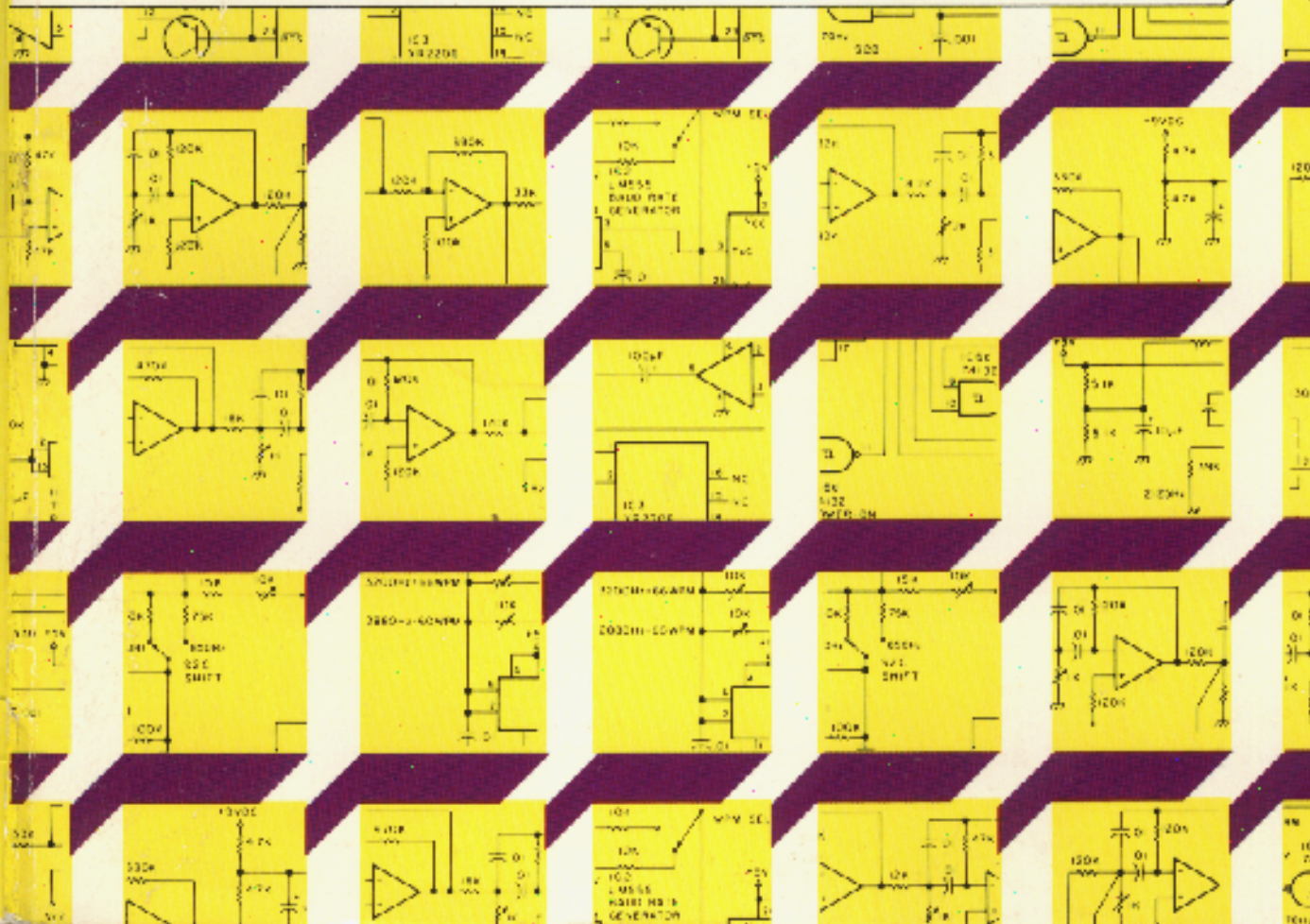


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# Introduction

This volume of timely and practical circuits highlights the creative work of many people. Featured here are many circuits that appeared only briefly in some of our finer periodicals or limited-circulation publications. Also included are other useful and unique circuits from more readily available sources.

The source for each circuit is given in the sources section at the back of the book. The bold figure number that appears inside the box of each circuit is the key to the source. For example, the High Stability Voltage Reference circuit shown below is Fig. 93-10. If you turn to the Sources section and look for Fig. 93-10 you will find that Precision Monolithics supplied this circuit from p. 6-142 of their Full Line Catalog.

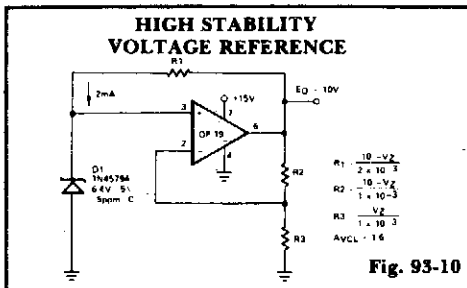


Fig. 93-9: Reprinted with the permission of National Semiconductor Corp. Transistor Databook, 1982, p. 11-25.

Fig. 93-10: Precision Monolithics Incorporated, 1981 Full Line Catalog, p. 6-142.

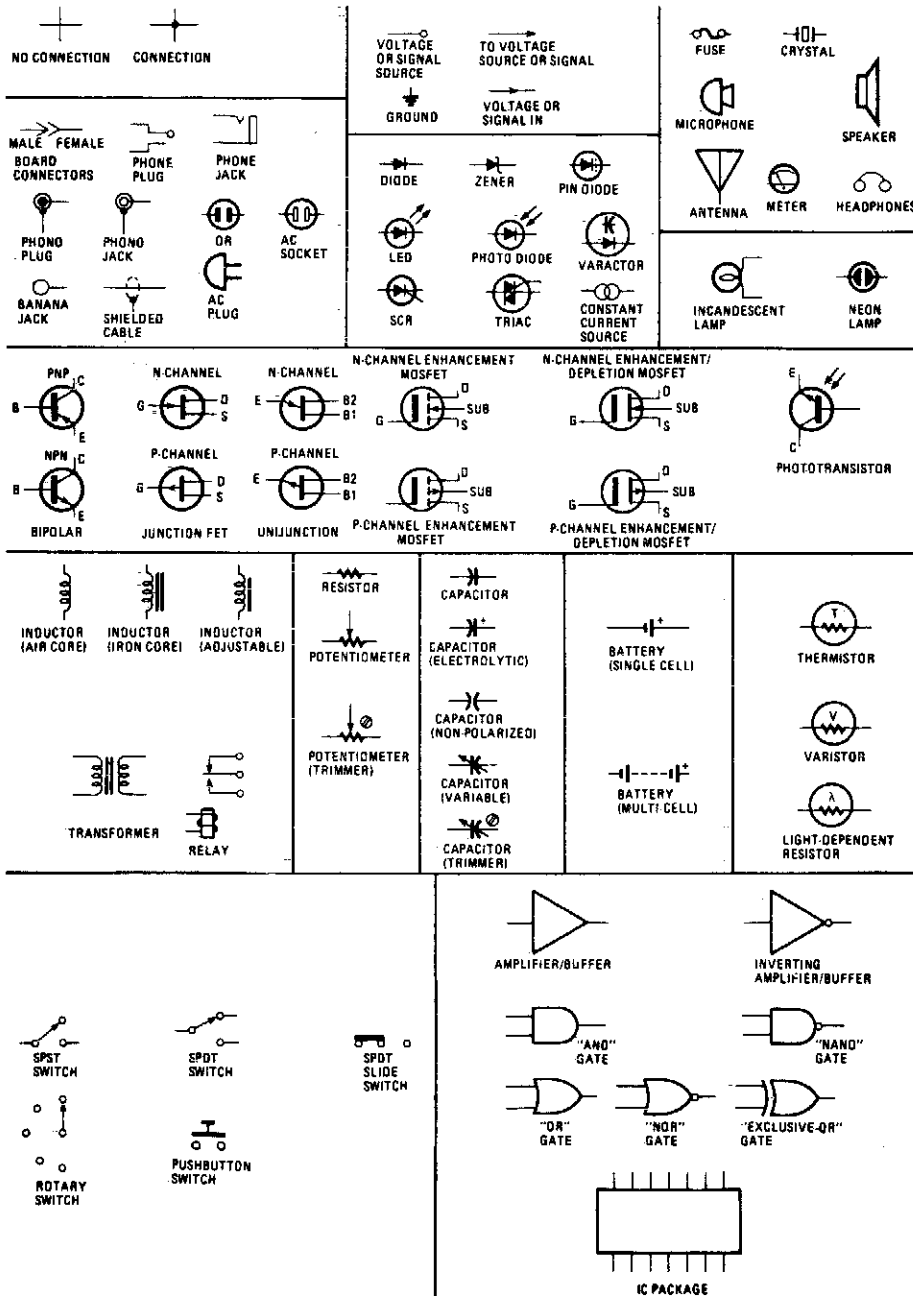
Fig. 93-11: Precision Monolithics Incorporated, 1981 Full Line Catalog, p. 10-18.

Many circuits are accompanied by a brief explanatory text. Those that do not have text can be readily understood from similar circuits in that chapter, or else they may be too complex to be explained briefly. The sparseness of text is deliberate so as to allow for more circuits which, after all, is what this book is all about.

The Index and Contents will be a time saver for the reader who knows exactly what he is looking for. The first page of each chapter lists the circuits in the order that they appear. The browser will surely discover many ideas and circuits that may well turn out to be most rewarding and great fun to put together.

The Common Schematic Symbols chart will help you identify circuit components.

# Common Schematic Symbols





# 1

## Alarms

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Computalarm                              | Blown Fuse Alarm  |
| Automotive Burglar Alarm                 | Auto Burglar Alarm  |
| Security Alarm                           | Continuous-Tone 2 kHz Buzzer with Bridge Drive, Gated on by a Logic-0 |
| Vehicle Security System                  | Pulsed-Tone Alarm, Gated by a High Input, with Direct-Drive Output    |
| Home Security Monitor System             | Piezoelectric Alarm   |
| Antitheft Device                         | Gated 2 kHz Buzzer  |
| Auto Burglar Alarm                       | Burglar Alarm   |
| Tamper-Proof Burglar Alarm               | Latching Burglar Alarm  |
| Latching Burglar Alarm                   | Sun - Powered Alarm   |
| Motion-Activated Motorcycle or Car Alarm |   |
| Boat Alarm                               |   |
|  | Freezer Meltdown Alarm  |

## COMPUTALARM

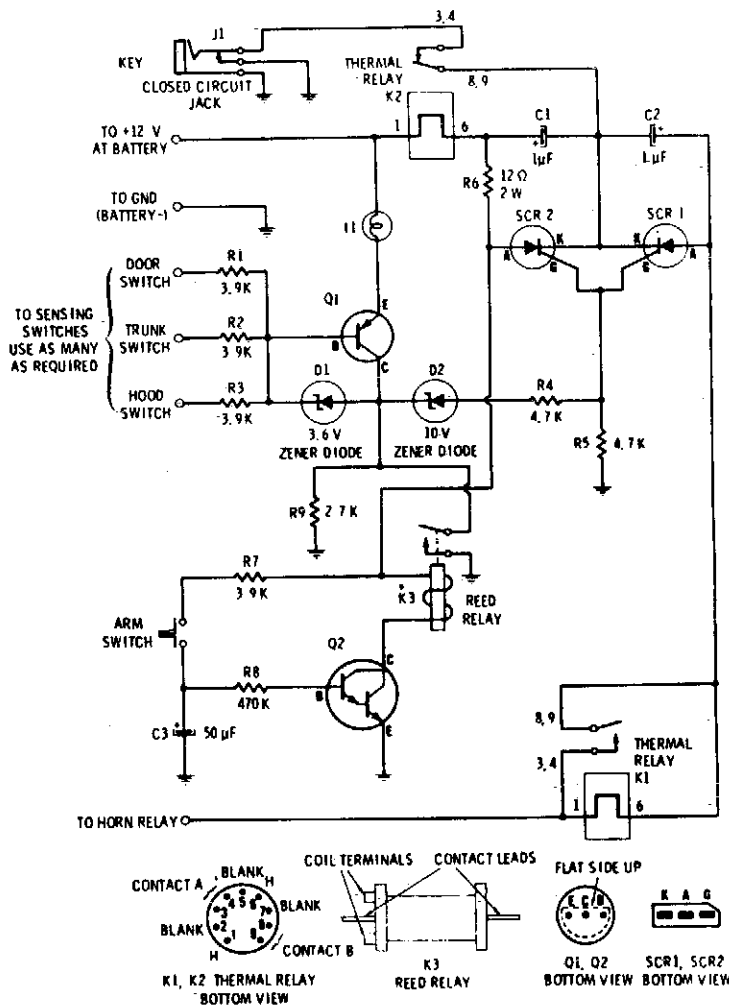


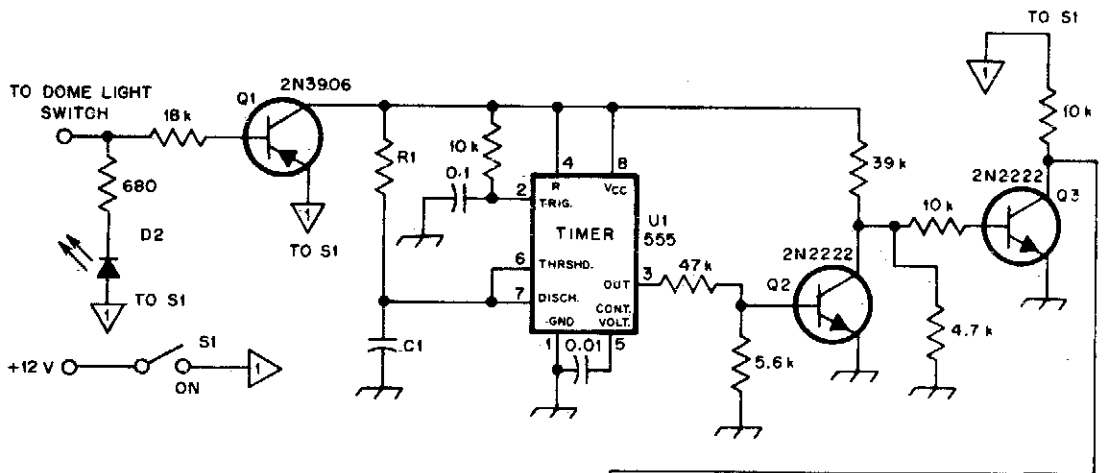
Fig. 1-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit has a built-in, self-arming feature. The driver turns off the ignition, presses the arm button on the Computalarm, and leaves the car. Within 20 seconds, the alarm arms itself—all automatically! The circuit will then detect the opening of any monitored door, the trunk lid, or the hood on the car. Once activated, the circuit remains dormant for 10 seconds. When the 10-second time delay has run out, the circuit will close the car's horn relay and sound the horn in periodic blasts (approx-

mately 1 to 2 seconds apart) for a period of one minute. Then the Computalarm automatically shuts itself off (to save your battery) and re-arms. If a door, the trunk lid, or the hood remains ajar, the alarm circuit retriggers and another period of horn blasts occurs. The Computalarm has a "key" switch by which the driver can disarm the alarm circuit within a 10-second period after he enters the door. The key switch consists of a closed circuit jack, J1, and a mating miniature plug.

## AUTOMOTIVE BURGLAR ALARM



EXCEPT AS INDICATED, DECIMAL VALUES OF CAPACITANCE ARE IN MICROFARADS ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); OTHERS ARE IN PICOFARADS (pF OR  $\mu\text{pF}$ ); RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS; k = 1000, M = 1000 000

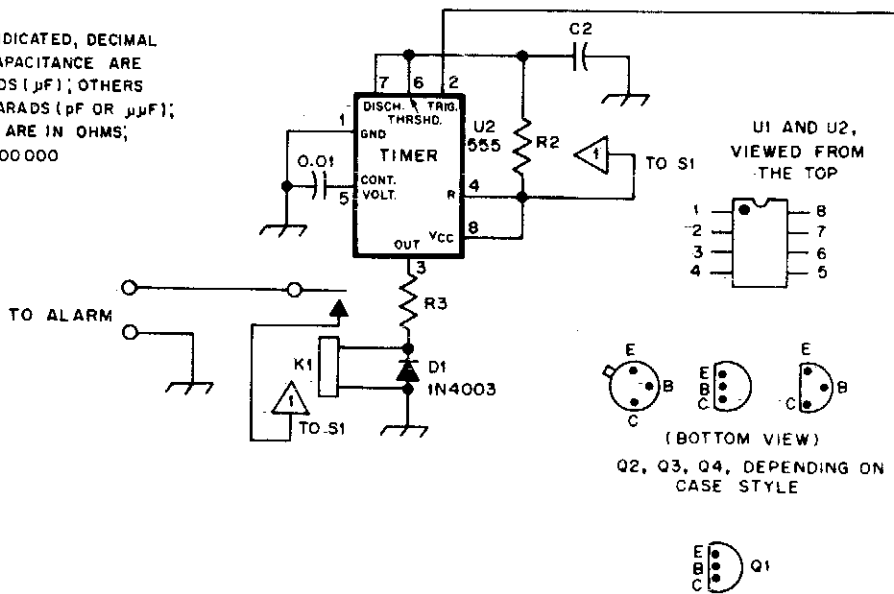
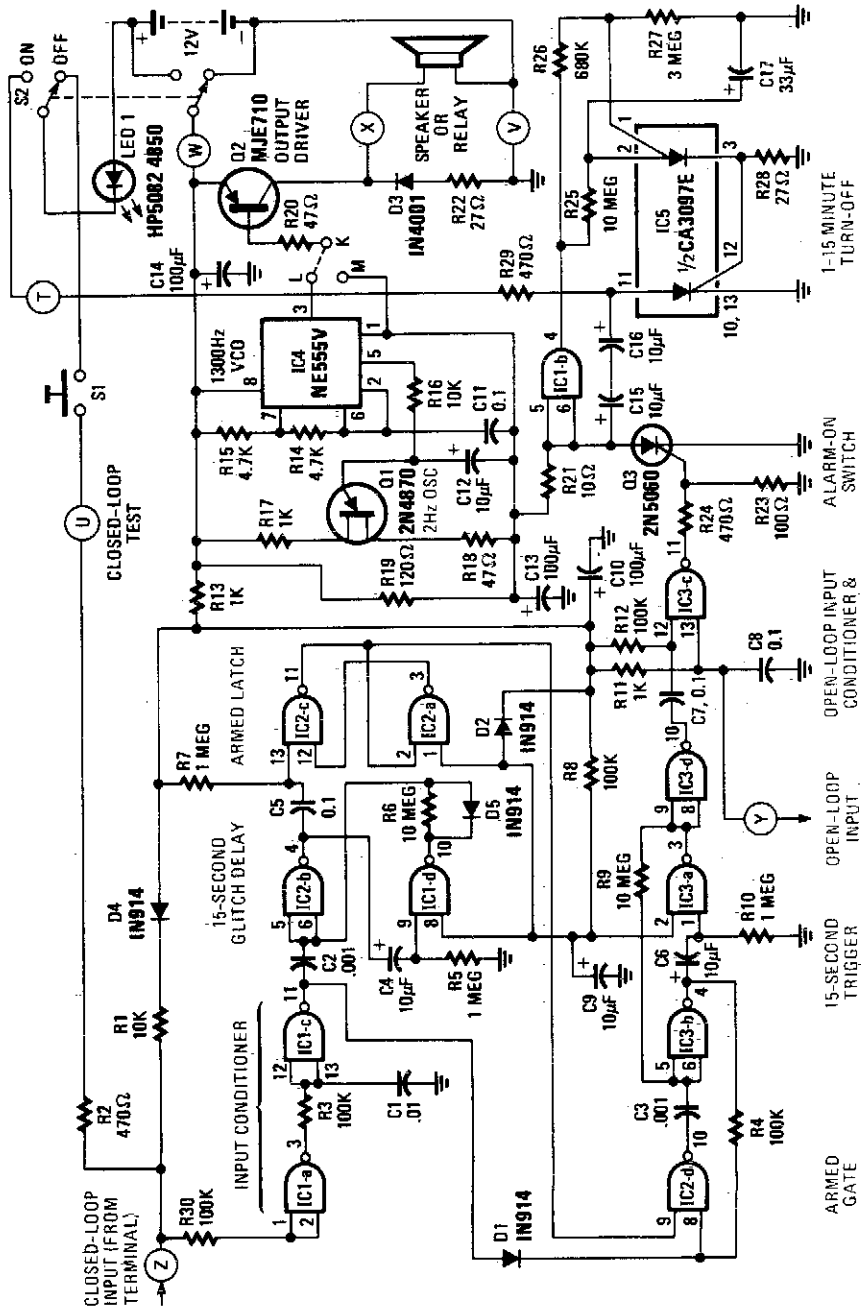


Fig. 1-2

### Circuit Notes

Alarm triggers on after a 13 second delay and stays on for 1-1½ minutes. Then it resets automatically. It can also be turned off and reset by opening and reclosing S1.

# SECURITY ALARM



IC1, 2, 3 - CD4011 QUAD 2-INPUT NAND GATES

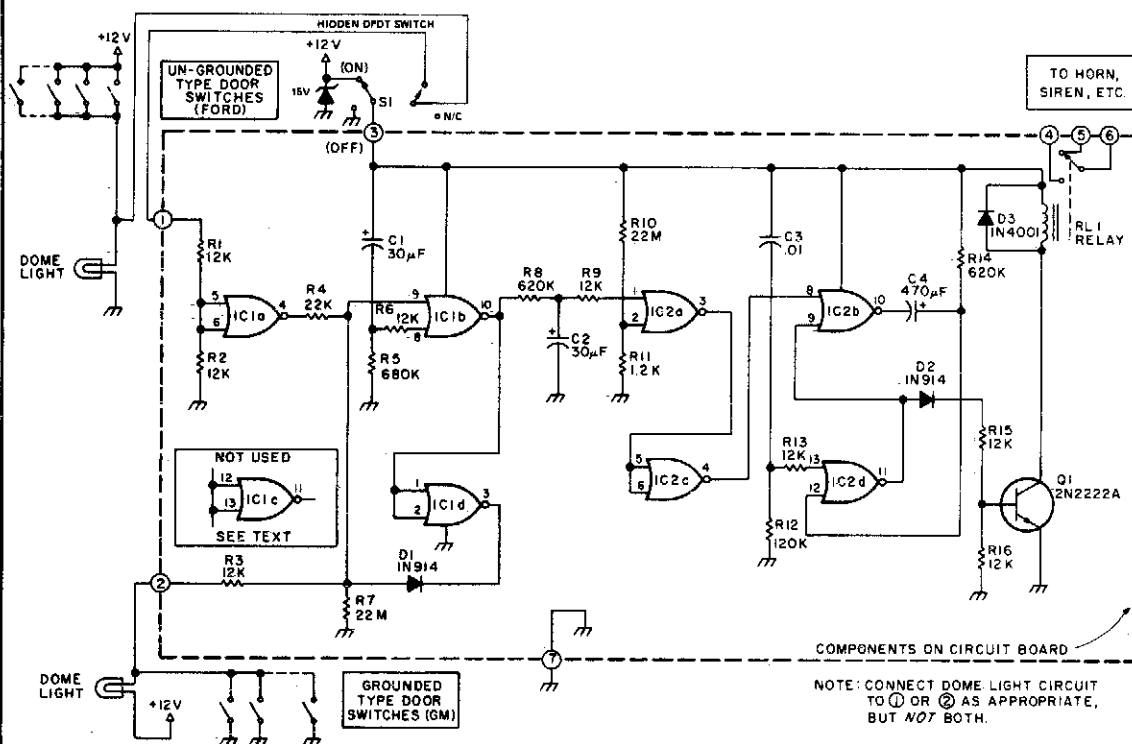
## Circuit Notes

This alarm features open- and closed-loop detector and automatic alarm shutoff. Offers 15 second exit/entrance delay. Alarm on time can be adjusted from 1 to 15 minutes.

Fig. 1-3



## VEHICLE SECURITY SYSTEM

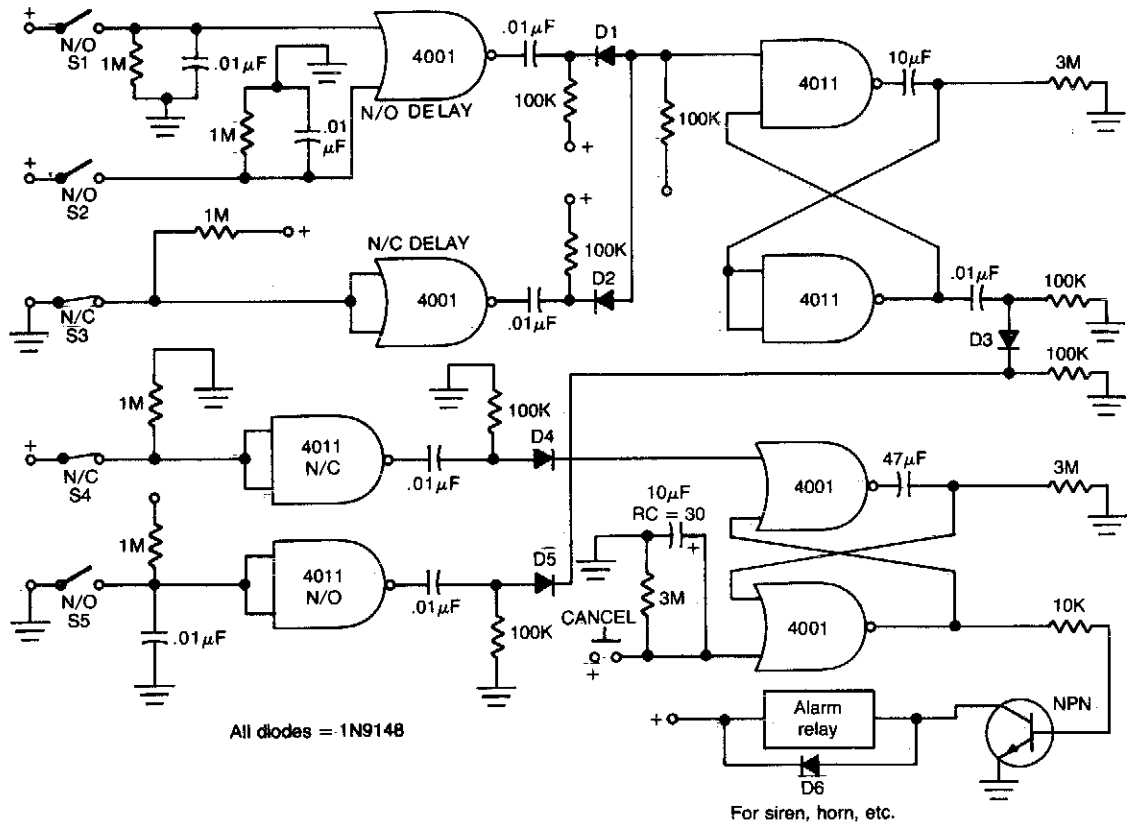


**Fig. 1-4**

### Circuit Notes

This alarm gives a 15-20 second exit and entrance delay. After being triggered, the alarm sounds for five minutes and then shuts off. Once triggered, the sequence is automatic and is not affected by subsequent opening or closing of doors.

## HOME SECURITY MONITOR SYSTEM



**Fig. 1-5**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides normally open (NO) and normally closed (NC) contacts S1, S2, and S3 to turn on the alarm after a 30 second delay. S4 and S5 operate instantly. The CANCEL switch resets the alarm.



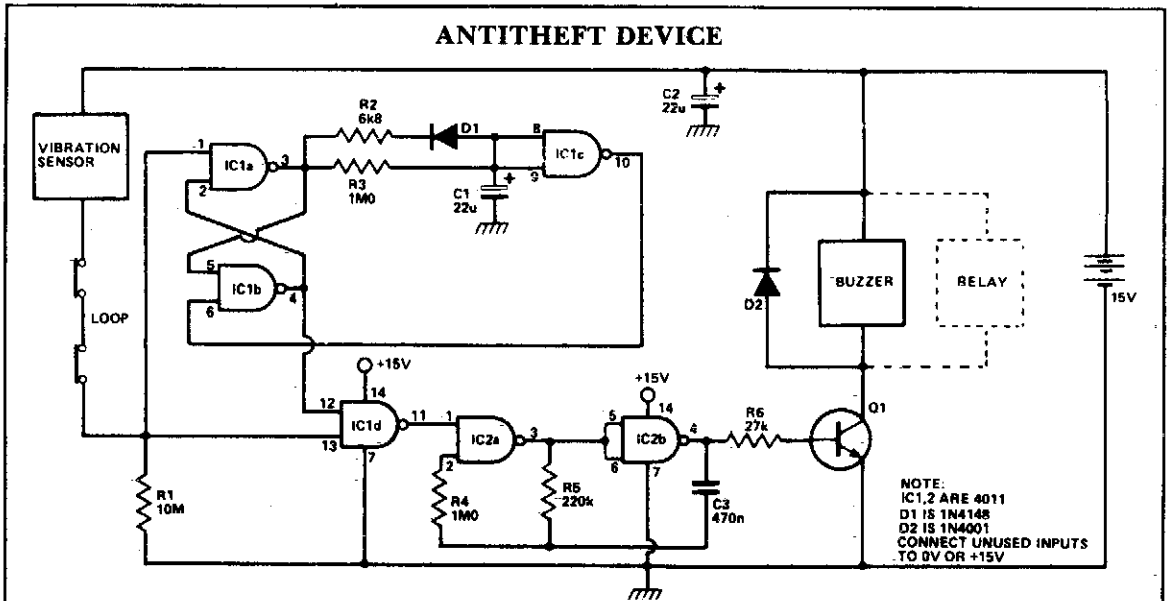


Fig. 1-6

#### Circuit Notes

Any momentary break in the protective loop or tripping of the normally closed vibration sensor, causes alarm to sound for 20 seconds. If the circuit is open all the time, the alarm will sound continuously.

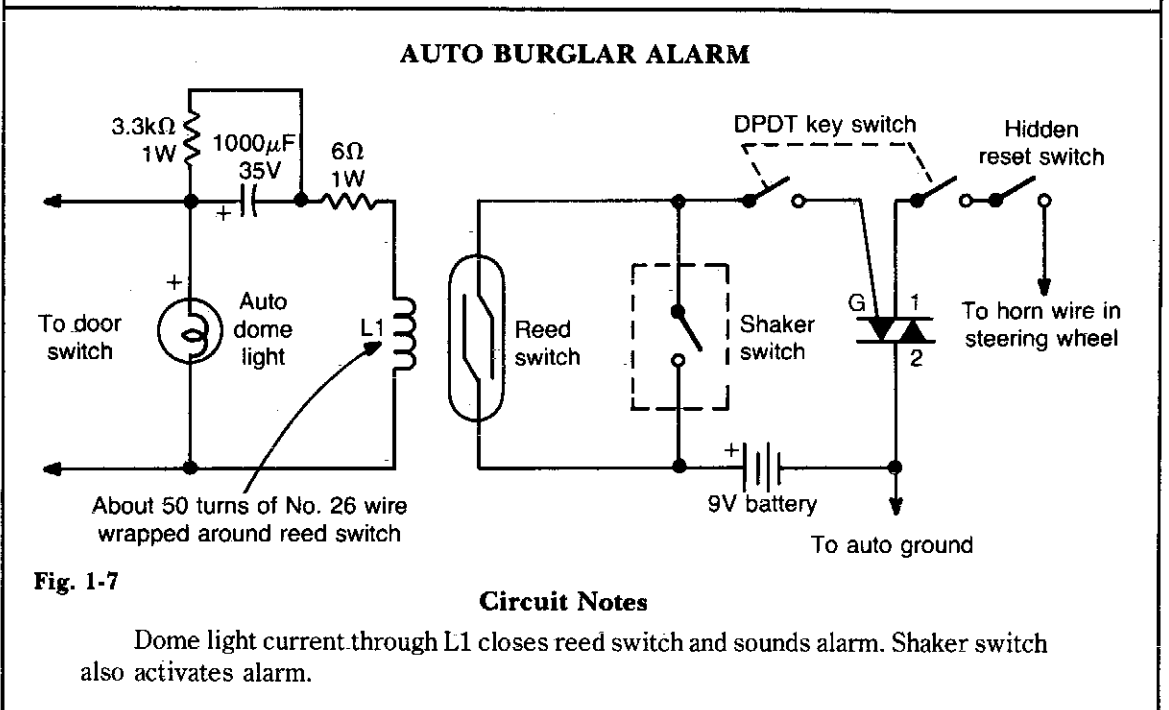
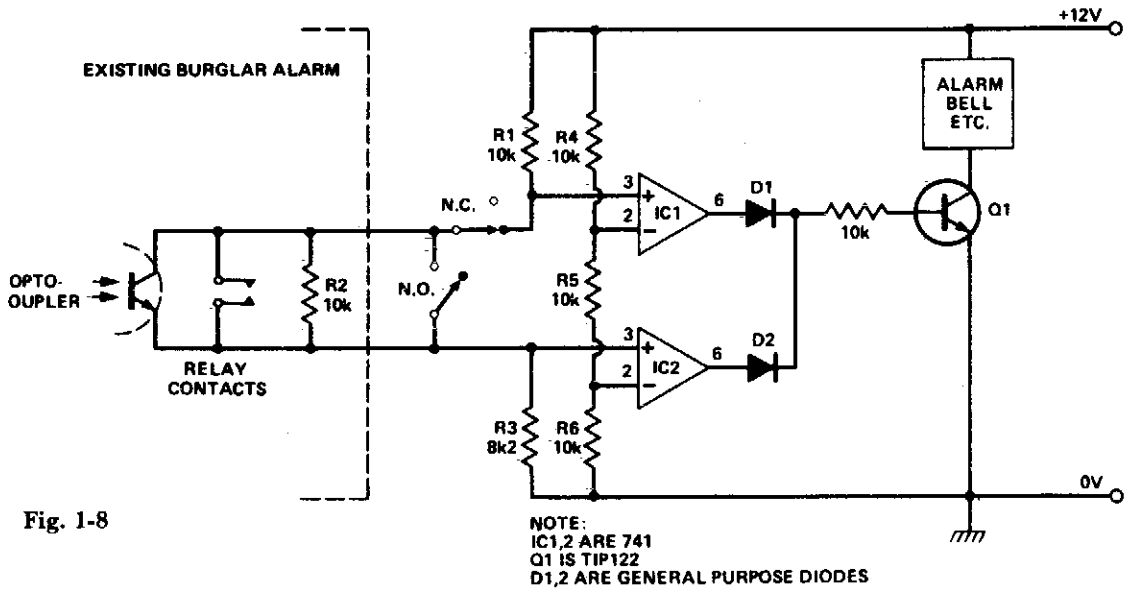


Fig. 1-7

#### Circuit Notes

Dome light current through L1 closes reed switch and sounds alarm. Shaker switch also activates alarm.

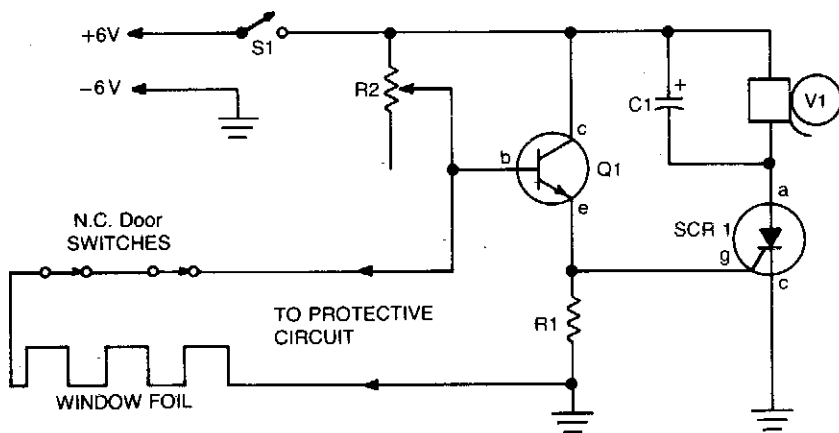
### TAMPER-PROOF BURGLAR ALARM



#### Circuit Notes

If R2 is opened or shorted, the alarm sounds.

### LATCHING BURGLAR ALARM

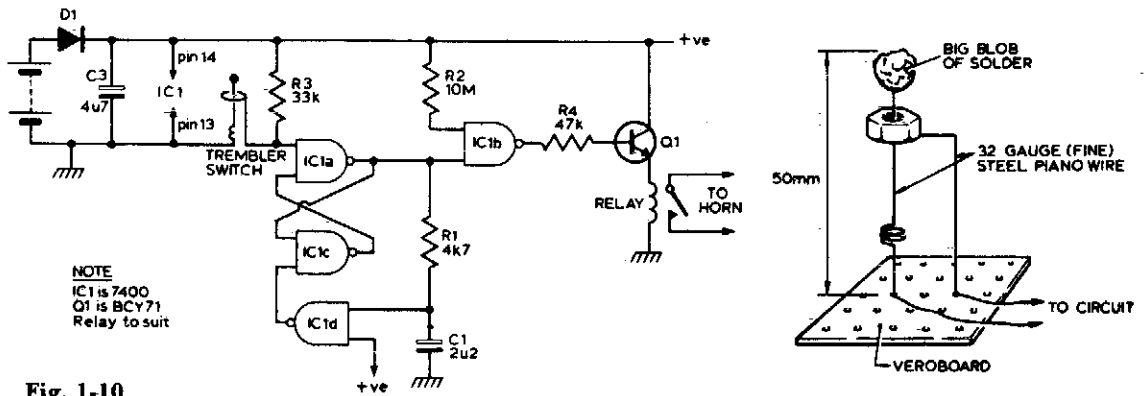


#### Circuit Notes

When the protective circuit is interrupted (opened), the alarm sounds. To set the circuit, adjust R2 (with protective circuit open) for 1 V. across R1.



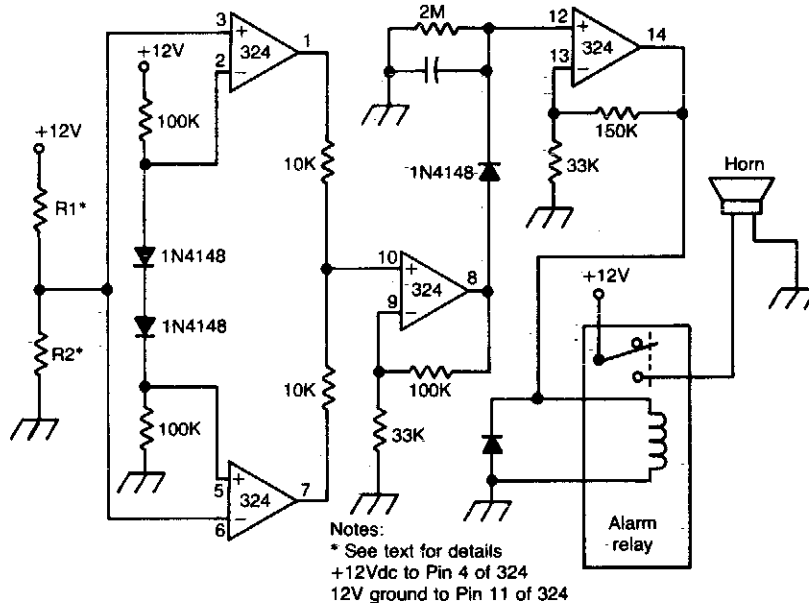
## MOTION-ACTIVATED MOTORCYCLE OR CAR ALARM



### Circuit Notes

Trembler (motion activated) switch sounds the alarm for 5 seconds. Then it goes off. Circuit is timed out for 10 seconds to allow the trembler switch to settle.

## BOAT ALARM



### Circuit Notes

Removing R1 or R2 from the circuit (i.e., the potential thief breaks a hidden wire that connects R1 to +12V and R2 to ground) activates the alarm for about five minutes.

### BLOWN-FUSE ALARM

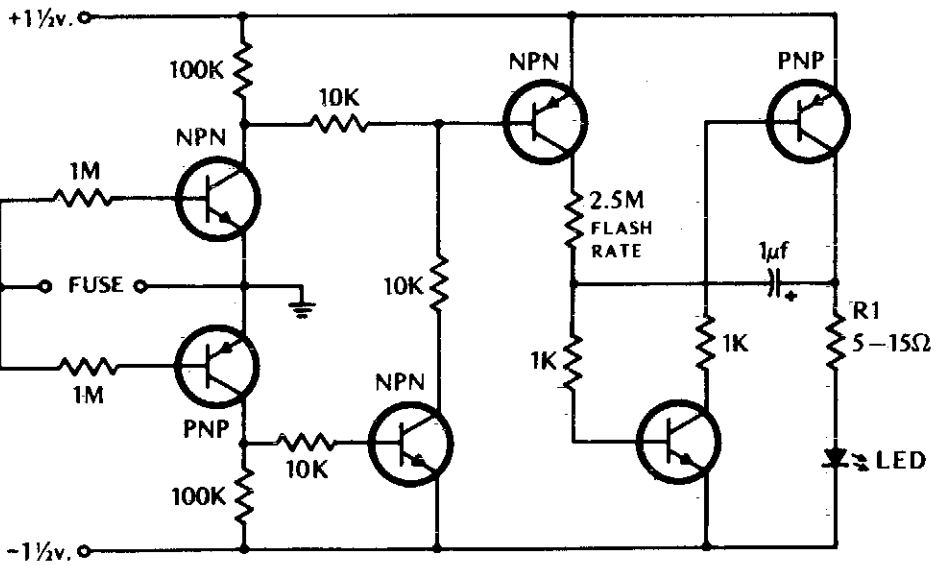


Fig. 1-12

#### Circuit Notes

If the fuse blows, the LED indicator starts to blink.

### AUTO BURGLAR ALARM

SHORT DURATION TIMERS ARE NEEDED  
TO ALLOW ENTRY AND EXIT

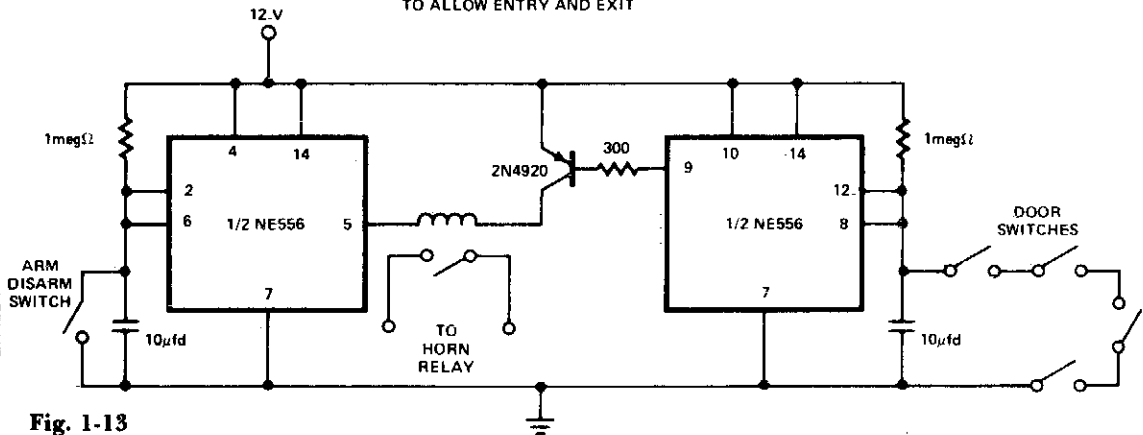


Fig. 1-13

**CONTINUOUS-TONE 2 kHz BUZZER  
WITH BRIDGE DRIVE, GATED ON BY A LOGIC 0**

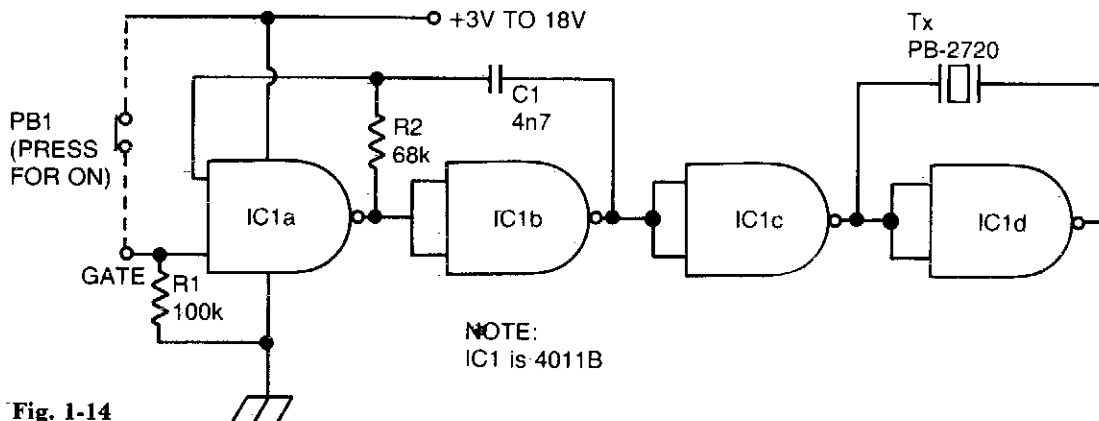


Fig. 1-14

**PULSED-TONE ALARM,  
GATED BY A HIGH INPUT,  
WITH DIRECT-DRIVE OUTPUT**

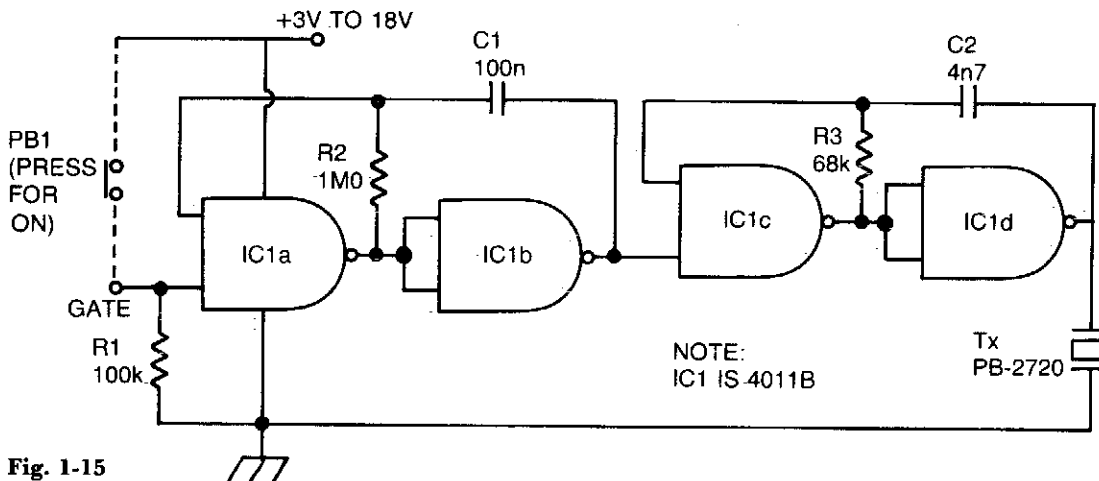


Fig. 1-15



### PIEZOELECTRIC ALARM

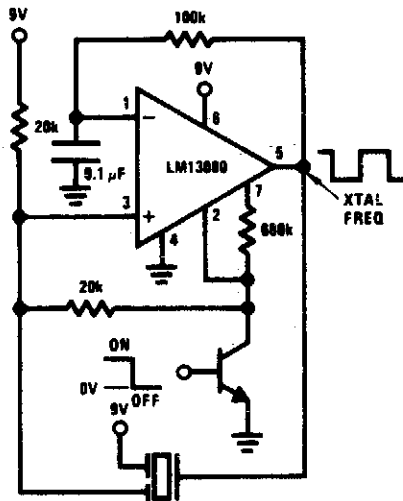


Fig. 1-16

### BURGLAR ALARM

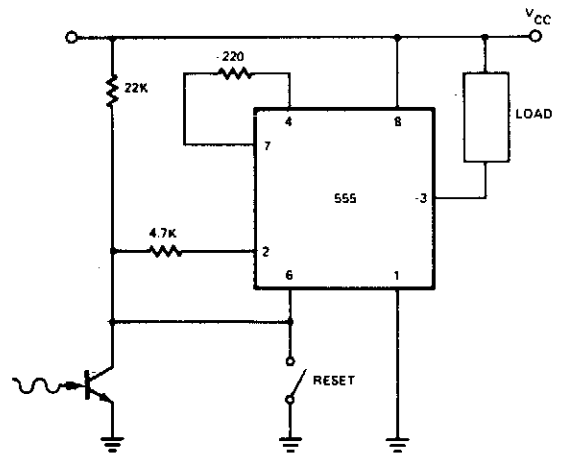


Fig. 1-18

### GATED 2 kHz BUZZER

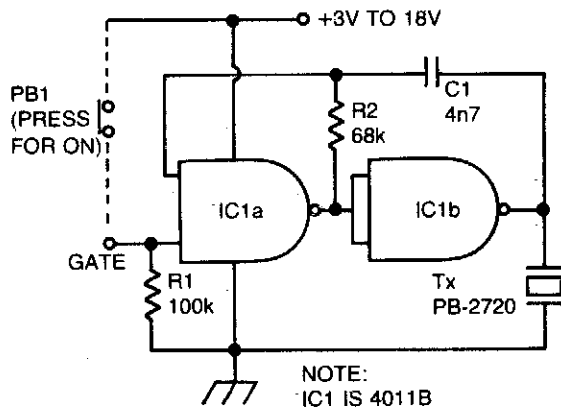


Fig. 1-17

### LATCHING BURGLAR ALARM

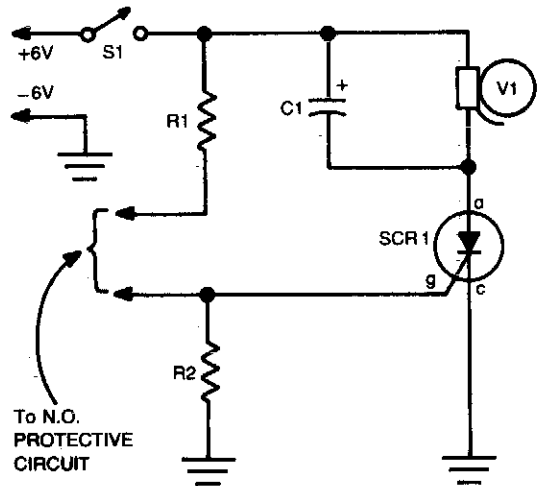


Fig. 1-19

#### Circuit Notes

Closing the protective circuit (i.e., R1 to R2) applies positive voltage to the gate of SCR1 and sounds the alarm. It can only be turned off with S1.

### SUN-POWERED ALARM

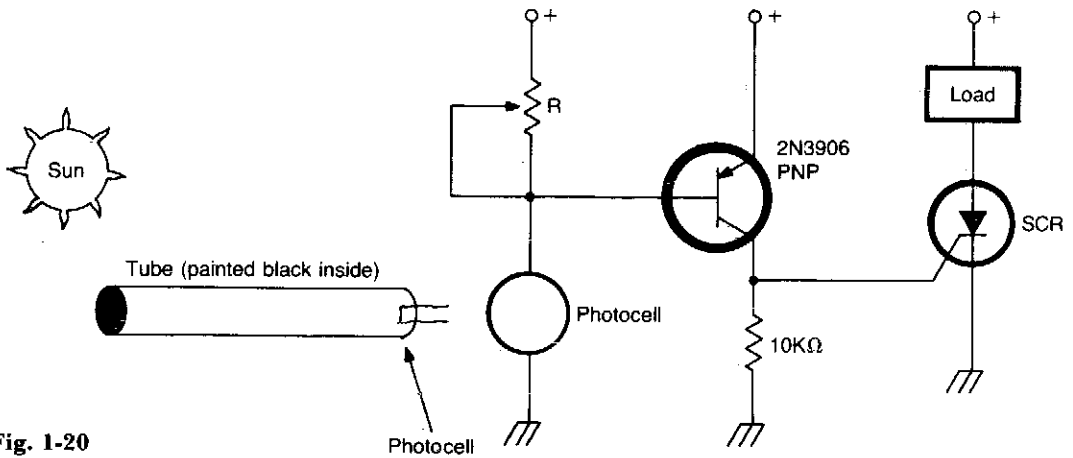


Fig. 1-20

#### Circuit Notes

Circuit turns on when light (sunlight) strikes photocell. Potentiometer R sets light level at which the alarm sounds. Painted tube (black on inside) may be used on photocell to aim at the sun.

### FREEZER MELTDOWN ALARM

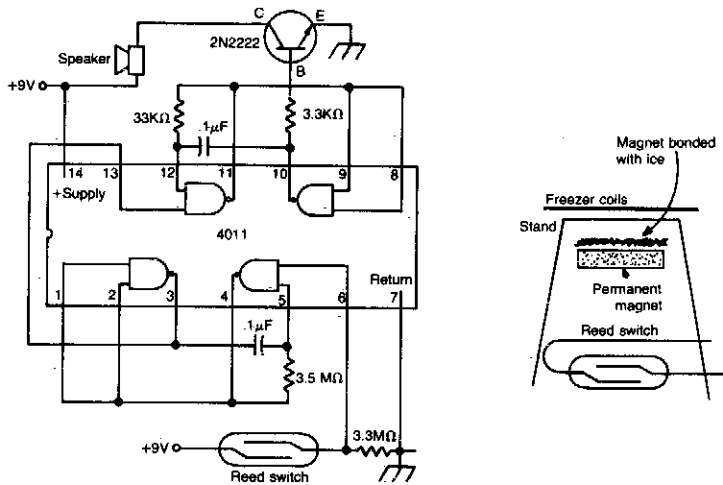


Fig. 1-21

#### Circuit Notes

The meltdown is a magnet held to a small stand by ice. A reed switch is below the magnet. When the ice melts, the magnet falls on the switch, closing it, and completing the alarm circuit.

## 2

# Amateur Radio

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Code Practice Oscillator Produces Automatic  
Dits and Dahs  
Rf Power Meter  
In-Line Wattmeter  
CW Signal Processor  
Two-Meter Preamplifier for Handitalkies  
Repeater Beeper  
Electronic Keyer  
Code Practice Oscillator  
Automatic Tape Recording

Self-Powered CW Monitor  
Remote Rf Current Readout  
Code Practice Oscillator  
SWR Warning Indicator  
Subaudible Tone Encoder  
Audio Mixers  
Rf Powered Sidetone Oscillator  
Harmonic Generator  
Automatic TTL Morse-Code Keyer  
Remote Rf Current Readout

## CODE-PRACTICE OSCILLATOR PRODUCES AUTOMATIC DITS AND DAHS

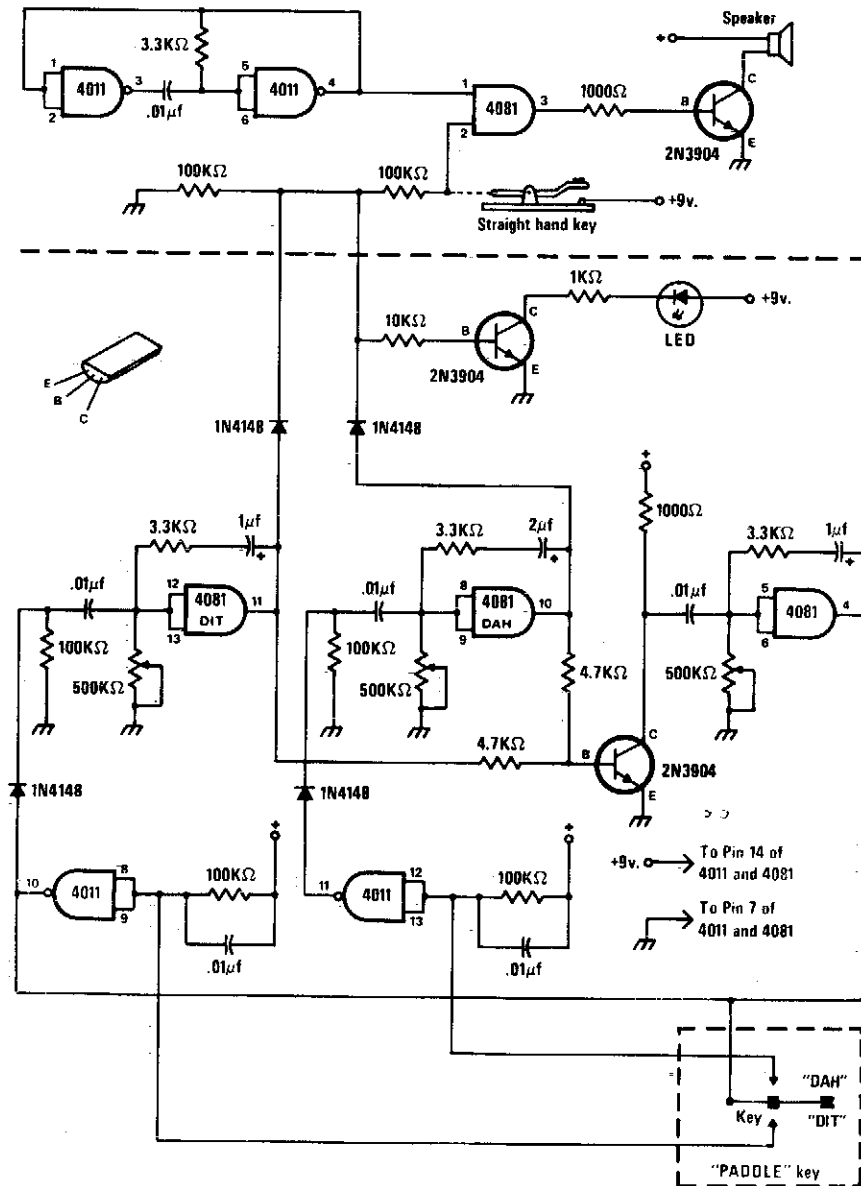


Fig. 2-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of a basic oscillator (above dashed line) and an automatic keyer (below dashed line). The unit can be used with a straight hand key or a paddle key for automatic operation.

## RF POWER METER

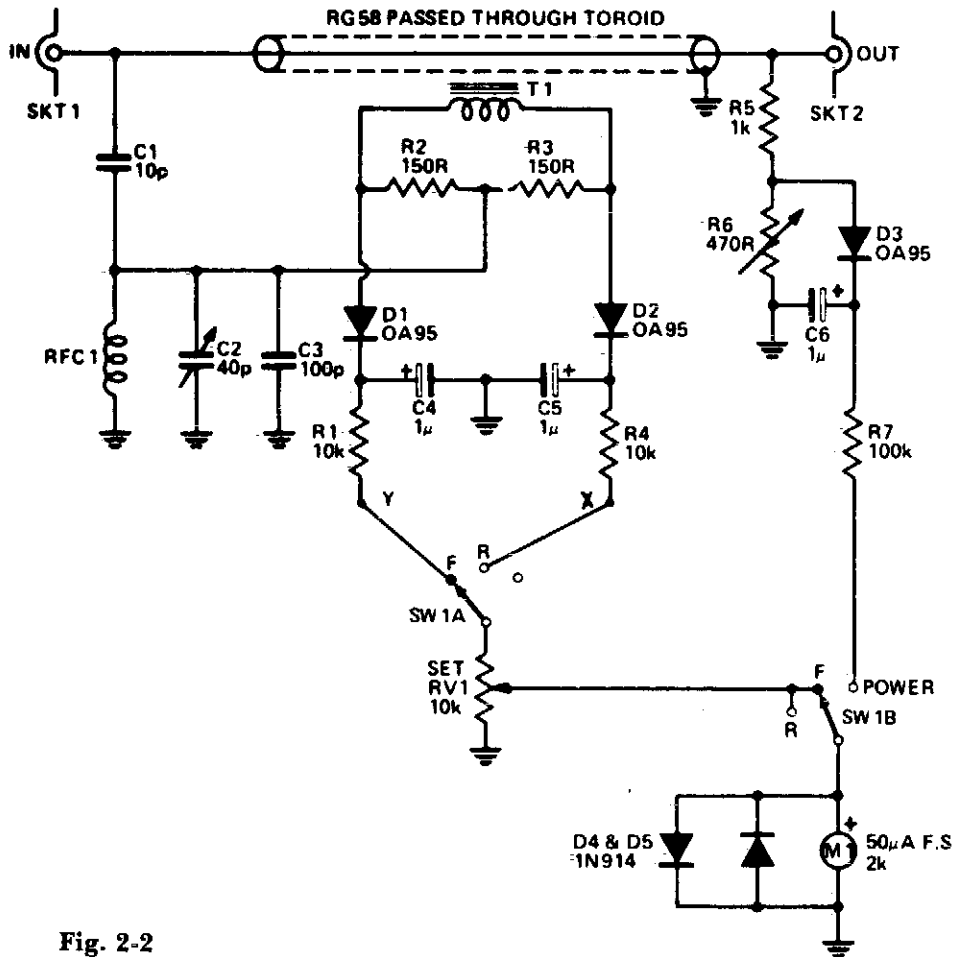
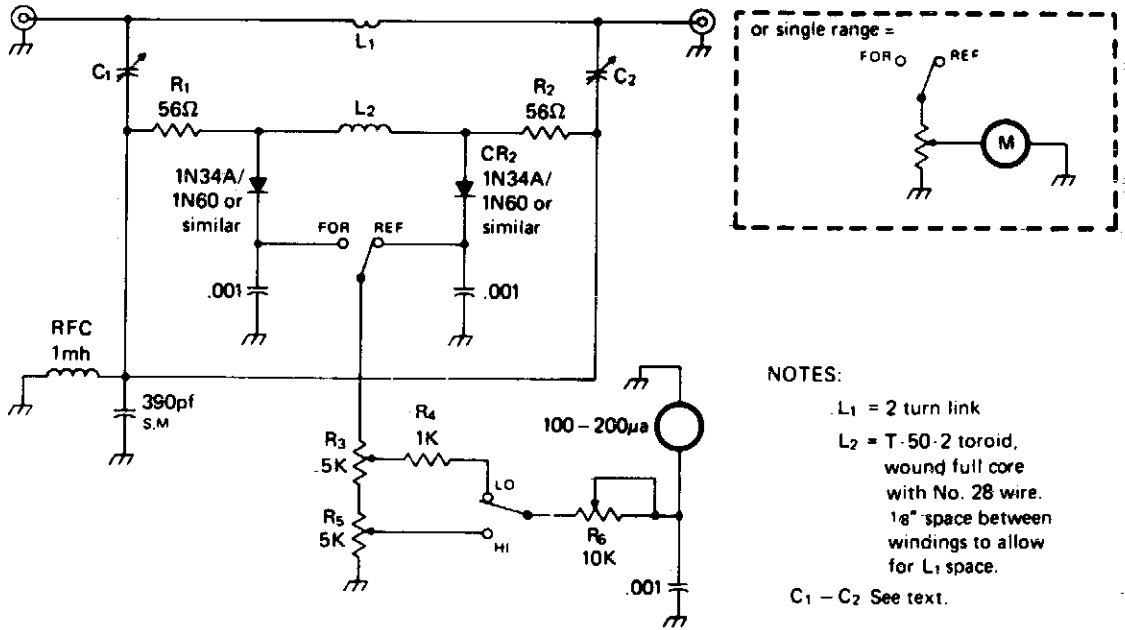


Fig. 2-2

### Circuit Notes

Reflectometer (SWR Power Meter) covers three decades—from 100 kHz to 100 MHz. It can be constructed for rf powers as low as 500 mW or up to 500 watts.

## IN-LINE WATTMETER



**Fig. 2-3**

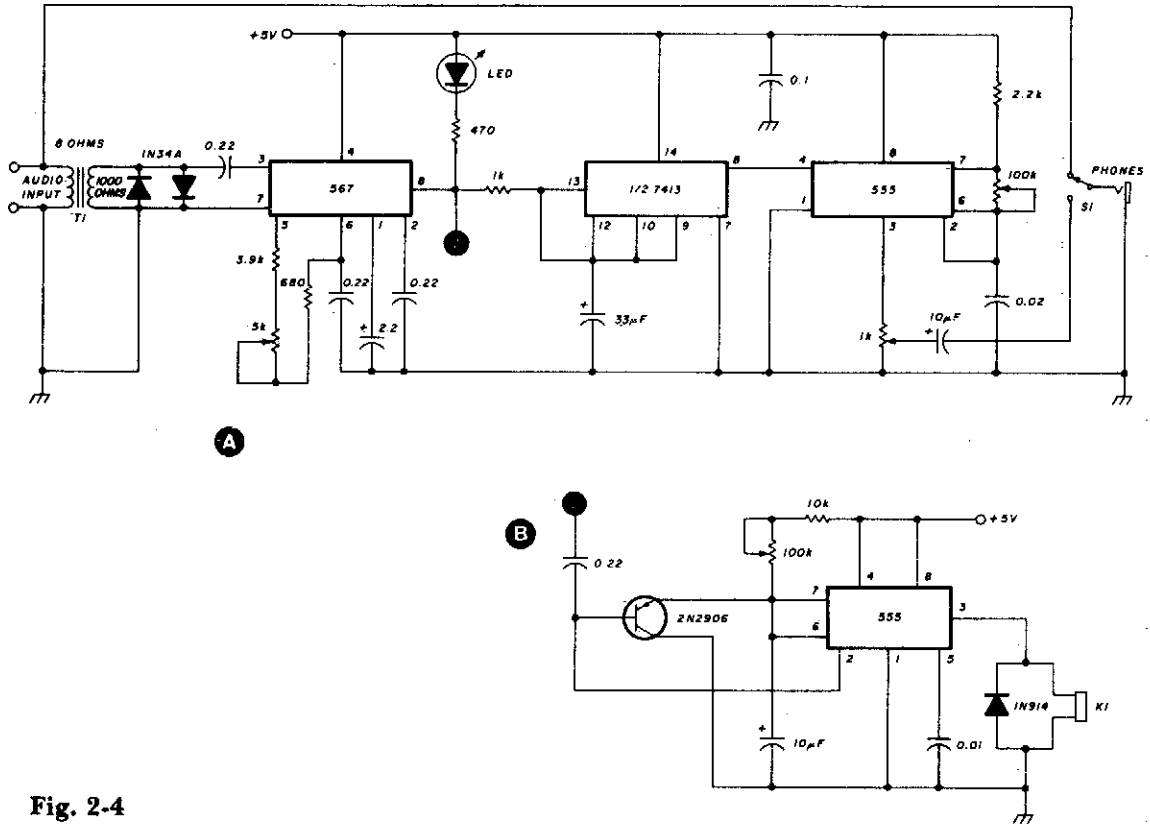
### Circuit Notes

The circuit is not frequency sensitive. Its calibration will be accurate over a wide frequency spectrum, such as the entire amateur hf spectrum, if the values of L<sub>2</sub>, the voltage divider capacitors C<sub>1</sub>-2 and C<sub>3</sub>, and the resistances of R<sub>1</sub>-2 are chosen properly. R<sub>1</sub>-2 and CR<sub>1</sub>-2 should be matched for best results. Generally, R<sub>1</sub>-2 must be small compared to the

reactance of L<sub>2</sub> so as to avoid any significant effect on the L<sub>2</sub> current which is induced by the transmission line current flowing through L<sub>1</sub>. The lower frequency limit of the bridge is set by the R<sub>1</sub>-R<sub>2</sub>/L<sub>s</sub> ratio, and the cutoff is at the point where the value of R<sub>1</sub>-R<sub>2</sub> becomes significant with reference to the reactance of L<sub>2</sub> at that frequency point.



## CW SIGNAL PROCESSOR



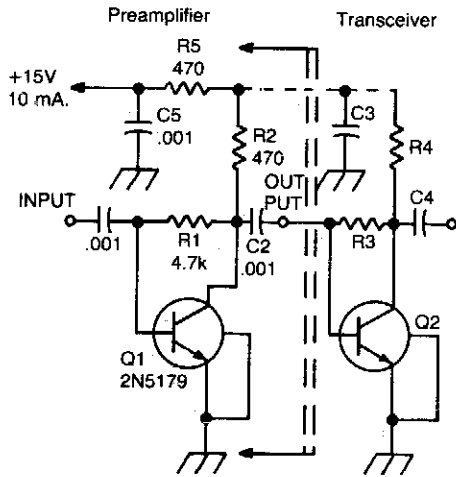
**Fig. 2-4**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides interference rejection for the CW operator. The 567 phase-locked loop is configured to respond to tones from 500 to 1100 Hz. The Schmitt trigger reduces the weighting effect caused by the output of the PLL remaining low after removal of the audio signal. Ten to 15 millivolts of audio acti-

vate the circuit. For periods of loss of signal, circuit B will automatically switch back to live receiver audio after a suitable delay. (If a relay with a 5-volt coil is not available, the circuit can also be powered from +12 volts.) When circuit B is used, the contacts on relay K1 replace S1.

## TWO-METER PREAMPLIFIER FOR HANDITALKIES



### Circuit Notes

This simple, inexpensive, wideband rf amplifier provides 14 dB gain on two meters without the use of tuned circuits.

Fig. 2-5

## REPEATER BEEPER

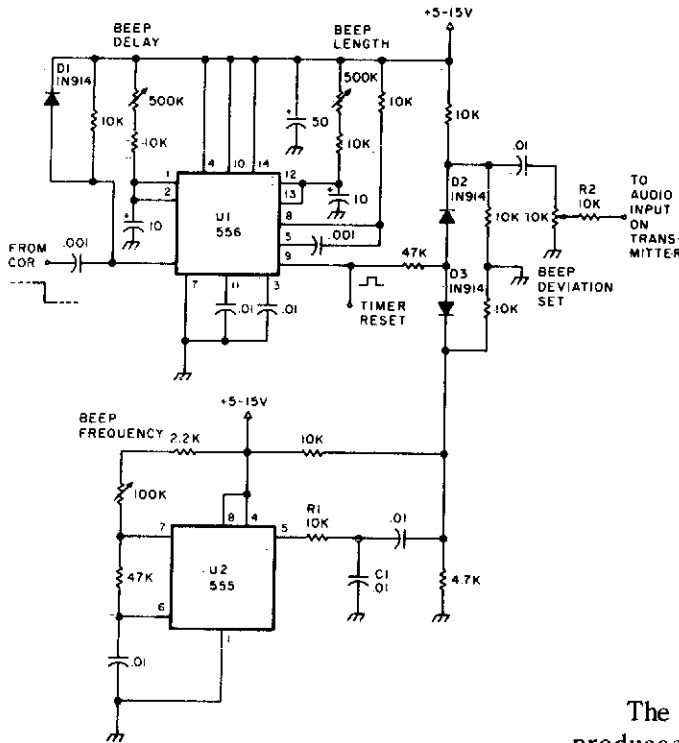


Fig. 2-6

### Circuit Notes

The signal from COR triggers U1 which produces a beep-gate pulse that enables the analog gate consisting of D2 and D3 to pass the beep tone generated by U2.

DELAY RANGE 0.15 TO 5 SECONDS  
 BURST RANGE 0.15 TO 5 SECONDS  
 TONE RANGE 500 TO 1400Hz

## ELECTRONIC KEYS

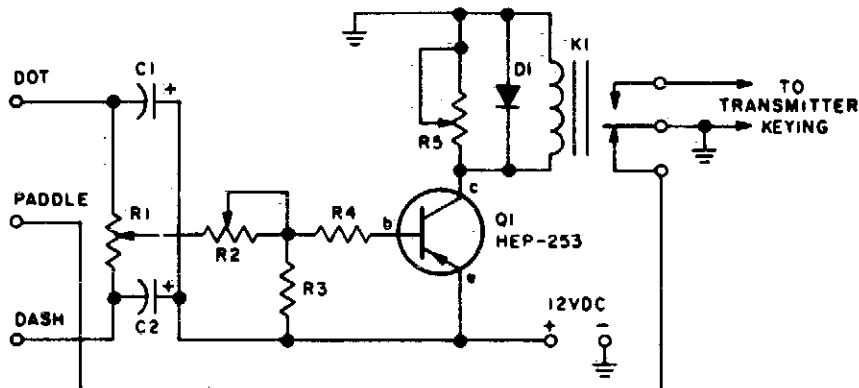


Fig. 2-7

### PARTS LIST FOR HAM'S KEYS

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p><b>C1</b>—3-<math>\mu</math>F, 6-VDC electrolytic capacitor</p> <p><b>C2</b>—10-<math>\mu</math>F, 6-VDC electrolytic capacitor</p> <p><b>D1</b>—1N60 diode</p> <p><b>K1</b>—12-VDC relay</p> | <p><b>Q1</b>—HEP-253 pnp transistor</p> <p><b>R1</b>—10,000-ohm linear potentiometer</p> <p><b>R2</b>—50,000-ohm potentiometer</p> <p><b>R3</b>—1200-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor</p> <p><b>R4</b>—560-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor</p> <p><b>R5</b>—5000-ohm potentiometer</p> |
|--|---|

### Circuit Notes

This circuit automatically produces Morse code dots and dashes set by time constants involving C1 and C2. R1 sets dot/dash ratio and R2 sets the speed. R5 sets the relay drop-out point.

## CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

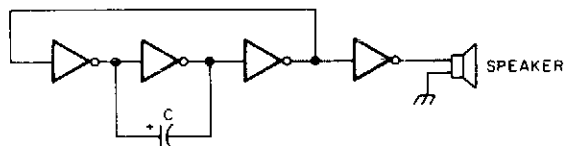
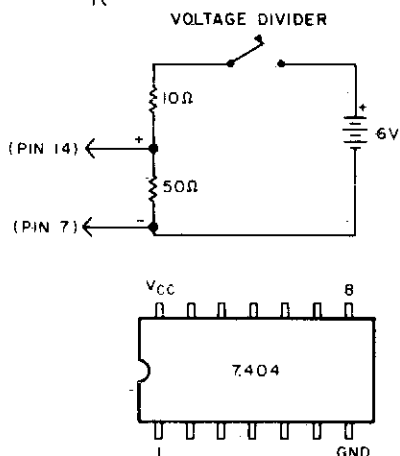


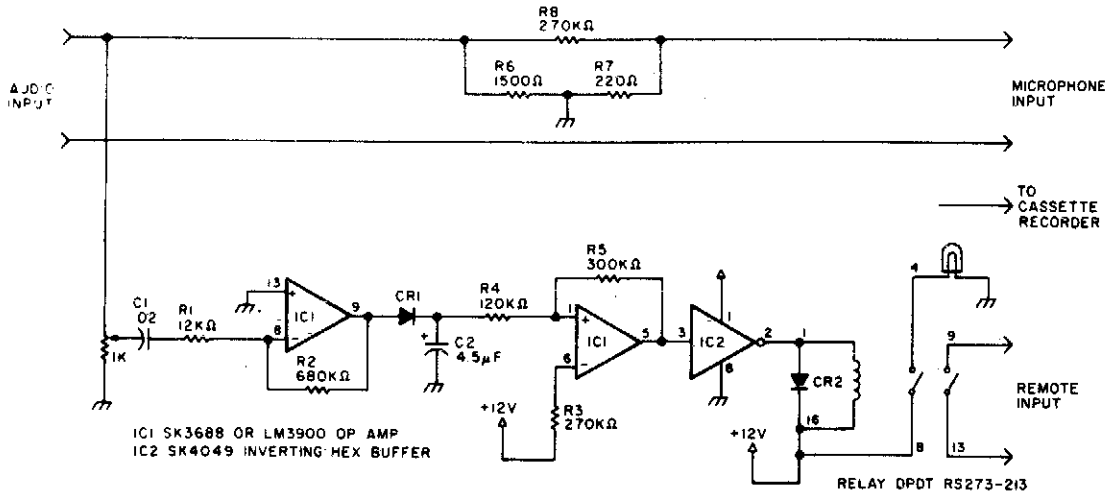
Fig. 2-8



### Circuit Notes

This simple cpo uses the 7404 low-power Schottky hex inverter. C is a 5- to 30- $\mu$ F electrolytic selected for the desired pitch. The speaker is a 2-inch, 8-ohm unit.

## AUTOMATIC TAPE RECORDING

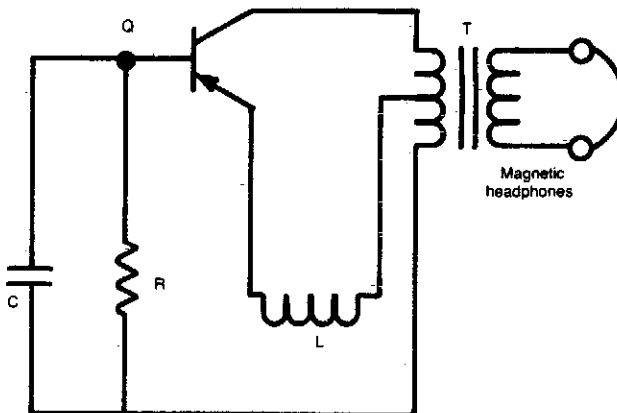


**Fig. 2-9**

### Circuit Notes

Amateurs don't have to miss the action while away from the rig. This circuit turns on a tape recorder whenever the receiver's squelch is broken. After signal loss, the recorder will shut off following a slight delay.

## SELF-POWERED CW MONITOR



**Fig. 2-10**

### Circuit Notes

Position L near the transmitter output tank to hear the key-down tone. Then tape the coil in place. C = .047  $\mu$ F, R = 8.2 K, Q = HEP 253 (or equal), T = 500: 500 ohm center tapped transformer. L = 2 to 6 turns on  $\frac{1}{2}$ " coil form.

## REMOTE RF CURRENT READOUT

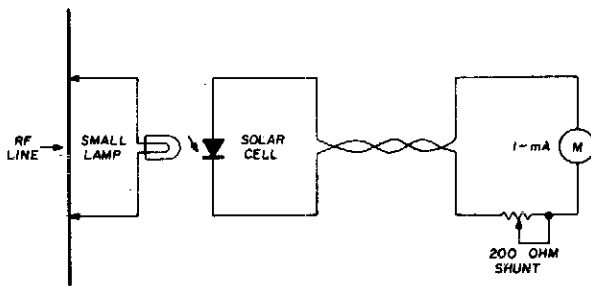


Fig. 2-11

### Circuit Notes

A suitable pilot lamp is illuminated by a small sample of rf and energizes an inexpensive solar cell; the dc current generated by the cell is a measure of relative rf power, and may be routed to a low-current meter located at any convenient point. A sensitive, low-current pilot lamp is desirable to cause minimum disturbance to normal rf circuit conditions. The number 48 or 49, 60 mA lamp is suitable for use with transmitters above 1-watt output.

## CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

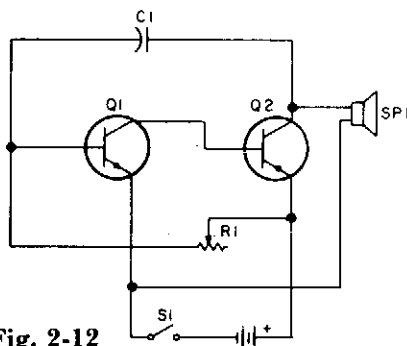


Fig. 2-12

### Circuit Notes

Oscillator, works with 2 to 12 Vdc (but 9 to 12 volts gives best volume and clean keying). R1 can be replaced with a 500 K pot and the circuit will sweep the entire audio frequency range.

## SWR WARNING INDICATOR

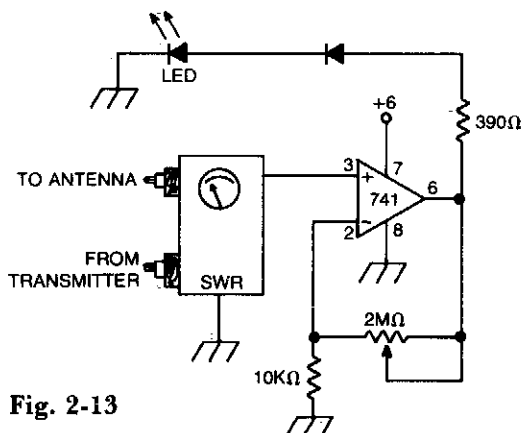
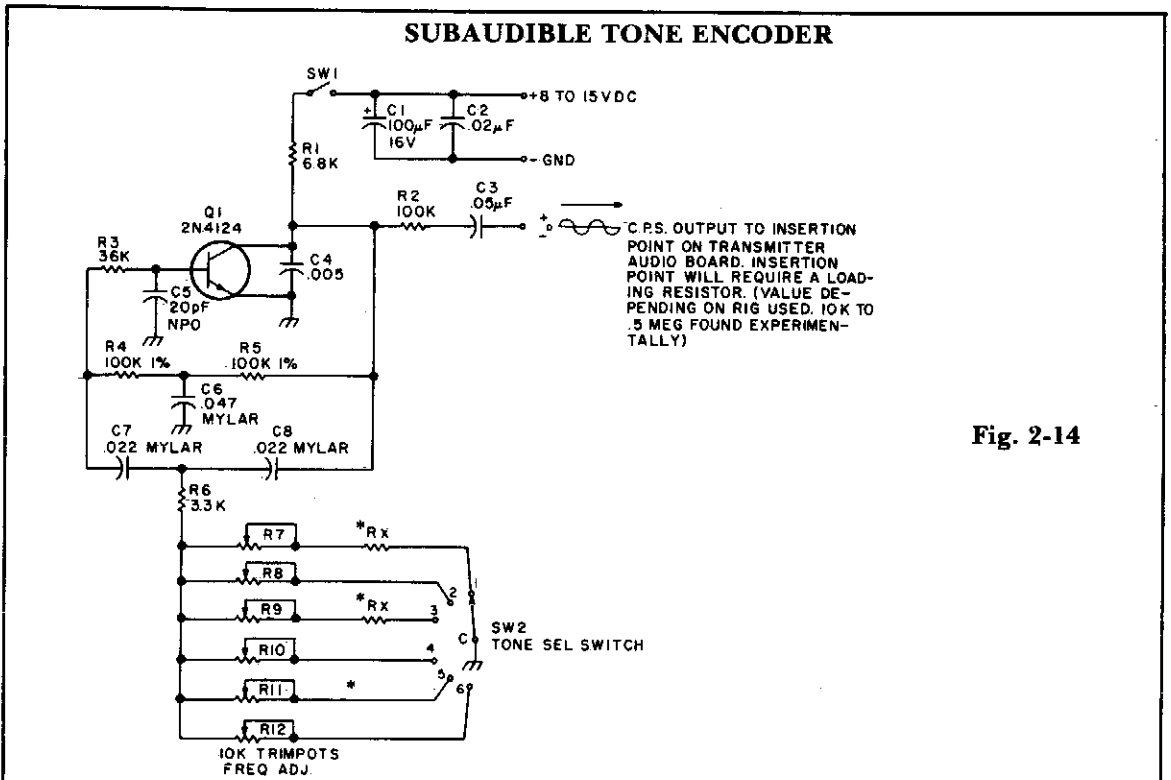


Fig. 2-13

### Circuit Notes

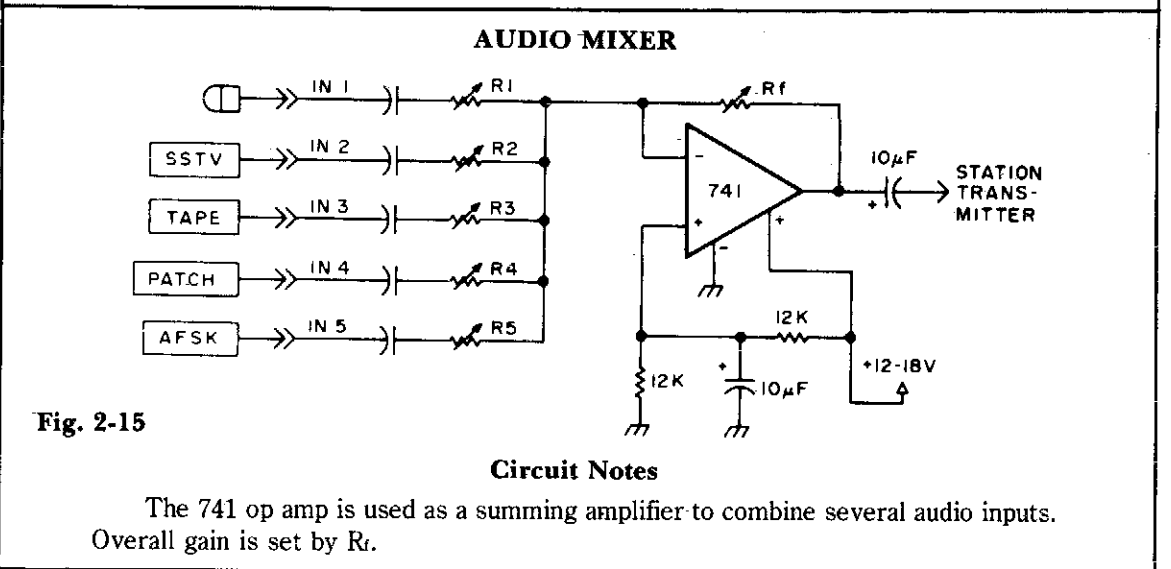
Op amp with dc input from SWR meter can be adjusted to preset the SWR reading at which the LED lights.



**Fig. 2-14**

#### Circuit Notes

This twin-T oscillator produces six preset subaudible tones from 93 to 170 Hz in three ranges.



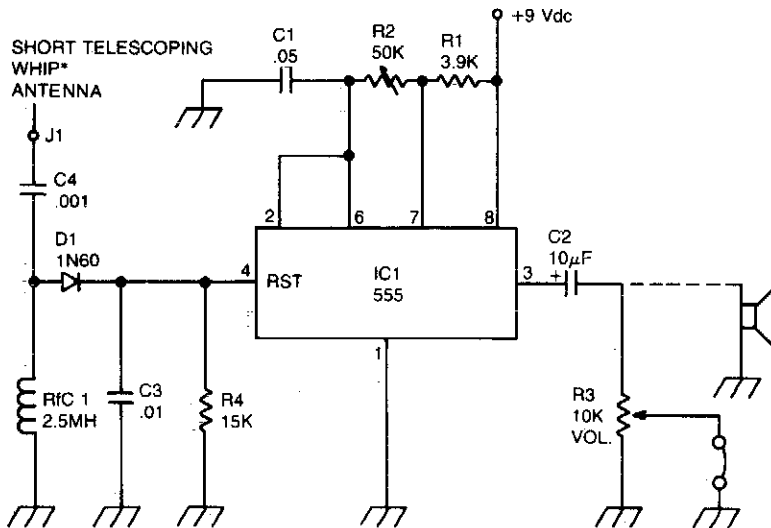
**Fig. 2-15**

#### Circuit Notes

The 741 op amp is used as a summing amplifier to combine several audio inputs. Overall gain is set by  $R_f$ .



## RF-POWERED SIDETONE OSCILLATOR



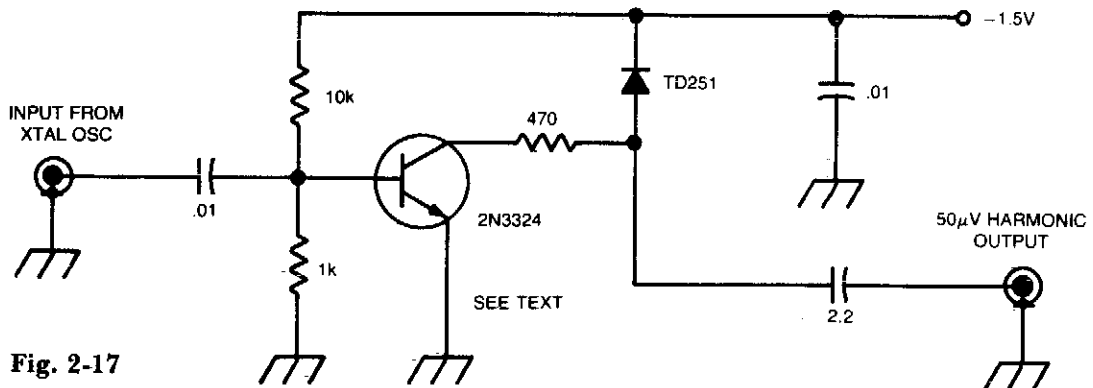
**Fig. 2-16**

\*PORTABLE RADIO REPLACEMENT TYPE

### Circuit Notes

A sidetone oscillator is a special audio astable multivibrator. Keying is accomplished by applying a positive dc potential, developed from the rf signal, to the reset terminal of the oscillator that is turned on and off with the transmitter. The oscillator is rf-driven and battery operated. It uses a 555 IC timer as an 555.

## HARMONIC GENERATOR

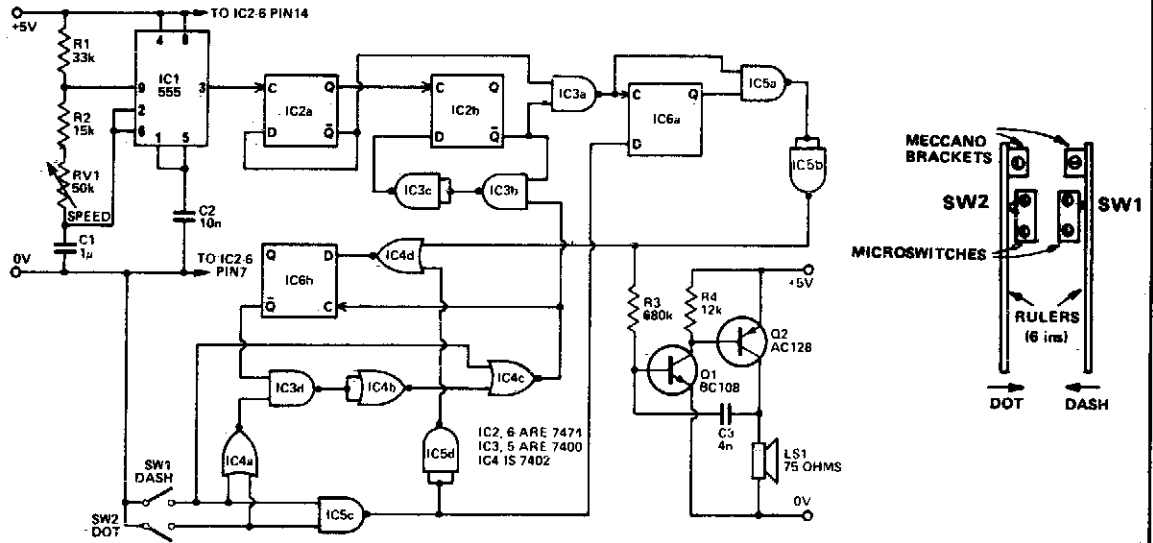


**Fig. 2-17**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit will produce  $50\ \mu\text{V}$  harmonics through 1296 MHz with an input of 0.15-1 V from a 100 or 1000 kHz crystal oscillator. With a germanium diode instead of a tunnel diode, harmonics can be heard to about 147 MHz.

## AUTOMATIC TTL MORSE-CODE KEYS



**Fig. 2-18**

### Circuit Notes

Automatically generated dits and dahs are produced over a speed range of 11 to 39 wpm. The upper limit can be raised by decreasing R2. SW1 and SW2 can be a "home-brew" paddle operated key.

# 3

## Amplifiers

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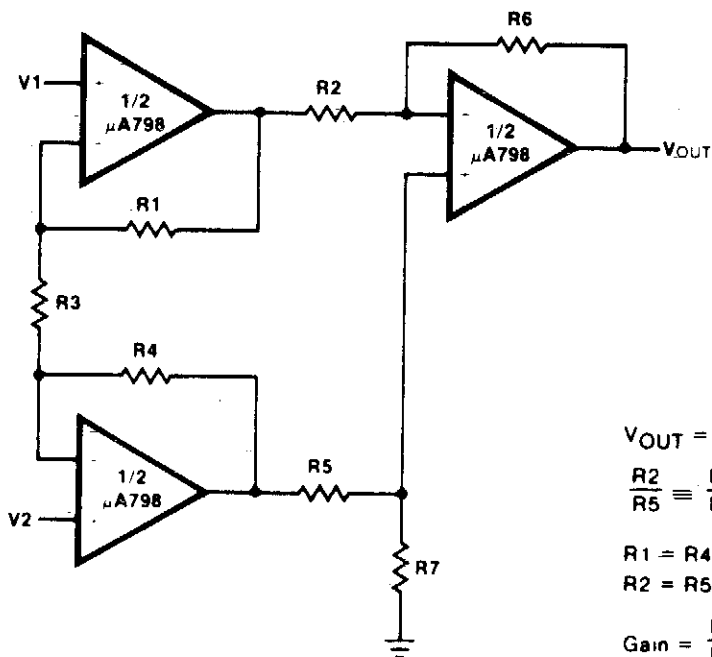
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

High Impedance Differential Amplifier  
Unity Gain Follower  
Voltage Controlled Variable Gain Amplifier  
Power Booster  
Logarithmic Amplifier  
Voltage Controlled Variable Gain Amplifier  
Discrete Current Booster  
Precision Process Control Interface  
Voltage Controlled Amplifier  
Absolute Value Amplifier  
Programmable Gain Noninverting Amplifier  
    with Selectable Inputs  
× 1000 Amplifier Circuit  
Inverting Amplifier with Balancing Circuit  
Switching Power Amplifier  
Precision Power Booster  
Noninverting Voltage Follower  
Color Video Amplifier  
Fast Voltage Follower  
Isolation Amplifier for Capacitive Loads  
Cable Bootstrapping  
Current Booster  
Wideband Unity Gain Inverting Amplifier  
    in a 75 Ohm System  
High-Speed Current to Voltage Output  
    Amplifier

Gated Amplifier  
Reference Voltage Amplifier  
Fast Summing Amplifier  
Adjustment-Free Precision Summing Amplifier  
Summing Amplifier with Low Input Current  
× 10 Operational Amplifier Using L161  
× 100 Operational Amplifier Using L161  
Precision Absolute Value Circuit  
Ultra-Low-Leakage Preamp  
Dc to Video Log Amplifier  
±100 V Common Mode Range Differential  
    Amplifier  
Wide Bandwidth, Low Noise, Low Drift  
    Amplifier  
Signal Distribution Amplifier  
Audio Distribution Amplifier  
High Input Impedance, High Output Current  
    Voltage Follower  
Precision Amplifier  
Preamplifier and High-to-Low Impedance  
    Converter  
Noninverting Amplifier  
High Impedance, High Gain, High Fre-  
    quency Inverting Amp  
Log-Ratio Amplifier  
Inverting Amplifier

Logarithmic Amplifier

### HIGH IMPEDANCE DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



$$V_{OUT} = C(1 + a + b)(V_2 - V_1)$$

$$\frac{R_2}{R_5} \equiv \frac{R_6}{R_7} \text{ for best CMRR}$$

$$R_1 = R_4$$

$$R_2 = R_5$$

$$\text{Gain} = \frac{R_6}{R_2} \left(1 + \frac{2R_1}{R_3}\right) = C(1 + a + b)$$

Fig. 3-1

### UNITY GAIN FOLLOWER

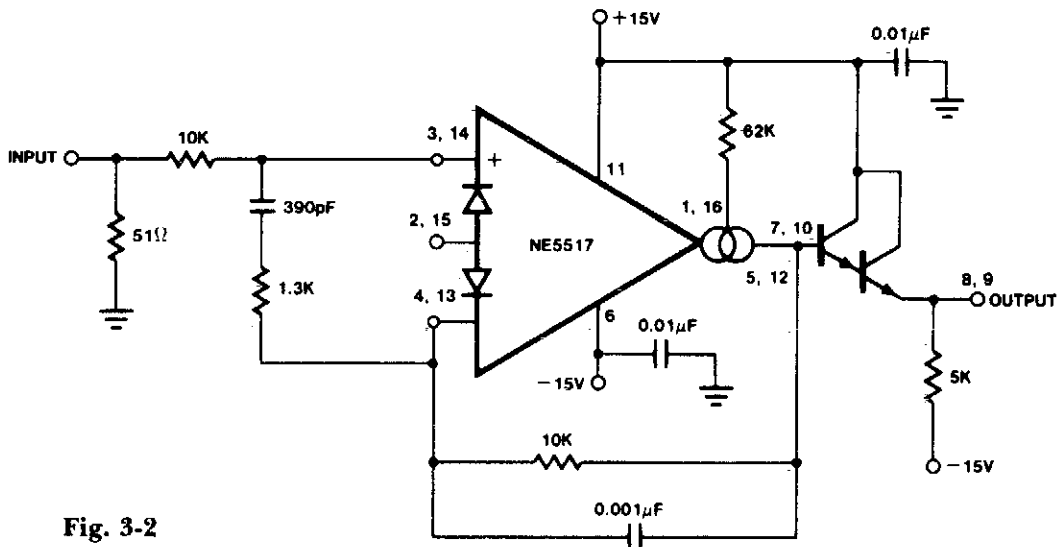


Fig. 3-2

### VOLTAGE CONTROLLED VARIABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER

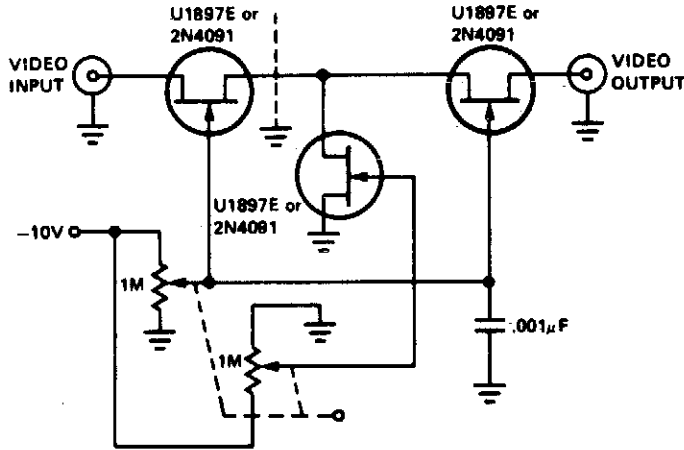
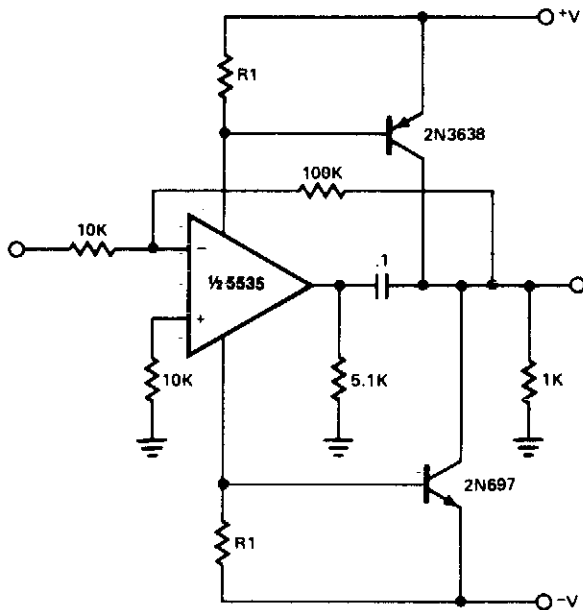


Fig. 3-3

#### Circuit Notes

The tee attenuator provides for optimum dynamic linear range attenuation up to 100 dB, even at  $f = 10.7$  MHz with proper layout.

### POWER BOOSTER



#### Circuit Notes

Power booster is capable of driving moderate loads. The circuit as shown uses a NE5535 device. Other amplifiers may be substituted only if R1 values are changed because of the  $I_{cc}$  current required by the amplifier. R1 should be calculated from the following expression:

$$R1 = \frac{600 \text{ mW}}{I_{cc}}$$

All resistor values are in ohms.

Fig. 3-4

## LOGARITHMIC AMPLIFIER

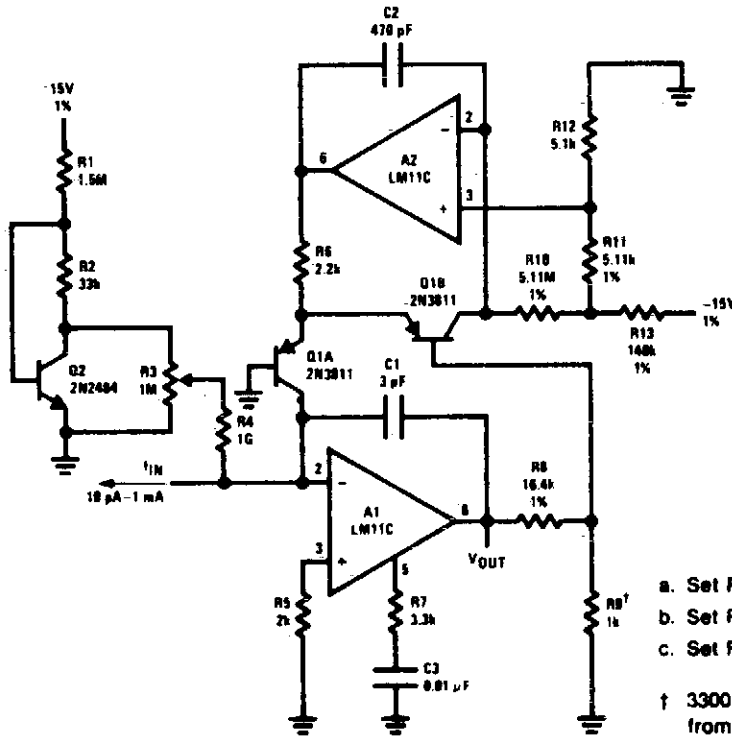


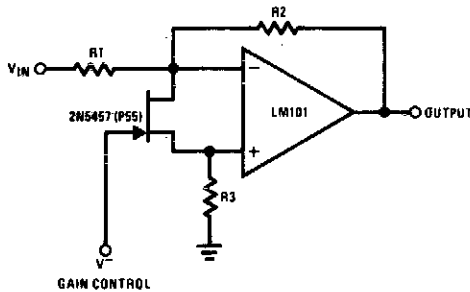
Fig. 3-5

- a. Set R11 for  $V_{OUT} = 0$  at  $I_{IN} = 100 \mu A$
  - b. Set R8 for  $V_{OUT} = 3V$  at  $I_{IN} = 100 \mu A$
  - c. Set R3 for  $V_{OUT} = -4V$  at  $I_{IN} = 10 pA$
- † 3300 ppm/°C. Type Q209 available from Tel Labs, Inc., Manchester, N.H.

### Circuit Notes

Unusual frequency compensation gives this logarithmic converter a 100  $\mu s$  time constant from 1 mA down to 100  $\mu A$ , increasing from 200  $\mu s$  to 200 ms from 10 nA to 10 pA. Optional bias current compensation can give 10 pA resolution from -55 °C to 100 °C. Scale factor is 1 V/decade and temperature compensated.

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED VARIABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER



### Circuit Notes

The 2N5457 acts as a voltage variable resistor with an  $R_{ds(on)}$  of 800 ohms max. Since the differential voltage on the LM101 is in the low mV range, the 2N5457 JFET will have linear resistance over several decades of resistance providing an excellent electronic gain control.

Fig. 3-6



### DISCRETE CURRENT BOOSTER

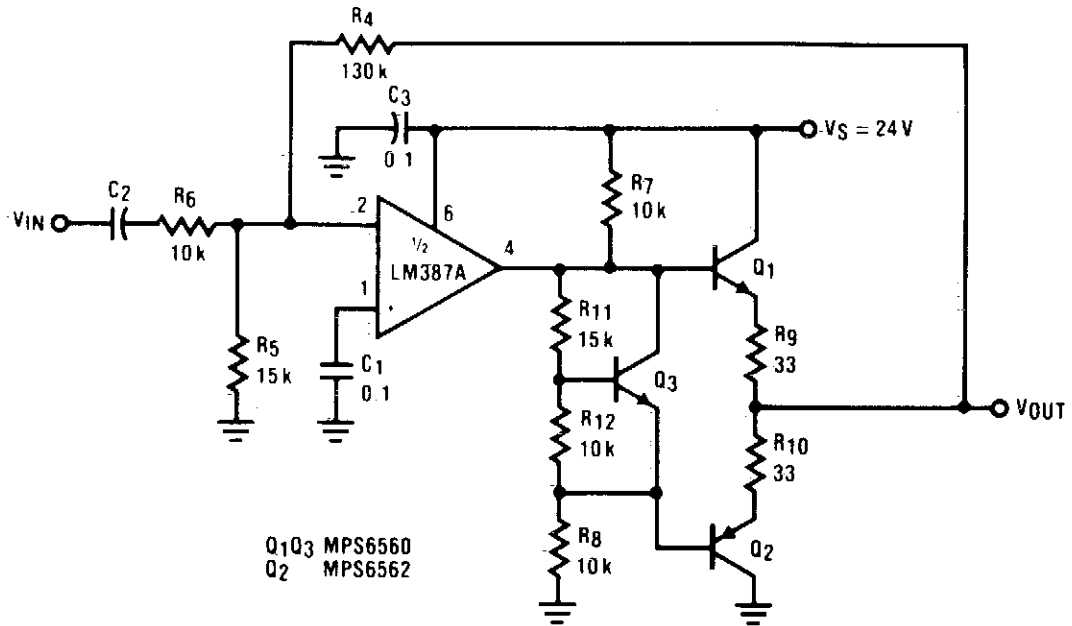


Fig. 3-7

### PRECISION PROCESS CONTROL INTERFACE

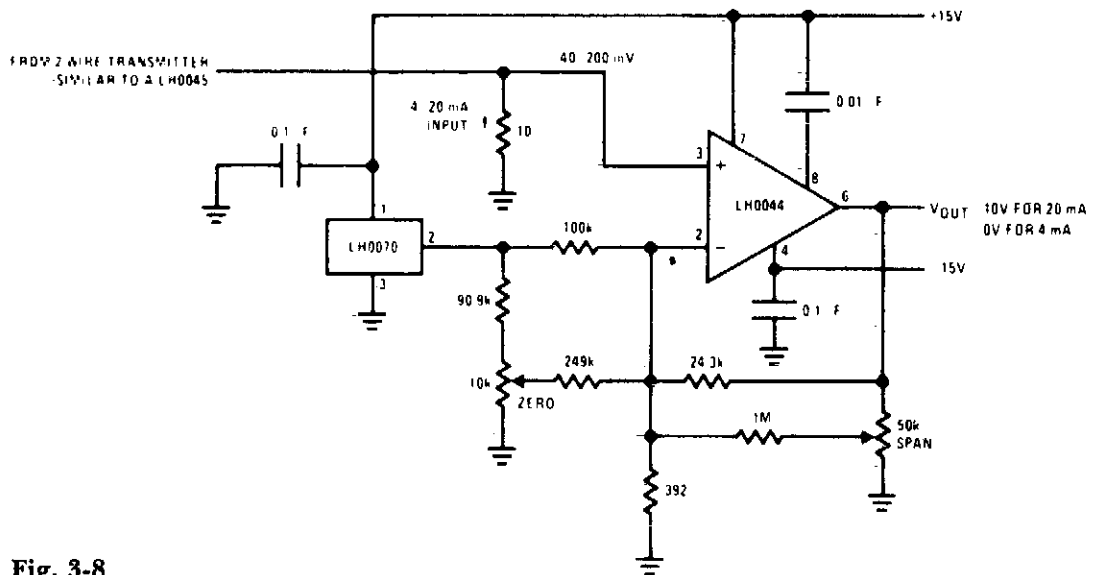
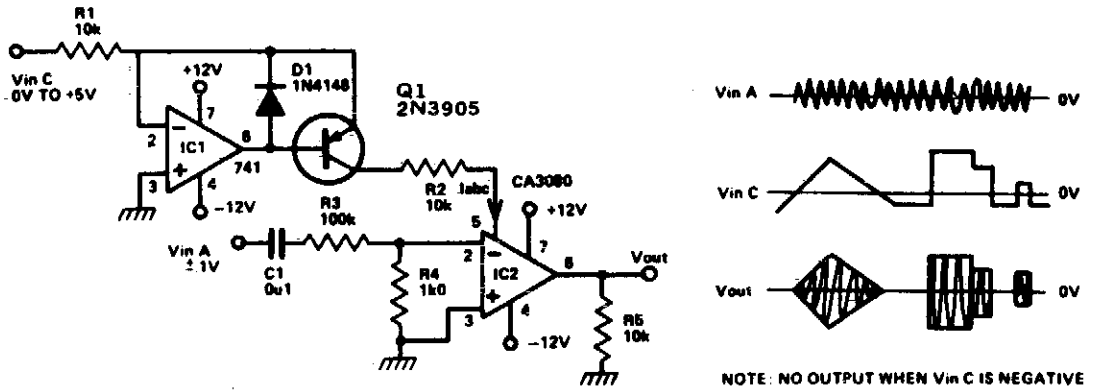


Fig. 3-8

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER



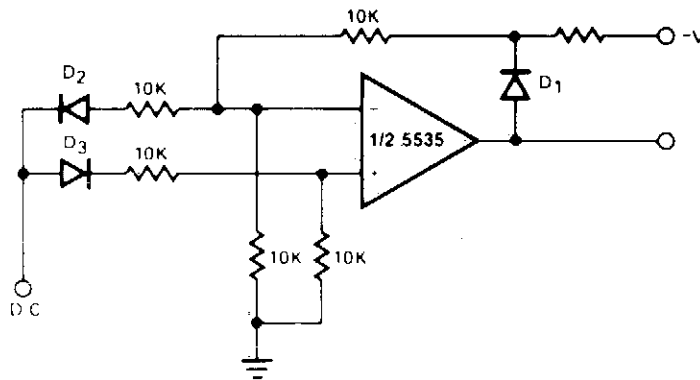
**Fig. 3-9**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is basically an op amp with an extra input at pin 5. A current  $I_{ABC}$  is injected into this input and this controls the gain of the device linearly. Thus by inserting an audio sig-

nal ( $\pm 10$  mV) between pin 2 and 3 and by controlling the current on pin 5, the level of the signal output (pin 6) is controlled.

## ABSOLUTE VALUE AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 3-10**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit generates a positive output voltage for either polarity of input. For positive signals, it acts as a noninverting amplifier and for negative signals, as an inverting amplifier.

The accuracy is poor for input voltages under 1 V, but for less stringent applications, it can be effective.

## PROGRAMMABLE GAIN NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER WITH SELECTABLE INPUTS

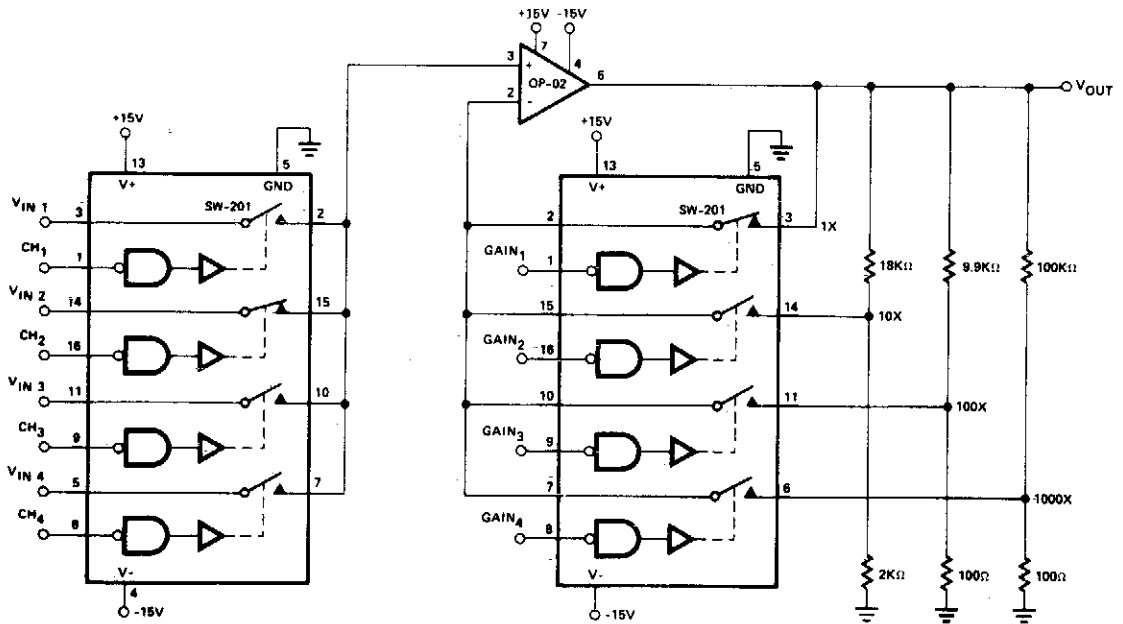


Fig. 3-11

## × 1000 AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT

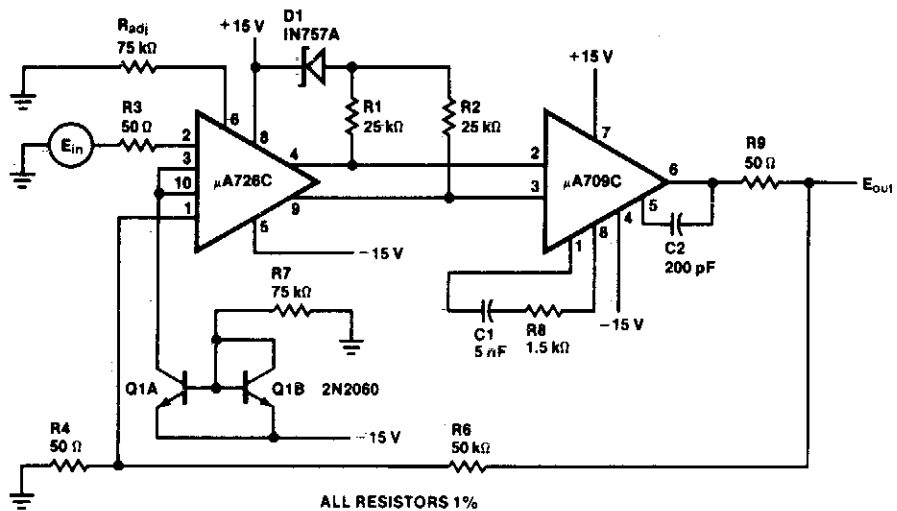


Fig. 3-12

### INVERTING AMPLIFIER WITH BALANCING CIRCUIT

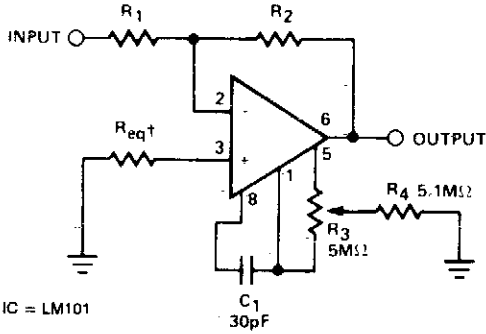


Fig. 3-13

#### Circuit Notes

$R_{eq}$  may be zero or equal to the parallel combination of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  for minimum offset.

### PRECISION POWER BOOSTER

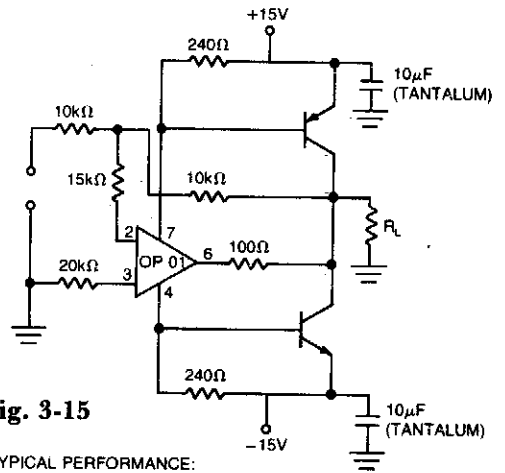


Fig. 3-15

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE:  
 SLEW RATE----- $\approx 18V/\mu\text{SEC}$   
 0.1% SETTling----- $4\mu\text{SEC}$  ( $R_L = 500$ )  
 QUIESCENT SUPPLY CURRENT--- $1.5\text{mA}$

### SWITCHING POWER AMPLIFIER

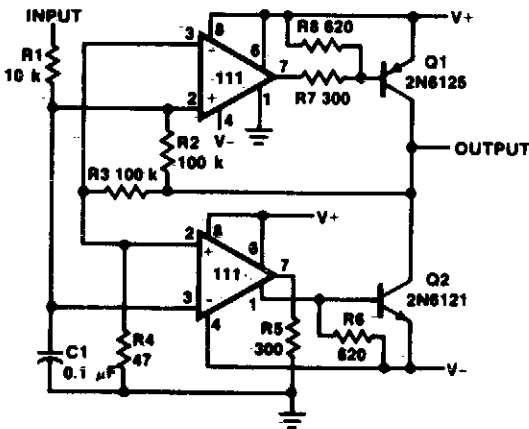


Fig. 3-14

### NONINVERTING VOLTAGE FOLLOWER

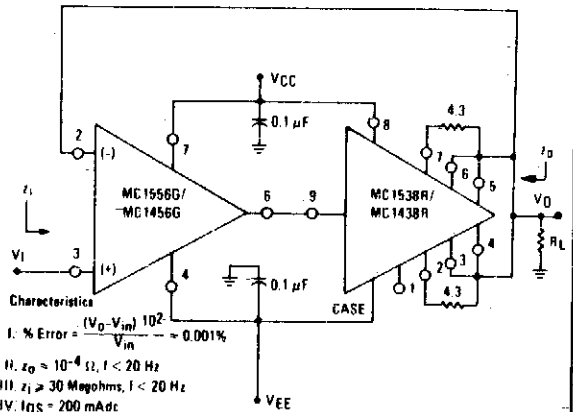
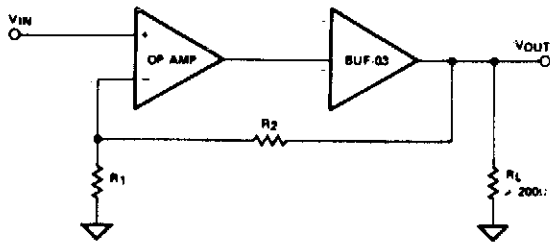


Fig. 3-16

Characteristics  
 I. % Error =  $\frac{(V_o - V_{in}) 10^2}{V_{in}} \approx 0.001\%$   
 II.  $x_0 \approx 10^{-6} \Omega, f < 20 \text{ Hz}$   
 III.  $x_1 > 30 \text{ Megohms}, f < 20 \text{ Hz}$   
 IV.  $I_{OS} = 200 \text{ nA dc}$



### CURRENT BOOSTER



GAIN =  $\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$   
 MAXIMUM LOAD CURRENT = 150mA (10V ÷ 200Ω)

Fig. 3-21

### HIGH-SPEED CURRENT TO VOLTAGE OUTPUT AMPLIFIER

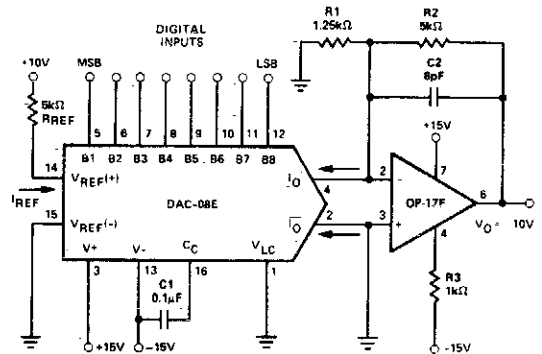


Fig. 3-23

### WIDEBAND UNITY GAIN INVERTING AMPLIFIER IN A 75 OHM SYSTEM

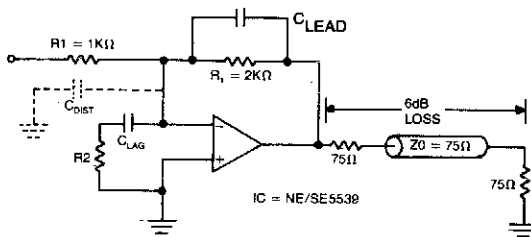


Fig. 3-22

### LOGARITHMIC AMPLIFIER

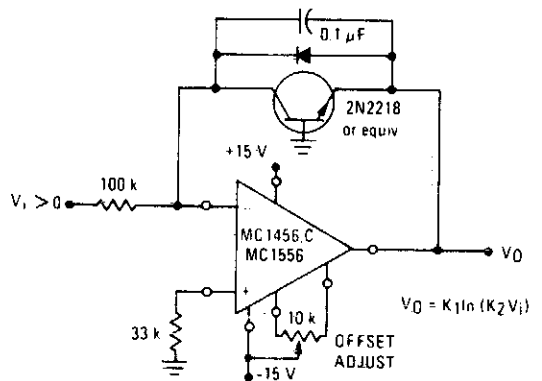


Fig. 3-24

### GATED AMPLIFIER

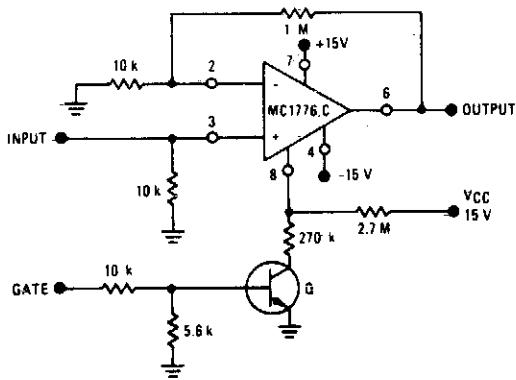
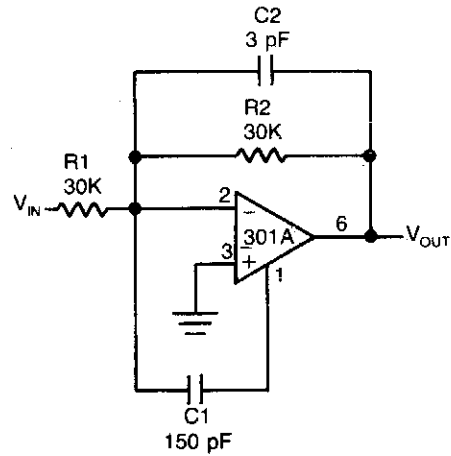


Fig. 3-25

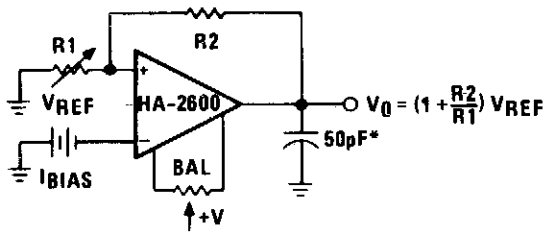
### FAST SUMMING AMPLIFIER



Power Bandwidth: 250 kHz  
 Small Signal Bandwidth: 3.5 MHz  
 Slew Rate: 10V/μs

Fig. 3-27

### REFERENCE VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER



#### FEATURES

- 1 MINIMUM BIAS CURRENT IN REFERENCE CELL
- 2 SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION

IC = HA-OP07

Fig. 3-26

### ADJUSTMENT-FREE PRECISION SUMMING AMPLIFIER

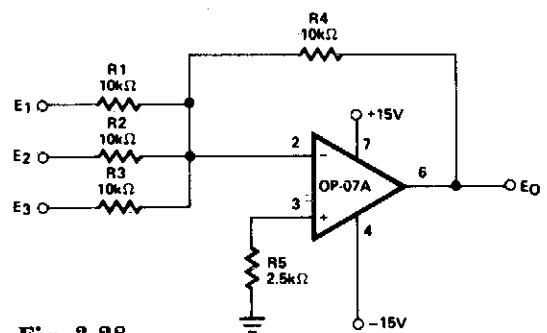


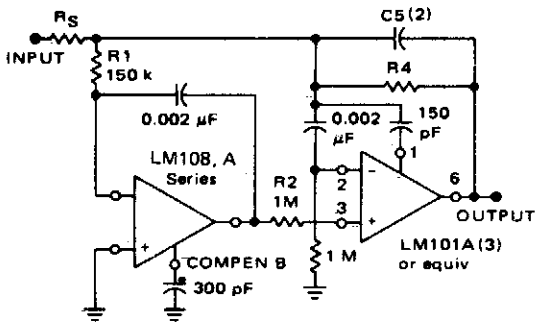
Fig. 3-28

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit produces continuous outputs that are a function of multiple input variables.



### SUMMING AMPLIFIER WITH LOW INPUT CURRENT



- (1) Power Bandwidth: 250 kHz  
 Small Signal Bandwidth: 3.5 MHz  
 Slew Rate: 10 V/μs  
 (2)  $C5 = \frac{6 \times 10^{-8}}{R1}$
- (3) In addition to increasing speed, the LM101A raises high and low frequency gain, increases output drive capability and eliminates thermal feedback.

Fig. 3-29

### × 100 OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER USING L161

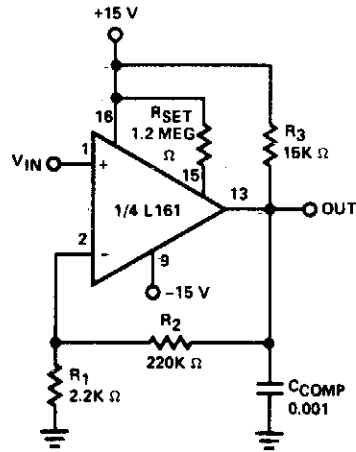


Fig. 3-31

#### Circuit Notes

Amplifier has gain-bandwidth product of 20 MHz with slew rate of 0.3V/μ sec.

### × 10 OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER USING L161

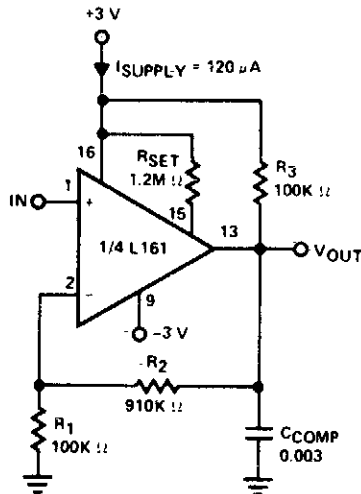
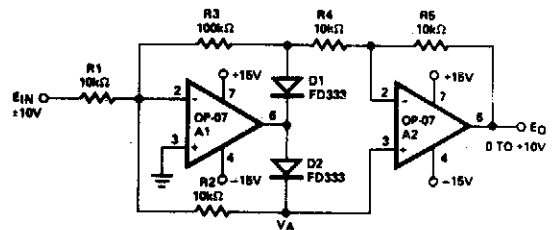


Fig. 3-30

#### Circuit Notes

Amplifier is 3 dB down at 100 kHz and has a slew rate of 0.02V/μ sec.

### PRECISION ABSOLUTE VALUE CIRCUIT



#### POSITIVE INPUT

1.  $V_A = 0$ , D2 OFF, D1 ON
2.  $E_O = \left( \frac{-E_{IN} R_2}{R_1} \right) \left( \frac{-R_5}{R_4} \right) = E_{IN} \frac{R_2 R_5}{R_1 R_4}$
3. WITH  $R_1 = R_2 = R_4 = R_5$ :  $E_O = E_{IN}$
4.  $V_{OS}$  ERROR INCLUDED:  
 $E_O = E_{IN} + 2V_{OS2}$
5.  $E_O = V_A \left( 1 + \frac{R_5}{R_3 + R_4} \right)$
6. WITH  $R_3 = R_4 = R_5$ :  $E_O = 1.5V_A$
7.  $E_O = - \frac{(R_2)(R_3 + R_4)(1.5) E_{IN}}{R_1 (R_2 + R_3 + R_4)}$
8. WITH  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4$ :  $E_O = -E_{IN}$

#### NEGATIVE INPUT

1. D1 OFF, D2 ON
2.  $\frac{-E_{IN}}{R_1} = \frac{V_A}{R_2} + \frac{V_A}{R_3 + R_4}$
7.  $V_{OS}$  ERROR INCLUDED:  
 $E_O = -E_{IN} + 1.5V_{OS2} - 0.5V_{OS1}$
8. FOR BOTH INPUTS:  $E_O = \pm E_{IN}$

Fig. 3-32

### ULTRA-LOW-LEAKAGE PREAMP

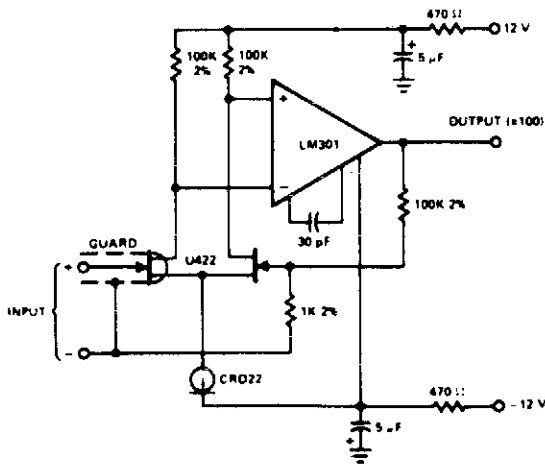
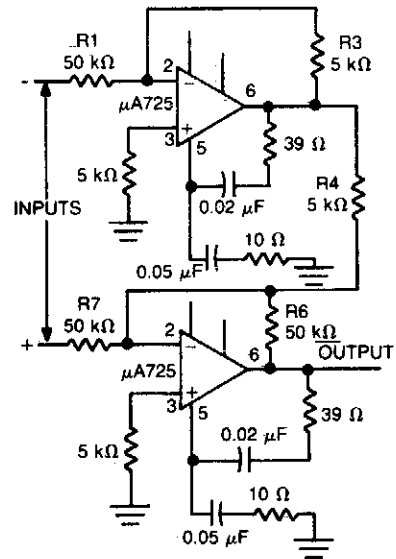


Fig. 3-33

#### Circuit Notes

Input leakage—2 pA at 75 °C.

### ±100 V COMMON MODE RANGE DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



Pin numbers are shown for metal package only.

Fig. 3-35

### DC TO VIDEO LOG AMPLIFIER

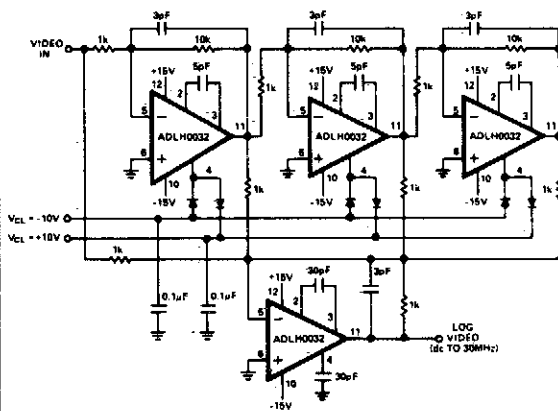
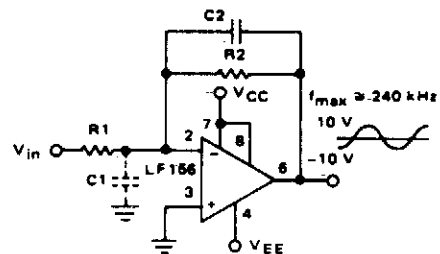


Fig. 3-34

### WIDE BANDWIDTH, LOW NOISE, LOW DRIFT AMPLIFIER



• Power BW:  $f_{max} = \frac{S_r}{2\pi V_p} \approx 240 \text{ kHz}$

- Parasitic input capacitance ( $C_1 \approx 3 \text{ pF}$  for LF155, LF156, and LF157 plus any additional layout capacitance) interacts with feedback elements and creates undesirable high frequency pole. To compensate add  $C_2$  such that:  $R_2 C_2 \approx R_1 C_1$ .

Fig. 3-36



## HIGH INPUT IMPEDANCE, HIGH OUTPUT CURRENT VOLTAGE FOLLOWER

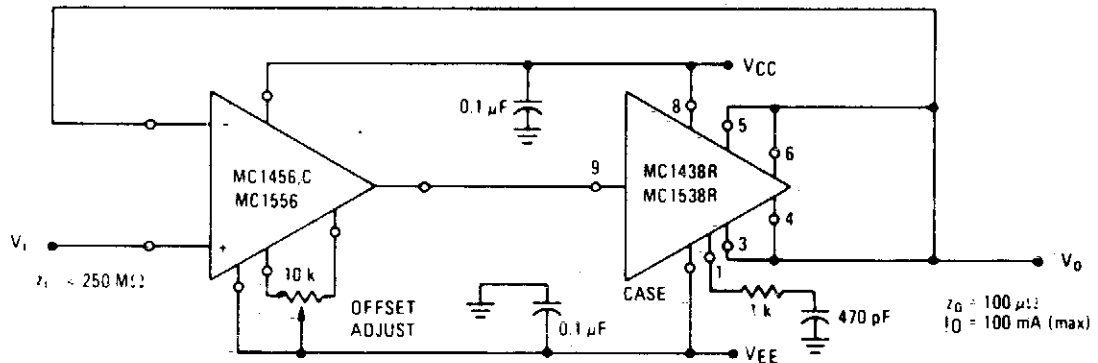
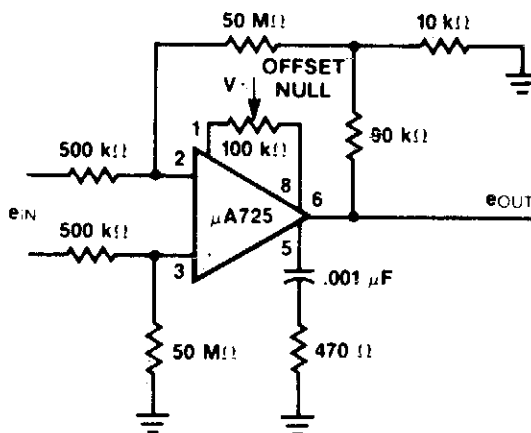


Fig. 3-39

## PRECISION AMPLIFIER



Pin numbers are shown for metal package only.

### Characteristics

- $A_V = 1000 = 60 \text{ dB}$
- DC Gain Error = 0.05%
- Bandwidth = 1 kHz for  $-0.05\%$  error
- Diff. Input Res. =  $1 \text{ M}\Omega$
- Typical amplifying capability
- $e_{IN} = 10 \mu\text{V}$  on  $V_{CM1} = 1.0 \text{ V}$
- Caution: Minimize Stray Capacitance
- $A_{VCL} = 1000$

Fig. 3-40

## PREAMPLIFIER AND HIGH-TO-LOW IMPEDANCE CONVERTER

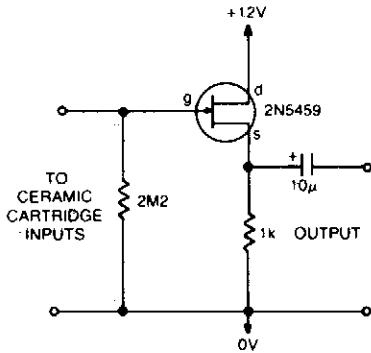


Fig. 3-41

### Circuit Notes

This circuit matches the very high impedance of ceramic cartridges, unity gain, and low impedance output. By "loading" the cartridge with a 2M $\Omega$  input resistance, the cartridge

characteristics are such as to quite closely compensate for the RIAA recording curve. The output from this preamp may be fed to a level pot for mixing.

## NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER

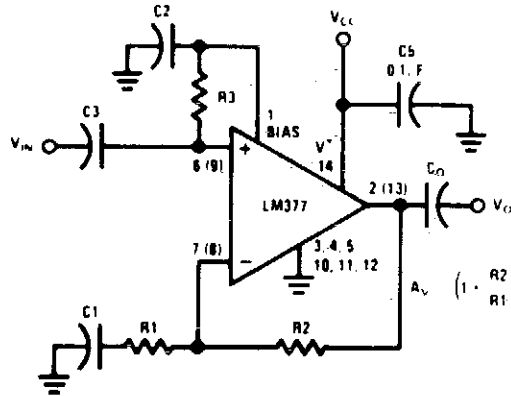


Fig. 3-42

## HIGH IMPEDANCE, HIGH GAIN, HIGH FREQUENCY INVERTING AMP

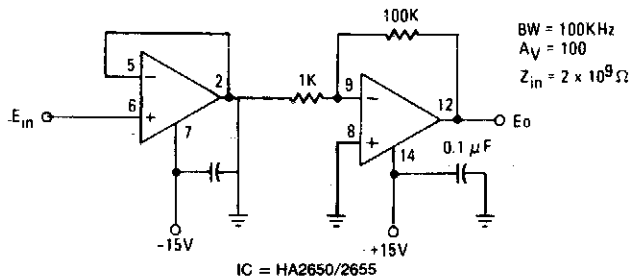


Fig. 3-43

### LOG-RATIO AMPLIFIER

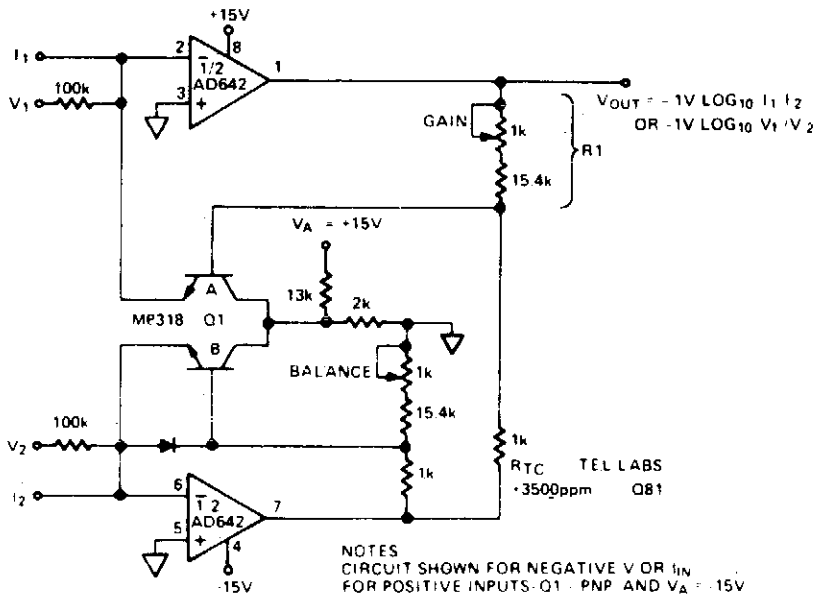


Fig. 3-44

### INVERTING AMPLIFIER

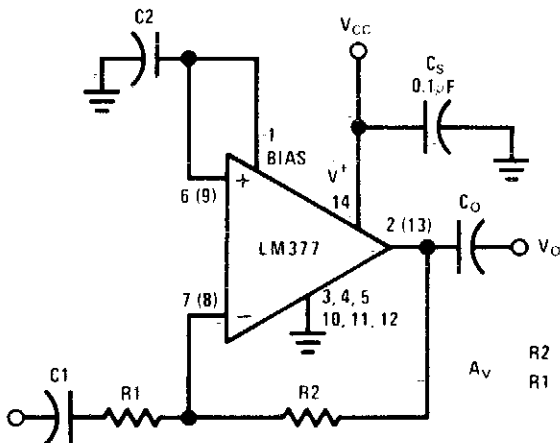


Fig. 3-45

# 4

## Analog-to-Digital Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 8-Bit A/D Converter                          | A/D Converter                           |
| Successive Approximation A/D Converter       | Three Decade Logarithmic A/D Converter  |
| 8-Bit A/D Converter                          | Tracking (Servo Type) A/D Converter     |
| 8-Bit Tracking A/D Converter                 | 3½ Digit A/D Converter with LCD Display |
| 8-Bit Successive Approximation A/D Converter | Fast Precision A/D Converter            |
| Four Channel Digitally Multiplexed Ramp      | High Speed 3-Bit A/D Converter          |
|  | Three IC Low Cost A/D Converter         |





## SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATION A/D CONVERTER

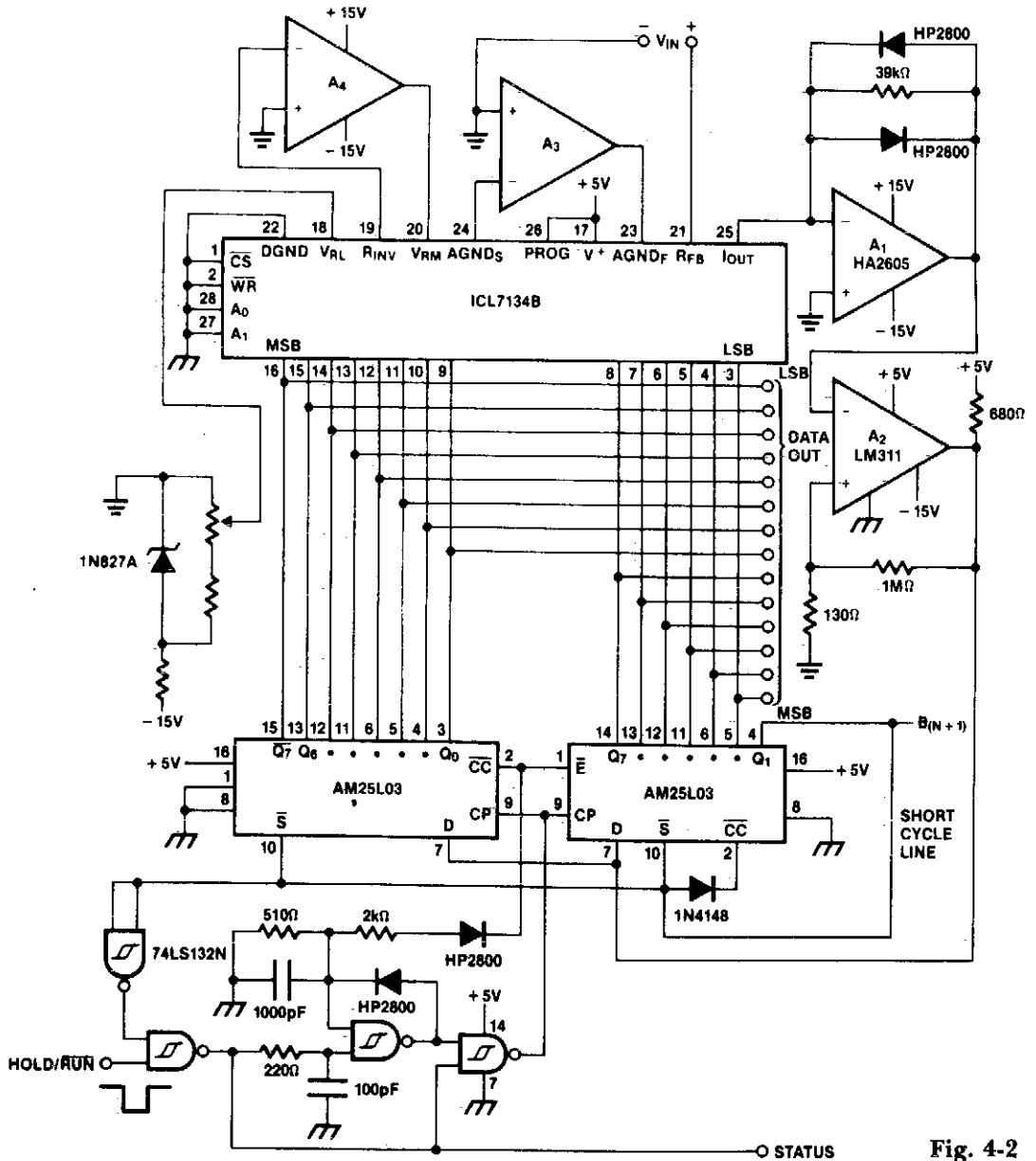


Fig. 4-2

### Circuit Notes

A bipolar input, high speed A/D converter uses two AM25L03s to form a 14-bit successive approximation register. The comparator is a two-stage circuit with an HA2605 front-end amplifier used to reduce settling time problems at the summing node. Careful offset-nulling of this amplifier is needed.



## 8-BIT SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATION A/D CONVERTER

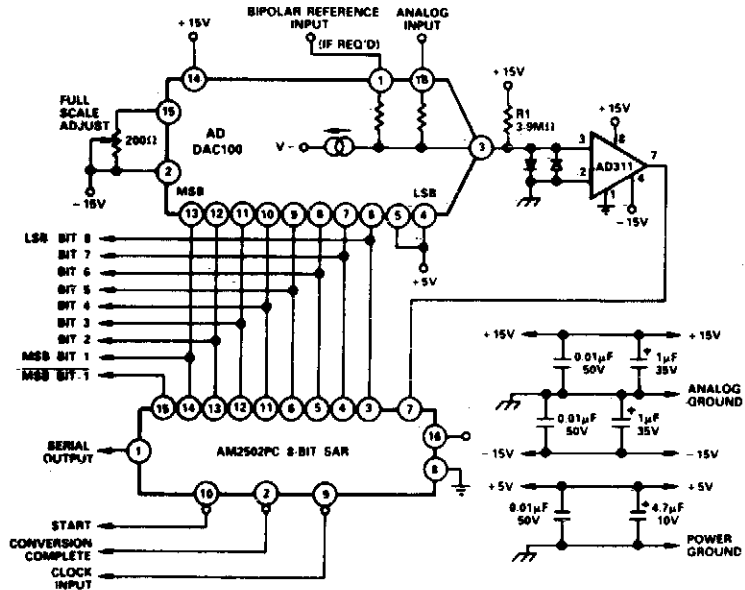


Fig. 4-5

## FOUR CHANNEL DIGITALLY MULTIPLEXED RAMP A/D CONVERTER

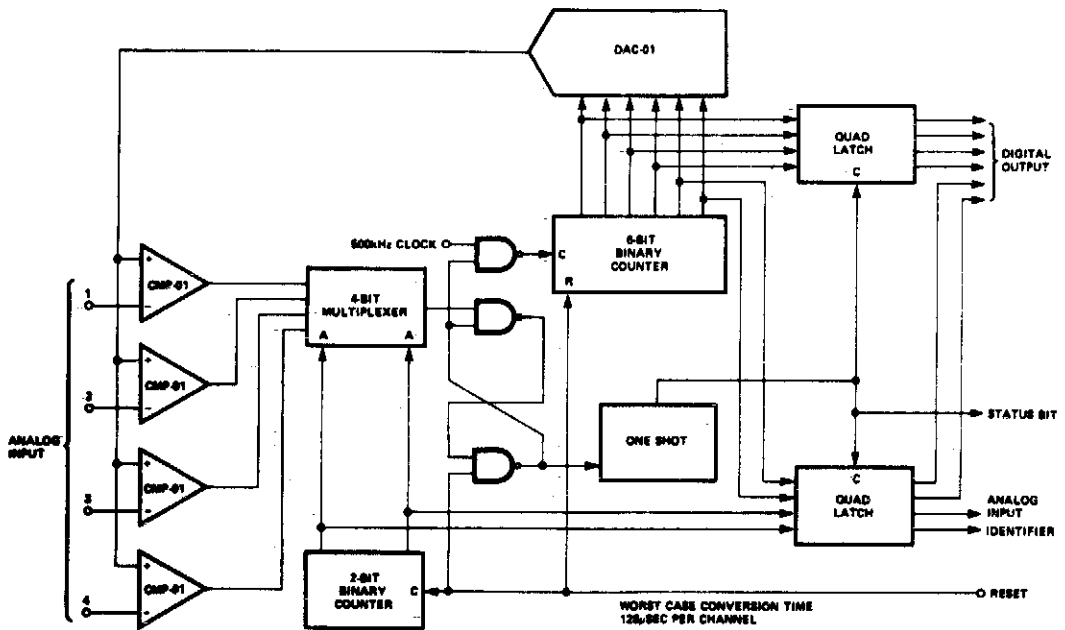


Fig. 4-6

### THREE-DECADE LOGARITHMIC A/D CONVERTER

A, B, C, D = LM324A

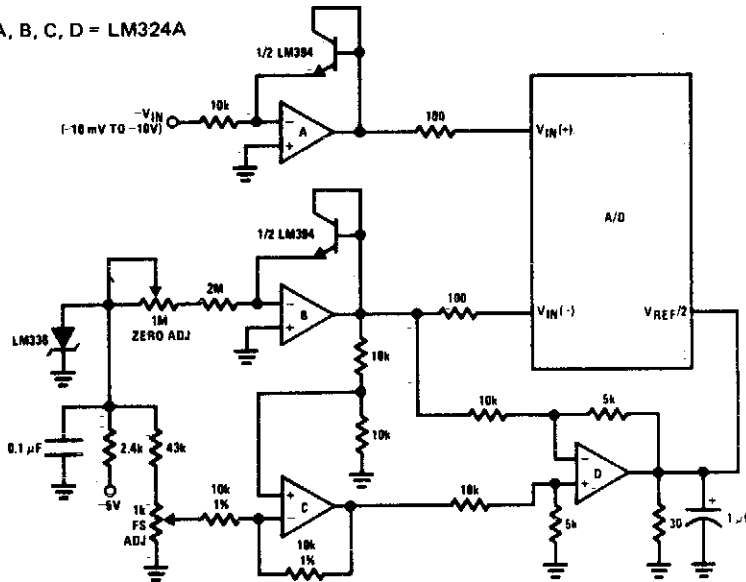


Fig. 4-7

### TRACKING (SERVO TYPE) A/D CONVERTER

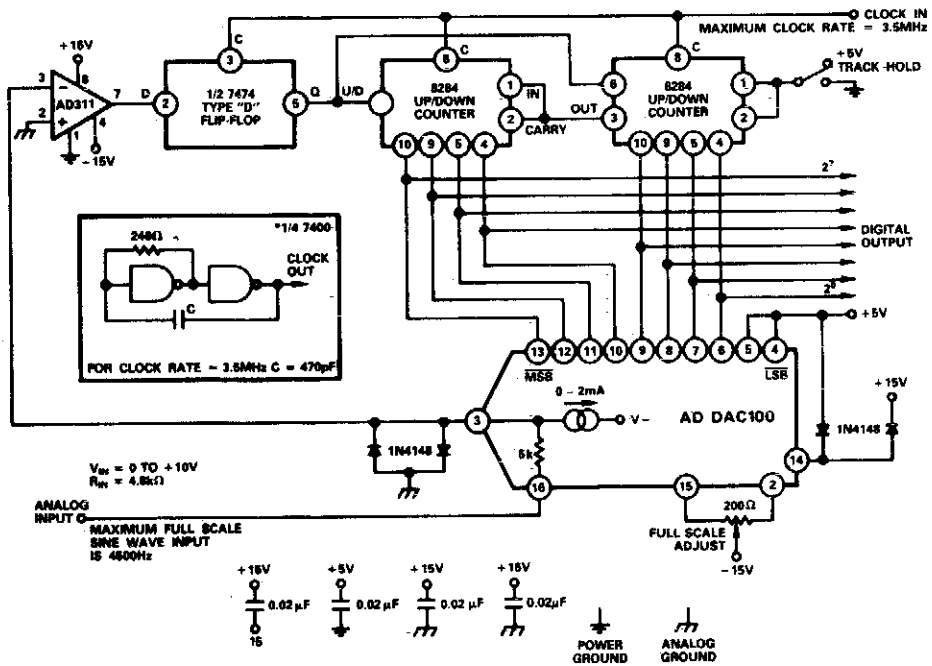


Fig. 4-8

### 3½ DIGIT A/D CONVERTER WITH LCD DISPLAY

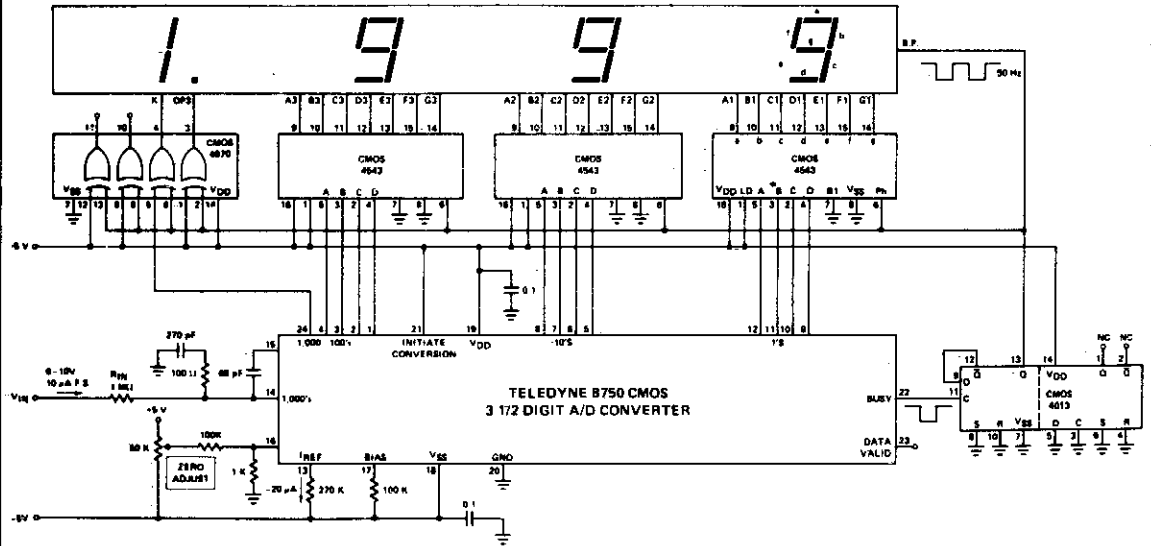


Fig. 4-9

### FAST PRECISION A/D CONVERTER

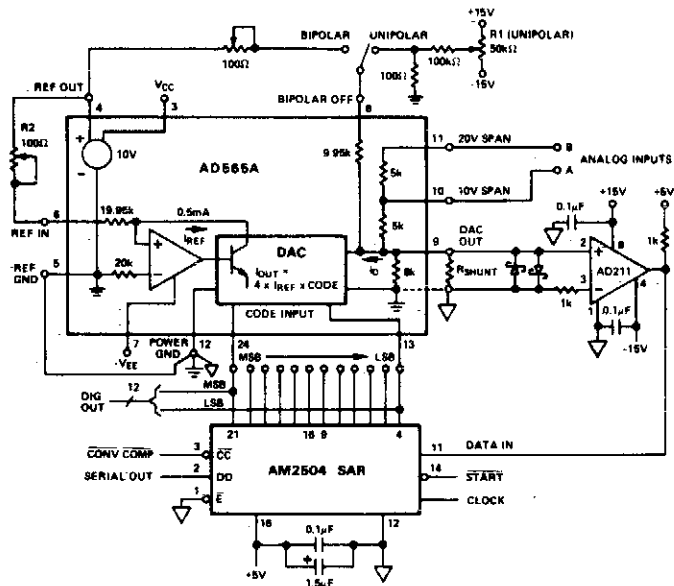


Fig. 4-10

| INPUT RANGES |         |              |              |
|--------------|---------|--------------|--------------|
| Unipolar     | Bipolar | Connect      | Eqv DAC ZOUT |
| 0 TO +10     | ±5      | INPUT TO A   | 2.35kΩ       |
| 0 TO +6      | ±2.5    | INPUT TO A   | 1.90kΩ       |
| 0 TO +20     | ±10     | INPUT TO B   | 3.00kΩ       |
|              |         | B TO DAC OUT |              |



# 5

## Attenuators

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Digitally Selectable Precision Attenuator  
Variable Attenuator

Digitally Controlled Amplifier/Attenuator  
Programmable Attenuator (1 to 0.0001)

## DIGITALLY SELECTABLE PRECISION ATTENUATOR

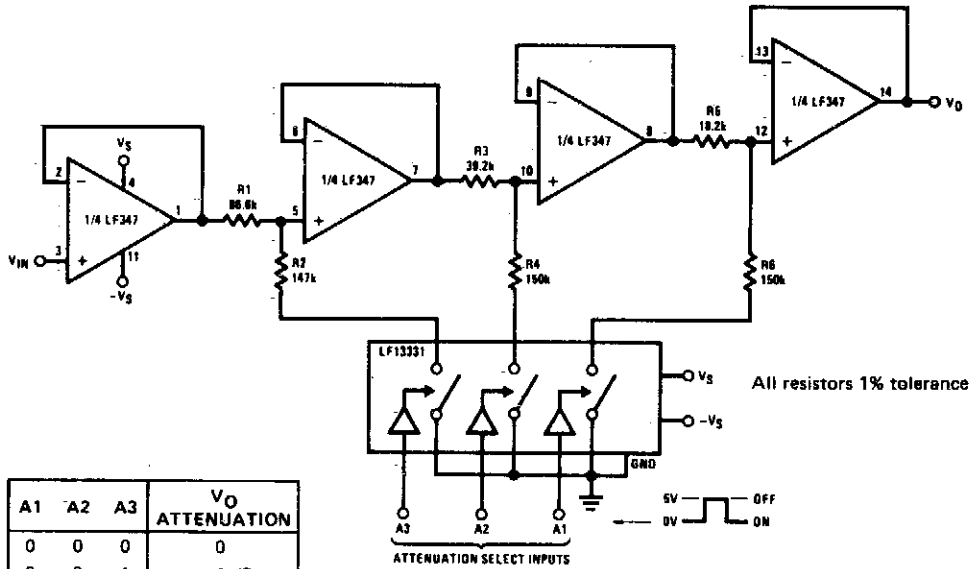
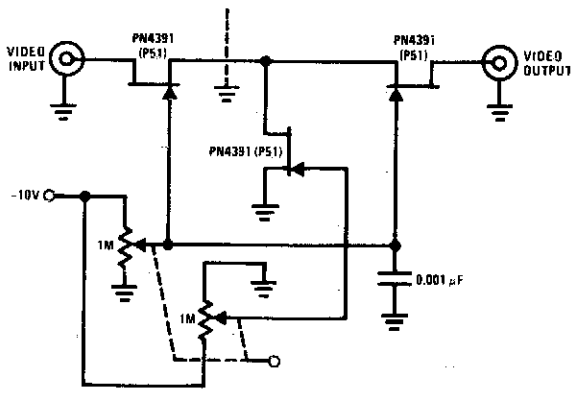


Fig. 5-1

| A1 | A2 | A3 | V <sub>O</sub> ATTENUATION |
|----|----|----|----------------------------|
| 0  | 0  | 0  | 0                          |
| 0  | 0  | 1  | -1 dB                      |
| 0  | 1  | 0  | -2 dB                      |
| 0  | 1  | 1  | -3 dB                      |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | -4 dB                      |
| 1  | 0  | 1  | -5 dB                      |
| 1  | 1  | 0  | -6 dB                      |
| 1  | 1  | 1  | -7 dB                      |

- Accuracy of better than 0.4% with standard 1% value resistors
- No offset adjustment necessary
- Expandable to any number of stages
- Very high input impedance

## VARIABLE ATTENUATOR



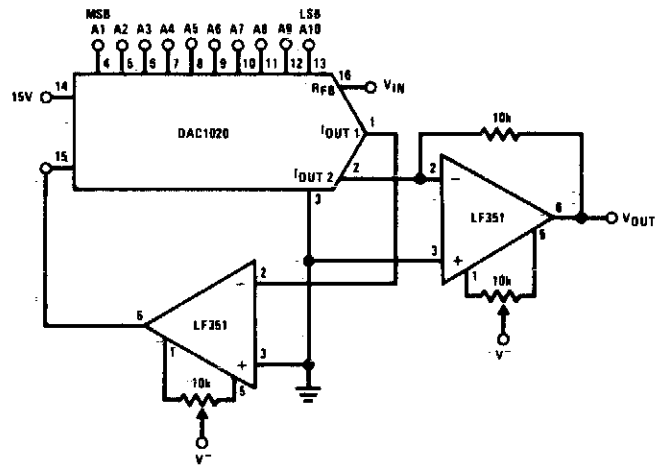
### Circuit Notes

The PN4391 provides a low  $R_{ds(on)}$  (less than 30 ohms). The tee attenuator provides for optimum dynamic linear range for attenuation and if complete turn-off is desired, attenuation of greater than 100 dB can be obtained at 10 MHz providing proper rf construction techniques are employed.

Fig. 5-2



## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER/ATTENUATOR



$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \left[ \frac{A_1}{2} + \frac{A_2}{4} + \dots + \frac{A_{10}}{1024} \right] \text{ or } V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \left( \frac{1023 - N}{N} \right)$$

where:  $0 \leq N \leq 1023$   
 $N = 0$  for  $A_N =$  all zeros  
 $N = 1$  for  $A_{10} = 1, A_1 - A_9 = 0$   
 $N = 1023$  for  $A_N =$  all 1's

Fig. 5-3

## PROGRAMMABLE ATTENUATOR (1 TO 0.0001)

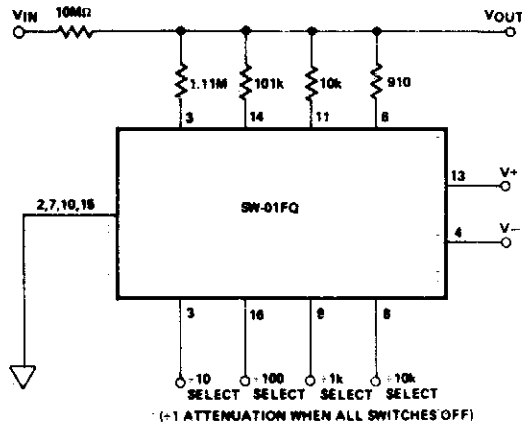


Fig. 5-4

# 6

## Audio Mixers

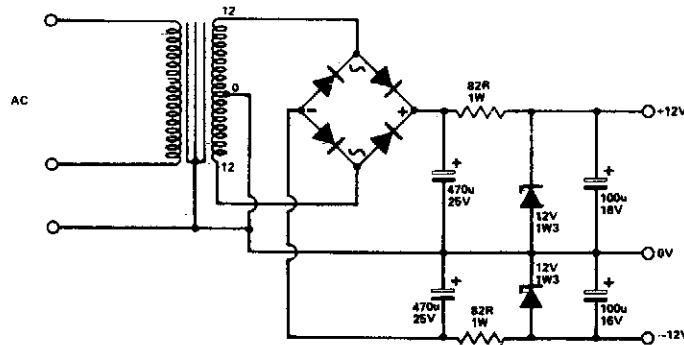
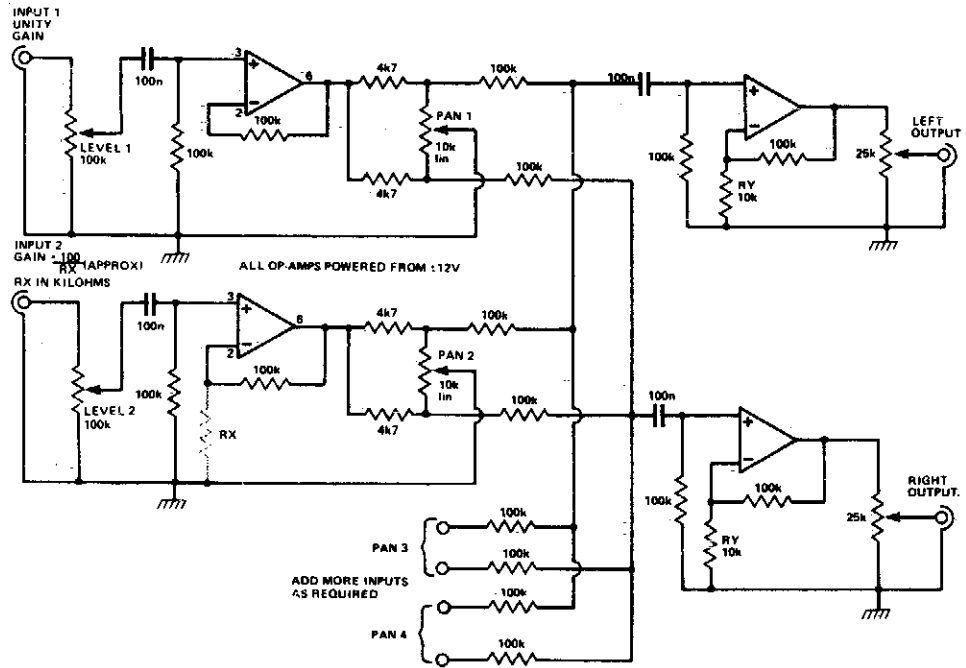
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Four Input Stereo Mixer  
High-Level Four-Channel Mixer  
Two Channel Panning Circuit  
CMOS Mixer  
Mixer Preamplifier with Tone Control

Passive Mixer  
One Transistor Audio Mixer  
Silent Audio Switching/Mixing  
Hybrid Mixer  
Four Channel Mixer

## FOUR-INPUT STEREO MIXER



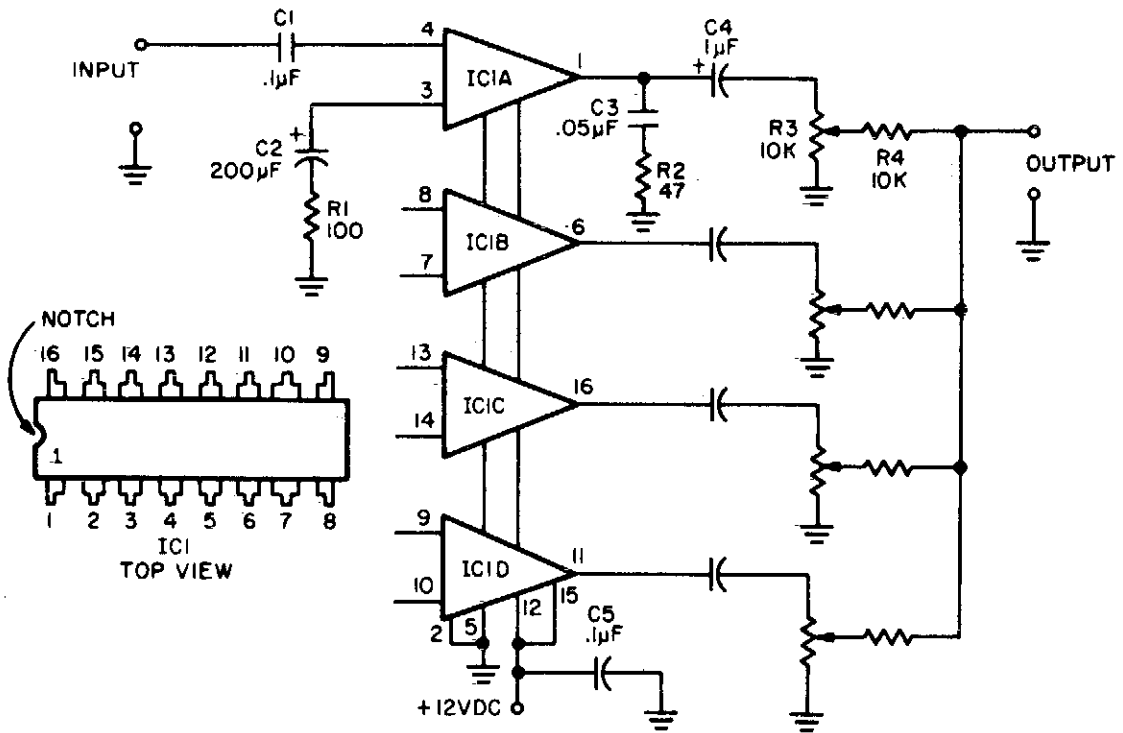
**Fig. 6-1**

### Circuit Notes

Four (or more) inputs can be mixed and produce stereo output. Gain of each stage can be boosted by adding RX, but it should be kept below 50 (RX above 2.2 K) to avoid poor frequency response. If more than four stages are

used, decrease RX to 6.8 K for six inputs, or 4.7 K for eight inputs. The op amps are 741 or other lower noise types. The power supply circuit is also given.

## HIGH-LEVEL FOUR-CHANNEL MIXER



### PARTS LIST FOR HI-LEVEL MIXER

- C1—0.1-µF, 3 VDC capacitor
- C2—200-µF, 3 VDC capacitor
- C3—0.05-µF, 75 VDC disc capacitor
- C4—1-µF, 15 VDC capacitor
- C5—0.1-µF, 15 VDC capacitor

### IC1—RCA CA 3052

- R1—100-ohms, ½-watt resistor
- R2—47-ohms, ½-watt resistor
- R3—Potentiometer, 10,000-ohms audio taper
- R4—10,000-ohms, ½-watt resistor

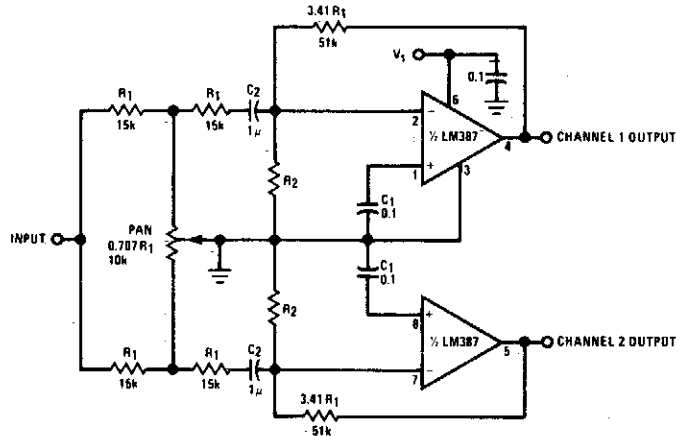
Fig. 6-2

### Circuit Notes

To provide good signal-to-noise ratio, this four channel mixer amplifier controls the signal levels after the amplifiers, and then mixes them to offer a combined output. The circuit works with any 50 ohm to 50 K dynamic mi-

crophone but not with crystal or ceramic mikes because the IC input impedance is low. Note that all four circuits are identical but that only one is shown complete.

## TWO CHANNEL PANNING CIRCUIT



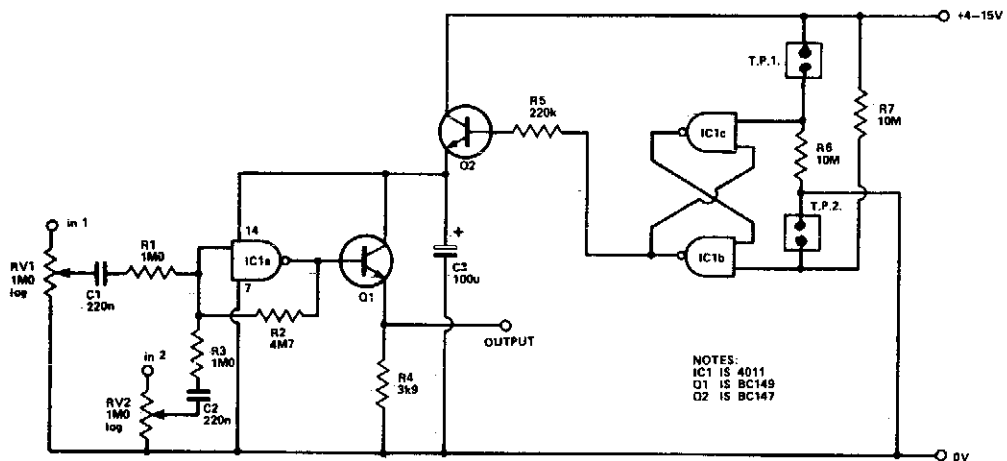
**Fig. 6-3**

### Circuit Notes

This panning circuit (short for panoramic control circuit) provides the ability to move the apparent position of one microphone's input between two output channels. This effect is often required in recording studio mixing con-

soles. Panning is how recording engineers manage to pick up your favorite pianist and "float" the sound over to the other side of the stage and back again.

## CMOS MIXER



**Fig. 6-4**

### Circuit Notes

Four inputs can be mixed by duplicating the circuit to the left of C3 and using the fourth gate of IC1. Two gates are used in a touch-operated switching circuit that controls the

voltage on the base of switching transistor Q2. Touching TP1 and TP2 alternately turns the circuit on and off.

NOTES:  
IC1 IS 4011  
Q1 IS BC149  
Q2 IS BC147

### MIXER PREAMPLIFIER WITH TONE CONTROL

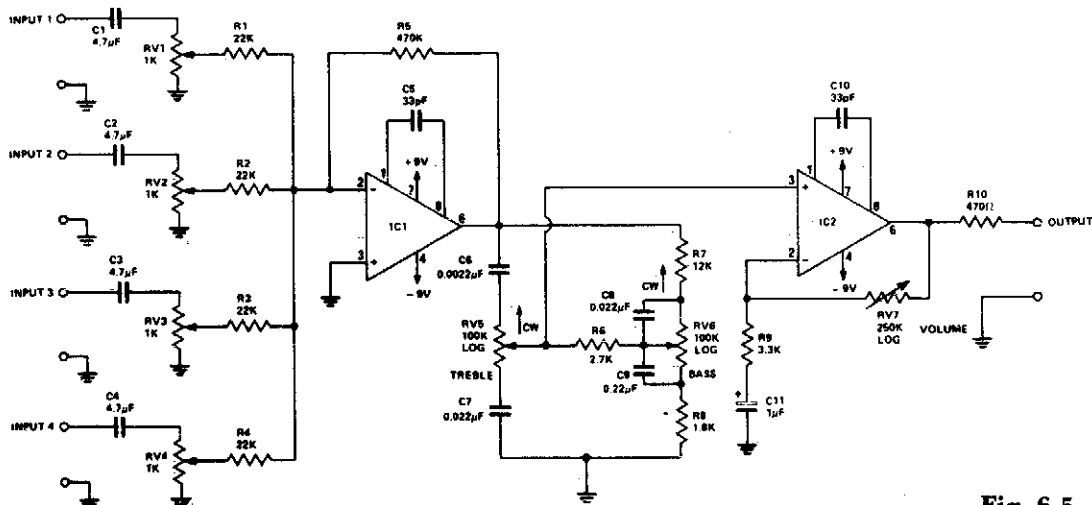


Fig. 6-5

#### Circuit Notes

General purpose preamplifier/mixer accepts up to four inputs, has a gain of 1600, and provides bass and treble controls that can be varied  $\pm 10$  dB at 100 Hz and 10 kHz respectively. IC1 and IC2 = LM301A.

### PASSIVE MIXER

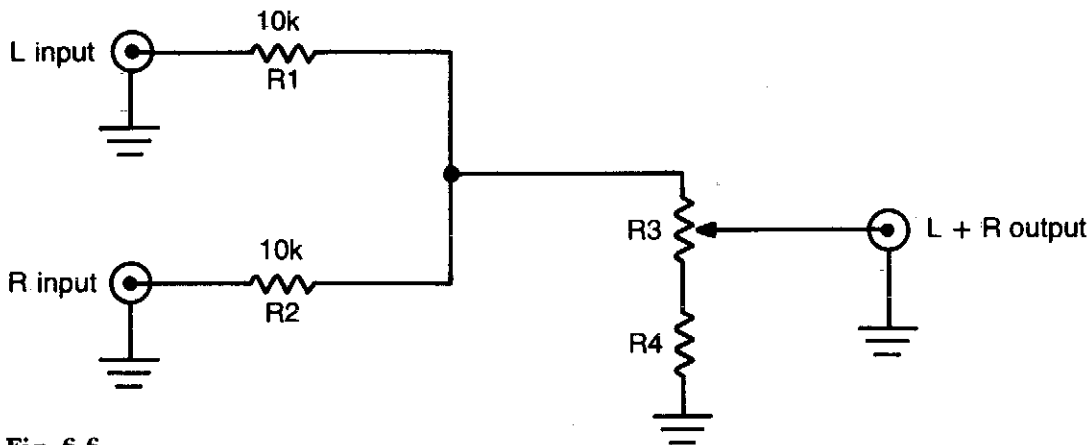


Fig. 6-6

#### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit can be used to combine stereo signals to produce a monaural output. R1 and R2 isolate both circuits and R3 controls the level of the combined output signal.

### ONE TRANSISTOR AUDIO MIXER

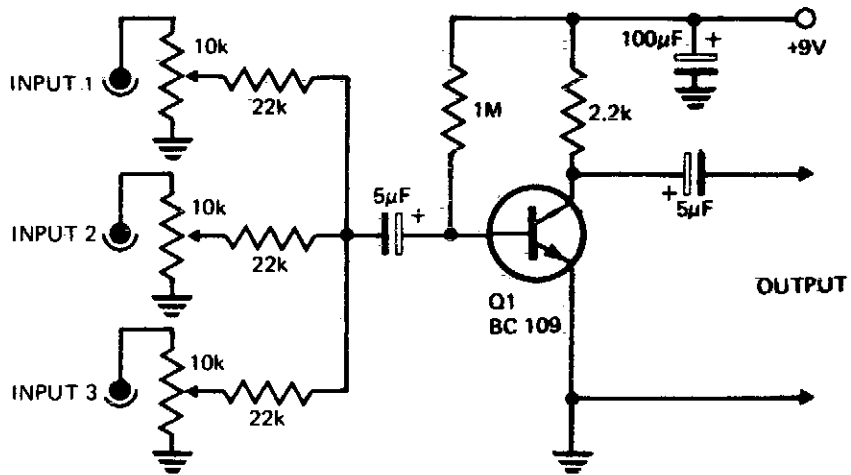


Fig. 6-7

#### Circuit Notes

Three or more inputs with individual level controls feed into the base of Q1 that provides a voltage gain of 20.

### SILENT AUDIO SWITCHING/MIXING

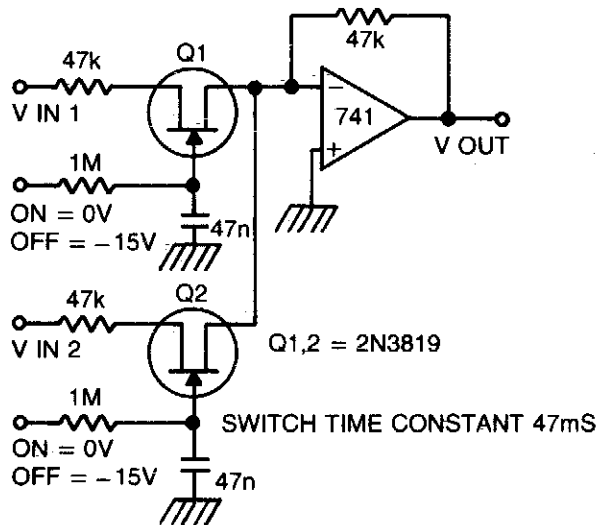


Fig. 6-8

#### Circuit Notes

Two or more signals can be switched and/or mixed without annoying clicks by using FETs and a low input-impedance op amp circuit.

### HYBRID MIXER

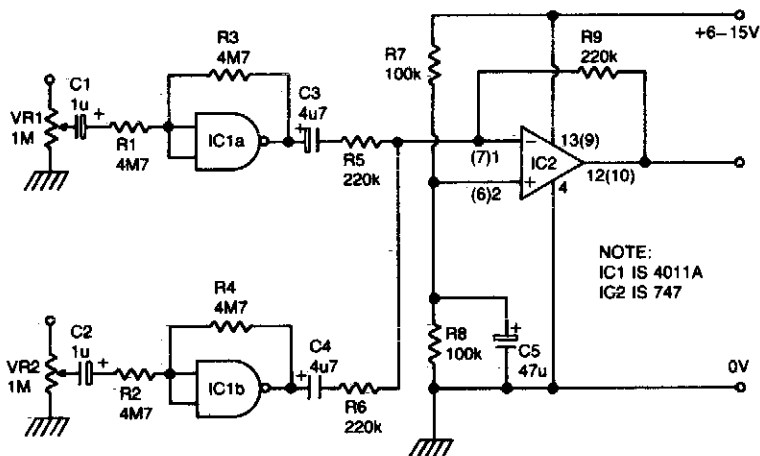


Fig. 6-9

NOTE:  
IC1 IS 4011A  
IC2 IS 747

### Circuit Notes

IC1a and b are biased into the linear regions by R3 and R4. (IC1 must be 4011A). Outputs from gates are combined by op amp IC2, which provides low impedance output.

### FOUR CHANNEL MIXER

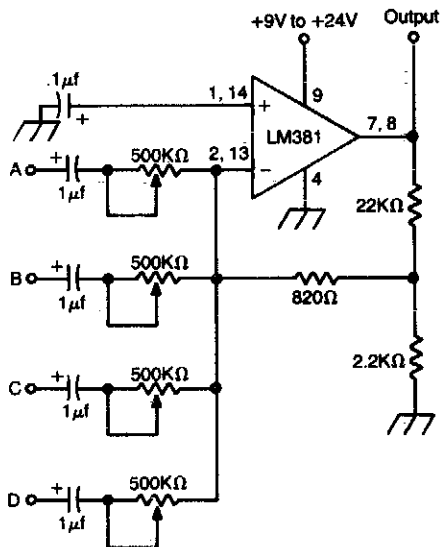


Fig. 6-10

### Circuit Notes

High gain op amp combines up to four individually controlled input signals. The dc power source should be well filtered (battery is ideal), and the circuit should be well shielded to prevent hum pickup.



# 7

## Audio Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Wien Bridge Oscillator                    | Tone Encoder   |
| Wien Bridge Oscillator                    | Feedback Oscillator                                    |
| Wien Bridge Oscillator                    | Phase Shift Oscillator                                 |
| Very Low Frequency Generator              | 800 Hz Oscillator                                      |
| Audio Oscillator                          | Tunable Single Comparator Oscillator                   |
| Sine Wave Oscillator                      | Wide Range Oscillator (Frequency Range<br>of 500 to 1) |
| Easily Tuned Sine/Square Wave Oscillators | Wien Bridge Oscillator                                 |
| Wien Bridge Sine Wave Oscillator          | Wien Bridge Sine Wave Oscillator                       |
| Phase Shift Oscillator                    |  |

## WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

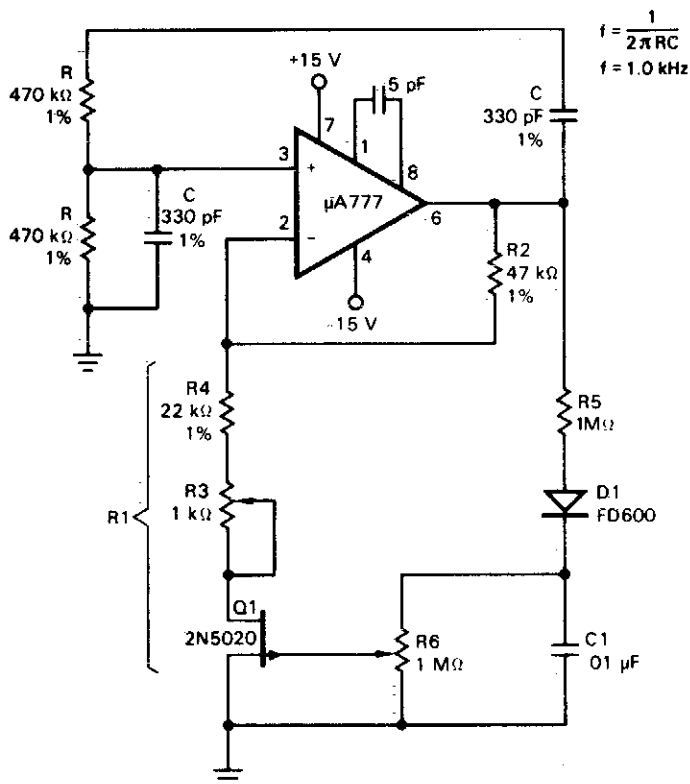


Fig. 7-1

### Circuit Notes

Field effect transistor, Q1, operates in the linear resistive region to provide automatic gain control. Because the attenuation of the RC network is one-third at the zero phase-shift oscillation frequency, the amplifier gain determined by resistor R2 and equivalent resistor R1 must be just equal to three to make up the unity gain positive feedback requirement needed for stable oscillation. Resistors R3 and R4 are set to approximately 1000 ohm less than

the required R1 resistance. The FET dynamically provides the trimming resistance needed to make R1 one-half of the resistance of R2. The circuit composed of R5, D1, and C1 isolates, rectifies, and filters the output sine wave, converting it into a dc potential to control the gate of the FET. For the low drain-to-source voltages used, the FET provides a symmetrical linear resistance for a given gate-to-source voltage.

### WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

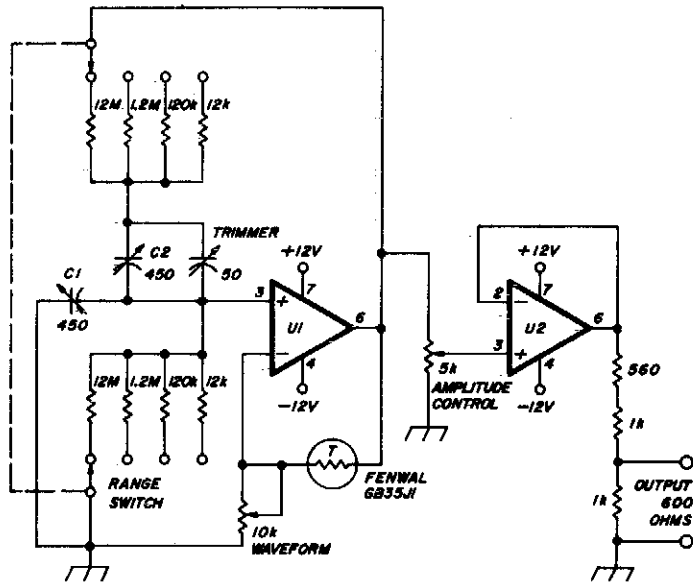


Fig. 7-2

### Circuit Notes

Wien bridge sine-wave oscillator using two RCA CA3140 op amps covers 30 Hz to 100 kHz with less than 0.5 percent total harmonic distortion. The 10k pot is adjusted for the best waveform. Capacitor C1 and C2 are a two-gang, 450-pF variable with its frame isolated from ground. Maximum output into a 600-ohm load is about 1 volt rms.

### WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

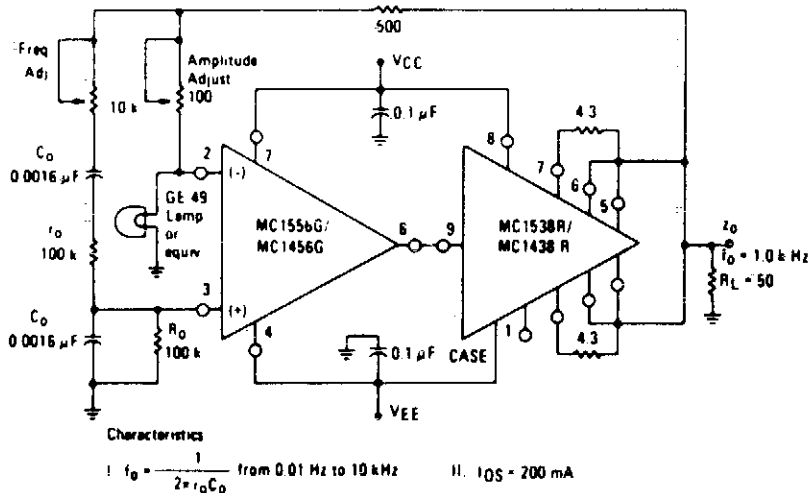


Fig. 7-3

## VERY LOW FREQUENCY GENERATOR

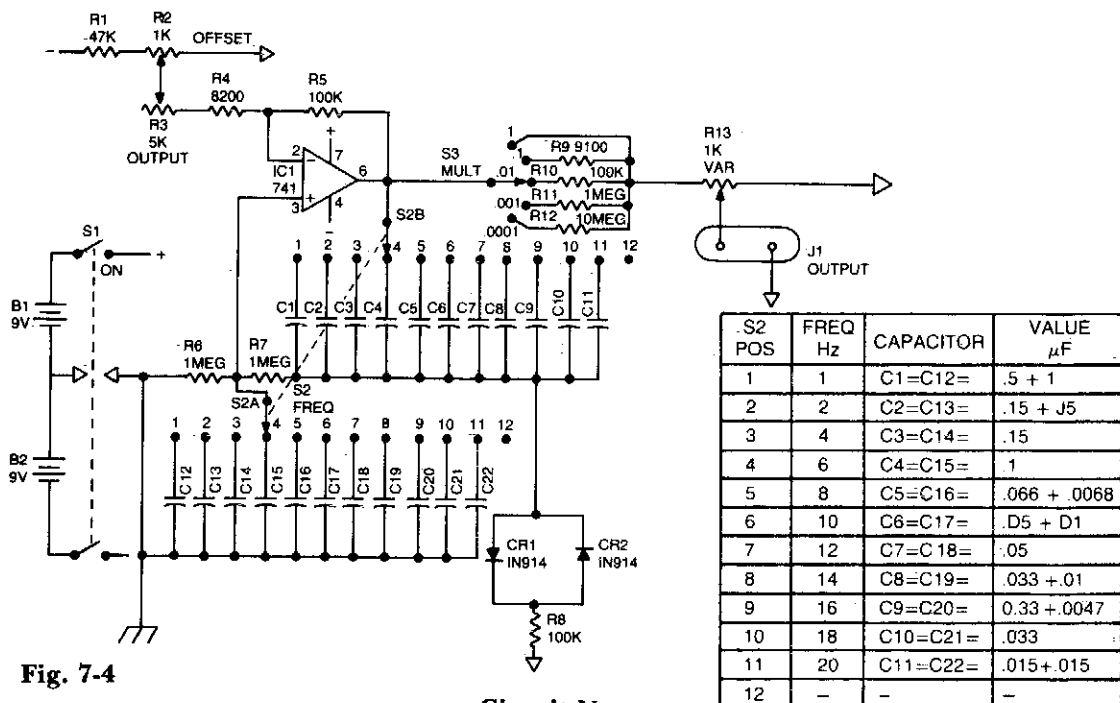


Fig. 7-4

### Circuit Notes

Wien bridge oscillator generates frequencies of 1 Hz and 2 to 20 Hz in 2 Hz steps. Maximum output amplitude is 3 volts rms of 8.5 volts peak-to-peak. A pot-and-switch at-

tenuator allows the output level to be set with a fair degree of precision to any value within a range of 5 decades.

## AUDIO OSCILLATOR

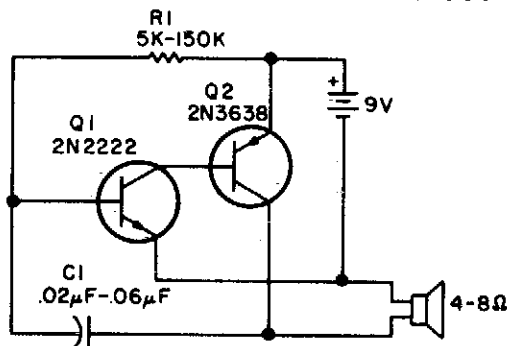


Fig. 7-5

### Circuit Notes

Almost any transistor will work. R1 and C1 will vary the tone.

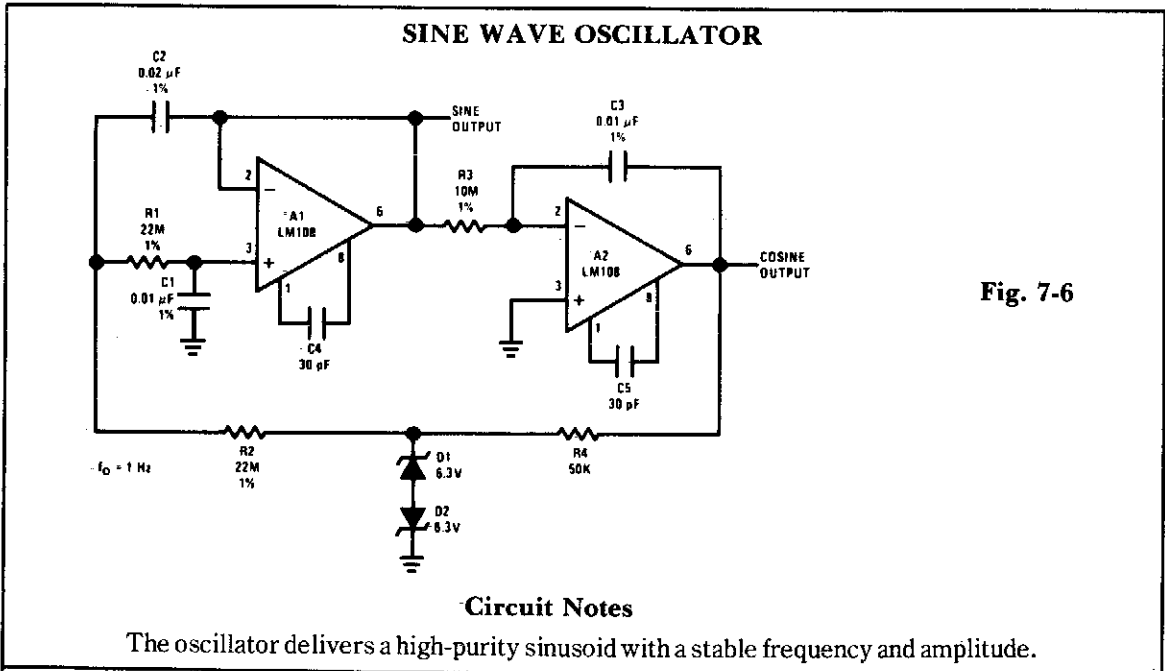


Fig. 7-6

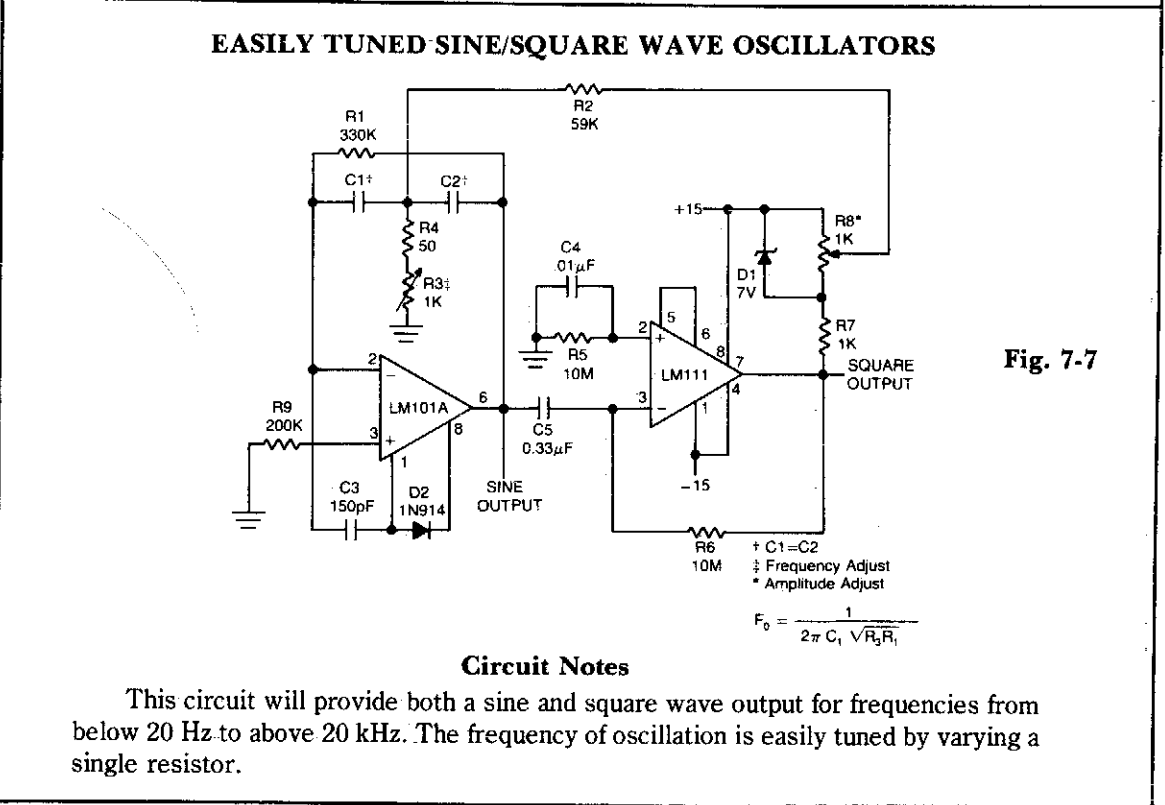
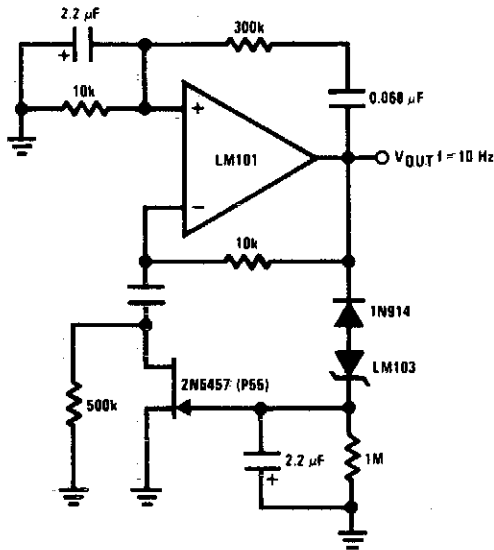


Fig. 7-7

### WIEN BRIDGE SINE WAVE OSCILLATOR



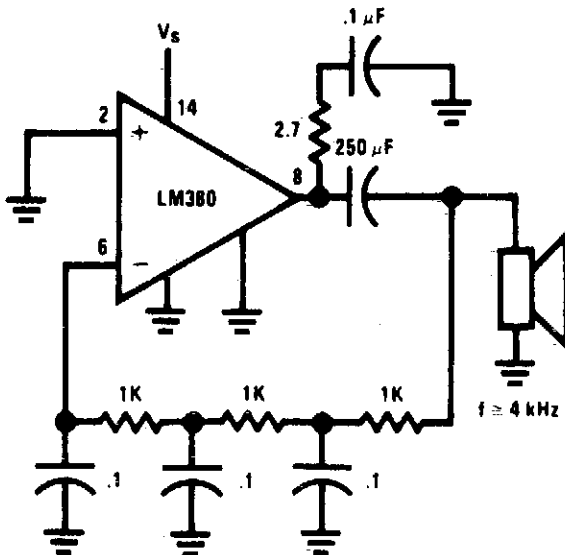
#### Circuit Notes

Using the 2N5457 JFET as a voltage variable resistor in the amplifier feedback loop, produces a low distortion, constant amplitude sine wave getting the amplifier loop-gain just right. The LM103 zener diode provides the voltage reference for the peak sine wave amplitude.

Peak output voltage  
 $V_p \approx V_z + 1V$

Fig. 7-8

### PHASE-SHIFT OSCILLATOR

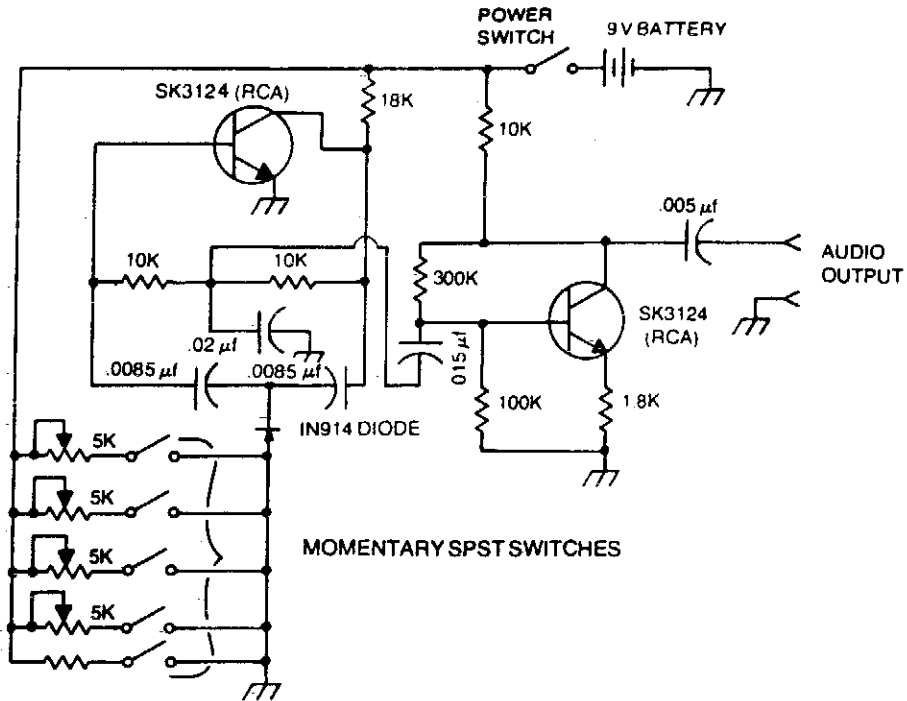


#### Circuit Notes

Circuit uses a simple RC network to produce an exceptionally shrill tone from a miniature speaker. With the parts values shown, the circuit oscillates at a frequency of 3.6 kHz and drives a miniature 2½" speaker with ear-piercing volume. The output waveform is a square wave with a width of 150 μs, sloping rise and fall times, and a peak-to-peak amplitude of 4.2 volts (when powered by 9 volts). Current drain of the oscillator is 90 mA at 9 volts, and total power dissipation at this voltage is 0.81 watt, which is well below the 1.25 watts the 14-pin version will absorb (at room temperature) before shutting down.

Fig. 7-9

## TONE ENCODER

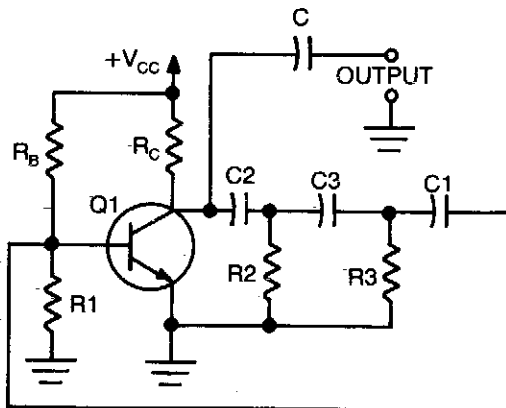


**Fig. 7-10**

### Circuit Notes

A basic twin-T circuit uses resistors for accurately setting the frequency of the output tones, selected by pushbutton. Momentary switches produce a tone only when the button is depressed.

## FEEDBACK OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

Circuit oscillates because the transistor shifts the phase of the signal  $180^\circ$  from the base to the collector. Each of the RC networks in the circuit is designed to shift the phase  $60^\circ$  at the frequency of oscillation for a total of  $180^\circ$ . The appropriate values of R and C for each network is found from  $f = 1/2\sqrt{3\pi RC}$ ; that equation allows for the  $60^\circ$  phase shift required by the design.

**Fig. 7-11**

### PHASE SHIFT OSCILLATOR

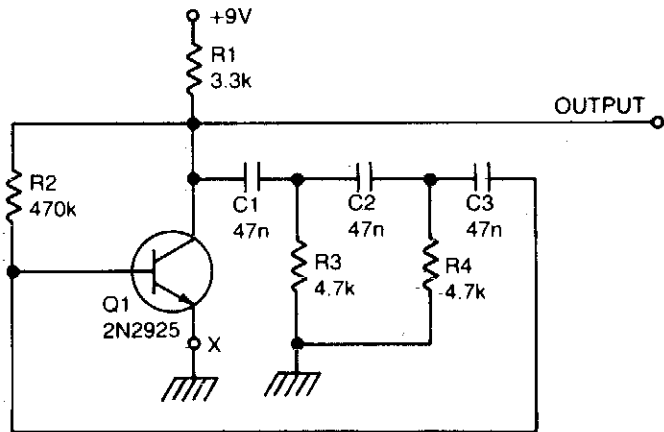


Fig. 7-12

#### Circuit Notes

A single transistor makes a simple phase shift oscillator. The output is a sine wave with distortion of about 10%. The sine wave purity can be increased by putting a variable resistor (25 ohms) in the emitter lead of Q1 (x). The resistor is adjusted so the circuit is only just oscillating, then the sine wave is relatively pure. Operating frequency may be varied by

putting a 10 K variable resistor in series with R3, or by changing C1, C2, and C3. Making C1, 2, 3 equal to 100 nF will halve the operating frequency. Operating frequency can also be voltage controlled by a FET in series with R3, or optically controlled by an LDR in series with R3.

### 800 Hz OSCILLATOR

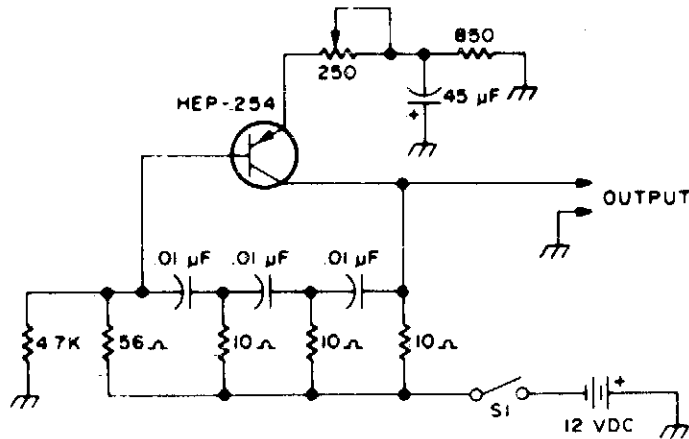


Fig. 7-13

#### Circuit Notes

The following transistors may be used: HEP-254, O.C-2, SK-3004, AT30H. To increase the frequency, decrease the value of the capacitors in the ladder network.



### TUNABLE SINGLE COMPARATOR OSCILLATOR

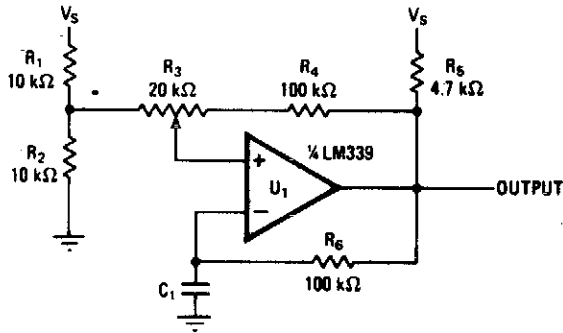


Fig. 7-14

#### Circuit Notes

Varying the amount of this comparator circuit's hysteresis makes it possible to vary output frequencies in the 740-Hz to 2.7-kHz range smoothly. The amount of hysteresis together with time constant  $R_6C_1$  determines how much time it takes for  $C_1$  to charge or discharge to the new threshold after the output voltage switches.

### WIDE RANGE OSCILLATOR (FREQUENCY RANGE OF 5000 TO 1)

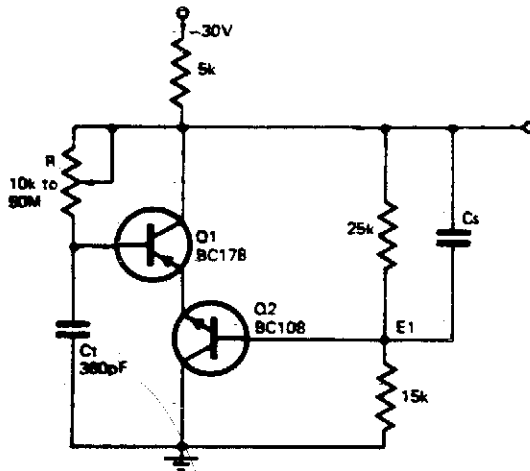


Fig. 7-15

#### Circuit Notes

Timing resistor  $R$  may be adjusted to any value between 10 K and 50 M to obtain a frequency range from 400 kHz to 100 Hz. Returning the timing resistor to the collector of  $Q_1$  ensures that  $Q_1$  draws its base current only from the timing capacitor  $C_t$ . The timing capacitor recharges when the transistors are off, to a voltage equal to the base emitter voltage of  $Q_2$  plus the base emitter drops of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The transistors then start into conduction. Capacitor  $C_s$  is used to speed up the transition. A suitable value would be in the region of 100 pF.

### WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

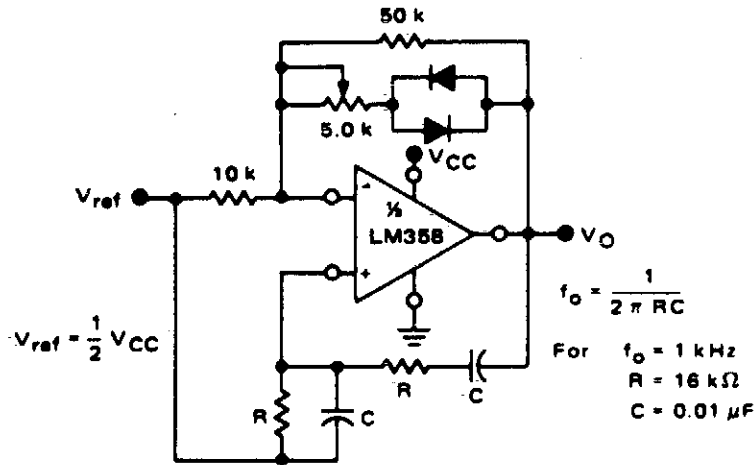


Fig. 7-16

### WIEN BRIDGE SINE WAVE OSCILLATOR

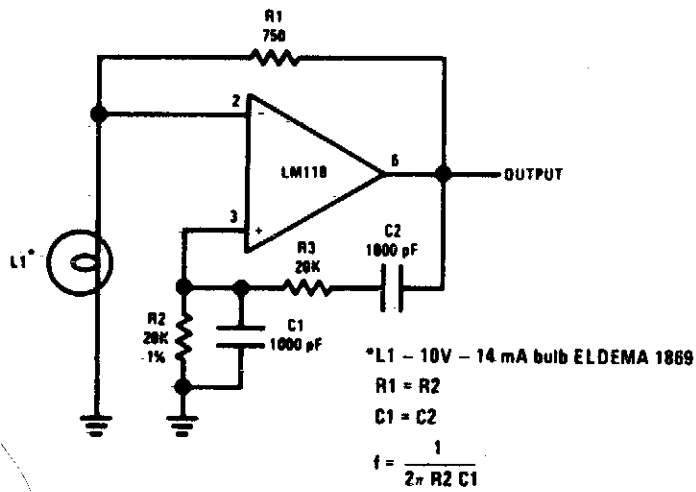


Fig. 7-17

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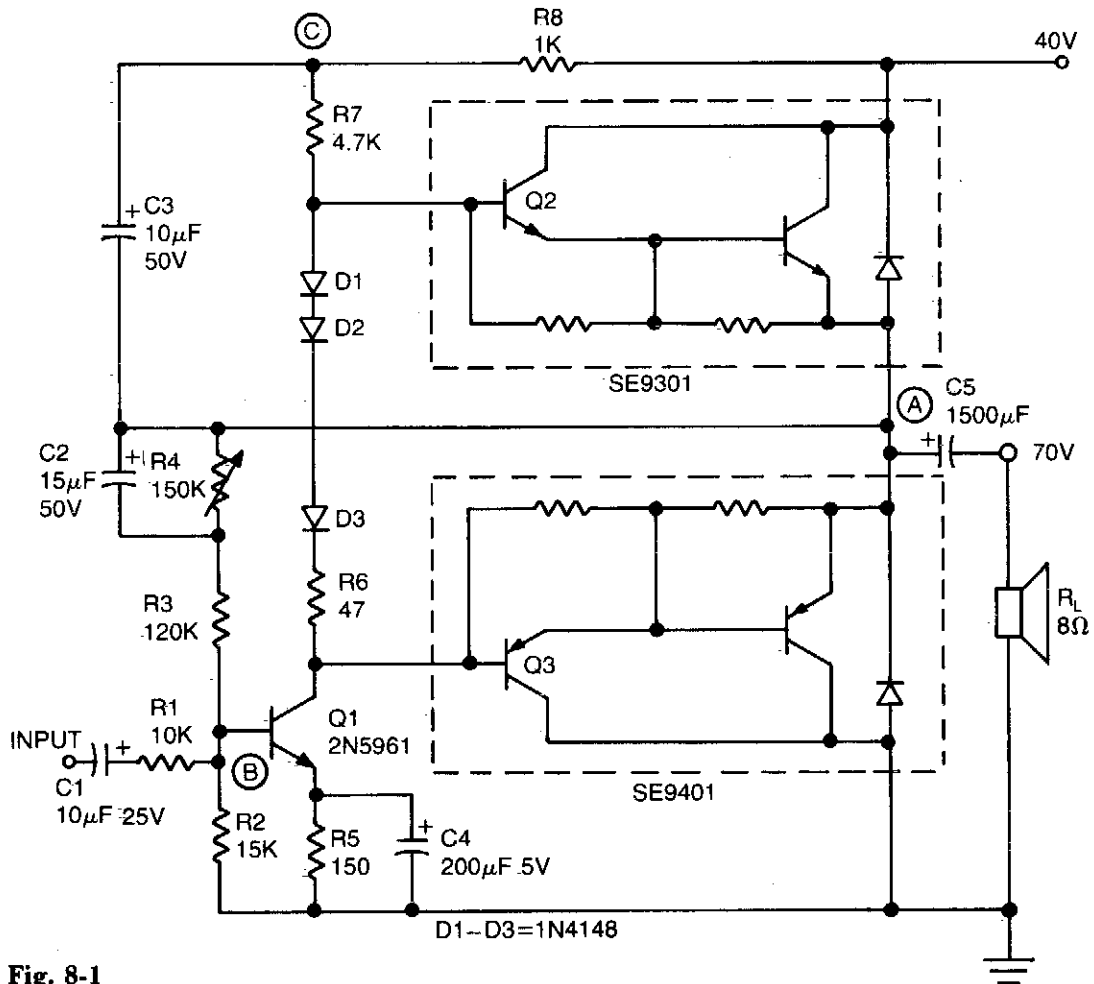
## Audio Power Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- Low Cost 20 W Audio Amplifier
- 75 Watt Audio Amplifier with Load Line Protection
- Bridge Amplifier
- Noninverting Amplifier Using Single Supply
- Noninverting Amplifier Using Split Supply
- 6 W, 8 Ohm Output Transformerless Amplifier
- 12 W Low-Distortion Power Amplifier
- 10 W Power Amplifier
- Stereo Amplifier with  $A_v = 200$
- AM Radio Power Amplifier
- 470 mW Complementary-Symmetry Audio Amplifier
- Novel Loudspeaker Coupling Circuit
- Noninverting Ac Power Amplifier
- Inverting Power Amplifier
- Noninverting Power Amplifier
- 4 W Bridge Amplifier
- Phono Amplifier with a "Common Mode" Volume and Tone with Control
- Phono Amplifier
- Phonograph Amplifier (Ceramic Cartridge)
- Inverting Unity Gain Amplifier
- Bridge Audio Power Amplifier
- Phono Amplifier
- High Slew Rate Power Op Amp/Audio Amp
- 16 W Bridge Amplifier

## LOW COST 20 W AUDIO AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 8-1**

### Circuit Notes

This simple inexpensive audio amplifier can be constructed using a couple of TO-220 monolithic Darlington transistors for the push-pull output stage. Frequency response is flat within 1 dB from 30 Hz to 200 kHz with typical harmonic distortion below 0.2%. The amplifier requires only 1.2  $V_{rms}$  for a full 20-W output into an 8 ohm load. Only one other transistor is needed, the TO-92 low-noise high-gain 2N5961 (Q1), to provide voltage gain for driving the output Darlings. Its base

(point B) is the tie point for ac and dc feedback as well as for the signal input. Input resistance is 10 K. The center voltage at point A is set by adjusting resistor R4. A bootstrap circuit boosts the collector supply voltage of Q1 (point C) to ensure sufficient drive voltage for Q2. This also provides constant voltage across R7, which therefore acts as a current source and, together with diodes D1-D3, reduces low-signal crossover distortion.

# 75 WATT AUDIO AMPLIFIER WITH LOAD LINE PROTECTION

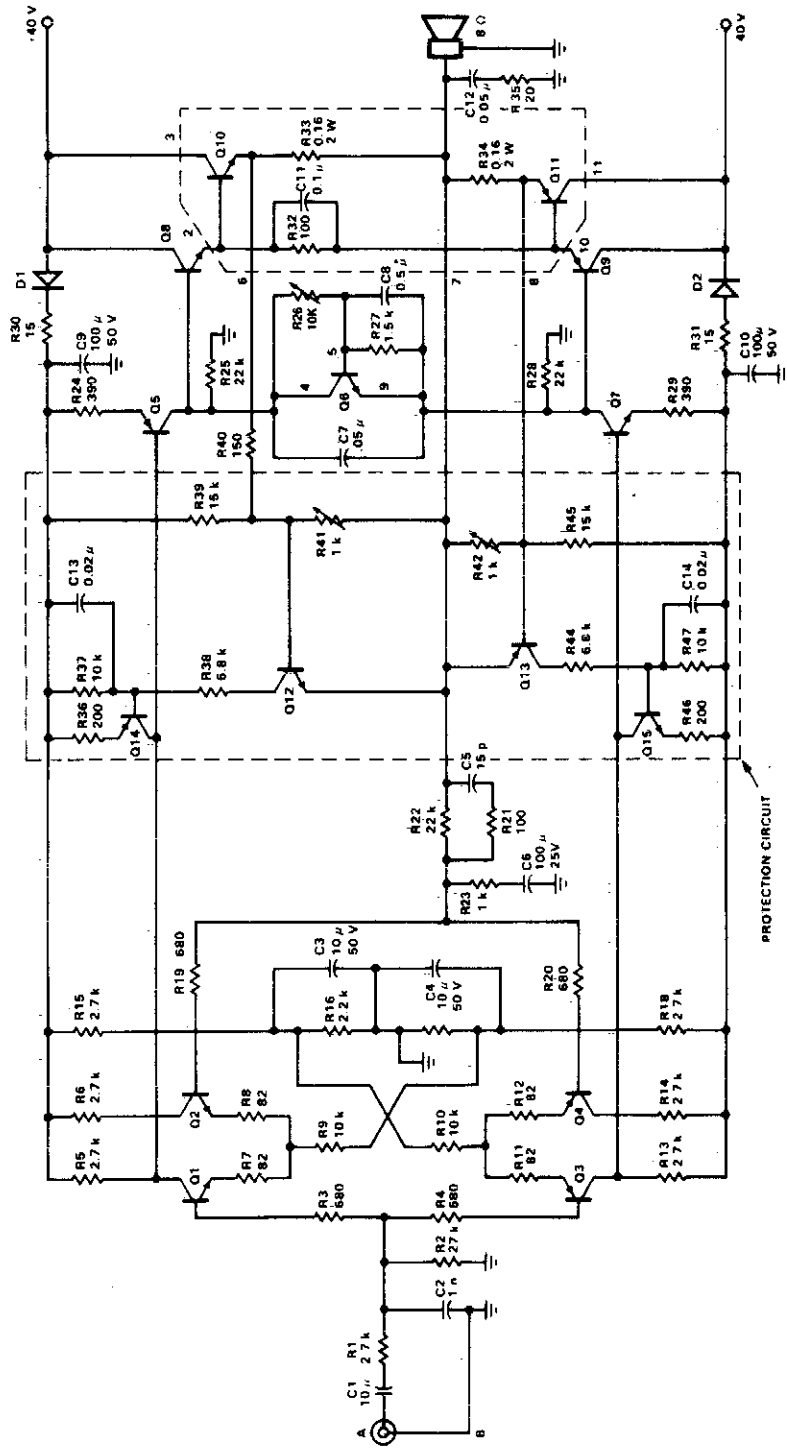
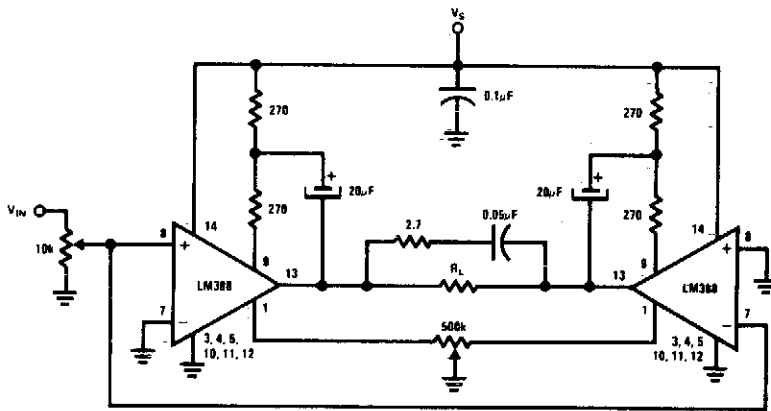


Fig. 8-2

## BRIDGE AMPLIFIER



$V_S = 6V$   $R_L = 4\Omega$   $P_O = 1.0W$   
 $V_S = 12V$   $R_L = 8\Omega$   $P_O = 3.5W$

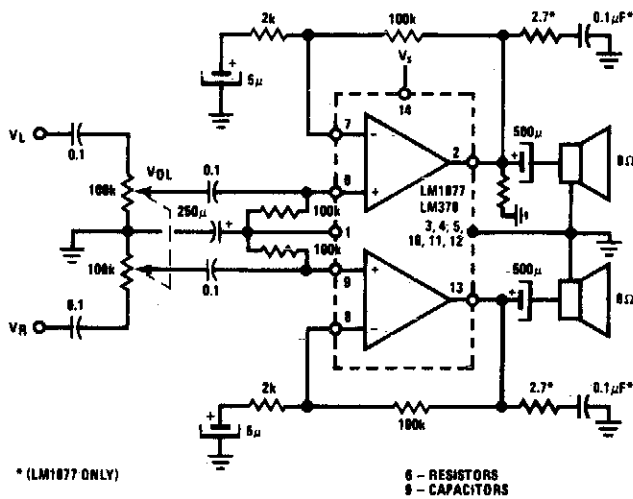
**Fig. 8-3**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is for low voltage applications requiring high power outputs. Output power levels of 1.0 W into 4 ohm from 6 V and 3.5 W into 8 ohm from 12 V are typical. Coupling capacitors are not necessary since the output

dc levels will be within a few tenths of a volt of each other. Where critical matching is required the 500 K potentiometer is added and adjusted for zero dc current flow through the load.

## NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER USING SINGLE SUPPLY



\* (LM1877 ONLY)

6 - RESISTORS  
9 - CAPACITORS

**Fig. 8-4**

### NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER USING SPLIT SUPPLY

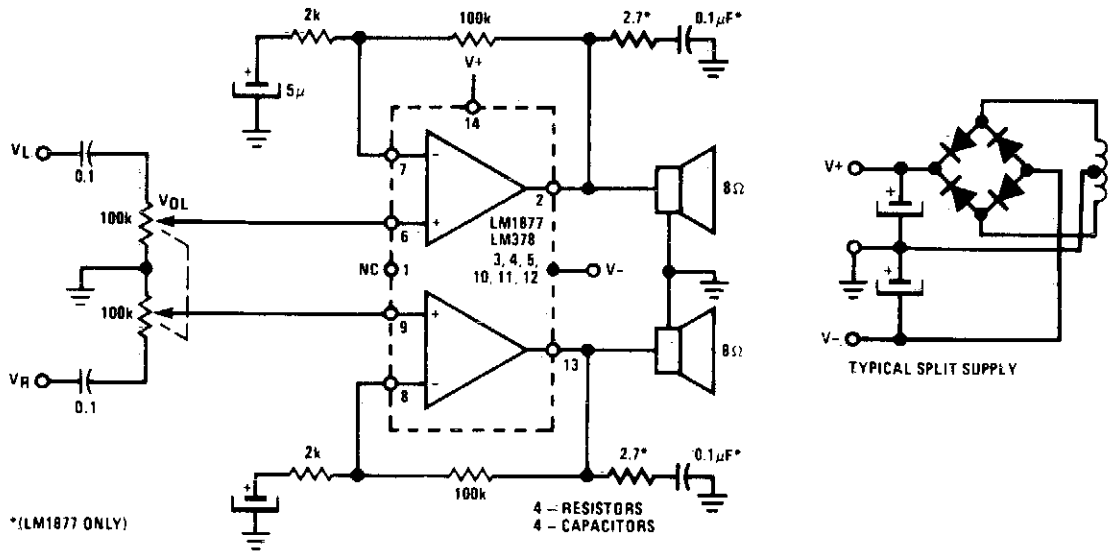


Fig. 8-5

### 6 W, 8'OHM OUTPUT TRANSFORMERLESS AMPLIFIER

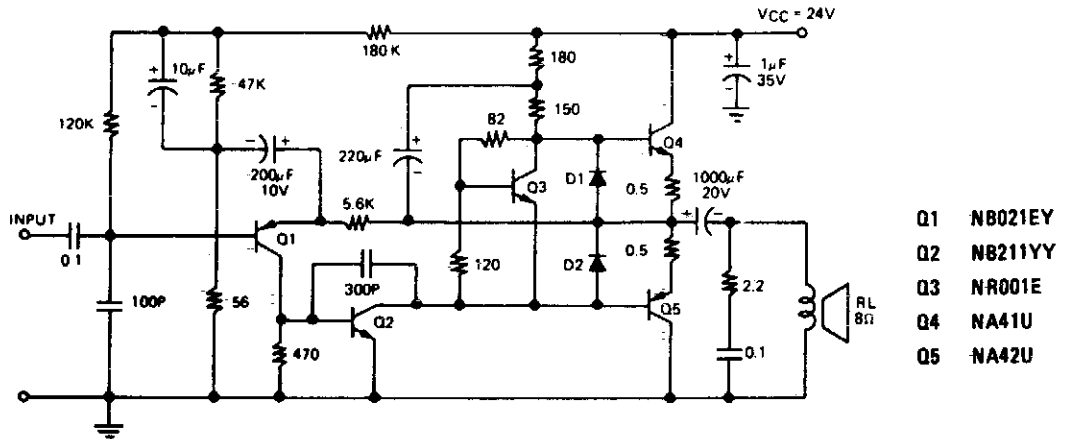
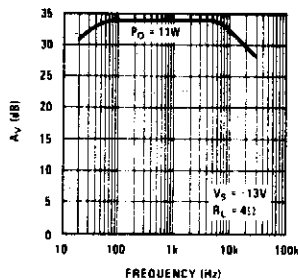
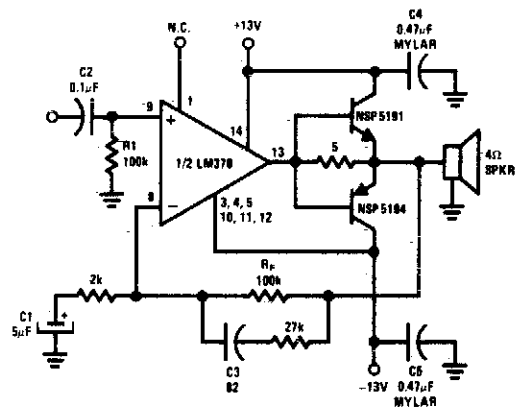
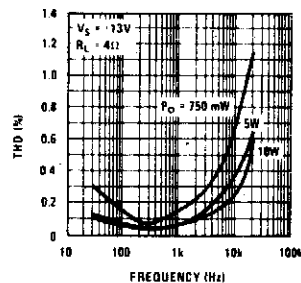


Fig. 8-6

## 12 W LOW-DISTORTION POWER AMPLIFIER



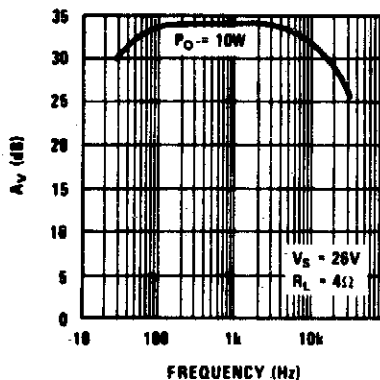
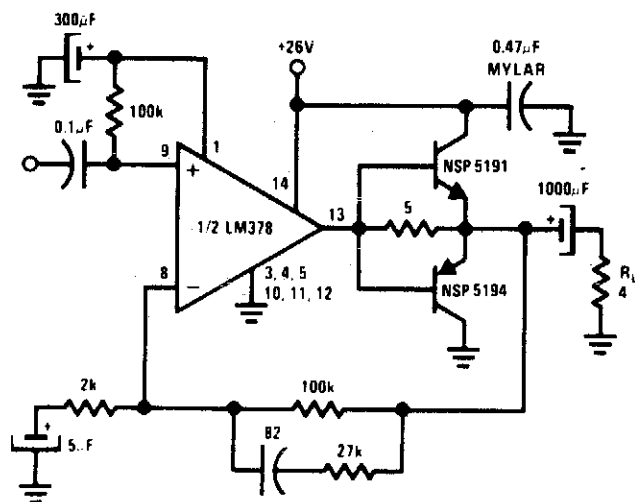
Response for Amplifier



Distortion for Amplifier

Fig. 8-7

## 10 W POWER AMPLIFIER



Frequency Response

Fig. 8-8



### STEREO AMPLIFIER WITH $A_v = 200$

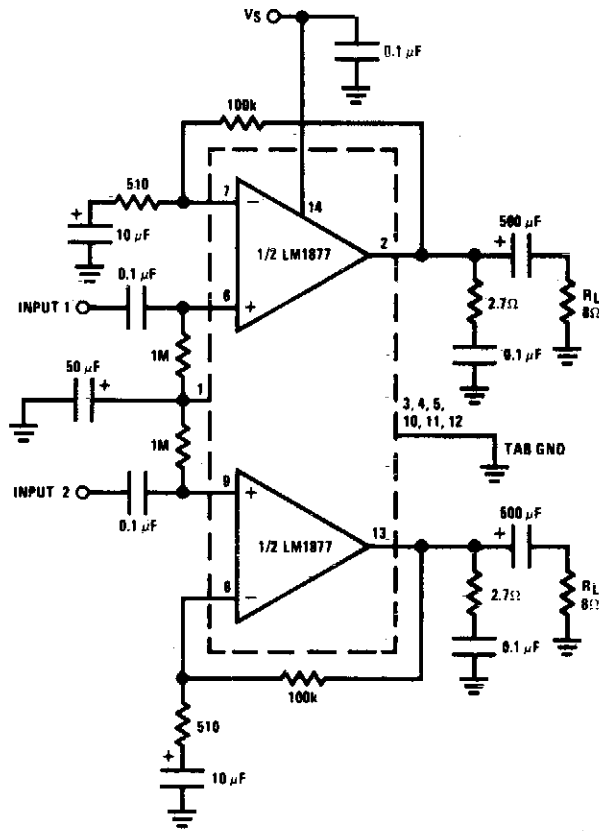
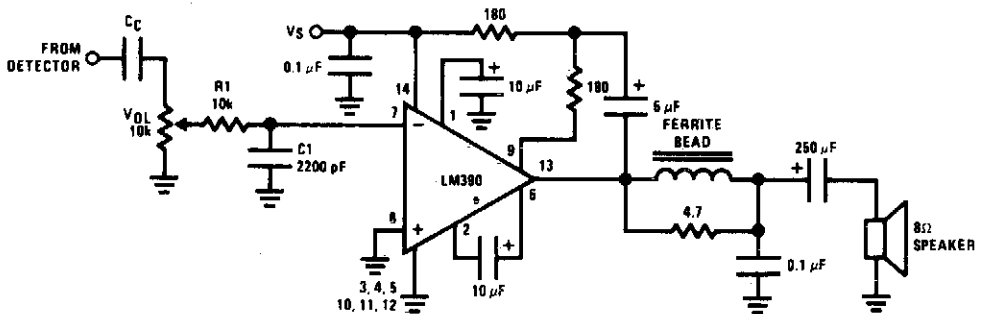


Fig. 8-9

### AM RADIO POWER AMPLIFIER



- Note 1:** Twist supply lead and supply ground very tightly.  
**Note 2:** Twist speaker lead and ground very tightly.  
**Note 3:** Ferrite bead is Ferroxcube K5-001-001/3B with 3 turns of wire.

- Note 4:** R1C1 band limits input signals.  
**Note 5:** All components must be spaced very close to IC.

Fig. 8-10

### 470 mW COMPLEMENTARY-SYMMETRY AUDIO AMPLIFIER

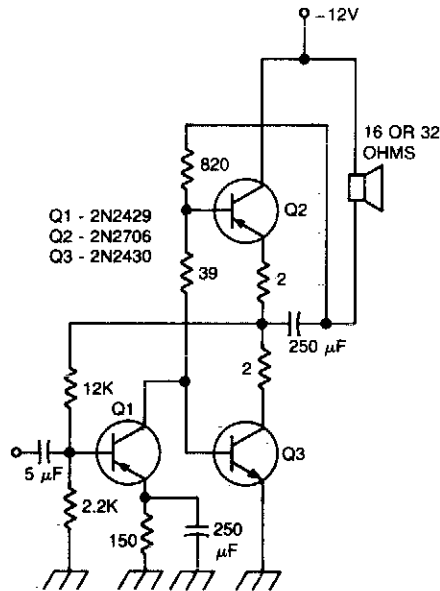


Fig. 8-11

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has less than 2% distortion and is flat within 3 dB from 15 Hz to 130 kHz.

### NOVEL LOUDSPEAKER COUPLING CIRCUIT

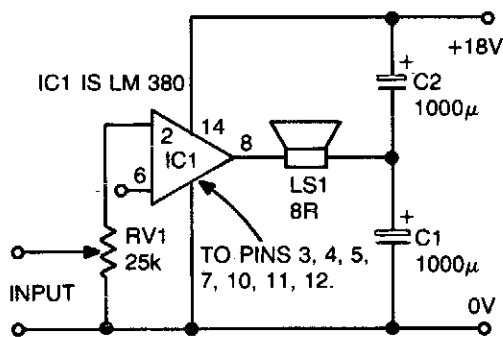


Fig. 8-12

#### Circuit Notes

The ground side of the speaker is connected to the junction of two equal high value capacitors (1000  $\mu$ F is typical) across the supply. The amplifier output voltage will be  $V_s/2$ , and so will the voltage across C1 (if C1 and C2 are equal); so as the supply voltage builds up, the dc voltage across the speaker will remain zero, eliminating the switch-on surge. C1 and C2 will also provide supply smoothing. The circuit is shown with the LM380, but could be applied to any amplifier circuit, providing that the dc voltage at the output is half the supply voltage.

### NONINVERTING AC POWER AMPLIFIER

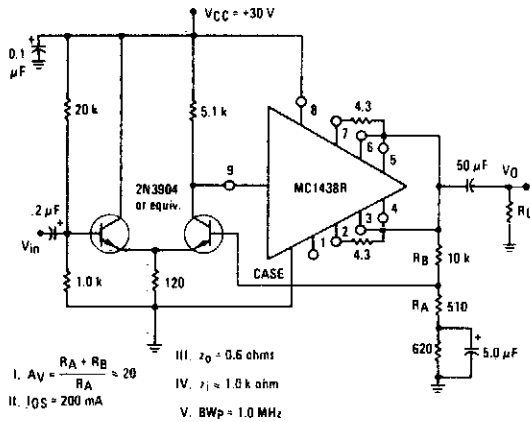


Fig. 8-13

### NONINVERTING POWER AMPLIFIER

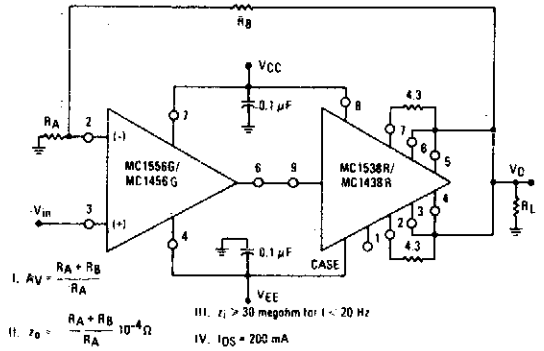


Fig. 8-15

### INVERTING POWER AMPLIFIER

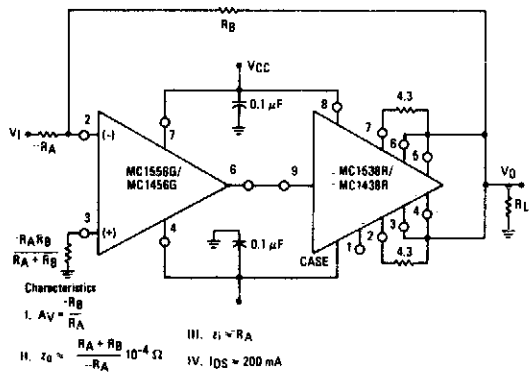


Fig. 8-14

### 4 W BRIDGE AMPLIFIER

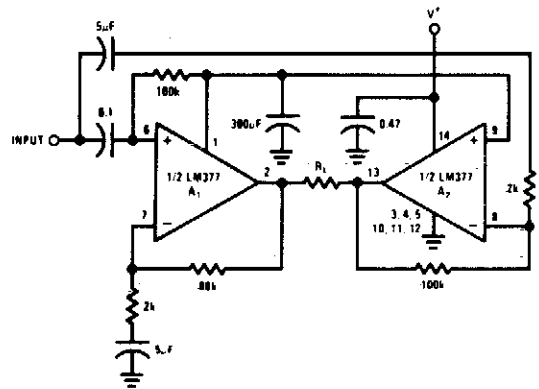


Fig. 8-16

### PHONO AMPLIFIER WITH "COMMON MODE" VOLUME AND TONE CONTROL

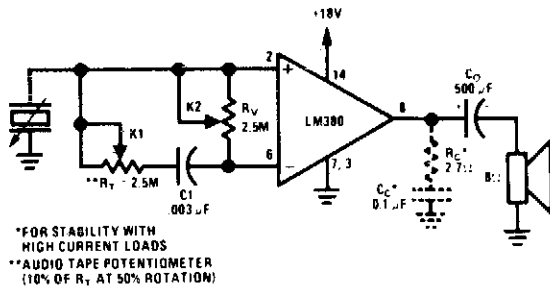


Fig. 8-17

### PHONOGRAPH AMPLIFIER (CERAMIC CARTRIDGE)

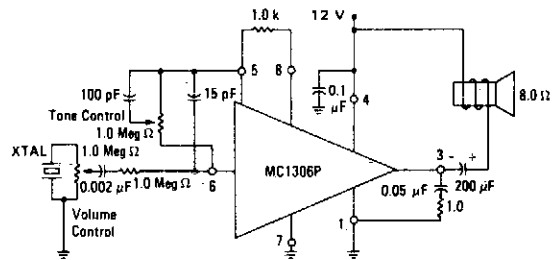


Fig. 8-19

### PHONO AMPLIFIER

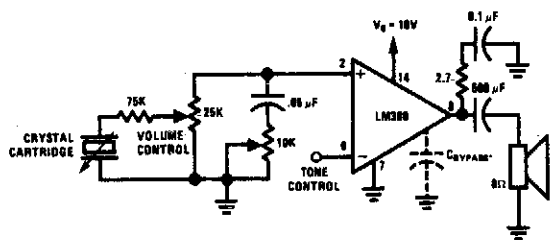


Fig. 8-18

### INVERTING UNITY GAIN AMPLIFIER

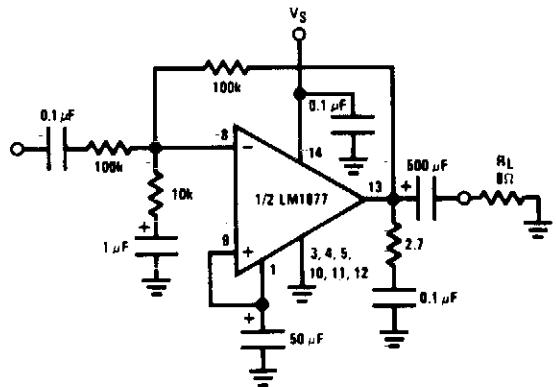
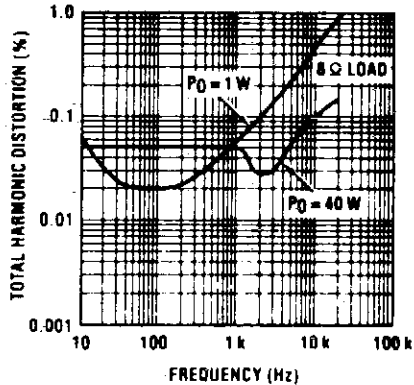
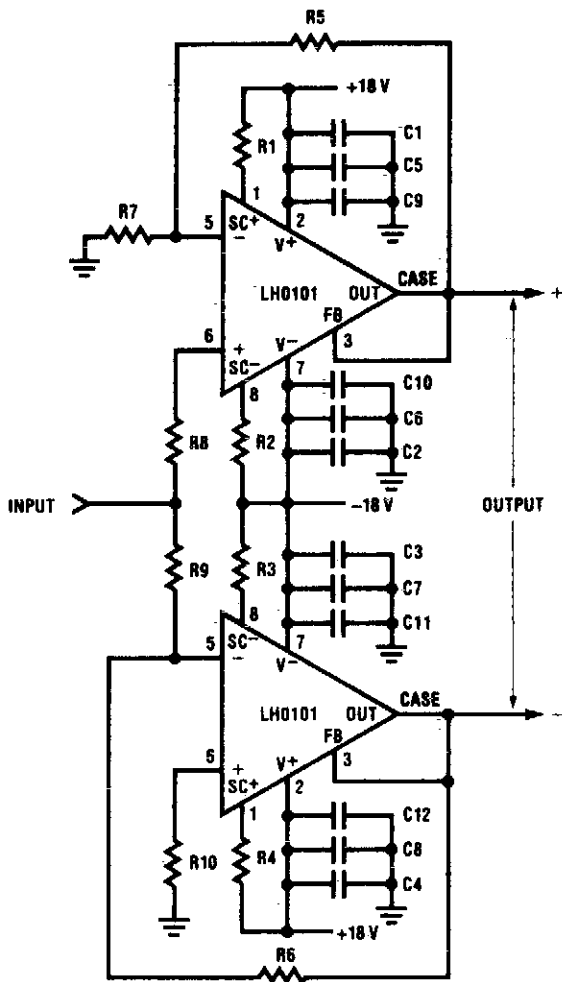


Fig. 8-20

## BRIDGE AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER

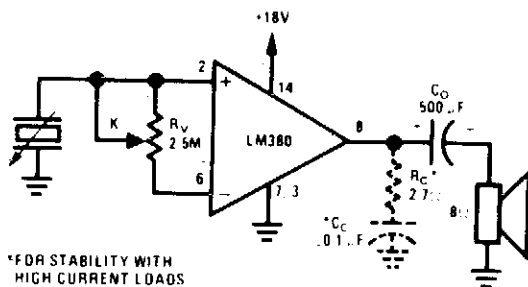


Total Harmonic Distortion vs. Frequency of Bridge Power Amplifier

|        |                        |                         |
|--------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| R1-R4  | CURRENT LIMIT RESISTOR | 0.15 Ω 2 W              |
| R5     | FEEDBACK RESISTOR      | 5 kΩ                    |
| R6     | FEEDBACK RESISTOR      | 15 kΩ                   |
| R7-R10 | INPUT RESISTORS        | 10 kΩ                   |
| C1-C4  | BYPASS CAPACITORS      | 47 μF 25 V ELECTROLYTIC |
| C5-C8  | BYPASS CAPACITORS      | 10 μF 25 V TANTALUM     |
| C9-C12 | BYPASS CAPACITORS      | 0.1 μF 25V CERAMIC      |

Fig. 8-21

## PHONO AMPLIFIER



\*FOR STABILITY WITH HIGH CURRENT LOADS

### Circuit Notes

Used when maximum input impedance is required or the signal attenuation of the voltage divider volume control is undesirable.

Fig. 8-22

## HIGH SLEW RATE POWER OP AMP/AUDIO AMP

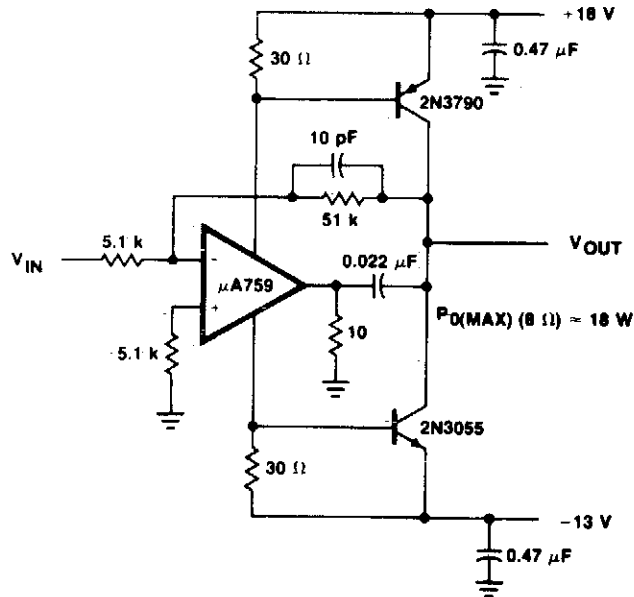


Fig. 8-23

### Features

- High Slew Rate  $9 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$
- High 3 dB Power Bandwidth 85 kHz
- 18 Watts Output Power Into an  $8 \Omega$  Load.
- Low Distortion — .2%, 10 VRMS, 1 kHz Into  $8 \Omega$

## 16 W BRIDGE AMPLIFIER

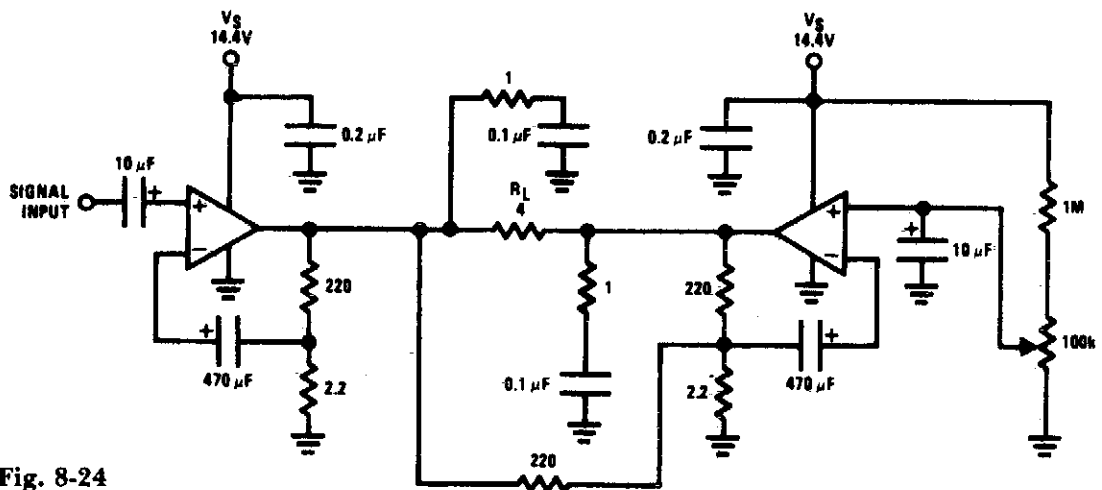


Fig. 8-24

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## Audio Signal Amplifiers

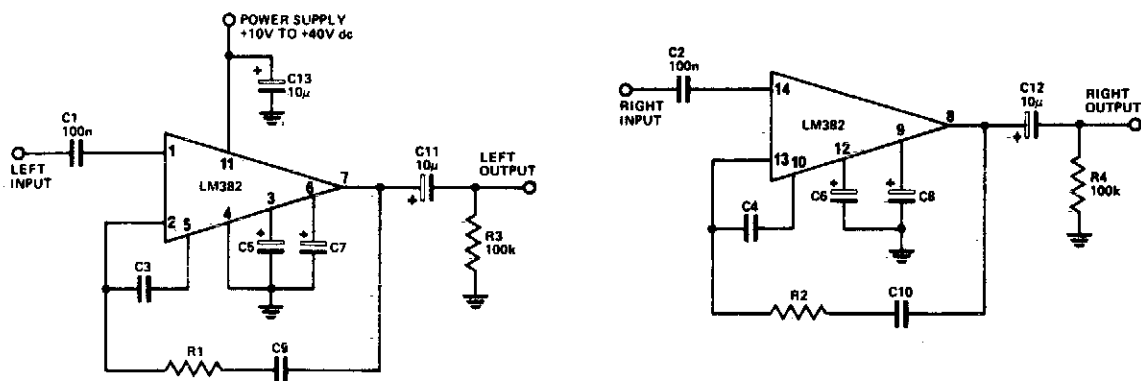
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General Purpose Preamplifier  
Basic Transistor Amplifier Circuits  
Microphone Amplifier  
Transducer Amplifier  
Ultra-High Gain Audio Amplifier  
Transformerless Microphone Preamp (Balanced Inputs)  
Transformerless Microphone Preamp (Unbalanced Inputs)  
Magnetic Pickup Phone Preamplifier  
Disc/Tape Phase Modulated Readback Systems

Two-Pole Fast Turn-On NAB Tape Preamplifier  
Tape Preamplifier (NAB Equation)  
LM382 Phono Preamplifier  
Tape Recording Amplifier  
Magnetic Phono Preamplifier  
Phono Preamp  
Remote Amplifier  
Adjustable Gain Noninverting Amplifier  
High Gain Inverting AC Amplifier  
Flat Response Amplifier  
Preamplifier with RIAA/NAB Compensation  
Tape Playback Amplifier

## GENERAL PURPOSE PREAMPLIFIER



| FUNCTION            | C3, 4 | C5, 6 | C7, 8 | C9, 10 | R1, 2 |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Phono preamp (RIAA) | 330n  | 10µF  | 10µF  | 1n5    | 1k    |
| Tape preamp (NAB)   | 68n   | 10µF  | 10µF  | —      | —     |
| Flat 40dB gain      | —     | —     | 10µF  | —      | —     |
| Flat 55dB gain      | —     | 10µF  | —     | —      | —     |
| Flat 80dB gain      | —     | 10µF  | 10µF  | —      | —     |

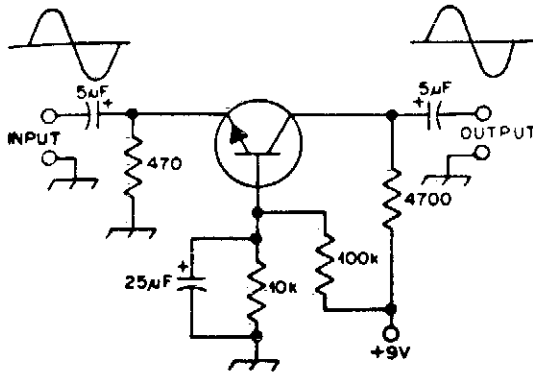
Fig. 9-1

### Circuit Notes

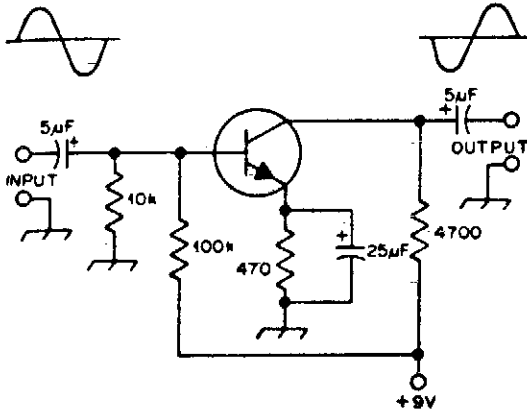
Not much can be said about how the LM382 works as most of the circuitry is contained within the IC. Most of the frequency-determining components are on the chip—only the capacitors are mounted externally. The LM382 has the convenient characteristic of rejecting ripple on the supply line by about 100 dB, thus greatly reducing the quality requirement for the power supply.



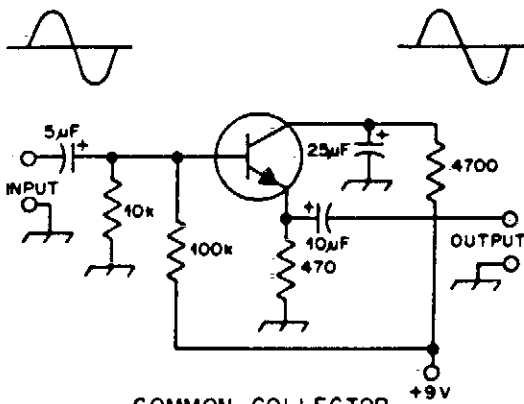
## BASIC TRANSISTOR AMPLIFIER CIRCUITS



COMMON BASE



COMMON EMITTER



COMMON COLLECTOR

### Circuit Notes

Typical component values are given for use at audio frequencies, where these circuits are used most often. The input and output phase relationships are shown.

Fig. 9-2

## ELECTRONIC BALANCED INPUT MICROPHONE AMPLIFIER

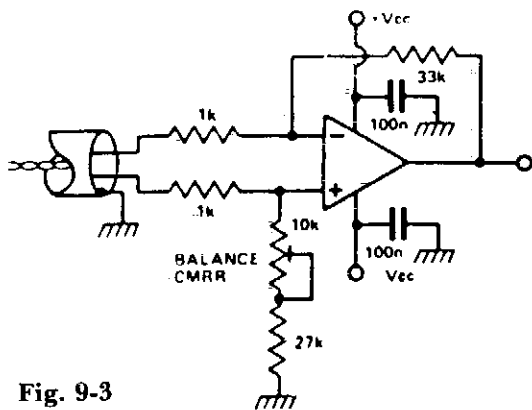


Fig. 9-3

### Circuit Notes

It is possible to simulate the balanced performance of a transformer electronically with a different amplifier. By adjusting the presets, the resistor ratio can be balanced so that the best CMRR is obtained. It is possible to get a better CMRR than from a transformer. Use a RC4136 which is a quad low noise op amp.

## TRANSDUCER AMPLIFIER

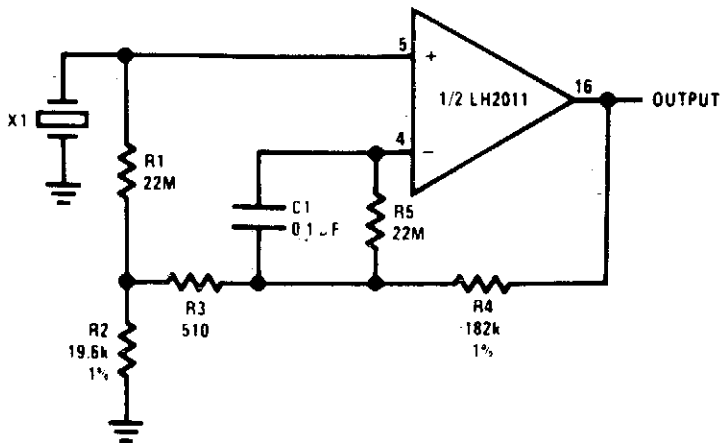


Fig. 9-4

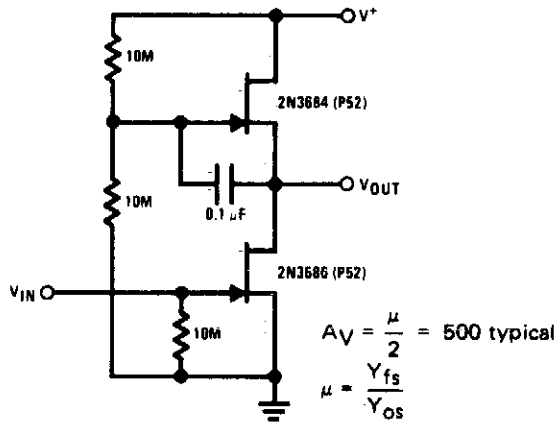
$$R_{IN} = R1 \left( 1 + \frac{R2}{R3} \right) \quad A_v = \frac{R2 + R3 + R4}{R2 \cdot R3}$$

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is high-input-impedance ac amplifier for a piezoelectric transducer. Input

resistance is 880 M, and a gain of 10 is obtained.

## ULTRA-HIGH GAIN AUDIO AMPLIFIER

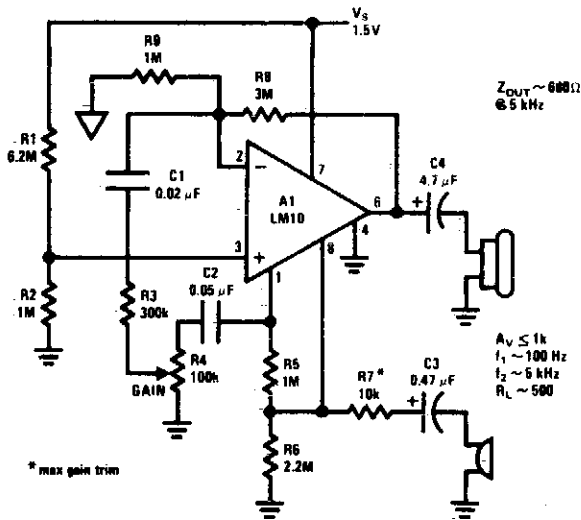


### Circuit Notes

Sometimes called the JFET  $\mu$ -amp, this circuit provides a very low power, high gain amplifying function. Since  $\mu$  of a JFET increases as drain current decreases, the lower drain current is, the more gain you get. Input dynamic range is sacrificed with increasing gain, however.

Fig. 9-5

## MICROPHONE AMPLIFIER



### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates from a 1.5 Vdc source.

Fig. 9-6

## TRANSFORMERLESS (BALANCE INPUTS) MICROPHONE PREAMP

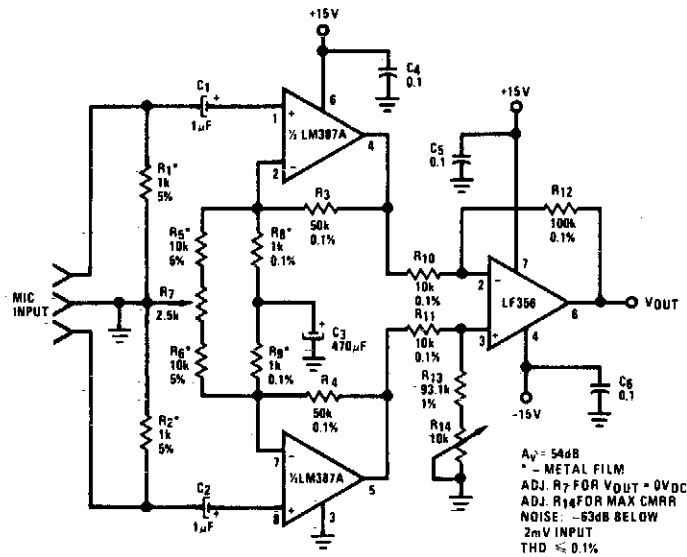


Fig. 9-7

## TRANSFORMERLESS MICROPHONE PREAMPS (UNBALANCED INPUTS)

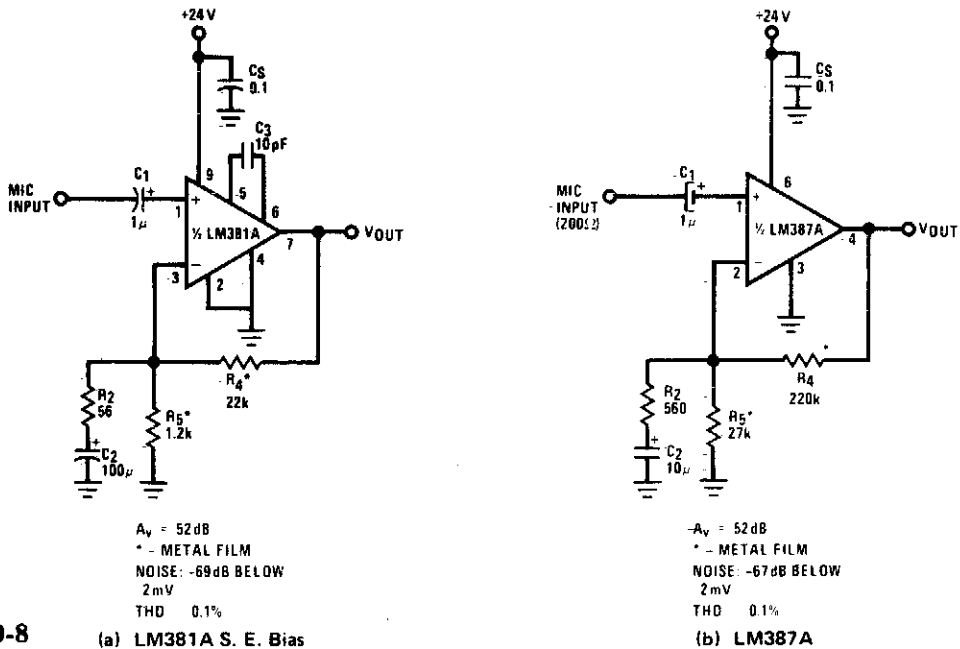


Fig. 9-8



### TWO-POLE FAST TURN-ON NAB TAPE PREAMPLIFIER

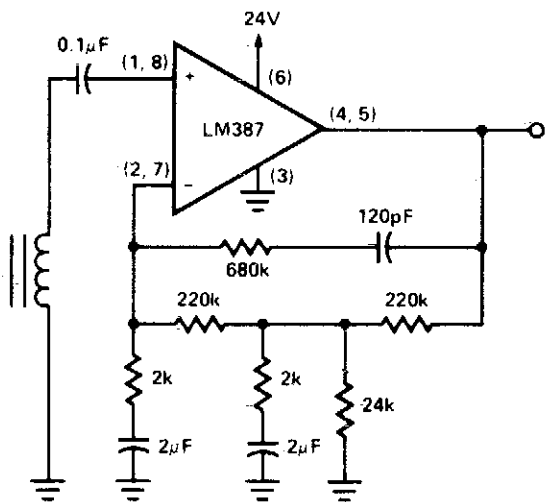


Fig. 9-11

### LM382 PHONO PREAMPLIFIER (RIAA)

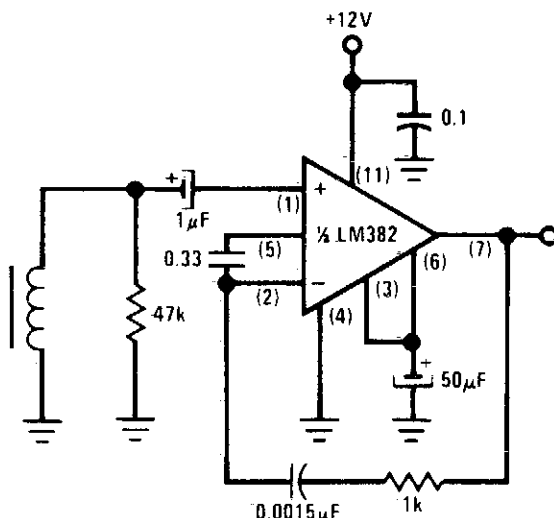


Fig. 9-13

### TAPE PREAMPLIFIER (NAB EQUALIZATION)

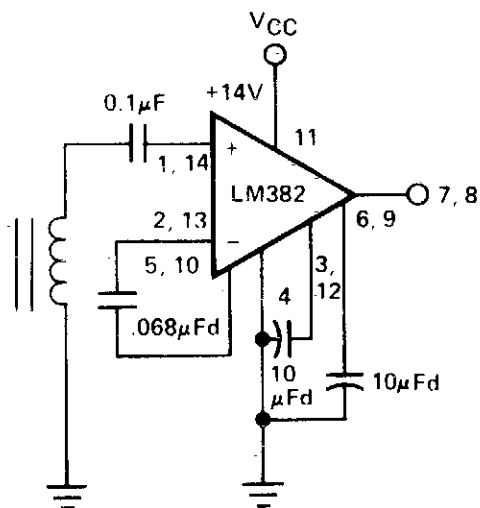


Fig. 9-12

### TAPE RECORDING AMPLIFIER

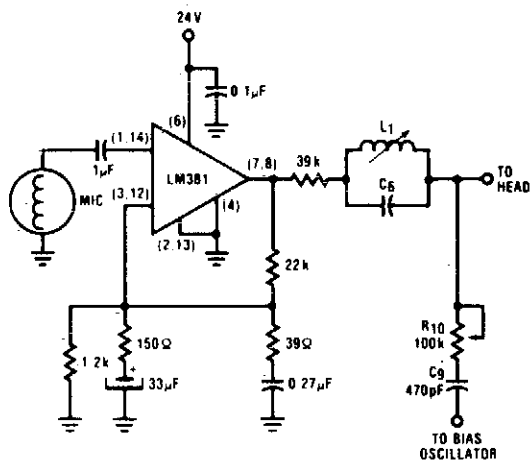


Fig. 9-14

### MAGNETIC PHONO PREAMPLIFIER

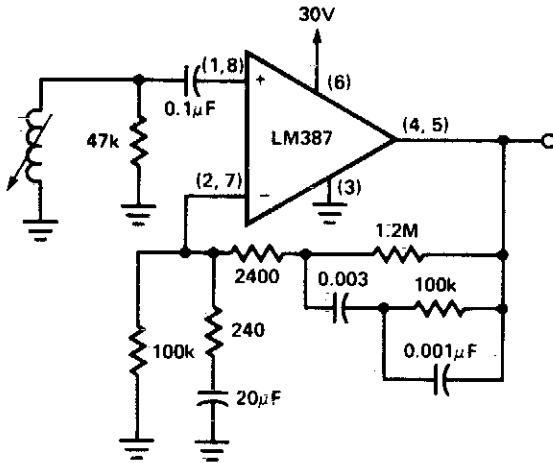


Fig. 9-15

### REMOTE AMPLIFIER

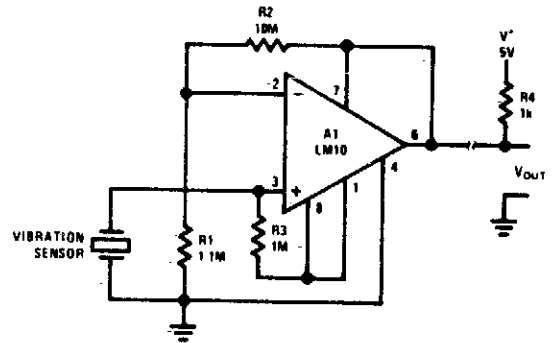
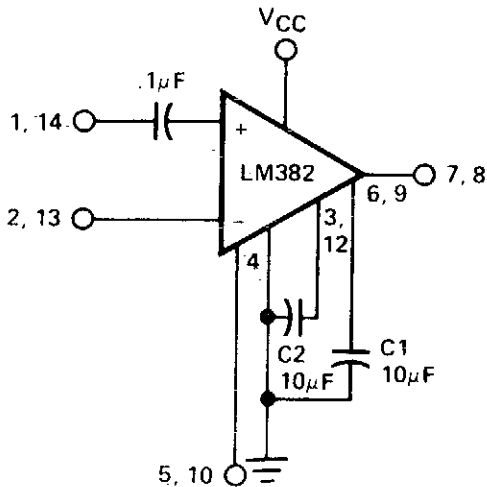


Fig. 9-17

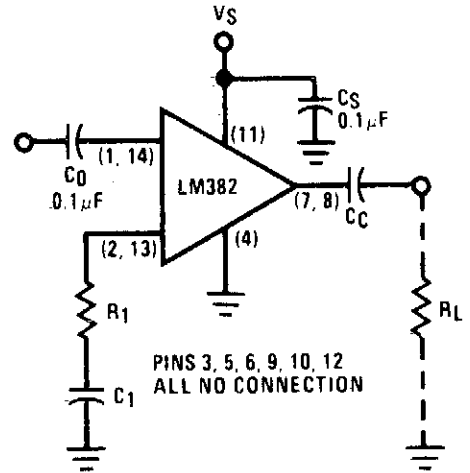
### PHONO PREAMP (RIAA EQUALIZATION)



| CAPACITOR | GAIN |
|-----------|------|
| C1 Only   | 40dB |
| C2 Only   | 55dB |
| C1 & C2   | 80dB |

Fig. 9-16

### ADJUSTABLE GAIN NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER



PINS 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12  
ALL NO CONNECTION

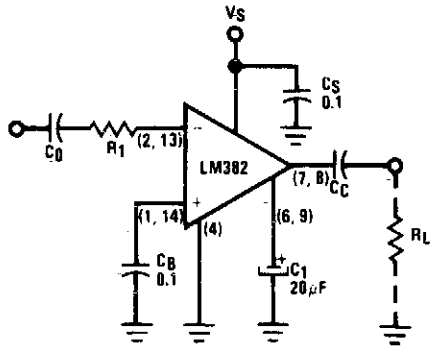
$$\text{GAIN} = 1 + \frac{267k}{R_1}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi f_0 R_1}$$

$f_0$  = LOW FREQUENCY -3dB CORNER

Fig. 9-18

### HIGH GAIN INVERTING AC AMPLIFIER



$$\text{GAIN} = -\frac{5.1 \times 10^6}{R_1}$$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi f_0 R_1}$$

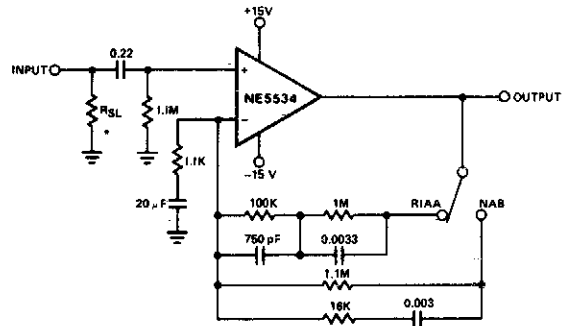
$f_0$  = LOW FREQUENCY -3dB CORNER ( $C_0 R_1 \gg C_0 R_1$ )

INPUT IMPEDANCE =  $R_1$

PINS 3, 5, 10, 12 NOT USED

Fig. 9-19

### PREAMPLIFIER WITH RIAA/NAB COMPENSATION



\*Select to provide specified transducer loading.  
Output Noise  $\approx$  0.8 mV rms (with input shorted)

All resistor values are in ohms.

Fig. 9-21

### FLAT RESPONSE AMPLIFIER (FIXED GAIN CONFIGURATION)

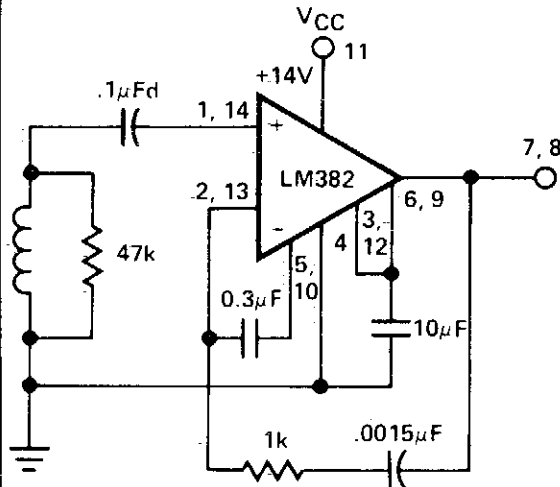


Fig. 9-20

### TAPE PLAYBACK AMPLIFIER

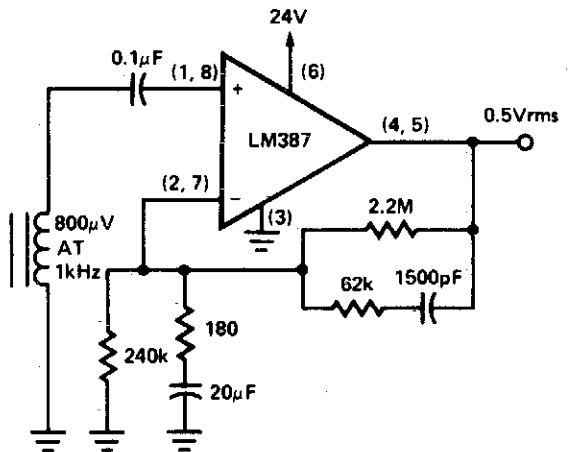


Fig. 9-22



# 10

## Automotive Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Gasoline Engine Tachometer  
Speed Alarm  
Speed Warning Device  
Universal Wiper Delay  
Courtesy Light Extender  
Bargraph Car Voltmeter  
Tachometer  
High Speed Warning Device  
Breaker Point Dwell Meter  
Tachometer  
Capacitor Discharge Ignition System  
Windshield Wiper Control

Auto Battery Current Analyzer  
Speed Switch  
Windshield Wiper Controller  
Windshield Wiper Hesitation Control Unit  
Ice Warning and Lights Reminder  
Car Battery Monitor  
Headlight Delay Unit  
Windshield Washer Fluid Watcher  
Car Battery Condition Checker  
Overspeed Indicator  
Sequential Flasher for Auto Turn Signals  
Auto Lights-On Reminder

## GASOLINE ENGINE TACHOMETER

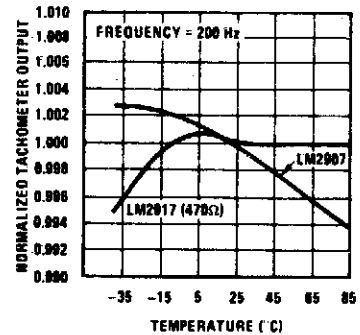
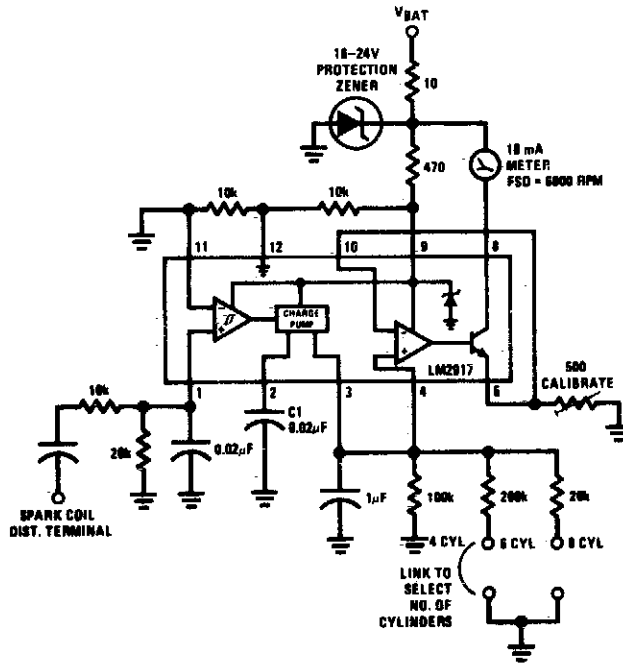


Fig. 10-1

### Circuit Notes

This tachometer can be set up for any number of cylinders by linking the appropriate timing resistor as illustrated. A 500 ohm trim resistor can be used to set up final calibration.

A protection circuit composed of a 10 ohm resistor and a zener diode is also shown as a safety precaution against the transients which are to be found in automobiles.

## SPEED ALARM

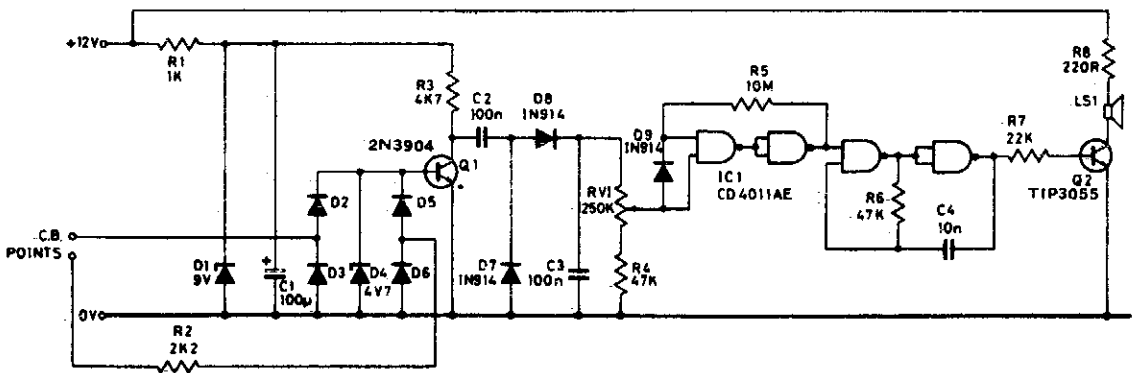


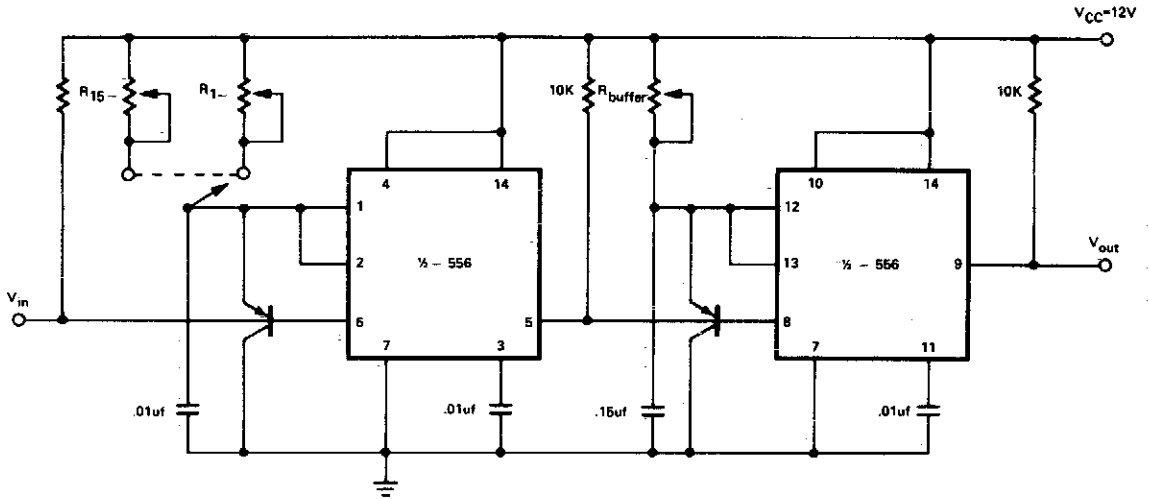
Fig. 10-2

### Circuit Notes

Pulses from the distributor points are passed through a current limiting resistor, rectified, and clipped at 4.7 volts. Via Q1 and the diode pump, a dc voltage proportional to engine rpm is presented to RV1; the sharp transfer characteristic of a CMOS gate, assisted by

feedback, is used to enable the oscillator formed by the remaining half of the 4011. At the pre-set speed, a nonignorable tone emits from the speaker, and disappears as soon as the speed drops by three or four mph.

### SPEED WARNING DEVICE



### OPERATING WAVEFORMS

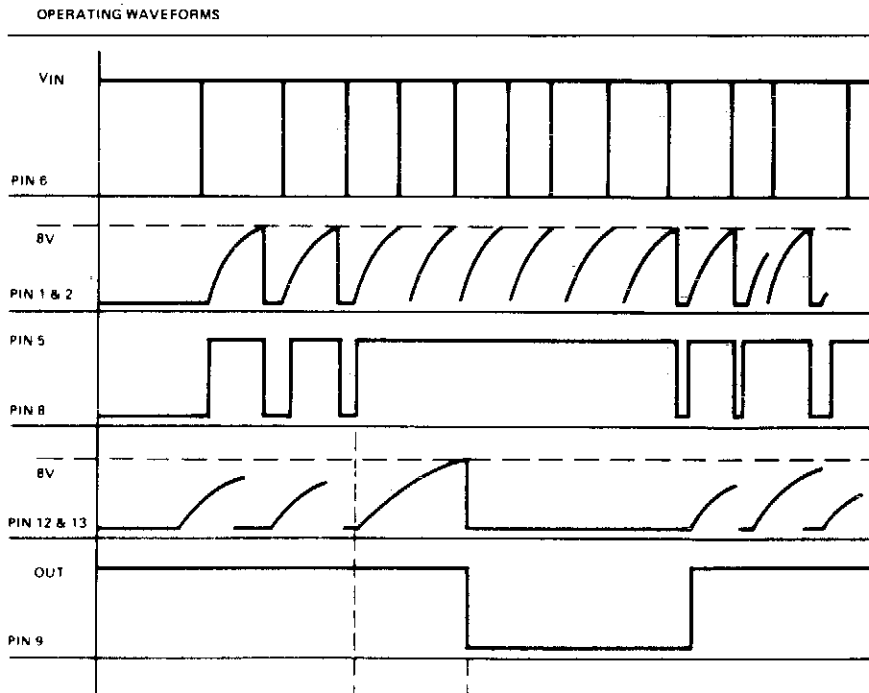
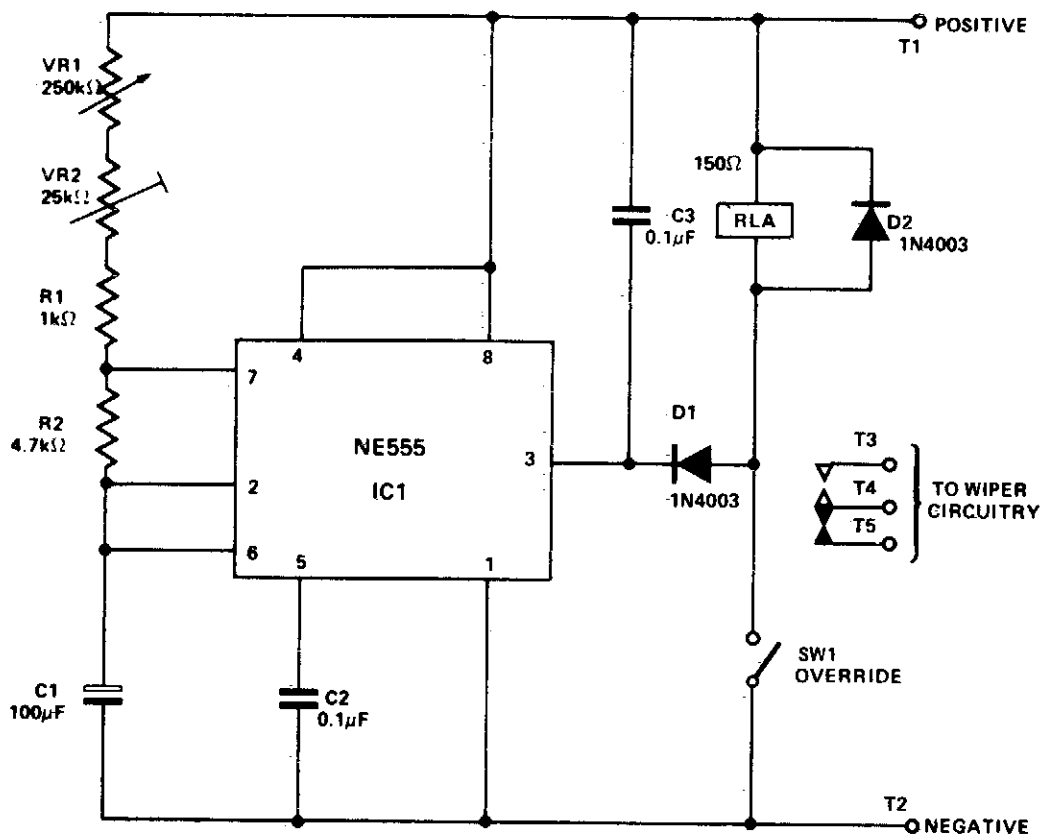


Fig. 10-3

## UNIVERSAL WIPER DELAY



**Fig. 10-4**

### Circuit Notes

IC1 is connected in the astable mode, driving RLA. C3, D1, and D2 prevent spikes from the relay coil and the wiper motor from triggering IC1. VR2 is adjusted to give the minimum delay time required. VR1 is the main delay control and provides a range of from

about 1 second to 20 seconds. SW1 is an override switch to hold RLA permanently on (for normal wiper operation). The relay should have a resistance of at least 150 ohms and have heavy duty contacts. The suppression circuit may be needed for the protection of IC1.

## COURTESY LIGHT EXTENDER

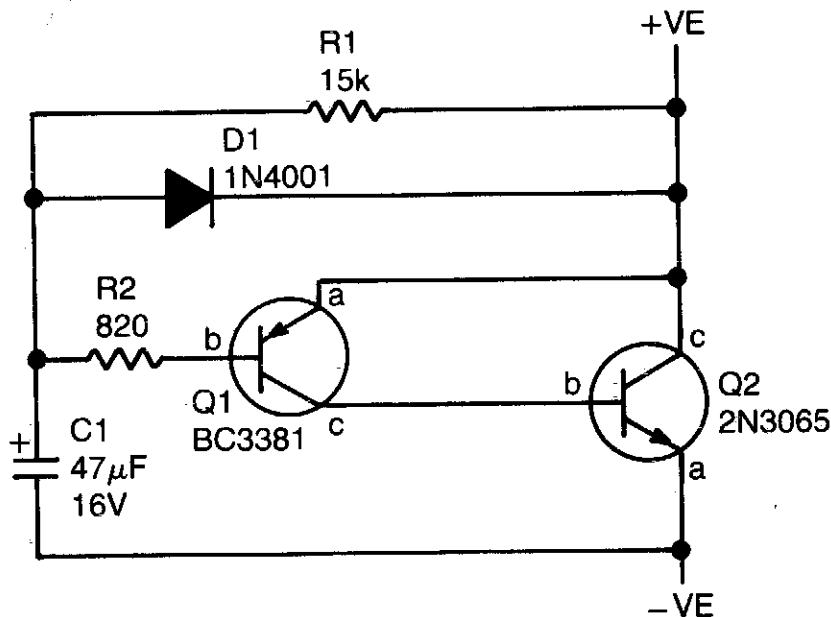


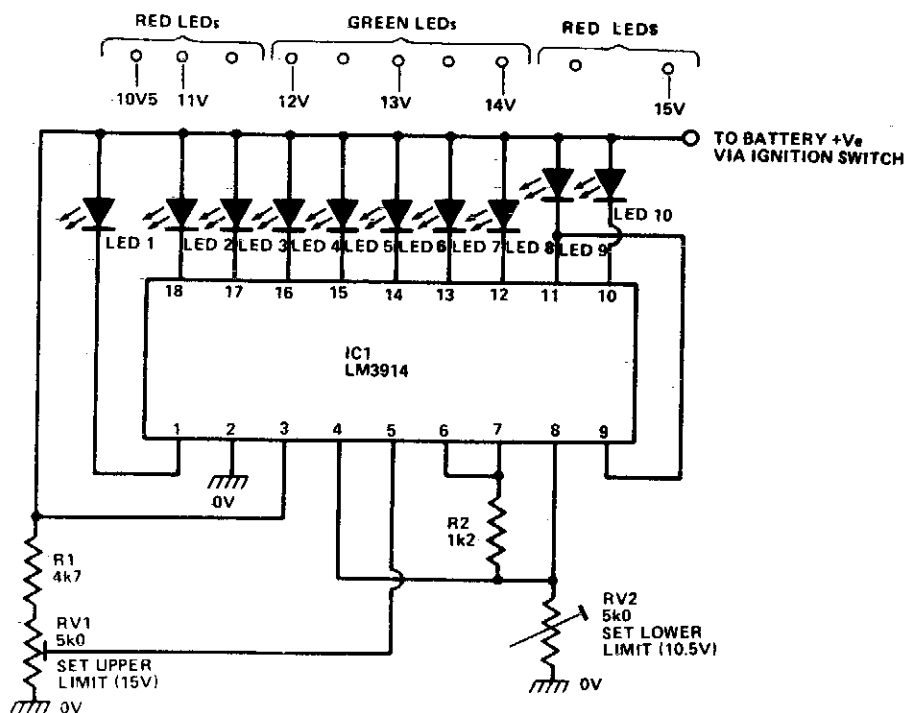
Fig. 10-5

### Circuit Notes

Most car door switches are simply single-pole switches, with one side grounded. When the door is opened the switch grounds the other line thus completing the light circuit. In a car where the negative terminal of the battery is connected to the chassis, the negative wire of the unit (emitter of Q2) is connected to chassis the positive wire (case of 2N3055) is connected to the wire going to the switch. In a car having a positive ground system this connection sequence is reversed. When the switch closes (door open), C1 is discharged via D1 to zero volts, and when the switch opens, C1 charges up via R1 and R2.

Transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected as an emitter follower (Q2 just buffers Q1) therefore the voltage across Q2 increases slowly as C1 charges. Hence Q2 acts like a low resistance in parallel with the switch and keeps the lights on. The value of C1 is chosen such that a useful light level is obtained for about four seconds; therefore the light decreases until in about 10 seconds it is out completely. With different transistor gains and with variation in current drain due to a particular type of car, the timing may vary but may be simply adjusted by selecting C1.

## BARGRAPH CAR VOLTMETER



**Fig. 10-6**

### Circuit Notes

The LM3914 acts as a LED-driving voltmeter that has its basic maximum and minimum readings determined by the values of R2 and RV2. When correctly adjusted, the unit actually covers the 2.5 volt to 3.6 volt range, but it is made to read a supply voltage span of 10-10.5 volts to 15 volts by interposing potential divider R1-RV1 between the supply line

and the pin-5 input terminal of the IC. The IC is configured to give a 'dot' display, in which only one of the ten LEDs is illuminated at any given time. If the supply voltage is below 10.5 volts none of the LEDs illuminate. If the supply equals or exceeds 15 volts, LED 10 illuminates.

## TACHOMETER

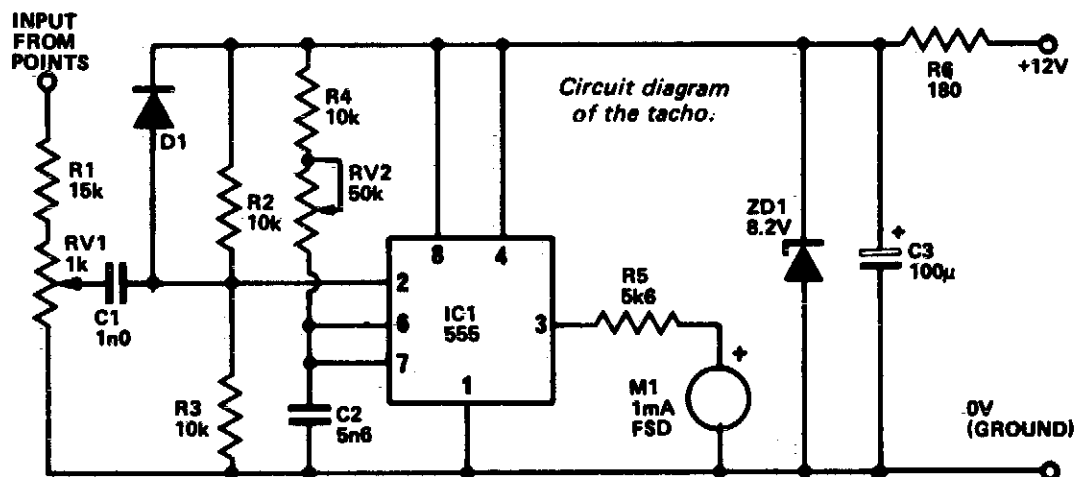


Fig. 10-7

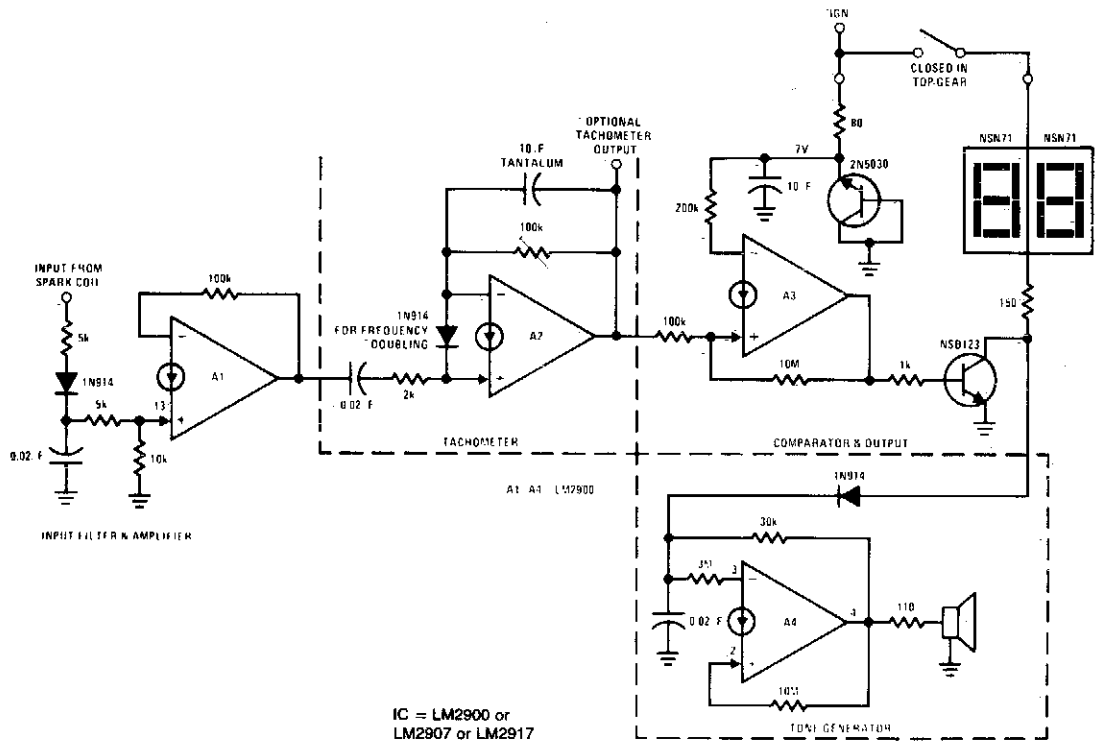
### Circuit Notes

An electrical signal taken from the low tension side of the distributor is converted into a voltage proportional to engine rpm and this voltage is displayed on a meter calibrated accordingly. The 555 timer IC is used as a monostable which, in effect, converts the signal pulse from the breaker points to a single positive pulse the width of which is determined by the value of  $R4 + RV2$  and  $C2$ . Resistors  $R2$

and  $R3$  set a voltage of about 4 volts at pin 2 of  $IC1$ . The IC is triggered if this voltage is reduced to less than approximately 2.7 volts ( $\frac{1}{3}$  of supply voltage), and this occurs due to the voltage swing when the breaker points open. An adjustment potentiometer  $RV1$  enables the input level to be set to avoid false triggering. Zener diode  $ZD1$  and the 180 ohm resistor stabilize the unit against voltage variations.



## HIGH SPEED WARNING DEVICE



**Fig. 10-8**

### Circuit Notes

A1 amplifies and regulates the signal from the spark coil. A2 converts frequency to voltage so that its output is a voltage proportional to engine rpm. A3 compares the tachometer

voltage with the reference voltage and turns on the output transistor at the set speed. Amplifier A4 is used to generate an audible tone whenever the set speed is exceeded.

### BREAKER POINT DWELL METER

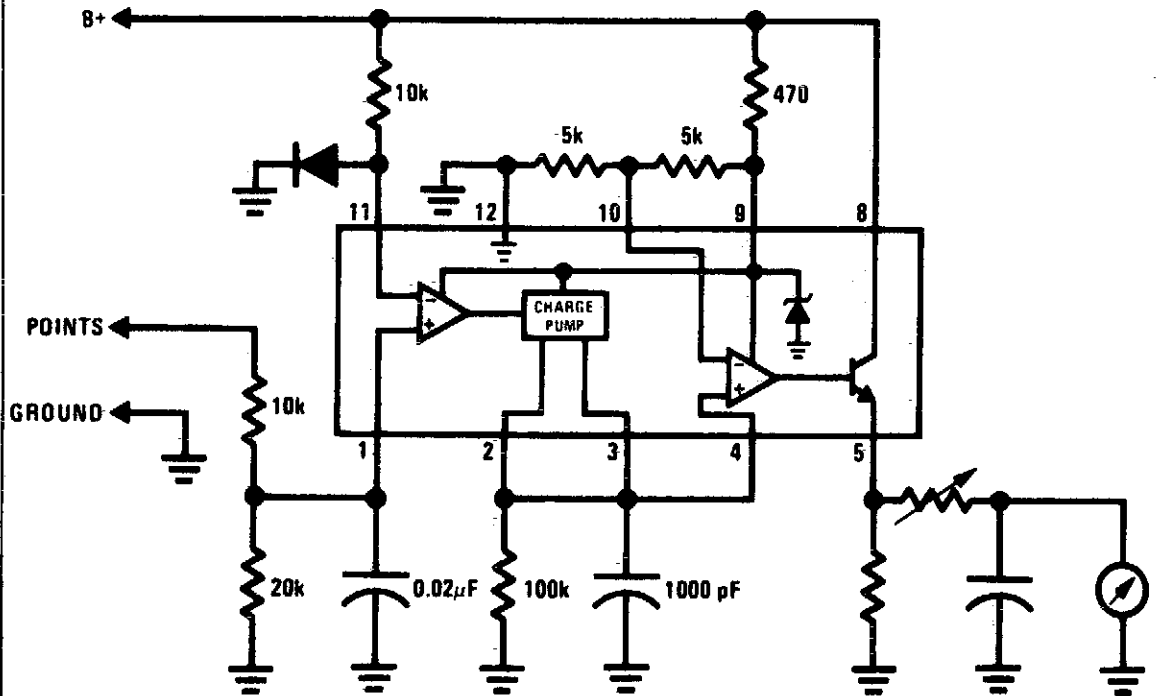


Fig. 10-9

### TACHOMETER

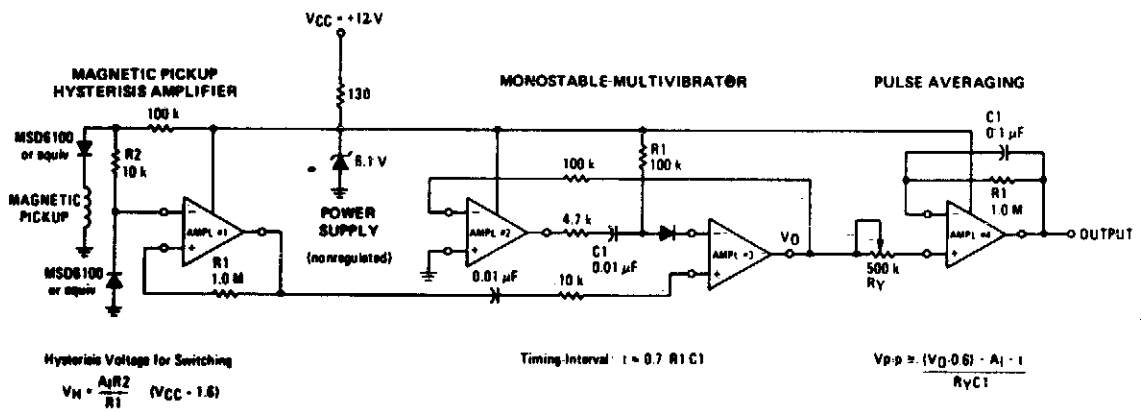
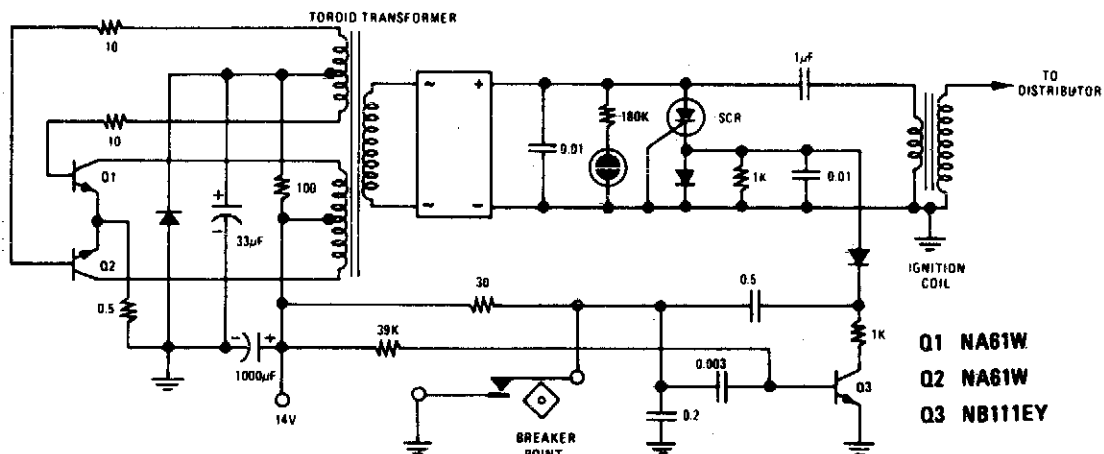


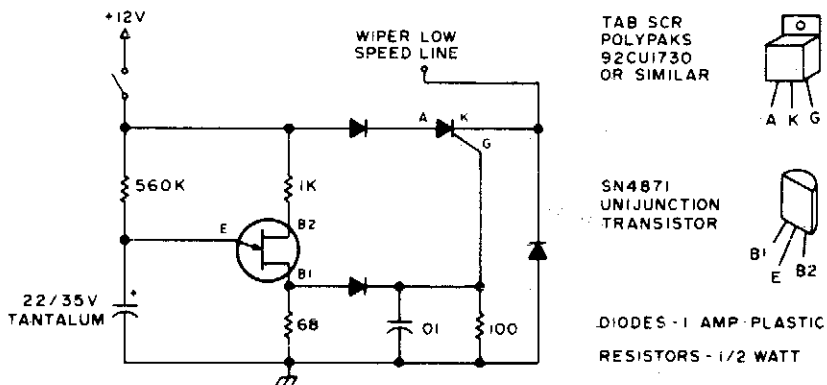
Fig. 10-10

## CAPACITOR DISCHARGE IGNITION SYSTEM



**Fig. 10-11**

## WINDSHIELD WIPER CONTROL

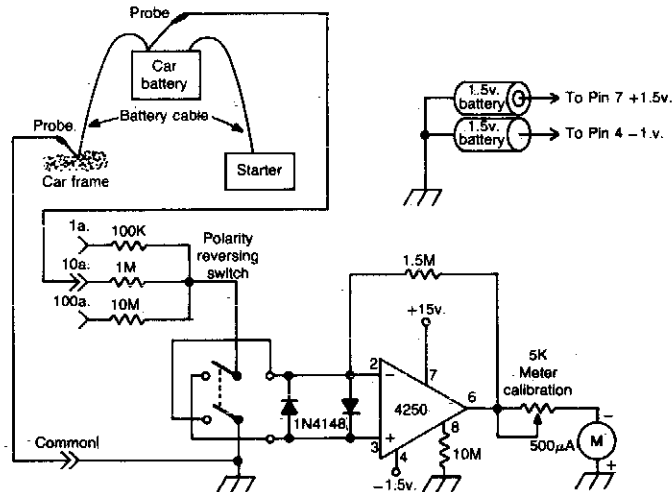


**Fig. 10-12**

### Circuit Notes

Here's a good way to set windshield wipers on an interval circuit. Only two connections to the car's wiper control, plus ground, are required. Variable control can be accomplished by substituting a 500 K pot in series with a 100 K fixed resistor in place of the 560 K.

## AUTO BATTERY CURRENT ANALYZER



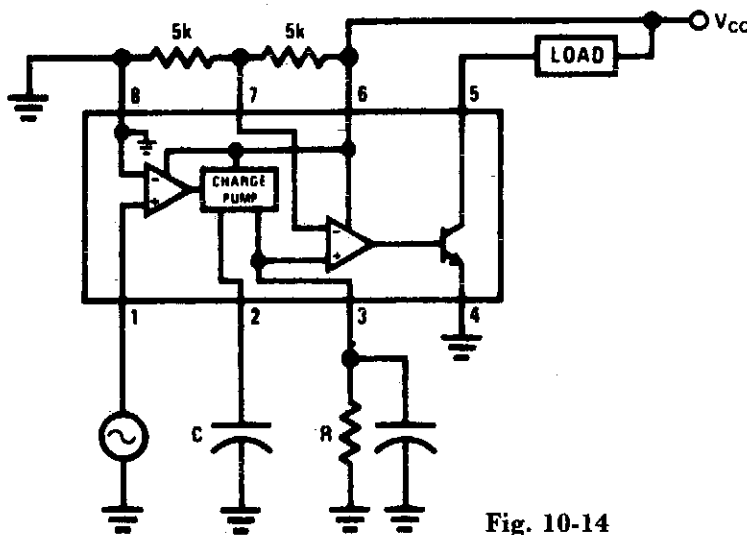
**Fig. 10-13**

### Circuit Notes

This op-amp analyzer can measure the current drawn by any device in a car. The analyzer works by measuring the very small voltage that develops across the battery cables

when current flows. To calibrate the unit, measure the current flow somewhere in the car with an accurate ammeter, then adjust the analyzer for that current reading.

## SPEED SWITCH



### Circuit Notes

Load is energized when

$$f_{in} \geq \frac{1}{2RC}$$

**Fig. 10-14**

### WINDSHIELD WIPER CONTROLLER

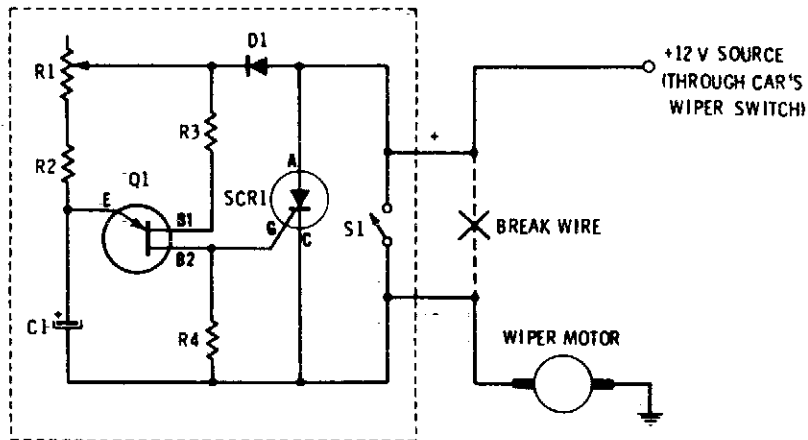


Fig. 10-15

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides complete speed control over car's windshield wipers. They can be slowed down to any rate even down to four sweeps per minute. The controller has two

principal circuits: The rate-determining circuit—a unijunction transistor connected as a freerunning oscillator, and the silicon-controlled rectifier which is the actuator.

### WINDSHIELD WIPER HESITATION CONTROL UNIT

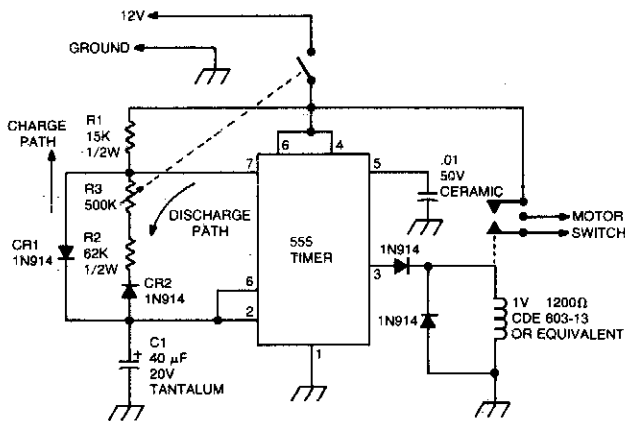


Fig. 10-16

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses the 555 timer in the astable or oscillatory mode. The length of time the timer is off is a function of the values of C1, R2, and R3. The potentiometer which controls the

amount of "hesitation". (Approximately 2 to 15 seconds.) R2 provides a minimum time delay when R3 is at its zero ohms position.

### ICE WARNING AND LIGHTS REMINDER

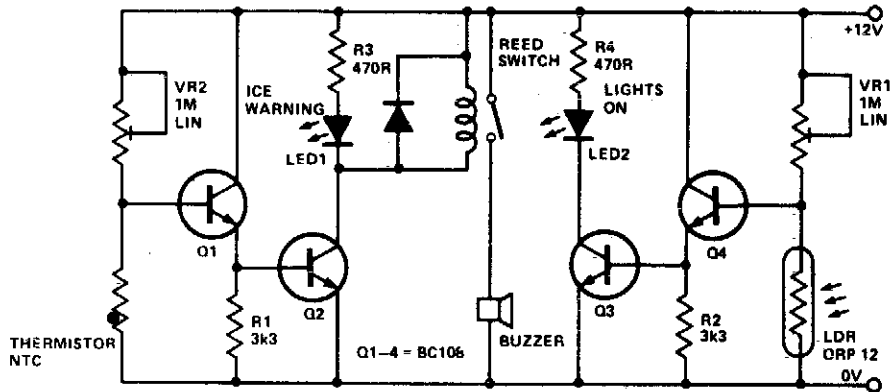


Fig. 10-17

#### Circuit Notes

This device will tell a driver if his lights should be on and will warn him if the outside temperature is nearing zero by lighting a LED and sounding a buzzer. VR1 adjusts sensitivity

for temperature, VR2 for light. Both thermistor and LDR should be well protected. Most high gain NPN transistors will work.

### CAR BATTERY MONITOR

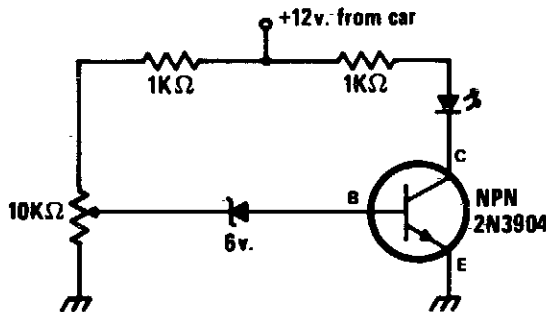


Fig. 10-18

#### Circuit Notes

Warning light (LED) indicates when battery voltage falls below level set by 10 K pot. Can indicate that battery is defective or needs charging if cranking drops battery voltage below preset "safe" limit.

### HEADLIGHT DELAY UNIT

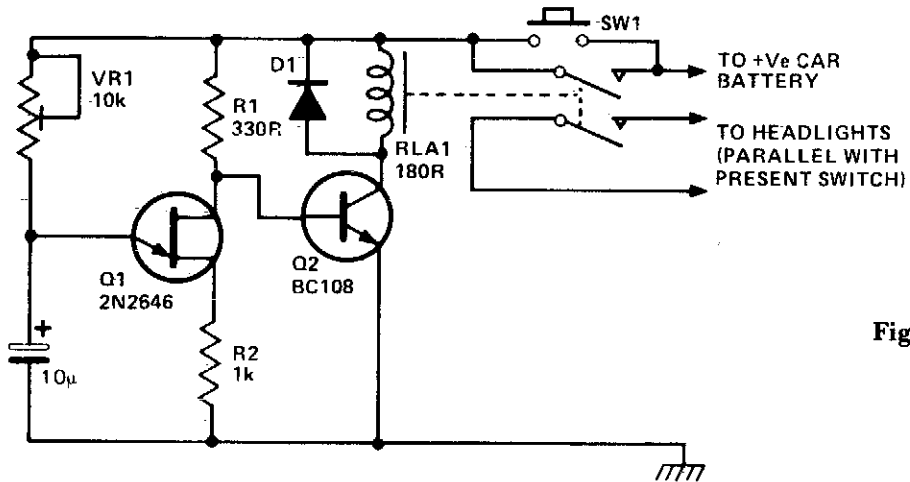


Fig. 10-19

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will operate a car's headlights for a predetermined time to light up the driveway or path after the driver has left the car. SQ1 is pushed and Q2 is turned on closing the relay and turning on the car's headlights. C1

begins to charge through VR1 until Q1 turns on, turning Q2 off. The relay will then open switching off both the lights and the unit. The delay is governed by the time taken for the capacitor to charge, which is about one minute.

### WINDSHIELD WASHER FLUID WATCHER

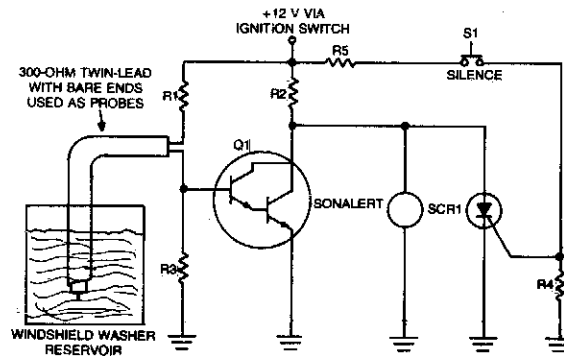
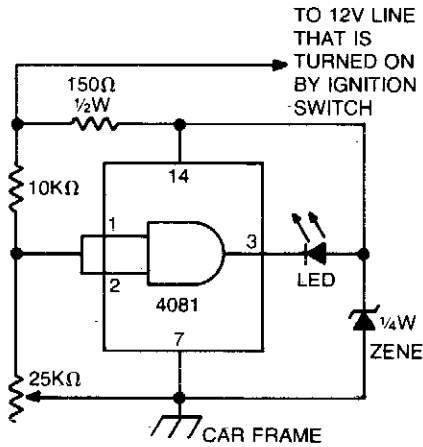


Fig. 10-20

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit relies upon the minute current between two conductive probes suspended in a washer fluid reservoir. When the level is below the probes, Q1 turns on and the Sonolert sounds.

## CAR BATTERY CONDITION CHECKER

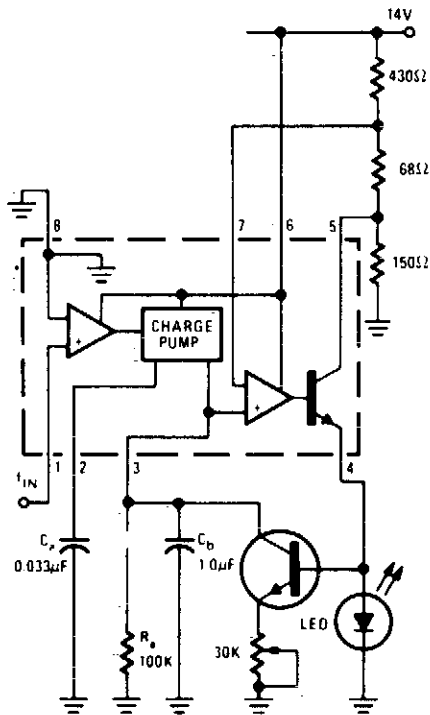


### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses an LED and 4081 CMOS integrated circuit. The variable resistor sets the voltage at which the LED turns on. Set the control so that the LED lights when the voltage from the car's ignition switch drops below 13.8 volts. The LED normally will light every now and then for a short period of time. But, if it stays on for very long, your electrical system is in trouble.

Fig. 10-21

## OVERSPEED INDICATOR



FLASHING BEGINS WHEN  $f_{IN} = 100$  Hz  
FLASH RATE INCREASES WITH INPUT FREQUENCY  
INCREASE BEYOND TRIP POINT

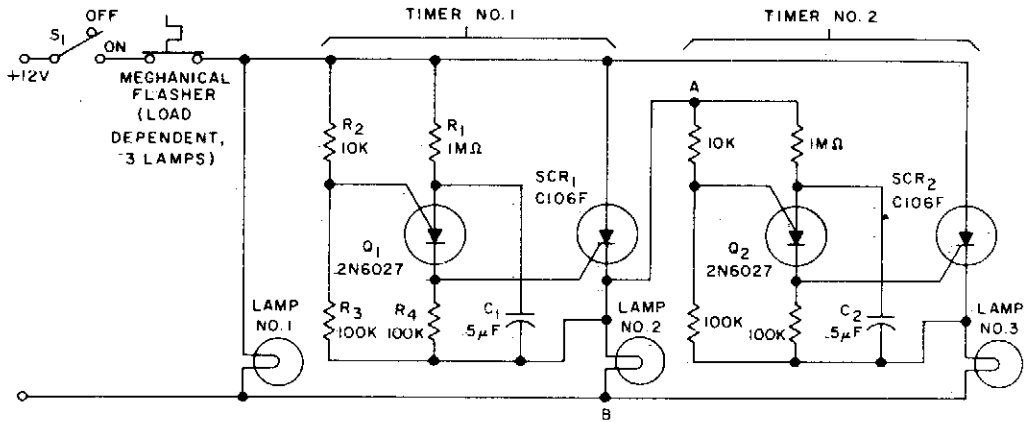
### Circuit Notes

An op-amp comparator is used to compare the converter output with a dc threshold voltage. The circuit flashes the LED when the input frequency exceeds 100 Hz. Increases in frequency raise the average current out of terminal 3 so that frequencies above 100 Hz reduce the charge time of C2, increasing the LED flashing rate. IC = LM2907 or LM2917

Fig. 10-22



## SEQUENTIAL FLASHER FOR AUTOMOTIVE TURN SIGNALS



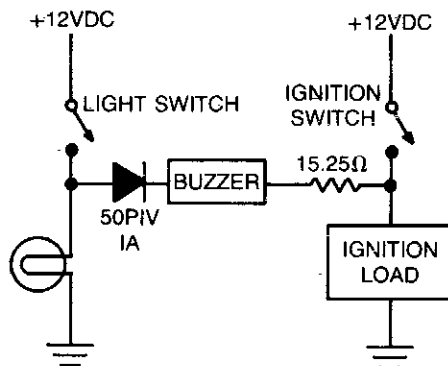
### Circuit Notes

When the turn signal switch  $S_1$  is closed, lamp #1 will be activated and capacitor  $C_1$  will charge to the triggered voltage of  $Q_1$ . As soon as the anode voltage on  $Q_1$  exceeds its gate voltage by 0.5 V,  $Q_1$  will switch into the low resistance mode, thereby triggering  $SCR_1$  to activate lamp #2 and the second timing circuit.

After  $Q_2$  switches into the low resistance state,  $SCR_2$  will be triggered to activate lamp #3. When the thermal flasher interrupts the current to all three lamps,  $SCR_1$  and  $SCR_2$  are commutated and the circuit is ready for another cycle.

**Fig. 10-23**

## AUTO LIGHTS-ON REMINDER



**Fig. 10-24**

### Circuit Notes

The alarm is composed of a diode, buzzer, and limiting resistor. The diode serves as a switch which allows the buzzer to sound off only when the light switch is closed and the ignition is turned off.

# 11

## Battery Chargers

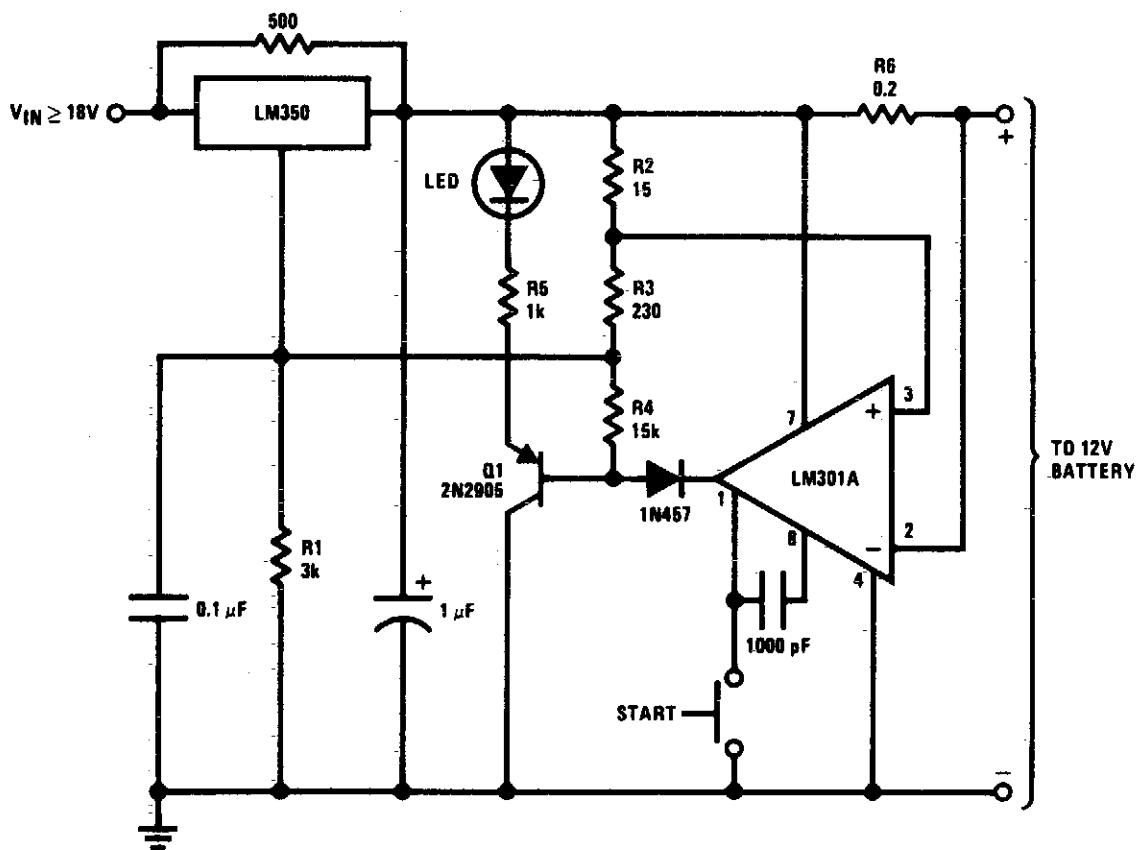
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12 V Battery Charger  
Simple Ni-Cad Battery Charger  
12 V Battery Charger Control (20 Amps Rms  
Max.)  
Battery Charger  
Automatic Shutoff Battery Charger  
200 mA-Hour, 12 V Ni-Cad Battery Charger  
Ni-Cad Charger with Current and Voltage  
Limiting

Automotive Charger for Ni-Cad Battery Packs  
Constant Voltage, Current-Limited Charger  
Ni-Cad Charger  
Simple Ni-Cad Battery Zapper  
Battery Charging Regulator  
Low-Cost Trickle Charger for 12V Storage  
Battery  
Fast Charger for Ni-Cad Batteries  
Current Limited 6 V Charger

## 12 V BATTERY CHARGER



**Fig. 11-1**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is a high performance charger for gelled electrolyte lead-acid batteries. Charger quickly recharges battery and shuts off at full charge. Initially, charging current is limited to 2A. As the battery voltage rises, current to the battery decreases, and when the current has decreased to 150 mA, the charger switches to a lower float voltage preventing

overcharge. When the start switch is pushed, the output of the charger goes to 14.5 V. As the battery approaches full charge, the charging current decreases and the output voltage is reduced from 14.5 V to about 12.5 V terminating the charging. Transistor Q1 then lights the LED as a visual indication of full charge.

### SIMPLE NI-CAD BATTERY CHARGER

#### PARTS LIST FOR NICAD BATTERY CHARGER

- C1—100- $\mu$ F, 50-V electrolytic capacitor
- D1—1-A, 400 PIV-silicon rectifier
- Q1—40-W, pnp power transistor
- R1—2000-ohm potentiometer
- T1—24-Vac, 117-Vac primary filament transformer

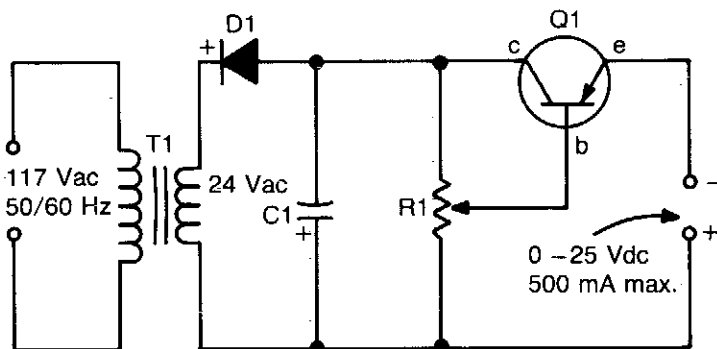
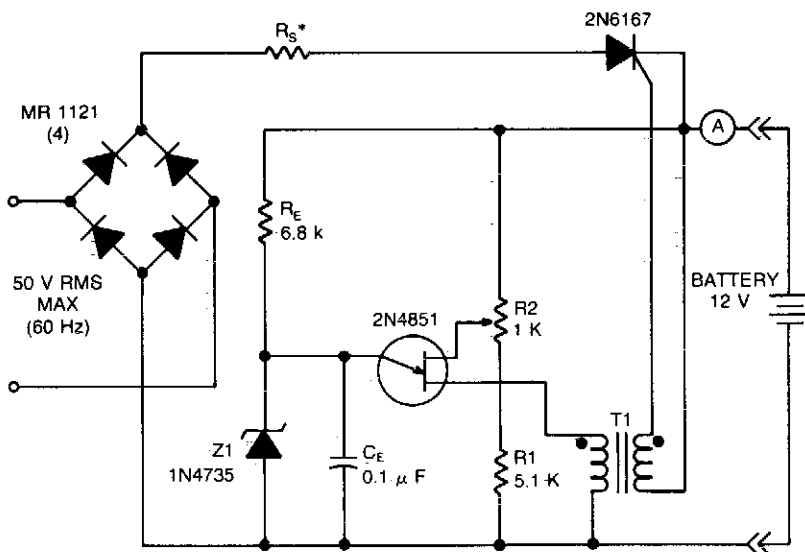


Fig. 11-2

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides an adjustable output voltage up to 35 Vdc and maximum output current of 50 mA. Transistor Q1 dissipates quite a bit of heat and must be mounted on a heatsink.

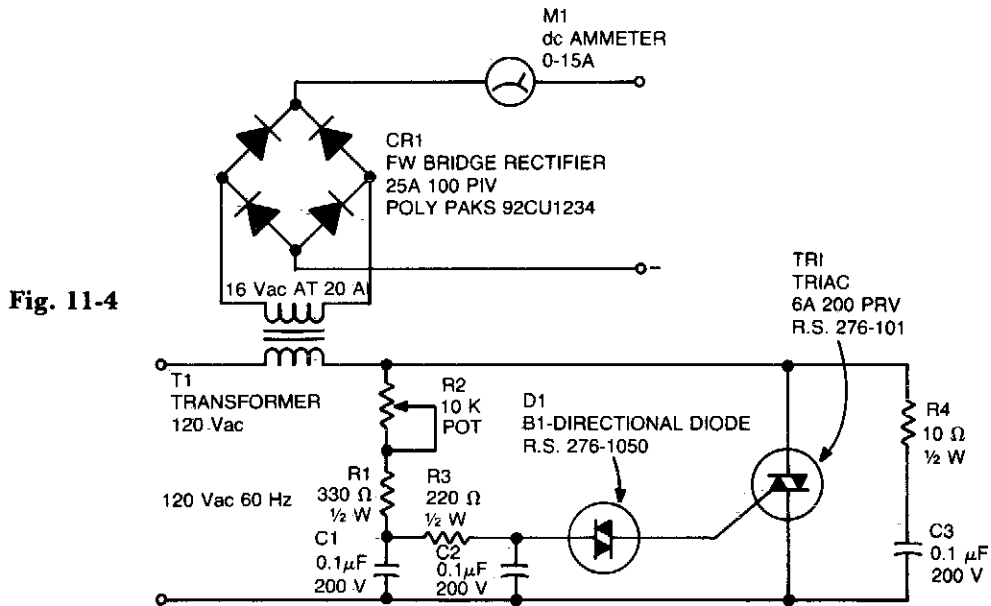
### 12 V BATTERY CHARGER CONTROL (20 AMPS RMS MAX.)



- T1 - PRIMARY = 30 TURNS #22
- SECONDARY = 45 TURNS #22
- CORE = FERROXCUBE 203 F 181-3C3
- \* R<sub>s</sub> - SERIES RESISTANCE TO LIMIT CURRENT THROUGH SCR.
- 2N6167 IS RATED AT 20 AMPS RMS.

Fig. 11-3

## BATTERY CHARGER



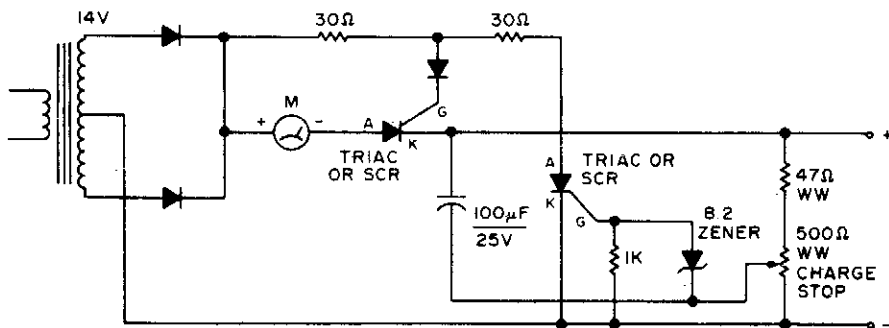
**Fig. 11-4**

### Circuit Notes

A diac is used in the gate circuit to provide a threshold level for firing the triac. C3 and R4 provide a transient suppression network. R1, R2, R3, C1, and C2 provide a phase-shift net-

work for the signal being applied to the gate. R1 is selected to limit the maximum charging current at full rotation of R2.

## AUTOMATIC SHUTOFF BATTERY CHARGER



**Fig. 11-5**

### Circuit Notes

Adjust by setting the 500 ohm resistor while attached to a fully charged battery.

### 200 mA-HOUR, 12 V NI-CAD BATTERY CHARGER

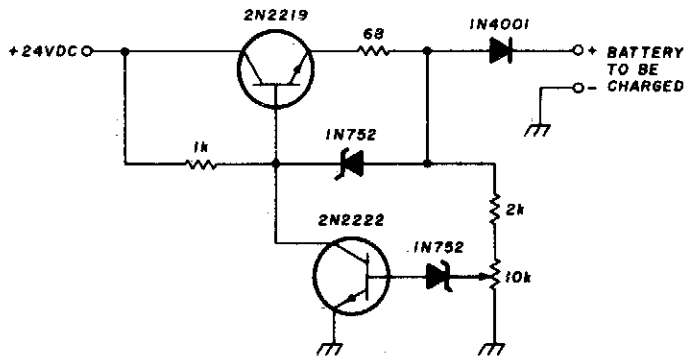


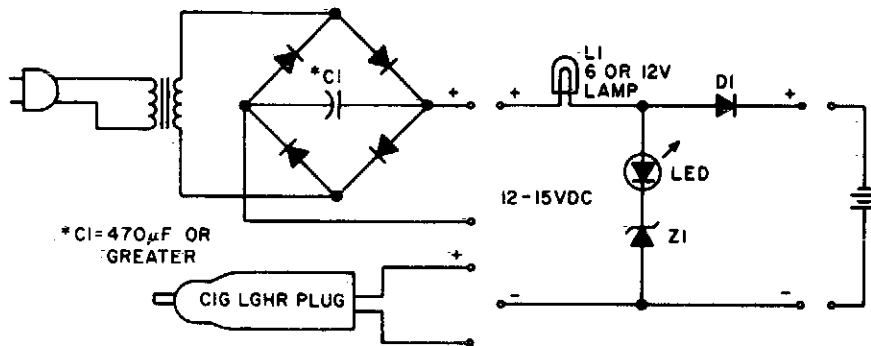
Fig. 11-6

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit charges the battery at 75 mA until the battery is charged, then it reduces the current to a trickle rate. It will completely recharge a dead battery in four hours and the

battery can be left in the charger indefinitely. To set the shut-off point, connect a 270-ohm, 2-watt resistor across the charge terminals and adjust the pot for 15.5 volts across the resistor.

### NI-CAD CHARGER WITH CURRENT AND VOLTAGE LIMITING



\*C1 = 470  $\mu$ F OR GREATER

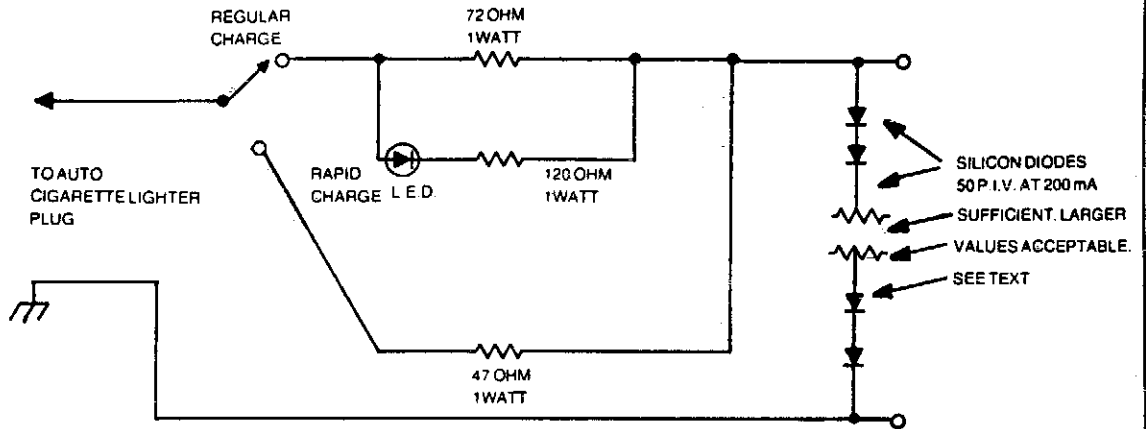
Fig. 11-7

#### Circuit Notes

Lamp L1 will glow brightly and the LED will be out when the battery is low and being charged, but the LED will be bright and the light bulb dim when the battery is almost ready. L1 should be a light bulb rated for the current you want (usually the battery capacity divided

by 10). Diode D1 should be at least 1 A, and Z1 is a 1 W zener diode with a voltage determined by the full-charge battery voltage minus 1.5 V. After the battery is fully charged, the circuit will float it at about battery capacity divided by 100 mA.

## AUTOMOTIVE CHARGER FOR NI-CAD BATTERY PACKS



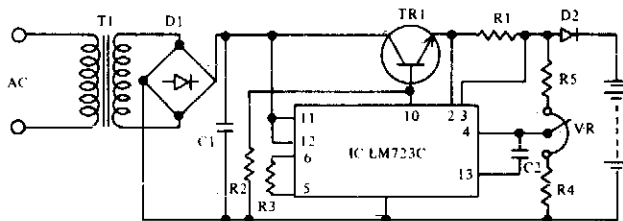
**Fig. 11-8**

### Circuit Notes

The number of silicon diodes across the output is determined by the voltage of the battery pack. Figure each diode at 0.7 volt. For example, a 10.9- volt pack would require  $10.9/0.7 = 15.57$ , or 16 diodes.

## CONSTANT-VOLTAGE, CURRENT-LIMITED CHARGER

IC LM723C VOLTAGE REGULATOR (FOR 12V dc  
OUTPUT 0.42A MAX.)



- T1 TRANSFORMER, DC 13V (RMS), 1-3A (RMS)
- D1, D2 100V 1A DIODE
- C1 50V, 470µF ELECTROLYTIC CONDENSER
- TR1 MJ2840 10A 60V 150W (MOTOROLA)
- IC LM723C (NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR)
- R1 4.7 OHM 1/2W 3P
- R2 5.1K OHM 1/4W
- R3 3.9K OHM 1/4W
- R4 7.5K OHM 1/4W
- R5 8.2K OHM 1/4W
- VR 2K OHM
- C2 50V 1000PF

**Fig. 11-9**

### Circuit Notes

For 12 V sealed lead-acid batteries.

### NI-CAD CHARGER

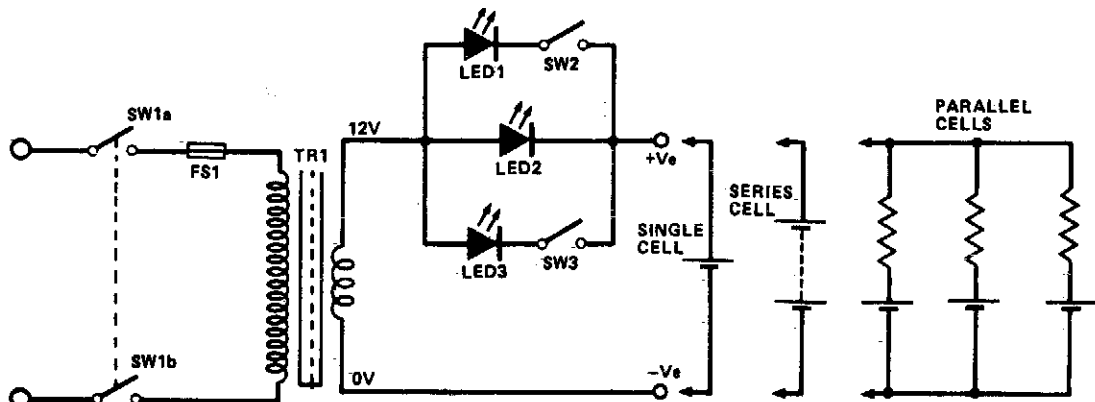


Fig. 11-10

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses constant current LEDs to adjust charging current. It makes use of LEDs that pass a constant current of about 15 mA for an applied voltage range of 2-18 V. They can be paralleled to give any multiple of 15 mA

and they light up when current is flowing. The circuit will charge a single cell at 15, 30 or 45 mA or cells in series up to the rated supply voltage limit (about 14 V).

### SIMPLE NI-CAD BATTERY ZAPPER

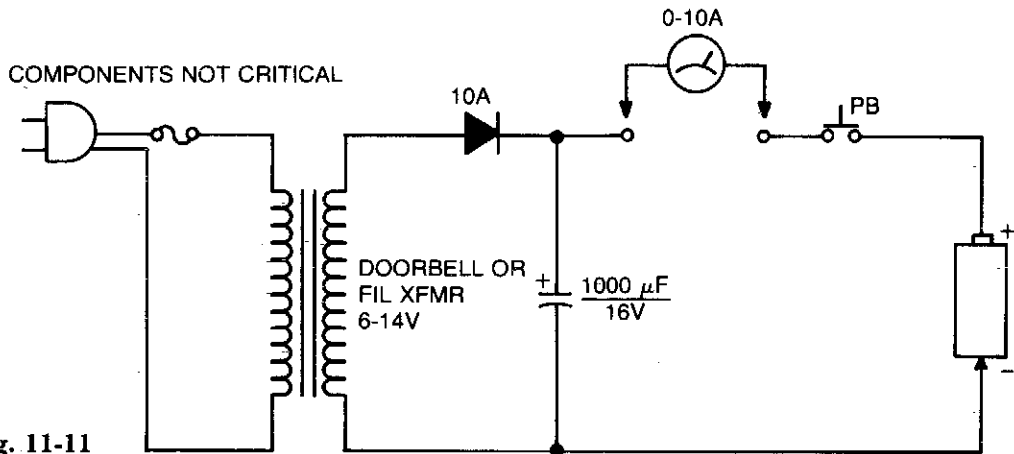


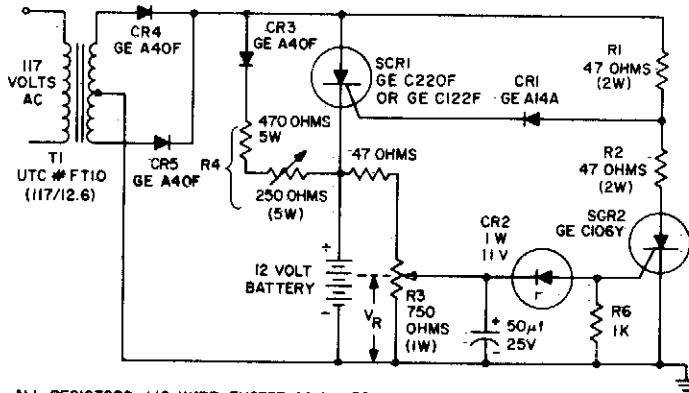
Fig. 11-11

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is used to clear internal shorts in nickel cadmium batteries. To operate, connect ni-cad to output and press the pushbutton for three seconds.



## BATTERY CHARGING REGULATOR



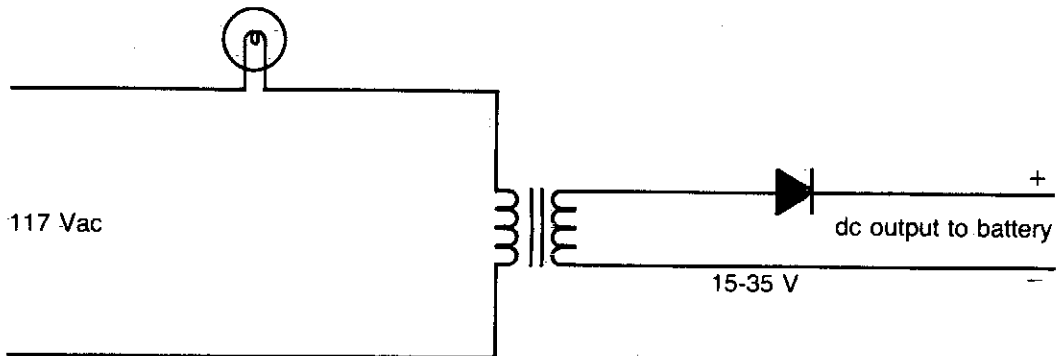
**Fig. 11-12**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is capable of charging a 12-volt battery at up to a six ampere rate. Other voltages and currents, from 6 to 600 volts and up to 300 amperes, can be accommodated by suitable

component selection. When the battery voltage reaches its fully charged level, the charging SCR shuts off, and a trickle charge as determined by the value of R4 continues to flow.

## LOW-COST TRICKLE CHARGER FOR 12 V STORAGE BATTERY



**Fig. 11-13**

### Circuit Notes

Charge rate can be varied and is based on the size of bulb.

### FAST CHARGER FOR NI-CAD BATTERIES

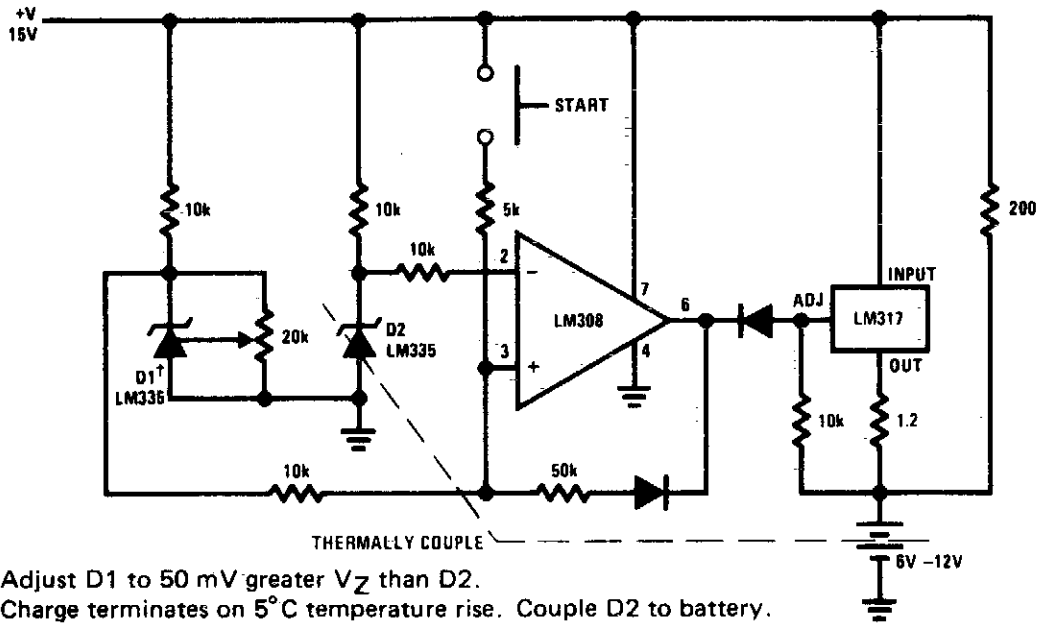


Fig. 11-14

### CURRENT LIMITED 6 V CHARGER

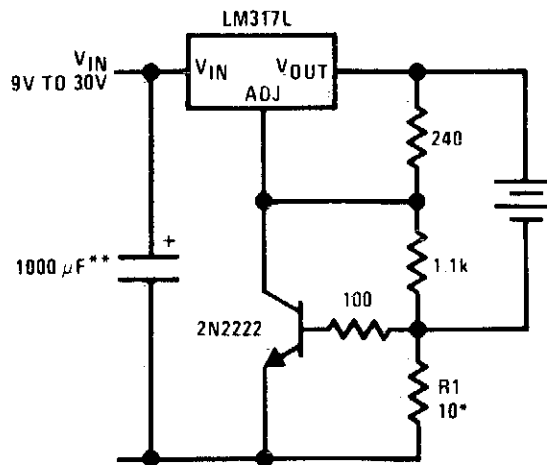


Fig. 11-15

\* Sets peak current,  $I_{PEAK} = 0.6V/R1$

\*\* 1000  $\mu\text{F}$  is recommended to filter out any input transients.

# 12

## Battery Monitors

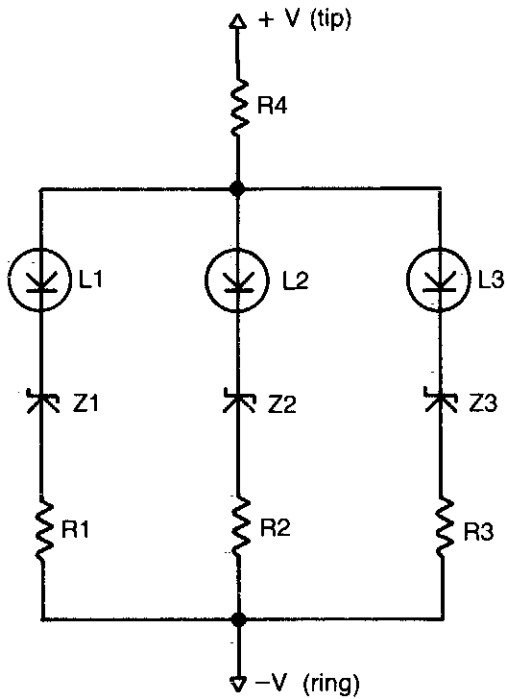
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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Solid-State Battery Voltage Indicator  
Ni-Cad Discharge Limiter  
Battery Condition Indicator  
Equipment on Reminder  
Battery Charge/Discharge Indicator  
Precision Battery Voltage Monitor for HTs

Low Voltage Monitor  
Undervoltage indicator for Battery Oper-  
ated Equipment  
Low Battery Indicator  
Battery-Level Indicator  
Battery-Threshold Indicator

### SOLID-STATE BATTERY VOLTAGE INDICATOR

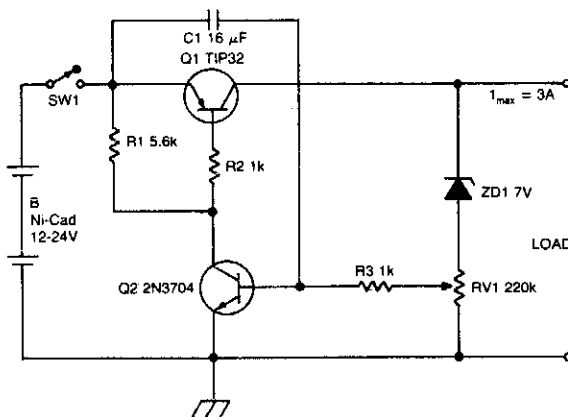


$R1, R2, R3 = 47 \Omega$   
 $R4 = 39 \Omega$   
 $Z1 = 9.8 \text{ volt zener diode}$   
 $Z2 = 11.1 \text{ volt zener diode}$   
 $Z3 = 11.5 \text{ volt zener diode}$   
 $L1 - L3 = \text{light emitting diodes}$

Two lights on - OK (L1 + L2)  
 One light on - low voltage (L1 only)  
 Three lights on - overvoltage (L1 + L2 + L3)

Fig. 12-1

### NI-CAD DISCHARGE LIMITER



#### Circuit Notes

The circuit disconnects the battery from the load when output voltage falls below a pre-set level. C1 charges through R1 and turns on Q2. Collector current flows through R2 turning Q1 on and battery is connected to the load. When the output voltage falls below a point set by RV1, Q2 turns off, Q1 turns off and further discharge of the battery is prevented.

Fig. 12-2

### BATTERY CONDITION INDICATOR

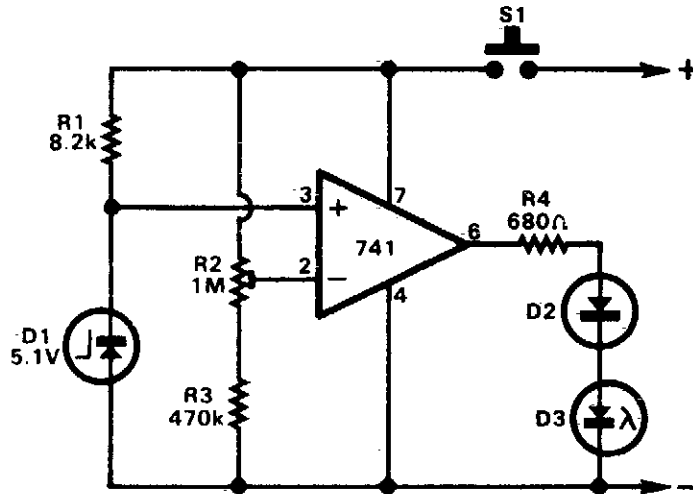


Fig. 12-3

#### Circuit Notes

A 741 op amp is employed as a voltage comparator. The noninverting input is connected to zener reference source. Reference voltage is 5.1V. R2 is adjusted so that the voltage at the inverting input is half the supply voltage. When supply is higher than 10.2V, the LED will not light. When the supply falls just

fractionally below the 10.2V level, the IC inverting input will be slightly negative of the noninverting input, and the output will swing fully positive. The LED will light, indicating that the supply voltage has fallen to the preset threshold level. The LED can be made to light at other voltages by adjusting R2.

### EQUIPMENT ON REMINDER

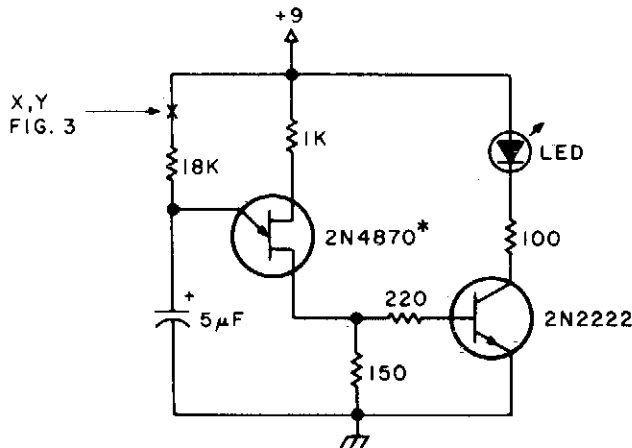


Fig. 12-4

\*RADIO SHACK  
RS 276-2029  
OR ANY TYPE UJT

#### Circuit Notes

Due to the low duty cycle of flashing LED, the average current drain is 1 mA or less.

## BATTERY CHARGE/DISCHARGE INDICATOR

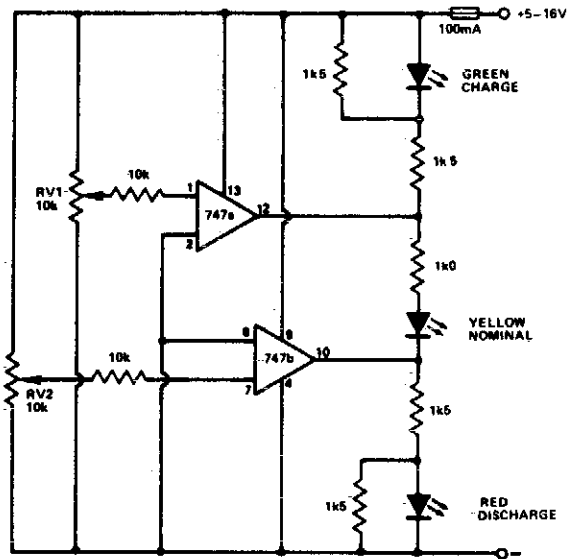


Fig. 12-5

### Circuit Notes

This circuit monitors car battery voltage. It provides an indication of nominal supply voltage as well as low or high voltage. RV1 and RV2 adjust the point at which the red/yellow

and yellow/green LEDs are on or off. For example the red LED comes on at 11V, and the green LED at 12V. The yellow LED is on between these values.

## PRECISION BATTERY VOLTAGE MONITOR FOR HTS

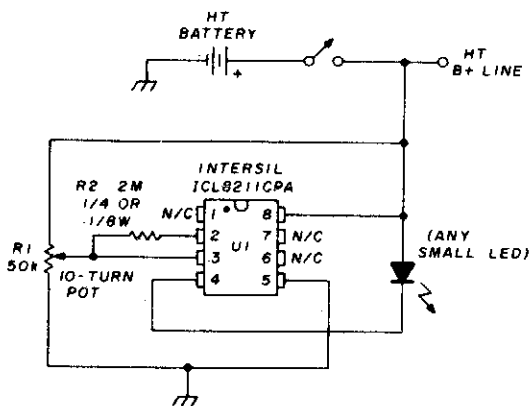


Fig. 12-6

### Circuit Notes

The precision voltage-monitor chip contains a temperature-compensated voltage reference. R1 divides down the battery voltage to match the built-in reference voltage of IC1 (1.15 volts). When the voltage at pin 3 falls below 1.15 volts, pin 4 supplies a constant current of 7 mA to drive a small LED. About 0.2 volt of hysteresis is added with R2. Without hysteresis, the LED could flicker on and off when the monitored voltage varies around the set point, as might be the case on voice peaks during receive.

## LOW-VOLTAGE MONITOR

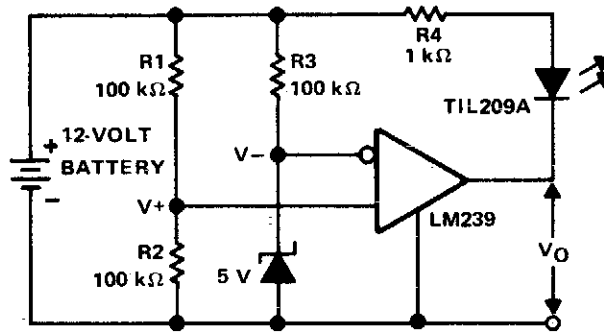


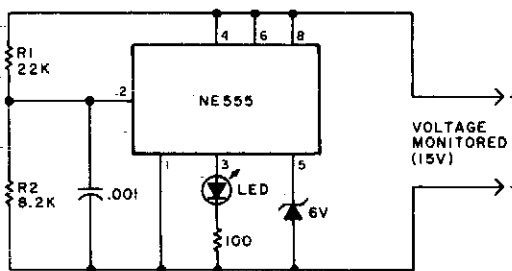
Fig. 12-7

a. SCHEMATIC OF CIRCUIT FOR LOW-VOLTAGE INDICATOR

### Circuit Notes

This circuit monitors the voltage of a battery and warns the operator when the battery voltage is below a preset level by turning on an LED. The values are set for a 12V automobile battery. The preset value is 10 volts.

## UNDervOLTAGE INDICATOR FOR BATTERY OPERATED EQUIPMENT

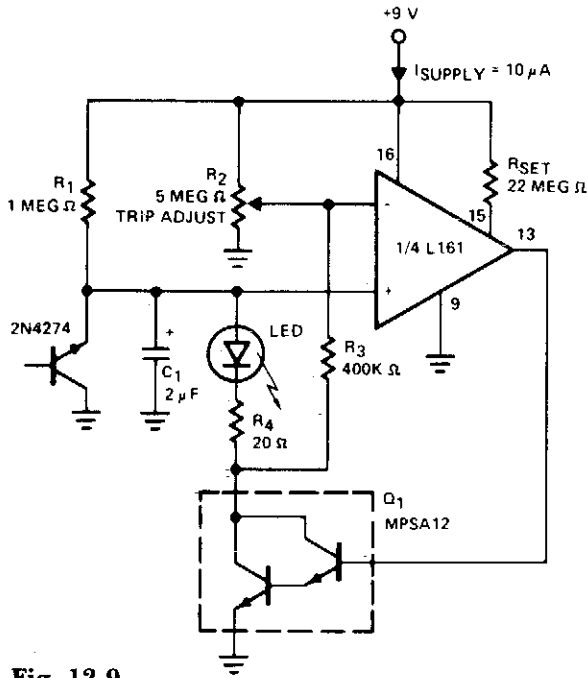


### Circuit Notes

Due to the low duty cycle of flashing LED, the average current drain is 1 mA or less. The NE555 will trigger the LED on when the monitored voltage falls to 12 volts. The ratio of R1 to R2 only needs to be changed if it is desired to change the voltage point at which the LED is triggered.

Fig. 12-8

### LOW BATTERY INDICATOR



#### Circuit Notes

The indicator flashes an LED when the battery voltage drops below a certain threshold. 2N4274 emitter-base junction serves as a zener which establishes about 6V on the L161's positive input. As the battery drops, the L161 output goes high. This turns on the Darlington, which discharges C1 through the LED. The interval between flashes is roughly two seconds and gives a low battery warning with only 10  $\mu$ A average power drain.

Fig. 12-9

### BATTERY-LEVEL INDICATOR

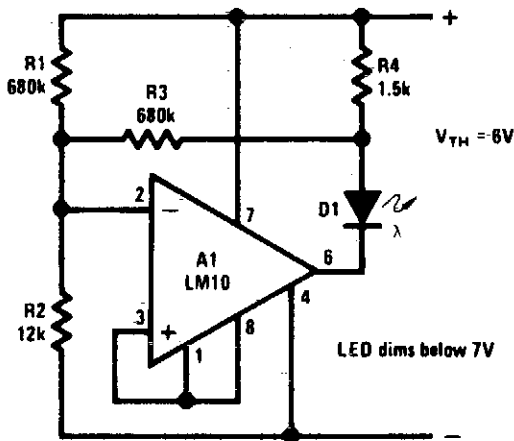


Fig. 12-10

### BATTERY-THRESHOLD INDICATOR

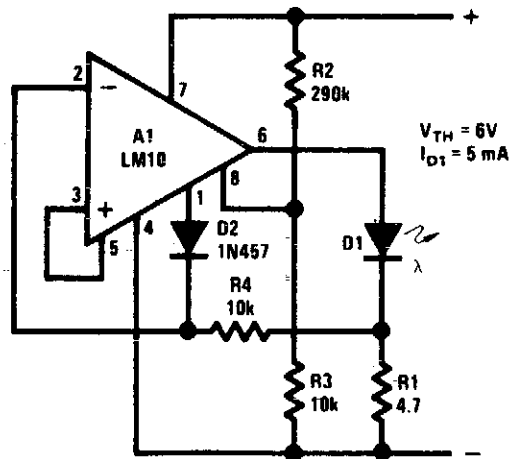


Fig. 12-11



# 13

## Buffers

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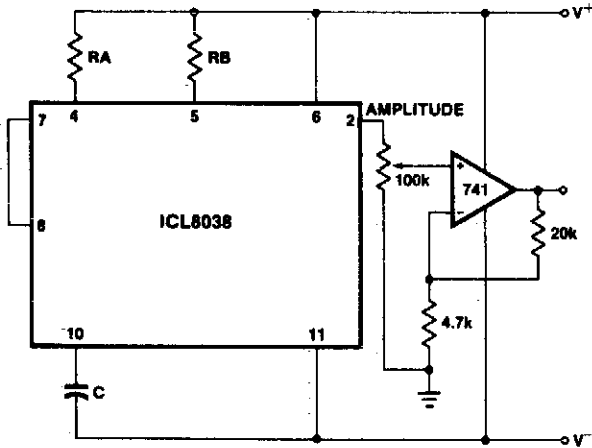
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Sine Wave Output Buffer Amplifier  
Single-Supply AC Buffer Amplifier  
Single-Supply AC Buffer  
High-Speed 6-Bit A/D Buffer  
High Impedance, Low Capacitance

Wideband Buffer  
High Resolution ADC Input Buffer  
100 × Buffer Amplifier  
10 × Buffer Amplifier  
Stable High Impedance Buffer

High-Speed Single Supply AC Buffer

### SINE WAVE OUTPUT BUFFER AMPLIFIER

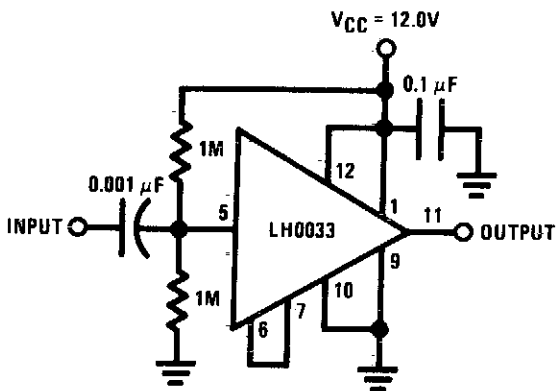


#### Circuit Notes

The sine wave output has a relatively high output impedance (1K typ). The circuit provides buffering, gain, and amplitude adjustment. A simple op amp follower could also be used.

Fig. 13-1

### SINGLE SUPPLY AC BUFFER AMPLIFIER

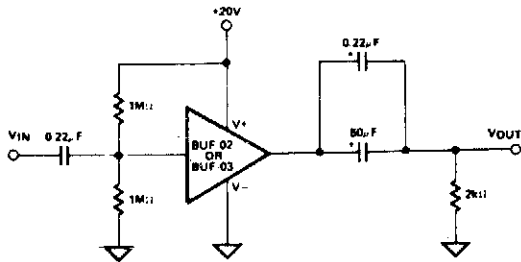


#### Circuit Notes

The input is dc biased to mid-operating point and is ac coupled. Its input impedance is approximately 500K at low frequencies. For dc loads referenced to ground, the quiescent current is increased by the load current set at the input dc bias voltage.

Fig. 13-2

### SINGLE SUPPLY AC BUFFER (HIGH SPEED)



\*NEEDED FOR LOW IMPEDANCE AT HIGH FREQUENCIES

(LOW AT VIN = 1.45Hz)  
 (LOW AT VOUT = 1.59Hz) } -3dB  
 ASSUME VIN = 10V P.P. SINE WAVE (5V-PEAK)  
 THEN FULL POWER BANDWIDTH IS  
 786kHz FOR BUF 02, AND  
 8.95MHz FOR BUF 03

Fig. 13-3

### HIGH IMPEDANCE LOW CAPACITANCE WIDEBAND BUFFER

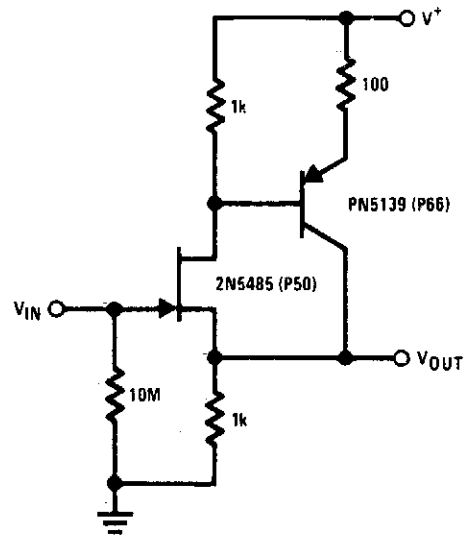


Fig. 13-5

#### Circuit Notes

The 2N5485 has low input capacitance which makes this compound series-feedback buffer a wide-band unity gain amplifier.

### HIGH SPEED 6-BIT A/D BUFFER

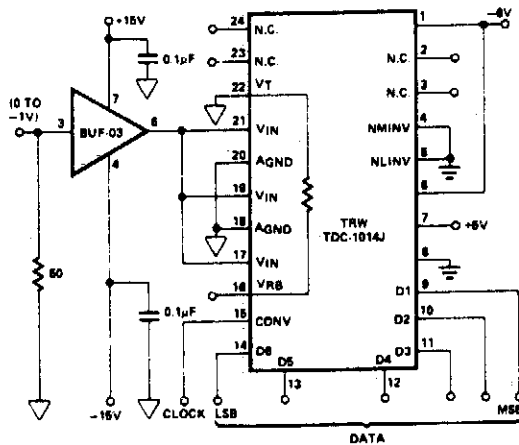
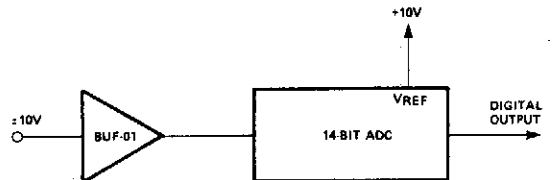


Fig. 13-4

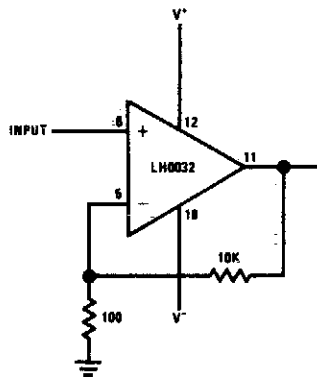
### HIGH RESOLUTION ADC INPUT BUFFER



- MAXIMUM ERROR FROM BUF-01 IS 300μV.
- RESOLUTION OF 10V, 14-BIT ADC IS 610μV.
- BUF-01 RESOLVES 1/2 LSB OF 14-BIT SYSTEM.

Fig. 13-6

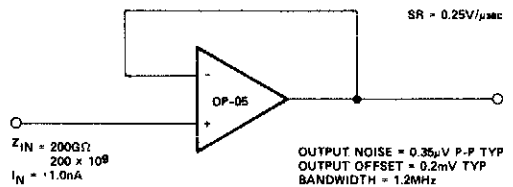
### 100 × BUFFER AMPLIFIER



TYP. BW<sub>3dB</sub> = 5 MHz

Fig. 13-7

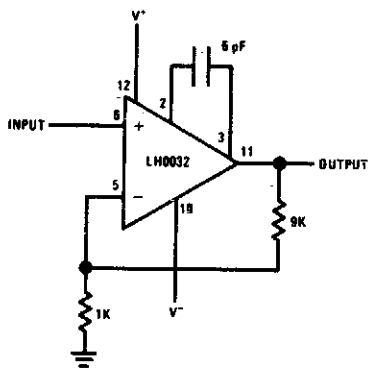
### STABLE, HIGH-IMPEDANCE BUFFER



SR = 0.25V/μsec  
 Z<sub>IN</sub> = 200Ω  
 200 × 10<sup>8</sup>  
 I<sub>N</sub> = 1.0nA  
 OUTPUT NOISE = 0.35μV P-P TYP  
 OUTPUT OFFSET = 0.2mV TYP  
 BANDWIDTH = 1.2MHz

Fig. 13-9

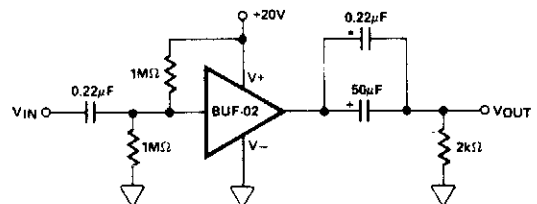
### 10 × BUFFER AMPLIFIER



TYP. BW<sub>3dB</sub> = 10 MHz

Fig. 13-8

### HIGH-SPEED SINGLE-SUPPLY AC BUFFER



\*NEEDED FOR LOW IMPEDANCE AT HIGH FREQUENCIES

I<sub>LOW</sub> AT V<sub>IN</sub> = 1.45Hz  
 I<sub>LOW</sub> AT V<sub>OUT</sub> = 1.69Hz -3dB  
 ASSUME V<sub>IN</sub> = 10V P-P SINE WAVE (5V PEAK)  
 THEN FULL POWER BANDWIDTH IS  
 APPROXIMATELY 800kHz.

Fig. 13-10

# 14

## Capacitance (Touch) Operated Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Capacitance Relay

Capacitance Operated, Battery Powered Light

Touch Sensitive Switch

Low Current Touch Switch

Capacitance Switched Light

Momentary Operation Touch Switch

Touch Triggered Bistable

Capacitance Operated Alarm to Foil Purse  
Snatchers

Self-Biased Proximity Sensor Works on De-  
tected Changing Fields

Touch Switch or Proximity Detector

Finger Touch Touch or Control Switch

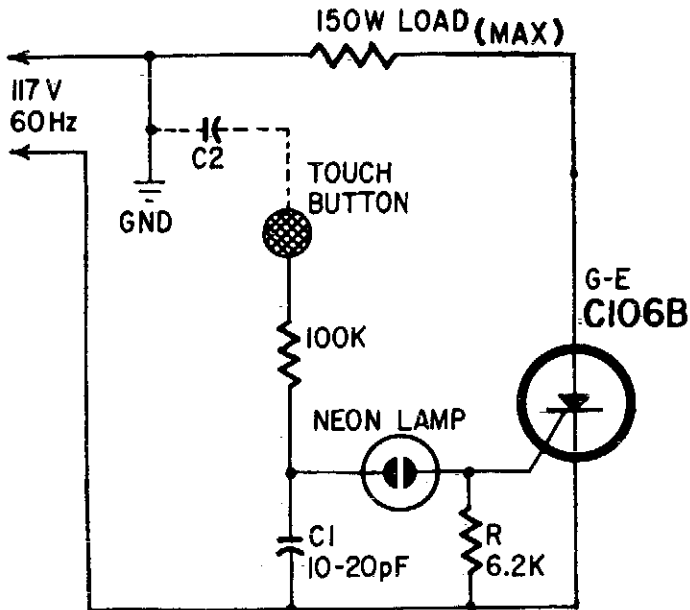
Proximity Detector

Touch Circuit

CMOS Touch Switch

Latching Double-Button Touch  
Switch

## CAPACITANCE RELAY



NOTE: ALL RESISTORS 1/2 WATT

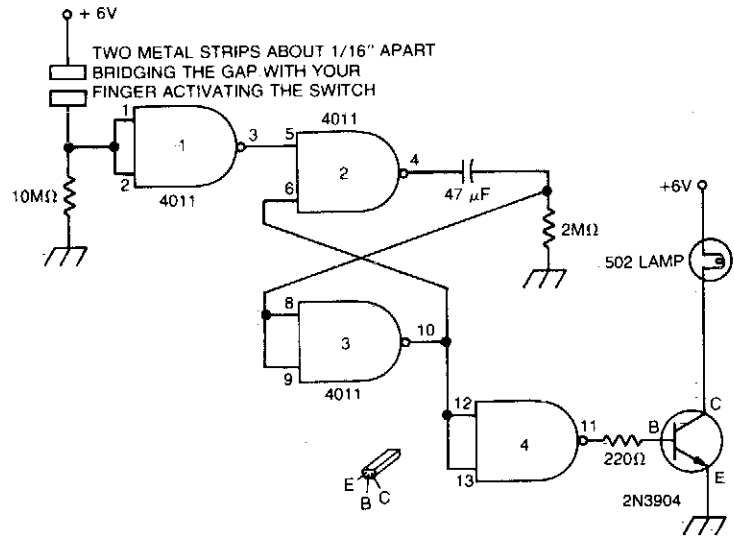
Fig. 14-1

### Circuit Notes

Capacitor C1 and body capacitance (C2) of the operator form the voltage divider from the hot side of the ac line to ground. The voltage across C1 is determined by the ratio of C1 to C2. The higher voltage is developed across the smaller capacitor. When no one is close to the touch button, C2 is smaller than C1. When a hand is brought close to the button, C2 is many times larger than C1 and the major portion of

the line voltage appears across C1. This voltage fires the neon lamp, C1 and C2 discharge through the SCR gate, causing it to trigger and pass current through the load. The sensitivity of the circuit depends on the area of the touch plate. When the area is large enough, the circuit responds to the proximity of an object rather than to touch. C1 may be made variable so sensitivity can be adjusted.

## CAPACITANCE OPERATED, BATTERY POWERED LIGHT

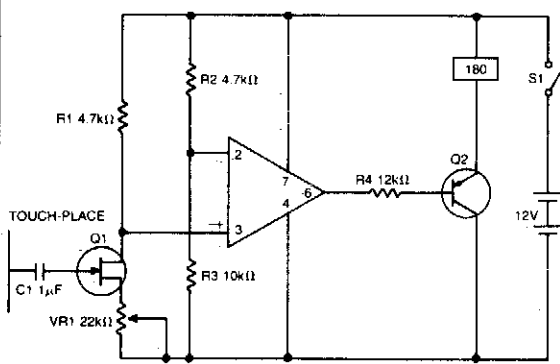


**Fig. 14-2**

### Circuit Notes

Touch the plate and the light will go on and remain on for a time determined by the time constant of the 47 μF capacitor and the 2M resistor.

## TOUCH-SENSITIVE SWITCH



### Circuit Notes

A high impedance input is provided by Q1, a general purpose field effect transistor. 741 op amp is used as a sensitive voltage level switch which in turn operates the current Q2, a medium current PNP bipolar transistor, thereby energizing the relay which can be used to control equipment, alarms, etc.

**Fig. 14-3**

### LOW CURRENT TOUCH SWITCH

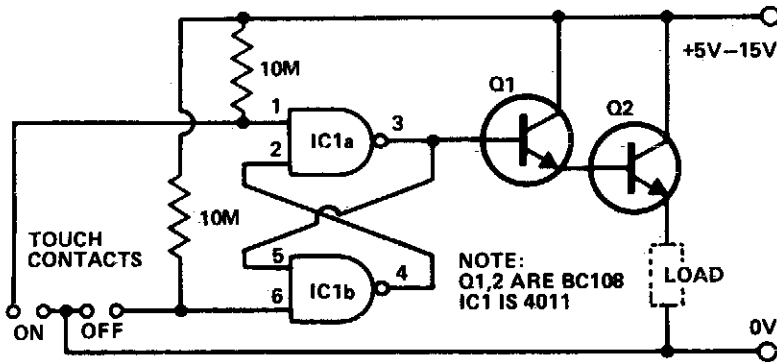
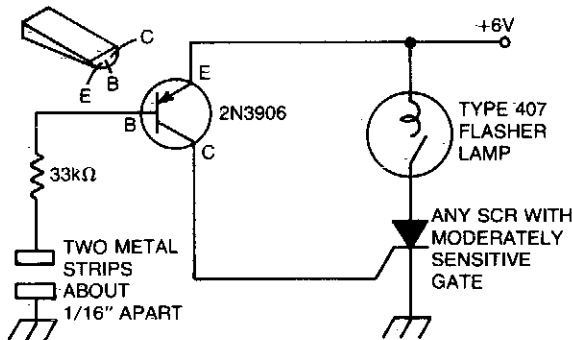


Fig. 14-4

#### Circuit Notes

Touching the on contacts with a finger brings pin 3 high, turning on the Darlington pair and supplying power to the load (transistor radio etc). Q1 must be a high gain transistor, and Q2 is chosen for the current required by the load circuit.

### CAPACITANCE SWITCHED LIGHT

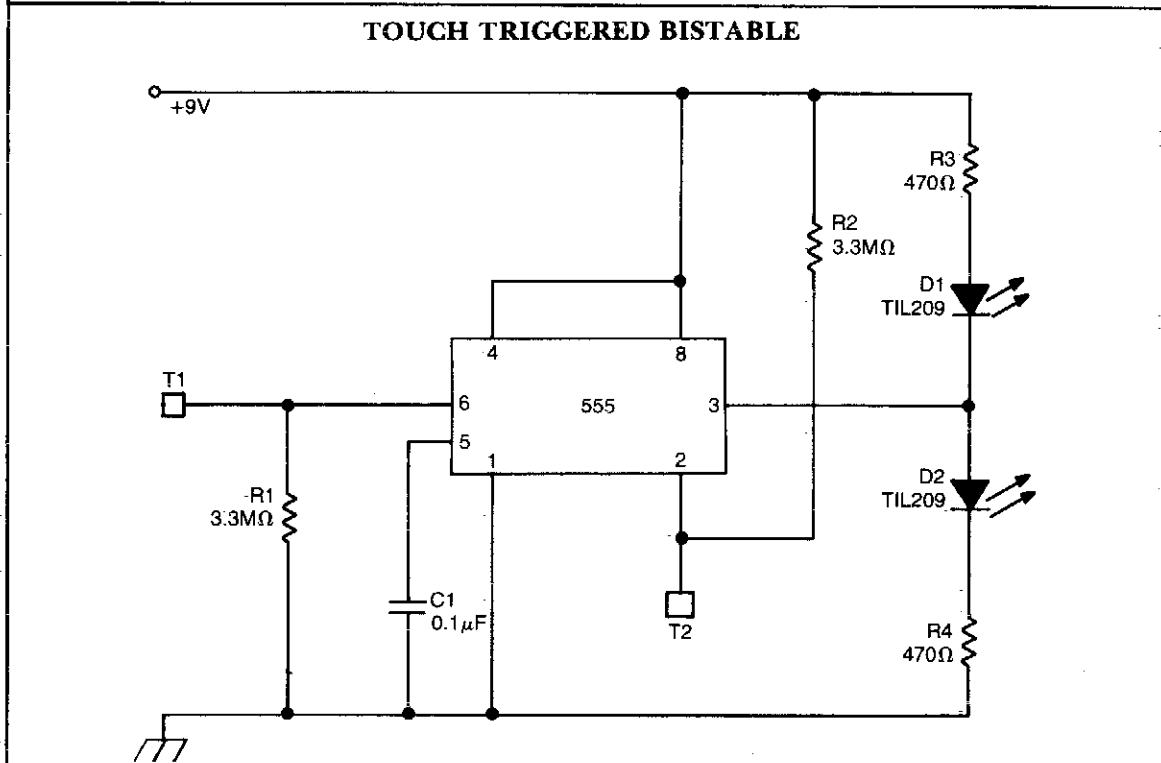
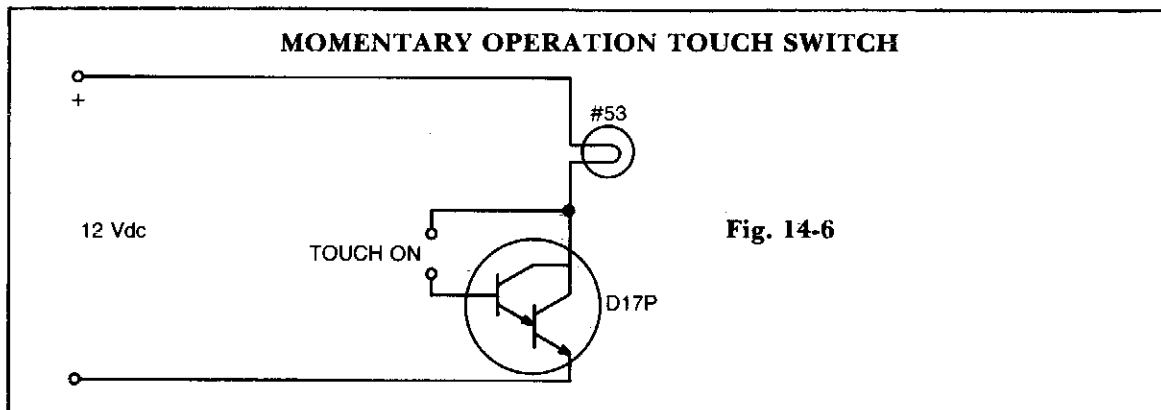


#### Circuit Notes

The battery-powered light turns on easily, stays on for just a few seconds, and then turns off again. The circuit is triggered when you place a finger across the gap between two strips of metal, about 1/16th inch apart. Enough current will flow through your finger to trigger the SCR after being amplified by the 2N3906. Once the SCR is fired, current will flow through the bulb until its internal bimetal switch turns it off. Once that happens, the SCR will return to its nonconducting state.

Fig. 14-5





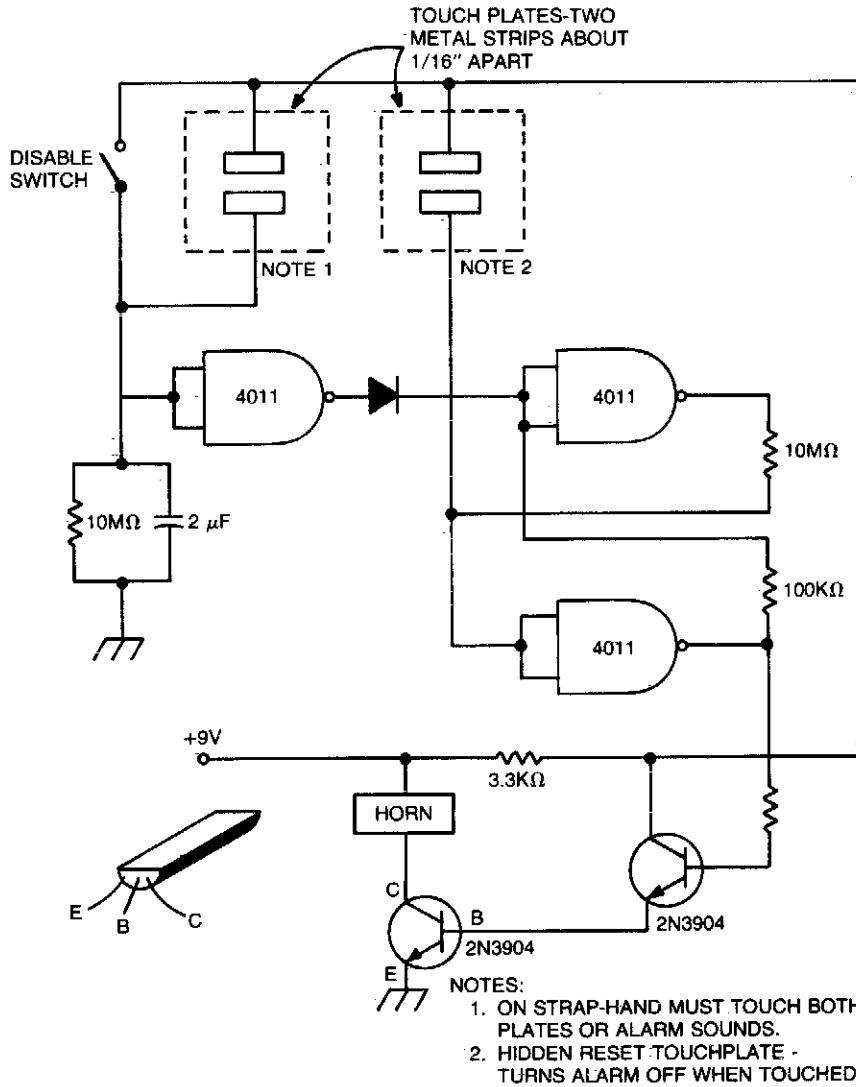
**Fig. 14-7**

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a 555 timer in the bistable mode. Touching T2 causes the output to go high; D2 conducts and D1 extinguishes. Touching T1 causes the output to go low; D1 conducts and D2 is cut off. The output from pin 3 can also be used to operate other circuits

(e.g., a triac controlled lamp). In this case, the LEDs are useful for finding the touch terminals in the dark. C1 is not absolutely necessary but helps to prevent triggering from spurious pulses.

## CAPACITANCE OPERATED ALARM TO FOIL PURSE SNATCHERS

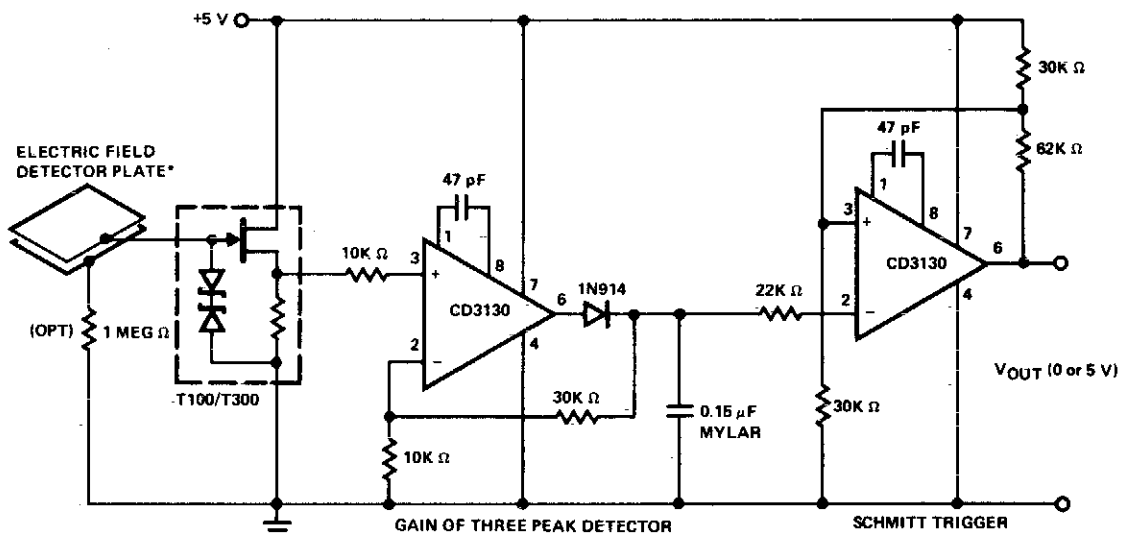


**Fig. 14-8**

### Circuit Notes

As long as touch plates (1) are touched together, the alarm is off. If not held for about 30 seconds, the alarm goes off. The circuit can be disabled with switch or by touching the plates (2). The alarm is battery operated by a bicycle horn.

### SELF-BIASED PROXIMITY SENSOR WORKS ON DETECTED CHANGING FIELD



\*DETECTOR PLATE MAY BE DOUBLE-SIDED PC BOARD OR ANY INSULATED METAL SHEET

Fig. 14-9

### TOUCH SWITCH OR PROXIMITY DETECTOR

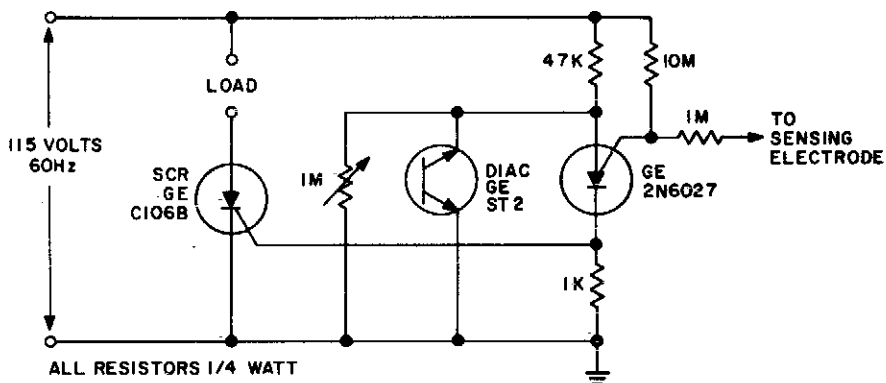


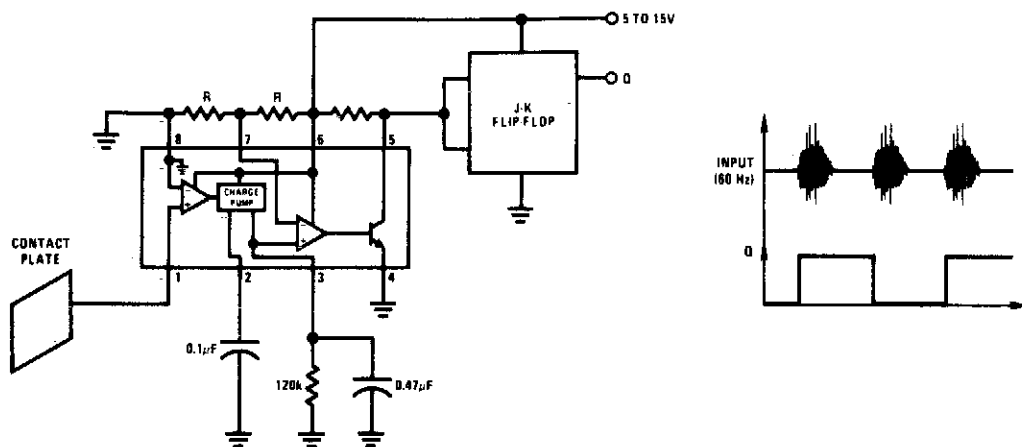
Fig. 14-10

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is actuated by an increase in capacitance between a sensing electrode and the ground side of the line. The sensitivity can be adjusted to switch when a human body is within inches of the insulated plate used as the

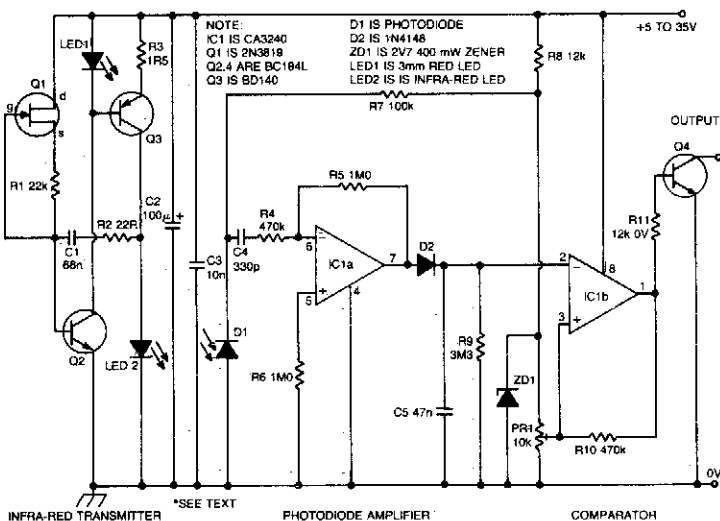
sensing electrode. Thus, sensitivity is adjusted with the 1 megohm potentiometer which determines the anode voltage level prior to clamping. This sensitivity will be proportional to the area of the surface opposing each other.

## FINGER TOUCH OR CONTACT SWITCH



**Fig. 14-11**

## PROXIMITY DETECTOR



**Fig. 14-12**

### Circuit Notes

The proximity sensor works on the principle of transmitting a beam of modulated infra-red light from the emitter diode LED2, and receiving reflections from objects passing in front of the beam with a photodiode detector

D1. The circuit can be split into three distinct stages; the infra-red transmitter, the photodiode amplifier, and a variable threshold comparator.

### TOUCH CIRCUIT

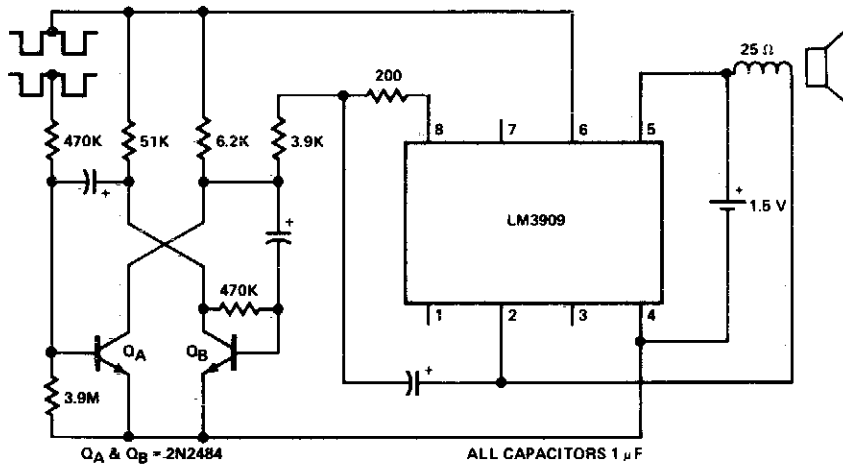


Fig. 14-13

### CMOS TOUCH SWITCH

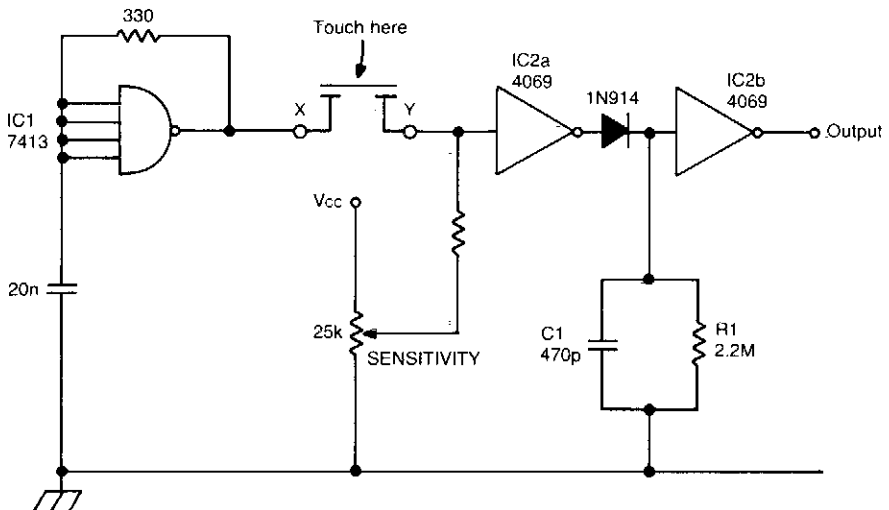


Fig. 14-14

#### Circuit Notes

This touch switch does not rely on mains hum for switching. It can be used with battery powered circuits. Schmitt trigger IC1 forms a 100 kHz oscillator and IC2a which is biased into the linear region, amplifies the output and

charges C1 via the diode. IC2b acts as a level detector. When the sensor is touched, the oscillator signal is severely attenuated which causes C1 to discharge and IC2b to change state.

### LATCHING, DOUBLE BUTTON TOUCH SWITCH

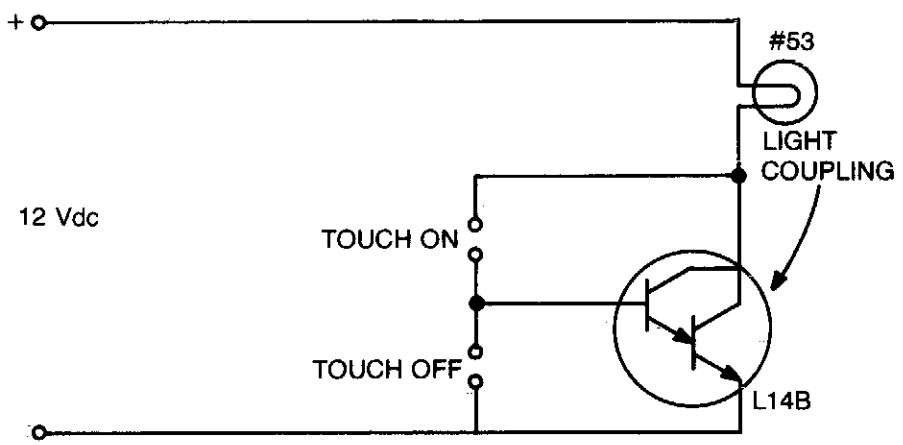


Fig. 14-15

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## Carrier Current Circuits

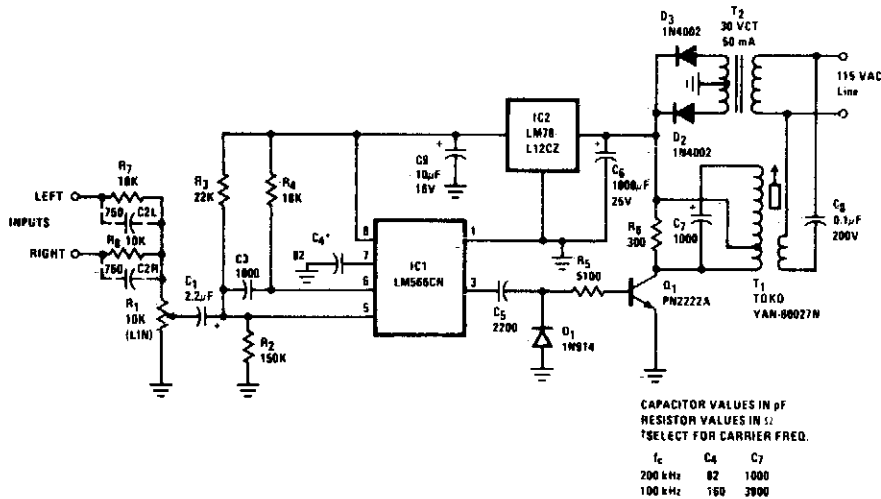
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FM Carrier Current Remote Speaker  
System  
200 kHz Line Carrier Transmitter with  
On/Off Carrier Modulation  
Carrier Current Receiver  
Carrier Current Transmitter

Carrier Current Transmitter  
Integrated Circuit Current Transmitter  
Single Transistor Carrier Current Receiver  
IC Carrier-Current Receiver  
Carrier-Current Remote Control or  
Intercom

## Carrier System Transmitter



## Carrier System Receiver

### FM CARRIER CURRENT REMOTE SPEAKER SYSTEM

#### Circuit Notes

High quality, noise free, wireless FM transmitter/receiver operates over standard power lines. Complete system is suitable for high-quality transmission of speech or music, and will operate from any ac outlet anywhere on a one-acre homesite. Frequency response is 20-20,000 Hz and THD is under 1/2%. Trans-

mission distance along a power line is at least adequate to include all outlets in and around a suburban home and yard.

Two input terminals are provided so that both left and right signals of a stereo set may be combined for mono transmission to a single remote speaker if desired.



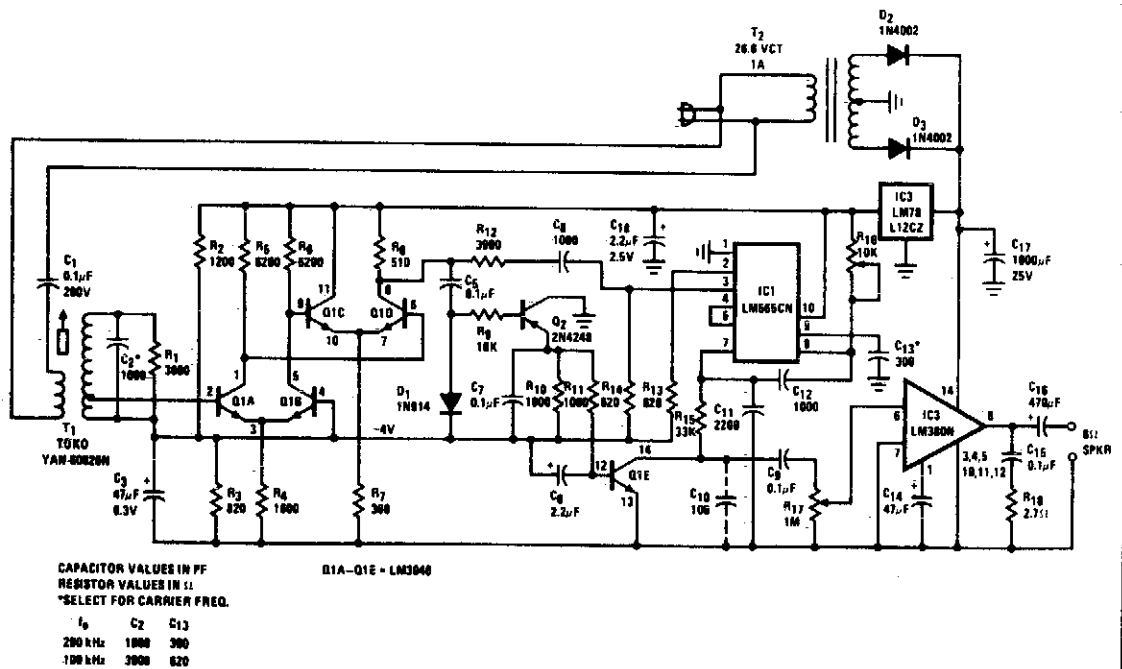
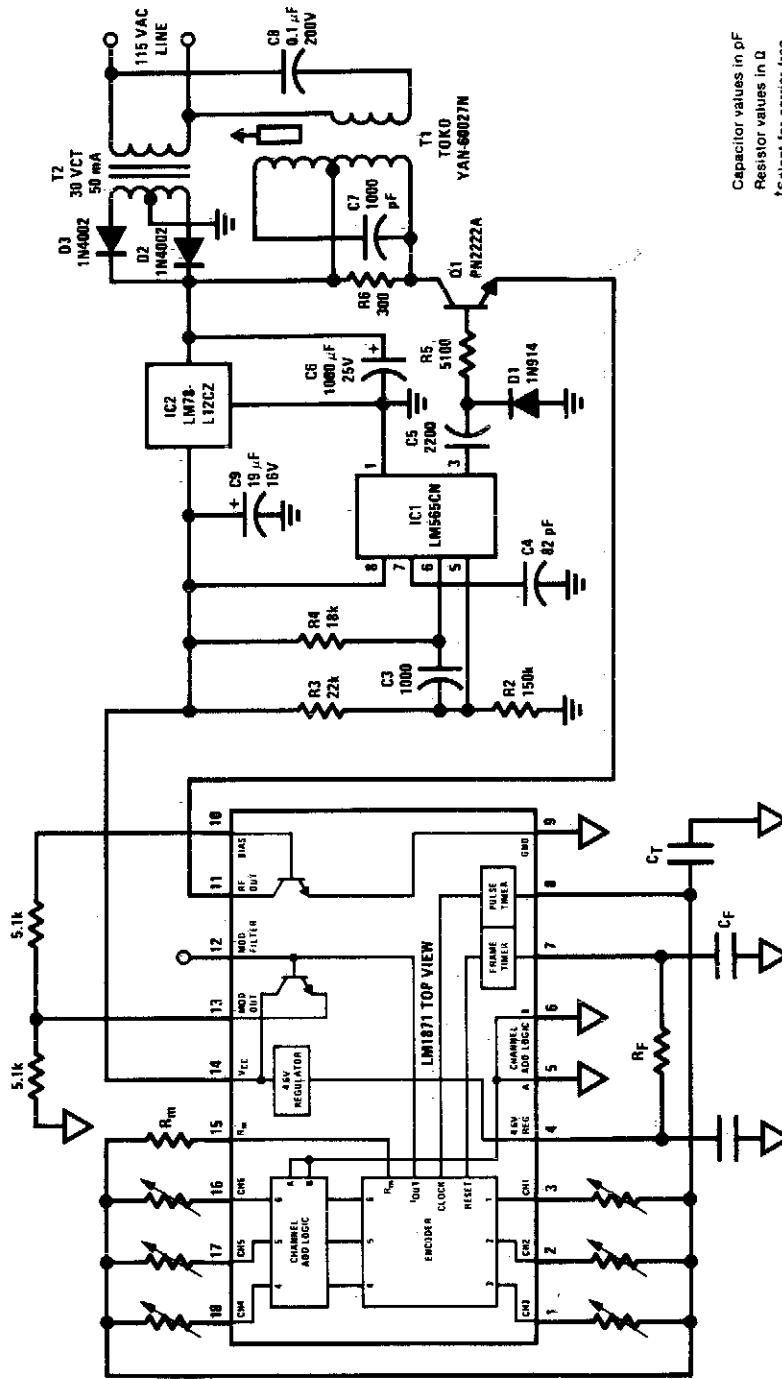


Fig. 15-1

The receiver amplifies, limits, and demodulates the received FM signal. It provides

audio mute in the absence of carrier and 2.5 W output to a speaker.

## 200 kHz LINE CARRIER TRANSMITTER WITH ON/OFF CARRIER MODULATOR

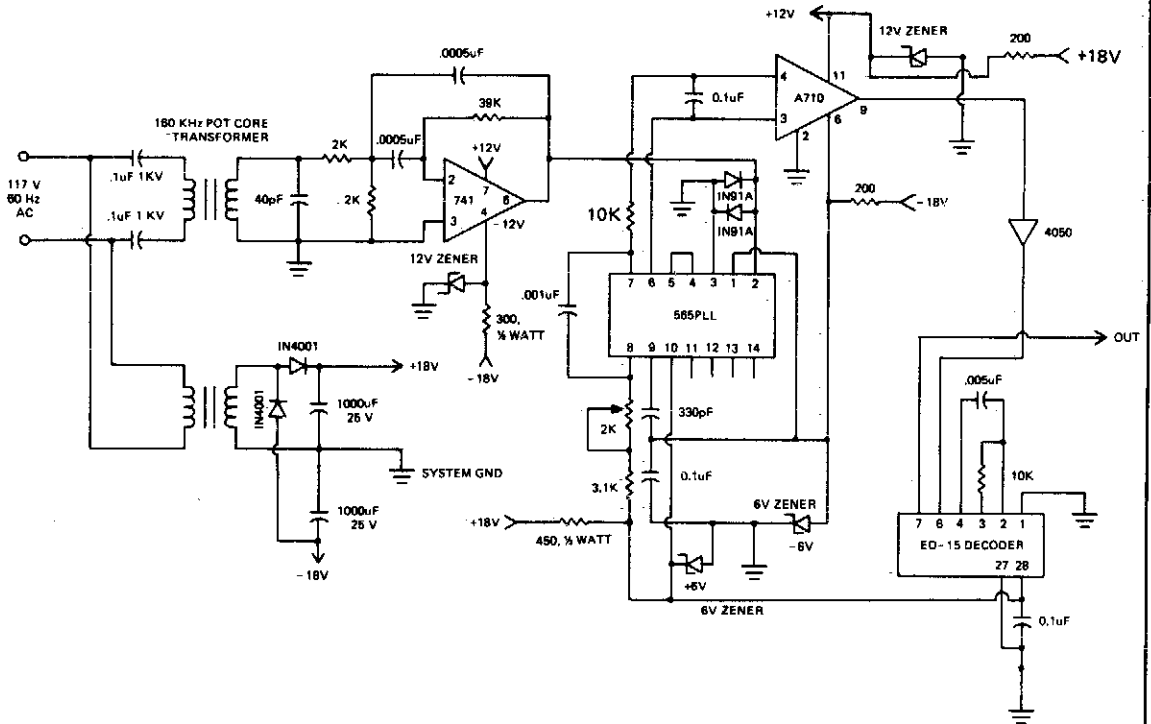


Capacitor values in pF  
Resistor values in Ω  
†Select for carrier freq.

|    |     |      |
|----|-----|------|
| C4 | 82  | 1000 |
| C7 | 160 | 3900 |

Fig. 15-2

## CARRIER CURRENT RECEIVER



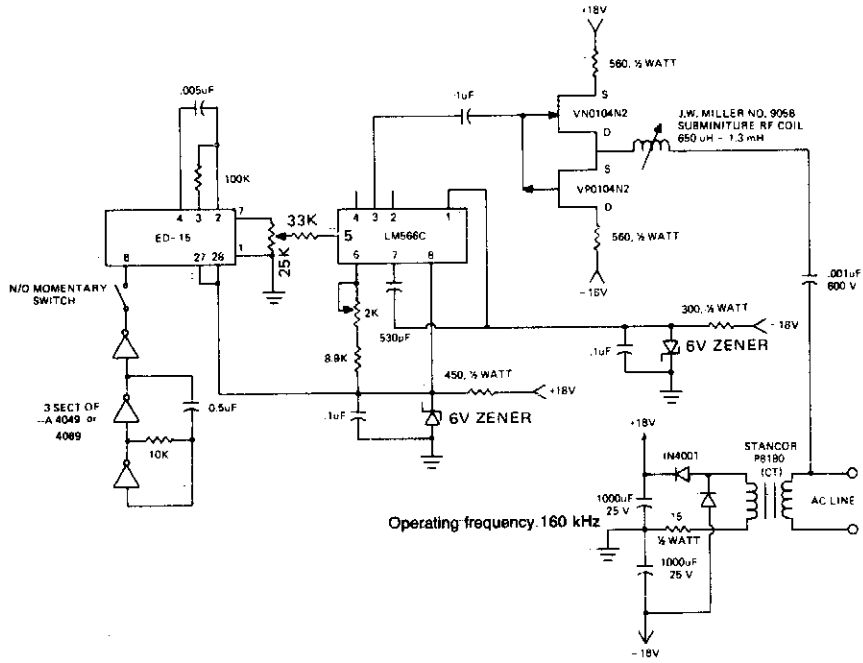
**Fig. 15-3**

### Circuit Notes

160 kHz transformer consists of a 18 × 11mm ungapped pot core (Siemens, Ferrocube, etc.), utilizing magnetics incorporated type "F" material wound with 80½ turns of No.

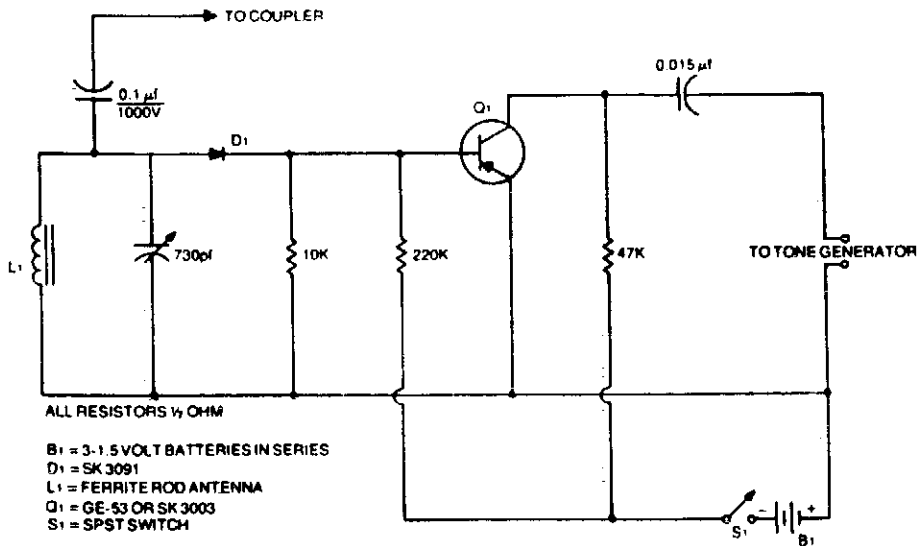
35 wire for the secondary and 5½ turns for the primary. This gives a turns ratio of approximately 15 to 1.

## CARRIER CURRENT TRANSMITTER



**Fig. 15-4**

## CARRIER CURRENT TRANSMITTER



**Fig. 15-5**

### IC CARRIER CURRENT TRANSMITTER

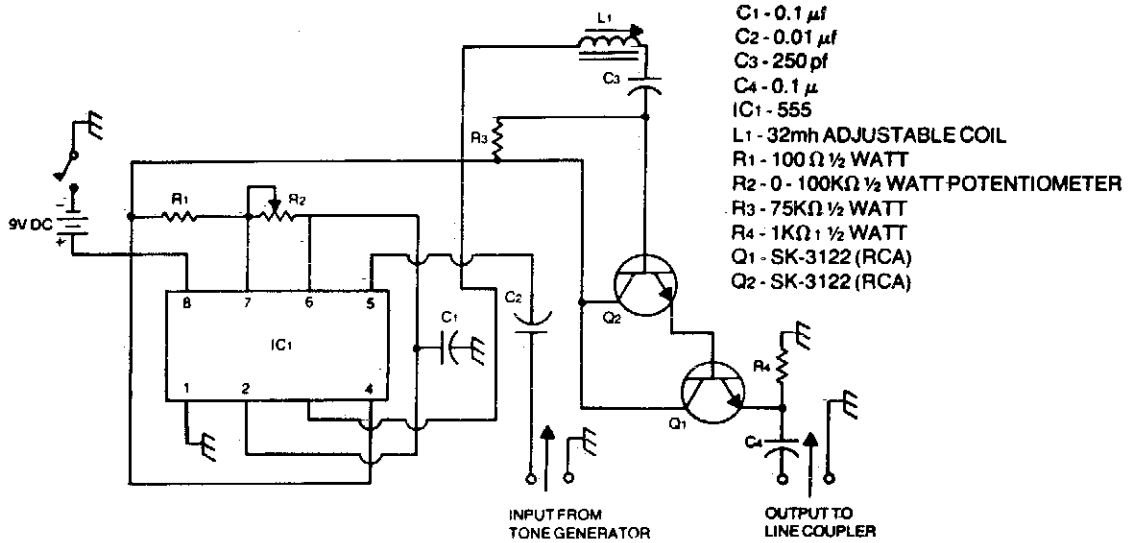


Fig. 15-6

### SINGLE TRANSISTOR CARRIER CURRENT RECEIVER

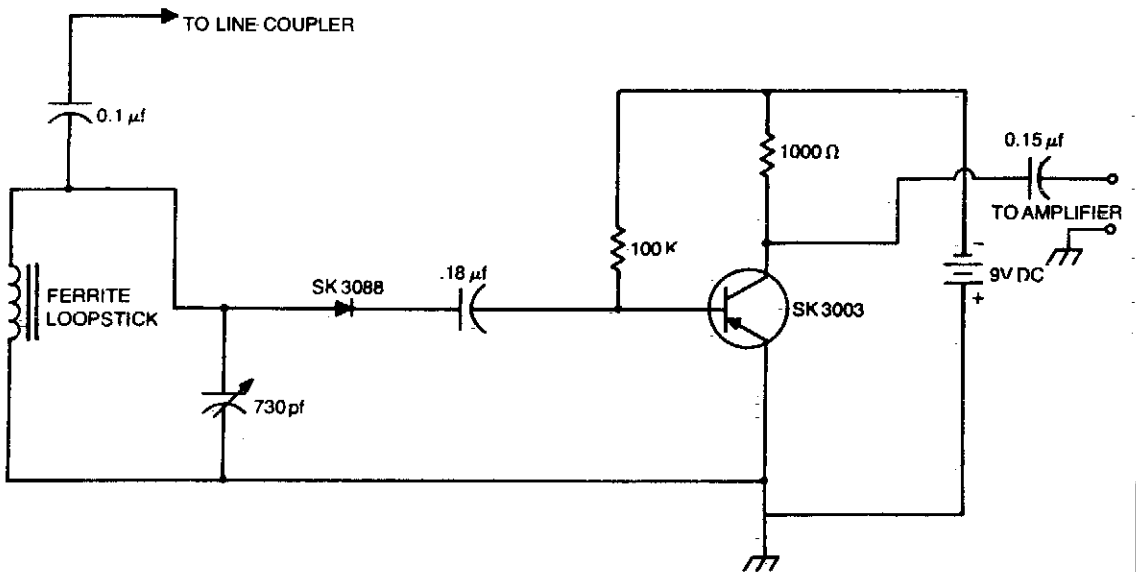


Fig. 15-7

### IC CARRIER-CURRENT RECEIVER

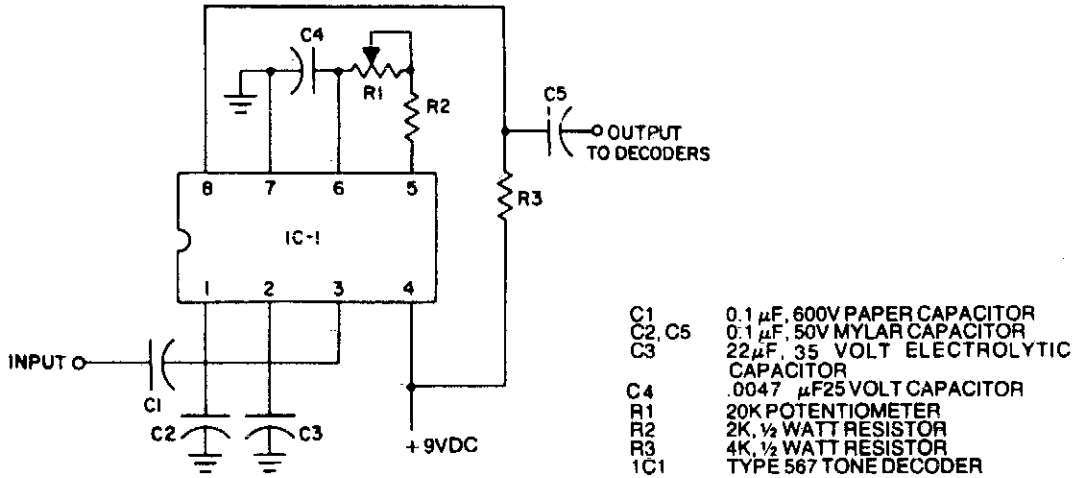


Fig. 15-8

### CARRIER-CURRENT REMOTE CONTROL OR INTERCOM

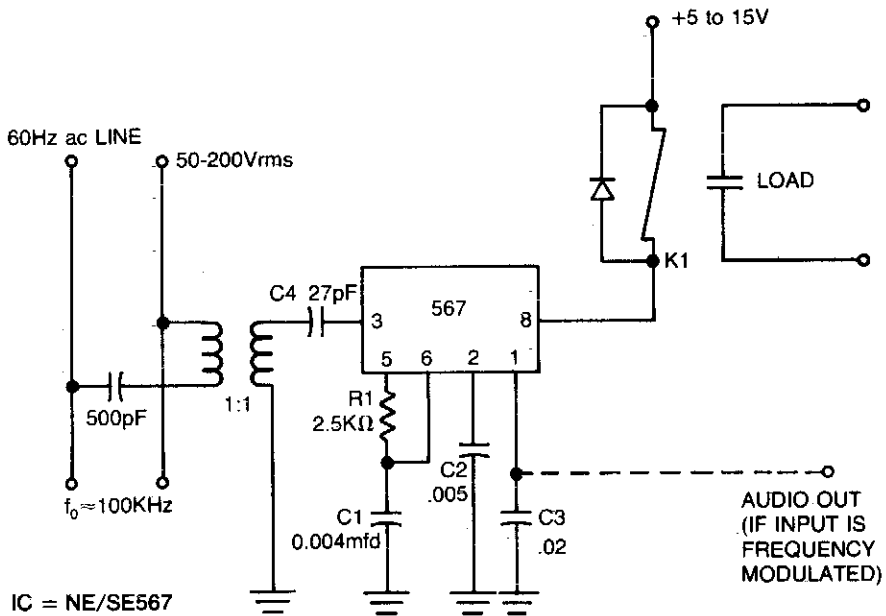


Fig. 15-9

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## Comparators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Null Detector                            | Window Comparator                          |
| Comparator with Variable Hysteresis      | Micropower Double-Ended Limit Detector     |
| Diode Feedback Comparator                | Opposite Polarity Input Voltage Comparator |
| Undervoltage/Overvoltage Indicator       | Limit Comparator                           |
| Dual Limit Comparator                    | Comparator Clock Circuit                   |
| High/Low Limit Alarm                     | Double-Ended Limit Comparator              |
| Window Comparator                        | Limit Comparator                           |
| Window Comparator Driving High/Low Lamps | Precision, Dual Limit Go/No Go Tester      |
| Comparator with Time Out                 | Comparator with Hysteresis                 |
| Noninverting Comparator with Hysteresis  | High Impedance Comparator                  |
| Inverting Comparator with Hysteresis     | Comparator                                 |

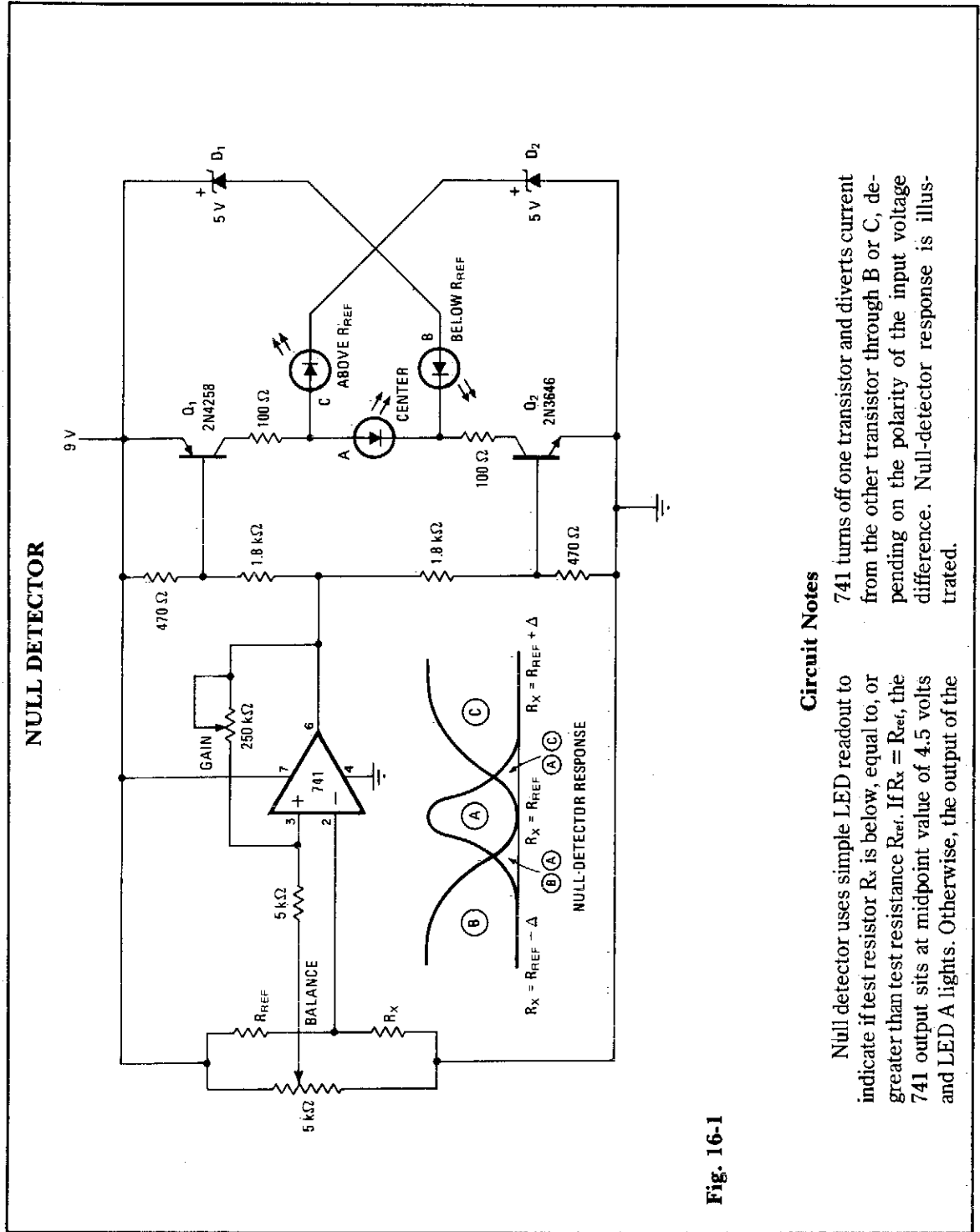
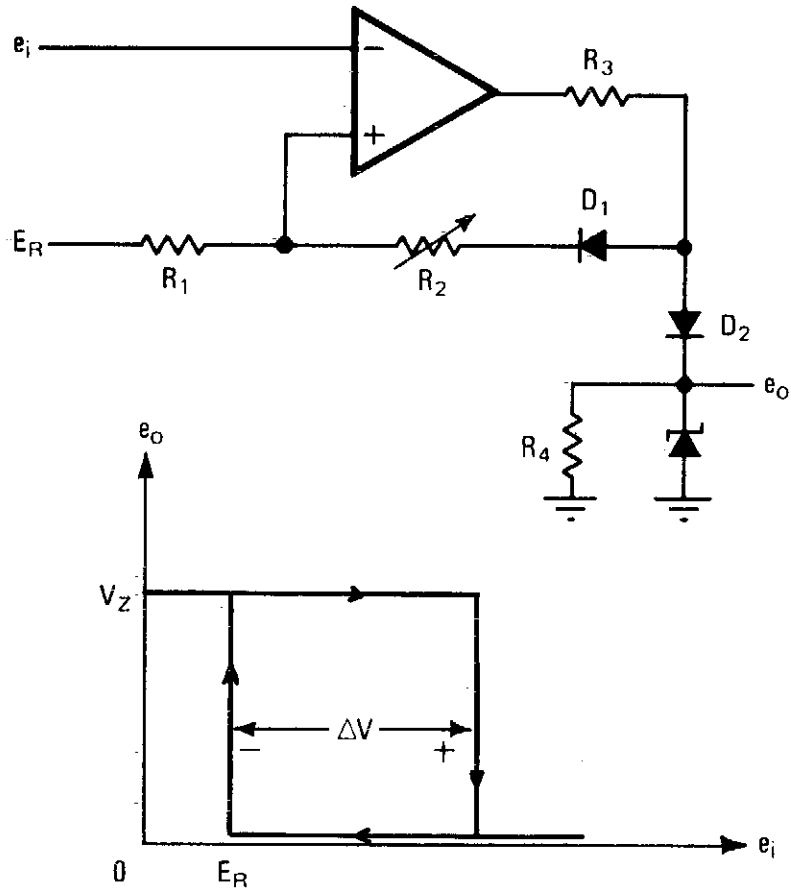


Fig. 16-1



**COMPARATOR WITH VARIABLE  
HYSTERESIS (WITHOUT SHIFTING INITIAL TRIP POINT)**



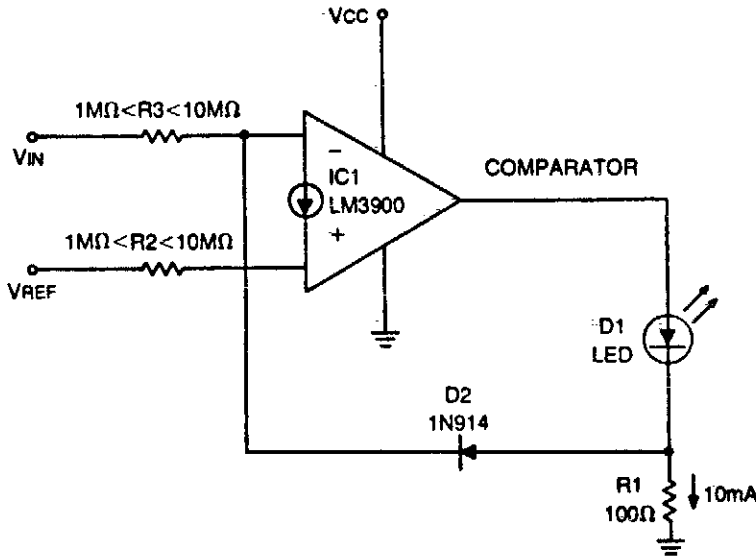
**Fig. 16-2**

**Circuit Notes**

An operational amplifier can be used as a convenient device for analog comparator applications that require two different trip points. The addition of a positive-feedback network introduces a precise variable hysteresis into the usual comparator switching action. Such feedback develops two comparator trip points

centered about the initial trip point or reference point. The voltage difference,  $\Delta V$ , between the trip points can be adjusted by varying resistor  $R_2$ . When the output voltage is taken from the zener diode, as shown, it switches between zero and  $V_Z$ , the zener voltage.

### DIODE FEEDBACK COMPARATOR



**Parts list**

- IC1—LM3900
- D1—LED Lafayette 32P06331V
- D2—1N914
- All resistors 1/4W
- R1—100Ω
- R2—(See circuit) 1MΩ to 10MΩ
- R3—(See circuit) 1MΩ to 10MΩ

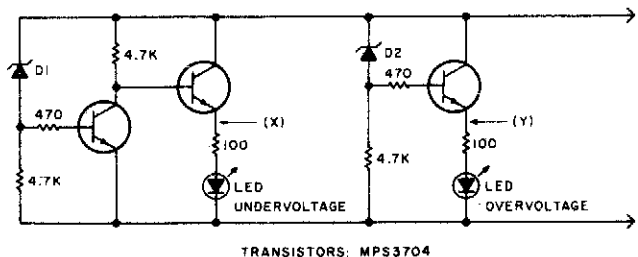
**Fig. 16-3**

**Circuit Notes**

This circuit can drive an LED display with constant current independently of wide power supply voltage changes. It can operate with a power supply range of at least 4V to 30V. With 10M resistances for R2 and R3 and the invert-

ing input of the comparator grounded, the circuit becomes an LED driver with very high input impedance. The circuit can also be used in many other applications where a controllable constant current source is needed.

### UNDERVOLTAGE/OVERVOLTAGE INDICATOR



**Fig. 16-4**

**Circuit Notes**

This circuit will make the appropriate LED glow if the monitored voltage goes below

or above the value determined by zener diodes D1 and D2.

### DUAL LIMIT COMPARATOR

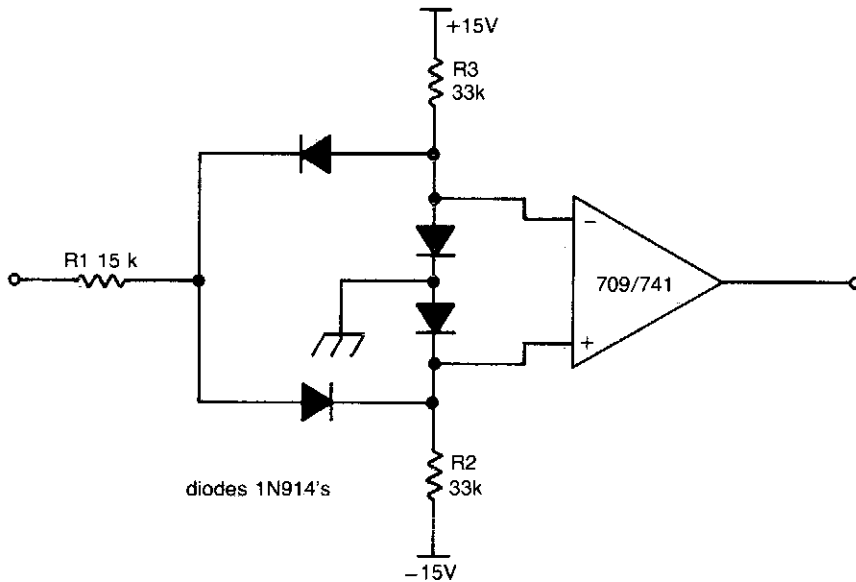


Fig. 16-5

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit gives a positive output when the input voltage exceeds 8.5 volts. Between these limits the output is negative. The positive limit point is determined by the ratio of R1, R2, and the negative point by R1, R3. The

forward voltage drop across the diodes must be allowed for. The output may be inverted by reversing the inputs to the op amp. The 709 is used without frequency compensation.

### HIGH/LOW LIMIT ALARM

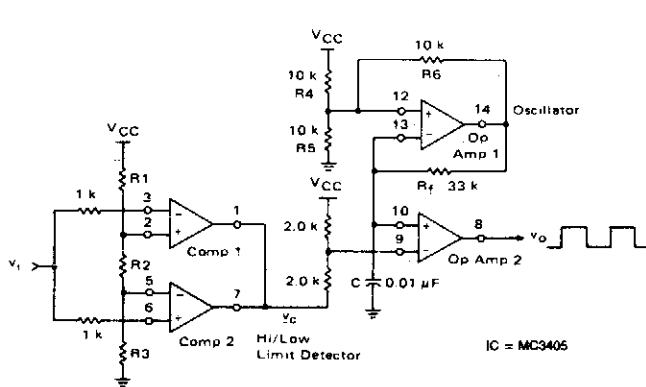
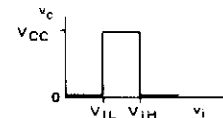


Fig. 16-6



$$V_{IL} = V_{CC} \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

$$V_{IH} = V_{CC} \frac{R_2 + R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

Oscillator

$$\text{If } R_4 = R_5 = R_6 \dots$$

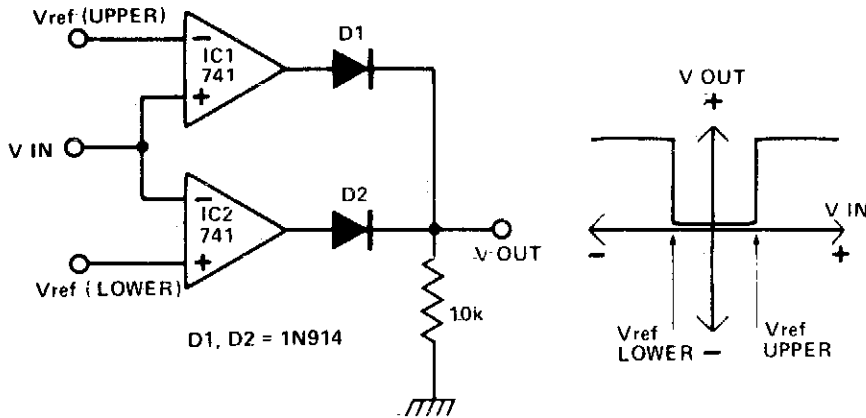
$$f = 0.72/R_f C$$

As Shown,  $f = 2.2 \text{ kHz}$

$v_o$  Will Oscillate If  $V_{IH} < v_i$  or  $V_{IL} > v_i$

$v_o$  Will Be Low If  $V_{IL} < v_i < V_{IH}$

## WINDOW COMPARATOR



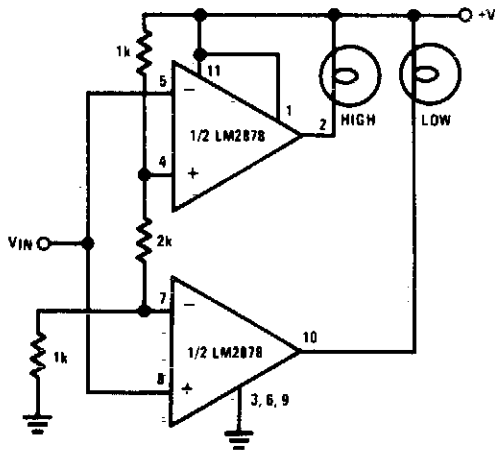
**Fig. 16-7**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit gives an output (which in this case is 0V) when an input voltage lies in between two specified voltages. When it is outside this window, the output is positive. The two op amps are used as voltage comparators. When  $V_{in}$  is more positive than  $V_{ref}$  (upper) the output of IC1 is positive and D1 is forward

biased. Otherwise the output is negative, D1 reverse biased and hence  $V_{out}$  is 0V. Similarly, when  $V_{in}$  is more negative than  $V_{ref}$  (lower), the output of IC2 is positive; D2 is forward biased and this  $V_{out}$  is positive. Otherwise  $V_{out}$  is 0V. When  $V_{in}$  lies within the window set by the reference voltages,  $V_{out}$  is 0V.

## WINDOW COMPARATOR DRIVING HIGH/LOW LAMPS



### TRUTH TABLE

| $V_{IN}$                      | High | Low |
|-------------------------------|------|-----|
| $< 1/4 V^+$                   | Off  | On  |
| $1/4 V^+ \text{ to } 3/4 V^+$ | Off  | Off |
| $> 3/4 V^+$                   | On   | Off |

**Fig. 16-8**

### COMPARATOR WITH TIME OUT

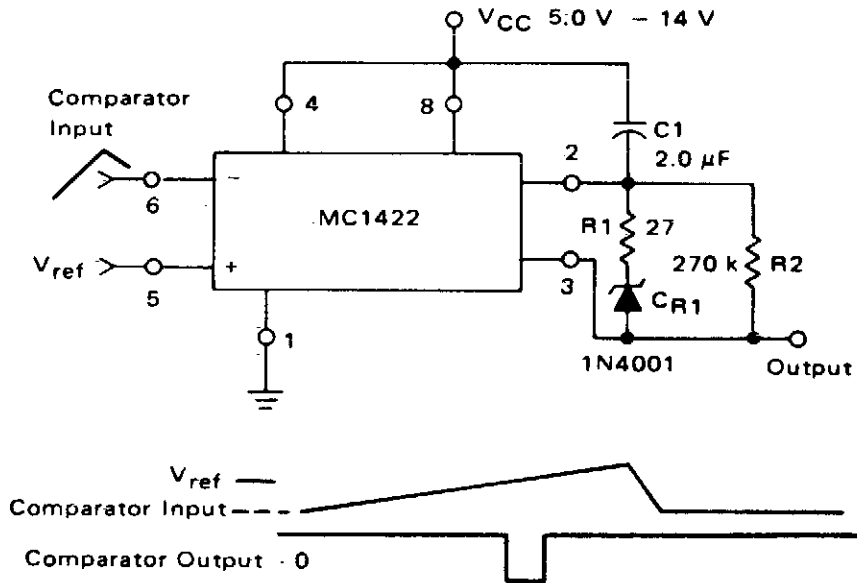


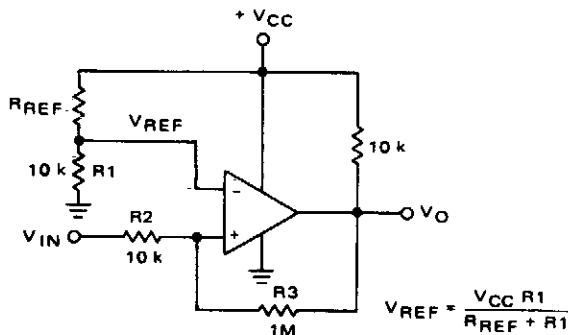
Fig. 16-9

#### Circuit Notes

The MC1422 is used as a comparator with the capability of a timing output pulse when the inverting input (Pin 6) is  $\geq$  the noninverting

input (Pin 5). The frequency of the pulses for the values of R2 and C1 as shown is approximately 2.0 Hz, and the pulse width 0.3 ms.

### NONINVERTING COMPARATOR WITH HYSTERESIS



IC = LM358

$$V_{REF} = \frac{V_{CC} R_1}{R_{REF} + R_1}$$

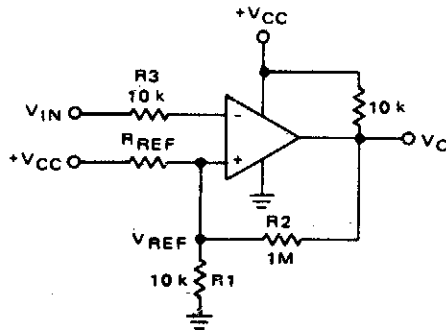
$$R_2 \approx R_1 // R_{REF}$$

Amount of Hysteresis V<sub>H</sub>

$$V_H = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_3} (V_{Omax} - V_{Omin})$$

Fig. 16-10

### INVERTING COMPARATOR WITH HYSTERESIS



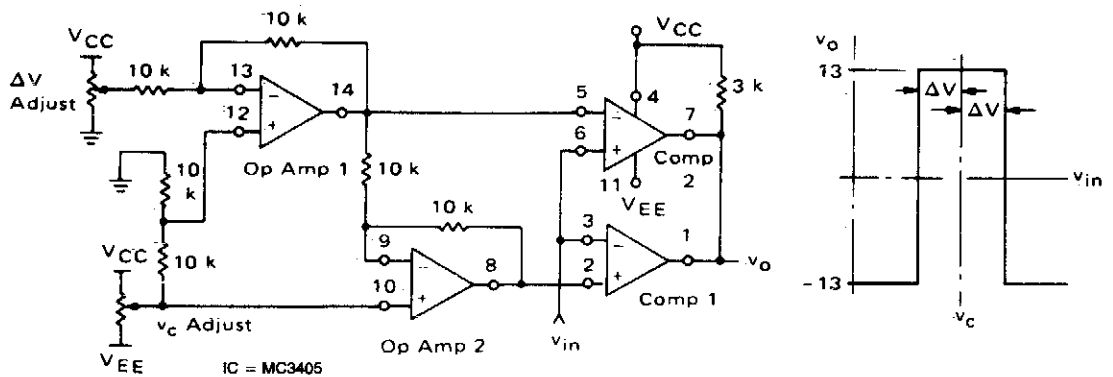
$$V_{REF} \approx \frac{V_{CC} R_1}{R_{REF} + R_1}$$

$$R_3 \approx R_1 // R_{REF} // R_1$$

$$V_H = \frac{R_1 // R_{REF}}{R_1 // R_{REF} + R_2} (V_{Omax} - V_{Omin})$$

**Fig. 16-11**

### WINDOW COMPARATOR



**Fig. 16-12**

## MICROPOWER DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT DETECTOR

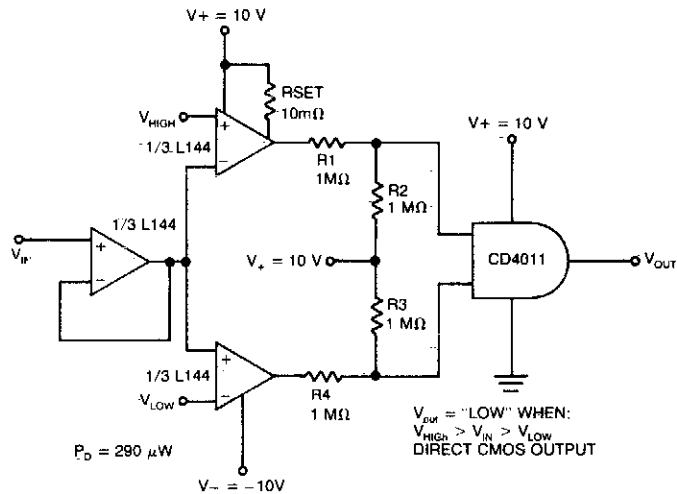


Fig. 16-13

### Circuit Notes

The detector uses three sections of an L144 and a DC4011 type CMOS NAND gate to make a very low power voltage monitor. If the input voltage,  $V_{IN}$ , is above  $V_{HIGH}$  or below  $V_{LOW}$ , the output will be a logical high. If (and only if) the input is between the limits will the output be low. The 1 megohm resistors R1, R2, R3, and R4 translate the bipolar  $\pm 10V$  swing of the op amps to a 0 to 10V swing acceptable to the ground-referenced CMOS logic.

## OPPOSITE POLARITY INPUT VOLTAGE COMPARATOR

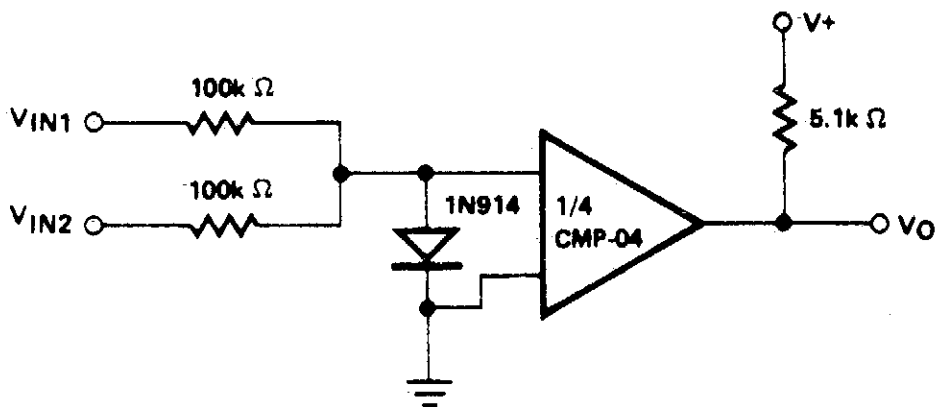


Fig. 16-14

### LIMIT COMPARATOR

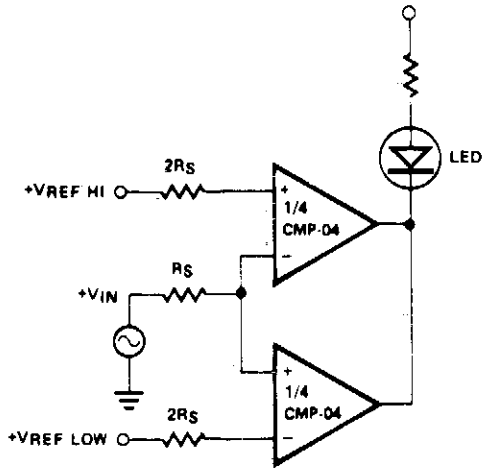


Fig. 16-15

### DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT COMPARATOR

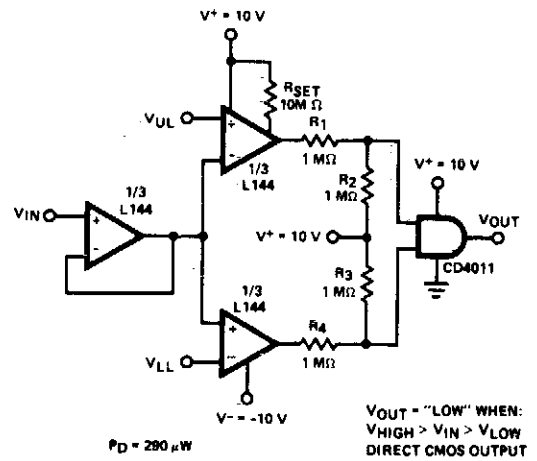


Fig. 16-17

### COMPARATOR CLOCK CIRCUIT

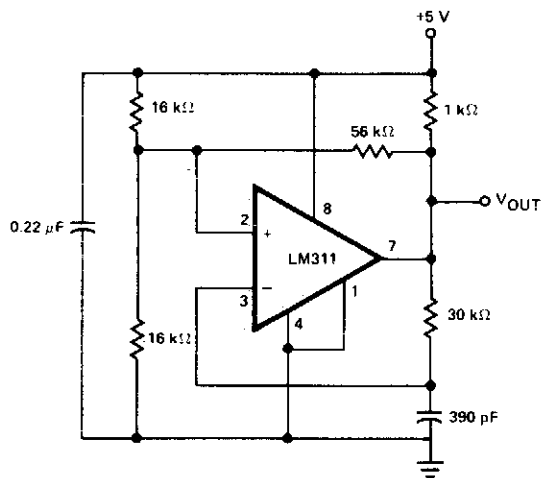


Fig. 16-16

### LIMIT COMPARATOR

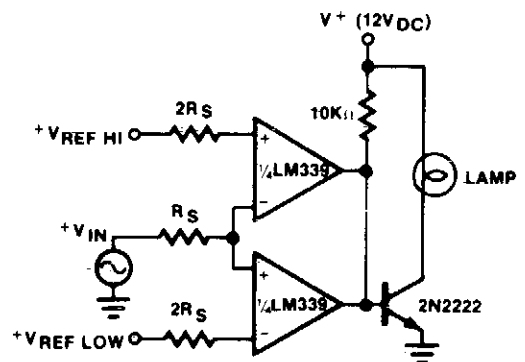


Fig. 16-18



### PRECISION, DUAL LIMIT, GO/NO GO TESTER

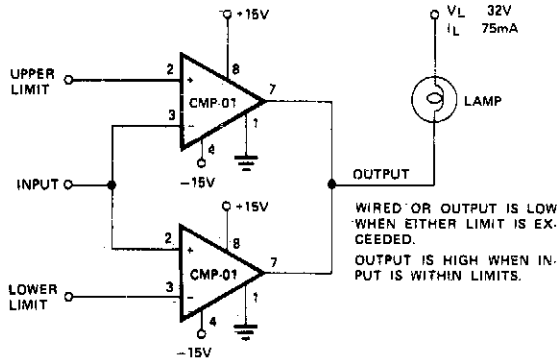


Fig. 16-19

### HIGH IMPEDANCE COMPARATOR

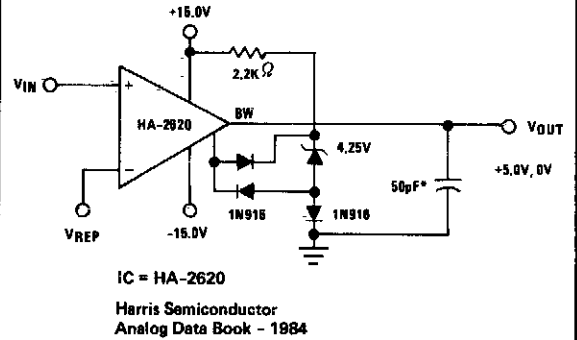


Fig. 16-21

### COMPARATOR WITH HYSTERESIS

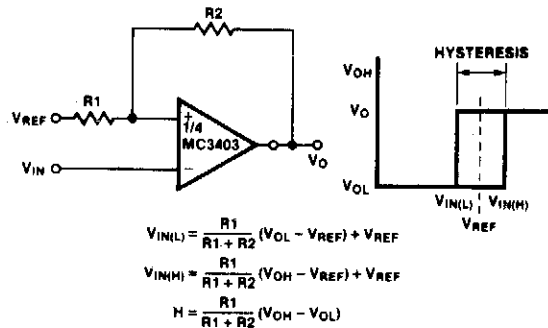


Fig. 16-20

### COMPARATOR

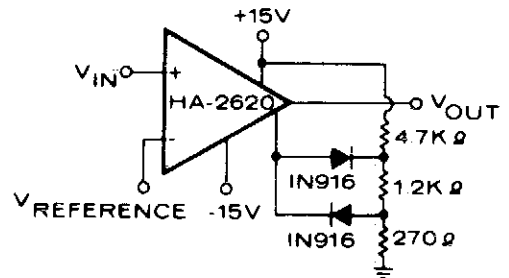


Fig. 16-22

#### Circuit Notes

An operational amplifier is used as a comparator which is capable of driving approximately 10 logic gates.

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## Converters

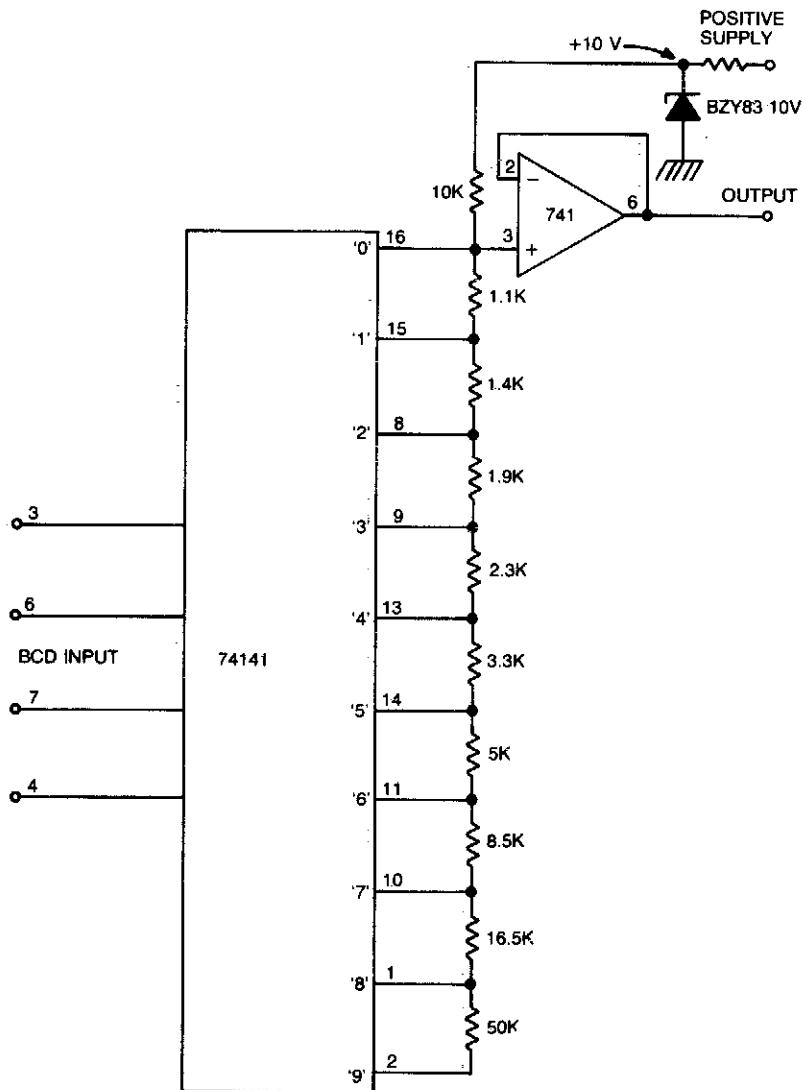
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- Picoampere-to-Frequency Converter
- BCD-to-Analog Converter
- Resistance-to-Voltage Converter
- Low Cost,  $\mu$ P Interfaced, Temperature-to-Digital Converter
- Hi-Lo Resistance-to-Voltage Converter
- Current-to-Voltage Converter
- Calculator-to-Stopwatch Converter
- Power Voltage-to-Current Converter
- High Impedance Precision Rectifier for Ac/Dc Converter
- Wide Range Current-to-Frequency Converter
- Ac-to-Dc Converter
- Current-to-Voltage Converter with 1% Accuracy
- Polarity Converter
- Voltage-to-Current Converter
- Wideband, High-Crest Factor, RMS-to-Dc Converter
- Light Intensity-to-Frequency Converter
- Ohms-to-Volts Converter
- Temperature-to-Frequency Converter
- Multiplexed BCD-to-Parallel BCD Converter
- Fast Logarithmic Converter
- Sine Wave-to-Square Wave Converter
- Self Oscillating Flyback Converter
- TTL-to-MOS Logic Converter
- Picoampere-to-Voltage Converter with Gain



## BCD-TO-ANALOG CONVERTER



**Fig. 17-2**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit will convert four-bit BCD into a variable voltage from 0-9 V in 1 V steps. The SN74141 is a Nixie driver, and has ten open-collector outputs. These are used to ground a selected point in the divider chain determined by the BCD code at the input, and so produce a

corresponding voltage at the output. Accuracy of the circuit depends on the tolerance of the resistors and the accuracy of the reference voltage. However, presets can be used in the divider chain, with correct calibration. The 741 is used as a buffer.



## HI-LO RESISTANCE-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER

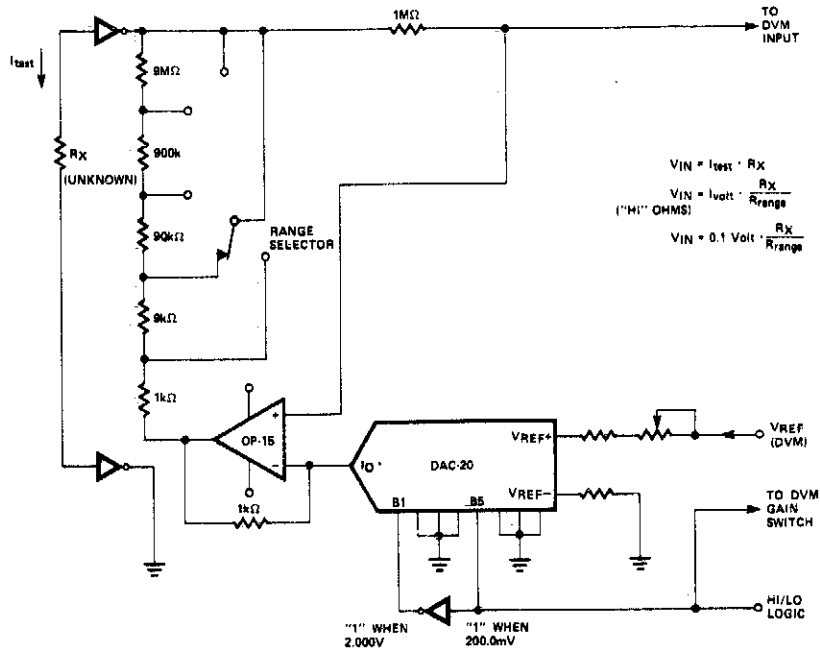
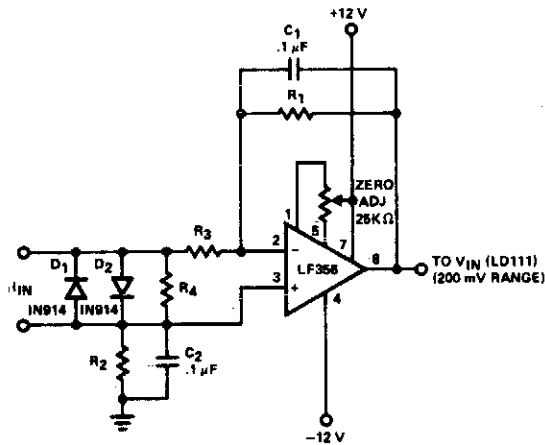


Fig. 17-5

## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



### Circuit Notes

Converter features eight decades of current range. The circuit is intended to be used with the 200.0 mV range of a DVM.

| CURRENT RANGE | R <sub>1</sub> | R <sub>2</sub> | R <sub>3</sub> | R <sub>4</sub> |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 200 nA        | 500 KΩ         | 500 KΩ         | 0              | ∞              |
| 2 μA          | 50 KΩ          | 50 KΩ          | 0              | ∞              |
| 20 μA         | 5 KΩ           | 5 KΩ           | 0              | ∞              |
| 200 μA        | 1 KΩ           | 0              | 0              | ∞              |
| 2 mA          | 50 KΩ          | 0              | 5.0 K          | 10.0 Ω         |
| 20 mA         | 50 KΩ          | 0              | 5.0 K          | 1.0 Ω          |
| 200 mA        | 50 KΩ          | 0              | 5.0 K          | .1 Ω           |
| 2 A           | 50 KΩ          | 0              | 5.0 K          | .01 Ω          |

Fig. 17-6

### CALCULATOR-TO-STOPWATCH CONVERTER

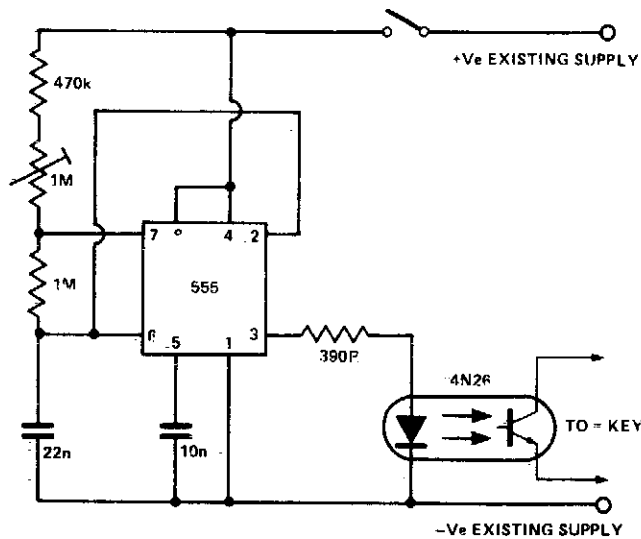


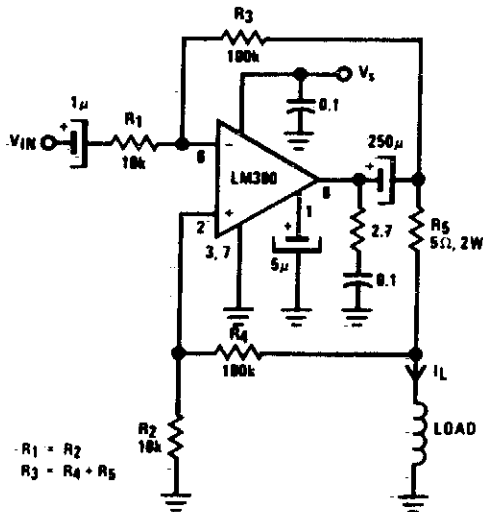
Fig. 17-7

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be fitted to any calculator with an automatic constant to enable it to be used as a stop-watch. The 555 timer is set to run at a suitable frequency and connected to the

existing calculator battery via the push-on push-off switch and the existing calculator on-off switch.

### POWER VOLTAGE-TO-CURRENT CONVERTER



#### Circuit Notes

Low cost converter is capable of supplying constant ac currents up to 1 A over variable loads.

Fig. 17-8

### HIGH IMPEDANCE PRECISION RECTIFIER FOR AC/DC CONVERTER

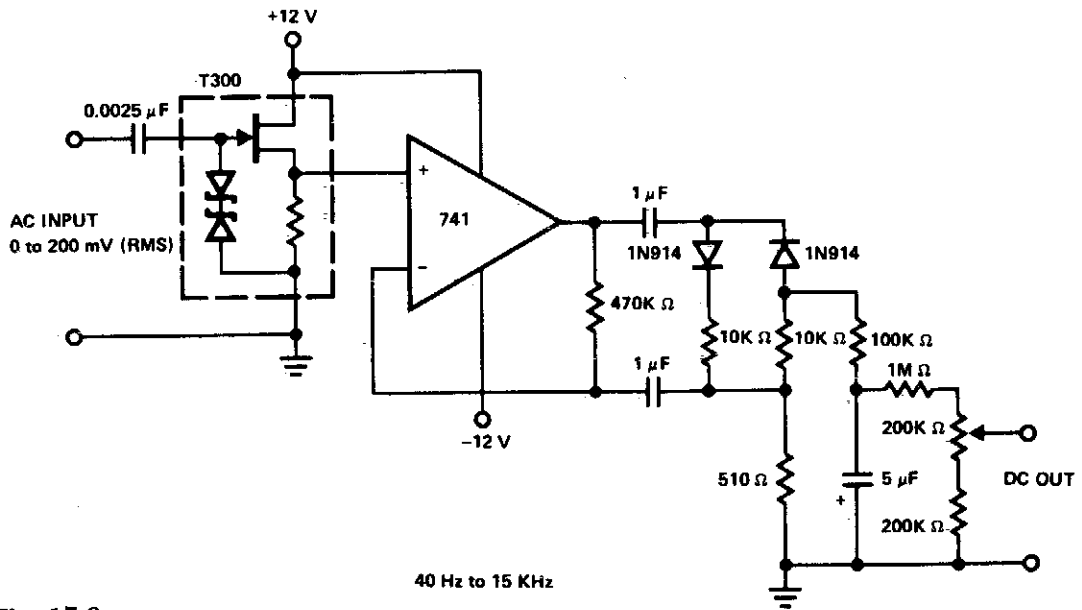
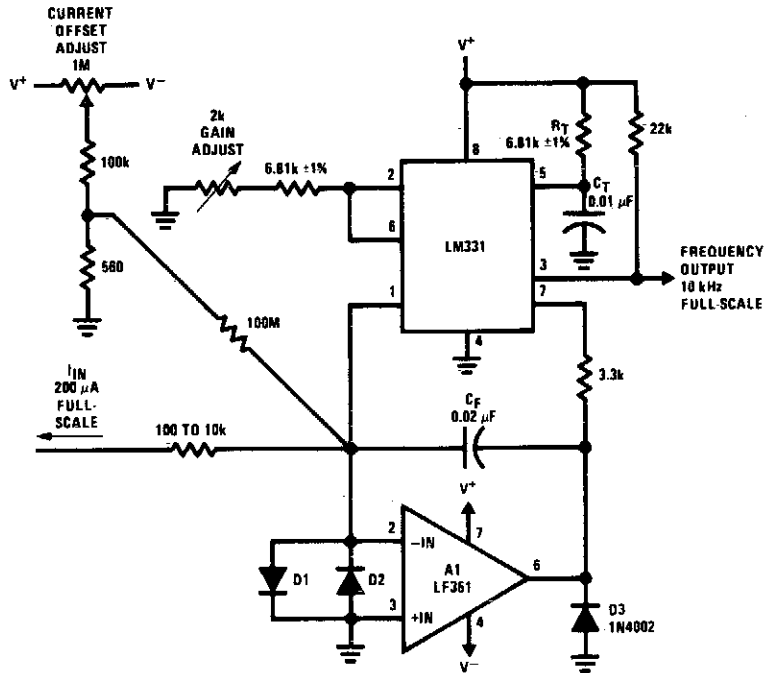


Fig. 17-9

### WIDE-RANGE CURRENT-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



D1, D2 = 1N457, 1N484, or similar low-leakage planar diode

Fig. 17-10



## AC-TO-DC CONVERTER

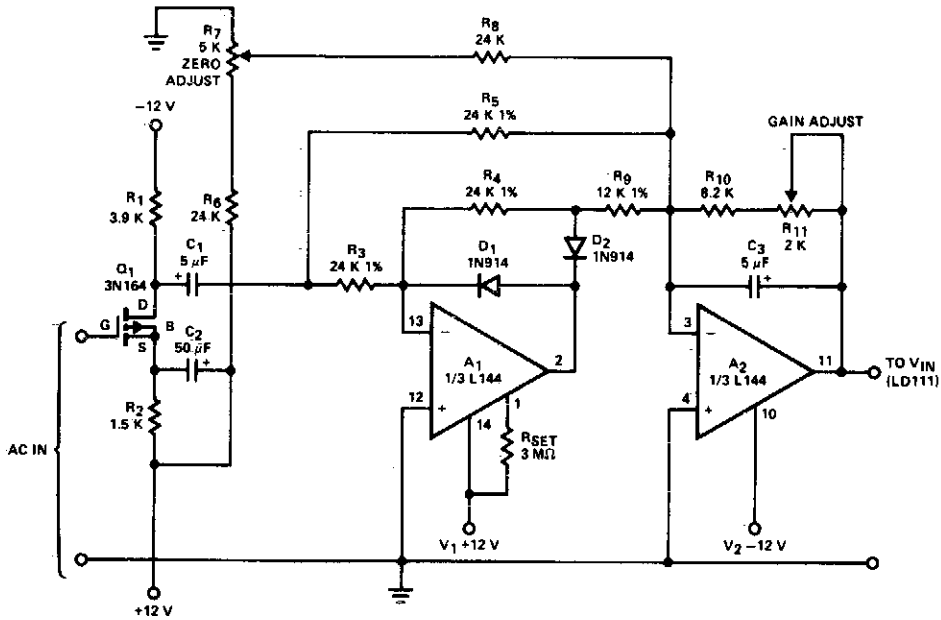


Fig. 17-11

### Circuit Notes

This circuit includes a PMOS enhancement-mode FET input buffer amplifier, coupled to a classical absolute value circuit which essentially eliminates the effect of the forward voltage drop across diodes D1 and D2.

## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH 1% Accuracy

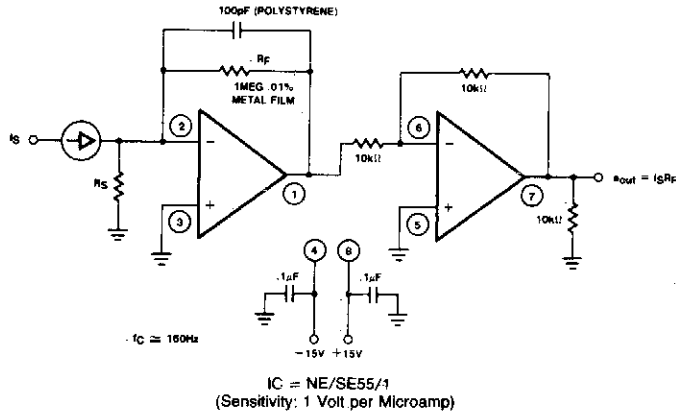


Fig. 17-12

### Circuit Notes

A filter removes the dc component of the rectified ac, which is then scaled to RMS. The output is linear from 40 Hz to 10 kHz or higher.

### POLARITY CONVERTER

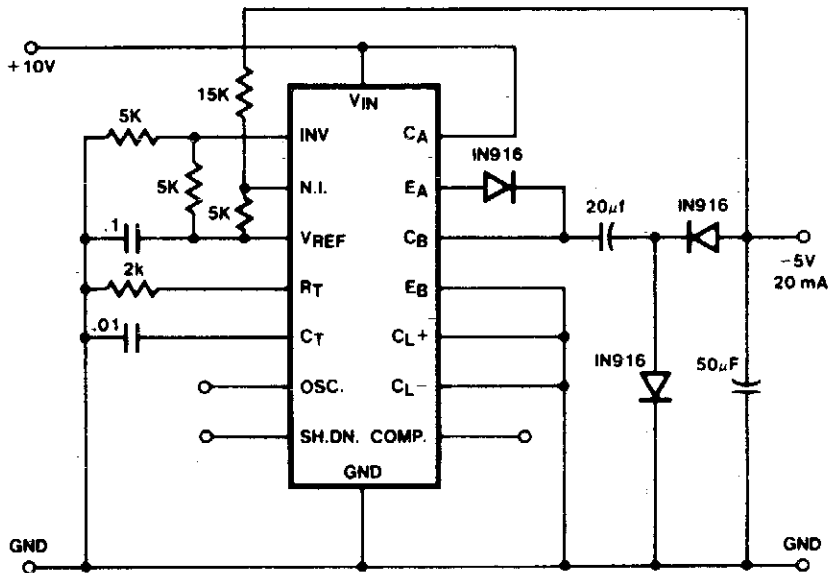


Fig. 17-13

#### Circuit Notes

The capacitor-diode output circuit is used here as a polarity converter to generate a -5 volt supply from +15 volts. This circuit is useful for an output current of up to 20 mA with no additional boost transistors required. Since the

output transistors are current limited, no additional protection is necessary. Also, the lack of an inductor allows the circuit to be stabilized with only the output capacitor.

### VOLTAGE-TO-CURRENT CONVERTER

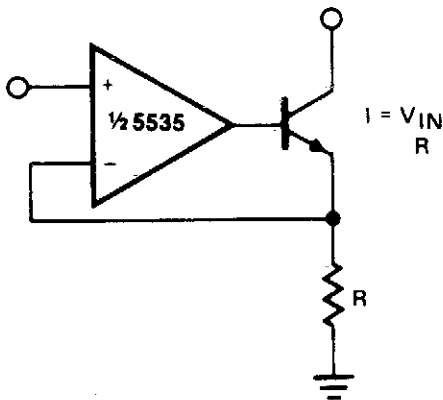


Fig. 17-14

#### Circuit Notes

The current out is  $I_{OUT} \cong V_{IN}/R$ . For negative currents, a PNP can be used and, for better accuracy, a Darlington pair can be substituted for the transistor. With careful design, this circuit can be used to control currents of many amps. Unity gain compensation is necessary.



### OHMS-TO-VOLTS CONVERTER

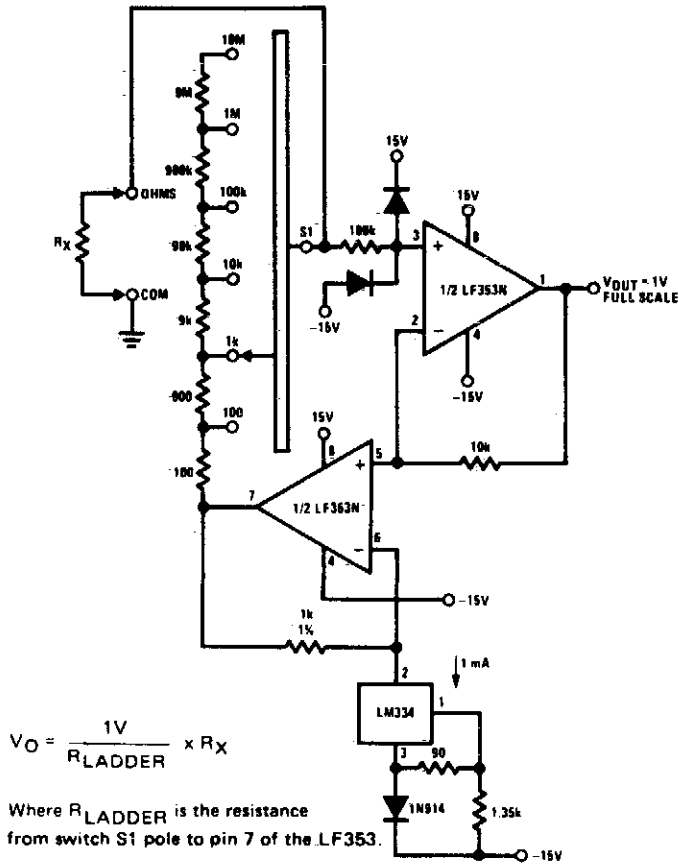


Fig. 17-17

### TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

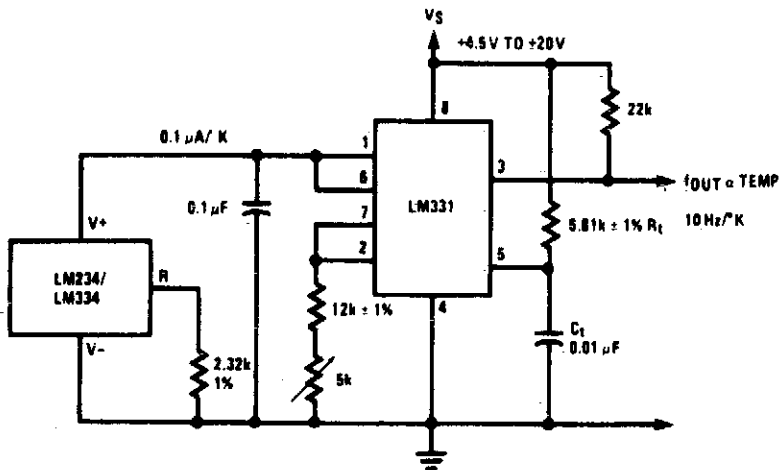
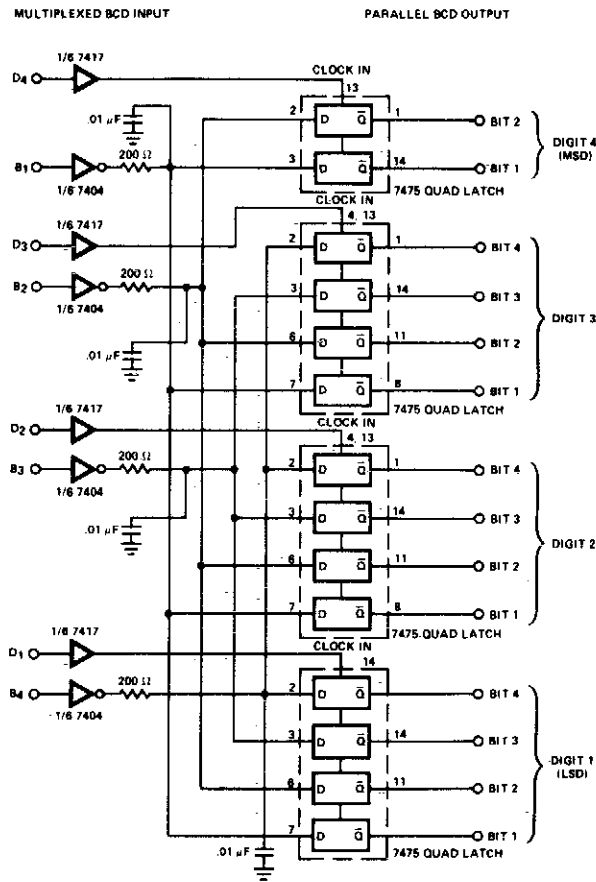


Fig. 17-18

## MULTIPLEXED BCD-TO-PARALLEL BCD CONVERTER

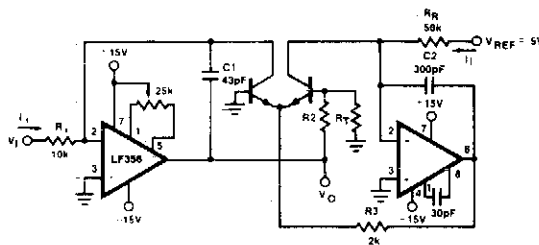


### Circuit Notes

Converter consists of four quad bistable latches activated in the proper sequence by the digit strobe output of the LD110. The complemented outputs (Q) of the quad latch set reflects the state of the bit outputs when the digit strobe goes high. It will maintain this state when the digit strobe goes low.

Fig. 17-19

## FAST LOGARITHMIC CONVERTER



$$V_{out} = \left[ 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right] \frac{kT}{q} \ln V_i \left[ \frac{R_r}{V_{REF} R_1} \right] = \log V_i \frac{1}{R_1 I_H}$$

$R_2 = 15.71, R_1 = 1k, 0.3\%/^{\circ}C$  (for temperature compensation)

- Dynamic range:  $100\mu A \leq I_i \leq 1mA$  (5 decades,  $|V_O| = 1V/\text{decade}$ )
- Transient response:  $3\mu s$  for  $\Delta = 10$  decades
- C1, C2, R2, R3: added dynamic compensation
- Vos: adjust the LF356 to minimize quiescent error
- Rr: Tel Labs type Q81 + 0.3%/°C.

Fig. 17-20

### SINE WAVE-TO-SQUARE WAVE CONVERTER

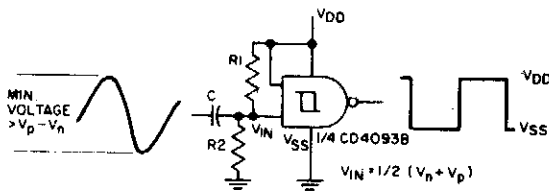


Fig. 17-21

#### Circuit Notes

The sine input is ac coupled by capacitor C; R1 and R2 bias the input midway between  $V_n$  and  $V_p$ , the input threshold voltages, to provide a square wave at the output.

### TTL-TO-MOS LOGIC CONVERTER

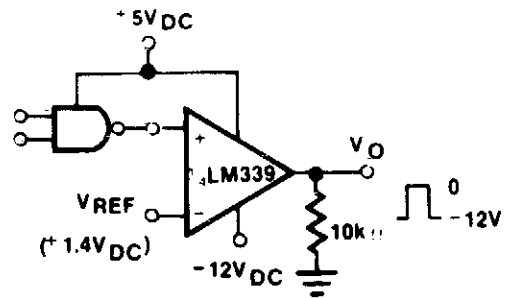


Fig. 17-23

### SELF OSCILLATING FLYBACK CONVERTER

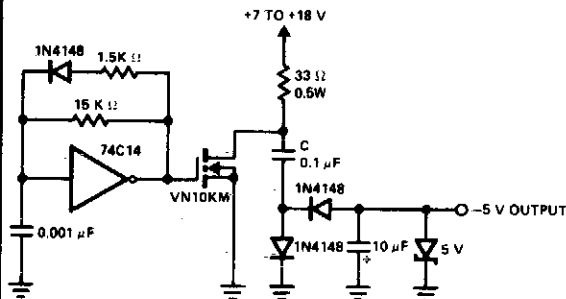


Fig. 17-22

#### Circuit Notes

A low-power converter suitable for deriving a higher voltage from a main system rail in an on-board application. With the transformer shown, the operating frequency is 250 kHz. Z1 serves as a dissipative voltage regulator for the output and also clips the drain voltage to a level below the rated VMOS breakdown voltage.

### PICOAMPERE-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH GAIN

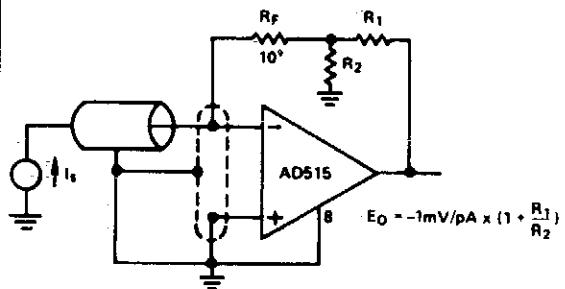


Fig. 17-24

# 18

## Crossover Networks

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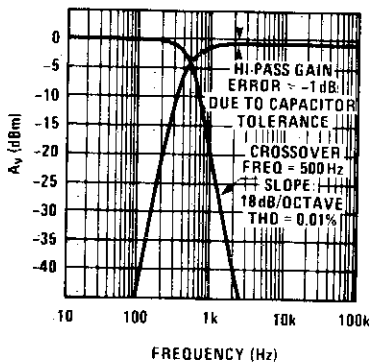
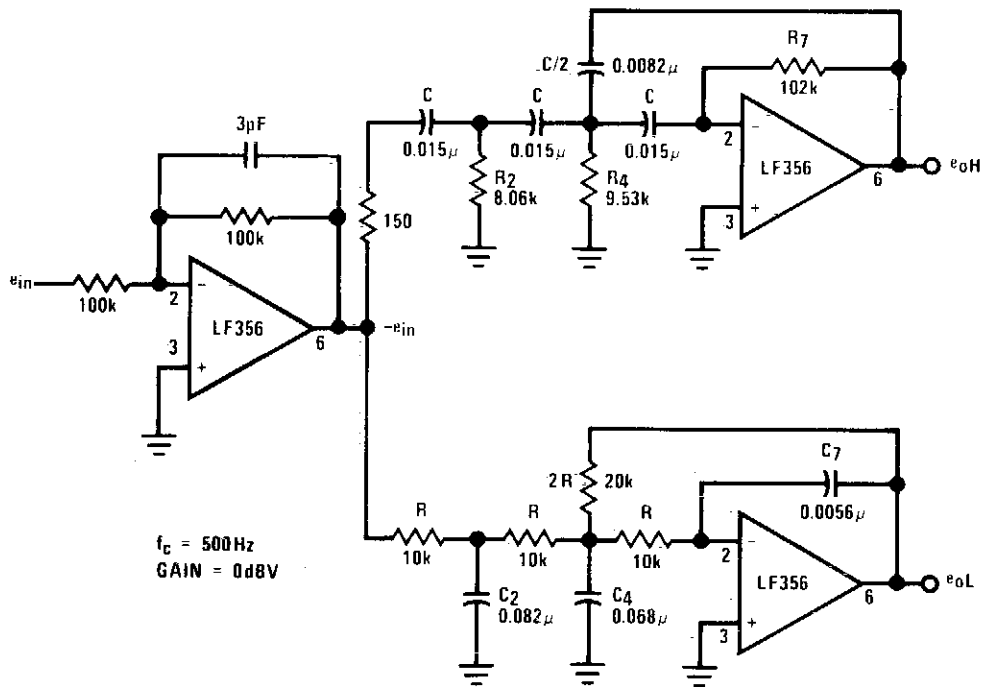
Active Crossover Network

Asymmetrical Third Order Butterworth

Active Crossover Network

Third Order Butterworth Crossover  
Network

# ACTIVE CROSSOVER NETWORK



**Fig. 18-1**



## ASYMMETRICAL THIRD ORDER BUTTERWORTH ACTIVE CROSSOVER NETWORK

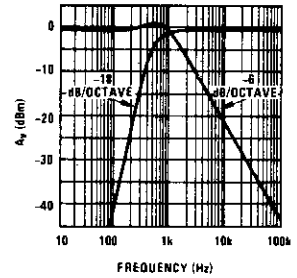
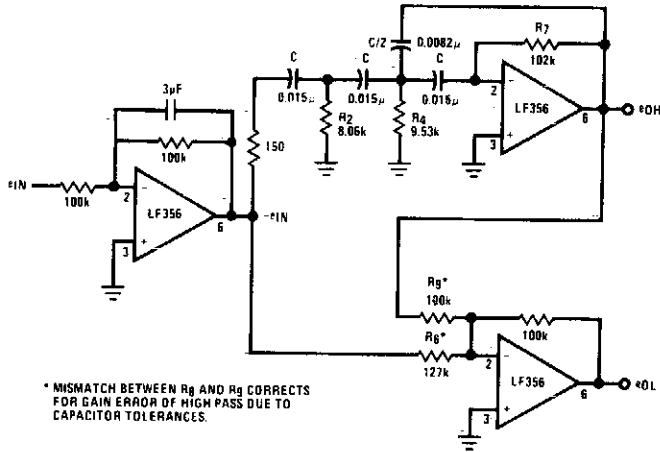


Fig. 18-2

## THIRD ORDER BUTTERWORTH CROSSOVER NETWORK

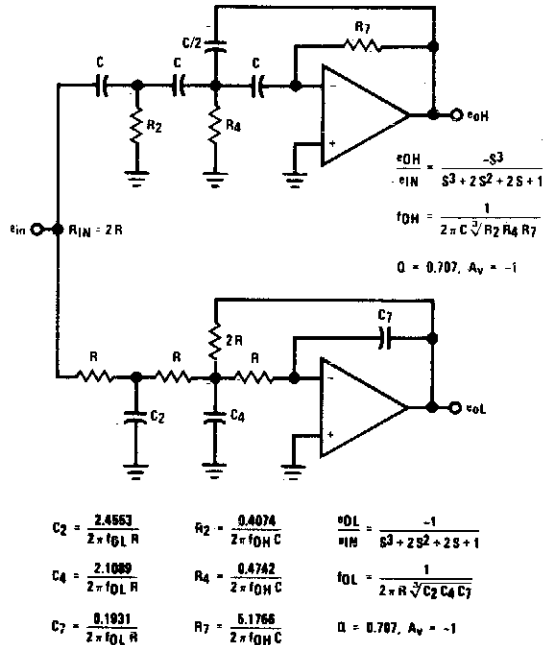


Fig. 18-3

# 19

## Crystal Oscillators

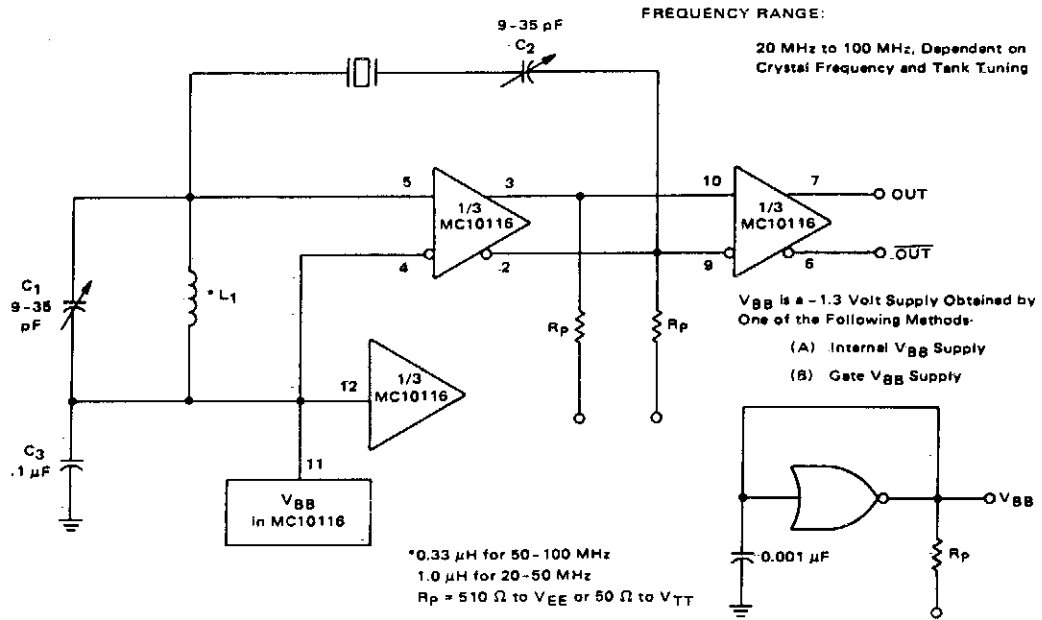
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| High Frequency Crystal Oscillator          | Pierce Harmonic Oscillator                 |
| Overtone Crystal Oscillator                | Colpitts Harmonic Oscillator               |
| Overtone Crystal Oscillator                | International Crystal OF-1 LO Oscillator   |
| TTL Oscillator for 1 MHz-10 MHz            | Butler Emitter Follower Oscillator         |
| Crystal Checker                            | Colpitts Harmonic Oscillator               |
| 96 MHz Crystal Oscillator                  | Butler Emitter Follower Oscillator         |
| Simple TTL Crystal Oscillator              | Butler Common Base Oscillator              |
| Crystal Oscillator                         | Pierce Harmonic Oscillator                 |
| Overtone Crystal Oscillator                | Tube Type Crystal Oscillator               |
| Schmitt Trigger Crystal Oscillator         | Precision Clock Generator                  |
| 50 MHz-150 MHz Overtone Oscillator         | Miller Oscillator                          |
| Fifth Overtone Oscillator                  | Butler Emitter Follower Oscillator         |
| Crystal Controlled Butler Oscillator       | Colpitts Oscillator                        |
| Overtone Oscillator with Crystal Switching | Crystal-Controlled Oscillator              |
| Crystal Oscillator                         | Pierce Oscillator                          |
| Crystal Oscillator/Doubler                 | Butler Aperiodic Oscillator                |
| Low Frequency Crystal Oscillator           | Parallel-mode Aperiodic Crystal Oscillator |
| Crystal Oscillator                         | International Crystal OF-1 HI Oscillator   |
| 100 kHz Crystal Calibrator                 | Standard Crystal Oscillator for 1 MHz      |
| Third Overtone Crystal Oscillator          | TTL-Compatible Crystal Oscillator          |
| Crystal Checker                            | Crystal Controlled Sine Wave Oscillator    |
| CMOS Crystal Oscillator                    | Crystal Oscillator                         |
| Temperature-Compensated Crystal Oscillator | Stable Low Frequency Crystal Oscillator    |
| Crystal Controlled Transistor Oscillator   | JFET Pierce Crystal Oscillator             |
|  | CMOS Oscillator                            |
|  | Pierce Harmonic Oscillator                 |



## OVERTONE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 19-2**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit employs an adjustable resonant tank circuit which insures operation at the desired crystal overtone.  $C_1$  and  $L_1$  form the resonant tank circuit, which with the values specified as a resonant frequency adjustable from approximately 50 MHz to 100 MHz. Overtone operation is accomplished by adjusting the

tank circuit frequency at or near the desired frequency. The tank circuit exhibits a low impedance shunt to off-frequency oscillations and a high impedance to the desired frequency, allowing feedback from the output. Operation in this manner guarantees that the oscillator will always start at the correct overtone.

## OVERTONE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

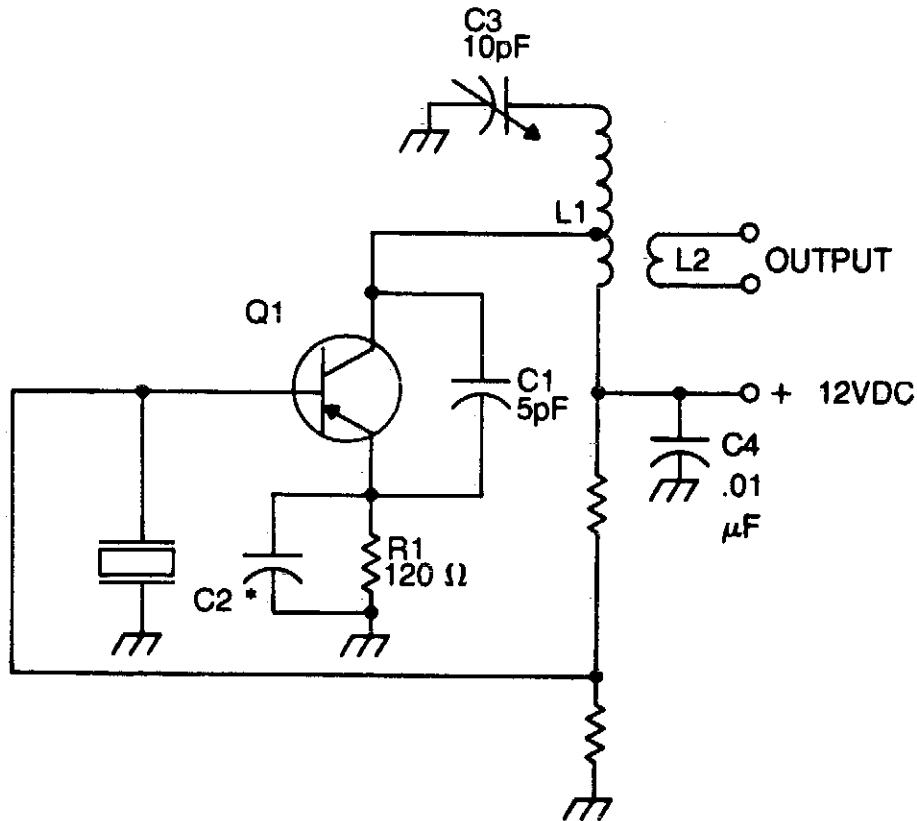


Fig. 19-3

### Circuit Notes

The crystal element in this circuit is connected directly between the base and ground. Capacitor C1 is used to improve the feedback due to the internal capacitances of the transistor. This capacitor should be mounted as close as possible to the case of the transistor. The LC tank circuit in the collector of the transistor is tuned to the overtone frequency of the crystal. The emitter resistor capacitor must have a capacitive reactance of approximately 90 ohms

at the frequency of operation. The tap on inductor L1 is used to match the impedance of the collector of the transistor. In most cases, the optimum placement of this tap is approximately one-third from the cold end of the coil. The placement of this tap is a trade-off between stability and maximum power output. The output signal is taken from a link coupling coil, L2, and operates by transformer action.

### CRYSTAL CHECKER

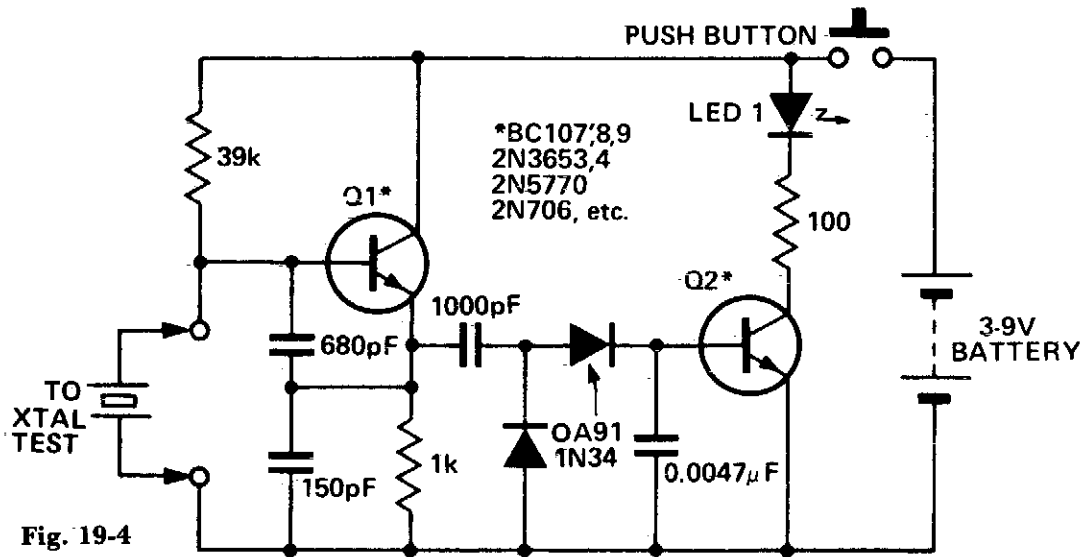


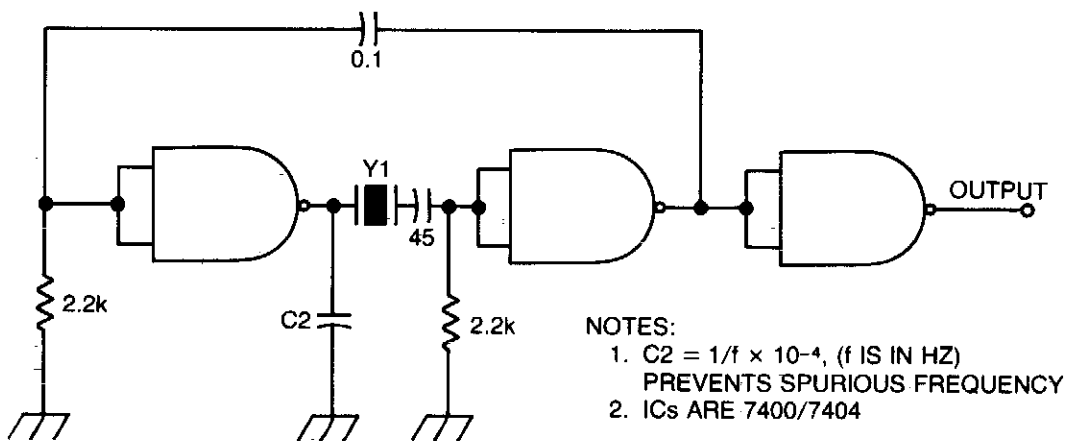
Fig. 19-4

#### Circuit Notes

Use this circuit for checking fundamental HF crystals on a 'Go-No-Go' basis. An untuned Colpitts oscillator drives a voltage multiplier rectifier and a current amplifier. If the crystal

oscillates, Q2 conducts and the LED lights. A3 or 6V, 40mA bulb could be substituted for the LED.

### TTL OSCILLATOR FOR 1 MHz-10 MHz

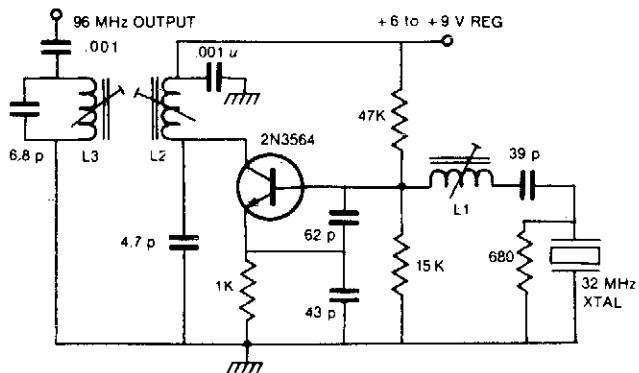


#### NOTES:

1.  $C2 = 1/f \times 10^{-4}$ , (f IS IN HZ)  
PREVENTS SPURIOUS FREQUENCY
2. ICs ARE 7400/7404

Fig. 19-5

### 96 MHz CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



L1, 4 mm former, F29 slug (Neosid AZ assembly)  
 30 turns .4 mm enamel wire  
 L2, L3 7300 CAN TWO 722/1 FORMERS F29 SLUGS  
 (Neosid double assembly) 12 turns .63 mm enamel  
 wire.

Fig. 19-6

#### Circuit Notes

By using a crystal between 27.5 and 33 MHz, the 3rd harmonic will deliver between 82.5 and 99 MHz.

### SIMPLE TTL CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

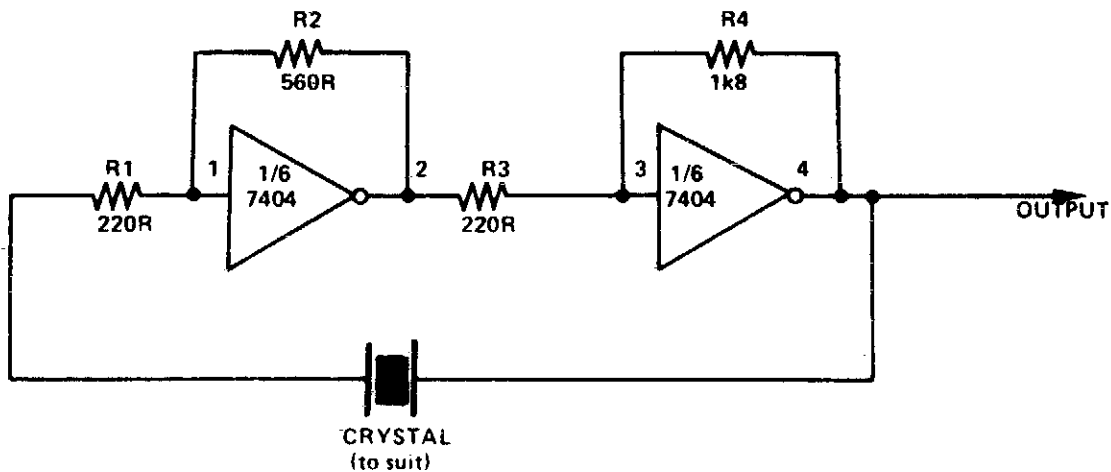


Fig. 19-7

#### Circuit Notes

This simple and cheap crystal oscillator comprises one third of a 7404, four resistors and a crystal. The inverters are biased into

their linear regions by R1 to R4, and the crystal provides the feedback. Oscillation can only occur at the crystal's fundamental frequency.

### CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

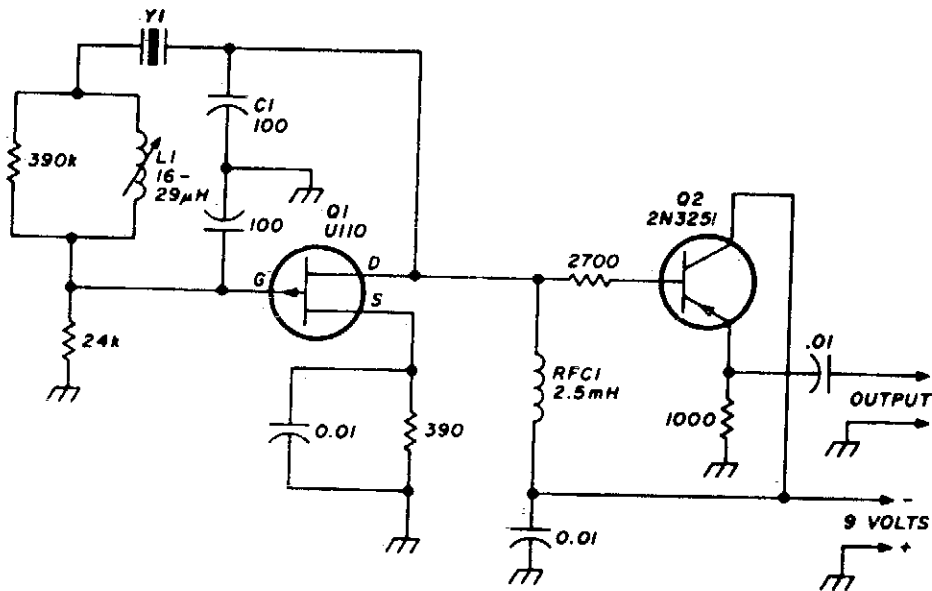


Fig. 19-8

#### Circuit Notes

Stable VXO using 6- or 8-MHz crystals uses a capacitor and an inductor to achieve frequency pulling on either side of series resonance.

### OVERTONE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

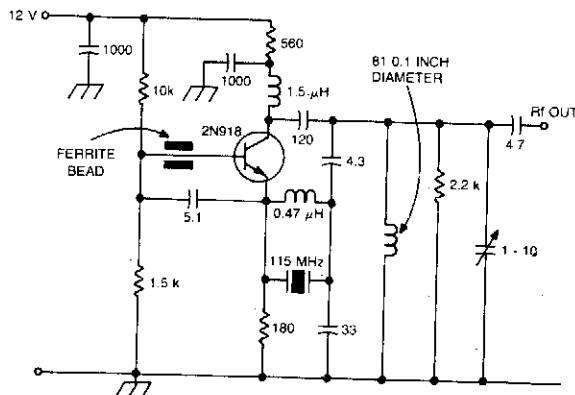


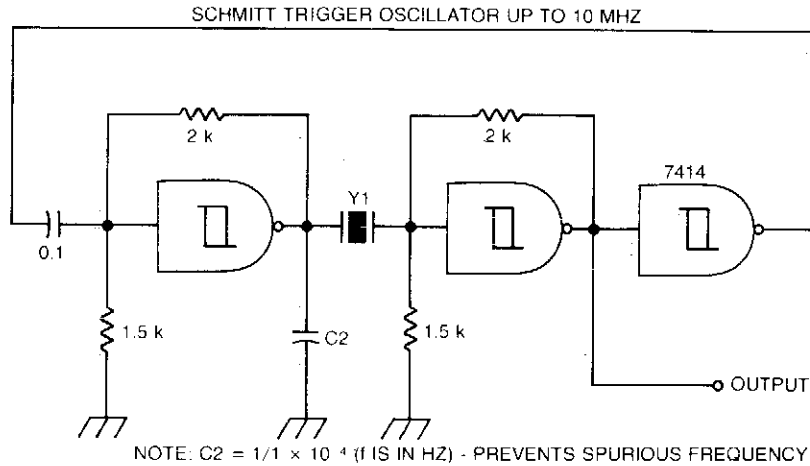
Fig. 19-9

#### Circuit Notes

This design is for high reliability over a wide temperature range using fifth and seventh overtone crystals. The inductor in parallel with the crystal causes antiresonance of crystal  $C_0$  to minimize loading. This technique is commonly used with overtone crystals.



## SCHMITT TRIGGER CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

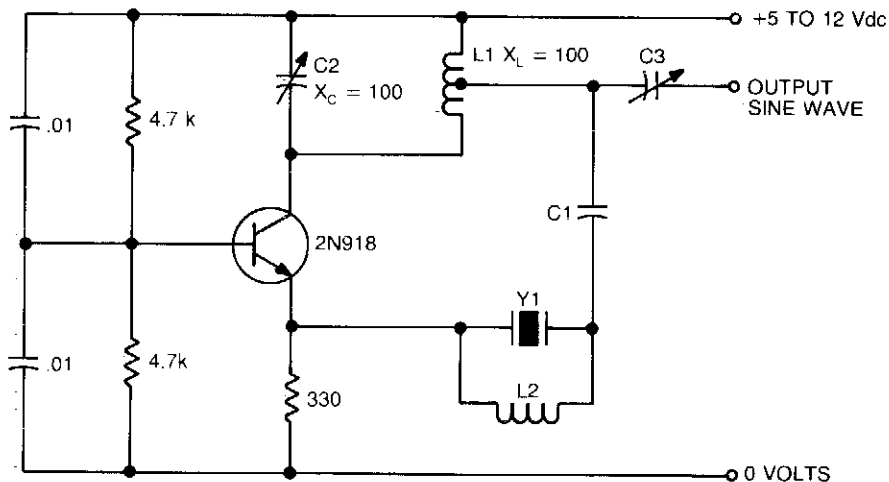


**Fig. 19-10**

### Circuit Notes

A Schmitt trigger provides good squaring of the output, sometimes eliminating the need for an extra output stage.

## 50 MHz-150 MHz OVERTONE OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 19-11**

### NOTES:

1. Y1 IS AT CUT OVERTONE CRYSTAL.
2. TUNE L1 AND C2 TO OPERATING FREQUENCY.
3. L2 AND SHUNT CAPACITANCE, CO. OF CRYSTAL (APPROXIMATELY 6pF) SHOULD RESONATE TO OSCILLATOR OUTPUT FREQUENCY (L2 = .5 μH AT 90 MHZ). THIS IS NECESSARY TO TUNE OUT EFFECT OF CO.
4. C3 IS VARIED TO MATCH OUTPUT.

### FIFTH-OVERTONE OSCILLATOR

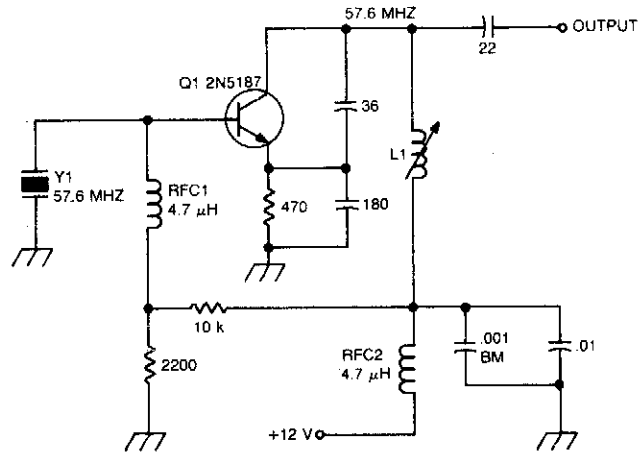


Fig. 19-12

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit isolates the crystal from the dc base supply with an rf choke for better starting characteristics.

### CRYSTAL CONTROLLED BUTLER OSCILLATOR

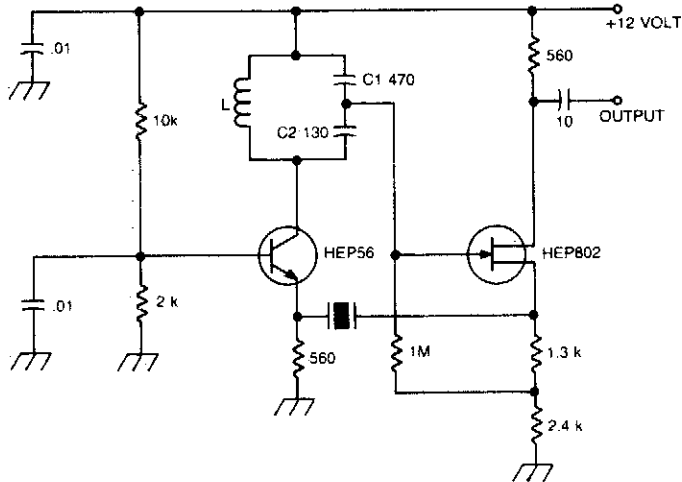
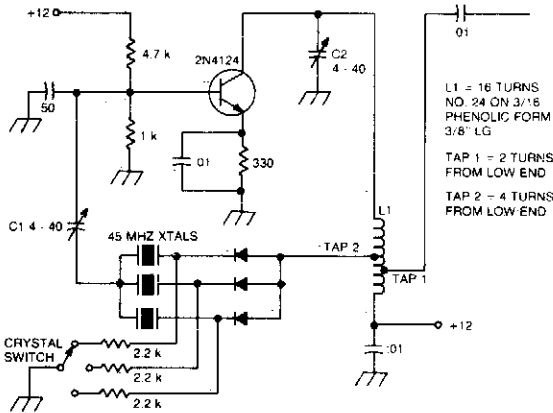


Fig. 19-13

#### Circuit Notes

A typical Butler oscillator (20-100 MHz) uses an FET in the second stage; the circuit is not reliable with two bipolars. Sometimes two FETs are used. Frequency is determined by LC values.

## OVERTONE OSCILLATOR WITH CRYSTAL SWITCHING

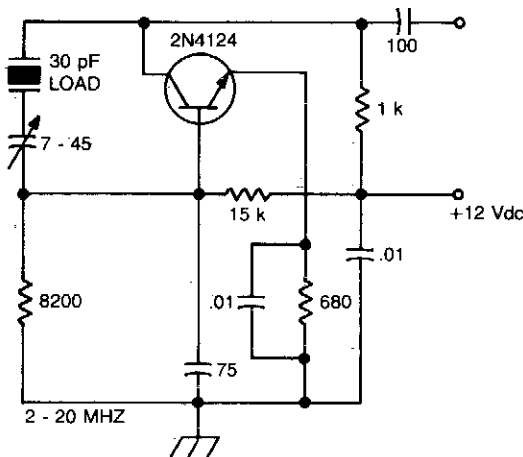


### Circuit Notes

The large inductive phase shift of L1 is compensated for by C1. Overtone crystals have very narrow bandwidth; therefore, the trimmer has a smaller effect than for fundamental-mode operation.

Fig. 19-14

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

The crystal is in a feedback circuit from collector to base. A trimmer capacitor in series shifts the point on the reactance curve where the crystal operates, thus providing a frequency trim. The capacitor has a negative reactance so the crystal is shifted to operate in the positive reactance region.

Fig. 19-15

### CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR/DOUBLER

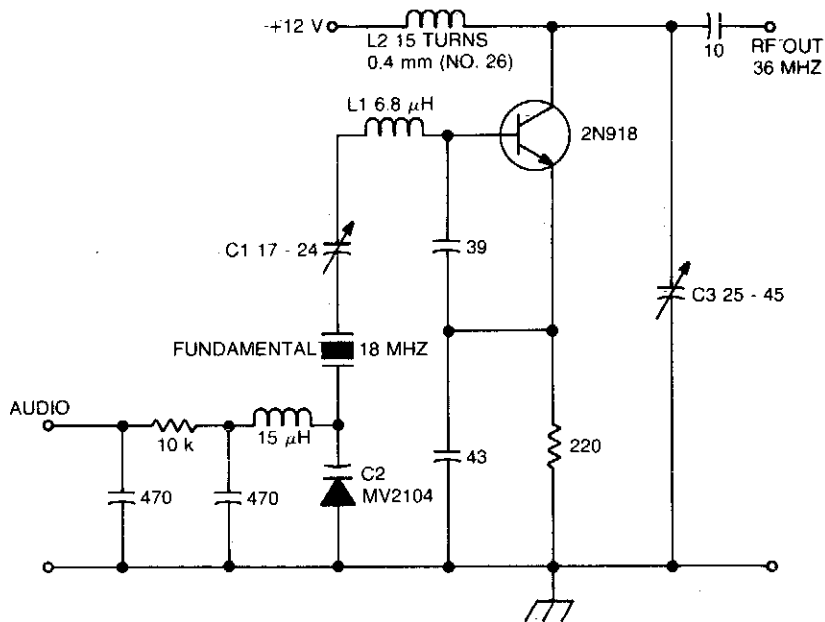


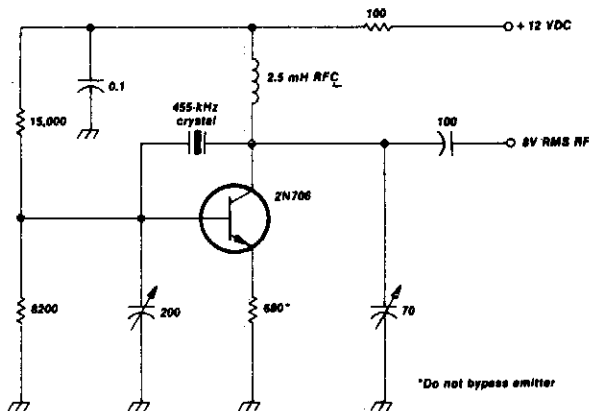
Fig. 19-16

#### Circuit Notes

The crystal operates into a complex load at series resonance. L1, C1, and C2 balance the crystal at zero reactance. Capacitor C1 fine-tunes the center frequency. Tank circuit L2, C3 doubles the output frequency the circuit operates as an FM oscillator-doubler.

### LOW-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu F$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms.  $k = 1,000$   $M = 1,000,000$



#### Circuit Notes

This crystal-oscillator circuit uses a 455-kHz crystal.

Fig. 19-17

### CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

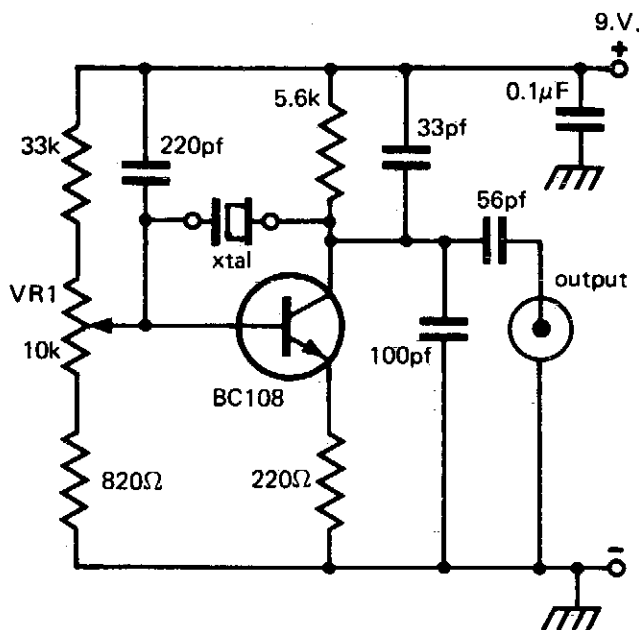
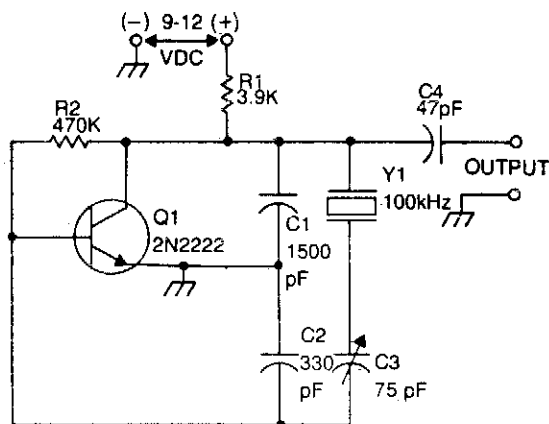


Fig. 19-18

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides reliable oscillation and an output close to one volt peak-to-peak. Power consumption is around 1 mA from a nine volt supply.

### 100 kHz CRYSTAL CALIBRATOR



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is often used by amateur radio operations, shortwave listeners, and other operators of shortwave receivers to calibrate the dial pointer. The oscillator operates at a fundamental frequency of 100 kHz, and the harmonics are used to locate points on the shortwave dial, provided that the output of the calibrator is coupled to the antenna circuit of the receiver. The crystal shunts the feedback voltage divider, and is in series with a variable capacitor (C3) that is used to set the actual operating frequency of the calibrator.

Fig. 19-19

### THIRD-OVERTONE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

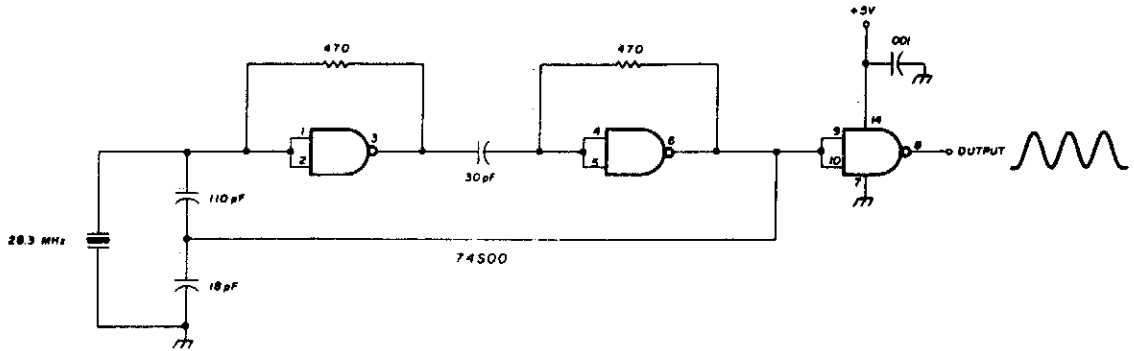
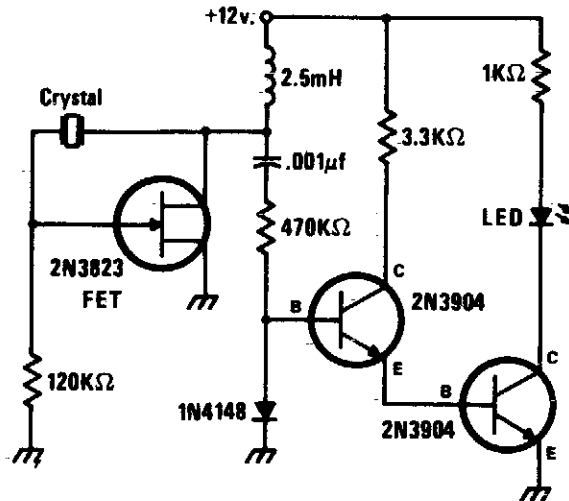


Fig. 19-20

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a 74S00 Schottky TTL gate; no inductors are required.

### CRYSTAL CHECKER



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is a simple Pierce oscillator with an LED go/no go display. Checker works best with crystals having fundamental frequencies in the seven to eight megahertz range.

Fig. 19-21



### CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED, TRANSISTOR OSCILLATOR

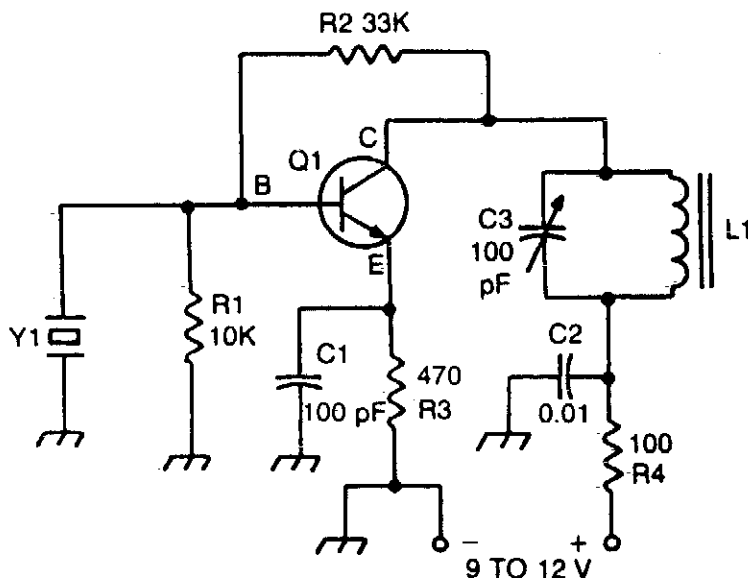


Fig. 19-24

### PIERCE HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (20 MHz)

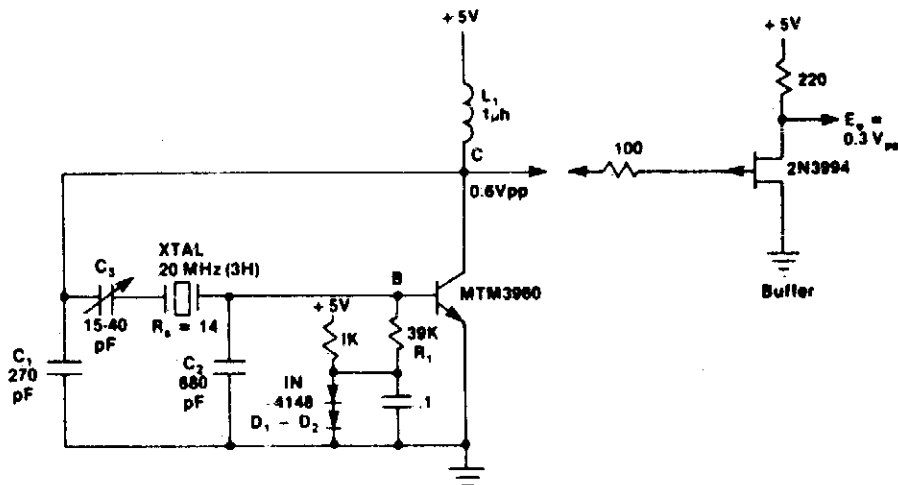


Fig. 19-25

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has excellent short term frequency stability because the external load tied across the crystal is mostly capacitive rather than resistive, giving the crystal a high in-circuit Q.



### COLPITTS HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (100 MHz)

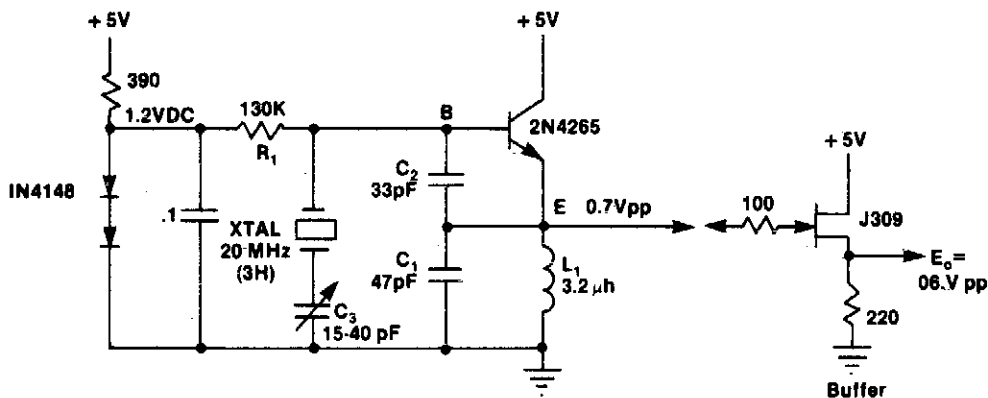


Fig. 19-26

#### Circuit Notes

L1C1 are selected to be resonant at a frequency below the desired crystal harmonic but above the crystal's next lower odd harmonic. C2 should have a value of 30-70 pF, independent of the oscillation frequency. There is no requirement for any specific ratio

of C1/C2, but practical harmonic circuits seem to work best when C1 is approximately 1-3 times the value of C2. Diodes D1-D3 provide a simple regulated bias supply. The resistance of R1 should be as high as possible, as it affects the crystal's in-circuit Q.

### INTERNATIONAL CRYSTAL OF-1 LO OSCILLATOR

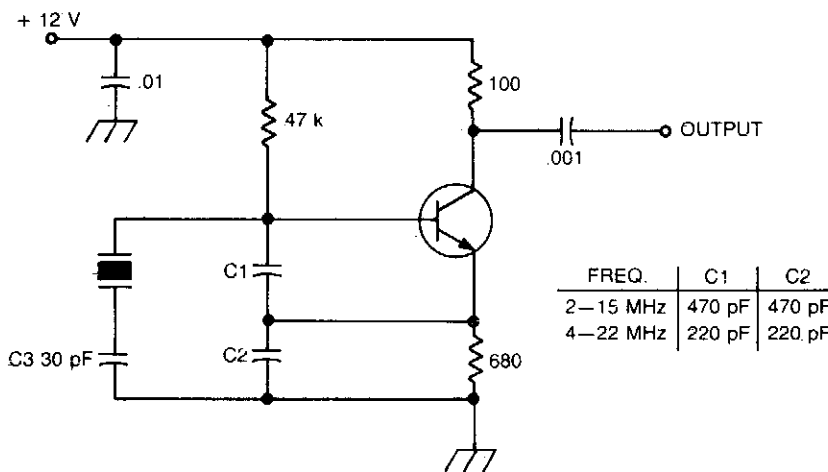


Fig. 19-27

#### Circuit Notes

International Crystal OF-1 LO oscillator circuit for fundamental-mode crystals.

### BUTLER Emitter FOLLOWER OSCILLATOR (100 MHz)

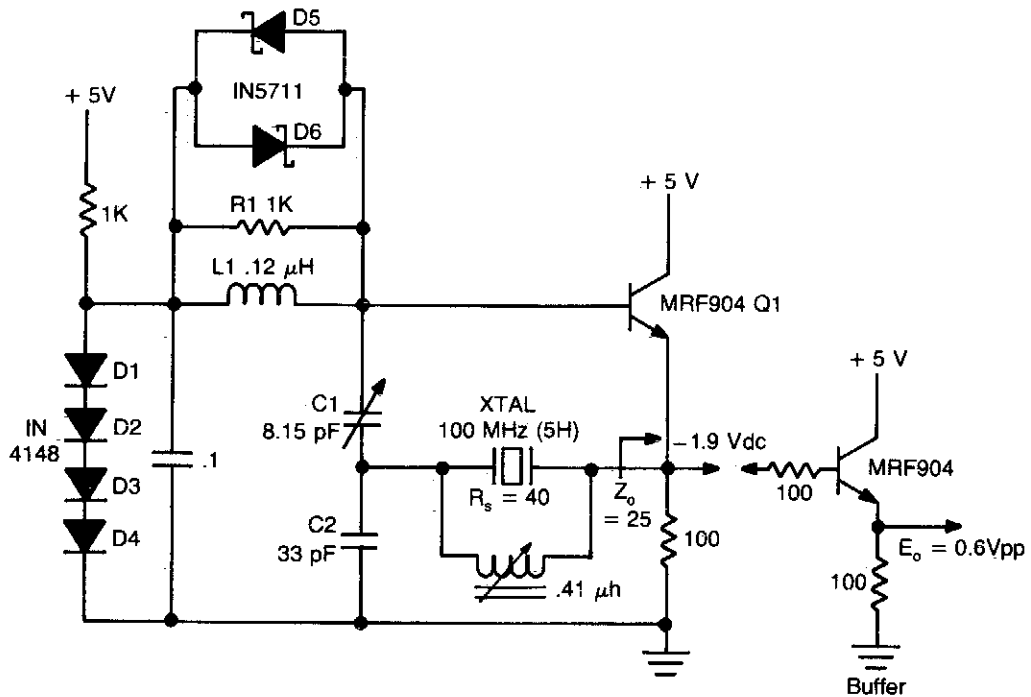
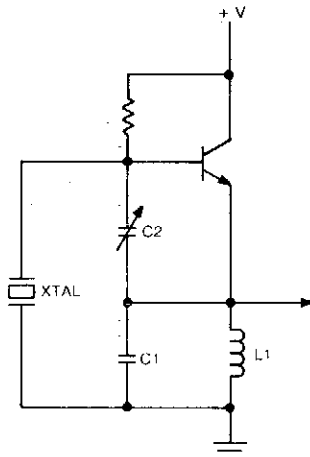


Fig. 19-28

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has good performance without any parasitics because emitter follower amplifier has a gain of only one with built-in negative feedback to stabilize its gain.

### COLPITTS HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (BASIC CIRCUIT)

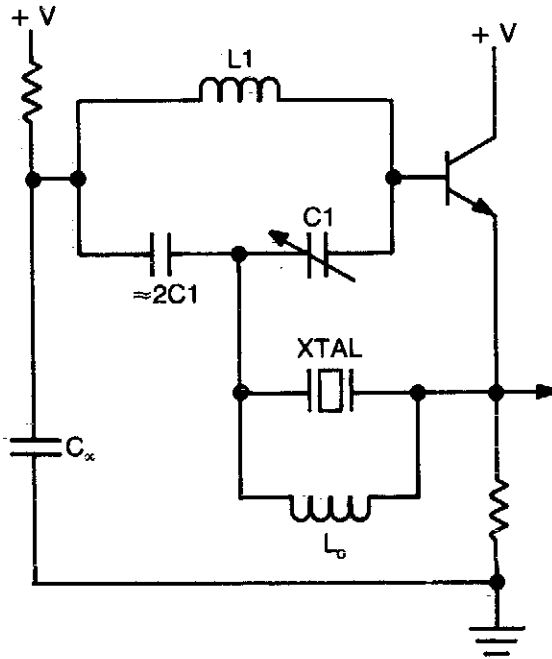


#### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates 30-200 ppm above series resonance. Physically simple, but analytically complex. It is inexpensive with fair frequency stability.

Fig. 19-29

### BUTLER Emitter Follower Oscillator (Basic Circuit)

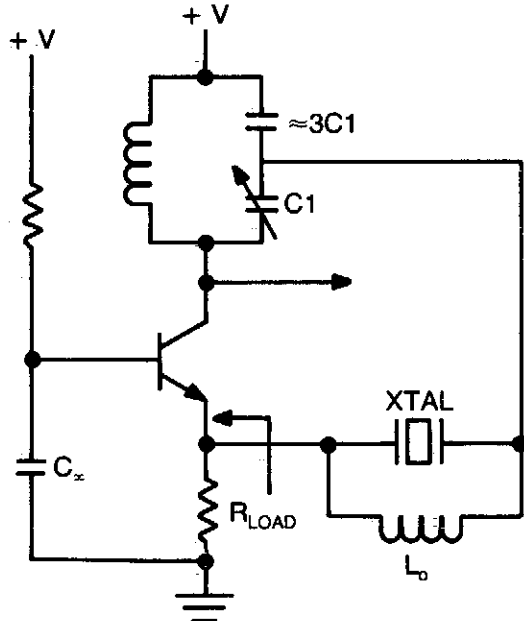


#### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates at or near series resonance. It is a good circuit design with no parasitics. It is easy to tune with good frequency stability.

Fig. 19-30

### BUTLER Common Base Oscillator (Basic Circuit)

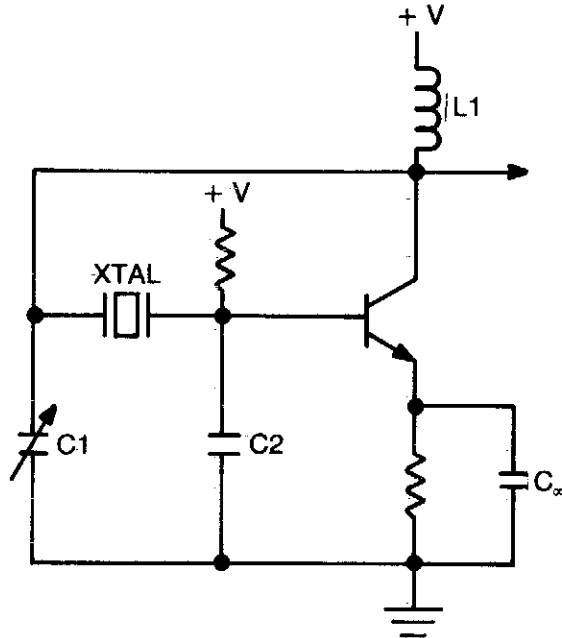


#### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates at or near series resonance. It has fair to poor circuit design with parasitics, touch to tune, and fair frequency stability.

Fig. 19-31

**PIERCE HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (BASIC CIRCUIT)**

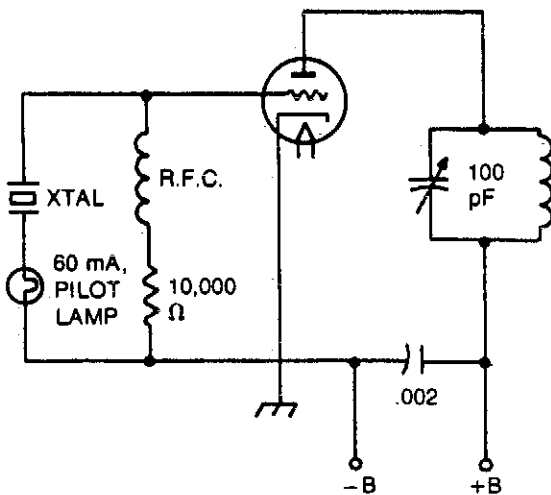


**Circuit Notes**

This circuit operates 10-40 ppm above series resonance. It is a good circuit design with good to very good frequency stability.

**Fig. 19-32**

**TUBE-TYPE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR**

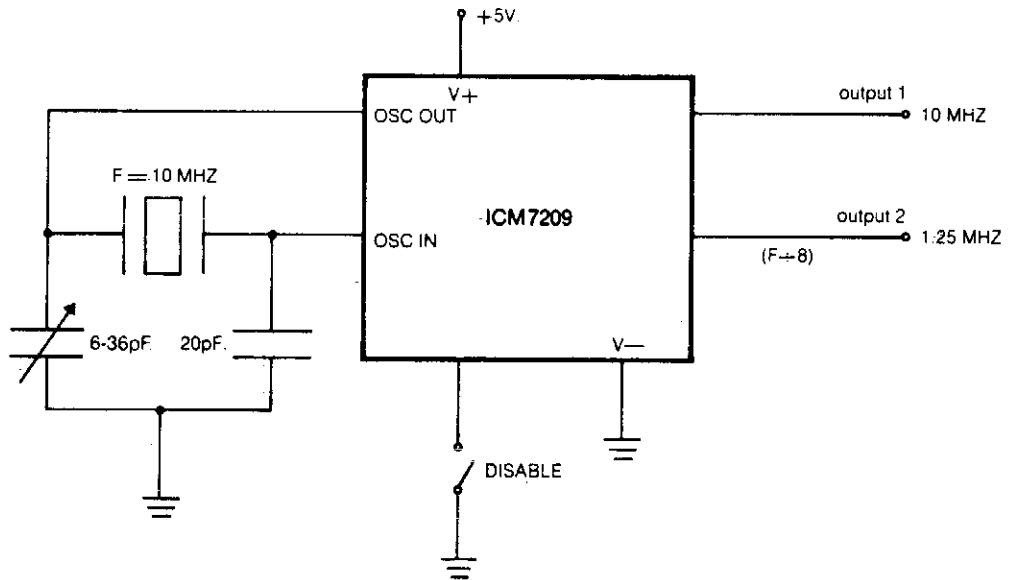


**Circuit Notes**

The pilot lamp limits current to prevent damage to the crystal.

**Fig. 19-33**

### PRECISION CLOCK GENERATOR

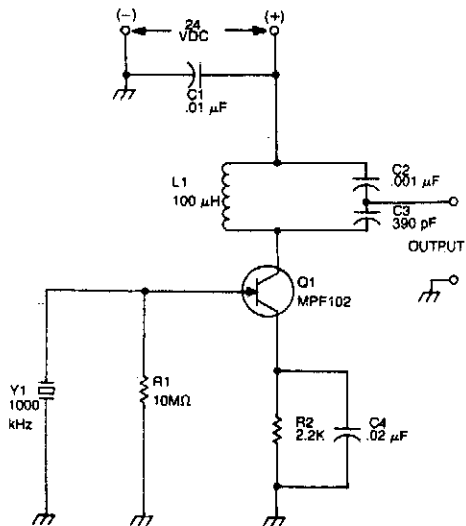


**Fig. 19-34**

#### Circuit Notes

The CMOS IC directly drives 5 TTL loads from either of 2 buffered outputs. The device operates to 10 MHz and is bipolar, MOS, and CMOS compatible.

### MILLER OSCILLATOR (CRYSTAL CONTROLLED)



#### Circuit Notes

The drain of the JFET Miller oscillator is tuned to the resonant frequency of the crystal by an LC tank circuit.

**Fig. 19-35**

### BUTLER Emitter FOLLOWER OSCILLATOR (20 MHz)

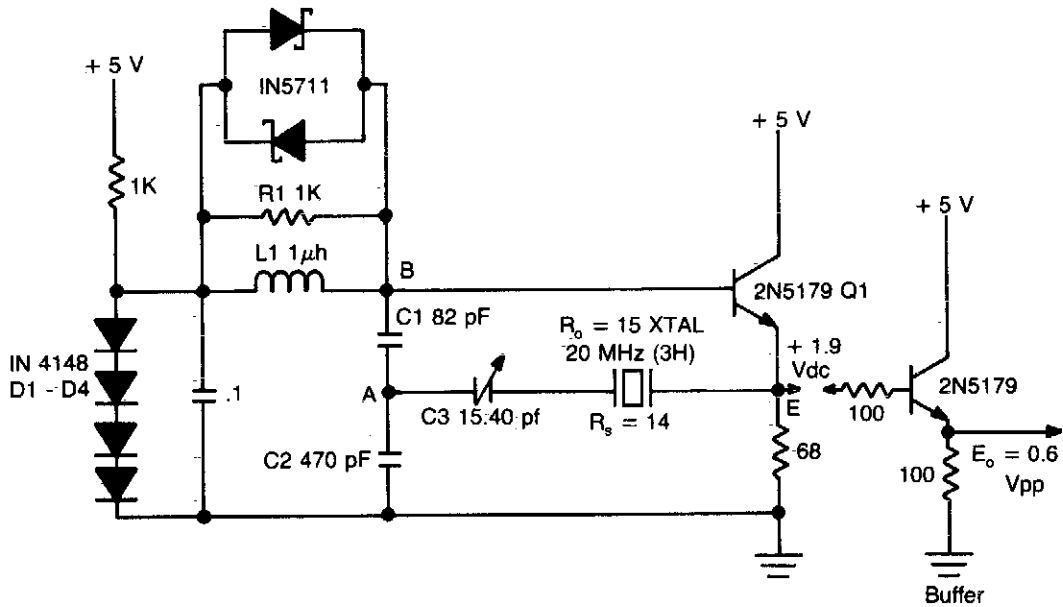
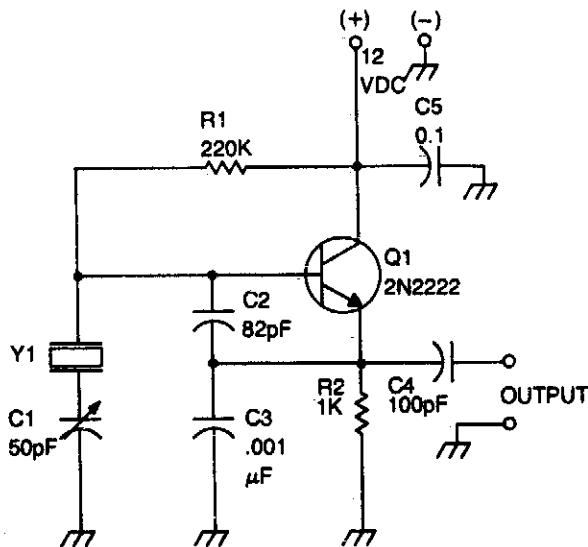


Fig. 19-36

### COLPITTS OSCILLATOR

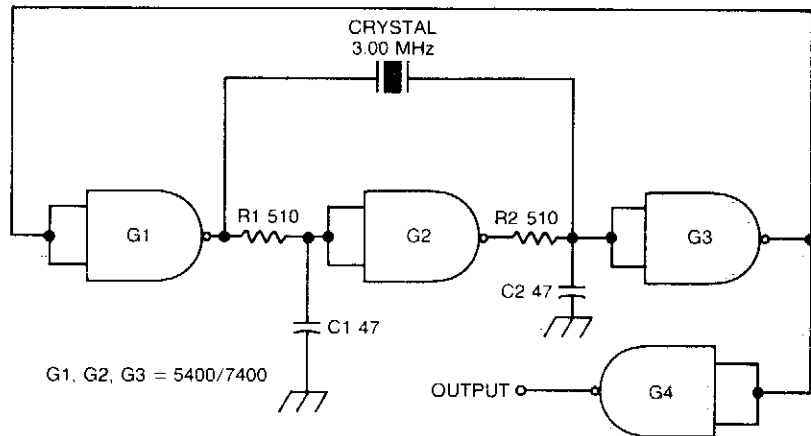


#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will operate with fundamental-mode crystals in the range of 1 MHz to 20 MHz. Feedback is controlled by capacitor voltage divider C2/C3. The rf voltage across the emitter resistor provides the basic feedback signal.

Fig. 19-37

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

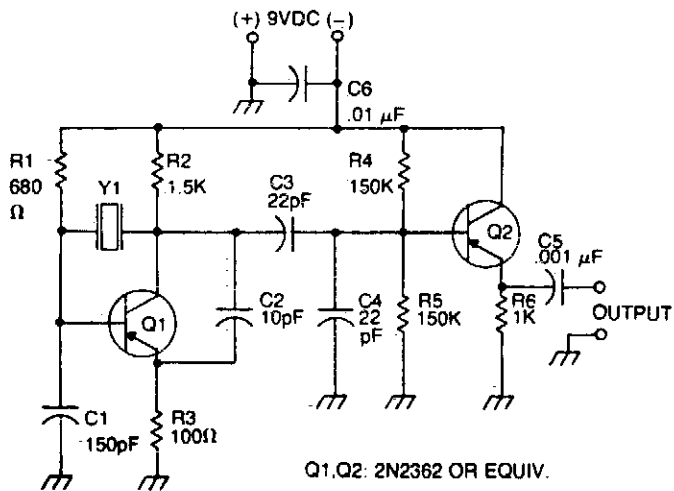


**Fig. 19-38**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit oscillates without the crystal. With the crystal in the circuit, the frequency will be that of the crystal. The circuit has good starting characteristics even with the poorest crystals.

## PIERCE OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 19-39**

### Circuit Notes

The oscillator transistor is Q1, and the crystal is placed between the collector and base. Feedback is improved by the use of the collector-emitter capacitor C2. Transistor Q2 is used as an output buffer.

### BUTLER APERIODIC OSCILLATOR

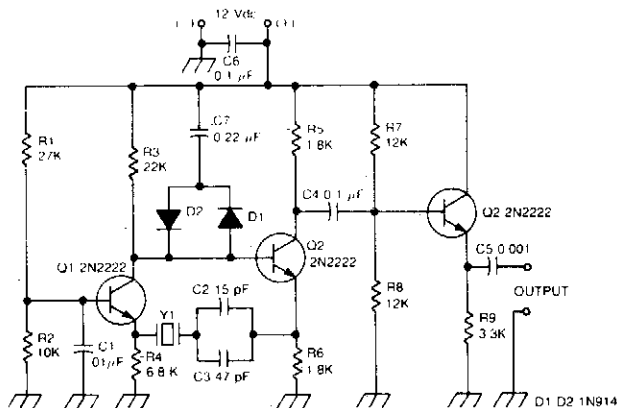


Fig. 19-40

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit works well in the range of 50 kHz to 500 kHz. Slight component modifications are needed for higher frequency operation. For operation over 3000 kHz, select a

transistor that provides moderate gain (in the 60 to 150 range) at the frequency of operation and a gain-bandwidth product of at least 100 MHz.

### PARALLEL-MODE APERIODIC CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

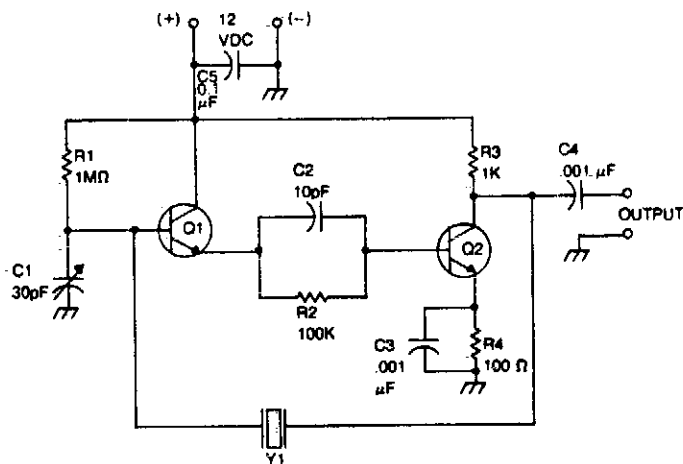


Fig. 19-41

#### Circuit Notes

The crystal is placed between the collector of the output stage and the base of the input stage. The frequency of oscillation can be set to a precise value with trimmer capacitor C1. The

range of operation for this circuit is 500 kHz to 10 MHz. Extend the range downward (100 kHz) by increasing the value of C1 to 75 pF and increasing the value of C2 to 22pF.



### INTERNATIONAL CRYSTAL OF-1 HI OSCILLATOR

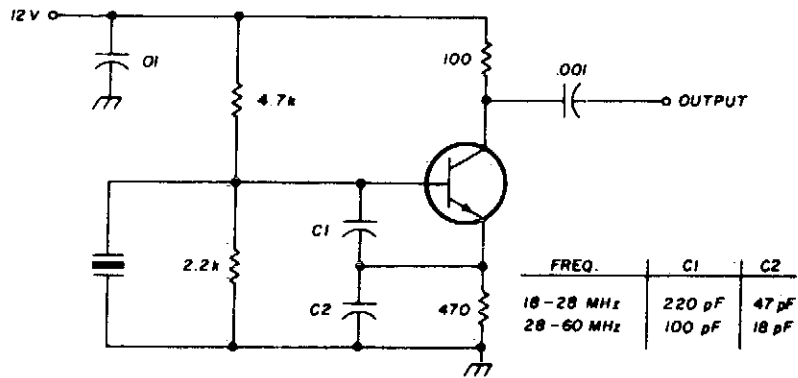


Fig. 19-42

#### Circuit Notes

International Crystal OF-1 HI oscillator circuit for third-overtone crystals. The circuit does not require inductors.

### STANDARD CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR FOR 1 MHz

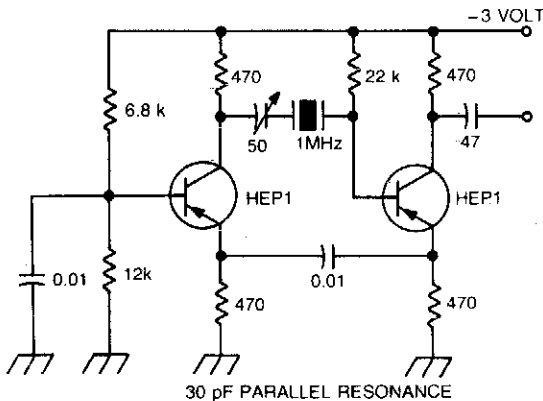


Fig. 19-43

### TTL-COMPATIBLE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

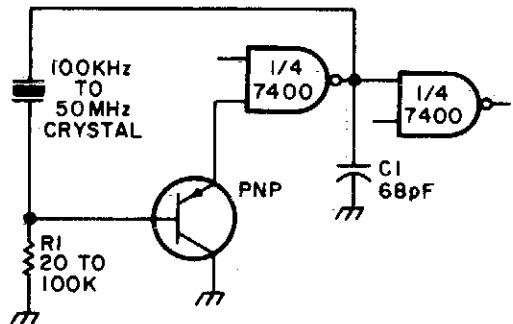


Fig. 19-44

#### Circuit Notes

Adjust R1 for about 2 volts at the output of the first gate. Adjust C1 for best output.

### CRYSTAL CONTROLLED SINE WAVE OSCILLATOR

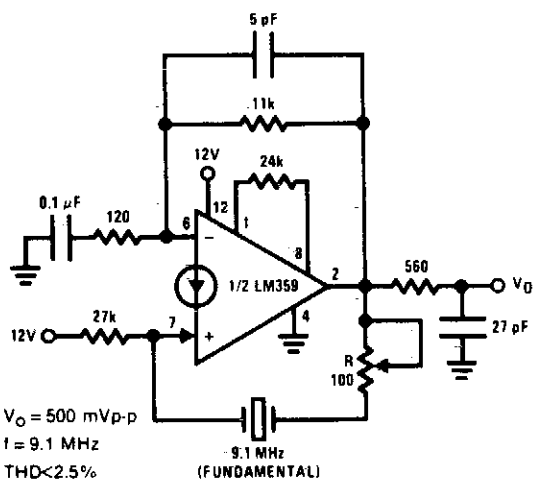


Fig. 19-45

### STABLE LOW FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

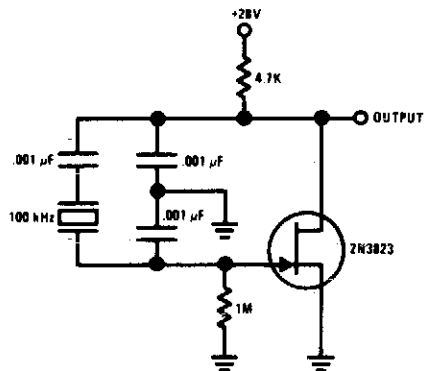


Fig. 19-47

#### Circuit Notes

This Colpitts-crystal oscillator is ideal for low frequency crystal oscillator circuits. Excellent stability is assured because the 2N3823 JFET circuit loading does not vary with temperature.

### CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

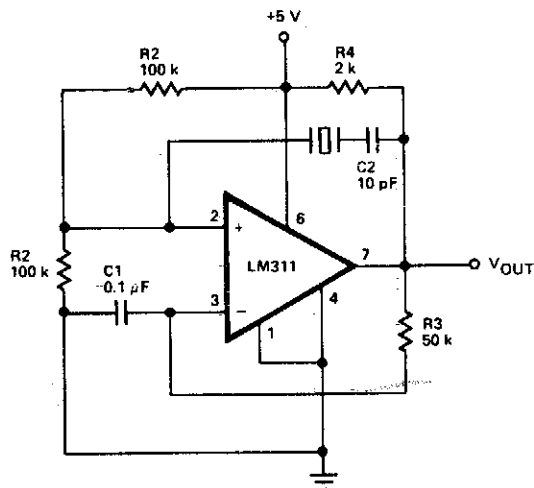


Fig. 19-46

### JFET PIERCE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

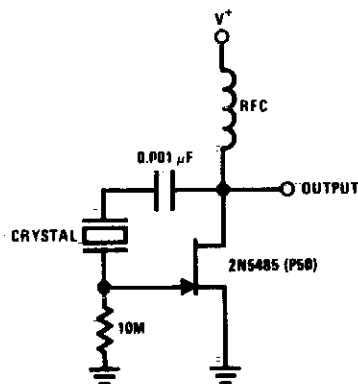


Fig. 19-48

#### Circuit Notes

The JFET Pierce crystal oscillator allows a wide frequency range of crystals to be used without circuit modification. Since the JFET gate does not load the crystal, good Q is maintained, thus insuring good frequency stability.

### CMOS OSCILLATOR-1 MHz-4 MHz

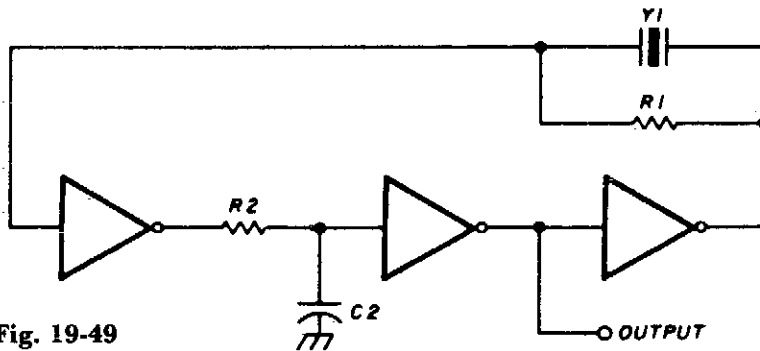


Fig. 19-49

#### NOTES:

1.  $1M < R1 < 5M$
2. SELECT  $R2$  AND  $C2$  TO PREVENT SPURIOUS FREQUENCIES
3. ICs ARE 74C04 OR EQUIVALENT

### PIERCE HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (100 MHz)

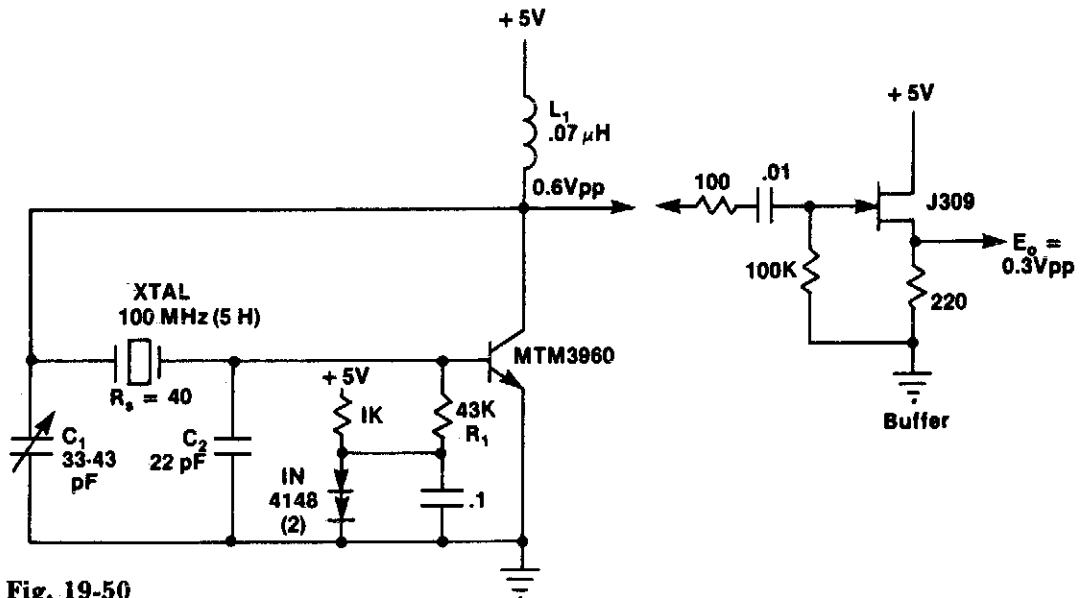


Fig. 19-50

#### Circuit Notes

The output resistance of the transistor's collector, together with the effective value of  $C1$ , provides an RC phase lag of 30-50°. The crystal normally oscillates slightly above series resonance, where it is both resistive and inductive. Above series resonance, the crystal's internal impedance (resistive and inductive) together with  $C2$  provides an RLC phase

lag of 130-150°. The transistor inverts the signal, providing a total of 360° of phase shift around the loop. Inductor  $L1$  is selected to resonate with  $C1$  at a frequency between the crystal's desired harmonic and its next lower odd harmonic. Inductor  $L1$  offsets part of the negative reactance of  $C1$  at the oscillation frequency.

# 20

## Current Measuring Circuits

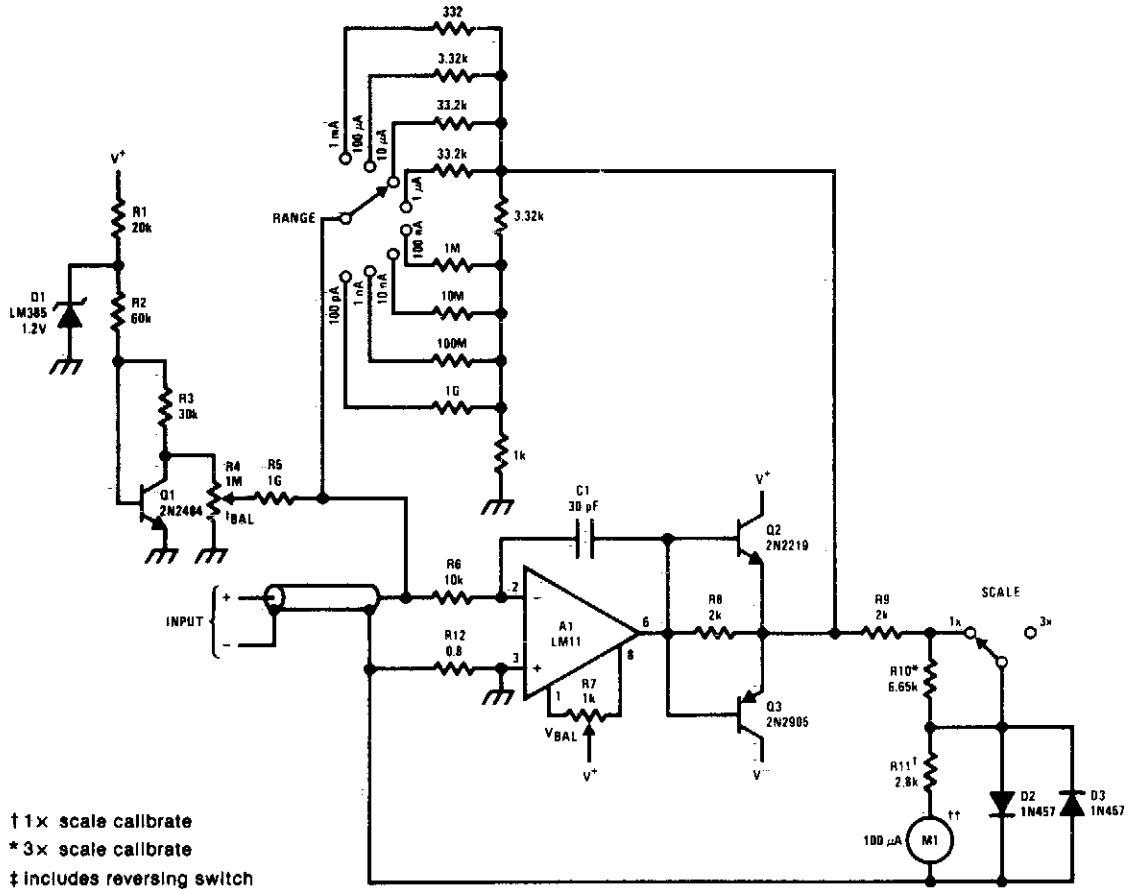
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Ammeter  
Pico Ammeter  
Nano Ammeter

Nanoampere Sensing Circuit with 100  
Megohm Input Impedance  
Current Monitor

## AMMETER



† 1x scale calibrate  
 \* 3x scale calibrate  
 ‡ includes reversing switch

**Fig. 20-1**

### Circuit Notes

Current meter ranges from 100 pA to 3 mA full scale. Voltage across input is 100  $\mu$ V at lower ranges rising to 3 mV at 3 mA. The buffers on the op amp are to remove ambiguity with high-current overload. The output can also drive a DVM or a DPM.

## PICO AMMETER

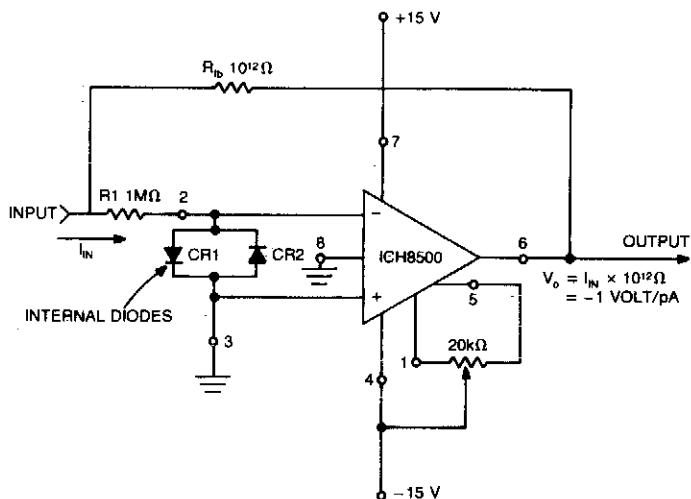


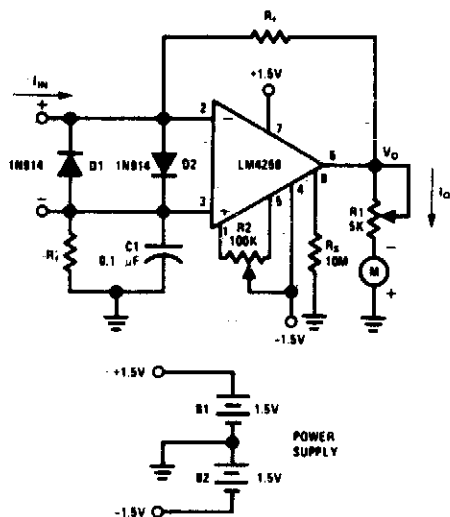
Fig. 20-2

### Circuit Notes

A very sensitive pico ammeter ( $-1 \text{ V/pA}$ ) employs the amplifier in the inverting or current summing mode. Care must be taken to eliminate stray currents from flowing into the current summing mode. It takes approximately 5 for the circuit to stabilize to within 1% of its

final output voltage after a step function of input current has been applied. The internal diodes CR1 and CR2 together with external resistor R1 to protect the input stage of the amplifier from voltage transients.

## NANO AMMETER



Resistance Values for  
DC Nano and Micro Ammeter

| I FULL SCALE      | $R_f [\Omega]$ | $R_i [\Omega]$ |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 100 nA            | 1.5M           | 1.5M           |
| 500 nA            | 300k           | 300k           |
| 1 $\mu\text{A}$   | 300k           | 0              |
| 5 $\mu\text{A}$   | 60k            | 0              |
| 10 $\mu\text{A}$  | 30k            | 0              |
| 50 $\mu\text{A}$  | 6k             | 0              |
| 100 $\mu\text{A}$ | 3k             | 0              |

The complete meter amplifier is a differential current-to-voltage converter with input protection, zeroing and full scale adjust provisions, and input resistor balancing for minimum offset voltage.

Fig. 20-3

### NANOAMPERE SENSING CIRCUIT WITH 100 MEGOHM INPUT IMPEDANCE

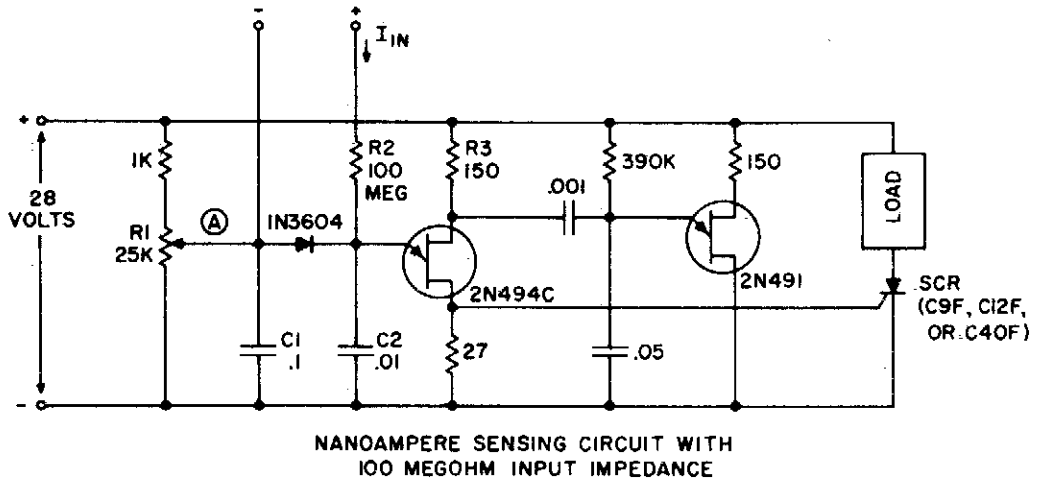


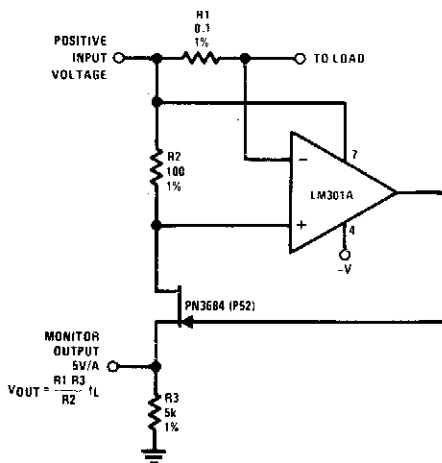
Fig. 20-4

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit may be used as a sensitive current detector or as a voltage detector having high input impedance. R1 is set so that the voltage at point (A) is  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  volts below the level that fires the 2N494C. A small input current ( $I_{in}$ ) of only 40 nanoamperes will charge C2 and raise the voltage at the emitter to the

firing level. When the 2N494C fires, both capacitors, C1 and C2, are discharged through the 27 ohm resistor, which generates a positive pulse with sufficient amplitude to trigger a controlled rectifier (SCR), or other pulse sensitive circuitry.

### CURRENT MONITOR



#### Circuit Notes

R1 senses current flow of a power supply. The JFET is used as a buffer because  $I_D = I_S$ ; therefore the output monitor voltage accurately reflects the power supply current flow.

Fig. 20-5

# 21

## Current Sources and Sinks

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Current source  
Precision Current Source

Precision 1  $\mu$ A to 1 mA Current Sources  
Precision Current Sink



## CURRENT SOURCE

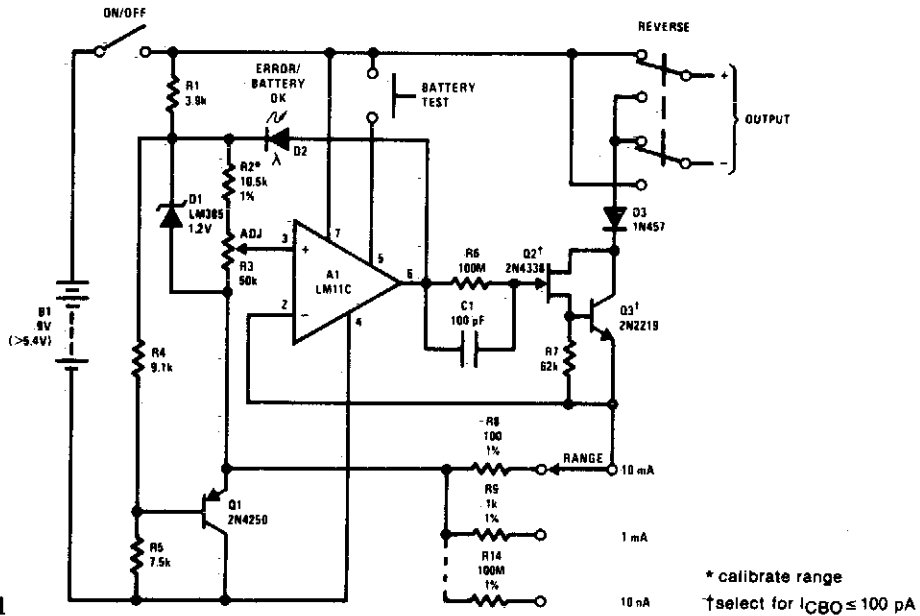


Fig. 21-1

### Circuit Notes

This precision current source has 10  $\mu A$  to 10 mA ranges with output compliance of 30V to -5V. Output current is fully adjustable on each range with a calibrated, ten-turn potentiometer. Error light indicates saturation.

## PRECISION CURRENT SOURCE

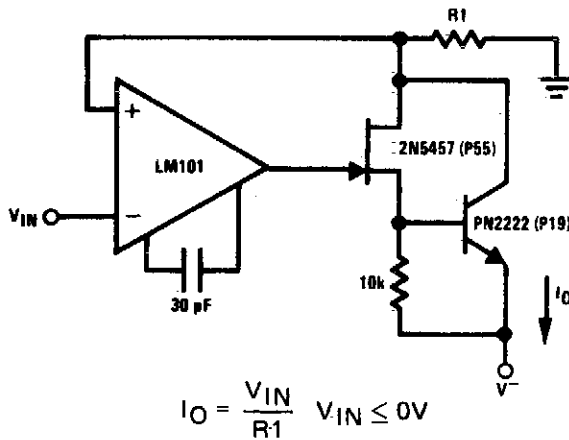


Fig. 21-2

### Circuit Notes

The 2N5457 and PN2222 bipolar serve as voltage isolation devices between the output and the current sensing resistor, R1. The LM101 provides a large amount of loop gain to assure that the circuit acts as a current source. For small values of current (<1 mA), the PN2222 and 10K resistor may be eliminated with the output appearing at the source of the 2N5457.

### PRECISION 1 $\mu\text{A}$ to 1 mA CURRENT SOURCES

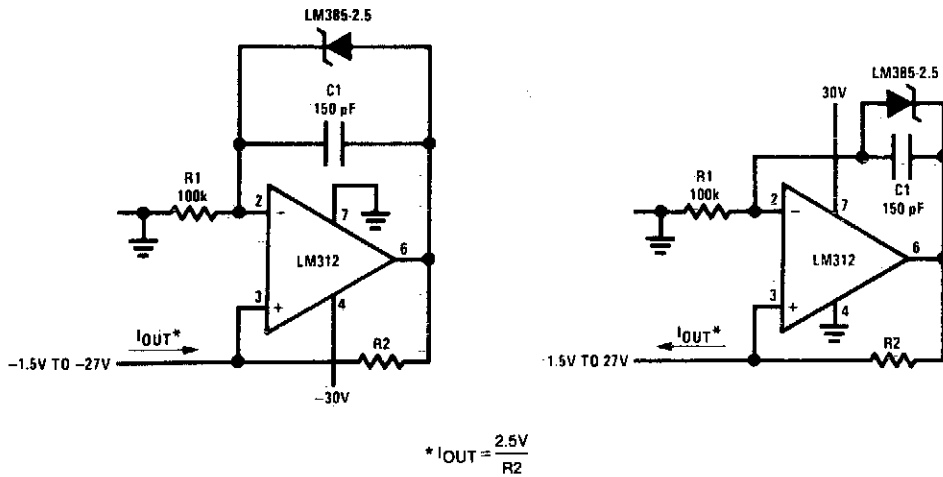


Fig. 21-3

### PRECISION CURRENT SINK

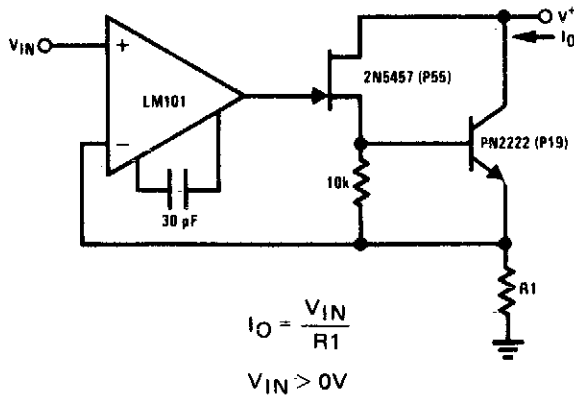


Fig. 21-4

#### Circuit Notes

The 2N5457 JFET and PN2222 bipolar have inherently high output impedance. Using R1 as a current sensing resistor to provide feedback to the LM101 op amp provides a large amount of loop gain for negative feedback to enhance the true current sink nature of this circuit. For small current values, the 10 K resistor and PN2222 may be eliminated if the source of the JFET is connected to R1.

# 22

## Dc/Dc and Dc/Ac Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Dc-to-Dc/Ac Inverter

Dc-to-Dc SMPS Using NE5561 Variable 18  
V to 30 V Out at 0.2 A

Mini Power Inverter as High Voltage, Low

Current Source

Regulated Dc-to-Dc Converter

400 V, 60 W Push-Pull Dc/Dc Converter

Dc/Dc Regulating Converter

Flyback Converter

## DC-TO-DC/AC INVERTER

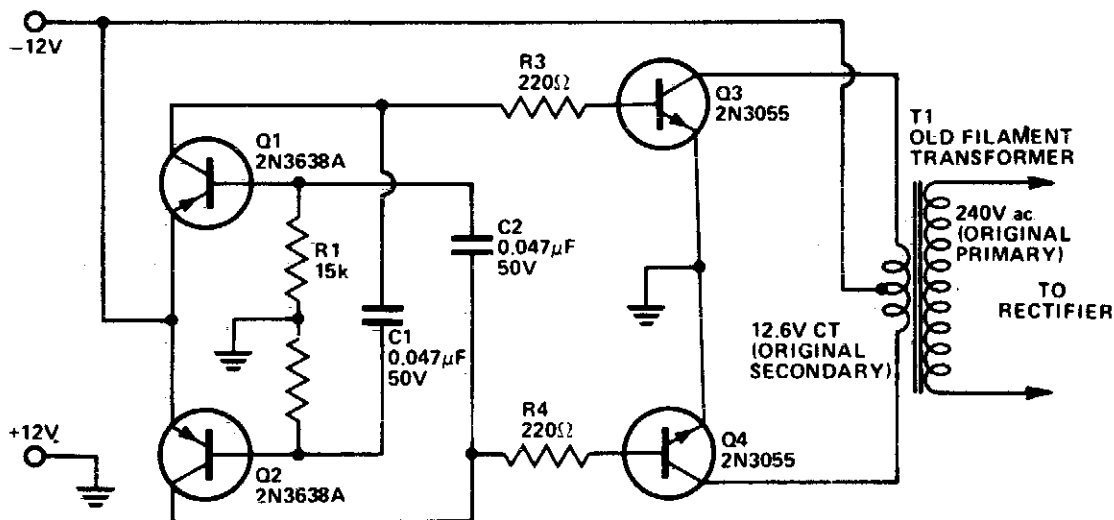


Fig. 22-1

### Circuit Notes

This inverter uses no special components such as the toroidal transformer used in many inverters. Cost is kept low with the use of cheap, readily available components. Essentially, it is a power amplifier driven by an astable multivibrator. The frequency is around 1200 Hz which most 50/60 Hz power transformers handle well without too much loss. Increasing the value of capacitors C1 and C2 will

lower the frequency if any trouble is experienced. However, rectifier filtering capacitors required are considerably smaller at the higher operating frequency. The two 2N3055 transistor should be mounted on an adequately sized heatsink. The transformer should be rated according to the amount of output power required allowing for conversion efficiency of approximately 60%.

## DC-TO-DC SMPS USING NE5561 VARIABLE 18 V to 30 V OUT AT 0.2 A

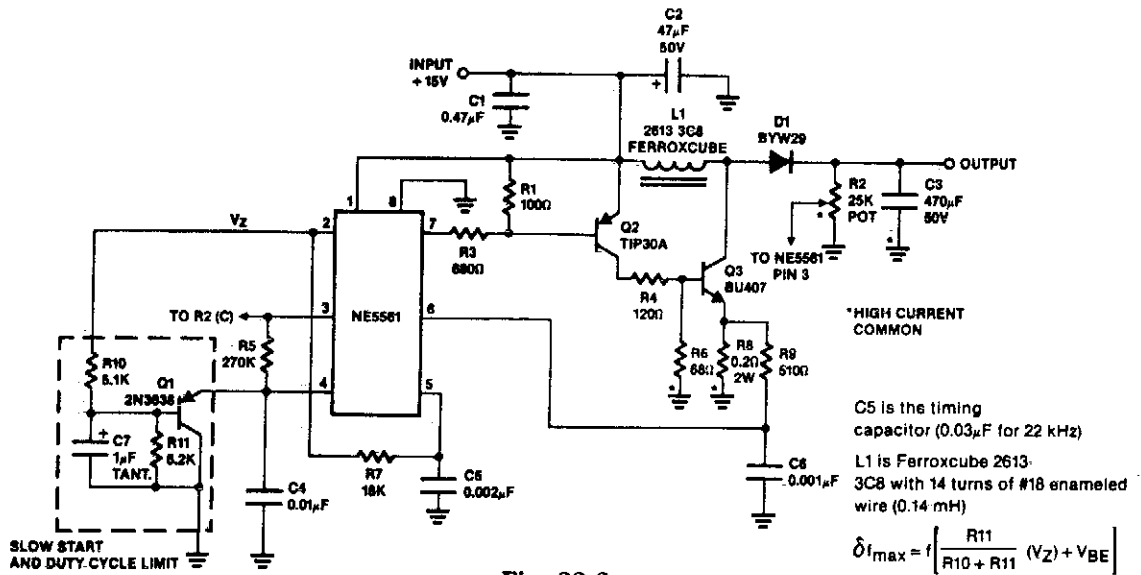


Fig. 22-2

## MINI POWER INVERTER AS HIGH VOLTAGE, LOW CURRENT SOURCE

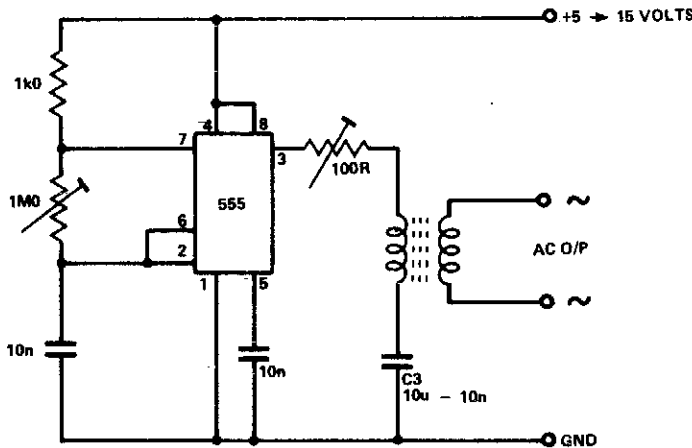


Fig. 22-3

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is capable of providing power for portable Geiger counters, dosimeter chargers, high resistance meters, etc. The 555 timer IC is used in its multivibrator mode, the frequency adjusted to optimize the transformer characteristics. When the output of the IC is

high, current flows through the limiting resistor, the primary coil to charge C3. When the output is low, the current is reversed. With a suitable choice of frequency and C3, a good symmetric output is sustained.

### REGULATED DC-TO-DC CONVERTER

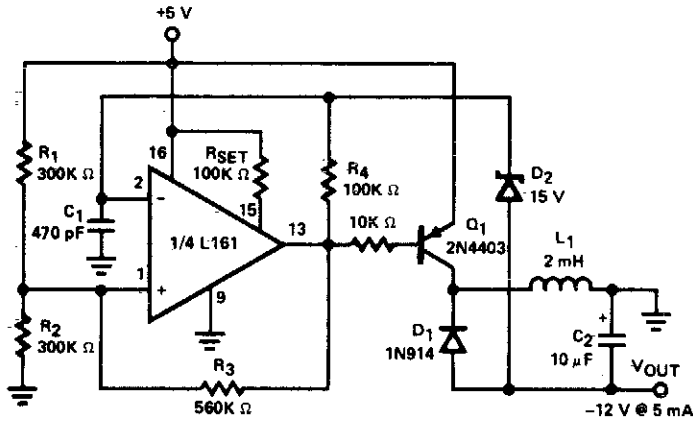


Fig. 22-4

#### Circuit Notes

Low power dc to dc converter obtained by adding a flyback circuit to a square wave oscillator. Operating frequency is 20 kHz to minimize the size of L1 and C2. Regulation is

achieved by zener diode D2. Maximum current available before the converter drops out of regulation is 5.5 mA.

### 400 V, 60 W PUSH-PULL DC/DC CONVERTER

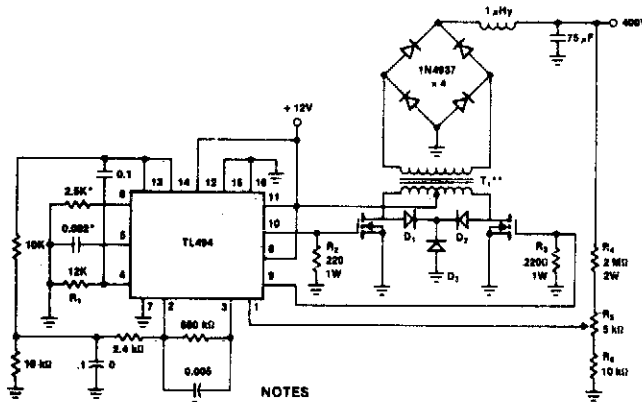


Fig. 22-5

NOTES  
 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED,  
 ALL RESISTORS 5%, 1/4 W  
 ALL CAPACITOR VALUES IN MICROFARADS, 25V  
 Q<sub>1</sub> & Q<sub>2</sub>: VN84GA ON HEAT SINK  
 D<sub>1</sub> & D<sub>2</sub>: 1N4834  
 D<sub>3</sub>: 33V, 3W ZENER  
 T<sub>1</sub>: PRI: 12T, CT, NO 18 AWG  
 SEC: 275T, NO 24 AWG  
 CORE: IND GEN 8231-1

#### Circuit Notes

The TL494 switching regulator governs the operating frequency and regulates output voltage. Switching frequency approximately 100 kHz for the values shown. Output regulation is typically 1.25% from no-load to full 60 W.

## DC/DC REGULATING CONVERTER

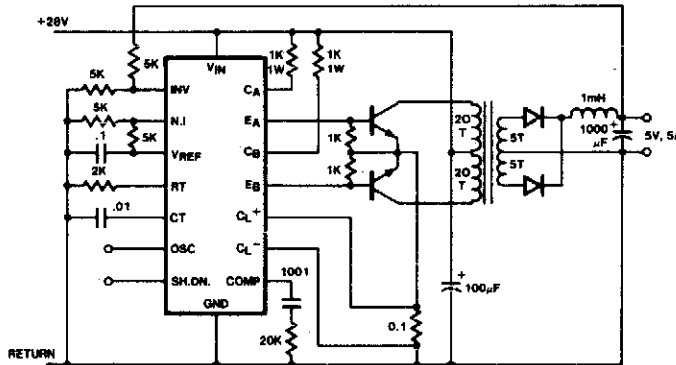


Fig. 22-6

### Circuit Notes

Push-pull outputs are used in this transformer-coupled dc-dc regulating converter. Note that the oscillator must be set at twice the desired output frequency as the SG1524's internal flip-flop divides the fre-

quency by 2 as it switches the PWM signal from one output to the other. Current limiting is done here in the primary so that the pulse width will be reduced should transformer saturation occur.

## FLYBACK CONVERTER

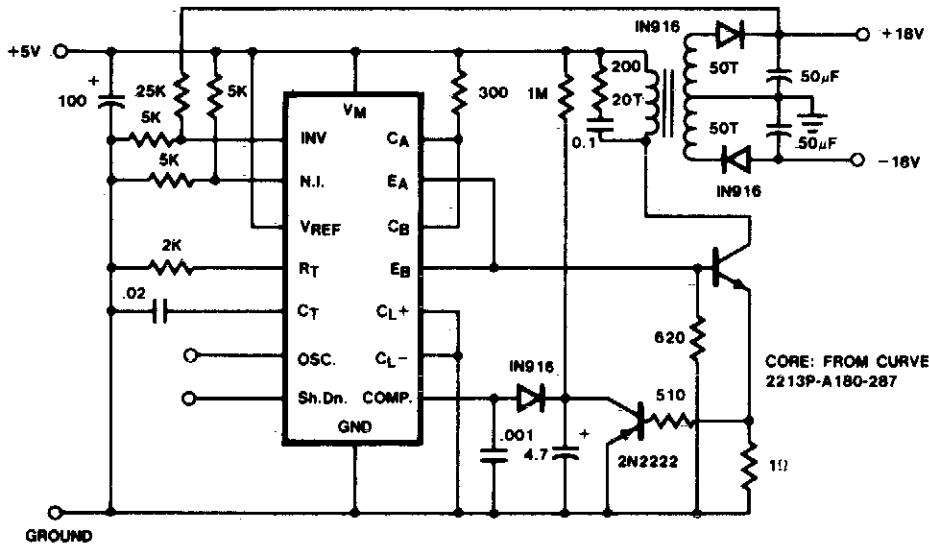


Fig. 22-7

### Circuit Notes

A low-current flyback converter is used here to generate  $\pm 15$  volts at 20 mA from a +5 volt regulated line. The reference generator in the SG1524 is unused with the input voltage

providing the reference. Current limiting in a flyback converter is difficult and is accomplished here by sensing current in the primary line and resetting a soft-start circuit.

# 23

## Decoders

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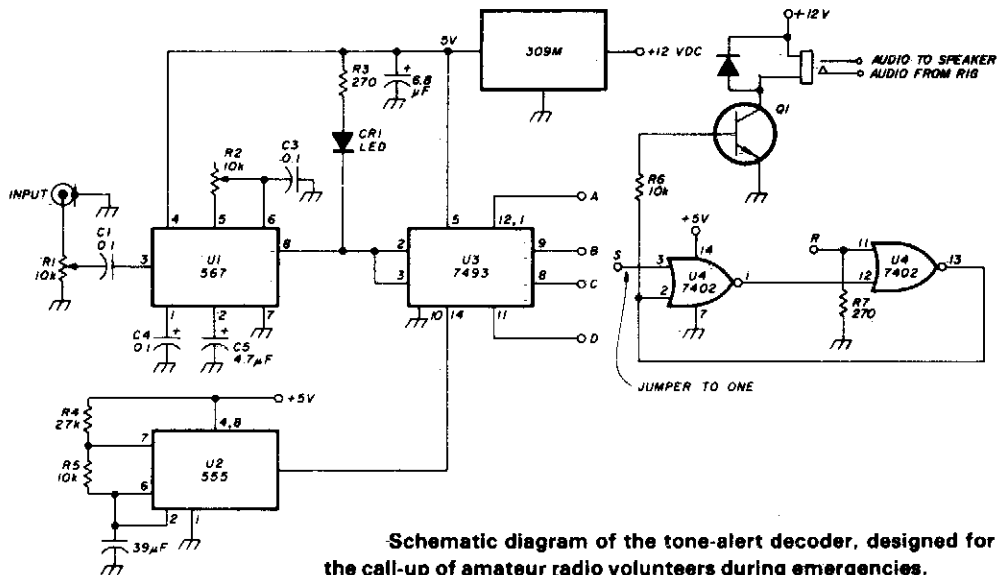
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Tone Alert Decoder  
Tone Decoder with Relay Output  
SCA Decoder

10.8 MHz FSK Decoder  
24% Bandwidth Tone Decoder  
Dual-Tone Decoder



## TONE-ALERT DECODER



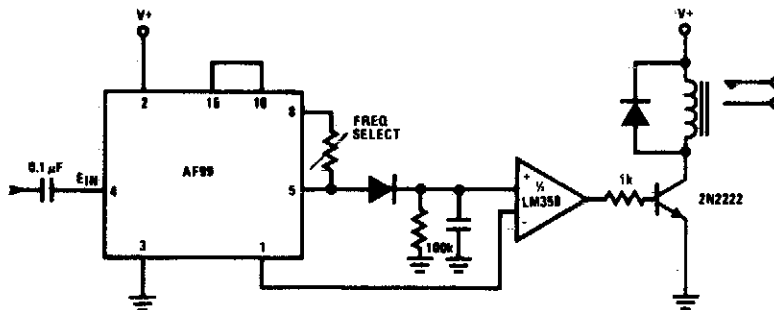
**Fig. 23-1**

### Circuit Notes

PLL (U1) is set with R2 to desired tone frequency. LED lights to indicate lock-up of PLL. Reduce signal level (R1) and readjust R2 to assure lock-up. Delay is selected from counter U3 output. Circuits latches (turns on

Q1 to allow audio to speaker) when proper frequency/duration signal is received. To reset latch, a positive voltage must be applied briefly to the R input of U4.

## TONE DECODER WITH RELAY OUTPUT



**Fig. 23-2**

### SCA (BACKGROUND MUSIC) DECODER

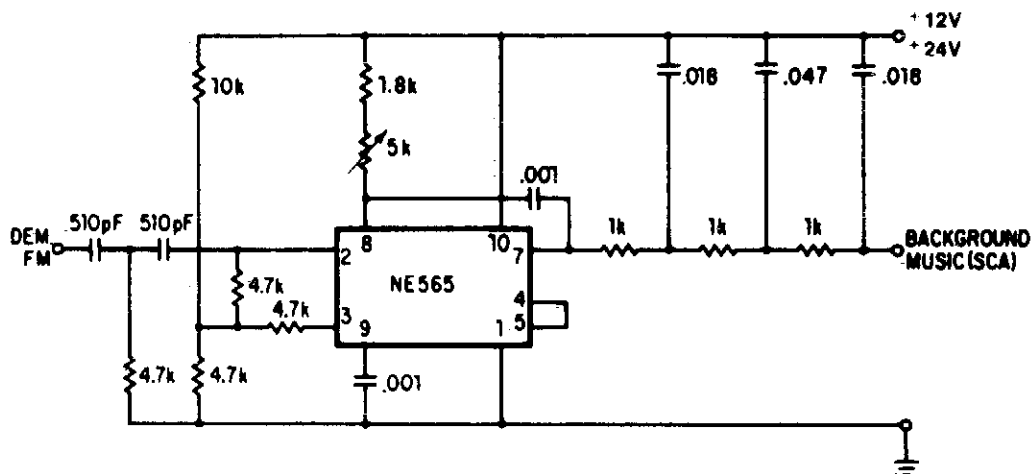


Fig. 23-3

#### Circuit Notes

A resistive voltage divider is used to establish a bias voltage for the input (pins 2 and 3). The demodulated (multiplex) FM signal is fed to the input through a two-stage high-pass filter, both to effect capacitive coupling and to attenuate the strong signal of the regular channel. A total signal amplitude, between 80 mV and 300-mV, is required at the input. Its source should have an impedance of less than 10,000 ohms. The Phase Locked Loop is tuned to 67

kHz with a 5000 ohm potentiometer; only approximate tuning is required, since the loop will seek the signal. The demodulated output (pin 7) passes through a three-stage low-pass filter to provide de-emphasis and attenuate the high-frequency noise which often accompanies SCA transmission. The demodulated output signal is in the order of 50mV and the frequency response extends to 7 kHz.

### 10.8 MHz FSK DECODER

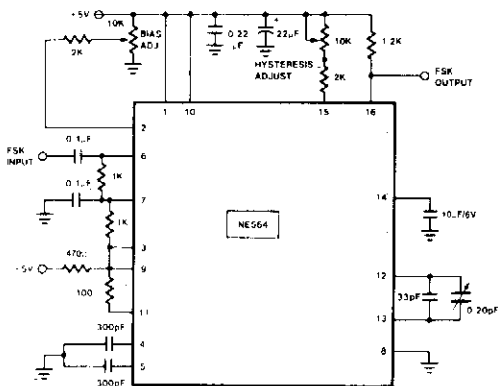


Fig. 23-4

### 24% BANDWIDTH TONE DECODER

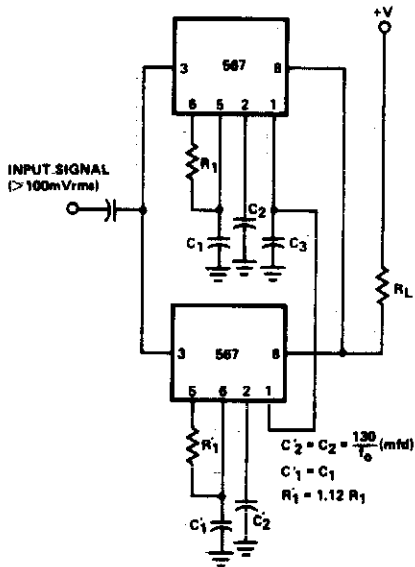


Fig. 23-5

### DUAL-TONE DECODER

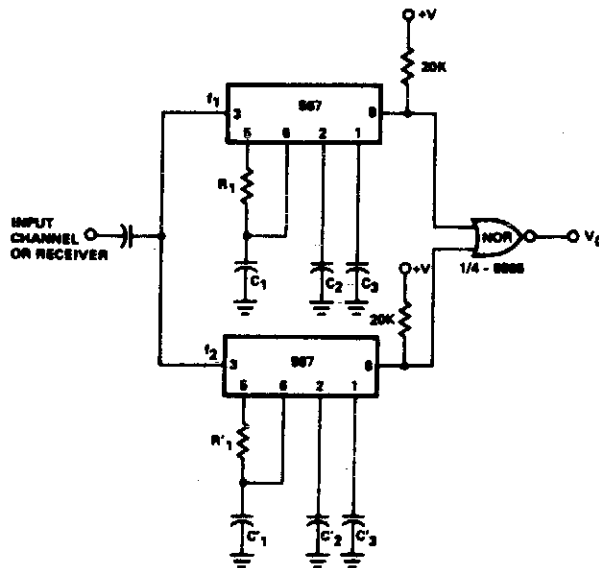


Fig. 23-6

1. Resistor and capacitor values chosen for desired frequencies and bandwidth.
2. If  $C_3$  is made large so as to delay turn-on of the top 567, decoding of sequential ( $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ) tones is possible.

# 24

## Delays

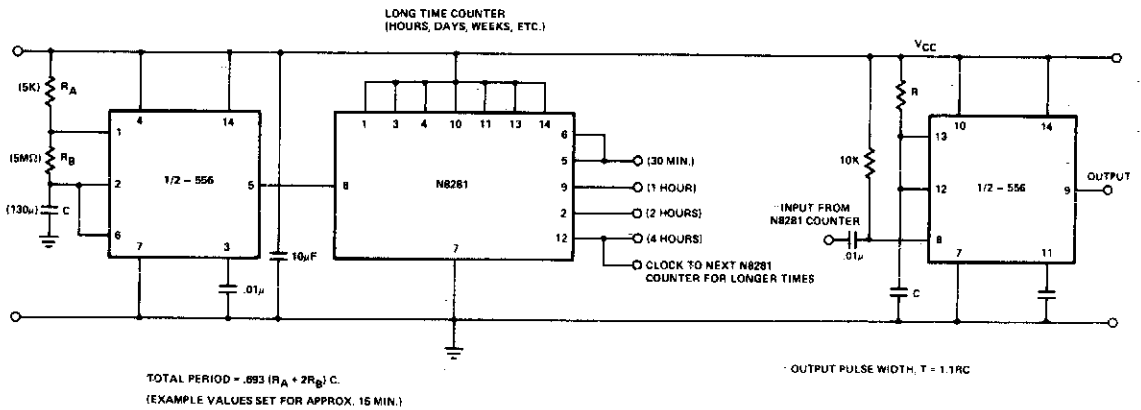
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Long Time Delay  
Time Delay Generator  
Door Chimes Delay  
Time Delay Generator

Long Delay Timer Using PUT  
Ultra-Precise Long Time Delay Relay  
Long Duration Time Delay  
Simple Time Delay Using Two SCRs

## LONG TIME DELAY



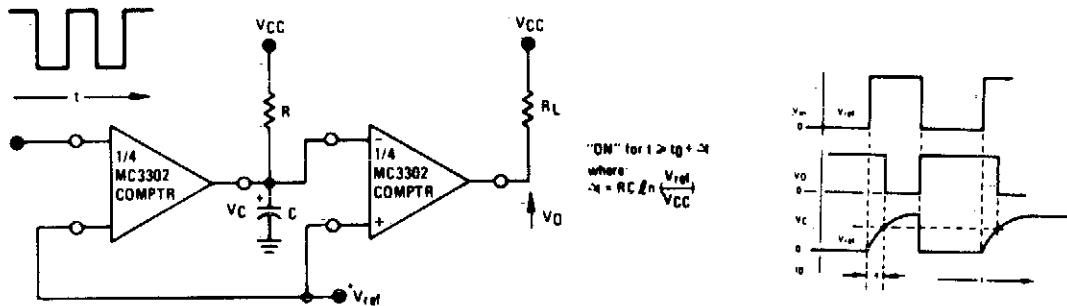
**Fig. 24-1**

### Circuit Notes

In the 556 timer, the timing is a function of the charging rate of the external capacitor. For long time delays, expensive capacitors with extremely low leakage are required. The practicality of the components involved limits the time between pulses to something in the neighborhood of 10 minutes. To achieve longer time periods, both halves of a dual timer may be

connected in tandem with a "Divide-by" network in between the first timer section operates in an oscillatory mode with a period of  $1/f_0$ . This signal is then applied to a "Divide-by-N" network to give an output with the period of  $N/f_0$ . This can then be used to trigger the second half of the 556. The total time delay is now a function of N and  $f_0$ .

## TIME DELAY GENERATOR



**Fig. 24-2**



### LONG DELAY TIMER USING PUT

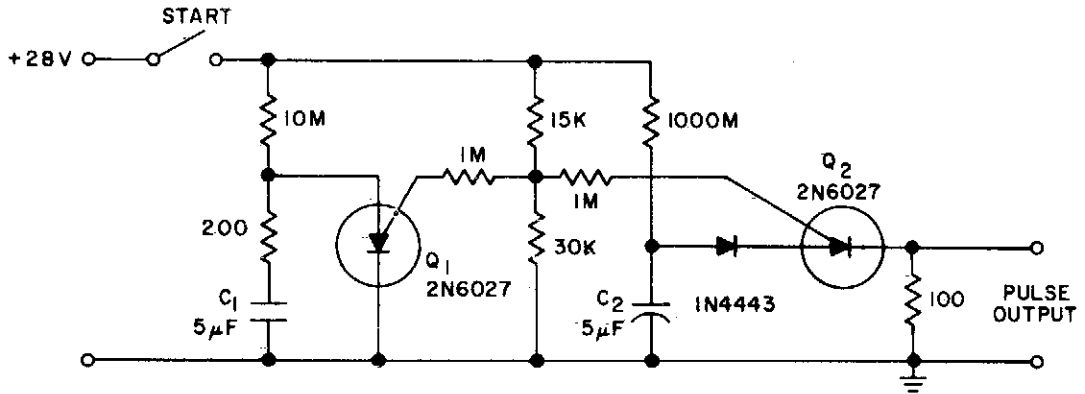


Fig. 24-5

#### Circuit Notes

The PUT is used as both a timing element and sampling oscillator. A low leakage film capacitor is required for C2 due to the low current supplied to it.

### ULTRA-PRECISE LONG TIME DELAY RELAY

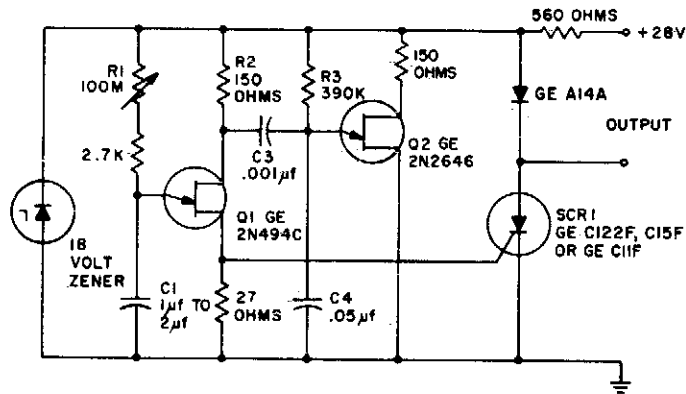


Fig. 24-6

#### Circuit Notes

Predictable time delays from as low as 0.3 milliseconds to over 3 minutes are obtainable without resorting to a large value electrolytic-type timing capacitor. Instead, a stable low

leakage paper or mylar capacitor is used and the peak point current of the timing UJT (Q1) is effectively reduced, so that a large value emitter resistor (R1) may be substituted.

### LONG DURATION TIME DELAY

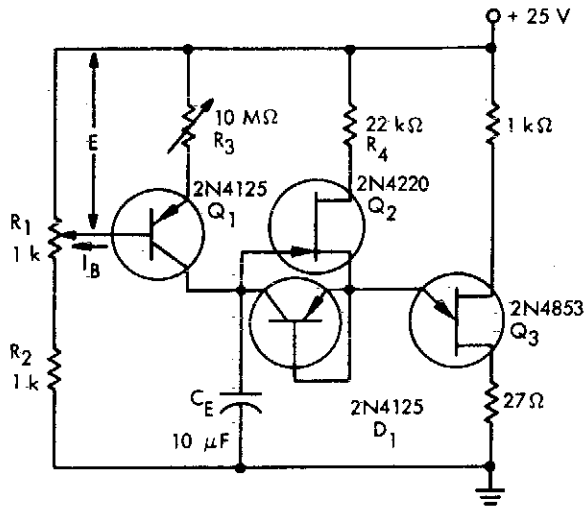


Fig. 24-7

### SIMPLE TIME DELAY

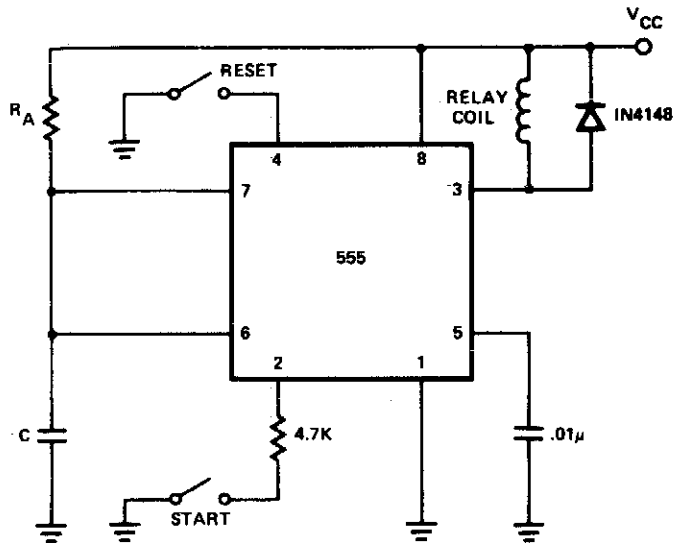


Fig. 24-8



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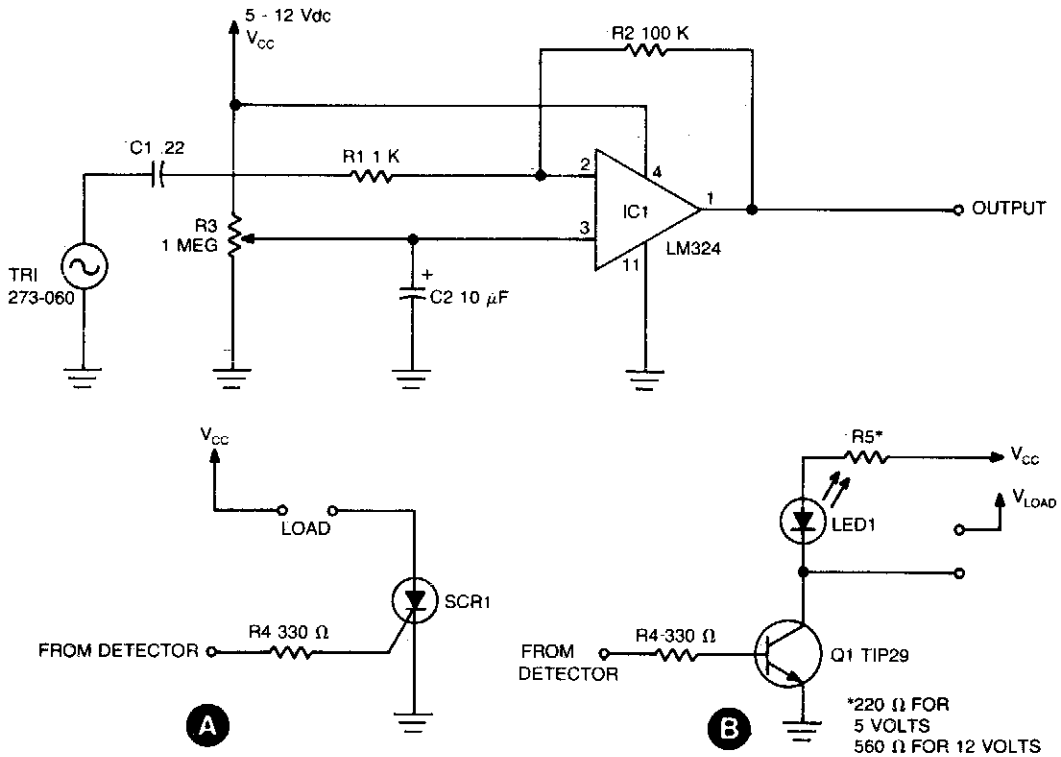
## Detectors

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|  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Air-Motion Detector                      | Half-Wave Rectifier                   |
| Product Detector                         | Tone Detector                         |
| Low Voltage Detector                     | FM Tuner with a Single-Tuned Detector |
| Positive Peak Detector                   | Coil                                  |
| Negative Peak Detector                   | Missing Pulse Detector                |
| Precision Peak Voltage Detector With     | High Speed Peak Detector              |
| Along Memory Time                        | Detector for Magnetic Transducer      |
| Edge Detector                            | Double-Ended Limit Detector           |
| Ultra-Low Drift Peak Detector            | FM Demodulator at 5 V                 |
| Pulse Width Discriminator                | FM Demodulator at 12 V                |
| True RMS Detector                        | Precision Full-Wave Rectifier         |
| Fast Half Wave Rectifier                 | Negative Peak Detector                |
| Telemetry Demodulator                    | Level Detector with Hysteresis        |
| Full-Wave Rectifier and Averaging Filter | Window Detector                       |
| Double-Ended Limit Detector              | Air Flow Detector                     |
| Positive Peak Detector                   |                                       |

## AIR-MOTION DETECTOR



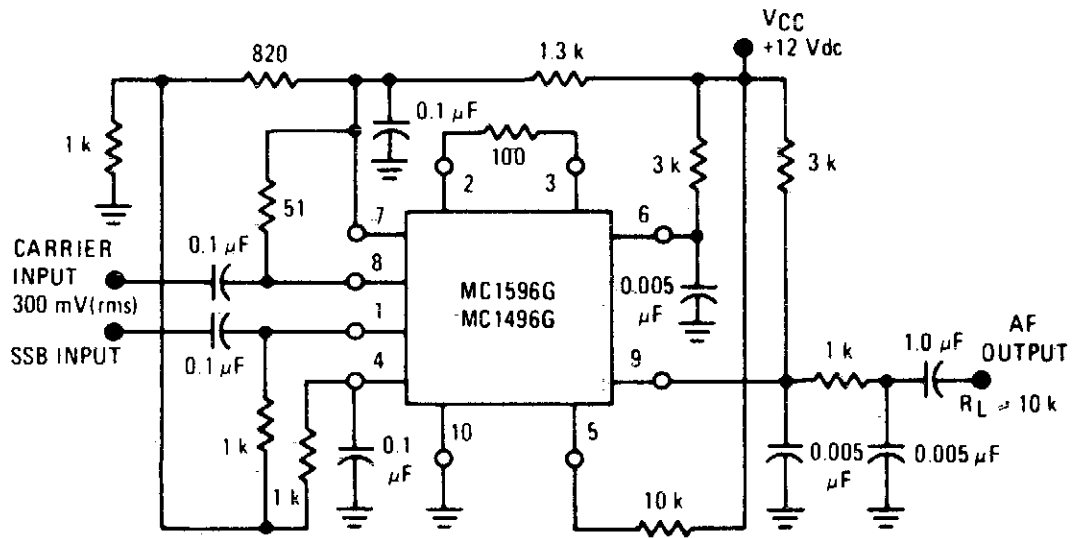
**Fig. 25-1**

### Circuit Notes

Sensing circuit detects either steady or fluctuating air flows. The heart of the circuit is a Radio Shack piezo buzzer (P/N 273-060) and an LM324 quad op amp. (Red wire from the piezo element connects to capacitor C1, and the black wire to ground.) When a current of air hits the piezo element, a small signal is generated and is fed through C1 and R1 to the inverting input (pin 2) of one section of the LM324. That causes the output (pin 1) to go high. Resistor R3 adjusts sensitivity. The cir-

cuit can be made sensitive enough to detect the wave of a hand or the sensitivity can be set so low that blowing on the element hard will produce no output. Resistor R2 is used to adjust the level of the output voltage at pin 1. The detector circuit can be used in various control applications. For example, an SCR can be used to control 117-volt AC loads as shown in A. Also, an NPN transistor, such as a TIP29, can be used to control loads as shown in B.

## PRODUCT DETECTOR



**Fig. 25-2**

### Circuit Notes

The MC1596/MC1496 makes an excellent SSB product detector. This product detector has a sensitivity of 3.0 microvolts and a dynamic range of 90 dB when operating at an intermediate frequency of 9 MHz. The detector is broadband for the entire high frequency range. For operation at very low intermediate frequencies down to 50 kHz the 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitors on pins 7 and 8 should be increased to 1.0  $\mu\text{F}$ . Also, the output filter at pin 9 can be tailored to a specific intermediate frequency and audio amplifier input impedance. The emitter resistance between pins 2 and 3 may be

increased or decreased to adjust circuit gain, sensitivity, and dynamic range. This circuit may also be used as an AM detector by introducing carrier signal at the carrier input and an AM signal at the SSB input. The carrier signal may be derived from the intermediate frequency signal or generated locally. The carrier signal may be introduced with or without modulation, provided its level is sufficiently high to saturate the upper quad differential amplifier. If the carrier signal is modulated, a 300 mV (rms) input level is recommended.

## LOW VOLTAGE DETECTOR

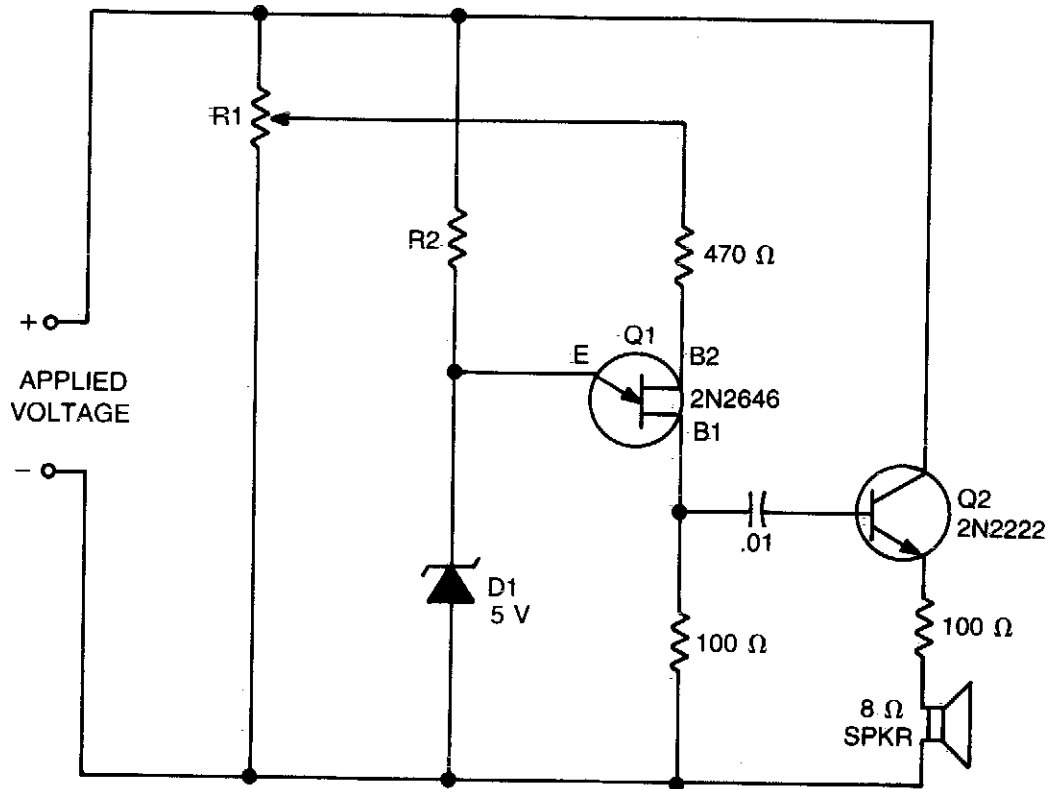


Fig. 25-3

### Circuit Notes

The values of R1, R2, and D1 are selected for the voltage applied. Using a 12-volt battery, R1 = 10 K, R2 = 5.6 K and D1 is a 5-volt zener diode, or a string of forward-biased silicon rectifiers equaling about 5 volts. Transistor Q1 is a general-purpose UJT (Unijunction Transistor), and Q2 is any small-signal or switching NPN transistor. When detector is connected across the battery terminals, it draws little current and does not interfere with other de-

vices powered by the battery. If voltage drops below the trip voltage selected with the R1 setting, the speaker beeps a warning. The frequency of the beeps is determined by the amount of undervoltage. If other voltages are being monitored, select R1 so that it draws only 1 mA or 2 mA. Zener diode D1 is about one-half of the desired trip voltage, and R2 is selected to bias it about 1 mA.

### POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR

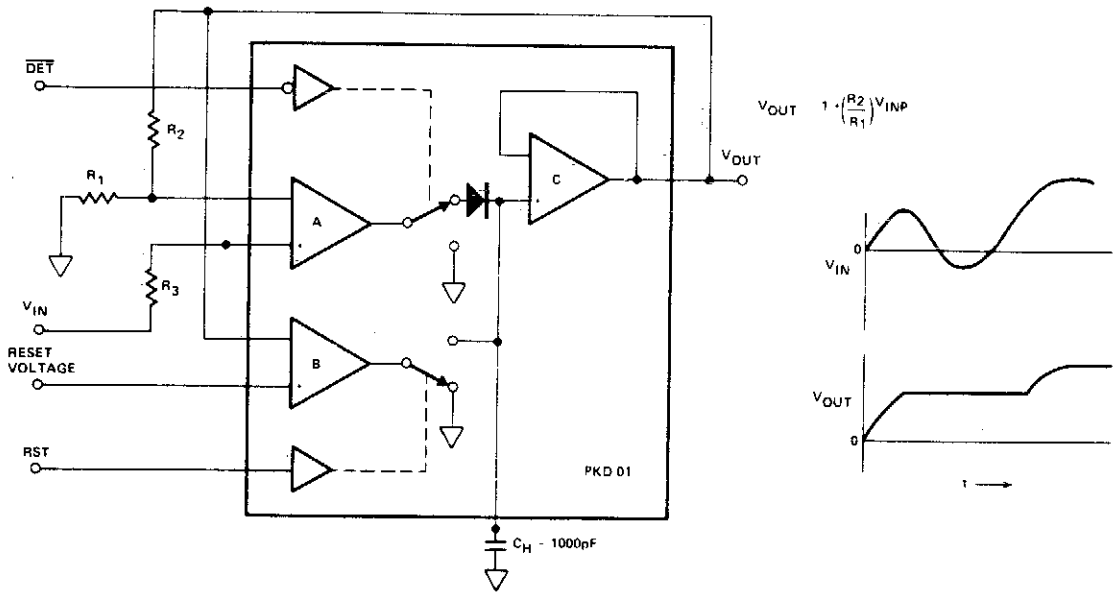


Fig. 25-4

### NEGATIVE PEAK DETECTOR

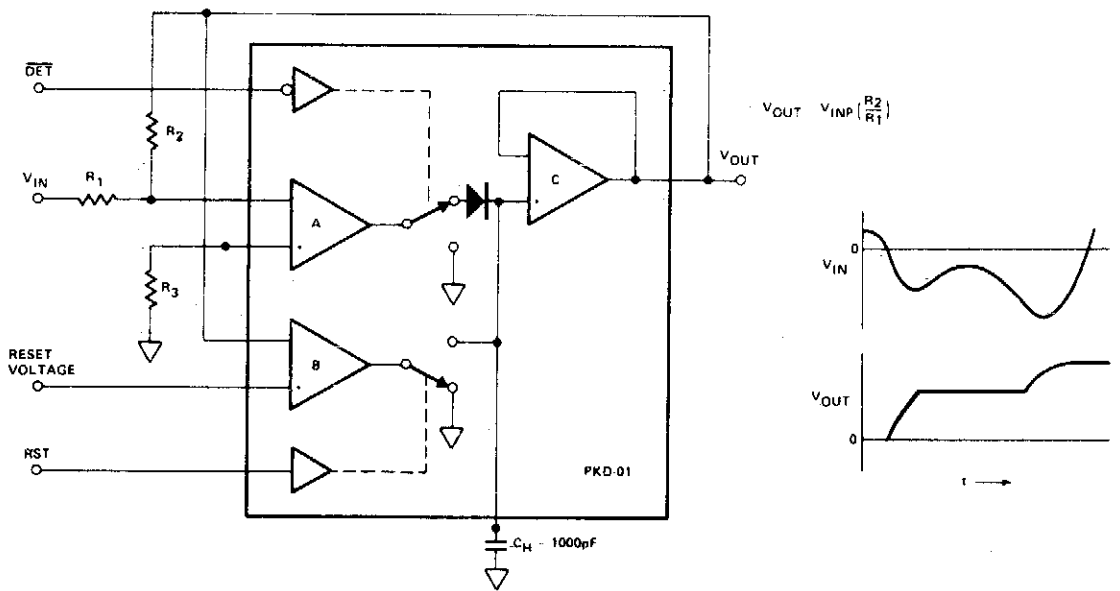


Fig. 25-5

## PRECISION PEAK VOLTAGE DETECTOR WITH A LONG MEMORY TIME

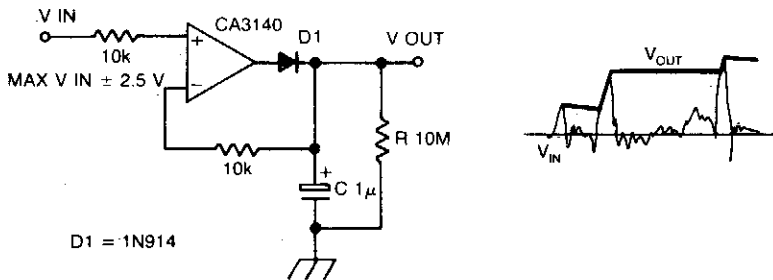


Fig. 25-6

### Circuit Notes

The circuit has negative feedback only for positive signals. The inverting input can only get some feedback when diode D1 is forward biased and only occurs when the input is positive. With a positive input signal, the output of the op amp rises until the inverting input signal reaches the same potential. In so doing, the capacitor C is also charged to this potential. When the input goes negative, the diode D1

becomes reverse biased, the voltage on the capacitor remains, being slowly discharged by the op amp input bias current of 10 pico amps. Thus the discharge of the capacitor is dominantly controlled by the resistor R, giving a time constant of 10 seconds. Thus, the circuit detects the most positive peak voltage and remembers it.

## EDGE DETECTOR

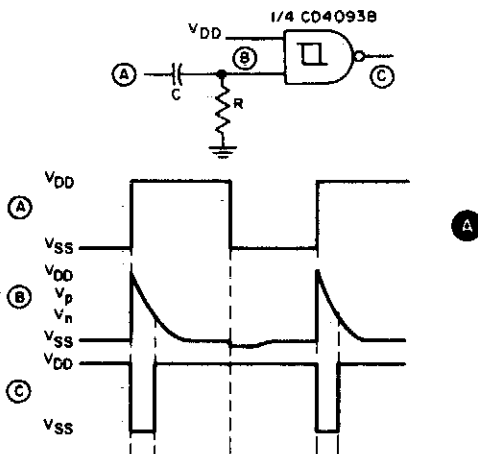
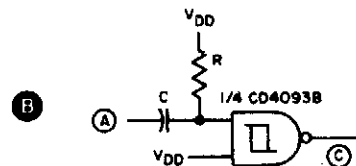


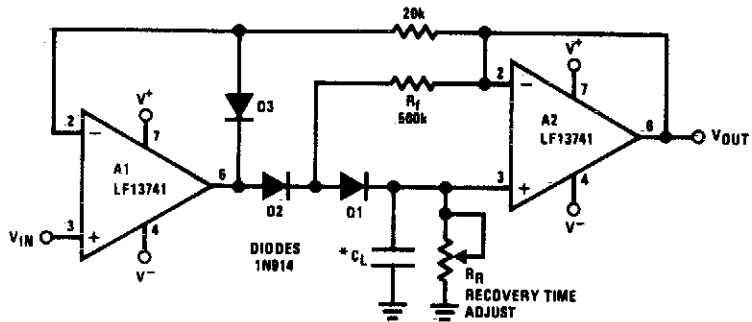
Fig. 25-7

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a short negative-going output pulse for every positive-going edge at the input. The input waveform is coupled to the input by capacitor C; the pulse length depends, as before, on R and C. If a negative going edge detector is required, the circuit in B should be used.



### ULTRA-LOW DRIFT PEAK DETECTOR



- By adding D1 and  $R_f$ ,  $V_{D1} = 0$  during hold mode. Leakage of D2 provided by feedback path through  $R_f$ .
  - Leakage of circuit is  $I_B$  plus leakage of  $C_H$ .
  - D3 clamps  $V_{OUT}$  A1 to  $V_{IN} - V_{D3}$  to improve speed and to limit the reverse bias of D2.
  - Maximum input frequency should be  $\ll 1/2\pi R_f C_{D2}$ , where  $C_{D2}$  is the shunt capacitance of D2.
- \*Low leakage capacitor

Fig. 25-8

### PULSE WIDTH DISCRIMINATOR

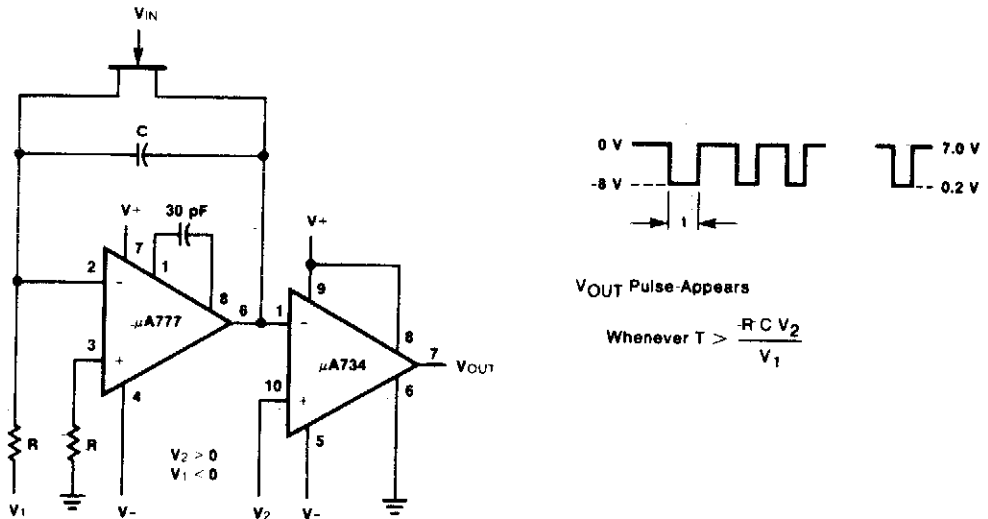
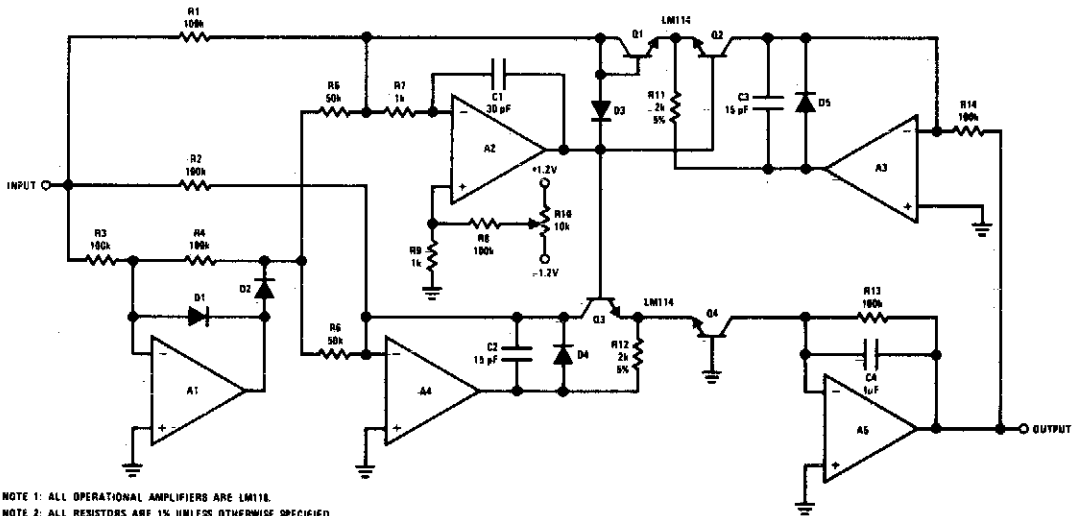


Fig. 25-9

### TRUE RMS DETECTOR



- NOTE 1: ALL OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS ARE LM118.
- NOTE 2: ALL RESISTORS ARE 1% UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
- NOTE 3: ALL DIODES ARE 1N914.
- NOTE 4: SUPPLY VOLTAGE -15V.

Fig. 25-10

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will provide a dc output equal to the rms value of the input. Accuracy is typically 2% for a 20 V<sub>PP</sub> input signal from 50 Hz to 100 kHz, although it's usable to about 500 kHz.

The lower frequency is limited by the size of the filter capacitor. Since the input is dc coupled, it can provide the true rms equivalent of a dc and ac signal.

### FAST HALF-WAVE RECTIFIER

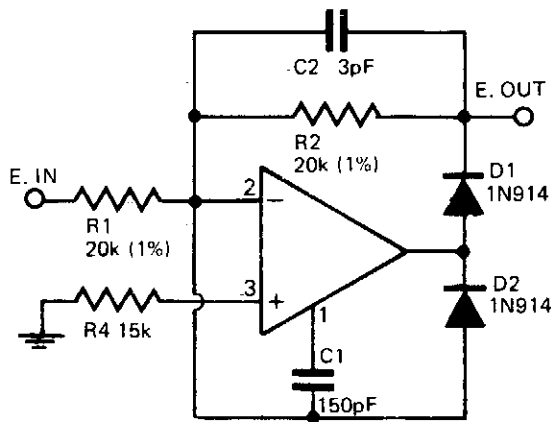


Fig. 25-11

### Circuit Notes

Precision half wave rectifier using an operational amplifier will have a rectification accuracy of 1% from dc to 100 kHz.



## TELEMETRY DEMODULATOR

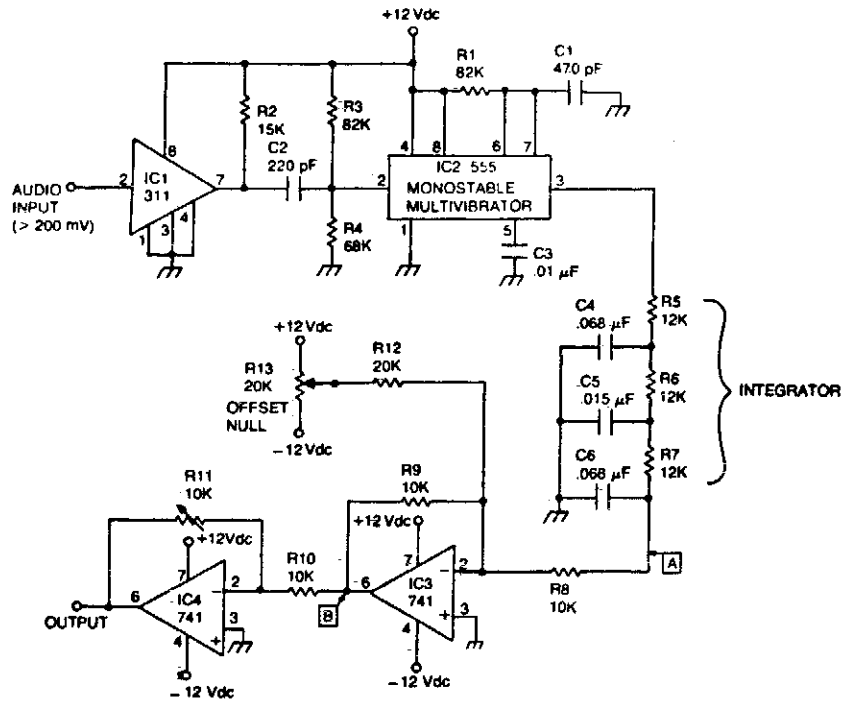


Fig. 25-12

### Circuit Notes

The circuit recovers an FM audio signal that varies from less than 1 kHz to about 10 kHz.

## FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER AND AVERAGING FILTER

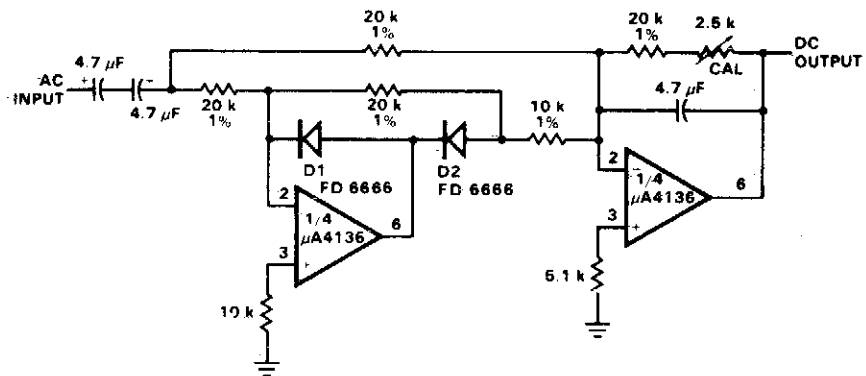
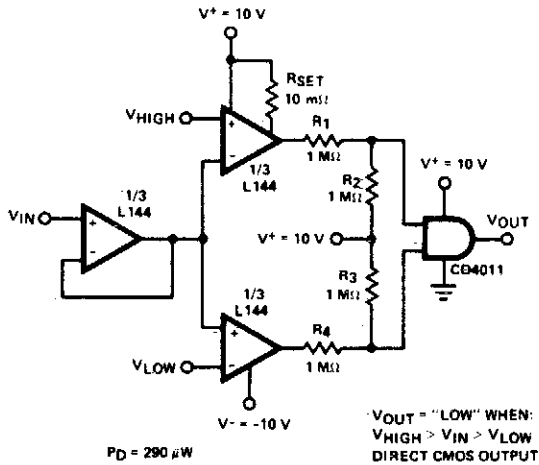


Fig. 25-13

## DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT DETECTOR

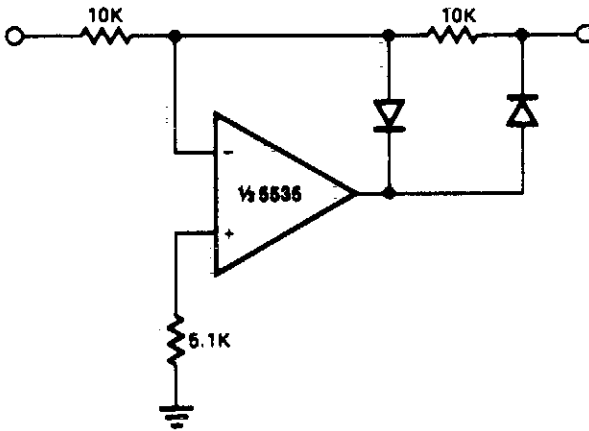


### Circuit Notes

Detector uses three sections of an L144 and a CMOS NAND gate to make a very low power voltage monitor. The  $1\text{ M}\Omega$  resistors R1, R2, R3, and R4 translate the bipolar  $\pm 10\text{ V}$  swing of the op amps to a 0 to 10 V swing acceptable to the ground-referenced CMOS logic. The total power dissipation is  $290\ \mu\text{W}$  while in limit and  $330\ \mu\text{W}$  while out of limit.

**Fig. 25-14**

## HALF-WAVE RECTIFIER



**Fig. 25-15**

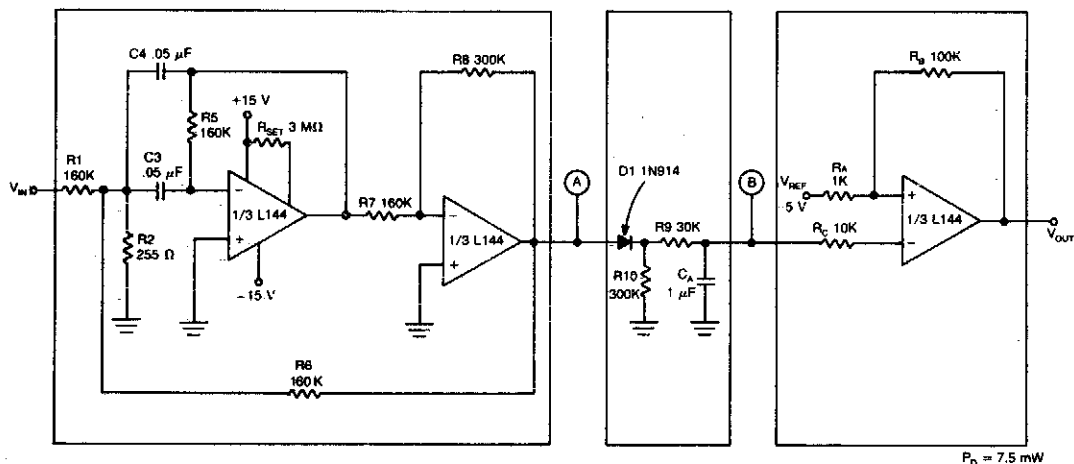
All resistor values are in ohms.

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides for accurate half wave rectification of the incoming signal. For positive signals, the gain is 0; for negative signals, the gain is  $-1$ . By reversing both diodes, the polarity can be inverted. This circuit provides an accurate output, but the output

impedance differs for the two input polarities and buffering may be needed. The output must slew through two diode drops when the input polarity reverses. The NE5535 device will work up to 10 kHz with less than 5% distortion.

## TONE DETECTOR



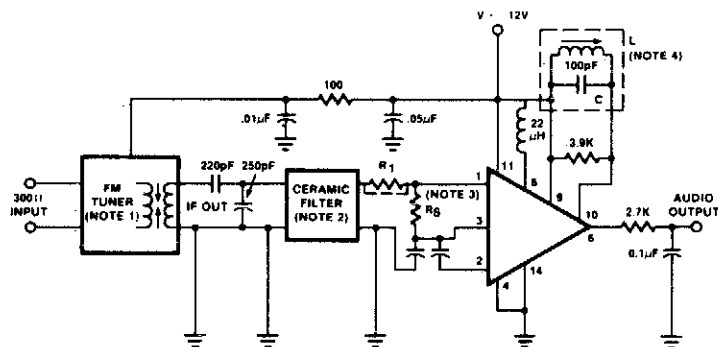
**Fig. 25-16**

### Circuit Notes

The detector circuit is made up a two-amplifier multiple feedback bandpass filter followed by an ac-to-dc detector section and a Schmitt Trigger. The bandpass filter (with a Q of greater than 100) passes only 500 Hz inputs which are in turn rectified by D1 and filtered by

R9 and CA. This filtering action in combination with the trigger level of 5 V for the Schmitt device insures that at least 55 cycles of 500 Hz input must be present before the output will react to a tone input.

## FM TUNER WITH A SINGLE-TUNED DETECTOR COIL



### NOTES

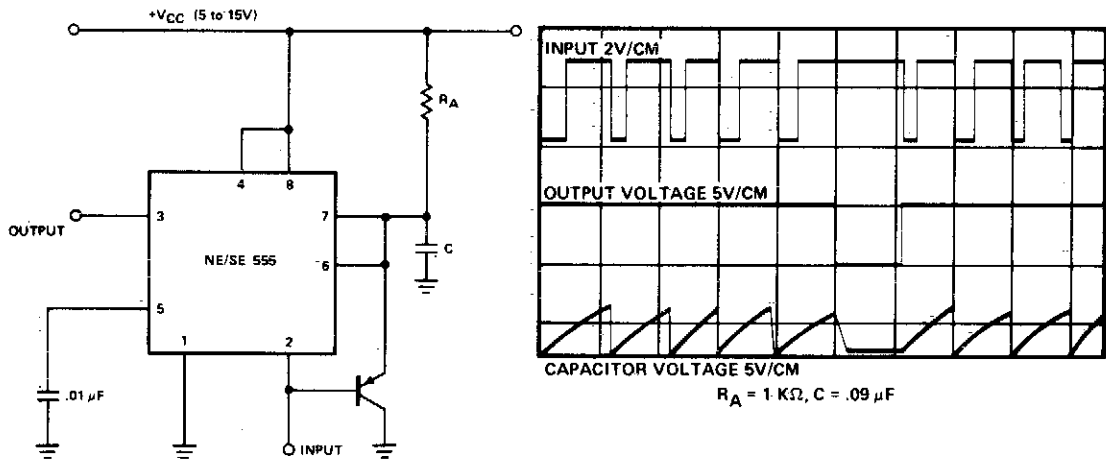
1. Waller 4SN3FIC or equivalent
2. Murate SFG 10.7mA or equivalent
3.  $R_S$  will affect stability depending on circuit layout. To increase stability  $R_S$  is decreased. Range of  $R_S$  is 330 to 500,  $R_1 + R_S \leq 330\Omega$
4. L tuncs with 100pF (C) at 10.7MHz  
 $Q_0$  unloaded  $\approx 75$  (G.I. EX27B25 or equivalent)

Performance data at  $f_o = 98\text{MHz}$ ,  $f_{MOD} = 400\text{Hz}$ , deviation =

|                           |                                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| $\pm 74\text{kHz}$ :      |                                   |
| -3dB limiting sensitivity | 2 $\mu\text{V}$ (antenna level)   |
| 20dB quieting sensitivity | 1 $\mu\text{V}$ (antenna level)   |
| 30dB quieting sensitivity | 1.5 $\mu\text{V}$ (antenna level) |

**Fig. 25-17**

## MISSING PULSE DETECTOR



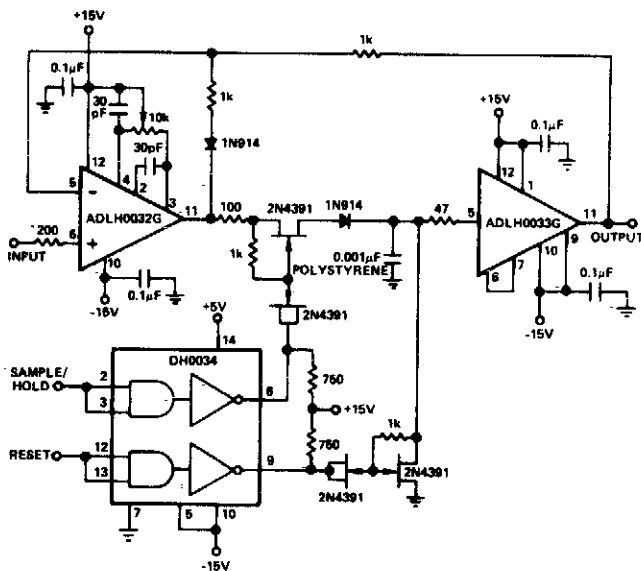
**Fig. 25-18**

### Circuit Notes

The timing cycle is continuously reset by the input pulse train. A change in frequency, or a missing pulse, allows completion of the timing cycle which causes a change in the output level. For this application, the time delay

should be set to be slightly longer than the normal time between pulses. The graph shows the actual waveforms seen in this mode of operation.

## HIGH SPEED PEAK DETECTOR



**Fig. 25-19**

### DETECTOR FOR MAGNETIC TRANSDUCER

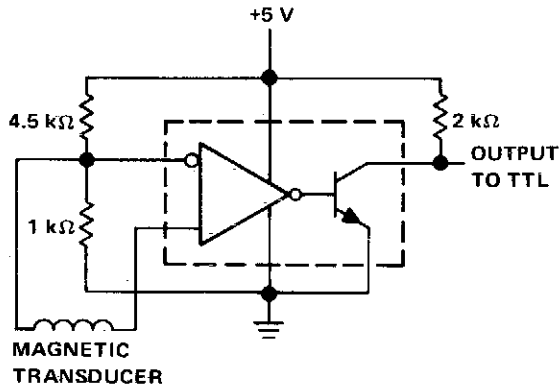


Fig. 25-20

### FM DEMODULATOR AT 5 V

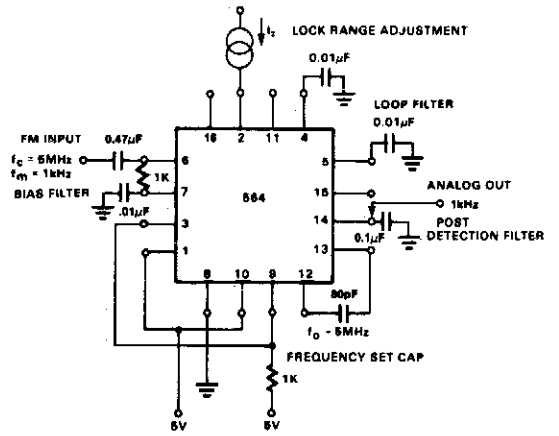


Fig. 25-22

### DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT DETECTOR

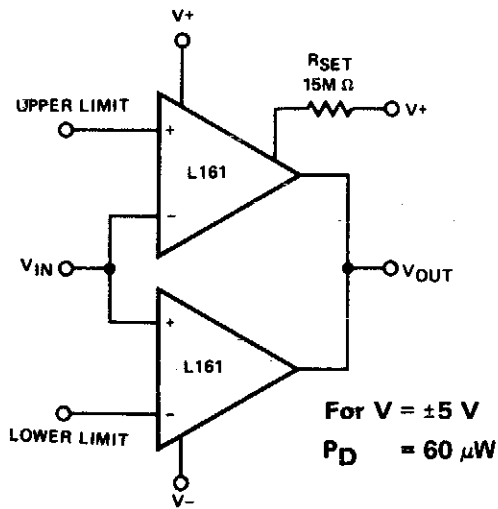


Fig. 25-21

### FM DEMODULATOR AT 12 V

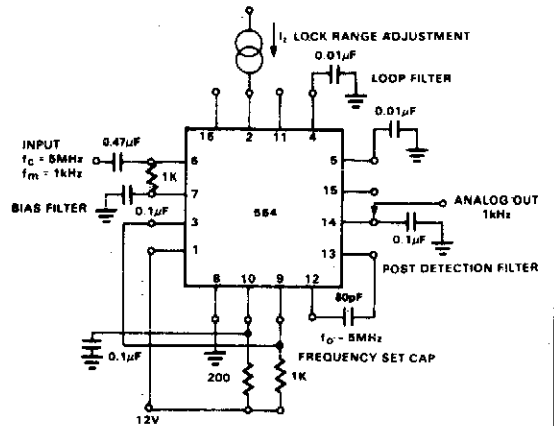


Fig. 25-23

### PRECISION FULL WAVE RECTIFIER

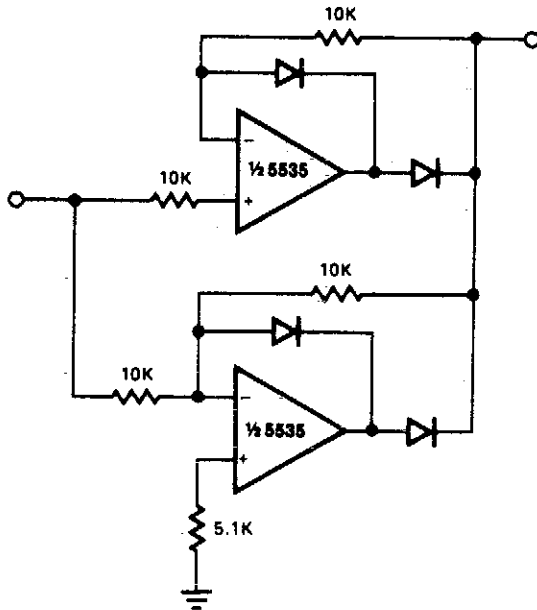


Fig. 25-24

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides accurate full wave rectification. The output impedance is low for both input polarities, and the errors are small at all signal levels. Note that the output will not sink heavy current, except a small amount through the 10 K resistors. Therefore, the load applied should be referenced to ground or a

negative voltage. Reversal of all diode polarities will reverse the polarity of the output. Since the outputs of the amplifiers must slew through two diode drops when the input polarity changes, 741 type devices give 5% distortion at about 300 Hz.

### NEGATIVE PEAK DETECTOR

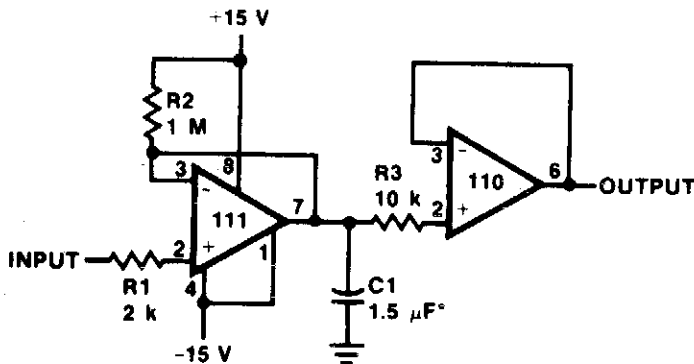


Fig. 25-25

\* Solid tantalum

### LEVEL DETECTOR WITH HYSTERESIS (POSITIVE FEEDBACK)

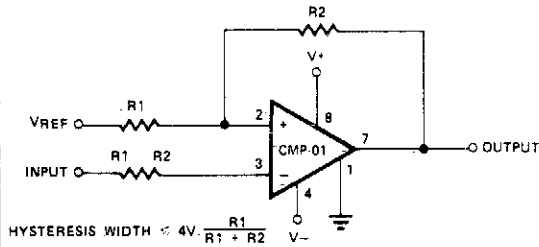
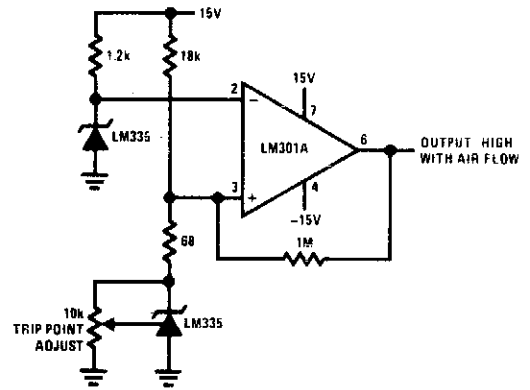


Fig. 25-26

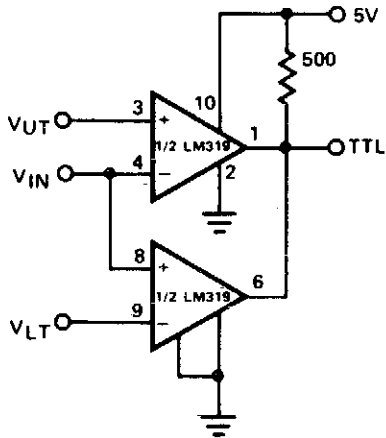
### AIR FLOW DETECTOR



\*Self heating is used to detect air flow

Fig. 25-28

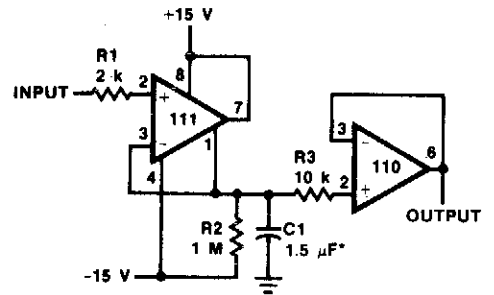
### WINDOW DETECTOR



$V_{OUT} = 5V$  for  $V_{LT} < V_{IN} < V_{UT}$   
 $V_{OUT} = 0$  for  $V_{IN} < V_{LT}$  or  $V_{IN} > V_{UT}$

Fig. 25-27

### POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR



\*Solid tantalum

Fig. 25-29

# 26

## Digital-to-Analog Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

14-Bit Binary D/A Converter (Unipolar)

10-Bit D/A Converter

Fast Voltage Output D/A Converter

Resistor Terminated DAC (0 to -5 V Output)

Three-Digit BCD D/A Converter

8-Bit D/A Converter

High-Speed 8-Bit D/A Converter

10-Bit, 4 Quadrant Multiplexing D/A

Converter (Offset Binary Coding)

8-Bit D/A Converter

$\pm 10$  V Full-Scale Bipolar DAC

Precision 12-Bit D/A Converter

8-Bit D/A with Output Current-to-Voltage  
Conversion

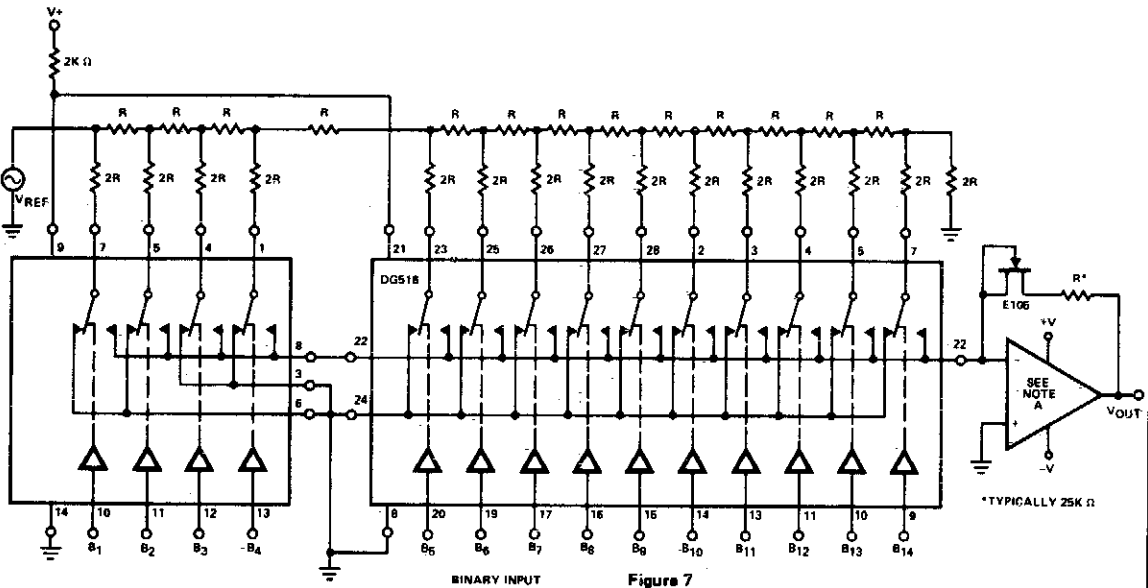
16-Bit Binary DAC

$\pm 10$  V Full-Scale Unipolar DAC

High-Speed Voltage Output DAC



## 14-BIT BINARY D/A CONVERTER (UNIPOLAR)



**NOTE:**

A. Op-Amp characteristics effect D/A accuracy and settling time. The following Op-Amps, listed in order of increasing speed, are suggested:

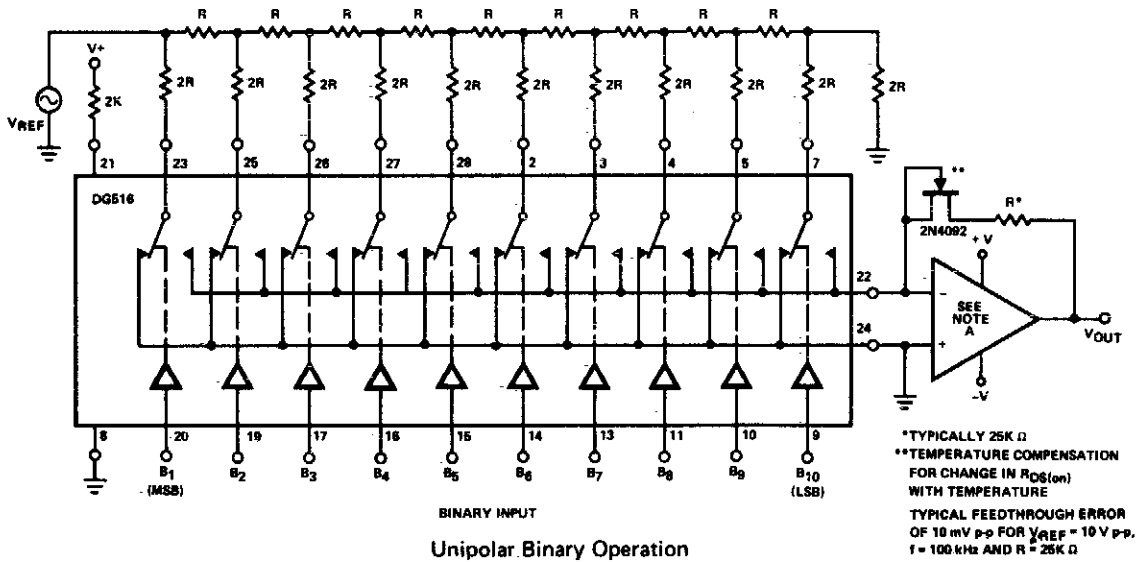
1. LM101A
2. LF156A
3. LM118

### Unipolar Binary Operation

| DIGITAL INPUT                 | ANALOG OUTPUT              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $-V_{REF} (1 - 2^{-14})$   |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $-V_{REF} (1/2 + 2^{-14})$ |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | $-V_{REF}/2$               |
| 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $-V_{REF} (1/2 - 2^{-14})$ |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $-V_{REF} 2^{-14}$         |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0                          |

**Fig. 26-1**

## 10 BIT D/A CONVERTER



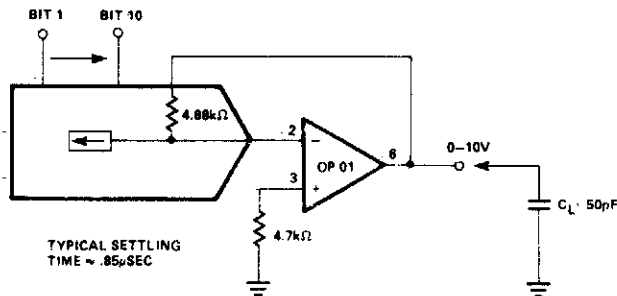
**NOTE:**

Op-Amp characteristics effect D/A accuracy and settling time. The following Op-Amps, listed in order of increasing speed, are suggested:

1. LM101A
2. LF158A
3. LM118

**Fig. 26-2**

## FAST VOLTAGE OUTPUT D/A CONVERTER



**Fig. 26-3**

## RESISTOR TERMINATED DAC (0 TO -5 V OUTPUT)

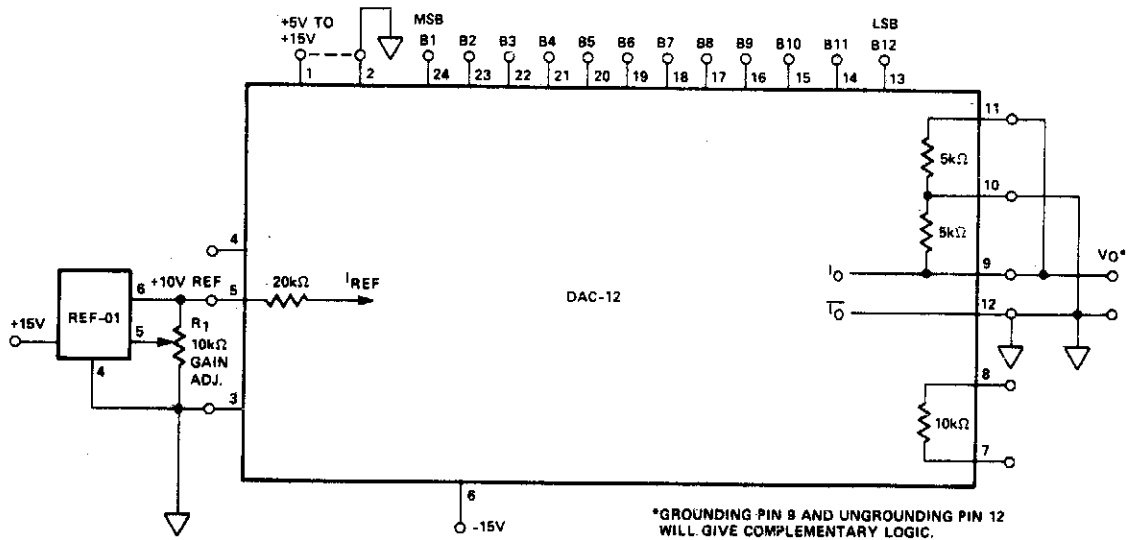


Fig. 26-4

## THREE-DIGIT BCD D/A CONVERTER

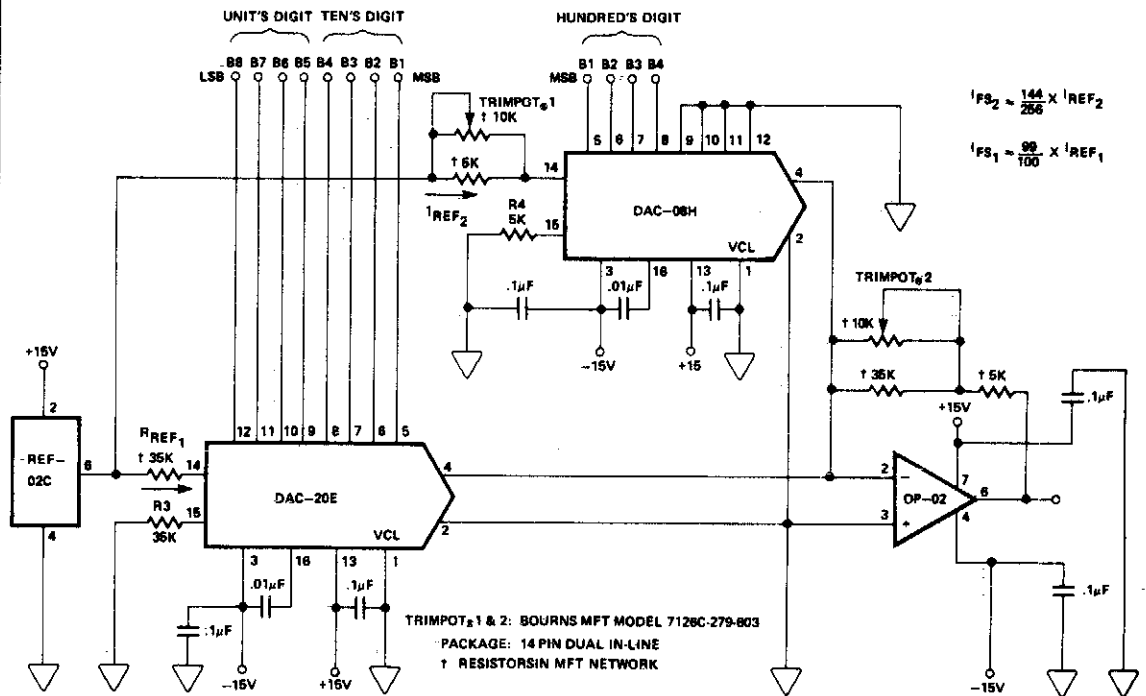
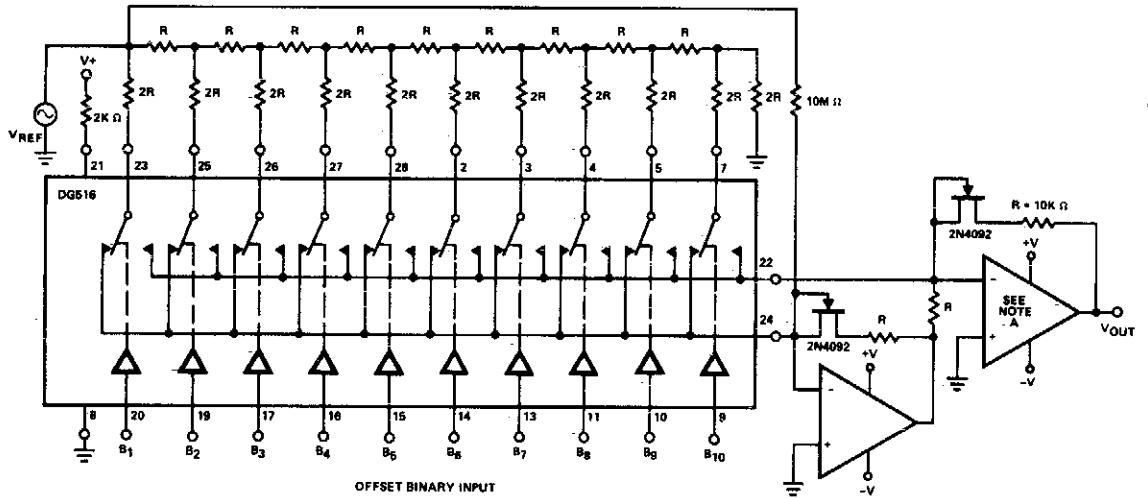


Fig. 26-5



### 10-BIT, 4 QUADRANT MULTIPLEXING D/A CONVERTER (OFFSET BINARY CODING)



Bipolar (Offset Binary)\* Operation

| DIGITAL INPUT       | ANALOG OUTPUT           |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $-V_{REF} (1 - 2^{-9})$ |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $-V_{REF} (2^{-9})$     |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0                       |
| 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $V_{REF} (2^{-9})$      |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $V_{REF} (1 - 2^{-9})$  |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | $V_{REF}$               |

NOTE: 1 LSB =  $2^{-9} V_{REF}$   
 \*Complementing B<sub>1</sub> (MSB) will give 2's complement coding.

Fig. 26-8

### 8-BIT D/A CONVERTER

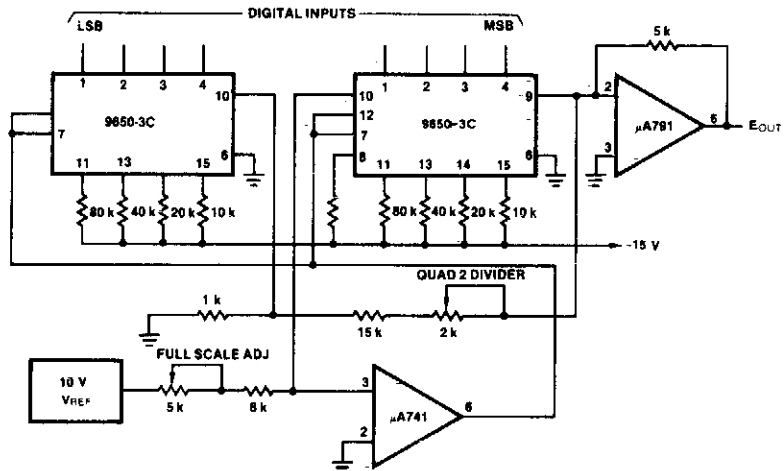
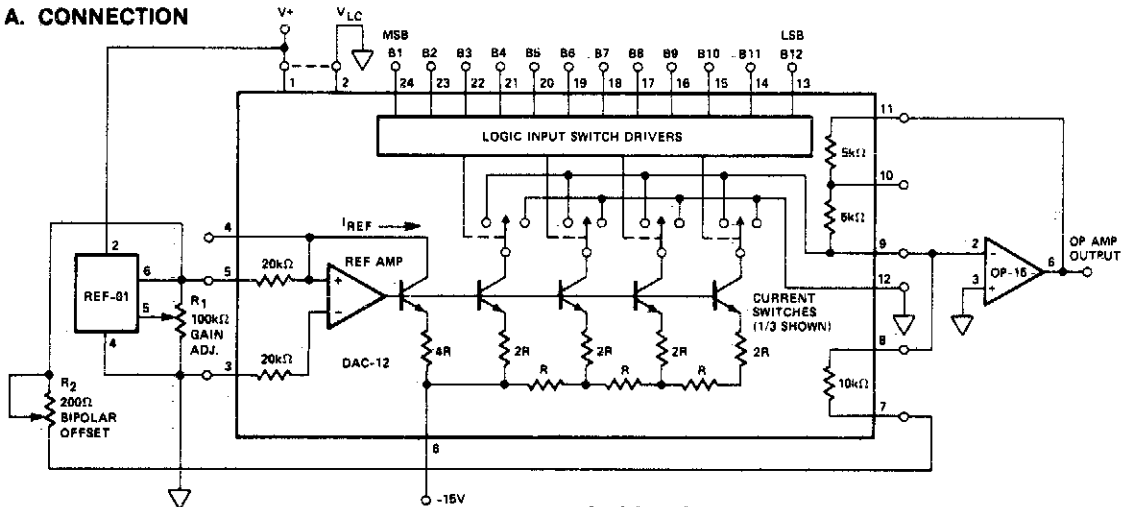


Fig. 26-9

## ±10 V FULL-SCALE BIPOLAR DAC

### A. CONNECTION



### B. ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

1. SET ALL BITS TO "0" STATE
2. ADJUST  $R_2$  UNTIL OUTPUT IS  $-10V$
3. BIT 1 TO "1" STATE
4. ADJUST  $R_1$  UNTIL OUTPUT =  $0.00V$

### C. TRANSFER CURVE

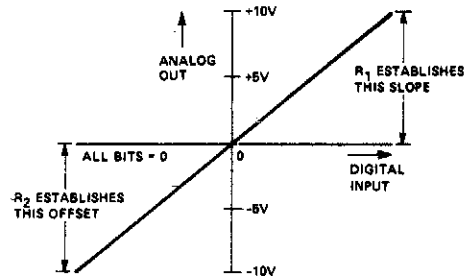


Fig. 26-10

## PRECISION 12-BIT D/A CONVERTER

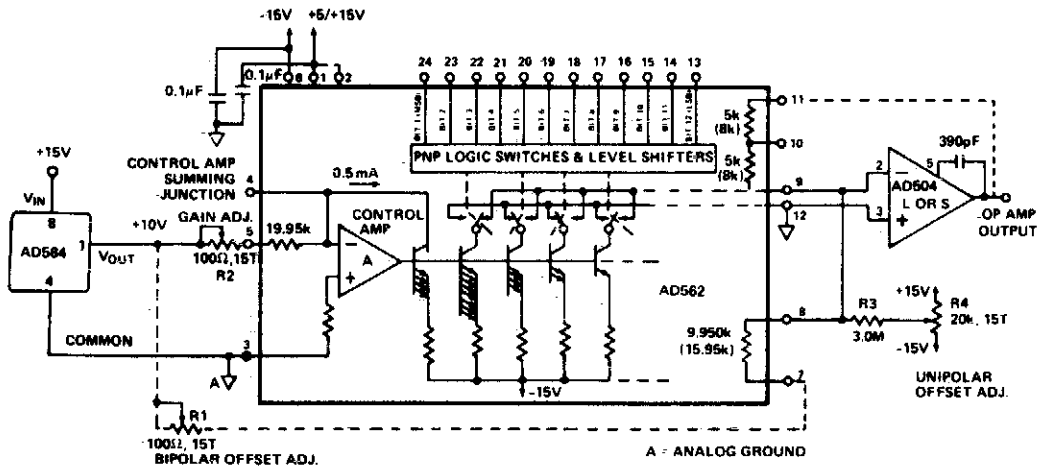


Fig. 26-11

## 8-BIT D/A WITH OUTPUT CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERSION

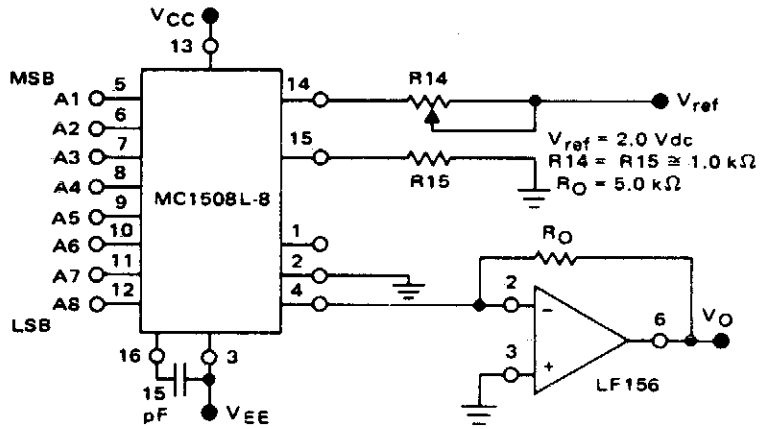


Fig. 26-12

Theoretical  $V_O$

$$V_O = \frac{V_{ref}}{R_{14}} (R_O) \left\{ \frac{A_1}{2} + \frac{A_2}{4} + \frac{A_3}{8} + \frac{A_4}{16} + \frac{A_5}{32} + \frac{A_6}{64} + \frac{A_7}{128} + \frac{A_8}{256} \right\}$$

Adjust  $V_{ref}$ ,  $R_{14}$  or  $R_O$  so that  $V_O$  with all digital inputs at high level is equal to 9.961 volts.

$$V_O = \frac{2V}{1k} (5k) \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{64} + \frac{1}{128} + \frac{1}{256} \right\}$$

$$= 10 \text{ V} \left[ \frac{255}{256} \right] = 9.961 \text{ V}$$

## 16-BIT BINARY DAC

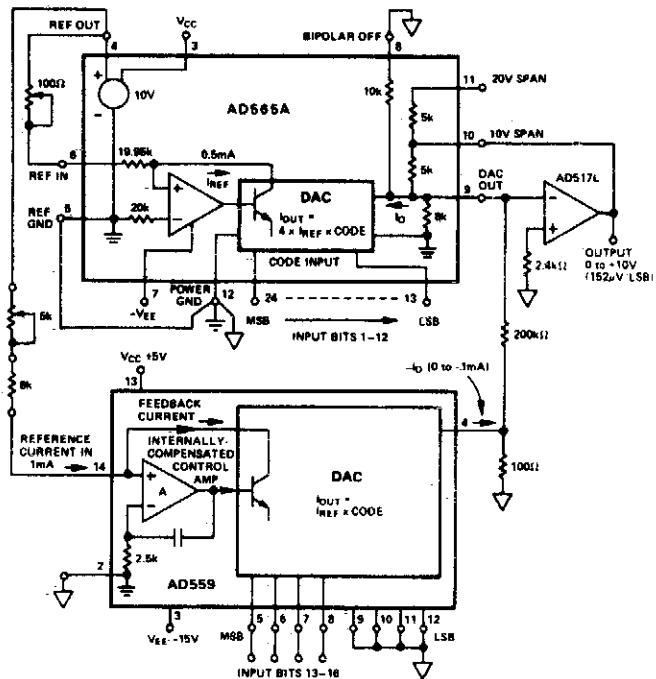
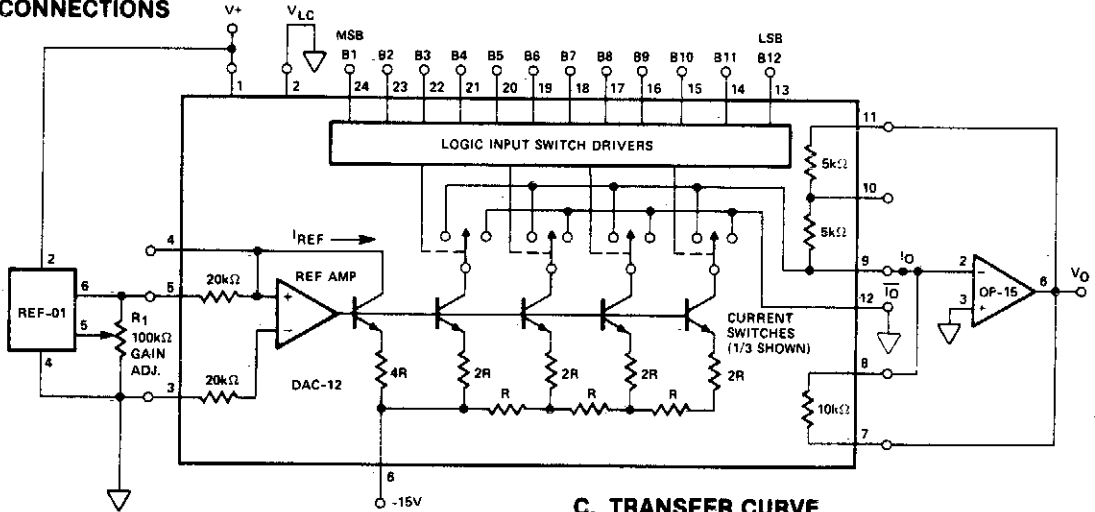


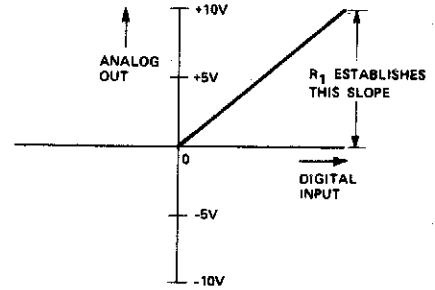
Fig. 26-13

## ±10 V FULL-SCALE UNIPOLAR DAC

### A. CONNECTIONS



### C. TRANSFER CURVE



### B. ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

1. ALL BITS TO "1" STATE ("0" STATE IF PINS 9 AND 12 INTERCHANGED)
2. ADJUST  $R_1$  UNTIL OUTPUT IS +9.9975

$$\frac{4095}{4096} \times 10V$$

Fig. 26-14

## HIGH-SPEED VOLTAGE OUTPUT DAC

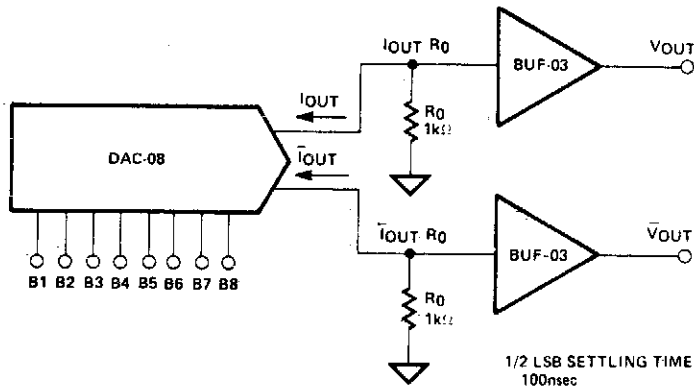


Fig. 26-15

1/2 LSB SETTLING TIME  
100nsec

SYSTEM WILL DRIVE CABLES OR TWISTED PAIRS.



# 27

## Dip Meters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Dip Meter Using Dual-Gate IGFET (MOSFET)

Varicap-Tuned FET DIP Meter with 1 kHz  
Modulator

Dip Meter Using N-Channel IGFET (MOS-  
FET) and Separate Diode Detector

Basic Grid-Dip Meter

Dip Meter Using Germanium PNP

Bipolar Transistor with Separate Diode De-  
tector

Gate-Dip Meter Covers 1.8 - 150 MHz

Dip Meter Using Silicon Junction FET



### DIP METER USING N-CHANNEL IGFET (MOSFET) AND SEPARATE DIODE DETECTOR

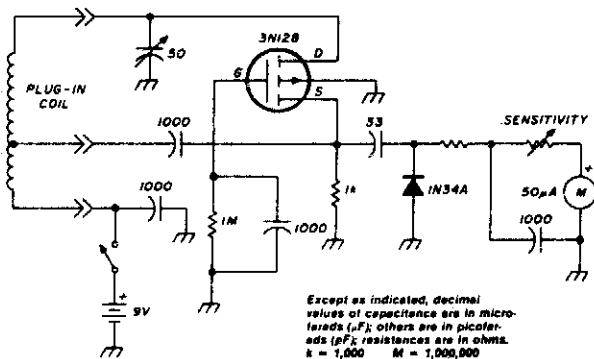
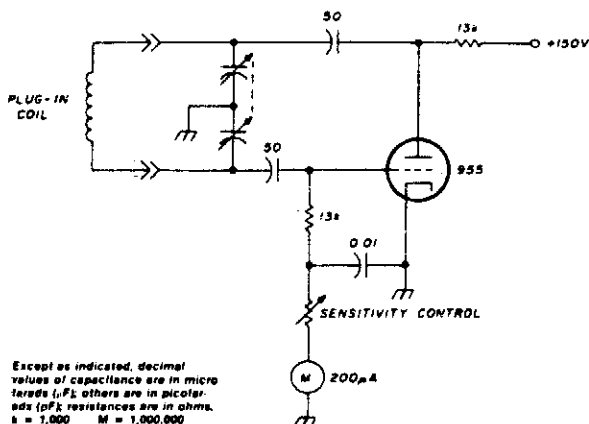


Fig. 27-3

### BASIC GRID-DIP METER



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a triode vacuum-tube (9002 and 6C4 also commonly used).

Fig. 27-4

### DIP METER USING GERMANIUM PNP BIPOLAR TRANSISTOR WITH SEPARATE DIODE DETECTOR

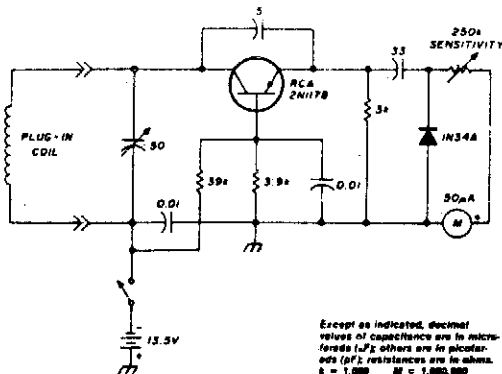
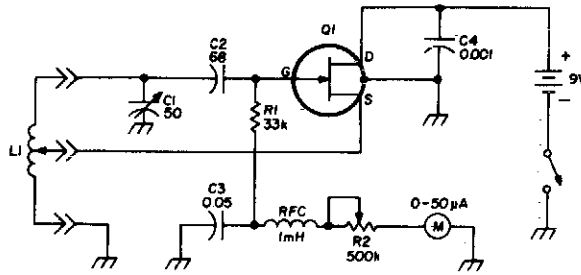


Fig. 27-5

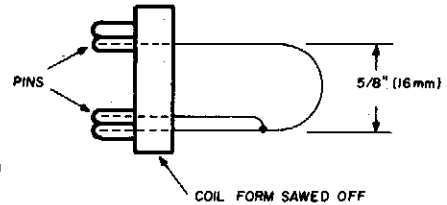
### GATE-DIP METER COVERS 1.8 - 150 MHz



**Coil data.**

| frequency range (MHz) | no. turns | wire size AWG | wire size (mm) | winding length inches | winding length (mm) | tap* | coil diameter inches | coil diameter (mm) |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1.8 - 3.8             | 82        | 26 enamel     | (0.4)          | 1 9/16                | (40.0)              | 12   | 1 1/4                | (32)               |
| 3.6 - 7.3             | 29        | 26 enamel     | (0.4)          | 9/16                  | (14.5)              | 5    | 1 1/4                | (32)               |
| 7.3 - 14.4            | 18        | 22 enamel     | (0.6)          | 3/4                   | (19.0)              | 3    | 1                    | (25)               |
| 14.4 - 32             | 7         | 22 enamel     | (0.6)          | 1/2                   | (12.5)              | 2    | 1                    | (25)               |
| 29 - 64               | 3 1/2     | 18 tinned     | (1.0)          | 3/4                   | (19.0)              | 3/4  | 1                    | (25)               |

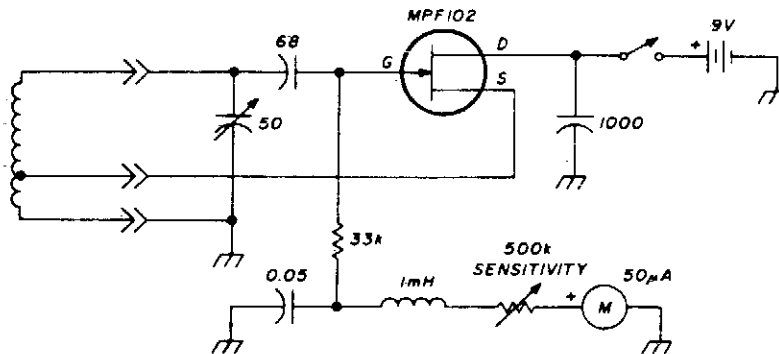
61 - 150 Hairpin of 16 no. AWG (1.3mm) wire, 5/8 inch (16mm) spacing, 2 3/8 inches (60mm) long including coil-form pins. Tapped at 2 inches (51mm) from ground end.



\*Turns from ground-end. 1 inch (25mm) forms are Millen 45004 available from Burstein-Applebee

**Fig. 27-6**

### DIP METER USING SILICON JUNCTION FET



**Fig. 27-7**

Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu F$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms.  $k = 1,000$   $M = 1,000,000$

# 28

## Displays

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

LED Brightness Control

LED Bar/Dot-Level Meter

60 dB Dot Mode Display

Bar Display with Alarm Flasher

12-Hour Clock with Gas Discharge Displays

Precision Frequency Counter (~ 1 MHz  
Maximum)

Exclamation Point Display

LED Bar Peak Program Meter Display  
for Audio

10 MHz Universal Counter

## LED BRIGHTNESS CONTROL

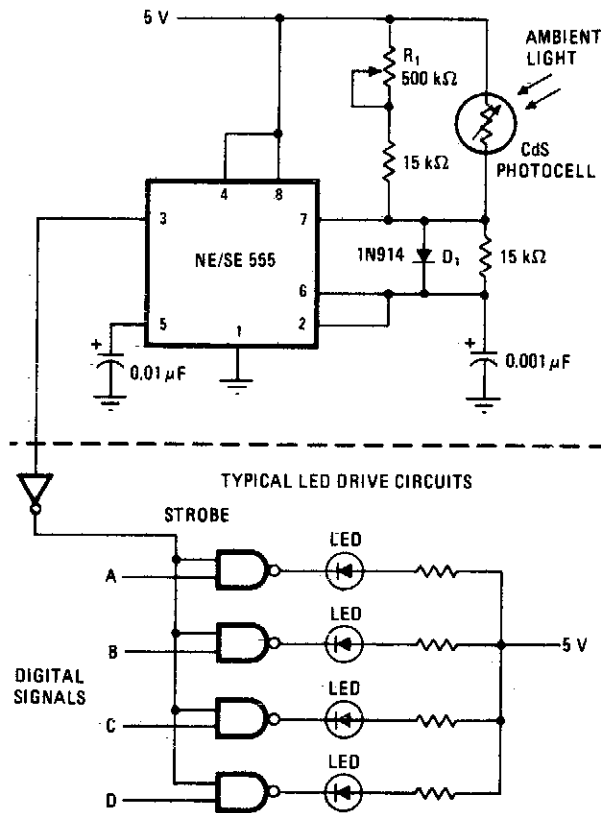


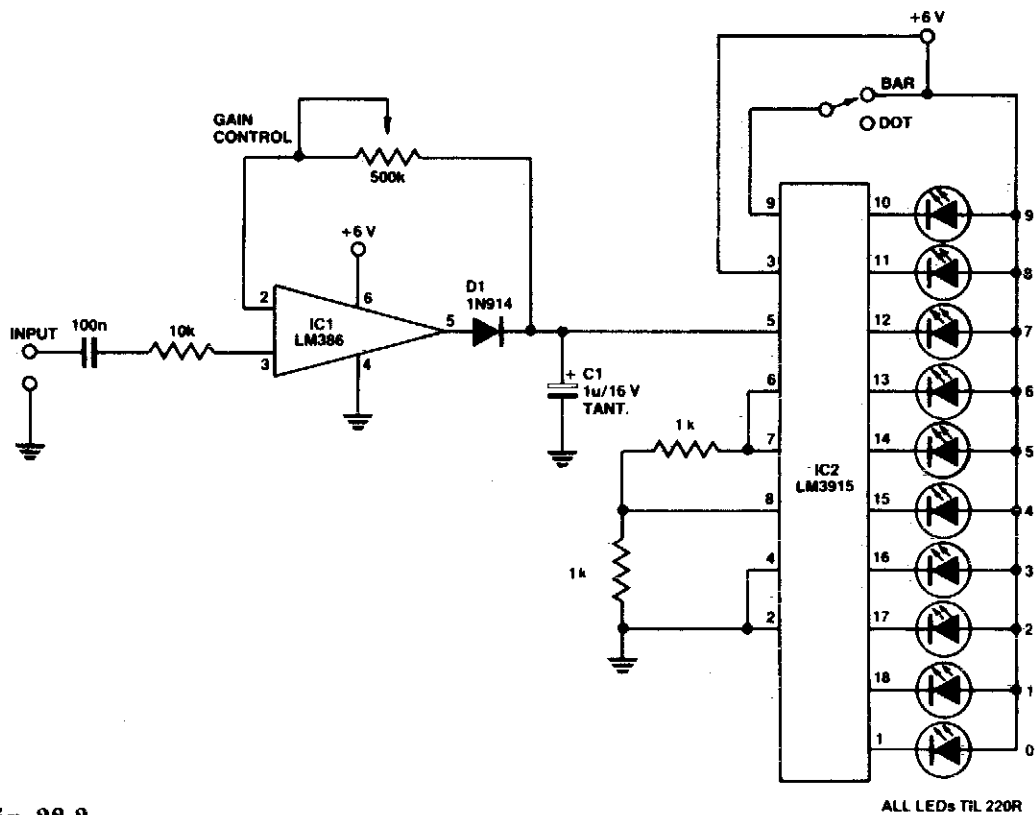
Fig. 28-1

### Circuit Notes

The brightness of LED display is varied by using a photocell in place of one timing resistor in a 555 timer, and bypassing the other

timing resistor to boost the timer's maximum duty cycle. The result is a brighter display in sunlight and a fainter one in the dark.

## LED BAR/DOT LEVEL METER



**Fig. 28-2**

### Circuit Notes

A simple level of power meter can be arranged to give a bar or dot display for a hi-fi system. Use green LEDs for 0 to 7; yellow for 8 and red for 9 to indicate peak power. The gain control is provided to enable calibration on the

equipment with which the unit is used. Because the unit draws some 200 mA, a power supply is advisable instead of running the unit from batteries.

### 60 dB DOT MODE DISPLAY

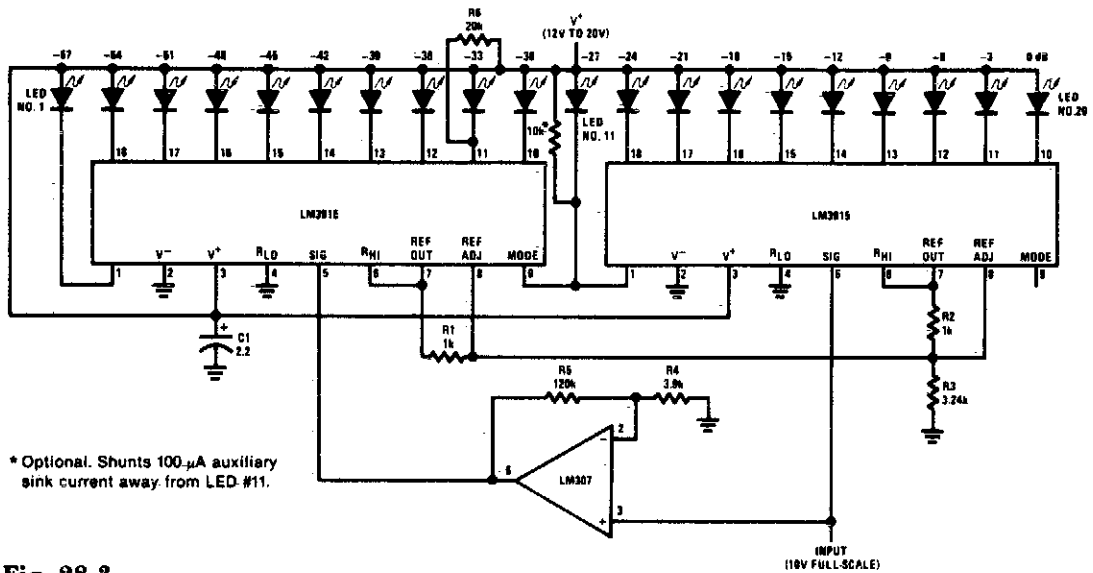


Fig. 28-3

### BAR DISPLAY WITH ALARM FLASHER

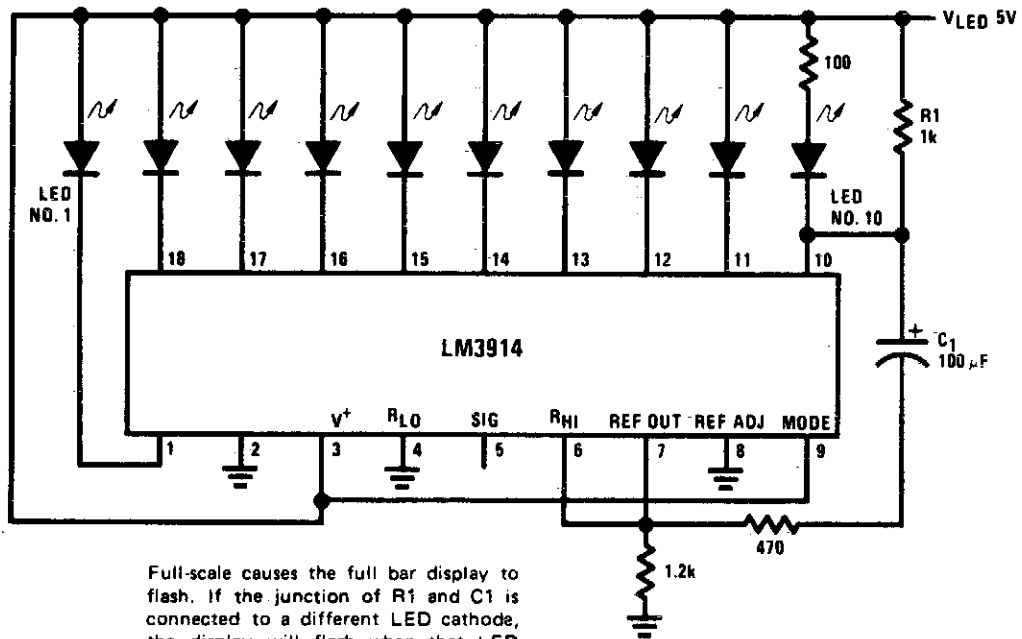


Fig. 28-4



## 12-HOUR CLOCK WITH GAS DISCHARGE DISPLAYS

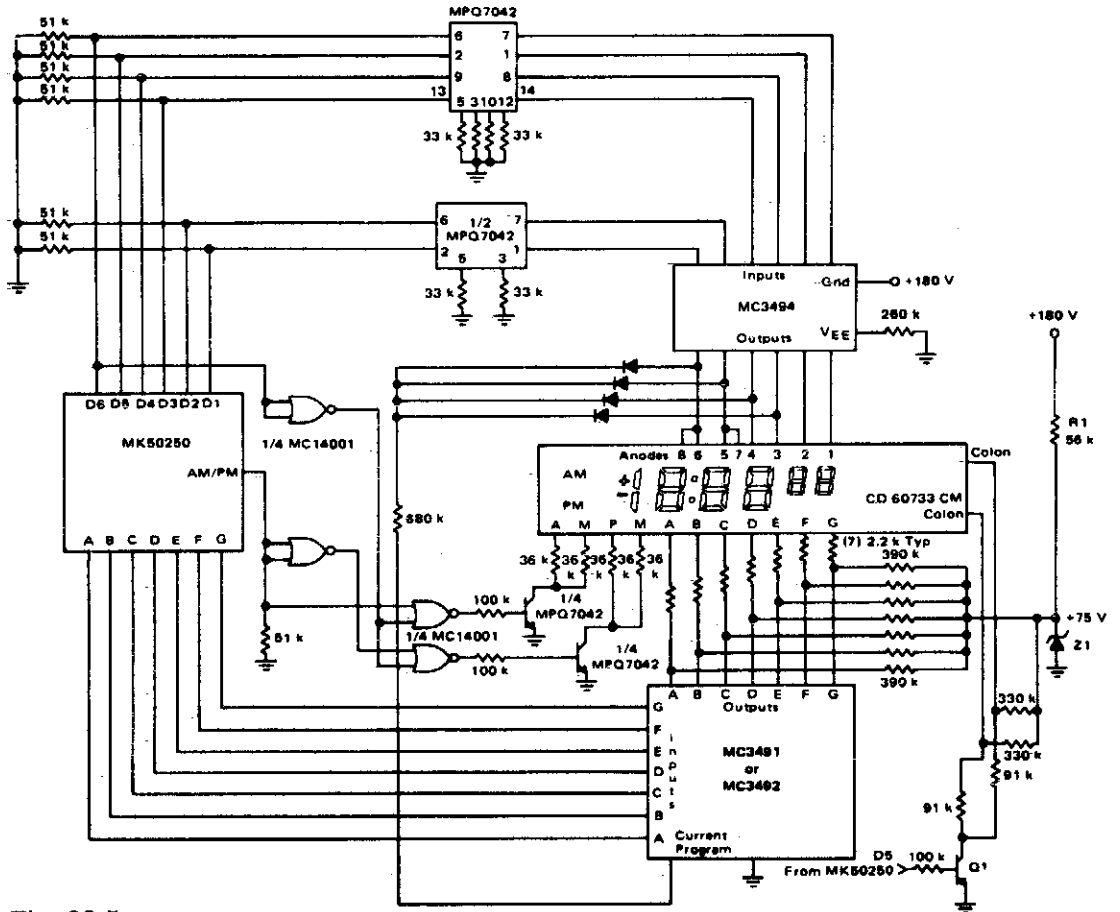


Fig. 28-5

## PRECISION FREQUENCY COUNTER (~1 MHz MAXIMUM)

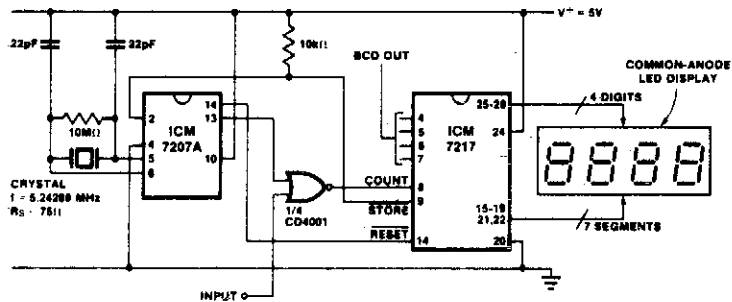
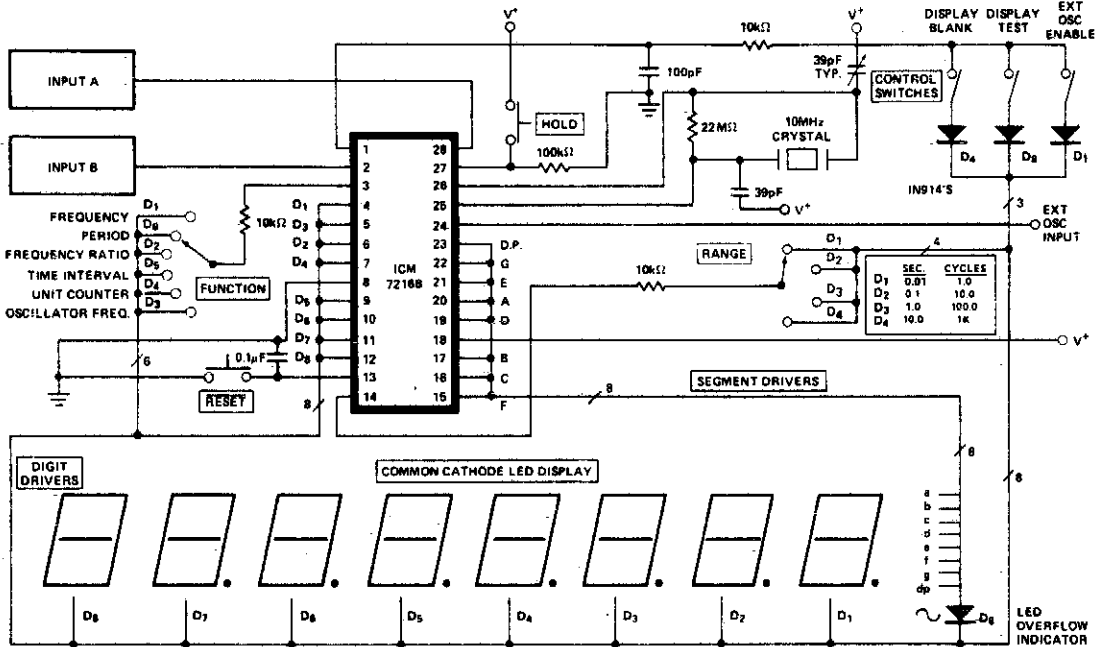


Fig. 28-6



## 10 MHz UNIVERSAL COUNTER



**Fig. 28-9**

### Circuit Notes

This is a minimum component complete Universal Counter. It can use input frequencies up to 10 MHz at INPUT A and 2 MHz at INPUT B. If the signal at INPUT A has a very low duty

cycle, it may be necessary to use a 74121 monostable multivibrator or similar circuit to stretch the input pulse width to be able to guarantee that it is at least 50 ns in duration.

# 29

## Dividers

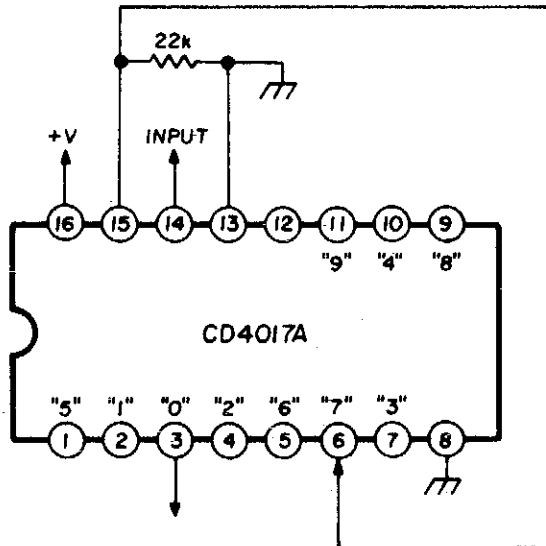
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CMOS Programmable Divide-by-N Counter  
Frequency Divider Chain  
Frequency Divider with Transient

Free Output  
Binary Divider Chain  
Decade Frequency Divider

### CMOS PROGRAMMABLE DIVIDE-BY-N COUNTER



#### Circuit Notes

A single connection change permits division by any integer between 2 and 10. The RCA CD4017A Johnson decade counter is shown connected as a divide by 7 counter. The resistor is used to hold the reset line low. When the appropriate number is reached, that output and the reset line are driven high, resetting the counter. To divide by other integers, pin 15 should be connected to the desired output. For example, pin 1 for a divide by 5, or pin 7 for a divide by 3. The output of the divider appears on the 0 line.

Fig. 29-1

### FREQUENCY DIVIDER CHAIN

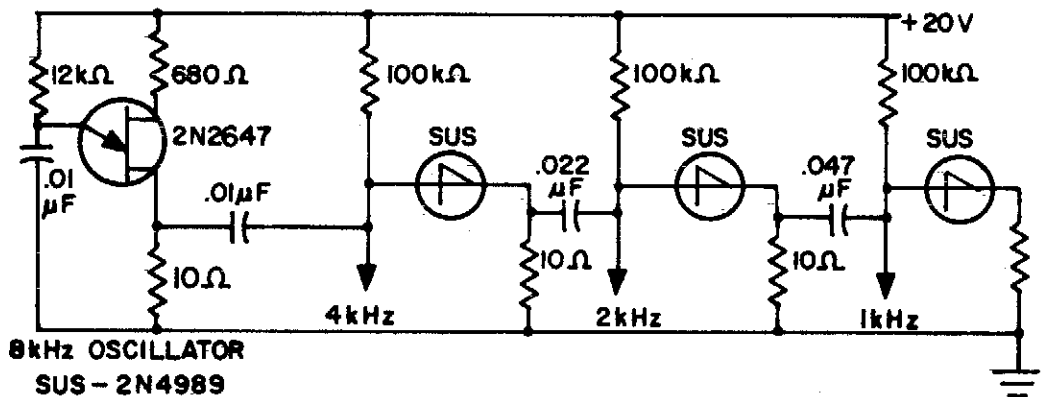


Fig. 29-2

#### Circuit Notes

Sawtooth output from each stage is one half frequency of preceding stage.



### DECADE FREQUENCY DIVIDER

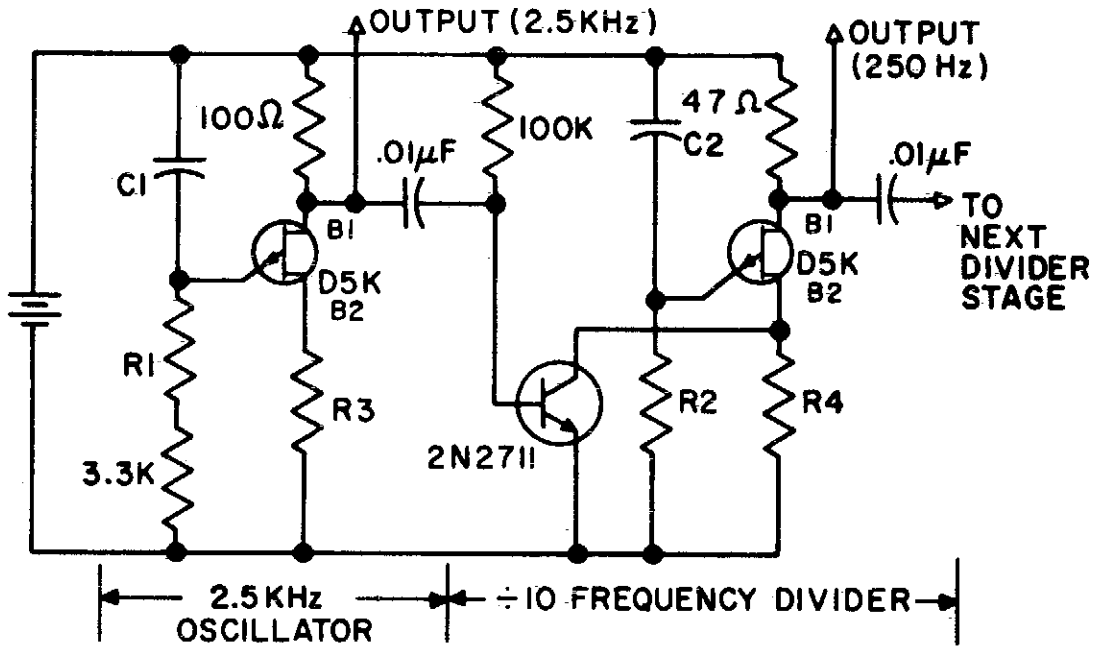


Fig. 29-5

#### Circuit Notes

In the next stage, the product of R2 and C2 should be  $10 \times$  that of the preceding stage ( $\pm 2\%$ ). R2 should be between 27K and 10 M.

C1 & C2— $.0047 \mu\text{F}$  ( $\pm 1\%$ )

R1—100K ( $\pm 1\%$ )

R2—1M ( $\pm 1\%$ )

R3—R4—1K (may need to be adjusted for variation of  $R_{BB}$  of UJT)

# 30

## Drivers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730 . The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Driver Circuits

50 Ohm Driver

Line Driver

High Speed Laser Diode Driver

Capacitive Load Driver

Relay Driver

Relay Driver

BIFET Cable Driver

High Speed Line Driver for Multiplexers

High Impedance Meter Driver

CRT Deflection Yoke

CRT Yoke Driver

Solenoid Driver

Coaxial Cable Driver

High Speed Shield/Line Driver

Relay Driver with Strobe

Direct Dc Drive Interface of a Triac



## DRIVER CIRCUITS

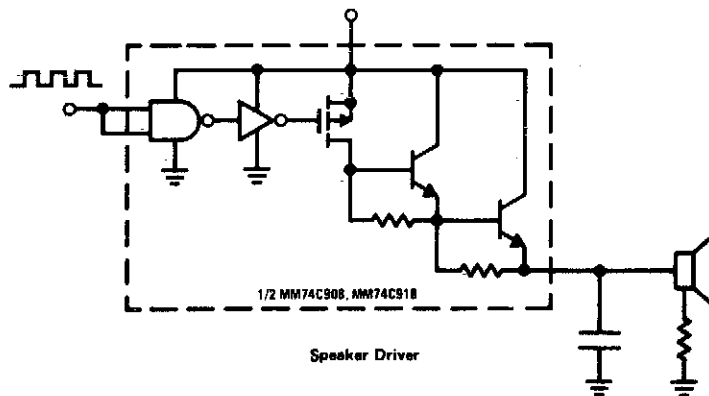
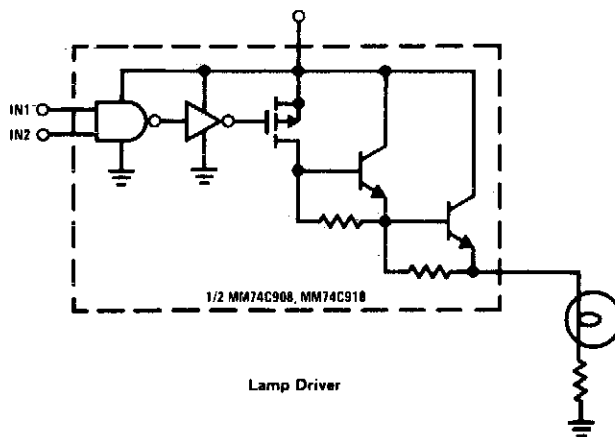
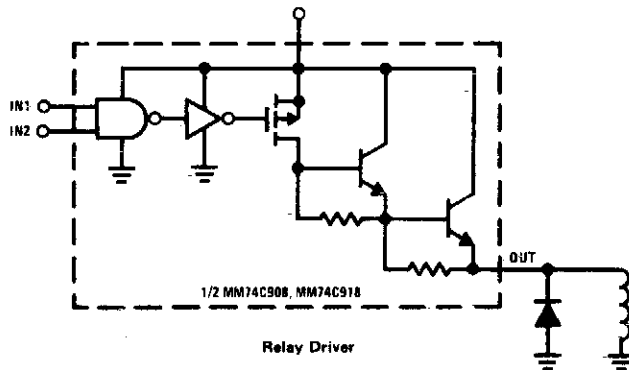
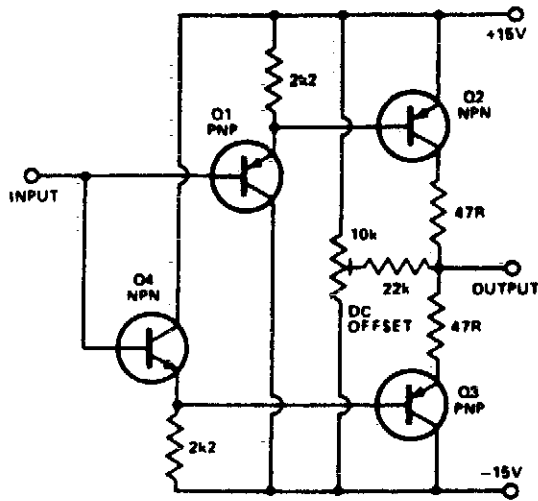


Fig. 30-1

### Circuit Notes

CMOS drivers for relays, lamps, speakers, etc., offers extremely low standby power. At  $V_{CC} = 15\text{ V}$ , power dissipation per package is typically  $750\text{ nW}$  when the outputs are not drawing current. Thus, the drivers can be sitting out on line (a telephone line, for example) drawing essentially zero current until activated.

### 50 OHM DRIVER

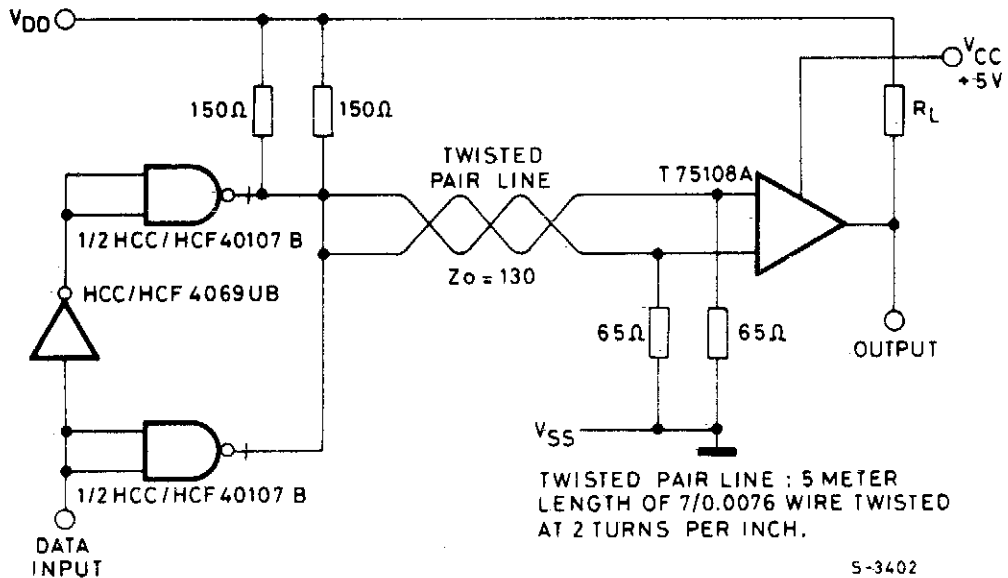


#### Circuit Notes

To buffer a test generator to the outside world requires an amplifier with sufficient bandwidth and power handling capability. The circuit is a very simple unity gain buffer. It has a fairly high input impedance, a 50 ohm output impedance, a wide bandwidth, and high slew rate. The circuit is simply two pairs of emitter followers. The base emitter voltages of Q1 and Q2 cancel out, and so do those of Q3 and Q4. The preset is used to zero out any small dc offsets due to mismatching in the transistors.

Fig. 30-2

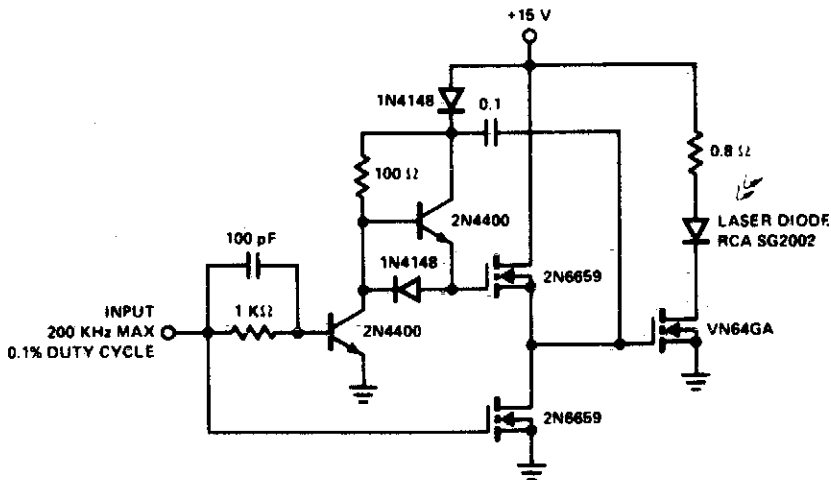
### LINE DRIVER



S-3402

Fig. 30-3

## HIGH-SPEED LASER DIODE DRIVER

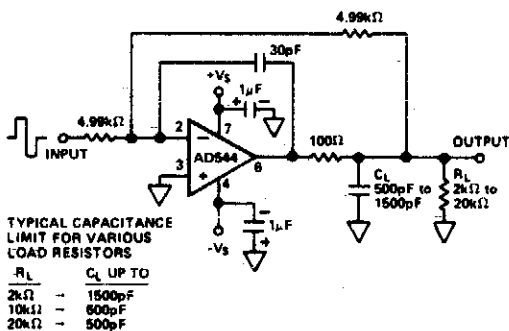


**Fig. 30-4**

### Circuit Notes

A faster driver can supply higher peak gate current to switch the VN64GA very quickly. The circuit uses a VMOS totempole stage to drive the high power switch.

## CAPACITIVE LOAD DRIVER



**Fig. 30-5**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit employs a 100 ohm isolation resistor which enables the amplifier to drive capacitive loads exceeding 500 pF; the resistor effectively isolates the high frequency feedback from the load and stabilizes the circuit. Low frequency feedback is returned to the amplifier summing junction via the low pass filter formed by the 100 ohm series resistor and the load capacitance,  $C_L$ .

### RELAY DRIVER

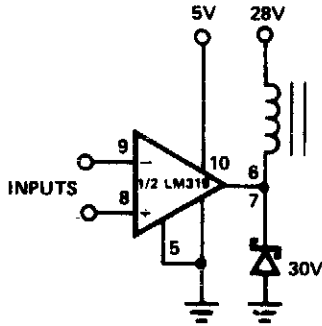
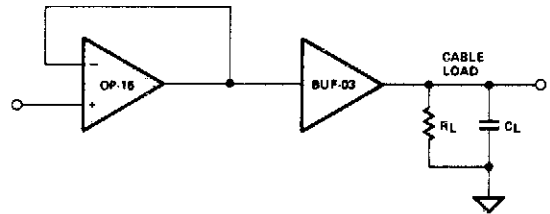


Fig. 30-6

### BIFET CABLE DRIVER



CAPACITIVE LOAD STABILITY OF BUF-03 MAKES IT AN IDEAL INTERFACE BETWEEN BIFET OP AMPS AND SHIELDED CABLES\*

NOTE: TO MAINTAIN ACCURACY IN THE BUFFER  $R_L > 1k\Omega$  IS RECOMMENDED.

Fig. 30-8

### RELAY DRIVER

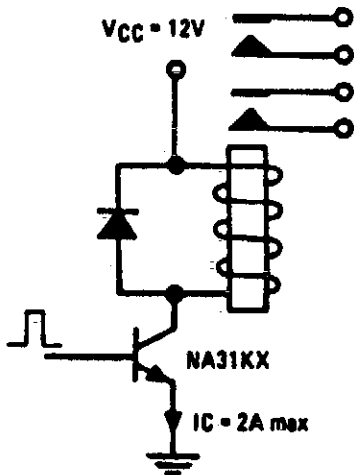
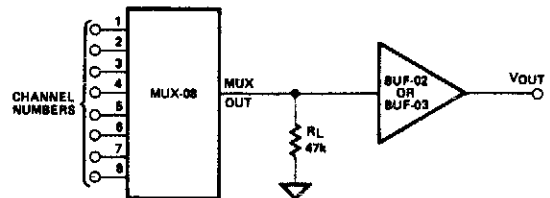


Fig. 30-7

### HIGH SPEED LINE DRIVER FOR MULTIPLEXERS



NOTE 1: STRAY CAPACITANCE AT MULTIPLEXER OUTPUT NODE SHOULD BE MINIMIZED TO REDUCE CHANNEL-TO-CHANNEL CROSSTALK.

NOTE 2: A BUFFER WHOSE SLEW RATE IS TOO SMALL WILL INCREASE CHANNEL-TO-CHANNEL CROSSTALK.

Fig. 30-9

### HIGH IMPEDANCE METER DRIVER

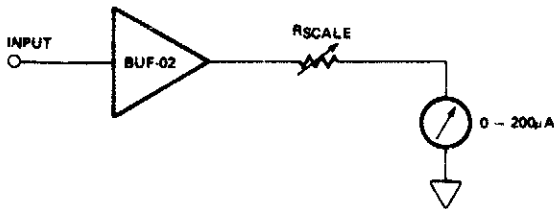


Fig. 30-10

### CRT YOKE DRIVER

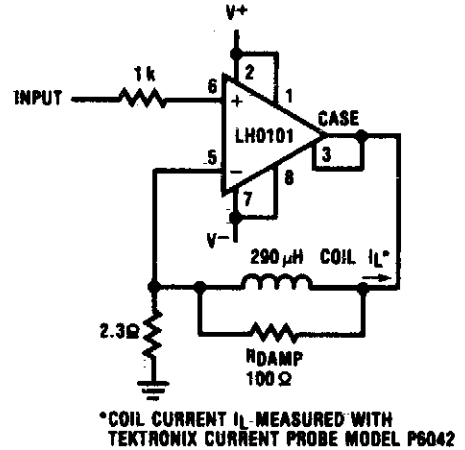


Fig. 30-12

#### Circuit Notes

A 500 mV peak-to-peak triangular waveform about ground is input to the amplifier, giving rise to a 100 mA peak current to the inductor.

### CRT DEFLECTION YOKE DRIVER

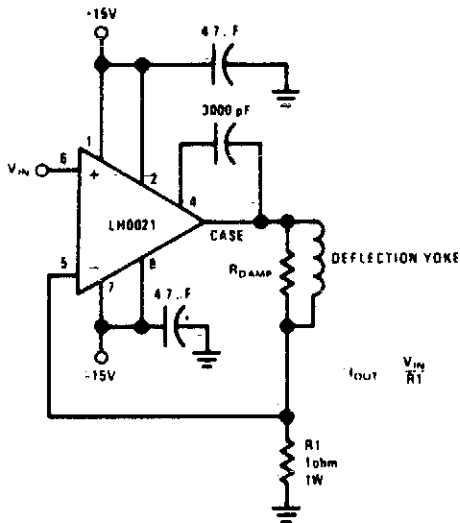


Fig. 30-11

### SOLENOID DRIVER

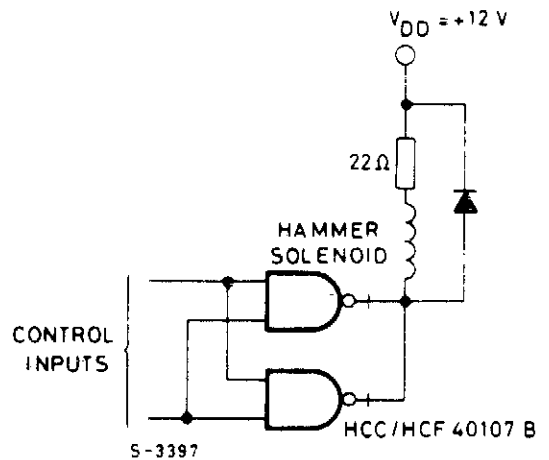


Fig. 30-13

### COAXIAL CABLE DRIVER

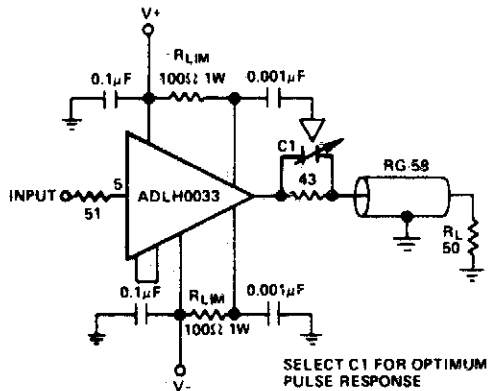
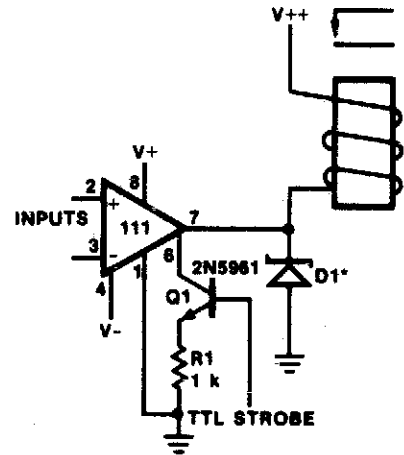


Fig. 30-14

### RELAY DRIVER WITH STROBE



\* Absorbs inductive kickback of relay and protects IC from severe voltage transients on  $V++$  line.

Fig. 30-16

### HIGH SPEED SHIELD/LINE DRIVER

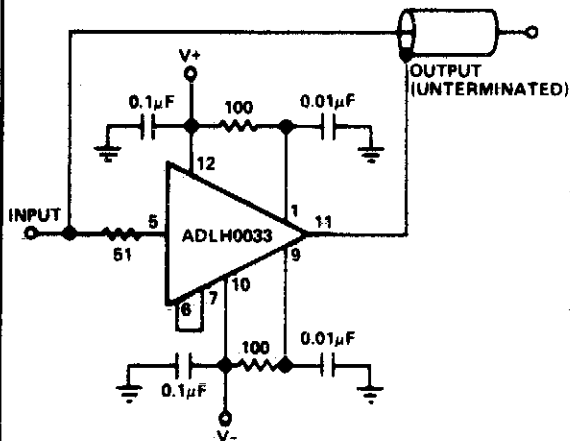


Fig. 30-15

### DIRECT DC DRIVE INTERFACE OF A TRIAC

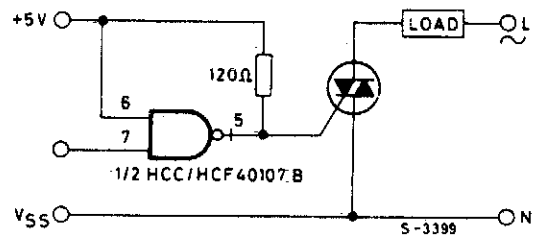


Fig. 30-17

# 31

## Fiber Optic Circuits

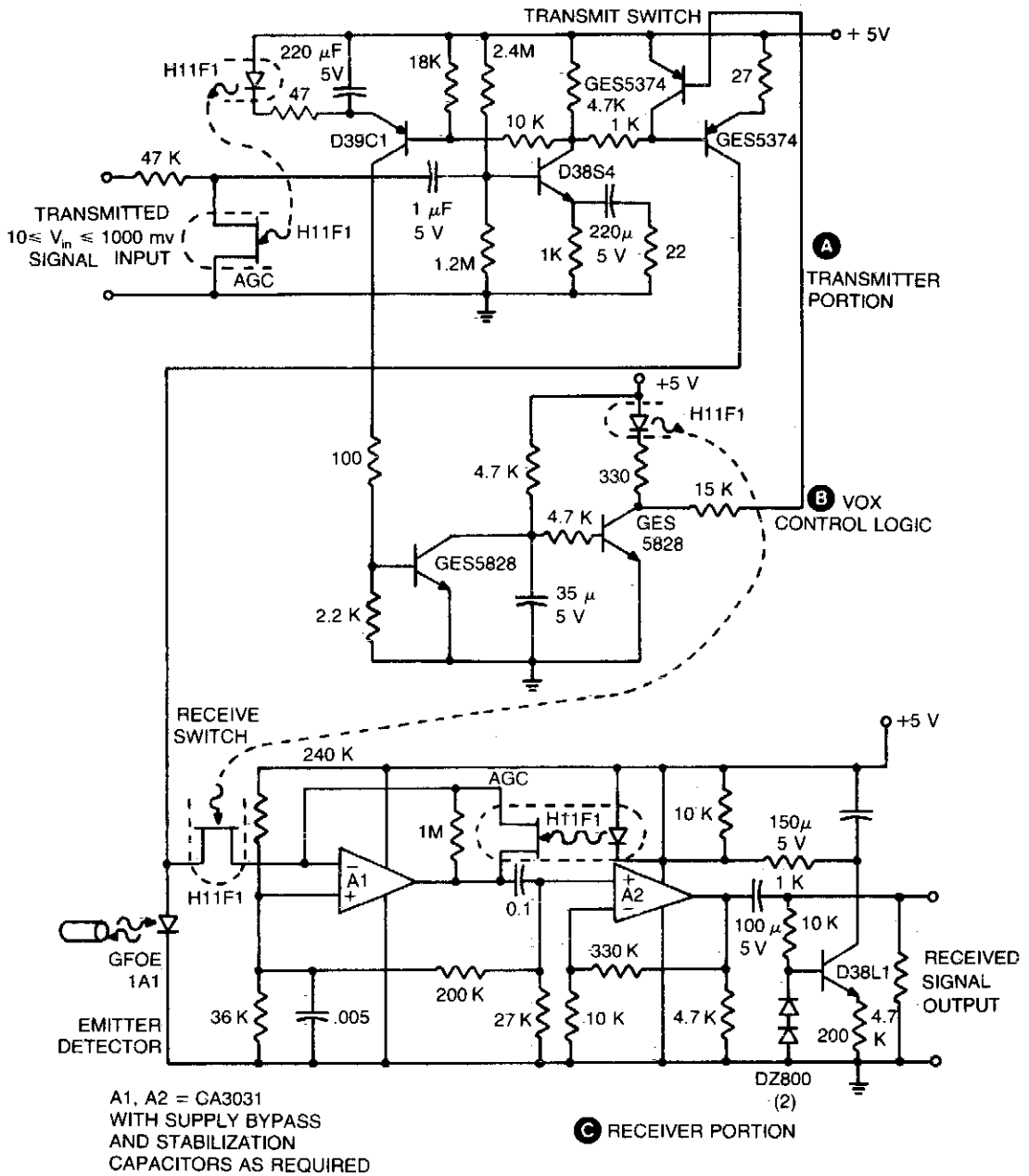
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Fiber-Optics Half Duplex Information Link  
Fiber-Optic Receiver, Very High Sensitivity, Low Speed, 3 nW  
Fiber-Optic Link

Fiber-Optic Link Repeater  
Fiber-Optic Receiver, High Sensitivity, 30 nW  
Fiber-Optic Receiver, Low Sensitivity, 300 nW

## FIBER-OPTICS HALF DUPLEX INFORMATION LINK



**Fig. 31-1**



### FIBER-OPTIC RECEIVER, VERY HIGH SENSITIVITY, LOW SPEED, 3nW

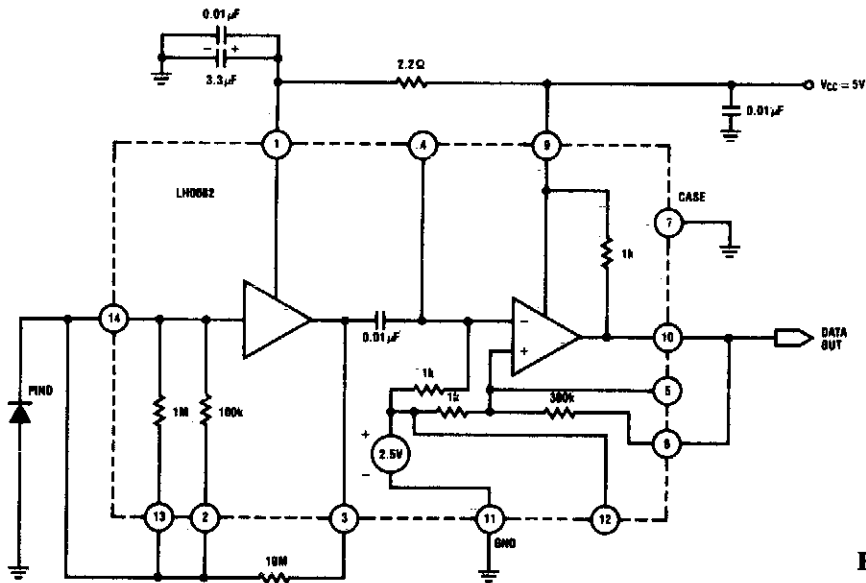


Fig. 31-2

### FIBER-OPTIC LINK

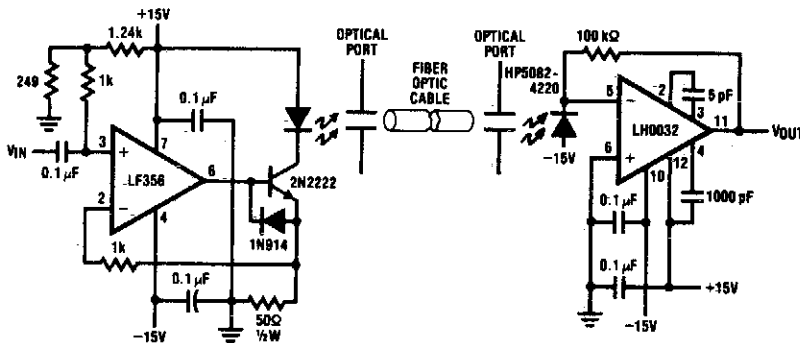


Fig. 31-3

#### Circuit Notes

Fiber Optic applications require analog drivers and receivers operating in the megahertz region. This complete analog transmission system is suitable for optical communication applications up to 3.5 MHz. The transmitter LED is normally biased at 50 mA operating current. The input is capacitively

coupled and ranges from 0 to 5 V, modulating the LED current from 0 to 100 mA. The receiver circuit is configured as a transimpedance amplifier. The photodiode with 0.5 amp per watt responsivity generates a 50 mV signal at the receiver output for 1 μW of light input.

### FIBER-OPTIC LINK REPEATER

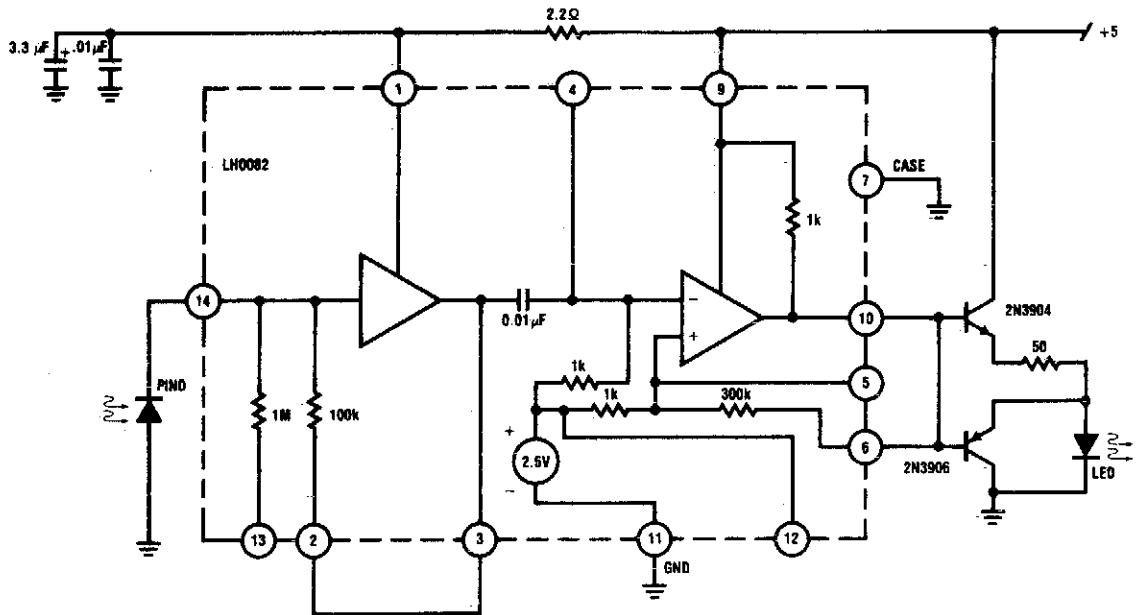


Fig. 31-4

### FIBER-OPTIC RECEIVER, HIGH SENSITIVITY, 30nW

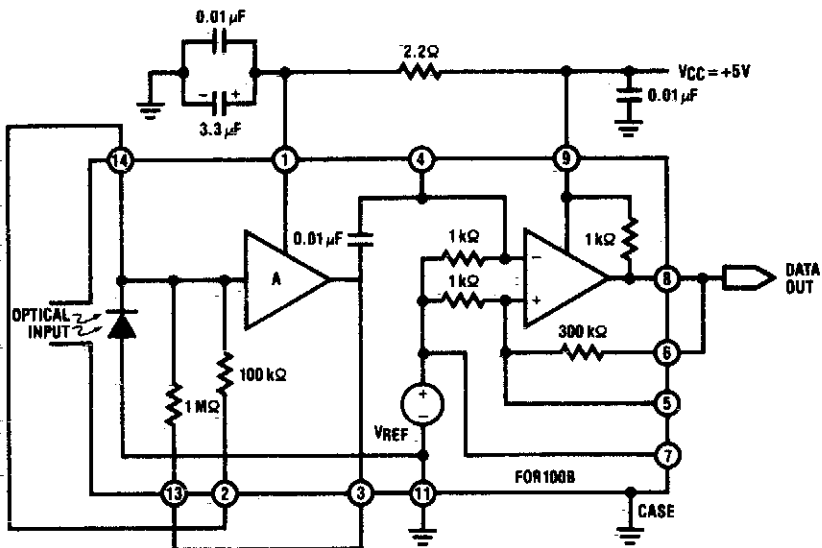


Fig. 31-5

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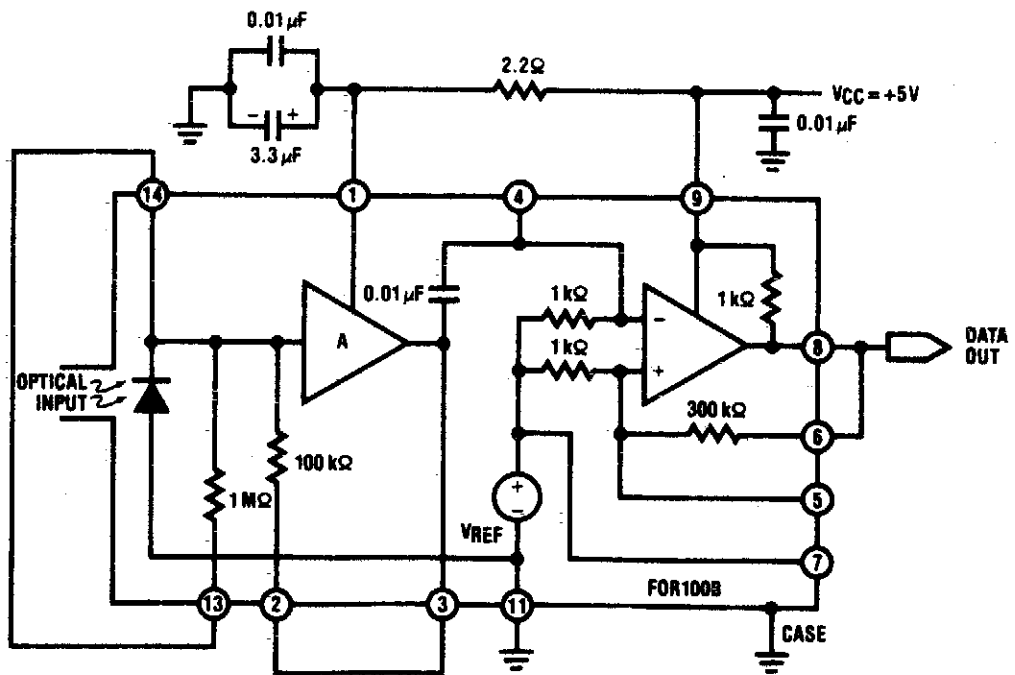


Fig. 31-6

# 32

## Field Strength Meters

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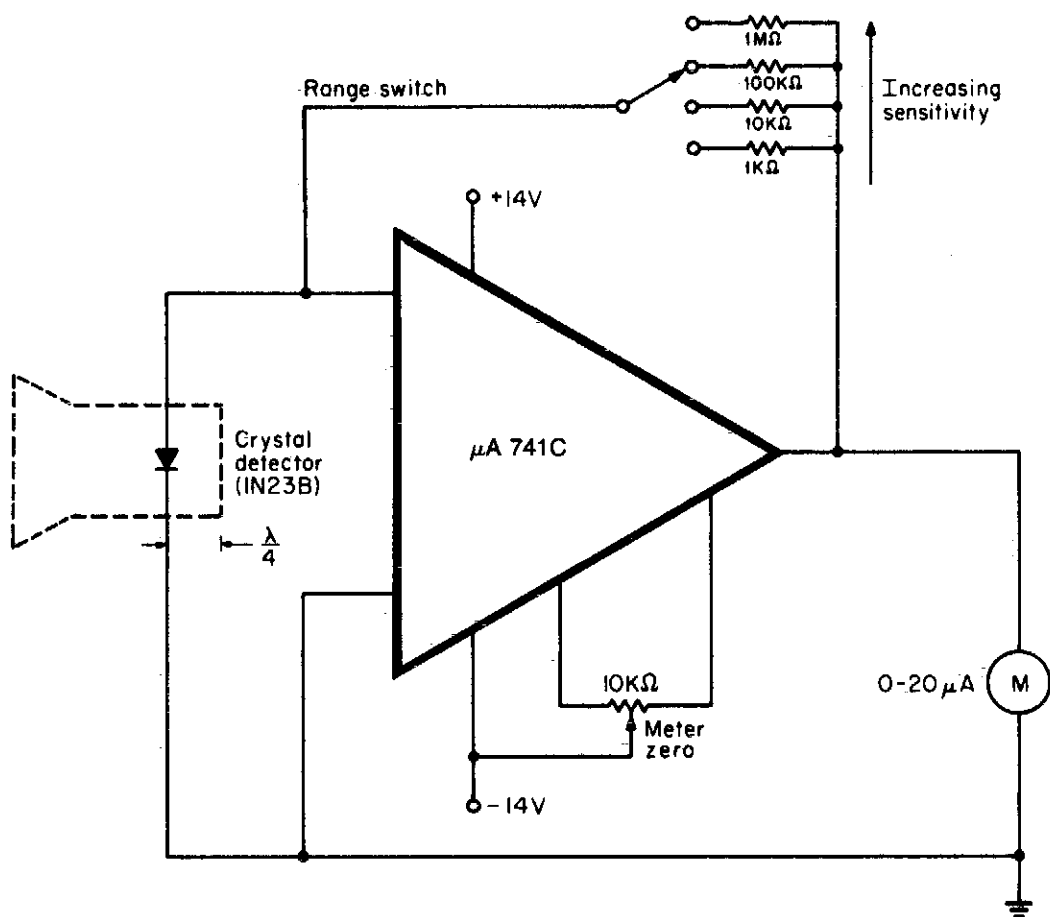
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Low Cost Microwave Field Strength Meter  
Sensitive Field-Strength Meter  
Adjustable Sensitivity Field-Strength  
Indicator

Field Strength Meter – 1.5 to 150 MHz  
Simple Field Strength Meter  
Untuned Field Strength Meter  
Tuned Field Strength Meter

VOM Field Strength Meter

## LOW COST MICROWAVE FIELD STRENGTH METER



**Fig. 32-1**

### Circuit Notes

When operating, a waveguide directs energy onto a crystal detector. The diode shown is for X-band operation. The waveguide is a 1½ inch piece of plastic tubing with the ends flared. The plastic is coated with an electroless copper solution to provide a conducting surface. The dimensions are not critical. For

calibrated readings, the meter is placed in a known field or else compared to a calibrated meter. To operate the meter, point it away from the signal. Switch the meter to the desired range, and adjust the zero control for a 0 reading. Then point the waveguide at the signal, and read field strength directly.

### SENSITIVE FIELD-STRENGTH METER

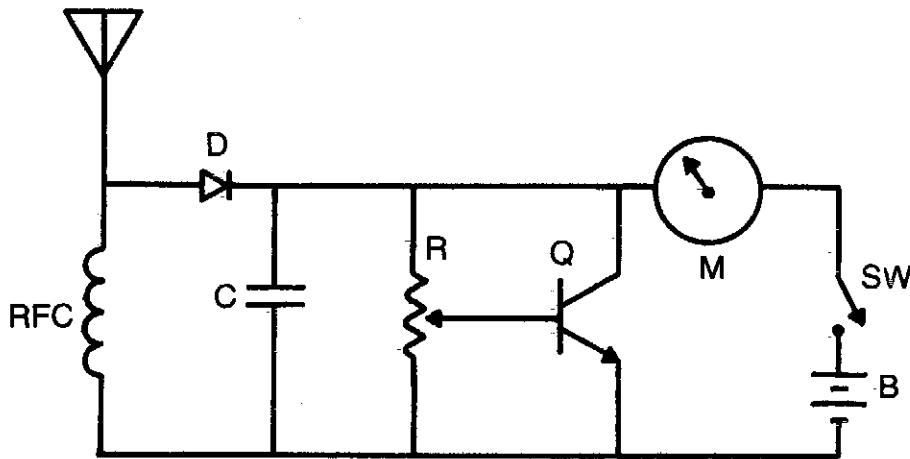


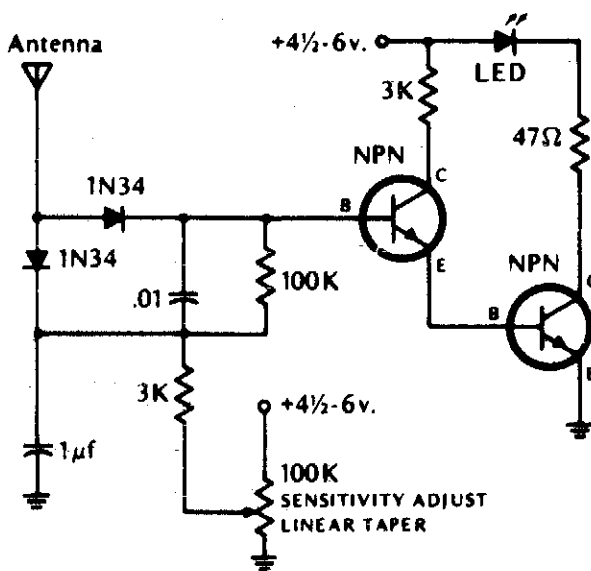
Fig. 32-2

#### Circuit Notes

Increased sensitivity gives field strength reading from low power transmitters. Operating range 3-30 MHz. To operate, adjust R for  $\frac{1}{3}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  scale reading. RFC = 2.5 mH choke, C =

1,000 pF, R = 50 K pot, M = 0 - 1 mA, D = 1N34 or 1N60 (Germanium), Q = NPN (RCASK3020, 2N3904 or equivalent).

### ADJUSTABLE-SENSITIVITY FIELD-STRENGTH INDICATOR



#### Circuit Notes

The LED lights if the rf field is higher than the pre-set field strength level. Diodes should be germanium. Transistors (NPN) = 2N2222, 2N3393, 2N3904 or equivalent.

Fig. 32-3

### FIELD STRENGTH METER – 1.5 to 150 MHz

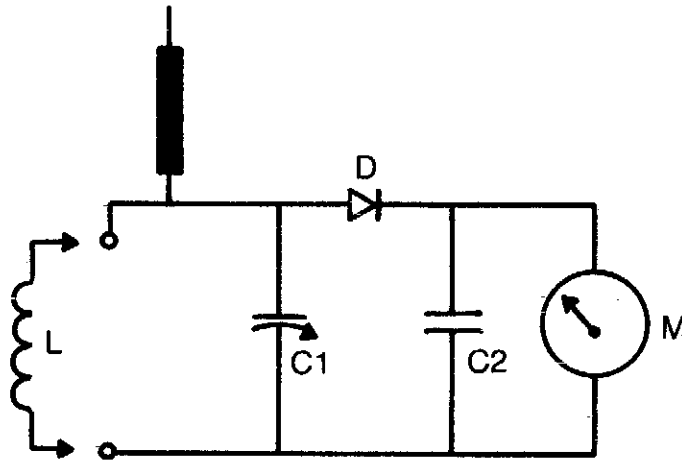


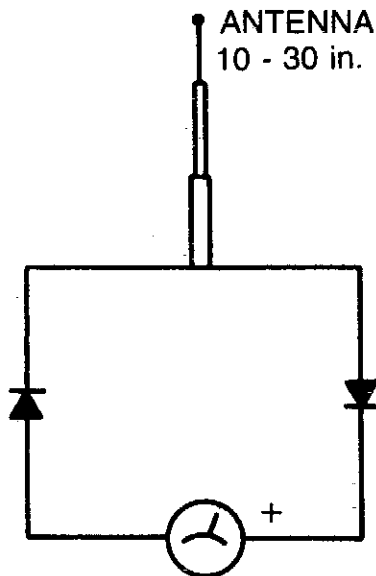
Fig. 32-4

#### Circuit Notes

The tuning range is determined by coil (L) dimensions and setting of C1. Coils can be plugged in for multirange use or soldered in place if only limited frequency range is of inter-

est. C1 = 36 pF variable, C2 = .0047 disc, D = 1N60 (germanium) and M = 0–1 mA meter. For increased sensitivity, use 50  $\mu$ A meter.

### SIMPLE FIELD STRENGTH METER

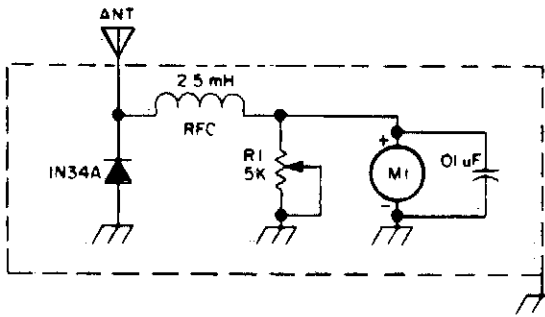


#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is frequency selective. It has been used from 2 meters through 160 meters. The telescoping antenna may be adjusted to its shortest length when working at 2 meters to keep the needle on the scale. Meter should be a 100 microamp to a 500 microamp movement. The diodes are germanium type, such as 1N34, etc. Silicon diodes will also work, but they are a bit less sensitive.

Fig. 32-5

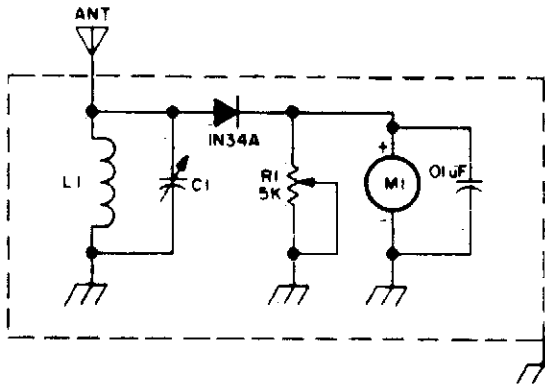
### UNTUNED FIELD STRENGTH METER



**Circuit Notes**  
Sensitivity is controlled by R1 and sensitivity of Meter M1.

Fig. 32-6

### TUNED FIELD STRENGTH METER



**Circuit Notes**  
Resonant combination of L1 and C1 are selected to cover frequencies desired.

Fig. 32-7

### VOM FIELD STRENGTH METER

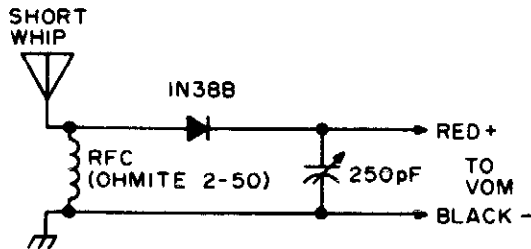


Fig. 32-8



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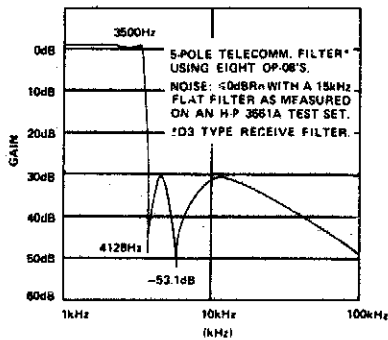
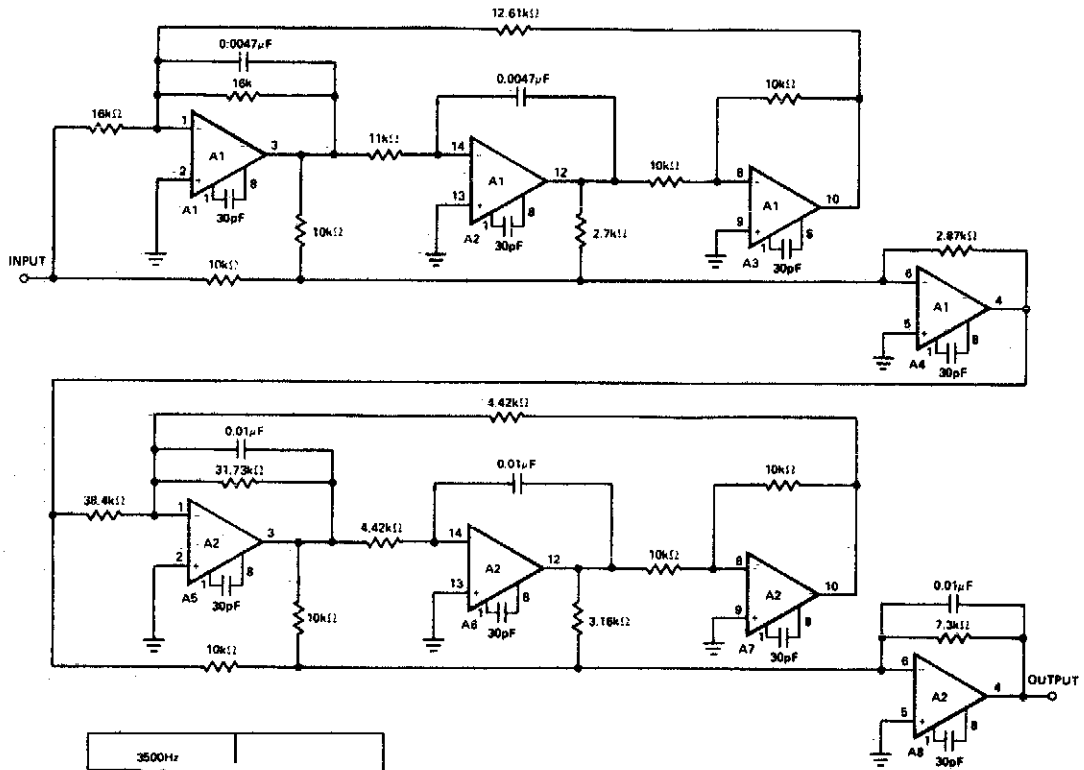
## Filters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- Five-Pole Active Filter
- Digitally Tuned Low Power Active Filter
- 10 kHz Sallen-Key Low-Pass Filter
- Fourth Order High-Pass Butterworth Filter
- Tunable Notch Filter to Suppress Hum
- Three Amplifier Notch Filter (or Elliptical Filter Building Block)
- Selectable Bandwidth Notch Filter
- 4.5 MHz Notch Filter
- High Q Notch Filter
- Rejection Filter
- Notch Filter Using the  $\mu\text{A} 4136$  as a Gyrator
- 1 kHz Bandpass Active Filter
- Bandpass Active Filter with 60 dB Gain
- Multiple Feedback Bandpass Filter
- Biquad RC Active Bandpass Filter
- 400 Hz Low-Pass Butterworth Active Filter
- Variable Bandwidth Bandpass Active Filter
- Low-Pass Filter
- High Q Bandpass Filter
- MFB Bandpass Filter for Multichannel Tone Decoder
- Sallen-Key Second Order Low-Pass Filter
- Three Amplifier Active Filter
- Bandpass State Variable Filter
- Universal State Variable Filter
- 500 Hz Sallen-Key Bandpass Filter
- Filter Networks
- Equal Component Sallen-Key Low-Pass Filter
- Biquad Filter
- Second Order State Variable Fitter (1 kHz,  $Q = 10$ )
- Biquad Filter
- Tunable Active Filter
- Active RC Filter for Frequencies up to 150 kHz
- Pole Active Low-Pass Filter (Butterworth Maximally Flat Response)
- Speech Filter (300 Hz .3 kHz Bandpass)
- 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz Bandpass Filter
- High-Pass Active Filter
- Second Order High-Pass Active Filter
- High Pass Filter (High Frequency)
- 160 Hz Bandpass Filter
- Multiple Feedback Bandpass Filter (1.0 kHz)
- 20 kHz Bandpass Active Filter
- Rumble Filter Using LM387
- Scratch Filter Using LM287

## FIVE-POLE ACTIVE FILTER



The above realization of a type D3 receive filter is accomplished using eight OP-08's. As can be seen from the response curve, the  $>30\text{dB}$  attenuation in the stop band requirement has been met. In addition, the noise performance of  $<0\text{dB RN}$  has been measured. One of the unique features of the OP-08 is its low supply current of  $600\mu\text{A}$  maximum. Thus the total supply drain for all eight op amps is only  $4.8\text{mA}$ .

**Fig. 33-1**

## DIGITALLY TUNED LOW POWER ACTIVE FILTER

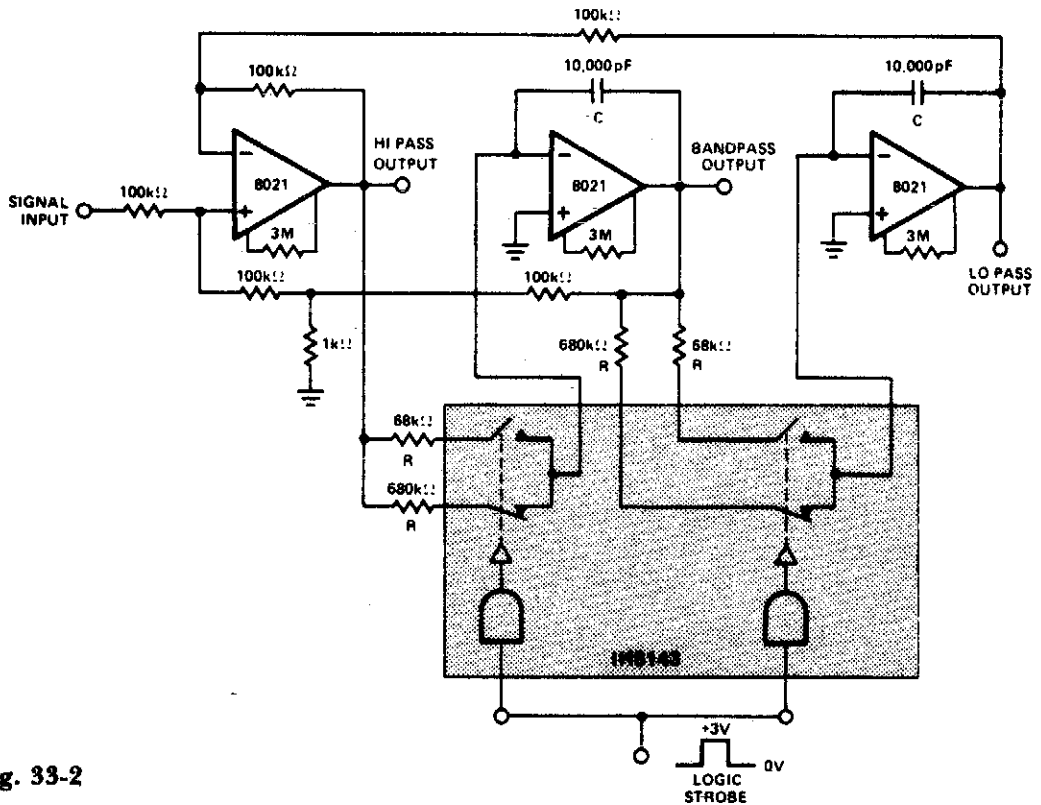


Fig. 33-2

### Circuit Notes

Constant gain, constant Q, variable frequency filter which provides simultaneous low-pass, bandpass, and high-pass outputs. With the component values shown, center fre-

quency will be 235 Hz and 23.5 Hz for high and low logic inputs respectively,  $Q = 100$ , and gain = 100.

$$f_h = \text{center frequency} = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

### 10 kHz Sallen-Key Low-Pass Filter

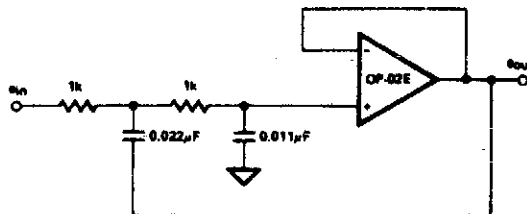
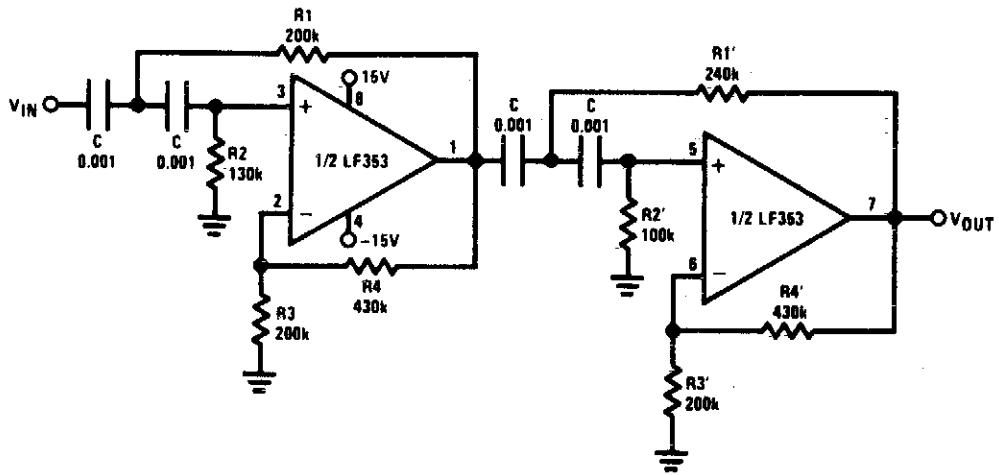


Fig. 33-3

### FOURTH ORDER HIGH-PASS BUTTERWORTH FILTER



- Corner frequency ( $f_c$ ) =  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{R_1 R_2 C^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{R_1' R_2' C^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi}$
- Passband gain ( $H_0$ ) =  $(1 + R_4/R_3)(1 + R_4'/R_3')$
- First stage  $Q = 1.31$
- Second stage  $Q = 0.541$
- Circuit shown uses closest 5% tolerance resistor values for a filter with a corner frequency of 1 kHz and a passband gain of 10

Fig. 33-4

### TUNABLE NOTCH FILTER TO SUPPRESS HUM

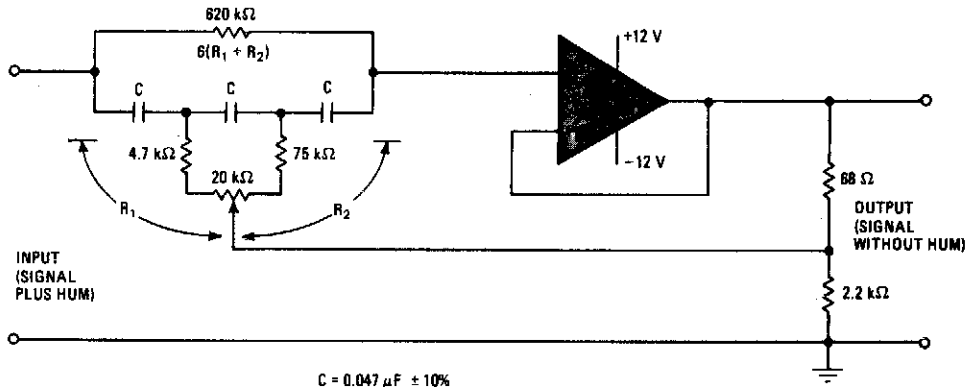


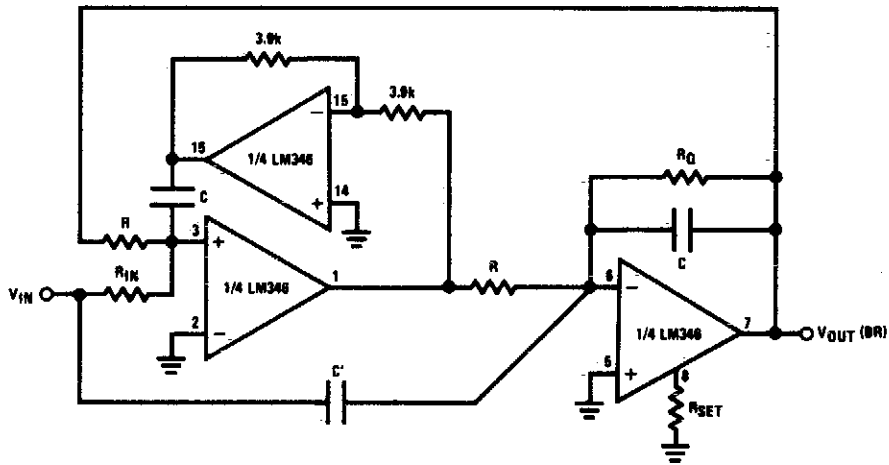
Fig. 33-5

#### Circuit Notes

This narrow-stop-band filter can be tuned by the pot to place the notch at any frequency from 45 to 90 Hz. It attenuates power-line hum

or other unwanted signals by at least 30 dB. Because the circuit uses wide-tolerance parts, it is inexpensive to build.

### THREE-AMPLIFIER NOTCH FILTER (OR ELLIPTIC FILTER BUILDING BLOCK)



Circuit Synthesis Equations

$$R \times C = \frac{0.159}{f_o} ; R_Q = Q_o \times R ; R_{IN} = \frac{0.159 \times f_o}{C' \times f_{notch}^2}$$

• For nothing but a notch output:  $R_{IN} = R, C' = C.$

$$H_o(BR) \Big|_{f \ll f_{notch}} = \frac{R}{R_{IN}} H_o(BR) \Big|_{f \gg f_{notch}} = \frac{C'}{C}$$

Fig. 33-6

### SELECTABLE BANDWIDTH NOTCH FILTER

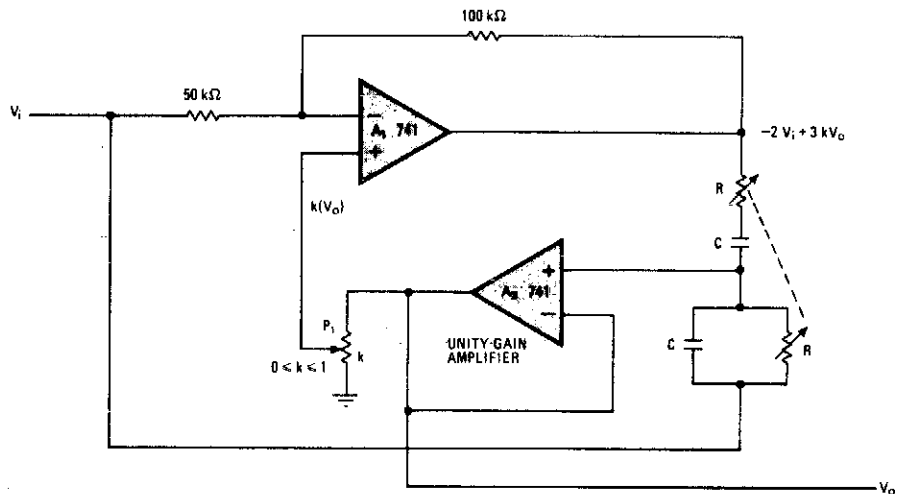


Fig. 33-7

#### Circuit Notes

This notch filter, which operates at up to 200 kHz, uses a modified Wien bridge to select bandwidth over which frequencies are re-

jected. RC components determine filter's center frequency, P<sub>1</sub> selects notch bandwidth. Notch depth is fixed at about 60 dB.

### 4.5 MHz NOTCH FILTER

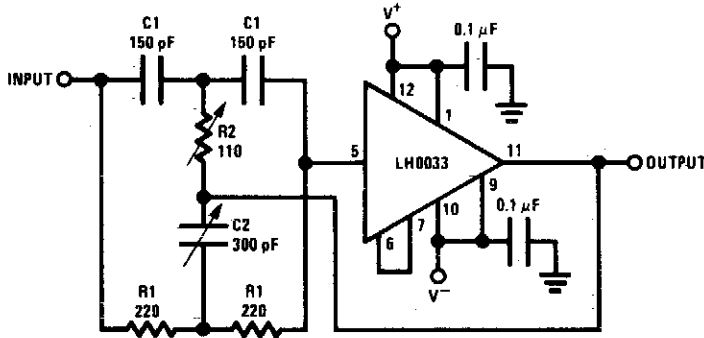


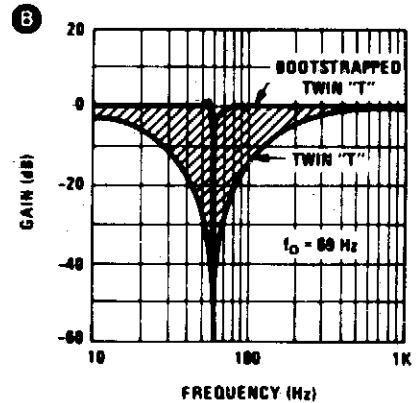
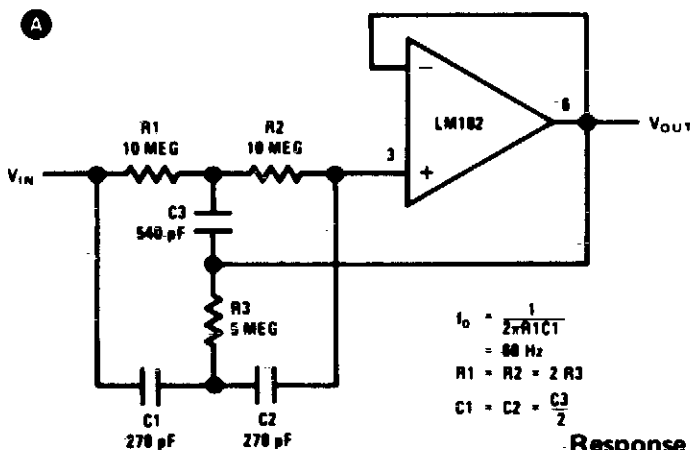
Fig. 33-8

#### Circuit Notes

Component value sensitivity is extremely critical, as are temperature coefficients and matching of the components. Best performance is attained when perfectly matched components are used and when the gain of the

amplifier is unity. To illustrate, the quality factor  $Q$  is very high as amplifier gain approaches 1 with all components matched (in fact, theoretically it approaches  $\infty$ ) but decreases to about 12.5 with the amplifier gain at 0.98.

### HIGH Q NOTCH FILTER



Response of High and Low Q Notch Filter

Fig. 33-9

#### Circuit Notes

A shows a twin-T network connected to an LM102 to form a high  $Q$ , 60 Hz notch filter. The junction of  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ , which is normally connected to ground, is bootstrapped to the output of the follower. Because the output of the follower is a very low impedance, neither the

depth nor the frequency of the notch change; however, the  $Q$  is raised in proportion to the amount of signal fed back to  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ . B shows the response of a normal twin-T and the response with the follower added.

### REJECTION FILTER

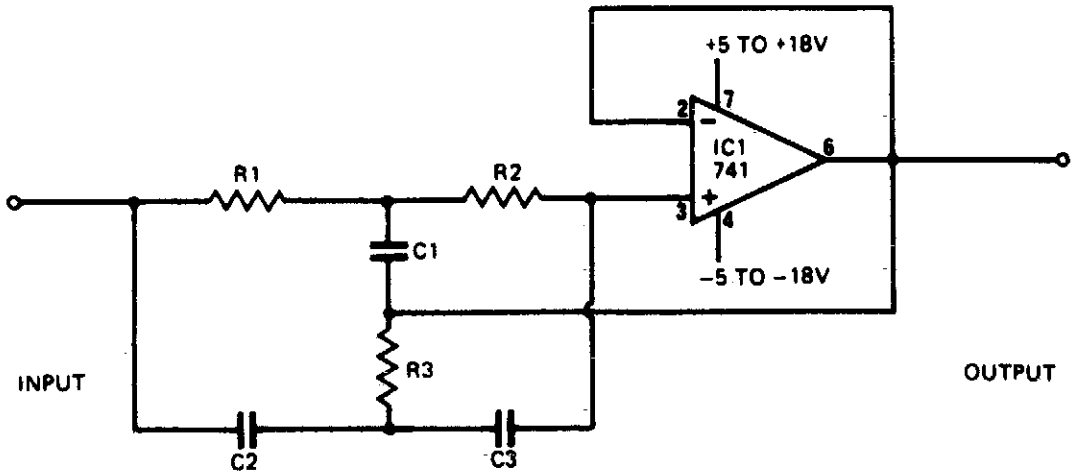


Fig. 33-10

#### Circuit Notes

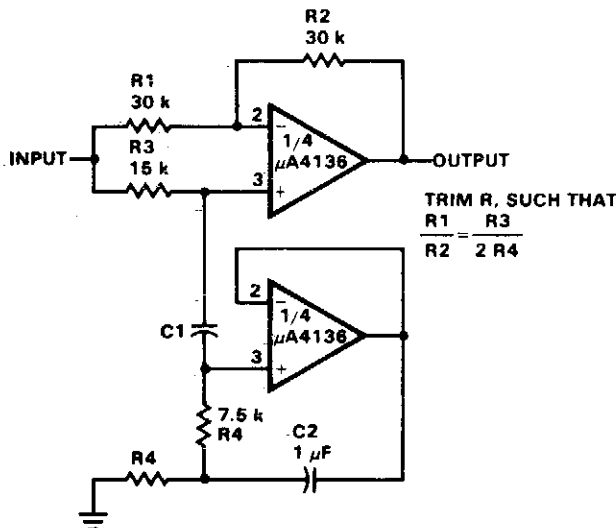
This narrowband filter using the 741 operational amplifier can provide up to 60 dB of rejection. With resistors equal to 100 K and capacitors equal to 320 pF, the circuit will reject 50 Hz. Frequencies within the range 1 Hz to 10 kHz may be rejected by selecting compo-

nents in accordance with the formula:

$$F = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

To obtain rejections better than 40 dB, resistors should be matched to 0.1% and capacitors to 1%.

### NOTCH FILTER USING THE $\mu$ A4136 AS A GYRATOR



#### Notch Frequency as a Function of C1

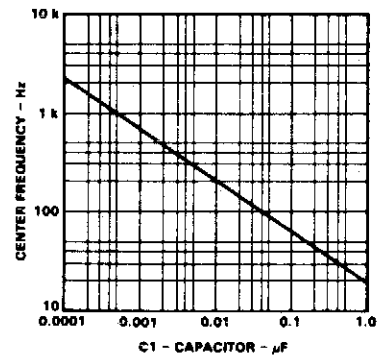


Fig. 33-11

### 1 kHz BANDPASS ACTIVE FILTER

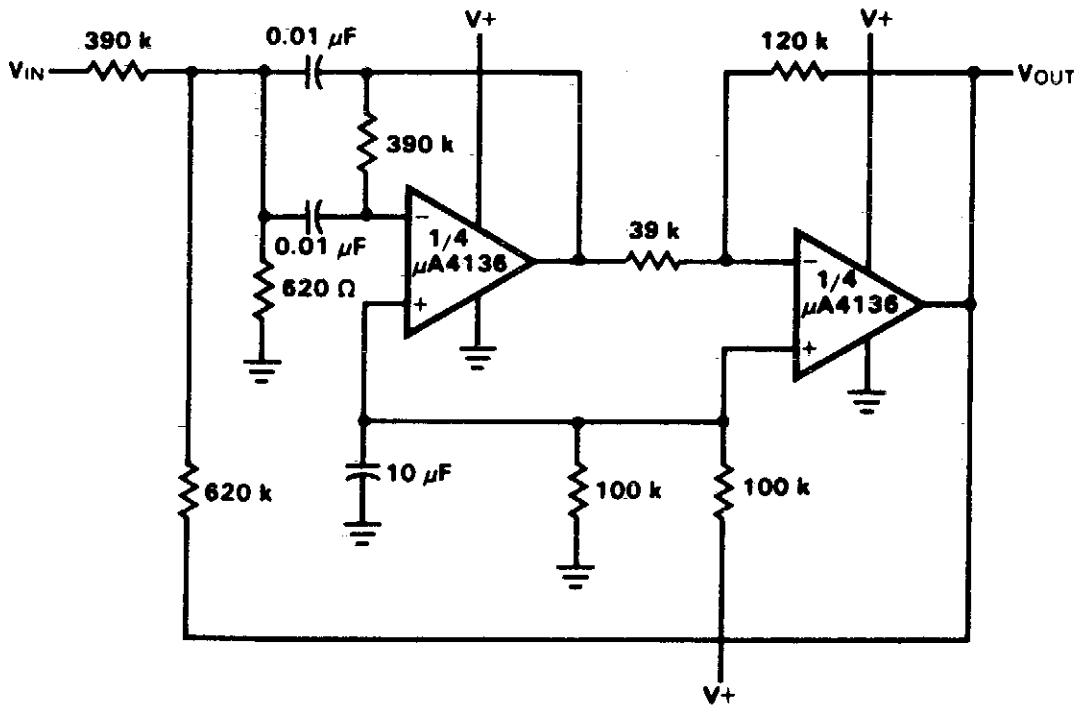
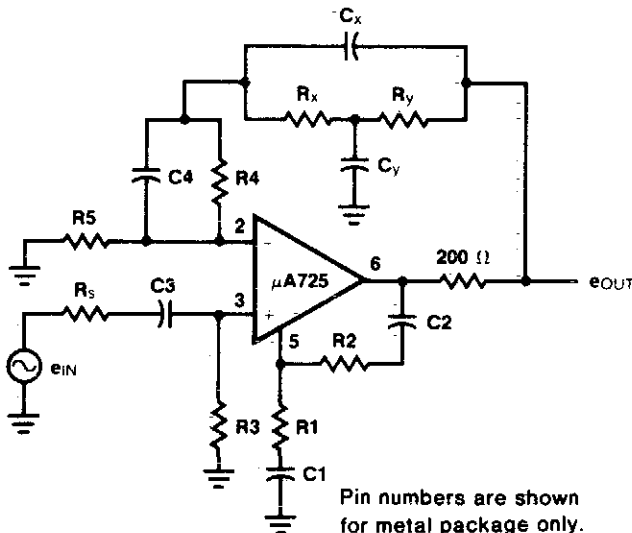


Fig. 33-12

### BANDPASS ACTIVE FILTER WITH 60 dB GAIN



Pin numbers are shown for metal package only.

### Active Filter Frequency Response

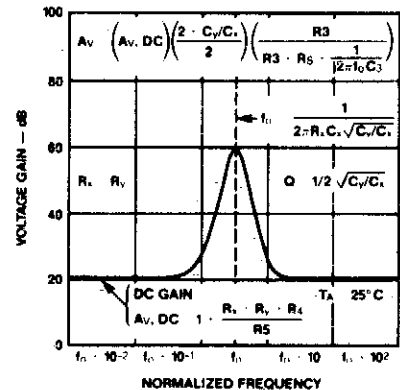
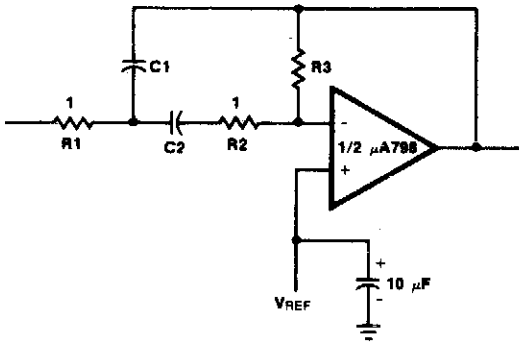


Fig. 33-13



### MULTIPLE FEEDBACK BANDPASS FILTER



$f_o = \Delta$  = center frequency

$BW = \Delta$  = Bandwidth

R in k $\Omega$

C in  $\mu$ F

$$Q = \frac{f_o}{BW} < 10$$

$$C1 = C2 = \frac{Q}{3}$$

$R1 = R2 = 1$   
 $R3 = 9Q^2 - 1$  } Use scaling factors in these expressions

If source impedance is high or varies, filter may be preceded with voltage follower buffer to stabilize filter parameters.

Design example:

given:  $Q = 5$ ,  $f_o = 1$  kHz

Let  $R1 = R2 = 10$  k $\Omega$

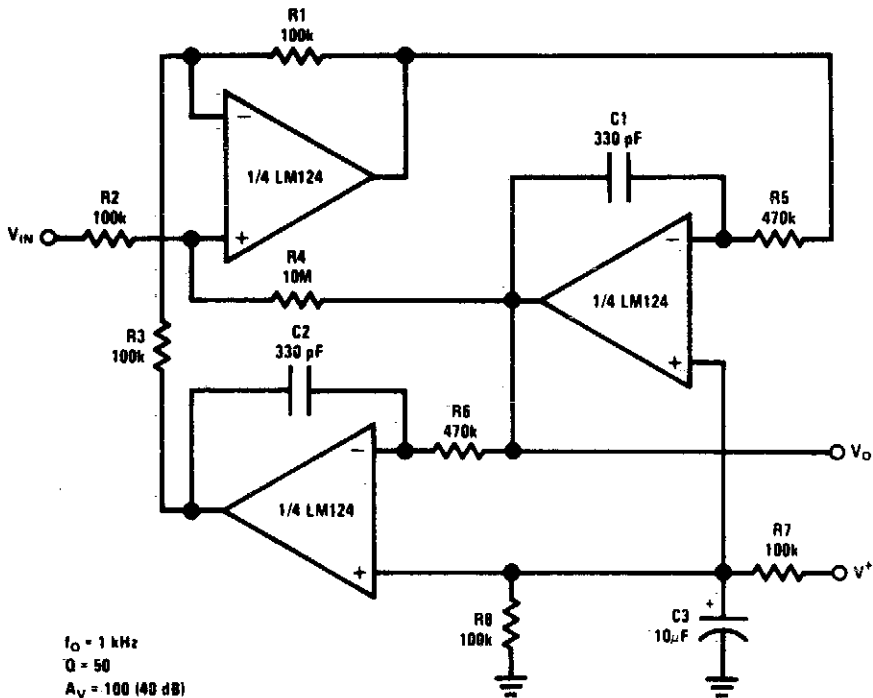
then  $R3 = 9(5)^2 - 10$

$R3 = 215$  k $\Omega$

$$C = \frac{5}{3} = 1.6$$
 nF

Fig. 33-14

### BIQUAD RC ACTIVE BANDPASS FILTER



$f_o = 1$  kHz  
 $Q = 50$   
 $A_v = 100$  (40 dB)

Fig. 33-15

### 400 Hz LOW-PASS BUTTERWORTH ACTIVE FILTER

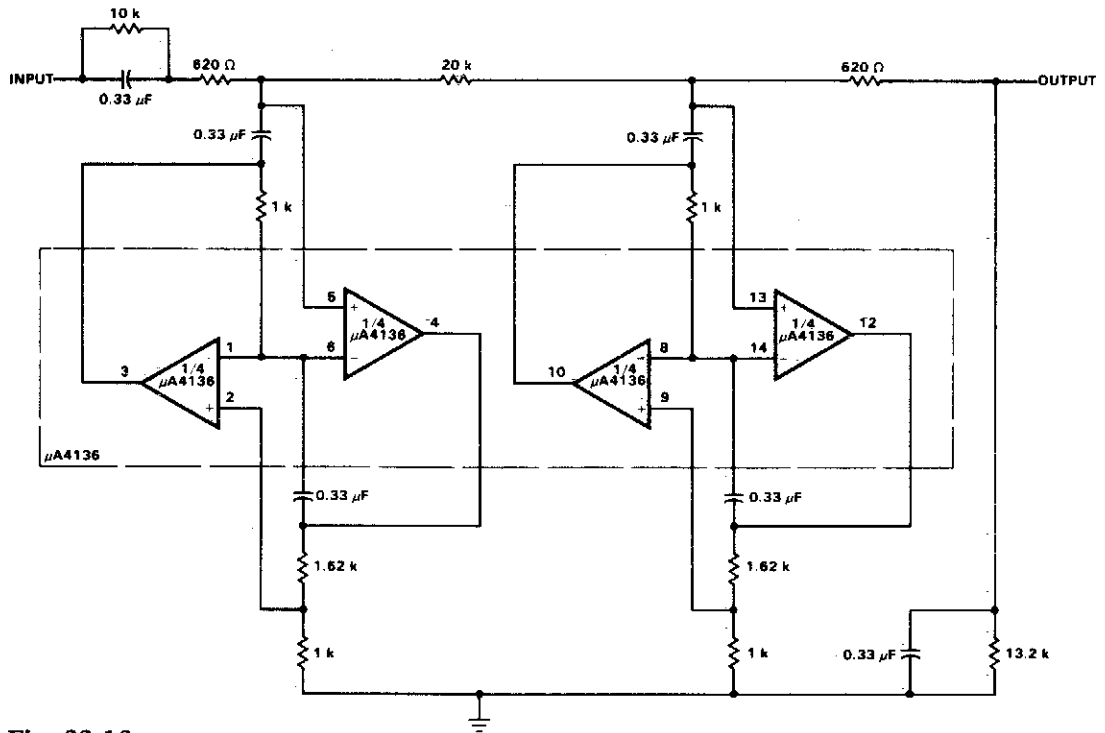


Fig. 33-16

### VARIABLE BANDWIDTH BANDPASS ACTIVE FILTER

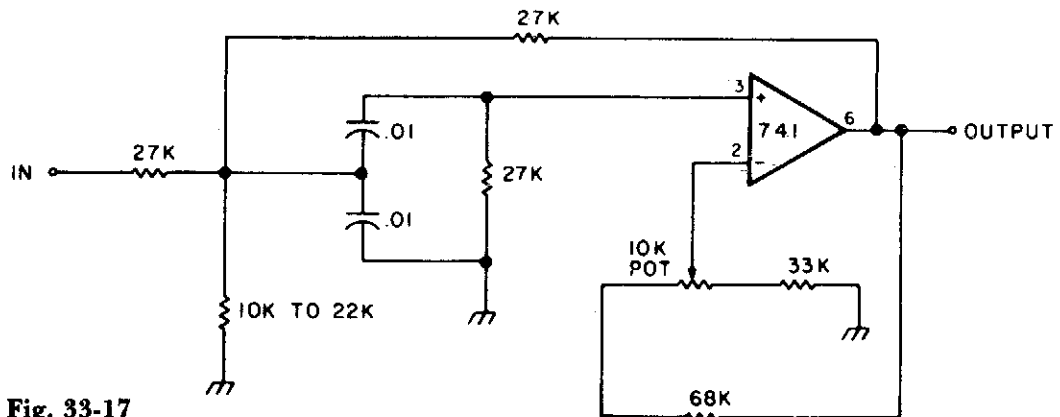


Fig. 33-17

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has adjustable bandwidth with values for a center frequency of about 800 Hz. The 10-K pot adjusts bandwidth from approximately  $\pm 350$  Hz to  $\pm 140$  Hz at 3 dB down points.

### LOW-PASS FILTER

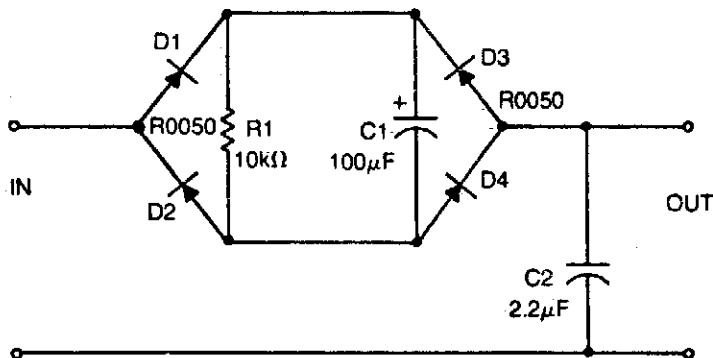


Fig. 33-18

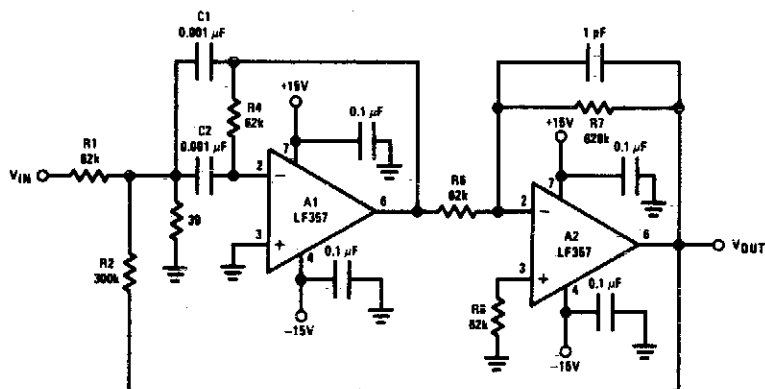
D1, D2, D3, D4—HEP R0050    C2—2.2μF  
 C1—100μF, 50V electrolytic    R1—10kΩ, 1/2W

### Circuit Notes

This nonlinear, passive filter circuit rejects ripple (or unwanted but fairly steady voltage) without appreciably affecting the rise time of a signal. The circuit works best when the signal level is considerably lower than the

unwanted ripple, provided the ripple level is fairly constant. The circuit has characteristics similar to two peak-detecting sample-and-hold circuits in tandem with a voltage averager.

### HIGH Q BANDPASS FILTER



- By adding positive feedback (R2) Q increases to 40
- $f_{BP} = 100 \text{ kHz}$

$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = 10\sqrt{Q}$$

- Clean layout recommended
- Response to a 1 Vp-p tone burst: 300 μs

Fig. 33-19

# MFB BANDPASS FILTER FOR MULTICHANNEL TONE DECODER

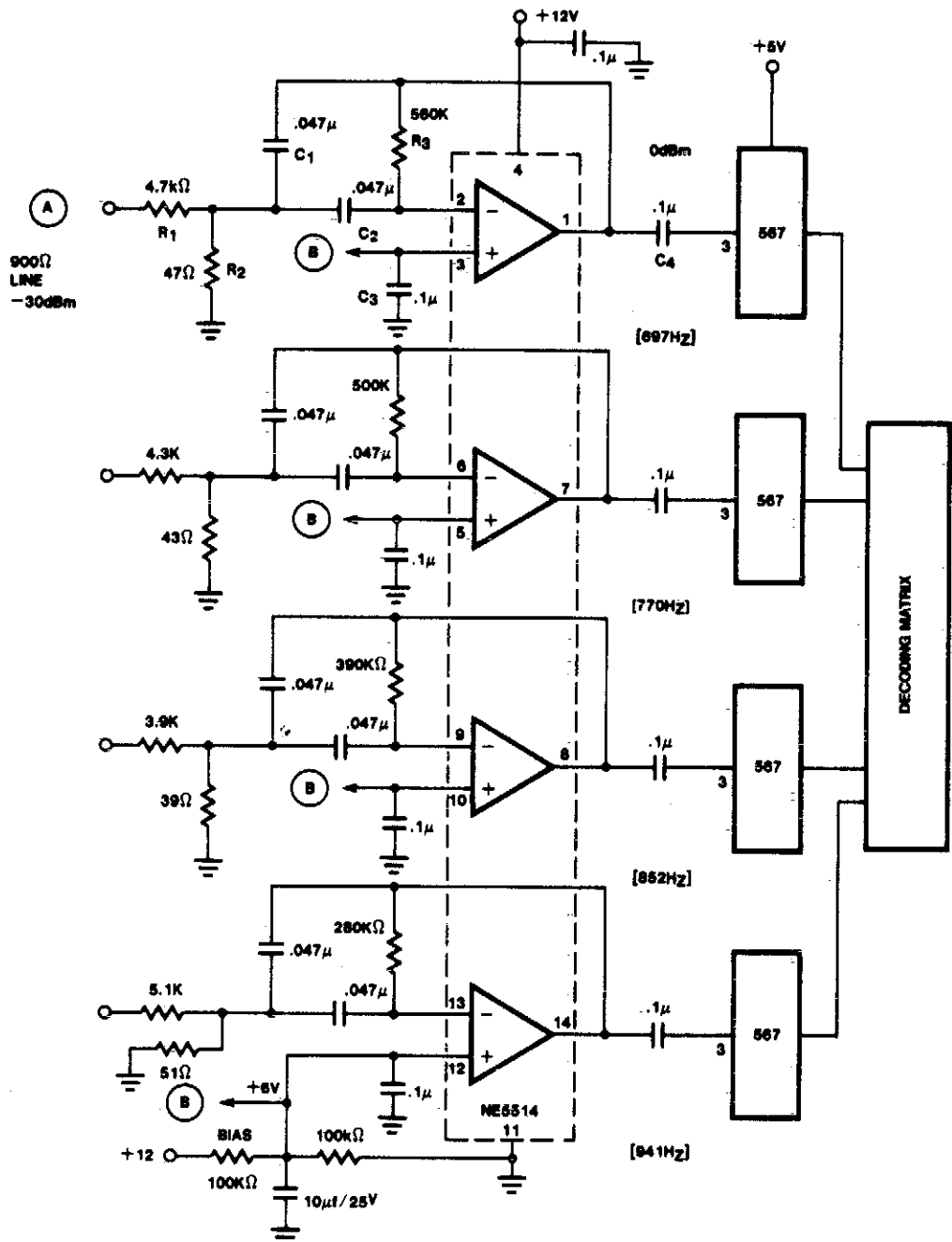
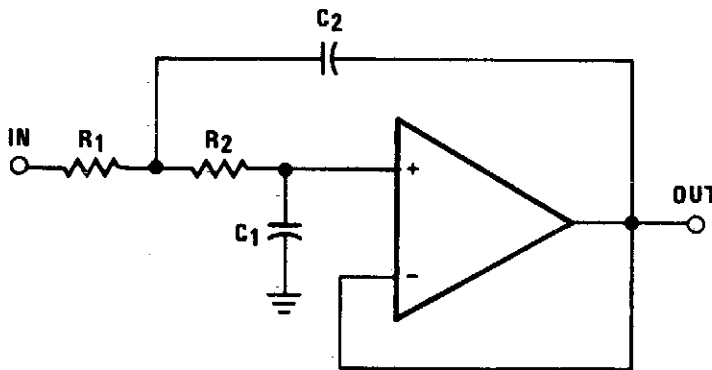


Fig. 33-20

### SALLEN-KEY SECOND ORDER LOW-PASS FILTER

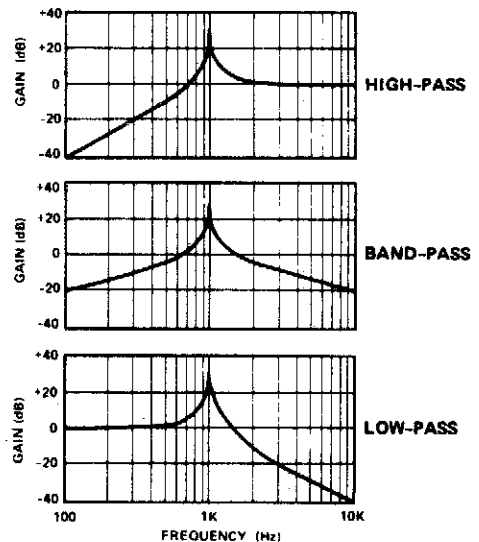
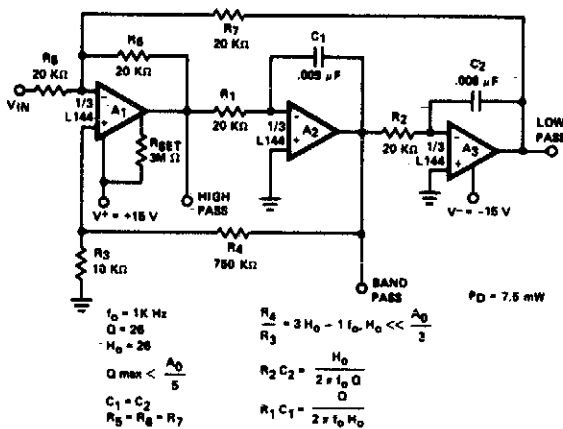


NOTES:

1. Make  $R_1 = R_2$
2.  $f_c = \frac{1}{2 R_1 \sqrt{C_1 C_2}}$
3.  $Q = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C_2}{C_1}}$

Fig. 33-21

### THREE AMPLIFIER ACTIVE FILTER



Bode plots of Active Filter Output

Fig. 33-22

#### Circuit Notes

The active filter is a state variable filter with bandpass, high-pass and low-pass outputs. It is a classical analog computer method of implementing a filter using three amplifiers and only two capacitors.

### BANDPASS STATE VARIABLE FILTER

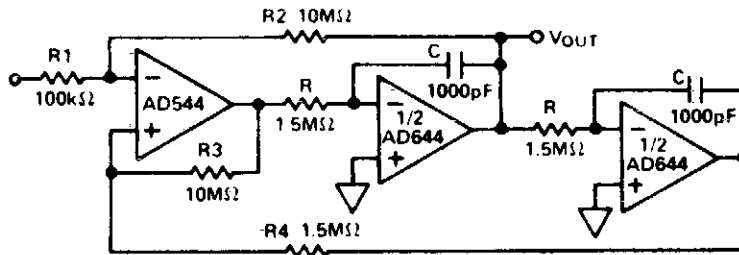
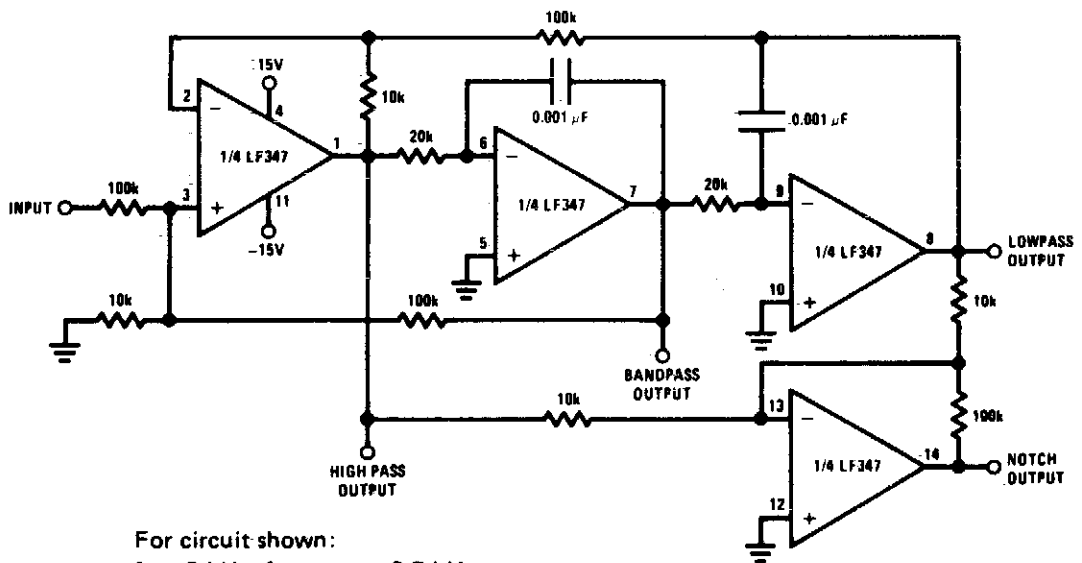


Fig. 33-23

$f_o = \text{CENTER FREQUENCY} = 1/2 \pi R C$        $Q_o$  IS ADJUSTABLE BY VARYING  $R_2$   
 $Q_o = \text{QUALITY FACTOR} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{2R_1}$        $f_o$  IS ADJUSTABLE BY VARYING  $R$  OR  $C$   
 $H_o = \text{GAIN AT RESONANCE} = R_2/R_1$   
 $R_3 = R_4 \approx 10^8/f_o$

### UNIVERSAL STATE VARIABLE FILTER



For circuit shown:  
 $f_o = 3 \text{ kHz}$ ,  $f_{\text{NOTCH}} = 9.5 \text{ kHz}$   
 $Q = 3.4$   
 Passband gain:  
 Highpass - 0.1  
 Bandpass - 1  
 Lowpass - 1  
 Notch - 10

- $f_o \times Q \leq 200 \text{ kHz}$
- 10V peak sinusoidal output swing without slew limiting to 200 kHz
- See LM348 data sheet for design equations

Fig. 33-24

### 500 Hz SALLEN-KEY BANDPASS FILTER

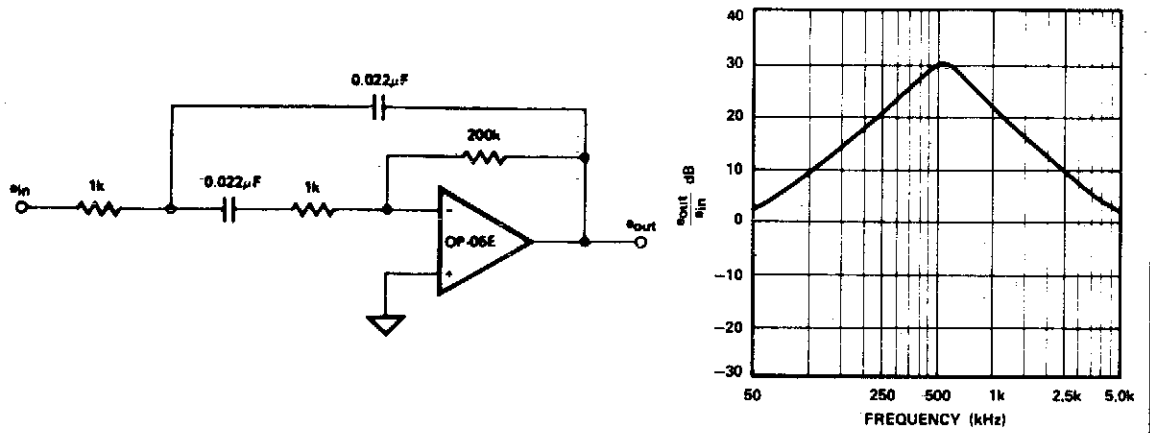
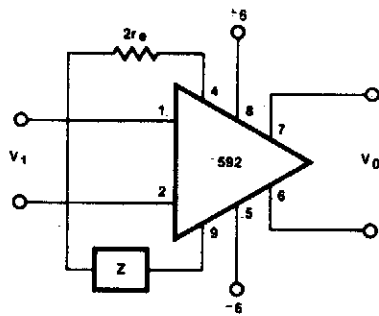


Fig. 33-25

### FILTER NETWORKS



$$\frac{V_0(s)}{V_1(s)} \approx \frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{Z(s) + 2r_e}$$

$$\approx \frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{Z(s) + 32}$$

BASIC CONFIGURATION

| Z NETWORK | FILTER TYPE | $V_0(s)$ TRANSFER<br>$V_1(s)$ FUNCTION  |
|-----------|-------------|---|
|           | LOW PASS    | $\frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{L} \left[ \frac{1}{s + R/L} \right]$                    |
|           | HIGH PASS   | $\frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{R} \left[ \frac{s}{s + 1/RC} \right]$                   |
|           | BAND PASS   | $\frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{L} \left[ \frac{s}{s^2 + R/L s + 1/LC} \right]$         |
|           | BAND REJECT | $\frac{1.4 \times 10^4}{R} \left[ \frac{s^2 + 1/LC}{s^2 + 1/LC + s/RC} \right]$ |

NOTE

In the networks above, the R value used is assumed to include  $2r_e$ , or approximately  $32\Omega$ .

Fig. 33-26

### EQUAL COMPONENT SALLEN-KEY LOW-PASS FILTER

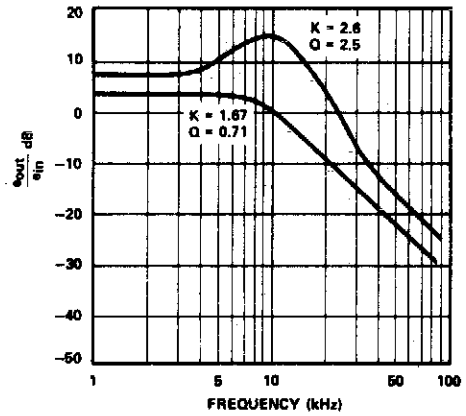
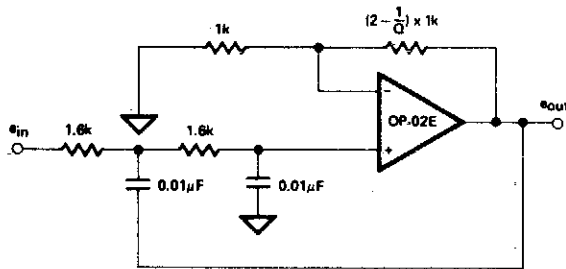


Fig. 33-27

Equal R, Equal C Sallen-Key Response

### BIQUAD FILTER

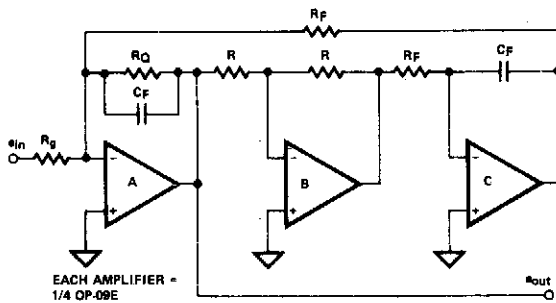


Fig. 33-28

#### Circuit Notes

The biquad filter, while appearing very similar to the state-variable filter, has a bandwidth that is fixed regardless of center frequency. This type of filter is useful in applications such as spectrum analyzers, which require a filter with a fixed bandwidth.



### SECOND ORDER STATE VARIABLE FILTER (1 kHz, Q = 10)

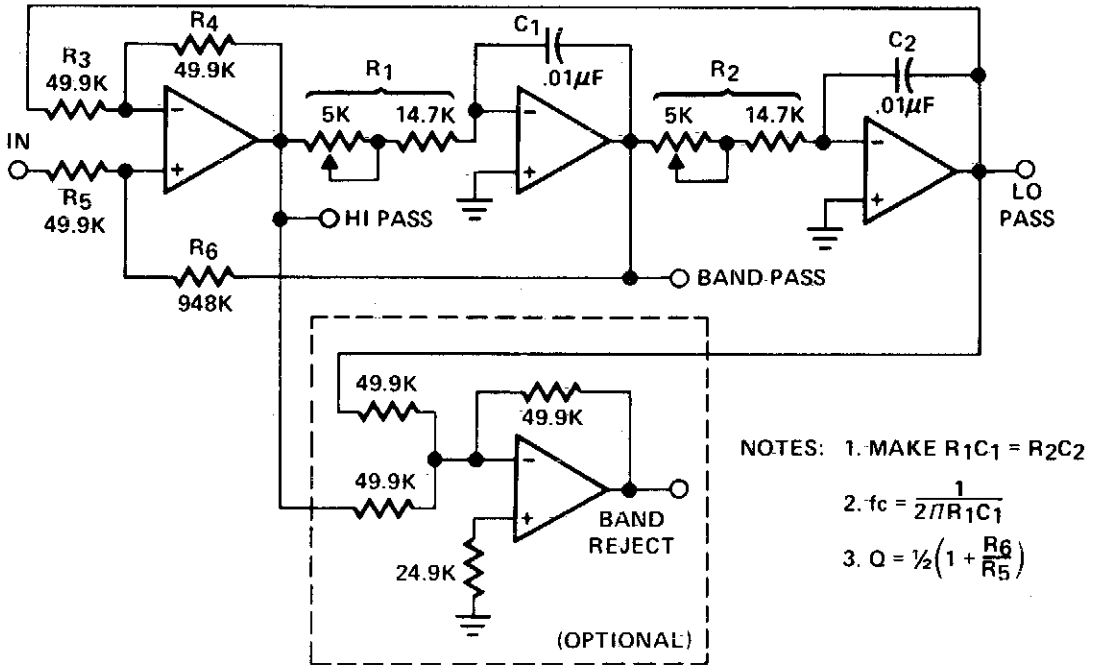


Fig. 33-29

### BIQUAD FILTER

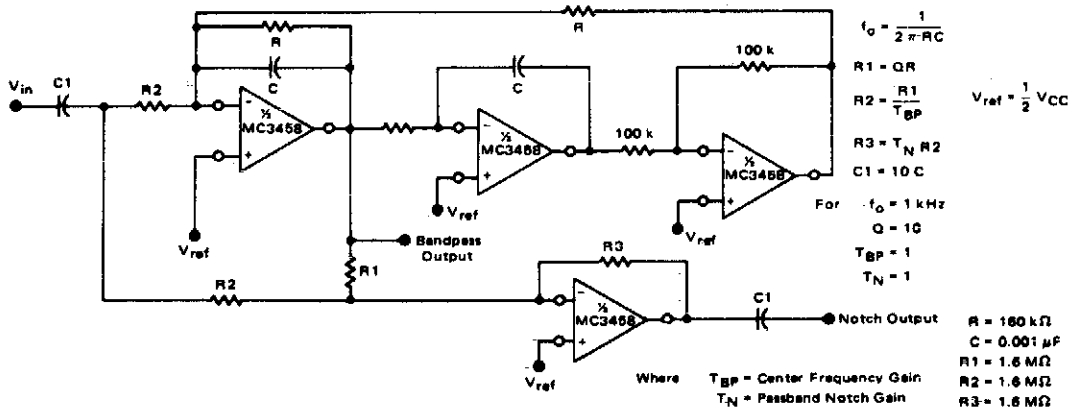


Fig. 33-30

### TUNABLE ACTIVE FILTER

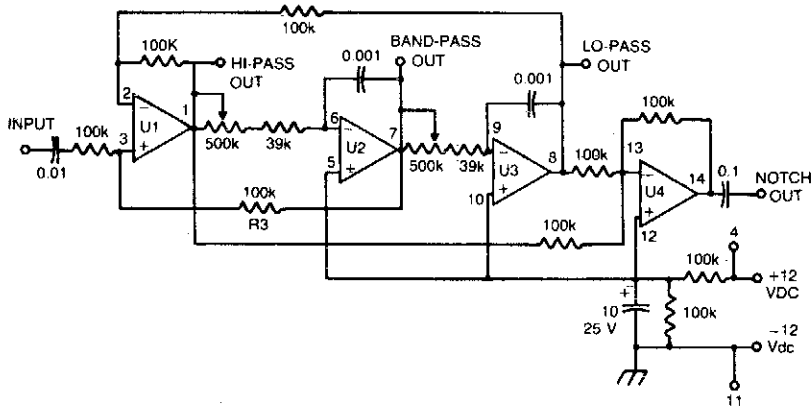


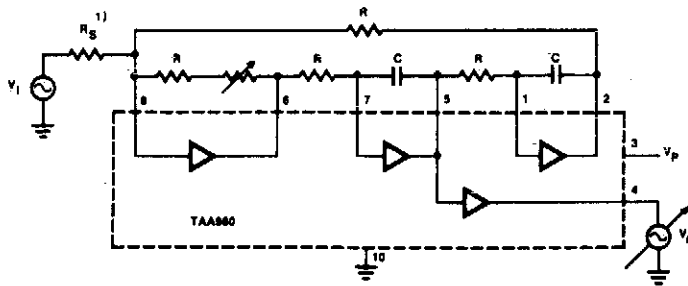
Fig. 33-31

#### Circuit Notes

The high-pass and low-pass outputs covering the range of 300 Hz to 3000 Hz have been summed in the fourth op amp to provide a notch

output. The potentiometers must have a reverse log taper. Fixed-frequency active filter center frequency is 1 kHz, with a Q of 50.

### ACTIVE RC FILTER FOR FREQUENCIES UP TO 150 kHz



R = 10kΩ

This frequency range can be extended to 200kHz if a feed forward capacitor is connected between pin 5 and 8.

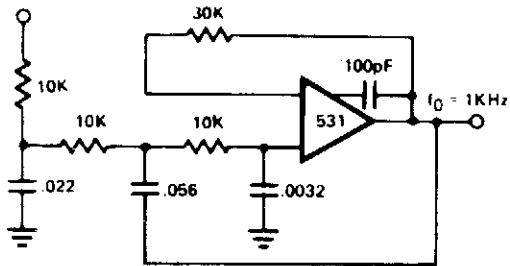
Fig. 33-32

| f                | Frequency                                   | $\frac{1}{2\pi RC}$ | V  |
|------------------|---|---------------------|----|
| V <sub>P</sub>   | Supply voltage                              | 6                   | V  |
| Q                | Filter performance at T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C | 40 to 55            |    |
| Q                | at T <sub>A</sub> = -30 to +85°C            | 35 to 55            |    |
| V <sub>i</sub>   | Input voltage                               | 400                 | mV |
| V <sub>o</sub>   | Output voltage                              | 400                 | mV |
| d <sub>dot</sub> | Distortion at V <sub>o</sub> = 350mV        | 2                   | %  |
| S/N              | S/N ratio at V <sub>o</sub> = 400mV         | 50                  | dB |
| R <sub>s</sub>   | Input resistor*                             | 470                 | kΩ |

\*NOTE

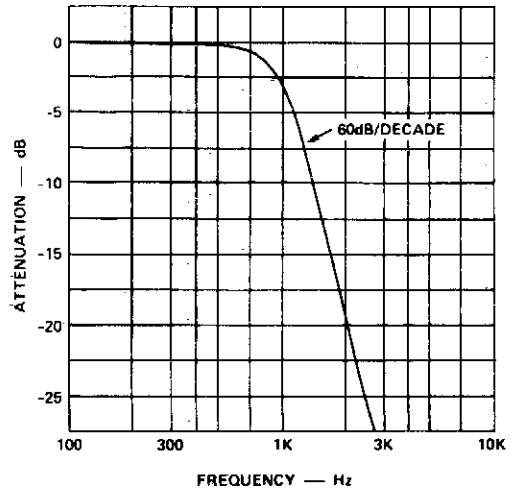
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**POLE ACTIVE LOW-PASS FILTER  
(BUTTERWORTH MAXIMALLY FLAT RESPONSE)**



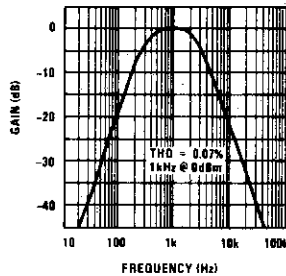
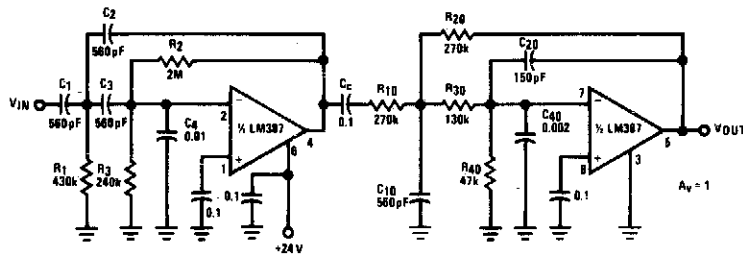
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Simplify 3-Pole Active Filter Design  
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**RESPONSE OF 3-POLE ACTIVE  
BUTTERWORTH  
MAXIMALLY FLAT FILTER**



**Fig. 33-33**

**SPEECH FILTER (300 Hz .3 kHz BANDPASS)**



Speech Filter Frequency Response

**Fig. 33-34**

### 0.1 Hz TO 10 Hz BANDPASS FILTER

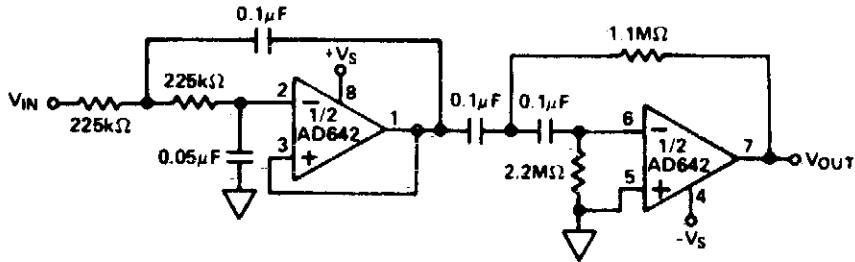


Fig. 33-35

### HIGH-PASS ACTIVE FILTER

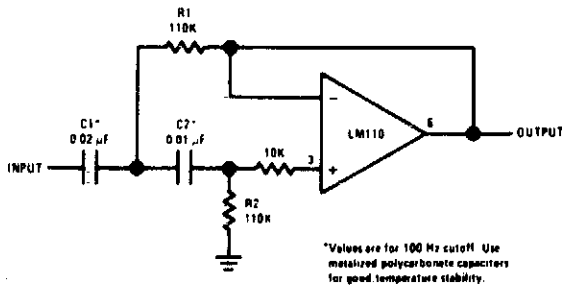
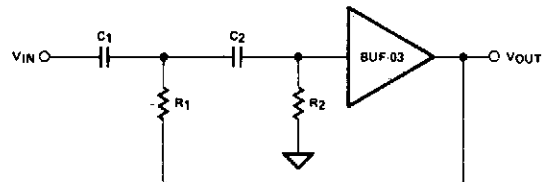


Fig. 33-36

### HIGH-PASS FILTER (HIGH FREQUENCY)



$$\omega_0 = \left( \frac{1}{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2} \right)^{1/2}$$

IF  $C_1 = C_2 = C$ , THEN

$$Q = \frac{(R_1/R_2)^{1/2}}{2}$$

| f <sub>0</sub><br>Hz | C<br>pF | R <sub>1</sub><br>Ω | R <sub>2</sub><br>Ω | Q    |
|----------------------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|------|
| 500K                 | 220     | 2.05K               | 1.02K               | 0.71 |

Fig. 33-38

### SECOND ORDER HIGH-PASS ACTIVE FILTER

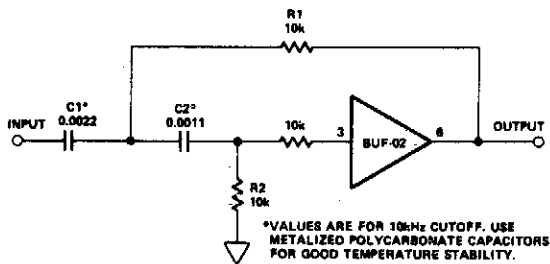


Fig. 33-37

### 160 Hz BANDPASS FILTER

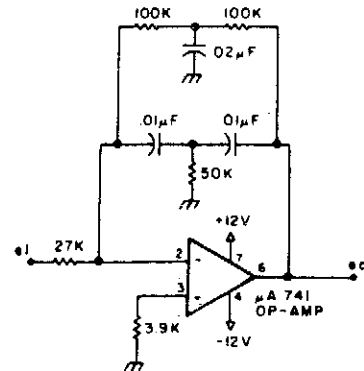


Fig. 33-39

### MULTIPLE FEEDBACK BANDPASS FILTER (1.0 kHz)

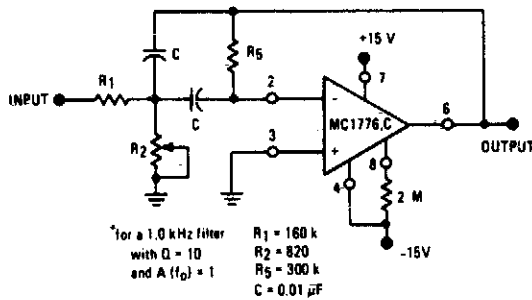


Fig. 33-40

### RUMBLE FILTER USING LM387

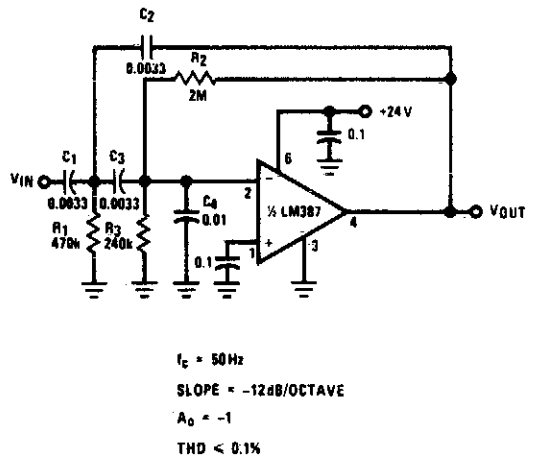


Fig. 33-42

### 20 kHz BANDPASS ACTIVE FILTER

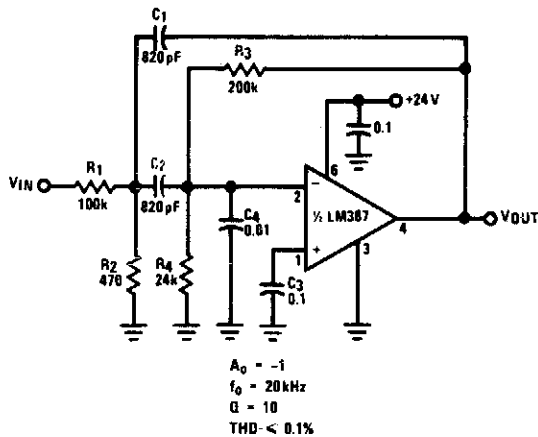


Fig. 33-41

### SCRATCH FILTER USING LM387

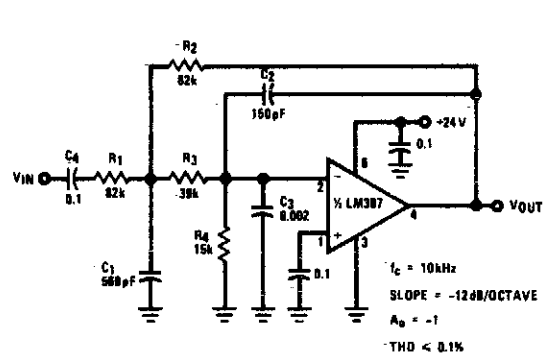


Fig. 33-43

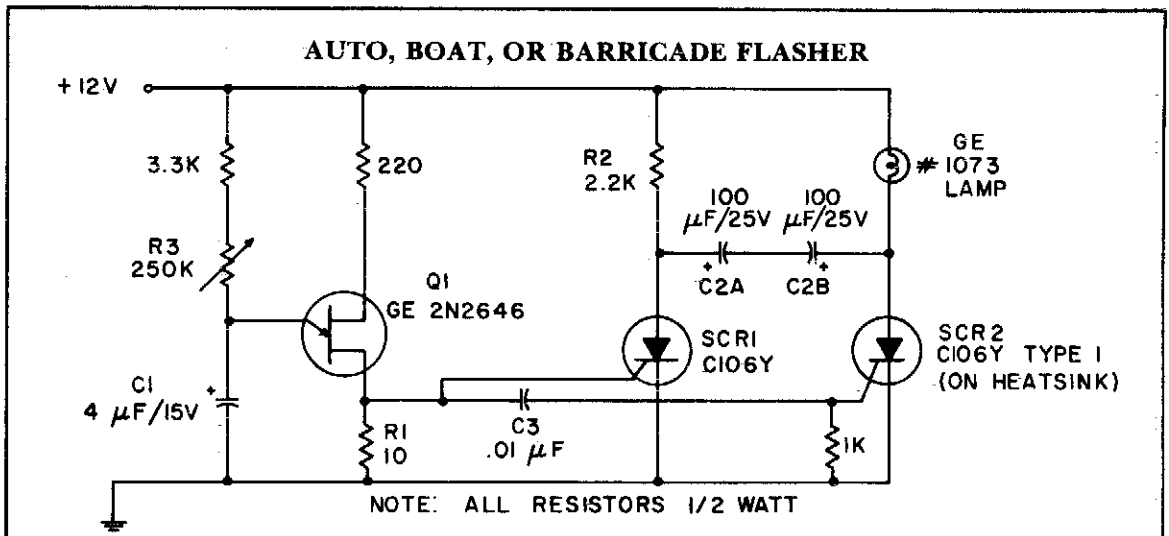
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## Flashers and Blinkers

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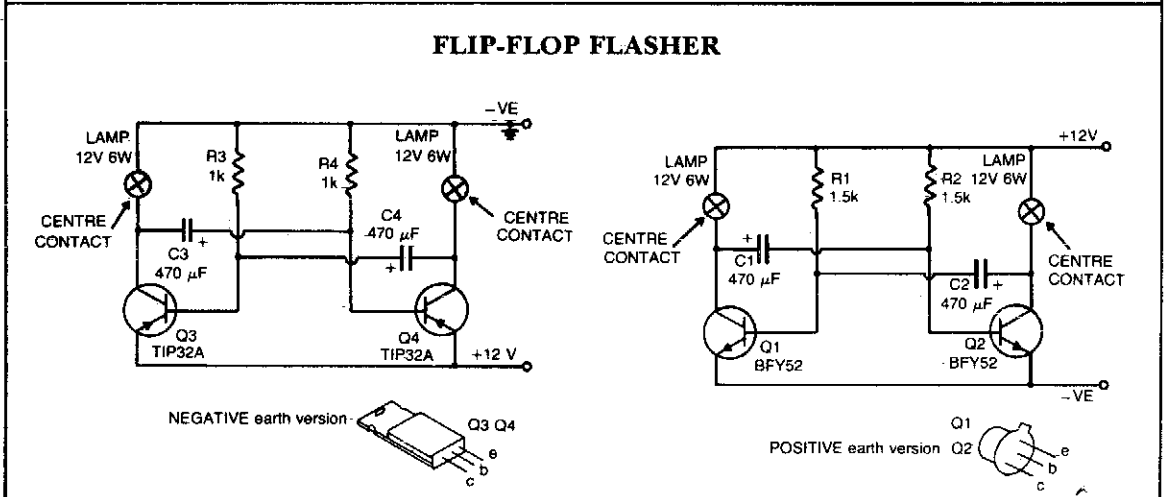
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|--|--|
| Auto, Boat, or Barricade Flasher           | Low Voltage Flasher                      |
| Flip-Flop Flasher                          | 1 A Lamp Flasher                         |
| Flashlight Finder                          | Fast Blinker                             |
| Low Frequency Lamp Flasher/Relay Driver    | 3 V Flasher                              |
| Low Cost Ring Counter                      | Incandescent Bulb Flasher                |
| Ring Counter for Incandescent Lamps        | Flasher for 4 Parallel LEDs              |
| Dual LED CMOS Flasher                      | LED Booster                              |
| Automatic Safety Flasher                   | Safe, High Voltage Flasher               |
| Neon Blinker                               | Alternating Flasher                      |
| Transistorized Flasher                     | Variable Flasher                         |
| Flasher/Light Control                      | Emergency Lantern/Flasher                |
| Neon Tube Flasher                          | High Efficiency Parallel Circuit Flasher |
| Dc Flasher with Adjustable On and Off Time | Minimum Power Flasher                    |



**Fig. 34-1**

#### Circuit Notes

Because of its ability to withstand the heavy inrush currents, this incandescent lamp flasher uses the C106 SCR. With the components shown, the flash-rate is adjustable by potentiometer R3 within the range of 36 flashes per minute to 160 flashes per minute.

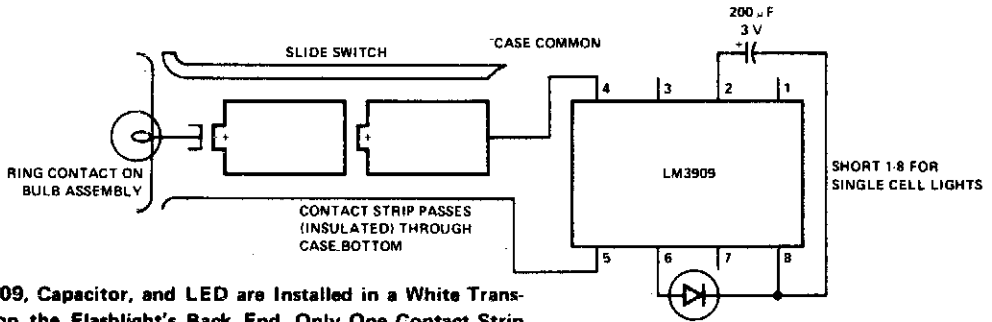


**Fig. 34-2**

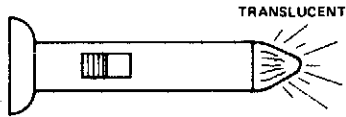
#### Circuit Notes

The flashing action is provided by a simple astable multivibrator timed to give a flashing rate of about 60 flashes for each lamp per minute. Circuit for positive earth systems uses NPN transistors. The other uses PNP transistors.

## FLASHLIGHT FINDER



**Note:** LM3909, Capacitor, and LED are Installed in a White Translucent Cap on the Flashlight's Back End. Only One Contact Strip (in Addition to the Case Connection) is Needed for Flasher Power. Drawing Current Through the Bulb Simplifies Wiring and Causes Negligible Loss Since Bulb Resistance Cold is Typically Less than  $2 \Omega$ .



**Note:** Winking LED Inside, Locates Light in Total Darkness

Fig. 34-3

## LOW FREQUENCY LAMP FLASHER/RELAY DRIVER

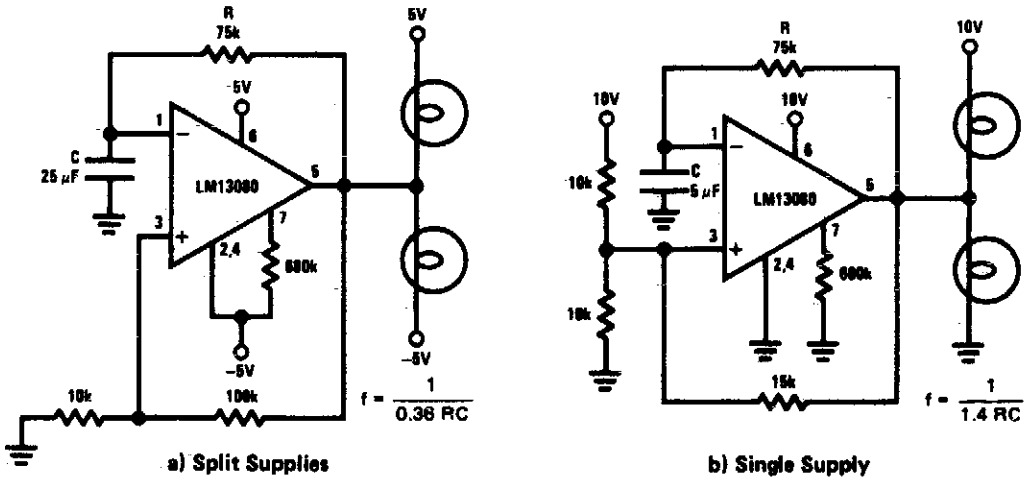


Fig. 34-4

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is a low frequency warning device. The output of the oscillator is a square wave that is used to drive lamps or small relays. The circuit alternately flashes two incandescent lamps.



### LOW COST RING COUNTER

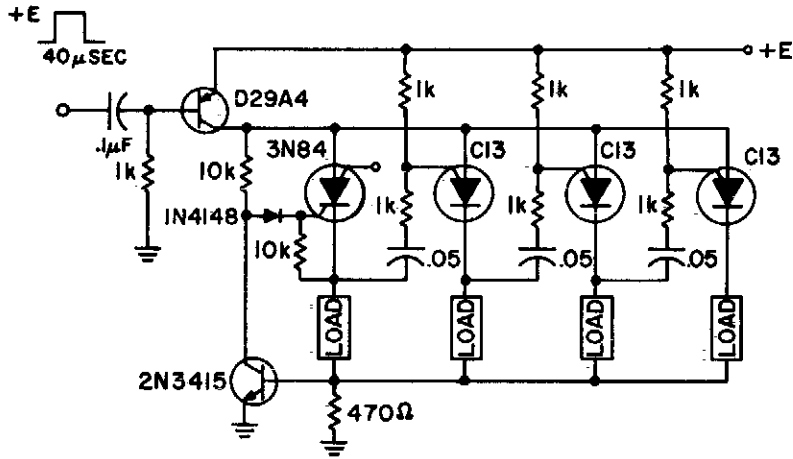


Fig. 34-5

#### Circuit Notes

This ring counter makes an efficient, low cost circuit featuring automatic resetting via the first stage 3N84. As many stages as desired may be cascaded.

### RING COUNTER FOR INCANDESCENT LAMPS

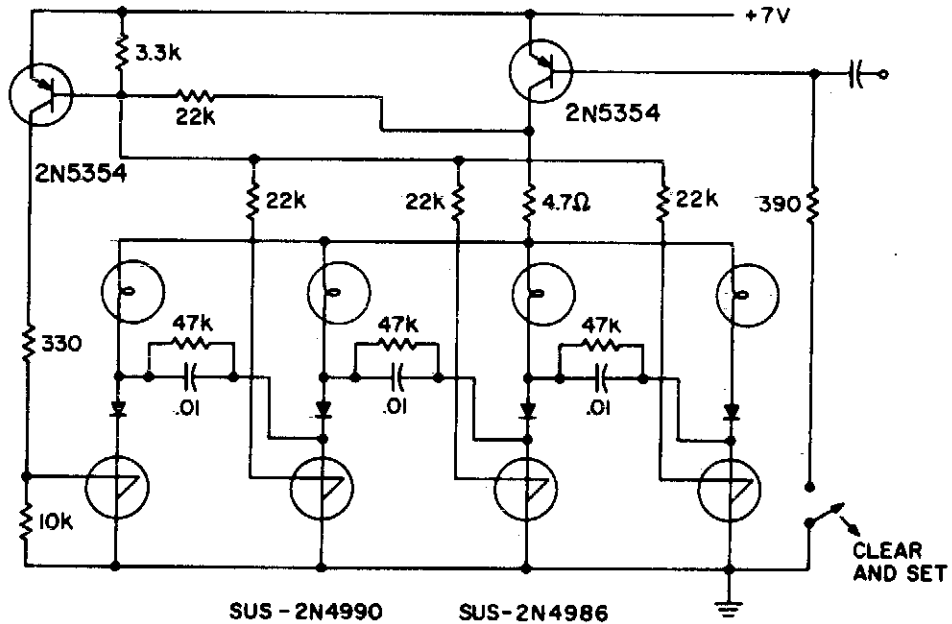


Fig. 34-6

## DUAL LED CMOS FLASHER

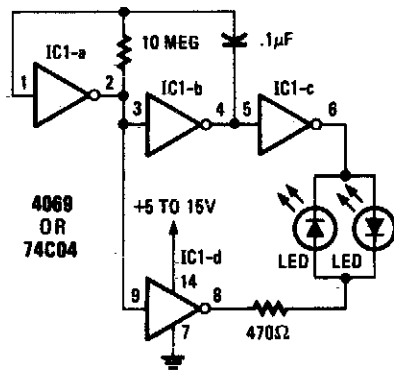


Fig. 34-7

### Circuit Notes

Inverters IC1-a and IC1-b form a multivibrator and IC1-c is a buffer. Inverter IC1-d is connected so that its output is opposite that of IC1-c; when pin 6 is high, then pin 8 is low and vice versa. Because pins 6 and 8 are constantly changing state, first one LED and then the other is on since they are connected in reverse. The light seems to jump back and forth between the LED's. The 470-ohm resistor limits LED current. Depending upon the supply voltage used, the value of the resistor may have to be changed to obtain maximum light output. To change the switching rate, change the value of the capacitor.

## AUTOMATIC SAFETY FLASHER

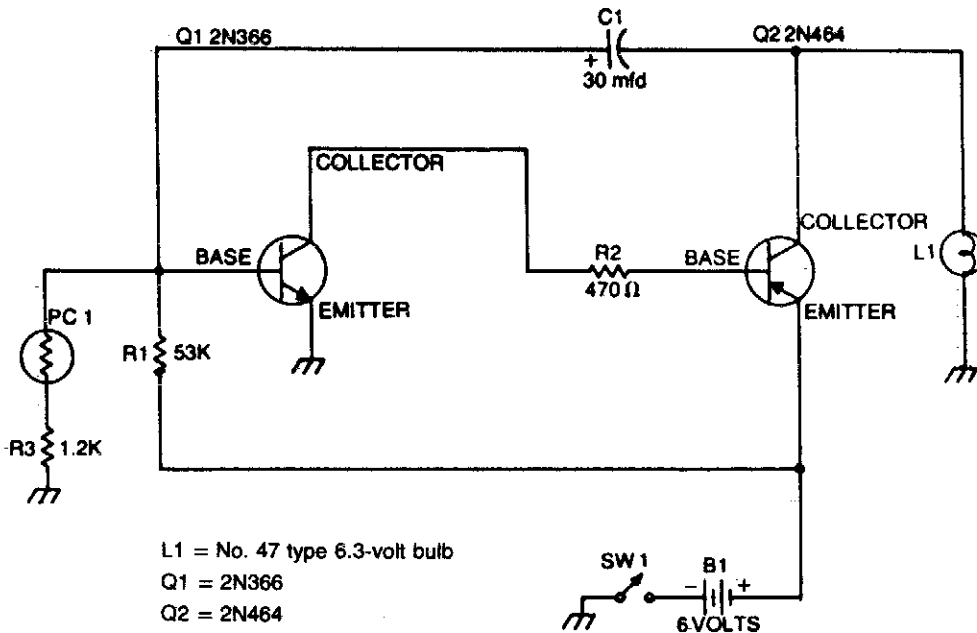


Fig. 34-8

### Circuit Notes

This flasher only comes on at night. It furnishes a bright nighttime illumination, and shuts itself off automatically as soon as the sun

comes up. The photocell must be mounted on top of the unit in such a way as to detect the greatest amount of available light.

### NEON BLINKER

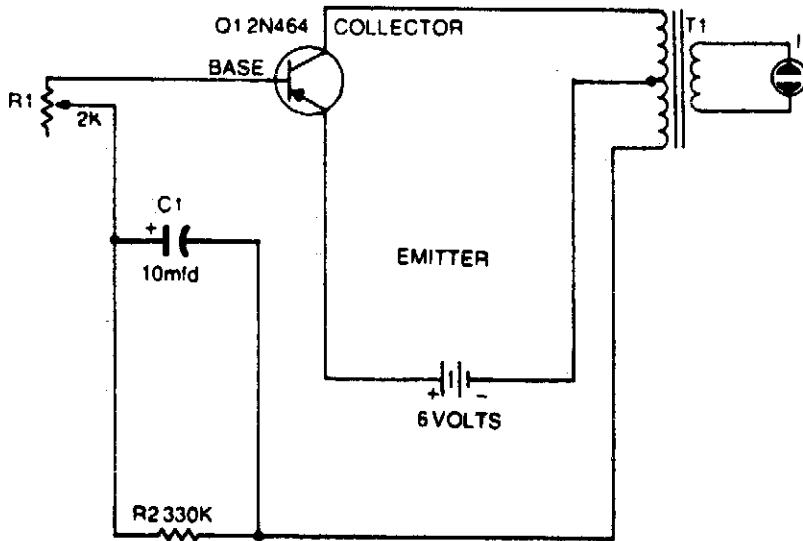
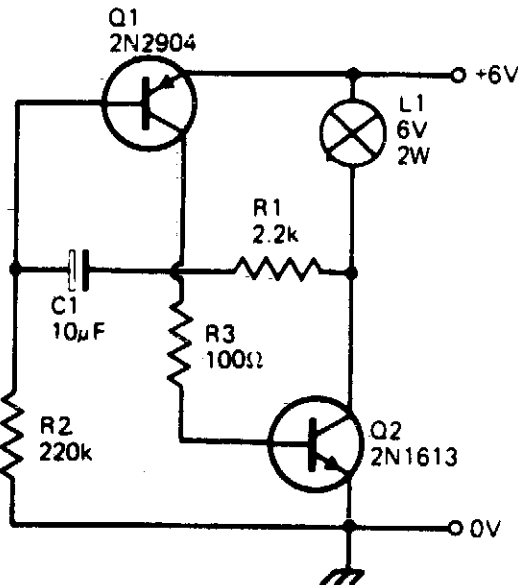


Fig. 34-9

#### Circuit Notes

The universal output transformer and the transistor form a low-frequency oscillator. The rate of flashing of the neon bulb is determined by potentiometer R1.

### TRANSISTORIZED FLASHER

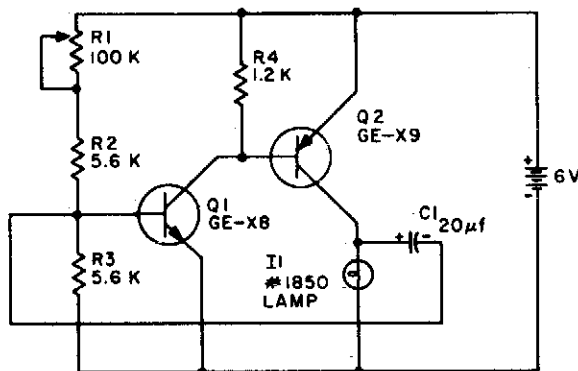


#### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit will flash a 6 volt lamp at a rate determined by the size of capacitor C1. It is most economical on power as it only draws current when the lamp is on. When the lamp is off, both transistors are biased off.

Fig. 34-10

## FLASHER/LIGHT CONTROL



### Parts List

- C1* – 20-mfd, 6-volt electrolytic capacitor
- I1* – 6-volt, GE No. 1850 lamp and socket
- Q1* – GE-X8 transistor
- Q2* – GE-X9 transistor
- R1* – 100K-ohm, 2-watt potentiometer
- R2, R3* – 5.6K-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor
- R4* – 1.2K-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor
- Battery* – 6-volt dry pack

Fig. 34-11

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is a two-stage, direct-coupled transistor amplifier connected as a free-running multivibrator. Both the flash duration and flash interval can be changed by turning the potentiometer, R1.

## NEON TUBE FLASHER

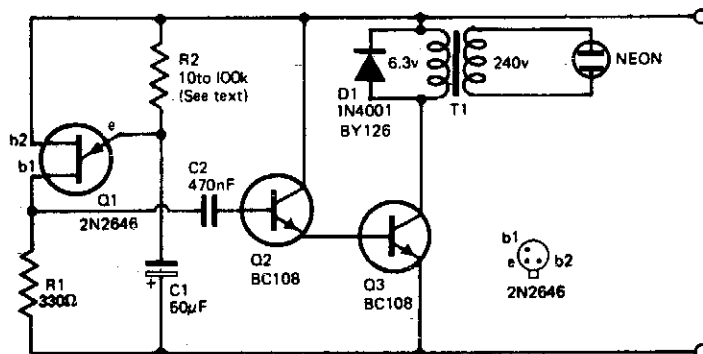


Fig. 34-12

### Circuit Notes

The voltage required to ignite the neon tube is obtained by using an ordinary filament transformer (240-6.3 V) in reverse. Battery drain is quite low, around 1 to 2 milliamperes for a nine volt battery. The pulses from Q1, unijunction transistor, operated as a relaxation oscillator and are applied to Q2 which in turn

drives Q3 into saturation. The sharp rise in current through the 6.3 V winding of the transformer as Q3 goes into saturation induces a high voltage in the secondary winding causing the neon to flash. The diode D1 protects the transistor from high voltage spikes generated when switching currents in the transformer.



### 1 A LAMP FLASHER

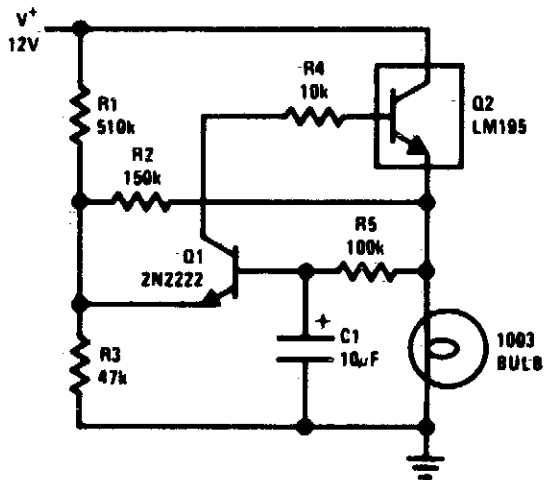
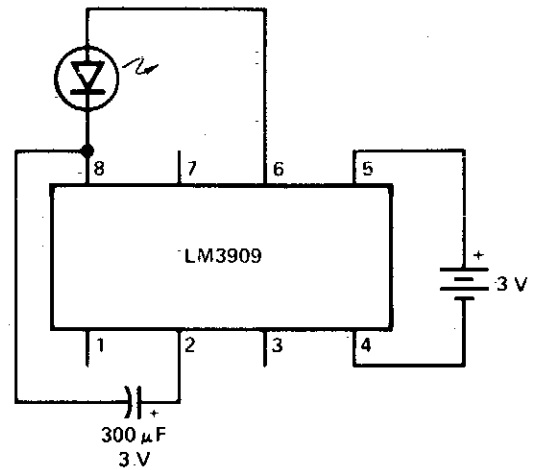


Fig. 34-15

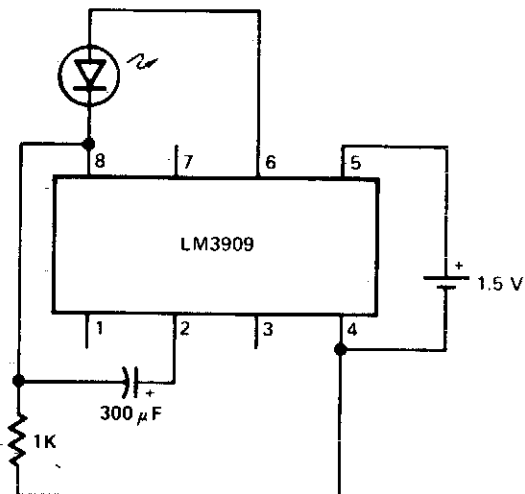
### 3 V FLASHER



Note: Nominal Flash Rate:  
1 Hz. Average  $I_{DRAIN} = 0.77 \text{ mA}$

Fig. 34-17

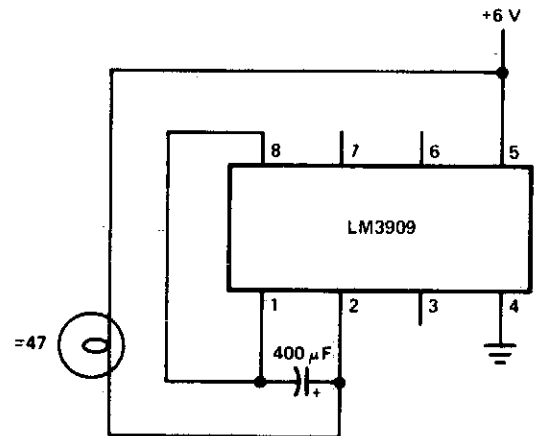
### FAST BLINKER



Note: Nominal Flash Rate:  
2.6 Hz. Average  $I_{DRAIN} = 1.2$

Fig. 34-16

### INCANDESCENT BULB FLASHER



Note: Flash Rate: 1.5 Hz

Fig. 34-18

### FLASHER FOR 4 PARALLEL LEDs

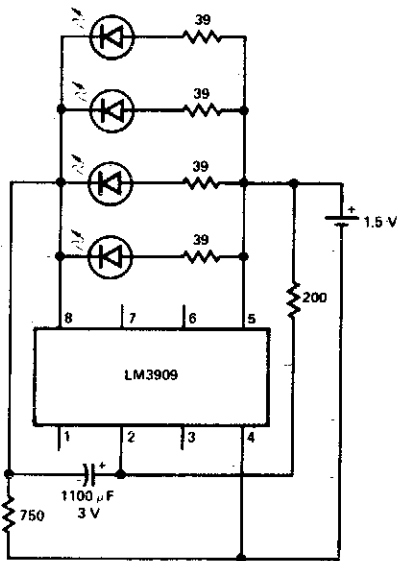


Fig. 34-19

Note: Nominal Flash Rate:  
1.3 Hz. Average I<sub>DRAIN</sub> = 2 mA

### SAFE, HIGH VOLTAGE FLASHER

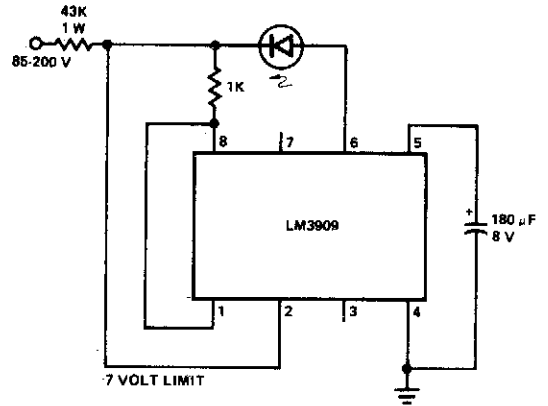
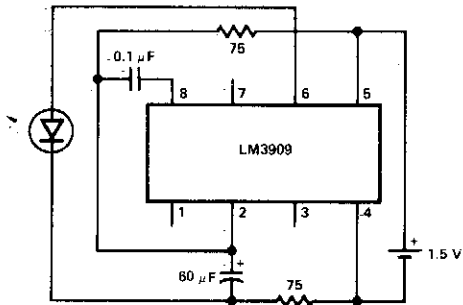


Fig. 34-21

### LED BOOSTER



Note: High efficiency, 4 mA drain

Note: Continuous Appearing Light Obtained By Supplying Short, High Current, Pulses (2 kHz) to LEDs With Higher Than Battery Voltage Available.

Fig. 34-20

### ALTERNATING FLASHER

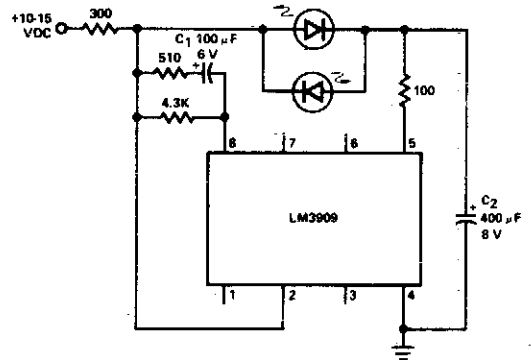
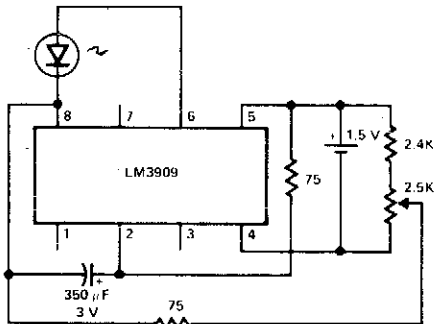


Fig. 34-22

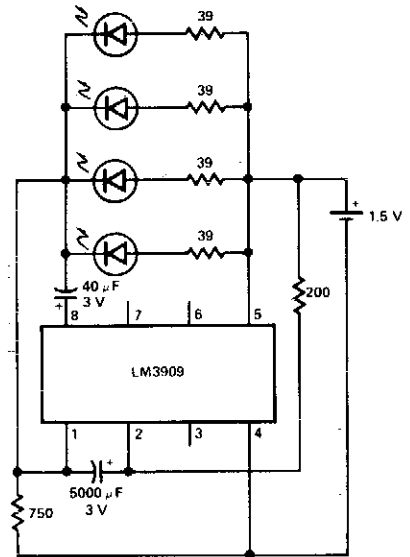
### VARIABLE FLASHER



Note: Flash Rate: 0-20 Hz

Fig. 34-23

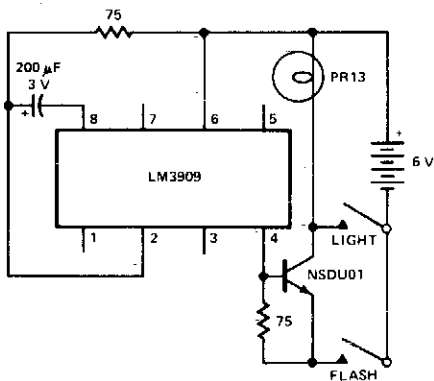
### HIGH EFFICIENCY PARALLEL CIRCUIT FLASHER



Note: Nominal Flash Rate:  
1.5 Hz. Average  $I_{DRAIN} = 1.5 \text{ mA}$

Fig. 34-25

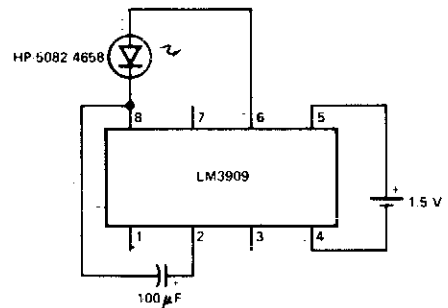
### EMERGENCY LANTERN/FLASHER



Note: Nominal Flash Rate: 1.5 Hz

Fig. 34-24

### MINIMUM POWER FLASHER (1.5 V)



Note: Nominal Flash Rate: 1.1 Hz. Average  $I_{DRAIN} = 0.32 \text{ mA}$

Fig. 34-26



# 35

## Frequency Measuring Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Inexpensive Frequency Counter/  
Tachometer

Linear Frequency Meter  
Power-Line Frequency Meter

Audio Frequency Meter



### POWER-LINE FREQUENCY METER

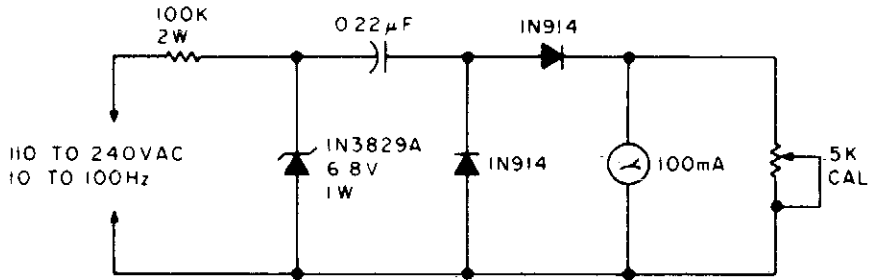


Fig. 35-3

#### Circuit Notes

The meter will indicate the frequency from a power generator. Incoming sine waves are converted to square waves by the 100 K resistor and the 6.8 V zener. The square wave is differentiated by the capacitor and the cur-

rent is averaged by the diodes. The average current is almost exactly proportional to the frequency and can be read directly on a 100 mA meter. To calibrate, hook the circuit up to a 60 Hz powerline and adjust the 5 K pot to read 60 mA.

### AUDIO FREQUENCY METER

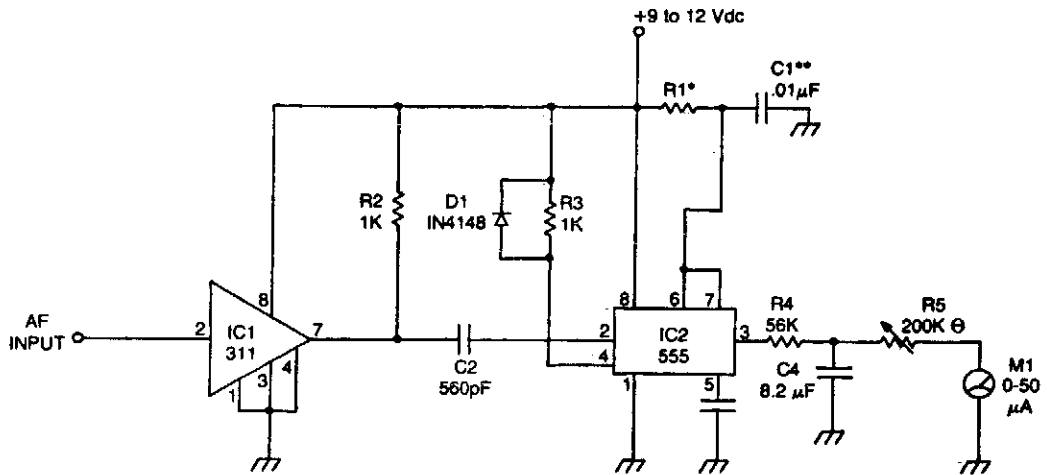


Fig. 35-4

\*R1: 1 meg 100K 10K  
 RANGE: 50 500 5000  
 (Hz)  
 \*\*C1: POLYSTYRENE OR SILVER-MICA

#### Circuit Notes

The meter uses time averaging to produce a direct current that is proportional to the frequency of the input signal.

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## Frequency Multipliers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Broadband Frequency Doubler  
Frequency Doubler  
150 to 300 MHz Doubler

Low-Frequency Doubler  
Oscillator with Double Frequency  
Output

## BROADBAND FREQUENCY DOUBLER

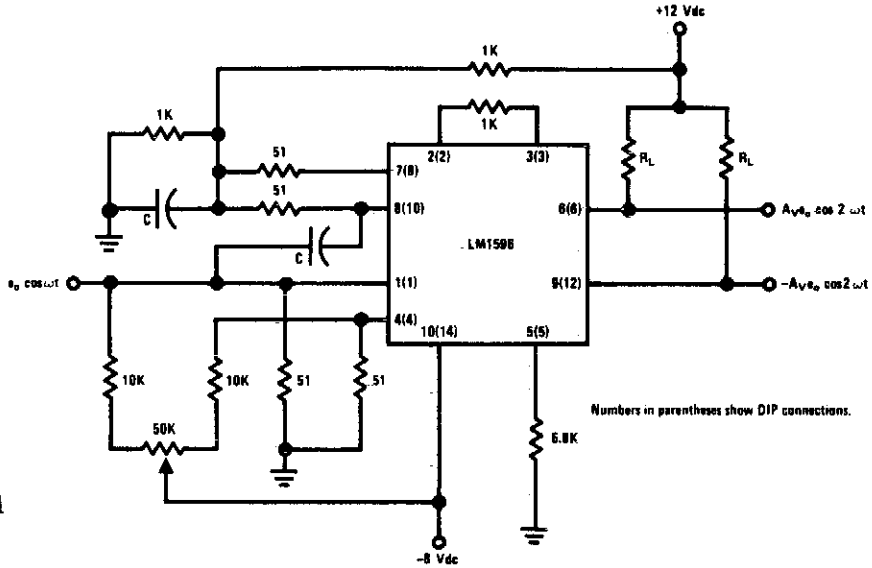


Fig. 36-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit will double low-level signals with low distortion. The value of C should be chosen for low reactance at the operating frequency. Signal level at the carrier input must be less than 25 mV peak to maintain operation in the linear region of the switching differential

amplifier. Levels to 50 mV peak may be used with some distortion of the output waveform. If a larger input signal is available, a resistive divider may be used at the carrier input with full signal applied to the signal input.

## FREQUENCY DOUBLER

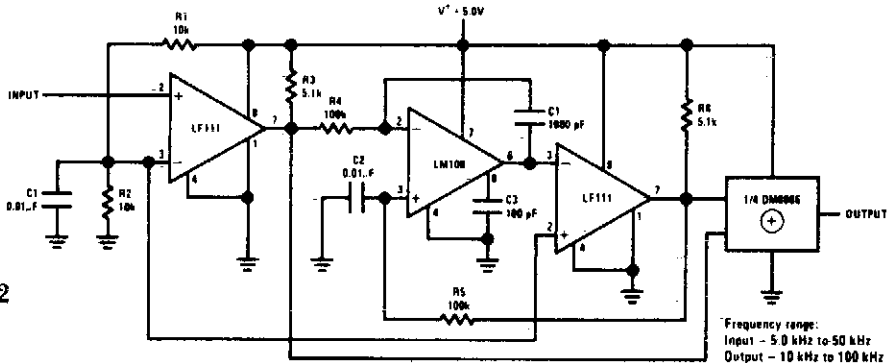


Fig. 36-2

### 150 TO 300 MHz DOUBLER

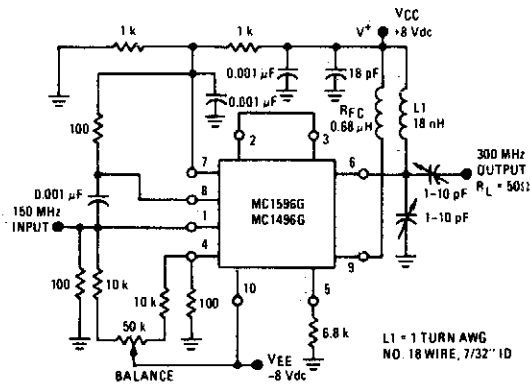


Fig. 36-3

### LOW-FREQUENCY DOUBLER

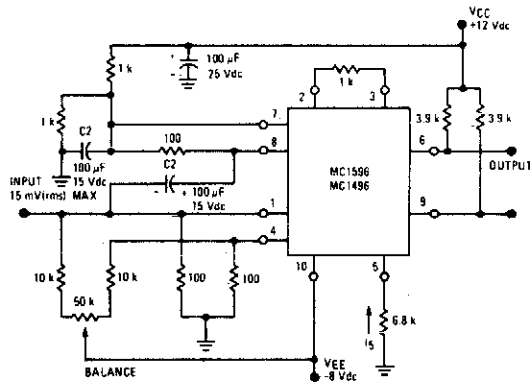


Fig. 36-4

### OSCILLATOR WITH DOUBLE FREQUENCY OUTPUT

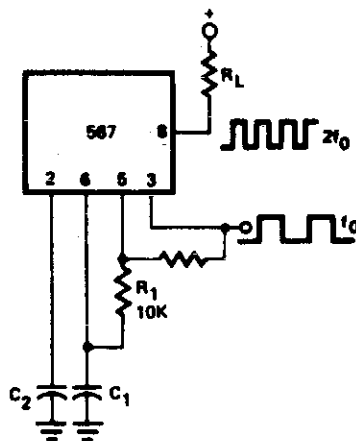


Fig. 36-5

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## Frequency-to-Voltage Converters

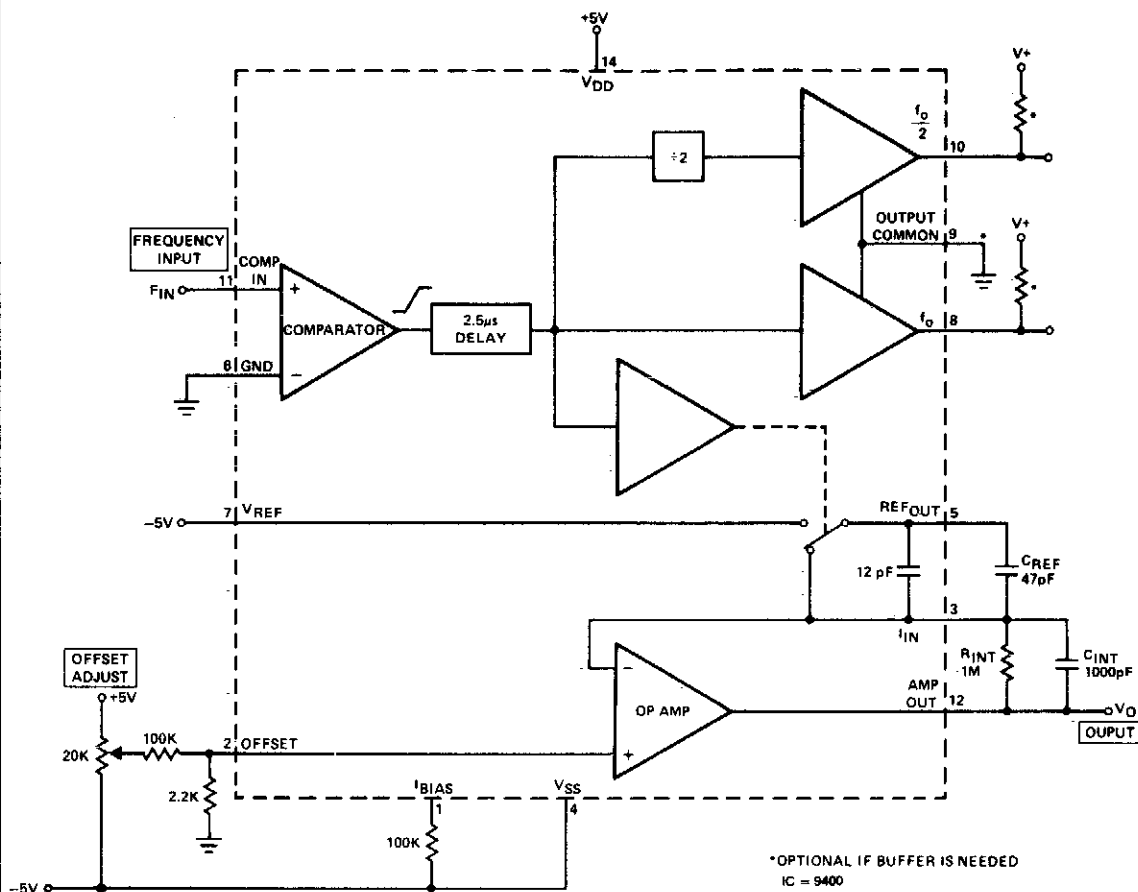
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

DC-10 kHz Frequency/Voltage Converter  
Frequency-to-Voltage Converter  
Zener Regulated Frequency-to-Voltage  
Converter  
Simple Frequency-to-Voltage Converter

F/V Conversion, TTL Input  
Frequency-to-Voltage Converter with 2-  
Pole Butterworth Filter to Reduce Rip-  
ple  
Precision Frequency-to-Voltage Converter

## DC-10 kHz FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER



**Fig. 37-1**

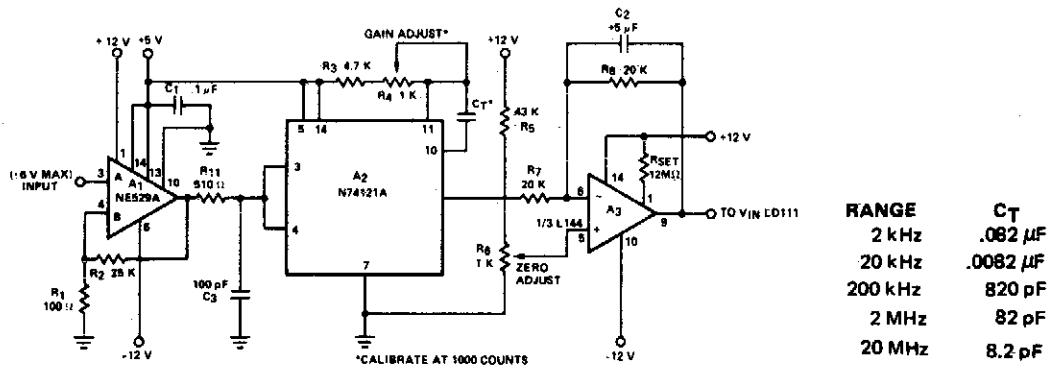
### Circuit Notes

The converter generates an output voltage which is linearly proportional to the input frequency waveform. Each zero crossing at the comparator's input causes a precise amount of change to be dispensed into the op amp's summing junction. This charge in turn flows

through the feedback resistor generating voltage pulses at the output of the op amp. Capacitor ( $C_{INT}$ ) across  $R_{INT}$  averages these pulses into a dc voltage which is linearly proportional to the input frequency.



## FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER (DIGITAL FREQUENCY METER)



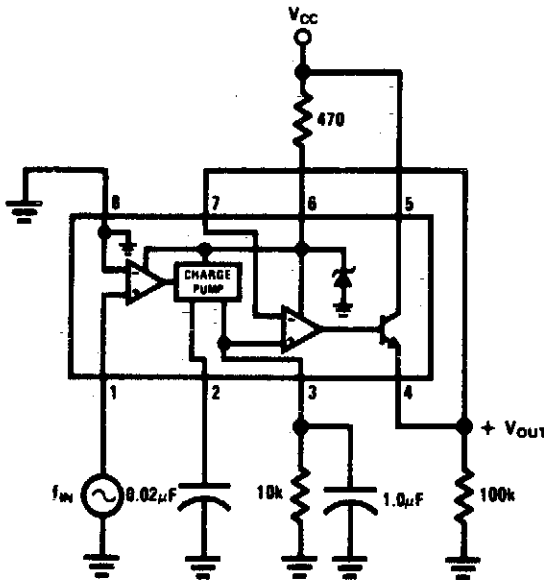
**Fig. 37-2**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit converts frequency to voltage by taking the average dc value of the pulses from the 74121 monostable multivibrator. The one shot is triggered by the positive-going ac signal at the input of the 529 comparator. The amplifier acts as a dc filter, and also provides

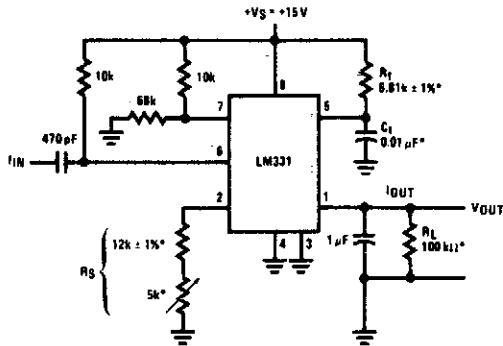
zeroing. The accuracy is 2% over a 5 decade range. The input signal to the comparator should be greater than 0.1 volt peak-to-peak, and less than 12 volts peak-to-peak for proper operation.

## ZENER REGULATED FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



**Fig. 37-3**

**SIMPLE FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER (10 kHz FULL-SCALE, ±0.006% NON-LINEARITY)**

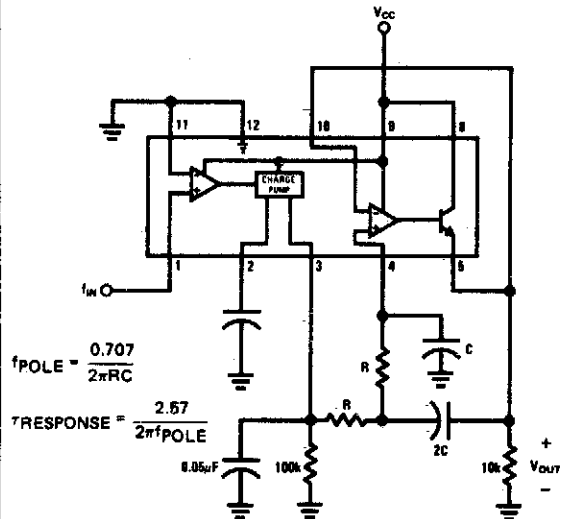


$$V_{OUT} = f_{IN} \times 2.09V \times \frac{R_L}{R_S} \times (R_1 C_1)$$

\*Use stable components with low temperature coefficients.

**Fig. 37-4**

**FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH 2-POLE BUTTERWORTH FILTER TO REDUCE RIPPLE**

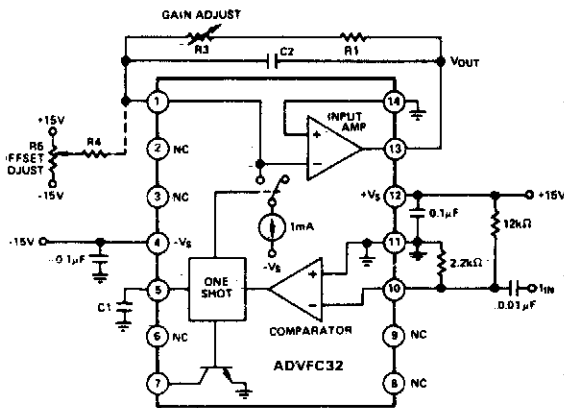


$$f_{POLE} = \frac{0.707}{2\pi RC}$$

$$T_{RESPONSE} = \frac{2.57}{2\pi f_{POLE}}$$

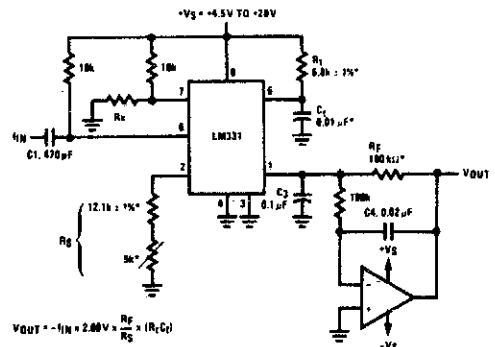
**Fig. 37-6**

**F/V CONVERSION, TTL INPUT**



**Fig. 37-5**

**PRECISION FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER (10 kHz FULL-SCALE WITH 2-POLE FILTER, ±0.01% NON-LINEARITY MAXIMUM)**



$$V_{OUT} = f_{IN} \times 2.09V \times \frac{R_F}{R_S} \times (R_1 C_1)$$

$$\text{SELECT } R_S = \frac{(V_S - 2V)}{0.2 \text{ mA}}$$

\*Use stable components with low temperature coefficients.

**Fig. 37-7**

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## Fuzz Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Fuzz Box 1  
Fuzz Box 2  
Fuzz Box 3

Fuzz Box 4  
Fuzz Box 5  
Guitar Fuzz

### FUZZ BOX 1

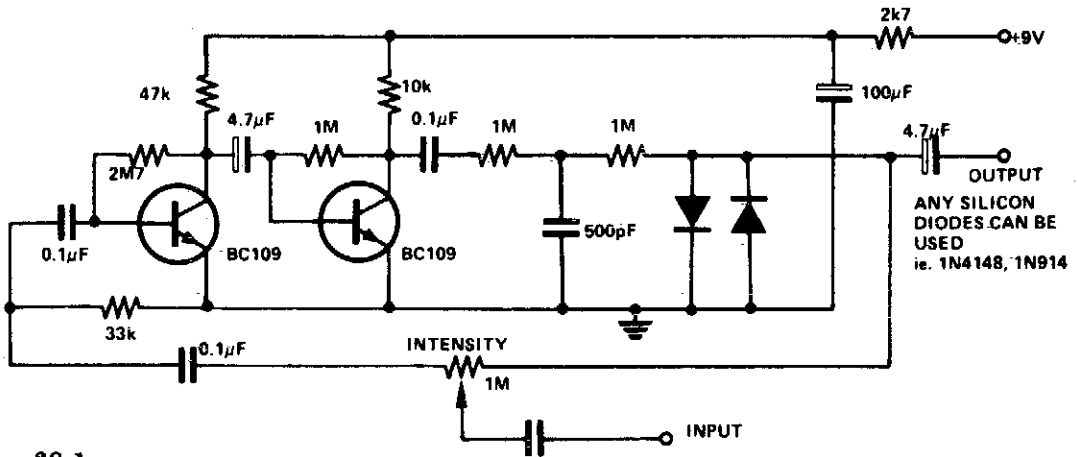


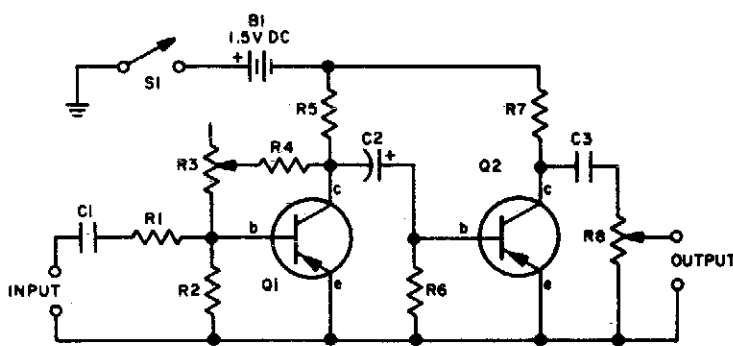
Fig. 38-1

#### Circuit Notes

The input signal is amplified by the transistors. The distorted output is then clipped by the two diodes and the high frequency noise is filtered from the circuit via the 500 pF

capacitor. The 1 M pot adjusts the intensity of the fuzz from maximum to no fuzz (normal playing).

### FUZZ BOX 2



- B1—1.5-V AA battery
- C1, C3—0.1-µF, 50-VDC capacitor
- C2—4.7-µF, 10-VDC electrolytic capacitor
- Q1, Q2—pnp transistor—HEP-632
- R1, R6—22,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor
- R2—18,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor
- R3—1-megohm pot
- R4—100,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor
- R5, R7—10,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor
- R8—50,000-ohm pot
- S1—Spst switch

Fig. 38-2

#### Circuit Notes

Potentiometer R3 sets the degree of fuzz, and R8 sets the output level. Since the fuzz effect cannot be completely eliminated by R3, fuzz-free sound requires a bypass switch from the input to output terminals.

### FUZZ BOX 3

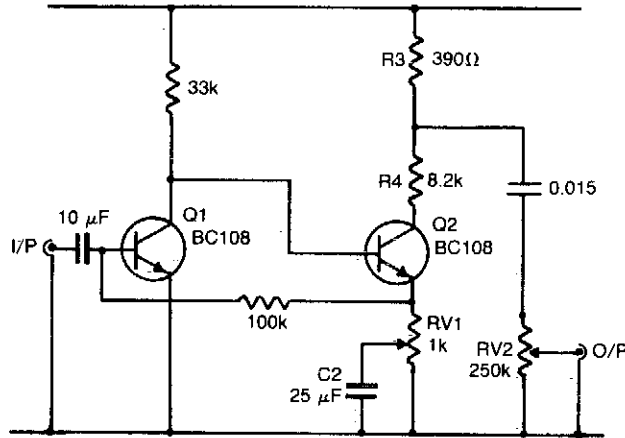


Fig. 38-3

#### Circuit Notes

Q1 and Q2 form a voltage amplifier which has sufficient gain to be overdriven by a relatively low input, such as an electric guitar. The result is that the output from Q2 is a Squared-Off version of the input, giving the required fuzz sound. RV1 adjusts the amount of negative

feedback inserted into the circuit by C2, and thus the amount of squaring of the signal. The purpose of R3 and R4 is to lower the output voltage to a suitable level, which is then adjusted as required with the volume control VR2.

### FUZZ BOX 4

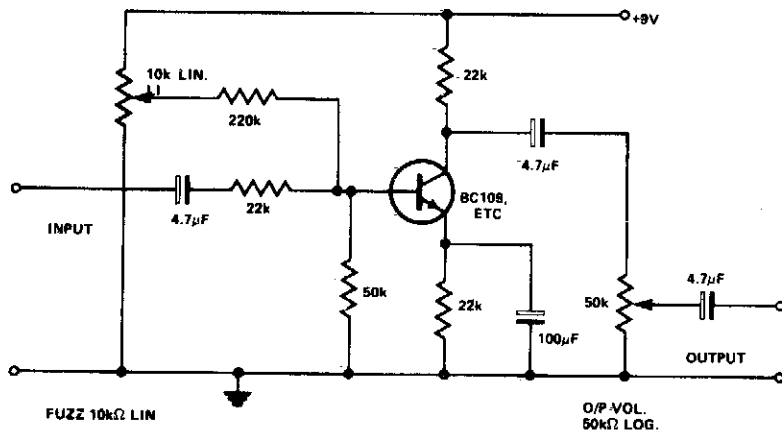
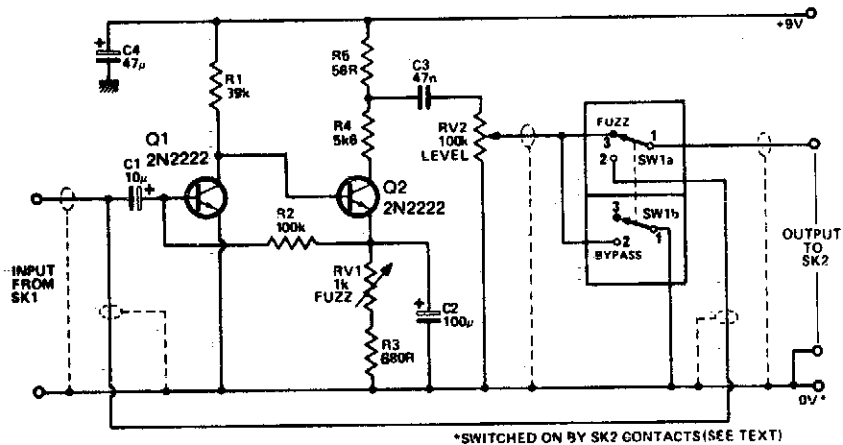


Fig. 38-4

#### Circuit Notes

None of the components are particularly critical in value or quality, as distortion is the sole object! The transistor could be BC107-8-9, 2N2926, etc.

### FUZZ BOX 5



Circuit Diagram

Fig. 38-5

#### Circuit Notes

Transistors Q1 and Q2 amplify the incoming signal, and the gain is such that the input will overload when used with an electric guitar. RV1 adjusts the amount of feedback

present, and hence voltage gain. The output is, therefore, a squared version of the input signal. The amount of squaring is varied by RV1.

### GUITAR FUZZ

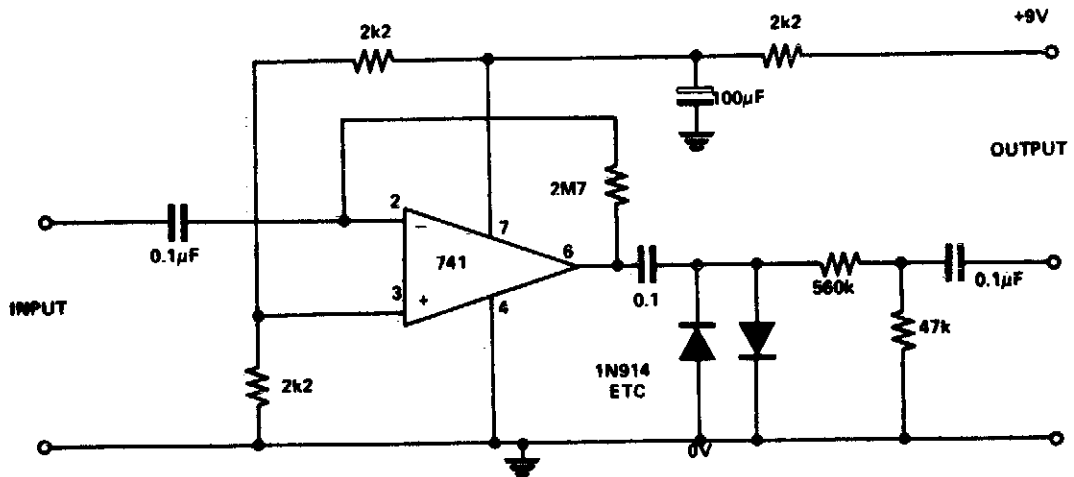


Fig. 38-6

#### Circuit Notes

The 741 has a maximum gain of 20,000, but the circuit is so designed that the IC's gain is 2,700,000 which then distorts the output. This distortion gives the fuzz effect. The two

diodes clip the output to drop the level, also lowered by the potential divider. This circuit also sustains the notes, due to clipping, giving a totally new sound.

# 39

## Games

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Ready, Set, Go!

Electronic Dice

Game Roller or Chase Circuit

Toss-A-Coin Binary Box

Electronic Coin Tosser

Heads or Tails

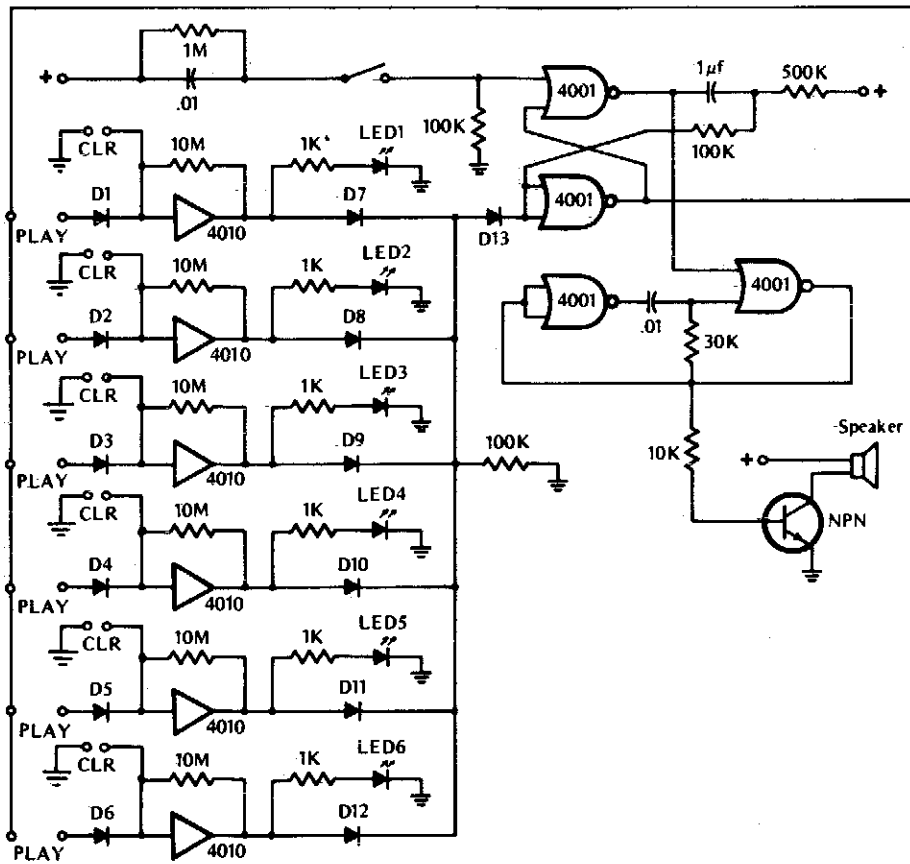
Pot Shot

Low Cost Heads-or Tails

Who Is First

Windicator

## READY, SET, GO!



**Fig. 39-1**

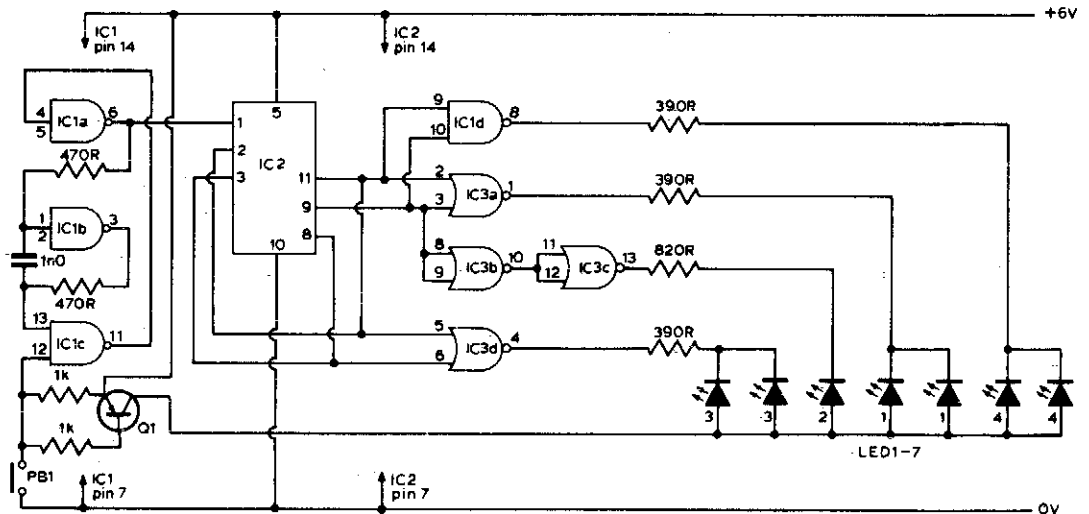
### Circuit Notes

This game tests a player's reaction time. It is activated by closing switch S1, which starts the tone generator and arms the circuit. The touchplate, labeled PLAY in the diagram, consists of two metal strips about 1/16th-inch apart. The first player to bridge the gap with his

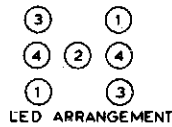
or her finger turns off the tone and lights the associated LED indicator. A second touchplate, labeled CLR in the diagram, clears the circuit, extinguishing the LED, when its gap is bridged by a fingertip.



## ELECTRONIC DICE



NOTE  
 LED1-7 are TIL209 or equivalent  
 IC1 is 7400  
 IC2 is 7493  
 IC3 is 7402  
 Q1 gen. purp. PNP  $I_{cmax} > 50\text{mA}$   
 PB1 is normally closed



**Fig. 39-2**

### Circuit Notes

Six LEDs are arranged to produce a display the same as the dots on a dice. When PBI is depressed, the display is blanked and the oscillator (IC1 a, b, c) clocks IC2 at about 1MHz.

IC2 counts from zero and resets on seven. When PBI is released, the display is enabled and a decoding system (IC3) produces the correct output on the LEDs.

### GAME ROLLER OR CHASE CIRCUIT

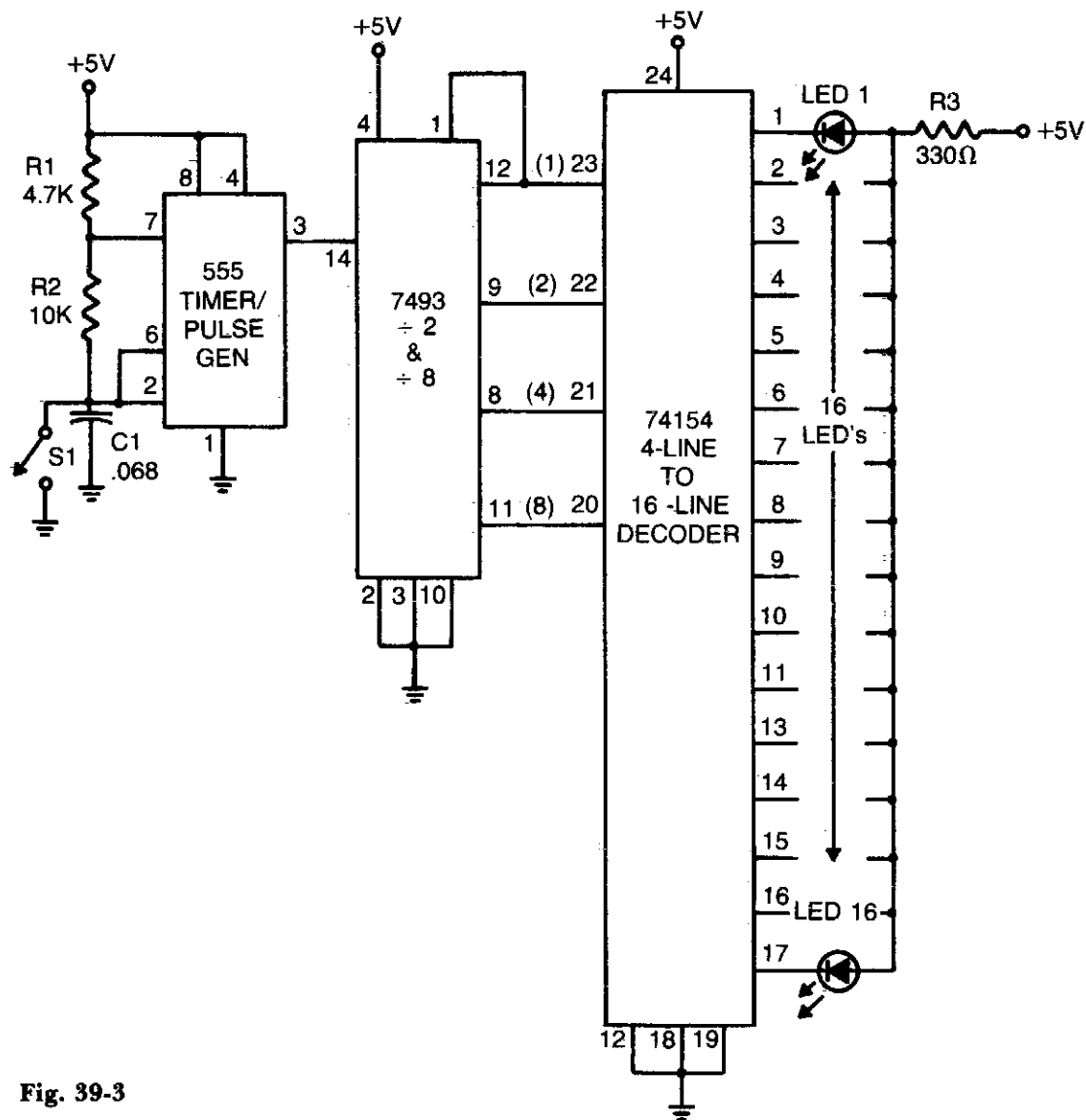


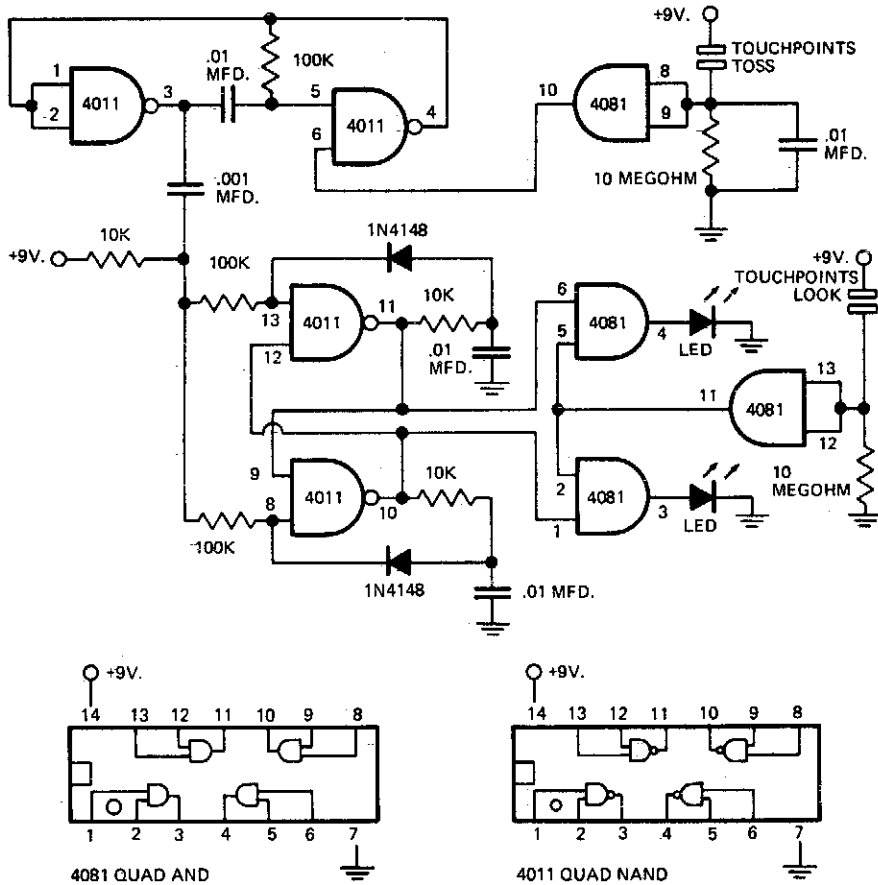
Fig. 39-3

#### Circuit Notes

The 555 timer produces a rapid series of pulses whenever switch S1 is open. These pulses are counted in groups of 16 and converted into binary form by the 7493 and applied to the 74154 (a 1-of-16 decoder/demultiplexer) wired so that each of its 16 output lines goes

low sequentially and in step with the binary count delivered by the 7493. When the switch is closed, only one LED remains on. Only one current limiting resistor (R3) is used for all the LED's since only one is on at any one time.

## TOSS-A-COIN BINARY BOX



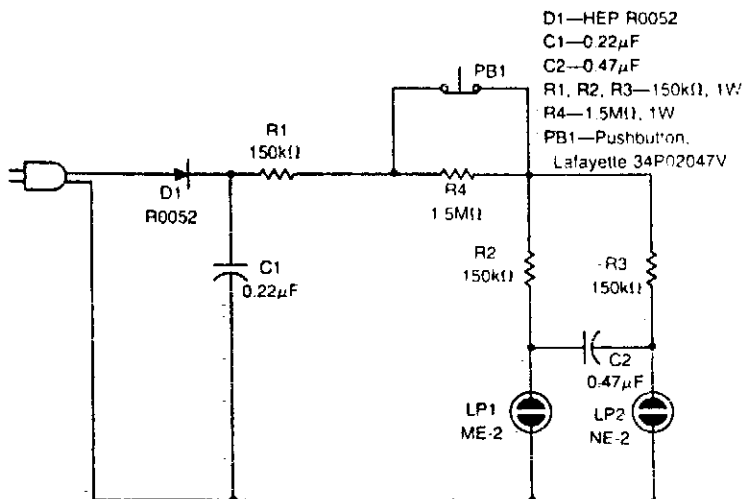
**Fig. 39-4**

### Circuit Notes

Circuit uses an astable multivibrator to vary the heads-or-tails condition, and a flip-flop to store the condition given by the multivibrator. Consequently, the circuit is wired so

that the flip-flop's state is changed once for each full cycle the multivibrator goes through to assure an absolutely even 50-50 chance of a heads or tails loss.

## ELECTRONIC COIN TOSSER

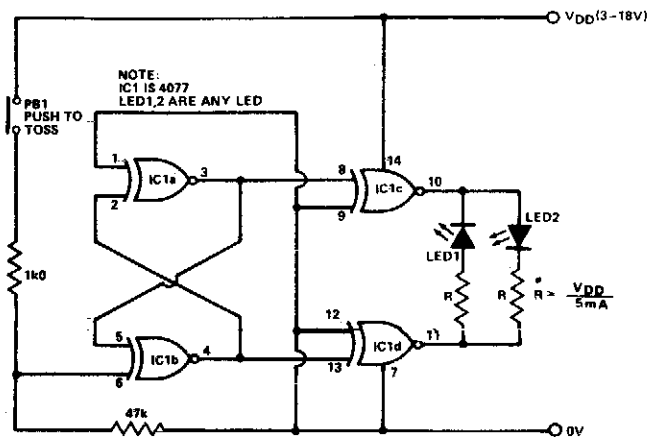


**Fig. 39-5**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit shown simulates the flipping of a coin by merely pushing switch PB1.

## HEADS OR TAILS



**Fig. 39-6**

### Circuit Notes

This ultra-simple heads or tails indicator uses a single 4077 and no capacitor.

The circuit is normally in a latched bistable mode; when the switch is closed the circuit

will oscillate, i.e. toss the coin. The astable frequency is approximately 5-10 MHz. PB1 is a normally closed switch.

## POT SHOT

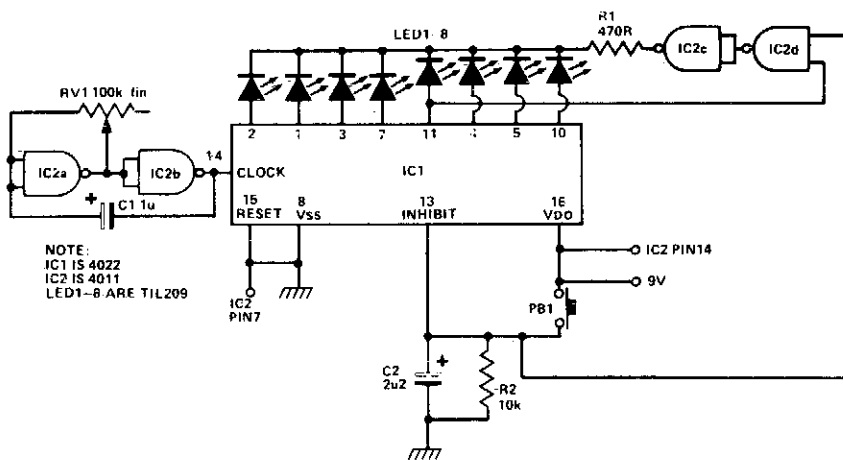


Fig. 39-7

### Circuit Notes

This is a circuit for a game of the shooting gallery variety. IC2a and b form an astable multivibrator clocking IC1 which causes LEDs 1-8 to flash in turn LED 5 is the target LED and the object of the game is to depress PBI just as LED 5 comes on. If this is done, the whole

display is blanked for a few seconds signifying a hit. Otherwise, the LED which was lit remains lit. When the push button is released, C2 discharges through R2 taking 8 pin 13 low again and the LEDs will start to flash again.

## LOW COST "HEADS OR TAILS"

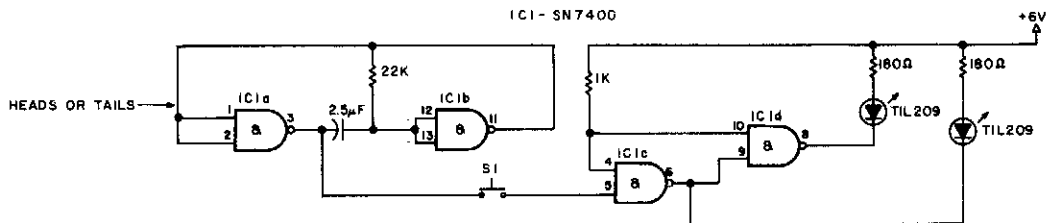


Fig. 39-8

### Circuit Notes

S1 must be a push-to-make, release-to-break, switch.

### WHO IS FIRST

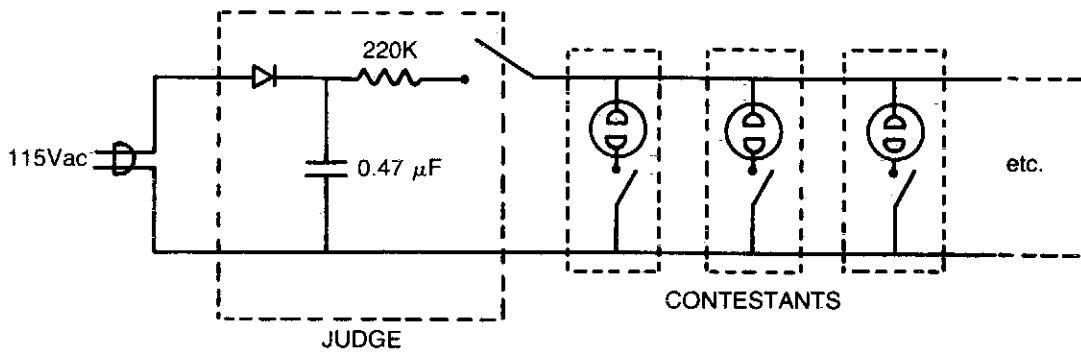


Fig. 39-9

#### Circuit Notes

Here is a circuit for any question-and-answer party game. The first button pushed ionizes the neon bulb dropping the dc voltage

on the parallel neons (the other contestants) below the ionization level; determining unequivocally the first person to press the button.

### WINDICATOR

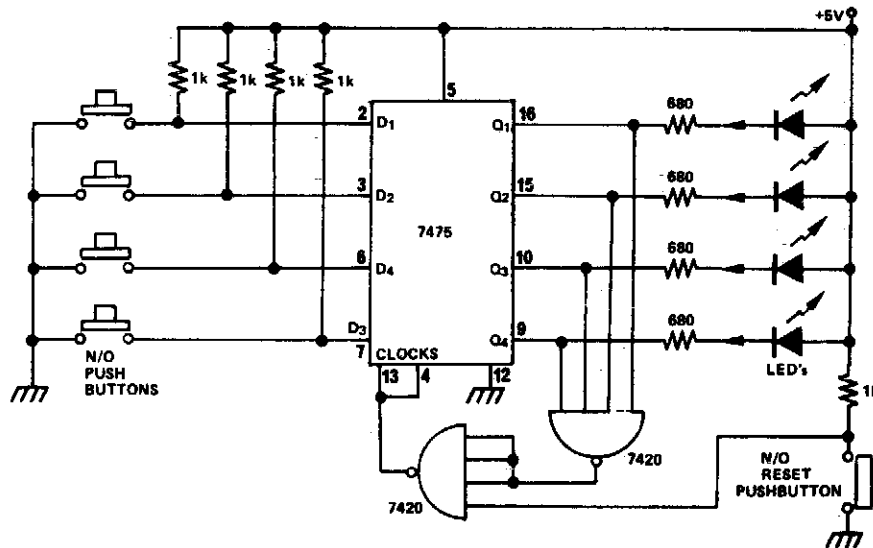


Fig. 39-10

#### Circuit Notes

Two TTL ICs and a handful of other components are all that is needed for a circuit that will indicate which of four buttons was pressed first, as well as lock out all other entries. A

logic 0 at one of the Q outputs, lights the appropriate LED and locks out other entries by taking the clock input low.

# 40

## Gas/Vapor Detectors

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Gas and Smoke Detector

Ionization Chamber Smoke Detector

Ionization Chamber Smoke Detector

## GAS AND SMOKE DETECTOR

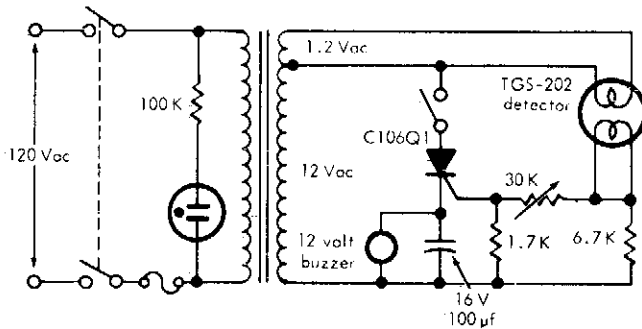


Fig. 40-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit can detect smoke and a number of gases (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, methane, coal gas and others) with a 10 ppm sensitivity. It uses a heated-surface semiconductor sensor. Detec-

tion occurs when the gas concentration increase causes a decrease of the sensor element internal resistance. The switch in series with the SCR is used for resetting the alarm.

## IONIZATION CHAMBER SMOKE DETECTOR

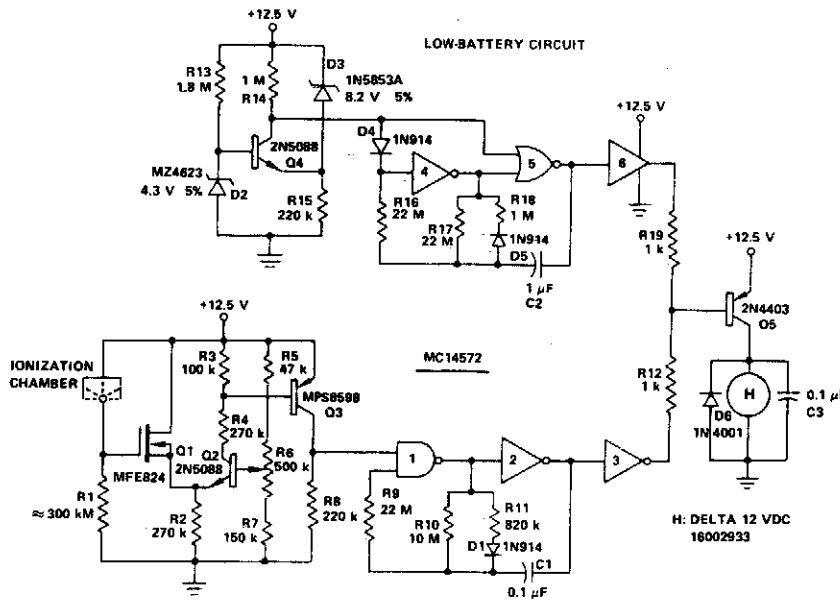


Fig. 40-2

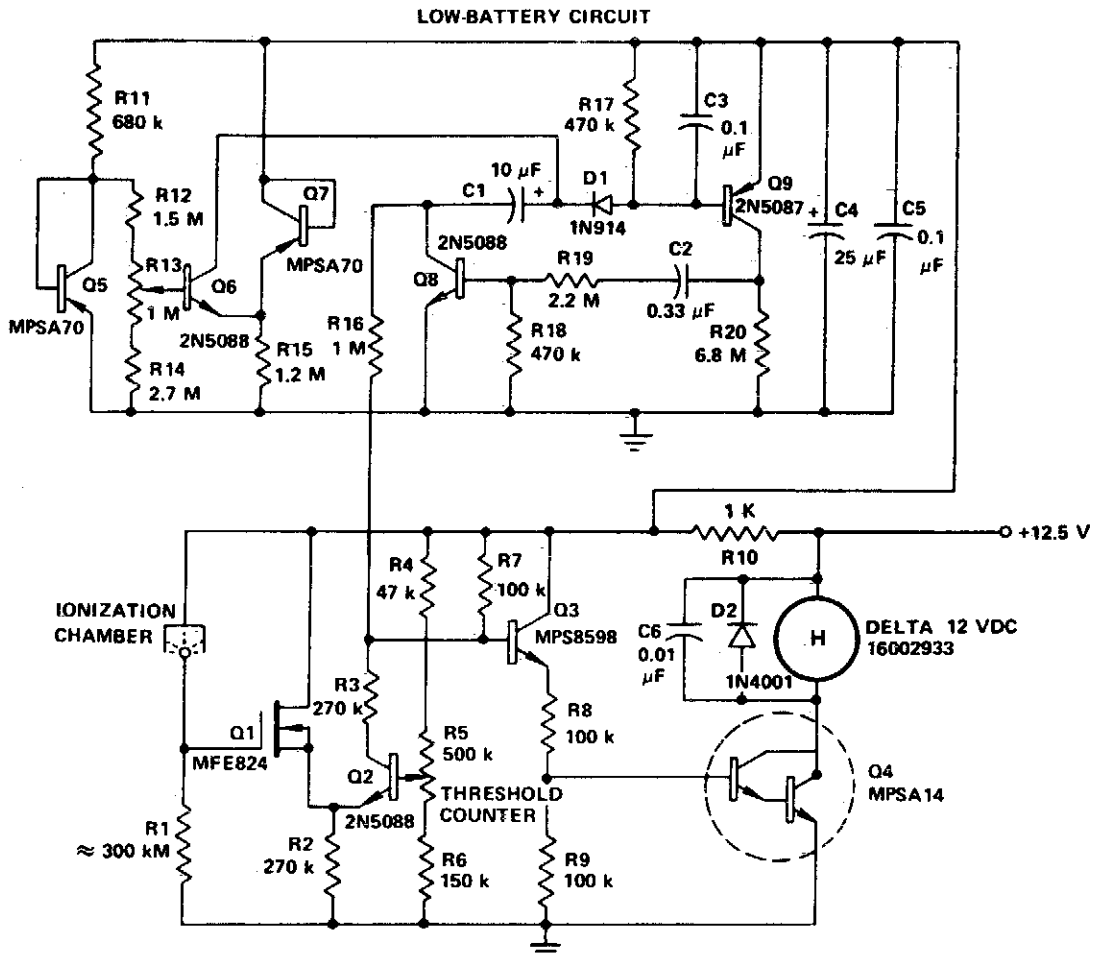
### Circuit Notes

Battery-operated, ionization chamber smoke detector includes a circuit to generate a unique alarm when the battery reaches the end of its useful life. The circuit uses the MCMOS

MC14572 for two alarm oscillators (smoke and low battery). This circuit additionally uses five discrete transistors as buffers and comparators.



## IONIZATION CHAMBER SMOKE DETECTOR



**Fig. 40-3**

### Circuit Notes

If the smoke alarm signal must be a continuous one rather than pulsating, then the slightly less expensive, all discrete transistor version of the MC14572 may be used.

# 41

## Indicators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Ten-Step Voltage-Level Indicator  
Beat Frequency Indicator  
Three-Step Level Indicator  
Indicator and Alarm

Five-Step Voltage-Level Indicator  
Visible Voltage Indicator  
Voltage Level Detector  
Zero Center Indicator for FM Receivers

Visual Zero-Beat Indicator

## TEN-STEP VOLTAGE-LEVEL INDICATOR

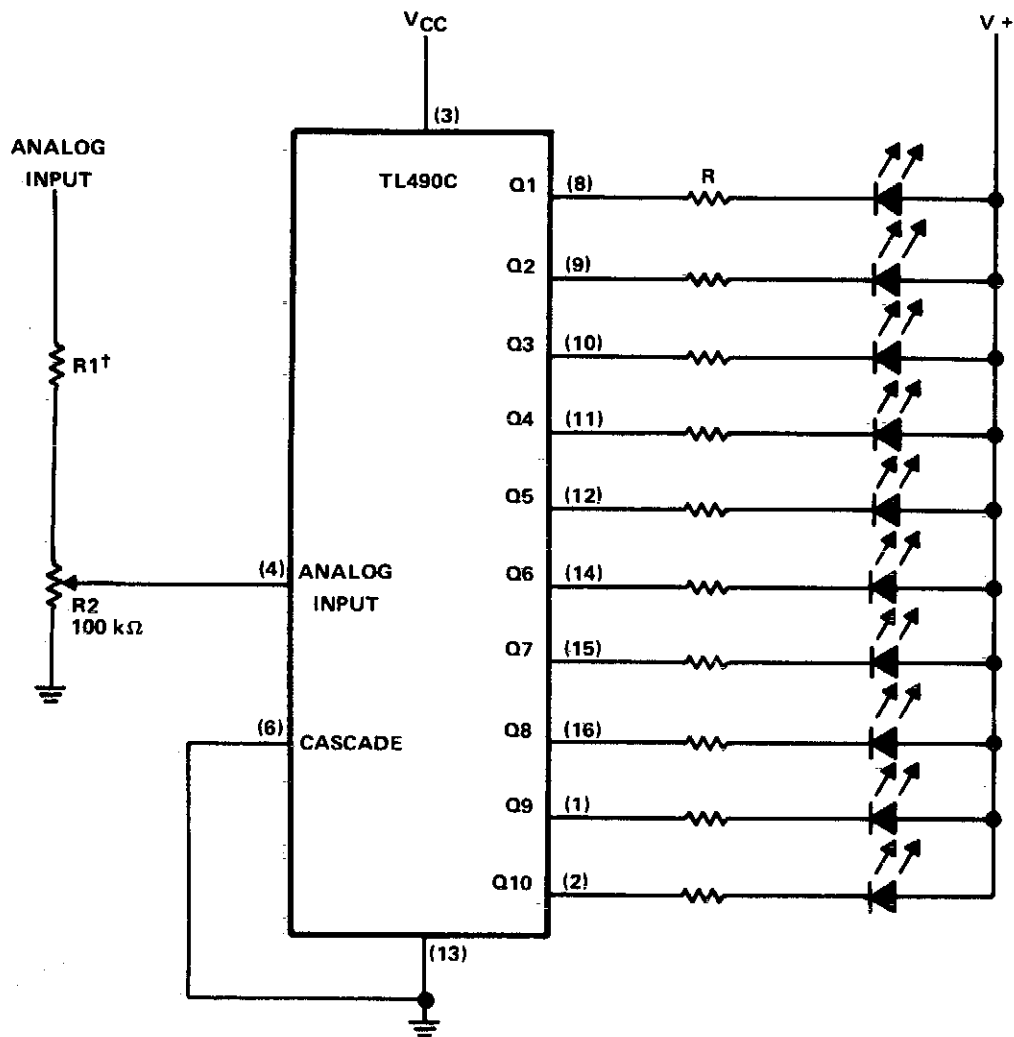


Fig. 41-1

### Circuit Notes

This ten-step adjustable analog level detector is capable of sinking up to 40 milliamperes at each output. The voltage range at the input pin should range from 0 to 2 volts. Circuits of this type are useful as liquid-level indi-

cators, pressure indicators, and temperature indicators. They may also be used with a set of active filters to provide a visual indication of harmonic content of audio signals.

## BEAT FREQUENCY INDICATOR

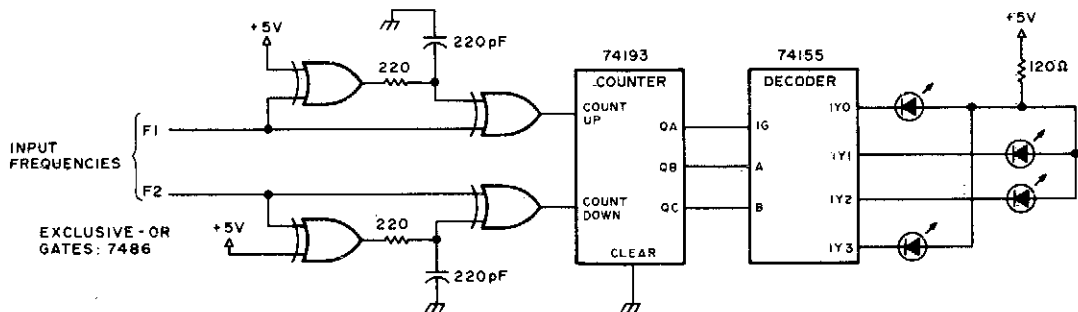


Fig. 41-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses LEDs to display the beat frequency of two-tone oscillators. Only one LED is on at a time, and the apparent rotation of the dot is an exact indication of the best fre-

quency. When  $f_1$  is greater than  $f_2$ , a dot of light rotates clockwise; when  $f_1$  is less than  $f_2$ , the dot rotates counterclockwise; and when  $f_1$  equals  $f_2$ , there is no rotation.

## THREE-STEP LEVEL INDICATOR

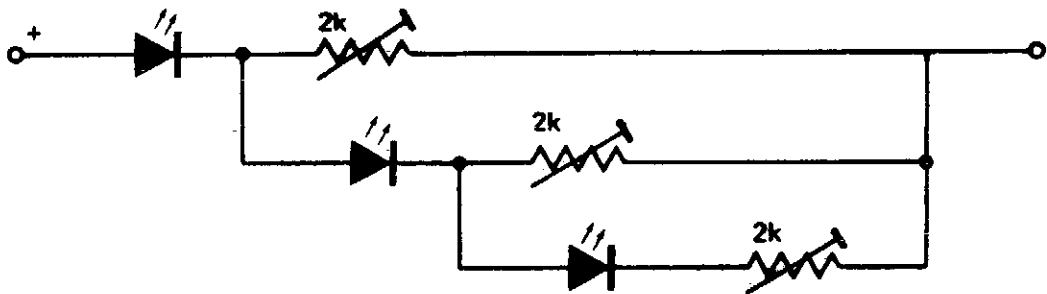


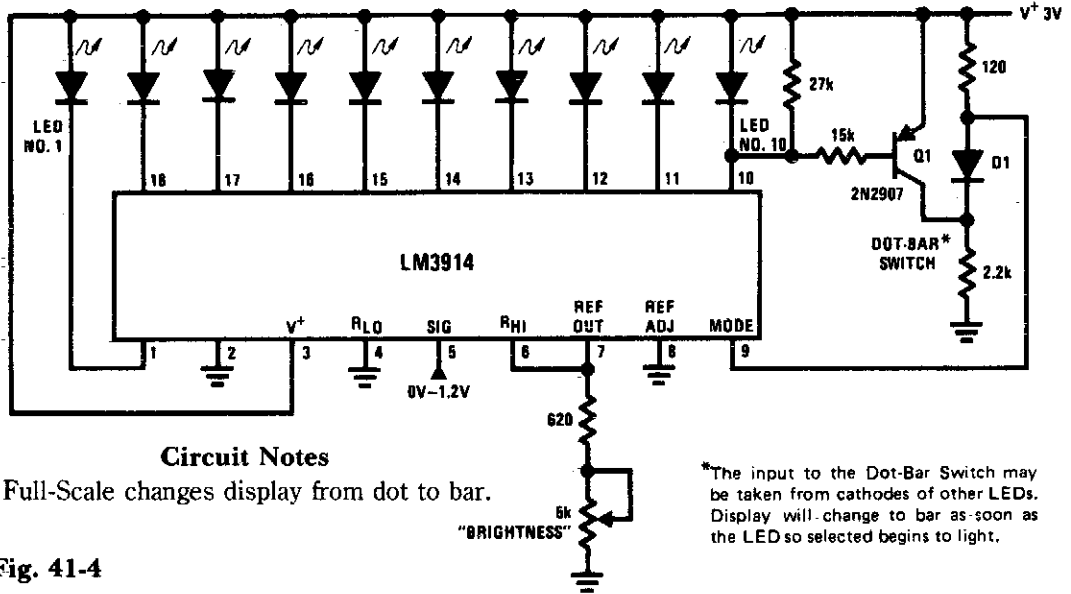
Fig. 41-3

### Circuit Notes

This circuit makes a very compact level indicator where a meter would be impractical or not justified due to cost. Resistor values will depend on type of LED used. For MV50 LEDs the resistors are 2 K for steps of approx 2 V and

current drain with all three LEDs on of 5 mA. The chain can be extended but current drain increases rapidly and the first LED carries all the current drawn from the supply.

### INDICATOR AND ALARM

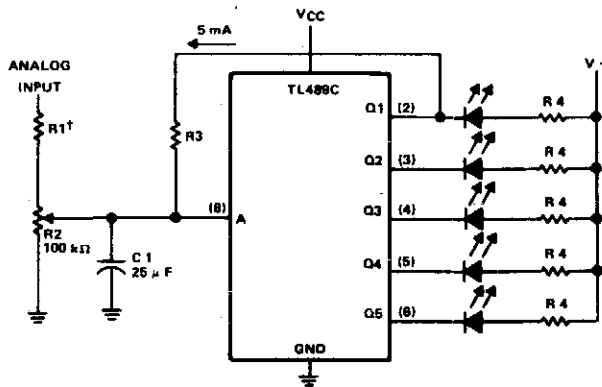


#### Circuit Notes

Full-Scale changes display from dot to bar.

Fig. 41-4

### FIVE-STEP VOLTAGE-LEVEL INDICATOR



† R1 is chosen to ensure that the voltage across R2 is less than 8 volts. Normally it will be set to 1 volt.

Fig. 41-5

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a visual indication of the input analog voltage level. It has a high input impedance at pin 8 and open-collector outputs capable of sinking up to 40 milliamperes. It is suitable for driving a linear array of

5 LEDs to indicate the level is 5 steps. The voltage at the analog input should be in the range of zero to approximately one volt and should never exceed eight volts.

### VISIBLE VOLTAGE INDICATOR

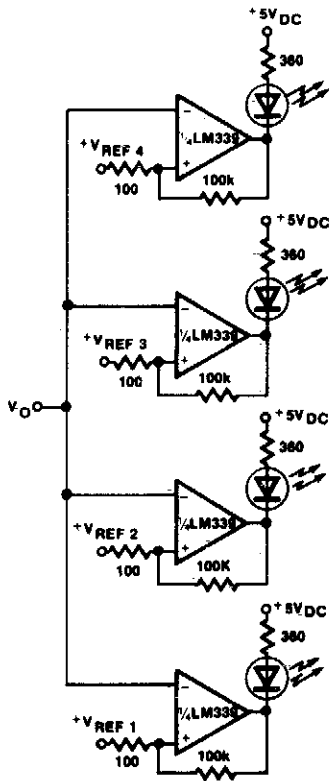


Fig. 41-6

### VOLTAGE LEVEL DETECTOR

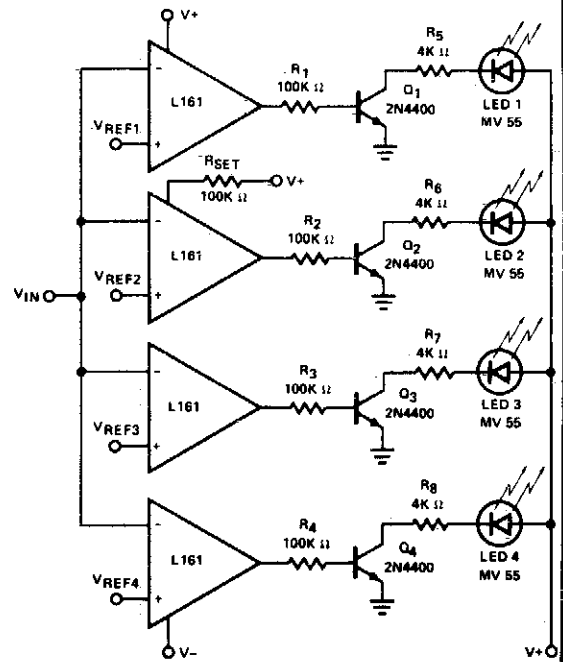


Fig. 41-8

### ZERO CENTER INDICATOR FOR FM RECEIVERS

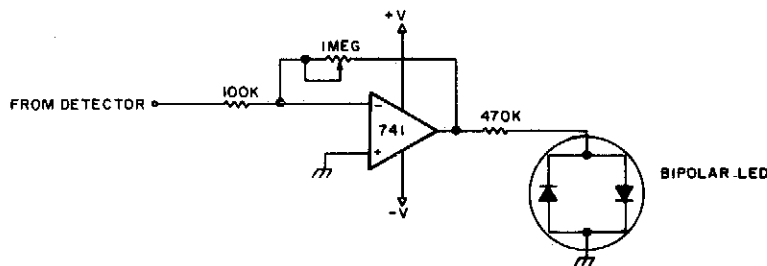
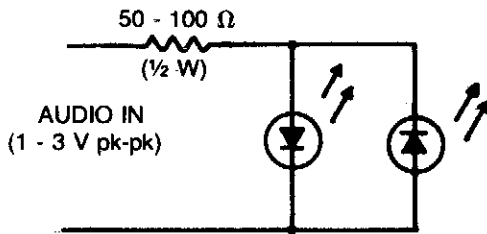


Fig. 41-7

#### Circuit Notes

To adjust, tune in a station and adjust the  $1M$  pot for a null. Then ask the station to modulate and fine adjust so modulation peaks don't light the LEDs. Stations are properly tuned when neither LED is lit.

## VISUAL ZERO-BEAT INDICATOR



LEDs: FAIRCHILD FLV-100 RED,  
OR MONSANTO MV-5094 RED/RED,  
OR MONSANTO MV-5491 RED/GREEN

Fig. 41-9

### Circuit Notes

Light-emitting diodes connected with reverse polarity provide a visual indication of zero-beat frequency. Each LED is on for only half a cycle of the input. When the input frequency is more than 1 kilohertz away from the zero-beat frequency, both LEDs appear to be on all the time. As the input frequency comes within about 20 hertz of zero beat, the LEDs will flicker until zero beat is reached. Both LEDs glow or flicker until zero beat is reached, when they go out.

# 42

## Infrared Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

IR Type Data Link

IR Remote Control Transmitter/Receiver

Compact IR Receiver

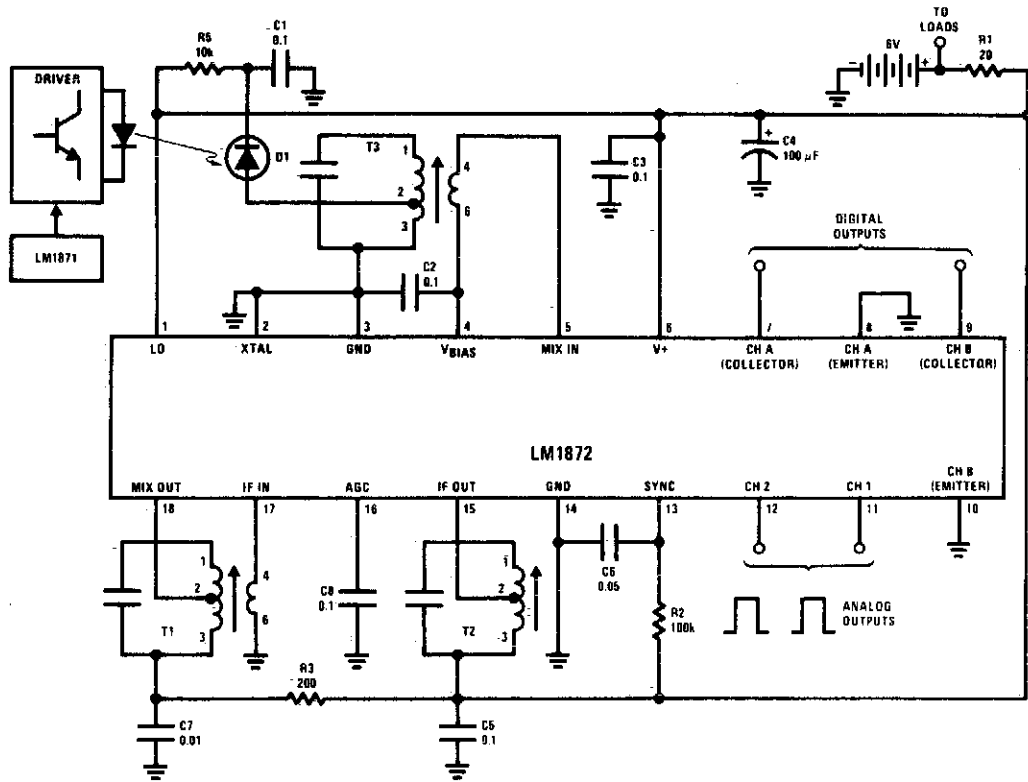
IR Transmitter

Remote Loudspeaker Via IR Link

Proximity Detector



# IR TYPE DATA LINK

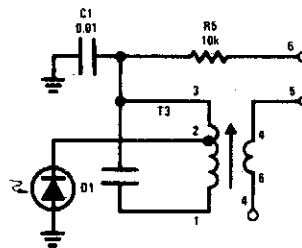


- R1 - Load decoupling
- R2 - Sync timer;  $R2 = \frac{t}{0.7 C6}$ ,  $R2 \leq 470k$
- R3 - Preamp decoupling
- R5 - Photodiode decoupling
- C1 - Photodiode decoupling
- C2 -  $V_{BIAS}$  bypass
- C3 -  $V^+$  bypass
- C4 - Load decoupling
- C5 - IF bypass; optional
- C6 - Sync timer;  $C6 = \frac{t_{SYNC}}{0.7 R2}$ ,  $C6 \leq 0.5 \mu F$
- C7 - Preamp decoupling
- C8 - AGC
- T1 - 455 kHz preamp transformer  
Toko\* 10 EZC type (RMC-502182),  $Q_u = 110$   
Pin 1-2, 82T; pin 2-3, 82T  
Pin 1-3, 164T; pin 4-5, 30T
- T2 - 455 kHz IF transformer  
Toko\* 10 EZC type (RMC-402503),  $Q_u = 110$   
Pin 1-2, 98T; pin 2-3, 66T  
Pin 1-3, 164T; pin 4-5, 8T
- T3 - 455 kHz input transformer  
Toko\* 10 EZC type (RMC-202313),  $Q_u = 110$   
Pin 1-2, 131T; pin 2-3, 33T  
Pin 1-3, 164T; pin 4-5, 5T
- D1 - PN or PIN Silicon Photodiode

### BOTTOM VIEW

| Photodiode, D1     | Active Area (cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Vactec VTS 5088    | 0.18                           |
| Vactec VTS 6089    | 0.52                           |
| UDT PIN 6D or 6 DP | 0.20                           |
| UDT PIN 220 DP     | 2.0                            |
| Siemens BPY 12     | 0.20                           |

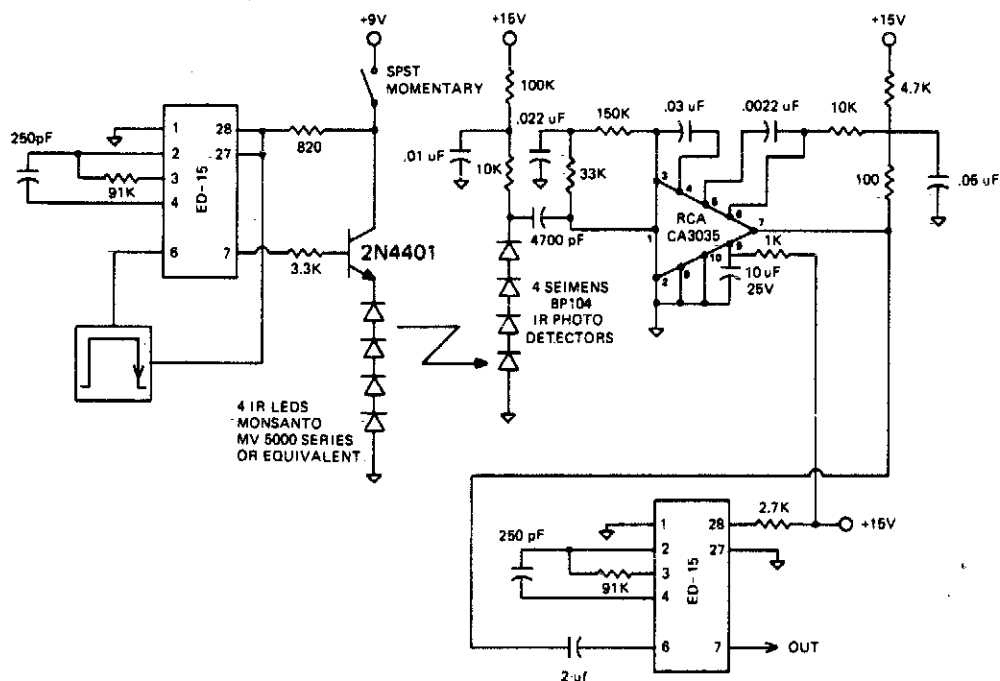
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5520 West Touhy Ave.  
Skokie, Ill. 60077  
(312)677-3640 Tlx: 72-4372



**Input Stage Where the Case of D1 is Connected to the Anode**

**Fig. 42-1**

## IR REMOTE CONTROL TRANSMITTER/RECEIVER



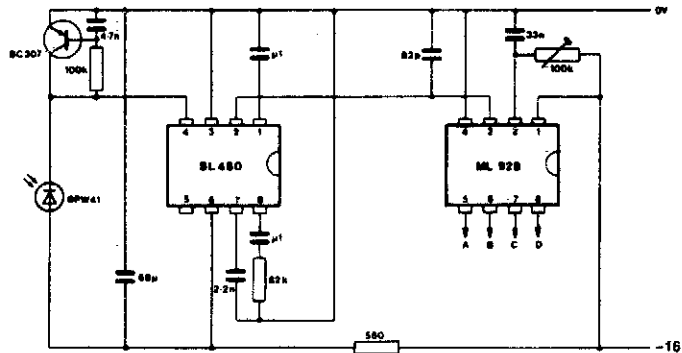
**Fig. 42-2**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is designed to operate at 25 kHz. The data stream turns the 2N4401 hard on or off depending upon the coded state. This in turn switches the series infrared LEDs on and

off. The receiver circuit consists of a three stage amplifier with photo diodes arrayed for maximum coverage of the reception area. The range of this set-up should be about 10 meters.

## COMPACT IR RECEIVER



**Fig. 42-3**

## IR TRANSMITTER

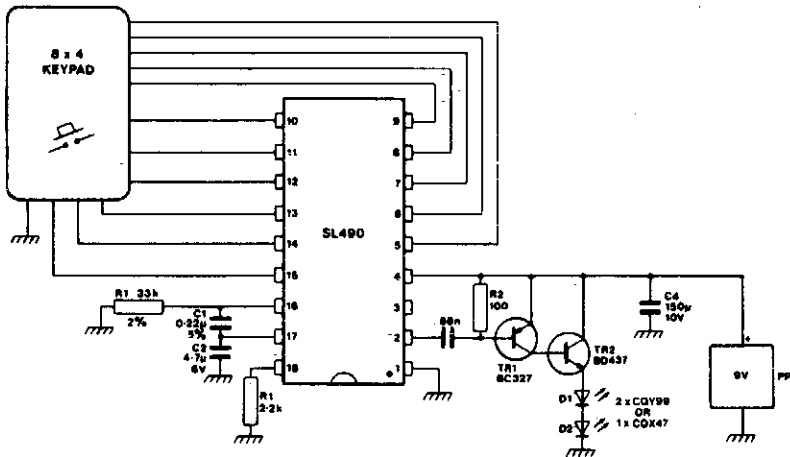


Fig. 42-4

### Circuit Notes

This simple infra-red transmitter, where the PPM output from pin 2 of the SL490 is fed to the base of the PNP transmitter TR1, pro-

duces an amplified current pulse about 15  $\mu$ sec wide. This pulse is further amplified by TR2 and applied to the infra-red diodes D1 and D2.

## REMOTE LOUDSPEAKER VIA IR LINK

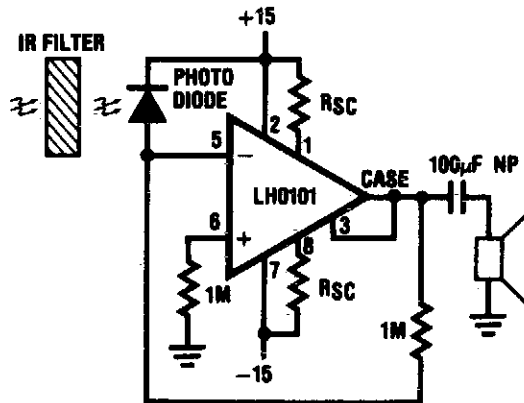
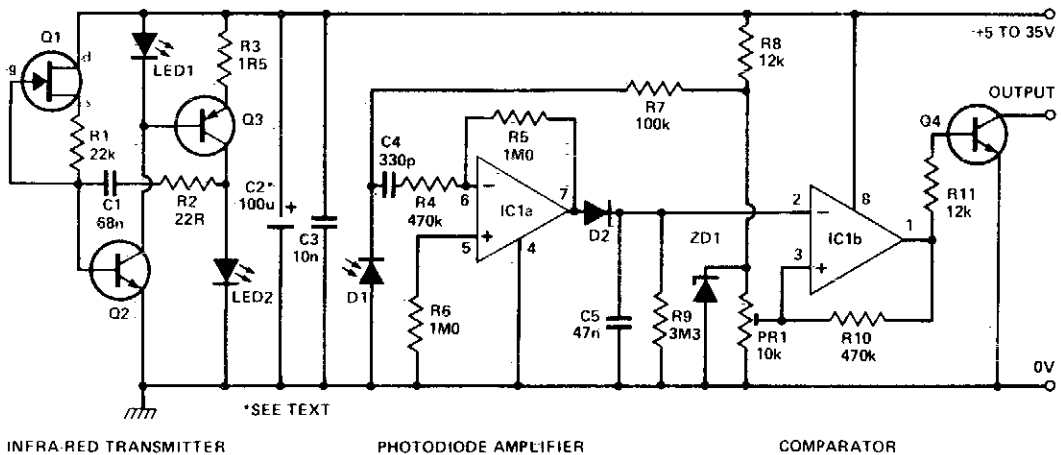


Fig. 42-5

## PROXIMITY DETECTOR

NOTE  
 IC1 IS CA3240  
 Q1 IS 2N3819  
 Q2,4 ARE BC184L  
 Q3 IS 8D140

D1 IS PHOTODIODE  
 D2 IS 1N4148  
 ZD1 IS 2V7 400mW ZENER  
 LED1 IS 3mm RED LED  
 LED2 IS IS INFRA-RED LED



**Fig. 42-6**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a means of detecting the presence of anything by the reflection of infra-red light and provides a direct digital output of object detection. By the use of modulation and high power bursts of infra-red at a very low duty cycle, a detection range of over a foot is achieved. Works on the principle of transmit-

ting a beam of modulated infra-red light from the emitter diode LED2, and receiving reflections from objects passing in front of the beam with a photodiode detector D1. The circuit consists of an infra-red transmitter, photodiode amplifier, and a variable threshold comparator.

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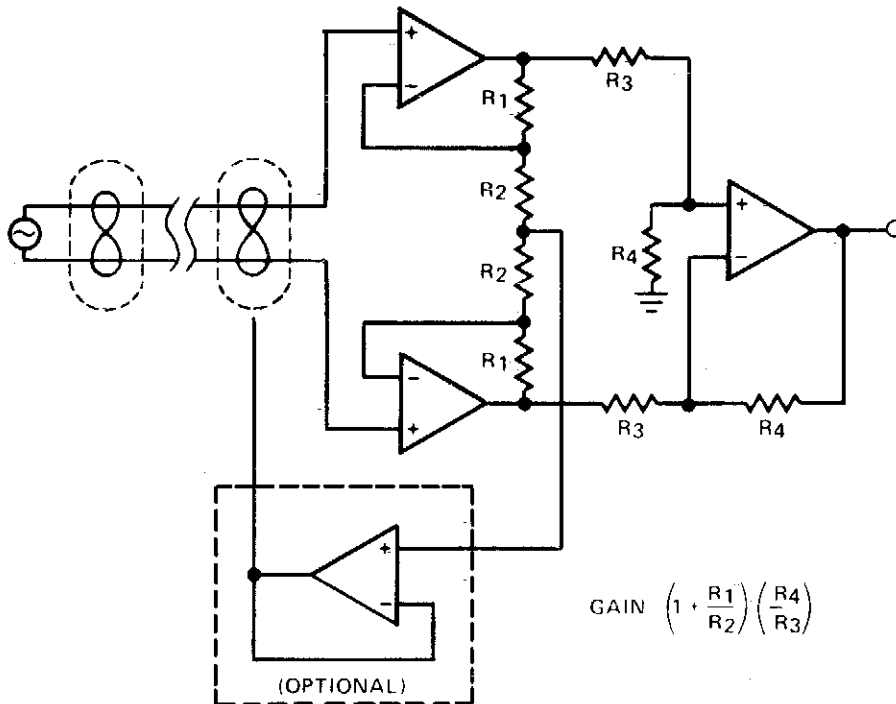
## Instrumentation Amplifiers

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- Instrumentation Amplifier
- Triple Op-Amp Instrumentation Amplifier
- Differential Input Instrumentation Amplifier with High CMRR
- Instrumentation Amplifier with High CMRR
- Level-Shifting Isolation Amplifier
- Variable Gain, Differential-Input Instrumentation Amplifier
- Instrumentation Amplifier
- Low Signal Level, High Impedance Instrumentation Amplifier
- Chopper Channel Amplifier
- Battery Powered Buffer Amplifier for Standard Cell
- Bridge Transducer Amplifier
- Instrumentation Amplifier
- Isolation Amplifier for Medical Telemetry
- High Gain Differential Instrumentation Amplifier
- High Impedance Bridge Amplifier
- Instrumentation Amplifier (Two Op Amp Design)
- Instrumentation Amplifier
- Differential Input Instrumentation Amplifier
- High Impedance Differential Amplifier
- High Speed Instrumentation Amplifier
- Very High Impedance Instrumentation Amplifier
- Precision FET Input Instrumentation Amplifier
- High Stability Thermocouple Amplifier
- High Stability Thermocouple Amplifier
- High Impedance, Low Drift Instrumentation Amplifier

## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 43-1**

### Circuit Notes

Instrumentation amplifiers (differential amplifiers) are specifically designed to extract and amplify small differential signals from much larger common mode voltages. To serve as building blocks in instrumentation amplifiers, op amps must have very low offset voltage drift, high gain and wide bandwidth.

The HA-4620/5604 is suited for this application. The optional circuitry makes use of the fourth amplifier section as a shield driver which enhances the ac common mode rejection by nullifying the effects of capacitance-to-ground mismatch between input conductors.

### TRIPLE OP-AMP INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

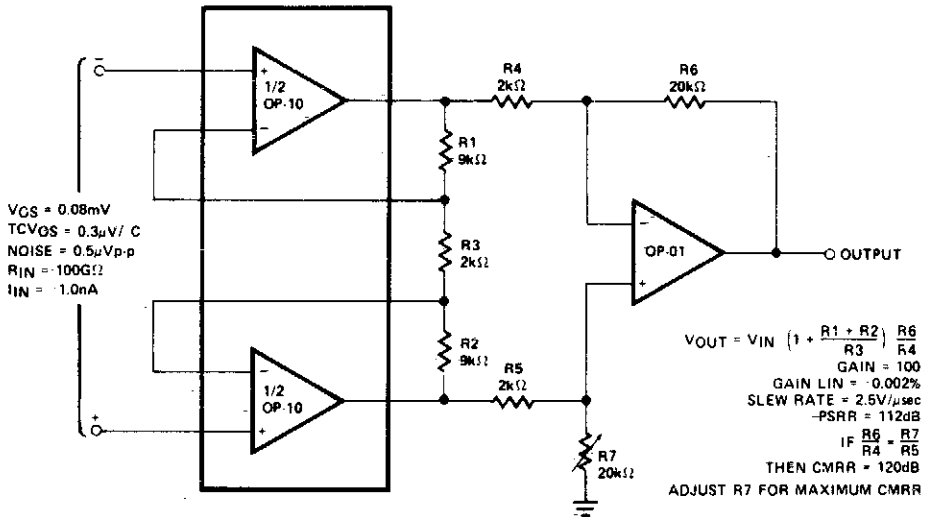


Fig. 43-2

### DIFFERENTIAL INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER WITH HIGH COMMON MODE REJECTION

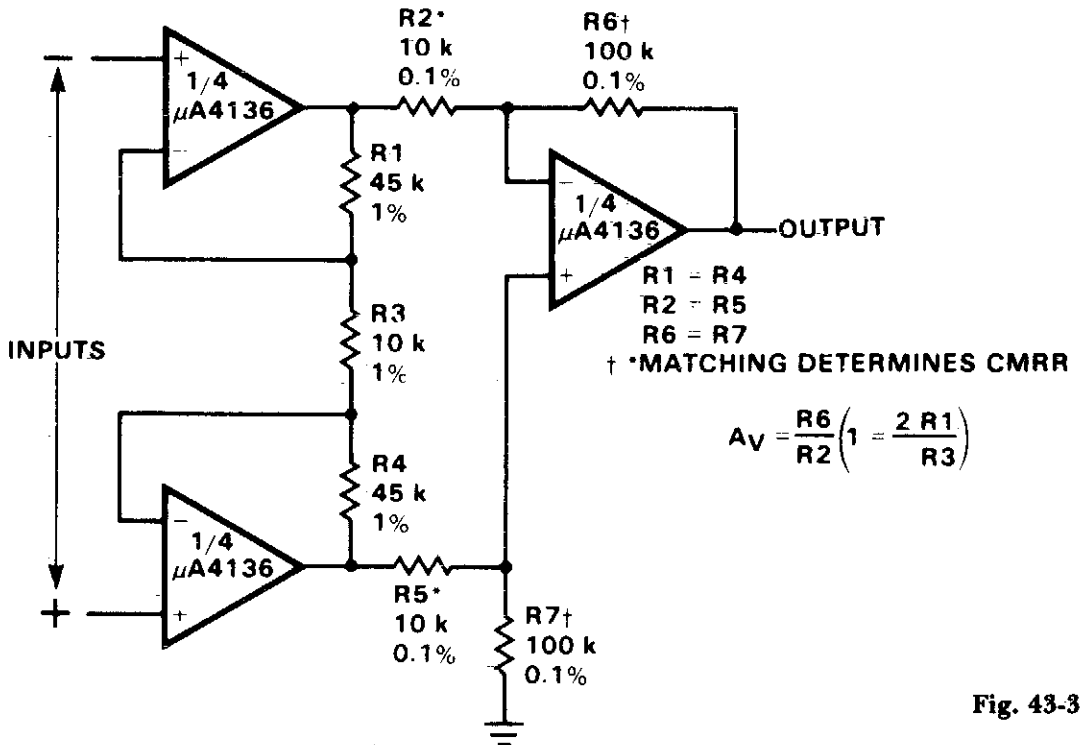


Fig. 43-3

### INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER WITH HIGH COMMON MODE REJECTION

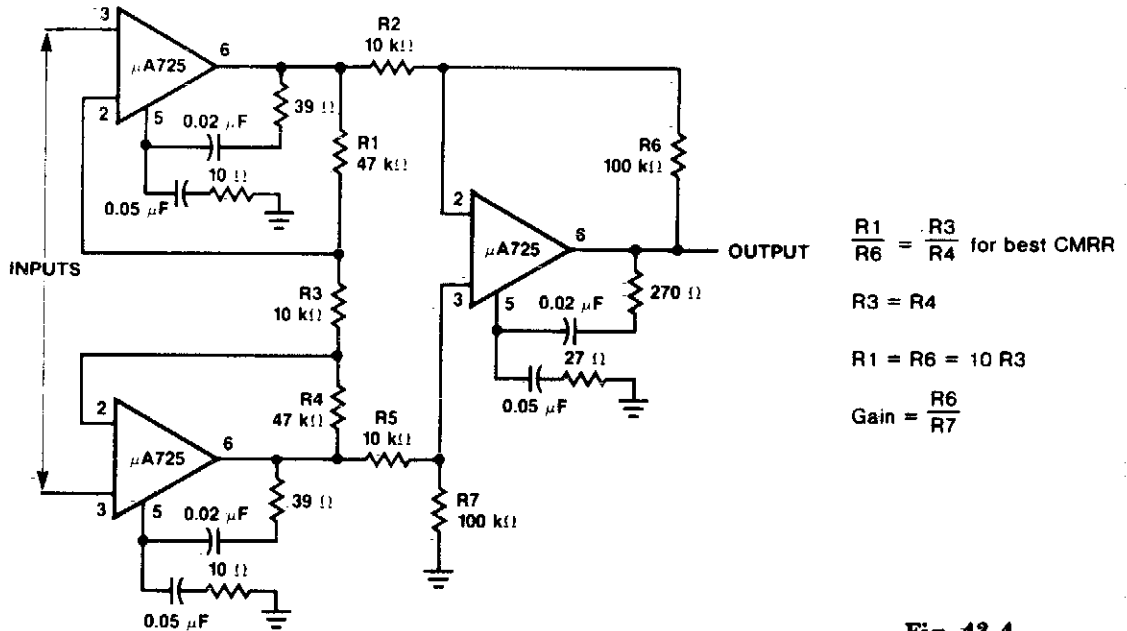


Fig. 43-4

### LEVEL-SHIFTING ISOLATION AMPLIFIER

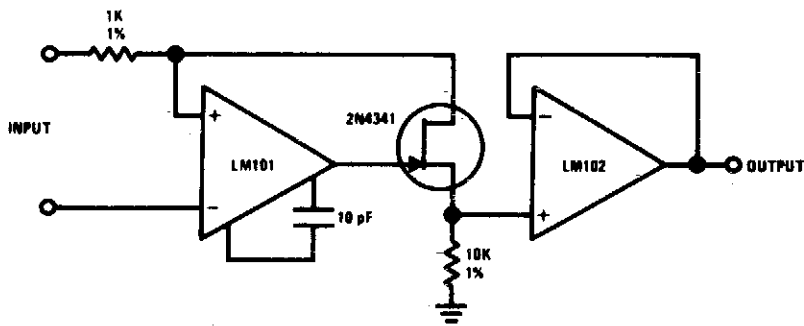


Fig. 43-5

#### Circuit Notes

The 2N4341 JFET is used as a level shifter between two op amps operated at different power supply voltages. The JFET is ideally

suited for this type of application because  $I_b = I_s$ .



### VARIABLE GAIN, DIFFERENTIAL-INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

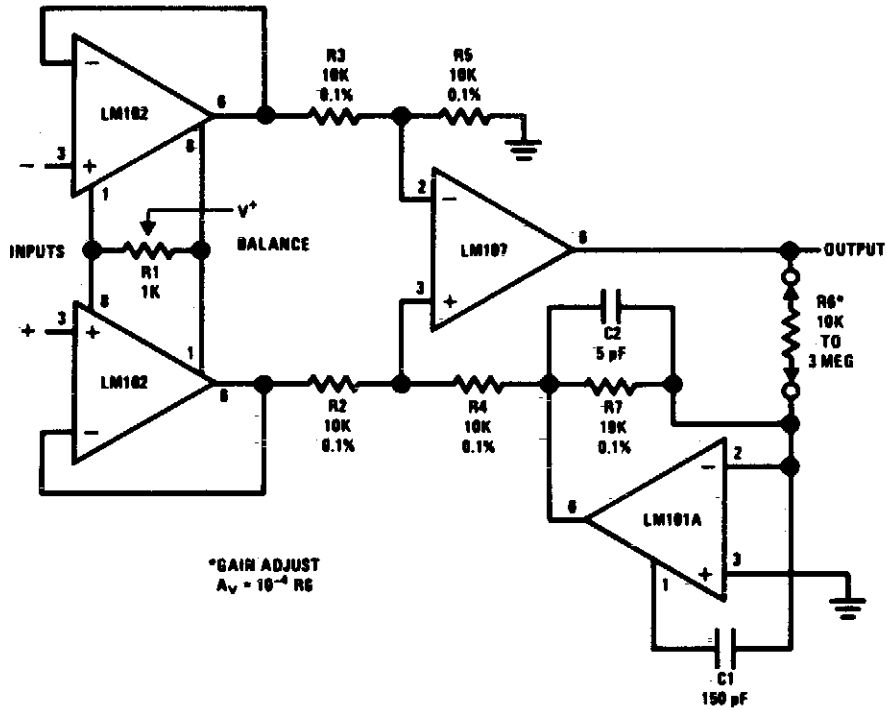


Fig. 43-6

### INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

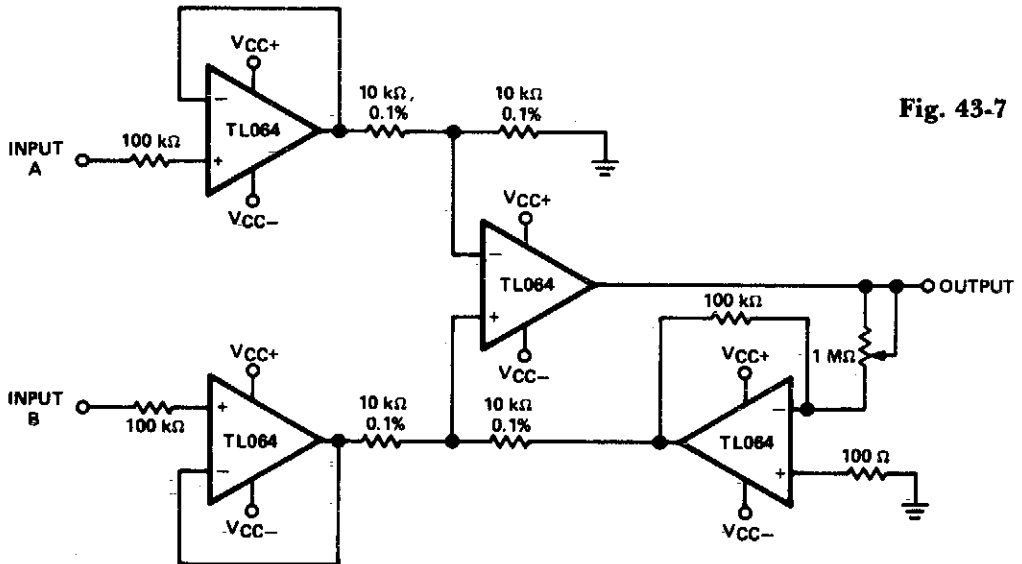


Fig. 43-7

### LOW SIGNAL LEVEL, HIGH IMPEDANCE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

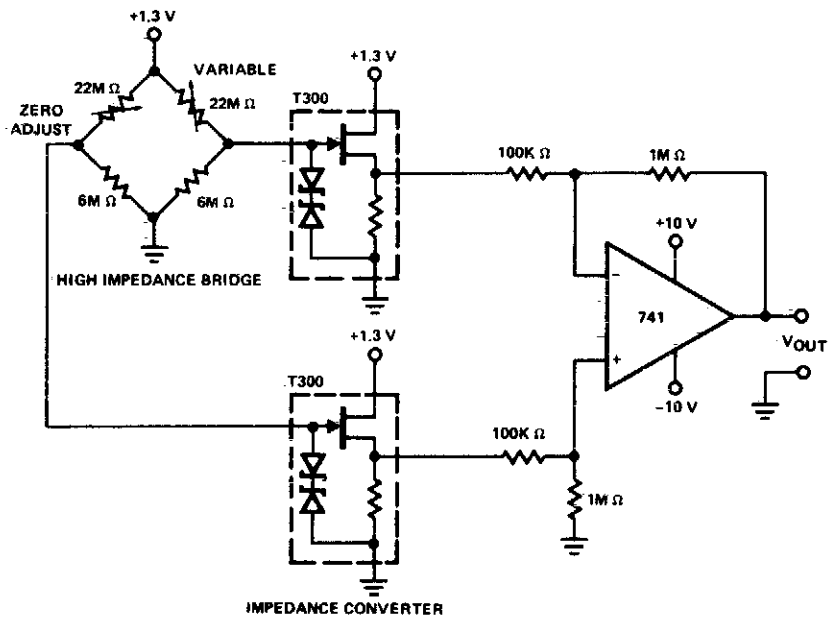


Fig. 43-8

### CHOPPER CHANNEL AMPLIFIER

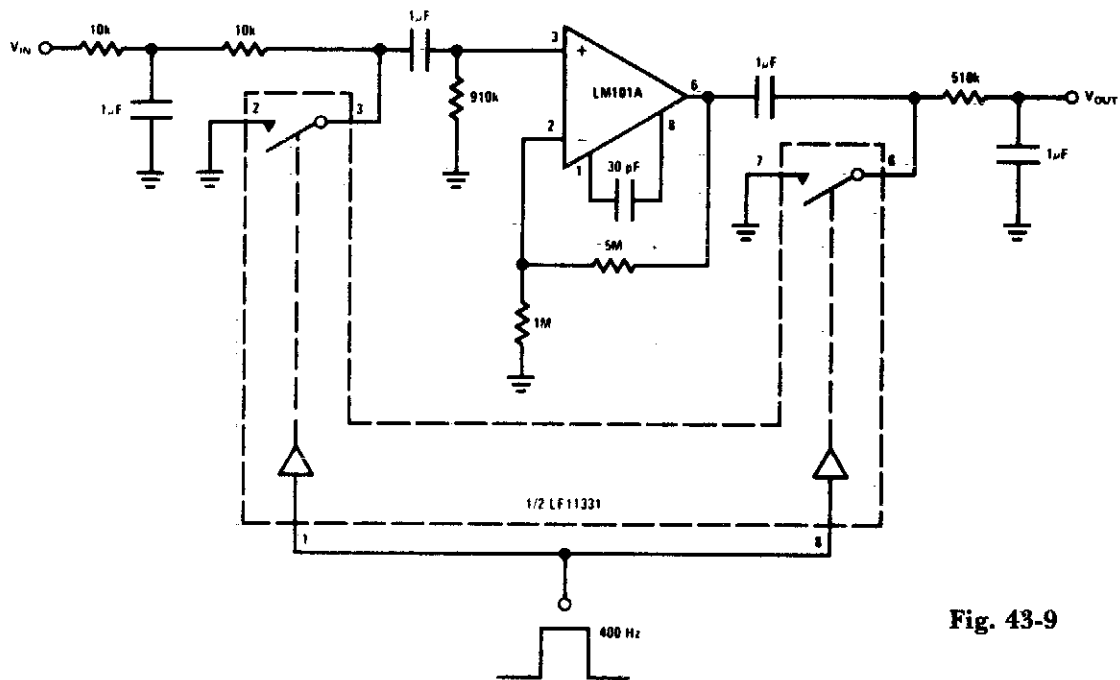
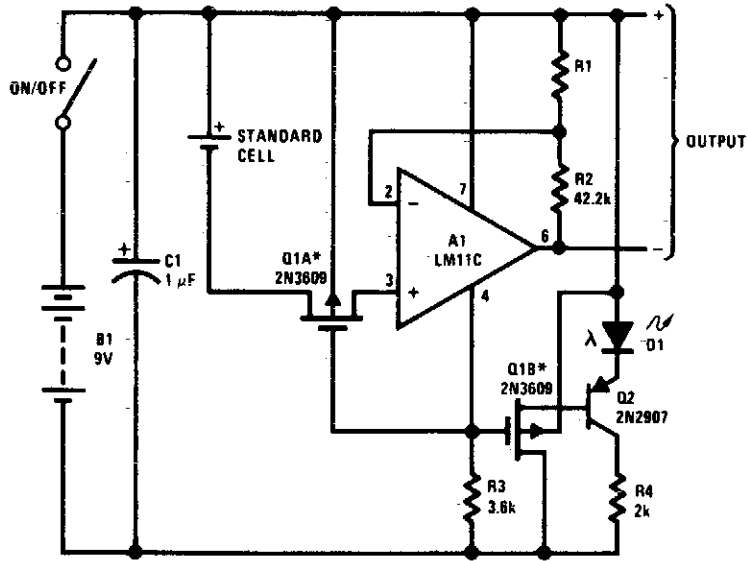


Fig. 43-9

### BATTERY POWERED BUFFER AMPLIFIER FOR STANDARD CELL



\* cannot have gate protection diode;  $V_{TH} > V_{OUT}$

Fig. 43-10

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has negligible loading and disconnects the cell for low supply voltage or overload on output. The indicator diode extinguishes as disconnect circuitry is activated.

### BRIDGE TRANSDUCER AMPLIFIER

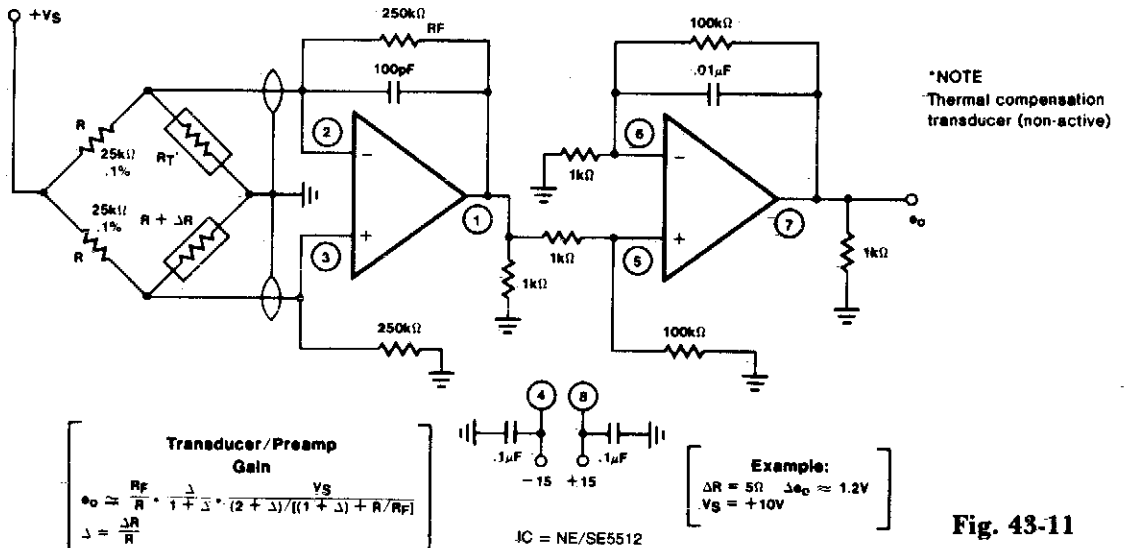


Fig. 43-11

## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

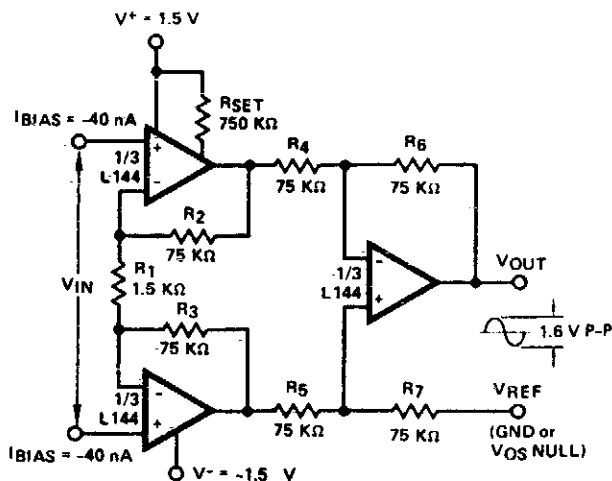


Fig. 43-12

$$A_v = 1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}$$

$P_D = 135 \mu W$   
 $V_{OS} (TYP) RTI = 0.45 mV$

### Circuit Notes

Three-amplifier circuit consumes only  $135 \mu W$  of power from a  $\pm 1.5 V$  power supply. With a gain of 101, the instrumentation amplifier is ideal in sensor interface and biomedical preamplifier applications. The first

stage provides all of the gain while the second stage is used to provide common mode rejection and double-ended to single-ended conversion.

## ISOLATION AMPLIFIER FOR MEDICAL TELEMETRY

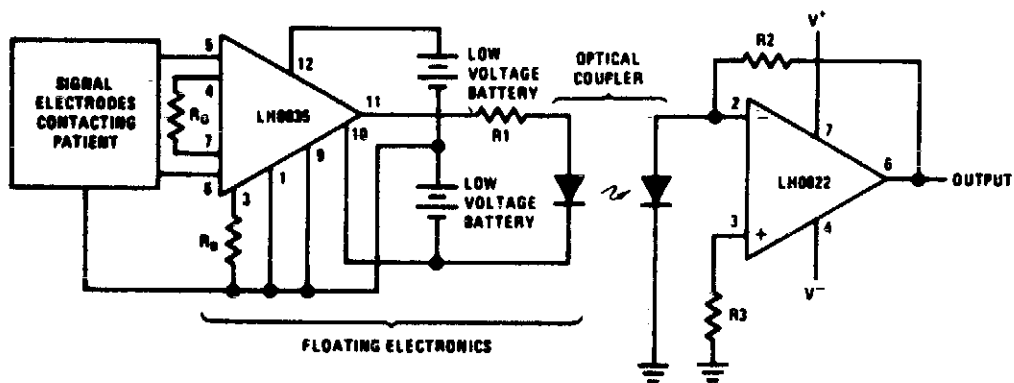


Fig. 43-13

## HIGH GAIN DIFFERENTIAL INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

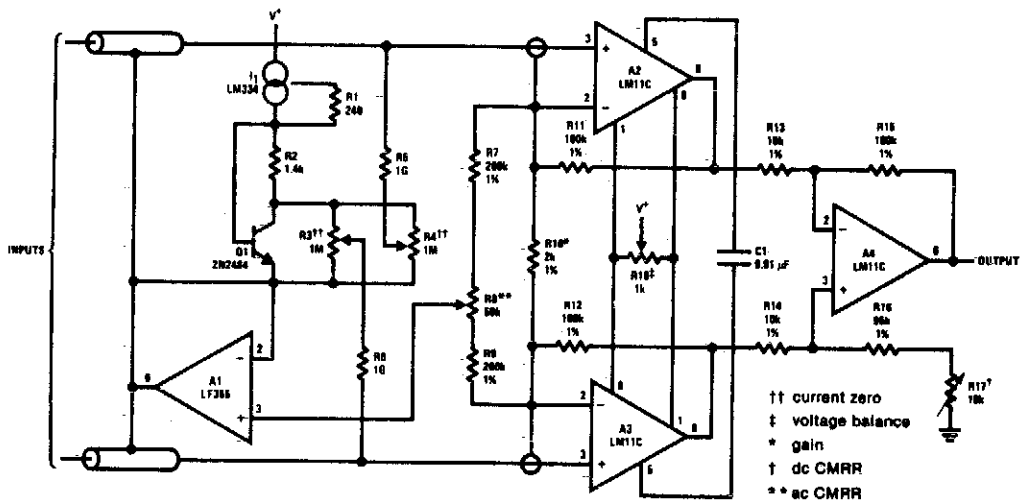


Fig. 43-14

### Circuit Notes

This circuit includes input guarding, cable bootstrapping, and bias current compensation. Differential bandwidth is reduced by C1 which also makes common-mode rejection less dependent on matching of input amplifiers.

## HIGH IMPEDANCE BRIDGE AMPLIFIER

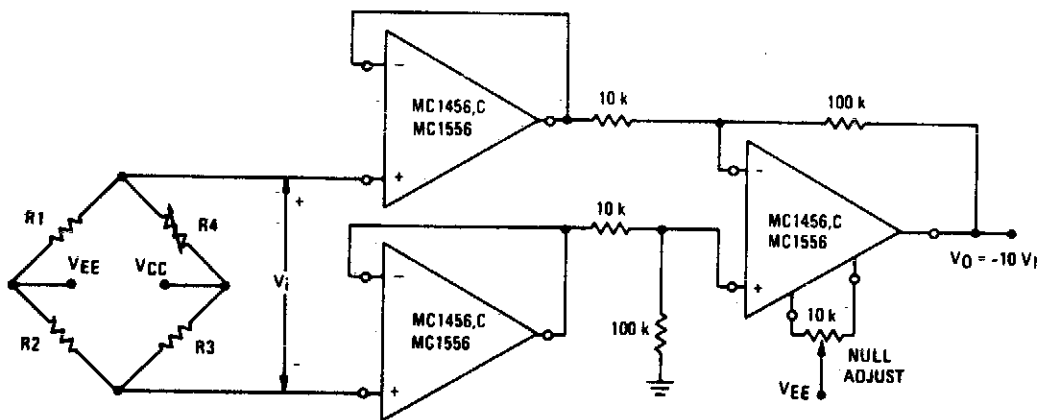


Fig. 43-15

### INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER (TWO OP AMP DESIGN)

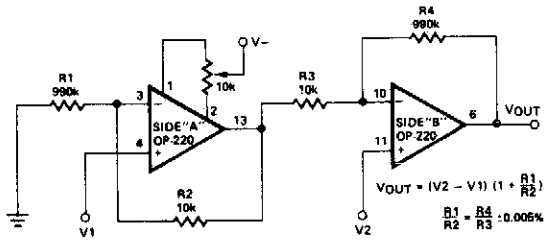


Fig. 43-16

### HIGH IMPEDANCE DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER

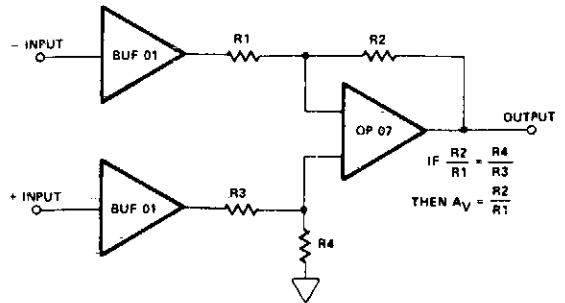


Fig. 43-19

### INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

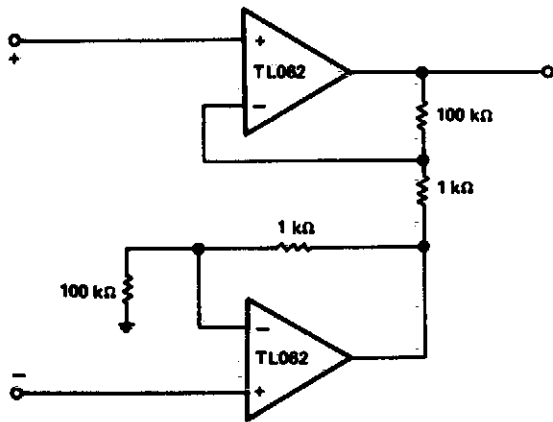


Fig. 43-17

### HIGH SPEED INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

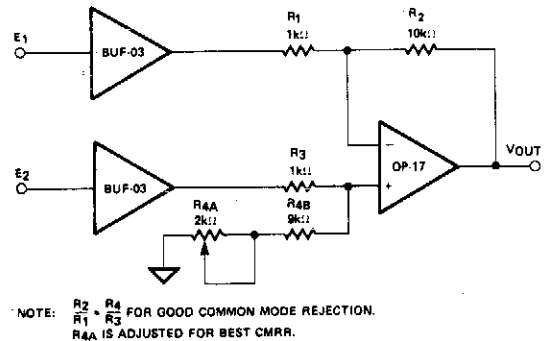


Fig. 43-20

### DIFFERENTIAL INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

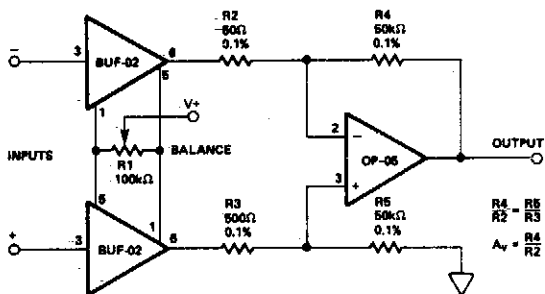


Fig. 43-18

### VERY HIGH IMPEDANCE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

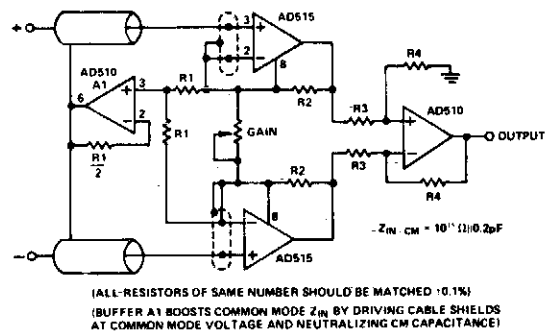
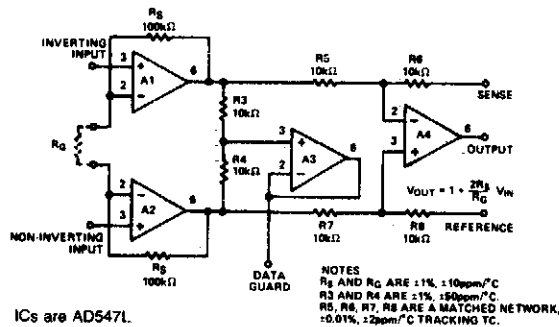


Fig. 43-21

### PRECISION FET INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



ICs are AD547L.

Fig. 43-22

### HIGH STABILITY THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER

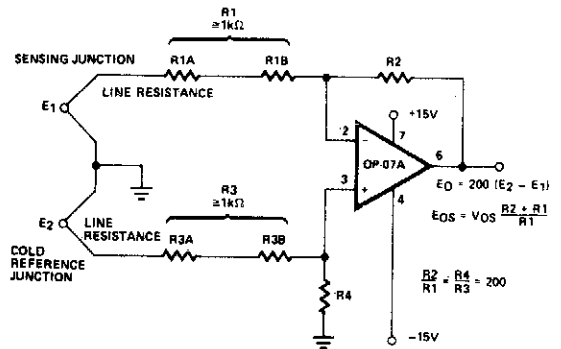


Fig. 43-24

### HIGH STABILITY THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER

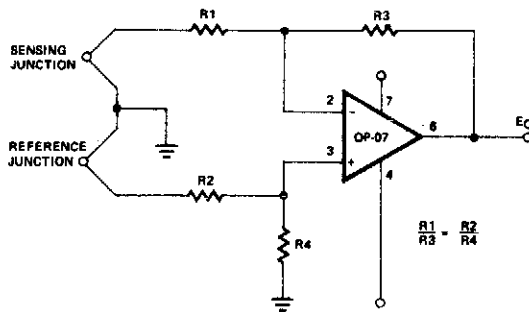
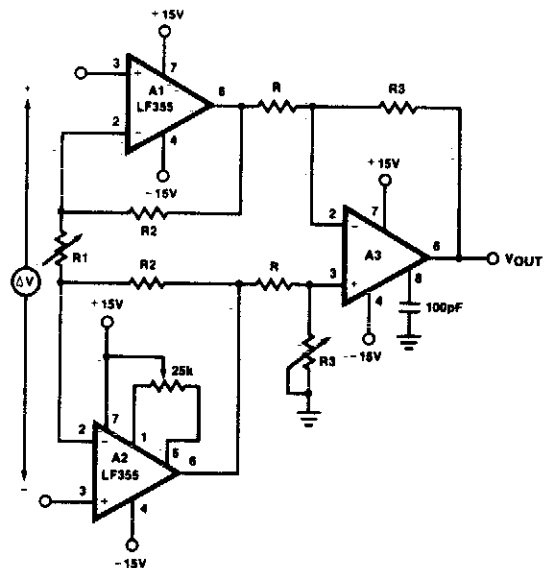


Fig. 43-23

### HIGH IMPEDANCE LOW DRIFT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R_3}{R} \left[ \frac{2R_2}{R_1} + 1 \right] \Delta V, \quad V_- + 2V \leq V_{IN \text{ Common-Mode}} \leq V_+$$

- System  $V_{OS}$  adjusted via A2  $V_{OS}$  adjust
- Trim R3 to boost up CMRR to 120dB.

Fig. 43-25

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## Light Activated Circuits

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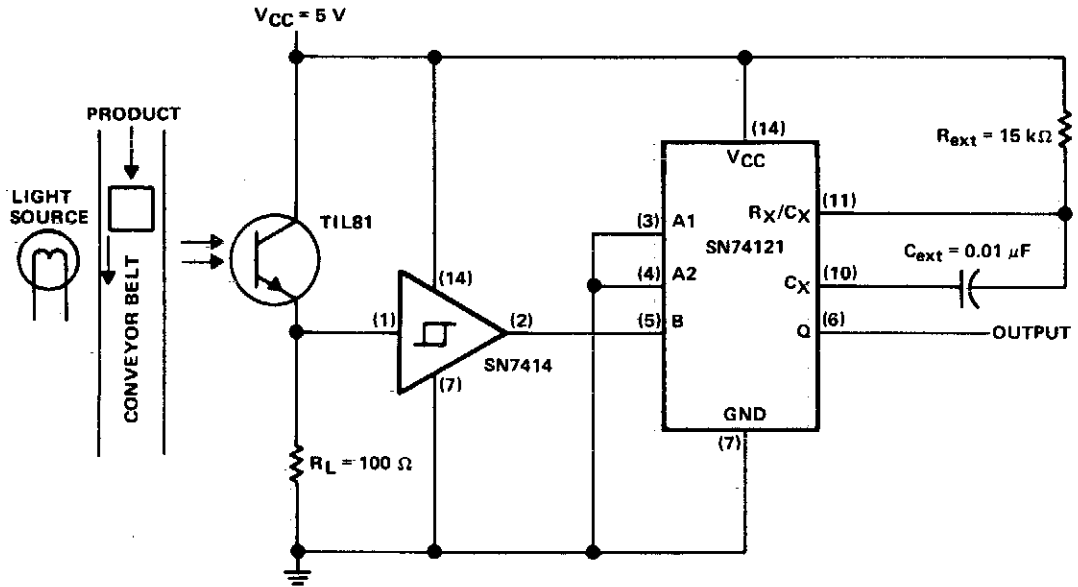
Pulse Generation by Interrupting a Light Beam  
Optical Communication System  
Four Quadrant Photo-Conductive Detector Amplifier  
Precision Photodiode Comparator  
Automatic Night Light  
Receiver for 50 kHz FM Optional Transmitter  
Photodiode Amplifier  
Optical Schmitt Trigger

Adjustable Light Detection Switch  
Photocell Memory Switch for AC Power Control  
Optical Transmitter  
Light Interruption Detector  
Optical Receiver  
Light Isolated Power Relay Circuit  
Precision Photodiode Level Detector  
Light Beam Operated On-Off Relay  
Logarithmic Light Sensor  
FM (PRM) Optical Transmitter

Light Level Sensor



## PULSE GENERATION BY INTERRUPTING A LIGHT BEAM



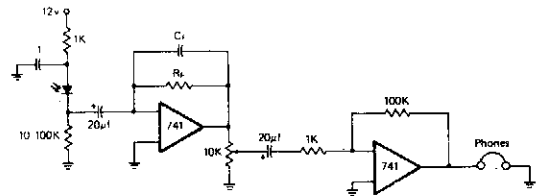
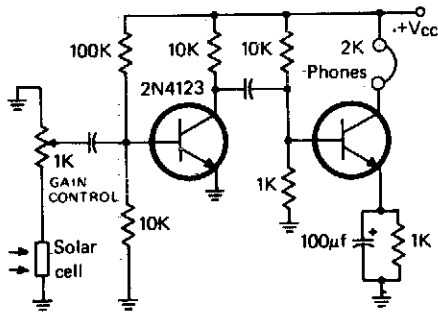
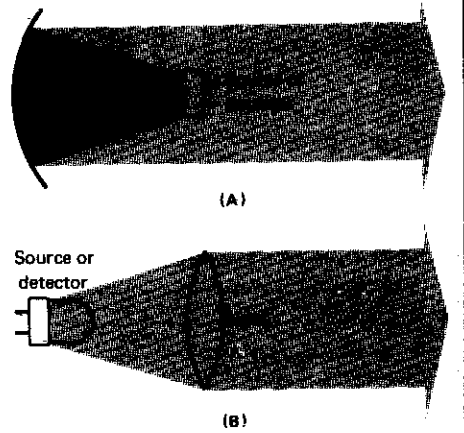
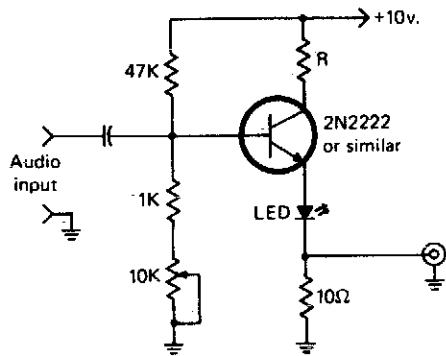
**Fig. 44-1**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit puts out a pulse when an object on the conveyor belt blocks the light source. The light source keeps the phototransistor turned on. This produces a high-logic-level voltage at the Schmitt-trigger inverter

and a TTL-compatible low logic level at pin 5 of the monostable. When an object blocks the light, TIL81 turns off the Schmitt-trigger inverter to trigger the one shot.

## OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM



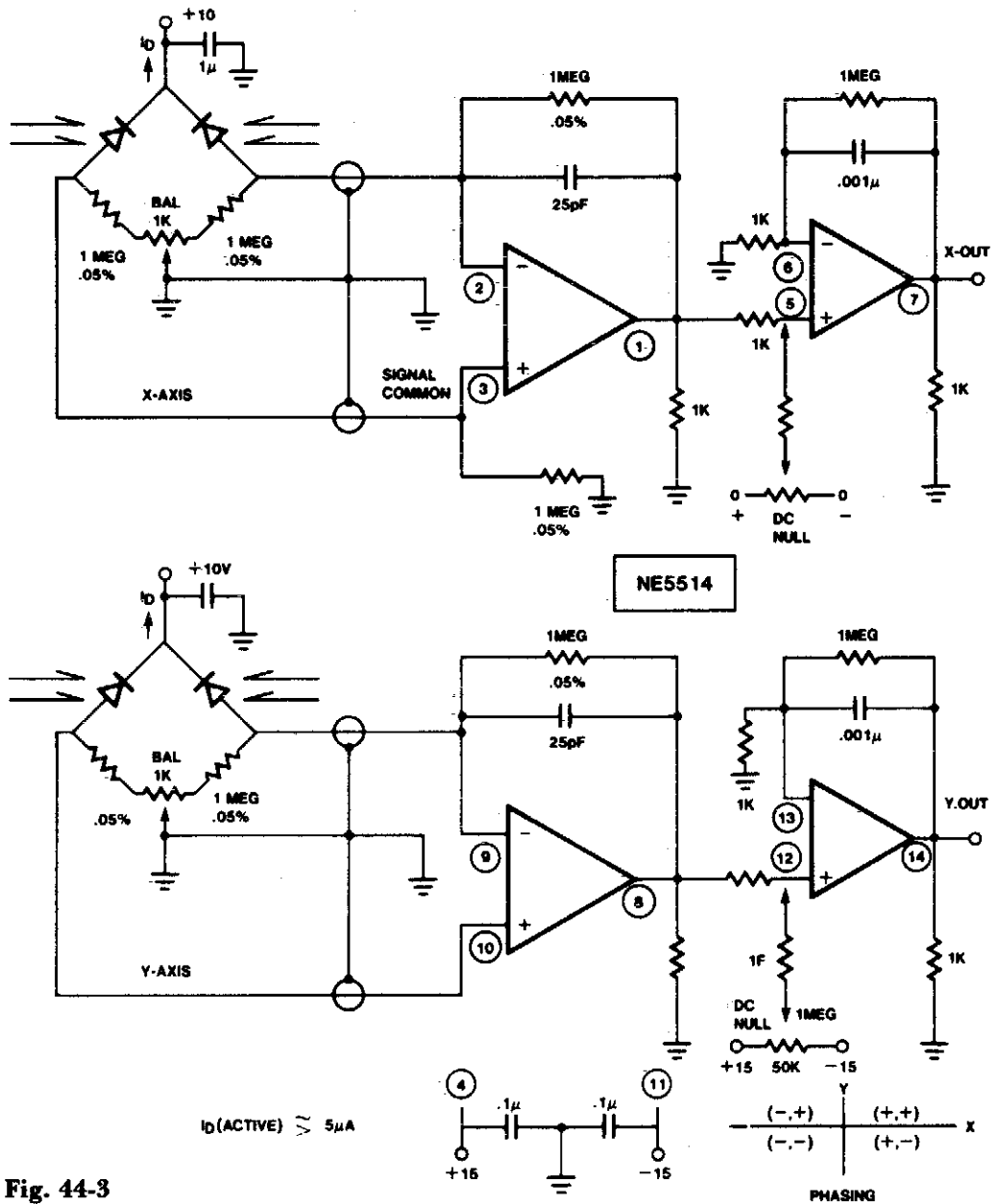
### Circuit Notes

The simple modulator stage will accommodate most common LEDs. By adjusting the potentiometer, the bias of the transistor is varied until the LED is at its half output point. Then, audio will cause it to vary and

below this point. The purpose of R1 is to limit the current through the LED to a safe level and the purpose of the 10 ohm resistor is to allow a portion of the modulating signal to be observed on a scope.

**Fig. 44-2**

## FOUR QUADRANT PHOTO-CONDUCTIVE DETECTOR AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 44-3**

### Circuit Notes

Use this circuit to sense four quadrant motion of a light source. By proper summing of the signals from the X and Y axes, four quadrant output may be fed to an X-Y plotter, oscilloscope, or computer for simulation. IC = NE/SE5514

### PRECISION PHOTODIODE COMPARATOR

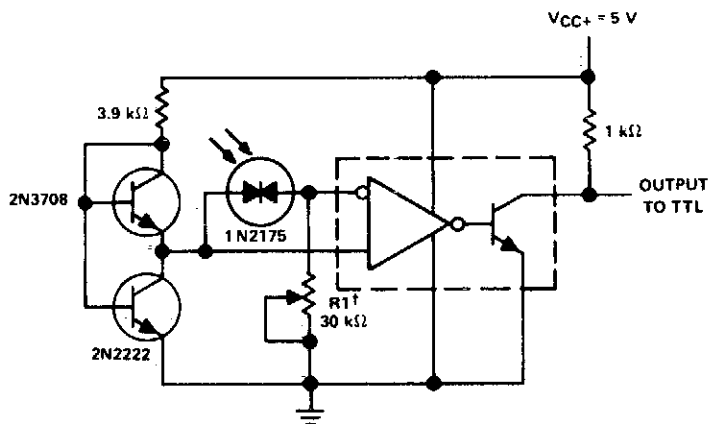


Fig. 44-4

#### Circuit Notes

R1 sets the comparison level. At comparison, the photodiode has less than 5 mV across it, decreasing dark current by an order of magnitude. IC = LM 111/211/311.

### AUTOMATIC NIGHT LIGHT

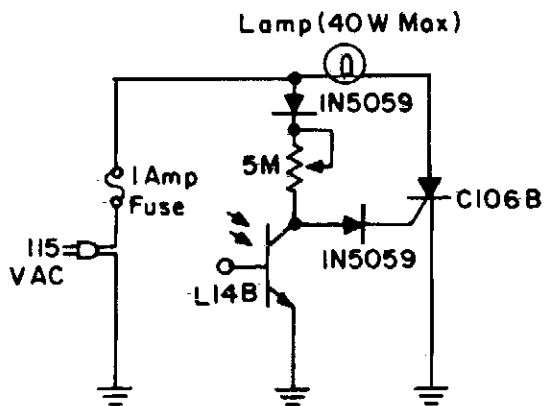


Fig. 44-5

#### Circuit Notes

During daylight hours, the L14B photo-Darlington (JEDEC registered as 2N5777 through 2N5780) shunts all gate current to ground. At night, the L14B effectively provides a high resistance, diverting the current into the gate of the C106B and turning on the lamp.

## RECEIVER FOR 50 kHz FM OPTICAL TRANSMITTER

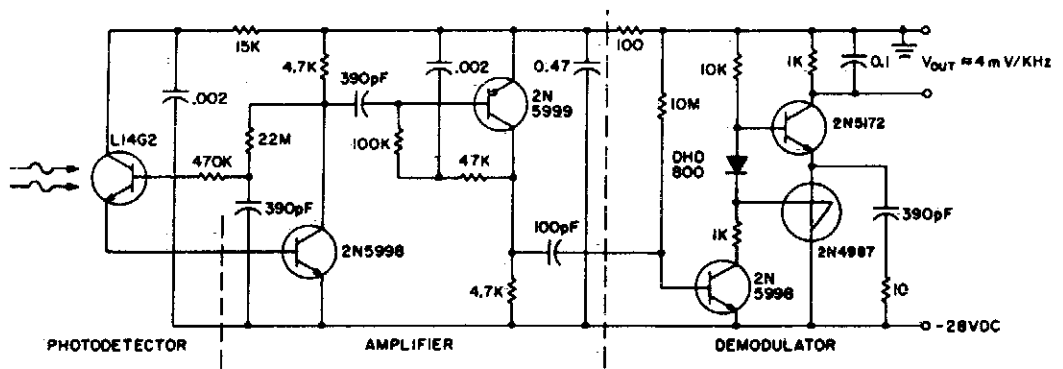


Fig. 44-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit consists of a L14G2 detector, two stages of gain, and a FM demodulator. Better sensitivity can be obtained using more stages of stabilized gain with AGC.

## PHOTODIODE AMPLIFIER

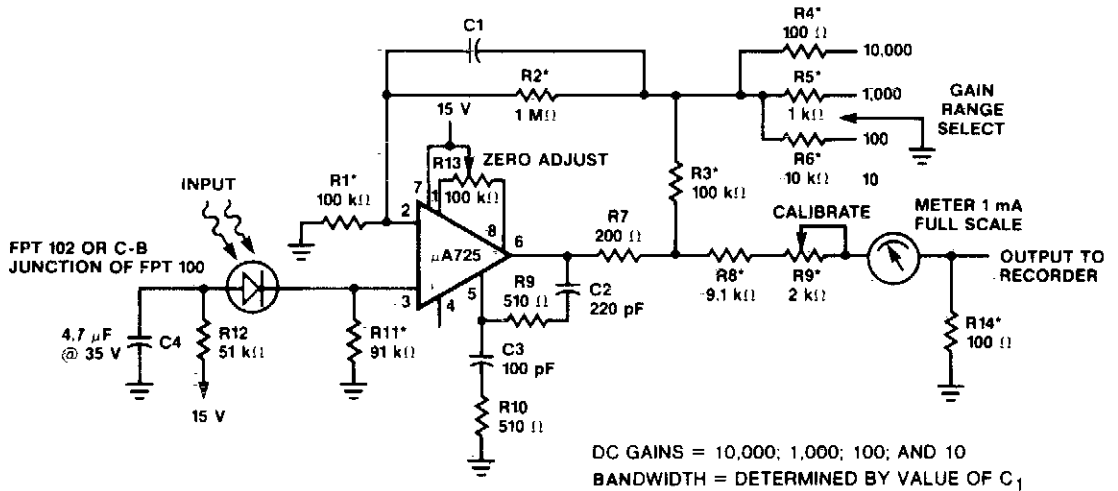


Fig. 44-7

### OPTICAL SCHMITT TRIGGER

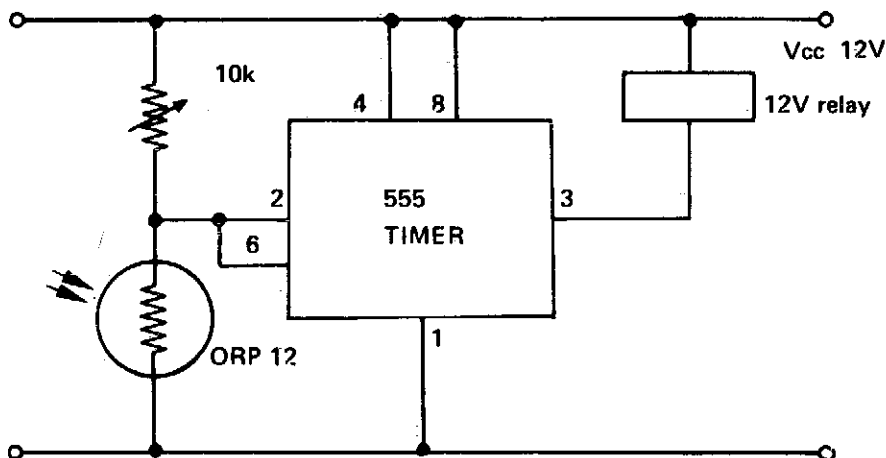


Fig. 44-8

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit shows a 555 with its trigger and threshold inputs connected together used to energize a relay when the light level on a photoconductive cell falls below a preset value.

Circuit can be used in other applications where a high input impedance and low output impedance are required with the minimum component count.

### ADJUSTABLE LIGHT DETECTION SWITCH

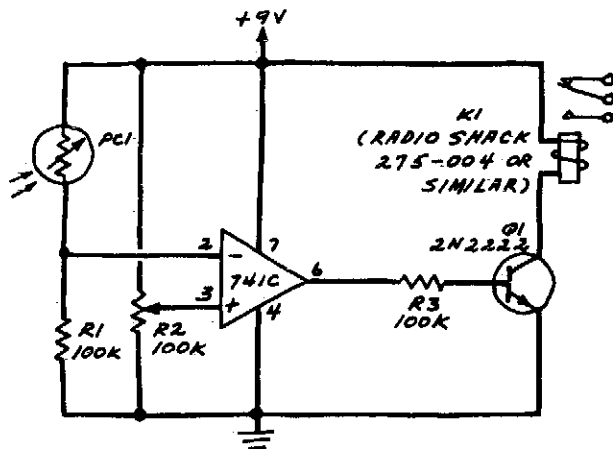


Fig. 44-9

#### Circuit Notes

R2 sets the circuit's threshold. When the light intensity at PCI's surface is decreased, the resistance of PCI a cadmium-sulfide photoresistor is increased. This decreases the voltage at the inverting input of the 741. When the

reference voltage at the 741's noninverting input is properly adjusted via R2, the comparator will switch from low to high when PCI is darkened. This turns on Q1 which, in turn, pulls in relay K1.

## PHOTOCELL MEMORY SWITCH FOR AC POWER CONTROL

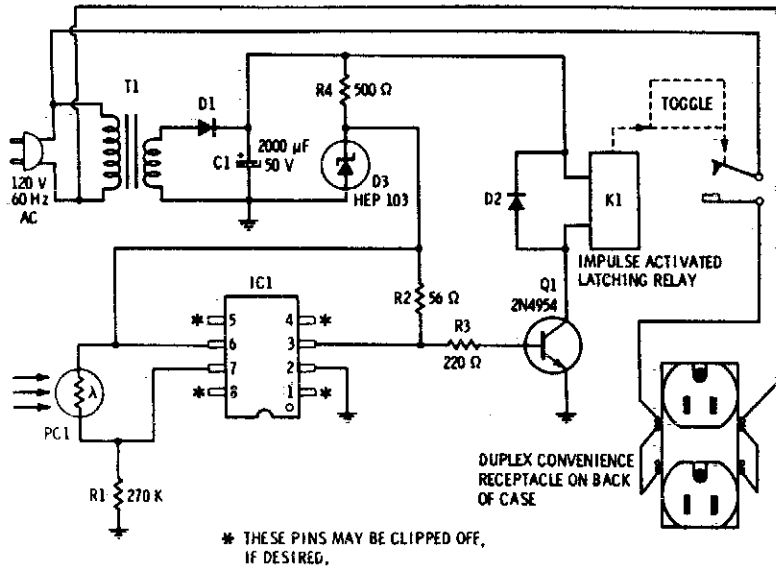


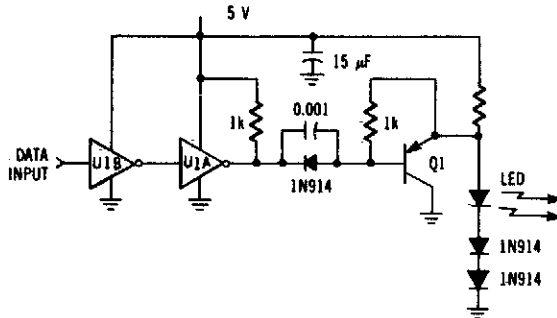
Fig. 44-10

### Circuit Notes

Provides remote control for ac-powered devices by using the beam of a flashlight as a magic wand. The important aspect of this gadget is that it remembers. Activate it once to apply power to a device and it stays on. Acti-

vate it a second time and power goes off and stays off. It consists of a combination of a high-sensitivity photocell, a high-gain IC Schmitt trigger, and an impulse-actuated latching relay.

## OPTICAL TRANSMITTER

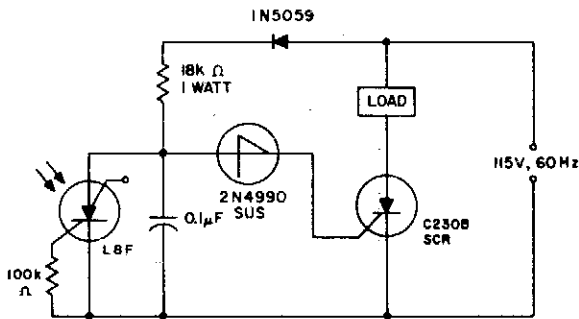


### Circuit Notes

Driver circuit uses an MC74LS04 and one discrete transistor. The circuit can drive the LED (MFOE1200) at up to 1 Mbps data rate.

Fig. 44-11

## LIGHT INTERRUPTION DETECTOR

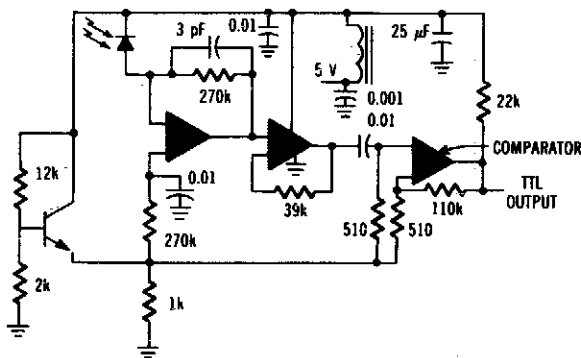


**Fig. 44-12**

### Circuit Notes

When the light incident on the LASCR is interrupted, the voltage at the anode to the 2N4990 unilateral switch goes positive on the next positive cycle of the power which in turn triggers the switch and the C2308 SCR when the switching voltage of the unilateral switch is reached. This will cause the load to be energized for as long as light is not incident on the LASCR.

## OPTICAL RECEIVER



### Circuit Notes

The MFOD1100 PIN diode requires shielding from emi.

**Fig. 44-13**



## LIGHT ISOLATED SOLID STATE POWER RELAY CIRCUITS

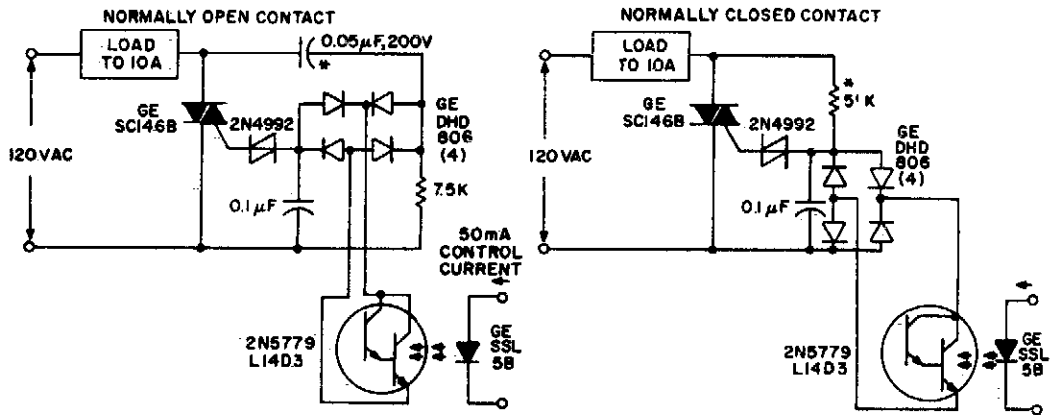


Fig. 44-14

### Circuit Notes

Both circuits use the G.E. SC146B, 200 V, 10 A Triac as load current contacts. These triacs are triggered by normal SBS (2N4992) trigger circuits, which are controlled by the photo-Darlington, acting through the DA806 bridge as an ac photo switch. To operate the

relays at other line voltages the asterisked (\*) components are scaled to supply identical current. Ratings must be changed as required. Incandescent lamps may be used in place of the light emitting diodes, if desired.

## PRECISION PHOTODIODE LEVEL DETECTOR

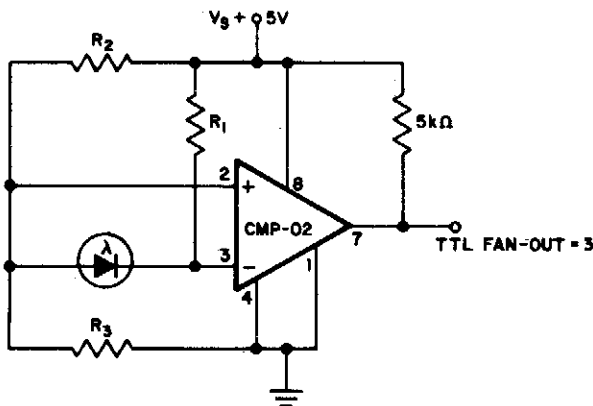
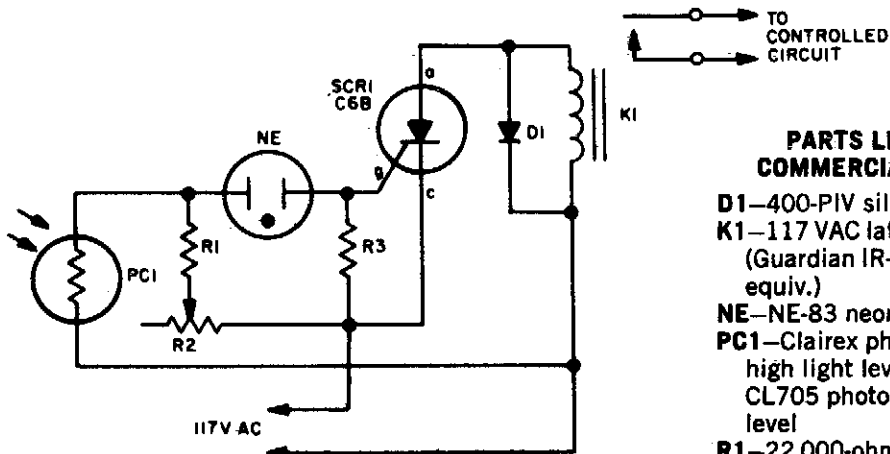


Fig. 44-15

### Circuit Notes

For  $R_1 = 2.5 \text{ M}$ ,  $R_2 = R_3 = 5 \text{ M}$ . The output state changes at a photo diode current of  $0.5 \mu\text{A}$ .

### LIGHT BEAM OPERATED ON-OFF RELAY



- PARTS LIST FOR  
COMMERCIAL KILLER**
- D1—400-PIV silicon rectifier
  - K1—117 VAC latching relay  
(Guardian IR-610L-A115 or  
equiv.)
  - NE—NE-83 neon lamp
  - PC1—Clairex photo cell CL505 for  
high light level; CL704 or  
CL705 photocell for low light  
level
  - R1—22,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor
  - R2—1-megohm potentiometer
  - R3—100-ohm, ½-watt resistor
  - SCR1—HEP R1218, 200V, 4A,  
silicon-controlled rectifier

Fig. 44-16

#### Circuit Notes

When a beam of light strikes the photocell, the voltage across neon lamp NE-1 rises sharply. NE-1 turns on and fires the SCR. K1 is an impulse relay whose contacts stay in posi-

tion even after coil current is removed. The first impulse opens K1's contacts, the second impulse closes them, etc.

### LOGARITHMIC LIGHT SENSOR

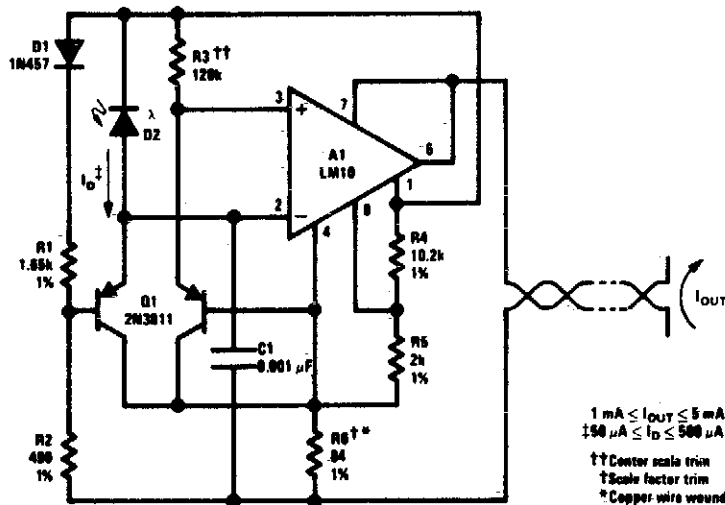


Fig. 44-17

- 1 mA ≤ I<sub>out</sub> ≤ 5 mA
- 150 μA ≤ I<sub>D</sub> ≤ 500 μA
- †† Center scale trim
- † Scale factor trim
- \* Copper wire wound

### FM (PRM) OPTICAL TRANSMITTER

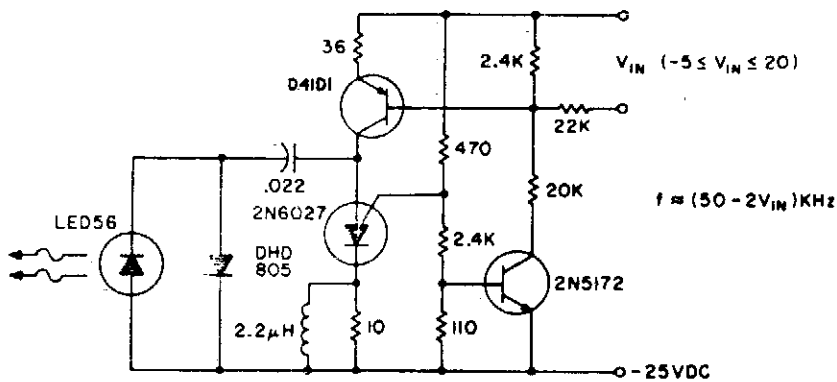


Fig. 44-18

#### Circuit Notes

The basic circuit can be operated at 80 kHz and is limited by the PUT capacitor combination. 60 kHz is the maximum modulation frequency. The pulse repetition rate is a linear function of  $V_{IN}$ , the modulating voltage. Lenses or reflectors minimizes stray light noise ef-

fects. Greater output can be obtained by using a larger capacitor, which also gives a lower operating frequency, or using a higher power output IRED such as the F5D1. Average power consumption of the transmitter circuit is less than 3 watts.

### LIGHT LEVEL SENSOR

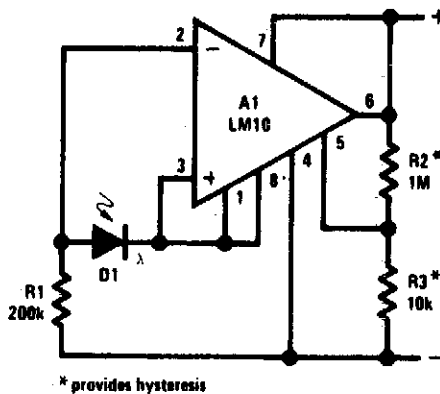


Fig. 44-19

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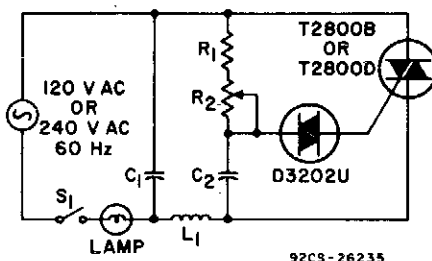
## Light Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Light Dimmers   | 800 W Soft-Start Light Dimmer         |
| Remote Control for Lamp or Appliance                    | Low Loss Brightness Control           |
| High Power Control for Sensitive Contacts               | Half-Wave Ac Phase-Controlled Circuit |
| Complementary Lighting Control                          | Emergency Light                       |
| Floodlamp Power Control                                 | Neon Lamp Driver                      |
| Hysteresis-Free Phase Control Circuit                   | Complementary Ac Power Switching      |
| Low Cost Lamp Dimmer                                    | Battery Lantern Circuit               |
| Zero Point Switch                                       | Shift Register                        |
| 800 W Triac Light Dimmer                                | Light Level Controller                |
| Full-Wave SCR Control                                   | 2.2 W Incandescent Lamp Driver        |
| 860 W Limited Range Low Cost Precision<br>Light Control |                                       |

## LIGHT DIMMERS



92CS-26235

(a) Single-time-constant light-dimmer circuit.

### Parts List

**120-Volt, 60-Hz Operation**

$C_1, C_2 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 200 \text{ V}$

$L_1 = 100 \mu\text{H}$

$R_1 = 3300 \text{ ohms}, 0.5 \text{ watt}$

$R_2 = \text{light control, poten-}$

$\text{tiometer, } 0.25 \text{ megohm},$   
 $0.5 \text{ watt}$

**240-Volt, 50/60 Hz Opera-**  
**tion**

$C_1 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 400 \text{ V}$

$C_2 = 0.05 \mu\text{F}, 400 \text{ V}$

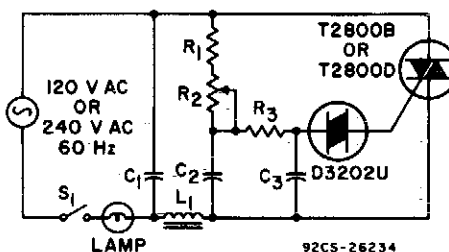
$L_1 = 200 \mu\text{H}$

$R_1 = 4700 \text{ ohms}, 0.5 \text{ watt}$

$R_2 = \text{light control, poten-}$

$\text{tiometer, } 0.25 \text{ megohm},$

$1 \text{ watt}$



92CS-26234

(b) Double-time-constant light-dimmer circuit.

### Parts List

**120-Volt, 60-Hz Operation**

$C_1, C_2 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 200 \text{ V}$

$C_3 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 100 \text{ V}$

$L_1 = 100 \mu\text{H}$

$R_1 = 1000 \text{ ohms}, 0.5 \text{ watt}$

$R_2 = \text{light control, poten-}$

$\text{tiometer, } 0.1 \text{ megohm},$   
 $0.5 \text{ watt}$

**240-Volt, 60-Hz Operation**

$C_1 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 400 \text{ V}$

$C_2 = 0.05 \mu\text{F}, 400 \text{ V}$

$C_3 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}, 100 \text{ V}$

$L_1 = 100 \mu\text{H}$

$R_1 = 7500 \text{ ohms}, 2 \text{ watts}$

$R_2 = \text{light control, poten-}$

$\text{tiometer, } 0.2 \text{ megohm},$

$1 \text{ watt}$

$R_3 = 7500 \text{ ohms}, 2 \text{ watts}$

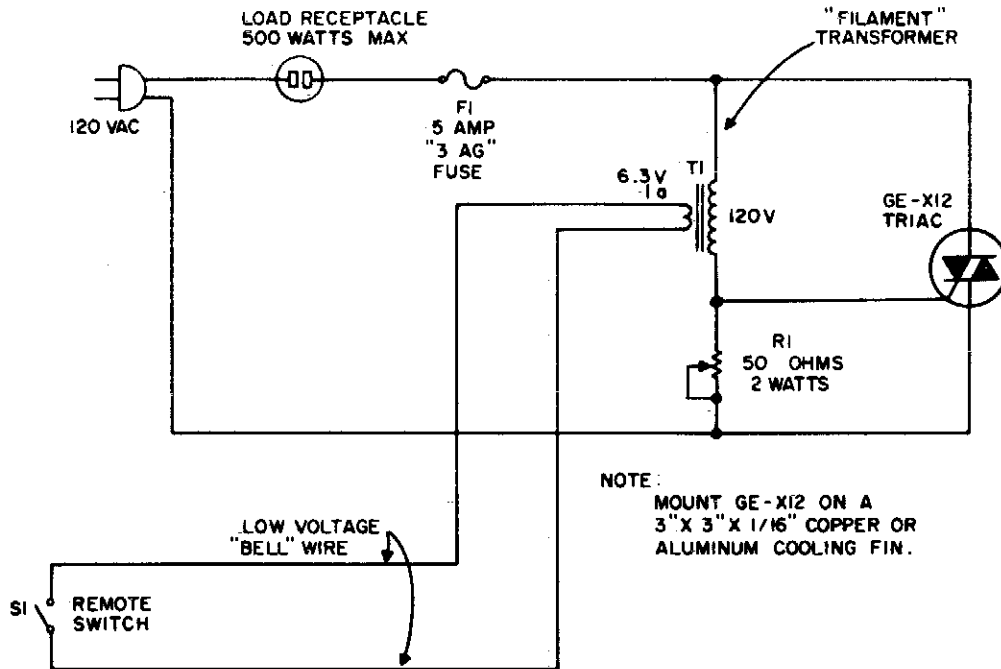
**Fig. 45-1**

### Circuit Notes

The two lamp-dimmer circuits differ in that (a) employs a single-time-constant trigger network and (b) uses a double-time-constant trigger circuit that reduces hysteresis effects and thereby extends the effective range of the light-control potentiometer. (Hysteresis refers to a difference in the control potentiometer setting at which the lamp turns on and the setting at which the light is extin-

guished.) The additional capacitor  $C_2$  in (b) reduces hysteresis by charging to a higher voltage than capacitor  $C_3$ . During gate triggering,  $C_3$  discharges to form the gate current pulse. Capacitor  $C_2$ , however, has a longer discharge time constant and this capacitor restores some of the charge removed from  $C_3$  by the gate current pulse.

## REMOTE CONTROL FOR LAMP OR APPLIANCE



NOTE:  
MOUNT GE-X12 ON A  
3" X 3" X 1/16" COPPER OR  
ALUMINUM COOLING FIN.

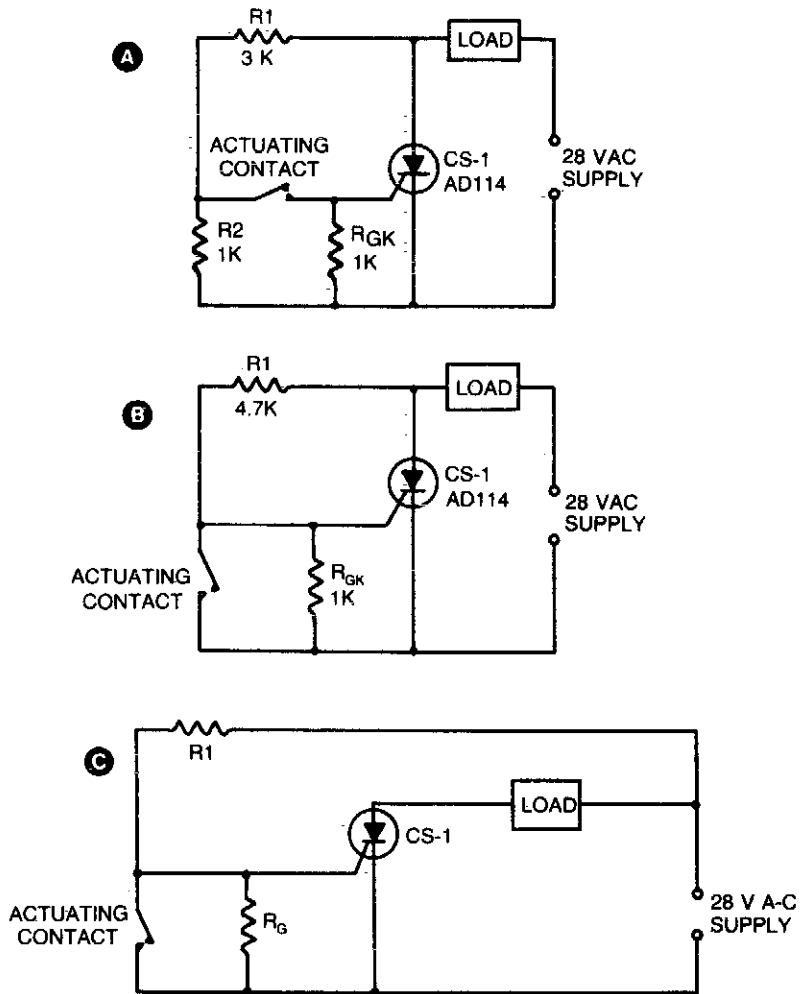
Fig. 45-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses the primary current of a small 6.3 volt filament transformer to actuate a triac and energize the load. When switch S1, in the six-volt secondary, of the transformer is open, a small "magnetizing" current flows through the primary winding. This magnetizing current may be large enough to trigger the triac. Therefore, a shunting resistor, R1, is required to prevent such triggering. R1, is ad-

justed for the highest resistance that will not cause the triac to trigger with S1 open. When single-pole remote switch, S1, closes, the secondary of the transformer is shorted and a high current flows through the 120-volt primary. This triggers the triac and energizes the load. When the triac conducts, current through the primary stops and thus prevents burning out the transformer.

## HIGH POWER CONTROL FOR SENSITIVE CONTACTS



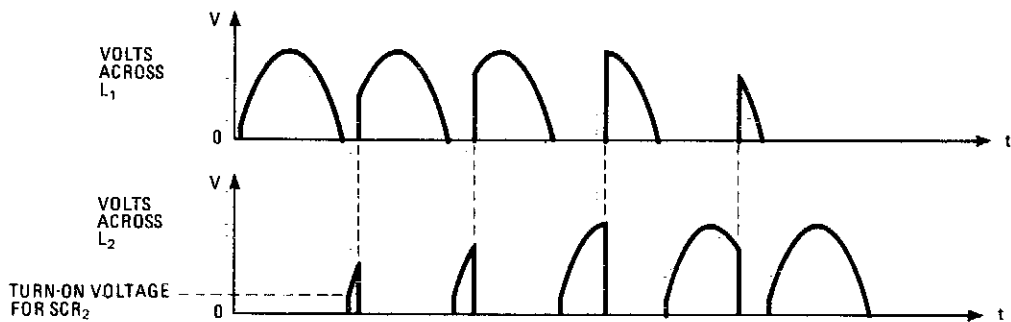
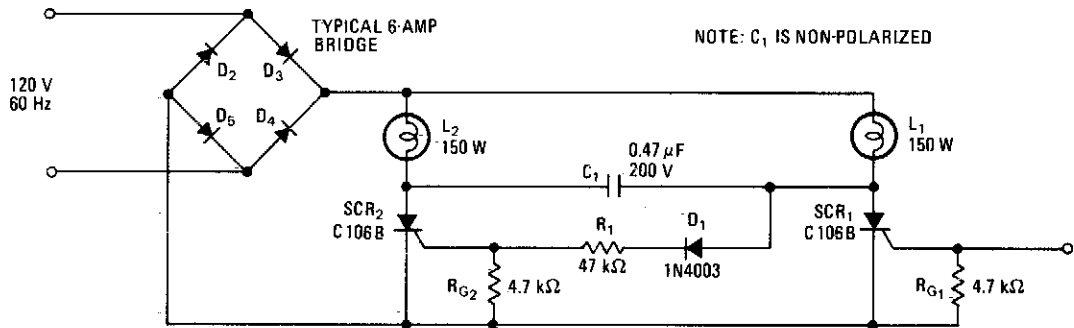
**Fig. 45-3**

### Circuit Notes

Two simple arrangements for resistive loads are shown in A & B. The circuit in A will provide load power when the actuating contact is closed, and no power when the contact is open. B provides the reverse of this action—power being supplied to the load when the contact is open with no load power when the contact is closed. If desired, both circuits can

be made to latch by operating with dc instead of the indicated ac supply. In both of these circuits, voltage across the sensitive contacts is under 5 volts, and contact current is below 5 mA. For inductive loads, R1 would normally be returned to the opposite side of the load as shown in C.

## COMPLEMENTARY LIGHTING CONTROL



**Fig. 45-4**

### Circuit Notes

This lighting-control unit will fade out one lamp while simultaneously increasing the light output of another. The two loads track each other accurately without adjustments. The gate of SCR1, a silicon-controlled rectifier, is driven from a standard phase-control circuit, based, for example, on a unijunction transistor or a

diac. It controls the brightness of lamp L1 directly. Whenever SCR1 is not on, a small current flows through L1, D1, and R1, permitting SCR2 to fire. When SCR1 turns on, current flow ceases through D1 and R1; the energy stored in C1 produces a negative spike that turns SCR2 off.



### FLOODLAMP POWER CONTROL

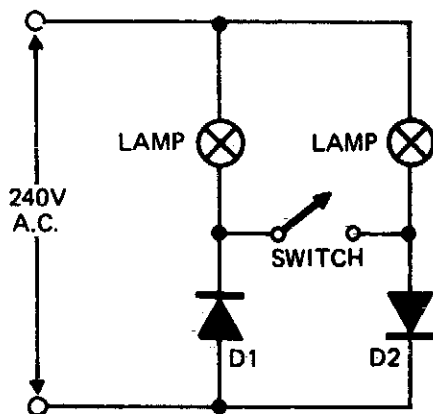


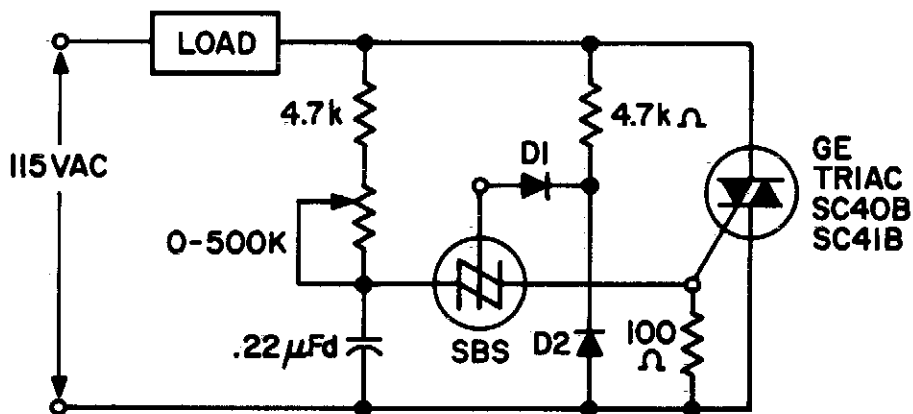
Fig. 45-5

#### Circuit Notes

When setting up photographic floodlamps, it is sometimes desirable to operate the lamps at lower power levels until actually ready to take the photograph. The circuit allows the

lamps to operate on half cycle power when the switch is open, and full power, when the switch is closed. The diodes D1 and D2 should have a 400 volt PIV rating at 5 amps.

### HYSTERESIS-FREE PHASE CONTROL CIRCUIT



SBS 2N4992  
 D1, D2-GE 6RS5GC1LAJ1  
 -COMMON CATHODE

Fig. 45-6

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is intended for lamp dimming and similar applications. It requires only one RC phase lag network. To avoid the hysteresis

(or "snap-on") effect, the capacitor is reset to approximately 0 volts at the end of every positive half cycle using the gate lead.

### LOW COST LAMP DIMMER

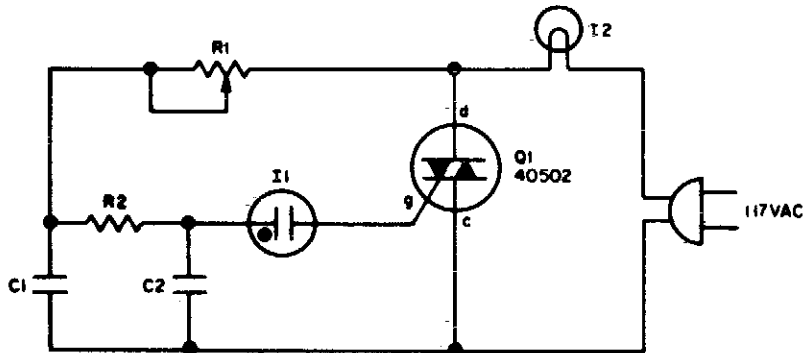


Fig. 45-7

#### PARTS LIST FOR LO-COST LAMP DIMMER

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>C1, C2</b> —0.068- $\mu$ F, 200-VDC capacitor | 400 watts                                |
| <b>I1</b> —NE-2 neon lamp                        | <b>Q1</b> —RCA 40502 Triac               |
| <b>I2</b> —External lamp not to exceed           | <b>R1</b> —50,000-ohm, pot.              |
|  | <b>R2</b> —15,000-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor |

#### Circuit Notes

Without a heatsink, Triac Q1 handles up to a 400-watt lamp. The neon lamp does not trip the gate until it conducts so the lamp turns on a medium brilliance. The lamp can then be backed off to a soft-glow.

### ZERO-POINT SWITCH

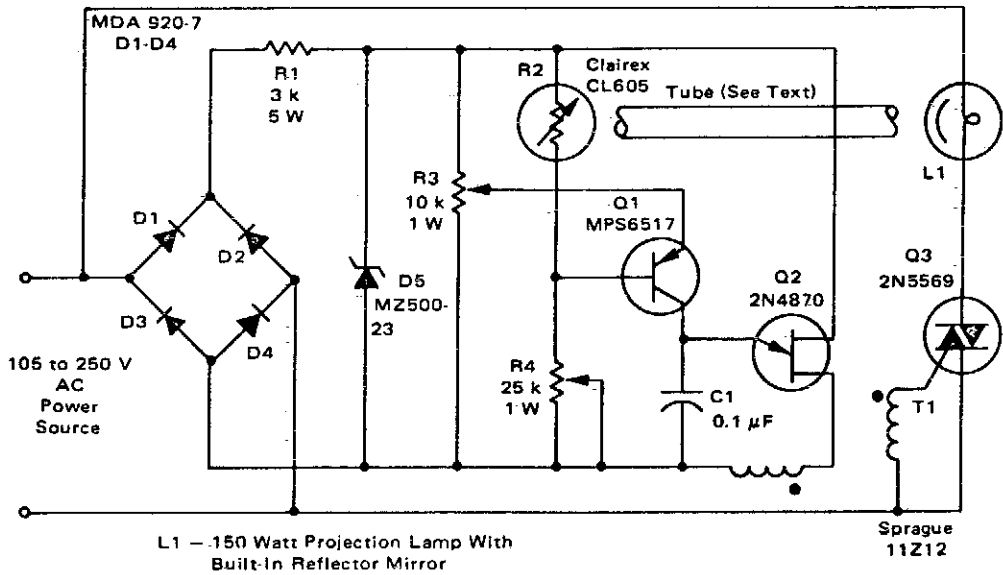


Fig. 45-8

### 800 W TRIAC LIGHT DIMMER

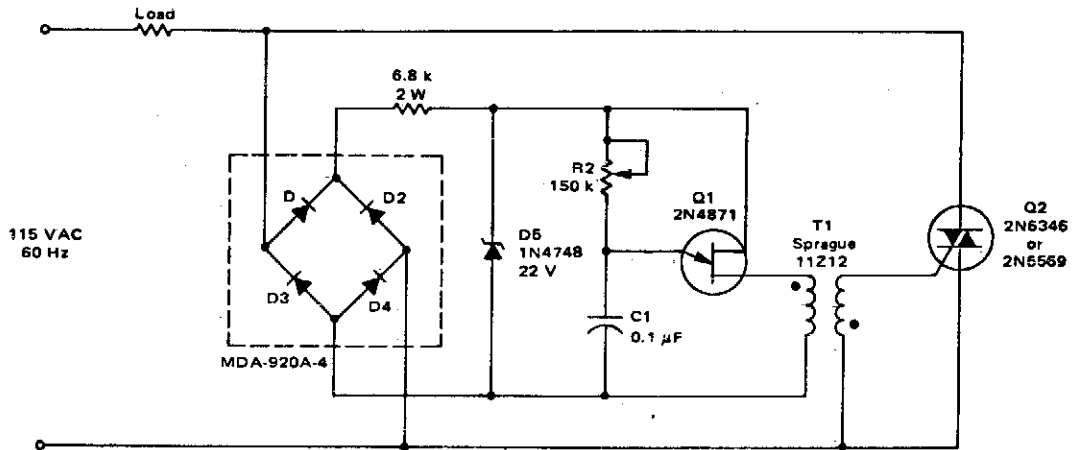


Fig. 45-9

### FULL-WAVE SCR CONTROL

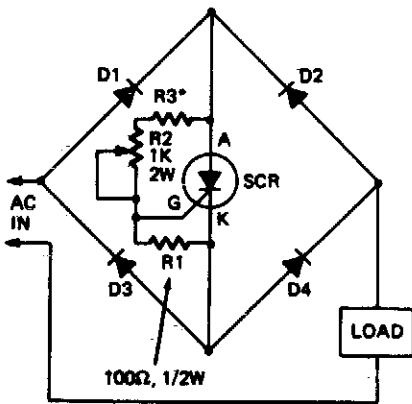
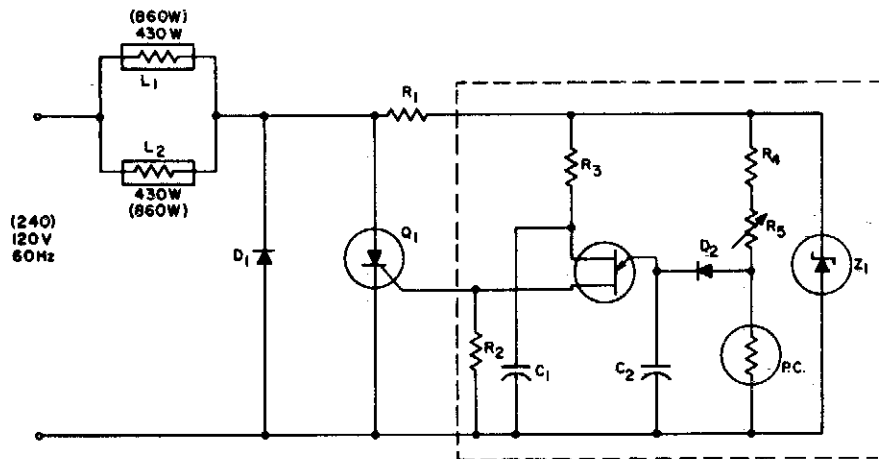


Fig. 45-10

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit enables a single SCR to provide fullwave control of resistive loads. Resistor R3 should be chosen so that when potentiometer R2 is at its minimum setting, the current in the load is at the required minimum level. Diodes should have same current and voltage rating as the SCR.

### 860 WATT LIMITED-RANGE LOW COST PRECISION LIGHT CONTROL



$R_1$  - 6.8K $\Omega$ , 2W (15K, 5W)  
 $R_2$  - 47 $\Omega$   
 $R_3$  - 1K $\Omega$   
 $R_4$  - 680 $\Omega$   
 $R_5$  - 1K $\Omega$ , 1/2W POT  
 $R_6$  - GE A35

$Q_1$  - GE C122B(C122D)  
 $Q_2$  - GE 2N2646  
 $D_1$  - GE A4HB(A41D)  
 $D_2$  - GE A14F  
 $Z_1$  - 16 V ZENER  
 $L_1, L_2$  - 430W INCANDESCENT LAMP

$C_1$  - .03 $\mu$ fd, 25V  
 $C_2$  - .01 $\mu$ fd, 25V  
 NOTE: ALL RESISTANCES  
 1/2w, 10% UNLESS  
 OTHERWISE NOTED.  
 VALUES IN PARANTHESES  
 FOR 240V

Fig. 45-11

#### Circuit Notes

The system is designed to regulate an 860 watt lamp load from half to full power. This is achieved by the controlled-half-plus-fixed-half-wave phase control method. Half power

applied to an incandescent lamp results in 30% of the full light output. Consequently the circuit is designed to control the light output of the lamp from 30% to 100% of maximum.

### 800 W SOFT-START LIGHT DIMMER

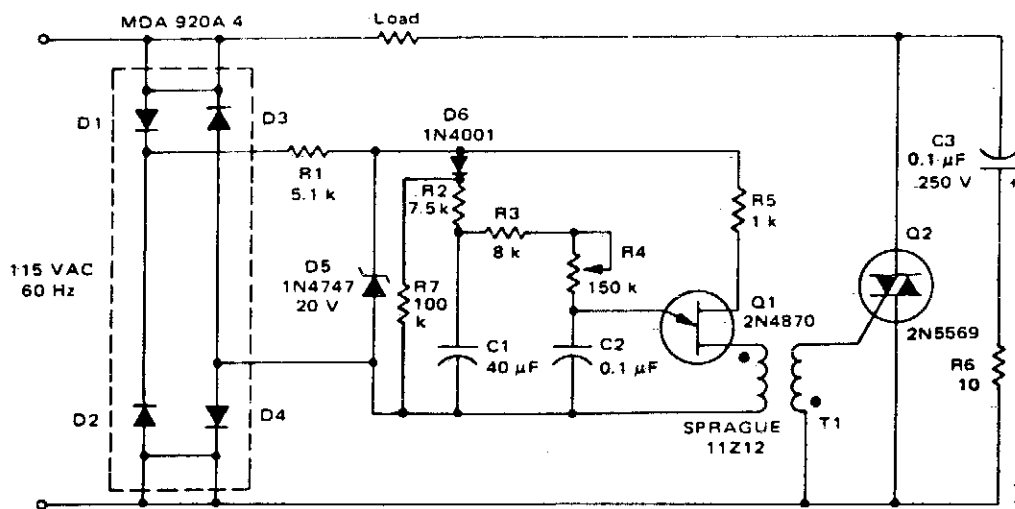


Fig. 45-12

### LOW LOSS BRIGHTNESS CONTROL

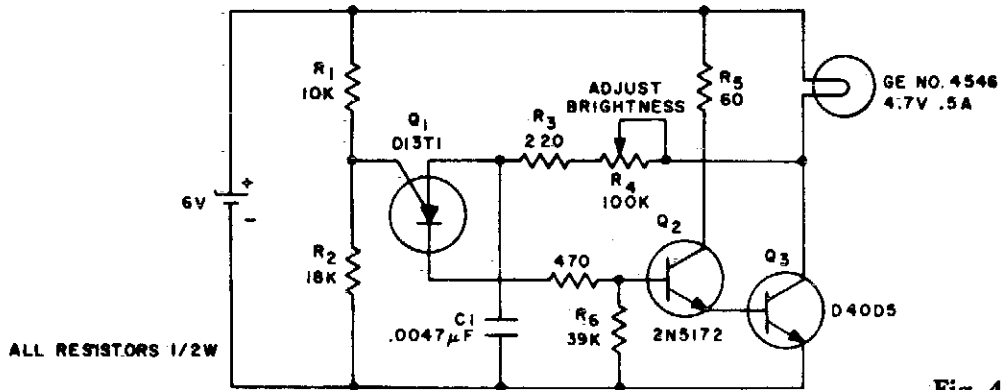


Fig. 45-13

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit changes the average value of the dc supply voltage because of the high switching frequency. The tungsten lamp will have an almost continuous adjustable light output between 0 and 100%. If a light emitting

diode is used as the emitting device, the irradiance will be in phase with the applied current pulses and will decrease to zero when the supply current is zero.

### HALF WAVE AC PHASE-CONTROLLED CIRCUIT

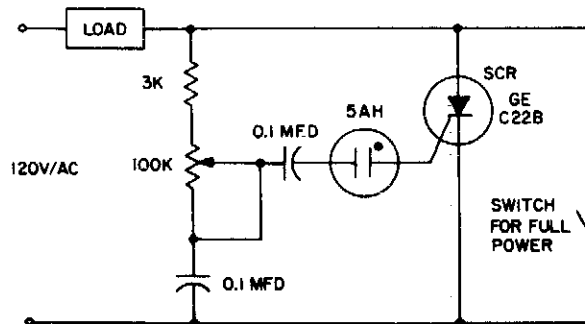


Fig. 45-14

#### Circuit Notes

The 5AH will trigger when the voltage across the two 0.1  $\mu$ F capacitors reaches the breakdown voltage of the lamp. Control can be obtained full off to 95% of the half wave RMS output voltage. Full power can be obtained with the addition of the switch across the SCR.

## EMERGENCY LIGHT

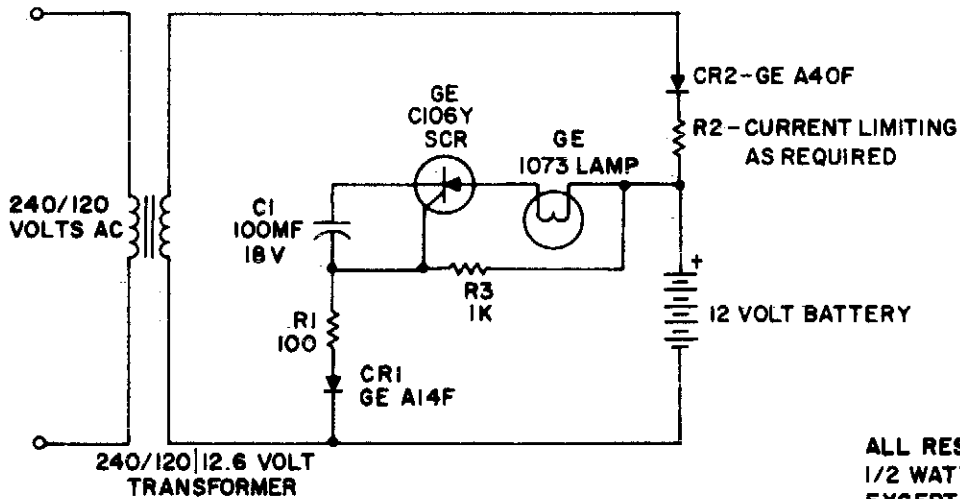


Fig. 45-15

ALL RESISTORS  
1/2 WATT  
EXCEPT AS  
NOTED

### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit provides battery operated emergency lighting instantaneously upon failure of the regular ac service. When line power is restored, the emergency light turns off and the battery recharges automatically. The circuit is ideal for use in elevator cars, corridors and similar places where loss of light due to power failure would be undesirable. Completely static in operation, the circuit requires no maintenance. With ac power on, capacitor C1 charges through rectifier CR1 and resistor R1 to develop a negative voltage at the

gate of the C106Y SCR. By this means, the SCR is prevented from being triggered, and the emergency light stays off. At the same time, the battery is kept fully charged by rectifier CR2 and resistor R2. Should the ac power fail, C1 discharges and the SCR is triggered on by battery power through resistor R3. The SCR then energizes the emergency light. Reset is automatic when ac is restored, because the peak ac line voltage biases the SCR and turns it off.

## NEON LAMP DRIVER

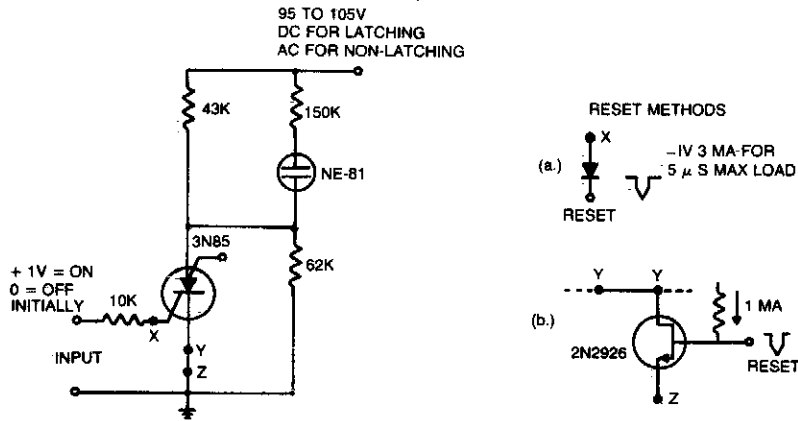


Fig. 45-16

## COMPLEMENTARY AC POWER SWITCHING

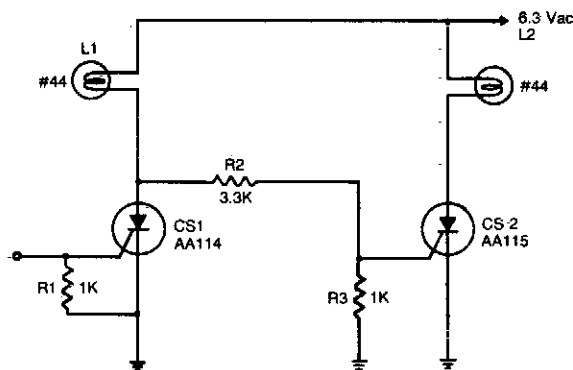


Fig. 45-17

### Circuit Notes

An input signal of less than 1 mA and 1 V is required to switch on CS1. As long as this input signal is maintained, CS1 will conduct during each positive half cycle of anode voltage, thereby energizing load L1 with half-wave rectified dc. L2 remains de-energized, since the anode of CS1 will not go more positive than 1.5 volts, and voltage divider R2 - R3 cannot provide enough voltage to trigger CS2. Upon removal of the input signal, CS1 will drop out. L1 will be de-energized, except for a small amount of ac current through R2 and R3. CS2

will be triggered on at the beginning of each positive half-cycle, when CS1 anode voltage reaches 2 to 3 volts. CS2 will conduct for nearly the entire positive half-cycle energizing L2. It should be noted that the 6.3 volt lamps used will operate at  $\frac{1}{3}$  the rated brilliance because of the controlled switch half-wave rectifying action and will extend the operating lamp life by several orders of magnitude. Should full brilliance be desired, the anode supply voltage level should be raised to 9 volts ac.

### BATTERY LANTERN CIRCUIT

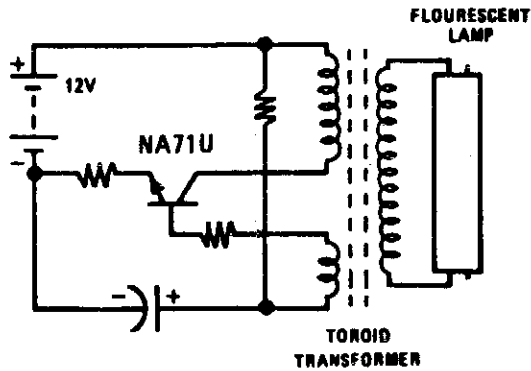


Fig. 45-18

### LIGHT-LEVEL CONTROLLER

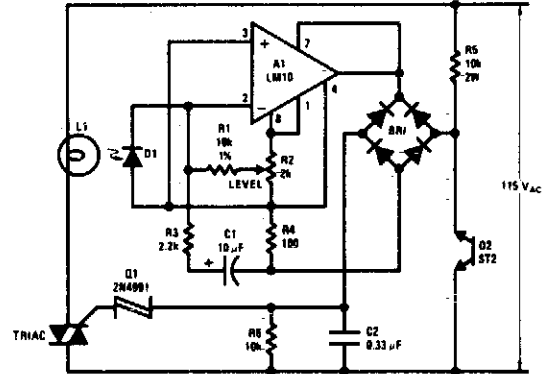


Fig. 45-20

### SHIFT REGISTER

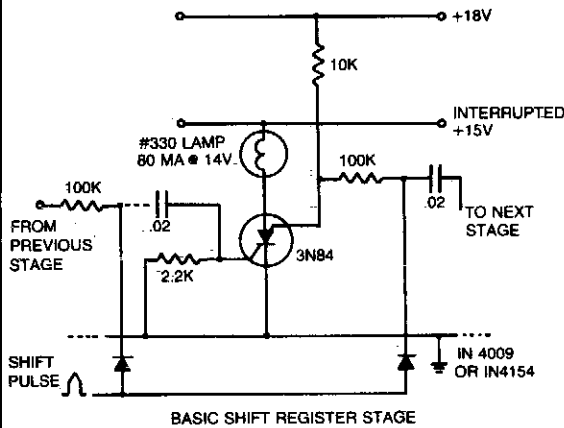


Fig. 45-19

#### Circuit Notes

The shift pulse amplitude is less than 15 volts. If a stage is off, the shift pulse will not be coupled to the next stage. If it is on, the diode will conduct and trigger the next stage. Just prior to the shift pulse the anode supply is interrupted to turn off all stages. The stored capacitor charge determines which stages will be triggered.

### 2.2 WATT INCANDESCENT LAMP DRIVER

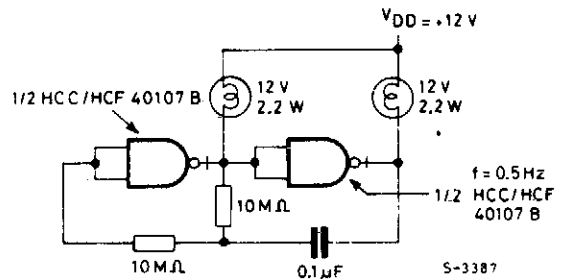


Fig. 45-21



# 46

## Light Measuring Circuits

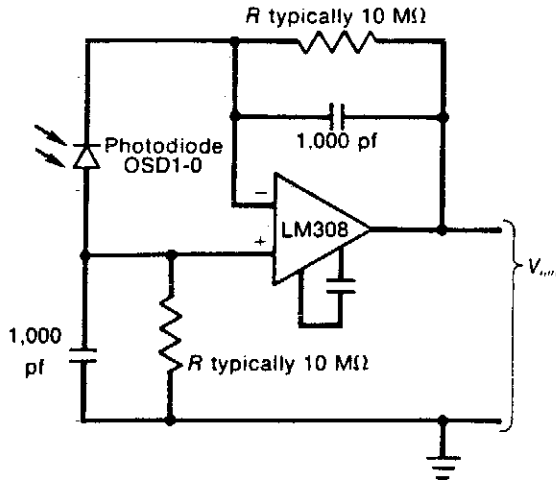
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Linear Light Meter Circuit  
Logarithmic Light-Meter Circuit  
Light Meter

Light Meter  
Light Meter  
Precision Photodiode Comparator

### LINEAR LIGHT-METER CIRCUIT



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a low-input-bias op amp to give a steady dc indication of light level. To reduce circuit sensitivity to light, R1 can be reduced, but should not be less than 100 K. The capacitor values in the circuit are chosen to provide a time constant sufficient to filter high-frequency light variations that might arise, for example, from fluorescent lights.

Fig. 46-1

### LOGARITHMIC LIGHT-METER CIRCUIT

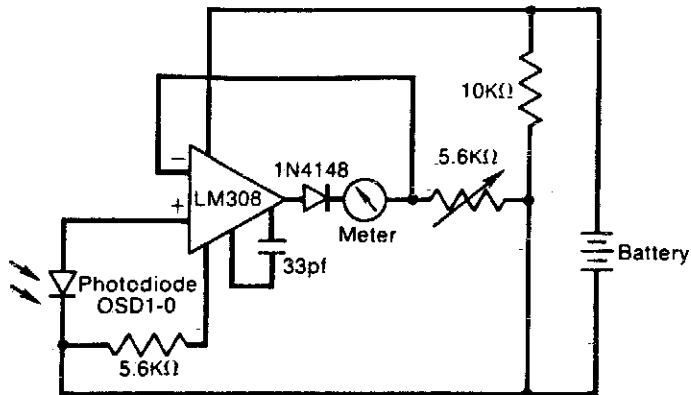


Fig. 46-2

#### Circuit Notes

The meter reading is directly proportional to the logarithm of the input light power. The logarithmic circuit behavior arises from the nonlinear diode pn junction current/voltage relationship. The diode in the amplifier output

prevents output voltage from becoming negative (thereby pegging the meter), which may happen at low light levels due to amplifier bias currents. R1 adjusts the meter full-scale deflection, enabling the meter to be calibrated.

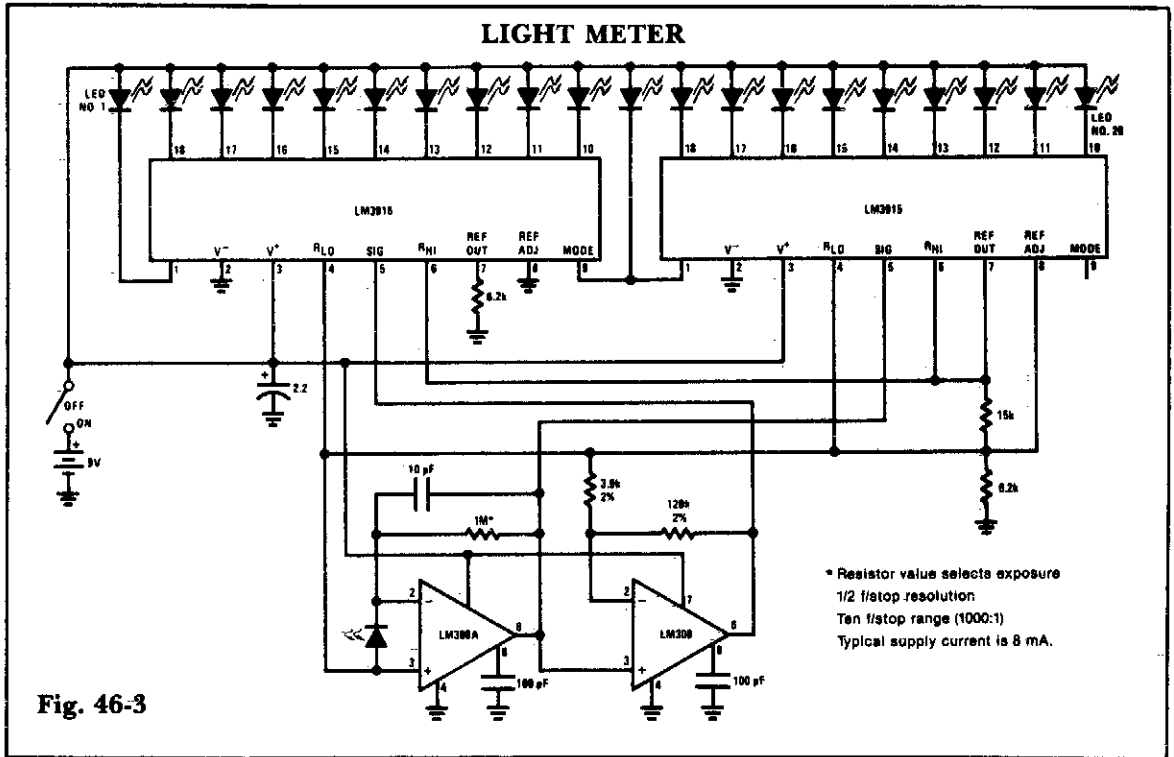


Fig. 46-3

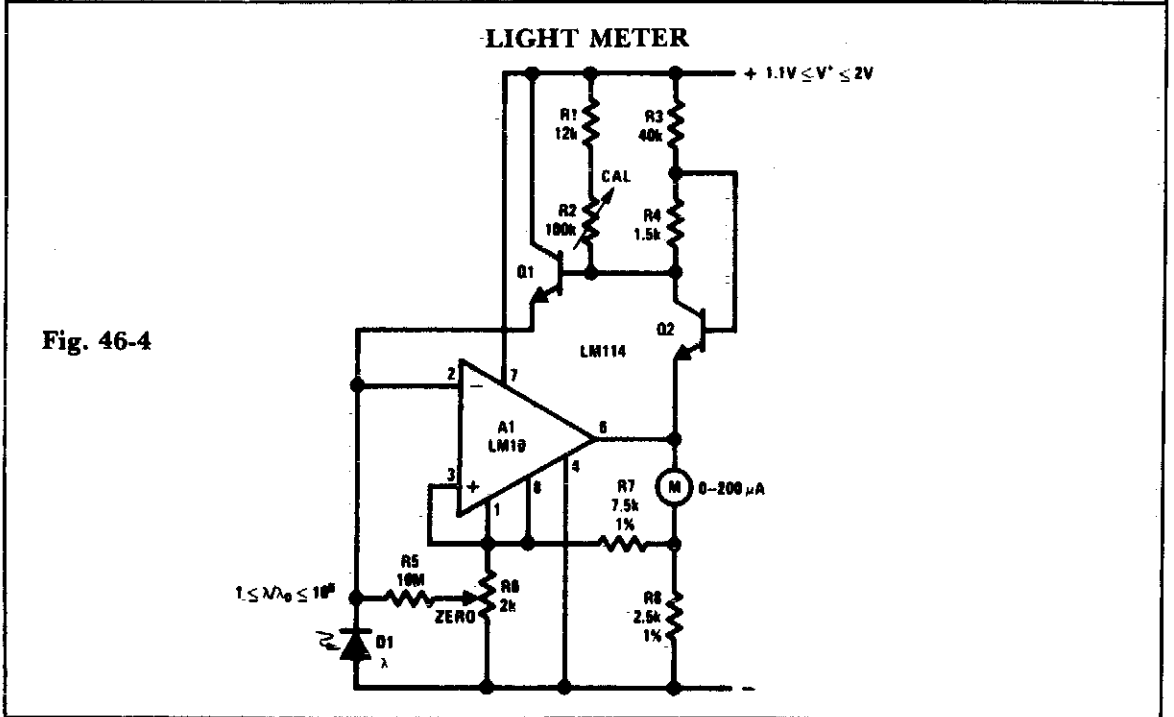


Fig. 46-4

## LIGHT METER

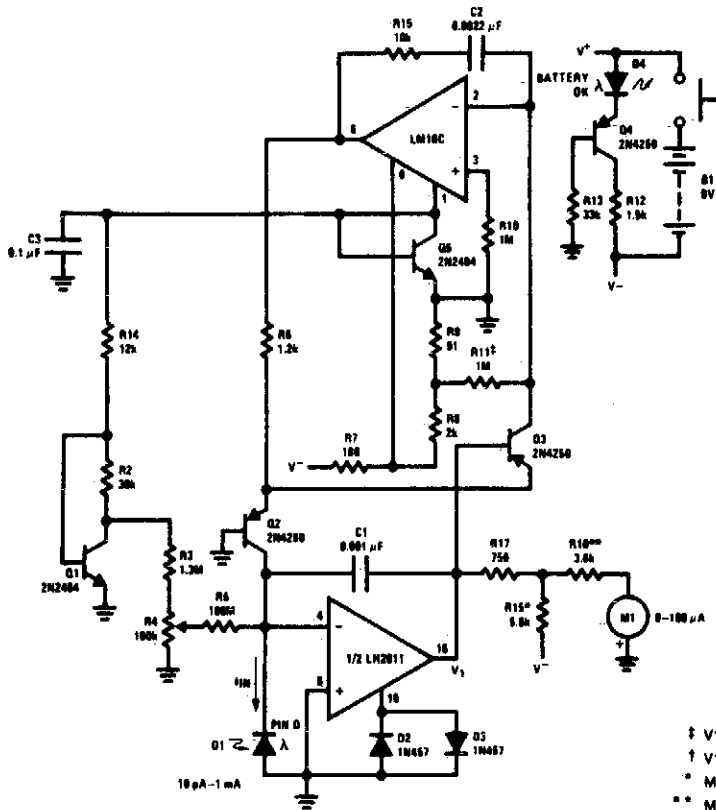


Fig. 46-5

### Circuit Notes

This light meter has an eight-decade range. Bias current compensation can give input current resolution of better than  $\pm 2 \text{ pA}$  over  $15^\circ \text{C}$  to  $55^\circ \text{C}$ .

## PRECISION PHOTODIODE COMPARATOR

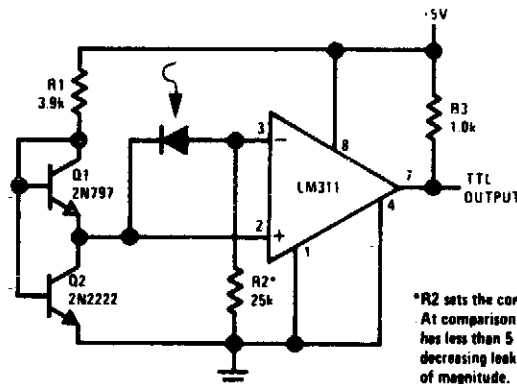


Fig. 46-6

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## Liquid Level Detectors

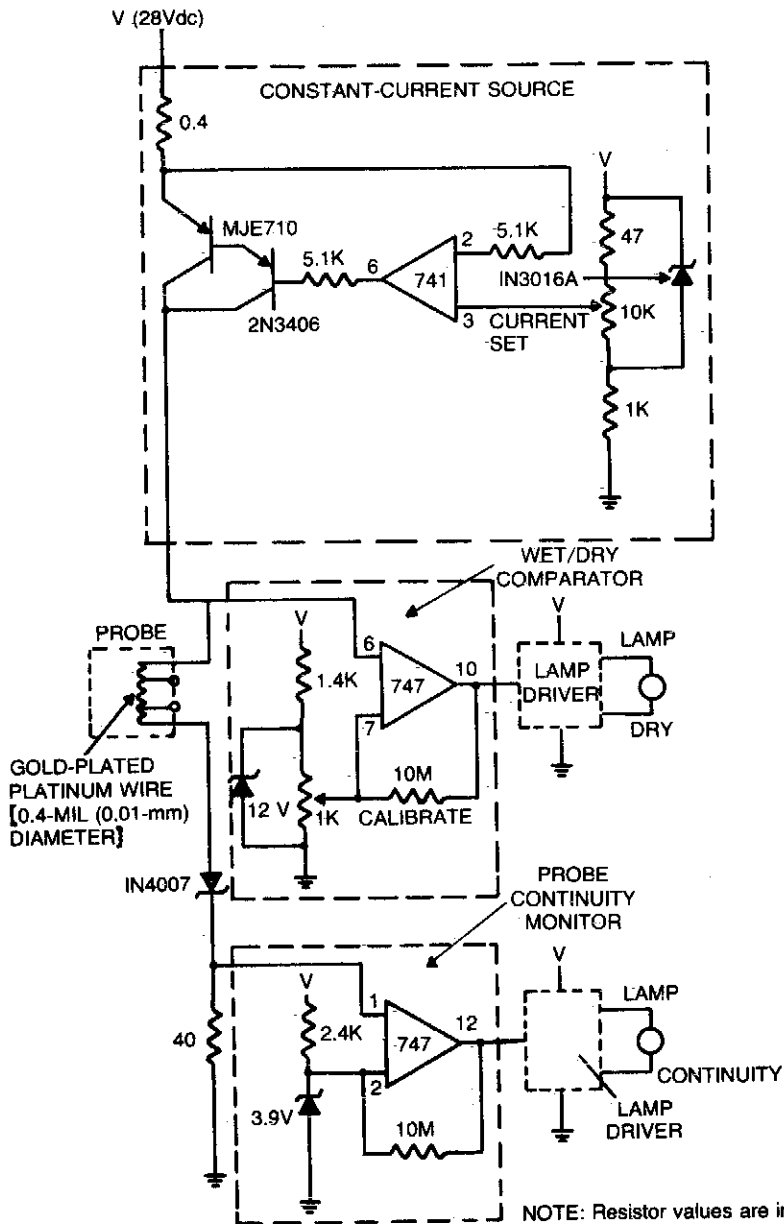
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Level Sensor for Cryogenic Fluids  
Fluid Level Controller  
High Level Warning Device  
Liquid Level Control  
Liquid Level Detector Latching

Water Level Alarm  
Water-Level Sensing Control Circuit  
Flood Alarm  
Liquid Level Detector  
Low-Level Warning with Audio Output

## LEVEL SENSOR FOR CRYOGENIC FLUIDS



**Fig. 47-1**

### Circuit Notes

The sensor circuit is adaptable to different liquids and sensors. The constant-current source drives current through the sensing probe and a fixed resistor. The voltage-comparator circuits interpret the voltage drops to tell whether the probe is immersed in liquid and whether there is current in the probe.

## FLUID LEVEL CONTROLLER

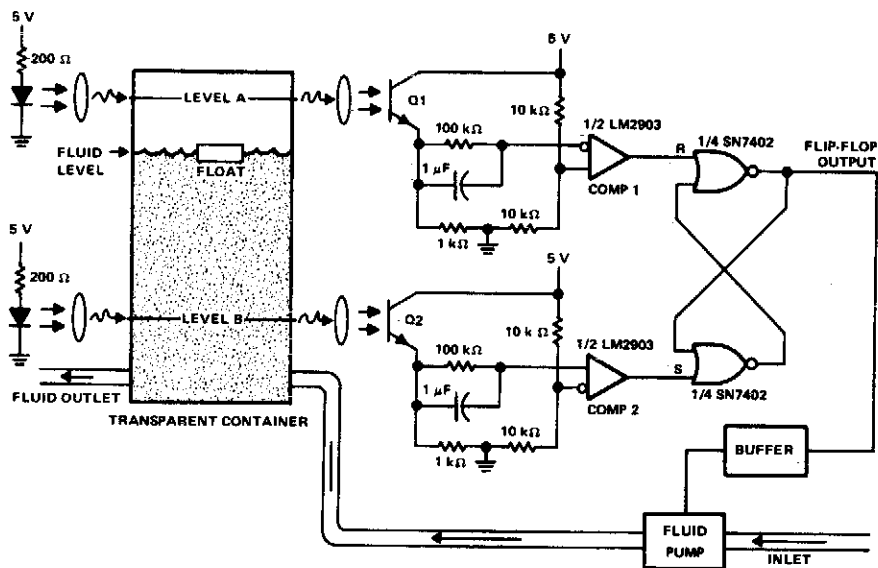


Fig. 47-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be used to maintain fluid between two levels. Variations on this control circuit can be made to keep something that moves within certain boundary conditions.

## HIGH LEVEL WARNING DEVICE

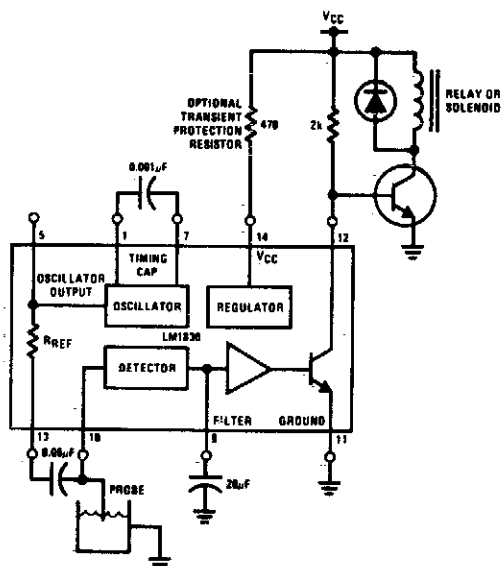


Fig. 47-3

The output is suitable for driving a sump pump or opening a drain valve, etc.

## LIQUID LEVEL CONTROL

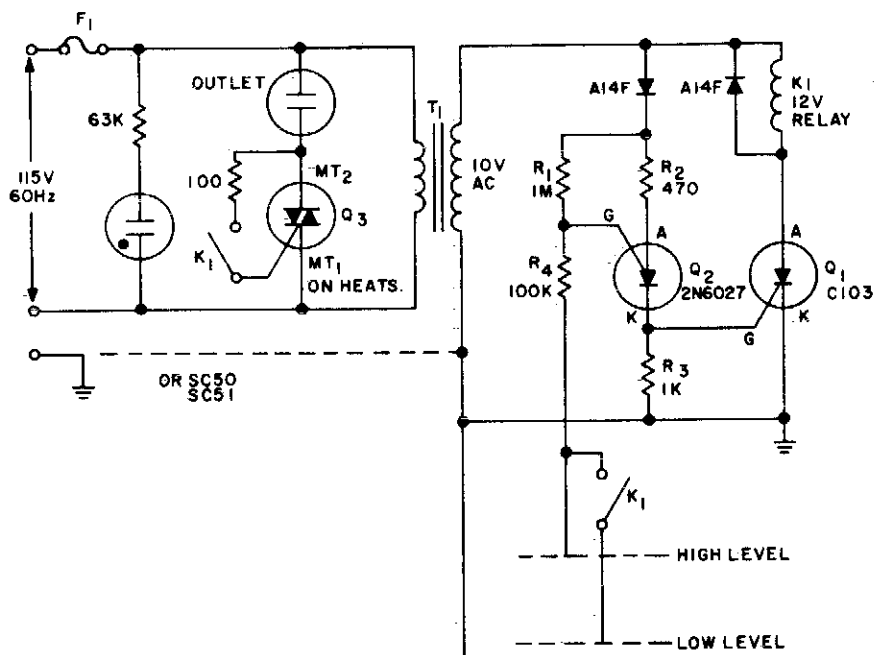


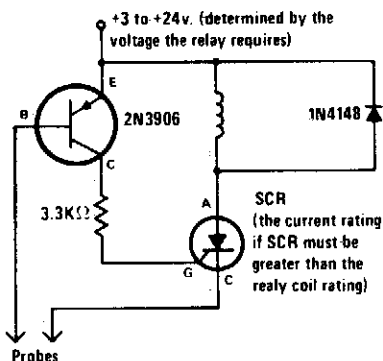
Fig. 47-4

### Circuit Notes

Use this circuit to keep the fluid level of a liquid between two fixed points. Two modes, for filling or emptying are possible by simple reversing the contact connections of K1. The loads can be either electric motors or solenoid operated valves, operating from ac power. Liquid level detection is accomplished by two

metal probes, one measuring the high level and the other the low level. An inversion of the logic (keeping the container filled) can be accomplished by replacing the normally open contact on the gate of Q3 with a normally closed contact.

## LIQUID LEVEL DETECTOR (LATCHING)



### Circuit Notes

Alarm is actuated when liquid level is above the probes and remains activated even if the level drops below the probes. This latching action lets you know that the pre-set level has been reached or exceeded sometime in the past.

Fig. 47-5



## WATER LEVEL ALARM

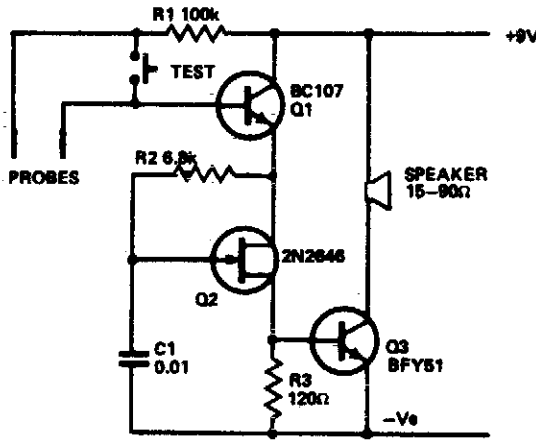


Fig. 47-6

### Circuit Notes

The circuit draws so little current that the shelf-line of the battery is the limiting factor. The only current drawn is the leakage of the transistor. The circuit is shown in the form of a water level alarm but by using different forms of probe can act as a rain alarm or shorting alarm; anything from zero to about 1 M between the probes will trigger it. Q1 acts as a

switch which applies current to the unijunction relaxation oscillator Q2. Alarm signal frequency is controlled by values and ratios of C1/R2. Pulses switch Q3 on and off, applying a signal to the speaker. Almost any NPN silicon transistor can be used for Q1 and Q3 and almost any unijunction for Q2.

## WATER-LEVEL SENSING CONTROL CIRCUIT

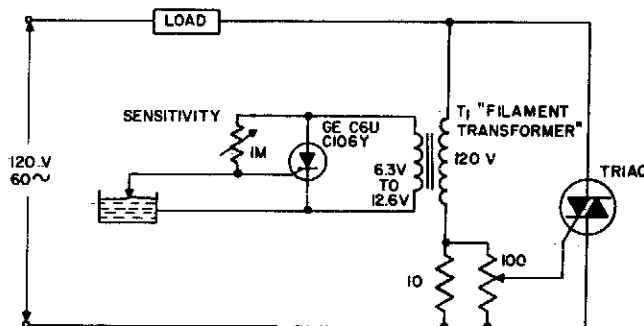
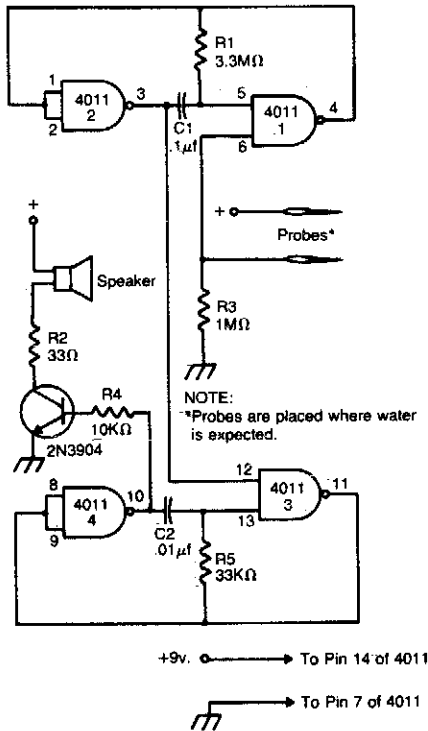


Fig. 47-7

### Circuit Notes

The circuit applies power to the load until the water conducts through the probe, and bypasses gate current from the low current SCR. This gives an isolated low voltage probe to satisfy safety requirements.

### FLOOD ALARM

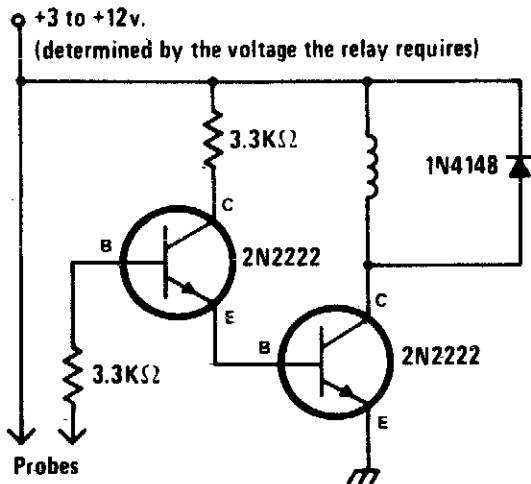


### Circuit Notes

The alarm is built around two audio oscillators, each using two NAND gates. The detection oscillator is gated on by a pair of remote probes. One of the probes is connected to the battery supply, the other to the input of one of the gates. When water flows between the probes, the detection oscillator is gated on. The alarm oscillator is gated on by the output of the detection oscillator. The values given produce an audio tone of about 3000 Hz. The detection oscillator gates this audio tone at a rate of about 3 Hz. The result is a unique pulsating note. Use any 8 ohm speaker to sound the alarm. The 2N3904 can be replaced by any similar NPN transistor. The circuit will work from any six to 12-volt supply.

Fig. 47-8

### LIQUID LEVEL DETECTOR



### Circuit Notes

When liquid level reaches both probes, alarm is turned on. When water level recedes it goes off.

Fig. 47-9

# LOW-LEVEL WARNING WITH AUDIO OUTPUT

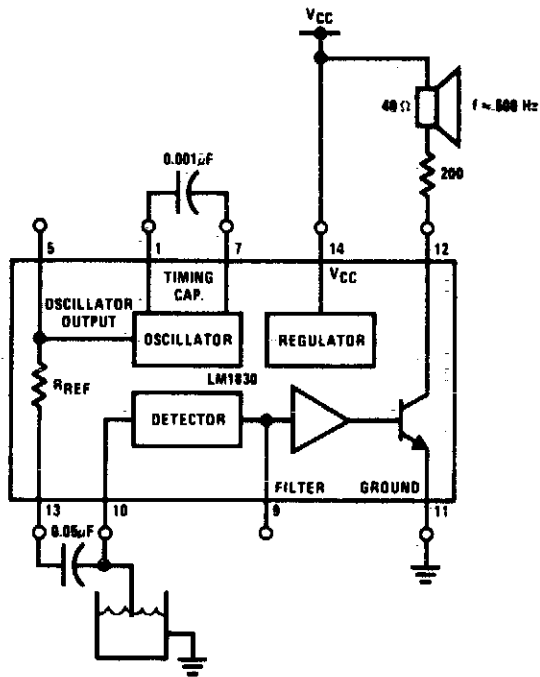


Fig. 47-10

# 48

## Logic Circuits

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Light Activated Logic Circuits

Programmable Gate

Negative to Positive Supply Logic Level

Shifter

OR Gate

OR Gate

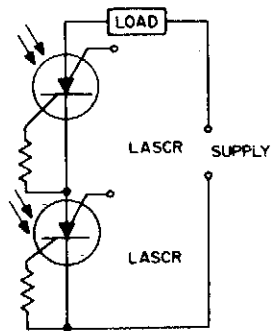
Large Fan-In AND Gate

AND Gate

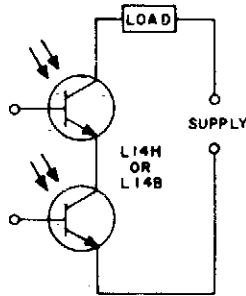
R-S Flip-Flop

AND Gate

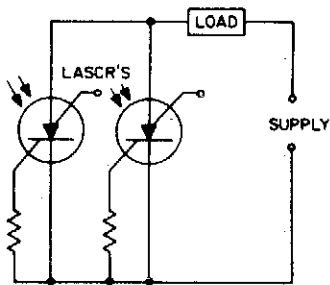
## LIGHT ACTIVATED LOGIC CIRCUITS



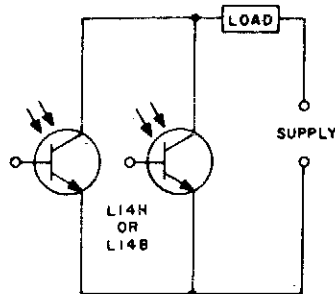
(a) AND Circuit



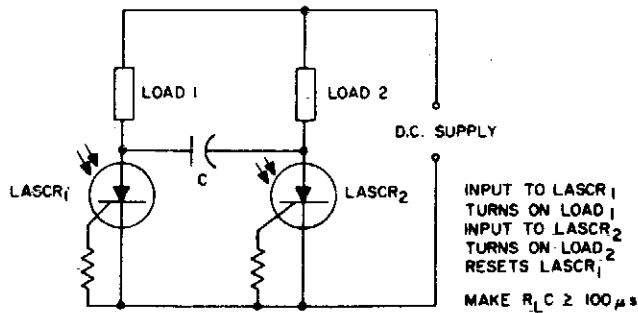
(b) AND Circuit



(c) OR Circuit



(d) OR Circuit



(e) Flip-Flop

### Circuit Notes

These circuits illustrate some of the common logic functions that can be implemented.

Fig. 48-1

## PROGRAMMABLE GATE

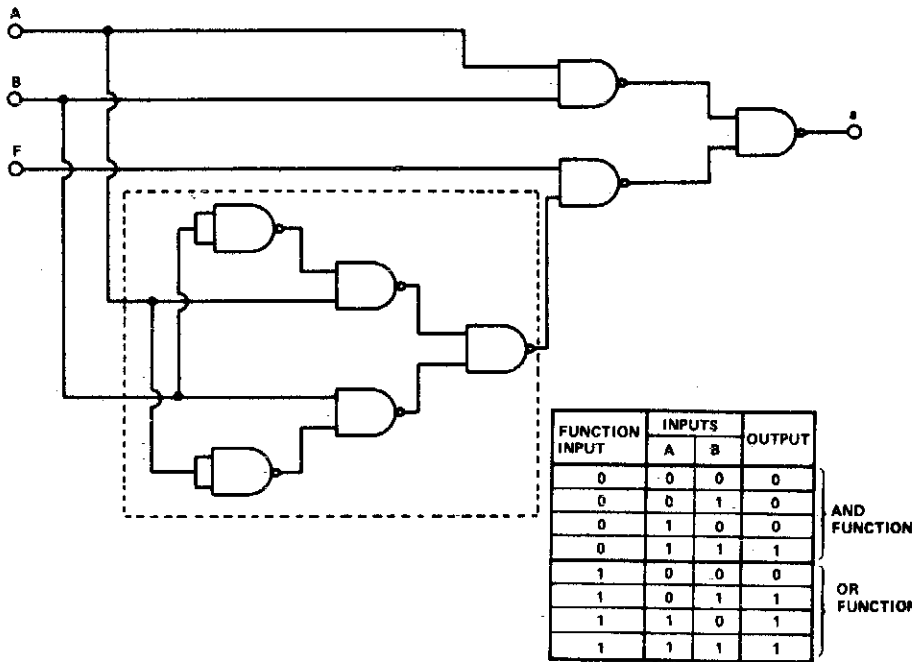
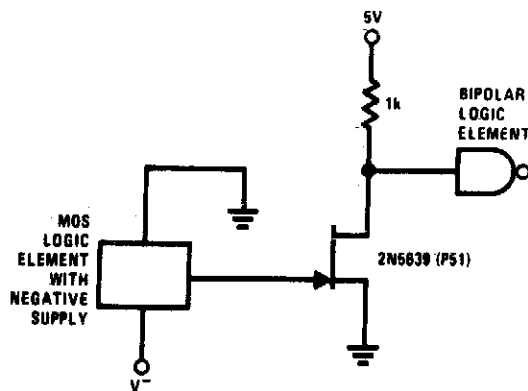


Fig. 48-2

### Circuit Notes

This gate converts an AND gate or an OR gate by applying a logic '1' on the function input. The logic design uses 8 two-input NAND gates. The number of gates may be reduced by replacing the 5 NAND gates enclosed by the dotted line with a two-input exclusive-OR, such as the TTL 7486.

## NEGATIVE TO POSITIVE SUPPLY LOGIC LEVEL SHIFTER



### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit provides for level shifting from any logic function (such as MOS) operating from minus to ground supply to any logic level (such as TTL) operating from a plus to ground supply. The 2N5639 provides a low  $I_{dc}$  (ON) and fast switching times.

Fig. 48-3

### OR GATE

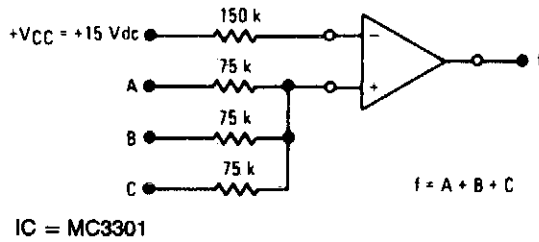


Fig. 48-4

### AND GATE

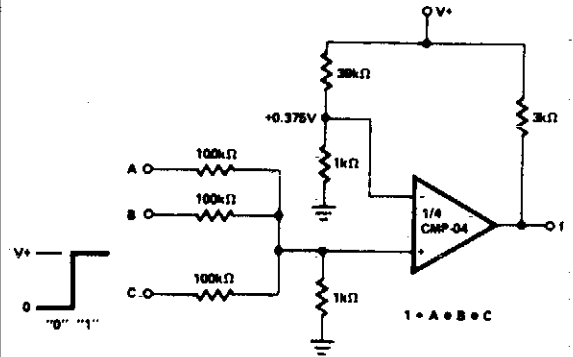


Fig. 48-7

### OR GATE

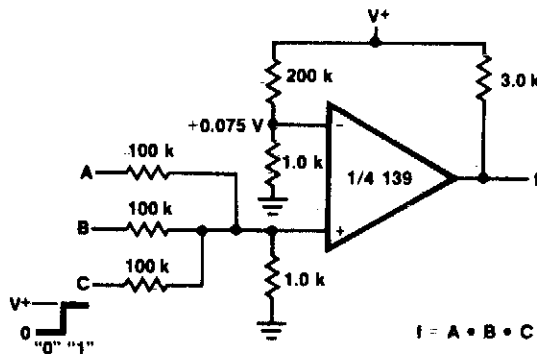


Fig. 48-5

### R-S FLIP-FLOP

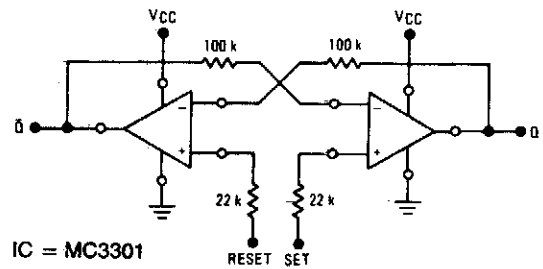


Fig. 48-8

### LARGE FAN-IN AND GATE

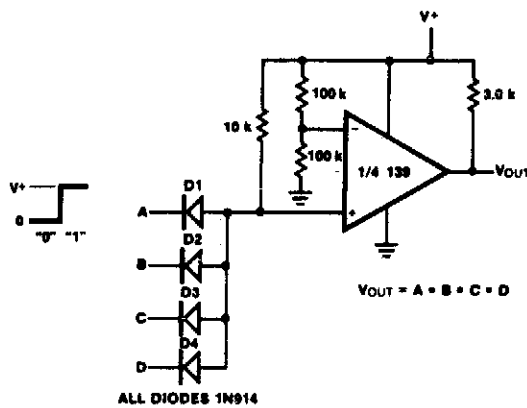


Fig. 48-6

### AND GATE

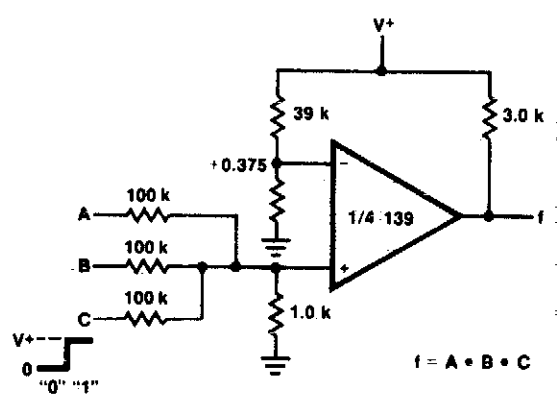


Fig. 48-9

# 49

## Measuring Circuits

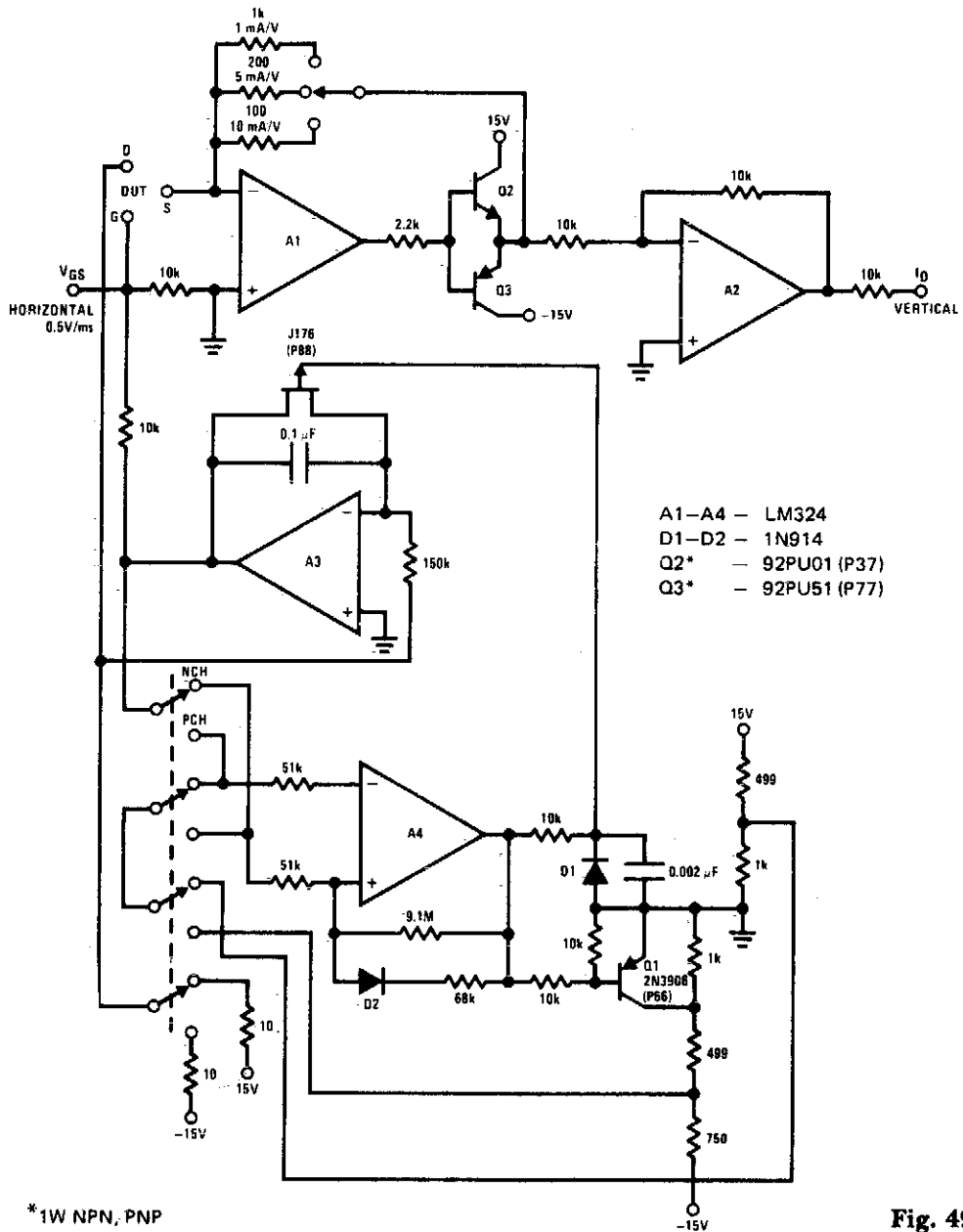
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| FET Curve Tracer                              | Sound Level Monitor   |
| Digital Weight Scale                          | Linear Variable Differential Transformer<br>(LVDT) Driver Demodulator |
| Low Cost pH Meter                             | Linear Variable Differential Transformer<br>(LVDT) Measuring Gauge    |
| pH Probe Amplifier/Temperature<br>Compensator | Vibration Meter   |
| Capacitance Meter                             | Sensitive RF Voltmeter  |
| Zener Tester                                  | Minimum Component Tachometer  |
| Transistor Sorter/Tester                      | Phase Meter   |
| Go/No-Go Diode Tester                         | Precision Calibration Standard  |
| Diode Tester                                  | Zener Diode Checker   |
| Peak Level Indicator                          |   |



## FET CURVE TRACER



**Fig. 49-1**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit displays drain current versus gate voltage for both P and N-channel JFETs at a constant drain voltage.



### LOW COST pH METER

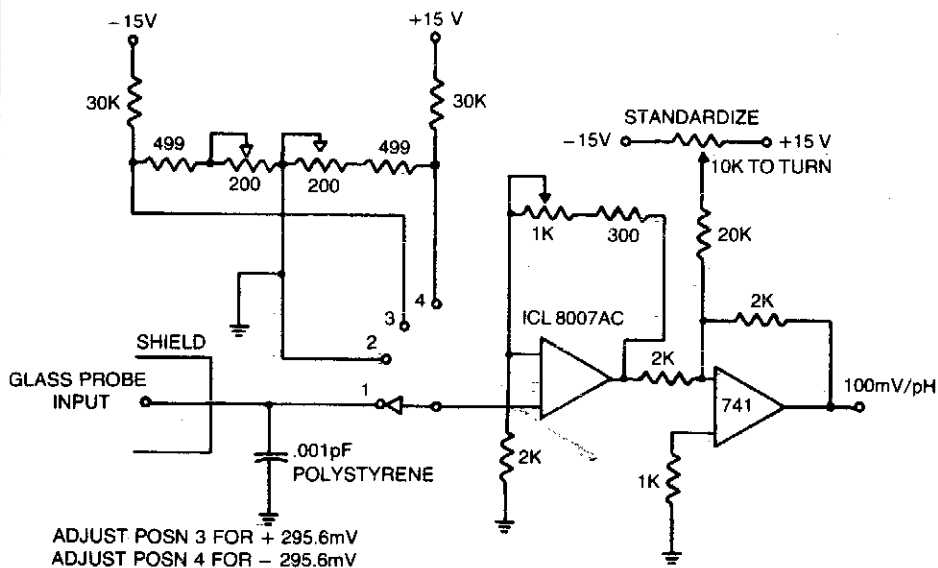
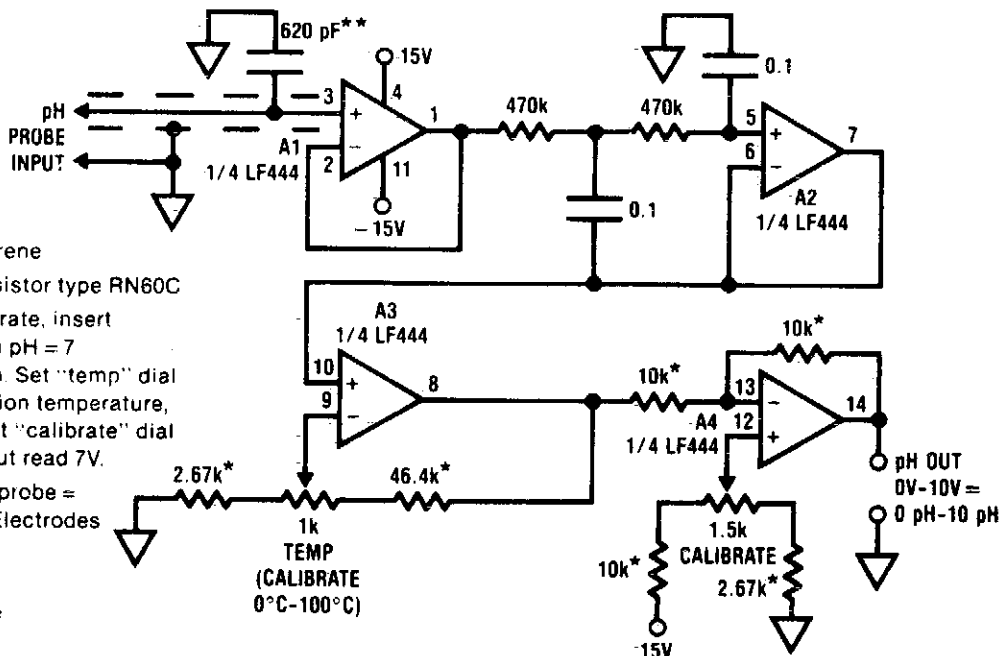


Fig. 49-3

### Circuit Notes

With guaranteed 1 pA input bias, the ICL 8007A is ideal as a pH meter or long term sample and hold.

### pH PROBE AMPLIFIER/TEMPERATURE COMPENSATOR



\*\* Polystyrene

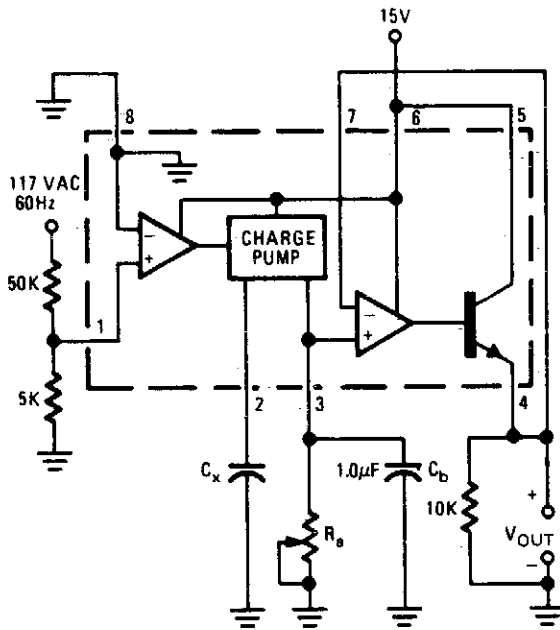
\* Film resistor type RN60C

To calibrate, insert probe in pH = 7 solution. Set "temp" dial to solution temperature, then, set "calibrate" dial so output read 7V.

Typical probe =  
Ingold Electrodes  
#465-35

Fig. 49-4

### CAPACITANCE METER



#### Circuit Notes

Output voltage is proportional to the capacitance connected to pin 2 of the charge pump. The meter works over a range of 0.01 to 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  with  $R_a$  set at 111 K. Over this range of capacitance, the output voltage varies from 1 to 10 volts with a 15 volt power supply. A constant frequency reference is taken from the 60-Hz line.

Fig. 49-5

### ZENER TESTER

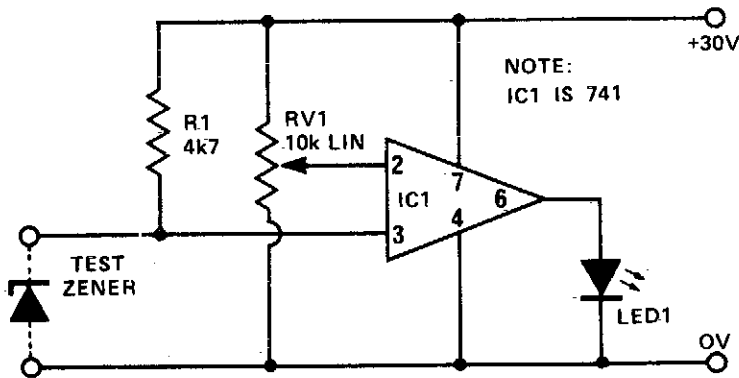


Fig. 49-6

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a low cost and reliable method of testing zener diodes. RV1 can be calibrated in volts, so that when LED 1 just lights, the voltage on pins 2 and 3 are nearly equal. Hence, the zener voltage can be read

directly from the setting of RV1. The supply need only be as high a value as the zener itself. For a more accurate measurement, a precision pot could be added and calibrated.

### TRANSISTOR SORTER/TESTER

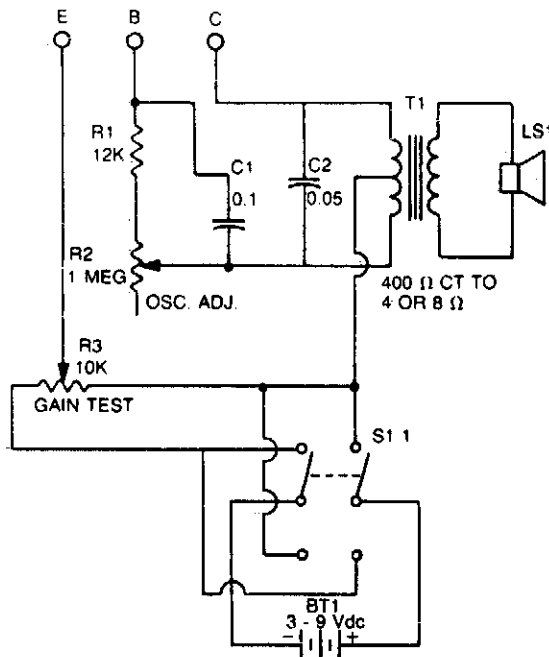


Fig. 49-7

#### Circuit Notes

This tester checks transistor for polarity (PNP or NPN). An audible signal will give an indication of gain. Tester can also be used as a GO/NO GO tester to match unmarked devices.

### GO/NO-GO DIODE TESTER

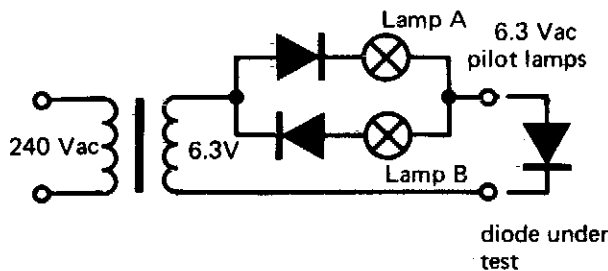


Fig. 49-8

#### Circuit Notes

If lamp A or B is illuminated, the diode is serviceable. If both light, the diode is short circuited. If neither light, diode is an open circuit.

### DIODE TESTER

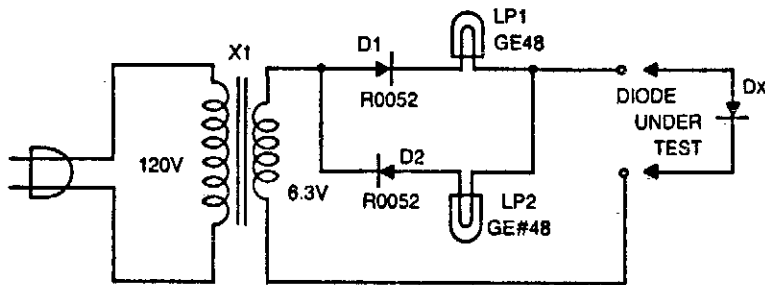


Fig. 49-9

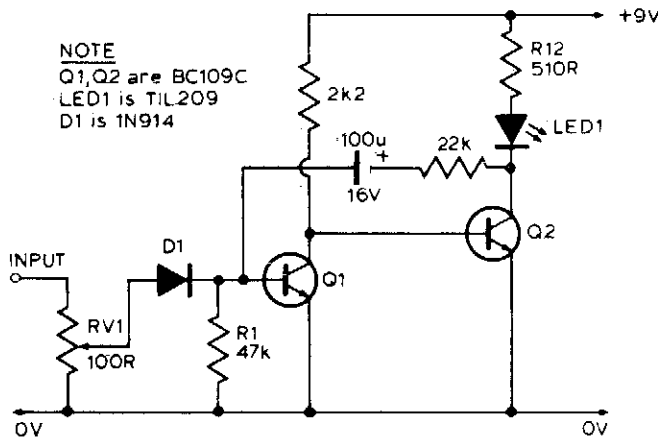
**Parts list**

- D1, D2—HEP R0052
- LP1, LP2—GE 48 lamp
- X1—120V to 6.3V, transformer, Lafayette 33P80508

### Circuit Notes

The circuit tests whether or not a diode is open, shorted, or functioning correctly. If lamp A lights, the diode under test is functional. When lamp B is lit, the diode is good but connected backwards. When both lamps are lit, the diode is shorted, and it is open if neither lamp is lit.

### PEAK LEVEL INDICATOR



**NOTE**  
 Q1, Q2 are BC109C  
 LED1 is TIL209  
 D1 is 1N914

Fig. 49-10

### Circuit Notes

The LED is normally lit, but it will be briefly extinguished if the input exceeds a preset (by RV1) level. A possible application is to monitor the output voltage across a loudspeaker; the LED will flicker with large signals.

### SOUND LEVEL MONITOR

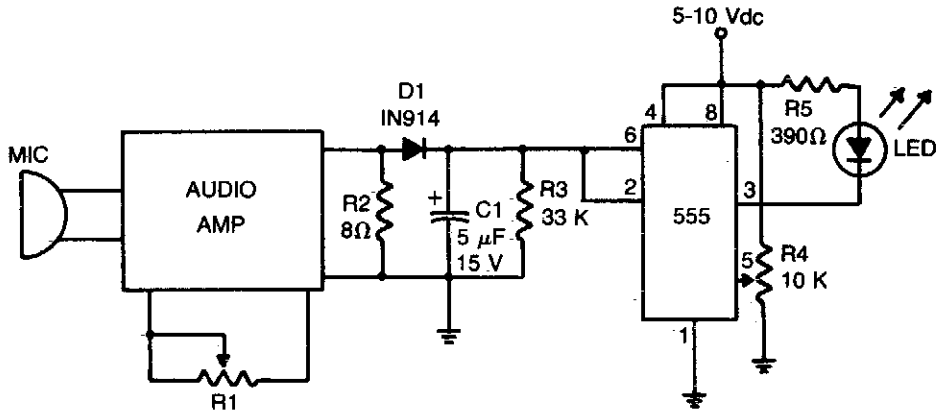


Fig. 49-11

#### Circuit Notes

Loudness detector consists of a 555 IC wired as a Schmitt trigger. The output changes state—from high to low—whenever the input crosses a certain voltage. That threshold voltage is established by the setting of R4.

### LINEAR VARIABLE DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMER (LVDT) DRIVER DEMODULATOR

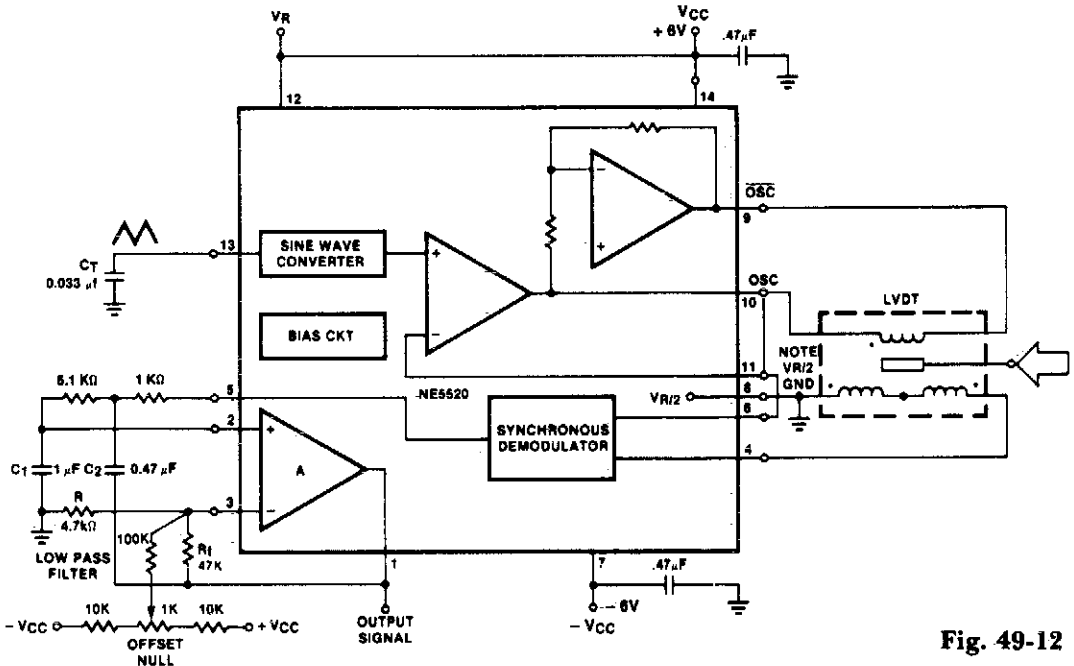


Fig. 49-12

## LINEAR VARIABLE DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMER (LVDT) MEASURING GAUGE

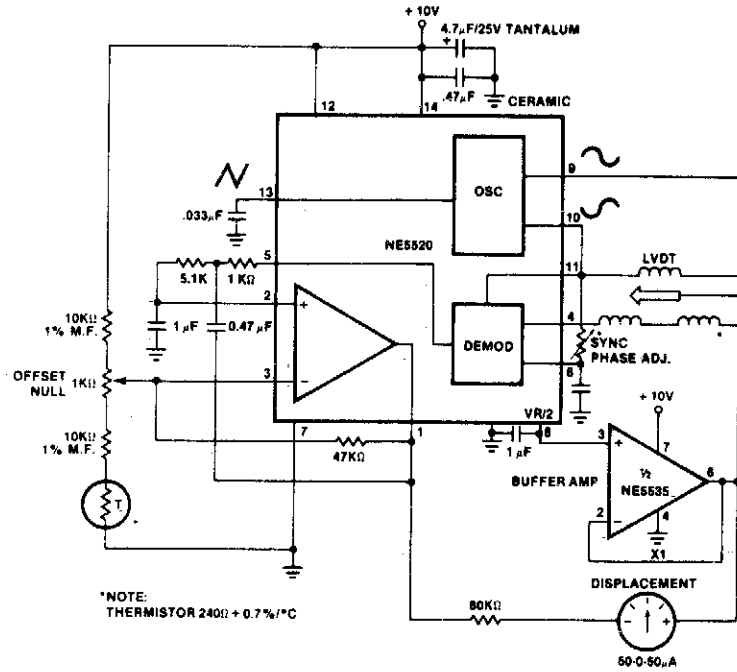


Fig. 49-13

## VIBRATION METER

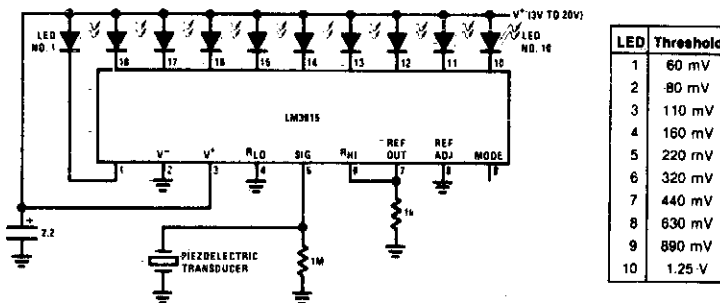


Fig. 49-14



### SENSITIVE RF VOLTMEETER

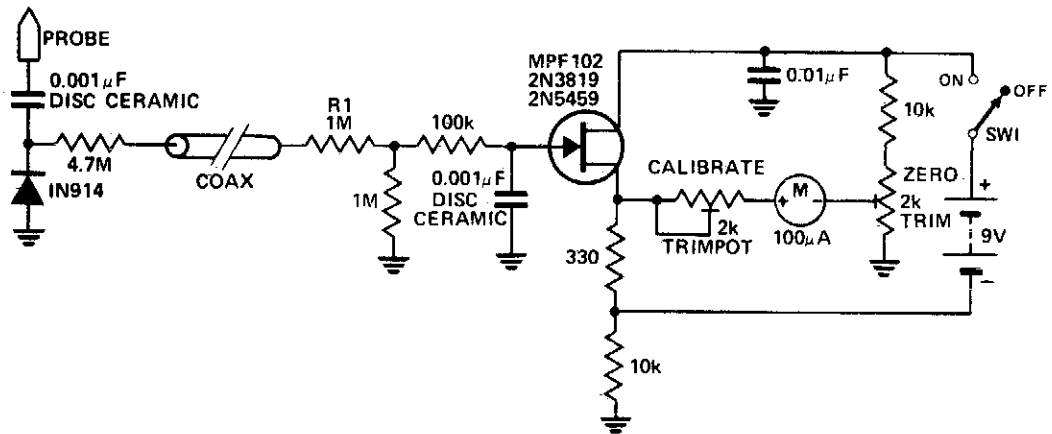


Fig. 49-15

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit measures RF voltages beyond 200 MHz and up to about 5 V. The diode should be mounted in a remote probe, close to the probe tip. Sensitivity is excellent and voltages less than 1 V peak can be easily measured. The

unit can be calibrated by connecting the input to a known level of RF voltage, such as a calibrated signal generator, and setting the calibrate control.

### MINIMUM COMPONENT TACHOMETER

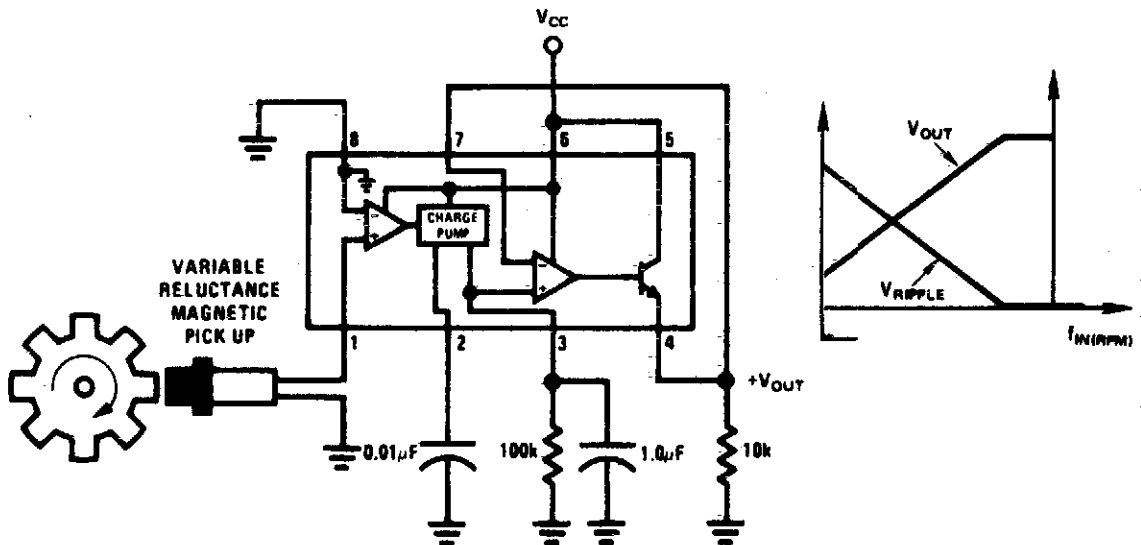
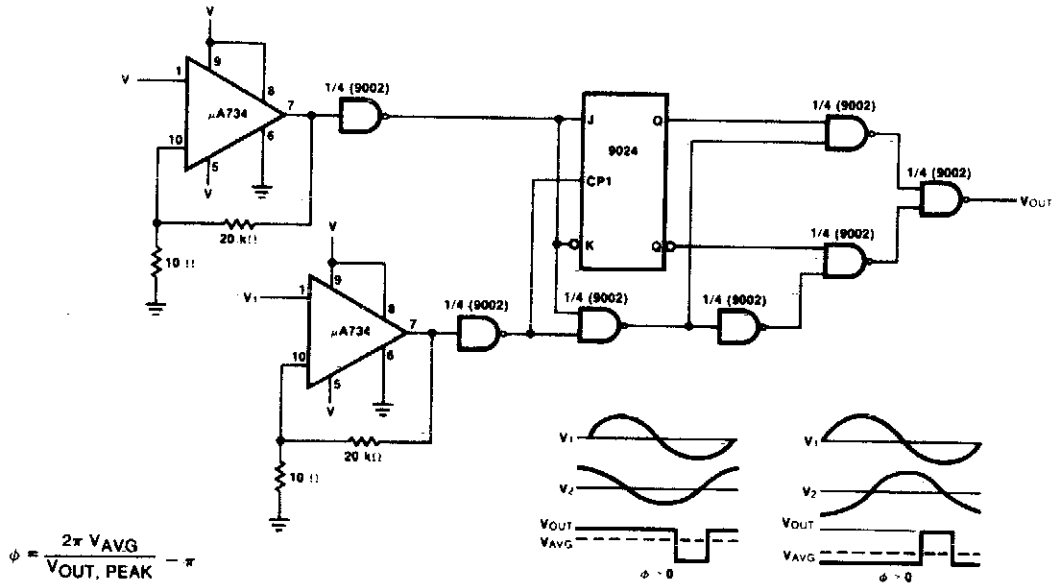


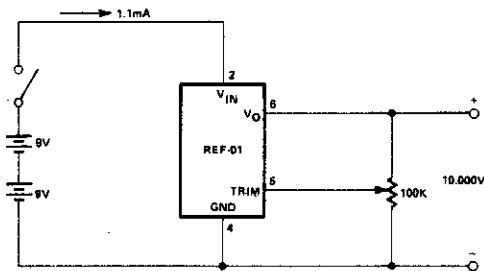
Fig. 49-16

## PHASE METER



**Fig. 49-17**

## PRECISION CALIBRATION STANDARD

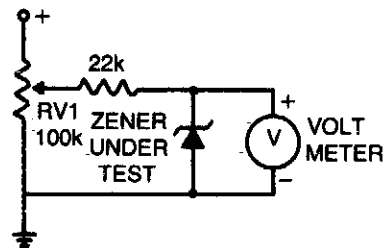


**Fig. 49-18**

### Circuit Notes

An external power supply that gives a voltage higher than the highest expected rating of the zener diodes to be tested is required. Potentiometer  $RV_1$  is adjusted until the meter reading stabilizes. This reading is the zener diode's breakdown voltage.

## ZENER DIODE CHECKER



**Fig. 49-19**

# 50

## Metal Detectors

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Micropower Metal Detector

Lo-Parts Treasure Locator

## MICROPOWER METAL DETECTOR

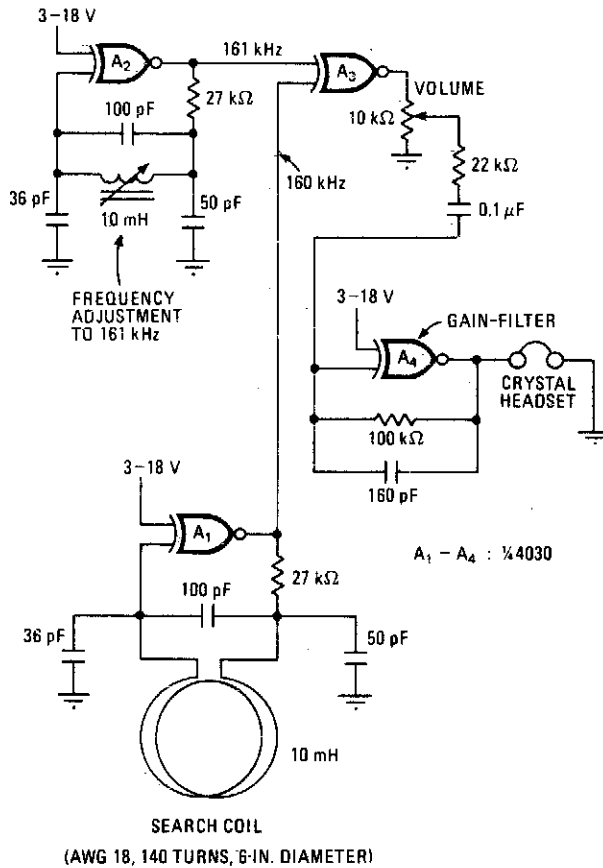
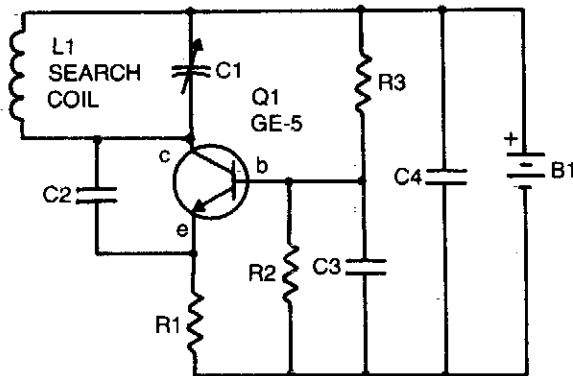


Fig. 50-1

### Circuit Notes

This battery-powered metal detector uses four exclusive-OR gates contained in the 4030 CMOS integrated circuit. The gates are wired as a twin-oscillators and a search coil serves as the inductance element in one of the oscillators. When the coil is brought near metal, the resultant change in its effective inductance changes the oscillator's frequency. Gates A1 and A2 form the two oscillators which are tuned to 160 and 161 kilohertz respectively. The pulses produced by each oscillator are mixed in A3, its output contains sum and difference frequencies at 1 and 321 kHz. The 321 kHz signal is filtered out by the 10 kHz low-pass filter at A4, leaving the 1 kHz signal to be amplified for the crystal headset connected at the output. The device's sensitivity is sufficient to detect coin-sized objects a foot away.

## LO-PARTS TREASURE LOCATOR



**Fig. 50-2**

### PARTS LIST FOR

#### LO-PARTS TREASURE LOCATOR

- B1—9-Vdc transistor battery
- C1—365-pF trimmer or variable capacitor
- C2—100-pF, 100-V silver mica capacitor
- C3—0.05- $\mu$ F, disc capacitor
- C4—4.7- or 5- $\mu$ F, 12-V electrolytic capacitor
- L1—Search coil consisting of 18 turns of #22 enamel wire scramble wound on 4-in. diameter form
- Q1—RCA-SK3011 npn transistor or equiv.
- R1—680-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor
- R2—10,000-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor
- R3—47,000-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor

### Circuit Notes

Locator uses a transistor radio as the detector. With the radio tuned to a weak station, adjust C1 so the locator oscillator beats against the received signal. When the search head passes over metal, the inductance of L1 changes thereby changing the locator oscillator's frequency and changing the beat tone in the radio.

The search coil consists of 18 turns of #22 enameled wire scramble wound on a 4-in. diameter form. After the coil is wound and checked for proper operation, saturate the coil with RTV adhesive for stable operation of the locator.

# 51

## Metronomes

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Accentuated Beat Metronome

Sight N' Sound Metronome

Micrometronome

## ACCENTUATED BEAT METRONOME

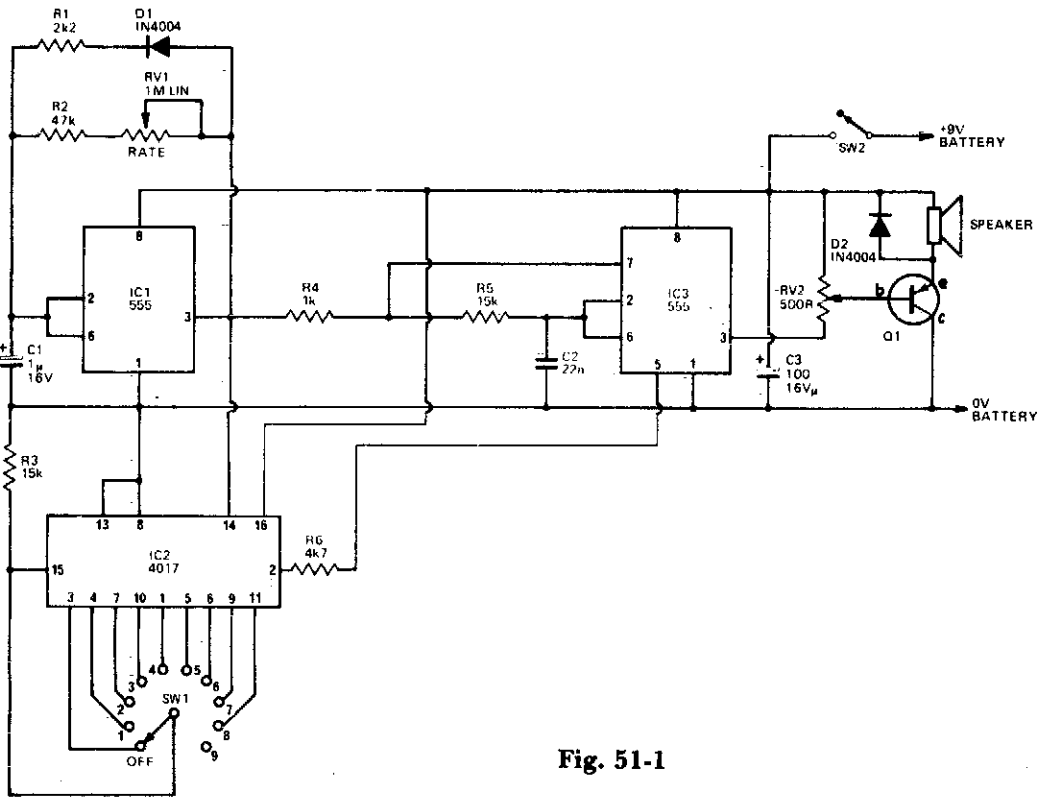


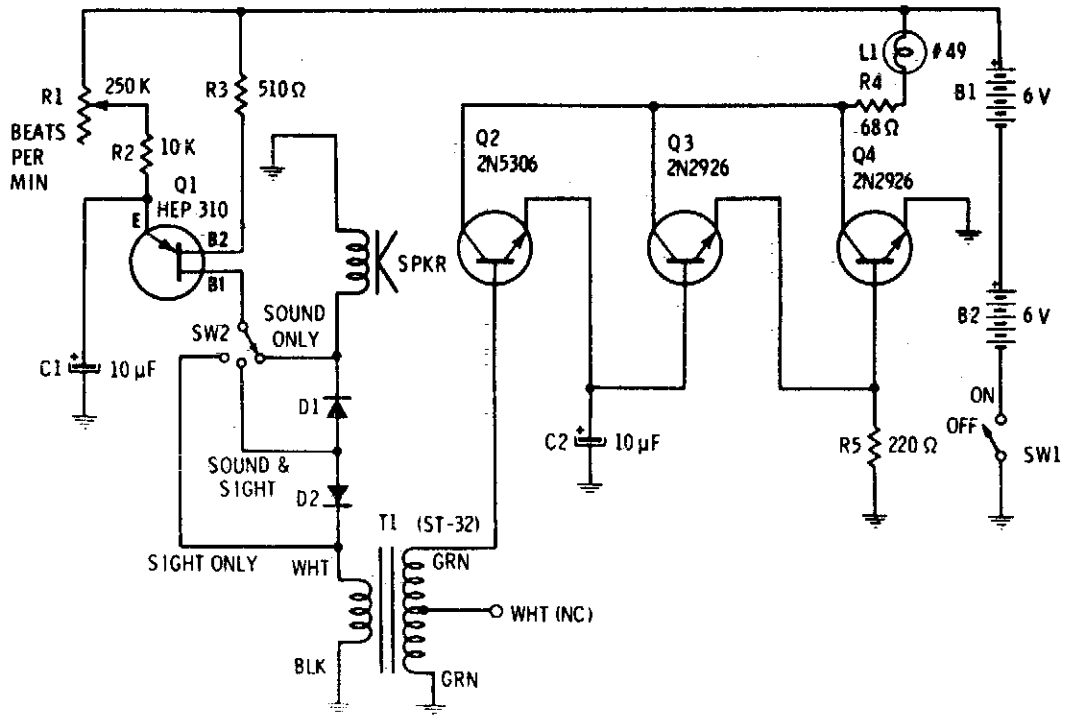
Fig. 51-1

### Circuit Notes

IC3 acts as an oscillator which operates if the output of IC1 is high. With the values used the two frequencies produced are about 800 Hz and 2500 Hz. The output is buffered by Q1 which drives the speaker. The first IC is used to generate the tone duration and the time interval between beats. The interval is adjustable by RV1 while the tone duration is set by R1. The output of IC1 also clocks IC2, a decade counter with 10 decoded outputs. Each of these outputs go high in sequence on each clock. The

second output of IC2 is connected to the control input of IC3 and is used to change the frequency. Therefore the first tone will be high frequency, the second low and the third to tenth will be high again. This gives the 9-1 beat. If for example the 5th output is connected to the reset, the first tone will be high, the second low, and the third and fourth high, then when the 5th output goes to a high it resets it back to the first which is a high tone. We then have 3 high and one low tones or a 3-1.

## SIGHT N' SOUND METRONOME



**Fig. 51-2**

### Circuit Notes

Precise, adjustable control of beats per minute from a largo of 18 to a frenzied, high presto of 500. These beats are produced acoustically through a speaker. A light flashes at the same rate. When SW1 is closed, C1 begins to charge through R1 and R2. C1 will eventually reach a voltage at which the emitter of unijunction transistor is switched on, "dumping" the

energy stored in C1 into an 8 ohm speaker. To produce a distinct "plop", brief pulses across T2 secondary drive Q2 into conduction. The extra gain of Q3 and Q4 are sufficient to briefly switch L1 on, then off, as the pulse wave passes. Capacitor C2 "stretches" the pulse slightly to overcome the thermal inertia of the lamp, so that a bright flash occurs.



## MICROMETRONOME

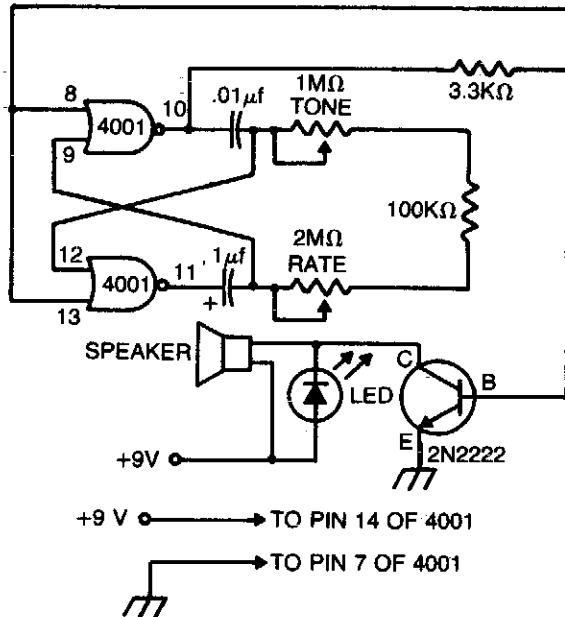
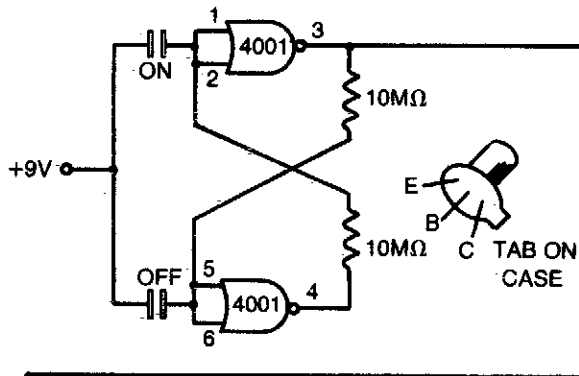


Fig. 51-3

### Circuit Notes

This compact metronome will run for years on a single nine-volt transistor battery. Has both tone and pulse rate controls, and uses touch plates to start and stop, can be built in a case no larger than a pack of cigarettes. The

touch plates consist of two strips of metal about 1/16-inch apart mounted on, but insulated from, the case. Bridging the gap closes the switch.

# 52

## Miscellaneous Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|                                       |                                      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Intercom                              | Positive-Edge Differentiator         |
| Musical Organ                         | Four Channel Data Acquisition System |
| Laser Diode Pulser                    | Triac Trigger                        |
| Capacitance Multiplier                | Precision Rectifiers                 |
| Simulated Inductor                    | Voltage Control Resistor             |
| Active Inductor                       | Fast Inverter Circuit                |
| Positive Input/Negative Output Charge | Inverse Scaler                       |
| Pump                                  | 5.0 V Square Wave Calibrator         |
| Shift Register Driver                 | Low Drift Integrator and Low-Leakage |
| Tape Recorder                         | Guarded Reset                        |
| Negative-Edge Differentiator          | Differentiator with High Common Mode |
| Stylus Organ                          | Noise Rejection                      |

Digital Transmission Isolator



### LASER DIODE PULSER

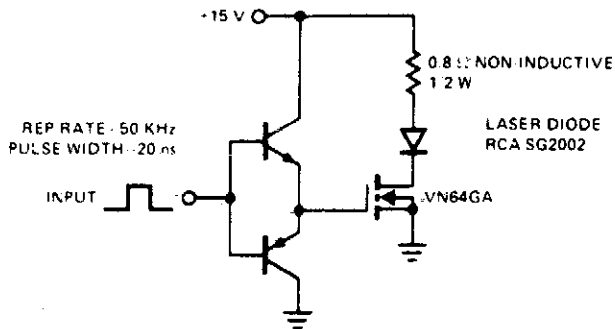
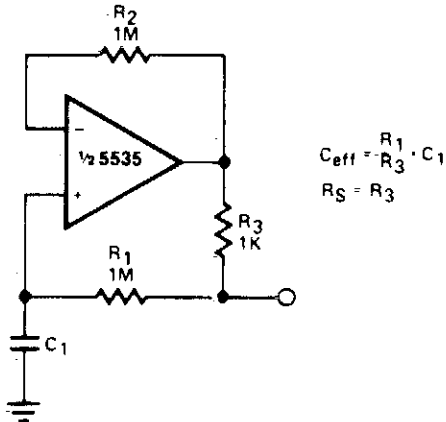


Fig. 52-3

#### Circuit Notes

This drive is capable of driving the laser-diode with 10 ampere, 20 ns pulses. For a 0.1% duty cycle, the repetition rate will be 50 kHz. A complementary emitter-follower is used as a driver. Switching speed is determined by the  $f_T$  of the bipolar transistors used and the impedance of the drive source.

### CAPACITANCE MULTIPLIER



$$C_{\text{eff}} = R_2 \cdot C_1$$

$$R_S = R_3$$

Fig. 52-4

All resistor values are in ohms

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be used to simulate large capacitances using small value components. With the values shown and  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ , an effective capacitance of  $10,000 \mu\text{F}$  was obtained. The Q available is limited by the effective series resistance. So  $R_1$  should be as large as practical.

## SIMULATED INDUCTOR

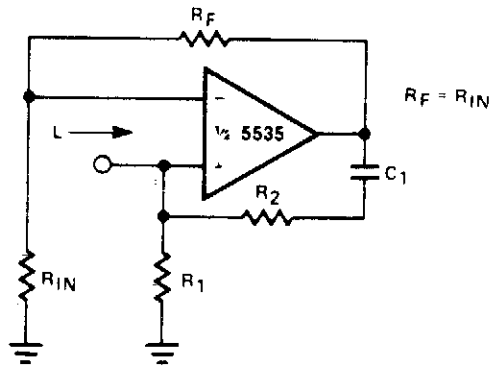


Fig. 52-5

### Circuit Notes

With a constant current excitation, the voltage dropped across an inductance increases with frequency. Thus, an active device whose output increases with frequency can be characterized as an inductance. The circuit yields such a response with the effective inductance being equal to:  $L = R_1 R_2 C$ . The Q of this inductance depends upon  $R_1$  being equal to  $R_2$ . At the same time, however, the positive and negative feedback paths of the amplifier are equal leading to the distinct possibility of instability at high frequencies.  $R_1$  should, therefore, always be slightly smaller than  $R_2$  to assure stable operation.

## ACTIVE INDUCTOR

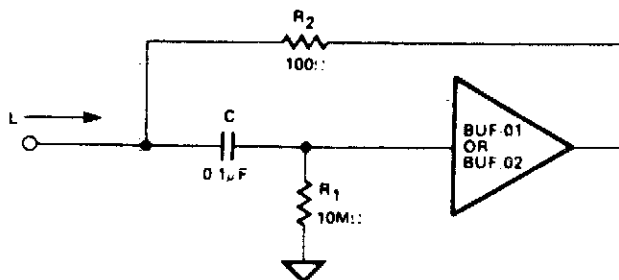


Fig. 52-6

$$L \approx R_1 R_2 C = 100 \text{ HENRIES}$$

$$R_S = R_2 = 100\Omega$$

$$R_P = R_1 = 10 \text{ MEG}\Omega$$

ASSUMING CSTRAY (ACROSS  $R_1$ ) OF 5 pF THE UPPER FREQUENCY LIMIT IS APPROXIMATELY 7kHz.

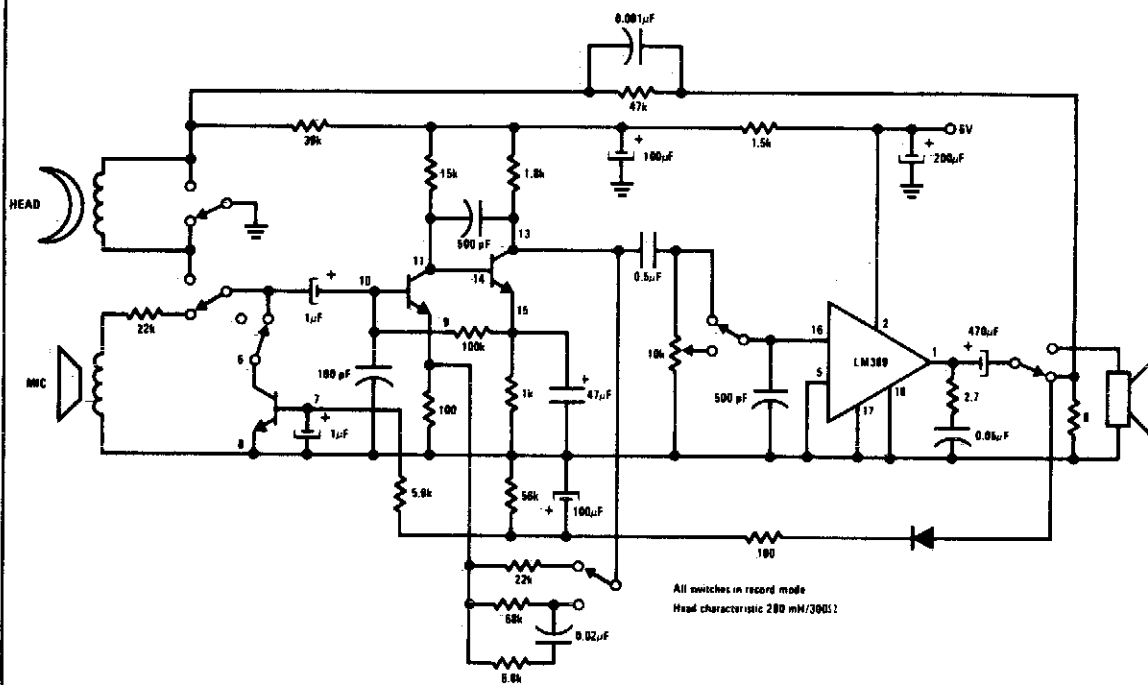
$$X_L = 100\Omega \text{ AT } f = 0.159 \text{ Hz}$$

### Circuit Notes

An active inductor is realized with an eight-lead IC, two carbon resistors, and a small capacitor. A commercial inductor of 50 henries may occupy up to five cubic inches.



## TAPE RECORDER

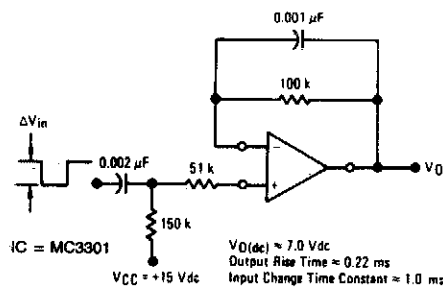


**Fig. 52-9**

### Circuit Notes

Complete record/playback-cassette tape machine amplifier. Two of the transistors act as signal amplifiers, with the third used for automatic level control during the record mode.

## NEGATIVE-EDGE DIFFERENTIATOR



**Fig. 52-10**

## STYLUS ORGAN

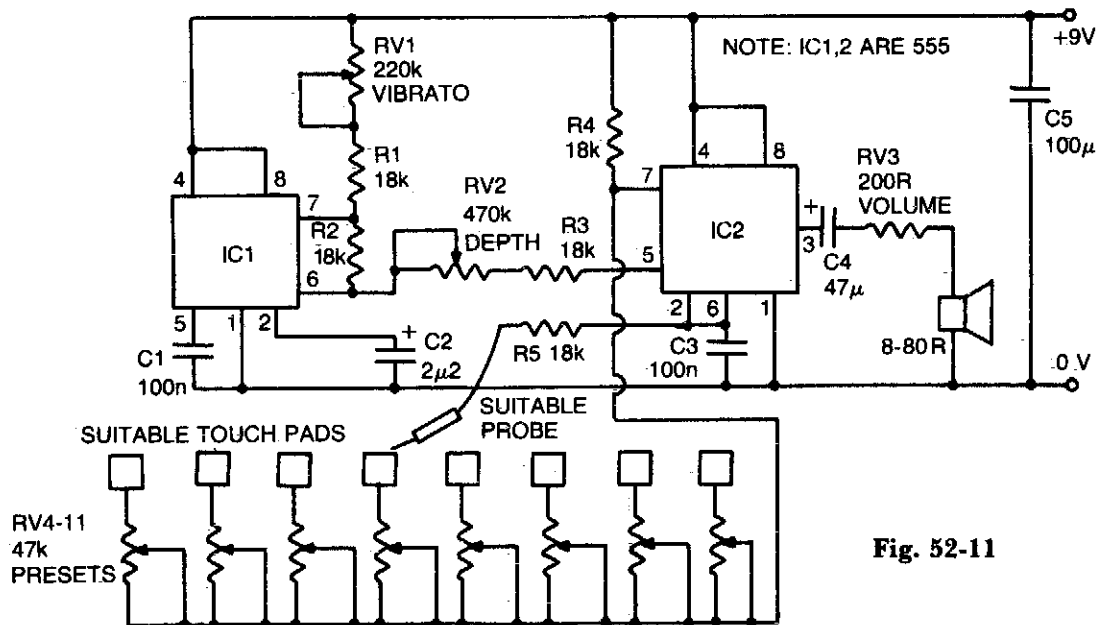


Fig. 52-11

### Circuit Notes

IC2 is an audio frequency oscillator. Its frequency is primarily controlled by the resistance between pins 2 and 7. RV4-11 control the oscillator frequency and by touching a stylus (connected via limiting resistor R5 to pin 2) to each preset, different notes can be played. IC1 is a low frequency oscillator (approximately

3-10Hz), the frequency of which is variable by RV1. The output of this oscillator is connected through depth control RV2 and limiting resistor R3 to the voltage control input of the audio frequency oscillator. Thus a vibrato effect occurs.

## POSITIVE-EDGE DIFFERENTIATOR

Output Rise Time  $\approx 0.22$  ms  
 Input Change Time Constant  $\approx 1.0$  ms

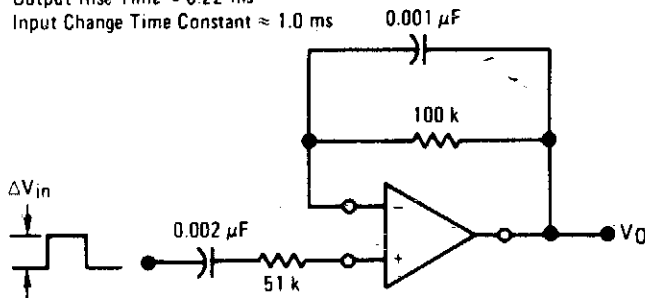


Fig. 52-12



## FOUR CHANNEL DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

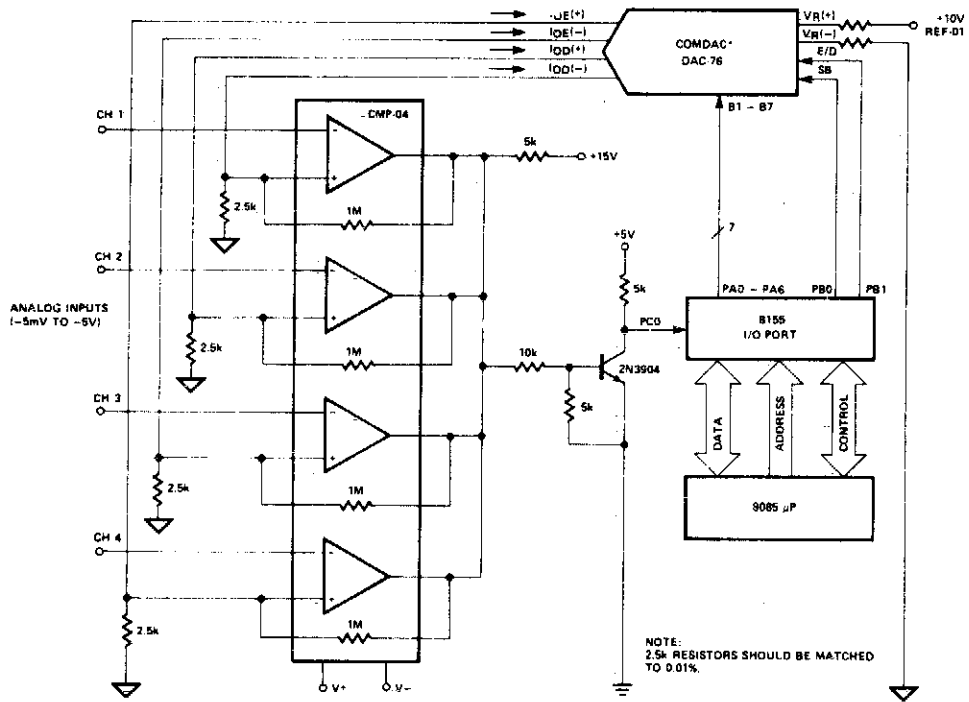


Fig. 52-13

## TRIAC TRIGGER

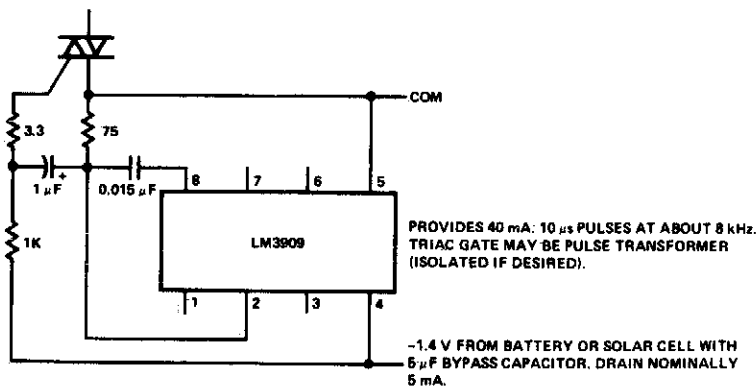
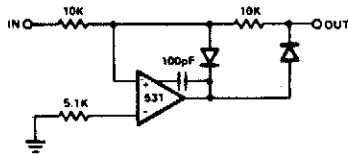


Fig. 52-14

## PRECISION RECTIFIERS

(a) HALF WAVE



(b) FULL WAVE

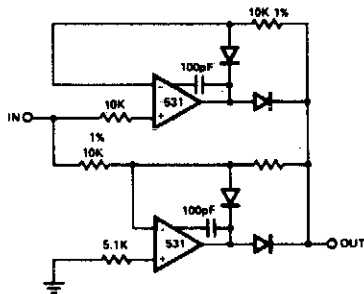


Fig. 52-15

## FAST INVERTER CIRCUIT

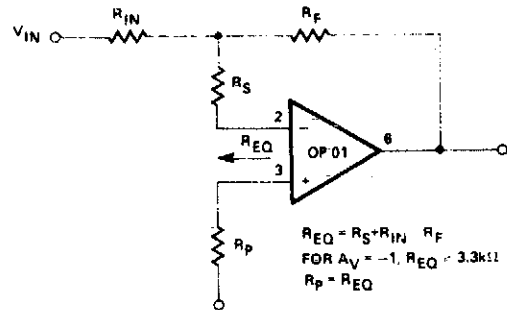


Fig. 52-17

## VOLTAGE CONTROL RESISTOR

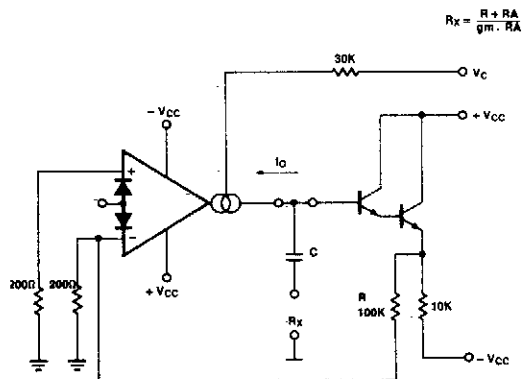


Fig. 52-16

## INVERSE SCALER

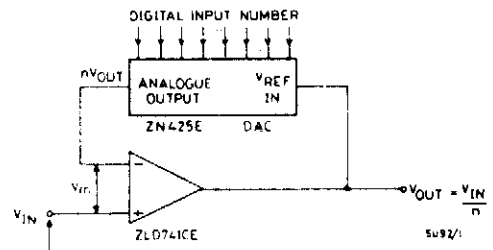


Fig. 52-18

### Circuit Notes

If a DAC is operated in the feedback loop of an operational amplifier, then the amplifier gain is inversely proportional to the input digital number or code to the DAC. The version giving scaling inversely proportional to positive voltage is shown.

### 5.0 V SQUARE WAVE CALIBRATOR

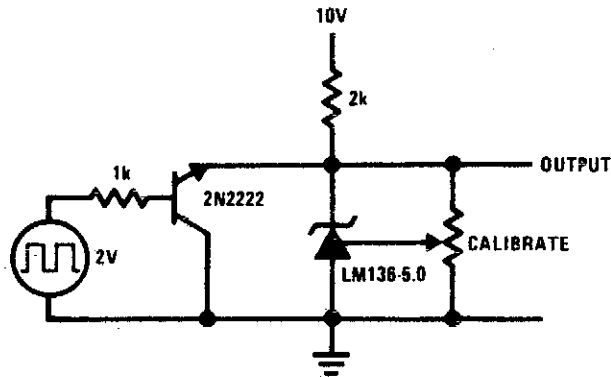


Fig. 52-19

### LOW DRIFT INTEGRATOR AND LOW-LEAKAGE GUARDED RESET

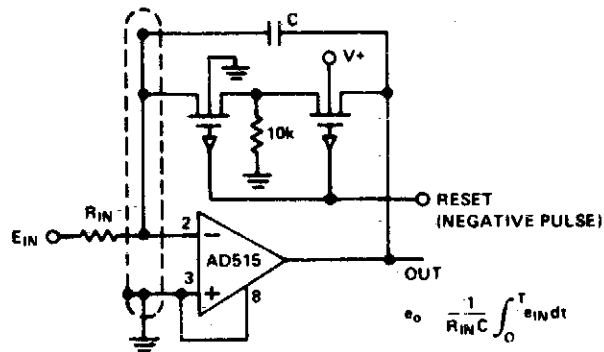
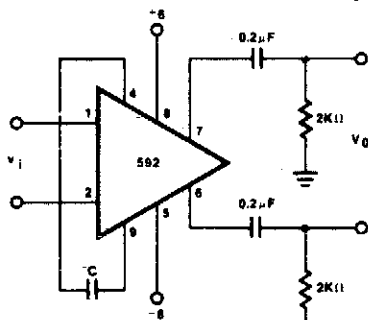


Fig. 52-20

### DIFFERENTIATOR WITH HIGH COMMON MODE NOISE REJECTION



FOR FREQUENCY  $F_1 \ll 1/2 \pi (32) C$   
 $V_0 = 1.4 \times 10^4 C \frac{dV_i}{dt}$

Fig. 52-21

### DIGITAL TRANSMISSION ISOLATOR

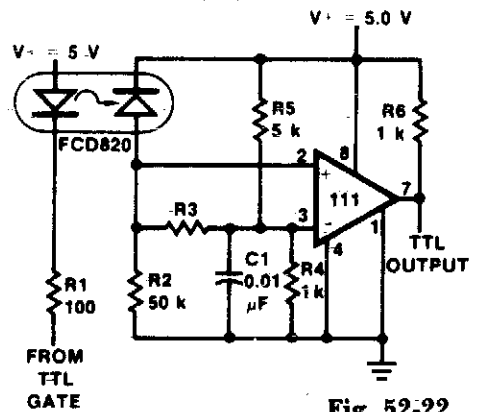


Fig. 52-22

# 53

## Mixers and Multiplexers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Differential Mux/Demux System  
Eight Channel Mux/Demux System  
Doubly Balanced Mixer

Common-Source Mixer  
100 MHz Mixer  
Multiplexer/Mixer

Wide Band Differential Multiplexer

# DIFFERENTIAL MUX/DEMUX SYSTEM

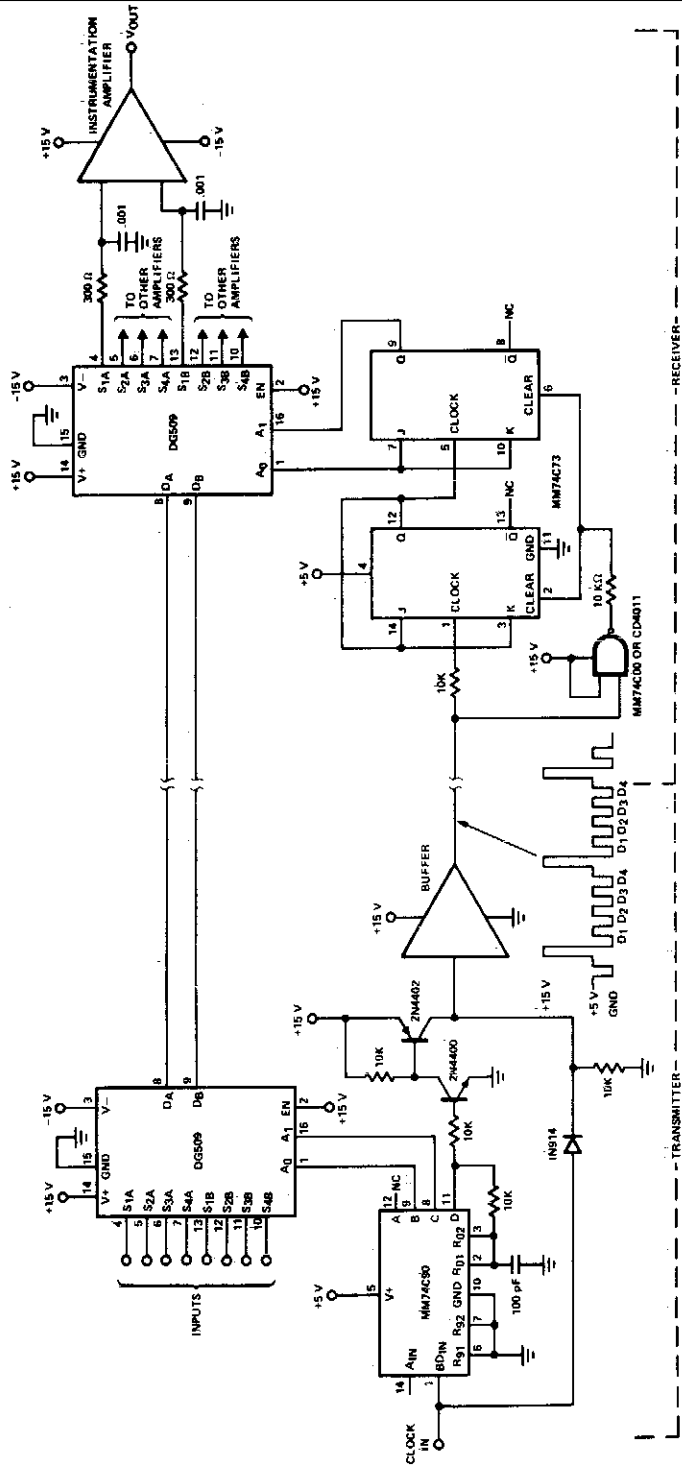


Fig. 53-1

# EIGHT CHANNEL MUX/DEMUX SYSTEM

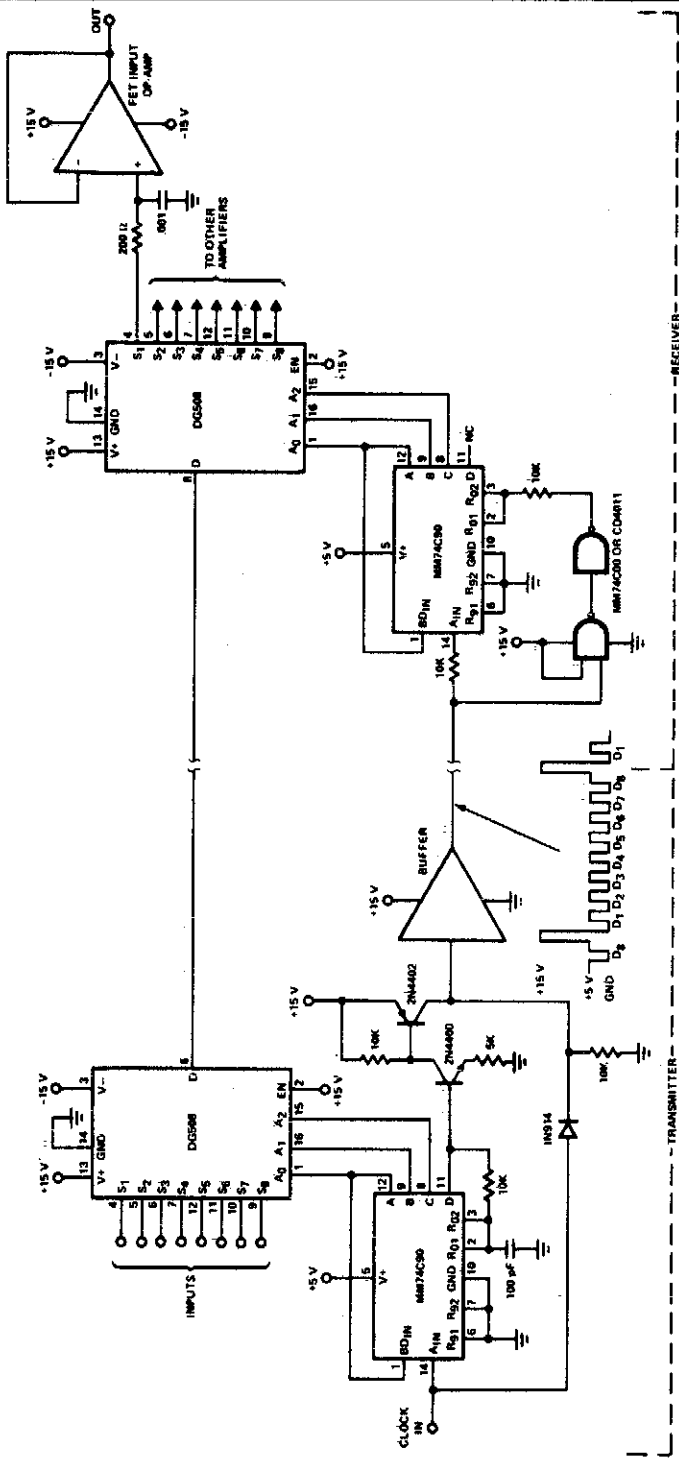


Fig. 53-2



## WIDE BAND DIFFERENTIAL MULTIPLEXER

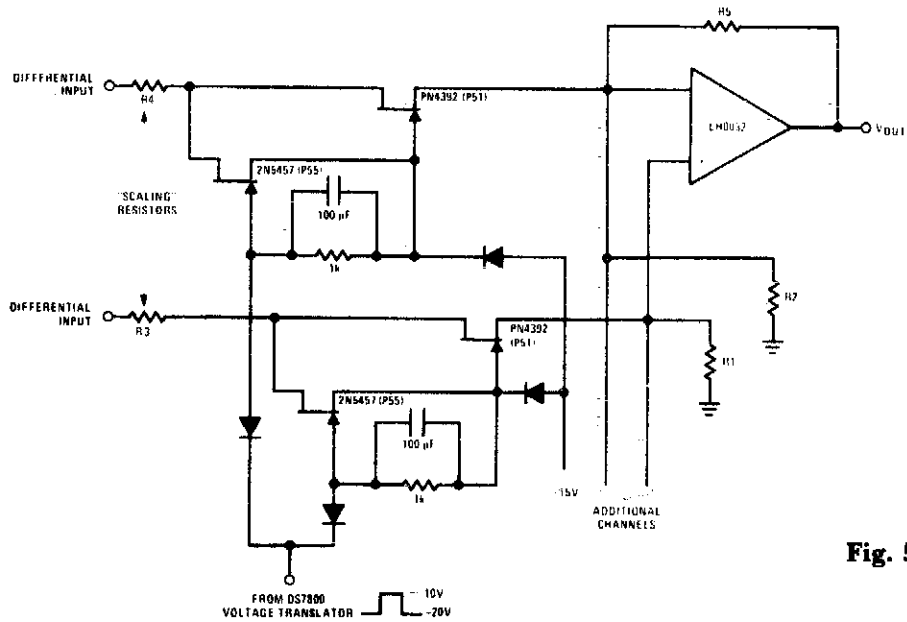


Fig. 53-7

### Circuit Notes

This design allows high frequency signal handling and high toggle rates simultaneously. Toggle rates up to 1 MHz and MHz signals are possible with this circuit.



# 54

## Modulation Monitors

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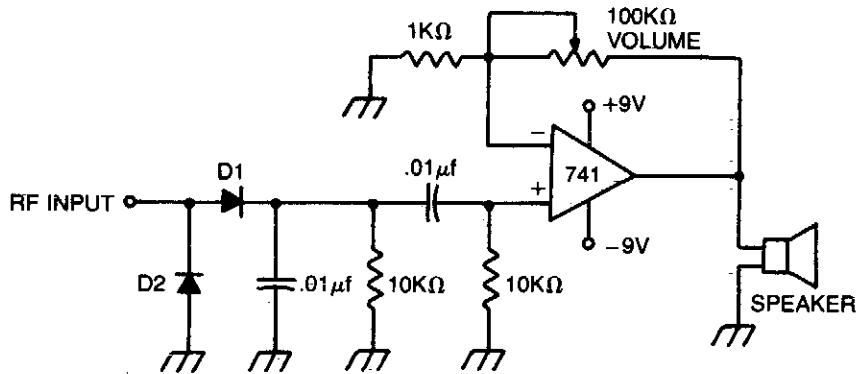
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Modulation Monitor

Visual Modulation Indicator

CB Modulation Monitor

### MODULATION MONITOR



NOTE:  
D1 AND D2: GERMANIUM  
DIODES SUCH AS 1N34.

Fig. 54-1

#### Circuit Notes

Broad-tuned receiver demodulates the RF signal picked up by a loosely coupled wire placed near the transmitting antenna.

### VISUAL MODULATION INDICATOR

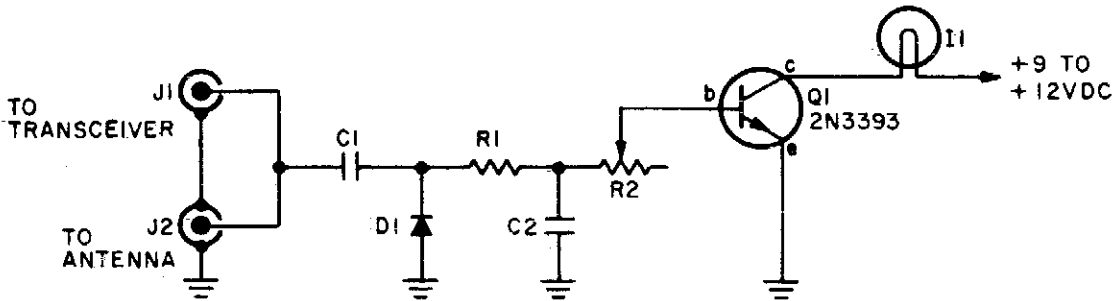


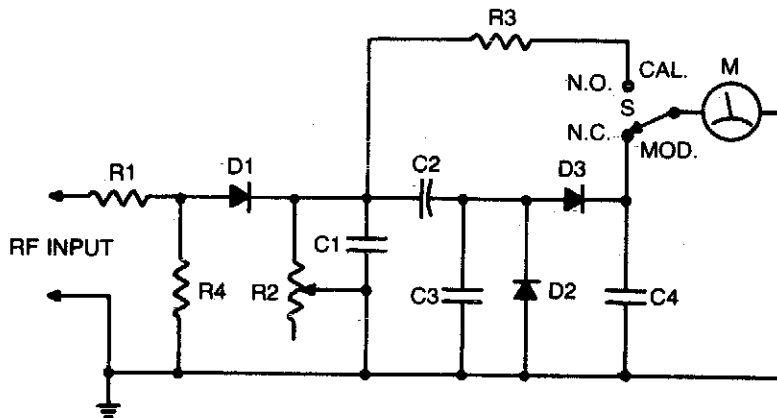
Fig. 54-2

#### Circuit Notes

Indicator lamp brightness varies in step with modulated RF signal. Adjust R2 with transmitter on (modulated) until the lamp flashes in step with modulation. C1 = 5 pf, C2 = 100 pF, D1 = 1N60 or 1N34 (Germanium),

R3 = 10 K pot, I1 = 6-8 V, 30-60 mA incandescent bulb, Q1 = 2N3393 (for increased sensitivity use 2N3392 or other high-gain transistor).

## CB MODULATION MONITOR



**Fig. 54-3**

### PARTS LIST

- C1—500-pF, 100-Vdc capacitor
- C2—10- $\mu$ F, 10-Vdc electrolytic capacitor
- C3—200-pF, 100-Vdc capacitor
- C4—300-pF, 100-Vdc capacitor
- D1, D2, D3—1N60
- M1—0-1 mA DC high-speed meter
- R1, R4—1000-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor
- R2—1000-ohm pot
- R3—910-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor, 5%
- S1—Spdt spring-return switch

### Circuit Notes

Connect this circuit to a transceiver with a coaxial T connector in the transmission line. Key the transmitter (unmodulated), set S1 to CAL, and adjust R2 for a full scale reading. Return S1 to MOD position. The meter will read % modulation with 10% accuracy.

# 55

## Modulators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

TV Modulator

TV Modulator

Pulse-Position Modulator

Pulse-Width Modulator

Pulse-Width Modulator

RF Modulator

Linear Pulse-Width Modulator

Balanced Modulator

Video Modulator

Modulator

Pulse-Width Modulator

AM Modulator

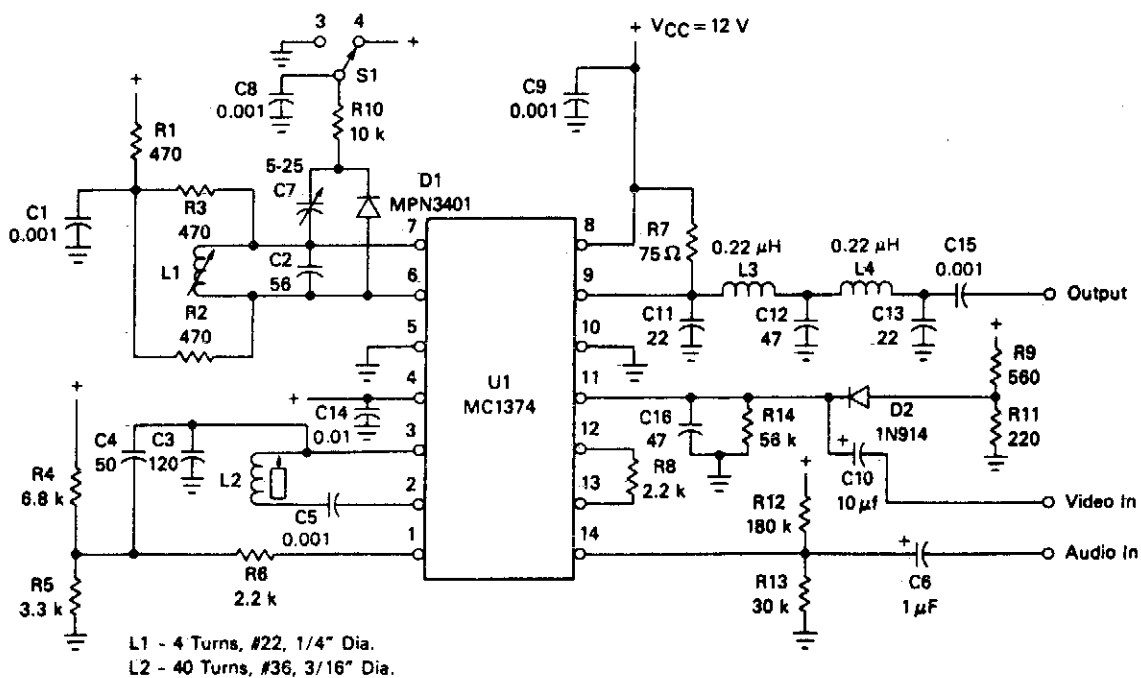
TV Modulator Using a Motorola MC1374

Pulse-Width Modulator

Pulse-Width Modulator

VHF Modulator

## TV MODULATOR



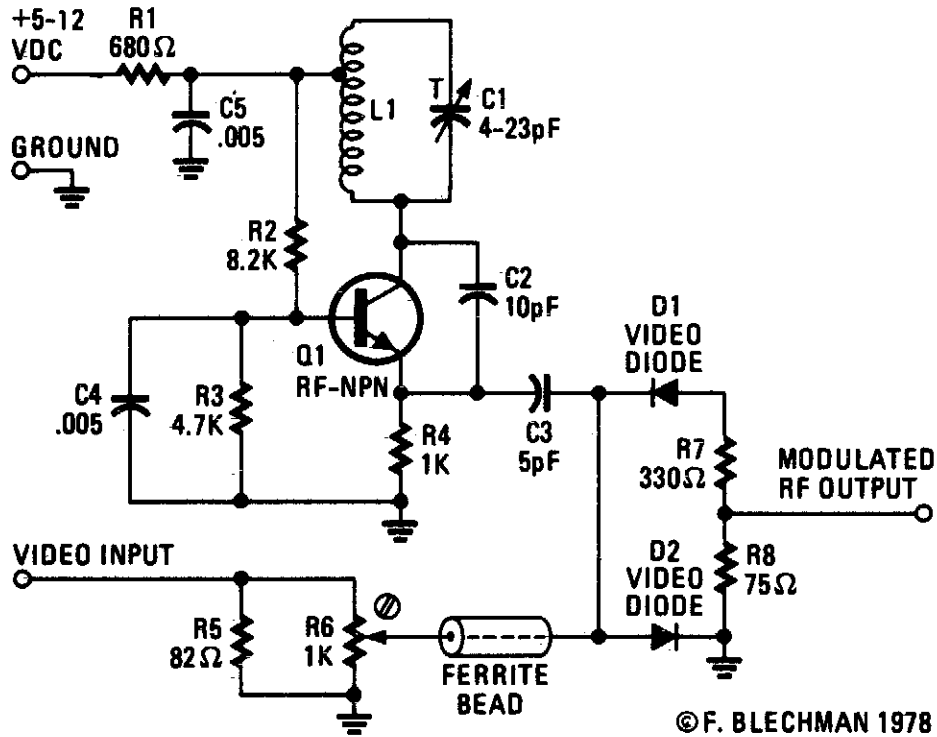
**Fig. 55-1**

### Circuit Notes

The FM oscillator/modulator is a voltage-controlled oscillator, which exhibits a nearly linear output frequency versus input voltage characteristic for a wide deviation. It provides a good FM source with a few inexpen-

sive external parts. It has a frequency range of 1.4 to 14 MHz and can typically produce a  $\pm 25$  kHz modulated 4.5 MHz signal with about 0.6% total harmonic distortion.

## TV MODULATOR



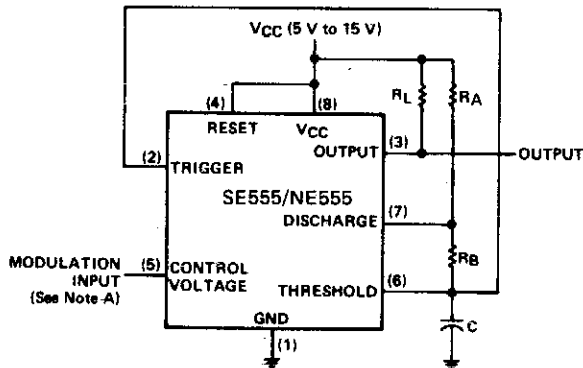
**Fig. 55-2**

### Circuit Notes

The VHF frequency is generated by a tuned Hartley oscillator circuit. Resistors R2, R3, and R4 bias the transistor, with tapped inductor L1 and trimmer capacitor C1 forming the tank circuit. Adjusting C1 determines the frequency. Capacitor C2 provides positive feedback from the tank circuit to the emitter at Q1. Capacitor C4 provides an RF ground for the base of Q1. Bypass capacitor C5 and resistor

R1 filter out the radio frequencies generated in the tank circuit to prevent radiation from the power-supply lines. The video signal enters the parallel combination of resistors R5 and R6; this combination closely matches the 75 ohm impedance of most video cables. Resistor R6 is a small screwdriver-adjusted potentiometer that is used to control the video input level to mixer diodes D1 and D2.

## PULSE-POSITION MODULATOR



NOTE A: The modulating signal may be direct or capacitively coupled to the control voltage terminal. For direct coupling, the effects of modulation source voltage and impedance on the bias of the SE555/NE555 should be considered.

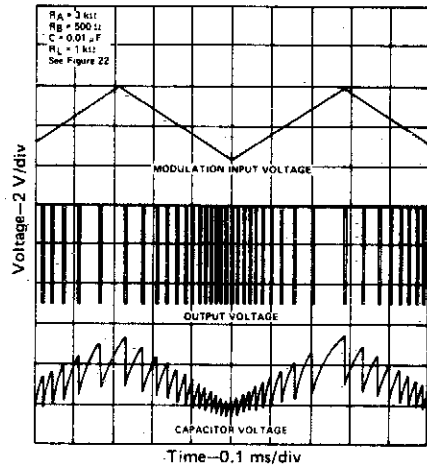


Fig. 55-3

### Circuit Notes

The threshold voltage, and thereby the time delay, of a free-running oscillator is shown modulated with a triangular-wave modulation signal; however, any modulating wave-shape could be used.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR

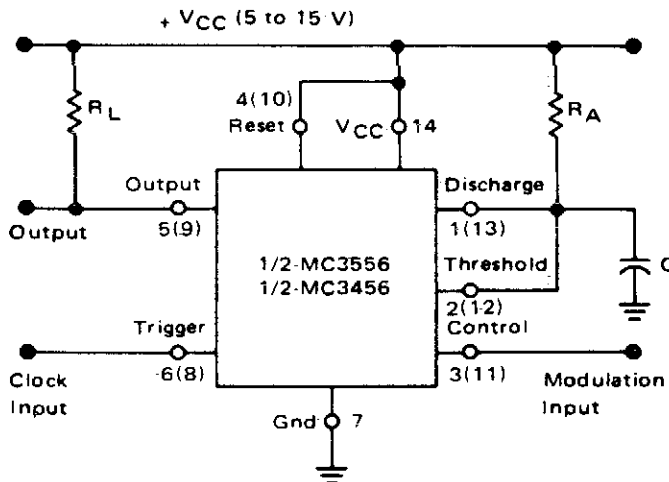


Fig. 55-4

### Circuit Notes

If the timer is triggered with a continuous pulse train in the monostable mode of operation, the charge time of the capacitor can be varied by changing the control voltage at pin 3.

In this manner, the output pulse width can be modulated by applying a modulating signal that controls the threshold voltage.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR

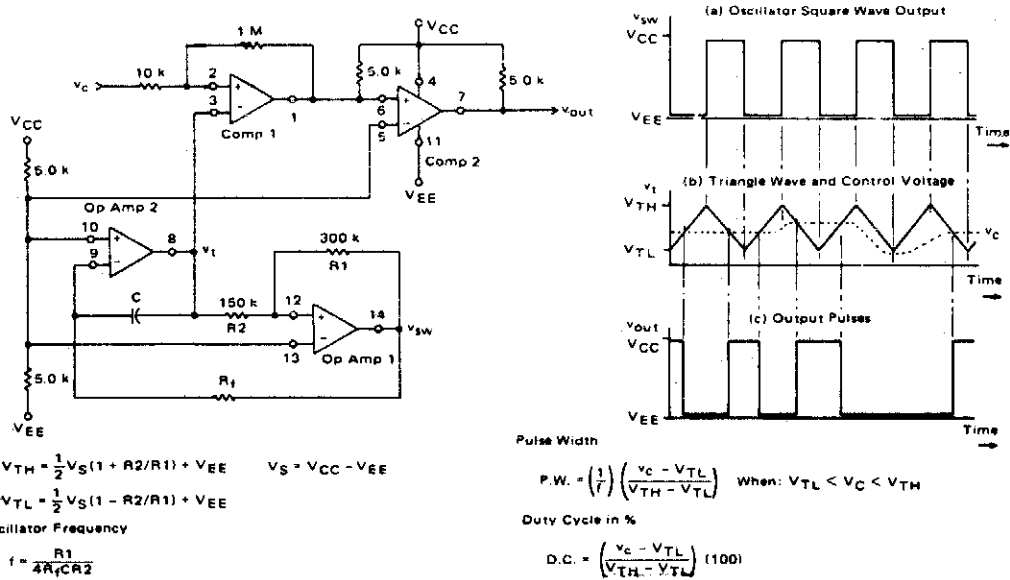


Fig. 55-5

## RF MODULATOR

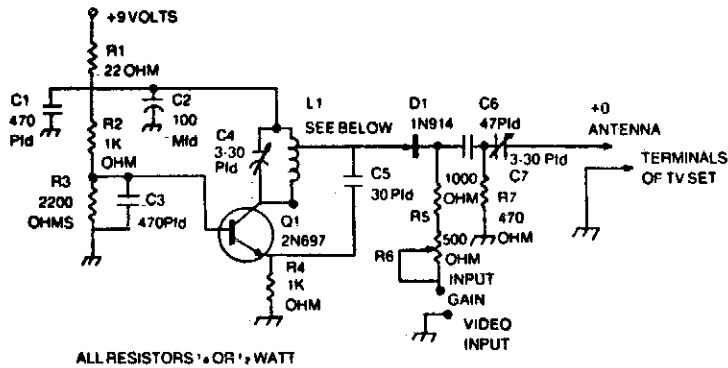


Fig. 55-6

### Circuit Notes

Capacitors  $C_1$ ,  $C_3$ ,  $C_5$ , and  $C_6$  should be dipped mica.  $C_4$  and  $C_7$  are compression or piston trimmer types.  $R_6$  is PC-board mount trimpot.  $L_1$  is 6 turns of No. 14 enameled wire,  $3/8$  inch I.D. by  $3/4$  inch long, tapped at 1 turn from top.



### LINEAR PULSE-WIDTH-MODULATOR

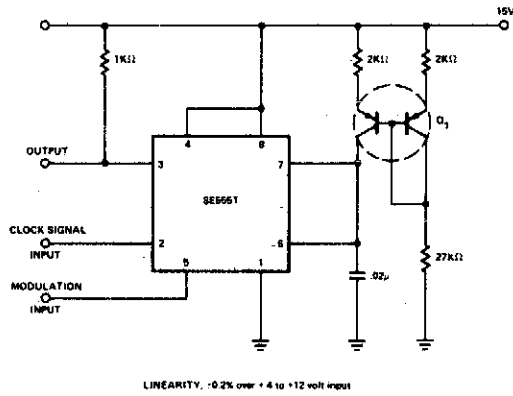


Fig. 55-7

### VIDEO MODULATOR

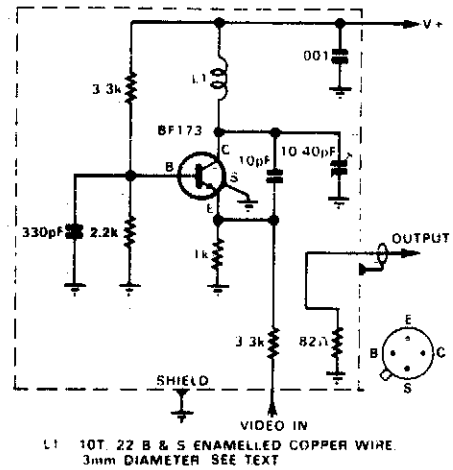


Fig. 55-9

### BALANCED MODULATOR (+12 Vdc SINGLE SUPPLY)

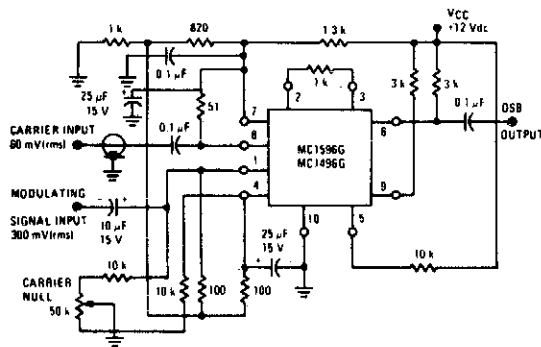


Fig. 55-8

### MODULATOR

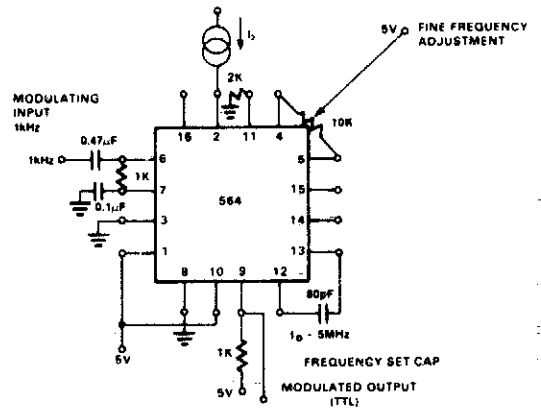
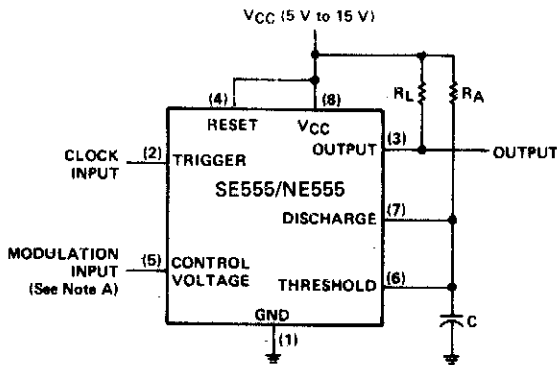


Fig. 55-10

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR



NOTE A: The modulating signal may be direct or capacitively coupled to the control voltage terminal. For direct coupling, the effects of modulation source voltage and impedance on the bias of the SE555/NE555 should be considered.

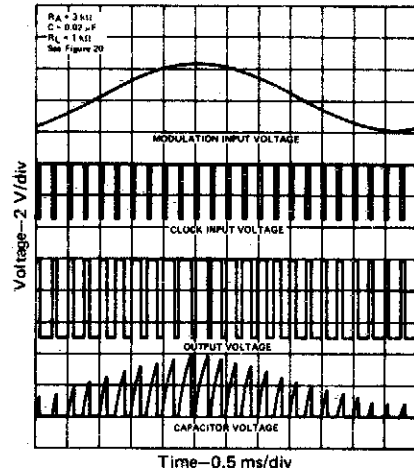


Fig. 55-11

### Circuit Notes

The monostable circuit is triggered by a continuous input pulse train and the threshold voltage is modulated by a control signal. The resultant effect is a modulation of the output pulse width, as shown. A sine-wave modulation signal is illustrated, but any wave-shape could be used.

## AM MODULATOR

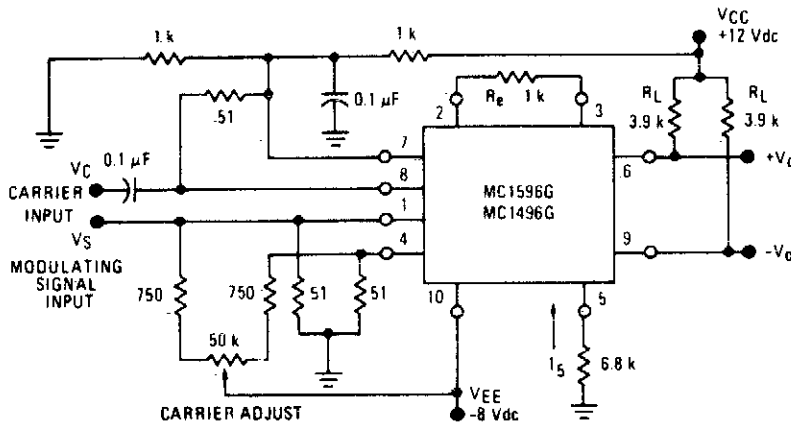
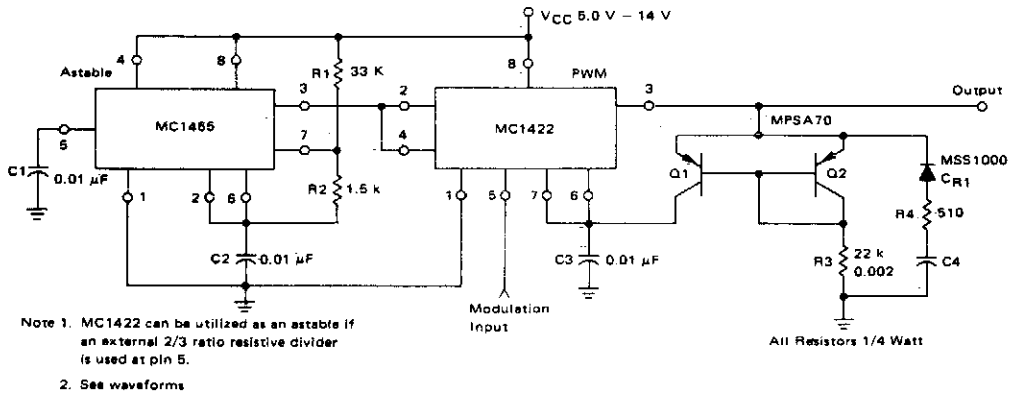


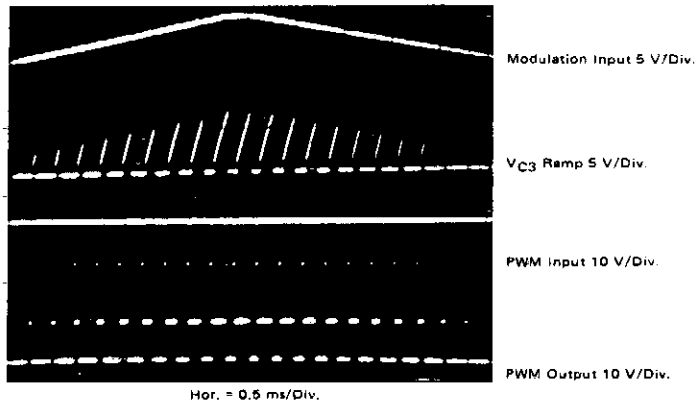
Fig. 55-12



## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR

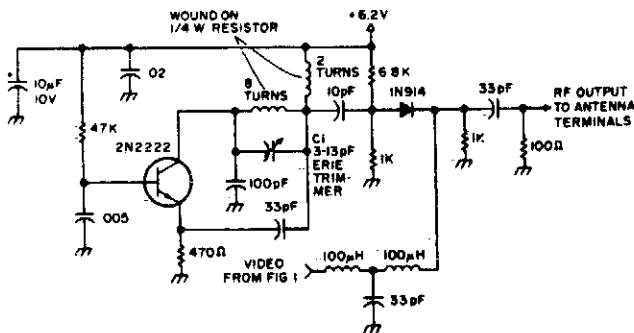


### - PULSE WIDTH MODULATOR WAVEFORMS



**Fig. 55-15**

## VHF MODULATOR



**Fig. 55-16**

# 56

## Moisture and Rain Detectors

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Rain Alarm  
Moisture Detector

Automatic Plant Waterer  
Rain Alarm/Door Bell

## RAIN ALARM

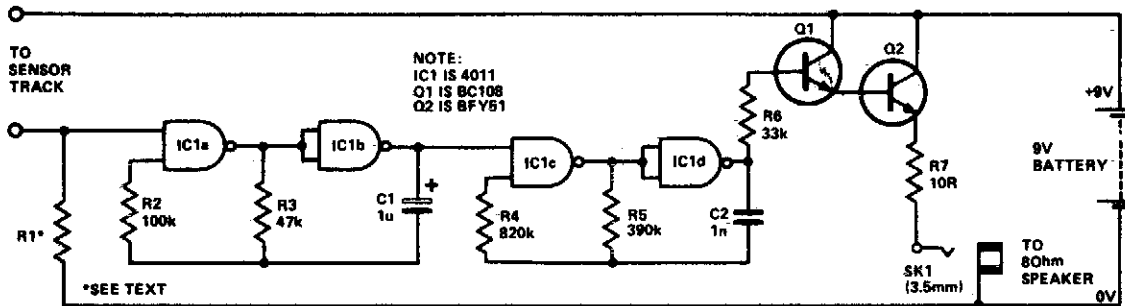


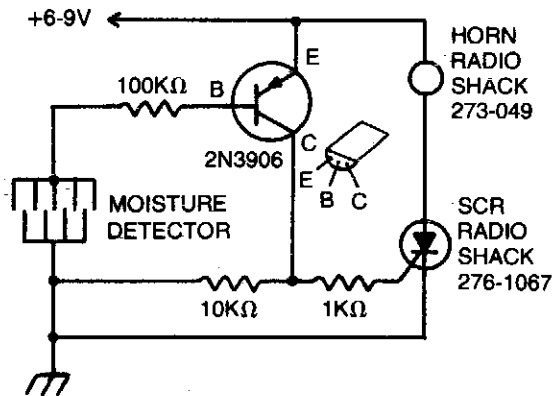
Fig. 56-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses four NAND gates of a 4011 package. In each oscillator, while one gate is configured as a straightforward inverter, the other has one input that can act as a control input. Oscillator action is inhibited if this input is held low. The first oscillator (IC1a and IC1b) has this input tied low via a high value resistor (R1) that acts as a sensitivity control. Thus this

oscillator will be disabled until the control input is taken high. Any moisture bridging the sensor track will so enable the output which is a square wave at about 10 Hz. This in turn will gate on and off the 500 Hz oscillator formed by IC1c and IC1d. This latter oscillator drives the loudspeaker via R6, the Darlington pair formed by Q1 and Q2, and resistor R7.

## MOISTURE DETECTOR

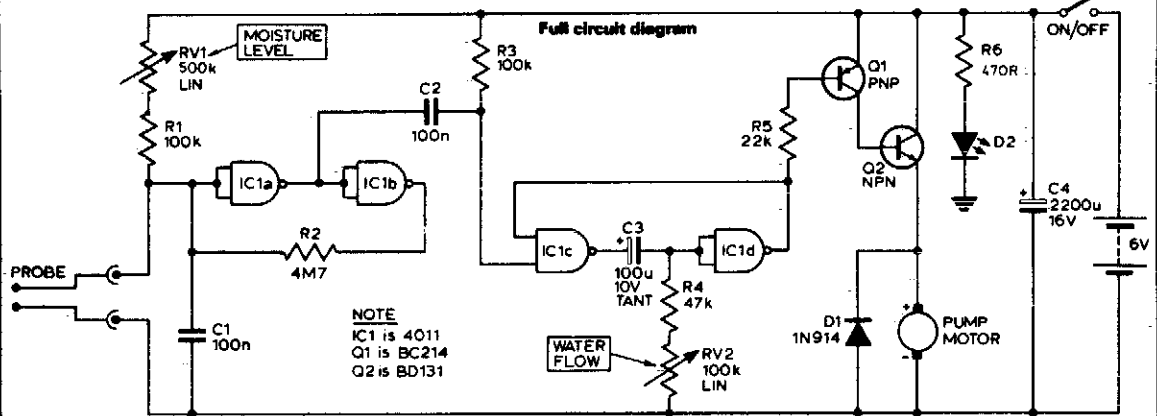


### Circuit Notes

The detector is made of fine wires spaced about one or two inches apart. When the area between a pair of wires becomes moistened, the horn will sound. To turn it off, dc power must be disconnected.

Fig. 56-2

### AUTOMATIC PLANT WATERER



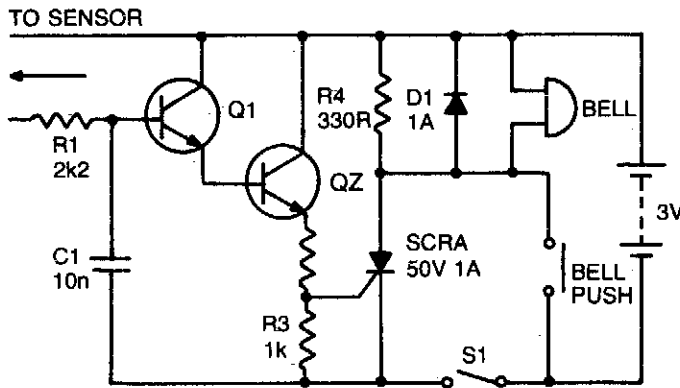
**Fig. 56-3**

#### Circuit Notes

The unit consists of a sensor, timer, and electric water pump. The sensor is embedded in the soil, and when dry, the electronics operate the water pump for a preset time. The circuit is composed of a level sensitive Schmitt trigger, variable time monostable, and output

driver. When the resistance across the probe increases beyond a set value (i.e., the soil dries), the Schmitt is triggered. C2 feeds a negative going pulse to the monostable when the Schmitt triggers and R2 acts as feedback, to ensure a fast switching action.

### RAIN ALARM/DOOR BELL



**Fig. 56-4**

**NOTE**  
Q1, Q2 are 2N3706  
D1 is 1N4001

#### Circuit Notes

With S1 open the circuit functions as a doorbell. With S1 closed, rain falling on the sensor will turn on Q1, triggering Q2 and the thyristor and activating the bell, R4 provides the holding for the thyristor while D1 prevents

any damage to the thyristor from back EMF in the bell coil. The sensor can be made from 3 square inches of copper clad board with a razor cut down the center. C1 prevents any mains pickup in the sensor leads.

# 57

## Motor Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| Motor Speed Control  | Motor Speed Control                                |
| Plug-In Speed Control for Tools or Appliances              | Model Train Speed Control                          |
| Motor Speed Control with Feedback                          | Induction Motor Control                            |
| Direction and Speed Control for Series-Wound Motors        | DC Motor Speed Control                             |
| High-Torque Motor Speed Control                            | Universal Motor Control with Built-In Self Timer   |
| Motor Speed Control  | Speed Control for Model Trains or Cars             |
| Constant Current Motor Drive Circuit                       | Direction and Speed Control for Shunt-Wound Motors |
| Ac Motor Power Brake                                       | Two-Phase Motor Drive                              |
| Universal-Motor Speed Control with Load-Dependent Feedback | Dc Servo Amplifier                                 |
| Dc Motor Speed/Direction Control Circuit                   | Universal Motor Speed Control                      |
| Servo Motor Amplifier                                      | Power Tool Torque Control                          |
|  | Ac Servo Amplifier—Bridge Type                     |



# MOTOR SPEED CONTROL

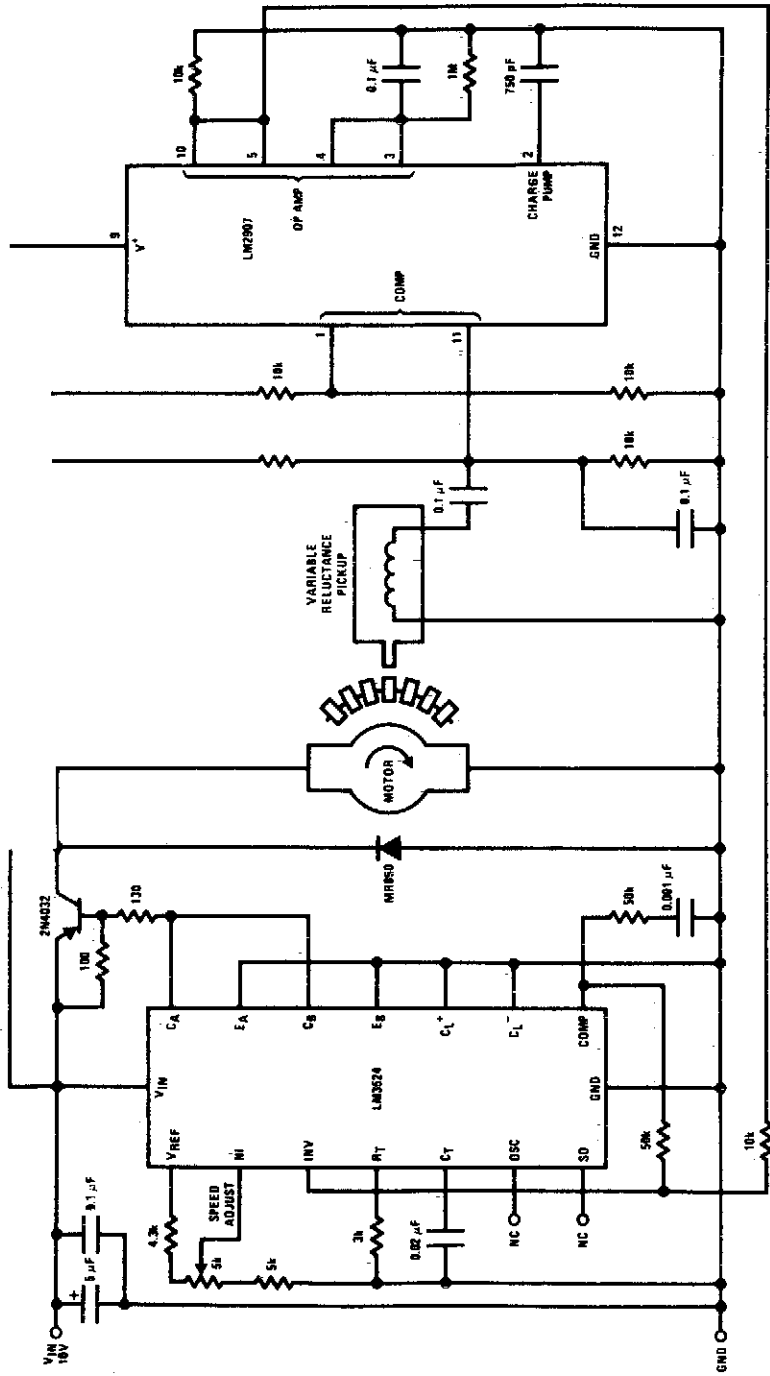


Fig. 57-1

## Circuit Notes

This circuit is a regulating series dc motor speed control using the LM3524 for the control and drive for the motor and the LM2907 as a speed sensor for the feedback network.

## PLUG-IN SPEED CONTROL FOR TOOLS OR APPLIANCES

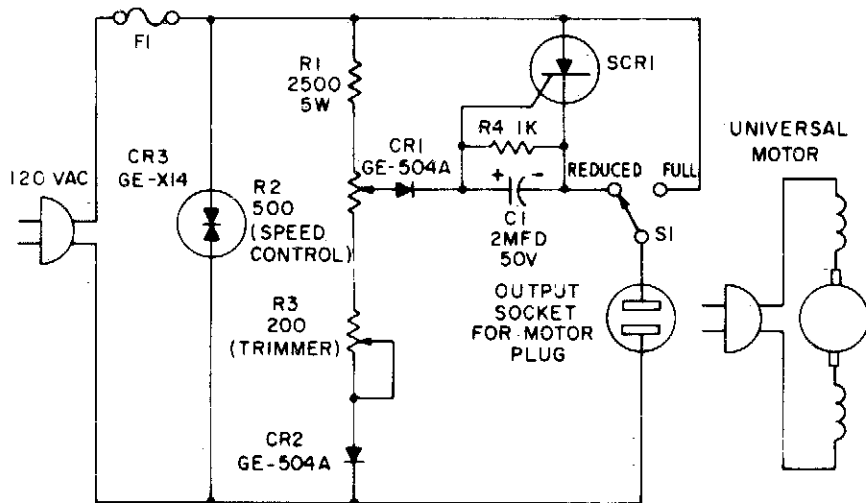


Fig. 57-2

| COMPONENT | MOTOR NAMEPLATE RATING  |                           |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|           | LIGHT DUTY<br>3 AMP MAX | HEAVIER DUTY<br>5 AMP MAX |
| SCR1      | GE - X1                 | GE - C30B                 |
| FI        | 3 AMP                   | 5 AMP                     |

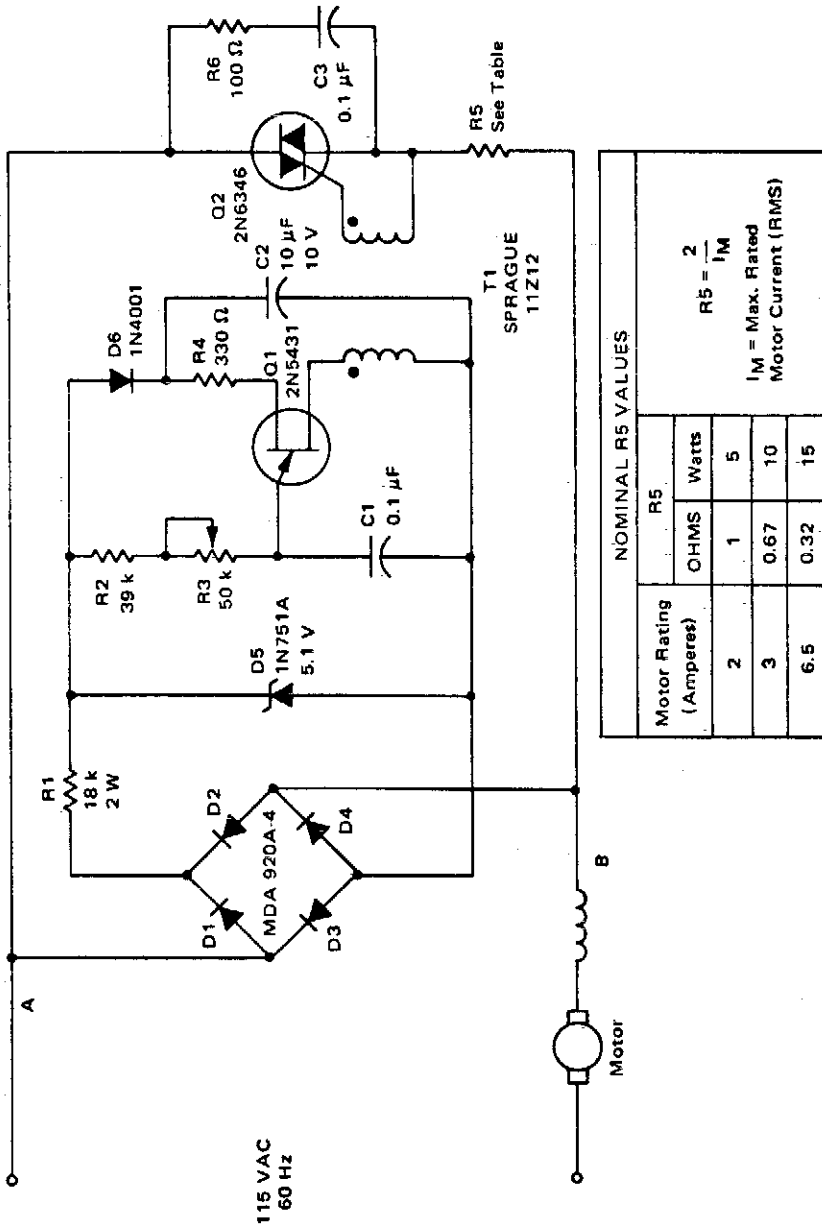
### Circuit Notes

Most standard household appliances and portable hand tools can be adapted to variable-speed operation by use of this simple half-wave SCR phase control. It can be used as the speed control unit for the following typical loads provided they use series universal (brush type) motors.

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Drills             | Fans             |
| Sewing Machines    | Lathes           |
| Saber saws         | Vibrators        |
| Portable band saws | Movie projectors |
| Food mixers        | Sanders          |
| Food blenders      |                  |

During the positive half cycle of the supply voltage, the arm on potentiometer R2 taps off a fraction of the sine wave supply voltage and compares it with the counter emf of the motor through the gate of the SCR. When the pot voltage rises above the armature voltage, current flows through CR1 into the gate of the SCR, triggering it, and thus applying the remainder of that half cycle supply voltage to the motor. The speed at which the motor operates can be selected by R2. Stable operation is possible over approximately a 3-to-1 speed range.

# MOTOR SPEED CONTROL WITH FEEDBACK

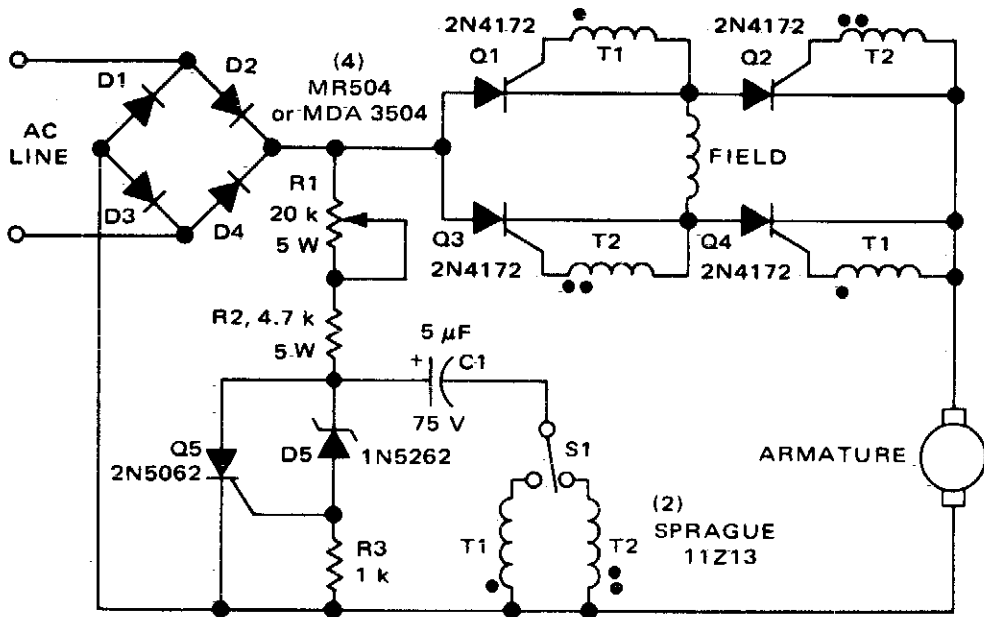


| NOMINAL R5 VALUES         |      |       |
|---------------------------|------|-------|
| Motor Rating<br>(Amperes) | R5   |       |
|                           | OHMS | Watts |
| 2                         | 1    | 5     |
| 3                         | 0.67 | 10    |
| 6.5                       | 0.32 | 15    |

$R5 = \frac{2}{I_M}$   
 $I_M = \text{Max. Rated Motor Current (RMS)}$

Fig. 57-3

## DIRECTION AND SPEED CONTROL FOR SERIES-WOUND MOTORS



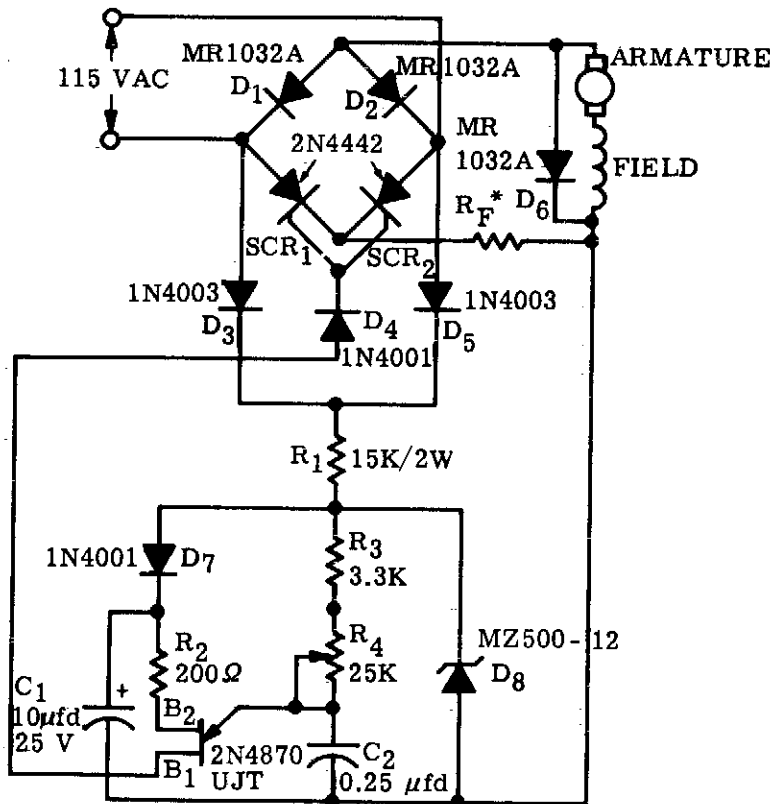
**Fig. 57-4**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit shown here can be used to control the speed and direction of rotation of a series-wound dc motor. Silicon controlled rectifiers Q1-Q4, which are connected in a bridge arrangement, are triggered in diagonal pairs. Which pair is turned on is controlled by switch S1 since it connects either coupling transformer T1 or coupling transformer T2 to a pulsing circuit. The current in the field can be reversed by selecting either SCRs Q2 and Q3

for conduction, or SCRs Q1 and Q4 for conduction. Since the armature current is always in the same direction, the field current reverses in relation to the armature current, thus reversing the direction of rotation of the motor. A pulse circuit is used to drive the SCRs through either transformer T1 or T2. The pulse required to fire the SCR is obtained from the energy stored in capacitor C1.

## HIGH-TORQUE MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



$R_F^*$  = FEEDBACK RESISTOR  
(SEE TEXT)

Fig. 57-5

### Circuit Notes

A bridge circuit consisting of two SCRs and two silicon rectifiers furnishes full-wave power to the motor. Diodes, D3 and D5, supply dc to the trigger circuit through dropping resistors, R1. Phase delay of SCR firing is obtained by charging C2 through resistors R3 and R4 from the voltage level established by the zener diode, D8. When C2 charges to the firing voltage of the unijunction transistor, the UJT fires,

triggering the SCR that has a positive voltage on its anode. When C2 discharges sufficiently, the unijunction transistor drops out of conduction. The value of  $R_F$  is dependent upon the size of the motor and on the amount of feedback desired. A typical value for  $R_F$  can be calculated from:  $R_F = \frac{2}{I_M}$ , where  $S_{IM}$  is the max rated load current (rms).

### MOTOR SPEED CONTROL

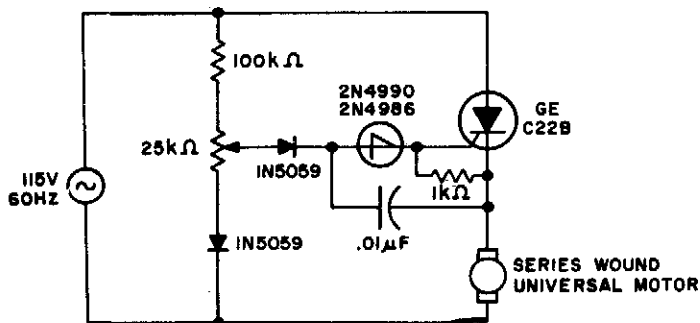
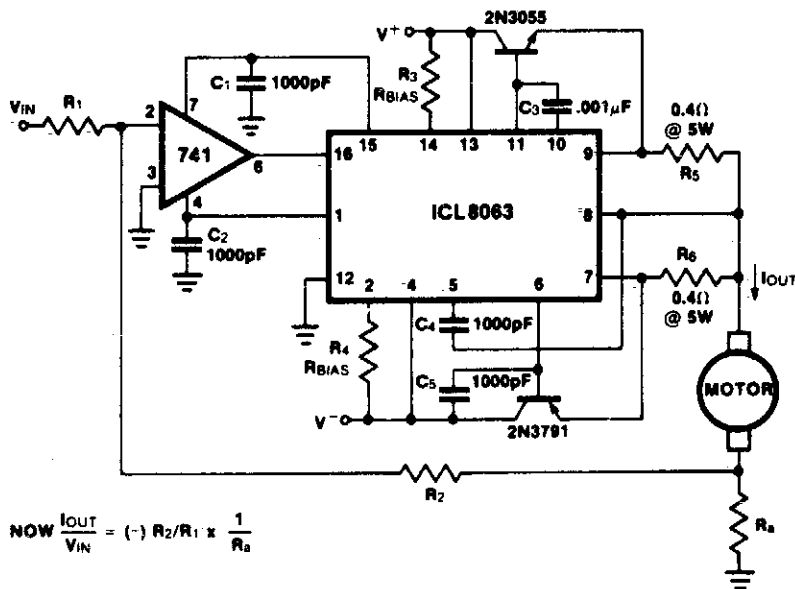


Fig. 57-6

#### Circuit Notes

Switching action of the 2N4990 allows smaller capacitors to be used while achieving reliable thyristor triggering.

### CONSTANT CURRENT MOTOR DRIVE CIRCUIT



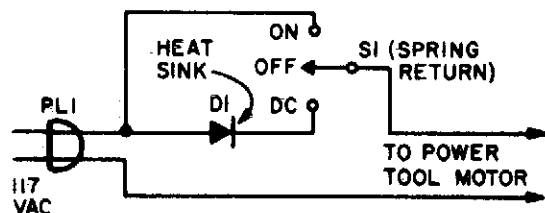
$$\text{NOW } \frac{I_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = (-) R_2/R_1 \times \frac{1}{R_A}$$

Fig. 57-7

#### Circuit Notes

This minimum device circuit can be used to drive dc motors where there is some likelihood of stalling or lock up; if the motor locks, the current drive remains constant and the system does not destroy itself.

## AC MOTOR BRAKE



### PARTS LIST FOR AC MOTOR POWER BRAKE

- PL1—AC plug  
 D1—Silicon rectifier, 200 PIV, 20 A.  
 S1—Spdt switch. Center off, one side spring return  
 Misc.—Metal cabinet

### Circuit Notes

A shot of direct current will instantly stop any ac power tool motor. Switch S1 is a center-off, one side spring return. With S1 on, ac will be fed to the motor and the motor will run. To brake the motor, simply press S1 down and a quick shot of dc will instantly stop it. The switch returns to the center off position when released. This Power Brake can only be used with ac motors; it will not brake universal (ac-dc) motors. A heat sink must be provided for the diode.

Fig. 57-8

## UNIVERSAL-MOTOR SPEED CONTROL WITH LOAD-DEPENDENT FEEDBACK (FOR MIXER, SEWING MACHINE, ETC.)

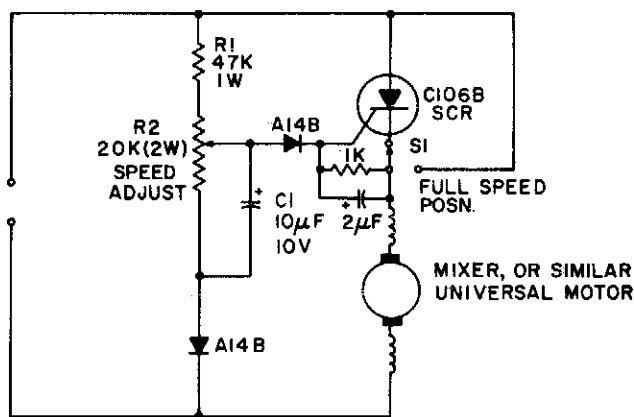


Fig. 57-9

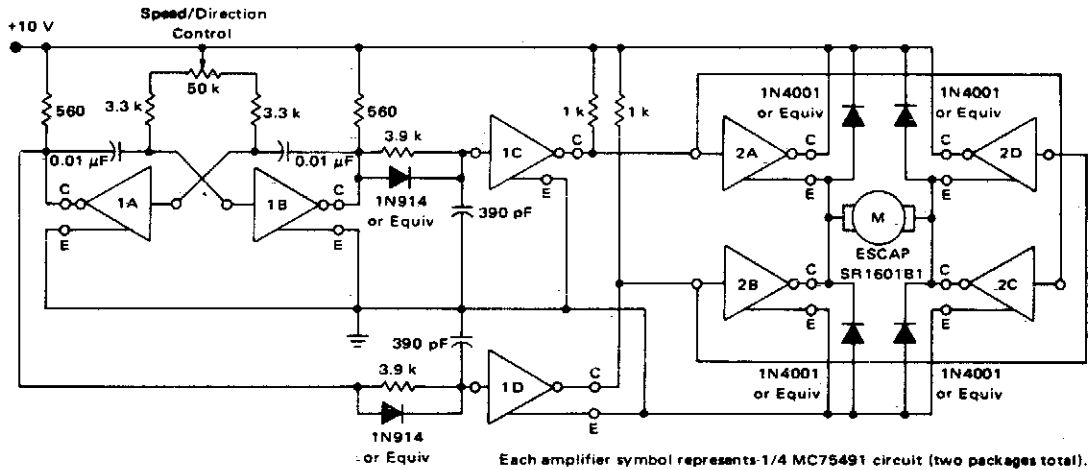
NOTE: RESISTORS 1/2 WATT EXCEPT AS NOTED

### Circuit Notes

Simple half-wave motor speed control is effective for use with small universal (ac/dc) motors. Maximum current capability 2.0 amps RMS. Because speed-dependent feedback is provided, the control gives excellent torque

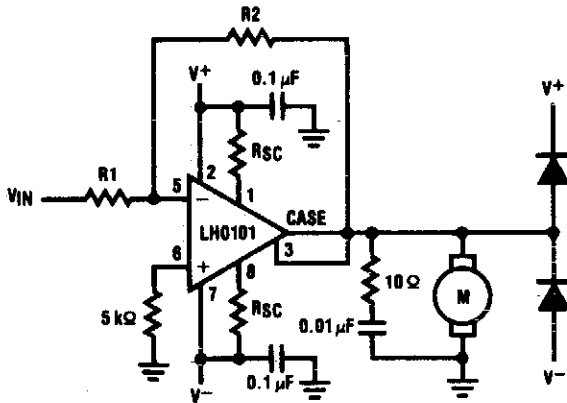
characteristics to the motor, even at low rotational speeds. Normal operation at maximum speed can be achieved by closing switch S1, thus bypassing the SCR.

## DC MOTOR SPEED/DIRECTION CONTROL CIRCUIT



**Fig. 57-10**

## SERVO MOTOR AMPLIFIER



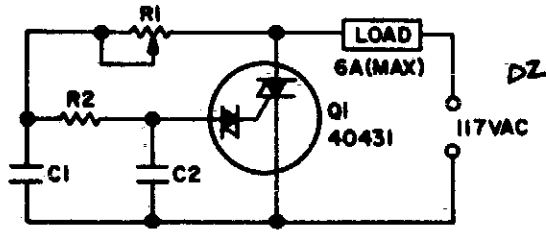
**Fig. 57-11**

### Circuit Notes

Motor driver amplifier will deliver the rated current into the motor. Care should be taken to keep power dissipation within the permitted level. This precision speed regulation circuit employs rate feedback for constant motor current at a given input voltage.



### MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



**C1, C2**—0.1- $\mu$ F, 200-VDC capacitor  
**Q1**—RCA 40431 Triac-Diac  
**R1**—100,000-ohm linear taper potentiometer  
**R2**—10,000-ohm, 1-watt resistor

Fig. 57-12

#### Circuit Notes

Universal motors and shaded-pole induction motors can be easily controlled with a full-wave Triac speed controller. Q1 combines both the triac and diac trigger diodes in the same case. The motor used for the load must be

limited to 6 amperes maximum. Triac Q1 must be provided with a heat sink. With the component values shown, the Triac controls motor speed from full off to full on.

### MODEL TRAIN SPEED CONTROL

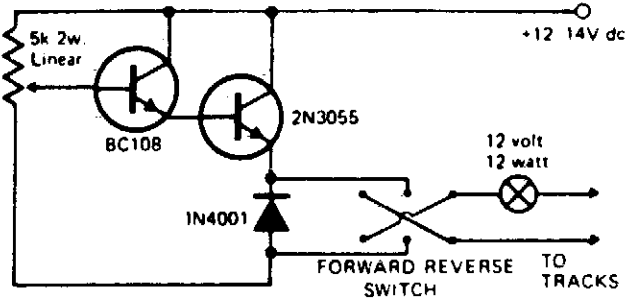


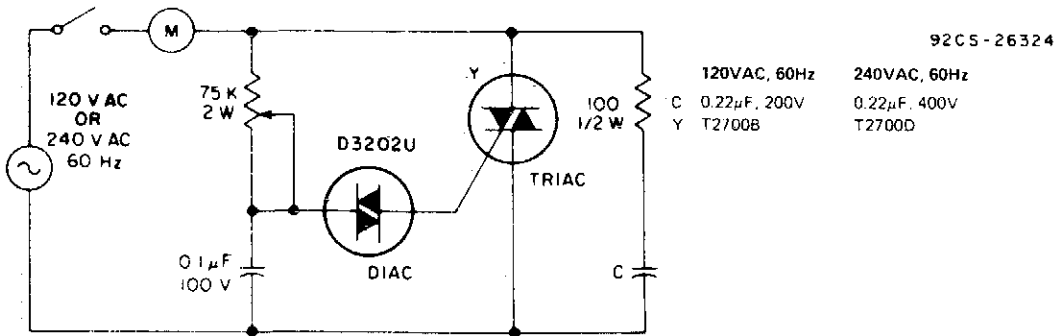
Fig. 57-13

#### Circuit Notes

Virtually any NPN small signal transistor may be used in place of the BC 108 shown. Likewise any suitable NPN power transistor can be used in place of the 2N3055. The output transistor must be mounted on a suitable heat-sink. Short circuit protection may be provided

by wiring a 12 volt 12 watt bulb in series with the output. This will glow in event of a short circuit and thus effectively current-limit the output, it also acts as a visual short-circuit alarm.

## INDUCTION-MOTOR CONTROL



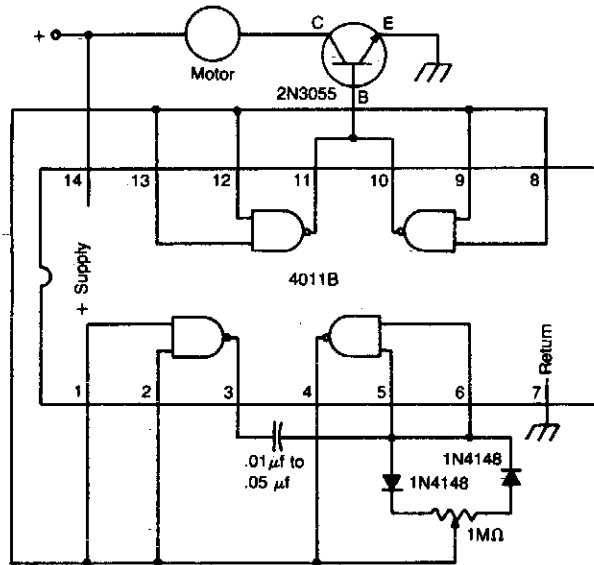
**Fig. 57-14**

### Circuit Notes

This single time-constant circuit can be used as proportional speed control for induction motors such as shaded pole or permanent split-capacitor motors when the load is fixed.

The circuit is best suited to applications which require speed control in the medium to full-power range.

## DC MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



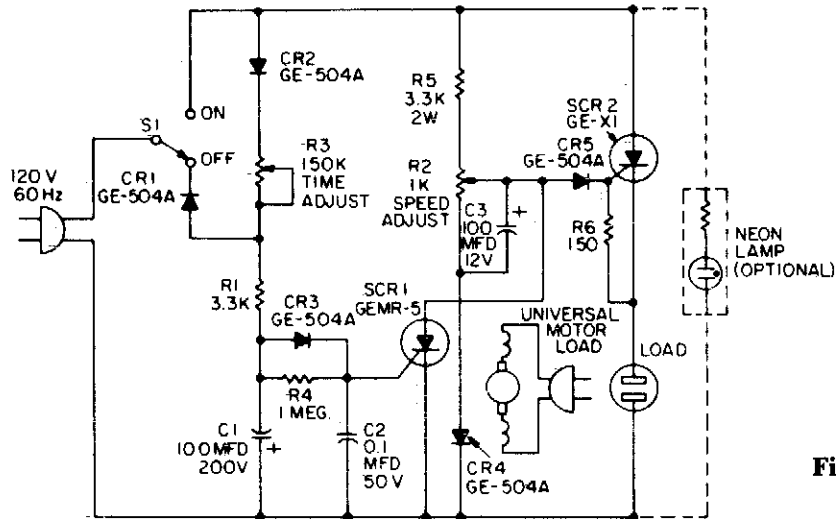
**Fig. 57-15**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a 4011 CMOS NAND gate, a pair of diodes and an NPN power transistor to provide a variable duty-cycle dc source. Adjusting the speed control varies the average voltage applied to the motor. The peak

voltage, however, is not changed. This pulse power is effective at very low speeds, constantly kicking the motor along. At higher speeds, the motor behaves in a nearly normal manner.

## UNIVERSAL MOTOR CONTROL WITH BUILT-IN SELF TIMER



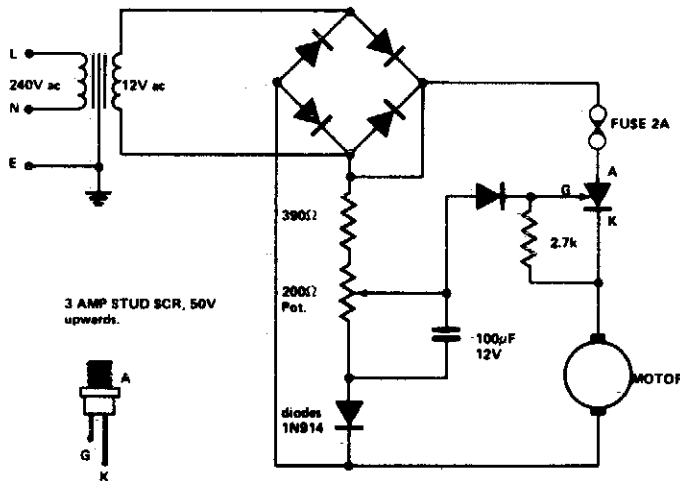
**Fig. 57-16**

### Circuit Notes

When the time delay expires, SCR1 conducts and removes the gate signal from SCR2, which stops the motor. Both the time delay and motor speed are adjustable by potentiometers R2 and R3. If heavier motor loads are anti-

ci-  
pated, use the larger C30B SCR in place of the GE-X1 for SCR2. Also, the capacitance of C1 can be increased to lengthen the time delay, if desired.

## SPEED CONTROL FOR MODEL TRAINS OR CARS



**Fig. 57-17**

### Circuit Notes

Low voltage speed control gives very good starting torque and excellent speed regulation. A reversing switch may be incorporated in the leads to the motor.

## DIRECTION AND SPEED CONTROL FOR SHUNT-WOUND MOTORS

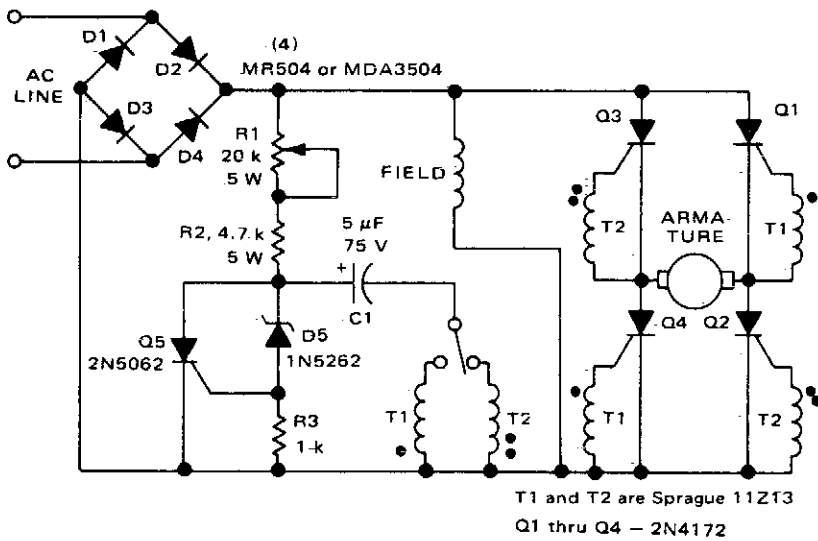


Fig. 57-18

### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates like the one shown in Fig. 57-4. The only differences are that the field is placed across the rectified supply and the armature is placed in the SCR bridge. Thus

the field current is unidirectional but armature current is reversible; consequently the motor's direction of rotation is reversible. Potentiometer R1 controls the speed.

## TWO-PHASE MOTOR DRIVE

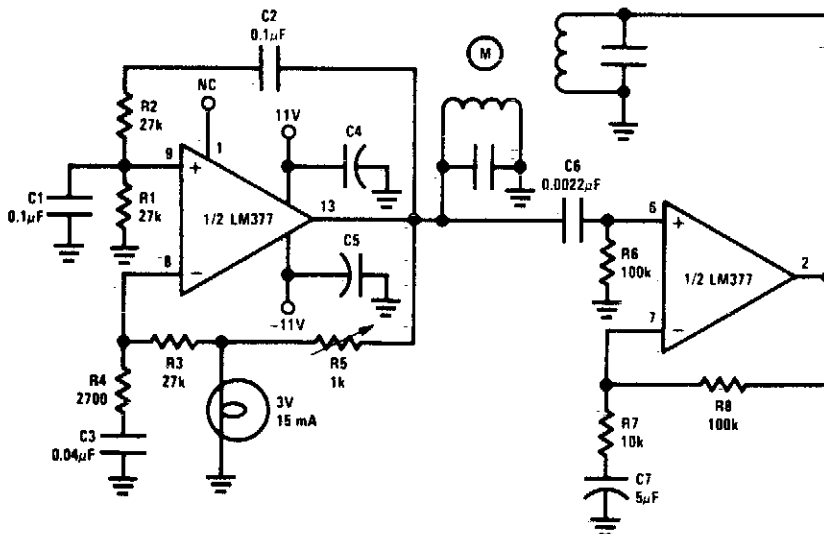


Fig. 57-19

### DC SERVO AMPLIFIER

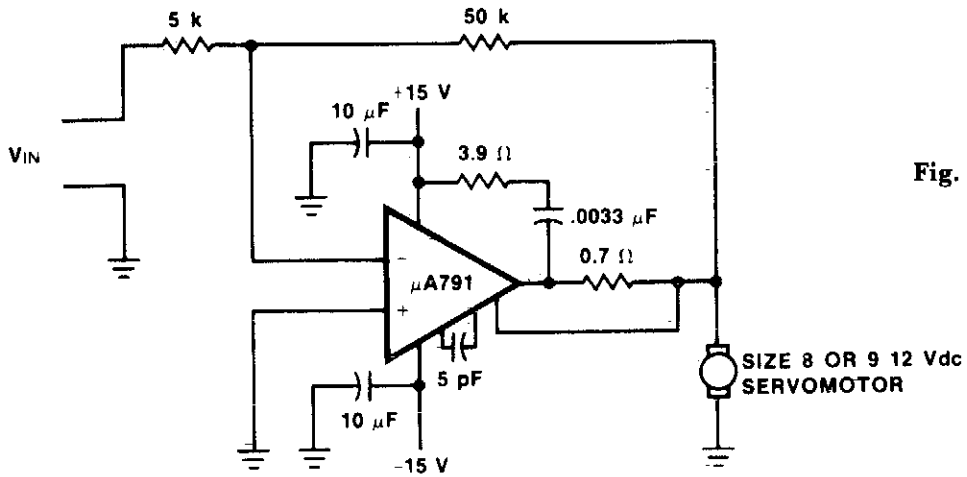
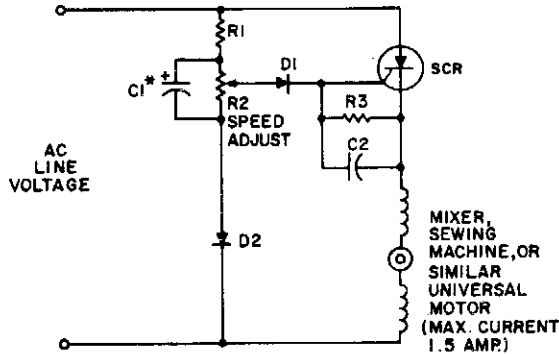


Fig. 57-20

### UNIVERSAL MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



| Line Voltage | 120V       | 240V       |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| R1           | 47K        | 100K       |
| R2           | 10K        | 20K        |
| R3           | 1K         | 1K         |
| C1           | 1μF, 50V   | 1μF, 100V  |
| C2           | 0.1μF, 50V | 0.1μF, 50V |
| D1           | 1N5059     | 1N5060     |
| D2           | 1N5059     | 1N5060     |
| SCR          | C106B1     | C106D1     |

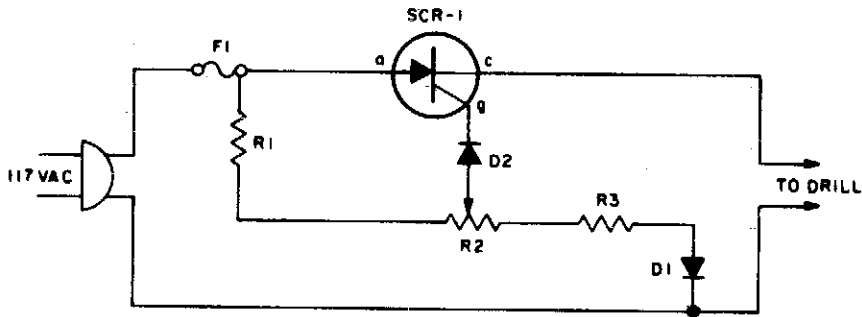
Fig. 57-21

#### Circuit Notes

The resistor capacitor network R1-R2-C1 provides a ramp-type reference voltage superimposed on top of a dc voltage adjustable with the speed-setting potentiometer R2. This reference voltage appearing at the wiper of R2 is balanced against the residual counter emf of the motor through the SCR gate. As the motor slows down due to heavy loading, its counter emf falls, and the reference ramp triggers the

SCR earlier in the ac cycle. More voltage is thereby applied to the motor causing it to pick up speed again. Performance with the C106 SCR is particularly good because the low trigger current requirements of this device allow use of a flat top reference voltage, which provides good feedback gain and close speed regulation.

## POWER TOOL TORQUE CONTROL



### PARTS LIST FOR POWER TOOL TORQUE CONTROL

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| D1, D2—1A, 400 PIV silicon rectifier (Calectro K4-557 or equiv.) | R2—250-ohm, 4-watt potentiometer                           |
| F1—3-A "Slo-blo" fuse  | R3—33-ohm, ½-watt resistor                                 |
| R1—2500-ohm, 5-watt resistor                                     | SCR1—8-A, 400-PIV silicon controlled rectifier (HEP R1222) |

Fig. 57-22

### Circuit Notes

As the speed of an electric drill is decreased by loading, its torque also drops. A compensating speed control like this one puts the oomph back into the motor. When the drill slows down, a back voltage developed across the motor—in series with the SCR cathode and gate—decreases. The SCR gate voltage therefore increases relatively as the back voltage is

reduced. The extra gate voltage causes the SCR to conduct over a larger angle and more current is driven into the drill, even as speed falls under load. The SCR should be mounted in ¼-in. thick block of aluminum or copper at least 1-in. square. If the circuit is used for extended periods use a 2 inch square piece.

## AC SERVO AMPLIFIER—BRIDGE TYPE

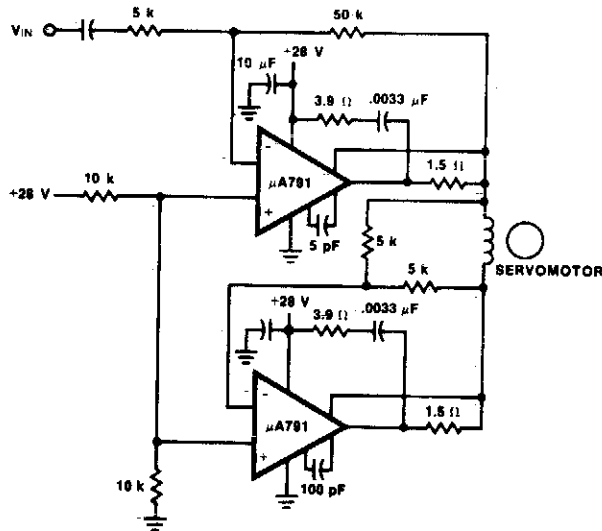


Fig. 57-23

# 58

## Multivibrators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Monostable Circuit

Astable Multivibrator

Astable Oscillator

Digitally Controlled Astable Multivibrator

Dual Astable Multivibrator

UJT Monostable

Monostable Multivibrator with Input

Lock-Out

TTL Monostable

Monostable Circuit

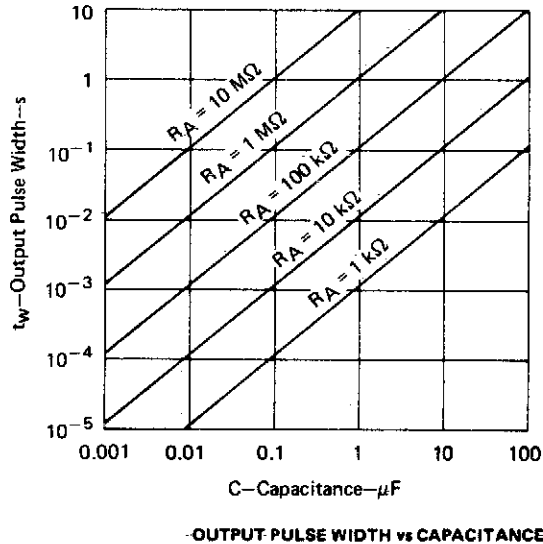
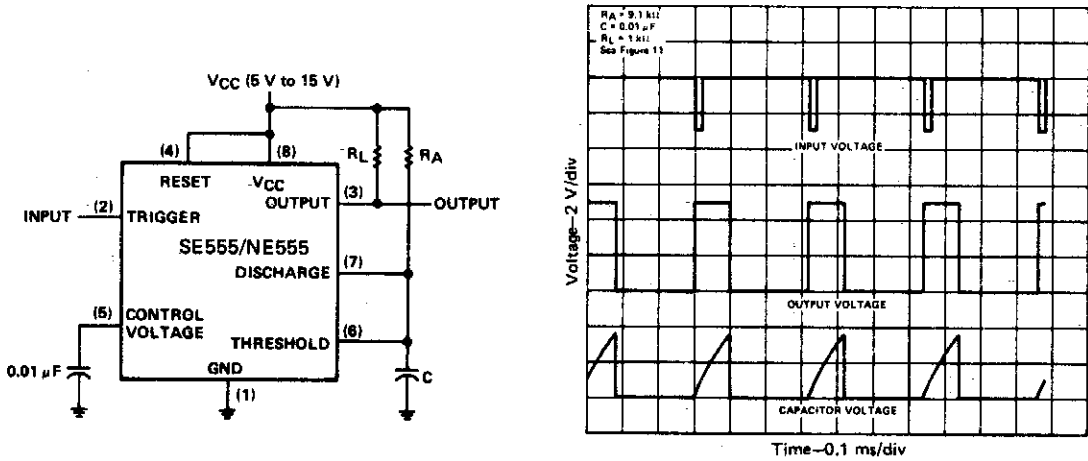
One-Shot Multivibrator

Monostable Multivibrator

Bistable Multivibrator

100 kHz Free-Running Multivibrator

## MONOSTABLE CIRCUIT



**Fig. 58-1**

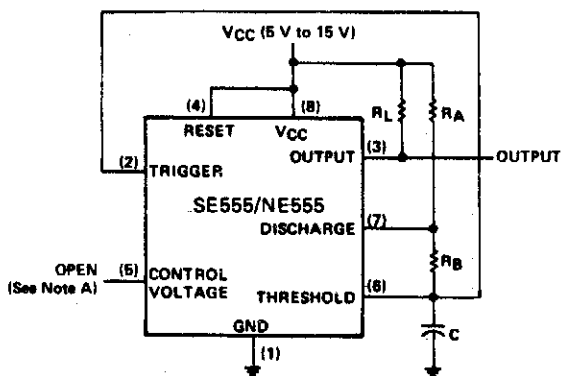
### Circuit Notes

If the output is low, application of a negative-going pulse to the trigger input sets the flip-flop (Q goes low), drives the output high, and turns off 1. Capacitor C is then charged through  $R_A$  until the voltage across the capacitor reaches the threshold voltage of the threshold input. If the trigger input has returned to a high level, the output of the

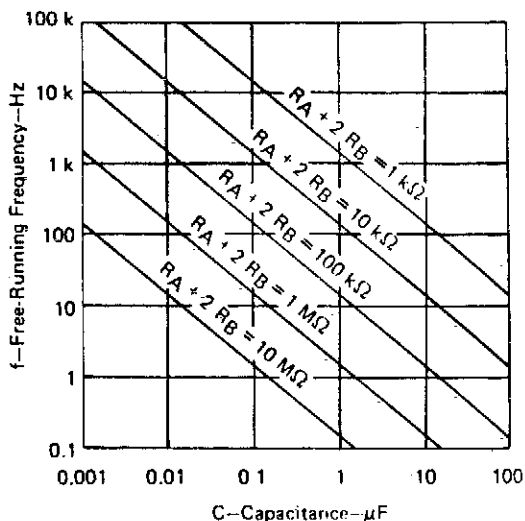
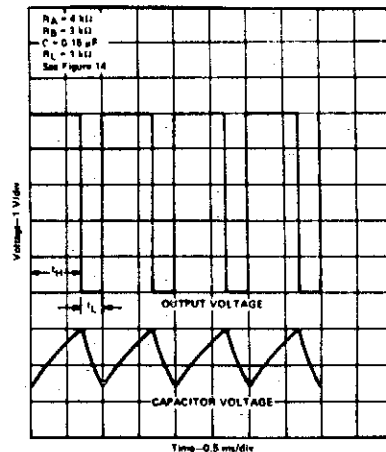
threshold comparator will reset the flip-flop (Q goes high), drive the output low, and discharge C through Q1. Monostable operations is initiated when the trigger input voltage falls below the trigger threshold. Once initiated, the sequence will complete only if the trigger input is high at the end of the timing interval.



## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



NOTE A: Decoupling the control voltage input (pin 5) to ground with a capacitor may improve operation. This should be evaluated for individual applications.

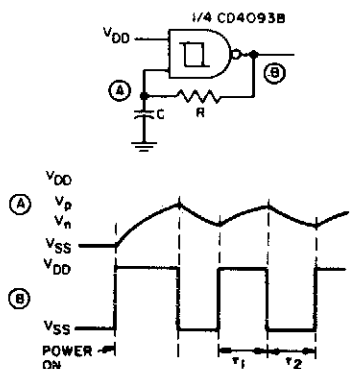


**Fig. 58-2**

### Circuit Notes

The capacitor C will charge through  $R_A$  and  $R_B$ , and then discharge through  $R_B$  only. The duty cycle may be controlled by the values of  $R_A$  and  $R_B$ .

## ASTABLE OSCILLATOR

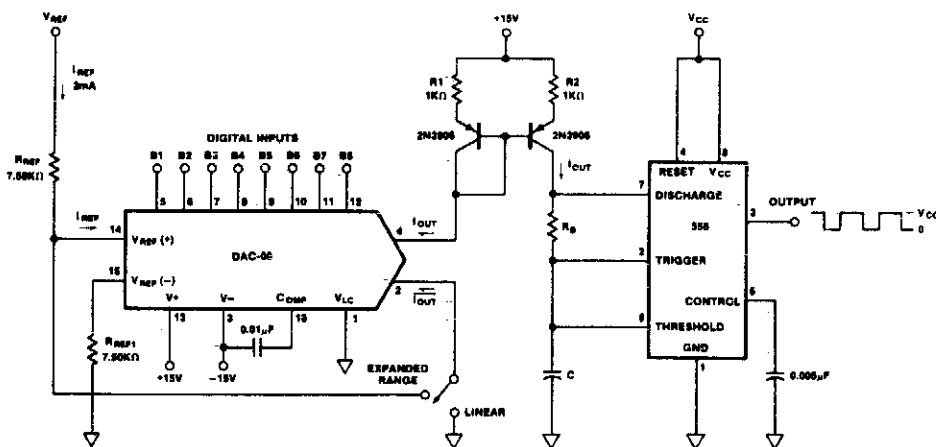


**Fig. 58-3**

### Circuit Notes

Before power is applied, the input and output are at ground potential and capacitor C is discharged. On power-on, the output goes high (V<sub>DD</sub>) and C charges through R until V is reached; the output then goes low (V<sub>SS</sub>). C is now discharged through R until V<sub>n</sub> is reached. The output then goes high and charges C towards V<sub>p</sub> through R. Thus input A alternately swings between V<sub>p</sub> and V<sub>n</sub> as the output goes high and low. This circuit is self-starting at power-on.

## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

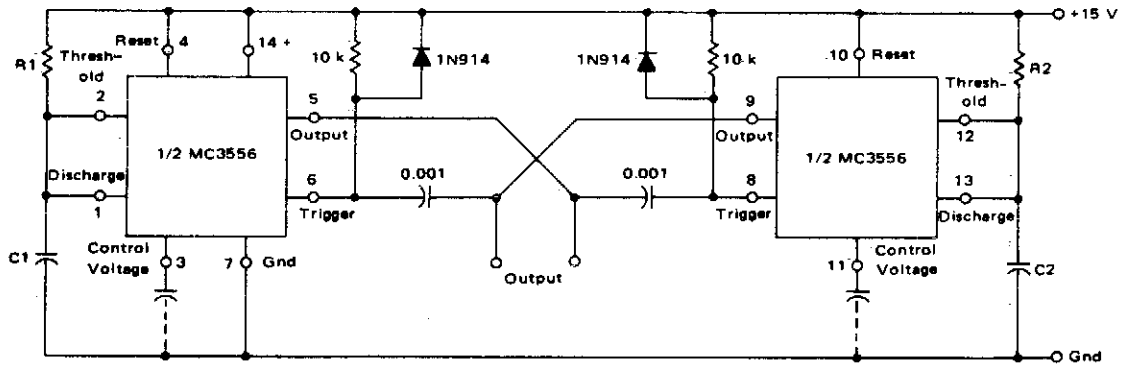


$$\text{FREQUENCY, } f = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} \frac{R_{REF} C}{\{D\}} \frac{V_{CC}}{V_{REF}} + 0.695 R_{BC}} \quad \text{FOR LINEAR MODE}$$

$$\text{FREQUENCY, } f = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} \frac{R_{REF} C}{\{D\}} \frac{V_{CC}}{V_{REF}} \left[ \frac{2 - \{D\}}{\{D\}} \right] + 0.695 R_{BC}} \quad \text{FOR EXPANDED MODE}$$

**Fig. 58-4**

### DUAL ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



$$f = \frac{0.91}{(R1+R2)C} \text{ for } C1 = C2$$

$$\text{Duty Cycle} = \frac{R2}{R1+R2}$$

Fig. 58-5

#### Circuit Notes

This dual astable multivibrator provides versatility not available with single timer circuits. The duty cycle can be adjusted from 5% to 95%. The two outputs provide two phase

clock signals often required in digital systems. It can also be inhibited by use of either reset terminal.

### UJT MONOSTABLE

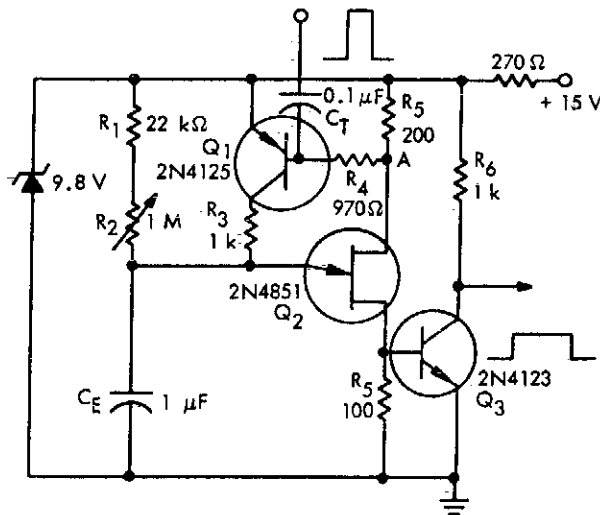


Fig. 58-6

### MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR WITH INPUT LOCK-OUT

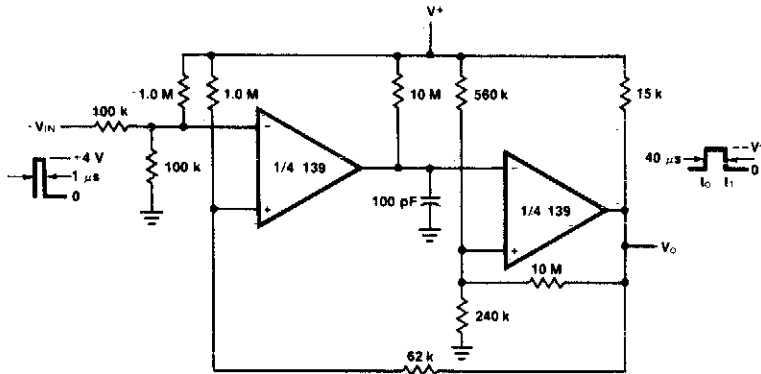


Fig. 58-7

### TTL MONOSTABLE

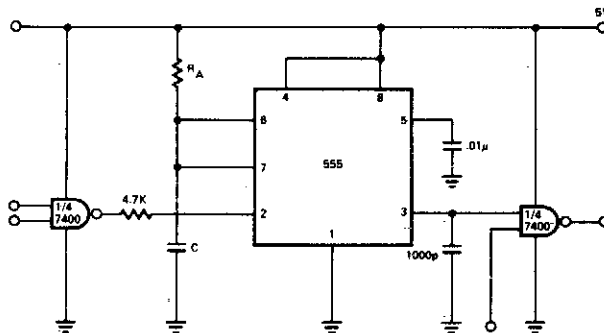


Fig. 58-8

### MONOSTABLE CIRCUIT

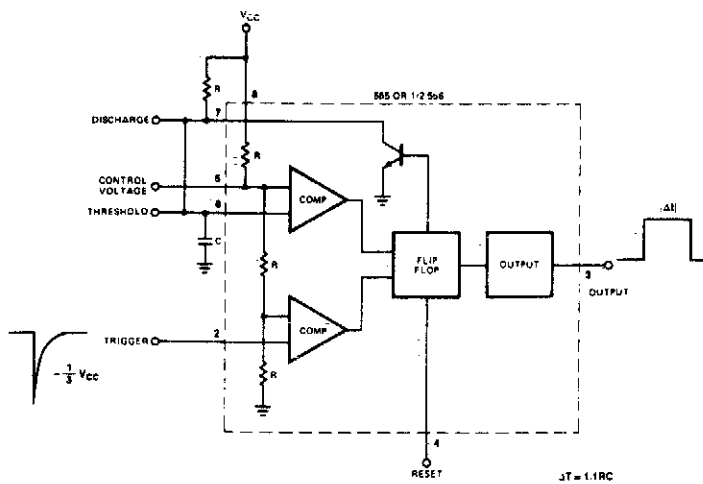


Fig. 58-9

### ONE-SHOT MULTIVIBRATOR

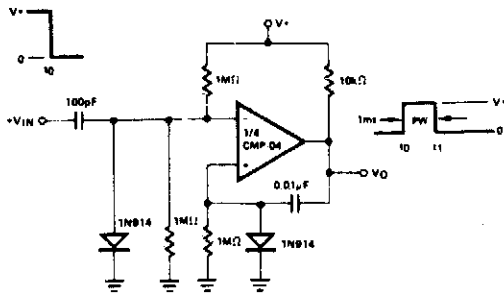


Fig. 58-10

### BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

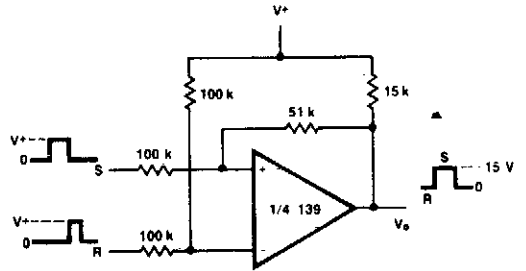


Fig. 58-12

### MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

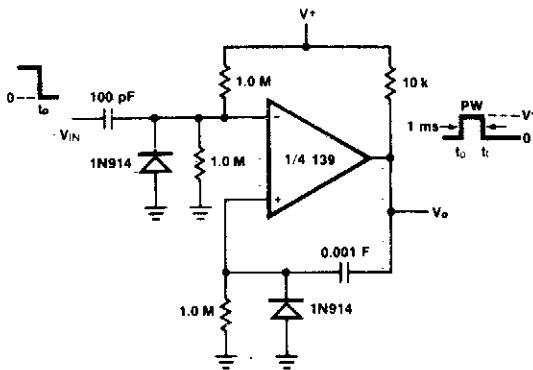
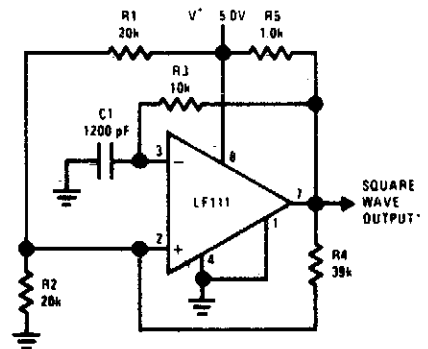


Fig. 58-11

### 100 kHz FREE-RUNNING MULTIVIBRATOR



\*TTL or DTL fanout of two.

Fig. 58-13

# 59

## Noise Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Audio Noise Generator

Noise Generator

Pink Noise Generator

Wideband Noise Generator

Noise Generator Circuit

## AUDIO NOISE GENERATOR

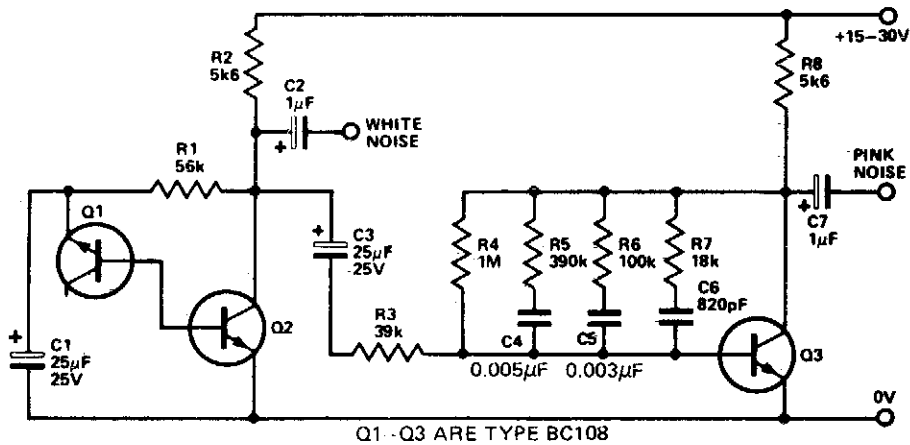


Fig. 59-1

### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit generates both white and pink noise. Transistor Q1 is used as a Zener diode. The normal base-emitter junction is reverse-biased and goes into Zener breakdown at about 7 to 8 volts. The Zener noise current from Q1 flows into the base of Q2 such that an output of about 150 millivolts of white noise is available. To convert the white noise to pink, a filter is required which provides a 3 dB cut per octave as the frequency increases.

Since such a filter attenuates the noise considerably an amplifier is used to restore the output level. Transistor Q3 is this amplifier and the pink noise filter is connected as a feedback network, between collector and base in order to obtain the required characteristic by controlling the gain-versus-frequency of the transistor. The output of transistor Q3 is thus the pink noise required and is fed to the relevant output socket.

## PINK NOISE GENERATOR

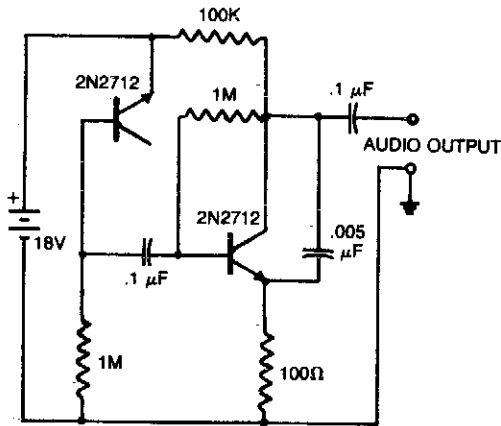


Fig. 59-2

### Circuit Notes

A reverse-biased pn junction of a 2N2712 transistor is used as a noise generator. The second 2N2712 is an audio amplifier. The 0.005  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor across the amplifier output removes some high-frequency components to

simulate pink noise more closely. The audio output may be connected to high-impedance earphones or to a driver amplifier for speaker listening.

## NOISE GENERATOR

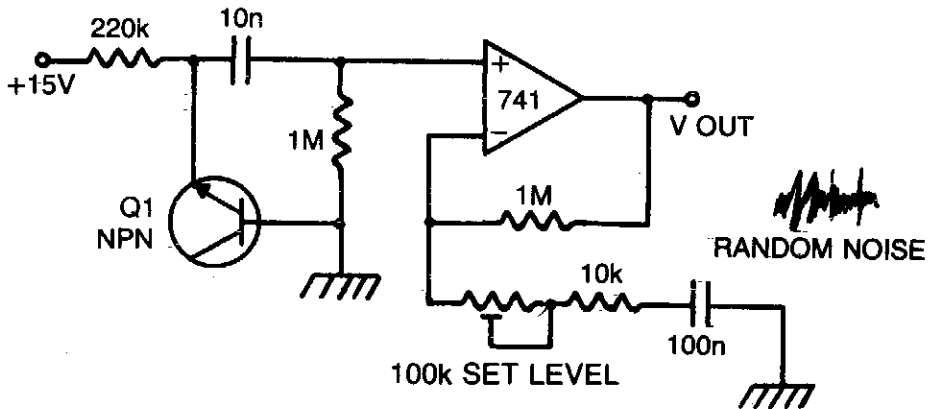


Fig. 59-3

### Circuit Notes

The zener breakdown of a transistor junction is used as a noise generator. The breakdown mechanism is random and this voltage has a high source impedance. By using the op amp as a high input impedance, high ac gain

amplifier, a low impedance, large signal noise source is obtained. The 100K potentiometer is used to set the noise level by varying the gain from 40 to 20 dB.



### WIDEBAND NOISE GENERATOR

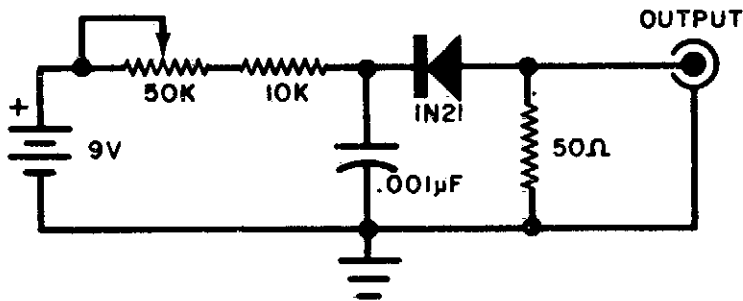


Fig. 59-4

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will produce wideband rf noise. It uses a reverse-biased diode and has a low-impedance output. Can be used to align receivers for optimum performance.

### NOISE GENERATOR CIRCUIT

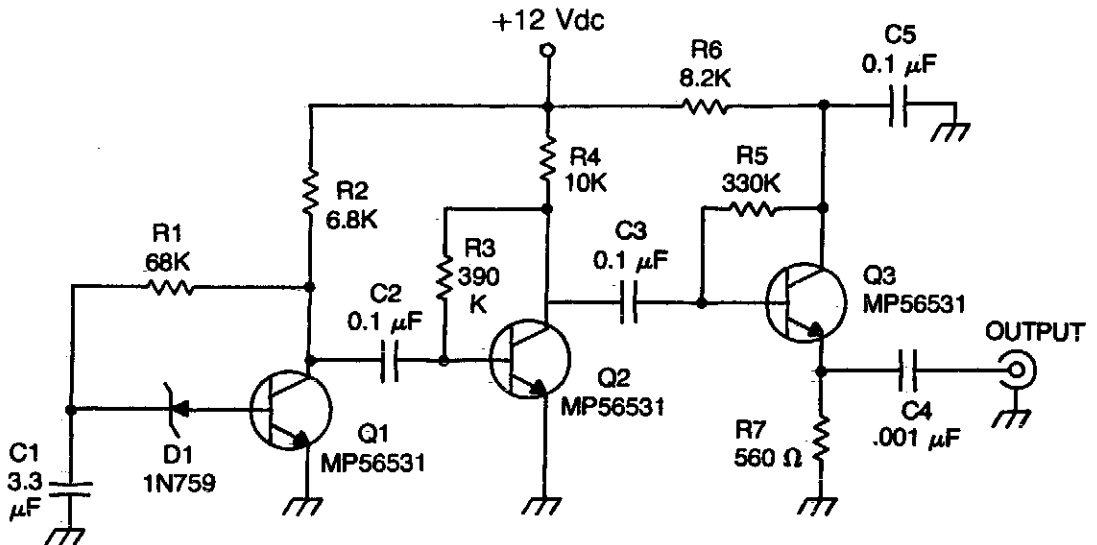


Fig. 59-5

#### Circuit Notes

The zener diode is an avalanche rectifier in the reverse bias mode connected to the input circuit of a wideband rf amplifier. The noise is amplified and applied to the cascade wideband amplifier, transistors Q2 and Q3.

# 60

## Oscilloscope Circuits

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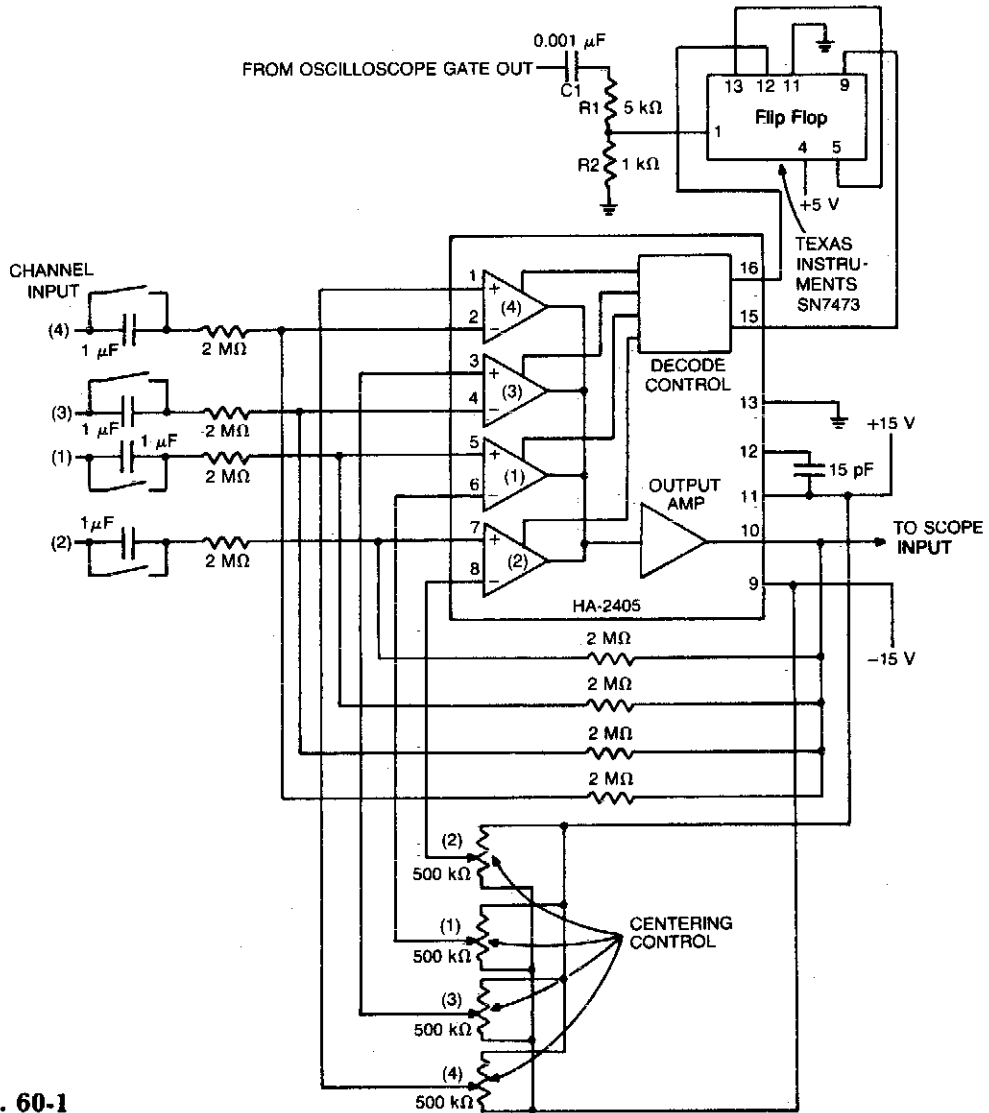
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Oscilloscope Converter Provides Four-  
Channel Displays  
Add-On Triggered Sweep  
10.7 MHz Sweep Generator

Drawing Circles on a Scope  
Transmitter-Oscilloscope Coupler for CB  
Signals  
Oscilloscope Monitor

Beam Splitter for Oscilloscope

## OSCILLOSCOPE CONVERTER PROVIDES FOUR-CHANNEL DISPLAYS



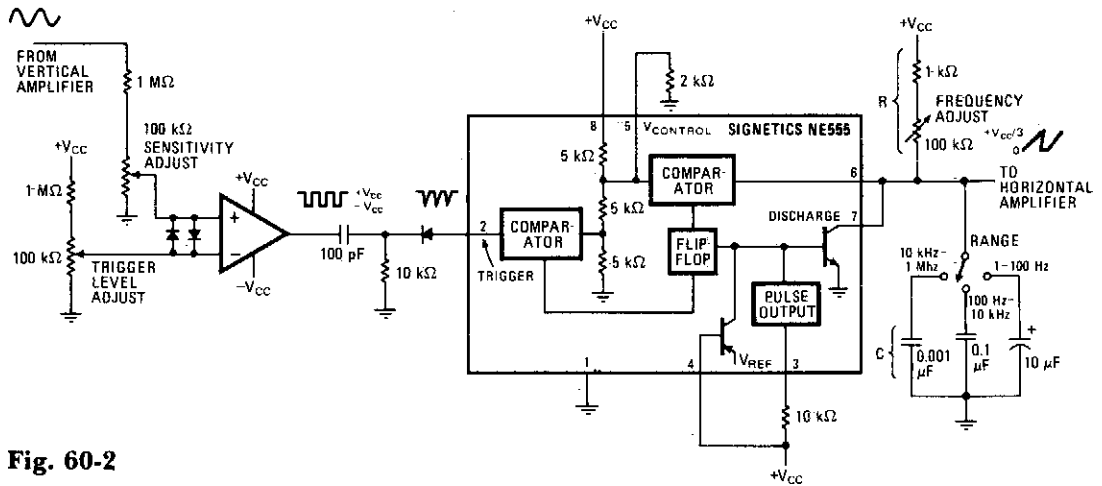
**Fig. 60-1**

### Circuit Notes

The monolithic quad operational amplifier provides an inexpensive way to increase display capability of a standard oscilloscope. Binary inputs drive the IC op amp; a dual flip-flop divides the scope's gate output to obtain chan-

nel selection signals. All channels have centering controls for nulling offset voltage. A negative-going scope gate signal selects the next channel after each trace. The circuit operates out to 5 MHz.

## ADD-ON TRIGGERED SWEEP

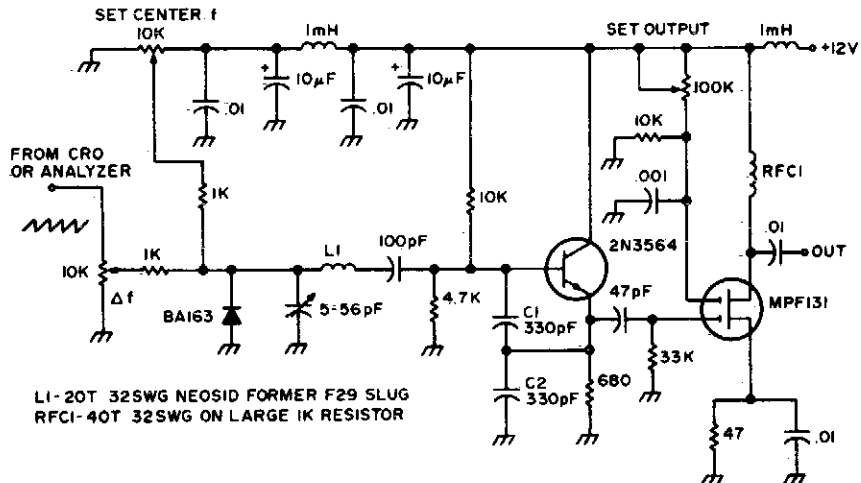


**Fig. 60-2**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit's input op amp triggers the timer, setting its flip-flop and cutting off its discharge transistor so that capacitor C can charge. When the capacitor voltage reaches the timer's control voltage ( $0.33V_{cc}$ ), the flip-flop resets and the transistor conducts, discharging the capacitor.

## 10.7 MHz SWEEP GENERATOR



**Fig. 60-3**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is used to observe the response of an if amp or a filter. It can be used with an oscilloscope or, for more dynamic range, with a spectrum analyzer.

### DRAWING CIRCLES ON A SCOPE

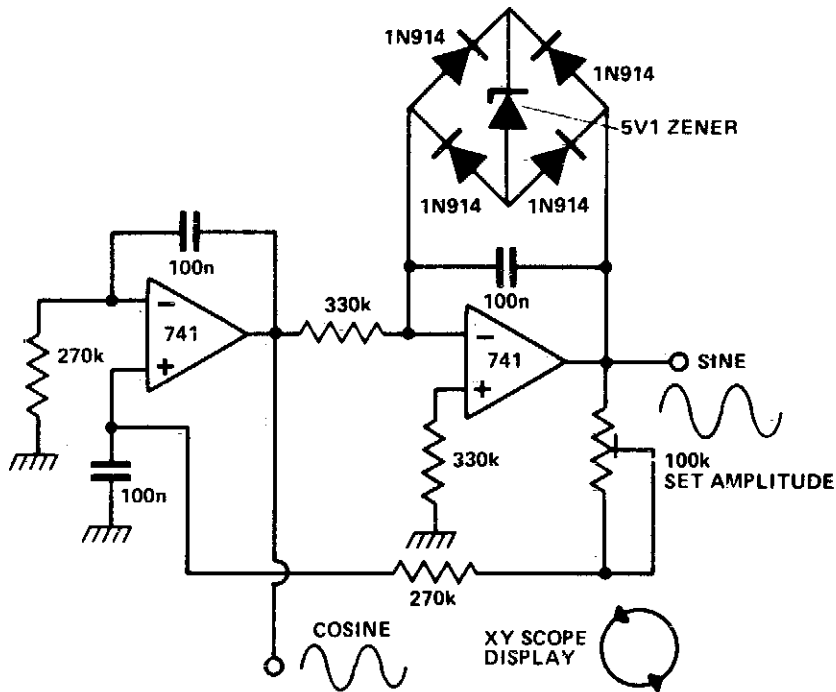


Fig. 60-4

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is that of a quadrature sine and cosine oscillator. To generate circular displays, connect the two outputs to the X and Y inputs.

### TRANSMITTER-OSCILLOSCOPE COUPLER FOR CB SIGNALS

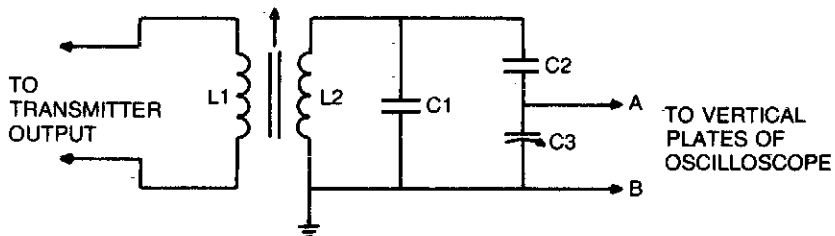


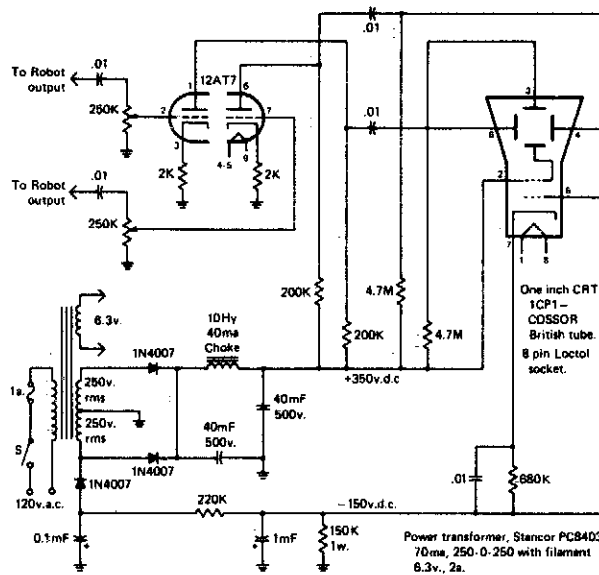
Fig. 60-5

#### Circuit Notes

To display an rf signal, connect L1 to the transmitter and points A and B to the vertical plates of the oscilloscope. Adjust L1 for minimum SWR and C3 for the desired trace

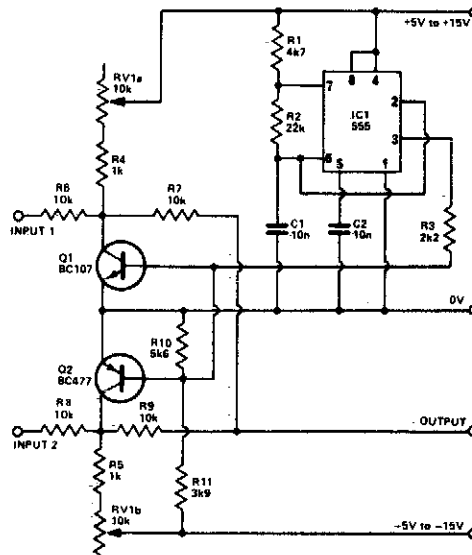
height on the CRT. L2 = 4 turns #18 on  $\frac{3}{4}$ " slug tuned rf coil form, L1 = 3 turns #22 adjacent to grounded end of L2, C1, and C2 = 5 pF, C3 = 75 pF trimmer.

## OSCILLOSCOPE MONITOR



**Fig. 60-6**

## BEAM SPLITTER FOR OSCILLOSCOPE



**Fig. 60-7**

### Circuit Notes

The basis of the beam splitter is a 555 timer connected as an astable multivibrator. Signals at the two inputs are alternately displayed on the oscilloscope with a clear separation between them. The output is controlled by the tandem potentiometer RV1a/b which also varies the amplitude of the traces.

# 61

## Phase Sequence and Phase Shift Circuits

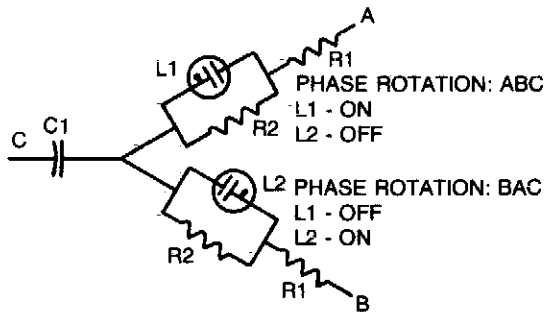
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Phase Sequence Indicator  
Single Transistor Phase Shifter  
0° to 180° Phase Shifter

Phase Shift Circuits  
Precision Phase Splitter  
0 to 360° Phase Shifter

## PHASE SEQUENCE INDICATOR



### Circuit Notes

Simple, portable phase-sequence indicator determines the proper phase rotation in polyphase circuits. Major components are two neon lamps, two resistors, and a capacitor. In operation, the leg voltages are unbalanced, so that the lamp with the maximum voltage—or proper phase sequence—lights. Table shows typical component values for various circuit frequencies.

Fig. 61-1

## SINGLE TRANSISTOR PHASE SHIFTER

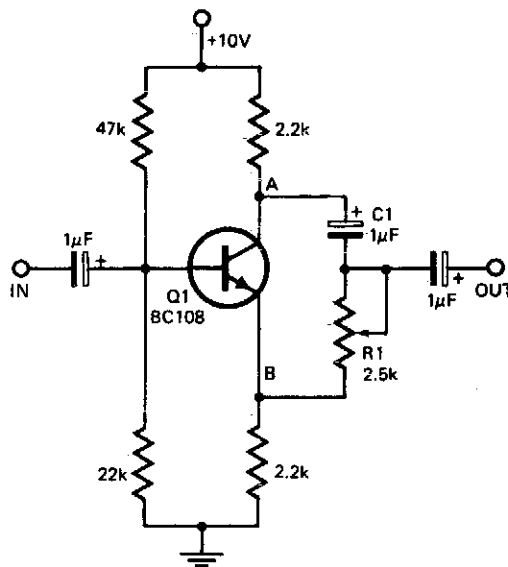


Fig. 61-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a simple means of obtaining phase shifts between zero and 170°. The transistor operates as a phase splitter, the output at point A being 180° out of phase with the input. Point B is in phase with the input

phase. Adjusting R1 provides the sum of various proportions of these and hence a continuously variable phase shift is provided. The circuit operates well in the 600 Hz to 4 kHz range.





# 62

## Photography Related Circuits

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Automatic Contrast Meter  
Darkroom Timer  
Photo Stop Action  
Sound Light-Flash Trigger  
Sound Activated Strobe Trip

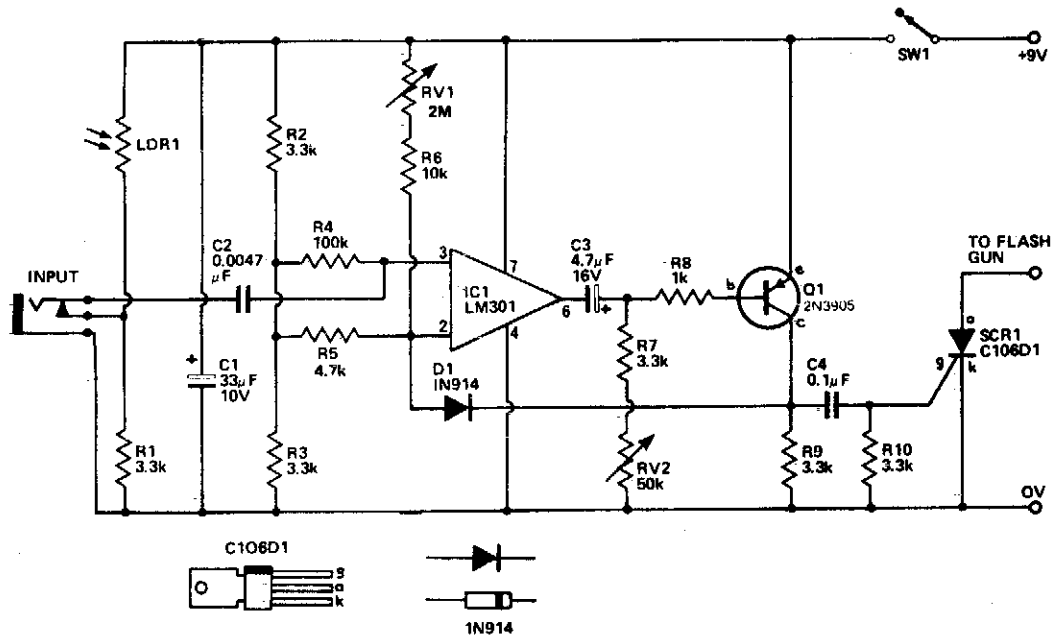
Flash Slave Driver  
Remote Flash Trigger  
Flash Exposure Meter  
Shutter Tester  
Photographic Timer







## SOUND LIGHT-FLASH TRIGGER



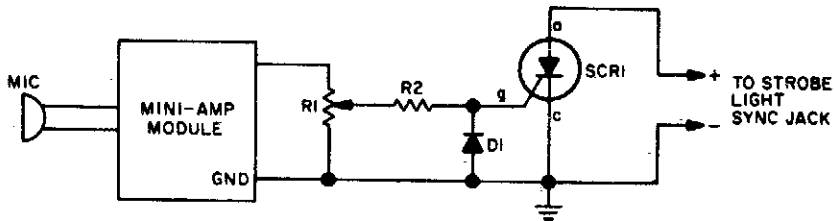
**Fig. 62-4**

### Circuit Notes

Sound input to the microphone triggers the IC monostable circuit which subsequently triggers an SCR, and hence the flash, after a

time delay. This delay is adjustable—by varying the monostable on-time—from from 5 milliseconds to 200 milliseconds.

## SOUND ACTIVATED STROBE TRIP



**D1**—HEP-154 silicon rectifier  
**R1**—5000-ohm potentiometer  
**R2**—2700-ohm, ½-watt resistor  
**SCR1**— silicon- controlled rectifier  
**MIC.**—Ceramic microphone

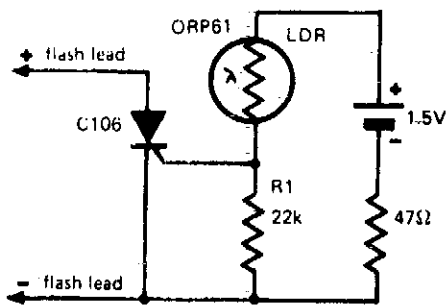
**Fig. 62-5**

### Circuit Notes

Take strobe-flash pictures the instant a pin pricks a balloon, a hammer breaks a lamp bulb or a bullet leaves a gun. Use a transistor amplifier of 1-watt rating or less. (It must have an output transformer.) The amplifier is terminated with a resistor on its highest output im-

pedance, preferably 16 ohms. To test, darken room lights, open camera shutter, and break a lamp bulb with a hammer. The sound of the hammer striking the lamp will trigger the flash, and the picture will have been taken at that instant.

## FLASH SLAVE DRIVER



### Circuit Notes

In photography, a separate flash, triggered by the light of a master flash light, is often required to provide more light, fill-in shadows etc. The sensitivity of this circuit depends on the proximity of the master flash and the value of R1. Increasing R1 gives increased sensitivity.

**Fig. 62-6**

## REMOTE FLASH TRIGGER

**Q1**—300-V light-activated silicon-controlled rectifier (LASCR)  
**R1**—47,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor

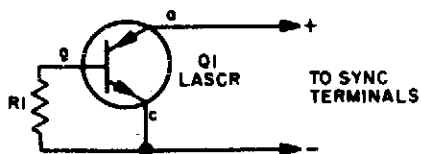


Fig. 62-7

### Circuit Notes

Transistor Q1 is a light-activated silicon-controlled rectifier (LASCR). The gate is tripped by light entering a small lens built into the top cap. To operate, provide a 6-in. length of stiff wire for the anode and cathode connections and terminate the wires in a polarized power plug that matches the sync terminals on your electronic flashgun (strobelight). Make certain the anode lead connects to the positive sync terminal. When using the device, bend the connecting wires so the LASCR lens faces the main flash. This will fire the remote unit.

## FLASH EXPOSURE METER

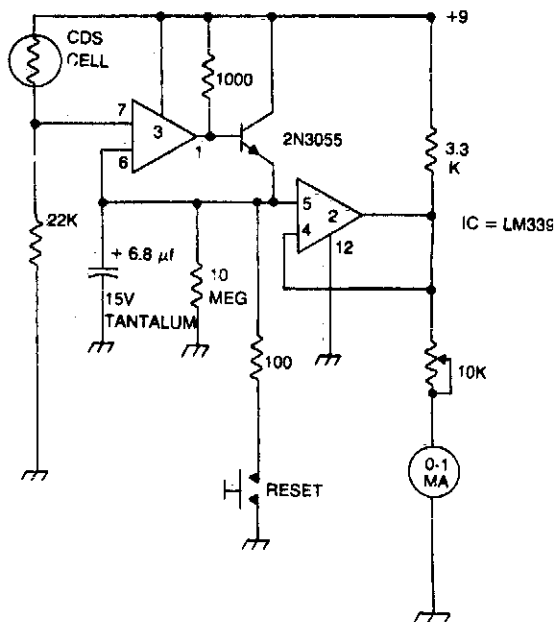


Fig. 62-8

### Circuit Notes

Strobe light meter catches the peak of flash intensity and holds it long enough to give a reading. The reset button must be pressed before each measurement.



## SHUTTER TESTER

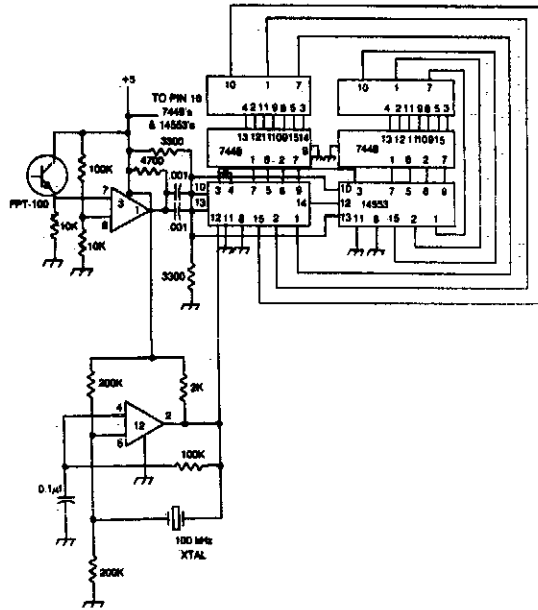


Fig. 62-9

### Circuit Notes

Shutter speed tester combines frequency counter, crystal oscillator, and photo-transistor-operated gate generator. Oscillator pulses are counted as long as the shutter is open. Reset is automatic at the instant the shutter opens.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC TIMER

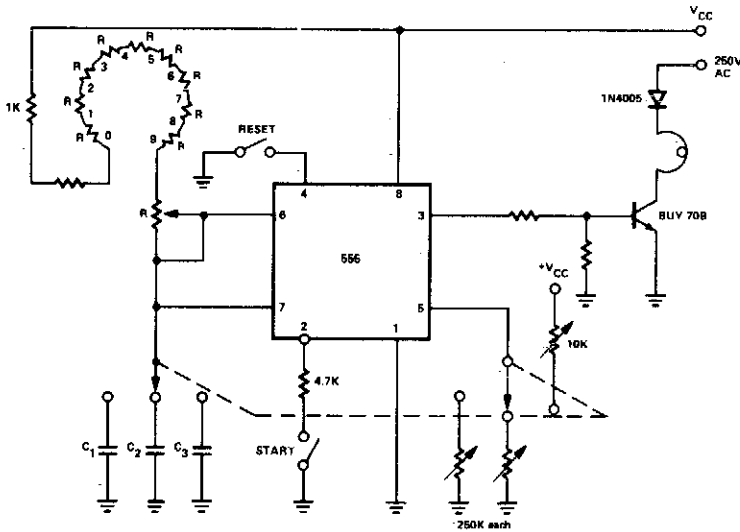


Fig. 62-10

# 63

## Power Measuring Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Extended Range VU Meter (Dot Mode)  
Audio Power Meter

Audio Power Meter  
Power Meter (1 kW Full Scale)

60 MHz Power Gain Test Circuit



### AUDIO POWER METER

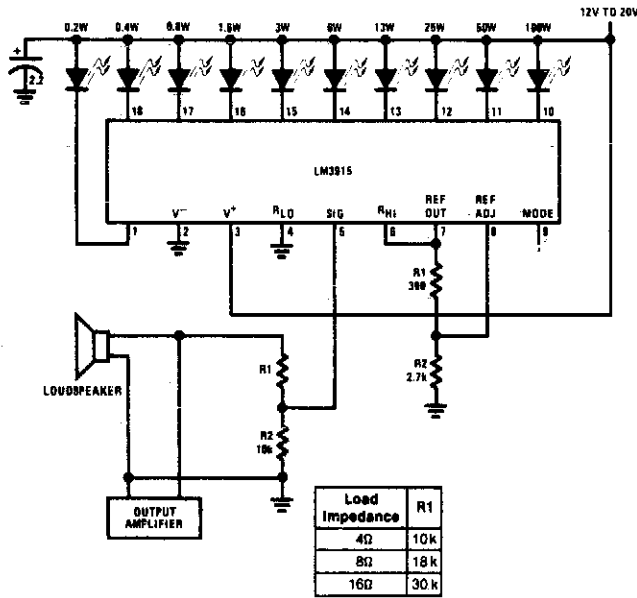


Fig. 63-2

See Application Hints for optional Peak or Average Detector

### AUDIO POWER METER

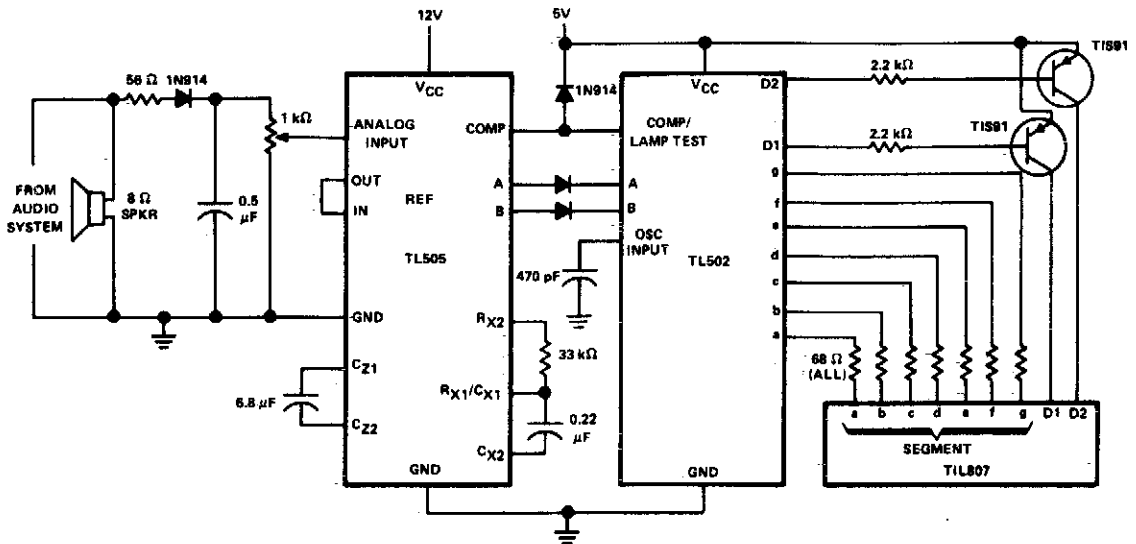


Fig. 63-3

### POWER METER (1 kW FULL SCALE)

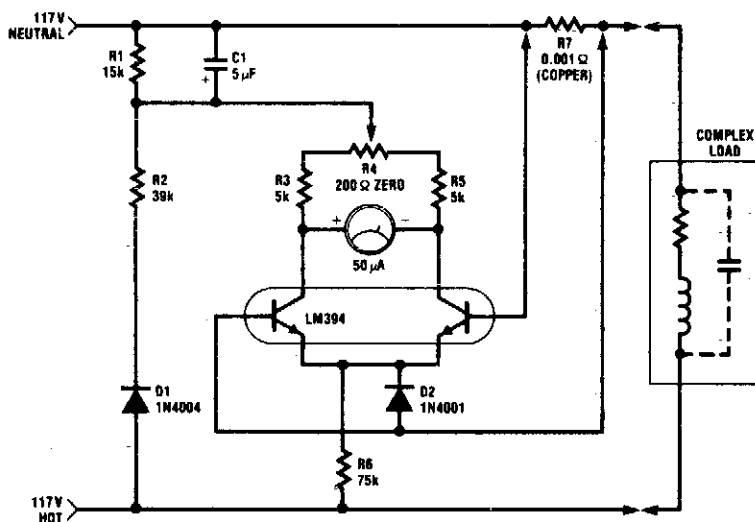


Fig. 63-4

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is intended for 117 Vac  $\pm$  50 Vac operation, but can be easily modified for higher or lower voltages. It measures true (nonreactive) power being delivered to the load and requires no external power supply. Idling power drain is only 0.5 W. Load current

sensing voltage is only 10 mV, keeping load voltage loss to 0.01%. Rejection of reactive load currents is better than 100:1 for linear loads. Nonlinearity is about 1% full scale when using a 50  $\mu$ A meter movement.

### 60 MHz POWER GAIN TEST CIRCUIT

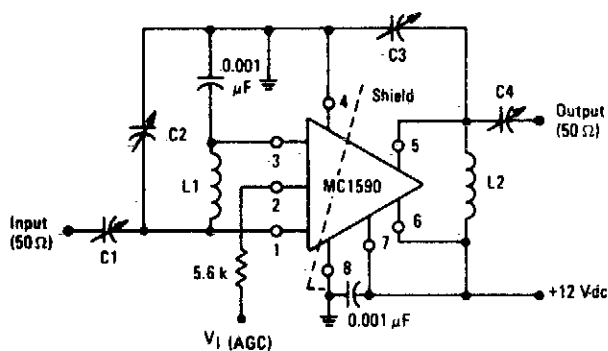


Fig. 63-5

- L1 = 7 Turns, #20 AWG Wire, 5/16" Dia., 5/8" Long  
 L2 = 6 Turns, #14 AWG Wire, 9/16" Dia., 3/4" Long  
 C1, C2, C3 = (1-30) pF  
 C4 = (1-10) pF

# 64

## Power Supplies (Fixed)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Switching Regulator Operating at 200 kHz  
5 V, 0.5 A Power Supply  
3 W Switching Regulator Application Circuit  
Regulated Split Supplies from a Single  
Supply  
Switching Step-Down Regulator  
Single-Ended Regulator  
 $\pm 50$  V Push-Pull Switched Mode Converter  
5 V/0.5 A Buck Converter  
 $\pm 50$  V Feed Forward Switch Mode  
Converter  
Traveller's Shaver Adapter  
100 Vrms Voltage Regulator  
Transistor Increases Zener Rating  
Dual Polarity Power Supply  
5.0 V/6.0 A, 25 kHz Switching Regulator  
with Separate Ultra-Stable Reference  
Mobile Voltage Regulator

Negative Switching Regulator  
Positive Switching Regulator  
Positive Floating Regulator  
Negative Floating Regulator  
Negative Voltage Regulator  
- 15 V Negative Regulator  
Slow Turn-On 15 V Regulator  
High Stability 10 V Regulator  
5 V/1 A Switching Regulator  
15 V/1 A Regulator with Remote Sense  
Low Ripple Power Supply  
5.0 V/10 A Regulator  
5.0 V/3.0 A Regulator  
100 V/10.25 A Switch Mode Converter  
Voltage Regulator  
Low Voltage Regulators with Short Circuit  
Protection  
High Stability 1 A Regulator

100 V/0.25 A Switch Mode Converter

## SWITCHING REGULATOR OPERATING AT 200 kHz

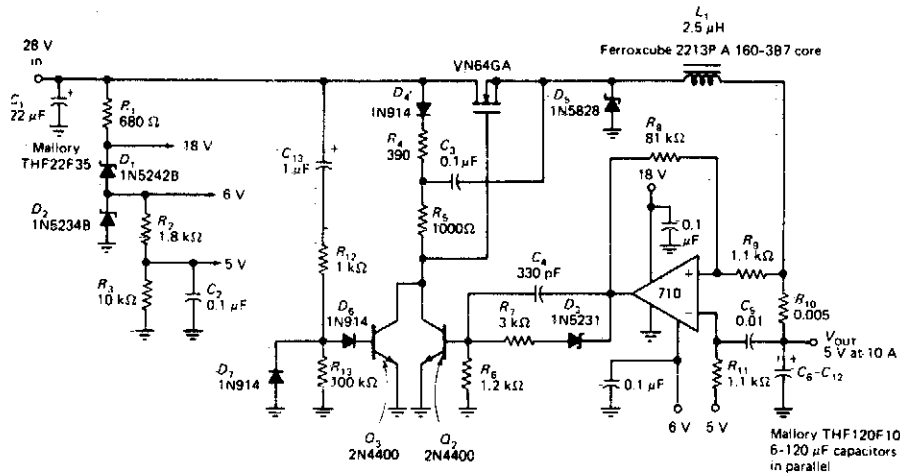


Fig. 64-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a regulated dc with less than 100 mV of ripple for microprocessor applications. Necessary operating voltages are taken from the bleeder resistor network connected across the unregulated 28 V supply. The output of the LM710 comparator (actually an

oscillator running at 200 kHz) is fed through a level-shifting circuit to the base of bipolar transistor Q2. This transistor is part of a bootstrap circuit necessary to turn the power MOSFET full on in totem-pole MOSFET arrays.

## 5 V, 0.5 A POWER SUPPLY

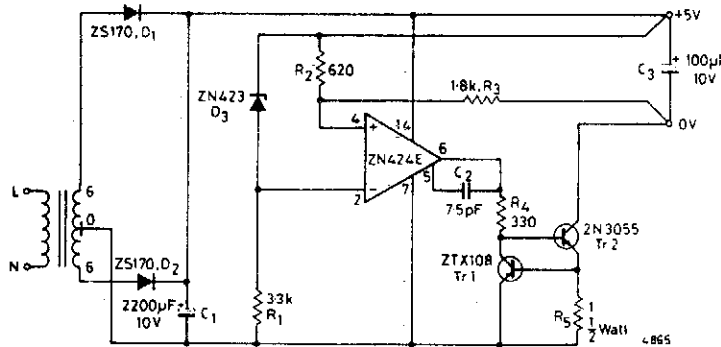


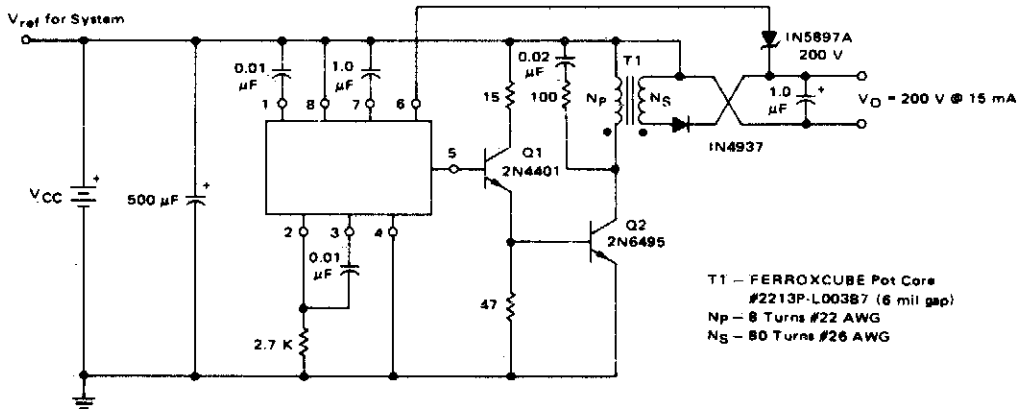
Fig. 64-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is essentially a constant source modified by the feedback components R2 and R3 to give a constant voltage output. The output of the ZN424E need only be 2 volts above the negative rail, by placing the load in the collector of the output transistor Tr2. The

current limit is achieved by Tr1 and R5. This simple circuit has the following performance characteristics: Output noise and ripple (full load) = 1 mV rms. Load regulation (0 to 0.5 A) = 0.1%. Temperature coefficient =  $\pm 100$  ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C. Current limit = 0.65 A.

### 3 W SWITCHING REGULATOR APPLICATION CIRCUIT

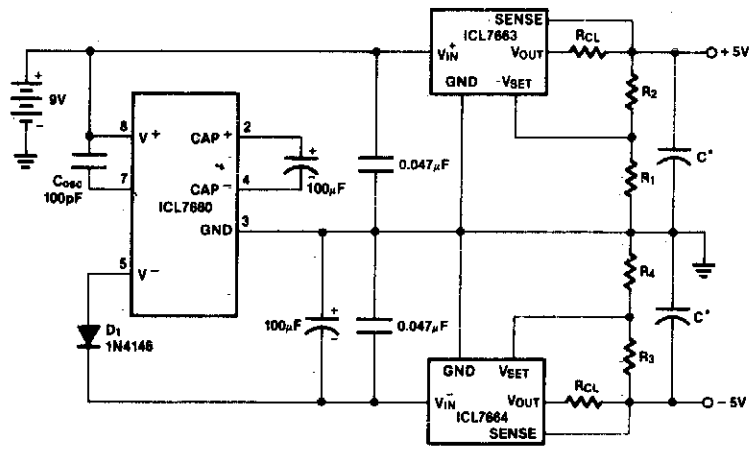


T1 - FERROXCUBE Pot Core  
 #2213P-L003B7 (6 mil gap)  
 Np - 8 Turns #22 AWG  
 Ns - 80 Turns #26 AWG

3-Watt Switching Regulator - converts 5 V to 200 V for gas discharge displays such as Burroughs Panaplex and Beckman.

Fig. 64-3

### REGULATED SPLIT POWER SUPPLIES FROM A SINGLE SUPPLY



\*Values depend on load characteristics

Fig. 64-4

#### Circuit Notes

The oscillation frequency of the ICL7660 is reduced by the external oscillator capacitor, so that it inverts the battery voltage more efficiently.



### SWITCHING STEP-DOWN REGULATOR

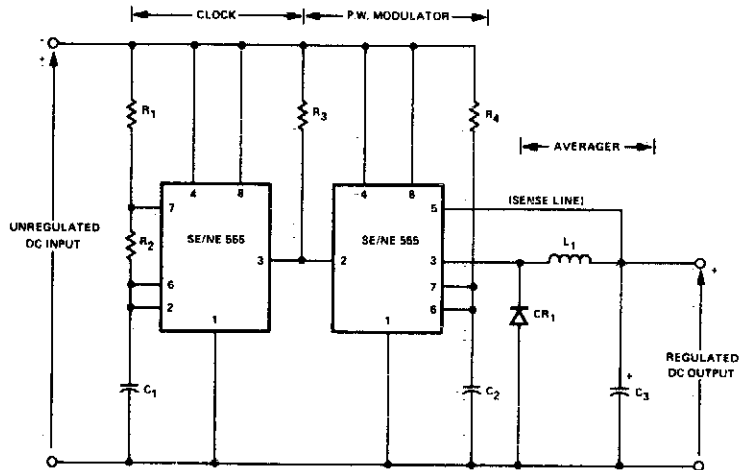


Fig. 64-5

### SINGLE-ENDED REGULATOR

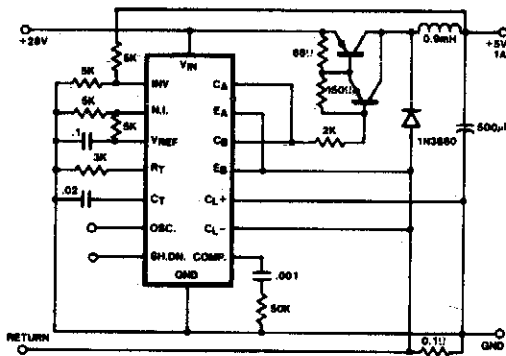


Fig. 64-6

#### Circuit Notes

In this conventional single-ended regulator circuit, the two outputs of the SG1524 are connected in parallel for effective 0-90% duty-cycle modulation. The use of an output inductor requires an RC phase compensation network for loop stability.

### ±50 V PUSH-PULL SWITCHED MODE CONVERTER

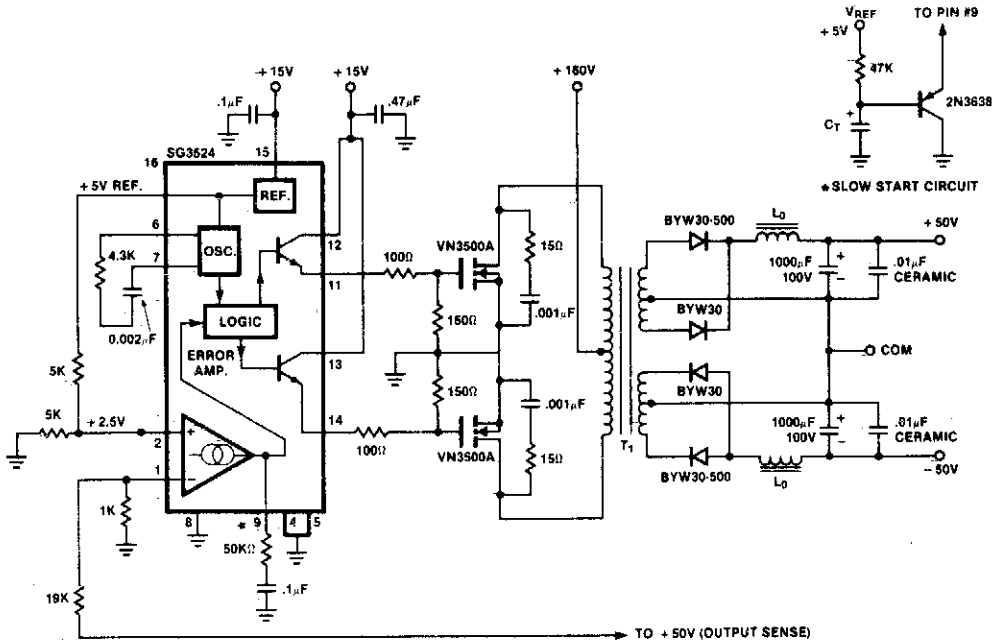


Fig. 64-7

### 5 V/0.5 A BUCK CONVERTER

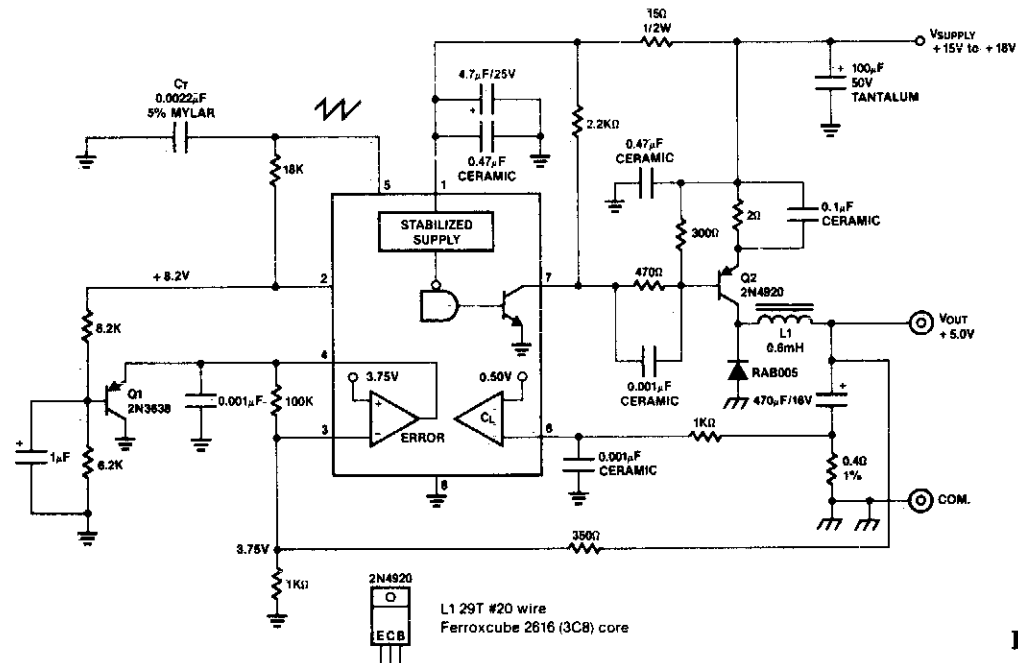
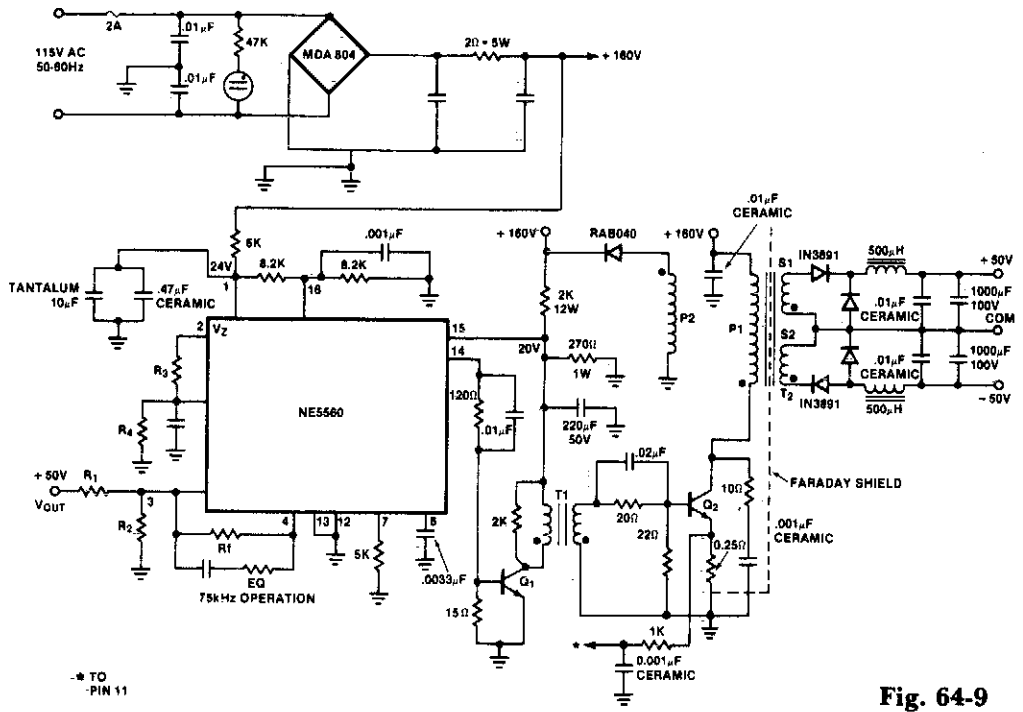


Fig. 64-8

## ±50 V FEED FORWARD SWITCH MODE CONVERTER

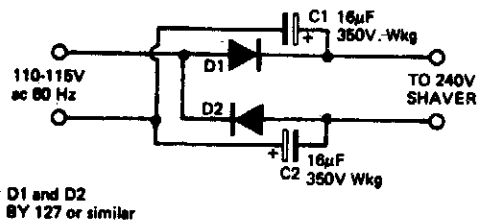


**Fig. 64-9**

## TRAVELLER'S SHAVER ADAPTER

### Circuit Notes

Many countries have 115 volts mains supplies. This can be a problem if your electric shaver is designed for 220/240 volts only. This simple rectifier voltage doubler enables motor driven 240 volt shavers to be operated at full speed from a 115 volt supply. As the output voltage is dc, the circuit can only be used to drive small ac/dc motors. It cannot be used, for example, to operate vibrator-type shavers, or radios unless the latter are ac/dc operated.



**Fig. 64-10**

### 100 Vrms VOLTAGE REGULATOR

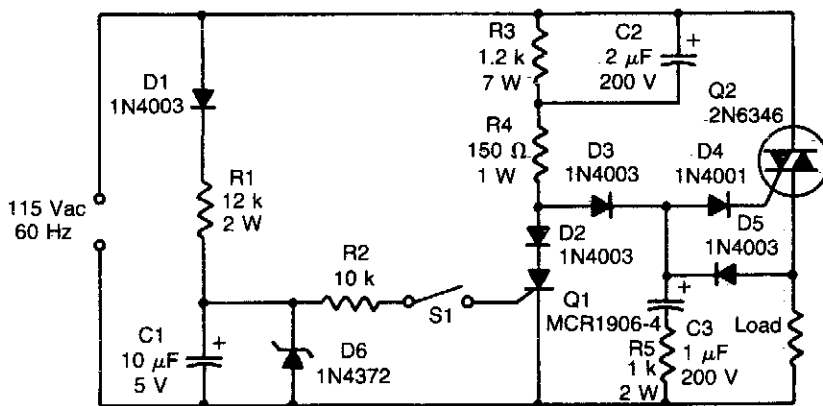


Fig. 64-11

### TRANSISTOR INCREASES ZENER RATING

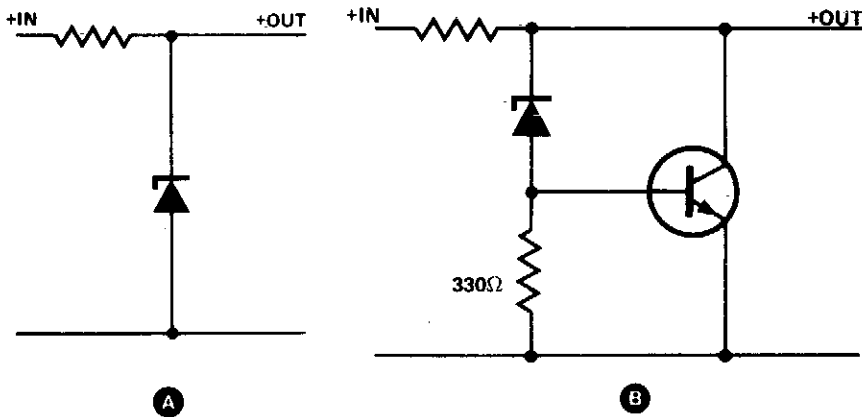


Fig. 64-12

#### Circuit Notes

The simple zener shunt in A may not handle sufficient current if the zener available is of low wattage. A power transistor will do most of the work for the zener as shown in B.

Once the zener starts conducting, a bias voltage develops across the resistor ( $330\ \Omega$  to  $1\ K$ ), turning on the transistor. The output voltage is  $0.7\ V$  greater than the zener voltage.

### DUAL POLARITY POWER SUPPLY

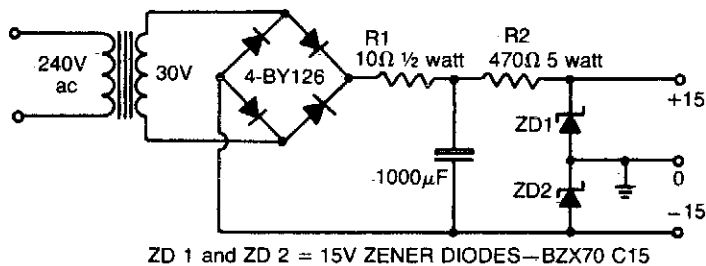


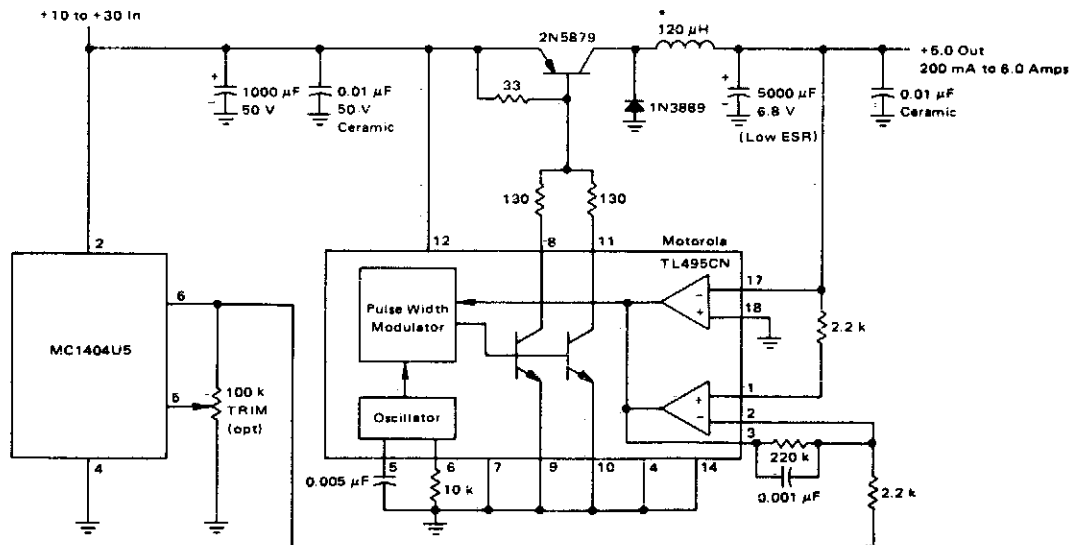
Fig. 64-13

#### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit gives a positive and negative supply from a single transformer winding and one full-wave bridge. Two zener

diodes in series provide the voltage division and their centerpoint is grounded. (The filter capacitor must not be grounded via its case).

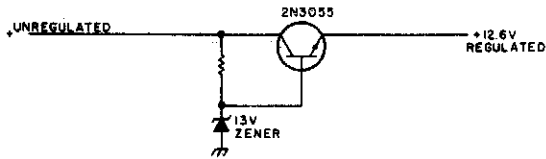
### 5.0 V/6.0 A 25 kHz SWITCHING REGULATOR WITH SEPARATE ULTRA-STABLE REFERENCE



\* 40 Turns #16 Wire, Arnold A-894075-2 Ferrite Core

Fig. 64-14

## MOBILE VOLTAGE REGULATOR

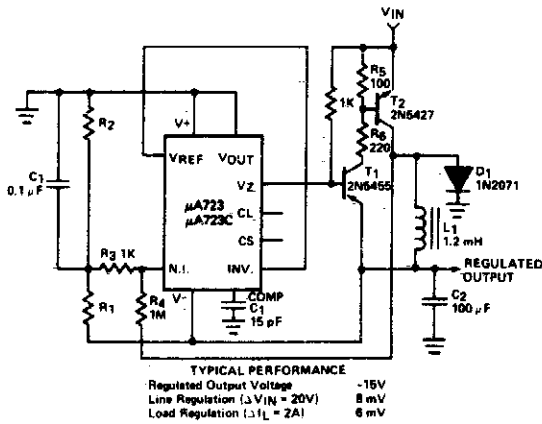


**Fig. 64-15**

### Circuit Notes

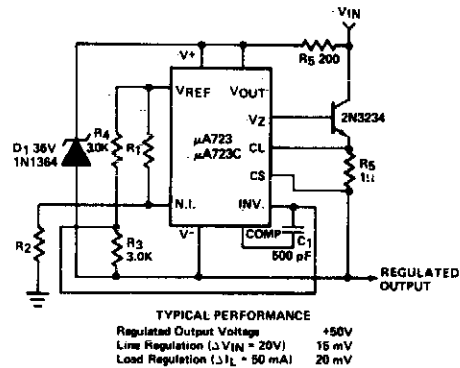
This simple mobile voltage regulator circuit may save your two meter or CB transceiver if the voltage regulator fails. The 2N3055 should be heat sunk if current drawn by the rig is in excess of 2 A on transmit. This circuit will do little under normal operating conditions, but could save expensive equipment if the vehicle's electrical system loses regulation.

### NEGATIVE SWITCHING REGULATOR



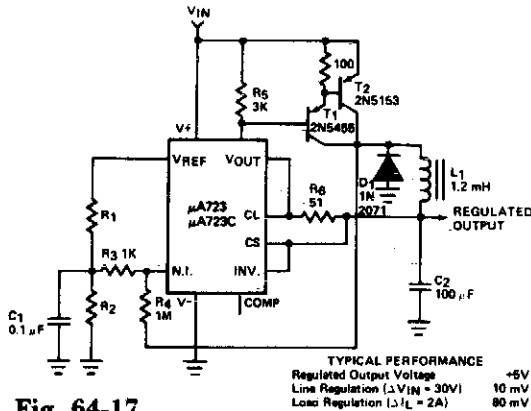
**Fig. 64-16**

### POSITIVE FLOATING REGULATOR



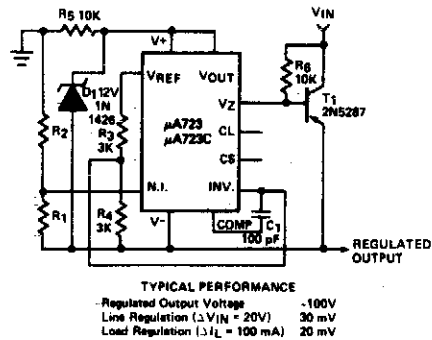
**Fig. 64-18**

### POSITIVE SWITCHING REGULATOR



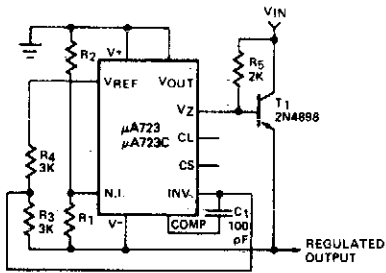
**Fig. 64-17**

### NEGATIVE FLOATING REGULATOR



**Fig. 64-19**

### NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATOR



TYPICAL PERFORMANCE  
 Regulated Output Voltage -15V  
 Line Regulation ( $\Delta V_{IN} = 3V$ ) 1 mV  
 Load Regulation ( $\Delta I_L = 100 \text{ mA}$ ) 2 mV

Fig. 64-20

### HIGH STABILITY 10 V REGULATOR

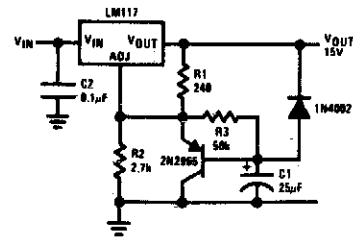


Fig. 64-23

### -15 V NEGATIVE REGULATOR

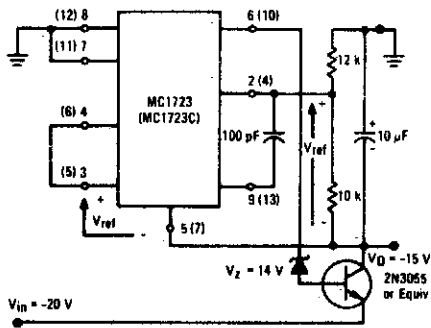


Fig. 64-21

### 5 V/1 A SWITCHING REGULATOR

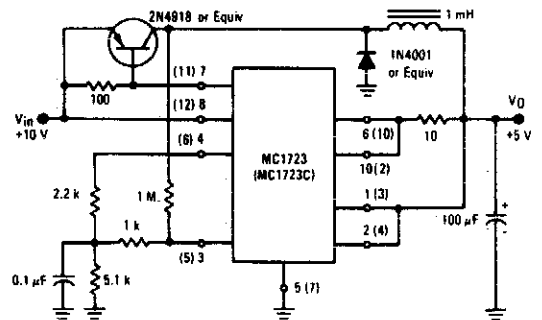


Fig. 64-24

### SLOW TURN-ON 15 V REGULATOR

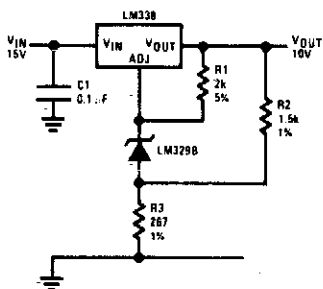


Fig. 64-22

### 15 V/1 A REGULATOR WITH REMOTE SENSE

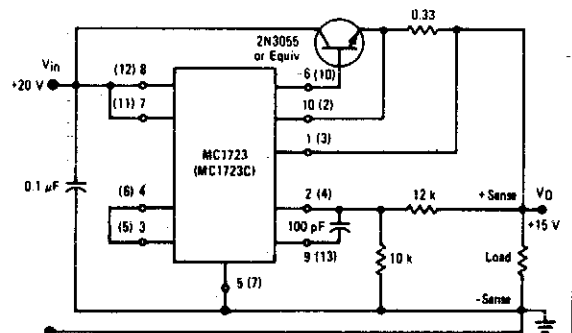


Fig. 64-25

## LOW RIPPLE POWER SUPPLY

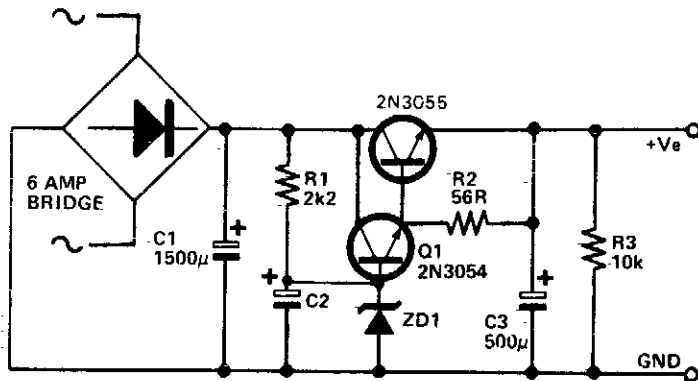


Fig. 64-26

### Circuit Notes

This circuit may be used where a high current is required with a low ripple voltage (such as in a high powered class AB amplifier when high quality reproduction is necessary). Q1, Q2, and R2 may be regarded as a power darlington transistor. ZD1 and R1 provide a reference voltage at the base of Q1. ZD1 should

be chosen thus:  $ZD1 = V_{out} - 1.2$ . C2 can be chosen for the degree of smoothness as its value is effectively multiplied by the combined gains of Q1/Q2, if  $100 \mu F$  is chosen for C2, assuming minimum hfe for Q1 and Q2,  $C = 100 \times 15(Q1) \times 25(Q2) = 37,000 \mu F$ .

### 5.0 V/10 A REGULATOR

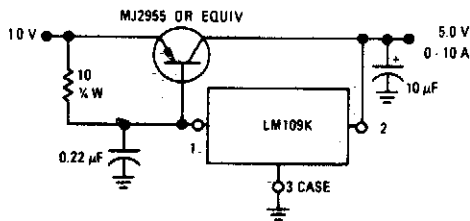


Fig. 64-27

### 5.0 V/3.0 A REGULATOR

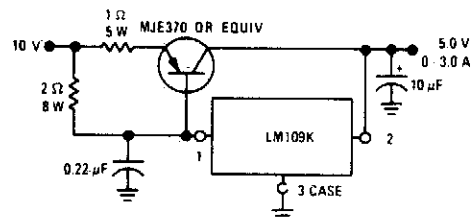
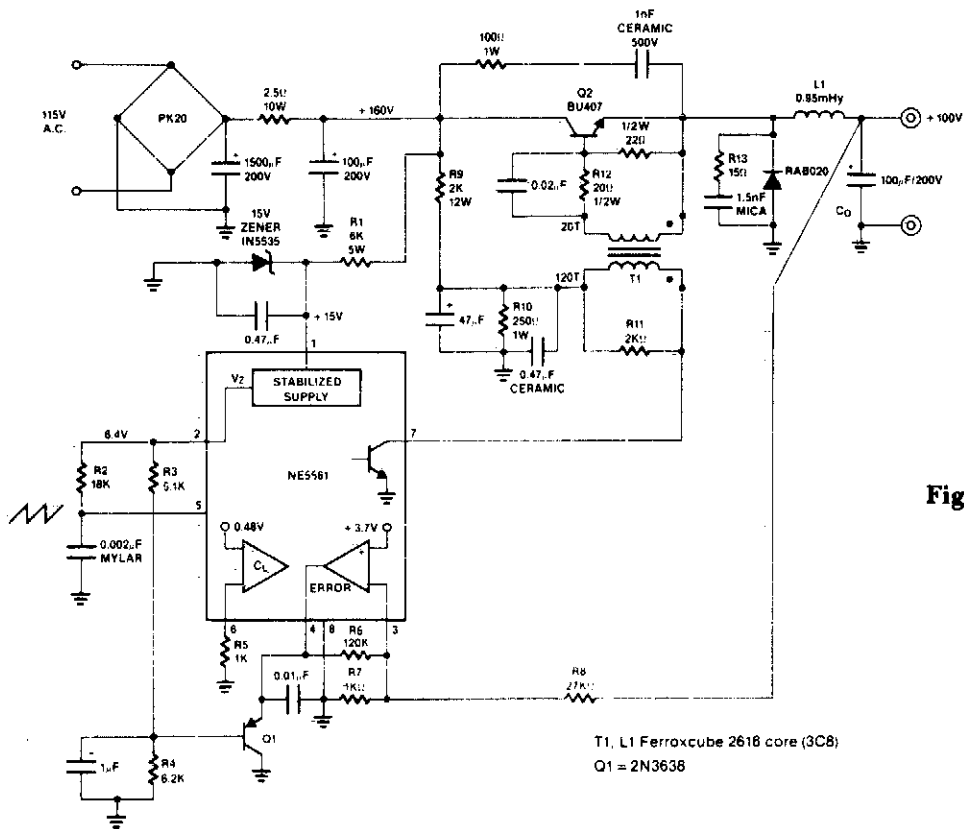


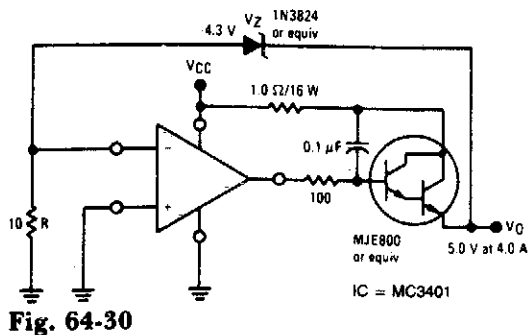
Fig. 64-28



### 100 V/0.25 A SWITCH MODE CONVERTER



### VOLTAGE REGULATOR

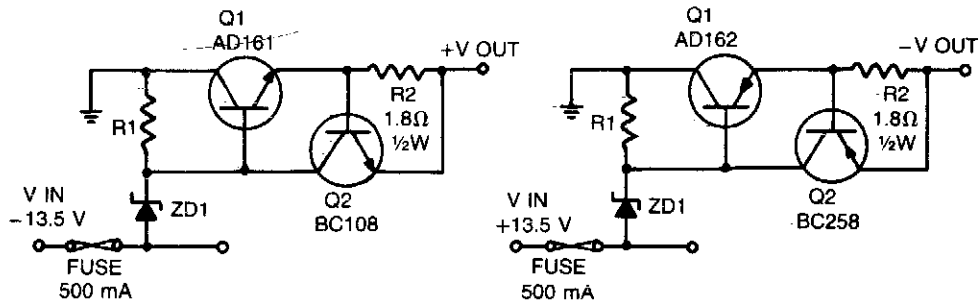


$$V_O = V_Z + 0.6 \text{ Vdc}$$

NOTE 1: R is used to bias the zener.

NOTE 2: If the Zener TC is positive, and equal in magnitude to the negative TC of the input to the operational amplifier ( $\approx 2.0 \text{ mV/}^\circ\text{C}$ ), the output is zero-TC. A 7.0-Volt Zener will give approximately zero-TC.

## LOW VOLTAGE REGULATORS WITH SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION



| VOLTAGE | ZD1<br>400mW | R1           |
|---------|--------------|--------------|
| 6V      | 6V2          | 680 $\Omega$ |
| 7.5V    | 7V5          | 390 $\Omega$ |
| 9V      | 9V1          | 220 $\Omega$ |

Fig. 64-31

### Circuit Notes

These short-circuit protected regulators give 6, 7.5, and 9 V from an automobile battery supply of 13.5 V nominal; however, they will function just as well if connected to a smoothed dc output from a transformer/rectifier circuit. Two types are shown for both positive and negative ground systems. The power transistors can be mounted on the heatsink without a mica insulating spacer thus allowing for greater cooling efficiency. Both circuits are protected

against overload or short-circuits. The current cannot exceed 330 mA. Under normal operating conditions the voltage across R2 does not rise above the 500 mV necessary to turn Q2 on and the circuit behaves as if there was only Q1 present. If excessive current is drawn, Q2 turns on and cuts off Q1, protecting the regulating transistor. The table gives the values of R1 for different zener voltages.

## HIGH STABILITY 1 A REGULATOR

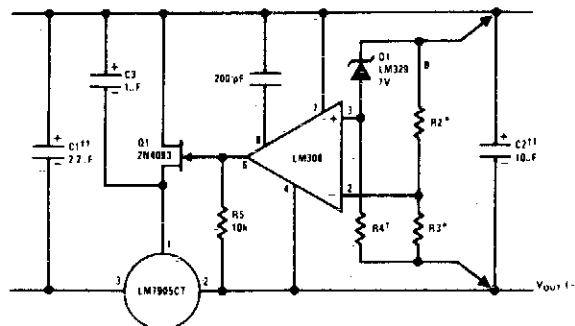


Fig. 64-32

Load and line regulation  $< 0.01\%$  temperature stability  $\leq 0.2\%$

† Determines Zener current

†† Solid tantalum

\* Select resistors to set output voltage. 2 ppm/°C tracking suggested



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## Power Supplies (Variable)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| Dual Output Bench Power Supply  | Precision High Voltage Regulator                      |
| Power Supply with Adjustable Current Limit and Output Voltage           | Remote Shutdown Regulator with Current Limiting       |
| Adjustable Output Regulator   | 0 to 22 V Regulator                                   |
| 10 mA Negative-Voltage from a Positive Source                           | 0 to 30 V Regulator                                   |
| Regulated Voltage Divider   | 10 A Regulator  |
| Variable Zener Diode  | Adjustable Regulator 0-10 V at 3 A                    |
| 12 V To 9, 7.5 or 6 V Converter   | High Voltage Regulator                                |
| 5 A Constant Voltage/Constant Current Regulator                         | Low Voltage Regulator                                 |
| Power Pack for Battery-Powered Calculators, Radios, or Cassette Players | Simple Split Power Supply                             |
|   | Adjustable Output Regulator                           |
|   | Multiple Output Switching Regulator for Use with MPUs |
- 6.0 A Variable Output Switching Regulator

### DUAL OUTPUT BENCH POWER SUPPLY

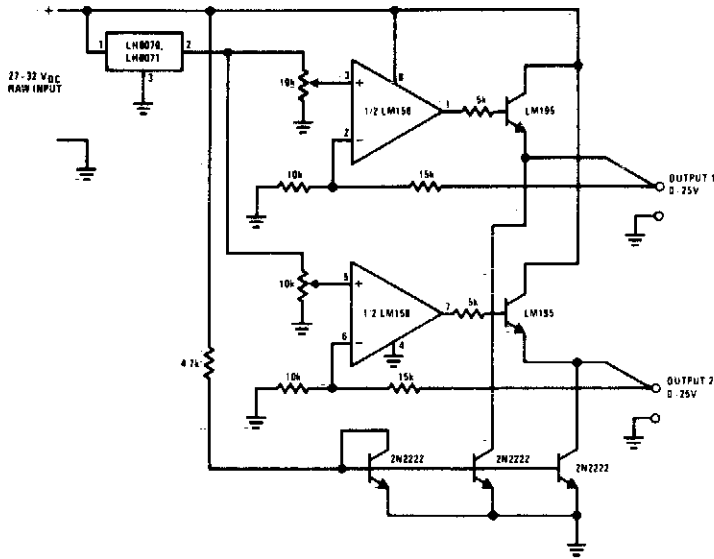


Fig. 65-1

### POWER SUPPLY WITH ADJUSTABLE CURRENT LIMIT AND OUTPUT VOLTAGE

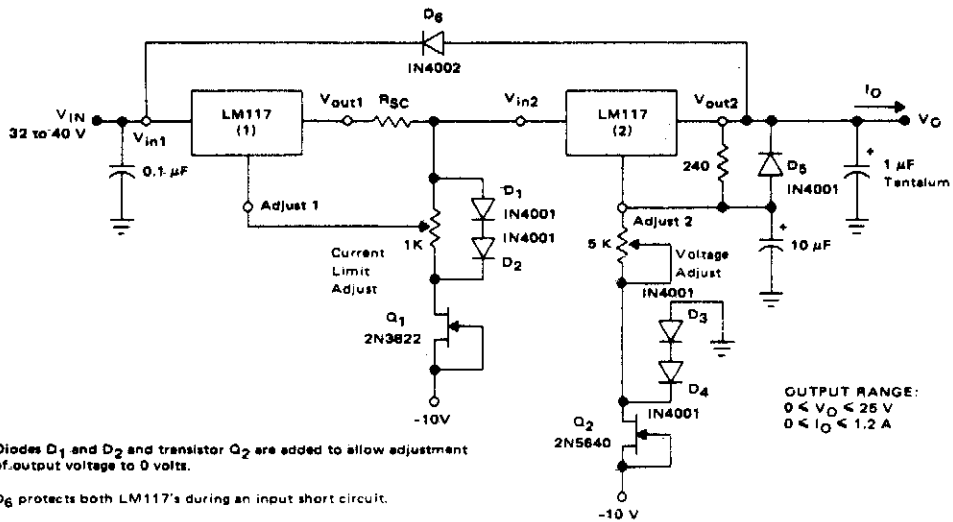


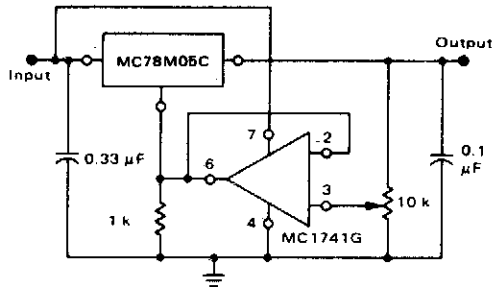
Fig. 65-2

Diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  and transistor  $Q_2$  are added to allow adjustment of output voltage to 0 volts.

$D_6$  protects both LM117's during an input short circuit.

OUTPUT RANGE:  
 $0 < V_O < 25 \text{ V}$   
 $0 < I_O < 1.2 \text{ A}$

## ADJUSTABLE OUTPUT REGULATOR



$$V_O: 7.0 \text{ V to } 20 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{IN} \quad V_O \geq 2.0 \text{ V}$$

Fig. 65-3

### Circuit Notes

The addition of an operational amplifier allows adjustment to higher or intermediate values while retaining regulation characteristics. The minimum voltage obtainable with this arrangement is 2.0 volts greater than the regulator voltage.

## RF PROBE FOR VTVM

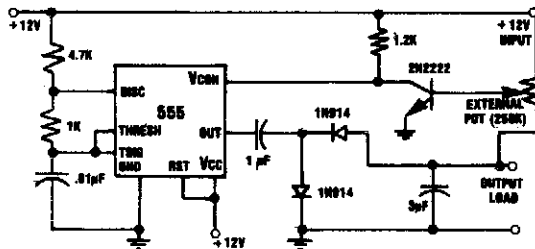


Fig. 65-4

### Circuit Notes

This circuit combines a 555 timer with a 2N2222 transistor and an external potentiometer. The pot adjusts the output voltage to the desired value. To regulate the output voltage, the 2N2222 varies the control voltage of the 555 IC, increasing or decreasing the pulse repetition rate. A 1.2 K resistor is used as a collector load. The transistor base is driven from the external pot. If the output voltage becomes less negative, the control voltage moves closer to ground, causing the repetition rate of the 555 to increase, which, in turn, causes the 3  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor to charge more frequently. Output voltage for the circuit is 0 to 10 V, adjusted by the external pot. Output regulation is less than five percent for 0 to 10 mA and less than .05 percent for 0 to 0.2 mA.

## REGULATED VOLTAGE DIVIDER

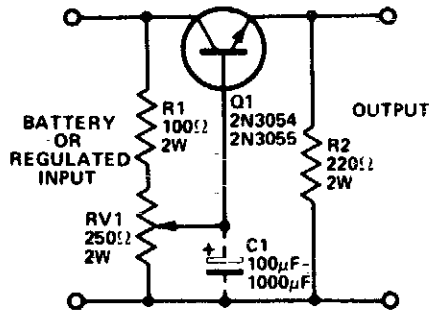


Fig. 65-5

### Circuit Notes

ICs requiring 3.6 or 6 volts can be run from a battery or fixed regulated supply of a higher voltage by using the circuit shown. The transistor should be mounted on a heatsink as considerable power will be dissipated by its collector. Additional filtering can be obtained by fitting a capacitor (C1) as shown. The capacitance is effectively multiplied by the gain of the transistor. A ripple of 200 mV (peak to peak) at the input can be reduced to 2 mV in this fashion. Maximum output current depends on the supply rating and transistor type (with heatsink) used.

## VARIABLE ZENER DIODE

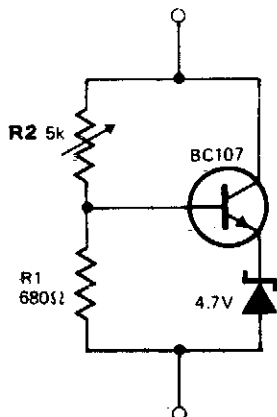
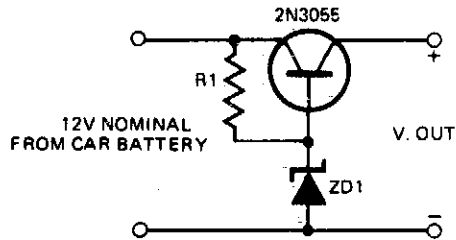


Fig. 65-6

### Circuit Notes

The circuit behaves like a zener diode over a large range of voltages. The current passing through the voltage divider R1-R2 is substantially larger than the transistor base current and is in the region of 8 mA. The stabilizing voltage is adjustable over the range 5-45 V by changing the value of R2. The total current drawn by the circuit is variable over the range 15 mA to 50 mA. This value is determined by the maximum dissipation of the zener diode. In the case of a 250 mW device, this is of the order of 50 mA.

## 12 V TO 9, 7.5 or 6 V CONVERTER



| OUTPUT VOLTAGE       | 9    | 7.5  | 6    |
|----------------------|------|------|------|
| R1 (1/2 WATT)        | 180Ω | 270Ω | 330Ω |
| ZENER DIODE (250 mW) | 10V  | 8V1  | 6V6  |

### Circuit Notes

This circuit enables transistorized items such as radio, cassettes, and other electrical devices to be operated from a car's electrical supply. The table gives values for resistors and specified diode types for different voltage. Should more than one voltage be required a switching arrangement could be incorporated. For high currents, the transistor should be mounted on a heatsink.

Fig. 65-7

## 5 A CONSTANT VOLTAGE/CONSTANT CURRENT REGULATOR

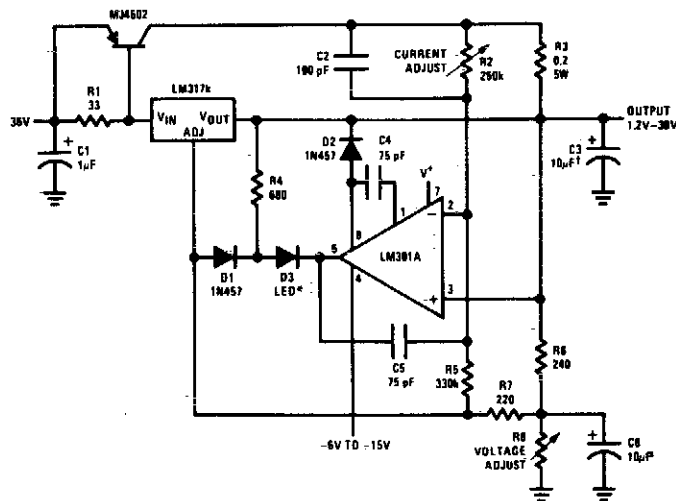


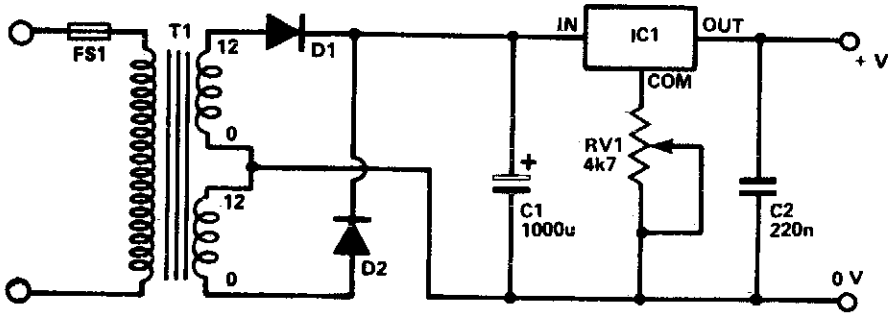
Fig. 65-8

† Solid tantalum

\* Lights in constant current mode



**POWER PACK FOR BATTERY-POWERED  
CALCULATORS, RADIOS, OR CASSETTE PLAYERS**



**NOTES:**  
IC1 IS 7805  
D1,2 ARE 1N4001

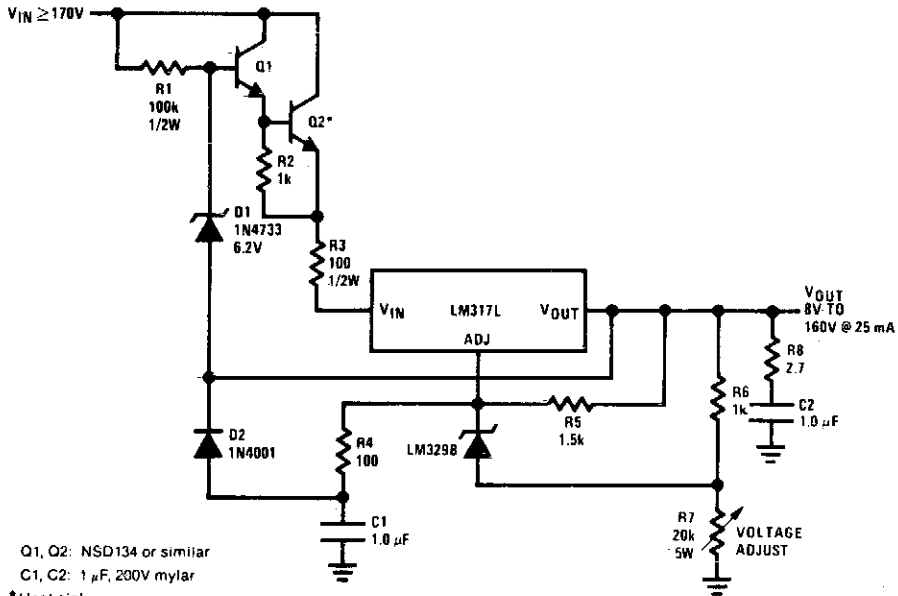
Fig. 65-9

**Circuit Notes**

This circuit gives a regulated output of between 5 V and 15 Vdc, adjusted and set by a preset resistor. Current output up to about 350 mA. An integrated circuit regulates the output

voltage and although this IC (the 7805) is normally used in a fixed-voltage (5 Vdc) supply it is for a variable output voltage.

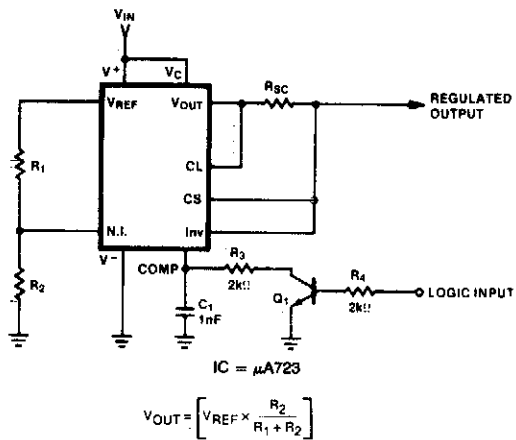
**PRECISION HIGH VOLTAGE REGULATOR**



Q1, Q2: NSD134 or similar  
C1, C2: 1 µF, 200V mylar  
\*Heat sink

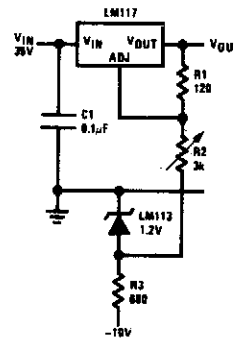
Fig. 65-10

**REMOTE SHUTDOWN REGULATOR  
WITH CURRENT LIMITING**  
( $V_{out} = 2 \text{ TO } 7 \text{ V}$ )



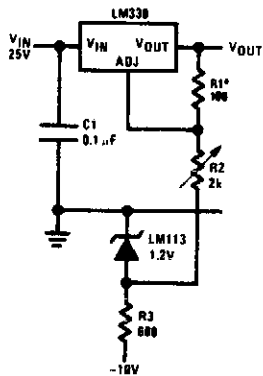
**Fig. 65-11**

**0 TO 30 V REGULATOR**



**Fig. 65-13**

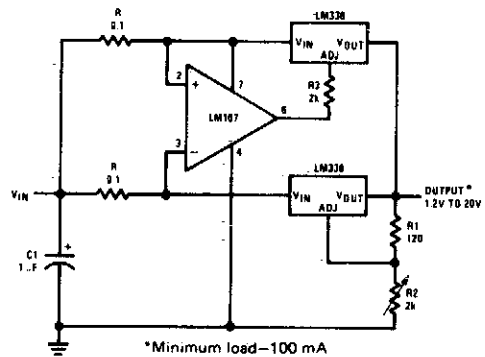
**0 TO 22 V REGULATOR**



\* $R_1 = 240\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 5k$  for LM138 and LM238

**Fig. 65-12**

**10 A REGULATOR**



**Fig. 65-14**

### ADJUSTABLE REGULATOR 0-10 V AT 3 A

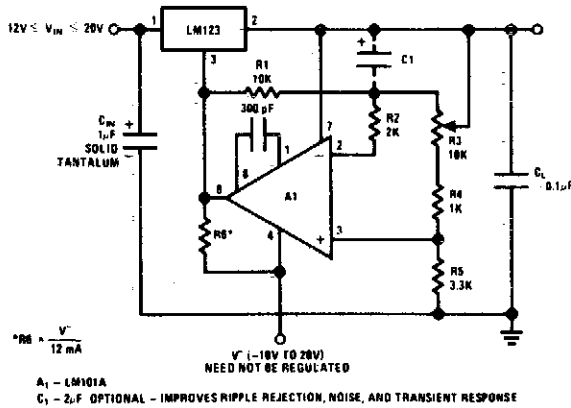
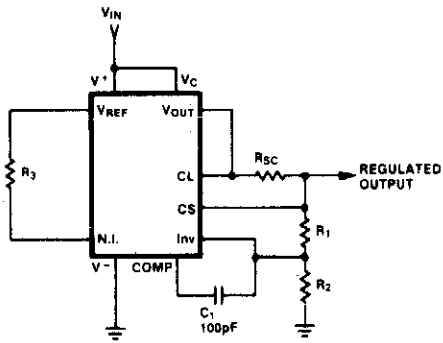


Fig. 65-15

### HIGH VOLTAGE REGULATOR (V<sub>out</sub> = + 7 V TO 37 V)



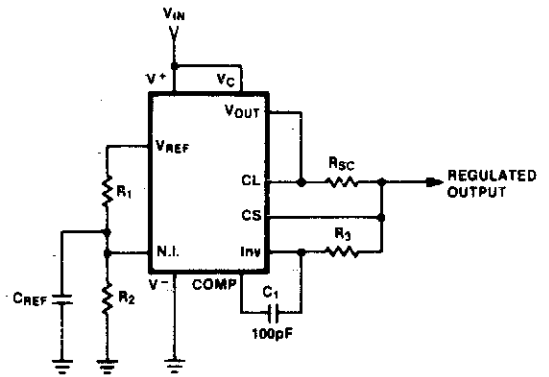
$$V_{OUT} = \left[ V_{REF} \times \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_2} \right]$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \text{ for minimum temperature drift}$$

R3 may be eliminated for minimum component count

Fig. 65-16

### LOW VOLTAGE REGULATOR (V<sub>out</sub> = 2 TO 7 V)



$$V_{OUT} = \left[ V_{REF} \times \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right]$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \text{ for minimum temperature drift}$$

Fig. 65-17

### SIMPLE SPLIT POWER SUPPLY

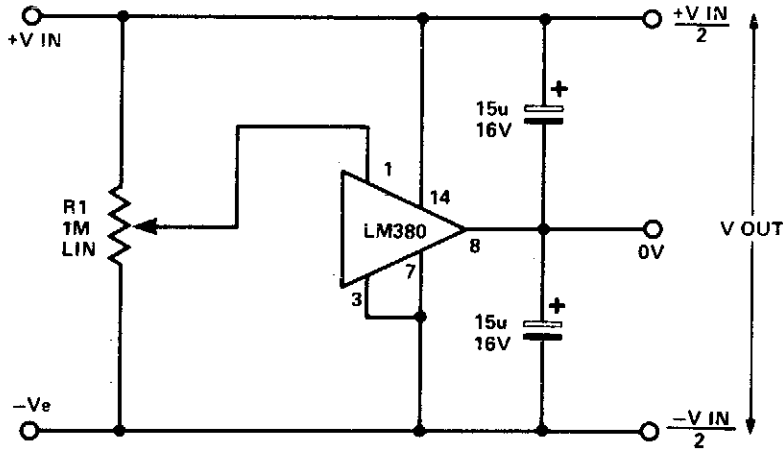


Fig. 65-18

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit utilizes the quasi-complementary output stage of the popular LM380 audio power IC. The device is internally biased so that with no input the output is held midway between the supply rails. R1, which should be initially set to mid-travel, is used to nullify any imbalance in the output. Regulation of  $V_{out}$  depends upon the circuit feeding the LM380, but positive and negative

outputs will track accurately irrespective of input regulation and unbalanced loads. The free-air dissipation is a little over 1 watt, and so extra cooling may be required. The device is fully protected and will go into thermal shut-down if its rated dissipation is exceeded. Current limiting occurs if the output current exceeds 1.3 A. The input voltage should not exceed 20 V.

### ADJUSTABLE OUTPUT REGULATOR

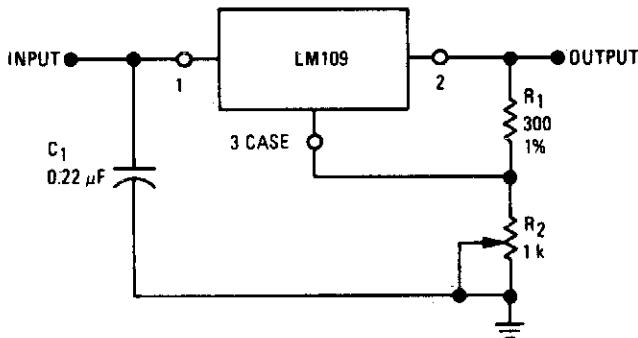


Fig. 65-19



# 66

## Power Supply Protection Circuits

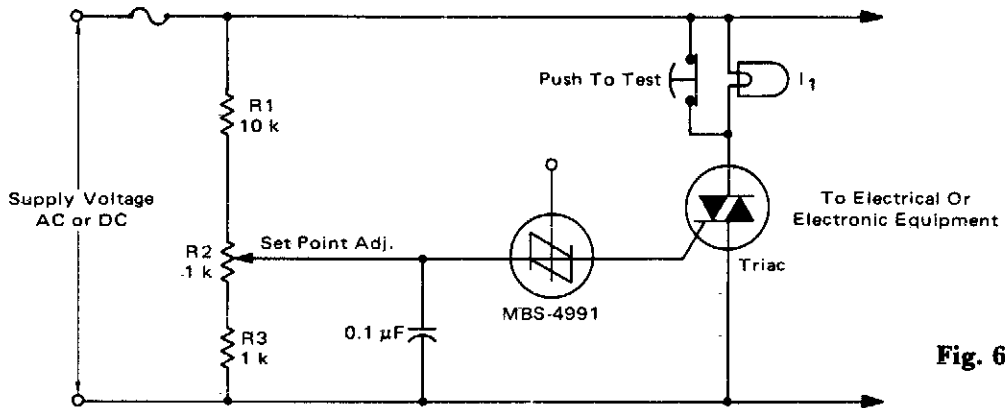
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Crowbar for Ac or Dc Lines  
Power Protection Circuit  
Simple Crowbar  
Overvoltage Protection with Automatic  
Reset

Overvoltage Protection for Logic  
Fast Acting Power Supply Protection  
5 V Crowbar

## ELECTRONIC CROWBAR FOR AC OR DC LINES



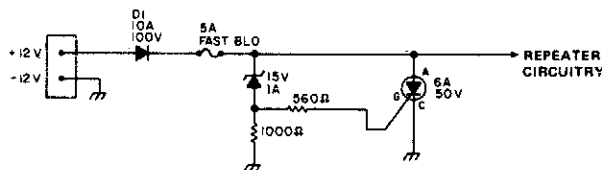
**Fig. 66-1**

### Circuit Notes

For positive protection of electrical or electronic equipment, use this against excessive supply voltage. Due to improper switching, wiring, short circuits, or failure of regulators, an electronic crowbar circuit can quickly place a short circuit across the power lines, thereby dropping the voltage across the protected device to near zero and blowing a fuse. The triac and SBS are both bilateral devices, the circuit is equally useful on ac or dc supply lines. With the values shown for R1, R2, and R3, the crowbar operating point can be adjusted over the range of 60 to 120 volts dc or 42 to 84 volts ac. The resistor values can be

changed to cover a different range of supply voltages. The voltage rating of the triac must be greater than the highest operating point as set by R2. I1 is a low power incandescent lamp with a voltage rating equal to the supply voltage. It may be used to check the set point and operation of the unit by opening the test switch and adjusting the input or set point to fire the SBS. An alarm unit such as the Mallory Sonalert may be connected across the fuse to provide an audible indication of crowbar action. (This circuit may not act on short, infrequent power line transients).

## POWER PROTECTION CIRCUIT



**Fig. 66-2**

### Circuit Notes

To safeguard portable, emergency power repeaters from reverse or excessive voltage, D1 prevents incorrect polarity damage, and zener voltage determines the maximum vol-

tage that will reach the rest of the circuitry. Use fast blowing fuse rated greater than the SCR current rating.

### SIMPLE CROWBAR

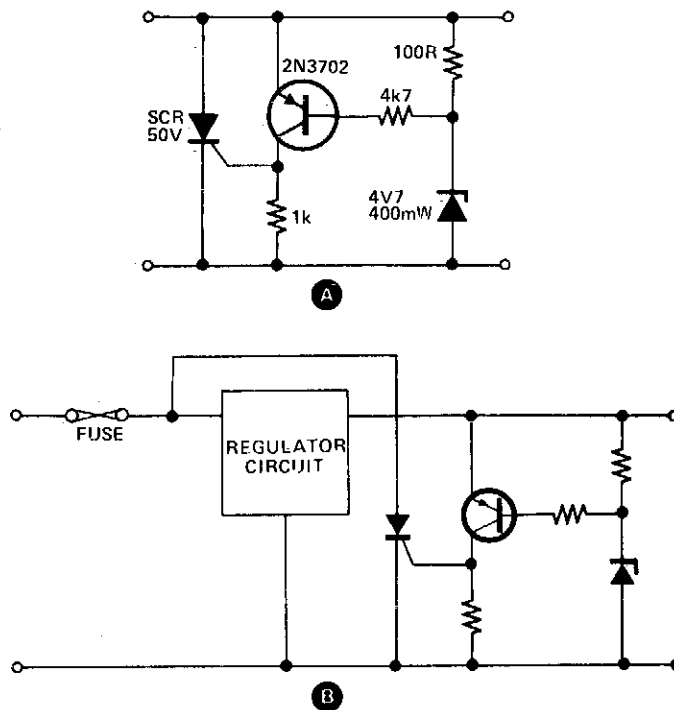


Fig. 66-3

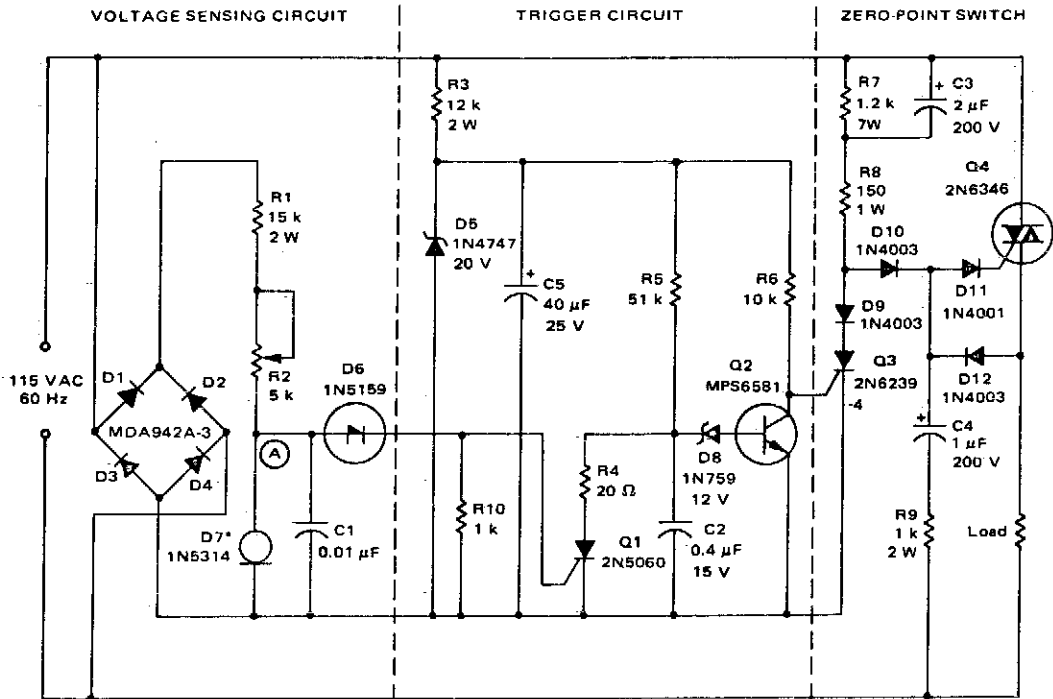
#### Circuit Notes

These circuits provide overvoltage protection in case of voltage regulator failure or application of an external voltage. Intended to be used with a supply offering some form of short circuit protection, either foldback, current limiting, or a simple fuse. The most likely application is a 5 V logic supply, since TTL is easily damaged by excess voltage. The values chosen in A are for a 5 V supply, although any supply up to about 25 V can be protected by simply choosing the appropriate zener. When the supply voltage exceeds the zener

voltage +0.7 V, the transistor turns on and fires the thyristor. This shorts out the supply, and prevents the voltage rising any further. In the case of a supply with only fuse protection, it is better to connect the thyristor the regulator circuit when the crowbar operates. The thyristor should have a current rating about twice the expected short circuit current and a maximum voltage greater than the supply voltage. The circuit can be reset by either switching off the supply, or by breaking the thyristor circuit with a switch.



## OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION WITH AUTOMATIC RESET



\*Two Diodes in Parallel

Fig. 66-4

## OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION FOR LOGIC

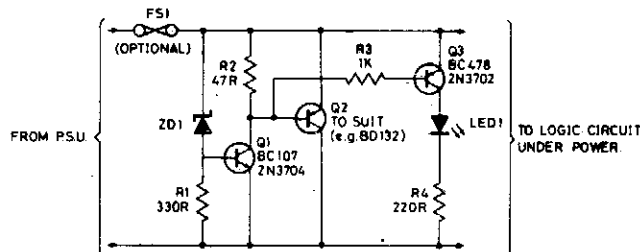


Fig. 66-5

### Circuit Notes

Zener diode ZD1 senses the supply, and should the supply rise above 6 V, Q1 will turn on. In turn, Q2 conducts clamping the rail. Subsequent events depend on the source supply. It will either shut down, go into current limit or blow its supply fuse. None of these will damage

the TTL chips. The rating of Q2 depends on the source supply, and whether it will be required to operate continuously in the event of failure. Its current rating has to be in excess of the source supply.

### FAST ACTING POWER SUPPLY PROTECTION

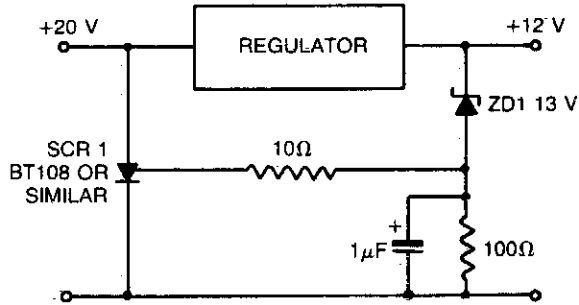


Fig. 66-6

#### Circuit Notes

When using a regulated power supply to reduce a supply voltage, there is always the danger that component failure in the power supply might lead to a severe overvoltage condition across the load. To cope with overvoltage situations, the circuit is designed to protect the load under overvoltage conditions. Component values given are for a 20 V supply

with regulated output at 12 V. The zener diode can be changed according to whatever voltage is to be the maximum. If the voltage at the regulator output rises to 13 V or above, the zener diode breaks down and triggers the thyristor which shorts out the supply line and blows the main fuse.

### 5 V CROWBAR

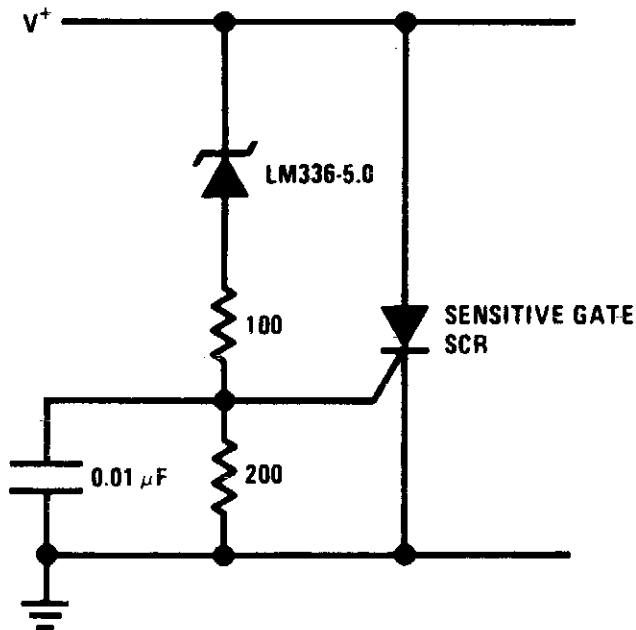


Fig. 66-7

# 67

## Probes

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Logic Probe Yields Three Discrete States  
Signal Injector/Tracer  
Injector/Tracer  
CMOS Logic Probe  
RF Probe for VOM  
100 K Megohm DC Probe

Audible TTL Probe  
Logic Probe  
Logic Test Probe with Memory  
Logic Probe  
Simple Logic Probe  
Audio-RF Signal Tracer Probe

TTL Logic Tester

## LOGIC PROBE YIELDS THREE DISCRETE STATES

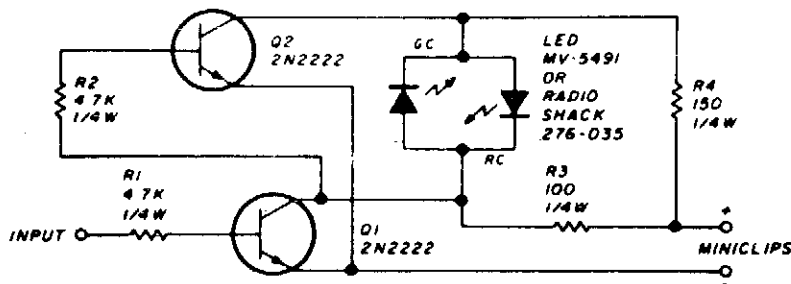


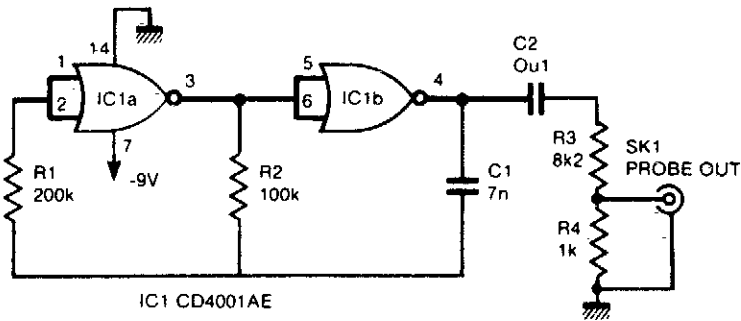
Fig. 67-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a dual LED. When power is applied to the probe through the power leads, and the input is touched to a low level or ground, Q1 is cut off. This will cause Q2 to conduct since the base is positive with respect to the emitter. With Q1 cut off and Q2 conducting, the green diode of the dual LED will be forward biased, yielding a green output. Touching the probe tip to a high level will cause

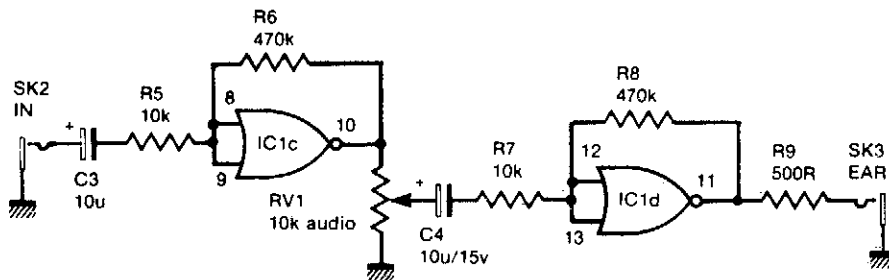
Q1 and Q2 to complement, and the red diode will be forward biased, yielding a red output from the LED. An alternating signal will cause alternating conduction of the red and green diodes and will yield an indication approximately amber. In this manner, both static and dynamic signals can be traced with the logic probe.

## SIGNAL INJECTOR/TRACER



Injector circuit diagram.

Fig. 67-2



Tracer circuit diagram.

### Circuit Notes

The injector is a CMOS oscillator with period approximately equal to  $1.4 \times C1 \times R2$  seconds. The values are given for 1 kHz operation. Resistors R3 and R4 divide the output to 1 V. Whereas the oscillator employs the gates in their digital mode, the tracer used them in a linear fashion by applying negative feedback from output to input. They are used in much the same way as op amps. The circuit uses positive

ground. It offers an advantage at the earphone output because one side of the earphone must be connected to ground via the case. Use of a positive ground allows the phone to be driven by the two N-channel transistors inside the CD4001 which are arranged in parallel and are thus able to handle more current for better volume.

## INJECTOR/TRACER

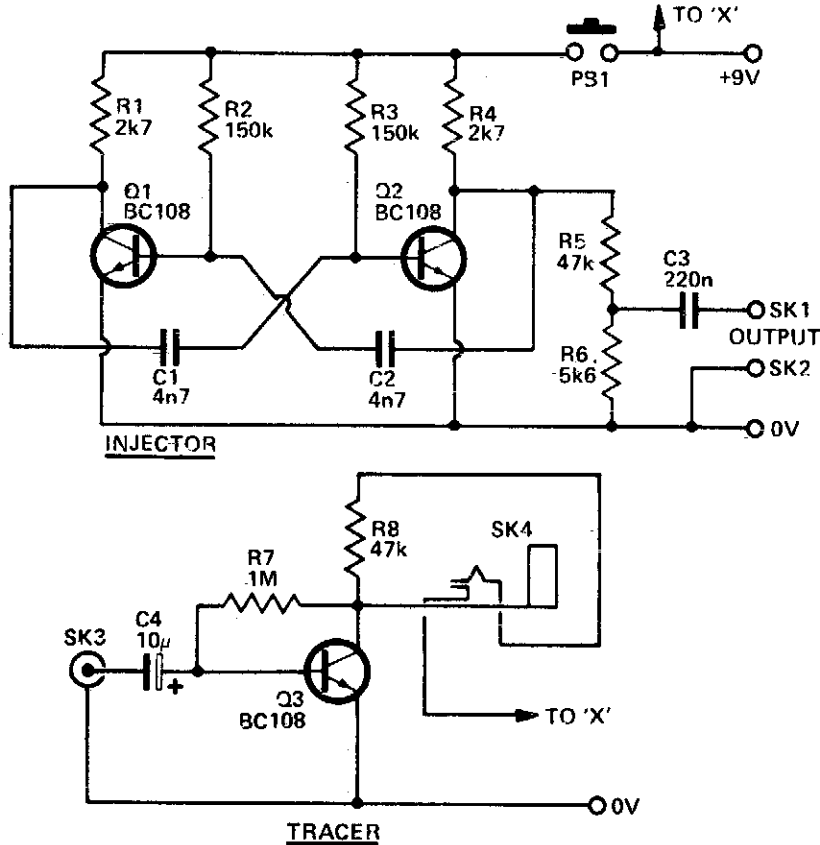


Fig. 67-3

The circuit diagrams for both parts of the injector/tracer. Note that SK4 is used to apply power to the amplifier section.

### Circuit Notes

The unit has a separate amplifier and oscillator section allowing them to be used separately if need be. The injector is a multivibrator running at 1 kHz, with R5 and R6 dividing down

the output to a suitable level ( $\approx 1$  V). The tracer is a single-stage amplifier that drives the high impedance earpiece. C4 decouples the input.

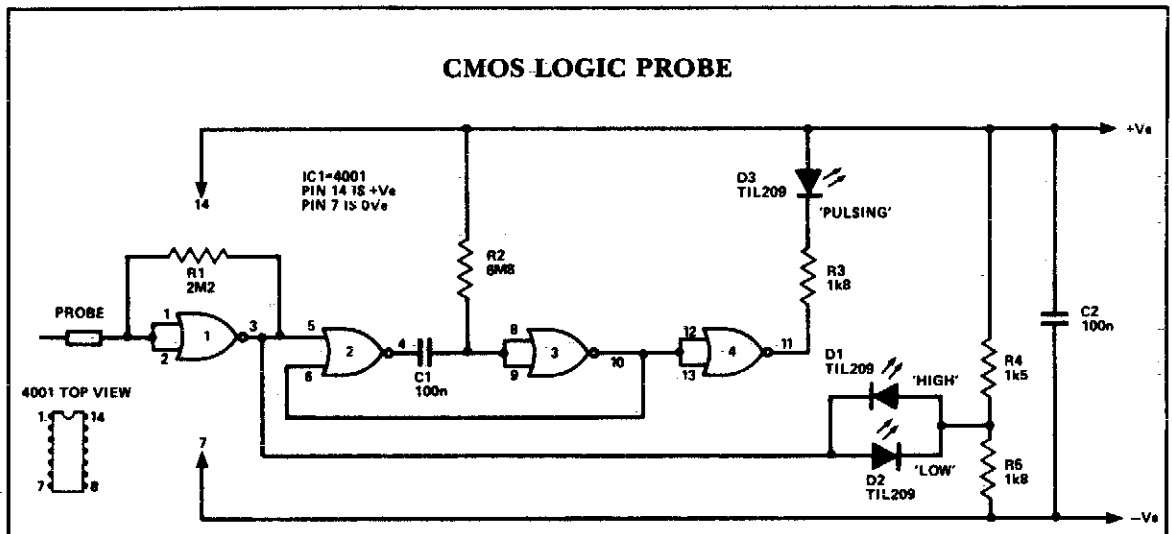


Fig. 67-4

#### Circuit Notes

The logic probe can indicate four input states, as follows: floating input—all LEDs off; logic 0 input—D2 switched on (D3 will briefly flash on); logic 1 input—D1 switched on; puls-

ing input—D3 switched on, or pulsing in the case of a low frequency input signal (one or both of the other indicators will switch on, showing if one input state predominates).

### RF PROBE FOR VOM

#### PARTS LIST FOR RF PROBE FOR VOM

- C1—500-pF, 400-VDC capacitor
- C2—0.001-uF, disc capacitor
- D1—1N4149 diode
- R1—15,000-ohm, ½-watt resistor

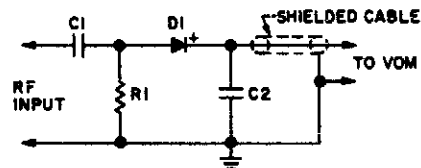


Fig. 67-5

#### Circuit Notes

This probe makes possible relative measurements of rf voltages to 200 MHz on a 20,000 ohms-per-volt multimeter. Rf voltage must not exceed the breakdown rating of the 1N4149—approximately 100 V.

### 100 K MEGOHM DC PROBE

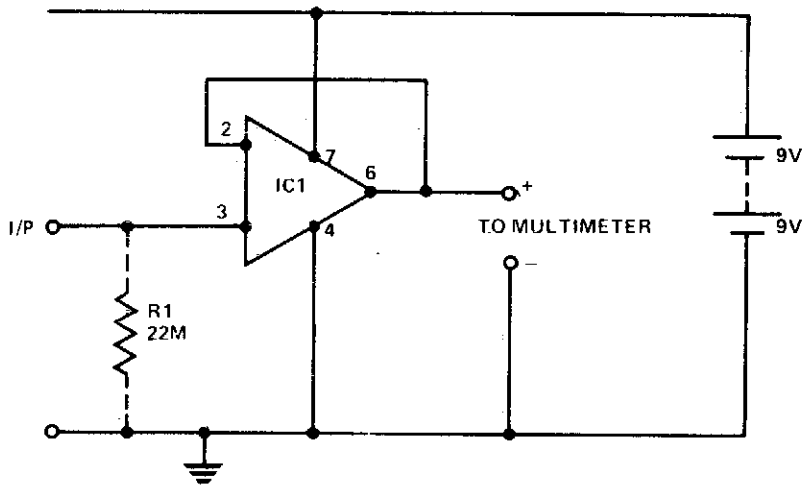


Fig. 67-6

#### Circuit Notes

A 741 op amp is used with 100% ac and dc feedback to provide a typical input impedance of  $10^{11}$  ohm and unity gain. To avoid hum and rf pickup the input leads should be kept as short as possible and the circuit should be mounted in a small grounded case. Output leads may be

long since the output impedance of the circuit is a fraction of an ohm. With no input the output level is indeterminate. Including R1 in the circuit through lowers the input impedance to 22 M.

### AUDIBLE TTL PROBE

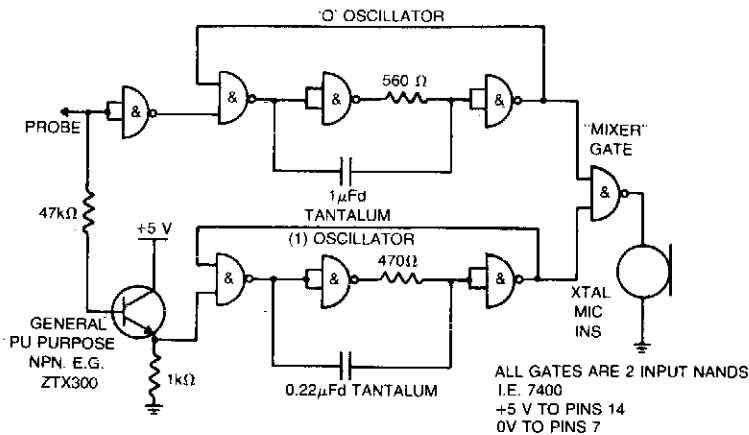


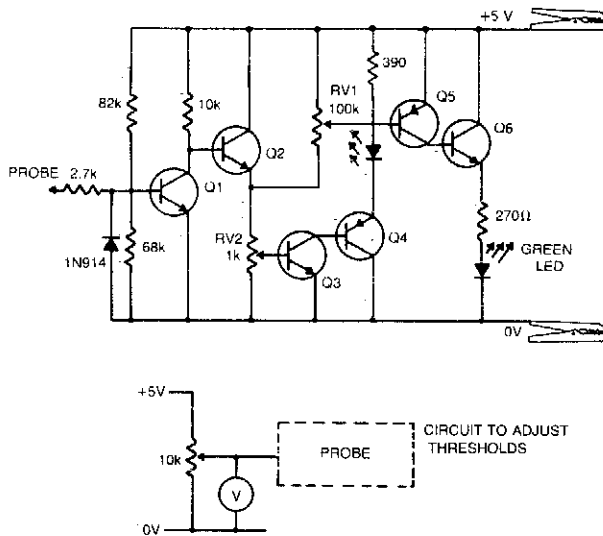
Fig. 67-7

#### Circuit Notes

When the probe is in contact with a TTL low (0) the probe emits a low note. With a TTL high (1), a high note is emitted. Power is supplied by the circuit under test.



## LOGIC PROBE



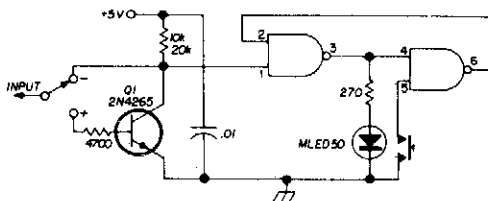
**Fig. 67-8**

### Circuit Notes

Transistors Q1 and Q2 form a buffer, providing the probe with a reasonable input impedance. Q3 and Q4 form a level detecting circuit. As the voltage across the base-emitter junction of the Q3 rises above 0.6 V the transistor turns on thus turning on Q4 and lighting the red (high) LED. Q5 and Q6 perform the same func-

tion but for the green (low) LED. Q1, Q4, Q5 are all PNP general purpose silicon transistors (BC178 etc). Q2, Q3, Q6 are all PNP general purpose silicon transistors (BC 108 etc.) The threshold low is  $\leq 0.8$  V, and the threshold high is  $\geq 2.4$  V.

## LOGIC TEST PROBE WITH MEMORY

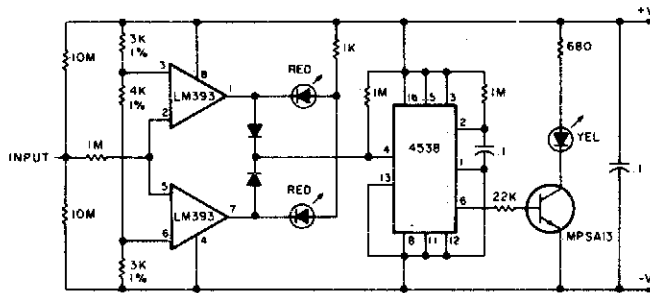


**Fig. 67-9**

### Circuit Notes

There are two switches: a memory disable switch and a pulse polarity switch. Memory disable is a push-button that resets the memory to the low state when depressed. Pulse polarity is a toggle switch that selects whether the probe responds to a high-level or pulse (+5 V) or a low-level or pulse (ground). (Use IC logic of the same type as is being tested).

## LOGIC PROBE



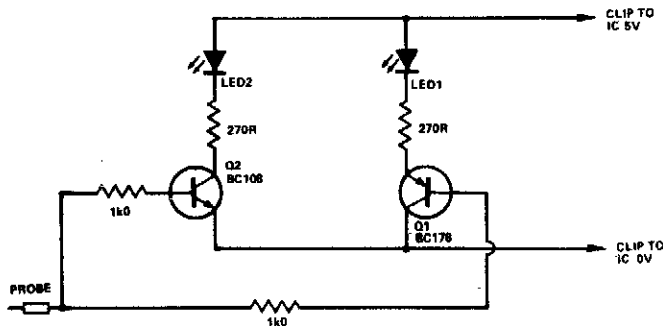
**Fig. 67-10**

### Circuit Notes

The probe indicates a high or low at 70% and 30% of  $V+$  (5 to 12 V). One section of the voltage comparator (LM393) senses  $V$  in over 70% of supply and the second section senses  $V$  in under 30%. These two sections direct-drive the appropriate LEDs. The pulse detector is a

CMOS oneshot (MC14538) triggered on the rising edge of the LM393 outputs through 1N4148 diodes. With the RC values shown, it triggered reliably at greater than 30 kHz on both sine and square waves.

## SIMPLE LOGIC PROBE

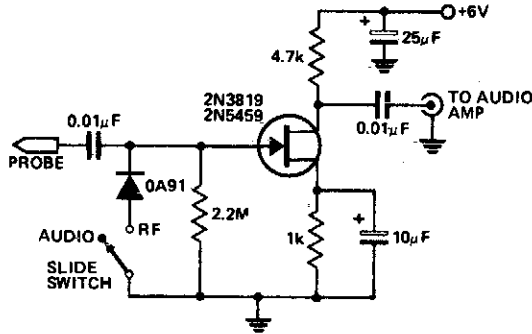


**Fig. 67-11**

### Circuit Notes

If the probe is connected to logic 0, Q1 will be turned on lighting D1. At logic 1, Q2 will be turned on lighting D2. For Q1 and Q2 any NPN or PNP transistors will do. Similarly, D1 and D2 can be any LEDs.

### AUDIO-RF SIGNAL TRACER PROBE



#### Circuit Notes

This economical signal tracer is useful for servicing and alignment work in receivers and low power transmitters. When switched to RF, the modulation on any signal is detected by the diode and amplified by the FET. A twin-core shielded lead can be used to connect the probe to an amplifier and to feed 6 volts to it.

Fig. 67-12

### TTL LOGIC TESTER

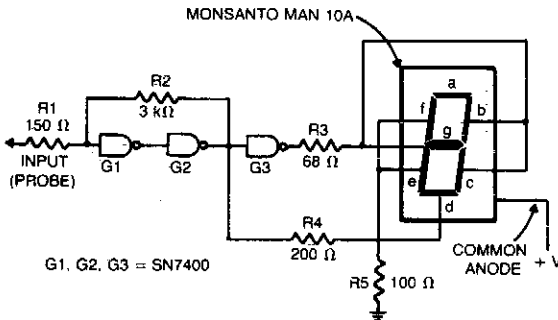


Fig. 67-13

#### Circuit Notes

Gates G1 and G2 together with resistors R1 and R2 form a simple voltage monitor that has a trip point of 1.4 volts. Gate G3 is simply an inverter. The display section of the tester consists of a common anode alphanumeric LED

and current-limiting resistors. It indicates whether the input voltage is above or below 1.4 V, and displays a H or a L (for high or low logic-level) respectively.

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## Pulse Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Pulse Generator

Single Op Amp Oscillator

Programmable Pulse Generator

Unijunction Transistor Pulse Generators

Pulse Generator

Pulse Generator

Free-Running Oscillator

Pulse Generator with 25% Duty Cycle

Pulse Generator

555 Timer Oscillator

Versatile Two-Phase Pulse Generator

## PULSE GENERATOR

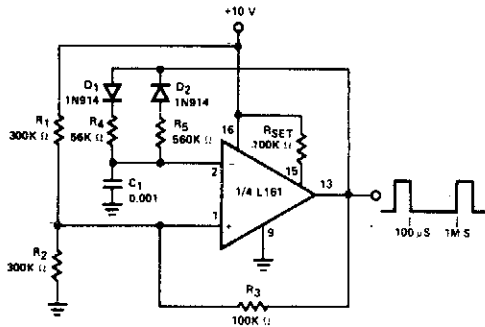


Fig. 68-1

### Circuit Notes

The duty cycle of the output pulse is equal to  $R4/(R4 + R5) \times 100\%$ . For duty cycles of less than 50%, D1 can be eliminated and R2 raised according to the following formula:

$$R4(\text{actual}) = \frac{R5 \times R4(\text{eff})}{R5 - R4(\text{eff})}$$

R4(eff) is the effective value of R4 in the circuit and R4(actual) is the actual value used; R4(actual) will always be larger than R4(eff).

## SINGLE OP AMP OSCILLATOR

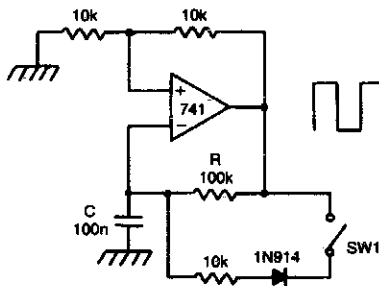


Fig. 68-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit has a Schmitt trigger and integrator built around one op amp. Timing is controlled by the RC network. Voltage at the inverting input follows the RC charging exponential within the upper and lower hysteresis levels. By closing the switch SW1, the discharge time of the capacitor becomes ten times as fast as the rise time. Thus a square wave with an 10:1 mark space ratio is generated.

## PROGRAMMABLE PULSE GENERATOR

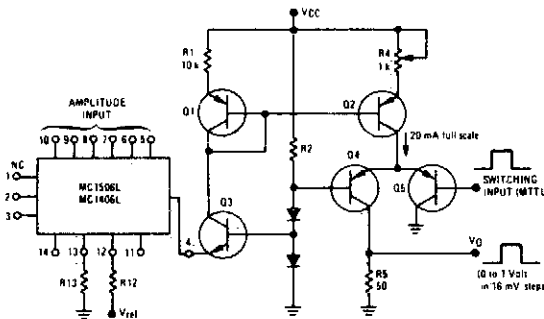


Fig. 68-3

### Circuit Notes

Fast rise and fall times require the use of high speed switching transistors for the differential pair, Q4 and Q5. Linear ramps and sine waves may be generated by the appropriate reference input.

## UNIJUNCTION TRANSISTOR PULSE GENERATORS

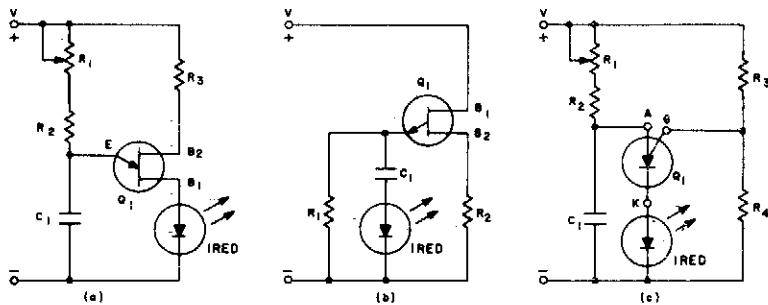


Fig. 68-4

(a) Pulsar With Unijunction Transistor

(b) Pulsar With Complementary Unijunction Transistor

(c) Pulsar With Programmable Unijunction Transistor

## PULSE GENERATOR

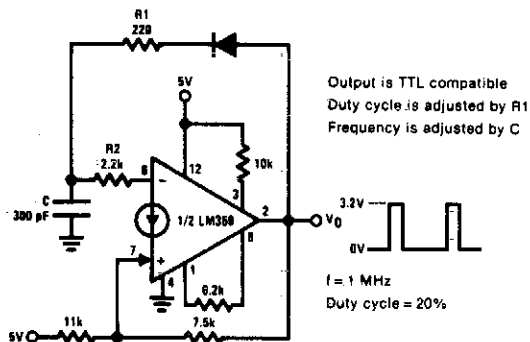


Fig. 68-5

## PULSE GENERATOR

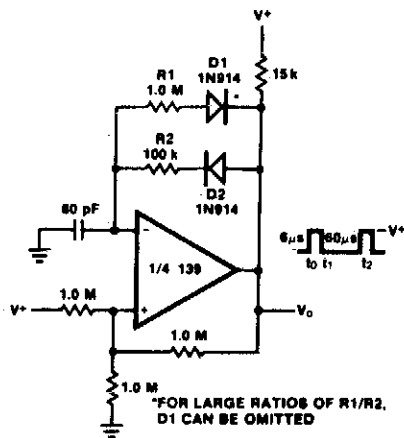


Fig. 68-6

### FREE-RUNNING OSCILLATOR

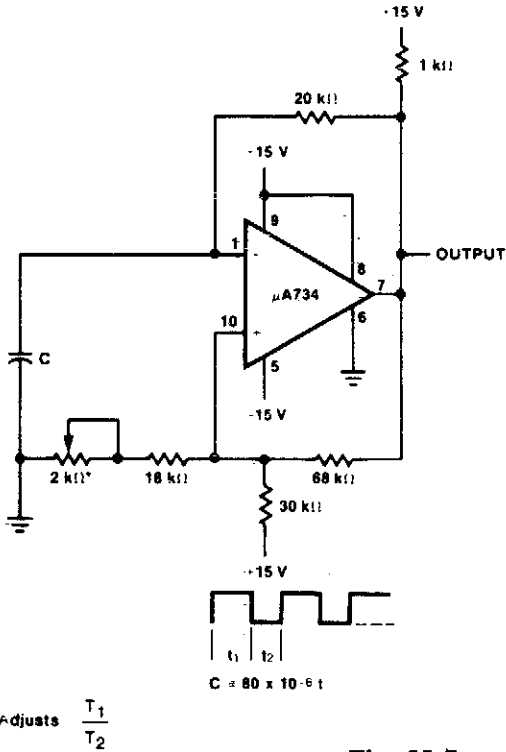


Fig. 68-7

### PULSE GENERATOR

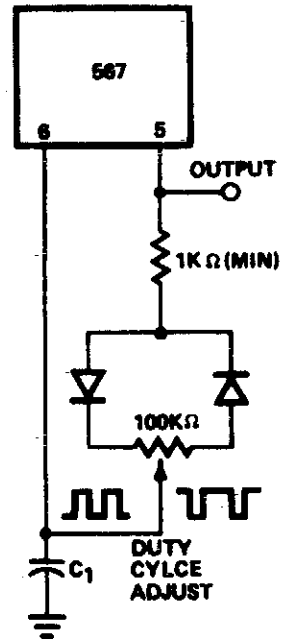


Fig. 68-9

### PULSE GENERATOR WITH 25% DUTY CYCLE

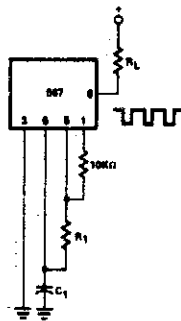
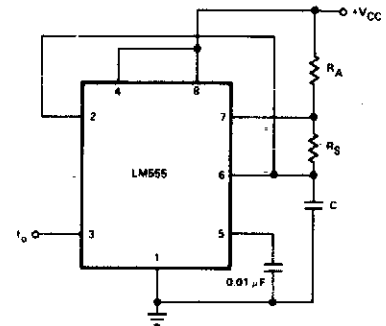


Fig. 68-8

### 555 TIMER OSCILLATOR

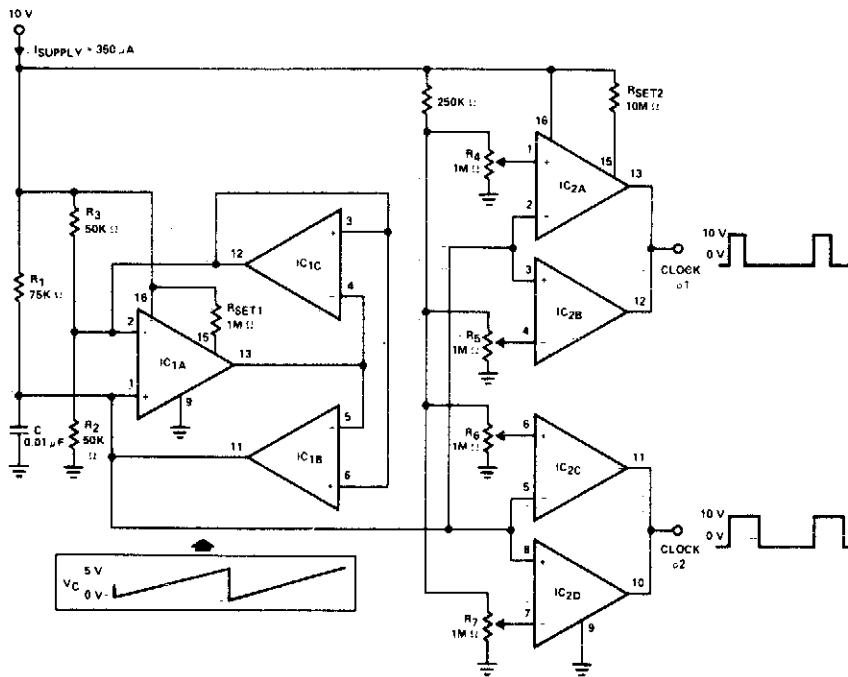
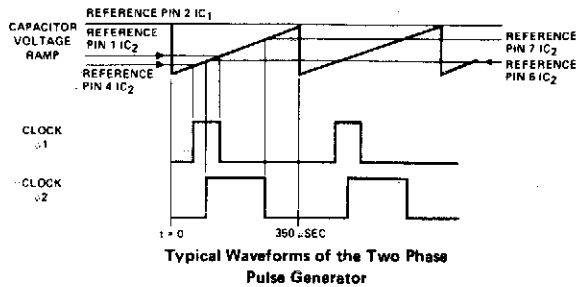


$$f = \frac{1.44}{(R_A + 2 R_B) C} \quad \text{duty cycle} = \frac{R_B}{R_A + 2 R_B}$$

a.  $f = 120 \text{ kHz}$ ,  $C = 1200 \text{ pF}$ ,  $R_A = R_B = 10 \text{ k} \Omega$

Fig. 68-10

## VERSATILE TWO-PHASE PULSE GENERATOR



**Fig. 68-11**

### Circuit Notes

Two-phase clock generator uses two L161s to generate pulses of adjustable widths and phase relationships. Ramp generator feeds two variable window comparators formed by IC<sub>2A</sub>-IC<sub>2B</sub> and IC<sub>2C</sub>-IC<sub>2D</sub> respectively.



# 69

## Radiation Detectors

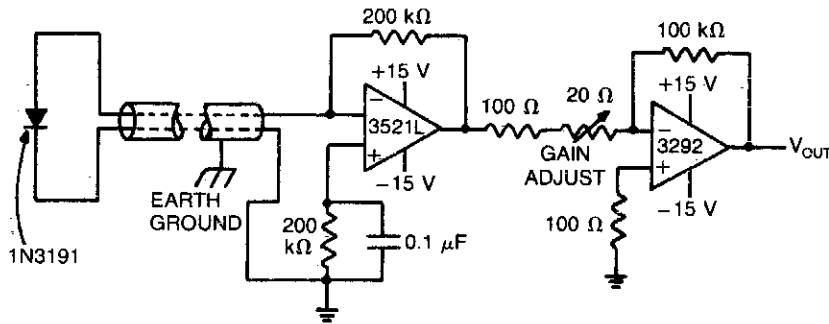
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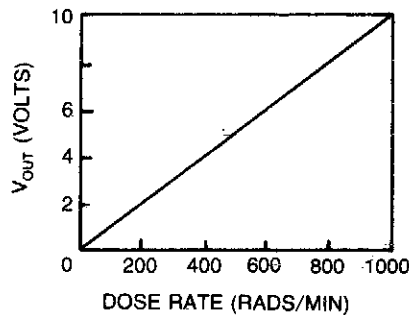
Dosage-Rate Meter  
Wideband Radiation Monitor  
Gamma Ray Pulse Integrator

Sensitive Geiger Counter  
Geiger Counter  
Nuclear Particle Detector

## DOSAGE-RATE METER



**Fig. 69-1**

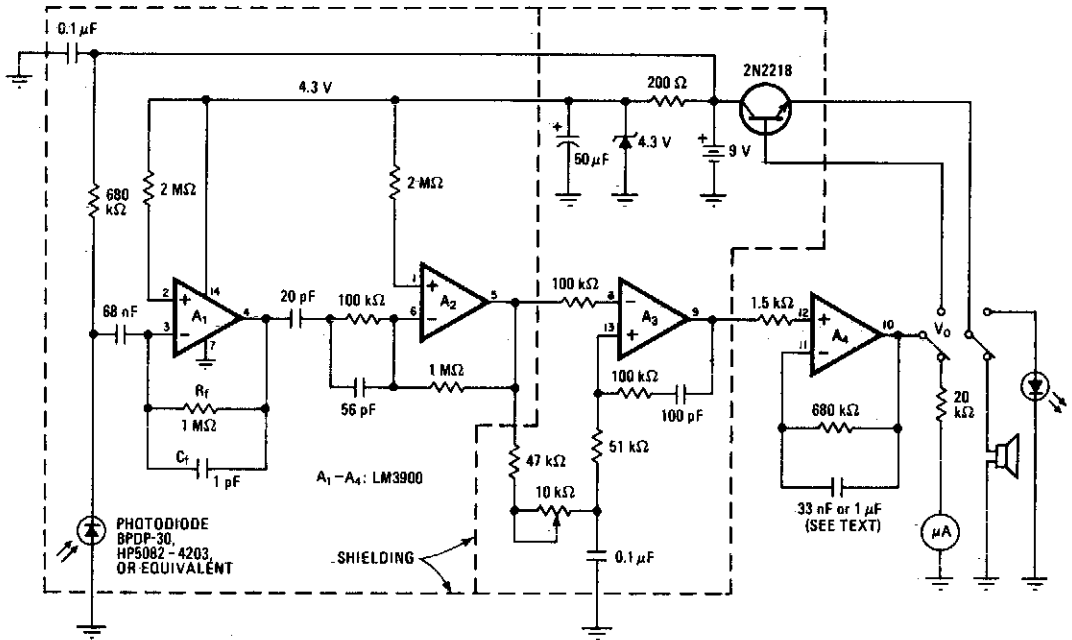


### Circuit Notes

A commercial diode is the detector in this highly accurate radiation monitor. The lowdrift FET-input op amp amplifies detector current to a usable level, and the chopper-stabilized amplifier then provides additional gain while minimizing any error caused by ambient-temperature fluctuations. Gain is adjusted so

that the output voltage is 1% of incident radiation intensity in rads per minute; therefore voltage can be displayed on 3½ digit DVM for direct reading of dosage rate. Output voltage from the monitor is linearly proportional to radiation intensity at the diode.

## WIDEBAND RADIATION MONITOR



**Fig. 69-2**

### Circuit Notes

A sensitive radiation monitor may be simply constructed with a large-area photodiode and a quad operational amplifier. Replacing the glass window of the diode with Mylar foil will shield it from light and infrared energy, enabling it to respond to such nuclear radiation as alpha and beta particles and gamma rays. A4

integrates the output of A3 in order to drive a microammeter. A 1 microfarad capacitor is used in the integrating network. A lower value, say, 33 nanofarads, will make it possible to drive a small loudspeaker (50-hertz output signal) or light-emitting diode.

### GAMMA RAY PULSE INTEGRATOR

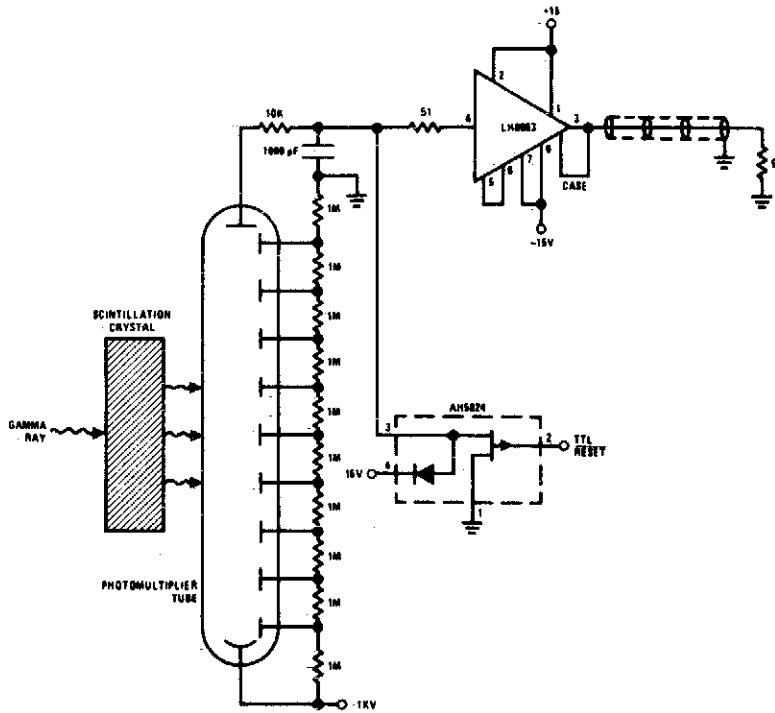


Fig. 69-3

### SENSITIVE GEIGER COUNTER

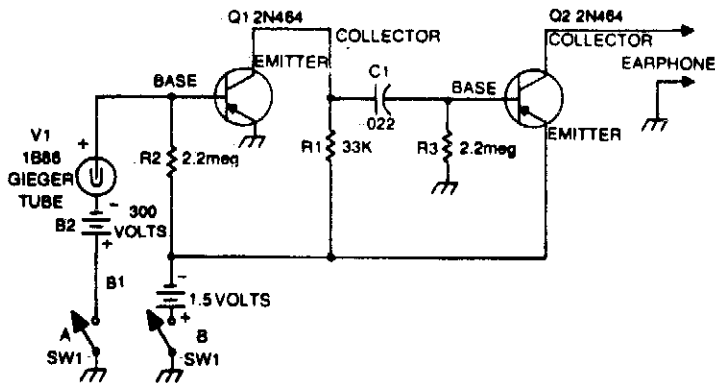


Fig. 69-4

## GEIGER COUNTER

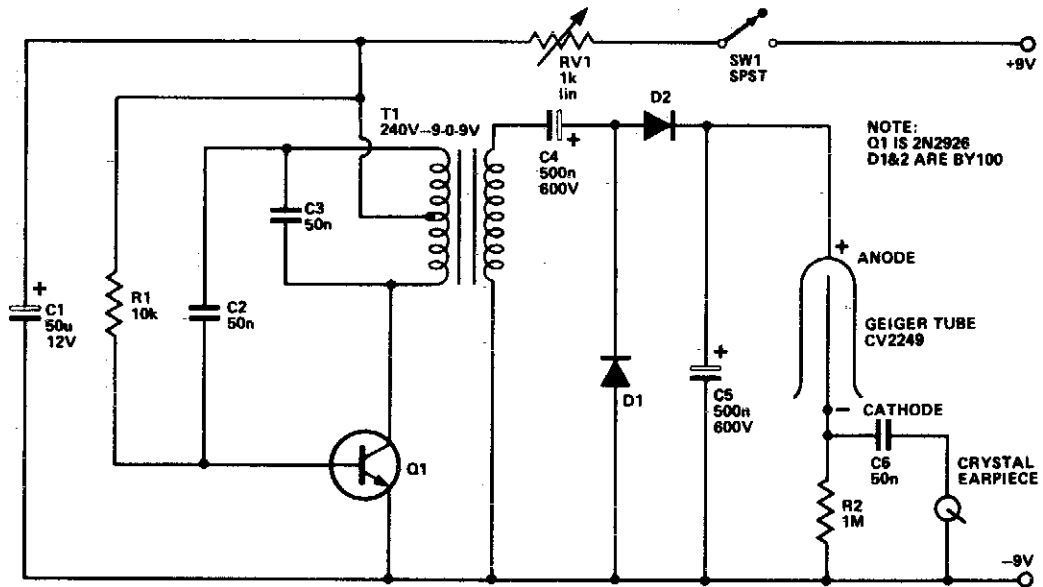


Fig. 69-5

### Circuit Notes

The Geiger tube needs a high voltage supply which consists of Q1 and its associated components. The transformer is connected in reverse; the secondary is connected as a Hartley oscillator, and R1 provides base bias.

D1, D2, C4, and C5 comprise a voltage doubler. RV1 should be set so that each click heard is nice and clean because over a certain voltage range all that will be heard is a continuous buzz.

## NUCLEAR PARTICLE DETECTOR

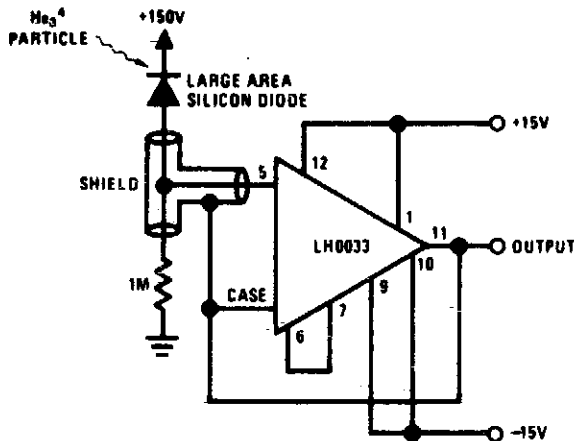


Fig. 69-6

# 70

## Ramp Generators

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Staircase Generator

Linear Voltage Ramp Generator

Precision Ramp Generator

Ramp Generator with Variable Reset Level

## STAIRCASE GENERATOR

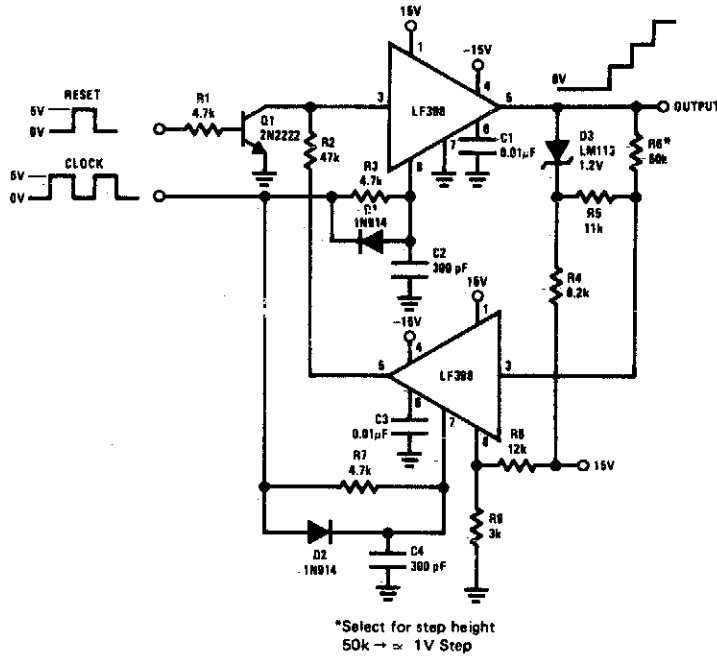


Fig. 70-1

## LINEAR VOLTAGE RAMP GENERATOR

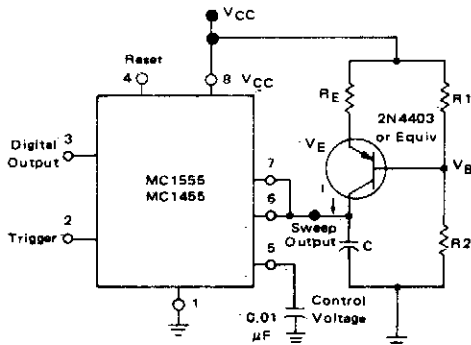


Fig. 70-2

### Circuit Notes

In the monostable mode, the resistor can be replaced by a constant current source to provide a linear ramp voltage. The capacitor still charges from 0 to  $2/3 V_{CC}$ . The linear ramp time is given by the following equation:

$$I = \frac{V_{CC} - V_B - V_{BE}}{R_E} \quad t = \frac{2}{3} \frac{V_{CC}}{I}$$

If  $V_B$  is much larger than  $V_{BE}$ , then  $t$  can be made independent of  $V_{CC}$ .

### PRECISION RAMP GENERATOR

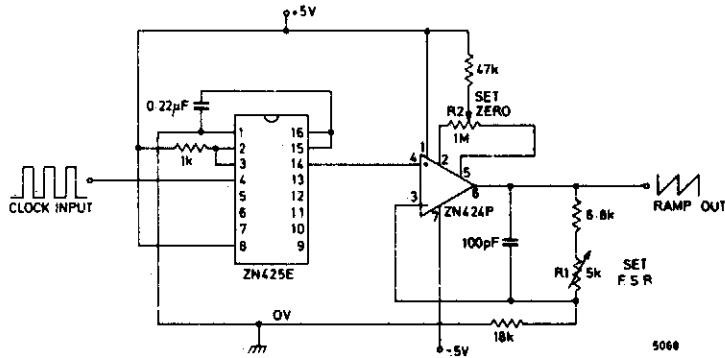


Fig. 70-3

### RAMP GENERATOR WITH VARIABLE RESET LEVEL

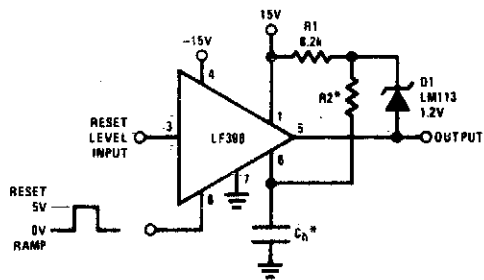


Fig. 70-4

\*Select for ramp rate  
 $R \geq 10k$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T} = \frac{1.2V}{(R2)(C_n)}$$



# 71

## Receivers

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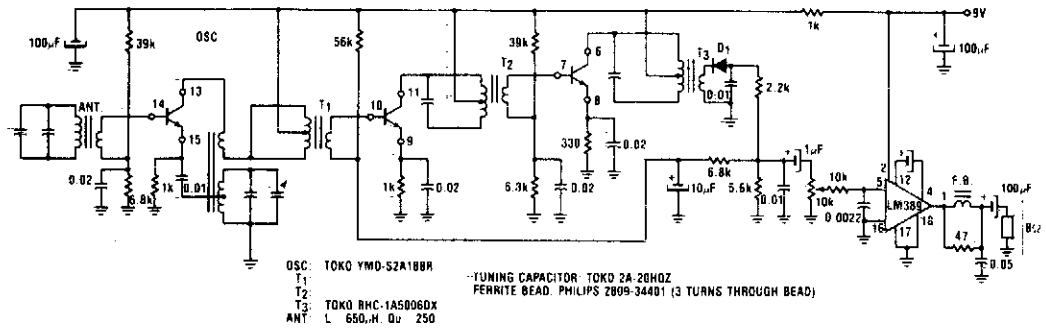
Clock Radio  
AM/FM Clock Radio  
AM Radio  
FM Stereo Demodulation System  
Analog Receiver

FM Radio  
Simple LF Converter  
CMOS Line Receiver  
Squelch Circuit for AM or FM  
VLF Converter



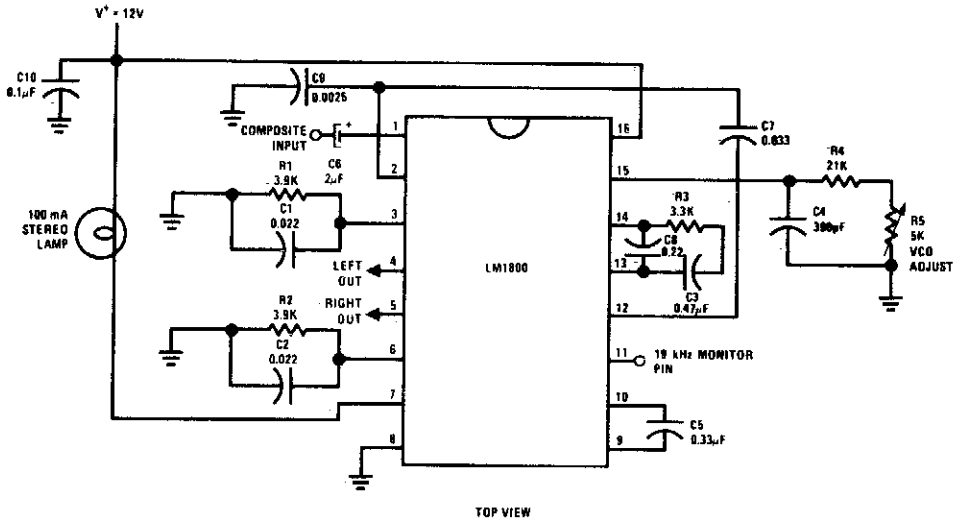


## AM RADIO



**Fig. 71-3**

## FM STEREO DEMODULATION SYSTEM



**Fig. 71-4**

## ANALOG RECEIVER (LOW TEMPERATURE DRIFT)

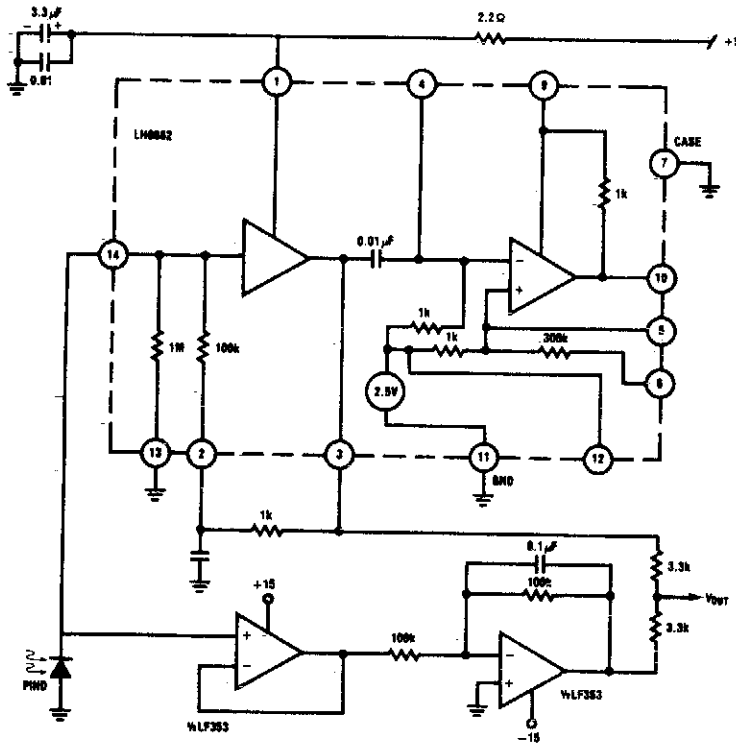


Fig. 71-5

## FM RADIO

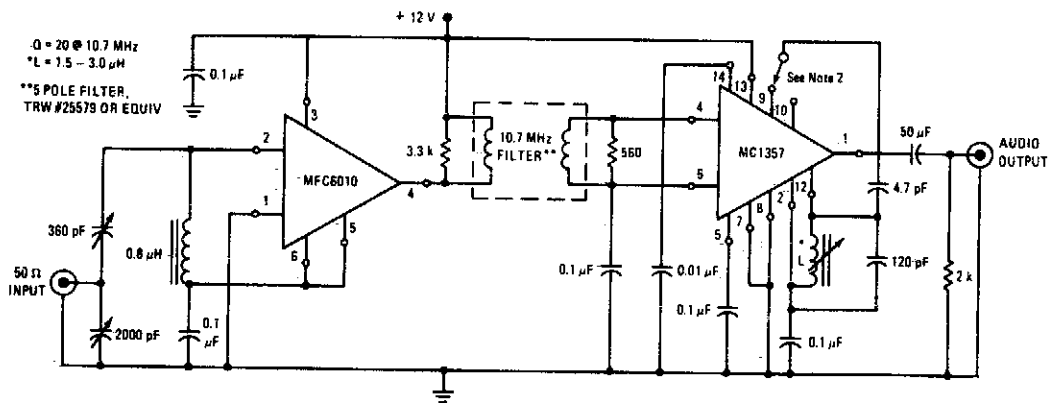
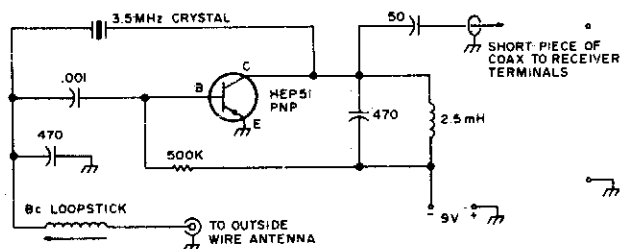


Fig. 71-6

## SIMPLE LF CONVERTER



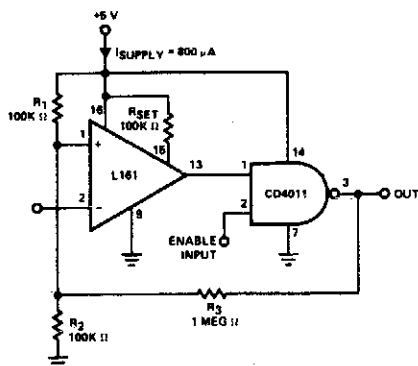
**Fig. 71-7**

### Circuit Notes

This converter allows coverage from 25 kHz up to 500 kHz. Use short coax from the converter to receiver antenna input. Tune the receiver to 3.5 MHz, peak for loudest crystal calibrator and tune your receiver higher in fre-

quency to 3.6 MHz and you're tuning the 100 kHz range. 3.7 MHz puts you at 200 kHz, 3.8 MHz equals 300 kHz, 3.9 MHz yields 500 kHz, and 4.0 MHz gives you 500 kHz.

## CMOS LINE RECEIVER

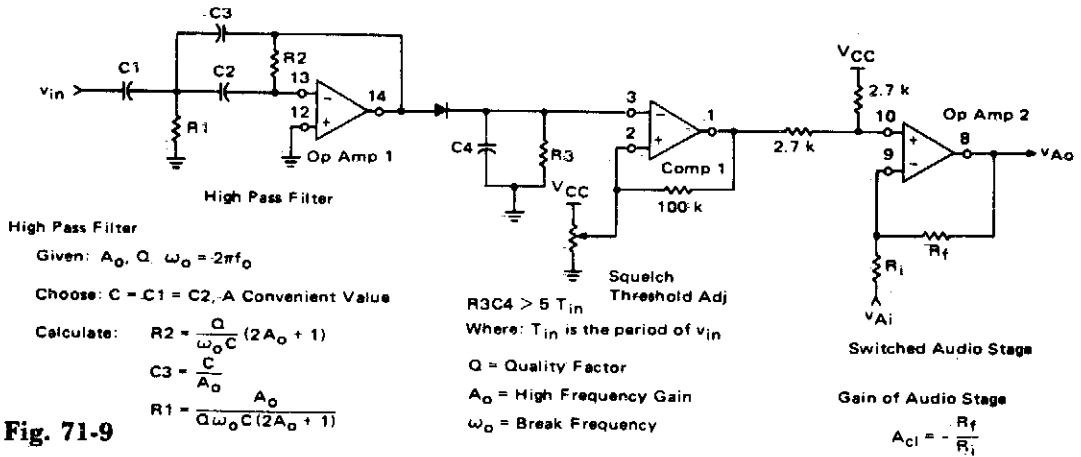


### Circuit Notes

The trip point is set half way between the supplies by R1 and R2; R3 provides over 200 mV of hysteresis to increase noise immunity. Maximum frequency of operation is about 300 kHz. If response to TTL levels is desired, change R2 to 39 K. The trip point is now centered at 1.4 V.

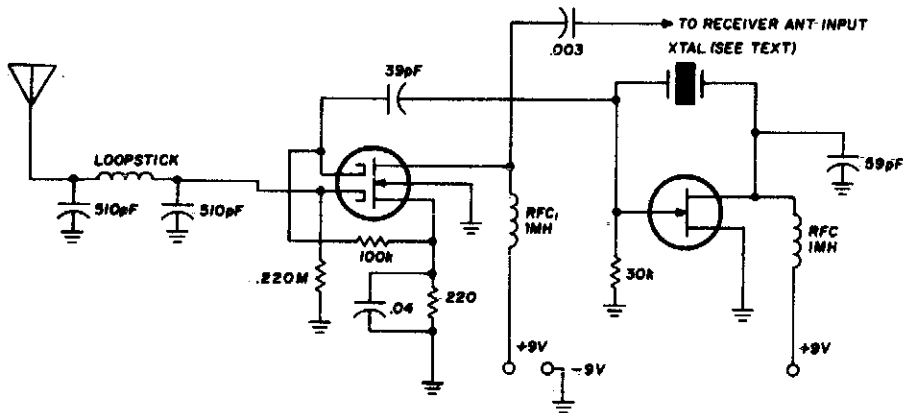
**Fig. 71-8**

## SQUELCH CIRCUIT FOR AM OR FM



**Fig. 71-9**

## VLF CONVERTER



**Fig. 71-10**

### Circuit Notes

This converter uses a low-pass filter instead of the usual tuned circuit so the only tuning required is with the receiver. The dual-gate MOSFET and FET used in the mixer and oscillator aren't critical. Any crystal having a frequency compatible with the receiver tuning range may be used. For example, with a 3500

kHz crystal, 3500 kHz on the receiver dial corresponds to zero kHz; 3600 to 100 kHz; 3700 to 200 kHz, etc. (At 3500 kHz on the receiver all one can hear is the converter oscillator, and VLF signals start to come in about 20 kHz higher.)

# 72

## Resistance and Continuity Measuring Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Linear Scale Ohmmeter  
Ohmmeter

Low Parts Count Ratiometric Resistance  
Measurement

Audio Continuity Tester

Low Resistance Continuity Tester

“Buzz Box” Continuity and Coil Checker

Linear Scale Ohmmeter

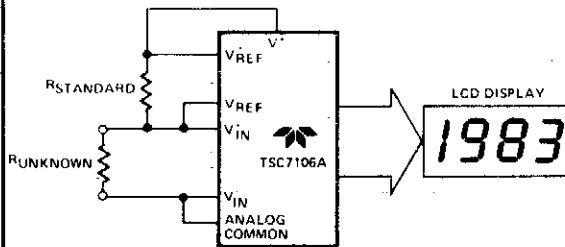
Bridge Circuit





## LOW PARTS COUNT RATIO-METRIC RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT

### Circuit Notes



The unknown resistance is put in series with a known standard and a current passed through the pair. The voltage developed across the unknown is applied to the input and the voltage across the known resistor applied to the reference input. If the unknown equals the standard, the display will read 1000. The displayed reading can be determined from the following expression:

$$\text{Displayed Reading} = \frac{R_{\text{unknown}}}{R_{\text{standard}}} \times 1000$$

The display will overrange for  $R_{\text{unknown}} \geq 2 \times R_{\text{standard}}$ .

Fig. 72-3

## AUDIO CONTINUITY TESTER

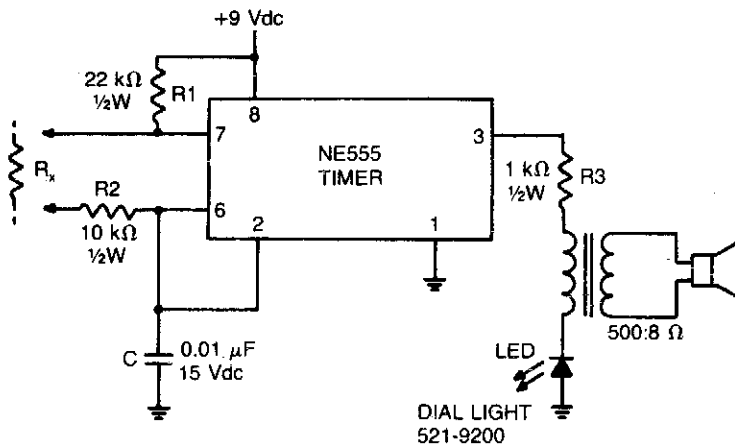
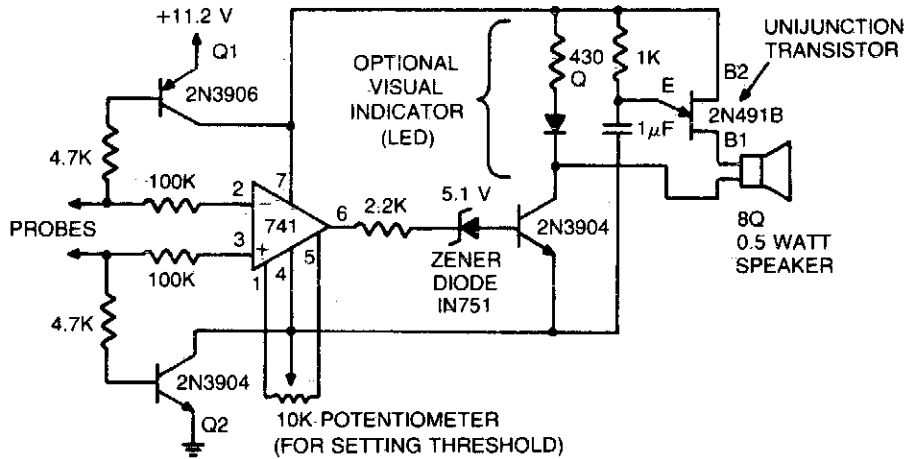


Fig. 72-4

### Circuit Notes

This low-current audio continuity tester indicates the unknown resistance value by the frequency of audio tone. A high tone indicates a low resistance, and a tone of a few pulses per second indicates a resistance as high as 30 megohms.

## LOW RESISTANCE CONTINUITY TESTER



**Fig. 72-5**

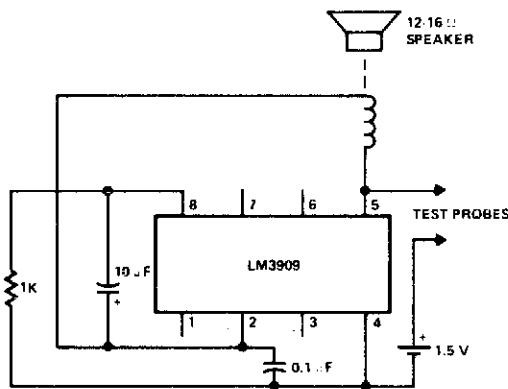
NOTE: ALL RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS  
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

### Circuit Notes

This tester can be used to check IC printed circuit boards. Two 4.7 K resistors and the transistors connected to them prevent current flow through the operational amplifier until the probe circuit is completed. The zener

diode in series with the operational amplifier output prevents audio oscillator operation until the positive output of the operational amplifier has sufficient amplitude.

## "BUZZ BOX" CONTINUITY AND COIL CHECKER

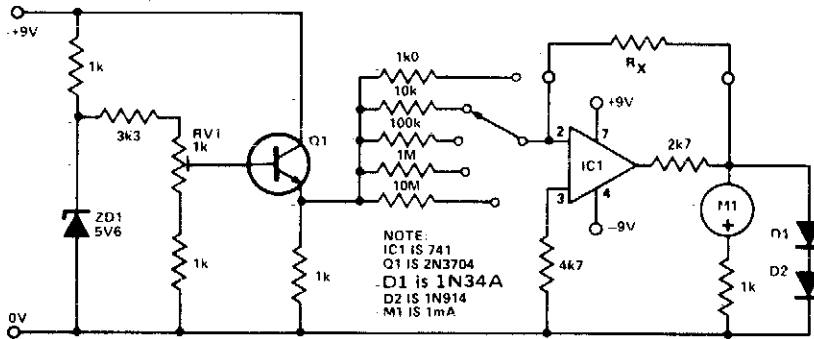


**Fig. 72-6**

### Circuit Notes

Differences between shorts, coils, and a few ohms of resistance can be heard.

## LINEAR SCALE OHMMETER



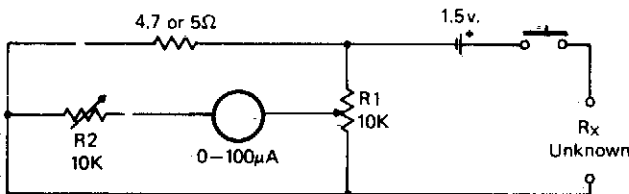
**Fig. 72-7**

### Circuit Notes

One preset resistor is used for all the ranges, simplifying the setting up. Diode clamping is included to prevent damage to the meter if the unknown resistor is higher than the range selected. When the meter has been as-

sembled, a 10 K precision resistor is placed in the test position,  $R_x$ ; the meter is set to the 10 K range and RV1 is adjusted for full scale deflection.

## BRIDGE CIRCUIT



**Fig. 72-8**

### Circuit Notes

For measurement of resistances from about 5 ohms down to about 1/10 ohm.

## RF Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

100 W PEP 420-450 MHz Push-Pull Linear Amplifier

140 W (PEP) Amateur Radio Linear Amplifier (230 MHz)

160 W (PEP) Broadband Linear Amplifier

80 W (PEP) Broadband/Linear Amplifier Single-Device, 80 W, 50 Ohm VHF Amplifier

600 W RF Power Amplifier

Wideband UHF Amplifier with High-Performance FETs

10 MHz Coaxial Line Driver

VHF Preamplifier

Shortwave FET Booster

Low-Noise 30 MHz Preamplifier

Low-Noise Broadband Amplifier

Two-Meter 10 Watt Power Amplifier

Two-Stage 60 MHz IF Amplifier

28 V Wideband Amplifier

200 MHz Cascode Amplifier

135-175 MHz Amplifier

200 MHz Cascode Amplifier

100 MHz and 400 MHz Neutralized Common Source Amplifier

Ultra High Frequency Amplifier

UHF Amplifier Inverting Gain of 2 with Lag-Lead Compensation

Transistorized Q-Multiplier for Use with IFs in the 1400 kHz Range

60 MHz Amplifier

30 MHz Amplifier

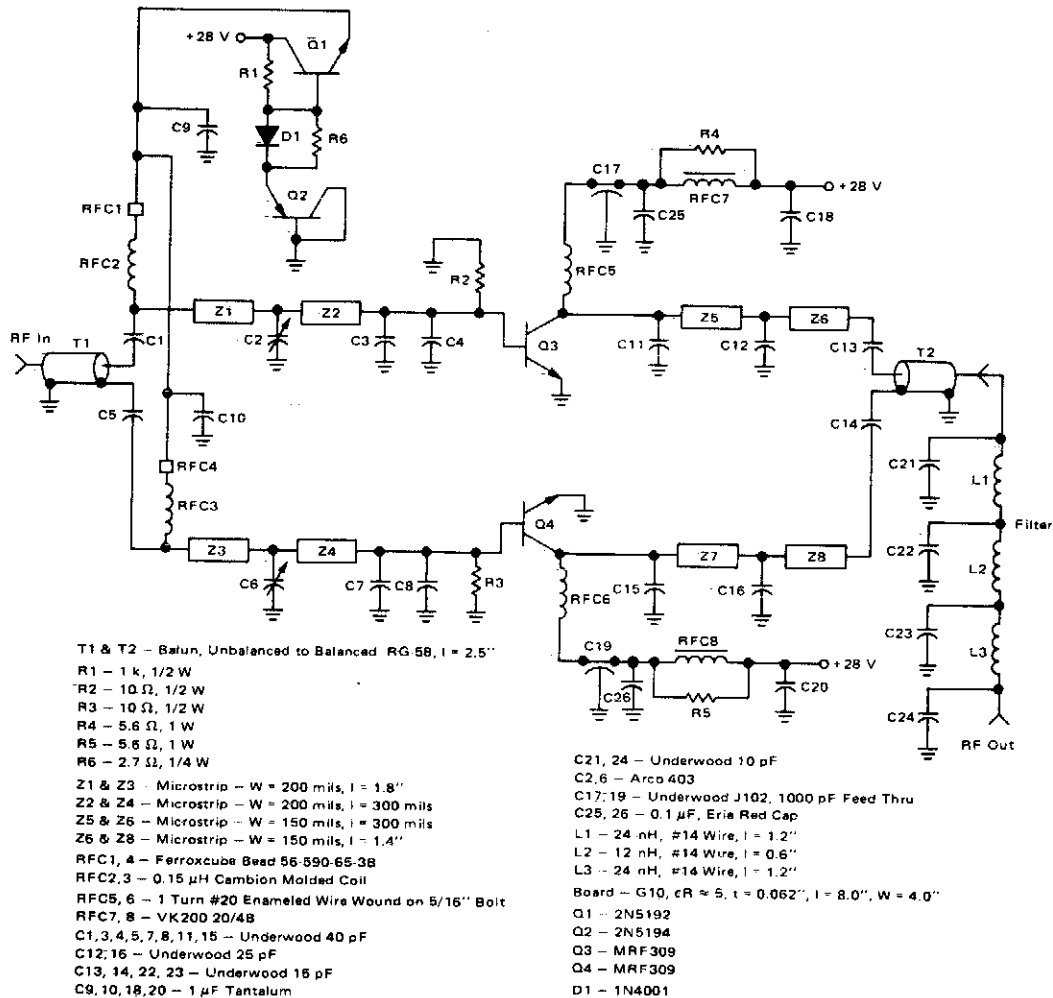
Two Meter Amplifier, 5 W Output

80 MHz Cascode Amplifier

200 MHz Neutralized Common Source Amplifier

450 MHz Common-Source Amplifier

## 100 W PEP 420-450 MHz PUSH-PULL LINEAR AMPLIFIER



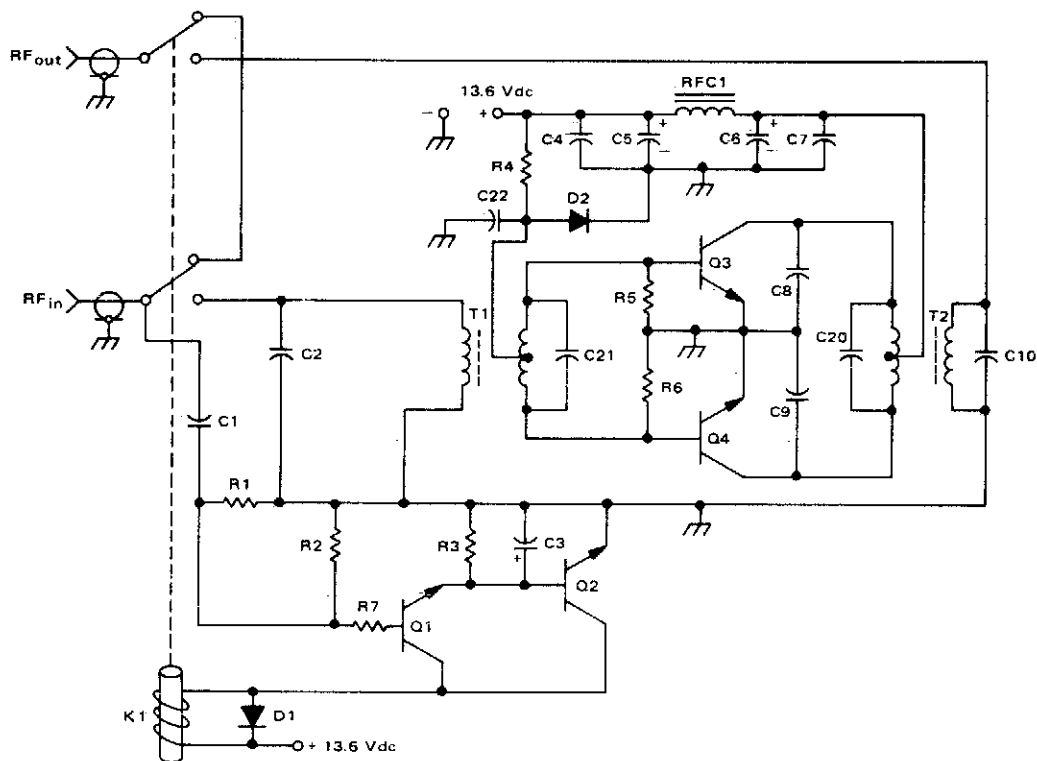
**Fig. 73-1**

### Circuit Notes

This 100 watt linear amplifier may be constructed using two MRF309 transistors in push-pull, requiring only 16 watts drive from 420 to 450 MHz. Operating from a 28 volt supply, eight dB of power gain is achieved along with excellent practical performance

featuring: maximum input SWR of 2:1, harmonic suppression more than -63 dB below 100 watts output, efficiency greater than 40%, circuit stability with a 3:1 collector mismatch at all phase angles.

## 140 W (PEP) AMATEUR RADIO LINEAR AMPLIFIER (2-30 MHz)



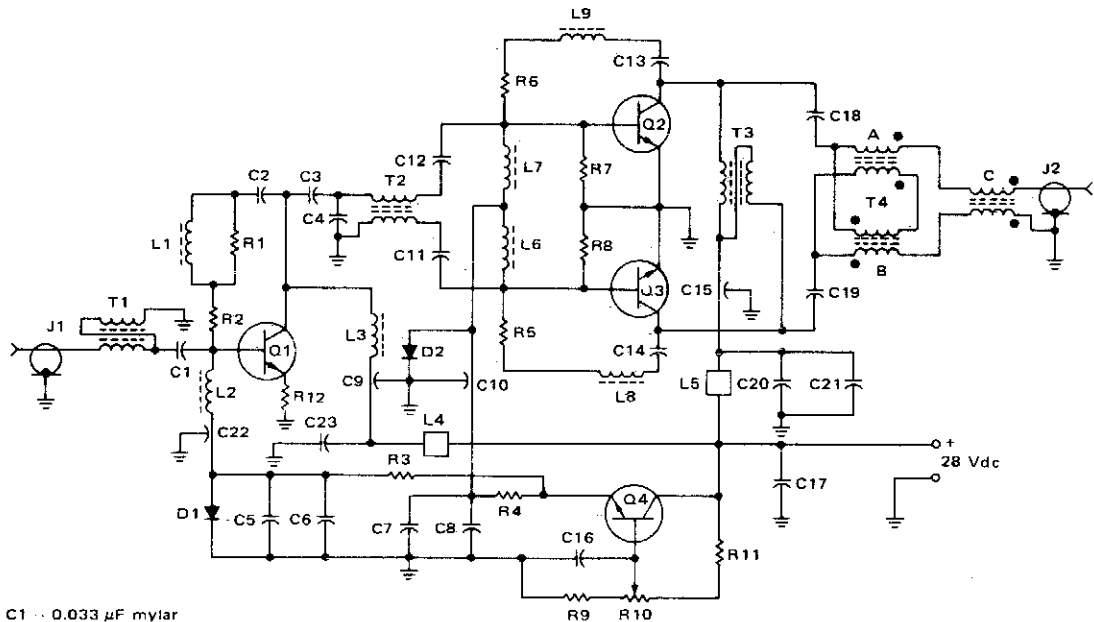
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| C1 = 33 pF Dipped Mica  | R7 = 100 $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor                            |
| C2 = 18 pF Dipped Mica  | RFC1 = 9 Ferroxcube Beads on #18 AWG Wire                   |
| C3 = 10 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc for AM operation,<br>100 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc for SSB operation. | D1 = 1N4001   |
| C4 = .1 $\mu$ F Erie  | D2 = 1N4997   |
| C5 = 10 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc Electrolytic   | Q1, Q2 = 2N4401   |
| C6 = 1 $\mu$ F Tantalum   | Q3, 4 = MRF454  |
| C7 = .001 $\mu$ F Erie Disc   | T1, T2 = 16:1 Transformers                                  |
| C8, 9 = 330 pF Dipped Mica  | C20 = 910 pF Dipped Mica                                    |
| R1 = 100 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor  | C21 = 1100 pF Dipped Mica                                   |
| R2, 3 = 10 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor  | C10 = 24 pF Dipped Mica                                     |
| R4 = 33 $\Omega$ 5 W Wire Wound Resistor  | C22 = 500 $\mu$ F 3 Vdc Electrolytic                        |
| R5, 6 = 10 $\Omega$ 1/2 W Resistor  | K1 = Potter & Brumfield<br>KT11A 12 Vdc Relay or Equivalent |

**Fig. 73-2**

### Circuit Notes

This inexpensive, easy to construct amplifier uses two MRF454 devices. Specified at 80 W power output with 5 W of input drive, 30 MHz, and 12.5 Vdc.

## 160 W (PEP) BROADBAND LINEAR AMPLIFIER



- C1 - 0.033  $\mu$ F mylar  
 C2, C3 - 0.01  $\mu$ F mylar  
 C4 - 620 pF dipped mica  
 C5, C7, C16 - 0.1  $\mu$ F ceramic  
 C6 - 100  $\mu$ F/15 V electrolytic  
 C8 - 500  $\mu$ F/6 V electrolytic  
 C9, C10, C15, C22 - 1000 pF feed through  
 C11, C12 - 0.01  $\mu$ F  
 C13, C14 - 0.015  $\mu$ F mylar  
 C17 - 10  $\mu$ F/35 V electrolytic  
 C18, C19, C21 - Two 0.068  $\mu$ F mylars in parallel  
 C20 - 0.1  $\mu$ F disc ceramic  
 C23 - 0.1  $\mu$ F disc ceramic  
 R1 - 220  $\Omega$ , 1/4 W carbon  
 R2 - 47  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon  
 R3 - 820  $\Omega$ , 1 W wire W  
 R4 - 35  $\Omega$ , 5 W wire W  
 R5, R6 - Two 150  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon in parallel  
 R7, R8 - 10  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon  
 R9, R11 - 1 k, 1/2 W carbon  
 R10 - 1 k, 1/2 W potentiometer  
 R12 - 0.85  $\Omega$  (6 5.1  $\Omega$  or 4 3.3  $\Omega$  1/4 W resistors in parallel, divided equally between both emitter leads)

- T1 - 4:1 Transformer, 6 turns, 2 twisted pairs of #26 AWG enameled wire (8 twists per inch)  
 T2 - 1:1 Balun, 6 turns, 2 twisted pairs of #24 AWG enameled wire (6 twists per inch)  
 T3 - Collector choke, 4 turns, 2 twisted pairs of #22 AWG enameled wire (6 twists per inch)  
 T4 - 1:4 Transformer Balun, A&B - 5 turns, 2 twisted pairs of #24, C - 8 turns, 1 twisted pair of #24 AWG enameled wire (All windings 6 twists per inch). (T4 - Indiana General F624-19Q1, - All others are Indiana General F627-8Q1 ferrite toroids or equivalent.)

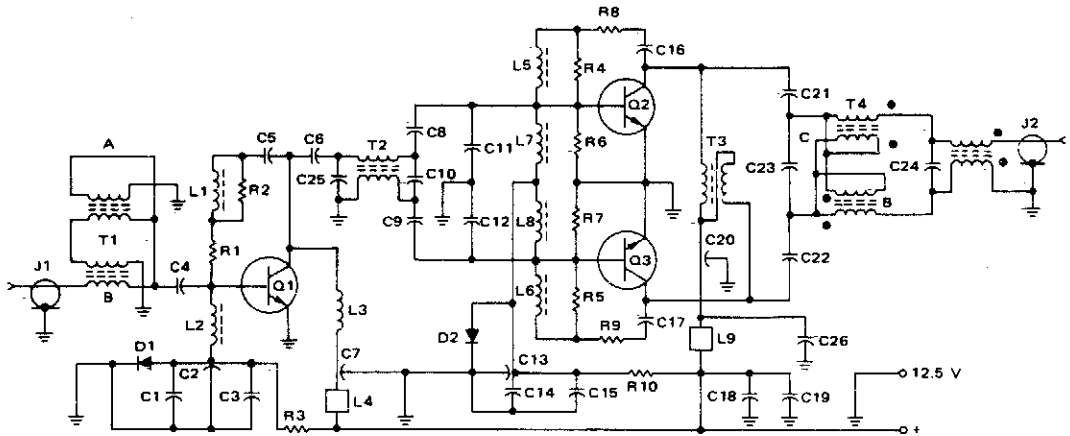
### PARTS LIST

- |                                       |                         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| L1 - .33 $\mu$ H, molded choke        | Q1 - 2N6370             |
| L2, L6, L7 - 10 $\mu$ H, molded choke | Q2, Q3 - 2N5942         |
| L3 - 1.8 $\mu$ H (Ohmite 2-144)       | Q4 - 2N5190             |
| L4, L5 - 3 ferrite beads each         | D1 - 1N4001             |
| L8, L9 - .22 $\mu$ H, molded choke    | D2 - 1N4997             |
|                                       | J1, J2 - BNC connectors |

**Fig. 73-3**



## 80 W (PEP) BROADBAND/LINEAR AMPLIFIER



C1, C14, C18 - 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  ceramic.  
 C2, C7, C13, C20 - 0.001  $\mu\text{F}$  feed through.  
 C3 - 100  $\mu\text{F}/3\text{V}$ .  
 C4, C6 - 0.033  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar  
 C5 - 0.0047  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar.  
 C8, C9 - 0.015 and 0.033  $\mu\text{F}$  mylars in parallel.  
 C10 - 470 pF mica.  
 C11, C12 - 560 pF mica.  
 C15 - 1000  $\mu\text{F}/3\text{V}$   
 C16, C17 - 0.015  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar  
 C19 - 10 pF 15 V  
 C21, C22 - two 0.068  $\mu\text{F}$  mylars in parallel.  
 C23 - 330 pF mica  
 C24 - 39 pF mica  
 C25 - 680 pF mica  
 C26 - .01  $\mu\text{F}$  ceramic

R1, R6, R7 - 10  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon.  
 R2 - 51  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon  
 R3 - 240  $\Omega$ , 1 wire W  
 R4, R5 - 18  $\Omega$ , 1 W carbon  
 R8, R9 - 27  $\Omega$ , 2 W carbon  
 R10 - 33  $\Omega$ , 6 W wire W

L1 - 0.22  $\mu\text{H}$  molded choke  
 L2, L7, L8 - 10  $\mu\text{H}$  molded choke  
 L5, L6 - 0.15  $\mu\text{H}$   
 L3 - 25 t, #26 wire, wound on a 100  $\Omega$ , 2 W resistor. (1.0  $\mu\text{H}$ )  
 L4, L9 - 3 ferrite beads each.

T1 - 2 twisted pairs of #26 wire, 8 twists per inch. A = 4 turns, B = 8 turns. Core - Stack pole 57-9322-11, Indiana General F627-8Q1 or equivalent

T2 - 2 twisted pairs of #24 wire, 8 twists per inch, 6 turns. (Core as above.)

T3 - 2 twisted pairs of #20 wire, 6 twists per inch, 4 turns. (Core as above.)

T4 - A and B = 2 twisted pairs of #24 wire, 8 twists per inch. 5 turns each. C = 1 twisted pair of #24 wire, 8 turns. Core - Stack pole 57-9074-11, Indiana General F624-19Q1 or equivalent.

Q1 - 2N6367

Q2, Q3 - 2N6368

D1 - 1N4001

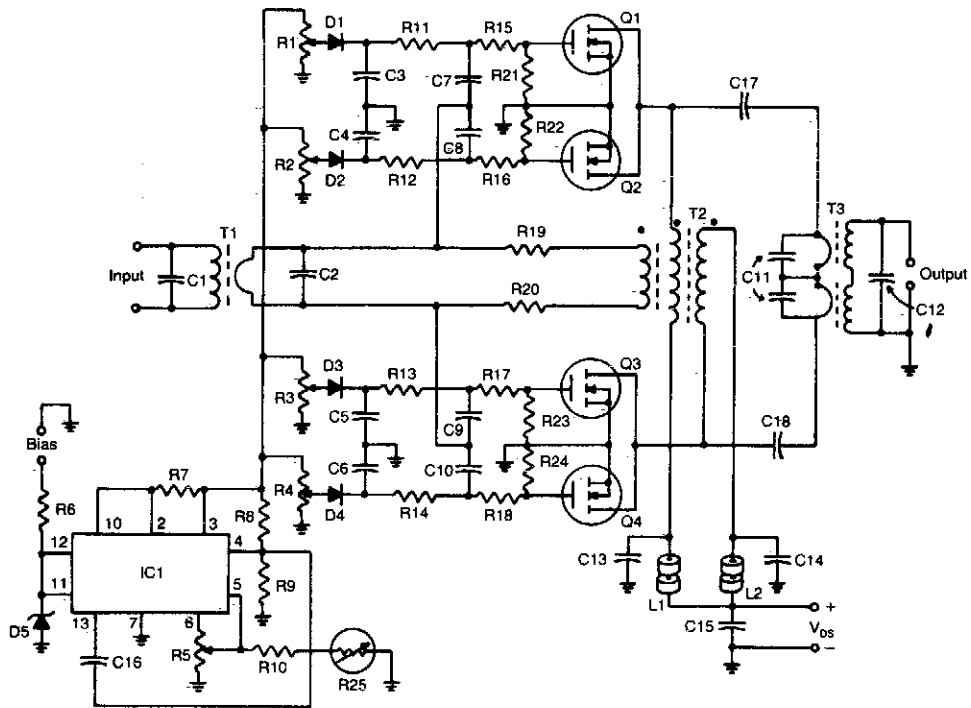
D2 - 1N4997

J1, J2 - BNC connectors

**Fig. 73-4**



## 600 W RF POWER AMPLIFIER



R1-R5—10 k $\Omega$  trimpot  
 R6—1.0 k $\Omega$ /1.0W  
 R7—10  $\Omega$   
 R8—2.0 k $\Omega$   
 R9,R21-R24—10 k $\Omega$   
 R10—8.2 k $\Omega$   
 R11-R14—100  $\Omega$   
 R15-R18—1.0  $\Omega$   
 R19-R20—10  $\Omega$ /2.0 W Carbon  
 R25—thermistor, 10 k $\Omega$  (25 $^{\circ}$ C), 2.5 k $\Omega$  (75 $^{\circ}$ C)  
 C1—not used  
 C2—820 pF ceramic chip  
 C3-C6, C13,C14—0.1  $\mu$ F ceramic  
 C7-C10—0.1  $\mu$ F ceramic chip  
 C11—1200 pF each, 680 pF mica in parallel with an Arco 469 variable or three or more smaller value mica capacitors in parallel

C12—not used  
 C15—10  $\mu$ F, 100 V electrolytic  
 C16—1000-pF ceramic  
 C17,C18—two 0.1  $\mu$ F, 100 V ceramic each, (ATC 200/823 or equivalent)  
 D1-D4—1N4148  
 D5—28 V zener, 1N5362 or equivalent  
 L1,L2—Two Fair-Rite 2673021801 ferrite beads each or equivalent 4.0  $\mu$ H  
 T1-T3—see text  
 Q1-Q4—MRF150  
 IC1—MC1723CP  
 All resistors are 0.5W carbon or metal film unless otherwise designated.

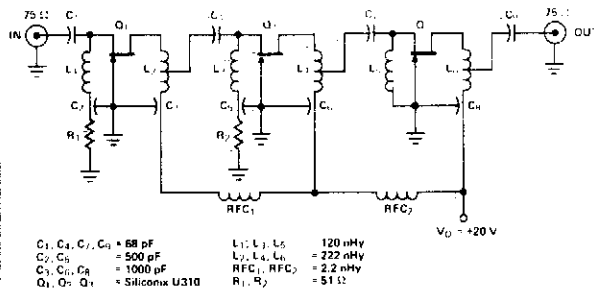
**Fig. 73-6**

### Circuit Notes

A unique push-pull parallel circuit. It uses four MRF150 RF power FETs paralleled at relatively high power levels. Supply voltages of 40 to 50 Vdc can be used, depending on

linearity requirements. The bias for each device is independently adjustable; therefore, no matching is required for the gate threshold voltages.

## WIDEBAND UHF AMPLIFIER WITH HIGH-PERFORMANCE FETs

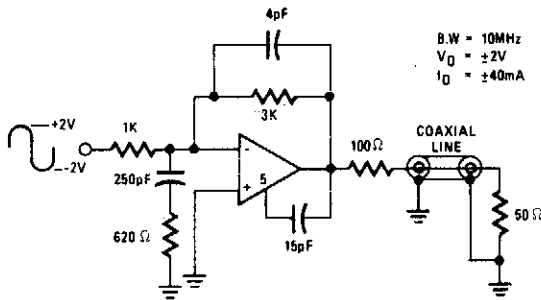


### Circuit Notes

The amplifier circuit is designed for 225 MHz center frequency, 1 dB bandwidth of 50 MHz, low input VSWR in a 75-ohm system, and 24 dB gain. Three stages of U310 FETs are used in a straight forward design.

Fig. 73-7

## 10 MHz COAXIAL LINE DRIVER

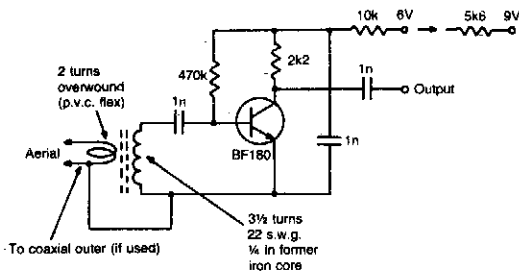


### Circuit Notes

The circuit will find excellent usage in high frequency line driving systems that require wide-power bandwidths at high output current levels. (IC=HA2530) The bandwidth of the circuit is limited only by the single pole response of the feedback components; namely  $f(-3 \text{ dB}) = \frac{1}{2} \pi R_i C_f$ . As such, the response is flat with no peaking and yields minimum distortion.

Fig. 73-8

## VHF PREAMPLIFIER

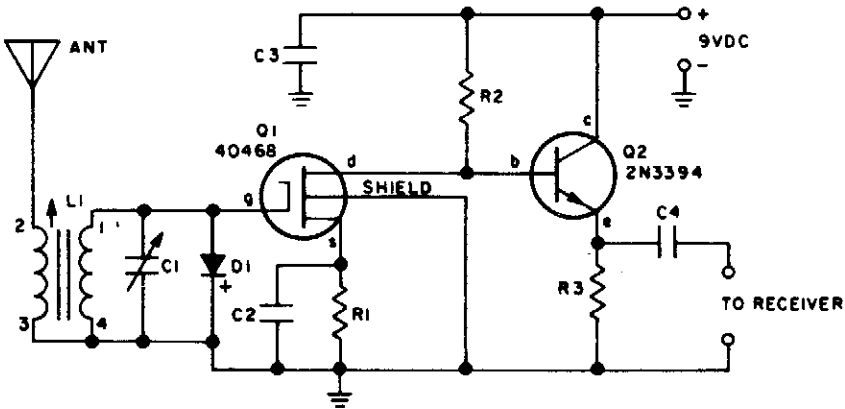


### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit gives 15 dB gain and can be mounted on 1 in<sup>2</sup> PCB. Coil data is given for 85 to 95 MHz. For other frequencies modify coil as required.

Fig. 73-9

### SHORTWAVE FET BOOSTER



#### PARTS LIST FOR SW'S FET BOOSTER

**C1**—365-pF tuning capacitor  
**C2, C3**—0.05- $\mu$ F, 25-VDC capacitor  
**C4**—470-pF, 25-VDC capacitor  
**D1**—1N914 diode  
**L1**—Antenna coil: 1.7-5.5 MHz use  
 Miller B-5495A, 5.5-15 MHz use

Miller C-5495A, 12-36 MHz use  
 Miller D-5495-A  
**Q1**—RCA 40468 FET transistor (Do  
 not substitute)  
**Q2**—2N3394 npn transistor  
**R1**—470-ohm,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt resistor  
**R2**—2400-ohm,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt resistor  
**R3**—4700-ohm,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt resistor

Fig. 73-10

#### Circuit Notes

This two transistor-preselector provides up to 40 dB gain from 3.5 to 30 MHz. Q1 (MOSFET) is sensitive to static charges and must be handled with care.

### LOW-NOISE 30 MHz PREAMPLIFIER

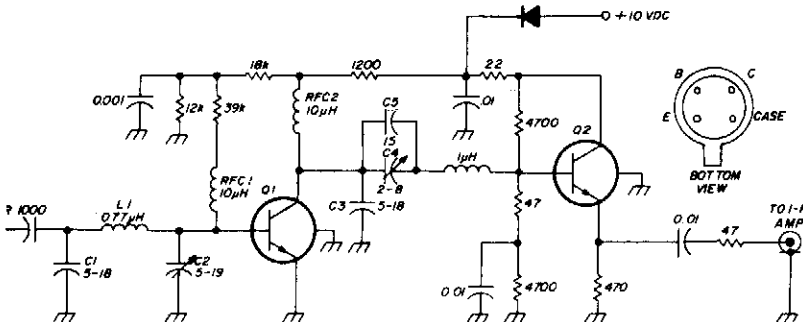


Fig. 73-11

#### Circuit Notes

Low-noise preamplifier has a noise figure of 1.1 dB at 30 MHz and 3 dB bandwidth of 10 MHz. Gain is 19 dB. Total current drain with a +10 volt supply is 13 mA. All resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt carbon; bypass capacitors are 50-volt ceramics.

## LOW-NOISE BROADBAND AMPLIFIER

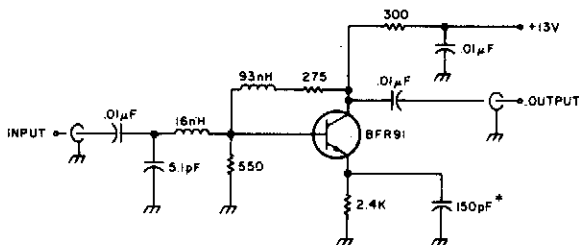


Fig. 73-12

### Circuit Notes

The amplifier provides 10 dB of gain from 10-600 MHz and has a 1.5-to-1 match at 50 ohms. The BFR91 has a 1.5 dB noise figures at 500 MHz. The circuit requires 13.5 Vdc at about 13 mA. Keep the leads on the 150 pF emitter bypass capacitor as short as possible. The 16 nH coil is 2.5 turns of #26 enamel wire on the shank of a #40 drill. The 93 nH inductor is 10 turns of the same material.

## TWO-METER 10 WATT POWER AMPLIFIER

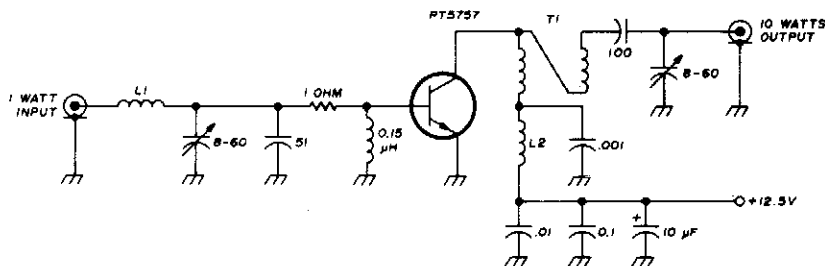


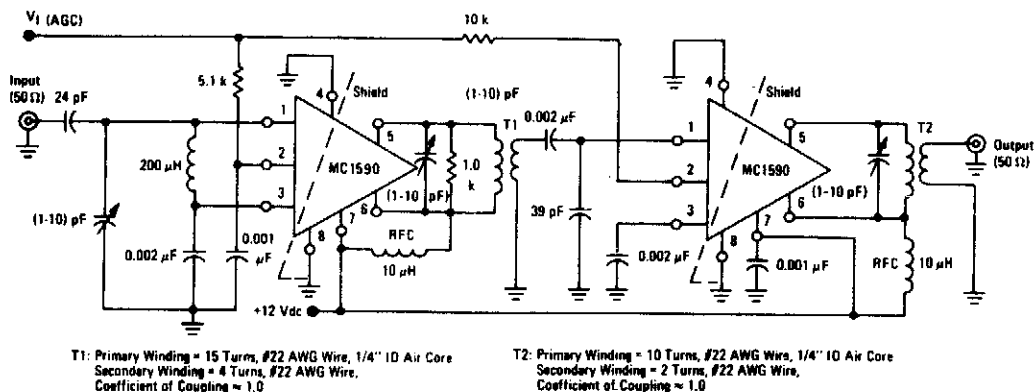
Fig. 73-13

### Circuit Notes

This 10-watt, 144-MHz power amplifier uses a TRW PT5757 transistor. L1 is 4 turns of no. 20 enameled, 3/32" ID; L2 is 10 turns of no. 20 enameled, 3/32" ID. Transformer T1 is

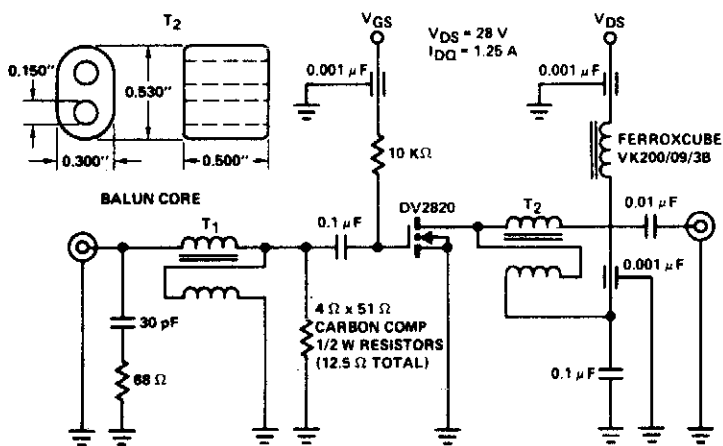
a 4:1 transmission-line transformer made from a 3" length of twisted pair of no. 20 enameled wire.

## TWO-STAGE 60 MHz IF AMPLIFIER (POWER GAIN $\approx$ 80 dB, BW $\approx$ 1.5 MHz)



**Fig. 73-14**

## 28 V WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER (3 to 100 MHz)

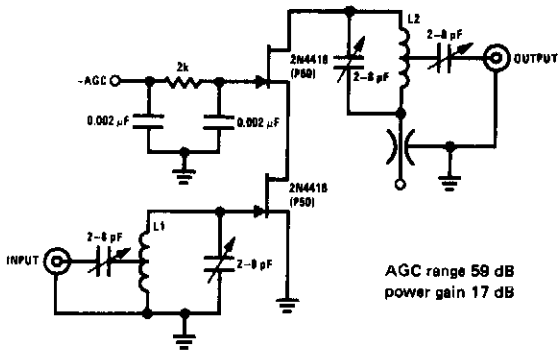


**Fig. 73-15**

**Parts List**

- T<sub>1</sub>, 20 turns 30 Ω, #30 bifilar on micrometals T-50-6 Toroid
- T<sub>2</sub>, 1 turn of 2-50 Ω coax cables in parallel through 2 balun cores stackpole #57-9130  $\mu$  = 125

## 200 MHz CASCODE AMPLIFIER



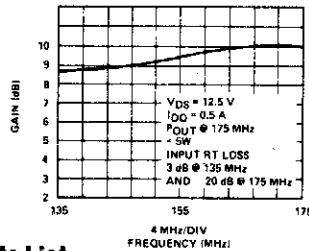
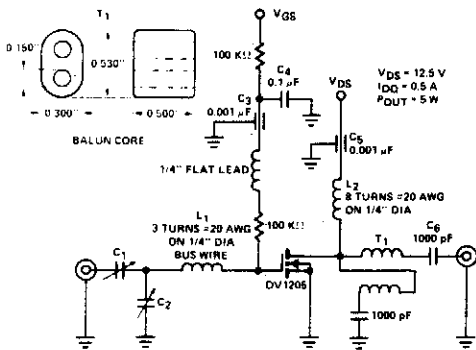
L1 = 0.07  $\mu$ Hy center tap  
L2 = 0.07  $\mu$ Hy tap 1/4 up from ground

### Circuit Notes

This 200 MHz JFET cascode circuit features low cross-modulation, large signal handling ability, no neutralization, and AGC controlled by biasing the upper cascode JFET. The only special requirement of this circuit is that  $I_{DSS}$  of the upper unit must be greater than that of the lower unit.

Fig. 73-16

## 135-175 MHz AMPLIFIER



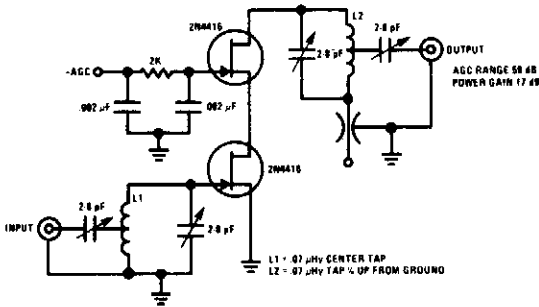
### Parts List

C1, C2 ARCO #462, 2 to 80 pF, trimmer capacitors  
 L1, 3 turns buss wire #20 AWG on 1/4" diameter  
 L2, 8 turns #20 AWG on 1/4" diameter  
 T1, 1 turn of 25  $\Omega$  coax on 2 balun cores.  
 Stackpole #57-0973  $\mu\text{o} = 35$ .

Fig. 73-17



## 200 MHz CASCODE AMPLIFIER

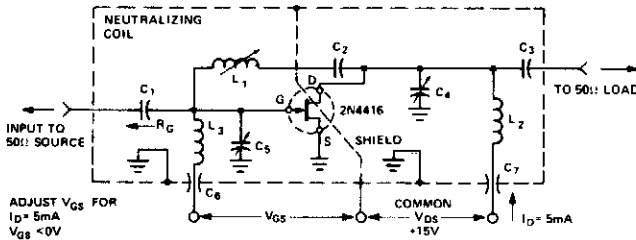


### Circuit Notes

This 200 MHz JFET cascode circuit features low cross-modulation, large signal handling ability, no neutralization, and AGC controlled by biasing the upper cascode JFET. The only special requirement of this circuit is that  $I_{DSS}$  of the upper unit must be greater than that of the lower unit.

Fig. 73-18

## 100 MHz AND 400 MHz NEUTRALIZED COMMON SOURCE AMPLIFIER



| REFERENCE DESIGNATION | VALUE    |         |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|
|                       | 100MHz   | 400MHz  |
| C <sub>1</sub>        | 7.0pF    | 1.8pF   |
| C <sub>2</sub>        | 1000pF   | 27pF    |
| C <sub>3</sub>        | 3.0pF    | 1.0pF   |
| C <sub>4</sub>        | 1.0-12pF | 0.8-8pF |
| C <sub>5</sub>        | 1.0-12pF | 0.8-8pF |
| C <sub>6</sub>        | 0.0015μF | 0.001μF |
| C <sub>7</sub>        | 0.0015μF | 0.001μF |
| L <sub>1</sub>        | 3.0μH    | 0.2μH   |
| L <sub>2</sub>        | 0.25μH   | 0.022μH |
| L <sub>3</sub>        | 0.14μH   | 0.022μH |
| Typ NF                | 12dB     | 2.4dB   |
| Typ G <sub>ps</sub>   | 21dB     | 12dB    |

Fig. 73-19

## ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER

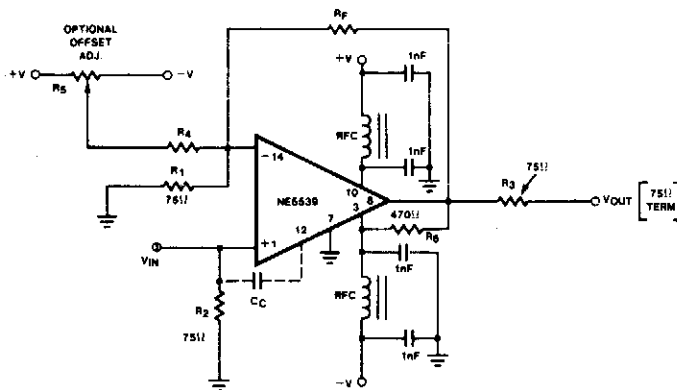


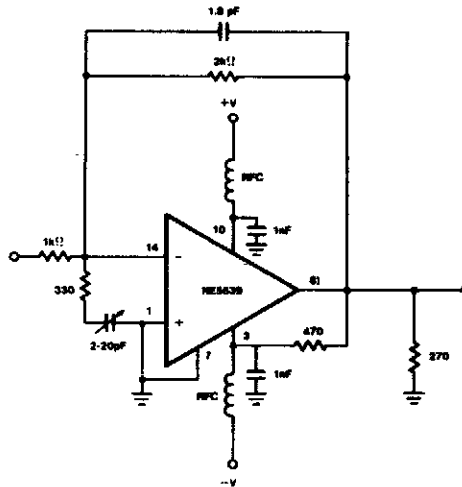
Fig. 73-20

R<sub>1</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON  
R<sub>2</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON  
R<sub>3</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON  
R<sub>4</sub> = 39K 5% CARBON

R<sub>5</sub> = 20K TRIMPOT (CERMET)  
R<sub>6</sub> = 1.5K (2500 GAIN)  
R<sub>6</sub> = 470Ω 5% CARBON

RFC 3T # 25 BUSSWIRE ON  
FERROXULEX VK 200 09/38 CORE  
BYPASS CAPACITORS  
1nF CERAMIC  
(MPCO OR EQUIV.)

**UHF AMPLIFIER WITH INVERTING GAIN OF 2 AND LAG-LEAD COM-  
PENSATION (GAIN BANDWIDTH PRODUCT 350 MHz)**



NOTE  
Resistors—1/4 watt carbon.  
RFC-3T #26 bus wire on Ferroxcube VK200 09/3B  
wideband threaded core.

Fig. 73-21

**TRANSISTORIZED Q-MULTIPLIER  
FOR USE WITH IFS IN THE 1400 kHz RANGE**

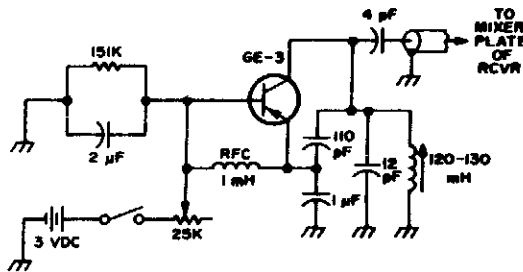
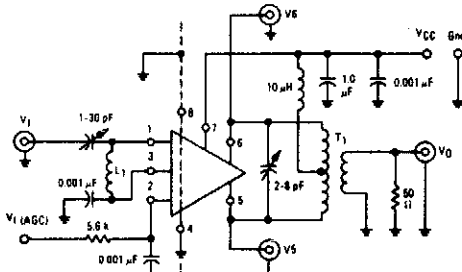


Fig. 73-22

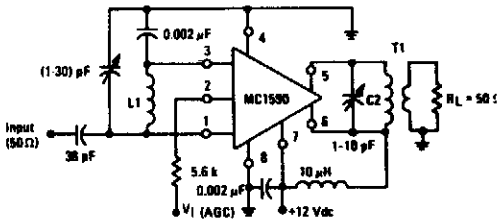
### 60 MHz AMPLIFIER



- L1: 7 Turns, #22 AWG Wire on 5/16" Dia. Form, 5/8" Long  
 T1: Close Wound Over 1/4" Form  
 Primary Winding = 16 Turns #26 AWG, Center Tapped  
 Secondary Winding = 2 Turns #26 AWG

Fig. 73-23

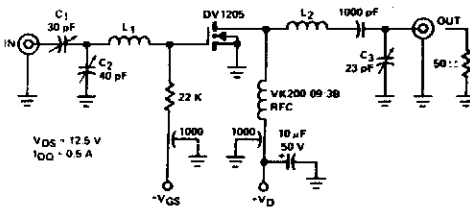
### 30 MHz AMPLIFIER (POWER GAIN = 50 dB, BW ≈ 1.0 MHz)



- L1 = 12 Turns #22 AWG Wire on a Toroid Core, (T37-6 Micro Metal or Equiv)  
 T1: Primary = 17 Turns #20 AWG Wire on a Toroid Core, (T44-6 Micro Metal or Equiv)  
 Secondary = 2 Turns #20 AWG Wire

Fig. 73-24

### TWO METER AMPLIFIER, 5 W OUTPUT



#### Parts List

- L1, 60 nHy 4T #22 AWG close wound 0.125" I.D.  
 L2, 54 nHy 3 1/2T #22 AWG close wound 0.125" I.D.  
 C1, C2, C3, ARCO #462 5-80 pF

Fig. 73-25

### 80 MHz CASCODE AMPLIFIER

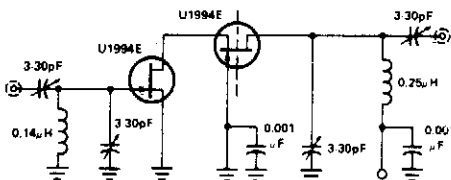
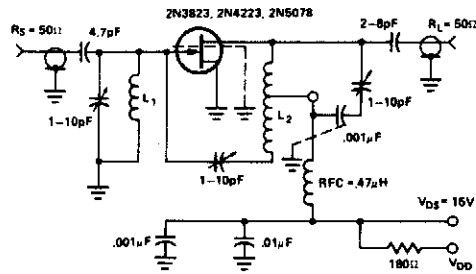


Fig. 73-26

## 200 MHz NEUTRALIZED COMMON SOURCE AMPLIFIER

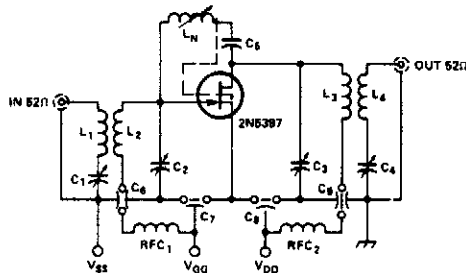


$L_1$  1-1/2 turns, #20 tinned wire, 1/4 ID, Length = 3/8"  
 $L_2$  3-1/2 turns, #18 tinned wire, 3/8" ID, Length = 1/2"  
 Tapped at 1-1/4 turns from drain

NF Typ 1.5dB  
 $G_{ps}$  Typ 18dB  
 $V_{DS}$  = +15V  
 $V_{GS}$  = 0

Fig. 73-27

## 450 MHz COMMON-SOURCE AMPLIFIER



$C_{1-a}$  - 0.8 - 12pF Johnson type 2950  
 $C_5$  - 40pF DMS silver mica  
 $C_{8-g}$  - 1000pF Allen-Bradley type FASC  
 $L_1$  - 1.4" long; #22 enamel spaced 0.1" from  $L_2$   
 $L_2$  - 1.1" long; #16 solid copper  
 $L_3$  - 1.3" long; #16 solid copper  
 $L_4$  - 1.4" long; #22 enamel spaced 0.3" from  $L_3$   
 $RFC_{1,2}$  - 0.15μH Delevan type 1537-00  
 $L_N$  - 3T, #22 enamel; 0.25" diam, ceramic form;  
 aluminum slug, low loss

NF Typ 2.8dB  
 $G_{ps}$  Typ 18dB  
 $V_{DD}$  = +10V  
 $I_D$  = 10mA

Fig. 73-28

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## RF Oscillators

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

500 MHz Oscillator  
Low Distortion Oscillator  
400 MHz Oscillator  
2 MHz Oscillator

1.0 MHz Oscillator  
Hartley Oscillator  
Colpitts Oscillator  
RF Oscillator

### 500 MHz OSCILLATOR

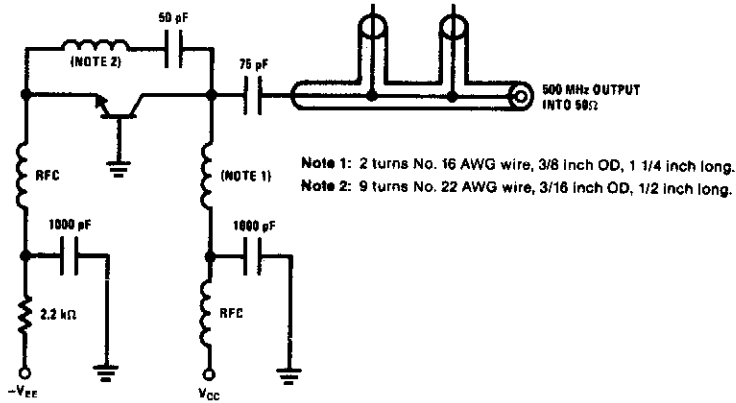
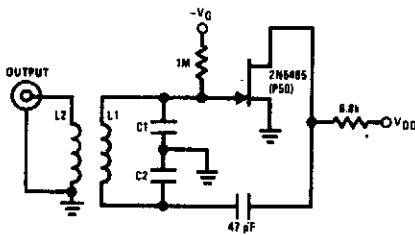


Fig. 74-1

### LOW DISTORTION OSCILLATOR



20 MHz oscillator values

C1 = 700 pF    L1 = 1.3 μH  
 C2 = 75 pF    L2 = 10T 3/8" dia 3/4" long  
 VDD = 16V    ID = 1 mA

20 MHz oscillator performance

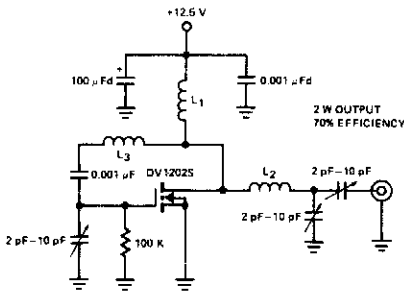
Low distortion 20 MHz osc  
 2nd harmonic - 60 dB  
 3rd harmonic > -70 dB

Fig. 74-2

#### Circuit Notes

The 2N5485 JFET is capable of oscillating in a circuit where harmonic distortion is very low. The JFET local oscillator is excellent when a low harmonic content is required for a good mixer circuit.

### 400 MHz OSCILLATOR



#### Parts List

- L1—8 turns #22 closewound on 1/4" diameter
- L2—1/2 inch #16 wire
- L3—1 inch #16 wire

Fig. 74-3

### 1.0 MHz OSCILLATOR

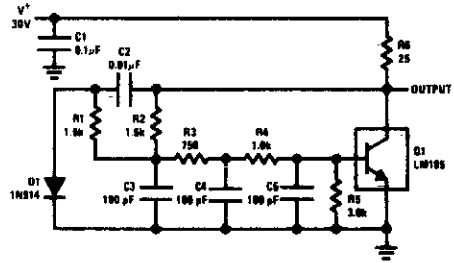


Fig. 74-5

### 2 MHz OSCILLATOR

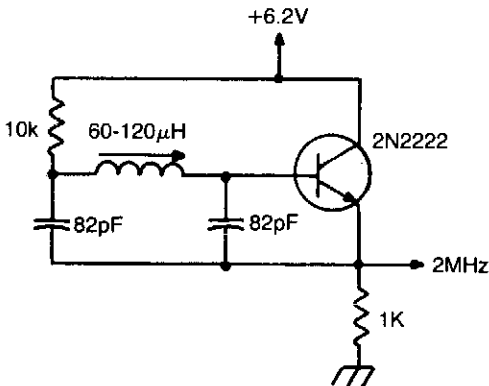


Fig. 74-4

#### Circuit Notes

Miller 9055 miniature slug-tuned coil; all resistors 1/4W 5%; all caps min. 25 V ceramic.

### HARTLEY OSCILLATOR

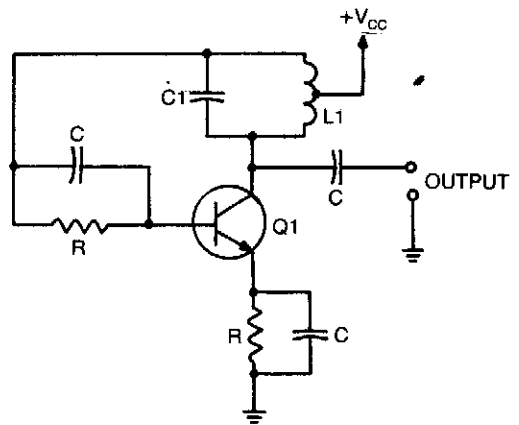
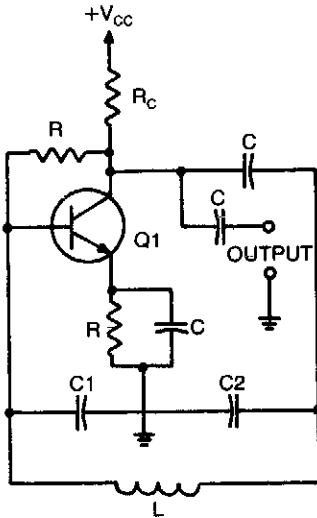


Fig. 74-6

#### Circuit Notes

Resonant frequency is  $\frac{1}{2} \pi \sqrt{L1C1}$ .

## COLPITTS OSCILLATOR

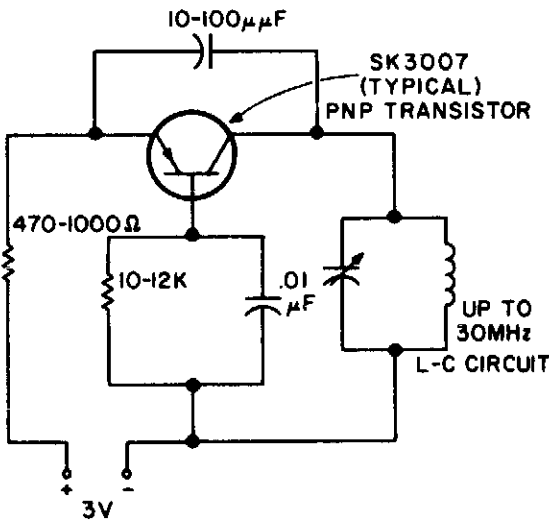


### Circuit Notes

When calculating its resonant frequency, use  $C1C2/C1+C2$  for the total capacitance of the L-C circuit.

Fig. 74-7

## RF OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

This rf oscillator is useful up to 30 MHz. An SK 3007 PNP transistor is recommended.

Fig. 74-8



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## Remote Control Circuits

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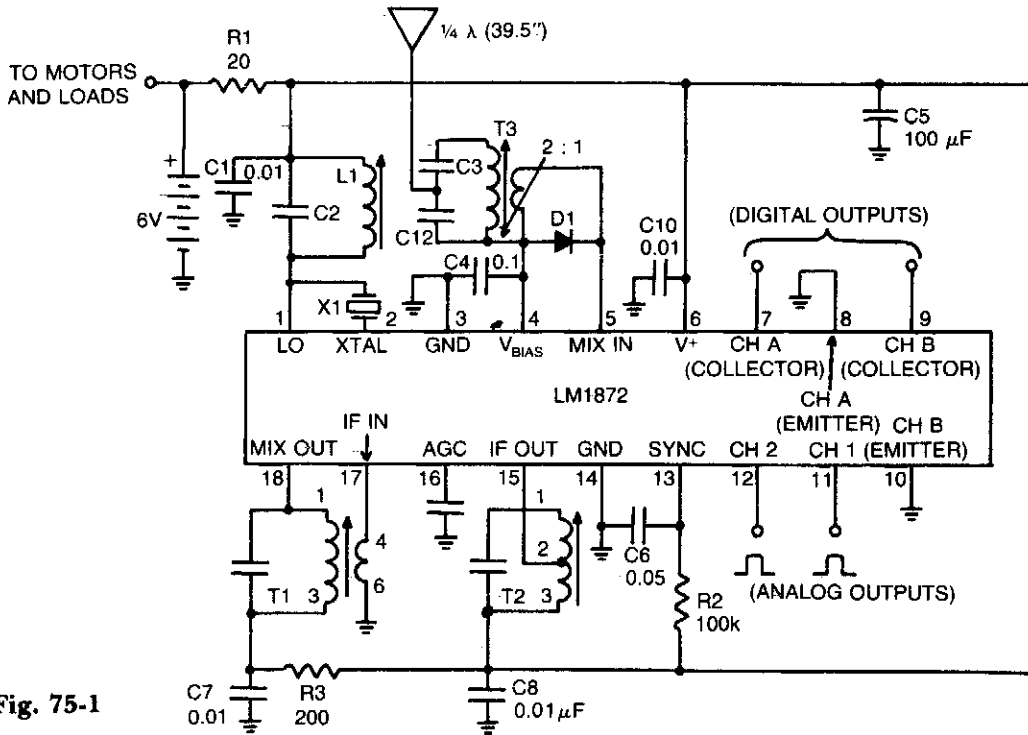
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Radio Control Receiver/Decoder  
Carrier Operated Relay  
Remote Control Servo System

Tone-Actuated Relay  
Radio Control Motor Speed Controller  
Remote On-Off Switch

Automatic Turn Off for TV Set

## RADIO CONTROL RECEIVER/DECODER



**Fig. 75-1**

R1 - Motor decoupling

R2 - Sync timer;  $R2 = \frac{r \text{ SYNC}}{0.7 C6}$ ,  $R2 \leq 470k$

R3 - Mixer decoupling

C1 - LO bypass; optional

C2 - LO tank;  $C2 = 22 \text{ pF} @ 72 \text{ MHz}$

C3 - Ant. input tank;  $C3 = 24 \text{ pF} @ 72 \text{ MHz}$

C4 -  $V_{BIAS}$  bypass

C5 - Motor decoupling

C6 - Sync timer;  $C6 = \frac{r \text{ SYNC}}{0.7 R2}$ ,  $C6 + 0.5 \mu\text{F}$

C7 - Mixer decouple;  $0.01 \mu\text{F} \leq C7 \leq 1 \mu\text{F}$

C8 - AGC

C9 - IF bypass; optional

C10 -  $V+$  bypass;  $0.01 \mu\text{F} \leq C10 \leq 0.1 \mu\text{F}$

C12 - Ant. input tank;  $C12 = 160 \text{ pF} @ 72 \text{ MHz}$

L1 - LO coil

Toko\* 10k type (KENC) 4T;  $0.2 \mu\text{H} @ 72 \text{ MHz}$

L1 could be made a fixed coil, if desired.

T1 - 455 kHz mixer transformer

Toko\* 10 EZC type (RMC-502182),  $Q_u = 110$

Pin 1-2, 82T; pin 2-3, 82T

Pin 1-3, 164T; pin 4-6, 30T

T2 - 455 kHz IF transformer

Toko\* 10 EZC type (RMC-502503),  $Q_u = 110$

Pin 1-2, 82T; pin 2-3, 8T

T3 - Ant. input transformer

Toko 10k type (KENC), 4T sec. & 2T pri. of  $0.2 \mu\text{H} @ 72 \text{ MHz}$

X1 - 5th overtone crystal, parallel-mode, 72 MHz

D1 - Electrostatic discharge (ESD) protection

\* Toko America, Inc.

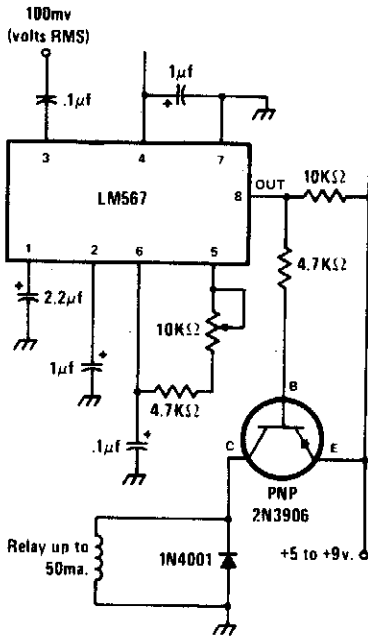
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## TONE-ACTUATED RELAY



### Circuit Notes

The circuit is built around the LM567 tone decoder IC that requires about 100 millivolts at its operating frequency. The frequency is set by a 10 K variable resistor and can be between 700 and 1500 Hz. When a tone at the set frequency is present, the 567's output goes low to energize a relay through a 2N3906 PNP transistor.

Fig. 75-4

## RADIO CONTROL MOTOR SPEED CONTROLLER

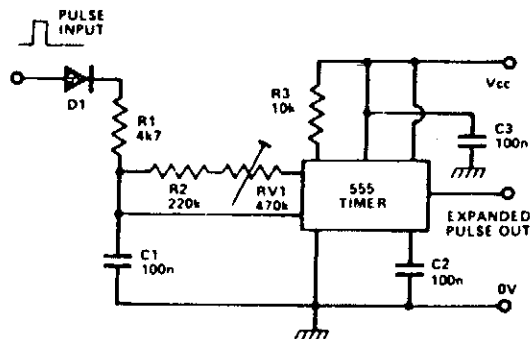


Fig. 75-5

## REMOTE ON-OFF SWITCH

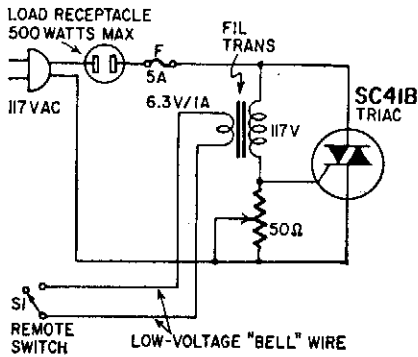


Fig. 75-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides power control without running line-voltage switch leads. The primary of a 6-volt filament transformer is connected between the gate and one of the main terminals of a triac. The secondary is connected to the remote switch through ordinary low-voltage line. With switch open, transformer blocks gate current, prevents the triac from firing and applying power to the equipment. Closing the switch short-circuits the secondary, causing the transformer to saturate and trigger the triac.

## AUTOMATIC TURN OFF FOR TV SET

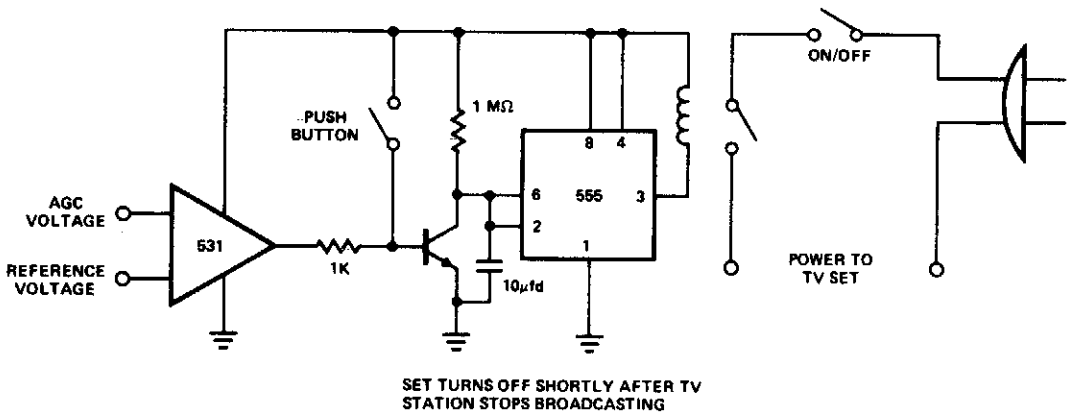


Fig. 75-7

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## Safety and Security Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| Tarry Light                             | Power Failure Alarm    |
| Ground Tester                           | Ac Hot Wire Probe      |
| Ground-Fault Interrupter                | Power Failure Detector |
| Single Source Emergency Lighting System | Power-Failure Alarm    |
| Electronic Combination Lock             |                        |

## TARRY LIGHT

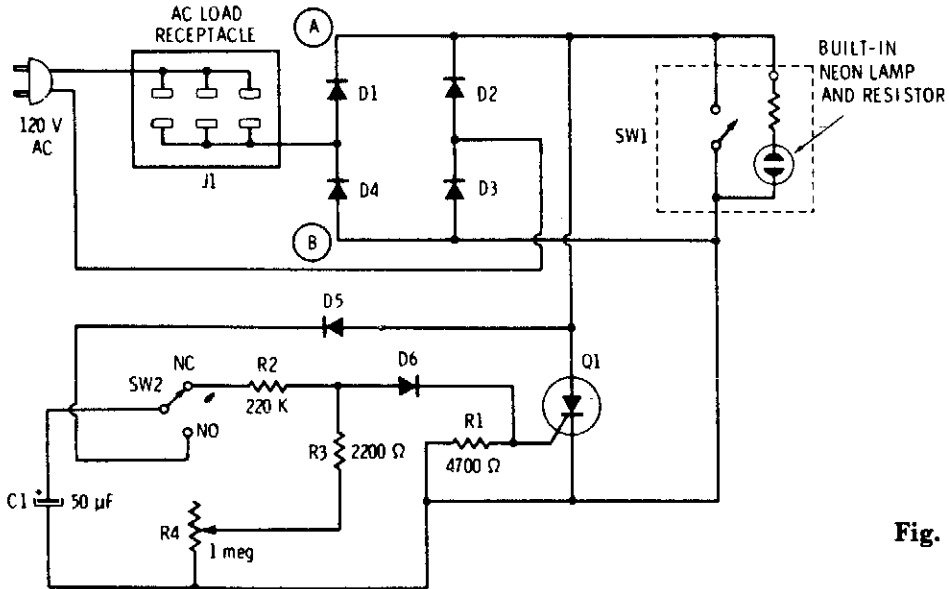


Fig. 76-1

### Circuit Notes

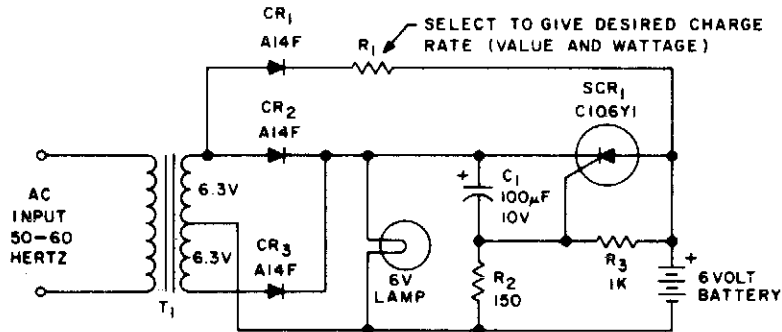
The push button and potentiometer initiate a time delay that turns a light on then automatically turns it off again after a pre-determined time. The potentiometer can be set for a delay of a few seconds to just under three minutes. When the push-button switch SW2 is pressed, capacitor C1 gets charged through D5 to the full dc voltage developed by the diode bridge. When the button is released, the charged capacitor is connected across the series combination of R2, R3, and potentiometer R4 whose setting determines the total resistance and thereby sets the time it takes for

the capacitor to discharge. A steering diode, D6, connected to the junction of R2 and R3, and potentiometer R4 whose setting determines The total resistance and thereby sets the time it takes for the capacitor to discharge. Diode, D6 picks off a portion of this decaying dc voltage and applies it to the gates terminal of Q1, the SCR, triggering it into a conductive state. This SCR will remain on as long as there is sufficient voltage on its gate. As soon as this voltage decays below the minimum holding voltage of the SCR, it will turn off on the next line alternation.





## SINGLE SOURCE EMERGENCY LIGHTING SYSTEM

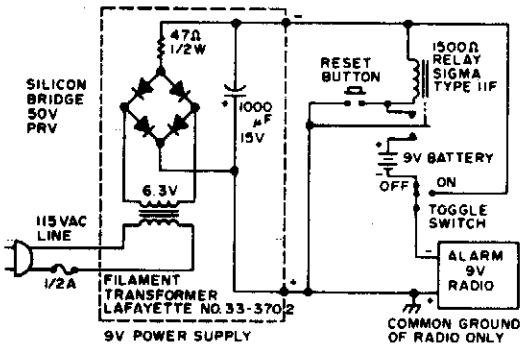


**Fig. 76-4**

### Circuit Notes

This emergency lighting system maintains a 6 volt battery at full charge and switches automatically from the ac supply to the battery.

## POWER FAILURE ALARM

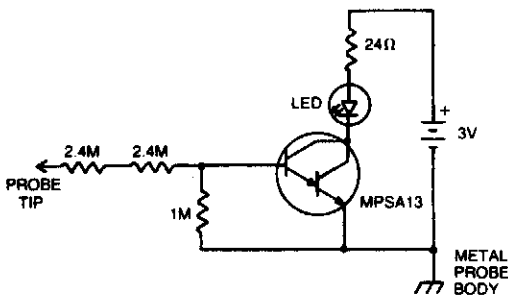


**Fig. 76-5**

### Circuit Notes

If the power fails, the radio alarm goes on. No loud siren, bell, or whistle. Even if the power is restored, the alarm stays on until RESET button is pushed.

## AC HOT WIRE PROBE



**Fig. 76-6**

### Circuit Notes

Insert the probe tip into either terminal of an ac outlet and hold the probe body against anything that the circuit ground is connected to. The LED will glow when the hot terminal is touched. Two 2.4 M resistors are used in the probe tip for safety (redundancy) reasons.

### POWER FAILURE DETECTOR

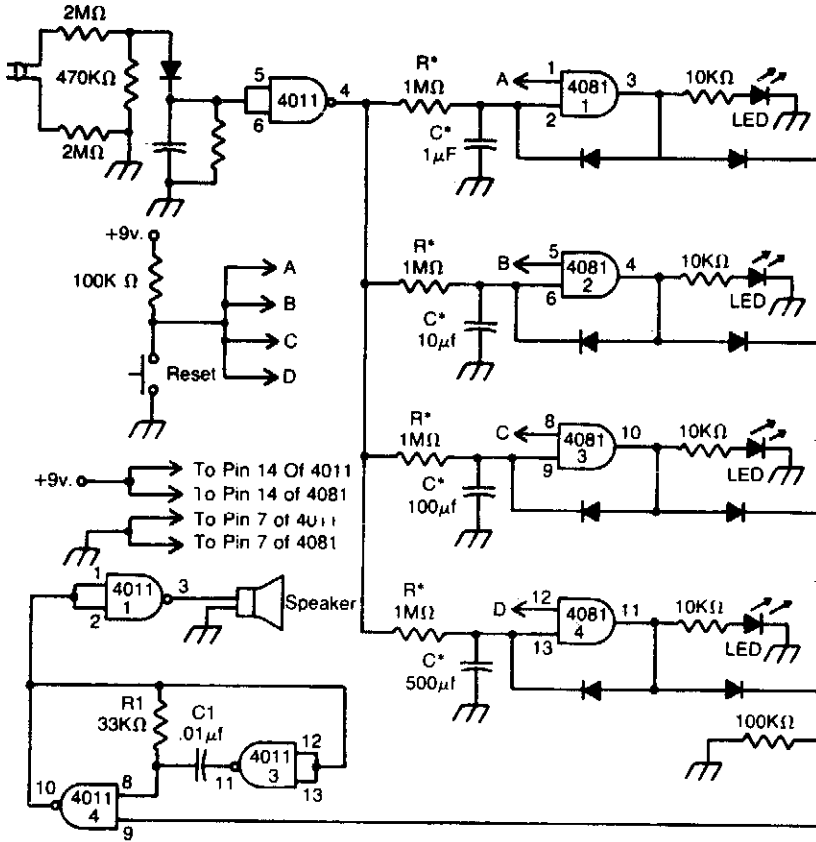


Fig. 76-7

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit indicates that a power outage occurred for 1, 10, 100, and 500 seconds with the values given for  $R^*$  and  $C^*$ . After a power failure, the circuit can be reset by pushing the Reset button.

### POWER FAILURE ALARM

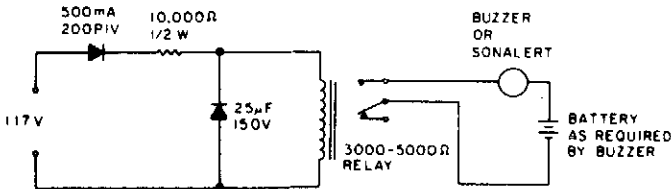
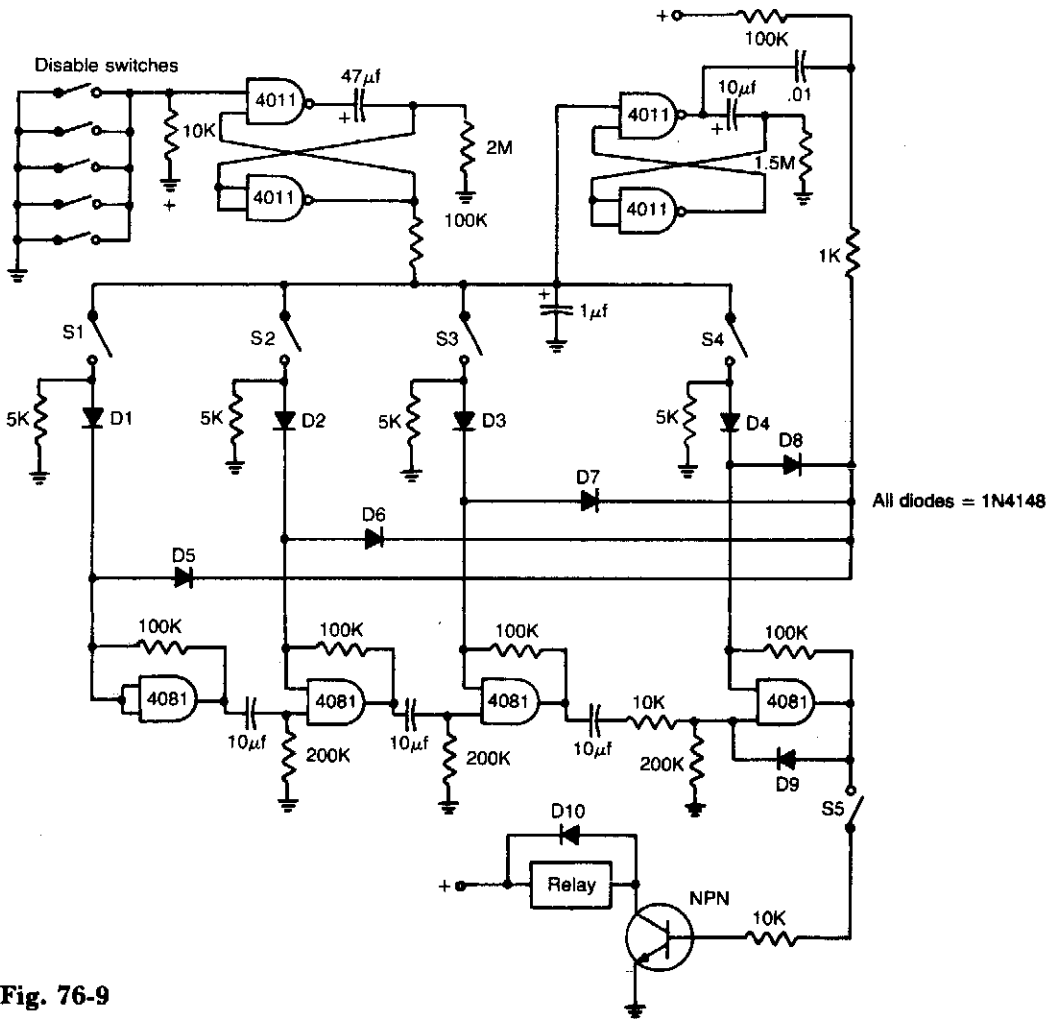


Fig. 76-8

#### Circuit Notes

While the power is on, the relay is held open, but when the power fails the buzzer-circuit contacts close.

## ELECTRONIC COMBINATION LOCK



**Fig. 76-9**

### Circuit Notes

Switches S1 through S5 must be operated in rapid sequence to operate the lock. They can be any numbers on a 10-button switch pad. If an incorrect button is pushed, alarm sounds and the circuit is disabled for two minutes.

## Sample and Hold Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Peak Detect and Hold  
Low Drift Sample and Hold  
JFET Sample and Hold  
High Speed Sample and Hold Amplifier  
High Speed Sample and Hold  
High Speed Sample and Hold

Sample and Hold with Offset Adjustment  
Differential Hold  
 $\times 1000$  Sample and Hold  
Sample and Hold  
High Accuracy Sample and Hold  
High Speed Sample and Hold

## PEAK DETECT AND HOLD

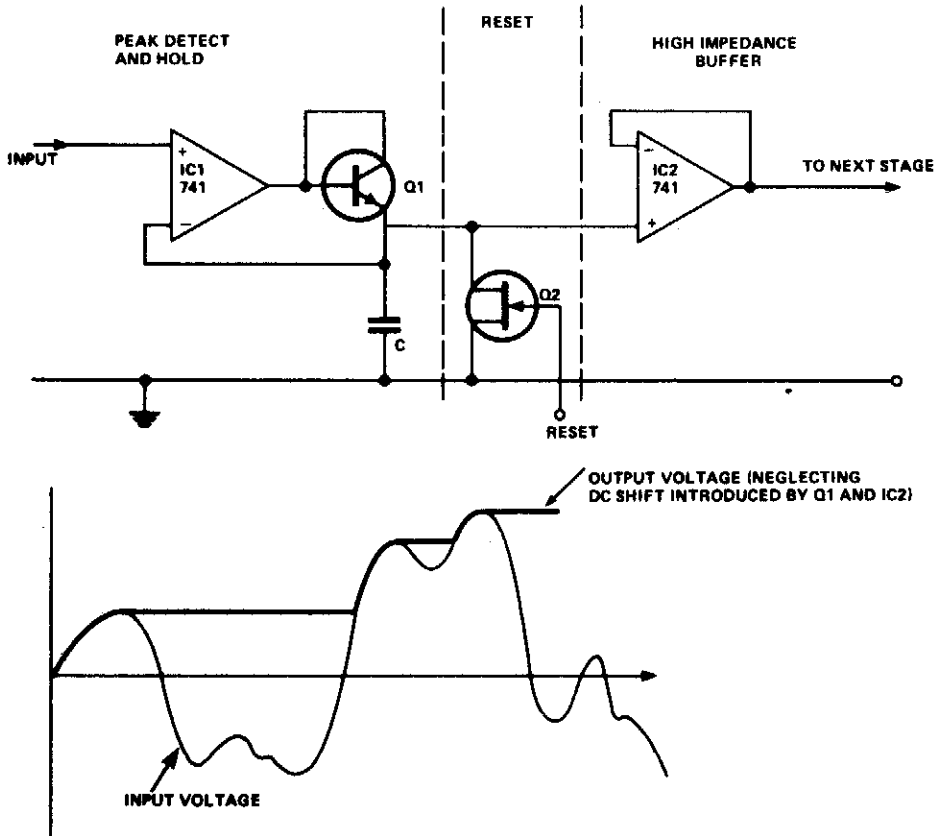


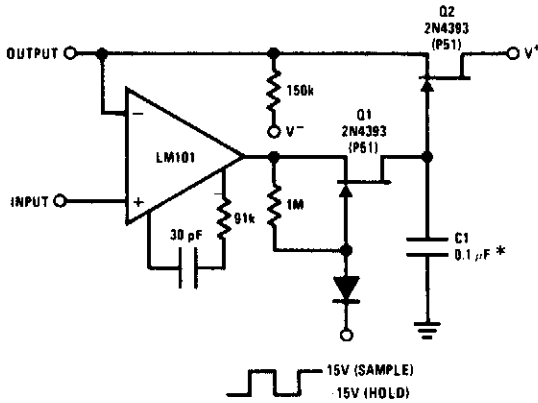
Fig. 77-1

### Circuit Notes

If the voltage at the input exceeds the voltage on the capacitor, then the output of the 741 goes positive, the diode conducts, and the capacitor is charged up to the input voltage-forward voltage drop of diode. When the voltage at the input is less than that on the capacitor, the output of the 741 goes negative,

and the diode cuts off. To prevent the capacitor from discharging through the input resistance of the next stage, a high input impedance buffer stage (IC2) is used. The circuit can be reset by means of a FET or similar high impedance device connected across the capacitor.

### LOW DRIFT SAMPLE AND HOLD



\*Polycarbonate dielectric capacitor

#### Circuit Notes

The JFETs, Q1 and Q2, provide complete buffering to C1, the sample and hold capacitor. During sample, Q1 is turned on and provides a path,  $I_{ds(on)}$ , for charging C1. During hold, Q1 is turned off, thus leaving Q1  $I_{D(off)}$  ( $< 100 \text{ pA}$ ) and Q2  $I_{GSS}$  ( $< 100 \text{ pA}$ ) as the only discharge paths. Q2 serves a buffering function so feedback to the LM101 and output current are supplied from its source.

Fig. 77-2

### JFET SAMPLE AND HOLD

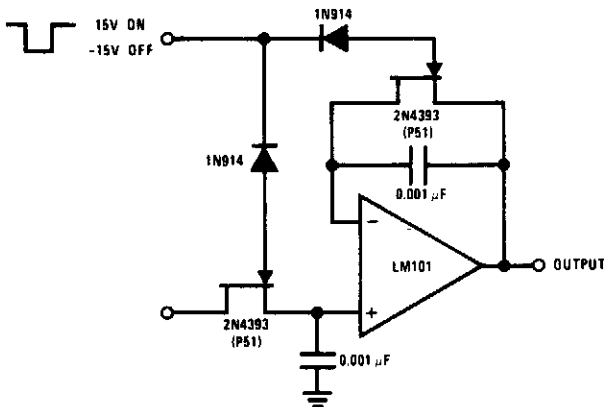


Fig. 77-3

#### Circuit Notes

The logic voltage is applied simultaneously to the sample and hold JFETs. By matching input impedance and feedback resistance and capacitance, errors due to  $I_{ds(on)}$  of the JFETs are minimized.

## HIGH SPEED SAMPLE AND HOLD AMPLIFIER

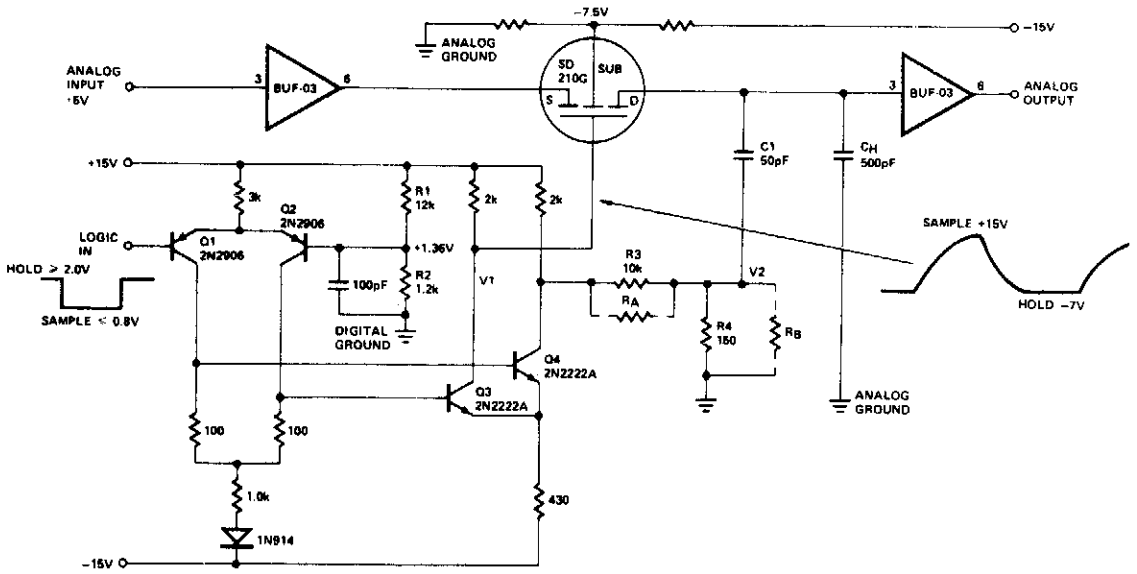


Fig. 77-4

## HIGH SPEED SAMPLE AND HOLD

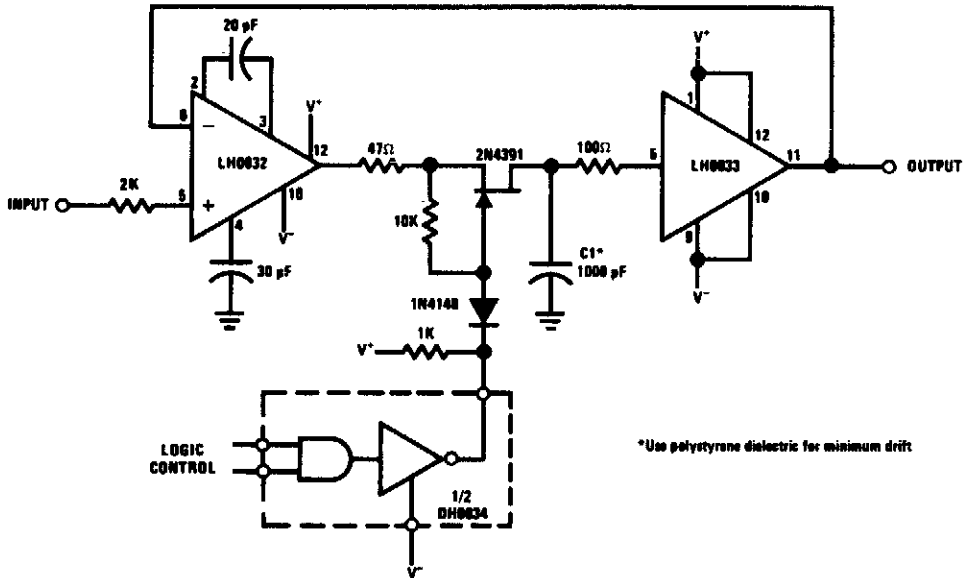


Fig. 77-5

## HIGH SPEED SAMPLE AND HOLD

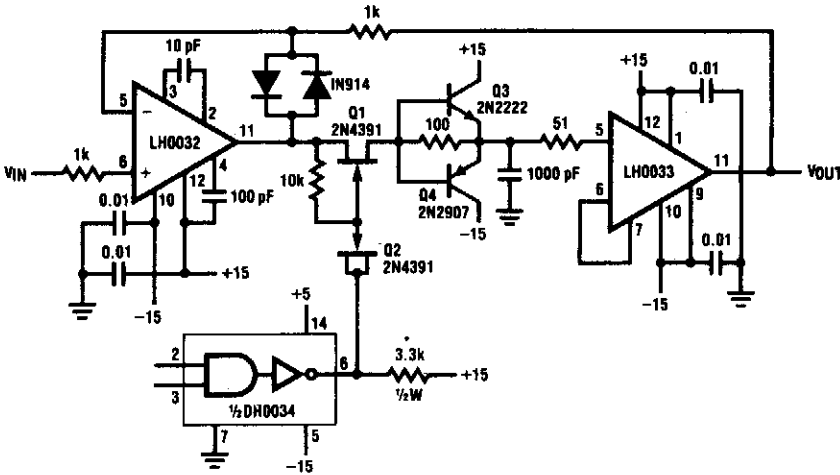


Fig. 77-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit exhibits a 10 V acquisition time of 900 ns to 0.1% accuracy and a droop rate of only  $100 \mu\text{V/ms}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  ambient condition. An even faster acquisition time can be obtained using a smaller value hold-capacitor.

By decreasing the value from 1000 pF to 220 pF, the acquisition time improves to 500 ns for a 10 V step. However, the droop rate increases to  $500 \mu\text{V/ms}$ .

## SAMPLE AND HOLD WITH OFFSET ADJUSTMENT

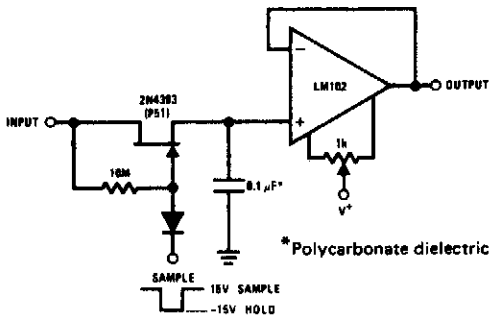


Fig. 77-7

### Circuit Notes

The 2N4393 JFET was selected because of its low  $I_{GSS}$  ( $< 100 \text{ pA}$ ), very low  $I_{D(off)}$  ( $< 100 \text{ pA}$ ) and low pinchoff voltage. Leakages of this level put the burden of circuit performance on clean, solder-resin free, low leakage circuit layout.



### DIFFERENTIAL HOLD

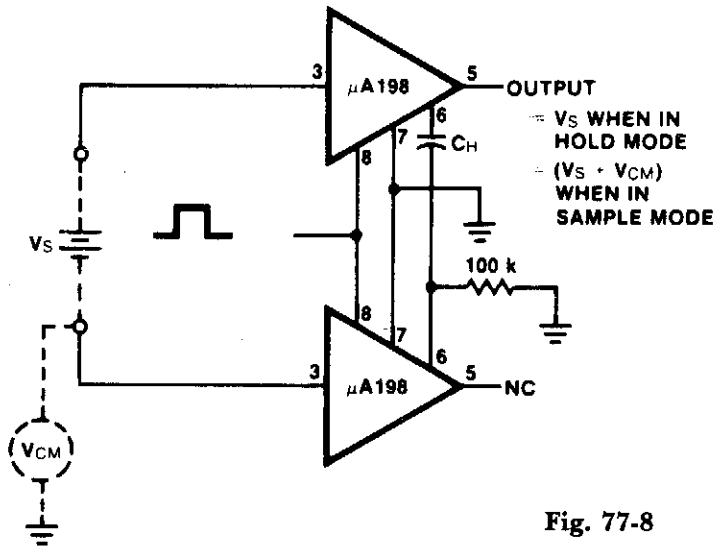
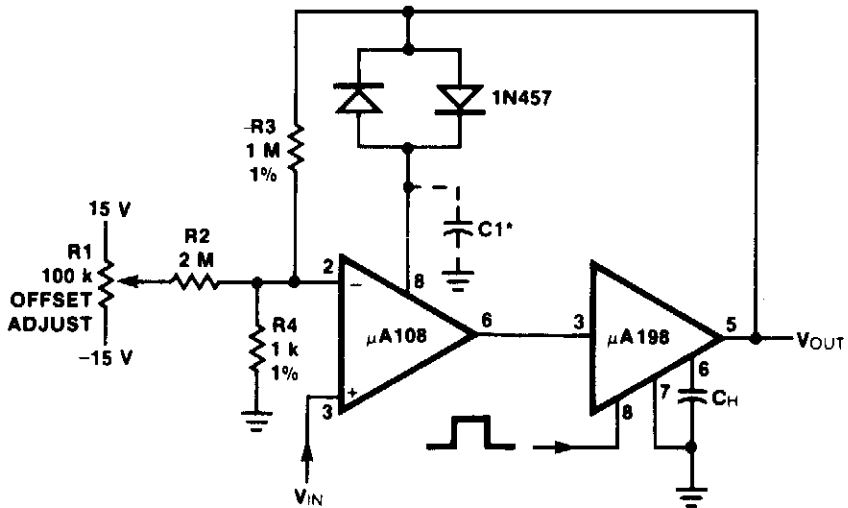


Fig. 77-8

### × 1000 SAMPLE AND HOLD



#### Notes

For lower gains, the  $\mu A108$  must be frequency compensated

Use  $\approx \frac{100}{A_V}$  pF from comp 2 to ground

Fig. 77-9



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## Schmitt Triggers

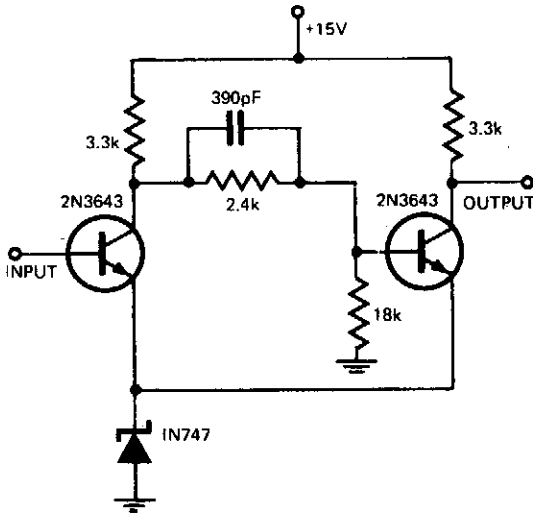
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Schmitt Trigger Without Hysteresis  
Schmitt Trigger with Programmable  
Hysteresis

Schmitt Trigger (Zero Crossing Detector with  
Hysteresis)  
Schmitt Trigger

### SCHMITT TRIGGER WITHOUT HYSTERESIS



#### Circuit Notes

By replacing the common-emitter resistor in a conventional Schmitt by a zener diode, the hysteresis normally associated with these circuits is eliminated.

Fig. 78-1

### SCHMITT TRIGGER WITH PROGRAMMABLE HYSTERESIS

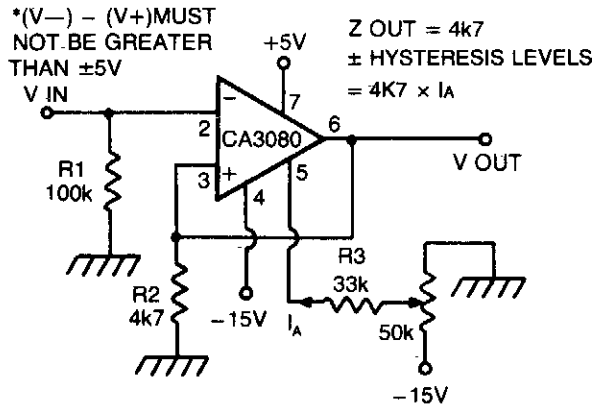


Fig. 78-2

#### Circuit Notes

CA 3088 is used as a versatile Schmitt trigger. The size of the hysteresis levels is determined by  $I_A$  that flows out of the amplifier's output and through R2. Increasing  $I_A$  increases hysteresis and vice versa. The positive and negative hysteresis levels are symmetrical about 0 V.

### SCHMITT TRIGGER (ZERO CROSSING DETECTOR WITH HYSTERESIS)

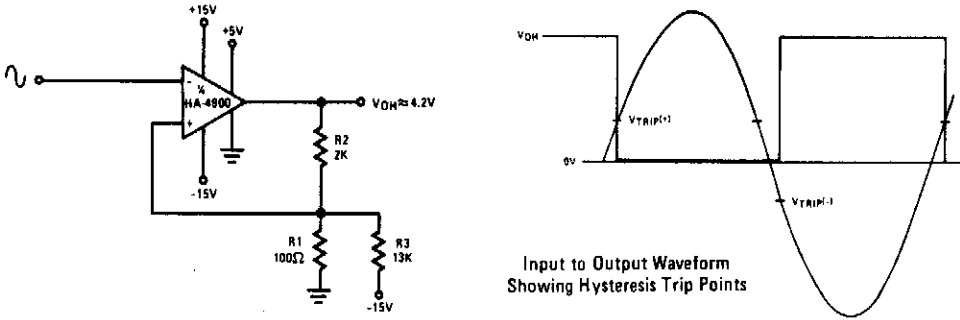


Fig. 78-3

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit has a 100 mV hysteresis which can be used in applications where very fast transition times are required at the output even though the signal is very slow. The hys-

teresis loop also reduces false triggering due to noise on the input. The waveforms show the trip points developed by the hysteresis loop.

### SCHMITT TRIGGER

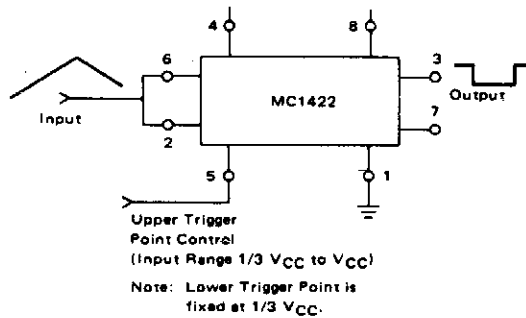


Fig. 78-4

#### Circuit Notes

The lower trigger point is fixed at  $1/3 V_{CC}$ , but the upper trigger point is adjustable by means of Pin 5 from  $1/3 V_{CC}$  to slightly less than  $V_{CC}$ . The Schmitt trigger will operate with input frequencies up to 50 kHz.

# 79

## Smoke and Flame Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Photoelectric Smoke Detector (Non-Latching)  
1.9 V Battery Operated Ionization Type  
Smoke Detector

Line-Operated Photo-Electric Smoke  
Alarm Using Light Sensitive Resistor  
(Includes Detection of Open-Circuited  
LED)

## PHOTOELECTRIC SMOKE DETECTOR (NON-LATCHING)

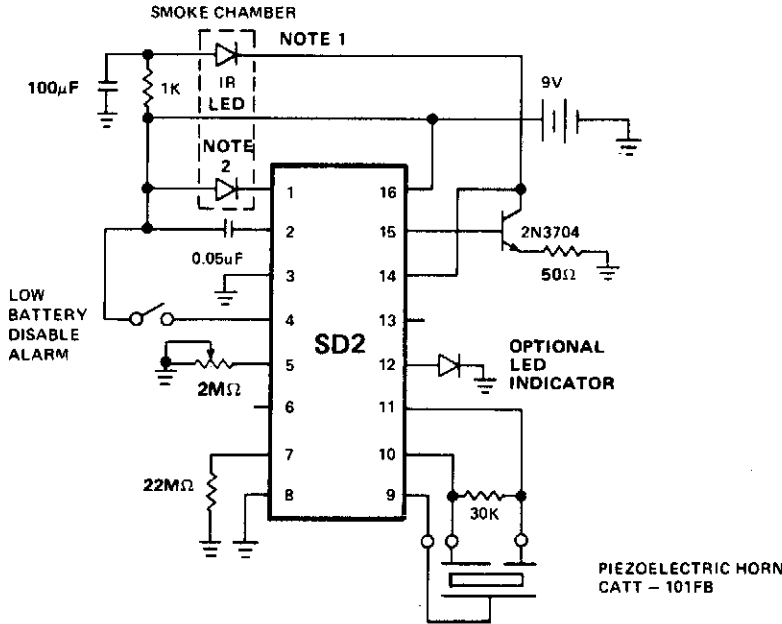


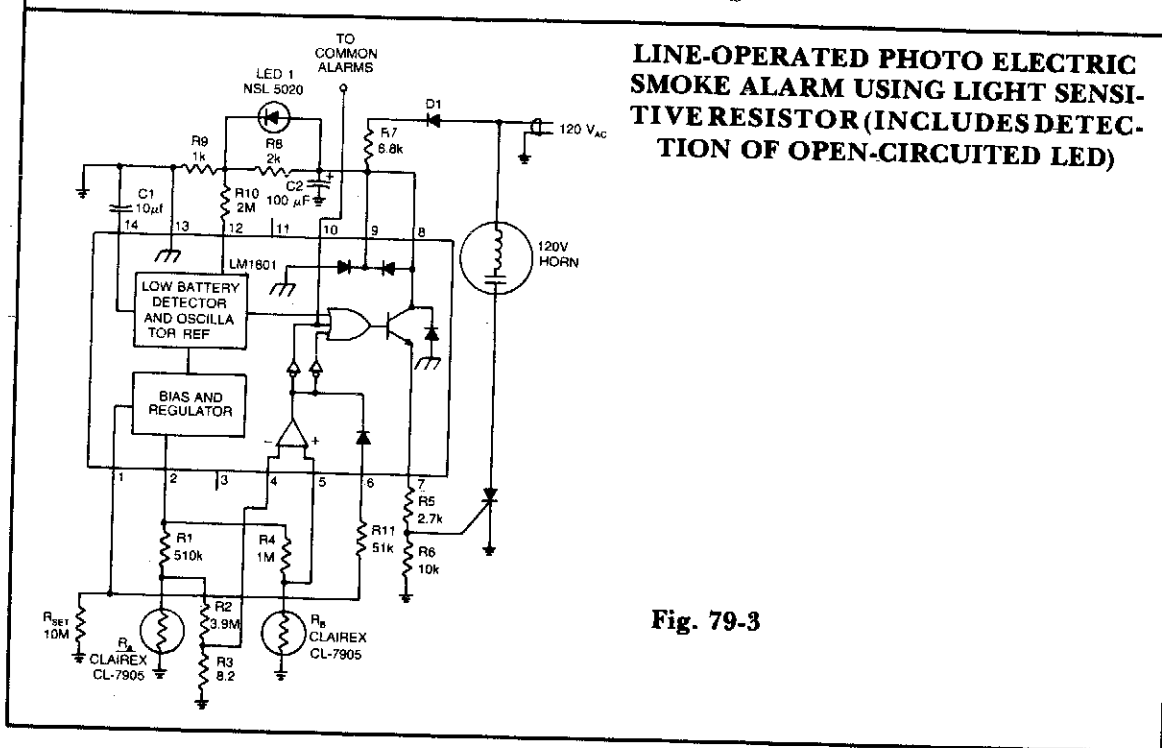
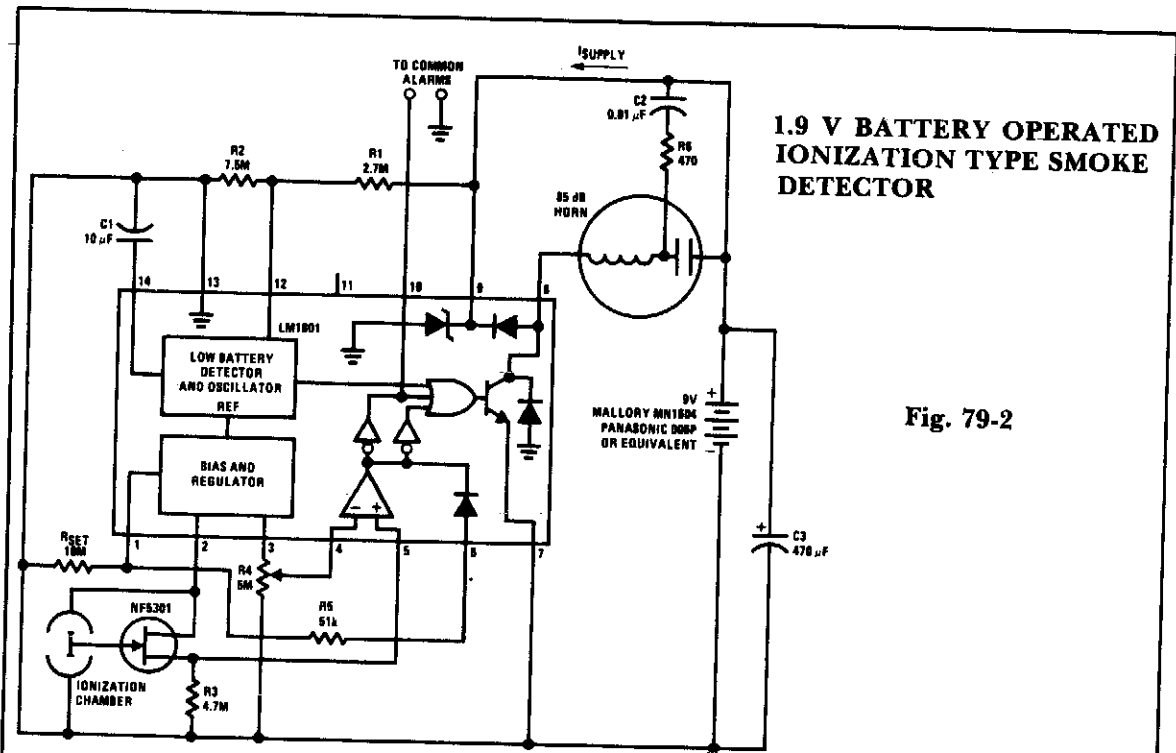
Fig. 79-1

- Notes: 1. IR Diode RCA Type SG 1010A or Spectronics Type SE 5455-4  
 Clairex Type CLED-1  
 2. IR Photo detectors Vactec VTS4085

### Circuit Notes

The LED predriver output pulses an external transistor which in turn, switches on the infrared light emitting diode at a very low duty cycle. The desired IR LED pulse period is determined by the value of the external timing resistor. The Smoke Sensitivity is adjustable through a trimmer resistor which varies the IR

LED pulse width. The light sensing element is a silicon photovoltaic cell which is held at near zero bias to minimize leakage currents. The circuit can detect signals as low as 1 mV and generate an alarm. The IR LED pulse repetition rate increases when smoke is detected.





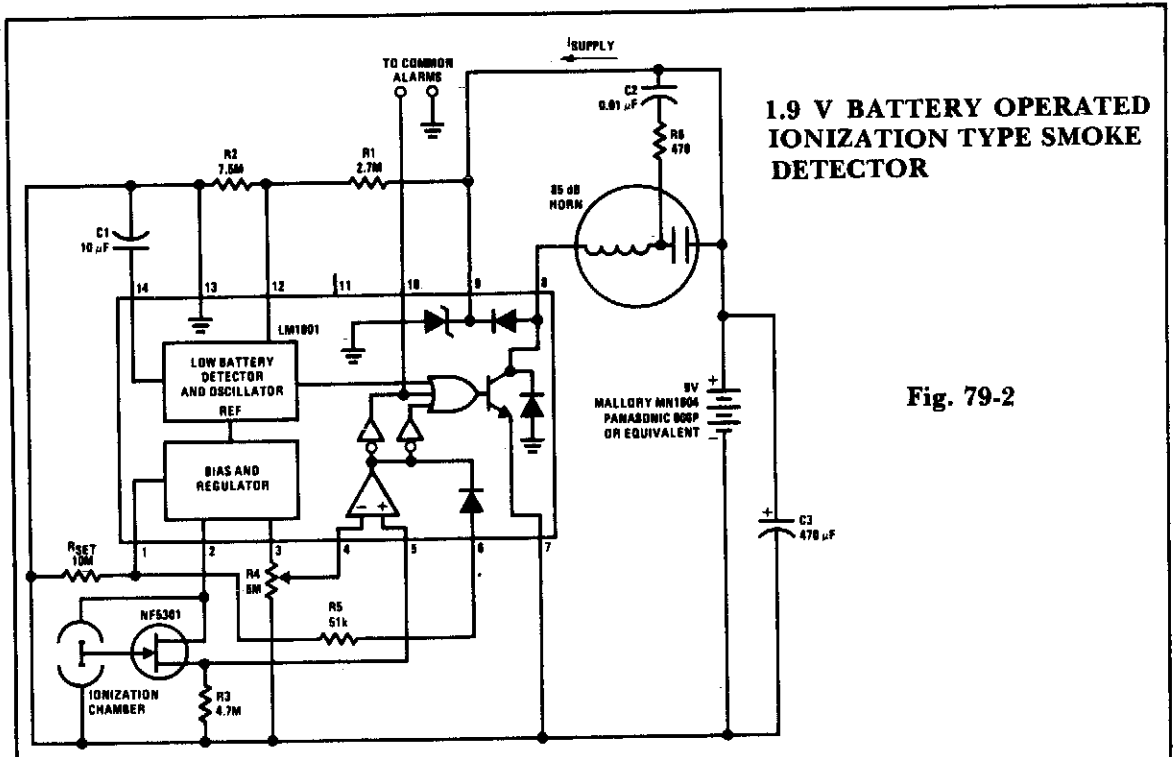


Fig. 79-2

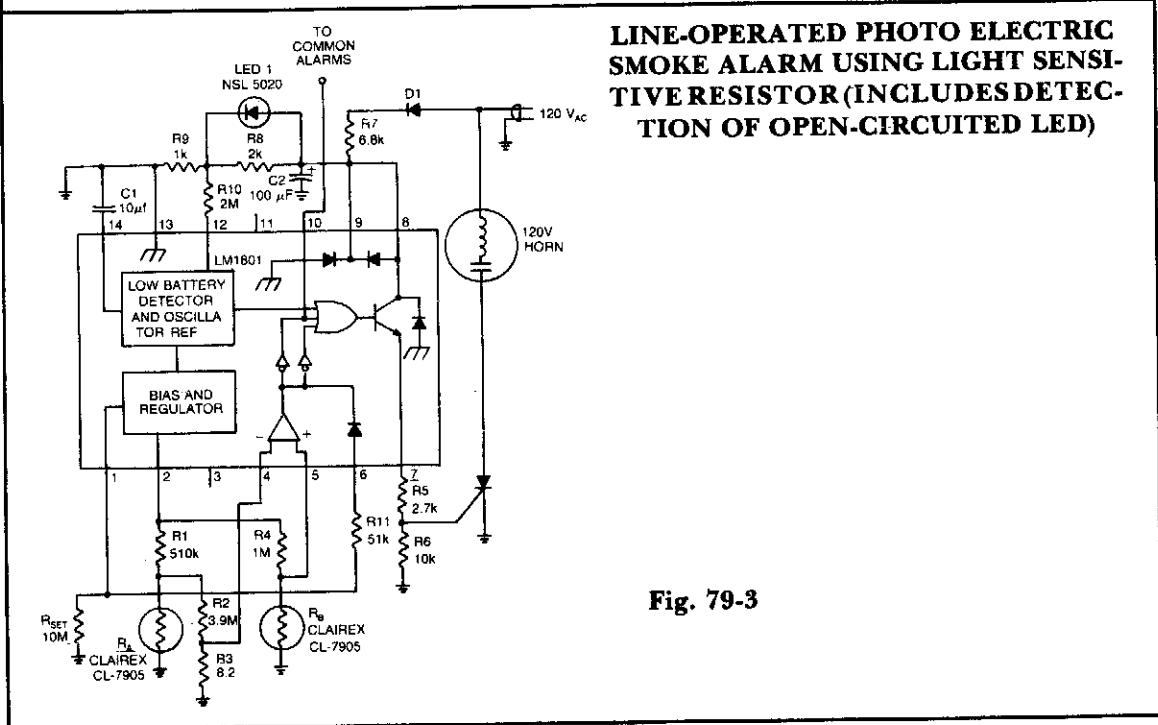


Fig. 79-3

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## Sound Effect Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Voltage-Controlled Amplifier or Tremolo Circuit | Tone Burst Generator             |
| Music Synthesizer                               | Musical Chime Generator          |
| Preprogrammed Single-Chip Microcontroller for   | Sound Effect Generator           |
| Musical Organ                                   | Programmable Bird Sounds         |
| Musical Envelope Generator and Modulator        | Stereo Reverb Enhancement System |
| Stereo Reverb System                            | Siren/Space War/Phasor Gun       |
|   | Four Channel Synthesizer         |

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER OR TREMOLO CIRCUIT

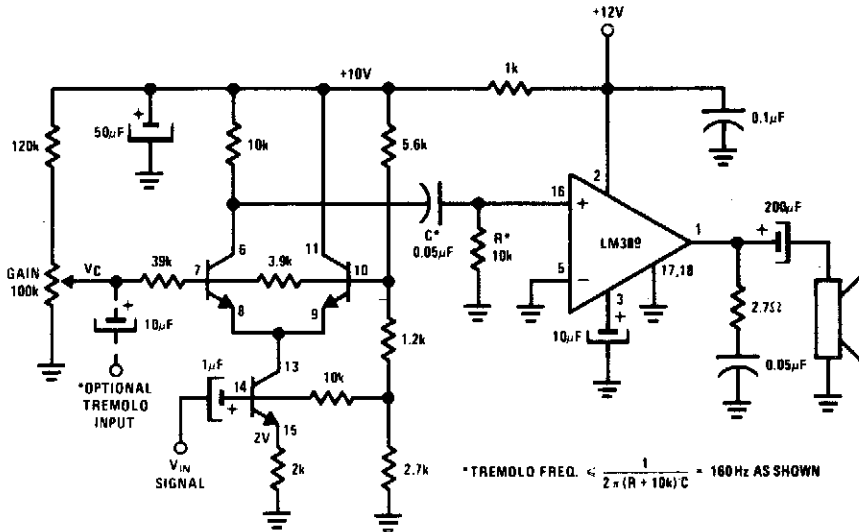


Fig. 80-1

### Circuit Notes

The transistors form a differential pair with an active current-source tail. This configuration, known technically as a variable-transconductance multiplier, has an output proportional to the product of the two input signals. Multiplication occurs due to the dependence of the transistor transconductance on

the emitter current bias. Tremolo (amplitude modulation of an audio frequency by a sub-audio oscillator—normally 5-15 Hz) applications require feeding the low frequency oscillator signal into the optional input shown. The gain control pot maybe set for optimum depth.

## MUSIC SYNTHESIZER

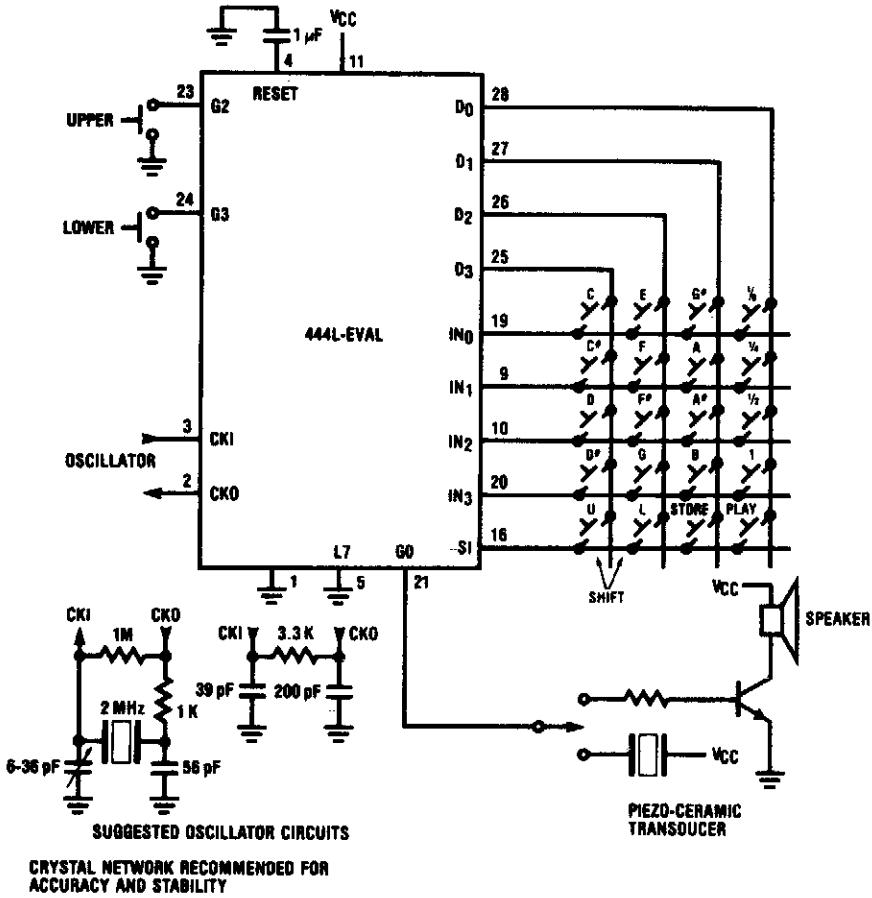


Fig. 80-2

### Circuit Notes

Three modes of operation are available in the music synthesizer mode: play a note, play one of four stored tunes, or record a tune for subsequent replay.

## PREPROGRAMMED SINGLE-CHIP MICROCONTROLLER FOR MUSICAL ORGAN

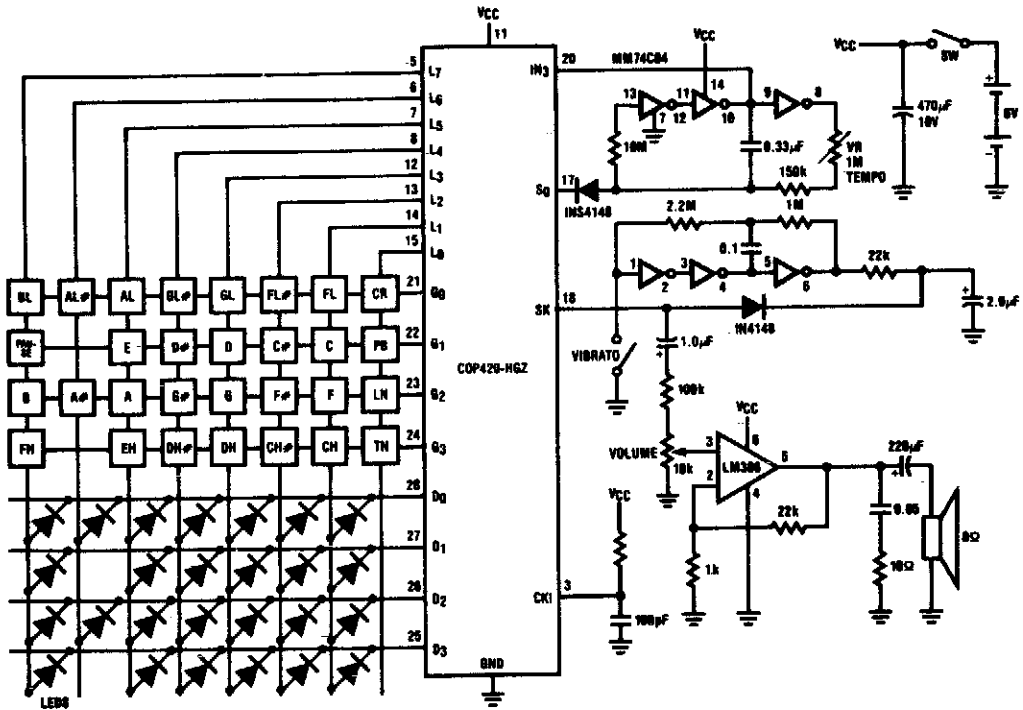


Fig. 80-3

### Circuit Notes

Twenty-five musical keys and 25 LEDs are provided to denote F to F'' with half notes in between. Memory can store a played tune. There are ten preprogrammed tunes (each has an average of 55 notes) masked in the chip. Any

tune can be recalled by depressing the Tune Button followed by the corresponding Sharp Key. In learn mode, the player can learn the ten preprogrammed tunes.

## MUSICAL ENVELOPE GENERATOR AND MODULATOR

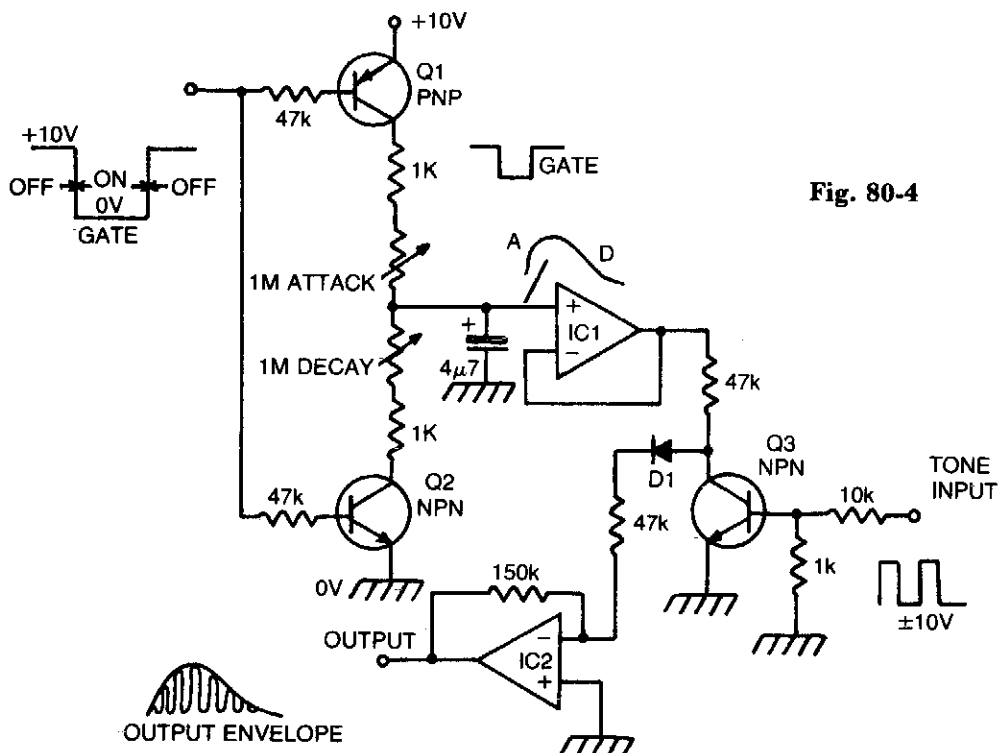


Fig. 80-4

### Circuit Notes

When a gate voltage is applied, Q1 is turned on and capacitor C is charged via the attack pot in series with the 1-K resistor varying this pot, attack time constant. A fast attack gives a percussive sound, a slow attack the affect of "backward" sounds. When the gate voltage returns to its off state, Q2 is turned on and capacitor is discharged via decay pot to ground. The envelope is buffered by IC1 and applied to Q3, which is used as a transistor

chopper. A musical tone in the form of a squarewave is connected to the base of Q3. This turns the transistor on or off and thus the envelope is chopped up at regular intervals, the intervals being determined by the pitch of the squarewave. The resultant waveform has the amplitude of the envelope and the harmonic structure of the squarewave. IC2 buffers the signal and D1 ensures that the envelope dies away at the end of a note.

# STEREO REVERB SYSTEM

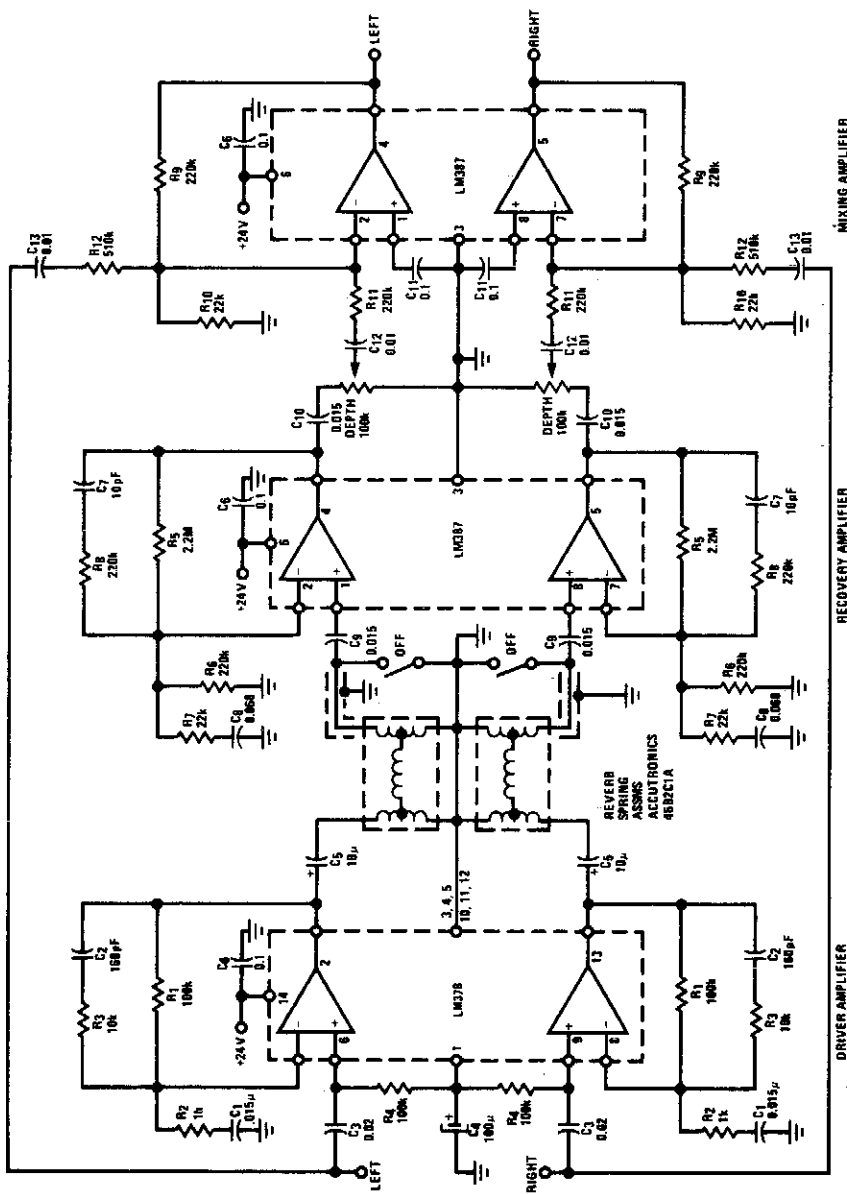
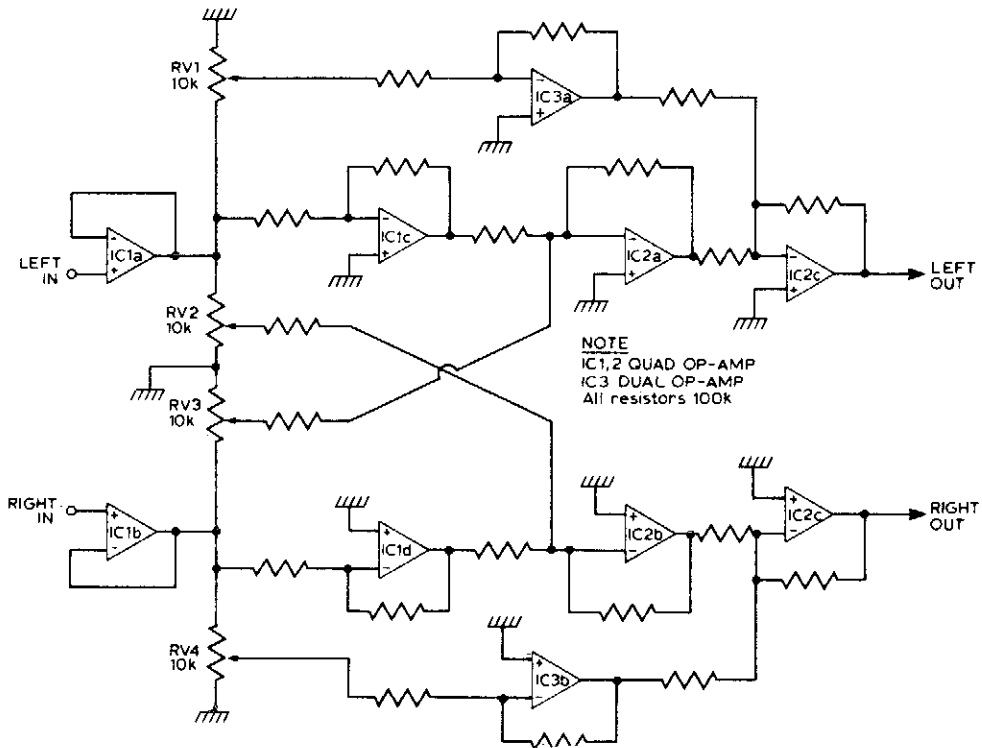


Fig. 80-5

## Circuit Notes

The LM378 dual power amplifier is used as the spring driver. The recovery amplifier is a low noise dual preamplifier. Mixing of the delayed signal with the original is done with another LM387 used in an inverting summing configuration.

## FOUR CHANNEL SYNTHESIZER



**Fig. 80-6**

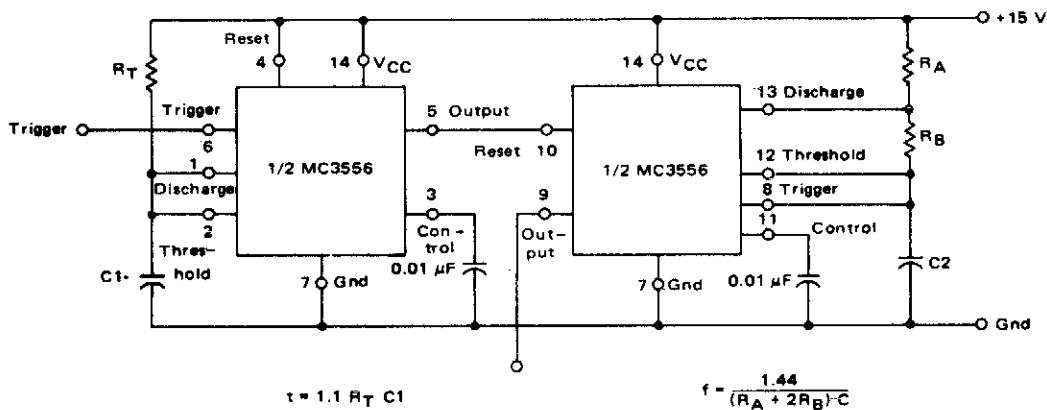
### Circuit Notes

This circuit will synthesize two rear channels for quadrasonic sound when fed with a stereo signal. The rear output for the left channel, is a combination of the left channel input

180 out of phase, added to a proportion of the right hand channel (also out of phase). The right hand rear output is obtained in a similar way.



## TONE BURST GENERATOR



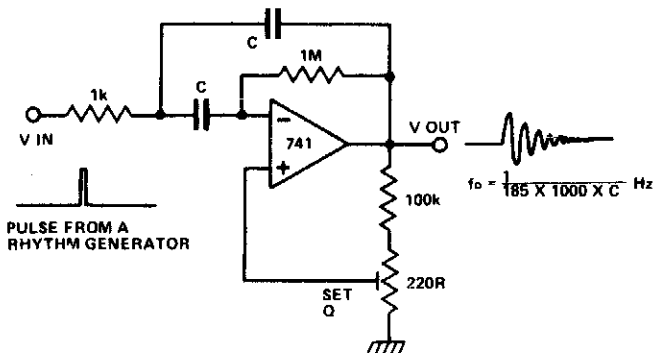
**Fig. 80-7**

### Circuit Notes

The first timer is used as a monostable and determines the tone duration when triggered by a positive pulse at pin 6. The second timer is

enabled by the high output of the monostable. It is connected as an astable and determines the frequency of the tone.

## MUSICAL CHIME GENERATOR



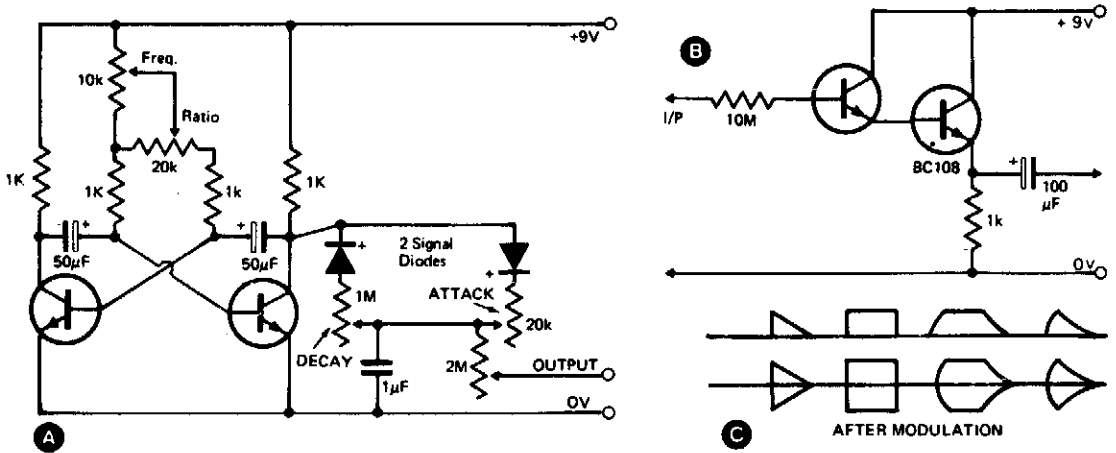
**Fig. 80-8**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is that of a multiple feedback bandpass filter. A short click (pulse), makes it ring with a frequency which is its natural resonance frequency. Oscillations die away exponentially and closely resemble many naturally occurring percussive or plucked sounds. The higher the Q the longer the decay time con-

stant. High frequency resonances resemble chimes, lower frequencies sound like claves or bongos. Several circuits, all with different tuning, driven by pulses from a rhythm generator can produce an interesting pattern of sounds.

## SOUND EFFECT GENERATOR



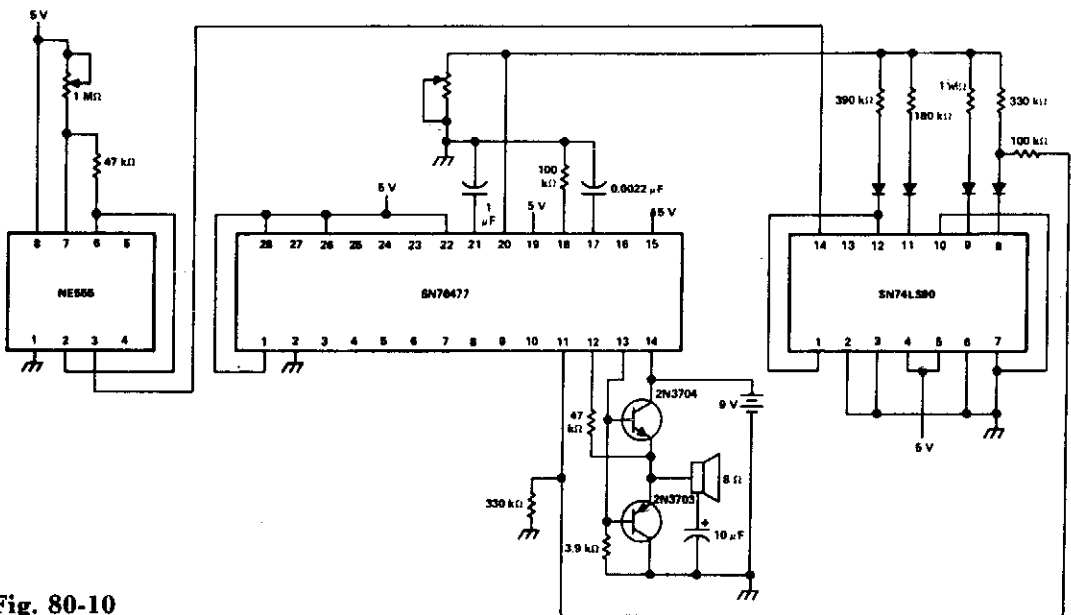
**Fig. 80-9**

### Circuit Notes

This waveshape generator is basically a slow running oscillator with variable attack and decay. A variable amplitude (high impedance) output is available via the 2 M potentiometer. B

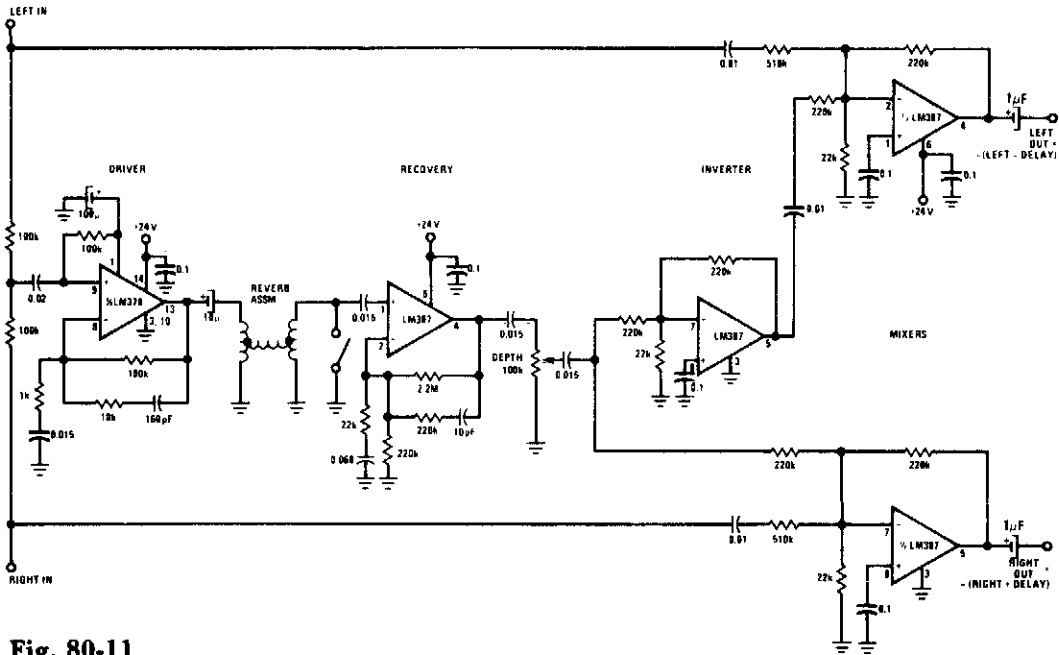
shows an add-on circuit which should be used if a low impedance output is required. Some of the output waveforms that can be produced are shown in C.

## PROGRAMMABLE BIRD SOUNDS



**Fig. 80-10**

## STEREO REVERB ENHANCEMENT SYSTEM

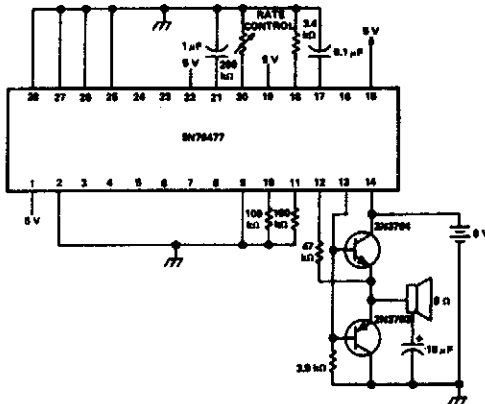


**Fig. 80-11**

### Circuit Notes

The system can be used to synthesize a stereo effect from a monaural source such as AM radio or FM-mono broadcast, or it can be added to an existing stereo (or quad) system where it produces an exciting "opening up" special effect that is truly impressive.

## SIREN/SPACE WAR/PHASOR GUN



**Fig. 80-12**

### Circuit Notes

The one shot and decay functions could be added to make an ideal phasor gun sound.

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## Sound (Audio) Operated Circuits

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**T**he sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Voice Activated Switch and Amplifier  
Audio Operated Relay  
Sound-Modulated Light Source

Audio-Controlled Lamp  
Sound Activated Relay  
Sound Operated Two-Way Switch

## VOICE ACTIVATED SWITCH AND AMPLIFIER

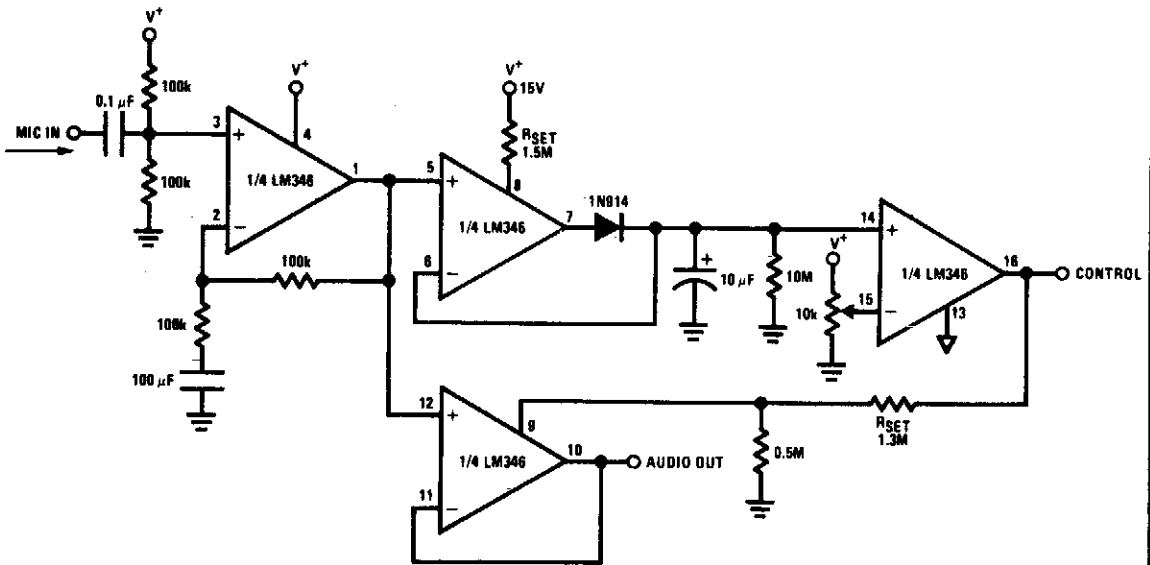


Fig. 81-1

## AUDIO OPERATED RELAY

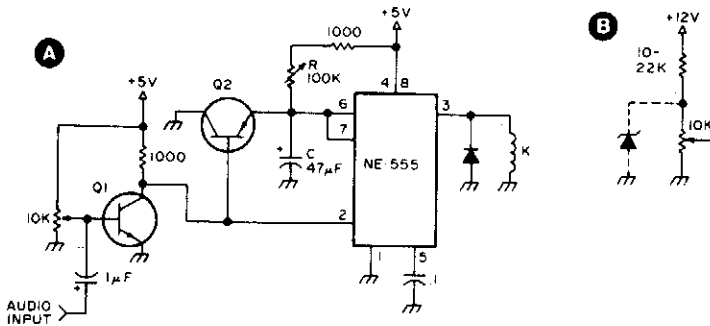


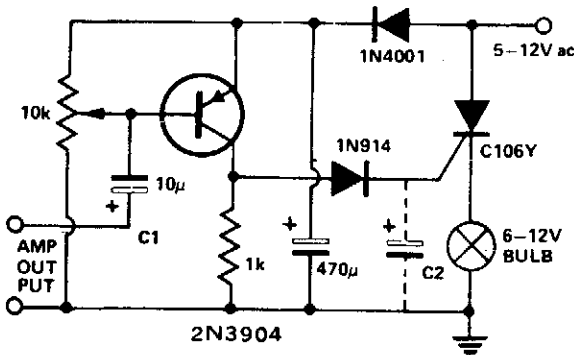
Fig. 81-2

### Circuit Notes

Q1 and Q2 are general purpose transistors. The 10 K input pot is adjusted to a point just short of where Q1 turns on as indicated by K pulling in. K is any 5 V reed relay. With the values shown for R (100 K) and C (47  $\mu$ F),

timing values from .05 to slightly over 5 seconds can be achieved. B shows the addition of a 22 K series resistor to the 10 K input pot if a 12 V supply is used. A suitable 12 V reed relay must be used at K.

### SOUND-MODULATED LIGHT SOURCE



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit modulates a light beam with voice or music from the output of an amplifier. If the 10 K pot is adjusted to slightly less than the  $V_{be}$  of the transistor, the circuit forms a peak detector. This drives the gate of the SCR, lighting the bulb whose brightness will vary as the sound level varies. C2 may be removed for a faster response.

Fig. 81-3

### AUDIO-CONTROLLED LAMP

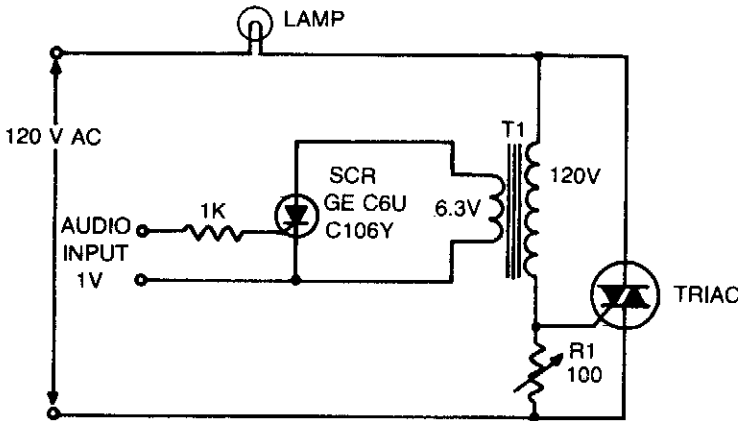


Fig. 81-4

NOTE: T1 IS A 6.3V, 1A. "FILAMENT" TRANSFORMER. ADJUST R1 FOR MAXIMUM RESISTANCE THAT WILL NOT TURN ON LAMP WITH ZERO INPUT.

#### Circuit Notes

This is an on-off control with isolated, low voltage input. Since the switching action is very rapid, compared with the response time of the lamp and the response of the eye, the effect

produced with audio input is similar to a proportional control circuit. If the input signal to the SCR consists of phase-controlled pulses, full wave control of the lamp load is obtained.

## SOUND ACTIVATED RELAY

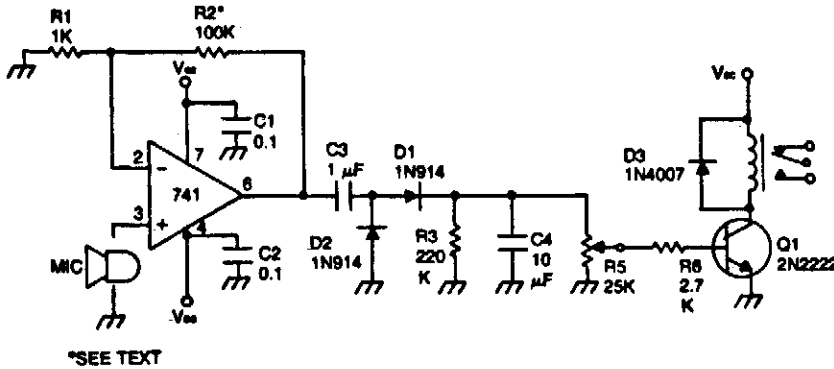


Fig. 81-5

### Circuit Notes

The device remains dormant (in an off condition) until some sound causes it to turn on. The input stage is a 741 operational amplifier connected as a noninverting follower audio amplifier. Gain is approximately 100. To in-

crease gain raise the value of R2. The amplified signal is rectified and filtered to a dc level by R4. Then R5 is set to the audio level desired to activate the relay.

## SOUND OPERATED TWO-WAY SWITCH

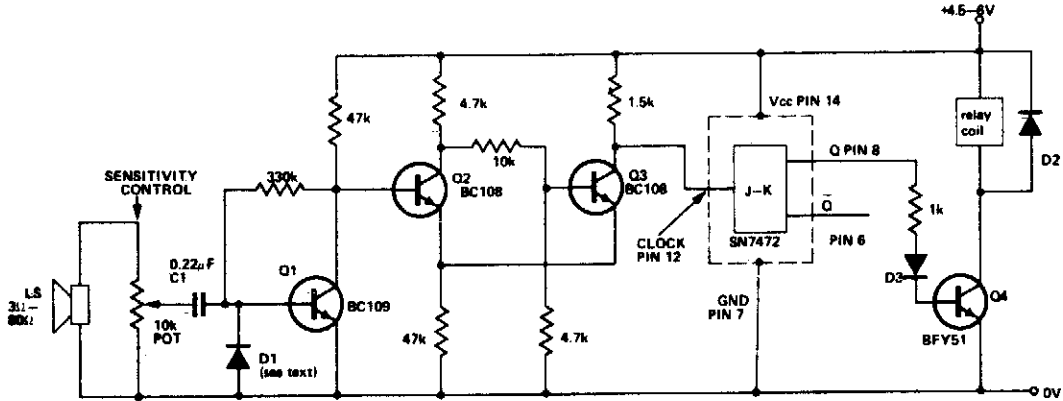


Fig. 81-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates a relay each time a sound of sufficient intensity is made, thus one clap of the hands will switch it one way, a second clap will revert the circuit to the original condition. Q2 and Q3 form a Schmitt trig-

ger. The JK flip-flop is used as a bistable whose output changes state every time a pulse is applied to the clock input (pin 12). Q4 allows the output to drive a relay.

## Square Wave Oscillators

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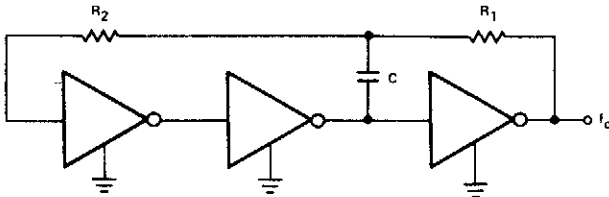
R/C Oscillator  
1 kHz Square Wave Oscillator  
TTL Oscillator  
Square Wave Oscillator  
Adjustable TTL Clock  
Square Wave Oscillator  
Oscillator/Clock Generator

CMOS Oscillator  
Free-Running Square-Wave Oscillator  
Precision Squares  
Square Wave Oscillator  
0.5 Hz Square-Wave Oscillator  
Simple Triangle/Square Wave Oscillator  
Squarewave Oscillator



## R/C OSCILLATOR

$$f_o \approx \frac{1}{2 C [0.41 R_P + 0.70 R_1]}, \quad R_P = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$



Gates are 74C04

a. If  $R_1 = R_2 = R_1$ ,  $f \approx 0.55/RC$

b. If  $R_2 \gg R_1$ ,  $f \approx 0.45/R_1 C$

c. If  $R_2 \ll R_1$ ,  $f \approx 0.72/R_1 C$

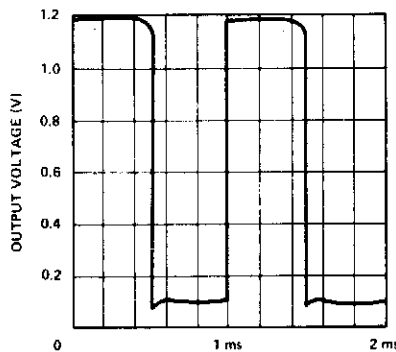
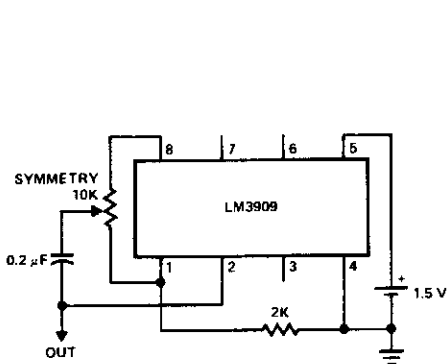
a.  $f = 120 \text{ kHz}$ ,  $C = 420 \text{ pF}$   
 $R_1 = R_2 \approx 10.9 \text{ k}\Omega$

b.  $f = 120 \text{ kHz}$ ,  $C = 420 \text{ pF}$ ,  $R_2 = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$   
 $R_1 = 8.93 \text{ k}\Omega$

c.  $f = 120 \text{ kHz}$ ,  $C = 220 \text{ pF}$ ,  $R_2 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$   
 $R_1 = 27.3 \text{ k}\Omega$

Fig. 82-1

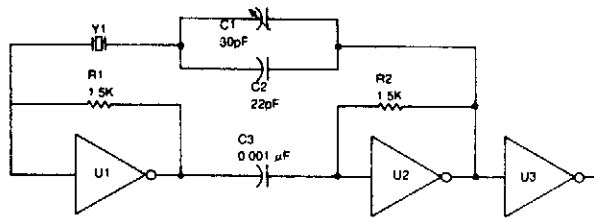
## 1 kHz SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR



Note: Output Voltage Through a 10K Load to Ground

Fig. 82-2

## TTL OSCILLATOR



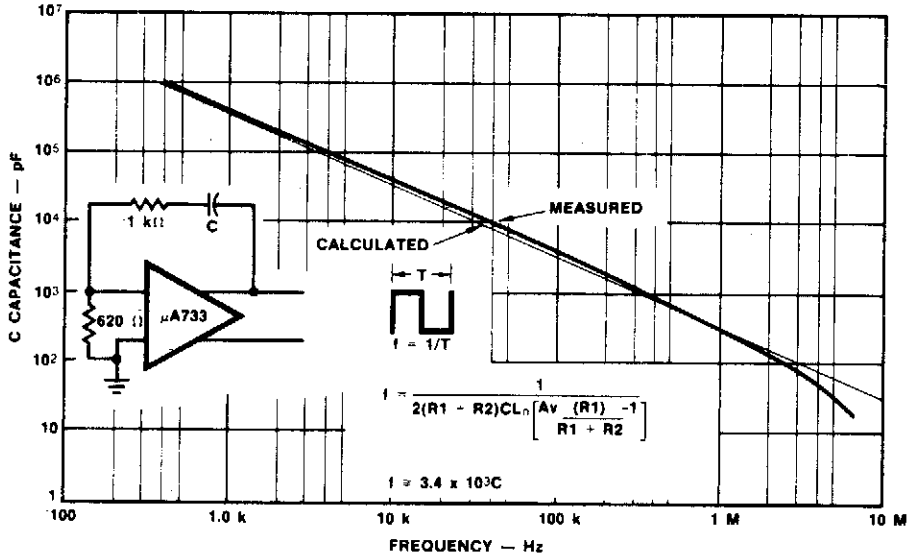
**Fig. 82-3**

### Circuit Notes

TTL inverter stages, U1 and U2, are cross-connected with a crystal Y1. A resistor in each stage biases the normally digital gates into a region where they operate as amplifiers. Inverter stage U3 is used as a buffer.

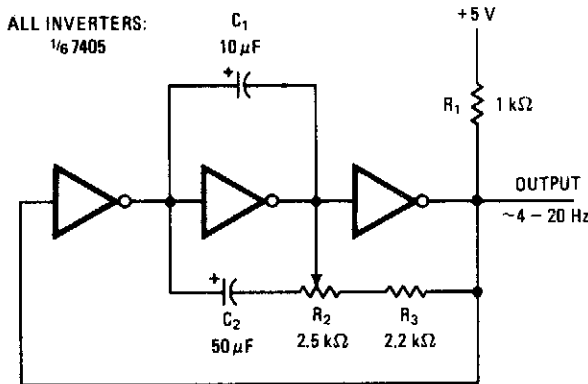
## SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR

### Oscillator Frequency for Various Capacitor Values



**Fig. 82-4**

## ADJUSTABLE TTL CLOCK (MAINTAINS 50% DUTY CYCLE)



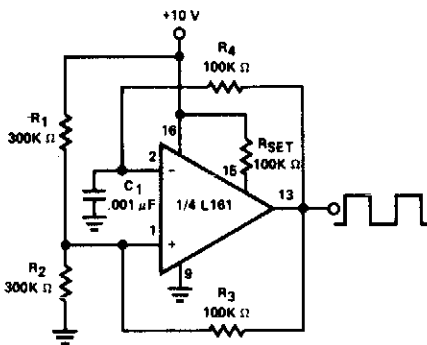
**Fig. 82-5**

### Circuit Notes

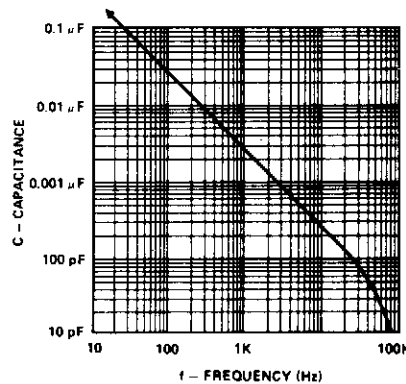
Symmetry of the square-wave output is maintained by connecting the right side of R2 through resistor R3 to the output of the third amplifier stage. This changes the charging current to the capacitors in proportion to the setting of frequency-adjusting potentiometer R2. Thus, a duty cycle of 50% is constant over the entire range of oscillation. The lower fre-

quency limit is set by capacitor C2. With the components shown, the frequency of oscillation can be varied by R2 from about 4 to 20 hertz. Other frequency ranges can be obtained by changing the values of C1 and R3, which control the upper limit of oscillation, or C2, which limits the low-frequency end.

## SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 82-6**



Frequency vs the Value of C<sub>1</sub>  
for the Squarewave Oscillator

### Circuit Notes

This generator is operable to over 100 kHz. The low frequency limit is determined by C1. Frequency is constant for supply voltages down to +5 V.

## OSCILLATOR/CLOCK GENERATOR

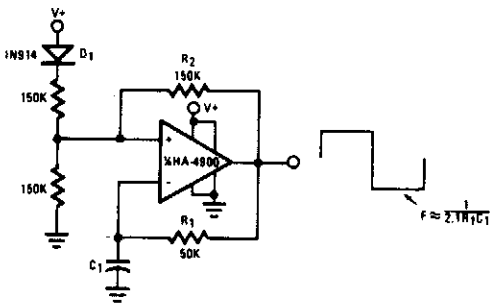


Fig. 82-7

### Circuit Notes

This self-starting fixed frequency oscillator circuit gives excellent frequency stability. R1 and C1 comprise the frequency determining network while R2 provides the regenerative feedback. Diode D1 enhances the stability by compensating for the difference between  $V_{OH}$  and  $V_{Supply}$ . In applications where a precision clock generator up to 100 kHz is required, such as in automatic test equipment, C1 may be replaced by a crystal.

## CMOS OSCILLATOR

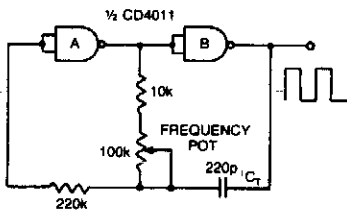


Fig. 82-8

### Circuit Notes

Varying the 100 K pot changes the discharge rate of  $C_r$  and hence the frequency. A square wave output is generated. The maximum frequency using CMOS is limited to 2 MHz.

## FREE-RUNNING SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

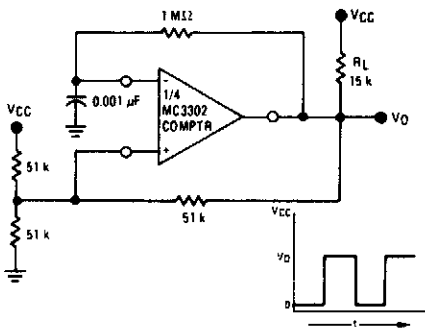
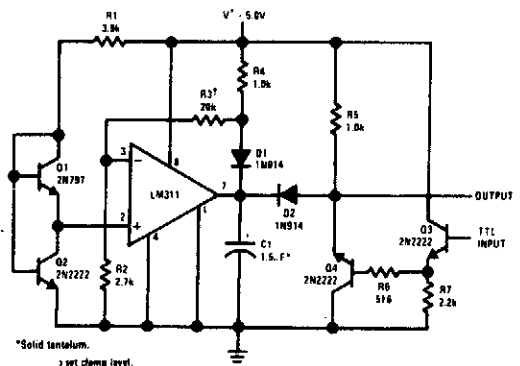


Fig. 82-9

## PRECISION SQUARER



\*Solid tantalum.  
> set clamp level.

Fig. 82-10

### SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR

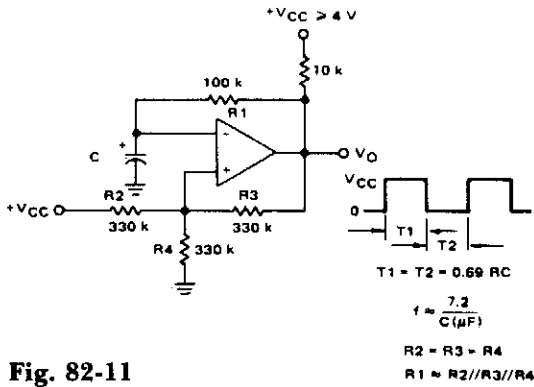


Fig. 82-11

### 0.5 Hz SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

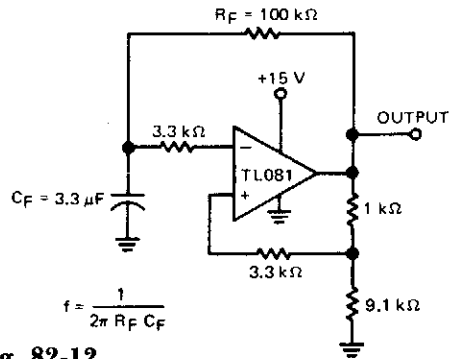


Fig. 82-12

### SIMPLE TRIANGLE/SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR

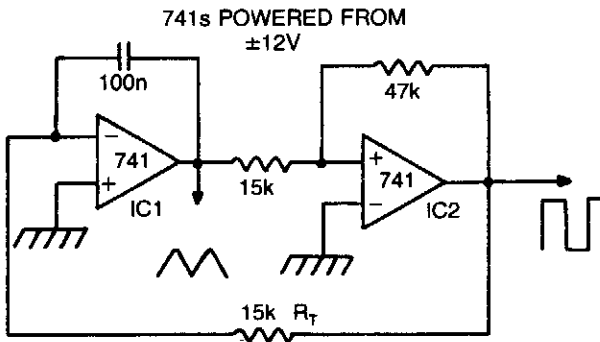


Fig. 82-13

#### Circuit Notes

By making  $R_T$  variable it is possible to alter the operating frequency over a 100 to 1 range. Versatile triangle/square wave oscillator has a possible frequency range of 0.1 Hz to 100 kHz.

### SQUAREWAVE OSCILLATOR

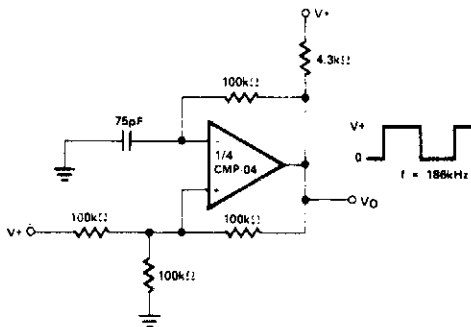


Fig. 82-14

# 83

## Stereo Balance Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Stereo Balance Meter

Stereo Balancer

Stereo Balance Meter

## STEREO BALANCE METER

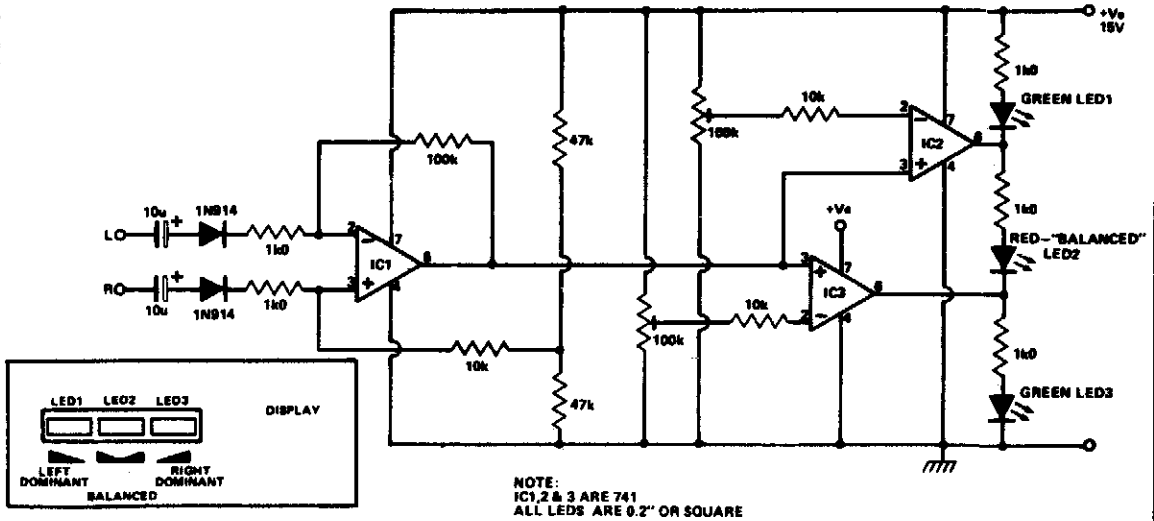


Fig. 83-1

### Circuit Notes

Outputs from each channel are fed to the two inputs of IC1 connected as a differential amplifier. IC2 and 3 are driven by the output of IC1. Output of IC1 is connected to the noninverting inputs of IC2 and 3. If the output of IC1 approaches the supply rail, the outputs of ICs 2 and 3 will also go high, illuminating LED3. This

would happen if the right channel were dominating. If the left channel was dominant, the outputs of ICs 2 and 3 would be low, illuminating LED1. If the two channels are equal in amplitude, the outputs of ICs 2 and 3 would be high and low respectively, lighting up LED2.

### STEREO BALANCER

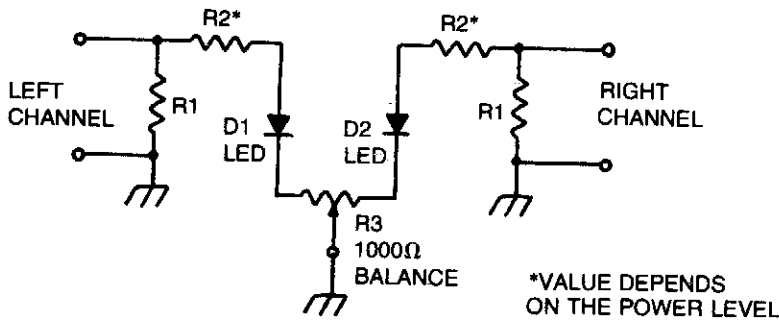


Fig. 83-2

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will allow you to set the gain of two stereo channels to the same level. The signal across the two channel-load resistors is sampled by resistors R2. (Values of these resistors will depend upon the power level.) For most 20 milliamper LED, use approximately 2.5 K per watt. (For a 10-watt system use a 25,000 ohm resistor.) To set up, short the two inputs and connect them to one channel of a power amplifier. Apply a signal and adjust R3

until both LEDs glow at the same brightness level. The balancer is ready for use. Connect the inputs of the stereo balancer across the output of the power amplifier, and then turn up either the independent volume controls, or the balance control until both LEDs glow at the same level. To use this circuit in-line with loudspeakers, disconnect both R1s, and use the speakers as the load.

### STEREO BALANCE METER

- PARTS LIST FOR  
STEREO BALANCE METER**
- D1, D2—Silicon rectifier rated 100 PIV at any low current
  - M1—Zero-center DC mA meter (see text)
  - R1, R2—1000-ohm, ½-watt resistor, 5% or 1%

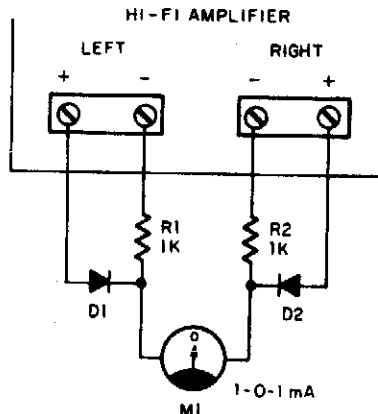


Fig. 83-3

#### Circuit Notes

Play any stereo disc or tape and then set the amplifier to mono. Adjust left and right channel balance until meter M1 indicates zero; then the left and right output level are identical.



# 84

## Switches

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

DTL-TTL Controlled Buffered Analog  
Switch

High Toggle Rate High Frequency Analog  
Switch

Differential Analog Switch

High Frequency Switch

Two-Channel Switch

10 A, 25 VDC Solid State Relays

## DTL-TTL CONTROLLED BUFFERED ANALOG SWITCH

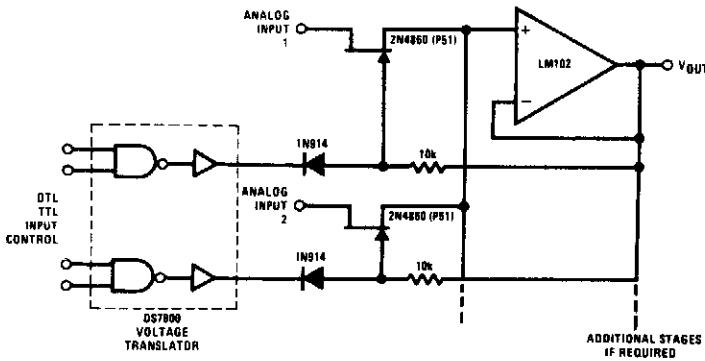


Fig. 84-1

### Circuit Notes

This analog switch uses the 2N4860 JFET for its 25 ohm  $r_{on}$  and low leakage. The LM102 serves as a voltage buffer. This circuit can be adapted to a dual trace oscilloscope chopper.

The DS7800 monolithic IC provides adequate switch drive controlled by DTL/TTL logic levels.

## HIGH TOGGLE RATE HIGH FREQUENCY ANALOG SWITCH

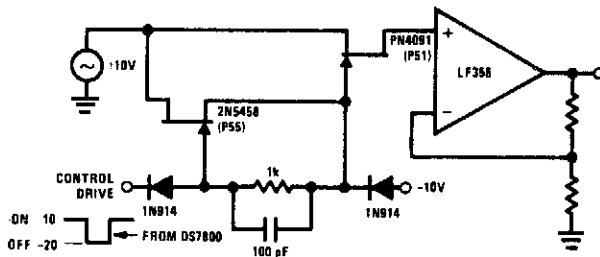


Fig. 84-2

### Circuit Notes

Commutator circuit provides low impedance gate drive to the PN4091 analog switch for both on and off drive conditions. This circuit also approaches the ideal gate drive conditions

for high frequency signal handling by providing a low ac impedance for off drive and high ac impedance for on drive to the PN4091

### DIFFERENTIAL ANALOG SWITCH

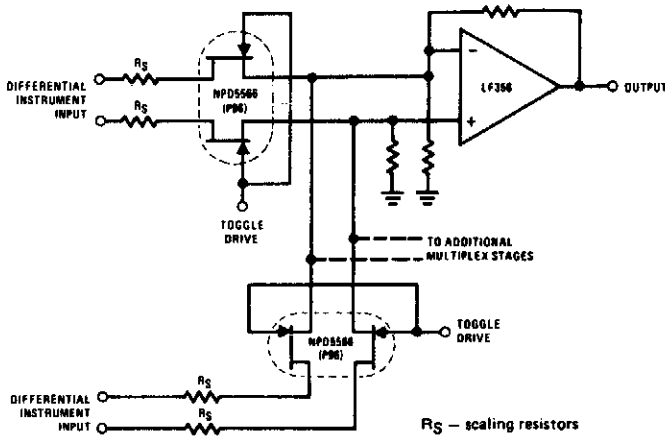


Fig. 84-3

#### Circuit Notes

The NPD5566 monolithic dual is used in a differential multiplex application where  $R_{ds(ON)}$  should be closely matched. Since  $R_{ds(ON)}$  for the monolithic dual tracks at better than  $\pm 1\%$  over wide temperature ranges ( $-25^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+125^\circ\text{C}$ ),

this makes it an unusual but ideal choice for an accurate multiplexer. This close tracking greatly reduces errors due to common-mode signals.

### HIGH FREQUENCY SWITCH

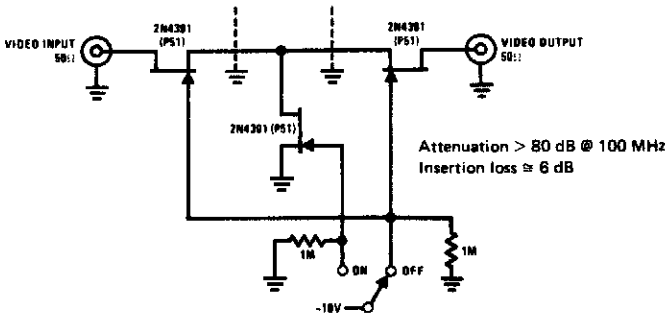
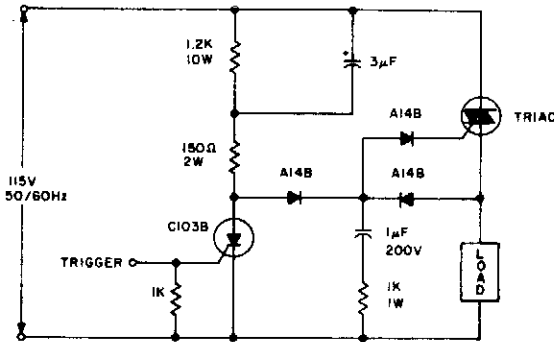


Fig. 84-4

#### Circuit Notes

The 2N4391 provides a low ON resistance of 30 ohm and a high OFF impedance ( $< 0.2$  pF) when off. With proper layout and an ideal switch, the performance stated above can be readily achieved.

## TRIAC ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCHING

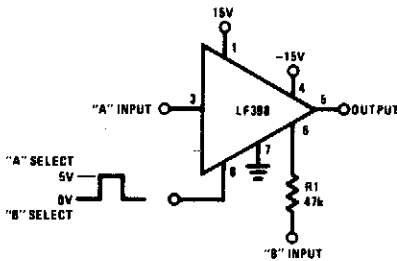


### Circuit Notes

The triac will be gated on at the start of the positive half cycle by current flow through the  $3\ \mu\text{F}$  capacitor as long as the C103 SCR is off. The load voltage then charges up the  $1\ \mu\text{F}$  capacitor so that the triac will again be energized during the subsequent negative half cycle of line voltage. A selected gate triac is required because of the III+ triggering mode.

Fig. 84-5

## TWO-CHANNEL SWITCH



|                   | A                       | B                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Gain              | $1 \pm 0.02\%$          | $1 \pm 0.2\%$             |
| $Z_{IN}$          | $10^{10}\ \Omega$       | $47\ \text{k}\Omega$      |
| BW                | $\approx 1\ \text{MHz}$ | $\approx 400\ \text{kHz}$ |
| Crosstalk @ 1 kHz | -90 dB                  | -90 dB                    |
| Offset            | $\leq 6\ \text{mV}$     | $\leq 75\ \text{mV}$      |

Fig. 84-6

## 10 A, 25 Vdc SOLID STATE RELAYS

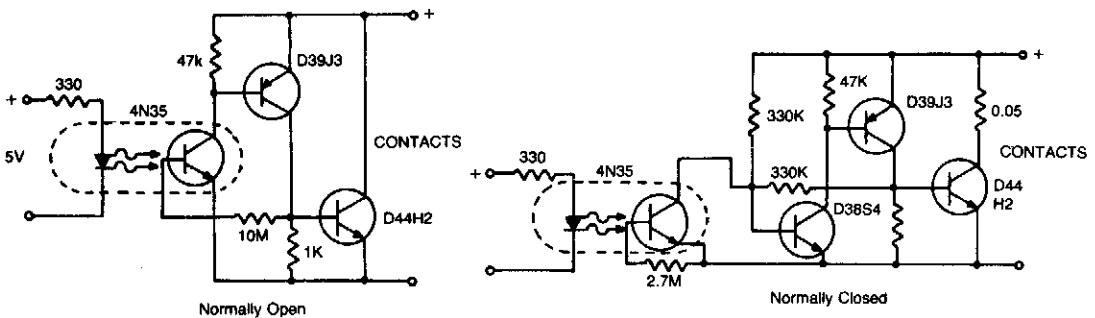


Fig. 84-7

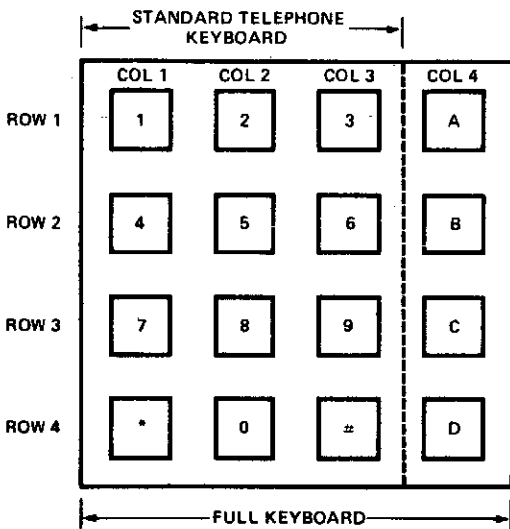
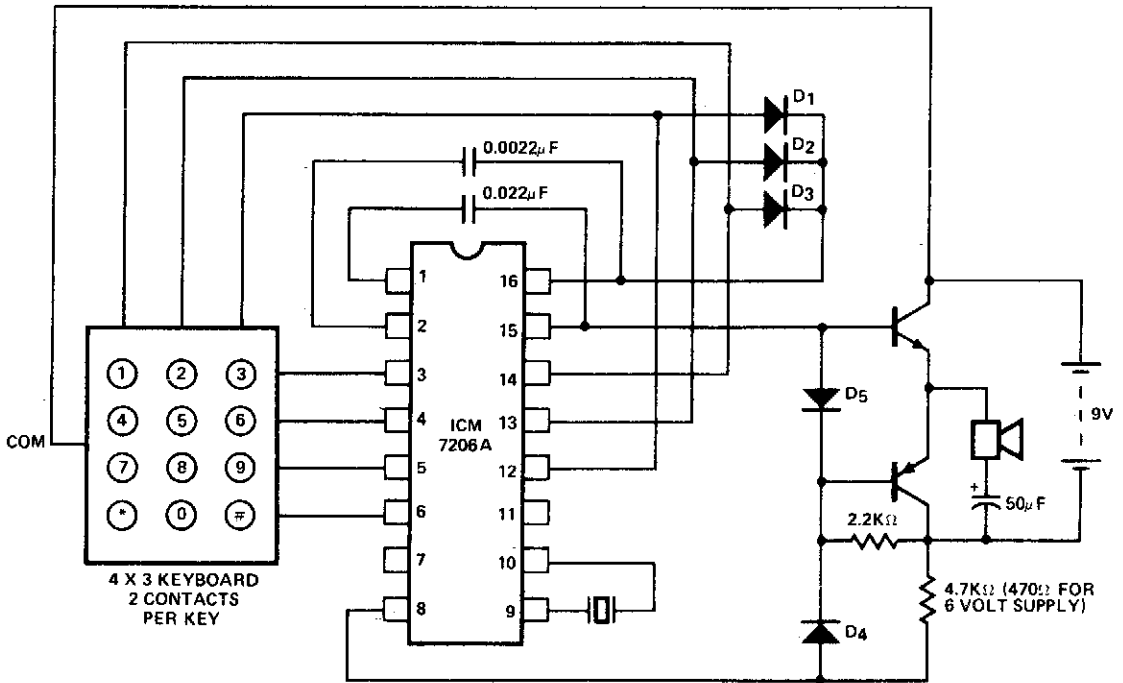
## Telephone Related Circuits

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|   |   |
|---|---|
| Portable Tone Generator                             | Tone Dial Decoder                               |
| Telephone Status Monitor Using an Op-<br>toisolator | Telephone Relay                                 |
| Telephone Tone Ringer                               | Telephone-Controlled Tape Starter (TCTS)        |
| F.C.C. Approved Telephone Tone Ringer               | Telephone Line Powered Repertory Dialer         |
| Telephone or Extension Tone Ringer                  | Telephone Off-Hook Indicator                    |
| Telephone Line Monitor                              | Telephone Handset Tone Dial Encoder             |
| Tone Dial Generator                                 | Low Line Loading Ring Detector                  |
| Tone Dial Encoder                                   | Phone Auto Answer and Ring Indicator            |
| Tone Dial Sequence Decoder                          | Autopatch Telephone Phone Line Interface        |
| Remote Ring Extender Switch                         | Telephone Ringer Uses Piezoelectric De-<br>vice |
|   | Electronic Phone Bell                           |

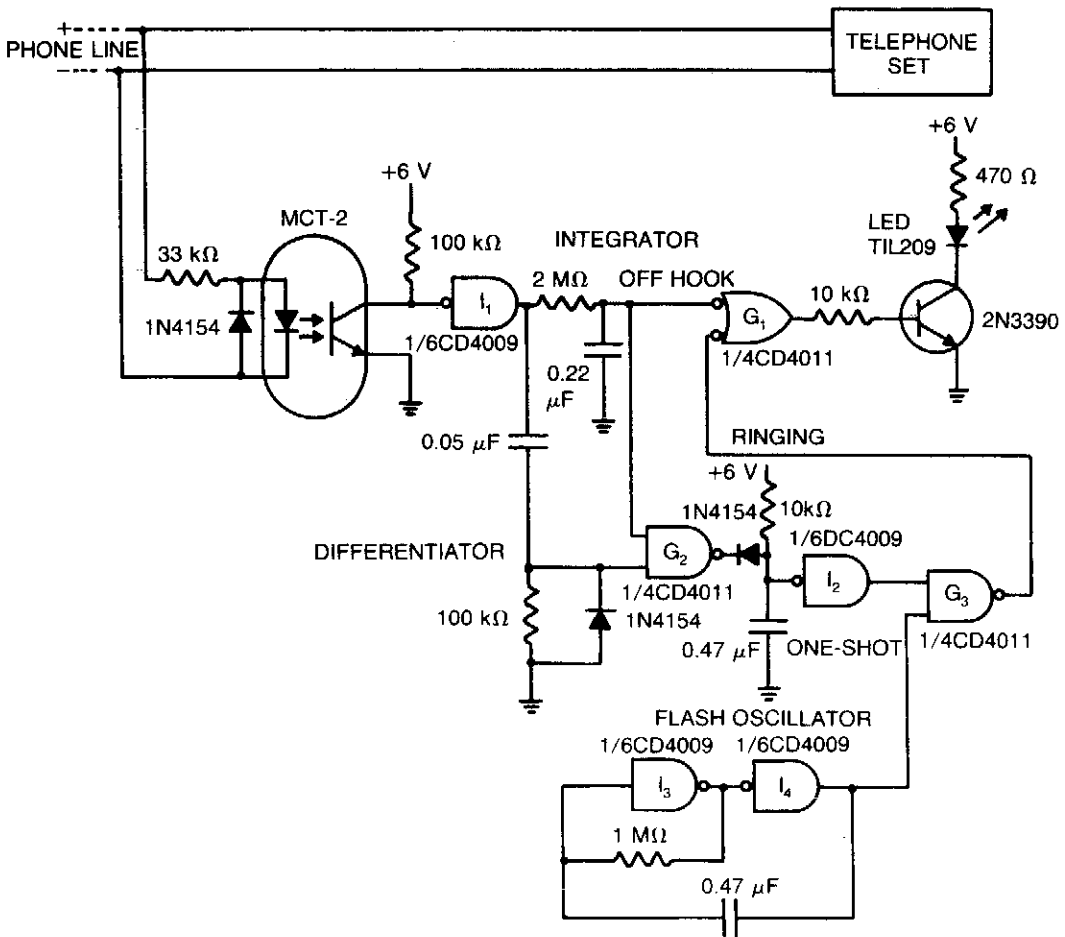
## PORTABLE TONE GENERATOR



| KEY | LOW BAND<br>FREQ. Hz | HI BAND<br>FREQ. Hz |
|-----|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1   | 697                  | 1209                |
| 2   | 697                  | 1336                |
| 3   | 697                  | 1477                |
| 4   | 770                  | 1209                |
| 5   | 770                  | 1336                |
| 6   | 770                  | 1477                |
| 7   | 852                  | 1209                |
| 8   | 852                  | 1336                |
| 9   | 852                  | 1477                |
| *   | 941                  | 1209                |
| 0   | 941                  | 1336                |
| #   | 941                  | 1477                |
| A   | 697                  | 1633                |
| B   | 770                  | 1633                |
| C   | 852                  | 1633                |
| D   | 941                  | 1633                |

Fig. 85-1

## TELEPHONE STATUS MONITOR USING AN OPTOISOLATOR



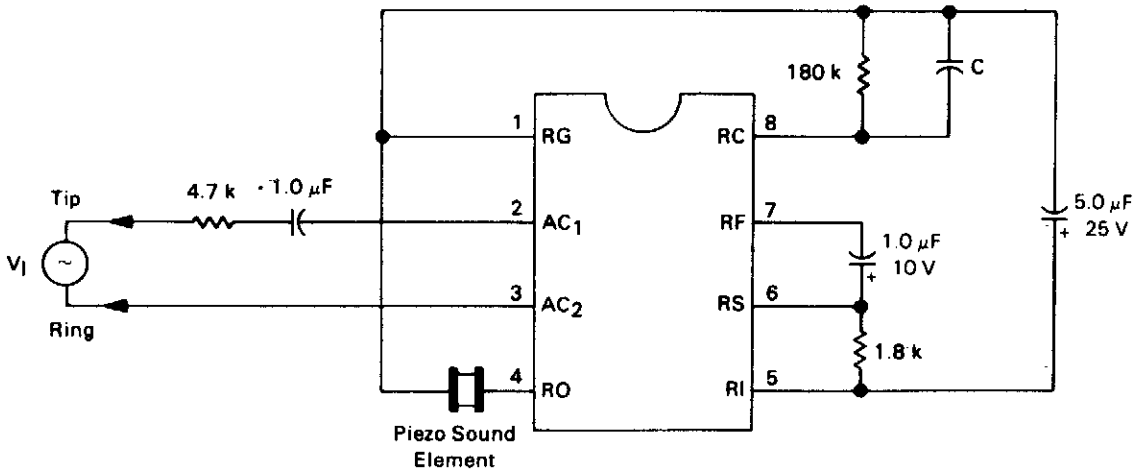
**Fig. 85-2**

### Circuit Notes

The LED indicates the status of a remote telephone. The light is off if the phone is hung up. It shines steadily if the phone is off hook, and it flashes on and off while phone rings and for 5 seconds after ringing stops. The flashing

oscillator operates continuously but can drive the LED only when a ringing signal discharges the one shot capacitor to enable NAND gate G<sub>3</sub>. Thus, one oscillator handles several phone lines.

### TELEPHONE TONE RINGER



- MC34012-1: C = 1000 pF
- MC34012-2: C = 500 pF
- MC34012-3: C = 2000 pF

Fig. 85-3

#### Circuit Notes

This is a complete telephone bell replacement circuit with minimum external components with on-chip diode bridge and transient protection and direct drive for piezoelectric transducers.

### F.C.C. APPROVED TELEPHONE TONE RINGER

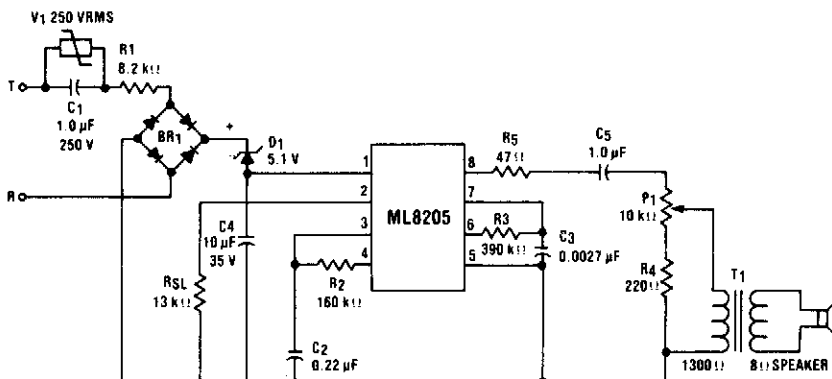


Fig. 85-4



## TELEPHONE OR EXTENSION TONE RINGER

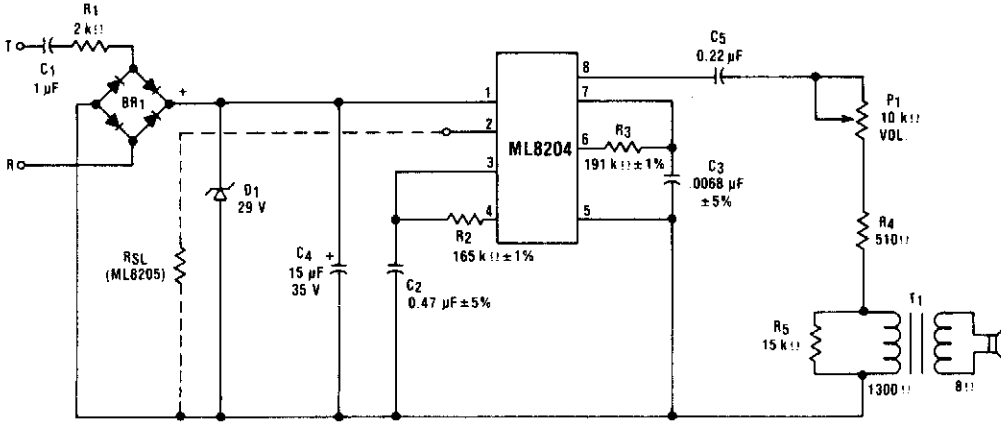


Fig. 85-5

### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses ML8204/ML8205 devices. With the components shown, the output frequency chops between 512 Hz ( $f_{H1}$ ) and 640 Hz ( $f_{H2}$ ) at a 10 Hz ( $f_L$ ) rate.

## TELEPHONE LINE MONITOR

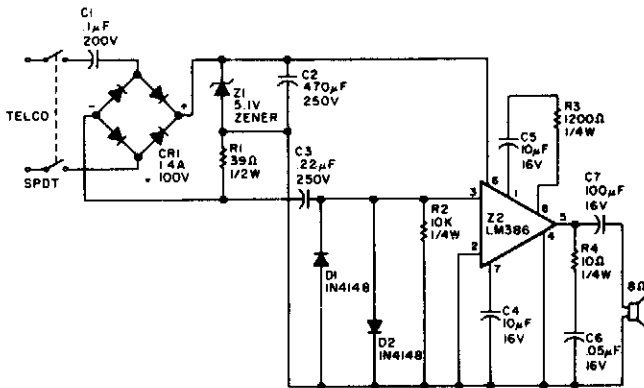


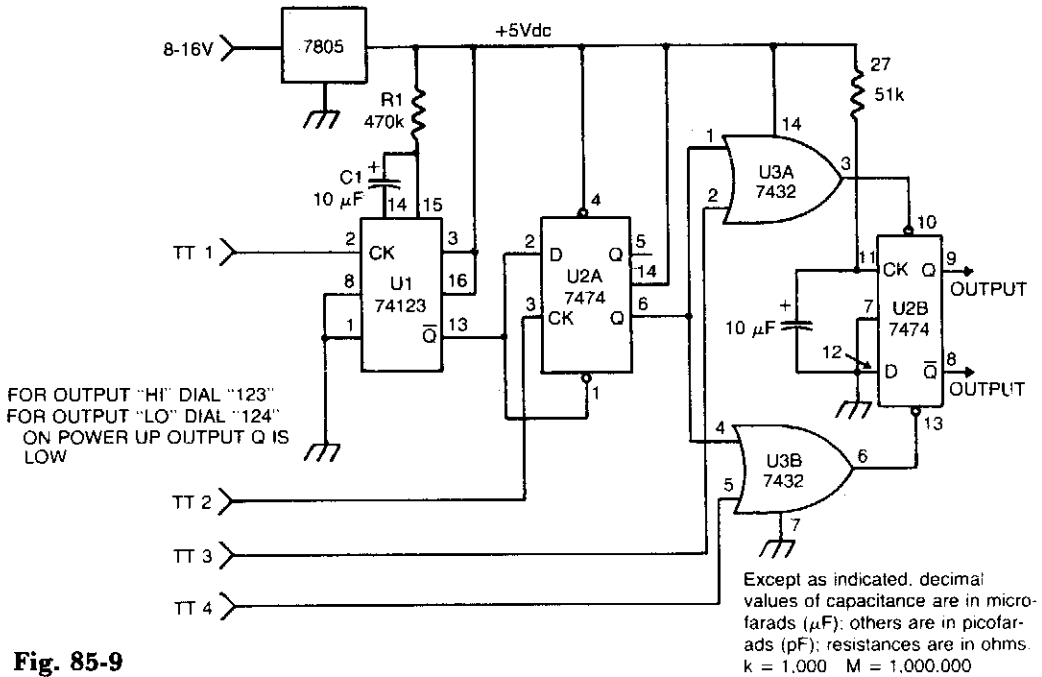
Fig. 85-6

### Circuit Notes

Using rectified audio as a power supply, this monitor will send the telephone line audio into an 8 ohm speaker.



## TONE DIAL SEQUENCE DECODER

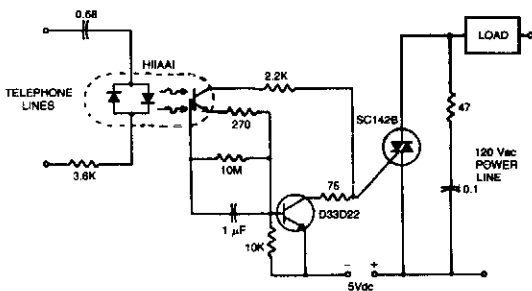


**Fig. 85-9**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit takes active low inputs from a Touch Tone decoder and reacts to a proper sequence of digits. The proper sequence is determined by which Touch Tone digits the user connects to the sequence decoder inputs TT1, TT2, TT3, and TT4.

## REMOTE RING EXTENDER SWITCH



### Circuit Notes

The circuit can operate lamps and buzzers from the 120 V, 60 Hz power line while maintaining positive isolation between the telephone line and the power line. Use of the isolated tab triac simplifies heat sinking by removing the constraint of isolating the triac heat sink from the chassis.

**Fig. 85-10**

## TONE DIAL DECODER

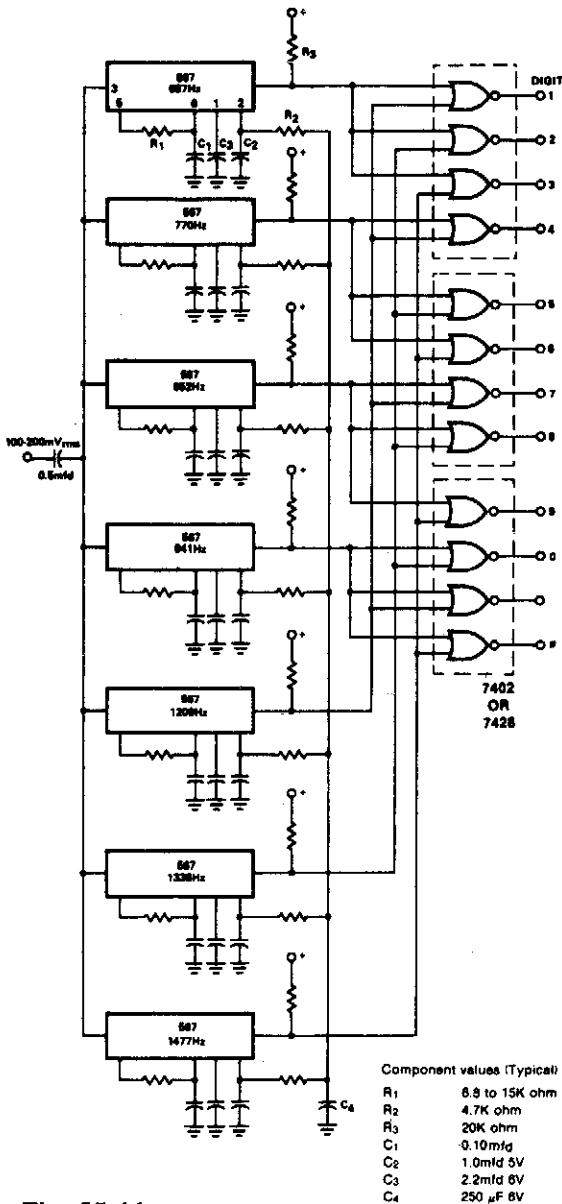
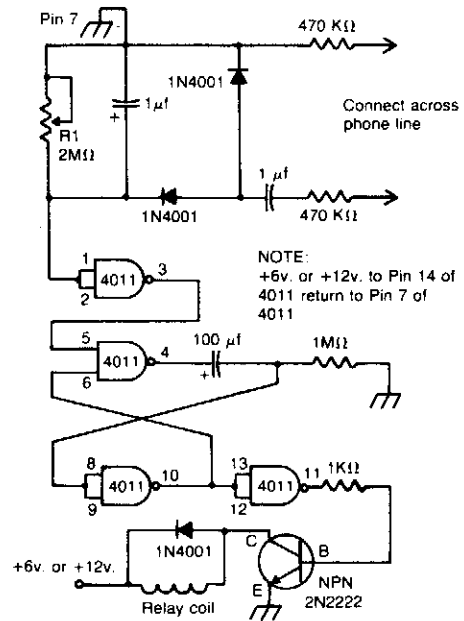


Fig. 85-11

## TELEPHONE RELAY



### Circuit Notes

Connected across the bell circuit of phone, this circuit closes a relay when the phone is ringing. Use the delay contacts to actuate any bell, siren, buzzer or lamp.

Fig. 85-12

## TELEPHONE-CONTROLLED TAPE STARTER (TCTS)

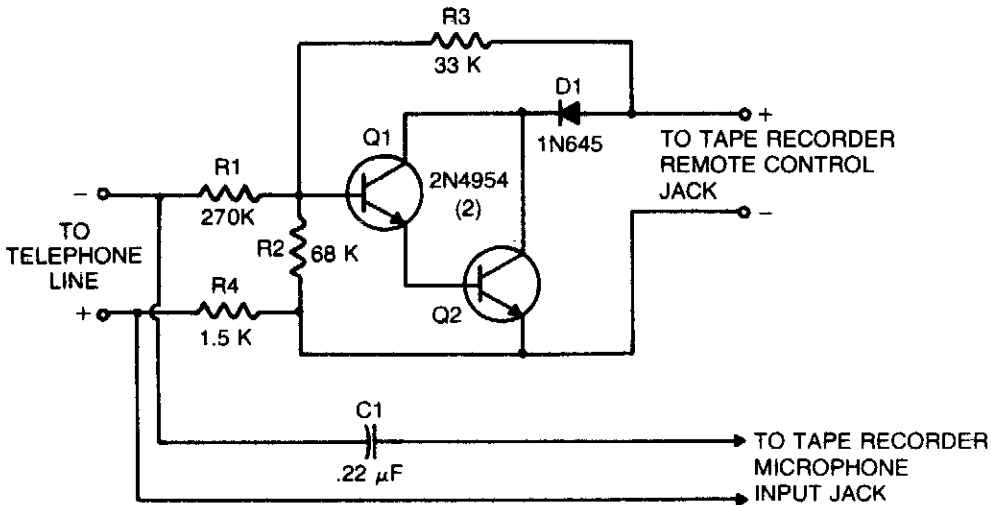


Fig. 85-13

### Circuit Notes

This circuit converts a tape recorder into a completely automatic telephone conversation recording instrument that needs no external power source. Voltage at the switch terminals of tape recorder applied to a pair of Darlington-connected transistors, Q1 and Q2, will turn on and start the tape recorder. To turn the transistors off, and thereby stop the machine, apply a negative voltage to the base of Q1 from the phone line. When the telephone

receiver is on the hook, there is typically about 50 volts dc across the phone divided across R1, R2, and R4 in such a way that the base of Q1 is sufficiently negative to keep the tape recorder off. When the phone's receiver is picked up, the voltage on the telephone line drops to about 5 volts, which leaves insufficient negative voltage on the base of Q1 to keep it cut off, so the tape recorder starts and begins to record.

## TELEPHONE-LINE POWERED REPERTORY DIALER

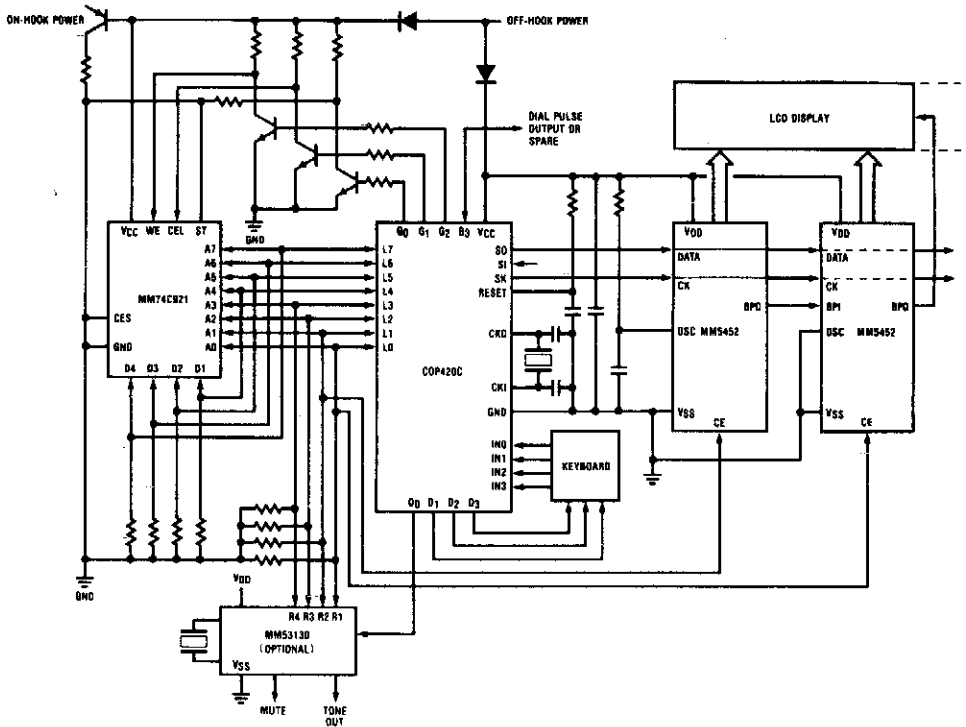


Fig. 85-14

### Circuit Notes

Repertory dialer phone has a library of fifteen frequently used numbers, (plus the last number dialed) stored in a standard CMOS RAM. A pushbutton keyboard enables tele-

phone numbers to be keyed in and dialed out directly or a telephone number to be stored in the RAM and dialed automatically.

## TELEPHONE OFF-HOOK INDICATOR

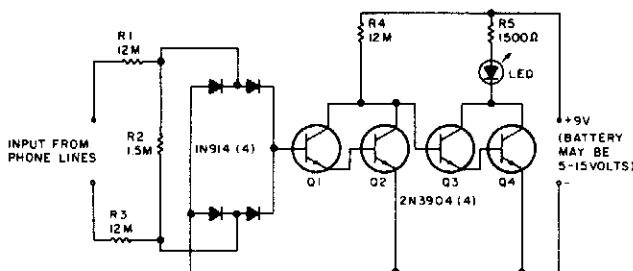


Fig. 85-15

### Circuit Notes

The LED flickers when the phone is ringing or being dialed. It glows steadily when the phone is off the hook.

## TELEPHONE HANDSET TONE DIAL ENCODER

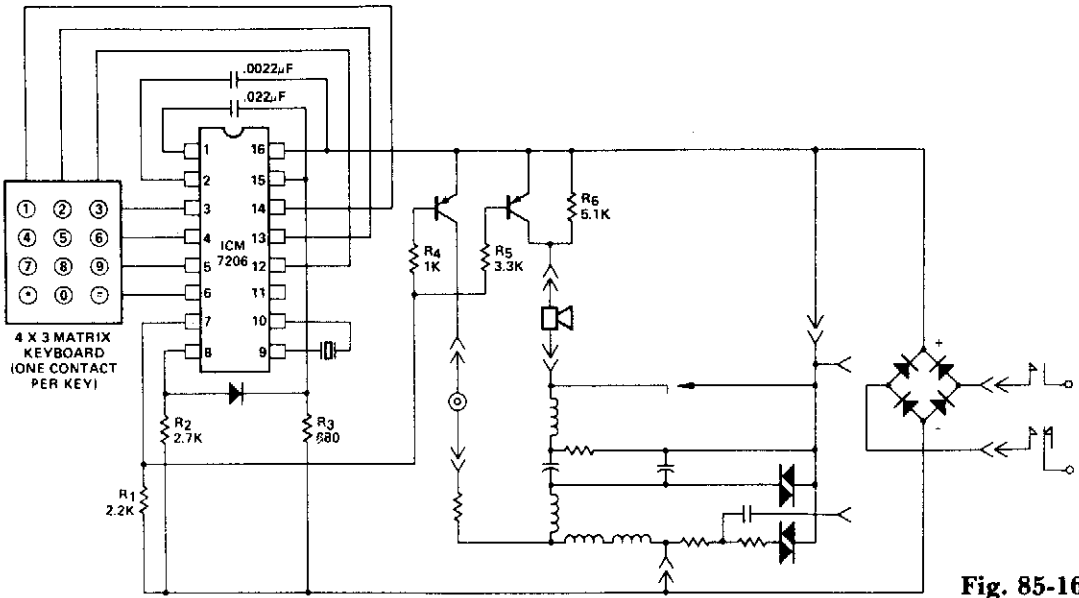


Fig. 85-16

### Circuit Notes

This encoder uses a single contact per key keyboard and provides all other switching function electronically. The diode between terminals 8 and 15 prevents the output going more

than 1 volt negative with respect to the negative supply  $V^-$ . The circuit operates over the supply voltage range from 3.5 volts to 15 volts.

## LOW LINE LOADING RING DETECTOR

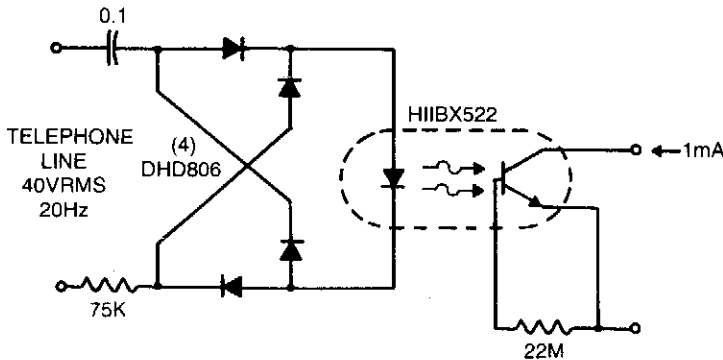


Fig. 85-17

### Circuit Notes

Low line current loading is provided by the H11BX52 photodarlington optocoupler, which provides a 1 mA output from a 0.5 mA input.





## TELEPHONE RINGER USES PIEZOELECTRIC DEVICE

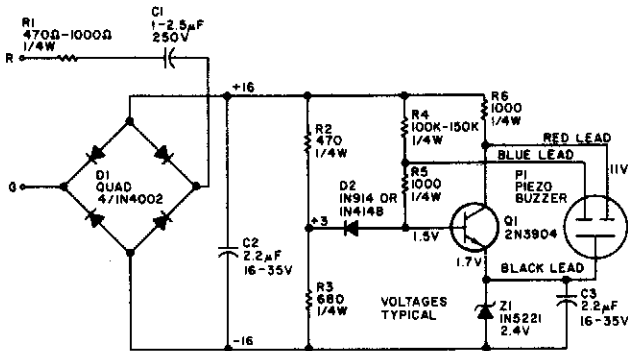


Fig. 85-20

### Circuit Notes

The electronic bell needs no power supply. Most of the resistors are not critical, although C2, R2, and R3 work best at the values given. Leaving out R1 will make the unit ring louder. The piezo buzzer may vary from store

to store. If it has two leads, connect the red lead to the collector and the black lead to the emitter of Q1. If a third (blue) lead is present, connect it to the base of Q1.

## ELECTRONIC PHONE BELL

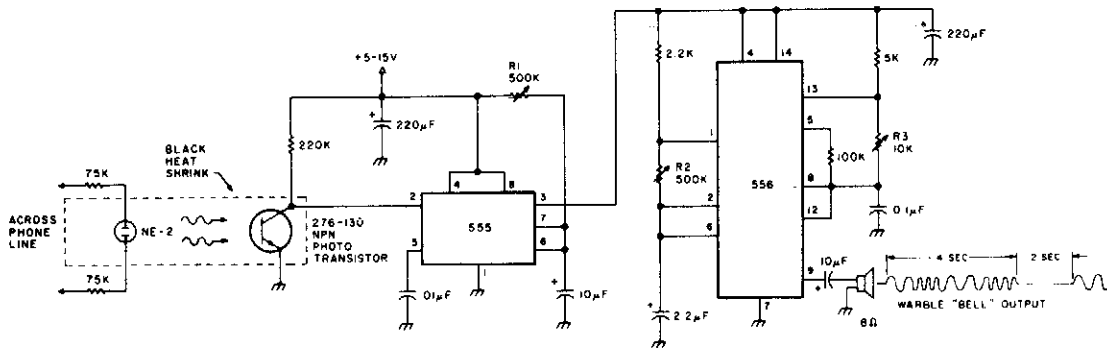


Fig. 85-21

### Circuit Notes

The speaker emits a distinctive warble tone when ring pulses are applied to the phone line. Use this circuit as a remote bell or disconnect the phone's ringer for direct use. R1 adjusts the duration of the output; R2 and R3

control the tone's duty cycle and frequency. The transistor is a general-purpose NPN photodevice. The neon bulb and transistor are coupled with the heat-shrink tubing to form an optoisolator.

# 86

## Temperature Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Boiler Control                              | Temperature Controller                 |
| Heater Control                              | Single-Setpoint Temperature Controller |
| Two-Wire Remote AC Electronic<br>Thermostat | Temperature Controller                 |
| Three-Wire Electronic Thermostat            | Temperature Control                    |
| Temperature-Sensitive Heater Control        | Temperature Controller                 |
|   | Temperature Controller                 |

Portable Calibrator

## BOILER CONTROL

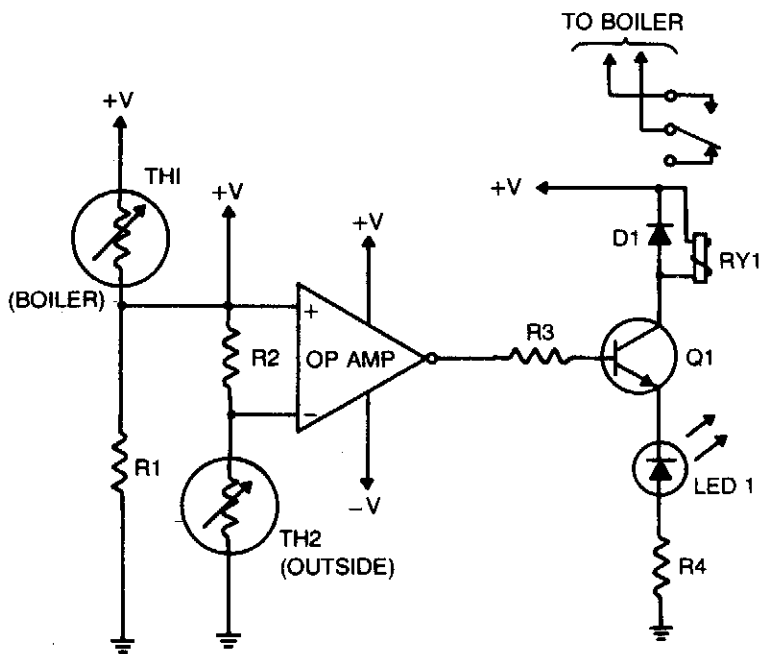


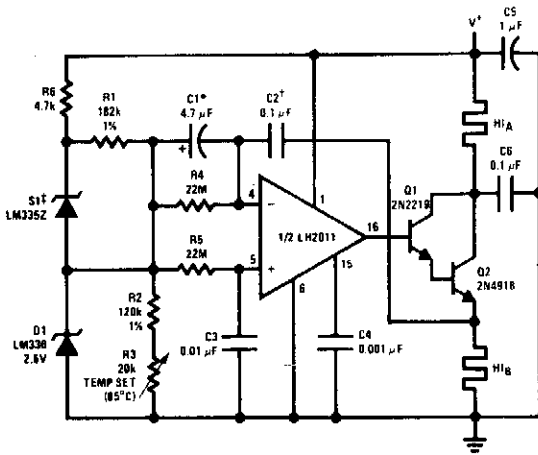
Fig. 86-1

### Circuit Notes

The purpose of this circuit is to control the water temperature in a hot-water heating system. What it does is to lower the boiler temperature as the outside air temperature increases. The op amp is used as a comparator. Thermistor TH2 and R2 form a voltage divider that supplies a reference voltage to the op amp's inverting input. Thermistor TH2 is placed outdoors, and the values of TH2 and R2 should be chosen so that when the outside temperature is 25 °F, the resistance of the thermistor and resistor are equal. Resistor R1

and thermistor TH1 make up a voltage divider that supplies a voltage to the op amp's noninverting input. Thermistor TH1 is placed inside the boiler and the values of TH1 and R1 should be chosen so that when the boiler's temperature is 160 °F, their resistances are equal. The output of the op amp controls Q1, which is configured as a transistor switch. When the logic output of the op amp is high, Q1 is turned on, energizing relay RY1. The relay's contacts should be wired so that the boiler's heat supply is turned off (relay energized).

## HEATER CONTROL



### Circuit Notes

This proportional control crystal oven heater uses lead/lag compensation for fast setting. The time constant is changed with R4 and compensating resistor R5. If Q2 is inside the oven, a regulated supply is recommended for 0.1 °C. control.

\* solid tantalum

† mylar

‡ close thermal coupling between sensor and oven shell is recommended.

Fig. 86-2

## TWO-WIRE REMOTE AC ELECTRONIC THERMOSTAT (GAS OR OIL FURNACE CONTROL)

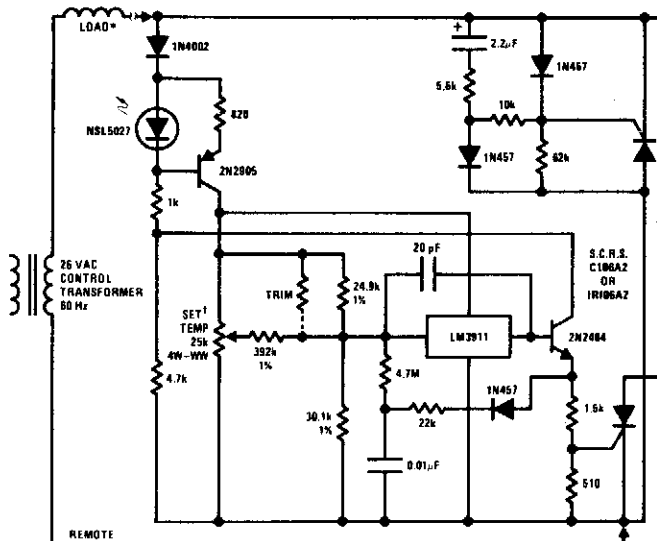


Fig. 86-3

\* Solenoid or 6-15W heater

† Pot will provide about a 50°F to 90°F setting range. The trim resistor (100k) is selected to bring 70°F near the middle of the pot rotation.

SCR heating, by proper positioning, can preheat the sensor giving control anticipation as is presently used in many home thermostats.

### THREE-WIRE ELECTRONIC THERMOSTAT

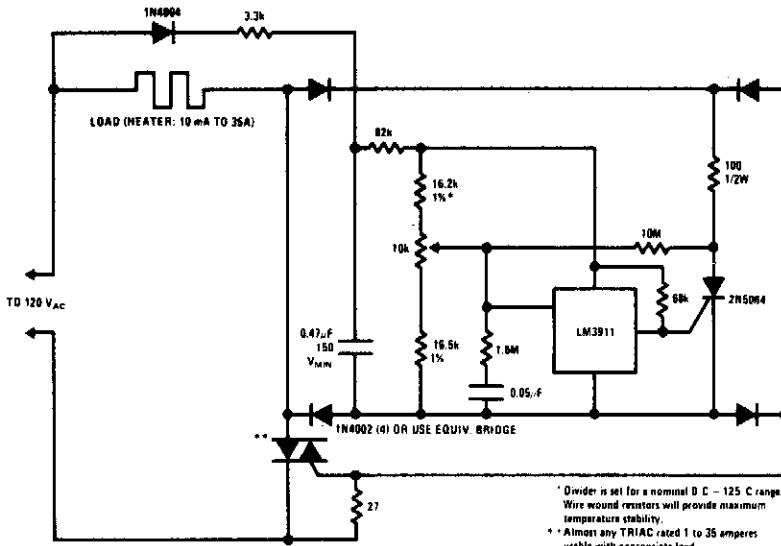


Fig. 86-4

### TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE HEATER CONTROL

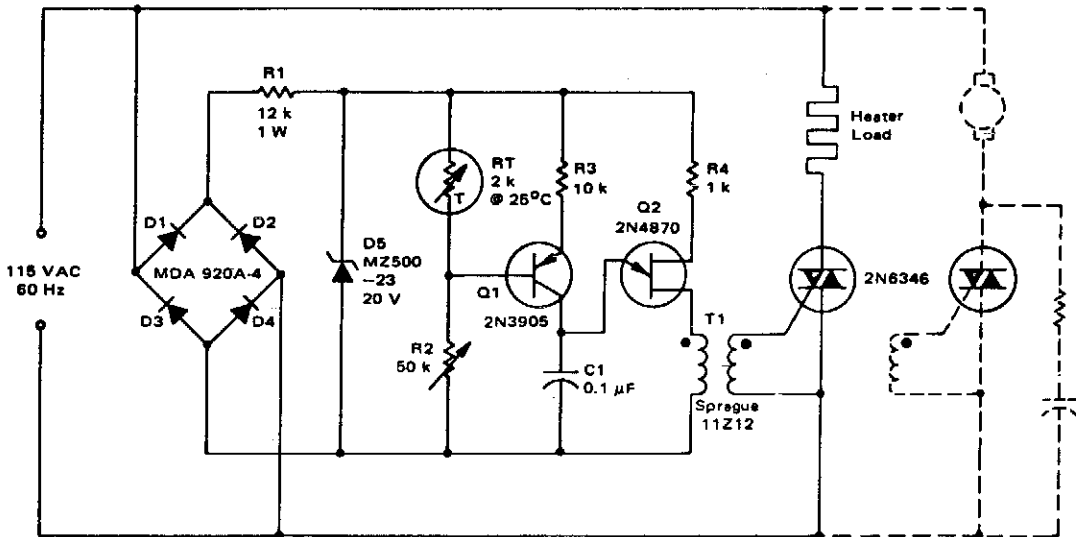


Fig. 86-5



## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

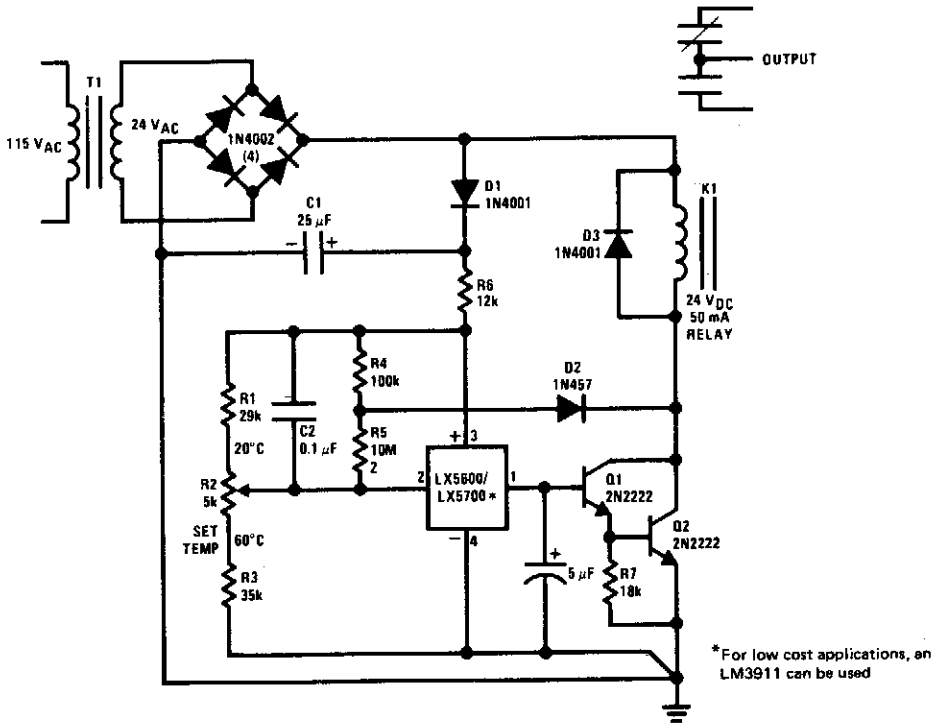


Fig. 86-8

### Circuit Notes

The sensor is a standard TO-5 or TO-46 package. For surface or air temperature sensing. Small clip-on heat sinks can be used. A simple probe can be made using heat-shrink tubing and RTV silicon rubber. Three-leads-plus-shield cable is a good choice for wire with

the shield connected to pin 4. The controller can be used for baths, ovens, oven-temperature protection, or even home thermostats. Long-term stability and repeatability is better than 0.5 °C.

## TEMPERATURE CONTROL

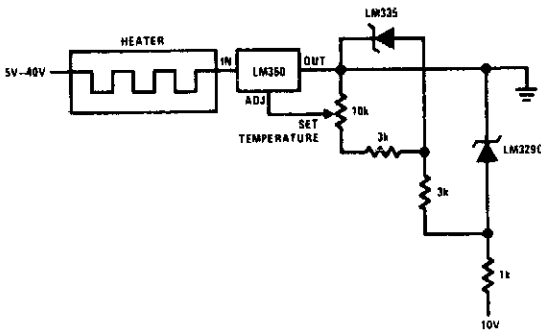


Fig. 86-9

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

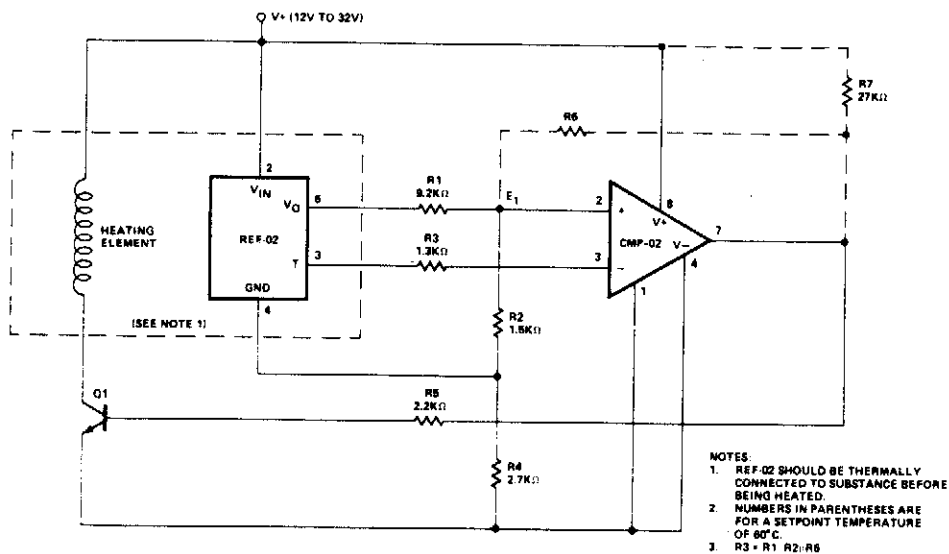


Fig. 86-10

### Circuit Notes

Temperature control is achieved using the REF-02 +5 V Reference/Thermometer and a CMP-02 Precision Low Input Current Comparator. The CMP-02 turns on a heating element driver (Q1) whenever the present tem-

perature drops below a setpoint temperature determined by the ratio of R1 to R2. The circuit also provides adjustable hysteresis and single supply operation.

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

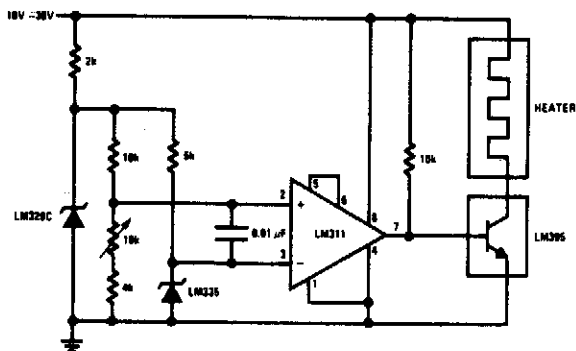


Fig. 86-11



# PORTABLE CALIBRATOR

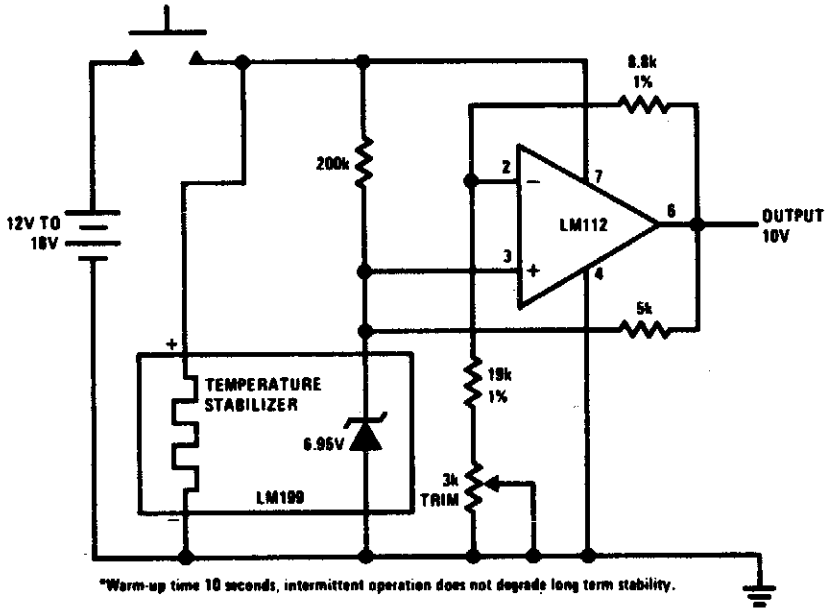


Fig. 86-12

# Temperature Sensors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Linear Temperature-to-Frequency Transducer               | Optical Pyrometer  |
| Temperature Meter  | Remote Temperature Sensing                                   |
| Four-Channel Temperature Sensor                          | Simple Differential Temperature Sensor                       |
| Temperature Sensor                                       | Differential Temperature Sensor                              |
| Integrated Circuit Temperature Sensor                    | Centigrade Thermometer                                       |
| Precision Temperature Transducer with Remote Sensor      | Meter Thermometer with Trimmed Output                        |
| Centigrade Calibrated Thermocouple Thermometer           | Kelvin Thermometer with Ground Referred Output               |
| $\mu$ P Controlled Digital Thermometer                   | Lower Power Thermometer                                      |
| Isolated Temperature Sensor                              | 0 °F-50 °F Thermometer                                       |
| Digital Thermometer                                      | Temperature-to-Frequency Converter                           |
| Variable Offset Thermometer                              | 0 °C-100 °C Thermometer                                      |
| Differential Thermometer                                 | Ground Referred Fahrenheit Thermometer                       |
| Basic Digital Thermometer, Kelvin Scale                  | Ground Referred Centigrade Thermometer                       |
| Basic Digital Thermometer, Kelvin Scale with Zero Adjust | Ground Referred Centigrade Thermometer Temperature Sensor    |
| Thermocouple Amplifier                                   | Positive Temperature Coefficient Resistor Temperature Sensor |
|  | Basic Digital Thermometer                                    |

Fahrenheit Thermometer

## LINEAR TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY TRANSCONDUCTER

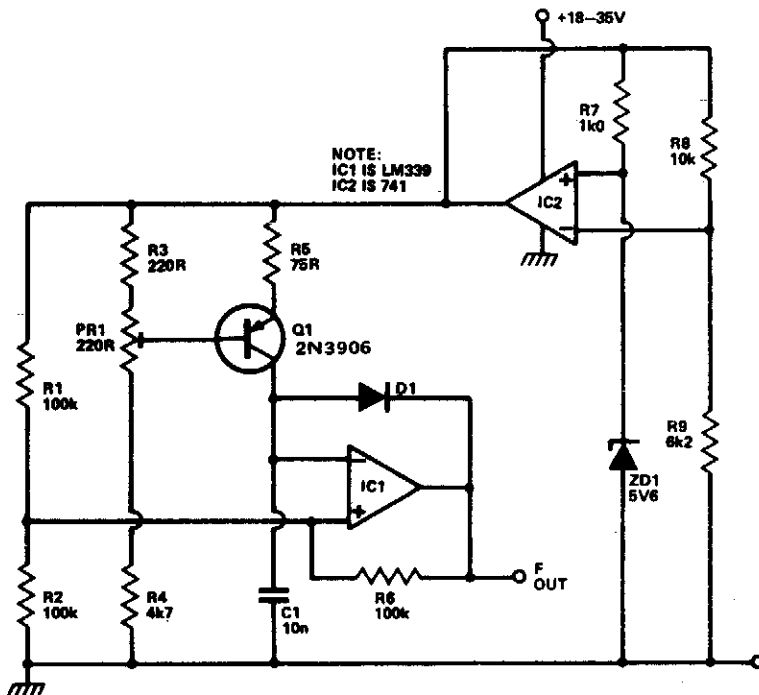


Fig. 87-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a linear increase of frequency of 10 Hz/°C over 0-100 °C and can thus be used with logic systems, including microprocessors. Temperature probes Q1  $V_{be}$  changes 2.2 mV/°C. This transistor is incorporated in a constant current source circuit. Thus, a current proportional to temperature will be available to charge C1. The circuit is powered

via the temperature stable reference voltage supplied by the 741. Comparator IC1 is used as a Schmitt trigger whose output is used to discharge C1 via D1. To calibrate the circuit Q1 is immersed in boiling distilled water and PR1 adjusted to give 1 kHz output. The prototype was found to be accurate to within 0.2 °C.

## TEMPERATURE METER

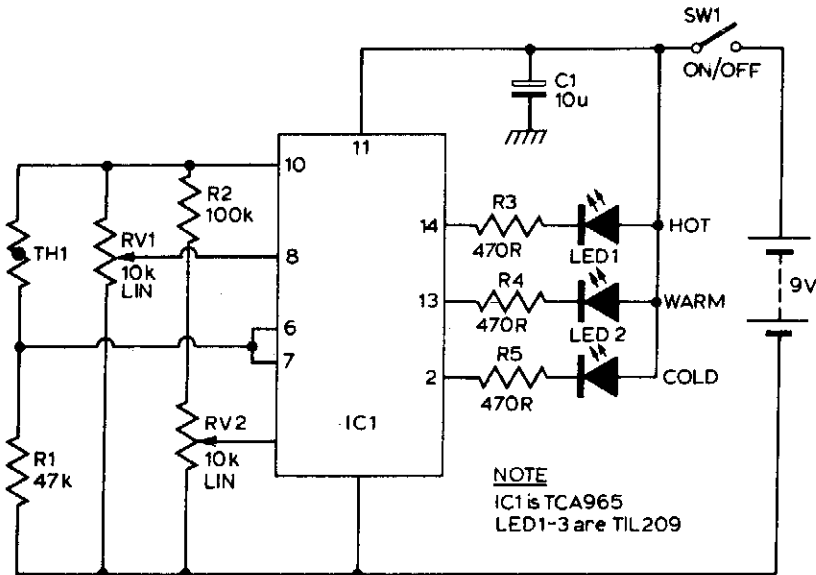


Fig. 87-2

### Circuit Notes

TCA965 window discriminator IC allows the potentiometers RV1 and RV2 to set up a window height and window width respectively. R1 and thermistor TH1 for a potential divider connected across the supply lines. R1 is chosen such that at ambient temperature the voltage at the junction of these two components will be approximately half supply. As the temperature of the sensor changes, the voltage will change.

RV1 will set the point which corresponds to the center voltage of a window the width of which is set by RV2. The switching points of the IC feature a Schmitt characteristic with low hysteresis. The outputs of IC1 indicate whether the input voltage is within the window or outside by virtue of being either too high or too low. The outputs of IC1 drive the LEDs via a current limiting resistor.

### FOUR-CHANNEL TEMPERATURE SENSOR (0-50 °C)

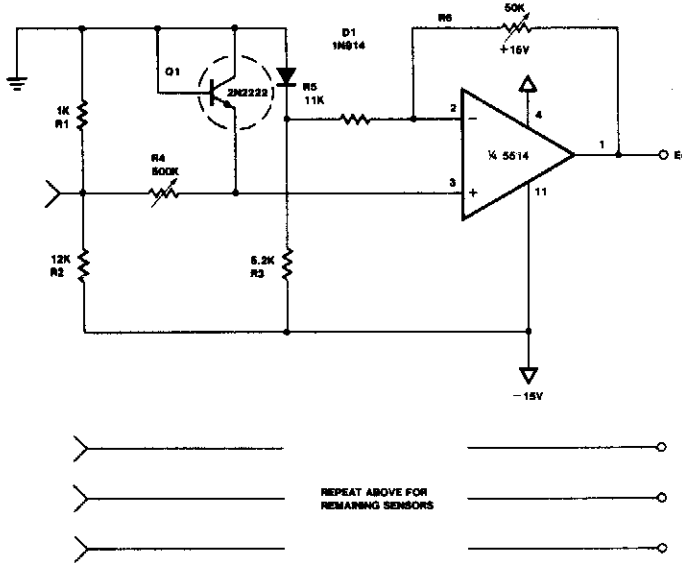


Fig. 87-3

### TEMPERATURE SENSOR

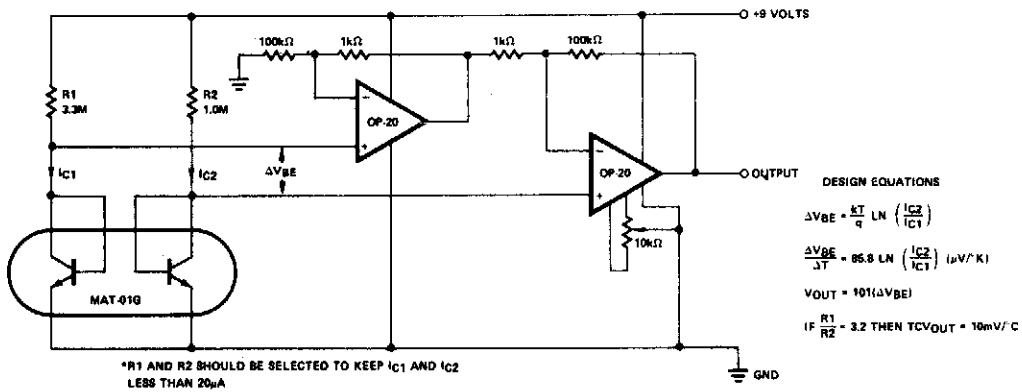


Fig. 87-4

## INTEGRATED CIRCUIT TEMPERATURE SENSOR

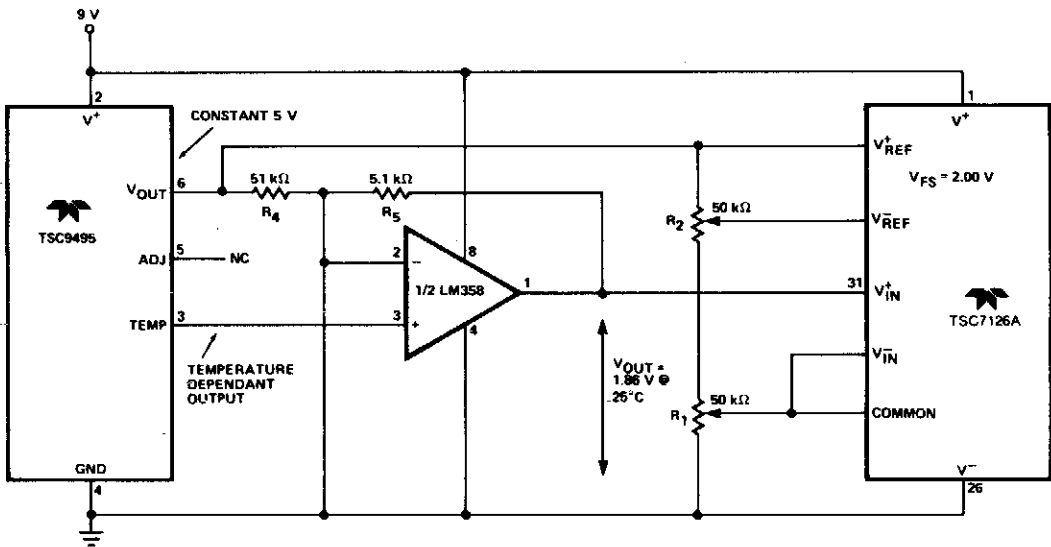
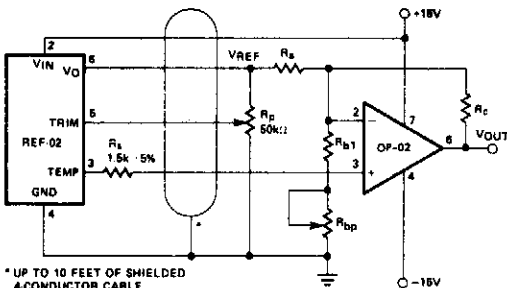


Fig. 87-5

## PRECISION TEMPERATURE TRANSDUCER WITH REMOTE SENSOR



\* UP TO 10 FEET OF SHIELDED 4-CONDUCTOR CABLE.

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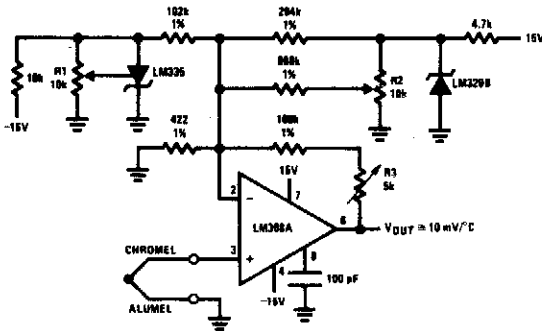
### RESISTOR VALUES

| TCV <sub>OUT</sub> SLOPE (S)    | 10mV/°C          | 100mV/°C        | 10mV/°F          |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| TEMPERATURE RANGE               | -55°C to +125°C  | -55°C to +125°C | -67°F to +257°C  |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE RANGE            | -0.55V to +1.25V | -5.5V to +12.5V | -0.87V to +2.57V |
| ZERO SCALE                      | 0V @ 0°C         | 0V @ 0°C        | 0V @ 0°F         |
| R <sub>a</sub> (±1% resistor)   | 9.09kΩ           | 15kΩ            | 7.5kΩ            |
| R <sub>b1</sub> (±% resistor)   | 1.5kΩ            | 1.82kΩ          | 1.21kΩ           |
| R <sub>bp</sub> (Potentiometer) | 200Ω             | 500Ω            | 200Ω             |
| R <sub>c</sub> (±1% resistor)   | 5.11kΩ           | 84.5kΩ          | 8.25kΩ           |

\* For 125°C operation, the op amp output must be able to swing to +12.5V, increase V<sub>IN</sub> to +18V from +15V if this is a problem.

Fig. 87-6

## CENTIGRADE CALIBRATED THERMOCOUPLE THERMOMETER



Terminate thermocouple reference junction in close proximity to LM335.

**Adjustments:**

1. Apply signal in place of thermocouple and adjust R3 for a gain of 245.7.
2. Short non-inverting input of LM308A and output of LM329B to ground.
3. Adjust R1 so that  $V_{OUT} = 2.982V @ 25^{\circ}C$ .
4. Remove short across LM329B and adjust R2 so that  $V_{OUT} = 246 mV @ 25^{\circ}C$ .
5. Remove short across thermocouple.

Fig. 87-7

## $\mu P$ CONTROLLED DIGITAL THERMOMETER

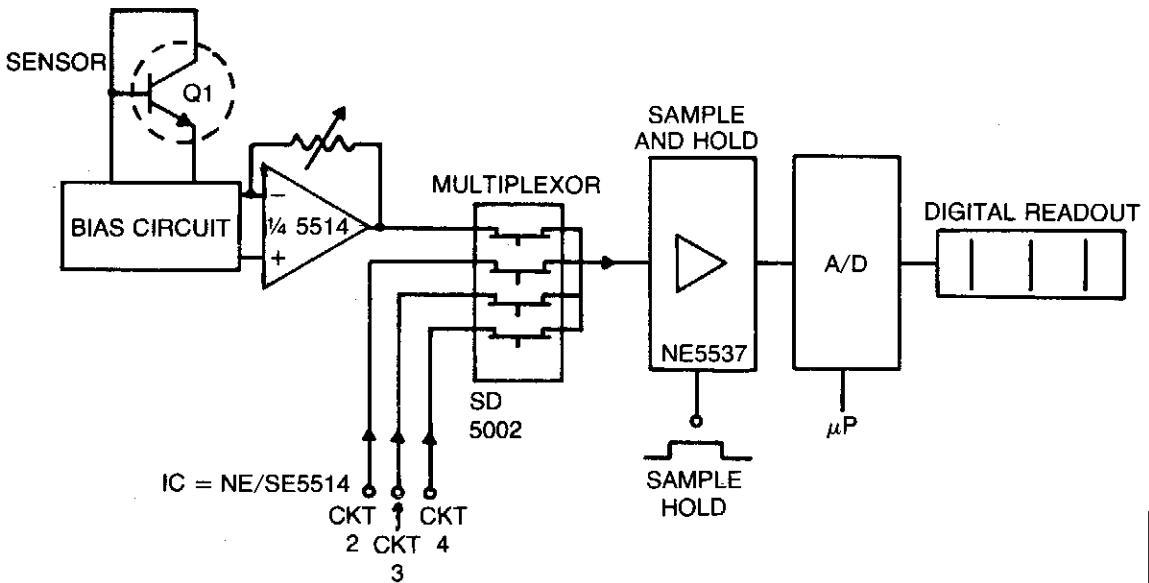


Fig. 87-8

### ISOLATED TEMPERATURE SENSOR

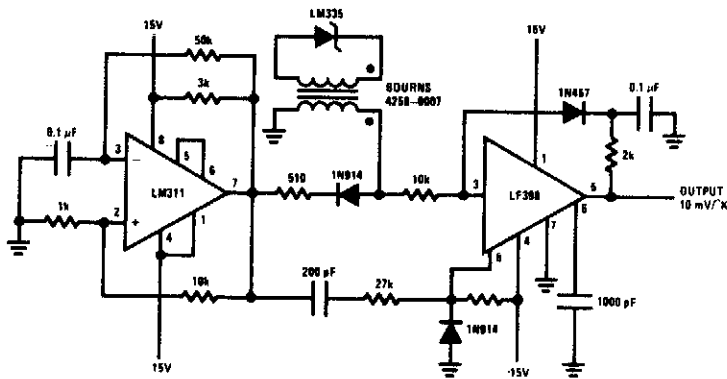


Fig. 87-9

### DIGITAL THERMOMETER

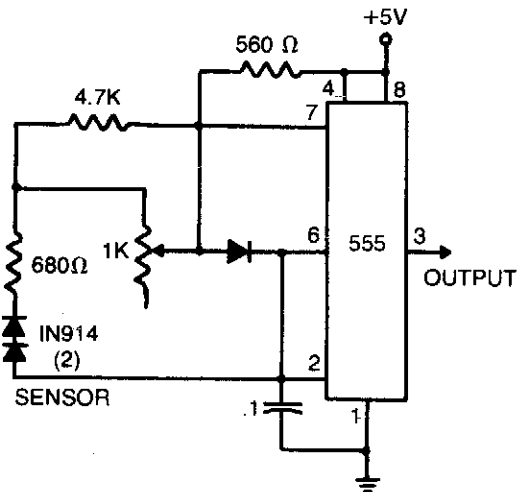


Fig. 87-10

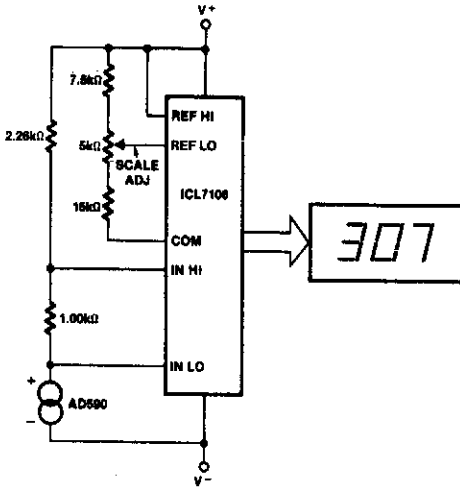
#### Circuit Notes

The sensor consists of two series-connected 1N914s, part of the circuit of a 555 multivibrator. Wired as shown, the output pulse rate is proportional to the temperature of the diodes. This output is fed to a simple frequency-counting circuit.





### BASIC DIGITAL THERMOMETER, KELVIN SCALE



#### Circuit Notes

The Kelvin scale version reads from 0 to 1999 °K theoretically, and from 223 °K to 473 °K actually. The 2.26 K resistor brings the input within the ICL7106  $V_{CM}$  range: two general-purpose silicon diodes or an LED may be substituted.

Fig. 87-13

### BASIC DIGITAL THERMOMETER, KELVIN SCALE WITH ZERO ADJUST

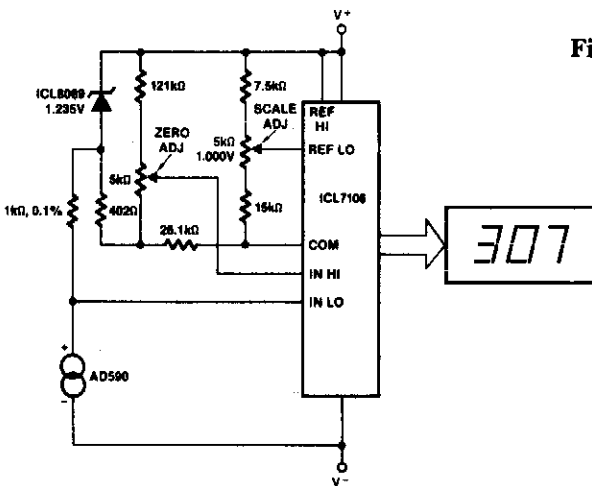
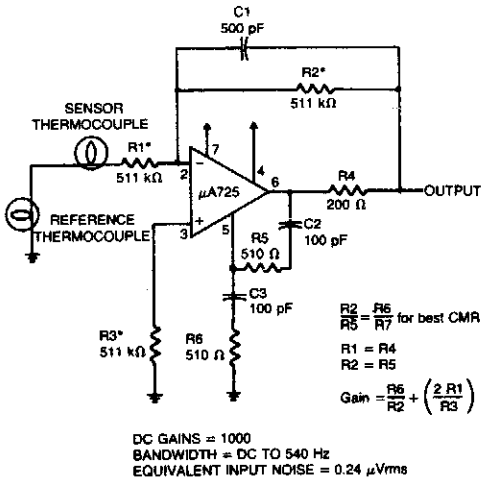


Fig. 87-14

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit allows zero adjustment as well as slope adjustment. The ICL8069 brings the input within the common-mode range, while the 5 K pots trim any offset at 218 °K (−55 °C), and set scale factor.

### THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER



Notes  
 \*Indicates  $\pm 1\%$  metal film resistors recommended for temperature stability.  
 Pin numbers are shown for metal package only.

Fig. 87-15

### REMOTE TEMPERATURE SENSING

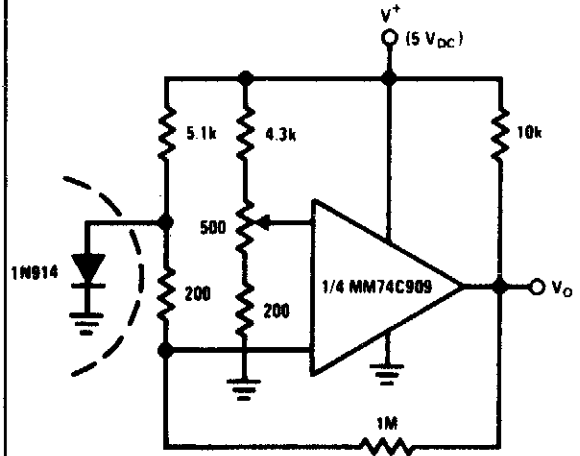


Fig. 87-17

### OPTICAL PYROMETER

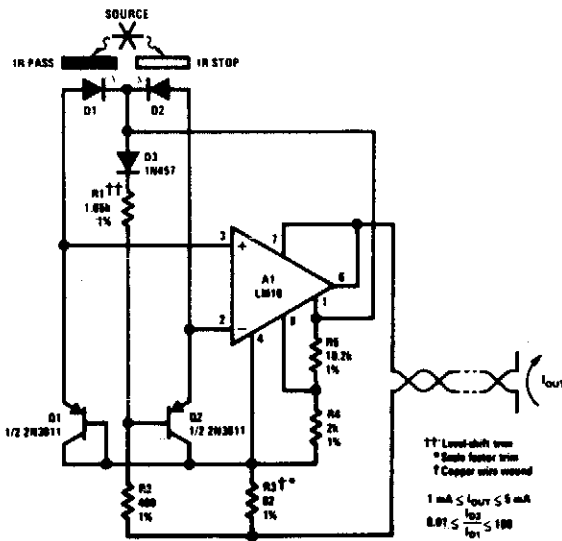


Fig. 87-16

### SIMPLE DIFFERENTIAL TEMPERATURE SENSOR

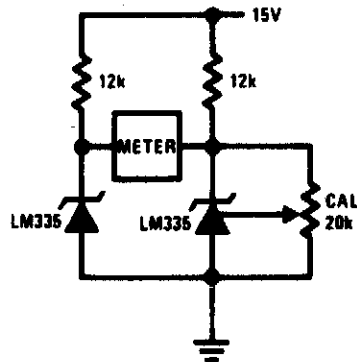
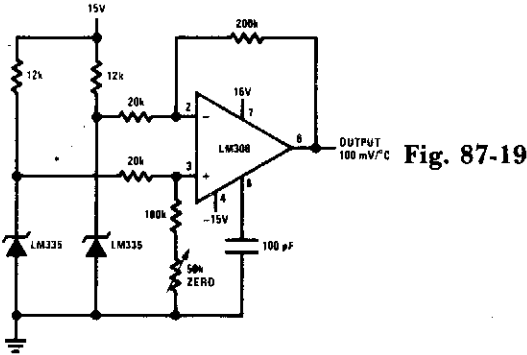
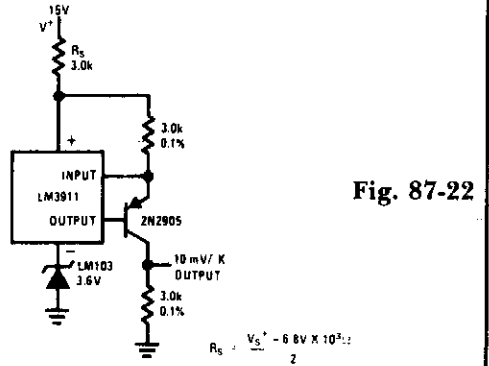


Fig. 87-18

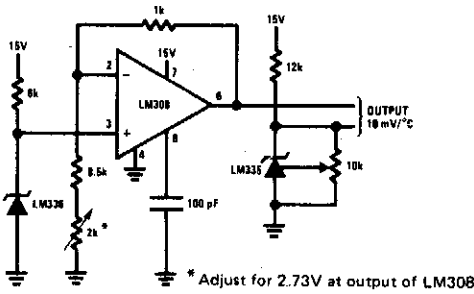
### DIFFERENTIAL TEMPERATURE SENSOR



### KELVIN THERMOMETER WITH GROUND REFERRED OUTPUT



### CENTIGRADE THERMOMETER



### LOWER POWER THERMOMETER

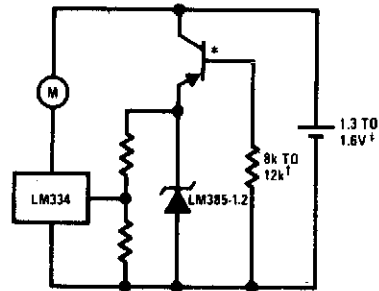


Fig. 87-20

- \* 2N3638 or 2N2907 select for inverse  $H_{FE} \approx 5$
- † Select for operation at 1.3V
- ‡  $I_Q \approx 600 \mu A$  to  $900 \mu A$

Fig. 87-23

### METER THERMOMETER WITH TRIMMED OUTPUT

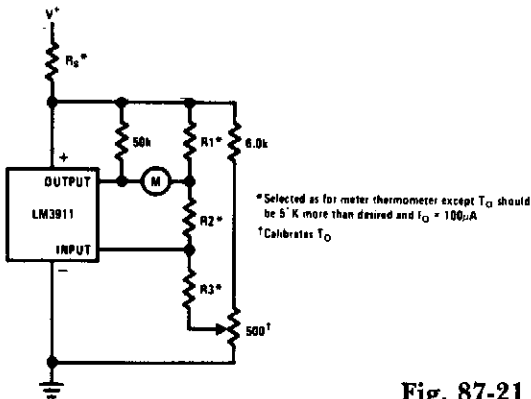
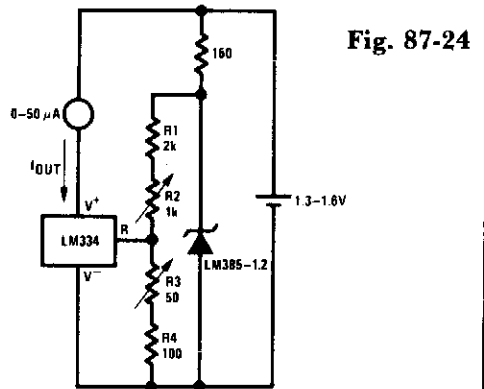


Fig. 87-21

### 0 °F-50 °F THERMOMETER



#### Calibration

1. Short LM385-1.2, adjust R3 for  $I_{OUT} = \text{temp at } 1.8 \mu A / ^\circ K$
2. Remove short, adjust R2 for correct reading in °F

## TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

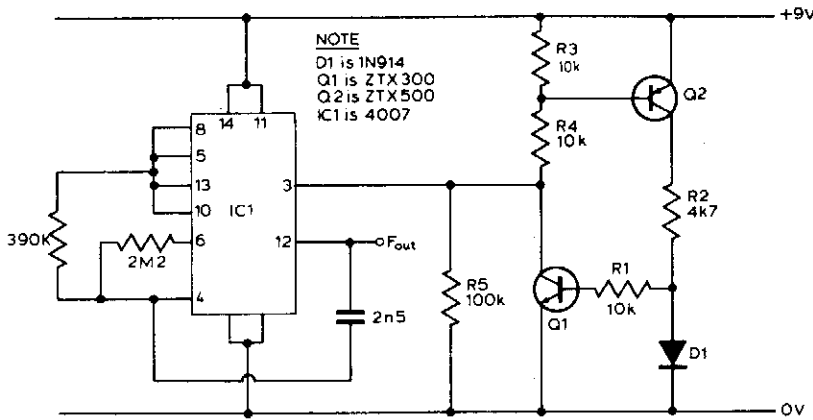


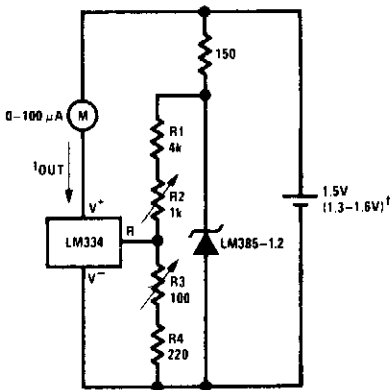
Fig. 87-25

### Circuit Notes

The circuit exploits the fact that when fed from a constant current source, the forward voltage of a silicon diode varies with temperature in a reasonably linear way. Diode D1 and resistor R2 form a potential divider fed from the constant current source. As the temperature rises, the forward voltage of D1 falls

tending to turn Q1 off. The output voltage from Q1 will thus rise, and this is used as the control voltage for the CMOS VCO. With the values shown, the device gave an increase of just under 3 Hz/°C (between 0 °C and 60 °C) giving a frequency of 470 Hz at 0 °C.

### 0 °C-100 °C THERMOMETER

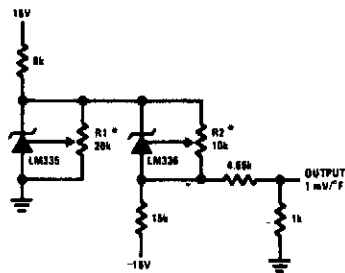


#### Calibration

1. Short LM385-1.2, adjust R3 for  $I_{OUT} = \text{temp at } 1 \mu\text{A}/^\circ\text{K}$
  2. Remove short, adjust R2 for correct reading in centigrade
- $I_Q$  at 1.3V  $\approx$  500  $\mu$ A  
 $I_Q$  at 1.6V  $\approx$  2.4 mA

Fig. 87-26

### GROUND REFERRED FAHRENHEIT THERMOMETER



- \* Adjust R2 for 2.554V across LM335.  
 Adjust R1 for correct output.

Fig. 87-27

**GROUND REFERRED  
CENTIGRADE THERMOMETER**

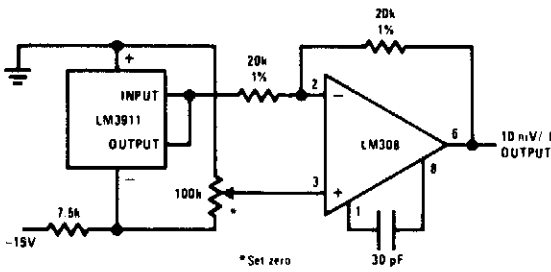


Fig. 87-28

**TEMPERATURE SENSOR**

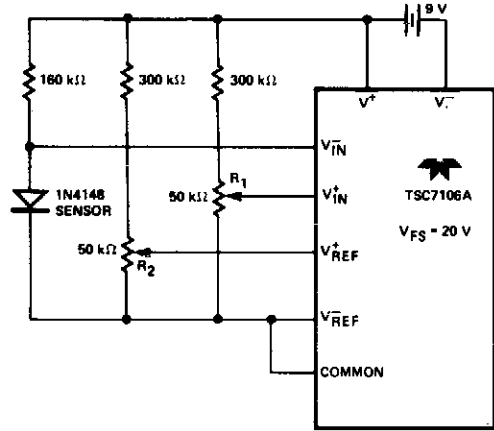


Fig. 87-30

**GROUND REFERRED  
CENTIGRADE THERMOMETER**

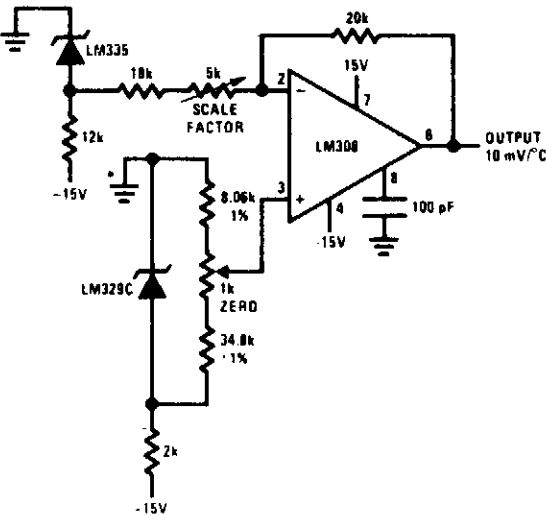


Fig. 87-29

**POSITIVE TEMPERATURE  
SENSOR COEFFICIENT  
RESISTOR**

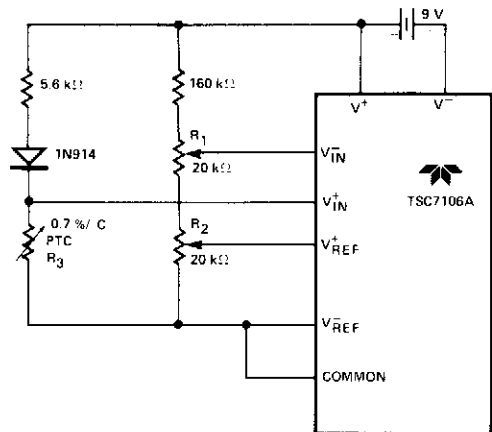
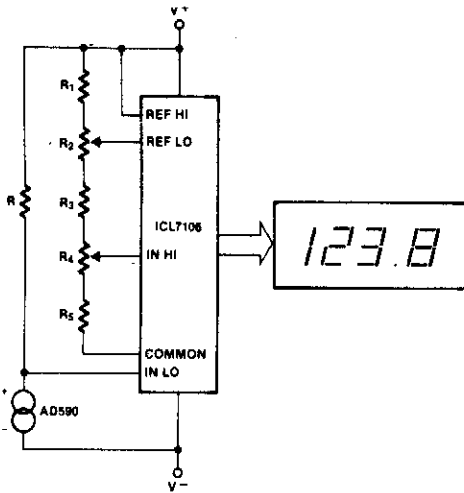


Fig. 87-31

## BASIC DIGITAL THERMOMETER (CELSIUS AND FAHRENHEIT SCALES)



|    | R    | R <sub>1</sub> | R <sub>2</sub> | R <sub>3</sub> | R <sub>4</sub> | R <sub>5</sub> |
|----|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| °F | 9.00 | 4.02           | 2.0            | 12.4           | 10.0           | 0              |
| °C | 5.00 | 4.02           | 2.0            | 5.11           | 5.0            | 11.8           |

Fig. 87-32

### Circuit Notes

Maximum reading on the Celsius range is 199.9 °C, limited by the (short-term) maximum allowable sensor temperature. Maximum reading on the Fahrenheit range is 199.9 °F (93.3 °C), limited by the number of display digits.  $V_{REF}$  for both scales is 500 mV.

## FAHRENHEIT THERMOMETER

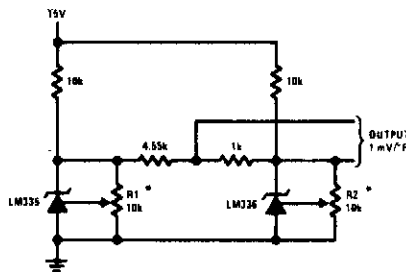


Fig. 87-33

\* To calibrate adjust R2 for 2.554V across LM336.  
Adjust R1 for correct output.

## Timers

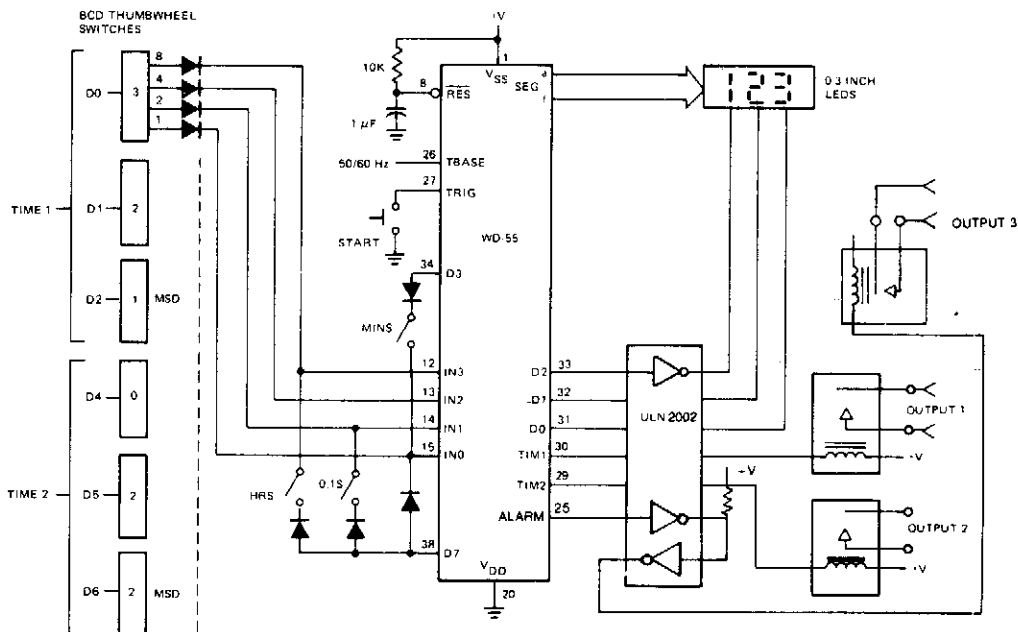
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Thumbwheel Programmable Interval Timer        | Precision Solid State Time Delay Circuit |
| Sequential Timer                              | Electronic Egg Timer                     |
| Sequential Timer                              | On/Off Controller                        |
| Sequential UJT Timer Circuit                  | Timing Circuit                           |
| Time-Delayed Relay                            | Simple Timer                             |
| 0.1 to 90 Second Timer                        | Long Interval RC Timer                   |
| Sequential Timing                             | Timer                                    |
| Solid-State Timer for Industrial Applications | 741 Timer                                |
|   | Washer Timer                             |
|   | Simple Time Delay                        |



## THUMBWHEEL PROGRAMMABLE INTERVAL TIMER



**Fig. 88-1**

### Circuit Notes

Switch programmable on/off or interval timer, has three relay-switched outputs. Output one is active for the duration of time 1, output two is active for the duration of time 2, and output three is active for the duration of both one and two. Timing data is input through 6 BCD-encoded thumbwheel switches. Three SPST switches inform the WD-55 to interpret

this data as NNN seconds. NNN seconds, NNN minutes, or NNN hours. The LED display will show the time remaining and the countdown when operating. Since the data is input through switches, the display may be deleted. Also, since the timing information is read from switches, the data is nonvolatile and no battery backup is required.

## SEQUENTIAL TIMER

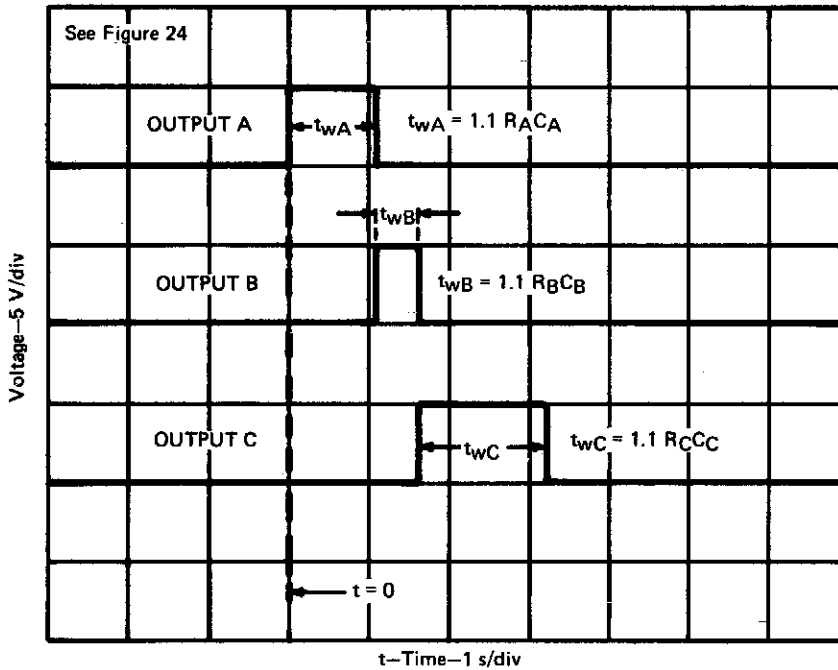
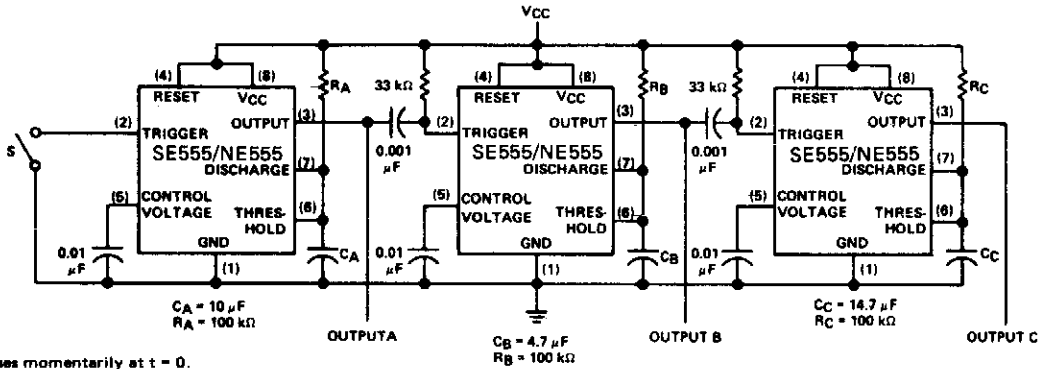


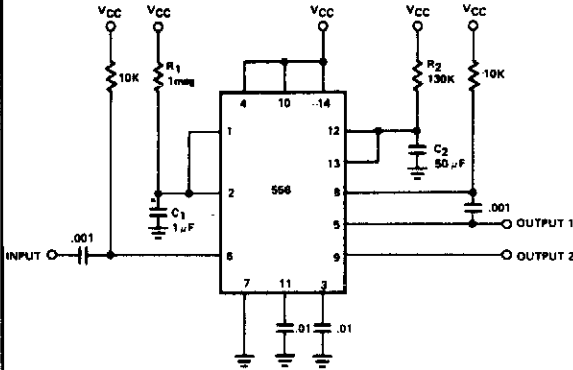
Fig. 88-2

### Circuit Notes

Many applications, such as computers, require signals for initializing conditions during start-up. Other applications such as test equipment require activation of test signals in sequence. SE555/NE555 circuits may be con-

nected to provide such sequential control. The timers may be used in various combinations of astable or monostable circuit connections, with or without modulation, for extremely flexible waveform control.

## SEQUENTIAL TIMER



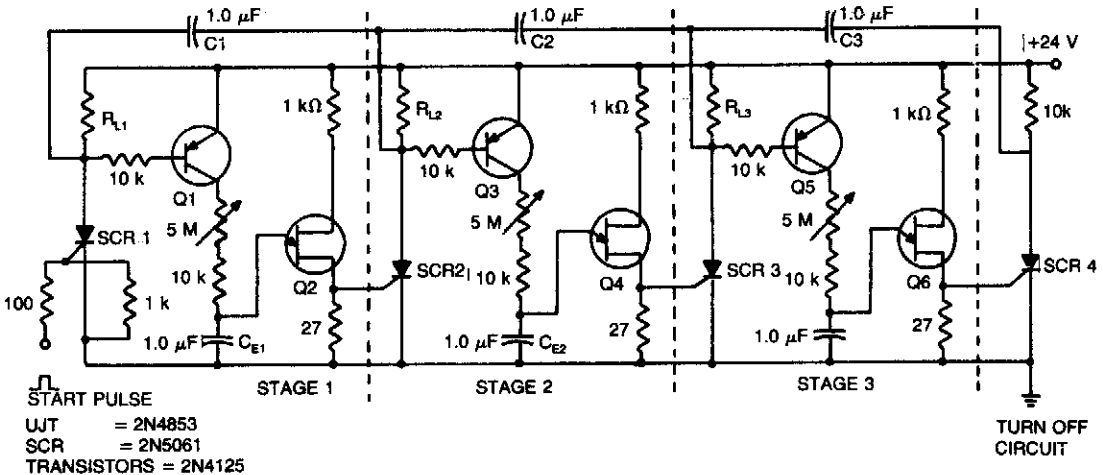
ALL RESISTOR VALUES ARE IN OHMS

### Circuit Notes

By utilizing both halves of a dual timer it is possible to obtain sequential timing. By connecting the output of the first half to the input of the second half via a  $.001 \mu\text{F}$  coupling capacitor sequential timing may be obtained. Delay  $t_1$  is determined by the first half and  $t_2$  by the second half delay. The first half of the timer is started by momentarily connecting pin 6 to ground. When it is turned out (determined by  $1.1R_1C_1$ ), the second half begins. Its duration is determined by  $1.1R_2C_2$ .

**Fig. 88-3**

## SEQUENTIAL UJT TIMER



**Fig. 88-4**

## TIME-DELAYED RELAY (FOR PATIO-LIGHT, GARAGE LIGHT, ENLARGER PHOTOTIMER, ETC.)

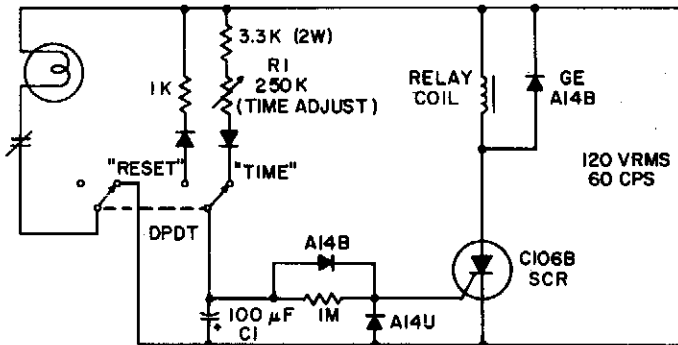


Fig. 88-5

### Circuit Notes

This simple timing circuit can delay an output switching function from .01 seconds to about 1 minute. The SCR is triggered by only a few microamps from the timing network R1-C1 to energize the output relay.

### 0.1 TO 90 SECOND TIMER

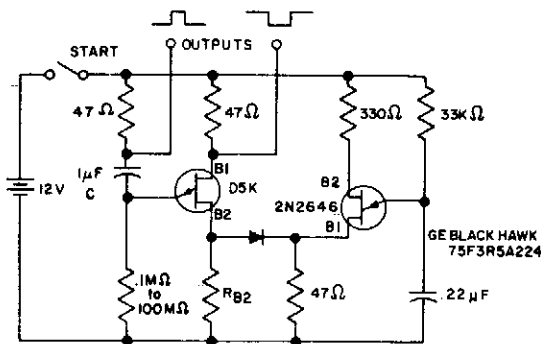


Fig. 88-6

### Circuit Notes

The timer interval starts when power is applied to circuit and terminates when voltage is applied to load. 2N2646 is used in oscillator which pulses base 2 of D5K. This reduces the effective  $I_r$  of D5K and allows a much larger timing resistor and smaller timing capacitor to be used than would otherwise be possible.

### SEQUENTIAL TIMING

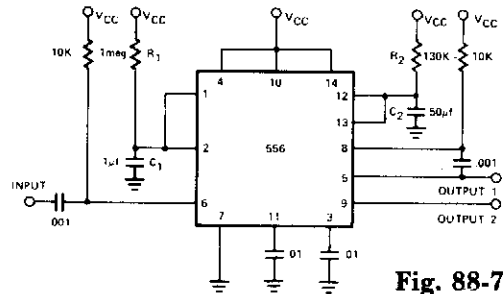


Fig. 88-7

### Circuit Notes

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## SOLID-STATE TIMER FOR INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

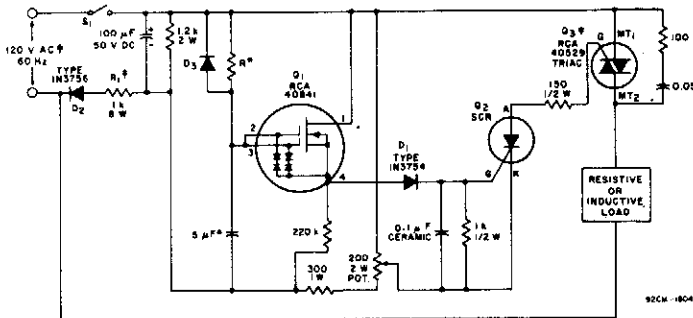


Fig. 88-8

- <sup>a</sup> Cornell-Dubilier Electronics—Type MMW or equivalent.
- <sup>b</sup> R controls duration of time delay. At R = 60 MΩ up to 5-minute delay (IRC resistor, Type CGM or equivalent).
- <sup>c</sup> This circuit can also be used at supply voltages of 240 V AC and 24V AC (60 Hz) by changing the values of R1 and Q3.

**TIMING CIRCUIT CHARACTERISTICS**  
 $T_A = -25^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+60^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 Accuracy:  $\pm 10\%$  (over temperature)  
 Repeatability:  $\pm 3\%$  (at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )  
 Reset Time: Less than 150 ms

Q2:  $V_{DRM} = 60\text{V}$   
 $I_{GT} = 200\mu\text{A}$   
 $I_T = 0.8\text{A}$   
 D3:  $I_R = 1\text{mA}$   
 $V_R = 60\text{V}$

## PRECISION SOLID STATE TIME DELAY CIRCUIT

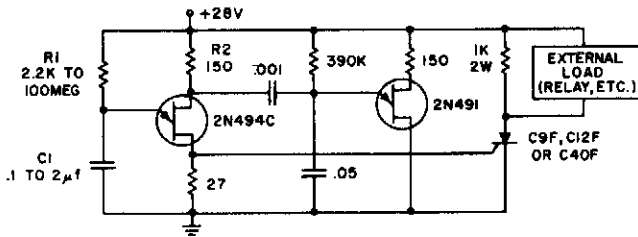


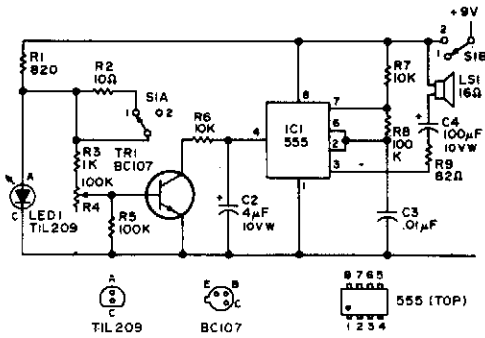
Fig. 88-9

### Circuit Notes

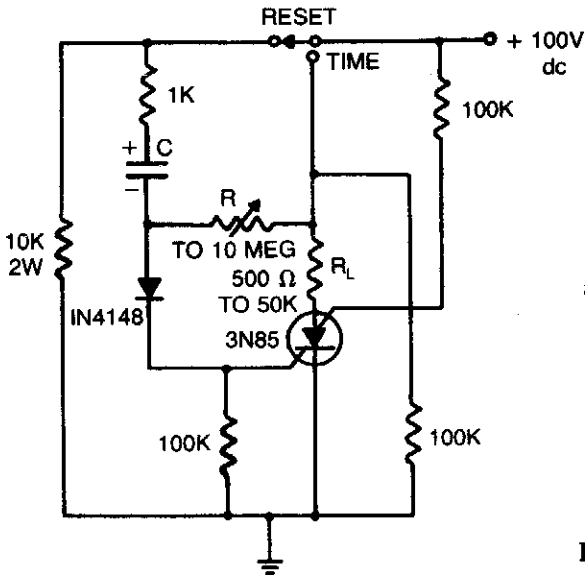
Time delays from 0.3 milliseconds to over three minutes are possible with this circuit without using a tantalum or electrolytic capacitor. The timing interval is initiated by applying power to the circuit. At the end of the timing interval, which is determined by the value of R1C1, the 2N494C fires the controlled rectifier. This places the supply voltage minus

about one volt across the load. Load currents are limited only by the rating of the controlled rectifier which is from 1 ampere up to 25 amperes for the types specified in the circuit. A calibrated potentiometer could be used in place of R1 to permit setting a predetermined time delay after one initial calibration.

## ELECTRONIC EGG TIMER



### TIMING CIRCUIT



#### Circuit Notes

Load current starts approximately  $0.5 RC$  after the switch is thrown.

Fig. 88-12

### SIMPLE TIMER

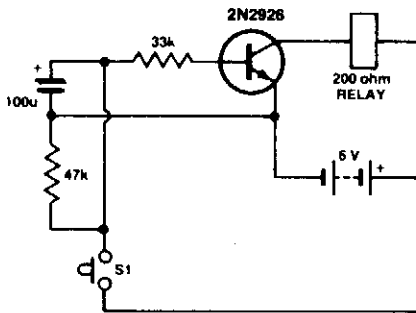


Fig. 88-13

#### Circuit Notes

Press  $S_1$ . The  $100 \mu F$  electrolytic capacitor rapidly charges up at about 0.7 V. The transistor will be forward biased, and collector current will flow operating the relay. Release  $S_1$ . The capacitor will begin to discharge via the 33 K resistor at the base of the transistor. When the voltage across the capacitor gets down to half a volt or so, the transistor base will no longer be forward biased, collector current

will cease, and the relay will drop out. The capacitor will continue to discharge via the 47 K resistor. With the values shown, the relay will remain operated for about eight seconds. Long times are possible with lower values of capacitance by substituting a Darlington pair for the 2N2926. In this case, increase the two resistor values into the megohm range.

### LONG INTERVAL RC TIMER

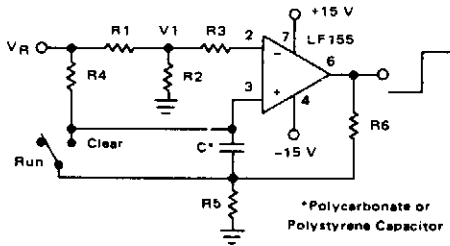


Fig. 88-14

$$\text{Time (t)} = R_4 C \ln(V_R / V_R - V_1), R_3 = R_4, R_5 = 0.1 R_6$$

$$\text{If } R_1 = R_2: t = 0.693 R_4 C$$

Design Example: 100 Second Timer

$$V_R = 10 \text{ V} \quad C = 1 \mu\text{F} \quad R_3 = R_4 = 144 \text{ M}$$

$$R_6 = 20 \text{ k} \quad R_5 = 2 \text{ k} \quad R_1 = R_2 = 1 \text{ k}$$

### 741 TIMER

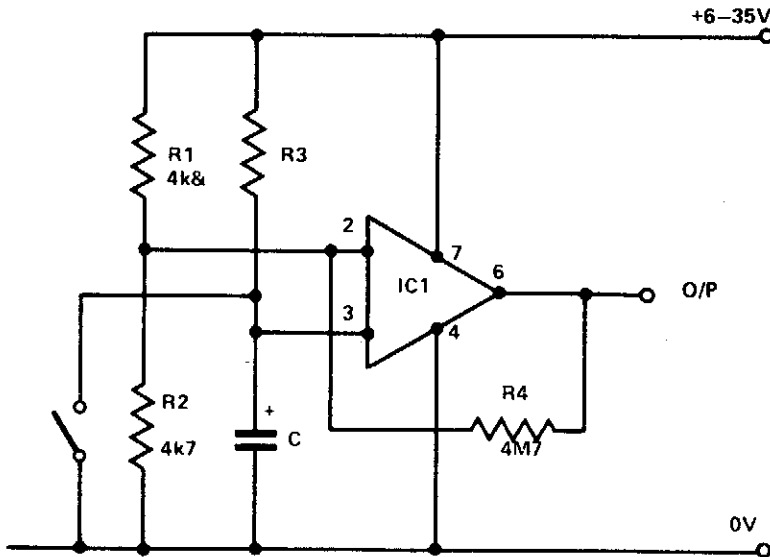


Fig. 88-15

#### Circuit Notes

R1 and R2 hold the inverting input at half supply voltage. R4 applies feedback to increase the input impedance at pin 3. Pin 3, the non-inverting input, is connected to the junction of R3 and C. After the switch is opened, C charges via R3. When the capacitor has charged sufficiently for the potential at pin 3 to exceed that at pin 2 the output abruptly changes from 0 V to posi-

tive line potential. If reverse polarity operation is required, simply transpose R3 and C. R3 and C can be any values. Time delays from a fraction of a second to several hours can be obtained by judicious selection. The time delay—independent of supply voltage—is  $0.7CR$  seconds where C is in farads.



## TIMER

### Circuit Notes

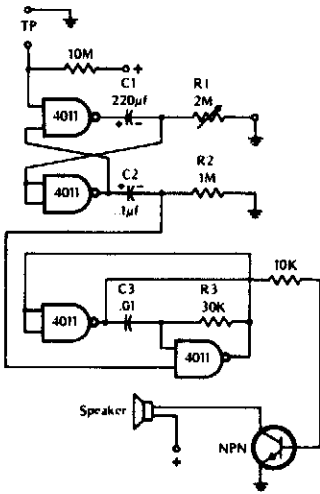


Fig. 88-16

The timer can be used wherever time periods of up to seven minutes duration are needed. To turn on just touch the turn-on plate, and after the selected time has elapsed, an alarm will sound for a short period, then automatically turn off. The turn-on touch plate, labeled TP in the diagram, is made up of two metal strips about 1/16-inch apart. Bridging the gap with your finger activates the timer. For more time range, increase R1 and/or C1. R2 and C2 determine the period of time that the alarm will sound. Increasing either will extend the time. The tone of the alarm is determined by R3 and C3. Increasing either lowers the tone, decreasing them raises the tone.

## WASHER TIMER

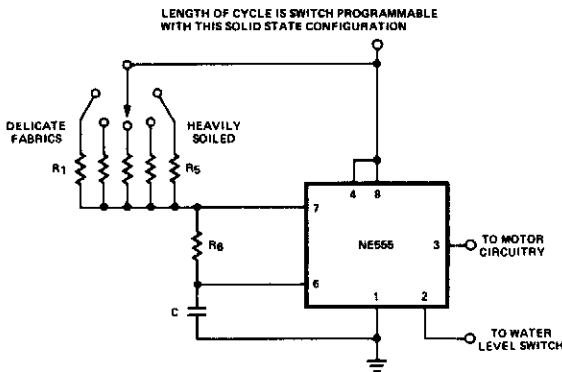


Fig. 88-17

## SIMPLE TIME DELAY

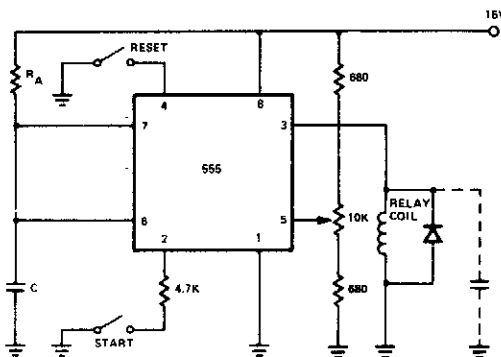


Fig. 88-18

## Tone Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Stereo Phonograph Amplifier with Bass  
Tone Control  
Equalizer  
Three-Channel Tone Control  
IC Preamplifier with Tone Control  
Amplifier with Bass Boost  
Active Bass and Treble Tone Control with  
Buffer

Passive Bass and Treble Tone Control  
Baxendall Tone-Control Circuit  
High Quality Tone Control  
Microphone Preamplifier with Tone  
Control  
Hi-Fi Tone Control Circuit  
Three-Band Active Tone Control  
Tone Control Circuit

# STEREO PHONOGRAPH AMPLIFIER WITH BASS TONE CONTROL

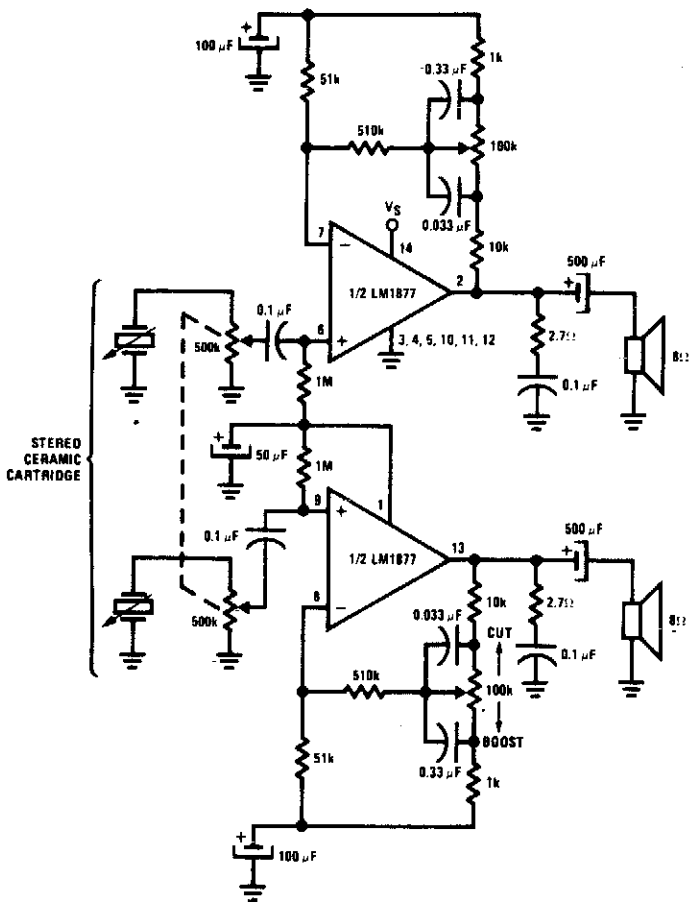
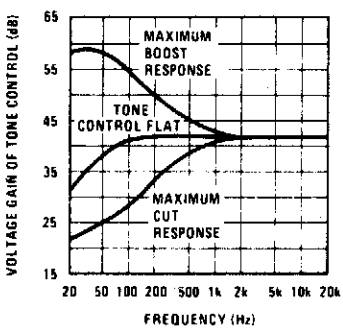
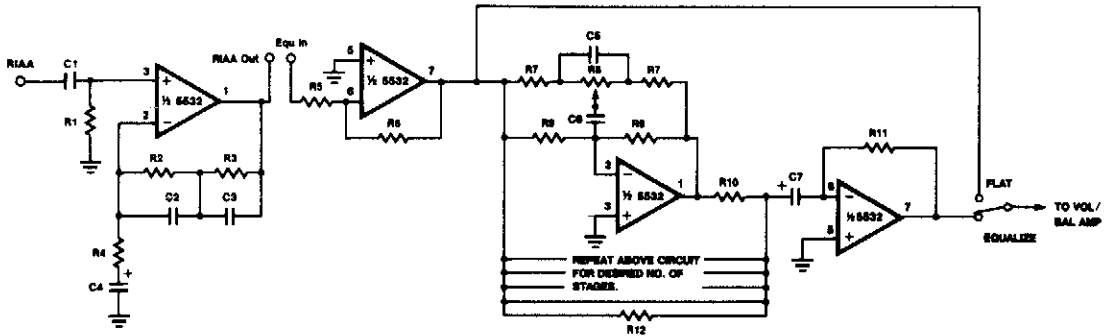


Fig. 89-1



# EQUALIZER



## COMPONENT VALUE TABLES

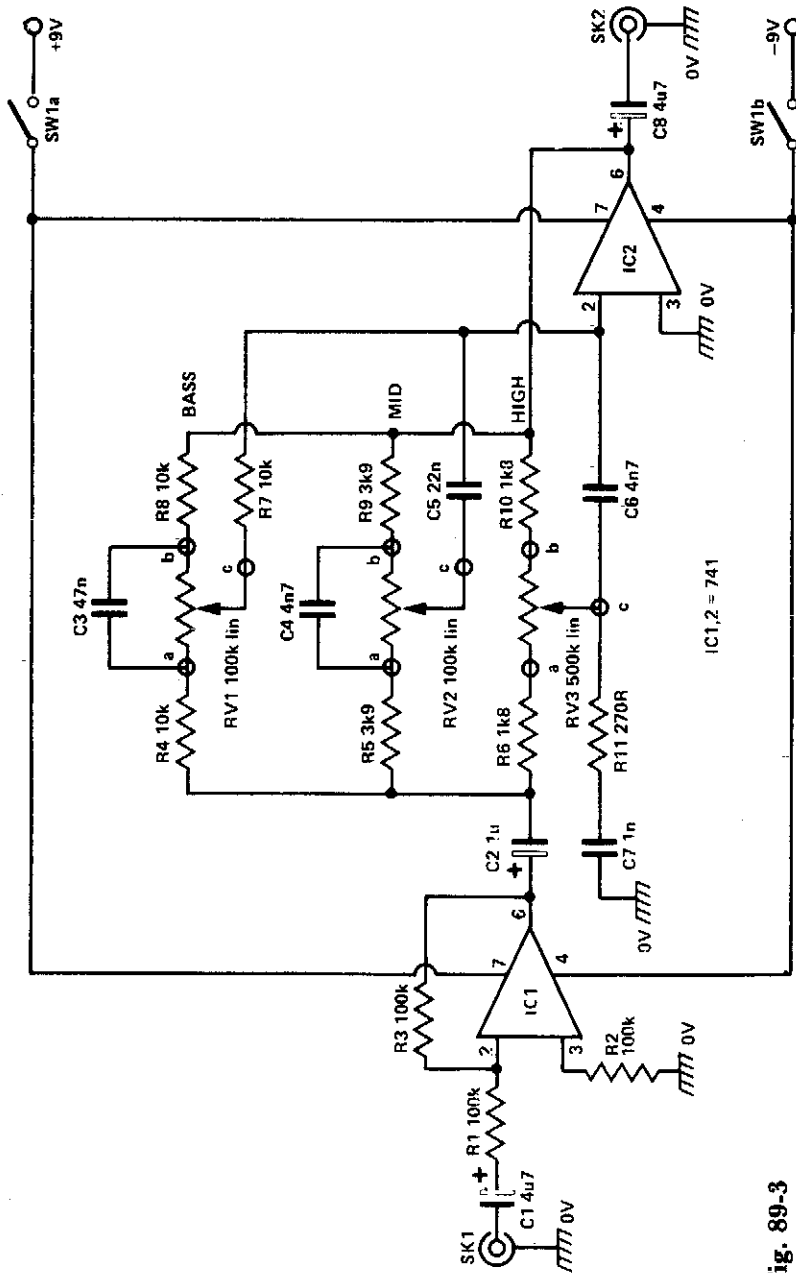
| R8 = 25k<br>R7 = 2.4k R9 = 240k |         |         | R8 = 50k<br>R7 = 5.1k R9 = 510k |         |         | R8 = 100k<br>R7 = 10k R9 = 1meg |         |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| fo                              | C5      | C6      | fo                              | C5      | C6      | fo                              | C5      | C6      |
| 23 Hz                           | 1μF     | .1μF    | 25 Hz                           | .47μF   | .047μF  | 12 Hz                           | .47μF   | .047μF  |
| 50 Hz                           | .47μF   | .047μF  | 38 Hz                           | .33μF   | .033μF  | 18 Hz                           | .33μF   | .033μF  |
| 72 Hz                           | .33μF   | .033μF  | 54 Hz                           | .22μF   | .022μF  | 27 Hz                           | .22μF   | .022μF  |
| 108 Hz                          | .22μF   | .022μF  | 79 Hz                           | .15μF   | .015μF  | 39 Hz                           | .15μF   | .015μF  |
| 158 Hz                          | .15μF   | .015μF  | 119 Hz                          | .1μF    | .01μF   | 59 Hz                           | .1μF    | .01μF   |
| 238 Hz                          | .1μF    | .01μF   | 145 Hz                          | .082μF  | .0082μF | 72 Hz                           | .082μF  | .0082μF |
| 290 Hz                          | .082μF  | .0082μF | 175 Hz                          | .068μF  | .0068μF | 87 Hz                           | .068μF  | .0068μF |
| 360 Hz                          | .068μF  | .0068μF | 212 Hz                          | .056μF  | .0056μF | 106 Hz                          | .056μF  | .0056μF |
| 425 Hz                          | .056μF  | .0056μF | 253 Hz                          | .047μF  | .0047μF | 128 Hz                          | .047μF  | .0047μF |
| 506 Hz                          | .047μF  | .0047μF | 360 Hz                          | .033μF  | .0033μF | 180 Hz                          | .033μF  | .0033μF |
| 721 Hz                          | .033μF  | .0033μF | 541 Hz                          | .022μF  | .0022μF | 270 Hz                          | .022μF  | .0022μF |
| 1082 Hz                         | .022μF  | .0022μF | 794 Hz                          | .015μF  | .0015μF | 397 Hz                          | .015μF  | .0015μF |
| 1588 Hz                         | .015μF  | .0015μF | 1191 Hz                         | .01μF   | .001μF  | 595 Hz                          | .01μF   | .001μF  |
| 2382 Hz                         | .01μF   | .001μF  | 1452 Hz                         | .0082μF | 820pF   | 726 Hz                          | .0082μF | 820pF   |
| 2904 Hz                         | .0082μF | 820pF   | 1751 Hz                         | .0068μF | 680pF   | 875 Hz                          | .0068μF | 680pF   |
| 3502 Hz                         | .0068μF | 680pF   | 2126 Hz                         | .0056μF | 560pF   | 1063 Hz                         | .0056μF | 560pF   |
| 4253 Hz                         | .0056μF | 560pF   | 2534 Hz                         | .0047μF | 470pF   | 1287 Hz                         | .0047μF | 470pF   |
| 5068 Hz                         | .0047μF | 470pF   | 3609 Hz                         | .0033μF | 330pF   | 1804 Hz                         | .0033μF | 330pF   |
| 7218 Hz                         | .0033μF | 330pF   | 5413 Hz                         | .0022μF | 220pF   | 2706 Hz                         | .0022μF | 220pF   |
| 10827 Hz                        | .0022μF | 220pF   | 7940 Hz                         | .0015μF | 150pF   | 3970 Hz                         | .0015μF | 150pF   |
| 15880 Hz                        | .0015μF | 150pF   | 11910 Hz                        | .001μF  | 100pF   | 5955 Hz                         | .001μF  | 100pF   |
| 23820 Hz                        | .001μF  | 100pF   | 14524 Hz                        | 820pF   | 82pF    | 7262 Hz                         | 820pF   | 82pF    |
|                                 |         |         | 17514 Hz                        | 680pF   | 68pF    | 8757 Hz                         | 680pF   | 68pF    |
|                                 |         |         | 21267 Hz                        | 560pF   | 56pF    | 10633 Hz                        | 560pF   | 56pF    |
|                                 |         |         |                                 |         |         | 12870 Hz                        | 470pF   | 47pF    |
|                                 |         |         |                                 |         |         | 18045 Hz                        | 330pF   | 33pF    |

### COMPONENT VALUES

|     |                 |    |           |
|-----|-----------------|----|-----------|
| R1  | 1meg            | C1 | 22μF      |
| R2  | 100k            | C2 | 780pF     |
| R3  | 1meg            | C3 | .0033μF   |
| R4  | 1.1k            | C4 | 39μF      |
| R5  | 100k            | C5 | SEE TABLE |
| R6  | 100k            | C6 | SEE TABLE |
| R7  | SEE TABLE       | C7 | 2.2μF     |
| R8  | (see) SEE TABLE |    |           |
| R9  | SEE TABLE       |    |           |
| R10 | 100k            |    |           |
| R11 | 100k            |    |           |
| R12 | 20k (6 STAGES)  |    |           |

Fig. 89-2

# THREE-CHANNEL TONE CONTROL



**Fig. 89-3**

### Circuit Notes

The input signal is fed via SK1 to the first active stage built around IC1. Configured as a noninverting amplifier whose gain is set by the ratio of R3 and R1. In this case, the gain is set at unity. This initial stage is required to isolate the following stage from any loading effects. The output from IC1 is fed via three frequency

shaping networks to IC2. The three networks built around RV1, RV2, and RV3 are also included in the feedback path of IC2, another inverting op amp stage. The components associated with the three variable resistors are chosen to give the required frequency control.

## IC PREAMPLIFIER WITH TONE CONTROL

IC PREAMPLIFIER RESPONSE CHARACTERISTICS

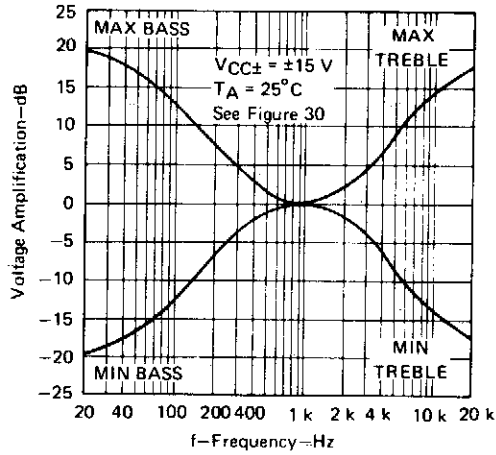
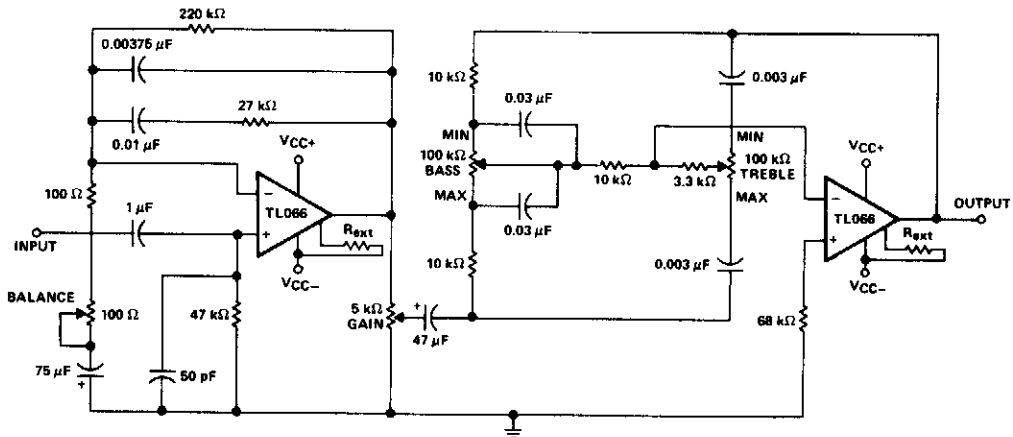
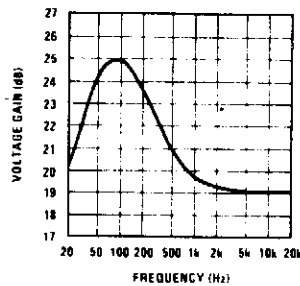
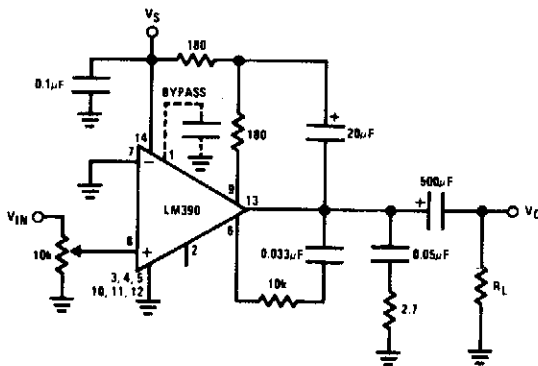


Fig. 89-4



## AMPLIFIER WITH BASS BOOST



Frequency Response with Bass Boost

Fig. 89-5

## ACTIVE BASS & TREBLE TONE CONTROL WITH BUFFER

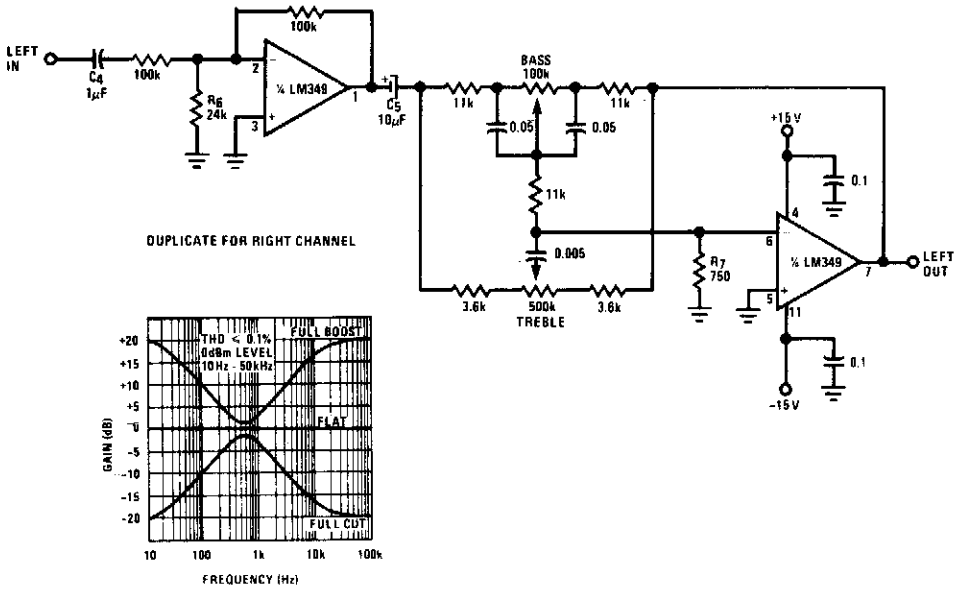


Fig. 89-6

## PASSIVE BASS & TREBLE TONE CONTROL

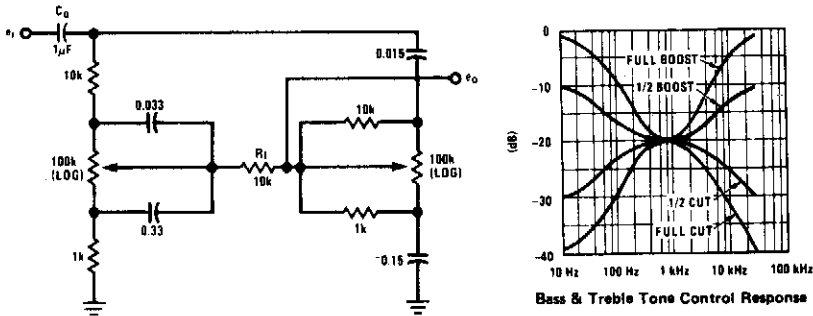


Fig. 89-7

## BAXENDALL TONE-CONTROL CIRCUIT

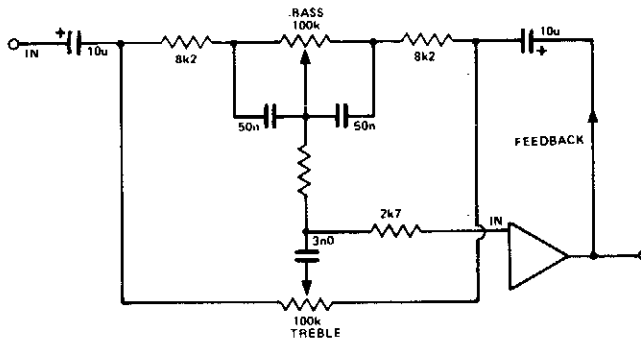


Fig. 89-8





## HI-FI TONE CONTROL CIRCUIT (HIGH Z INPUT)

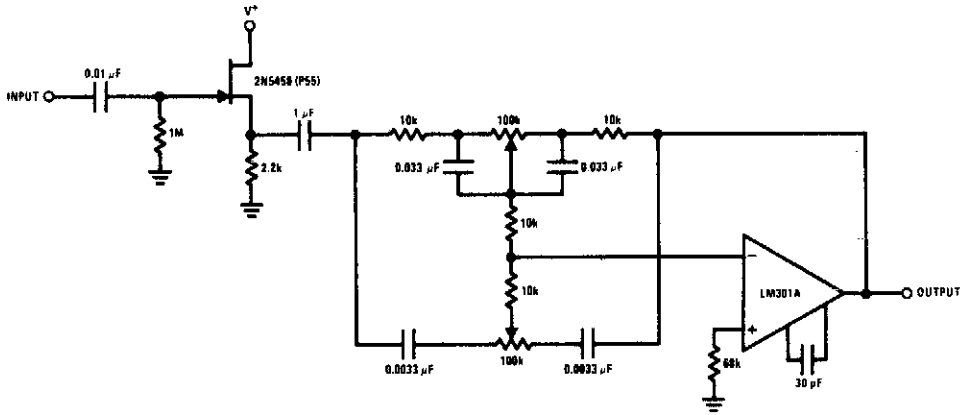


Fig. 89-11

### Circuit Notes

The 2N5458 JFET provides the function of a high input impedance and low noise characteristics to buffer an op amp feedback tone control circuit.

## THREE-BAND ACTIVE TONE CONTROL

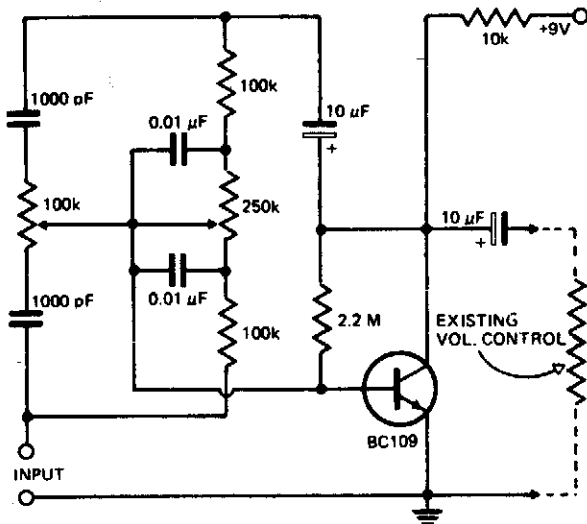
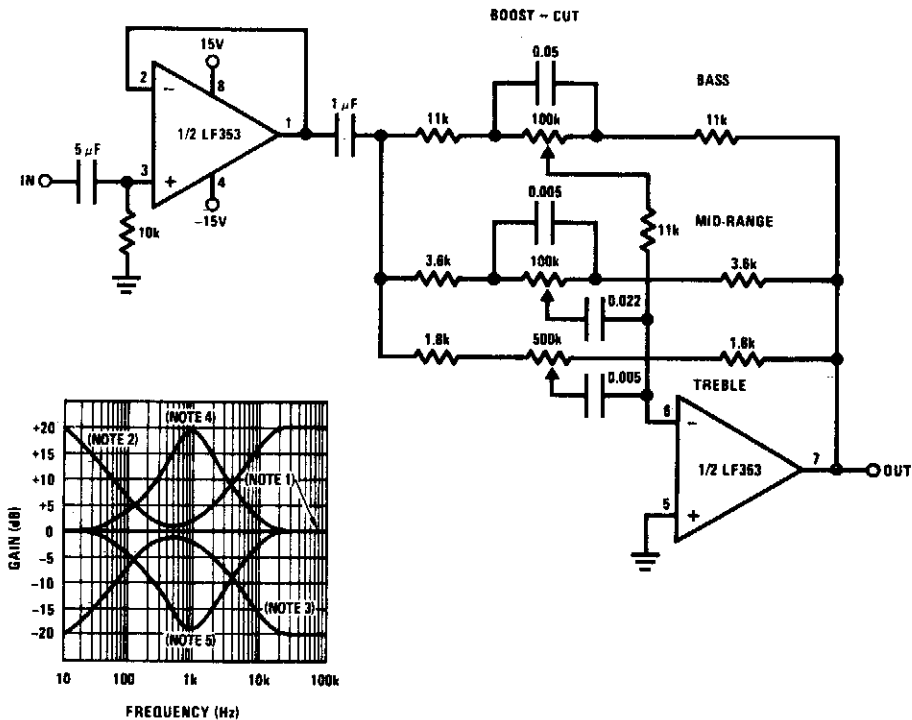


Fig. 89-12

## TONE CONTROL CIRCUIT



- Note 1: All controls flat.
- Note 2: Bass and treble boost, mid flat.
- Note 3: Bass and treble cut, mid flat.
- Note 4: Mid boost, bass and treble flat.
- Note 5: Mid cut, bass and treble flat.

- All potentiometers are linear taper
- Use the LF347 Quad for stereo applications

Fig. 89-13

### Circuit Notes

A simple single-transistor circuit will give approximately 15 dB boost or cut at 100 Hz and 15 kHz respectively. A low noise audio type transistor is used, and the output can be fed

directly into any existing amplifier volume control to which the tone control is to be fitted. The gain of the circuit is near unity when controls are set in the flat position.

# 90

## Transmitters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Wireless AM Microphone  
27 MHz and 49 MHz RF Oscillator/  
Transmitter

1-2 MHz Broadcaster Transmitter  
One Tube, 10 Watt C.W. Transmitter  
Simple FM Transmitter

## WIRELESS AM MICROPHONE

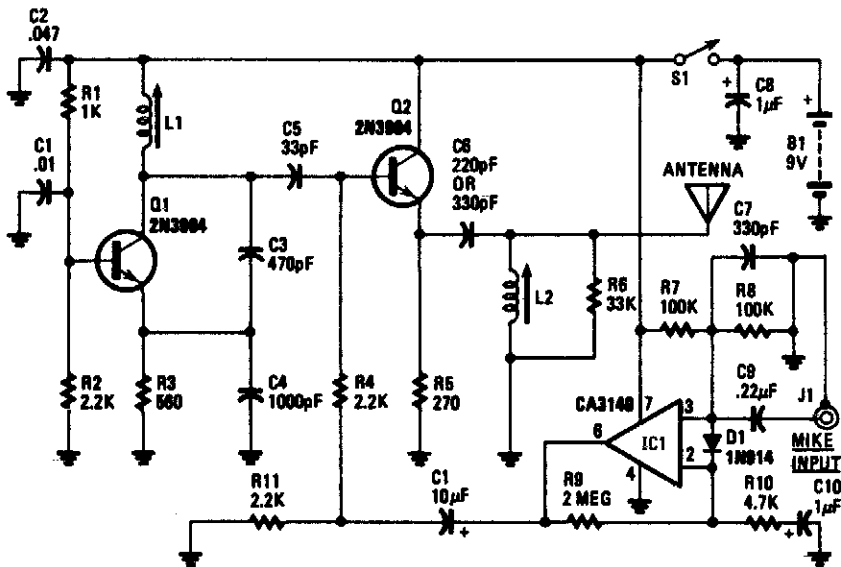


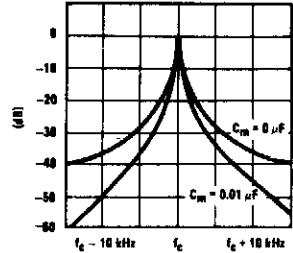
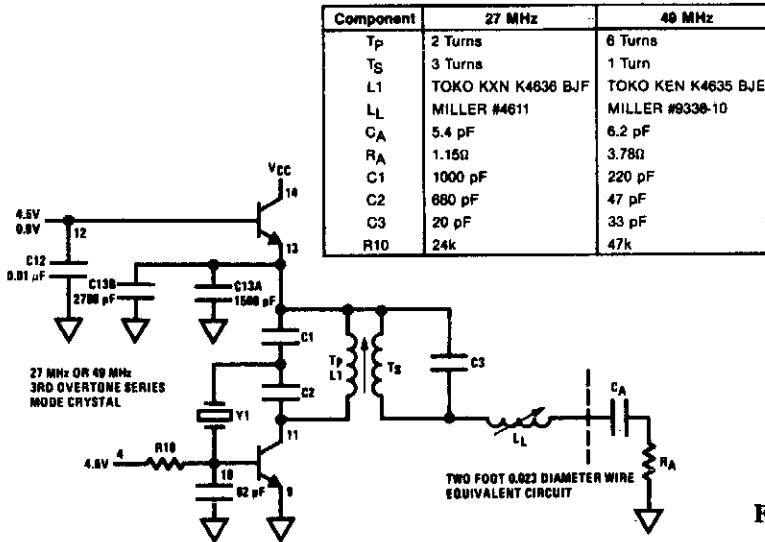
Fig. 90-1

### Circuit Notes

Transistor Q1 and its associated components comprise a tuneable rf oscillator. The rf signal is fed to transistor Q2, the modulator. Operational amplifier IC1 increases the audio signal and applies it through resistor R4 to the base of Q2. Tune an AM radio to an unused frequency between 800 to 1600 kHz. Tune L1 for a change in the audio level coming from the radio. Peak the output by adjusting L2. If L1 is disturbed, it may be necessary to readjust L2 for peak performance. Depending on the impedance of the microphone audio sensitivity can be increased by decreasing the value of R10 and vice versa.

## 27 MHz AND 49 MHz RF OSCILLATOR/TRANSMITTER

Use TOKO form #51-0116-02 and #30 wire or #51-0178 and #32 wire



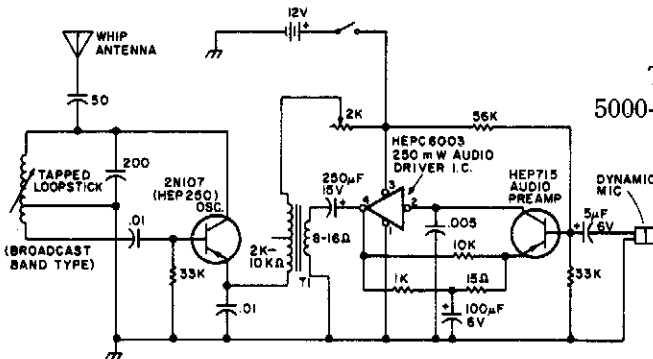
Envelope of Transmitted Spectrum for Circuit

Fig. 90-2

### Circuit Notes

The modulator and oscillator consist of two NPN transistors. The base of the modulator transistor is driven by a bidirectional current source with the voltage range for the high condition limited by a saturating PNP collector to the pin 4 VREG voltage and low condition limited by a saturating NPN collector in series with a diode to ground. The crystal oscillator/transmitter transistor is configured to oscillate in a class C mode. Because third overtone crystals are used for 27 MHz or 49 MHz applications a tuned collector load must be used to guarantee operation at the correct frequency.

## 1-2 MHz BROADCAST TRANSMITTER



### Circuit Notes

T1 is a low impedance output transformer 5000-8 ohms.

Fig. 90-3



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## Ultrasonics

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Ultrasonic Switch

Ultrasonic Bug-Chaser

Ultrasonic Pest Repeller

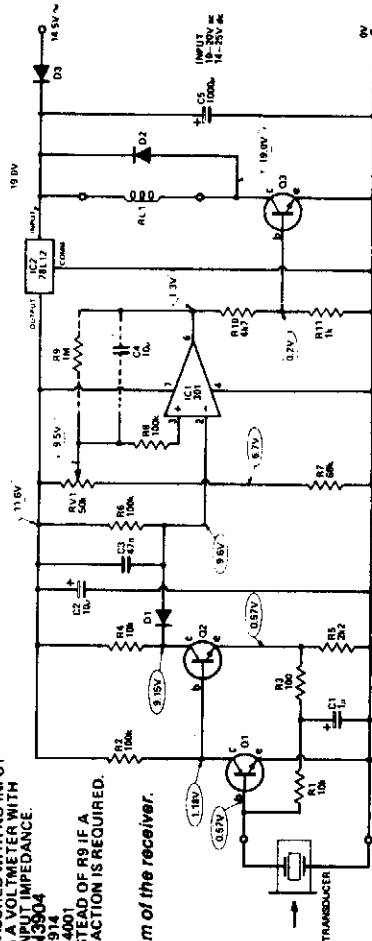
Mosquito-Repelling Circuit

40 kHz Ultrasonic Transmitter

# ULTRASONIC SWITCH

NOTES:  
 VOLTAGES MEASURED WITH NO INPUT SIGNAL USING A VOLTMETER WITH 10 MEG OHM INPUT IMPEDANCE.  
 Q1-Q3 ARE 2N3904  
 IS 1N934  
 C2 IS THE MINIMUM CAPACITANCE FOR MONOSTABLE ACTION IS REQUIRED.

Circuit diagram of the receiver.



NOTE:  
 VOLTAGES MEASURED USING A VOLTMETER WITH 10 MEG OHM INPUT IMPEDANCE.  
 Q1-2 ARE 2N3904

Fig. 91-1

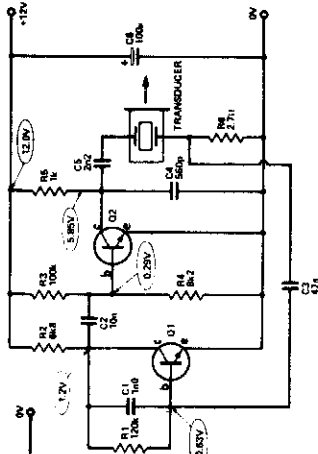
## Circuit Notes

**Receiver.** Output from the transducer is amplified by Q1 and Q2, and rectified by D1. Voltage on pin 2 of IC1 will go more negative as the input signal increases. IC1 is used as a comparator and checks the voltage on pin 2 (i.e., the sound level), to that on pin 3 which is the reference level. If pin 2 is at a lower voltage than pin 3 (i.e., a signal is present), the output of IC1 will be high (about 10.5 volts) and this will turn on Q3 which will close the relay. The

converse occurs if pin 2 is at a higher voltage than pin 3.

**Transmitter.** The oscillator frequency is determined by the transducer characteristics [minimum (series resonance) at 39.8 kHz followed by a maximum (parallel resonance) at 41.5 kHz.] Two transistors from a noninverting amplifier and positive feedback is supplied via the transducer, R6 and C3. At the series resonant frequency, this feedback is strong enough to cause oscillation.

Circuit diagram of the transmitter.





## ULTRASONIC BUG-CHASER

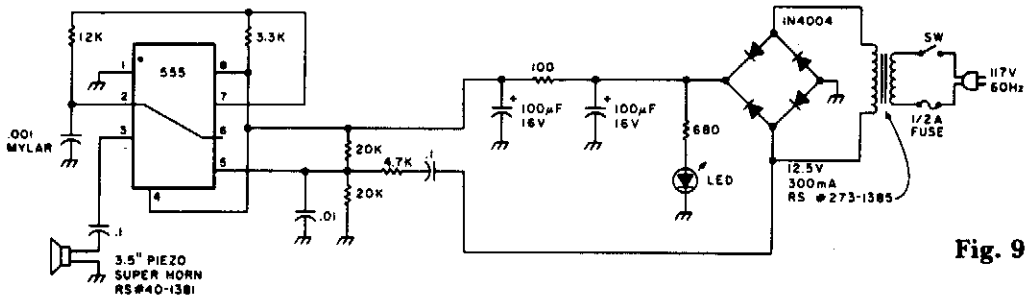


Fig. 91-2

### Circuit Notes

Low-intensity ultrasonic sound waves in the 30-45 kHz frequency band repel insects and small rodents. The unit is designed to generate a swept square wave from 30 to 45 kHz. The LM555 IC is wired as an ultrasonic oscillator

driving a piezoelectric speaker of the hi-fi super-tweeter type. The output of the oscillator is swept by a 60-Hz signal from the ac input of the bridge rectifier. The LED acts as a pilot.

## MOSQUITO-REPELLING CIRCUIT

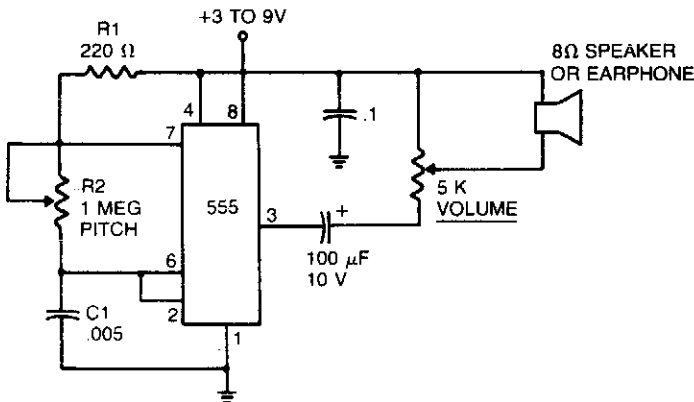


Fig. 91-3

### Circuit Notes

In the 555 oscillator circuit, adjusting R2 will provide output frequencies from below 200 Hz to above 62 kHz. Use a good quality mini-

ature speaker so that it will produce frequencies on the order of 20 kHz.

## ULTRASONIC PEST REPELLER

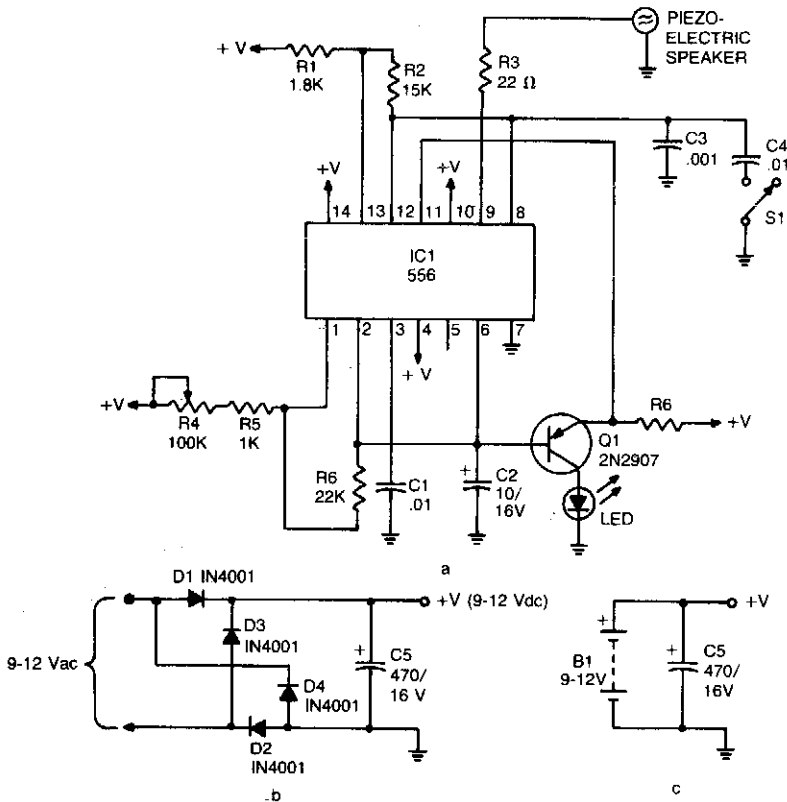


Fig. 91-4

### Circuit Notes

The device emits ultrasonic sound waves that sweep between 65,000 and 25,000 hertz. Designed around a 556 dual timer, one half operated as an astable multivibrator with an adjustable frequency of 1 to 3 Hz. The second half is also operated as an astable multivibrator but with a fixed free running frequency around

45,000 Hz. The 25-65 kHz sweep is accomplished by coupling the voltage across C2 (the timing capacitor for the first half of the 556) via Q1 to the control voltage terminal (pin 11) of the second half of the 556. The device that radiates the ultrasonic sound is a piezo tweeter.

## 40 kHz ULTRASONIC TRANSMITTER

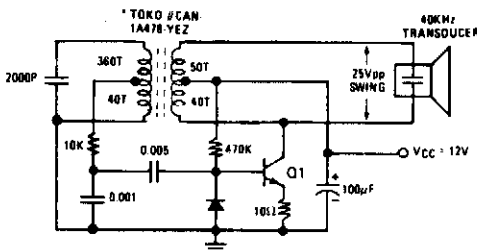


Fig. 91-5

## Video Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Video IF Amplifier and Low-Level Video  
Detector Circuit

Television IF Amplifier and Detector Using  
an MC1330 and an MC1352

Two-Stage Wideband Amplifier

Video IF Amplifier and Low-Level Video  
Detector Circuit

TV Sound IF or FM IF Amplifier with Quad-  
rature Detector

IF Amplifier

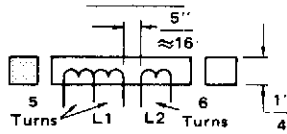
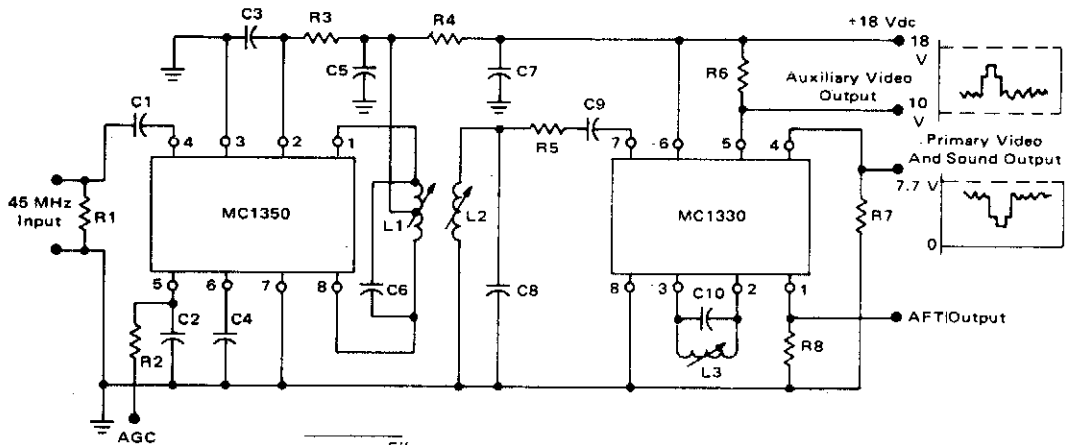
FET Cascode Video Amplifier

High Impedance Low Capacitance Amplifier

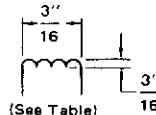
JFET Bipolar Cascode Video Amplifier  
Video Amplifier

Video Amplifier

## VIDEO IF AMPLIFIER AND LOW-LEVEL VIDEO DETECTOR CIRCUIT



All windings #30 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned with high permeability slugs. Coil Craft #4786 differential transformer.



L3 wound with #26 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned by distorting winding.

|                    |                  |                   |                     |
|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| C1 = 0.001 $\mu$ F | C6 = See Table   | R1 = 50 $\Omega$  | R6 = 3.3 k $\Omega$ |
| C2 = 0.002 $\mu$ F | C7 = 0.1 $\mu$ F | R2 = 5 k          | R7 = 3.9 k $\Omega$ |
| C3 = 0.002 $\mu$ F | C8 = See Table   | R3 = 470 $\Omega$ | R8 = 3.9 k $\Omega$ |
| C4 = 0.002 $\mu$ F | C9 = 68 pF       | R4 = 220 $\Omega$ | All Resistors       |
| C5 = 0.002 $\mu$ F | C10 = See Table  | R5 = 22 $\Omega$  | 1/4-W $\pm$ 10%     |

All Caps Marked  $\mu$ F Ceramic HIK  
All Caps Marked pF Silver Mica 5%

Table of Component Values

| Component | 36 MHz   | .45 MHz  | 58 MHz   |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| C6        | 24 pF    | 15 pF    | 10 pF    |
| C8        | 18 pF    | 12 pF    | 10 pF    |
| C10       | 33 pF    | 33 pF    | 18 pF    |
| L3        | 12 Turns | 10 Turns | 10 Turns |

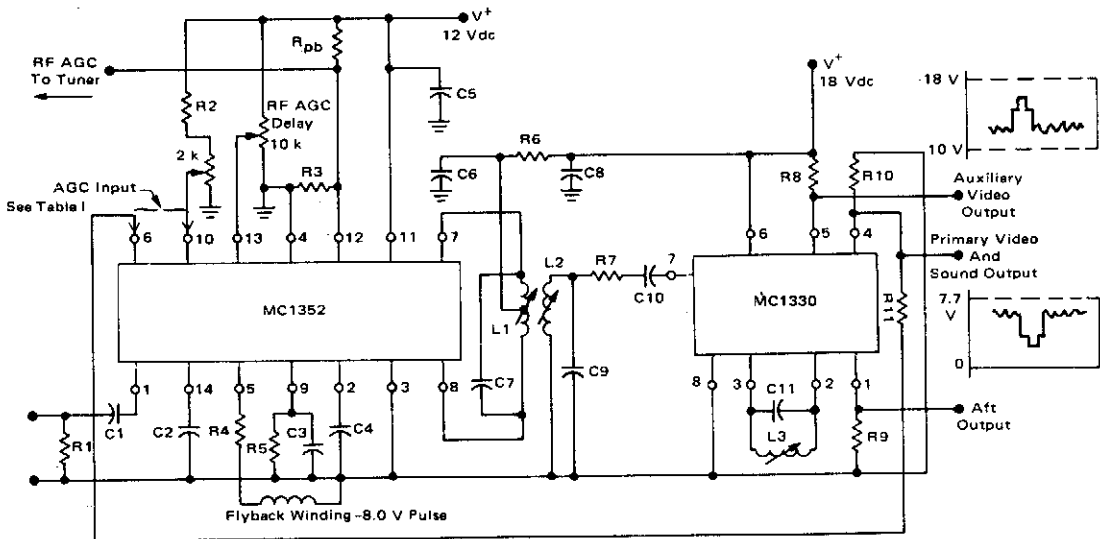
Fig. 92-1

### Circuit Notes

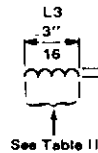
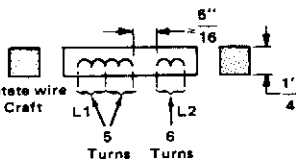
The circuit has a typical voltage gain of 84 dB and a typical AGC range of 80 dB. It gives very small changes in bandpass shape, usually less than 1 dB tilt for 60 dB compression. There are no shielded sections. The detector

uses a single tuned circuit (L3 and C10). Coupling between the two integrated circuits is achieved by a double tuned transformer (L1 and L2).

## TELEVISION IF AMPLIFIER AND DETECTOR USING AN MC1330 AND AN MC1352



All windings #30 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned with high permeability slugs. Coil Craft #4786 differential transformer.



C10 = 62 pF  
C11 = (See Table II)  
All Resistors 1/4-Watt  $\pm 5\%$

Wound with #26 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned by distorting winding.  
See Table II

TABLE I

| Video Polarity       | Pin 6 Voltage                     | Pin 10 Voltage                    | R4    |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Negative-Going Sync. | 5.5<br>2.0<br>0                   | Adj. 1.0-4.0 Vdc<br><br>Nom 2.0 V | 0     |
| Positive-Going Sync. | Adj. 1.0-8.0 Vdc<br><br>Nom 4.5 V | 4.5<br>0                          | 3.9 k |

TABLE II

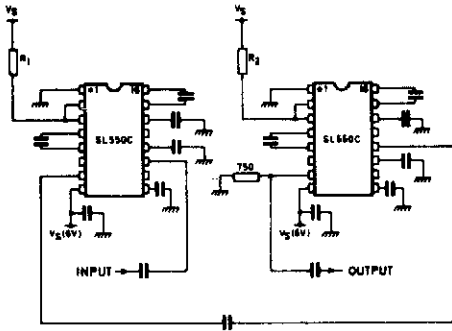
| Component | 36 MHz   | 45 MHz   | 58 MHz   |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| C7        | 24 pF    | 15 pF    | 10 pF    |
| C9        | 18 pF    | 12 pF    | 10 pF    |
| C11       | 33 pF    | 33 pF    | 18 pF    |
| L3        | 12 Turns | 10 Turns | 10 Turns |

R<sub>pb</sub> (See Text)  
R1 = 50  $\Omega$   
R2 = 3.9 k $\Omega$   
R3 = (See Text)  
R4 = (See Table I)  
R5 = 220 k $\Omega$   
R6 = 220  $\Omega$   
R7 = 22  $\Omega$   
R8 = 3.3 k $\Omega$   
R9 = 3.9 k $\Omega$

R10 = 3.9 k $\Omega$   
R11 = 4.7 k $\Omega$   
C1 = 0.001  $\mu$ F  
C2 = 0.1  $\mu$ F  
C3 = 0.25  $\mu$ F  
C5 = 0.1  $\mu$ F  
C6 = 0.1  $\mu$ F  
C7 = (See Table II)  
C8 = 0.1  $\mu$ F  
C9 = (See Table II)

Fig. 92-2

## TWO-STAGE WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



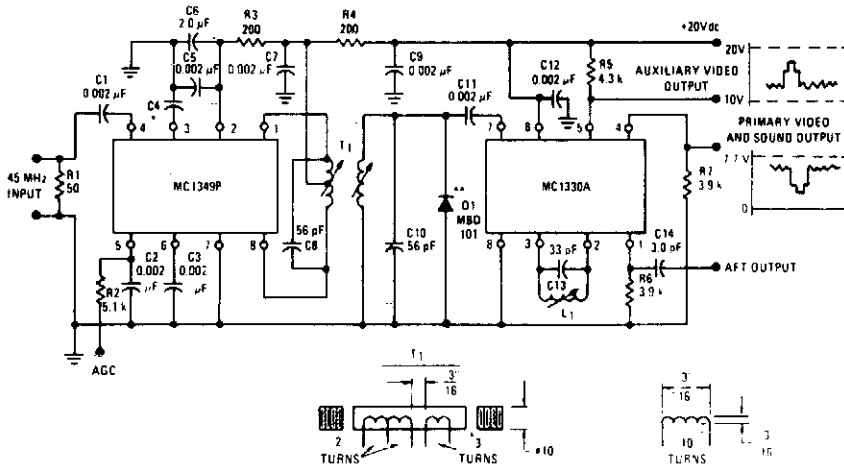
ALL CAPACITORS 1000 pF

**Fig 92-3**

### Circuit Notes

A wideband high gain configuration using two SL550s connected in series. The first stage is connected in common emitter configuration, the second stage is a common base circuit. Stable gains of up to 65 dB can be achieved by the proper choice of R1 and R2. The bandwidth is 5 to 130 MHz, with a noise figure only marginally greater than the 2.0 dB specified for a single stage circuit.

## VIDEO IF AMPLIFIER AND LOW-LEVEL VIDEO DETECTOR CIRCUIT



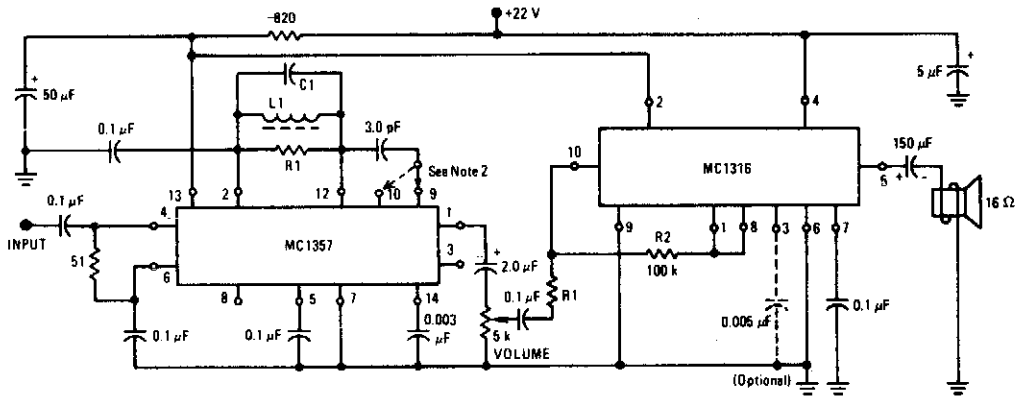
All windings 22 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned with Carcraft #B1 slugs, size 10-32, or equivalent

L<sub>1</sub> wound with 26 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned by distorting winding

**Fig. 92-4**

\*See Note 1 (page 3), and C4, Parts List (page 4) for this specification on the MC1349P Data Sheet  
 \*\*See Input Overload Section of the Design Characteristics Page 3, and General Information, Page 5, Note 8

# TV SOUND IF OR FM IF AMPLIFIER WITH QUADRATURE DETECTOR



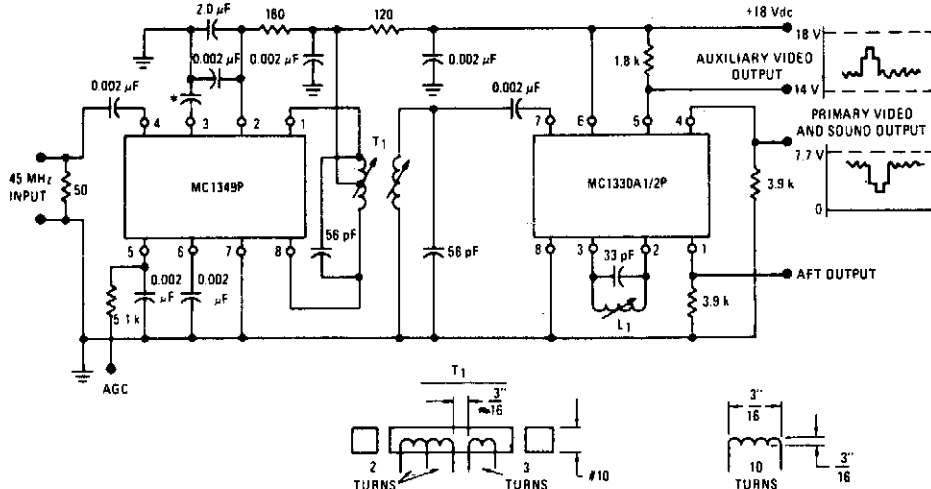
Typical Performance:  
 2 Watts Output  
 2% Distortion  
 250  $\mu$ V Sensitivity (3 dB Lim.)

C1 = 120 pF  
 L1 = 14  $\mu$ H  
 R1 = 20 k $\Omega$   
 $\Omega$  = 30

Fig. 92-5

# IF AMPLIFIER

— TYPICAL APPLICATION OF MC1349P VIDEO IF AMPLIFIER  
 and MC1330A1/2P LOW-LEVEL VIDEO DETECTOR CIRCUIT



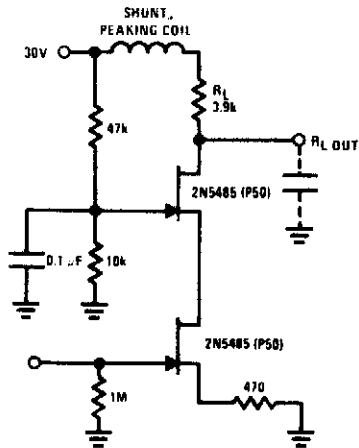
All windings #22 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned with Colecraft #61 slugs, size 10 32, or equivalent.

\*See Note 1 (page 3), and C4, Parts List (page 4) of this specification.

L1 wound with #26 AWG tinned nylon acetate wire tuned by distorting winding.

Fig. 92-6

## FET CASCODE VIDEO AMPLIFIER



### Circuit Notes

The FET cascode video amplifier features very low input loading and reduction of feedback to almost zero. The 2N5485 is used because of its low capacitance and high  $Y_{fs}$ . Bandwidth of this amplifier is limited by  $R_L$  and load capacitance.

Fig. 92-7

## HIGH IMPEDANCE LOW CAPACITANCE AMPLIFIER

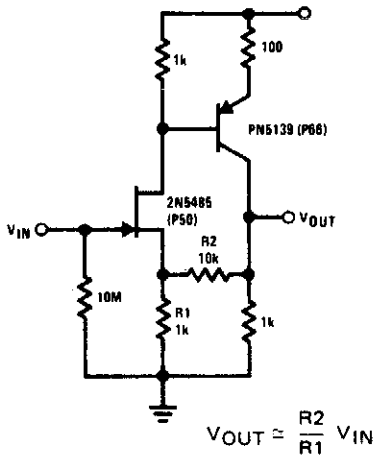


Fig. 92-8

### Circuit Notes

This compound series-feedback circuit provides high input impedance and stable, wide-band gain for general purpose video amplifier applications.



## JFET BIPOLAR CASCODE VIDEO AMPLIFIER

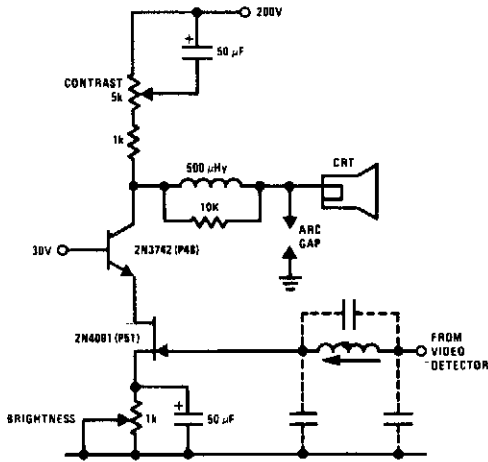


Fig. 92-9

### Circuit Notes

The JFET-bipolar cascode circuit will provide full video output for the CRT cathode drive. Gain is about 90. The cascode configuration eliminates Miller capacitance problems with the 2N4091 JFET, thus allowing direct drive from the video detector. An m-derived filter using stray capacitance and a variable inductor prevents 4.5 MHz sound frequency from being amplified by the video amplifier.

### VIDEO AMPLIFIER

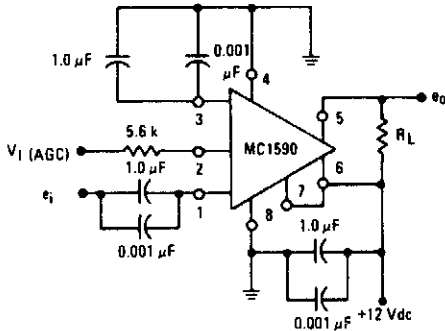


Fig. 92-10

### VIDEO AMPLIFIER

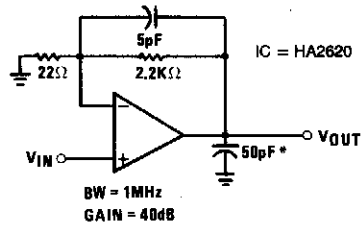


Fig. 92-11

\*A small load capacitance of at least 30pF (including stray capacitance) is recommended to prevent possible high frequency oscillations.

# Voltage and Current Sources and References

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| Bilateral Current Source                          | Inverting Bipolar Current Source                 |
| 0 V to 20 V Power Reference                       | Precision Reference Micropower 10 V Reference    |
| Programmable Voltage Source                       | Precision Reference Low Noise Buffered Reference |
| Bilateral Current Source                          | Constant Current Source                          |
| Noninverting Bipolar Current Source               | Precision Dual Tracking Voltage References       |
| Voltage Reference                                 | Precision Reference Bipolar Output Reference     |
| Low Voltage Adjustable Reference Supply           | Precision Reference 0 V to 20 V Power Reference  |
| Voltage Reference                                 | Precision Reference Standard Cell Replacement    |
| Low Power Regulator Reference                     |  |
| High Stability Voltage Reference                  |  |
| $\pm 3$ V Reference                               |  |
| $\pm 5$ V Reference                               |  |
| Zenerless Precision Millivolt Source              |  |
| $\pm 10$ V Reference                              |  |
| Precision Reference Square Wave Voltage Reference |  |

## BILATERAL CURRENT SOURCE

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will produce the current relationship to within 2% using 1% values for R1 through R5. This includes variations in  $R_L$  from 100 ohm to 2000 ohm. The use of large resistors for R1 through R4 minimizes the error due to  $R_L$  variations. The large resistors are possible because of the excellent input bias current performance of the OP-08.

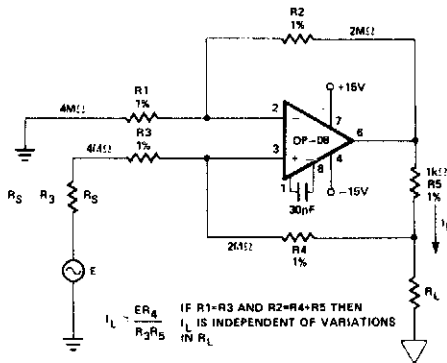


Fig. 93-1

## 0 V TO 20 V POWER REFERENCE

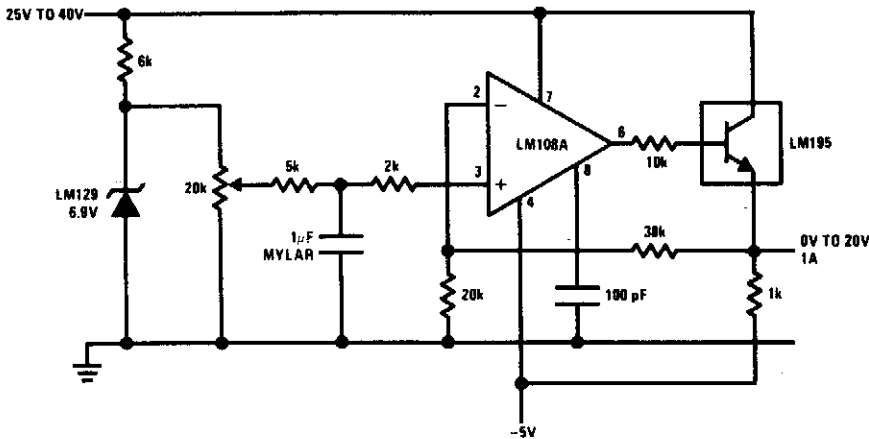


Fig. 93-2

## PROGRAMMABLE VOLTAGE SOURCE

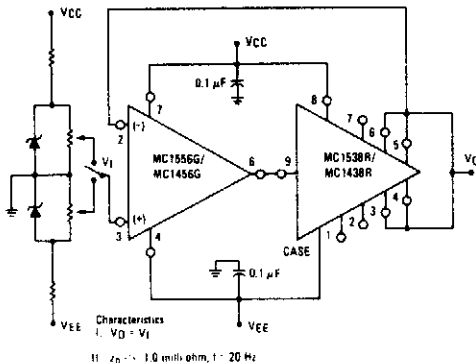


Fig. 93-3

### BILATERAL CURRENT SOURCE

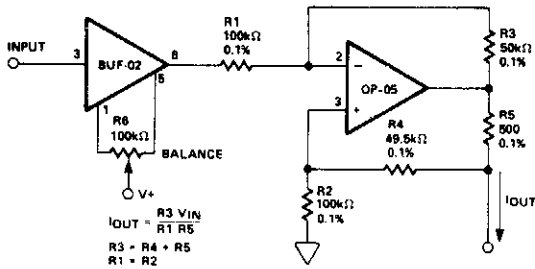


Fig. 93-4

### LOW VOLTAGE ADJUSTABLE REFERENCE SUPPLY

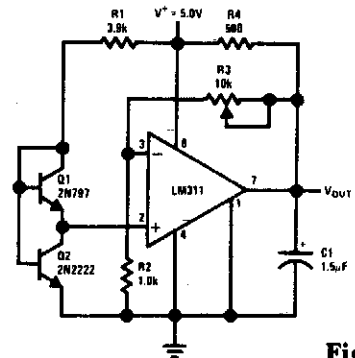


Fig. 93-7

### NONINVERTING BIPOLAR CURRENT SOURCE

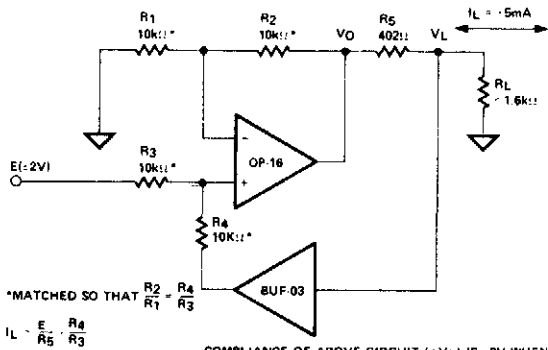


Fig. 93-5

COMPLIANCE OF ABOVE CIRCUIT ( $\Delta V_L$ ) IS -8V WHEN  $E = -2V$  AND  $R_L = 1.6k\Omega$ . NOTE THAT  $V_O$  IS -10V UNDER THESE CONDITIONS.

### VOLTAGE REFERENCE

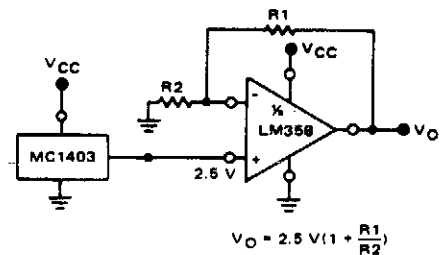


Fig. 93-8

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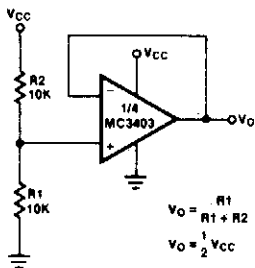


Fig. 93-6

### LOW POWER REGULATOR REFERENCE

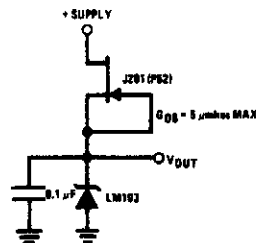


Fig. 93-9

### Circuit Notes

This simple reference circuit provides a stable voltage reference almost totally free of supply voltage hash. Typical power supply rejection exceeds 100 dB.

### HIGH STABILITY VOLTAGE REFERENCE

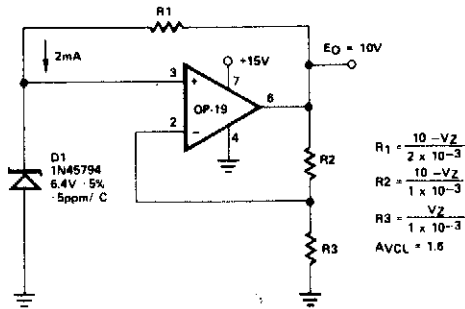


Fig. 93-10

$$R1 = \frac{10 - V_Z}{2 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$R2 = \frac{10 - V_Z}{1 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$R3 = \frac{V_Z}{1 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$AV_{CL} = 1.6$$

### ZENERLESS PRECISION MILLIVOLT SOURCE

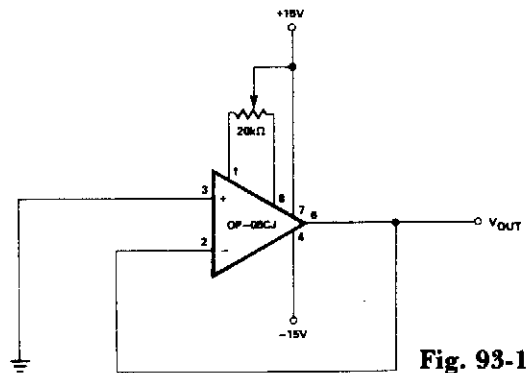


Fig. 93-13

### ± 3 V REFERENCE

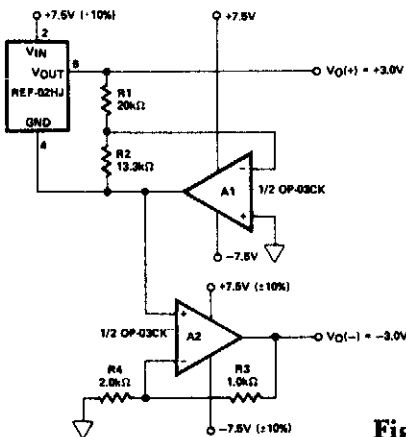


Fig. 93-11

### ± 10 V REFERENCE

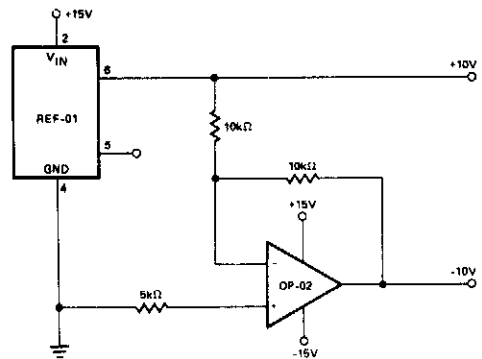


Fig. 93-14

### ± 5 V REFERENCE

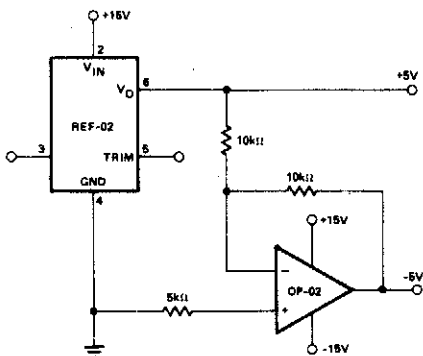


Fig. 93-12

### PRECISION REFERENCE SQUARE WAVE VOLTAGE REFERENCE

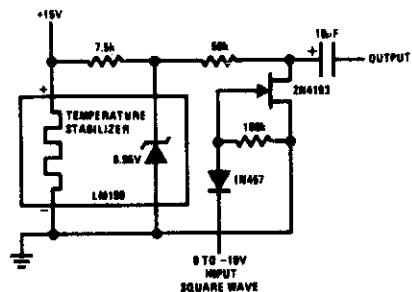
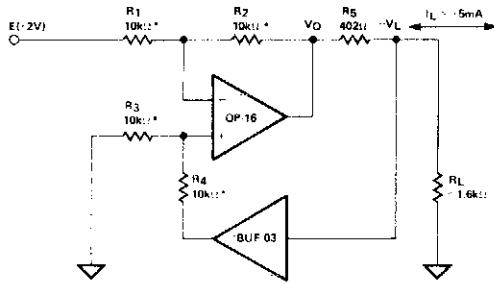


Fig. 93-15

### INVERTING BIPOLAR CURRENT SOURCE (HIGH SPEED)



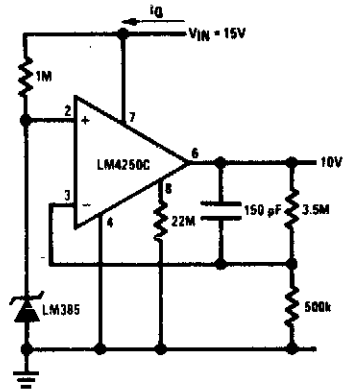
\*MATCHED SO THAT  $\frac{R_2}{R_1} = \frac{R_4}{R_3}$

$$I_L = \frac{E}{R_5} \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

COMPLIANCE OF ABOVE CIRCUIT ( $V_{VL}$ ) IS 8V WHEN  $E = -2V$  AND  $R_L = 1.6k\Omega$ . NOTE THAT  $V_O$  IS 10V UNDER THESE CONDITIONS.

Fig. 93-16

### PRECISION REFERENCE MICROPOWER 10 V REFERENCE



\*  $I_{Q20} = 20 \mu A$  standby current

Fig. 93-17

### PRECISION REFERENCE LOW NOISE BUFFERED REFERENCE

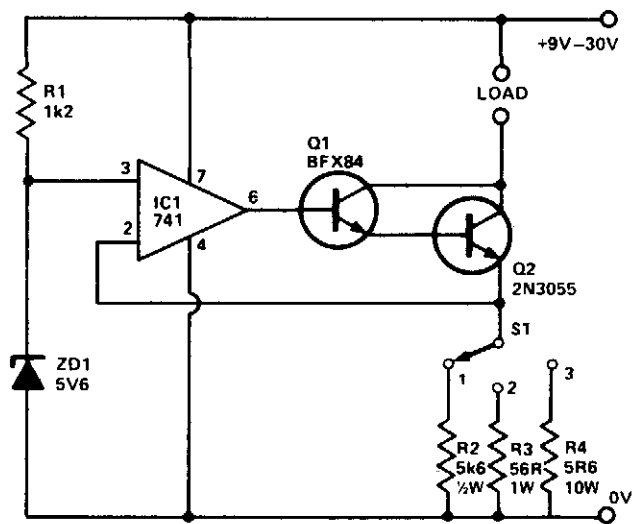


Fig. 93-18

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit will provide 3 preset currents which will remain constant despite variations of ambient temperature or line voltage. ZD1 produces a temperature stable reference voltage which is applied to the noninverting input of IC1. 100% feedback is applied from the output to the inverting input holding the voltage at

Q2s emitter at the same potential as the noninverting input. The current flowing into the load therefore is defined solely by the resistor selected by S1. With the values employed here, a preset current of 10 mA, 100 mA or 1 A can be selected. Q2 should be mounted on a suitable heatsink.

### CONSTANT CURRENT SOURCE

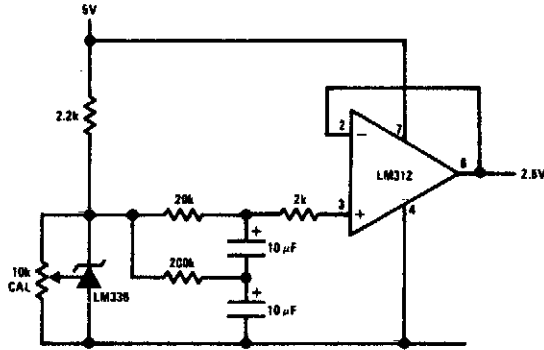


Fig. 93-19

### PRECISION DUAL TRACKING VOLTAGE REFERENCES

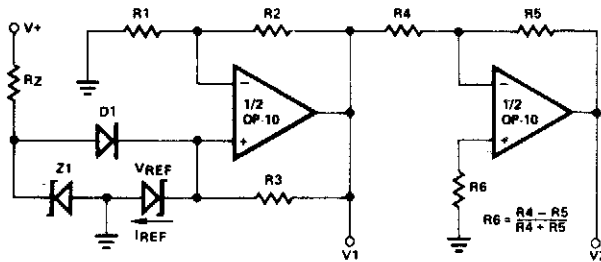


Fig. 93-20

### PRECISION REFERENCE BIPOLAR OUTPUT REFERENCE

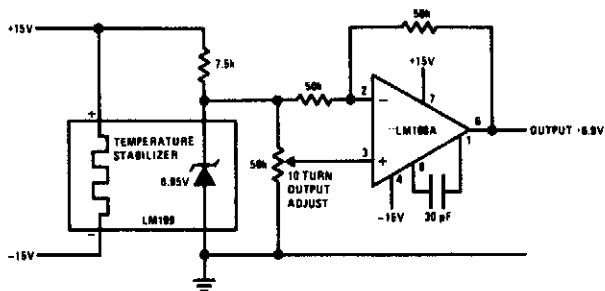


Fig. 93-21

### PRECISION REFERENCE 0 V TO 20 V POWER REFERENCE

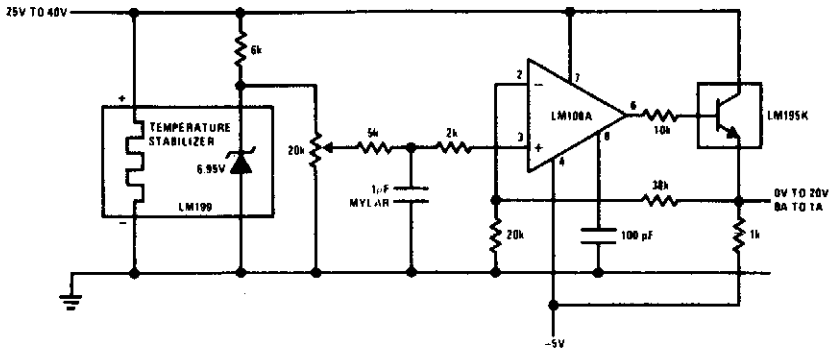


Fig. 93-22

### PRECISION REFERENCE STANDARD CELL REPLACEMENT

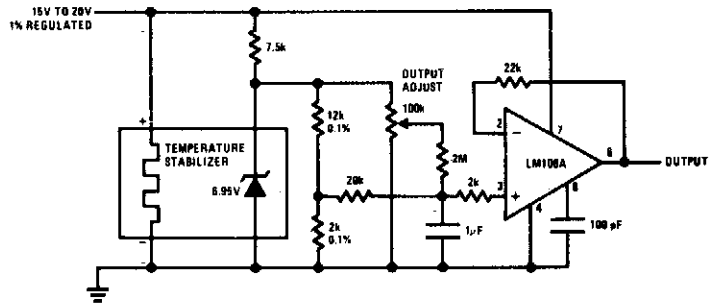


Fig. 93-23



# 94

## Voltage- Controlled Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Linear Voltage Controlled Oscillator  
10 Hz to 10 kHz Voltage Controlled Oscillator  
Precision Voltage Controlled Oscillator  
Voltage Controlled Oscillator

Simple Voltage Controlled Oscillator  
Three Decades VCO  
Two-Decade High-Frequency VCO  
Voltage Controlled Oscillator  
Voltage Controlled Oscillator



## PRECISION VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

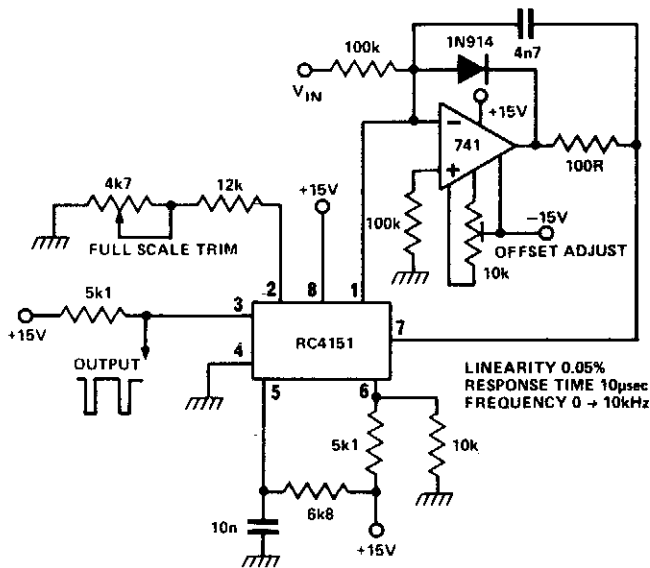
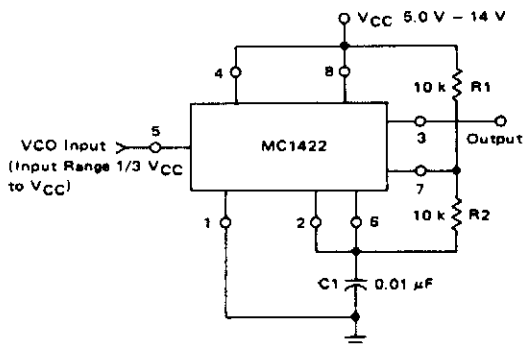


Fig. 94-3

### Circuit Notes

RC 4151 precision voltage-to-frequency converter generates a pulse train output linearly proportional to the input voltage.

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

The VCO circuit, which has a nonlinear transfer characteristic, will operate satisfactorily up to 200 kHz. The VCO input range is effective from  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$  to  $V_{CC} - 2 V$ , with the highest control voltage producing the lowest output frequency.

Fig. 94-4

## SIMPLE VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

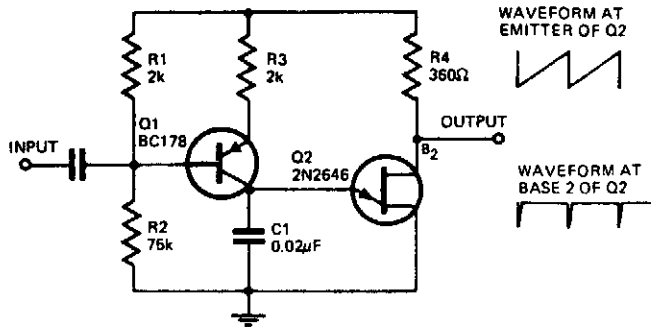


Fig. 94-5

### Circuit Notes

With the component values shown, the oscillator has a frequency of 8 kHz. When an input signal is applied to the base of Q1 the current flowing through Q1 is varied, thus varying the time required to charge C1. Due to the phase inversion in Q1 the direction of output frequency change is 180 degrees out of phase with the input signal. The output may be used to trigger a bistable flip-flop.

## THREE DECADES VCO

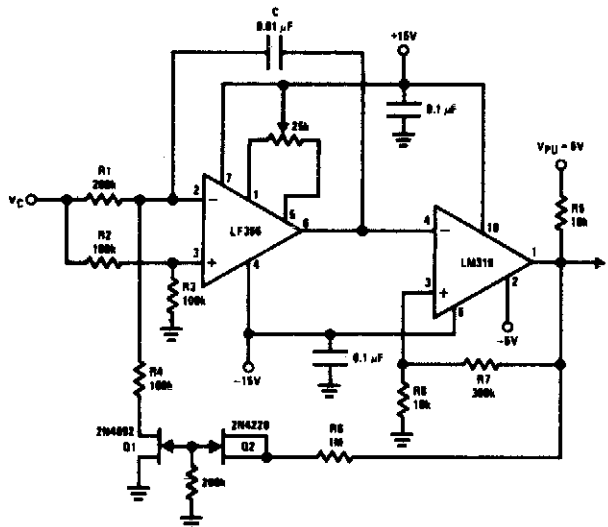


Fig. 94-6

$$f = \frac{V_C (R_B + R_7)}{[8 V_{PU} R_8 R_1] C} \quad , 0 \leq V_C \leq 30V, 10 \text{ Hz} \leq f \leq 10 \text{ kHz}$$

R1, R4 matched. Linearity 0.1% over 2 decades.

## TWO-DECADE HIGH-FREQUENCY VCO

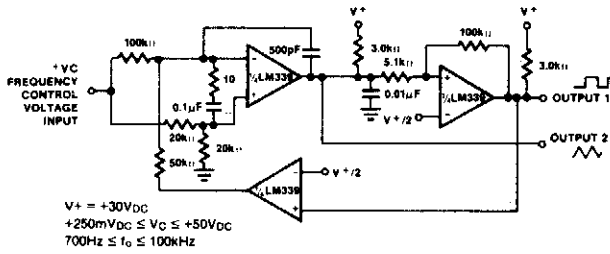


Fig. 94-7

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

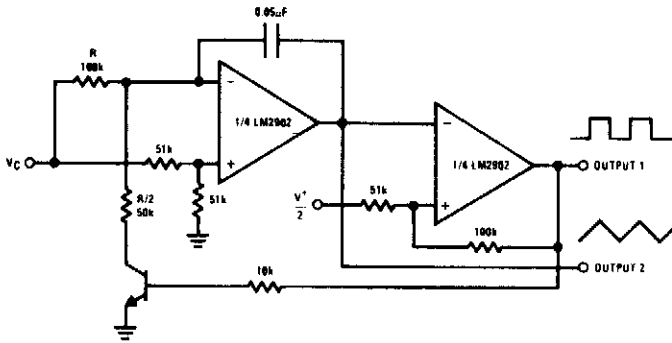
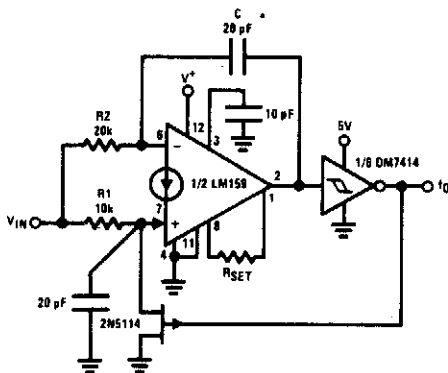


Fig. 94-8

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR



$$f_o = \frac{V_{IN} - \Delta}{4C\Delta V R_1}$$

where:  $R_2 = 2R_1$

$\Delta$  = amplifier input voltage = 0.6V

$\Delta V$  = DM7414 hysteresis, typ 1V

- 5 MHz operation
- T<sup>2</sup>L output

Fig. 94-9

# 95

## Voltage-to-Frequency Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

10 Hz to 10 kHz Voltage/Frequency Converter

Voltage-to-Frequency Converter

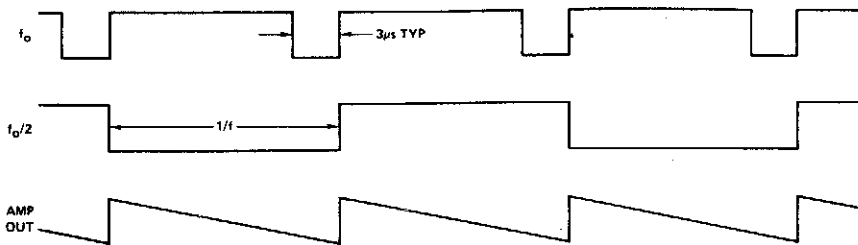
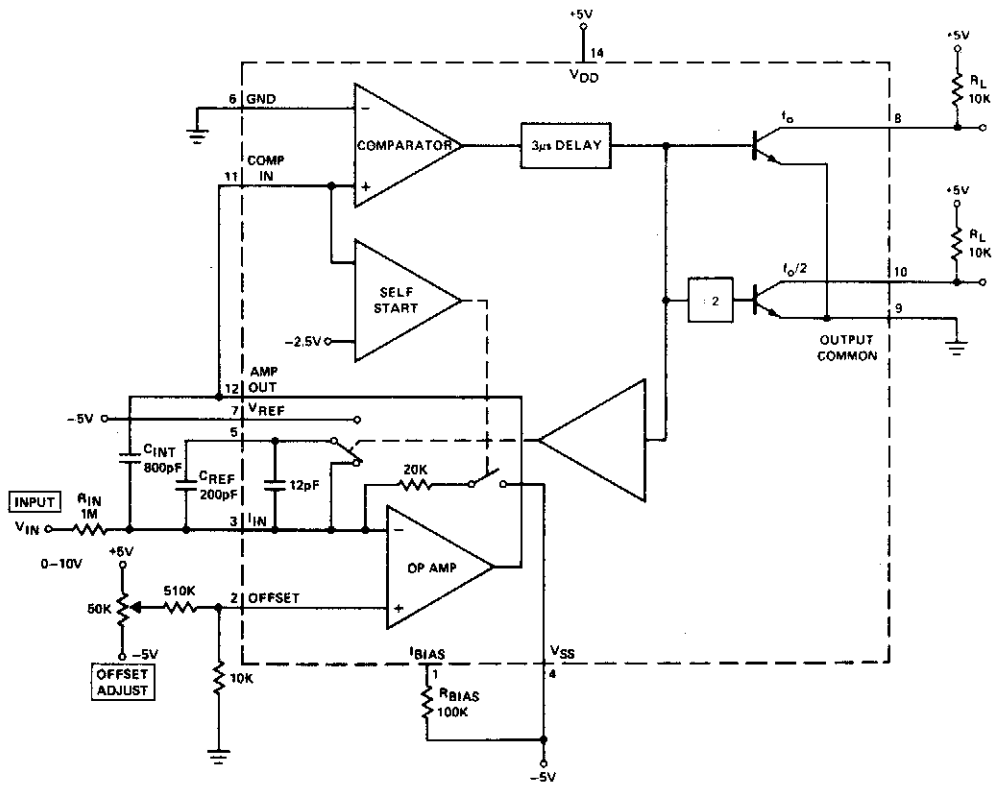
Voltage-to-Frequency Converter

V/F Conversion, Positive Input Voltage

Ultraprecision V/F Converter

V/F Conversion, Negative Input Voltage

# 10 Hz TO 10 kHz VOLTAGE/FREQUENCY CONVERTER



1. To adjust  $f_{min}$ , set  $V_{IN} = 10mV$  and adjust the 50K offset for 10Hz out.
2. To adjust  $f_{max}$ , set  $V_{IN} 10V$  and adjust  $R_{IN}$  or  $V_{REF}$  for 10KHz out.
3. To increase  $f_{OUTMAX}$  to 100KHz change  $C_{REF}$  to 15pF and  $C_{INT}$  to 75pF
4. For high performance applications use high stability components for  $R_{IN}$ ,  $C_{REF}$ ,  $V_{REF}$  (metal film resistors and glass film capacitors). Also separate the output ground (Pin 9) from the input ground (Pin 6).

Output Waveforms

Fig. 95-1

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

### Circuit Notes

The D169 serves as a level detector and provides complementary outputs. The op amp is used to integrate the input signal  $V_{IN}$  with a time constant of  $R_1C_1$ . The input (must be negative) causes a positive ramp at the output of the integrator which is summed with a negative zener voltage. When the ramp is positive enough D169 outputs change state and OUT 2 flips from negative to positive. The output pulse repetition rate  $f_o$  is directly proportioned to the negative input voltage  $V_{IN}$ .

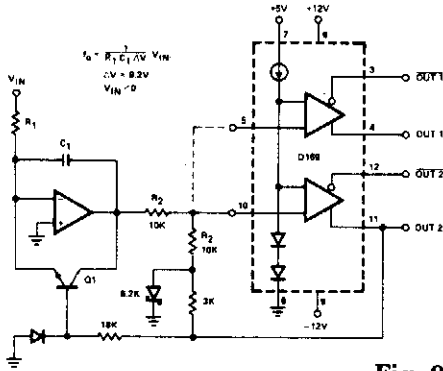


Fig. 95-2

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

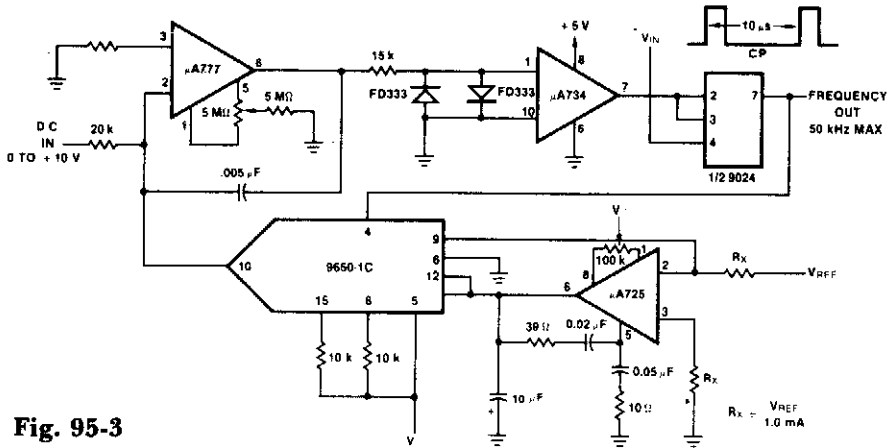


Fig. 95-3

## V/F CONVERSION, POSITIVE INPUT VOLTAGE

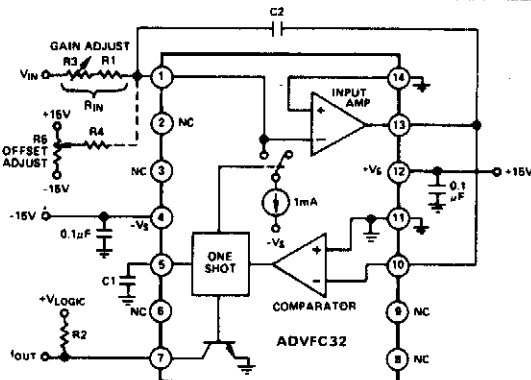


Fig. 95-4



## ULTRAPRECISION V/F CONVERTER

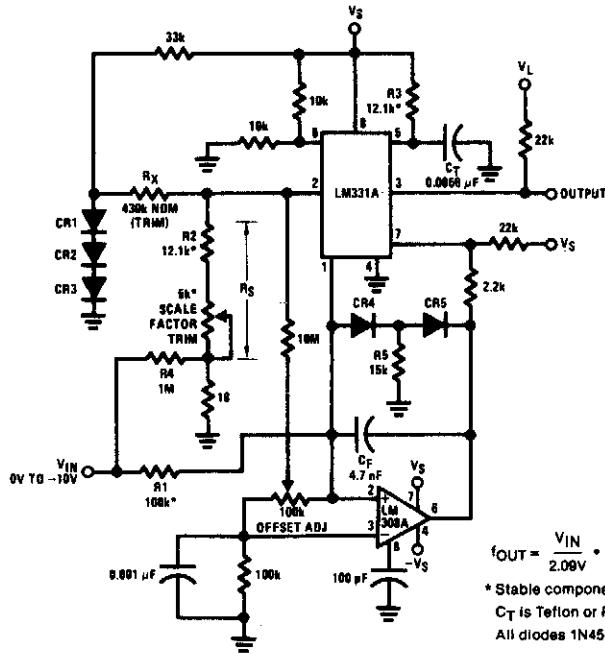


Fig. 95-5

$$f_{OUT} = \frac{V_{IN}}{2.09V} \cdot \frac{R_S}{R_1} \cdot \frac{1}{R_T C_T} \quad \text{Full-scale output 10 kHz}$$

\* Stable components with low tempco; see text

$C_T$  is Teflon or Polystyrene

All diodes 1N457, 1N484, or FD333 (low-leakage silicon)

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is capable of better than 0.02% error and 0.003% nonlinearity for a  $\pm 20^\circ\text{C}$  range about room temperature.

## V/F CONVERSION, NEGATIVE INPUT VOLTAGE

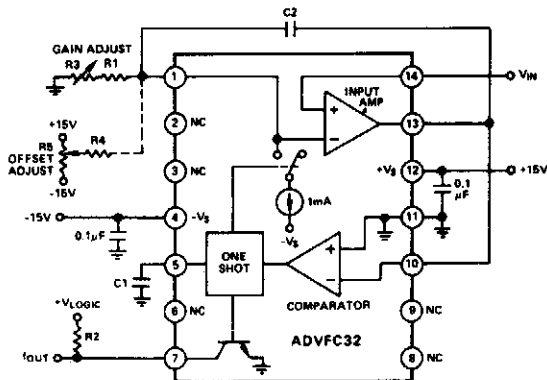


Fig. 95-6

# 96

## Voltmeters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 730. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

3- $\frac{3}{4}$  Digit DVM, Four Decade,  $\pm 0.4$  V,  $\pm 4$   
V,  $\pm 40$  V, and  $\pm 400$  V Full Scale

Automatic Nulling DVM

3- $\frac{1}{2}$  Digit True RMS AC Voltmeter

3- $\frac{1}{2}$  Digit DVM Common Anode Display

DVM Auto-Calibrate Circuit

FET Voltmeter

Extended Range VU Meter (Bar Mode)

High Input Impedance Millivoltmeter

Wide Band AC Voltmeter

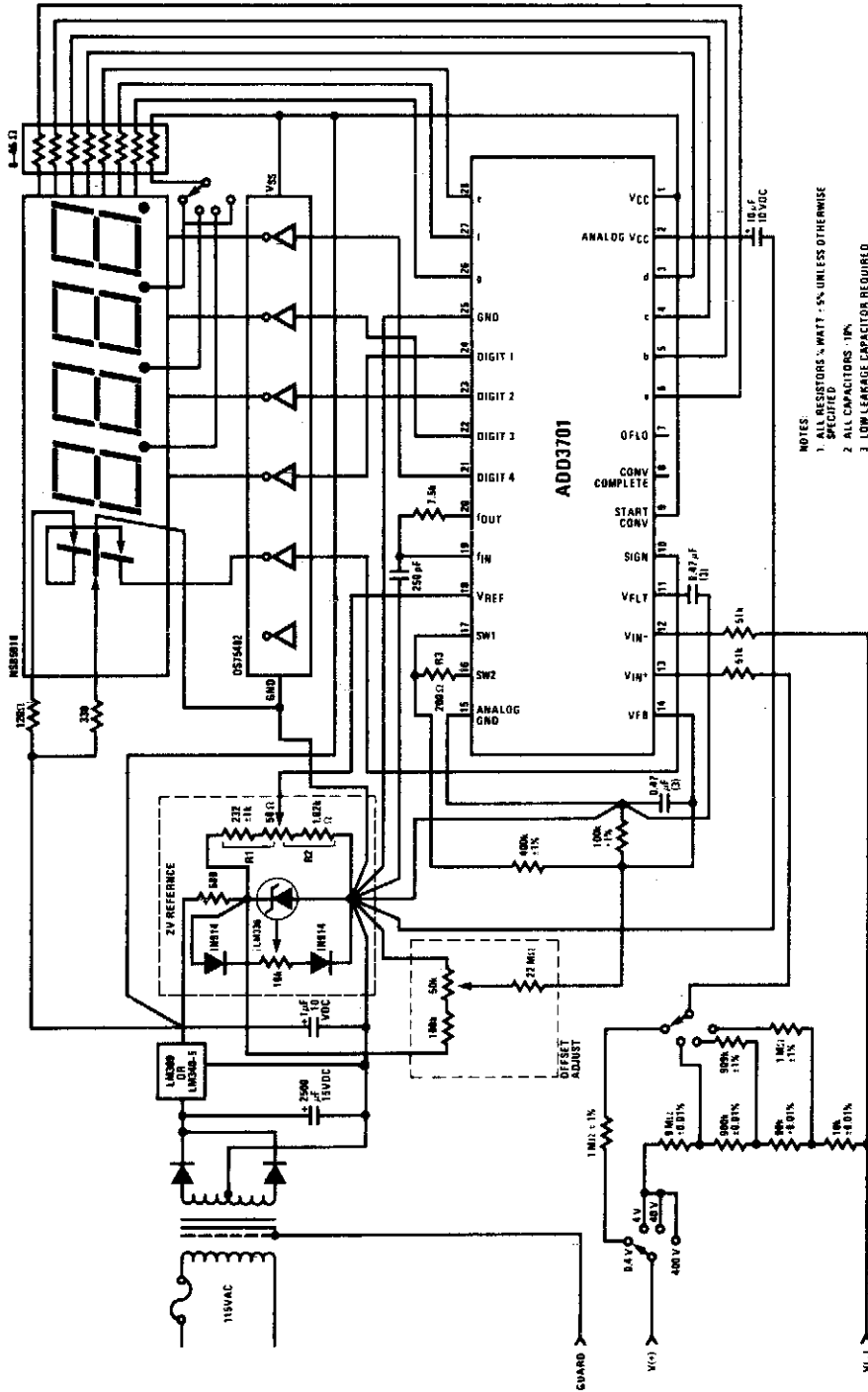
Suppressed Zero Meter

Ac Millivoltmeter

4- $\frac{1}{2}$  Digit LCD-DVM

Sensitive Low Cost VTVM

**3-3/4 DIGIT DVM, FOUR DECADE,  
±0.4 V, ±4 V, ±40 V, AND ±400 V FULL SCALE**



- NOTES:  
 1. ALL RESISTORS 5% UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED  
 2. ALL CAPACITORS 10%  
 3. LOW LEAKAGE CAPACITOR REQUIRED  
 4. R1, R2 - R3 - 251;  
 R4 - R7

**Fig. 96-1**

# AUTOMATIC NULLING DVM

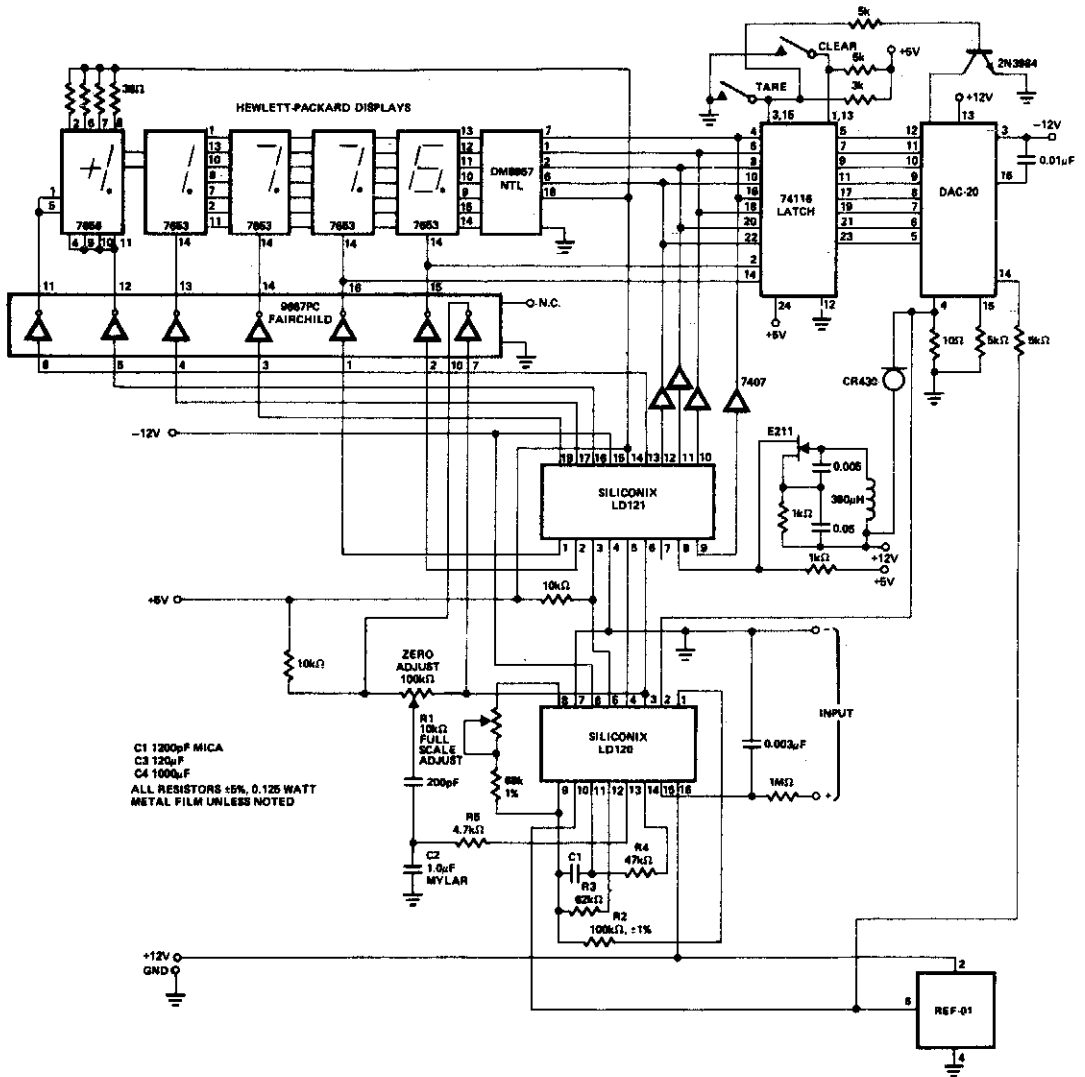
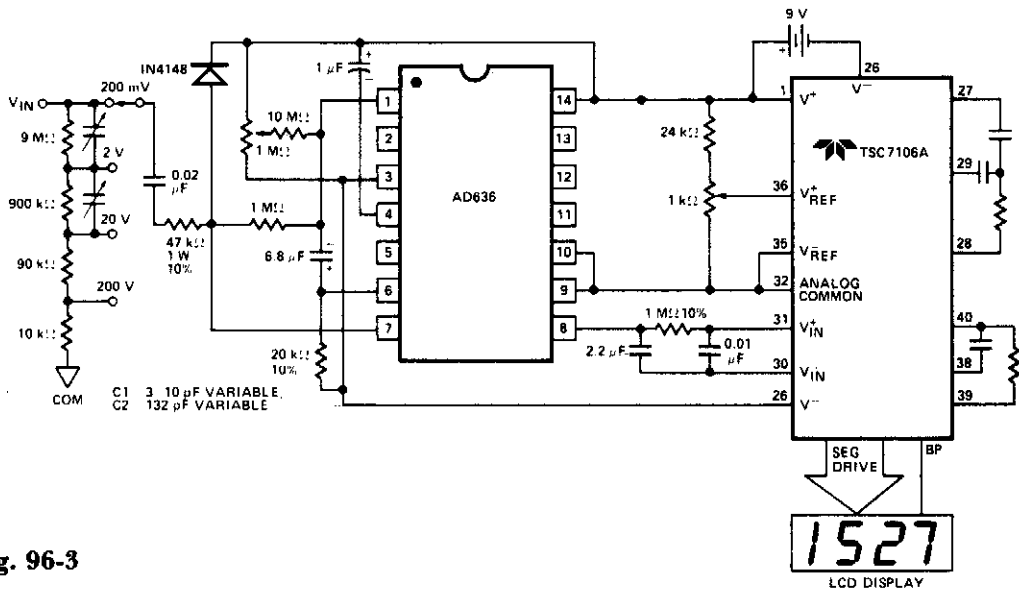
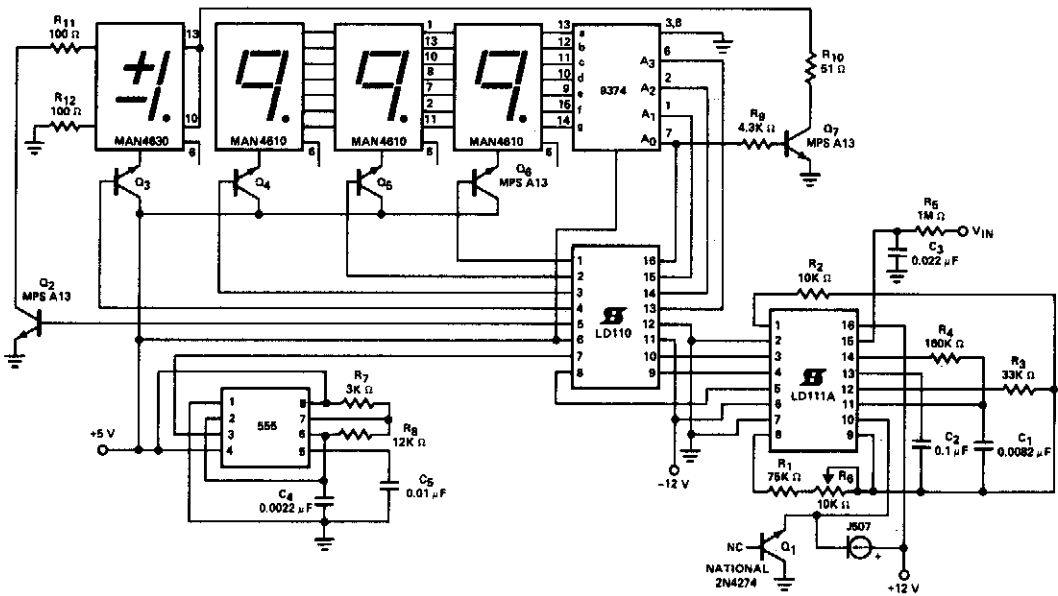


Fig. 96-2

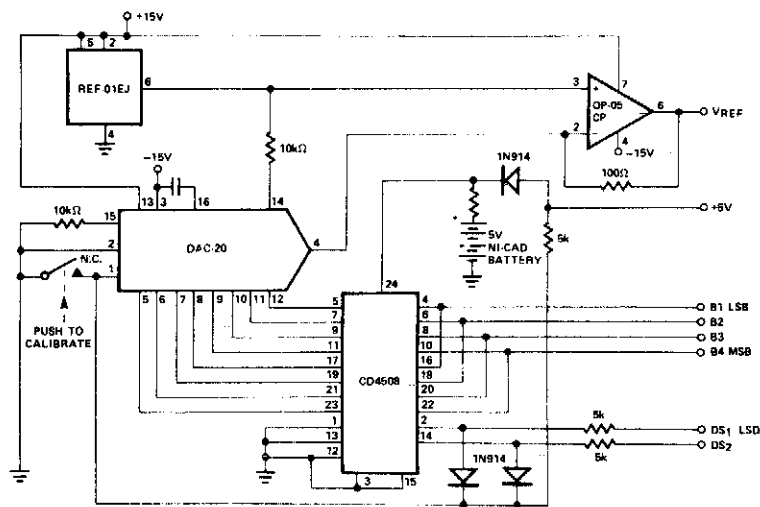
### 3-1/2 DIGIT TRUE RMS AC VOLTMETER



### 3 1/2 DIGIT DVM ( $\pm 200.0$ mV) COMMON ANODE DISPLAY

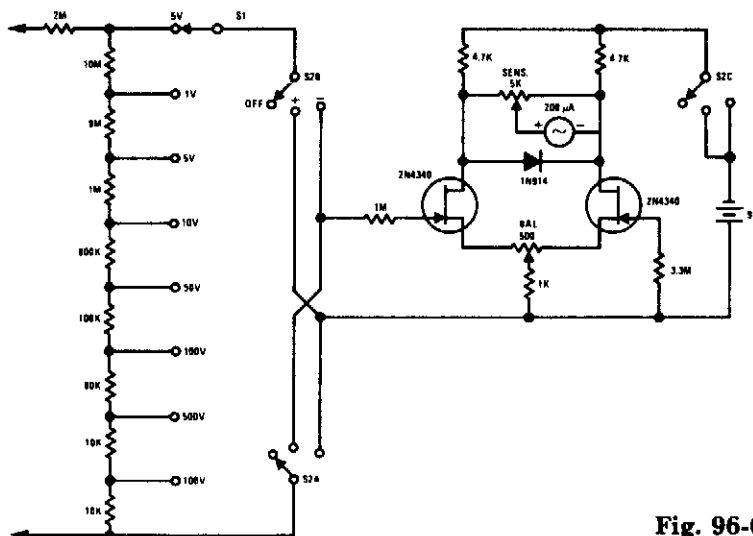


## DVM AUTO-CALIBRATE CIRCUIT



**Fig. 96-5**

## FET VOLT METER



**Fig. 96-6**

### Circuit Notes

This FETVM replaces the function of the VTVM while at the same time ridding the instrument of the usual line cord. In addition, drift rates are far superior to vacuum tube cir-

cuits allowing a 0.5 volt full scale range which is impractical with most vacuum tubes. The low-leakage, low-noise 2N4340 is an ideal device for this application.

## EXTENDED RANGE VU METER (BAR MODE)

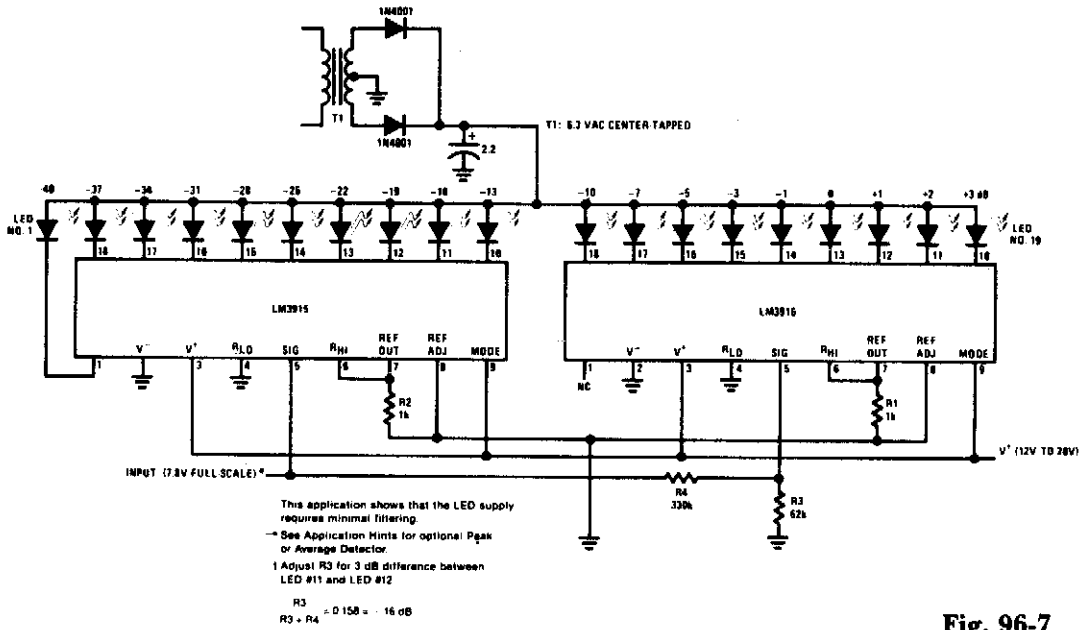


Fig. 96-7

## HIGH INPUT IMPEDANCE MILLIVOLTMETER

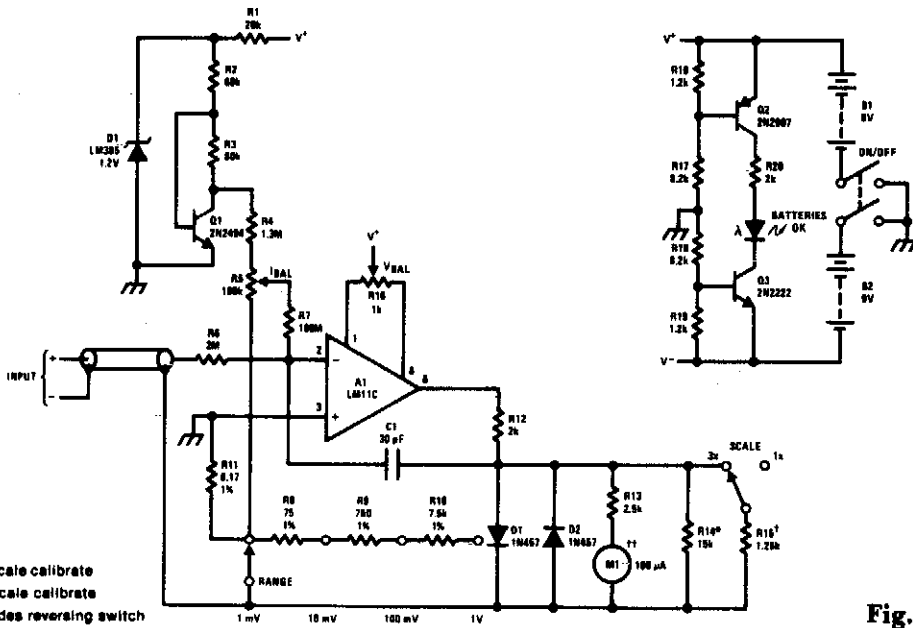


Fig. 96-8





### 4½-DIGIT LCD-DVM

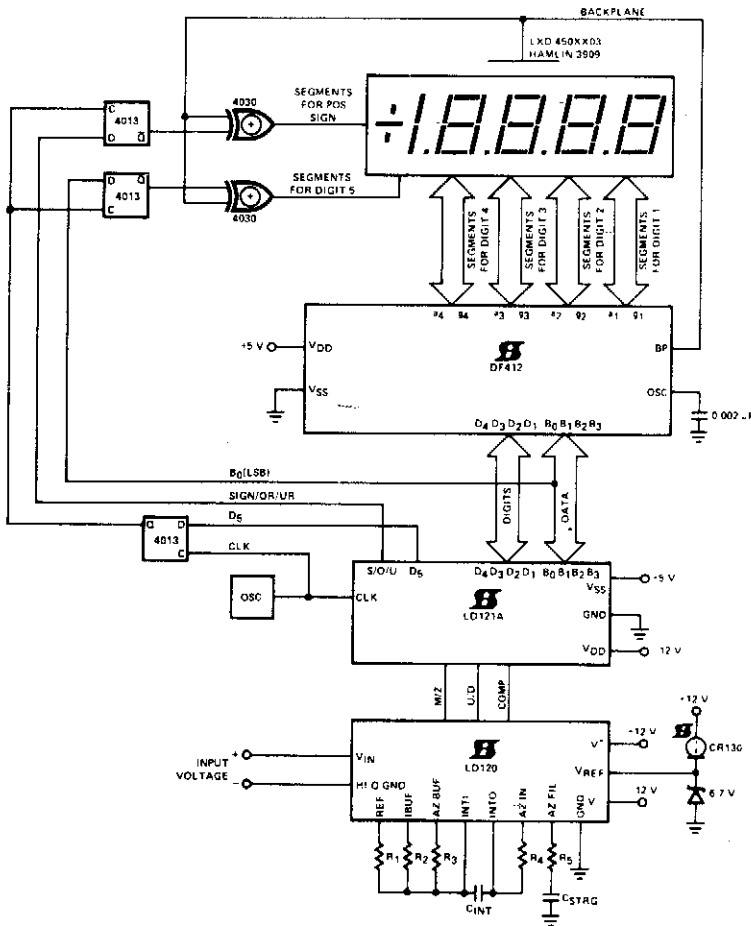


Fig. 96-12

### SENSITIVE LOW COST "VTVM"

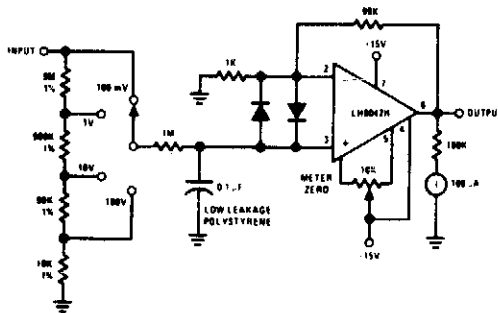


Fig. 96-13

# 97

## Waveform and Function Generators

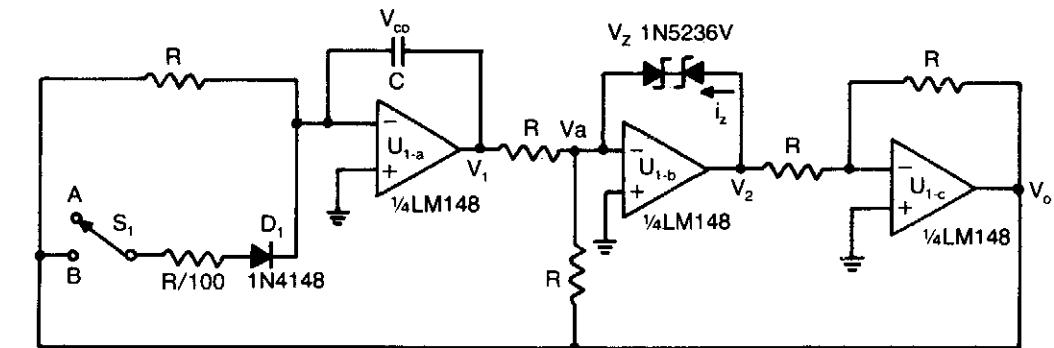
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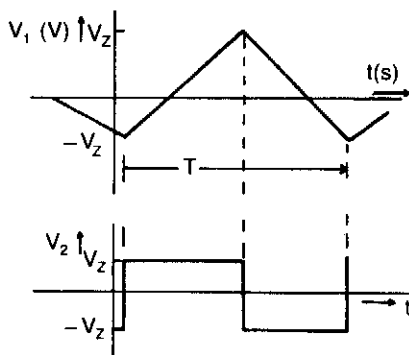
Low Cost Adjustable Function Generator  
DAC Controlled Function Generator  
Programmed Function Generator  
100-kHz Quadrature Oscillator  
Strobe-Tone Burst Generator  
Low Cost High Frequency Generator  
Tone-Burst Oscillator and Decoder  
Triangle and Square Waveform Generator  
10 kHz Oscillator  
50 kHz Oscillator  
Variable Audio Oscillator, 20 Hz to 20 kHz

Gated Oscillator  
Exponential Digitally-Controlled Oscillator  
Function Generator  
Clock Source  
Precision Oscillator with 20 ns Switching  
Oscillator with Quadrature Output  
Wide Range Variable Oscillator  
Frequency Divider and Staircase Generator  
Precision Oscillator to Switch 100 mA  
Loads

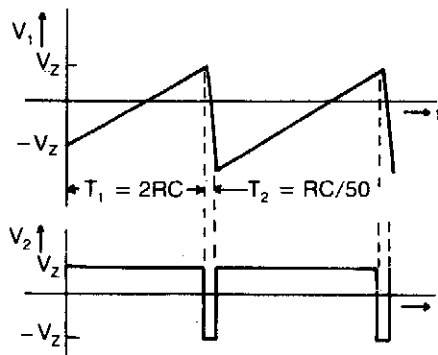
## LOW COST ADJUSTABLE FUNCTION GENERATOR



(A)



(B)



(C)

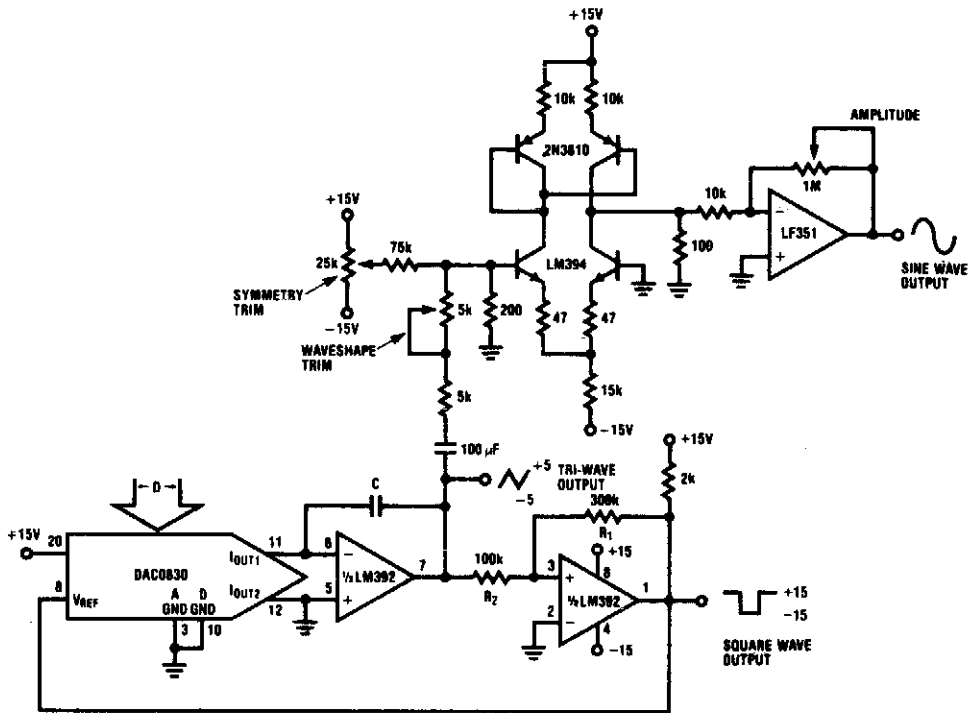
**Fig. 97-1**

### Circuit Notes

This low-cost operational-amplifier circuit (A) generates four different functions with adjustable periods. For the components shown here, the period of the output waveforms is given by  $T = 4RC$  and  $T = 2RC$ . With switch  $S_1$

in position A,  $V_1$  is a triangular waveform, while  $V_2$  is a square wave (B). With the switch in position B, a sawtooth waveform is generated at  $V_1$  and a pulse at  $V_2$ (C).

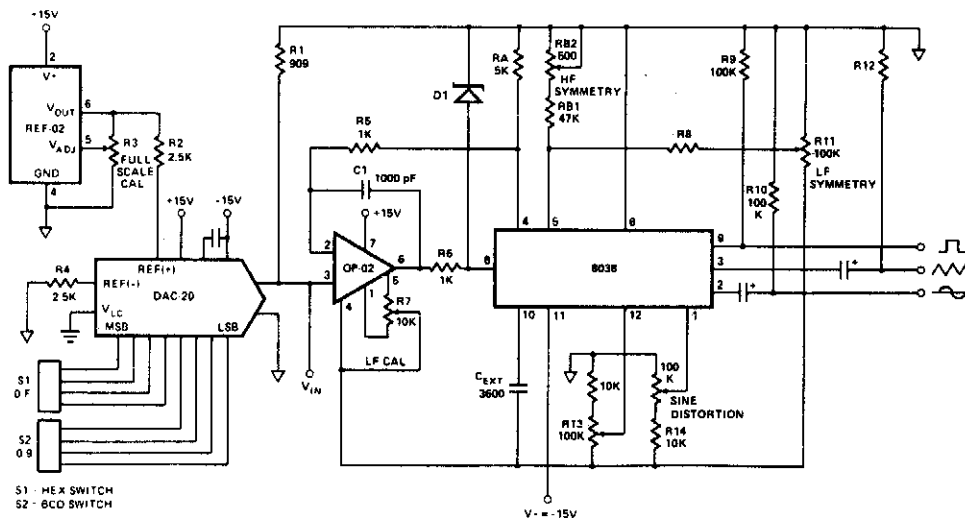
## DAC CONTROLLED FUNCTION GENERATOR



- DAC controls the frequency of sine, square, and triangle outputs.
- $f = \frac{D}{256(20k)C}$  for  $V_{O\text{MAX}} = V_{O\text{MIN}}$  of square wave output and  $R_1 = 3R_2$ .
- 255 to 1 linear frequency range; oscillator stops with  $D = 0$
- Trim symmetry and wave-shape for minimum sine wave distortion.

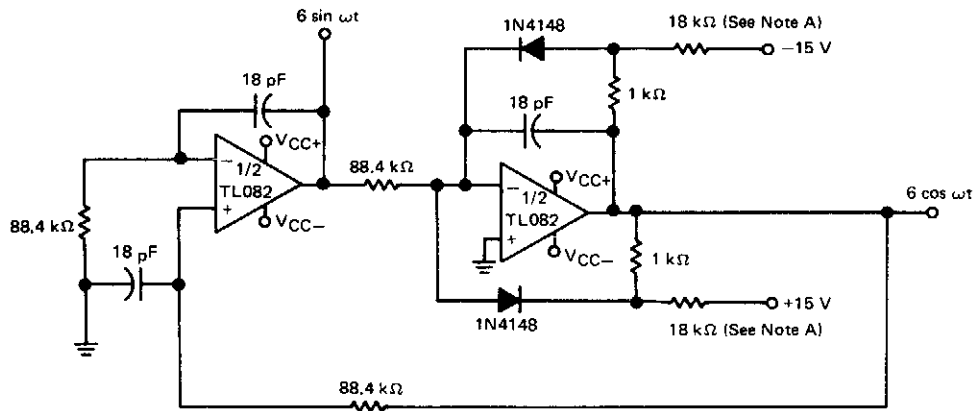
Fig. 97-2

## PROGRAMMED FUNCTION GENERATOR



**Fig. 97-3**

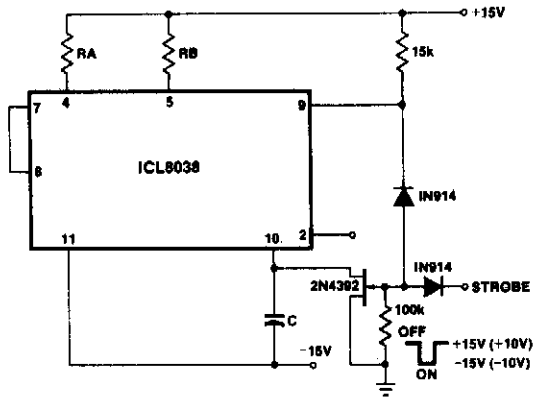
## 100-kHz QUADRATURE OSCILLATOR



Note A: These resistor values may be adjusted for a symmetrical output.

**Fig. 97-4**

## STROBE-TONE BURST GENERATOR



### Circuit Notes

With a dual supply voltage, the external capacitor on pin 10 can be shorted to ground to halt the 8038 oscillation. The circuit uses a FET switch and diode ANDED with an input strobe signal to allow the output to always start on the same slope.

Fig. 97-5

## LOW COST HIGH FREQUENCY GENERATOR

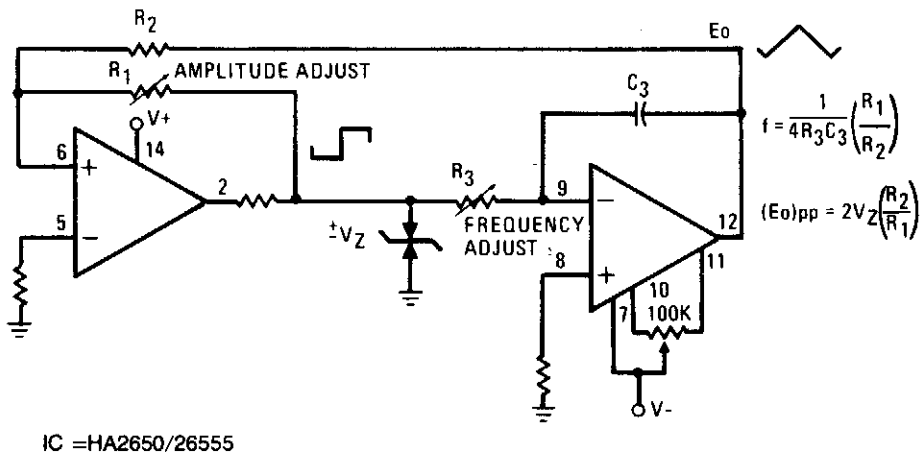
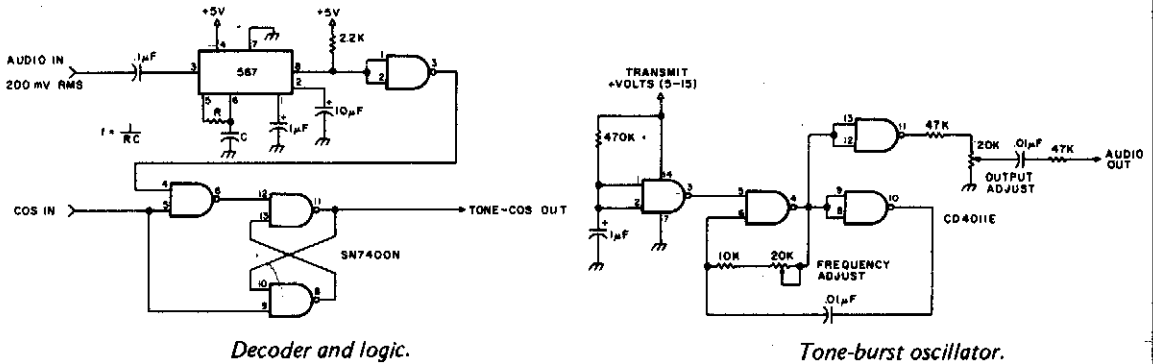


Fig. 97-6

## TONE-BURST OSCILLATOR AND DECODER

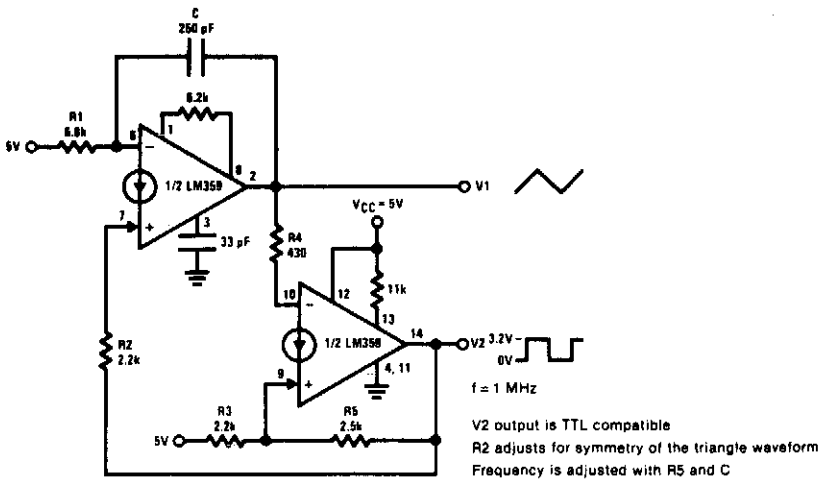


**Fig. 97-7**

### Circuit Notes

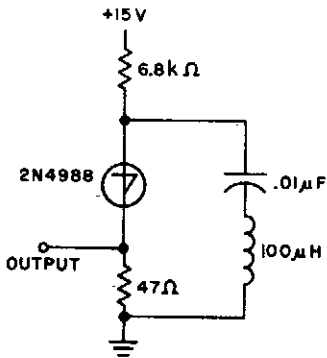
A tone burst sent at the beginning of each transmission is decoded (at receiver) by a PLL causing output from pin 3 of logic gate to turn on carrier-operated switch (COS).

## TRIANGLE AND SQUARE WAVEFORM GENERATOR



**Fig. 97-8**

## 10 kHz OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

The capacitor charges until switching voltage is reached. When SUS switches on, the inductor causes current to ring. When the current thru SUS drops below the holding current, the device turns off and the cycle repeats.

Fig. 97-9

## 50 kHz OSCILLATOR

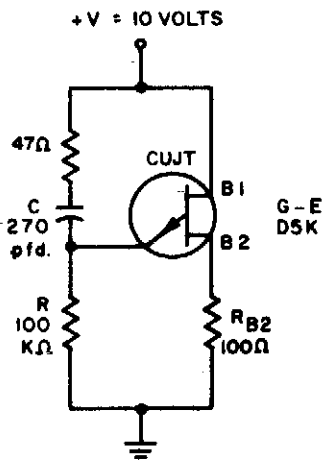


Fig. 97-10

### Circuit Notes

A 50 kHz circuit is possible because of the more nearly ideal characteristics of the D5K.

## VARIABLE AUDIO OSCILLATOR, 20 Hz TO 20 kHz

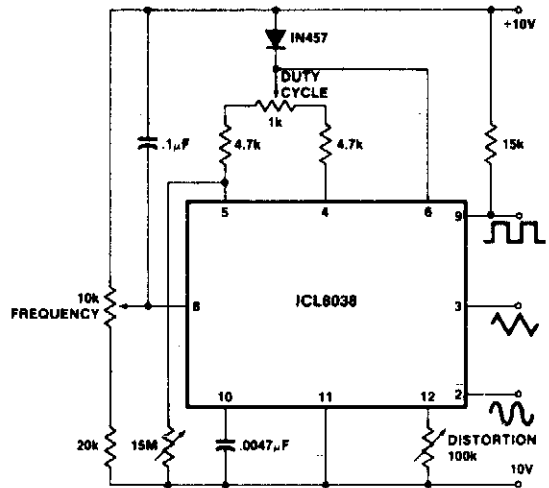


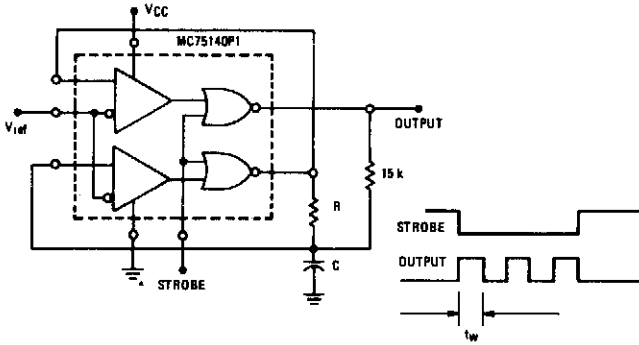
Fig. 97-11

### Circuit Notes

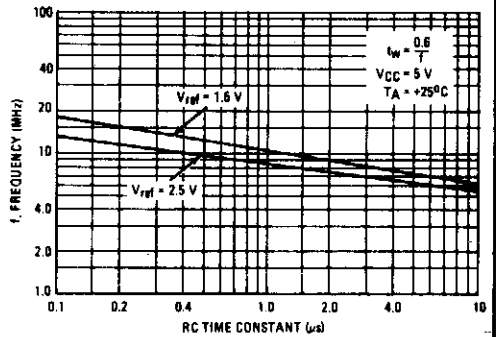
To obtain a 1000:1 Sweep Range, the voltage across external resistors  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  must decrease to nearly zero. This requires that the highest voltage on control pin 8 exceed the voltage at the top of  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  by a few hundred millivolts. The circuit achieves this by using a diode to lower the effective supply voltage on the 8038. The large resistor on pin 5 helps reduce duty cycle variations with sweep.



## GATED OSCILLATOR

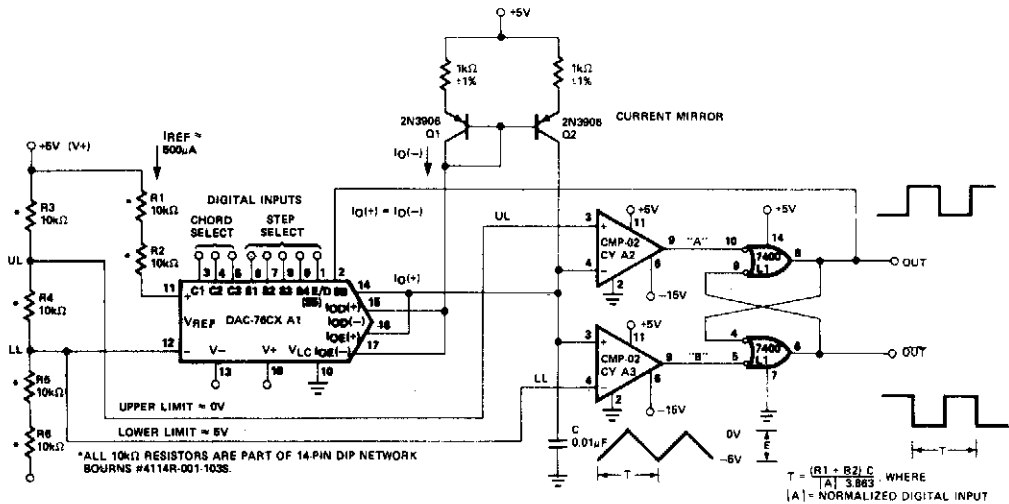


**GATE OSCILLATOR FREQUENCY  
VERSUS RC TIME CONSTANT**



**Fig. 97-12**

## EXPONENTIAL DIGITALLY-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 97-13**

### Circuit Notes

The microprocessor-controlled oscillator has a 8159 to 1 frequency range covering 2.5 Hz to 20 kHz. An exponential, current output IC DAC functioning as a programmable current source alternately charges and discharges a

capacitor between precisely-controlled upper and lower limits. The circuit features instantaneous frequency change, operates with +5 ±1 V and -15 V ±3 V supplies, and has the dynamic range of a 13-bit DAC.

## FUNCTION GENERATOR

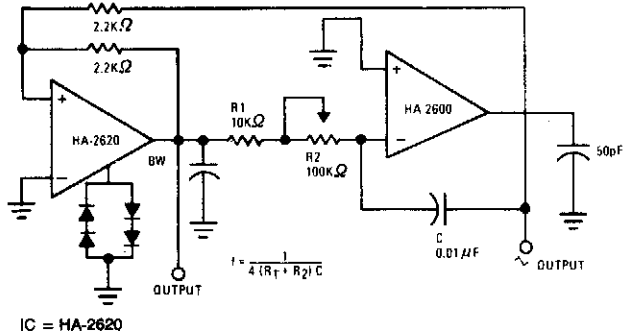
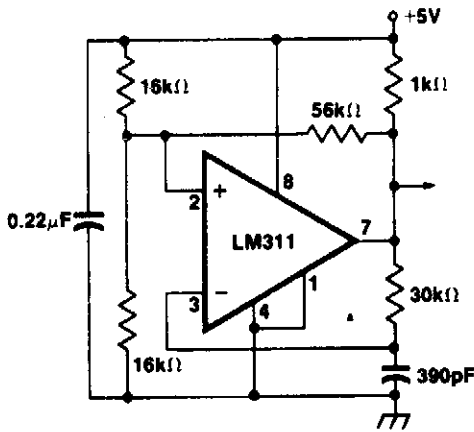


Fig. 97-14

## CLOCK SOURCE



### Circuit Notes

A clock source using LM311 voltage comparator in positive feedback mode to minimize clock frequency shift problem.

Fig. 97-15

## PRECISION OSCILLATOR WITH 20 NS SWITCHING

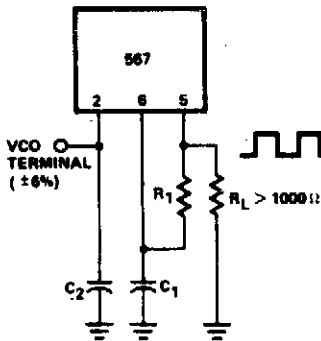


Fig. 97-16

## OSCILLATOR WITH QUADRATURE OUTPUT

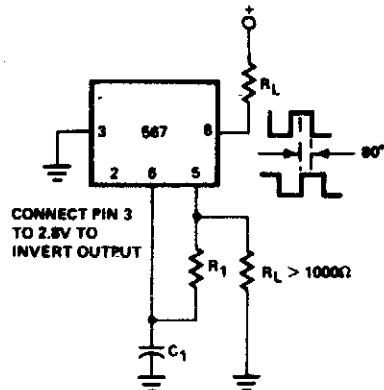


Fig. 97-17



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## Zero Crossing Detectors

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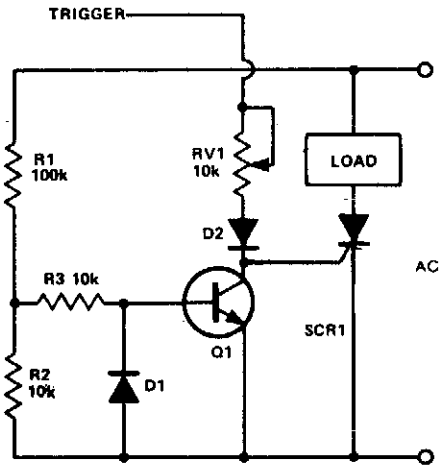
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Zero Crossing Switch  
Zero Crossing Detector  
Zero Crossing Detector

Zero Crossing Detector with Temperature  
Sensor  
Zero Crossing Detector

Zero Crossing Detector

## ZERO CROSSING SWITCH



Q1=GENERAL PURPOSE GERMANIUM  
D1,2=GENERAL PURPOSE SILICON  
SCR1=TO SUIT APPLICATION

Fig. 98-1

### Circuit Notes

When switching loads with the aid of a thyristor, a large amount of RFI can be generated unless some form of zero crossing switch is used. The circuit shows a simple single transistor zero crossing switch. R1 and R2 act as a potential divider. The potential at their junction is about 10% of the ac voltage. This voltage level is fed, via R3, to the transistor's base. If the voltage at this point is above 0.2, the transistor will conduct, shunting any thyristor gate current to ground. When the line potential is less than about 2 V, it is possible to trigger the thyristor. The diode D1 is to remove any negative potential that might cause reverse breakdown.

## ZERO CROSSING DETECTOR

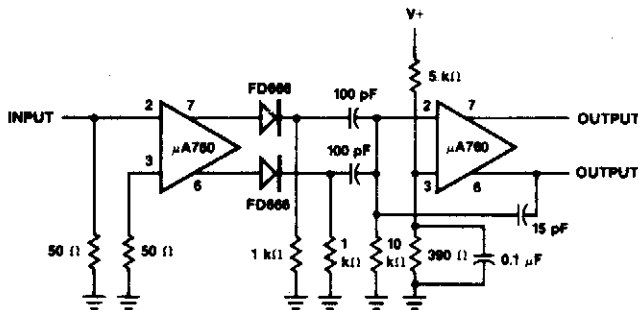
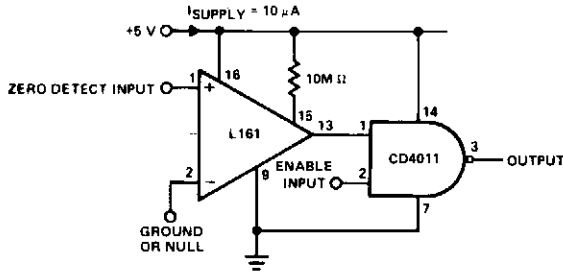


Fig. 98-2

Total Delay = 30 ns  
Input frequency = 300 Hz to 3 MHz  
Minimum input voltage = 20 mVpk-pk

## ZERO CROSSING DETECTOR

### Circuit Notes



This detector is useful in sine wave squaring circuits and A/D converters. The positive input may either be grounded or connected to a nulling voltage which cancels input offsets and enables accuracy to within microvolts of ground. The CMOS output will switch to within a few millivolts of either rail for an input voltage change of less than 200 μV.

Fig. 98-3

## ZERO CROSSING DETECTOR WITH TEMPERATURE SENSOR

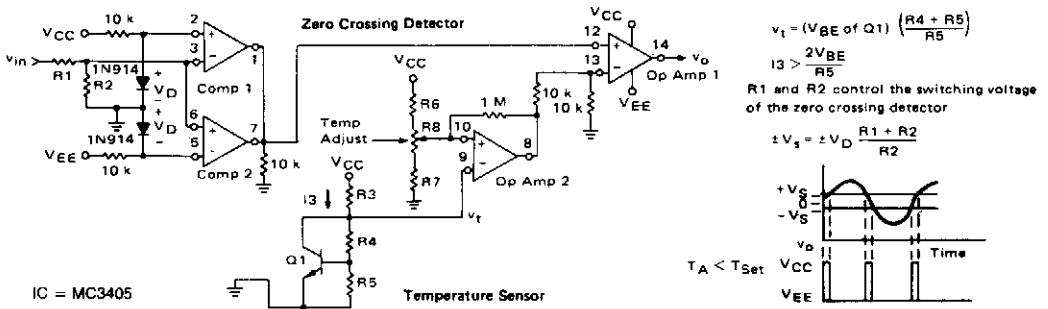


Fig. 98-4

## ZERO-CROSSING DETECTOR

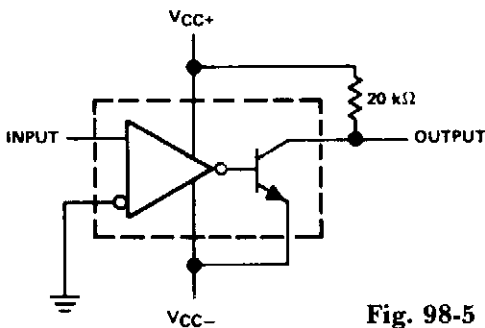


Fig. 98-5

## ZERO CROSSING DETECTOR

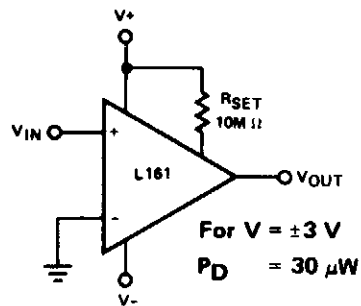


Fig. 98-6

For  $V = \pm 3 \text{ V}$   
 $P_D = 30 \mu\text{W}$

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# Introduction

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*Encyclopedia of Electronic Circuits—Volume 2*, a companion to Volume 1 published in 1985, contains well over 1400 not-previously covered circuits organized into 108 chapters. For each reference, circuits are listed at the beginning of each chapter. The extensive index further enhances the usefulness of this new work. The browser, as well as the serious researcher looking for a very specific circuit, will be richly rewarded by the context of this volume. A brief explanatory text accompanies almost every entry. The original source for each item is also given so that the reader requiring additional data will know where to find it.

I am most grateful to William Sheets for his many and varied contributions to this book, and to Mrs. Stella Dillon for her fine work at the word processor. These friends and associates of long standing have my sincere thanks for contributing to the successful completion of this book.

# 1

## Alarm and Security Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Auto Burglar Alarm  
Multiple Alarm Circuit  
Differential-Voltage or Current Alarm  
Trouble Tone Alert  
Photoelectric Alarm System  
Alarm Circuit

## AUTO BURGLAR ALARM

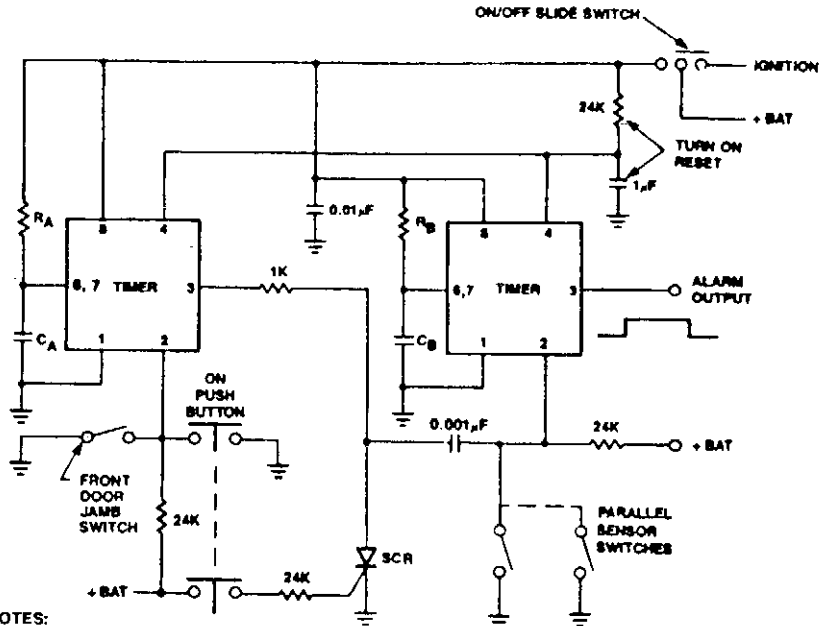


Fig. 1-1

**SIGNETICS**  
 NOTES:  
 Timer Signetics NE555  
 All resistor values in ohms

### Circuit Notes

Timer A produces a safeguard delay, allowing the driver to disarm the alarm and eliminating a vulnerable outside control switch. The SCR prevents timer A from triggering timer B, unless timer B is triggered by strategically-located sensor switches.

## MULTIPLE ALARM CIRCUIT

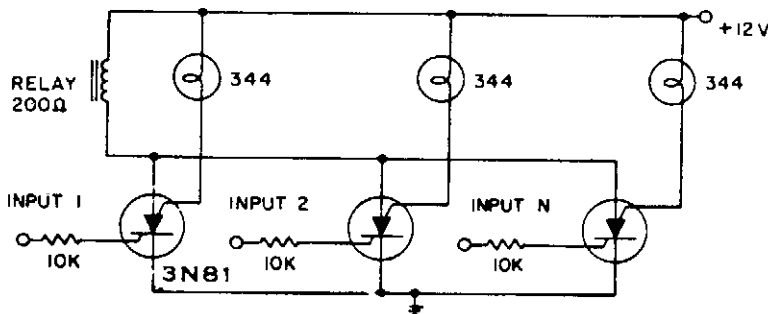


Fig. 1-2

GE

### Circuit Notes

Any of several inputs pulls in the common alarm relay with lamps giving visual indication of triggering input. Low resistance lamps decrease input sensitivity.

## DIFFERENTIAL VOLTAGE OR CURRENT ALARM

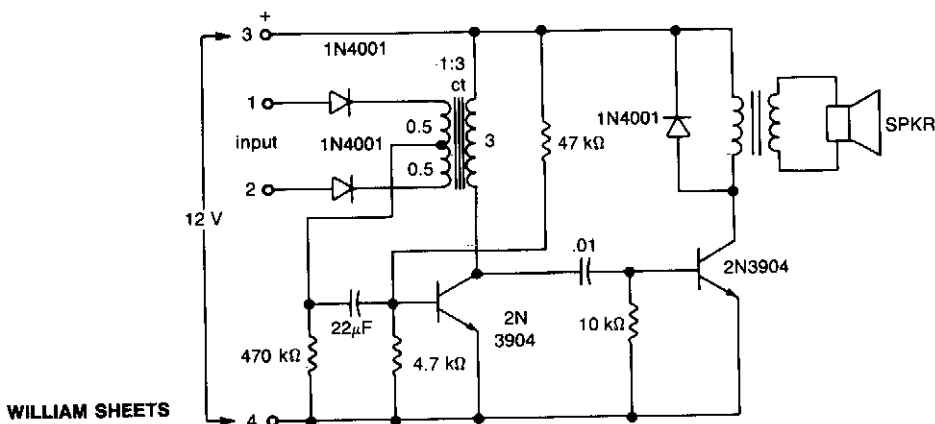


Fig. 1-3

### Circuit Notes

The input may be dc or low frequency ac. The output is a distinctive series of audio beeps or a continuous tone, and occurs only when a selected polarity unbalance is present at the input.

## TROUBLE TONE ALERT

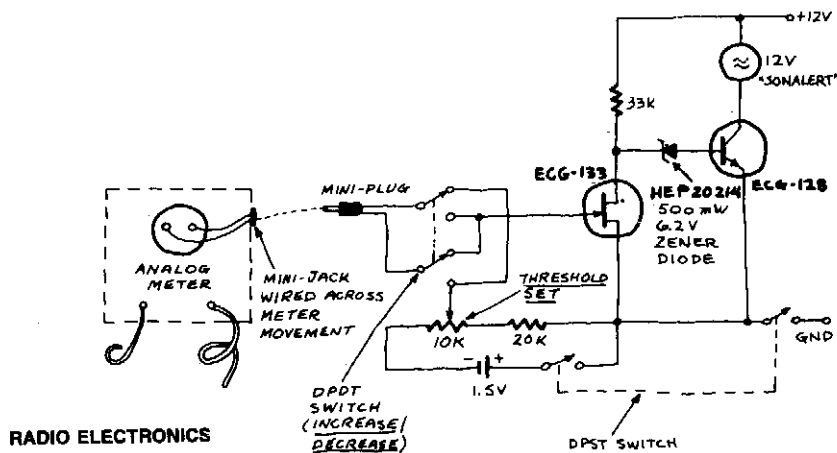


Fig. 1-4

### Circuit Notes

The Trouble Tone Alert is intended for use with analog meters—just wire a “mini” earphone jack directly across the meter movement, plug it in, and you’re all set. This device reacts to the meter-movement driving voltage. It will respond to a change in ac or dc voltage, current, or in resistance. The circuit will respond to an increase or decrease selected by the DPDT switch and is adjusted with the threshold control until the tone from the Sonalert just disappears (with the meter in the circuit being tested, of course).

## PHOTOELECTRIC ALARM SYSTEM

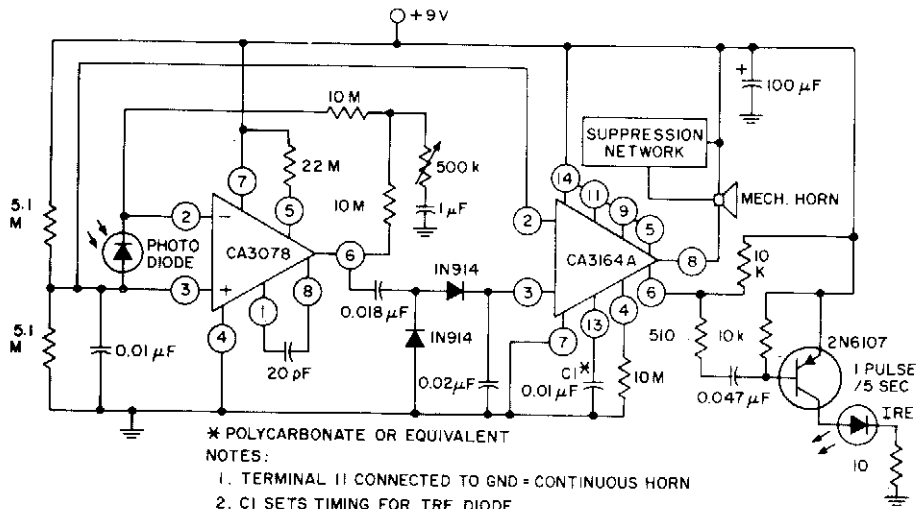


Fig. 1-5

GE/RCA

### Circuit Notes

The CA3164A BiMOS detector alarm system and the CA3078 micropower op amp with a photodiode are used as an automatic switch for turning on a night light or sounding a mechanical horn.

## ALARM CIRCUIT

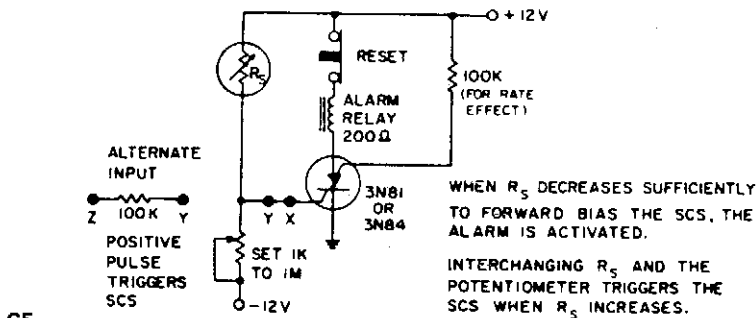


Fig. 1-6

GE

### Circuit Notes

Temperature, light, or radiation sensitive resistors up to 1 megohm readily trigger the alarm when they drop below the value of the preset potentiometer. Alternately, 0.75 V at the input to the 100 k $\Omega$  triggers the alarm. Connecting SCS between ground and -12 V permits triggering on negative input to  $G_A$ .



## 2

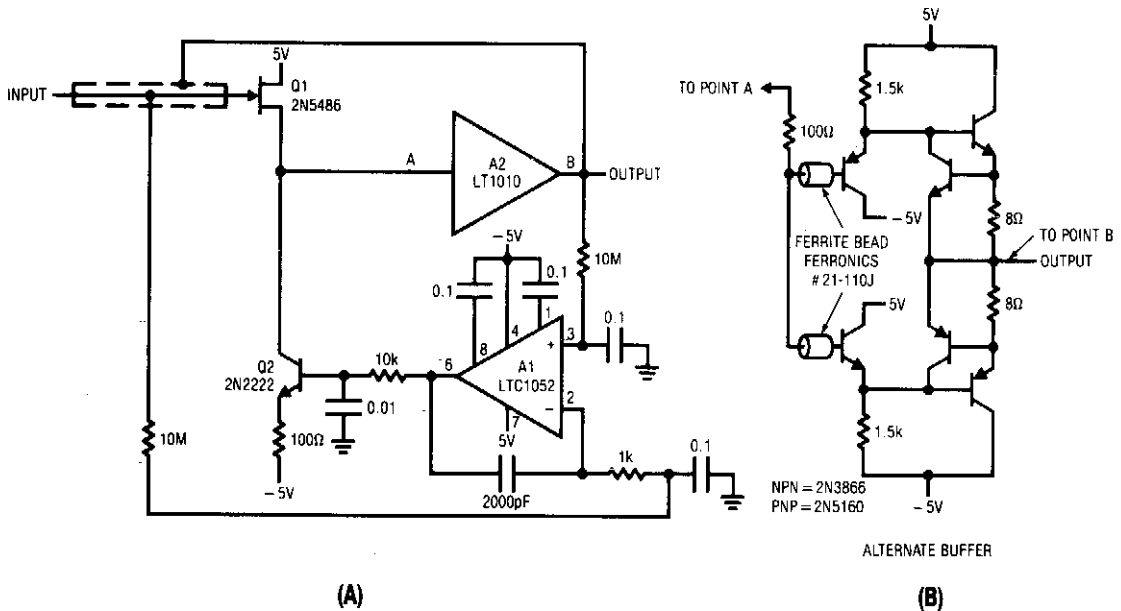
# Amplifiers

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|   |   |
|---|---|
| Stable Unity Gain Buffer with Good Speed and High Input Impedance | Hi-Fi Comander                              |
| Chopper Stabilized Amplifier                                      | Two-Wire to Four-Wire Audio Converter       |
| Ultra-Low-Leakage Preamplifier                                    | Thermocouple Amplifier                      |
| FET Input Amplifier   | Low-Distortion Audio Limiter                |
| Ultra-High $Z_{in}$ ac Unity Gain Amplifier                       | Speech Compressor                           |
| Logarithmic Amplifier   | Speaker Overload Protector                  |
| Composite Amplifier   | Audio Automatic Gain Control                |
| Stereo Amplifier with Gain Control                                | Voltage Controlled Attenuator               |
| Precision-Weighted Resistor Programmable-Gain Amplifier           | High-Input-Impedance Differential Amplifier |
| Power GaAsFET Amplifier with Single Supply                        | Audio Q-Multiplier                          |
| Linear Amplifiers from CMOS Inverters                             | Automatic Level Control                     |
| Current-Collector Head-Amplifier                                  | Pulse-Width Proportional-Controller Circuit |
|   | Op Amp Clamping                             |

## STABLE UNITY GAIN BUFFER WITH GOOD SPEED AND HIGH INPUT IMPEDANCE



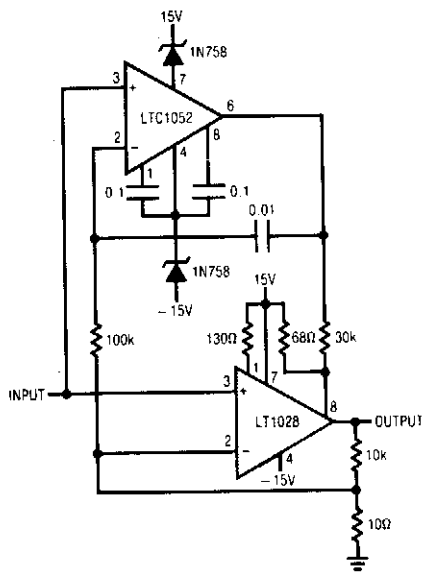
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Fig. 2-1

### Circuit Notes

Q1 and Q2 constitute a simple, high speed FET input buffer. Q1 functions as a source follower, with the Q2 current source load setting the drain-source channel current. Normally, this open loop configuration would be quite drifty because there is no dc feedback. The LTC1052 contributes this function to stabilize the circuit by comparing the filtered circuit output to a similarly filtered version of the input signal. The amplified difference between these signals is used to set Q2's bias and hence Q1's channel current. This forces Q1's  $V_{GS}$  to whatever voltage is required to match the circuit's input and output potentials. The 2000 pF capacitor at A1 provides stable loop compensation. The RC network in A1's output prevents it from seeing high speed edges coupled through Q2's collector-base junction. A2's output is also fed back to the shield around Q1's gate lead, bootstrapping the circuit's effective input capacitance down to less than 1 pF. For very fast requirements, the alternate discrete component buffer shown will be useful. Although its output is current limited at 75 mA, the GHz range transistors employed provide exceptionally wide bandwidth, fast slewing and very little delay.

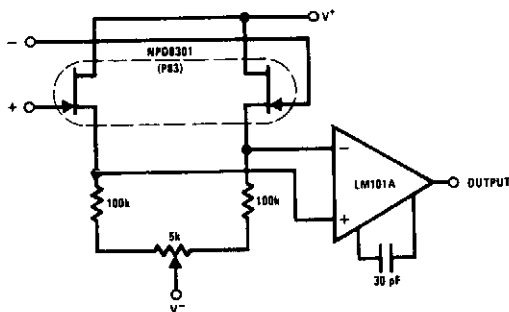
### CHOPPER STABILIZED AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 2-2

### FET INPUT AMPLIFIER



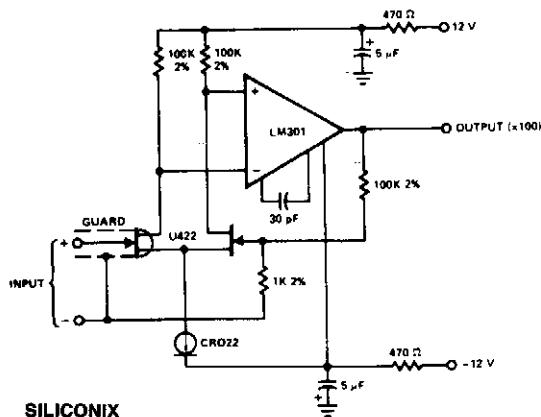
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#### Circuit Notes

The NPD8301 monolithic-dual provides an ideal low offset, low drift buffer function for the LM101A op amp. The excellent matching characteristics of the NPD8301 track well over its bias current range, thus improving common-mode rejection.

Fig. 2-4

### ULTRA-LOW-LEAKAGE PREAMPLIFIER



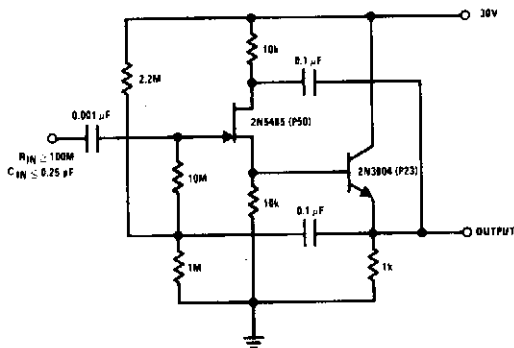
SILICONIX

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit has an input leakage of only 2 pA typical at 75°C and would be usable with 1 M ohm input resistance.

Fig. 2-3

### ULTRA-HIGH $Z_{in}$ AC UNITY GAIN AMPLIFIER



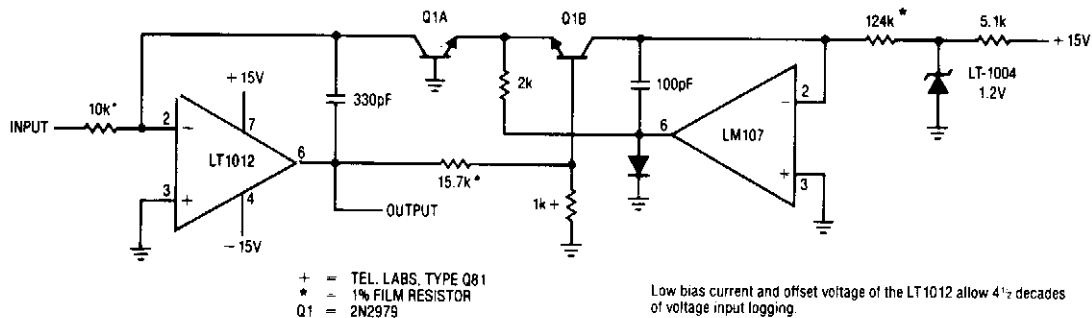
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#### Circuit Notes

Nothing is left to chance in reducing input capacitance. The 2N5485, which has low capacitance in the first place, is operated as a source follower with bootstrapped gate bias resistor and drain.

Fig. 2-5

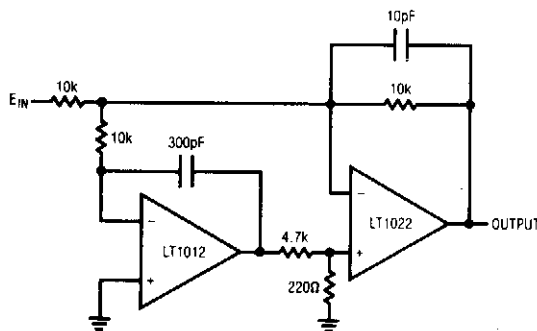
## LOGARITHMIC AMPLIFIER



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**Fig. 2-6**

## COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 2-7**

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### Circuit Notes

The circuit is made up of an LT1012 low drift device, and an LT1022 high speed amplifier. The overall circuit is a unity gain inverter, with the summing node located at the junction of three 10-k resistors. The LT1012 monitors this summing node, compares it to ground, and drives the LT1022's positive input, completing a dc stabilizing loop around the LT1022. The 10 k - 300 pF time constant at the LT1012 limits its response to low frequency signals. The LT1022 handles high frequency inputs while the LT1012 stabilizes the dc operating point. The 4.7 k - 220 ohm divider at the LT1022 prevents excessive input overdrive during start-up. This circuit combines the LT1012's 35  $\mu$ V offset and 1.5 V/ $^{\circ}$ C drift with the LT1022's 23 V/ $\mu$ s slew rate and 300 kHz full power bandwidth. Bias current, dominated by the LT1012, is about 100 pA.

## STEREO AMPLIFIER WITH GAIN CONTROL

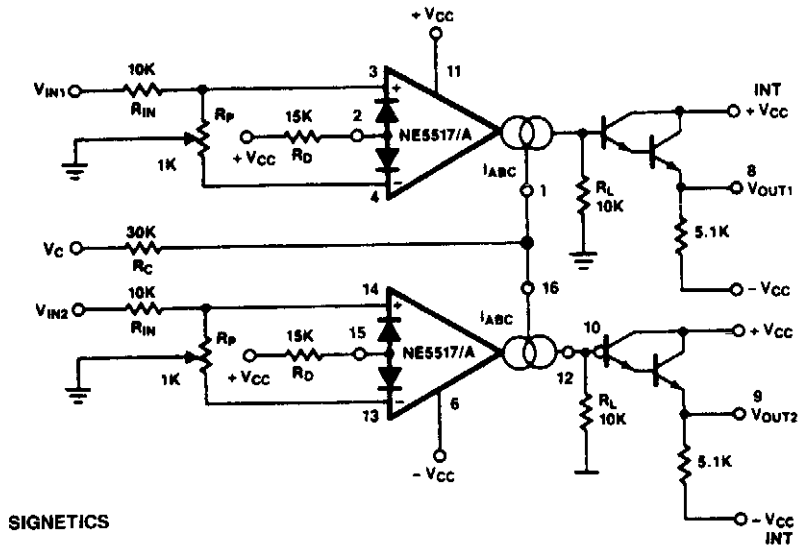


Fig. 2-8

### Circuit Notes

Excellent tracking of typical 0.3 dB is easy to achieve. With the potentiometer,  $R_p$ , the offset can be adjusted. For ac-coupled amplifiers, the potentiometer may be replaced with two 5.1 k ohm resistors.

## PRECISION-WEIGHTED RESISTOR PROGRAMMABLE-GAIN AMPLIFIER

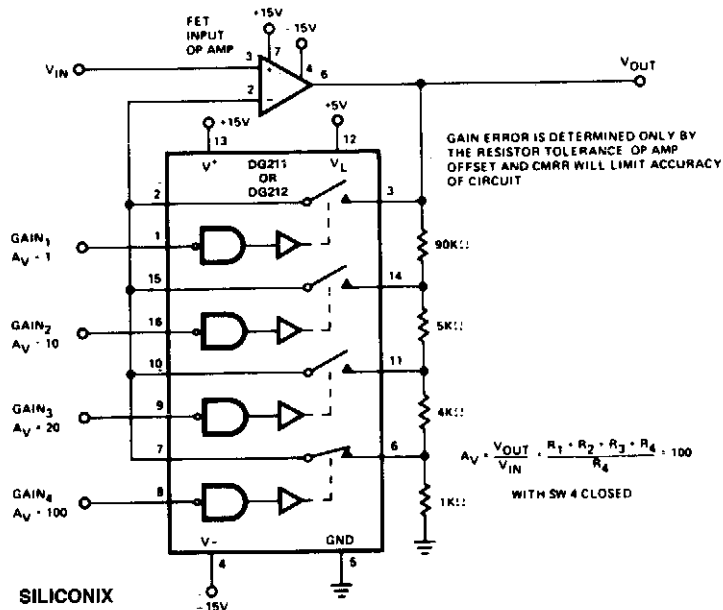
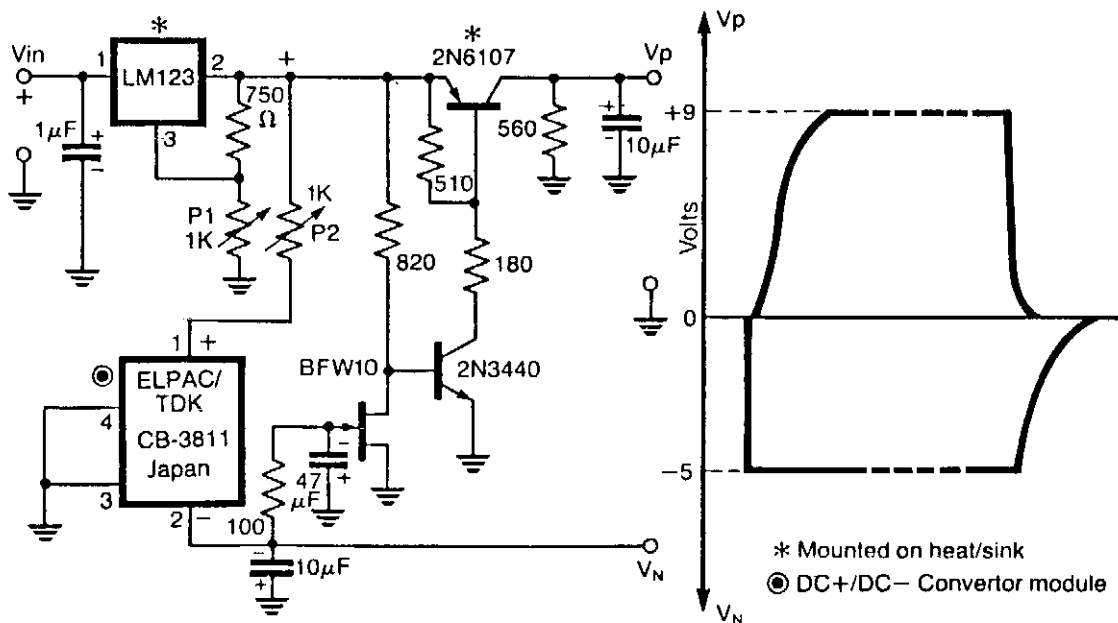


Fig. 2-9

## POWER GaAsFET AMPLIFIER WITH SINGLE SUPPLY



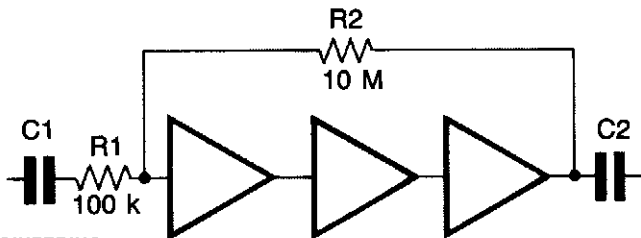
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Fig. 2-10

### Circuit Notes

The dual regulator circuit operates from a positive supply, which when switched ON powers the gate first, and when switched OFF shuts off the drain first as shown in the figure. This circuit incorporates the LM123, a three terminal positive regulator and a dc+ to dc- converter, the outputs of which power the drains and gates of the power GaAsFETs in a power amplifier relay. The output of the three terminal regulator drives a dc+ to dc- converter whose output biases an N-channel JFET suitably so as to pull the base of the series pass transistor 2N6107 to a level to turn it on. The circuit will turn off the drain supply whenever the negative potential on the Gate fails.

## LINEAR AMPLIFIERS FROM CMOS INVERTERS



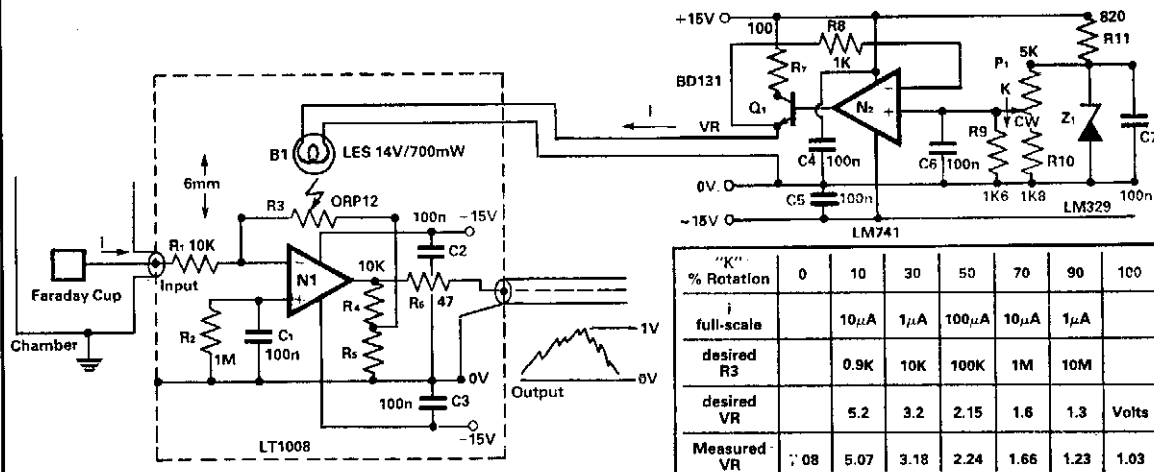
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Fig. 2-11

### Circuit Notes

CMOS inverters can be used as linear amplifiers if negative feedback is applied. Best linearity is obtained with feedback applied around three inverters which gives almost perfect linearity up to an output swing of 5 V p-p with a 10 V supply rail. The gain is set by the ratio of R1 and R2 and the values shown are typical for a gain of 100. The high frequency response with the values shown is almost flat to 20 kHz. The frequency response is determined by C1 and C2. This circuit is not suitable for low level signals because the signal-to-noise ratio is only approx. 50 dB with 5 V p-p output with the values shown.

## CURRENT-COLLECTOR HEAD-AMPLIFIER



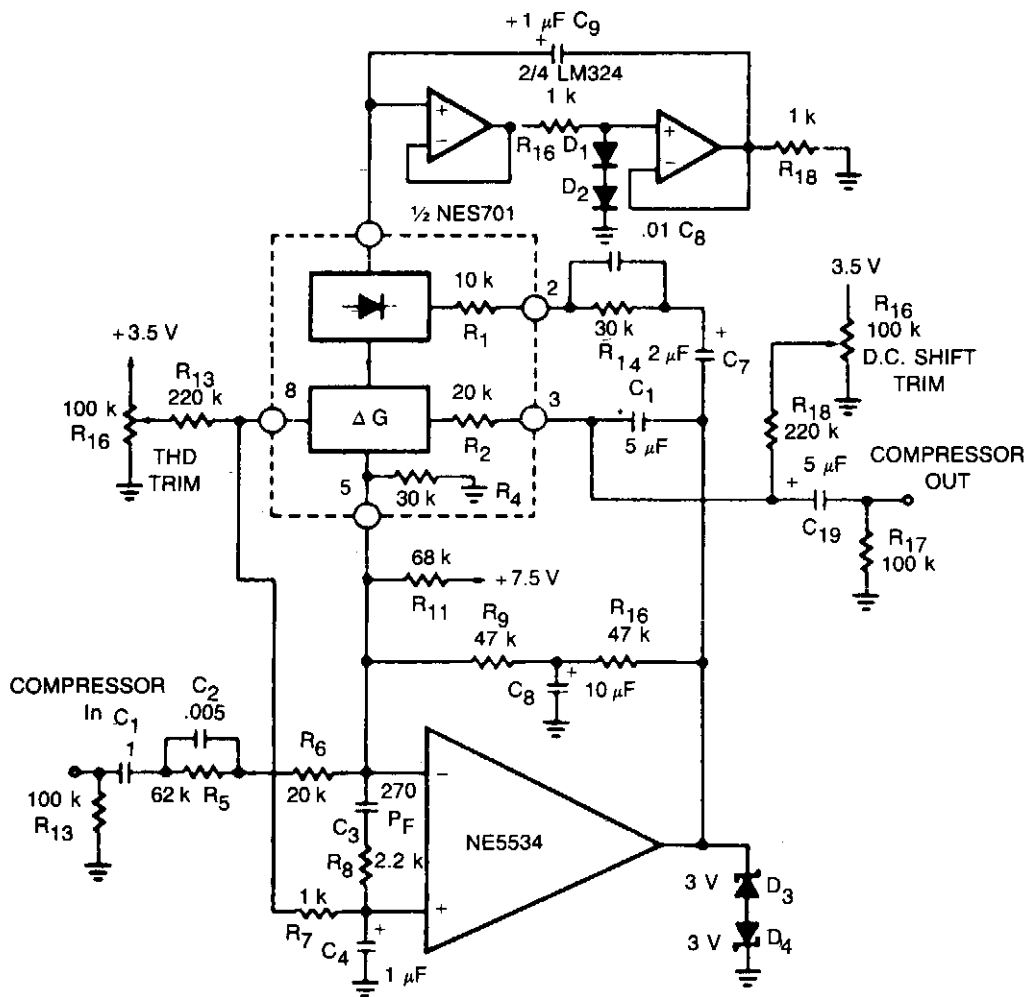
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Fig. 2-12

### Circuit Notes

To amplify small current signals such as from an electron-collector inside a vacuum chamber, it is convenient for reasons of noise and bandwidth to have a "head-amplifier" attached to the chamber. The op-amp N<sub>1</sub> is a precision bipolar device with extremely low bias current and offset voltage (1) as well as low noise, which allows the 100:1 feedback attenuator to be employed. The resistance of R<sub>3</sub> can be varied from above 10 M to below 1 k, and so the nominal 0 to 1 V-peak output signal corresponds to input current ranges of 1 nA to 10 μA.

## HI-FI COMPANDER



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HI-FI Compressor With Pre-emphasis

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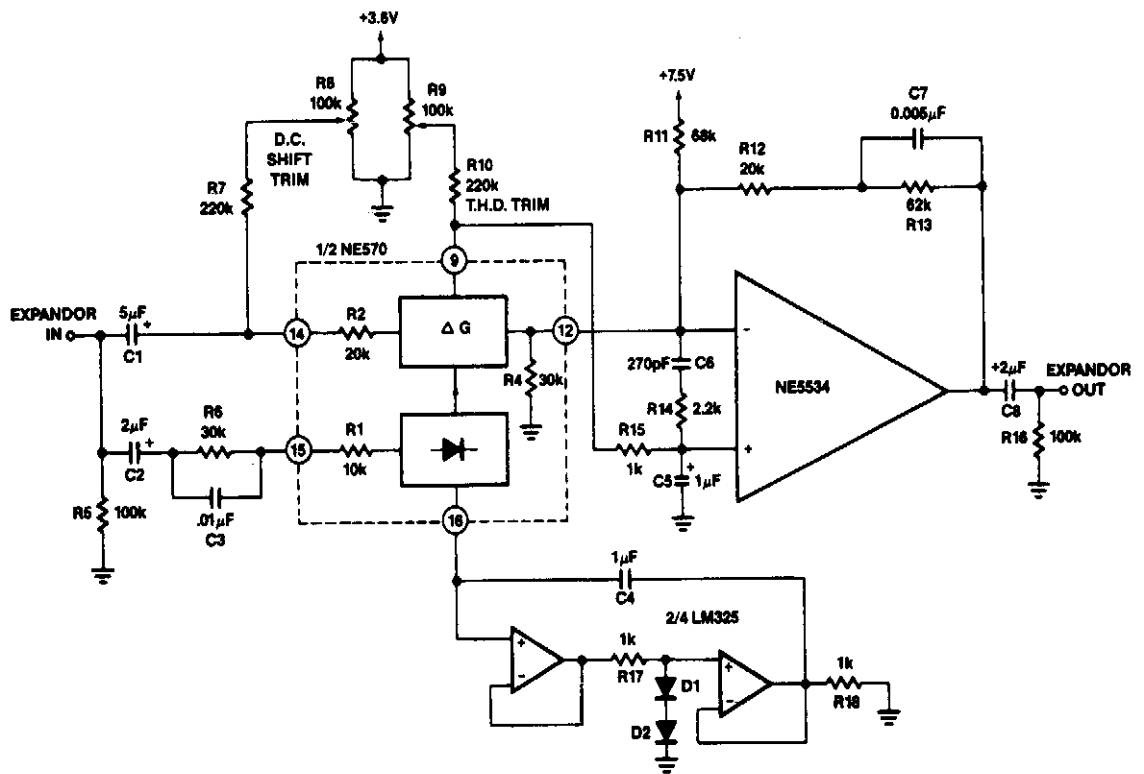
Fig. 2-13(A)

### Circuit Notes

This circuit for a high fidelity compressor uses an external op amp, and has a high gain and wide bandwidth. An input compensation network is required for stability. The rectifier

capacitor ( $C_9$ ) is not grounded, but is tied to the output of an op amp circuit. When a compressor is operating at high gain, (small input signal), and is suddenly hit with a signal, it will overload until





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Hi-Fi Expander With De-emphasis

Fig. 2-13(B)

it can reduce its gain. The time it takes for the compressor to recover from overload is determined by the rectifier capacitor  $C_9$ . The expander to complement the compressor is shown in Fig. 2-13B. Here an external op amp is used for high slew rate. Both the compressor

and expander have unity gain levels of 0 dB. Trim networks are shown for distortion (THD) and dc shift. The distortion trim should be done first, with an input of 0 dB at 10 kHz. The dc shift should be adjusted for minimum envelope bounce with tone bursts.

## TWO-WIRE TO FOUR-WIRE AUDIO CONVERTER

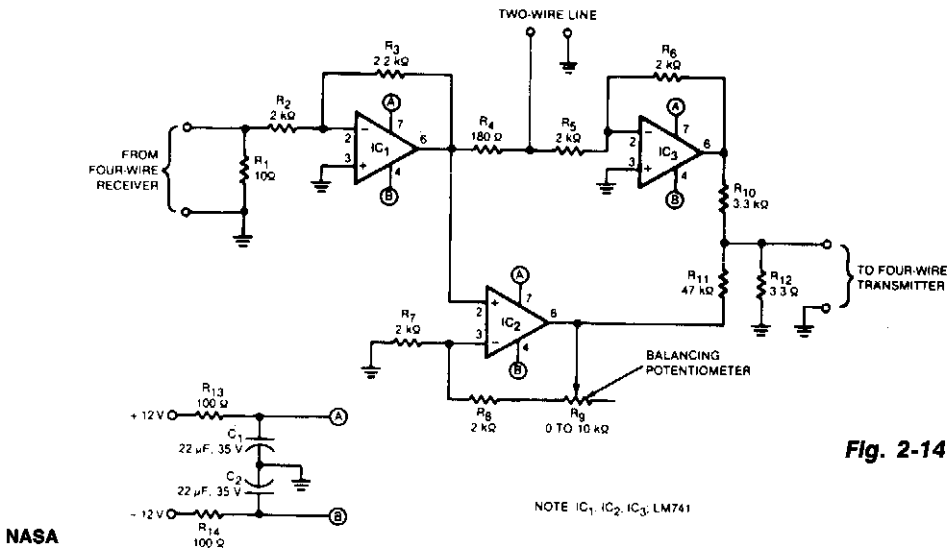


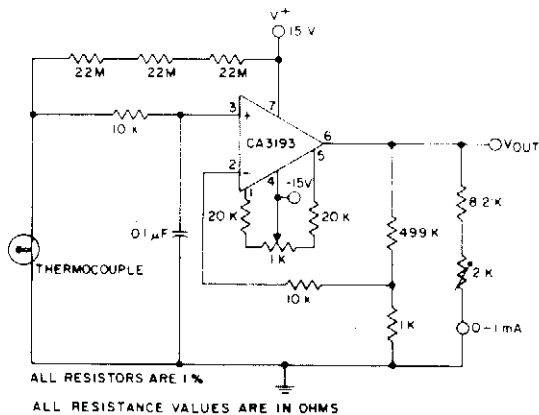
Fig. 2-14

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### Circuit Notes

This converter circuit maintains 40 dB of isolation between the input and output halves of a four-wire line while permitting a two-wire line to be connected. A balancing potentiometer,  $R_g$ , adjusts the gain of IC2 to null the feed-through from the input to the output. The adjustment is done on the workbench just after assembly by inserting a 1 kHz tone into the four-wire input and setting  $R_g$  for minimum output signal. An 82 ohm dummy-load resistor is placed across the two wire terminals.

## THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER



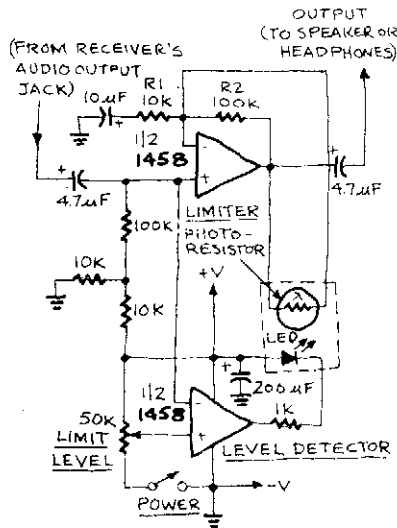
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Fig. 2-15

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3193 BiMOS precision op amp to amplify the generated signal 500 times. Three 22-megohm resistors will provide full-scale output if the thermocouple opens.

## LOW-DISTORTION AUDIO LIMITER



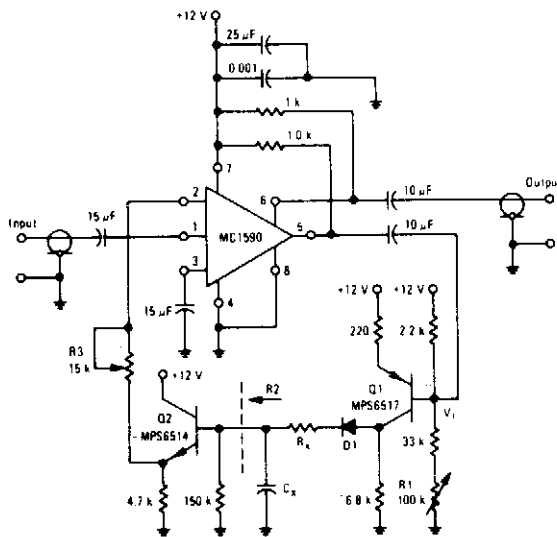
### Circuit Notes

The level at which the audio limiter comes into action can be set with the LIMIT LEVEL trimmer potentiometer. When that level is exceeded, the output from the LIMITER-DETECTOR half of the op-amp (used as a comparator) turns the LED which causes the resistance of the photoresistor to decrease rapidly. That in turn causes the gain of the LIMITER half of the op-amp to decrease. When the signal drops below the desired limiting level, the LED turns off, the resistance of the photoresistor increases, and the gain of the LIMITER op-amp returns to its normal level—that set by the combination of resistors R1 and R2. A dual-polarity power supply ( $\pm 12$  volts is desirable) is needed for the op-amp.

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Fig. 2-16

## SPEECH COMPRESSOR



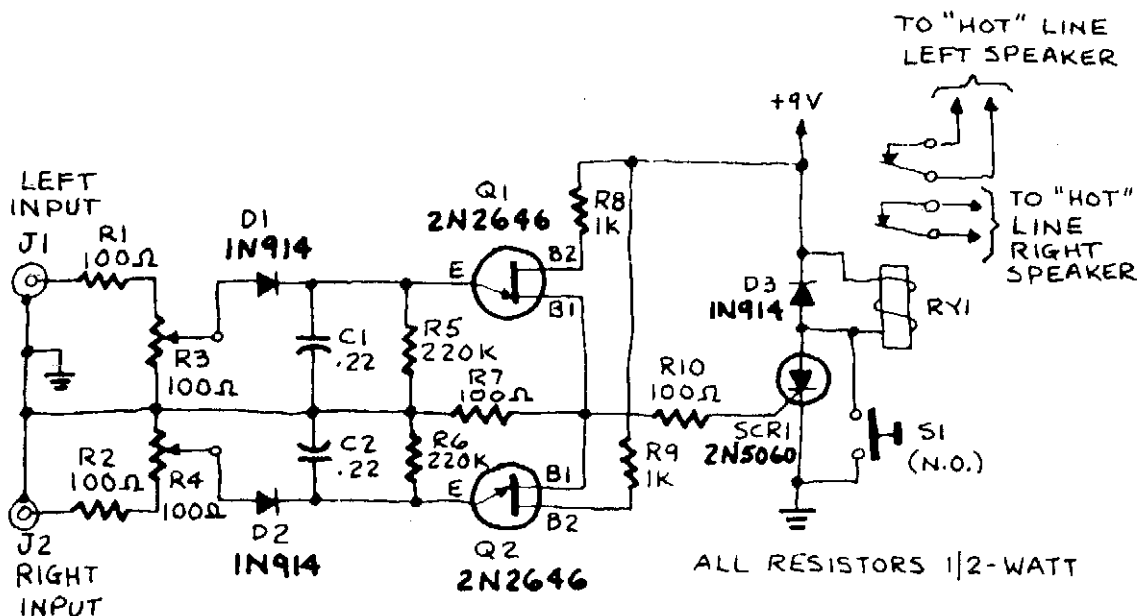
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Fig. 2-17

### Circuit Notes

The amplifier drives the base of a pnp MPS6517 operating common-emitter with a voltage gain of approximately 20. The control R1 varies the quiescent Q point of this transistor so that varying amounts of signal exceed the level  $V_r$ . Diode D1 rectifies the positive peaks of Q1's output only when these peaks are greater than  $V_r \approx 7.0$  volts. The resulting output is filtered  $C_x$ .  $R_x$  controls the charging time constant or attack time.  $C_x$  is involved in both charge and discharge. R2 (150 K, input resistance of the emitter-follower Q2) controls the decay time. Making the decay long and attack short is accomplished by making  $R_x$  small and R2 large. (A Darlington emitter-follower may be needed if extremely slow decay times are required.) The emitter-follower Q2 drives the AGC Pin 2 of the MC1590 and reduces the gain. R3 controls the slope of signal compression.

## SPEAKER OVERLOAD PROTECTOR



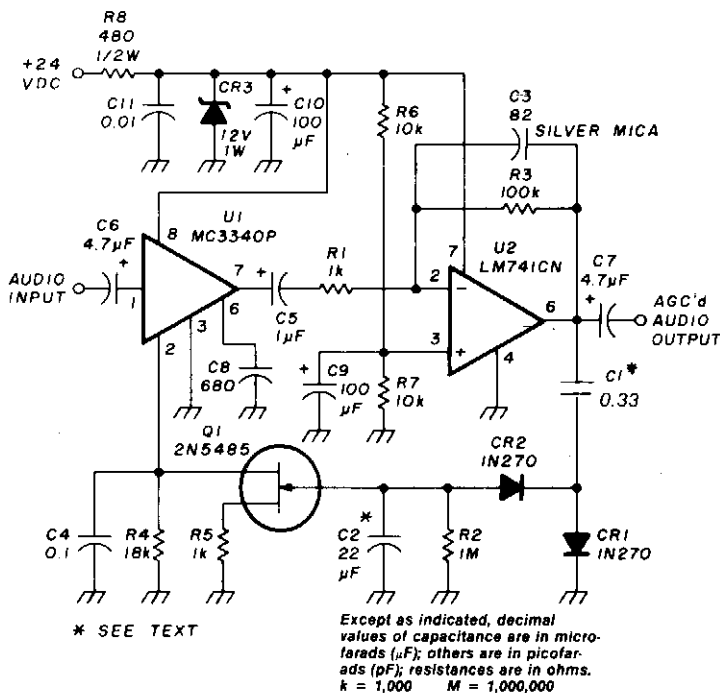
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Fig. 2-18

### Circuit Notes

The input to the circuit is taken from the amplifier's speaker-output terminals or jacks. If the right-channel signal is sufficiently large to charge C1 to a potential that is greater than the breakdown voltage of Q1's emitter, a voltage pulse will appear across R7. Similarly, if the left-channel signal is sufficiently large to charge C2 to a potential that is greater than the breakdown voltage of Q2's emitter, a pulse will appear across R7. The pulse across R7 triggers SCR1, a sensitive gate SCR ( $I_{GT}$  less than 15 mA where  $I_{GT}$  is the gate trigger-current), that latches in a conducting state and energizes RY1. The action of the relay will interrupt both speaker circuits, and the resulting silence should alert you to the problem. Cut back the volume on your amplifier, then press and release S1 to reset the circuit and restore normal operation. The circuit can be adjusted to trip at any level from 15 to 150 watts RMS. To calibrate, deliberately feed an excessive signal to the right input of the speaker protector and adjust R3 until RY1 energizes. Do the same with the left channel, this time adjusting R4. The circuit is now calibrated and ready for use.

## AUDIO AUTOMATIC GAIN CONTROL



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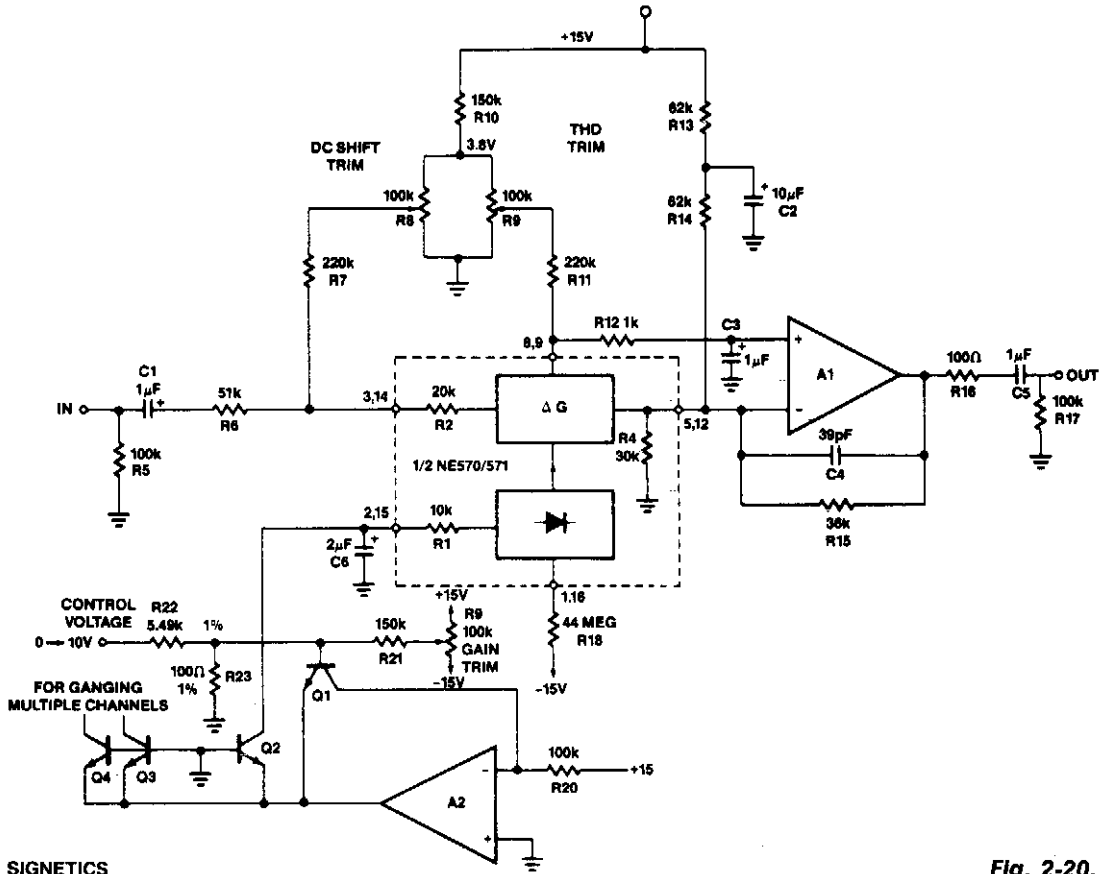
Fig. 2-19

### Circuit Notes

An audio signal applied to U1 is passed through to the 741 operational amplifier, U2. After being amplified, the output signal of U2 is sampled and applied to a negative voltage doubler/rectifier circuit composed of diodes CR1 and CR2 along with capacitor C1. The resulting negative voltage is used as a control voltage that is applied to the gate of the 2N5485 JFET Q1. Capacitor C2 and resistor R2 form a smoothing filter for the rectified audio control voltage.

The JFET is connected from pin 2 of the MC3340P to ground through a 1 kilohm resistor. As the voltage applied to the gate of the JFET becomes more negative in magnitude, the channel resistance of the JFET increases causing the JFET to operate as a voltage controlled resistor. The MC3340P audio attenuator is the heart of the AGC. It is capable of 13 dB gain or nearly -80 dB of attenuation depending on the external resistance placed between pin 2 and ground. An increase of resistance decreases the gain achieved through the MC3340P. The circuit gain is not entirely a linear function of the external resistance but approximates such behavior over a good portion of the gain/attenuation range. An input signal applied to the AGC input will cause the gate voltage of the JFET to become proportionally negative. As a result the JFET increases the resistance from pin 2 to ground of the MC3340P causing a reduction in gain. In this way the AGC output is held at a nearly constant level.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED ATTENUATOR



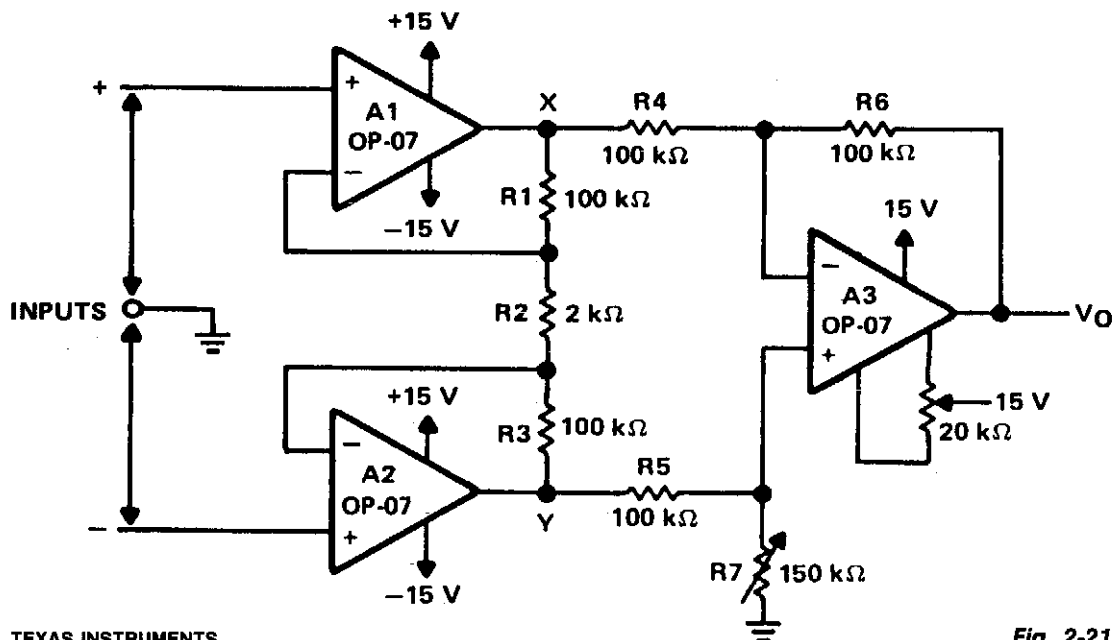
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Fig. 2-20.

### Circuit Notes

Op amp A<sub>2</sub> and transistors Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> form the exponential converter generating an exponential gain control current, which is fed into the rectifier. A reference current of 150 μA, (15 V and R<sub>20</sub> = 100 k), is attenuated a factor of two (6 dB) for every volt increase in the control voltage. Capacitor C<sub>6</sub> slows down gain changes to a 20 ms time constant (C<sub>6</sub> × R<sub>1</sub>) so that an abrupt change in the control voltage will produce a smooth sounding gain change. R<sub>18</sub> ensures that for large control voltages the circuit will go to full attenuation. The rectifier bias current would normally limit the gain reduction to about 70 dB. R<sub>16</sub> draws excess current out of the rectifier. After approximately 50 dB of attenuation at a -6 dB/V slope, the slope steepens and attenuation becomes much more rapid until the circuit totally shuts off at about 9 V of control voltage. A<sub>1</sub> should be a low-noise high slew rate op amp. R<sub>13</sub> and R<sub>14</sub> establish approximately a 0 V bias at A<sub>1</sub>'s output.

## HIGH-INPUT-IMPEDANCE DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 2-21

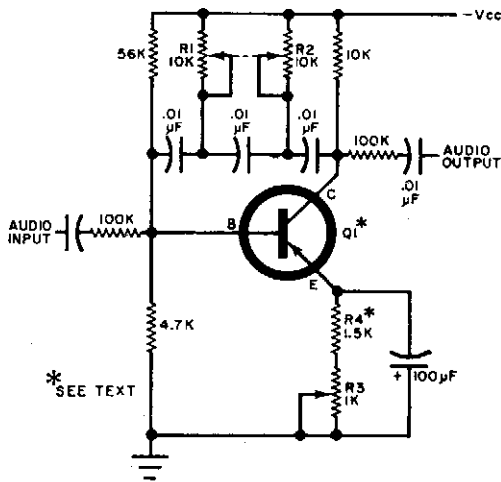
### Circuit Notes

Operational amplifiers A1 and A2 are connected in a non-inverting configuration with their outputs driving amplifier A3. Operational amplifier A3 could be called a subtractor circuit which converts the differential signal floating between points X and Y into a single-ended output voltage. Although not mandatory, amplifier A3 is usually operated at unity gain and R4, R5, R6, and R7 are all equal.

The common-mode-rejection of amplifier A3 is a function of how closely the ratio R4:R5 matches the ratio R6:R7. For example, when using resistors with 0.1% tolerance, common-mode rejection is greater than 60 dB. Additional improvement can be attained by using a potentiometer (slightly higher in value than R6) for R7. The potentiometer can be adjusted for the best common-mode rejection. Input amplifiers A1 and A2 will have some differential gain but the common-mode input voltages will experience only unity gain. These voltages will not appear as differential signals at the input of amplifier A3 because, when they appear at equal levels on both ends of resistor R2, they are effectively canceled.

This type of low-level differential amplifier finds widespread use in signal processing. It is also useful for dc and low-frequency signals commonly received from a transducer or thermocouple output, which are amplified and transmitted in a single-ended mode. The amplifier is powered by  $\pm 15$  V supplies. It is only necessary to null the input offset voltage of the output amplifier A3.

## AUDIO Q-MULTIPLIER



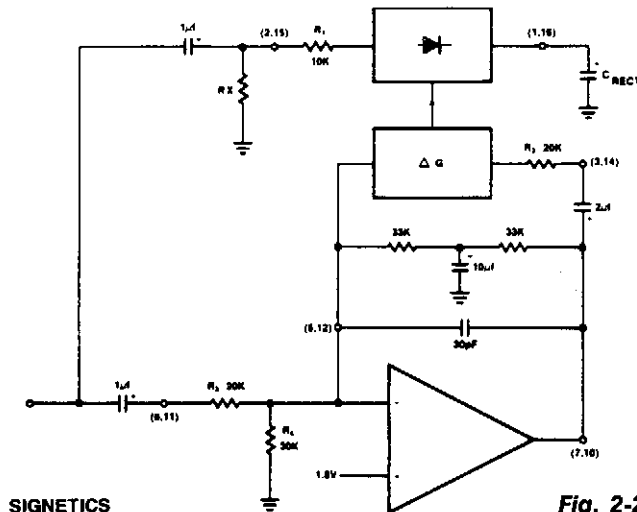
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Fig. 2-22

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is for selective tuning between two closely spaced audio tones. The selective frequency is dependent on the value of capacitors and resistors in the feedback circuit between the collector and base of Q1. With the values shown, the frequency can be "tuned" a hundred cycles or so around 650 Hz. R1 and R2 must be ganged. Emitter potentiometer R3 determines the sharpness of response curve. Any transistor having a beta greater than 50 can be used. Select a value for R4 so that the circuit will not oscillate when R3 is set for minimum bandwidth (sharpest tuning).

## AUTOMATIC LEVEL CONTROL



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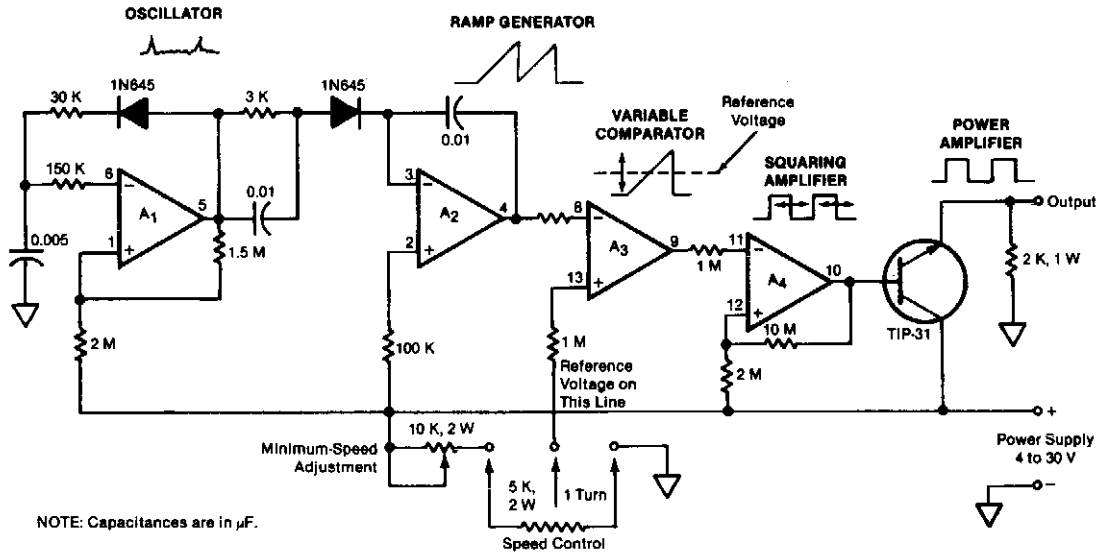
Fig. 2-23

### Circuit Notes

The NE570 can be used to make a very high performance ALC compressor, except that the rectifier input is tied to the input. This makes gain inversely proportional to input level so that a 20 dB drop in input level will produce a 20 dB increase in gain. The output will remain fixed at a constant level. As shown, the circuit will maintain an output level of  $\pm 1$  dB for an input range of +14 to -43 dB at 1 kHz. Additional external components will allow the output level to be adjusted.



## PULSE-WIDTH PROPORTIONAL-CONTROLLER CIRCUIT



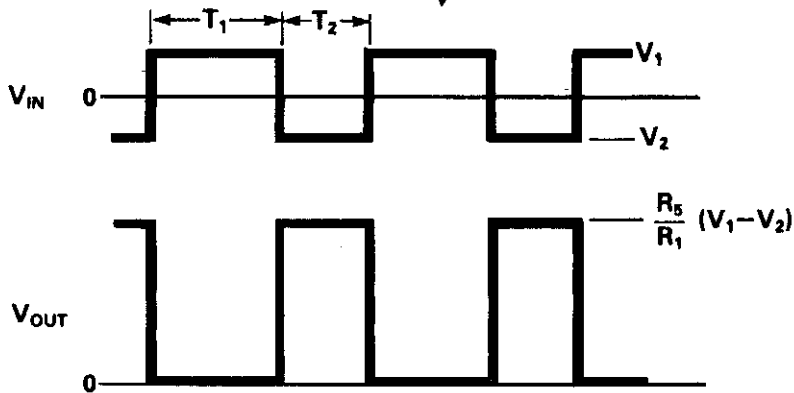
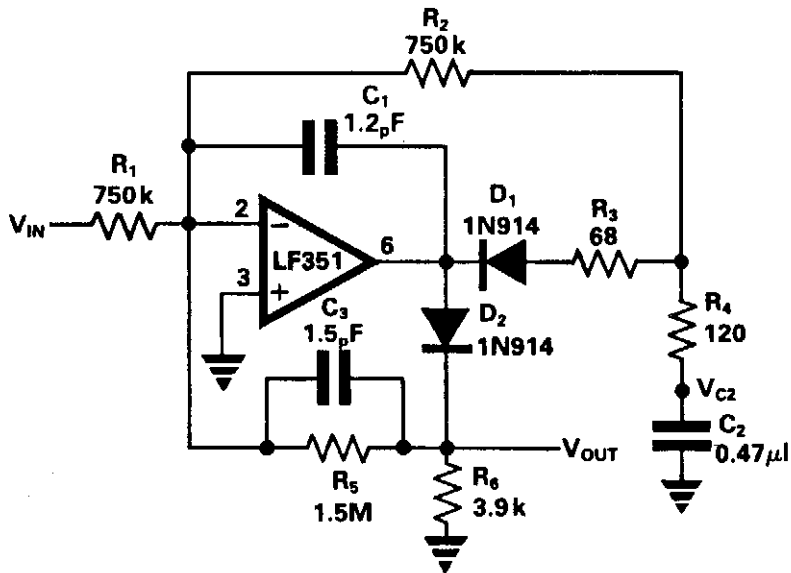
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Fig. 2-24

### Circuit Notes

The quad operational amplifier circuit yields full 0 to 100 percent pulse-width control. The controller uses an LM3900 that requires only a single supply voltage of 4 to 30 V. The pulse-repetition rate is set by a 1 kHz oscillator that incorporates amplifier  $A_1$ . The oscillator feeds ramp generator  $A_2$ , which generates a linear ramp voltage for each oscillator pulse. The ramp signal feeds the inverting input of comparator  $A_3$ ; the speed-control voltage feeds the noninverting input. Thus, the output of the comparator is a 1 kHz pulse train, the pulse width of which changes linearly with the control voltage. The control voltage can be provided by an adjustable potentiometer or by an external source of feedback information such as a motor-speed sensing circuit. Depending on the control-voltage setting, the pulse duration can be set at any value from zero (for zero average dc voltage applied to the motor) to the full pulse-repetition period (for applied motor voltage equal to dc power-supply voltage). An amplifier stage ( $A_4$ ) with a gain of 10 acts as a pulse-squaring circuit. A TIP-31 medium-power transistor is driven by  $A_4$  and serves as a separate power-amplifier stage.

## OP AMP CLAMPING



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Fig. 2-25

### Circuit Notes

The circuit clamps the most positive value of the input pulse signal to the zero base level. Additionally, the circuit inverts and amplifies the input signal by the factor of  $R_5/R_1$ . The waveforms are shown in the bottom of Fig. 2-24.

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## Analog-to-Digital Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- Successive Approximation A/D Converters
- 4 Digit (10,000 Count) A/D Converter
- 16-Bit A/D Converter
- Inexpensive, Fast 10-Bit Serial Output A/D
- 10-Bit A/D Converter
- High Speed 12-Bit A/D Converter
- Successive Approximation A/D Converter
- Cyclic A/D Converter
- Differential Input A/D System

# SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATION A/D CONVERTERS

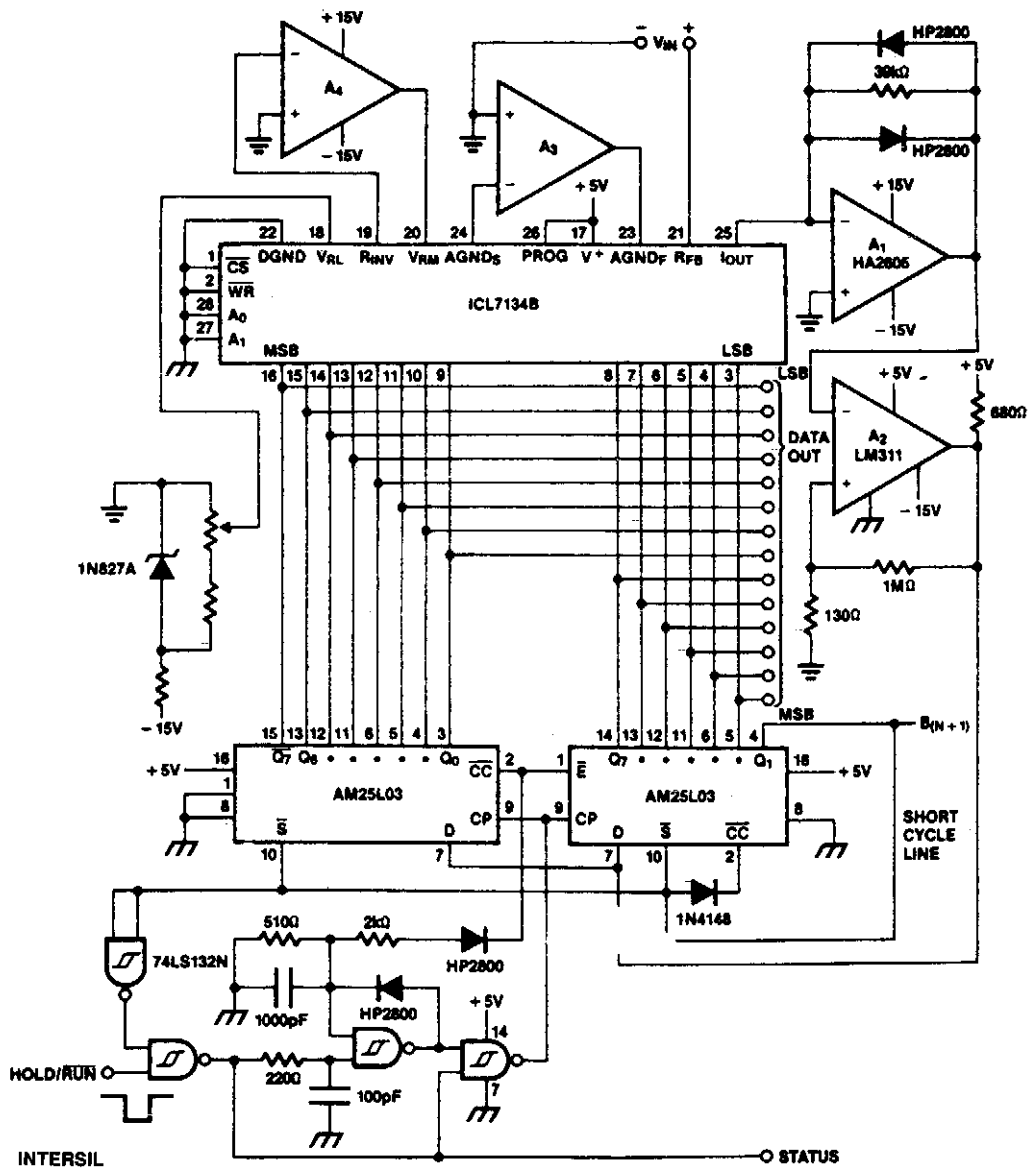


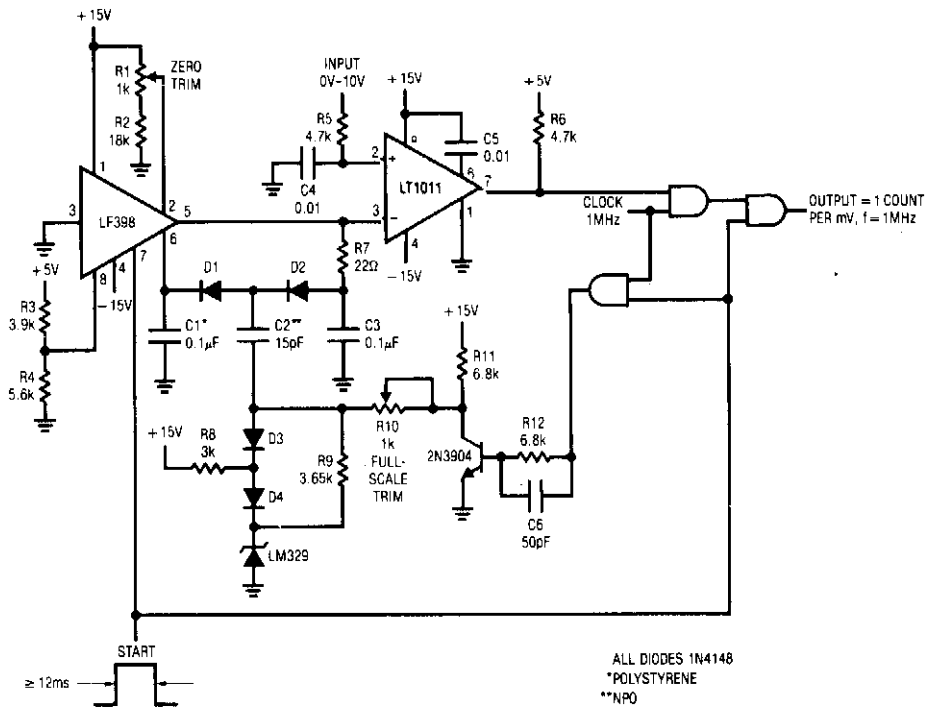
Fig. 3-1

## SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATION A/D CONVERTERS , Continued.

### Circuit Notes

The ICL7134B-based circuit is for a bipolar-input high-speed A/D converter, using two AM25L03s to form a 14-bit successive approximation register. The comparator is a two-stage circuit with an HA2605 front-end amplifier, used to reduce settling time problems at the summing node (see A020). Careful offset-nulling of this amplifier is needed, and if wide temperature range operation is desired, an auto-null circuit using an ICL7650 is probably advisable (see A053). The clock, using two Schmitt trigger TTL gates, runs at a slower rate for the first 8 bits, where settling-time is most critical than for the last 6 bits. The short-cycle line is shown tied to the 15th bit; if fewer bits are required, it can be moved up accordingly. The circuit will free-run if the HOLD/RUN input is held low, but will stop after completing a conversion if the pin is high at that time. A low-going pulse will restart it. The STATUS output indicates when the device is operating, and the falling edge indicates the availability of new data. A unipolar version can be constructed by typing the MSB (D13) on an ICL7134U to pin 14 on the first AM25L03, deleting the reference inversion amplifier A4, and tying  $V_{RFM}$  to  $V_{RFL}$ .

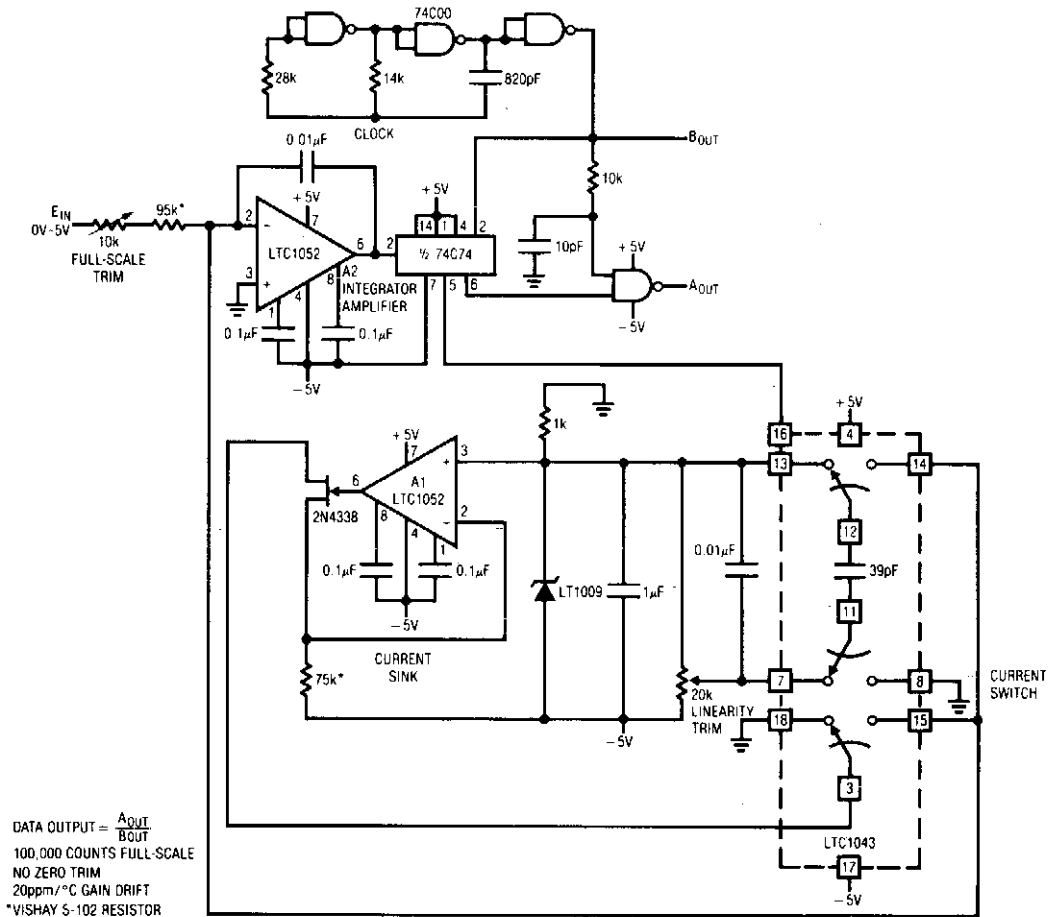
### 4 DIGIT (10,000 COUNT) A/D CONVERTER



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Fig. 3-2

## 16-BIT A/D CONVERTER



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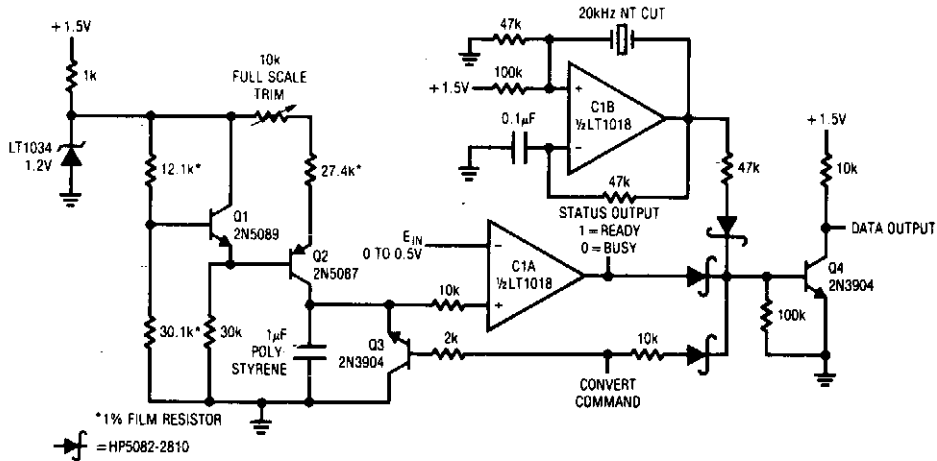
**Fig. 3-3**

### Circuit Notes

The A/D converter, made up of A2, a flip-flop, some gates and a current sink, is based on a current balancing technique. Once again, the chopper-stabilized LTC1052's 50 nV/°C input drift is required to eliminate offset errors in the A/D.



## 10-BIT A/D CONVERTER



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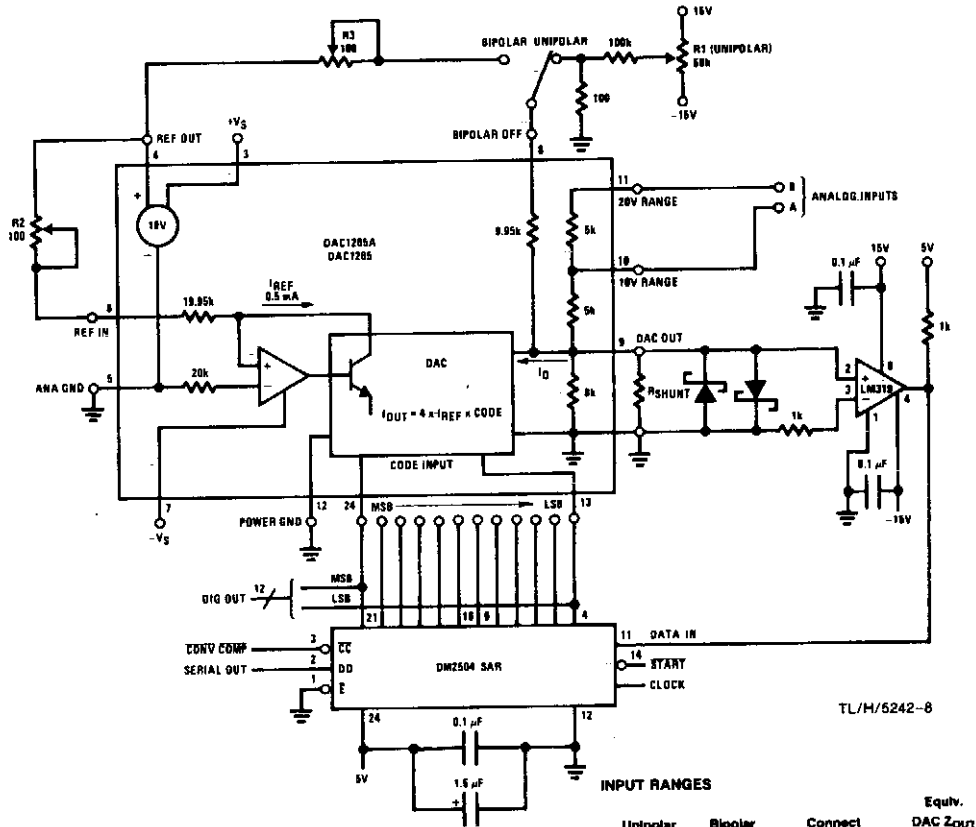
**Fig. 3-5**

### Circuit Notes

The converter has a 60 ms conversion time, consumes 460  $\mu\text{A}$  from its 1.5 V supply and maintains 10 bit accuracy over a 15°C to 35°C temperature range. A pulse applied to the convert command line causes Q3, operating in inverted mode, to discharge through the 10 k $\Omega$  diode path, forcing its collector low. Q3's inverted mode switching results in a capacitor discharge within 1 mV of ground. During the time the ramps' value is below the input voltage, C1A's output is low. This allows pulses from C1B, a quartz stabilized oscillator, to modulate Q4. Output data appears at Q4's collector. When the ramp crosses the input voltages value C1A's output goes high, biasing Q4 and output data ceases. The number of pulses at the output is directly proportional to the input voltage. To calibrate apply 0.5 V to the input and trim the 10 k $\Omega$  potentiometer for exactly 1000 pulses out each time the convert command line is pulsed.



## HIGH SPEED 12-BIT A/D CONVERTER



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**Fig. 3-6**

### Circuit Notes

This system completes a full 12-bit conversion in 10  $\mu$ s unipolar or bipolar. This converter will be accurate to  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  LSB of 12 bits and have a typical gain TC of 10 ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C. In the unipolar mode, the system range is 0 V to 9.9976 V, with each bit having a value of 2.44 mV. For the true conversion accuracy, an A/D converter should be trimmed so that given bit code output results from input levels from  $\frac{1}{2}$  LSB below to  $\frac{1}{2}$  LSB above the exact voltage which that code represents. Therefore, the converter zero point should be trimmed with an input voltage of 1.22 mV; trim R1 until the LSB just begins to appear in the output code (all other bits "0"). For full-scale, use an input voltage of 9.9963 V (10 V-1 LSB- $\frac{1}{2}$  LSB); then trim R2 until the LSB just begins to appear (all other bits "1"). The bipolar signal range is -5.0 V to 4.9976 V. Bipolar offset trimming is done by applying a -4.9988 V input signal and trimming R3 for the LSB transition (all other bits "0"). Full-scale is set by applying 4.9963 V and trimming R2 for the LSB transition (all other bits "1").

## SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATION A/D CONVERTER

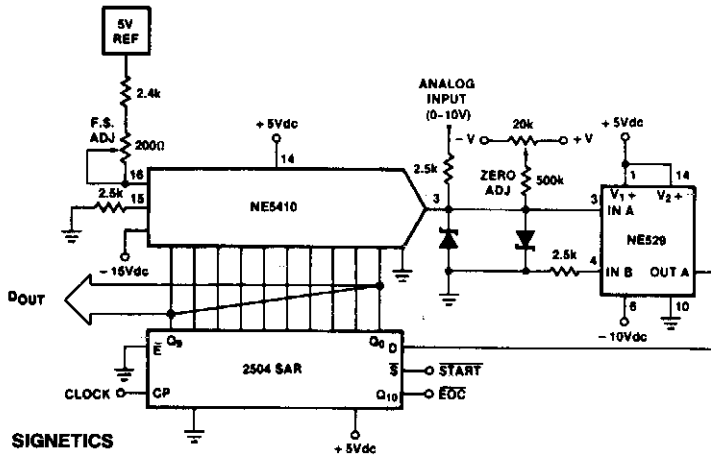
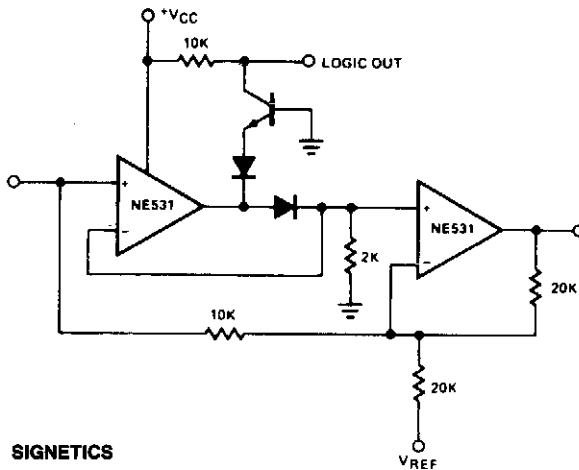


Fig. 3-7

### Circuit Notes

The 10-bit conversion time is  $3.3 \mu\text{s}$  with a 3 MHz clock. This converter uses a 2504 12-bit successive approximation register in the short cycle operating mode where the end of conversion signal is taken from the first unused bit of the SAR ( $Q_{10}$ ).

## CYCLIC A/D CONVERTER



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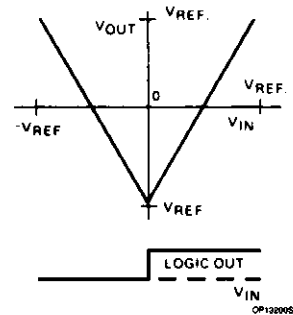
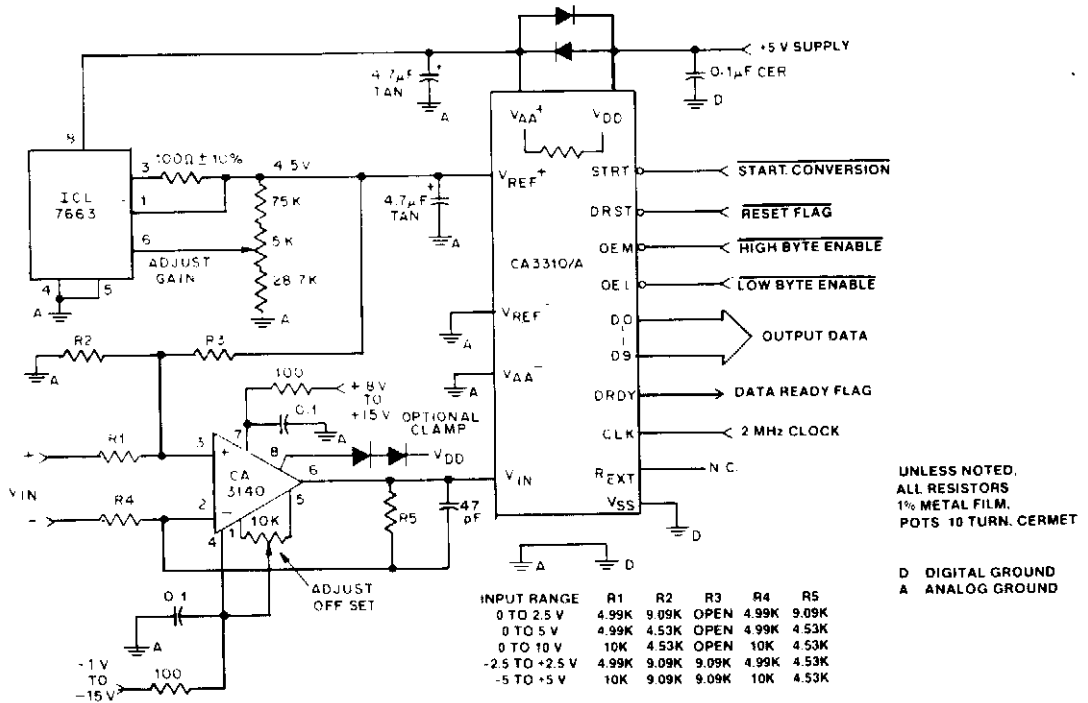


Fig. 3-8

### Circuit Notes

The cyclic converter consists of a chain of identical stages, each of which senses the polarity of the input. The stage then subtracts  $V_{REF}$  from the input and doubles the remainder if the polarity was correct. The signal is full-wave rectified and the remainder of  $V_{IN} - V_{REF}$  is doubled. A chain of these stages gives the gray code equivalent of the input voltage in digitized form related to the magnitude of  $V_{REF}$ . Possessing high potential accuracy, the circuit using NE531 devices settles in  $5 \mu\text{s}$ .

## DIFFERENTIAL INPUT A/D SYSTEM



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**Fig. 3-9**

### Circuit Notes

Using a CA3140 BiMOS op amp provides good slewing capability for high bandwidth input signals, and can quickly settle energy that the CA3310 outputs at its  $V_{IN}$  terminal. The CA3140 can also drive close to the negative supply rail. If system supply sequencing or an unknown input voltage is likely to cause the op amp to drive above the  $V_{DD}$  supply, a diode clamp can be added from pin 8 of the op amp to the  $V_{DD}$  supply.

# 4

## Annunciators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Low-Cost Chime Circuit  
Electronic Bell  
Sliding-Tone Doorbell



## SLIDING-TONE DOORBELL

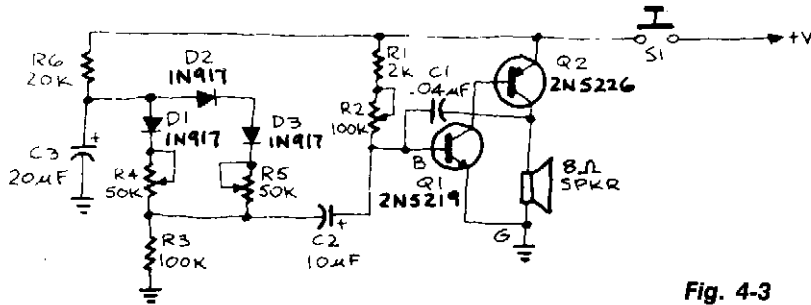


Fig. 4-3

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### Circuit Notes

When the doorbell is pushed, you'll hear a low tone that will "slide up" to a higher frequency. The frequency of the AF oscillator is determined by coupling capacitor, C1 and the value of the resistance connected between the base of Q1 and ground. That resistance,  $R_{BG}$  is equal to  $(R1 + R2) R3$ . First, assume that S1 is closed and R2 has been adjusted to produce a pleasant, low-frequency tone. Capacitor C3 will charge through R6 until it reaches such a voltage that it will cause diode D1 to conduct. When that happens, the value of  $R_{BG}$  is paralleled by R4. Thus, because the total resistance  $R_{BG}$  decrease, the output tone slides up in frequency. Capacitor C3 will continue to charge until the voltage across D2 and D3 causes those diodes to conduct. Then  $R_{BG}$  is paralleled also by R5, the total resistance again decreases, and the oscillator's frequency again increases.

# 5

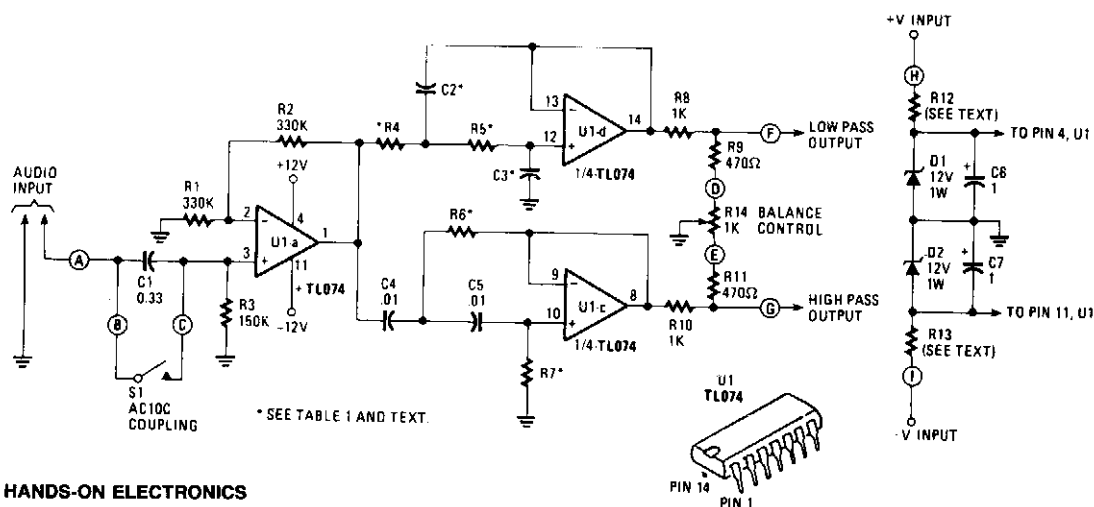
## Audio Mixers, Crossovers and Distribution Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Crossover Circuit  
Sound Mixer Amplifier  
Microphone Mixer  
Low Distortion Input Selector for Audio Use  
Audio Distribution Amplifier  
Four Channel Four Track Mixer

## ELECTRONIC CROSSOVER CIRCUIT



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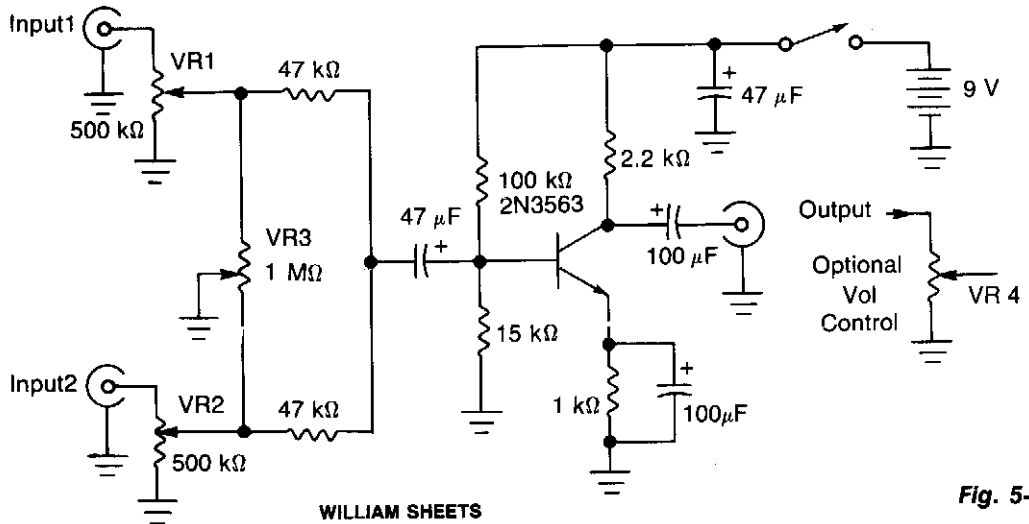
**Fig. 5-1**

### Circuit Notes

An audio source, such as a mixer, preamplifier, equalizer, or recorder, is fed to the Electronic Crossover Circuit's input. That signal is either ac- or dc-coupled, depending on the setting of switch S1, to the non-inverting input of buffer-amplifier U1a, one section of a quad, BIFET, low-noise TL074 op amp made by Texas Instruments. That stage has a gain of 2, and its output is distributed to both a lowpass filter made by R4, R5, C2, C3, and op-amp U1d, and a highpass filter made by R6, R7, C4, C5, and op amp U1c. Those are 12 dB/octave Butterworth-type filters. The Butterworth filter response was chosen because it gives the best compromise between damping and phase shift. Values of capacitors and resistors will vary with the selected crossover at which your unit will operate. The filter's outputs are fed to a balancing network made by R8, R9, R10, R11 and balance potentiometer R14. When the potentiometer is at its mid-position, there is unity gain for the passbands of both the high and low filters. Dc power for the Electronic Crossover Circuit is regulated by R12, R13, D1, and D2, and decoupled by C6 and C7.



## SOUND MIXER/AMPLIFIER



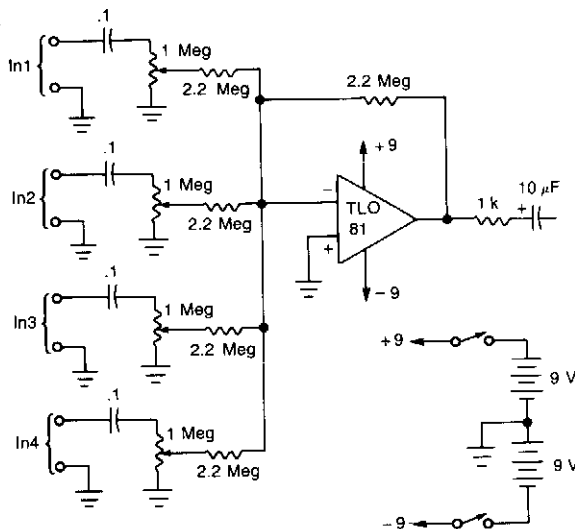
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 5-2

### Circuit Notes

Both input signals can be independently controlled by VR1 and VR2. The balance control VR3 is used to fade out one signal while simultaneously fading in the other. The transistor VR3 provides gain and the combined output signal level is controlled by VR4 (optional).

## MICROPHONE MIXER



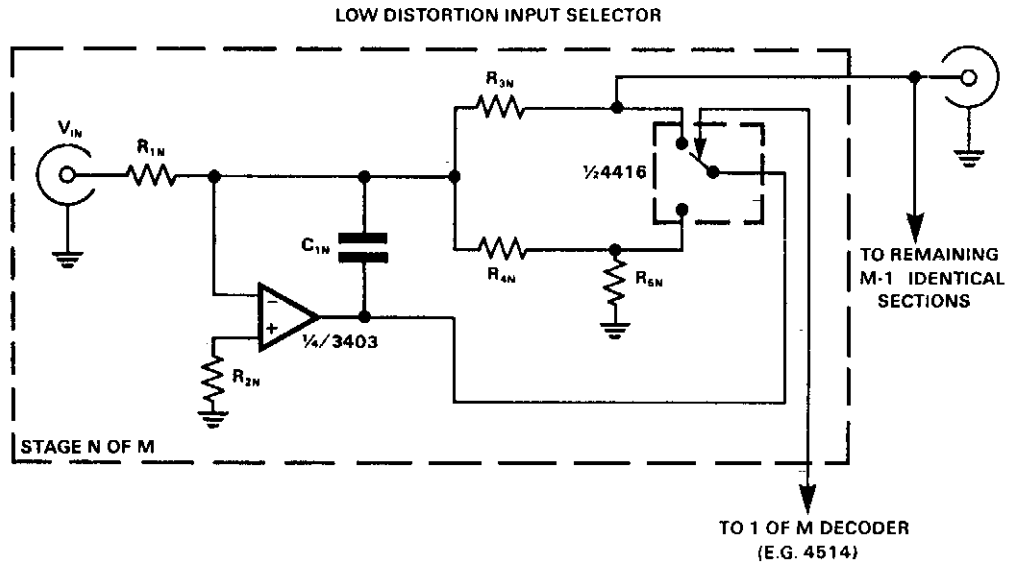
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 5-3

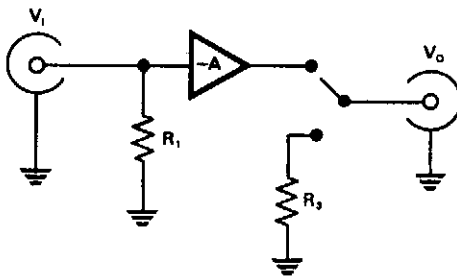
### Circuit Notes

A TL081 op amp is used as a high-to-low impedance converter and signal mixer. The input impedance is approximately 1 megohm and the output impedance is about 1 kilohm. Two 9-volt batteries are used as the power source. Battery life should be several hundred hours with alkaline batteries.

## LOW DISTORTION INPUT SELECTOR FOR AUDIO USE



EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT OF EACH STAGE:



$$R_{3N} = R_{4N} = AR_{1N}$$

$$R_{2N} = (R_{1N} + R_3) // R_{3N} // (R_{4N} + R_{5N})$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi f_{MAX}} \gg R_{3N} C_{1N} \gg r_s$$

$$R_{5N} = \frac{1}{R_1^{-1} + \sum_{i=1}^M (R_{3i})^{-1}}$$

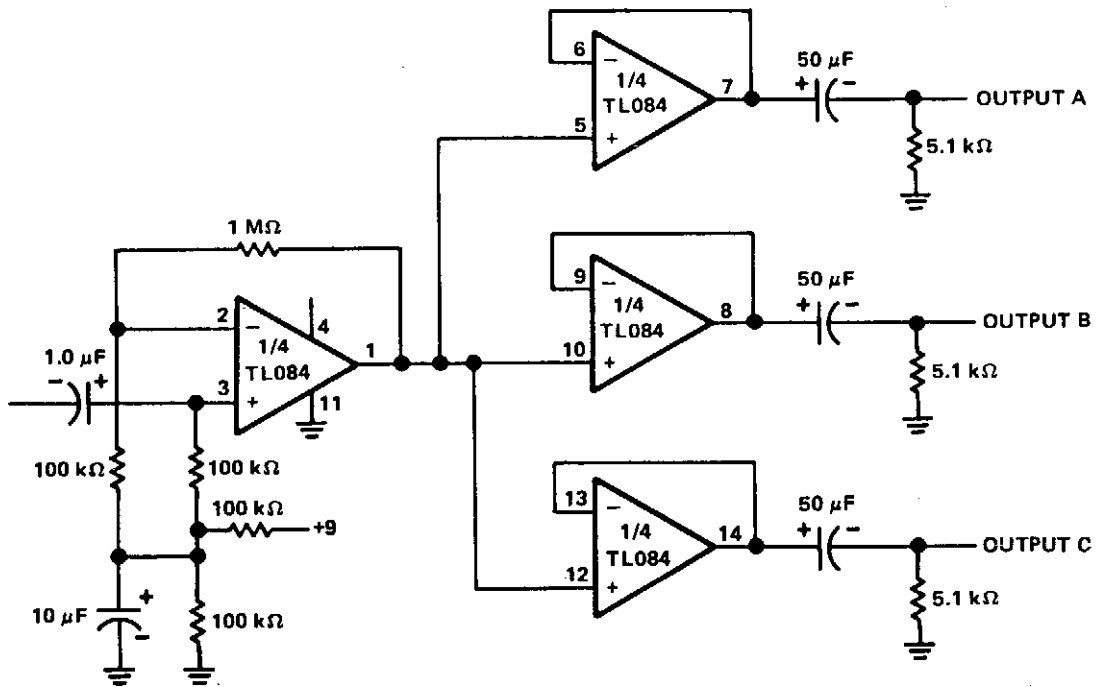
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**Fig. 5-4**

### Circuit Notes

CMOS switches are used directly to select inputs in audio circuits, this can introduce unacceptable levels of distortion, but if the switch is included in the feedback network of an op amp, the distortion due to the switch can be almost eliminated. The circuit uses a 4416 CMOS switch, arranged as two independent SPDT switches. If switching transients are unimportant, R<sub>5</sub> and C<sub>1</sub> can be omitted, and R<sub>4</sub> can be shorted out. However, a feedback path must be maintained, even when a channel is switched out, in order to keep the inverting input of the op amp at ground potential, and prevent excessive crosstalk between channels.

## AUDIO DISTRIBUTION AMPLIFIER



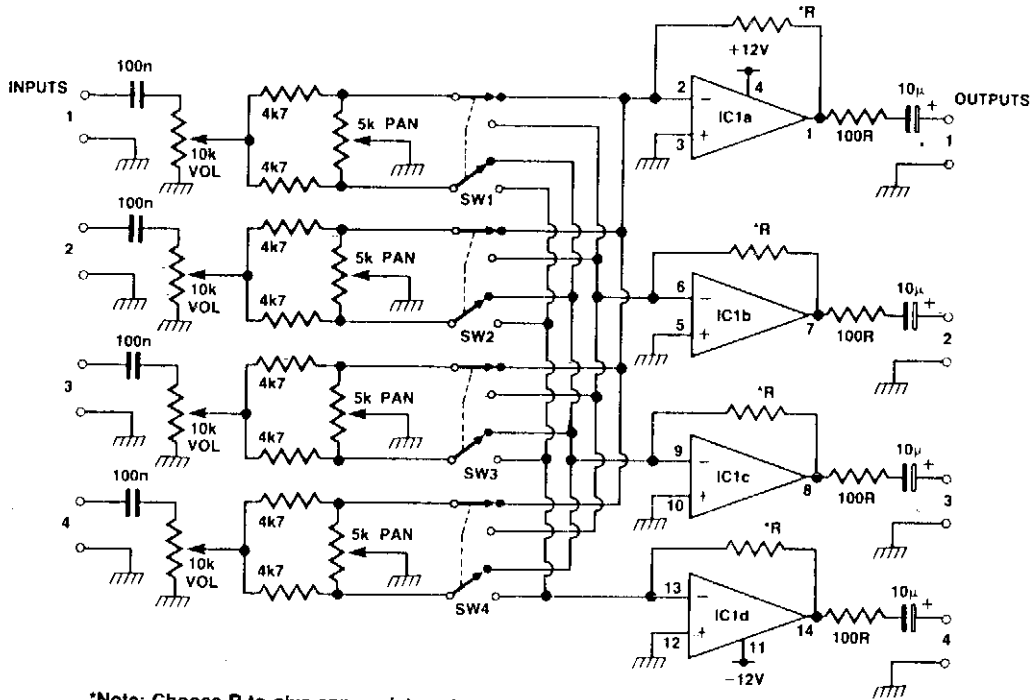
TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 5-5

### Circuit Notes

The three channel output distribution amplifier uses a single TL084. The first stage is capacitively coupled with a 1.0 μF electrolytic capacitor. The inputs are at  $\frac{1}{2} V_{CC}$  rail or 4.5 V. This makes it possible to use a single 9 V supply. A voltage gain of 10 (1 M ohm/100 k ohm) is obtained in the first stage, and the other three stages are connected as unity-gain voltage followers. Each output stage independently drives an amplifier through the 50 μF output capacitor to the 5.1 k ohm load resistor. The response is flat from 10 Hz to 30 kHz.

## FOUR CHANNEL FOUR TRACK MIXER



\*Note: Choose R to give appropriate gain.

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Fig. 5-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be used as a stereo mixer as well as a four track. The quad op-amp IC gives a bit of gain for each track. The pan control allows panning between tracks one and two with the switch in the up position, and with the switch in the down position, it makes possible panning between tracks three and four. Extra channels can be added. A suitable op amp for IC1 is TL074 or similar.

# 6

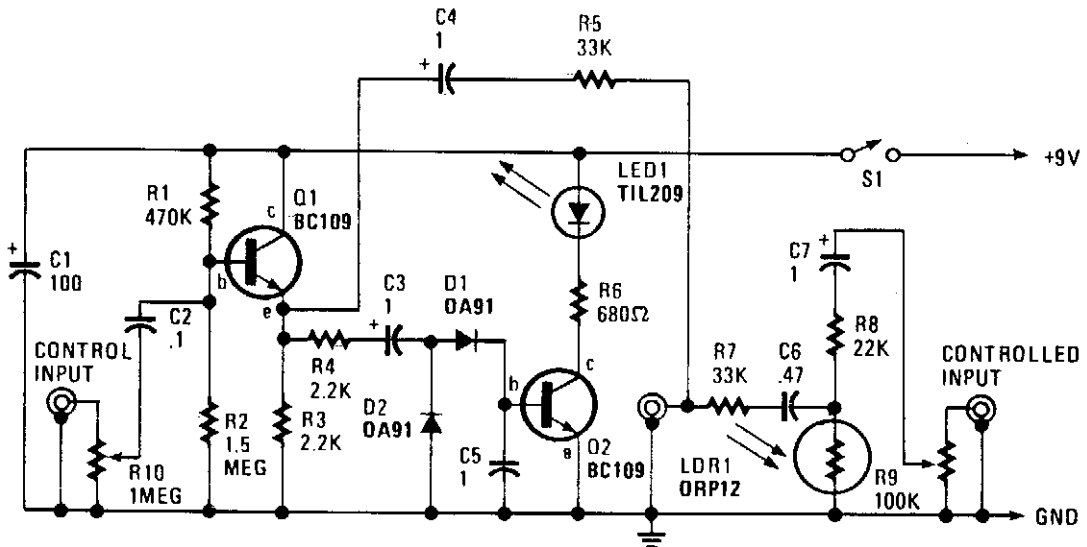
## Audio Signal Amplifiers

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Auto Fade  
Transistor Headphone Amplifier  
Stereo Preamplifier  
Audio Compressor  
Micropower High-Input-Impedance 20-dB Amplifier  
Stereo Preamplifier  
Microphone Preamplifier  
Volume, Balance, Loudness & Power Amps  
Balance and Loudness Amplifier

## AUTO FADE



TAB BOOKS INC.

Fig. 6-1

### Circuit Notes

The automatic fader drops the level of the background music when the narration comes up. The control input goes through R10, a preset audio level control, to the input of an emitter-follower buffer stage (Q1). The buffer offers a high input impedance and makes sure that the source impedance is low enough to drive the rectifier and smoothing circuit, which consist of D1, D2, and C5. The smoothed output drives a simple LED circuit. R8 and LDR1 form an input attenuator across which the output is fed via C6 and C7 to the output jack. The output at the emitter of Q1 couples to this socket through C4 and R5. R5 and R7 are a passive mixer. With 200 mV or less at the input, there isn't sufficient voltage across C5 to make Q2 turn on. Over 200 mV, Q2 does turn on to a limit, and the LED gets power. That makes the LDR's resistance fall, and signal loss through the attenuator increases. Increase the input to 350 mV rms, and you get a signal reduction of better than 20 dB.

## TRANSISTOR HEADPHONE AMPLIFIER

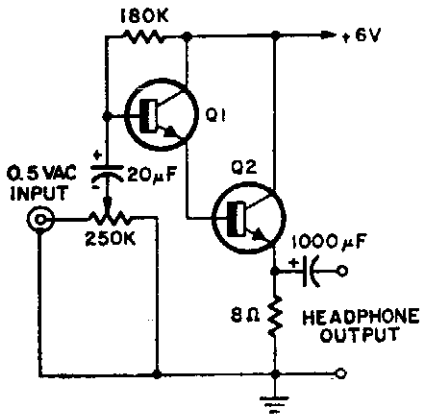
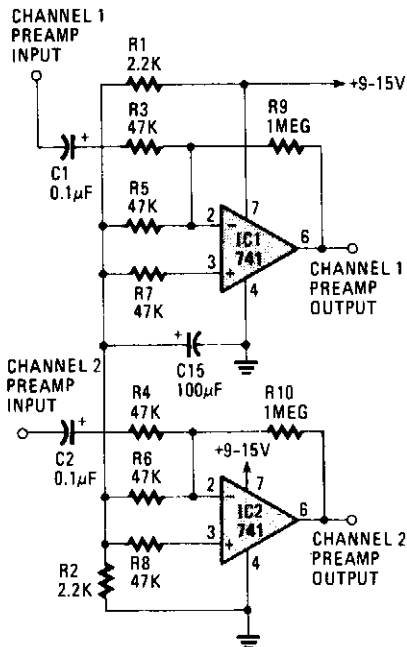


Fig. 6-2

RADIO ELECTRONICS

## STEREO PREAMPLIFIER



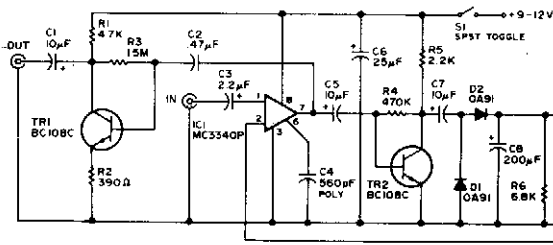
### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides better than 20-dB gain in each channel. A better op-amp type will give a better noise figure and bandpass. In this circuit the roll-off is acute at 20,000 Hertz.

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Fig. 6-2

## AUDIO COMPRESSOR



RESISTORS - MINIATURE 1/4W, 5 OR 10%  
 C1, C5, C6, C7 - ELECTROLYTIC, 16V WKG  
 C3 - ELECTROLYTIC, 25V WKG  
 C8 - ELECTROLYTIC, 5V WKG  
 C2 - TYPE C250 (MULLARD)

### Circuit Notes

A MC3340P is used as a variable gain amplifier. The output of TR2 is rectified and controls the gain of IC1.

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Fig. 6-3

## MICROPOWER HIGH-INPUT-IMPEDANCE 20-dB AMPLIFIER

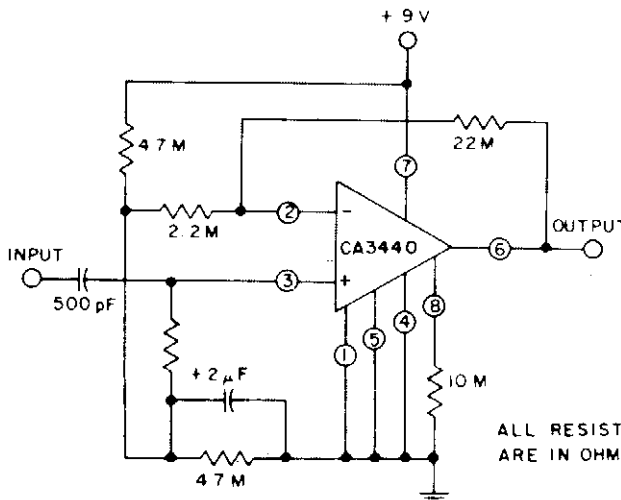


Fig. 6-4

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES  
 ARE IN OHMS

$R_{in} > 20 \text{ M}$   
 STAND-BY POWER =  $90 \mu\text{W}$  3 KHz UPPER 3 dB BANDWIDTH  
 GAIN = 20 dB  
 BW: 20-Hz TO 3-KHz  
 SR =  $0.016 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$

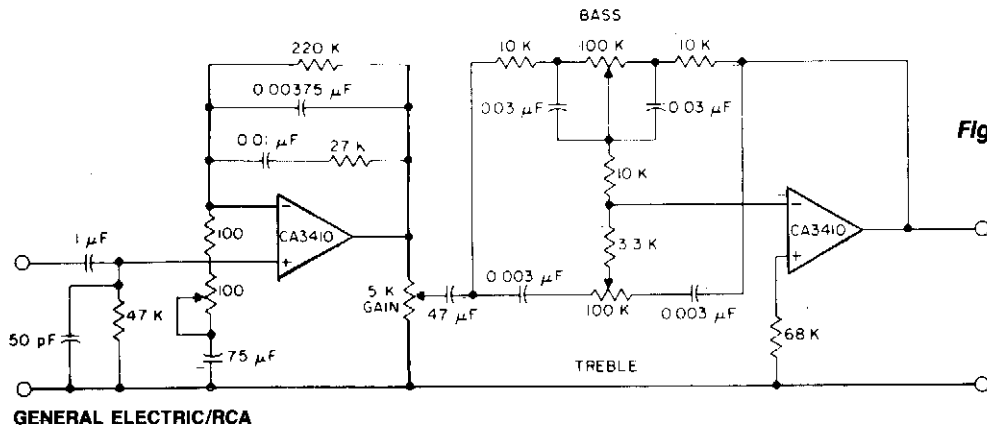
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### Circuit Notes

This circuit takes advantage of low power drain, high input impedance, and the excellent frequency capability of the CA3440. Only a 500-pF input coupling capacitor is needed to achieve a 20 Hz, -3 dB low-frequency response.



## STEREO PREAMPLIFIER

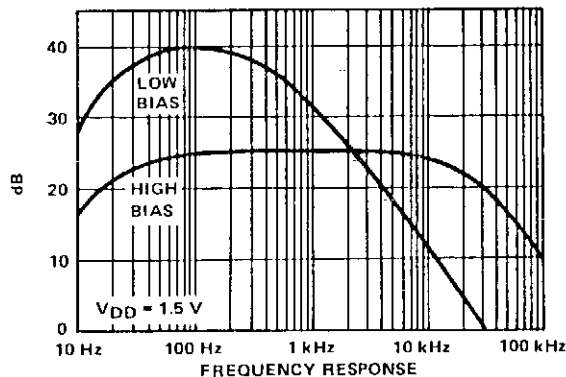
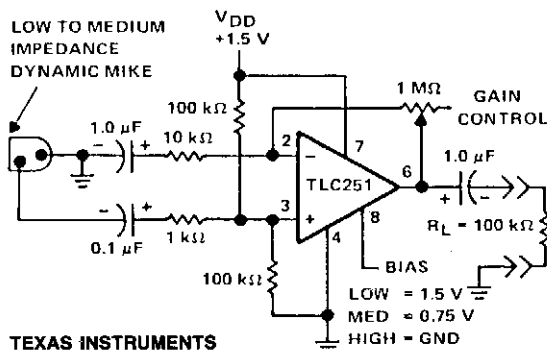


**Fig. 6-5**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit has RIAA playback equalization, tone controls, and adequate gain to drive a majority of commercial power amplifiers, using the CA3410 BiMOS op amp. Total harmonic distortion, when driven to provide a 6-V output, is less than 0.035% in the audio-frequency range of 150 Hz to 40 kHz. Complete stereo preamplifier consists of duplicating this circuit using the two remaining CA3410 amplifiers.

## MICROPHONE PREAMPLIFIER

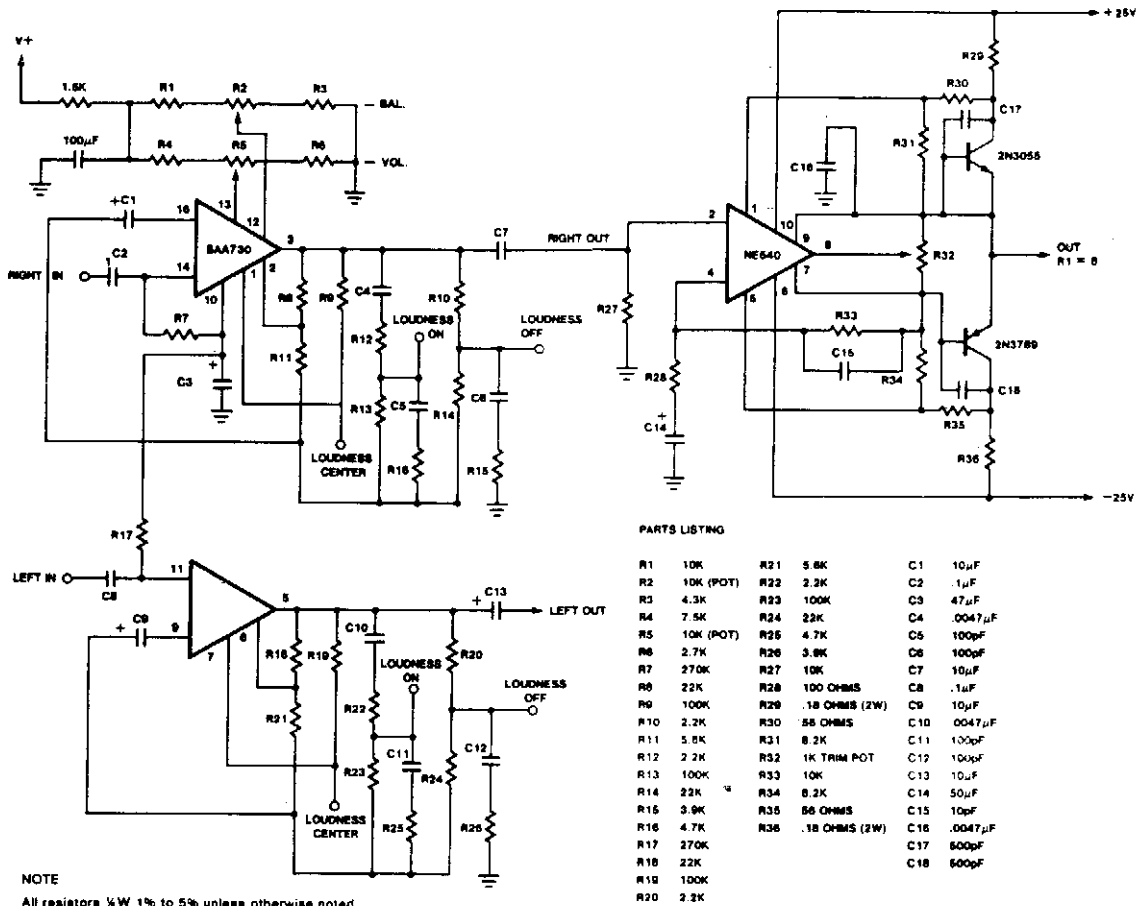


**Fig. 6-6**

### Circuit Notes

A microphone preamplifier using a CMOS op amp complete with its own battery, is small enough to be put in a small mike case. The amplifier operates from a 1.5-V mercury cell battery at low supply currents. This preamplifier will operate at very low power levels and maintain a reasonable frequency response as well. The TLC251 operated in the low bias mode (operating at 1.5 V) draws a supply current of only 10  $\mu$ A and has a -3 dB frequency response of 27 Hz to 4.8 kHz. With pin 8 grounded, which is designated as the high bias condition, the upper limit increases to 25 kHz. Supply current is only 30  $\mu$ A under those conditions.

## VOLUME, BALANCE, LOUDNESS & POWER AMPS



**PARTS LISTING**

|              |                   |             |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
| R1 10K       | R21 5.6K          | C1 10μF     |
| R2 10K (POT) | R22 2.2K          | C2 .1μF     |
| R3 4.3K      | R23 100K          | C3 47μF     |
| R4 7.5K      | R24 22K           | C4 .0047μF  |
| R5 10K (POT) | R25 4.7K          | C5 100pF    |
| R6 2.7K      | R26 3.9K          | C6 100pF    |
| R7 270K      | R27 10K           | C7 10μF     |
| R8 22K       | R28 100 OHMS      | C8 .1μF     |
| R9 100K      | R29 .18 OHMS (2W) | C9 10μF     |
| R10 2.2K     | R30 56 OHMS       | C10 .0047μF |
| R11 5.6K     | R31 8.2K          | C11 100pF   |
| R12 2.2K     | R32 1K TRIM POT   | C12 100pF   |
| R13 100K     | R33 10K           | C13 10μF    |
| R14 22K      | R34 0.2K          | C14 50μF    |
| R15 3.9K     | R35 56 OHMS       | C15 10pF    |
| R16 4.7K     | R36 .18 OHMS (2W) | C16 .0047μF |
| R17 270K     |                   | C17 500pF   |
| R18 22K      |                   | C18 500pF   |
| R19 100K     |                   |             |
| R20 2.2K     |                   |             |

**NOTE**  
All resistors 1/4W 1% to 5% unless otherwise noted

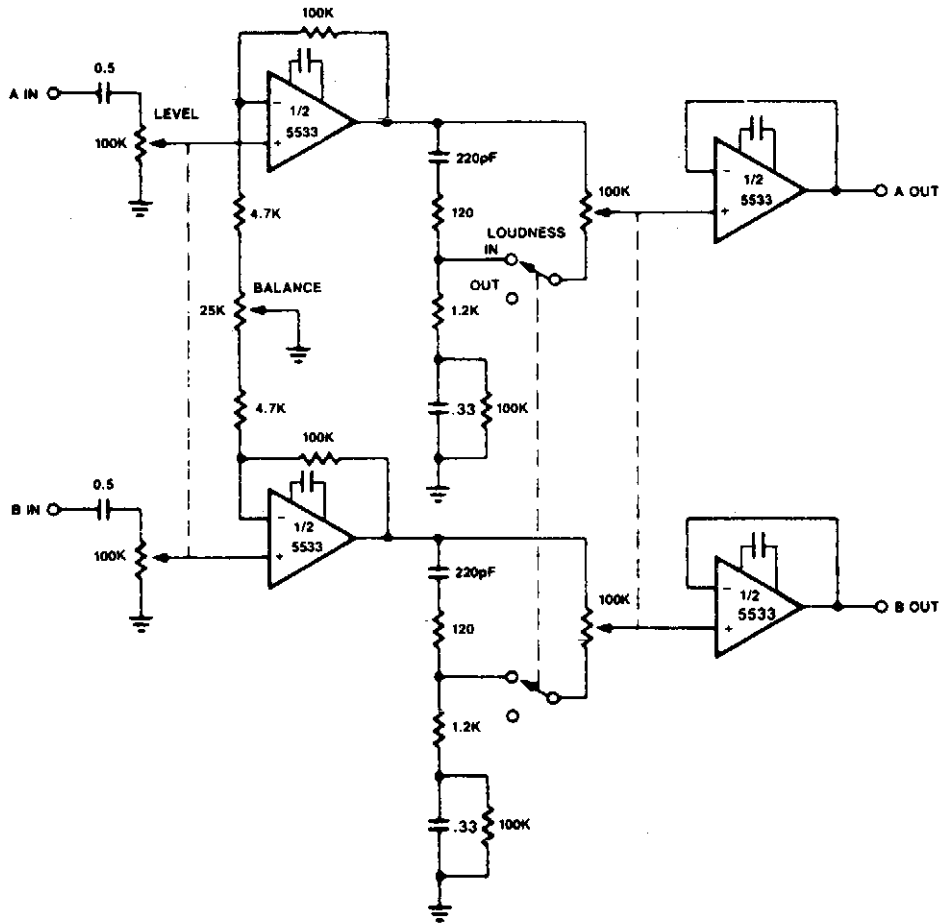
**SIGNETICS**

**Fig. 6-7**

**Circuit Notes**

This circuit should prove suitable as a design example for audio sound application.

## BALANCE AND LOUDNESS AMPLIFIER



TC08680S

**NOTE:**  
All resistor values are in ohms.

SIGNETICS

Fig. 6-7

### Circuit Notes

The circuit shows a combination of balance and loudness controls. Due to the non-linearity of the human hearing system, the low frequencies must be boosted at low listening levels. Balance, level, and loudness controls provide all the listening controls to produce the desired music response.

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## Automotive Circuits

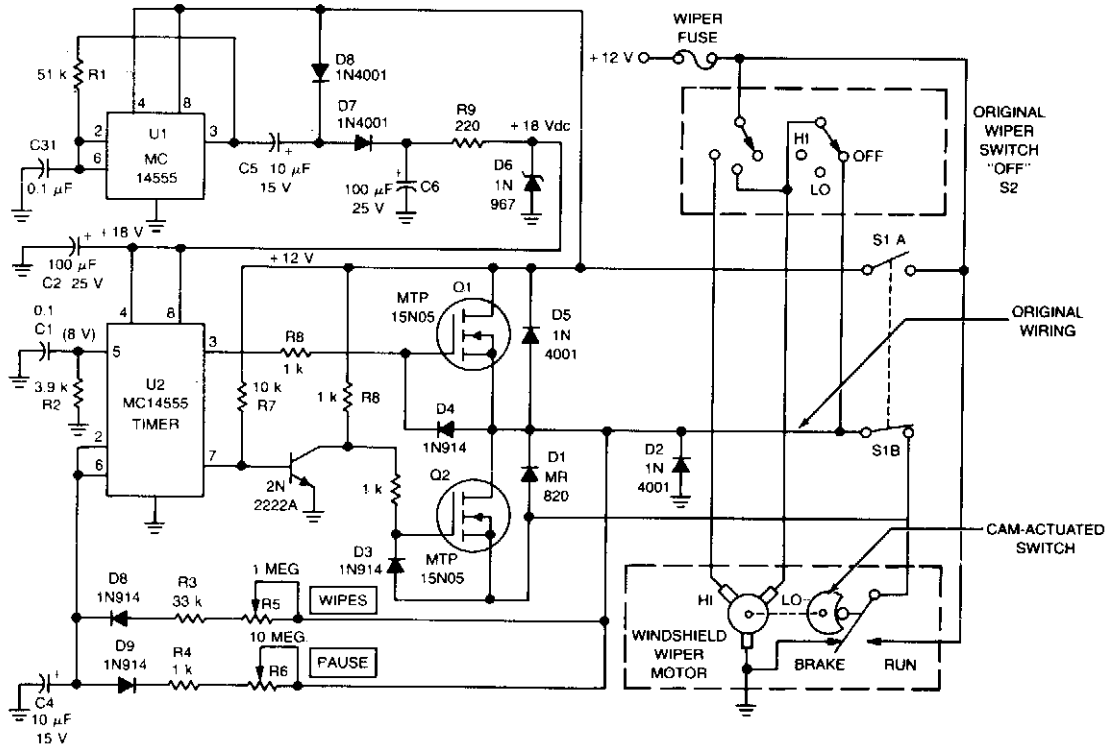
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Intermittent Windshield Wiper with Dynamic  
Braking  
Immobilizer  
Automotive Exhaust Emissions Analyzer  
Glow Plug Driver  
Garage Stop Light  
Bar-Graph Voltmeter  
Delayed-Action Windshield Wiper Control  
Slow-Sweep Wiper Control  
Automotive Lights On Warning

PTC Thermistor Automotive Temperature Indicator  
Road Ice Alarm  
Headlight Dimmer  
Ice Formation Alarm  
Delay Circuits for Headlights  
Ignition Timing Light  
Digi-Tach  
Car-Wiper Control  
Automatic Headlight Dimmer

## INTERMITTENT WINDSHIELD WIPER WITH DYNAMIC BRAKING



MOTOROLA

Fig. 7-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides a delayed windshield wiping, and dynamic braking of wiper blades when they reach the rest position. This prevents the blades from overshooting, which might cause them to stop at a point where they interfere with the drivers' vision.

With the original wiper switch off, switch S1A turns on the delay circuit and S1B disconnects the original automotive wiring. When S1 is turned off, the original wiring controls the system and the delay circuit is bypassed.

Turning S1 on applies the +12-V battery to U1 which is a voltage doubler that produces +18 V. This higher voltage supply is necessary to ensure reliable turn on of Q1 by multivibrator U2. This arrangement provides about +18 V to the gate of Q1, whose source is +12 V minus the  $V_{DS}$  drop of Q1.

Q1 remains on for a time determined by the WIPES potentiometer. The interval between wipes is controlled by the PAUSE control. When C1 drops below +4 V, U2 fires, turning Q1 on and restarting the cycle.

## IMMOBILIZER

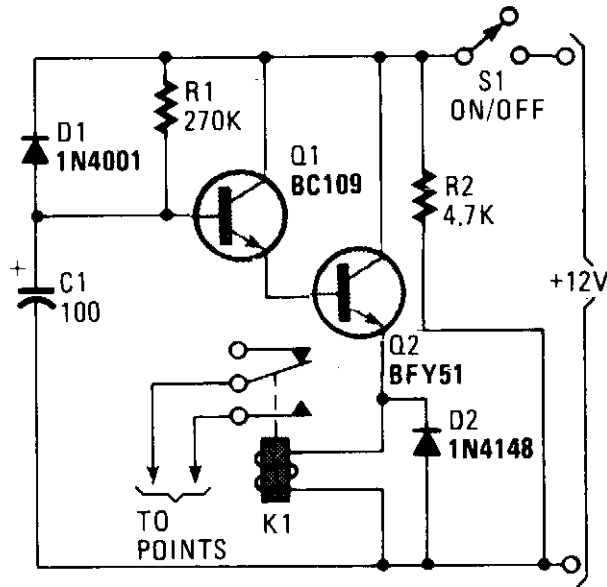


Fig. 7-2

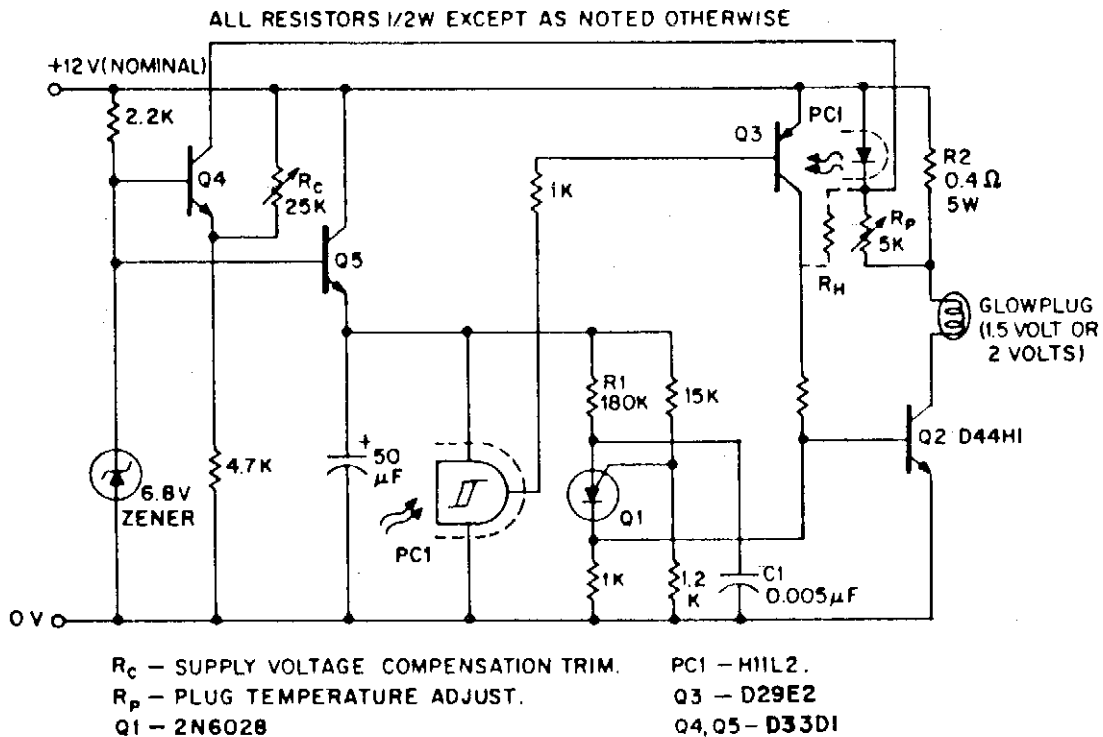
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

### Circuit Notes

A flip of S1 puts the circuit into action. Power for the circuit is picked up from the ignition switch, and the circuit receives no power until the ignition switch is closed. When power is turned on, capacitor C1 is not charged and the emitter-follower Darlington pair (formed by Q1 and Q2) are cutoff, thus no power is applied to the relay (K1), which serves as Q1's emitter load. The relay's normally-open contacts are connected across the vehicle's points. (At this time, the relay contacts are open and have no effect on the ignition system). C1 charges by way of R1, causing the voltage at the base of Q1 to rise steadily. That creates a similar rise in the voltage at the emitter of Q2. A Darlington pair is used to provide a high input-impedance, buffer stage so that the voltage across C2 is free to rise almost to the full supply potential. Loading effects do not limit the charge potential to just a few volts. Eventually, the voltage applied to the relay becomes sufficient to activate it. The contacts close and short out the points. The ignition system now doesn't act properly and the vehicle is disabled. If the ignition is switched off, power is removed from the circuit and diode D1, which was previously reverse-biased, is now forward biased by the charge on C1. D1 allows C1 to rapidly discharge through R2 (and any other dc paths across the supply lines). The circuit is ready to operate when the ignition is again turned on. The engine will operate, but not for very long. The values of R1 and C1 provides a delay of about 25 to 30 seconds. Increase R1's value to provide a longer delay.



## GLOW PLUG DRIVER



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 7-4

### Circuit Notes

Model airplanes, boats, and cars use glow plug ignitions for their miniature (0.8cc to 15cc) internal combustion engines. Such engines dispense with the heavy on-board batteries, H.T. coil, and "condenser" required for conventional spark ignition, while simultaneously developing much higher RPM (hence power) than the compression ignition (diesel) motors. The heart of a glow plug is a platinum alloy coil heated to incandescence for engine starting by an external battery, either 1.5 volts or 2 volts. Supplementing this battery, a second 12-volt power supply is frequently required for the engine starter, together with a third 6 volt type for the electrical fuel pump.

Rather than being burdened by all these multiple energy sources, the model builder would prefer to carry (and buy) a single 12-volt battery, deriving the lower voltages from this by use of suitable electronic step-down transformers (choppers). The glow driver illustrated does this and offers the additional benefit of (through negative feedback) maintaining constant plug temperature independent of engine flooding, or battery voltage while the starter is cranking.

In this circuit, the PUT relaxation oscillator Q1 turns on the output chopper transistor Q2 at a fixed repetition rate determined by R1 and C1. Current then flows through the glow plug and the parallel combination of the current sense resistor R2 and the LED associated with the H11L Schmitt trigger. With the plug cold (low resistance), current

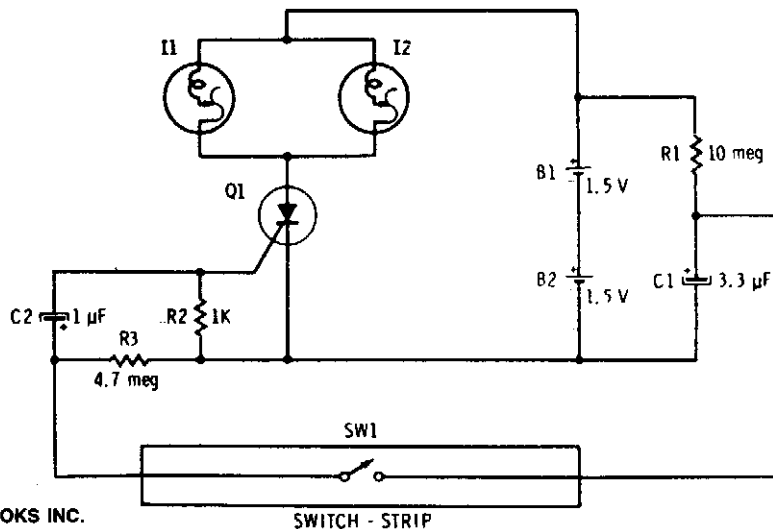


is high, the H11L is biased "on", and Q3 conducts to sustain base drive to Q2. Once the plug has attained optimum operating temperature, which can be monitored by its ohmic resistance, the H11L is programmed (via  $R_p$ ) to switch off, removing base drive from Q3 and Q2.

However, since the H11L senses glow plug current, not resistance, this is only valid if supply voltage is constant, which is not always the case. Transistor Q4 provides suitable compensation in this case; if battery voltage falls (during cold cranking, for instance), the collector current of Q4 rises, causing additional current to flow through the LED, thus delaying the switch-off point for a given plug current. The circuit holds plug temperature relatively constant, with the plug either completely dry or thoroughly "wet", over an input voltage range of 8 to 16 volts. A similar configuration can be employed to maintain constant temperature for a full size truck diesel glow plug (28-volts supply, 12-volts glow plug); in this case, since plug temperature excursions are not so great, a hysteresis expansion resistor  $R_H$  may be required.

Fig. 7-4 Continued

### GARAGE STOP LIGHT



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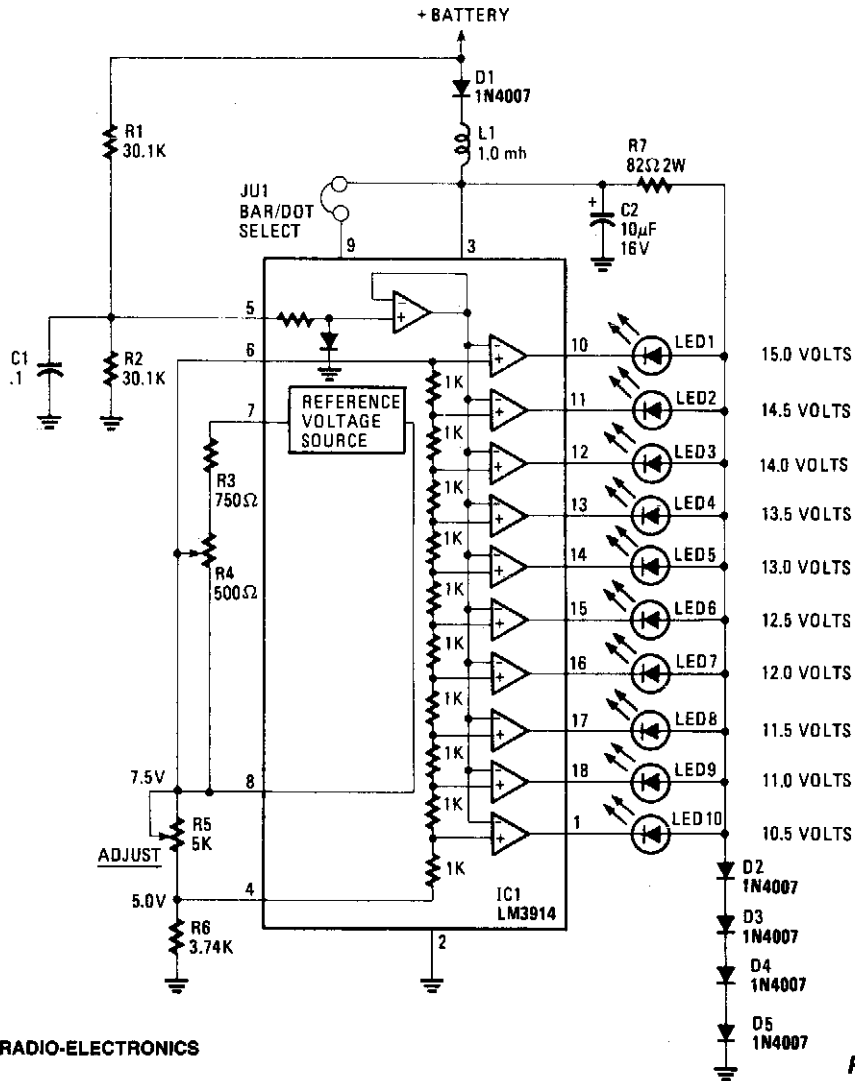
SWITCH - STRIP

Fig. 7-5

### Circuit Notes

Capacitor C1 is permanently connected across the 3-volt supply through 10 megohm resistor R1. The capacitor charges (relatively slowly) to 3 volts. The instant switch SW1 is closed, it connects the charged capacitor (C1) in series with C2 and R2. Capacitor C2 starts to charge, placing a positive-going voltage on the gate of the SCR and causing it to turn on. The two parallel-connected "self-flashing" bulbs I1 and I2 turn on. They flash and turn off the SCR and the circuit is off until car is driven off the switch and C1 can recharge.

## BAR-GRAPH VOLTMETER



**Fig. 7-6**

### Circuit Notes

This display uses ten LED's to display a voltage range from 10.5 to 15 volts. Each LED represents a 0.5-volt step in voltage. The heart of the circuit is the LM-3914 dot/bar display driver. Trimmer potentiometer R5 is adjusted so that 7.5 volts is applied to the top side of the divider. Resistor R7 and diodes D2 through D5 clamp the voltage applied to the LED's to about 3 volts. A lowpass filter made up of L1 and C2 guards against voltage spikes. Diode D1 is used to protect against reverse voltage in case the voltmeter is hooked up backward.

### DELAYED-ACTION WINDSHIELD WIPER CONTROL

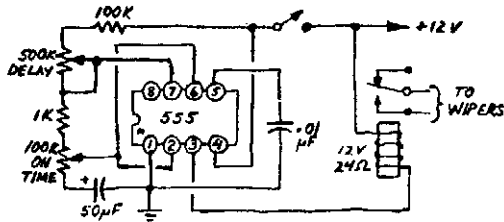
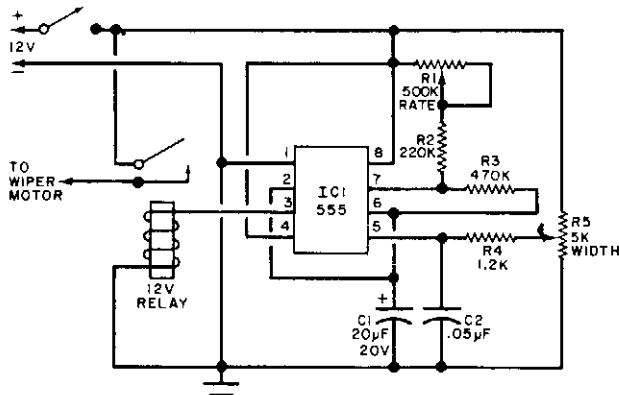


Fig. 7-7

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### SLOW-SWEEP WIPER CONTROL



#### Circuit Notes

The relay which applies power to the wiper motor is actuated at periodic intervals by the timer circuit, closing the wiper motor contacts. Potentiometer R1 serves as the pulse rate control and potentiometer R5 as the pulse width control. These two controls should be adjusted for optimum performance after the unit is installed in a car.

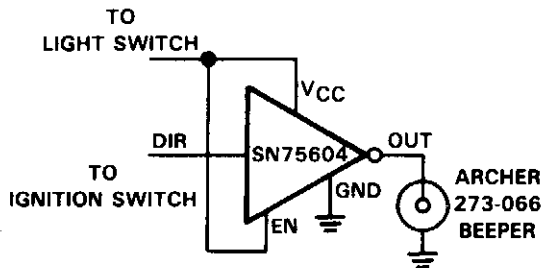
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Fig. 7-8

### AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTS ON WARNING

#### Circuit Notes

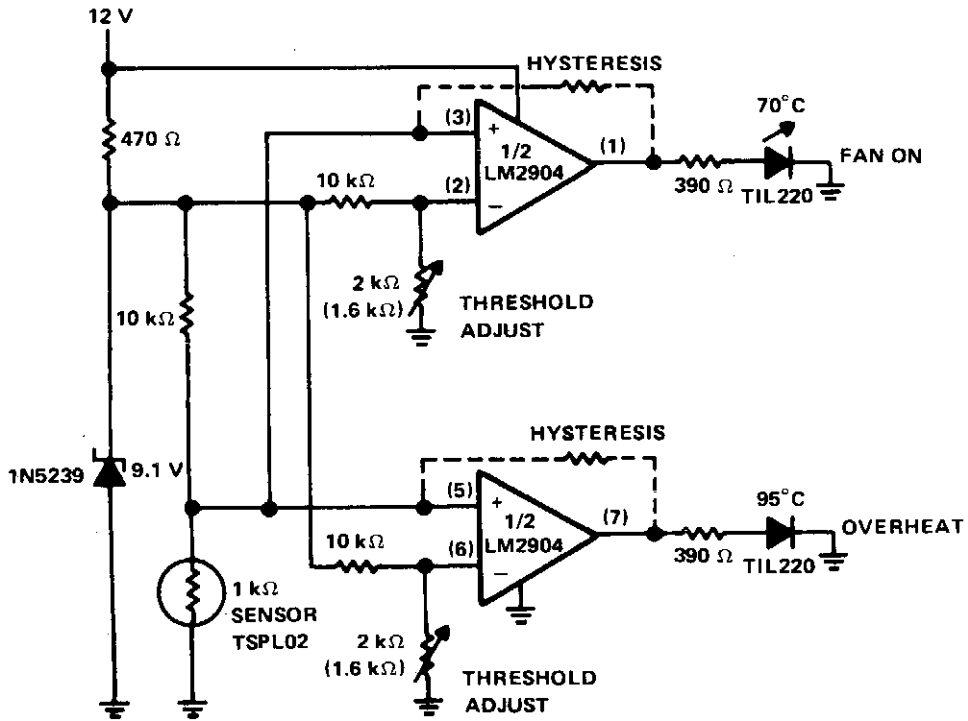
The SN75604, with input control logic but requiring only one supply rail, can be used in the "lights on" sensor and alarm driver. The device  $V_{CC}$  and enable inputs are connected to a voltage lead from the light switch. The direction control input is connected to a lead from the ignition switch. Only operation of the lights without the ignition will result in the alarm sounding. The beeper used in this application is an Archer 273-066 that will operate from 3 V to 28 V. At a typical 12 V level, it will produce a pulsating tone of about 95 dB at 30 cm. The alarm "on" current is about 12 mA when operating from a 12 V supply.



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 7-9

## PTC THERMISTOR AUTOMOTIVE TEMPERATURE INDICATOR



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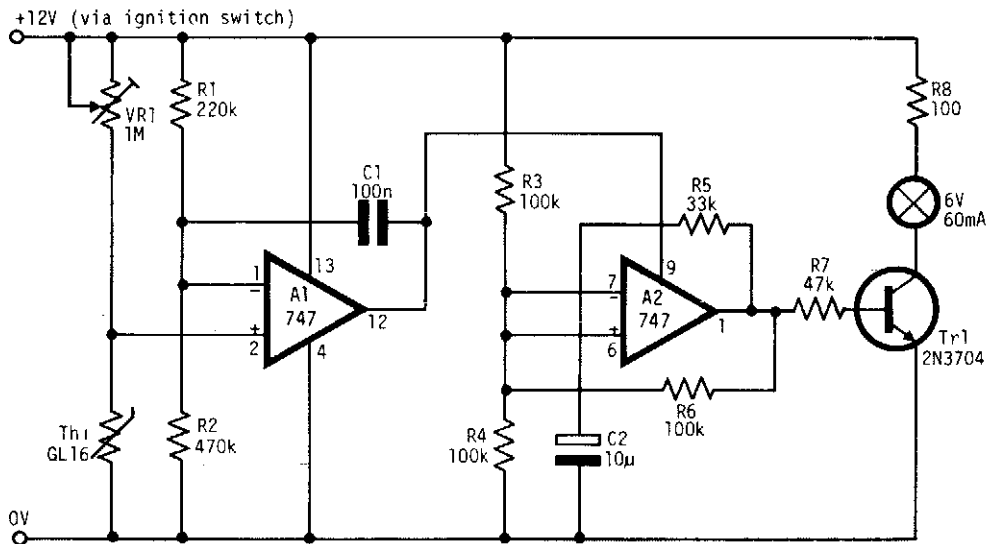
Fig. 7-10

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is used to indicate two different water temperature trip points by turning on LEDs when the temperatures are reached. The circuit is constructed around the LM2904 dual operational amplifier powered from the 12 V auto system. The thermistor is in series with a 10 k $\Omega$  resistor from ground to the positive 9.1 V point. The top of the thermistor is tied to both non-inverting inputs of the LM2904. The voltage at these inputs will change as the thermistor resistance changes with temperature. Each inverting input on the LM2904 has a reference, or threshold trip point, set by a 10 k $\Omega$  resistor and a 2 k $\Omega$  potentiometer in series across the 9.1 V regulated voltage. When this threshold is exceeded on the non-inverting input of LM2904, the TIL220 LED lights. The two trip points can be recalibrated or set to trip at different temperatures by adjusting the 2 k $\Omega$  potentiometer in each section. In addition to being used as warning lights as shown here, circuits can be added to turn on the fan motor or activate a relay.



## ICE FORMATION ALARM



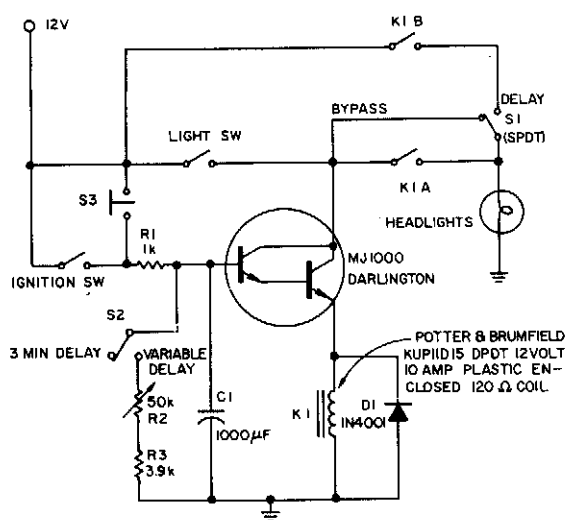
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Fig. 7-13

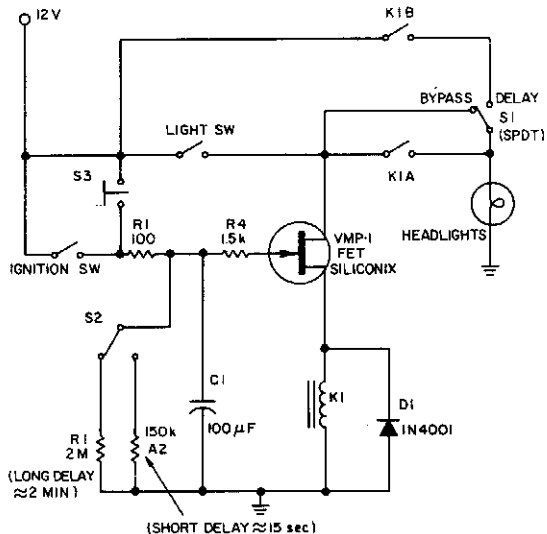
### Circuit Notes

The circuit warns car drivers when the air temperature close to the ground approaches  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ , thereby indicating possible formation of ice on the road surface. Op amp A1 is wired as a voltage level sensor. Op amp A2 is wired as an astable multivibrator which, by means of current buffer Tr1, flashes a filament lamp at about 1 Hz. As air temperature falls, a point is reached when the voltage at pin 2 just rises above the voltage at pin 1. The output of A1 is immediately driven into positive saturation, since it is operated open-loop. This positive output voltage powers A2 through its V + connection on pin 9, starting the oscillator. The thermistor is a glass bead type with a resistance of about  $20\text{ M}\Omega$  at  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . VR1 is adjusted so that the lamp starts flashing when the air temperature is 1 to  $2^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## DELAY CIRCUITS FOR HEADLIGHTS



1. Automobile headlights may be kept on up to 3 minutes after you leave the car with this Darlington time-delay circuit.



2. A FET version of the delay circuit allows the use of a smaller timing capacitor,  $C_1$ , for a given delay, and almost instantaneous reset with  $S_3$ ; the Darlington circuit needs almost 2 s.

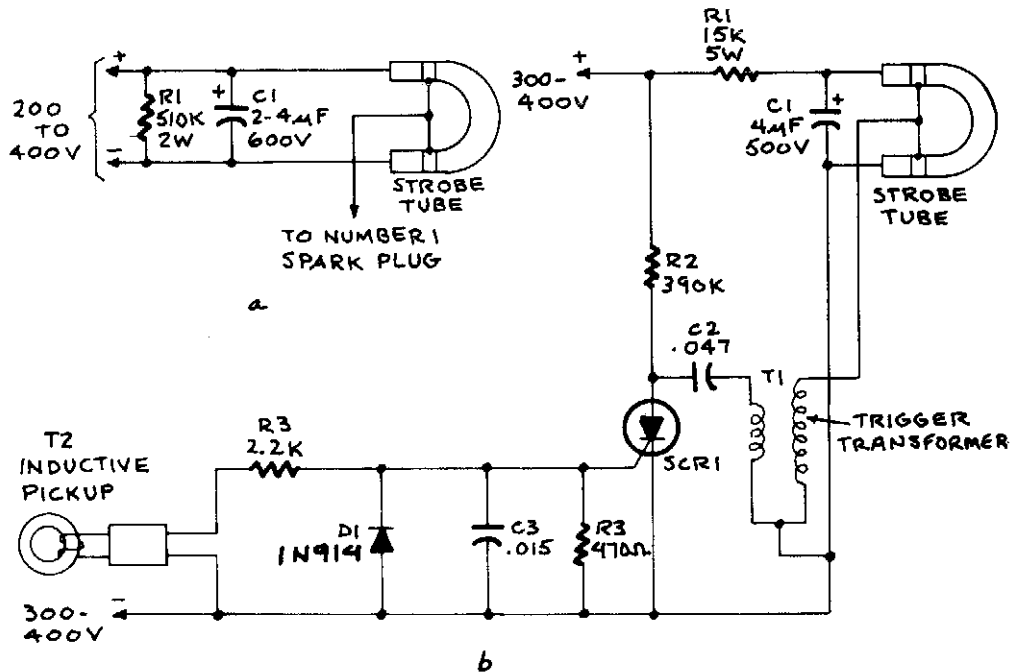
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Fig. 7-14

### Circuit Notes

This circuit keeps an automobile's headlights on temporarily. It also will turn the lights off, even if you forget to flip the light switch. The circuit's shut-off delay is actuated only after both the ignition and light switches have been on, and only if the ignition switch is turned off first. If the light switch is turned off first, no delay results. Parking and brake-light operation is not affected. The maximum time out can be up to 3 minutes in part 1 and hours with the circuit in part 2, depending on the relay selected and the value of  $R_2$ . A switch  $S_2$  can be used to permit selection of either a short or long delay. Momentary switch  $S_3$  can restart circuit timing before the time-out is completed. A bypass switch,  $S_1$  removes the delay action.

## IGNITION TIMING LIGHT



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Fig. 7-15

### Circuit Notes

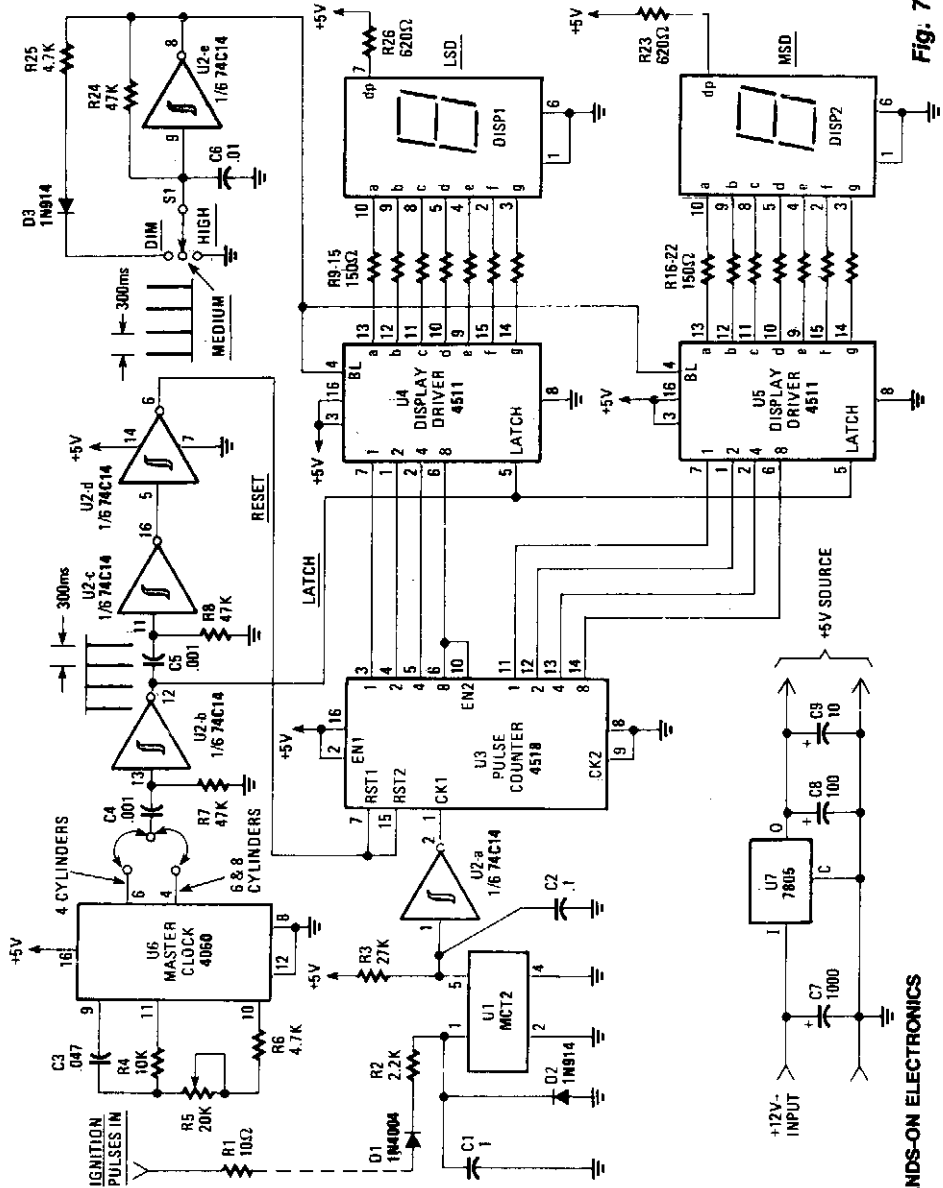
Figure A shows the circuit of a direct-trigger timing light. The trigger voltage is taken from the car's ignition circuit by a direct connection to a spark plug. A circuit using an inductive pickup is shown in Fig. B. A trigger transformer is used to develop the high-voltage pulse for triggering. The triggering circuit consists of T1, C1, SCR1, inductive pickup coil T2, and the waveshaping components in the SCR's gate circuit.

When the spark plug fires, it induces a pulse in pickup coil T2 that triggers the SCR gate. The SCR fires and discharges C2 through the primary of T1. The secondary of T1 feeds a high-voltage pulse to the trigger electrode of the flash tube. That pulse causes the gas—usually neon or xenon—to ionize. The ionized gas provides a low-resistance path for C1 to discharge, thereby creating a brilliant flash of light.

Resistor R1 limits current from the supply as the tube fires. When C1 is fully discharged the strobe tube cuts off and returns to its "high-resistance" state. The current through R2 is not enough to sustain conduction through SCR1, so it cuts off and remains off until it is re-triggered by a gate pulse.



# DIGI-TACH



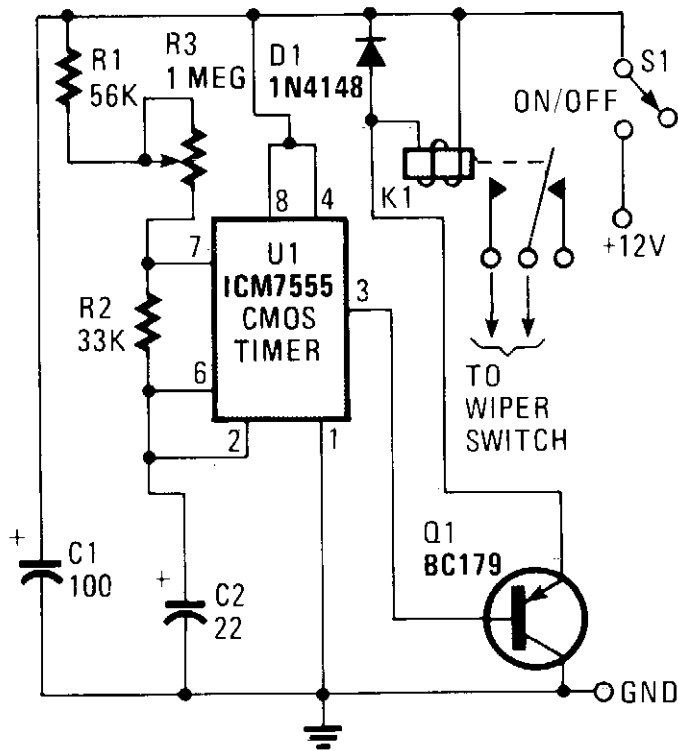
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

## Circuit Notes

The Digi-Tach contains a master-clock circuits (U6), latch and reset pulse generators (U2-b-U2-d), input signal conditioner (U1, U2-a), pulse counter (U3), display and display drivers (DIS1, DIS2, U4, and U5), and a voltage regulator (U7). As an added feature, Digi-Tach contains a dimmer circuit (U2-e).

Fig. 7-16

## CAR-WIPER CONTROL



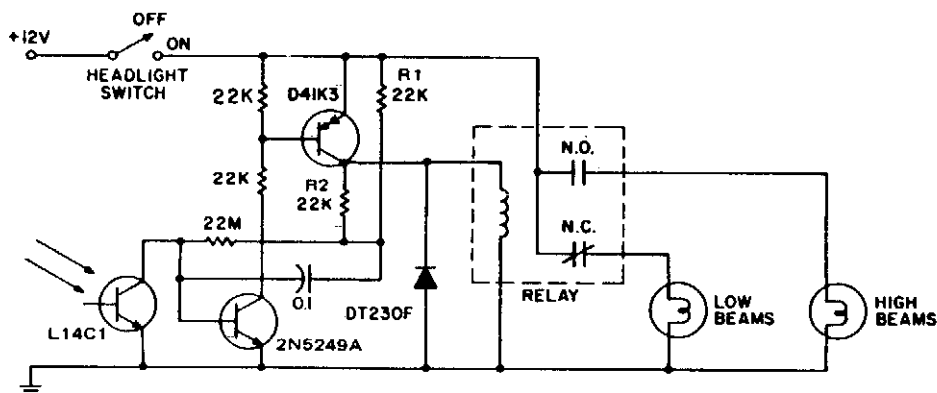
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 7-17

### Circuit Notes

U1 is configured to operate in the standard astable mode, providing a form of relaxation oscillator. When power is applied, C2 initially charges through R1, R2 and R3 to two-thirds of the supply voltage. At that point, U1 senses that its threshold voltage at pin 6 has been reached, and triggers the timer, causing its output at pin 3 to go high. That high, applied to the base of Q1, keeps the transistor in the off state. Now C2 begins to discharge through R2 to pin 7 of U1. When C2 has discharged to about one-third of the supply voltage, U1 is toggled back to its original state. C2 starts to charge again, as pin 3 of U1 goes low. The low at pin 3 causes Q1—which serves as an emitter-follower buffer stage—to turn on, allowing current to flow through the coil of relay K1. That, in turn, causes K1's contacts to close, applying power to the wipers. The charge time of capacitor C2 is determined by the setting of potentiometer R3. Capacitor C2 should be a tantalum type, and actually, almost any 12-volt coil relay with sufficiently heavy contacts should serve well.

## AUTOMATIC HEADLIGHT DIMMER



**RELAY:** 12V, 0.3A COIL: 20A, FORM C, CONTACTS OR SOLID-STATE SWITCHING OF 16A STEADY-STATE 150A COLD FILAMENT SURGE, RATING.

**LENS:** MINIMUM 1" DIAMETER, POSITIONED FOR ABOUT 10° VIEW ANGLE.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 7-18

### Circuit Notes

This circuit switches car headlights to the low beam state when it senses the lights of an on-coming car. The received light is very low level and highly directional, indicating the use of a lens with the detector. A relatively large amount of hysteresis is built into the circuit to prevent "flashing lights." Sensitivity is set by the 22 megohm resistor to about 0.5 ft. candle at the transistor (0.01 at the lens), while hysteresis is determined by the R1, R2 resistor voltage divider, parallel to the D41K3 collector emitter, which drives the 22 megohm resistor; maximum switching rate is limited by the 0.1  $\mu$ F capacitor to 15/minute.

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# Battery Chargers and Zappers

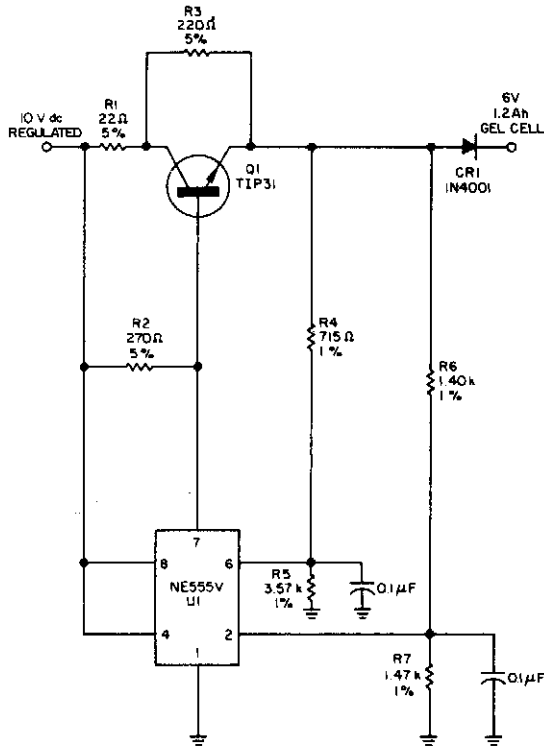
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Rapid Battery Charger for ICOM IC-2A  
Gel Cell Charger  
Ni-Cad Battery Zapper  
Lithium Battery Charger  
Thermally Controlled Ni-Cad Charger  
Ni-Cad Battery Zapper II  
Battery Charger  
Wind Powered Battery Charger  
Battery Charger Operates On Single Solar Cell  
Versatile Battery Charger  
14-Volt, 4-Amp Battery Charger/Power Supply



## GEL CELL CHARGER



### Circuit Notes

This circuit detects a full-charge state and automatically switches to a float condition—from 240 mA to 12 mA.

Fig. 8-2

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

## Ni-CAD BATTERY ZAPPER

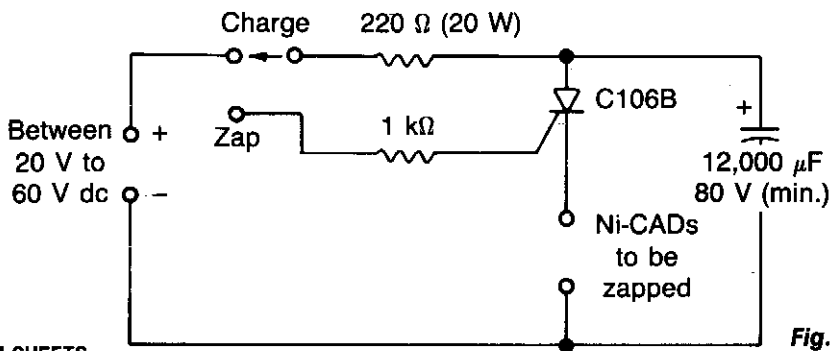


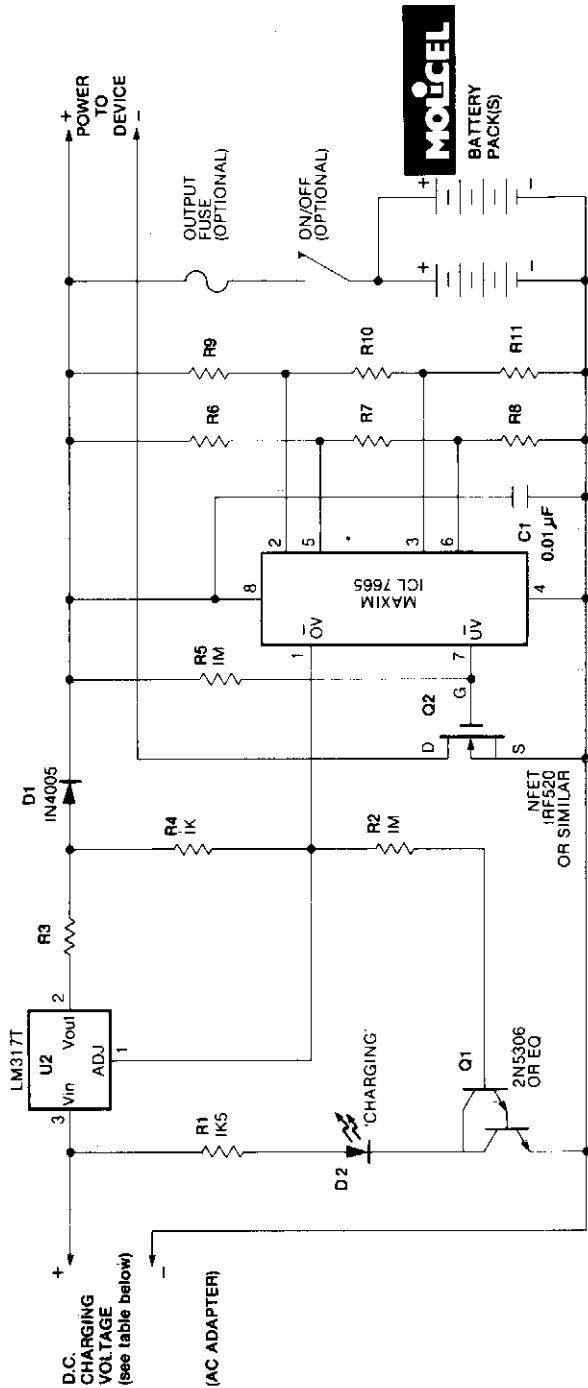
Fig. 8-3

WILLIAM SHEETS

### Circuit Notes

The short in a Ni-Cad battery can be "burned off" with this zapper. Use of the SCR keeps heavy discharge current from damaging switch contacts.

## LITHIUM BATTERY CHARGER



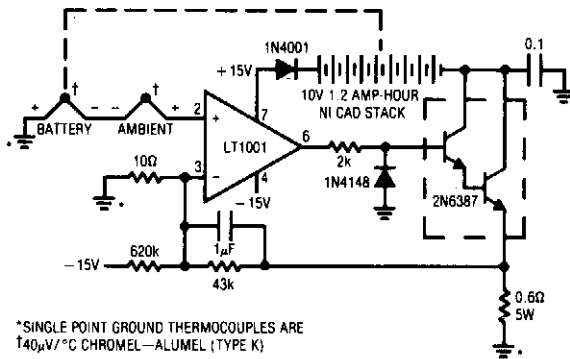
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Fig. 8-4

### Circuit Notes

Charging is accomplished with a constant current of 60 mA for AA cells to a cutoff voltage of 2.4 V per cell at which point the charge must be terminated. The charging system shown is designed for multi-cell battery packs of 2 to 6 series-connected cells or series/parallel arrangements. It is essential that all cells assembled in the pack be at an identical state-of-charge (voltage) prior to charging. The maximum upper cut-off voltage is 15.6 volts ( $6 \times 2.6$  V).

## THERMALLY CONTROLLED NI-CAD CHARGER



\*SINGLE POINT GROUND THERMOCOUPLES ARE  
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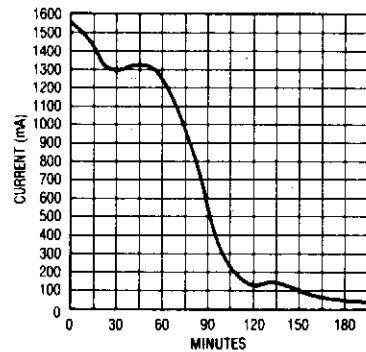
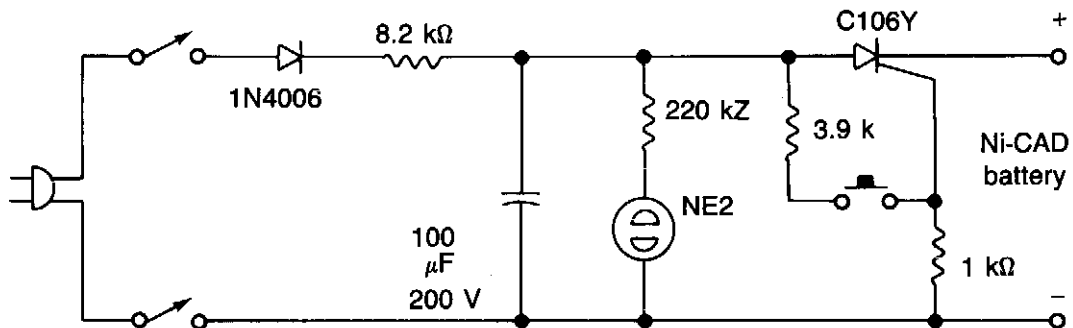


Fig. 8-5

### Circuit Notes

One way to charge Ni-Cad batteries rapidly without abuse is to measure cell temperature and taper the charge accordingly. The circuit uses a thermocouple for this function. A second thermocouple nulls out the effects of ambient temperature. The temperature difference between the two thermocouples determines the voltage which appears at the amplifier's positive input. As battery temperature rises, this small negative voltage ( $1^\circ\text{C}$  difference between the thermocouples equals  $40\mu\text{V}$ ) becomes larger. The amplifier, operating at a gain of 4300, gradually reduces the current through the battery to maintain its inputs at balance. The battery charges at a high rate until heating occurs and the circuit then tapers the charge. The values given in the circuit limit the battery surface temperature rise over ambient to about  $5^\circ\text{C}$ .

## NI-CAD BATTERY ZAPPER II



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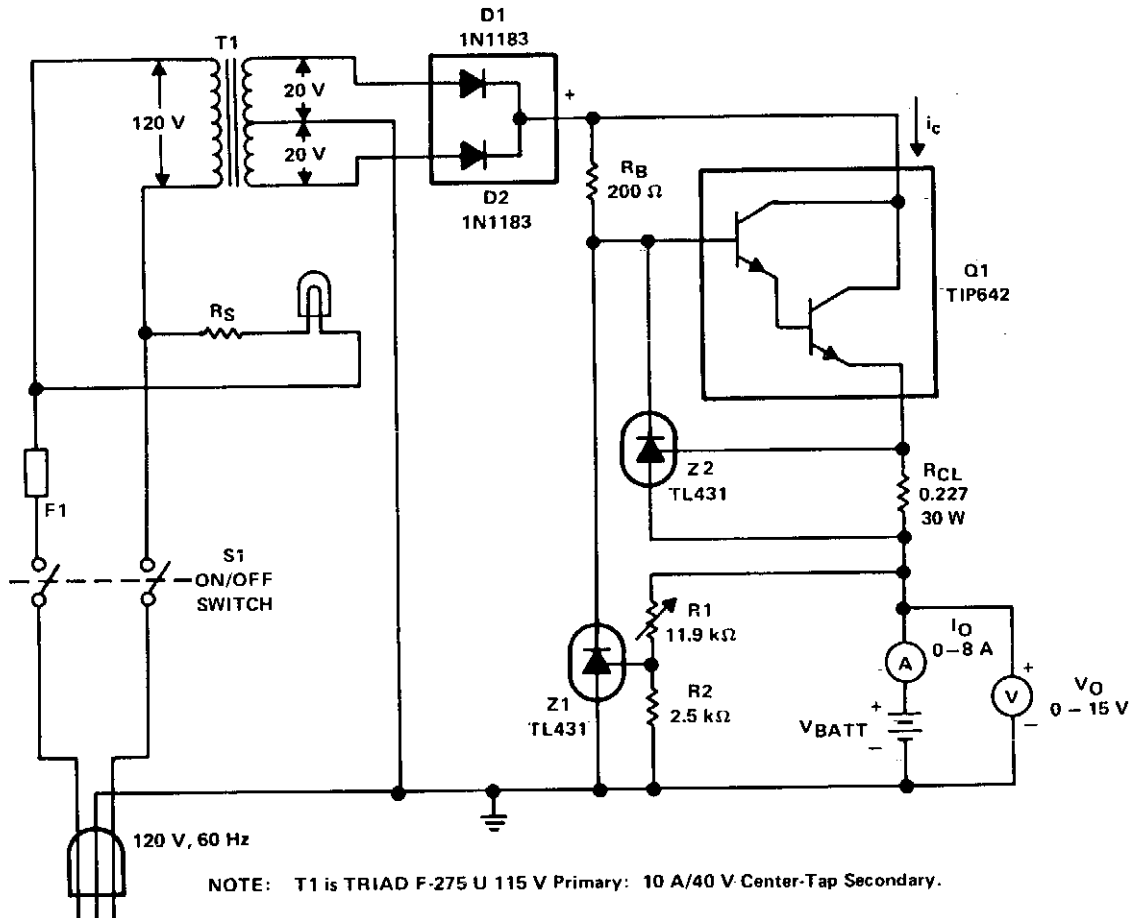
Fig. 8-6

### Circuit Notes

This zapper clears internal short in nickel cadmium batteries by burning it away. **CAUTION:** The negative battery terminal is connected to one side of the ac line. For safety operation use a 1:1 isolation transformer.



## BATTERY CHARGER



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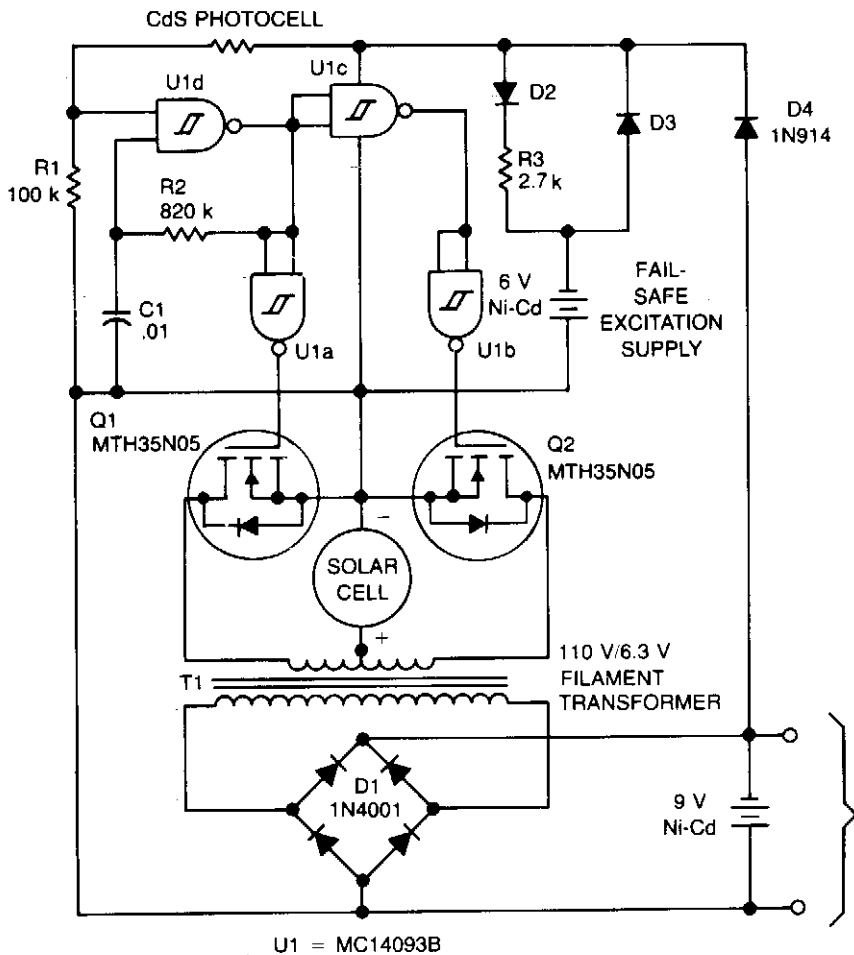
Fig. 8-7

### Circuit Notes

The charger is based on a charging voltage of 2.4 V per cell, in accordance with most manufacturers' recommendations. The circuit pulses the battery under charge with 14.4 V (6 cells  $\times$  2.4 V per cell) at a rate of 120 Hz. The design provides current limiting to protect the charger's internal components while limiting the charging rate to prevent damaging severely discharged lead-acid batteries. The maximum recommended charging current is normally about one-fourth the ampere-hour rating of the battery. For example, the maximum charging current for an average 44 ampere-hour battery is 11 A. If the impedance of the load requires a charging current greater than the 11 A current limit, the circuit will go into current limiting. The amplitude of the charging pulses is controlled to maintain a maximum peak charging current of 11 A (8 A average).



## BATTERY CHARGER OPERATES ON SINGLE SOLAR CELL



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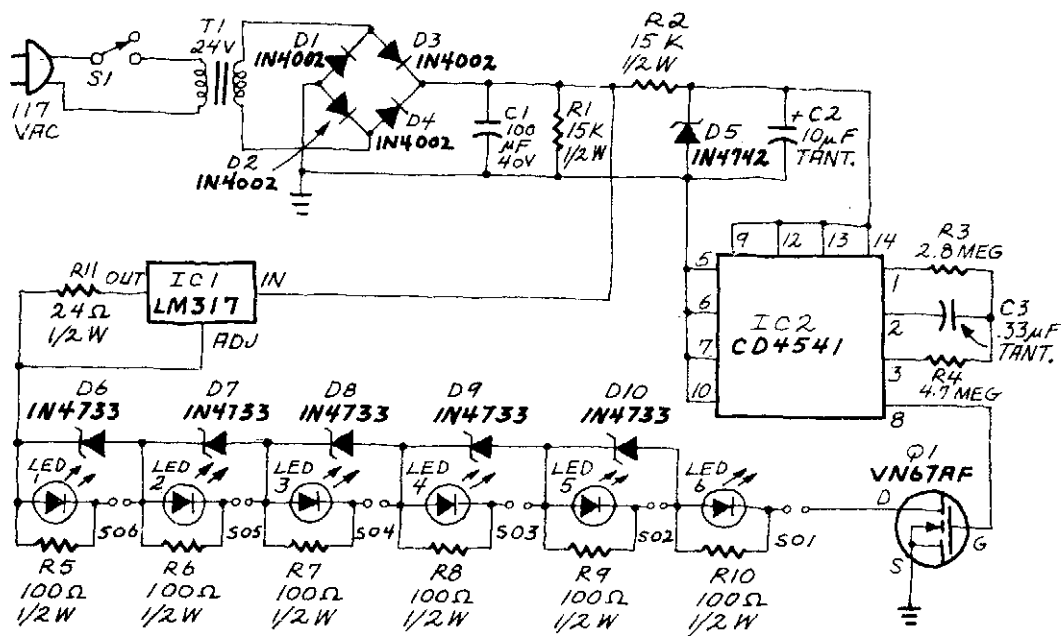
Fig. 8-9

### Circuit Notes

The circuit charges a 9-V battery at about 30 mA per input ampere at 0.4 V. U1, a quad Schmitt trigger, operate as an astable multivibrator to drive push-pull MOSFET devices Q1 and Q2. Power for U1 is derived from the 9-V battery via D4; power for Q1 and Q2 is supplied by the solar cell. The multivibrator frequency, determined by R2-C1, is set to 180 Hz for maximum efficiency from a 6.3-V filament transformer, T1. The secondary of the transformer is applied to a full wave bridge rectifier, D1, which is connected to the batteries being charged. The small Ni-Cad battery is a fail-safe excitation supply to allow the system to recover if the 9-V battery becomes fully discharged.

A CdS photocell shuts off the oscillator in darkness to preserve the fail-safe battery during shipping and storage, or prolonged darkness.

## VERSATILE BATTERY CHARGER



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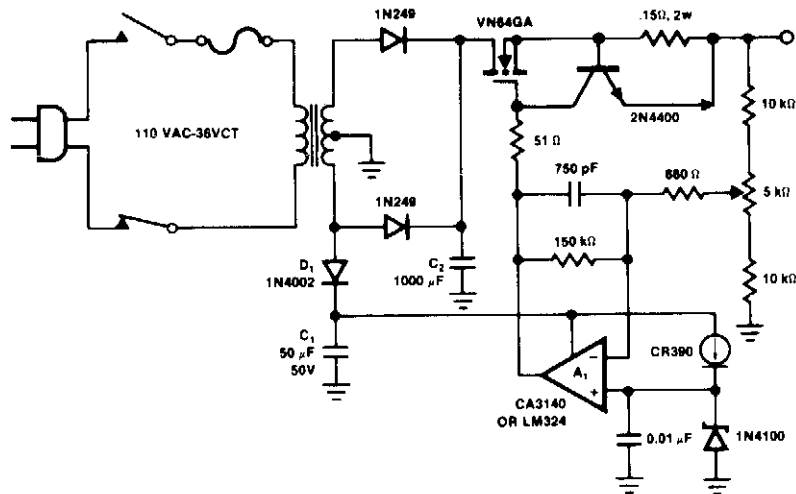
Fig. 8-10

### Circuit Notes

An LM317 voltage regulator is configured as a constant-current source. It is used to supply the 50 mA charging current to S01-S06, an array of AA-cell battery holders. Each of the battery holders is wired in series with an LED and its associated shunt resistor. When the battery holder contains a battery, the LED glows during charging. Each battery holder/LED combination is paralleled by a 5.1-volt Zener diode. If the battery holder is empty, the Zener conducts the current around the holder.

A timing circuit prevents overcharging. When power is applied to the circuit, timing is initiated by IC2, a CD4541 oscillator/programmable timer. The output of IC2 is fed to Q1. When that output is high, the transistor is on, and the charging circuit is completed. When the output is low, the transistor is off, and the path to ground is interrupted.

## 14-VOLT, 4-AMP BATTERY CHARGER/POWER SUPPLY



SILICONIX, INC.

Fig. 8-11

### Circuit Notes

Operation amplifier A1 directly drives the VN64GA with the error signal to control the output voltage. Peak rectifier D1, C1 supplies error amplifier A1 and the reference zener. This extra drive voltage must exceed its source voltage by several volts for the VN64GA to pass full load current. The output voltage is pulsating dc which is quite satisfactory for battery charging. To convert the system to a regulated dc supply, capacitor C2 is increased and another electrolytic capacitor is added across the load. The response time is very fast, being determined by the op-amp. The 2N4400 current limiter prevents the output current from exceeding 4.5 A. However, maintaining a shorted condition for more than a second will cause the VN64GA to exceed its temperature ratings. A generous heat sink, on the order of 1°C/W, must be used.

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## Battery Monitors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Dynamic, Constant Current Load for Fuel  
Cell/Battery Testing  
Voltage Detector Relay for Battery Charger  
Battery Status Indicator  
Low-Battery Indicator  
A Lithium Battery's State-of-Charge Indicator  
Step-Up Switching Regulator for 6-V Battery  
Battery Voltage Monitor  
Battery Monitor

## DYNAMIC, CONSTANT CURRENT LOAD FOR FUEL CELL/BATTERY TESTING

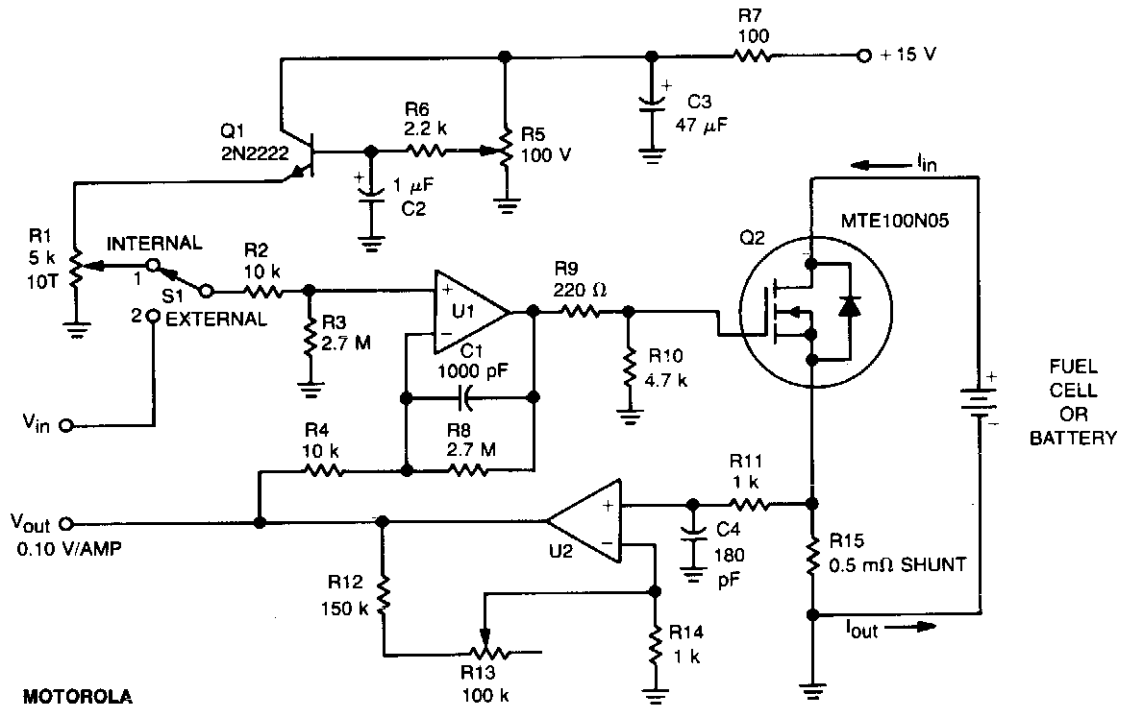


Fig. 9-1

### Circuit Notes

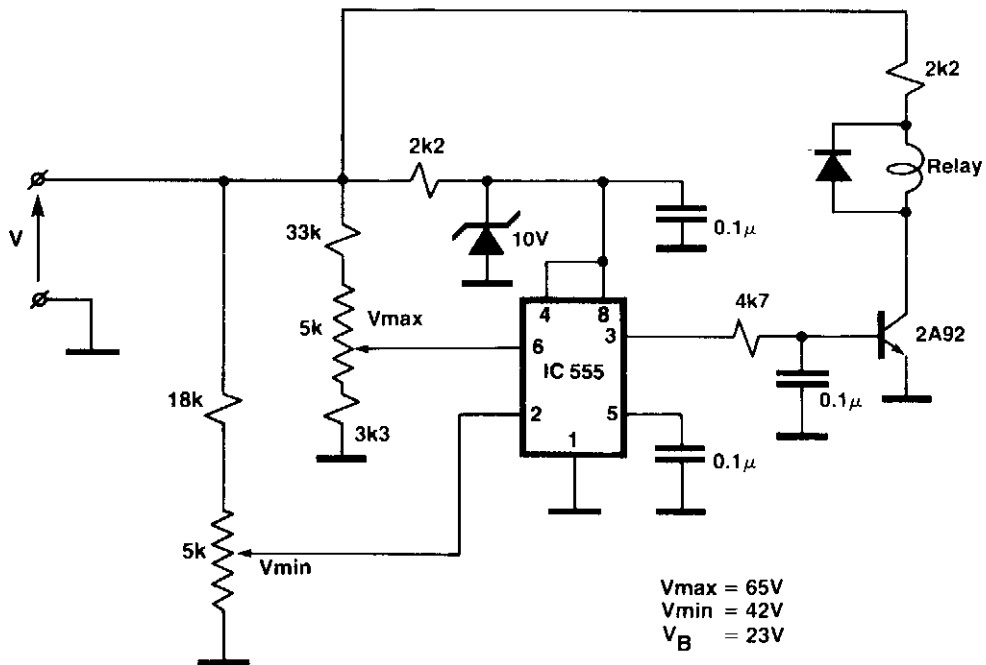
This circuit was designed for testing fuel cells, but it could also be used for testing batteries under a constant current load. It provides a dynamic, constant current load, eliminating the need to manually adjust the load to maintain a constant load.

For fuel cell application, the load must be able to absorb 20-40 A, and since a single cell develops only 0.5 to 1.0 V, bipolar power devices (such as a Darlington) are impractical. Therefore, this dynamic load was designed with a TMOS Power FET (Q2).

With switch S1 in position 1, emitter follower Q1 and R1 establish the current level for the load. In position 2, an external voltage can be applied to control the current level.

Operational amplifier U1 drives TMOS device Q1, which sets the load current seen by the fuel cell or battery. The voltage drop across R15, which is related to the load current, is then applied to U2, whose output is fed back to U1. Thus, if the voltage across R15 would tend to change, feedback to the minus input of U1 causes that voltage (and the load current) to remain constant. Adjustment of R13 controls the volts/amp of feedback. The V<sub>OUT</sub> point is used to monitor the system.

## VOLTAGE DETECTOR RELAY FOR BATTERY CHARGER



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*Fig. 9-2*

### Circuit Notes

While the battery is being charged, its voltage is measured at V. If the measured voltage is lower than the minimum the relay will be energized, that will connect the charger circuit. When the battery voltage runs over the maximum set point, the relay is deenergized and it will be held that way until the voltage decreases below the minimum when it will be connected again. The voltage is lower than a threshold  $V_B$  (low breaking voltage) the relay will be assumed that such a low voltage is due to one or several damaged battery components. Of course  $V_B$  is much lower than the minimum set point.



### BATTERY STATUS INDICATOR

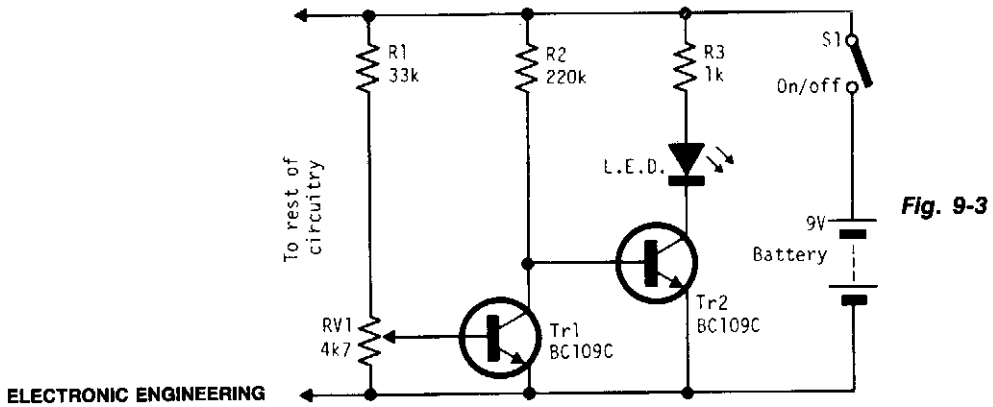


Fig. 9-3

#### Circuit Notes

Continually monitors battery voltage during use and consumes only about 250  $\mu$ A (until the end point is reached). Near the end point Tr1 turns off, allowing Tr2 to illuminate the LED to increase current drain further leading to a distinct turn off point.

### LOW-BATTERY INDICATOR

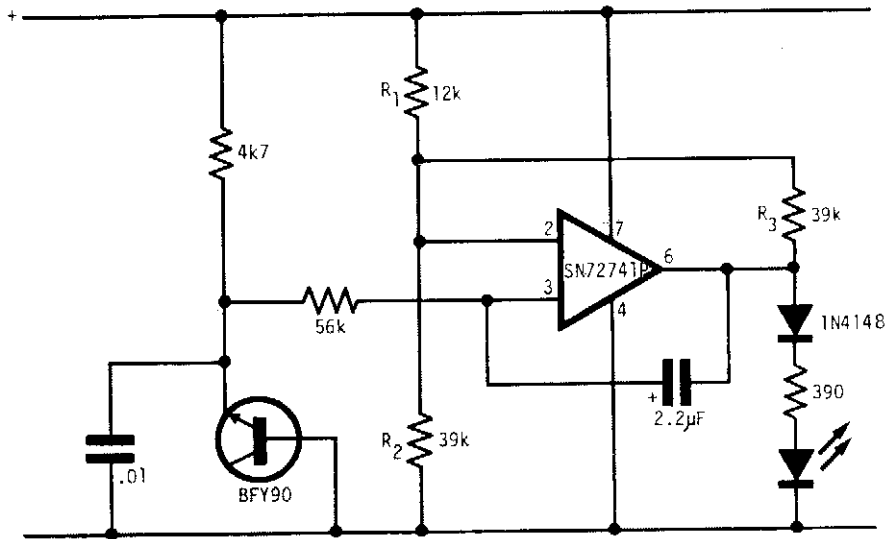


Fig. 9-4

#### Circuit Notes

Under good battery conditions the LED is off. As the battery voltage falls, the LED begins to flash until, in the low battery condition, the LED lights continuously. Designed for a 9-volt battery, with the values shown the LED flashes from 7.5 to 6.5 volts.

## A LITHIUM BATTERY'S STATE-OF-CHARGE INDICATOR

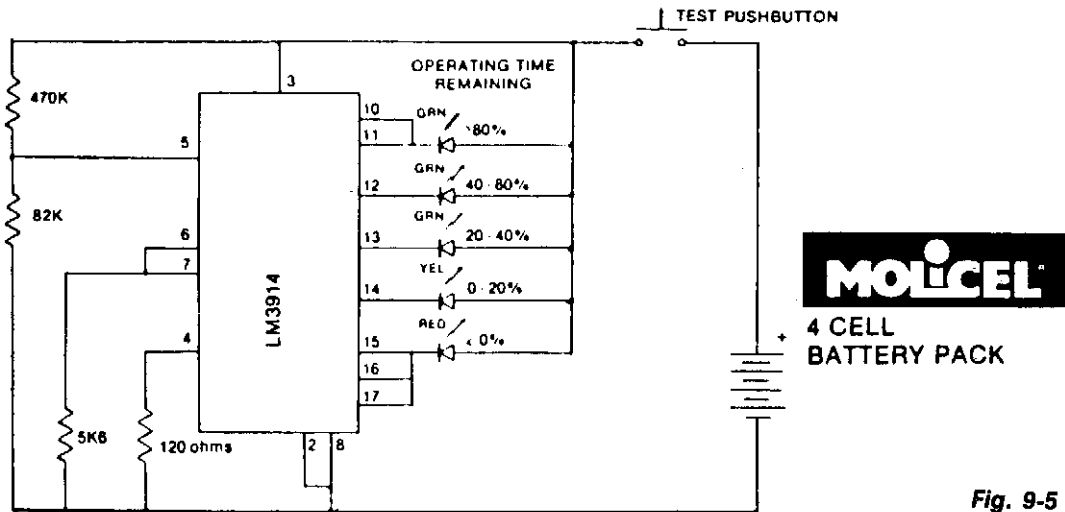


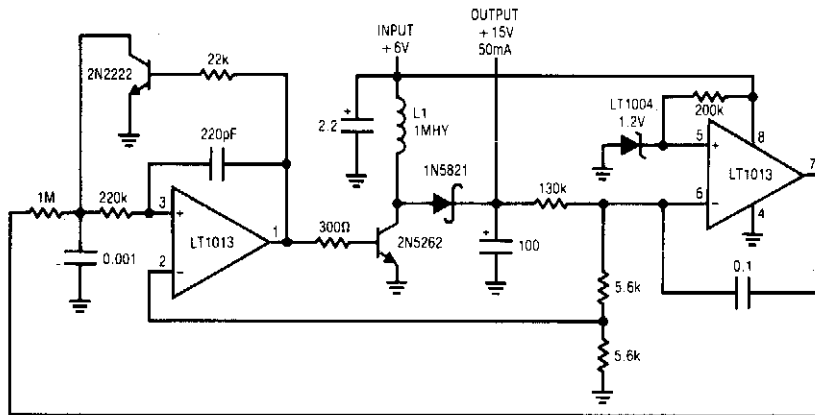
Fig. 9-5

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### Circuit Notes

State-of-Charge indication of a sloping-voltage discharge can be used as a state-of-charge indicator. A typical voltage comparator circuit that gives a visual indication of state-of-charge is shown. Components identified are for a 4-cell input voltage of 9.6 to 5.2 volts.

## STEP-UP SWITCHING REGULATOR FOR 6-V BATTERY

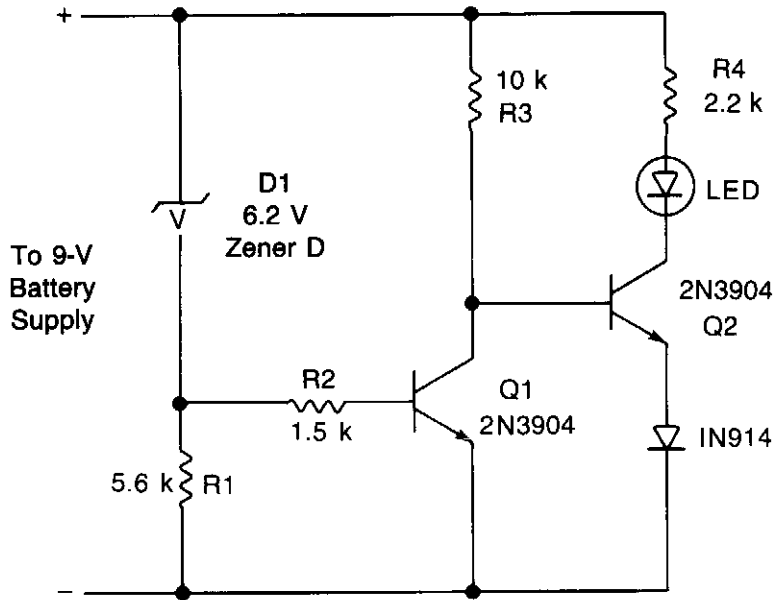


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Fig. 9-6

### BATTERY VOLTAGE MONITOR



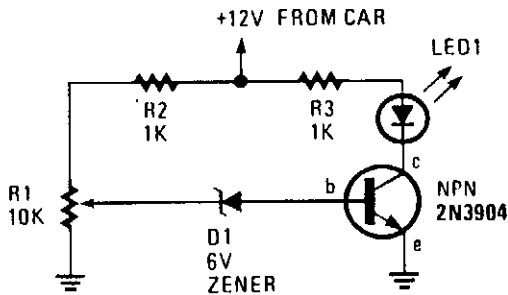
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 9-7

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit gives an early warning of the discharge of batteries. Zener diode D1 is chosen for the voltage below which an indication is required (9 V). Should the supply drop to below 7 V, D1 will cease conducting causing Q1 to shut off. Its collector voltage will now increase causing Q2 to start conducting via LED1 and its limiting resistor R4.

### BATTERY MONITOR



#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is quick and easy to put together and install, and tells you when battery voltage falls below the set limit as established by R1 (a 10,000-ohm potentiometer). It can indicate, via LED1, that the battery may be defective or in need of change if operating the starter causes the battery voltage to drop below the present limit.

TAB BOOKS, INC.

Fig. 9-8

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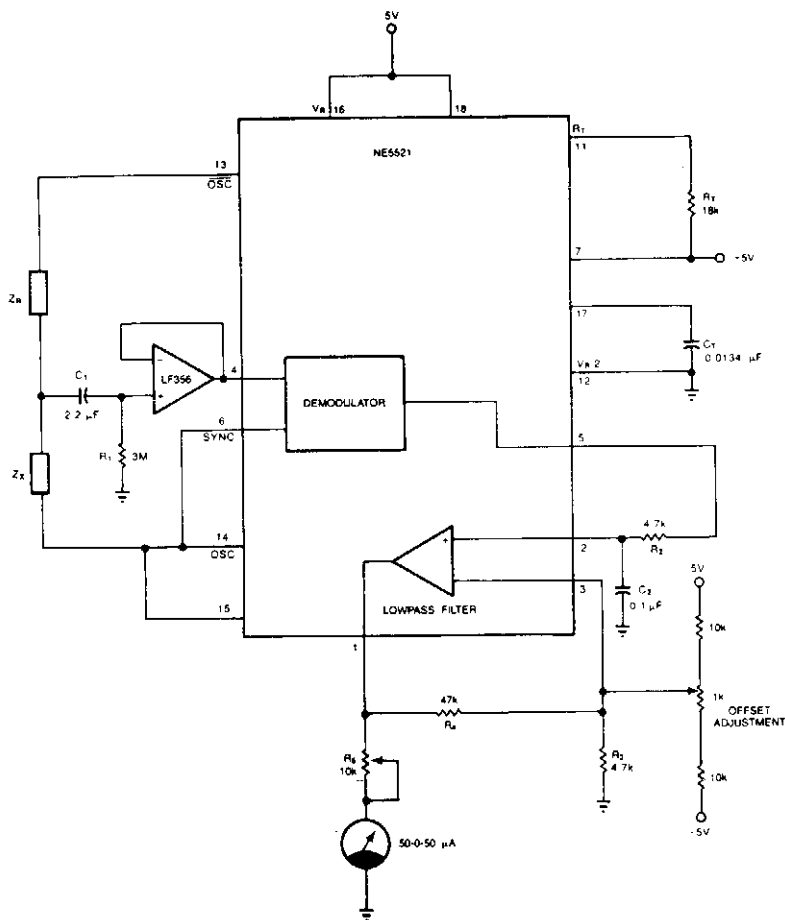
## Bridge Circuits

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Ac Bridge  
Bridge-Balance Indicator  
Bridge Circuit  
Typical Two Op Amp Bridge-Type Differential  
Amplifier  
Low-Power Common Source Amplifier  
Amplifier for Bridge Transducers  
Strain Gage Bridge Signal Conditioner

## AC BRIDGE



SIGNETICS

Fig. 10-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides a simple and cost-effective solution to matching resistors and capacitors. Impedances  $Z_R$  and  $Z_X$  form a half-bridge, while OSC and  $\bar{O}S\bar{C}$  excite the bridge differentially. The external op amp is a FET input amplifier (LF356) with very low input bias current on the order of 30 pA (typical). C1 allows ac coupling by blocking the dc common mode voltage from the bridge, while R1 biases the output of LF356 to 0 V at dc. Use of FET input op amp insures that dc offset due to bias current through R1 is negligible. Ac output of the demodulator is filtered via the uncommitted amp to provide dc voltage for the meter. The 10 k potentiometer, R5, limits the current into the meter to a safe level. Calibration begins by placing equal impedances at  $Z_R$  and  $Z_X$ , and the system offset is nulled by the offset adjust circuit so that Pin 1 is at 0 V. Next, known values are placed at  $Z_X$  and the meter deviations are calibrated. The bridge is now ready to measure an unknown impedance at  $Z_X$  with  $\pm 0.05\%$  accuracy or better.

## BRIDGE-BALANCE INDICATOR

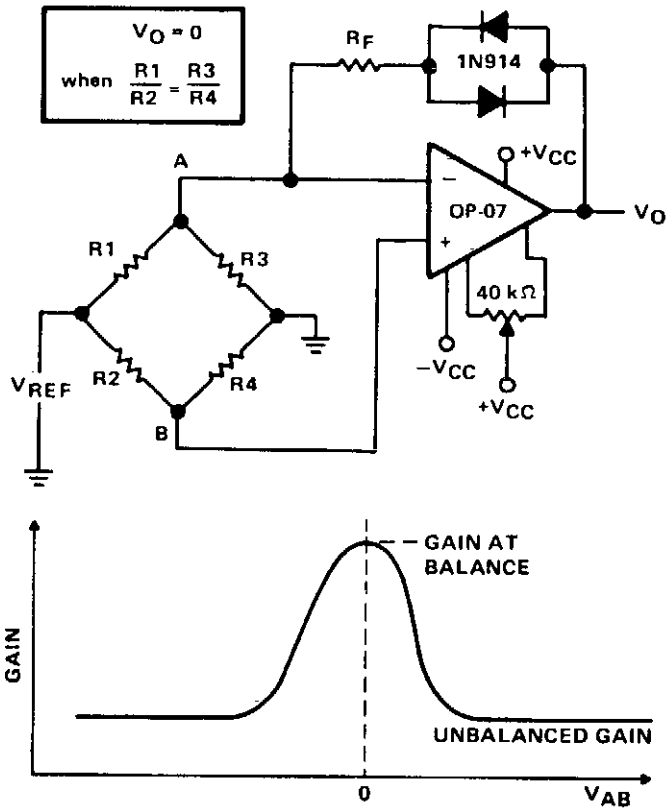


Fig. 10-2

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

### Circuit Notes

Indicator provides an accurate comparison of two voltages by indicating their degree of balance (or imbalance). Detecting small variations near the null point is difficult with the basic Wheatstone bridge alone. Amplification of voltage differences near the null point will improve circuit accuracy and ease of use.

The 1N914 diodes in the feedback loop result in high sensitivity near the point of balance ( $R_1/R_2 = R_3/R_4$ ). When the bridge is unbalanced the amplifier's closed-loop gain is approximately  $R_F/r$ , where  $r$  is the parallel equivalent of  $R_1$  and  $R_3$ . The resulting gain equation is  $G = R_F(1/R_1 + 1/R_3)$ . During an unbalanced condition the voltage at point A is different from that at point B. This difference voltage ( $V_{AB}$ ), amplified by the gain factor  $G$ , appears as an output voltage. As the bridge approaches a balanced condition ( $R_1/R_2 = R_3/R_4$ ),  $V_{AB}$  approaches zero. As  $V_{AB}$  approaches zero the 1N914 diodes in the feedback loop lose their forward bias and their resistance increases, causing the total feedback resistance to increase. This increases circuit gain and accuracy in detecting a balanced condition. The figure shows the effect of approaching balance on circuit gain. The visual indicator used at the output of the OP-07 could be a sensitive voltmeter or oscilloscope.

### BRIDGE CIRCUIT

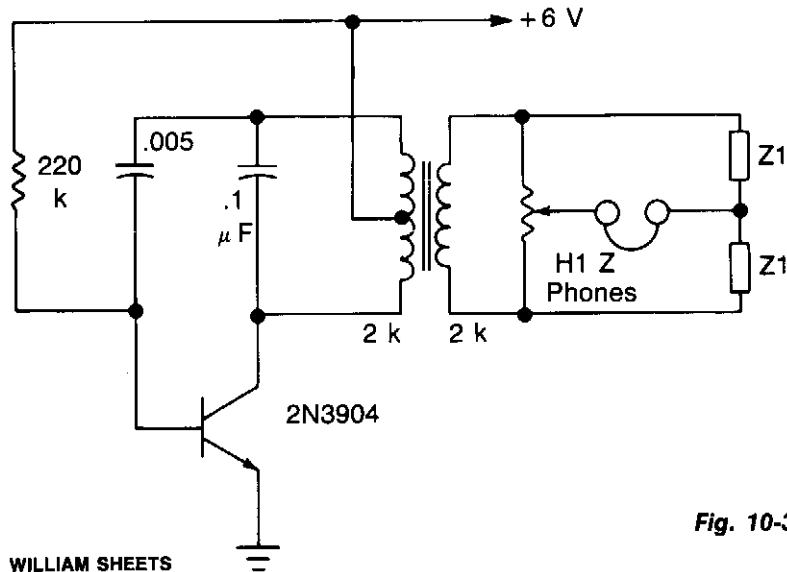


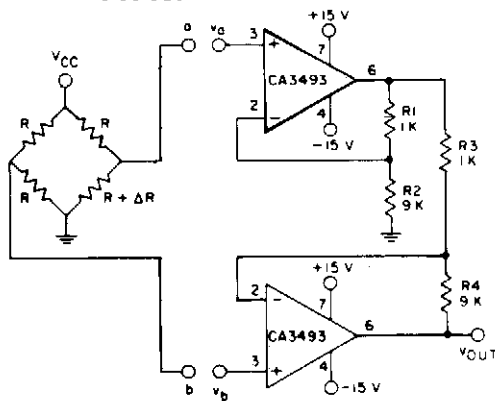
Fig. 10-3

WILLIAM SHEETS

### Circuit Notes

The transistor is connected as an audio oscillator, using an audio transformer in the collector. The secondary goes to a linear pot. The ratio between the two parts of the pot from the slider is proportional to the values of Z1 and Z2 when no signal is heard in the phones.

### TYPICAL TWO OP AMP BRIDGE-TYPE DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



### Circuit Notes

Using a CA3493 BiMOS op amp to provide high input impedance and good common-mode rejection ratio (depends primarily on matching of resistor networks).

Fig. 10-4

$$V_{OUT} = v_b - v_a \left( \frac{R_4}{R_3} + 1 \right)$$

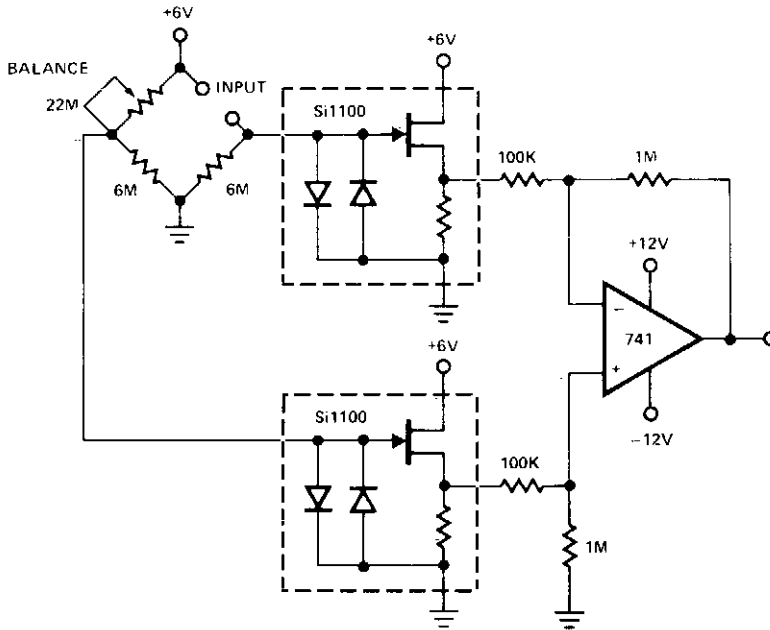
$$A = \frac{V_{OUT}}{v_b - v_a} \left( \frac{R_4}{R_3} + 1 \right)$$

FOR VALUES ABOVE  $V_{OUT} = (v_b - v_a)(10)$

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES  
ARE IN OHMS

GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

### LOW-POWER COMMON SOURCE AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 10-5

#### Circuit Notes

A circuit that will operate in the 10- to 20- microamp range at a 12-volt supply voltage. The diode protection is available in this configuration. The circuit voltage gain will be between 10 and 20, with extremely low power consumption (approximately  $250 \mu\text{W}$ ). This is very desirable for remote or battery operation where minimum maintenance is important.

### AMPLIFIER FOR BRIDGE TRANSDUCERS

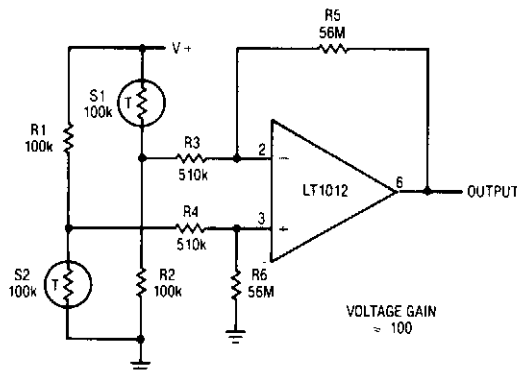
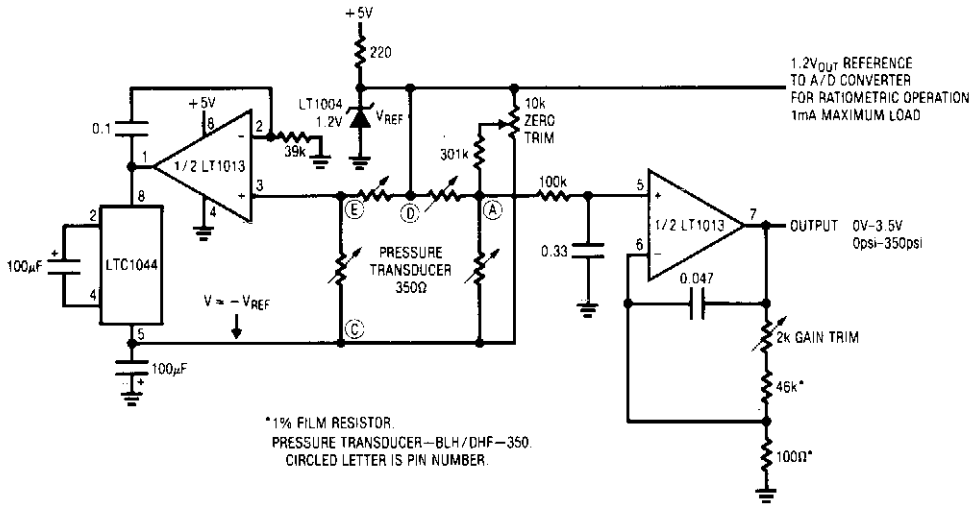


Fig. 10-6

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## STRAIN GAUGE BRIDGE SIGNAL CONDITIONER



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**Fig. 10-7**

# 11

## Burst Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Single-Tone Burst Generator  
Square Waveform Multiburst Generator  
Single-Timer IC Provides Square-Wave Tone Bursts  
Strobe-Tone Burst Generator  
Tone Burst Generator



## SQUARE WAVEFORM MULTIBURST GENERATOR

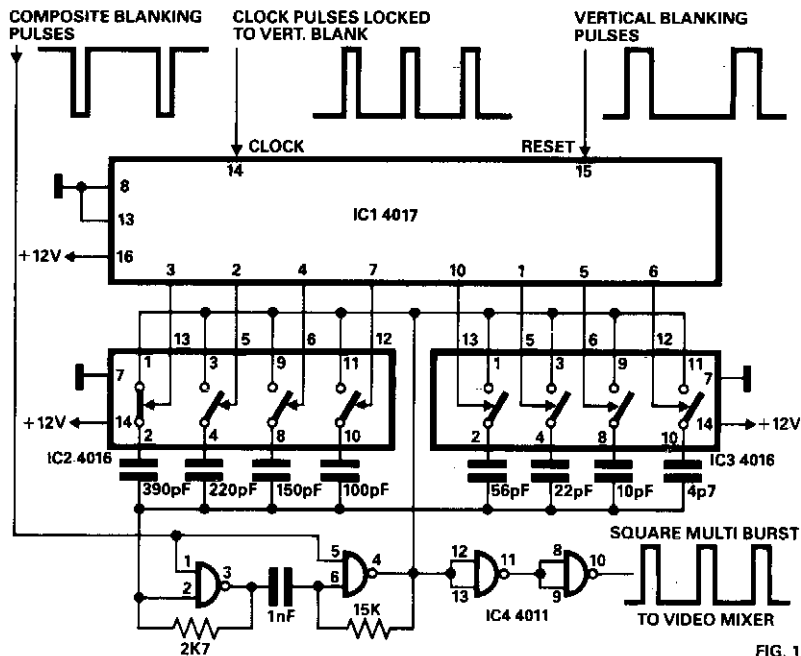
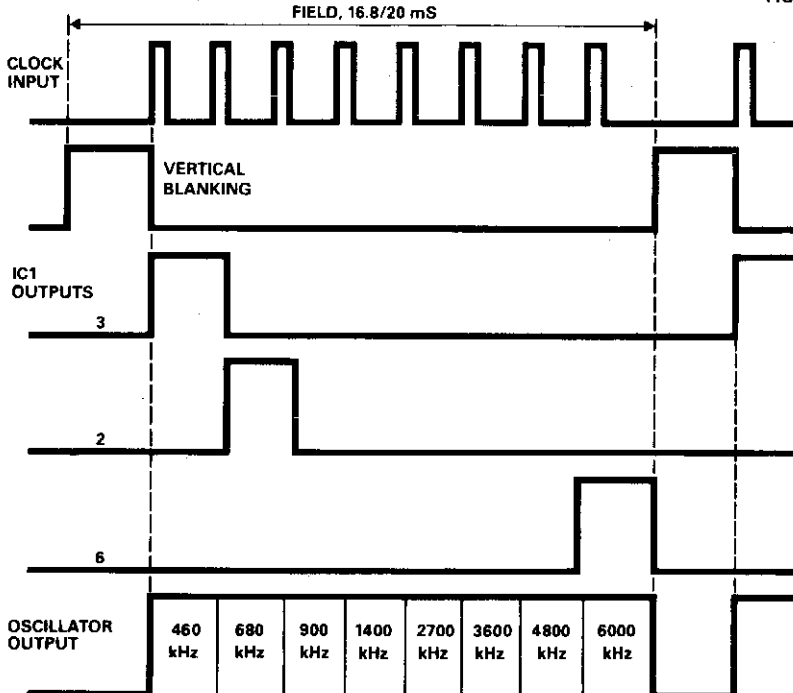


FIG. 1



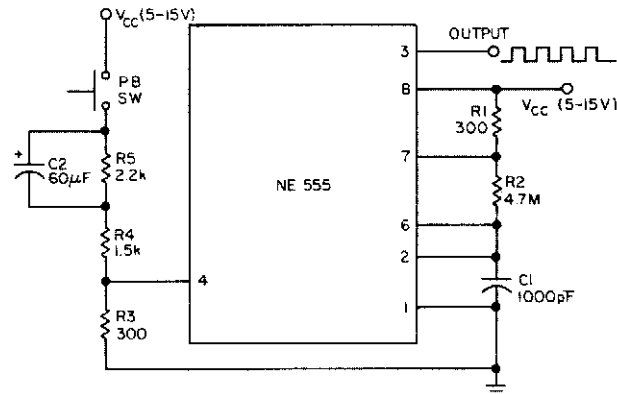
## SQUARE WAVEFORM MULTIBURST GENERATOR, Continued.

### Circuit Notes

The generator described here is intended for multiburst signal square waveform generation and can be used as a device for characterizing the response of TV monitor amplifiers as shown. The circuit is an RC oscillator with NAND gates (IC4-4011), with its capacitor C changed periodically by means of bilateral switches (IC2, IC3-4016). The control inputs of bilateral switches are driven by the outputs of a counter/decoder (IC1-4017) the operation of which is determined by generated clock pulses, so that they occur eight times at half-picture (field). These pulses are locked to vertical blank pulses.

Horizontal synchronization is achieved by means of composite blanking pulses (negative polarization) applied to pins 1 and 5 of IC4. The oscillator frequency changes in the following discrete steps: 460 kHz, 680 kHz, 900 kHz, 1400 kHz, 2700 kHz, 3600 kHz, for the time of one frame. The video signal is fed on a mixer where it is superimposed with a composite sync signal.

## SINGLE-TIMER IC PROVIDES SQUARE-WAVE TONE BURSTS



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Fig. 11-3

### Circuit Notes

The tone-burst generator gives a 50-ms burst of 1.5 kHz square waves with each operation of the pushbutton and can source or sink 200 mA.

## STROBE-TONE BURST GENERATOR

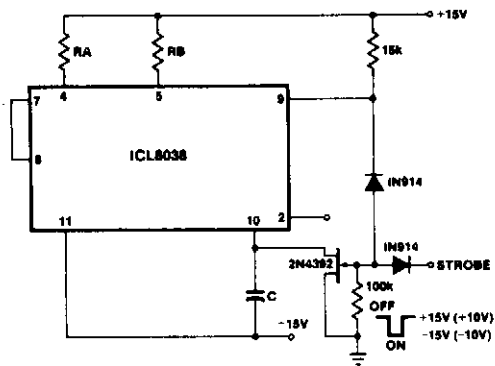
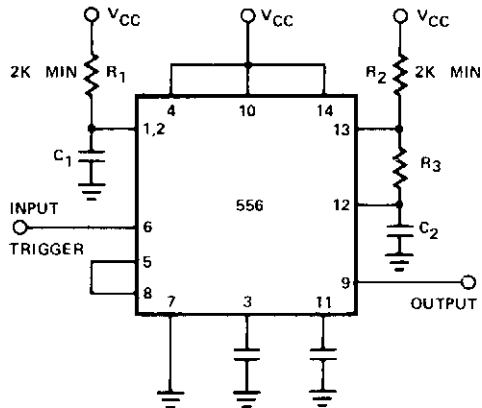


Fig. 11-4

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## TONE BURST GENERATOR



### Circuit Notes

The dual timer makes an excellent tone burst generator. The first half is connected as a one shot and the second half as an oscillator. The pulse established by the one shot turns on the oscillator allowing a burst of pulses to be generated.

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Fig. 11-5

# 12

## Capacitance Meters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Capacitance-to-Voltage Meter  
Accurate Digital Capacitance Meter

## CAPACITANCE-TO-VOLTAGE METER

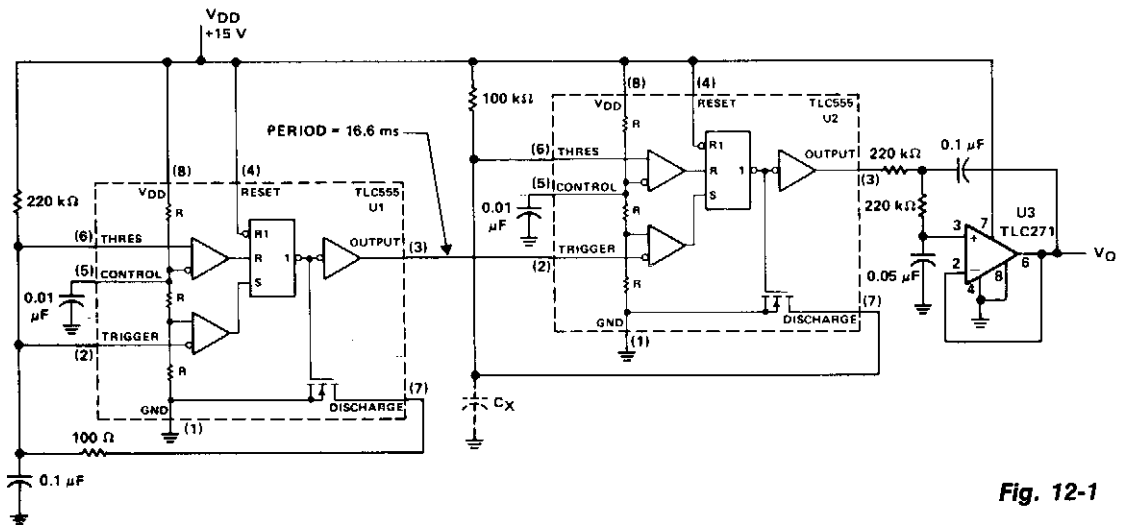


Fig. 12-1

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

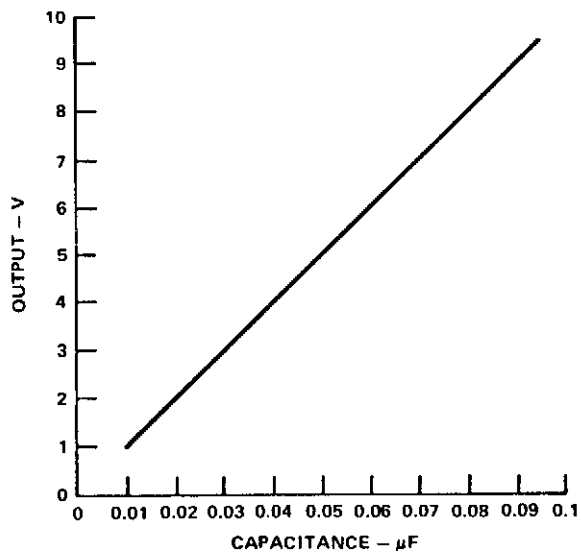
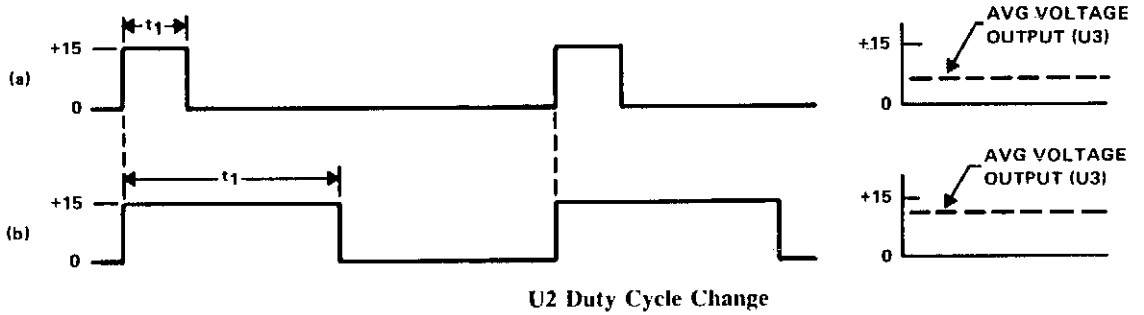
### Circuit Notes

Timer U1 operates as a free-running oscillator at 60 Hz, providing trigger pulses to timer U2 which operates in the monostable mode. Resistor R1 is fixed and capacitor Cx is the capacitor being measured. While the output of U2 is 60 Hz, the duty cycle depends on the value of Cx. U3 is a combination low-pass filter and unity-gain follower whose dc voltage output is the time-averaged amplitude of the output pulses of U2, as shown in the timing diagram.

The diagram shows when the value of Cx is small the duty cycle is relatively low. The output pulses are narrow and produce a lower average dc voltage level at the output of U3. As the capacitance value of Cx increases, the duty cycle increases making the output pulses at U2 wider and the average dc level output at U3 increases. The graph illustrates capacitance values of 0.01  $\mu\text{F}$  to 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  plotted against the output voltage of U3. Notice the excellent linearity and direct one-to-one scale calibration of the meter. If this does not occur the 100 k ohm resistor, R1, can be replaced with a potentiometer which can be adjusted to the proper value for the meter being used.



### CAPACITANCE-TO-VOLTAGE METER (CONT'D)



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 12-1



# 13

## Circuit Protection Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Overvoltage Protector  
High Speed Electronic Circuit Breaker  
12 ns Circuit Breaker  
Low Voltage Power Disconnecter  
Automatic Power-Down Protection Circuit  
Line Dropout Detector  
Electronic Crowbar

## OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTOR

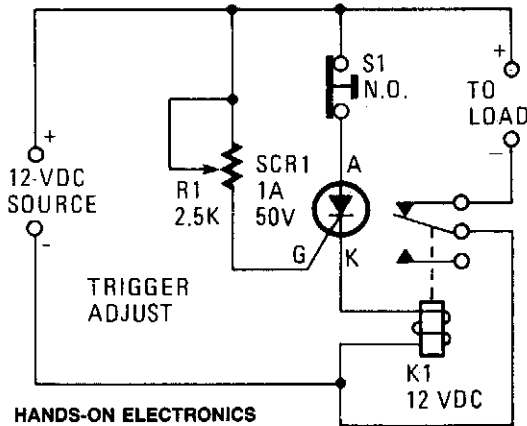


Fig. 13-1

### Circuit Notes

A silicon-controlled rectifier is installed in parallel with the 12-V line and connected to a normally-closed 12-V relay, K1. The SCR's gate circuit is used to sample the applied voltage. As long as the applied voltage stays below a given value, SCR1 remains off and K1's contacts remain closed, thereby supplying power to the load. When the source voltage rises above 12 V, sufficient current is applied to the gate of SCR1 to trigger it into conduction. The trigger point of SCR1 is dependent on the setting of R1. Once SCR1 is triggered (activating the relay), K1's contacts open, halting current flow to the load.

## HIGH SPEED ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT BREAKER

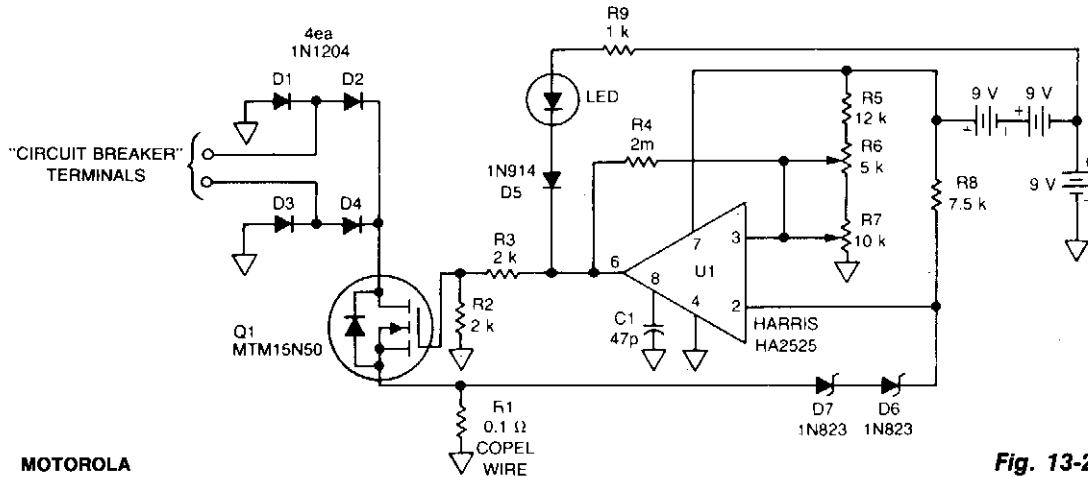


Fig. 13-2

### Circuit Notes

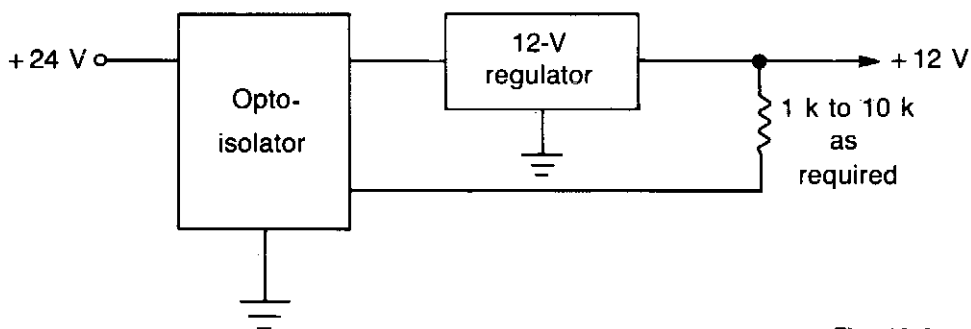
This 115 Vac, electronic circuit breaker uses the low drive power, low on resistance and fast turn off of the TMOS MTM15N50. The trip point is adjustable, LED fault indication is provided and battery power provides complete circuit isolation.

The two "circuit breaker" terminals are across one leg of a full wave diode bridge consisting of D1-D4. Normally, Q1 is turned ON so that the circuit breaker looks like a very

low resistance. One input to comparator U1 is a fraction of the internal battery voltage and the other input is the drop across zeners D6 and D7 and the voltage drop across R1. If excessive current is drawn, the voltage drop across R1 increases beyond the comparator threshold (determined by the setting of R6), U1 output goes low, Q1 turns OFF, and the circuit breaker "opens." When this occurs, the LED fault indicator is illuminated.



## AUTOMATIC POWER-DOWN PROTECTION CIRCUIT



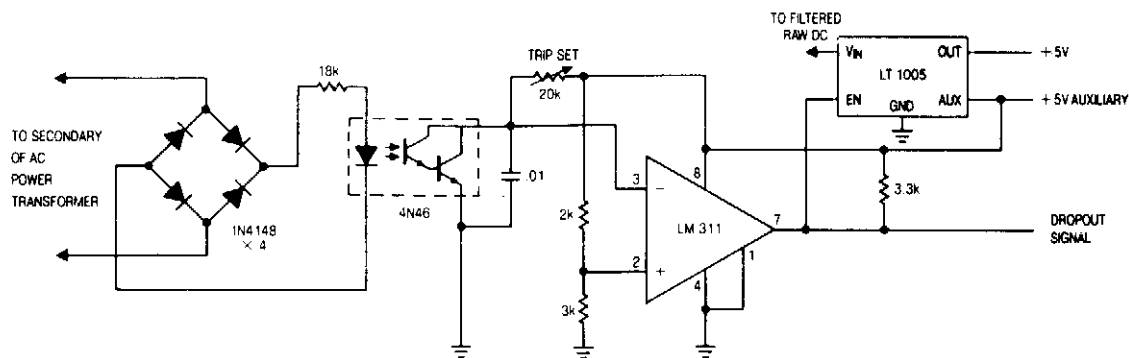
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 13-5.

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is faster than a fuse and automatically resets itself when a short is removed. The normal regulated dc input line is opened and the phototransistor of the opto isolator is connected in series with the source and regulator. Between the output of the regulator and ground is a LED and an associated current-limiting resistor, placed physically close to the surface of the photosensitive device. As long as the regulator is delivering its rated output, the LED glows and causes the photo device to have a low resistance. Full current is thus allowed to flow. If a short circuit occurs on the output side of the regulator, the LED goes dark, the resistance of the photo device increases, and the regulator shuts off. When the short is removed, the LED glows, and the regulator resumes operation.

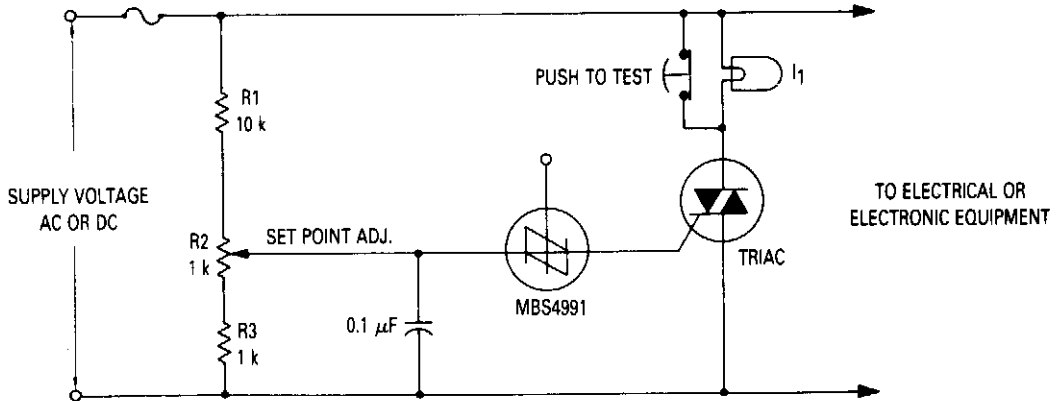
## LINE DROPOUT DETECTOR



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Fig. 13-6

## ELECTRONIC CROWBAR



MOTOROLA

Fig. 13-7

### Circuit Notes

Where it is desirable to shut down equipment rather than allow it to operate on excessive supply voltage, an electronic "crowbar" circuit can be employed to quickly place a short-circuit across the power lines, thereby dropping the voltage across the protected device to near zero and blowing a fuse. Since the TRIAC and SBS are both bilateral devices, the circuit is equally useful on ac or dc supply lines. With the values shown for R1, R2 and R3, the crowbar operating point can be adjusted over the range of 60 to 120 volts dc or 42 to 84 volts ac. The resistor values can be changed to cover a different range of supply voltages. The voltage rating of the TRIAC must be greater than the highest operating point as set by R2. I<sub>1</sub> is a low power incandescent lamp with a voltage rating equal to the supply voltage. It may be used to check the set point and operation of the unit by opening the test switch and adjusting the input or set point to fire the SBS.

# 14

## Clock Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Three Phase Clock From a Reference Clock  
60 Hz Clock Pulse Generator



## THREE PHASE CLOCK FROM A REFERENCE CLOCK

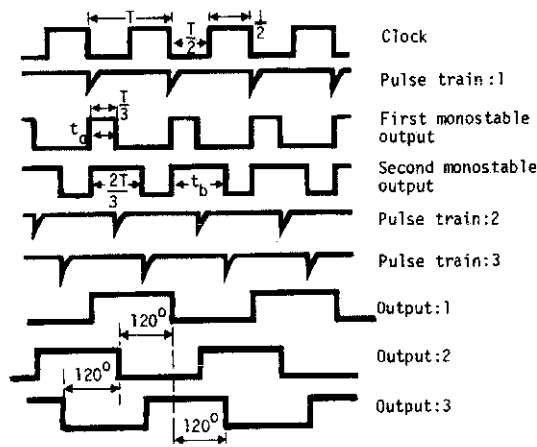
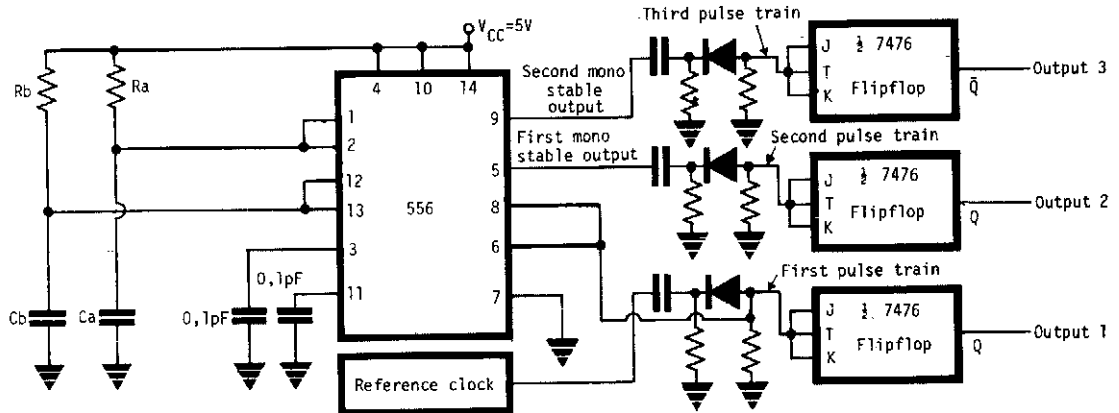


Fig. 14-1

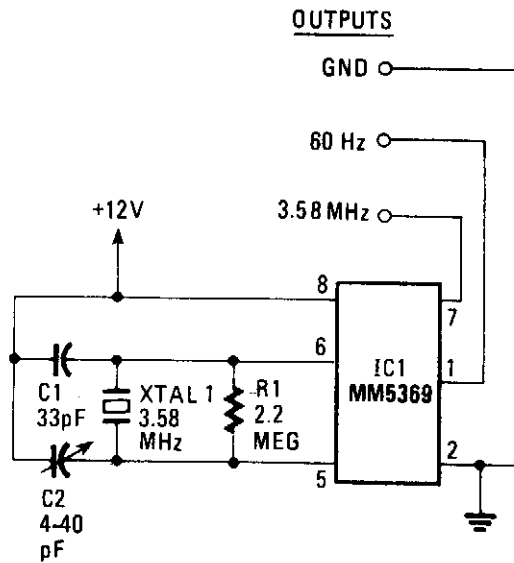


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### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides three square wave outputs with  $120^\circ$  of phase difference between each other. Reference clock frequency is twice that of the required frequency. This can be obtained from a crystal oscillator with a chain of dividers or by using LM 555 in 50% duty cycle astable mode. If  $1/T$  is the frequency of the reference clock, the dual timer 556 is connected to give two mono-stable output pulses of duration  $T/3$  and  $2T/3$ . The first timer R and C value are adjusted so that  $t_a = 1.1RaCa = T/3$  and the second timer R and C values so that  $t_b = 1.1RbCb = 2T/3$ . For triggering the two monostables a negative pulse train (1st) is derived from the reference clock with a differentiator and a clipper combination as shown. The three pulse trains trigger three JK flip flops giving three phase square wave outputs.

## 60 Hz CLOCK PULSE GENERATOR



### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides a clean, stable square wave and it will operate on anywhere from 6 to 15 volts. The IC and color-burst crystal are the kind used in TV receivers. The 3.58 MHz output makes a handy marker signal for shortwave bands.

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Fig. 14-2

# 15

## Comparators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

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|--|---|
| Low-Power Comparator with Less than 10 $\mu$ V Hysteresis      | High-Low Level Comparator with One Op Amp |
| Voltage Monitor/Comparator                                     | High-Input-Impedance Window Comparator    |
| Limit Comparator   | Frequency Comparator                      |
| Double-Ended Limit Comparator                                  | Demonstration Comparator Circuit          |
| Low-Cost Comparator and Display                                | LED Frequency Comparator                  |
| Window Comparator  | TTL-Compatible Schmitt Trigger            |
| Comparator Detects Power Supply Overvoltages, Catches Glitches |   |

## LOW-POWER COMPARATOR WITH LESS THAN 10 $\mu\text{V}$ HYSTERESIS

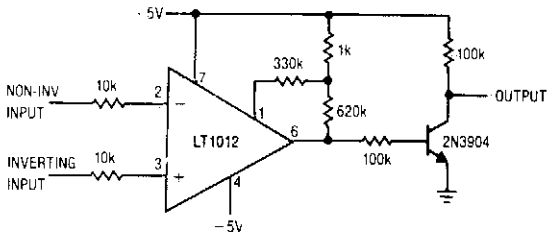
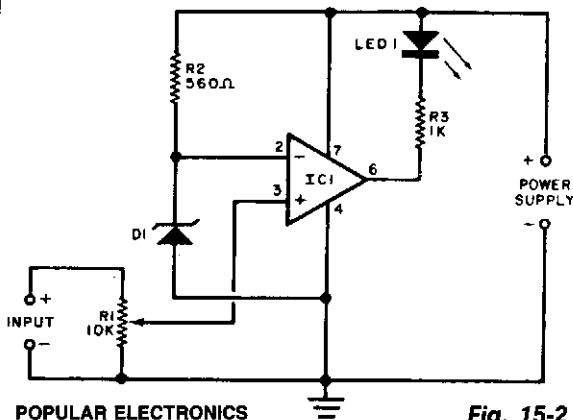


Fig. 15-1

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## VOLTAGE MONITOR/COMPARATOR



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Fig. 15-2

### Circuit Notes

A portion of the monitored voltage (determined by R1's adjustment) is compared to a fixed voltage obtained from a zener reference network, R2-D1. As long as the monitored voltage remains at or above its present monitor point (determined by R1's setting), the output indicator, LED1, remains dark. If the voltage drops below this level, the LED goes on. D1 is a 3.3-V zener. A 12 Vdc power supply is suitable for monitoring input voltages of up to 12 volts.

## LIMIT COMPARATOR

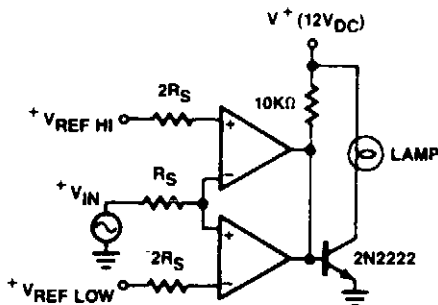


Fig. 15-3

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### DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT COMPARATOR

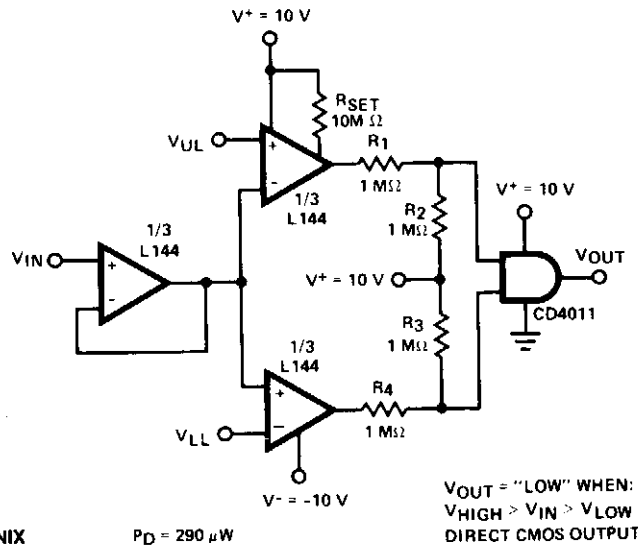


Fig. 15-4

### LOW-COST COMPARATOR AND DISPLAY

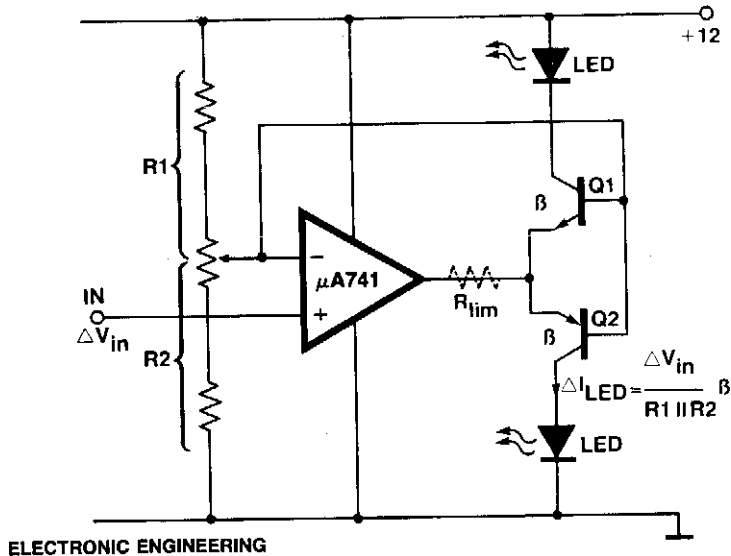
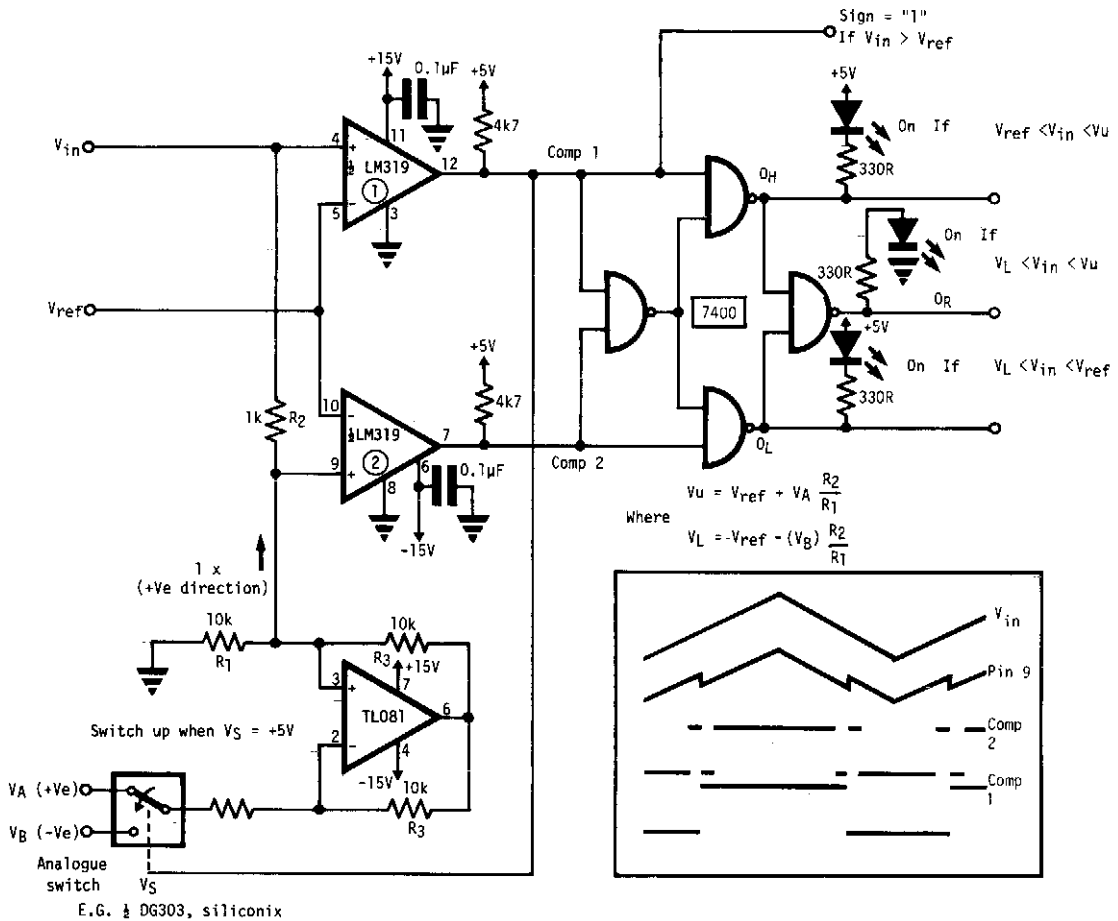


Fig. 15-5

#### Circuit Notes

An op amp is used as a comparator and a sink for LED current. The output voltage of the amplifier changes about 1.4 V depending on the direction of the current. Only one transistor is on at any time. Maximum LED current is limited to 25 mA by overcurrent protection of the  $\mu A741$ . If LEDs are not capable of carrying such a current or an alternative op amp is used and an additional resistor  $R_{lim}$  is necessary.

## WINDOW COMPARATOR



**Fig. 15-6**

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### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides independently adjustable upper and lower threshold settings, and has sign, in window range, in upper window, and in lower window digital outputs.



### HIGH-LOW LEVEL COMPARATOR WITH ONE OP AMP

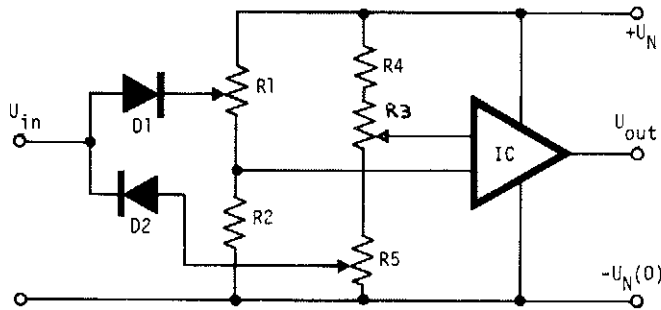


Fig. 15-8

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#### Circuit Notes

The voltage to be compared is fed through diode D1 and D2 to the voltage dividers R1 and R5 where the low and high limits are present. When the voltage level of an input signal exceeds the high threshold limit set with potentiometer R1, the diode D1 becomes forward biased and the increased voltage on the inputs of the op amp drives it into positive saturation. Similarly, a decrease of the input voltage at the op amp inputs turns the op amp to positive saturation. Potentiometer R3 is used for zeroing the op amp in the off state.

### HIGH-INPUT-IMPEDANCE WINDOW COMPARATOR

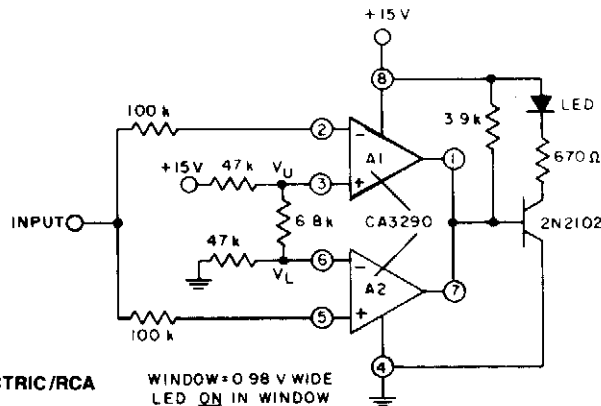


Fig. 15-9

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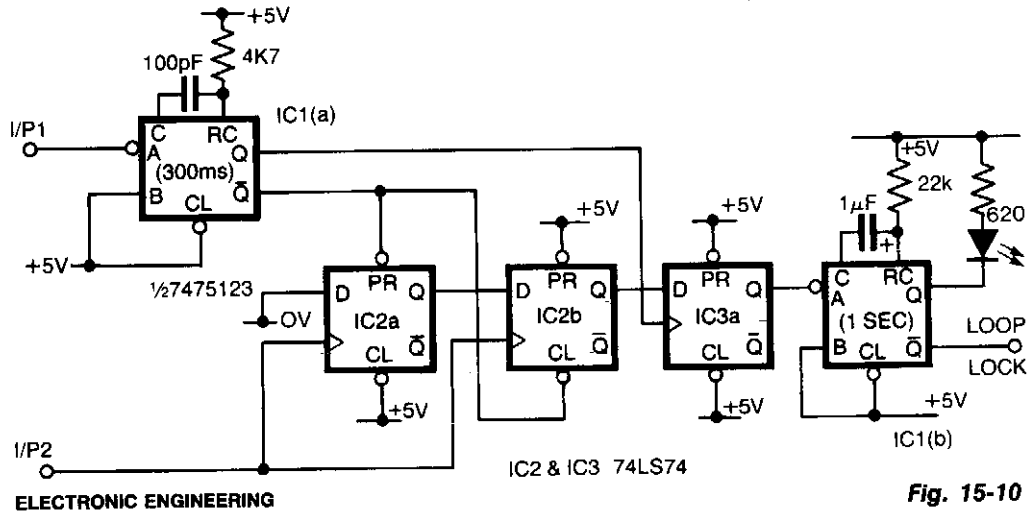
WINDOW = 0.98 V WIDE  
LED ON IN WINDOW

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses both halves of the CA3290 BiMOS dual voltage comparator. The LED will be turned "ON" whenever the input signal is above the lower limit ( $V_L$ ) but below the upper limit ( $V_U$ ).



## FREQUENCY COMPARATOR

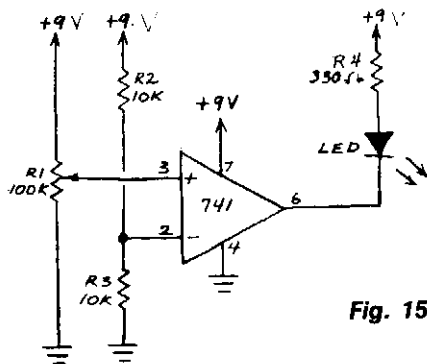


### Circuit Notes

Input 1 is used as a gating period, during which a single rising edge on input 2 will cause a logic 1 output-any other number, indicating non-identical frequencies causes a logic 0 output.

IC1a converts input 1 to a narrow pulse which initializes IC2 which forms a two-stage shift register clocked by input 2. On the first edge of input 2 a logic 1 appears on the output of IC2b and for all subsequent inputs a logic 0 is present. At the end of the gating period this output is latched by IC3 forming the lock output. As this is only valid for one input period a monostable is added to the output to enable, for example, visual monitoring of the output. Either output from IC3 can be used depending on which state is most important. As connected the failure state is indicated.

## DEMONSTRATION COMPARATOR CIRCUIT

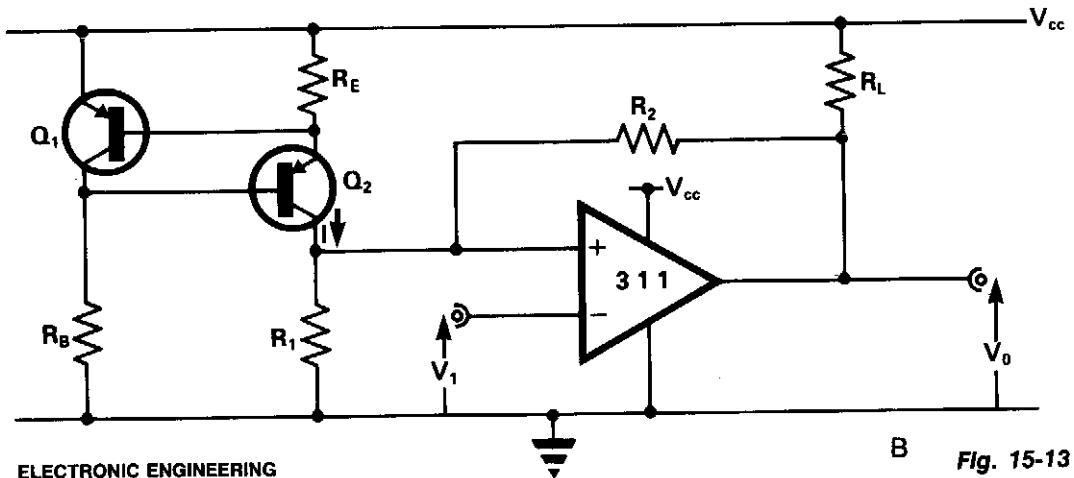
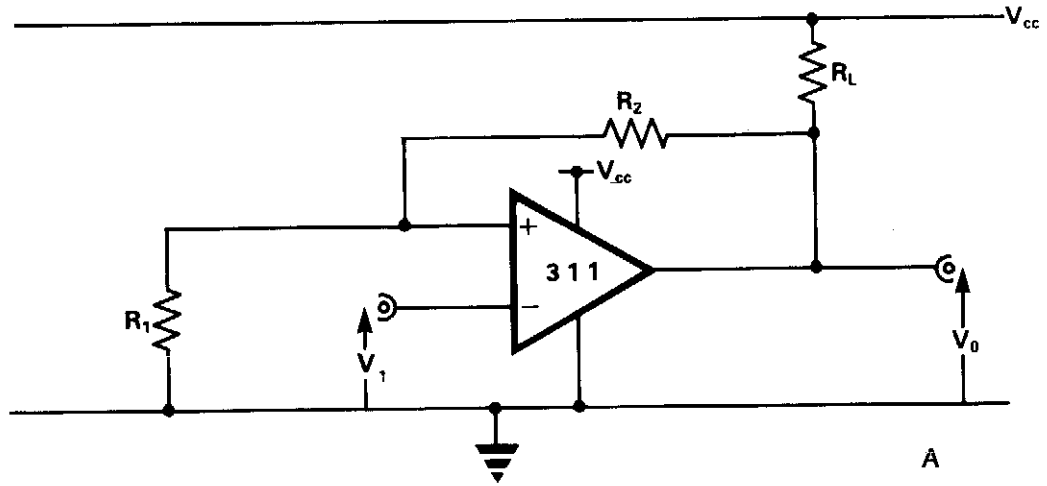


### Circuit Notes

This circuit is an op amp without a feedback resistor. R2 and R3 junction point sets the reference voltage. When the input voltage set by R1 is below the reference voltage the LED glows. If voltage is above reference, the LED goes off.



### TTL-COMPATIBLE SCHMITT TRIGGER



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B Fig. 15-13

#### Circuit Notes

The comparator has an output pull-up resistor  $R_L$  and is connected up to operate as a Schmitt trigger using the single rail supply  $V_{CC}$ . The feedback resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  give upper and lower threshold levels  $V_{T+}$ ,  $V_{T-}$ , respectively.  $V_{T+}$  is easily set by suitable resistor selection but there is little independent choice of  $V_{T-}$  because  $V_{T-}$  cannot exceed  $V_{CE(SAT)}$ . In Fig. 15-13B current-source, comprising the transistors  $R_E$ ,  $R_B$  produces a current  $I \sim (V_{EB}/R_E)$ ,  $V_{EB}$  ( $\sim 0.65$  V) being the emitter-base voltage of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . Fig. 15-13C shows the results of a practical test using the circuit of Fig. 15-13B, and the following operating and component data:

$V_{CC} = 5$  V;  $R_L = 1$  K ohm;  $R_1 = R_2 = 10$  K ohm;  
 $R_B = 3.6$  K ohm;  $R_E = 1$  K ohm + 10 K ohm pot;  
 $Q_1 = ZTX500$ ;  $Q_2 = ZTX500$ .

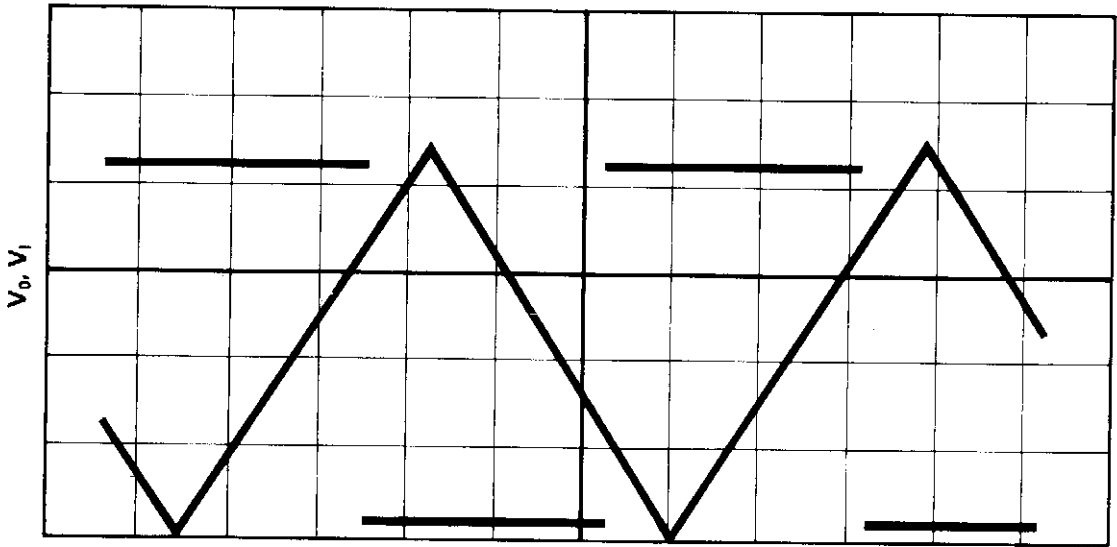


Fig. 15-13 Continued

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# 16

## Computer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

8-Bit  $\mu$ P Bus Interface

$V_{PP}$  Generator for Eproms

Eight Channel Mux/Demux System

Microprocessor Selected Pulse Width Control

8048/IM80C48 Microcomputer with 8-Character

16-Segment ASCII Triplex Liquid Crystal Display

CMOS Data Acquisition System

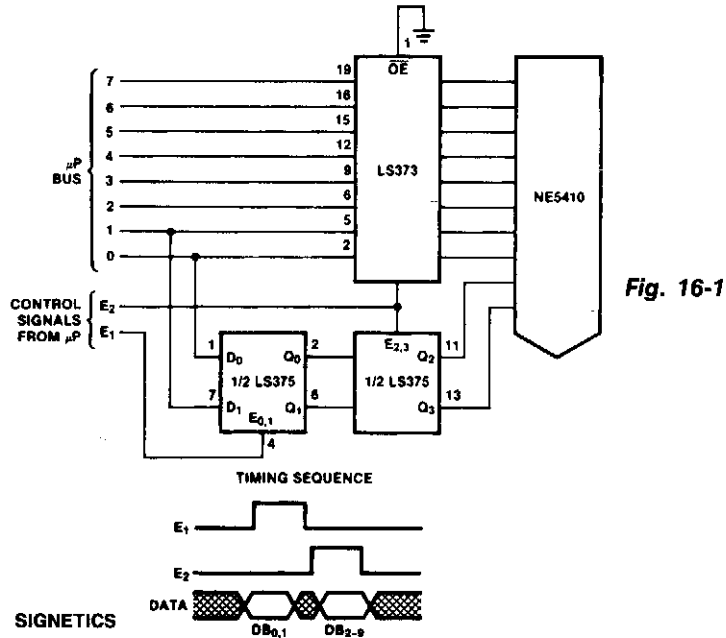
High Speed Data Acquisition System

Buffered Breakout Box

Z80 Clock

Data Separator for Floppy Disks

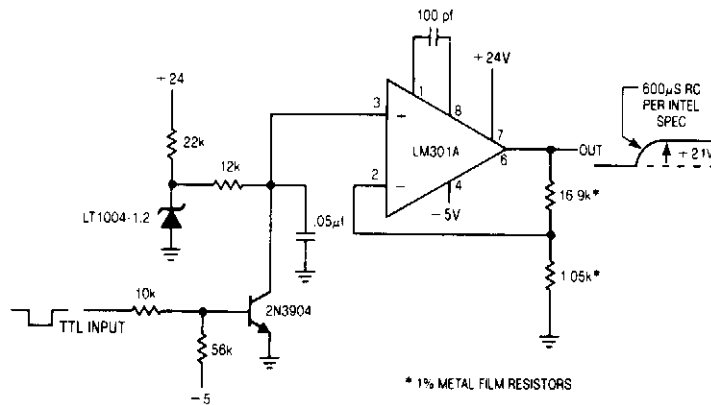
## 8-BIT $\mu$ P BUS INTERFACE



### Circuit Notes

With this double latch technique, valid data will be latched to the DAC until updated with the  $E_2$  pulse. Timing will depend on the processor used.

## $V_{pp}$ GENERATOR FOR EPROMS

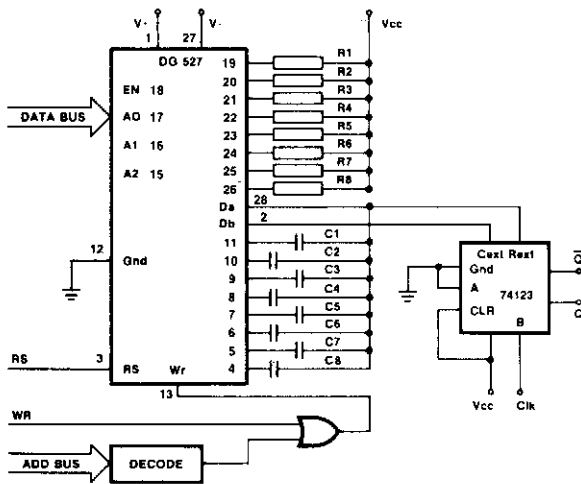


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**Fig. 16-2**



## MICROPROCESSOR SELECTED PULSE WIDTH CONTROL



### Circuit Notes

Differential multiplexers are generally used in process control applications to eliminate errors due to common mode signals. In this circuit however, advantage is taken of the dual multiplexing capability of the switch. This is achieved by using the multiplexer to select pairs of RC networks to control the pulse width of the multivibrator. This can be a particularly useful feature in process control applications where there is a requirement for a variable width sample "window" for different control signals.

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Fig. 16-4

## 8048/IM80C48 MICROCOMPUTER WITH 8-CHARACTER 16-SEGMENT ASCII TRIPLEX LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

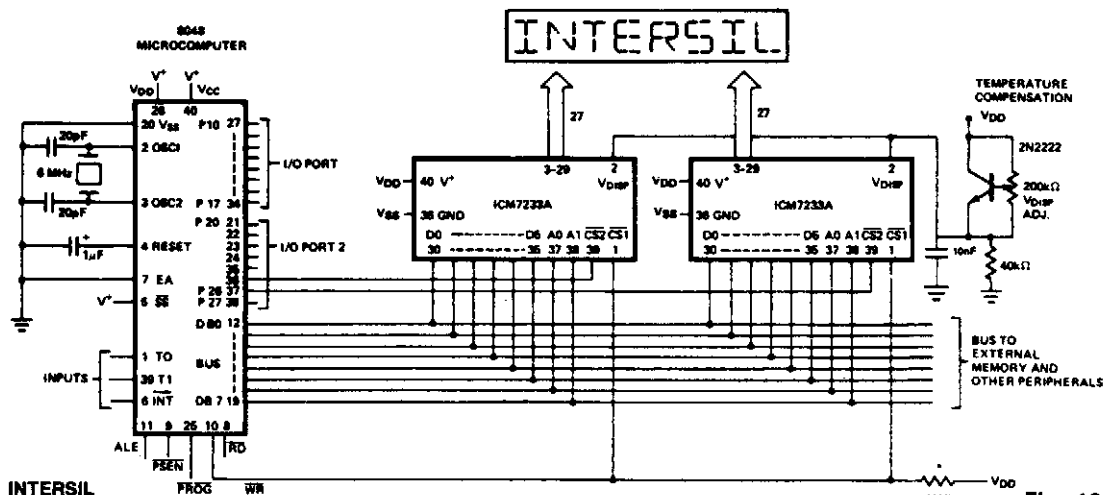


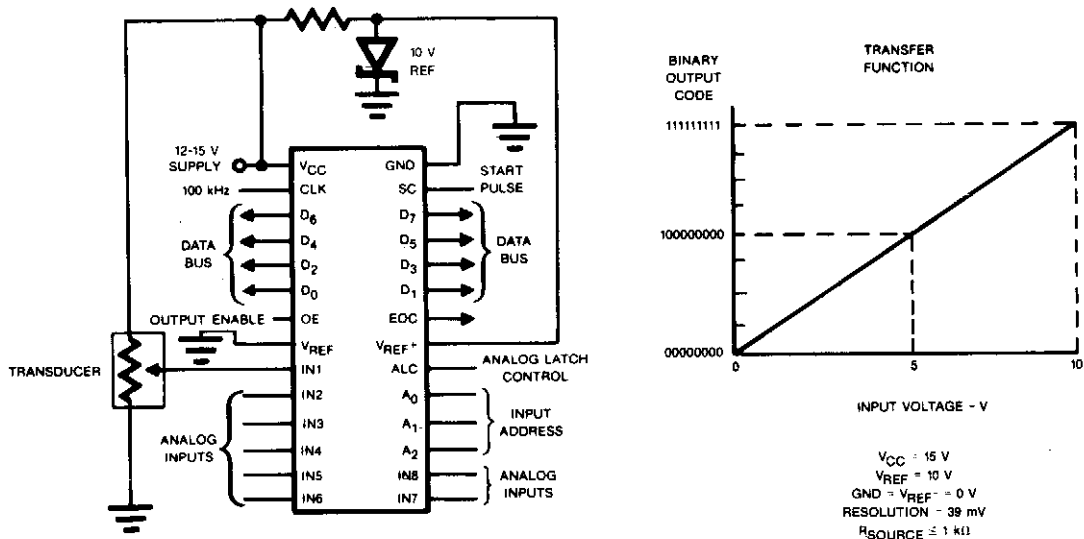
Fig. 16-5

### Circuit Notes

The two bit character address is merged with the data and written to the display driver under the control of the WR line. Port lines are used to either select the target driver, or deselect all of them for other bus operations.



## CMOS DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM



**Fig. 16-6**

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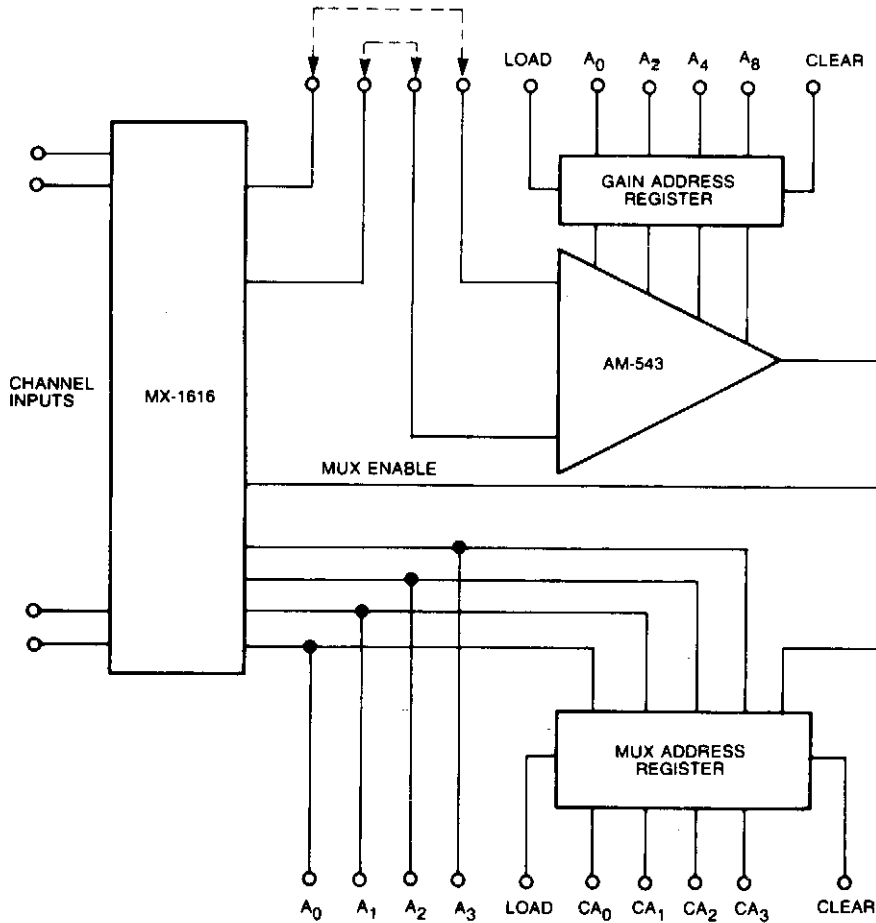
### Circuit Notes

Charge redistribution to achieve A/D conversion. In typical applications, as a ratiometric conversion system for a microprocessor, V<sub>REF-</sub> will be connected to ground and V<sub>REF+</sub> will be connected to V<sub>CC</sub>. The output will then be a simple proportional ratio between analog input voltage and V<sub>CC</sub>. The general relationship is:

$$\frac{D_{OUT}}{2^8} = \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{REF+} - V_{REF-}}$$

Where D<sub>OUT</sub> = Digital Output  
 V<sub>IN</sub> = Analog Input  
 V<sub>REF</sub> = Positive Reference Potential  
 V<sub>REF</sub> = Negative Reference Potential

## HIGH SPEED DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

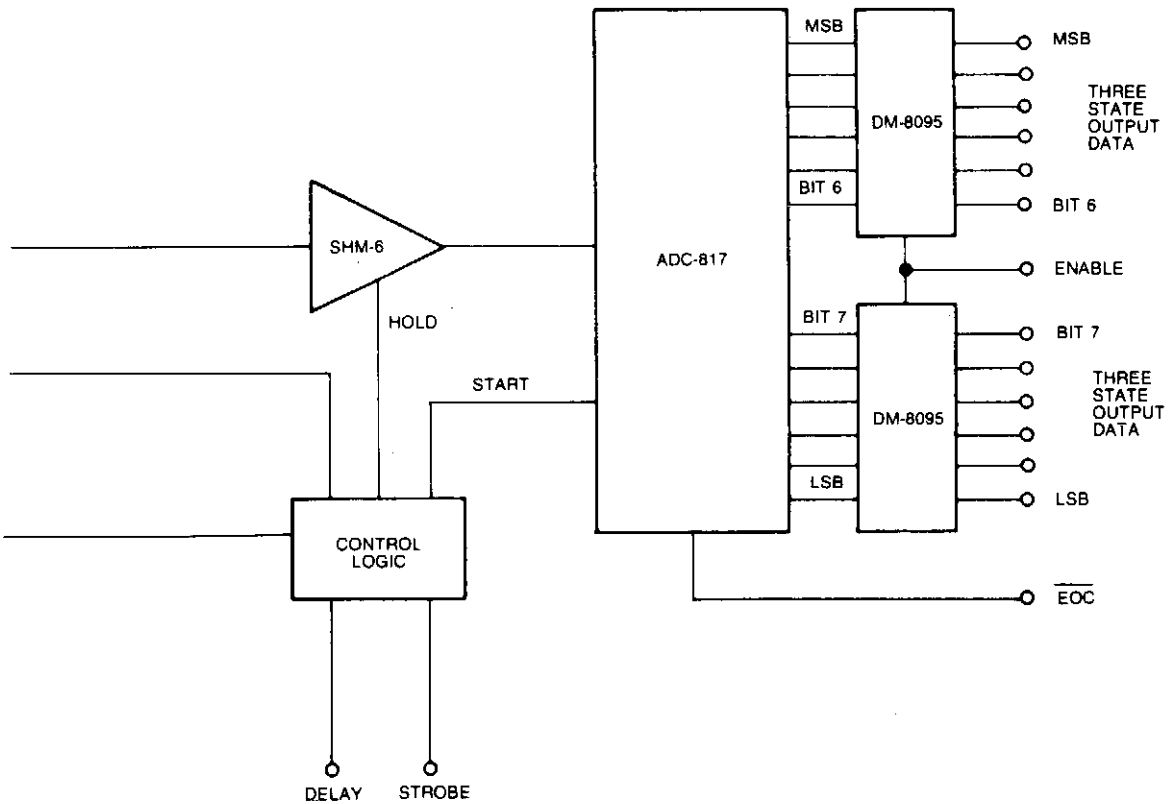


DATTEL

**Fig. 16-7**

### Circuit Notes

This diagram shows a high-speed data acquisition system with 8 differential inputs and 12-bit resolution using the AM-543. If the control logic is timed so that the Sample-Hold-ADC section is converting one analog value while the mux-amplifier section is allowed to settle to the next input value, throughput rates greater than 156 KHz can be achieved. The AM-543 is used with Dattel's ADV-817, a 12-bit hybrid A/D with a 2  $\mu$ sec conversion rate, the SHM-6, a 0.01%, 1  $\mu$ sec hybrid Sample-Hold, and the MX-1616,



a low cost, high-speed monolithic analog multiplexer. The system works as follows:

The  $\mu\text{P}$  selects a channel and initiates a conversion at  $G=1$  and then looks at the MSB of the conversion result. If the  $\text{MSB} = 1$ , the  $\mu\text{P}$  will store the value. If the  $\text{MSB} = 0$ , the  $\mu\text{P}$  will select  $G = 2$ . The  $\mu\text{P}$  will repeat the cycle of gain incrementing, comparison, and analog-to-digital conversion until the  $\text{MSB} = 1$ . The  $\mu\text{P}$  will then test for an output of all 1's, as this is the full-scale output of the A/D. If the output is all 1's, the  $\mu\text{P}$  will decrement the gain by 1 step and perform the final conversion.

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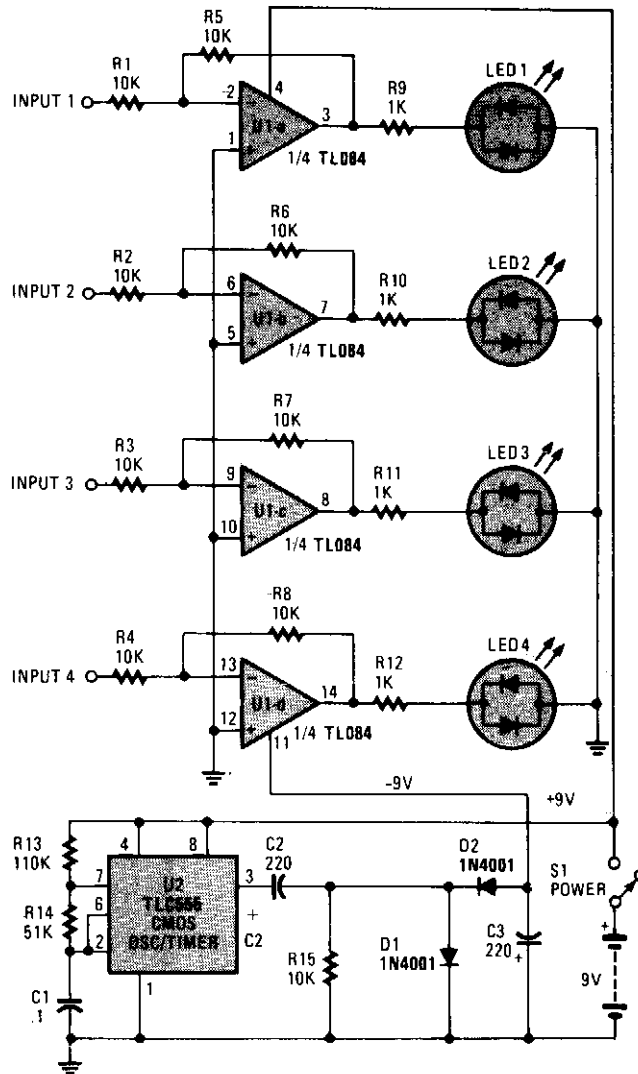


Fig. 16-8

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### Circuit Notes

The monitoring circuit consists of four tri-color LEDs driven by an equal number of op amps configured as gain-of-one inverting amplifiers. Each LED is wired in the circuit so that it glows red when the input to the op amp is high, and green when the input is low. The LED remains off when the input is disconnected from a circuit, when it's at ground potential, and when it's connected to a 3-state output that's in the high-impedance state. Each input has an impedance of 10,000 ohms preventing the circuit

## BUFFERED BREAKOUT BOX, Continued.

from loading communication lines. The op amp requires both positive and negative supply voltages to properly drive the LEDs. Both voltages are supplied by a single, nine-volt battery. The battery supplies the positive source directly. The negative source is supplied via a CMOS 555 oscillator/timer that's configured as an astable oscillator, which is used to drive a standard diode/capacitor voltage doubler. When the 555 is connected to the monitoring circuit, the output voltage is not 18 volts ( $2 \times 9$ ), but a little under nine volts, due to loading. The circuit draws about 16 mA with all LEDs off; with all four on, it draws between 20 and 30 mA, depending on how many LEDs are high, and how many are low. The use of CMOS op amps reduces quiescent current drain considerably.

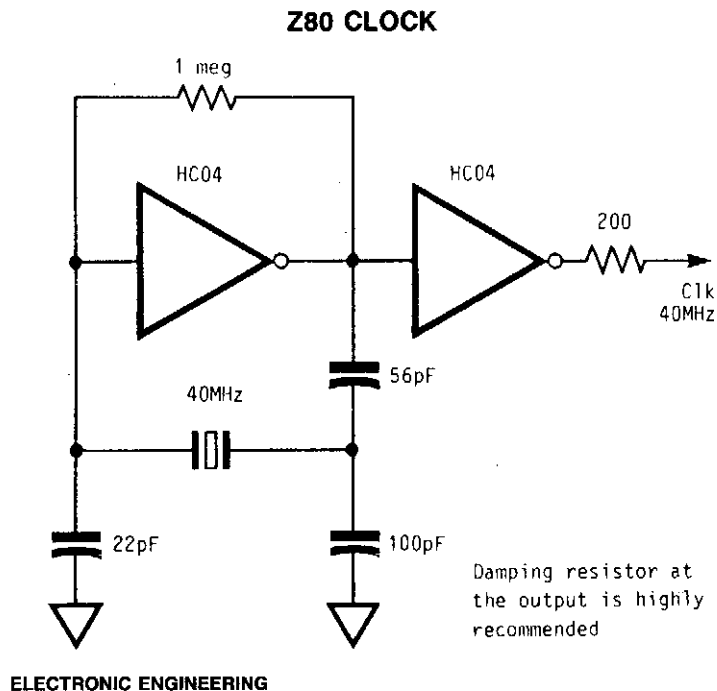


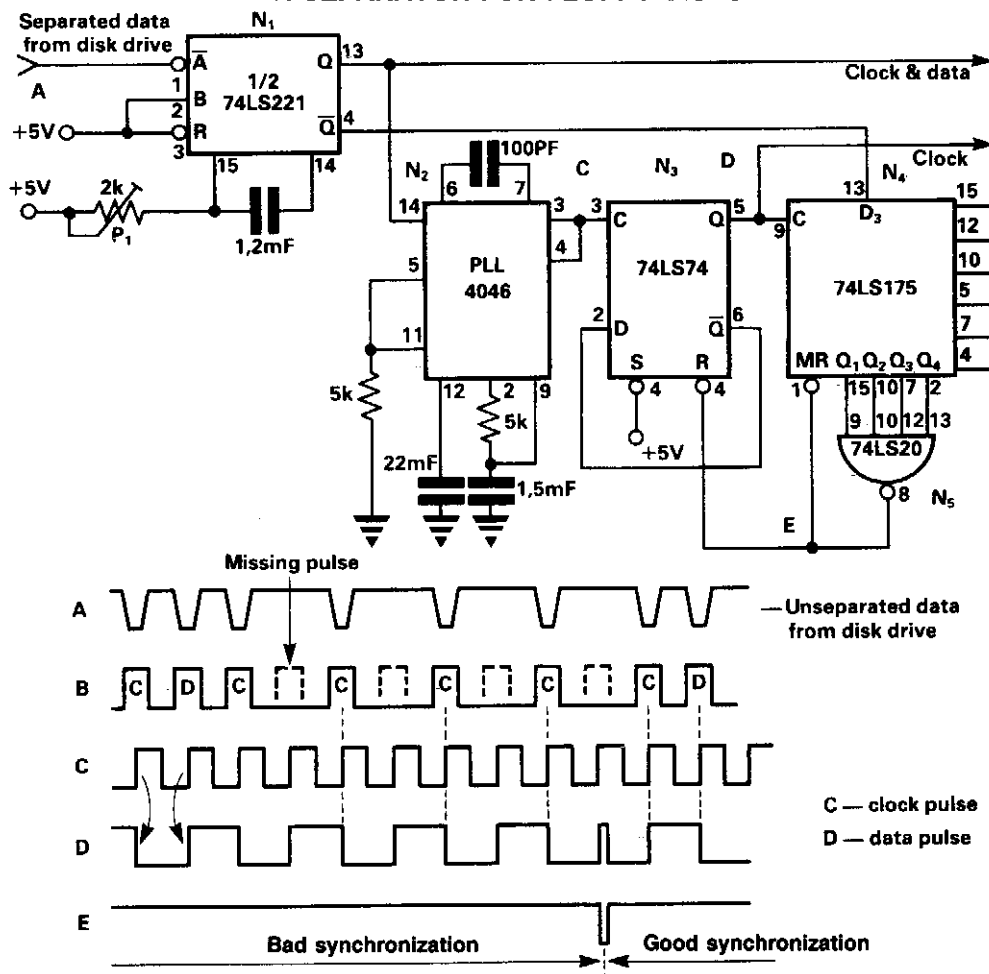
Fig. 16-9

Damping resistor at the output is highly recommended

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will operate reliably from below 1 MHz to above 400 MHz. With  $V_{CC} = 5$  V the output of the second inverter essentially attains a full swing from 0 V to 5 V. Such large logic output levels and broad frequency range capabilities make this oscillator quite suitable for driving MOS components such as CPU, controller chip, peripheral devices, as well as other TTL products. A damping resistor in series between the clock output of the oscillator and the input of the device being driven will remove the undesirable undershoot and ringing caused by the high speed CMOS part.

## DATA SEPARATOR FOR FLOPPY DISKS



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Fig. 16-10

### Circuit Notes

The data separator is intended for use with 8" flexible diskettes with IBM 3870 soft sectorized format. The circuit delivers data and clock (B) and clock pulses (D). These two signals must be in such a sequence that the negative edge of the clock pulse is at the middle of a data cell.

Unseparated data (A) from the floppy unit is shaped with one shot N1. Trimmer P1 should be adjusted so that pulses (B) are 1 μs wide. This signal synchronizes PLL N2 with a free running frequency adjusted to 500 kHz. The output of the PLL is 90° out of phase with its input. D-type flip-flop N3 is connected as a divider by two and changes state at each positive edge of (C). N4, connected as a shift register, looks for four consecutive missing pulses. When this happens, the circuit is resynchronized with (E) so that the negative edge of (D) is in the middle of a data cell.

# 17

## Converters

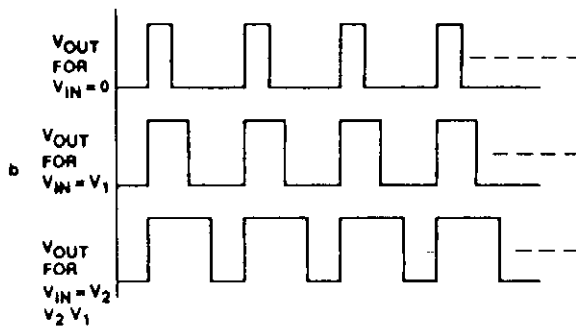
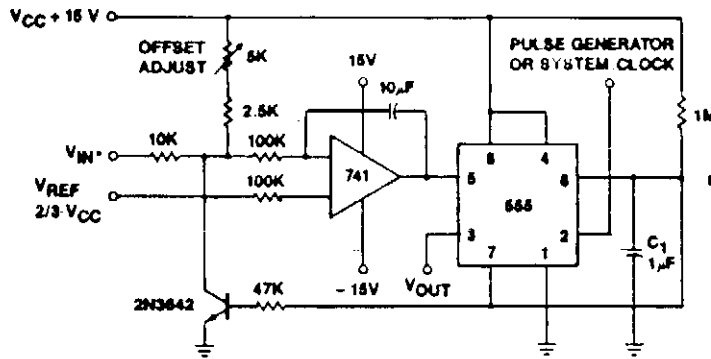
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Voltage-to-Pulse Duration Converter  
Voltage-to-Current Converters  
TTL-to-MOS Logic Converter  
TTL Square Wave-to-Triangle Converter  
A Regulated DC-to-DC Converter  
Capacitance to Pulse Width Converter  
Current-to-Voltage Converter with Grounded Bias  
and Sensor

Triangle-to-Sine Converters  
Precision Peak-to-Peak AC-DC Converter  
Photodiode Current-to-Voltage Converter  
Self Oscillating Flyback Converter  
RMS-to-DC Converter  
100 MHz Converter  
Precision Voltage-to-Frequency Converter  
Bipolar DC-DC Converter Requires No Inductor

## VOLTAGE-TO-PULSE DURATION CONVERTER



**NOTES:**  
All resistor values in ohms  
\* $V_{IN}$  is limited to 2 diode drops within ground or below  $V_{CC}$

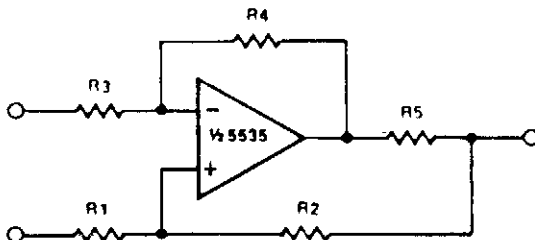
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Fig. 17-1.

### Circuit Notes

Voltage levels can be converted to pulse durations by combining an op amp and a timer IC. Accuracies to better than 1% can be obtained with this circuit (a), and the output signals (b) still retain the original frequency, independent of the input voltage.

## VOLTAGE-TO-CURRENT CONVERTERS



**NOTES:**

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1} = \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$

$$I_{OUT} = \frac{V_{IN} \cdot R_2}{R_5 \cdot R_1}$$

SIGNETICS

### Circuit Notes

A simple voltage-to-current converter is shown in the figure. The current out is  $I_{OUT}$  or  $V_{IN}/R$ . For negative currents, a pnp can be used and, for better accuracy, a Darlington pair can be substituted for the transistor. With careful design, this circuit can be used to control currents of many amps. Unity gain compensation is necessary.

Fig. 17-2



### TTL-TO-MOS LOGIC CONVERTER

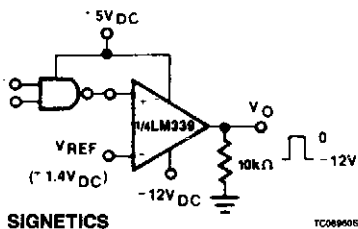
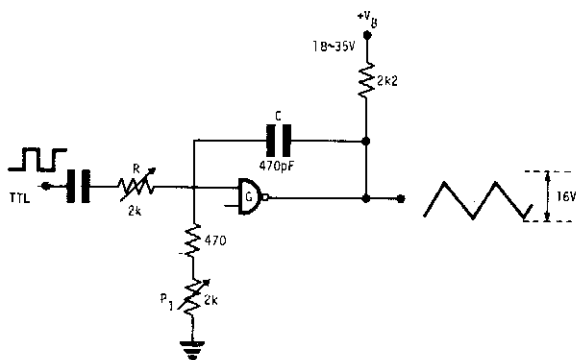


Fig. 17-3

### TTL SQUARE WAVE-TO-TRIANGLE CONVERTER



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Fig. 17-4

#### Circuit Notes

This fixed frequency triangular waveform generator driven by a TTL square wave generates typically 16-V p-p triangles at frequencies up to several MHz. It uses only one NAND open collector gate, or one open collector inverter as a fast integrator with gain. Careful successive adjustments of R and P1 are needed. When correct adjustments are reached, output amplitude and linearity are largely independent of the value of  $V_B$ , from a minimum of 18 V up to 35 V. The value of C shown is for 100 kHz; at higher frequencies, it must be reduced in proportion.

### A REGULATED DC-TO-DC CONVERTER

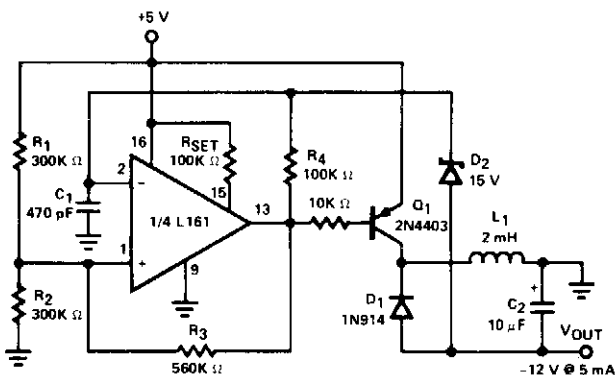


Fig. 17-5

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## CAPACITANCE TO PULSE WIDTH CONVERTER

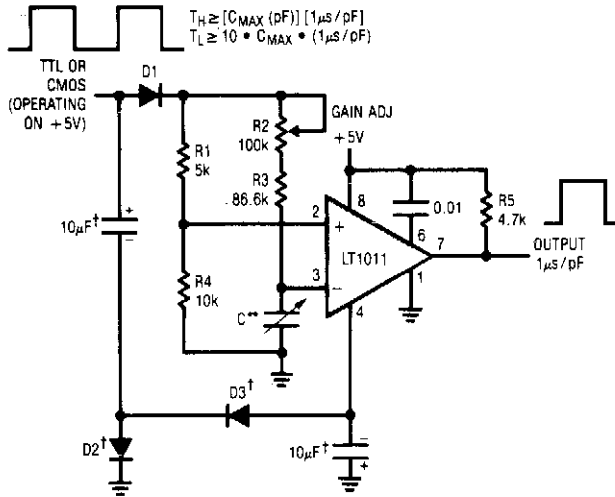


Fig. 17-6

$$*PW = (R2 + R3) \cdot (C) \left( \frac{R1 + R4}{R1} \right), \text{ INPUT CAPACITANCE OF}$$

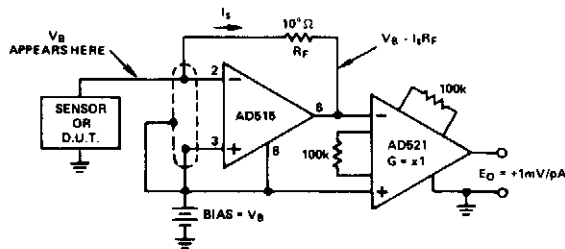
LT1011 IS  $\approx 6\text{pF}$ . THIS IS AN OFFSET TERM.

† THESE COMPONENTS MAY BE ELIMINATED IF NEGATIVE SUPPLY IS AVAILABLE ( $-1\text{V}$  TO  $-15\text{V}$ ).

\*\* TYPICAL 2 SECTIONS OF 365pF VARIABLE CAPACITOR WHEN USED AS SHAFT ANGLE INDICATION.

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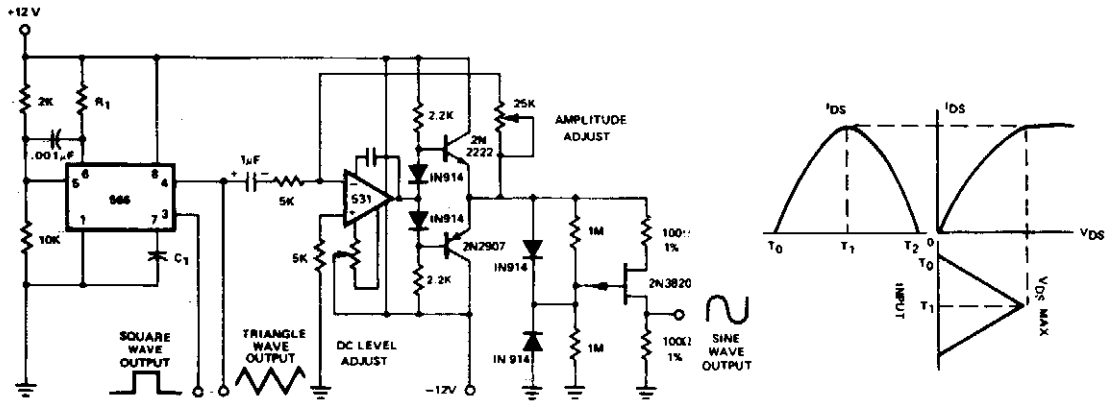
## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH GROUNDED BIAS AND SENSOR



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Fig. 17-7

## TRIANGLE-TO-SINE CONVERTERS



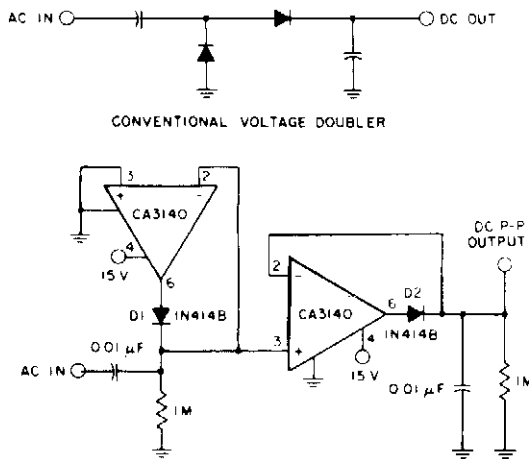
**Fig. 17-8**

$t_o = \frac{1}{3R_1C_1}$   
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### Circuit Notes

Conversion of triangle wave shapes to sinusoids is usually accomplished by diode-resistor shaping networks, which accurately reconstruct the sine wave segment by segment. Two simpler and less costly methods may be used to shape the triangle waveform of the 566 into a sinusoid with less than 2% distortion. The non-linear  $I_{DS}V_{DS}$  transfer characteristic of a P-channel junction FET is used to shape the triangle waveform. The amplitude of the triangle waveform is critical and must be carefully adjusted to achieve a low distortion sinusoidal output. Naturally, where additional waveform accuracy is needed, the diode-resistor shaping scheme can be applied to the 566 with excellent results since it has very good output amplitude stability when operated from a regulated supply.

## PRECISION PEAK-TO-PEAK AC-DC CONVERTER



GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

**Fig. 17-9**

### Circuit Notes

Using a CA3140 BiMOS op amp and a single positive supply converts a conventional voltage doubler with two precision diodes into a precision peak-to-peak ac-to-dc voltage converter having wide dynamic range and wide bandwidth.

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS

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## PHOTODIODE CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER

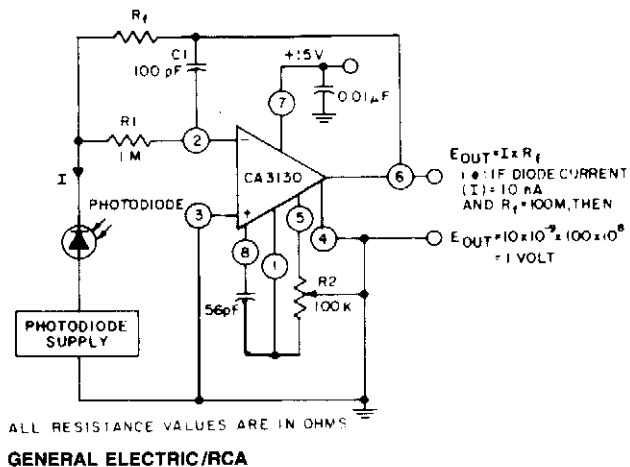
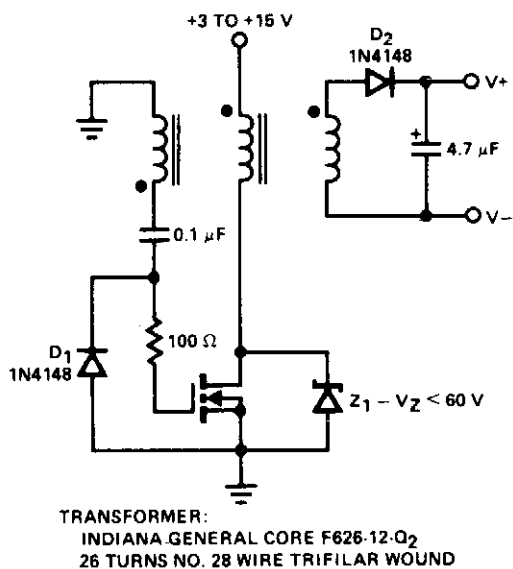


Fig. 17-10

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses three CA3130 BiMOS op amps in an application sensitive to sub-picoampere input currents. The circuit provides a ground-referenced output voltage proportional to input current flowing through the photodiode.

## SELF OSCILLATING FLYBACK CONVERTER



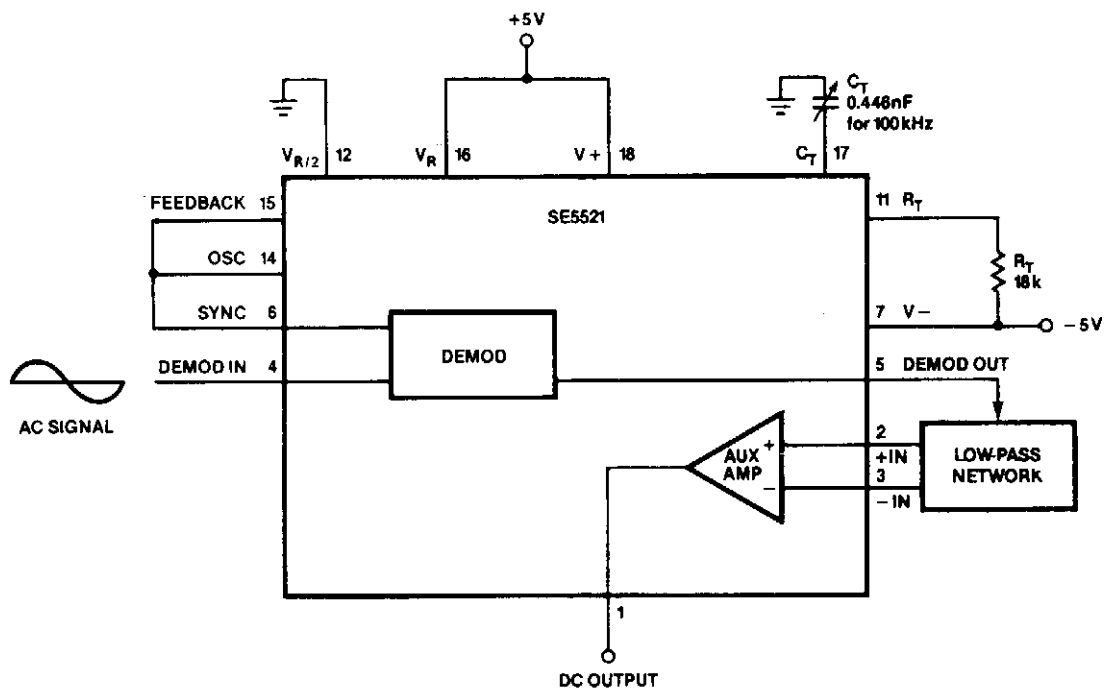
### Circuit Notes

Low-power converter uses the core characteristics to determine frequency. With the transformer shown, operating frequency is 250 kHz. Diode D1 prevents negative spikes from occurring at the MOSFET gate, the 100 ohm resistor is a parasitic suppressor, and Z1 serves as a dissipative voltage regulator for the output and also clips the drain voltage to a level below the rated power FET breakdown voltage.

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Fig. 17-11

## RMS-TO-DC CONVERTER



**NOTE:**

1. The DC output at Pin 1 varies linearly with the RMS input at Pin 4.
2. C<sub>T</sub> is tweaked until the sync signal is in phase with the AC signal.

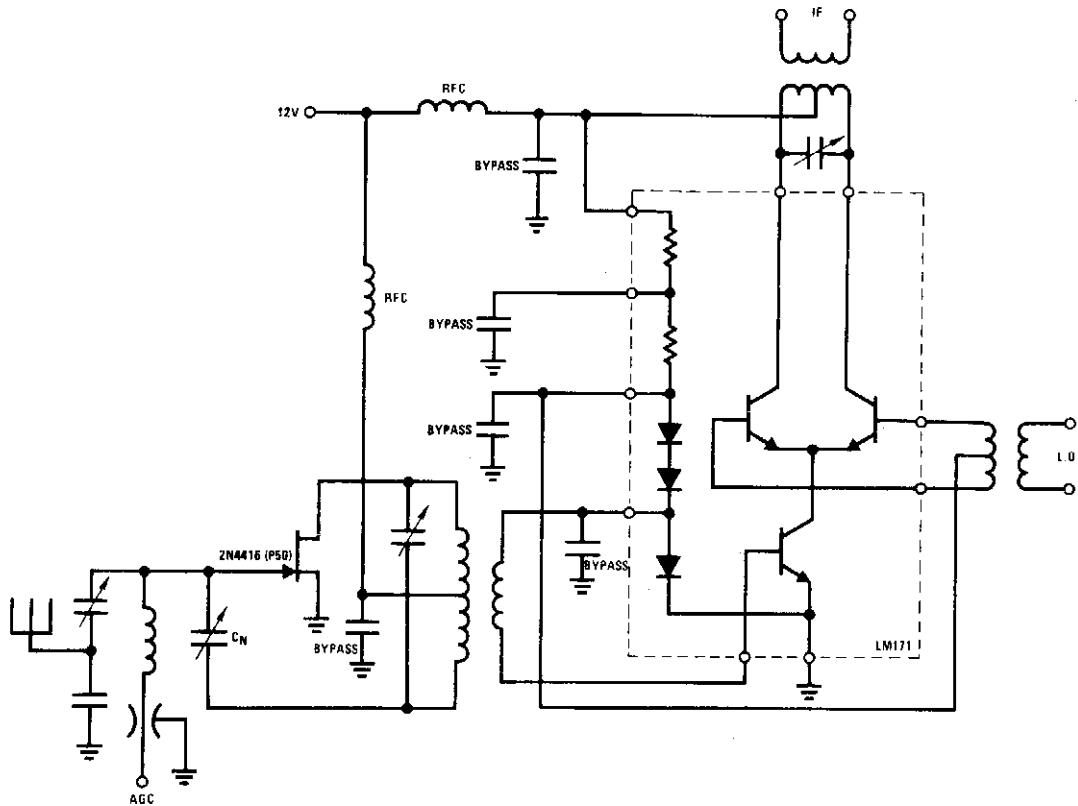
**SIGNETICS**

**Fig. 17-12**

### Circuit Notes

An ac voltmeter may be easily constructed. Simplicity of the circuit and low component count make it particularly attractive. The demodulator output is a full-wave rectified signal from the ac input at Pin 4. The dc component on the rectified signal at Pin 5 varies linearly with the rms input at Pin 4 and thus provides an accurate rms-to-dc conversion at the output of the filter (Pin 1). C<sub>T</sub> is a variable capacitor that is tweaked until the oscillator signal to the sync input of the demodulator is in phase with the ac signal at Pin 4.

## 100 MHz CONVERTER



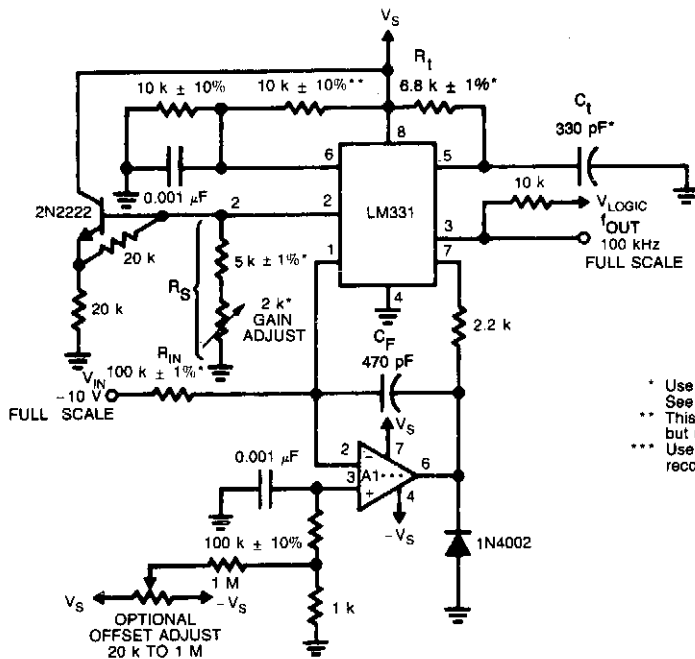
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

Fig. 17-13

### Circuit Notes

The 2N4416 JFET will provide noise figures of less than 3 dB and power gain of greater than 20 dB. The JFET's outstanding low crossmodulation and low intermodulation distortion provides an ideal characteristic for an input stage. The output feeds into an LM171 used as a balanced mixer. This configuration greatly reduces local oscillator radiation both into the antenna and into the *if* strip and also reduces *rf* signal feedthrough.

## PRECISION VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



- \* Use stable components with low temperature coefficients. See Typical Applications section.
- \*\* This resistor can be 5 k $\Omega$  or 10 k $\Omega$  for  $V_S = 8$  V to 22 V, but must be 10 k $\Omega$  = 4.5 V to 8 V.
- \*\*\* Use low offset voltage and low offset current op amps for A1; recommended types LF411A or LF356.

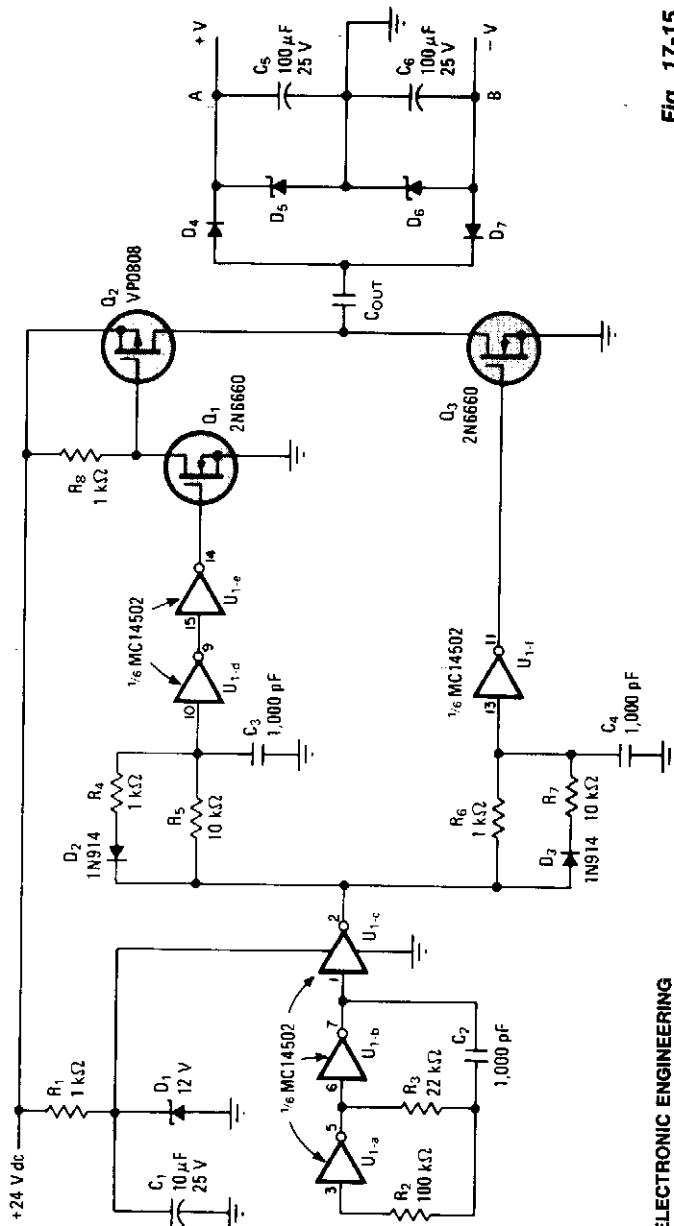
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Fig. 17-14

### Circuit Notes

In this circuit, integration is performed by using a conventional operational amplifier and feedback capacitor,  $C_F$ . When the integrator's output crosses the nominal threshold level at pin 6 of the LM131, the timing cycle is initiated. The average current fed into the op amp's summing point (pin 2) is  $i \times (1.1 R_t C_t) \times f$  which is perfectly balanced with  $-V_{IN}/R_{IN}$ . In this circuit, the voltage offset of the LM131 input comparator does not affect the offset or accuracy of the V-to-F converter as it does in the stand-alone V-to-F converter, nor does the LM131 bias current or offset current. Instead, the offset voltage and offset current of the operational amplifier are the only limits on how small the signal can be accurately converted.

## BIPOLAR DC-DC CONVERTER REQUIRES NO INDUCTOR



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### Circuit Notes

Inverters U1a and U1b form a 20-kilohertz oscillator whose square wave output—further shaped by D2, R4, and R5 and by D3, R6, and R7—drives power field-effect transistors Q2 and Q3. The p-channel and n-channel FETs conduct alternately, in a push-pull configuration. When Q2 conducts, the positive charge on C<sub>out</sub> forces diode D4 to conduct as well, which produces a positive voltage, determined by zener diode D5, at terminal A. Similarly, when Q3, in its turn conducts, the negative charge on C<sub>out</sub> forces D7 to do so as well. A negative voltage, therefore, develops at terminal B, whose level is set by D6.

Fig. 17-15



# 18

## Counters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

8-Digit Up/Down Counter  
Ring Counter with Variable Timing  
20 kHz Ring Counter  
Binary Counter  
100 MHz Frequency, Period Counter  
Analog Counter Circuit  
Attendance Counter  
10 MHz Universal Counter

## 8-DIGIT UP/DOWN COUNTER

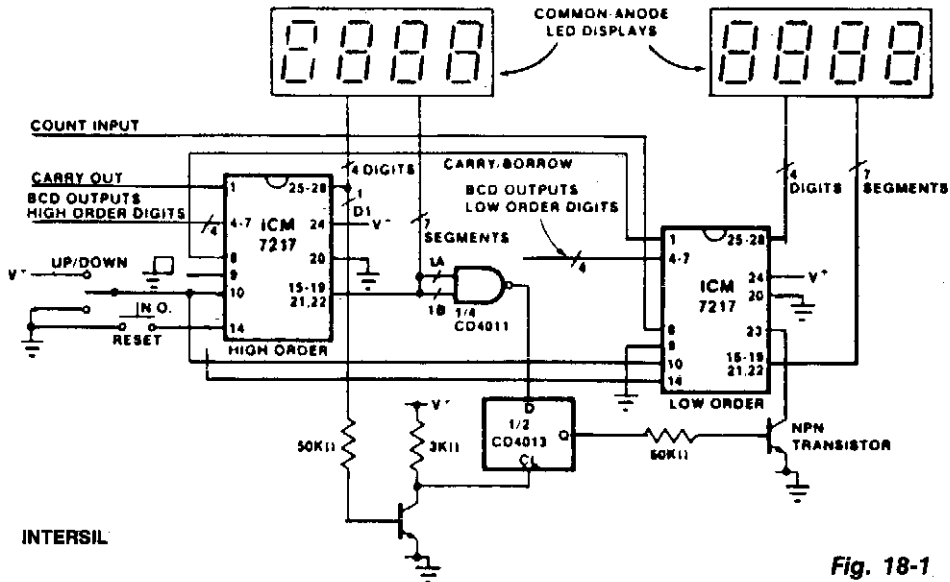
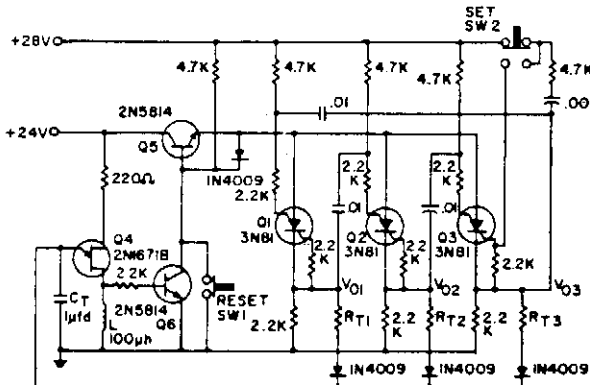


Fig. 18-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit shows how to cascade counters and retain correct leading zero blanking. The NAND gate detects whether a digit is active since one of the two segments a or b is active on any unblanked number. The flip flop is clocked by the least significant digit of the high order counter, and if this digit is not blanked, the Q output of the flip flop goes high and turns on the npn transistor, thereby inhibiting leading zero blanking on the low order counter.

## RING COUNTER WITH VARIABLE TIMING

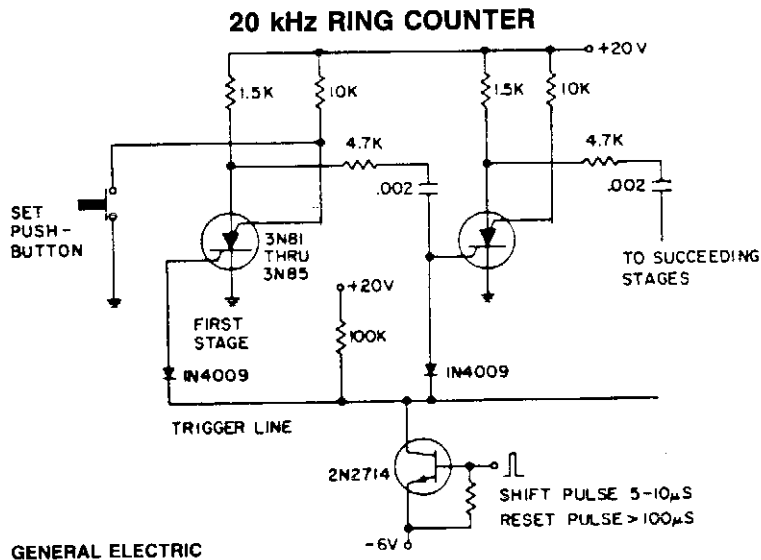


GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 18-2

### Circuit Notes

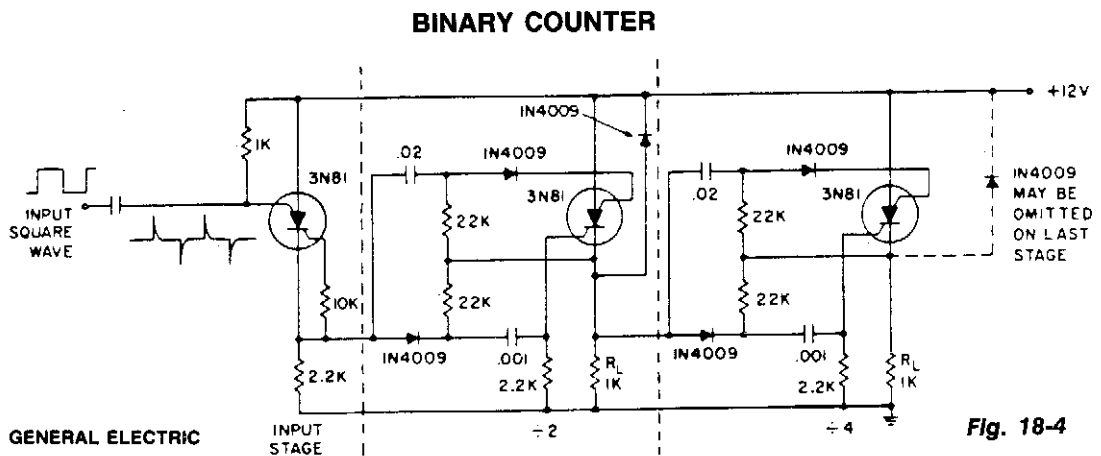
Shift pulses are generated by the unijunction transistors. The intervals between pulses are controlled by  $C_T$  and  $R_T$ . A different  $R_T$  can be selected for each stage of the counter as shown.



**Fig. 18-3**

#### Circuit Notes

The shift pulse turns off the conducting scs by reverse biasing the cathode gate. The charge stored on the coupling capacitor then triggers the next stage. An excessively long shift pulse charges up all the capacitors, turning off all stages. Grounding an anode gate will "set" that stage.

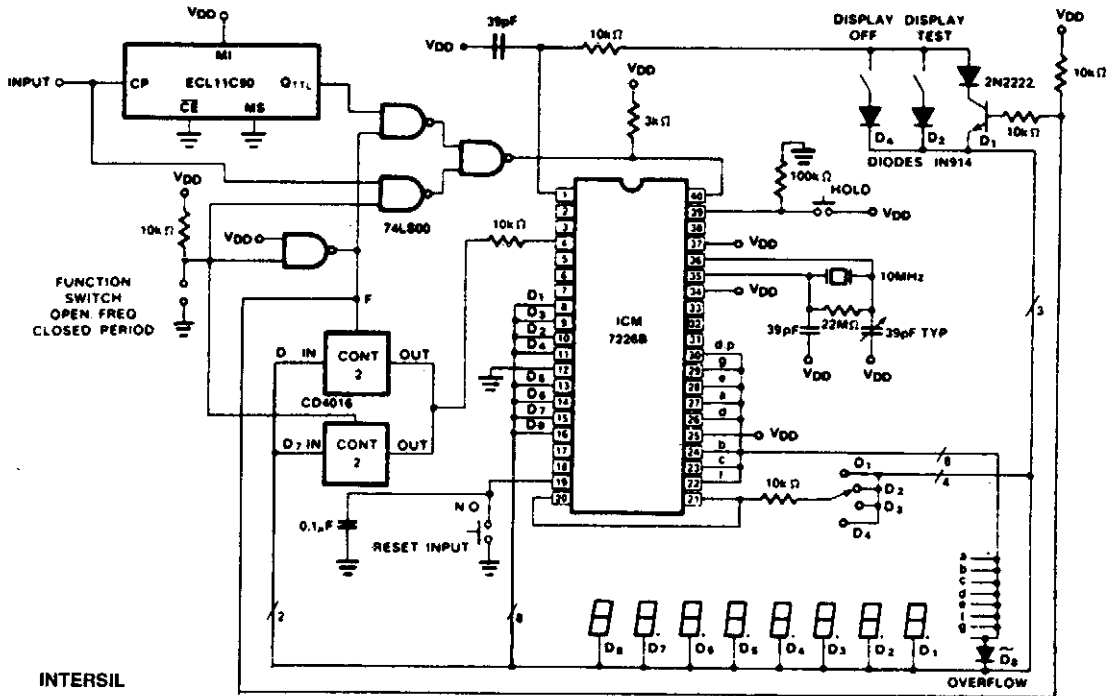


**Fig. 18-4**

#### Circuit Notes

Stages are triggered by the positive going edge. The scs is turned on at the cathode gate; turned off at the anode gate. The anode-to-cathode IN4009 suppresses positive transients while the scs is recovering. The input stage generates fast positive edges to trigger the counter.

## 100 MHz FREQUENCY, PERIOD COUNTER



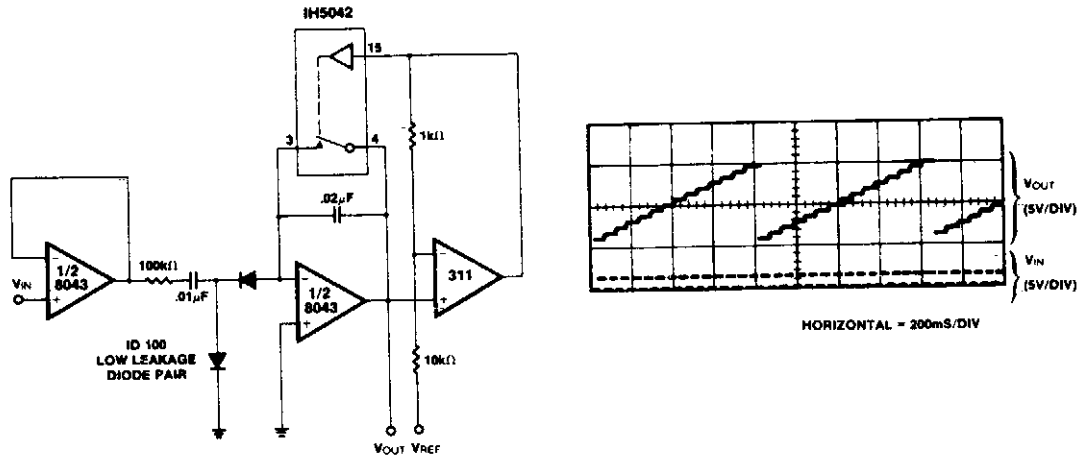
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Fig. 18-5

### Circuit Notes

The figure shows the use of a CD4016 analog multiplex to multiplex the digital outputs back to the FUNCTION input. Since the CD4016 is a digitally controlled analog transmission gate, no level shifting of the digit output is required. The CD4051's or CD4052's could also be used to select the proper inputs for the multiplexed input on the ICM7226 from 2 or 3 bit digital inputs. These analog multiplexers may also be used in systems in which the mode of operation is controlled by a microprocessor rather than directly from front panel switches. TTL multiplexers such as the 74LS153 or 74LS251 may also be used, but some additional circuitry will be required to convert the digit output to TTL compatible logic levels.

## ANALOG COUNTER CIRCUIT



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Fig. 18-6

### Circuit Notes

A straightforward circuit using a LM311 for the level detector and a CMOS analog gate to discharge the capacitor is shown. An important property of this type of counter is the ease with which the count can be changed; it is only necessary to change the voltage at which the comparator trips. A low cost A-D converter can also be designed using the same principle since the digital count between reset periods is directly proportional to the analog voltage used as a reference for the comparator. A considerable amount of hysteresis is used in the comparator. This ensures that the capacitor is completely discharged during the reset period. In a more sophisticated circuit, a dual comparator "window detector" could be used, the lower trip point is set close to ground to ensure complete discharge. The upper trip point could then be adjusted independently to determine the pulse count.

## ATTENDANCE COUNTER

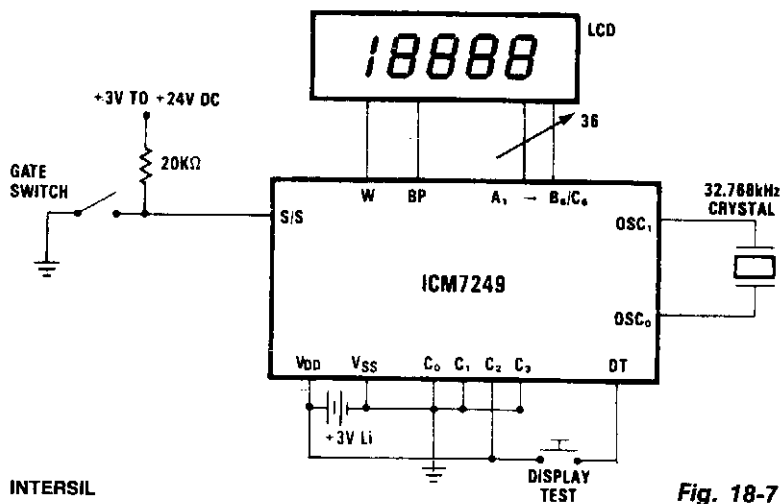


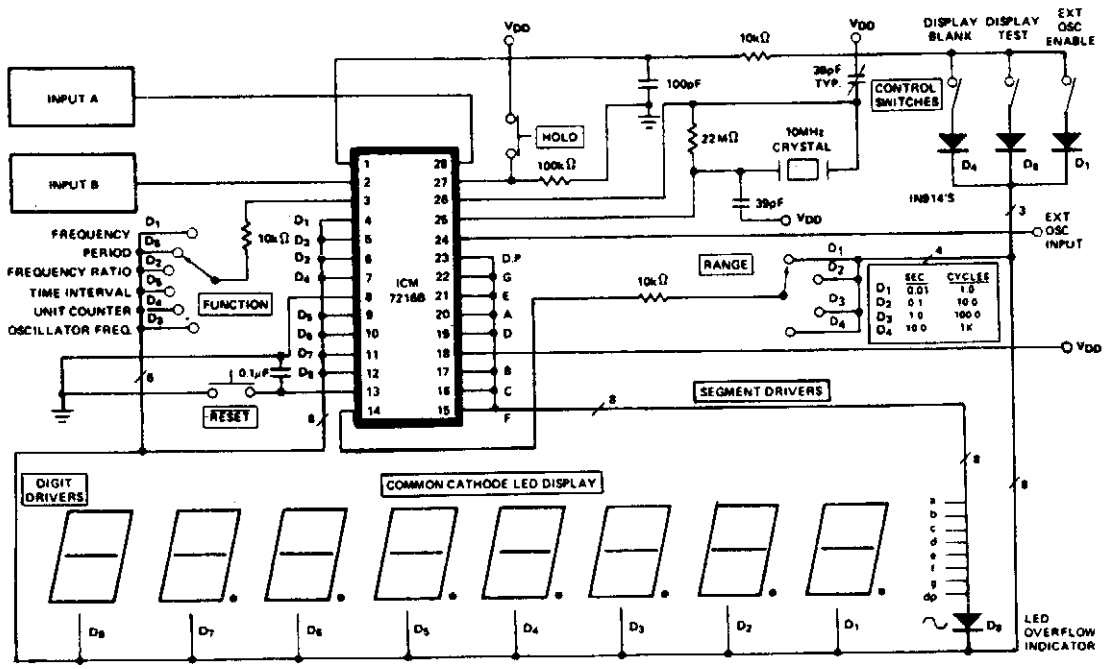
Fig. 18-7

### Circuit Notes

The display shows each increment. By using mode 2, external debouncing of the gate switch is unnecessary, provided the switch bounce is less than 35ms. The 3 V lithium battery can be replaced without disturbing operation if a suitable capacitor is connected in parallel with it. The display should be disconnected, if possible, during the procedure to minimize current drain. The capacitor should be large enough to store charge for the amount of time needed to physically replace the battery ( $t = VC/I$ ). A 100  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor initially charged to 3 V will supply a current of 1.0  $\mu\text{A}$  for 50 seconds before its voltage drops to 2.5 V, which is the minimum operating voltage for the ICM7249.

Before the battery is removed, the capacitor should be placed in parallel, across the  $V_{\text{DD}}$  and GND terminals. After the battery is replaced, the capacitor can be removed and the display reconnected.

## 10 MHz UNIVERSAL COUNTER



LC01801

INTERSIL

**Fig. 18-8**

### Circuit Notes

The ICM7216A or B can be used as a minimum component complete Universal Counter. This circuit can use input frequencies up to 10 MHz at INPUT A and 2 MHz at INPUT B. If the signal at INPUT A has a very low duty cycle it may be necessary to use a 74121 monostable multivibrator or similar circuit to stretch the input pulse width to be able to guarantee that it is at least 50 ns in duration.

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## Crystal Oscillators

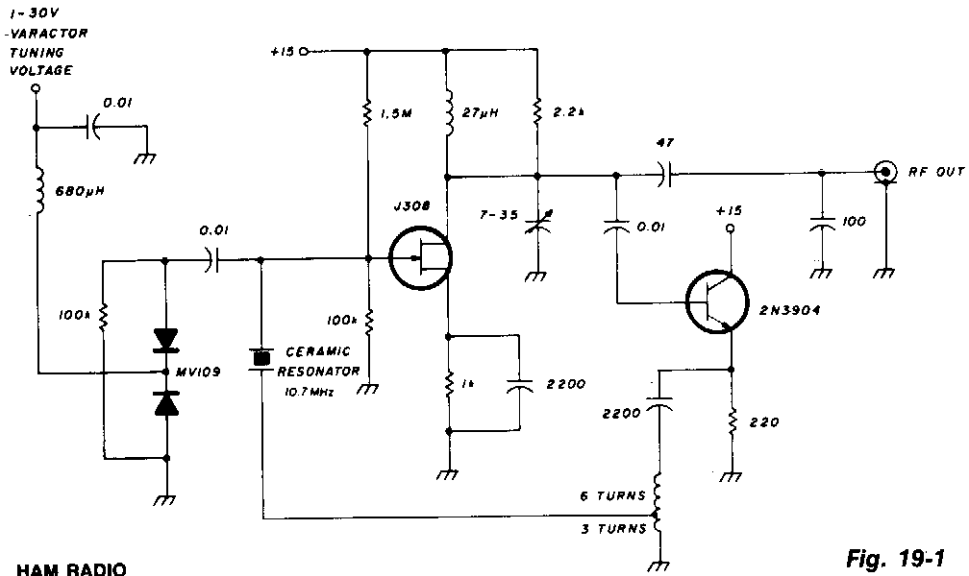
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| Varactor-Tuned 10 MHz Ceramic Resonator Oscillator                      | Low-Frequency Crystal Oscillator—10 kHz–150 kHz                 |
| 10 MHz Crystal-Controlled Oscillator                                    | Overtone Crystal Oscillator                                     |
| Low Power, 5V Driven, Temperature Compensated Crystal Oscillator (TXCO) | Colpitts Oscillator   |
| Crystal-Controlled LO for SSB Transmitter                               | Crystal-Controlled Oscillator                                   |
| Crystal Oscillator  | High-Frequency Crystal Oscillator                               |
| Crystal Controlled Signal Source  | Crystal-Controlled Oscillator Operates from One Mercury Cell    |
| 1 MHz FET Crystal Oscillator  | High-Frequency Signal Generator                                 |
| Pierce Crystal Oscillator   | Crystal Tester  |
| IC-Compatible Crystal Oscillator  | Crystal Stabilized IC Timer can Provide Subharmonic Frequencies |
| Crystal Oscillator Provides Low Noise                                   |   |



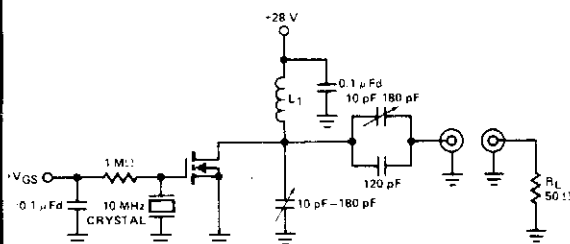
## VARACTOR-TUNED 10 MHz CERAMIC RESONATOR OSCILLATOR



### Circuit Notes

The FET input amplifier has fixed bias with source feedback. This provides a very high input impedance with very low capacitance. The FET amplifier drives an emitter follower which, in spite of the fact that it has a low output impedance, feeds a transformer with a 3:1 turns ratio for a nine-fold impedance reduction. The result is an impedance at the ceramic resonator of a few ohms maximum. The varactor-tuned ceramic resonator oscillator has a significant frequency-temperature coefficient. The tuning range of the VCO is approximately 232 kHz, with a temperature coefficient of 350 Hz per degree centigrade. When using this circuit as a VCO, the entire 232 kHz range cannot be used because some of the tuning range must be sacrificed for the temperature dependence. If the required tuning range were 200 kHz, leaving 32 kHz for temperature variation, the resulting temperature variation would be more than 90°C.

## 10 MHz CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



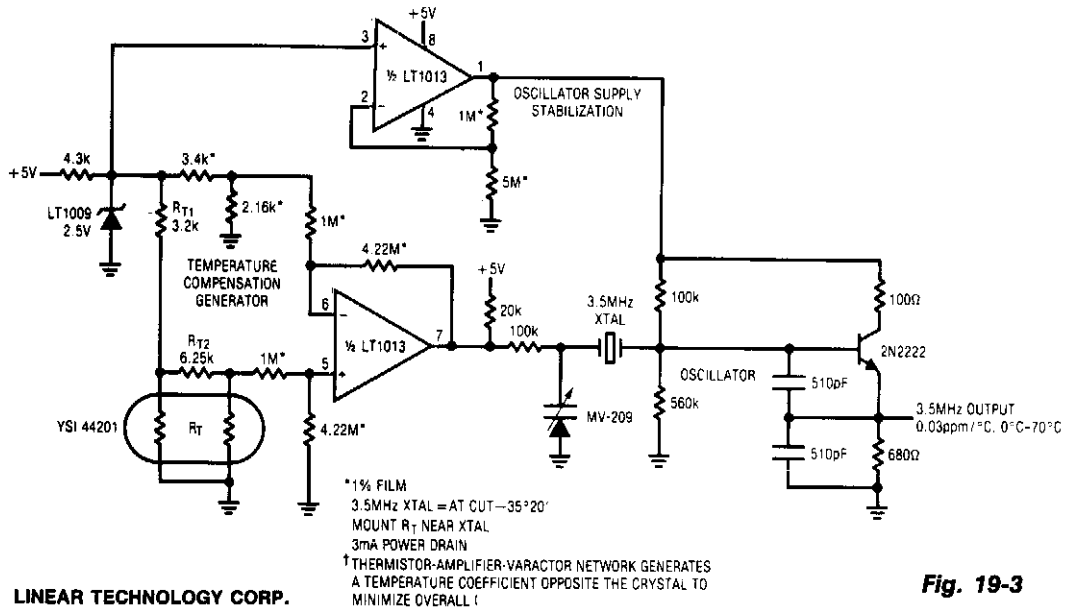
### Circuit Notes

This xtal oscillator is a FET equivalent of a vacuum tube tuned to plate-tuned grid xtal oscillator. Feedback is via the drain to gate capacitance.

### Parts List

L<sub>1</sub> ~ 18 turns #22 enameled wire on micrometals T-50-6 torroid core. ≈ 1.0 µH.

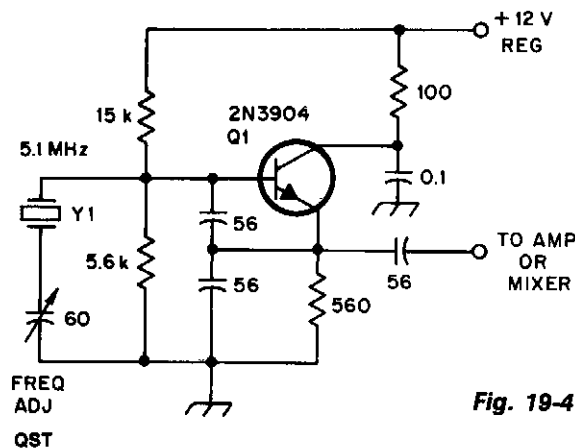
## LOW POWER, 5 V DRIVEN, TEMPERATURE COMPENSATED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR (TXCO)



**Fig. 19-3**

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED LOCAL OSCILLATOR FOR SSB TRANSMITTER

OSC.



**Fig. 19-4**

### Circuit Notes

This oscillator may contain several switched crystals to provide channelized operation. A buffer amplifier may be added, if desired.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

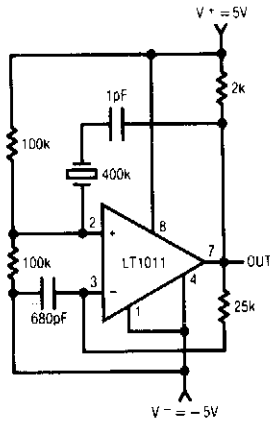


Fig. 19-5

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses an LT1011 comparator biased in its linear mode and a crystal to establish its resonant frequency. This circuit can achieve a few hundred kHz, temperature independent clock frequency with nearly 50% duty cycle.

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED SIGNAL SOURCE

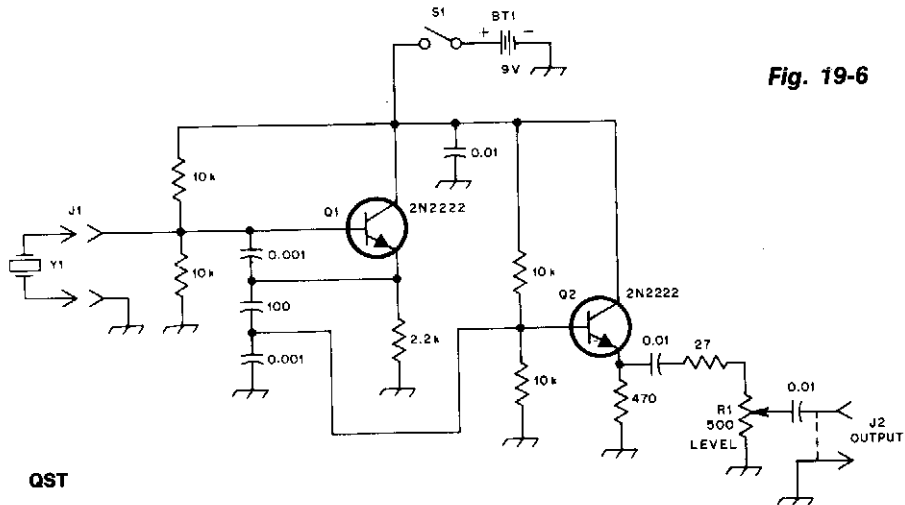


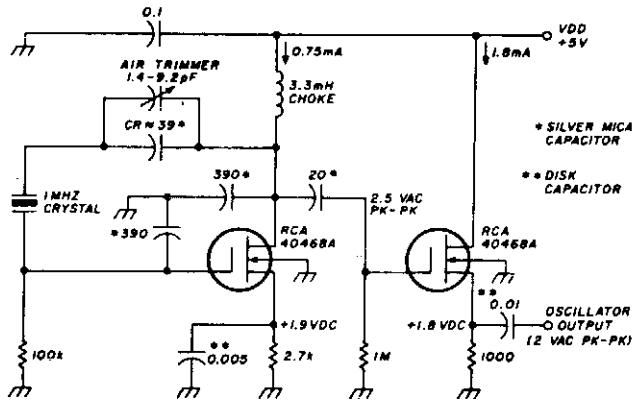
Fig. 19-6

QST

### Circuit Notes

This general purpose signal source serves very well in signal-tracing applications. The output level is variable to more than 1 Vrms into a 50  $\Omega$  load. Almost any crystal in the 1 to 15 MHz range can be used. Q1 forms a Colpitts oscillator with the output taken from the emitter. A capacitive voltage divider (across the 2.2 K emitter resistor) reduces the voltage applied to the buffer amplifier, Q2. The buffer and emitter follower, provides the low input impedance necessary to drive 50  $\Omega$  loads.

### 1 MHz FET CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



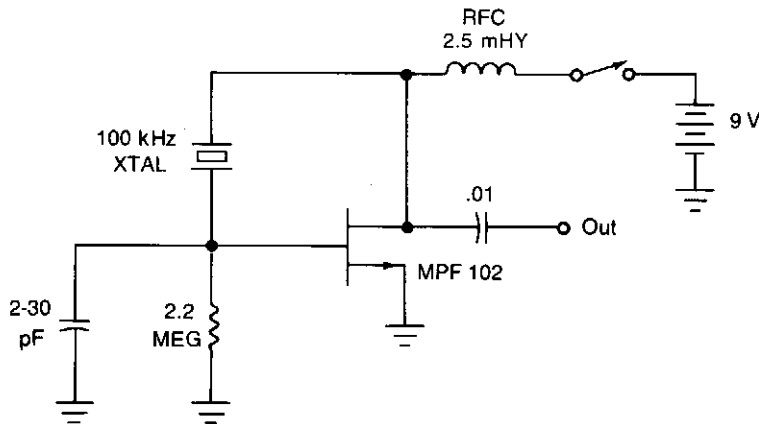
HAM RADIO

Fig. 19-7

#### Circuit Notes

This stable oscillator circuit exhibits less than 1 Hz frequency change over a  $V_{DD}$  range of 3-9 volts. Stability is attributed to the use of MOSFET devices and the use of stable capacitors.

### PIERCE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 19-8

#### Circuit Notes

The JFET Pierce oscillator is stable and simple. It can be the clock of a microprocessor, a digital timepiece or a calculator. With a probe at the output, it can be used as a precise injection oscillator for troubleshooting. Attach a small length of wire at the output and this circuit becomes a micropower transmitter.

### IC-COMPATIBLE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

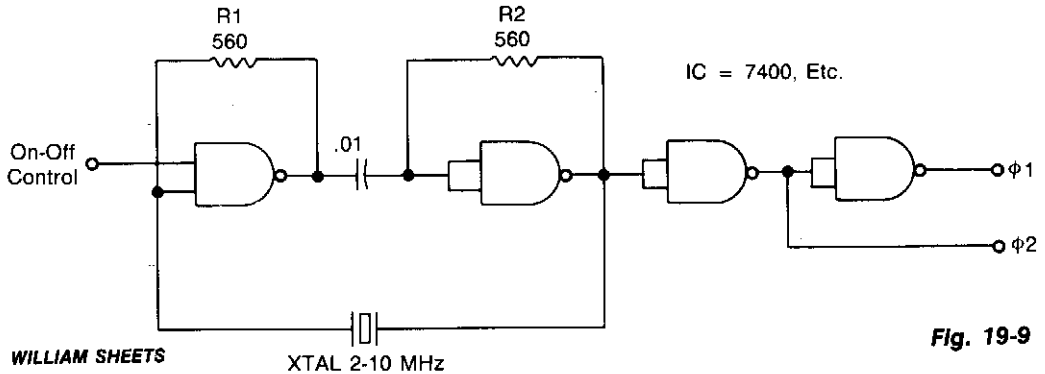


Fig. 19-9

#### Circuit Notes

Resistors R1 and R2 temperature-stabilize the NAND gates; they also ensure that the gates are in a linear region for starting. Capacitor C1 is a dc block; it must have less than  $\frac{1}{10}$  ohm impedance at the operating frequency. The crystal runs in a series-resonant mode. Its series resistance must be low; AT-cut crystals for the 1- to 10-MHz range work well. The output waveshape has nearly a 50% duty cycle, with chip-limited rise times. The circuit starts well from 0° to 70°C.

### CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR PROVIDES LOW NOISE

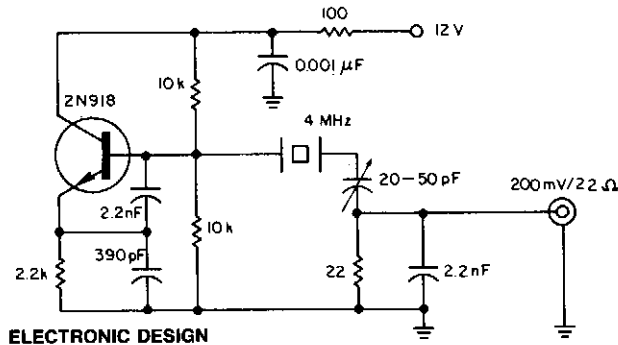


Fig. 19-10

#### Circuit Notes

The oscillator delivers an output of high spectral purity without any substantial sacrifice of the usual stability of a crystal oscillator. The crystal in addition to determining the oscillator's frequency, is used also as a low-pass filter for the unwanted harmonics and as a bandpass filter for the sideband noise. The noise bandwidth is limited to less than 100 Hz. All higher harmonics are substantially suppressed—60 dB down for the third harmonic of the 4-MHz fundamental oscillator frequency.

## LOW-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR—10 kHz to 150 kHz

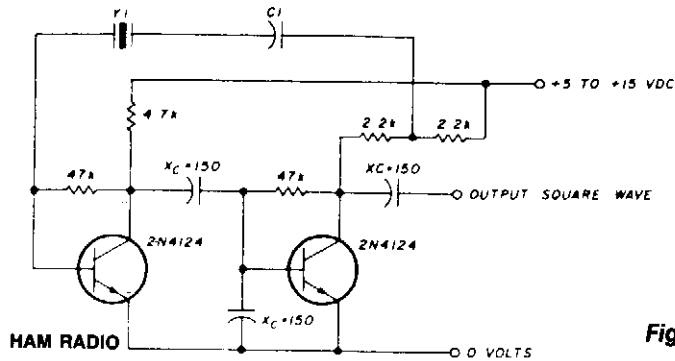


Fig. 19-11

### Circuit Notes

C1 in series with the crystal may be used to adjust the oscillator output frequency. Value may range between 20 pF and 0.01  $\mu$ F, or may be a trimmer capacitor and will approximately equal the crystal load capacitance. X values are approximate and can vary for most circuits and frequencies; this is also true for resistance values. Adequate power supply decoupling is required; local decoupling capacitors near the oscillator are recommended. All leads should be extremely short in high frequency circuits.

## OVERTONE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

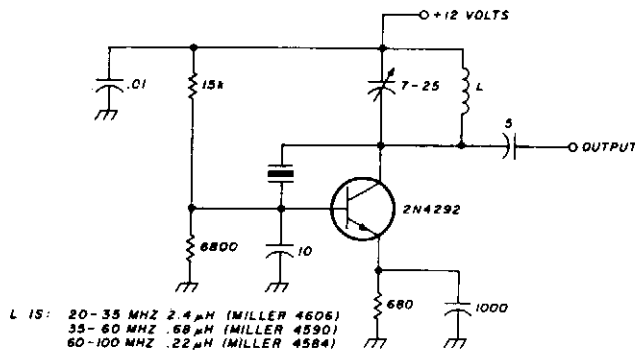
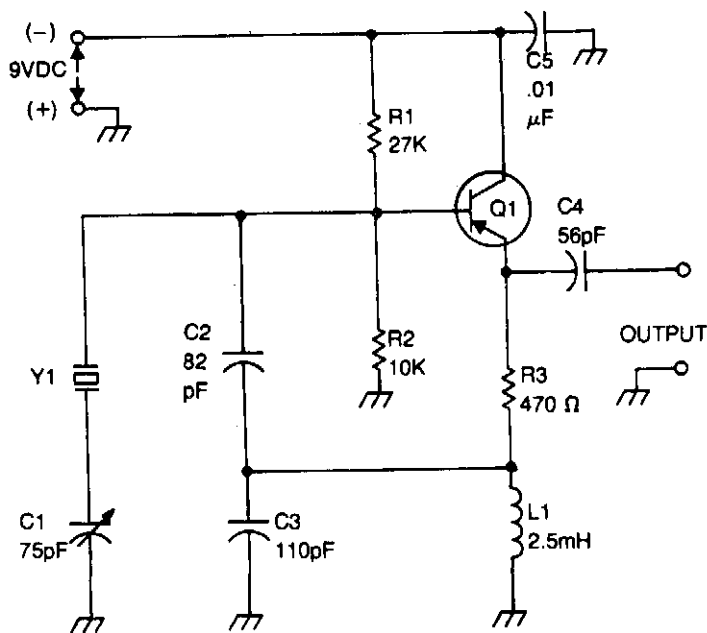


Fig. 19-12

### Circuit Notes

This oscillator is designed for overtone crystals in the 20-100 MHz range operating in the third and fifth mode. Operating frequency is determined by the tuned circuit.

## COLPITTS OSCILLATOR



TAB BOOKS, INC.

Fig. 19-13

### Circuit Notes

Bias for the pnp bipolar transistor is provided by resistor voltage divider network R1/R2. The collector of the oscillator transistor is kept at ac ground by capacitor C5, placed close to the transistor. Feedback is provided by capacitor voltage divider C2/C3.

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

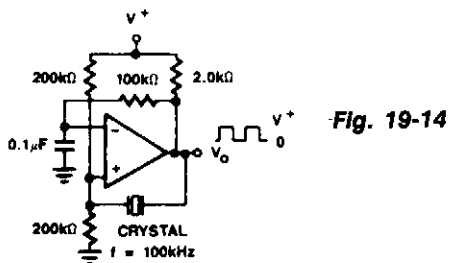
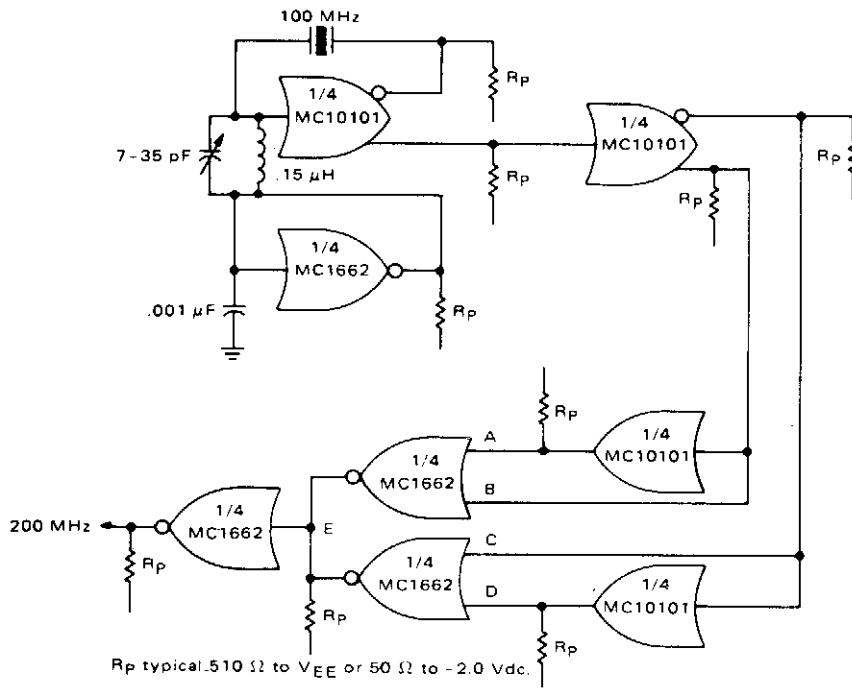


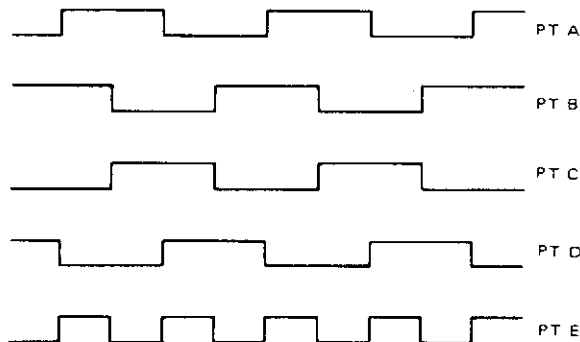
Fig. 19-14

SIGNETICS

## HIGH-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



200 MHz Crystal Oscillator



Frequency Doubler Waveforms

MOTOROLA, INC.

Fig. 19-15



## HIGH-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR, Continued.

### Circuit Notes

A high-speed oscillator is possible by combining an MECL 10 K crystal oscillator with an MECL III frequency doubler as shown. One section of the MC10101 is connected as a 100 MHz crystal oscillator with the crystal in series with the feedback loop. The LC tank circuit tunes the 100 MHz harmonic of the crystal and may be used to calibrate the circuit to the exact frequency. A second section of the MC10101 buffers the crystal oscillator and gives complementary 100 MHz signals. The frequency doubler consists of two MC10101 gates as phase shifters and two MC1662 NOR gates. For a 50% duty cycle at the output, the delay to the true and complement 100 MHz signals should be 90°. This may be built precisely with 2.5 ns delay lines for the 200 MHz output or approximated by the two MC10101 gates. The gates are easier to incorporate and cause only a slight skew in output signal duty cycle. The MC1662 gates combine the 4 phase 100 MHz signals as shown in Figure B. The outputs of the MC1662's are wire-OR connected to give the 200 MHz signal. MECL III gates are used because of the bandwidth required for 200 MHz signals. One of the remaining MC1662 gates is used as a  $V_{BB}$  bias generator for the oscillator. By connecting the NOR output to the input, the circuit stays in the center of the logic swing or at  $V_{BB}$ . A 0.001  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor ensures the  $V_{BB}$  circuit does not oscillate.

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR OPERATES FROM ONE MERCURY CELL

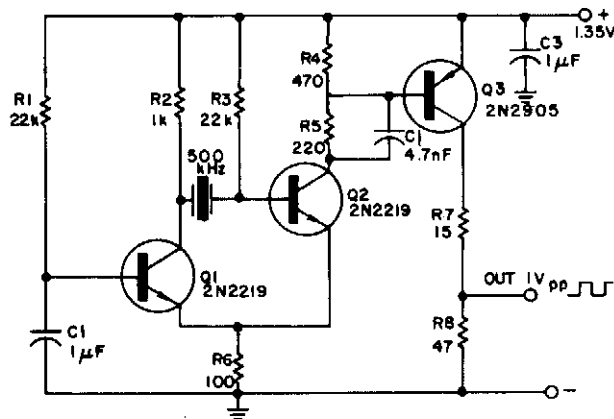


Fig. 19-16

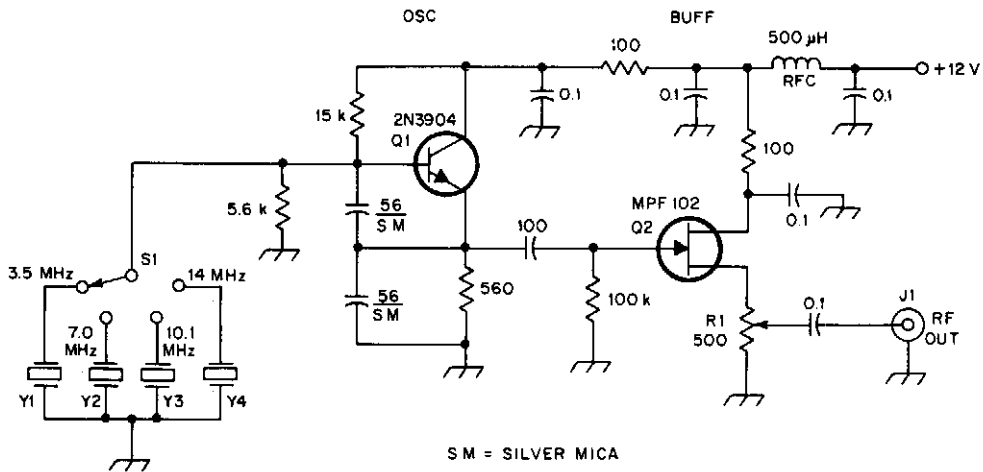
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Inexpensive crystal controlled oscillator operates from a 1.35-volt source.

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is powered by a single 1.35 V mercury cell and provides a 1 V square-wave output. As shown, the crystal is a tuned circuit between transistors Q1 and Q2, which are connected in the common-emitter configuration. Positive feedback provided by means of R permits oscillation. The signal at the collector of Q2 is squared by Q3, which switches between cutoff and saturation. R7 permits short-circuit-proof operation.

## HIGH FREQUENCY SIGNAL GENERATOR



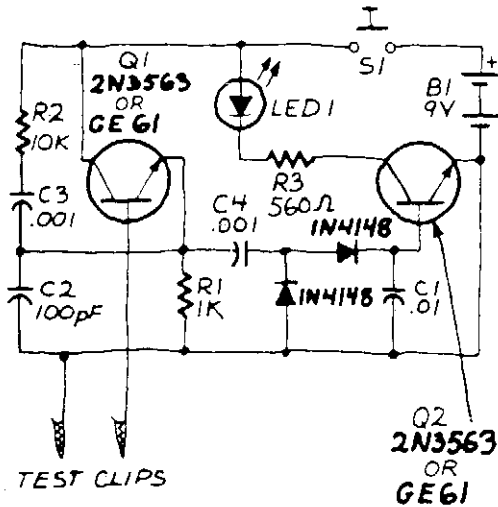
QST

Fig. 19-17

### Circuit Notes

A tapped-coil Colpitts oscillator is used at Q1 to provide four tuning ranges from 1.7 to 3.1 MHz, 3.0 to 5.6 MHz, 5.0 to 12 MHz and 11.5 to 31 MHz. A Zener diode (D2) is used at Q1 to lower the operating voltage of the oscillator. A small value capacitor is used at C5 to ensure light coupling to the tuned circuit. Q2 is a source-follower buffer stage. It helps to isolate the oscillator from the generator-output load. The source of Q2 is broadly tuned by means of RFC1. Energy from Q2 is routed to a fed-back, broadband class-A amplifier. A 2 dB attenuator is used at the output of T1 to provide a 50 ohm termination for Q3 and to set the generator-output impedance at 50 ohms. C16, C17 and RFC2 form a brute-force-RF decoupling network to keep the generator energy from radiating outside the box on the 12 V supply.

## CRYSTAL TESTER



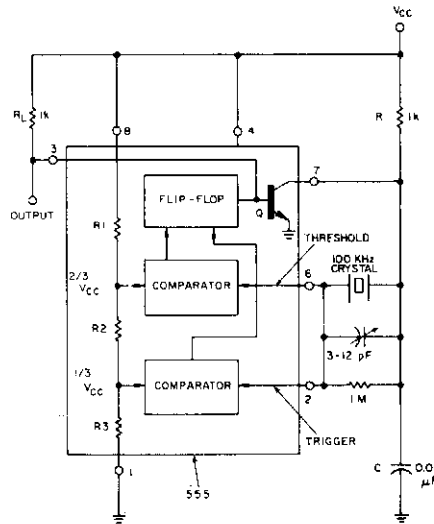
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 19-18

### Circuit Notes

Transistor Q1, a 2N3563, and its associated components form an oscillator circuit that will oscillate if, and only if, a good crystal is connected to the test clips. The output from the oscillator is then rectified by the two 1N4148 diodes and filtered by C1, a .01  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor. The positive voltage developed across the capacitor is applied to the base of Q2, another 2N3563, causing it to conduct. When that happens, current flows through LED1, causing it to glow. Since only a good crystal will oscillate, a glowing LED indicates that the crystal is indeed OK. The circuit is powered by a standard nine-volt transistor-radio battery and the SPST pushbutton power-switch is included to prolong battery life.

## CRYSTAL-STABILIZED IC TIMER CAN PROVIDE SUBHARMONIC FREQUENCIES



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 19-19

The trimmer across the crystal can finely tune the circuit's oscillating frequency.

# 20

## Current Meters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Ammeter with Six Decade Range  
Current Sensing in Supply Rails  
Pico Ammeter  
Electrometer Amplifier with Overload Protection  
Guarded Input Picoammeter Circuit  
Ammeter with Six Decade Range  
Picoammeter Circuit



## PICO AMMETER

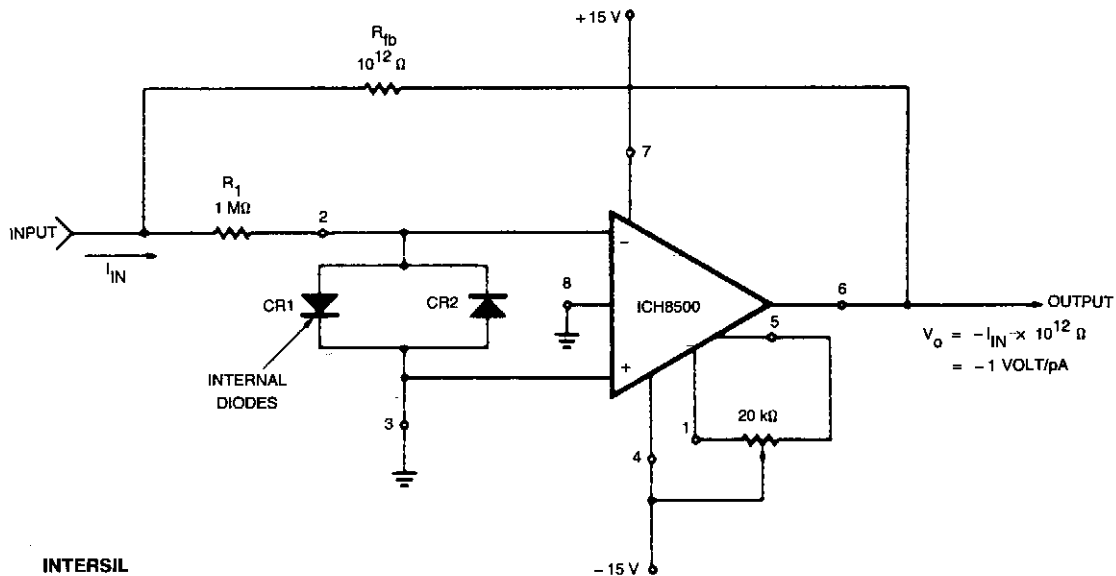
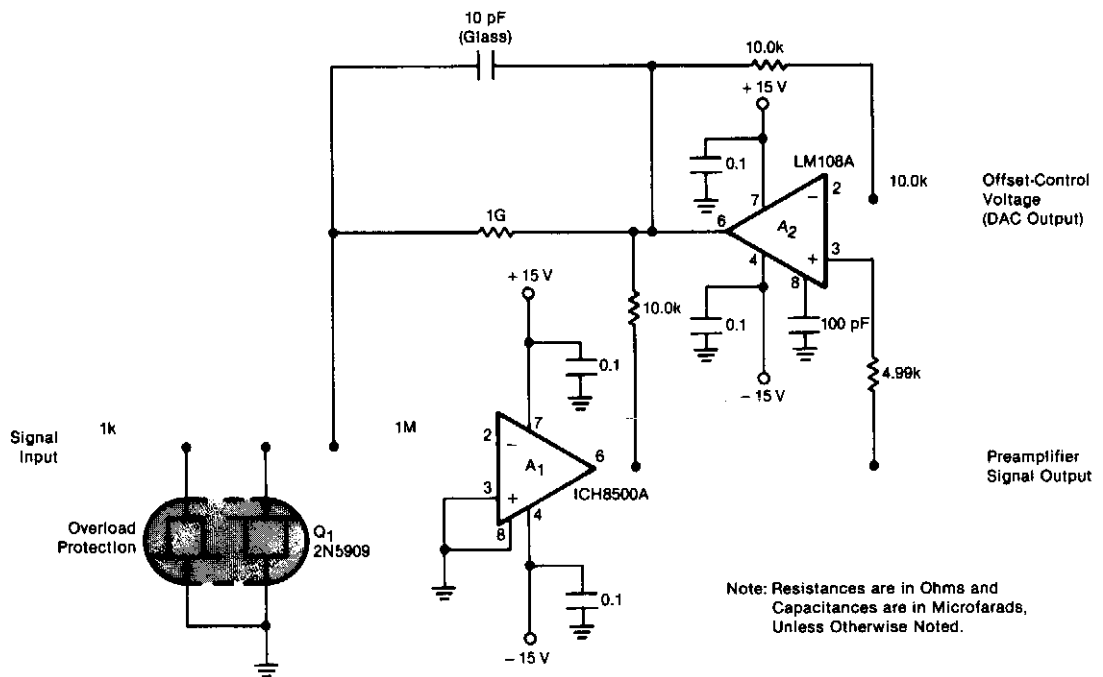


Fig. 20-3

### Circuit Notes

Care must be taken to eliminate any stray currents from flowing into the current summing node. This can be accomplished by forcing all points surrounding the input to the same potential as the input. In this case the potential of the input is at virtual ground, or 0V. Therefore, the case of the device is grounded to intercept any stray leakage currents that may otherwise exist between the  $\pm 15$  V input terminals and the inverting input summing junctions. Feedback capacitance should be kept to a minimum in order to maximize the response time of the circuit to step function input currents. The time constant of the circuit is approximately the product of the feedback capacitance  $C_{fb}$  times the feedback resistor  $R_{fb}$ . For instance, the time constant of the circuit is 1 sec if  $C_{fb} = 1$  pF. Thus, it takes approximately 5 sec (5 time constants) for the circuit to stabilize to within 1% of its final output voltage after a step function of input current has been applied.  $C_{fb}$  of less than 0.2 to 0.3 pF can be achieved with proper circuit layout.

## ELECTROMETER AMPLIFIER WITH OVERLOAD PROTECTION



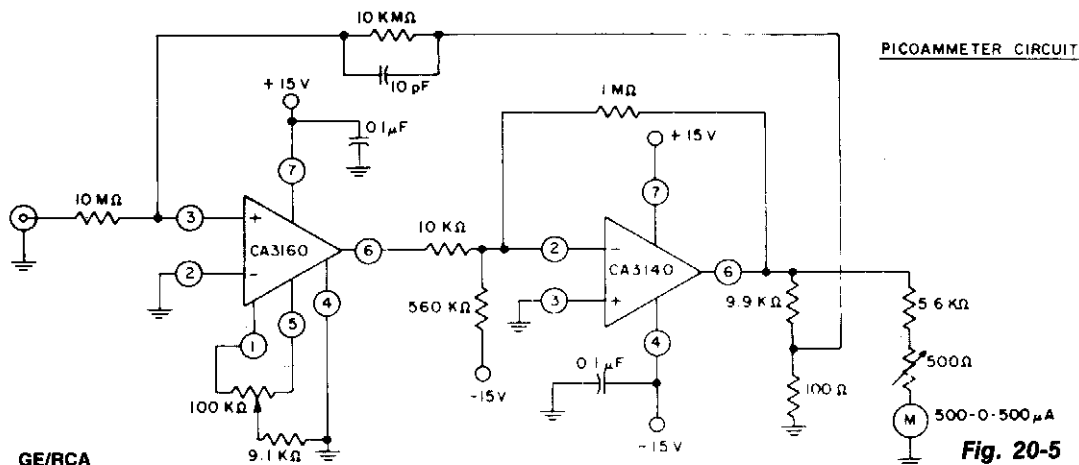
NASA TECH BRIEFS

Fig. 20-4

### Circuit Notes

The preamplifier is protected from excessive input signals of either polarity by the 2N5909 junction field-effect transistor. A nulling circuit makes it possible to set the preamplifier output voltage to zero at a fixed low level (up to  $\pm 10^{-8}$ A) of the input current. (This level is called the standing current and corresponds to the zero-signal level of the instrumentation.) The opposing (offset) current is generated in the  $10^9$  feedback resistor to buck the standing current. Different current ranges are reached by feeding the preamplifier output to low and high gain amplifier chains. To reduce noise, each chain includes a 1.5 Hz corner active filter.

## GUARDED INPUT PICOAMMETER CIRCUIT



GE/RCA

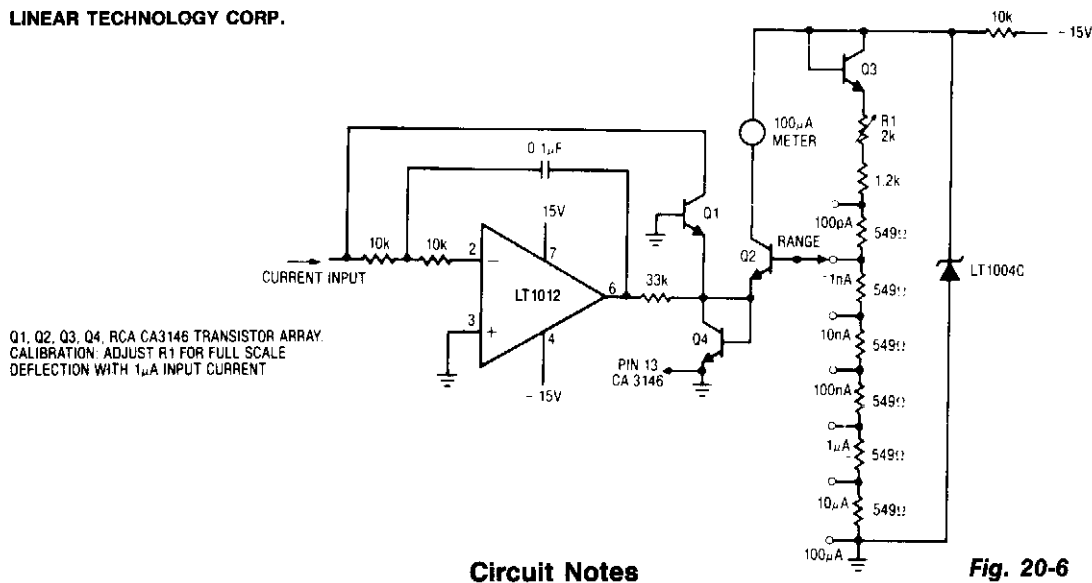
**Fig. 20-5**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit utilizes CA3160 and CA3140 BiMOS op amps to provide a full-scale meter deflection of  $\pm 3 \mu\text{A}$ . The CA3140 serves as an X100 gain stage to provide the required plus and minus output swing for the meter and feedback network. Terminals 2 and 4 of the CA3160 are at ground potential, thus its input is operated in the "guarded mode."

## AMMETER WITH SIX DECADE RANGE

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.



Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, RCA CA3146 TRANSISTOR ARRAY.  
CALIBRATION: ADJUST R1 FOR FULL SCALE  
DEFLECTION WITH  $1 \mu\text{A}$  INPUT CURRENT

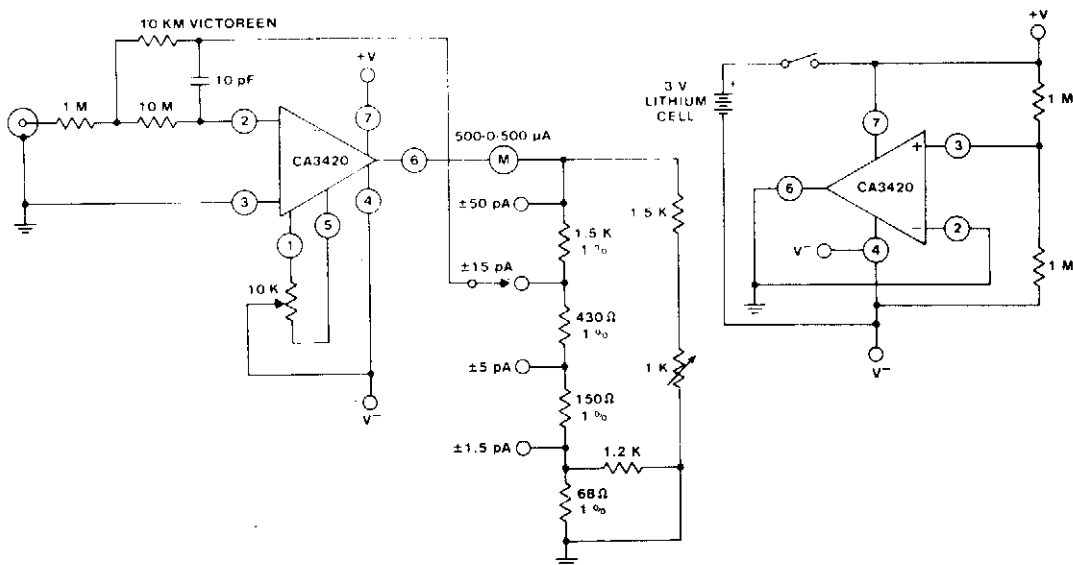
### Circuit Notes

**Fig. 20-6**

The Ammeter measures currents from  $100 \text{ pA}$  to  $100 \mu\text{A}$  without the use of expensive high value resistors. Accuracy at  $100 \mu\text{A}$  is limited by the offset voltage between Q1 and Q2 and, at  $100 \text{ pA}$ , by the inverting bias current of the LT1008.



## PICOAMMETER CIRCUIT



GENERAL ELECTRIC /RCA

Fig. 20-7

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses the exceptionally low input current (0.1 pA) of the CA3420 BiMOS op amp. With only a single 10 megohm resistor, the circuit covers the range from  $\pm 50$  pA maximum to a full-scale sensitivity of  $\pm 1.5$  pA. Using an additional CA3420, a low-resistance center tap is obtained from a single 3-volt lithium battery.

# 21

## Demodulators

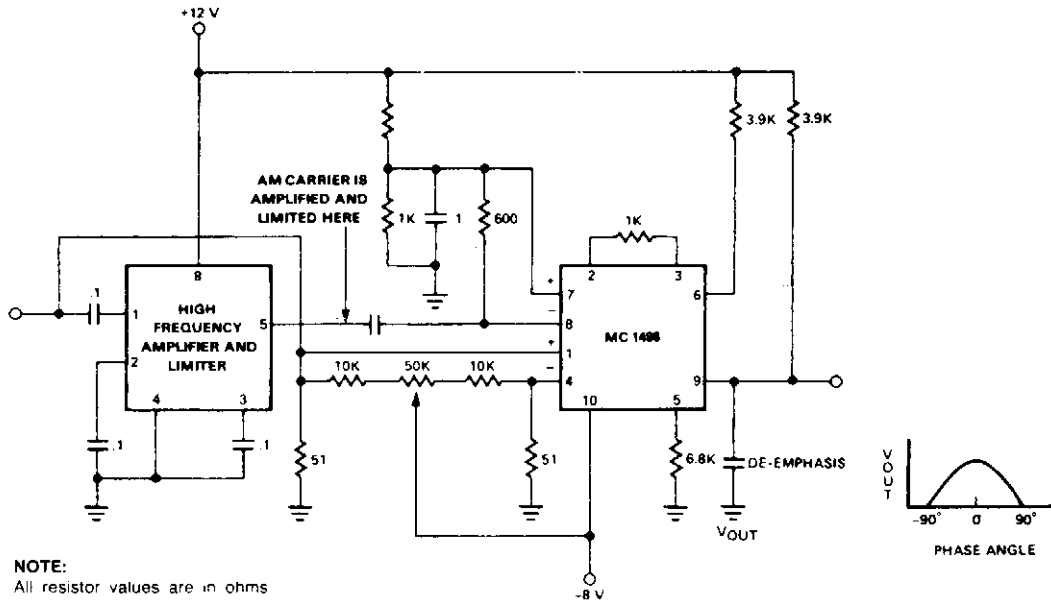
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Narrow Band FM Demodulator with Carrier Detect  
Stereo Demodulator  
AM Demodulator  
FM Demodulator



## AM DEMODULATOR



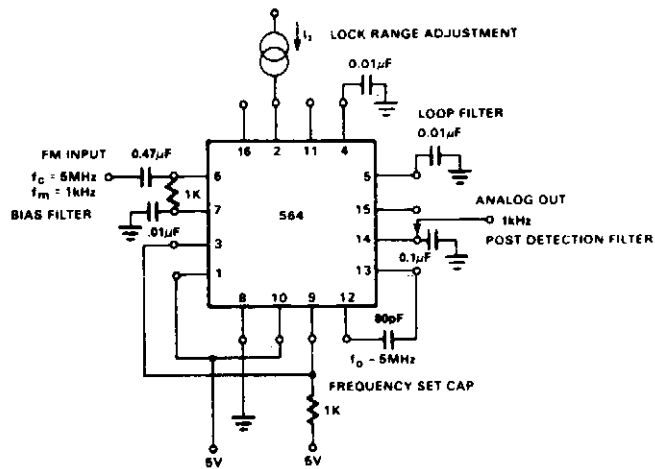
**Fig. 21-3**

### SIGNETICS

#### Circuit Notes

Amplifying and limiting of the AM carrier is accomplished by the if gain block providing 55 dB of gain or higher with a limiting of 40  $\mu$ V. The limited carrier is then applied to the detector at the carrier ports to provide the desired switching function. The signal is then demodulated by the synchronous AM demodulator (1496) where the carrier frequency is attenuated due to the balanced nature of the device. Care must be taken not to overdrive the signal input so that distortion does not appear in the recorded audio. Maximum conversion gain is reached when the carrier signals are in phase as indicated by the phase-gain relationship. Output filtering is also necessary to remove high frequency sum components of the carrier from the audio signal.

## FM DEMODULATOR



A

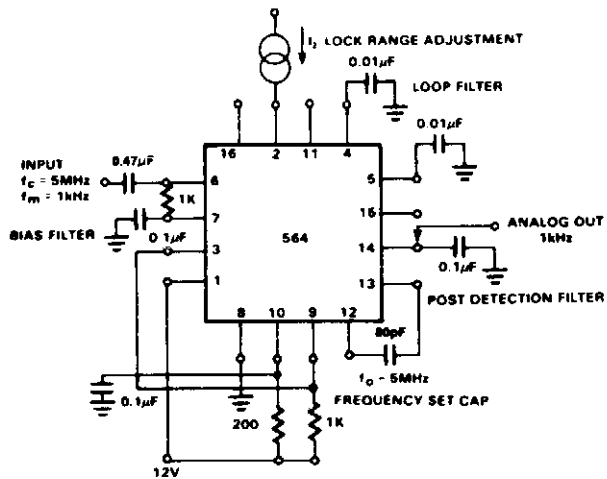


Fig. 21-4

B

SIGNETICS

### Circuit Notes

The NE564 is used as an FM demodulator. The connections for operation at 5 V and 12 V are shown in Figures 21-4A and 21-4B. The input signal is ac coupled with the output signal being extracted at Pin 14. Loop filtering is provided by the capacitors at Pins 4 and 5 with additional filtering being provided by the capacitor at Pin 14. Since the conversion gain of the VCO is not very high, to obtain sufficient demodulated output signal the frequency deviation in the input signal should be 1% or higher.

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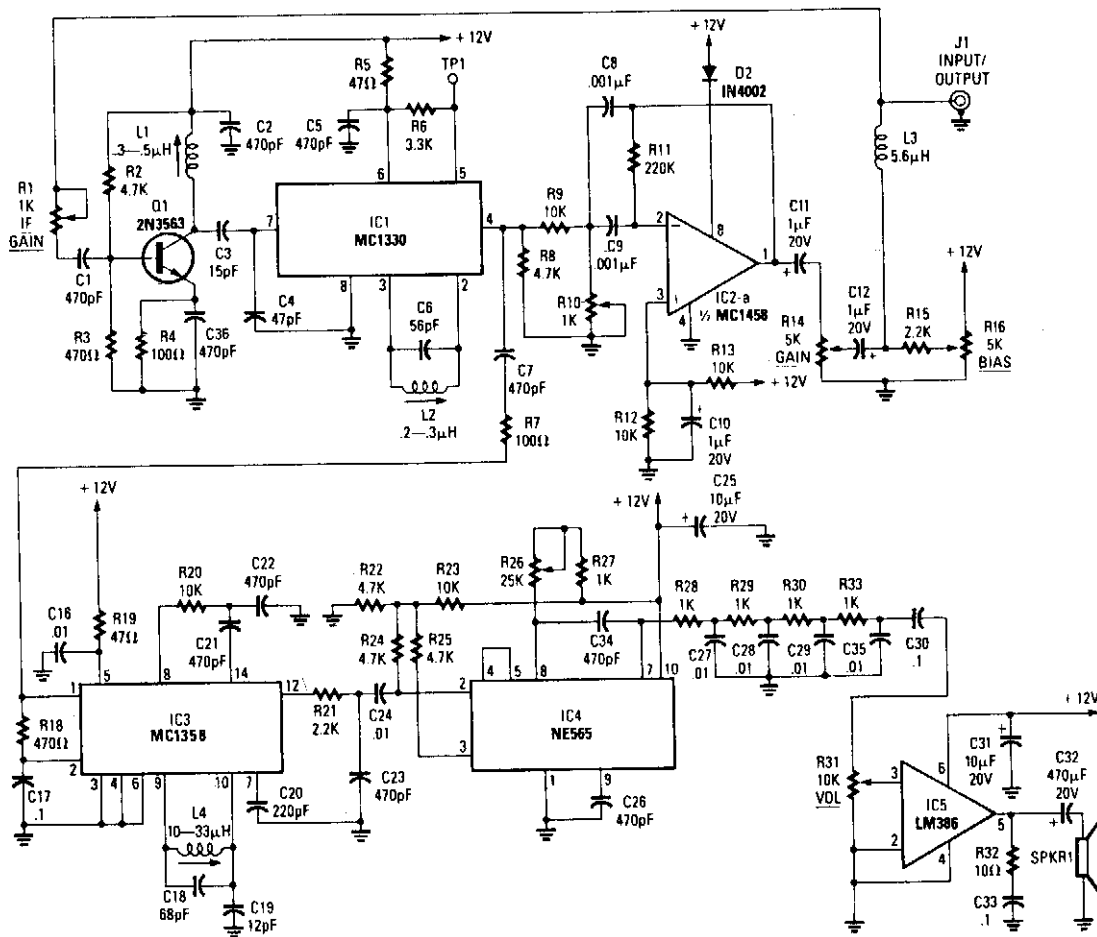
## Descramblers and Decoders

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Sine Wave Descrambler  
Outband Descrambler  
Gated Pulse Descrambler  
SCA Decoder  
Dual Time Constant Tone-Decoder  
Stereo TV Decoder  
Time Division Multiplex (TDM) Stereo Decoder  
Frequency Division Multiplex (FDM) Stereo  
Decoder  
SCA (Background Music) Decoder

## SINE WAVE DESCRAMBLER



—A COMPLETE SINEWAVE DESCRAMBLER. Easy to build, and relatively easy to align, this circuit completely removes the 15.75-kHz scrambling sinewave.

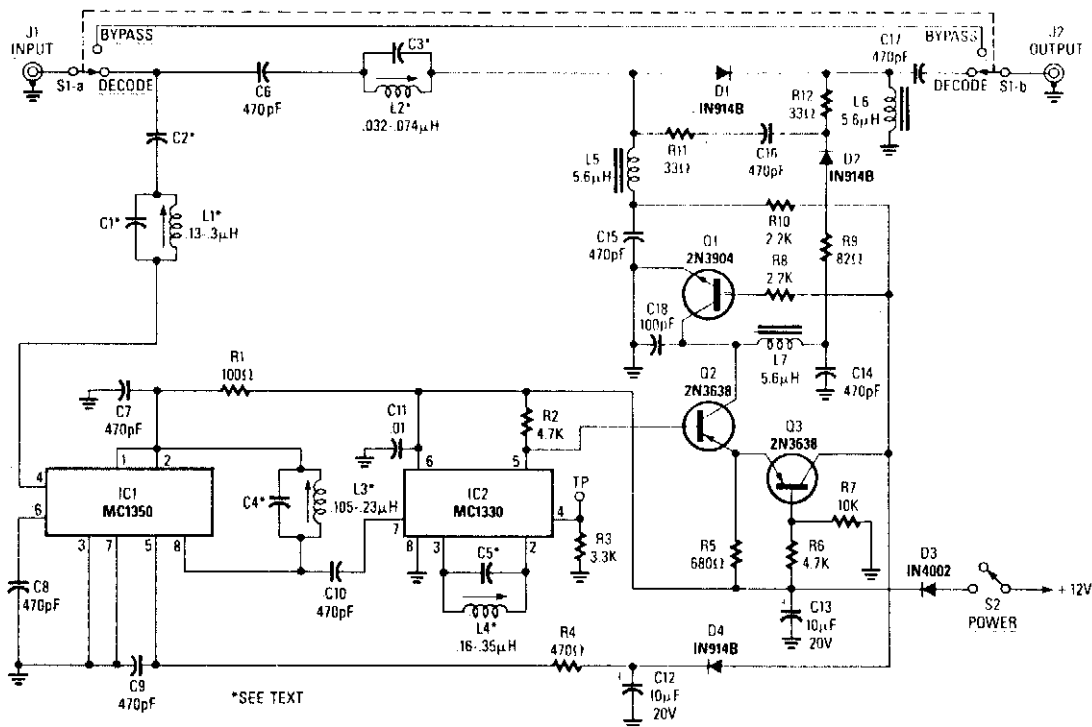
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 22-1

### Circuit Notes

This decoder features a sine wave recovery channel and uses a PIN diode attenuator driven by the sine wave recovery system to cancel out the sine wave sync suppression signal. Kit available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New York 10804.

## OUTBAND DESCRAMBLER



—FOR THE OUTBAND DECODER shown here to work, the cable company must provide at least a 1 millivolt signal. Values for C1-C5 and L1-L4 are found in Table 1.

**TABLE 1—CAPACITOR AND COIL VALUES**

|    | 50 MHz        | 90-114 MHz   |
|----|---------------|--------------|
| C1 | 5 pF          | 5 pF         |
| C2 | 47 pF         | 12 pF        |
| C3 | 200 pF        | 82 pF        |
| C4 | 56 pF         | 12 pF        |
| C5 | 56 pF         | 10 pF        |
| L1 | 0.2 $\mu$ H   | 0.2 $\mu$ H  |
| L2 | 0.05 $\mu$ H  | 0.03 $\mu$ H |
| L3 | 0.175 $\mu$ H | 0.2 $\mu$ H  |
| L4 | 0.175 $\mu$ H | 0.24 $\mu$ H |

**Fig. 22-2**

**RADIO-ELECTRONICS**

### Circuit Notes

This circuit consists of an amplifier for the synch channel and a video detector which controls an attenuator so that the gain of the systems is increased during synch intervals. Kit available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New York 10804.





## SCA DECODER

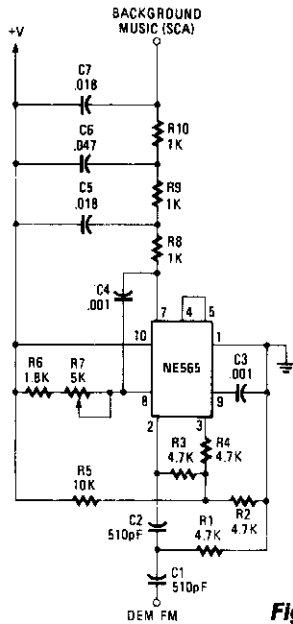


Fig. 22-4

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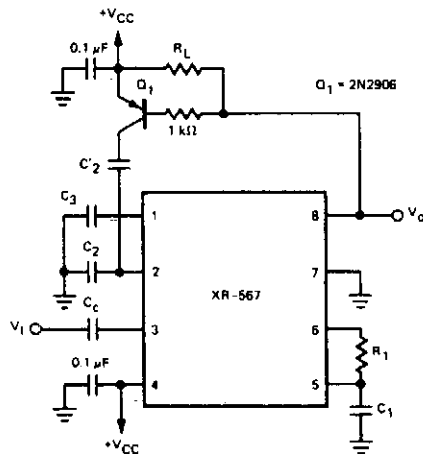
### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a Signetics NE565 PLL (Phase-Locked Loop) as a detector to recover the SCA signal. The input to the SCA decoder circuit is connected to an FM receiver at a point between the FM discriminator and the de-emphasis filter network. The PLL, IC1, is tuned to 67 kHz by R7, a 5 K potentiometer. Tuning need not be exact since the circuit will seek and lock onto the subcarrier. The demodulated signal from the FM receiver is fed to the input of the 565 through a high-pass filter consisting of two 510 pF capacitors (C1 and C2) and a 4.7 K resistor (R1). Its purpose is to serve as a coupling network and to attenuate some of the main channel spill. The demodulated SCA signal at pin 7 passes through a three-stage de-emphasis network as shown. The resulting signal is around 50 mV, with the response extending to around 7 kHz.

## DUAL TIME CONSTANT TONE DECODER

### Circuit Notes

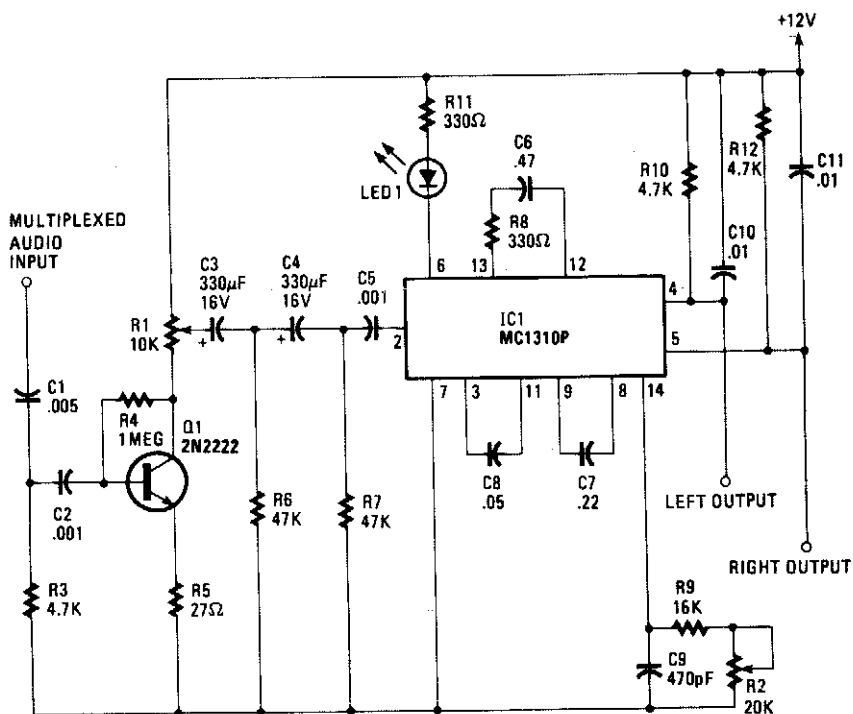
For some applications it is important to have a tone decoder with narrow bandwidth and fast response time. This can be accomplished by the dual time constant tone decoder circuit shown. The circuit has two low-pass loop filter capacitors,  $C_2$  and  $C'_2$ . With no input signal present, the output at pin 8 is high, transistor  $Q_1$  is off, and  $C'_2$  is switched out of the circuit. Thus, the loop low-pass filter is comprised of  $C_2$ , which can be kept as small as possible for minimum response time. When an in-band signal is detected, the output at pin 8 will go low,  $Q_1$  will turn on, and capacitor  $C'_2$  will be switched in parallel with capacitor  $C_2$ . The low-pass filter capacitance will then be  $C_2 + C'_2$ . The value of  $C'_2$  can be quite large in order to achieve narrow bandwidth. During the time that no input signal is being received, the bandwidth is determined by capacitor  $C_2$ .



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Fig. 22-5

## STEREO TV DECODER



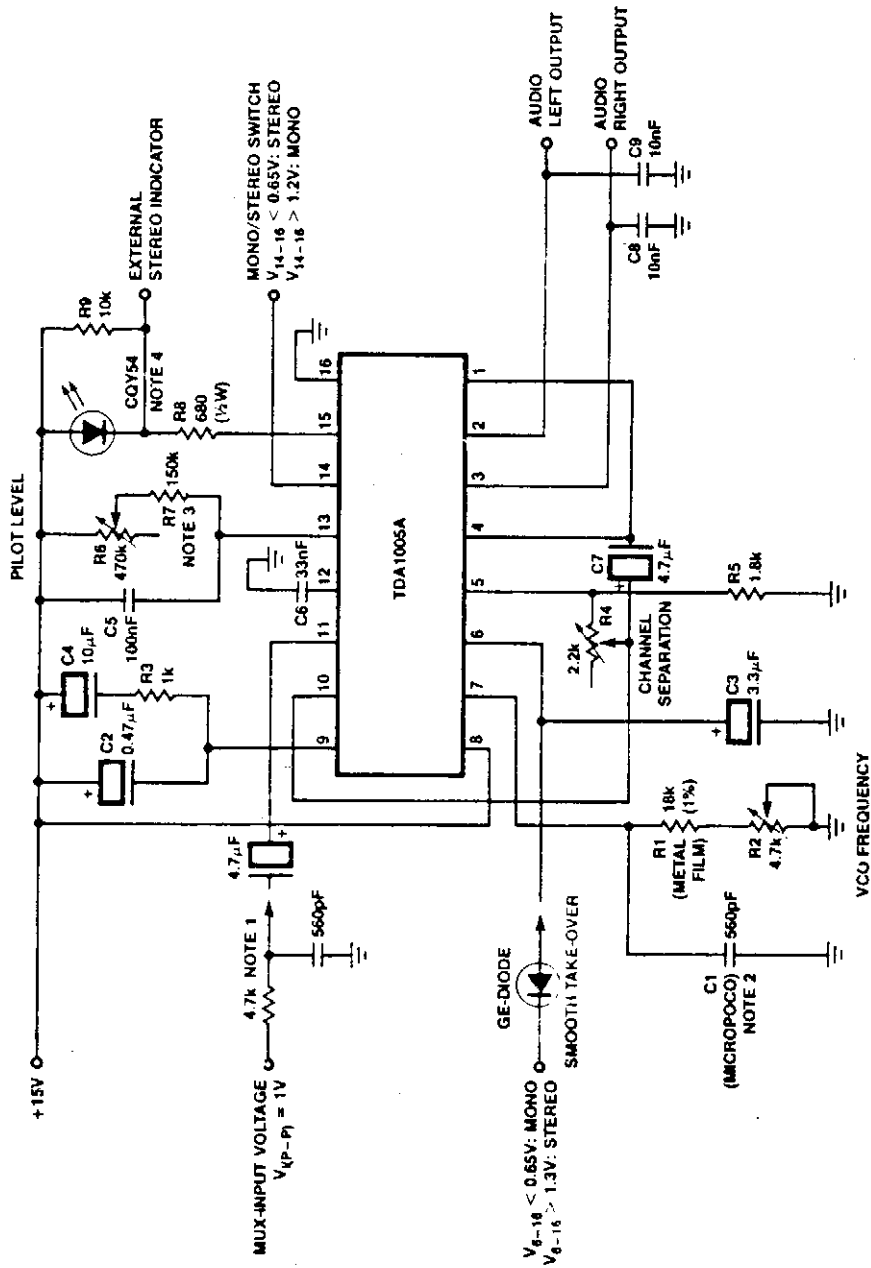
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 22-6

### Circuit Notes

The composite input signal is preamplified by transistor Q1 and is then coupled to the high-pass filter composed of C3, C4, R6, and R7. The filtered audio is then passed to IC1, an MC1310P "Coilless Stereo Demodulator." That IC is normally used to demodulate broadcast-band FM signals, but by changing the frequency of its on-board VCO (Voltage Controlled Oscillator) slightly (from 19 kHz to 15.734 kHz), we can use that IC to detect stereo-TV signals. A block diagram of the MC1310P is shown in Fig. 22-5. Notice that the components connected to pin 14 control the VCO's frequency, hence the pilot-detect and carrier frequencies. For use in an FM receiver, the VCO would run at four times the 19 kHz pilot frequency (76 kHz), but for our application, it will run at four times the 15.734 kHz pilot frequency of stereo TV, or 62.936 kHz. The MC1310P divides the master VCO signal by two in order to supply the 31.468 kHz carrier that is used to detect the L - R audio signal. The L - R signal undergoes normal FM detection, and at that point we've got two audio signals: L + R and L - R. The decoder block in the IC performs the addition and subtraction to produce the separate left and right signals. R10 and C10 form a de-emphasis network that compensates for the 75 μs pre-emphasis that the left channel underwent; R12 and C11 perform the same function for the right channel.

# TIME DIVISION MULTIPLEX (TDM) STEREO DECODER



IC-29A

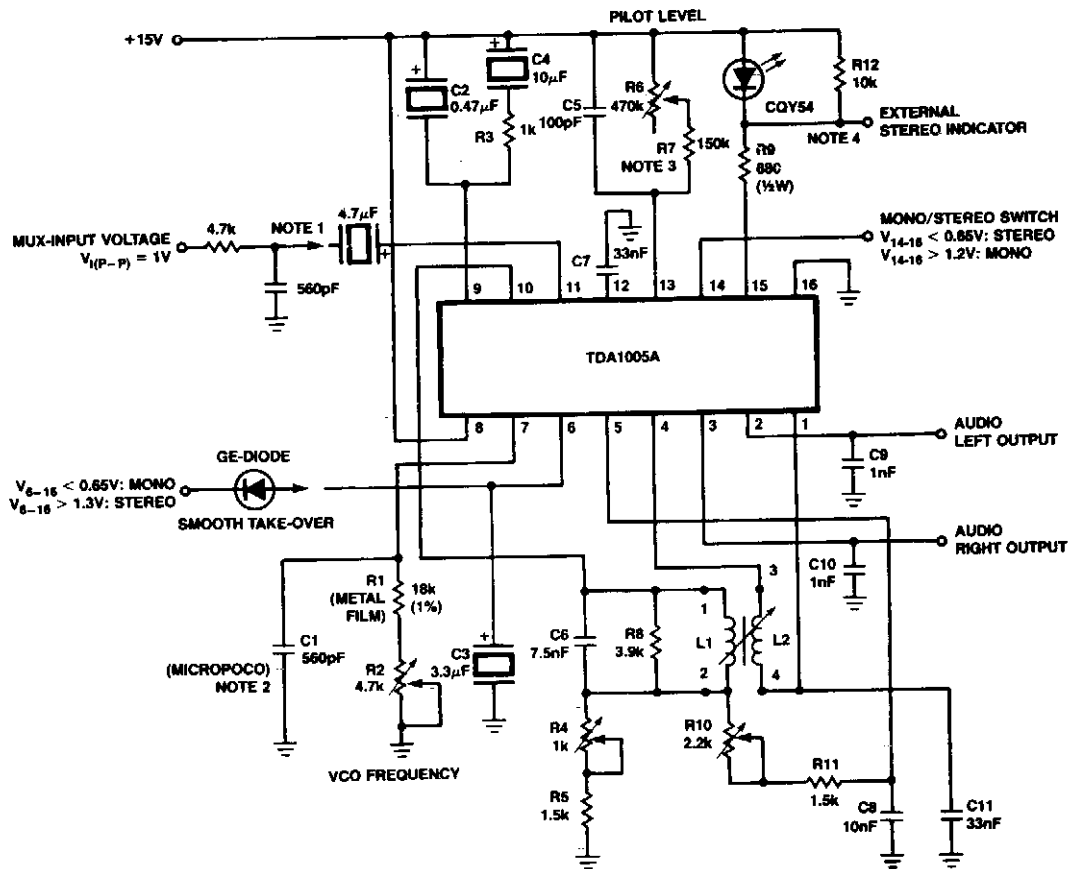
**NOTES:**

1. For other input structures see Figures 7 to 11, shown here with RC-filter (Figure 8).
2. Micrococo capacitor has a temperature coefficient of  $125 \cdot 10^{-6} \pm 60 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot C^{-1}$ .
3. In simplified circuits a fixed resistor (e.g. 620k) can be used for a guaranteed switching level of  $\leq 16mV$ .
4. Either the LED circuit or an external stereo indicator can be used.

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Fig. 22-7

## FREQUENCY DIVISION MULTIPLEX (FDM) STEREO DECODER



TC128/05

**Coil data:**

$L_1, L_2 = 2.6\text{mH}$

$Q_{1,2} = 35; Q_{\text{MIN}} = 30$

$N_{1,2} = 357 \frac{1}{2}$  turns;

$N_{3,4} = 297 \frac{1}{2}$  turns; scrambled wound with wire diameter 0.09mm,  $\frac{E_{3,4}}{E_{1,2}} \times 100\% = 82\%$

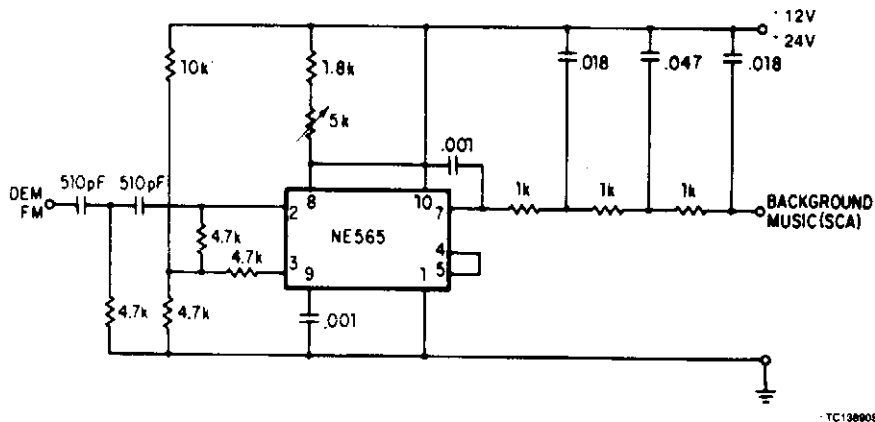
**NOTES:**

1. For other input structures see Figures 6 to 11; shown here with RC-filter (Figure 8).
2. The micropoco capacitor has a temperature coefficient of  $125 \cdot 10^{-6} \pm 60 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ k}^{-1}$ .
3. In simplified circuits a fixed resistor (e.g. 620k) can be used for a guaranteed switching level of  $\leq 16\text{mV}$ .
4. Either the LED circuit or an external stereo indicator can be used.

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**Fig. 22-8**

## SCA (Background Music) DECODER



SIGNETICS

Fig. 22-9

### Circuit Notes

A resistive voltage divider is used to establish a bias voltage for the input (Pins 2 and 3). The demodulated (multiplex) FM signal is fed to the input through a two-stage high-pass filter, both to effect capacitive coupling and to attenuate the strong signal of the regular channel. A total signal amplitude, between 80 mV and 300 mV, is required at the input. Its source should have an impedance of less than 10,000 ohm. The Phase-Locked Loop is tuned to 67 kHz with a 5000 ohm potentiometer, only approximate tuning is required since the loop will seek the signal. The demodulated output (Pin 7) passes through a three-stage low-pass filter to provide de-emphasis and attenuate the high-frequency noise which often accompanies SCA transmission. Note that no capacitor is provided directly at Pin 7; thus, the circuit is operating as a first-order loop. The demodulated output signal is in the order of 50 mV and the frequency response extends to 7 kHz.

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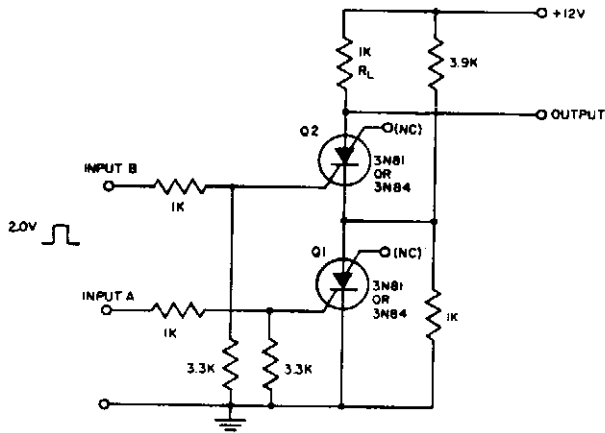
## Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Pulse Sequence Detector  
Voltage Level Detector  
Zero-Crossing Detector  
Peak Detector  
Level Detector  
High Frequency Peak Detector  
Tachometer, Single Pulse Generator, Power Loss  
Detector, Peak Detector  
Phase Detector with 10-Bit Accuracy  
Frequency Limit Detector  
Pulse Coincidence Detector

## PULSE SEQUENCE DETECTOR



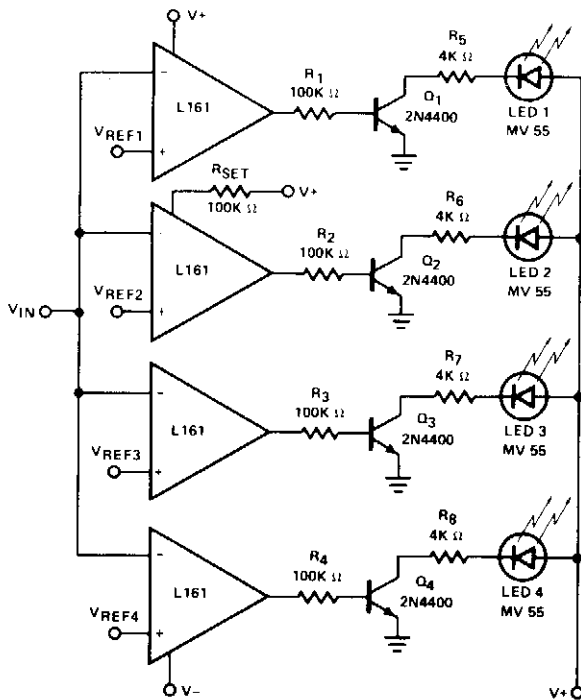
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 23-1

### Circuit Notes

The resistor divider connected between Q1 and Q2 supplies  $I_H$  to Q1 after input A triggers it. It also prevents input B from triggering Q2 until Q1 conducts. Consequently, the first B input pulse after input A is applied will supply current to  $R_L$ .

## VOLTAGE LEVEL DETECTOR

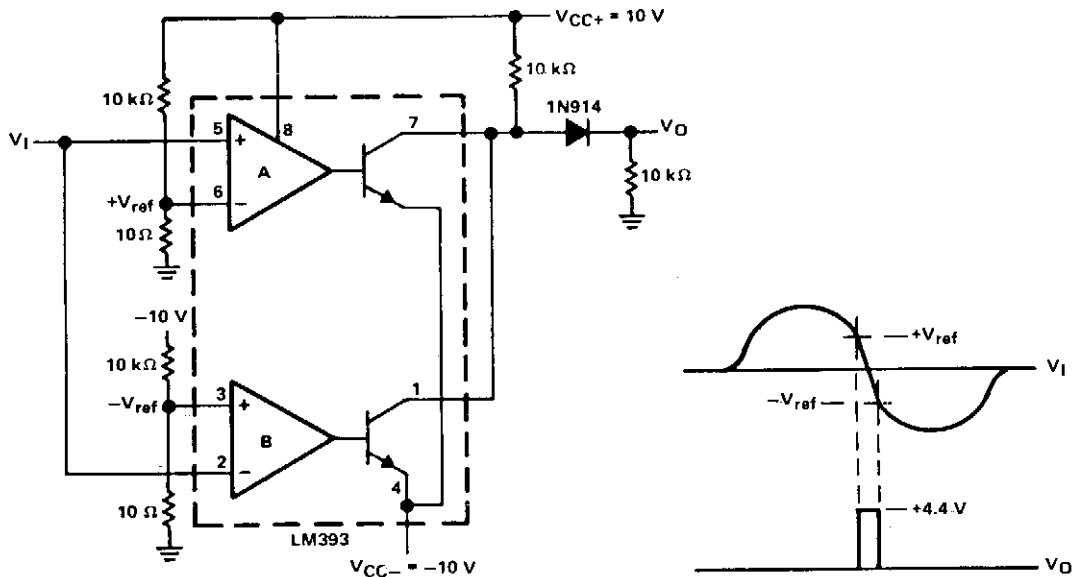


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Fig. 23-2



## ZERO-CROSSING DETECTOR



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

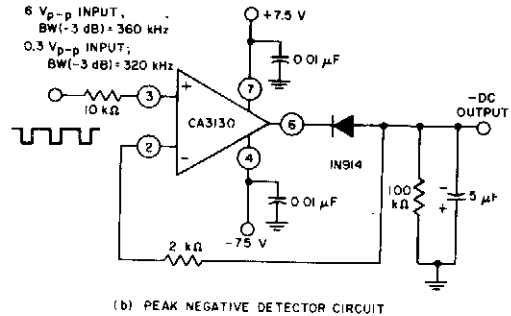
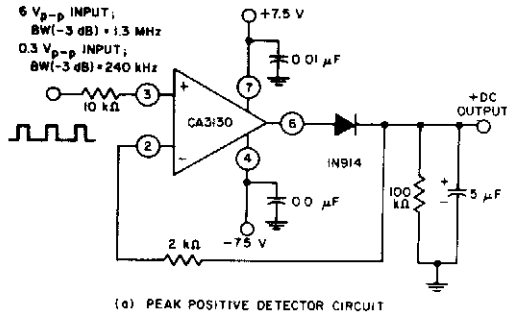
Fig. 23-3

### Circuit Notes

This zero-crossing detector uses a dual LM393 comparator, and easily controls hysteresis by the reference levels which are set on the comparator inputs. The circuit illustrated is powered by  $\pm 10$ -V power supplies. The input signal can be an ac signal level up to +8 V. The output will be a positive going pulse of about 4.4 V at the zero-crossover point. These parameters are compatible with TTL logic levels.

The input-signal is simultaneously applied to the non-inverting input of comparator A and the inverting input of comparator B. The inverting input of comparator A has a +10 mV reference with respect to ground, while the non-inverting input of comparator B has a -10 mV reference with respect to ground. As the input signal swings positive (greater than +10 mV), the output of comparator "A" will be low while comparator "B" will have a high output. When the input signal swings negative (less than -10 mV), the reverse is true. The result of the combined outputs will be low in either case. On the other hand, when the input signal is between the threshold points ( $\pm 10$  mV around zero crossover), the output of both comparators will be high. If more hysteresis is needed, the  $\pm 10$  mV window may be made wider by increasing the reference voltages.

## PEAK DETECTOR



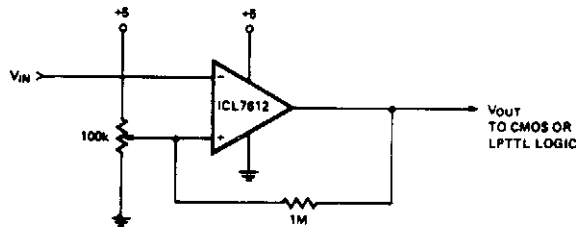
GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

Fig. 23-4

### Circuit Notes

Circuits are easily implemented using the CA3130 BiMOS op amp. For large-signal inputs the bandwidth of the peak-negative circuit is less than that of the peak-positive circuit. The second stage of the CA3130 limits bandwidth in this case.

## LEVEL DETECTOR



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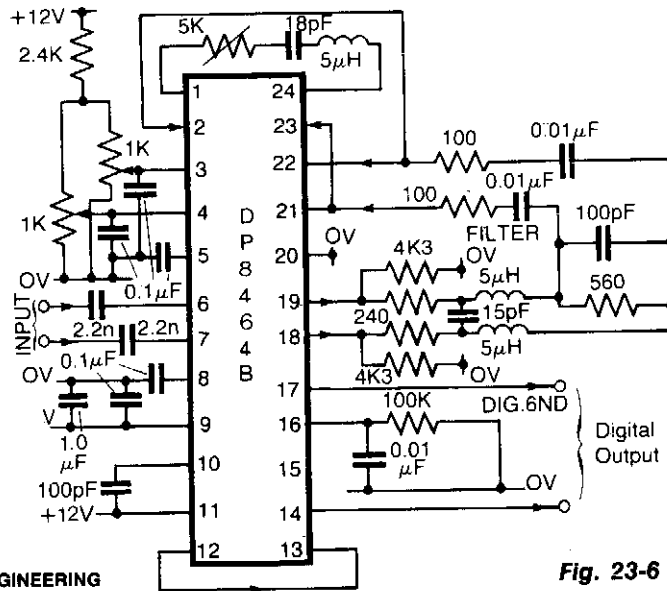
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Fig. 23-5

### Circuit Notes

By using the ICL7612 in these applications, the circuits will follow rail to rail inputs.

## HIGH FREQUENCY PEAK DETECTOR



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Fig. 23-6

### Circuit Notes

National Semiconductor's DP8464B is primarily intended for use in disk systems as a pulse detector. However it can be easily used as a general purpose peak detector for analogue signals up to 5 MHz. The chip can handle signals between 20 and 66 mV peak-to-peak. The circuit includes a filter with constant group delay characteristics to band limit the signal. Typically the -3 dB point for this filter will be at about 1.5 times the highest frequency of interest. This differentiator network between pins 1 and 24 can be as simple as a capacitor, or can be more complex to band limit the differentiator response.

## TACHOMETER, SINGLE PULSE GENERATOR, POWER LOSS DETECTOR, PEAK DETECTOR

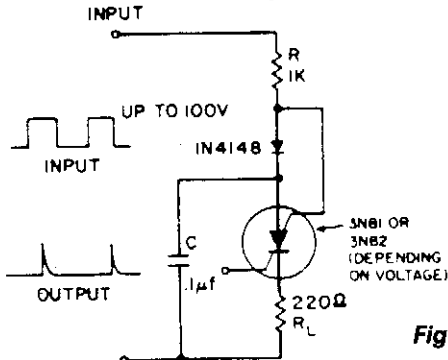
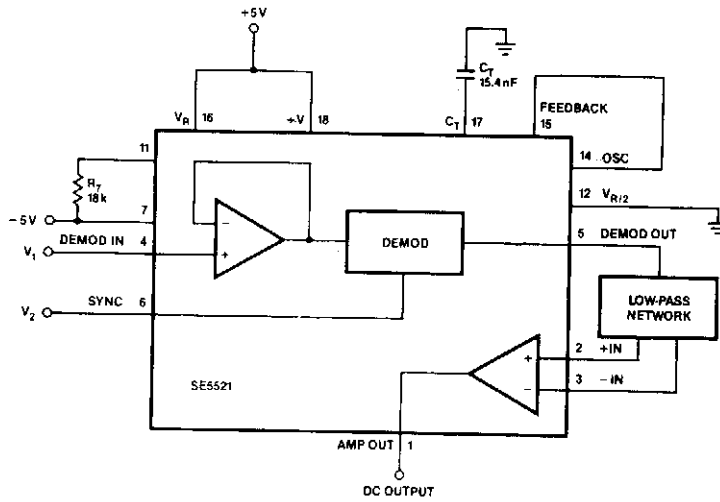


Fig. 23-7

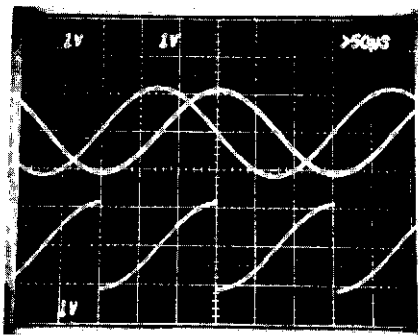
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A positive going input charges C through the IN4148 and R. The diode keeps the scs off. A negative going input supplies anode-gate current triggering on the scs discharging C through  $R_L$ .

## PHASE DETECTOR WITH 10-BIT ACCURACY

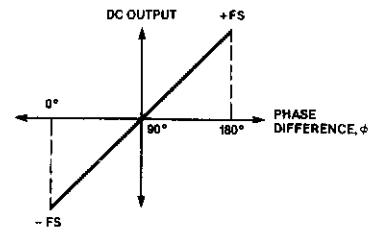


a. Phase Detector Measures Phase Difference Between Signals  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  and Provides dc Output at Pin 1



b. When  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  in (a) are at Quadrature (Traces A and B), the DC Component of Demodulator Output (Trace C) is at 0V

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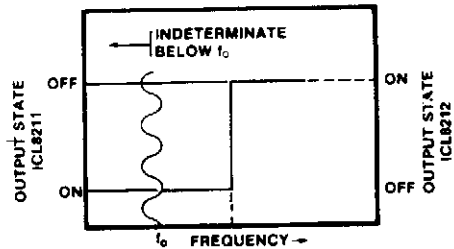
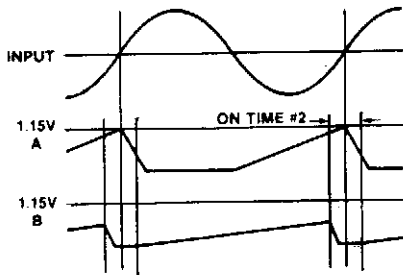
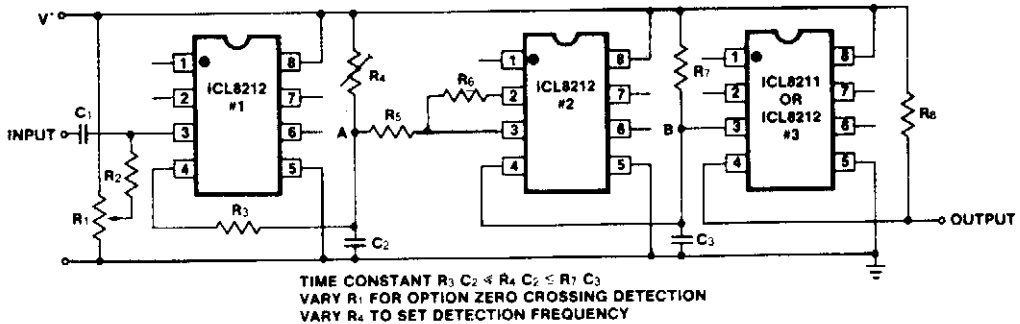
c. The dc Output and Phase Vary Linearly

Fig. 23-8

### Circuit Notes

Signals of identical frequency are applied to sync input (Pin 6) and to the demodulator input (Pin 4), respectively, the demodulator functions as a phase detector with output dc component being proportional to phase difference between the two inputs. The signals must be referenced to 0 V for dual supply operation or to  $V_R/2$  for single supply operation. At  $\pm 5$ -V supplies, the demodulator can easily handle 7-V peak-to-peak signals. The low-pass network configured with the uncommitted amplifier dc output at Pin 1 of the device. The dc output is maximum (+ full-scale) when  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are  $180^\circ$  out of phase and minimum (- full-scale) when the signals are in phase.

## FREQUENCY LIMIT DETECTOR



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Fig. 23-9

### Circuit Notes

Simple frequency limit detectors providing a GO/NO-GO output for use with varying amplitude input signals may be conveniently implemented with the ICL8211/8212. In the application shown, the first ICL8212 is used as a zero-crossing detector. The output circuit consisting of  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $C_2$  results in a slow output positive ramp. The negative range is much faster than the positive range.  $R_5$  and  $R_6$  provide hysteresis so that under all circumstances the second ICL8212 is turned on for sufficient time to discharge  $C_3$ . The time constant of  $R_7 C_3$  is much greater than  $R_4 C_2$ . Depending upon the desired output polarities for low and high input frequencies, either an ICL8211 or an ICL8212 may be used as the output driver.

The circuit is sensitive to supply voltage variations and should be used with a stabilized power supply. At very low frequencies the output will switch at the input frequency.

## PULSE COINCIDENCE DETECTOR

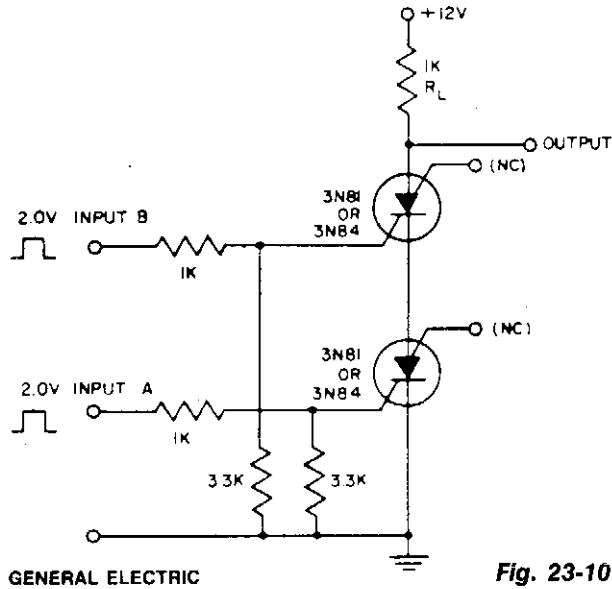


Fig. 23-10

### Circuit Notes

Unless inputs A and B (2- to 3-V amplitude) occur simultaneously no voltage exists across  $R_L$ . Less than 1 microsecond overlap is sufficient to trigger the scs. Coincidence of negative inputs is detected with gates  $G_A$  instead of  $G_C$  by using the scs in a complementary SCR configuration.

# 24

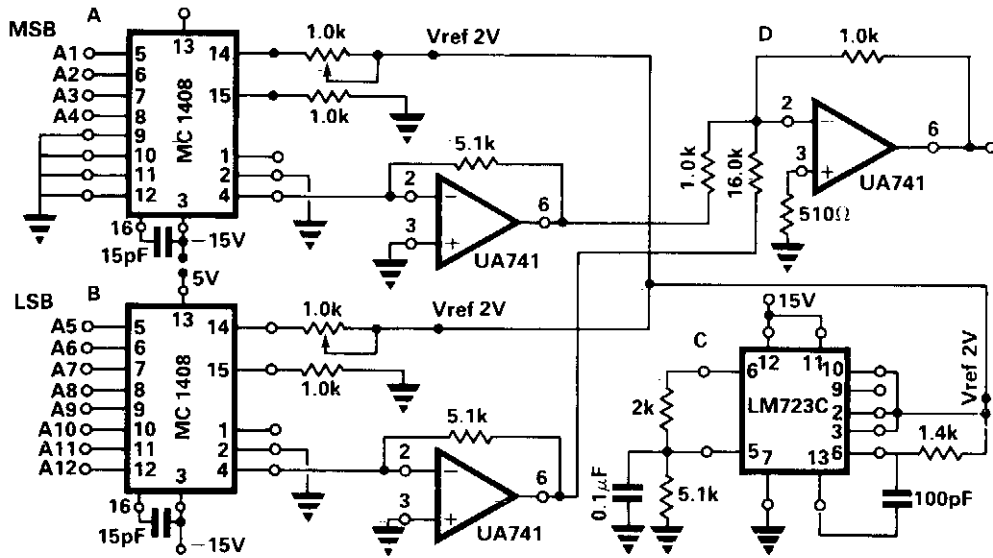
## Digital-to-Analog Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Two 8-Bit DACs Make a 12-Bit DAC  
12-Bit DAC with Variable Step Size

## TWO 8-BIT DACS MAKE A 12-BIT DAC



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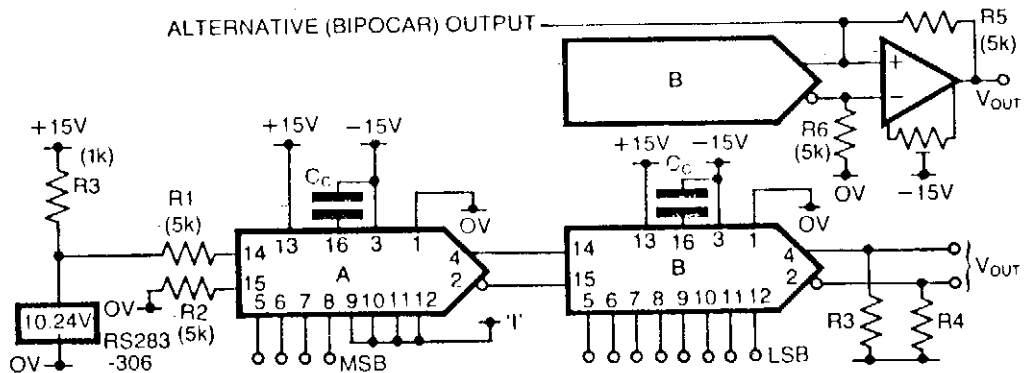
Fig. 24-1

### Circuit Notes

Two MC1408—8-bit D/A converters, A and B in the circuit diagram, are used. The four least-significant bits of A are tied to zero. The four most significant bits of the 12-bit data are connected to the remaining four input pins. The eight least significant bits of the 12-bit data are connected to the eight input pins of B. The four most significant bits of the 12-bit data together have a weight of 16 relative to the remaining eight bits. Hence, the output from B is reduced by a factor of 16 and summed with the output from A using the summing op-amp configuration D. Voltage regulator chip, LM7236, is used to provide an accurate reference voltage, 2 V, for the MC1408. The full-scale voltage of the converter is  $\frac{1}{16} \times 9.9609 + 1 \times (9.375)$  or 9.9976 V. The step size of the converter is 2.4 mV.



## 12-BIT DAC WITH VARIABLE STEP SIZE



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Fig. 24-2

### Circuit Notes

The step size of the converter is variable by selection of the high order data bits. The first DAC, A, has a stable reference current supplied via the 10.24 V reference IC and R1. R2 provides bias cancellation. As shown, only the first 4 MSB inputs are used, giving a step size of  $225/256 \times 2.048/16 = 0.127 \text{ mA}$ . This current supplies the reference for DAC B whose step size is then  $0.1275/256 = 0.498 \text{ } \mu\text{A}$ . Complementary voltage outputs are available for unipolar output and using  $R3 = R4 = 10 \text{ K}$ ,  $V_{\text{out}}$  is  $\pm 10.2 \text{ V}$  approximately, with a step size (1 LSB) of approximately 5 mV. If desired an op amp can be added to the output to provide a low impedance output with bipolar output symmetrical about ground, if  $R5 = R6$  within 0.05%. Note that offset null is required, and all resistors except R2 and R3 should be 1% high stability types.

By using lower order address lines than illustrated for DAC A, a smaller step size (and therefore full-scale output) can be obtained. Unused high order bits can be manipulated high or low to change the relative position of the full-scale output.

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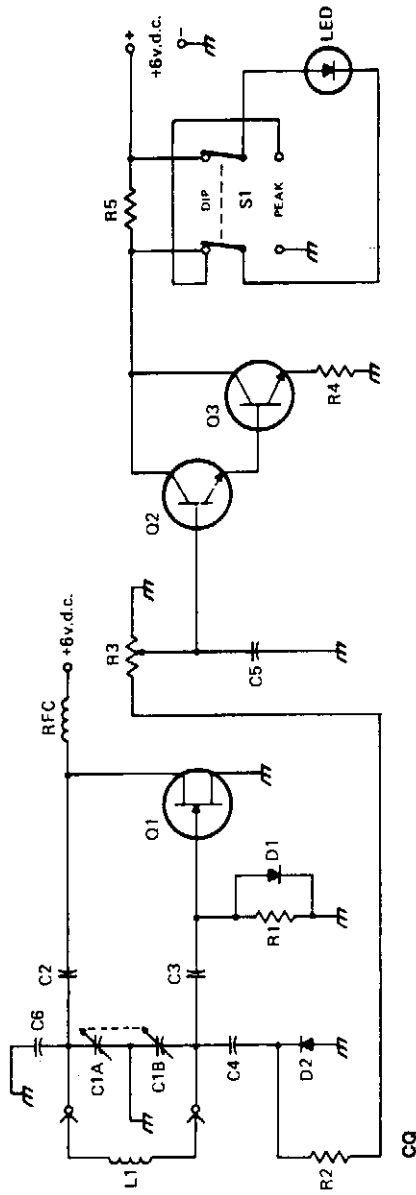
## Dip Meters

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Little Dipper

## LITTLE DIPPER



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### Parts List

- L1—See coil data  
 C1A, 1B—Dual capacitor 100 pF per section (ETCO SV409 or similar)  
 C2, C3—100 pF mica, mylar, etc., low voltage  
 C4—10 pF mica, mylar, etc., low voltage  
 C5—0.1 uF ceramic, low voltage  
 C6—5 pF mica, mylar, etc., low voltage  
 D1, D2—1N914 silicon diode or similar  
 R1—100 K ohms 1/4 watt  
 R2—220 K ohms 1/4 watt  
 R3—500 K ohms potentiometer  
 R4—10 ohms 1/4 watt  
 R5—270 ohms 1/4 watt  
 Q1—MPF 102 FET  
 Q2—Any general-purpose NPN transistor with a Beta (Hfe) of 40 or so (2N3904 or similar)  
 Q3—Any general-purpose NPN transistor capable of 20 mA collector current or more, Beta 40 or so (2N3904, 2N2222 or similar)  
 RFC—1 mH miniature ferrite core choke (value not critical)  
 S1—Sub-miniature DPDT slide switch or similar  
 LED—Panel mounting LED Radio Shack 276-068 or similar.  
 SW1—Miscellaneous—6 volt AC adapter (Radio Shack 273-1454A)  
 Coaxial DC power jack (RS 274-1565)  
 Calibrated Dial knob (RS 274-413)  
 Dual phone jack (RS 274-332)

Fig. 25-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of two basic circuits, the oscillator and the detector. The oscillator uses an FET in a Colpitts configuration. The energy circulating in the oscillator tank is coupled through C4 to the detector circuit, where a small diode (D2) rectifies it, feeding a dc voltage to the Darlington pair (Q2, A3) controlled by the sensitivity control (R3). Any small

variations in the bias of the amplifier will cause large variations of current through the LED indicator in the DIP mode; however, in the PEAK mode the current produces a corresponding voltage drop through R5 and the action of the LED is reversed. The circuit shown will work practically on any frequency from LF to VHF if the appropriate components are used.

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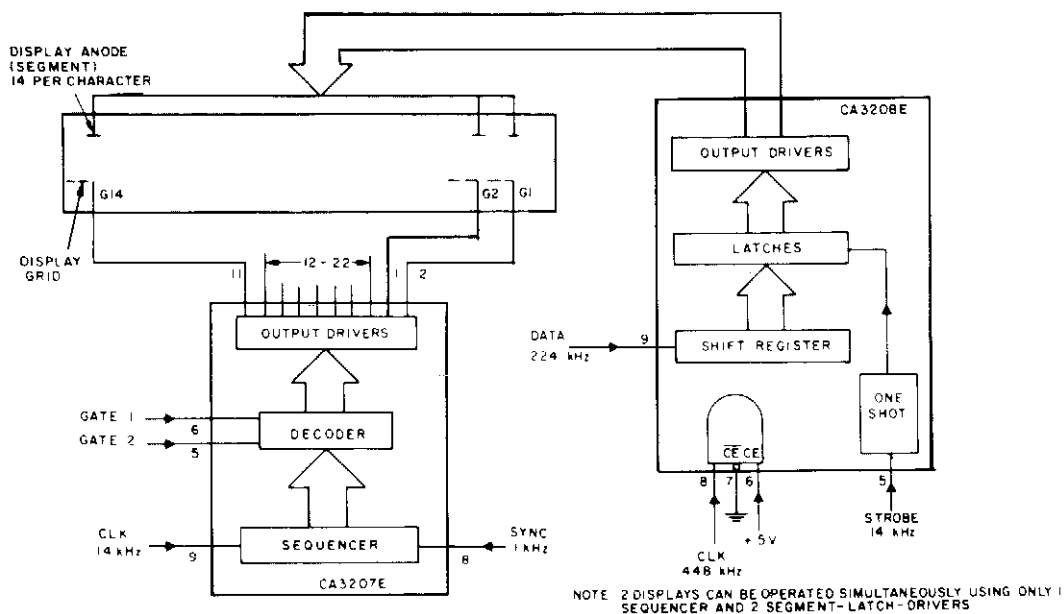
## Display Circuits

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Vacuum Fluorescent Display  
Expanded Scale Meter, Dot or Bar  
Low-Cost Bar-Graph Indicator for ac Signals  
LED Bar-Graph Driver

## VACUUM FLUORESCENT DISPLAY

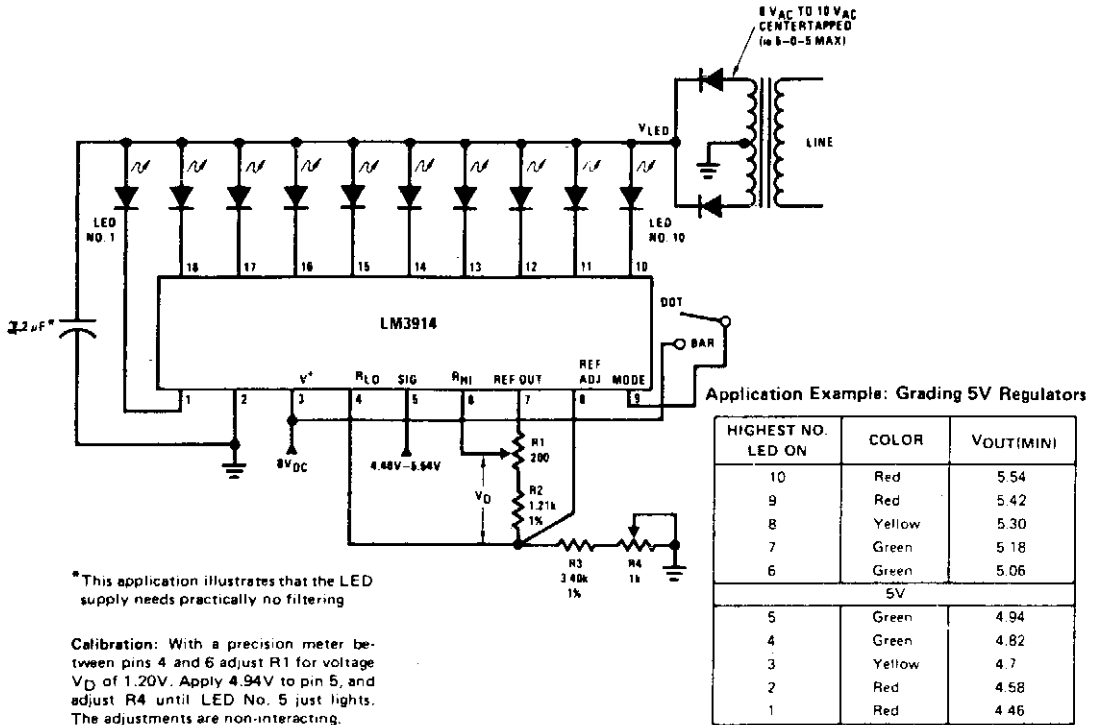


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Fig. 26-1

This circuit uses the CA3207 sequence driver and CA3208 segment latch-driver in combination to drive display devices of up to 14 segments with up to 14 characters of display. The CA3207 selects the digit or character to be displayed in sequence, CA3208 turns on the required alphanumeric segments.

## EXPANDED SCALE METER, DOT OR BAR



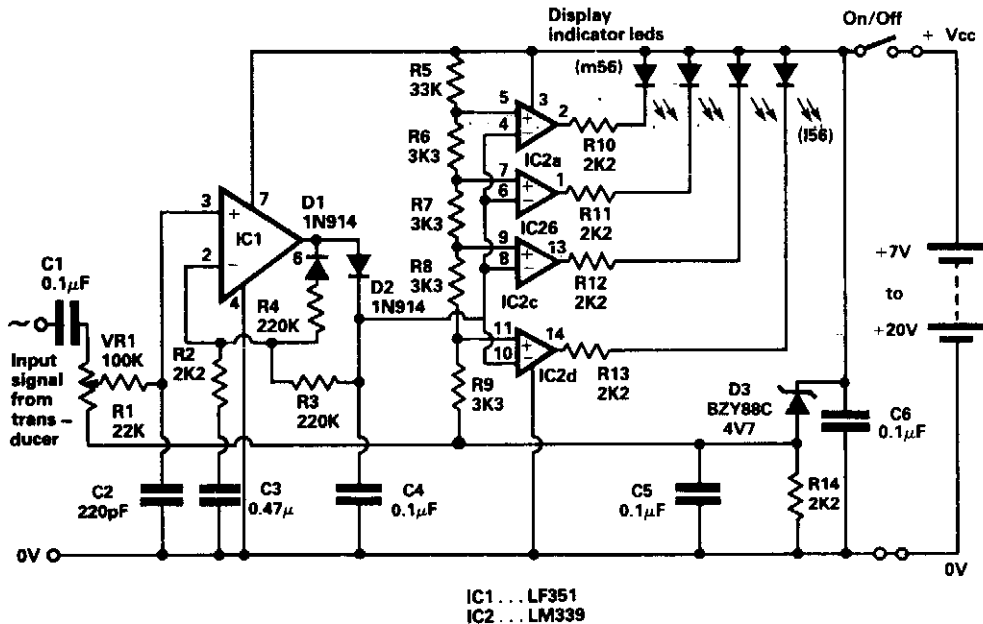
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

Fig. 26-2

### Circuit Notes

A bar graph driver IC LM314 drives an LED display. The LEDs may be separate or in a combined (integral) bar graph display.

## LOW-COST BAR-GRAPH INDICATOR FOR AC SIGNALS



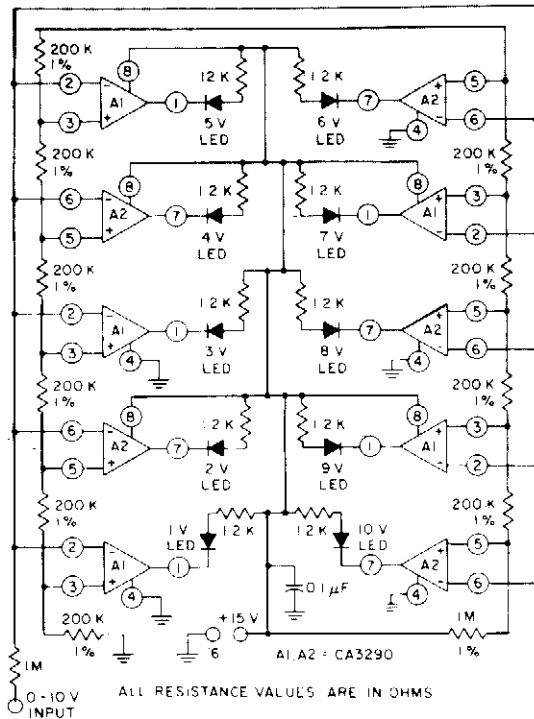
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Fig. 26-3

### Circuit Notes

Indicator was designed for displaying the peak level of small ac signals from a variety of transducers including microphones, strain gauges and photodiodes. The circuit responds to input signals contained within the audio frequency spectrum, i.e., 30 Hz to 20 kHz, although a reduced response extends up to 40 kHz. Maximum sensitivity for the component values shown, with VR1 fully clockwise, is 30 mV peak-to-peak. The indicator can be calibrated by setting VR1 when an appropriate input signal is applied.

## LED BAR-GRAPH DRIVER



GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

Fig. 26-4

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses CA3290 BiMOS dual voltage comparators. Non-inverting inputs of A1 and A2 are tied to voltage divider reference. The input signal is applied to the inverting inputs. LEDs are turned "on" when input voltage reaches the voltage on the reference divider.



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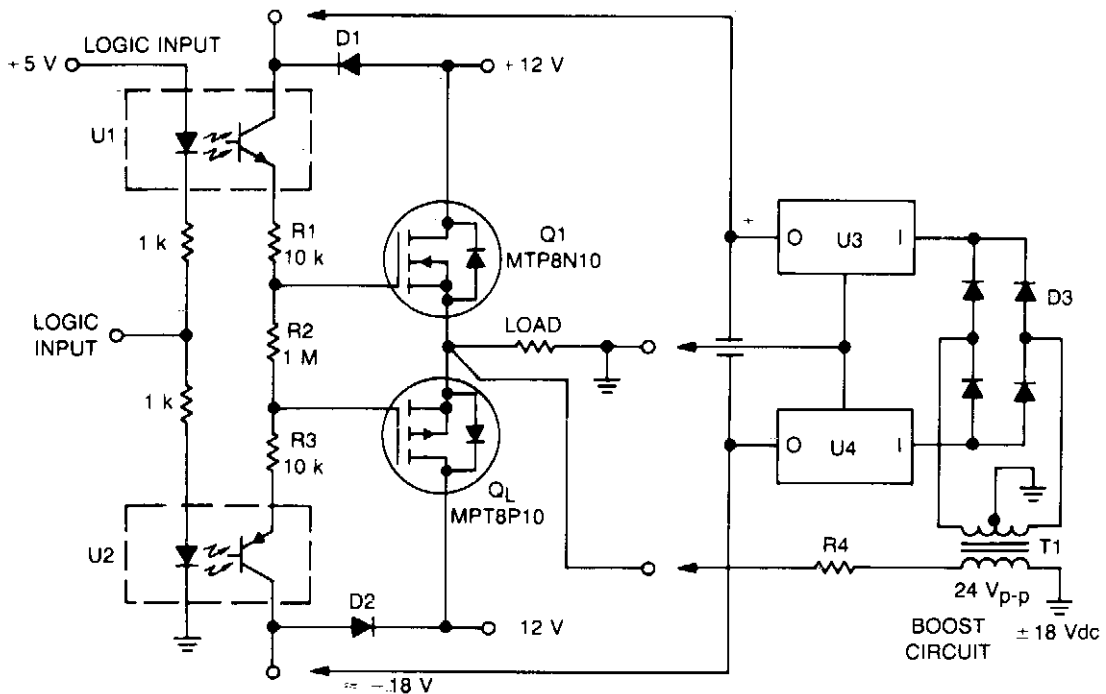
## Drive Circuits

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Line Driver Provides Full Rail Excursions  
Five Transistor Amplifier Boosts Fast Pulses into  
50-Ohm Coaxial Cable  
50-Ohm Transmission Line Driver  
600-Ohm Balanced Driver for Line Signals  
High Output 600-Ohm Line Driver

## LINE DRIVER PROVIDES FULL RAIL EXCURSIONS



MOTOROLA

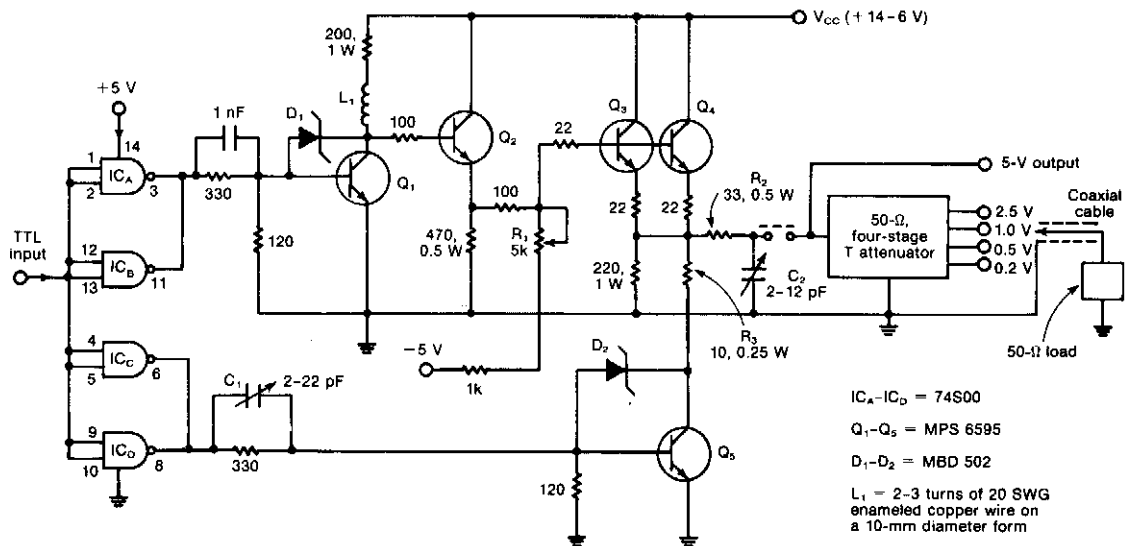
Fig. 27-1

### Circuit Notes

The logic input is applied to optoisolators U1 and U2 with, respectively, npn and pnp emitter follower outputs. Dc balance is adjusted by potentiometer R2. The emitter followers drive the gates of Q1 and Q2, the complementary TMOS pairs. With a  $\pm 12$  V supply, the swing at the common source output point is about 12 V peak-to-peak.

By adding a  $\pm 18$ -V boost circuit, as shown, the output swing can approach the rail swing. This circuit applies the output to transformer T1, which is rectified by diode bridge D3, regulated by U3 and U4, and then applied to the collectors of U1 and U2. Diodes D1 and D2 are forward-biased when 12-V supplies are used, but they are back-biased when the 18-V boost is used.

## FIVE-TRANSISTOR AMPLIFIER BOOSTS FAST PULSES INTO 50-OHM COAXIAL CABLE



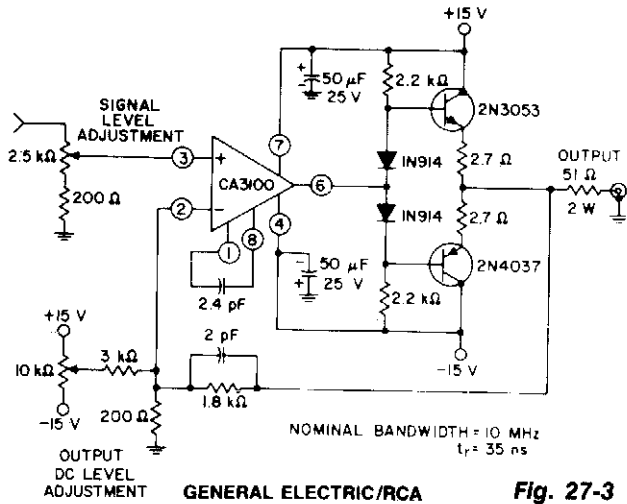
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Fig. 27-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit works from dc to 50 MHz and will deliver pulses as short as 10 ns. It is driven by a TTL signal through a 740S00 quad Schottky NAND gate, IC<sub>A</sub> through IC<sub>D</sub>. Transistor Q<sub>1</sub>, wired as a common-emitter amplifier, drives transistor Q<sub>2</sub>, a simple emitter follower. Transistors Q<sub>3</sub> and Q<sub>4</sub>, wired in parallel, also form an emitter follower and drive the output. When Q<sub>3</sub> and Q<sub>4</sub> are both turned off, transistor Q<sub>5</sub> works as a low-impedance sink. Schottky diodes D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub> prevent Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>5</sub> from becoming saturated. To adjust the circuit, potentiometer R<sub>1</sub> is set to optimize the output pulse's fall time. Inductor L<sub>1</sub>, a peaking coil, should be adjusted to improve the rise time to within a permissible 5% overshoot. Likewise, capacitor C<sub>1</sub> can be varied to control preshooting. Further output pulse shaping is accomplished with the help of capacitor C<sub>2</sub>. Resistors R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> ensure a proper 50-ohm impedance at the amplifier's output when the pulse is on or off, respectively.

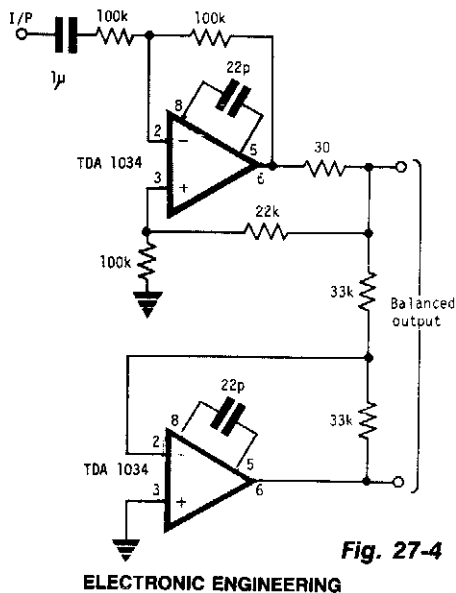
### 50-OHM TRANSMISSION LINE DRIVER



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a wideband, high slew rate CA3100 BiMOS op amp. The slew rate for this amplifier is  $28 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ . Output swing is 9 volts peak-to-peak into a terminated line, measured at the termination.

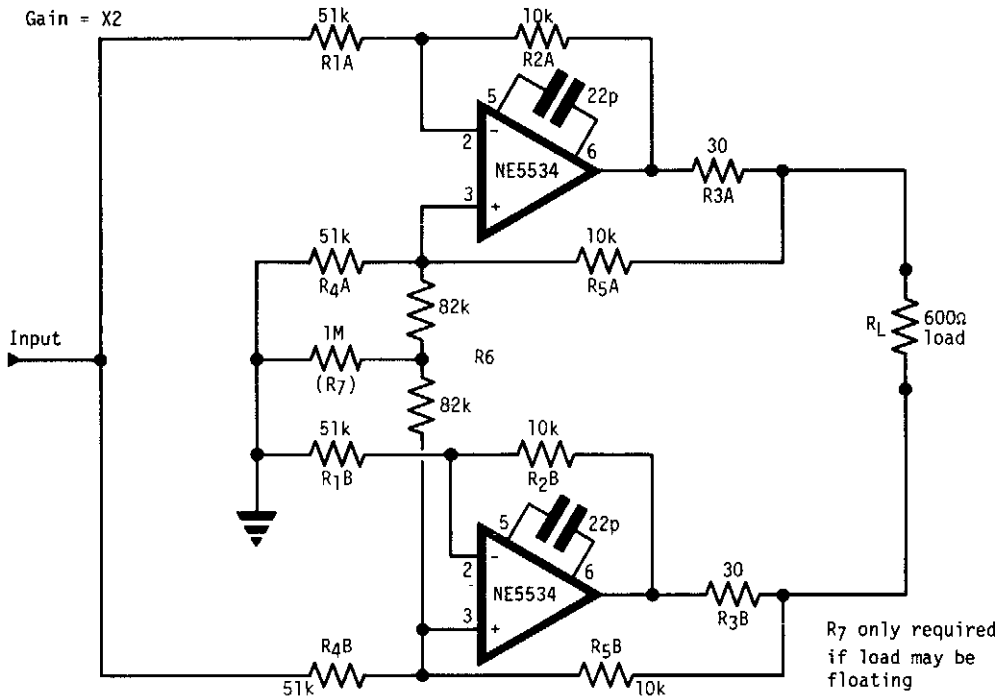
### 600-OHM BALANCED DRIVER FOR LINE SIGNALS



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses current and voltage feedback. This circuit will handle +24 dBm with  $\pm 12$  volts supply using TDA 1034s.

## HIGH OUTPUT 600-OHM LINE DRIVER



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Fig. 27-5

### Circuit Notes

The circuit has a "floating" output, i.e., it behaves like an isolated transformer winding, with the output amplitude remaining unchanged whether the center or either end of the load is grounded. This is achieved by making  $Z$ -out, common mode, infinite. The circuit consists of two current-sources in push-pull. Since each has infinite output  $Z$ , the common mode output impedance is also infinite. Connecting a resistor between the non-inverting terminals of the op amps reduces the differential  $Z$ -out without affecting the  $Z$ -common-mode. Since the output is floating, if the load is also floating there is no output ground reference, which results in malfunction. This can be corrected by reducing the common-mode  $Z$  slightly. R7 fulfills this function. All resistors should be of close tolerance to give a good balance. The line driver provides +24 dB from  $\pm 12$  V or +16 dB from  $\pm 6$  V supplies.

# 28

## Electronic Locks

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Three-Dial Combination Lock  
Electronic Combination Lock

## THREE-DIAL COMBINATION LOCK

**C1**—500- $\mu$ F, 25-VDC electrolytic capacitor

**D1, D2**—1N4002 diode

**K1**—relay with 6-volt coil rated @ 250-ohms, with SPST contacts

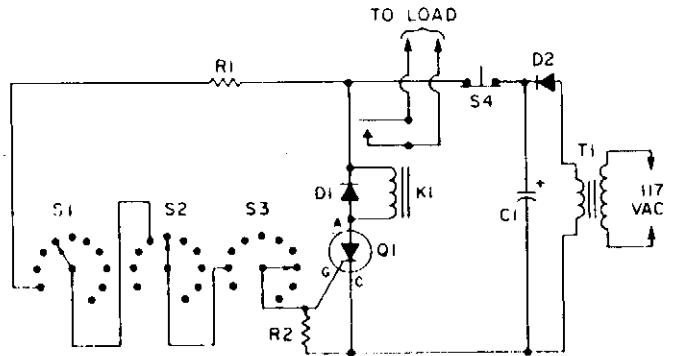
**Q1**—2N5050 SCR

**R1, R2**—4,700-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor, 5%

**S1, S2, S3**—single pole, 10-position rotary or thumbwheel switches

**S4**—normally closed SPST push-button switch

**T1**—120-VAC to 6.3-VAC @ 300mA power transformer



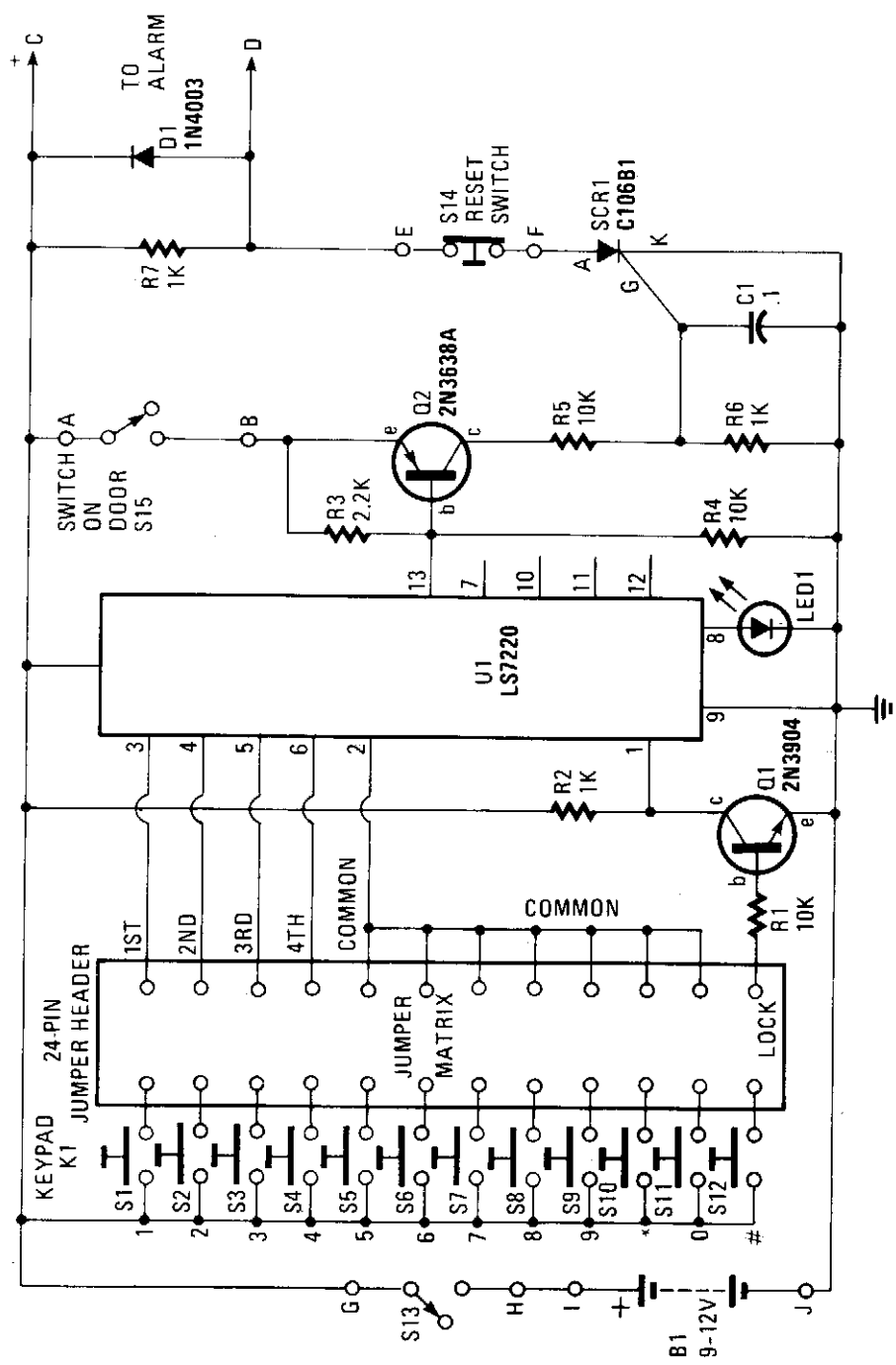
TAB BOOKS, INC.

Fig. 28-1

### Circuit Notes

Here's an effective little combination lock that you can put together in one evening's time. To open the lock, simply dial in the correct combination on the three rotary or thumbwheel switches. With the correct combination entered, current flows through R1 into Q1's gate terminal, causing the SCR to latch in a conductive state. This sends a current through relay K1, which responds by closing its contacts and actuating whatever load is attached. After opening the lock, twirl the dials of S1 through S3 away from the correct combination so that nobody gets a look at it. The lock will remain open and your load will remain on because the SCR is latched on. To lock things up, it's only necessary to interrupt the flow of anode current through the SCR by pressing pushbutton S4.

# ELECTRONIC COMBINATION LOCK



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 28-2



### Circuit Notes

When button S12 (#) is pressed, a positive voltage fed through R1 appears at the base of transistor Q1, turning it on. When Q1 is conducting, pin 1 of U1 is brought to ground (low) or the battery's negative terminal. With pin 1 low, two things occur: Pin 8 of U1 goes high (+9 volts dc), turning on LED 1—indicating that the circuit has been armed—and pin 13 goes from high to low. Transistor Q2 requires a low signal or negative voltage on its base in order to conduct. It also needs a positive voltage on its emitter and a negative voltage on the collector. As long as the door switch (S15) remains open (with the door itself closed), Q2's emitter will not receive the necessary positive voltage. If, however, an unauthorized person opens the door, thus closing switch S15 and placing a positive voltage on the emitter of Q1, the following sequence occurs:

1. Transistor Q2 conducts, receiving the necessary biasing current through a current-divider network consisting of resistors R3 and R4.
2. As Q2 conducts, a voltage drop is developed across the voltage dividers made up of resistors R5 and R6. With R5 at 10,000 ohms and R6 at 1000 ohms, approximately one volt appears at the gate of SCR1. That's enough voltage to trigger the SCR's gate.

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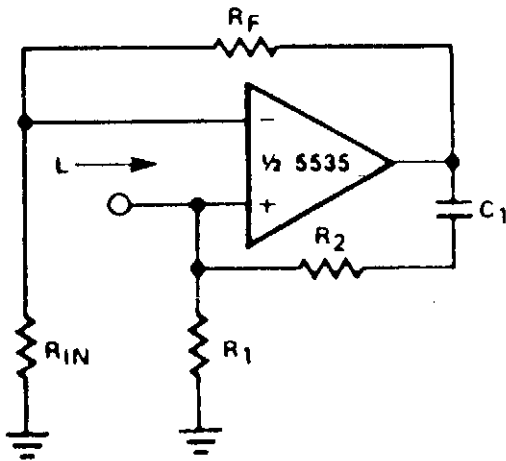
## Emulator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Simulated Inductor  
Resistor Multiplier  
Capacitor Multiplier  
JFET ac Coupled Integrator

## SIMULATED INDUCTOR



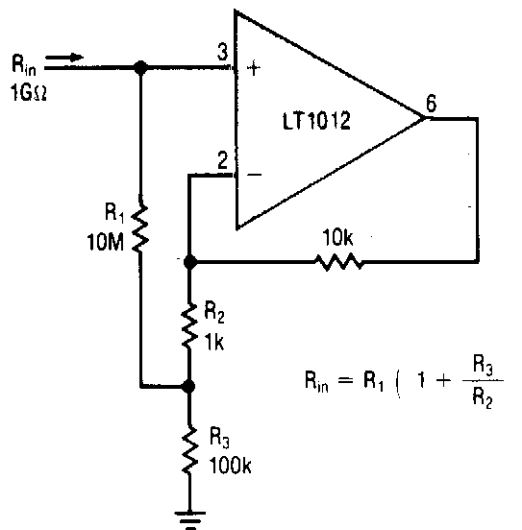
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Fig. 29-1

### Circuit Notes

With a constant current excitation, the voltage dropped across an inductance increases with frequency. Thus, an active device whose output increases with frequency can be characterized as an inductance. The circuit yields such a response with the effective inductance being equal to:  $L = R_1 R_2 C$ . The Q of this inductance depends upon  $R_1$  being equal to  $R_2$ . At the same time, however, the positive and negative feedback paths of the amplifier are equal leading to the distinct possibility of instability at high frequencies.  $R_1$  should therefore always be slightly smaller than  $R_2$  to assure stable operation.

## RESISTOR MULTIPLIER

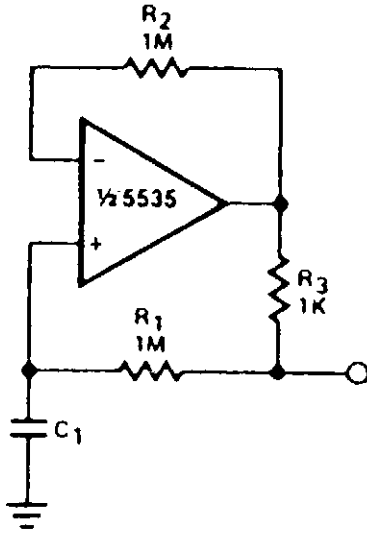


$$R_{in} = R_1 \left( 1 + \frac{R_3}{R_2} \right)$$

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Fig. 29-2

## CAPACITANCE MULTIPLIER



### Circuit Notes

The circuit can be used to simulate large capacitances using small value components. With the values shown and  $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$ , an effective capacitance of  $10,000 \mu\text{F}$  was obtained. The Q available is limited by the effective series resistance. So  $R_1$  should be as large as practical.

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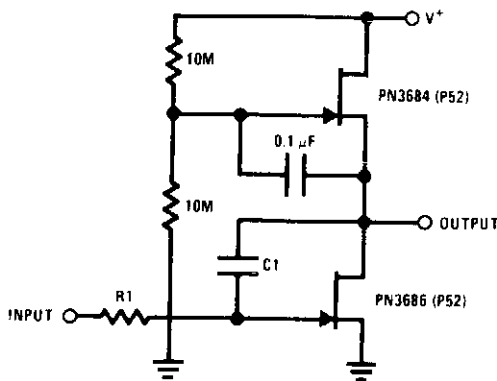
### NOTE:

All resistor values are in ohms.

SIGNETICS

Fig. 29-3

## JFET ac COUPLED INTEGRATOR



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### Circuit Notes

This circuit utilizes the " $\mu$ -amp" technique to achieve very high voltage gain. Using  $C_1$  in the circuit as a Miller integrator, or capacitance multiplier, allows this simple circuit to handle very long time constants.

Fig. 29-4

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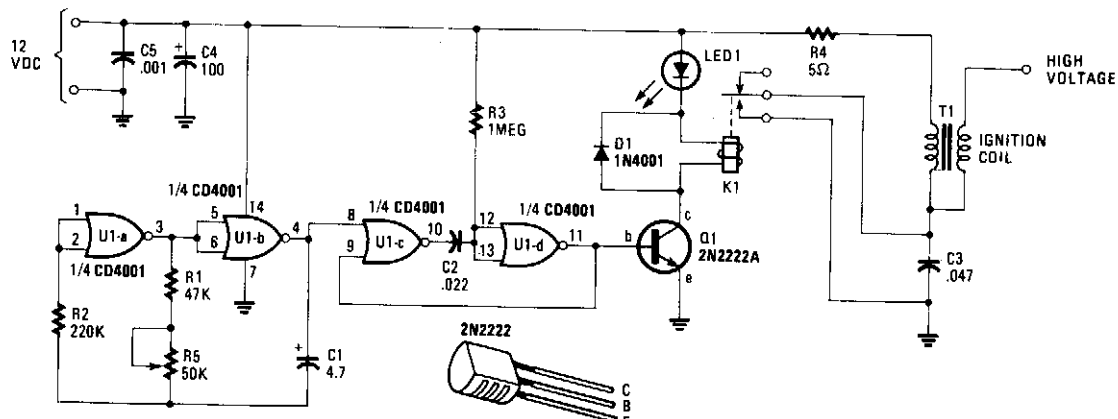
## Fence Chargers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Battery-Powered Fence Charger  
Solid-State Electric Fence Charger  
Electric Fence Charger

## BATTERY-POWERED FENCE CHARGER



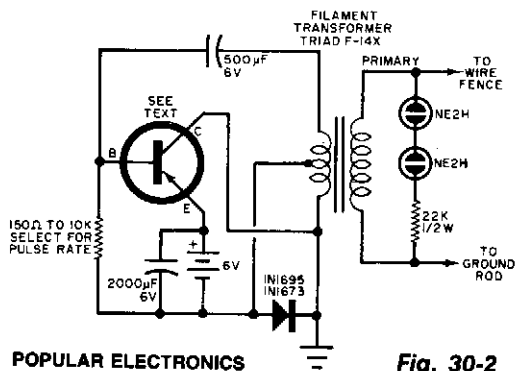
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 30-1

### Circuit Notes

In essence, the circuit is nothing more than an auto ignition coil and a set of points which accomplishes the same thing. A pulsing circuit made from a single CMOS NOR integrated circuit (U1), opens and closes the relay contacts to simulate the action of the original breaker points. The relay pulser is divided into two clocking functions. The first circuit is a free-running squarewave generator that determines the rate or frequency of the pulses that activate the relay. It is essentially a pair of NOR gates connected as inverters and placed in a feedback loop, they are U1-b. The oscillating period of the feedback loop is determined by timing components C1, R1, and variable resistor R5.

## ELECTRIC FENCE CHARGER



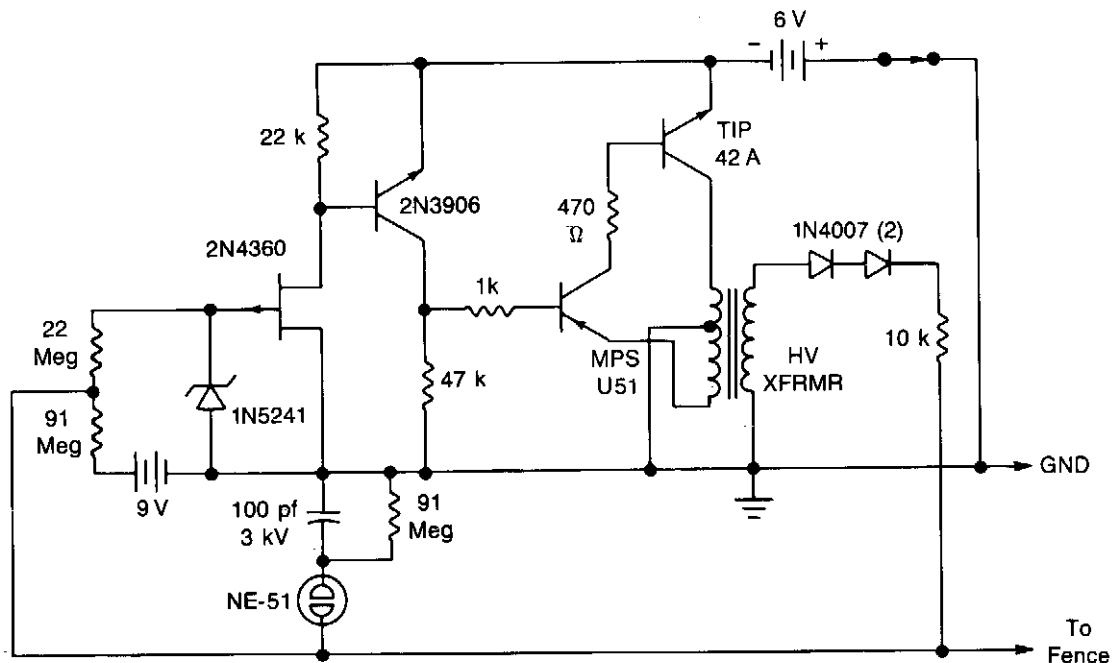
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 30-2

### Circuit Notes

Any good power transistor can be used in this circuit. The base resistor should be adjusted to obtain a pulse rate of about 50 pulses per minute. The range of values shown can go from 10 pulses to 100 pulses per minute. The single fence wire must be insulated at each supporting pole and should be mounted low enough to prevent an animal from crawling under the wire. The two neon lamps indicate when the unit is operating.

## SOLID-STATE ELECTRIC FENCE CHARGER



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Fig. 30-3

### Circuit Notes

A touch-sensing circuit keeps the high-voltage generator cut off until something touches the fence wire. Contact with the fence sensing circuit wire starts the high-voltage generator which applies a series of 500 microsecond pulses at approximately 300 volts to the fence wire. Pulse repetition rate is determined by the intruder's resistance to earth ground. The lower the resistance, the higher the pulse rate. A ground rod is inserted several inches into the ground near the fence wire. In the sensing mode the neon lamp should not flicker or light. If it does, it indicates leakage between the fence wire and ground. If sensitivity is too great, it can be reduced by changing the 91 Meg resistor to 47 or 22 Meg as required.

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## Fiberoptics Circuits

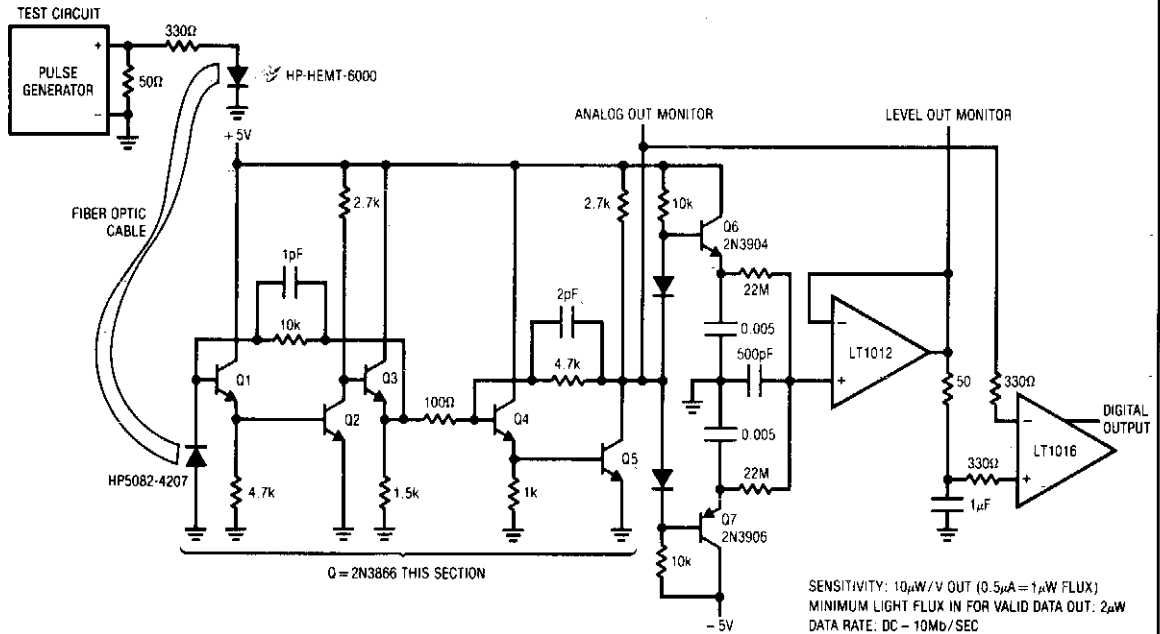
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Fiberoptic Interface  
10 MHz Fiberoptic Receiver  
DC Variable Speed Motor Control via Fiberoptics



## 10 MHz FIBEROPTIC RECEIVER



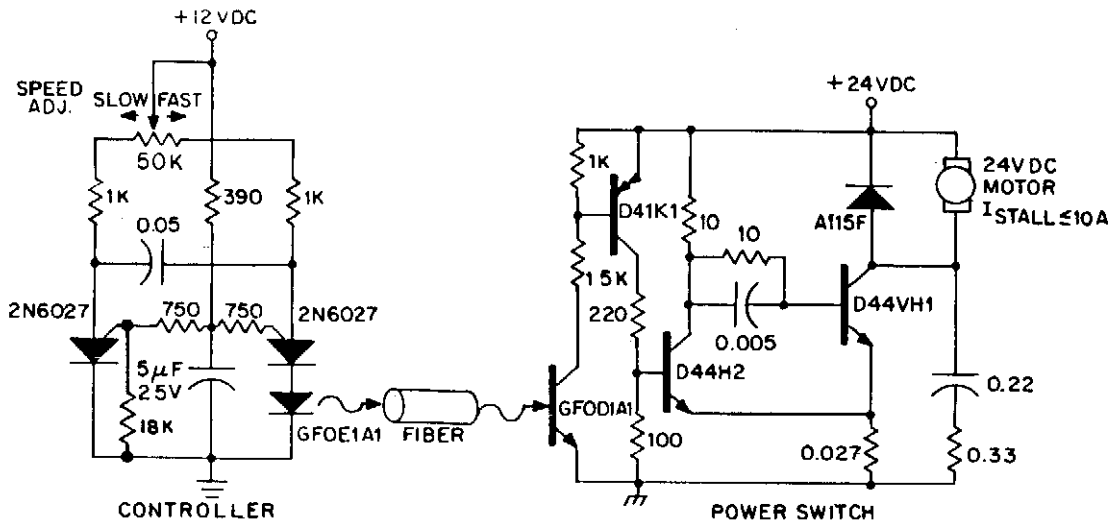
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Fig. 31-1

### Circuit Notes

The receiver will accurately condition a wide range of light inputs at up to 10 MHz data rates. The optical signal is detected by the PIN photodiode and amplified by a broadband fed-back stage, Q1-Q3. A second, similar, stage gives further amplification. The output of this stage (Q5's collector) biases a 2-way peak detector (Q6-Q7). The maximum peak is stored in Q6's emitter capacitor while the minimum excursion is retained in Q7's emitter capacitor. The dc value of Q5's output signal's mid-point appears at the junction of the  $0.005\mu\text{F}$  capacitor and the 22 M ohm unit. This point will always sit midway between the signal's excursions, regardless of absolute amplitude. This signal-adaptive voltage is buffered by the low bias LT1012 to set the trigger voltage at the LT1016's positive input. The LT1016's negative input is biased directly from Q5's collector.

## DC VARIABLE SPEED MOTOR CONTROL VIA FIBEROPTICS



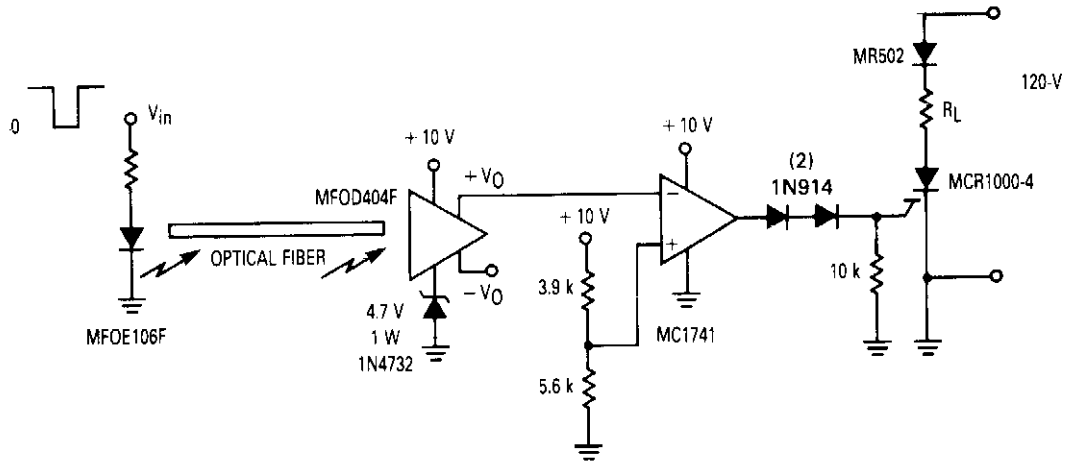
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 31-2

### Circuit Notes

Dc power can also be controlled via fiber optics. The circuit provides an insulated speed control path for a small dc actuator motor ( $\leq \frac{1}{2}$  hp). Control logic is a self-contained module requiring about 300 mW at 12 V, which can be battery powered. The control module furnishes infrared pulses, at a rate of 160 Hz, with a duty cycle determined by the position of the speed adjust potentiometer. The programmable unijunction multivibrator provides approximately 10 mA pulses to the GFOE1A1 at duty cycles adjustable over a range of 1% to 99%. The infrared pulses are detected by the GFOD1A1, amplified by the D39C1 pnp Darlington, and supplied to the power drive switch, which is connected in a Schmitt trigger configuration to supply the motor voltage pulses during the infrared pulses. Thus, the motor's average supply voltage is pulse width modulated to the desired speed, while its current is maintained between pulses by the A115F free-wheeling diode. The snubber network connected in parallel with the power switch minimizes peak power dissipation in the output transistor, and enhancing reliability. Larger hp motors can be driven by adding another stage of current gain, while longer fiber range lengths can be obtained with an amplifier transistor driving the GFOE1A1.

## FIBEROPTIC INTERFACE



MOTOROLA

Fig. 31-3

### Circuit Notes

An op amp is used to interface between a fiberoptic system and the MOS SCR to multi-cycle, half-wave control of a load. This receiver has two complementary outputs, one at a quiescent level of about 0.6 V and the second at 3 V. By adding a 4.7 V zener in series with the return bus, the effective  $V_{CC}$  becomes 5.3 V and also the 0.6 V output level is translated up to about 5.3 V. This level is compatible with the reference input (5.9 V) of the single-ended powered op-amp acting as a comparator.

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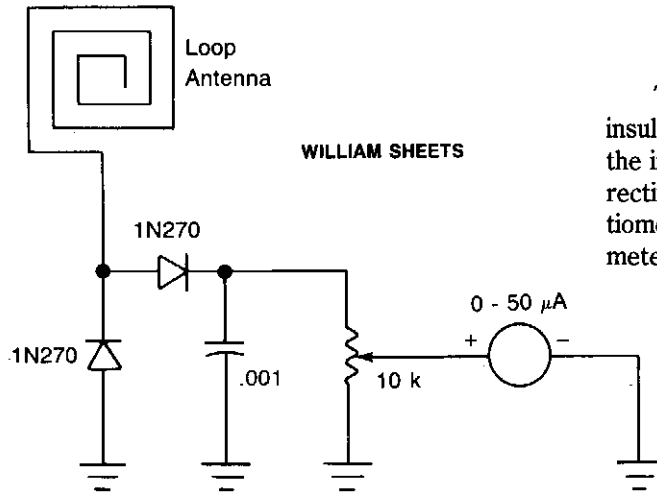
## Field Strength Meters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Field Strength Meter  
Field Strength Meter II  
RF Sniffer  
High Sensitivity Field Strength Meter  
Transmission Indicator  
LF or HF Field Strength Meter

## FIELD-STRENGTH METER

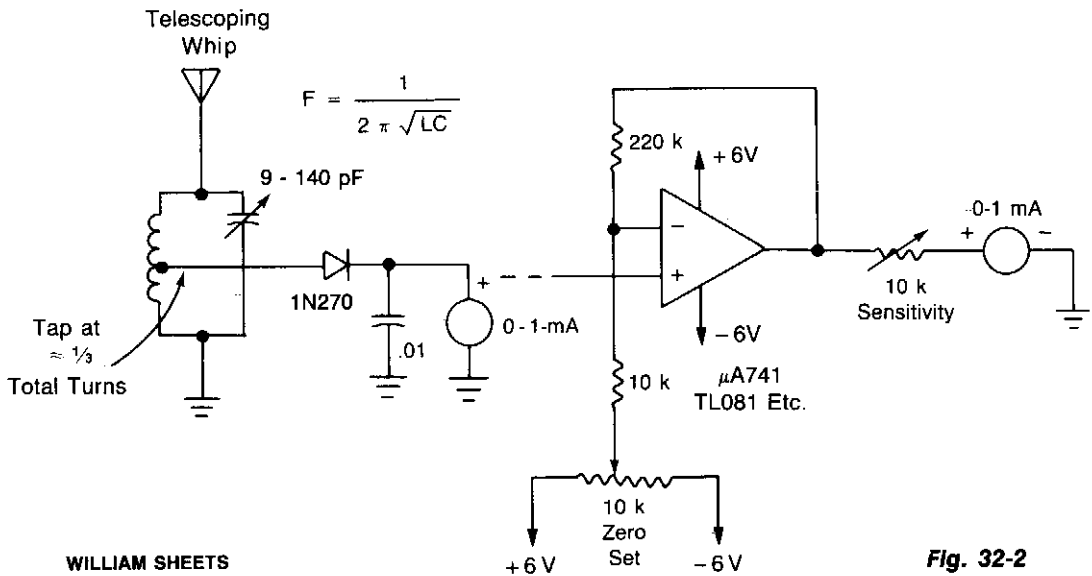


### Circuit Notes

The antenna consists of about 20 cm of insulated stranded wire glued or taped around the inside of a small plastic box. RF current is rectified by two diodes, and a 10 k potentiometer provides variable attenuation for the meter.

**Fig. 32-1**

## FIELD-STRENGTH METER II



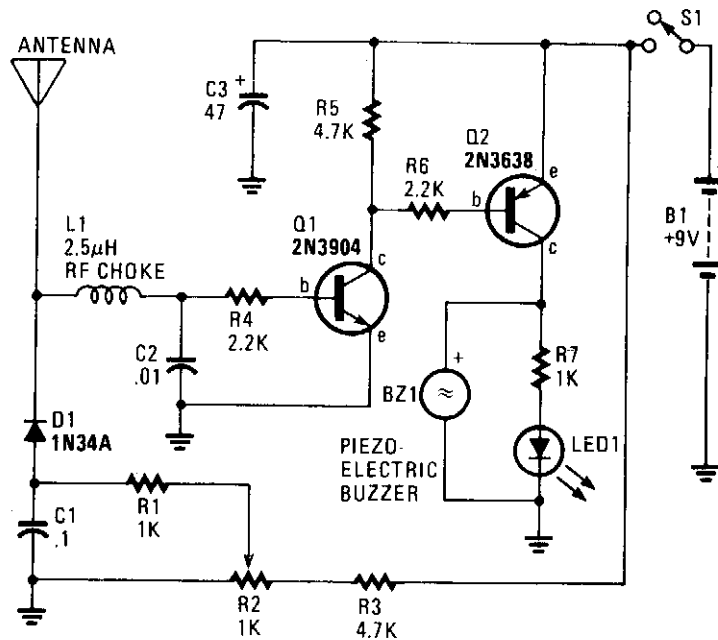
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**Fig. 32-2**

### Circuit Notes

“Minimum-parts” field-strength meter is shown here. For more distant testing, add the dc amplifier.

## RF SNIFFER



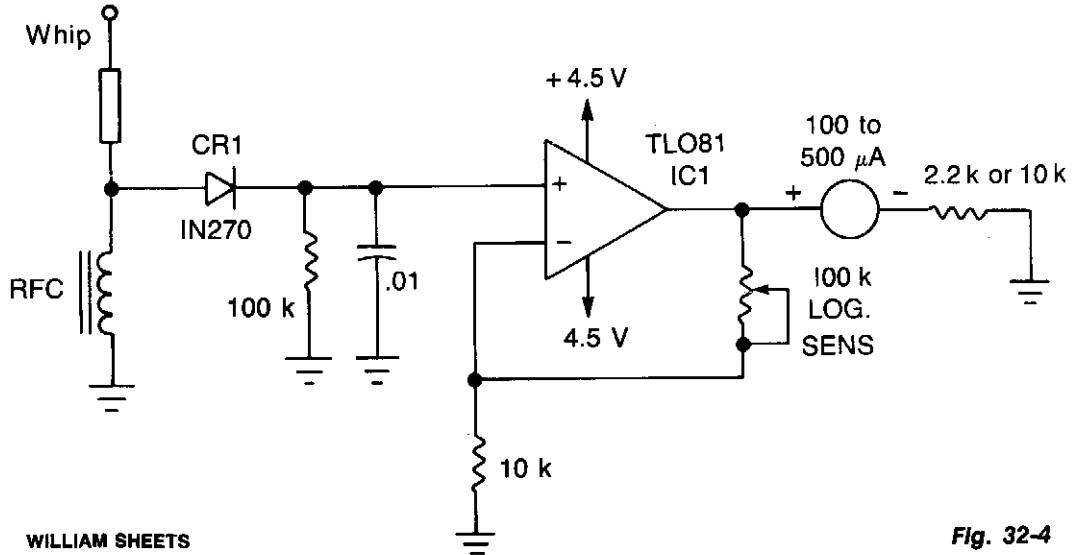
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Fig. 32-3

### Circuit Notes

This circuit responds to RF signals from below the standard broadcast band to well over 500 MHz, and provides a visual and audible indication when a signal is received. The circuit is designed to receive low-powered signals as well as strong sources of energy by adjusting the bias on the pick-up diode, D1, with R2. A very sensitive setting can be obtained by carefully adjusting R2 until the LED just begins to light and a faint sound is produced by the Piezo sounder.

### HIGH-SENSIVITY FIELD STRENGTH METER



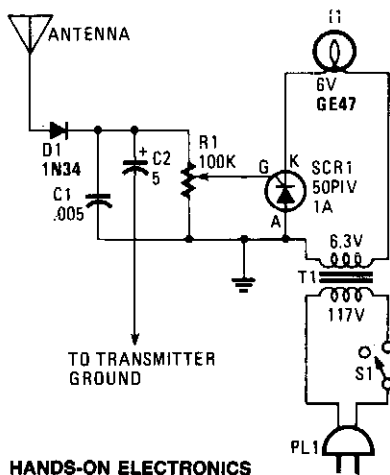
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Fig. 32-4

#### Circuit Notes

A TL081 (IC1 op amp is used to increase sensitivity. RF signal is detected by CR1 and is then amplified by IC1. Full-scale sensitivity is set with the 100 K potentiometer.

### TRANSMISSION INDICATOR



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Fig. 32-5

#### Circuit Notes

Everytime the push-to-talk button is closed the light will go on. The antenna samples the output RF from the transmitter. That signal is then rectified (detected) by germanium diode D1, and used to charge capacitor C2. The dc output is used to trigger a small silicon-controlled rectifier (SCR1), which permits the current to flow through the small pilot lamp. For lower-power applications, such as CB radio, the antenna will have to be close-coupled to the antenna.

## LF OR HF FIELD STRENGTH METER

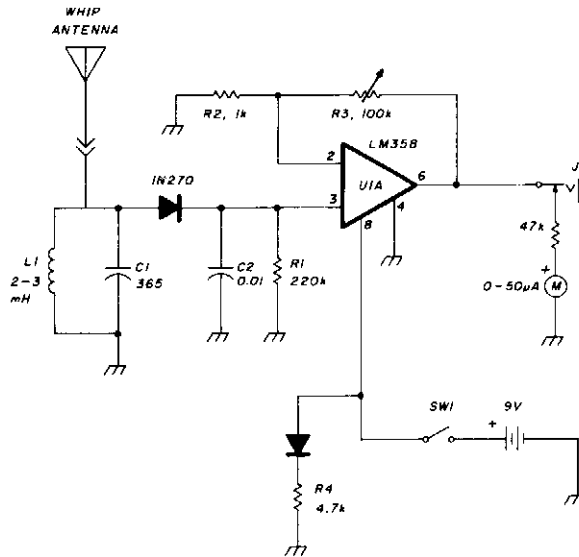


Table 1.

| L1          | C1<br>(variable) | Frequency<br>Range           | Ham Band                     |
|-------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 50 $\mu$ H  | 30-365 pF        | 1- 4 MHz                     | 160, 80 meters               |
| 3 $\mu$ H   | 30-365 pF        | 5-16 MHz                     | 40, 30, 20 meters            |
| 0.9 $\mu$ H | 30-365 pF        | 9-30 MHz                     | 30, 20, 15, 12, 10<br>meters |
| 2.5 mH      | —                | Broadband at<br>reduced gain |                              |

### HAM RADIO

**Fig. 32-6**

### Circuit Notes

C1 and L1 resonate on the 1750 meter band, with coverage from 150 kHz to 500 kHz. L1 can be slug-tuned for 160-to-190 kHz coverage alone or a 2.5 mH choke can be used for L1, if desired, using C1 for tuning. A 1N270 germanium diode rectifies the RF signal and C2 is charged at the peak RF level. This dc level is amplified by an LM358. The gain is determined by R2 and R3, 1 100-kilohm linear potentiometer that varies the dc gain from 1 to 100, driving the 50 microampere meter. This field strength meter need not be limited to LF use. The Table shows the L1 and C1 values for HF operation and broadband operation.



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## Filter Circuits

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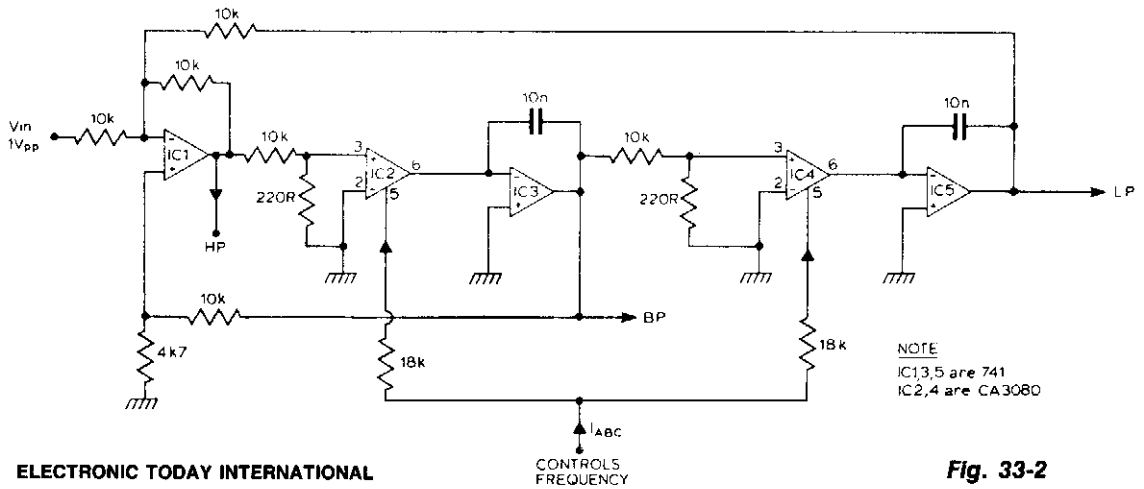
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Low Cost Universal Active Filter  
State Variable Filter  
Wideband Two-Pole High-Pass Filter  
Active Low-Pass Filter with Digitally Selected Break  
Frequency  
Digitally Tuned Low Power Active Filter  
Razor Sharp CW Filter  
Fifth Order Chebyshev Multiple Feedback Low-Pass  
Filter

Precision, Fast Settling Low-Pass Filter  
Programmable Bandpass Using Twin-T Bridge  
Active Bandpass Filter ( $f_0 = 1000$  Hz)  
Bandpass Filter  
Active Bandpass Filter  
Bandpass and Notch Filter  
Multiple-Feedback Bandpass Filter



## STATE VARIABLE FILTER



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Fig. 33-2

### Circuit Notes

The filter produces three outputs: high-pass, bandpass, and low-pass. Frequency is linearly proportional to the gain of the two integrators. Two CA3080's, (IC2, 4) provide the variable gain, the resonant frequency being proportional to the current  $I_{ABC}$ . Using 741 op amps for IC3 a control range of 100 to 1, (resonant frequency) can be obtained. If CA3140's are used instead of 741's then this range can be extended to nearly 10,000 to 1.

## WIDEBAND TWO-POLE HIGH-PASS FILTER

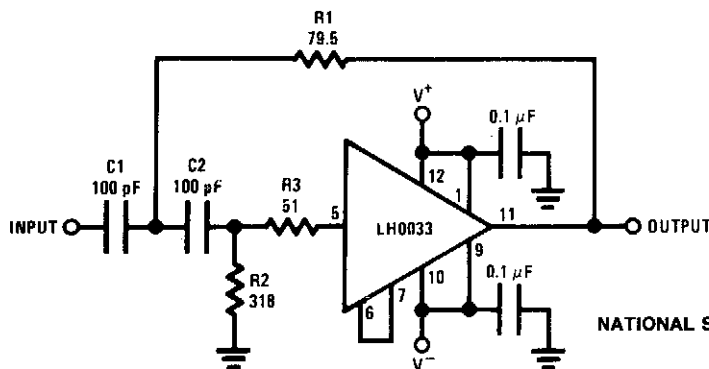


Fig. 33-3

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### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides a 10MHz cutoff frequency. Resistor R3 ensures that the input capacitance of the amplifier does not interact with the filter response at the frequency of interest. An equivalent low pass filter is similarly obtained by capacitance and resistance transformation.

# ACTIVE LOW-PASS FILTER WITH DIGITALLY SELECTED BREAK FREQUENCY

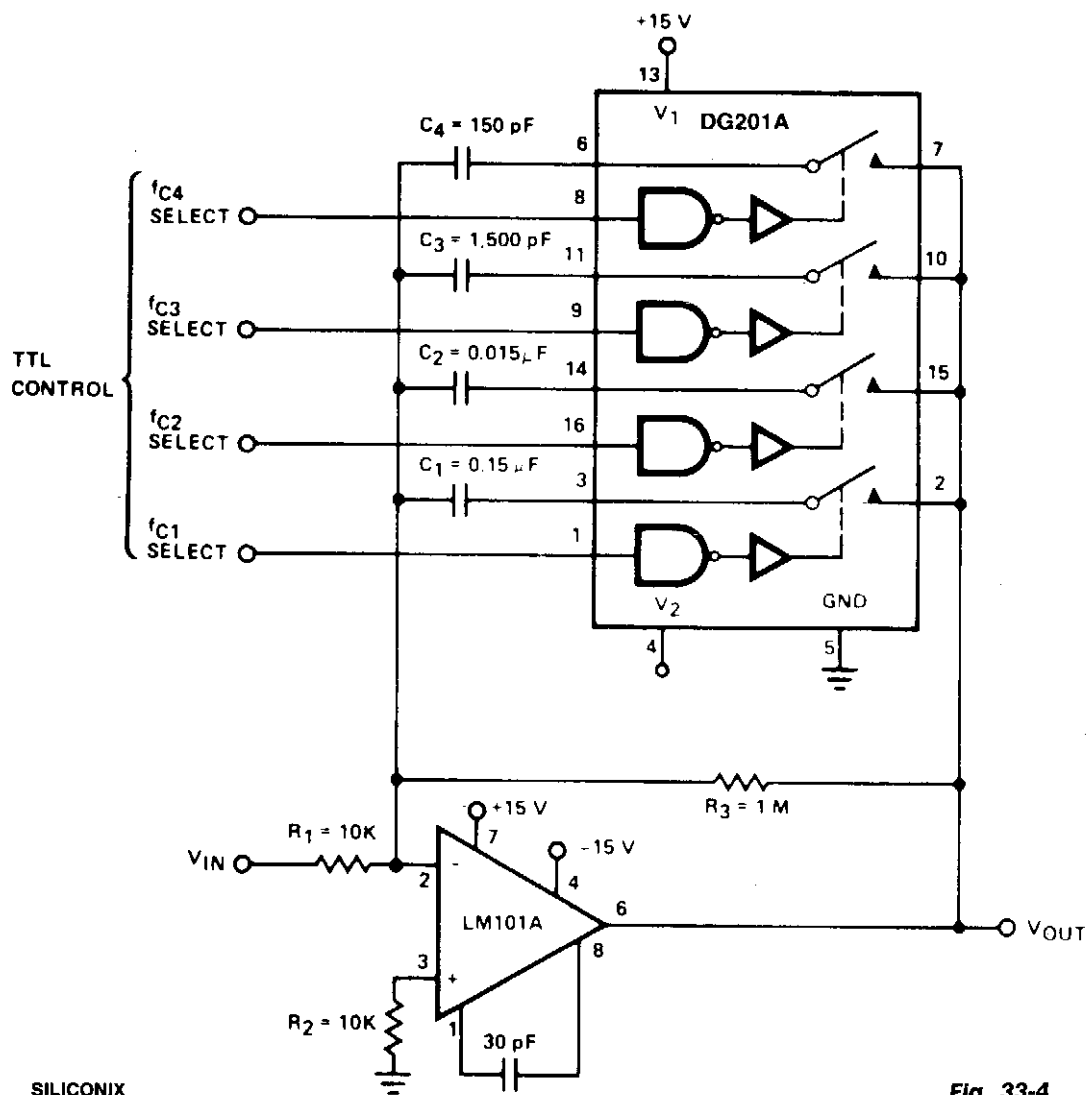
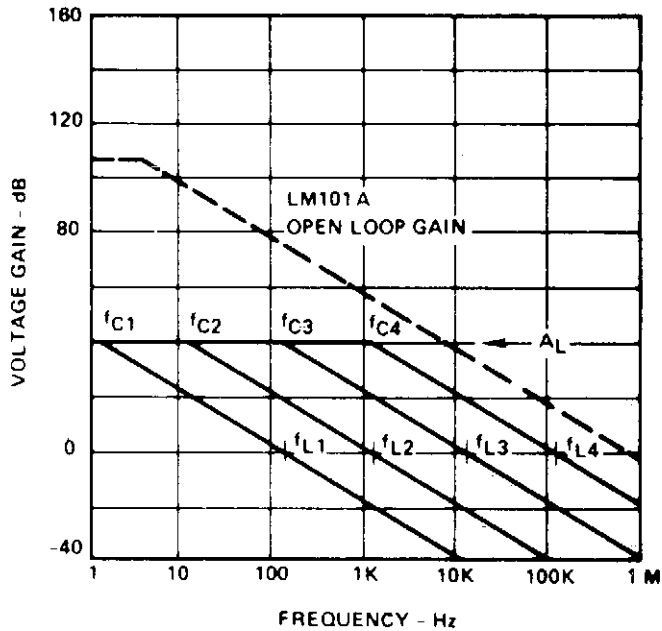


Fig. 33-4

## Circuit Notes

Variable low-pass filter has break frequencies at 1, 10, 100 Hz and 1 kHz. The break frequency is

$$1. f_c = \frac{1}{2 \pi R_3 C_X}$$



$A_L$  (VOLTAGE GAIN BELOW BREAK FREQUENCY)

$$= \frac{R_3}{R_1} = 100 \text{ (40 dB)}$$

$$f_c \text{ (BREAK FREQUENCY)} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_3 C_X}$$

$$f_L \text{ (UNITY GAIN FREQUENCY)} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_1 C_X}$$

$$\text{MAX ATTENUATION} = \frac{r_{DS(on)}}{10K} \approx -40 \text{ dB}$$

The low frequency gain is

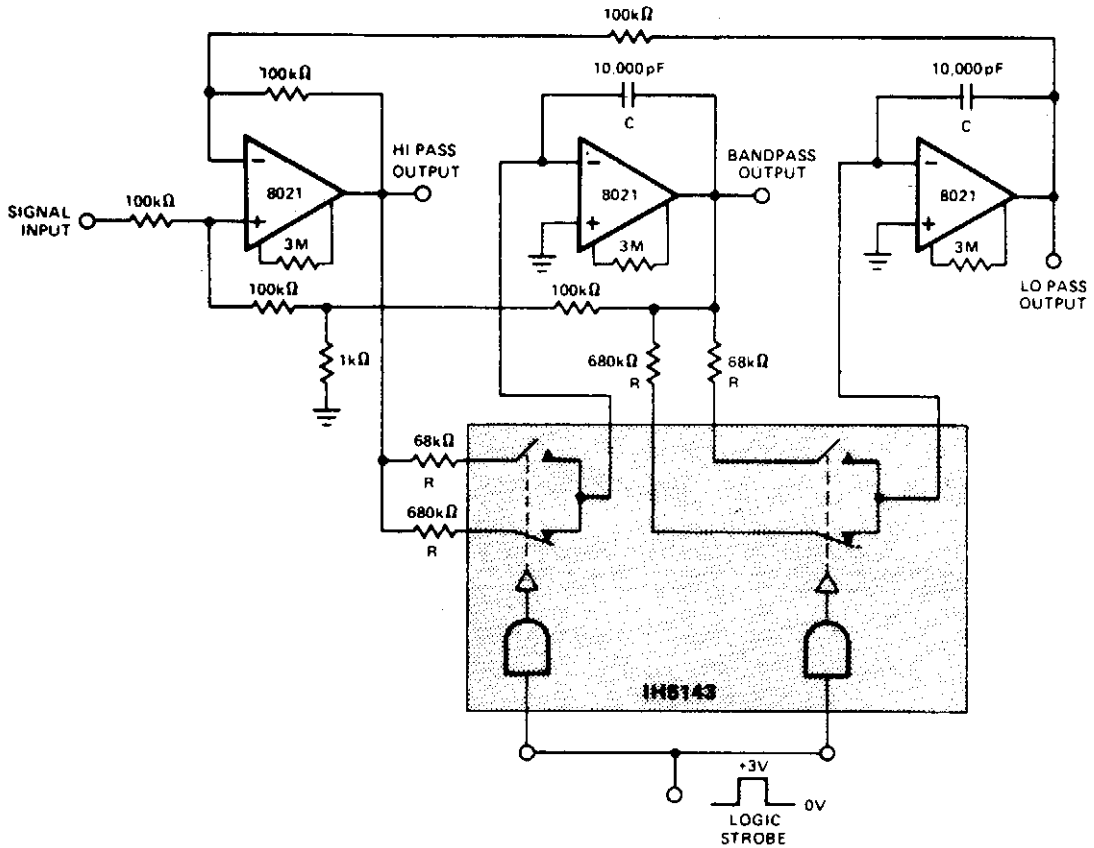
$$2. \quad A_L = \frac{R_3}{R_1} = 100 \text{ (40 dB)}$$

A second break frequency (a zero) is introduced by  $r_{DS(on)}$  of the DG201A, causing the minimum gain to be

$$3. \quad A_{MIN} = \frac{r_{DS(on)}}{R_1} \approx \frac{100}{10K} = .01,$$

a maximum attenuation of 40 dB (80 dB relative to the low frequency gain).

## DIGITALLY TUNED LOW POWER ACTIVE FILTER



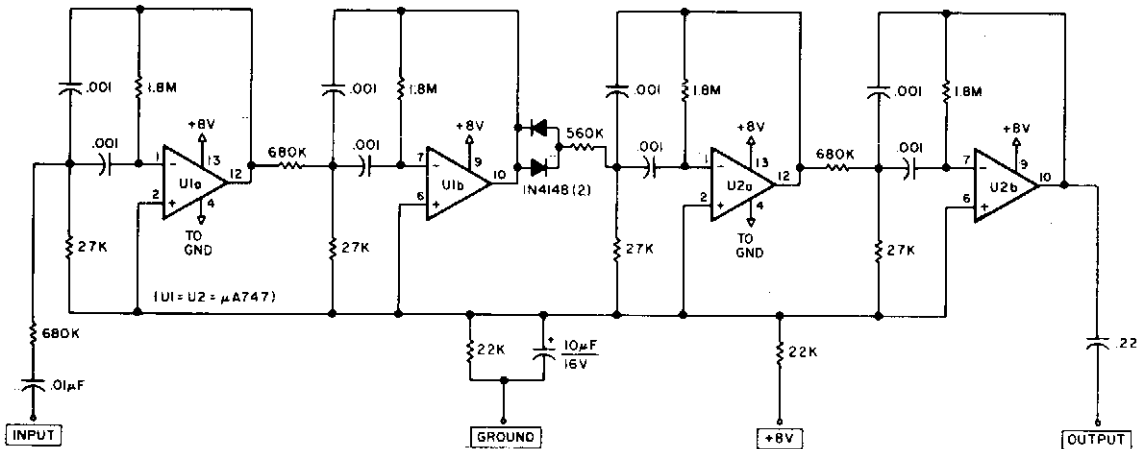
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Fig. 33-5

### Circuit Notes

This constant gain, constant  $Q$ , variable frequency filter provides simultaneous low-pass, bandpass, and high-pass outputs with the component values shown, the center frequency will be 235 Hz and 23.5 Hz for high and low logic inputs respectively,  $Q = 100$ , and gain = 100.

### RAZOR-SHARP CW FILTER



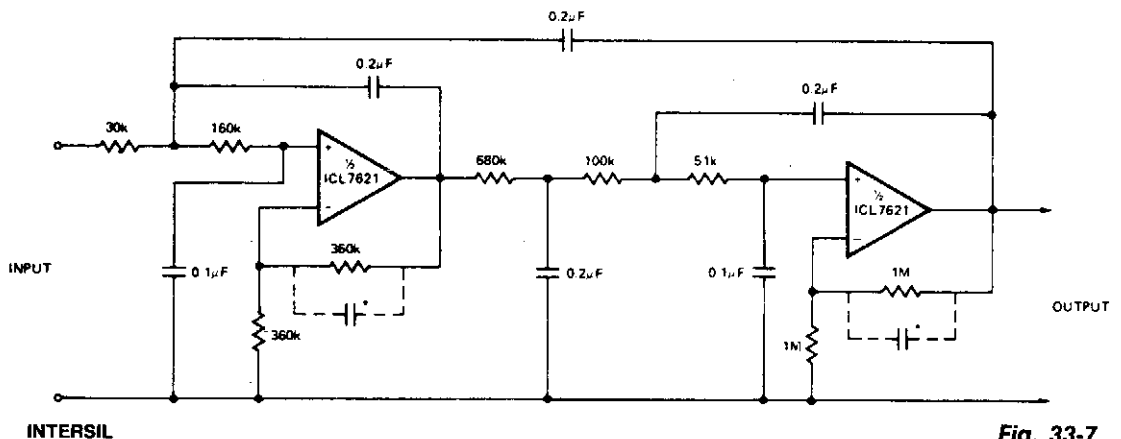
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Fig. 33-6

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of four stages of active bandpass filtering provided by two type- $\mu$ A747 integrated-circuit dual op amps and includes a simple threshold detector (diodes D1 and D2) between stages 2 and 3 to reduce low-level background noise. Each of the four filter stages acts as a narrow bandpass filter with an audio bandpass centered at 750 Hz. The actual measured 3-dB bandwidth is only 80 Hz wide.

### FIFTH ORDER CHEBYSHEV MULTIPLE FEEDBACK LOW PASS FILTER



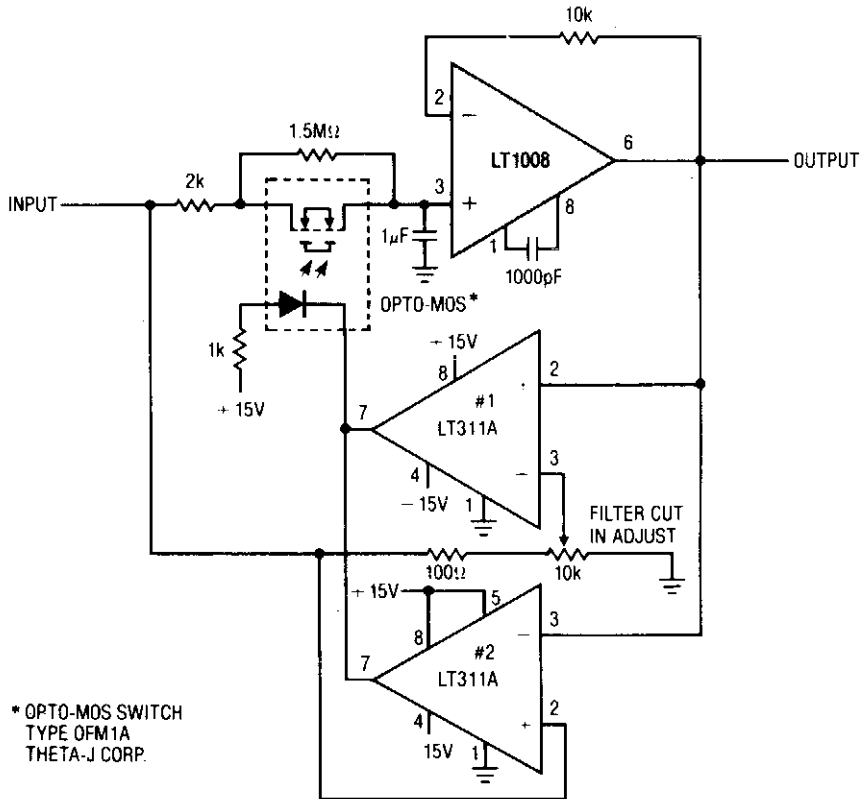
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Fig. 33-7

#### Circuit Notes

The low bias currents permit high resistance and low capacitance values to be used to achieve low frequency cutoff.  $f_c = 10$  Hz,  $A_{VCL} = 4$ , Passband ripple = 0.1 dB. Note that small capacitors (25-50 pF) may be needed for stability in some cases.

## PRECISION, FAST SETTLING, LOW-PASS FILTER



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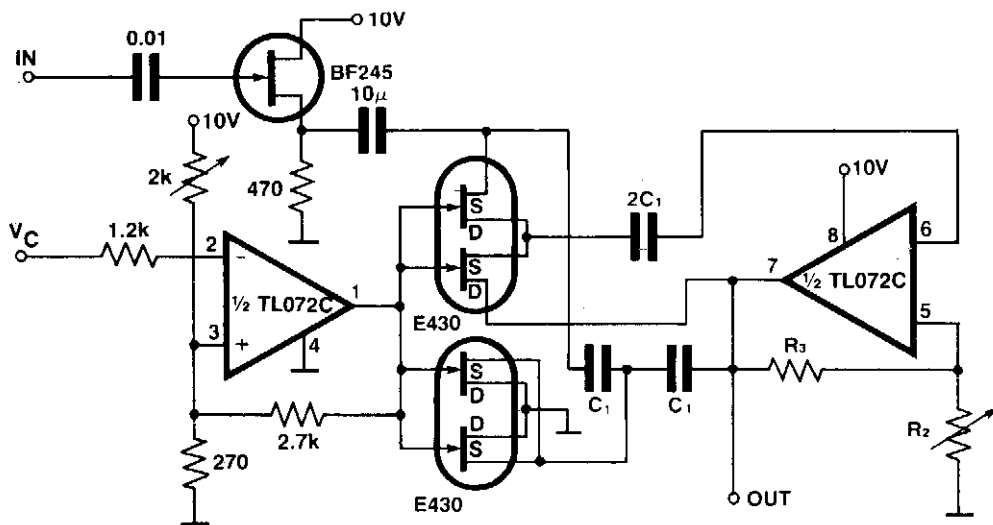
Fig. 33-8

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is useful where fast signal acquisition and high precision are required, as in electronic scales. The filter's time constant is set by the 2 K ohm resistor and the 1 μF capacitor until comparator No. 1 switches. The time constant is then set by the 1.5 M ohm resistor and the 1 μF capacitor. Comparator No. 2 provides a quick reset. The circuit settles to a final value three times as fast as a simple 1.5 M ohm—1 μF filter, with almost no dc error.



### PROGRAMMABLE BANDPASS USING TWIN-T BRIDGE



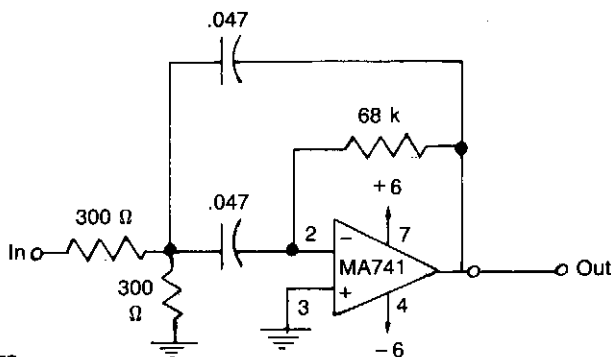
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Fig. 33-9

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit gives a programmable bandpass where both the cut-over frequency and the gain,  $A$ , are controlled independently. In the twin-T bridge the resistors  $R$  and  $R/2$  are replaced by two double FETs, E 430, the channel resistances of the first one in the series, the channel resistances of the second one are in parallel as to simulate the resistance  $R/2$ . Both these resistors are controlled by  $V_c$  which ranges from 0 V to about 1 V. The gain of the circuit is set by means of the resistors  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ .

### ACTIVE BANDPASS FILTER ( $f_0 = 1000$ Hz)



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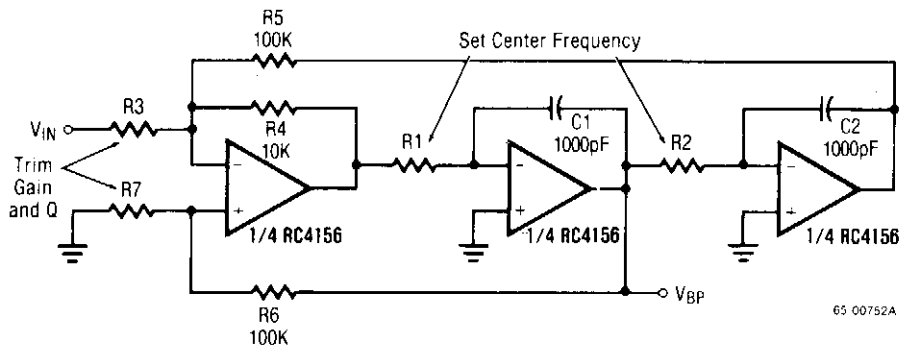
Fig. 33-10

#### Circuit Notes

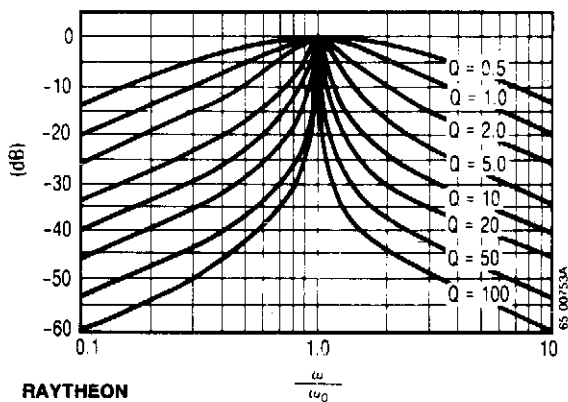
This filter has a bandpass centered around 1kHz, for applications such as bridge amplifiers, null detectors, etc.

The circuit uses a  $\mu$ A741 IC and standard 5% tolerance components.

## BANDPASS FILTER



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$$V_{BP} = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \frac{1}{Q} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^2}^2 + \left(\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^2}$$

Fig. 33-11

### Circuit Notes

The input signal is applied through R3 to the inverting input of the summing amplifier and the output is taken from the first integrator. The summing amplifier will maintain equal voltage at the inverting and non-inverting inputs. Defining  $1/R1C1$  as  $\omega_1$  and  $1/R2C2$  as  $\omega_2$ , this is now a convenient form to look at the center-frequency  $\omega_0$  and filter Q.

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{0.1 \omega_1 \omega_2}$$

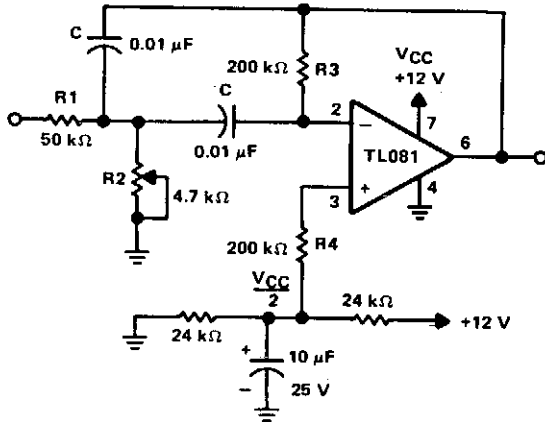
and Q =

$$\left[ \frac{1 + \frac{10^5}{R7}}{1.1 + \frac{10^4}{R3}} \right] \omega_0$$

$$= 10^{-9} \sqrt{0.1R1R2}$$

The frequency response for various values of Q is shown.

## ACTIVE BANDPASS FILTER



### Circuit Notes

The circuit is a two-pole active filter using a TL081 op amp. This type of circuit is usable only for  $Q$ s less than 10. The component values for this filter are calculated from the following equations.

$$R1 = \frac{Q}{2 fGC} \qquad R3 = \frac{2Q}{2fC}$$

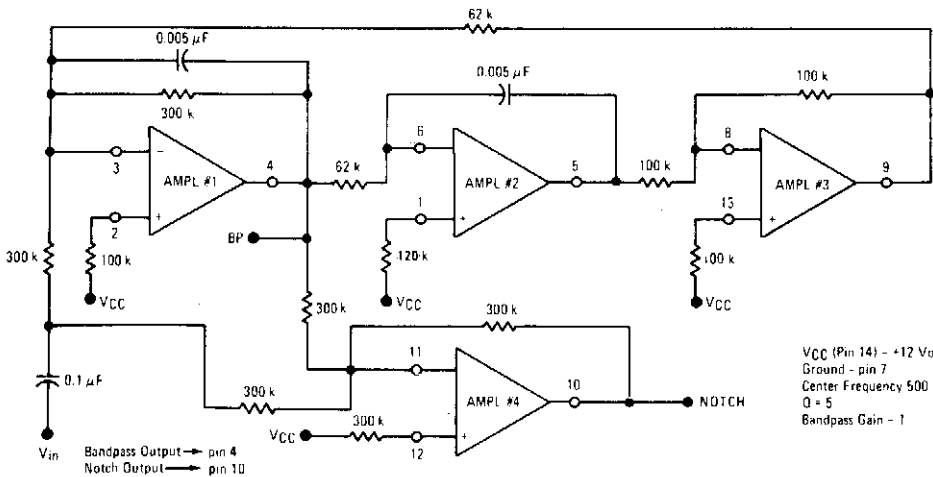
$$R2 = \frac{Q}{(2Q^2 - G)2fC} \qquad R4 = R3$$

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**Fig. 33-12**

The values shown are for a center frequency of 800 Hz.

## BANDPASS AND NOTCH FILTER



MOTOROLA

$V_{CC}$  (Pin 14) - +12 Volts  
Ground - pin 7  
Center Frequency 500 Hz  
 $Q = 5$   
Bandpass Gain - 1

**Fig. 33-13**

### Circuit Notes

The Quad op amp MC4301 is used to configure a filter that will notch out a given frequency and produce that notched-out frequency at the BP terminal, useful in communications or measurement setups. By proper component selection any frequency filter up to a few tens of kilohertz can be obtained.

## MULTIPLE-FEEDBACK BANDPASS FILTER

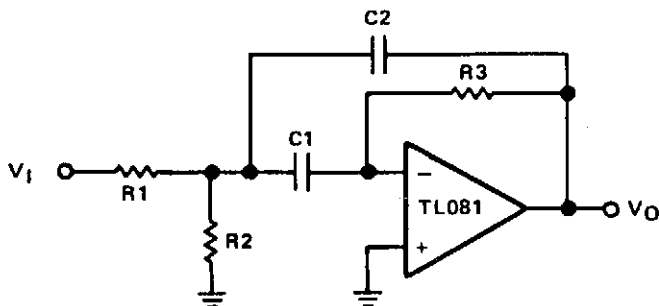


Fig. 33-14

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

### Circuit Notes

The op amp is connected in the inverting mode. Resistor  $R_3$  from the output to the inverting input sets the gain and current through the frequency-determining capacitor,  $C_1$ . Capacitor  $C_2$  provides feedback from the output to the junction of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are always equal in value. Resistor  $R_2$  may be made adjustable in order to adjust the center frequency which is determined from:

$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi C} \times \frac{1}{R_3} \times \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 R_2}$$

When designing a filter of this type it is best to select a value for  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , keeping them equal. Typical audio filters have capacitor values from  $0.01 \mu\text{F}$  to  $0.1 \mu\text{F}$  which will result in reasonable values for the resistors.

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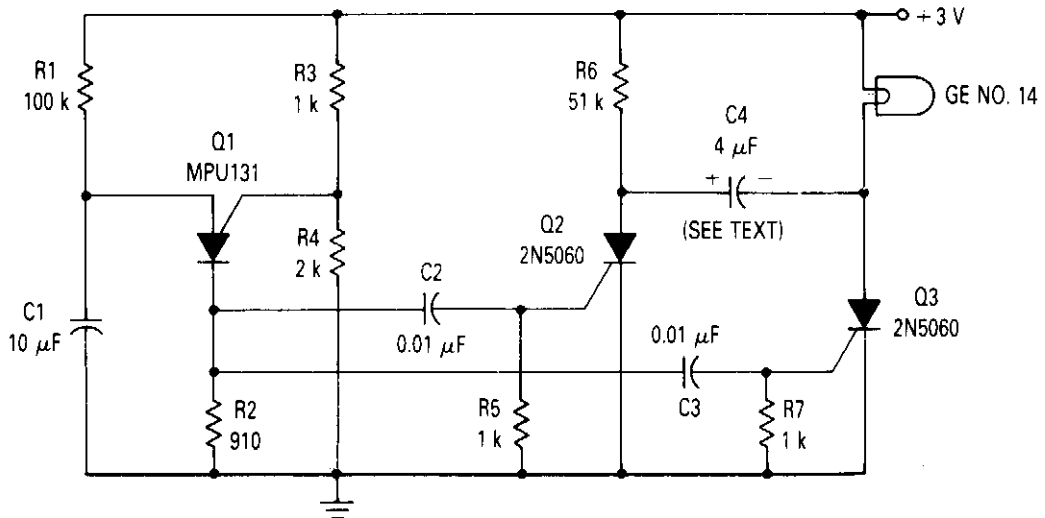
## Flashers and Blinkers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

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| Low Voltage Lamp Flasher                                 | 2 kW Flasher with Photoelectric Control |
| Miniature Transistorized Light Flasher                   | Sequential Flasher                      |
| Alternating Flasher                                      | 1 kW Flip-Flop Flasher Circuit          |
| Electronic Light Flasher                                 | Low Frequency Oscillator Flasher        |
| High-Power Battery-Operated Flasher                      | High Drive Oscillator/Flasher           |
| Series SCR Lamp Flasher Handles a Wide Range<br>of Loads | Transistorized Flashers                 |
| SCR Relaxation Flasher                                   | Sequential ac Flasher                   |
| Low Current Consumption Lamp Flasher                     | Astable Flip-Flop with Starter          |
| LED Flasher Uses PUT                                     | LED Flasher Uses UJT                    |

## LOW VOLTAGE LAMP FLASHER



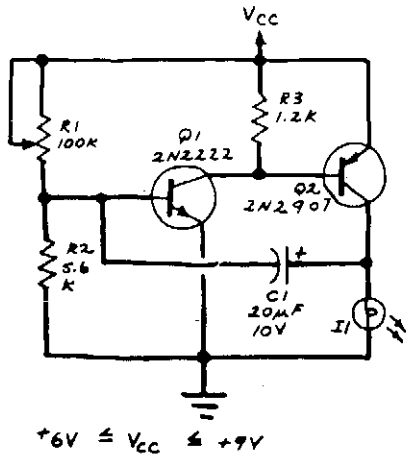
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**Fig. 34-1**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is composed of a relaxation oscillator formed by Q1 and an SCR flip-flop formed by Q2 and Q3. With the supply voltage applied to the circuit, the timing capacitor C1 charges to the firing point of the PUT, 2 volts plus a diode drop. The output of the PUT is coupled through two 0.02 μF capacitors to the gate of Q2 and Q3. To clarify operation, assume that Q3 is on and capacitor C4 is charged plus to minus as shown in the figure. The next pulse from the PUT oscillator turns Q2 on. This places the voltage on C4 across Q3 which momentarily reverse biases Q3. This reverse voltage turns Q3 off. After discharging, C4 then charges with its polarity reversed to that shown. The next pulse from Q1 turns Q3 on and Q2 off. Note that C4 is a non-polarized capacitor. For the component values shown, the lamp is on for about ½ second and off the same amount of time.

## MINIATURE TRANSISTORIZED LIGHT FLASHER



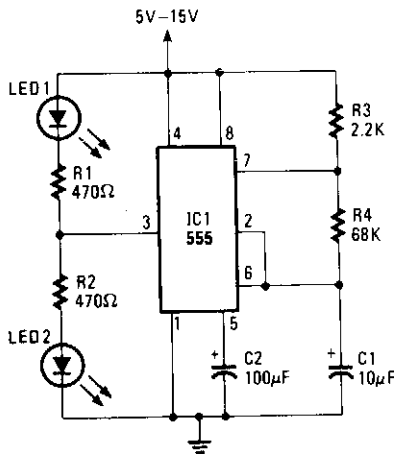
### Circuit Notes

R1 adjusts the flash rate. The lamp should be a No. 122, No. 222 or other similar, miniature incandescent lamp.

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Fig. 34-2

## ALTERNATING FLASHER



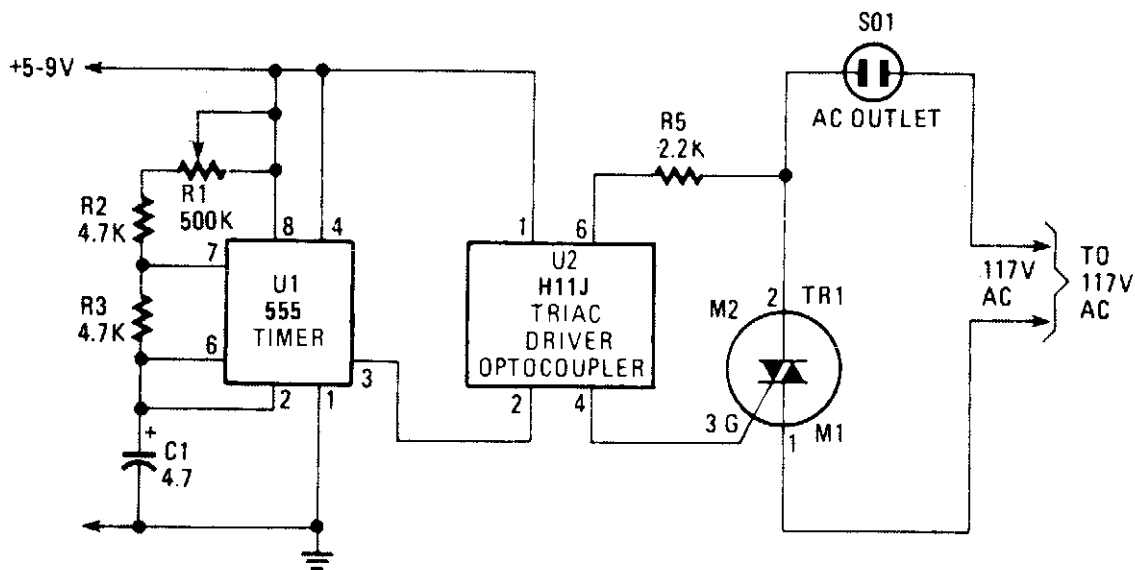
### Circuit Notes

The LED's flash alternately. The flash rate is determined by C1 and R4.

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-3

## ELECTRONIC LIGHT FLASHER



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-4

### Circuit Notes

The blinking or flashing rate is determined by U1, a 555 timer integrated circuit. Its output, at pin 3, feeds U2, a H11J triac driver. That driver consists of an infrared LED that is coupled internally to a light-activated silicon bilateral switch (DIAC). When the LED internal to U2 is turned on by the timer, U1, its light triggers the DIAC; effectively closing the circuit between pins 4 and 6, and fires the Triac, TR1 through its gate circuit. When the Triac is firing, it acts as a closed circuit that turns on the light (or other device it may be controlling via S01). When the timer turns off, the LED, the DIAC and Triac stop conducting and the light turns off. The sequence then repeats. The flashing rate can be varied by means of R1, a 500,000 ohm potentiometer.





## SERIES SCR LAMP FLASHER HANDLES A WIDE RANGE OF LOADS

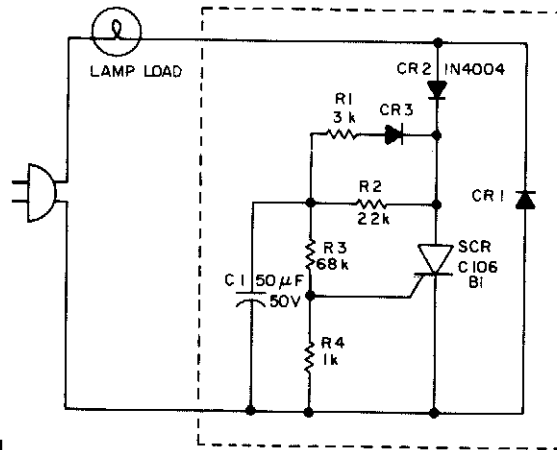


Fig. 34-6

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

### Circuit Notes

Brief full-power flashes are obtained when the SCR conducts during positive half cycles of the line voltage. The SCR fires when the voltage at the divider, R3 and R4, reaches the gate-firing level. Diode D1 conducts during the reverse cycle of the SCR and provides preheating current to the lamp filaments.

## SCR RELAXATION FLASHER

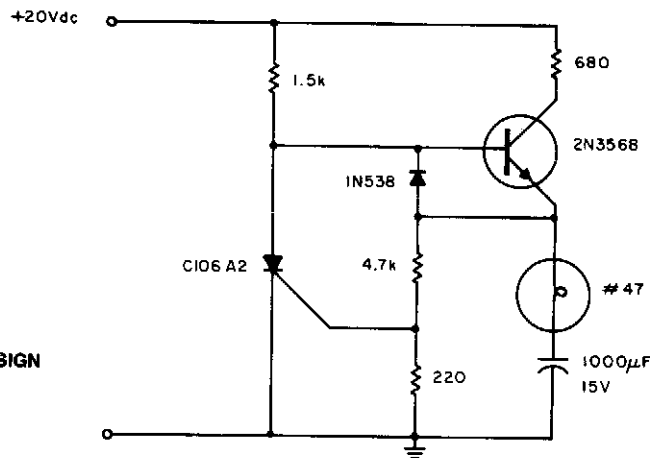


Fig. 34-7

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

### Circuit Notes

Flashing occurs each time the capacitor discharges through the turned-on SCR. When the discharge current falls below the SCR holding current, the SCR turns off, and the capacitor begins charging for another cycle. The circuit will maintain a slower but good flashing capability even after considerable battery degradation.

### LOW CURRENT CONSUMPTION LAMP FLASHER

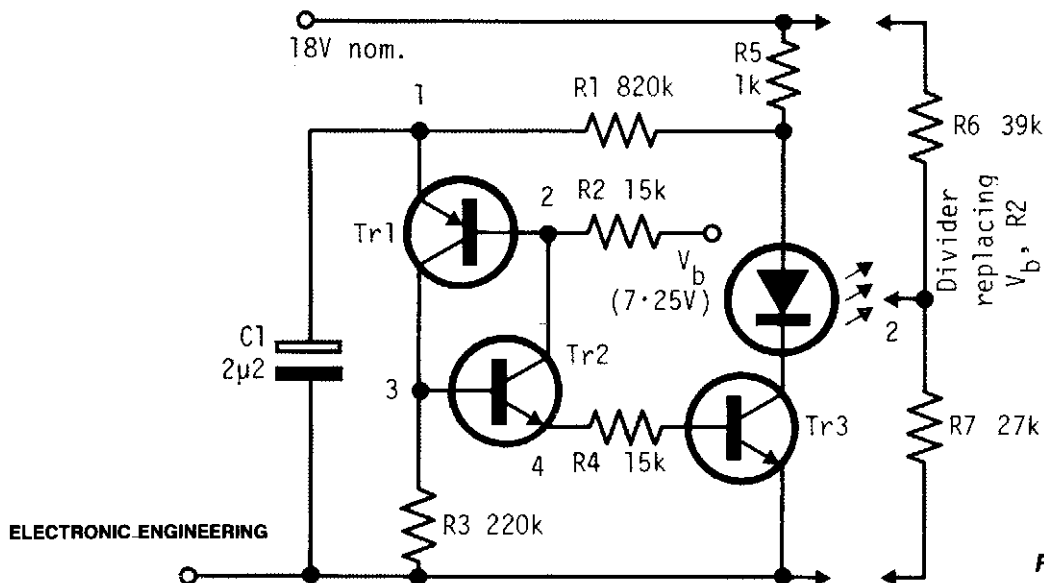


Fig. 34-8

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is economical in components, and will work with virtually any transistors and is reliably self-starting. The voltage  $V_b$  can be taken from a divider, as shown at the right. If taken from a fixed source, flashing becomes slower as battery voltage falls. The lowest drive current into the base of Tr3 is about  $(V_b - 0.6 \text{ V}) / (R_2 + R_4)$ . Resistor R4 limits the initial current from C1 and, as shown, R2 and R4 can be roughly equal when a divider is used for  $V_b$ . Resistor R2 equals  $R_6 R_7 / (R_6 + R_7)$ . With the voltages shown, and with  $R_2 = R_4$ , the on-time is about  $1.1 C_1 R_2$  and the off-time about  $0.28 C_1 R_1$ . Using the component values shown the period is about 0.55 sec. with a duty cycle of about 7% and a mean battery current including the  $V_b$  divider, about 1.5 mA.

### LED FLASHER USES UJT

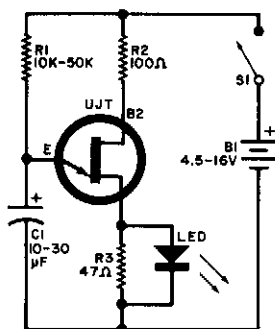
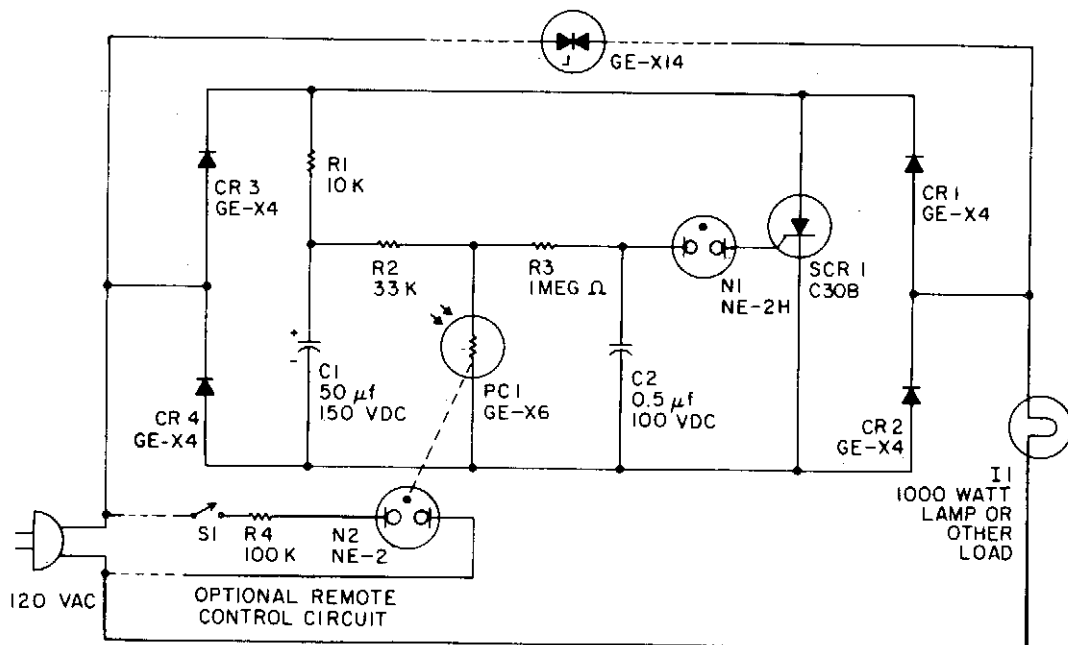


Fig. 34-9

#### Circuit Notes

A relaxation oscillator is used to flash an LED in the base circuit. C1 is charged slowly through R1 by the power source, then discharged periodically through R3 and the LED by the UJT. Flashing rate is determined by the supply voltage and by R1-C1's time constant. UJT = 2N4871

## 2 kW FLASHER WITH PHOTOELECTRIC CONTROL



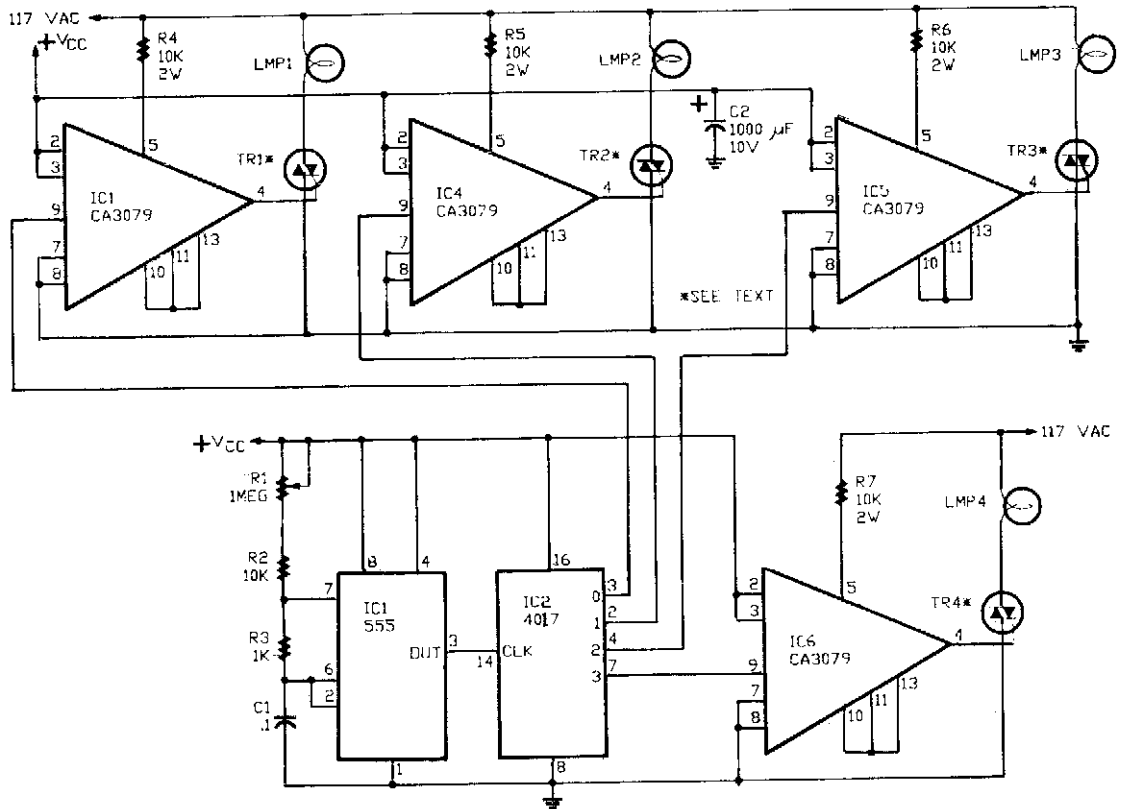
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 34-10

### Circuit Notes

CR1, CR2, CR3, and CR4 form a bridge circuit with the SCR across the dc legs. With light on the photoconductor PC1, C1 charges through R1 to about 150 Vdc. The resistance of PC1 is low when illuminated, so very little voltage appears across it or C2. At about 90 volts C1 starts discharging through R1 and the SCR, but the SCR cannot turn off until C1 is almost completely discharged. When the SCR turns off during the interval line voltage is near zero, the full supply voltage again appears across the bridge, and C1 charges again to a high voltage. The voltage on C2 also starts rising until the neon lamp fires and the cycle repeats. An alternative remote control can be made by adding a second neon lamp, N2, and masking the photocell so it sees only N2. A very sensitive remote control is thus obtained that is completely isolated from the load circuit. For low-voltage remote control a flashlight lamp may be used instead of N2 and operated at about ½ its normal voltage thus giving exceptionally long life. Performance of the photoelectric control may be inverted (flash when the photoconductor is illuminated) by interchanging PC1, and R2. Sensitivity in either the normal or inverted modes can be decreased by partially masking PC1, and can be increased by increasing resistor R2 to about 470 K. To increase on time, increase C1; to increase off time, increase R3.

## SEQUENTIAL FLASHER



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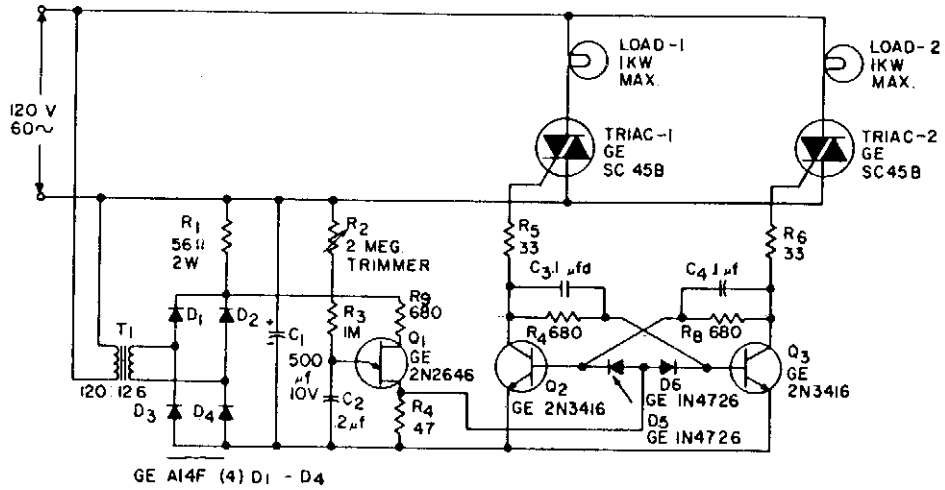
Fig. 34-11

### Circuit Notes

A 555 timer, IC1, drives a 4017 CMOS decade counter. Each of the 4017's first four outputs drives a CA3079 zero-voltage switch. Pin 9 of the CA3079 is used to inhibit output from pin 4, thereby disabling the string of pulses that IC normally delivers. Those pulses occur every 8.3 ms, i.e., at a rate of 120 Hz. Each pulse has a width of 120  $\mu$ s. Due to the action of the CA3079, the lamps connected to the TRI-AC's turn on and off near the zero crossing of the ac waveform. Switching at that point increases lamp life by reducing the inrush of current that would happen if the lamp were turned on near the high point of the ac waveform. In addition, switching at the zero crossing reduces Radio-Frequency Interference (RFI) considerably.

**CAUTION:** The CA3079's are driven directly from the 117-volt ac power line, so use care.

### 1 kW FLIP-FLOP FLASHER CIRCUIT



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 34-12

#### Circuit Notes

This is an application of the static switch circuit where the control logic is a flip-flop which is controlled by the unijunction transistor. The flashing rate can be adjusted from about 0.1 second to a 10 second cycle time.

### LOW FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR-FLASHER

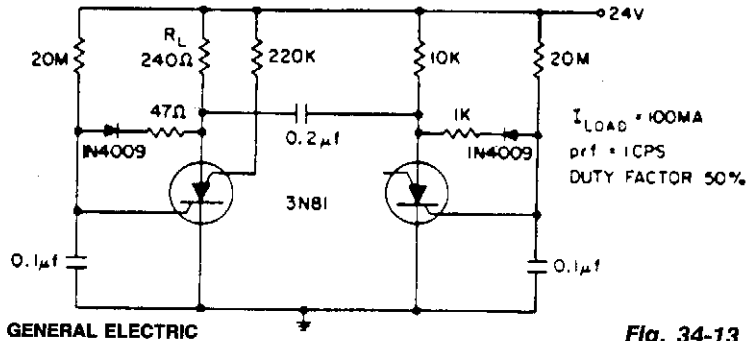
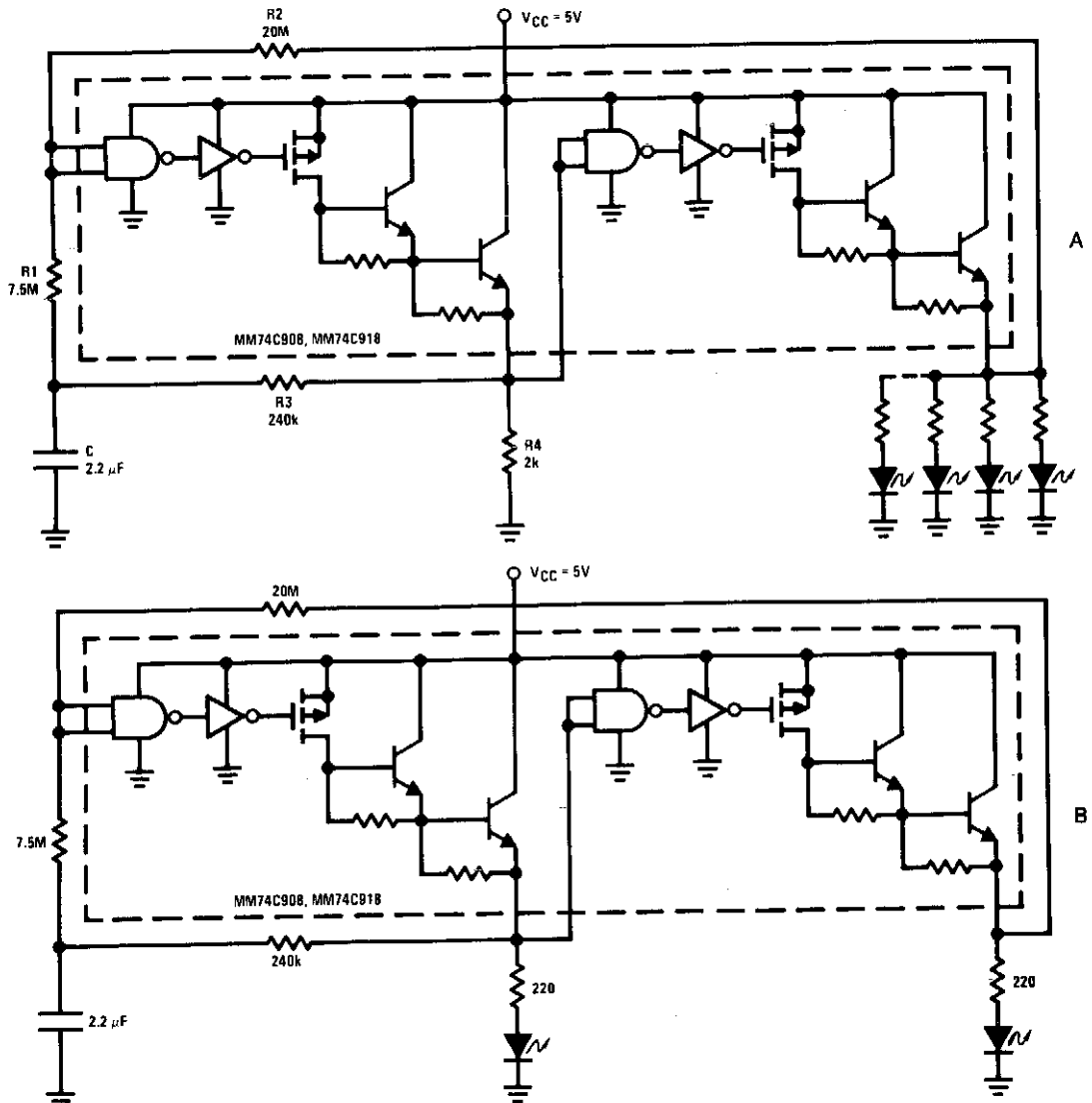


Fig. 34-13

#### Circuit Notes

Electrolytic capacitors are unnecessary to generate a 1 cps frequency. As an scs triggers on, the 0.2  $\mu$ F commutating capacitor turns off the other one and charges its gate capacitor to a negative potential. The gate capacitor charges towards 24 volts through 20 M retriggering its scs. Battery power is delivered to the load with 88% efficiency. The 20 M resistors can be varied to change prf or duty factor.

## HIGH DRIVE OSCILLATOR/FLASHER



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Fig. 34-14

### Circuit Notes

The driver in the package is connected as a Schmitt trigger oscillator (A) where R1 and R2 are used to generate hysteresis. R3 and C are the inverting feedback timing elements and R4 is the pull-down load for the first driver. Because of its current capability, the circuit can be used to drive an array of LEDs or lamps. If resistor R4 is replaced by an LED (plus a current limiting resistor), the circuit becomes a double flasher with the 2 LEDs flashing out of phase (B).

## TRANSISTORIZED FLASHERS

### AMBIENT TEMPERATURE

Flasher circuit performance as a function of temperature using limit sample transistors.

|            |                     | AMBIENT TEMPERATURE |      |       |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------|------|-------|
|            |                     | -40°F               | 77°F | 212°F |
| CIRCUIT #1 | Flashes per Minute  | min.<br>58.0        | 60.0 | 59.6  |
|            |                     | max.<br>56.7        | 59.6 | 58.7  |
|            | Flash Duration in % | min.<br>14.5        | 14.6 | 14.3  |
|            |                     | max.<br>15.1        | 14.9 | 15.3  |
| CIRCUIT #2 | Flashes per Minute  | min.<br>58.6        | 60.0 | 59.0  |
|            |                     | max.<br>55.6        | 58.1 | 56.4  |
|            | Flash Duration in % | min.<br>26.3        | 27.5 | 22.2  |
|            |                     | max.<br>28.8        | 29.1 | 29.6  |
| CIRCUIT #3 | Flashes per Minute  | min.<br>59.0        | 60.0 | 61.5  |
|            |                     | max.<br>55.4        | 57.7 | 55.2  |
|            | Flash Duration in % | min.<br>45.2        | 46.0 | 48.2  |
|            |                     | max.<br>45.6        | 46.2 | 47.0  |

### Circuit Notes

Transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected as a free running multivibrator. The output, at the emitter of Q2, drives the base of the common emitter amplifier Q3, which controls the lamp. This circuit configuration permits the flash duration, the interval between flashes, and the lamp type to be varied independently. Flash duration is proportional to the product of R2C2 while the off interval is proportional to the product of R3C1. Consequently, when the flash timing must be accurately maintained, these component tolerances will have to be held to similar limits.

All three circuits described are designed for barricade warning flasher lights such as used in highway construction. They differ only in flash duration which normally is 15%, 25%, or 50% of the flash rate. Performance has been checked at ambient temperatures of -40°F, 77°F, and 212°F. A GE 5 volt, 90 milliampere type No. 1850 lamp is used.



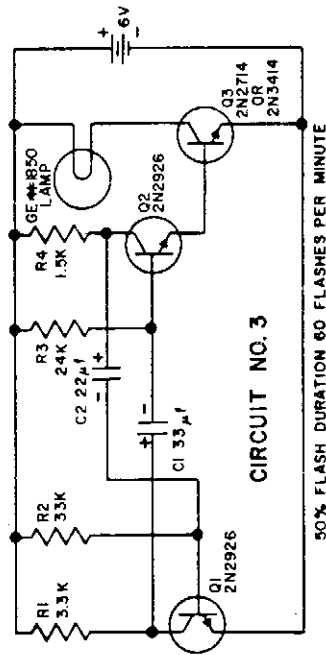
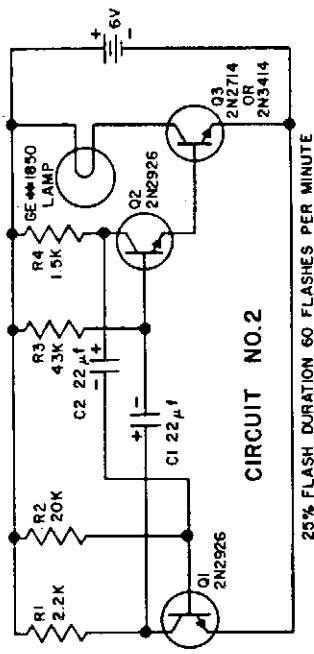
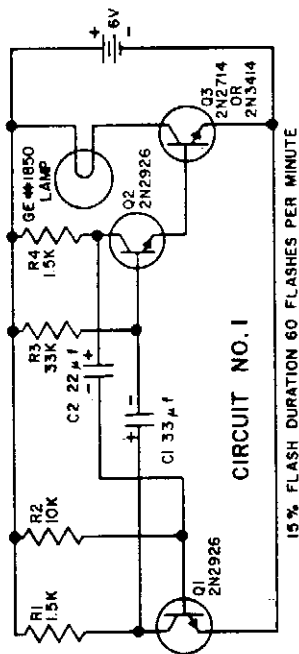
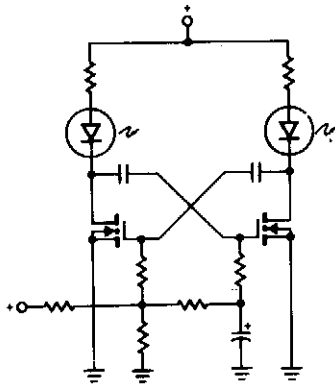


Fig. 34-15

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### ASTABLE FLIP-FLOP WITH STARTER



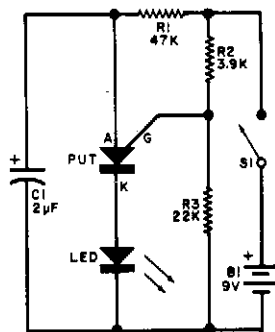
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Fig. 34-17

#### Circuit Notes

A pair of non-zenered MOSPOWER transistors, a pair of LEDs and a simple RC circuit make an easy sequential flasher with almost unlimited sequencing time—from momentary to several seconds. The infinite input resistance of the MOSFET gate allows for very long sequencing times that are impossible when using bipolars. One precaution, though, don't wire your circuit using phenolic or printed circuit boards when looking for slow sequencing (they exhibit too much leakage!).

### LED FLASHER USES PUT



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Fig. 34-18

#### Circuit Notes

This flasher circuit operates as a relaxation oscillator with C1 discharged periodically through the LED as the PUT switches on. The flashing rate is about 100/minute with the component values listed.

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## Flow Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Thermally Based Anemometer (Air Flowmeter)  
Air Flow Detector

## THERMALLY BASED ANEMOMETER (AIR FLOWMETER)

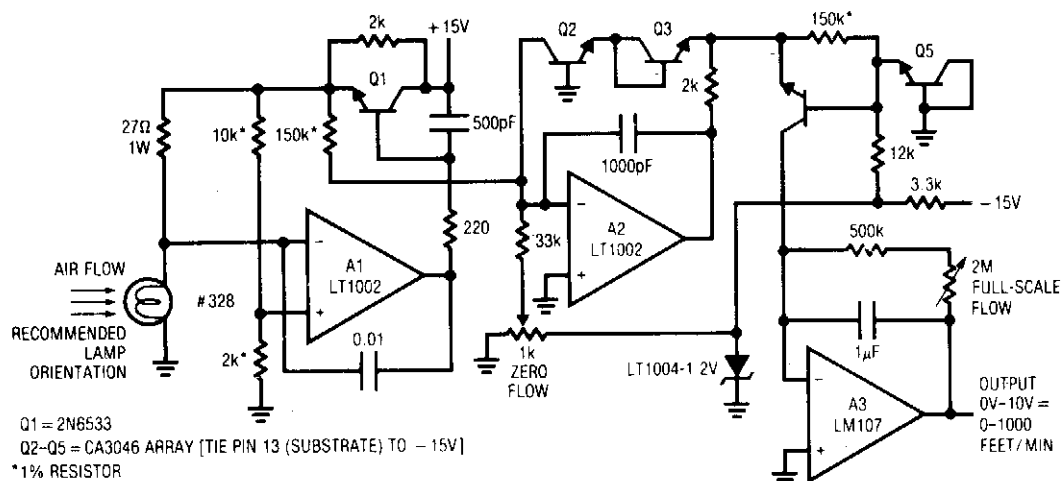


Fig. 35-1

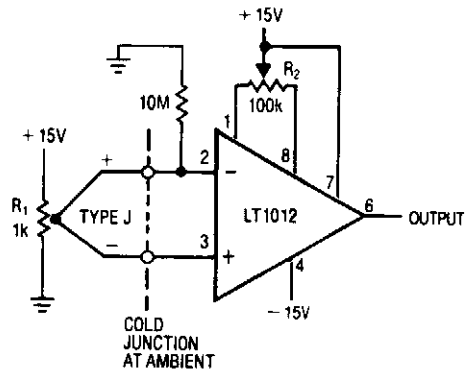
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### Circuit Notes

This design used to measure air or gas flow works by measuring the energy required to maintain a heated resistance wire at constant temperature. The positive temperature coefficient of a small lamp, in combination with its ready availability, makes it a good sensor. A type 328 lamp is modified for this circuit by removing its glass envelope. The lamp is placed in a bridge which is monitored by A1. A1's output is current amplified by Q1 and fed back to drive the bridge. When power is applied, the lamp is at a low resistance and Q1's emitter tries to come full on. As current flows through the lamp, its temperature quickly rises, forcing its resistance to increase. This action increases A1's negative input potential. Q1's emitter voltage decreases and the circuit finds a stable operating point. To keep the bridge balanced, A1 acts to force the lamp's resistance, hence its temperature, constant. The 20 k - 2 k bridge values have been chosen so that the lamp operates just below the incandescence point.

To use this circuit, place the lamp in the air flow so that its filament is at a 90° angle to the flow. Next, either shut off the air flow or shield the lamp from it and adjust the zero flow potentiometer for a circuit output of 0 V. Then, expose the lamp to air flow of 1000 feet/minute and trim the full flow potentiometer for 10 V output. Repeat these adjustments until both points are fixed. With this procedure completed, the air flowmeter is accurate within 3% over the entire 0-1000 foot/minute range.

## AIR FLOW DETECTOR



*Fig. 35-2*

Mount R<sub>1</sub> in airflow.  
Adjust R<sub>2</sub> so output goes high when airflow stops.

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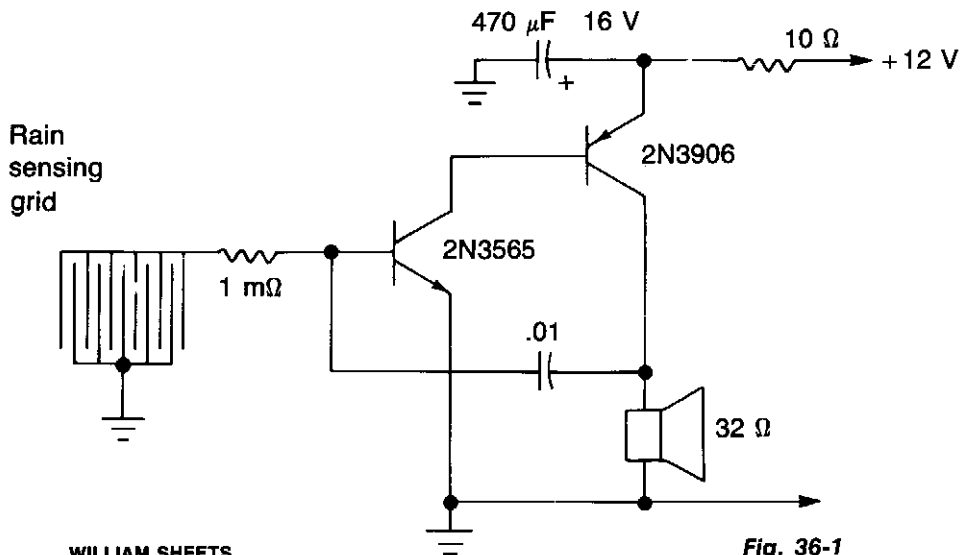
# Fluid and Moisture Detectors

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Rain Warning Bleeper  
Water-Level Indicator  
Acid Rain Monitor  
Plant-Water Monitor  
Water-Level Sensing and Control  
Single Chip Pump Controller  
Plant-Water Gauge  
Liquid Flowmeter

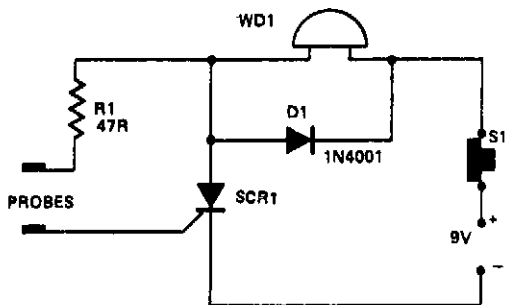
### RAIN WARNING BLEEPER



#### Circuit Notes

One small spot of rain on the sense pad of this bleeper will start this audio warning. It can also be operated by rising water. The circuit has two transistors, with feedback via capacitor C1, but Tr1 cannot operate as long as the moisture sense pad is dry. When the pad conducts, Tr1 and Tr2 form an audio oscillatory circuit, the pitch depends somewhat on the resistance.

### WATER-LEVEL INDICATOR



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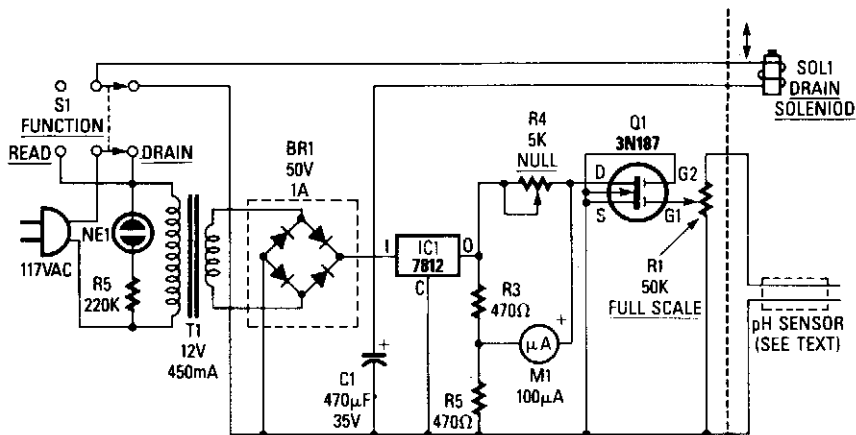
Fig. 36-2

#### Circuit Notes

In this a warning device WD1 is in series with SCR1. When the liquid level causes a conductive path between the probes, the SCR conducts sounding WD1. The warning device may be a Sonalert (TM), a lamp or a buzzer. D1 acts as a transient suppressor. Press S1 to reset the circuit.



## ACID RAIN MONITOR



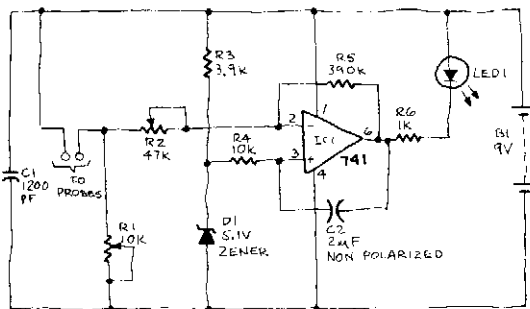
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INSIDE | OUTSIDE **Fig. 36-3**

### Circuit Notes

A bridge rectifier and 12-volt regulator powers the MOSFET sensing circuit. The unregulated output of the bridge rectifier operates the drain solenoid via switch S1. The sensor itself is built from two electrodes, one made of copper, the other of lead. In combination with the liquid trapped by the sensor, they form a miniature lead-acid cell whose output is amplified by MOSFET Q1. The maximum output produced by our prototype cell was about 50  $\mu$ A. MOSFET Q1 serves as the fourth leg of a Wheatstone bridge. When acidity causes the sensor to generate a voltage, Q1 turns on slightly, so its drain-to-source resistance decreases. That resistance variation causes an imbalance in the bridge, and that imbalance is indicated by meter M1.

## PLANT-WATER MONITOR



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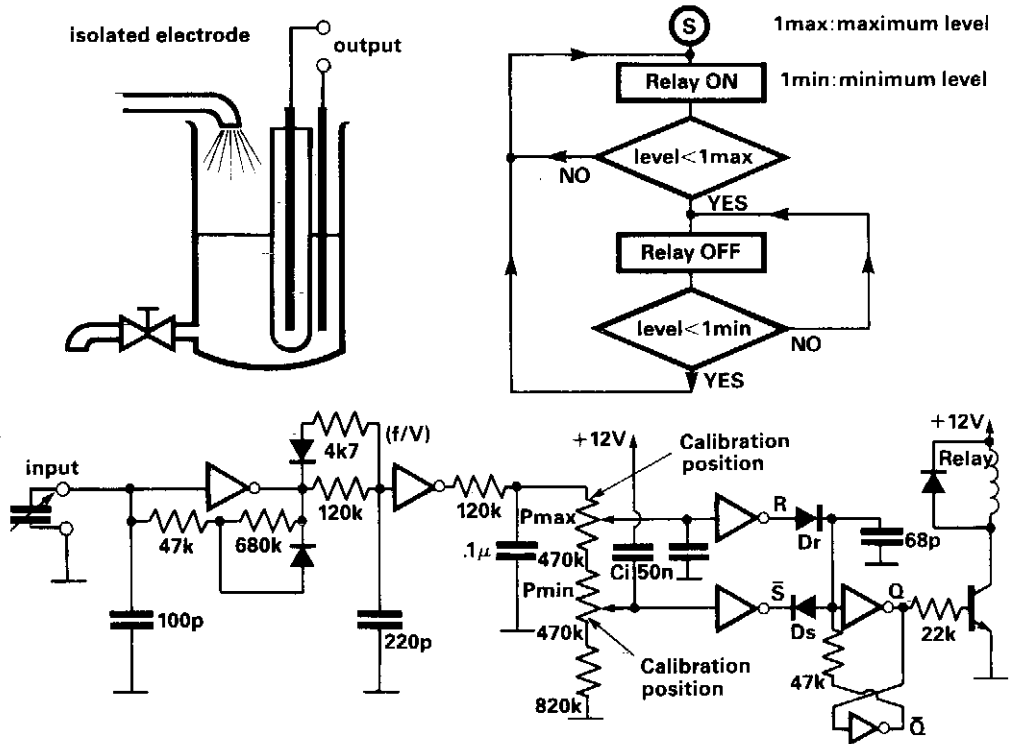
**Fig. 36-4**

### Circuit Notes

When the soil is moist, the LED glows. If the moisture falls below a certain predetermined level, the LED begins to flash. If there is still less moisture, the LED turns off. To calibrate, connect the battery and insert the probe into a container of dry soil. Set R1 to its maximum value then reduce that resistance until the LED begins to flash. The range over which the LED flashes before going out is adjusted using R2.



## SINGLE CHIP PUMP CONTROLLER



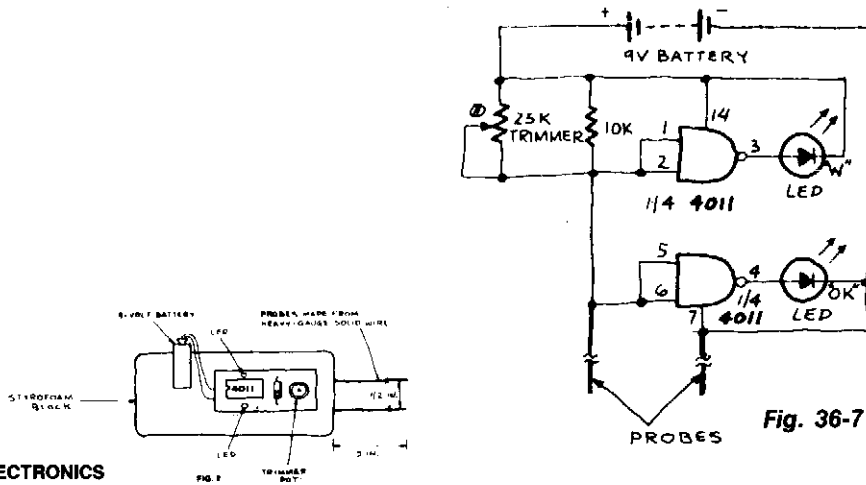
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Fig. 36-6

### Circuit Notes

This circuit controls the level of a tank using a bang-bang controlled electrical pump. The actual level of liquid is measured by a capacitive level-meter. The first inverter performs as a capacitance to frequency converter. It is a Schmitt oscillator and its frequency output decreases as the capacitance increases. The second inverter is a monostable which performs as a frequency to voltage converter ( $f/V$ ). Its output is applied to the maximum and minimum level comparator inputs. Maximum and minimum liquid levels may be set by the potentiometers. The maximum level (1 max) may be preset between the limits: 65 pF less than C (1 max) less than 120 pF. The minimum level is presetable and the limits are: 0 less than C (1 min) less than 25 pF.

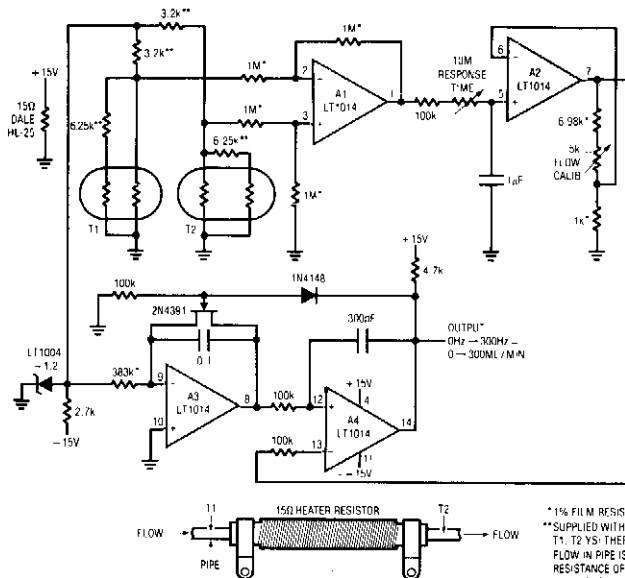
## PLANT WATER GAUGE



### Circuit Notes

To calibrate the gauge, connect the battery and press the probes gently into a pot containing a plant that is just on the verge of needing water (stick it in so that only an inch of the probe is left visible at the top). Turn the potentiometer until the "OK" LED lights and then turn it back to the point where that LED goes out and the "W", or "Water", LED just comes on. The device should now be properly adjusted.

## LIQUID FLOWMETER



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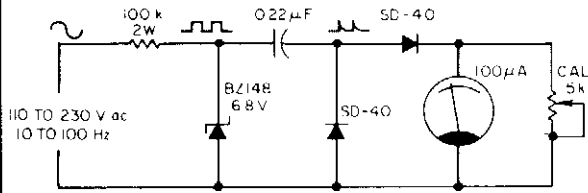
## Frequency Meters

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Power Frequency Meter  
Low Cost Frequency Indicator

## POWER-FREQUENCY METER



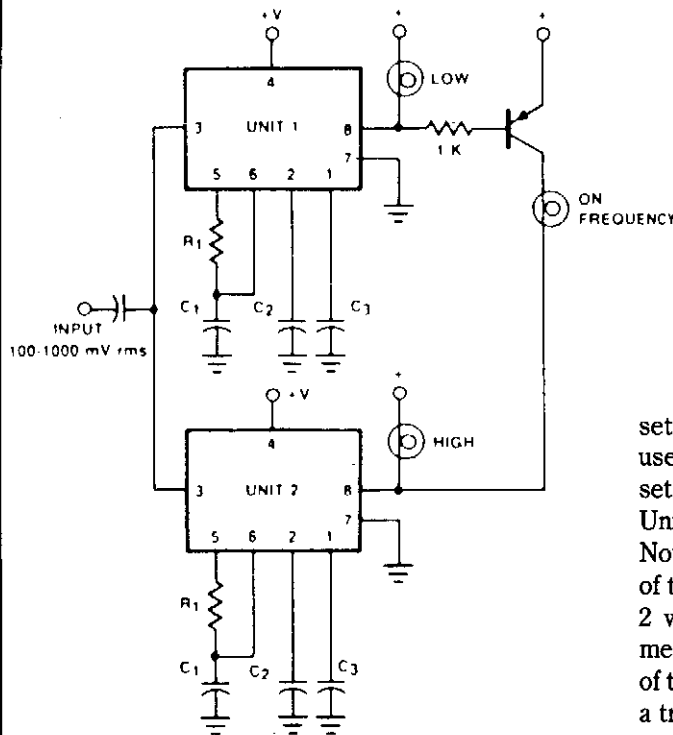
### Circuit Notes

The meter uses a zener diode to form square waves from input sine waves. After calibration with the 5 k ohm potentiometer, the 100  $\mu$ A meter reads directly in hertz.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

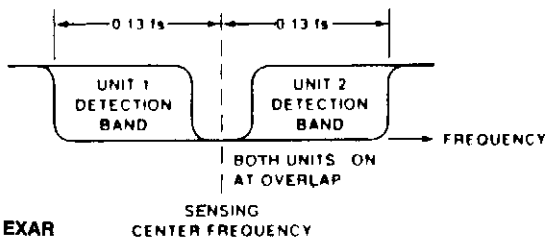
Fig. 37-1

## LOW COST FREQUENCY INDICATOR



### Circuit Notes

The circuit shows how two tone decoders set up with overlapping detection bands can be used for a go/no go frequency meter. Unit 1 is set 6% above the desired sensing frequency and Unit 2 is set 6% below the desired frequency. Now, if the incoming frequency is within 13% of the desired frequency, either Unit 1 or Unit 2 will give an output. If both units are on, it means that the incoming frequency is within 1% of the desired frequency. Three light bulbs and a transistor allow low cost read-out. The IC is an EXAR 567.



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Fig. 37-2

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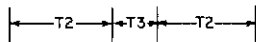
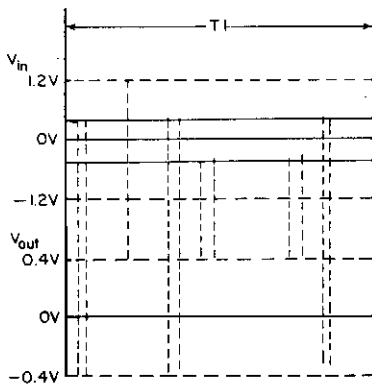
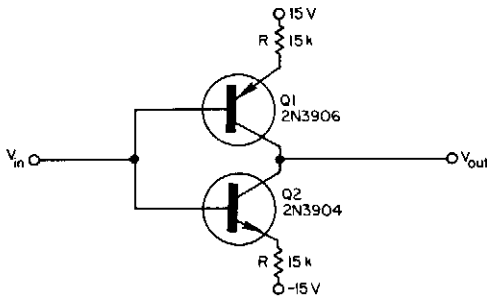
## Frequency Multiplier and Divider Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Nonselective Frequency Tripler Uses Transistor  
Saturation Characteristics  
Frequency Doubler Works to 1 MHz  
Low Frequency Divider  
Frequency Divider

## NONSELECTIVE FREQUENCY TRIPLER USES TRANSISTOR SATURATION CHARACTERISTICS



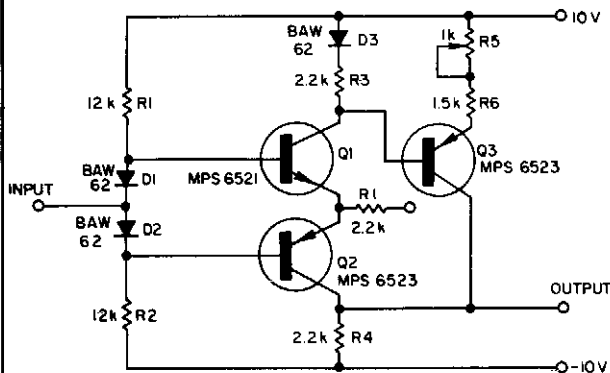
**Fig. 38-1**

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### Circuit Notes

The turn-on and turn-off characteristics of two complementary transistors can be combined to attain nonselective frequency tripling. The resulting circuit handles any periodic waveform with nonvertical sides. Each input signal peak produces three output signal peaks. The additional peaks occur where the input signal causes saturation of one of the two transistors. The circuit operates over a frequency range from dc to the upper limits of the complementary transistor pair. About the only disadvantage of the circuit is the lack of symmetry of the output signal peaks.

## FREQUENCY DOUBLER WORKS TO 1 MHz



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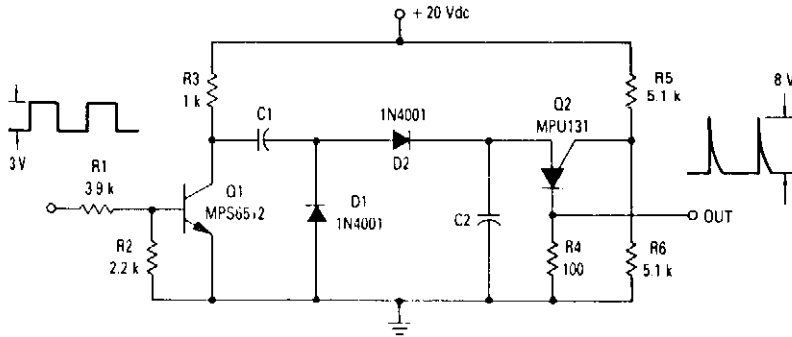
**Fig. 38-2**

### Circuit Notes

Adding components Q3, D3, and resistors R3 through R6 to a conventional complementary symmetry class AB buffer can double the frequency of an input sine wave.



## LOW FREQUENCY DIVIDER



TABLE

| C <sub>1</sub> | C <sub>2</sub> | Division |
|----------------|----------------|----------|
| 0.01 μF        | 0.01 μF        | 2        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.02 μF        | 3        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.03 μF        | 4        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.04 μF        | 5        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.05 μF        | 6        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.06 μF        | 7        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.07 μF        | 8        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.08 μF        | 9        |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.09 μF        | 10       |
| 0.01 μF        | 0.1 μF         | 11       |

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Fig. 38-3

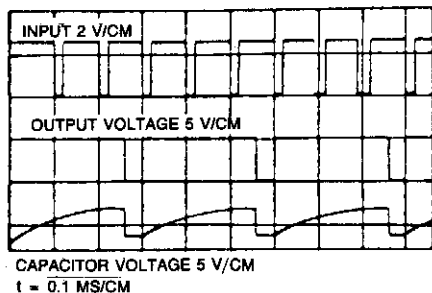
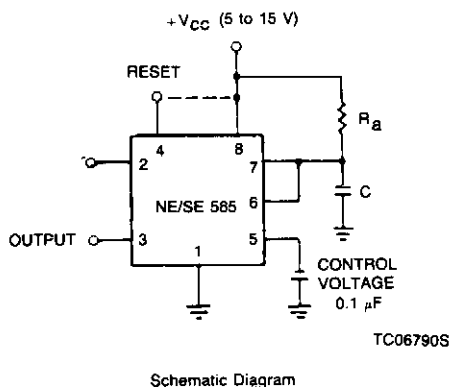
### Circuit Notes

The ratio of capacitors C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> determines division. With a positive pulse applied to the base of Q<sub>1</sub>, assume that C<sub>1</sub> = C<sub>2</sub> and that C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> are discharged. When Q<sub>1</sub> turns off, both C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> charge to 10 volts each through R<sub>3</sub>. On the next pulse to the base of Q<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>1</sub> is again discharged but C<sub>2</sub> remains charged to 10 volts. As Q<sub>1</sub> turns off this time, C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> again charge. This time C<sub>2</sub> charges to the peak point firing voltage of the PUT causing it to fire. This discharges capacitor C<sub>2</sub> and allows capacitor C<sub>1</sub> to charge to the line voltage. As soon as C<sub>2</sub> discharges and C<sub>1</sub> charges, the PUT turns off. The next cycle begins with another positive pulse on the base of Q<sub>1</sub> which again discharges C<sub>1</sub>. The input and output frequency can be approximated by the equation

$$f_{in} = \frac{(C_1 = C_2)}{C_1} f_{out}$$

For a 10 kHz input frequency with an amplitude of 3 volts, the table shows the values for C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> needed to divide by 2 to 11.

## FREQUENCY DIVIDER



$$R_B = 12500 \text{ } \Omega = .02 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

WF14990S

### SIGNETICS

Fig. 38-4

### Circuit Notes

If the input frequency is known, the timer can easily be used as a frequency divider by adjusting the length of the timing cycle. Figure shows the waveforms of the timer when used as a divide-by-three circuit. This application makes use of the fact that this circuit cannot be retriggered during the timing cycle.

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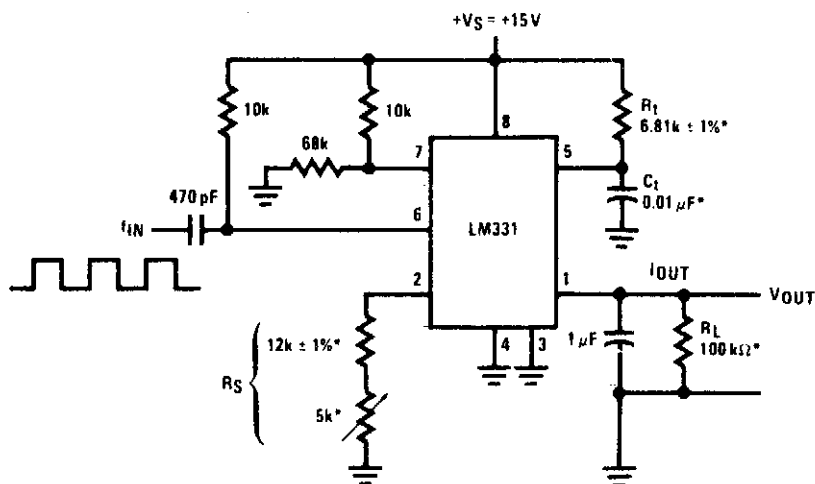
## Frequency-to-Voltage Converters

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Frequency-to-Voltage Converters

## FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTERS



TL/H/5680-7

$$V_{OUT} = f_{IN} \times 2.09V \times \frac{R_L}{R_S} \times (R_1 C_1)$$

\*Use stable components with low temperature coefficients.

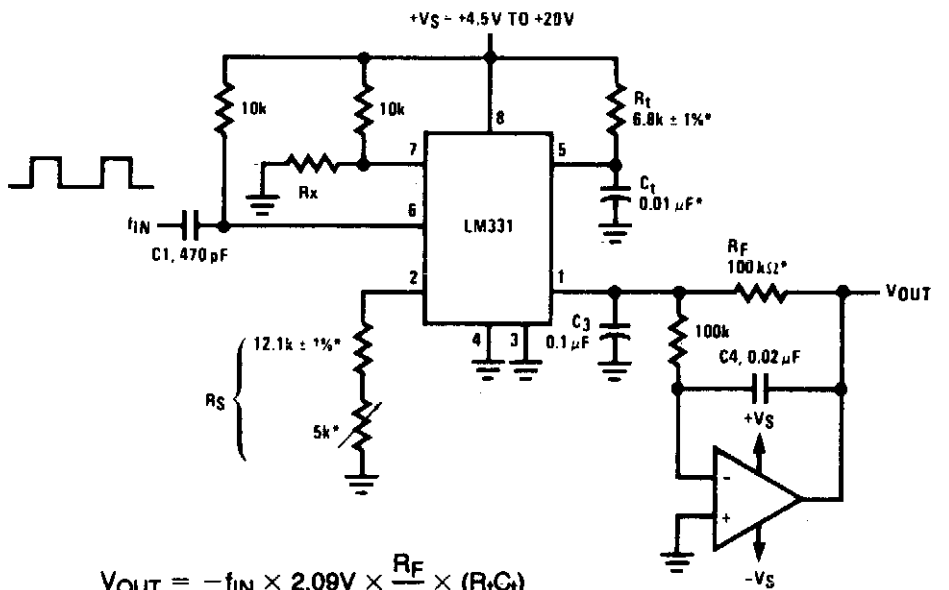
### Simple Frequency-to-Voltage Converter, 10 kHz Full-Scale, $\pm 0.06\%$ Non-Linearity

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

Fig. 39-1

#### Circuit Notes

In these applications, a pulse input at  $f_{IN}$  is differentiated by a C-R network and the negative-going edge at pin 6 causes the input comparator to trigger the timer circuit. Just as with a V-to-F converter, the average current flowing out of pin 1 is  $I_{AVERAGE} = i \times (1.1 R_1 C_1) \times f$ . In this simple circuit, this current is filtered in the network  $R_L$  = 100 k ohm and 1  $\mu$ F. The ripple will be less than 10 mV peak, but the response will be slow, with a 0.1 second time constant, and settling of 0.7 second to 0.1%



$$V_{OUT} = -f_{IN} \times 2.09V \times \frac{R_F}{R_S} \times (R_T C_T)$$

$$\text{SELECT } R_x = \frac{(V_S - 2V)}{0.2 \text{ mA}}$$

TL/H/5680-8

\*Use stable components with low temperature coefficients.

**Precision Frequency-to-Voltage Converter,  
10 kHz Full-Scale with 2-Pole Filter,  $\pm 0.01\%$   
Non-Linearity Maximum**

accuracy. In the precision circuit, an operational amplifier provides a buffered output and also acts as a 2-pole filter. The ripple will be less than 5 mV peak for all frequencies above 1 kHz, and the response time will be much quicker than in Part 1. However, for input frequencies below 200 Hz, this circuit will have worse ripple than the figure. The engineering of the filter time-constants to get adequate response and small enough ripple simply requires a study of the compromises to be made. Inherently, V-to-F converter response can be fast, but F-to-V response cannot.

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## Function Generator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Quad Op Amp Generates Four Different  
Synchronized Waveforms Simultaneously  
A Sine/Cosine Generator for 0.1-10 kHz  
Oscillator or Amplifier with Wide Frequency Range  
Linear Triangle/Square Wave VCO  
Circuit for Multiplying Pulse Widths  
Programmable Voltage Controlled Frequency  
Synthesizer  
Emitter-Coupled RC Oscillator  
Voltage Controlled High Speed One Shot  
Ramp Generator with Variable Reset Level

555 Astable with Low Duty Cycle  
Monostable Using Video Amplifier and Comparator  
UJT Monostable Circuit Insensitive to Change in  
Bias Voltage  
Astable Multivibrator  
Waveform Generator  
Linear Ramp Generator  
Function Generator  
Waveform Generator  
Single Supply Function Generator  
Precise Wave Generator

# QUAD OP AMP GENERATES FOUR DIFFERENT SYNCHRONIZED WAVEFORMS SIMULTANEOUSLY

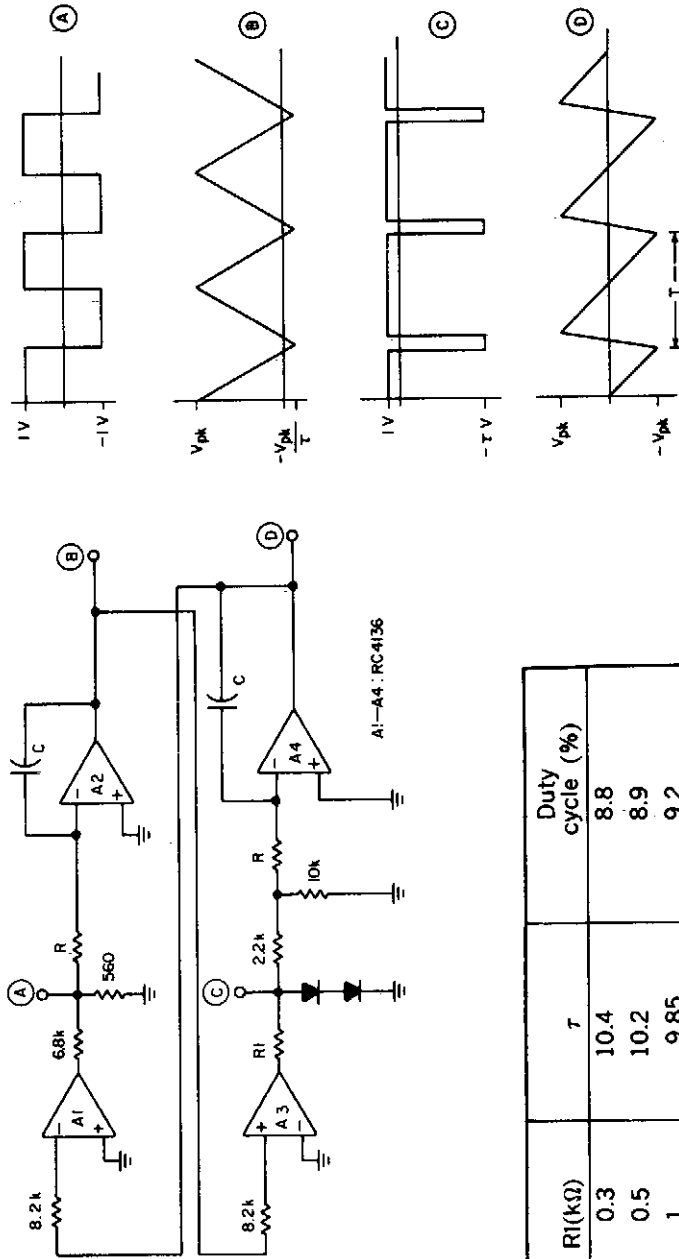


Fig. 40-1

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## Circuit Notes

A quad op amp can simultaneously generate four synchronized waveforms. The two comparators (A1 and A3) produce square and pulse waves, while the two integrators (A2 and A4) give triangular and sawtooth waves. Resistor R1 sets the duty cycle and the frequency, along with resistors R and capacitors C.

| R1(k $\Omega$ ) | $\tau$ | Duty cycle (%) |
|-----------------|--------|----------------|
| 0.3             | 10.4   | 8.8            |
| 0.5             | 10.2   | 8.9            |
| 1               | 9.85   | 9.2            |
| 4               | 8.0    | 11.1           |
| 10              | 5.86   | 14.6           |
| 20              | 4.04   | 19.84          |
| 50              | 2.09   | 32.4           |
| 100             | 1.16   | 46.30          |
| 117.8           | 1      | 50             |

A SINE/COSINE GENERATOR FOR 0.1 - 10 KHZ

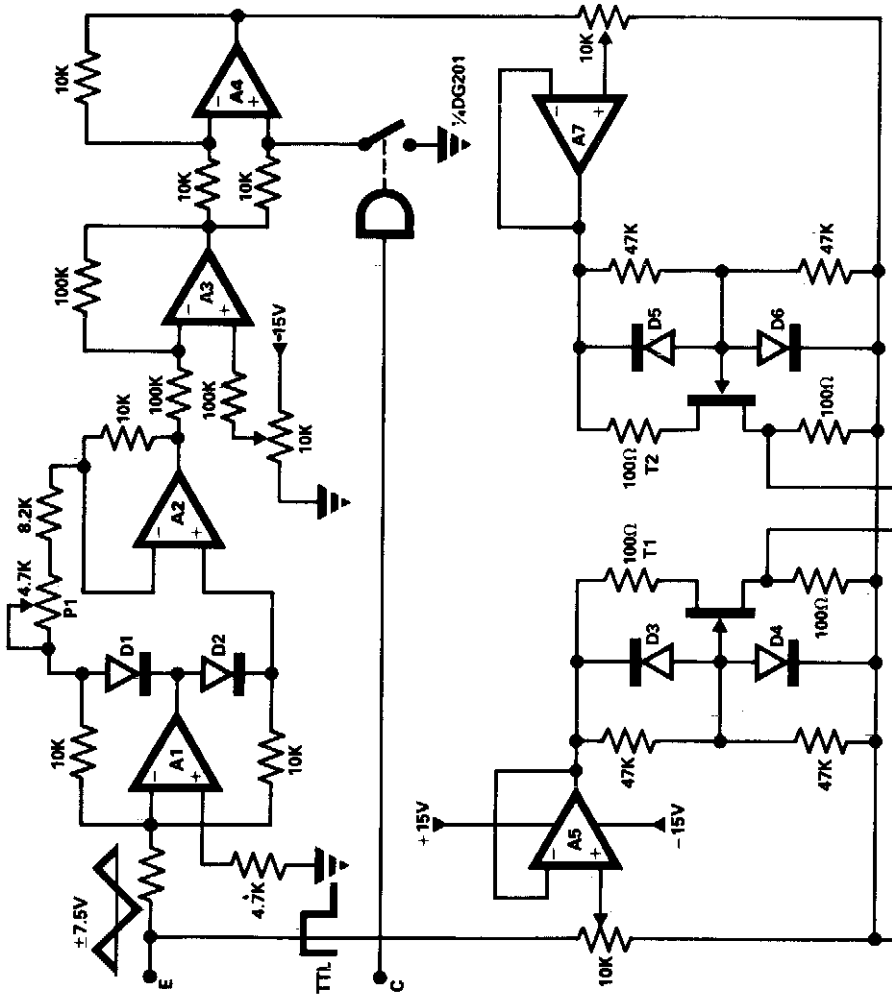


Fig: 1

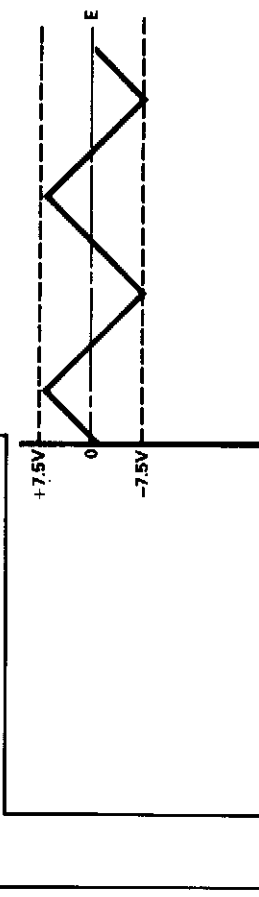
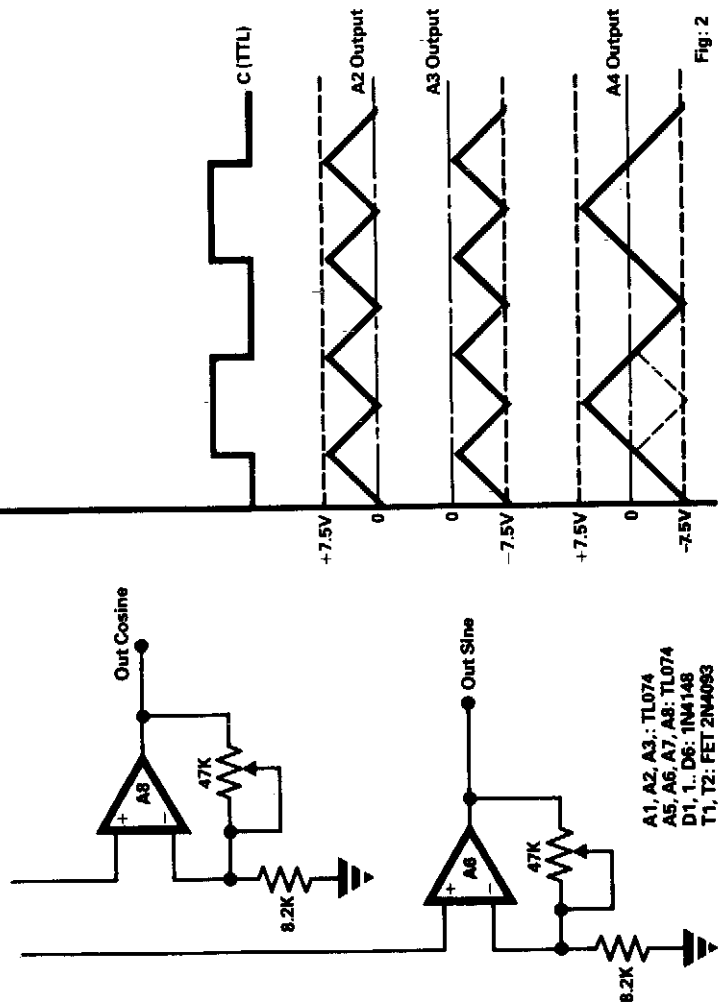


Fig. 40-2





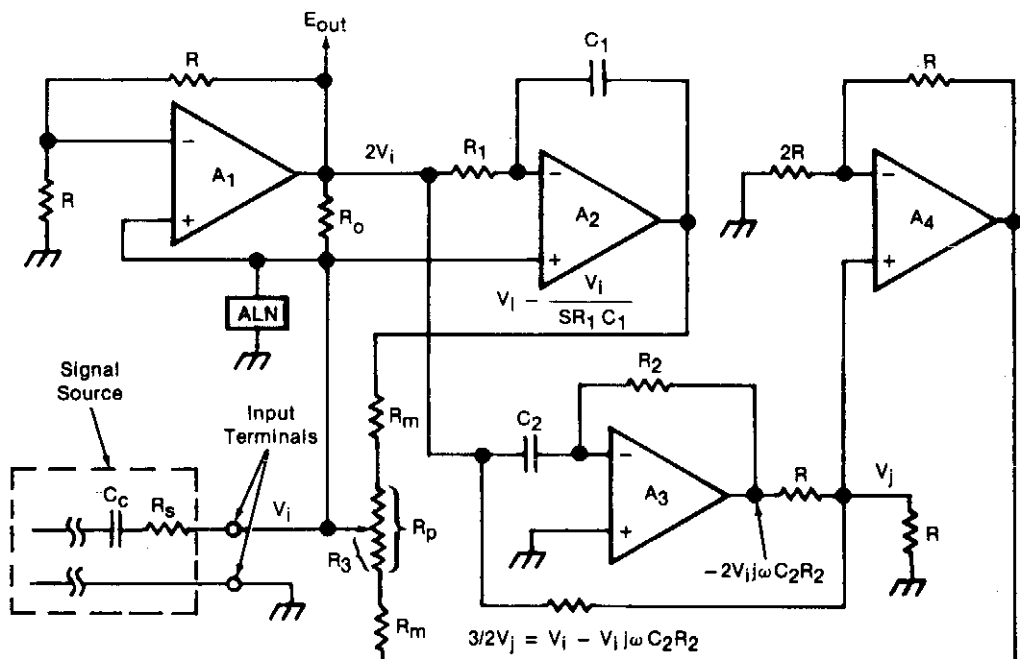
### Circuit Notes

The scheme presented delivers waveforms from any function generator producing a triangular output and a synchronized TTL square wave. A1 and A2 act as a two-phase current rectifier by inverting the negative voltage appearing at the input of A1.

Positive input: Both A1 and A2 work as unity gain followers, D1 and D2 being in the off-state.

Negative input: A1 has a  $-2/3$  gain (D1 off and D2 on), A2 has a  $+1/2$  gain and the total voltage transfer is  $-1$  between output and input. P1 allows a fine trimming of the  $-1$  gain for the negative input signals. A3 adds a continuous voltage to the rectified positive signal in order to attack A4 which acts as a  $+$  multiplier commanded by the TTL input through the analog switch. The signal polarity is reconstructed and the output of A4 delivers a triangular waveform shifted by  $90^\circ$  with respect to the input signal, Fig. 2. The original and the shifted voltages are fed into the triangle to sine converters through A5 and A7 working as impedance converters. Over the frequency dynamic ranges from 0.1 Hz to 10 kHz, the phase shift is constant and the distortion on the sine voltage is less than 1%.

## OSCILLATOR OR AMPLIFIER WITH WIDE FREQUENCY RANGE



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NOTES: 1. A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub>, and A<sub>4</sub> are operational amplifiers  
 2. ALN = Amplitude-Limiting Network

**Fig. 40-3**

### Circuit Notes

An oscillator/amplifier is resistively tunable over a wide frequency range. Feedback circuits containing operational amplifiers, resistors, and capacitors synthesize the electrical effects of an inductance and capacitance in parallel between the input terminals. The synthetic inductance and capacitance, and, therefore, the resonant frequency of the input admittance, are adjusted by changing a potentiometer setting. The input signal is introduced in parallel to the noninverting input terminals of operational amplifiers A<sub>1</sub> and A<sub>2</sub> and to the potentiometer cursor. The voltages produced by the feedback circuits in response to input voltage V<sub>i</sub> are indicated at the various circuit nodes.

## LINEAR TRIANGLE/SQUARE WAVE VCO

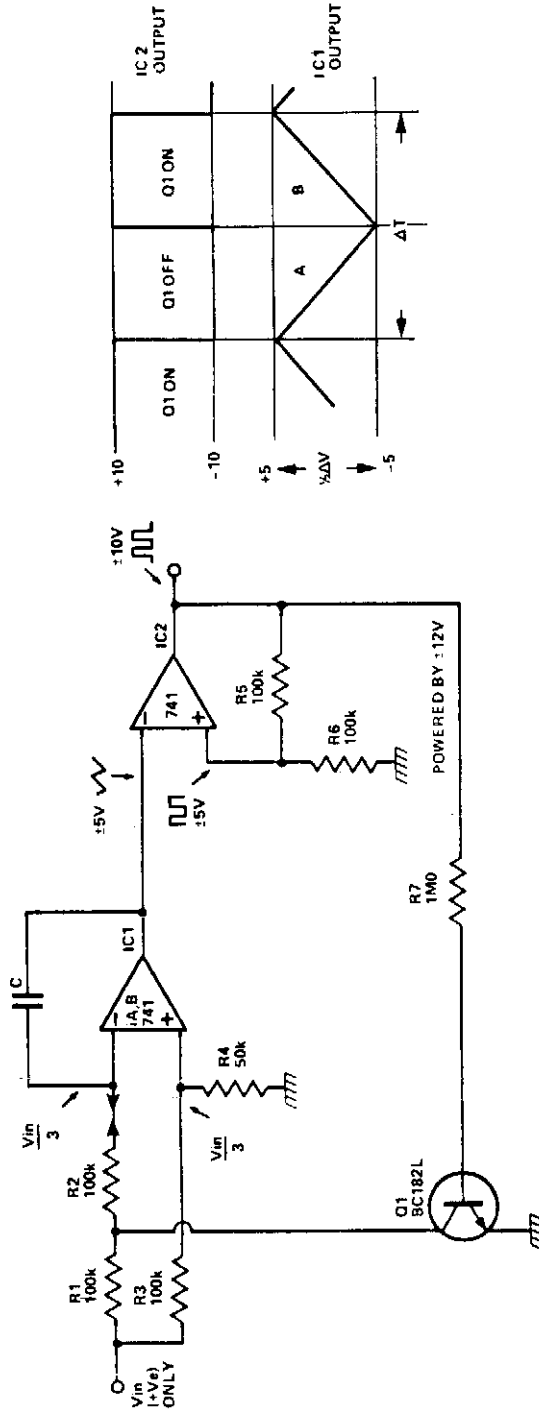


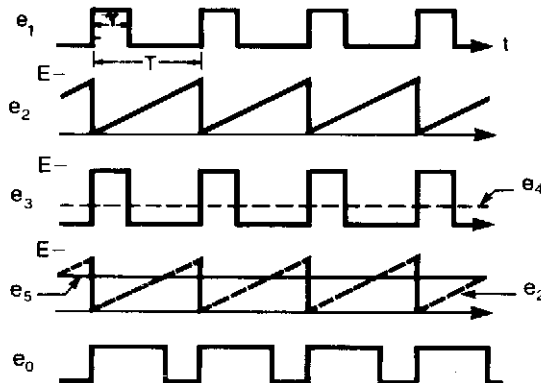
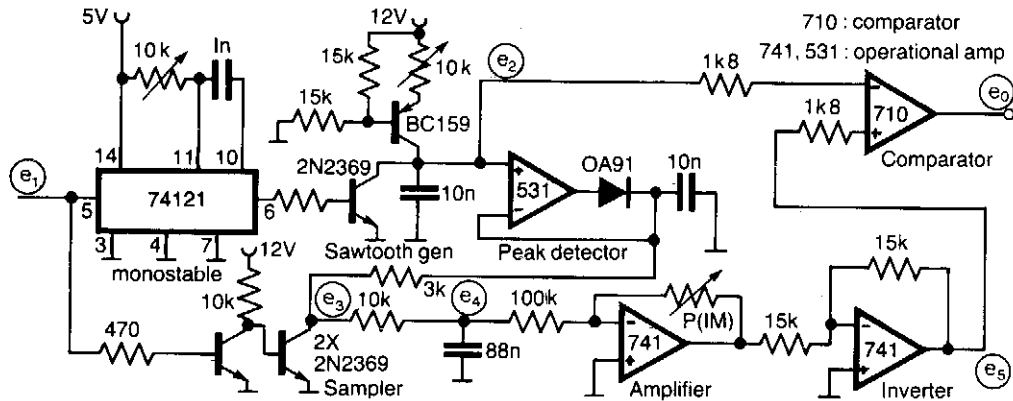
Fig. 40-4

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### Circuit Notes

The VCO has two buffered outputs; a triangle wave and a square wave. Frequency is dependent on the output voltage swing of the Schmitt trigger, IC2. Superior performance can be obtained by replacing Q1 with a switching FET. Fast FET op amps will improve high frequency performance.

## CIRCUIT FOR MULTIPLYING PULSE WIDTHS



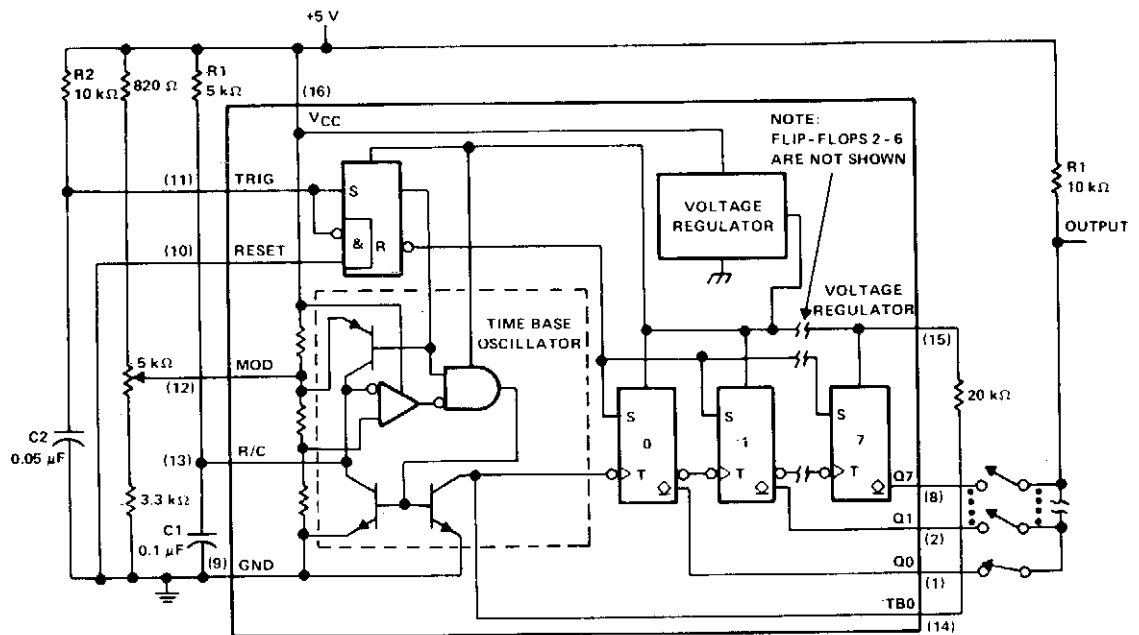
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**Fig. 40-5**

### Circuit Notes

A circuit for multiplying the width of incoming pulses by a factor greater or less than unity is simple to build and has the feature that the multiplying factor can be selected by adjusting one potentiometer only. The multiplying factor is determined by setting the potentiometer  $P$  in the feedback of a 741 amplifier. The input pulses  $e_1$  of width  $\tau$  and repetition period  $T$  is used to trigger a sawtooth generator at its rising edges to produce the waveform  $e_2$  having a peak value of  $(E)$  volt. This peak value is then sampled by the input pulses to generate the pulse train  $e_3$  having an average value of  $e_4 (= E E \tau / T)$  which is proportional to  $\tau$  and independent on  $T$ . The dc voltage  $e_4$  is amplified by a factor  $k$  and compared with sawtooth waveform  $e_2$  giving output pulses of duration  $k \tau$ . The circuit is capable of operating over the frequency range 10 kHz - 100 kHz.

## PROGRAMMABLE VOLTAGE CONTROLLED FREQUENCY SYNTHESIZER



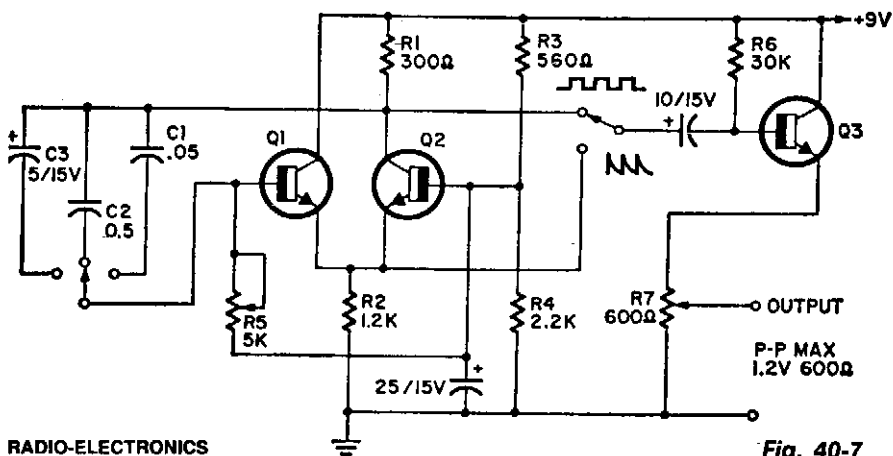
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Fig. 40-6

### Circuit Notes

The  $\mu A2240$  consists of four basic circuit elements: (1) a time-base oscillator, (2) an eight-bit counter, (3) a control flip-flop, and (4) a voltage regulator. The basic frequency of the time-base oscillator (TBO) is set by the external time constant determined by the values of R1 and C1 ( $1/R_1C_1 = 2 \text{ kHz}$ ). The open-collector output of the TBO is connected to the regulator output via a 20 k ohm pull-up resistor, and drives the input to the eight-bit counter. At power-up, a positive trigger pulse is detected across C2 which starts the TBO and sets all counter outputs to a low state. Once the  $\mu A2240$  is initially triggered, any further trigger inputs are ignored until it is reset. In this astable operation, the  $\mu A2240$  will free-run from the time it is triggered until it receives an external reset signal. Up to 255 discrete frequencies can be synthesized by connecting different counter outputs.

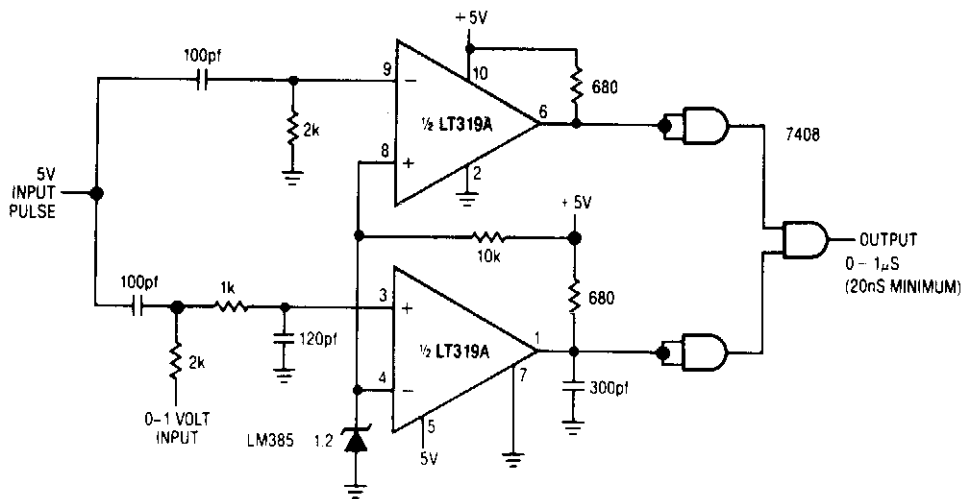
### EMITTER-COUPLED RC OSCILLATOR



#### Circuit Notes

The circuit covers 15 Hz-30 kHz and is useful as a function generator. The 2N2926 or equivalent transistors can be used.

### VOLTAGE CONTROLLED HIGH SPEED ONE SHOT



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Fig. 40-8

## RAMP GENERATOR WITH VARIABLE RESET LEVEL

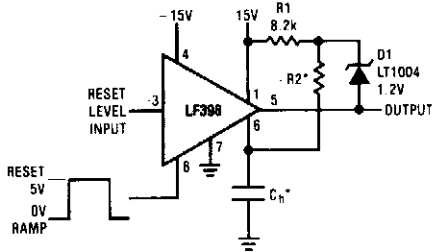


Fig. 40-9

\*SELECT FOR RAMP RATE  $\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T} = \frac{1.2V}{R \geq 10k}$

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## 555 ASTABLE WITH LOW DUTY CYCLE

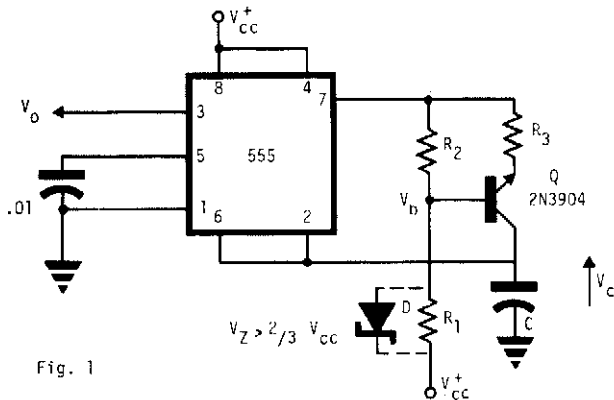


Fig. 1

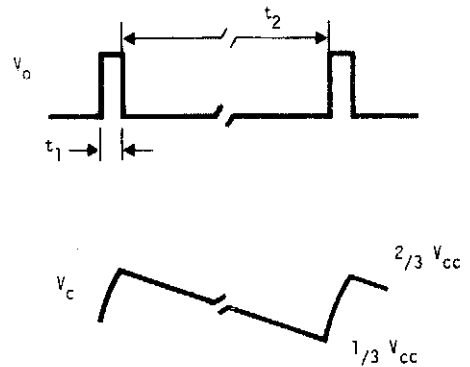


Fig. 40-10

ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

### Circuit Notes

This free-running multivibrator uses an external current sink to discharge the timing capacitor, C. Therefore, interval  $t_2$  may easily be  $1000 \times$  the pulse duration,  $t_1$ , which defines a positive output. Capacitor voltage,  $V_C$ , is a negative going ramp with exponential rise during the pulse output periods.

### MONOSTABLE USING VIDEO AMPLIFIER AND COMPARATOR

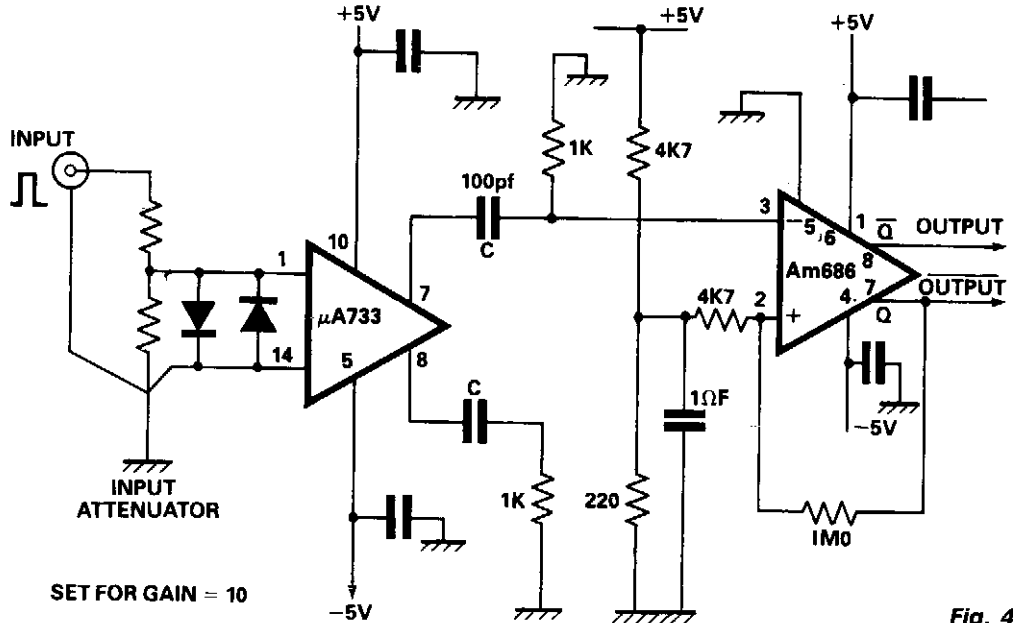


Fig. 40-11

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#### Circuit Notes

The output of a video amplifier is differentiated before being fed to a Schottky comparator. The propagation delay is reduced to typically 10ns. The output pulse width is set by the value of C, 100pf giving a pulse of about 90ns duration.

### UJT MONOSTABLE CIRCUIT INSENSITIVE TO CHANGE IN BIAS VOLTAGE

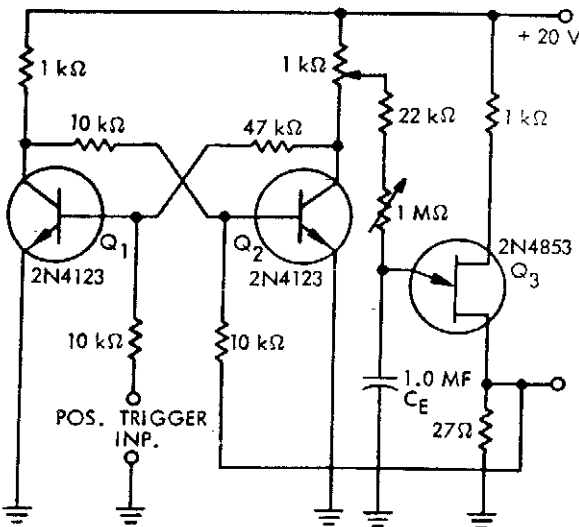


Fig. 40-12

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### ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

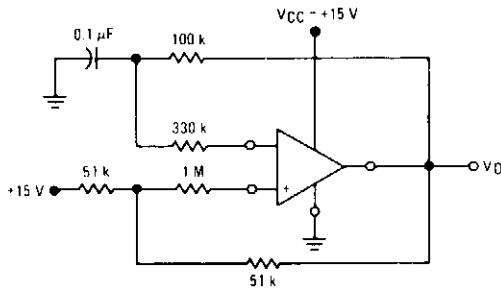
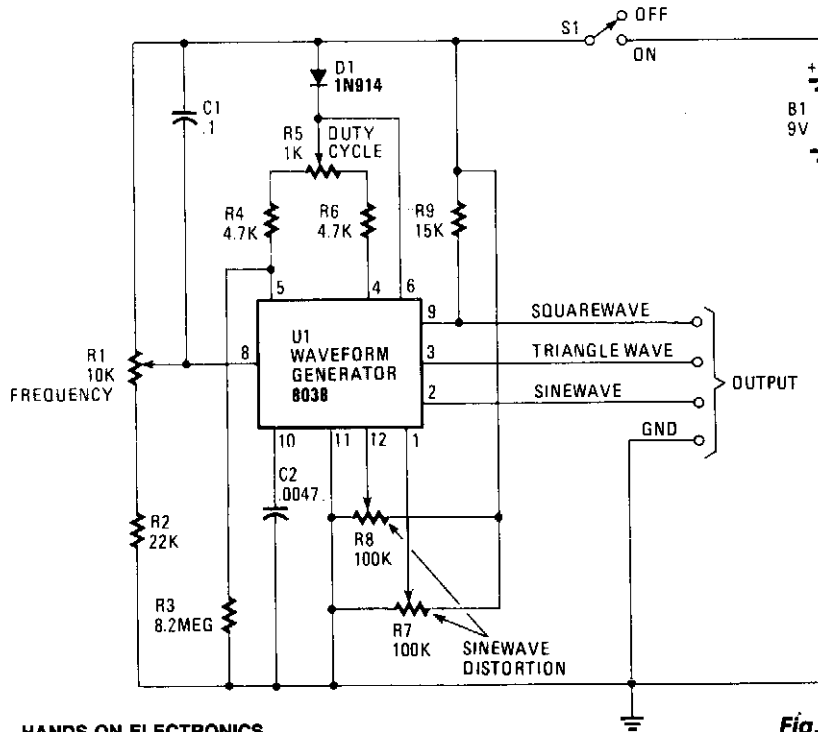


Fig. 40-13

IC = MC3301

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### WAVEFORM GENERATOR



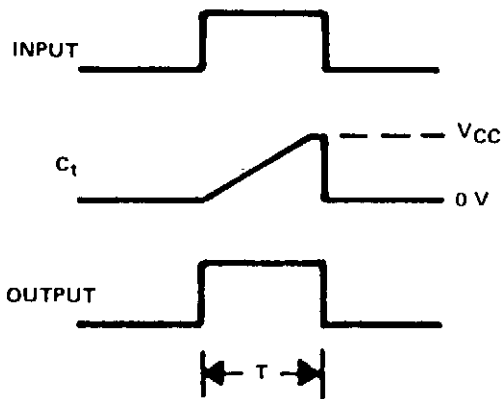
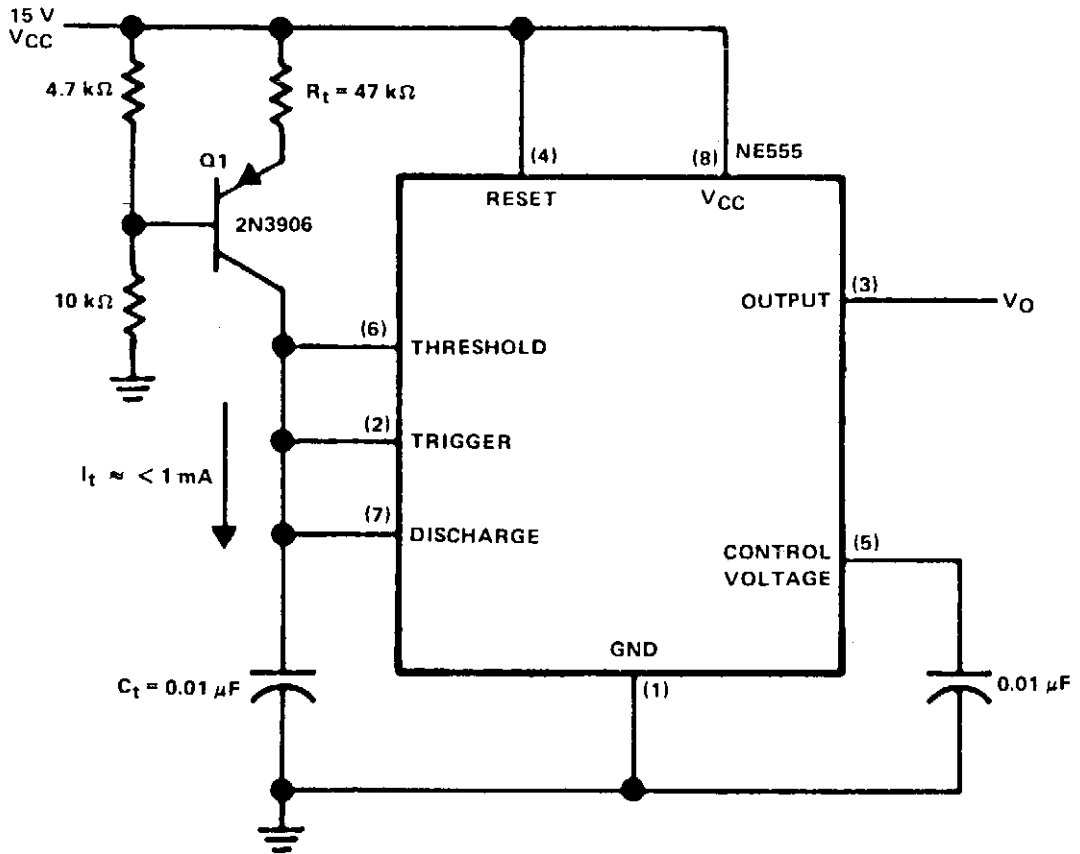
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 40-14

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit is designed around the Intersil 8038CC. Frequency range is approximately 20 Hz to 20 kHz—a tuning range of 1000:1 with a single control. The output frequency depends on the value of C2 and on the setting of potentiometer R1. Other values of C2 change the frequency range. Increase the value of C2 to lower the frequency. The lowest possible frequency is around .001 Hz and the highest is around 300 kHz.

# LINEAR RAMP GENERATOR



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 40-15

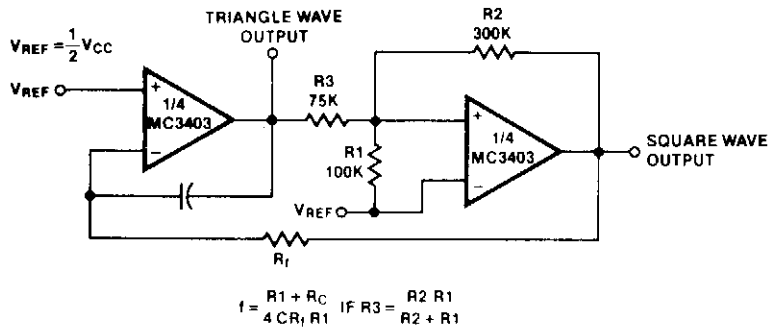
## LINEAR RAMP GENERATOR, Continued.

### Circuit Notes

The linear charging ramp is most useful where linear control of voltage is required. Some possible applications are a long period voltage controlled timer, a voltage to pulse width converter, or a linear pulse width modulator. Q1 is the current source transistor, supplying constant current to the timing capacitor  $C_t$ . When the timer is triggered, the clamp on  $C_t$  is removed and  $C_t$  charges linearly toward  $V_{CC}$  by virtue of the constant current supplied by Q1. The threshold at pin 6 is  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$ ; here, it is termed  $V_C$ . When the voltage across  $C_t$  reaches  $V_C$  volts, the timing cycle ends. The timing expression for output pulse with T is:

In general,  $I_t$  should be 1 mA value compatible with the NE555.

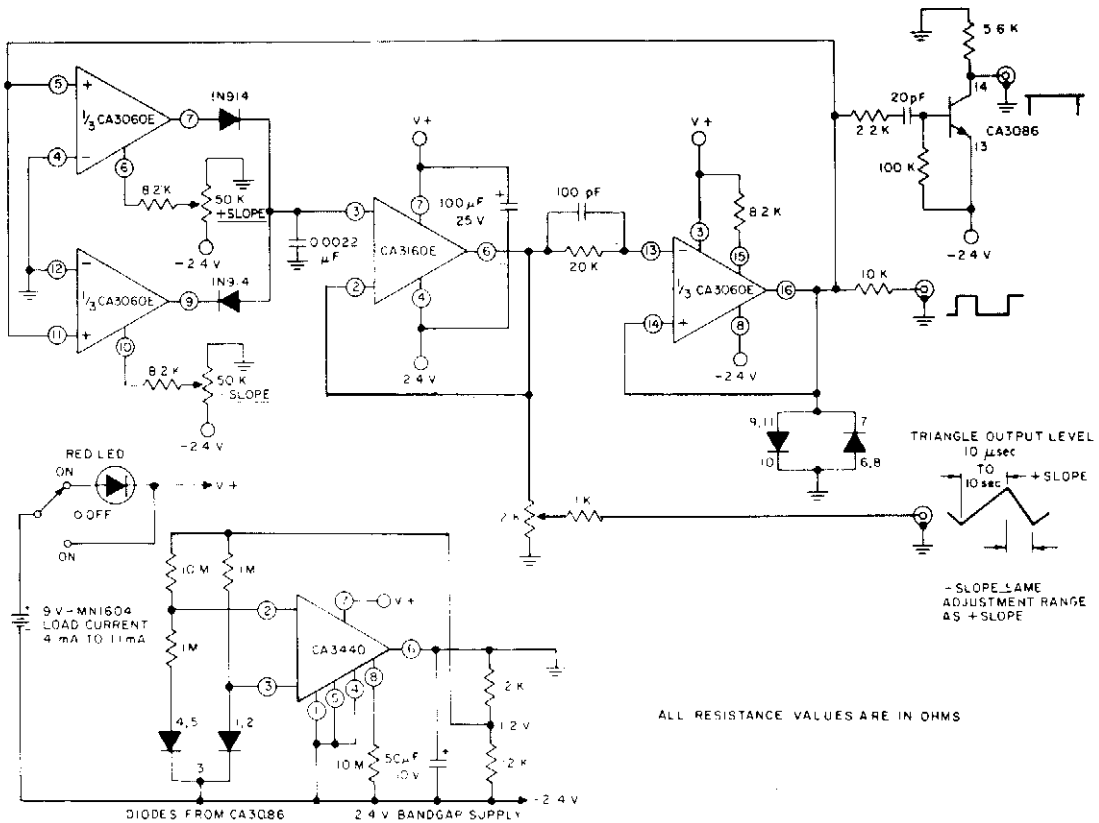
## FUNCTION GENERATOR



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Fig. 40-16

## WAVEFORM GENERATOR



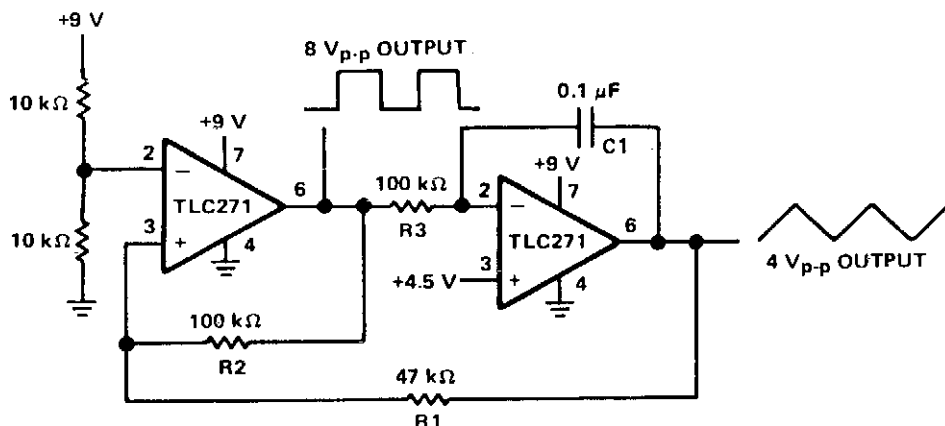
GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

Fig. 40-17

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3060 triple OTA (two units serve as switched current generators controlled by a third amplifier). A CA3160 BiMOS op amp serves as a voltage follower to buffer the 0.0022  $\mu\text{F}$  integrating capacitor. The circuit has an adjustment range of 1,000,000:1 and a timing range of 20  $\mu\text{s}$  to 20 sec. The "ON-OFF" switch actuates an LED that serves as both a pilot light and a low-battery indicator. The LED extends battery life, since it drops battery voltage to the circuit by approximately 1.2 volts, thus reducing supply current.

## SINGLE SUPPLY FUNCTION GENERATOR



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 40-18

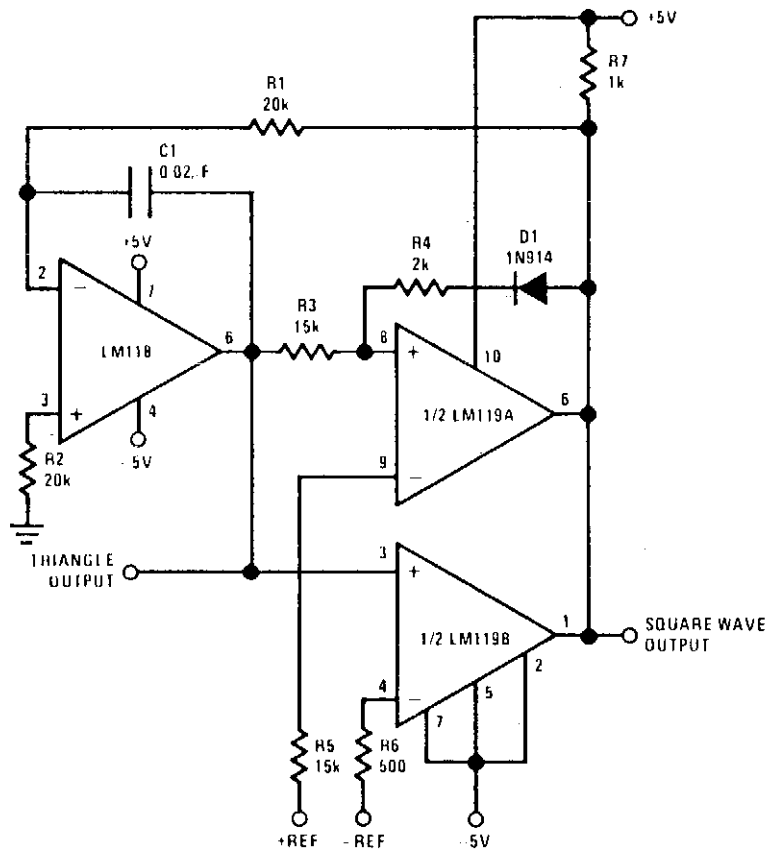
### Circuit Notes

The circuit has both square-wave and triangle-wave output. The left section is similar in function to a comparator circuit that uses positive feedback for hysteresis. The inverting input is biased at one-half the  $V_{CC}$  voltage by resistors R4 and R5. The output is fed back to the non-inverting input of the first stage to control the frequency. The amplitude of the square wave is the output swing of the first stage, which is 8 V peak-to-peak. The second stage is basically an op amp integrator. The resistor R3 is the input element and capacitor C1 is the feedback element. The ratio  $R1/R2$  sets the amplitude of the triangle wave, as referenced to the square-wave output. For both waveforms, the frequency of oscillation can be determined by the equation:

$$f_o = \frac{1}{4R3C1} \frac{R2}{R1}$$

The output frequency is approximately 50 Hz with the given components.

## PRECISE WAVE GENERATOR



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Fig. 40-19

### Circuit Notes

The positive and negative peak amplitude is controllable to an accuracy of about  $\pm 0.01$  V by a dc input. Also, the output frequency and symmetry are easily adjustable. The oscillator consists of an integrator and two comparators—one comparator sets the positive peak and the other the negative peak of the triangle wave. If R1 is replaced by a potentiometer, the frequency can be varied over at least a 10 to 1 range without affecting amplitude. Symmetry is also adjustable by connecting a 50 k $\Omega$  resistor from the inverting input of the LM118 to the arm of the 1 k $\Omega$  potentiometer. The ends of the potentiometer are connected across the supplies. Current for the resistor either adds or subtracts from the current through R1, changing the ramp time.

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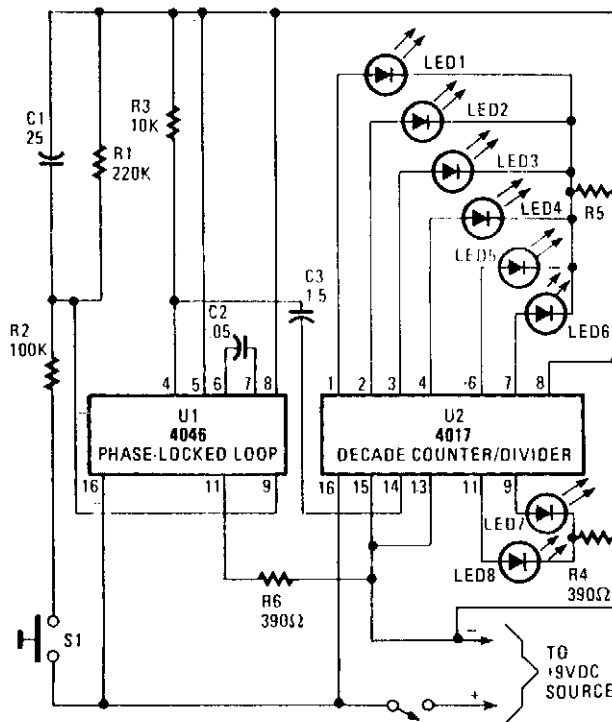
## Games

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Electronic Roulette  
Lie Detector

## ELECTRONIC ROULETTE



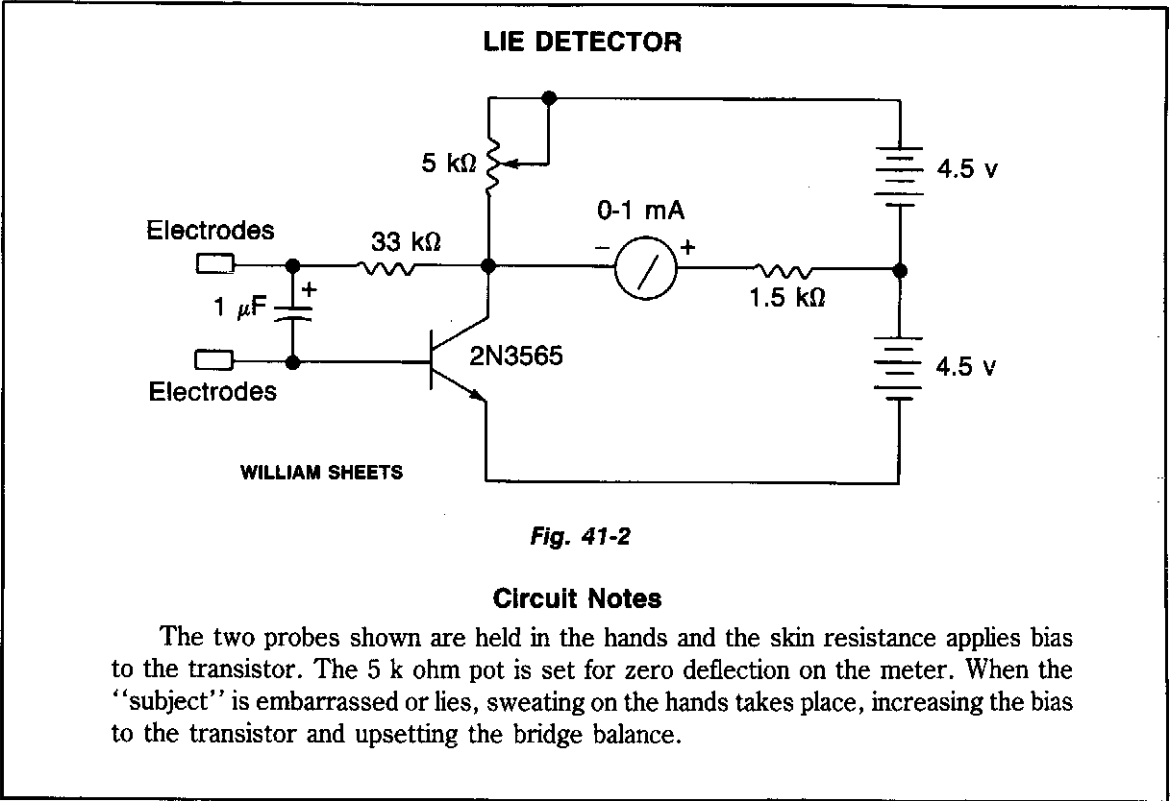
TAB BOOKS, INC.

Fig. 41-1

### Circuit Notes

U1 (a 4046 PLL containing a voltage controlled oscillator or VCO, two phase comparators, a source follower, and a Zener diode) is used to produce a low-frequency, pulsed output of about 40 Hz. The VCO's frequency range is determined by R6 and C2, which can be altered by varying the voltage at pin 9. The rising voltage causes the frequency to rise from zero to threshold and remain at that frequency as long as S1 is closed. When S1 is opened, C1 discharges slowly through R1 to ground and the voltage falls toward zero. That produces a decreasing pulse rate. The output of U1 at pin 4 is connected to the clock input of U2 (a 4017 decade decoder/driver) at pin 14 via C3. U2 sequentially advances through each of its ten outputs (0 to 9)—pins 1 to 7, and 9 to 11—with each input pulse. As each output goes high, its associated LED is lighted, and extinguished when it returns to the low state. Only eight outputs are used in the circuit, giving two numbers to the spinner of the house. The circuit can be set up so that the LED's lights sequence or you can use some staggered combination; the LEDs grouped in a straight line or a circle.





**Fig. 41-2**

**Circuit Notes**

The two probes shown are held in the hands and the skin resistance applies bias to the transistor. The 5 k ohm pot is set for zero deflection on the meter. When the "subject" is embarrassed or lies, sweating on the hands takes place, increasing the bias to the transistor and upsetting the bridge balance.

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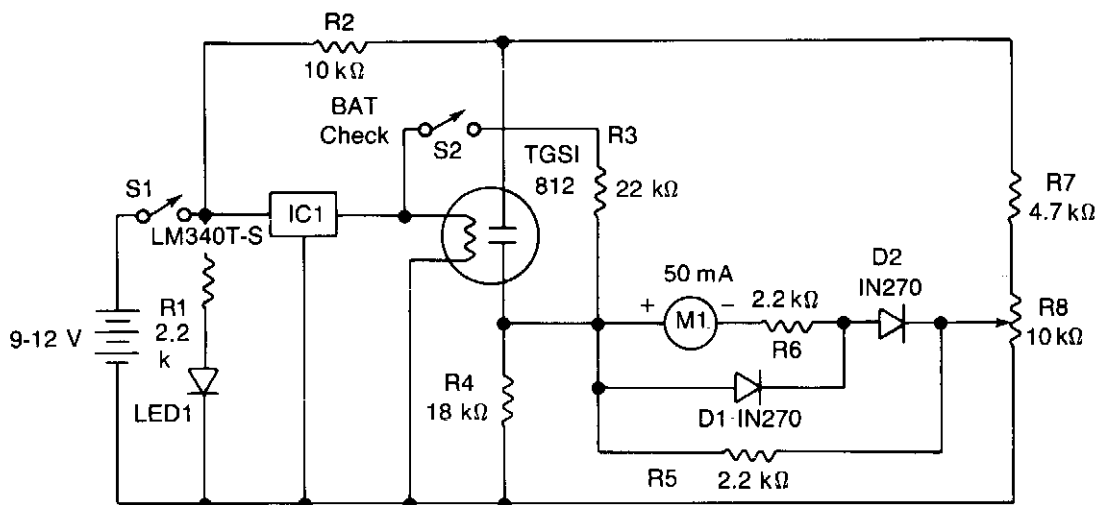
## Gas and Smoke Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Gas and Vapor Detector  
Toxic Gas Detector  
Gas Analyzer

## GAS AND VAPOR DETECTOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 42-1

### Circuit Notes

The power drain is approximately 150 mA. IC1 provides a regulated 5-volt supply for the filament heater of the sensor. The gas sensitive element is connected as one arm of a resistance bridge consisting of R4, R7, R8 and the meter M1 with its associated resistors R5 and R6. The bridge can be balanced by adjusting R8 so that no current flows through the meter. A change in the sensor's resistance, caused by detection of noxious gases, will unbalance the circuit and deflect the meter. Diodes D1, D2 and resistor R5 protect the meter from overload while R6 determines overall sensitivity. R2 limits the current through the sensor; R1 and LED1 indicate that the circuit is working, so that you do not drain the battery leaving the unit on inadvertently; R3 and S2 give a battery level check.

## TOXIC GAS DETECTOR

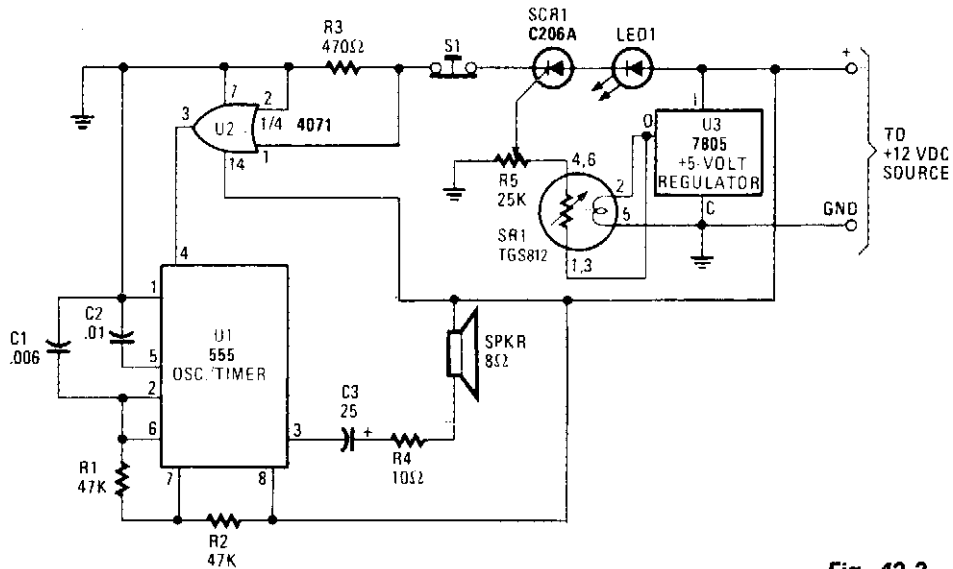


Fig. 42-2

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

### Circuit Notes

The major device in the circuit is SR1 (a TGS812 toxic-gas sensor manufactured by Figaro Engineering Inc.) The gas-sensitive semiconductor (acting like a variable resistor in the presence of toxic gas) decreases in electrical resistance when gaseous toxins are absorbed from the sensor surface. A 25,000 ohm potentiometer (R5) connected to the sensor serves as a load, voltage-dividing network, and sensitivity control and has its center tap connected to the gate of SCR1. When toxic fumes come in contact with the sensor, decreasing its electrical resistance, current flows through the load (potentiometer R5). The voltage developed across the wiper of R5, which is connected to the gate of SCR1, triggers the SCR into conduction. With SCR1 now conducting, pin 1-volt supply for the semiconductor elements of the TGS812 in spite of the suggested 10 volts, thus reducing the standby current. A 7805 regulator is used to meet the 5-volt requirement for the heater and semiconductor elements.

## GAS ANALYZER

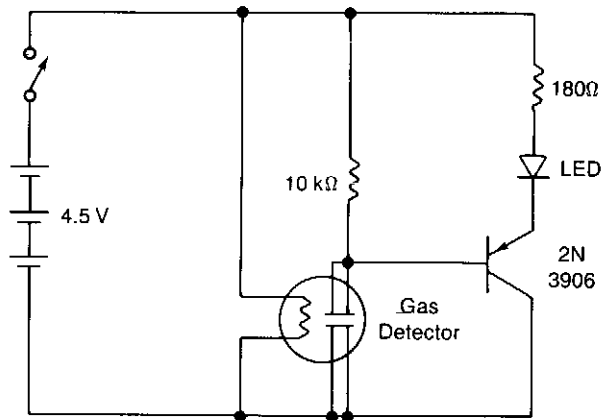


Fig. 42-3

WILLIAM SHEETS

### Circuit Notes

The circuit shows a simple yes/no gas detector. Three 1.5-V D cells are used as a power supply, with S1 acting as an on/off switch. The heater is energized directly from the battery, while the electrodes are in series with a 10 k resistor. The voltage across this resistor is monitored by a pnp transistor. When the sensor is in clean air, the resistance between the electrodes is about 40 k, so that only about 0.9 V is dropped across the 10 k resistor. This is insufficient to turn on the transistor, because of the extra 1.6 V required to forward bias the light emitting diode (LED) in series with the emitter. When the sensor comes in contact with contaminated air, the resistance starts to fall, increasing the voltage dropped across the 10 k resistor. When the sensor resistance falls to about 10 k or less, the transistor starts to turn on, current passes through the LED, causing it to emit. The 180 ohm resistor limits the current through the LED to a safe value.

# 43

## Hall Effect Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Angle of Rotation Detector  
Door Open Alarm

## ANGLE OF ROTATION DETECTOR

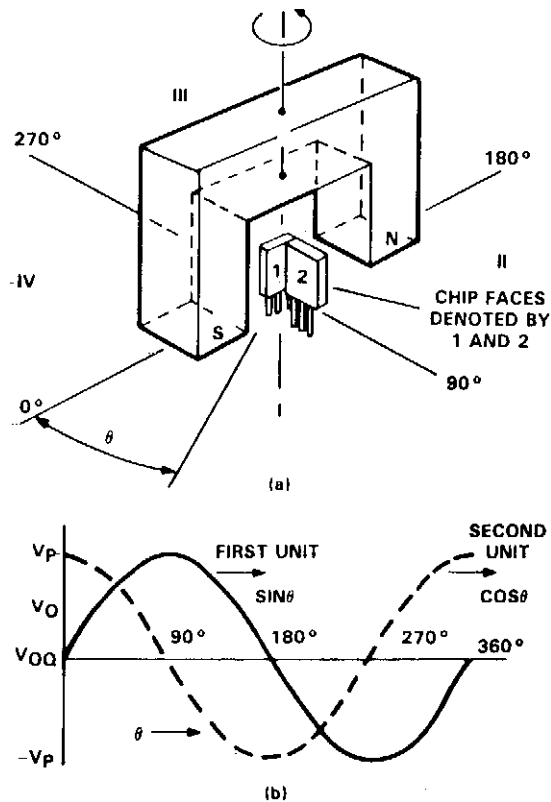
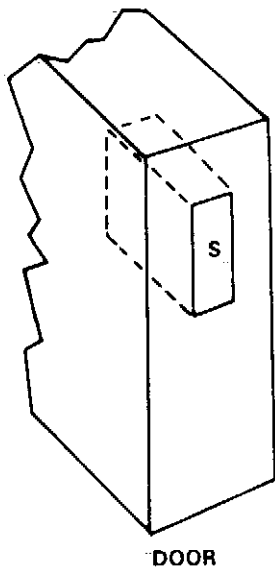


Fig. 43-1

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

### Circuit Notes

The figure shows two TL3103 linear Hall-effect devices used for detecting the angle of rotation. The TL3103s are centered in the gap of a U-shaped permanent magnet. The angle that the south pole makes with the chip face of unit #1 is defined as angle  $\theta$ . Angle  $\theta$  is set to 0° when the chip face of unit #1 is perpendicular to the south pole of the magnet. As the south pole of the magnet sweeps through a 0° to 90° angle, the output of the sensor increases from 0°. Sensor unit #2 decreases from its peak value of  $+V_p$  at 0° to a value  $V_{OQ}$  at 90°. So, the output of sensor unit #1 is a sine function of  $\theta$  and the output of unit #2 is a cosine function of  $\theta$  as shown. Thus, the first sensor yields the angle of rotation and the second sensor indicates the quadrant location.



DOOR

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

### DOOR OPEN ALARM

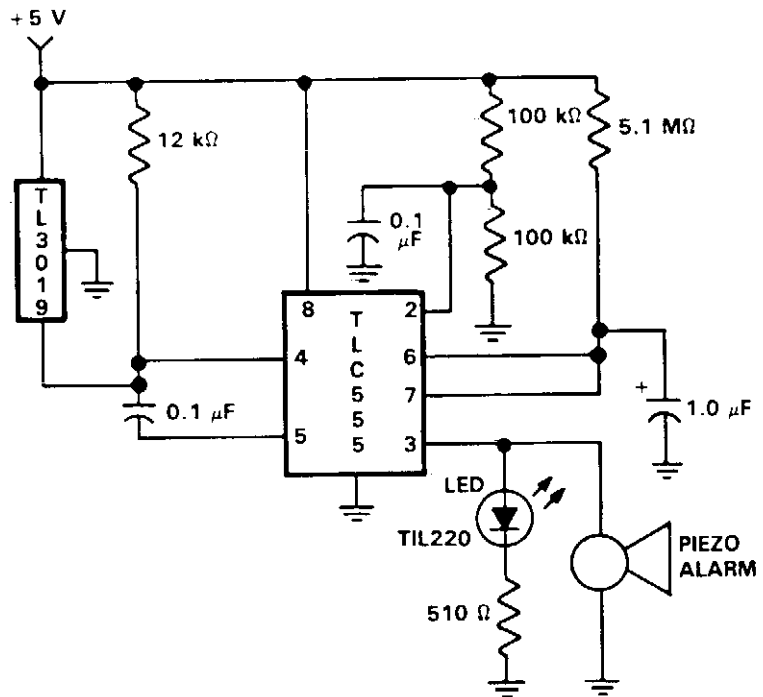


Fig. 43-2

### Circuit Notes

Door open alarms are used chiefly in automotive, industrial, and appliance applications. This type of circuit can sense the opening of a refrigerator door. When the door opens, a triac could be activated to control the inside light. The figure shows a door position alarm. When the door is opened, an LED turns on and the piezo alarm sounds for approximately 5 seconds. This circuit uses a TL3019 Hall-effect device for the door sensor. This normally open switch is located in the door frame. The magnet is mounted in the door. When the door is in the closed position, the TL3019 output goes to logic low, and remains low until the door is opened. This design consists of a TLC555 monostable timer circuit. The  $1\ \mu\text{F}$  capacitor and  $5.1\ \text{M}\ \Omega$  resistor on pins 6 and 7 set the monostable RC time constant. These values allow the LED and piezo alarm to remain on about 5 seconds when triggered. One unusual aspect of this circuit is the method of triggering. Usually a 555 timer circuit is triggered by taking the trigger, pin 2, low which produces a high at the output, pin 3. In this configuration with the door in the closed position, the TL3019 output is held low. The trigger, pin 2, is connected to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the supply voltage  $V_{CC}$ . When the door opens, a positive high pulse is applied to control pin 5 through a  $0.1\ \mu\text{F}$  capacitor and also to reset pin 4. This starts the timing cycle. Both the piezo alarm and the LED visual indicator are activated.



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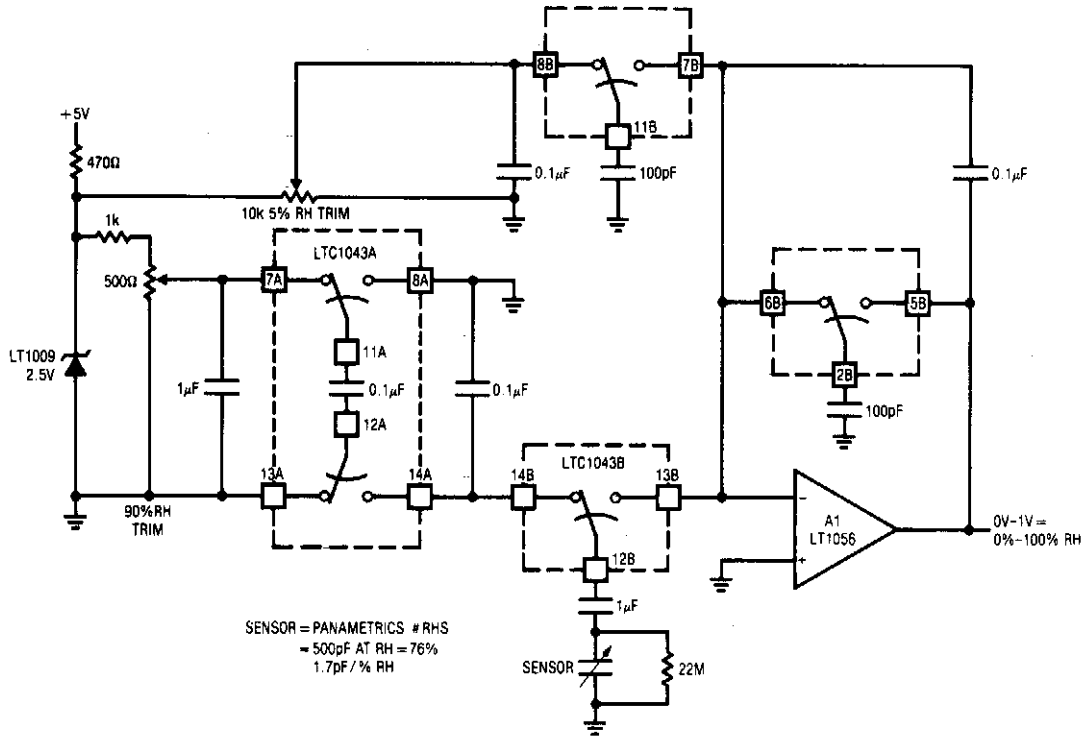
## Humidity Sensors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Relative Humidity Sensor Signal Conditioner

## RELATIVE HUMIDITY SENSOR SIGNAL CONDITIONER

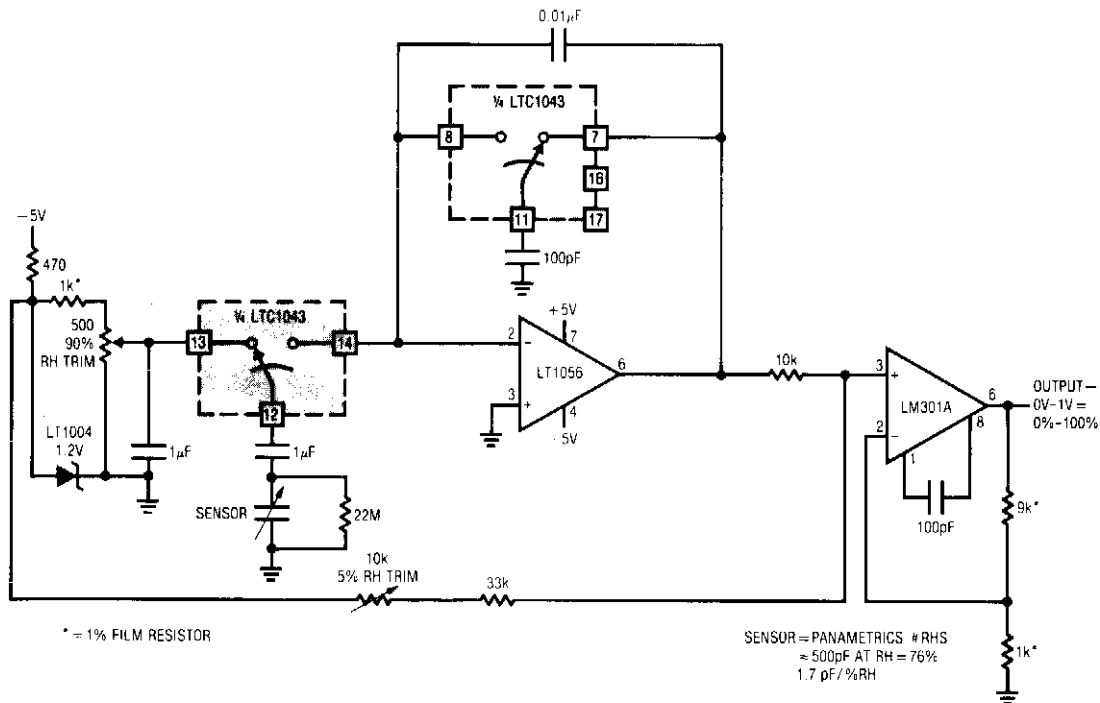


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Fig. 44-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit combines two LTC1043s with a based humidity transducer in a simple charge-pump based circuit. The sensor specified has a nominal 400 pF capacitance at RH = 76%, with a slope of 1.7 pF/% RH. The average voltage across this device must be zero. This provision prevents deleterious electrochemical migration in the sensor. The LTC1043A inverts a resistively scaled portion of the LT1009 reference, generating a negative potential at pin 14A. The LTC1043B alternately charges and discharges the humidity sensor via pins 12B, 13B, and 14B. With 14B and 12B connected, the sensor charges via the 1  $\mu$ F unit to the negative potential at pin 14A. When the 14B-12B pair



\* = 1% FILM RESISTOR

SENSOR = PANAMETRICS # RHS  
 ≈ 500pF AT RH = 76%  
 1.7 pF/%RH

opens, 12B is connected to A1's summing point via 13B. The sensor now discharges into the summing point through the 1 μF capacitor. Since the charge voltage is fixed, the average current into the summing point is determined by the sensor's humidity related value. The 1 μF value ac couples the sensor to the charge-discharge path, maintaining the required zero average voltage across the device. The 22M resistor prevents accumulation of charge, which would stop current flow. The average current into A1's summing point is balanced by packets of charge delivered by the switched-capacitor gives A1 an integrator-like response, and its output is dc.

# 45

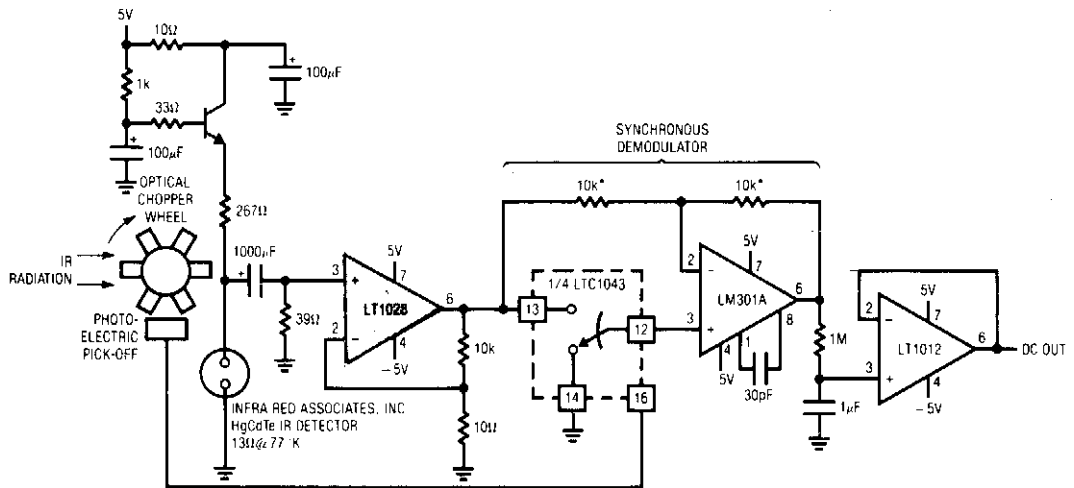
## Infrared Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Low Noise Infrared Detector  
Infrared Transmitter  
Infrared Transmitter  
Invisible Infrared Pulsed Laser Rifle  
Infrared Receiver  
Pulsed Infrared Diode Emitter Drive

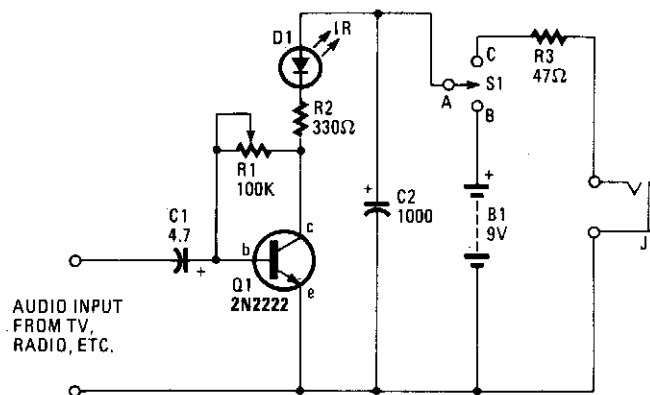
## LOW NOISE INFRARED DETECTOR



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Fig. 45-1

## INFRARED TRANSMITTER



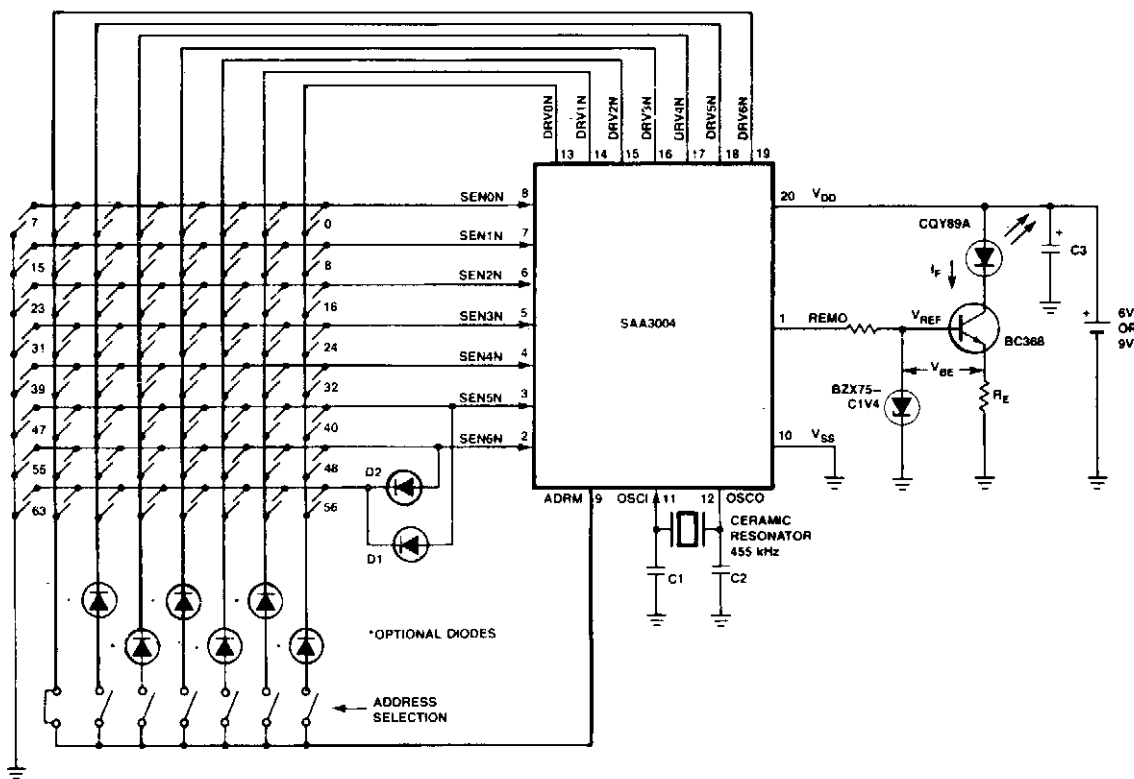
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 45-2

### Circuit Notes

The ultra-simple one-transistor, IR transmitter shown is designed to transmit the sound from any 8 or 16 ohm audio source, such as a TV, radio, or tape recorder on an infrared beam of light.

## INFRARED TRANSMITTER



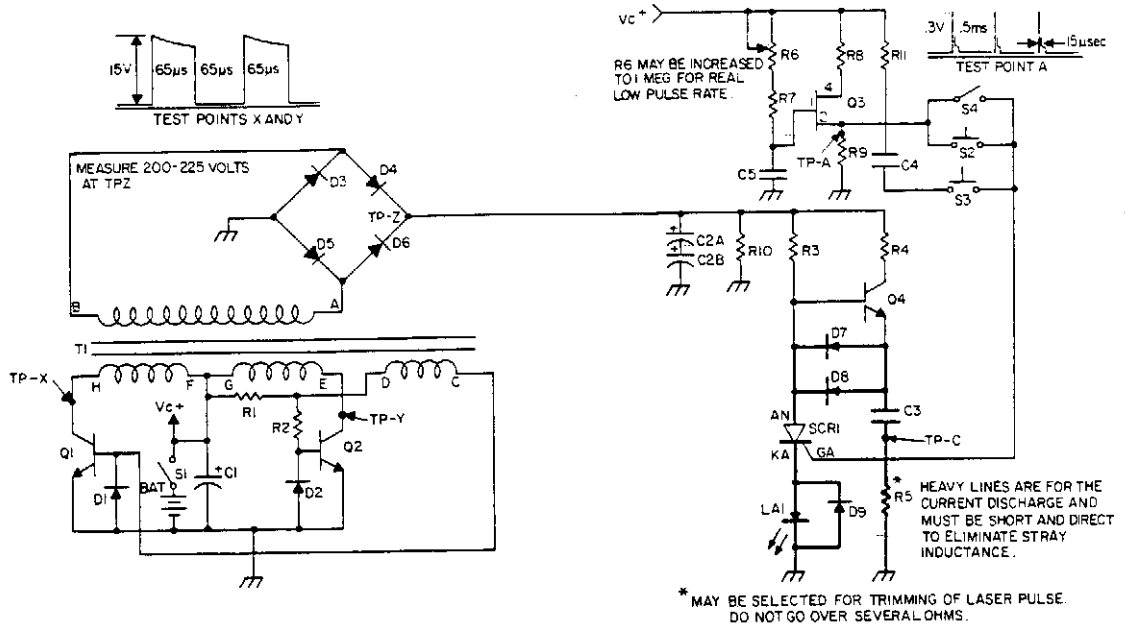
SIGNETICS

Fig. 45-3

### Circuit Notes

The transmitter keyboard is arranged as a scanned matrix. The matrix consists of 7 driver outputs and 7 sense inputs. The driver outputs DRV0N to DRV6N are open-drain n-channel transistors and they are conductive in the stand-by mode. The 7 sense inputs (SEN0N to SEN6N) enable the generation of 56 command codes. With 2 external diodes all 64 commands are addressable. The sense inputs have p-channel pull-up transistors, so that they are HIGH until they are pulled LOW by connecting them to an output via a key depression to initiate a code transmission.

## INVISIBLE INFRARED PULSED LASER RIFLE



**Fig. 45-4**

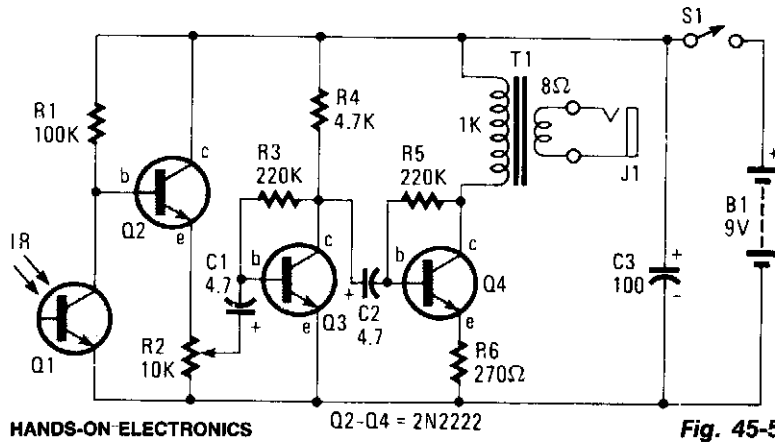
TAB BOOKS INC.

### Circuit Notes

The device generates an adjustable frequency of low to medium powered IR pulses of invisible energy and must be treated with care.

The portable battery pack is stepped up to 200 to 300 volts by the inverter circuit consisting of Q1, Q2, and T1. Q1 conducts until saturated, at which time, the base no longer can sustain it in an "on" state and Q1 turns "off," causing the magnetic field in its collector winding to collapse thus producing a voltage or proper phase in the base drive winding that turns on Q2 until saturated, repeating the above sequence of events in an "on/off" action. The diodes connected at the bases provide a return path for the base drive current. The stepped up squarewave voltage on the secondary of T1 is rectified and integrated on C2.

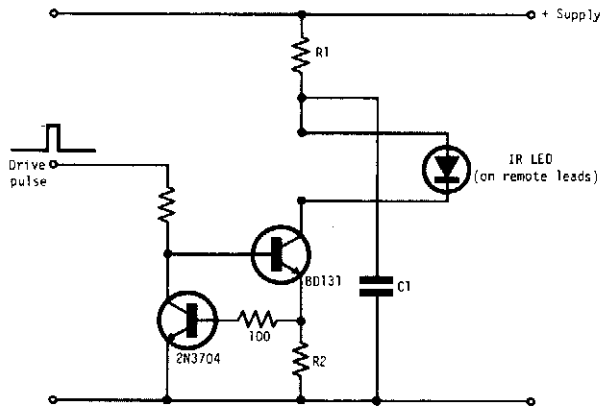
## INFRARED RECEIVER



### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of Q1—a phototransistor that responds to an intensity of amplitude-modulated IR light source—and a three-stage, high-gain audio amplifier. Transformer T1 is used to match the output impedance of the receiver to today's popular low-impedance (low-Z) headphones; but if a set of 1000-2000 ohm, magnetic (not crystal), high-impedance (high-Z) phones are to be used, remove T1 and connect the high-Z phones in place of T1's primary winding—the 1000-ohm winding.

## PULSED INFRARED DIODE EMITTER DRIVE



### Circuit Notes

Q1 and Q2 form a constant current drive defined by R2. ( $I$  approximates to the reciprocal of R2 in the circuit shown for values of  $I$  greater than 1 amp). The pulse current is drawn from C1 which is recharged during the time between pulses via R1. The value of C1 is determined from the duration and magnitude of the peak current required, and the time constant R1 C1 is determined from the duration between pulses.



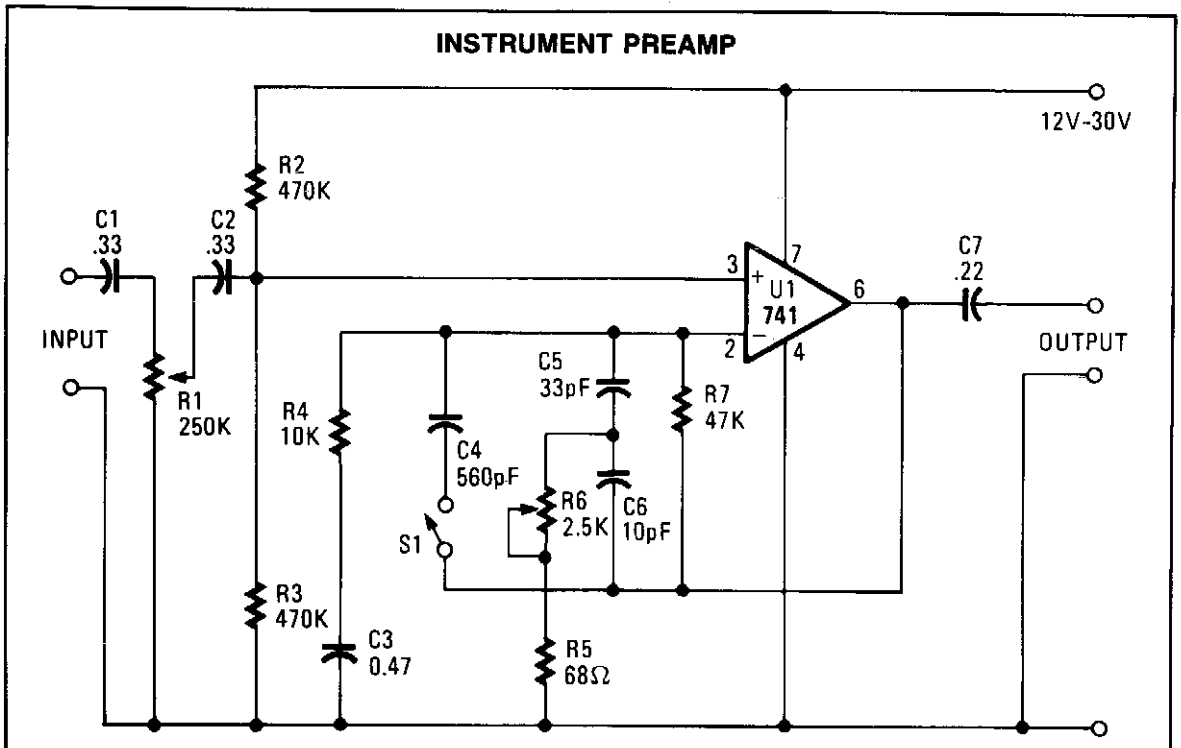
# 46

## Instrumentation Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Instrument Preamp  
Instrumentation Amplifier with  $\pm 100$  Volt Common  
Mode Range  
Current-Collector Head-Amplifier  
Instrumentation Meter Driver  
Saturated Standard Cell Amplifier



#### Circuit Notes

The input impedance is the value of potentiometer R1. If your instrument has extra-deep bass, change capacitor C1 to 0.5  $\mu\text{F}$ . What appears to be an extra part in the feedback loop is a brightening tone control. The basic feedback from the op amp's output (pin 6) to the inverting input (pin 2) consists of resistor R7, and the series connection of resistor R4 and capacitor C3, which produce a voltage gain of almost 5 (almost 14 dB). That should be more extra oomph than usually needed. If the circuit is somewhat short on bass response, increase the value of capacitor C3 to 1 to 10  $\mu\text{F}$ . Start with 1  $\mu\text{F}$  and increase the value until you get the bass effect you want.

#### INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER WITH $\pm 100$ VOLT COMMON MODE RANGE

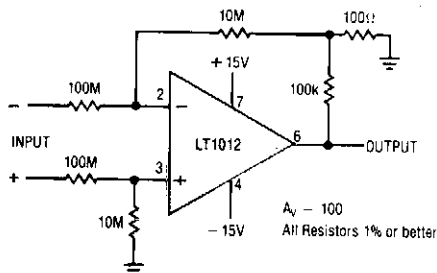
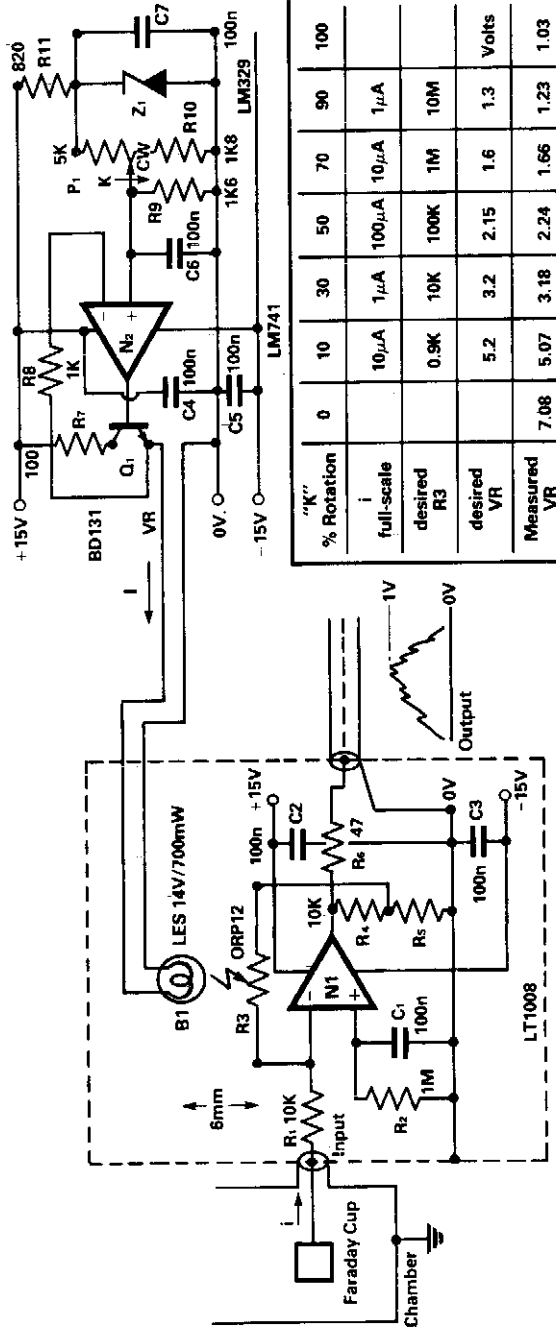


Fig. 46-2

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## CURRENT-COLLECTOR HEAD-AMPLIFIER



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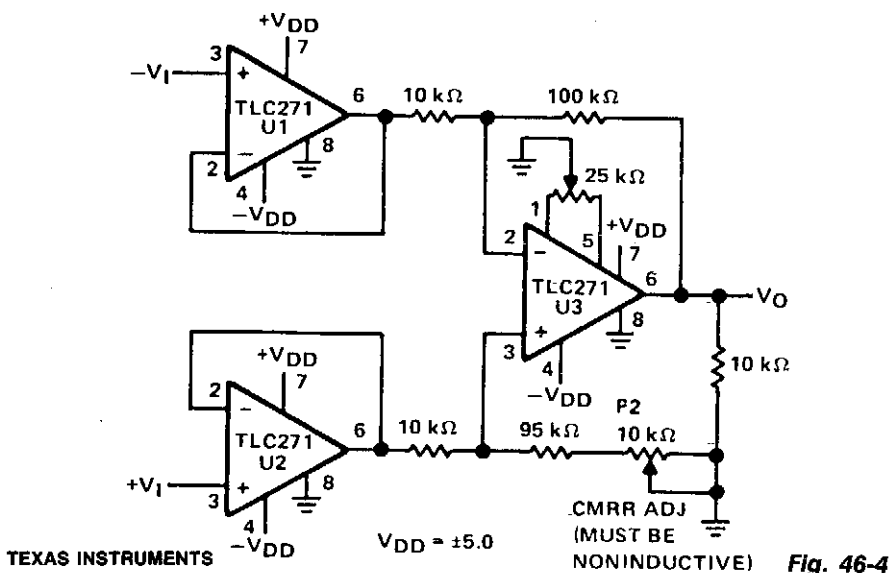
### Circuit Notes

To amplify small current signals such as from an electron-collector inside a vacuum chamber, it is convenient for reasons of noise and bandwidth to have a "head-amplifier" attached to the chamber. The op amp N1 is a precision bipolar device with extremely low bias current and offset voltage (1) as well as low noise, which allows the 100:1 feedback attenuator R4:R5. The resistance of R3 can be varied from above 10M to below 1R, and so the nominal 0 to 1 V-peak output signal corresponds to input current ranges of 1 nA to 10  $\mu$ A; this current  $i$  enters via the protective resistor R1. Light from the bulb B1 shines on R3, and the filament current  $I$  is controlled by the op amp N2.

The reference voltage VR is "shaped" by the resistors R9R10 so as to tailor the bulb and LDR characteristics to the desired current ranges. Thus, rotation of the calibrated knob K gives the appropriate resistance to R3 for the peak-current scale shown.

Fig. 46-3

## INSTRUMENTATION METER DRIVER



### Circuit Notes

Three op amps U1, U2, and U3 are connected in the basic instrumentation amplifier configuration. Operating from  $\pm 5$  V, pin 8 of each op amp is connected directly to ground and provides the ac performance desired in this application (high bias mode). P1 is for offset error correction and P2 allows adjustment of the input common mode rejection ratio. The high input impedance allows megohms without loading. The resulting circuit frequency response is 200 kHz at  $-3$  dB and has a slew rate of 4.5 V/ $\mu$ s.

## SATURATED STANDARD CELL AMPLIFIER

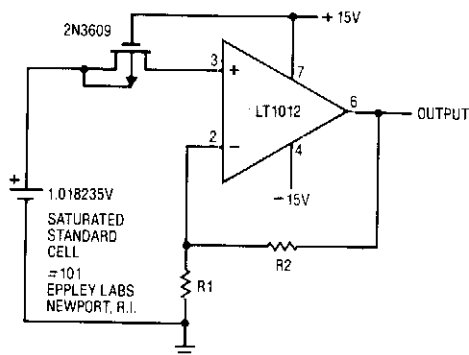


Fig. 46-5

The typical 30pA bias current of the LT1012 will degrade the standard cell by only 1 ppm/year. Noise is a fraction of a ppm. Unprotected gate MOSFET isolates standard cell on power down.

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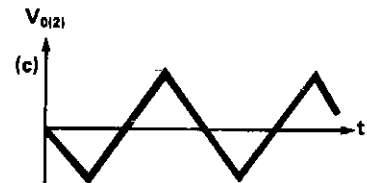
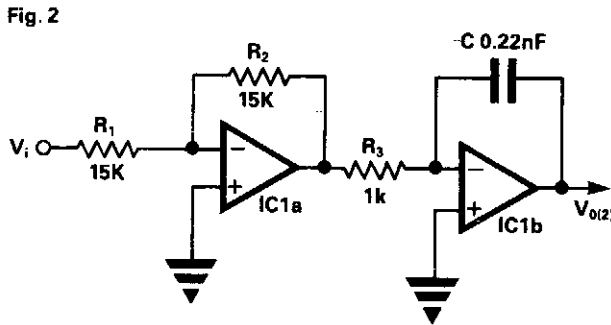
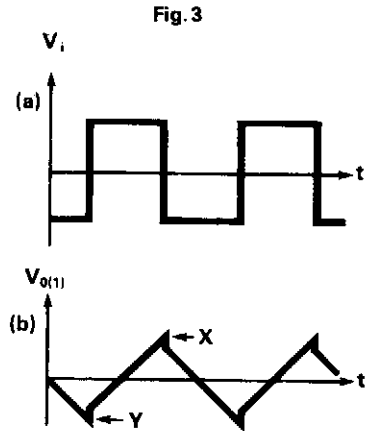
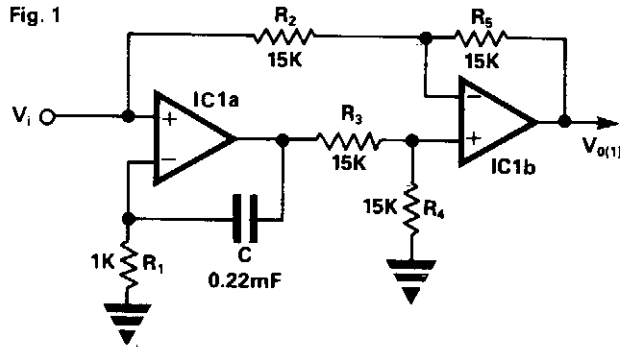
## Integrator Circuits

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Improved Non-Inverting Integrator  
Active Integrator with Inverting Buffer  
Long Time Integrator

## IMPROVED NON-INVERTING INTEGRATOR



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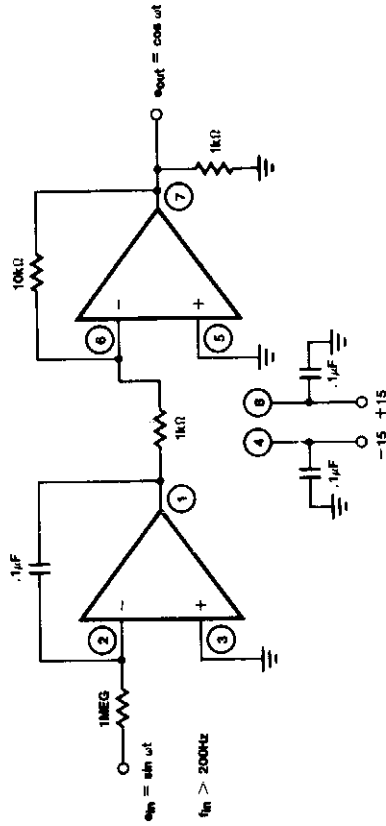
Fig. 47-1

### Circuit Notes

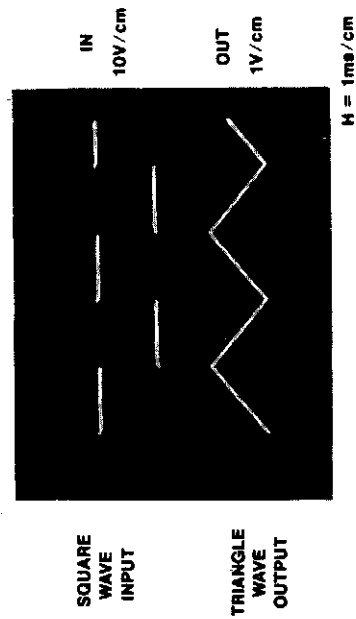
In the circuit in Fig. 1, IC1a produces the integral term required but also has the side effect of producing a proportional term not required, so this term is subtracted by IC1b leaving a pure integral. If the ratio  $R_2/R_5$  does not exactly match the ratio of  $R_3/R_4$ , the subtraction will not be complete and a small amount of the proportional term will reach the output. The result of this with a squarewave input is shown in Fig. 3a as small steps in the output waveform at points X and Y.

This effect can be completely removed by using the simplified circuit shown in Fig. 2. Here the signal is pre-inverted by IC1a, then fed to a standard inverting integrator IC1b. The result is a non-inverting integrator with the advantage that the unwanted proportional term is never produced, so it does not need to be subtracted.

## ACTIVE INTEGRATOR WITH INVERTING BUFFER



### INTEGRATOR WAVEFORMS



IC = NE/SE5512

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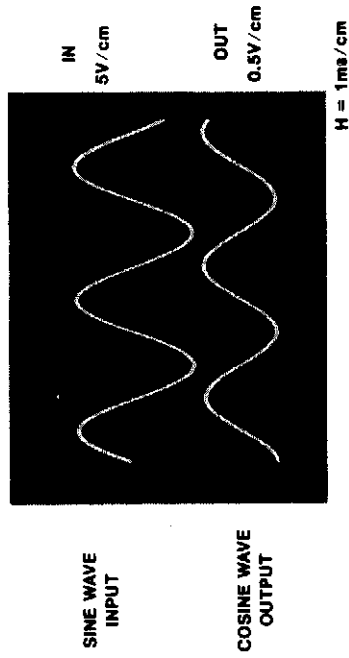


Fig. 47-2

## LONG TIME INTEGRATOR

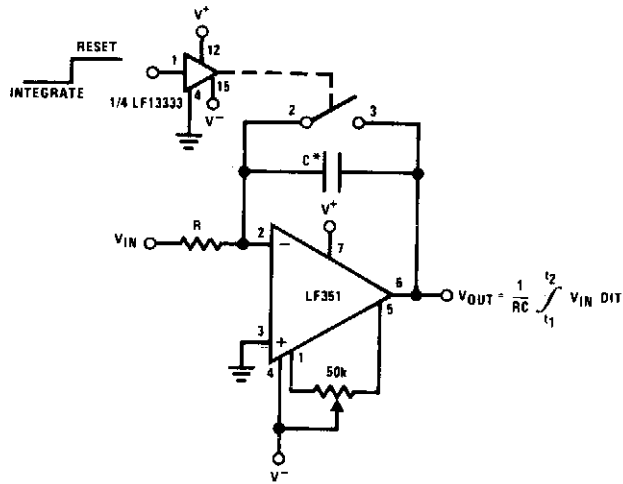


Fig. 47-3

- \* Low leakage capacitor
- 50k pot used for less sensitive  $V_{OS}$  adjust

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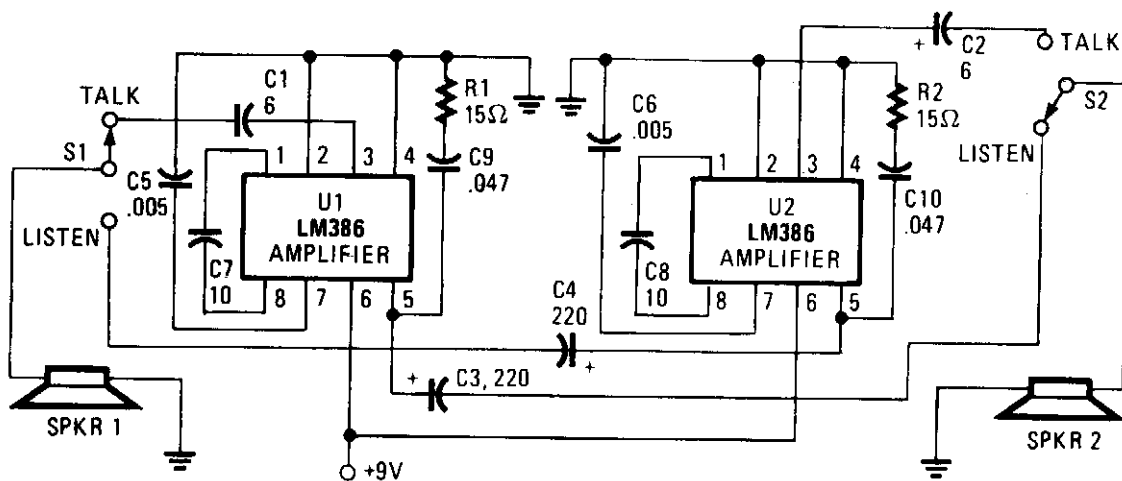
## Intercom Circuits

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Intercom  
Party-Line Intercom

## INTERCOM



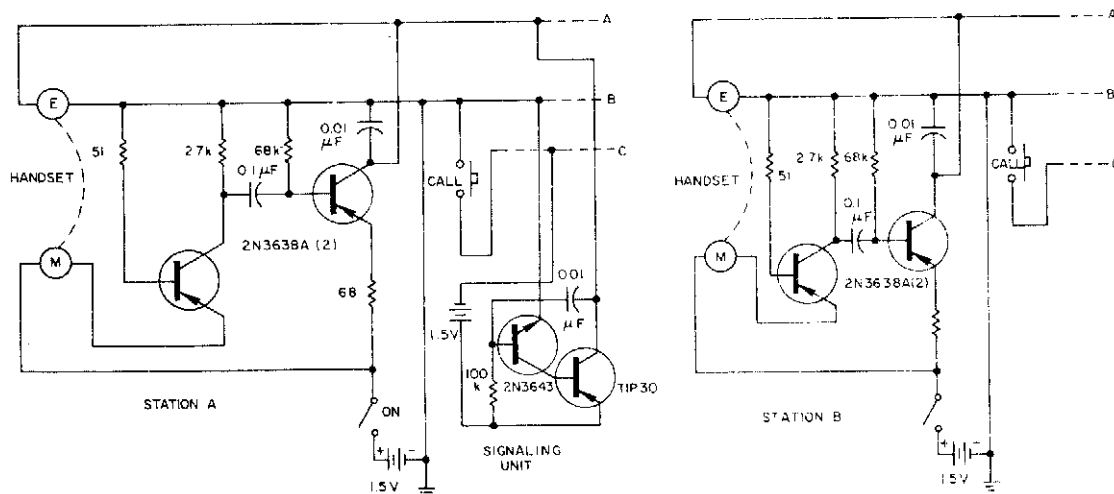
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Fig. 48-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of separate amplifiers—one for each station—rather than a single amplifier and a time sharing arrangement. U1 and U2 are low-voltage audio amplifiers, each of which operates as separate entities with switches at either station controlling which will transmit or receive. With capacitors C7 and C8 included in the circuit, the amplifiers have a gain of 200. Omitting those two components drops the gain to about 20. Other gain levels are available with the addition of a series-connected R/C combination connected between pin 1 and pin 8—for example, a 1000 ohm resistor and 10  $\mu$ F capacitor for a gain of about 150.

## PARTY-LINE INTERCOM



**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**Fig. 48-2**

### Circuit Notes

A large number of intercom stations can be tied together. All units are connected in parallel, and the entire system is buzzed by only one signaling circuit. Each unit is powered individually from 1.5-V cells for redundancy. For greater signal volume, 3-V sources can be used for the supplies without changing any other parts of the system. The carbon microphone of a standard telephone handset at each station feeds into a common-base amplifier, and a tandem high-gain common-emitter stage drives the intercom line. All phone earpieces are in parallel across the line. The signaling circuit, also connected across the line, is a simple oscillator that drives all the earpieces.

# 49

## Lamp-Control Circuits

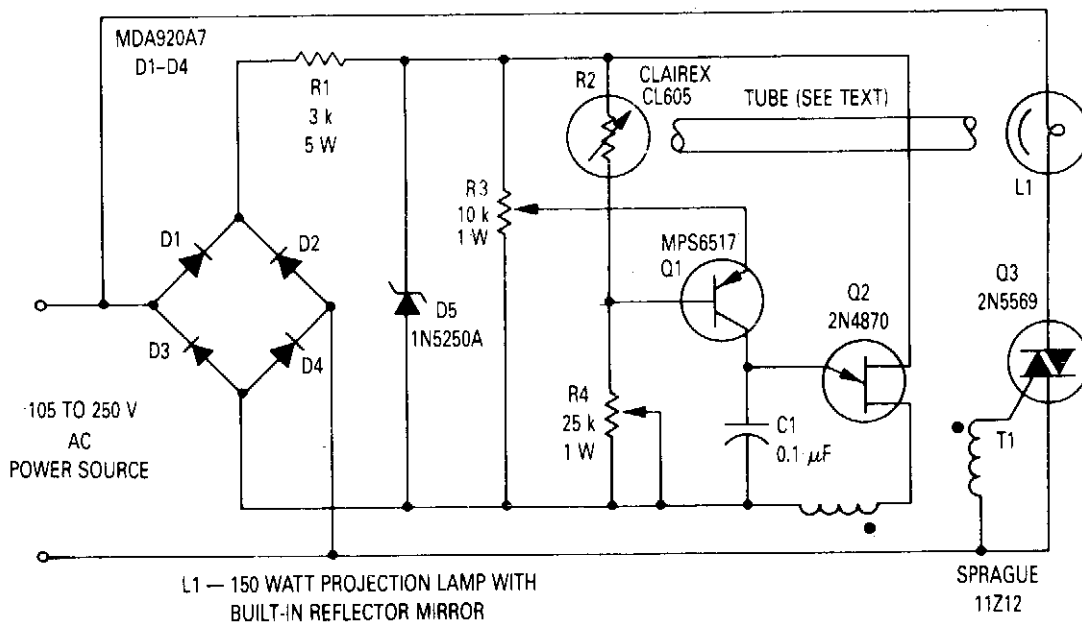
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Voltage Regulator for a Projection Lamp  
Machine Vision Illumination Stabilizer  
dc Lamp Dimmer  
Automatic Light Controller for Carport  
800 W Light-Dimmer

Lamp Dimmer  
Rugged Lamp Driver is Short-Circuit Proof  
TRIAC Lamp Dimmer  
TRIAC Zero-Point Switch  
Tandem Dimmer (Cross-Fader)

## VOLTAGE REGULATOR FOR A PROJECTION LAMP



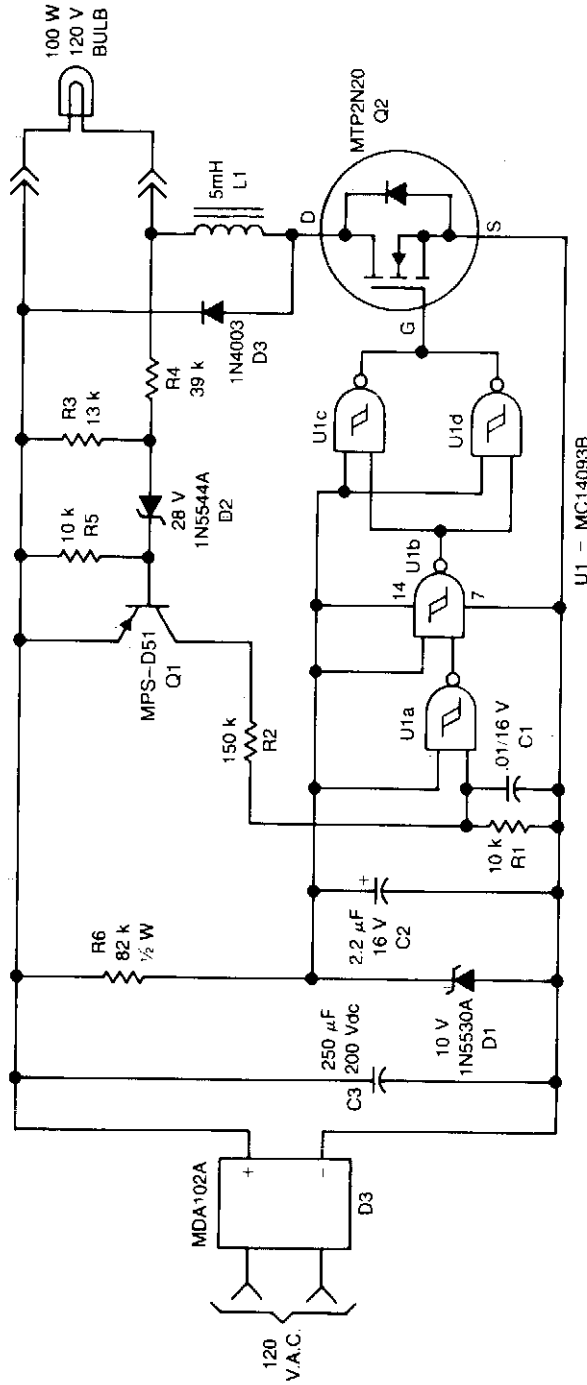
MOTOROLA

**Fig. 49-1**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will regulate the rms output voltage across the load (a projection lamp) to 100 volts  $\pm 2\%$  for an input voltage between 105 and 250 volts ac. This is accomplished by indirectly sensing the light output of lamp L1 and applying this feedback signal to the firing circuit (Q1 and Q2) which controls the conduction angle of TRIAC Q3. The lamp voltage is provided by TRIAC Q3, whose conduction angle is set by the firing circuit for unijunction transistor Q2. The circuit is synchronized with the line through the full-wave bridge rectifier. The voltage to the firing circuit is limited by zener diode D5. Phase control of the supply voltage is set by the charging rate of capacitor C1. Q2 will fire when the voltage on C1 reaches approximately 0.65 times the zener voltage. The charging rate of C1 is set by the conduction of Q1, which is controlled by the resistance of photocell R2. Potentiometers R3 and R4 are used to set the lamp voltage to 100 volts when the line voltage is 105 volts and 250 volts, respectively.

## MACHINE VISION ILLUMINATION STABILIZER



MOTOROLA

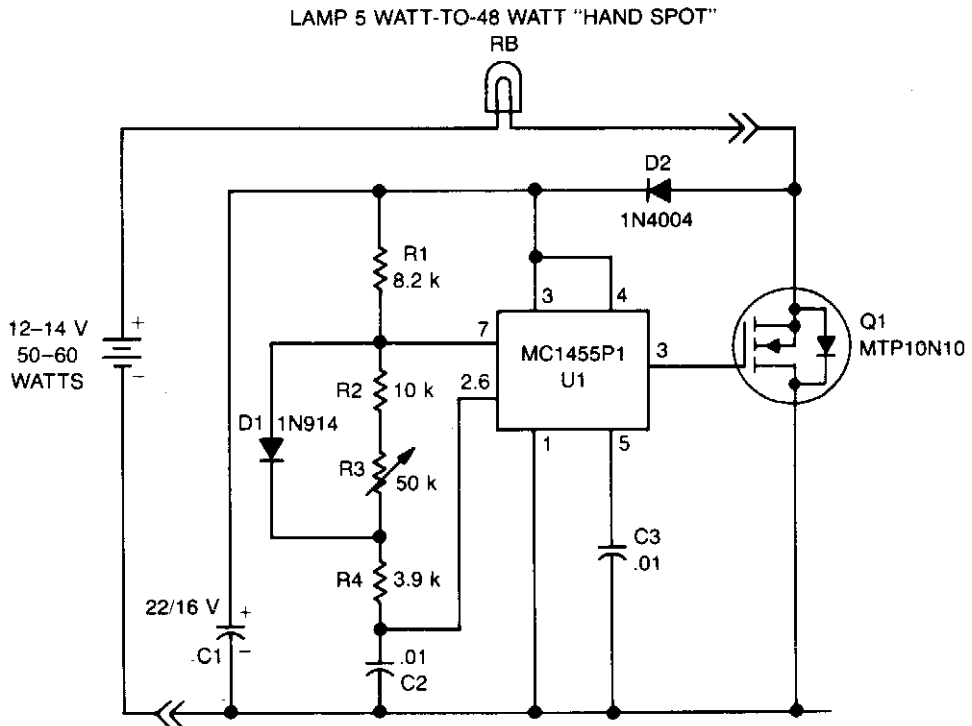
U1 - MC14093B

Fig. 49-2

### Circuit Notes

The combination of Q1, Q2 and U1 form a hysteresis oscillator to stabilize lamp illumination. In operation, full wave bridge D3 operates directly from the ac line to supply unregulated dc to the lamp and also to the 10 V zener that provides power to the quad CMOS Schmitt trigger, U1. When the lamp supply exceeds 115 V, Q1 is turned ON, charging C1 through R2 to raise the input to U1a past the positive-going logic threshold. This drops the output voltage at U1c and U1d, which drives the gate of Q2, turning it OFF. Current then decays through the lamp, L1 and D3 until the lamp voltage falls below 115 V, at which time Q1 turns OFF and the cycle repeats.

## DC LAMP DIMMER



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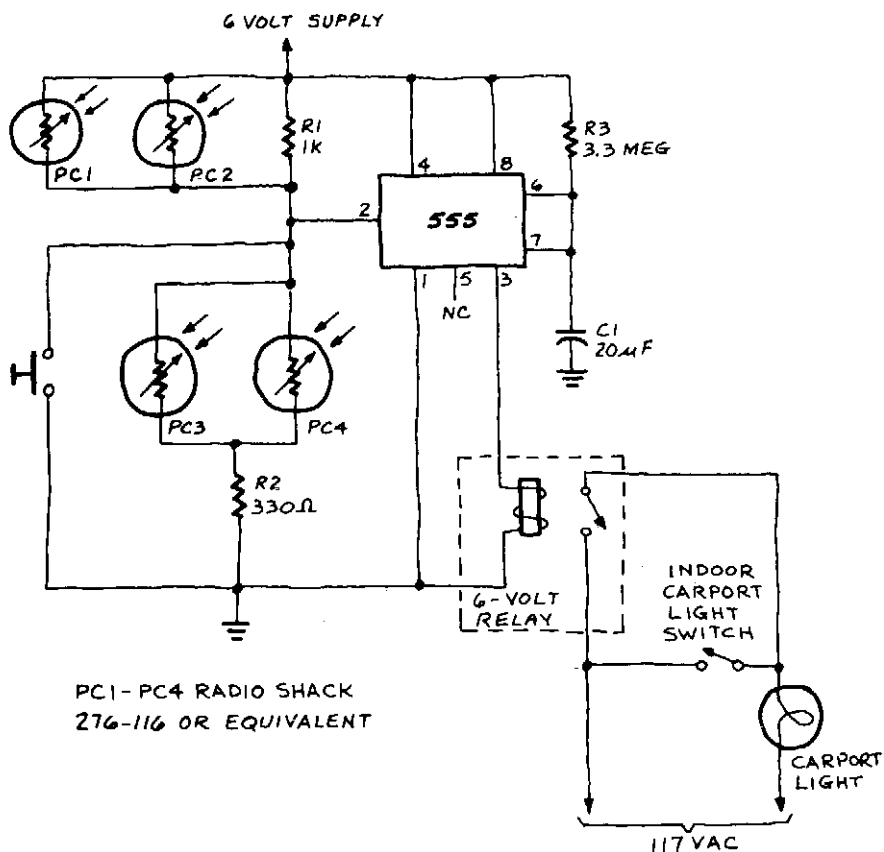
Fig. 49-3

### Circuit Notes

A low power, low cost dc lamp dimmer for a two-wire portable "flashlight" can be realized with little or no heatsinking. In addition, a single potentiometer, R3 adjusts lamp brightness.

Battery power is stored in C1 for U1, which is a free-running multivibrator whose frequency is determined by R1, R2, R3, R4, and C2. U1 drives the gate of Q1, turning it and the lamp ON and OFF at a rate proportional to the multivibrator duty cycle.

## AUTOMATIC LIGHT CONTROLLER FOR CARPORT



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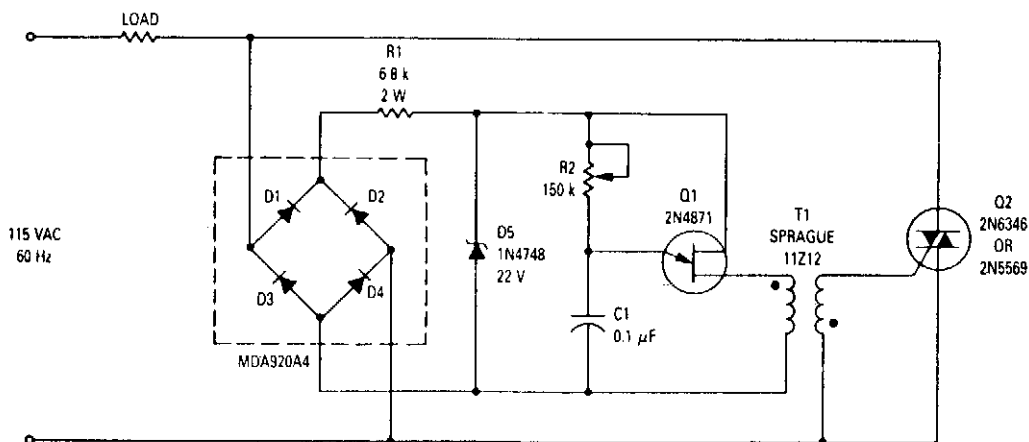
Fig. 49-4

### Circuit Notes

A 555 timer IC, operating in the one-shot mode, is triggered by light striking photoresistors. These normally have a resistance of several megohms but, in the presence of light, that resistance drops to several hundred ohms, permitting current from the six-volt source to flow in the circuit. The R-C combination shown gives an on-time of about two minutes. Photoresistors PC3 and PC4 are mounted at headlight-height. When headlights illuminate the photoresistor, the timer starts. That actuates a relay, RY1, and the lights are turned on. The lights are automatically turned off when the timer's two minutes are up.



## 800 W LIGHT-DIMMER



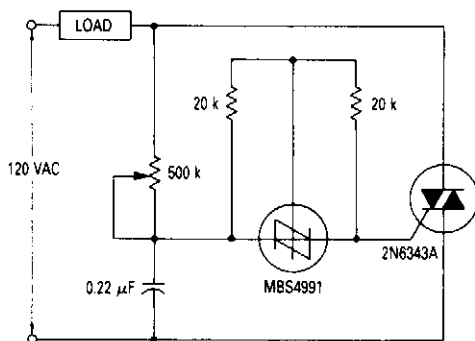
MOTOROLA

Fig. 49-5

### Circuit Notes

This wide-range light dimmer circuit uses a unijunction transistor and a pulse transformer to provide phase control for the TRIAC. The circuit operates from a 115 volt, 60 Hz source and can control up to 800 watts of power to incandescent lights. The power to the lights is controlled by varying the conduction angle of the TRIAC from 0° to about 170°. The power available at 170° conduction is better than 97% of that at the full 180°.

## LAMP DIMMER



MOTOROLA

Fig. 49-6

### Circuit Notes

A full range power controller suitable for lamp dimming and similar applications operate from a 120 volt, 60 Hz ac source, and can control up to 1000 watts of power to incandescent bulbs. The power to the bulbs is varied by controlling the conduction angle of TRIAC Q1. At the end of each positive half-cycle when the applied voltage drops below that of the capacitor, gate current flows out of the SBS and it switches on, discharging the capacitor to near zero volts. The RC network shown across the TRIAC represents a typical snubber circuit that is normally adequate to prevent line transients from accidentally firing the TRIAC.

## RUGGED LAMP DRIVER IS SHORT-CIRCUIT PROOF

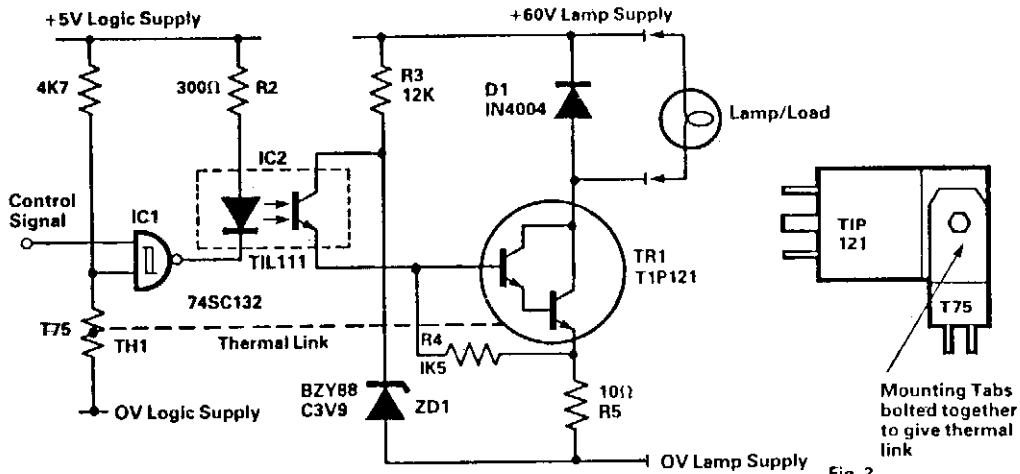


Fig. 1

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Fig. 2

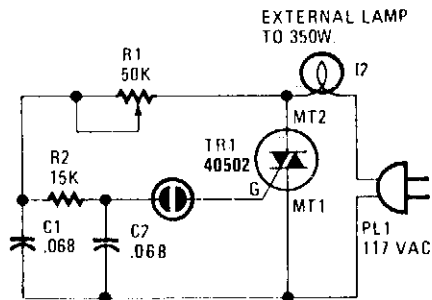
Fig. 49-7

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is capable of driving filament lamps of nominal rating 200 mA at 60 V dc from a CMOS logic signal.

The lamp or load is connected in series with the Darlington transistor TR1 and emitter resistor R5. The Zener diode ZD1 establishes a soft reference voltage on the collector of the optocoupler IC2. When the logic control signal from the processor switches the optocoupler on via IC1, base drive is applied to TR1 and the lamp is switched on.

## TRIAC LAMP DIMMER



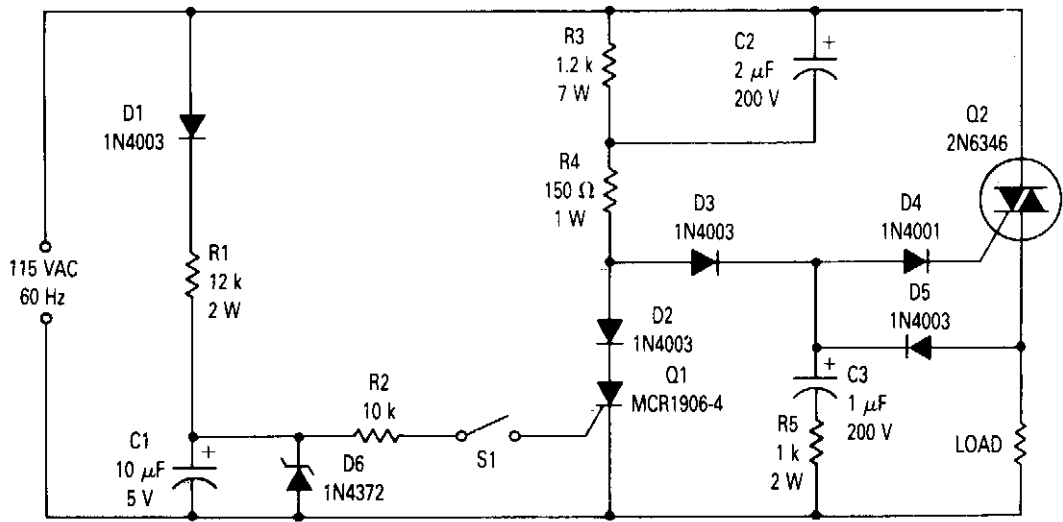
### Circuit Notes

Using a heatsink, the TRIAC (TR1) can handle up to 350 watts. The neon lamp, I1, won't trip the gate until after it conducts and using R1, set the lighting wherever you want it.

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Fig. 49-8

## TRIAC ZERO-POINT SWITCH



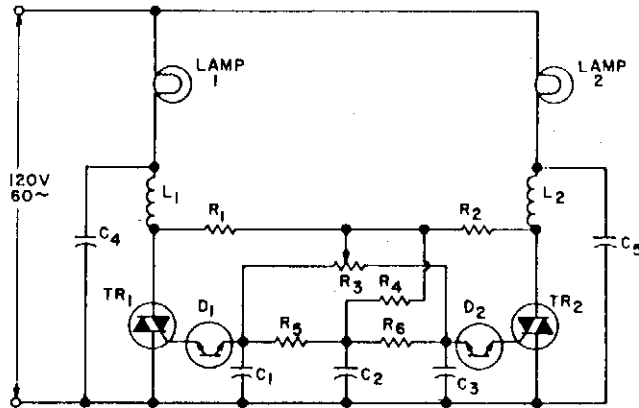
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Fig. 49-9

### Circuit Notes

On the initial part of the positive half cycle, the voltage is changing rapidly from zero causing a large current to flow into capacitor C2. The current through C2 flows through R4, D3, and D4 into the gate of the TRIAC Q2 causing it to turn on very close to zero voltage. Once Q2 turns on, capacitor C3 charges to the peak of the line voltage through D5. When the line voltage passes through the peak, D5 becomes reverse-biased and C3 begins to discharge through D4 and the gate of Q2. At this time the voltage on C3 lags the line voltage. When the line voltage goes through zero there is still some charge on C3 so that when the line voltage starts negative C3 is still discharging into the gate of Q2. Thus Q2 is also turned on near zero on the negative half cycle. This operation continues for each cycle until switch S1 is closed, at which time SCR Q1 is turned on. Q1 shunts the gate current away from Q2 during each positive half cycle keeping Q2 from turning on. Q2 cannot turn on during the negative cycle because C3 cannot charge unless Q2 is on during the positive half cycle.

## TANDEM DIMMER (CROSS-FADER)



$R_1 = R_2 = 6800\Omega$ , 1WATT  
 $R_3 = 150K\Omega$  LINEAR POT. 1W  
 $R_5 = R_6 = 22K\Omega$ , 1/2W.  
 $R_4 = 15K\Omega$ , 1/2W.  
 $TR_1 = TR_2 =$  TRIAC  
 $D_1 = D_2 =$  GE ST-2 DIAC

$L_1 = L_2 = 60\mu\text{hy}$  (FERRITE CORE)  
 $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 0.1\mu\text{f}$  50V  
 $C_4 = C_5 = 0.1\mu\text{f}$  200 VOLTS

NOTE: TOTAL LIGHT LEVEL (SUM OF LAMPS 1+2) CONSTANT WITHIN 15%.

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Fig. 49-10

### Circuit Notes

This cross fader circuit can be used for fading between two slide projectors. As  $R_3$  is moved to either side of center, one triac is fired earlier in each half cycle, and the other later. The total light output of both lamps stays about the same for any control position.

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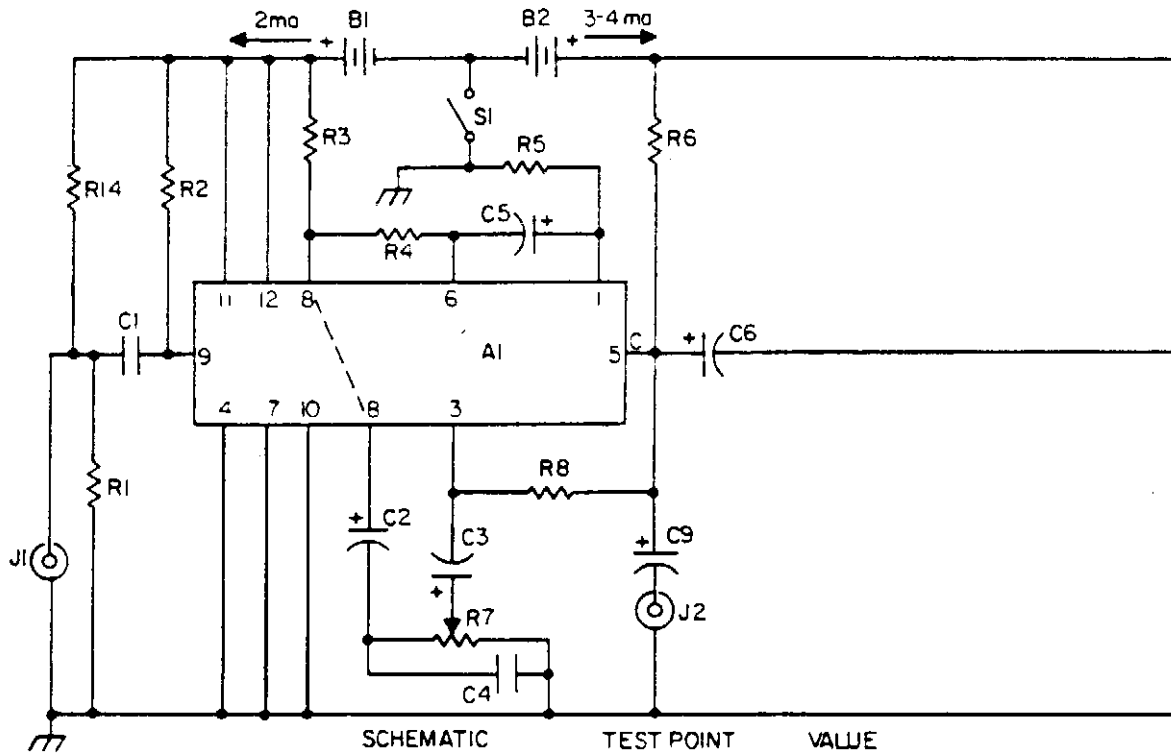
## Laser Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Laser Light Detector  
Stabilizing a Laser Discharge Current

## LASER LIGHT DETECTOR

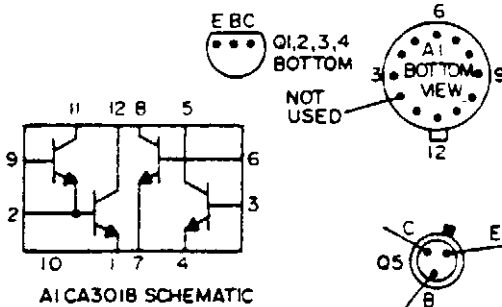


SCHEMATIC

TEST POINT VALUE

| TEST POINT | VALUE   |
|------------|---------|
| A          | 6-8V    |
| B          | 4-5V    |
| C          | 3-4V    |
| D          | 0(3)V   |
| E          | 9(4.5)V |
| F          | 0(3)V   |
| G          | 0(1)V   |
| H          | 9(2)V   |

VALUE IN PARENTHESIS ARE IN THE "ACTUATED" STATE AND ARE WITH A REALISTIC #CTR-43 RECORDER.

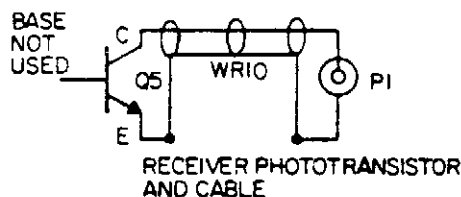
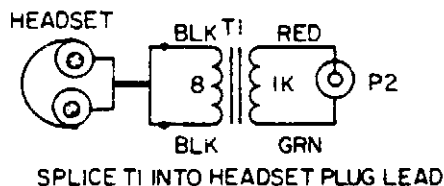
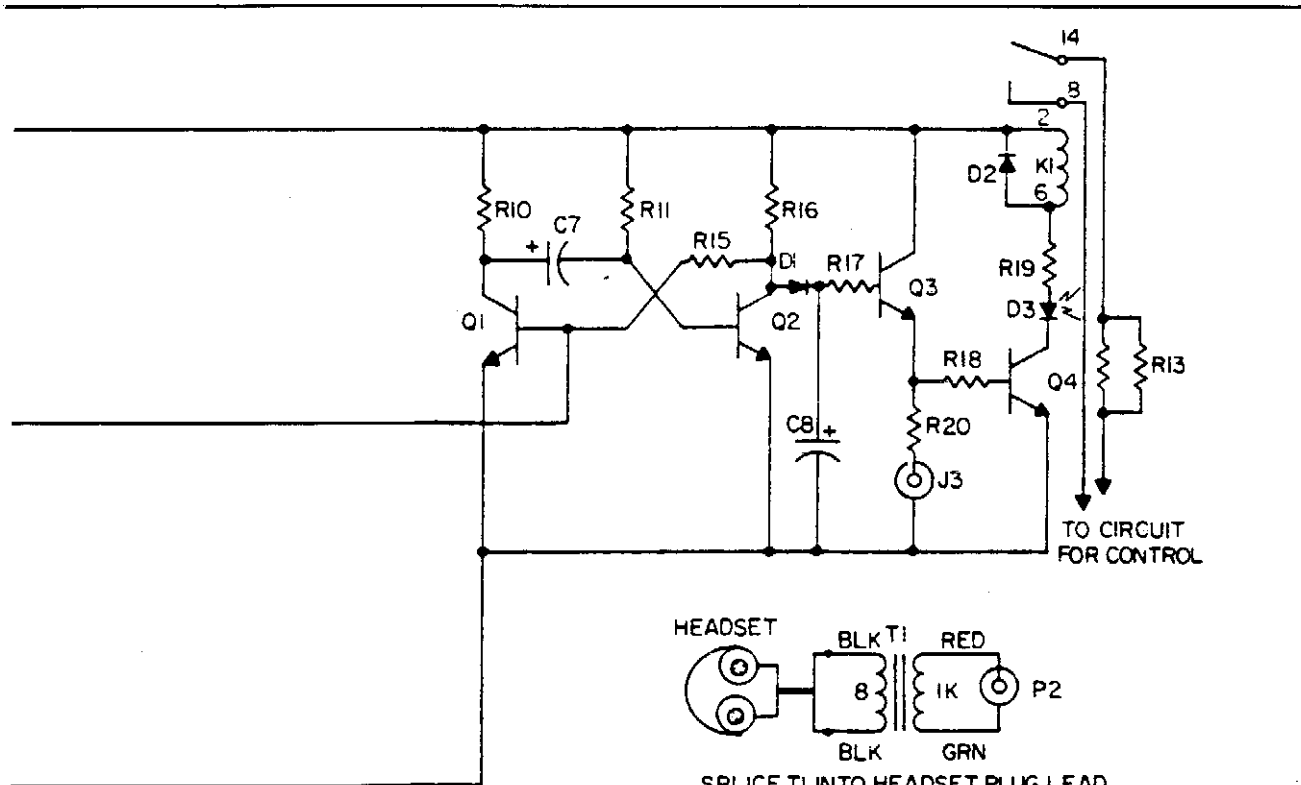


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Fig. 50-1

### Circuit Notes

The laser light detector utilizes a sensitive photo transistor (Q5) placed at the focal point of a lens (LE2). The output of Q5 is fed to a sensitive amplifier consisting of array (A1) and is biased via the voltage divider consisting of R14 and R1. The base is not used. Q5 is capacitively coupled to a Darlington pair for impedance transforming and is further fed to a capacitively coupled cascaded pair of common-emitter amplifiers for further signal



amplification. Sensitivity control (R7) controls base drive to the final transistor of the array and hence controls overall system sensitivity. Output of the amplifier array is capacitively coupled to a one-shot consisting of Q1 and Q2 in turn integrating the output pulses of Q2 onto capacitor C8 through D1. This dc level now drives relay drivers Q3 and Q4 activating K1 along with energizing indicator D3, consequently controlling the desired external circuitry. The contacts of K1 are in series with low ohm resistor R13 to prevent failure when switching capacitive loads. J2 allows "listening" to the intercepted light beam via headsets. This is especially useful when working with pulsed light sources such as GaAs lasers or any other varying periodic light source.

STABILIZING A LASER DISCHARGE CURRENT

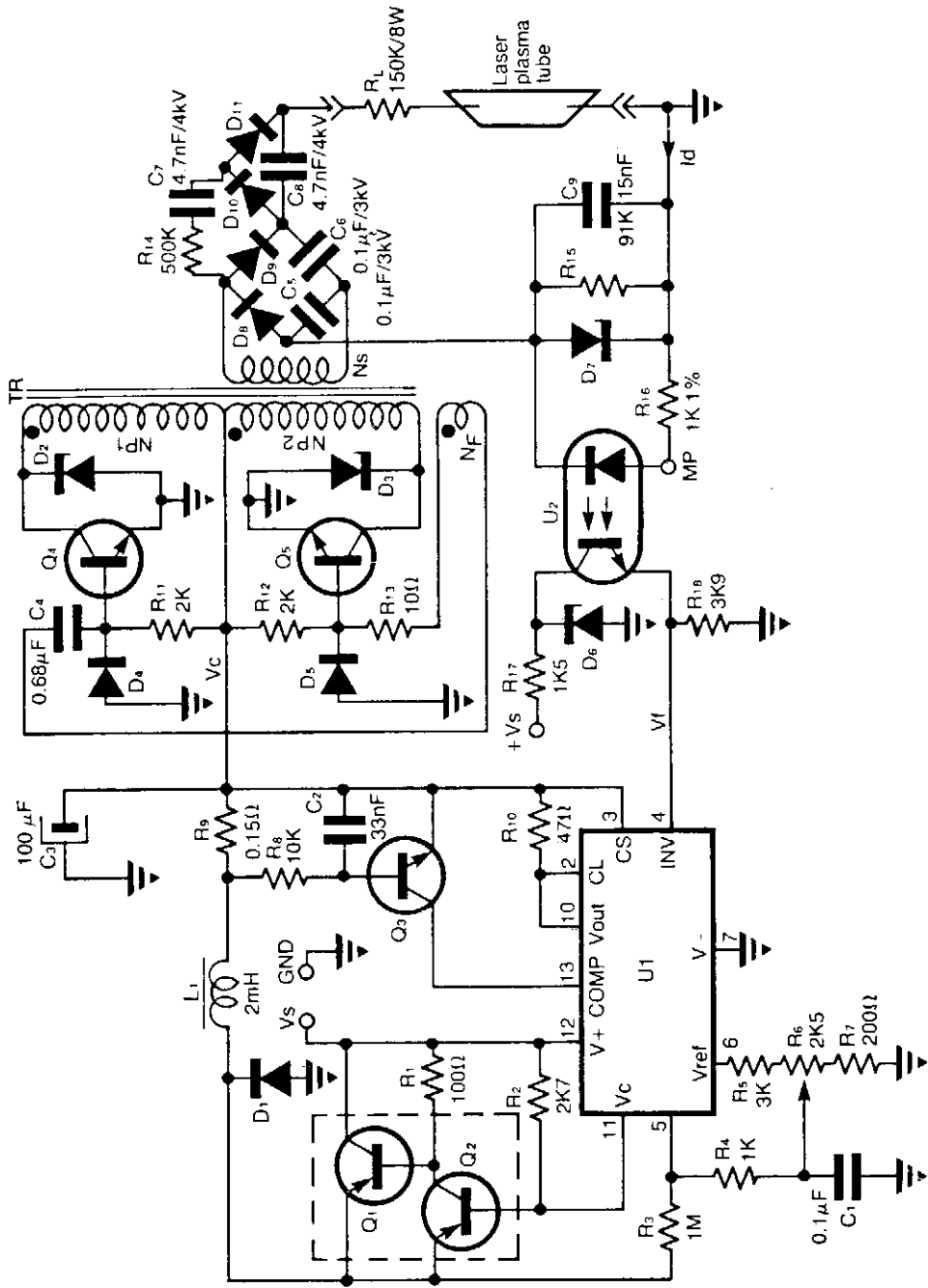


Fig. 50-2



|                |       |           |            |                                 |        |                                  |        |
|----------------|-------|-----------|------------|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|
| U <sub>1</sub> | LM723 | Np1 = Npz | 8 turns    | Q <sub>1</sub>                  | KD167  | D <sub>1</sub>                   | BA159  |
| U <sub>2</sub> | MB101 | Ns        | 1100 turns | Q <sub>2</sub>                  | BD140  | D <sub>2</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>  | PL33Z  |
|                |       | Nf        | 5 turns    | Q <sub>3</sub>                  | BC173C | D <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>  | 1N4148 |
|                |       |           |            | Q <sub>4</sub> , Q <sub>5</sub> | 2N5496 | O <sub>6</sub>                   | PL7V5  |
|                |       |           |            |                                 |        | D <sub>7</sub>                   | PL47Z  |
|                |       |           |            |                                 |        | D <sub>8</sub> , D <sub>11</sub> | LA40   |

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a free-running push-pull dc to dc high voltage converter to get the necessary voltage for the laser plasma tube supply. The supply voltage  $V_C$  of this converter, is adjusted by a switch-mode power supply in order to keep the load current constant, at set value. The linear opto-electronic isolator U2, connected in series with the laser plasma tube, gives a voltage  $V_f$  proportional to the discharge current  $I_D$  across R18, having the correct polarity to drive directly the inverting input of U1, D7, R15 protects the optoisolator diode against damage produced by the high voltage ignition pulse.

Due to the high operating frequency of the high voltage converter (25 kHz) the ripple of the laser output power is less than  $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ . The stability of  $I_D$  is better than  $10^{-2}$ , for variations of supply voltage  $V_s$  is the range of  $\pm 10\%$ , and depends on the optoisolator sensitivity.

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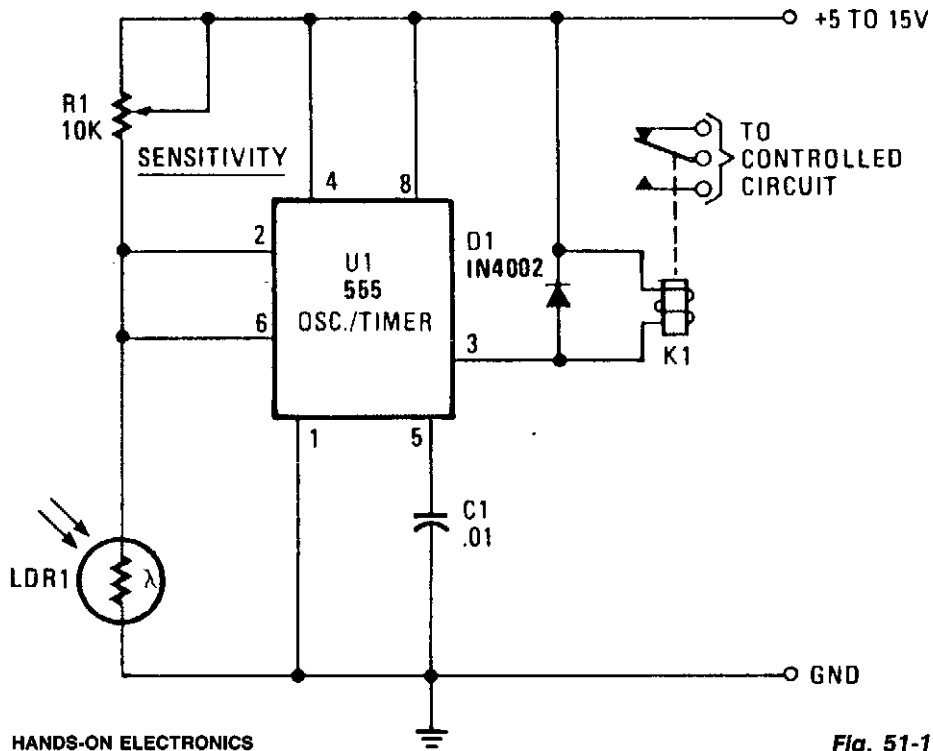
## Light-Controlled Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Photo Alarm                                      | Synchronous Photoelectric Switch                              |
| Warning Light Operates from Battery Power Supply | Photocurrent Integrator                                       |
| Light Operated Switch                            | Robot Eyes  |
| Photoelectric Switch                             | Modulated Light-Beam Circuit Cancels Ambient Light Effects    |
| Back-Biased GaAsP LED Operates as Light Sensor   | Monostable Photocell Circuit has Self-Adjusting Trigger Level |
| Twilight-Triggered Circuit                       | Thermally Stabilized PIN Photodiode Signal Conditioner        |
| Automatic Mooring Light                          |   |
| Electronic Wake-Up Call                          |   |
| Photodiode Sensor Amplifier                      |   |
| Light Seeking Robot                              |   |

## PHOTO ALARM



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 51-1

### Circuit Notes

LDR1, a cadmium sulphide (CDS) photoresistive cell is used as the lower leg of a voltage divider between  $V_{CC}$  and ground. The timer terminals 2 and 6 are connected to the junction of the photocell and SENSITIVITY control R1. The resistance of the photoresistive cell varies inversely as the light intensity; resistance is high when the illumination level is low; low in bright light. (The Radio Shack CDS cell 276-116 has a typically wide resistance range—about 3 megohms in darkness and 100 ohms in bright light.) When the light is interrupted or falls below a level set by SENSITIVITY control R1, the rise in LDR1's resistance causes the voltage on pins 2 and 6 to rise. If the control is set so the voltage rises above  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$ , the relay pulls in. The relay drops out when the light level increases and the drop across the photocell falls below  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$ . (The circuit can be modified by placing relay K1 and diode D1 between pin 3 and ground. In this case, the relay drops out when the voltage on pins 2 and 6 rises above  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$ , and pulls in when it falls below  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$ . This modification is valuable when the relay has single-throw contacts.) Opening and closing of the relay contacts occurs at different illumination levels. This  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$  hysteresis is an advantage that prevents the circuit from hunting and the relay from chattering when there are very small changes in illumination.

## WARNING LIGHT OPERATES FROM BATTERY POWER SUPPLY

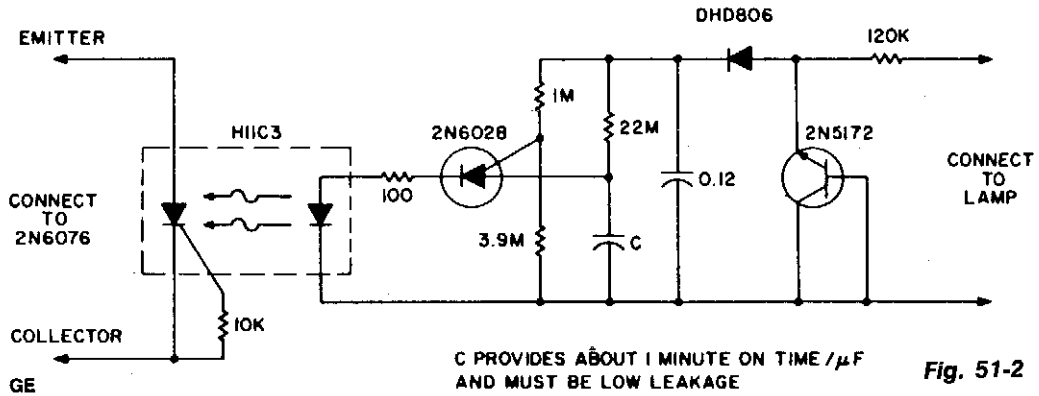
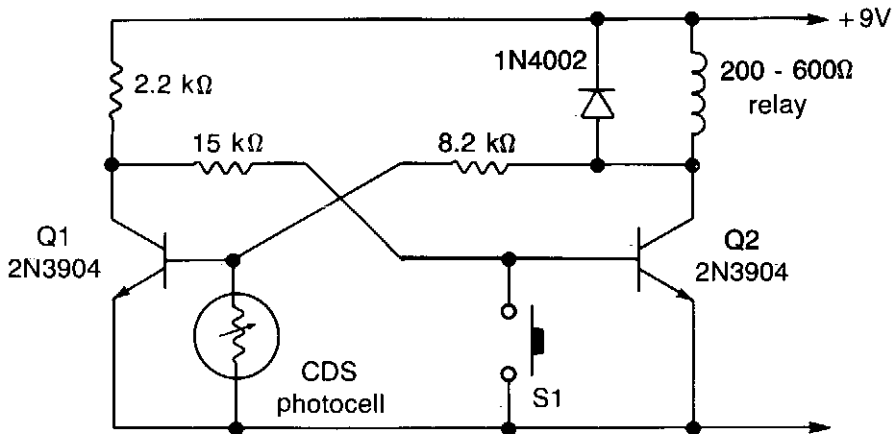


Fig. 51-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides illumination when darkness comes. By using the gain available in darlington transistors, this circuit is simplified to use just a photodarlington sensor, a darlington amplifier, and three resistors. The illumination level will be slightly lower than normal, and longer bulb life can be expected, since the D40K saturation voltage lowers the lamp operating voltage slightly.

## LIGHT-OPERATED SWITCH



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 51-3

### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a flip-flop arrangement of Q1 and Q2. Normally Q1 is conducting heavily. Light on CDS photocell causes Q1 bias to decrease, cutting it off, turning on Q2, removing the remaining bias from Q1. Reset is accomplished by depressing S1.

### PHOTOELECTRIC SWITCH

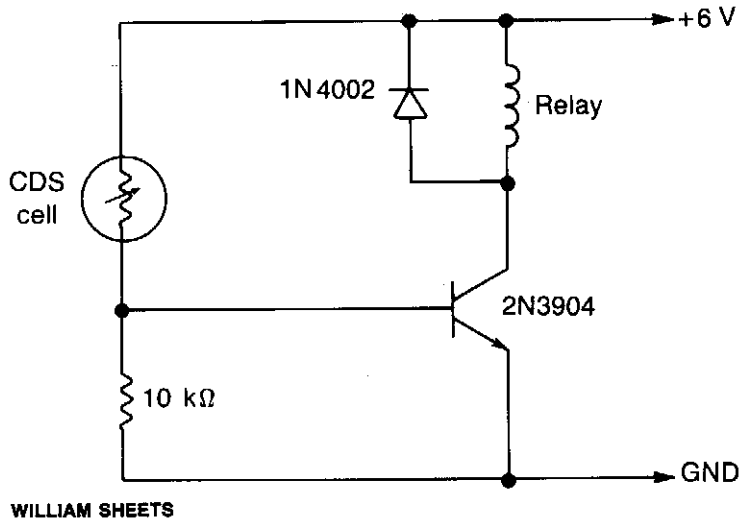
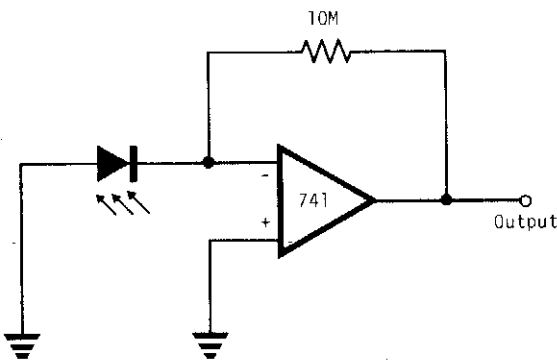


Fig. 51-4

#### Circuit Notes

The CDS cell resistance decreases in the presence of light, turning on the 2N3904 relay driver.

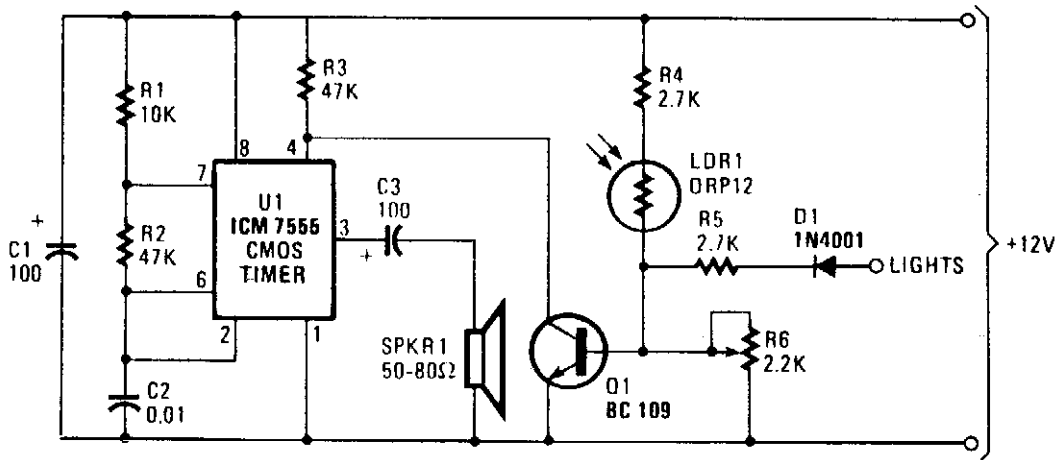
### BACK-BIASED GaAsP LED OPERATES AS LIGHT SENSOR



#### Circuit Notes

Using a simple 741 amplifier connected as a current-to-voltage converter with the LED as the current source, the voltage at the output is proportional to incident light. The junction is biased only by the difference between the summing node junction potential and ground, preventing the possibility of reverse breakdown. The photon-generated current equals the short-circuit current of the junction, which is linearly related to incident light. The sensor requires a level of incident illumination that depends on the degree of opacity of the LED package.

## TWILIGHT-TRIGGERED CIRCUIT



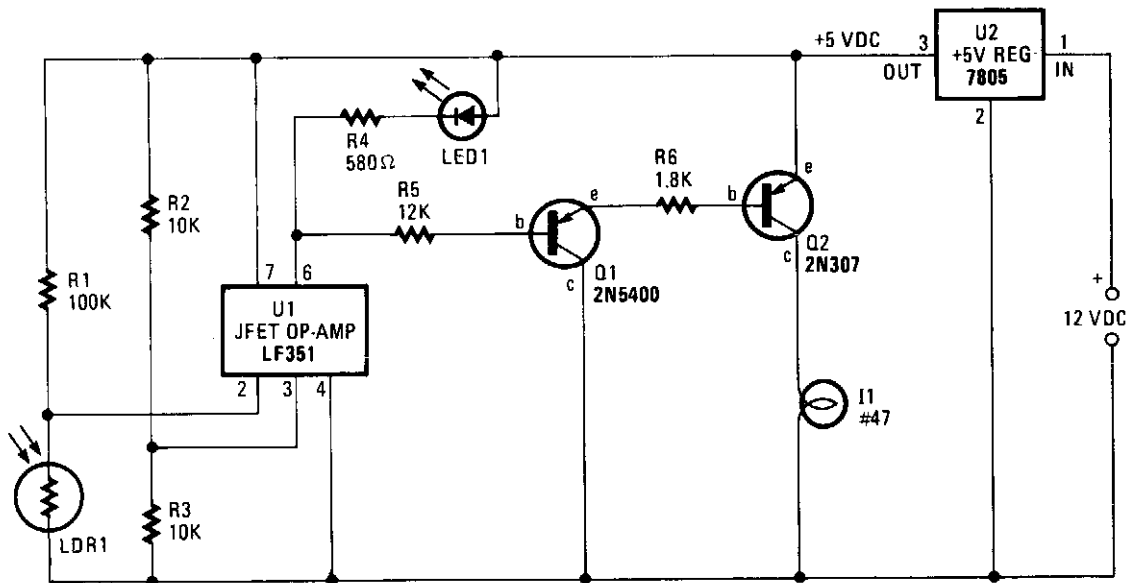
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 51-6

### Circuit Notes

As dusk begins to fall, the sensor (a cadmium-sulfide light-dependent resistor or LDR) operates a small horn to provide an audible reminder that it's time to turn on your lights. To turn the circuit off—simply turn your headlights on and the noise stops. The base of Q1 is fed through a voltage divider formed by R4, LDR1—a light-dependent resistor with an internal resistor of about 100 ohms under bright-light conditions and about 10 megohms in total darkness—potentiometer R6. Q1's base voltage depends on the light level received by LDR1 and the setting of R6. If LDR1 detects a high light level, its resistance decreases, thereby providing a greater base current for Q1, causing it to conduct. When Q1 conducts, pin 4 of U1 is pulled to near ground potential, muting the oscillator. If, on the other hand, LDR1 detects a low light level, its resistance increases (reducing base current to Q1), cutting off the transistor and enabling the oscillator. In actual practice, you set R6 so that at a suitable light level (dusk), the oscillator will sound. The anode of diode D1 connects to the light switch, where it connects to the vehicle's parking lights. With the lights switched off, that point is connected to the negative chassis by way of the parking lamp. That has no effect on the circuit, as D1 blocks any current flow to ground from Q1's base via R6 and the sidelight lamps. When the lights are switched on, the anode of D1 is connected to the positive supply via the parking lamp switch, thereby applying a voltage to the base of Q1, biasing it into conduction. With Q1 conducting, pin 4 of U1 is pulled virtually to ground, disabling the oscillator even though LDR1's resistance is not enough to do so.

## AUTOMATIC MOORING LIGHT



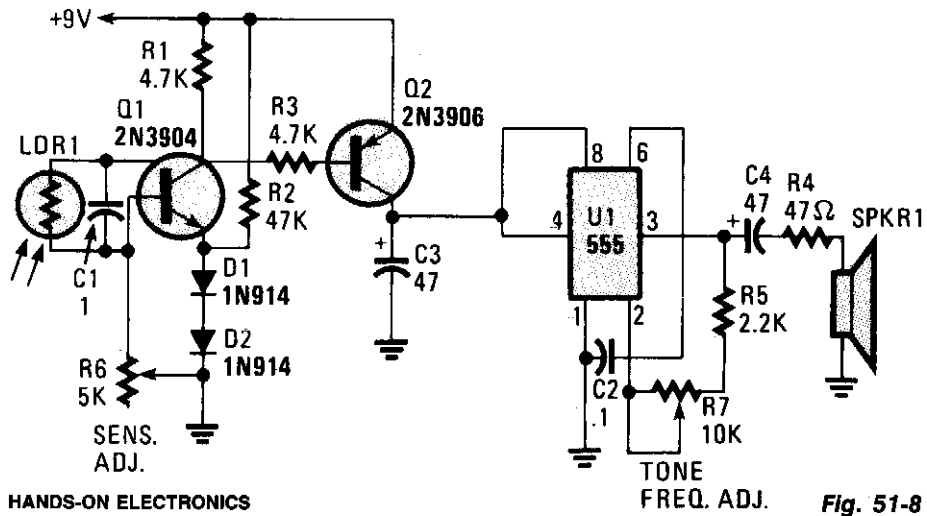
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 51-7

### Circuit Notes

Integrated-circuit U1—an LF351 or 741 op amp—is used as a comparator to control the light. Resistors R2 and R3 provide a reference voltage of about 2.5 volts at pin 3 of U1. When daylight falls on light-dependent resistor LDR1, its resistance is low: about 1000 ohms. In darkness, the LDR's resistance rises to about 1 megohm. Since R1 is 100,000 ohms, and the LDR in daylight is 1000 ohms, the voltage ratio is 100 to 1; the voltage drop across the LDR is less than the 2.5 volt reference voltage and pin 2 of U1 is held at that voltage. In that state, the output at pin 6 of U1 is positive at about 4.5 volts, a value that reverse-biases Q1 to cutoff, which in turn holds Q2 in cutoff, thereby keeping lamp I1 off. When darkness falls, the LDR's resistance rises above R1's value and the voltage at pin 2 of U1 rises above the reference voltage of 2.5 volts. U1's output terminal (pin 6) falls to less than a volt and Q1 is biased on. The base-to-emitter current flow turns Q2 on, which causes current to flow through the lamp. When daylight arrives, the LDR's resistance falls sharply, which causes the lamp to be turned off, ready to repeat the next night/day cycle.

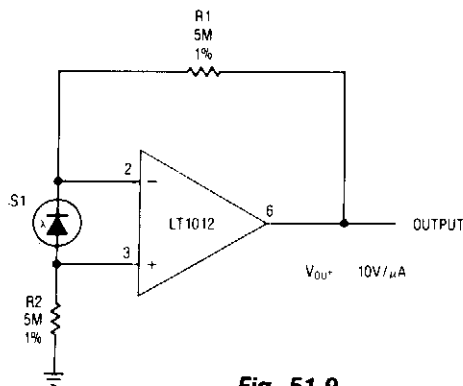
## ELECTRONIC WAKE-UP CALL



### Circuit Notes

A cadmium sulfide photocell (LDR1, which is a light-dependent resistor) is connected to the base and collector of an npn transistor, Q1. When light hits LDR1, the internal resistance goes from a very high (dark) value to a low (light) value, supplying base current to Q1, turning it on. The voltage across R1 produces a bias that turns Q2 on, which in turn, supplies the positive voltage to U1 at pin 8 (the positive-supply input) and pin 4 (the reset input), to operate the 555 audio oscillator circuit. The circuit's sensitivity to light can be set via R6 (a 50,000 ohm potentiometer). R7 sets the audio tone to the most desirable sound. The squarewave audio tone is fed from U1 pin 3 to a small speaker through coupling-capacitor C4 and current limiting resistor R4.

## PHOTODIODE SENSOR AMPLIFIER

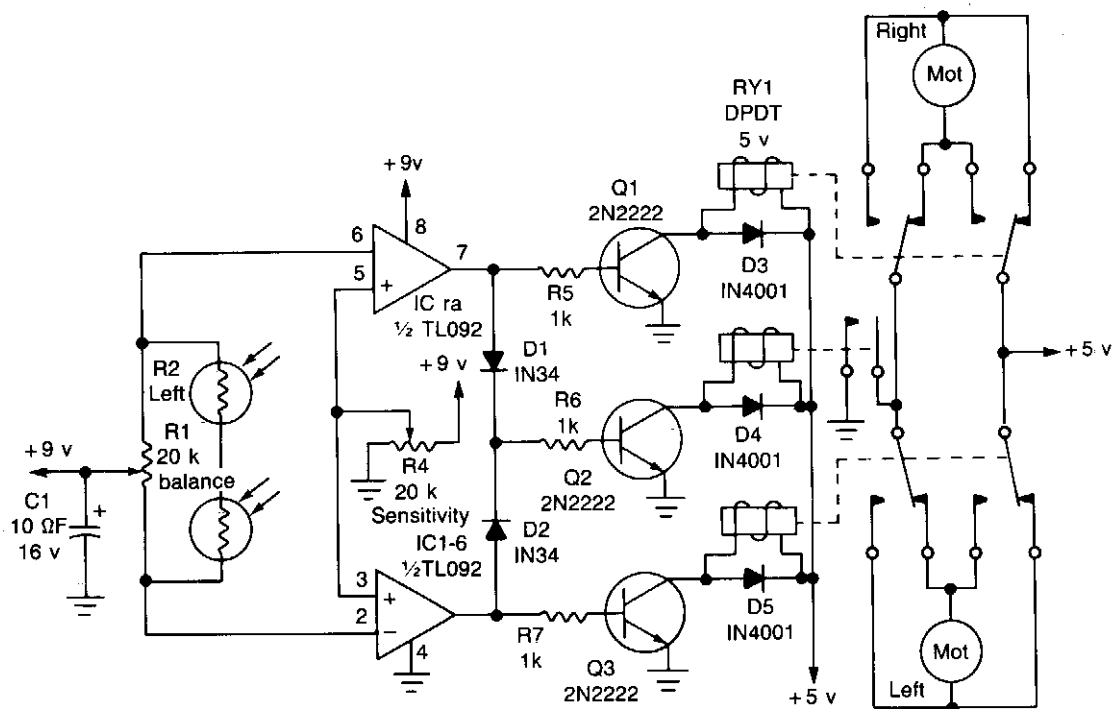


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Fig. 51-9



## LIGHT-SEEKING ROBOT



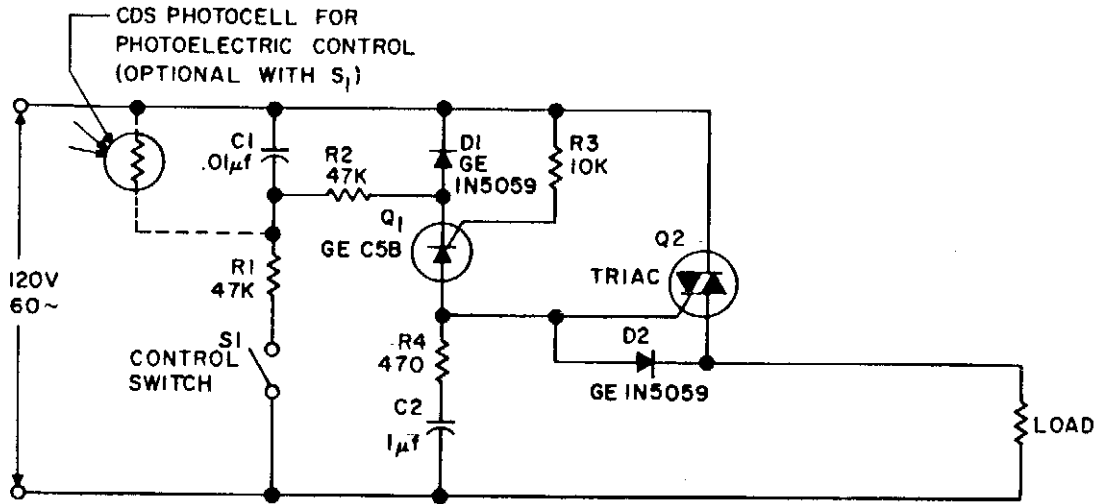
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 51-10

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is light seeking; it will follow a flashlight around a darkened room. A pair of photocells determine the direction in which the robot will move. Each photocell is connected to an op amp configured as a comparator. When sufficient light falls on photocell R2, the voltage at the inverting input (pin 6) of IC1-a will fall below the voltage at the non-inverting input (pin 5), so the output of the comparator will go high, and transistors Q1 and Q2 will turn on. That will enable relays RY1 and RY2, and thereby provide power for the right motor. The robot will then turn left. Likewise, when light falling on R3 lowers its resistance, Q2 and Q3 will turn on, the left motor will energize, and the robot will turn right.

## SYNCHRONOUS PHOTOELECTRIC SWITCH



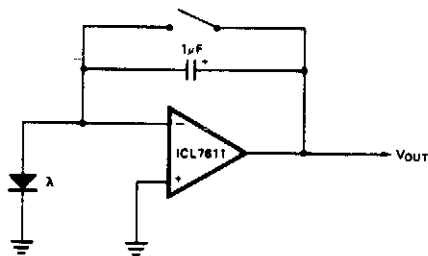
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Fig. 51-11

### Circuit Notes

Synchronous switching is turning on only at the instant the ac supply voltage passes through zero, and turning off only when current passes through zero. This circuit provides this function in response to either a mechanical switch or a variable resistance such as a cadmium-sulfide photocell. This circuit produces the minimum disturbance to the power supply when switching, and always conducts an integral number of whole cycles. It is ideal for use wherever RFI and audio filtering is undesirable, where magnetizing inrush current of transformers causes nuisance fuse-blowing, and where sensitive equipment must operate in the vicinity of power switches.

## PHOTOCURRENT INTEGRATOR



### Circuit Notes

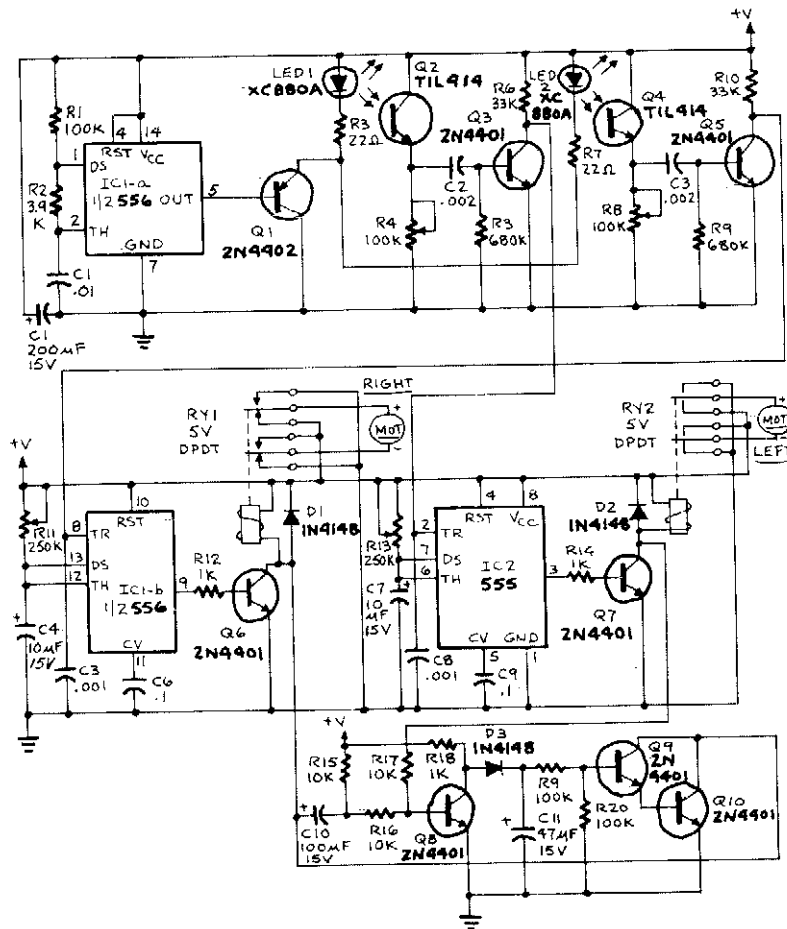
Low leakage currents allow integration times up to several hours.

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Fig. 51-12

## ROBOT EYES



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Fig. 51-13

### Circuit Notes

An infrared LED and a phototransistor are used for each eye. Half of a 556 timer IC (IC1-a) functions as an astable multivibrator oscillating at a frequency of about 1 kHz. That IC drives transistor Q1 which in turn drives the two infrared LED's, LED1 and LED2. The right eye is composed of LED1 and Q2. If an obstacle appears in front of the right eye, pulses from LED1 are reflected by the obstacle and detected by Q2. The signal from Q2 is amplified by Q3, which triggers IC2, a 555. That IC operates in the monostable mode, and it provides a pulse output with a width of as much as 2.75 seconds, depending on the setting of R11. That pulse output energizes relay RY1, and that reverses the polarity of the voltage applied to the motor. Corresponding portions of the circuit of the left eye operate in the same fashion, using the unused half of the 556 (IC1-b). That action causes the robot to turn away from an obstacle.

## MODULATED LIGHT-BEAM CIRCUIT CANCELS AMBIENT LIGHT EFFECTS

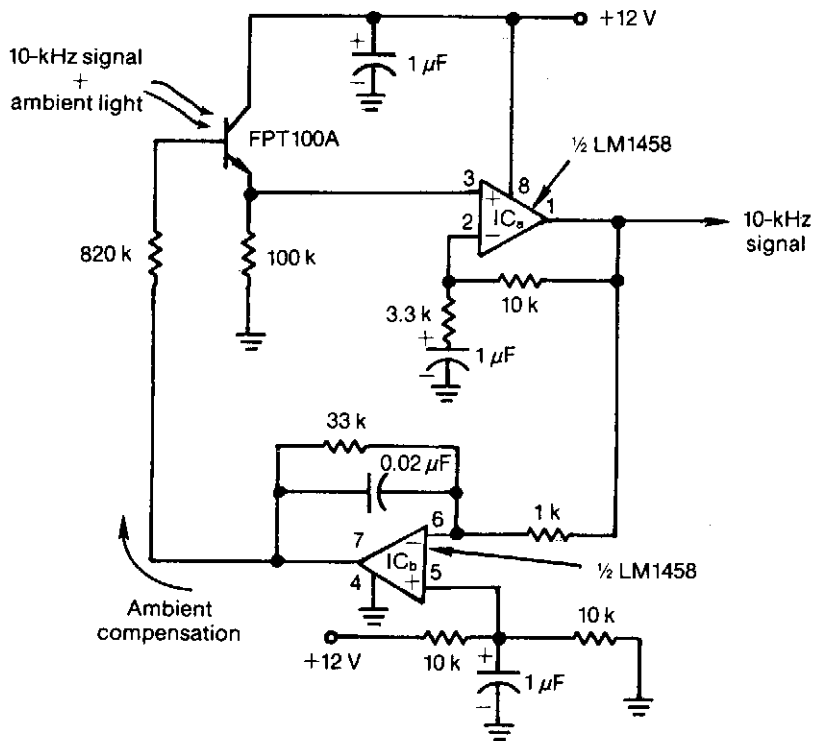


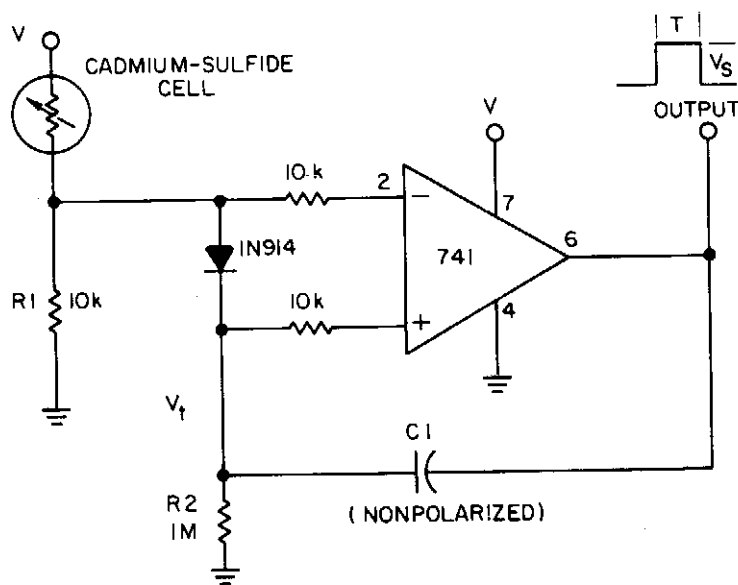
Fig. 51-14

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

### Circuit Notes

Feedback control of the phototransistor in this optical detector helps negate the effects of varying ambient light sources. The output of a modulated visible-light LED is detected, amplified, buffered, and fed through a low-pass filter. Ambient light signals below the LED's 10-kHz modulating rate reach the detector's base out of phase with incoming ambient light and cancel the undesired effects.

## MONOSTABLE PHOTOCELL CIRCUIT HAS SELF-ADJUSTING TRIGGER LEVEL



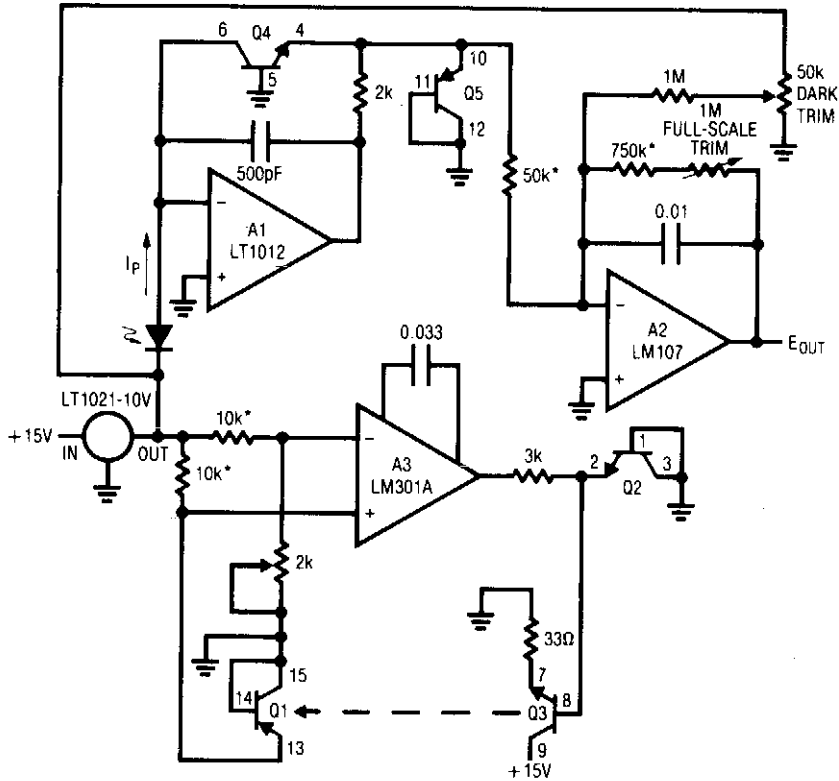
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 51-15

### Circuit Notes

A photocell circuit provides automatic threshold adjustment. Monostable action prevents undesired retriggering of the output. With only one op amp IC, the circuit offers: Automatic adjustment of its trigger level to accommodate various light sources, changes in ambient light and misalignments; A built-in monostable action to provide only a single output pulse during a preset time; Feedback action to raise the threshold level after triggering and to speed switching. The feedback also eliminates the circuit's tendency to oscillate during switching.

## THERMALLY STABILIZED PIN PHOTODIODE SIGNAL CONDITIONER



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

Fig. 51-16

### Circuit Notes

The photodiode specified responds linearly to light intensity over a 100 dB range. Digitizing the diode's linearly amplified output would require an A-D converter with 17 bits of range. This requirement can be eliminated by logarithmically compressing the diode's output in the signal conditioning circuitry. A1 and Q4 convert the diode's photocurrent to voltage output with a logarithmic transfer function. A2 provides offsetting and additional gain. A3 and its associated components form a temperature control loop

| LIGHT (900 $\mu$ M) | RESPONSE DATA |                |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
|                     | DIODE CURRENT | CIRCUIT OUTPUT |
| 1mW                 | 350 $\mu$ A   | 10.0V          |
| 100 $\mu$ W         | 35 $\mu$ A    | 7.85V          |
| 10 $\mu$ W          | 3.5 $\mu$ A   | 5.70V          |
| 1 $\mu$ W           | 350nA         | 3.55V          |
| 100nW               | 35nA          | 1.40V          |
| 10nW                | 3.5nA         | -0.75V         |



= HP-5082-4204 PIN PHOTODIODE.

Q1-Q5 = CA3096.

CONNECT SUBSTRATE OF CA3096

ARRAY TO Q4'S EMITTER.

\* 1% RESISTOR

which maintains Q4 at constant temperature (all transistors in this circuit are part of a CA3096 monolithic array). The 0.033  $\mu$ F value at A3's compensation pins gives good loop damping if the circuit is built using the array's transistors in the location shown. Because of the array die's small size, response is quick and clean. A full-scale step requires only 250 ms to settle to final value. To use this circuit, first set the thermal control loop. To do this, ground Q3's base and set the 2 k pot so A3's negative input voltage is 55 mV above its positive input. This places the servo's setpoint at about 50°C (25°C ambient + (2.2 mV/°C  $\times$  25°C rise = 55 mV = 50°C). Unground Q3's base and the array will come to temperature. Next, place the photodiode in a completely dark environment and adjust the "dark trim" so A2's output is 0 V. Finally, apply or electrically simulate 1 mW of light and set the "full-scale" trim for 10 V out. Once adjusted, this circuit responds logarithmically to light inputs from 10nW to 1mW with an accuracy limited by the diode's 1% error.

# 52

## Logic Amplifiers

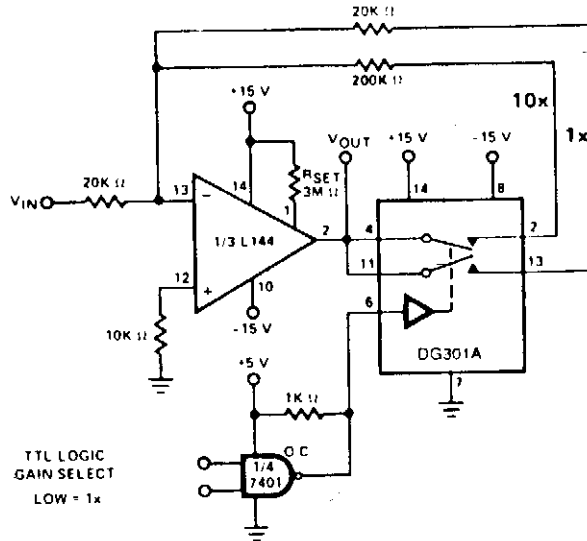
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

- Low Power Inverting Amplifier with Digitally Selectable Gain
- Low Power Binary to  $10^N$  Gain Low Frequency Amplifier
- Low Power Non-Inverting Amplifier with Digitally Selectable Inputs and Gain
- Programmable Amplifier
- A Precision Amplifier with Digitally Programmable Inputs and Gains



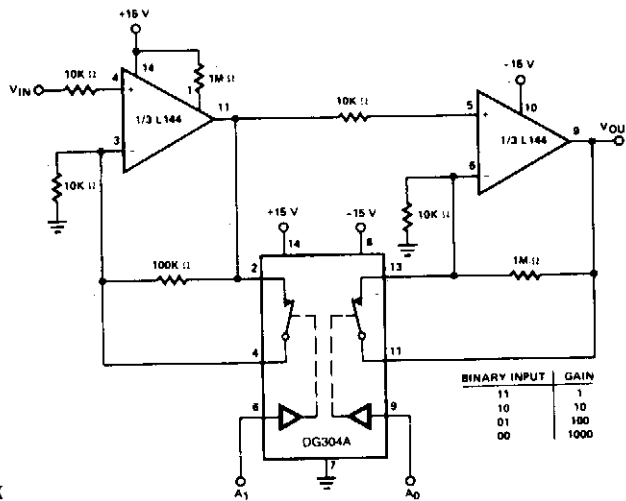
## LOW POWER INVERTING AMPLIFIER WITH DIGITALLY SELECTABLE GAIN



SILICONIX

Fig. 52-1

## LOW POWER BINARY TO $10^n$ GAIN LOW FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER



SILICONIX

Fig. 52-2

### Circuit Notes

Gain increases by decades as the binary input decreases from 1,1 to 0,0. Minimum gain is 1 and maximum gain is 1000. Since the switch is static in this type of amplifier the power dissipation of the switch will be less than a tenth of a milliwatt.

## LOW POWER NON-INVERTING AMPLIFIER WITH DIGITALLY SELECTABLE INPUTS AND GAIN

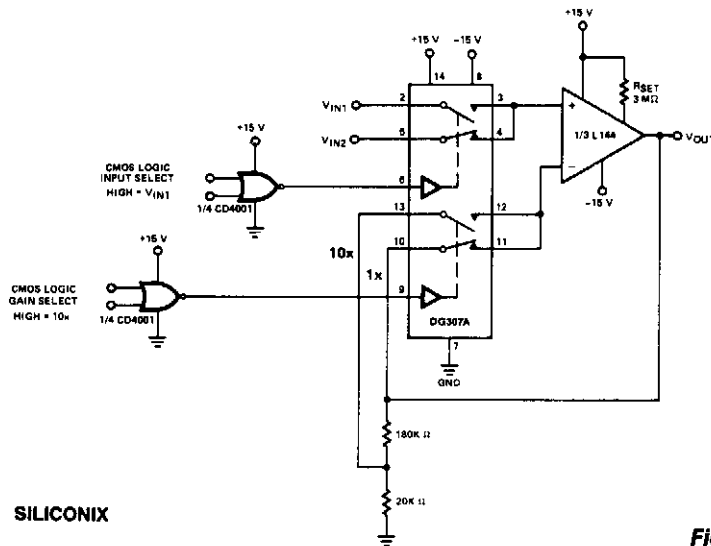


Fig. 52-3

## PROGRAMMABLE AMPLIFIER

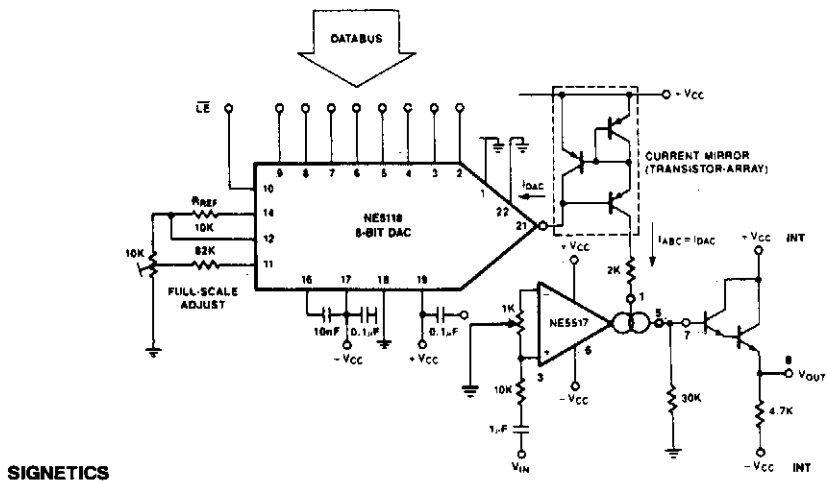
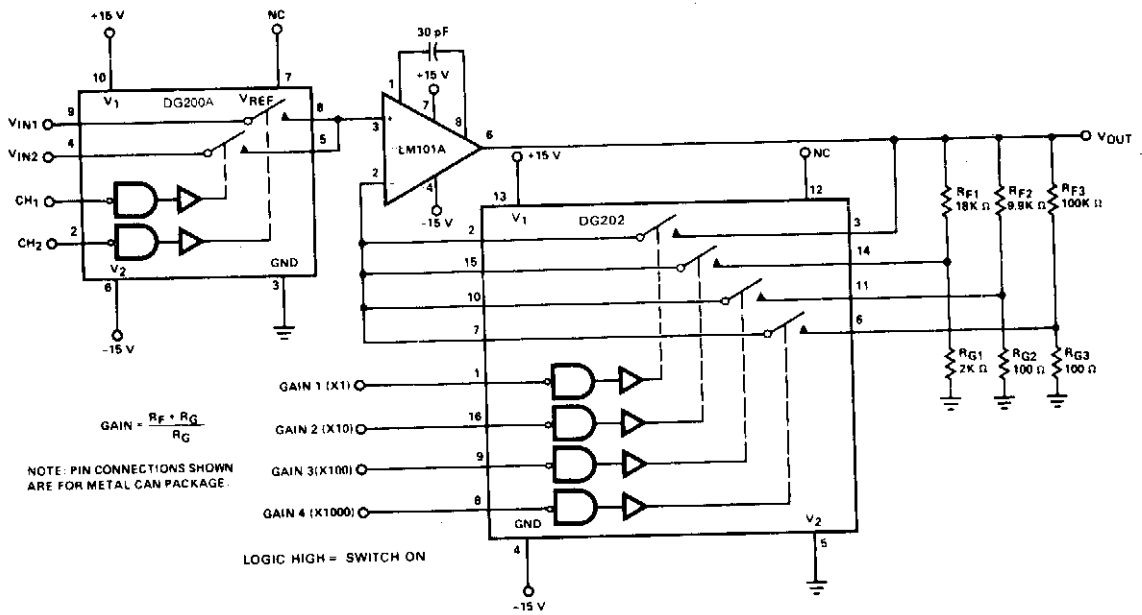


Fig. 52-4

### Circuit Notes

The intention of the following application shows how the NE5517 works in connection with a DAC. In the application, the NE5118 is used—an 8-bit DAC with current output—its input register making this device fully  $\mu$ P-compatible. The circuit consists of three functional blocks; the NE5118 which generates a control current equivalent to the applied data byte, a current mirror, and the NE5517.

## A PRECISION AMPLIFIER WITH DIGITALLY PROGRAMMABLE INPUTS AND GAIN



SILICONIX

Fig. 52-5

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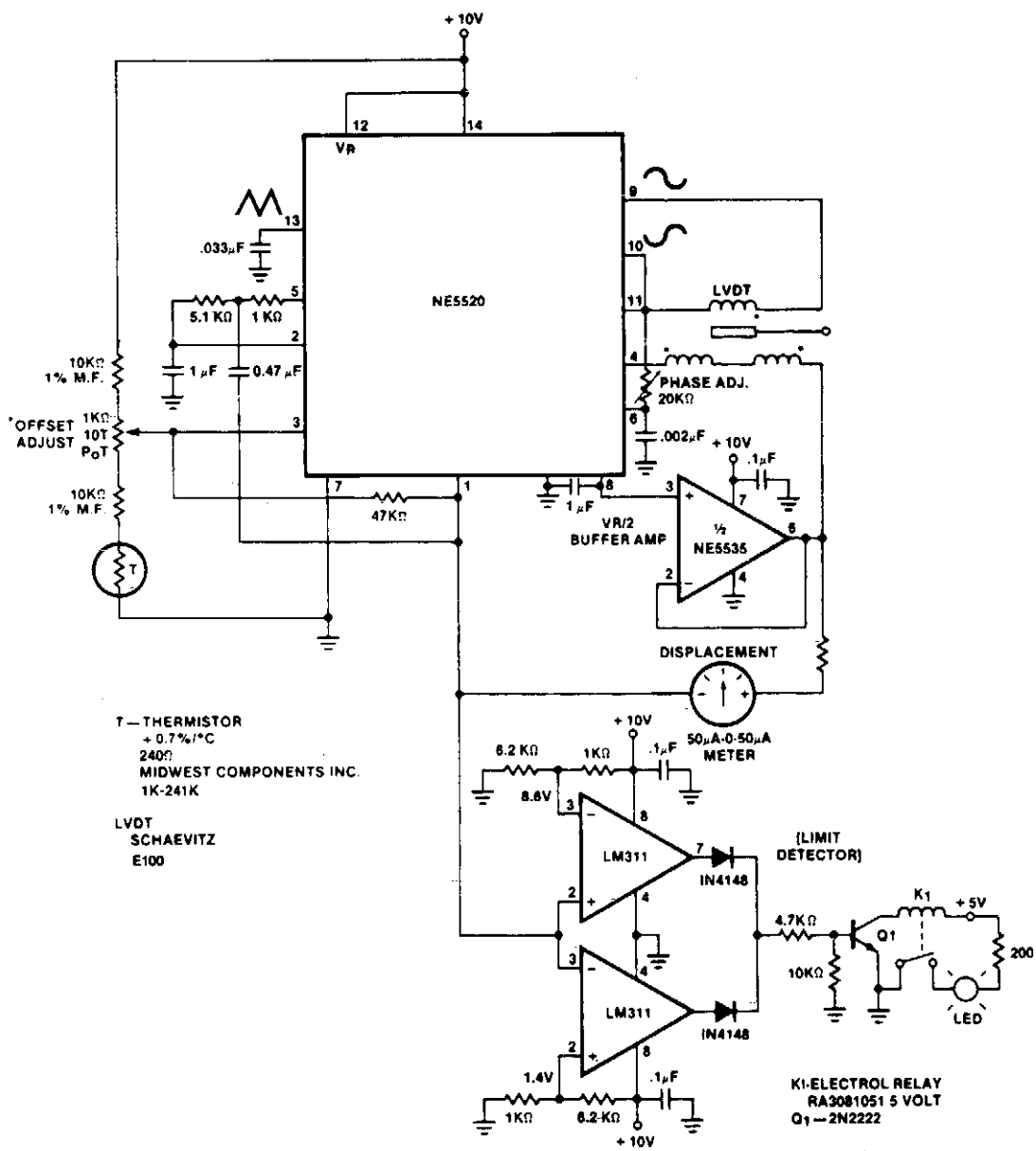
## LVDT Circuits

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LVDT Driver Demodulator  
Linear Variable Differential Transformer Signal  
Conditioner

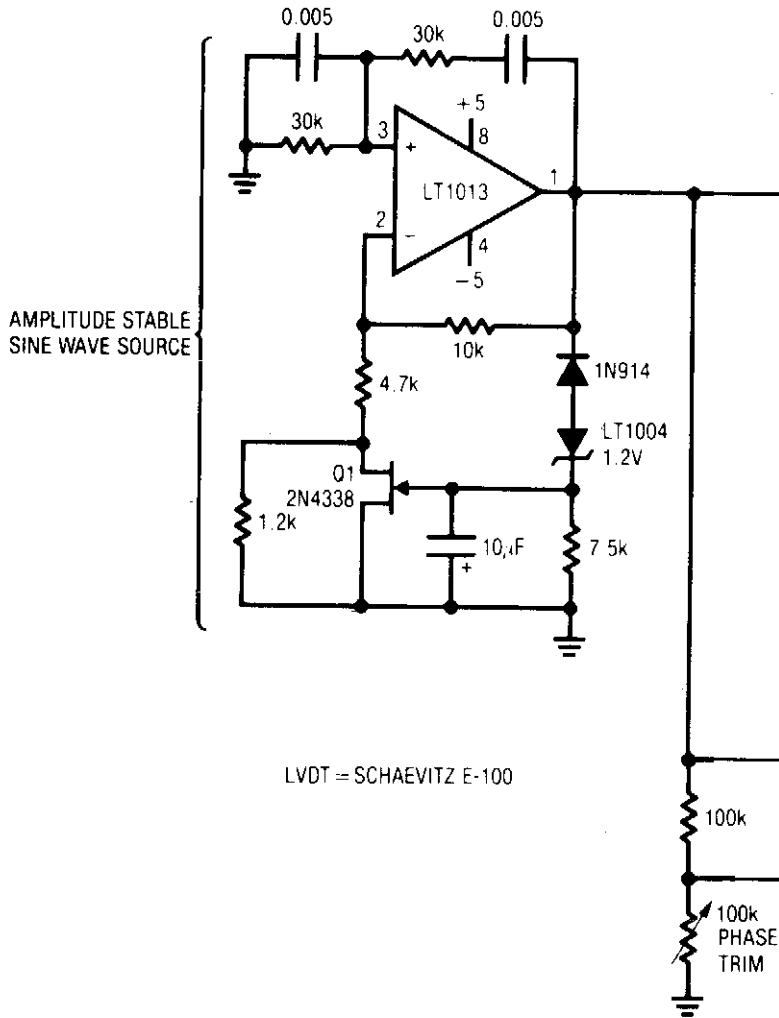
# LVDT DRIVER DEMODULATOR



SIGNETICS

Fig. 53-1

## LINEAR VARIABLE DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMER SIGNAL CONDITIONER

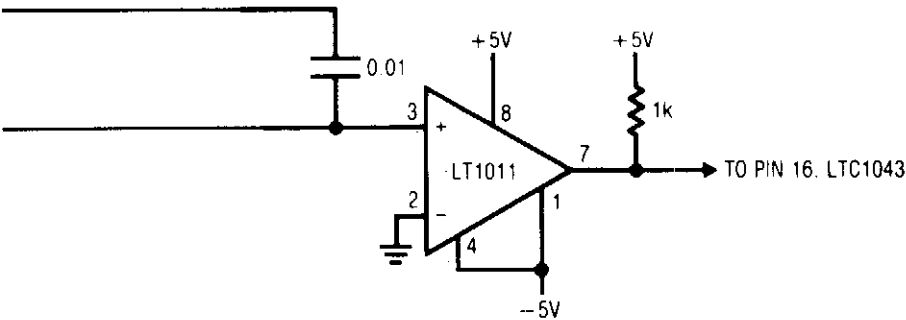
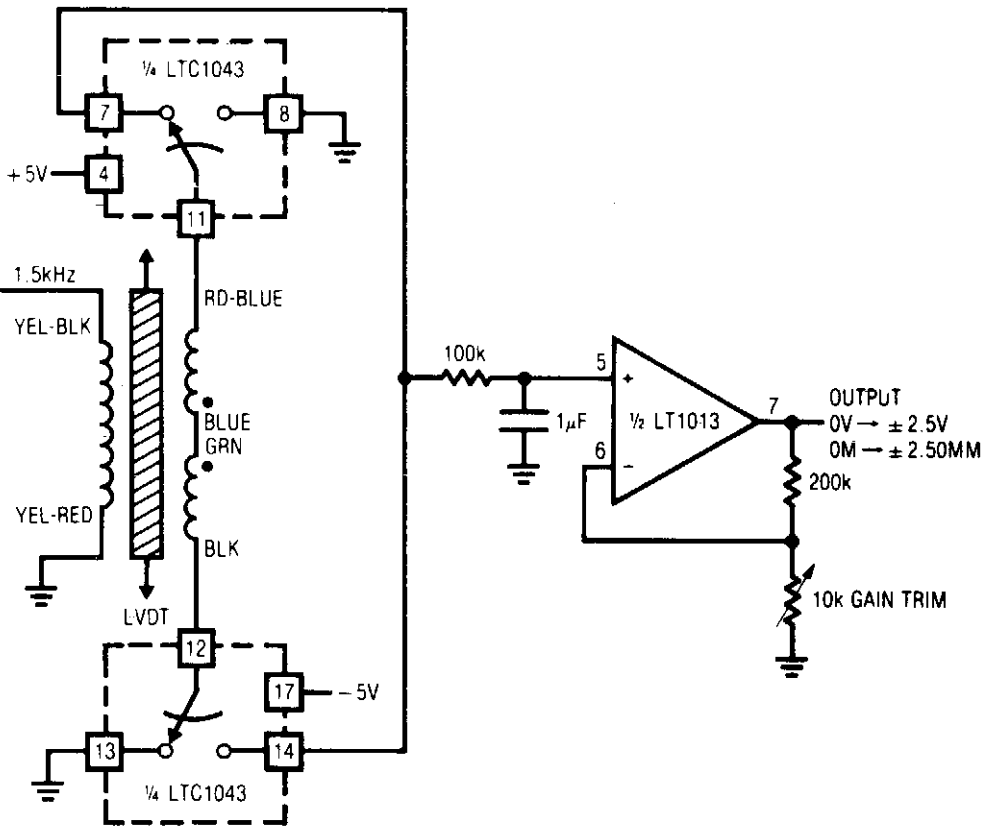


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Fig. 53-2

### Circuit Notes

A1 and its associated components furnish an amplitude stable sine wave source. A1's positive feedback path is a Wein bridge, tuned for 1.5 kHz, Q1, the LT1004 reference, and additional components in A1's negative loop unity-gain stabilize the amplifier. A1's output an amplitude stable sine wave, drives the LVDT. C1 detects zero crossings and feeds the LTC1043 clock pin. A speed-up network at C1's input compensates LVDT phase shift, synchronizing the LTC1043's clock to the transformer's output zero



crossings. The LTC1043 alternately connects each end of the transformer to ground, resulting in positive half-wave rectification at pins 7 and 14. These points are summed at a low-pass filter which feeds A2. A2 furnishes gain scaling and the circuit's output. The LTC1043's synchronized clocking means the information presented to the low-pass filter is amplitude and phase sensitive. The circuit output indicates how far the core is from center and on which side. To calibrate this circuit, center the LVDT core in the transformer and adjust the phase trim for 0 V output. Next, move the core to either extreme position and set the gain trim for 2.50 V output.

# 54

## Measuring and Test Circuits

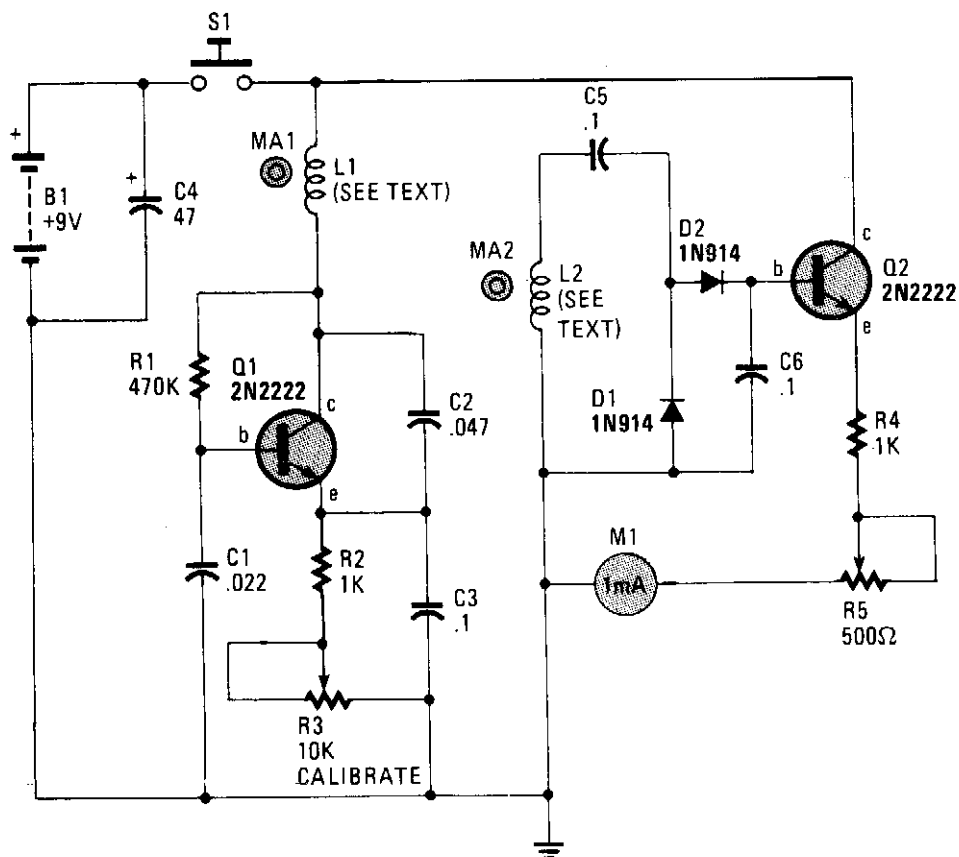
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Magnetometer  
Resistance-Ratio Detector  
Continuity Tester for PCB's  
Wire Tracer  
Diode Testing  
Measuring Phase Difference from  $0^\circ$  to  $\pm 180^\circ$   
Ground Tester  
Making Slow Logic Pulses Audible  
Unidirectional Motion Sensor



## MAGNETOMETER



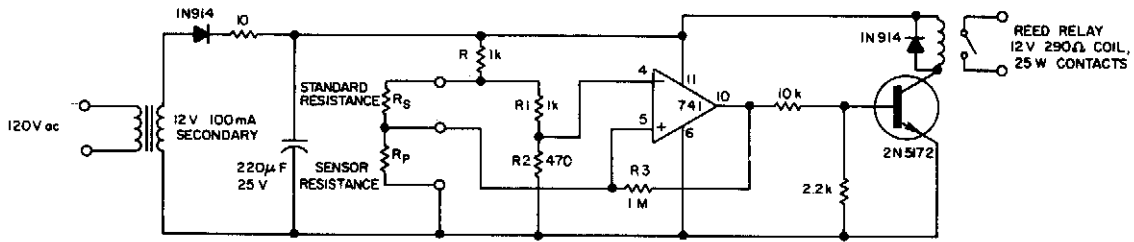
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 54-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses two general-purpose npn transistors, Q1 and Q2, and a special hand-wound, dual-coil probe ferrets out the magnetism. Q1 and its associated components form a simple VLF oscillator circuit, with L1, C2, and C3 setting the frequency. The VLF signal received by the pickup coil, L2, is passed through C5 and rectified by diodes D1 and D2. The small dc signal output from the rectifier is fed to the base of Q2 (configured as an emitter follower), which is then fed to a 0-1 mA meter, M1.

## RESISTANCE-RATIO DETECTOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 54-2

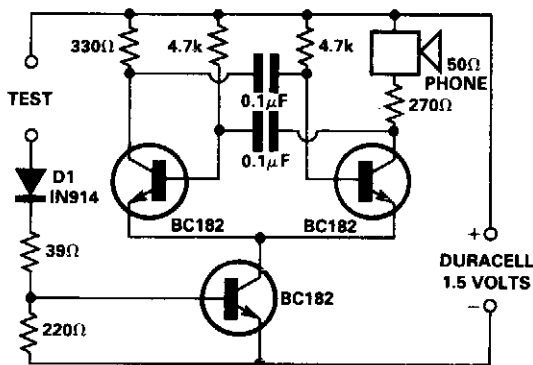
### Circuit Notes

Applications such as photoelectric control, temperature detection and moisture sensing require a circuit that can accurately detect a given resistance ratio. A simple technique that uses an op amp as a sensing element can provide 0.5% accuracy with low parts cost. The reed-relay contacts close when the resistance of the sensor  $R_p$  equals 47% of the standard  $R_s$ . Adjusting either  $R_1$  or  $R_2$  provides a variable threshold; the threshold is controlled by varying  $R_3$ . For the most part, the type of resistors used for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  determines the accuracy and stability of the circuit. With metal-film resistors, less than 0.5% change in ratio sensing occurs over the commercial temperature range (0 to 70 C) with ac input variations from 105 to 135 V.

## CONTINUITY TESTER FOR PCB'S

### Circuit Notes

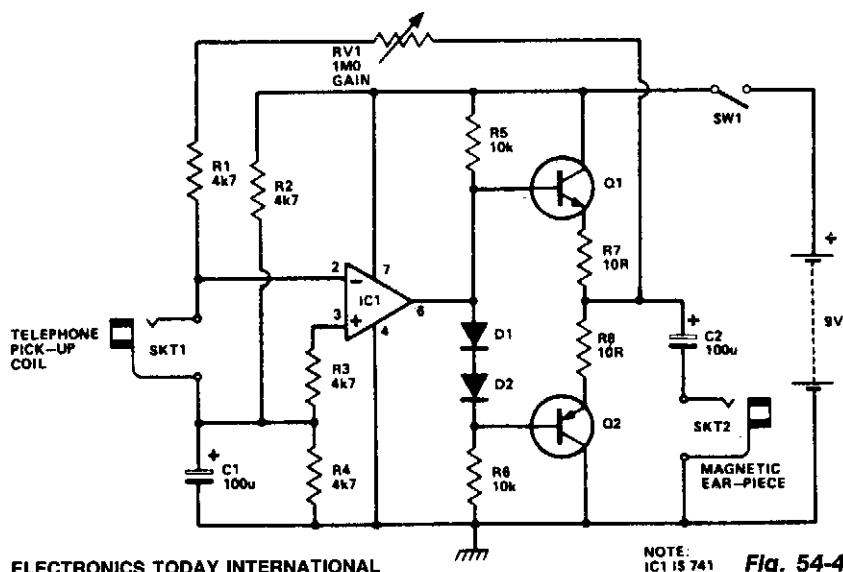
The continuity tester is for tracing wiring on printed circuit boards. It only consumes any appreciable power when the test leads are shorted, so no On/Off switch is used or required. The applied voltage at the test terminals is insufficient to turn on diodes or other semiconductors. Resistors below 50 ohms act as short circuit; above 100 ohms as open circuit. The circuit is a simple multivibrator—T1 and T2, which are switched on by transistor T3. The components in the base of T3 are D1, R1, R2, and the test resistance. With a 1.5 volt supply, there is insufficient voltage to turn on a semiconductor connected to the test terminals. The phone is a telephone earpiece but a 30 ohm speaker would work equally as well.



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Fig. 54-3

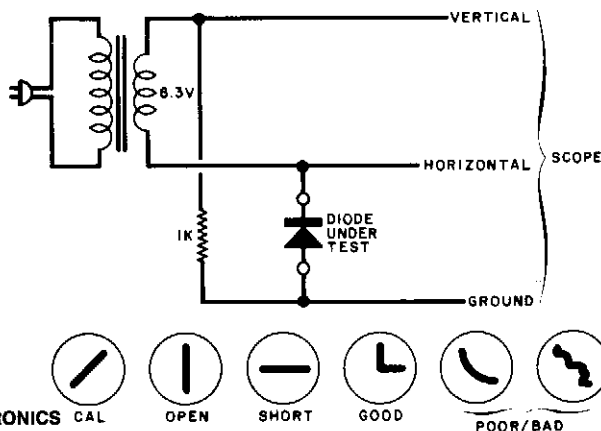
## WIRE TRACER



### Circuit Notes

The tracer detects the weak magnetic field of any current-carrying house wiring and amplifies this signal to a level that is adequate for driving a magnetic earpiece. The unit uses a telephone pick-up coil to detect the magnetic field.

## DIODE TESTING

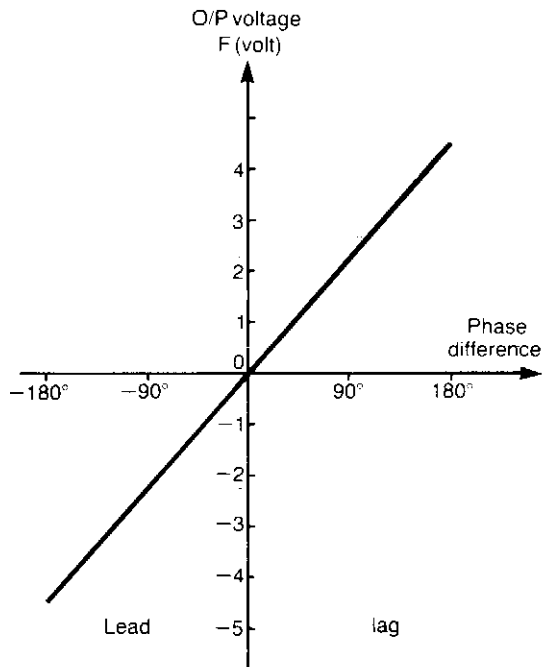
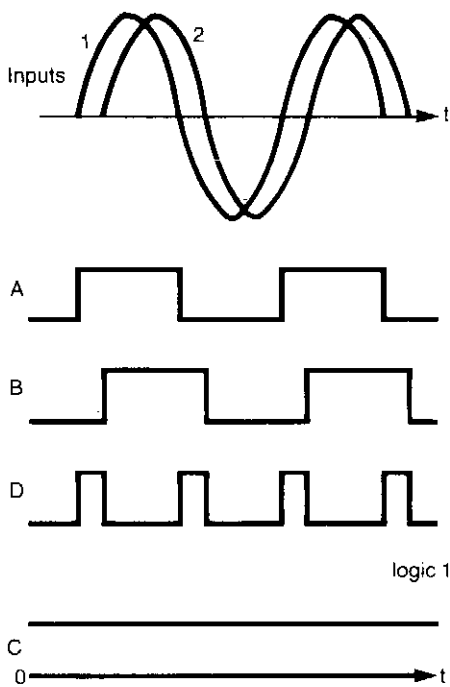
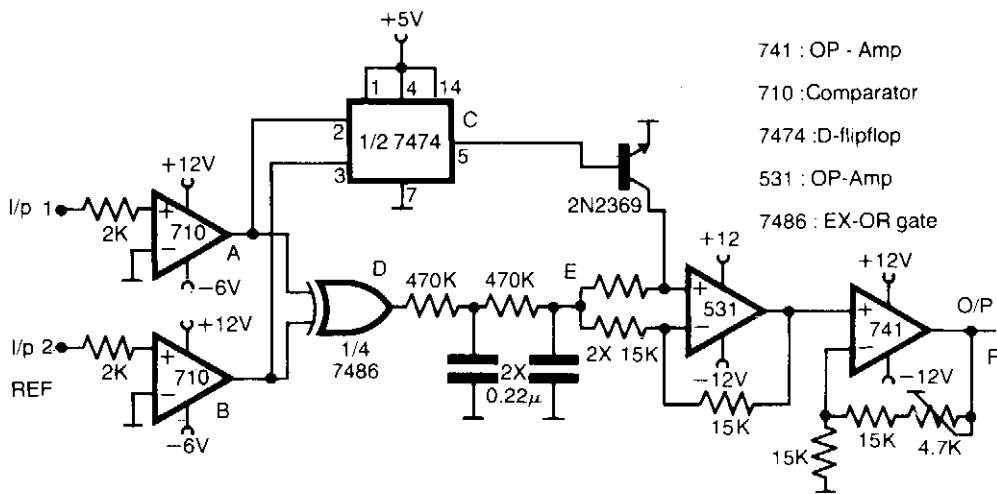


**Fig. 54-5**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will display curves on a scope, contingent on the state of the diode. To "calibrate," substitute a 1000-ohm resistor for the diode and adjust the scope gains for a 45-degree line. The drawings show some expected results.

## MEASURING PHASE DIFFERENCE FROM 0° to ±180°

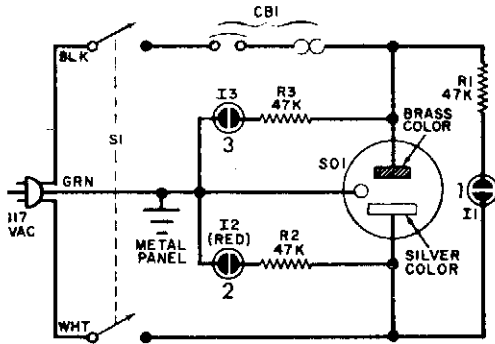


## MEASURING PHASE DIFFERENCE FROM 0° to ±180°, Continued.

### Circuit Notes

This method is capable of measuring phase between 0 to ±180°. The generated square waves A and B are fed to a D flip-flop which gives an output C equal to logic 1 when input 1 leads input 2 and equal to logic 0 in case of lagging. When C = logic 0, the output of the amplifier F will be positive proportional to the average value E of the output of the EX-OR. When C = logic 1, F will be negative and also proportional to E by the same factor. Hence, the output of the meter is positive in case of lagging and negative for leading. The circuit is tested for sinusoidal inputs and indicates a linearity within 1%. Measurements are unaffected by the frequency of the inputs up to 75 kHz.

## GROUND TESTER



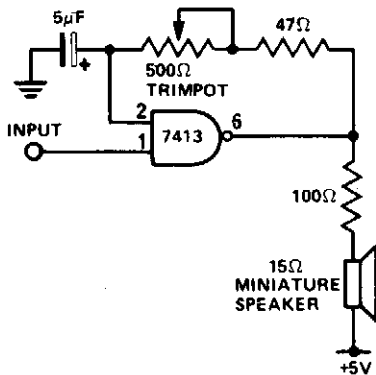
### Circuit Notes

The circuit is simple and foolproof if wired correctly. Under normal conditions, only lamps 1 and 3 should be lit. If lamp 2 comes on, the cold lead is 117 volts above ground.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 54-7

## MAKING SLOW LOGIC PULSES AUDIBLE



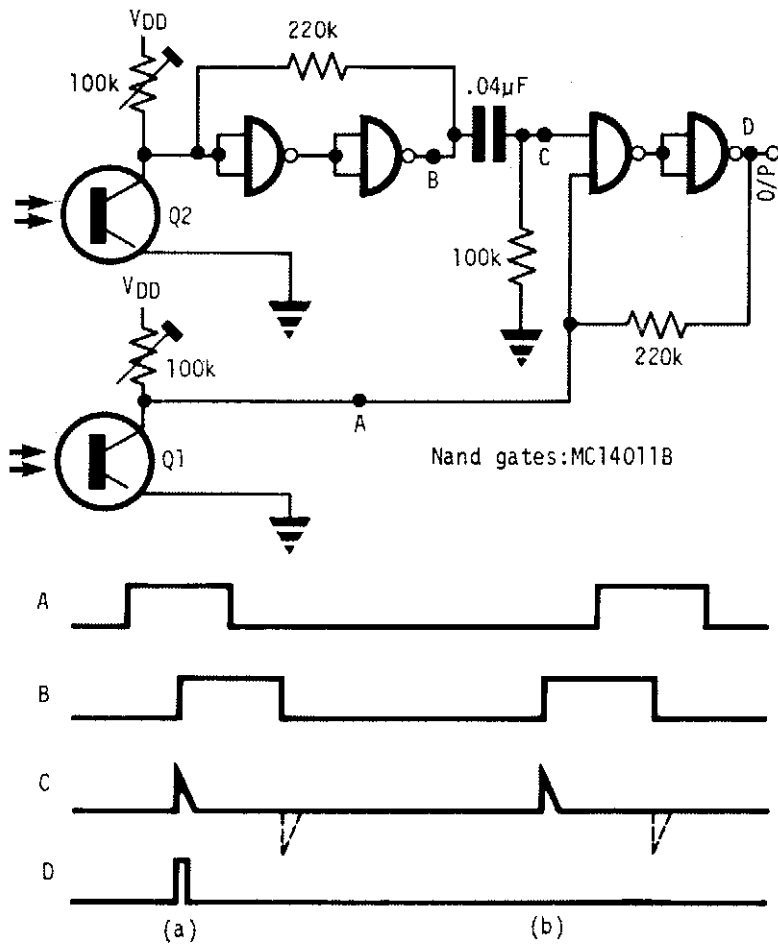
### Circuit Notes

This circuit is useful for monitoring slow logic pulses as a keying monitor or digital clock alarm. The Schmitt trigger is connected as an oscillator. The trimpot controls the pitch of the output. When the input goes high, the circuit will oscillate.

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Fig. 54-8

## UNIDIRECTIONAL MOTION SENSOR



ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

Fig. 54-9

### Circuit Notes

This circuit detects an object passing in one direction but ignores it going the opposite way. Two sensors define the sense of direction. The object blocks the light to phototransistor Q1 or Q2 first dependent on the direction of approach. When the object passes Q1 then Q2, an output pulse is generated at D; while no pulse is seen at D as the object passes Q2 then Q1. Object length (measured along the direction of the two sensors) should be greater than the separation of the two sensors Q1 and Q2.

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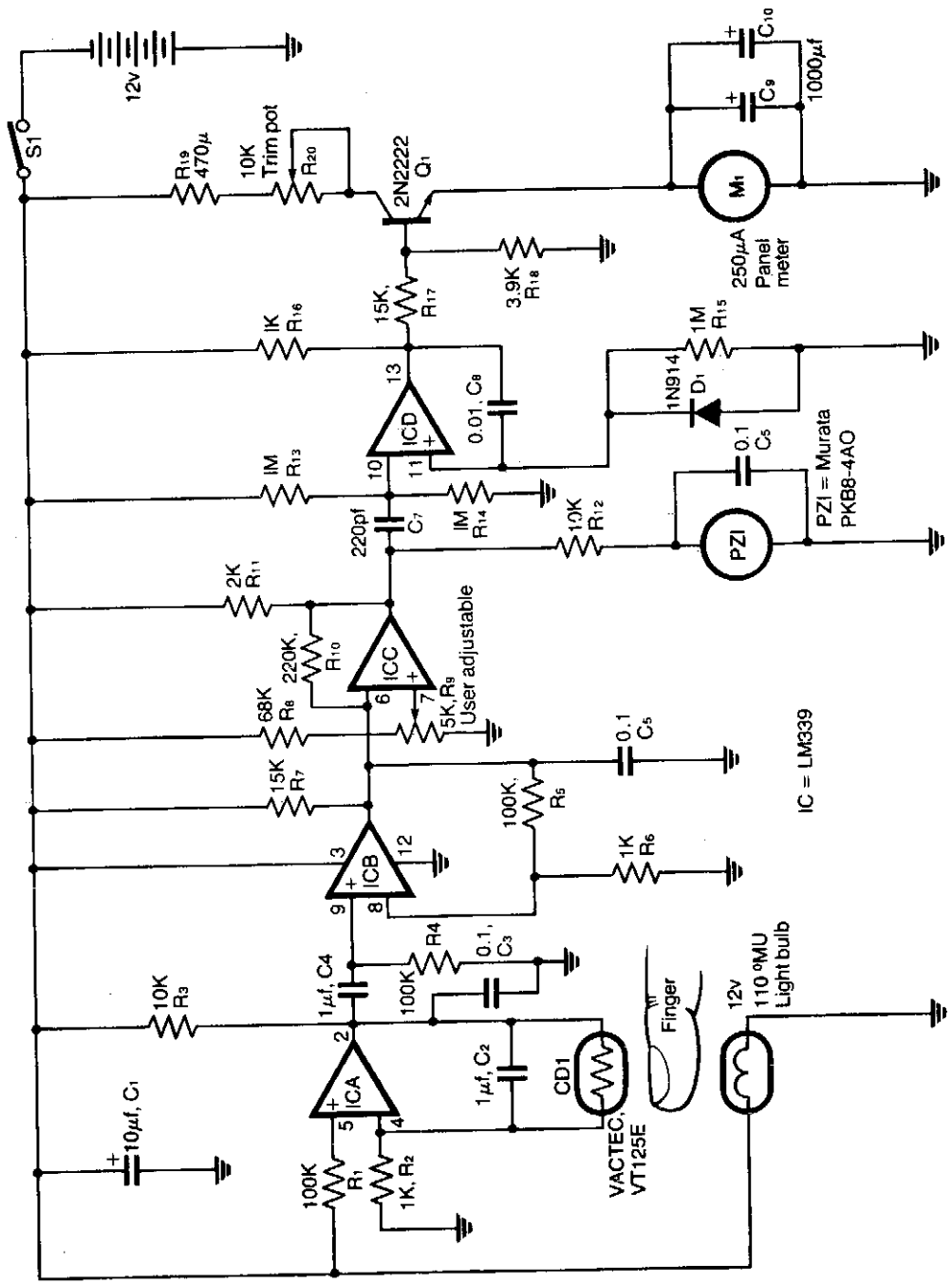
## Medical Electronics Circuits

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Heart Rate Monitor  
Medical Instrument Preamplifier

# HEART RATE MONITOR



IC = LM339

Fig. 55-1

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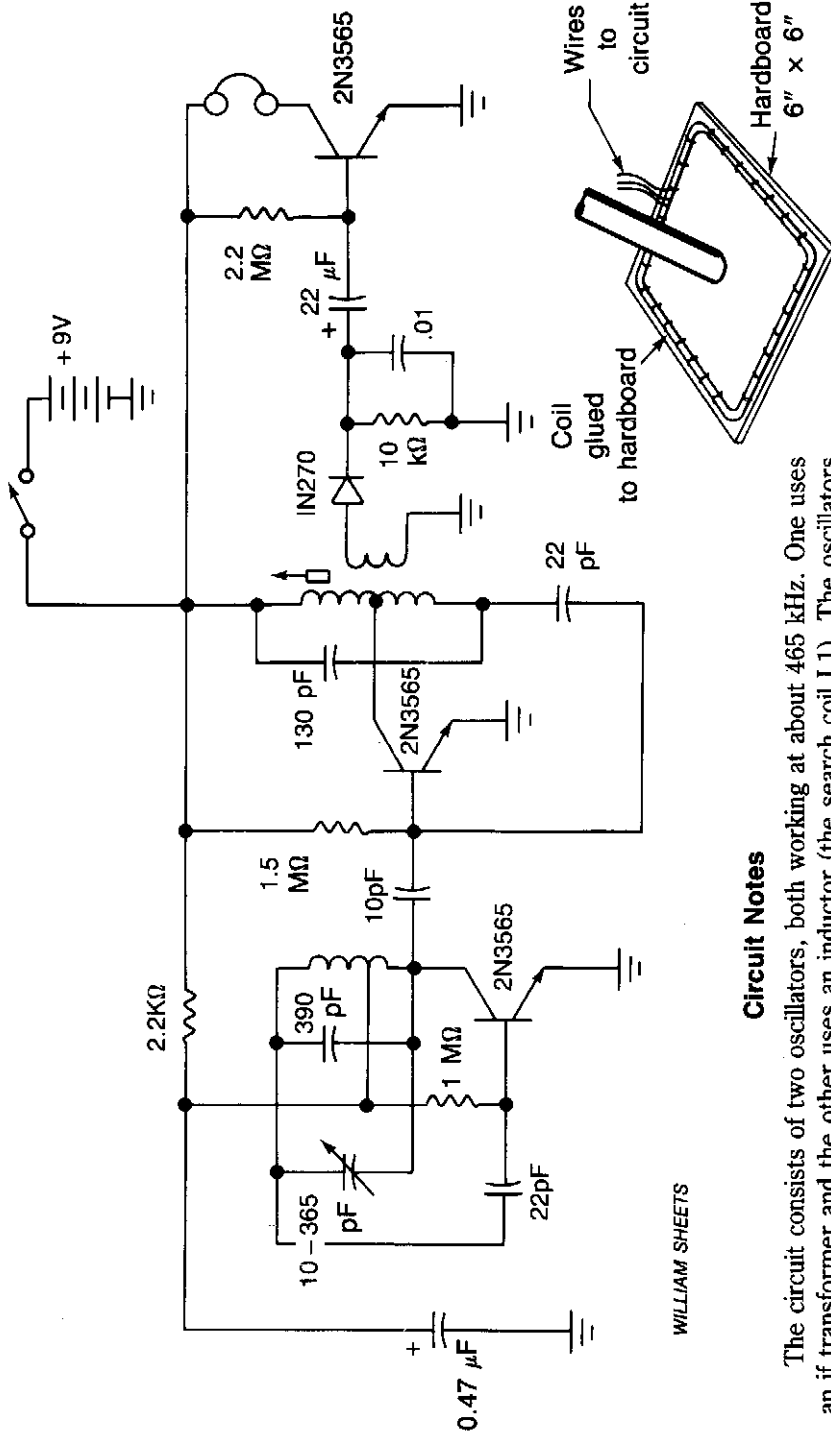
## Metal Detectors

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Metal Locator II  
Metal Locator

## METAL LOCATOR II



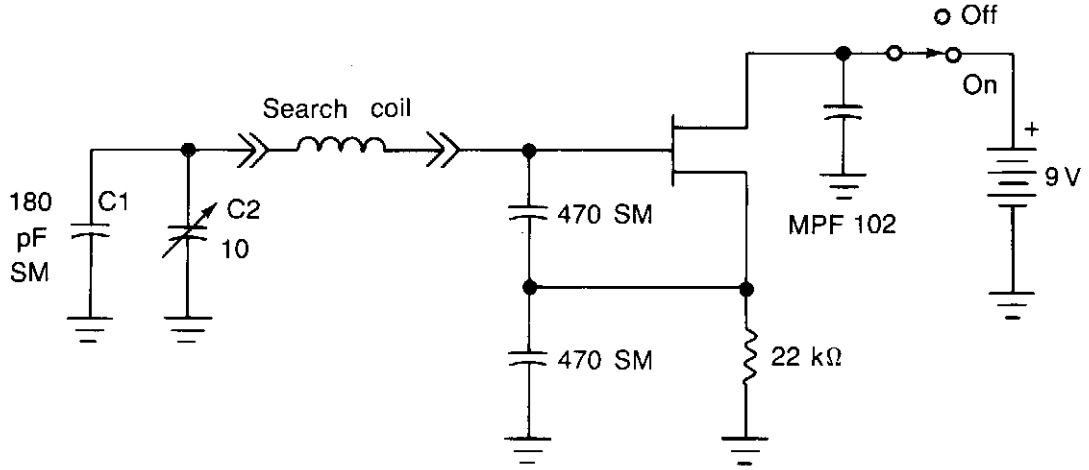
WILLIAM SHEETS

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of two oscillators, both working at about 465 kHz. One uses an if transformer and the other uses an inductor (the search coil L1). The oscillators are coupled by a capacitor (10 pF). A beat note (produced if the two oscillators are working closely together) is detected by the diode and fed to the headphone amplifier and the 22 μF capacitor. The search coil oscillator is tuned by a 10-365 pf variable capacitor. The search coil comprises 22 turns of wire (any gauge between 24 swg and 36 swg enamel) center tapped. The wire should be wound on a temporary form then taped and glued to a piece of hardboard. The coil size should be about 6" x 6". Headphones should be high impedance.

Fig. 56-1

## METAL LOCATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 56-2

### Circuit Notes

The search coil, C1 and C2 form a tuned circuit for the oscillator which is tuned near the center of the broadcast band. Tune a portable radio to a station near the middle of the band, then tune C2 until a squeal is heard as the two signals mix to produce a beat (heterodyne) note. Metal near the search coil will detune the circuit slightly, changing the pitch of the squeal. The search coil is 20 turns of number 30 enameled wire, wound on a 6" × 8" wood or plastic form. It is affixed at the end of a 30" to 40" wooden or plastic pole, and connected to the remainder of the metal detector circuit through a coaxial cable.

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## Metronomes

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Simple Metronome  
Metronome I  
Ac-Line Operated Unijunction Metronome  
Metronome II

## SIMPLE METRONOME

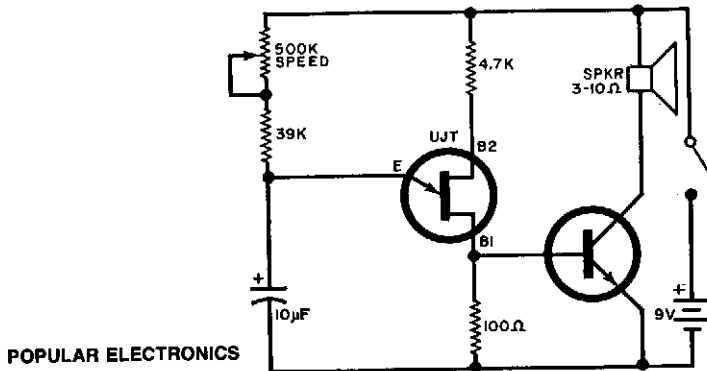


Fig. 57-1

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

### Circuit Notes

Adjustable from 15 to 240 beats per minute. The UJT oscillator output is applied to a general purpose npn transistor which drives the speaker.

UJT = 2N4871

NPNxistor = TIP31

## METRONOME I

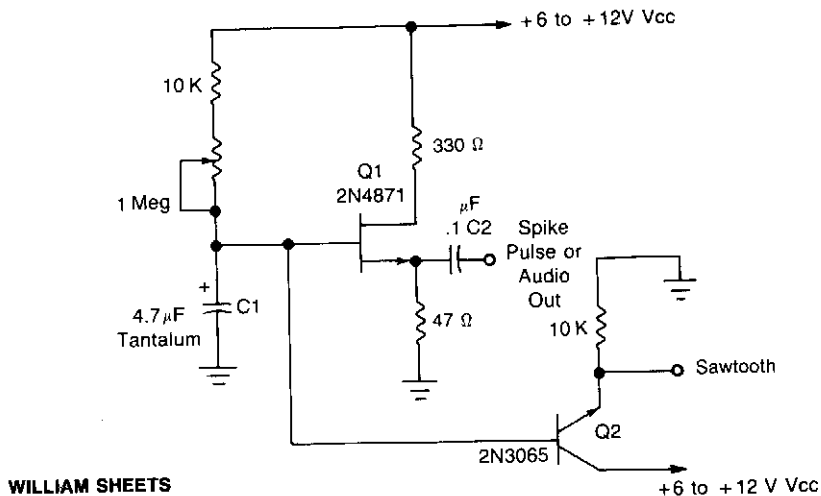


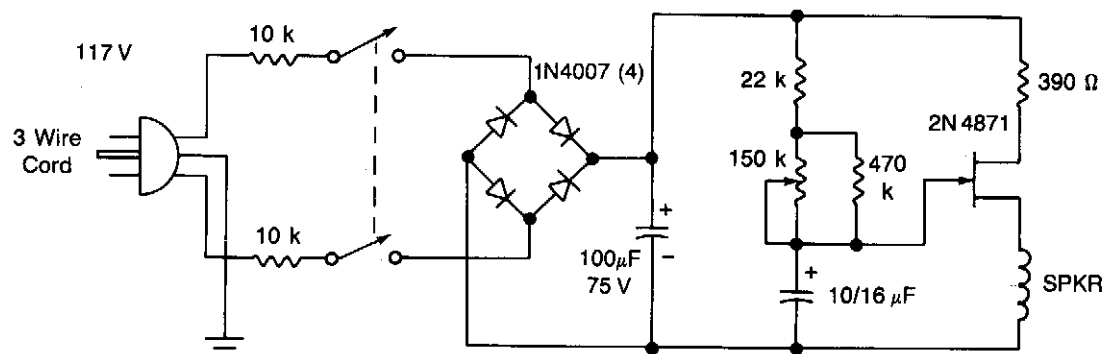
Fig. 57-2

WILLIAM SHEETS

### Circuit Notes

This simple oscillator uses a 2N4871 UJT to give pulses from 0.2 to about 20 Hz. A spike is available at C2, a sawtooth at the emitter of Q2 of about 2-3 V p-p, depending on  $V_{CC}$ .

### AC-LINE OPERATED UNIJUNCTION METRONOME



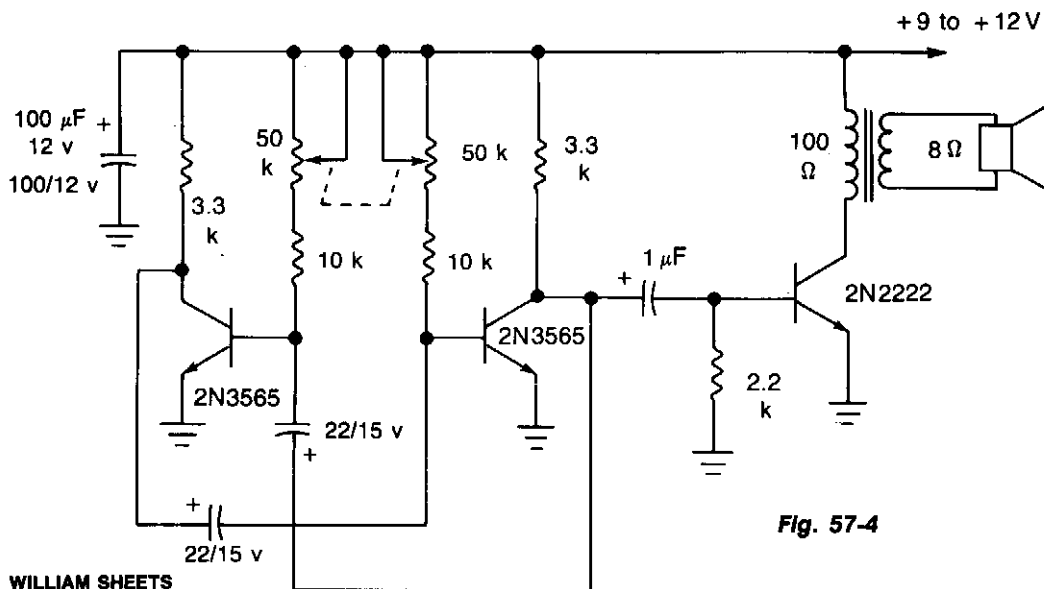
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 57-3

#### Circuit Notes

The UJT-oscillator frequency is determined by the 100  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor and the effective resistance of the 22 K and 470 K resistors and the potentiometer. Rate can be varied from 42 to 208 beats/minute. The circuit should be housed in an insulated box for safety, or use ground (3-wire cord).

### METRONOME II



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Fig. 57-4

#### Circuit Notes

This simple circuit uses a multivibrator to generate the beats and a subsequent audio amplifier stage to increase the output level. Range of adjustment is approximately from 40 to 200 beats per minute set by the gauged potentiometer.

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## Miscellaneous Treasures

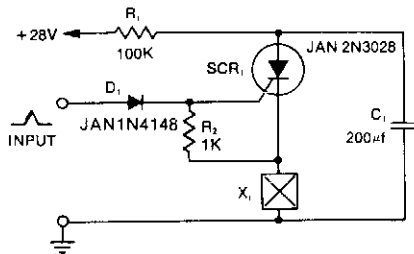
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|   |   |
|---|---|
| Squib-Firing Circuit (I)                  | 4-Channel Commutator                    |
| Squib-Firing Circuit (II)                 | Two-Wire Tone Encoder                   |
| Model Rocket Launcher                     | Differential Hold                       |
| Push-On/Push Off Electronic Switch        | 5 MHz Phase-Encoded Data Read Circuitry |
| Game Feeder Controller                    | Shift Register                          |
| Single LED Can Indicate Four Logic States | Power-On Reset                          |
| Inexpensive Radio-Control Uses Only SCR   | Noise Immune 60 Hz Line Sync            |
| Guitar and Bass Tuner                     | DC Static Switch (SCR Flip-Flop)        |



## SQUIB-FIRING CIRCUIT (I)



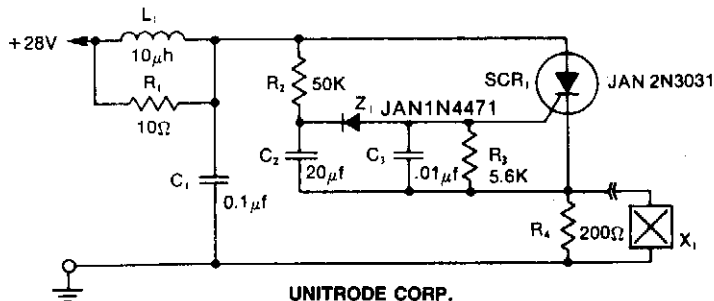
UNITRODE CORP.

Fig. 58-1

### Circuit Notes

Capacitor C1 is charged to +28 V through R1 and stores energy for firing the squib. A positive pulse of 1 mA applied to the gate of SCR1 will cause it to conduct, discharging C1 into the squib load X1. With the load in the cathode circuit, the cathode rises immediately to +28 V as soon as the SCR is triggered on. Diode D1 decouples the gate from the gate trigger source, allowing the gate to rise in potential along with the cathode so that the negative gate-to-cathode voltage rating is not exceeded. This circuit will reset itself after test firing, since the available current through R1 is less than the holding current of the SCR. After C1 has been discharged, the SCR automatically turns off—allowing C1 to recharge.

## SQUIB-FIRING CIRCUIT (II)



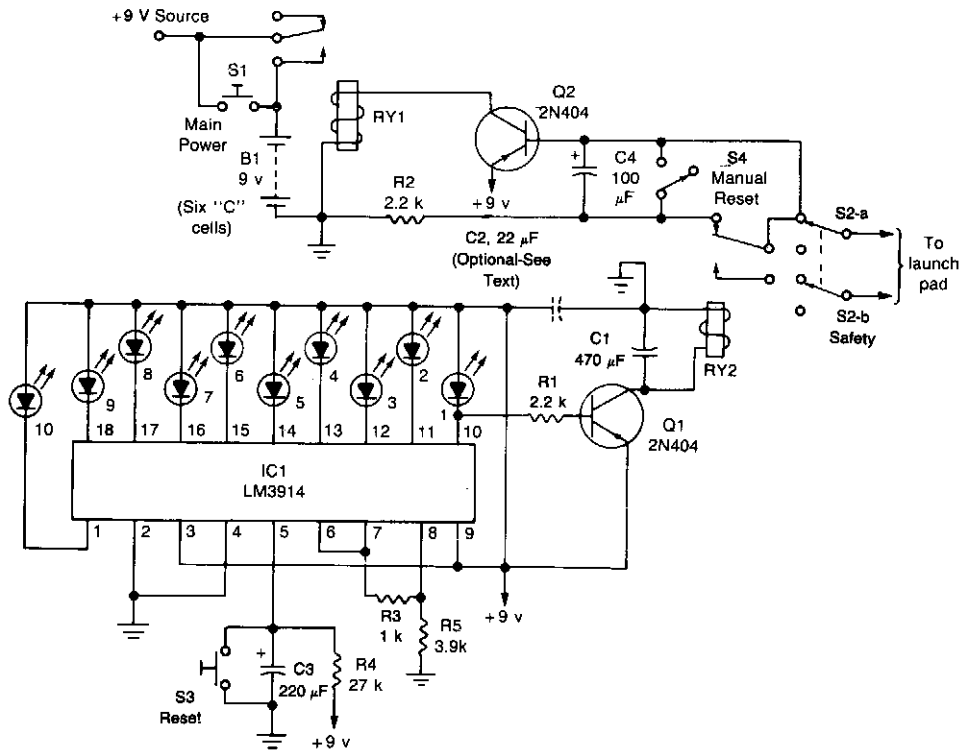
UNITRODE CORP.

Fig. 58-2

### Circuit Notes

The LRC input network limits the anode  $dv/dt$  to a safe value—below  $30 V/\mu s$ . R1 provides critical damping to prevent voltage overshoot. While a simple RC filter section could be used, the high current required by the squib would dictate a small value of resistance and a much larger capacitor. Resistor R3 provides dc bias stabilization, while C3 provides stiff gate bias during the transient interval when anode voltage is applied. The SCR is fired one second after arming by means of the simple R2C2Z1 time delay network. R4 provides a load for the SCR for testing the circuit with the squib disconnected—limiting the current to a level well within the continuous rating of the SCR. The circuit can be reset by opening the +28 V supply and then re-arming.

## MODEL ROCKET LAUNCHER



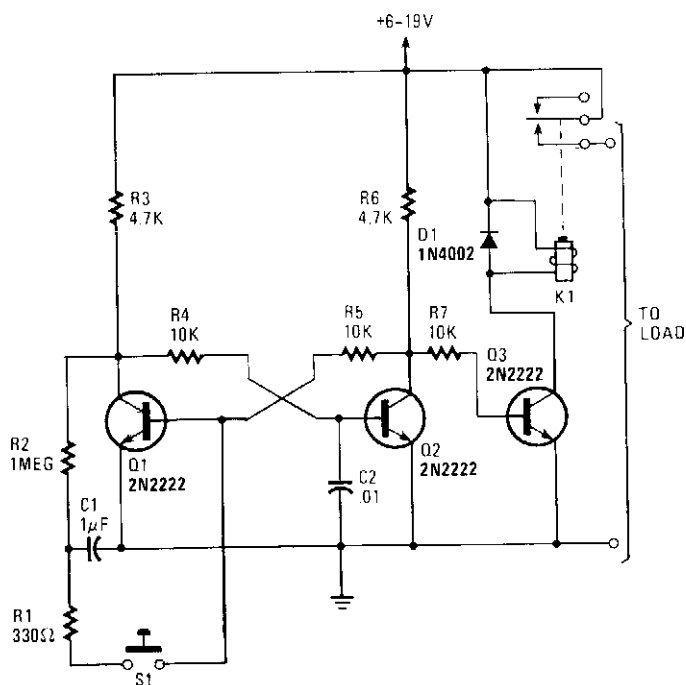
RADIO ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-3

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of the launch timer itself and an automatic-off timer. When power is applied to that IC, the countdown LED's sequence is on until they are all lit. When the last one LED1, is fully lit, transistor Q1 saturates, energizing RY2. When that happens, a circuit between the lantern battery at the launch pad and the nickel-chromium wire is completed; the wire heats up as before, and the rocket is launched. Resistor R4 and capacitor C3 determine the countdown timing; with the values shown it should be approximately 10 seconds. Resistors R3 and R5 set the LED brightness. Safety is of the utmost importance. That's the purpose of the second half of the circuit. When RY2 opens, the current flow to Q2 is disrupted. But, because of the presence of R2 and C4, the transistor remains saturated for about 3 seconds. After that, however, the transistor stops conducting and RY1 is de-energized. That cuts off the power to the rest of the circuit, and RY2 de-energizes again, breaking the circuit to the launch pad. Switch S3 is used to reset the countdown. Once that is done, pressing S1 starts the launch sequence; the rest is automatic. Switch S4 is used to latch RY1 manually if needed.

## PUSH-ON/PUSH-OFF ELECTRONIC SWITCH



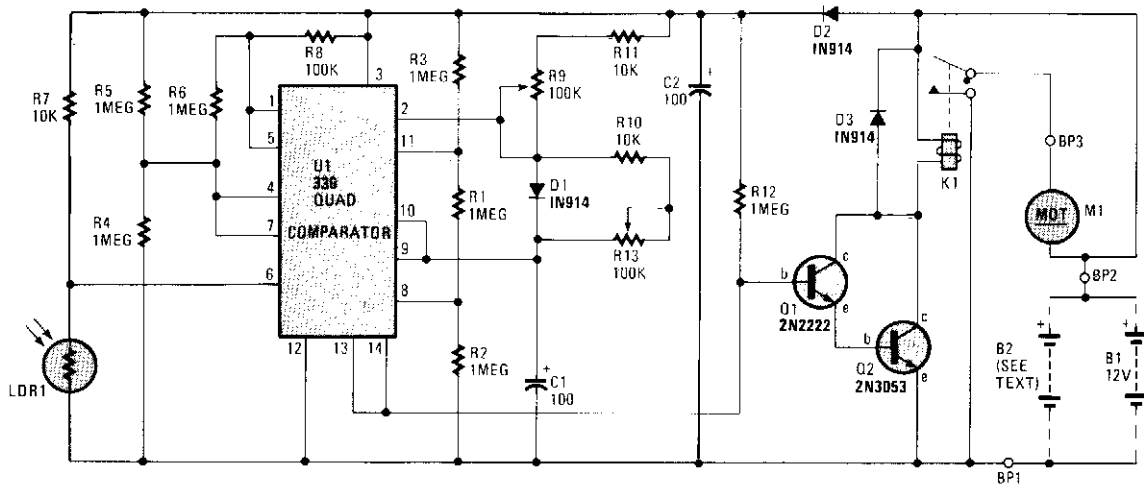
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-4

### Circuit Notes

Transistors Q1 and Q2 make up the flip-flop while Q3 drives a reed relay. When power is first applied to the circuit, Q1 and Q3 are conducting and Q2 is cut off. Momentarily closing S1 causes the flip-flop to switch states—Q1 cuts off and Q2 conducts. When Q2 is conducting, its collector drops to around 0.6 volt. That prevents base current from flowing into Q3 so it is cut off, de-energizing relay K1. The flip-flop changes state every time S1 is pressed. Capacitors C1 and C2 ensure that Q1 is always the transistor that turns on when power is first applied to the circuit. When power is first applied to the basic flip-flop, the initial status is random—Q1 and Q2 both try to conduct and, usually, the transistor with the higher gain will take control, reaching full conduction and cutting off the other one. However, differences in the values of the collector and coupling resistors will also influence the initial state at power-on. With C2 in the circuit, it and R4 form an R-C network that slightly delays the rise in Q2's base voltage. That gives Q1 sufficient time to reach saturation and thus take control.

## GAME FEEDER CONTROLLER



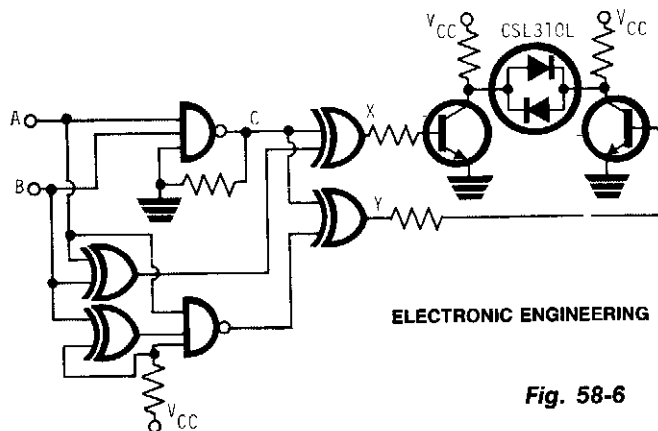
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-5

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is built around an LM339 quad comparator, U1, which forms the basis of a Schmitt trigger, timer circuit, and a window comparator. One comparator within the LM339 (pins 1, 7, 6), plus LDR1, R4, R5, R6 and R8, is used as a Schmitt trigger. The timer circuit (which receives its input from the Schmitt trigger) consists of R9, R10, R11, R13. The last two-fourth's of U1 (pins 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14) are wired as a window comparator. The two inputs to the window comparator are derived from the charge on capacitor C1—which is fed to pins 9 and 10 of U1. The other inputs are picked from two points along a voltage-divider network, consisting of R1, R2, and R3. Diode D1 is used as a blocking diode, forcing capacitor C1 to discharge through R10 and R13. The window comparator looks for any voltage falling between one-third and two-thirds of the supply voltage. When the voltage falls between those two points, the output of the window comparator (pins 13/14) goes high. Transistors Q1, and Q2 are turned on, when the pins 13/14 junction goes high, energizing the relay, K1. The energized relay provides a dc path to ground, activating the motor, M1, which reloads the feeder. The timer circuit also provides immunity from triggering, due to lightning. The on-time of relay K1 is determined by the charge cycle of C1, R11, and R9 or the discharge cycle of C1, R10, and R13. Changing the value of either a resistor or the capacitor, changes the timing cycle.

### SINGLE LED CAN INDICATE FOUR LOGIC STATES



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Fig. 58-6

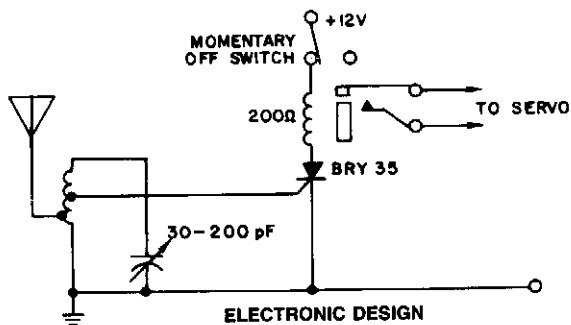
#### Circuit Notes

The LED is the CSL310L which contains a red LED and a green LED connected back to back and mounted close together in a single moulding. The LED can emit red or green light by controlling the polarity of the applied voltage and if the polarity is switched at a rate of several hundred Hertz the emitted light appears yellow. The four combinations of inputs A and B can therefore be converted to four LED states—red, green, yellow and off. The truth table shows the LED colors corresponding to the combinations of A and B levels.

#### Truth Table

| A | B | X | Y | LED color |
|---|---|---|---|-----------|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | red       |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | off       |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | green     |
| 1 | 1 | C | C | yellow    |

### INEXPENSIVE RADIO-CONTROL USES ONLY ONE SCR



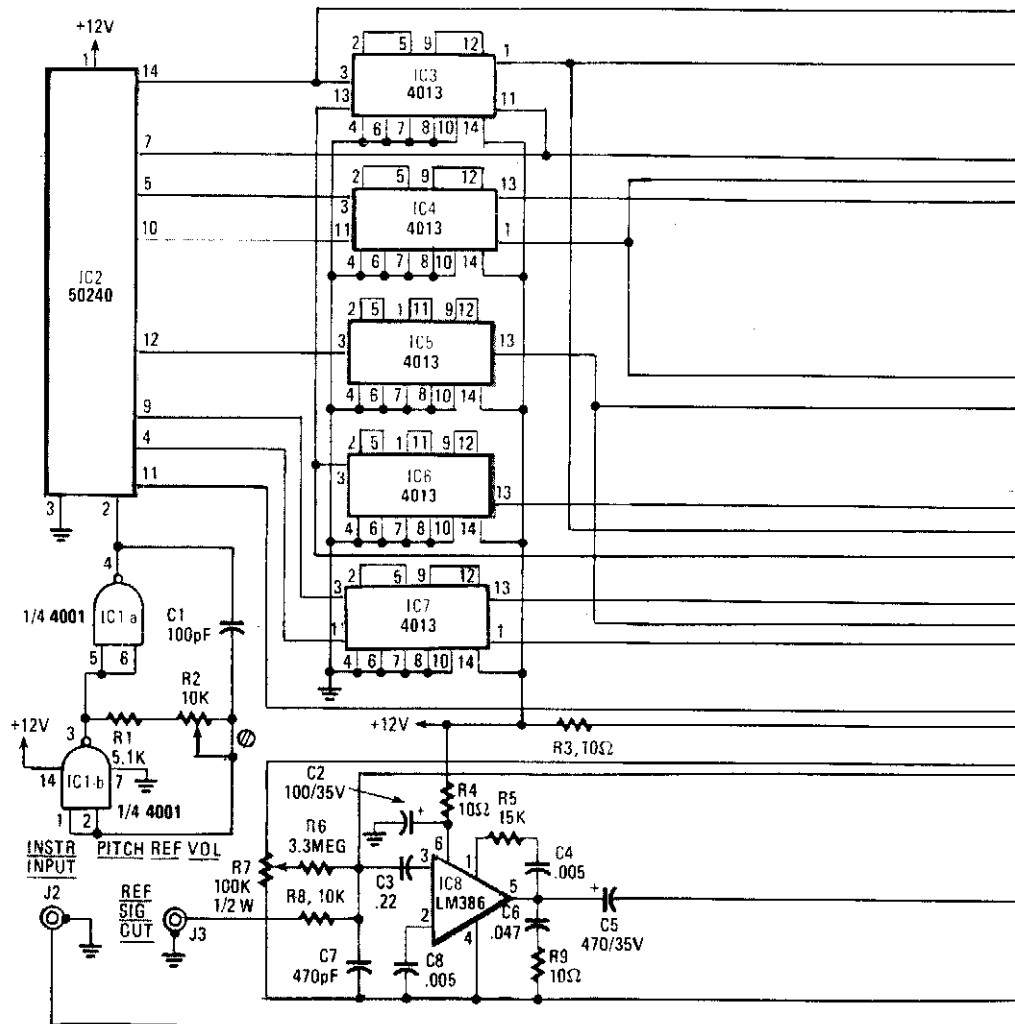
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Fig. 58-7

#### Circuit Notes

A simple and effective receiver for actuating garage doors, alarms, warning systems, etc. The SCR, which has a very low trigger current  $30 \mu\text{A}$  is typical—it requires an input power of only  $30 \mu\text{W}$  to activate the relay. A high Q tuned antenna circuit assures rejection of spurious signals. A whip or wire antenna is adequate up to 100 feet from a low power transistor transmitter. A momentary-off switch resets the circuit.

## GUITAR AND BASS TUNER

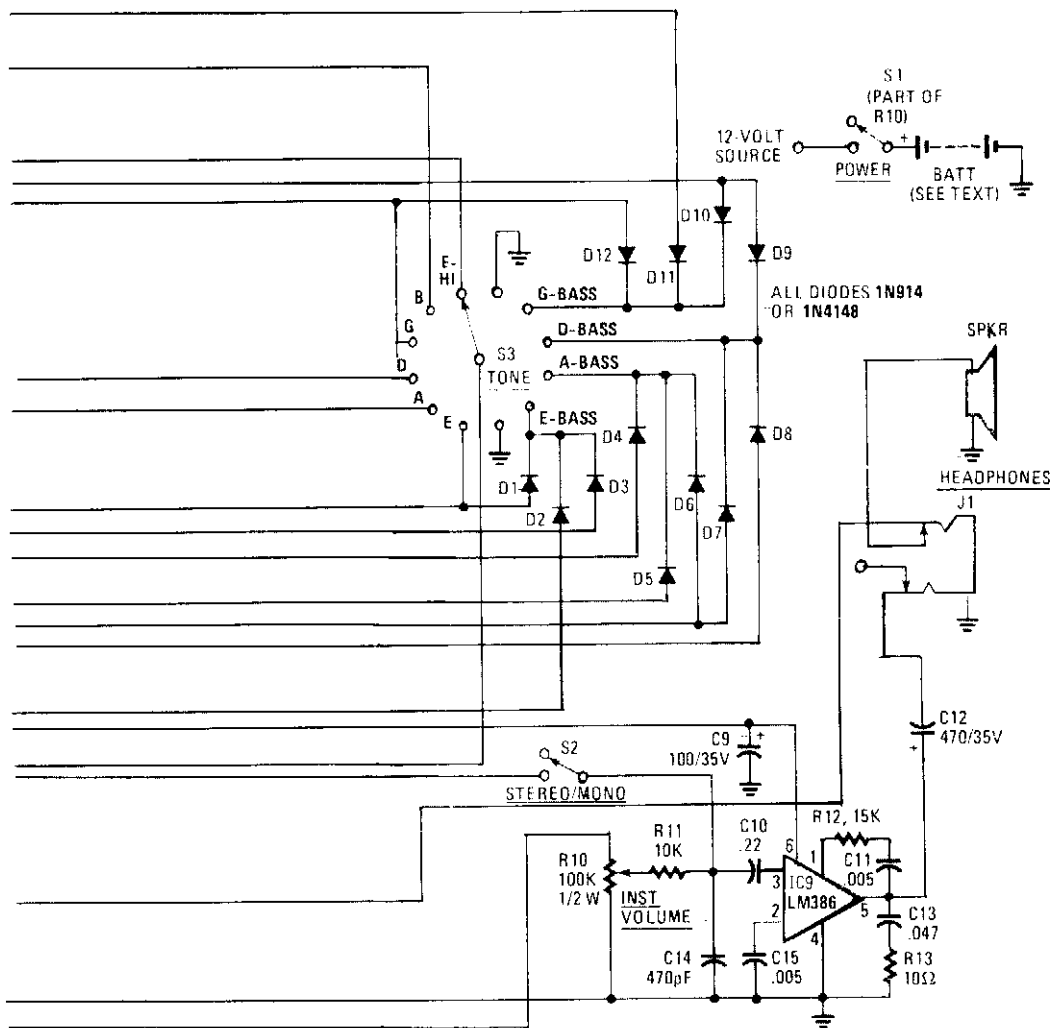


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Fig. 58-8

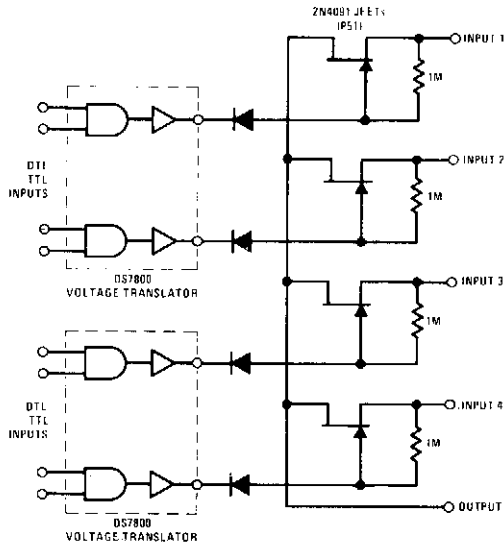
### Circuit Notes

The heart of the circuit is IC2, a 50240 top-octave generator. That device uses a single input-frequency to generate all twelve notes of the musical scale. The input signal is provided by IC1, a 4001 quad 2-input NOR gate. Two sections of that IC are used to form an oscillator that runs at approximately 2 MHz. The frequency can be adjusted by trimmer potentiometer R2. Dual D flip-flops, IC3-IC7, are used as frequency dividers. They divide down the upper-octave frequencies from IC2, thus generating the lower-frequency notes required for the pitch references. The chords for the bass pitch-references are composed of three notes each. Those notes are taken from various outputs



of IC2-IC7 through isolation diodes D1-D12. All signals are routed to the TONE switch, S3. The wiper arm of that switch is connected through R7 to the input of audio power-amplifier IC8, an LM386. The resistor acts as a volume control for the pitch reference. Another LM386, IC9, serves as an amplifier for the instrument being tuned, with R10 acting as its volume control. The outputs of IC8 and IC9 are coupled, through C5 and C12 respectively, to the headphone jack, J1. Switch S2 STEREO/MONO is used to mix the reference and instrument signals at IC9 for mono operation. Power is supplied by eight "AA" cells connected in series.

### 4-CHANNEL COMMUTATOR



#### Circuit Notes

This 4-channel commutator used the 2N4091 to achieve low channel on resistance (< 30 ohm) and low off current leakage. The DS7800 voltage translator is a monolithic device that provides from 10 V to -20 V gate drive to the JFETs while at the same time providing DTL/TTL logic compatibility.

Fig. 58-9

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### TWO-WIRE TONE ENCODER

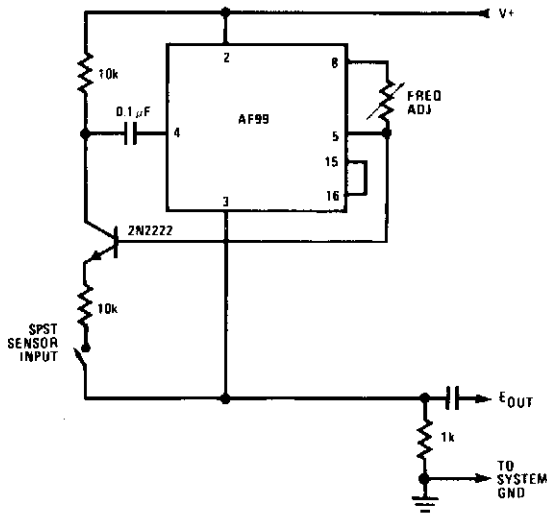


Fig. 58-10

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## DIFFERENTIAL HOLD

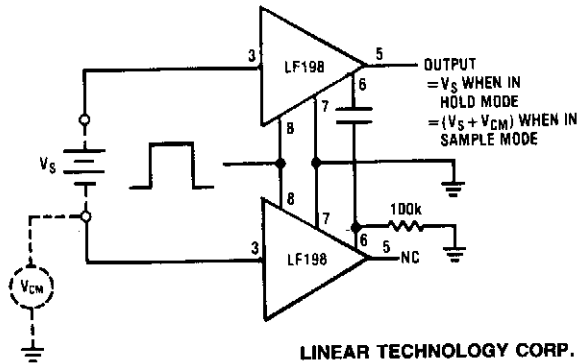
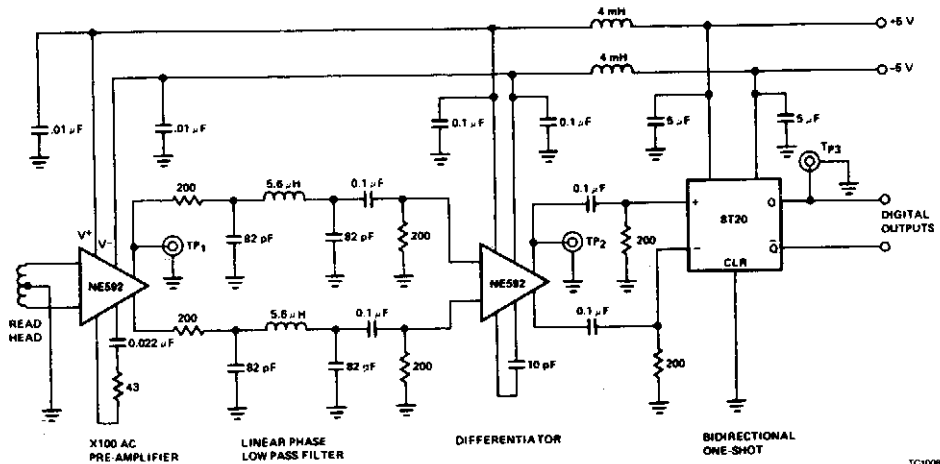


Fig. 58-11

## 5 MHz PHASE-ENCODED DATA READ CIRCUITRY



**NOTE:**  
All resistor values are in ohms

**SIGNETICS**

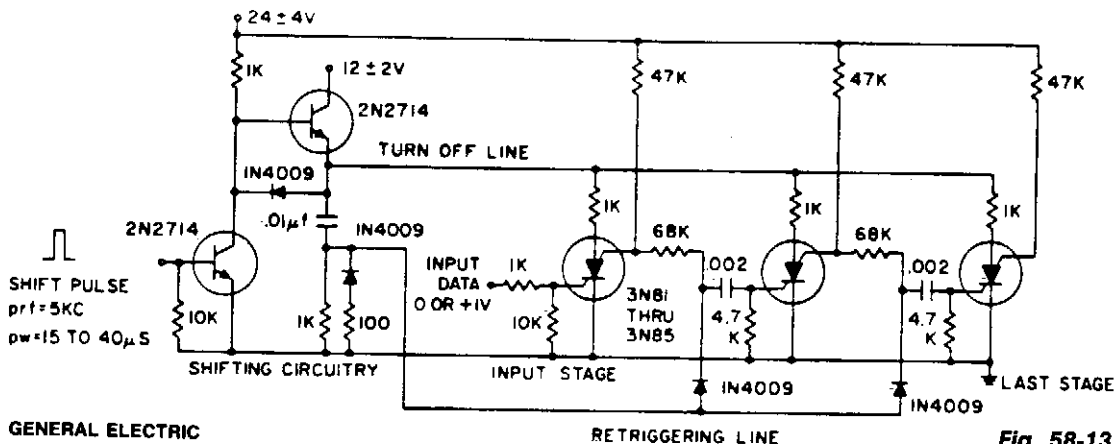
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Fig. 58-12

### Circuit Notes

Readback data is applied directly to the input of the first NE592. This amplifier functions as a wide-band ac coupled amplifier with a gain of 100. By direct coupling of the readback head to the amplifier, no matched terminating resistors are required and the excellent common-mode rejection ratio of the amplifier is preserved. The dc components are also rejected because the NE592 has no gain at dc due to the capacitance across the gain select terminals. The output of the first stage amplifier is routed to a linear phase shift low-pass filter, with a characteristic impedance of 200 ohms. The second NE592 is utilized as a low noise differentiator/amplifier stage. The output of the differentiator/amplifier is connected to the 8T20 bidirectional monostable unit to provide the proper pulses at the zero-crossing points of the differentiator.

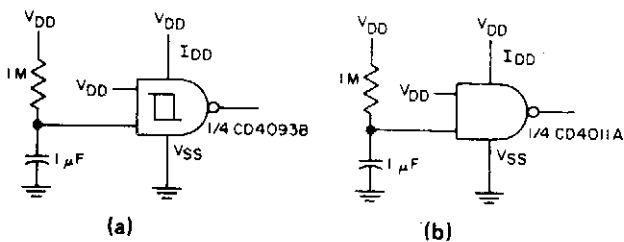
## SHIFT REGISTER



### Circuit Notes

The shift pulse amplitude is less than 15 volts. If a stage is off, the shift pulse will not be coupled to the next stage. If it is on, the diode will conduct triggering the next stage. Just prior to the shift pulse the anode supply is interrupted to turn off all stages. The stored capacitor charge determines which stages will be retriggered.

## POWER-ON RESET



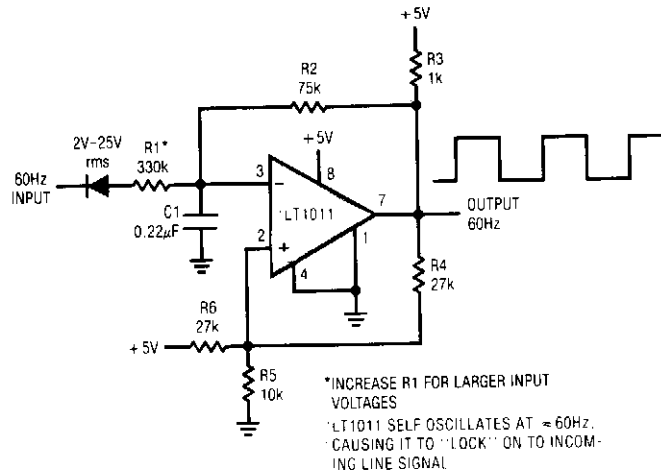
RCA

Fig. 58-14

### Circuit Notes

A reset pulse is often required at power-on in a digital system. This type of reset pulse is ideally provided by this circuit. Because of the high input impedance of the Schmitt trigger, long reset pulse times may be achieved without the excess dissipation that results when both output devices are on simultaneously, as in an ordinary gate device (B).

### NOISE IMMUNE 60 Hz LINE SYNC



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

Fig. 58-15

### DC STATIC SWITCH (SCR FIIP-FLOP)

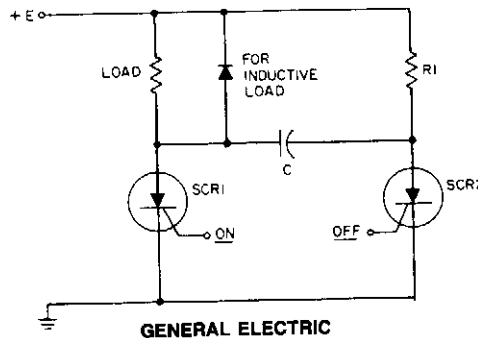


Fig. 58-16

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit is a static SCR switch for use in a dc circuit. When a low power signal is applied to the gate of SCR1, this SCR is triggered and voltage is applied to the load. The right hand plate of C charges positively with respect to the left hand plate through R1. When SCR2 is triggered on, capacitor C is connected across SCR1, so that this SCR is momentarily reverse biased between anode and cathode. This reverse voltage turns SCR1 off provided the gate signal is not applied simultaneously to both gates. The current through the load will decrease to zero in an exponential fashion as C becomes charged.

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## Modulator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Double Sideband, Suppressed Carrier RF Modulator  
Low-Distortion Low Level Amplitude Modulator  
Video Modulator Circuit  
Video Modulator  
TTL Oscillator Interfaces Data for Display by a  
Television Set

# DOUBLE SIDEBAND, SUPPRESSED CARRIER RF MODULATOR

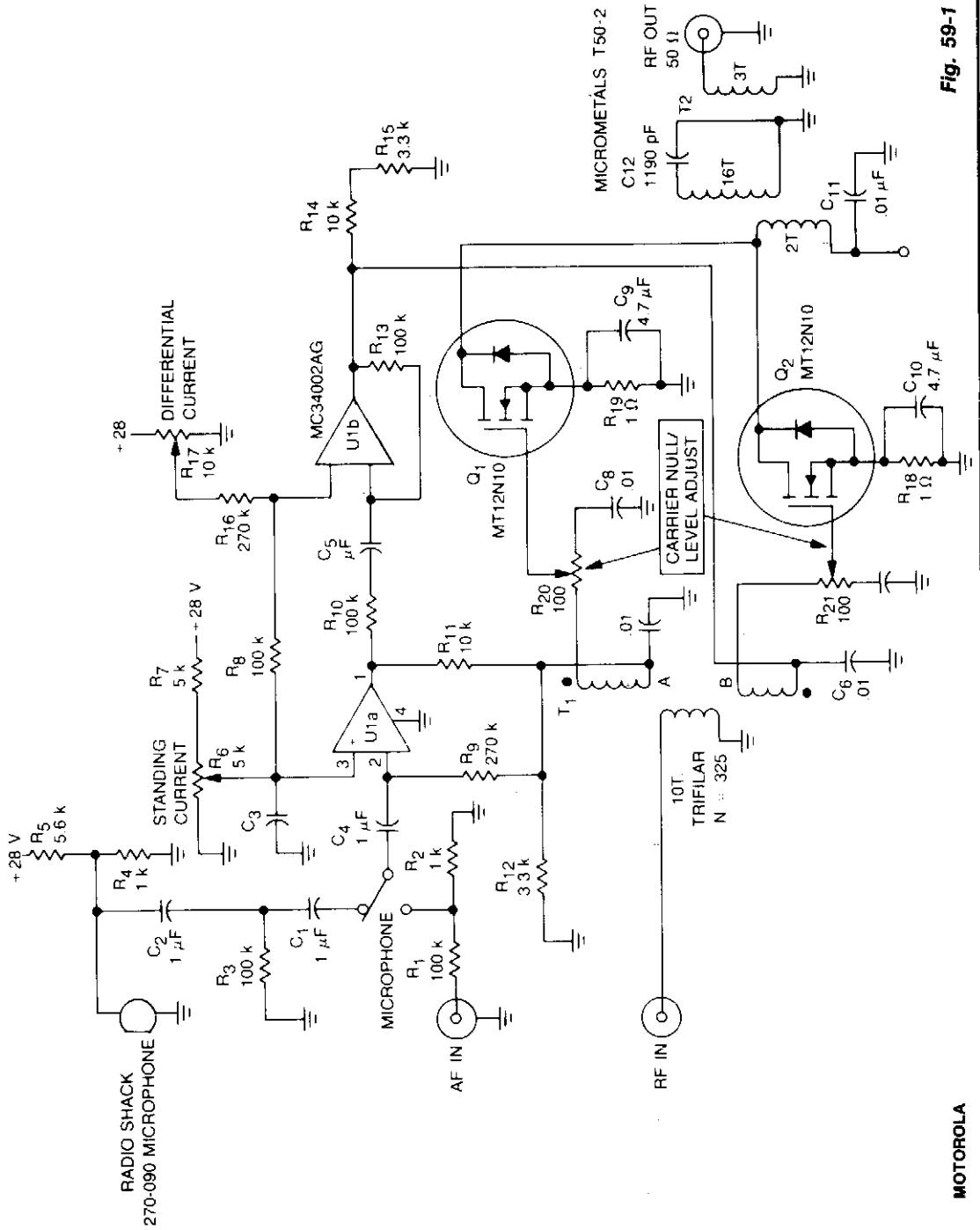


Fig. 59-1

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## DOUBLE SIDEBAND, SUPPRESSED CARRIER RF MODULATOR , Continued.

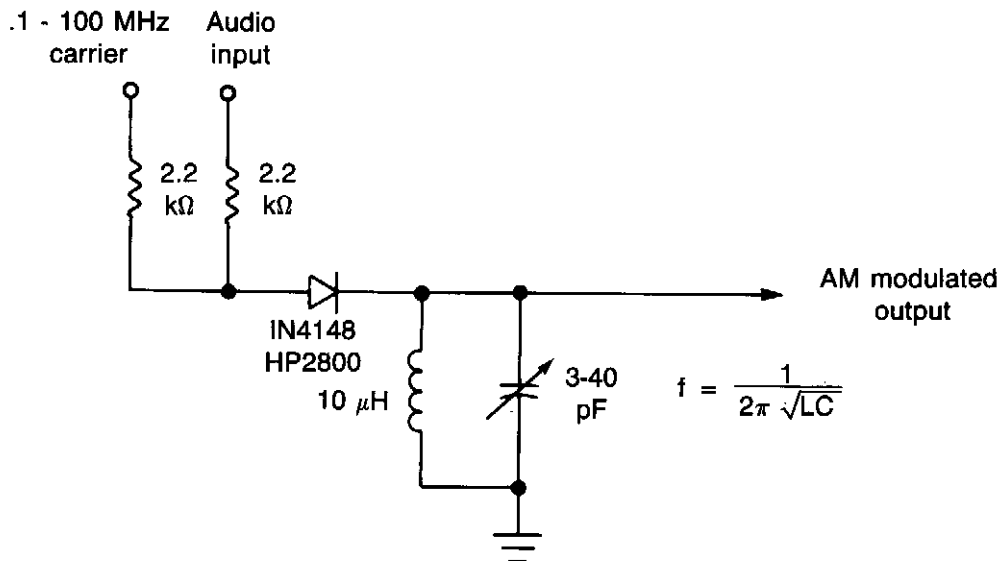
### Circuit Notes

An RF input is applied to the primary of T1, which applies equal amplitude, opposite phase RF drive for output FETs Q1 and Q2. With no AF modulation at points A and B, the opposite phase RF signals cancel each other and no output appears at the 50 V output connector.

When AF modulation is applied to points A and B, a modulated RF output is obtained. The dc stability and low frequency gain are improved by source resistors R18 and R19.

A phase inverter consisting of a dual op amp (U1a and U1b) produces the out-of-phase, equal amplitude AF modulation signals.

### LOW-DISTORTION LOW-LEVEL AMPLITUDE MODULATOR



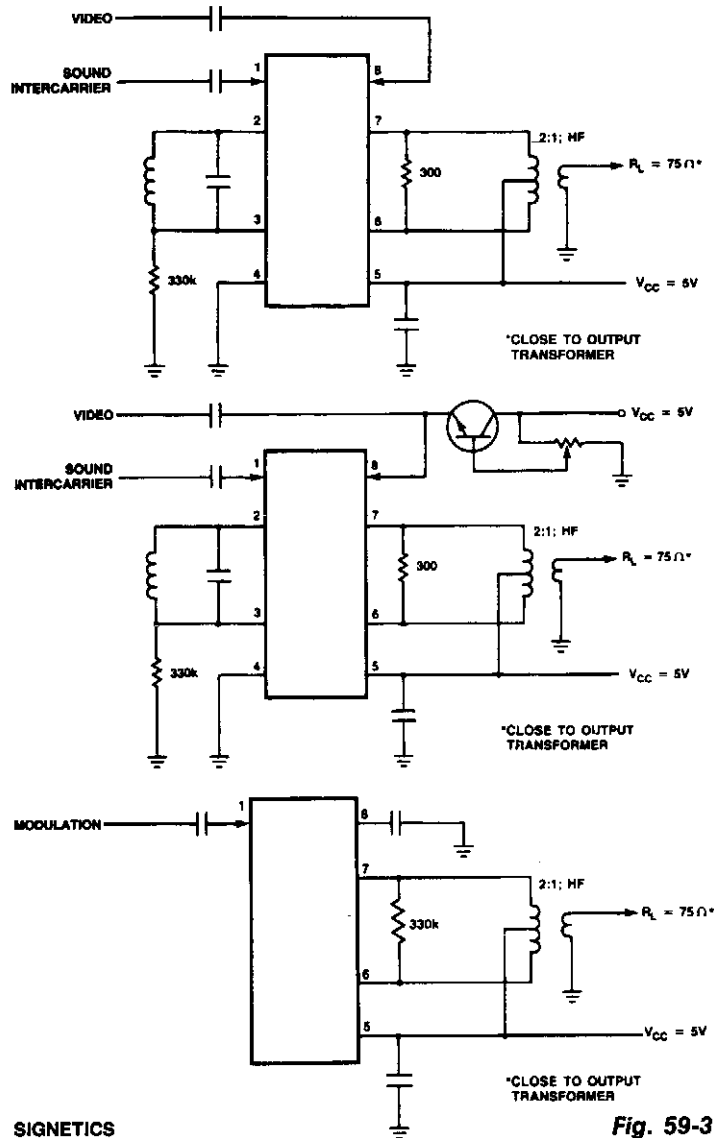
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 59-2

### Circuit Notes

This simple diode modulator delivers excellent results when used for high percentage modulation at low signal levels. Constants are shown for a carrier frequency of about 10 MHz, but, with a suitable tank, the circuit will give good results at any frequency at which the diode approximates a good switch. To extend frequency above that for which the IN4148 is suited, a hot-carrier diode (HP2800, etc.) can be substituted. A shunt resistor across the tank circuit can be used to reduce the circuit Q so as to permit high percentage modulation without appreciable distortion.

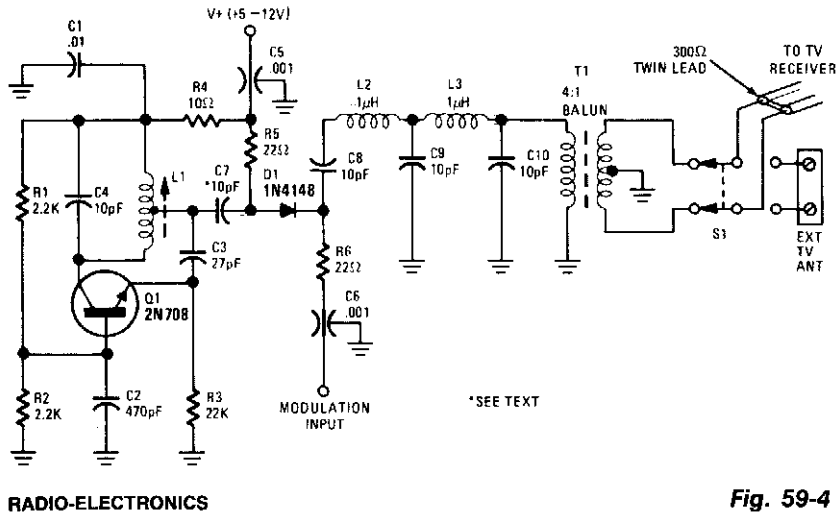
## VIDEO MODULATOR CIRCUIT



### Circuit Notes

These are modulator circuits for modulation of video signals on a VHF/UHF carrier. The circuits require a 5 V power supply and few external components for the negative modulation mode. For positive modulation an external clamp circuit is required. The circuits can be used as general-purpose modulators without additional external components. The IC is TDA6800.

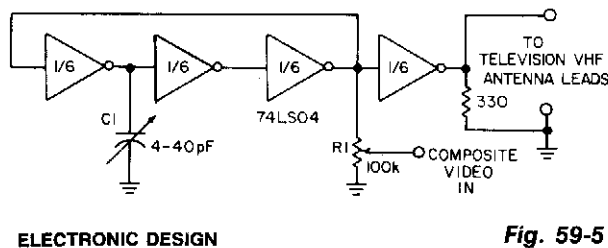
## VIDEO MODULATOR



### Circuit Notes

This circuit permits direct connection of composite video signals from video games and microcomputers to the antenna terminals of TV sets. The output signal level is controlled by the modulation input.

## TTL OSCILLATOR INTERFACES DATA FOR DISPLAY BY A TELEVISION SET



### Circuit Notes

Three gates of a 74LS04 form the oscillator circuit. Capacitor C1 allows fine-frequency adjustment to a specific television channel and helps stabilize the circuit. Potentiometer R1 acts as the mixing input and provides adjustment of the contrast ratio for the best viewing. A fourth gate buffers and helps stabilize the oscillator.



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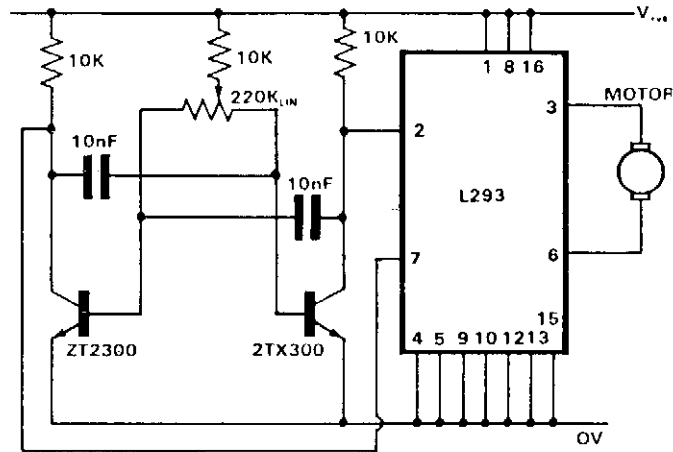
# Motor Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Bi-Directional Proportional Motor Control                 | DC Motor Speed Control                       |
| AC Motor Control  | Reversing Motor Drive, DC Control Signal     |
| PWM Motor Speed Control                                   | N-Phase Motor Drivers                        |
| Stepping Motor Driver                                     | Servo Motor Drive Amplifier                  |
| Low-Cost Speed Regulator For DC Motors                    | DC Servo Drive Employs Bipolar Control Input |
| Motor Speed Control Circuit                               | 400 Hz Servo Amplifier                       |
| Constant Speed Motor Control Using Tachometer<br>Feedback | Three-Phase Power-Factor Controller          |
| Back EMF PM Motor Speed Control                           | Motor/Tachometer Speed Control               |
|   | Closed Loop, Tachometer Feedback Control     |

## BI-DIRECTIONAL PROPORTIONAL MOTOR CONTROL



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Fig. 60-1

### Circuit Notes

The control of both direction and of proportional motor speed is achieved by rotation of a single potentiometer. The motor driver is an SGS integrated circuit L293 which will drive up to 1 amp in either direction, depending on the logic state of input 1 and input 2 as per table.

| <u>I/P 1</u> | <u>I/P 2</u> | <u>Function</u>     |
|--------------|--------------|---------------------|
| High         | Low          | Motor turns one way |
| Low          | High         | Motor reverses      |

By applying a variable M/S ratio flip-flop to these inputs, both speed and direction will be controlled. With RV1 in its center position the M/S will be 1:1 whereby the motor will remain stationary due to its inability to track at the flip-flop frequency. Movement of RV1 in either direction will gradually alter the M/S ratio and provide an average voltage bias in one direction proportional to the M/S ratio.

# AC MOTOR CONTROL

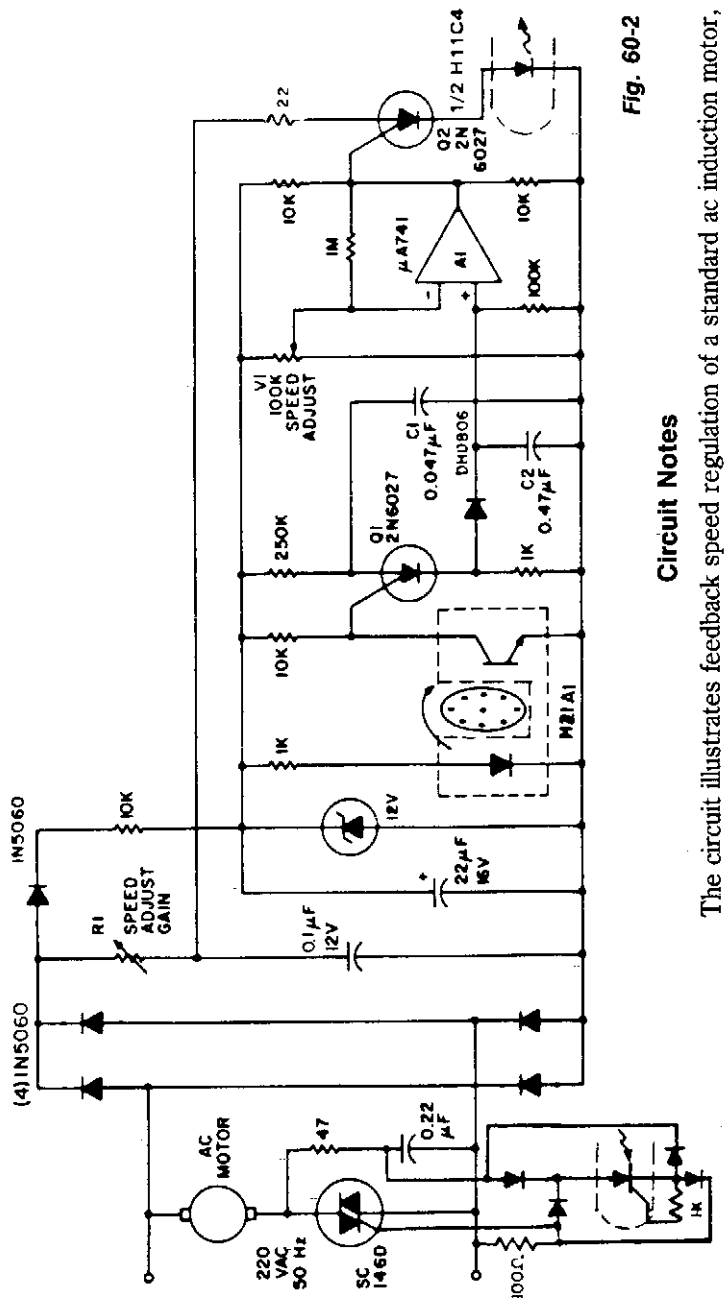


Fig. 60-2

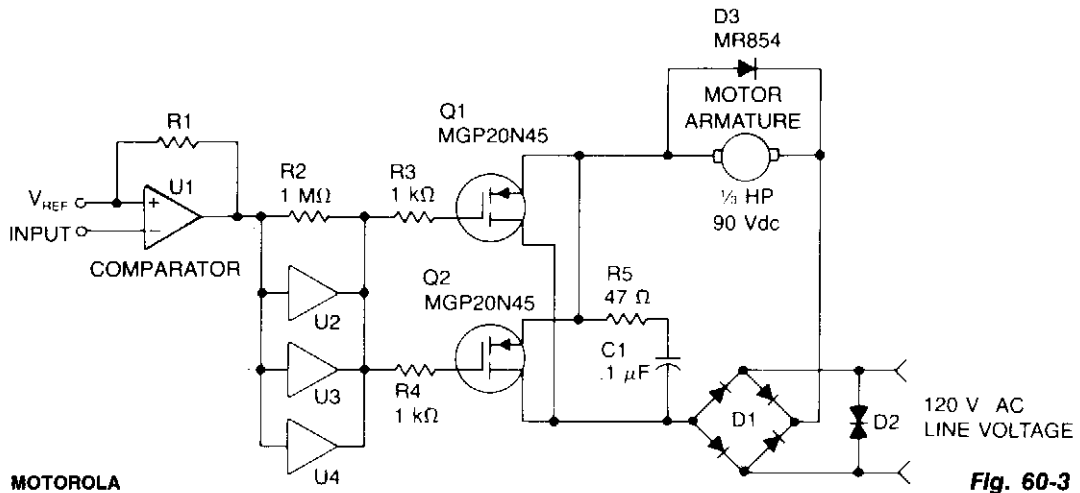
## Circuit Notes

The circuit illustrates feedback speed regulation of a standard ac induction motor, a function difficult to accomplish other than with a costly, generator type, precision tachometer. When the apertured disc attached to the motor shaft allows the light beam to cross the interrupter module, the programmable unijunction transistor, Q1, discharges capacitor, C1, into the much larger storage capacitor, C2. The voltage on C2 is a direct function of the rotational speed of the motor. Subsequently, this speed-related potential is compared against an adjustable reference voltage, V1, through the monolithic operational amplifier, A1, whose output, in turn, establishes a dc control input to the second P.U.T. (Q2). This latter device is synchronized to the ac supply frequency and furnishes trigger pulses in the conventional manner to the triac at a phase angle determined by the speed control, R1, and by the actual speed of the motor.

1/2 H11C4 (4)1N5060

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## PWM MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



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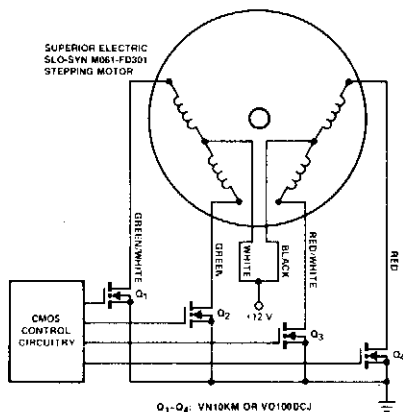
Fig. 60-3

### Circuit Notes

Speed control is accomplished by pulse width modulating the gates of two MGP20N45 TMOS devices. Therefore, motor speed is proportional to the pulse width of the incoming digital signal, which can be generated by a microprocessor or digital logic.

The incoming signal is applied to comparator U1, then to paralleled inverters U2, U3, and U4 that drive the two TMOS devices, which, in turn, control power applied to the motor armature. Bridge rectifier D1 supplies fullwave power that is filtered by R5 and C1. Free-wheeling diode D3 (MR854) prevents high voltage across Q1 and Q2. A back-to-back zener diode, D2, protects against transients and high voltage surges.

## STEPPING MOTOR DRIVER



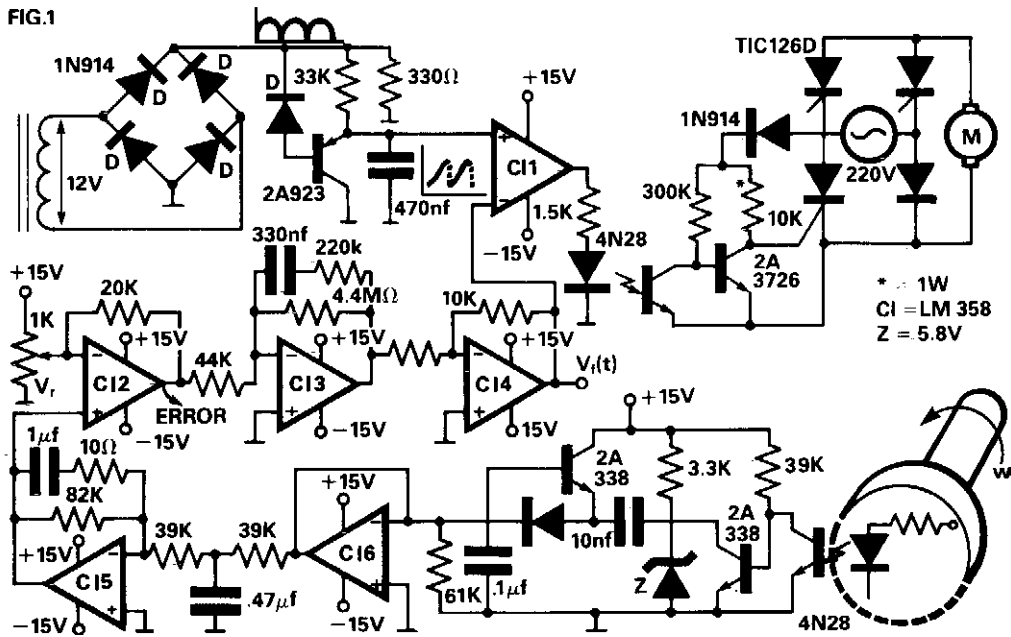
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Fig. 60-4

### Circuit Notes

Stepping motors find wide use in disk drives and machine control. MOSPOWER transistors are ideal motor drivers because of their freedom from second breakdown. Note that snubbing networks are not used because load line shaping is not necessary with MOSPOWER and the inductance of the motor is fairly low so that the inductive spike is small. The MOSFET gates are tied directly to the outputs of the CMOS control circuitry. The logic is arranged to sequence the motor in accordance with the needs of the application.

## LOW-COST SPEED REGULATOR FOR DC MOTORS



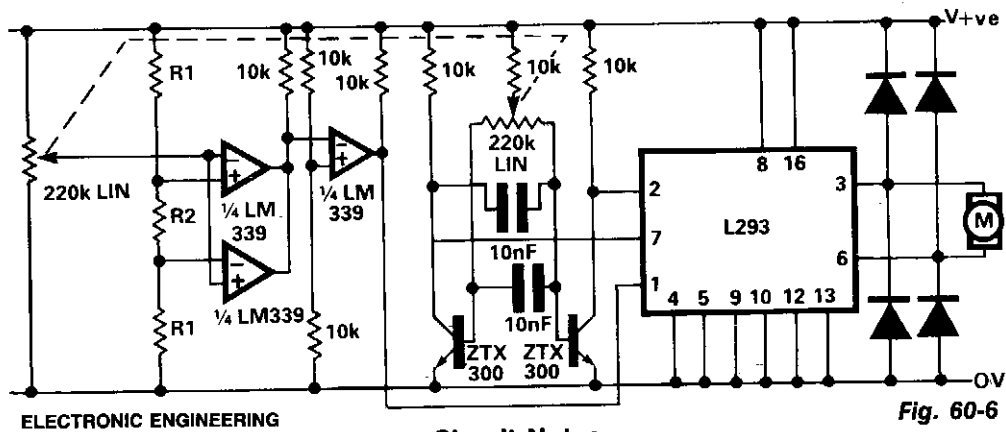
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Fig. 60-5

### Circuit Notes

A four thyristor controlled bridge is used for operation in two quadrants of the torque-speed characteristics. In the trigger circuits the usual pulse transformers were replaced by self biased circuits which minimize gate power consumption and increase noise immunity. Electrical isolation is guaranteed by the use of optocouplers. The trigger pulses are generated by the comparison between an error signal, previously processed and amplified, and a line synchronism signal. The converter's output is a dc voltage proportional to the speed, which after being compared with a reference signal, becomes the error signal.

## MOTOR SPEED CONTROL CIRCUIT



### Circuit Notes

A shortcoming of the above bi-directional proportional motor control circuit is that with the potentiometer in its center position the motor does not stop, but creeps due to the difficulty in setting the potentiometer for an exact 1:1 mark-space ratio from the flip-flop. This modified circuit uses a second potentiometer, ganged with the first used to inhibit drive to the motor near the center position. This potentiometer is connected between the supply lines and feeds a window comparator which in turn drives the inhibit input of the L293.

## CONSTANT SPEED MOTOR CONTROL USING TACHOMETER FEEDBACK

### Circuit Notes

The generator output is rectified then filtered and applied between the positive supply voltage and the base of the detector transistor. This provides a negative voltage which reduces the base-voltage when the speed increases. In normal operation, if the tachometer voltage is less than desired, the detector transistor is turned on, then turns on Q2 which causes the timing capacitor for the unijunction transistor to charge quickly. As the tachometer output approaches the voltage desired, the base-emitter voltage is reduced to the point at which Q1 is almost cut off. Thereby, the collector current which charges the unijunction timing capacitor is reduced, causing that capacitor to charge slowly and trigger the thyristor later in the half cycle. In this manner, the average power to the motor is reduced until just enough power to maintain the desired motor speed is allowed to flow.

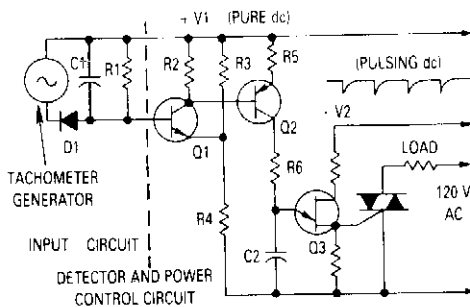
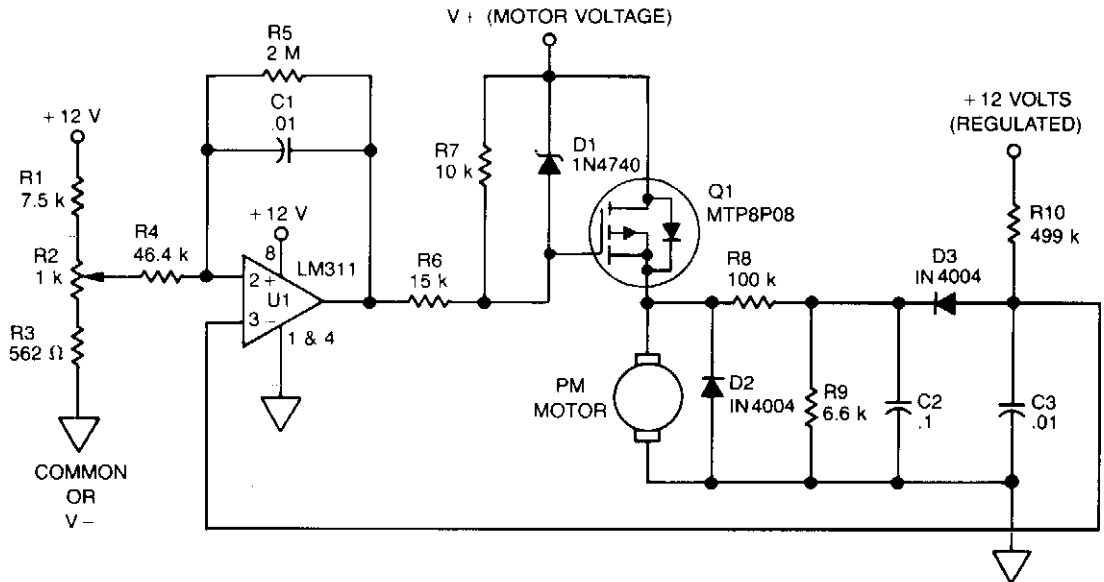


Fig. 60-7

## BACK EMF PM MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



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Fig. 60-8

### Circuit Notes

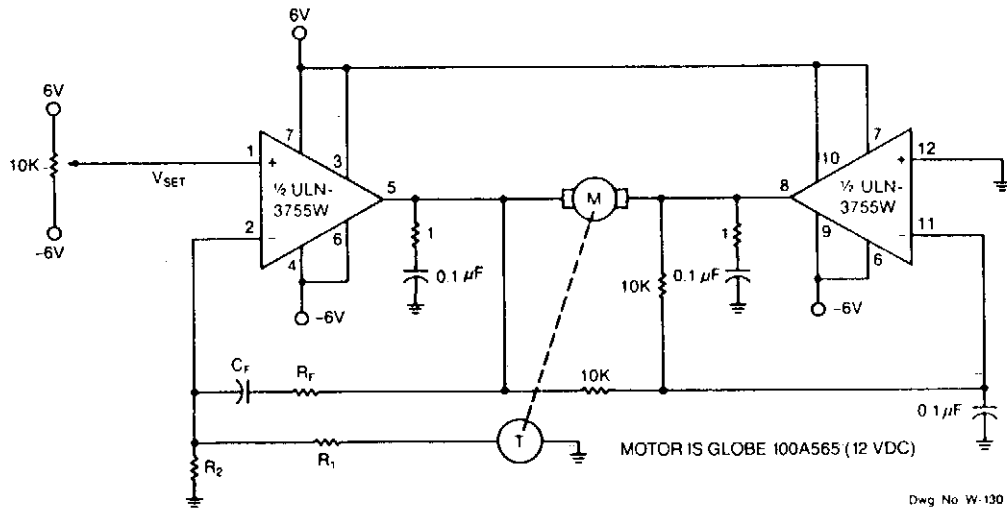
The use of power MOSFETs allows a direct interface between logic and motor power, which permits circuit simplicity as well as high efficiency. This speed control circuit can be packaged on a 22-pin, double-sided, 3.5 × 4-in. pc board.

A 12 V control supply and a TRW BL11, 30 V motor are used; with minor changes other motor and control voltages can be accommodated. For example, a single 24 V rail could supply both control and motor voltages. Motor and control voltages are kept separate here because CMOS logic is used to start, stop, reverse and oscillate the motor with a variable delay between motor reversals.

Motor speed is established by potentiometer R2, which applies a corresponding dc voltage to the + input of comparator U1, whose output is then applied to TMOS device MTP8P08 (Q1). Zener diode D1 limits the drive to Q1. The output of Q1 drives the permanent magnet motor.

Back emf is obtained from the motor via the network consisting of R8, R9, R10, C2, C3 and D3; it is applied to—input of comparator U1.

## DC MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



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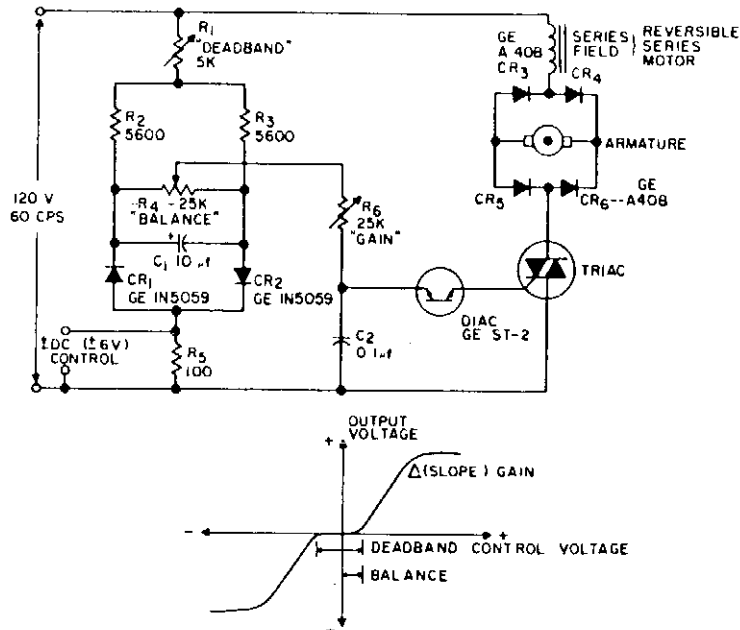
**Fig. 60-9**

### Circuit Notes

Power op amps provide accurate speed control for dc motors. The circuit provides bidirectional speed control. The amplifiers' push-pull configuration ensures a full rail-to-rail voltage swing (minus the output stages' saturation drops) across the motor in either direction. The circuit uses a mechanically-coupled tachometer to provide speed-stabilizing feedback to the first amplifier section. The motor's speed and direction of rotation is set by adjusting the 10 k ohm potentiometer at the amplifier's noninverting input. The RFCF feedback network prevents oscillation by compensating for the inherent dynamic mechanical lag of the motor. Select the RFCF time constant to match the particular motor's characteristics.



## REVERSING MOTOR DRIVE, DC CONTROL SIGNAL



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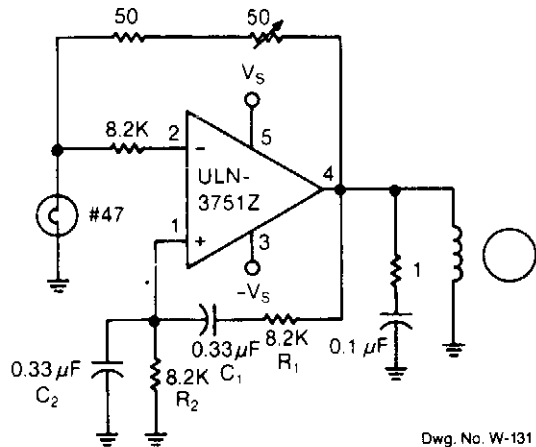
Fig. 60-10

### Circuit Notes

This is a positioning servo drive featuring adjustment of balance, gain, and deadband. In addition to control from a dc signal, mechanical input can be fed into the balance control, or that control could be replaced by a pair of resistance transducers for control by light or by temperature.

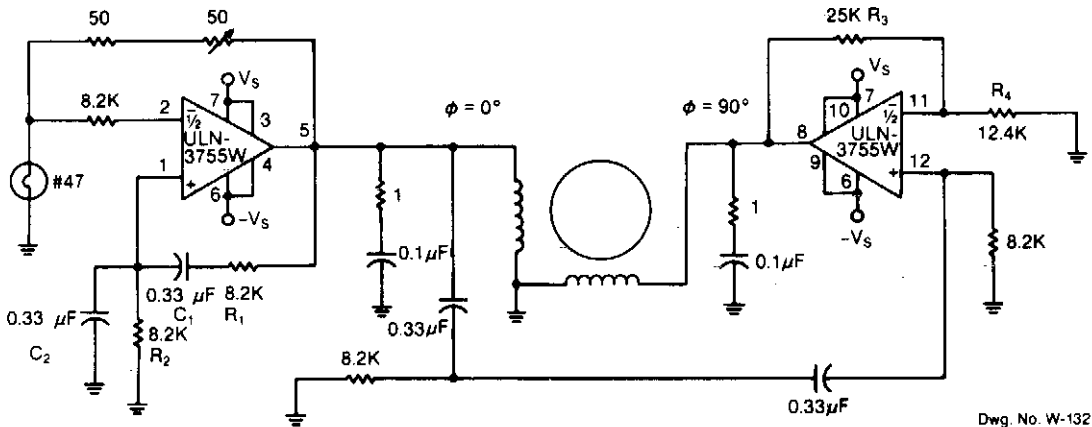
## N-PHASE MOTOR DRIVERS

### SINGLE-PHASE AC MOTOR DRIVER



Dwg. No. W-131

### TWO-PHASE AC MOTOR DRIVER



Dwg. No. W-132

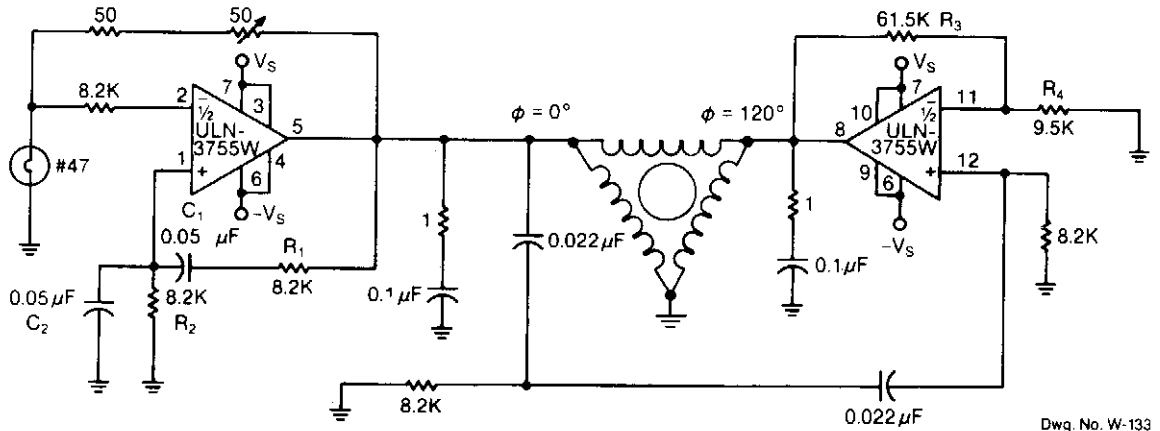
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Fig. 60-11

### Circuit Notes

Because of its high amplification factor and built-in power-output stage, an integrated power operational amplifier makes a convenient driver for ac motors. One op amp can be configured as an oscillator to generate the required ac signal. The power-output stage, of course, supplies the high-current drive to the motor. The controlling op amp is

### THREE-PHASE AC MOTOR DRIVER



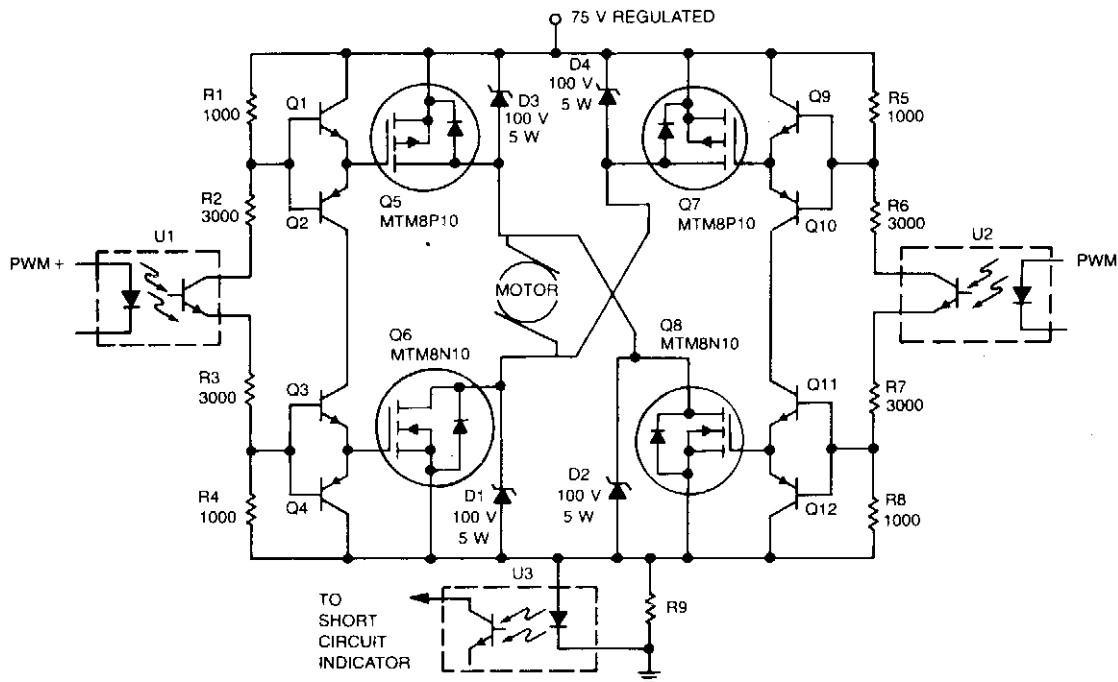
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configured as a Wein bridge oscillator. The  $R_1C_1$ ,  $R_2C_2$  feedback networks determine the oscillation frequency, according to the following expression:

$$f_o = \frac{1}{(2 \pi \sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2})}$$

By varying either  $R_1$  or  $R_2$ , the oscillation frequency can be adjusted over a narrow range. The  $R_3/R_4$  ratio sets the second amplifier's gain to compensate for signal attenuation occurring in the phase shifters. The circuits can be driven from an external source, such as a pulse or square wave, setting the gain of the left-hand amplifier to a level less than that required for oscillation. The RC feedback networks then function as an active filter causing the outputs to be sinusoidal.

## SERVO MOTOR DRIVE AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 60-12

### Circuit Notes

Digital ICs and opto-isolators provide the drive for this T MOS servo amplifier, resulting in fewer analog circuits and less drift. Fast and consistent turn-on and turn-off characteristics also enable accurate analog output results directly from the digital signal without the need for analog feedback.

An "H" bridge configuration is employed for the servo amplifier, which obtains complementary PWM inputs from digital control circuits. The PWM inputs are applied via opto-isolators, which keep the digital control logic isolated from the 75 V supply used for the amplifier. A short circuit indicator is provided by opto-isolator U3; if there is a short, the drop across R9 increases to a value sufficient to activate the isolator and send a short indication to the digital control logic.

## DC SERVO DRIVE EMPLOYS BIPOLAR CONTROL INPUT

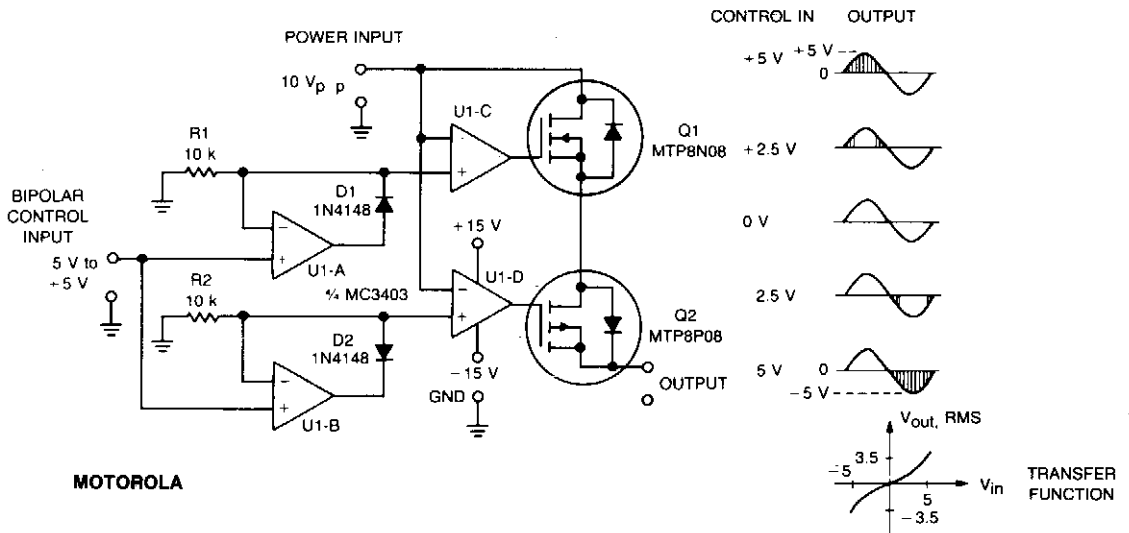


Fig. 60-13

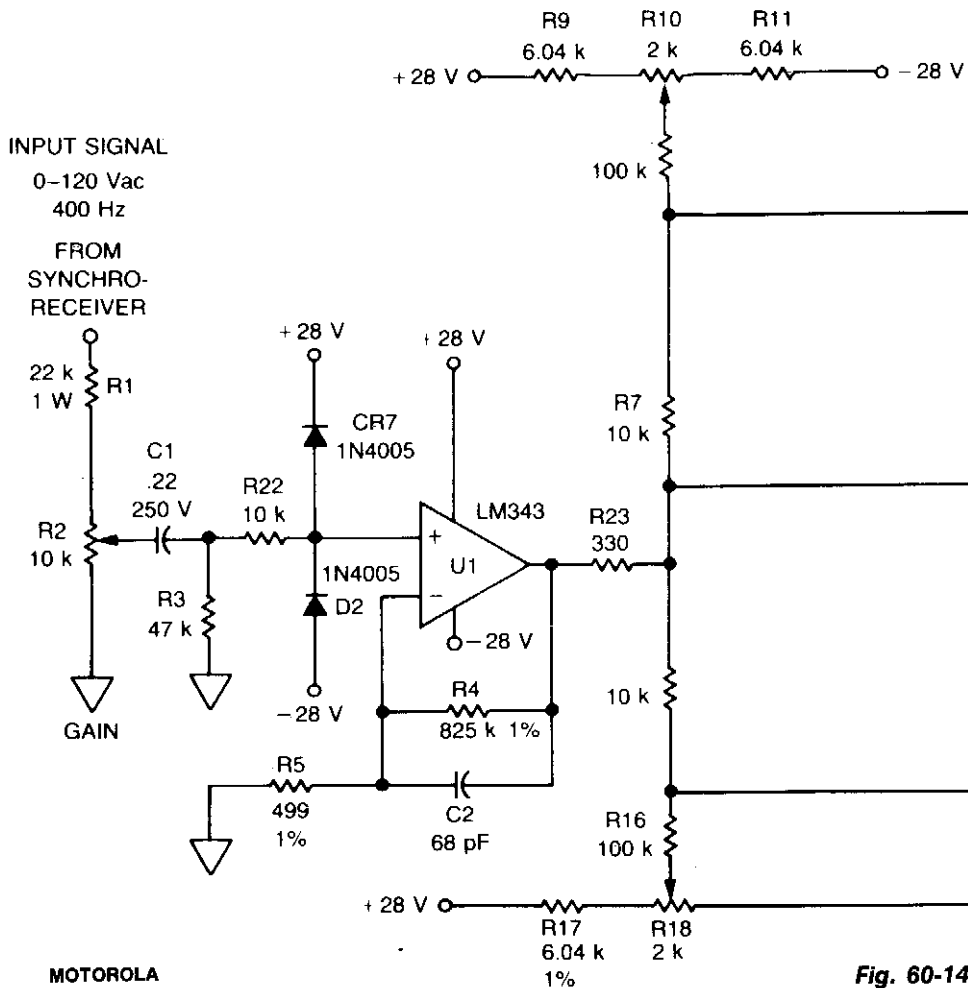
### Circuit Notes

This circuit accepts bipolar control inputs of  $\pm 5$  V and provides a phase-chopped output to a dc load (such as a servo motor) of the same polarity as the input. The rms voltage of the output is closely proportional to the control input voltage.

N-channel and p-channel T MOS devices, Q1 and Q2, are connected in anti-series to form a bidirectional switch through which current can flow in either the forward or reverse direction. Control circuits turn Q1 and Q2 on when they are reverse biased, bypassing their reverse rectifier and increasing circuit efficiency. Each device is allowed to turn off only when forward biased.

The Q1-Q2 switch connects the ac power source to the load when its instantaneous voltage is the same polarity and less than the control voltage. U1a is configured as an ideal positive rectifier whose output follows the control voltage when it is positive, and is zero otherwise. Similarly, U1b is a negative rectifier. U1c turns Q1 on whenever the ac input voltage is lower than the positive rectifier output. For negative control voltages, Q1 is turned on only during the negative half-cycle. For positive control voltages, Q1 is turned on during the end portions of the positive half-cycle. Similarly, U1d turns Q2 on whenever the ac input voltage is higher than the output of the negative rectifier.

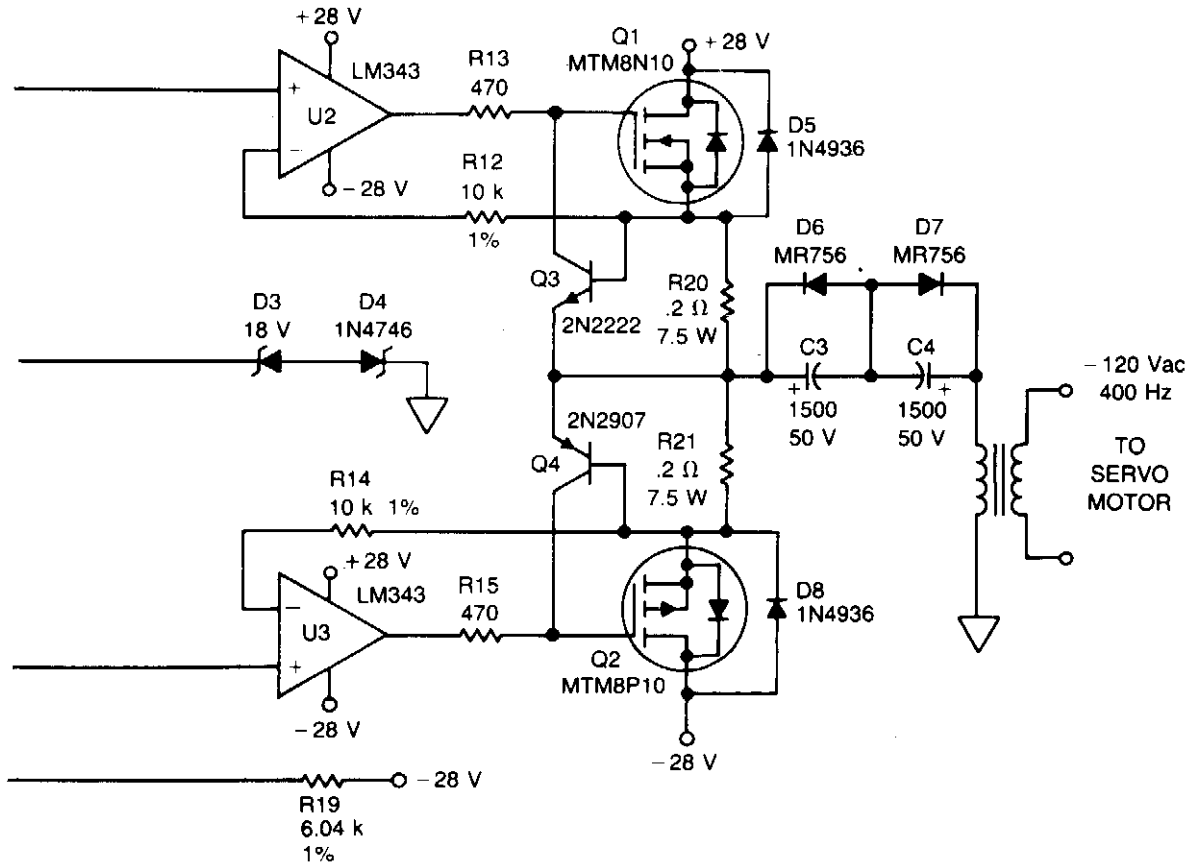
## 400 Hz SERVO AMPLIFIER



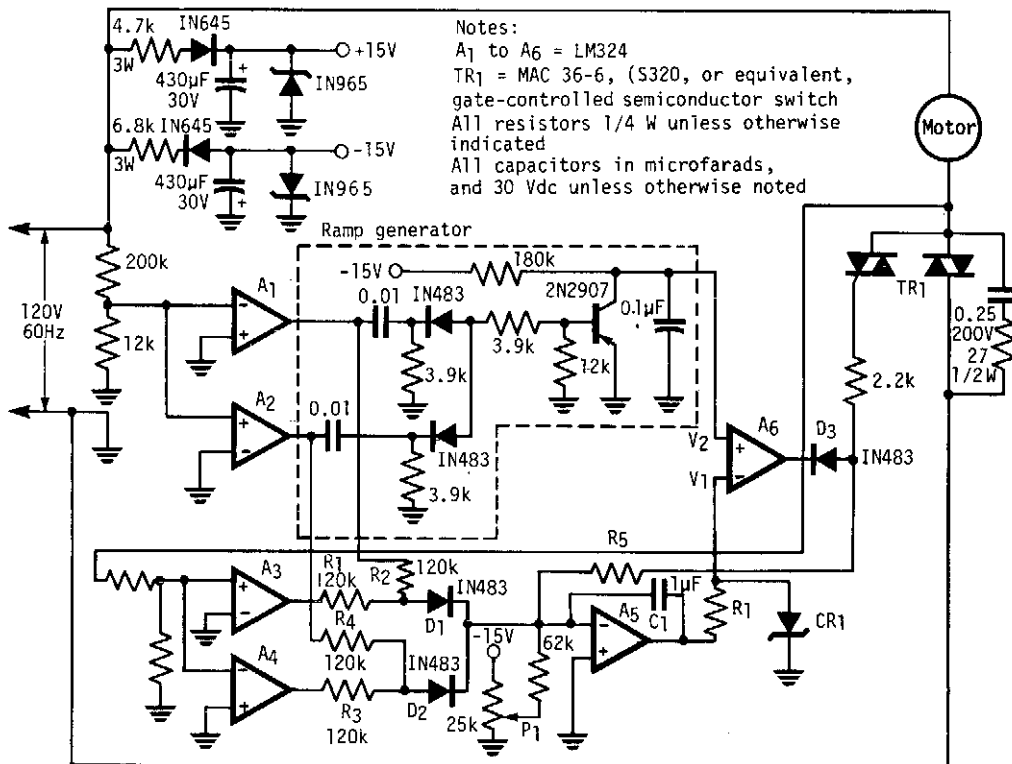
**Fig. 60-14**

### Circuit Notes

The signal from a synchro receiver or a variable resistive cam follower (potentiometer) is boosted by operational amplifier U1, whose output swing is limited by back-to-back zeners D3 and D4. The signal is then applied to operational amplifiers U2 and U3, which drive the gates of Q1 and Q2 respectively. The npn transistor (Q3) is a fast current limiter for the n-channel MTM8N10; a pnp transistor (Q4) performs the same function for the p-channel MTM8P10. Capacitors C3 and C4 eliminate the need for accurate dc offset zeroing. T1 steps up the output voltage to 120 V for the 400 Hz servo motor.



## THREE-PHASE POWER-FACTOR CONTROLLER



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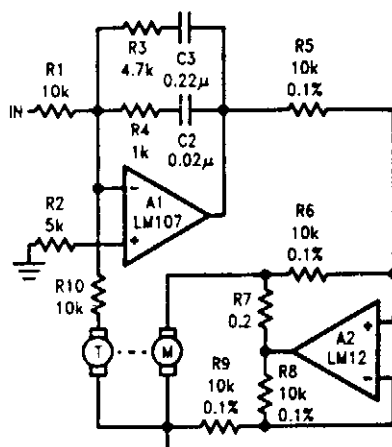
Fig. 60-15

### Circuit Notes

The modified power-factor controller, developed at the Marshall Space Flight Center, employs a phase detector for each of the three phase-windings of a delta-connected induction motor. The phase-difference sum is the basis for control. Instabilities of earlier systems are overcome with improved feedback control incorporating a 20Hz bandwidth signal.



## MOTOR/TACHOMETER SPEED CONTROL



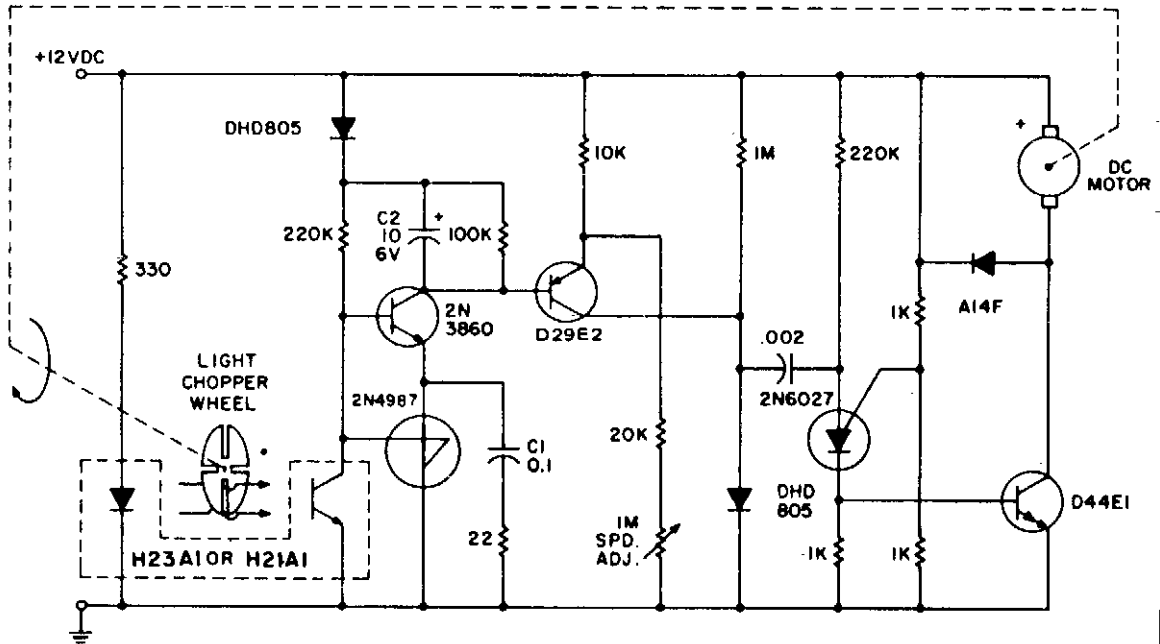
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Fig. 60-16

### Circuit Notes

The tachometer, on the same shaft as the dc motor, is simply a generator. It gives a dc output voltage proportional to the speed of the motor. A summing amplifier, A1, controls its output so that the tachometer voltage equals the input voltage, but of opposite sign. With current drive to the motor, phase lag to the tachometer is  $90^\circ$ , before the second order effects come in. Compensation on A1 is designed to give less than  $90^\circ$  phase shift over the range of frequencies where the servo loop goes through unity gain. Should response time be of less concern, a power op amp could be substituted for A1 to drive the motor directly. Lowering break frequencies of the compensation would, of course, be necessary. The circuit could also be used as a position servo. All that is needed is a voltage indicating the sense and magnitude of the motor shaft displacement from a desired position. This error signal is connected to the input, and the servo works to make it zero. The tachometer is still required to develop a phase-correcting rate signal because the error signal lags the motor drive by  $180^\circ$ .

## CLOSED LOOP, TACHOMETER FEEDBACK CONTROL



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Fig. 60-17

### Circuit Notes

The system utilizes the H21A1 and a chopper disc to provide superior speed regulation when the dynamic characteristics of the motor system and the feedback system are matched to provide stability. The tachometer feedback system illustrated was designed around specific motor/load combinations and may require modification to prevent hunting or oscillation with other combinations. This dc motor control utilizes the optachometer circuit previously shown to control a P.U.T. pulse generator that drives the D44E1 darlington transistor which powers the motor.

# 61

## Multiplier Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Analog Multiplier

0.01% Analog Multiplier

## ANALOG MULTIPLIER

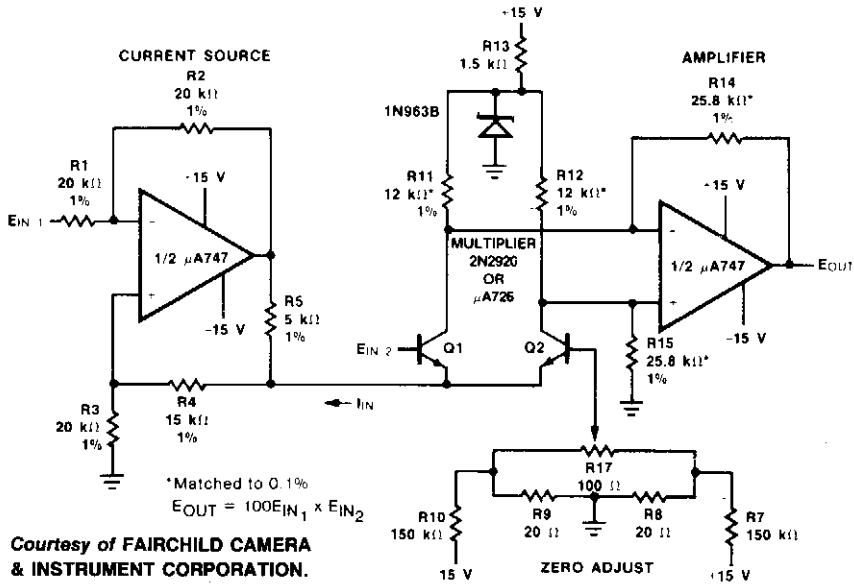
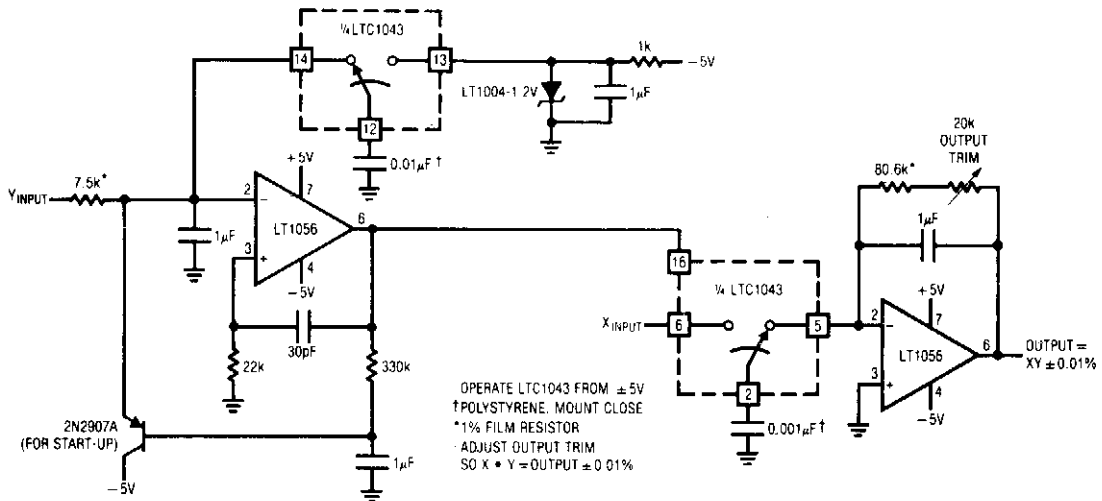


Fig. 61-1

## 0.01% ANALOG MULTIPLIER



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Fig. 61-2

### Circuit Notes

The F → V input frequency is locked to the V → F output because the LTC1043's clock is common to both sections. The F → V's reference is used as one input of the multiplier, while the V → F furnishes the other. To calibrate, short the X and Y inputs to 1.7320 V and trim for a 3-V output.

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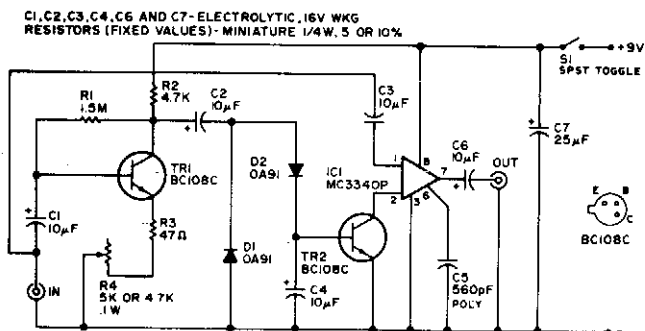
## Noise Reduction Circuits

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Audio Squelch Circuit  
Precise Audio Clipper  
Balance Amplifier with Loudness Control  
Noise Limiter  
Audio-Powered Noise Clipper

## AUDIO SQUELCH CIRCUIT



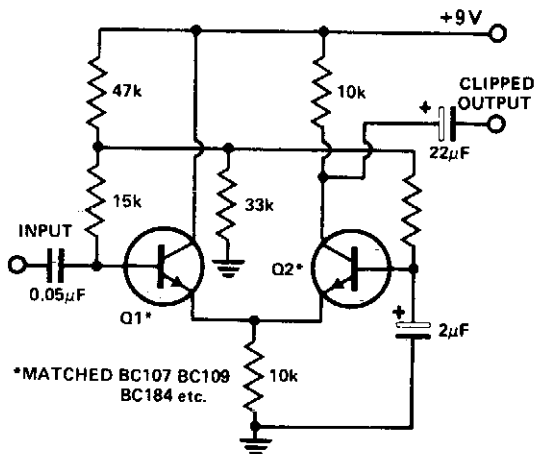
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Fig. 62-1

### Circuit Notes

This simple audio squelch unit suppresses all input signals below a preset threshold.

## PRECISE AUDIO CLIPPER



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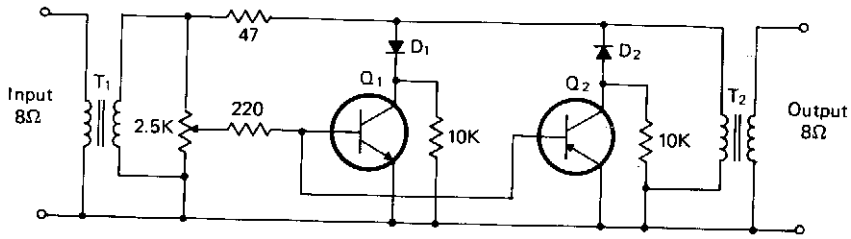
Fig. 62-2

### Circuit Notes

A differential amplifier makes an excellent audio clipper and can provide precise, symmetrical clipping. The circuit shown commences clipping at an input of 100 mV. The output commences clipping at  $\pm 3$  V. Matching Q7 and Q2 is necessary for good symmetrical clipping. (If some asymmetry can be tolerated, this need not be done.)



## AUDIO-POWERED NOISE CLIPPER



CQ

Fig. 62-5

### Circuit Notes

T1 and T2 are 600 to 8 ohm transformers (any transistor radio output transformers with 500 to 4 ohm impedance may be used). Q1 is a 2N2222 npn transistor, and Q2 is a 2N2907 pnp transistor. D1 and D2 1N270 signal diodes (HEP 134 or 135). Two transistors, powered by the audio power contained within the signal, will clip signal peaks which exceed the threshold established by the 2.5 K potentiometer. The diodes isolate the positive and negative clipping circuits represented by the npn and pnp transistors, respectively. A desired audio operating level can be established and the potentiometer needs little or no further adjustment.



## 63

# Notch Filters

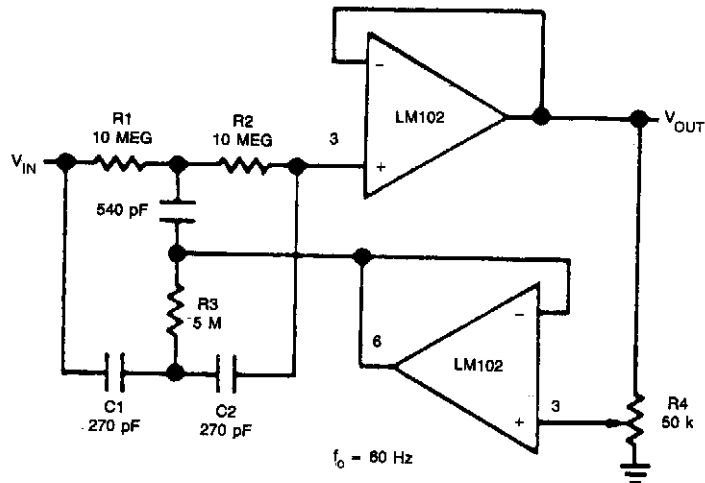
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Adjustable Q Notch Filter  
1800 Hz Notch Filter  
550 Hz Notch Filter  
Tunable Audio Notch Filter Circuit  
Audio Notch Filter

Tunable Notch Filter Uses an Operational Amplifier  
Active Band-Reject Filter  
Wien Bridge Notch Filter  
Tunable Audio Filter  
Passive Bridged, Differentiator Tunable Notch Filter

## ADJUSTABLE Q NOTCH FILTER



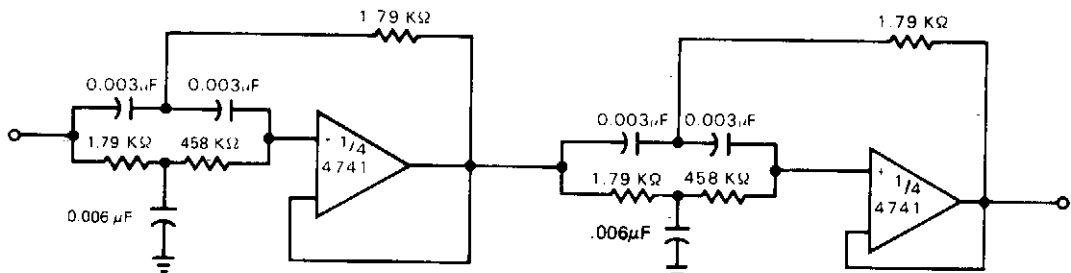
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Fig. 63-1

### Circuit Notes

In applications where the rejected signal might deviate slightly from the null on the notch network, it is advantageous to lower the Q of the network. This insures some rejection over a wider range of input frequencies. The figure shows a circuit where the Q may be varied from 0.3 to 50. A fraction of the output is fed back to R3 and C3 by a second voltage follower, and the notch Q is dependent on the amount of signal fed back. A second follower is necessary to drive the twin "T" from a low-resistance source so that the notch frequency and depth will not change with the potentiometer setting.

## 1800 Hz NOTCH FILTER



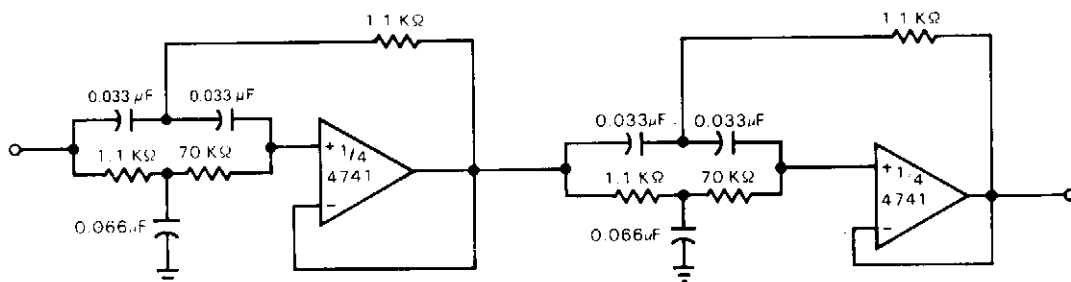
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Fig. 63-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit produces at least 60 dB of attenuation of the notch frequency.

### 550 Hz NOTCH FILTER



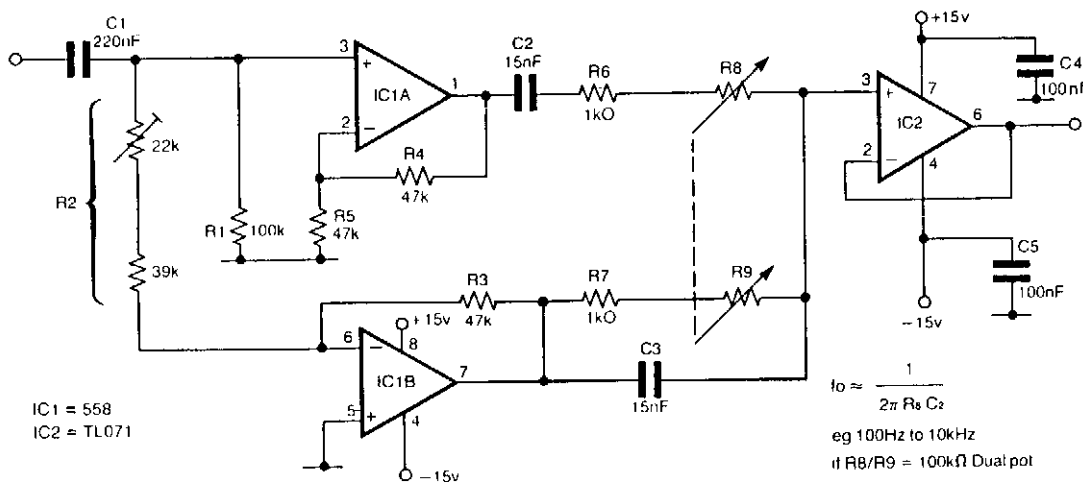
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Fig. 63-3

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit produces at least 60 dB of attenuation of the notch frequency.

### TUNABLE AUDIO NOTCH FILTER CIRCUIT



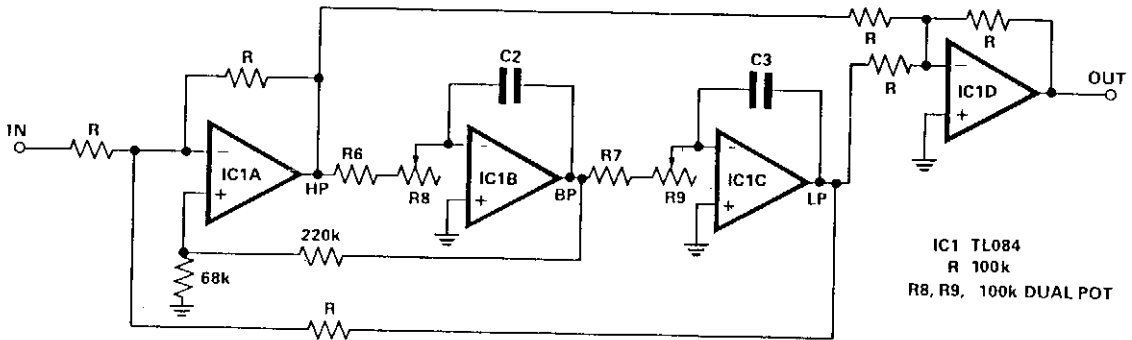
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Fig. 63-4

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit requires only one dual-ganged potentiometer to tune over a wide range; if necessary over the entire audio range in one sweep. The principle used is that of the Wien bridge, fed from anti-phase inputs. The output should be buffered as shown with a FET input op amp, particularly if a high value pot is used. An op amp with differential outputs (eg., MC1445) may be used in place of the driver ICs; R2 may be made trimmable to optimize the notch.

### AUDIO NOTCH FILTER



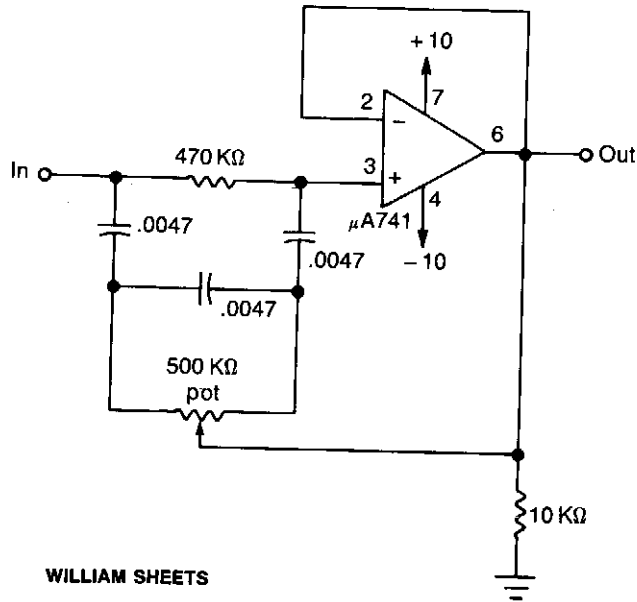
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Fig. 63-5

#### Circuit Notes

With the circuit shown here the response at one octave off tune is within 10% of the far out response: notch sharpness may be increased or reduced by reducing or increasing respectively the 68 K ohm resistor. Linearity tracking of R8 and R9 has no effect on notch depth. The signals at HP and LP are always in antiphase, notch will always be very deep at the tuned frequency, despite tolerance variations in R6-9 and C2, C3.

### TUNABLE NOTCH FILTER USES AN OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER



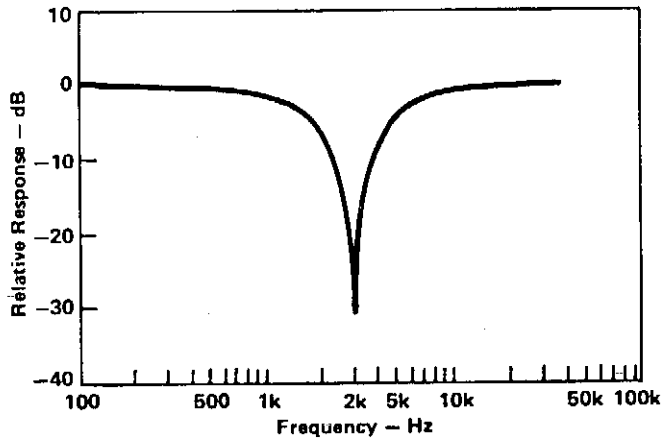
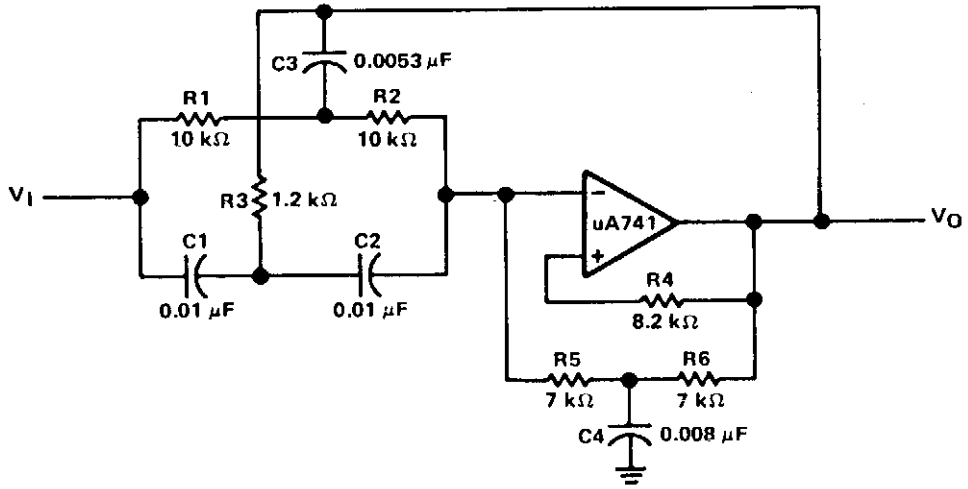
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Fig. 63-6

#### Circuit Notes

This notch filter is useful for tunable band-reject applications in the audio range. The values shown will give a tuning range of about 300-1500 Hz.

## ACTIVE BAND-REJECT FILTER



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 63-7

### Circuit Notes

A filter with a band-reject characteristic is frequently referred to as a notch filter. A typical circuit using a  $\mu\text{A} 741$  is the unity-gain configuration for this type of active filter shown. The filter response curve shown is a second-order band-reject filter with a notch frequency of 3 kHz. The resulting Q of this filter is about 23, with a notch depth of -31 dB. Although three passive T networks are used in this application, the operational amplifier has become a sharply tuned low-frequency filter without the use of inductors or large-value capacitors.

### WIEN BRIDGE NOTCH FILTER

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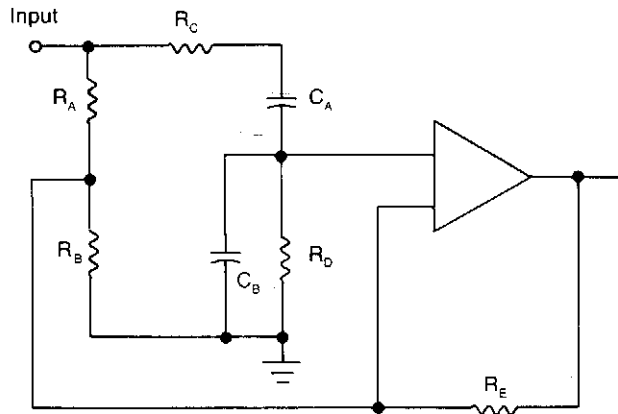
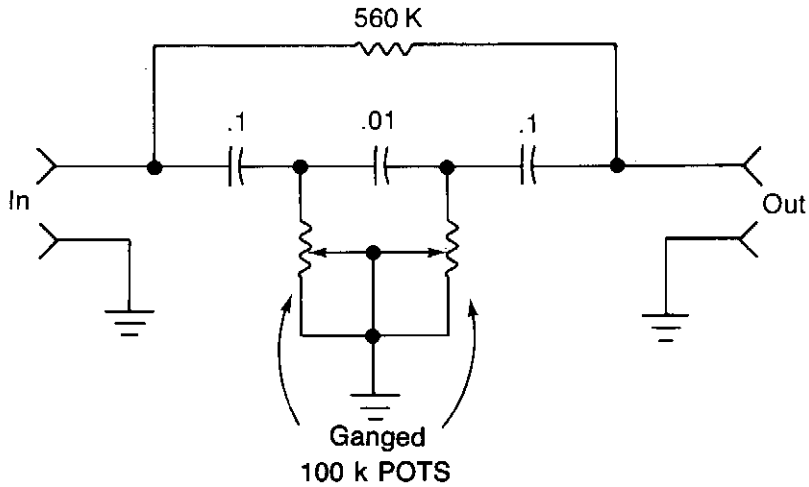


Fig. 63-8

if  $R_A = R_B = R_C = R_D = R_E = R$  and  $C_A = C_B = C$

$$f_{\text{null}} = \frac{1}{6.28 RC} \begin{matrix} R \text{ megohm} \\ C \text{ microfarad} \\ f \text{ Hertz} \end{matrix}$$

### TUNABLE AUDIO FILTER



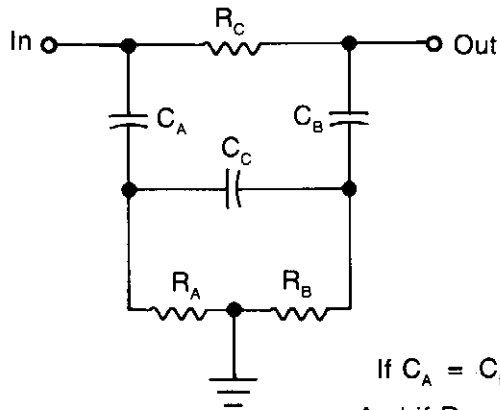
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Fig. 63-9

#### Circuit Notes

This filter covers the upper part of the audio passband and can be used to eliminate unwanted high frequencies from audio signals.

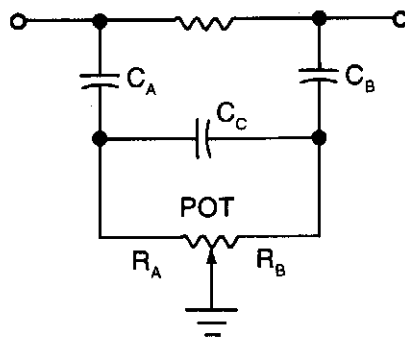
## PASSIVE BRIDGED, DIFFERENTIATOR TUNABLE NOTCH FILTER



If  $C_A = C_B = C_C = C$   
 And if  $R_3 = 6(R_A + R_B)$

$$\text{Then } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Notch} \\ \text{freq} \end{array} \right\} = \frac{1}{6.28 C \sqrt{3R_A R_B}}$$

If  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  is made a potentiometer  
 then the filter can be variable.



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Fig. 63-10

$R_A$  and  $R_B$  are sections of potentiometer.

# 64

## Operational Amplifier Circuits

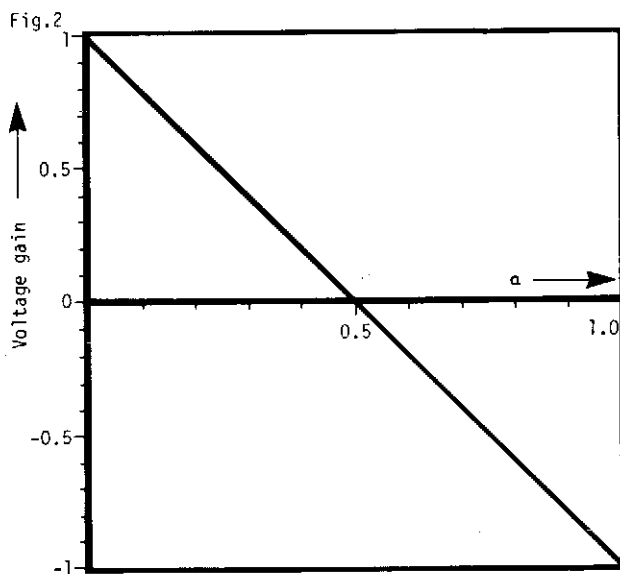
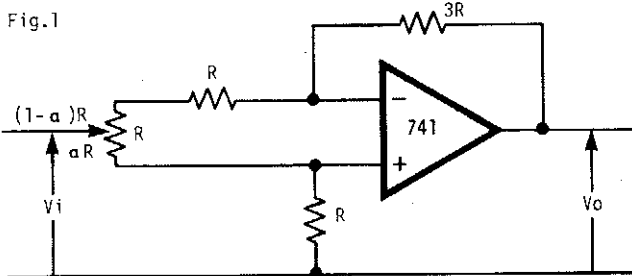
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Variable Gain and Sign Op Amp Circuit  
Single Potentiometer Adjusts Op Amp's Gain Over  
Bipolar Range



## VARIABLE GAIN AND SIGN OF AMP CIRCUIT



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Fig. 64-1

### Circuit Notes

The gain of the amplifier is smoothly-controllable between the limits of +1 to -1. It is adjustable over this range using a single potentiometer. The voltage gain of the arrangement is given by:

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{2(1-2\alpha)}{(1+\alpha)(2-\alpha)}$$

Where  $\alpha$  represents the fractional rotation of the potentiometer, R.

## SINGLE POTENTIOMETER ADJUSTS OP AMP'S GAIN OVER BIPOLAR RANGE

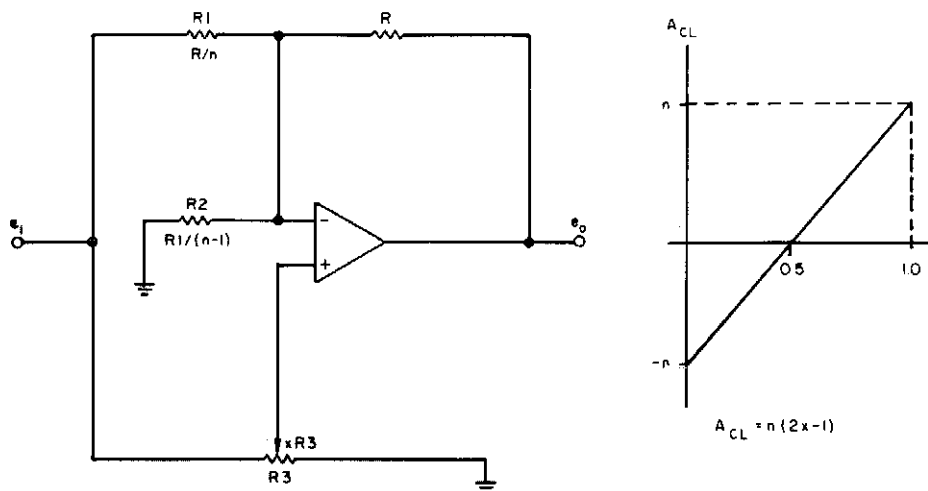


Fig. 64-2

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#### Circuit Notes

An op amp's gain level can be adjusted over its full inverting and noninverting gain range.  $R_3$  varies the signal applied to both the inverting and noninverting amplifier inputs. When the wiper position (denoted by  $x$ ) equals zero, the noninverting amplifier input is grounded. This also holds the voltage across  $R_2$  at zero, so  $R_2$  has no effect on operation. Now only  $R_1$  and  $R$  carry feedback current, and the amplifier operates at a gain of  $-n$ . At the other pot extreme, where  $x = 1$ , the input signal is connected directly to the noninverting input. Since feedback maintains a near-zero voltage between the amplifier inputs, the amplifier's inverting input will also be near the input signal level, thus little voltage is across  $R_1$ , also now the gain is  $+n$ . The amplifier should be driven from a low impedance source to minimize source loading error, low offset op amps should be used.

## 65

# Optically-Coupled Circuits

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Three-Phase Switch for Inductive Load

Integrated Solid State Relay

Stable Optocoupler

Microprocessor Triac Array Driver

DC Linear Coupler

Linear AC Analog Coupler

Simple AC Relay Using Two Photon Couplers

Linear Analog Coupler

High Sensitivity, Normally Open, Two Terminal,

Zero Voltage Switching Half-Wave Contact  
Circuit

High Speed Paper Tape Reader

Digital Transmission Isolator

Isolation and Zero Voltage Switching Logic

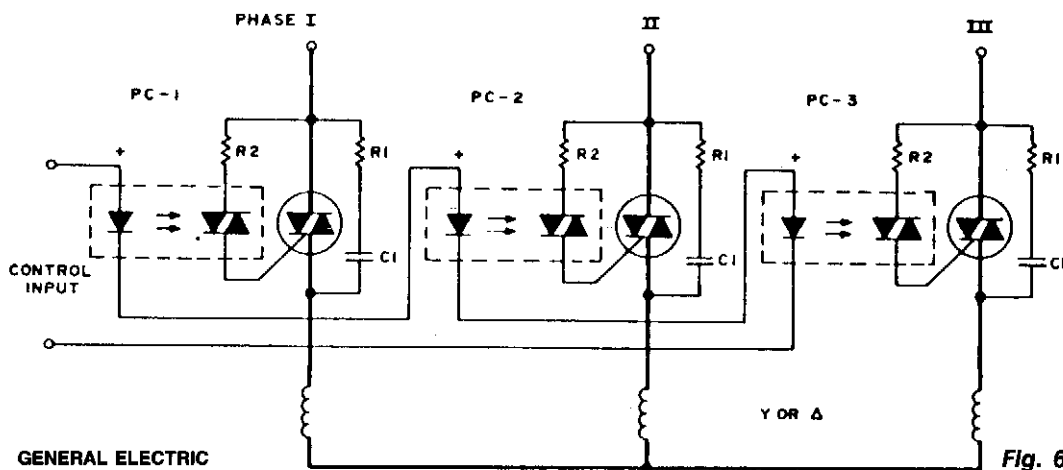
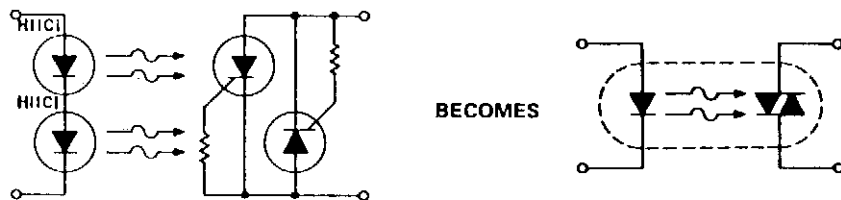
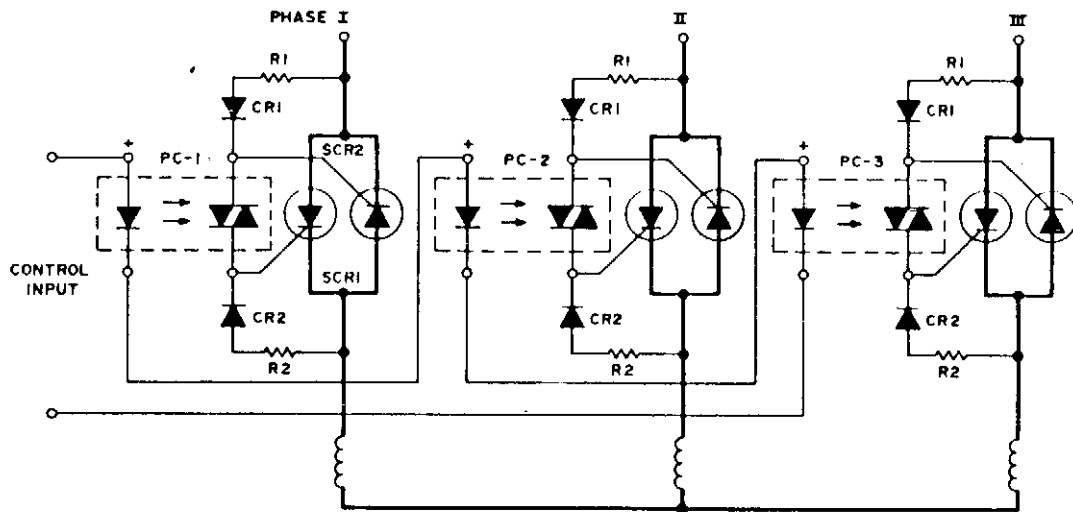
Optical Communication System

Linear Optocoupler Circuit for Instrumentation

50 kHz Center Frequency FM Optical Transmitter

Receiver for 50 kHz FM Optical Transmitter

### THREE-PHASE SWITCH FOR INDUCTIVE LOAD



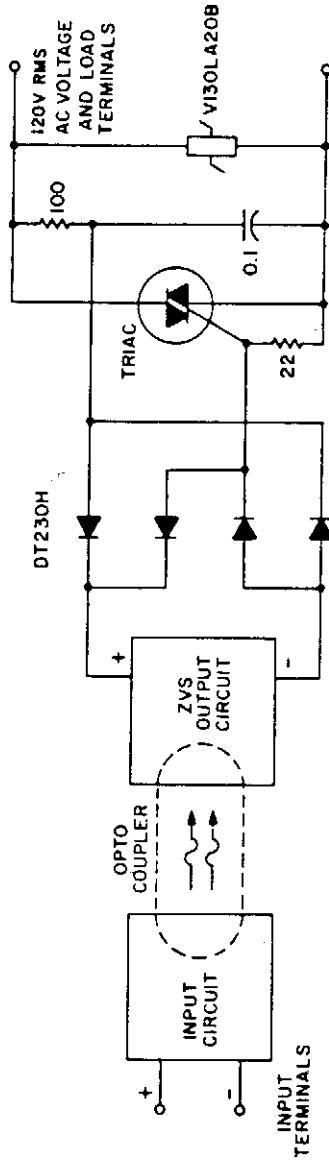
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Fig. 65-1

#### Circuit Notes

The following are three-phase switches for low voltage. Higher currents can be obtained by using inverse parallel SCRs which would be triggered as shown. To simplify the following schematics and facilitate easy understanding of the principles involved, the following schematic substitution is used (Note the triac driver is of limited use at 3  $\phi$  voltage levels).

## INTEGRATED SOLID STATE RELAY



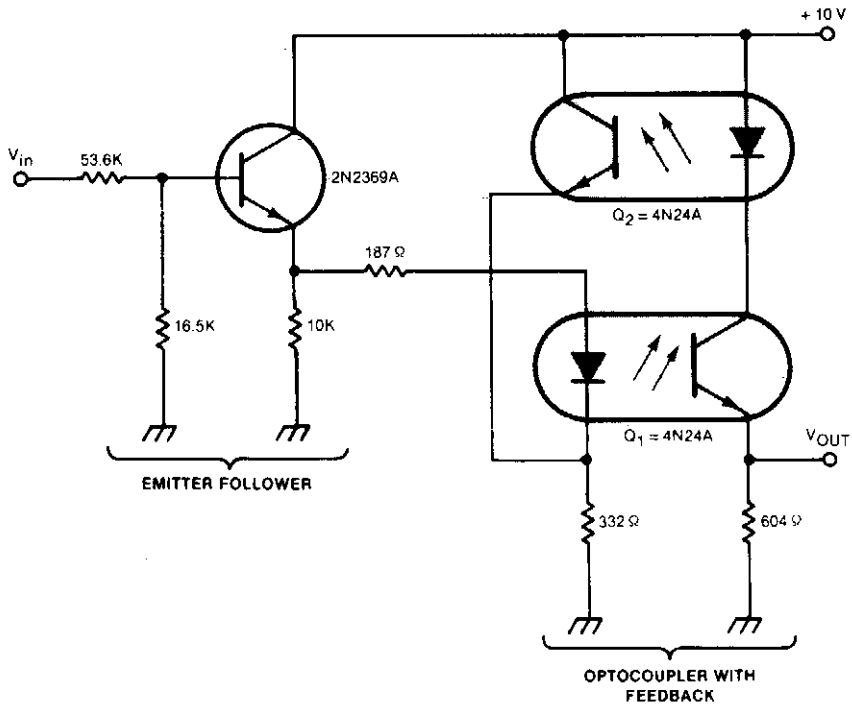
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Fig. 65-2

### Circuit Notes

A complete zero-voltage switch solid-state relay contains an input circuit, an output circuit, and the power thyristor. The circuit illustrates a triac power thyristor with snubber circuit and GE-MOVR II Varistor transient over-voltage protection. The 22 ohm resistor shunts di/dt currents, passing through the bridge diode capacitances, from the triac gate, while the 100 ohm resistor limits surge and gate currents to safe levels. Although the circuits illustrated are for 120-V rms operation, relays that operate on 220 V require higher voltage ratings on the MOV, rectifier diodes, triac, and pilot SCR. The voltage divider that senses zero crossing must also be selected to minimize power dissipation in the transistor optisolator circuit for 220-V operation.

## STABLE OPTOCOUPLER



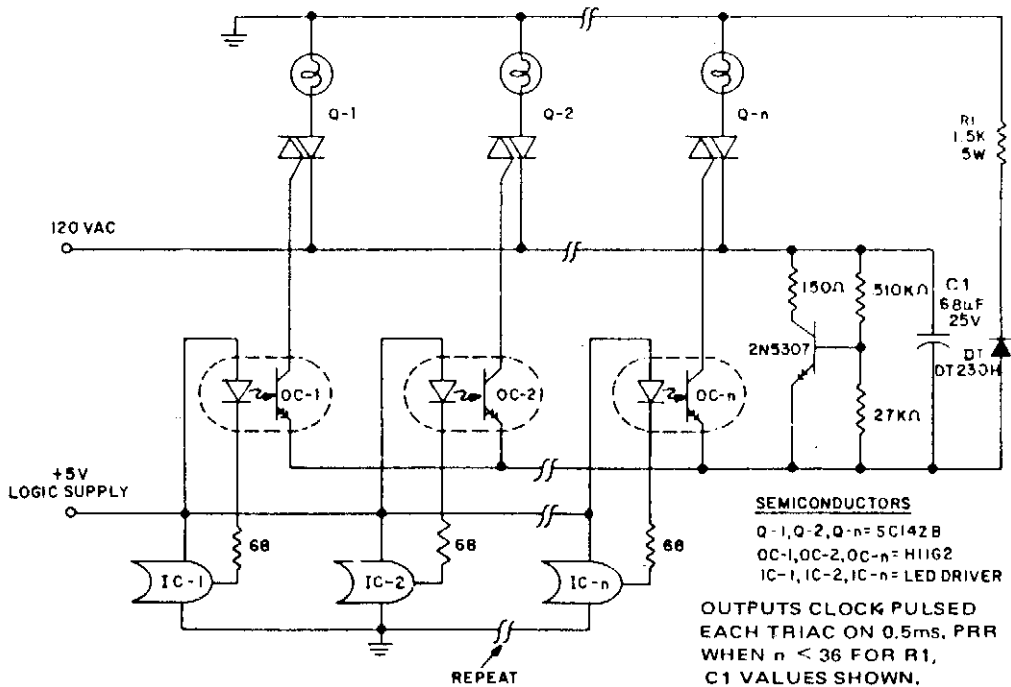
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Fig. 65-3

### Circuit Notes

A circuit stabilizes the current-transfer ratio (CTR) of an optically coupled isolator used as a linear transducer. The optocoupler produces a voltage output that is proportional to—but electrically isolated from—the voltage input. However, the output voltage is directly affected by changes in the CTR, and the CTR can change substantially with temperature and current. To a lesser extent the CTR changes with time over the life of the optocoupler. The circuit employs a feedback circuit containing a second optocoupler. The feedback signal tends to oppose changes in the overall CTR.

## MICROPROCESSOR TRIAC ARRAY DRIVER



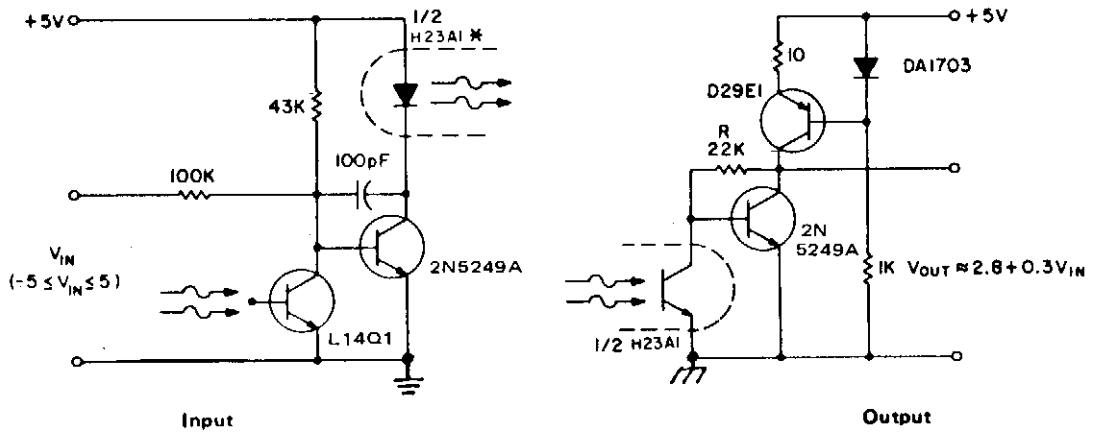
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Fig. 65-4

### Circuit Notes

In microprocessor control of multiple loads, the minimum cost per load is critical. A typical application example is a large display involving driving arrays of incandescent lamps. This circuit provides minimal component cost per stage and optocoupler triggering of triac power switches from logic outputs. The minimal component cost is attained by using more complex software in the logic. A darlington output optocoupler provides gate current pulses to the triac, with cost advantages gained from eliminating the current limiting resistor and from the low cost coupler. The trigger current source is a dipped tantalum capacitor, charged from the line via a series resistor with coarse voltage regulation being provided by the darlington signal transistor. The resistor and capacitor are shared by all the darlington-triac pairs and are small in size and cost due to the low duty cycle of pulsing. Coupler IRED current pulses are supplied for the duration of one logic clock pulse (2-10  $\mu$ sec), at 0.4 to 1 msec intervals, from a LED driver I.C. The pulse timing is derived from the clock waveform when the logic system requires triac conduction. A current limiting resistor is not used, which prevents Miller effect slowdown of the H11G2 switching speed to the extent the triac is supplied insufficient current to trigger. Optodarlington power dissipation is controlled by the low duty cycle and the capacitor supply characteristics.

## DC LINEAR COUPLER



LINEAR OPTICAL COUPLER CIRCUIT

\*Closely positioned to illuminate L14Q1 and H23A1 Detector, such that  $V_{OUT} \approx 2.8V$  at  $V_{IN} = 0$ .

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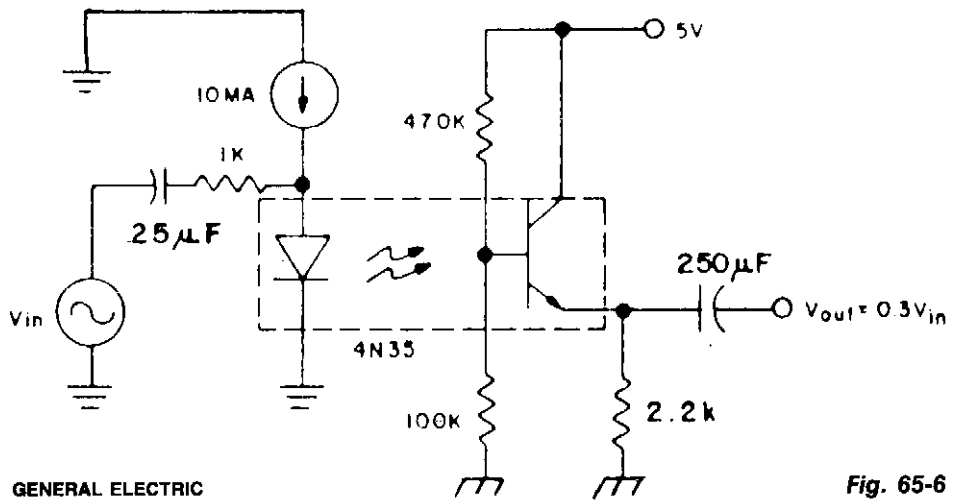
Fig. 65-5

### Circuit Notes

The accuracy of direct linear coupling of analog current signals via an optocoupler is determined by the coupler linearity and its temperature coefficient. Use of an additional coupler for feedback can provide linearity only if the two couplers are perfectly matched and identically biased. These are not practical constraints in most equipment designs and indicate the need for a different design approach. One of the most successful solutions to this problem can be illustrated by using an H23 emitter-detector pair and a L14H4. The H23 detector and L14H4 are placed so both are illuminated by the H23 IRED emitter. Ideally, the circuit is mechanically designed such that the H23 emitter may be positioned to provide  $V_{OUT} = 2.8V$  when  $V_{IN} = 0$ , thereby insuring collector current matching in the detectors. Then all three devices are locked in position relative to each other. Otherwise, R may be adjusted to provide the proper null level, although temperature tracking should prove worse when R is adjusted. Note that the input bias is dependent on power supply voltage, although the output is relatively independent of supply variations. Testing indicated linearity was better than could be resolved, due to alignment motion caused by using plastic tape to lock positions. The concept of feedback control of IRED power output is useful for both information transmission and sensing circuitry.



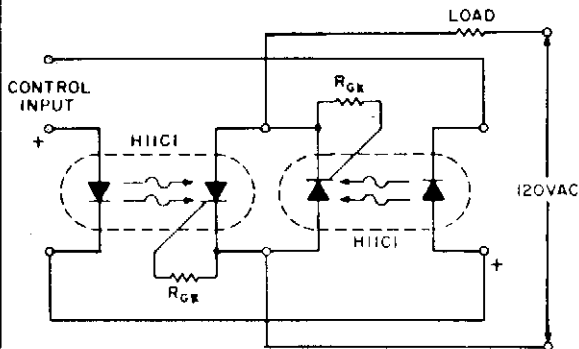
### LINEAR AC ANALOG COUPLER



#### Circuit Notes

With the coupler biased in the linear region by the 10 mA dc bias on the IRED and the voltage divider on the phototransistor base, photodiode current flows out of the base into the voltage divider, producing an ac voltage proportional to the ac current in the IRED. The transistor is biased as an emitter follower and requires less than 10% of the photodiode current to produce the low impedance ac output across the emitter resistor. Note that the H11AV1 may be substituted for the 4N35 to provide VDE line voltage rated isolation of less than 0.5 pF.

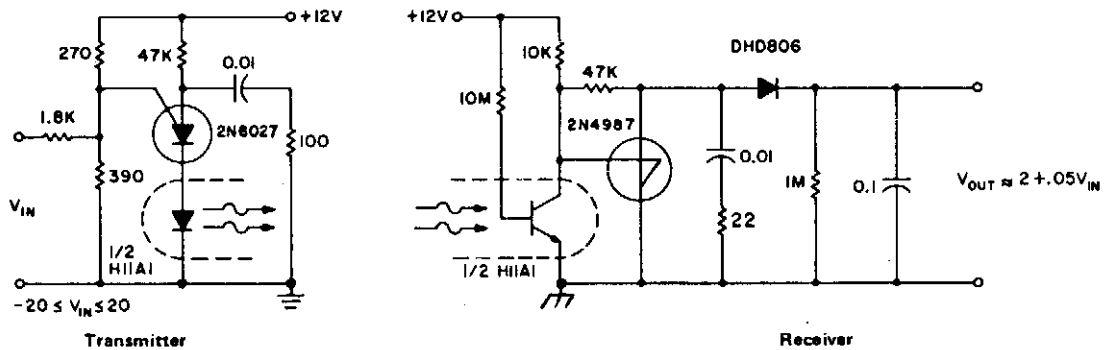
### SIMPLE AC RELAY USING TWO PHOTON COUPLERS



#### Circuit Notes

If load current requirements are relatively low (i.e. maximum forward rms current 500 mA), an ac solid state relay can be constructed quite simply by the connection of two H11C optically coupled SCRs in a back-to-back configuration as illustrated.

## LINEAR ANALOG COUPLER



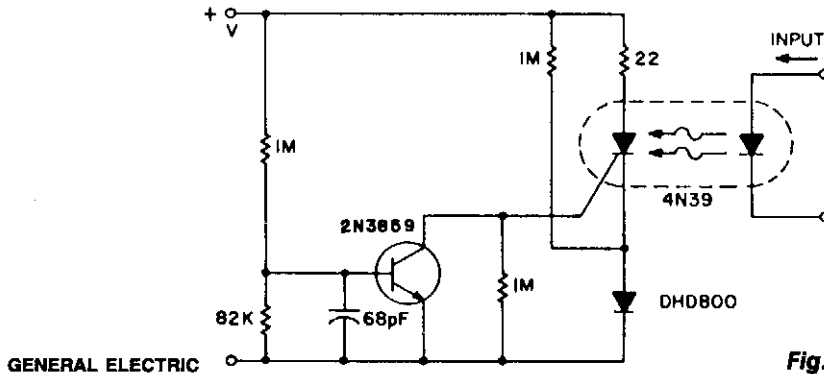
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 65-8

### Circuit Notes

The minimum parts count version of this system provides isolated, linear signal transfer useful at shorter distances or with an optocoupler for linear information transfer. Although the output is low level and cannot be loaded significantly without harming accuracy, a single I.C. operational or instrumentation amplifier can supply both the linear gain and buffering for use with a variety of loads.

## HIGH SENSITIVITY, NORMALLY OPEN, TWO TERMINAL, ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCHING, HALF-WAVE CONTACT CIRCUIT



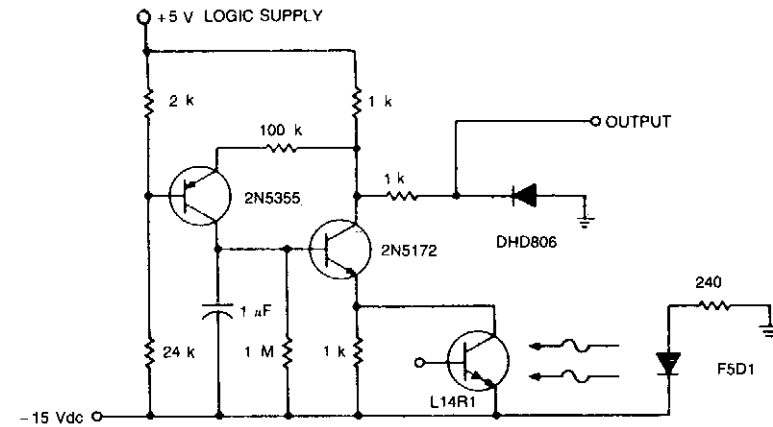
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Fig. 65-9

### Circuit Notes

The SCR coupler circuit provides higher sensitivity to input signals as illustrated. This allows the lower cost 4N39 (H11C3) to be used with the  $> 7$  mA drive currents supplied by the input circuit.

## HIGH SPEED PAPER TAPE READER



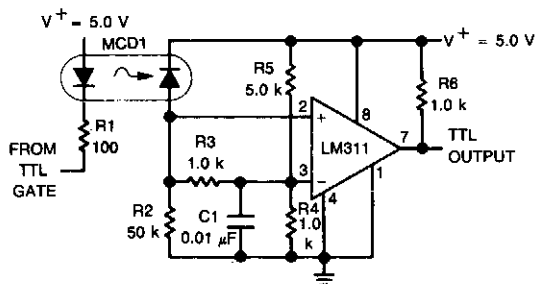
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Fig. 65-10

### Circuit Notes

When computer peripheral equipment is interfaced, it is convenient to work with logic signal levels. With a nominal 4 V at the output dropping to  $-0.6$  V on illumination, this circuit reflects the requirements of a high-speed, paper tape optical reader system. The circuit operates at rates of up to 1000 bits per second. It will also operate at tape translucency such that 50% of the incident light is transmitted to the sensor, and provide a fixed threshold signal to the logic circuit, all at low cost. Several circuit tricks are required. Photodarlington speed is enhanced by cascode constant voltage biasing. The output threshold and tape translucency requirements are provided for by sensing the output voltage and operating to 2000 bits per second at ambient light levels equal to signal levels.

## DIGITAL TRANSMISSION ISOLATOR



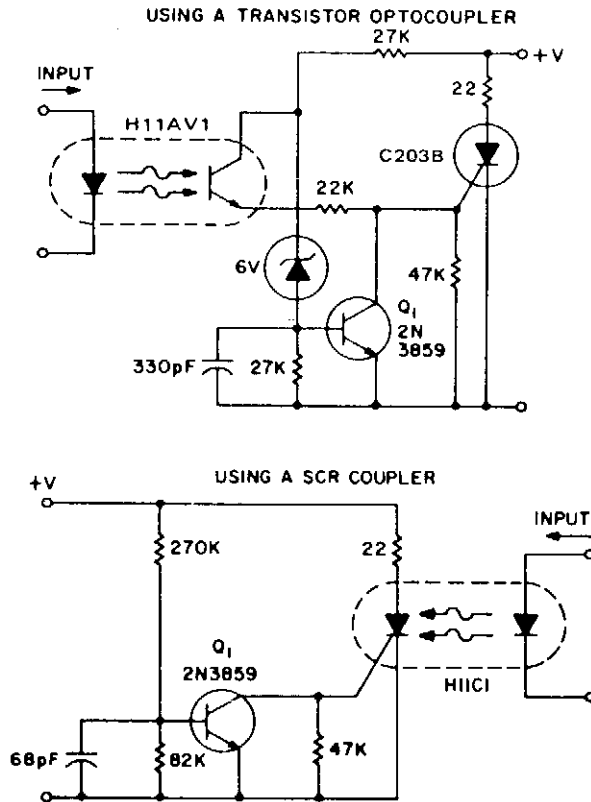
National Semiconductor Corp.

Fig. 65-11

### Circuit Notes

An optoelectronics device is used to couple a digital (TTL) signal to another system. The photodiode in the optocoupler drives an LM311 set up to produce a TTL compatible output. It is useful where grounds are not able to be connected for any reason.

## ISOLATION AND ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCHING LOGIC



NORMALLY OPEN, TWO TERMINAL, ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCHING HALF WAVE CONTACT CIRCUITS

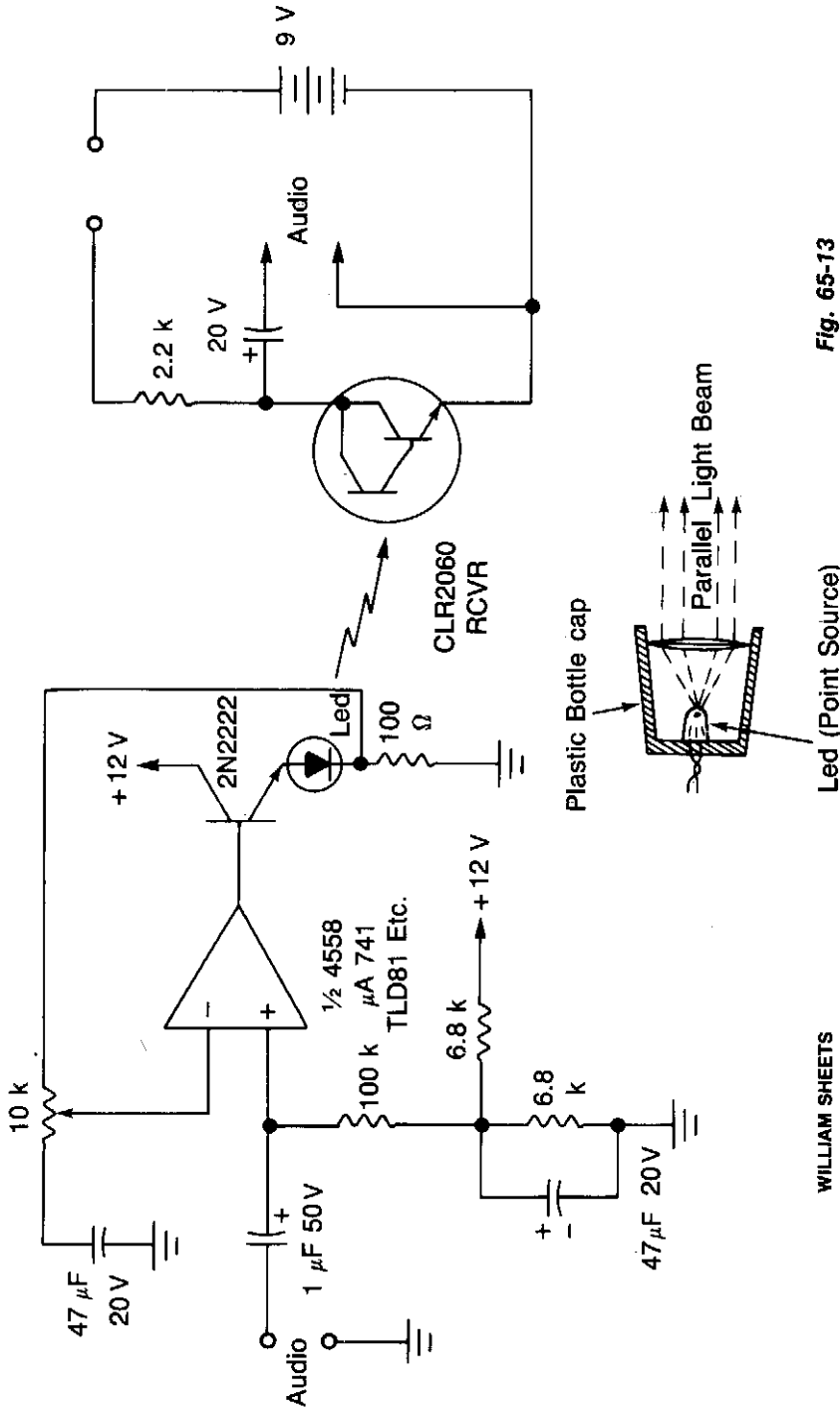
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 65-12

### Circuit Notes

These two simple circuits provide zero voltage switching. They can be used with full wave bridges or in antiparallel to provide full wave control and are normally used to trigger power thyristors. If an input signal is present during the time the ac voltage is between 0 to 7 V, the SCR will turn on. But, if the ac voltage has risen above this range and the input signal is then applied, the transistor, Q1, will be biased to the "on" state and will hold the SCR and, consequently, the relay "off" until the next zero crossing.

# OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 65-13

### Circuit Notes

The circuit will modulate the light from the LED using a crystal microphone or a loudspeaker output. To obtain the maximum range, the optical system must be efficient (see example). Either a convex lens or a concave mirror can be used to convert the LED output into a parallel beam. The received light is concentrated onto a sensitive photodarlington transistor. At short range the signal across the load resistor is adequate to drive a crystal earpiece, for longer range an amplifier and a loudspeaker are needed.

### 50 kHz CENTER FREQUENCY FM OPTICAL TRANSMITTER

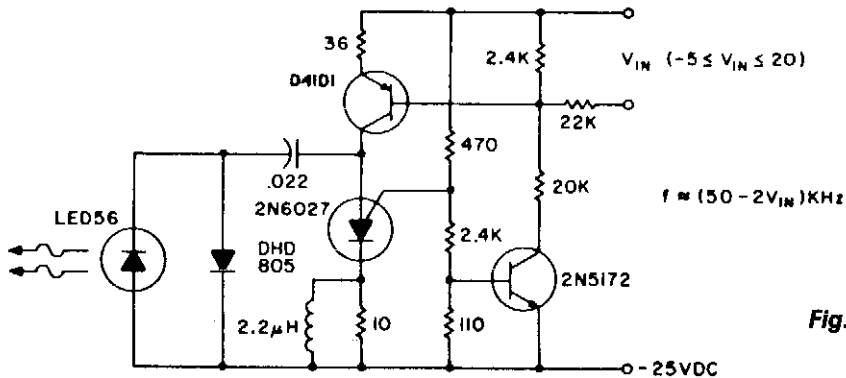


Fig. 65-14

GENERAL ELECTRIC

#### Circuit Notes

The pulse repetition rate is relatively insensitive to temperature, and power supply voltage and is a linear function of  $V_{IN}$ , the modulating voltage. Useful information transfer was obtained in free air ranges of 12 feet ( $\approx 4m$ ). Lenses or reflectors at the light emitter and detector increases range and minimizes stray light noise effects. Greater range can also be obtained by using a higher power output IRED such as the F5D1 in combination with the L14P2 phototransistor. Average power consumption of the transmitter circuit is less than 3 watts.

### LINEAR OPTOCOUPLER CIRCUIT FOR INSTRUMENTATION

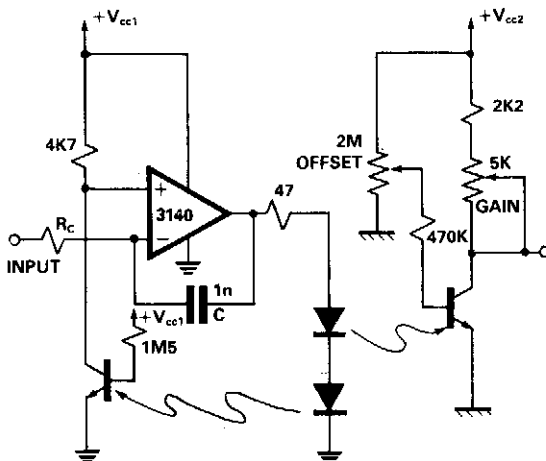


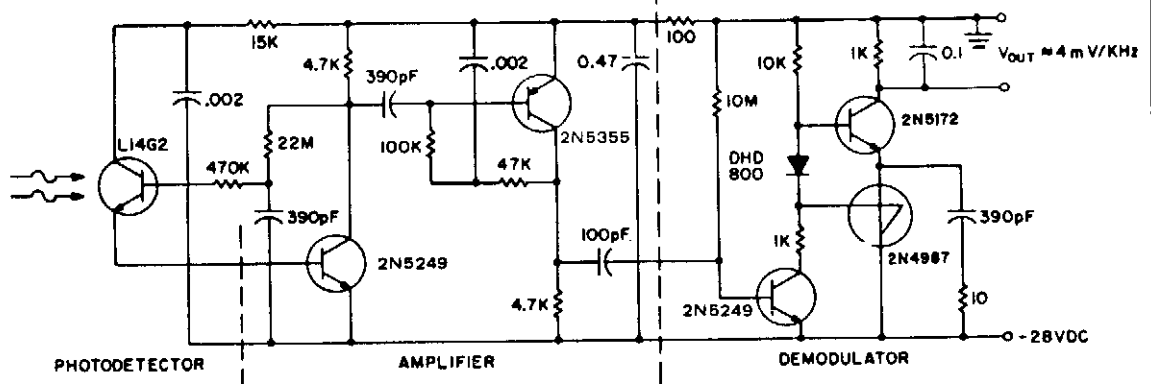
Fig. 65-15

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#### Circuit Notes

A dual optocoupler is used in a configuration which has the same current throughout as the LEDs. Assuming similar optocoupler features the output voltage must be equal to the non-inverting input voltage. Since the op amp is within a closed loop the output voltage becomes equal to the input voltage.  $R_c$  and  $C$  perform as a compensation network to prevent oscillations.

## RECEIVER FOR 50 kHz FM OPTICAL TRANSMITTER



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 65-16

### Circuit Notes

For maximum range, the receiver must be designed in the same manner as a radio receiver front end, since the received signals will be similar in both frequency component and in amplitude of the photodiode current. The major constraint on the receiver performance is signal to noise ratio, followed by e.m. shielding, stability, bias points, parts layout, etc. These become significant details in the final design. This receiver circuit consists of a L14G2 detector, two stages of gain, and a FM demodulator which is the tachometer circuit, modified to operate up to 100 kHz. Better sensitivity can be obtained using more stages of stabilized gain with AGC, lower cost and sensitivity may be obtained by using an H23A1 emitter-detector pair and/or by eliminating amplifier stages. For some applications, additional filtering of the output voltage may be desired.

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## Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

RF-Genie

Emitter-Coupled Big Loop Oscillator

Simple Triangle Square Wave Oscillator

Oscillator Adjustable over 10:1 Range

One Second, 1 kHz Oscillator

Single Control Four-Decade Variable Oscillator

Tunable Frequency Oscillators

Resistance Controlled Digital Oscillator

Cassette Bias Oscillator

1 kHz Oscillator

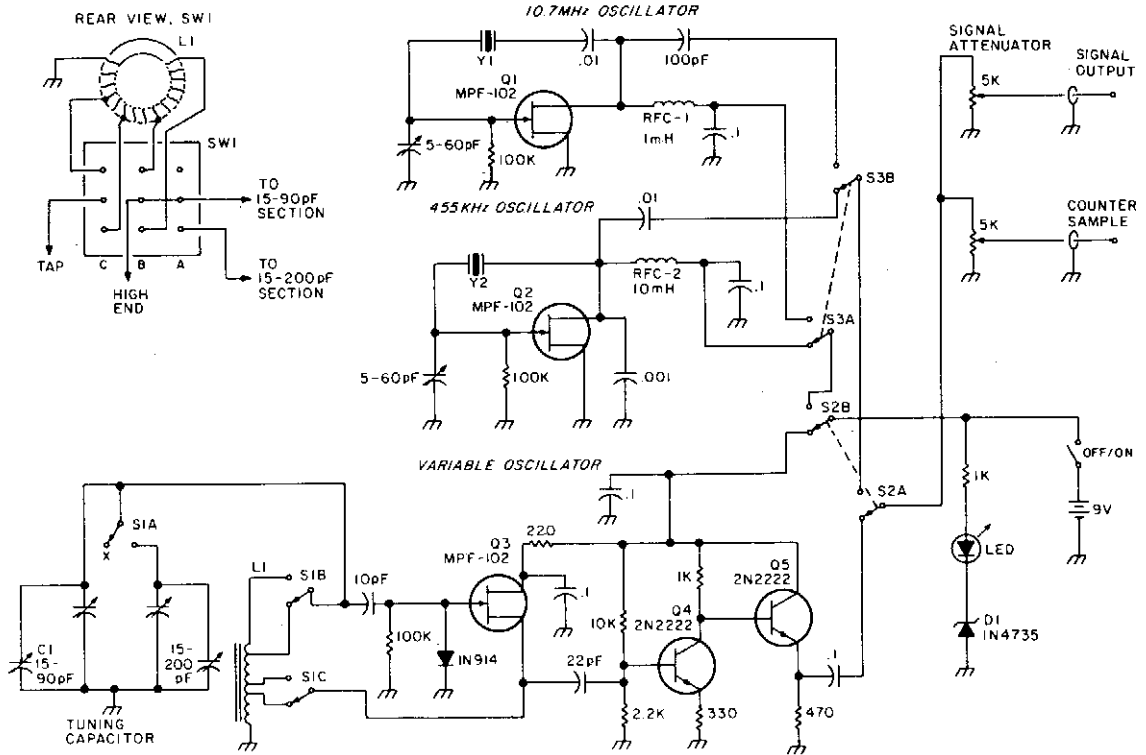
Inexpensive Oscillator is Temperature Stable

Code Practice Oscillator

Wide Range Variable Oscillator



## RF-GENIE



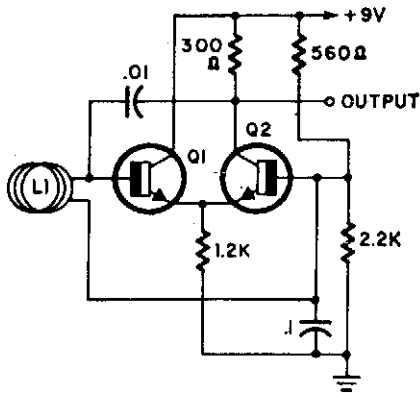
73 MAGAZINE

Fig. 66-1

### Circuit Notes

A variable oscillator covers 3.2 to 22 MHz in two bands—providing coverage of 80 through 15 meters plus most crystal-filter frequencies. Optional 455 kHz and 10.7 MHz crystal oscillators can be switched on-line for precise *if* alignment. Generator output is on the order of 4 volts p-p into a 500 ohm load. A simple voltage-divider attenuator controls the generator's output level, and a second output provides sufficient drive for an external frequency counter.

### EMITTER-COUPLED BIG LOOP OSCILLATOR



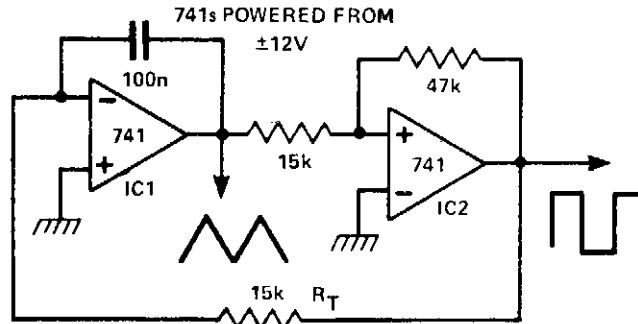
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 66-2

#### Circuit Notes

L1 is a loop of 10 to 20 turns of insulated wire with a diameter anywhere between 4" to 4'. Oscillator frequency (7 to 30 MHz) shifts substantially when a person comes near or into the loop. This oscillator together with a resonant detector might make a very good anti-personnel alarm. Transistors are 2N2926 or equivalent.

### SIMPLE TRIANGLE SQUARE WAVE OSCILLATOR



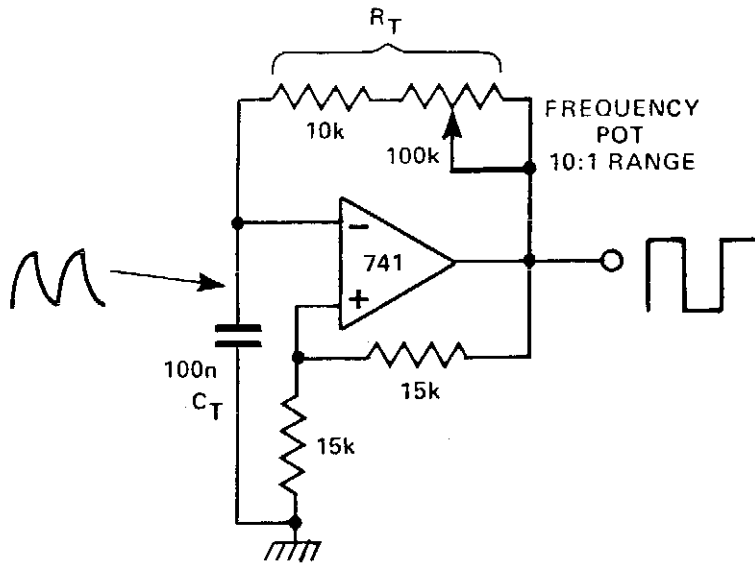
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Fig. 66-3

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit generates simultaneously, a triangle and a square waveform. It is self starting and has no latch up problems. IC1 is an integrator with a slew rate determined by CT and RT and IC2 is a Schmitt trigger. The output of IC1 ramps up and down between the hysteresis levels of the Schmitt, the output of which drives the integrator. By making RT variable, it is possible to alter the operating frequency over a 100 to 1 range. Three resistors, one capacitor, and a dual op amp is all that is needed to make a versatile triangle and square wave oscillator with a possible frequency range of 0.1 Hz to 100 kHz.

## OSCILLATOR ADJUSTABLE OVER 10:1 RANGE



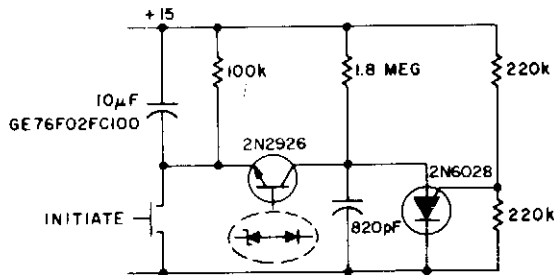
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Fig. 66-4

### Circuit Notes

In this circuit, there are two feedback paths around an op amp. One is positive dc feedback which forms a Schmitt trigger. The other is a CR timing network. Imagine that the output voltage is +10 V. The voltage at the noninverting terminal is +15 V. The voltage at the inverting terminal is a rising voltage with a time constant of  $C_T R_T$ . When this voltage exceeds +5 V, the op amp's output will go low and the Schmitt trigger action will make it snap into its negative state. Now the output is -10 V and the voltage at the inverting terminal falls with the time constant as before. By changing this time constant with a variable resistor, a variable frequency oscillation may be produced.

## ONE SECOND, 1 kHz OSCILLATOR



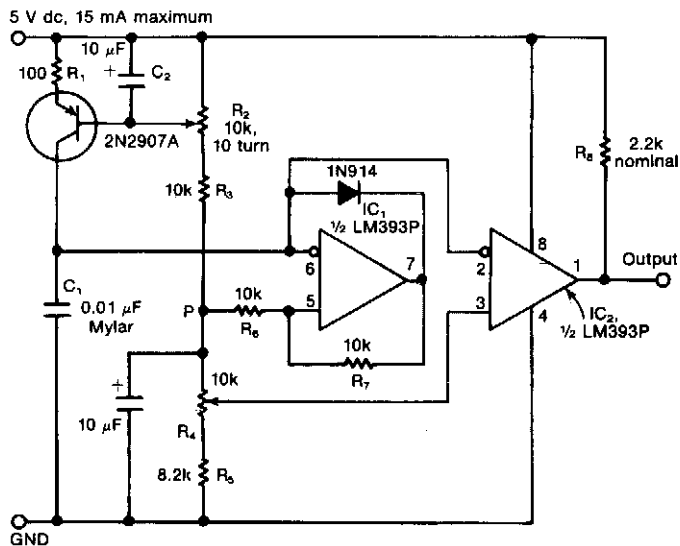
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 66-5

### Circuit Notes

This circuit operates as an oscillator and a timer. The 2N6028 is normally on due to excess holding current through the 100 k resistor. When the switch is momentarily closed, the 10  $\mu$ F capacitor is charged to a full 15 volts and 2N2926 starts oscillating (1.8 M and 820 pF). The circuit latches when 2N2926 zener breaks down again.

## SINGLE CONTROL FOUR-DECADE VARIABLE OSCILLATOR



**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**Fig. 66-6**

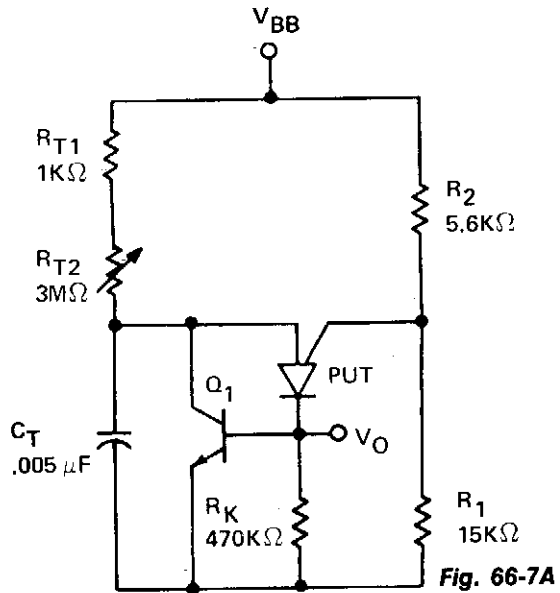
### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of a variable current source that charges a capacitor, which is rapidly discharged by a Schmitt-trigger comparator. The sawtooth waveform thus produced is fed to another comparator, one with a variable switching level. The output from the second comparator is a pulse train with an independently adjustable frequency and duty cycle. The variable-frequency ramp generator consists of capacitor C1, which is charged by a variable and nonlinear current source. The latter comprises a 2N2907A pnp transistor, plus resistor R1 and the potentiometer R2. Capacitor C2 eliminates any ripple or noise at the base of the transistor that might cause frequency jitter at the output.

## TUNABLE FREQUENCY OSCILLATORS

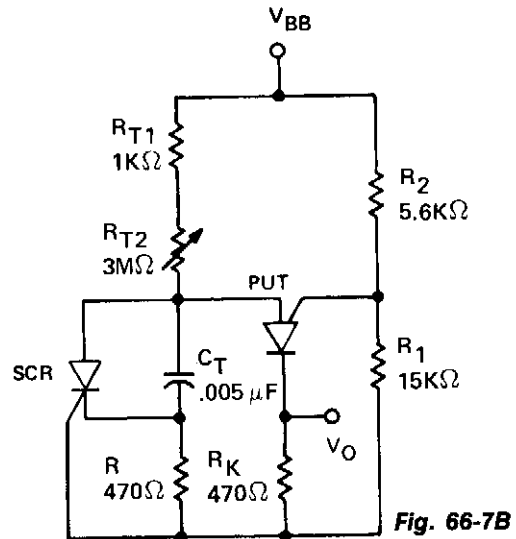
**FREQUENCY RANGE**  
40 Hz to 65 kHz

**OUTPUT PULSE**  
Rise time ~ 200 nsec.  
Pulse width ~ 10  $\mu$ sec.  
Recovery time < 200 nsec.



**FREQUENCY RANGE**  
40 Hz to 40 kHz

**OUTPUT PULSE**  
Width ~ 5  $\mu$ sec.



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### Circuit Notes

The variable oscillator circuit includes active elements for discharging the timing capacitor  $C_T$  shown in Fig. 66-7A. A second method is given as in Fig. 66-7B.

## RESISTANCE CONTROLLED DIGITAL OSCILLATOR

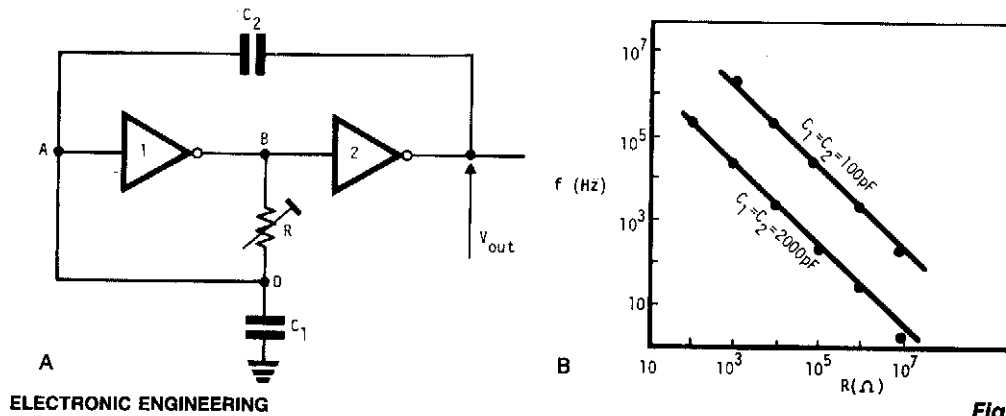


Fig. 66-8

### Circuit Notes

This very simple, low cost oscillator, is built with two CMOS buffer inverters, two capacitors and a variable resistance. The circuit can work with voltages ranging from 4 V up to 18 V. If  $C_1 = C_2$ , the frequency of oscillation, (ignoring the output and input impedance) is given by:

$$f = \frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{2RC}}$$

The graph in Fig. B shows how the output frequency varies with resistance when  $C_1 = C_2 = 100 \text{ pF}$  and  $C_1 = C_2 = 2000 \text{ pF}$ .

## CASSETTE BIAS OSCILLATOR

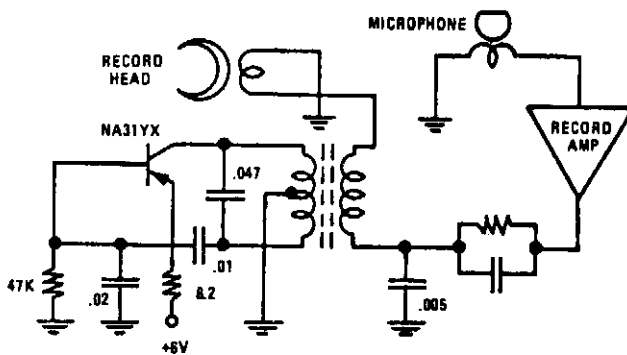
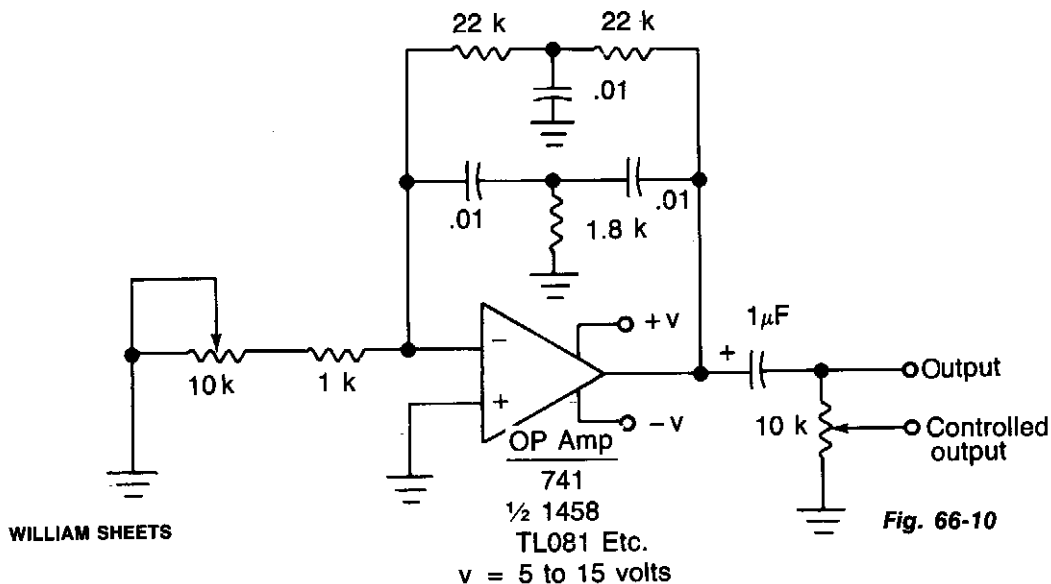


Fig. 66-9

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### 1 kHz OSCILLATOR



#### Circuit Notes

If fine output control is desired, add the 10 K potentiometer. When the oscillator is connected to a dc circuit then connect a dc blocking capacitor in series with the potentiometer's wiper arm.

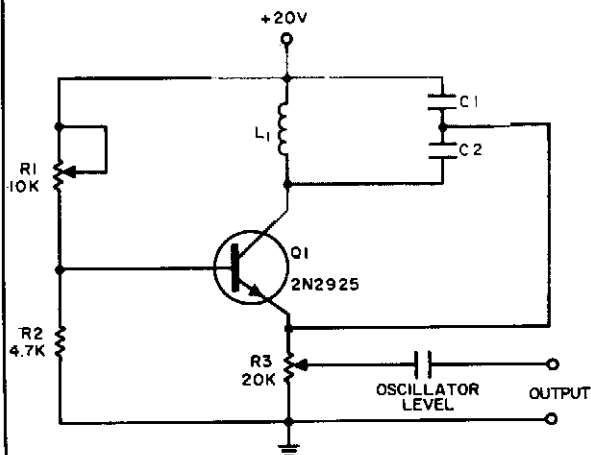
### INEXPENSIVE OSCILLATOR IS TEMPERATURE STABLE

#### Circuit Notes

The Colpitts sinusoidal oscillator provides stable output amplitude and frequency from 0°F to +150°F. In addition, output amplitude is large and harmonic distortion is low. Oscillation is sustained by feedback from the collector tank circuit to the emitter. The oscillator's frequency is determined by:

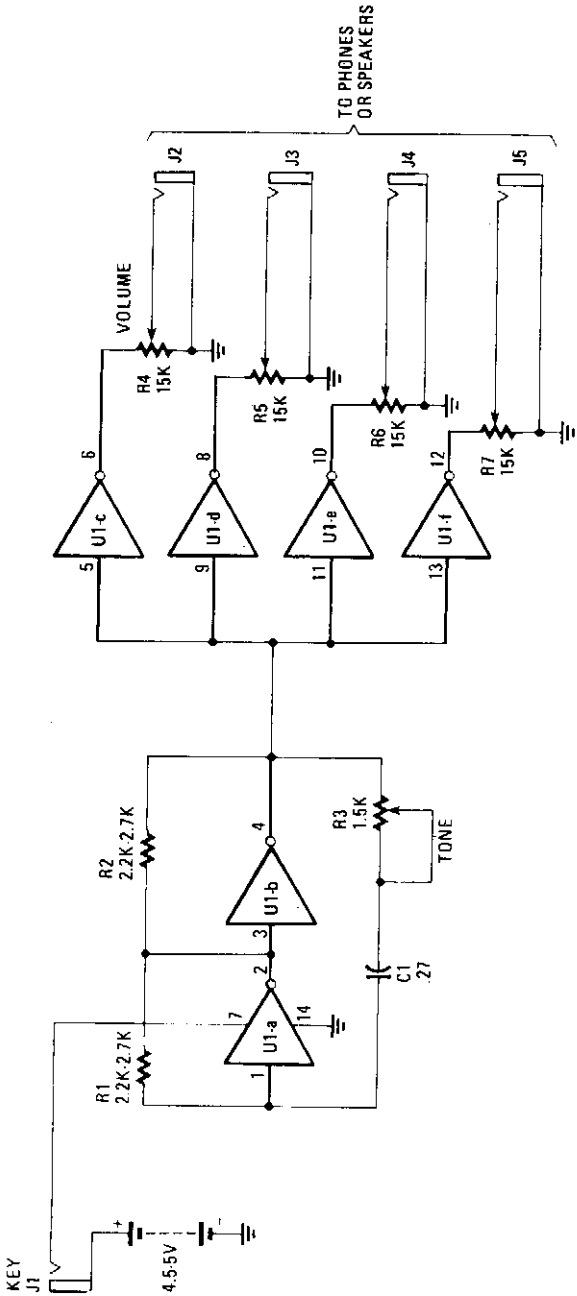
$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L_1 C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}}}$$

Potentiometer R3 is an output level control. Control R1 may be used to adjust base bias for maximum-amplitude output. The circuit was operated at 50 kHz with L1 = 10mH, C1 = 3500 pF, and C2 = 1500 pF.



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

# CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

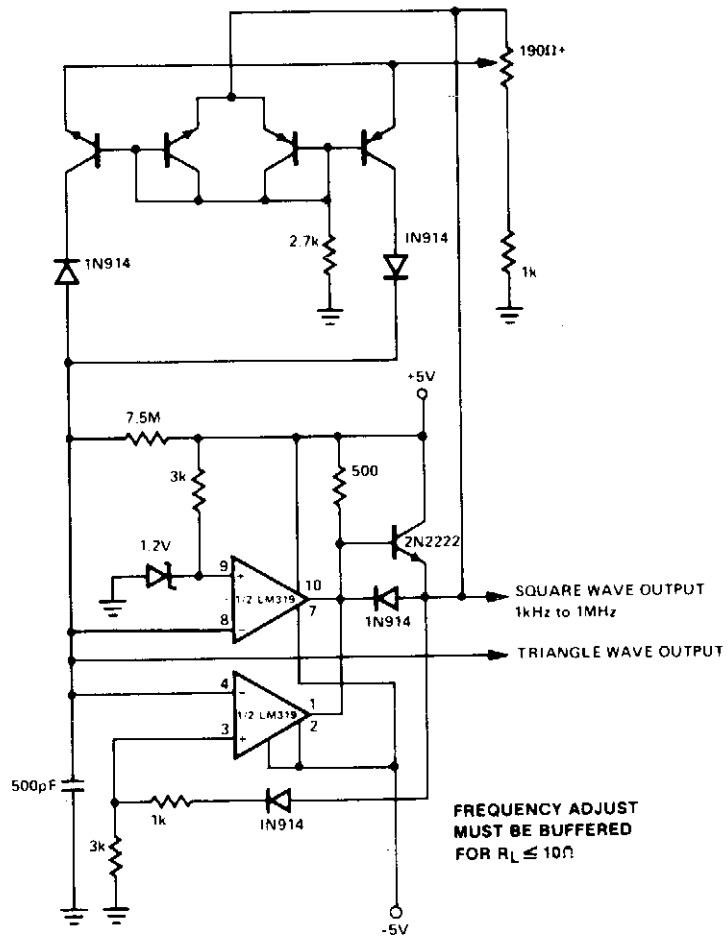
## Circuit Notes

The inexpensive 7404 hex-inverter has enough amplification to handle a wide range of transducers. Closing the key completes the battery circuit and applies four to five volts to the 7404. Bias for the first two inverter amps (U1a and U1b) comes from the two resistors, R1 and R2, connected between their inputs and outputs. The capacitor and rheostat (R3/C1) close the feedback loop from the input to the properly-phased output. The signal leaving U1b drives the phones or speakers. The volume control potentiometer, R4-R7, may have any value from 1500 ohms to 10,000 ohms. The smaller values work best when speakers, or low impedance phones, are used.

Fig. 66-12



## WIDE RANGE VARIABLE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 66-13

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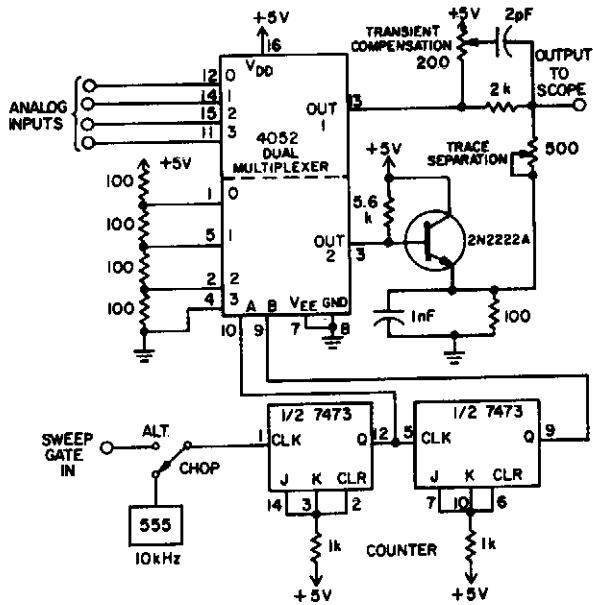
## Oscilloscope Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Analog Multiplexer Converts Single-Trace Scope to  
Four-Trace  
FET Dual-Trace Scope Switch  
Scope Calibrator

## ANALOG MULTIPLEXER CONVERTS SINGLE-TRACE SCOPE TO FOUR-TRACE



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 67-1

### Circuit Notes

This adapter circuit, based on a dual four-channel analog multiplexer handles digital signals to at least 1 MHz, and analog signals at least through the audio range. The dual multiplexer's upper half selects one input for display. The lower half generates a staircase to offset the baselines of each channel, keeping them separate on the screen. The emitter-follower buffers the staircase, which is then summed with the selected signal. A two-bit binary counter addresses the CMOS 4052 multiplexer.

## FET DUAL-TRACE SCOPE SWITCH

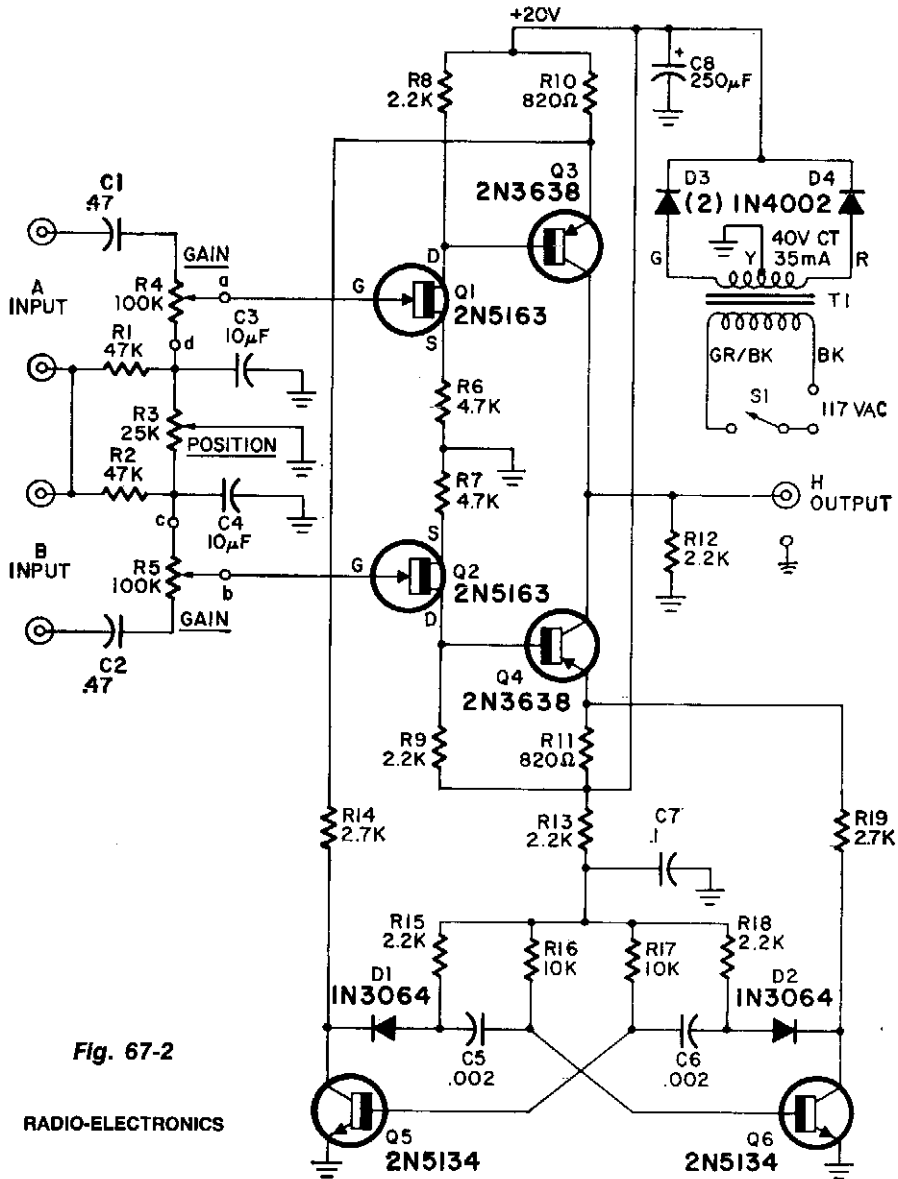


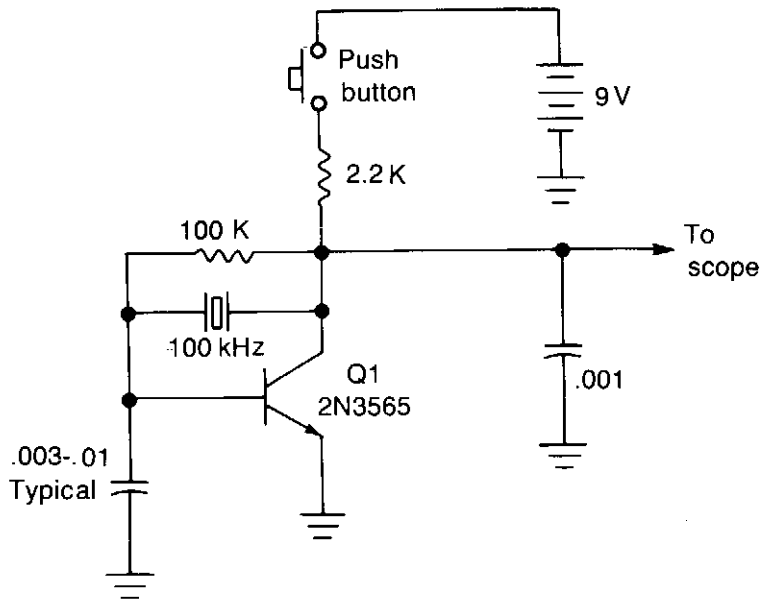
Fig. 67-2

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

### Circuit Notes

The switcher output goes to the single vertical input of the scope, and a sync line from one of the inputs is taken to the scope's external-sync input. Frequency response of the input amplifiers is 300 kHz over the range of the gain controls. With the gain controls wide open so no attenuation of the signal takes place, the frequency response is up to 1 MHz.

## SCOPE CALIBRATOR



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Fig. 67-3

### Circuit Notes

The calibrator operates on exactly 100 kHz providing a reference for calibrating the variable time base oscillator of general purpose scopes. For example, if the scope is set so that one cycle of the signal fills exactly 10 graticule divisions then each division represents 1 MHz, or 1 microsecond. If the scope is adjusted for 10 cycles on 10 graticule divisions. (1 cycle per division) then each division represents 100 kHz or 10 microseconds.

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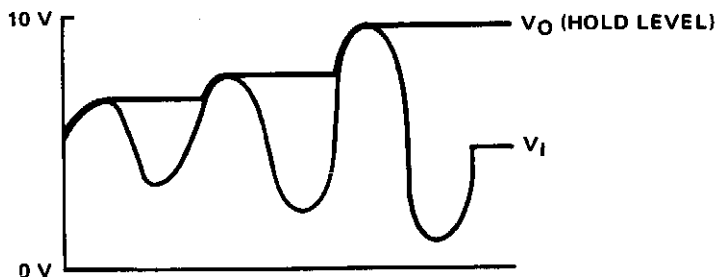
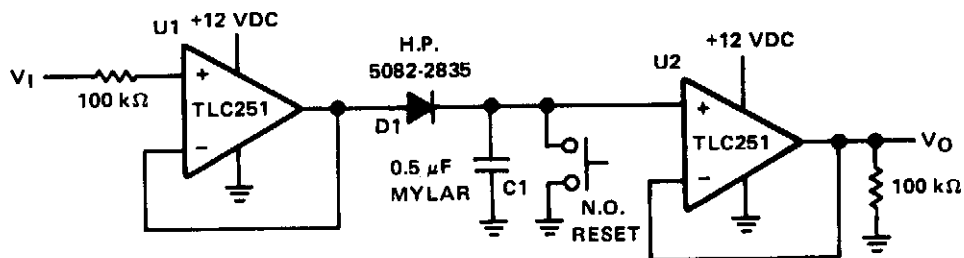
## Peak Detector Circuits

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Positive Peak Detector  
Peak Detector

## POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR



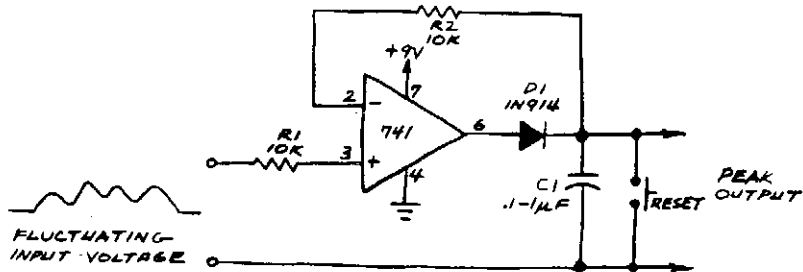
TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Fig. 68-1

### Circuit Notes

The purpose of the circuit is to hold the peak of the input voltage on capacitor C1, and read the value,  $V_O$ , at the output of U2. Op amps U1 and U2 are connected as voltage followers. When a signal is applied to  $V_I$ , C1 will charge to this same voltage through diode D1. This positive peak voltage on C1 will maintain  $V_O$  at this level until the capacitor is reset (shorted). Of course, higher positive peaks will raise this level while lower power peaks will be ignored. C1 can be reset manually with a switch, or electronically with an FET that is normally off. The capacitor specified for C1 should have low leakage and low dielectric absorption. Diode D1 should also have low leakage. Peak values of negative polarity signals may be detected by reversing D1.

## PEAK DETECTOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-2

### Circuit Notes

The comparator will charge C1 until the voltage across the capacitor equals the input voltage. If subsequent input voltage exceeds that stored in C1, the comparator voltage will go high and charge C1 to new higher peak voltage.



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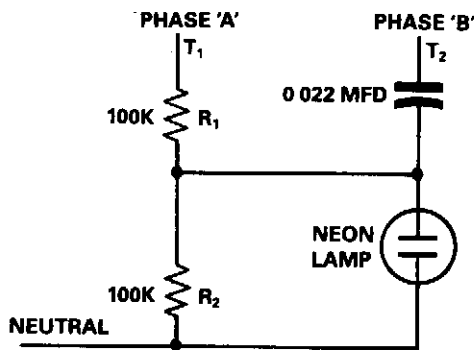
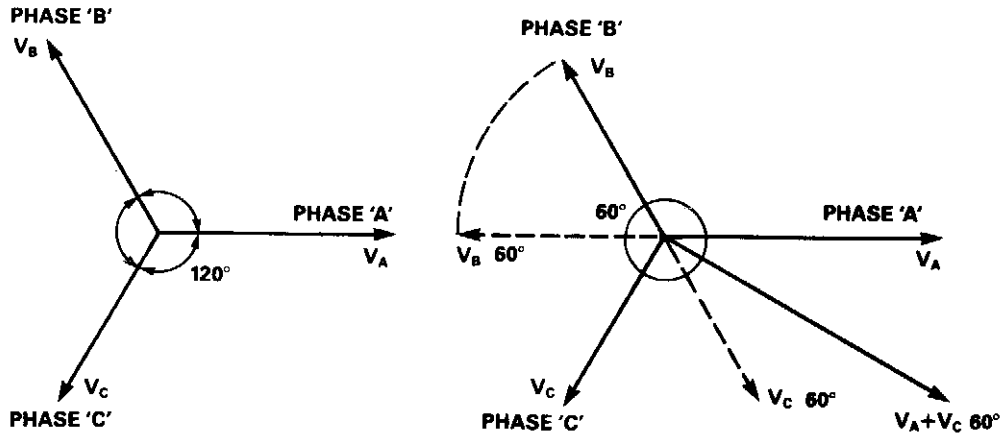
## Phase Sequence Circuits

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RC Circuit Detects Phase Sequence Reversal  
Phase Indicator  
Phase Sequence Detector  
Three Phase Tester  
Phase Sequence Detector II  
Simple Phase Detector Circuit

## RC CIRCUIT DETECTS PHASE SEQUENCE REVERSAL



TABLE

| PHASE SEQUENCE | NEON INDICATOR | MOTOR MOTION |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| $V_A V_B V_C$  | OFF            | FORWARD      |
| $V_A V_C V_B$  | ON             | REVERSE      |
| $V_B V_A V_C$  | ON             | REVERSE      |
| $V_B V_C V_A$  | OFF            | FORWARD      |
| $V_C V_A V_B$  | OFF            | FORWARD      |
| $V_C V_B V_A$  | ON             | REVERSE      |

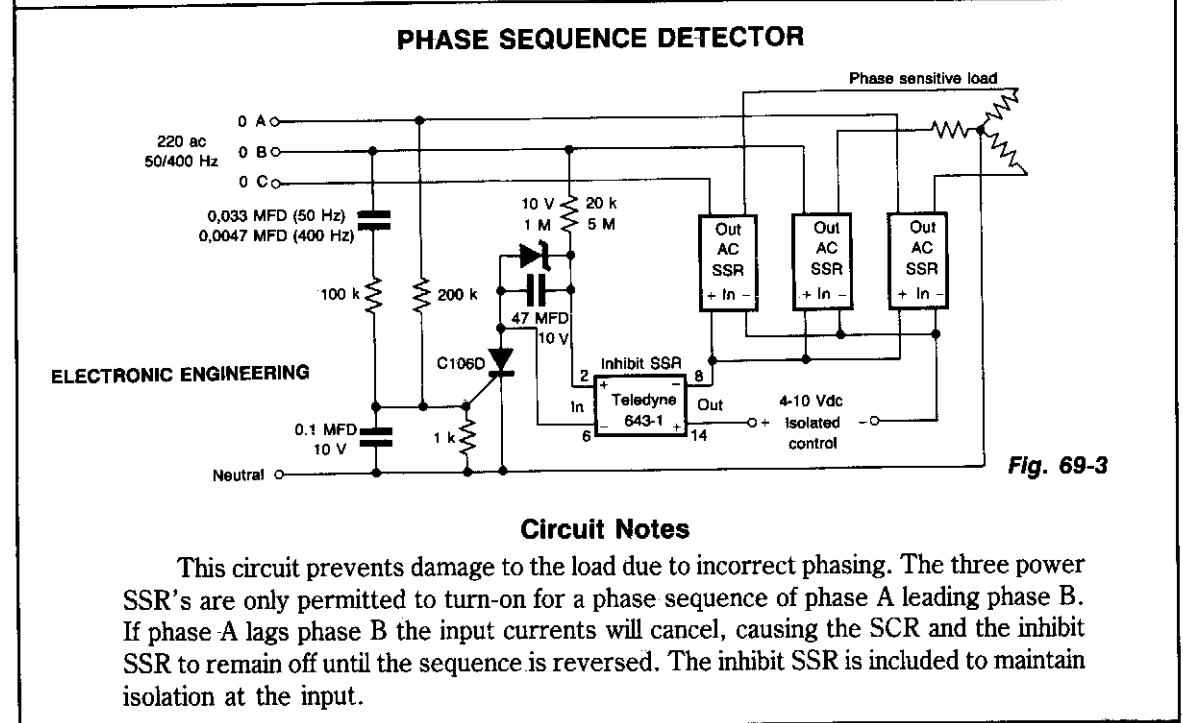
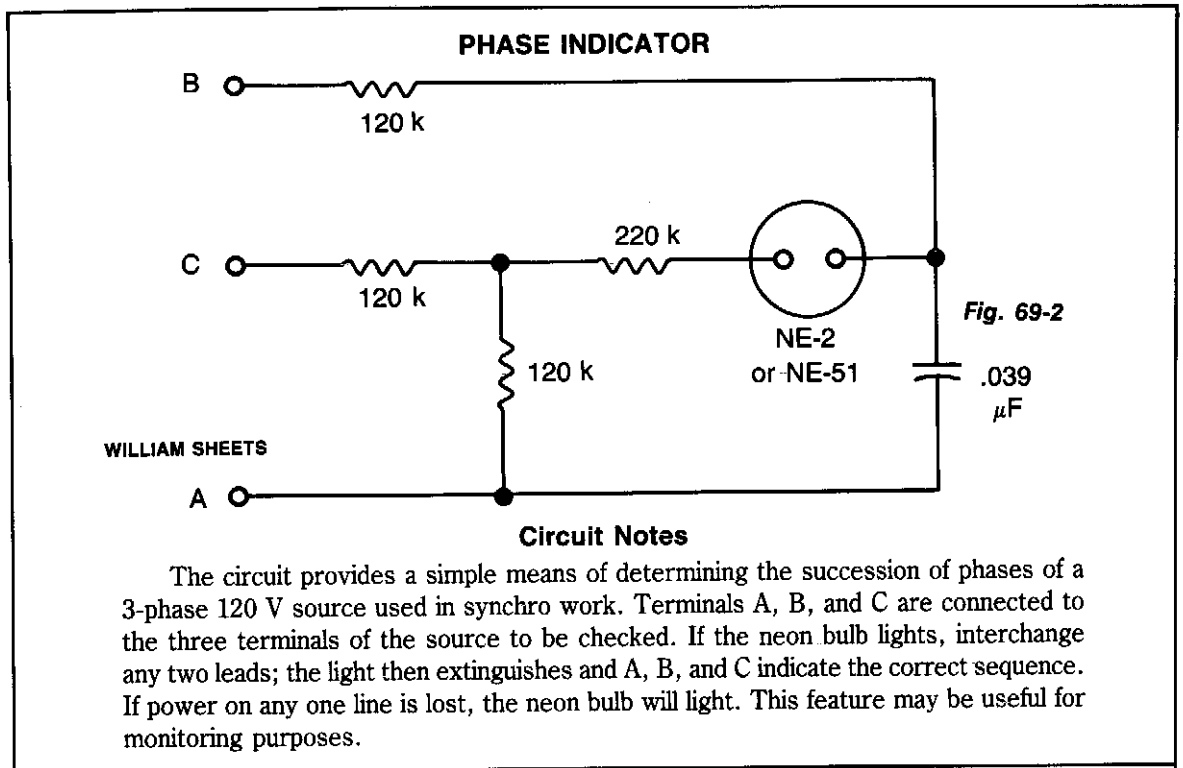
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

Fig. 69-1

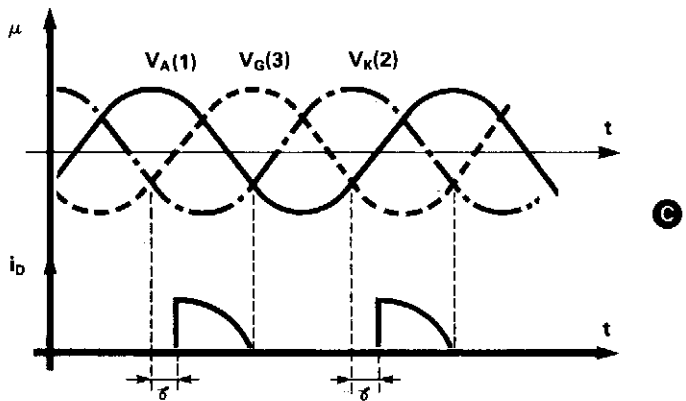
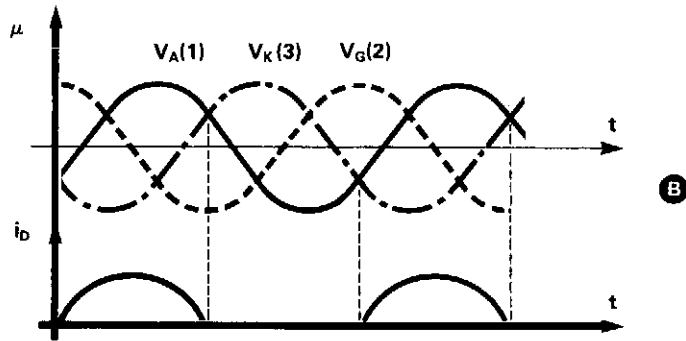
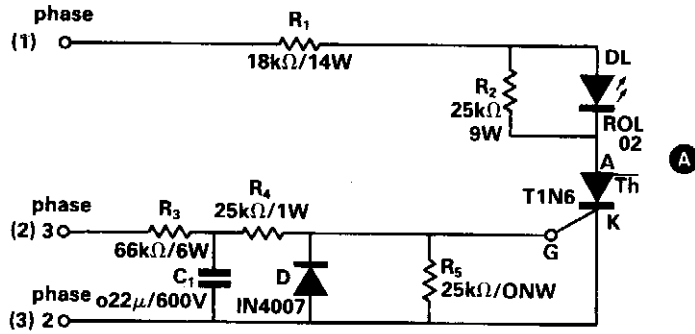
### Circuit Notes

Assume the correct phase sequence to be  $V_A-V_B-V_C$ . The circuit terminals are connected such that T1 gets connected to phase A and T2 to phase B. The capacitor advances the voltage developed across R2 due to phase "B" by  $\sim 60^\circ$ , while the voltages developed across it by phase "A" is in phase with  $V_A$  as shown in Fig. 69-1. The net voltage developed across R2  $\sim$  zero, the neon lamp is not energized, thereby signaling correct phase sequence. If terminal T2 gets connected to phase C, a large voltage,  $K(V_A + V_C 60^\circ)$ , gets developed across R2, energizing the neon indicator to signal reverse phase sequence.

The motor terminals can be connected to the three phases in six different combinations. A three-phase motor will run in the forward direction for three such combinations, while for the other three it will operate in the reverse direction. As shown in the table, the circuit detects all three reverse combinations. This circuit can be wired into any existing motor starter where the operator can see whether the phase sequence has been altered, before starting the machine.

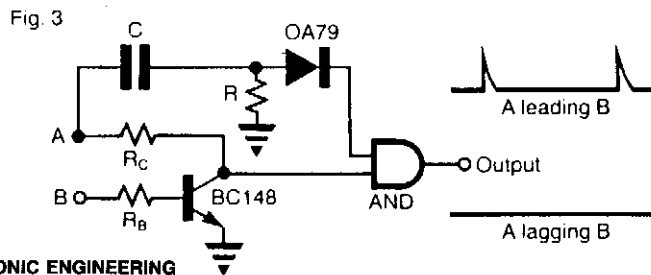
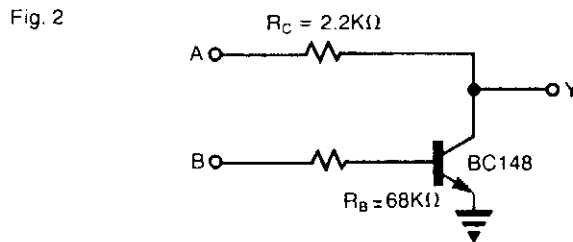
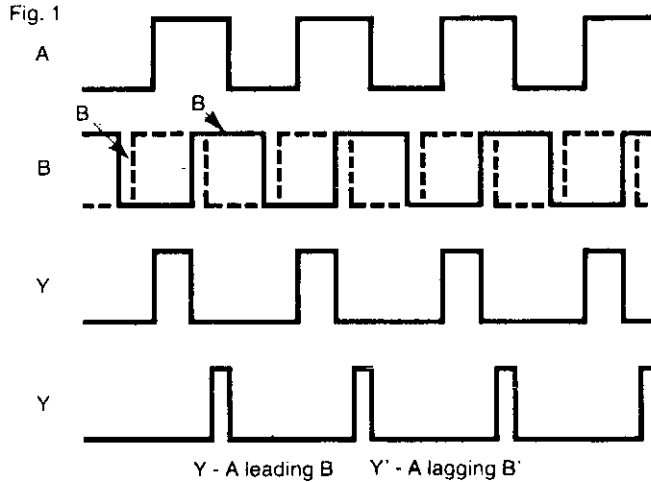


### THREE PHASE TESTER





## SIMPLE PHASE DETECTOR CIRCUIT



### Circuit Notes

The operation of the circuit is like an enabled inverter, that is, the output  $Y = \bar{B}$  provided A is high. If A is low, output is low (independent of the state of B). When the signals A and B or B1 are connected to the inputs A and B of this gate the output Y is a pulse train signal (shown a Y or Y1) which has a pulse duration equal to the phase difference between the two signals. The circuit is directly suitable for phase difference measurement from zero to  $180^\circ$ . This performance is similar to the circuits like the Exclusive OR gate used for this purpose. With this method leading and lagging positions of the signals can also be found using an AND gate. Phase difference measured along with the leading and lagging information gives complete information about the phases of the two signals between zero and  $360^\circ$ .

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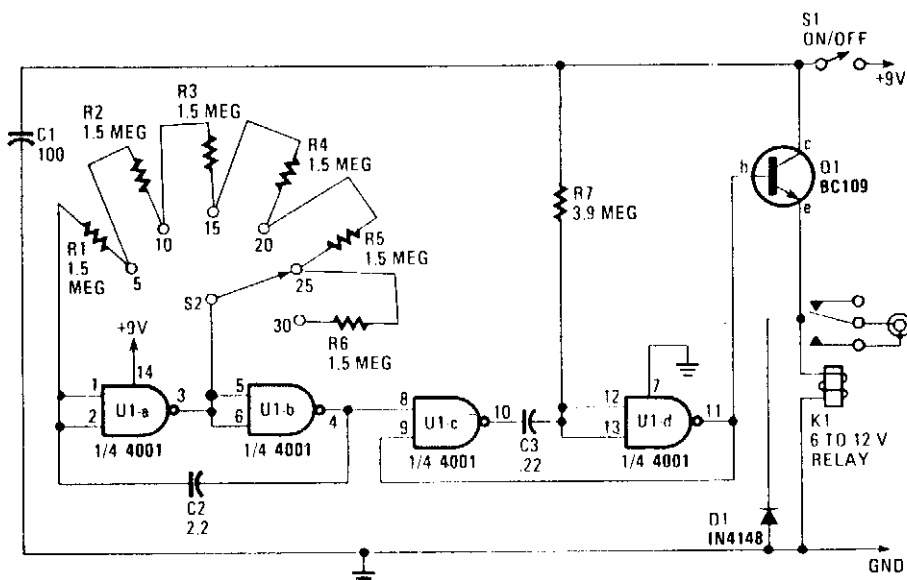
## Photography-Related Circuits

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Auto-Advance Projector  
Shutter-Speed Tester  
Enlarger Timer  
Contrast Meter  
Electronic Flash Trigger  
Sound Trigger for Flash Unit

## AUTO-ADVANCE PROJECTOR



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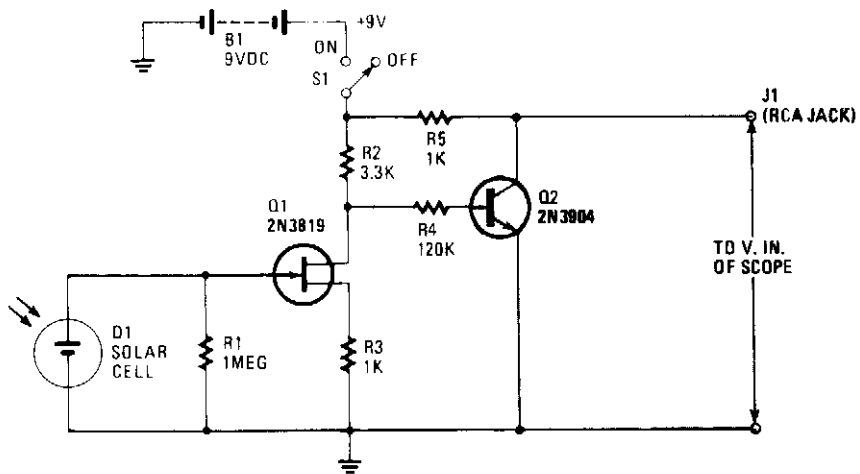
Fig. 70-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is built around a 4001 quad two-input NOR gate, it provides switch selectable auto-advance times of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 or 30 seconds through the remote-control socket of your projector. U1a and U1b form an astable multivibrator, with its operating frequency dependent on the number of timing resistors switched into the circuit via S2. The frequency is about one cycle for every five seconds with a single timing resistor, one every ten seconds with two resistors, etc., providing six switched time intervals. The output of the astable at pin 4 of U1b is fed to the input of a monostable multivibrator, consisting of the second pair of gates, U1c and U1d. R7 and C3 are the timing components; they set the length of the (positive) output pulse of the monostable at a little more than half a second. The monostable is triggered by each positive-going input it receives from the astable. The output from the monostable therefore, consists of a series of short pulses, the interval between the pulses being controlled using S2. The output of the monostable (at pin 11) controls a relay by way of Q1, which is configured as an emitter-follower buffer stage. The projector is controlled via the normally-open contacts of relay K1. When the output of the monostable goes positive, the relay contacts close, triggering the slide-change mechanism of the projector. The monostable assures that the power to the relay is applied only briefly by the timer, so that multiple operation of the projector is avoided.



## SHUTTER-SPEED TESTER



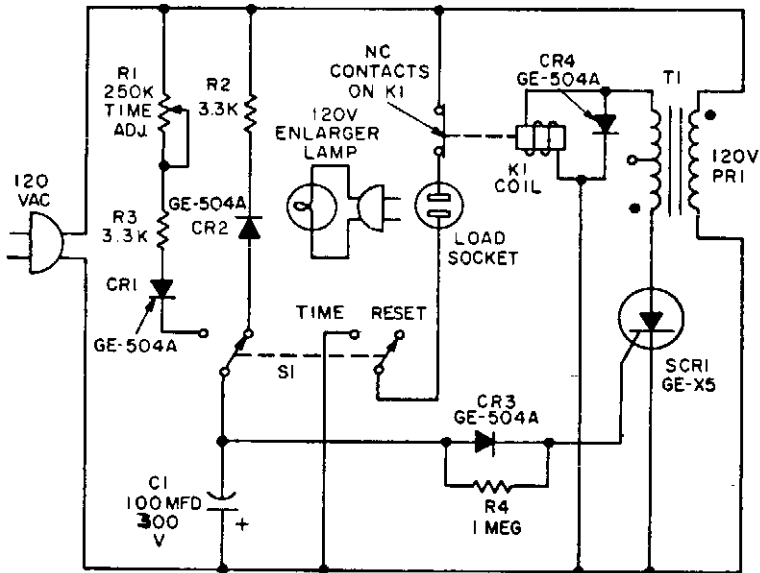
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Fig. 70-2

### Circuit Notes

The solar cell is connected across the input of the FET (field-effect transistor), Q1, so that it will produce positive dc voltage to the gate when activated by light shining through the open shutter, decreasing the negative gate-source bias already established by the source resistor, and causes an increase in drain current. The drain voltage goes more negative which causes a decrease in Q2's base current. Q2's collector current decreases, and its collector voltage becomes more positive. There is an amplified positive-going voltage output at the collector, and it's applied directly to the oscilloscope's vertical input, producing a waveform that is displaced vertically whenever light strikes the cell.

## ENLARGER TIMER



### Parts List

*C1* — 100-mfd, 300-volt electrolytic capacitor  
*CR1* thru *CR4* — GE-504A rectifier diode  
*K1* — 12 -volt a-c relay (Potter & Brumfield No. MR5A, or equivalent)  
*R1* — 250K-ohm, 2-watt potentiometer  
*R2, R3* — 3.3K-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor

*R4* — 1-megohm, 1/2-watt resistor  
*S1* — DPDT toggle switch  
*SCR1* — GE-X5 silicon controlled rectifier  
*T1* — Filament transformer: primary, 120-volts a-c; secondary, 12.6-volts center tapped (Triad F25X, or equivalent)  
 Line cord, vectorboard, minibox etc.

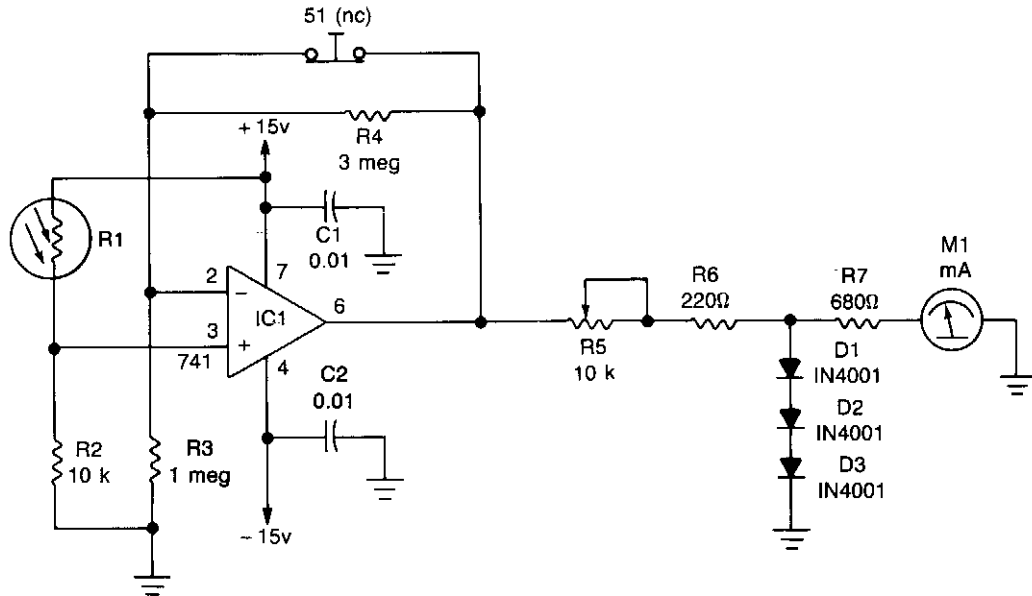
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 70-3

### Circuit Notes

This precision, solid state, time delay circuit has delayed *off* and delayed *on* switching functions that are interchangeably available by simply interchanging the relay contacts.

## CONTRAST METER



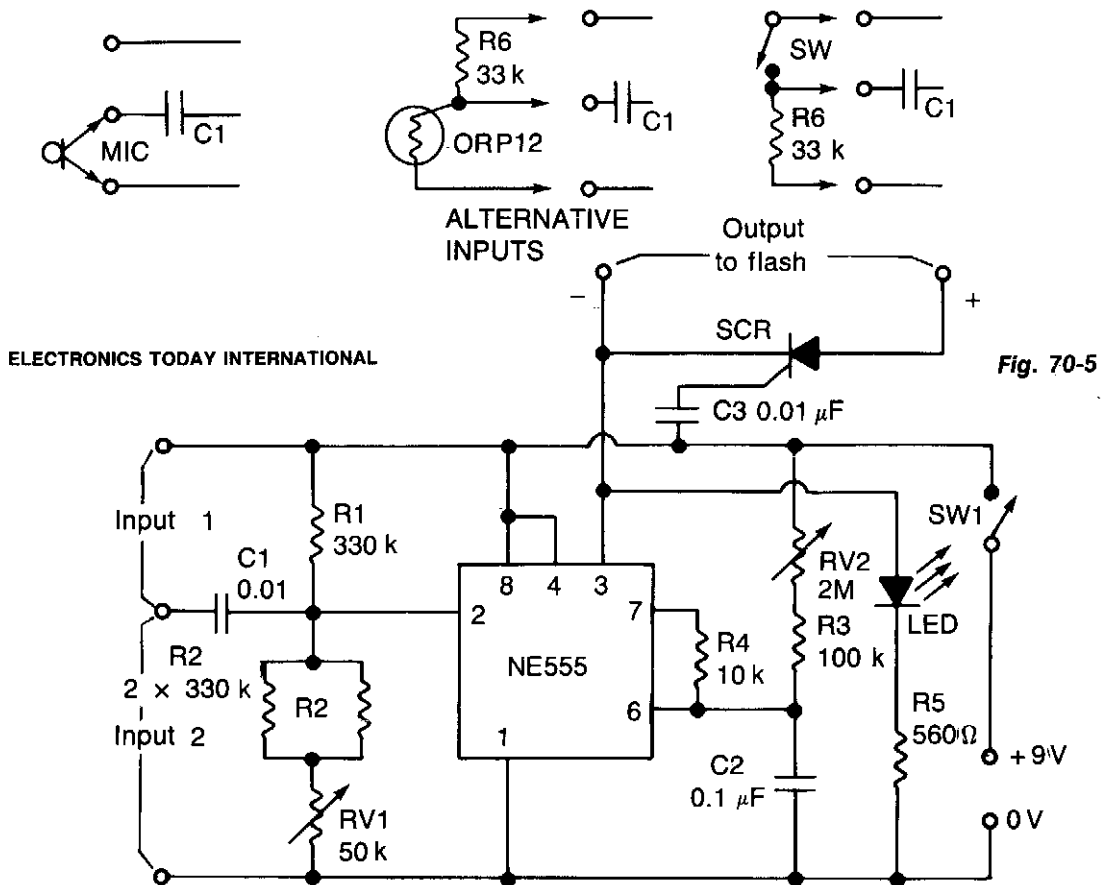
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Fig. 70-4

### Circuit Notes

One leg of the photocell (R1) is tied to the +15 volt supply and the other end is connected to ground through resistor R2, forming a voltage-divider network. The non-inverting input of the 741 op amp, IC1, is tied to the junction formed by R1 and R2, while its inverting input is grounded through resistor R3. When switch S1 is pressed, another divider network is formed, reducing the voltage applied to the inverting input of the op amp. When light hits the photocell its resistance begins to decrease causing a greater voltage drop across R2 and a higher voltage to be presented to the non-inverting input of IC1. This causes IC1 to output a voltage proportional to the two inputs. The circuit gives a meter reading that depends on the intensity of light hitting photocell R1; therefore, R1 should be mounted in a bottle cap so that the light must pass through a 3/16 inch hole. Potentiometer R5 is used to adjust the circuit for the negative you're working with.

## ELECTRONIC FLASH TRIGGER



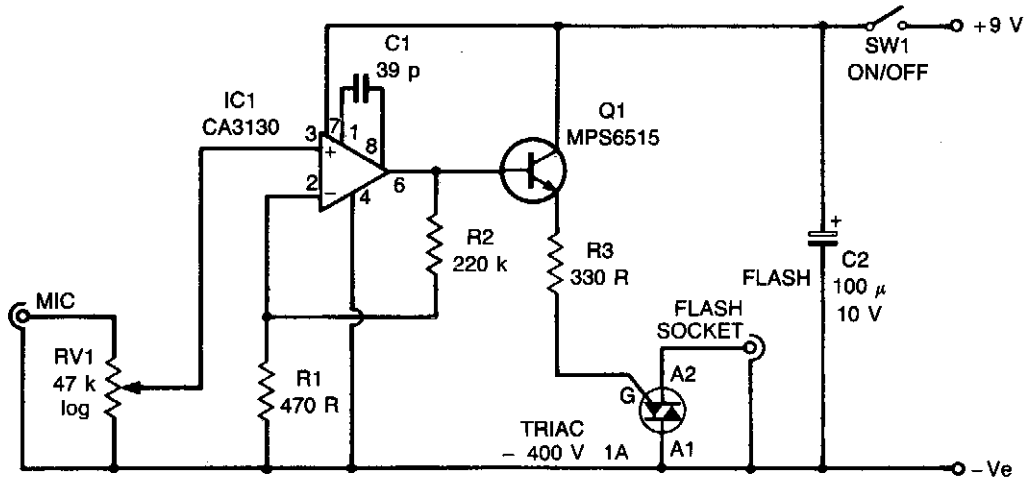
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Fig. 70-5

### Circuit Notes

A negative pulse at the input is fed via capacitor C1 to the input pin (2) of the IC. Pin 2 is held slightly above its triggering voltage of  $1/3 V_{cc}$  by the voltage divider comprising R1, R2 and RV1. The negative pulse triggers the IC and the output (pin 3) goes high for a time period controlled by RV2, R3 and C2. When the output goes low again at the end of the time interval, capacitor C3 charges through the gate cathode circuit of the SCR switching it on and firing the flash. Capacitor C1 isolates the input from the voltage divider so that the unit isn't sensitive to the dc level at the input. RV1 acts as a sensitivity control by allowing the voltage to be adjusted to a suitable level so that the input signal will trigger the IC. Resistor R4 limits the discharge current from C2 at the end of the timing cycle protecting the IC. The LED and its protective resistor R5 act as an indicator to show that the unit has triggered, simplifying the setting up process and minimizing the number of times the strobe has to be fired. This means that the strobe needn't be fired until a photo is to be taken.

## SOUND TRIGGER FOR FLASH UNIT



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Fig. 70-6

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is based on operational amplifier IC1 used in the noninverting amplifier mode. R1 and 2 set the gain at about 500. RV1 (sensitivity) biases the noninverting input to the negative supply. Q1 provides the relatively high trigger current required by the triac. When a signal is received by the microphone, the signals are amplified (by IC1). The triac is triggered and a low resistance appears across its A1 and A2 terminals which are connected via the flashlead to the strobe. The circuit operates almost instantly, giving very little delay between the commencement of the sound and the flashgun being triggered.

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## Power Amplifiers

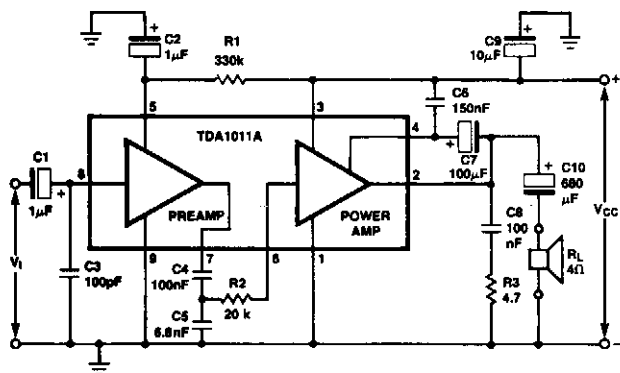
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2 To 6 W Audio Amplifier with Preamplifier  
Audio Power Amplifier  
25 Watt Amplifier  
Bull Horn  
Low Power Audio Amplifier  
Audio Booster

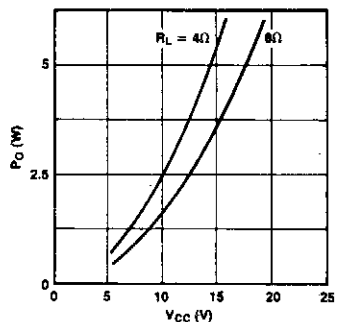
Walkman Amplifier  
Rear Speaker Ambience (4-Channel) Amplifier  
90 W Audio Power Amplifier with Safe Area  
Protection  
Power Amplifier

## 2 TO 6 W AUDIO AMPLIFIER WITH PREAMPLIFIER



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Fig. 71-1



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### NOTES:

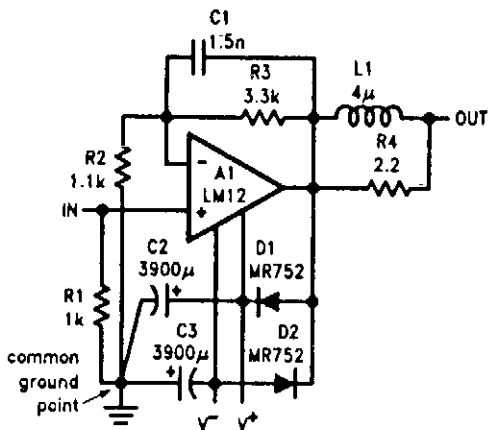
$d_{TOT} = 10\%$ ; typical values. The available output power is 5% higher when measured at Pin 2 (due to series resistance of C1).

Output Power Across  $R_L$   
as a Function of Supply  
Voltage with Bootstrap

### Circuit Notes

The monolithic integrated audio amplifier circuit is especially designed for portable radio and recorder applications and delivers up to 4 W in a 4 ohm load impedance.

## AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER



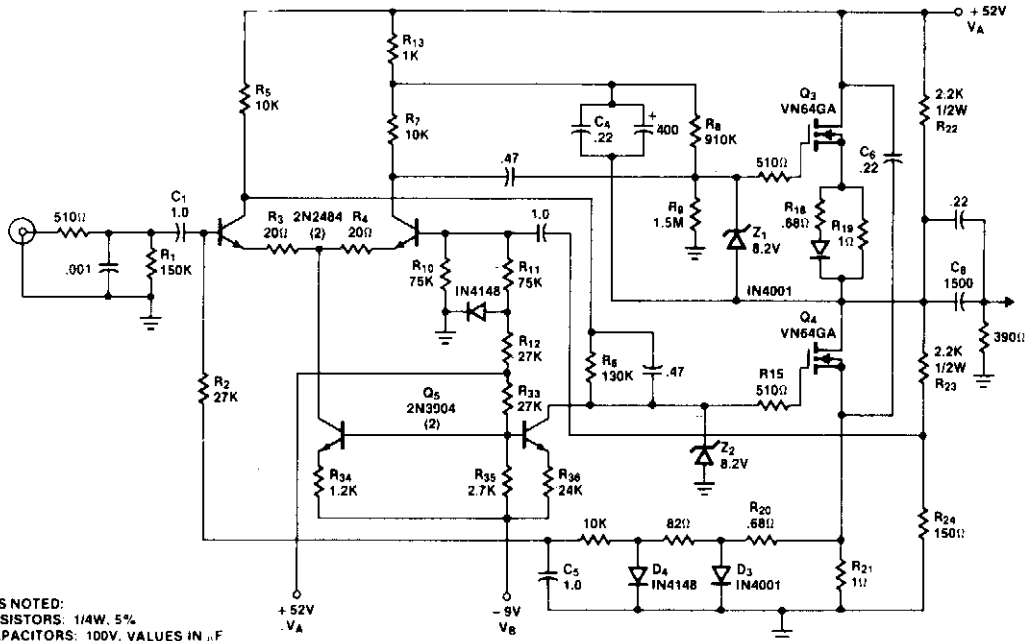
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Fig. 71-2

### Circuit Notes

Output-clamp diodes are mandatory because loudspeakers are inductive loads. Output LR isolation is also used because audio amplifiers are usually expected to handle up to  $2 \mu\text{F}$  load capacitance. Large, supply-bypass capacitors located close to the IC are used so that the rectified load current in the supply leads does not get back into the amplifier, increasing high-frequency distortion. Single-point grounding for all internal leads plus the signal source and load is recommended to avoid ground loops that can increase distortion.

## 25 WATT AMPLIFIER



UNLESS NOTED:  
ALL RESISTORS: 1/4W, 5%  
ALL CAPACITORS: 100V, VALUES IN  $\mu$ F

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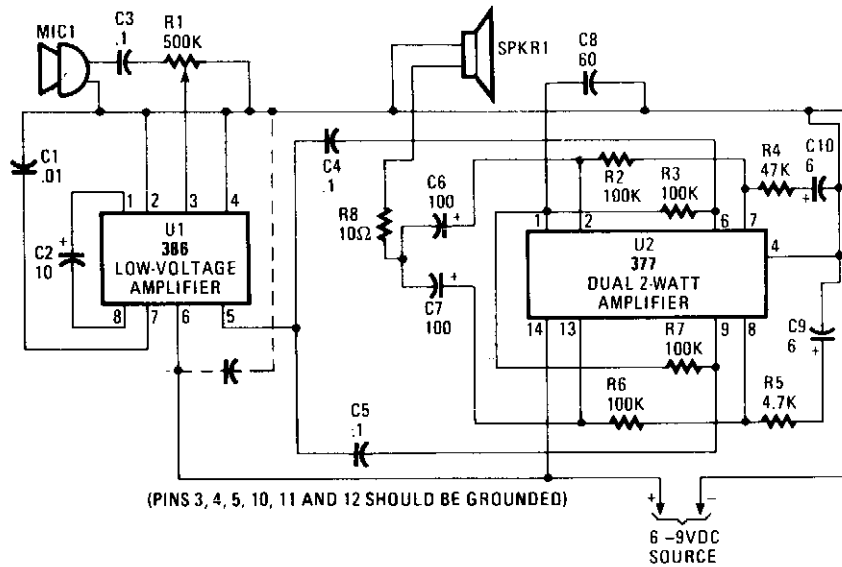
Fig. 71-3

### Circuit Notes

Transistors are used for current sources. Base drive for these transistors is derived from the main power supply  $V_A$ , so that their collector current is proportional to the rail voltage. This feature holds the voltage on the diff-amp collectors close to  $V_A/2$ . The sensitivity of  $I_Q$  to  $V_A$  is about 3.4 mA/volt when  $V_B$  is held constant; the sensitivity of  $I_Q$  to  $V_B$  is  $-15$  mA/volt when  $V_A$  is held constant. In a practical amplifier with a non-regulated supply, variations in power output will cause fluctuations in  $V_A$ , but will not affect  $V_B$ ; therefore, having  $I_Q$  increase slightly with power output will tend to compensate for the 3.4 mA/volt  $I_Q V_A$  sensitivity. In the case of line voltage variations, since  $V_A$  is about five times  $V_B$ , the sensitivities tend to cancel, leaving a net sensitivity of about 2 mA/volt.



## BULL HORN



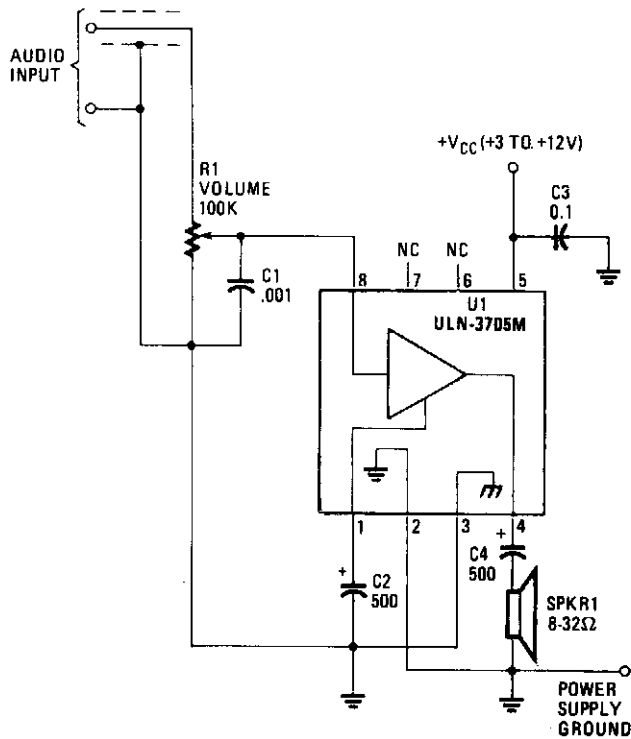
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Fig. 71-4

### Circuit Notes

The input audio signal is fed to pin 3 of U1, an LM386 low-voltage amplifier, via C3 and R1. Potentiometer R1 sets the drive or volume level. U1, which serves as a driver stage, can be set for a gain of from 20 to 200. The output of U1 at pin 5 is fed to U2—a 377 dual two-watt amplifier connected in parallel to produce about four watts of output power—at pins 6 and 9 via C4 and C5. Frequency stability is determined by R2, R4, and C10 on one side, and the corresponding components R6, R5, and C9 on the other side. The outputs of the two amplifiers (at pins 2 and 13) are capacitively coupled to SPKR1 through C6 and C7.

## LOW POWER AUDIO AMPLIFIER



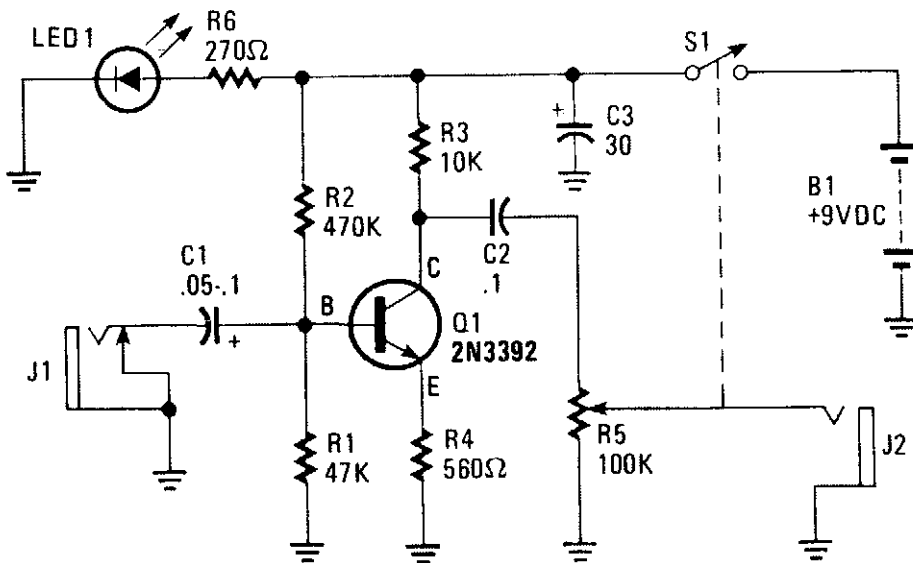
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Fig. 71-5

### Circuit Notes

The amplifier operates from supplies ranging up to 12 volts, and operates (with reduced volume) from supply voltages as low as 1.8 volts without having distortion rise to unacceptable levels. (Its power requirements make it suitable for solar-cell application.) Components external to the integrated circuit, U1, consist of four capacitors and a potentiometer for volume control. Capacitor C3 is for decoupling, low-frequency roll-off, and power-supply ripple rejection. Capacitor C4 is an electrolytic type that couples the audio output to an 8 to 32 ohm speaker that is efficient.

## AUDIO BOOSTER



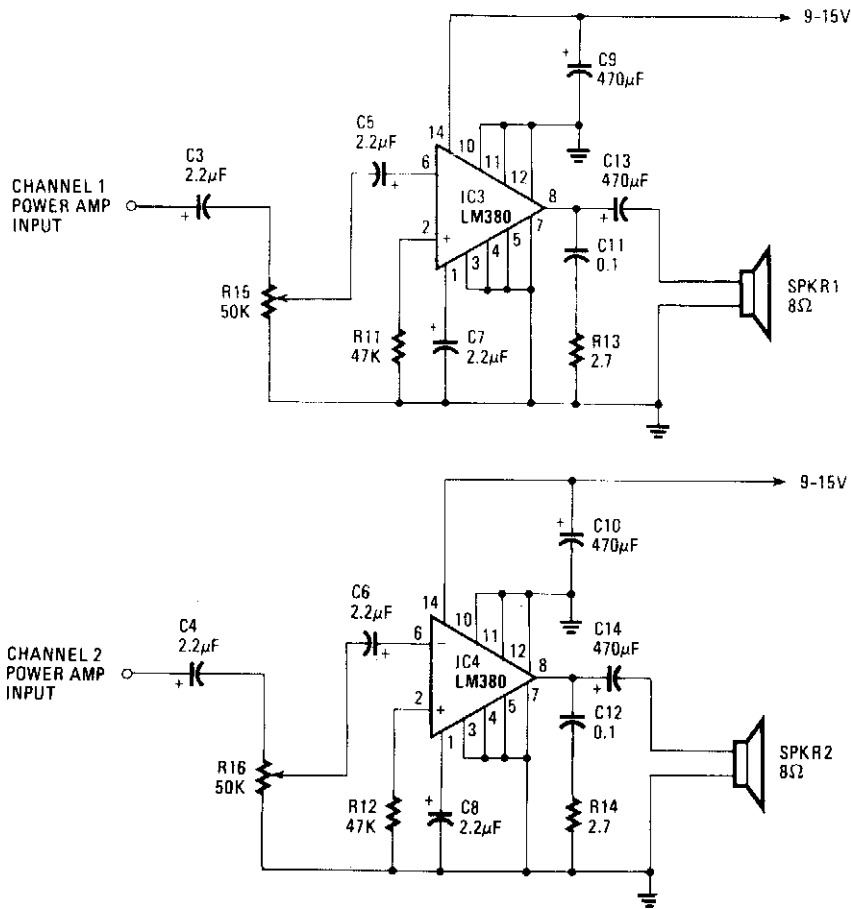
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Fig. 71-6

### Circuit Notes

The amplifier's gain is nominally 20 dB. Its frequency response is determined primarily by the value of just a few components—primarily C1 and R1. The values of the schematic diagram provide a response of  $\pm 3.0$  dB from about 120 Hz to better than 20,000 Hz. Actually, the frequency response is ruler flat from about 170 Hz to well over 20,000 Hz; it's the low end that deviates from a flat frequency response. The low end's roll-off is primarily a function of capacitor C1 (since R1's resistive value is fixed). If C1's value is changed to 0.1  $\mu$ F, the low end's corner frequency—the frequency at which the low-end roll-off starts—is reduced to about 70 Hz. If you need an even deeper low-end roll-off, change C1 to a 1.0  $\mu$ F capacitor; if it's an electrolytic type, make certain that it's installed into the circuit with the correct polarity, with the positive terminal connected to Q1's base terminal.

## WALKMAN AMPLIFIER



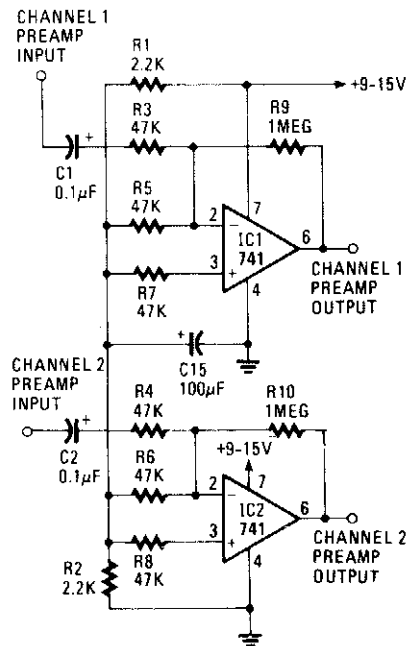
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Fig. 71-7

### Circuit Notes

The gain of the low-cost IC is internally fixed so that it is not less than 34 dB (50 times). A unique input stage allows input signals to be referenced to ground. The output is automatically self centering to one half the supply voltage. The output is also short-circuit proof with internal thermal limiting. With a maximum supply of 15 volts and an 8 ohm load, the output is around 1.5 watts per channel. The input stage is usable with signals from 50 mV to 500 mV rms. If the amplifier is to be used with a source other

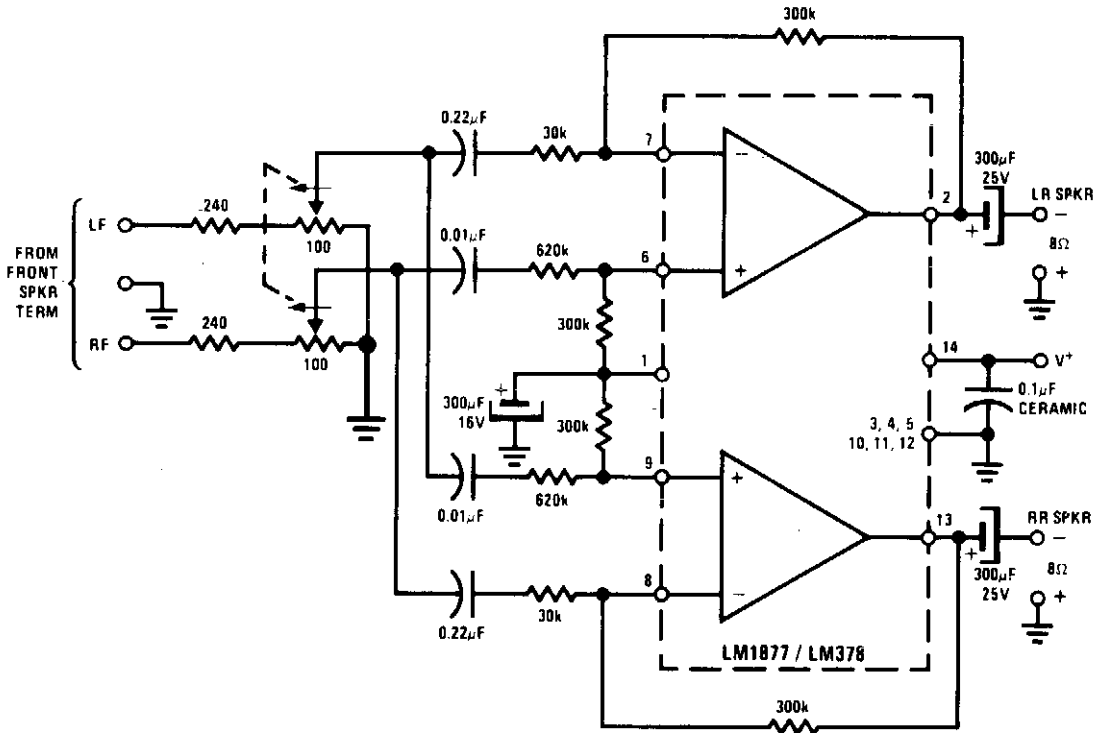
## WALKMAN AMPLIFIER, Continued.



**-THE PREAMP.** If you wish to amplify low-level signals, such as the output of a turntable, the signal will first have to be fed to the preamp shown here.

than a personal stereo, such as a phonograph or an electric guitar, some type of preamplifier is required. A suitable circuit is shown. In that circuit, two 741 op amps have been configured as input amplifiers. Their input stages referenced to a common point—half the supply voltage. That voltage is derived from a voltage divider made up of R1 and R2, two 2.2 k resistors. The gain of each of the 741's has been fixed at 21 by the input resistors (R9, R10). Input capacitors, C1 and C2, are used to filter out any dc component from the input signal.

## REAR SPEAKER AMBIENCE (4-CHANNEL) AMPLIFIER



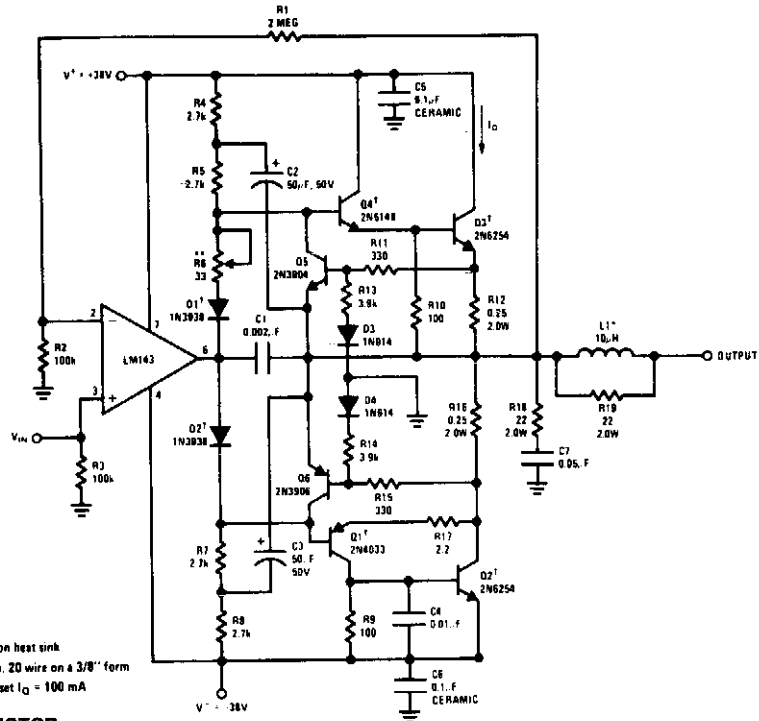
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Fig. 71-8

### Circuit Notes

Rear channel "ambience" can be added to an existing stereo system to extract a difference signal (R - L or L - R) which, when combined with some direct signal (R or L), adds fullness, or "concert hall realism" to the reproduction of recorded music. Very little power is required at the rear channels, hence an LM1877 suffices for most "ambience" applications. The inputs are merely connected to the existing speaker output terminals of a stereo set, and two more speakers are connected to the ambience circuit outputs. The rear speakers should be connected in the opposite phase to those of the front speakers, as indicated by the +/- signs.

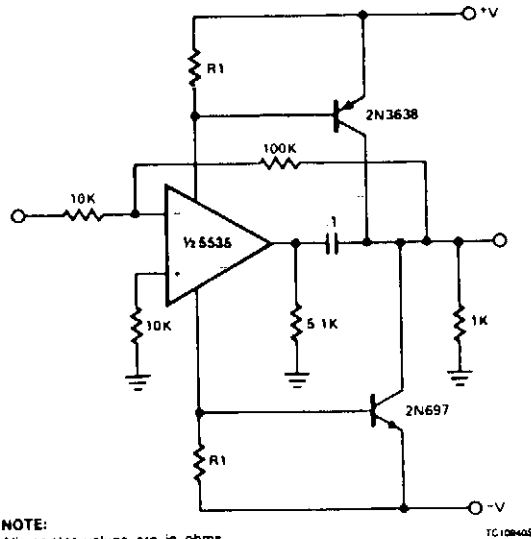
## 90 W AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER WITH SAFE AREA PROTECTION



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Fig. 71-9

## POWER AMPLIFIER



NOTE:  
All resistor values are in ohms.

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Fig. 71-10

### Circuit Notes

For most applications, the available power from op amps is sufficient. There are times when more power handling capability is necessary. A simple power booster capable of driving moderate loads uses an NE5535 device. Other amplifiers may be substituted only if R1 values are changed because of the  $I_{CC}$  current required by the amplifier. R1 should be calculated from the expression

$$R1 = \frac{600 \text{ mV}}{I_{CC}}$$

## Power Supply Circuits

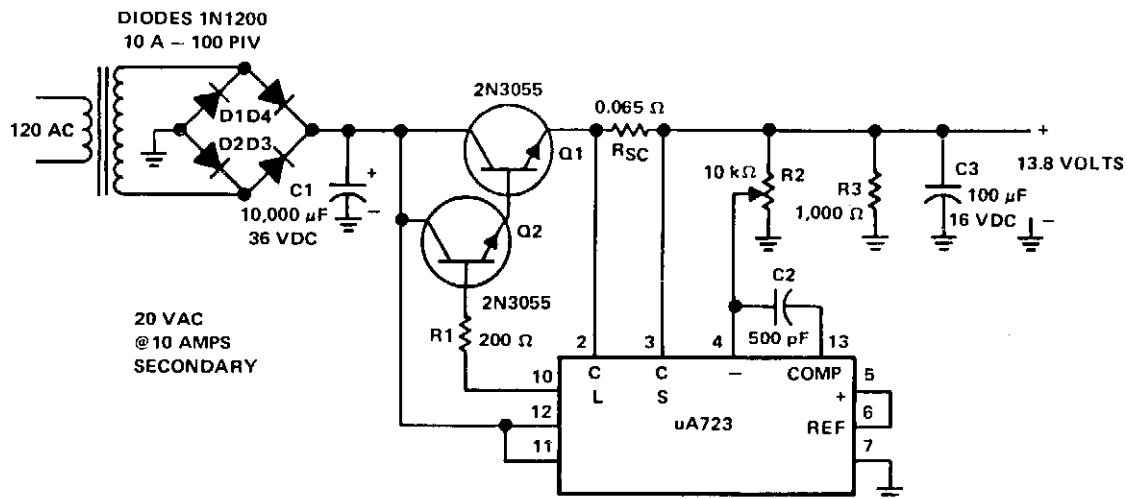
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| 8 Amp Regulated Power Supply for Operating<br>Mobile Equipment              | Protection   |
| Uninterruptible Power Supply for Personal<br>Computers                      | Bipolar Power Supply for Battery Instruments                         |
| 5 V Supply Including Stabilized Momentary Backup<br>Power-Switching Circuit | Power Supply for 25-Watt Arc Lamp                                    |
| Radiation-Hardened, 125 A Linear Regulator                                  | Stand-by Power for Non-Volatile CMOS RAMs                            |
| Switch Mode Power Supply  | HV Regulator with Foldback Current Limiting                          |
| Micropower Bandgap Reference Supply   | 90 V rms Voltage Regulator Using a PUT                               |
| Variable Current Source, 100 mA to 2 Amp                                    | 12-14 V Regulated 3 A Power Supply                                   |
| Basic Single-Supply Voltage Regulator                                       | DC-to-DC SMPS Variable 18 V to 30 V out at 0.2 A                     |
| Bench Top Power Supply  | Off-Line Flyback Regulator   |
| 400-Volt, 60-Watt Push-Pull Power Supply                                    | SCR Preregulator Fits Any Power Supply<br>Voltage Regulator          |
| 500 kHz Switching Inverter for 12 V Systems                                 | Zener Diode Increase Fixed PNP Regulator's<br>Output Voltage Ratings |
| 10-Amp Regulator with Current and Thermal                                   | Increasing the Power Rating of Zener Diodes                          |
|   | Memory Save on Power-Down  |



## 8-AMP REGULATED POWER SUPPLY FOR OPERATING MOBILE EQUIPMENT



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

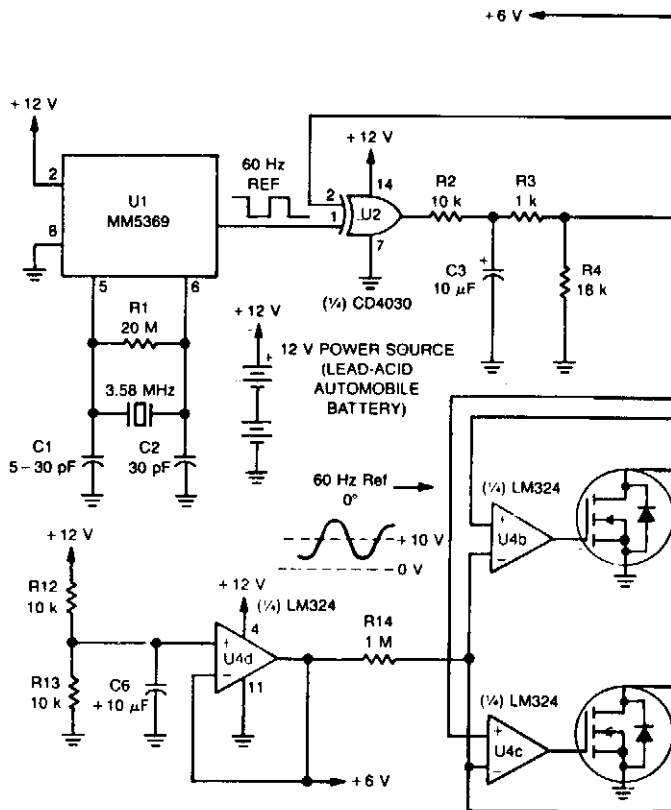
Fig. 72-1

### Circuit Notes

This supply is powered by a transformer operating from 120 Vac on the primary and providing approximately 20 Vac on the secondary, and providing approximately 20 Vac on the secondary. Four 10-A diodes with a 100 PIV rating are used in a full-wave bridge rectifier. A 10,000  $\mu$ F/36 Vdc capacitor completes the filtering, providing 28 Vdc. The dc voltage is fed to the collectors of the Darlington connected 2N3055's. Base drive for the pass transistors is from pin 10 of the  $\mu$ A723 through a 200 ohm current limiting resistor, R1. The reference terminal (pin 6) is tied directly to the non-inverting input of the error amplifier (pin 5), providing 7.15 V for comparison.

The inverting input to the error amplifier (pin 4) is fed from the center arm of a 10 k ohm potentiometer connected across the output of the supply. This control is set for the desired output voltage of 13.8 V. Compensation of the error amplifier is accomplished with a 500 pF capacitor connected from pin 13 to pin 4. If the power supply should exceed 8 A or develop a short circuit, the  $\mu$ A723 regulator will bias the transistors to cutoff and the output voltage will drop to near zero until the short circuit condition is corrected.

# UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY FOR PERSONAL COMPUTERS



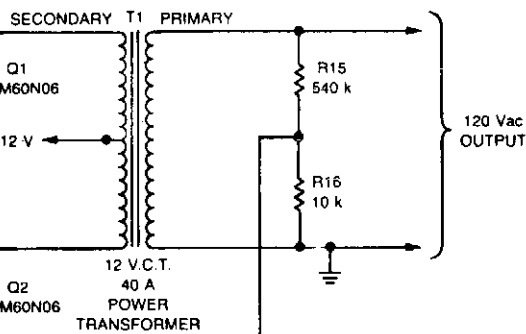
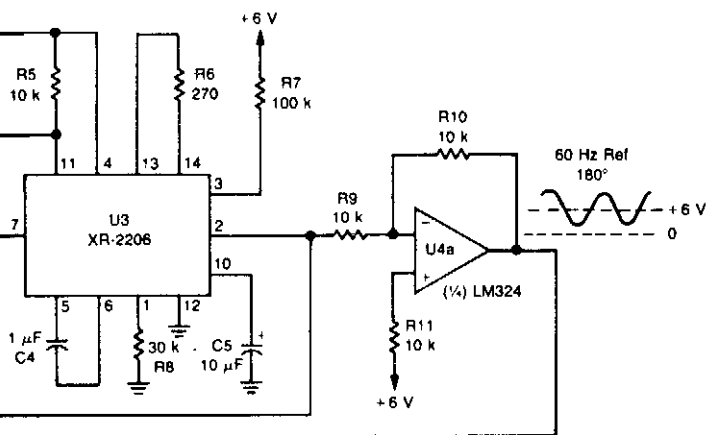
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Fig. 72-2

## Circuit Notes

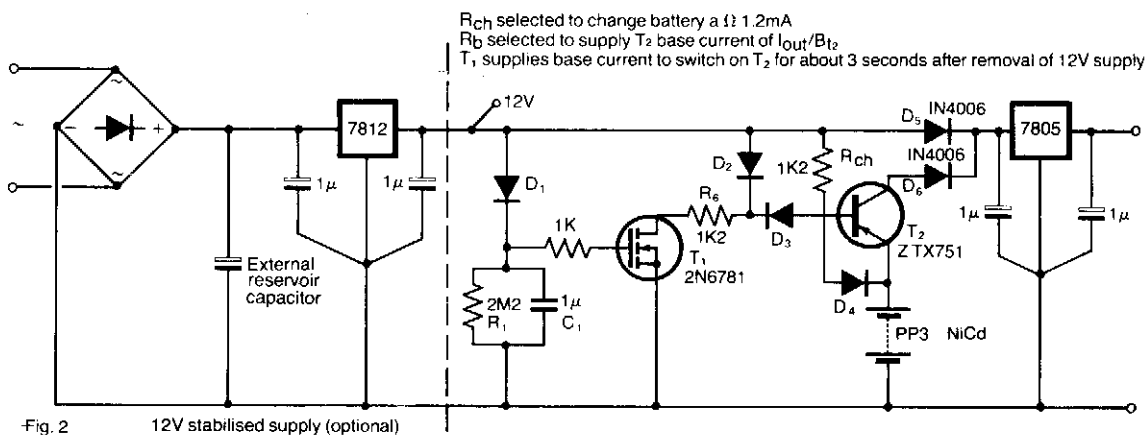
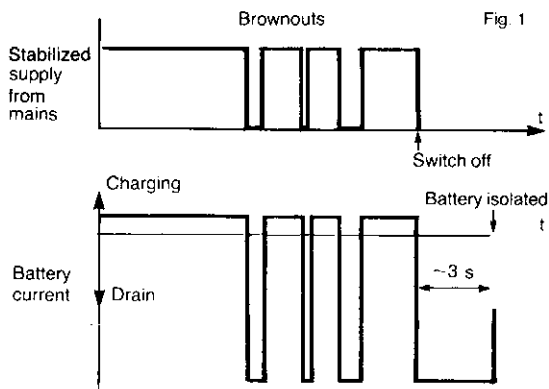
The UPS is basically an ac inverter that is powered by a 12-V, lead-acid automobile battery. During power outages, it can supply several minutes of power for an average personal computer. It incorporates a crystal-controlled 60 Hz time base, so that a computer with a real time clock can maintain its accuracy. It isolates the ac line from the computer, so it can be used to operate sensitive electronic equipment on noisy power sources.

Two MTM60N06 Power FETs (Q1 and Q2) alternately switch current through a center-tapped 120-V to 12-V filament transformer (T1) with its primary and secondary reversed. The 120-V output is compared with a 60 Hz reference in a closed-loop configuration that maintains a constant output at optimum efficiency.



A 60 Hz reference frequency is derived from a crystal oscillator and divider circuit, U1. An inexpensive 3.58 MHz color burst crystal provides the time base that can be accurately adjusted by C1. The 60 Hz output from U1 is applied to the exclusive-OR gate, U2, and then to the XR-2206 function generator (U3) that converts the square wave into a sine wave. U2 and U3 form a phase-locked loop that synchronizes the sine wave output of U3 with the 60 Hz square wave reference of U1. The sine wave is then inverted by op amp U4a, so that two signals 180 out of phase can be applied to U4b and U4c that drive Q1 and Q2. Due to the closed-loop configuration of the drive circuits, Q1 and Q2 conduct only during the upper half of the sine wave. Therefore, one TMOS device conducts during the first half of the sine wave and the other conducts during the second half.

## 5 V SUPPLY INCLUDING STABILIZED MOMENTARY BACKUP



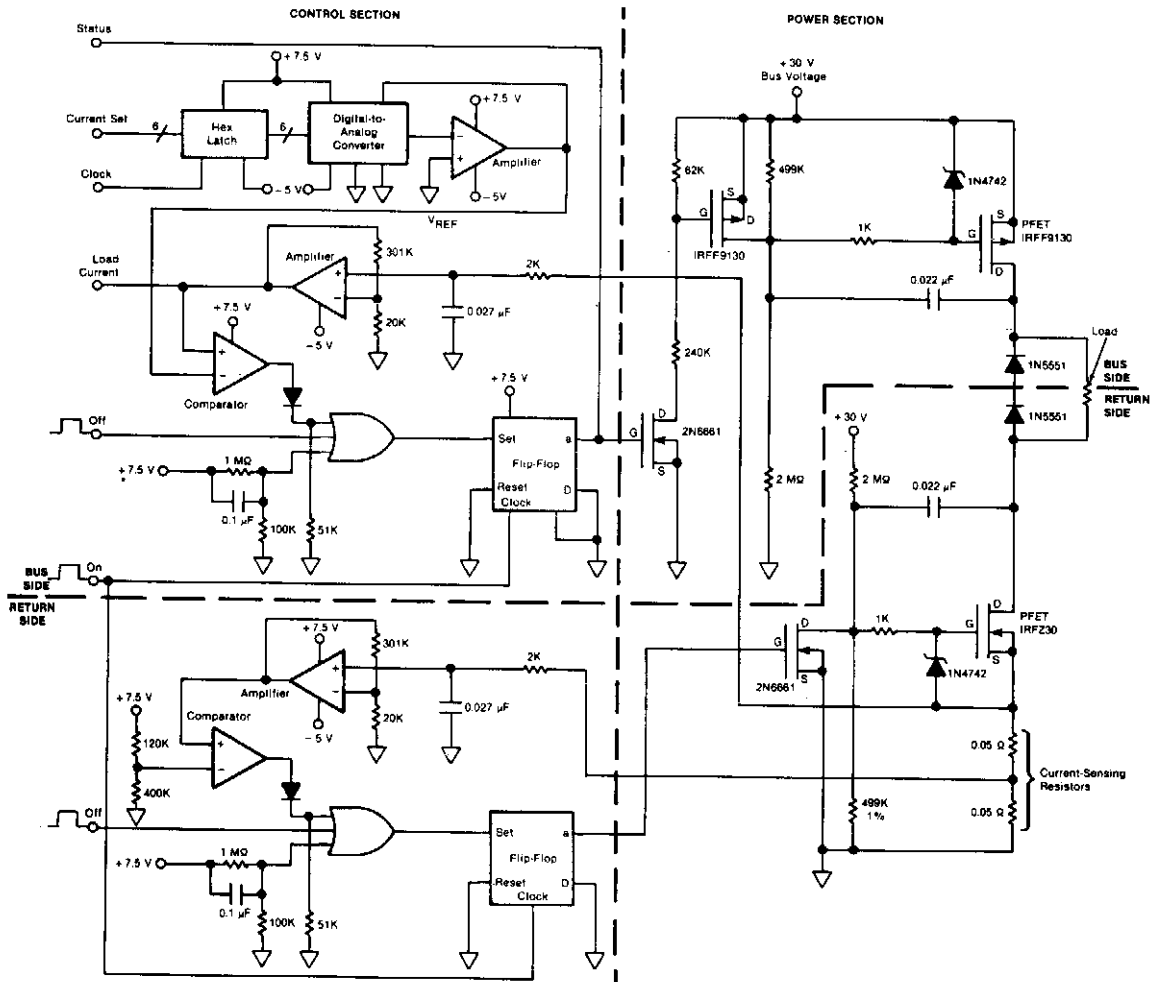
## 5 V SUPPLY INCLUDING STABILIZED MOMENTARY BACKUP , Continued.

### Circuit Notes

This circuit protects microprocessor systems from "brownouts" without the expense of an uninterruptible power supply. Designed around a small 9-V nickel cadmium battery the circuit continues to provide a constant 5-V output during brownouts of up to a few seconds. Load currents of up to 500 mA may be drawn using the components shown. With this mains-derived supply present, D5 is forward biased so that the stabilized supply powers the 5-V regulator and hence the circuitry to be protected. FET  $T_1$  is held on by D1, its drain current being provided from the dc supply via  $R_b$  and D2. Diode D3 is reverse-biased so that T2 is off, and the battery is isolated from D6.  $R_{CH}$  and D4 serve to trickle charge the battery with approximately 1.2 mA.

When the 12-V supply is removed, R1 and C1 initially keep T1 switched on. D3 is now forward biased, so that T1 drain current is drawn via  $R_b$ , D3 and T2 from the battery. This switches T2 on, allowing the load circuitry to draw current from the battery via D6 and the 5-V regulator. After a few seconds C1 has discharged (via R1) such that  $V_{gs}$  falls below the threshold value for the FET, and T1 switches off. There is then no path for T2 base current, so that it also switches off, isolating the battery.

# POWER-SWITCHING CIRCUIT



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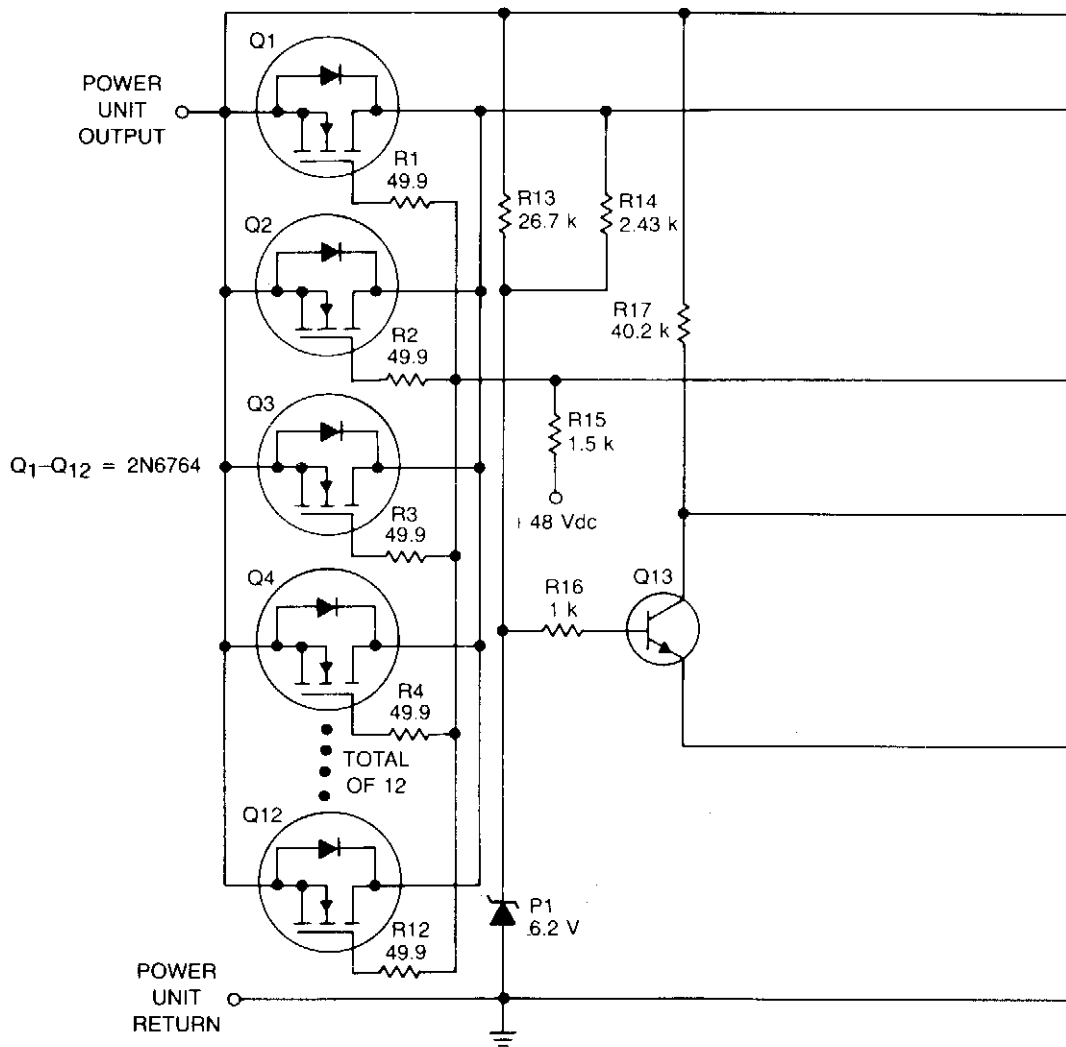
Fig. 72-4

## POWER-SWITCHING CIRCUIT, Continued.

### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides on/off switching, soft starting, current monitoring, current tripping, and protection against overcurrent for a 30 Vdc power supply at normal load currents up to 2 A. The switch is turned on by an "on" command pulse; it is turned off by an "off" command pulse. An overcurrent trip can also be set on the bus side by a 6-digit binary signal, which is converted to an analog voltage and compared with the amplified voltage developed across a load-current-sensing resistor. Resistor/capacitor combinations ( $0.027 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) at the inputs of the current-sensing amplifiers act as low-pass filters: this introduces a few hundred  $\mu\text{s}$  of delay in the response to overcurrent, thereby providing some immunity to noise. The  $0.022 \mu\text{F}$  capacitors connected to the drain terminals of the PFETs provide a Miller effect, which reduces the rate of change of the drain voltage and therefore the rate of rise of current at turn-on. The soft-turn-on time depends upon the load impedance and is typically 100 to 200 ms.

## RADIATION-HARDENED, 125 A LINEAR REGULATOR



**Fig. 72-5**

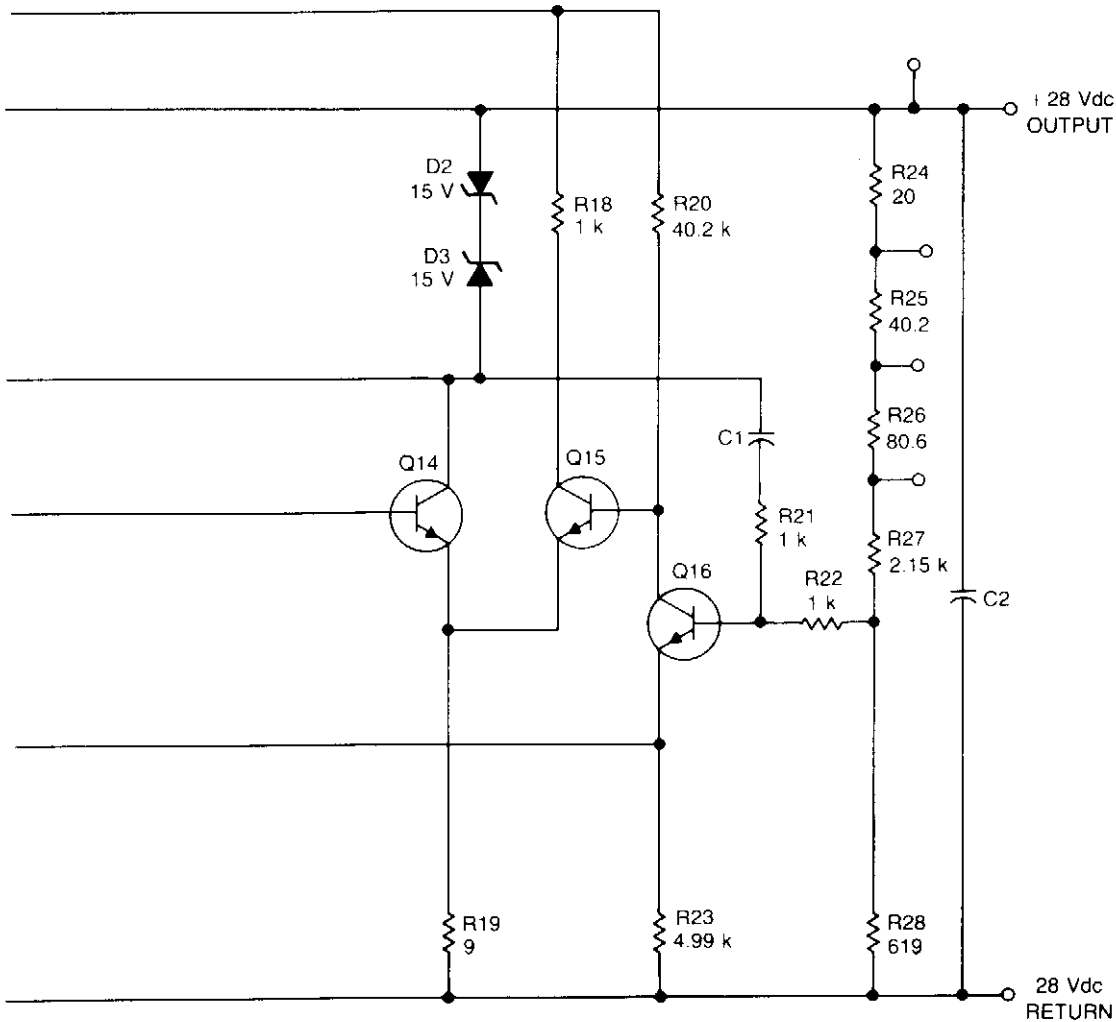
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### Circuit Notes

Intended for extreme temperature, radiation-hardened environments, this linear supply is capable of supplying 28 Vdc at 125 A from an ac-driven power unit.

In operation, power supply output voltage is sensed by the voltage divider consisting of R24 to R28 and fed to one input of a discrete differential amplifier composed of Q13





through Q16. The other input of the amplifier is connected to a radiation-hardened zener diode, D1. Local feedback using R21 and C1 produces gain to phase shift that are independent of individual component parameters, which provides stable operation into the required loads.

## SWITCH MODE POWER SUPPLY

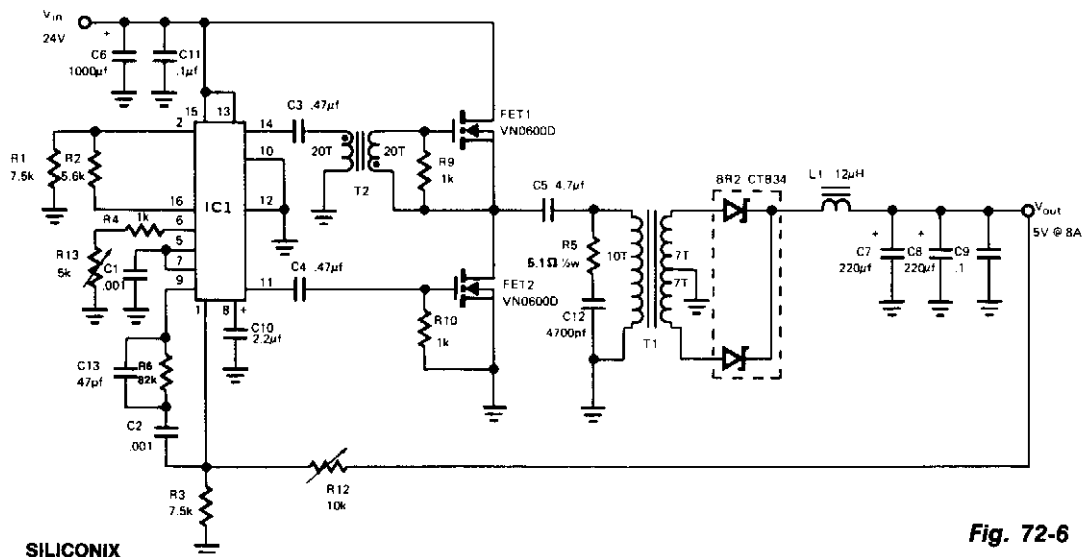


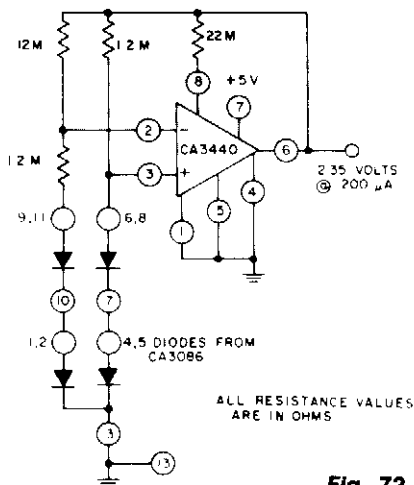
Fig. 72-6

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### Circuit Notes

This buck-derived circuit provides up to 8 A at 5 Vdc operating off 24 to 32 Vdc. The two power MOSFETs in the circuit conduct alternately for equal periods. Switching frequency is 150 kHz, set by the PWM125 controller. Output of the two MOSFETs is transformed to a low-voltage level, then rectified. Efficiency of the circuit is 75% when operated in a 22 to 32 V range. Efficiency approaches 90% with higher voltage inputs.

## MICROPOWER BANDGAP REFERENCE SUPPLY



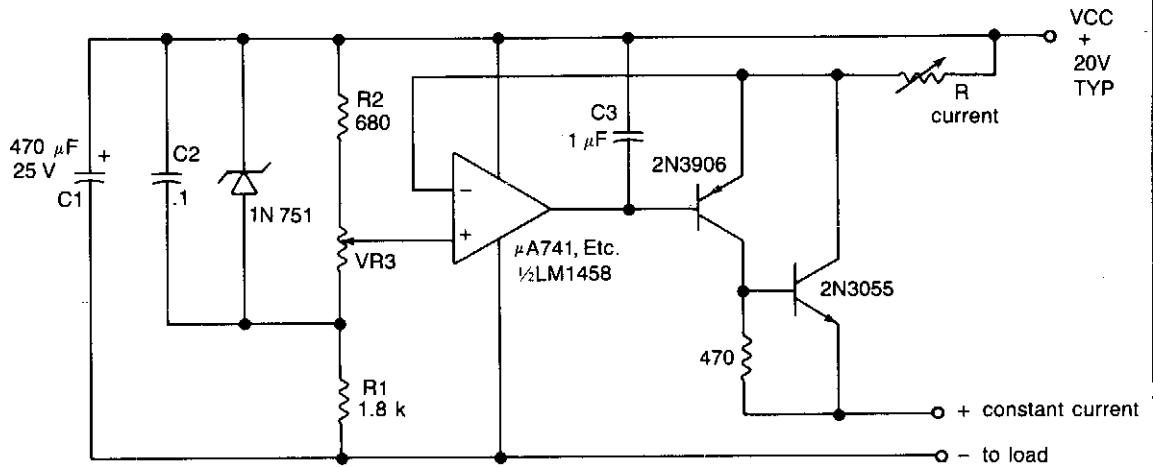
### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3440 BiMOS op amp and CA3086 transistor array. The no-load current from 5-volt supply is 1.5 µA. Load current can go as high as 200 µA and still maintain output voltage regulation within 0.05%.

Fig. 72-7

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### VARIABLE CURRENT SOURCE, 100 mA TO 2 AMP



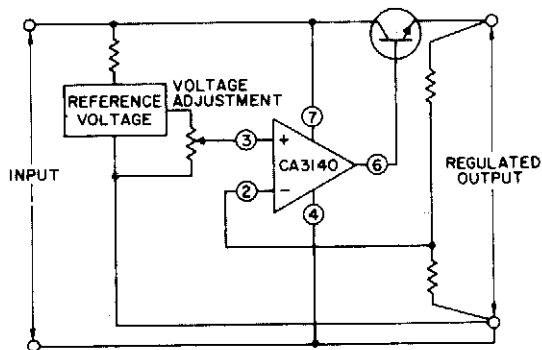
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Fig. 72-8

#### Circuit Notes

The output current is set by the resistor R in the collector of Tr2, which may be varied to offer a range of output currents from 100 mA to 2 A with fine control by means of VR3 which varies the reference voltage to the non-inverting input of the op amp. The feedback path from the output to the inverting input of the op amp maintains a constant voltage across R, equal to  $(V_{CC} - V_{IN})$  and hence a constant current to the load given by  $(V_{CC} - V_{IN})/R$ .

### BASIC SINGLE-SUPPLY VOLTAGE REGULATOR



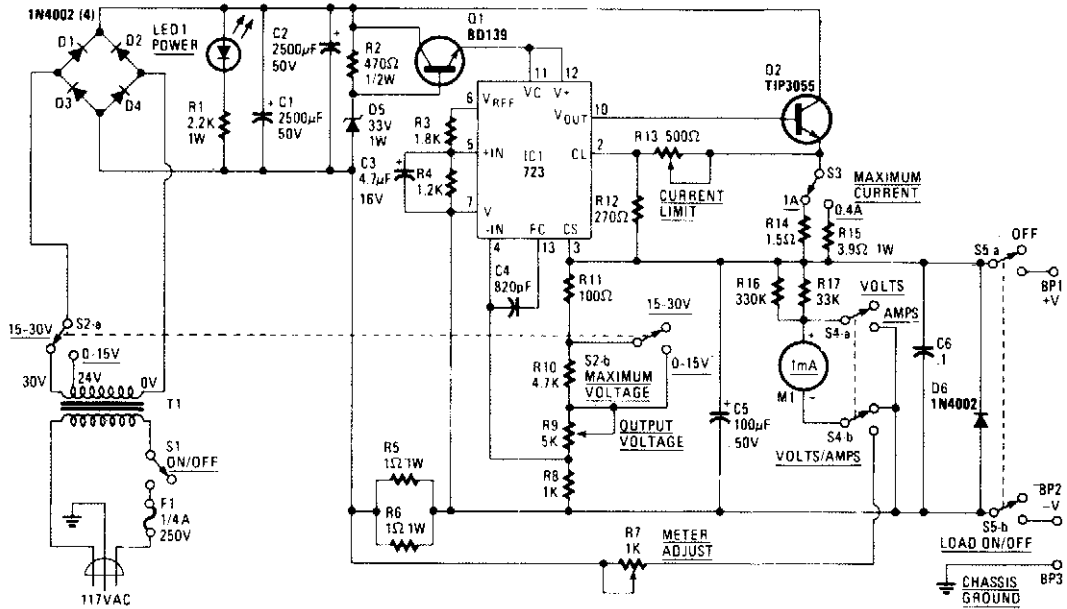
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Fig. 72-9

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3140 BiMOS op amp capable of supplying a regulated output that can be adjusted from essentially 0 to 24 volts.

## BENCH TOP POWER SUPPLY



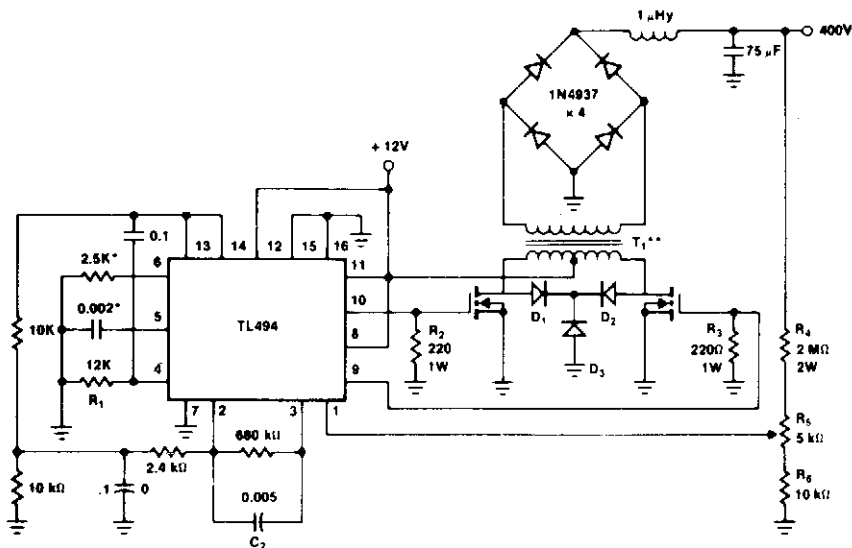
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Fig. 72-10

### Circuit Notes

A tapped transformer drives a diode bridge (D1-D4) and two 2500  $\mu$ F filter capacitors (C1 and C2), that provide a no-load voltage of 37 or 47 volts, depending upon the position of switch S2a. The unregulated dc is then fed to a pre-regulator stage composed of Q1 and D5. Those components protect IC1 (the 723) from an over-voltage condition; the 723 can't handle more than 40 volts. The LED (LED1) and its 2.2 k current-limiting resistor (R1) provide on/off indication. The current through the LED varies slightly according to the transformer tap selected, but that's of no real consequence. The series-pass transistor in IC1 drives voltage-follower Q2, providing current amplification. The transistor can handle lots of power. It has a maximum collector current of 15 amps and a maximum  $V_{CE}$  of 70 V, both of which are more than adequate for our supply.

## 400-VOLT, 60-WATT PUSH-PULL POWER SUPPLY



### NOTES

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

ALL RESISTORS 5%, 1/4 W

ALL CAPACITOR VALUES IN MICROFARADS, 25V

Q<sub>1</sub> & Q<sub>2</sub>: VN64GA ON HEAT SINK

D<sub>1</sub> & D<sub>2</sub>: 1N4934

D<sub>3</sub>: 33V, 3W ZENER

T<sub>1</sub>: PRI: 12T, CT, NO 18 AWG

SEC: 275T, NO 24 AWG

CORE: IND GEN 8231-1

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Fig. 72-11

### Circuit Notes

The design delivers a regulated 400-V, 60-W output. The TL494 switching regulator governs the operating frequency and regulates output voltage. R1 and C1 determine switching frequency, which is approximately 0.5RC—100 kHz for the values shown. The TL494 directly drives the FET's gates with a voltage-controlled, pulse-width-modulated signal. After full-wave rectification, the output waveform is filtered by a choke-input arrangement. The 1 μH, 75 μF filter accomplishes the job nicely at 100 kHz. A feedback scheme using R4, R5 and R6 provides for output-voltage regulation adjustment, with loop compensation handled by C2. Diodes D1 and D2 provide isolation and steering for the 33-V zener transient clamp, D3. Output regulation is typically 1.25% from no-load to the full 60-W design rating. Regulation is essentially determined by the TL494. Output noise and ripple consists mainly of positive and negative 0.8-V spikes occurring when the output stage switches.

## 500 kHz SWITCHING INVERTER FOR 12 V SYSTEMS

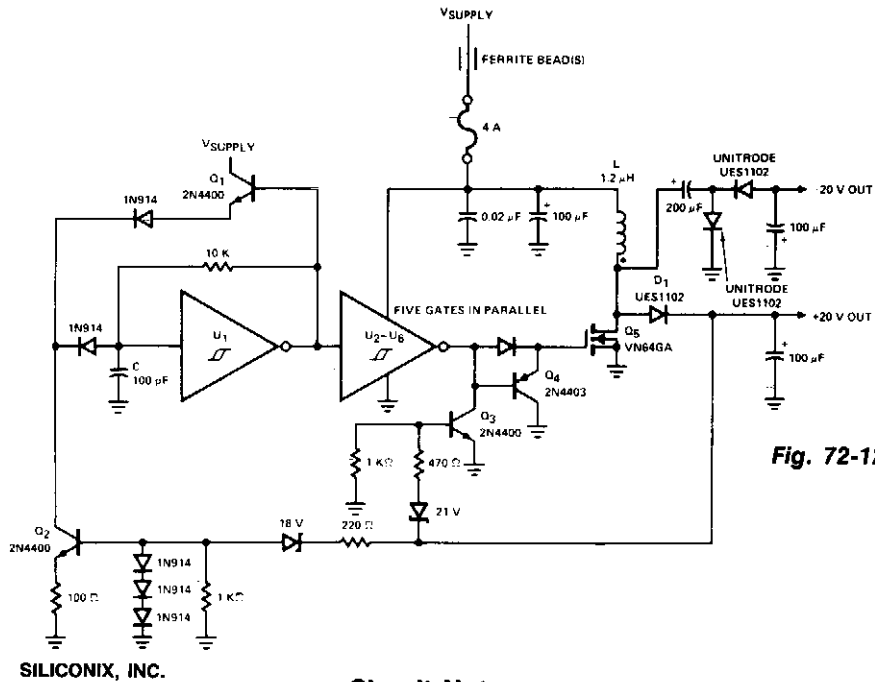


Fig. 72-12

### Circuit Notes

This PWM control circuit provides the control pulse to the DMOS Power Switch in the flyback circuit. The output of the PWM is a pulse whose width is proportional to the input control voltage and whose repetition rate is determined by an external clock signal. To provide the control input to the PWM and to prevent the output voltage from soaring or sagging as the load changes the error amplifier and reference voltage complete the design. They act as the feedback loop in this control circuit much like that of a servo control system.

## 10 AMP-REGULATOR WITH CURRENT AND THERMAL PROTECTION

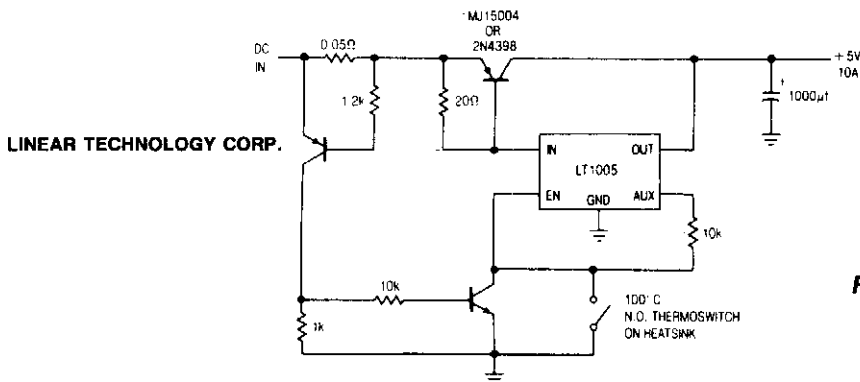


Fig. 72-13

## BIPOLAR POWER SUPPLY FOR BATTERY INSTRUMENTS

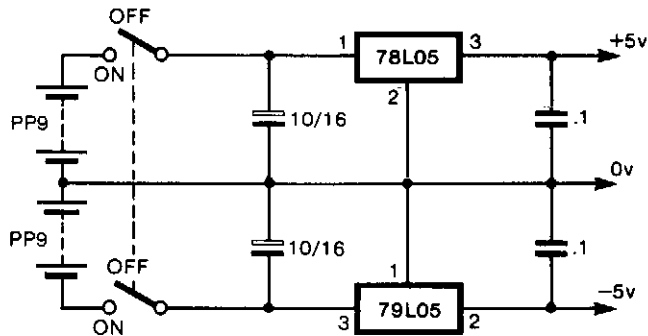


Fig. 1

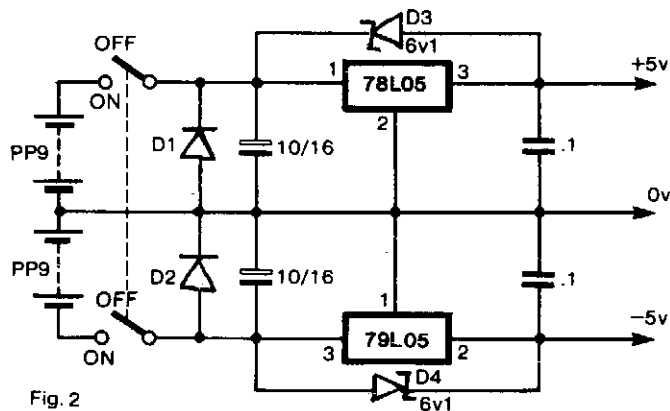


Fig. 2

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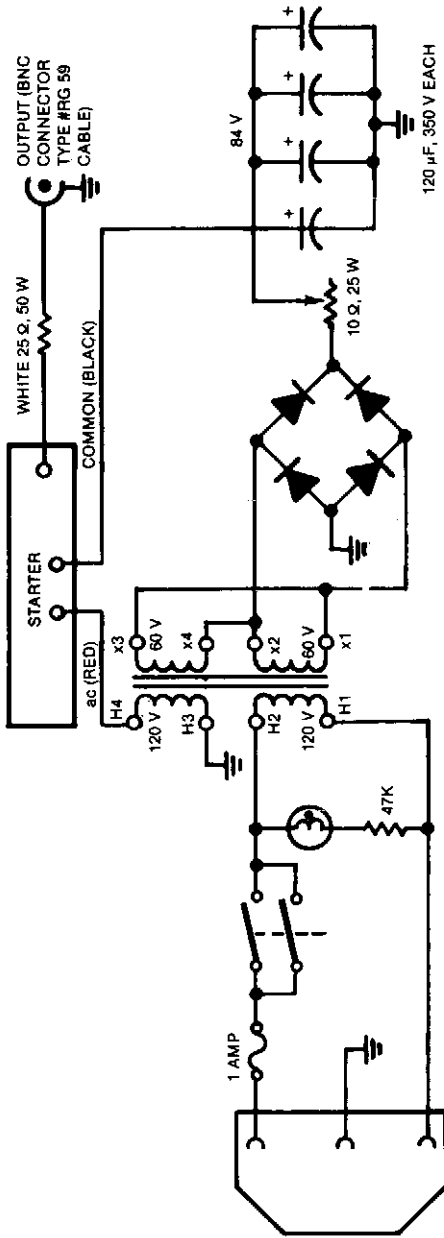
Fig. 72-14

### Circuit Notes

To generate regulated  $\pm 5$ -V supplies from a pair of dry batteries, the circuit of Fig. 1 is commonly used. In order to give protection from inadvertent reverse connection of a battery, a diode in series with each battery would produce an unacceptable voltage drop. The more effective approach is to fit diodes D1 and D2 as shown in Fig. 2, in parallel with each battery.

When the supply is switched off, there is the risk of a reverse bias being applied across the regulators, if there is significant inductance or capacitance in the load circuit. Diodes across the regulators prevent damage. When the power supply is switched on, the two switches do not act in unison. There is a probability that one or the other regulators will be latched hard off by the other. To prevent this, D3 and D4 are Zener diodes so that  $\pm 5$ -V rails are pulled up by the batteries until the regulators establish the correct levels.

## POWER SUPPLY FOR 25-WATT ARC LAMP



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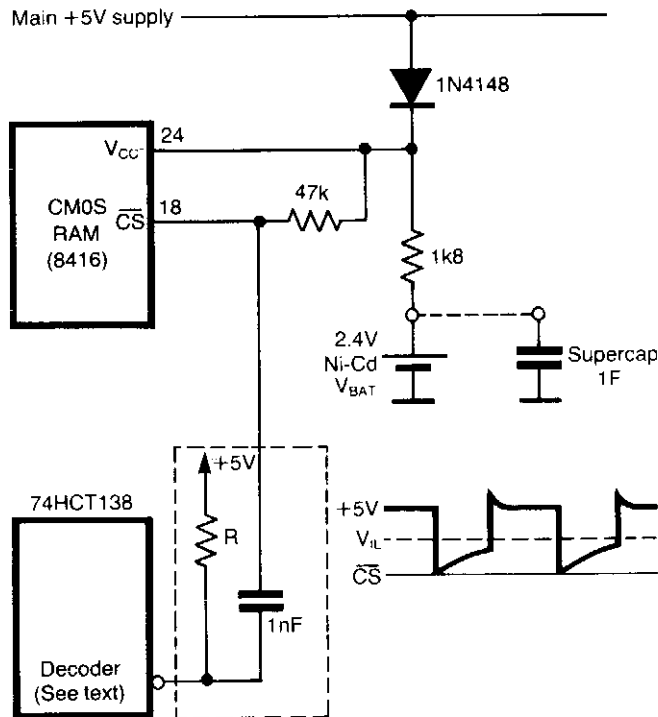
Fig. 72-15

### Circuit Notes

A dual-voltage circuitry both strikes and maintains the arc. The lamps require a starting voltage in excess of 1,000 volts. Once stabilized, the voltage drop across the lamp is near 20 volts. Power supply consists of two main sections. The first section, the low-voltage power supply section, is an 84-volt direct-current supply. This supply powers the stabilized arc. Current is limited by the 10 ohm adjustable and 25 ohm fixed resistance. The second section, the high-voltage starter circuit, is a Cockcroft-Walton voltage multiplier. With no load, the output voltage is 2,036 volts. However, when the arc is established, the heavy current drain maintains a forward bias on all of the diodes, and the circuit becomes a straight path with a voltage drop of 7.2 volts. The small value of the capacitors used in the multiplier guarantees that the diodes will be forward-biased once the arc is established.



## STAND-BY POWER FOR NON-VOLATILE CMOS RAMs



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Fig. 72-16

### Circuit Notes

To prevent loss of data when a CMOS RAM is switched from normal operation ( $V_{CC} = 5$  volts) to stand-by mode ( $V_{CC} = V_{BAT}$ ) it must be ensured that the CS pin goes near the  $V_{CC}$  rail at all times. Ac coupling to the chip select is made through capacitor C, breaking the dc current path between  $V_{CC}$  (and hence  $V_{BAT}$ ) and the decoder output. So, whatever the impedance state of the decoder in power down, the battery will provide current only for the RAM, low enough to keep the voltage at CS near to  $V_{CC}$ .

## HV REGULATOR WITH FOLDBACK CURRENT LIMITING

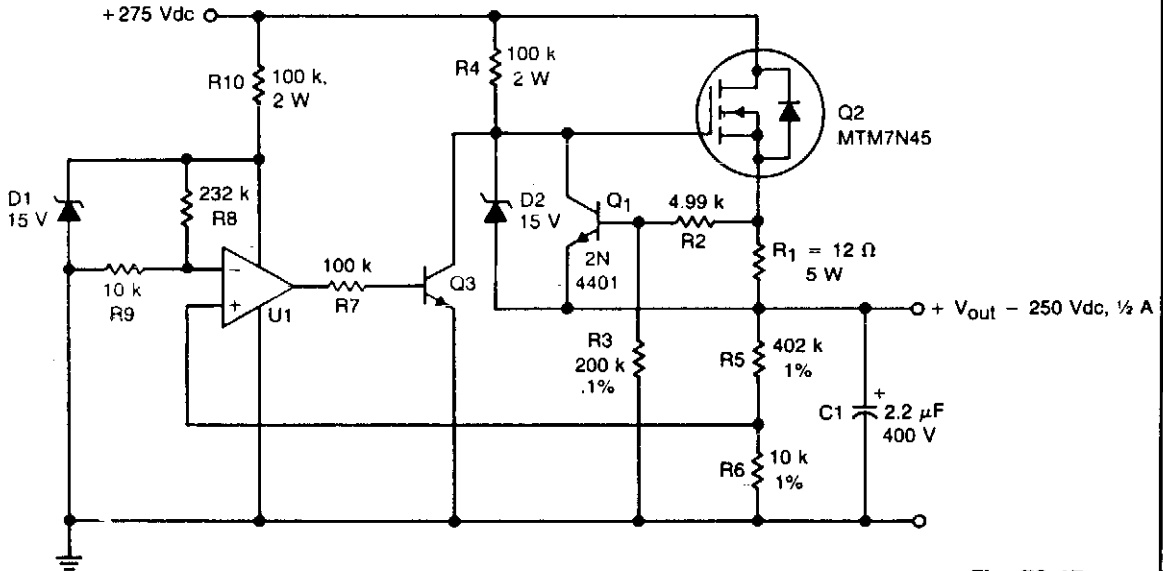


Fig. 72-17

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### Circuit Notes

A TMOS MTM7N45 (Q2) is used as a series pass element in a linear high voltage supply that accepts +275-V unregulated and produces 250 V regulated with foldback current limiting.

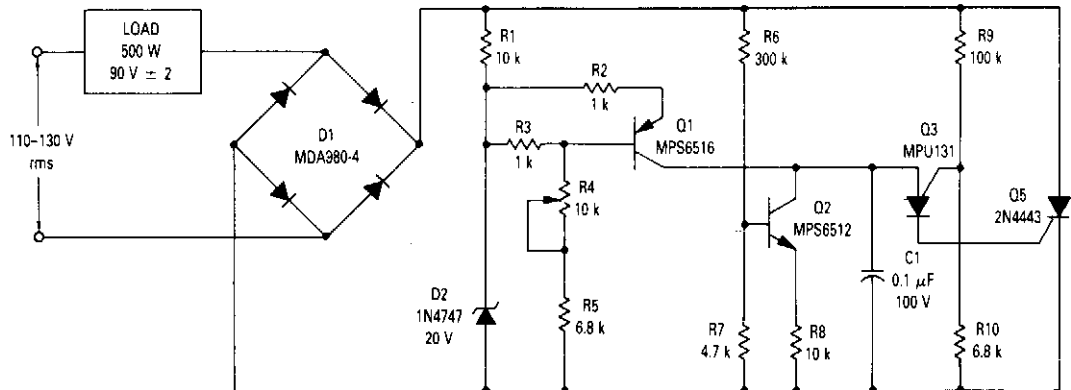
A 15-V zener, D1, provides the dc reference for operational amplifier U1, whose other input is obtained from a fraction of the output voltage. U1 drives Q3, which drives the gate of Q2. Foldback current limiting is achieved by R1, R2, R3, R4, Q1, and D2. The formula to establish the current "knee" for limiting is:

$$I_{\text{KNEE}} = \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}(R2/R2 + R3) + 0.5 \text{ V}}{R1}$$

Short circuit current is:

$$I_{\text{SC}} = \frac{0.5 \text{ V}}{R1}$$

## 90 V rms VOLTAGE REGULATOR USING A PUT



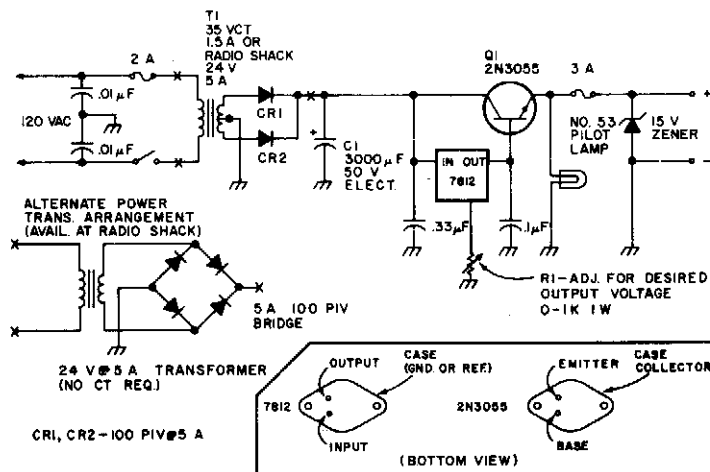
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Fig. 72-18

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is an open loop rms voltage regulator that will provide 500 watts of power at 90 V rms with good regulation for an input voltage range of 110-130 V rms. With the input voltage applied, capacitor C1 charges until the firing point of Q3 is reached causing it to fire. This turns Q5 on which allows current to flow through the load. As the input voltage increases, the voltage across R10 increases which increases the firing point of Q3. This delays the firing of Q3 because C1 now has to charge to a higher voltage before the peak-point voltage is reached. Thus the output voltage is held fairly constant by delaying the firing of Q5 as the input voltage increases. For a decrease in the input voltage, the reverse occurs.

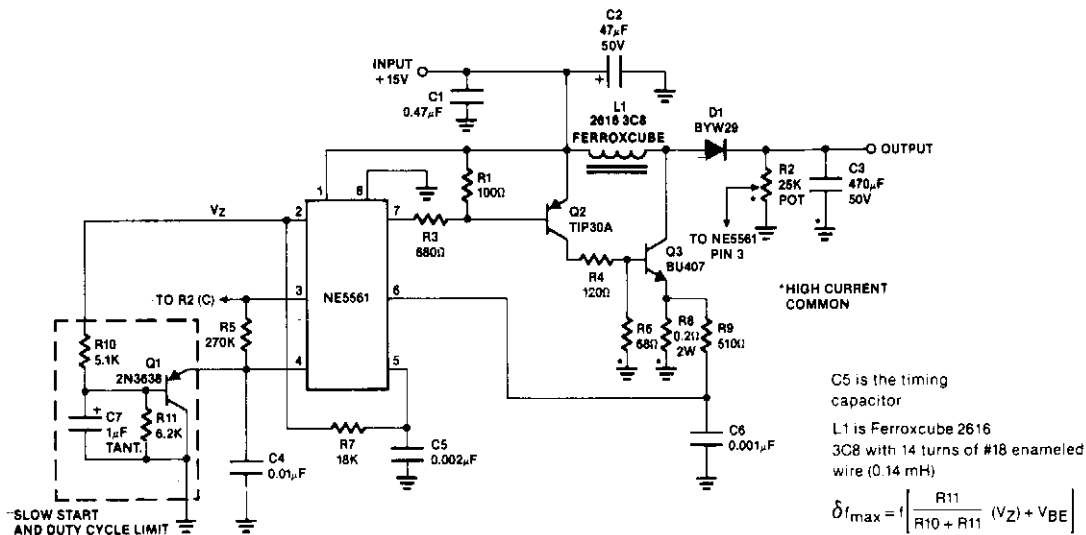
### 12-14 V REGULATED 3 A POWER SUPPLY



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Fig. 72-19

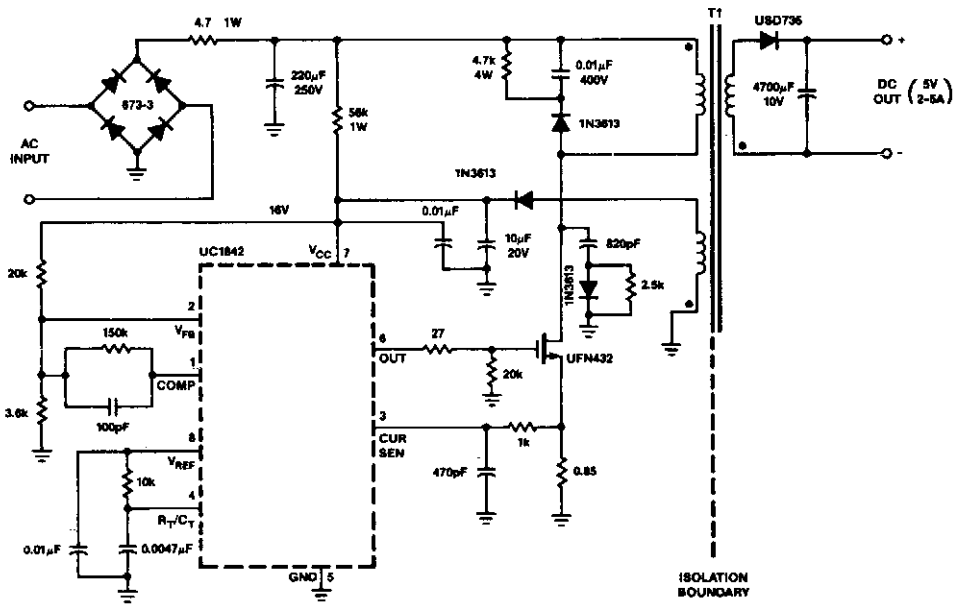
### DC-TO-DC SMPS VARIABLE 18 V TO 30 V OUT AT 0.2 A



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Fig. 72-20

## OFF-LINE FLYBACK REGULATOR



**NOTES:**

- T1: Coilcraft E-4140-B
- Primary - 9.7 turns  
single AWG 24
- Secondary - 4 turns  
4 parallel AWG 22
- Control - 9 turns  
3 parallel AWG 28

**SPECIFICATIONS**

|                      |   |  |              |
|----------------------|---|--|--------------|
| Input line voltage:  | 90V <sub>AC</sub> to 130V <sub>AC</sub> | Efficiency @ 25 W,                     |              |
| Input frequency:     | 50 or 60Hz                              | V <sub>IN</sub> = 90V <sub>AC</sub> :  | 70%          |
| Switching frequency: | 40kHz ± 10%                             | V <sub>IN</sub> = 130V <sub>AC</sub> : | 65%          |
| Output power:        | 25W maximum                             | Output short-circuit current:          | 2.5A average |
| Output voltage:      | 5V ± 5%                                 |  |              |
| Output current:      | 2 to 5A                                 |  |              |
| Line regulation:     | 0.01%/V                                 |  |              |
| Load regulation:     | 8%/A*                                   |  |              |

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**Fig. 72-21**

**Circuit Notes**

This circuit uses a low-cost feedback scheme in which the dc voltage developed from the primary-side control winding is sensed by the UC1842 error amplifier. Load regulation is therefore dependent on the coupling between secondary and control windings, and on transformer leakage inductance. For applications requiring better load regulation, a UC1901 Isolated Feedback Generator can be used to directly sense the output voltage.



### Circuit Notes

This SCR pre-regulator keeps the filter capacitor  $V_c$  in a variable output power supply, a few volts above the output voltage  $V_o$ . The benefits include: less heat dissipated by the pass transistor and therefore small heatsink, cooler operation and higher efficiency, especially at low output voltages.

Q1, R1, R2, D1 and D2 form a constant current source for zener Z1, so that the contribution to the output current is always a few mA (2 - 3 mA).

The Darlington pair Q2, Q3 keeps the SCR off. The voltage  $V_c$  decreases until  $V_c = V_o = V$  at which point the Darlington pair fires the SCR, charging the filter capacitor to a higher voltage  $V_c$  in less than half the period of the input voltage. The component values, shown are for a 0 - 250-V, 3-A power supply.

## VOLTAGE REGULATOR

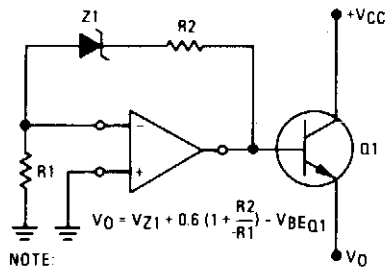


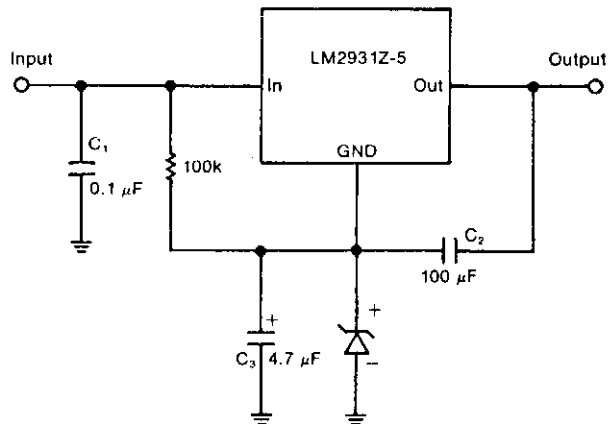
Fig. 72-23

NOTE:

For positive  $T_C$  zeners  $R2$  and  $R1$  can be selected to give 0  $T_C$  output.

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## ZENER DIODE INCREASE FIXED PNP REGULATOR'S OUTPUT VOLTAGE RATINGS



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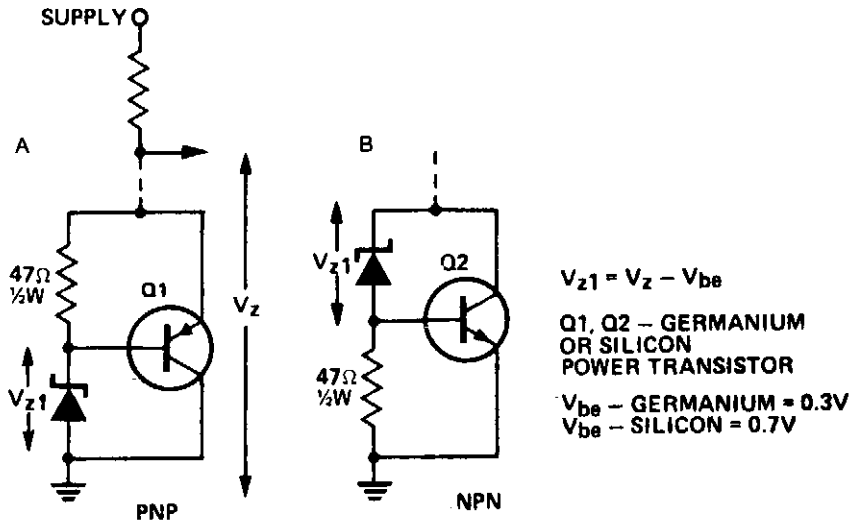
Fig. 72-24

### Circuit Notes

A zener diode in the ground lead of a fixed pnp regulator varies the voltage output of that device without a significant sacrifice in regulation. The technique also allows the regulator to operate with output voltages beyond its rated limit.



## INCREASING THE POWER RATING OF ZENER DIODES



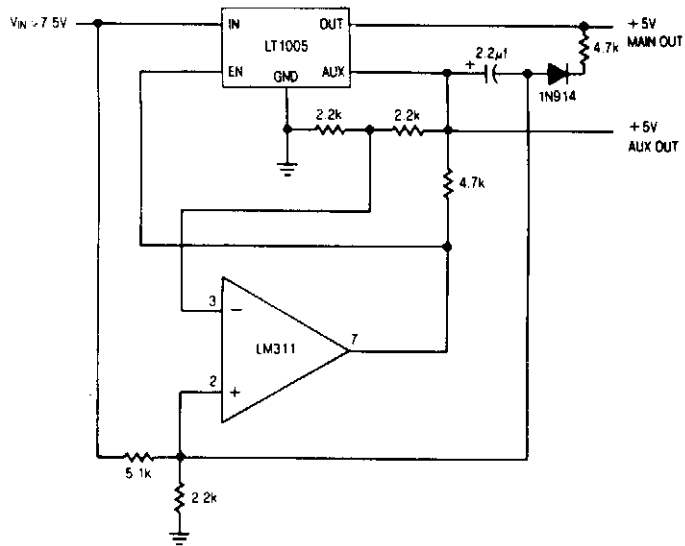
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Fig. 72-25

### Circuit Notes

A power transistor can be used to provide a high powered zener voltage from a low wattage zener. A 400 mW zener can be used where a 10 watt zener is required or a 1 W zener can be used where a 50 to 80 watt zener is required by using appropriate transistors for Q1 and Q2 in the circuits shown. Where low rating is required, Q1 would be an ASZ 15 (germanium) or an AY9140 (silicon). Q2 could be a 2N2955 (silicon). For higher powers, Q1 should be an ASZ18 (germanium) or a 2N2955 (silicon) and Q2 a 2N3055 (silicon) or an AY8149 (silicon). A heatsink on the transistor is required. The circuit in A has the advantage that power transistors can be bolted directly on to a chassis which may serve as a heatsink.

## MEMORY SAVE ON POWER-DOWN



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Fig. 72-26

### Circuit Notes

The auxiliary output powers the memory, while the main output powers the system and is connected to the memory store pin. When power goes down, the main output goes low, commanding the memory to store. The auxiliary output then drops out.

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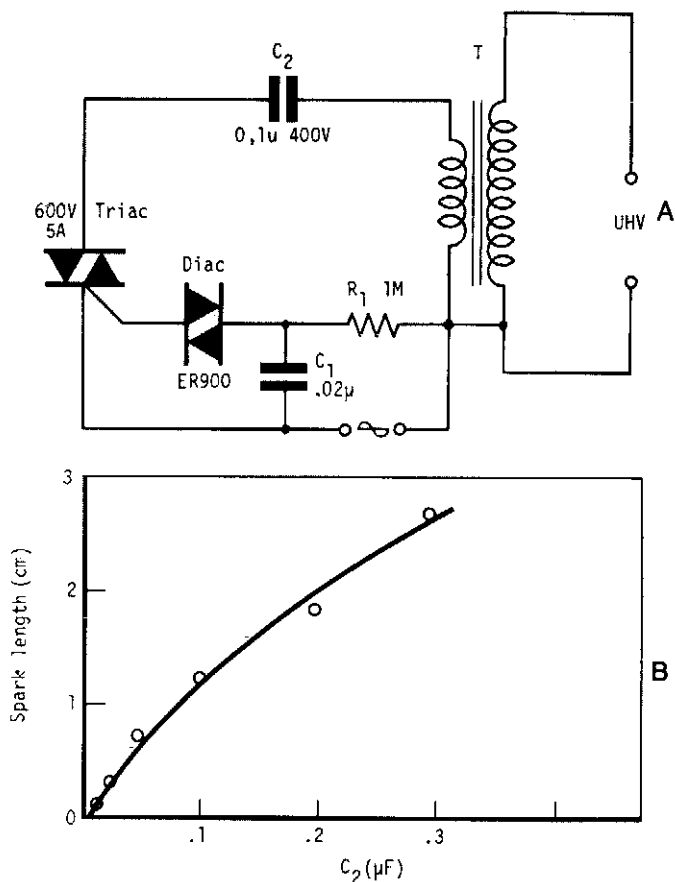
## Power Supply Circuits (High Voltage)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Low Cost Ultra High Generator  
Simple High-Voltage Supply  
High Voltage Geiger Counter Supply  
High Voltage Supply

## LOW COST ULTRA HIGH VOLTAGE GENERATOR



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Fig. 73-1

### Circuit Notes

By repetitively charging and discharging a capacitor through the primary of an induction coil with a high voltage, an ultra high emf is induced in the secondary. Switching is performed by the triac, triggered by the disc at times set by C<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>1</sub>. With a 12 V car ignition coil for example, the length of sparkgap obtained is 12 mm of air for C<sub>2</sub> = 0.1 μF. If the dielectric strength of air is assumed to be 3 kV/mm, this spark-gap length corresponds to 36 kV. From the curve shown in Fig. B, care must be taken in keeping the value of C<sub>2</sub> below 1 μF as the coil is liable to be seriously damaged at this value of C<sub>2</sub>. Power consumption is only about one watt.

### SIMPLE HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY

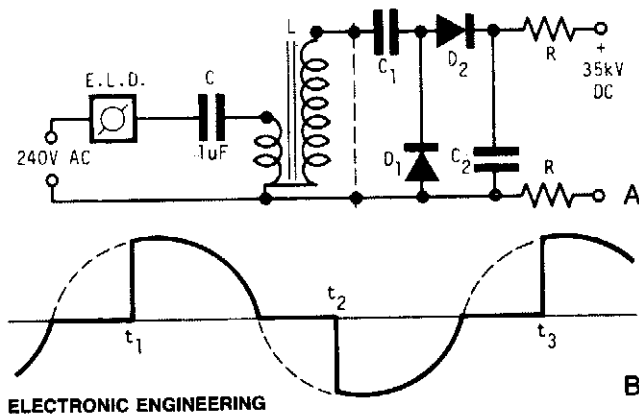
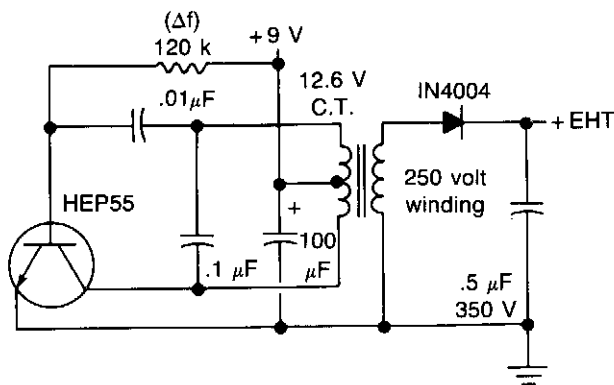


Fig. 73-2

#### Circuit Notes

A light dimmer, a  $1 \mu\text{F}$  capacitor and a 12 V car ignition coil form the simple line powered HV generator. The current in the dimmer is shown in Fig. B. At times  $t_1, t_2, \dots$ , set by the dimmer switch, the inner triac of the dimmer switches on, and a very high and very fast current pulse charges the capacitor through the primary of the induction coil. Then at a rate of 120 times per second for a 60 Hz line, a very high voltage pulse appears at the secondary of the coil. To obtain an HV dc output, use a voltage doubler. D1 and D2 are selenium rectifiers (TV 18 Siemens or ITT) used for the supply of television sets. High value output shock protection resistors, R, are recommended when suitable.

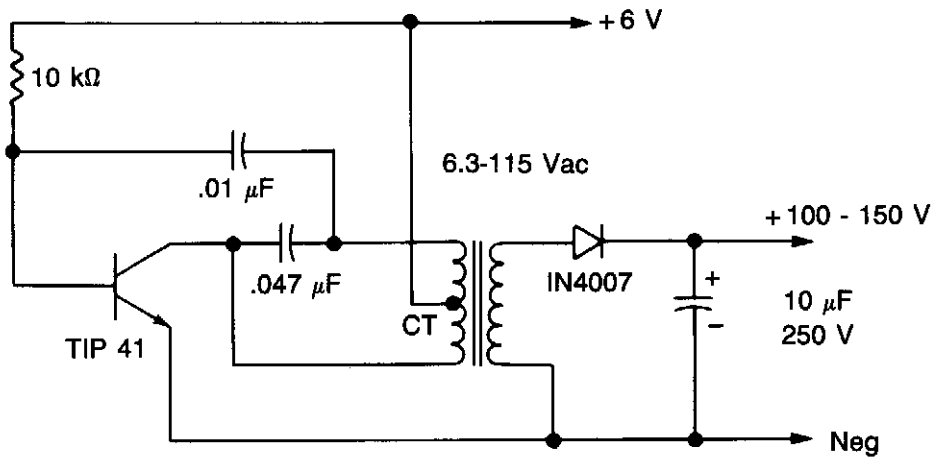
### HIGH VOLTAGE GEIGER COUNTER SUPPLY



#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will generate about 300 volts dc—at a very low current, but enough for a GM tube.

### HIGH VOLTAGE SUPPLY



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Fig. 73-4

#### Circuit Notes

A 6 V battery can provide 100-150 Vdc center-tapped at a high internal impedance (not dangerous though it can inflict an unpleasant jolt). A 6.3 V transformer is connected "in reverse" with a transistor used in a Hartley oscillator configuration. The frequency of operation may be controlled by varying the value of the 10 K ohm resistor. The 10 μF capacitor must have a working voltage of at least 250 Vdc.

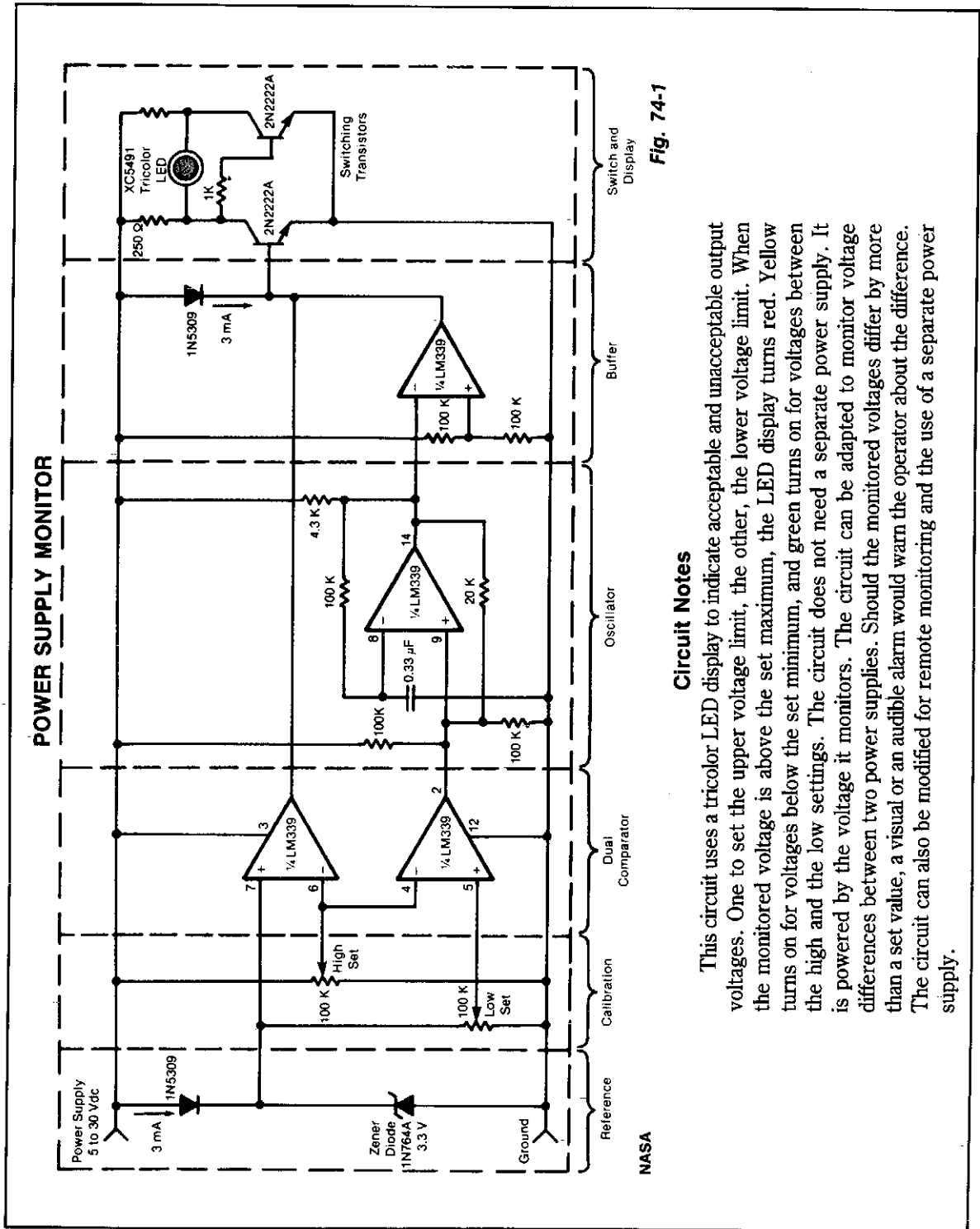
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## Power Supply Monitors

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Power Supply Monitor  
Low-Volts Alarm  
Microprocessor Power Supply Watchdog  
Overvoltage Protection Circuit (SCR Crowbar)  
Power Supply Protection Circuit



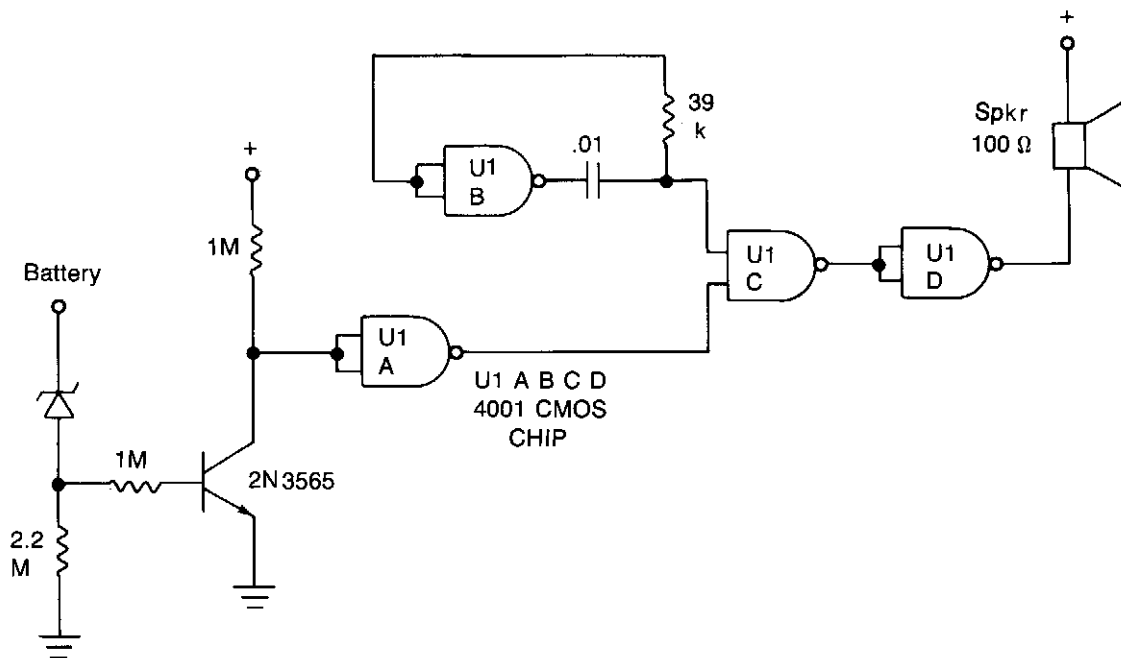
#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a tricolor LED display to indicate acceptable and unacceptable output voltages. One to set the upper voltage limit, the other, the lower voltage limit. When the monitored voltage is above the set maximum, the LED display turns red. Yellow turns on for voltages below the set minimum, and green turns on for voltages between the high and the low settings. The circuit does not need a separate power supply. It is powered by the voltage it monitors. The circuit can be adapted to monitor voltage differences between two power supplies. Should the monitored voltages differ by more than a set value, a visual or an audible alarm would warn the operator about the difference. The circuit can also be modified for remote monitoring and the use of a separate power supply.

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## LOW-VOLTS ALARM



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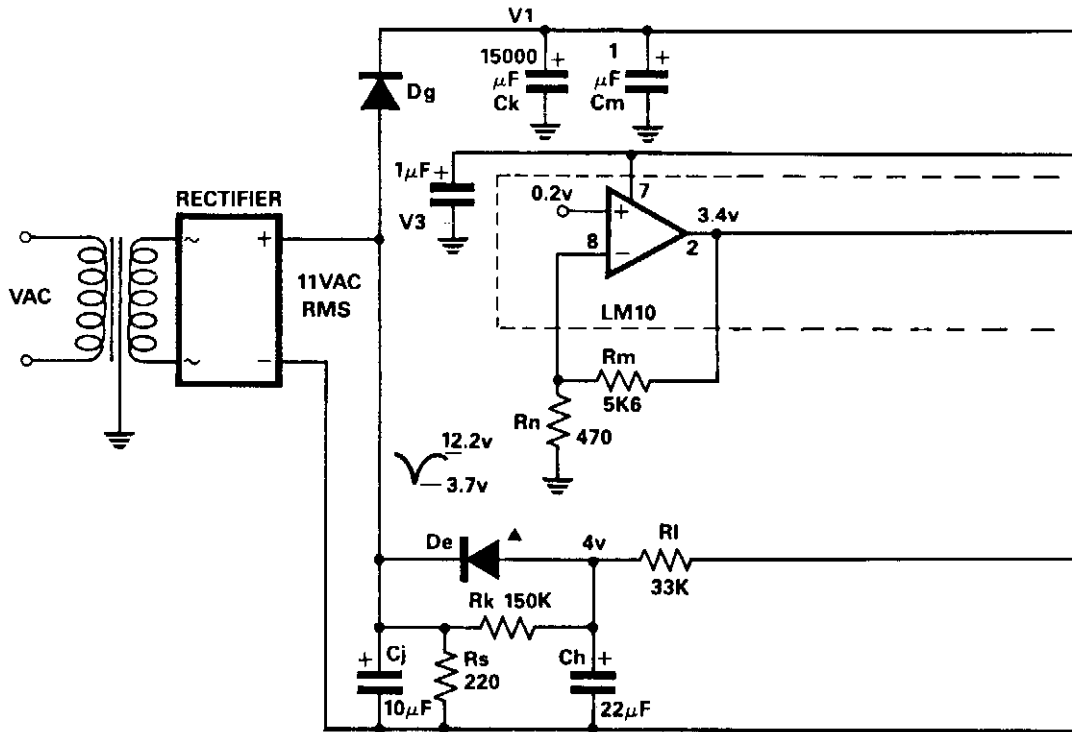
Fig. 74-2

### Circuit Notes

This inexpensive dc supply-voltage monitor sounds a warning when the voltage falls below a preset value. It is ideal for monitoring rechargeable batteries since it draws only a few microamperes when not sounding. The voltage at which the alarm sounds is determined by the zener diode. When the voltage falls below the zener voltage, the alarm sounds. The alarm tone is determined by the RC time constant of the 39 k resistor and 0.01 mf capacitor.

## MICROPROCESSOR POWER SUPPLY WATCHDOG

Fig 1

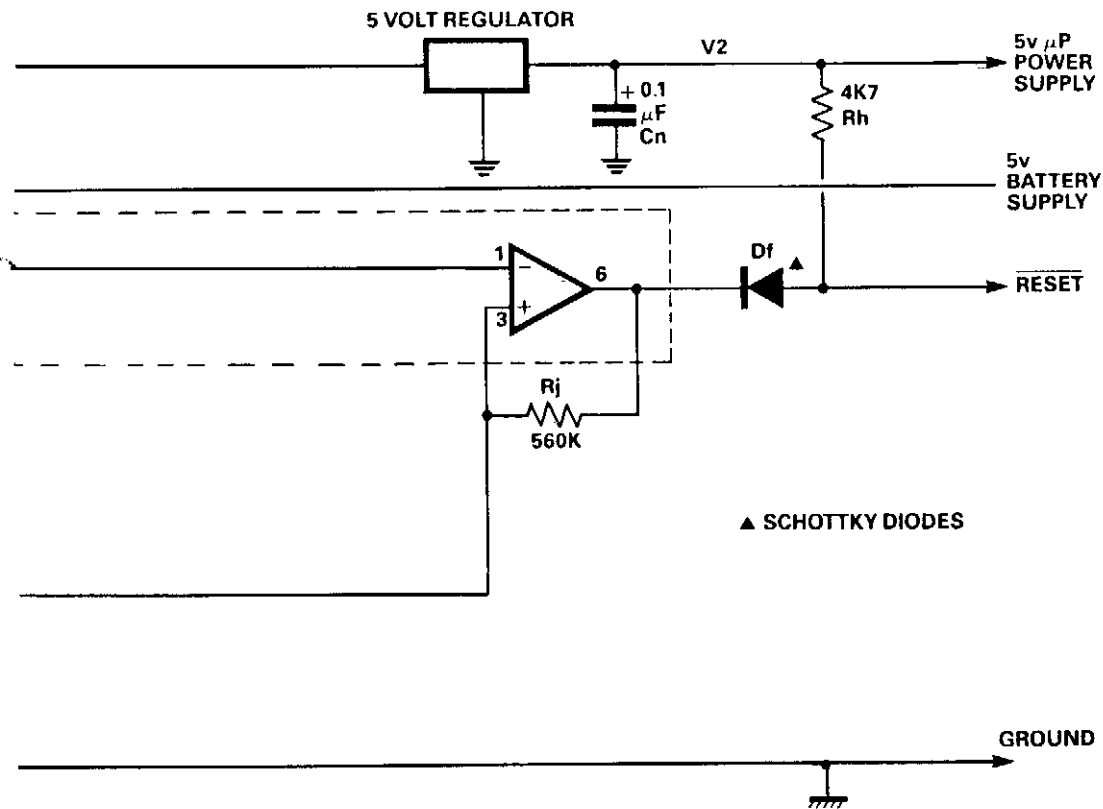


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Fig. 74-3

### Circuit Notes

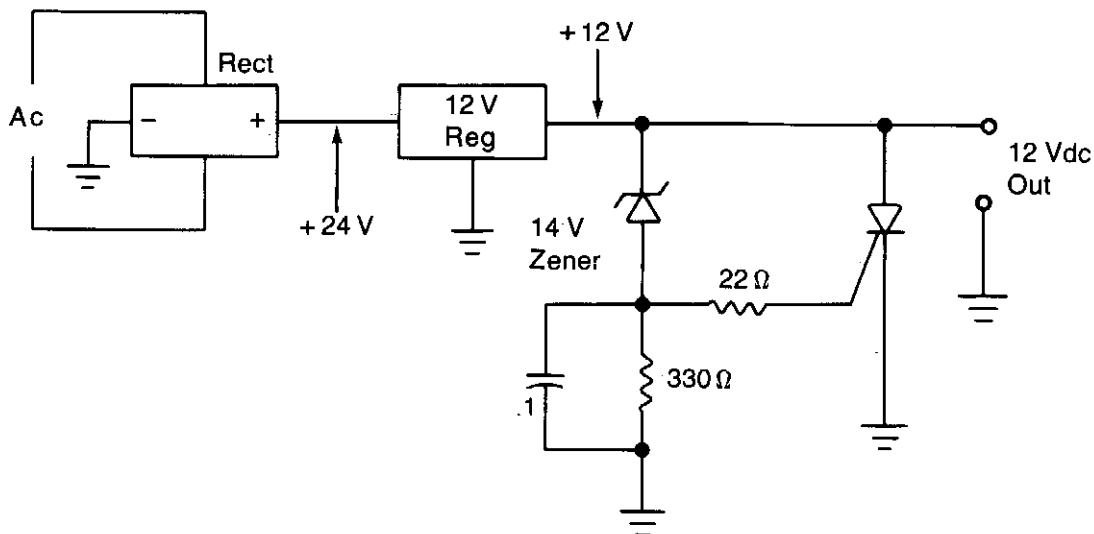
The circuit monitors the input to the microprocessor 5 V regulated supply for voltage drops and initiates a reset sequence before supply regulation is lost. In operation, the resistor capacitor combination  $R_s$  and  $C_j$  form a short time constant smoothing network for the output of the fullwave bridge rectifier. An approximately triangular, voltage waveform appears across  $C$  and  $R_s$  and it is the minimum excursion of this that initiates



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the reset. Diode Dg prevents charge sharing between capacitors Cj and Ck. Resistors Rn and Rm form a feedback network around the voltage reference section of the LM10C, setting a threshold voltage of 3.4 volts. The threshold voltage is set at 90% of the minimum voltage of the triangular waveform. When the triangular wave trough, at the comparator's non-inverting input, dips below the threshold, the comparator output is driven low. This presents a reset to the microprocessor. Capacitor Ch is charged slowly through resistor Rk and discharged rapidly through diode De.

## OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION CIRCUIT (SCR CROWBAR)



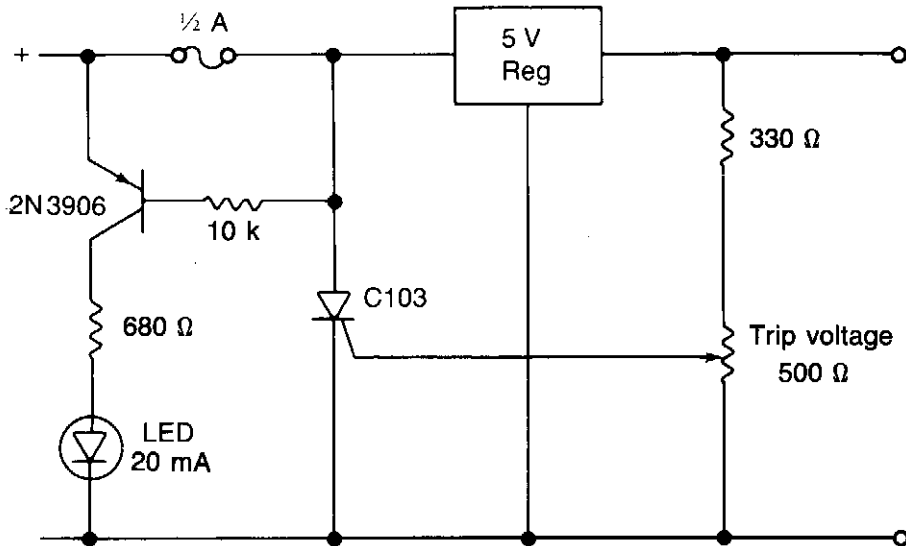
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Fig. 74-4

### Circuit Notes

The silicon controlled rectifier (SCR) is rated to handle at least the current of the power supply. It is connected in parallel across the 12 V dc output lines, but remains inert until a voltage appears at the gate terminal. This triggering voltage is supplied by the zener diode. At potentials less than 14 V the zener will not conduct current. But, at potentials greater than 14 Vdc the zener conducts and creates a voltage drop across the 330 ohm resistor that will fire the SCR. When the SCR turns on, the output lines of the power supply are shorted to ground. This will blow the primary fuse or burn out the transformer if there is no primary fuse.

## POWER SUPPLY PROTECTION CIRCUIT



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Fig. 74-5

### Circuit Notes

When using a regulated supply to reduce a supply voltage there is always the danger of component failure in the supply and consequent damage to the equipment. A fuse will protect when excess current is drawn, but might be too slow to cope with overvoltage conditions. The values shown are for a 12 V supply being dropped to 5 V. The trip voltage is set to 5.7 V to protect the equipment in the event of a regulator fault. The 330 ohm resistor and the 500 ohm potentiometer form a potential divider which samples the output voltage as set by adjustment of the potentiometer. The SCR is selected to carry at least twice the fuse rating. The full supply voltage is connected to the input of the regulator. The 2N2906 is held bias off by the 10 k resistor and the SCR so that the LED is held off. If the output voltage rises above a set trip value then the SCR will conduct, the fuse will blow, and the 2N3906 will be supplied with base current via the 10 k resistor, and the LED will light up.

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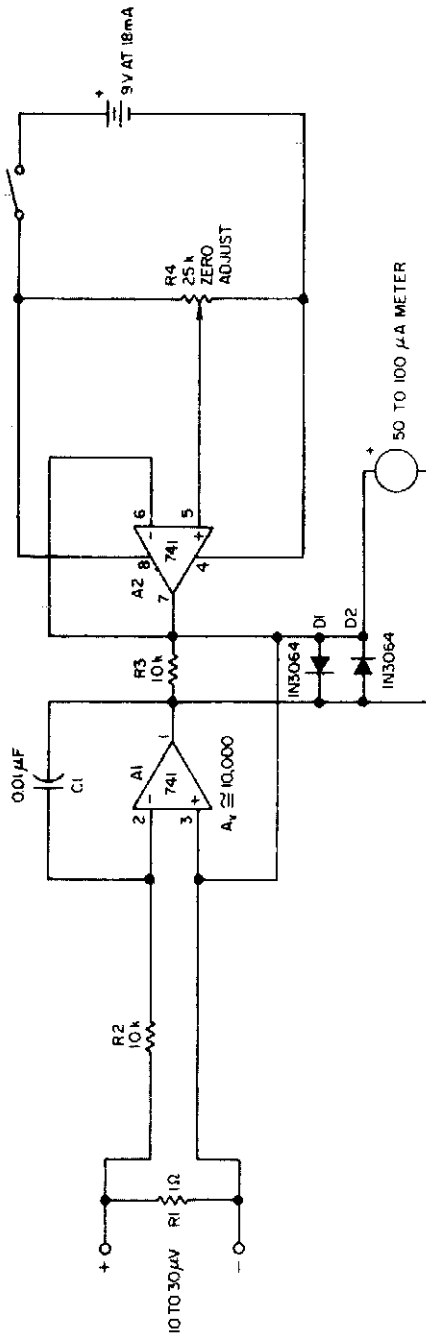
## Probes

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Microvolt Probe  
Single Injector-Tracer  
General Purpose RF Detector  
Clamp-on-Current Probe Compensator  
650 MHz Amplifying Prescaler Probe  
Tone Probe for Testing Digital ICs

## MICROVOLT PROBE



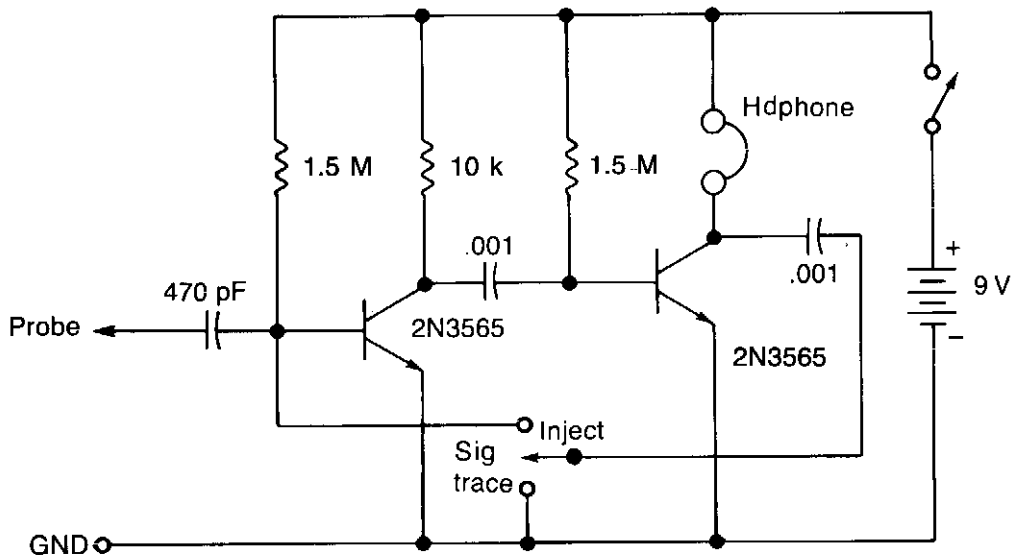
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Fig. 75-1

### Circuit Notes

The current tracer helps locate a defective IC that is loading down the power supply. The tracer amplifies the small voltage drop caused by current flow along a fraction of an inch of PC wiring and drives an ordinary microammeter. Needle-point test probes are used to contact the edge of a PC trace and to follow the current to determine which branch the current takes. One-half of a dual 741 op amp forms a dc amplifier with ac feedback to prevent oscillations and hum-pickup problems. It drives a 50-to-100 µA meter. The other op amp provides a center tap for the 9 V battery supply and zero adjustment with R4. Two diodes protect the meter. Resistor R1 eliminates the necessity for shorting the probes when the meter is zeroed. The value of 1 ohm is large when compared with the resistance of the meter leads plus the bridged portion of PC wiring.

### SINGLE INJECTOR-TRACER



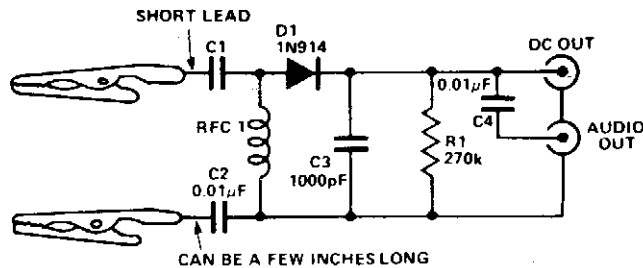
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Fig. 75-2

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit will provide a nominal square wave output in the audio range in the "Inject" mode, the harmonics of which should be heard at several MHz. In the "Trace" mode the non-linear operation of the amplifier will detect modulated rf signals which will be filtered by the .001  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor and heard in the headphones.

### GENERAL PURPOSE RF DETECTOR



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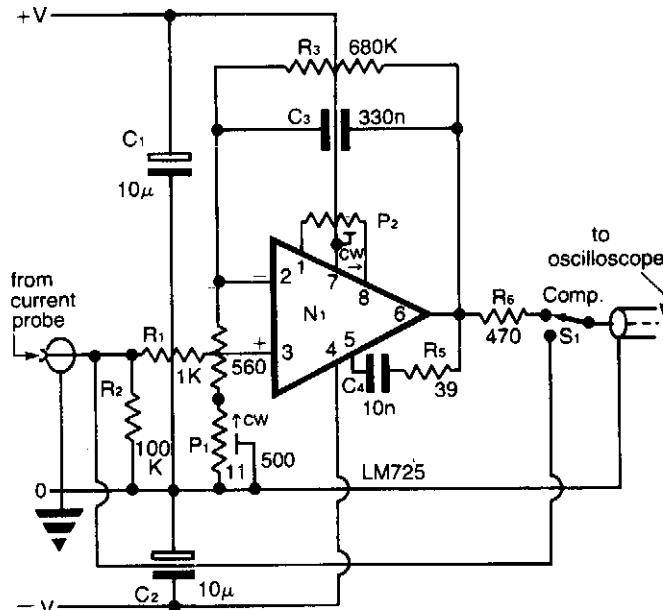
Fig. 75-3

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit provides a dc output to a meter and an audio output (if necessary) for checking transmitters or modulated signals. It can be used also as a field strength meter or transmitter monitor.



## CLAMP-ON-CURRENT PROBE COMPENSATOR



### Table

| Tek P6021, on its own    | with Tek amp. 134                            | with compensator |
|--------------------------|--|------------------|
| 120Hz to 60MHz @ 10mA/mV | 12Hz to 38MHz                                | 1Hz to 100kHz @  |
| 450Hz to 60MHz @ 2mA/mV  | (switched 1mA to 1A/div for 50mV/div output) | 2mA/mV           |

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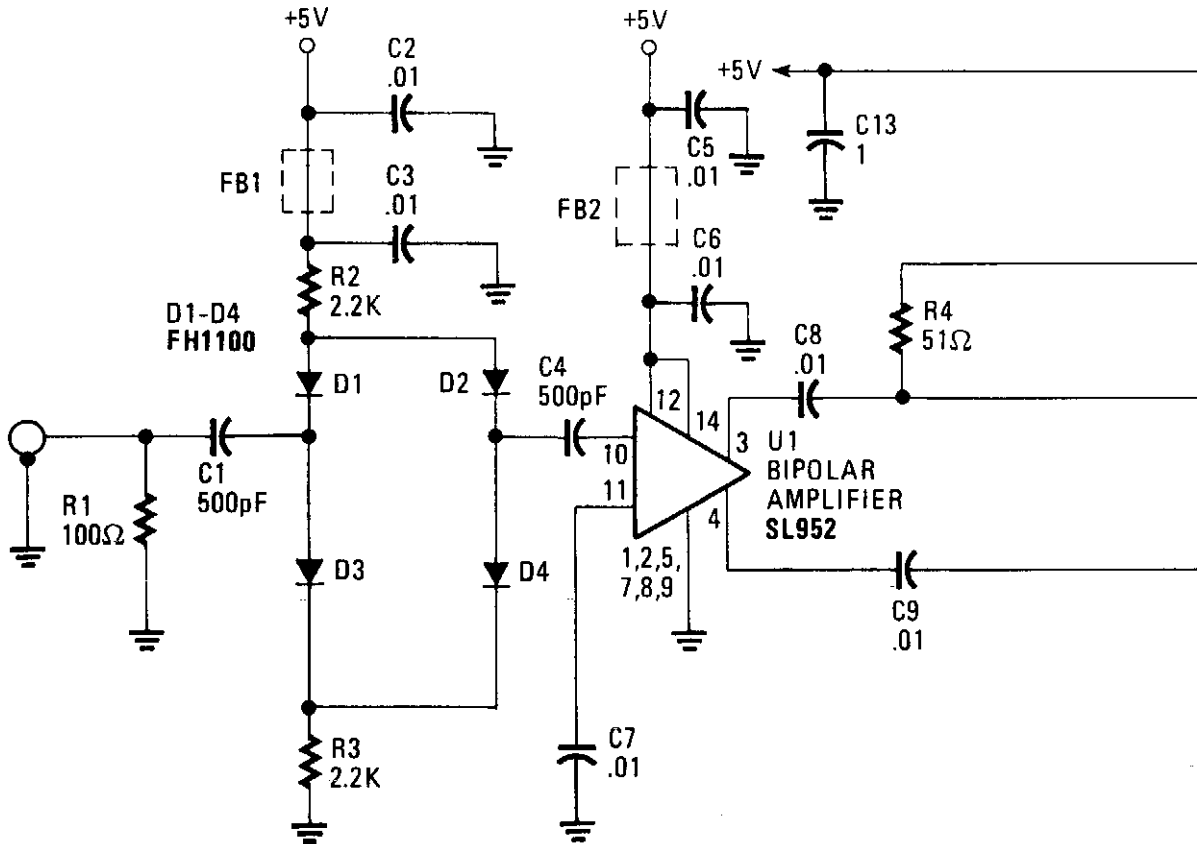
Fig. 75-4

### Circuit Notes

A clamp-on "current probe" such as the Tektronix P6021 is a useful means of displaying current waveforms on an oscilloscope. Unfortunately, the low-frequency response is somewhat limited, as shown in the Table.

The more sensitive range on the P6021 is 2 mA/mV, but it has a roll-off of 6 dB per octave below 450 Hz. The compensator counteracts the low-frequency attenuation, and this is achieved by means of C3 and R4 + P1 in the feedback around op amp N1. The latter is a low-noise type, such as the LM725 shown, and even so it is necessary at some point to limit the increasing gain with decreasing frequency; otherwise amplifier noise and drift will overcome the signal. The values shown for C3R3 give a lower limit below 1 Hz. A test square wave of  $\pm 10$  mA is fed to the current probe so that P1 can be adjusted for minimum droop or overshoot in the output waveform. At high frequencies, the response begins to fall off at 100 kHz.

## 650 MHz AMPLIFYING PRESCALER PROBE

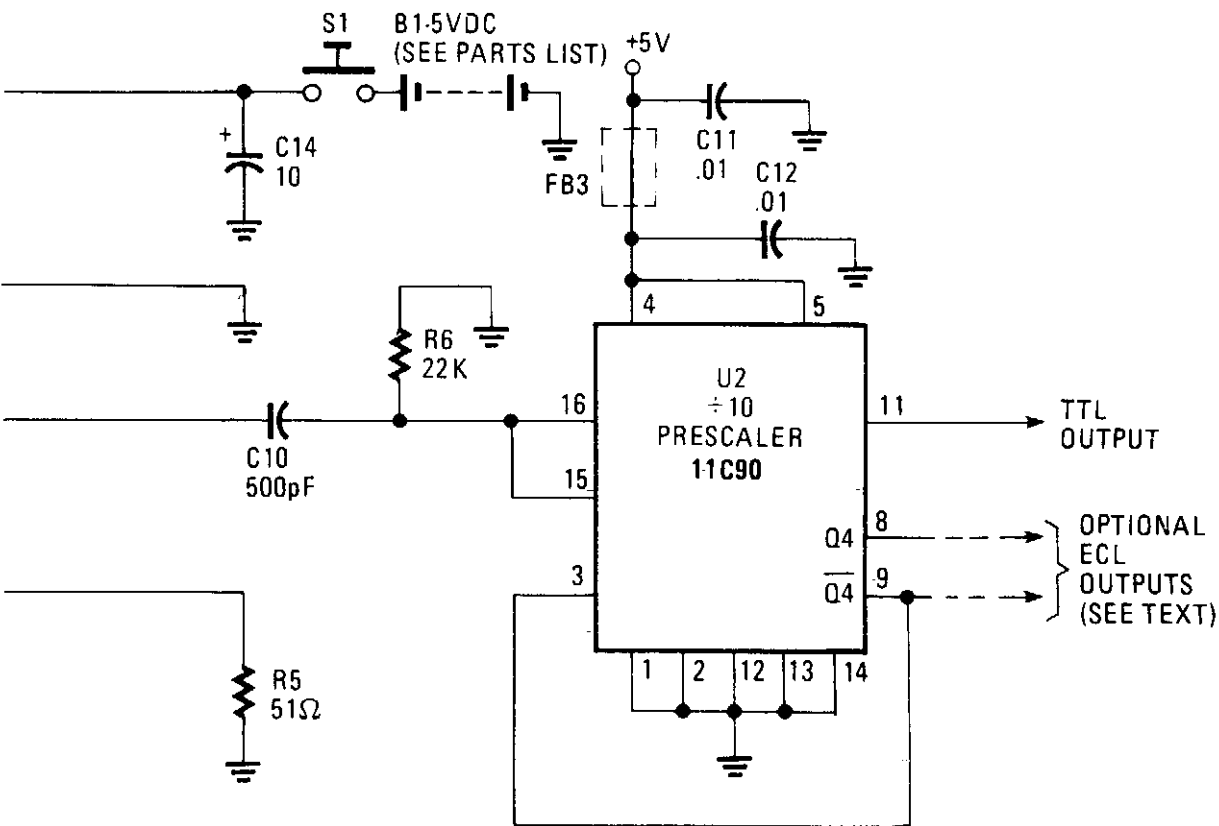


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Fig. 75-5

### Circuit Notes

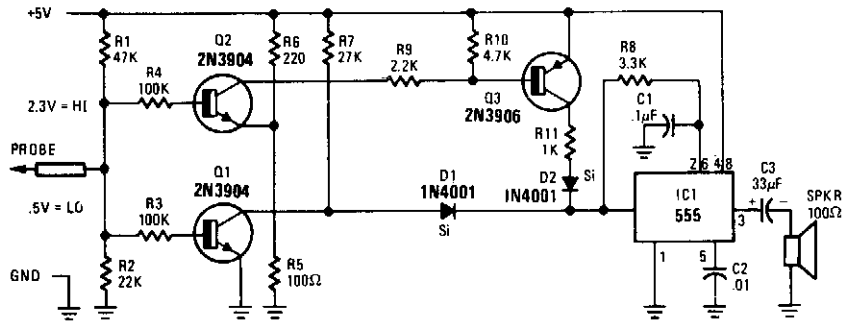
The 650 MHz Prescaler Probe's input is terminated by resistor R1 and is fed through C1 to the diode limiter composed of D1 through D4. Those diodes are forward-biased by the +5 volt supply for small-input signals and, in turn, feed the signal to U1. However, for larger input signals, diodes D1 through D4 will start to turn off, passing less of the signal, and, thus, attenuating it. But even in a full-off state, the FH1100-type diodes will always pass a small part of the input to U1 because of capacitive leakage within the diodes. Integrated circuit U1, a Plessey SL952 bipolar amplifier, capable of 1 GHz operation, provides 20 to 30 dB of gain. The input signal is supplied to pin 10, U1 with



the other input (pin 11) is bypassed to ground. The output signal is taken at pin 3 and pin 4, with pin 3 loaded by R4 and pin 4 by R5.

Integrated circuit 11C90, U2, is a high-speed prescaler capable of 650 MHz operation configured for a divide-by-10 format. A reference voltage internally generated appears at pin 15 and is tied to pin 16, the clock input. This centers the capacitive-coupled input voltage from U1 around the switching threshold-voltage level. An ECL-to-TTL converter in U1 provides level conversion to drive TTL input counters by tying pin 13 low. Therefore, no external ECL to TTL converter is required at the pin 11 output. On the other hand, ECL outputs are available at U2, pin 8 (Q4) and at pin 9 (Q4), if desired. In that circuit configuration, pin 13 is left open, and U2 will use less power.

## TONE PROBE FOR TESTING DIGITAL ICs



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Fig. 75-6

### Circuit Notes

The tone probe uses sound to tell the status of the signal being probed. The probe's input circuit senses the condition of the signal and produces either a low-pitched tone for low-level signals (less than 0.8 V) or a high-pitched tone for high-level signals (greater than 2 V).

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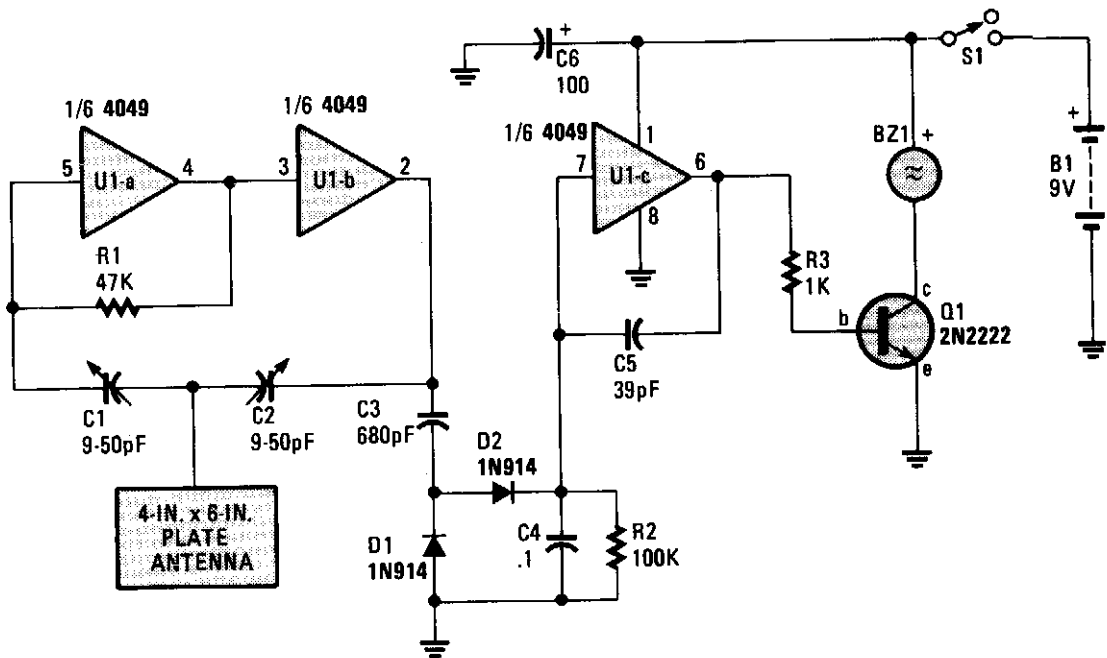
## Proximity Sensors

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Proximity Alarm  
Field Disturbance Sensor/Alarm

## PROXIMITY ALARM



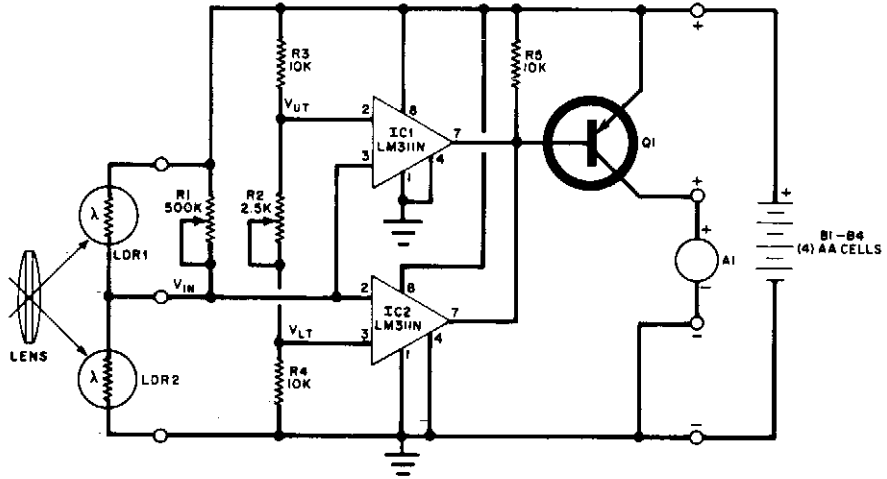
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Fig. 76-1

### Circuit Notes

Inverters U1a and U1b are connected in a simple RC oscillator circuit. The frequency is determined by the values of R1, C1, C2, and the internal characteristics of the integrated circuit. As long as the circuit is oscillating, a positive dc voltage is developed at the output of the voltage-coupler circuit: C3, D1, D2 and C4. The dc voltage is applied to the input of U1c—the third inverter amplifier—keeping its output in a low state, which keeps Q1 turned off so that no sound is produced by BZ1. With C1 and C2 adjusted to the most sensitive point, the pickup plate will detect a hand 3 to 5-inches away and sound an alert. Set C1 and C2 to approximately one-half of their maximum value and apply power to the circuit. The circuit should oscillate and no sound should be heard. Using a non-metallic screwdriver, carefully adjust C1 and C2, one at a time, to a lower value until the circuit just ceases oscillation: Buzzer BZ1 should sound off. Back off either C1 or C2 just a smidgen until the oscillator starts up again—that is the most sensitive setting of the circuit.

## FIELD DISTURBANCE SENSOR/ALARM



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Fig. 76-2

### Circuit Notes

The change in ambient light triggers the alarm by changing resistance of LDR1 and LDR2.

Q1 = Radio Shack 276-2024

A1 = Mallory SC628P Sonalert

LDR1, LDR2 = Cadmium sulfide photocell, Radio Shack 276-116

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## Pulse Generators

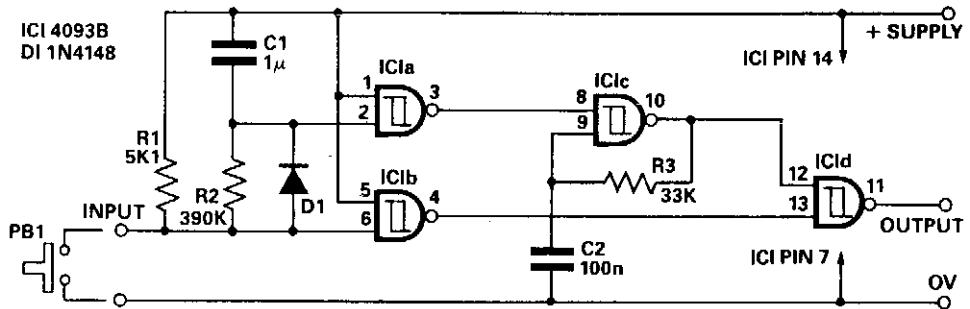
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Delayed Pulse Generator  
Pulse Generator (Astable Multivibrator)  
Non-Integer Programmable Pulse Divider



## DELAYED PULSE GENERATOR



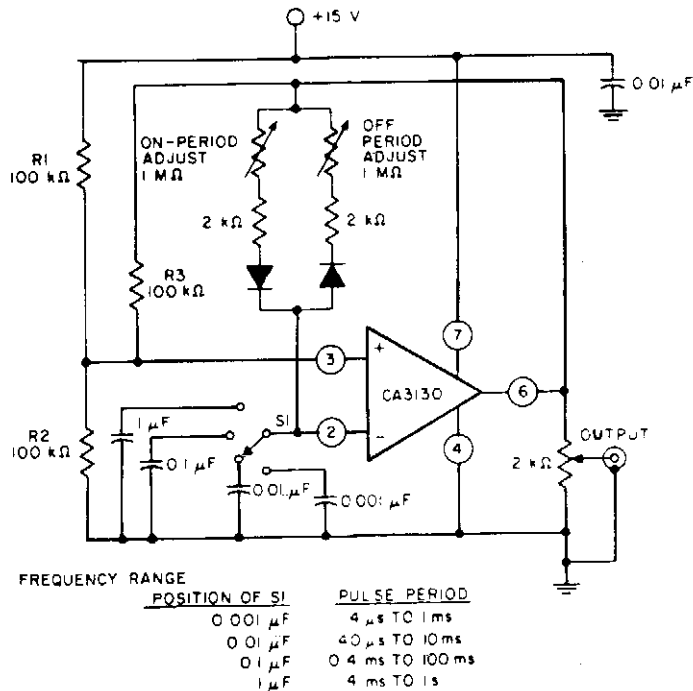
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Fig. 77-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit offers independent control of initial delay and pulse rate. IC1c is connected as a pulse generator whose operation is inhibited by the normally low O/P of the IC1a. When the circuit input goes low i.e., by pressing PB1, IC1b O/P goes high and the circuit O/P goes low thus replicating the input. When the input is kept low capacitor C1 charges via R2 to a point where IC1a O/P goes low. This allows the pulse generator IC1c to start and "rapid fire" pulses appear at the circuit O/P. When the circuit input returns to the high state C1 is rapidly discharged via D1 and R1. The value of R2 and C1 control the initial delay while R3 and C2 control the pulse rate. The values given will give a delay of around 0.5 seconds and a pulse rate of 200/300 Hz depending on supply voltage. PB1 may be replaced by an open collector TTL gate or a common emitter transistor stage if required.

## PULSE GENERATOR (ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR)



RCA

Fig. 77-2

### Circuit Notes

Resistors R1 and R2 bias the CA3130 to the mid-point of the supply-voltage, and R3 is the feedback resistor. The pulse repetition rate is selected by positioning S1 to the desired position and the rate remains essentially constant when the resistors which determine on-period and off-period are adjusted.

## NON-INTEGGER PROGRAMMABLE PULSE DIVIDER

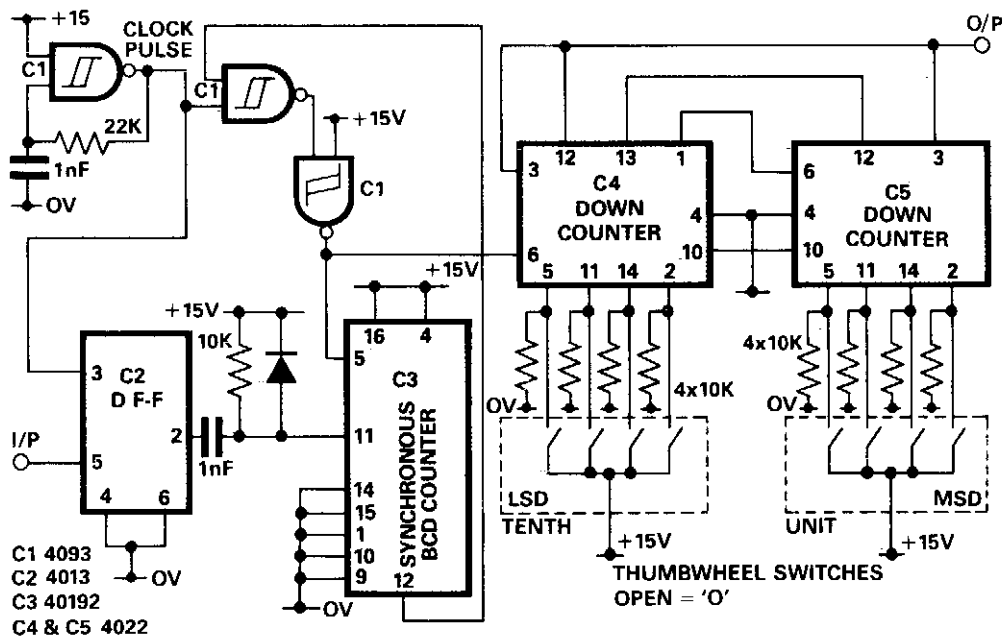


Fig. 77-3

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### Circuit Notes

In applications where the period of the input pulses is uneven and the divider is required to cover a wide range of frequencies, the non-integer programmable pulse divider shown can be used. The purpose of the D-type flip-flop (IC2) is to synchronize the input signal with the clock pulse. When the clock pulse changes from low to high and the input is high, IC2 output goes high. Subsequently, IC3 resets to zero and starts counting up. The number of pulses at the output of IC3 is ten times the input pulse. IC4 and IC5 are cascaded to form a two decade programmable down counter.

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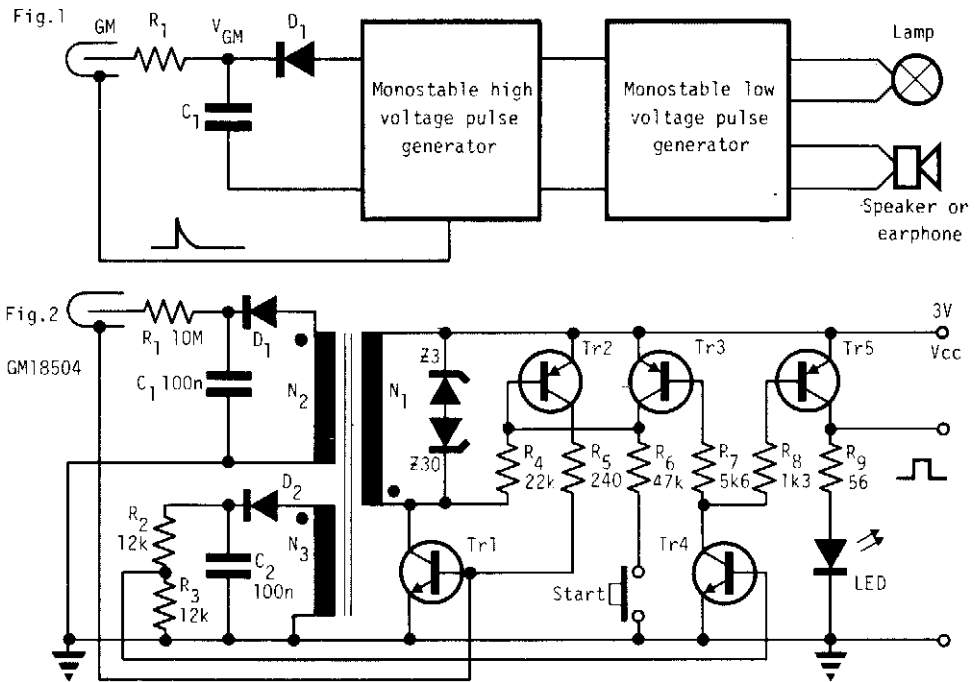
## Radiation Detectors

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Micropower Radioactive Radiation Detector  
Pocket-Sized Geiger Counter  
Photomultiplier Output-Gating Circuit

## MICROPOWER RADIOACTIVE RADIATION DETECTOR



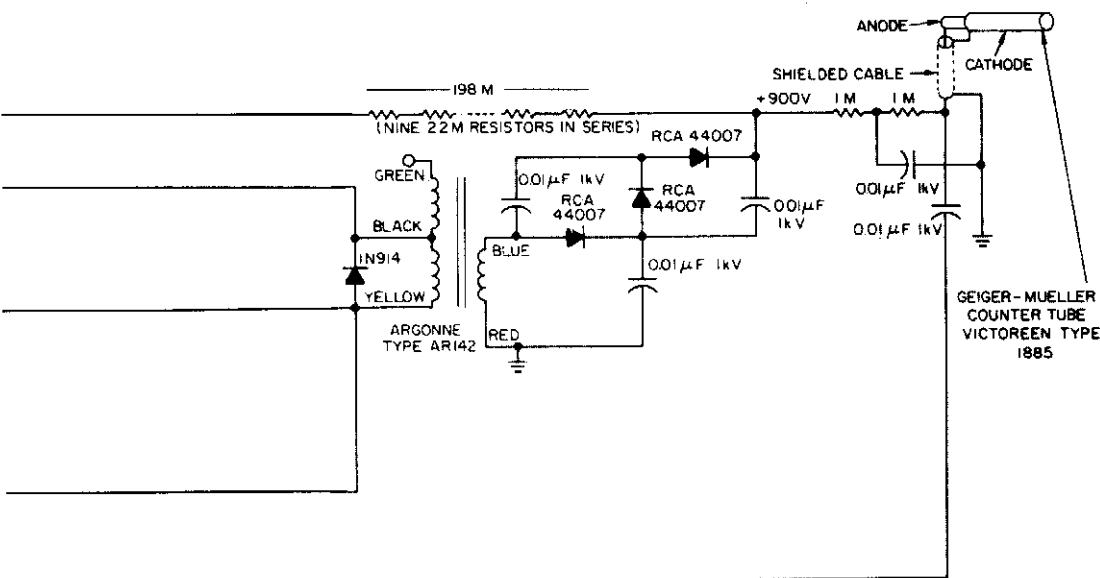
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Fig. 78-1

### Circuit Notes

In the absence of radiation, no current is drawn. At normal background radiation levels the power consumption is extremely low. The instrument may be left on for several months without changing batteries. In this way the detector is always ready to indicate an increase in radiation. An LED is used as an indicator lamp. With background radiation it draws less than  $50 \mu\text{A}$ . A ferrite pot core is used for the transformer with  $N_1 = 30$ ,  $N_2 = 550$ , and  $N_3 = 7$ . Using two 1.5V batteries with 0.5 Ah total capacity, the detector can work at background radiation levels for  $0.5 \text{ Ah} \div 50 \mu\text{A} = 10,000$  hours, which is more than a year.





### Circuit Notes

A single 6.75 V mercury battery powers the counter, which features a 1 mA count-rate meter as well as an aural output. A regulated 900 V supply provides stable operation of the counter tube. A multivibrator, built around a differential power amplifier IC2, drives the step-up transformer. Comparator IC1 varies the multivibrator duty cycle to provide a constant 900 V. The entire regulated supply draws less than 2 mA. A one-shot multivibrator, built with IC3, provides output pulses that have constant width and amplitude. Thus the average current through the meter is directly proportional to the pulse-rate output from the counter tube. And the constant-width pulses also drive the speaker. Full-scale meter deflection (1 mA) represents 5000 counts/min, or 83.3 pulses/s. A convenient calibration checkpoint can be provided on the meter scale for 3600 ppm (60 pulses/s.)

## PHOTOMULTIPLIER OUTPUT-GATING CIRCUIT

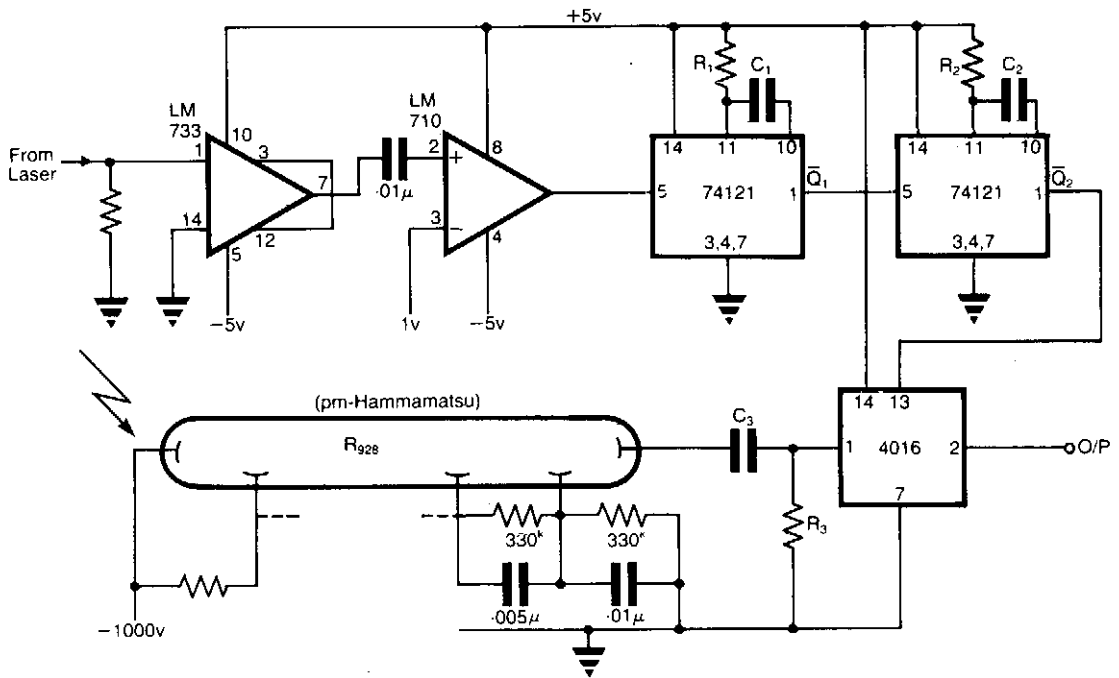


Fig. 78-3

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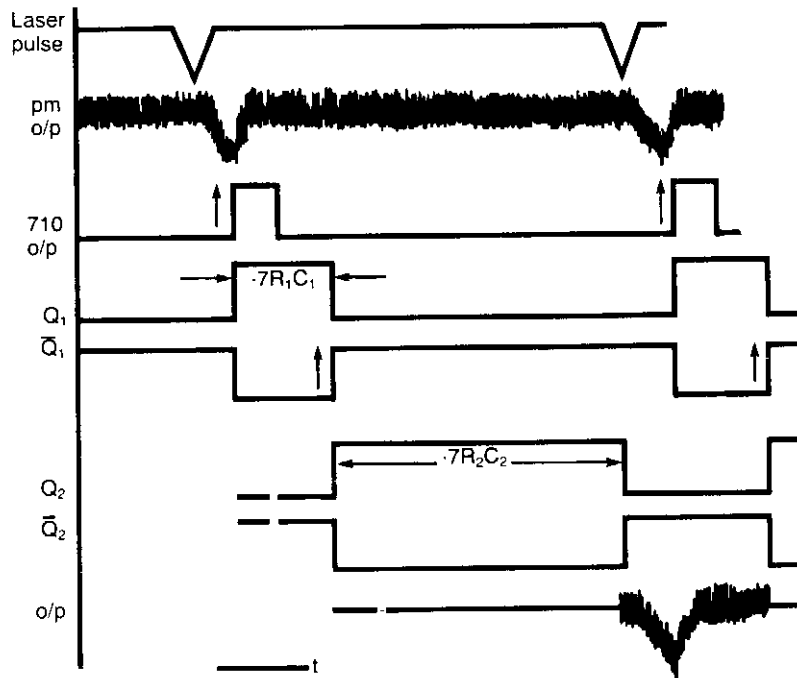


Fig 2

### Circuit Notes

The application involves observing the light pulse emerging from a thick specimen after transillumination by a laser pulse. Pulses derived from the laser source are amplified using a Video Amplifier LM733. The reference level is set to 1 V in the comparator LM 710, to provide the necessary trigger pulses for the monostable multivibrator 74121. The laser pulses have a repetition frequency of 500 Hz and suitable values are as below:

$$R1 = 33 \text{ k ohm, } C1 = 22 \text{ pF}$$

$$R2 = 33 \text{ k ohm, } C2 = 68 \text{ nF}$$

The pulse width for each monostable is approximately given by  $t_w = 0.7 RC$ . R3 and C3 is a high pass filter. The method therefore permits the use of low cost components having moderate response times for extracting the pulse of interest.

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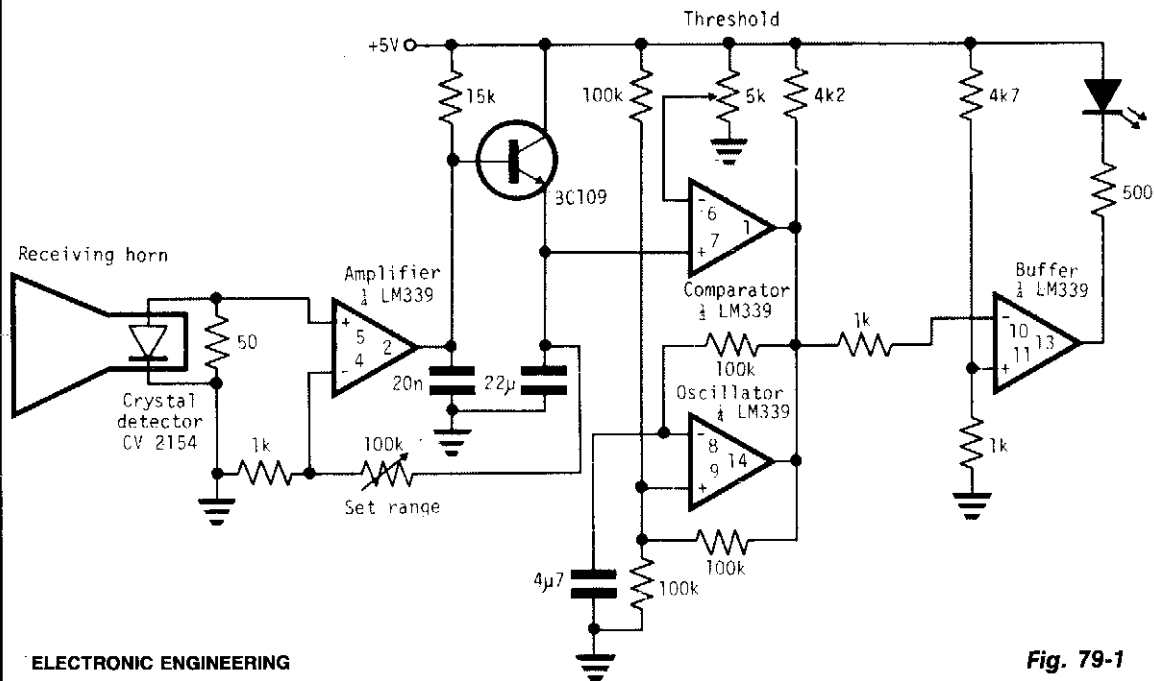
## Radar Detectors

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One-Chip Radar Detection Circuit  
Radar Signal Detector

## ONE-CHIP RADAR DETECTION CIRCUIT



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Fig. 79-1

### Circuit Notes

A simple X-band radar detector is capable of indicating changes in rf radiation strength at levels down to  $2 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ . Radiation falling on the detector diode, produces a voltage at the input of an amplifier whose gain may be adjusted to vary the range at which the warning is given. The amplifier output drives a voltage comparator with a variable threshold set to a level that avoids false alarms. The comparator output is connected in the wired-OR configuration with the open collector output of an oscillator running at a frequency of 2 Hz. In the absence of a signal, the comparator output level is low, inhibiting the oscillator output stage and holding the buffer so the lamp is off. When a signal appears, the comparator output goes high, removing the lock from the oscillator which free-runs, switching the lamp on and off at 2 Hz.

## RADAR SIGNAL DETECTOR

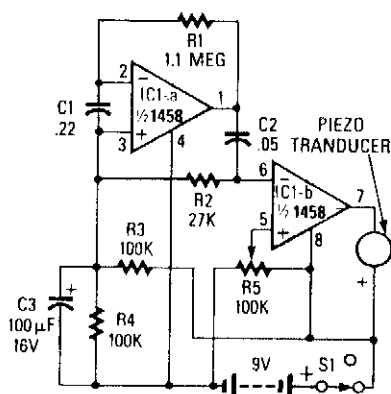


FIG. 1—THE ECONOMY RADAR DETECTOR needs only one IC and a few discrete components.

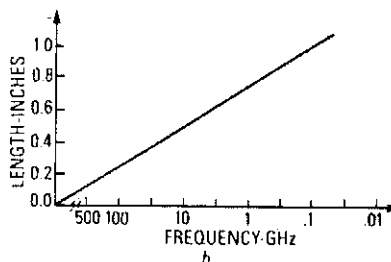
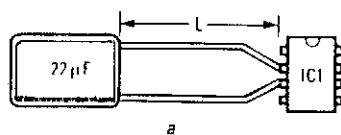


FIG. 3—VARY THE LEAD LENGTHS OF C1 to tune the input circuit.

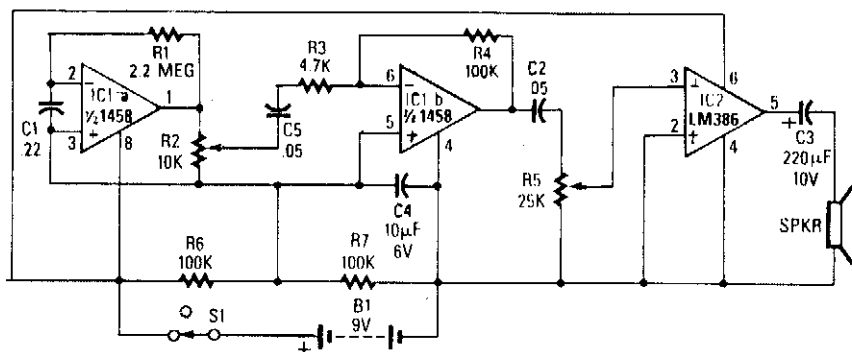


FIG. 2—DELUXE RADAR DETECTOR adds a buffer amplifier and an audio power amp to drive a speaker.

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Fig. 79-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit can be tuned to respond to signals between 50 MHz and 500 GHz. The economy model is shown in Fig. 1, and the deluxe model is shown in Fig. 2. The first op amp in each circuit functions as a current-to-voltage converter. In the economy model IC1b buffers the output to drive the piezo buzzer. The deluxe model functions in a similar manner except that IC1b is configured as a  $\times 20$  buffer amplifier to drive the LM386. In both circuits C1 functions as a "transmission line" that intercepts the incident radar signal. The response may be optimized by trimming C1's lead length for the desired frequency. Typically the capacitor's leads should be 0.5-0.6 inches long.

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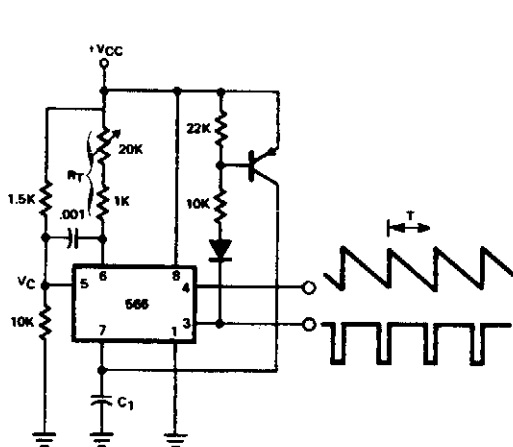
## Ramp Generators

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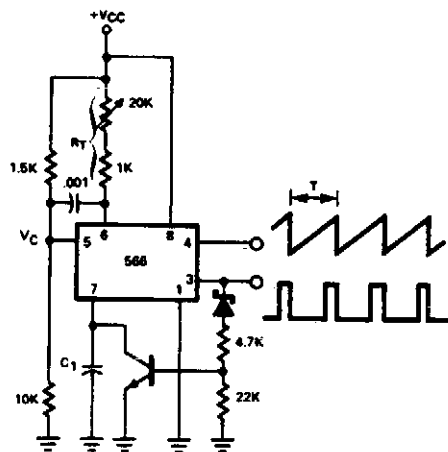
Ramp Generator  
Voltage Controlled Ramp Generator

## RAMP GENERATOR



a. Negative Ramp

TC078608



b. Positive Ramp

YC078708

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Fig. 80-1

### Circuit Notes

The 566 can be wired as a positive or negative ramp generator. In the positive ramp generator, the external transistor driven by the Pin 3 output rapidly discharges C1 at the end of the charging period so that charging can resume instantaneously. The pnp transistor of the negative ramp generator likewise rapidly charges the timing capacitor C1 at the end of the discharge period. Because the circuits are reset so quickly, the temperature stability of the ramp generator is excellent. The period

$$T \text{ is } \frac{1}{2f_o}$$

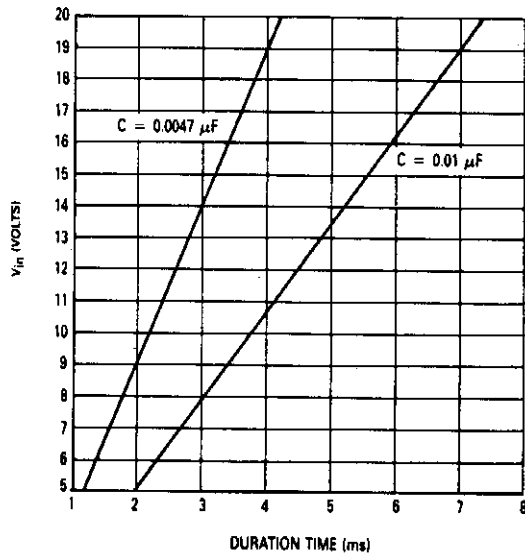
where  $f_o$  is the 566 free-running frequency in normal operation. Therefore,

$$T = \frac{1}{2f_o} = \frac{R_T C_1 V_{CC}}{5(V_{CC} - V_C)}$$

(1)

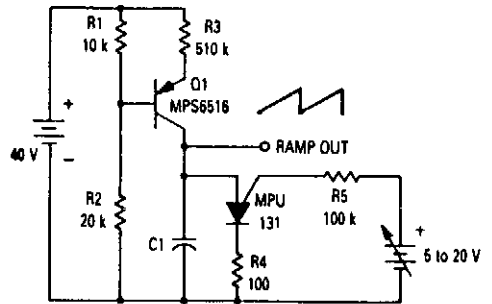
where  $V_C$  is the bias voltage at Pin 5 and  $R_T$  is the total resistance between Pin 6 and  $V_{CC}$ . Note that a short pulse is available at Pin 3. (Placing collector resistance in series with the external transistor collector will lengthen the pulse.)

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLED RAMP GENERATOR



Voltage versus Ramp Duration Time of VCRG

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Voltage Controlled Ramp Generator (VCRG)

Fig. 80-2

### Circuit Notes

The current source formed by Q1 in conjunction with capacitor C1 set the duration time of the ramp. As the positive dc voltage at the gate is changed, the peak point firing voltage of the PUT is changed, which changes the duration time, i.e., increasing the supply voltage increases the peak point firing voltage causing the duration time to increase.

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## Receivers

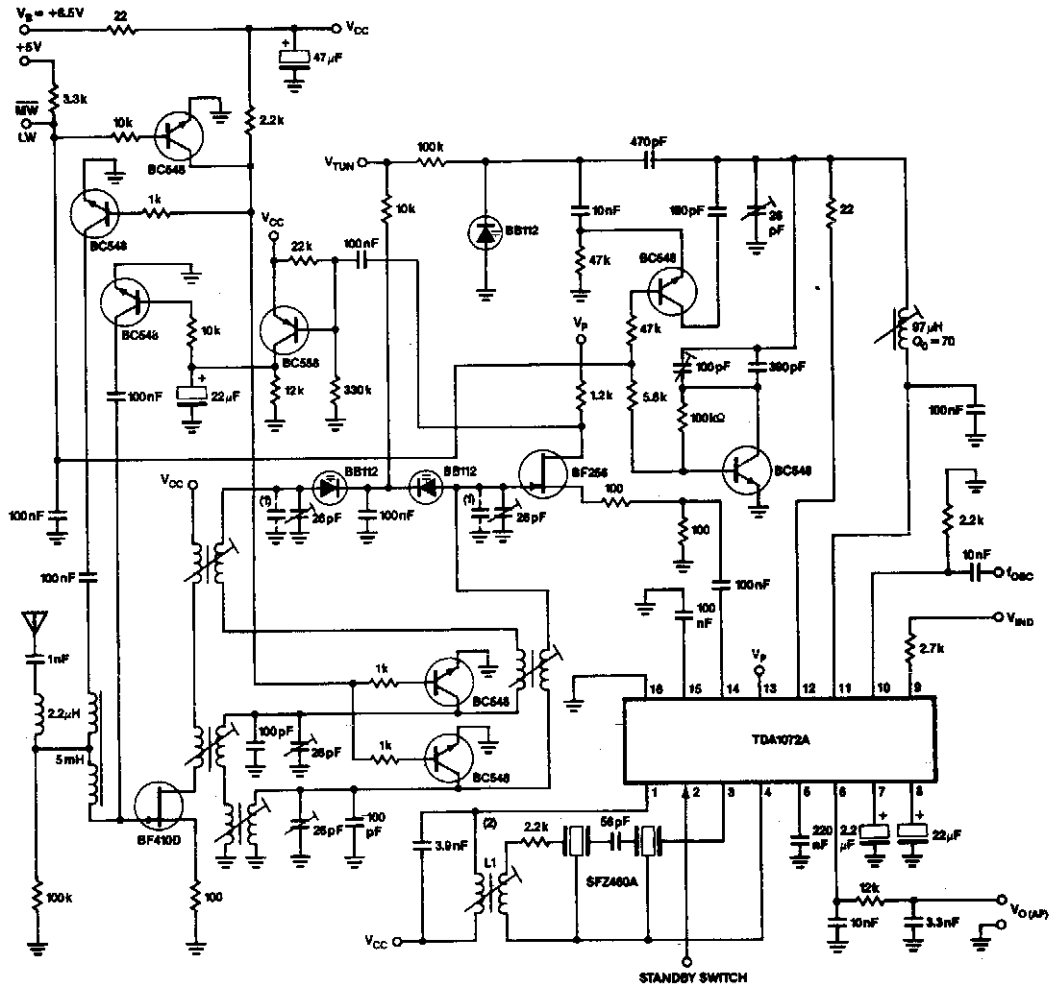
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Car Radio with Capacitive Diode Tuning and  
Electronic MW/LW Switching  
Receiver Monitor  
PLL/BC Receiver



## CAR RADIO WITH CAPACITIVE DIODE TUNING AND ELECTRONIC MW/LW SWITCHING



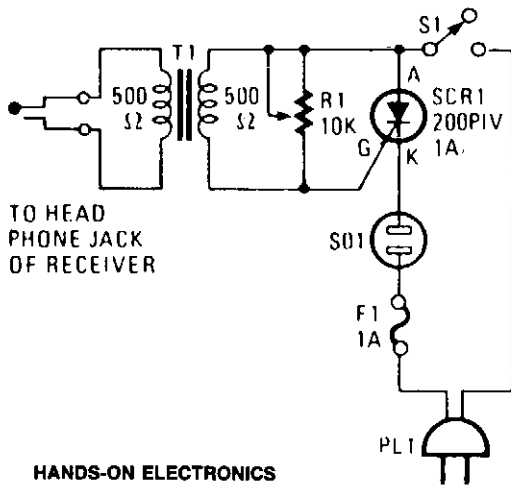
**NOTES:**

1. Values of capacitors depend on the selected group of capacitive diodes BB112.
2. For IF filter and coil data refer to Block Diagram.
3. The circuit includes pre-stage AGC optimized for good large-signal handling.

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**Fig. 81-1**

## RECEIVER MONITOR



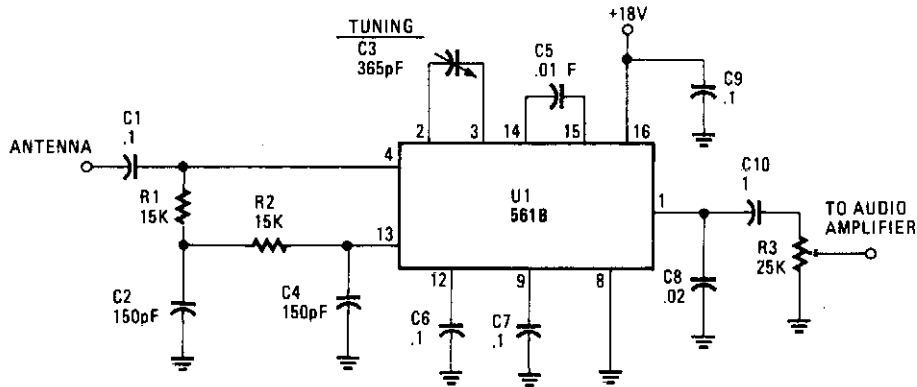
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Fig. 81-2

### Circuit Notes

The alarm plugs into the earphone jack on a receiver. Then when a signal (normally fed to the headphones) is detected and applied to the gate of SCR1, it conducts, sounding whatever alarm is connected to SO1. The signaling device can be an audible alarm or a lamp. Variable resistor R1 functions as a sensitivity control so that background noises won't trigger the alarm.

## PLL/BC RECEIVER



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Fig. 81-3

### Circuit Notes

This simple AM circuit uses a 561B. There's no inductance/capacitance tuning circuit. The 365 pF capacitor connected between pins 2 and 3 does all the tuning. The circuit needs a good outside antenna and a solid ground. And if you want to further improve operation, stick a broadband amplifier in front of the receiver. Just make sure the input voltage does not climb over 0.5 volt rms.

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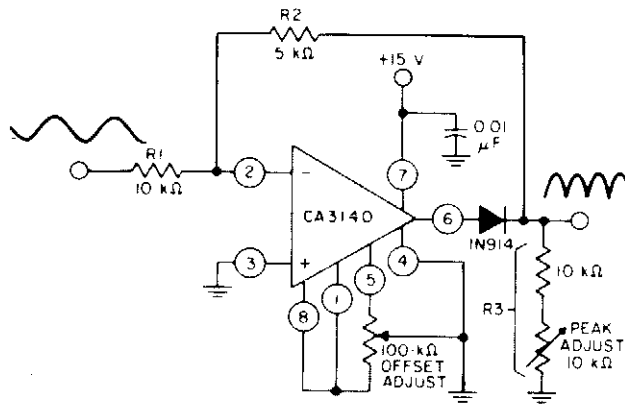
## Rectifier Circuits

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Absolute-Value, "Ideal" Full-Wave Rectifier  
Half-Wave Rectifier

## ABSOLUTE-VALUE, "IDEAL" FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER



$$\text{GAIN} = \frac{R2}{R1} = X = \frac{R3}{R1 + R2 + R3}$$

$$R3 = R1 \left( \frac{X + X^2}{1 - X} \right)$$

$$\text{FOR } X = 0.5 \quad \frac{5 \text{ k}\Omega}{10 \text{ k}\Omega} = \frac{R3}{R1}$$

$$R3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \left( \frac{0.75}{0.5} \right) = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$$

20 V p-p INPUT BW(-3dB) = 290 kHz, DC OUTPUT (AVG) = 3.2 V

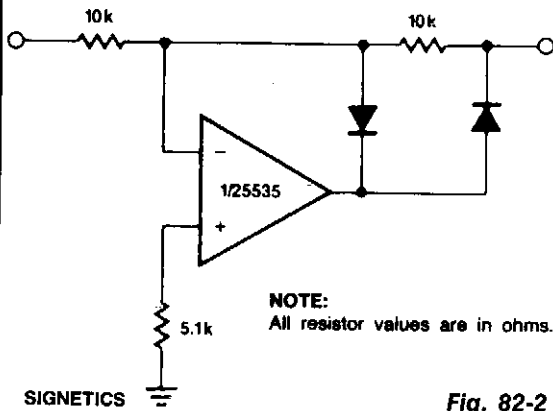
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Fig. 82-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3140 BiMOS op amp in an inverting gain configuration. When equality of two equations shown in satisfied, full-wave output of circuit is symmetrical.

## HALF-WAVE RECTIFIER



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Fig. 82-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit provides for accurate half-wave rectification of the incoming signal. For positive signals, the gain is 0; for negative signals, the gain is -1. By reversing both diodes, the polarity can be inverted. This circuit provides an accurate output, but the output impedance differs for the two input polarities and buffering may be needed. The output must slew through two diode drops when the input polarity reverses. The NE5535 device will work up to 10 kHz with less than 5% distortion.

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## Relay Circuits

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Relay Driver Provides Delay and Controls Closure  
Time  
TRIAC Relay-Contact Protection  
TR Circuit

## RELAY DRIVER PROVIDES DELAY AND CONTROLS CLOSURE TIME

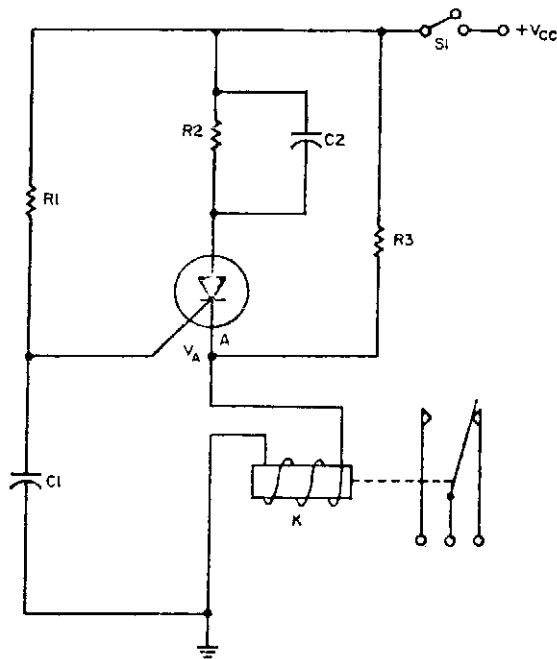


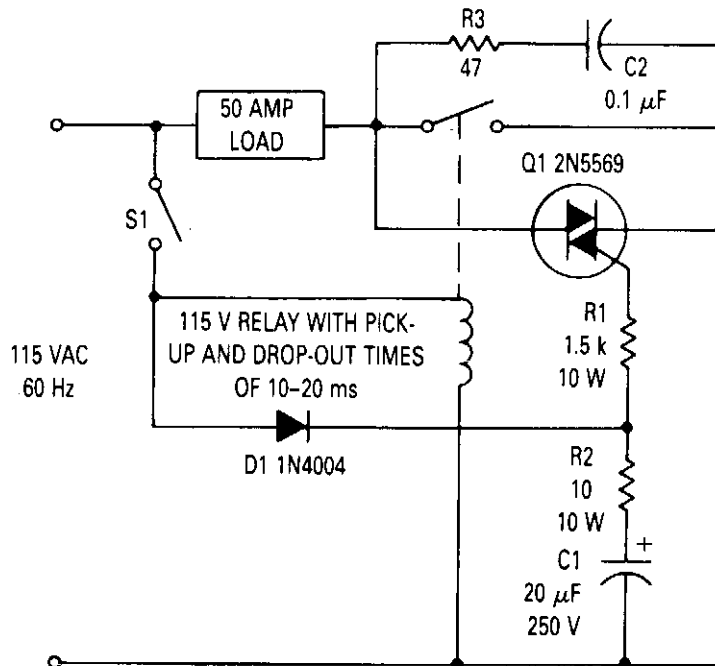
Fig. 83-1

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### Circuit Notes

The relay operates a certain time,  $t_d$ , after power is applied to it, and then it operates for a length of time,  $t_c$ . The SCR fires when the voltage on C1 reaches  $V_A$ . This operates the relay, which stays activated until the current charging C2 drops below the dropout current. To keep the relay in its activated position indefinitely ( $t_c = \infty$ ), eliminate C2 and choose R2 just large enough to keep the relay coil current within its related limits. Typical component values for  $t_d = 30$  seconds and  $t_c = 2$  seconds are: R1 = 1.5 megohms, R2 = 10 k ohms, R3 = 3 k ohms, C1 = 47  $\mu$ F, and C2 = 100  $\mu$ F. The SCR is a 2N1877 and the relay is a Potter Brumfield PW-5374. A value of 12 Vdc is assumed for  $V_{CC}$ .

## TRIAC RELAY-CONTACT PROTECTION



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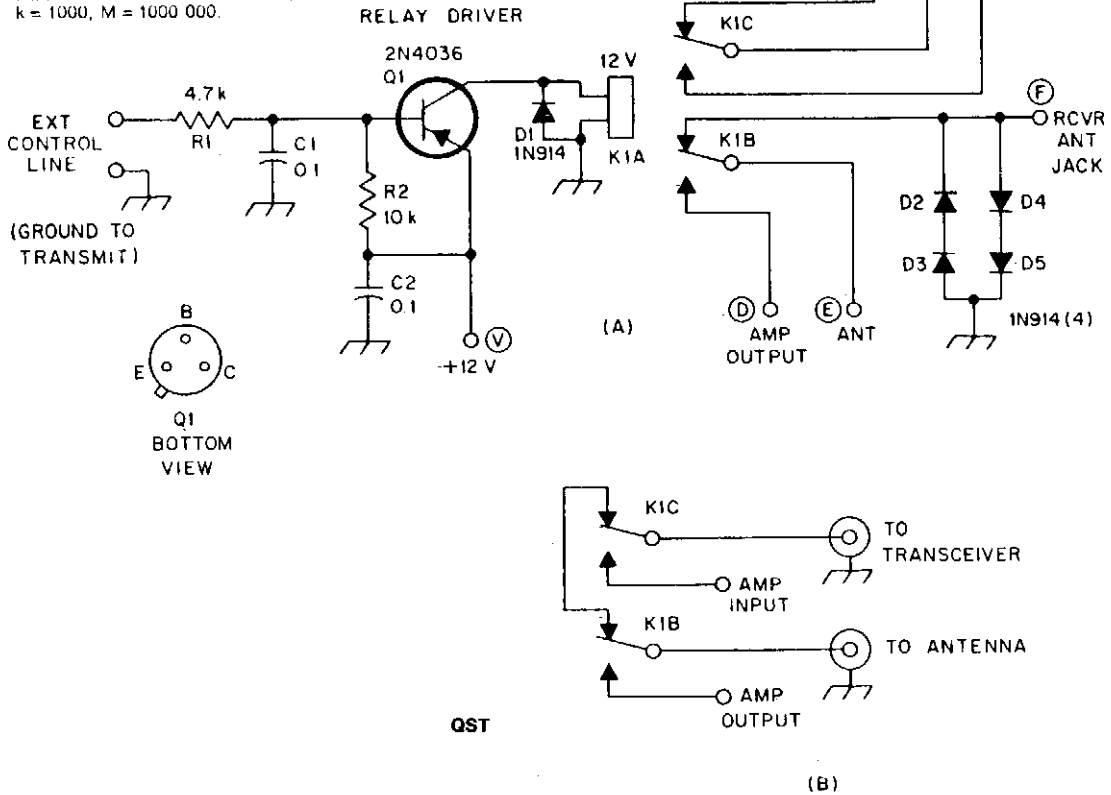
Fig. 83-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be used to prevent relay contact arcing for loads up to 50 amperes. There is some delay between the time a relay coil is energized and the time the contacts close. There is also a delay between the time the coil is de-energized and the time the contacts open. For the relay used in this circuit both times are about 15 ms. The TRIAC across the relay contacts will turn on as soon as sufficient gate current is present to fire it. This occurs after switch S1 is closed but before the relay contacts close. When the contacts close, the load current passes through them, rather than through the TRIAC, even though the TRIAC is receiving gate current. If S1 should be closed during the negative half cycle of the ac line, the TRIAC will not turn on immediately but will wait until the voltage begins to go positive, at which time diode D1 conducts providing gate current through R1. The maximum time that could elapse before the TRIAC turns on is  $8\frac{1}{3}$  ms for the 60 Hz supply. This is adequate to ensure that the TRIAC will be on before the relay contact closes.

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**Fig. 83-3**

### Circuit Notes

C1 and C2 are disc ceramic. R1 and R2 are ¼ or ½ W carbon composition resistors. K1 is a 12 V DPDT DIP relay. Illustration A shows how to connect the relay contacts for use with a separate transmitter-receiver combination. The circuit at B is for amplifier use with a transceiver.



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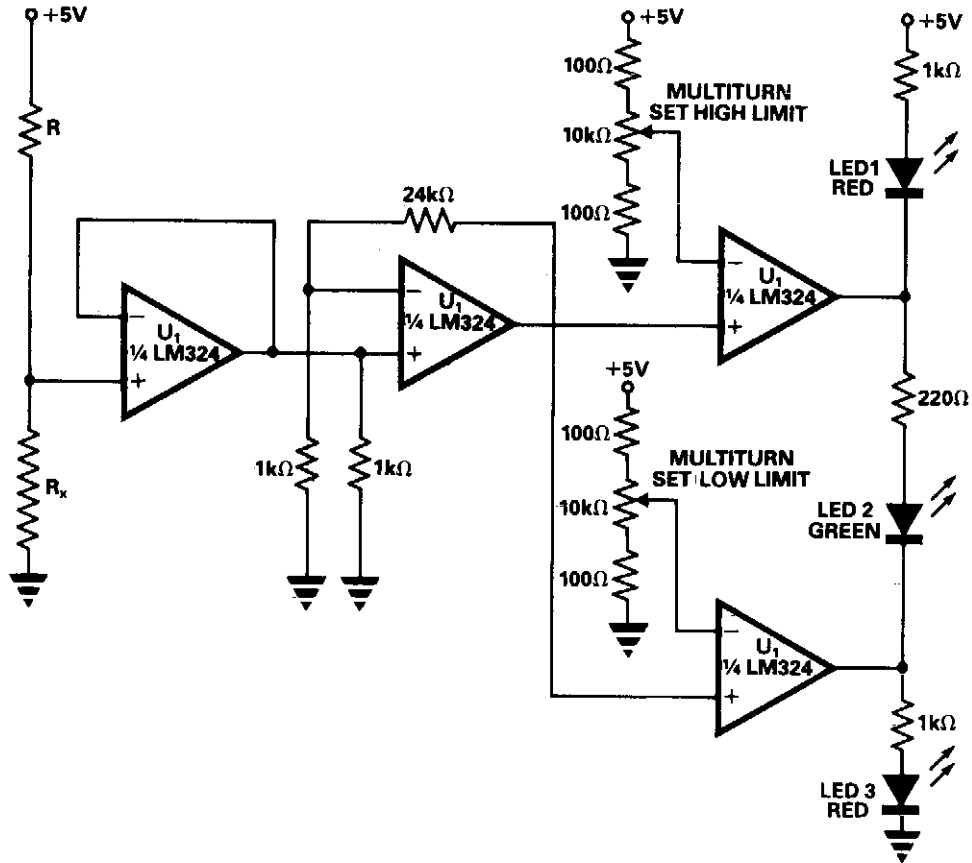
## Resistance/Continuity Meters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Single Chip Checks Resistance  
Simple Continuity Tester for PCB's  
Simple Continuity Tester  
Adjustable, Audible Continuity Tester for Delicate  
Circuits

## SINGLE CHIP CHECKS RESISTANCE



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Fig. 84-1

### Circuit Notes

A simple tester can be used for routine checks for resistance on production lines of relays, coils, or similar components where frequent changes in resistance to be tested are not required. The tester is built around a single quad op amp chip, the LM324.  $R$ , which is chosen to be around 80 times the resistance to be checked, and the 5 V supply form the current source. The first op amp buffers the voltage generated across the resistance under test,  $R_x$ . The second op amp amplifies this voltage. The third and fourth op amps compare the amplified voltage with high and low limits. The high and low limits are set on multiturn presets with high and low limit resistors connected in place of  $R_x$ . LED 1 (red) lights when the resistance is high. LED 2 (green) shows that the resistance is within limits. LED 3 (red) indicates that the resistance is low.

### SIMPLE CONTINUITY TESTER FOR PCBs

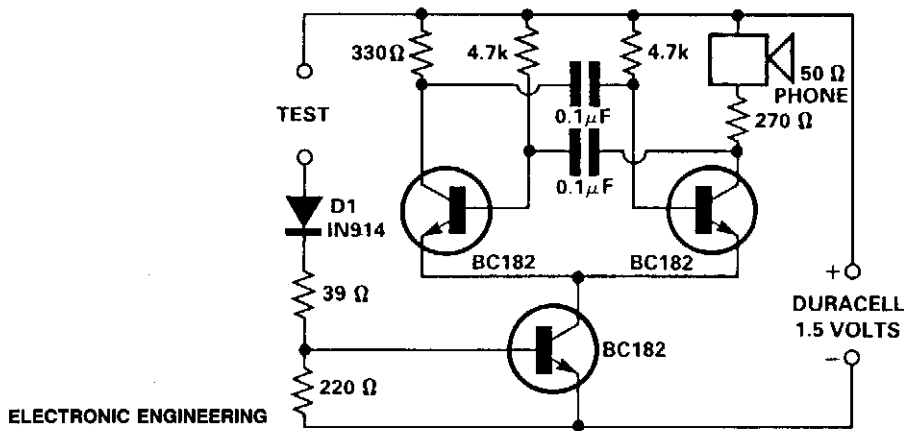


Fig. 84-2

#### Circuit Notes

This tester is for tracing wiring on Printed Circuit Boards. Resistors below 50 ohms act as a short circuit; above 100 ohms as an open circuit. The circuit is a simple multivibrator switched on by transistor T3. The components in the base of T3 are D1, R1, R2, and the test resistance. With a 1.5 volt supply, there is insufficient voltage to turn on a semiconductor connected to the test terminals.

### SIMPLE CONTINUITY TESTER

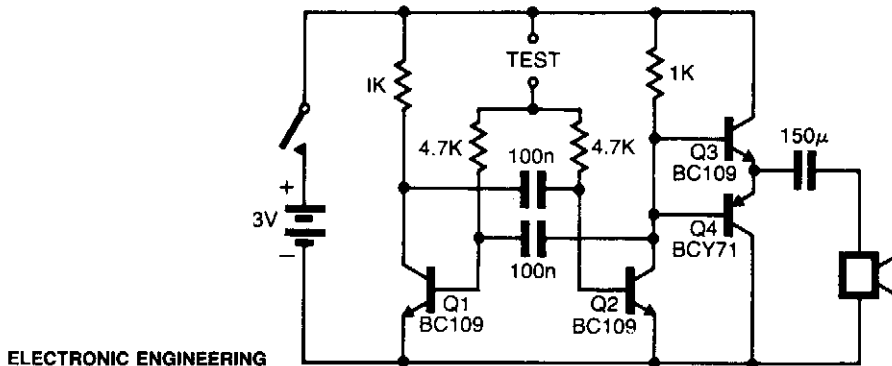


Fig. 84-3

#### Circuit Notes

The pitch of the tone is dependent upon the resistance under test. The tester will respond to resistance of hundreds of kilohms, yet it is possible to distinguish differences of just a few tens of ohms in low-resistance circuits. Q1 and Q2 form a multivibrator, the frequency of which is influenced by the resistance between the test points. The output stage Q3 and Q4 will drive a small loudspeaker or a telephone earpiece.

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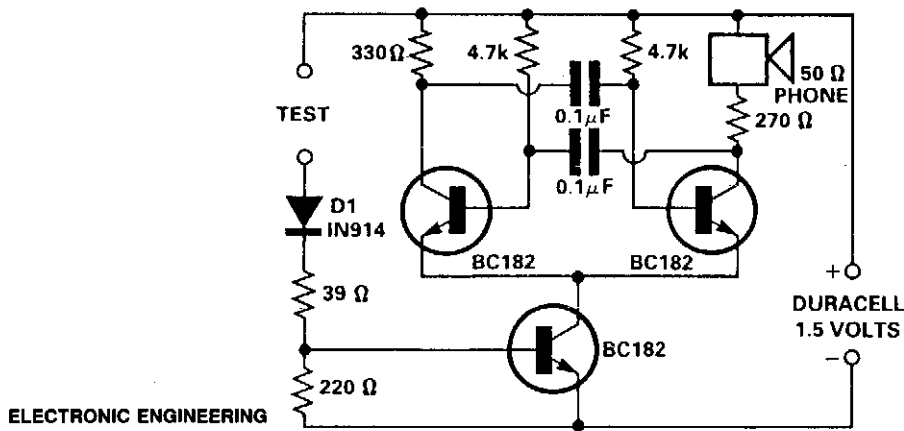


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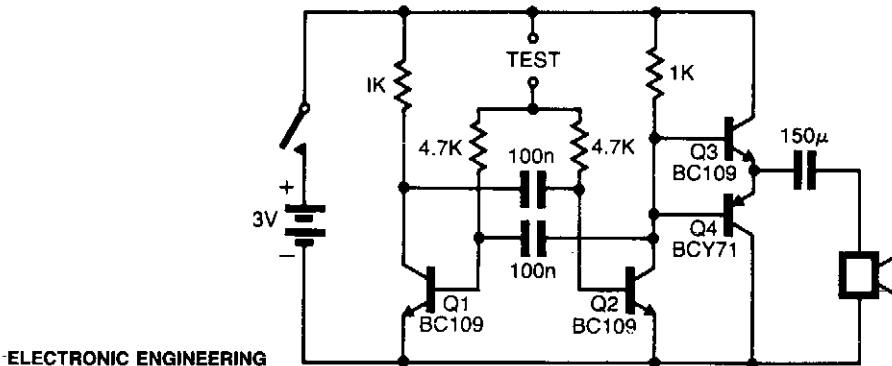
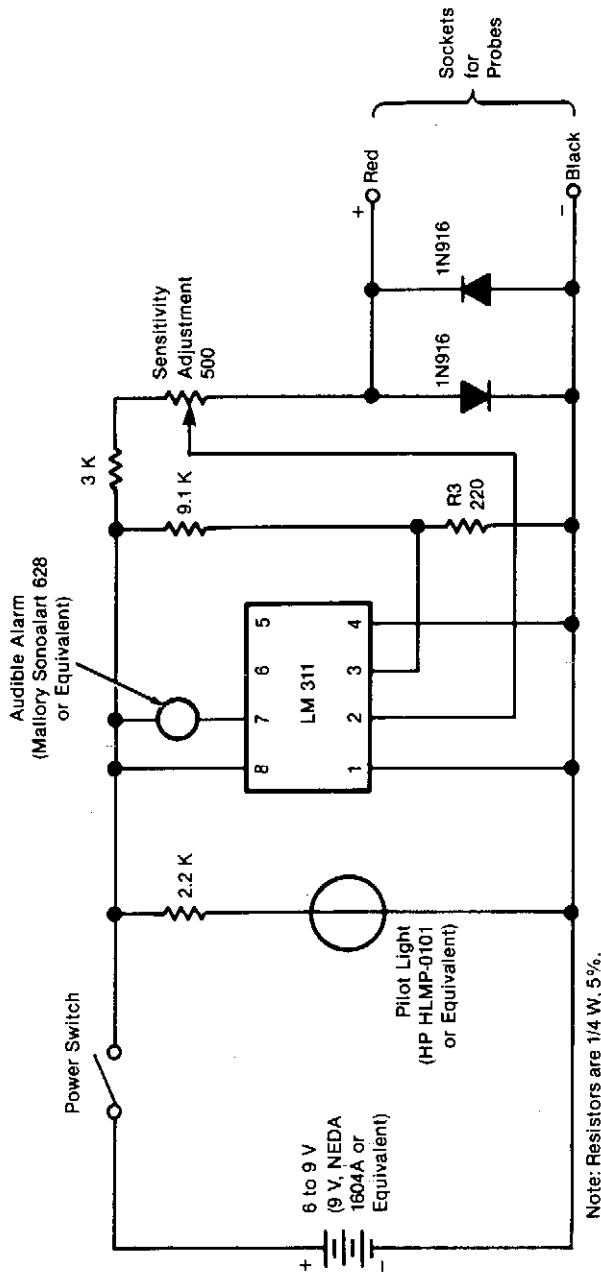


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# ADJUSTABLE, AUDIBLE CONTINUITY TESTER FOR DELICATE CIRCUITS



Note: Resistors are 1/4 W, 5%.

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Fig. 84-4

## Circuit Notes

The tester gives an audible indication, making it unnecessary for the user to look directly at the instrument to observe a meter reading. In addition, the current and voltage of the tester are strictly limited. It can apply no more than 0.6 volts dc and no more than 3 mA through the probes. It can therefore be used safely on circuit boards in which semiconductor components have been installed, and on complementary metal oxide/semiconductor integrated circuits, which are highly susceptible to damage during testing. The tester can be adjusted to indicate continuity below any resistance value up to 35 ohms. For example, if the user sets the tester to 30 ohms, the unit will emit an audible tone whenever the resistance between the probes is 30 ohms or less; if, for example, the resistance is 30.2 ohms, the unit will remain silent.

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## RF Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Low-Distortion 1.6 to 30 MHz SSB Driver

1 Watt, 2.3 GHz Amplifier

5-W RF Power Amplifier

6-Meter Preamp Provides 20 dB Gain and Low  
NF

125 Watt 150 MHz Amplifier

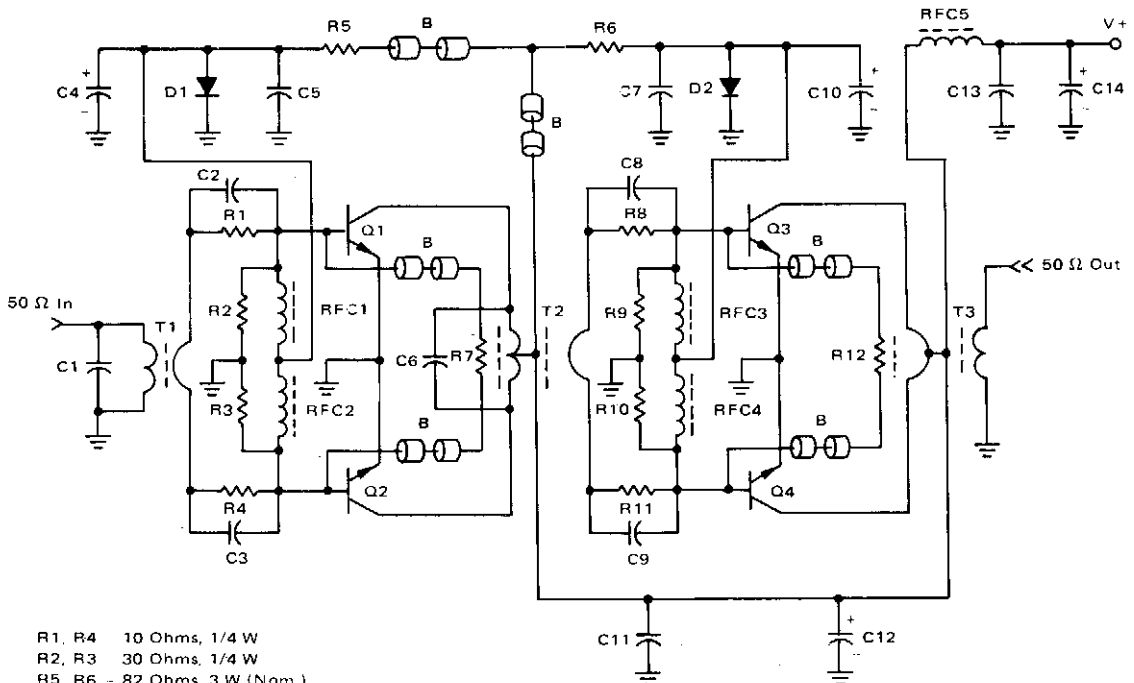
6-Meter Kilowatt Amplifier

Broadcast-Band RF Amplifier

Improved RF Isolation Amplifier

A 10 Watt 225-400 MHz Amplifier

## LOW-DISTORTION 1.6 TO 30 MHz SSB DRIVER



- R1, R4 - 10 Ohms, 1/4 W
- R2, R3 - 30 Ohms, 1/4 W
- R5, R6 - 82 Ohms, 3 W (Nom.)
- R7 - 47 Ohms, 1/4 W
- R8, R11 - 6.8 Ohms, 1/4 W
- R9, R10 - 15 Ohms, 1/4 W
- R12 - 130 Ohms, 1/4 W
- C1 - 39 pF Dipped Mica
- C2, C3 - 680 pF Ceramic Disc
- C4, C10 - 220  $\mu$ F, 4 V, Tantalum
- C5, C7, C11, C13 - 0.1  $\mu$ F Ceramic Disc
- C6 - 56 pF Dipped Mica
- C8, C9 - 1200 pF Ceramic Disc
- C12, C14 - 10  $\mu$ F, 25 V Tantalum

- RFC5 - Ferroxcube VK200 19/4B
- RFC1, 2, 3, 4 - 10  $\mu$ H Molded Choke
- B - Ferrite Beads (Fair-Rite Prod. Corp. #2643000101 or Ferroxcube #56 590 65/3B)
- D1, D2 - 1N4001
- Q1, Q2 - MRF476
- Q3, Q4 - MRF475
- T1, T2 - 4:1 Impedance Transformer
- T3 - 1:4 Impedance Transformer

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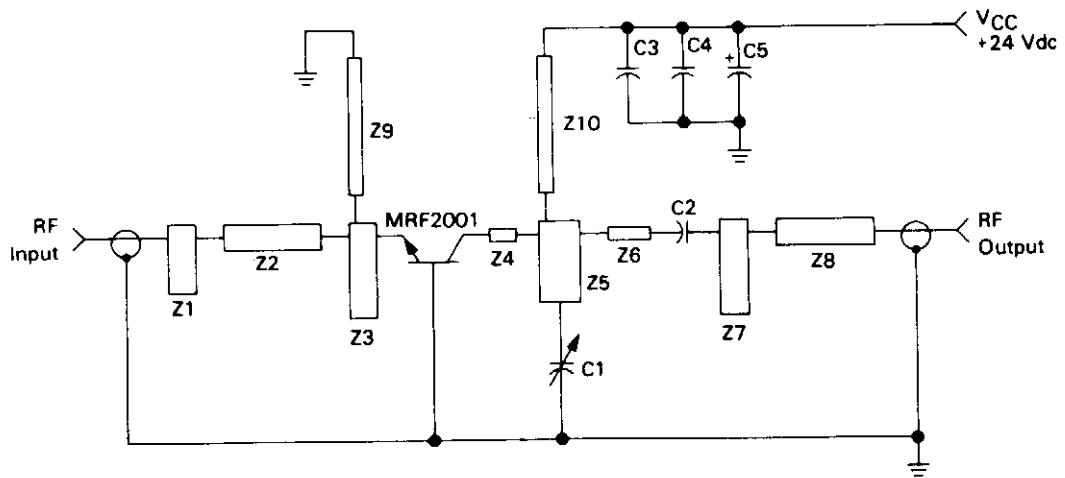
Fig. 85-1

### **Circuit Notes**

The amplifier provides a total power gain of about 25 dB, and the construction technique allows the use of inexpensive components throughout. The MRF476 is specified as a 3 watt device and the MRF475 has an output power of 12 watts. Both are extremely tolerant to overdrive and load mismatches, even under CW conditions. Typical IMD numbers are better than  $-35$  dB, and the power gains are 18 dB and 12 dB, respectively, at 30 MHz. The bias currents of each stage are individually adjustable with R5 and R6. Capacitors C4 and C10 function as audio-frequency bypasses to further reduce the source impedance at the frequencies of modulation. Gain leveling across the band is achieved with simple RC networks in series with the bases, in conjunction with negative feedback. The amplitude of the out-of-phase voltages at the bases is inversely proportional to the frequency as a result of the series inductance in the feedback loop and the increasing input impedance of the transistor at low frequencies. Conversely, the negative feedback lowers the effective input impedance presented to the source (not the input impedance of the device itself) and with proper voltage slope would equalize it. With this technique, it is possible to maintain an input VSWR of 1.5:1 or less than 1.6 to 30 MHz.



## 1 WATT, 2.3 GHz AMPLIFIER



C1 — 0.4-2.5 pF Johanson 7285\*

C2, C3 — 68 pF, 50 mil ATC\*\*

C4 — 0.1  $\mu$ F, 50 V

C5 — 4.7  $\mu$ F, 50 V Tantalum

Z1-Z10 — Microstrip; see Photomaster, Figure 3

Board Material — 0.0625" 3M Glass Teflon,\*\*\*

$\epsilon_r = 2.5 \pm 0.05$

\*Johanson Manufacturing Corp., 400 Rockaway Valley Road, Boonton, NJ 07005

\*\*American Technical Ceramics, One Norden Lane, Huntington Station, NY 11746

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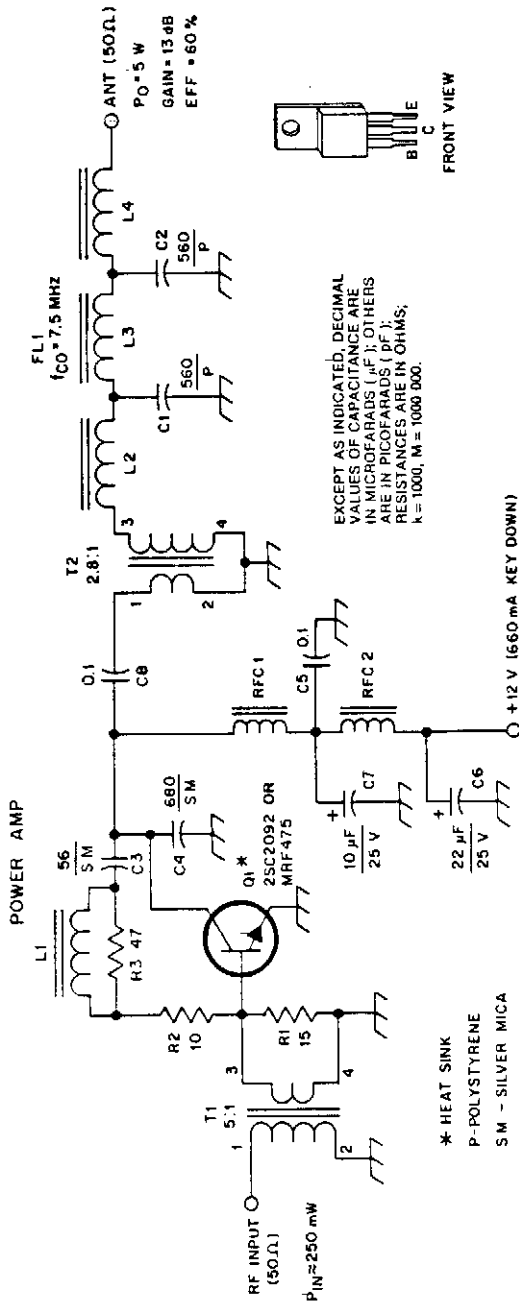
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Fig. 85-2

### **Circuit Notes**

Simplicity and repeatability are featured in this 1 watt S-band amplifier design. The design uses an MRF2001 transistor as a common base, Class C amplifier. The amplifier delivers 1 watt output with 8 dB minimum gain at 24 V, and is tunable from 2.25 to 2.35 GHz. Applications include microwave communications equipment and other systems requiring medium power, narrow band amplification. The amplifier circuitry consists almost entirely of distributed microstrip elements. A total of six additional components, including the MRF2001, are required to build a working amplifier. The input and output impedances of the transistor are matched to 50 ohms by double section low pass networks. The networks are designed to provide about 3% 1 dB power bandwidth while maintaining a collector efficiency of approximately 30%. There is one tuning adjustment in the amplifier—C1 in the output network. Ceramic chip capacitors, C2 and C3, are used for dc blocking and power supply decoupling. Additional low frequency decoupling is provided by capacitors C4 and C5.

# 5-W RF POWER AMPLIFIER



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\* HEAT SINK  
P - POLYSTYRENE  
SM - SILVER MICA

L1—0.22-μH inductor. Small RF choke or 8 turns of no. 24 enam wire on an Amidon T-37-6 toroid.  
L2, L4—0.8-μH inductor. 12 turns of no. 24 enam wire on an Amidon T-50-2 toroid.  
L3—1.67-μH inductor. 18 turns of no. 24 enam wire on an Amidon T-50-2 toroid.

RFC1—2.8 μH choke. 24 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an Amidon T-50-2 toroid.  
RFC2—42 μH choke. 10 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an Amidon FT-37-43 toroid.  
T1—Primary has 16 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an Amidon FT-37-43 toroid.

Secondary has 6 turns of no. 26 enam wire.  
T2—Primary (Q1 side) has 9 turns of no. 24 enam wire on an Amidon FT-50-43 toroid. Secondary has 15 turns of no. 24 enam wire.

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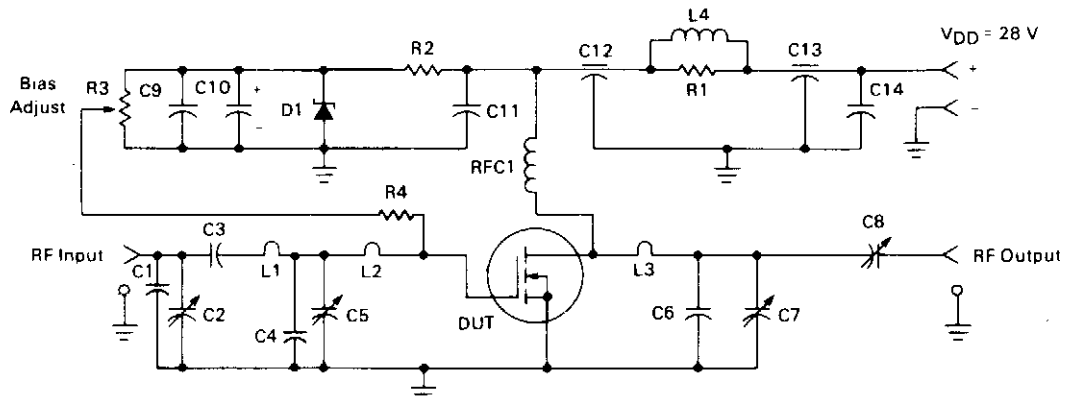
Fig. 85-3

## Circuit Notes

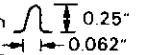
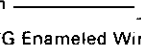
Numbered components are so designated for PC-board layout purposes. C5 and C8 are disc ceramic. C6 and C7 are tantalum or electrolytic. R1, R2 and R3 are ½ W carbon composition resistors. Silver-mica capacitors may be substituted for polystyrene (P) types. Impedance transformation ratios are shown above T1 and T2.



## 125 WATT 150 MHz AMPLIFIER



C1 — 35 pF Unleco  
 C2, C5 — Arco 462, 5–80 pF  
 C3 — 100 pF Unleco  
 C4 — 25 pF Unleco  
 C6 — 40 pF Unleco  
 C7 — Arco 461, 2.7–30 pF  
 C8 — Arco 463, 9–180 pF  
 C9, C11, C14 — 0.1  $\mu$ F Erie Redcap  
 C10 — 50  $\mu$ F, 50 V  
 C12, C13 — 680 pF Feedthru  
 D1 — 1N5925A Motorola Zener

L1 — #16 AWG, 1-1/4 Turns, 0.213" ID  
 L2 — #16 AWG, Hairpin   
 L3 — #14 AWG, Hairpin   
 L4 — 10 Turns #16 AWG Enameled Wire on R1  
 RFC1 — 18 Turns #16 AWG Enameled Wire, 0.3" ID  
 R1 — 10  $\Omega$ , 2.0 W  
 R2 — 1.8 k $\Omega$ , 1/2 W  
 R3 — 10 k $\Omega$ , 10 Turn Bourns  
 R4 — 10 k $\Omega$ , 1/4 W

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Fig. 85-5

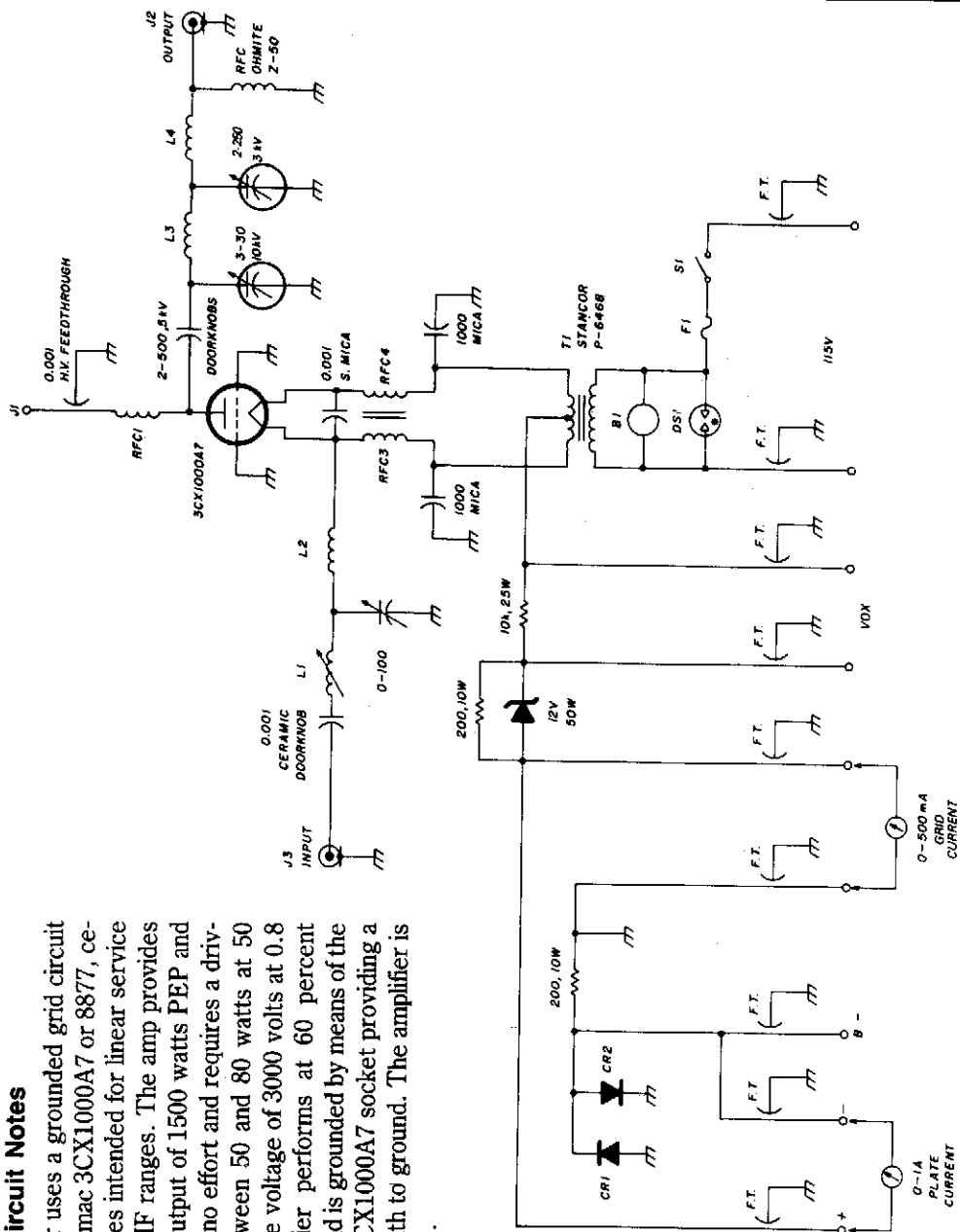
### Circuit Notes

This amplifier operates from a 28 Vdc supply. It has a typical gain of 12 dB, and can survive operation into a 30:1 VSWR load at any phase angle with no damage. The amplifier has an AGC range in excess of 20 dB. This means that with input power held constant at the level that provides 125 watts output, the output power may be reduced to less than 1.0 watt continuously by driving the dc gate voltage negative from its  $I_{DQ}$  value.

## 6-METER KILOWATT AMPLIFIER

### Circuit Notes

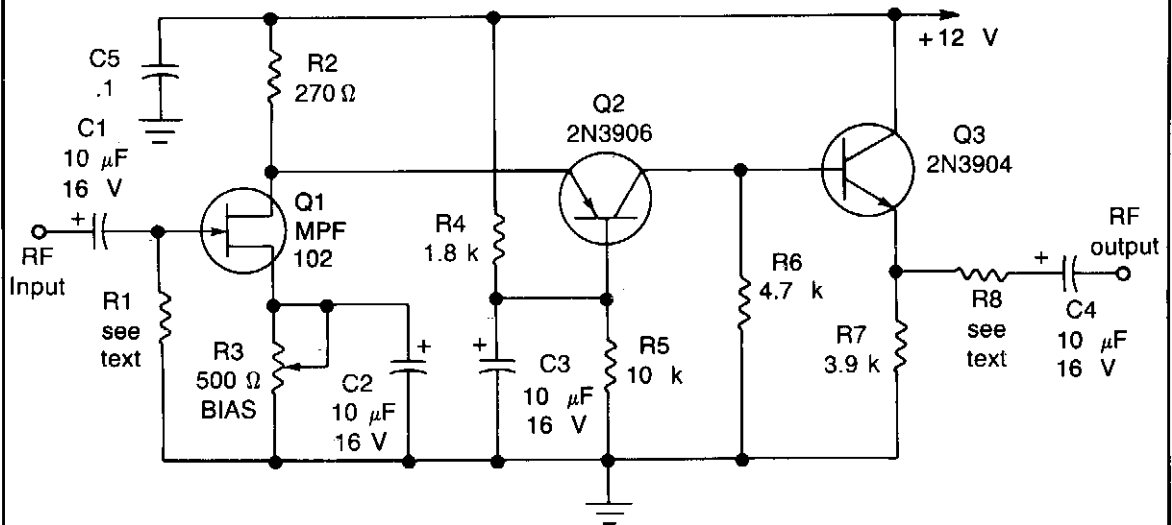
The amplifier uses a grounded grid circuit with either the Eimac 3CX1000A7 or 8877, ceramic/metal triodes intended for linear service in the HF and VHF ranges. The amp provides the legal power output of 1500 watts PEP and CW service with no effort and requires a driver delivering between 50 and 80 watts at 50 MHz. With a plate voltage of 3000 volts at 0.8 amps the amplifier performs at 60 percent efficiency. The grid is grounded by means of a grid ring of the 3CX1000A7 socket providing a low-inductance path to ground. The amplifier is completely stable.



HAM RADIO

Fig. 85-6

## BROADCAST-BAND RF AMPLIFIER



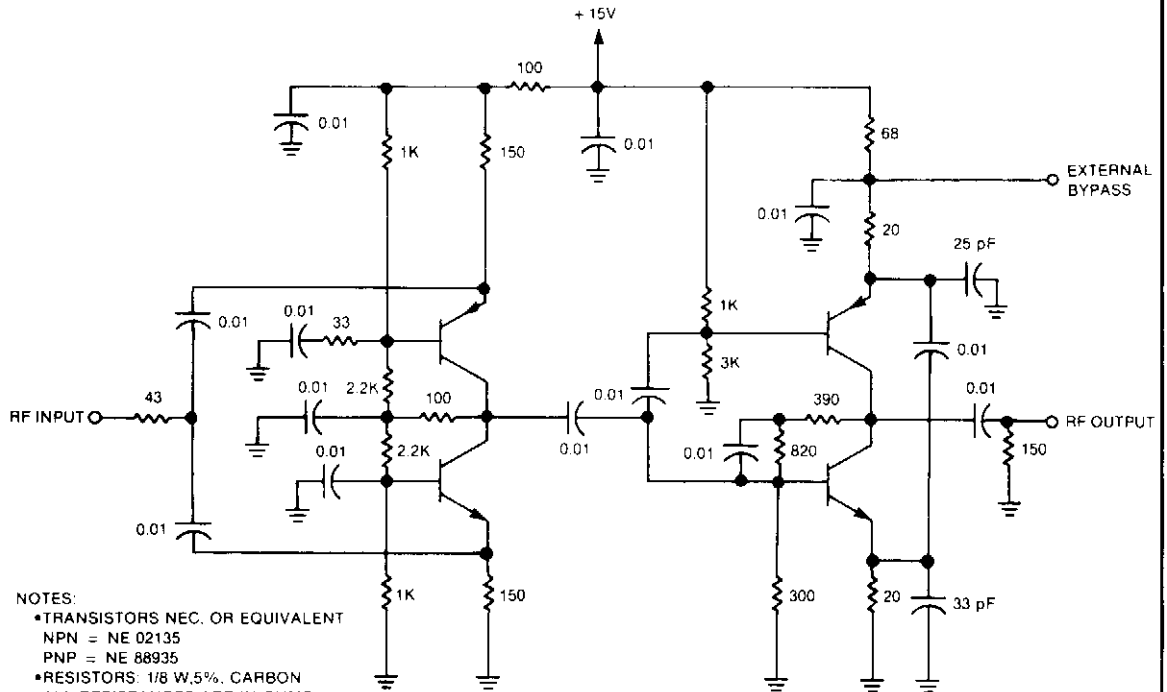
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Fig. 85-7

### Circuit Notes

The circuit has a frequency response ranging from 100 Hz to 3 MHz; gain is about 30 dB. Field-effect transistor Q1 is configured in the common-source self-biased mode; optional resistor R1 sets the input impedance to any desired value. Commonly, it will be 50 ohms. The signal is then direct-coupled to Q2, a common-base circuit that isolates the input and output stages and provides the amplifier's exceptional stability. Q3 functions as an emitter follower, to provide low output impedance (about 50 ohms). For higher output impedance, include resistor R8. It will affect impedance according to this formula:  $R8 \sim R_{out} - 50$ . Otherwise, connect output capacitor C4 directly to the emitter of Q3.

## IMPROVED RF ISOLATION AMPLIFIER



**NOTES:**

- TRANSISTORS NEC. OR EQUIVALENT  
NPN = NE 02135  
PNP = NE 88935
- RESISTORS: 1/8 W.5%. CARBON  
ALL RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- ALL CAPACITANCES ARE IN MICROFARADS  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

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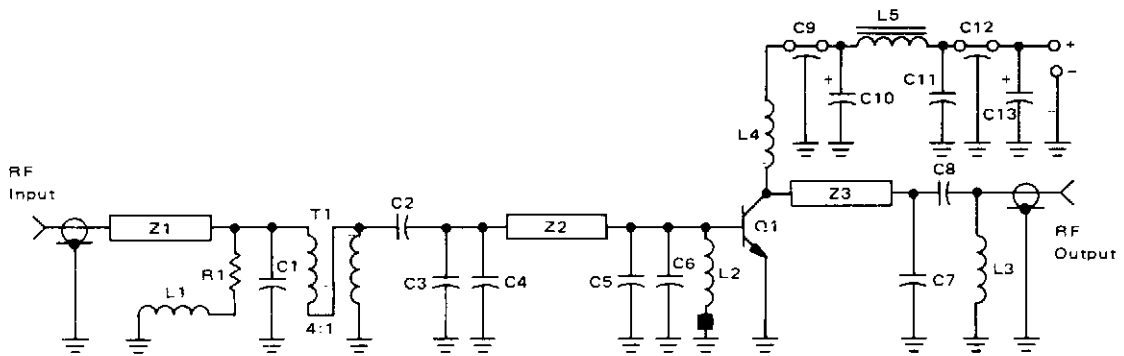
**Fig. 85-8**

### Circuit Notes

This wideband RF isolation amplifier has a frequency response of 0.5 to 400 MHz  $\pm$  0.5 dB. This two stage amplifier can be used in applications requiring high reverse isolation, such as receiver intermediate-frequency (IF) strips and frequency distribution systems. Both stages use complementary-symmetry transistor arrangements. The input stage is a common-base connection for the complementary circuit. The output stage, which supplies the positive gain, is a common-emitter circuit using emitter degeneration and collector-base feedback for impedance control.



## A 10 WATT 225-400 MHz AMPLIFIER



C1 - 8.2 pF Chip\*  
 C2 - 270 pF Chip\*  
 C3 - 36 pF Chip\*  
 C4, C7 - 15 pF Chip\*  
 C5, C6 - 50 pF Chip\*  
 C8 - 82 pF Chip\*  
 C9, C12 - 680 pF Feedthru  
 C10, C13 - 1.0  $\mu$ F 50 V Tantalum  
 C11 - 0.1  $\mu$ F Erie Redcap

L1, L3 - 3 Turns #22 AWG 1/8" (3.175 mm) ID  
 L2 - 0.15  $\mu$ H Molded Choke  
 L4 - 0.15  $\mu$ H Molded Choke with Ferroxcube Bead  
 (Ferroxcube 56 590-65/4B on Ground End  
 of Choke)  
 L5 - Ferroxcube VK200-19/4B

\*100 mil A.C.I. Chip Capacitors

R1 - 36  $\Omega$  1/4 Watt

T1 - 25  $\Omega$  Subminiature Coax (Type UT34 25) -  
 1.75 inches (44.45 mm) long

Z1 - Microstrip Line  
 720 mils L X 162 mils W  
 18.29 mm L X 4.115 mm W

Z2 - Microstrip Line  
 680 mils L X 162 mils W  
 17.27 mm L X 4.115 mm W

Z3 - Microstrip Line  
 2200 mils L X 50 mils W  
 55.88 mm L X 1.27 mm W

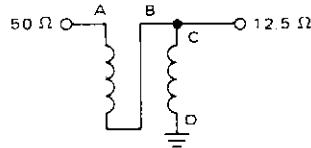
Board - 0.0625" (1.588 mm) Glass Teflon,  
 $\epsilon_r = 2.56$

Q1 - MRF331

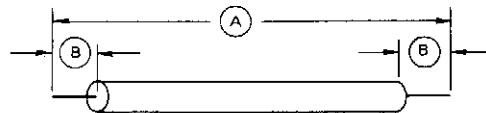
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**Fig. 85-9**

### SCHEMATIC REPRESENTATION



### ASSEMBLY AND PICTORIAL



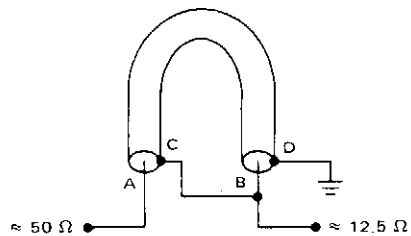
Transformer Dimensions  
 (not to scale)

(A) - 1.75 inches (4.445 cm)

(B) - 0.1875 inch (0.476 cm)

## A 10 WATT 225-400 MHz AMPLIFIER, Continued.

Transformer Connections



### Circuit Notes

This broadband amplifier covers the 225-400 MHz military communications band producing 10 watt RF output power and operating from a 28 volt supply. The amplifier can be used as a driver for higher power devices such as 2N6439 and MRF327. The circuit is designed to be driven by a 50 ohm source and operate into a nominal 50 ohm load. The input matching network consists of a section composed of C3, C4, Z2, C5 and C6. C2 is a dc blocking capacitor, and T1 is a 4:1 impedance ratio coaxial transformer. Z1 is a 50 ohm transmission line. A compensation network consisting of R1, C1, and L1 is used to improve the input VSWR and flatten the gain response of the amplifier. L2 and a small ferrite bead make up the base bias choke. The output network is made up of a microstrip L-section consisting of Z3 and C7, and a high pass section consisting of C8 and L3. C8 also serves as a dc blocking capacitor. Collector decoupling is accomplished through the use of L4, L5, C9, C10, C11, C12, and C13.

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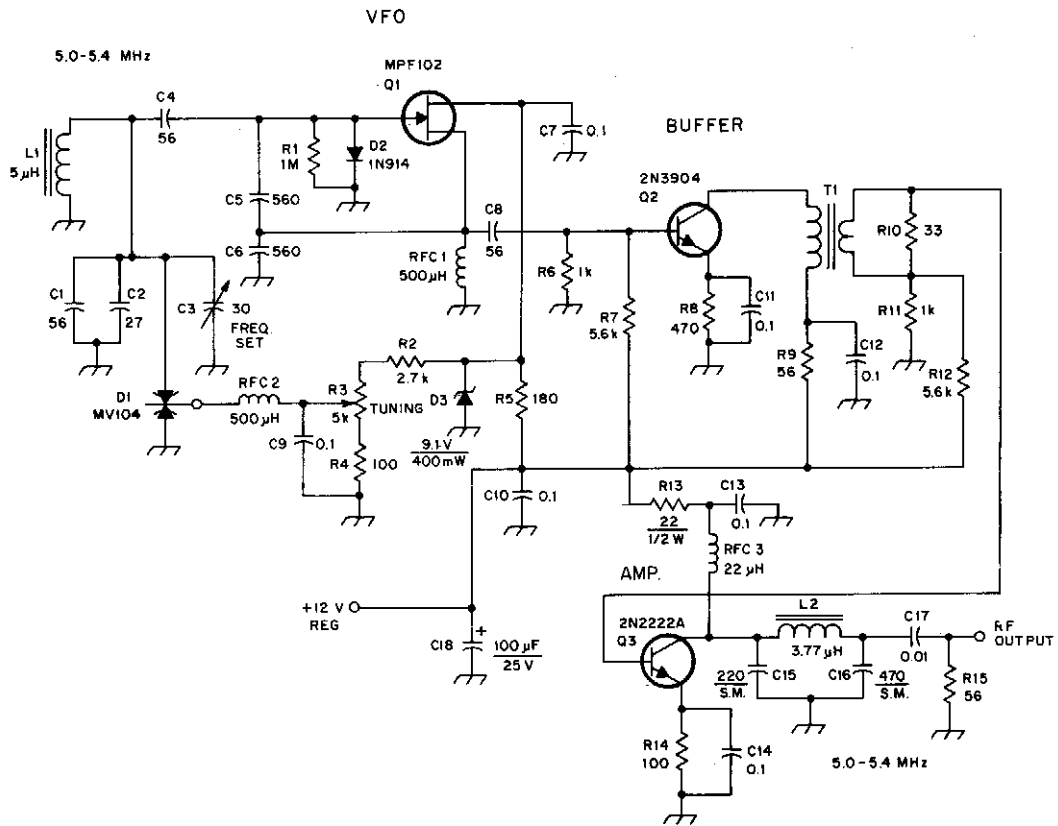
## RF Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

5 MHz VFO

## 5 MHz VFO



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**Fig. 86-1**

### Circuit Notes

A JFET (Q1) serves as the oscillator. D2 helps to stabilize the transistor by limiting positive sinewave peaks and stabilizing the bias. Output from Q1 is supplied to a class A buffer, Q2. It operates as a broadband amplifier by means of T1, which is untuned. Output amplifier Q3 is also a class A stage. A low-pass, single-section filter is used at the output of Q3 to remove some of the harmonic currents generated within the system. The filter output impedance is 50 ohms. The injection level to the mixer is 600 mV p-p.

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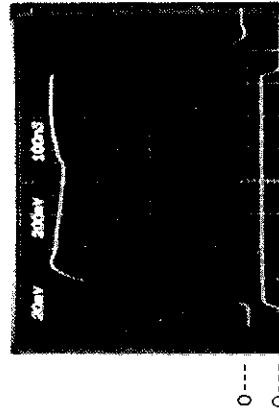
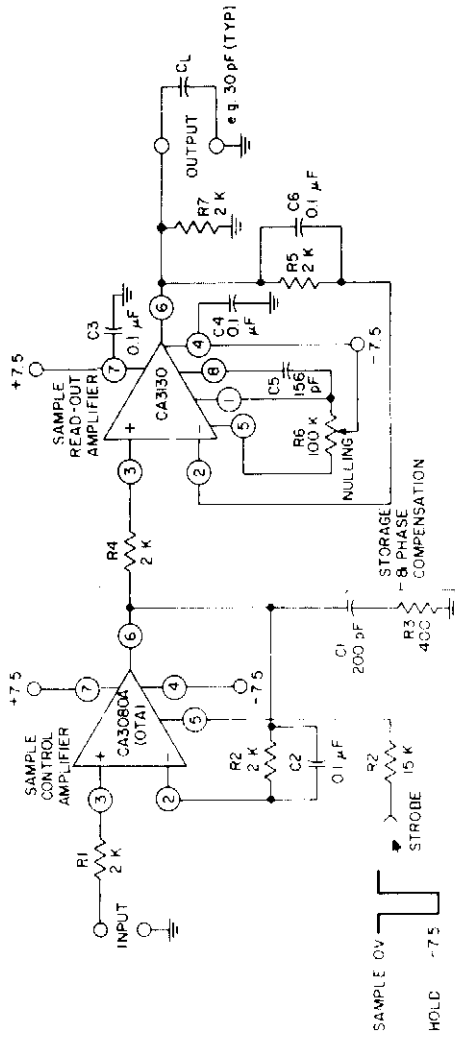
## Sample-and-Hold Circuits

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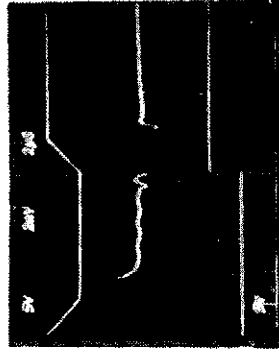
Sample-and-Hold Circuit  
Sample and Hold Circuit II  
Fast, Precision Sample-Hold  
High Performance Sample and Hold  
Infinite Sample and Hold Amplifier  
Charge Compensated Sample and Hold

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD CIRCUIT



TOP TRACE: OUTPUT—20 mV/DIV. & 100 ns/DIV.  
 BOTTOM TRACE: INPUT—200 mV/DIV. & 100 ns/DIV.

GENERAL ELECTRIC / RCA

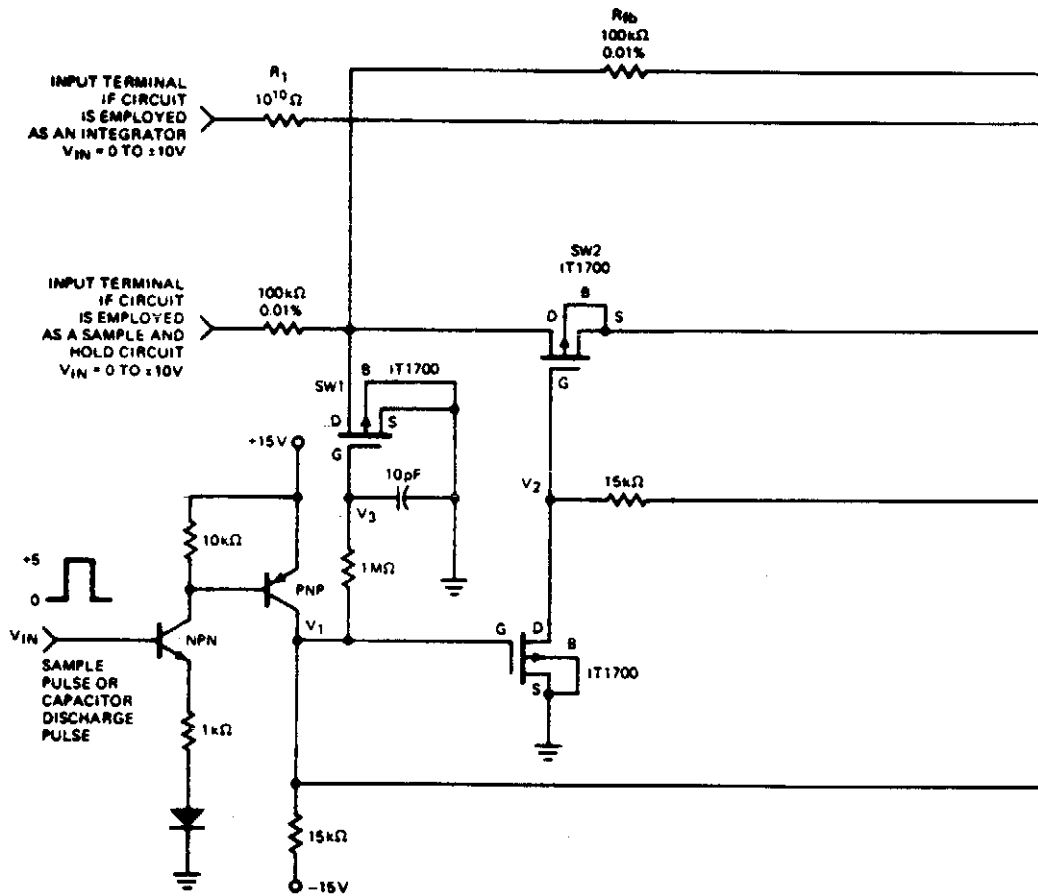


TOP TRACE: OUTPUT—5 V/DIV. & 2 μs/DIV.  
 CENTER TRACE: DIFFERENTIAL COMPARISON OF  
 INPUT & OUTPUT—2 mV/DIV. & 2 μs/DIV.  
 BOTTOM TRACE: INPUT—5 V/DIV. & 2 μs/DIV.

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3130 BIMOS op amp as the sample-readout amplifier for the storage (sample-holding) capacitor C1, and a CA3080A as the sample-control amplifier. Applications in linear systems to temporarily store analog data include DVM systems, industrial process-control, multiplex systems, and A-D converters.

## SAMPLE AND HOLD CIRCUIT II



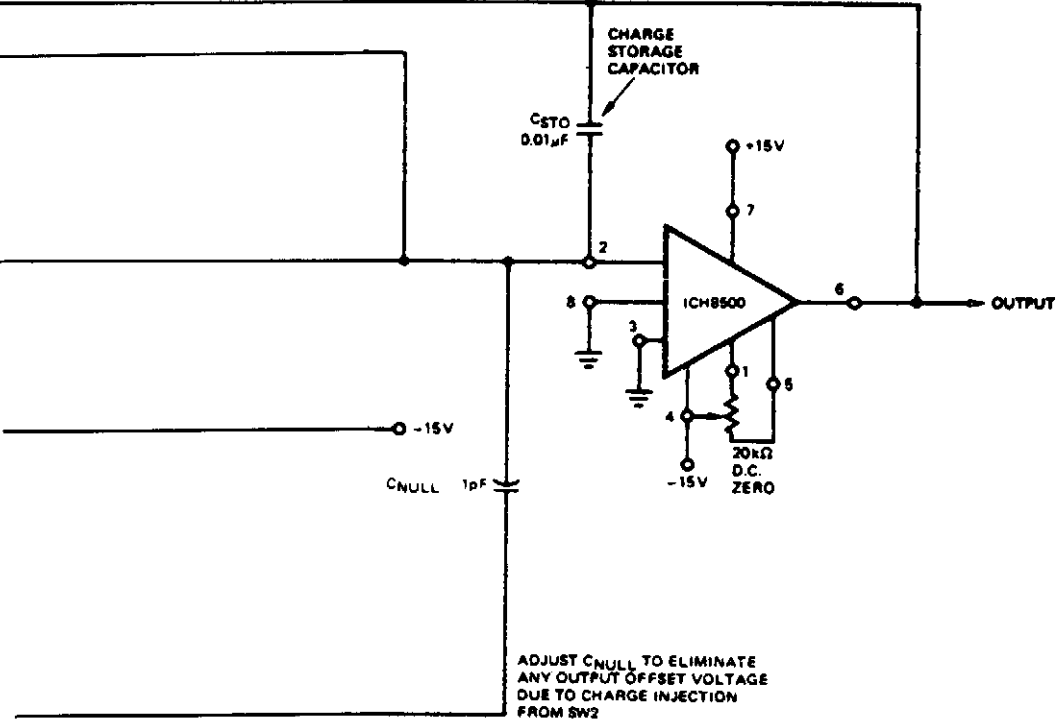
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Fig. 87-2

### Circuit Notes

This circuit rapidly charges capacitor  $C_{STO}$  to a voltage equal to an input signal. The input signal is then electrically disconnected from the capacitor with the charge still remaining on  $C_{STO}$ . Since  $C_{STO}$  is in the negative feedback loop of the operational amplifier, the output voltage of the amplifier is equal to the voltage across the capacitor. Ideally, the voltage across  $C_{STO}$  should remain constant causing the output of the amplifier to remain constant as well. However, the voltage across  $C_{STO}$  will decay at a rate proportional to the current being injected or taken out of the current summing node of the amplifier. This current can come from four sources: leakage resistance of

$R_{TD}$  CAN BE REDUCED TO 10K  
IF CIRCUIT IS EMPLOYED AS  
AN INTEGRATOR

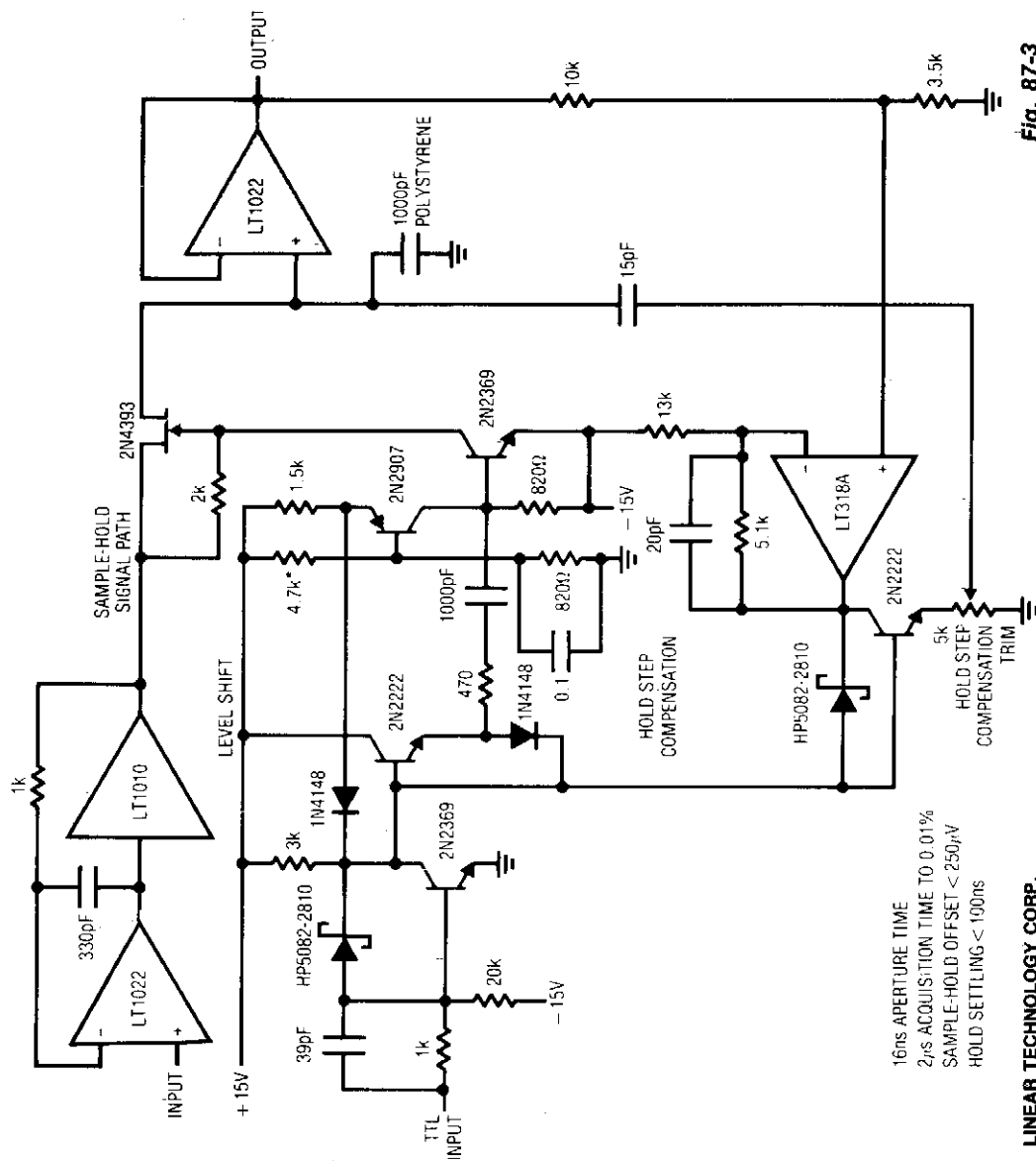


$C_{STO}$ , leakage-current due to the solid state switch SW2, currents due to high resistance paths on the circuit fixture, and most important, bias current of the operational amplifier. If the ICH8500A operational amplifier is employed, this bias current is almost non-existent (less than 0.01pA). Note that the voltages on the source, drain and gate of switch SW2 are zero or near zero when the circuit is in the hold mode. Careful construction will eliminate stray resistance paths and capacitor resistance can be eliminated if a quality capacitor is selected. The net result is a low drift sample and hold circuit.

The circuit can double as an integrator. In this application the input voltage is applied to the integrator input terminal. The time constant of the circuit is the product of  $R_1$  and  $C_{STO}$ .



# FAST, PRECISION SAMPLE-HOLD

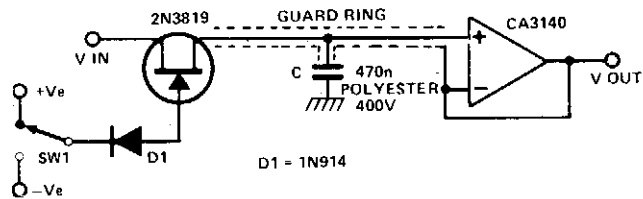


16ns APERTURE TIME  
 2-ns ACQUISITION TIME TO 0.01%  
 SAMPLE-HOLD OFFSET < 250µV  
 HOLD SETTLING < 100ns

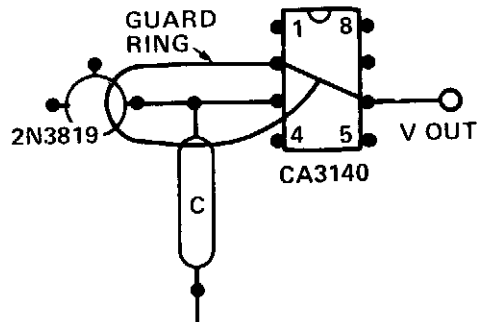
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Fig. 87-3

## HIGH PERFORMANCE SAMPLE AND HOLD



### PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD LAYOUT



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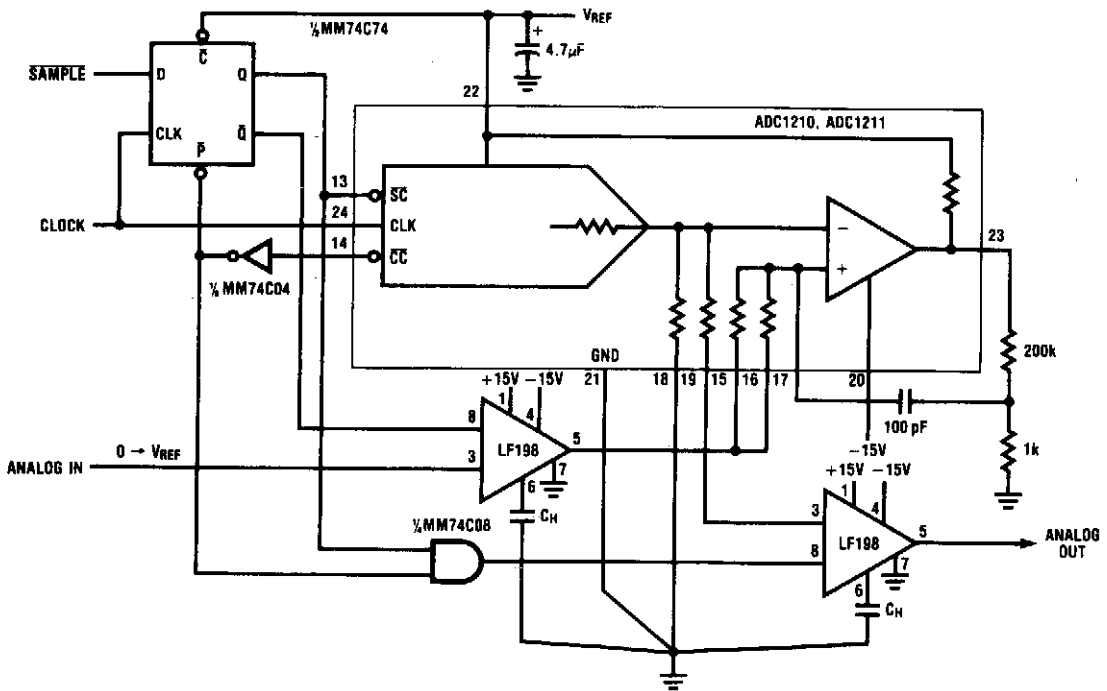
Fig. 87-4

### Circuit Notes

When switch SW1 is positive, the FET is turned on, and has a resistance of about 400 ohm. The input voltage charges up the capacitor through the FET. When SW1 is negative, the FET is turned off (pinched off). To get a long storage time, the op amp must have a very low input bias current. For the CA3140, this current is about 10 pico amps. The rate at which the capacitor will be discharged by this current is based on the equation,  $C (dv/dt) = i$  where  $dv/dt$  is the rate of change of voltage on the capacitor. Therefore:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{i}{C} = \frac{10^{-11}}{0.47 \times 10^{-6}} = 22 \mu\text{V/s}$$

## INFINITE SAMPLE AND HOLD AMPLIFIER



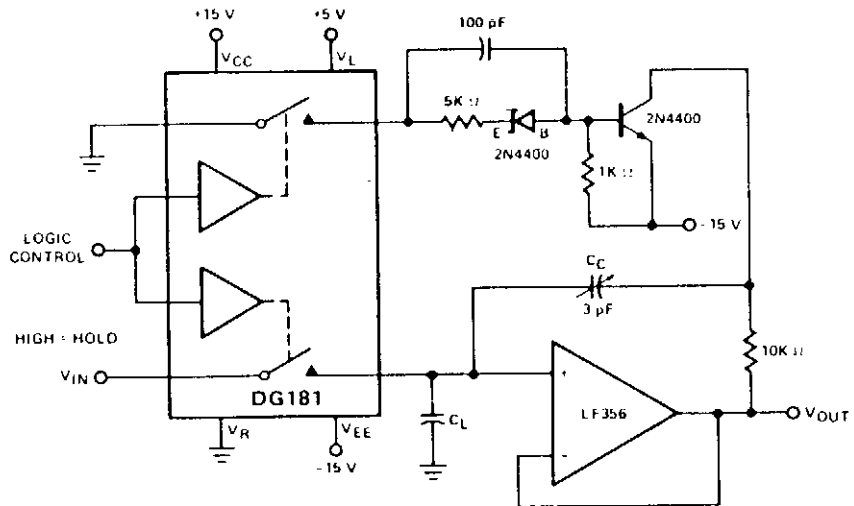
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Fig. 87-5

### Circuit Notes

During normal "hold" mode, the replicated analog voltage is buffered straight through the S/H amplifier to the output. Upon issuance of a SAMPLE signal, the S/H amplifier is placed in the hold mode, holding the voltage until the new analog voltage is valid. The same SAMPLE signal triggers an update to the input sample-and-hold amplifier. The most current analog voltage is captured and held for conversion. The previously determined voltage is held stable at the output during the conversion cycle while the SAR/D-to-A converter continuously adjusts to replicate the new input voltage. At the end of the conversion, the output sample-and-hold amplifier is once again placed in the track mode. The new analog voltage is then regenerated.

## CHARGE COMPENSATED SAMPLE AND HOLD



(< 5 mV of Sample to Hold-Offset when  $C_L = 1000 \text{ pF}$ )

SILICONIX

Fig. 87-6

### Circuit Notes

Less than  $\pm 5 \text{ pC}$  charge transfer (less than 5 mV sample-to-hold offset when  $C_L = 1000 \text{ pF}$ ).

## Sine-Wave Oscillators

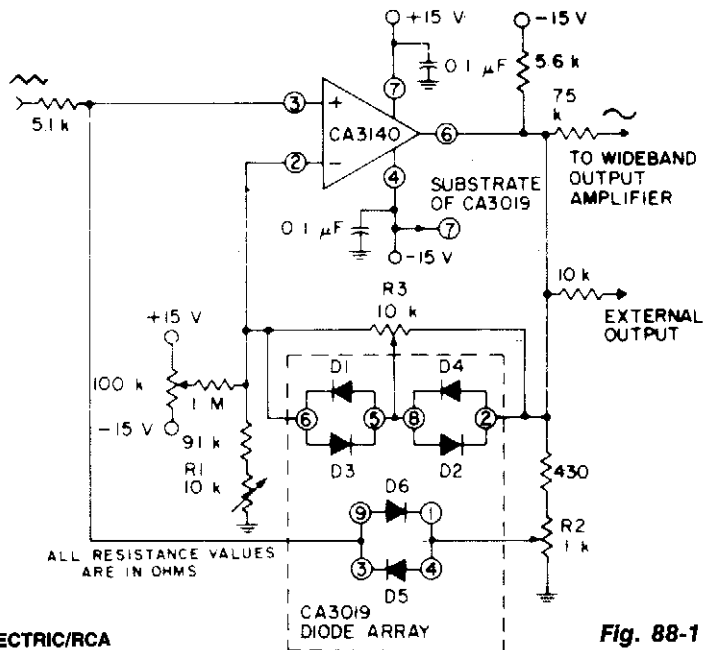
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Sine-Wave Shaper  
Low Distortion Sine-Wave Oscillator  
Audio Oscillator  
Simple Audio Sine-Wave Generator  
Low Cost Wien Bridge Oscillator  
Modified UJT Relaxation Oscillator Produces Clean  
Audio Sinusoids

A 555 Used as an RC Audio Oscillator  
Wien Bridge Oscillator Uses CMOS Chip  
Adjustable Sine-wave Audio Oscillator  
One-IC Audio Generator  
Simple Two-Tone Generator

## SINE-WAVE SHAPER



GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

### Circuit Notes

Uses a CA3140 BiMOS op amp as voltage follower, together with diodes from a CA3019 array, to convert a triangular signal (such as obtained from a function generator) to a sine-wave output with typical THD less than 2%.

## LOW DISTORTION SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

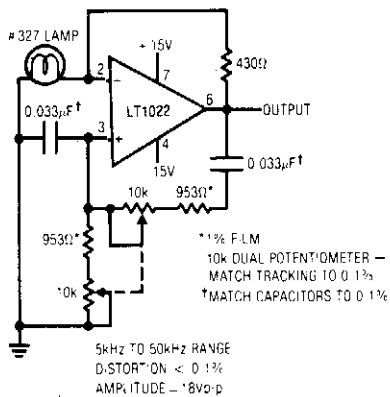
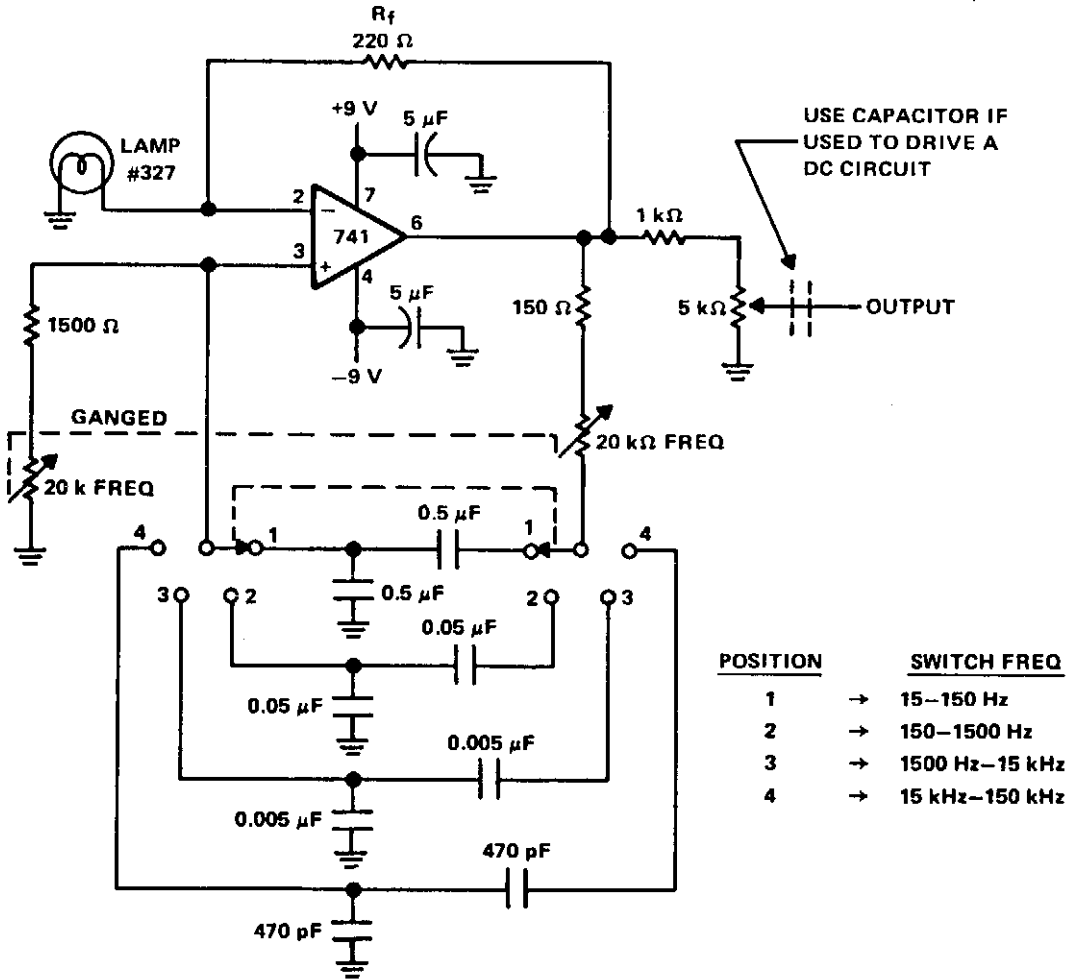


Fig. 88-2

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# AUDIO OSCILLATOR



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

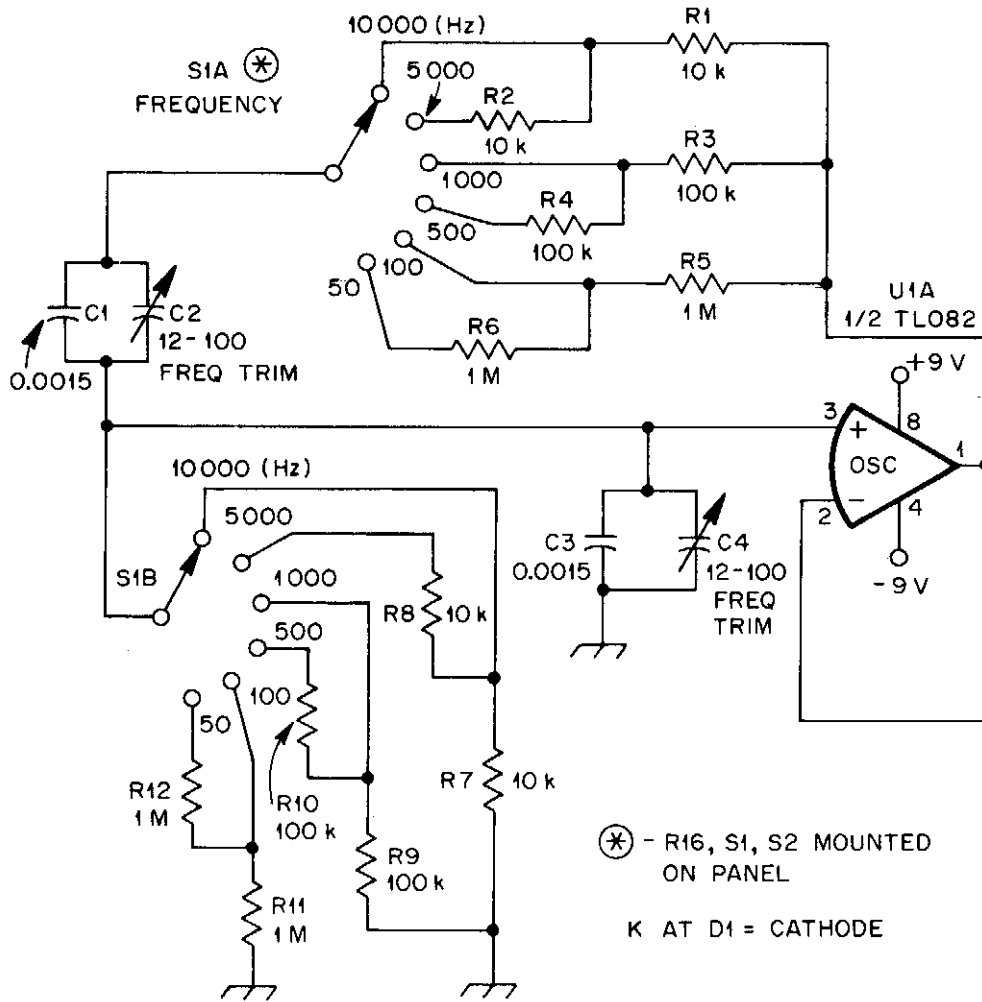
Fig. 88-3

### **Circuit Notes**

A Wien bridge oscillator produces sine waves with very low distortion level. The Wien bridge oscillator produces zero phase shift at only one frequency ( $f = \frac{1}{2} \pi RC$ ) which will be the oscillation frequency. Stable oscillation can occur only if the loop gain remains at unity at the oscillation frequency. The circuit achieves this control by using the positive temperature coefficient of a small lamp to regulate gain ( $R_f/R_{LAMP}$ ) as the oscillator attempts to vary its output. The oscillator shown here has four frequency bands covering about 15 Hz to 150 kHz. The frequency is continuously variable within each frequency range with ganged 20 k ohm potentiometers. The oscillator draws only about 4.0 mA from the 9-V batteries. Its output is from 4 to 5 V with a 10 k ohm load and the  $R_f$  (feedback resistor) is set at about 5% below the point of clipping. As shown, the center arm of the 5 k ohm output potentiometer is the output terminal. To couple the oscillator to a dc type circuit, a capacitor should be inserted in series with the output lead.



## SIMPLE AUDIO SINE-WAVE GENERATOR

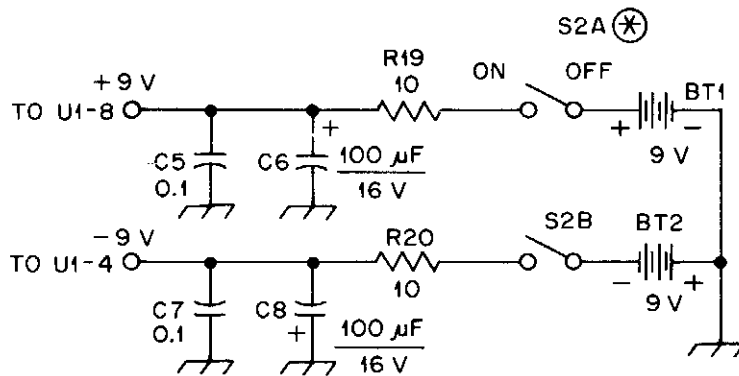


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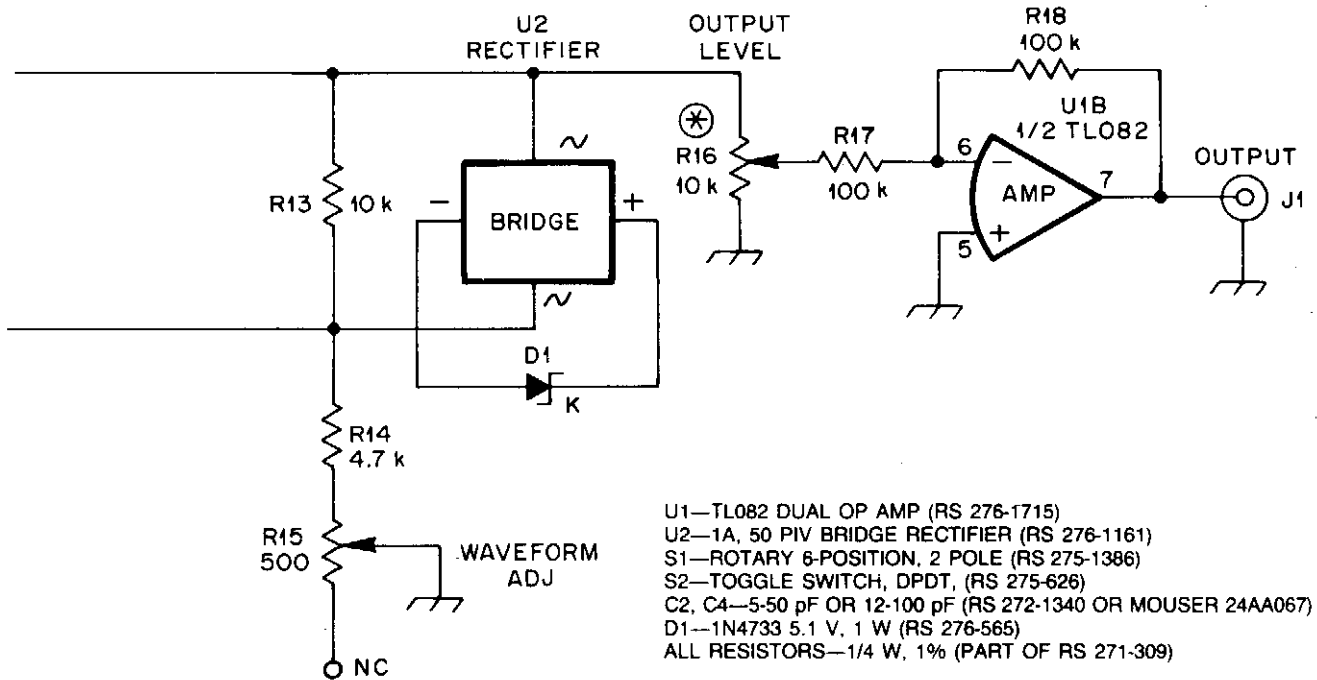
Fig. 88-4

### Circuit Notes

U1A, an op amp, oscillates at the frequency at which the phase shift in the Wien bridge network is exactly zero degrees. Changing bridge component values changes the oscillator frequency. In this circuit, we need change only the two resistors to do this. S1A chooses a value among R1 through R6, and S1B similarly selects a value from R7 through R12. U1A must provide enough gain to overcome losses in the bridge, but not so much gain that oscillation builds up to the point of overload and distortion. U2 and



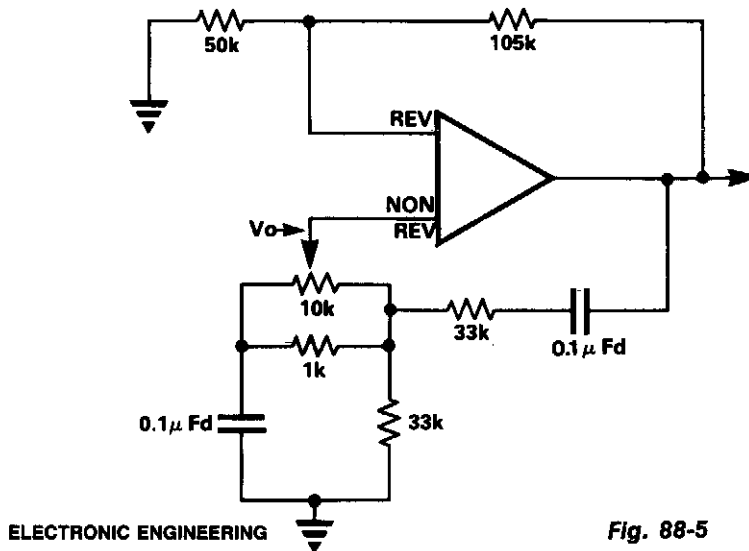
EXCEPT AS INDICATED, DECIMAL VALUES OF CAPACITANCE ARE IN MICROFARADS ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); OTHERS ARE IN PICO FARADS ( $\text{pF}$ ); RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS;  $k = 1000$ ,  $M = 1000\ 000$ .



- U1—TL082 DUAL OP AMP (RS 276-1715)
- U2—1A, 50 PIV BRIDGE RECTIFIER (RS 276-1161)
- S1—ROTARY 6-POSITION, 2 POLE (RS 275-1386)
- S2—TOGGLE SWITCH, DPDT, (RS 275-626)
- C2, C4—5-50  $\text{pF}$  OR 12-100  $\text{pF}$  (RS 272-1340 OR MOUSER 24AA067)
- D1—1N4733 5.1 V, 1 W (RS 276-565)
- ALL RESISTORS—1/4 W, 1% (PART OF RS 271-309)

C1 automatically regulate circuit gain to maintain oscillation. U2 places D1 across R13 with the proper polarity on both positive and negative alterations of the signal at pin 1 of U1. As the voltage at pin 1 of U1 approaches its peak value, D1 enters its Zener breakdown region, effectively shunting R13 with a resistive load. This increases the amount of negative feedback around U1, reducing its gain. R15, WAVEFORM ADJ, allows you to optimize circuit operation for lowest distortion. U1B provides isolation between oscillator and load. With the values shown for R17 and R18, U1B operates at unity gain.

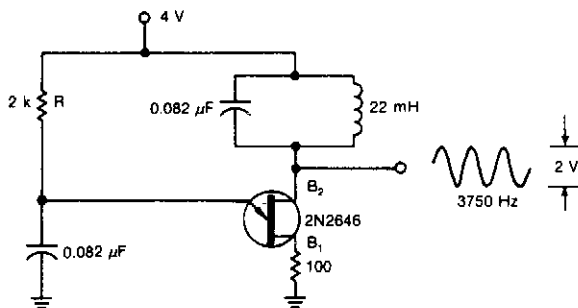
### LOW COST WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR



#### Circuit Notes

In the circuit the frequency trimming component is arranged so that the voltage across it is in quadrature with the voltage  $V_o$  from the bridge so that as it is adjusted the attenuation of the bridge only changes a little, avoiding the need for a two gang component. The range of variation of frequency is very limited. By using a high gain amplifier and metal film feedback resistors the loop gain can be set so that the unit just oscillates and the use of an automatic gain setting component, a thermistor for example, is eliminated.

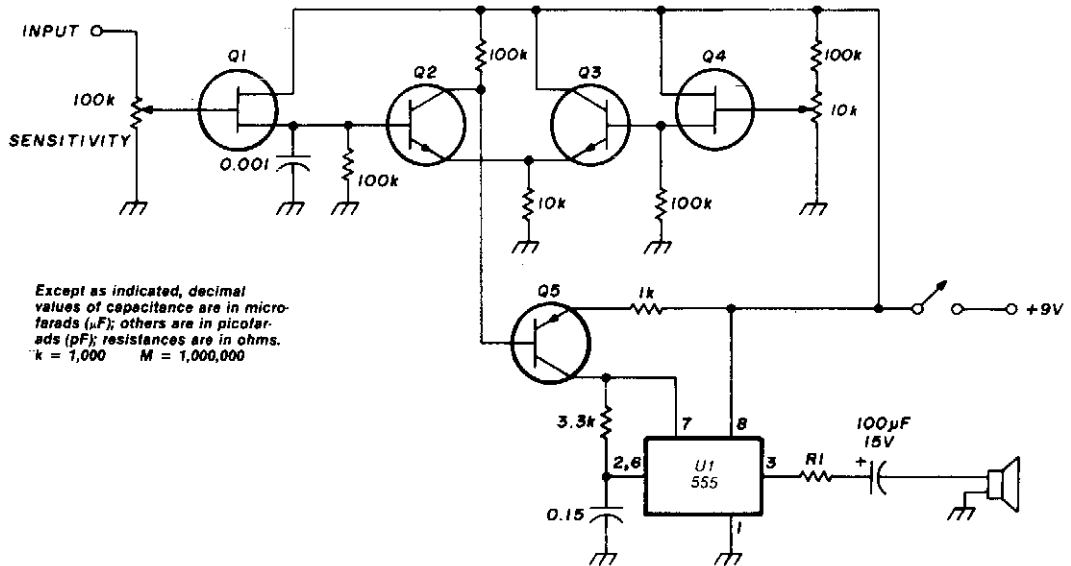
### MODIFIED UJT RELAXATION OSCILLATOR PRODUCES CLEAN AUDIO SINUSOIDS



#### Circuit Notes

By placing a tuned circuit in the UJT oscillator's current-pulse path, a 3750-Hz sinusoid can be created at B2 with the component values shown.

## A 555 USED AS AN RC AUDIO OSCILLATOR



HAM RADIO

Fig. 88-7

### Circuit Notes

Transistor Q5 and the 1000 ohm resistor form the variable element needed for controlling the frequency of VCO by limiting the charging current flowing into the 0.15  $\mu\text{F}$  timing capacitor according to the forward bias being applied to Q5. As the voltage on pins 2 and 6 of U1 reach  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$  (about 6 volts with a 9-volt supply) the timer will fire and pin 3 will be pulled low. Pin 7, an open collector output, goes low and begins to discharge the timing capacitor—through the 3.3 kilohm resistor. The discharge time provided by this resistor assures a reasonable, although asymmetrical, waveform for the aural signal generated by U1. At  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$  the internal flip-flop resets, the output on pin 3 goes high, the open collector output on pin 7 floats, and the timing cycle begins again.

### WIEN BRIDGE OSCILLATOR USES CMOS CHIP

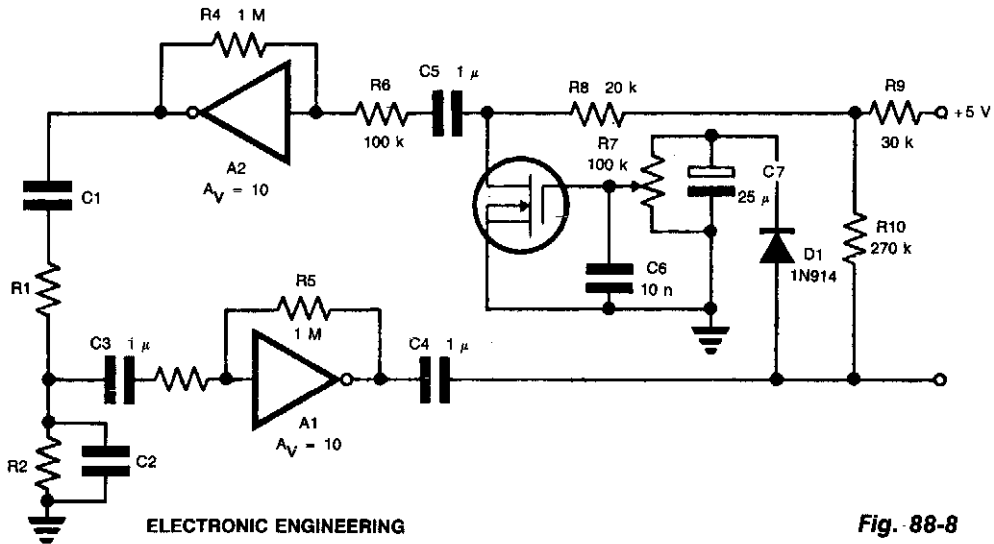


Fig. 88-8

### ADJUSTABLE SINE-WAVE AUDIO OSCILLATOR

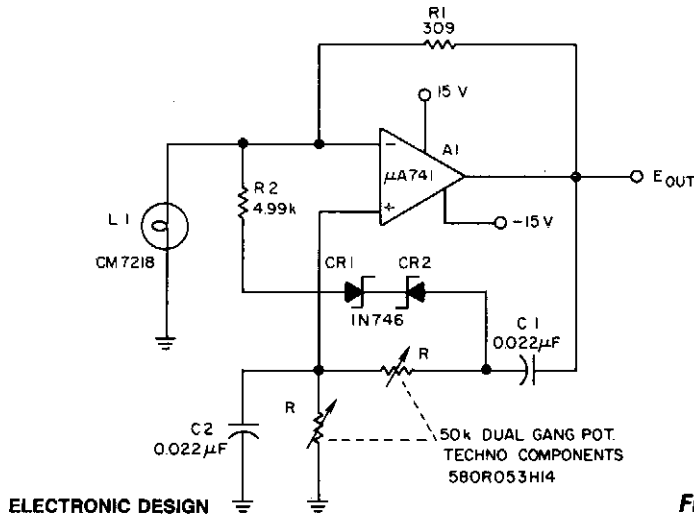
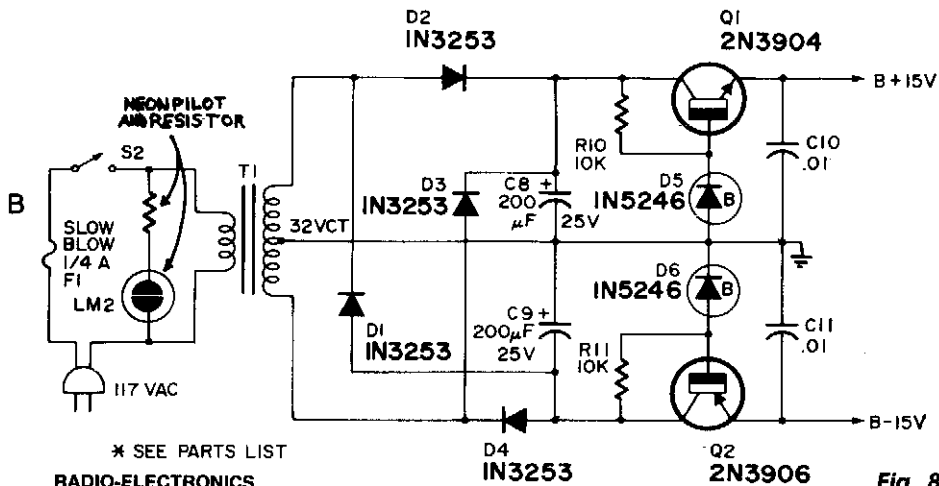
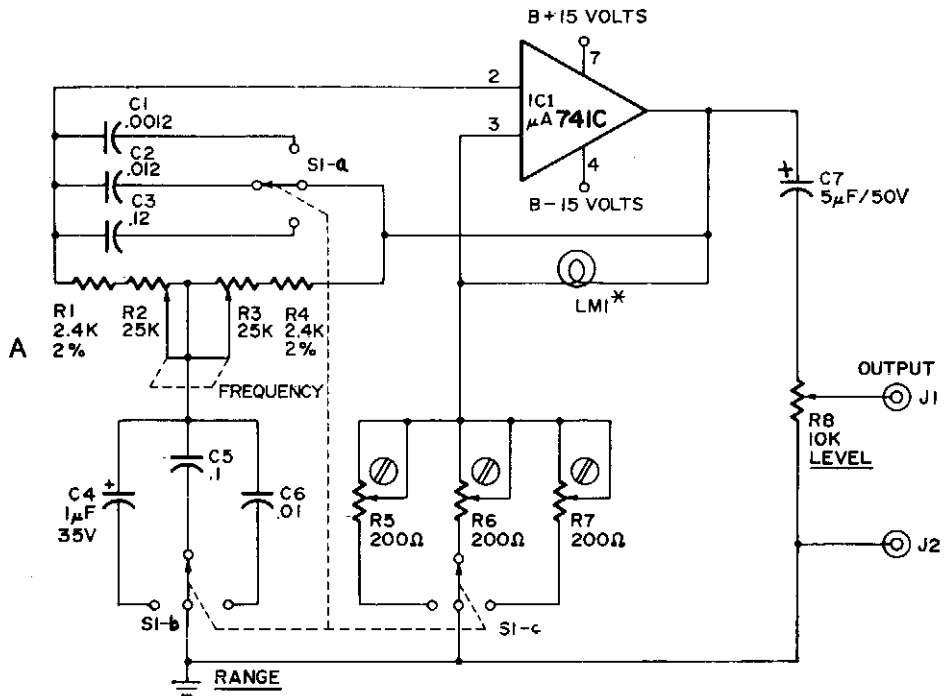


Fig. 88-9

#### Circuit Notes

Waveform purity at low frequencies for a Wien bridge oscillator is enhanced by diode limiting. Lamp L1 stabilizes the loop gain at higher frequencies while the limiting action of R2, CR1, and CR2 prevents clipping at low frequencies and increases the frequency adjustment range from about 3:1 to greater than 10:1.

# ONE-IC AUDIO GENERATOR



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Fig. 88-10

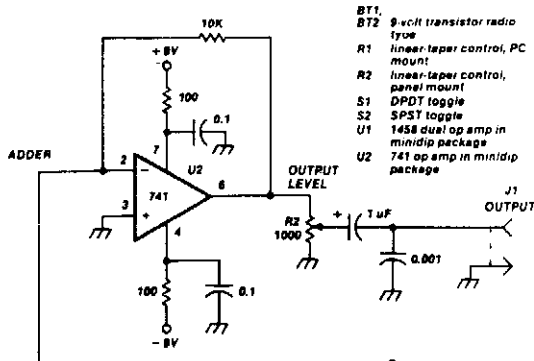
## Circuit Notes

This high-quality low-cost generator covers 20 Hz to 20 kHz in three bands with less than 1% distortion. LM1—10 V, 14 mA (344, 1869, 914) or 10 V, 10 mA (913, 367).

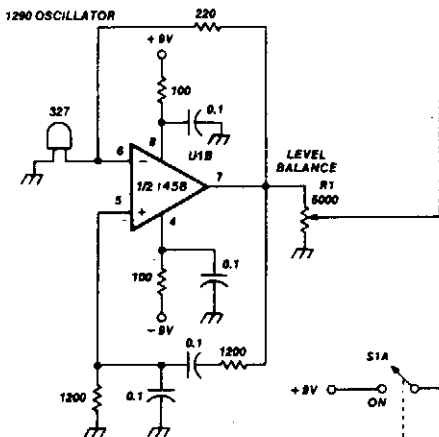
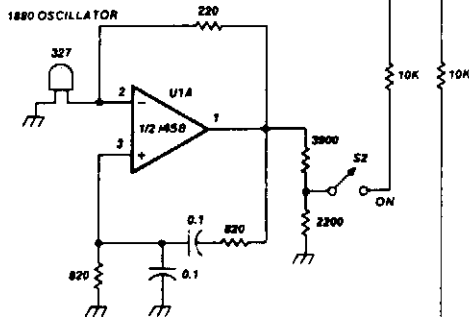
A = oscillator

B = power supply

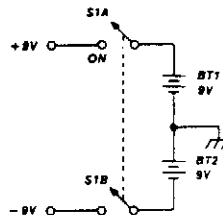
## SIMPLE TWO-TONE GENERATOR



- BT1 9-volt transistor radio type
- BT2 9-volt transistor radio type
- R1 linear-taper control, PC mount
- R2 linear-taper control, panel mount
- S1 DPDT toggle
- S2 SPST toggle
- U1 1458 dual op amp in minidip package
- U2 741 op amp in minidip package



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms.  $k = 1,000$   $M = 1,000,000$



### Circuit Notes

Two 741 operational amplifiers are used for the active element in this Wien bridge oscillator. (The 1458 is the dual version of the 741.) Frequencies of the two oscillators were chosen to fit standard component values. Other frequencies between 500 and 2000 Hz can be employed. They should not be harmonically related. The output level of U1A is set by a resistive divider, while the output of U1B is adjustable through R1. The output of the two oscillators is combined in U2, an op-amp adder with unity gain. The output from U2 can be adjusted using R2.

## Sirens, Warblers and Wailers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Warble Generator

Wailing Alarm

Warble-Tone Alarm

Warbling Tone Generator

Multifunction Siren System

7400 Siren

Toy Siren

Siren Uses TTL Gates

Electronic Ship Siren

Siren Alarm Simulates Star Trek Red Alert

Yelp Oscillator

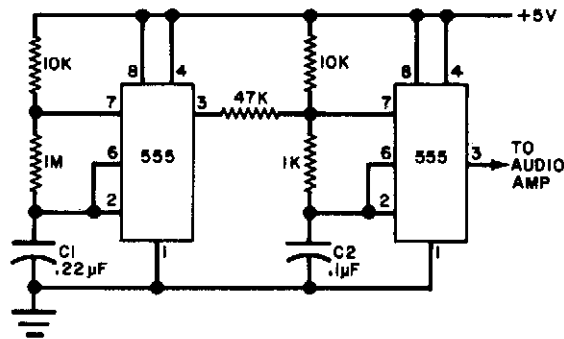
High Power Siren

“Hee-Haw” Two-Tone Siren

Varying Frequency Warning Alarm



### WARBLE GENERATOR



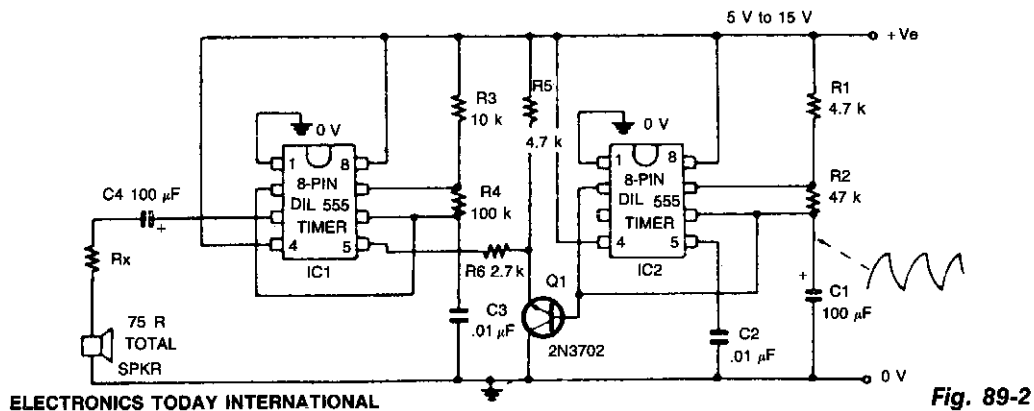
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Fig. 89-1

#### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a pair of 555 timers or a single dual timer. Capacitor C1 controls the speed of the warble, while C2 determines the pitch. The values shown should produce quite a distinctive signal.

### WAILING ALARM



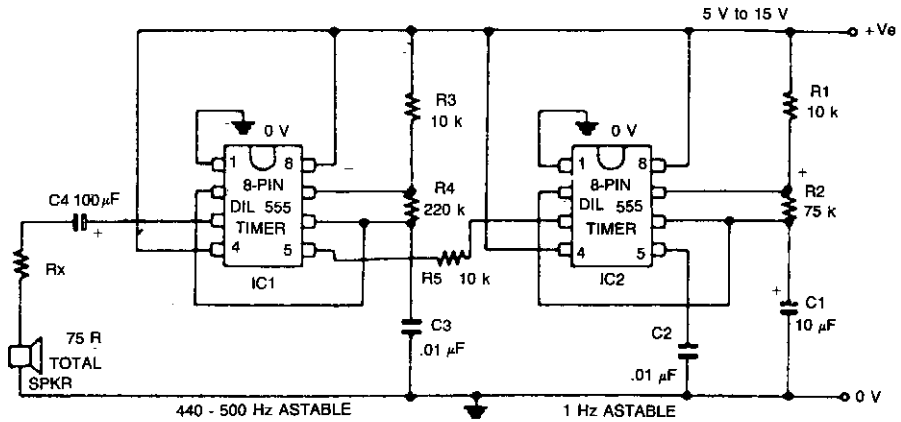
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Fig. 89-2

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit simulates the sound of an American police siren. IC2 is wired as a low frequency astable that has a cycling period of about 6 seconds. The slowly varying ramp waveform on C1 is fed to pnp emitter follower Q1, and is then used to frequency modulate alarm generator IC1 via R6. IC1 has a natural center frequency of about 800Hz. Circuit action is such that the alarm output signal starts at a low frequency, rises for 3 seconds to a high frequency, then falls over 3 seconds to a low frequency again, and so on ad infinitum.

## WARBLE-TONE ALARM



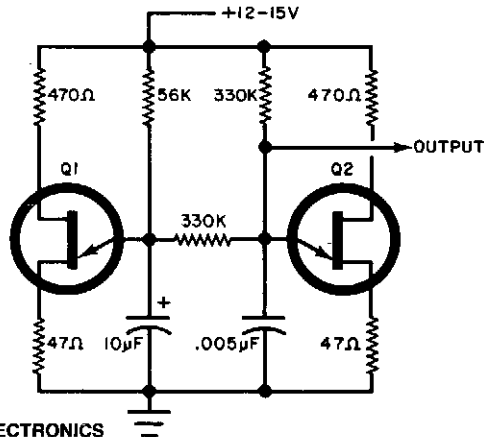
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**Fig. 89-3**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit generates a warble-tone alarm signal that simulates the sound of a British police siren. IC1 is wired as an alarm generator and IC2 is wired as a 1 Hz astable multivibrator. The output of IC2 is used to frequency modulate IC1 via R5. The action is such that the output frequency of IC1 alternates symmetrically between 500 Hz and 440 Hz, taking one sound to complete each alternating cycle.

## WARBLING TONE GENERATOR



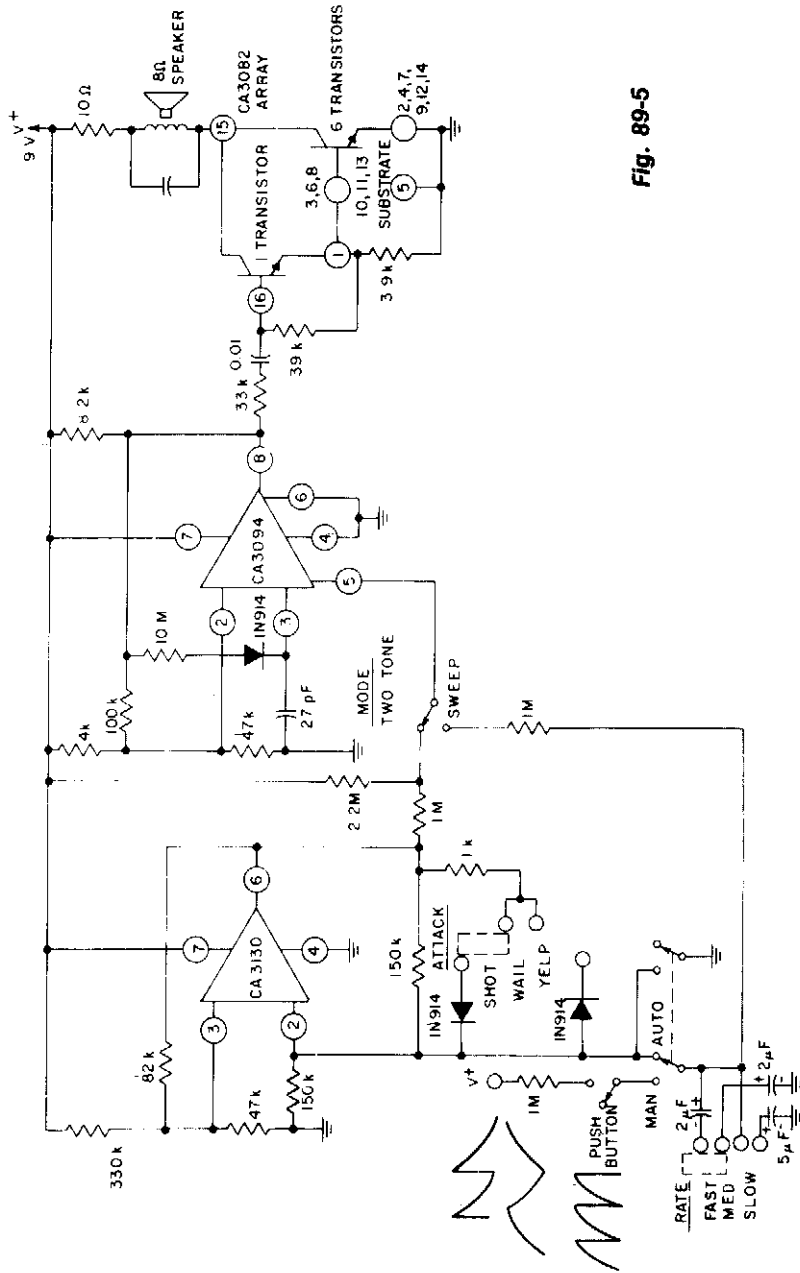
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**Fig. 89-4**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses two unijunction transistors. The low-frequency sawtooth generated by Q1 modulates the high-frequency tone generated by Q2. The output should feed into a high-impedance amplifier. Q1 = Q2 = 2N4871.

# MULTIFUNCTION SIREN SYSTEM



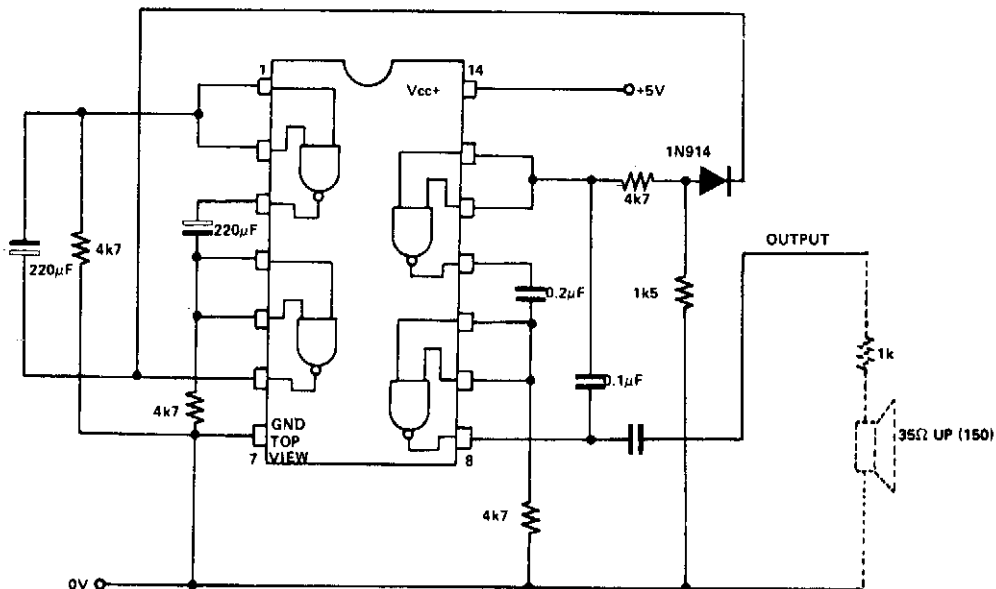
GENERAL ELECTRIC/RCA

## Circuit Notes

The circuit uses a CA3130 BiMOS op amp as a multivibrator to control the siren's rate. A CA3094 used as a VCO is followed by a CA3082 transistor array used to drive a speaker. A "Manual" or "Auto" mode switch allows the user to select either intermittent or continuous siren operation, respectively. In addition, three switches are available that control "Mode", "Attack", and "Rate".

Fig. 89-5

### 7400 SIREN



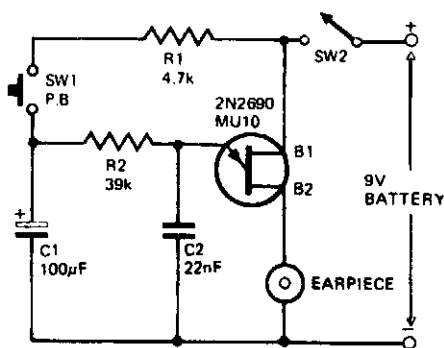
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Fig. 89-6

#### Circuit Notes

Two NAND gates are used for the oscillator, and two as the control. If the two-tone speed needs to be altered, the 220  $\mu$ F capacitors can be changed (larger for slower operation). If the frequency of the oscillator is to be changed, the 0.2 and 0.1  $\mu$ F capacitors can be varied and the value of R1 can be increased. To change frequency range between the two notes, alter the 1.5 k (1,500) resistor.

### TOY SIREN



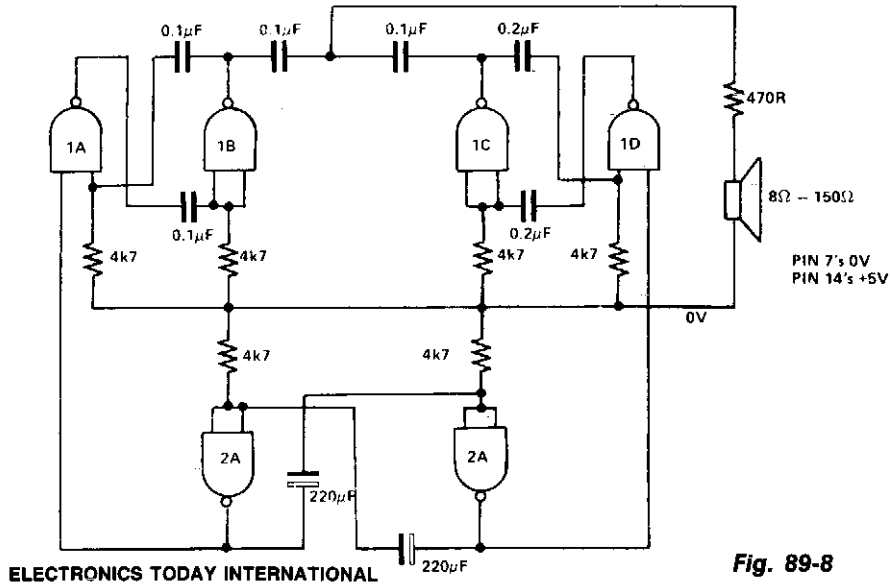
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Fig. 89-7

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit can be built small enough to fit inside a toy. The circuit consists of a relaxation oscillator utilizing one unijunction transistor (2N2646, MU10, TIS43). R2 and C2 determine the frequency of the tone. Pushing the button, SW1 charges up the capacitor and the potential at the junction of R2 and C2 rises, causing an upswing in the frequency of oscillation. On releasing the pushbutton the charge on C2 will drop slowly with a proportional reduction in the frequency of oscillation. Manual operation of the button at intervals of approximately 2 seconds will produce a siren sound.

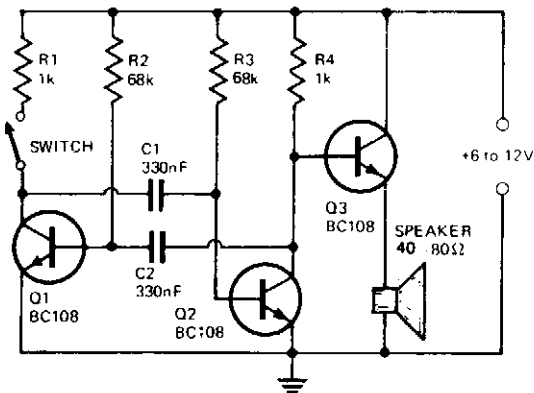
### SIREN USES TTL GATES



#### Circuit Notes

The siren consists of two oscillators which generate the tones. A third oscillator is used to switch the others on and off alternately, giving the two-tone effect. By changing the capacitor values different tones can be produced.

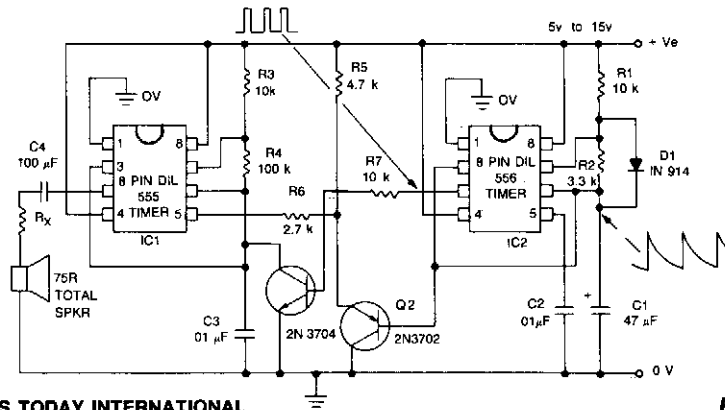
### ELECTRONIC SHIP SIREN



#### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of a multivibrator (Q1 & Q2), and a low power output stage Q3. The speaker should have an impedance in the region of 40 to 80 ohms. To use a low impedance speaker, connect an output transformer from the emitter of Q3 to ground. C1 and C2 determine the pitch of the siren and the values specified will provide a tone of about 300 Hz. Quiescent current is negligible. The output at the collector of Q2 can also be fed into an amplifier input via a 1 µF electrolytic, in series with a 12 k resistor.

## SIREN ALARM SIMULATES STAR TREK RED ALERT



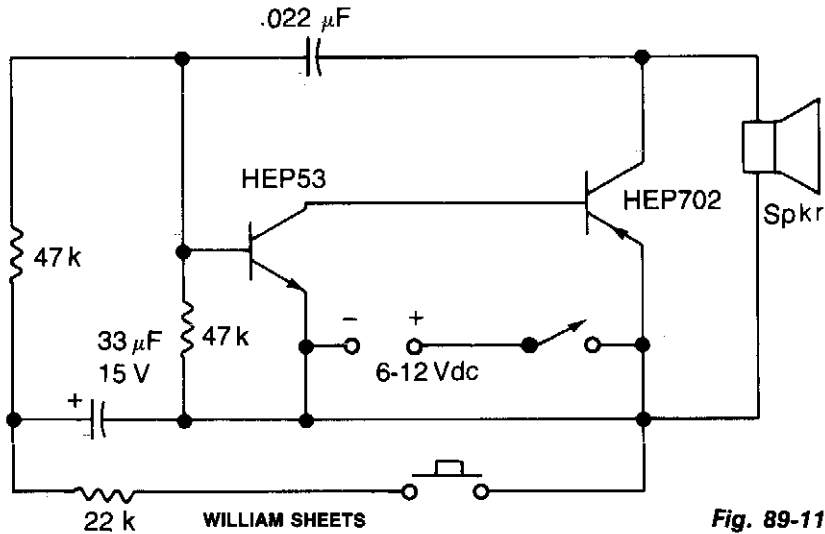
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Fig. 89-10

### Circuit Notes

The signal starts at a low frequency, rises for about 1.15 seconds to a high frequency, ceases for about 0.35 seconds, then starts rising again from a low frequency, and so on ad infinitum.

## YELP OSCILLATOR



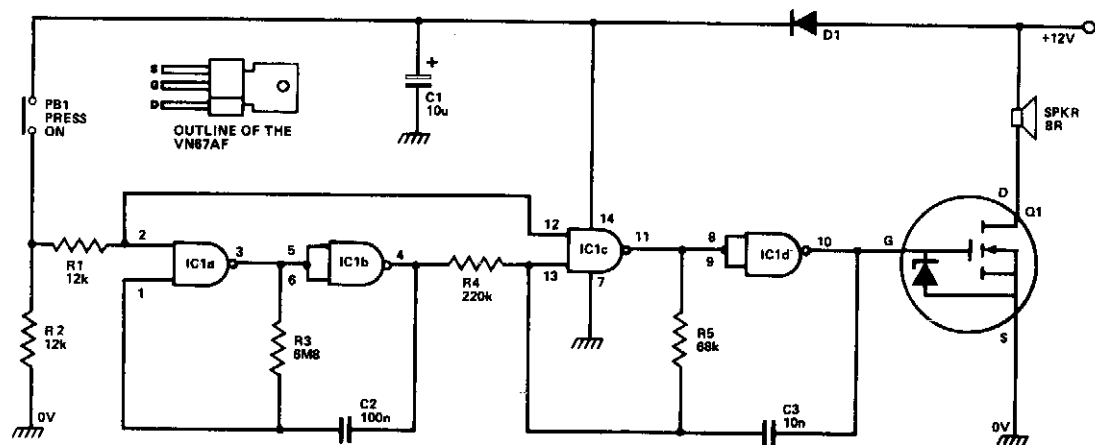
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 89-11

### Circuit Notes

Close the pushbutton switch and the circuit starts the siren up-shifting to a higher frequency. Release it and the tone slides down until S2 is closed again. Tone quality is adjusted by changing the 0.022  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor.

## HIGH POWER SIREN



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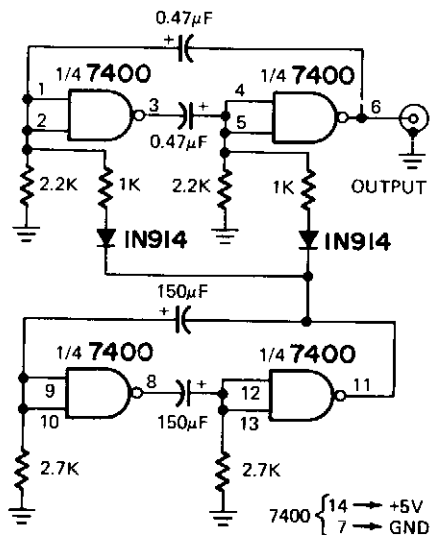
Fig. 89-12

NOTES:  
D1 IS 1N4001  
Q1 IS VN67AF  
IC1 IS CD4011B

### Circuit Notes

IC1a and IC1b are wired as a slow astable multivibrator and IC1c-IC1d are wired as a fast astable. Both are "gated" types, which can be turned on and off via PB1. The output of the slow astable modulates the frequency of the fast astable, and the output of the fast astable is fed to the external speaker via the Q1 VMOS power FET amplifier stage.

## "HEE-HAW" TWO-TONE SIREN



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Fig. 89-13

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses two gates of a 7400 IC cross-connected to form an astable multivibrator driven by the 1-pulse per second output of the digital clock IC. The hee-haw circuit has a low frequency astable modulator added to make a self-contained European-type siren. Tone and rate can be varied as desired by changing capacitor values. If the tone is too harsh, a simple R-C filter will remove the harmonic content—the multivibrator output is almost a square wave. With the resistor values shown, no start-up problems occur; but if the 2.2 k or 2.7 k resistors are changed too much, latch-up can be a problem.

### VARYING-FREQUENCY WARNING ALARM

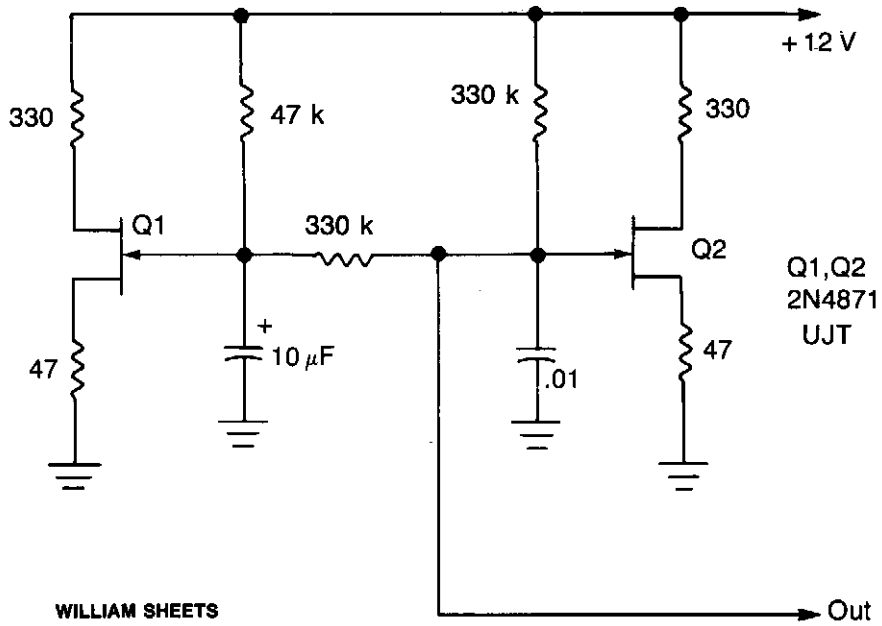


Fig. 89-14

#### Circuit Notes

The output frequency changes continuously. Low frequency oscillator (Q1) modulates high frequency oscillator Q2 and its associated timing capacitor.



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## Sound (Audio) Operated Circuits

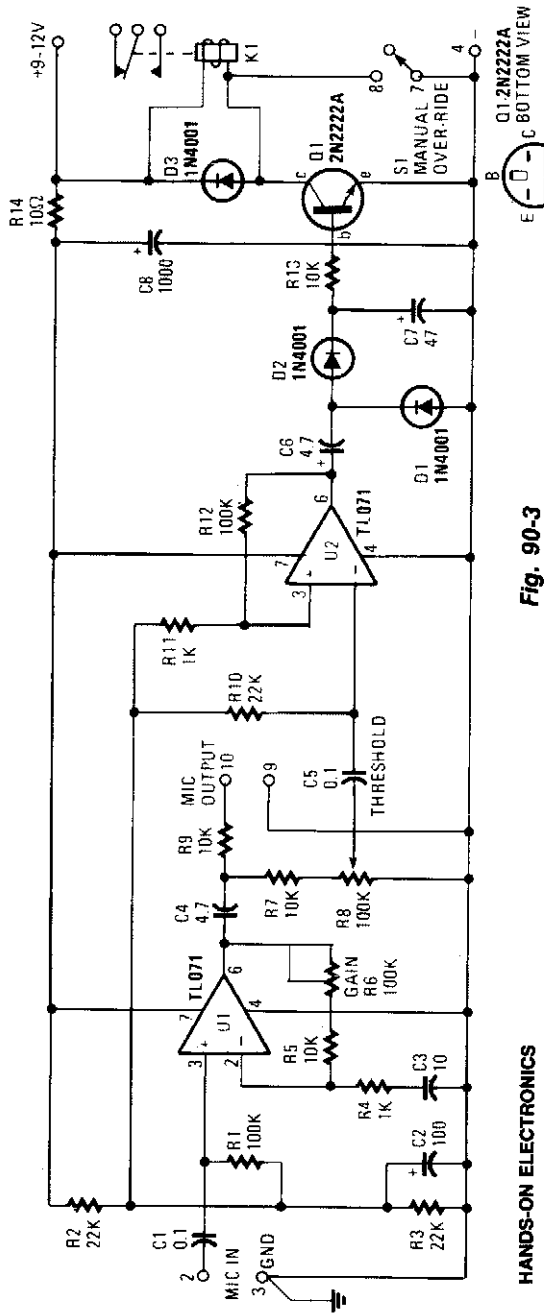
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Sound-Activated Switch  
Sound-Activated ac Switch  
VOX Box  
Color Organ  
Basic Color Organ



## VOX BOX



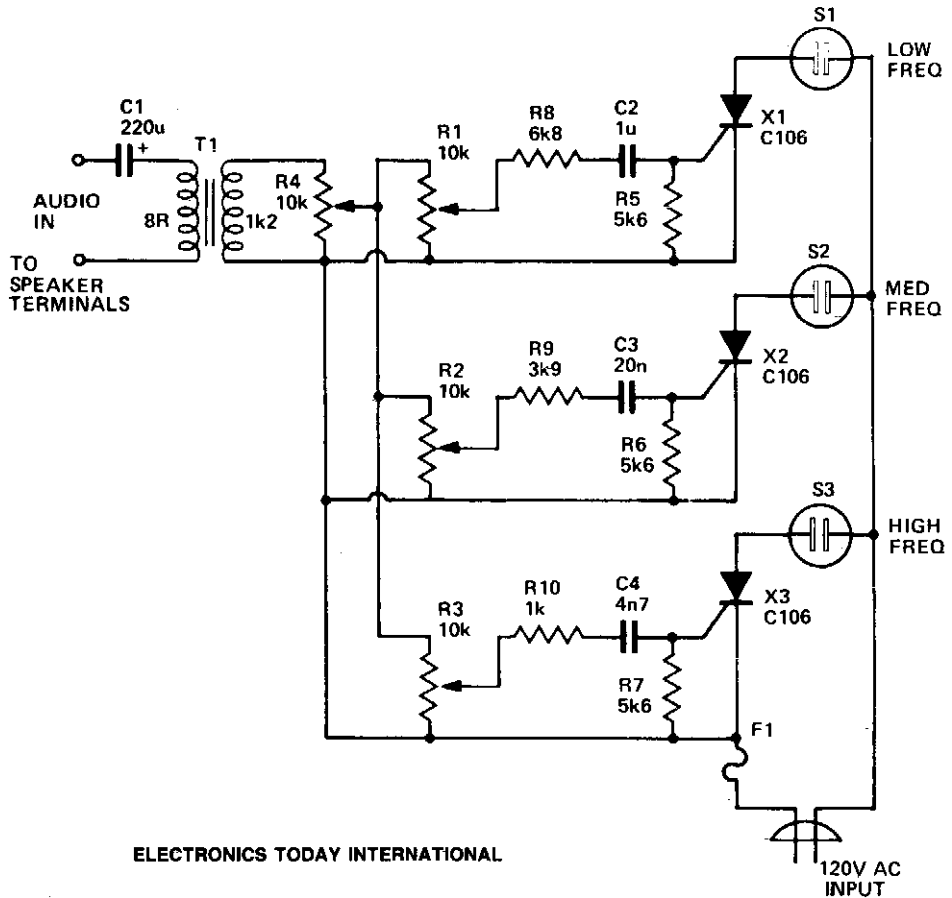
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 90-3

## Circuit Notes

The electronic circuit in the VOX Box consists of three parts: a microphone preamplifier, a Schmitt trigger, and a relay driver. Input signals (MIC INPUT terminals) to the microphone preamplifier (U1) are amplified and fed to a THRESHOLD control (R8). When the preselected threshold voltage level is exceeded, the output of the Schmitt trigger (U2) immediately goes high. The signal from U2 is rectified and the voltage developed across C7 turns on the relay energizer transistor (Q1). That transistor action passes pull-down current through the coil of relay K1. The changing of the relay SPDT contacts can be used to either make or break an external ac or dc circuit.

## COLOR ORGAN



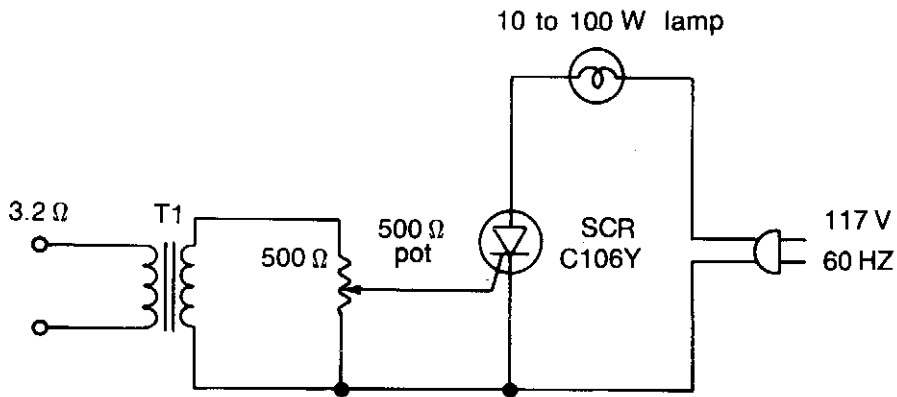
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**Fig. 90-4**

### Circuit Notes

Three lights are controlled by the three channels. One light will pulse in response to the bass, another illuminates with mid-range sounds, and the last lights for high notes. Four level controls allow adjustment of overall light level and each channel individually. Up to 200 watts per channel can be handled.

## BASIC COLOR ORGAN



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Fig. 90-5

### Circuit Notes

Transformer T1 can be any matching transistor type in the range of 500/500 to 2500/2500 ohms. No connections from the SCR or its components are connected to ground. For safety's sake, keep the 117-V line voltage from the amplifier connections—that is the reason for using T1. To adjust, set potentiometer R1 "off" and adjust the amplifier volume control for a normal listening level. Then adjust the potentiometer until the lamp starts to throb in step with the beat.

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## Sound Effect Circuits

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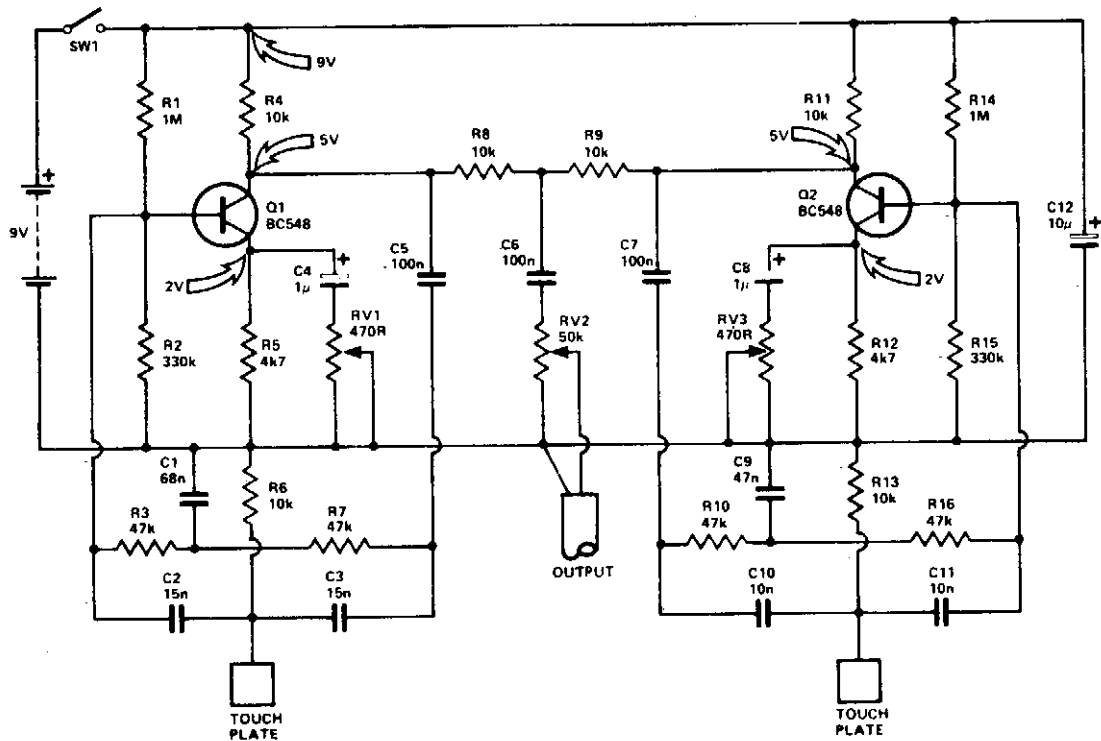
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Sound Effects Generator  
Electronic Bongos  
Train Chuffer  
Bird Chirp  
Steam Locomotive Whistle  
WAA-WAA Circuit

Unusual Fuzz  
Autodrum  
Twang-Twang Circuit  
Steam Train/Prop Plane  
Funk Box



## ELECTRONIC BONGOS



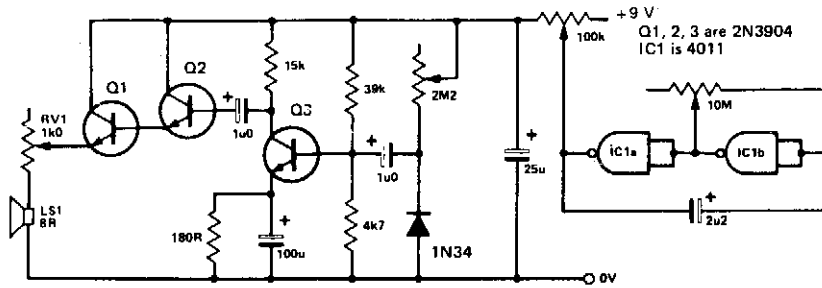
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### Circuit Notes

This circuit consists of twin-T sine-wave oscillators. Each oscillator has a filter in the feedback loop. If the loop gain is greater than unity, the circuit will oscillate. Gain is adjusted to be just less than unity. Touching the touch plate starts the oscillator, but the moment your finger is removed from the touch plate the oscillations will die away. The rate of decay is a function of circuit gain and controlled by RV1 (and RV3).



## TRAIN CHUFFER



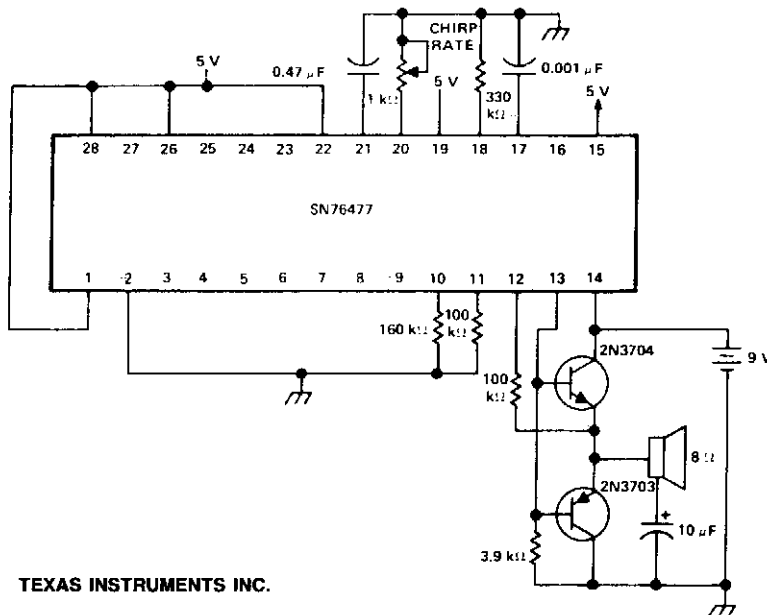
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Fig. 91-3

### Circuit Notes

The circuit consists of a white noise generator which only switches on with the high part of the square wave output from the clock circuit. The frequency of the clock is adjusted with the 10 M pot and the output voltage of the clock is adjusted by the 100 k pot (rate and volume of chuff respectively). The 2M2 pot controls the amount of noise produced and the 1 k pot on the speaker controls the pitch of the average noise.

## BIRD CHIRP



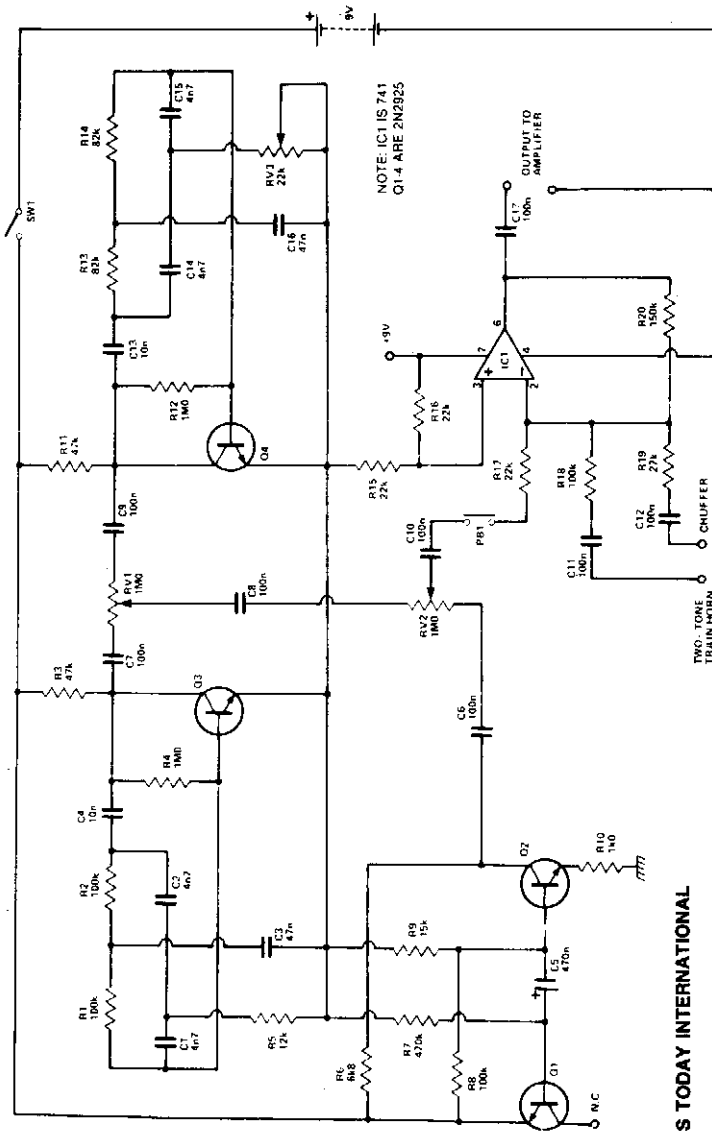
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Fig. 91-4

### Circuit Notes

For a barking dog, the capacitor at pin 17 is changed to 15 pF to increase the frequency of the VCO.

# STEAM LOCOMOTIVE WHISTLE



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## Circuit Notes

The waveform of a steam whistle is a complex combination of white noise and an audio frequency oscillation. The noise generator is a transistor (Q1) biased into zener mode. The audio frequency oscillation is a straightforward mixture of two similar (but not identical) sine waves, which after their addition produce a more complex waveshape. The sine wave generators are twin-t oscillators. Preset RV1 mixes the two sine waves so that an appropriate waveform is obtained. RV2 mixes this waveform with the white noise. Adjustment of all three presets will result in the required sound. Integrated circuit IC1 is an operational amplifier used as a simple mixer/amplifier which combines the steam whistle, chuffer, (generated elsewhere) and two-tone horn sounds into one, suitable for amplification by an external amplifier.

Fig. 91-5

### WAA-WAA CIRCUIT

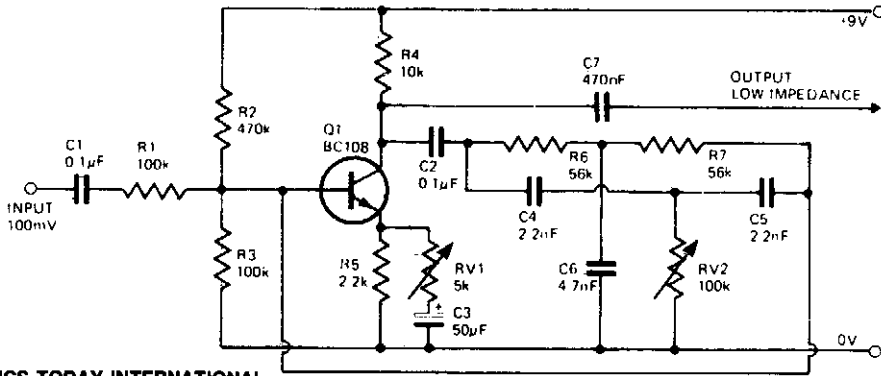


Fig. 91-6

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#### Circuit Notes

The waa-waa effect is achieved as certain frequencies are amplified more than others. A phase shift RC oscillator makes up the basic circuit. Negative feedback is obtained by feeding part of the signal back to the base. When adjusting initially, RV1 is turned to minimum. RV2 is adjusted to a point at which an audible whistle appears indicating oscillation. RV1 is then adjusted till the oscillation just disappears. It should be possible to set RV2 to any value without any oscillation, this should also be achieved with the minimum possible value of RV1.

### UNUSUAL FUZZ

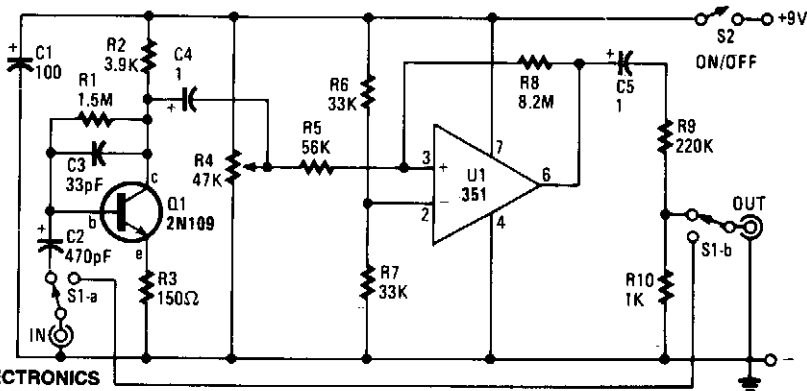


Fig. 91-7

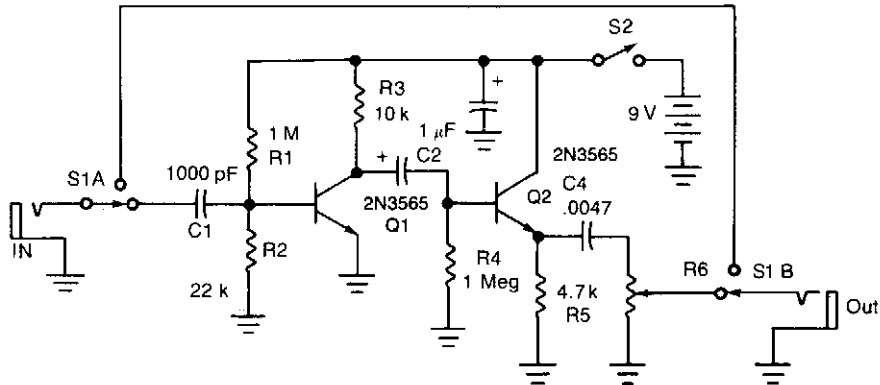
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

#### Circuit Notes

It seems that guitar fuzz boxes have been around since the beginning of rock, and have seen little improvement over the years. This one is somewhat different because rather than simply distorting the sound, it also pulses in step with the peaks of the waveform from the pickup because of the Schmitt trigger op amp circuit. Capacitor C2 requires some explanation. It should normally be a 1- or 2-µF electrolytic capacitor. However, we show the value as 470 pF because it's recommended as an experimental value giving far out effects.



### TWANG-TWANG CIRCUIT



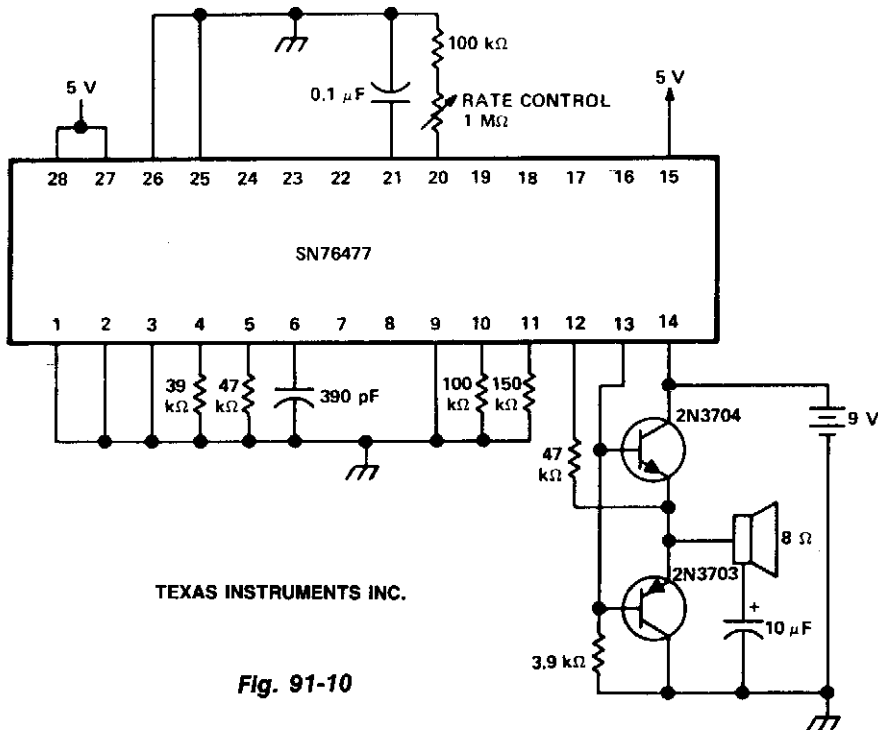
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Fig. 91-9

#### Circuit Notes

Twang is a guitar sound that more or less approximates a banjo or mandolin. The circuit produces unusual sounds from an ordinary electric guitar by cutting the bass, severely distorting the midband and highs, and then amplifying the distortion. S1 cuts the effect in and out, S2 turns the unit on and off.

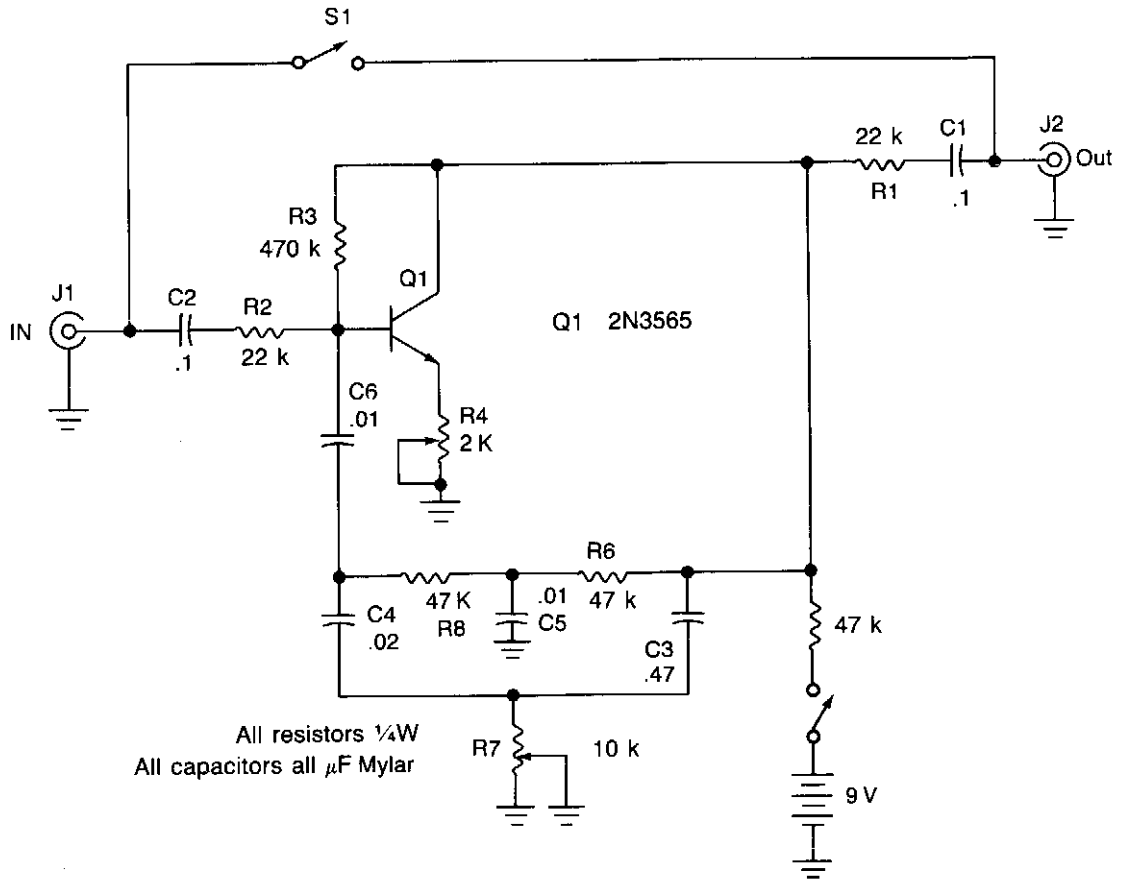
### STEAM TRAIN/PROP PLANE



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Fig. 91-10

## FUNK BOX



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Fig. 91-11

### Circuit Notes

Adjusting potentiometer R7 adds extra twang from way down low to way up high. To set the unit, adjust potentiometer R4 until you hear a whistle (oscillation); then back off R4 until the oscillation just ceases. The effect can be varied from bass to treble by R7.

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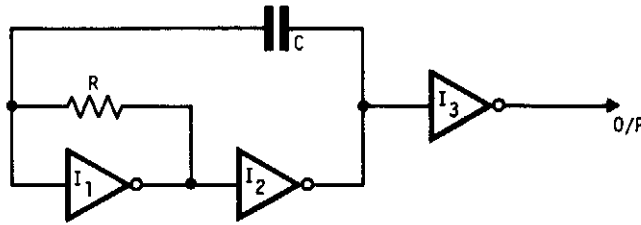
## Square-Wave Generators

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| Low Frequency TTL Oscillator                 | Astable Multivibrator                      |
| Square-Wave Generator Using a 555 Timer      | Two-MHz Square-Wave Generator Uses Two TTL |
| Oscillator with Frequency Doubled Output     | Gates                                      |
| CMOS 555 Astable Generates True Rail-to-Rail | Phase Tracking Three-Phase Generator       |
| Square Waves                                 | Line Frequency Square-Wave Generator       |
| Square-Wave Oscillator                       | Three Phase Square-Wave Output Generator   |

## LOW FREQUENCY TTL OSCILLATOR



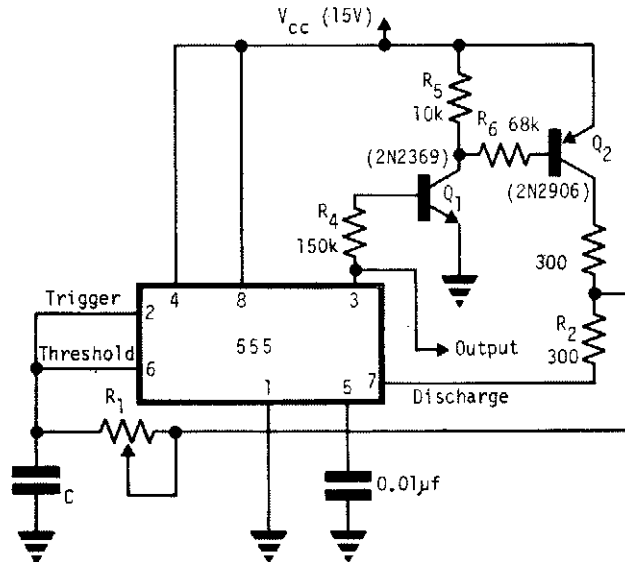
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Fig. 92-1

### Circuit Notes

This oscillator uses standard inverters, one resistor and one capacitor, and has no minimum operating frequency. R and C must be chosen such that currents into the gates are below recommended operating limits and that leakage current into the gates and into C are small in comparison with the current in R also the output should be buffered (I3) to prevent variations in load affecting frequency. This circuit may also be used to square up slowly changing logic levels by use of multi input gates (NANDS, NORS Etc).

## SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR USING A 555 TIMER



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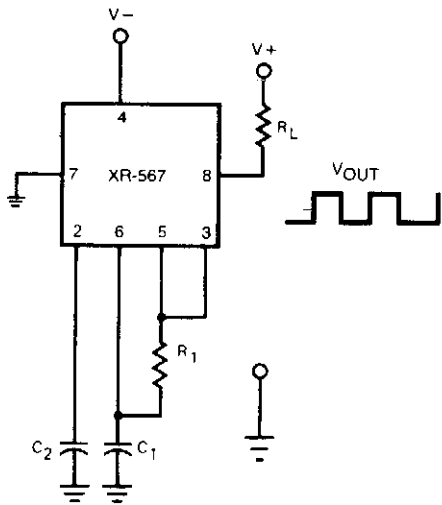
Fig. 92-2

### Circuit Notes

A single timing resistor ensures that the output is a square (50% duty cycle) wave at all frequency settings.



## OSCILLATOR WITH FREQUENCY DOUBLED OUTPUT



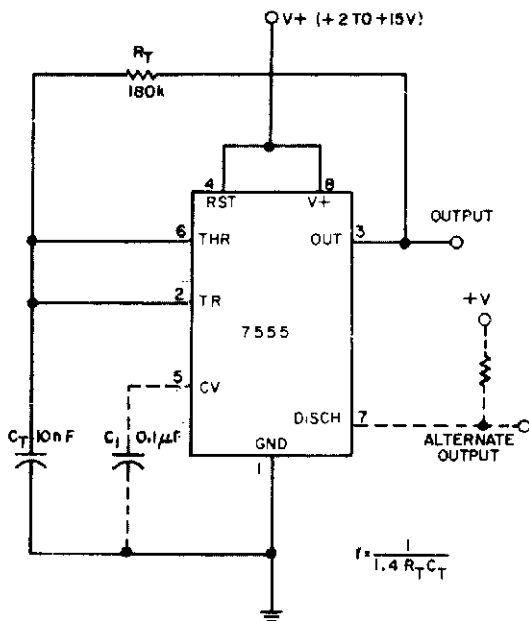
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Fig. 92-3

### Circuit Notes

The current-controlled oscillator frequency can be doubled by applying a portion of the square-wave output at pin 5 back to the input at pin 3, as shown. In this manner, the quadrature detector functions as a frequency doubler and produces an output of  $2 f_0$  at pin 8.

## CMOS 555 ASTABLE GENERATES TRUE RAIL-TO-RAIL SQUARE WAVES



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Fig. 92-4

### Circuit Notes

A CMOS timer generates true square waves because, unlike the bipolar 555, its output swings from rail to rail. The component values shown give a frequency of about 400 Hz.

## SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

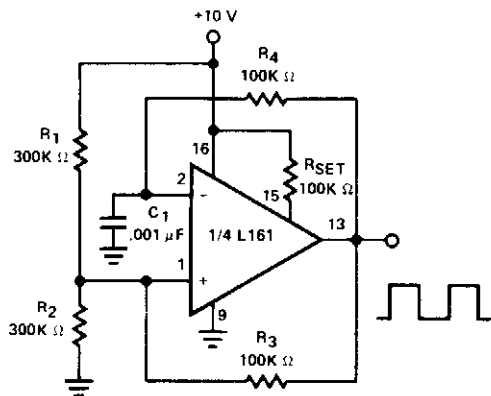


Fig. 92-5

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## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

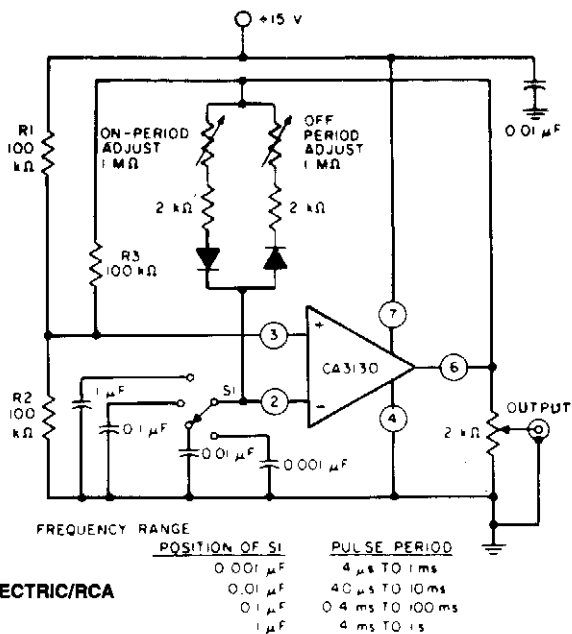


Fig. 92-6

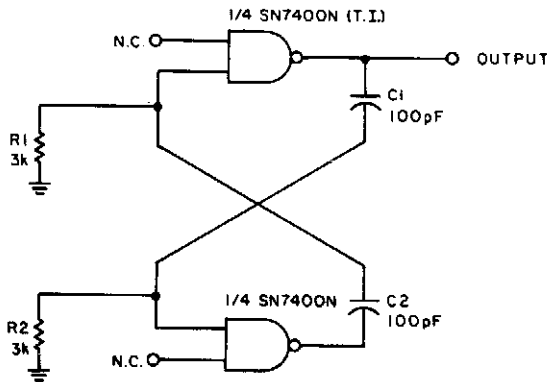
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### Circuit Notes

The circuit with independent control of "ON" and "OFF" periods uses the CA3130 BiMOS op amp for filters, oscillators, and long-duration timers. With input current at 50 pA, oscillators can utilize large-resistor/small-capacitor combinations without loading effects.

## TWO-MHz SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR USES TWO TTL GATES

N.C. = NO CONNECTION



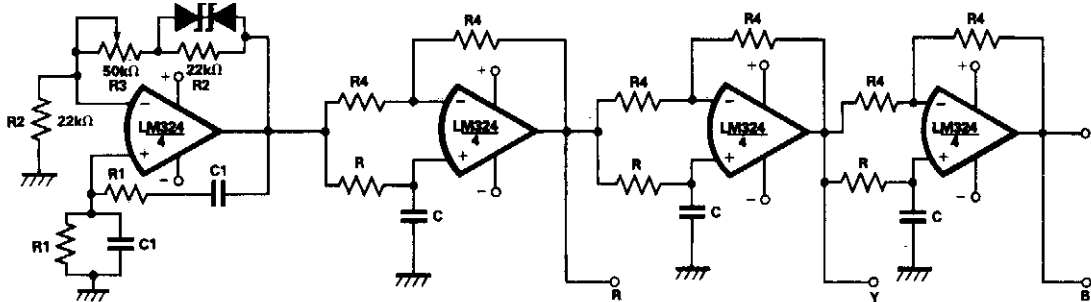
### Circuit Notes

With the values shown the circuit generates a 2-MHz symmetrical square wave. Changing capacitors C1 and C2 to 0.01  $\mu\text{F}$  results in a frequency of 500 Hz. For the particular integrated circuits and power supply voltages (5.0 V), the reliable operating range of R1 = R2 is 2 k ohm to 4 k ohm.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 92-7

## PHASE TRACKING THREE-PHASE GENERATOR



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Fig. 92-8

### Circuit Notes

Using a single chip LM324 can, with active R-C networks, reduce the size of a 3-phase waveform generator, and prove useful in compact and stable 3-phase inverters. One quarter of an LM324 is used as a Wien bridge oscillator generating a pure sinusoidal waveform while the remaining parts of the LM324 are used as three 120° fixed phase shifters. Initially potentiometer R3 should be varied to adjust the loop gain of the oscillator in order to start the oscillator.

## LINE FREQUENCY SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

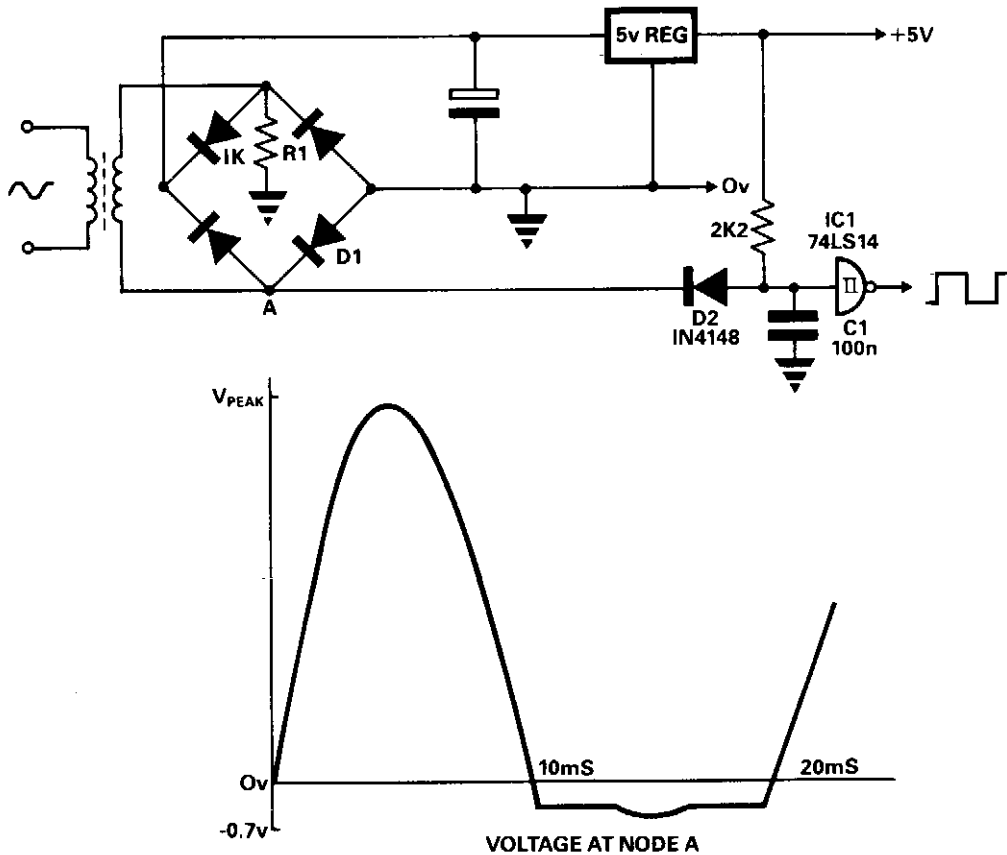


Fig. 92-9

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### Circuit Notes

With only three components and a buffer, a line frequency square wave having a 1:1 duty cycle may be derived from the power supply. During the alternate half-cycle, however, A is effectively clamped to  $-0.7\text{ V}$  by D1 in the bridge which offsets the forward voltage across D2 giving an input to IC1 of approximately 0 V. When A rises above  $+5\text{ V}$ , D2 is reverse biased and remains at  $+5\text{ V}$ . R1 is needed to load the transformer secondary maintaining a distortion-free waveform at A during the time the diode bridge is not conducting. C1 although not essential may be required to remove transients.

### THREE PHASE SQUARE-WAVE OUTPUT GENERATOR

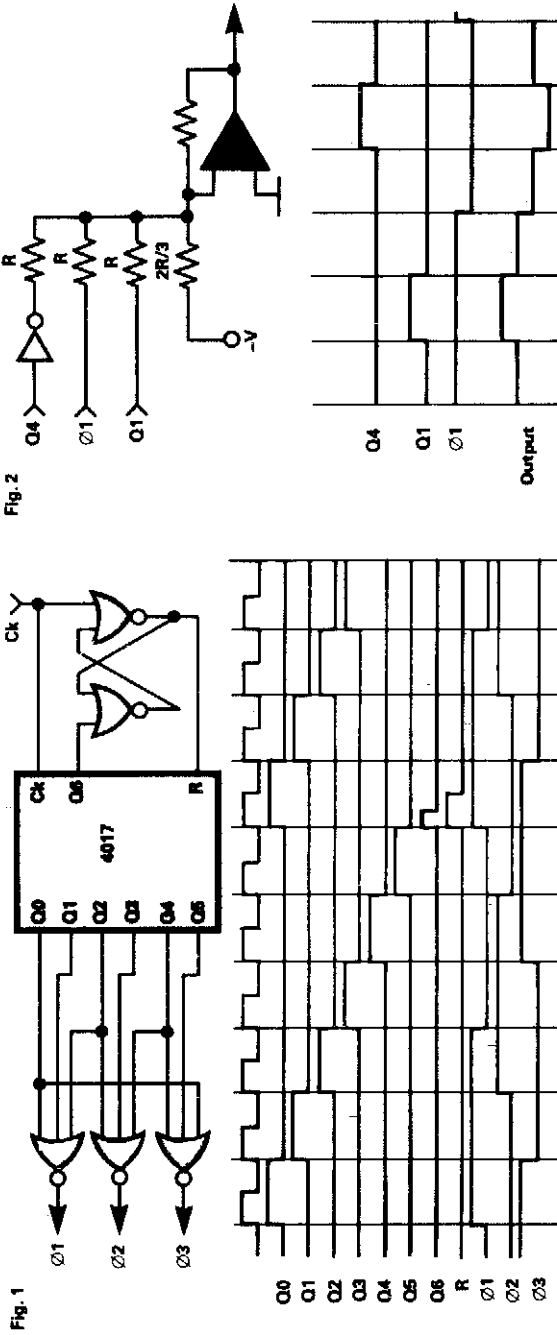


Fig. 92-10

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit gives a 3 phase square-wave output for a variable speed motor drive. Operation is straightforward, the 4017 counter is synchronously reset after six clock inputs. The six outputs are combined to give the required waveforms. It is interesting to note that although NOR gates are shown, OR gates will give effectively the same result. The circuit can be extended as shown in Fig. 2 to give pseudo-sine waves if that is required, but that will diminish the simplicity of the circuit.

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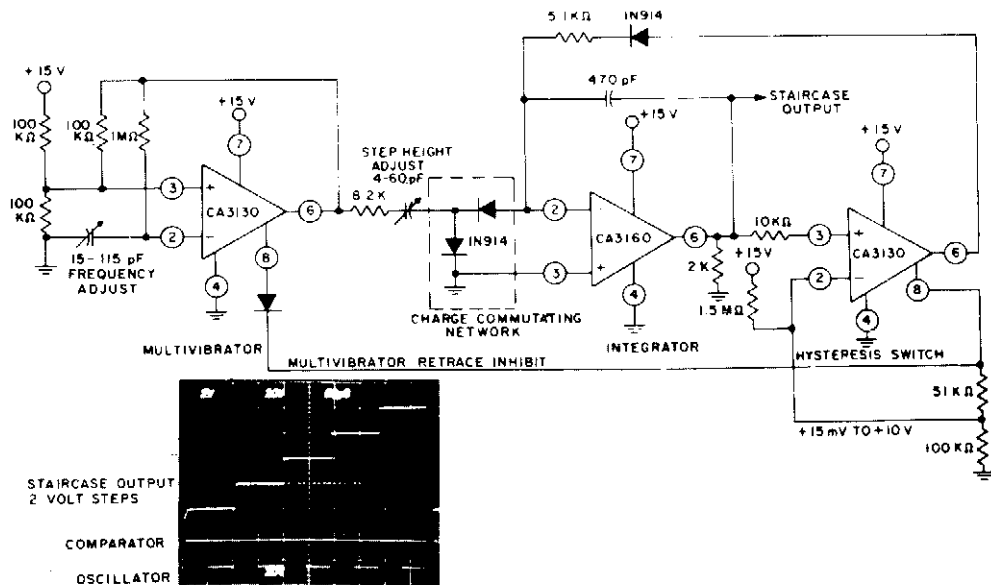
## **Staircase Generator Circuits**

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Staircase Generator  
Staircase Generator II

## STAIRCASE GENERATOR

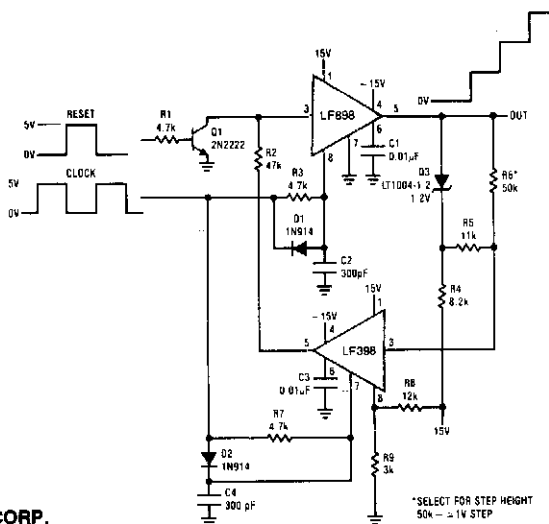


**Fig. 93-1**

### Circuit Notes

The circuit uses three BiMOS op amps. Two CA3130's are used, one as a multivibrator and the other as a hysteresis switch. The third amplifier, a CA3160, is used as a linear staircase generator.

## STAIRCASE GENERATOR II



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**Fig. 93-2**

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## Stereo Balance Circuits

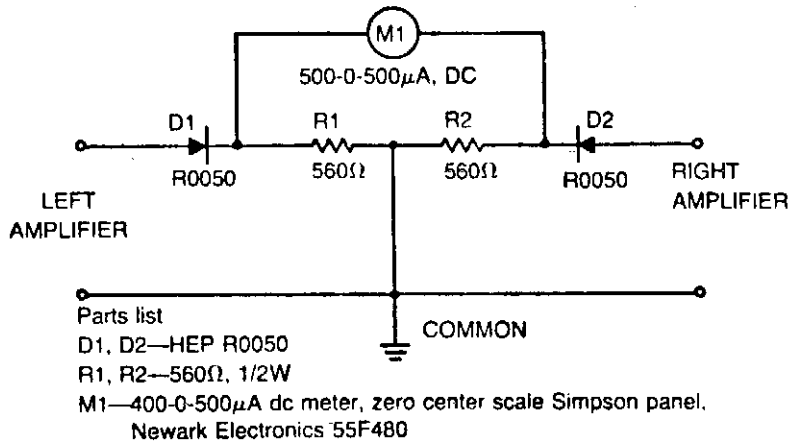
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Stereo Balance Tester  
Stereo Balance Meter



## STEREO BALANCE TESTER



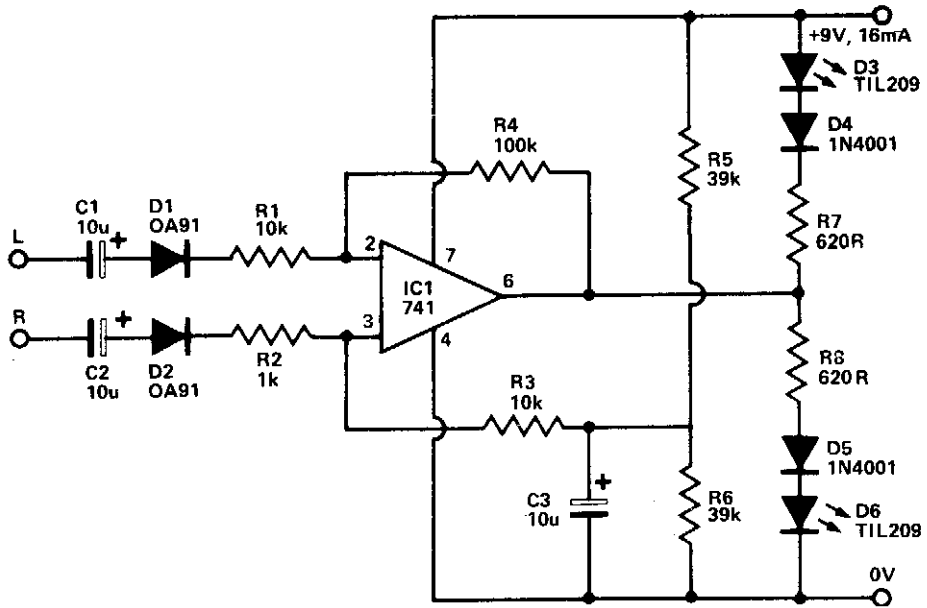
TAB BOOKS INC.

Fig. 94-1

### Circuit Notes

The meter will show volume and tone control balance between left and right stereo amplifiers. For maximum convenience the meter is a zero-center type. Resistors are five percent or better and the diodes a matched pair. Optimum stereo level and phase balance occurs for matched speakers when the meter indicates zero. If the meter indicates either side of zero, the levels are not matched or the wires are incorrectly phased. Check phasing by making certain the meter leads are connected to the amplifier hot terminals and the common leads go to ground.

## STEREO BALANCE METER



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Fig. 94-2

### Circuit Notes

To use the indicator, switch the amplifier to mono mode and adjust the balance control until both LEDs are equally illuminated. The amplifier is now in perfect stereo mode balance.

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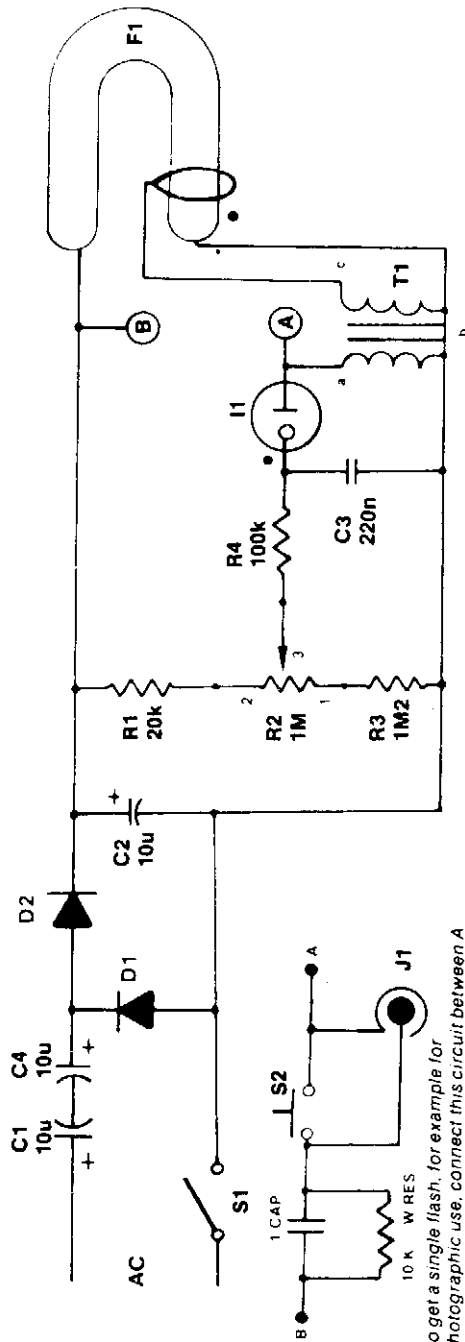
## Strobe Circuits

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Simple Strobe  
Safety Flare  
Disco-Strobe Light

## SIMPLE STROBE



To get a single flash, for example for photographic use, connect this circuit between A and B in the main circuit. With R2 in the position for slowest flash rate (ie no flashes!) S2 will provide the desired single flash. Alternatively J1 can be used to allow the camera's flash contacts to trigger the strobe.

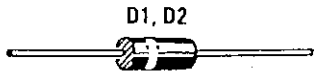
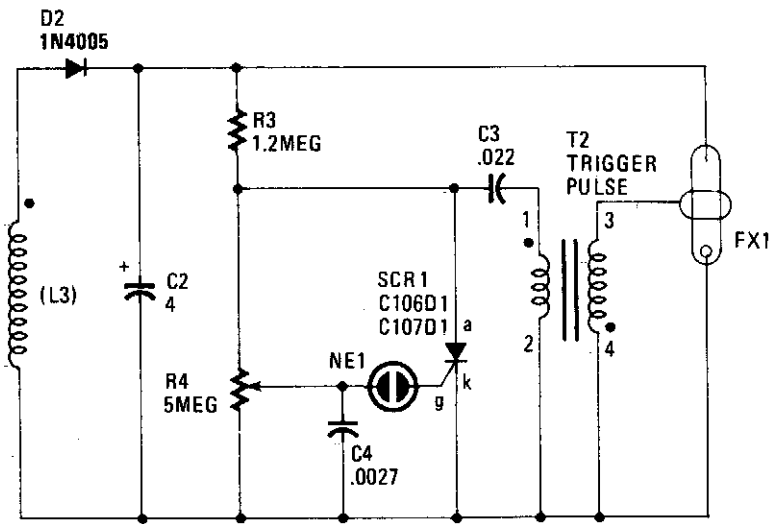
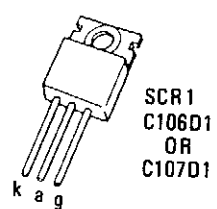
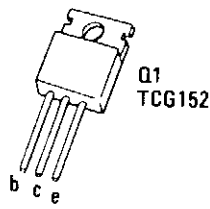
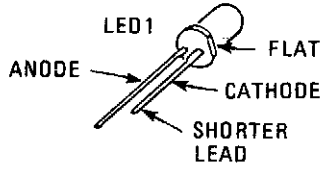
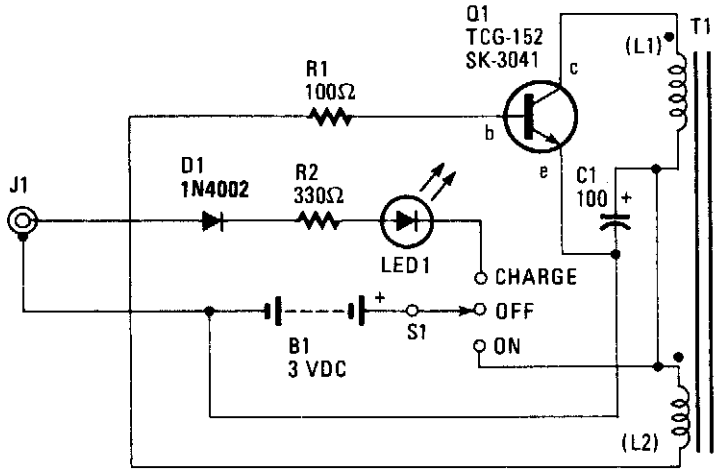
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Fig. 95-1

## Circuit Notes

Initially the neon and xenon lamps are not conducting and act like a very high (almost infinite) resistance. Capacitors C1 and C4 in conjunction with D1 and D2 form a voltage doubler circuit, which can charge C2 up to about 300 Vdc after several ac cycles. Voltage increases as current is supplied through R1 and R2. Neon bulb I1 will all of a sudden start to conduct when the voltage across C3 reaches I1's ionization potential. While conducting, the resistance of the bulb will be relative low. Due to this sudden conduction, a pulse of current will pass through the primary of T1. The turns ratio is such that about 400 V will be developed at the secondary. The xenon tube is similar to the neon bulb in that it produces light when the gas ionizes and conducts. However, it is designed so that an external signal (the 4 kV on the metal ring around the tube) ionizes the gas and initiates the conduction. When F1 conducts, it discharges C2. At this point, the whole cycle starts over again. The purpose of R2 is to vary the rate at which C3 charges, and hence the repetition rate of the strobe.

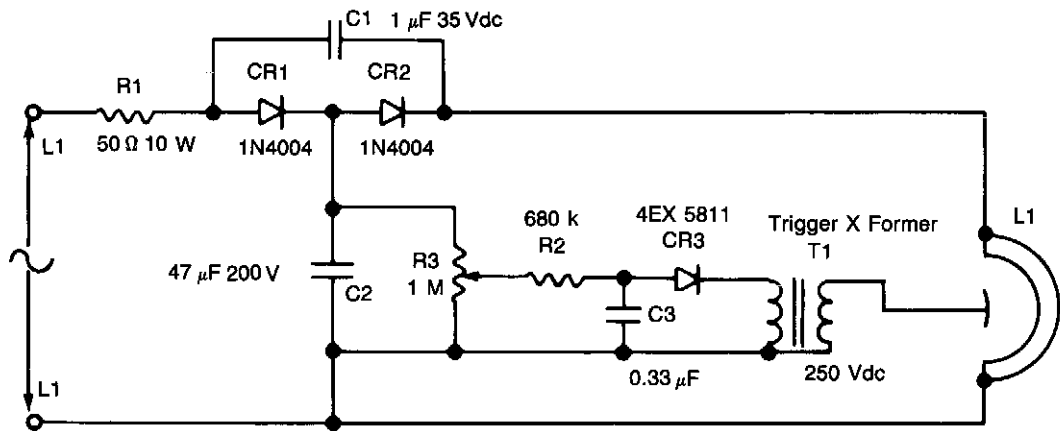
### SAFETY FLARE



### **Circuit Notes**

When S1 is on, power is applied to an oscillator composed of Q1, R1, C1, L1, and L2. Coil L1 is the primary winding of T1, and L2 is the feedback winding. When Q1 turns on, its collector current saturates T1's ferrite core. That, in turn, removes the base drive to Q1 through L2. Transistor Q1 then turns off. As the field around L1 and L2 decays, Q1 will eventually turn on again, and the cycle repeats over, and over. Transformer T1 is a step-up, ferrite-core, potted-type unit whose secondary-winding (L3) output is rectified by D2 and filtered by C2. That capacitor charges up to around 250 to 300 volts, which is applied to the resistor divider composed of R3 and R4, along with the flash tube FX1. Capacitors C3 and C4 will charge up to around 200 and 100 volts, through R3 and R4, respectively. Flash rate is adjustable via R4. When the charge on C4 gets to around 100 volts, neon lamp NE1 fires discharging C4 into the gate circuit of silicon control rectifier SCR1. The SCR1 turns on discharging C3 into the primary winding of trigger-pulse transformer T2. Transformer T2 is another step-up, pulse-type unit providing an output of around 4 kW across transformer T2's secondary winding. The xenon gas inside FX1 is ionized and a bright flash is emitted. Finally, C3 quickly discharges through L4, and the cycle repeats over, and over.

### DISCO-STROBE LIGHT



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 95-3

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit uses a voltage doubler CR1 and CR2 to obtain about 280 V dc across C1. C2 and R3 form a voltage divider to obtain a dc voltage to charge C3 thru R2. When CR3 fires, a high voltage is generated in T1, firing L1.

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## Switch Circuits

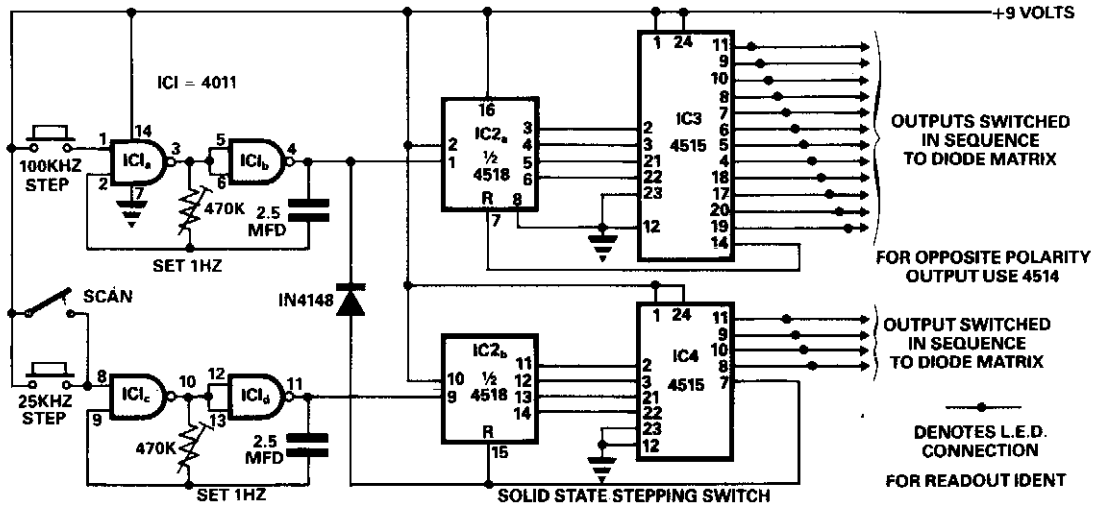
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Solid State Stepping Switch  
AC-Static SPDT Switch



### SOLID STATE STEPPING SWITCH



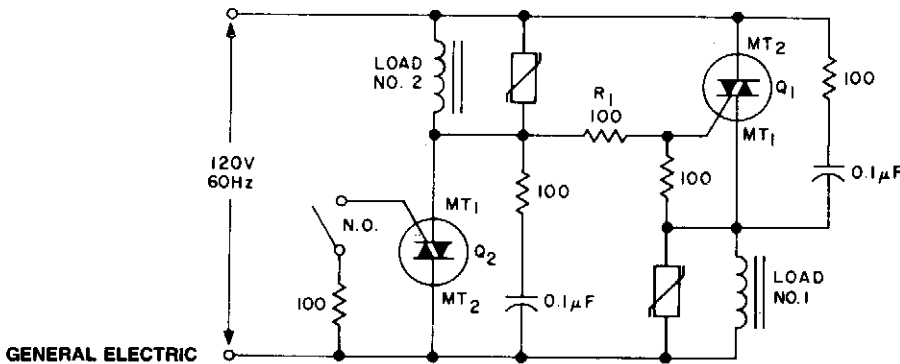
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Fig. 96-1

#### Circuit Notes

This circuit was designed to make switching of a 48-channel mobile transceiver safe to operate while mobile. The oscillators allow for single-stepping or a scanning function. The scan facility allows for stepping through all 48 channels to check for occupancy or otherwise, and each output is indicated with an LED and labeled accordingly, so at-a-glance indication is possible. With full scope of this circuit it is possible to scan 256 channels and by adding more 4 to 16 line encoders etc. you could switch to any required number.

### AC-STATIC SPDT SWITCH



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 96-2

#### Circuit Notes

An SPDT solid state relay is shown. When voltage is applied Q1 will turn on, activating load #1, because the full line voltage appears across Q2, supplying gate current through R1. When S1 is closed, Q2 turns on removing the gate drive from Q1 and activating load #2.

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## Tape Recorder Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Tape Recorder Interface  
Tape Recorder Position Indicator/Controller

## TAPE RECORDER INTERFACE

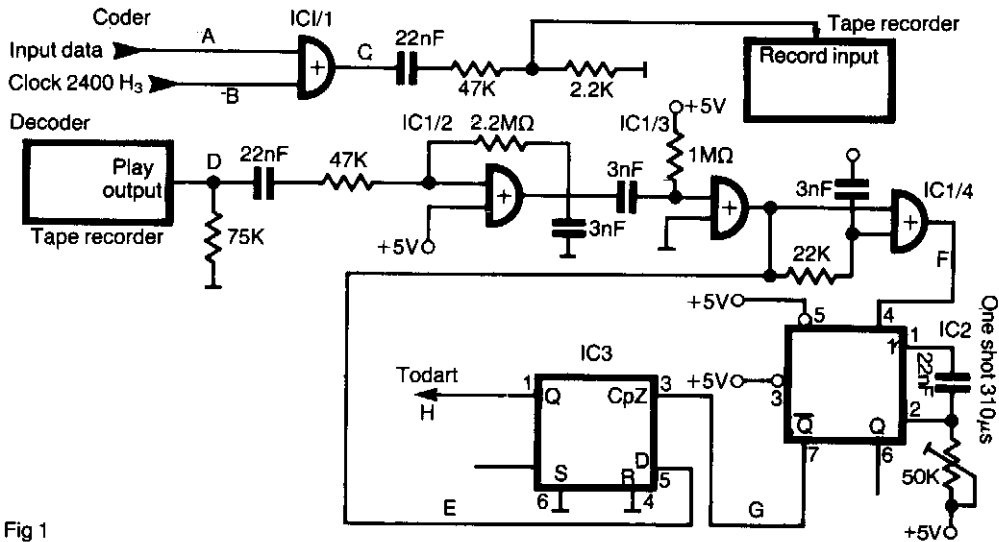


Fig 1

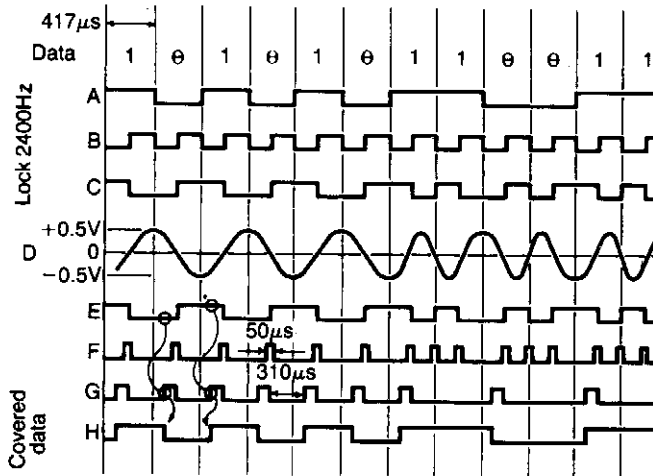


Fig 2

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Fig. 97-1

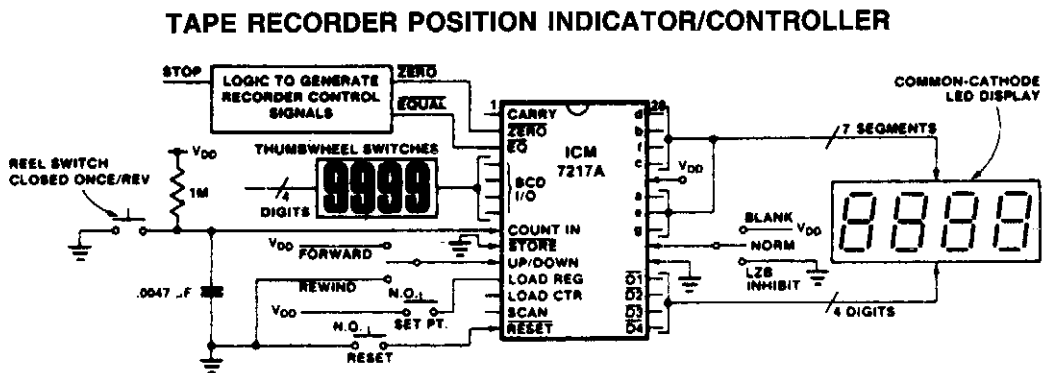
### Circuit Notes

The interface allows data to be saved on an ordinary tape recorder at a speed of 2400 bit/s.

The serial stream of data Fig. 1 (A) is coded with a clock of 2400 Hz (B), by means of XOR gate IC 1/1. Logical "high" and "low" appear as shown in Fig. 2 (C). These impulses are lowered in amplitude and feed into the record input of a low cost tape recorder.

## TAPE RECORDER INTERFACE, Continued.

During the playback, pulses (D) are amplified with CMOS gate IC 1/2 connected as a linear amplifier, and providing a TTL level signal shown in (E). On both positive and negative transitions IC 1/4 forms short pulses as shown in (F) (approx. 50  $\mu$ s) that triggers one shot IC2. A monostable one shot pulse width is adjusted to be  $\frac{3}{4}$  of bit length (310  $\mu$ s). A change from "high" to "low" in a coded stream generates a "low" pulse width of one bit cell. The same is for change from "low" to "high" that generates a "high" pulse of the same width. During this pulse one shot latches the state of line E in D type flip-flop IC3 (G). When a stream consists of multiple "ones" or "zeros," the one shot is retriggered before it comes to the end of the quasistable state and the state of the flip-flop remains unchanged. The original data stream is available at the output of the flip-flop (H). Z80 the DUART that receives these pulses is programmed so that the receiver clock is 16 times the data rate (38.4 kHz).



### Circuit Notes

This circuit is representative of the many applications of up/down counting in monitoring dimensional position. In the tape recorder application, the LOAD REGISTER, EQUAL, and ZERO outputs are used to control the recorder. To make the recorder stop at a particular point on the tape, the register can be set with the stop at a particular point on the tape, the register can be set with the stop point and the EQUAL output used to stop the recorder either on fast forward, play or rewind.

To make the recorder stop before the tape comes free of the reel on rewind, a leader should be used. Resetting the counter at the starting point of the tape, a few feet from the end of the leader, allows the ZERO output to be used to stop the recorder on rewind, leaving the leader on the reel. The 1 M ohm resistor and .0047  $\mu$ F capacitor on the COUNT INPUT provide a time constant of about 5 ms to debounce the reel switch. The Schmitt trigger on the COUNT INPUT of the ICM7217 squares up the signal before applying it to the counter. This technique may be used to debounce switchclosure inputs in other applications.

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# Telephone-Related Circuits

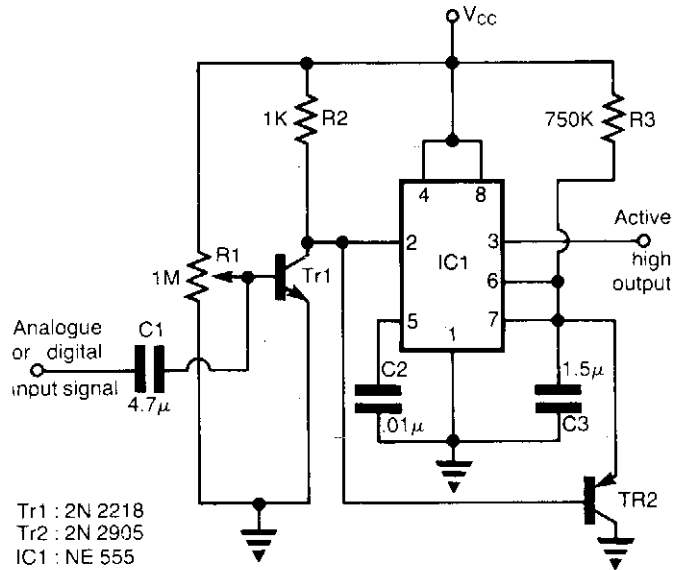
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Speech Activity Detector for Telephone Lines  
Scramble Phone  
Musical Telephone Ringer  
Dual Tone Decoding  
Automatic Telephone Recording Device  
Telephone Ringing Detector, Frequency and Volume Controlled  
Music on Hold  
Circuit Monitors Blinking Phone Lights  
Phone Light  
High Isolation Telephone Ringer

Remote Telephone Monitor  
Plug-In Remote Telephone Ringer  
Telephone Hold Button  
Telephone Blinker  
Telephone "In Use" Indicator  
Tone Ringer  
Tone Ringer II  
Speakerphone  
Speech Network  
Programmable Multi-Tone Telephone Ringer

## SPEECH ACTIVITY DETECTOR FOR TELEPHONE LINES



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Fig. 98-1

### Circuit Notes

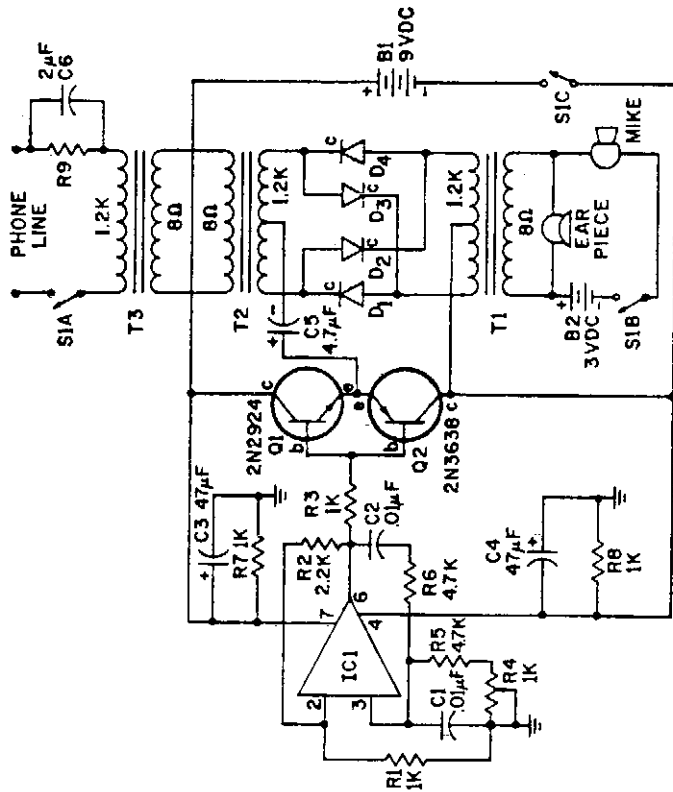
The circuit can be used in telephone lines for speech activity detection purposes. This detection is very useful in the case of half-duplex conversation between two stations, in the case of simultaneous transmission of voice and data over the same pair of cables by the method of interspersed data on voice traffic, and also in echo suppressor devices. The circuit consists of a class-A amplifier in order to amplify the weak analog signals (in the range 25-400 mW of an analog telephone line).

The IC1 is connected as a retriggerable monostable multivibrator with the Tr2 discharging the timing capacitor C3, if the pulse train reaches the trigger input 2 of IC1 with period less than the time:

$$T_{\text{high}} = 1.1 (R3 C3)$$

The output 3 of IC1 is active ON when an analog or digital signal is presented at the input and it drops to low level,  $T_{\text{high}}$  seconds after the input signal has ceased to exist.

## SCRAMBLE PHONE



## Circuit Notes

IC-1 and the associated circuitry form a stable audio tone generator that feeds a buffer amplifier, Q1 and Q2. The tone output is taken from the emitters of the transistor pair to supply a carrier voltage for a balanced modulator made up of four diodes—D1 through D4—and T1 and T2. If the two transformers and the four diodes are perfectly matched (which is almost impossible to achieve and not necessary in any case) no carrier will appear at the input or output of T1 or T2. In a practical circuit, a small amount of unbalance will occur and produce a low-level carrier tone at the input and output of the balanced modulator. A telephone carbon mike and earpiece are connected to the low impedance winding of T1, with a three volt battery supplying the necessary mike current. Trim potentiometer R4 is used to make a fine frequency adjustment of the oscillator so that two scrambler units may be synchronized to the same carrier frequency. Rg limits line current to 25 mA.

B1—9-volt battery, Eveready 216 or equiv.

B2—3-volt battery, two AA penlight cells in series

C1, C2—0.01 µF polystyrene capacitor, 100 VDC or better

C3, C4—47 µF electrolytic capacitor, 25 VDC or better

C5—4.7 µF electrolytic capacitor, 25 VDC or better

C6—2 µF paper or mylar capacitor, 50 VDC or better

D1 to D4—Diode, IN914, HEP-156

IC1—Integrated circuit, Signetics N5741K or equiv.

Q1—NPN transistor, 2N2924, HEP-724

Q2—PNP transistor, 2N3638, HEP-716

R1, R3, R7, R8—1000-ohm, ½-watt resistor

R2—2,200-ohm ½-watt resistor

R4—1000-ohm potentiometer

R5, R6—4,700-ohm, ½-watt resistor

R9—Limit line current to 25mA (see text)

S1A, S1B, S1C—Phone hook switch (see text)

T1 to T3—Small transistor audio transformer; 8-ohm primary, 1,200-ohm center taped secondary.

Misc.—Surplus telephone (see Lafayette, Radio Shack, EDI, BA catalogs), battery holders, hardware, knob, wire, solder, etc.

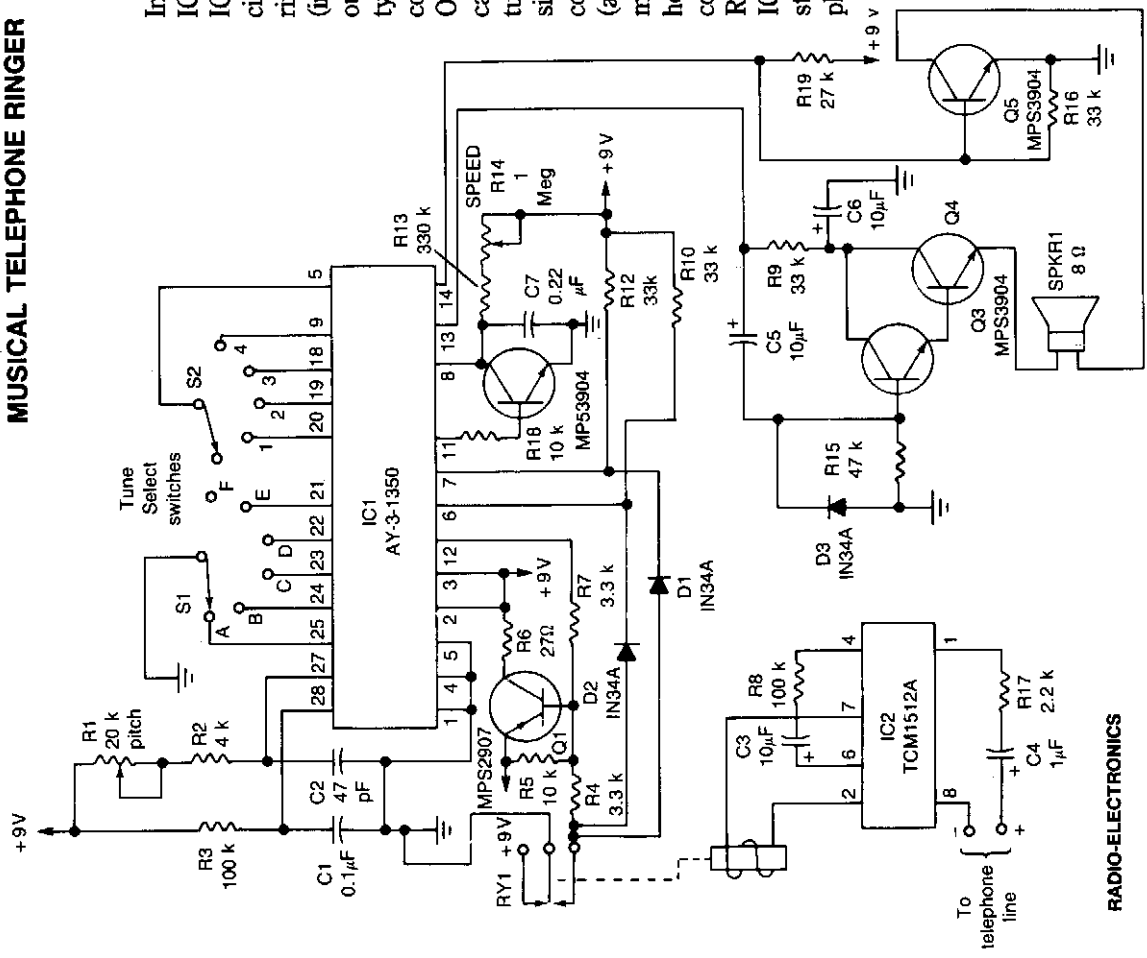
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Fig. 98-2

## MUSICAL TELEPHONE RINGER

### Circuit Notes

The heart of the circuit is IC1, General Instrument's AY-3-1350 melody-synthesizer IC. IC2 is a TCM1512 telephone ring detector IC that is powered by the telephone line. The IC's operation begins when IC2 senses a ring pulse on the telephone line. The detector (internally) rectifies the ring signal and then outputs a voltage to relay RY1 (an SPST reed-type relay with 5 volt contacts), causing its contacts to close. That pulls pin 12 (the ON/OFF control) of IC1 low (logic '0'), causing it to output a signal—the selected tune—to transistor amplifier Q2. The amplified signal is then fed to the speaker. The melody continues to play either until the tune is finished (at which time IC1 returns to the standby mode), or until someone takes the phone off the hook. Taking the phone off the hook discontinues the ring pulses to IC2, which opens RY1. When the relay contacts open, pin 12 of IC1 goes high, returning the circuit to the standby mode to wait for the next incoming phone call.



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Fig. 98-3



## DUAL TONE DECODING

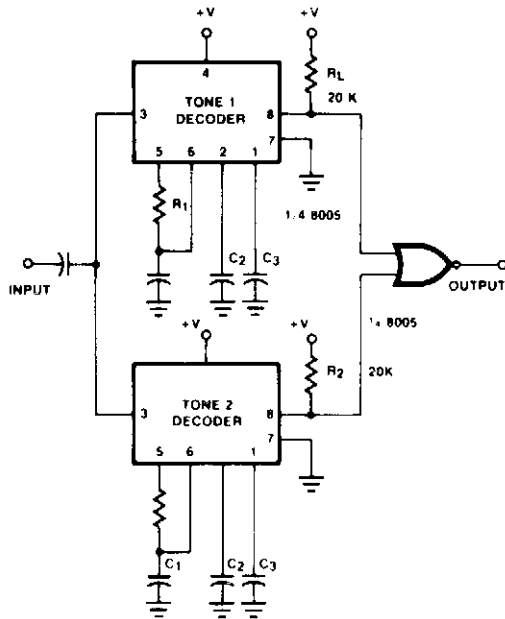


Figure 1A. Detection of Two Simultaneous or Sequential Tones

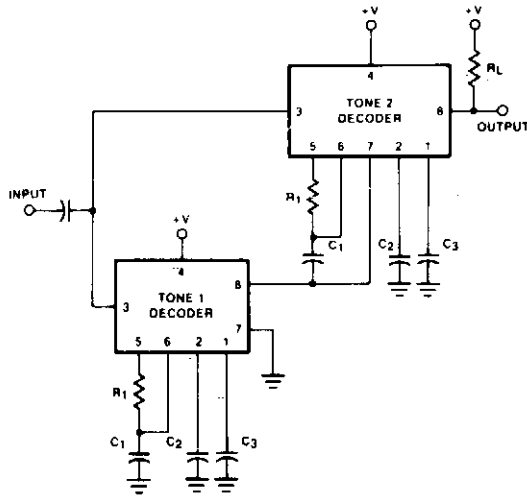


Figure 1C

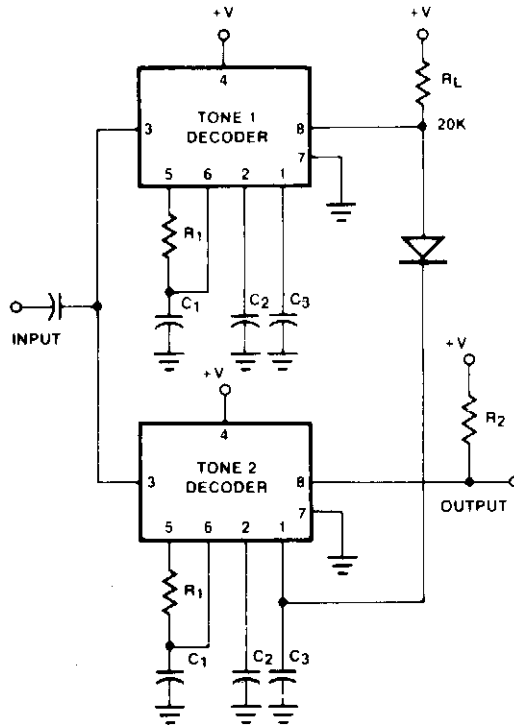


Figure 1B

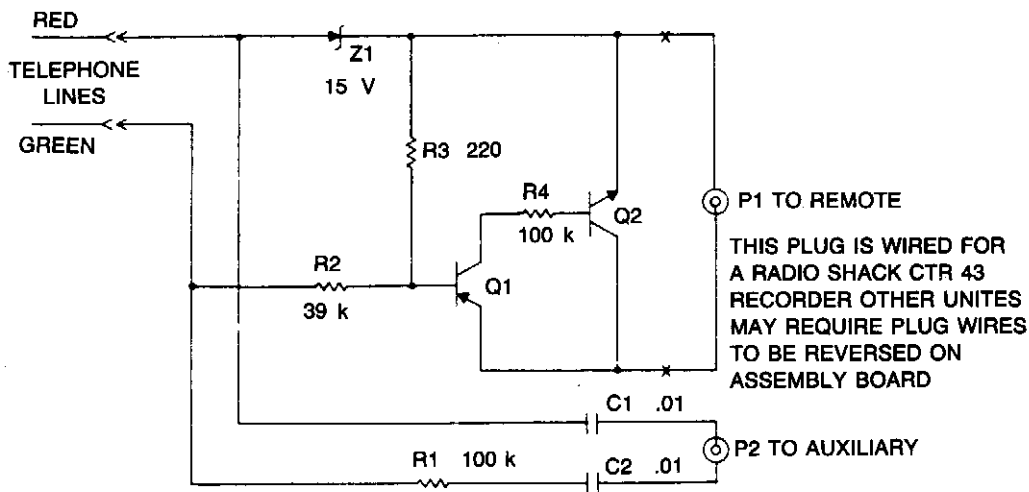
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Fig. 98-4

### Circuit Notes

Two integrated tone decoders, XR-567 units, can be connected (as shown in Fig. 1A) to permit decoding of simultaneous or sequential tones. Both units must be on before an output is given.  $R_1C_1$  and  $R_1C_1$  are chosen, respectively, for Tones 1 and 2. If sequential tones (1 followed by 2) are to be decoded, then  $C_3$  is made very large to delay turn-off of Unit 1 until Unit 2 has turned on and the NOR gate is activated. Note that the wrong sequence (2 followed by 1) will not provide an output since Unit 2 will turn off before Unit 1 comes on. Figure 1B shows a circuit variation which eliminates the NOR gate. The output is taken from Unit 2, but the Unit 2 output stage is biased off by  $R_2$  and  $C_1$  until activated by Tone 1. A further variation is given in Fig. 1C. Here, Unit 2 is turned on by the Unit 1 output when Tone 1 appears, reducing the standby power to half. Thus, when Unit 2 is on, Tone 1 is or was present. If Tone 2 is now present, Unit 2 comes on also and an output is given. Since a transient output pulse may appear at Unit 1 turn-on, even if Tone 2 is not present, the load must be slow in response to avoid a false output due to Tone 1 alone. The XR-267 Dual Tone Decoder can replace two integrated tone decoders in this application.

## AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE RECORDING DEVICE



CONNECT TO ANY CONVENIENT PHONE JACK OR WHEREVER ACCESS TO WIRES IS AVAILABLE. MAY BE CONNECTED VIA ALLIGATOR CLIPS, PLUGS OR MODULAR PLUG.

SPECIAL NOTE  
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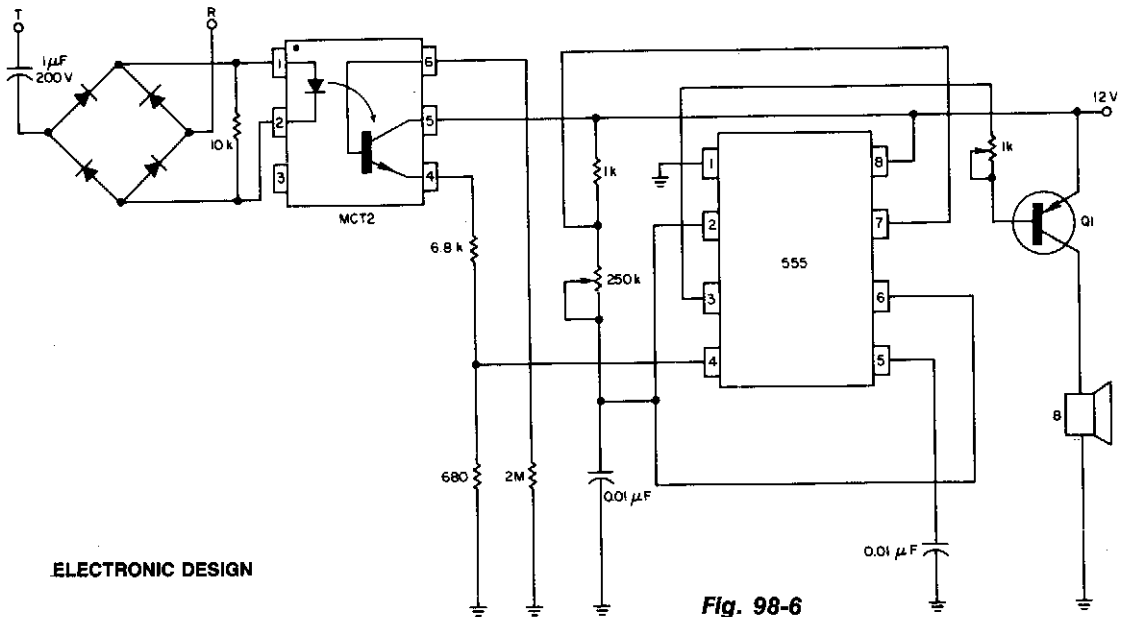
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*Fig. 98-5*

### Circuit Notes

The device is a dc switch that is normally on via the forward biasing of Q1 via R3. Q1 now clamps Q2 into a forward state by biasing its complement well into a saturated state via R4. The dc switch is turned off via a negative voltage above that of the zener (D1). This voltage is usually about 48 and is the on-hook value of the phone line. This negative voltage overrides the effect of R3 and keeps the circuit "off." When the phone is off the hook, the 48 volts drops to 10 volts, that is below the zener voltage of D1 and R3 now turns the circuit on. The audio signal is via attenuator resistor R1 and dc isolating capacitors C1, C2. The device is a high impedance switch that isolates the recording controlled device from the phone line via some relatively simple electronic circuitry. It requires no battery and obtains power for operating via the remote jack that in most recorders is a source of 6 volts. When clamped to ground it initiates recorder operation. The unit interfaces with most portable cassette recorders providing they contain a remote control jack.

## TELEPHONE RINGING DETECTOR, FREQUENCY AND VOLUME CONTROLLED



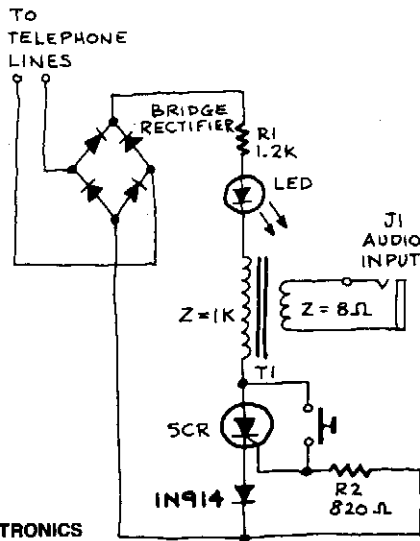
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Fig. 98-6

### Circuit Notes

With the 555 timer connected as a multivibrator and an opto-isolator, a remote speaker can be driven.

## MUSIC ON HOLD



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Fig. 98-7

### Circuit Notes

With this music-on-hold device, you can answer the phone in one room, place the caller on hold, and then pick up the phone again at another location. When you pick up the phone the second time, you automatically deactivate the music-on-hold feature and can continue your conversation.

## CIRCUIT MONITORS BLINKING PHONE LIGHTS

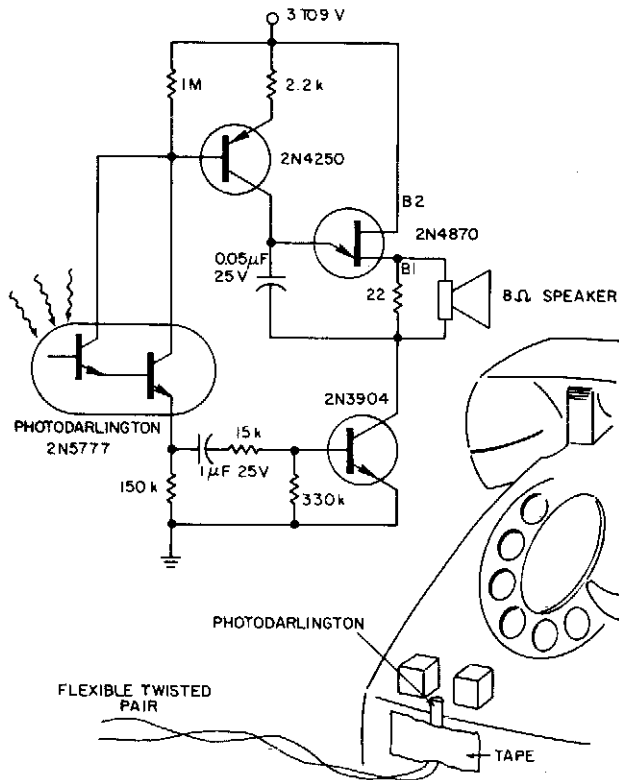
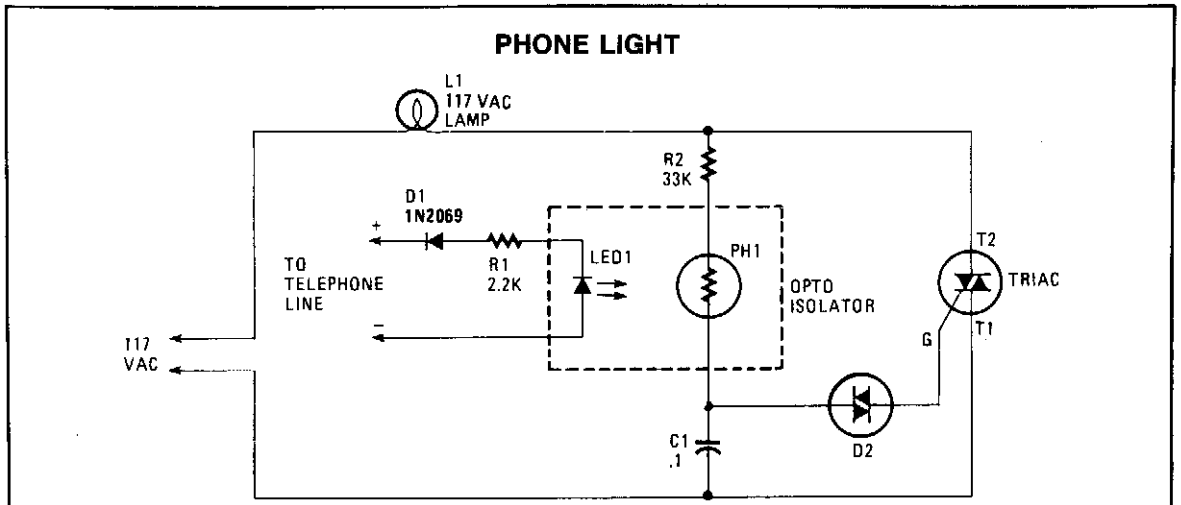


Fig. 98-8

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

### Circuit Notes

A 2N5777 photo-Darlington cell picks up blinking light from the transparent plastic buttons. The power is switched ON and OFF by a hi-beta 2N3904 transistor. The circuit's 9 V battery can be left continuously connected. Less than a micro-ampere is drawn—even with normal, office ambient light and the phone lights not flashing. For noisy locations, the tone can be made louder with an output transformer (ratio of 250:8) or a 100 ohm speaker that replaces the 22 ohm resistor in the output.

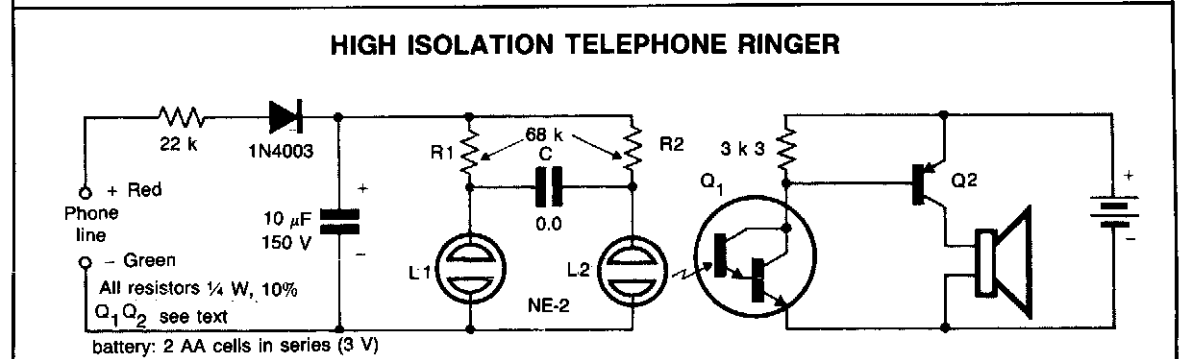


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 98-9

#### Circuit Notes

When the phone does ring the triac is triggered into conduction by a signal applied to its gate (G) through a bilateral switch (diac), D2. The triac acts as a switch, conducting only when a signal is present at the gate.



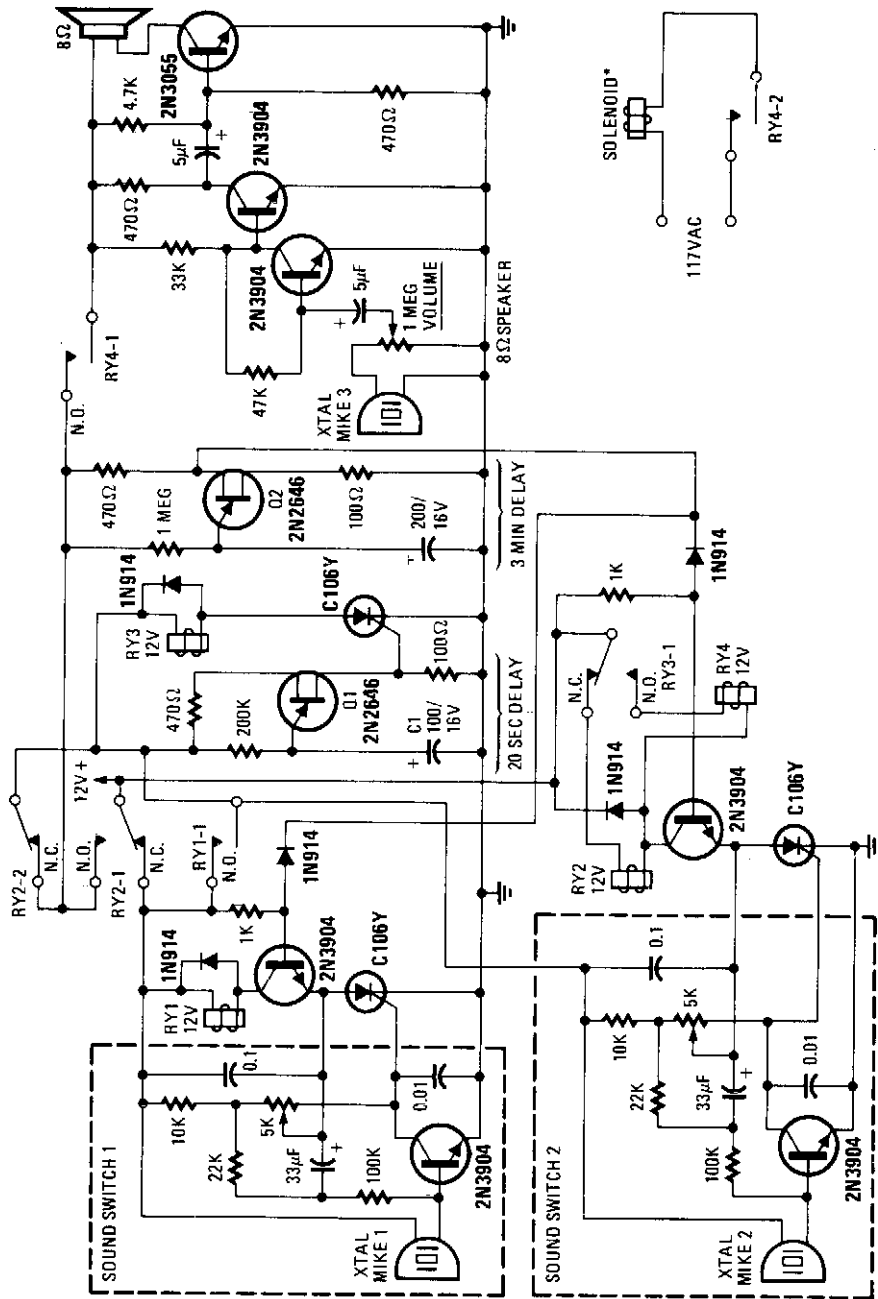
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

Fig. 98-10

#### Circuit Notes

The diode rectifies the ringing signal to supply the operating power to the audio relaxation oscillator made up of L1, L2, R1, R2, and C. Moreover, L2 together with Q1 acts as an opto-isolator, totally isolating the telephone line from the rest of the circuit. The oscillator audio frequency is optically coupled to the photo-Darlington which drives Q2 and thus the speaker. The 10 µF capacitor is not large enough to smooth the ringing ripple completely. This results in frequency modulation of the audio oscillator giving it an attention-getting warble.

**REMOTE TELEPHONE MONITOR**



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**Circuit Notes**

This device monitors sounds in home or office when a telephone is called from a remote location.

**Fig. 98-11**

## PLUG-IN REMOTE TELEPHONE RINGER

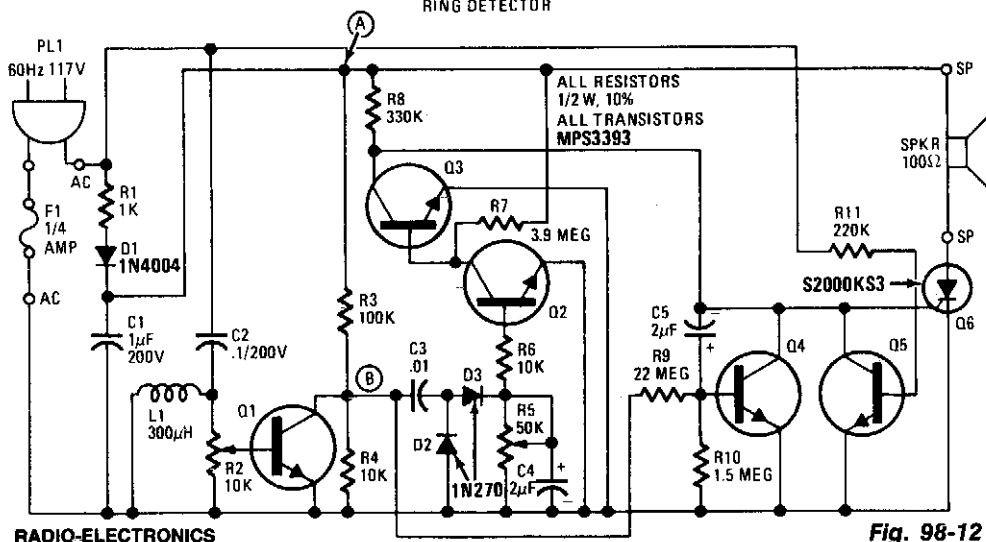
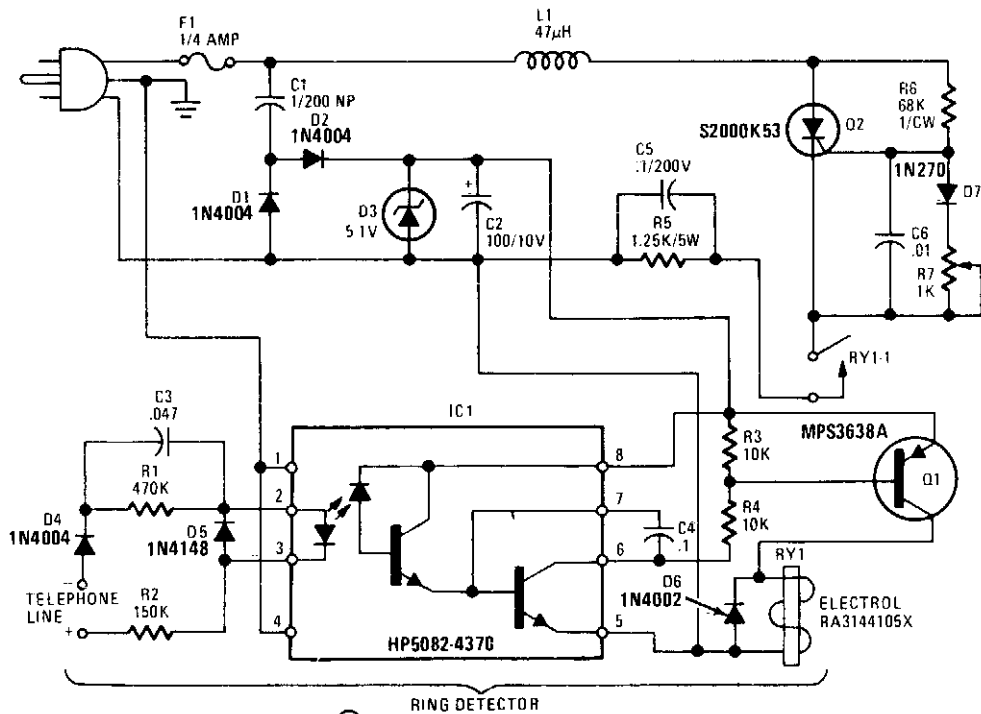


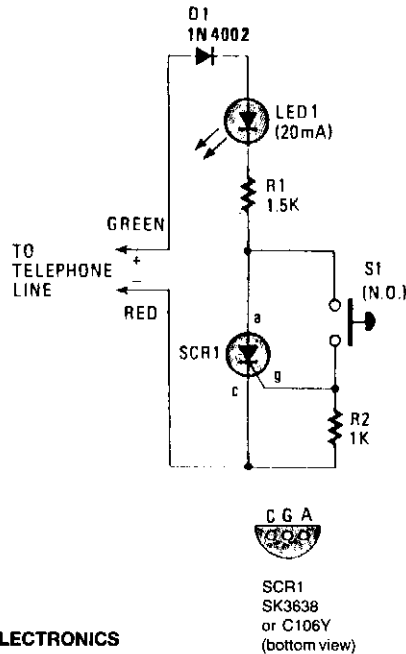
Fig. 98-12

### Circuit Notes

This device consists of a ring detector connected to the telephone line. When the telephone rings, the ring detector impresses high-frequency pulses on the ac power line. A receiver placed anywhere on the same power line detects these pulses and emits an audible tone in synchronization with the telephone signal.



## TELEPHONE HOLD BUTTON



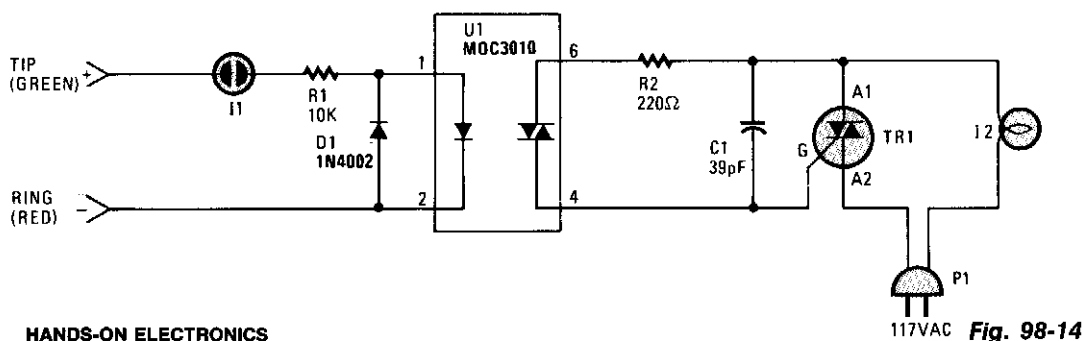
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 98-13

### Circuit Notes

The on-hook (no load) voltage across the red-green wires will be 48 V or slightly less when all telephones are on-hook (disconnected). When any telephone goes off-hook the load current flowing in the telephone causes the voltage to fall below 5 volts dc. Although the telephone hold is connected across the red-green wires, silicon control rectifier SCR1 is open; so there is no current path across the telephone line. To hold the call, depress normally-open switch S1 and hang up the telephone (still depressing S1). When the phone goes on-hook the red-green voltage jumps to 48 volts dc. Since switch S1 is closed, a positive voltage is applied to SCR1's gate, which causes SCR1 to conduct, thereby completing the circuit across the telephone line through D1, LED1, R1, and SCR1. The current that flows through those components also causes the LED to light up—indicating that the telephone line is being held. The effective load across the red-green wires is the 1500 ohm value of R1, which is sufficient to seize the line while limiting the current through the LED to a safe value. When the telephone, or an extension, is once again placed off-hook the red-green voltage falls to 5 volts or less. But diode D1 has a normal voltage drop—called the breakover voltage—of 0.7 volts, and the LED has a forward drop of 2.0 volts. Excluding the voltage drop across R1 there is a maximum of 2.3 volts available for SCR1, which is too low to maintain conduction; so SCR1 automatically opens the hold circuit when any telephone goes off-hook.

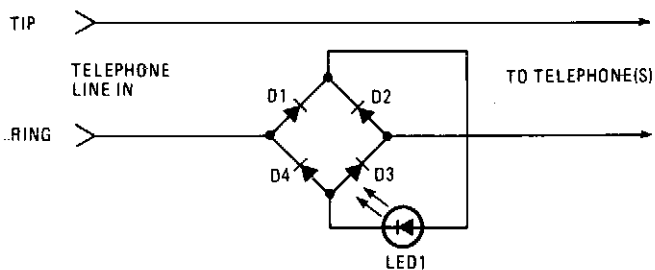
## TELEPHONE BLINKER



### Circuit Notes

A small neon lamp is triggered into conduction by the telephone's ringing voltage, passes just enough current to activate the LED in optocoupler U1, which in turn triggers the 6-A Triac that controls I2—a 117-Vac lamp or bell. (Capacitor C1 is necessary only when the circuit is used to drive a bell.) The lamp will flash off-and-on at the ringing rate, which is normally around 20 Hz. If a 117 Vac bell is used, connect it in place of the lamp.

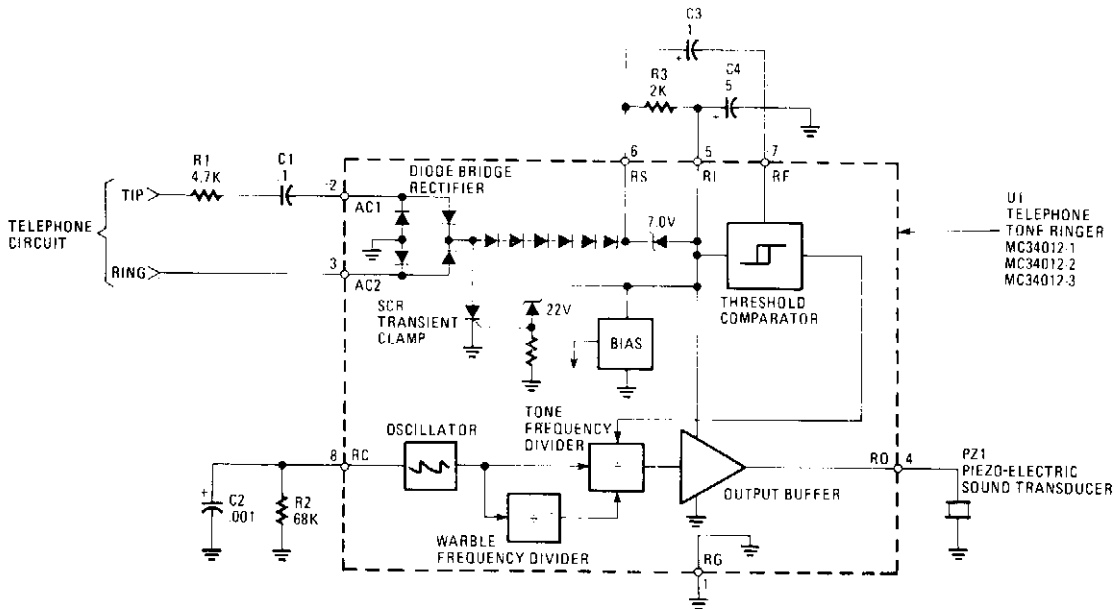
## TELEPHONE "IN USE" INDICATOR



### Circuit Notes

This circuit functions as a line-current sensor and can be connected in series with either of the phone lines. For the circuit to indicate an "in use" status for all phones on a single line, it must be connected in series with the phone line before, or ahead of, all phones on the line. Since the power for the circuit is supplied by the phone company, a circuit could be added to each phone as an off-hook indicator.

## TONE RINGER



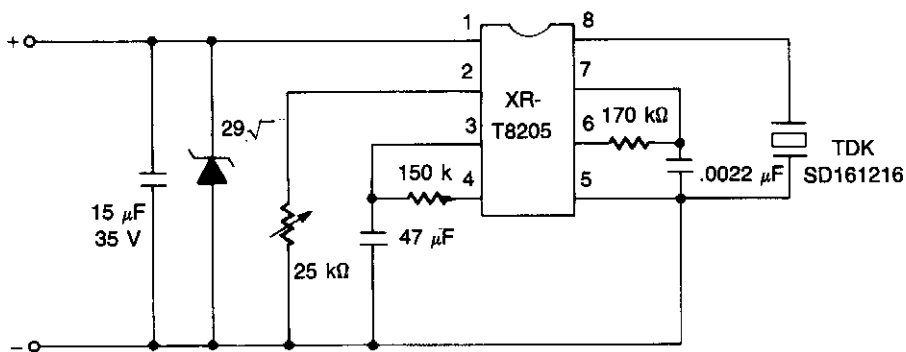
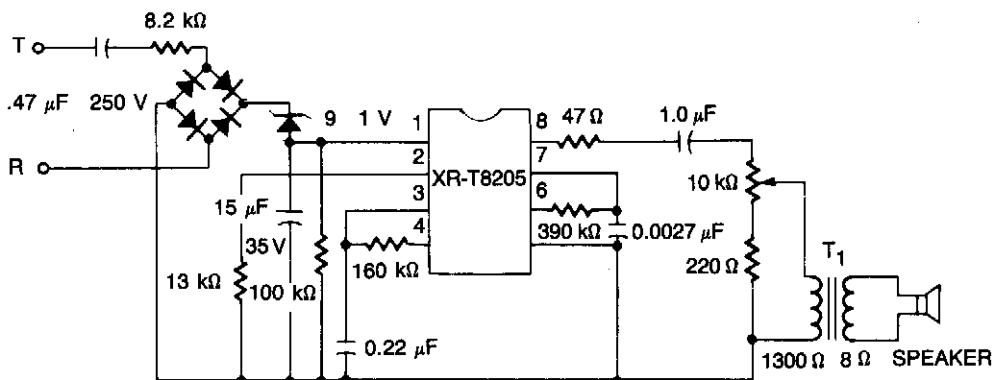
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 98-16

### Circuit Notes

The MC34012 tone-ringer chip derives its power by rectifying the ac ringing signal. That signal is normally at 20 Hz and measures between 70 and 130 volts rms. It uses that power for the tone generator and to drive the piezoelectric transducer. The sound that is produced is a warble that varies between two frequencies,  $f_o/4$  ( $f_o - 4$ )  $f_o/5$ . The clock, or fundamental, frequency,  $f_o$ , is generated by a relaxation oscillator. That oscillator has R2 and C2 as its frequency setting components providing a selectable range of 1 kHz to 10 kHz. Selecting different values for R2 and/or C2 changes the clock frequency, which in turn varies the warble frequencies. The MC34012 chip comes in three different warble rates at which the warble frequencies ( $f_o/4$ ,  $f_o/5$ ) are varied. These warble rates are  $f_o/320$ ,  $f_o/640$ , or  $f_o/160$  and the different chips are designated as MC34012-1, -2, and -3, respectively. For example: with a 4.40 kHz oscillator frequency, the MC34012-1 produces 800 Hz and 1000 Hz tones with a 12.5 Hz warble rate. The MC34012-2 generates 1600 Hz and 2000 Hz tones with a similar 12.5 Hz warble frequency from an 8.0 kHz oscillator frequency. MC34012-3 will produce 400 Hz and 500 Hz tones with a 12.5 warble rate from a 2.0 kHz oscillator frequency.

## TONE RINGER II



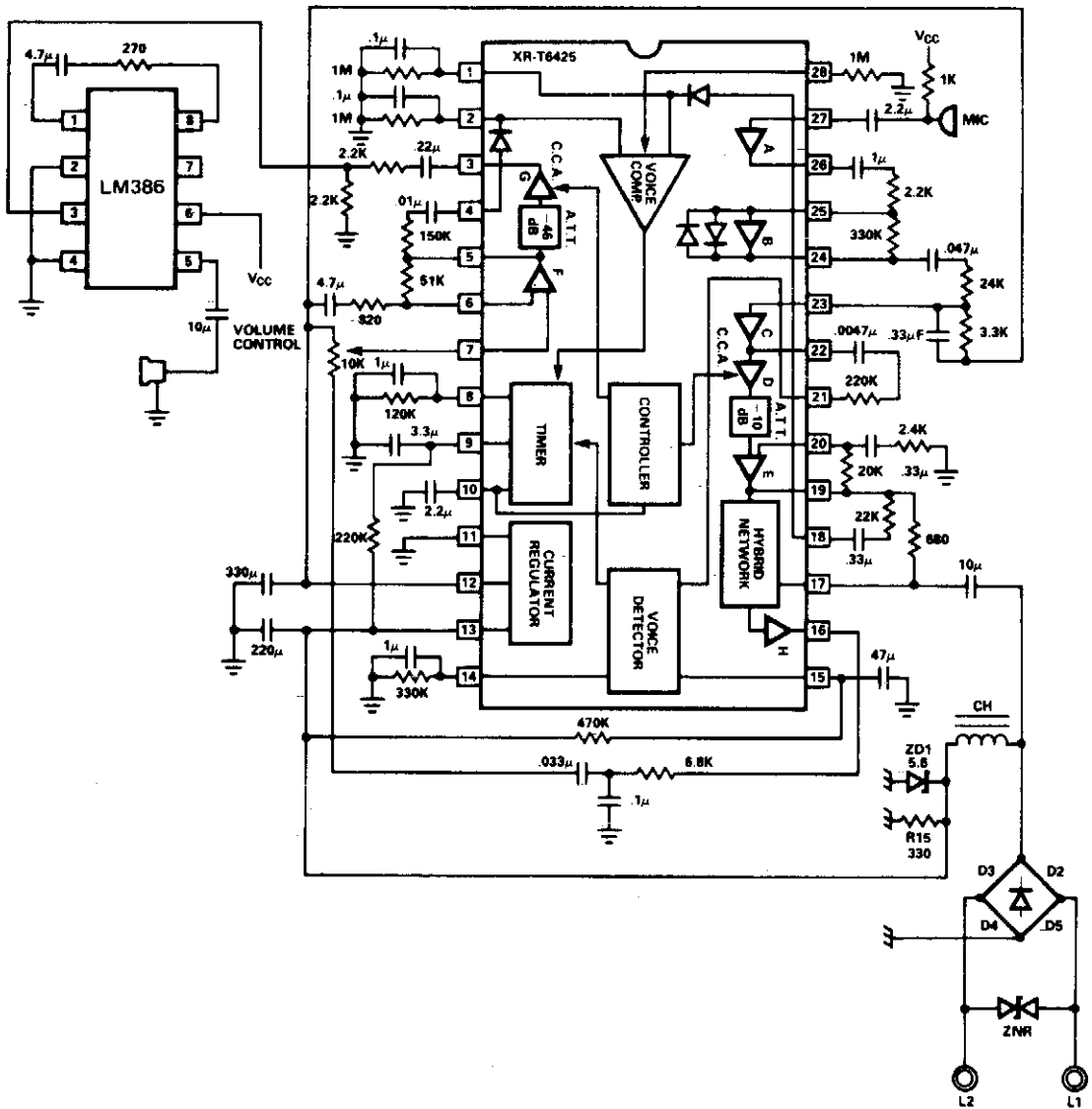
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Fig. 98-17

### Circuit Notes

The XR-T8205 Tone Ringer is primarily intended as a replacement for the mechanical telephone bell. The device can be powered directly from telephone ac ringing voltage or from a separate dc supply. An adjustable trigger level is provided with an external resistor. The circuit is designed for nominal 15 volt operation.

## SPEAKERPHONE

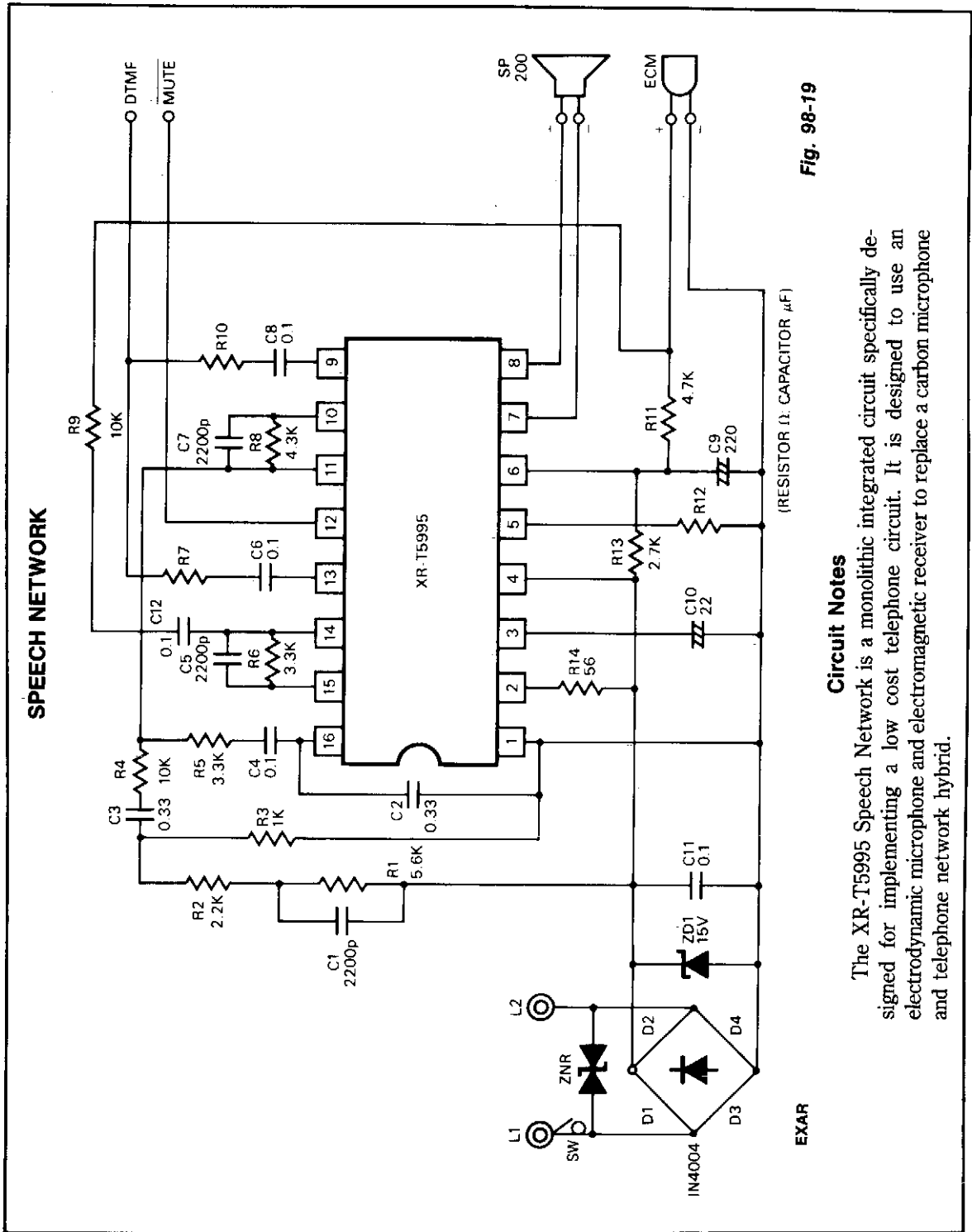


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Fig. 98-18

### Circuit Notes

The XR-T6425 Speakerphone IC makes it possible to carry on conversation without using the handset, while the user is talking into a microphone and listening from a loudspeaker. It is ideal for hands-free conference calls. The XR-T6425 contains most of the circuits to eliminate singing and excessive background noise.



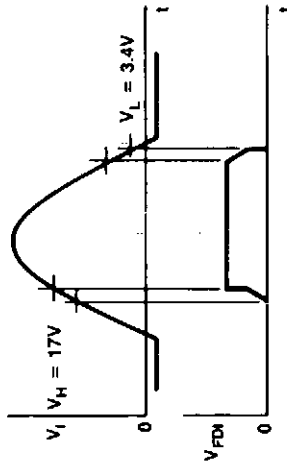
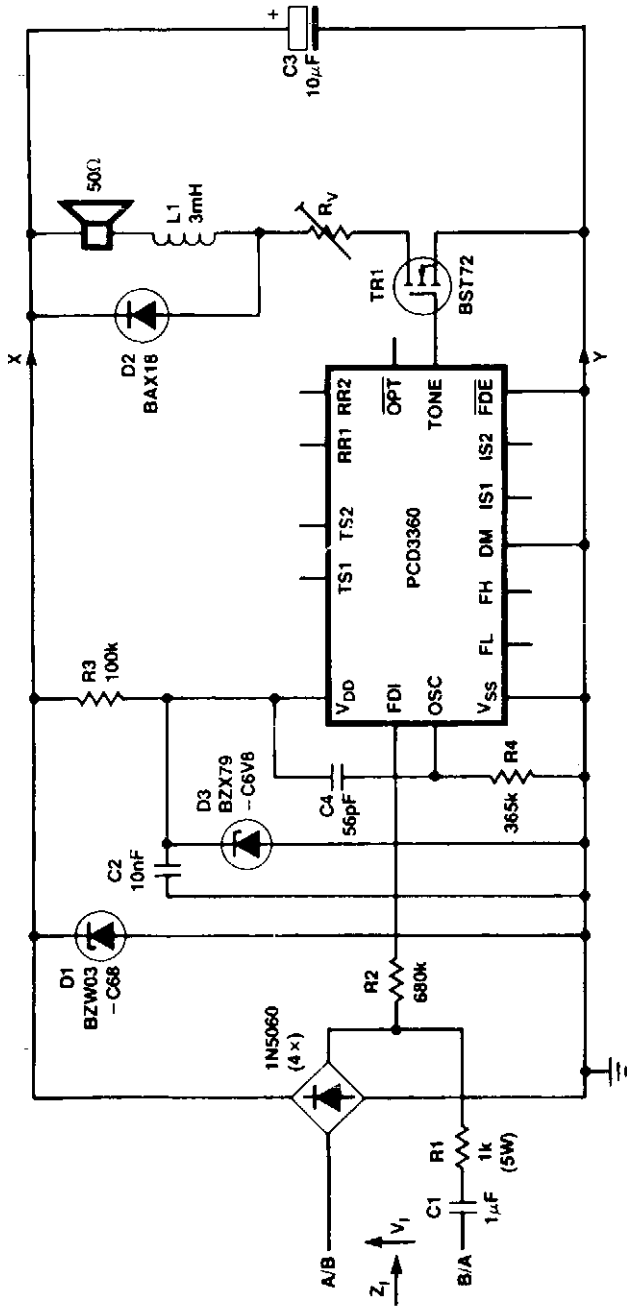
**Fig. 98-19**

**Circuit Notes**

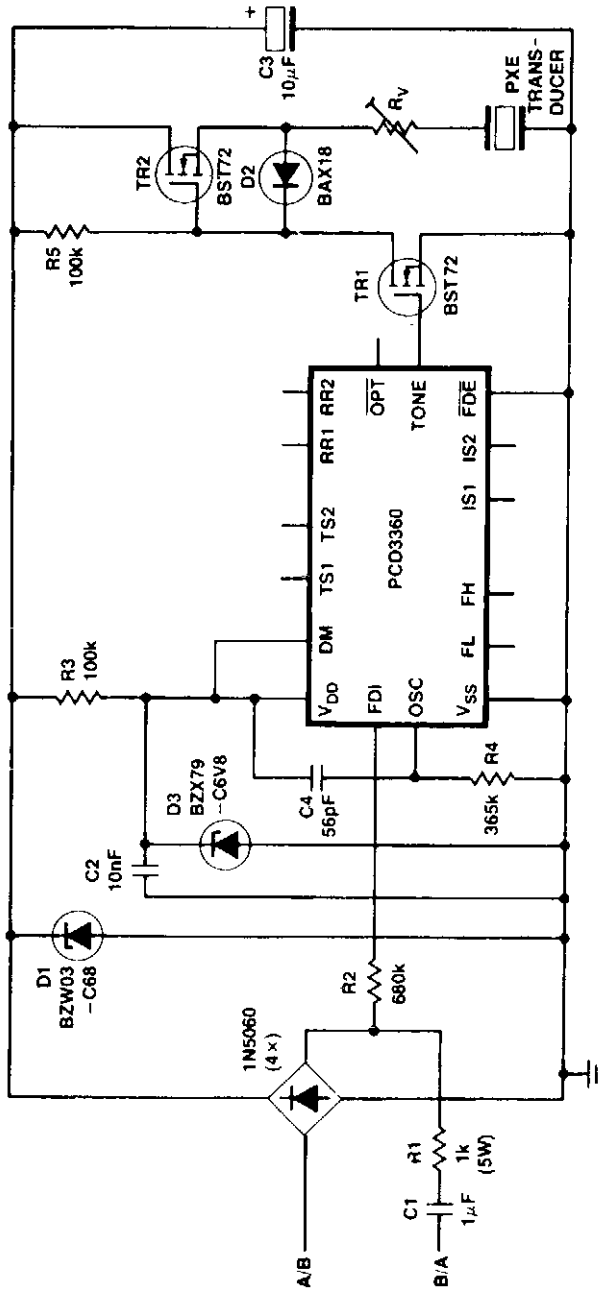
The XR-T5995 Speech Network is a monolithic integrated circuit specifically designed for implementing a low cost telephone circuit. It is designed to use an electrodynamic microphone and electromagnetic receiver to replace a carbon microphone and telephone network hybrid.

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# PROGRAMMABLE MULTI-TONE TELEPHONE RINGER



Transformerless Electronic Ringer With PCD3360 and a Loudspeaker



PCD3360 Ringer With PXE Transducer

SIGNETICS

Fig. 98-20

### Circuit Notes

Two BST72 transistors provide an output voltage swing almost equal to the voltage at C3. Pins IS1 and IS2 are inoperative because DM = HIGH. Volume control is possible using resistor  $R_v$ .



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## Temperature Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Temperature-Controlling Circuit

Temperature Control

Low-Cost Temperature Controller

Precision, Linearized Platinum RTD Signal Conditioner

Low Power Zero Voltage Switch Temperature Controller

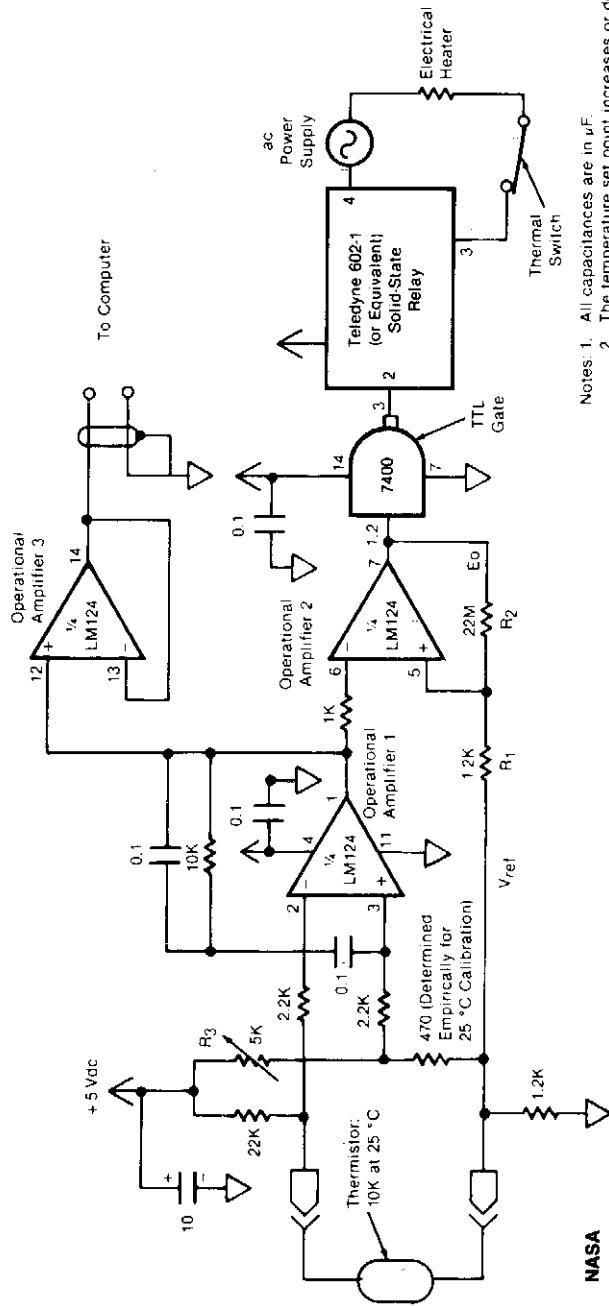
Heater Element Temperature Controller

Dual-Time Chip Controls Temperature While Monitoring Liquid Level

Temperature Alarm

Adjustable Threshold Temperature Alarm

# TEMPERATURE-CONTROLLING CIRCUIT



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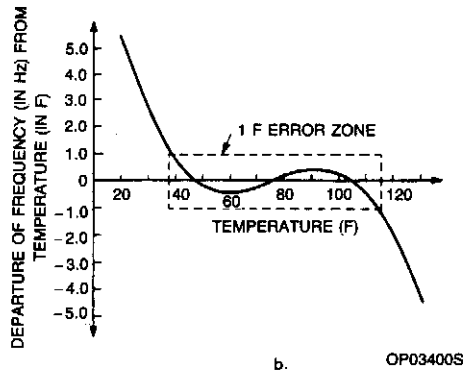
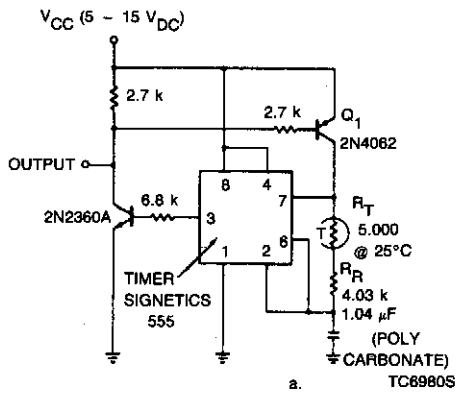
Fig. 99-1

- Notes:
1. All capacitances are in  $\mu\text{F}$ .
  2. The temperature set point increases or decreases with  $R_3$ , which is set at 2.17K for 25 °C.
  3. The upper and lower tripping voltages of operational amplifier 2 are given by  $V_{\text{trip}} = V_{\text{ref}} \pm E_0 R_1 / (R_1 + R_2)$ , where  $V_{\text{ref}}$  = the reference voltage and  $E_0$  = the output voltage of the operational amplifier.

## Circuit Notes

The circuit switches the current to an electrical heater on and off to maintain the temperature of a room at  $25 \pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$ . The temperature sensor is a thermistor which provides a differential input (for reduced noise) to an operational amplifier. A 5 kilohm potentiometer is used to adjust the set point through a voltage divider; a value of 2.17 kilohms yields the  $25^\circ\text{C}$  setting. A second operational amplifier is connected as an inverting differential-input comparator. The output of operational amplifier 2 controls the electrical heater through a zero-crossing solid-state relay. A transistor/transistor-logic (TTL) gate adjusts the output to the proper level for the relay. A thermal switch is placed in series with the heater and the ac supply for safety in case of thermal runaway. A third operational amplifier monitors the output of the thermistor, providing a signal to a computer for data logging.

## TEMPERATURE CONTROL



NOTE:  
All resistor values are in ohms.

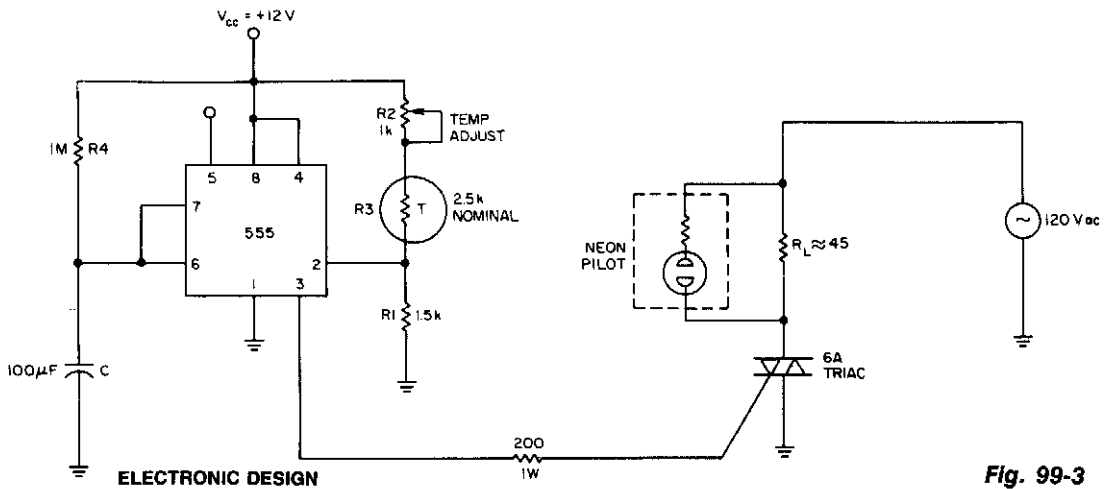
SIGNETICS

Fig. 99-2

### Circuit Notes

A couple of transistors and a thermistor in the charging network of the 555 type timer enable this device to sense temperature and produce a corresponding frequency output. The circuit is accurate to within  $\pm 1$  Hz over a 78°F temperature range.

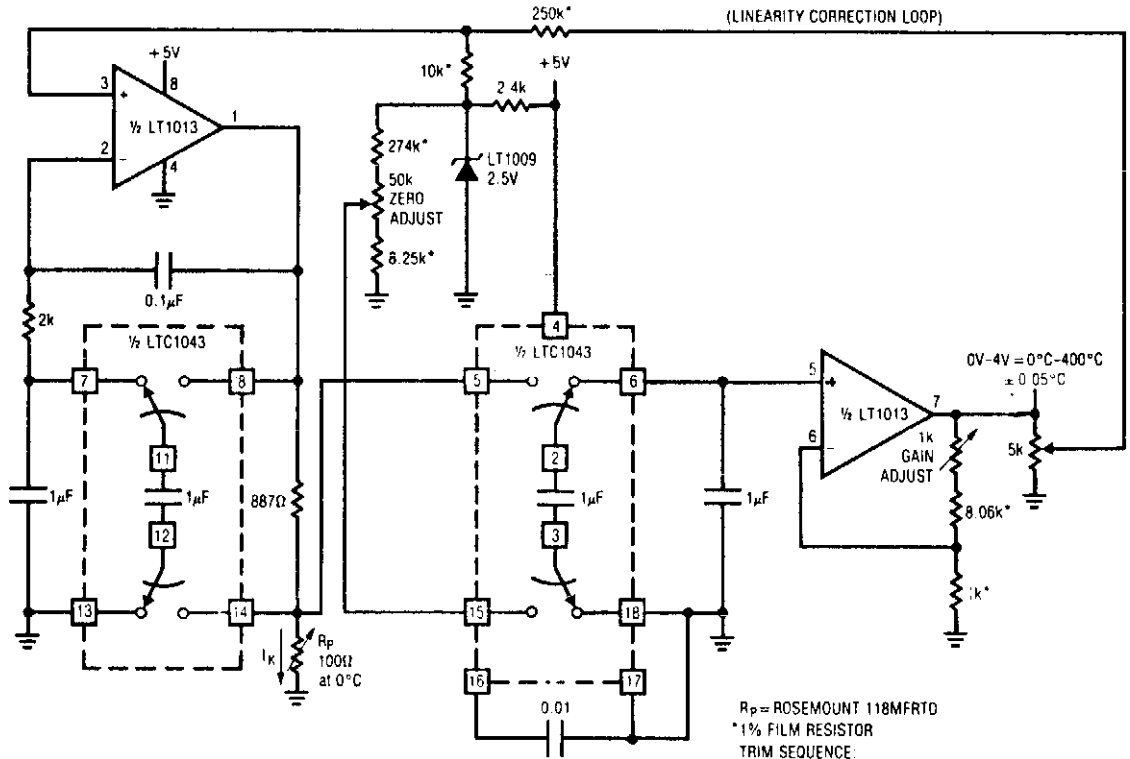
## LOW-COST TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



### Circuit Notes

The internal comparator of the 555 timer, combined with a thermistor, makes a low-cost temperature controller. Resistor  $R_2$  sets the temperature trip point.

# PRECISION, LINEARIZED PLATINUM RTD SIGNAL CONDITIONER



$R_p$  = ROSEMOUNT 118MFRTD  
 \* 1% FILM RESISTOR  
 TRIM SEQUENCE:  
 SET SENSOR TO 0°C VALUE. ADJUST ZERO FOR 0V OUT. SET SENSOR TO 100°C VALUE. ADJUST GAIN FOR 1.000V OUT. SET SENSOR TO 400°C VALUE. ADJUST LINEARITY FOR 4.000V OUT. REPEAT AS REQUIRED.

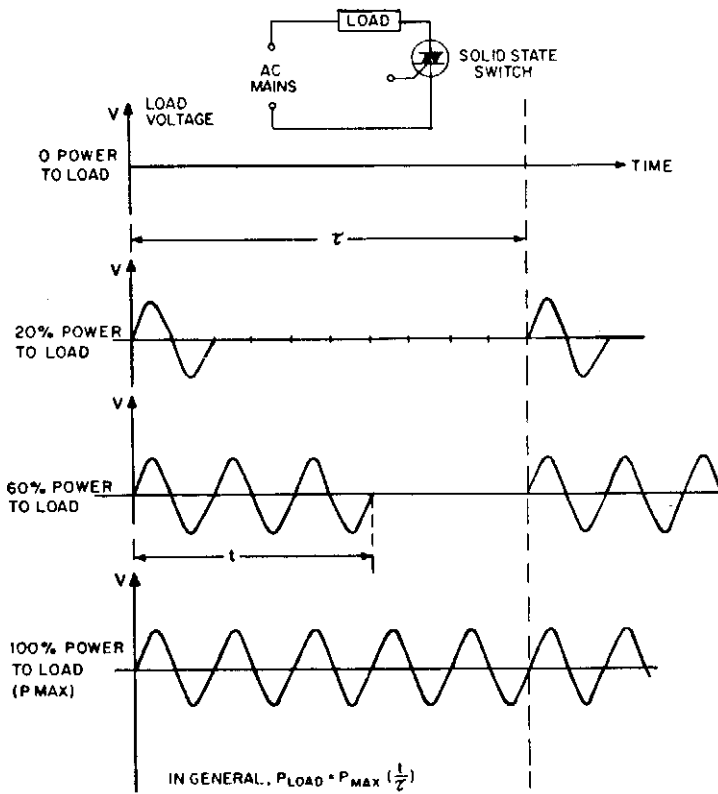
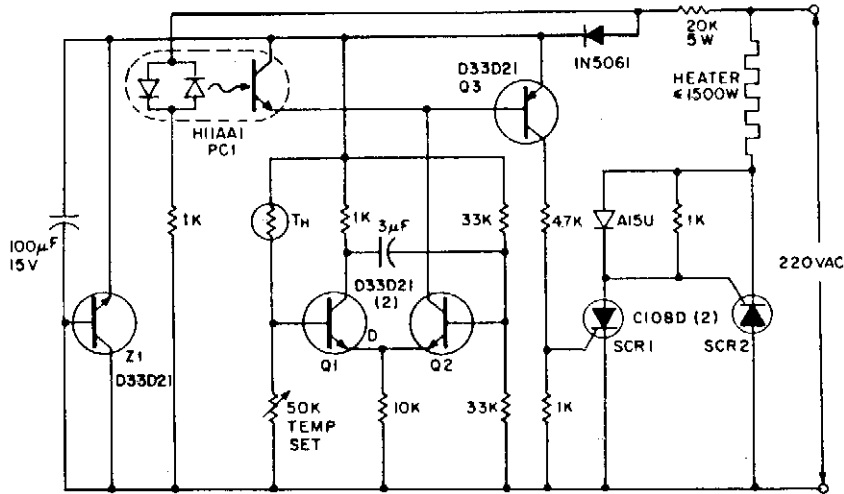
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Fig. 99-4

## Circuit Notes

The circuit provides complete, linearized signal conditioning for a platinum RTD. This LTC1043 based circuit is considerably simpler than instrumentation or multi-amplifier based designs, and will operate from a single 5 V supply. A1 serves as a voltage-controlled ground referred current source by differentially sensing the voltage across the 998 phm feedback resistor. The LTC1043 section which does this presents a single-ended signal to A1's negative input, closing a loop. The 2 k 0.1 μF combination sets amplifier roll-off well below the LTC1043's switching frequency and the configuration is stable. Because A1's loop forces a fixed voltage across the 887 ohm resistor, the current through  $R_p$  is constant. A1's operating point is primarily fixed by the 2.5 V LT1009 voltage reference.

# LOW POWER ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCH TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 99-5

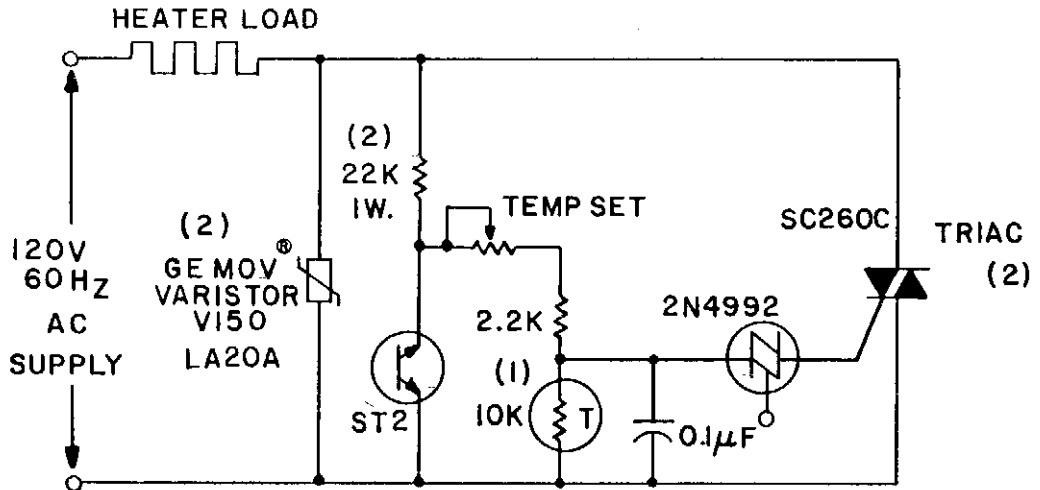
### Circuit Notes

The "zero voltage switching" technique is widely used to modulate heating and similar types of ac loads where the time constant associated with the load (tens of seconds to minutes) is sufficiently long to allow smooth proportional modulation by time ratio control, using one complete cycle of the ac input voltage as the minimum switching movement. Despite its attractions, the traditional triac-based ZVS is virtually unusable for the control of very low power loads, especially from 220 volt ac inputs due to the triac's reluctance to latch-on into the near-zero instantaneous currents that flow through it and the load near the ac voltage zero crossover points. The circuit side-steps the latching problem by employing a pair of very sensitive low current reverse blocking thyristors (C106) connected in antiparallel; these are triggered by a simple thermistor modulated differential amplifier (Q1, Q2), with zero voltage logic furnished by an H11AA1 ac input optocoupler. With the NTC thermistor TH calling for heat, transistor Q1 is cut off and Q2 is on, which would normally provide continuous base drive to Q3, with consequent triggering of either SCR, or of SCR 2 via SCR1, depending on phasing of the ac input.

Note that when the ac input voltage is positive with respect to SCR 2, SCR 1 is reverse biased and, in the presence of "gate" current from Q3, behaves as a remote base transistor, whose output provides via blocking diode CR1, positive gate trigger current for SCR 2. When the ac input polarity is reversed (SCR 1's anode positive), SCR 1 behaves as a direct fired conventional thyristor. "Trigger" current to SCR 1, however, is not continuous, even when TH is calling for heat and Q2 is delivering base current to Q3. In this situation, Q3 is inhibited from conduction by the clamping action of PC1, an H11AA photocoupler, except during those brief instants when the ac input voltage is near zero and the coupler input diodes are deprived of current.

Triggering of either SCR can occur only at ac voltage crossing points, and RFI-less operation results. The proportional control feature is injected via the positive feedback action of capacitor CM, which converts the differential amplifier Q1, Q2 into a simple multivibrator, whose duty cycle varies from one to 99 percent according to the resistance of TH. Zener diode Z1 is operational, being preferred when maximum immunity from ac voltage induced temperature drift is desired.

## HEATER ELEMENT TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



- NOTES: 1. Thermistor National Lead type 1D101, or equivalent.  
 2. Component values for 220V operation:  
 Resistor - 47K, 2W  
 GE-MOV® Varistor - V275LA20A  
 Triac - SC260E

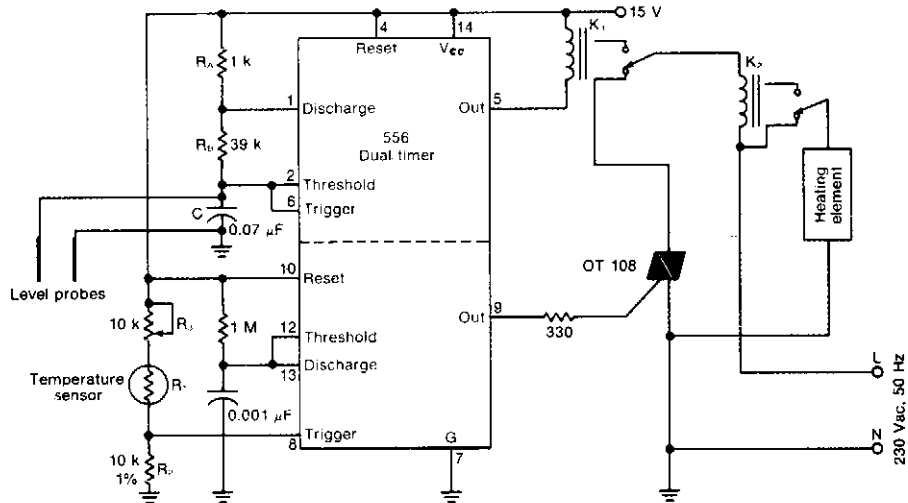
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 99-6

### Circuit Notes

The circuit can control up to 6 kW of heating, with moderate gain, using a 25-amp triac (SC260D). Feedback is provided by the negative temperature co-efficient (NTC) thermistor, which is mounted adjacent to the environment being temperature controlled. The temperature set potentiometer is initially adjusted to the desired heating level. As the thermistor becomes heated by the load, its resistance drops, phasing back the conduction angle of the triac, so the load voltage is reduced. The ST2 diac is used as a back-to-back zener diode. Its negative resistance region in its E-I characteristic provides a degree of line voltage stabilization. As the input line voltage increases, the diac triggers earlier in the cycle and, hence, the average charging voltage to the 0.1 µF capacitor, decreases.

## DUAL-TIMER CHIP CONTROLS TEMPERATURE WHILE MONITORING LIQUID LEVEL



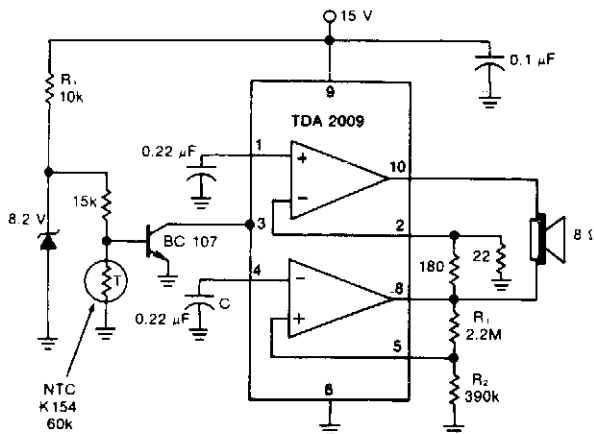
**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**Fig. 99-7**

### Circuit Notes

One-half of a 556 dual timer monitors the temperature of a liquid bath, controlling a heating element that maintains temperature within  $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$  over a  $32^\circ - 200^\circ\text{C}$  range. The other half monitors the liquid level, disconnecting the heater when the level drops below a preset point.

## TEMPERATURE ALARM



**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

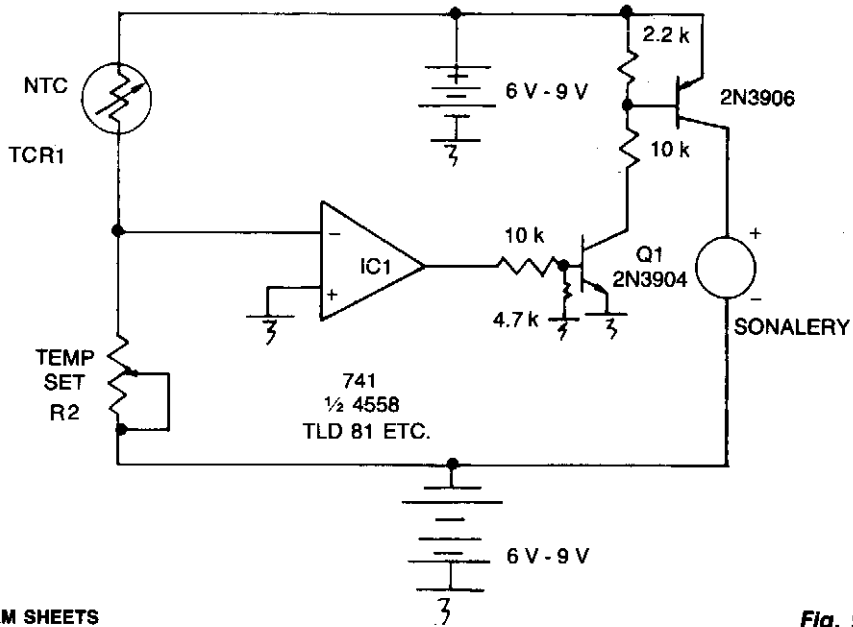
**Fig. 99-8**

### Circuit Notes

The mute pin of this dual audio amplifier is used as the trigger for a one chip high-temperature alarm. One-half of the IC is connected as an oscillator and the other boosts the audio alarm outputs to 10W.



### ADJUSTABLE THRESHOLD TEMPERATURE ALARM



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 99-9

#### Circuit Notes

When R1 increases as temp decreases, the output of IC1 goes positive, turning on Q1. Q1 conducts and causes Q2 to conduct, turning on the audible alarm. The threshold is set with potentiometer R2.

# 100

## Temperature Sensors

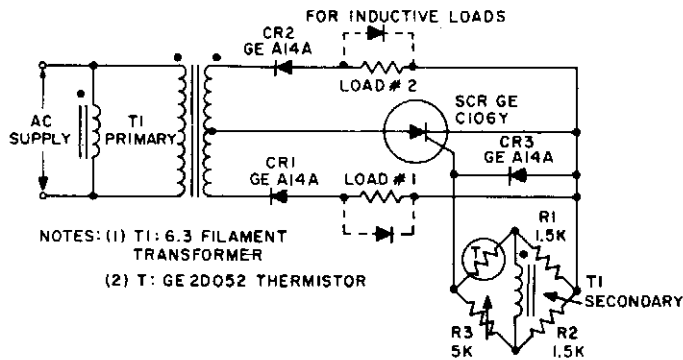
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 694. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the source entry in the Sources section.

Dual Output, Over-Under Temperature Monitor  
Temperature Sensor and DVM Interface  
Curvature Corrected Platinum RD Thermometer  
Thermocouple Amplifier with Cold Junction Compensation  
5-V Powered, Linearized Platinum RTD Signal  
Conditioner  
HI LO Temperature Sensor

## DUAL OUTPUT, OVER-UNDER TEMPERATURE MONITOR



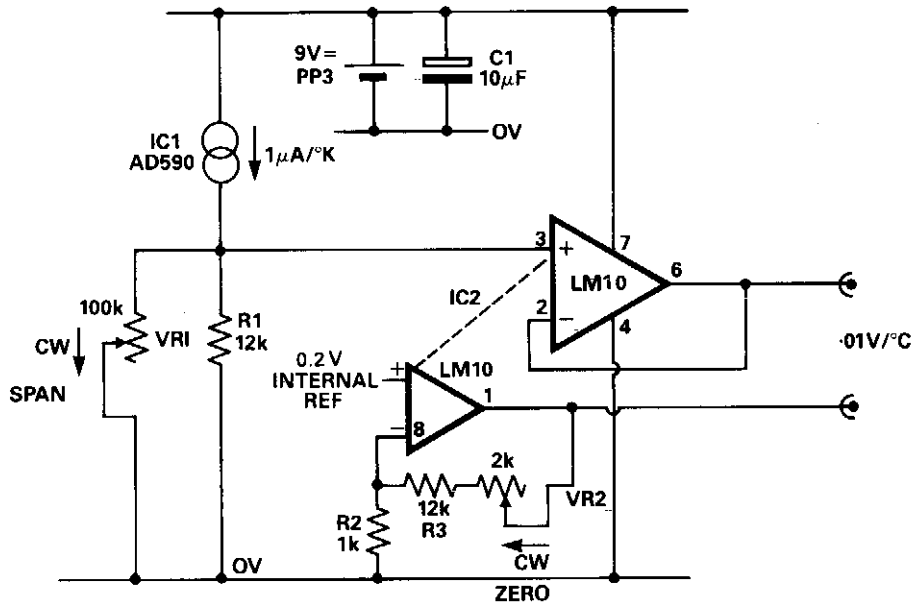
GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 100-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit is ideal for use as an over-under temperature monitor, where its dual output feature can be used to drive HIGH and LOW temperature indicator lamps, relays, etc. T1 is a 6.3 volt filament transformer whose secondary winding is connected inside a four arm bridge. When the bridge is balanced, ac output is zero, and C5 (or C7) receives no gate signal. If the bridge is unbalanced by raising or lowering the thermistor's ambient temperature, and ac voltage will appear across the SCR's gate cathode terminals. Depending in which sense the bridge is unbalanced, the positive gate voltage will be in phase with, or 180° out of phase with the ac supply. If the positive gate voltage is in phase, the SCR will deliver load current through diode CR1 to load (1), diode CR2 blocking current to load (2). Conversely, if positive gate voltage is 180° out of phase, diode CR2 will conduct and deliver power to load (2), CR1 being reverse biased under these conditions. With the component values shown, the circuit will respond to changes in temperature of approximately 1-2°C. Substitution of other variable-resistance sensors, such as cadmium sulfide light dependent resistors (LDR) or strain gauge elements, for the thermistor shown is permissible.

## TEMPERATURE SENSOR AND DVM INTERFACE



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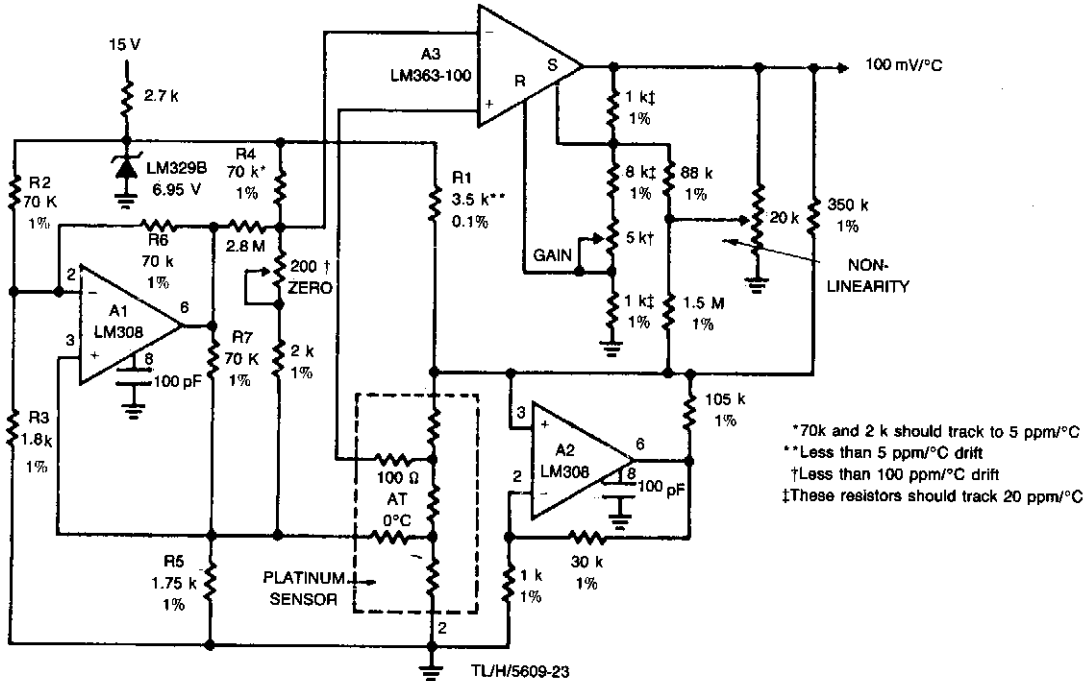
Fig. 100-2

### Circuit Notes

The DVM gives a direct indication of the temperature of the sensor in degrees Centigrade. The temperature sensor IC1 gives a nominal  $1 \mu\text{A}$  per degree Kelvin which is converted to 10 mV per degree Kelvin by R1 and VR1. IC2 is a micropower, low input drift op amp with internal voltage reference and amplifier. The main op amp in IC1 is connected as a voltage follower to buffer the sensor voltage at R1.

The second amplifier in IC1 is used to amplify the .2 V internal reference up to 2.73 V in order to offset the 273 degrees below  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . The output voltage of the unit is the differential output of the two op amps and is thus equal to 0.01 V per  $^\circ\text{C}$ .

## CURVATURE CORRECTED PLATINUM RTD THERMOMETER



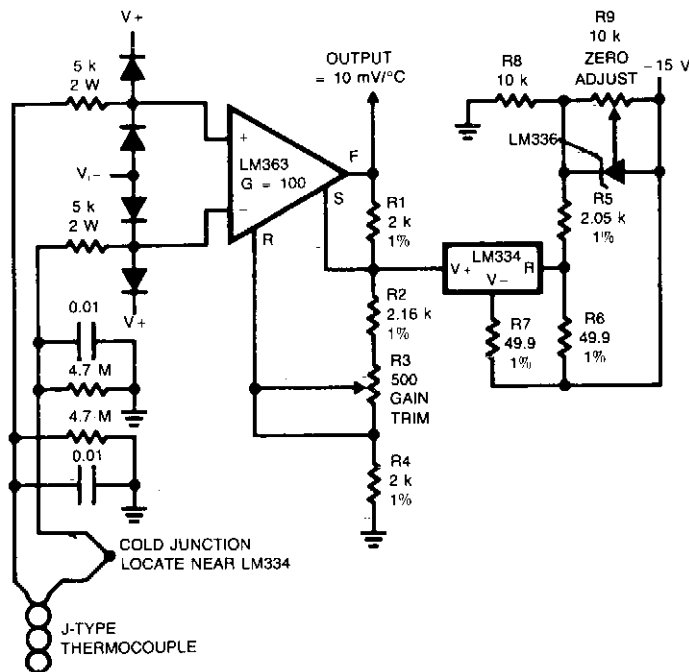
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

Fig. 100-3

### Circuit Notes

This thermometer is capable of 0.01°C accuracy over -50°C to +150°C. A unique trim arrangement eliminates cumbersome trim interactions so that zero gain, and nonlinearity correction can be trimmed in one even trip. Extra op amps provide full Kelvin sensing on the sensor without adding drift and offset terms found in other designs. A1 is configured as a Howland current pump, biasing the sensor with a fixed current. Resistors R2, R3, R4 and R5 form a bridge driven into balance by A1. In balance, both inputs of A2 are at the same voltage. Since R6 = R7, A1 draws equal currents from both legs of the bridge. Any loading of the R4/R5 leg by the sensor would unbalance the bridge; therefore, both bridge taps are given to the sensor open circuit voltage and no current is drawn.

## THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER WITH COLD JUNCTION COMPENSATION



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Fig. 100-4

### Circuit Notes

Input protection circuitry allows thermocouple to short to 120 Vac without damaging the amplifier.

#### Calibration:

1. Apply a 50 mV signal in place of the thermocouple. Trim R3 for  $V_{OUT} = 12.25$  V.
2. Reconnect the thermocouple. Trim R9 for correct output.



# 101

## Temperature-to-Frequency Converters

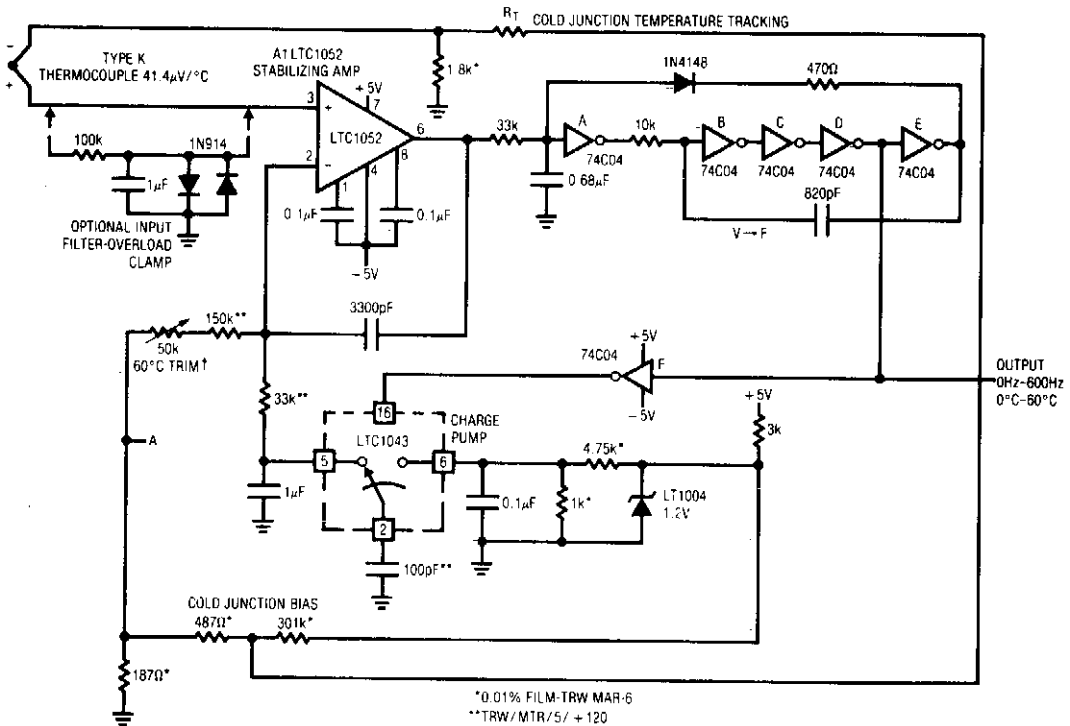
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Temperature-to-Frequency Converter  
Digital Temperature Measuring Circuit



## TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



\*0.01% FILM-TRW MAR-6  
 \*\*TRW/MTR/5/ + 120  
 RT = YELLOW SPRINGS INST. # 44007  
 100pF = POLYSTYRENE  
 †FOR GENERAL PURPOSE (1mV FULL-SCALE) 10-BIT A TO D. REMOVE THERMOCOUPLE - COLD JUNCTION NETWORK. GROUND POINT A, AND DRIVE LTC1052 POSITIVE INPUT.

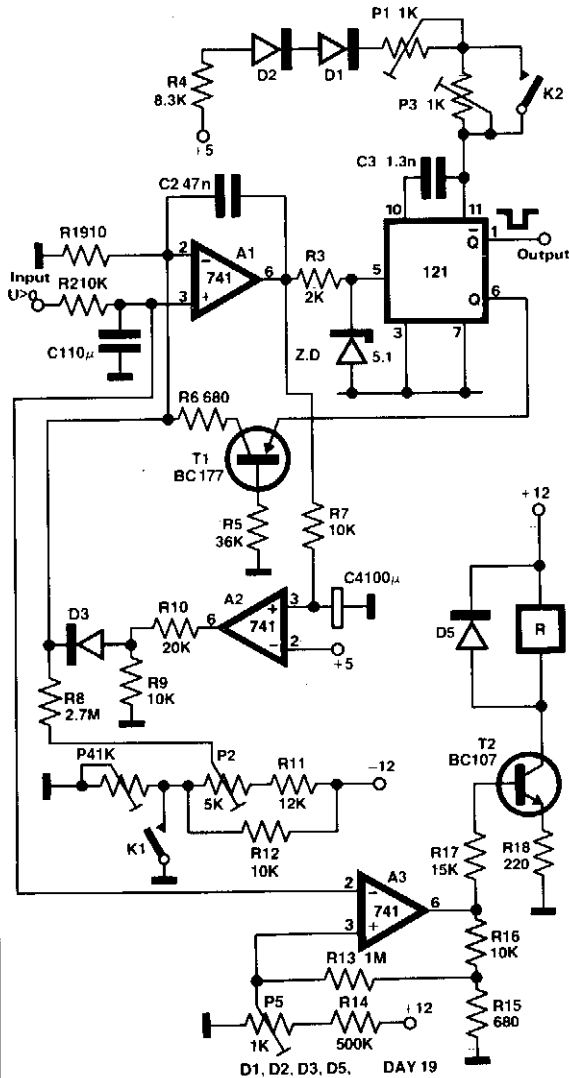
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Fig. 101-1

### Circuit Notes

A1's positive input is biased by the thermocouple. A1's output drives a crude V → F converter, comprised of the 74C04 inverters and associated components. Each V → F output pulse causes a fixed quantity of charge to be dispensed into the 1 μF capacitor from the 100 pF capacitor via the LT1043 switch. The larger capacitor integrates the packets of charge, producing a dc voltage at A1's negative input. A1's output forces the V → F converter to run at whatever frequency is required to balance the amplifier's inputs. This feedback action eliminates drift and nonlinearities in the V → F converter as an error item and the output frequency is solely a function of the dc conditions at A1's inputs. The 3300 pF capacitor forms a dominant response pole at A1, stabilizing the loop.

## DIGITAL TEMPERATURE MEASURING CIRCUIT



### Circuit Notes

The output voltage of a thermocouple is converted into frequency measured by a digital frequency meter. The measuring set connected with Ni-NiCr thermocouple permits you to measure the temperatures within the range of 5°C - 800°C with  $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  error. The output thermocouple signal is proportional to the temperature difference between the hot junction and the thermostat kept at 0°C, it drives the voltage-to-frequency converter changing the analogue input signal into the output frequency with the conversion ratio adjusted in such a way, that the frequency is equal to the measured temperature in Celsius degrees, e.g., for 350°C the frequency value is 350 Hz.

# 102

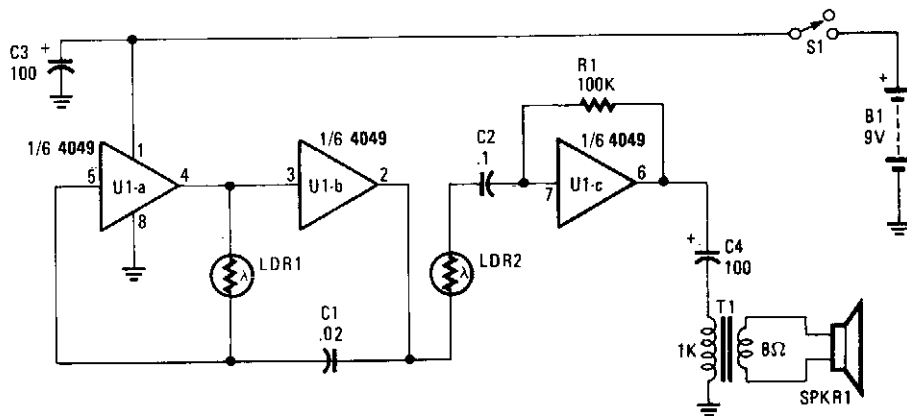
## Theremins

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Electronic Theremin  
Digital Theremin

## ELECTRONIC THEREMIN



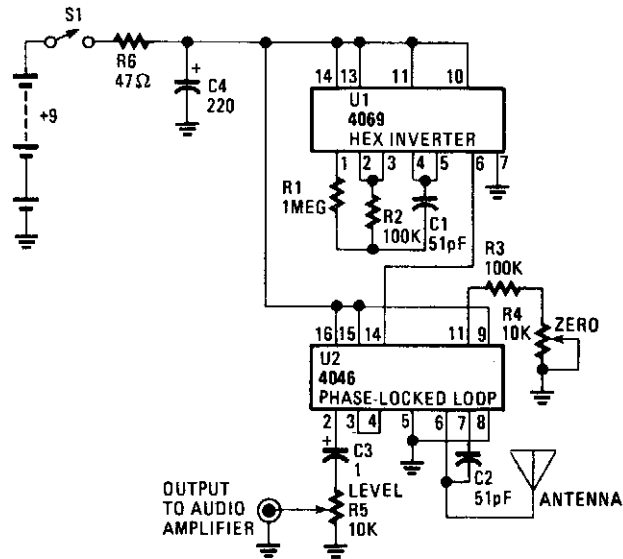
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 102-1

### Circuit Notes

This circuit has the CMOS IC doing double-duty performance. The first two inverters operate as a digital audio oscillator; the third operates as a low-gain linear audio amplifier. As the intensity of the light falling on photoresistor LDR1 increases the oscillator's frequency increases; similarly, the illumination falling on photoresistor LDR2 determines the volume level from the loudspeaker: The more illumination the more volume. If you flop and wave your hands between the two photocells and a light source, a special kind of electronic music will be produced.

## DIGITAL THEREMIN



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 102-2

### Circuit Notes

The CD4069 or 74C04 hex inverter—is used as a fixed-frequency oscillator centered around 100 kHz. U2 contains the variable frequency oscillator and balanced modulator. The CD4046 is a phase-locked loop and R3, R4, and C2 determine the center frequency of the on-chip oscillator. The antenna forms a parallel capacitance with C2, which allows the frequency to be shifted several kilohertz by bringing a hand near the antenna. R4, the ZERO control, allows the variable oscillator to be set to the same frequency as the fixed oscillator. When the difference frequency is below 15 Hz, it is below the lower frequency limit of the ear. By setting both oscillators to the same frequency, the Theremin remains silent until the performer brings his or her hand near the antenna. The oscillators are mixed by an exclusive OR gate inside the 4046. That gate acts as a digital balanced modulator, which produces the sum and difference frequencies. The output of the gate is then ac coupled by C3 to LEVEL control R5 and an output jack for connection to an audio amplifier or stereo receiver.

# 103

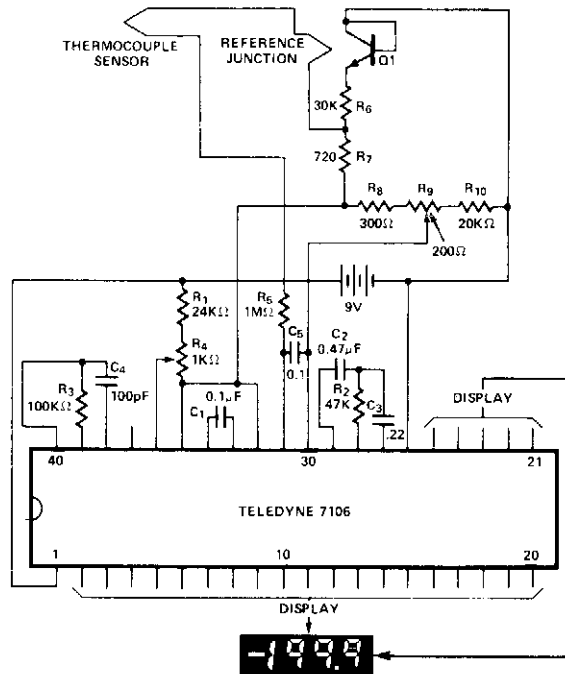
## Thermometer Circuits

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Digital Thermocouple Thermometer  
Remote Thermometer  
Electronic Thermometer  
Differential Thermometer  
Basic Digital Thermometer, Kelvin Scale with Zero  
Adjust  
Centigrade Thermometer (0°C-100°C)

## DIGITAL THERMOCOUPLE THERMOMETER



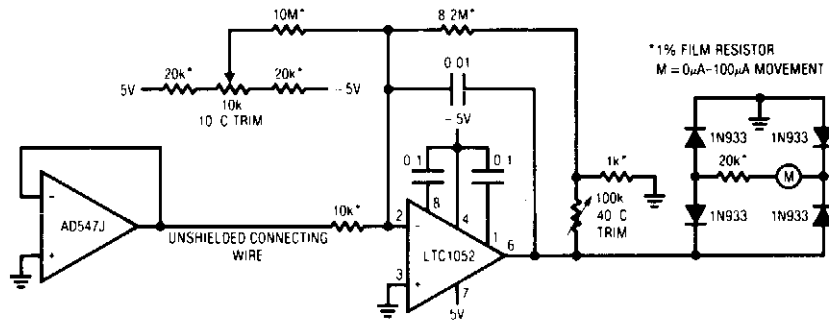
TELEDYNE SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 103-1

### Circuit Notes

This digital thermocouple thermometer uses one active component and 15 passive components. With this circuit, both type J and type K thermocouples may be used. The type J will measure over the temperature range of 10 to 530°C with a conformity of  $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ . The type K will measure over a temperature range of 0°C to 1000°C with a conformity of  $\pm 3^\circ\text{C}$ .

## REMOTE THERMOMETER



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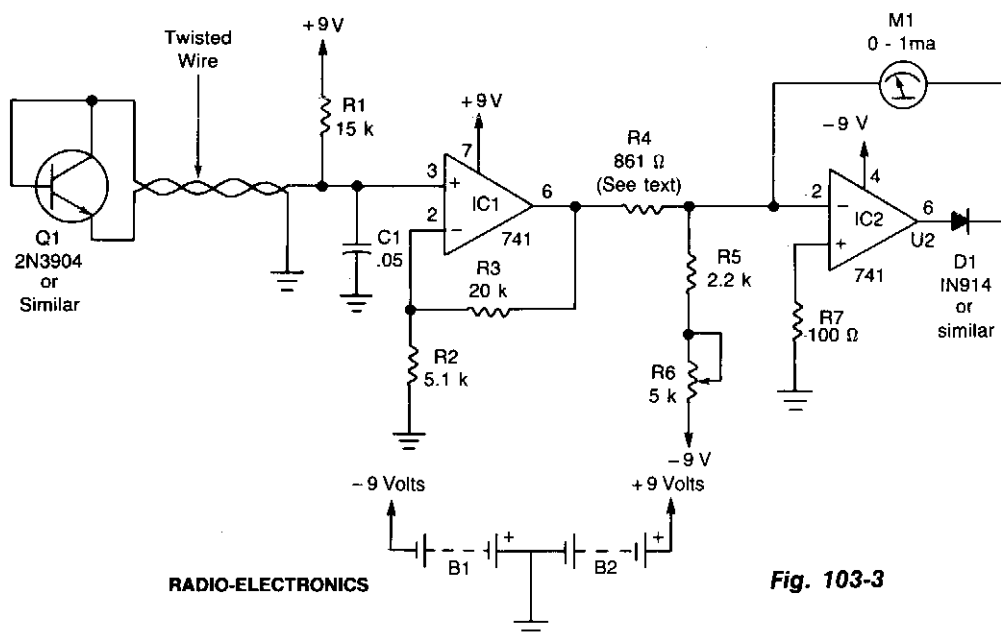
Fig. 103-2

### Circuit Notes

The low output impedance of a closed loop op amp gives ideal line-noise immunity, while the op amp's offset voltage drift provides a temperature sensor. Using the op amp in this way requires no external components and has the additional advantages of a hermetic package and unit-to-unit mechanical uniformity if replacement is ever required. The op amp's offset drift is amplified to drive the meter by the LTC1052. The diode bridge connection allows either positive or negative op amp temperature sensor offsets to interface directly with the circuit. In this case, the circuit is arranged for a +10°C to +40°C output, although other ranges are easily accommodated. To calibrate this circuit, subject the op amp sensor to a +10°C environment and adjust the 10°C trim for an appropriate meter indication. Next, place the op amp sensor in a +40°C environment and trim the 40°C adjustment for the proper reading. Repeat this procedure until both points are fixed. Once calibrated, this circuit will typically provide accuracy within  $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ , even in high noise environments.



## ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER



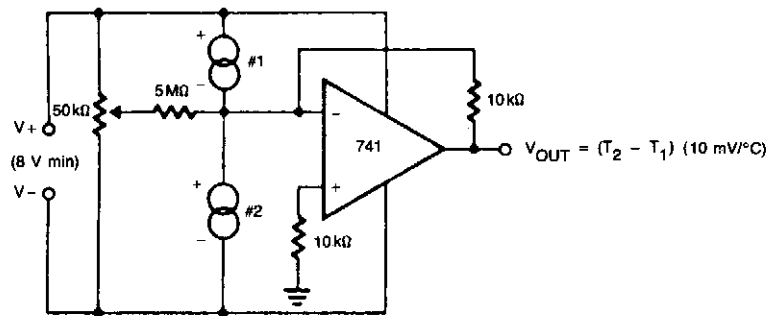
**Fig. 103-3**

### Circuit Notes

An inexpensive electronic thermometer is capable of measuring temperatures over a range of from  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $+120^{\circ}\text{F}$ . A diode-connected 2N3904 transistor used as the temperature sensor forms a voltage divider with R1. As temperature increases, the voltage drop across the transistor changes by approximately  $-1.166$  millivolts-per $^{\circ}\text{F}$ . As a result, the current at pin 3 of IC1, a 741 op amp with a gain of 5, decreases as the temperature measured by the sensor increases.

A second 741 op amp, IC2 is configured as an inverting amplifier. Resistors R5 and R6 calibrate the circuit. Calibration is also straightforward. When properly done, a temperature of  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$  will result in a meter reading of 0 milliamps, while a temperature of  $120^{\circ}\text{F}$  will result in a meter reading of 1 milliamp. Divide the scale between those points into equal segments and mark the divisions with the appropriate corresponding temperatures. The calibration is completed by placing the sensor in an environment with a known temperature, such as an ice-point bath. Place the sensor in the bath and adjust R6 until you get the correct meter reading.

## DIFFERENTIAL THERMOMETER



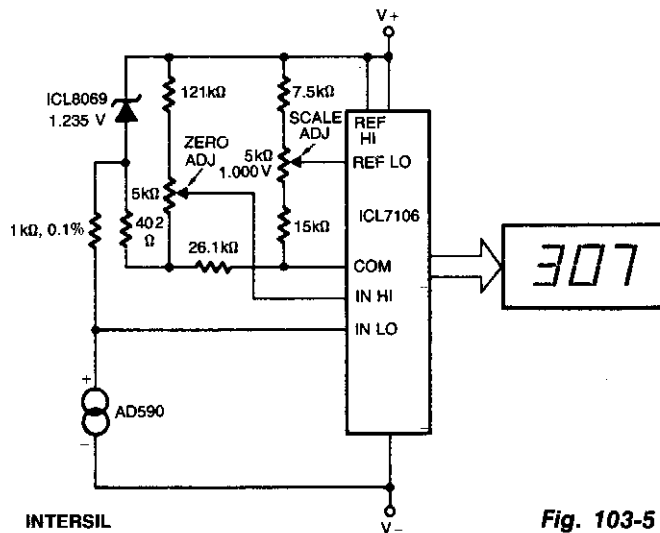
INTERSIL

Fig. 103-4

### Circuit Notes

The 50 k ohm pot trims offsets in the devices whether internal or external, so it can be used to set the size of the difference interval. This also makes it useful for liquid-level detection (where there will be a measurable temperature difference).

## BASIC DIGITAL THERMOMETER, KELVIN SCALE WITH ZERO ADJUST



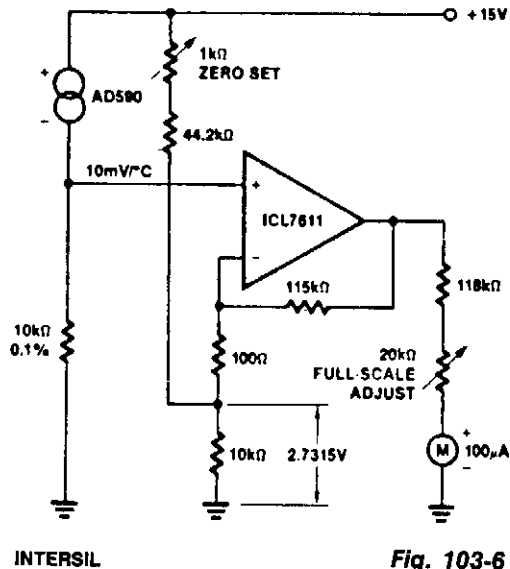
INTERSIL

Fig. 103-5

### Circuit Notes

This circuit allows "zero adjustment" as well as slope adjustment. The ICL8069 brings the input within the common-mode range, while the 5 k ohm pots trim any offset at 218° K (-55°C), and set the scale factor.

## CENTIGRADE THERMOMETER (0°C-100°C)



### Circuit Notes

The ultra-low bias current of the ICL7611 allows the use of large-value gain-resistors, keeping meter-current error under ½%, and therefore saving the expense of an extra meter-driving amplifier.

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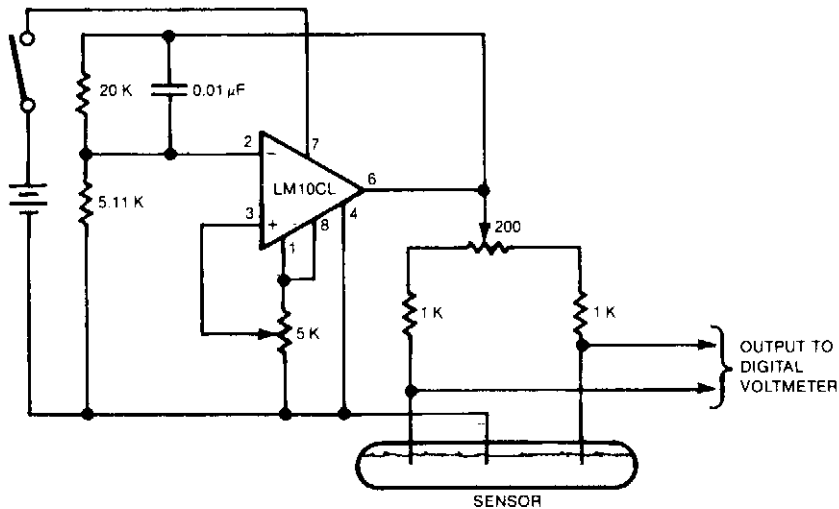
## Tilt Meters

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Tiltmeter Indicates Sense of Slope  
Differential Capacitance Measurement Circuit  
Ultra-Simple Level

## TILTMETER INDICATES SENSE OF SLOPE



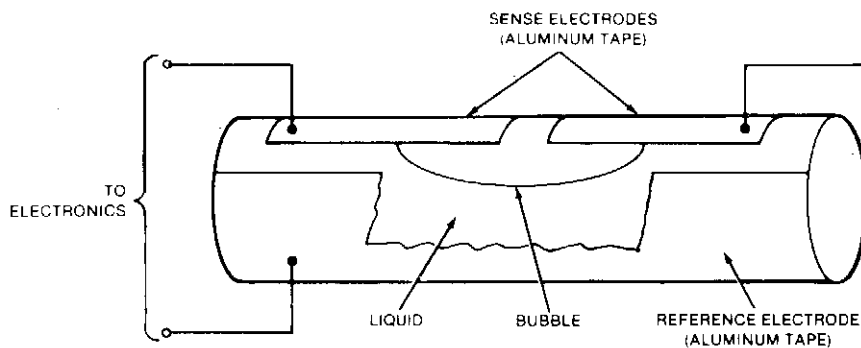
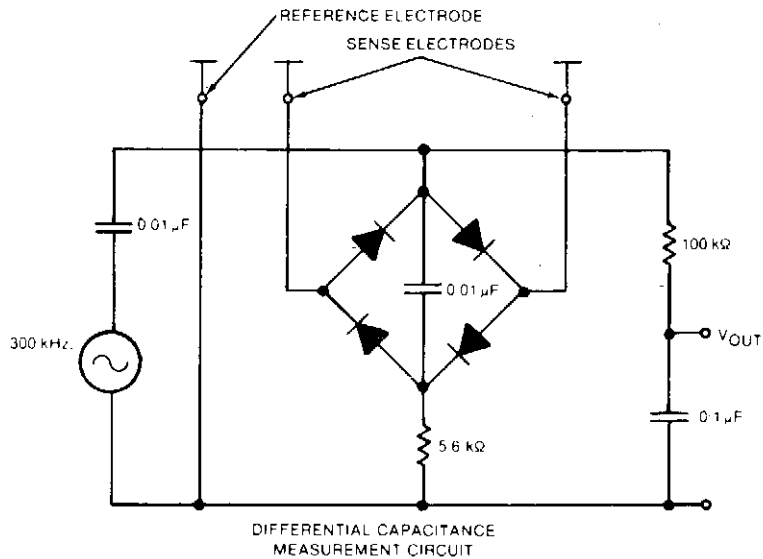
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Fig. 104-1

### Circuit Notes

Electrodes are immersed in an electrolyte that remains level while the sensor follows the tilt of the body on which it is placed, more of one outer electrode and less of the other are immersed and their resistances fall or rise, respectively. The resistance change causes a change in the output voltage of the bridge circuit. The sensor forms the two lower legs of the bridge, and two 1000 ohm metal film resistors and a 200 ohm cermet balance potentiometer form the two upper legs. In preparation for use, the bridge is balanced by adjusting the balance potentiometer so that the bridge output voltage is zero when the sensor is level. The bridge input voltage (dc excitation) is adjusted to provide about 10 millivolts output per degree of slope, the polarity indicating the sense of the slope. This scaling factor allows the multimeter to read directly in-degrees if the user makes a mental shift of the meter decimal point. The scaling-factor calibration is done at several angles to determine the curve of output voltage versus angle.

## DIFFERENTIAL CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENT CIRCUIT



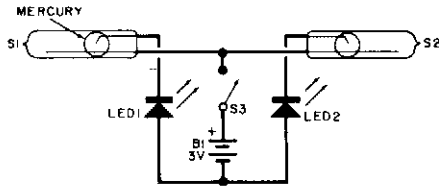
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**Fig. 104-2**

### Circuit Notes

A bubble vial with external aluminum-foil electrodes is the sensing element for a simple indicating tiltmeter. To measure bubble displacement, a bridge circuit detects the difference in capacitance between the two sensing electrodes and the reference electrode. Using this circuit, a tiltmeter level vial with 2 mm deflection for 5 arc-seconds of tilt easily resolves 0.05 arc-second. The four diodes are CA3039, or equivalent.

## ULTRA-SIMPLE LEVEL



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 104-3

### Circuit Notes

This electronic level uses two LED indicators instead of an air bubble. If the surface is tilted to the right, one LED lights; if it's tilted to the left, the other LED lights. When the surface is level, both LEDs light. It uses two unidirectional mercury switches, S1 and S2. The unidirectional mercury switch has one long electrode and one short, angled electrode. The pool of mercury "rides" on the long electrode and makes contact between the two electrodes if the unit is held in a horizontal position.

# 105

## Time-Delay Circuits

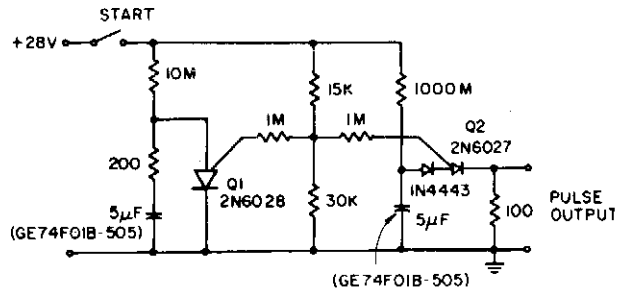
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Hour Time-Delay Sampling Circuit  
Time Delay With Constant Current Charging  
Low-Cost Integrator Multiplies 555 Timer's Delay  
Simple Time-Delay Circuit Using Two SCRs



## HOUR TIME-DELAY SAMPLING CIRCUIT



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 105-1

### Circuit Notes

The circuit lowers the effective peak current of the output PUT, Q2. By allowing the capacitor to charge with high gate voltage and periodically lowering gate voltage, when Q1 fires, the timing resistor can be a value which supplies a much lower current than  $I_p$ . The triggering requirement here is that minimum charge to trigger flow through the timing resistor during the period of the Q1 oscillator. This is not capacitor size dependent, only capacitor leakage and stability dependent.

## TIME DELAY WITH CONSTANT CURRENT CHARGING

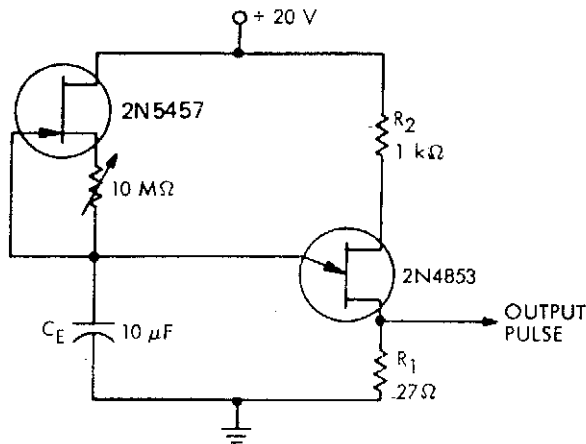
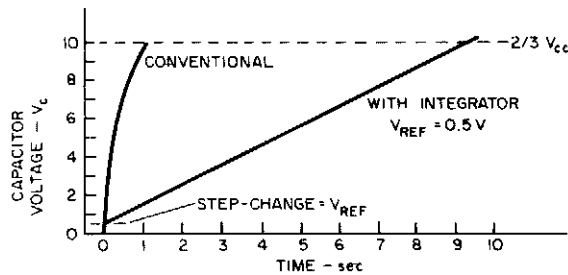
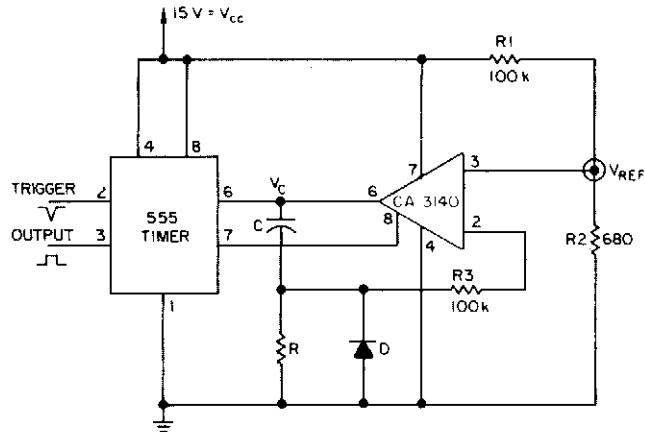


Fig. 105-2

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## LOW-COST INTEGRATOR MULTIPLIES 555 TIMER'S DELAY



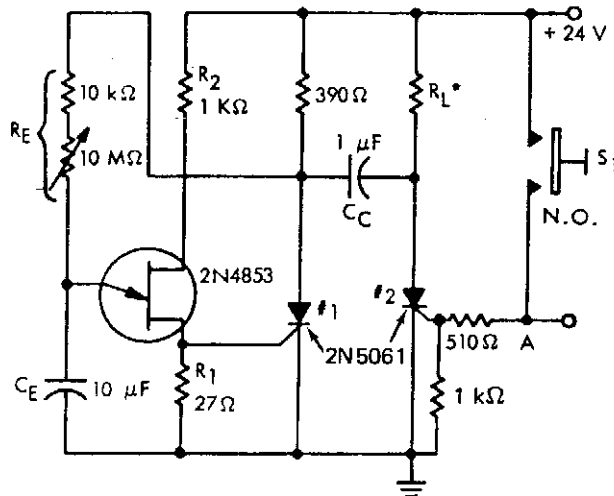
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 105-3

### Circuit Notes

Long delay times can be derived from a 555 timer with reasonably sized capacitors if an integrator circuit is used. The capacitor's charging time with an integrator circuit can be much longer than with a conventional 555-timer configuration.

### SIMPLE TIME-DELAY CIRCUIT USING TWO SCRs



\*Value of  $R_L$  must be low enough to allow hold current to flow in the SCR.

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Fig. 105-4

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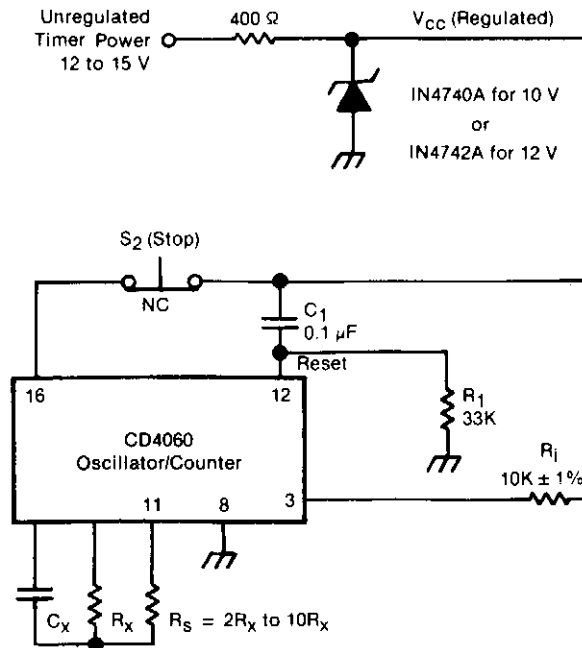
## Timers

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Long-Term Electronic Timer  
Timer with Alarm  
Timer Circuit  
PUT Long Duration Timer  
Programmable Voltage Controlled Timer  
Low Power Microprocessor Programmable Interval  
Timer  
Precision Elapsed Time/Countdown Timer  
Adjustable AC Timer .2 to 10 sec.

## LONG-TERM ELECTRONIC TIMER

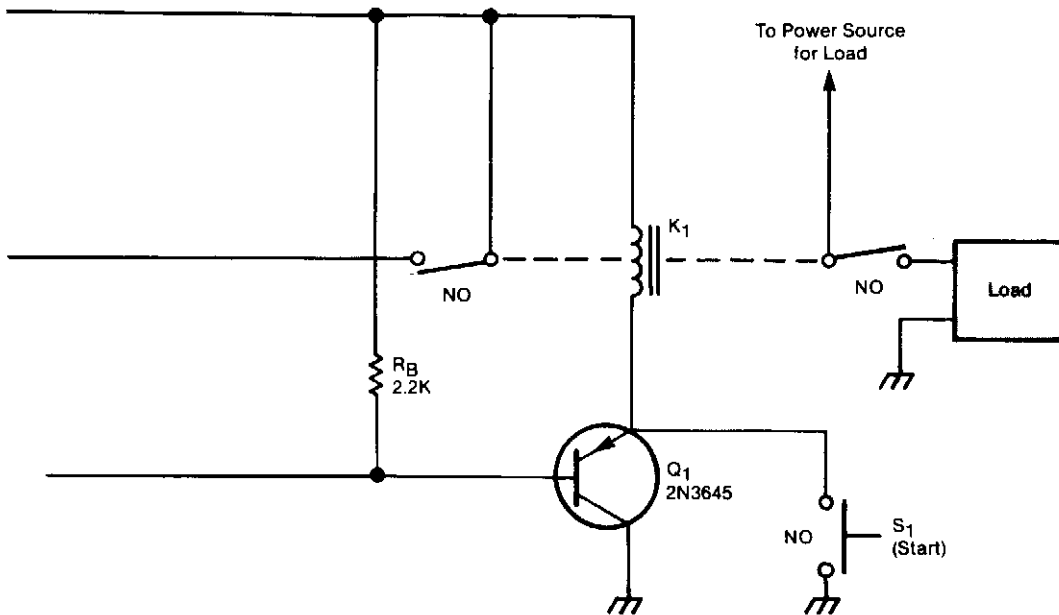


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Fig. 106-1

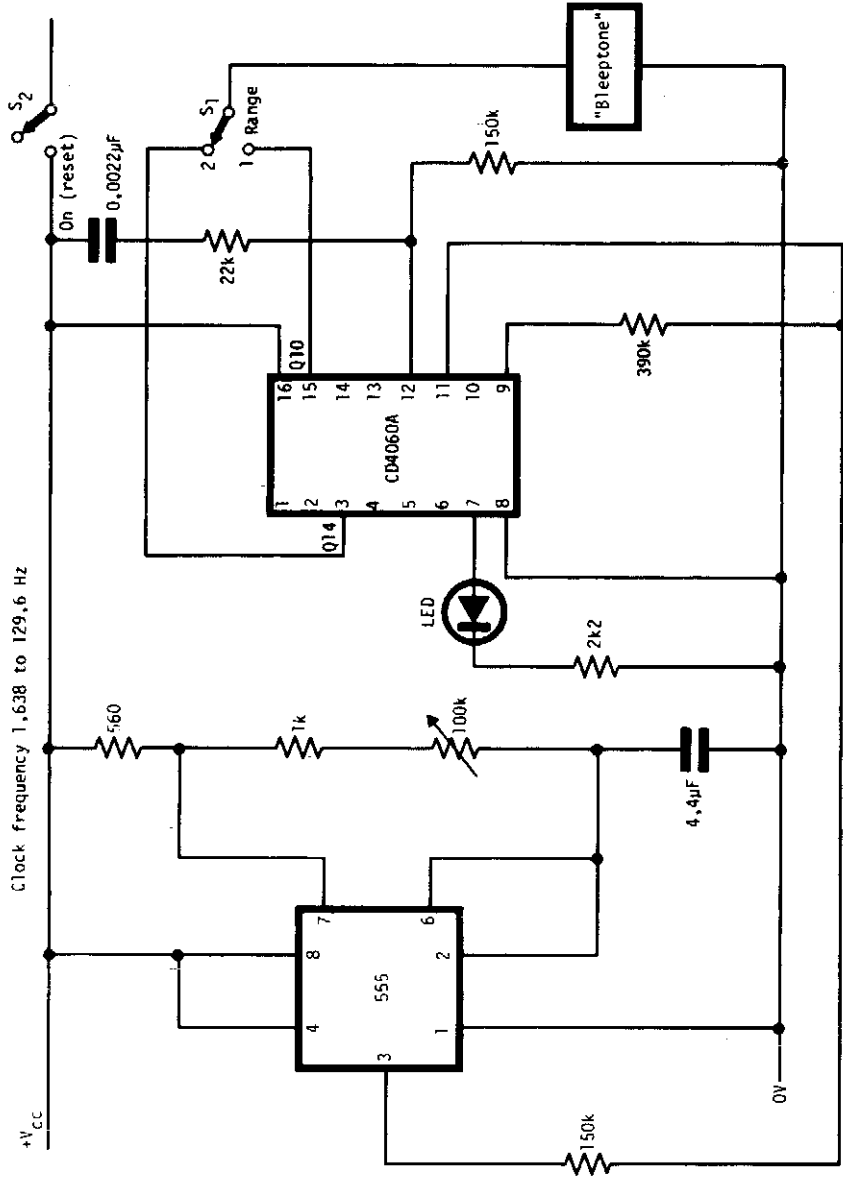
### Circuit Notes

The timer includes an oscillator and a counter in an integrated circuit. The timing interval equals the oscillator period multiplied by the number of cycles to be counted. The oscillator frequency depends upon resistor  $R_S$  and capacitor  $C_X$ . The number of oscillator cycles to be counted before the counter output changes state is determined by the selection of the counter output terminal, shown here as pin 3. The interval can be set anywhere in the range from fractions of a second to months; it is given by  $T = 0.55 R_S C_X 2^n$ , where  $n$  is an integer determined by the counter-output selection. Operation is initiated by the closure of momentary switch  $S_1$  (or by a command signal having a similar effect). This grounds one side of relay  $K_1$ , thereby activating the relay



and causing the closure of the switches that supply power to the timer and to the load. The turn-on of  $V_{CC}$  at the timer is coupled through C1 to the counter-reset terminal, thus resetting the counter. The initial reset voltage transient is then drained away through R1 to permit normal operation. During the first half cycle of the counter operation, the counter output voltage (at pin 3 in this case) is low. This turns on transistor Q1 so that relay K1 latches on, enabling the timer to continue running even though switch S1 has opened. The oscillator runs while the relay is on. When the number of oscillator cycles reaches the limit, the counter output voltage at pin 3 goes high. This turns off Q1, thereby turning off the relay and returning the system to the original "power-off" state to await the next starting command. The timing cycle can also be interrupted and the system turned off by opening normally-closed switch S2.

# TIMER WITH ALARM



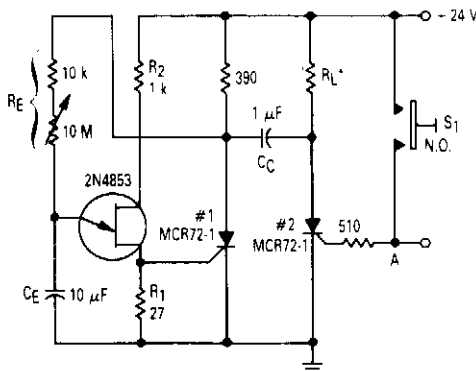
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Fig. 106-2

## Circuit Notes

The circuit has two ranges: 10 secs to 5 mins and 1 min to 80 mins. It can be powered by a 9-V battery. With the LED connected as shown a reasonable frequency of flashing occurs throughout the range of operation. This circuit is reset when S2 is closed.

## TIMER CIRCUIT



\*VALUE OF  $R_L$  MUST BE LOW ENOUGH TO ALLOW HOLD CURRENT TO FLOW IN THE SCR.

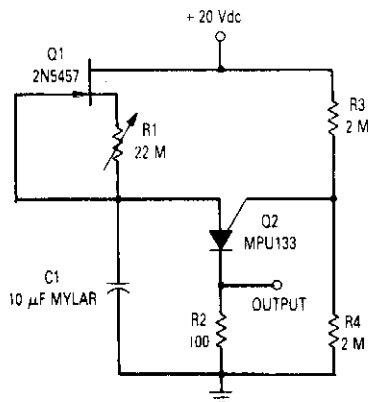
MOTOROLA

Fig. 106-3

### Circuit Notes

After one cycle of operation, SCR 1 will be on, and a low value of voltage is applied to the UJT emitter circuit, interrupting the timing function. When pushbutton S1 is pushed, or a positive going pulse is applied at point A, SCR 2 will turn on, and SCR 1 will be turned off by commutating capacitor CC. With SCR 1 off, the supply voltage will be applied to RE and the circuit will begin timing again. After a period of time determined by the setting of RE, the UJT will fire and turn SCR 1 on and commutate SCR 2 off. The time delay is determined by the charge time of the capacitor.

## PUT LONG DURATION TIMER



### Circuit Notes

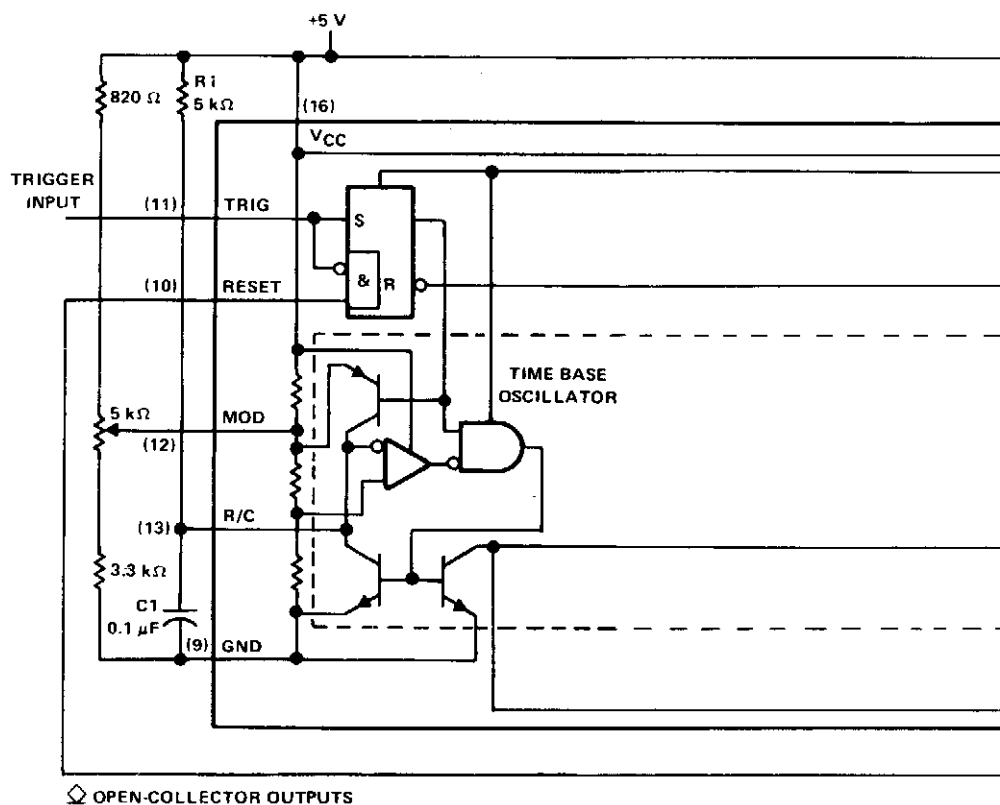
The time circuit can provide a time delay of up to 20 minutes. The circuit is a standard relaxation oscillator with a FET current source in which resistor R1 is used to provide reverse bias on the gate-to-source of the JFET. This turns the JFET off and increases the charging time of C1. C1 should be a low leakage capacitor such as a mylar type.

MOTOROLA

Fig. 106-4



## PROGRAMMABLE VOLTAGE CONTROLLED TIMER

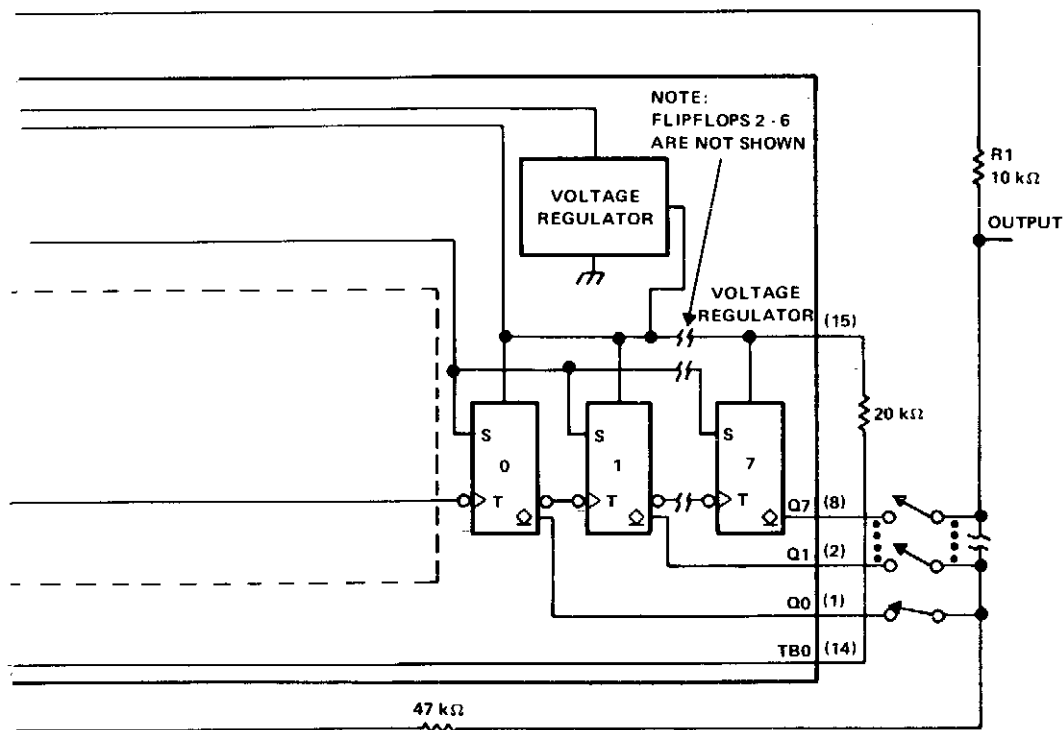


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Fig. 106-5

### Circuit Notes

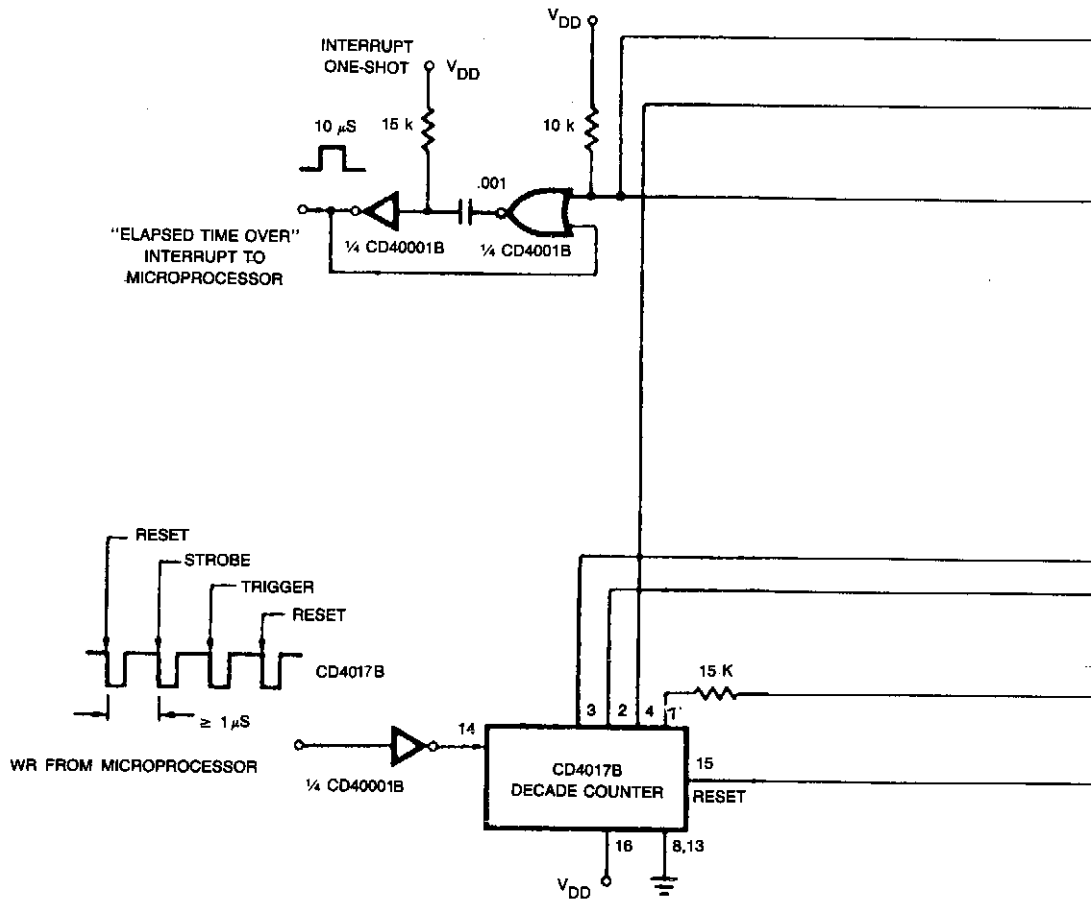
The  $\mu\text{A}2240$  may easily be configured as a programmable voltage controlled timer with a minimum number of external components. The modulation input (pin 12), which allows external adjustment of the input threshold level. A variable voltage is applied from the arm of a 10 k ohm potentiometer connected from  $V_{CC}$  to ground. A change in the modulation input voltage will result in a change in the time base oscillator frequency and the period of the time base output (TBO). The TBO has an open-collector output that



is connected to the regulator output via a 10 k ohm pull-up resistor. The output of the TBO drives the input to the 8-stage counter section.

At start-up, a positive trigger pulse starts the TBO and sets all counter outputs to a low state. The binary outputs are open-collector stages that may be connected together to the 10 k ohm pull-up resistor to provide a "wired-OR" output function. This circuit may be used to generate 255 discrete time delays that are integer multiples of the time-base period. The total delay is the sum of the number of time-base periods, which is the binary sum of the Q outputs connected. Delays from 200  $\mu$ s to 0.223 s are possible with this configuration.

## LOW POWER MICROPROCESSOR PROGRAMMABLE INTERVAL TIMER

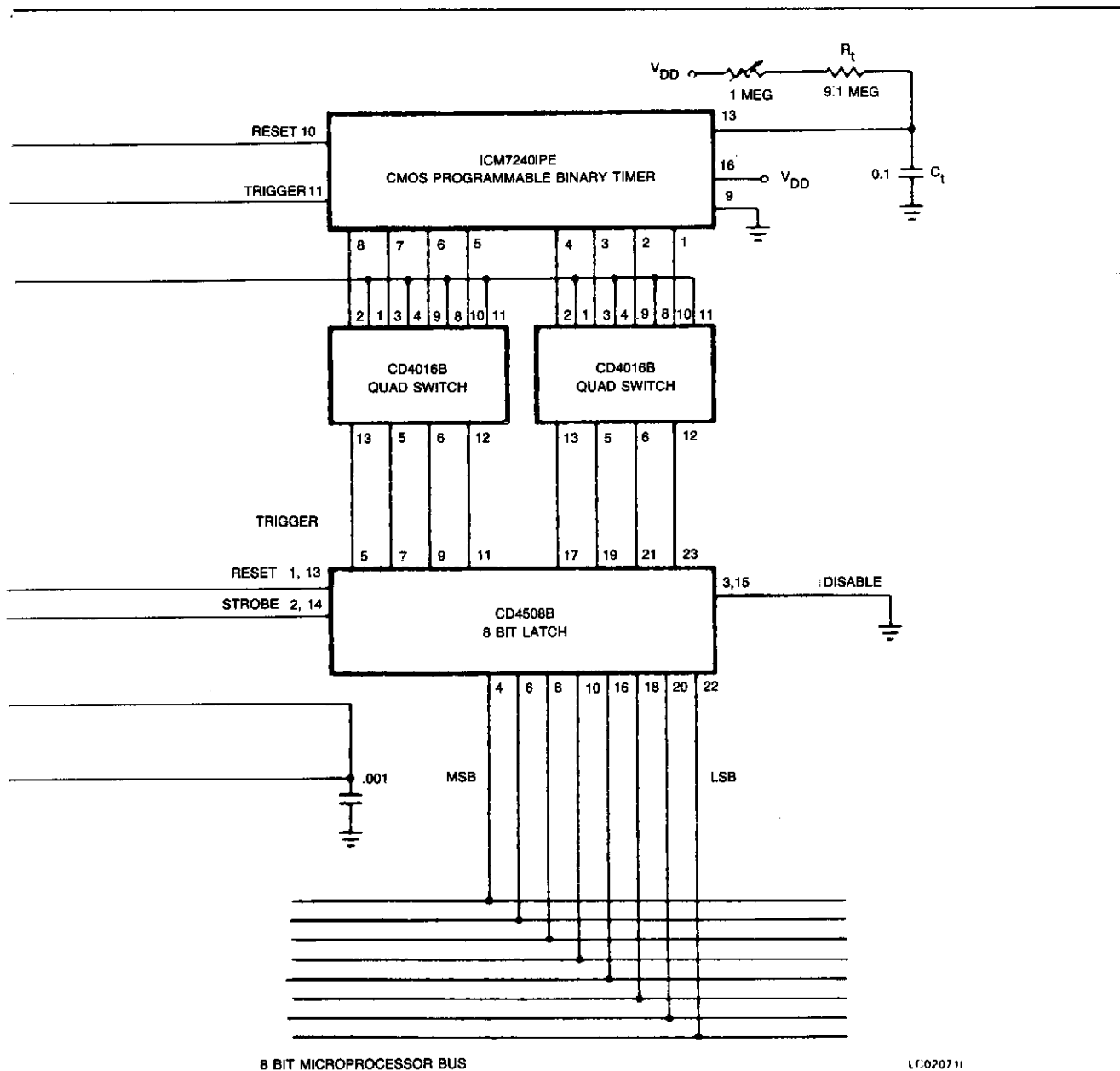


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Fig. 106-6

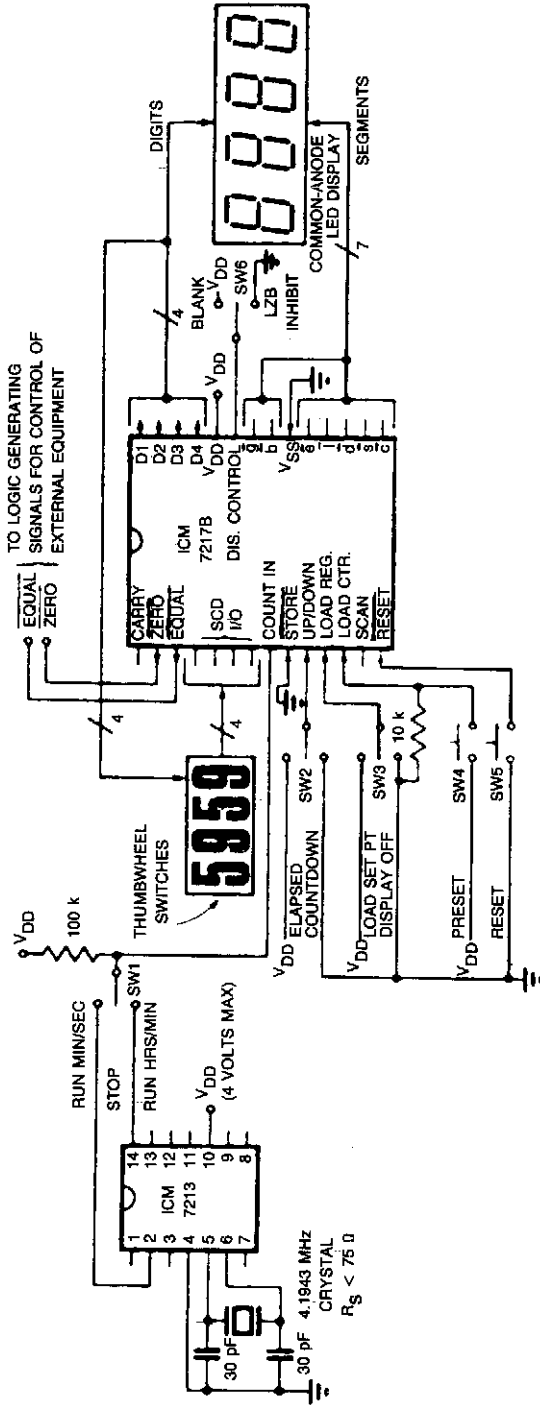
### Circuit Notes

The microprocessor sends out an 8-bit binary code on its 8-bit I/O bus (the binary value needed to program the ICM7240), followed by four WRITE pulses into the CD4017B decade counter. The first pulse resets the 8-bit latch, the second strobes the binary value into the 8-bit latch, the third triggers the ICM7240 to begin its timing cycle and the fourth resets the decade counter. The ICM7240 then counts the interval of time



determined by the R-C value on pin 13, and the programmed binary count on pins 1 through 8. At the end of the programmed time interval, the interrupt one-shot is triggered, informing the microprocessor that the programmed time interval is over. With a resistor of approximately 10 M ohm and a can capacitor of 0.1  $\mu F$ , the time base of the ICM7240 is one second. Thus, a time of 1-255 seconds can be programmed by the microprocessor, and by varying R or C, longer or shorter time bases can be selected.

# PRECISION ELAPSED TIME/COUNTDOWN TIMER



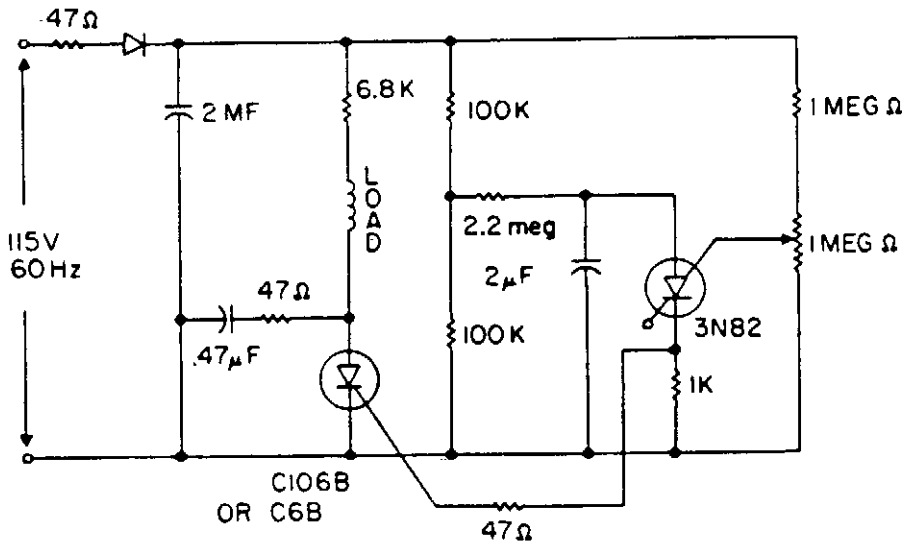
INTERSIL

Fig. 106-7

## Circuit Notes

The circuit uses an ICM7213 precision one minute/one second timebase generator using a 4.1943 MHz crystal for generating pulses counted by an ICM7217B. The thumbwheel switches allow a starting time to be entered into the counter for a preset-countdown type timer, and allow the register to be set for compare functions. For instance, to make a 24-hour clock with BCD output the register can be preset with 2400 and the EQUAL output used to reset the counter. Note the 10 k resistor connected between the LOAD COUNTER terminal and ground. This resistor pulls the LOAD COUNTER input low when not loading, thereby inhibiting the BCD output drivers. This resistor should be eliminated and SW4 replaced with an SPDT center-off switch if the BCD outputs are to be used.

### ADJUSTABLE AC TIMER .2 TO 10 SEC.



GENERAL ELECTRIC

Fig. 106-8

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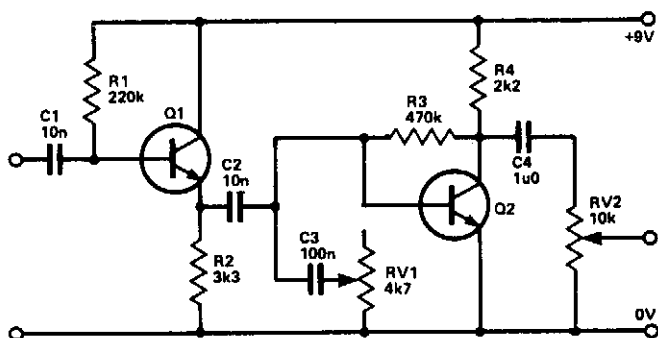
## Tone Control Circuits

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Guitar Treble Boost  
Tone Control  
Ten Band Graphic Equalizer, Using Active Filters  
Tone-Control Audio Amplifier  
Mike Preamp with Tone Control  
Low Cost High-Level Preamp and Tone Control  
Circuit  
Passive Tone-Control Circuit

## GUITAR TREBLE BOOST



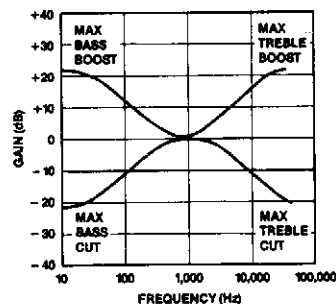
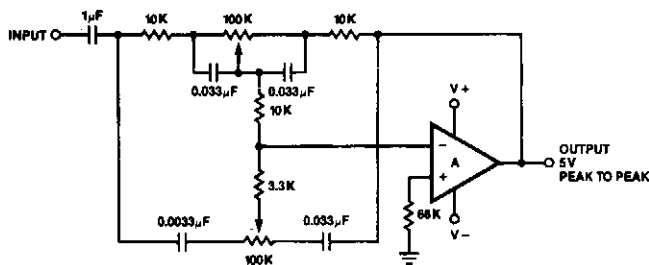
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Fig. 107-1

### Circuit Notes

Q1 is connected as an emitter follower in order to present a high input impedance to the guitar. C2, being a relatively low capacitance, cuts out most of the bass, and C3 with RV1 acts as a simple tone control to cut the treble, and hence the amount of treble boost can be altered. Q2 is a simple preamp to recover signal losses in C2, C3, and RV1.

## TONE CONTROL



TC066505

OP14905

### NOTES:

1. Amplifier A may be a NE531 or 301. Frequency compensation, as for unity gain non-inverting amplifiers, must be used.
2. Turn-over frequency — 1kHz.
3. Bass boost + 20dB at 20Hz, bass cut - 20dB at 20Hz, treble boost + 19dB at 20Hz, treble cut - 19dB at 20Hz.

All resistor values are in ohms.

### SIGNETICS

Fig. 107-2

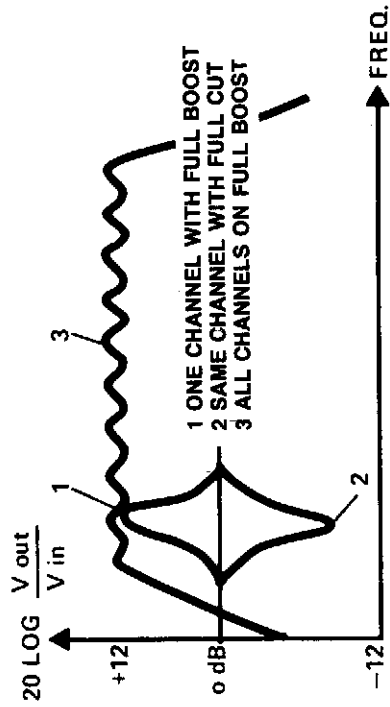
### Circuit Notes

Tone control of audio systems involves altering the flat response in order to attain more low frequencies or more high ones, dependent upon listener preference. The circuit provides 20 dB of bass or treble boost or cut as set by the variable resistance. The actual response of the circuit is shown also.





| CHANNEL CENTRE FREQ. IN Hz | C1   | C2   |
|----------------------------|------|------|
| 32                         | 180n | 18n  |
| 64                         | 100n | 10n  |
| 125                        | 47n  | 4n7  |
| 250                        | 22n  | 2n2  |
| 500                        | 12n  | 1n2  |
| 1000                       | 5n6  | 560p |
| 2000                       | 2n7  | 270p |
| 4000                       | 1n5  | 150p |
| 8000                       | 680p | 68p  |
| 16000                      | 360p | 36p  |



### Circuit Notes

The above circuit is repeated ten times. Use the table to calculate values.

# TONE-CONTROL AUDIO AMPLIFIER

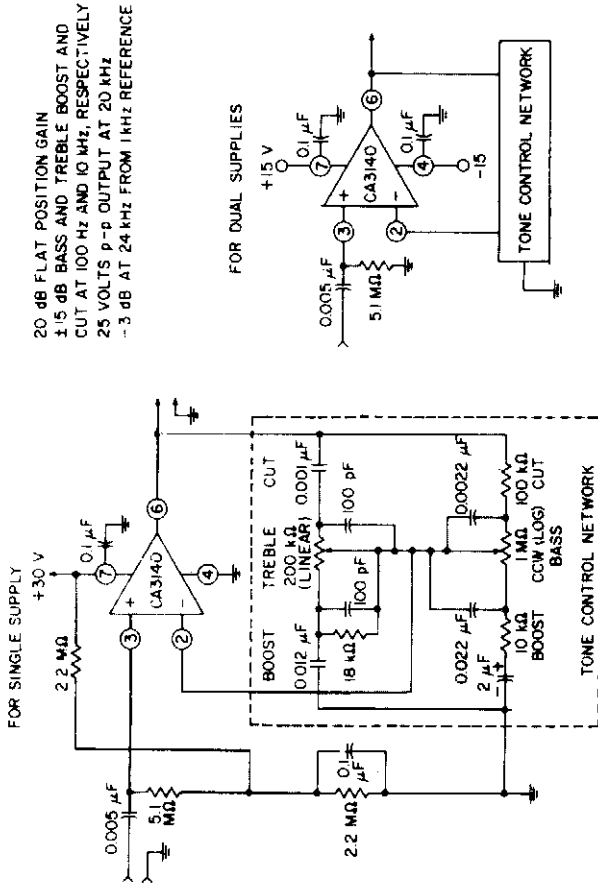
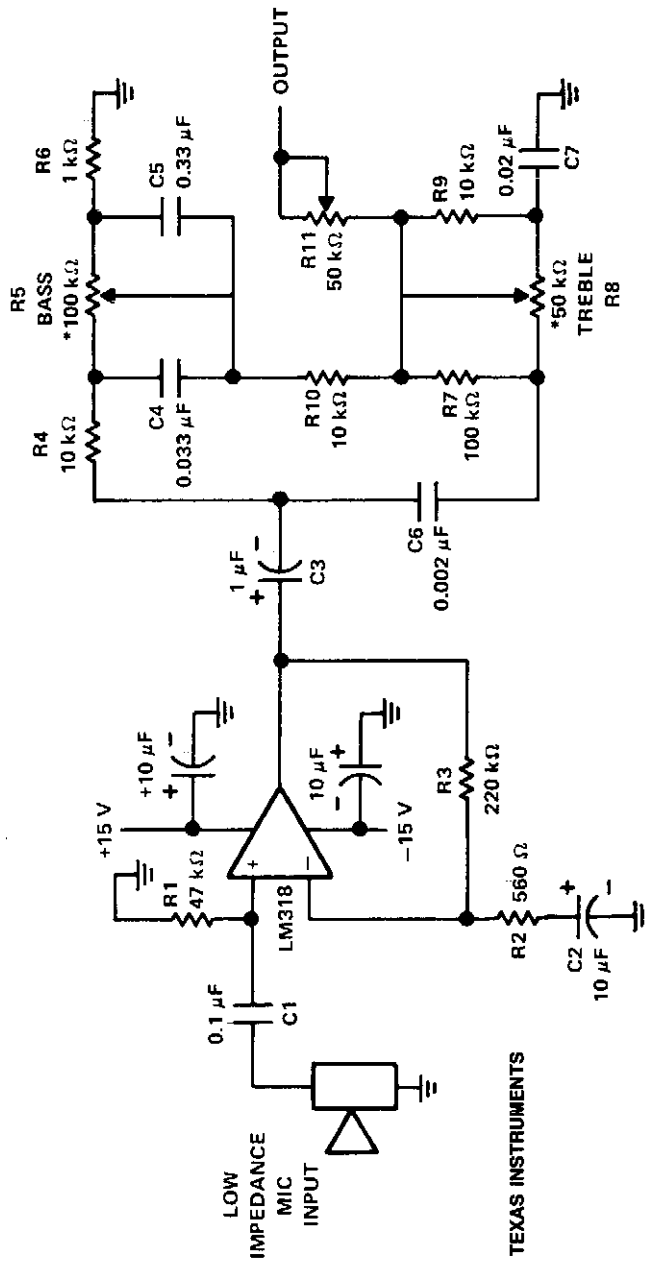


Fig. 107-4

## Circuit Notes

The circuit makes excellent use of the high slew rate, wide bandwidth, high input impedance, and high-output voltage capability of the CA3140 BiMOS op amp. The wideband gain of this circuit is equal to the ultimate boost or cut plus one, in this case a gain of eleven. For 20-dB boost or cut, input loading is essentially equal to the resistance from terminal 3 to ground.

## MIKE PREAMP WITH TONE CONTROL



\*THE TONE CONTROLS ARE AUDIO TAPER (LOG) POTENTIOMETERS.

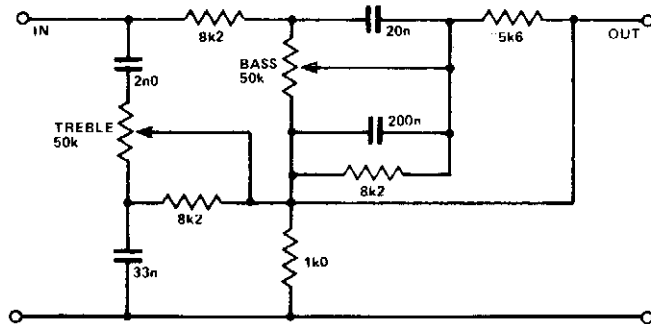
Fig. 107-5

### Circuit Notes

The LM318 op amp is operated as a standard non-inverting amplifier. Resistor R1 (47 k ohm) provides an input path to ground for the bias current of the non-inverting input. The combination of R2 (560 ohm) and C2 (10  $\mu$ F) provides a frequency roll-off below 30 Hz. At 30 Hz and above the gain is relatively flat at about 50 dB, set by the ratio R3/R2. R3 (200 k ohm) furnishes negative feedback from the output to the inverting input of the op amp. C3 (1.0  $\mu$ F electrolytic) ac couples the preamp to the tone control section. The top half of the tone control section is the bass control. The bottom half controls the treble frequency response. These tone controls (R5 and R8) require audio taper (logarithmic) potentiometers. The 50 k ohm potentiometer on the output can be used to set the output or gain of the preamp.



## PASSIVE TONE-CONTROL CIRCUIT



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*Fig. 107-7*

### Circuit Notes

A simple circuit using two potentiometers and easily available standard value components provides tone control. The impedance level is suitable for low-level transistor or op amp circuitry.

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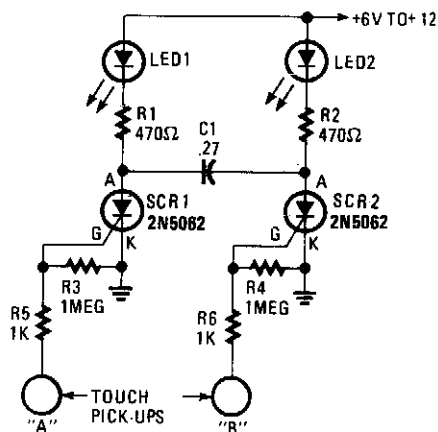
## Touch-Switch Circuits

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Touch On/Off Switch  
Touch Switch  
Touchomatic

## TOUCH ON/OFF SWITCH



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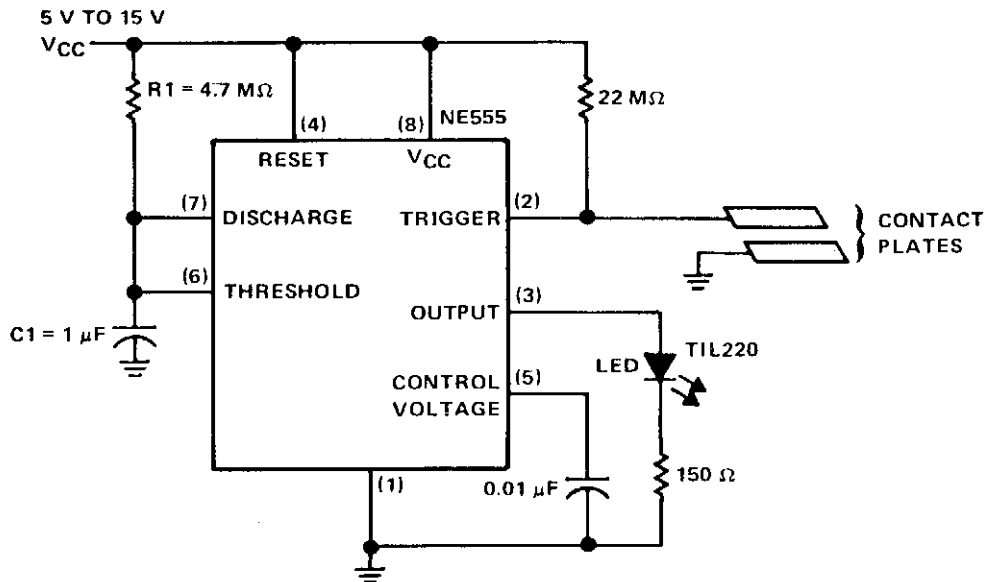
Fig. 108-1

### Circuit Notes

If a Touch On/Off Switch is desired, this circuit fills the bill. Two sensitive gate SCRs are interconnected, so that when one of the devices is turned on, the other (if on) is forced off. That toggling effect gives an on/off circuit condition for each of the LEDs in the SCR-anode circuits. To turn LED1 on and LED2 off, simply touch the "A" terminal, and to turn LED1 off and LED2 on, the "B" pick-up must be touched. It is possible to simultaneously touch both terminals, causing both SCRs to turn on together. To reset the circuit to the normal one-on/one-off condition, momentarily interrupt the circuit's dc power source. Additional circuitry can be connected to the anode circuit of either or both SCRs to be controlled by the on/off function of the touch switch.



## TOUCH SWITCH



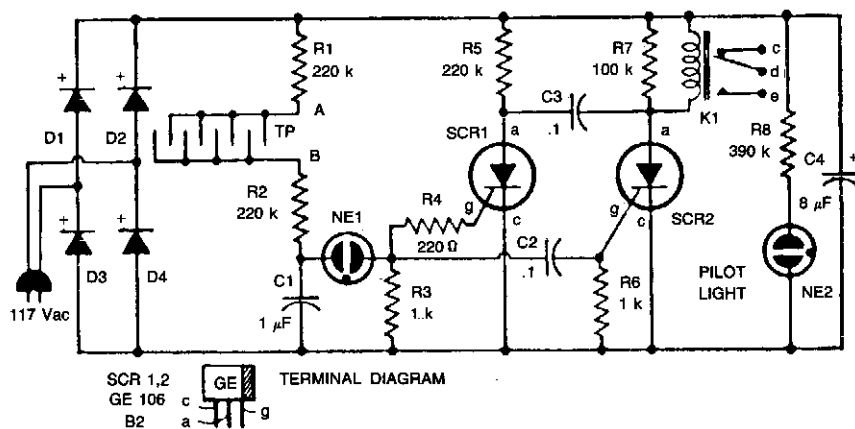
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Fig. 108-2

### Circuit Notes

The circuit is basically a NE555 monostable, the only major difference being its method of triggering. The trigger input is biased to a high value by the 22 M ohm resistor. When the contact plates are touched, the skin resistance of the operator will lower the overall impedance from pin 2 to ground. This action will reduce the voltage at the trigger input to below the  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$  trigger threshold and the timer will start. The output pulse width will be  $T = 1.1 R_1 C_1$ , in this circuit about 5 seconds. A relay connected from pin 3 to ground instead of the LED and resistor could be used to perform a switching function.

## TOUCHOMATIC



TAB BOOKS, INC.

Fig. 108-3

### Circuit Notes

When someone touches the touchplate (TP), the resistance of his finger across points A and B is added in series to the combination of R1 and R2, the capacitor C2 begins to charge. When the voltage across C1 is finally sufficient to fire NE1, C1 will begin to discharge. When NE1 fires, it produces a short between its terminals. Since R3 is connected across C1, they are effectively in series after NE1 fires. A voltage spike will then be passed by C2 and this will act as a positive triggering pulse. The pulse is fed to both SCR gates: SCR2 conducts, thereby closing relay K1. With a finger no longer on the touchplate, no more pulses are forthcoming because the C1 charge path is open. The next contact with the touchplate will produce a pulse which triggers SCR1. SCR2 is now off by capacitor C3 which was charged by current passing through R6 and SCR2. The firing of SCR1 in this way places a negative voltage across SCR2 which momentarily drops the relay current to a point below the holding current value of SCR2. (Holding current is the minimum current an SCR requires to remain in a conducting state once its gate voltage is removed.) With SCR2 turned off, the relay will open and SCR1 will turn off due to the large resistance in series with its anode. Starved in this way SCR1 turns off because of a forced lack of holding current.

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To Sheryl Melissa,  
a budding scholar  
From Popsi

## Preface

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Volume III of *The Encyclopedia of Electronic Circuits* adds about 1,000 new circuits to the ready-to-use files that were established by the publication of volumes I and II of this set of circuits encyclopedias.

These three volumes now offer an invaluable storehouse of about 3,000 carefully arranged and categorized, easy-to-access circuits. Volume IV is scheduled for publication in 1992.

Once again it gives me great pleasure to extend my gratitude to William Sheets for his comments and contributions, and to Mrs. Stella Dillon for her virtuoso performance on the word processor.

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## Active Antennas

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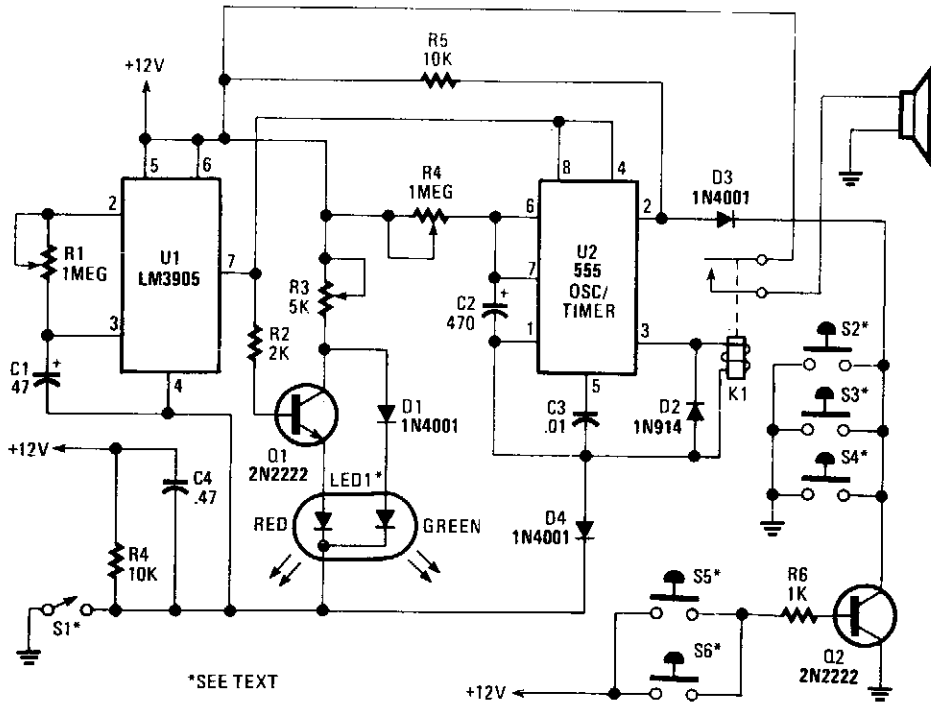
# Alarm and Security Circuits

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Auto Alarm  
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Semiconductor Fail-Safe Alarm  
Single-IC Auto Alarm  
Burglar Alarm  
Burglar Alarm

## AUTO ALARM



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 2-1

In operation, the alarm circuit allows a 0–47 second time delay, as determined by the R1/C1 combination, after the switch is armed to allow the vehicle's motion sensor to settle down. This allows you time to get a bag of groceries out of the trunk and not have the hassle of juggling the groceries and the key switch at once.

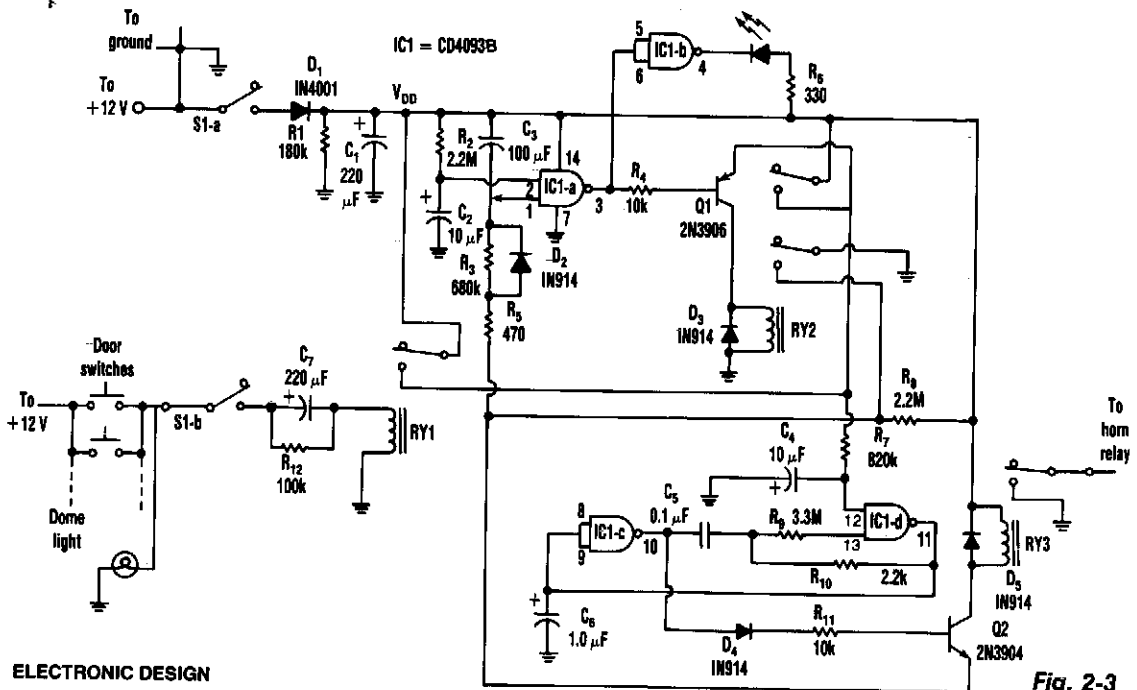
During the time delay, half of LED1, which is actually a single, bi-colored, three-legged common cathode device, lights green. At the same time, pins 8 and 4 of U2 (a 555 oscillator/timer) are held low by U1 (a 3905 oscillator/timer), causing the alarm to remain silent. Once the delay is over, LED1 turns red, indicating that the circuit is armed.

At that point, a ground at pin 2 of U2 forces pin 3 of U2 high, closing the contacts of K1 and sounding the siren for a time duration determined by R4 and C2. Once the time has elapsed, pin 3 is pulled low, K1 opens, and the circuit is again ready to go. The circuit can be manually reset by the simple expedient of opening and closing the key switch. Potentiometer R3 controls the LED's illumination intensity. Diode D1 ensures that the green segment of LED1 is fully extinguished when Q1 is turned on—which turns the LED to red. Resistors R4 and R5 must be connected to the +V bus, not to pin 7 of U1, otherwise U2 will mysteriously trigger itself each time the initial delay ends.





## SEMICONDUCTOR FAIL-SAFE ALARM



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 2-3

False alarms produced by semiconductor failure are impossible with this burglar-alarm circuit equipped with relays. What's more, the circuit is virtually immune to false triggering. With a standby current of less than 0.1 mA, the circuit offers all the features an alarm needs: entry and exit delays, a timed alarm period, and automatic reset after an intrusion.

One CMOS CD4093B quad NAND gate, IC1, supplies both logic and analog timing functions with the aid of Schmitt-trigger switching action. Relays make the circuit fail-safe in the alarm-active mode, even when the semiconductors fail. The relays are 12-V, with coil resistances of 250 Ω or more.

Closing switch S1 initiates circuit operation. Capacitor C2 begins charging through resistor R2 and arming indicator LED1 lights. When pin 2 of IC1a reaches its switching point, its output decreases, extinguishing LED1 and indicating that the exit delay has ended. That output also drives the base of Q1 low, so that if the emitter circuit completes to the  $V_{DD}$  line, Q1 conducts. The circuit is now armed, and current drain drops to less than 0.1 mA.

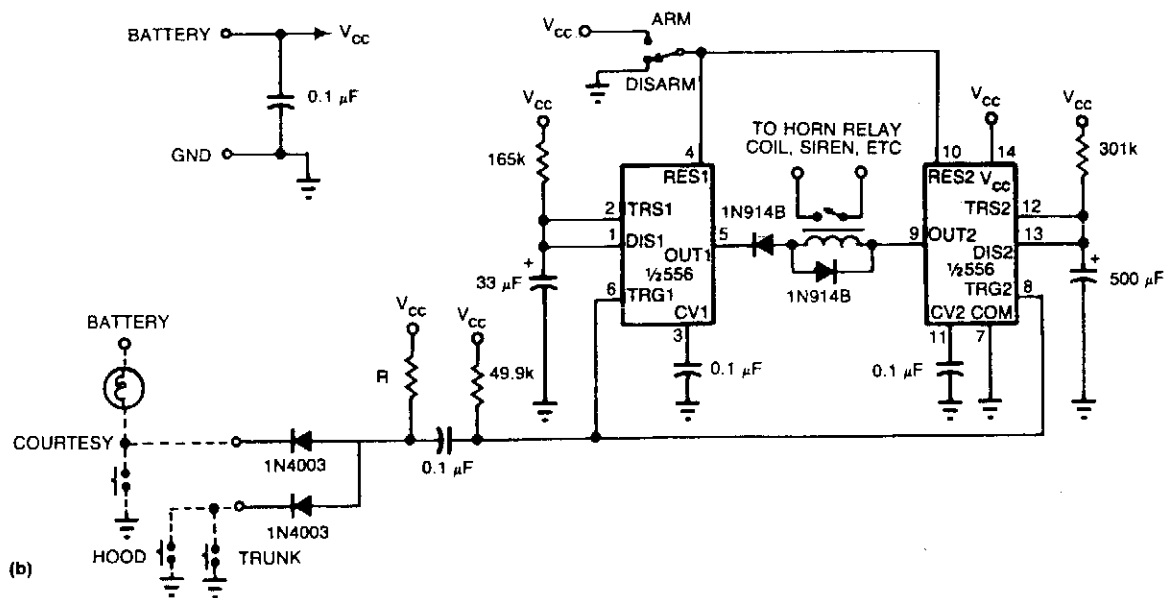
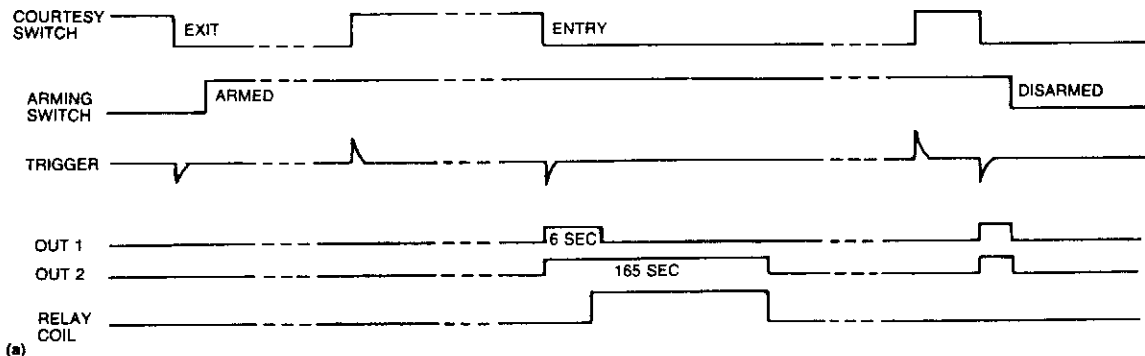
When the vehicle is entered, relay RY1 contacts close momentarily, completing the emitter circuit of Q1 and causing the RY2 contacts to close. Charging C4 through R7 determines the entry-delay period. If the system isn't turned off by opening S1 during this period, the oscillator circuit of IC1c and IC1d activates, and a rapid on/off horn-honking cycle kicks on with the aid of Q2 and RY3.

The alarm cycle ends after about a minute, when C2 charges through R3 to the threshold voltage of IC1a at pin 1. This voltage resets the timing circuit, readying it for another entry/alarm cycle.

RY1 is connected for vehicles that use door switches connected to +12 V. For vehicles that use grounding door switches, the bottom of the RY1 coil should connect to +12 V instead of ground. In the latter case, the polarity of C7 should be reversed.

For home use, the R3C3 time constant should be increased to give a longer alarm.

## SINGLE-IC AUTO ALARM

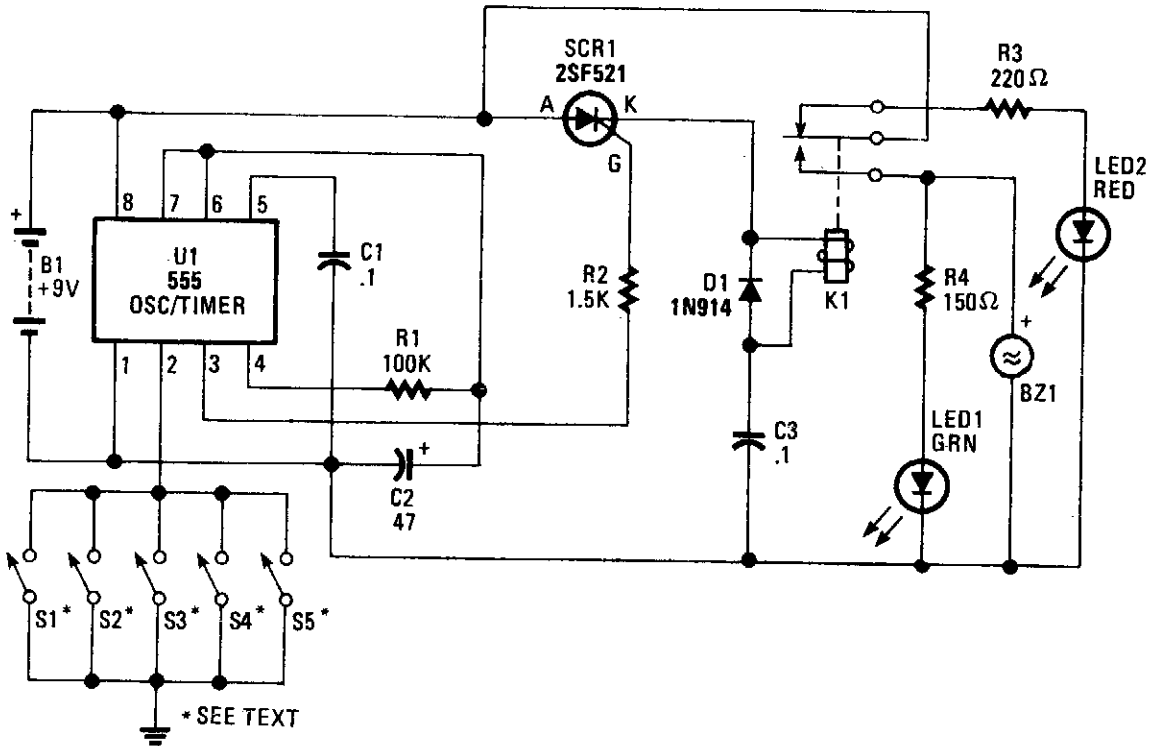


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Fig. 2-4

See (a) for the timing information for the alarm circuit in (b). When leaving your vehicle, flip the arming switch and close the door to arm the device. Subsequent opening of an entrance triggers both timers. After the expiration of the entry delay timer, the alarm sounds for a time determined by the second timer. The value of  $R$  should be less than  $1\text{ K}\Omega$ . If you use an incandescent lamp instead of a resistor, you get an extra function—an open-entrance indicator. By keeping the resistance low, you avoid false tripping should water collect under the hood. If your door switch connects the courtesy light to 12 V rather than ground, use a single transistor as an inverter at the input.

## BURGLAR ALARM



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 2-5

The heart of the circuit is a 555 oscillator/timer, U1, configured for monostable operation. The output of U1 at pin 3 is tied to the gate of SCR1. As long as S1 – S5, which are connected to the trigger input of U1, are open, the circuit remains in the ready state, and does not trigger SCR1 into conduction. Because the relay is not energized, battery current is routed through the relay's normally-closed terminal and through current-limiting resistor R3 to LED2, causing it to light.

However, when one of the switches (S1 – S5) is closed, grounding U1 pin 2, the output of U1 at pin 3 increases, activating SCR1. That energizes the relay, pulling the wiper of K1 to the normally-open terminal, causing LED1 to light and BZ1 to sound.

The duration of the output is determined by the RC time-constant circuit, formed by R1 and C1. Resistor R2 regulates the output of U1 to a safe value for the gate of SCR1. Switches S1 – S5 are to doors, windows, etc. A switch can be connected in series with B1 to activate and deactivate the alarm circuit when it's not needed.

# BURGLAR ALARM

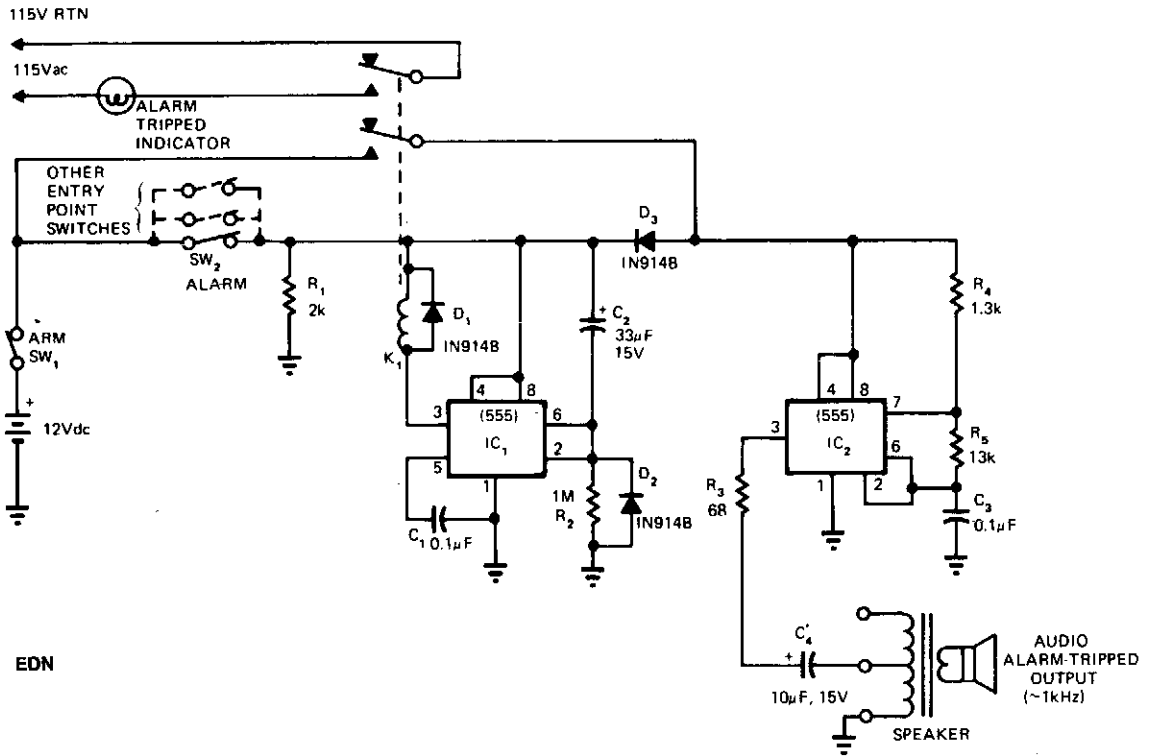


Fig. 2-6

This circuit cannot be shut off for 10 to 60 seconds—even if the trip condition is immediately removed. It draws no standby power from the battery and is self-resetting.

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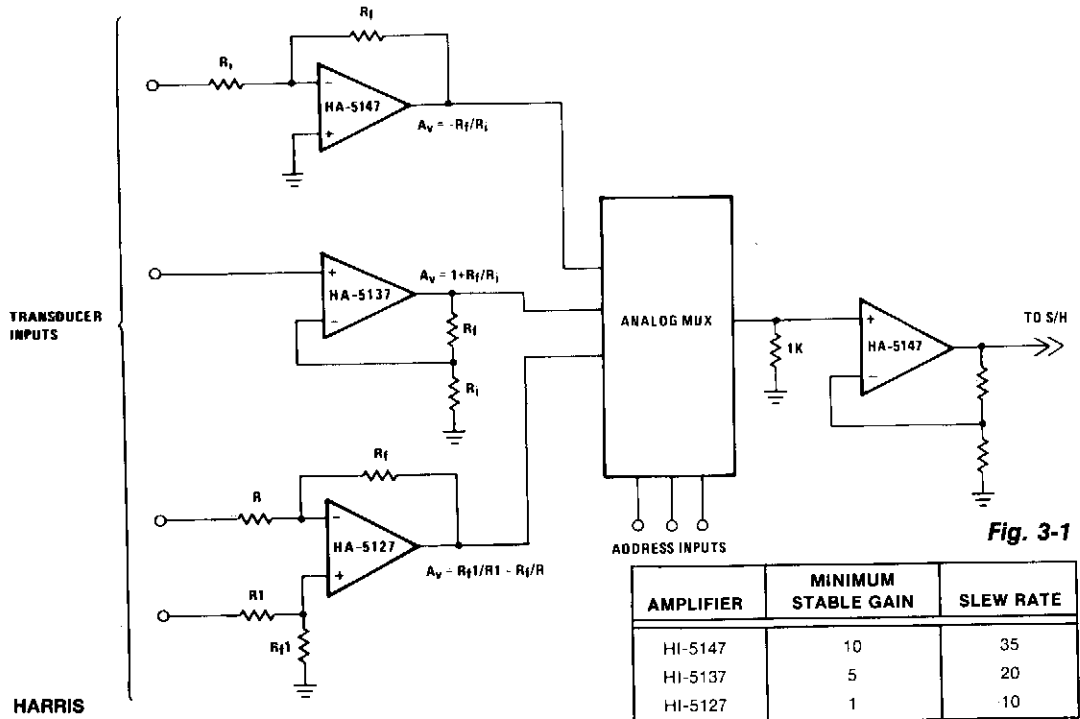
## Amplifiers

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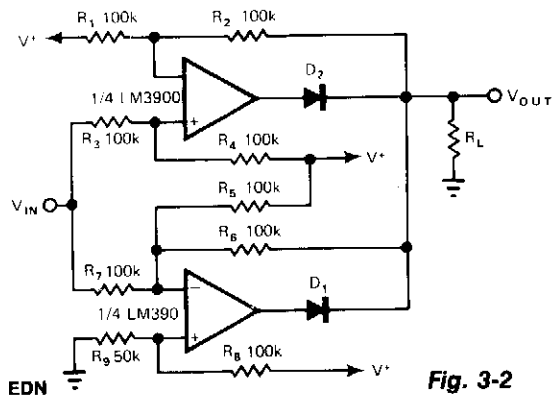
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| Input/Output Buffer Amplifier for<br>Analog Multiplexers | Polarity-Reversing Low-Power Amplifier                    |
| Absolute-Value Norton Amplifier                          | Summing Amplifier   |
| Intrinsically Safe Protected Op Amp                      | Ac-Coupled Dynamic Amplifier                              |
| $\pm 15$ -V Chopper Amplifier                            | Forward-Current Booster                                   |
| Composite Amplifier                                      | Dc-Stabilized Fast Amplifier                              |
| Cascaded Amplifier                                       | Write Amplifier   |
| Inverting Amplifier                                      | Low-Noise Photodiode Amplifier                            |
| Noninverting Amplifier                                   | Voltage-Follower Amplifier for<br>Signal-Supply Operation |
| Differential Amplifier                                   | Current-Shunt Amplifier                                   |
| Active Clamp-Limiting Amplifier                          | Constant-Bandwidth Amplifier                              |
| Wide-Band AGC Amplifier                                  |   |

## INPUT/OUTPUT BUFFER AMPLIFIER FOR ANALOG MULTIPLEXERS



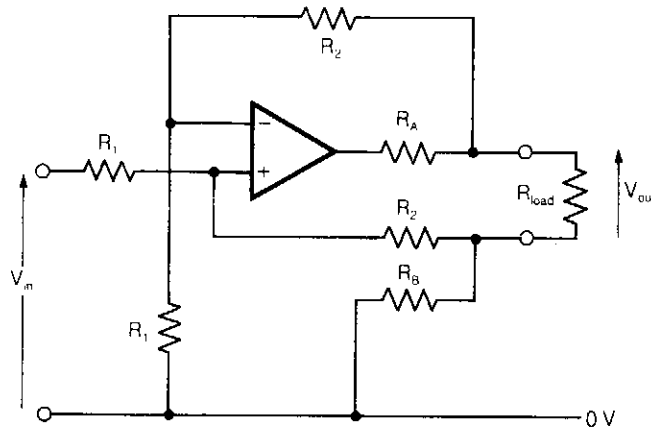
The precision input characteristics of the HA-5147 help simplify system *error budgets*, while its speed and drive capabilities provide fast charging of the multiplexer's output capacitance. This speed eliminates an increased multiplexer acquisition time, which can be induced by more limited amplifiers. The HA-5147 accurately transfers information to the next stage while effectively reducing any loading effects on the multiplexer's output.

## ABSOLUTE VALUE NORTON AMPLIFIER



The noninverting amplifier has a gain of  $R_2/R_3$  (1 in this case) and produces a voltage of  $V_{out}$  during a positive excursion of  $V_{in}$  with respect to ground. The inverting amplifier accommodates the negative excursions of  $V_{in}$ ; its gain is given by  $-R_6/R_7$ , which equals  $-1$  to maintain symmetry with the noninverting amplifier.  $R_9$  provides adjustment for the symmetry, supply variations, and offsets. Even though the circuit operates on a single supply,  $V_{in}$  can go negative to the same extent that it goes positive.

## INTRINSICALLY SAFE PROTECTED OP AMP



ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

Fig. 3-3

In intrinsically safe applications, it is sometimes necessary to separate sections of circuitry by resistors which limit current under fault conditions. The circuit shown provides an accurate analogue output with effectively zero output impedance, despite having resistors in series with the output. The output voltage is given by:

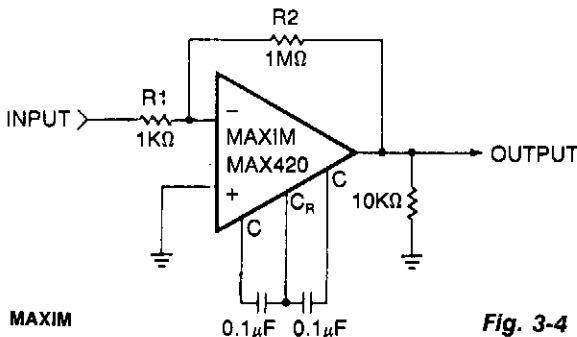
$$V_{out} = \frac{V_{in} R_2}{R_1}$$

which is independent of  $R_A$  and  $R_B$ . The values of  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  should be chosen to achieve the desired current limiting, but note that a proportion of the voltage given at the op-amp output will be dropped across these resistors. This limits the output swing at the load to approximately:

$$\frac{V_S R_{load}}{R_A + R_B + R_{load}}$$

where:  $V_S$  = voltage swing at the op-amp output. Any type of op amp would be suitable.

## ± 15-V CHOPPER AMPLIFIER

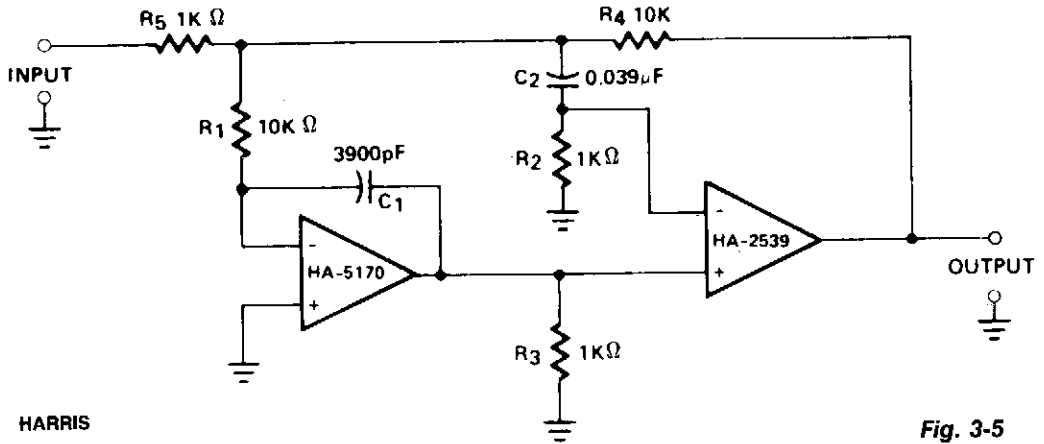


MAXIM

Fig. 3-4

This simple circuit is a gain-of-1000 inverting amplifier. It will amplify submillivolt signals up to signal levels suitable for further processing. In almost all system applications, it is best to use as much gain as possible in the MAX420, thus minimizing the effects of later-stage offsets. For example, if circuitry following the MAX420 has an offset of 5 mV, the additional offset referred back to the MAX420 input (gain = 1000) will be 5 μV, doubling the system's offset error.

## COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 3-5

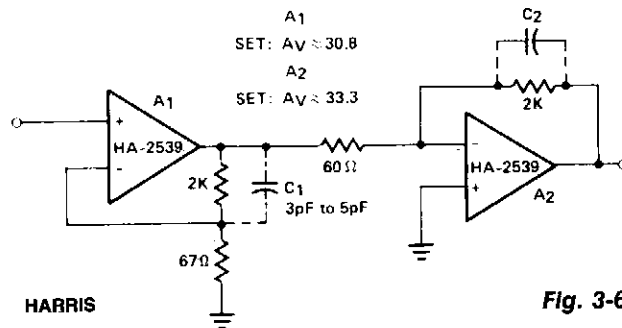
A composite configuration greatly reduces dc errors without compromising the high-speed, wideband characteristics of HA-2539. The HA-2540 could also be used, but with slightly lower speeds and bandwidth response.

The HA-2539 amplifies signals above 40 kHz which are fed forward via C2; R2 and R5 set the voltage gain at  $-10$ . The slew rate of this circuit was measured at  $350 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ . Settling time to a 0.1% level for a 10-V output step is under 150 ns and the gain bandwidth product is 300 MHz.

The HA-5170 amplifies signals below 40 kHz, as set by C1 and R1, and controls the dc input characteristics such as offset voltage, drift, and bias currents of the composite amplifier. Therefore, it has an offset voltage of  $100 \mu\text{V}$ , drift of  $2 \mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$ , and bias currents in the 20-pA range. The offset voltage can be externally nulled by connecting a 20-K $\Omega$  pot to pins 1 and 5, with the wiper tied to the negative supply. The dc gains of the HA-5170 and HA-2539 are cascaded; this means that the dc gain of the composite amplifier is well over 160 dB.

The excellent ac and dc performance of this composite amplifier is complemented by its low noise performance,  $0.5\text{-}\mu\text{V rms}$  from 0.1 Hz to 100 Hz. It is very useful in high-speed data acquisition systems.

## CASCADED AMPLIFIER



HARRIS

Fig. 3-6

Cascaded amplifier sections are used to extend bandwidth and increase gain. Using two HA-2539 devices, this circuit is capable of 60-dB gain at 20 MHz.



### INVERTING AMPLIFIER

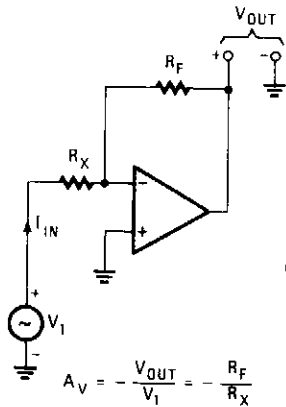


Fig. 3-7

$$A_V = -\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_1} = -\frac{R_F}{R_X}$$

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

### NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER

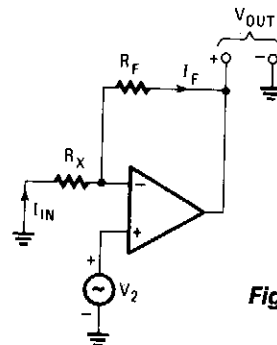
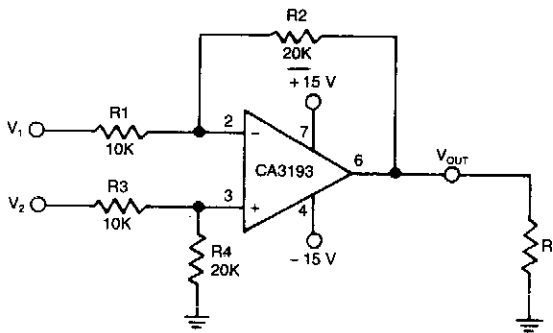


Fig. 3-8

$$A_V = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_2} = \frac{R_F}{R_X} + 1$$

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

### DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS

$$V_{OUT} = V_2 \left( \frac{R_4}{R_3 + R_4} \right) \left( \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1} \right) - V_1 \left( \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)$$

$$\text{IF } R_4 = R_2, R_3 = R_1 \text{ AND } \frac{R_2}{R_1} = \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$

$$\text{THEN } V_{OUT} = (V_2 - V_1) \left( \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)$$

$$\text{FOR VALUES ABOVE } V_{OUT} = (V_2 - V_1)$$

IF  $A_V$  IS TO BE MADE 1 AND IF  $R_1 = R_3 = R_4 = R$   
WITH  $R_2 = 0.999R$  (0.1% MISMATCH IN  $R_2$ )

THEN  $V_{OCM} = 0.0005 V_{IN}$  OR CMRR = 66 dB  
THUS, THE CMRR OF THIS CIRCUIT IS LIMITED BY  
THE MATCHING OR MISMATCHING OF THIS NETWORK  
RATHER THAN THE AMPLIFIER

This differential amplifier uses a CA3193 BiMOS op amp. This classical, differential input-signal-ended output converter when used with low-resistance signal source will maintain level of CMRR, if  $R_1 = R_3 + R_4$ .

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Fig. 3-9

## ACTIVE CLAMP-LIMITING AMPLIFIER

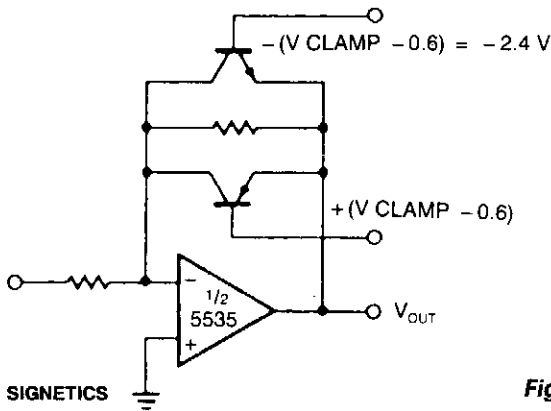
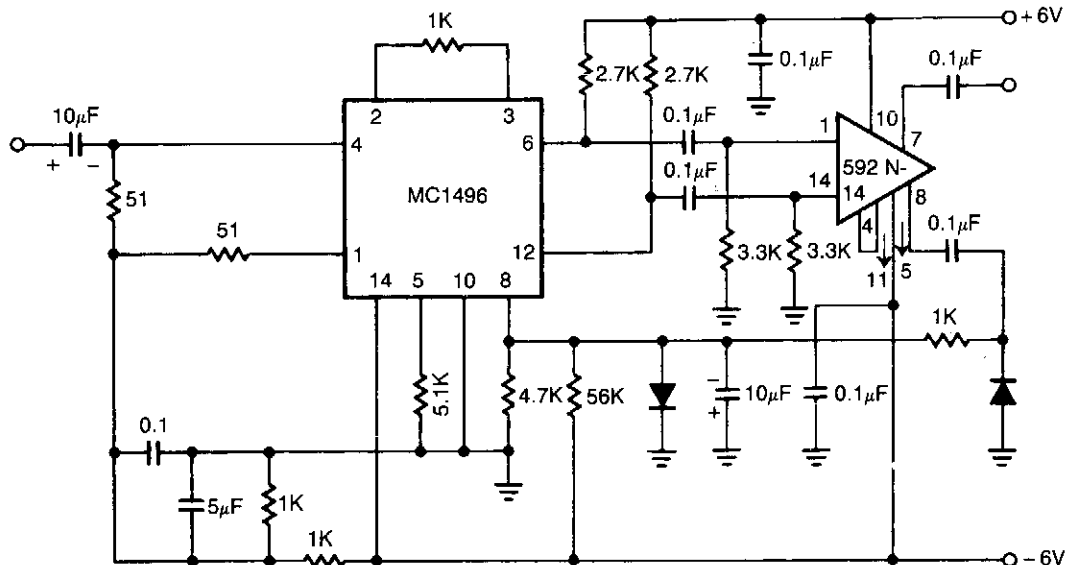


Fig. 3-10

The modified inverting amplifier uses an active clamp to limit the output swing with precision. Allowance must be made for the  $V_{BE}$  of the transistors. The swing is limited by the base-emitter breakdown of the transistors. A simple circuit uses two back-to-back zener diodes across the feedback resistor, but tends to give less precise limiting and cannot be easily controlled.

## WIDE-BAND AGC AMPLIFIER



NOTE:  
ALL RESISTOR VALUES ARE IN OHMS

SIGNETICS

Fig. 3-11

The NE592 is connected in conjunction with a MC1496 balanced modulator to form an excellent automatic gain control system. The signal is fed to the signal input of the MC1496 and rc-coupled to the NE592. Unbalancing the carrier input of the MC1496 causes the signal to pass through unattenuated. Rectifying and filtering one of the NE592 outputs produces a dc signal which is proportional to the ac signal amplitude. After filtering, this control signal is applied to the MC1496, causing its gain to change.

## POLARITY-REVERSING LOW-POWER AMPLIFIER

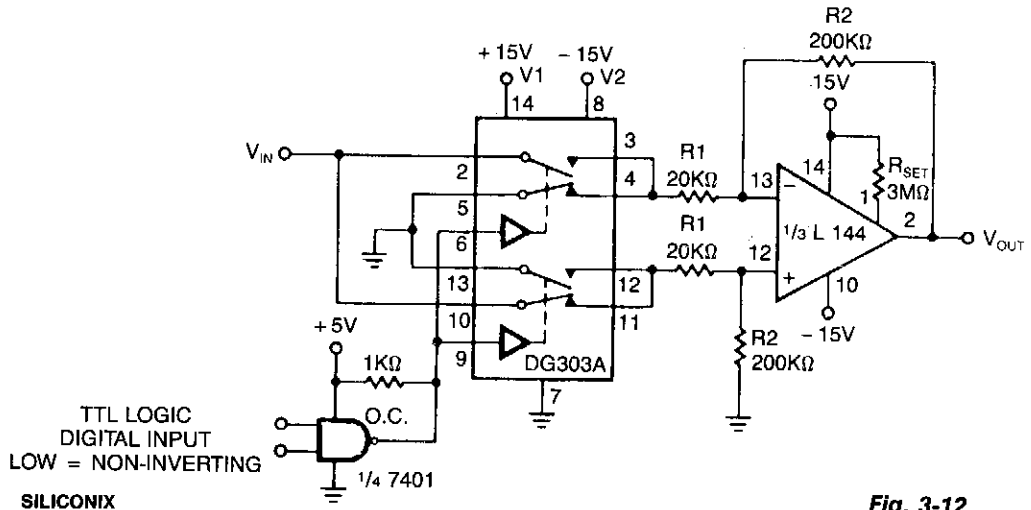
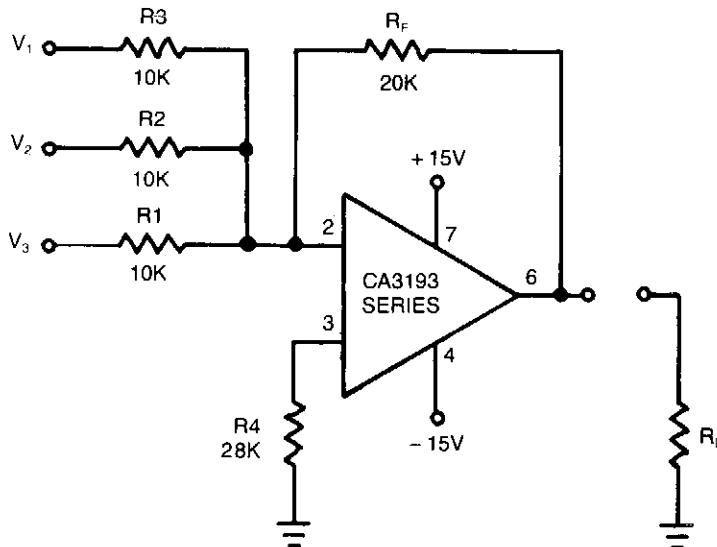


Fig. 3-12

## SUMMING AMPLIFIER



$$V_{OUT} = - \left( \frac{R_F}{R_1} V_1 + \frac{R_F}{R_2} V_2 + \frac{R_F}{R_3} V_3 \right)$$

$$V_{OUT} = - (2V_1 + 2V_2 + 2V_3)$$

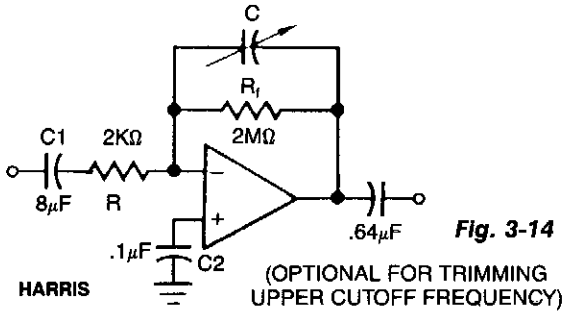
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ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS

Fig. 3-13

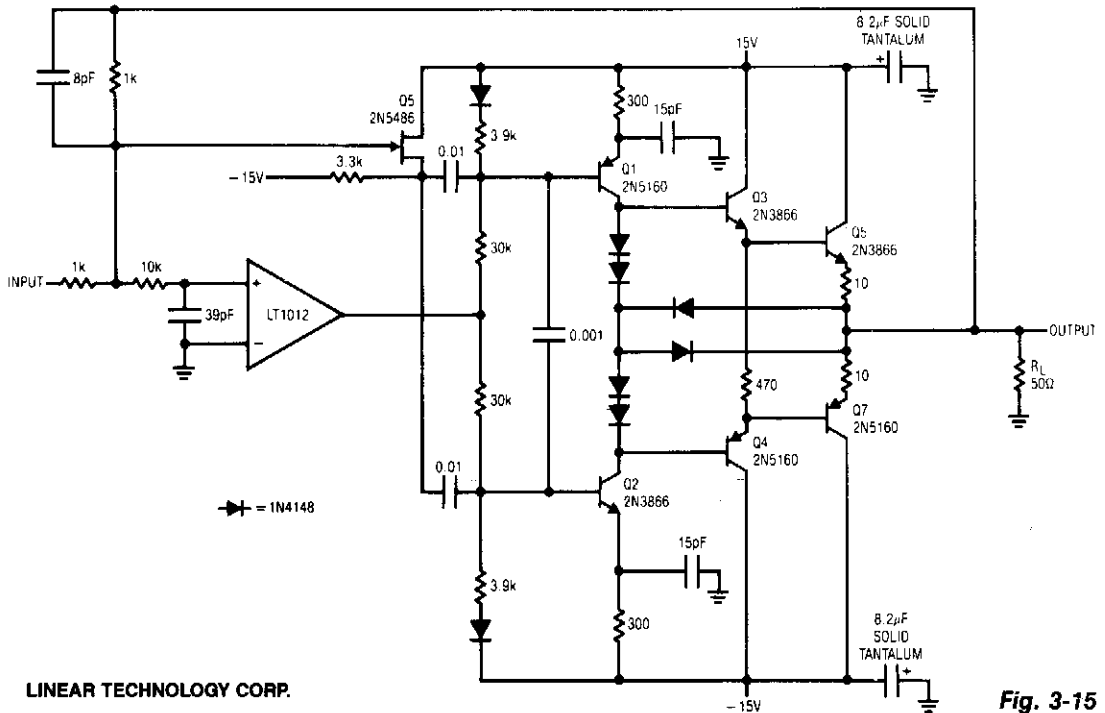
This circuit uses a CA3193 BiMOS op amp. Because input noise of the amplifier is increased by  $R_F/R_1//R_2//R_3$ , and the gain that a single input will amplify is the gain of only one of the input channels ( $R_F/R_1$ ), for good noise performance, use the smallest number of inputs.

## AC-COUPLED DYNAMIC AMPLIFIER



This circuit acts as a bandpass filter with gain and would be most useful for biomedical instrumentation. Low-frequency cutoff is set at 10 Hz while the high-frequency breakpoint is given by the open-loop rolloff characteristic of the HA-5141/42/44. In this case, the  $A_{VCL} = 60$  dB where the rolloff occurs at approximately 300 Hz. This corner frequency may be trimmed by inserting a capacitor in parallel with  $R_f$ .

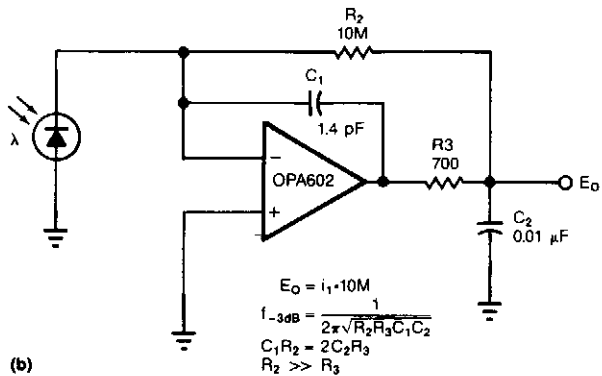
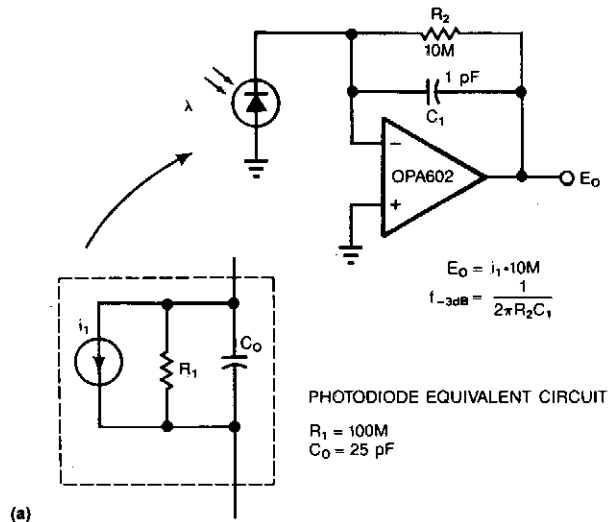
## FORWARD-CURRENT BOOSTER



The LT1012 corrects dc errors in the booster stage, and does not set high-frequency signals. Fast signals are fed directly to the stage via Q5 and the 0.01- $\mu$ F coupling capacitors. Dc and low-frequency signals drive the stage via the op-amp's output. The output stage consists of current sources, Q1 and Q2, driving the Q3-Q5 and Q4-Q7 complementary emitter followers. The diode network at the output steers drive away from the transistor bases when output current exceeds 250 mA, providing fast short-circuit protection. The circuit's high frequency summing node is the junction of the 1-K and 10-K resistors at the LT1012. The 10 K/39 pF pair filters high frequencies, permitting accurate dc summation at the LT1012's positive input. This current-boosted amplifier has a slew rate in excess of 1000 V/ $\mu$ s, a full power bandwidth of 7.5 MHz and a 3-dB point of 14 MHz.



## LOW-NOISE PHOTODIODE AMPLIFIER



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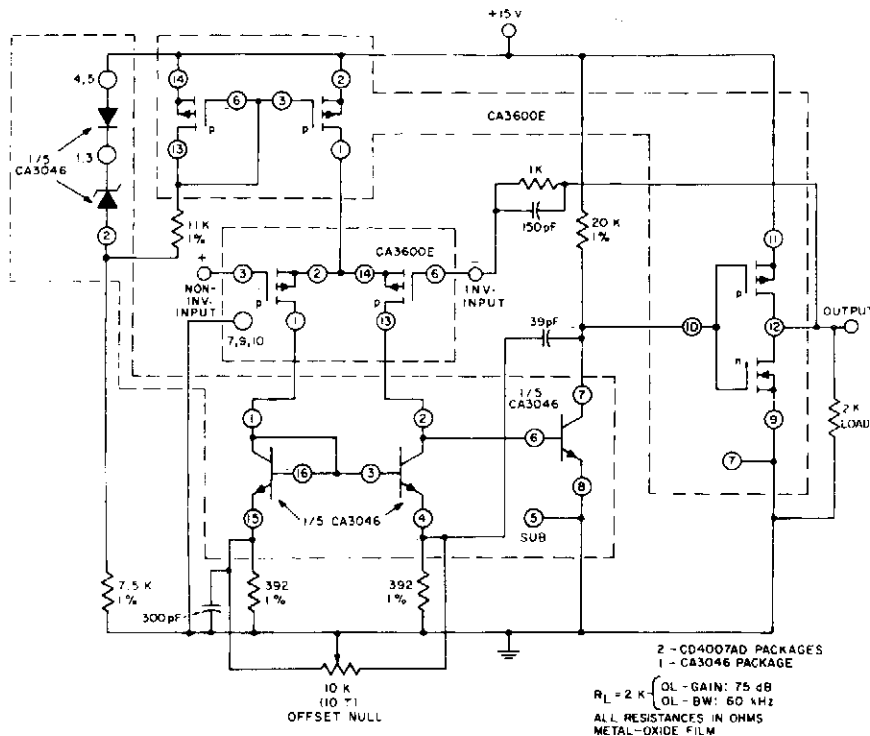
**Fig. 3-18**

Adding two passive components to a standard photodiode amplifier reduces noise. Without the modification, the shunt capacitance of the photodiode reacting with the relatively large feedback resistor of the transimpedance (current-to-voltage) amplifier, creates excessive noise gain.

The improved circuit, Fig. 3-18b, adds a second pole, formed by R3 and C2. The modifications reduce noise by a factor of 3. Because the pole is within the feedback loop, the amplifier maintains its low output impedance. If you place the pole outside the feedback loop, you have to add an additional buffer, which would increase noise and dc error.

The signal bandwidth of both circuits is 16 kHz. In the standard circuit (Fig. 3-18a), the 1-pF stray capacitance in the feedback loop forms a single 16-kHz pole. The improved circuit has the same bandwidth as the first, but exhibits a 2-pole response.

## VOLTAGE-FOLLOWER AMPLIFIER FOR SIGNAL-SUPPLY OPERATION

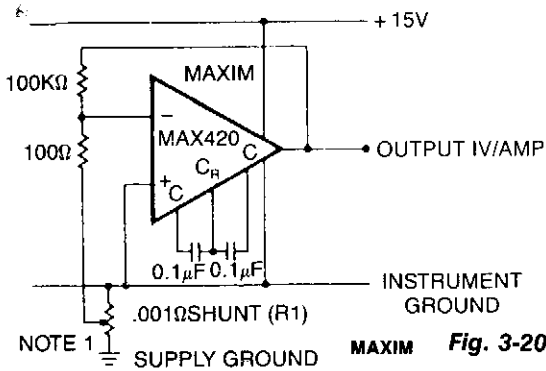


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Fig. 3-19

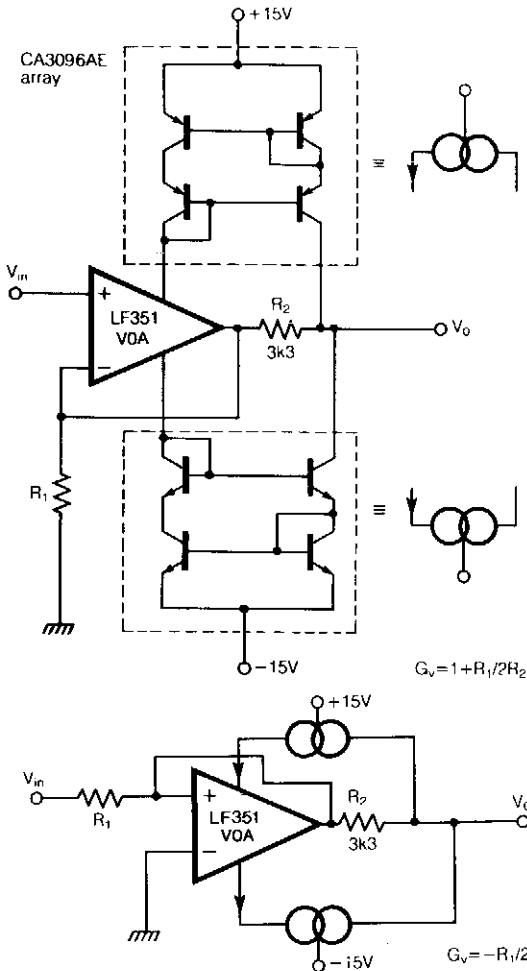
This unity-gain follower amplifier has a CMOS p-channel input, an npn second-gain stage, and a CMOS inverter output. The IC building blocks are two CA3600E's (CMOS transistor pairs) and a CA3046 npn transistor array. A zener-regulated leg provides bias for a  $400\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  p-channel source, feeding the input stage, which is terminated in an npn current mirror. The amplifier voltage-offset is nulled with the  $10\text{-K}\Omega$  balance potentiometer. The second-stage current level is established by the  $20\text{-K}\Omega$  load, and is selected to approximately the first-stage current level, to assure similar positive and negative slew rates. The CMOS inverter portion forms the final output stage and is terminated in a  $2\text{-K}\Omega$  load, a typical value used with monolithic op amps. Voltage gain is affected by the choice of load resistance value. The output stage of this amplifier is easily driven to within  $1\text{ mV}$  of the negative supply voltage.

## CURRENT-SHUNT AMPLIFIER



This circuit measures the power-supply current of a circuit without really having a current-shunt resistor: R1 is only 3 cm of #20 gauge copper wire. A length of the power distribution wiring can be used for R1. The MAX420's CMVR includes its own negative power supply; therefore, it can both be powered by and measure current in the ground line.

## CONSTANT-BANDWIDTH AMPLIFIER



The traditional restriction of constant gain-bandwidth products for a voltage amplifier can be overcome by employing feedback around a current amplifier. Two current mirrors, constructed from transistors in a CA3096AE array, effectively turn the LF351 op amp into a current amplifier. Feedback is then applied by using R2 and R1, turning the whole circuit into a feedback voltage amplifier with a noninverting gain of  $G$  of  $1 + R_1/2R_2$ .

Using the values shown, a constant bandwidth of 3.5 MHz is obtained for all voltage gains up to and beyond 100 at 10 V pk-pk output, equivalent to a gain-bandwidth product of 350 MHz from an op amp with an advertised unity gain-bandwidth of 10 MHz. An inverting gain configuration is also possible (see Fig. 2) where  $G = R_1/2R_2$ . Slew rates are significantly improved by this approach; even a 741 can manage 100 V  $\mu$ s under these conditions since its output is a virtual earth. However, because the new configurations use current feedback to achieve bandwidth independence, an output buffer should be added for circuits where a significant output current is required.

**Fig. 3-21**



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## Analog-to-Digital Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Switched-Capacitor ADC  
Tracking ADC  
ADC  
Half-Flash ADC

## SWITCHED-CAPACITOR ADC

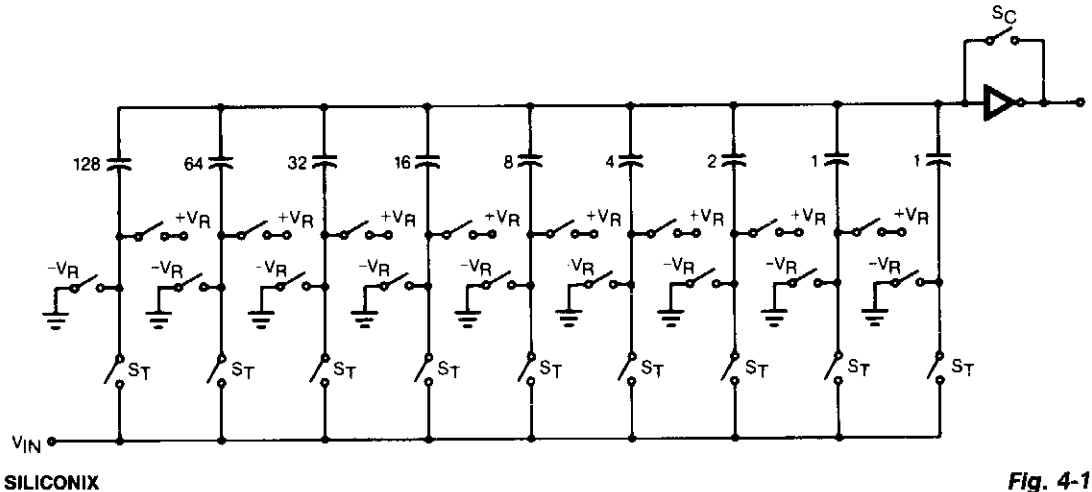
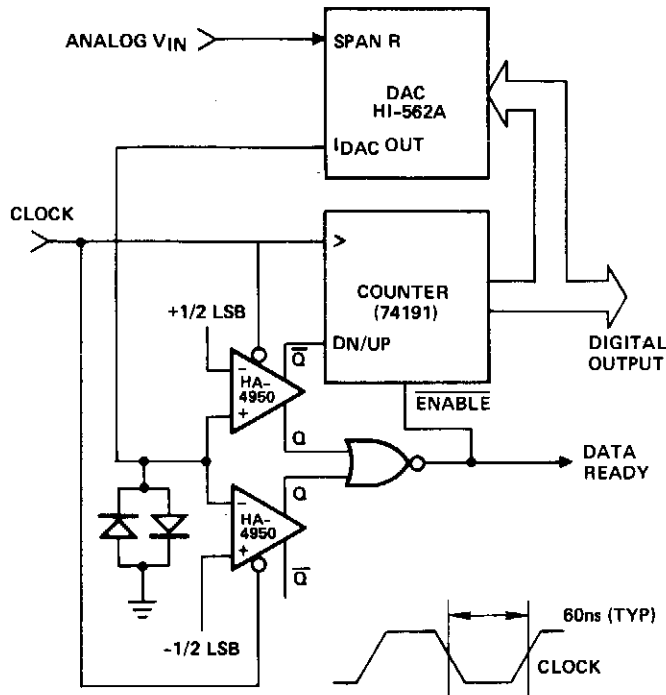


Fig. 4-1

The CMOS comparator in the successive-approximation system determines each bit by examining the charge on a series of binary-weighted capacitors. In the first phase of the conversion process, the analog input is sampled by closing switch  $S_C$  and all  $S_T$  switches, and by simultaneously charging all the capacitors to the input voltage.

In the next phase of the conversion process, all  $S_T$  and  $S_C$  switches are opened and the comparator begins identifying bits by identifying the charge on each capacitor relative to the reference voltage. In the switching sequence, all 8 capacitors are examined separately until all 8 bits are identified, and then the charge-convert sequence is repeated. In the first step of the conversion phase, the comparator looks at the first capacitor (binary weight = 128). One pole of the capacitor is switched to the reference voltage, and the equivalent poles of all the other capacitors on the ladder are switched to ground. If the voltage at the summing node is greater than the trip point of the comparator—approximately  $1/2$  the reference voltage, a bit is placed in the output register, and the 128-weight capacitor is switched to ground. If the voltage at the summing node is less than the trip point of the comparator, this 128-weight capacitor remains connected to the reference input through the remainder of the capacitor-sampling (bit-counting) process. The process is repeated for the 64-weight capacitor, the 32-weight capacitor, and so forth down the line, until all bits are tested. With each step of the capacitor-sampling process, the initial charge is redistributed among the capacitors. The conversion process is successive-approximation, but relies on charge shifting rather than a successive-approximation register—and reference  $d/a$ —to count and weigh the bits from MSB to LSB.

## TRACKING ADC

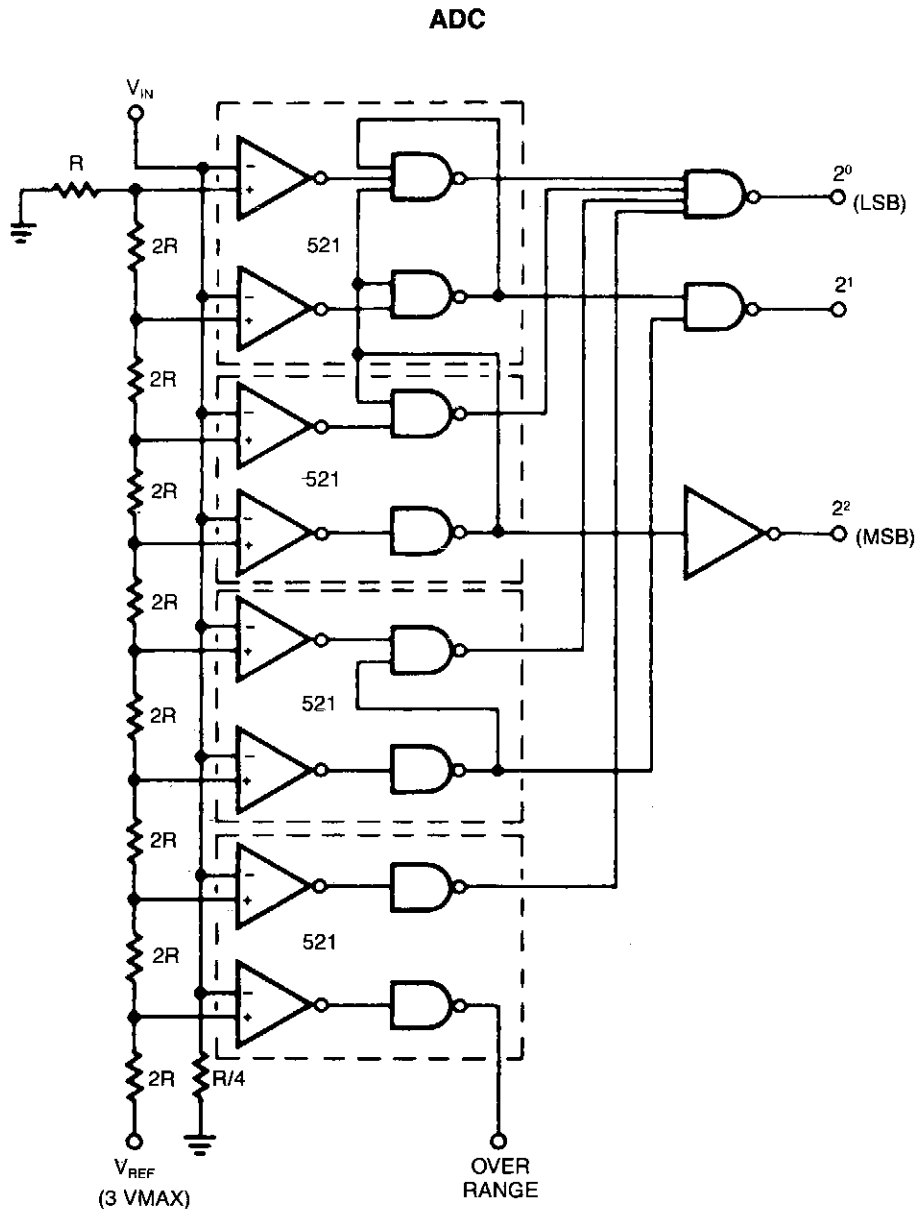


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Fig. 4-2

The analog input is fed into the span resistor of a DAC. The analog input voltage range is selectable in the same way as the output voltage range of the DAC. The net current flow through the ladder termination resistance; i.e.,  $2\text{ K}\Omega$  for HI-562A; produces an error voltage at the DAC output. This error voltage is compared with  $1/2$  LSB by a comparator. When the error voltage is within  $\pm 1/2$  LSB range, the  $Q$  output of the comparators are both low, which stops the counter and gives a data ready signal to indicate that the digital output is correct. If the error exceeds the  $\pm 1/2$  LSB range, the counter is enabled and driven in an up or down direction depending on the polarity of the error voltage.

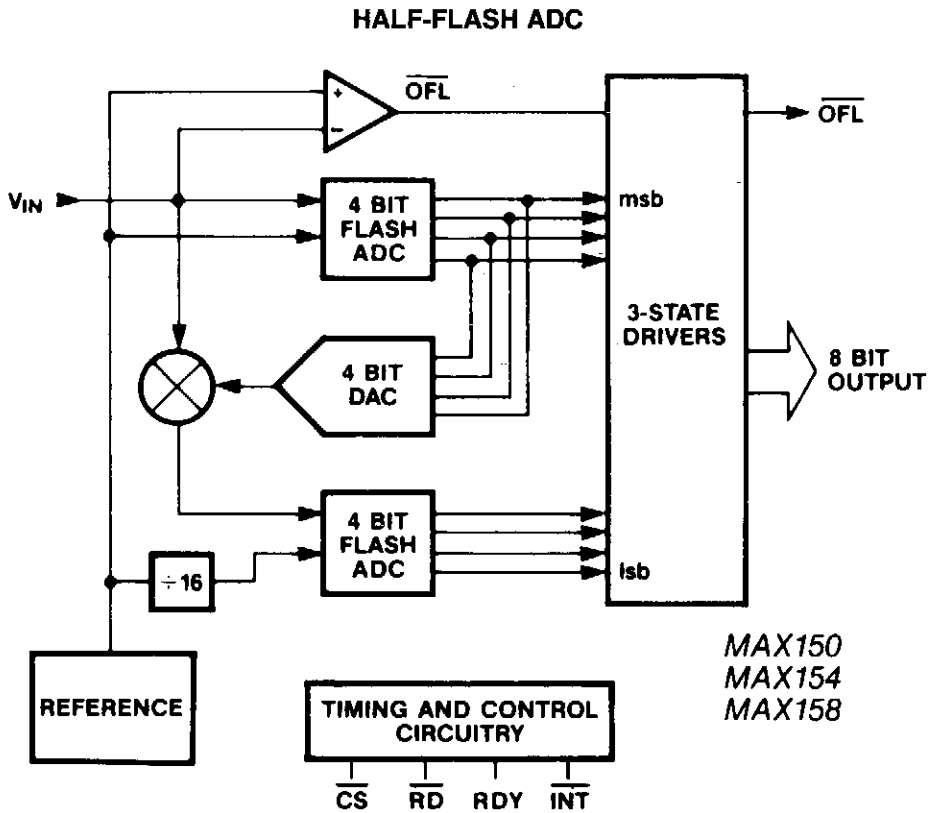
The digital output changes state only when there is a significant change in the analog input. When monitoring a slowly varying input, it is necessary to read the digital output only after a change has taken place. The data ready signal could be used to trigger a flip-flop to indicate the condition and reset it after readout. The main disadvantage of the tracking ADC is the time required to initially acquire a signal; for a 12-bit ADC, it could be up to 4096 clock periods. The input signal usually must be filtered so that its rate of change does not exceed the tracking range of the ADC—1 LSB per clock period.



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**Fig. 4-3**

Conversion speed of this design is the sum of the delay through the comparator and the decoding gates. Reference voltages for each bit are developed from a precision resistor ladder network. Values of  $R$  and  $2R$  are chosen so that the threshold is  $1/2$  of the least significant bit. This assures maximum accuracy of  $\pm 1/2$  bit. The individual strobe line and duality features of the NE521 greatly reduced the cost and complexity of the design.



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Fig. 4-4

An a/d conversion technique which combines some of the speed advantages of flash conversion with the circuitry savings of successive approximation is termed *half-flash*. In an 8-bit, half-flash converter, two 4-bit flash a/d sections are combined. The upper flash a/d compares the input signal to the reference and generates the upper 4 data bits. This data goes to an internal DAC, whose output is subtracted from the analog input. Then, the difference can be measured by the second flash a/d, which provides the lower 4 data bits.

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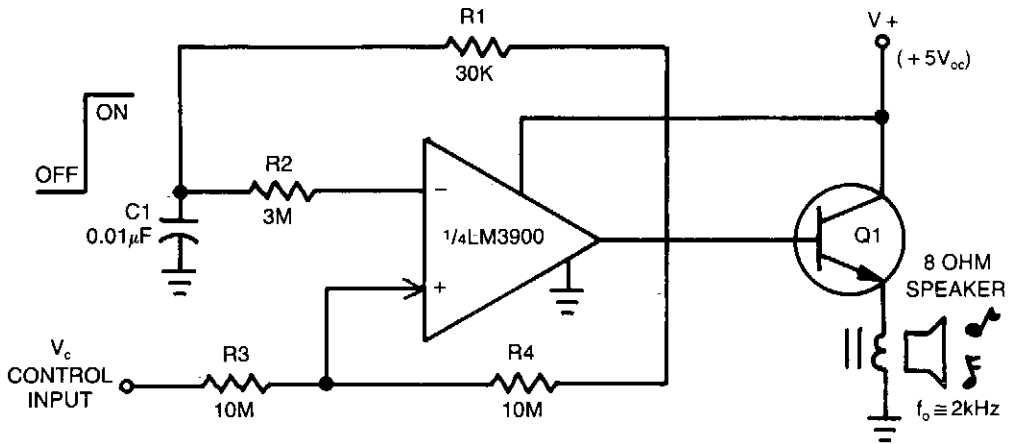
## Annunciator

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Transformerless Tone Annunciator

## TRANSFORMERLESS TONE ANNUNCIATOR



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Fig. 5-1

This circuit does not require an output transformer or an output coupling capacitor; the annunciator can easily be turned on or off by a control input voltage driving a 10-M $\Omega$  input resistor,  $R_3$ . For a smaller acoustic output, replace output transistor,  $Q_1$ , with a 100- $\Omega$  resistor, while also raising the voice coil impedance to 100  $\Omega$ , to prevent loading of the IC.

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## Attenuators

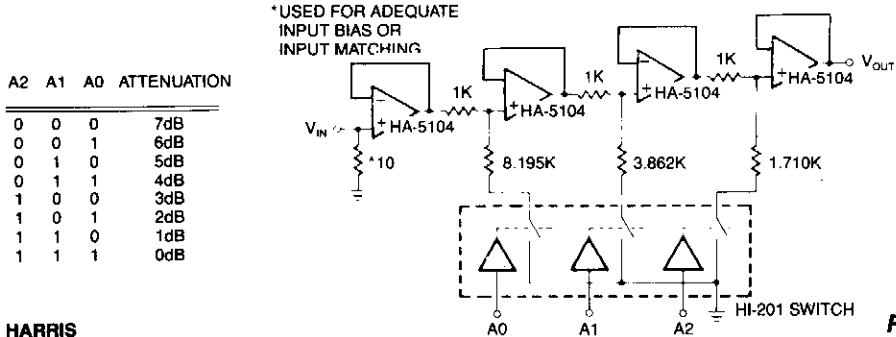
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Digitally Programmable Attenuator  
Programmable Attenuator  
Voltage-Controlled Attenuator



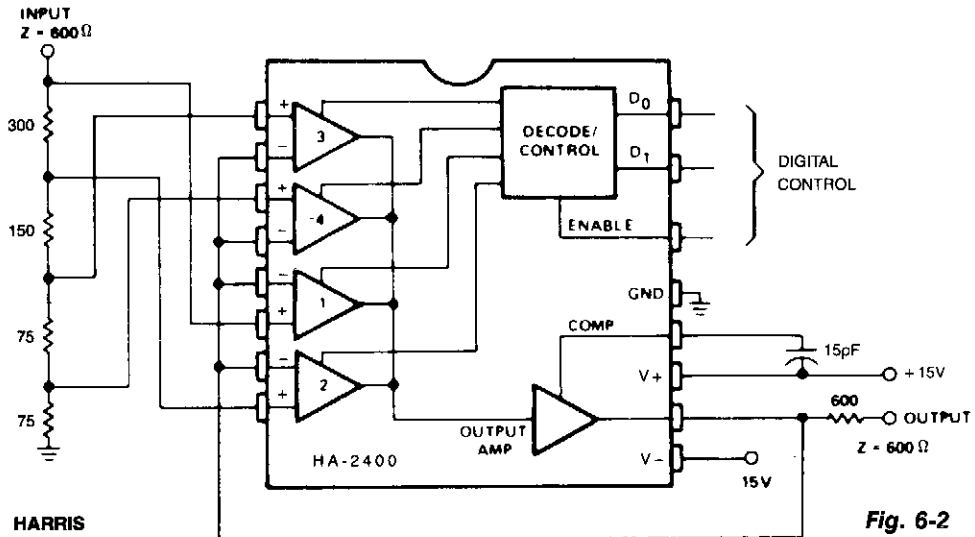
## DIGITALLY PROGRAMMABLE ATTENUATOR



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The first stage is a simple buffer used to isolate the signal source from the attenuator stages to follow. Each of the subsequent stages is preceded by a voltage divider formed by two resistors and CMOS switch. Provided that the CMOS switch for each stage is closed, the drive signal will be attenuated according to the basic voltage divider relationship at each stage. In the event a switch is open, nearly all of the signal strength will be passed to the next stage through the 1-K $\Omega$  resistor. The amplifiers act as buffers for divider networks and reduce the interaction between stages. Eight levels of attenuation are possible with the circuit as illustrated, but more stages could be added. Each divider network must be closely matched to the resistor ratios shown or the level of attenuation will not match the levels in the logic chart.

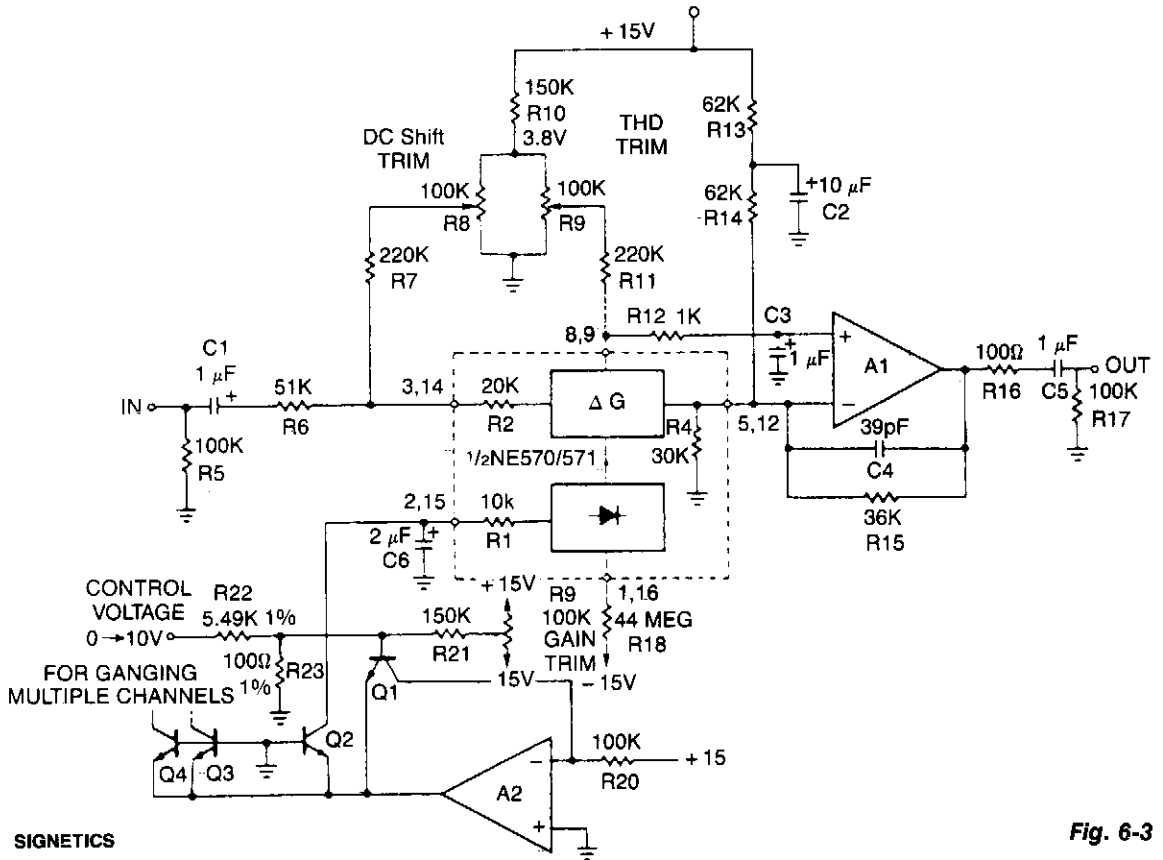
## PROGRAMMABLE ATTENUATOR



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This circuit performs the function of dividing the input signal by a selected constant (1, 2, 4, 8, etc.). While T, Z, or L sections could be used in the input attenuator, this is not necessary since the amplifier loading is negligible and a constant input impedance is maintained. The circuit is thus much simpler and more accurate than the usual method of constructing a constant impedance ladder, and switching sections in and out with analog switches. Two identical circuits can be used to attenuate a balanced line.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED ATTENUATOR



**Fig. 6-3**

This typical circuit uses an external op amp for better performance and an exponential converter to get a control characteristic of  $-6 \text{ dB/V}$ . Trim networks are shown to null out distortion and dc shift, and to fine trim the gain to 0 dB with 0 V of control voltage.

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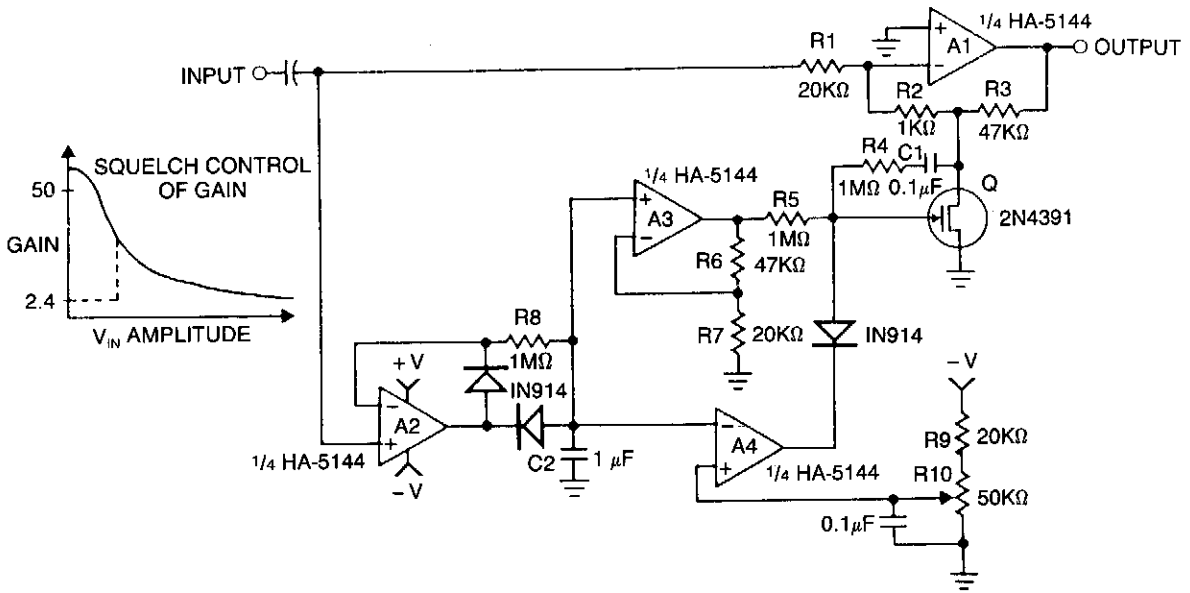
## Audio Amplifiers

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| AGC with Squelch Control         | Magnetic Phono Preamplifier     |
| Gain-Controlled Stereo Amplifier | RIAA Preamplifier               |
| Microphone Amplifier             | Professional Audio NAB Tape     |
| Audio Circuit Bridge Load Drive  | Playback Preamplifier           |
| 20-dB Audio Booster              | Mini-Stereo                     |
| Micro-Size Amplifier             | Speaker Amplifier for Hand-Held |
| Audio Amplifier                  | Transceivers                    |
| Line-Operated Amplifier          | TV Audio Amplifier              |

## AGC WITH SQUELCH CONTROL

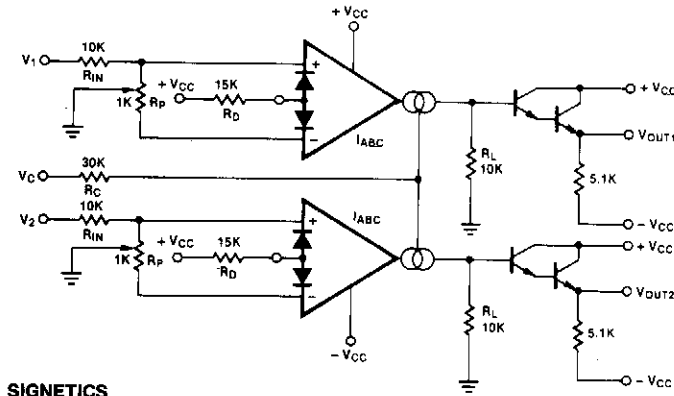


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Fig. 7-1

Automatic gain control is a very useful feature in a number of audio amplifier circuits: tape recorders, telephone speaker phones, communication systems and PA systems. This circuit consists of a HA-5144 quad op amp and a FET transistor used as a voltage-controlled resistor to implement an AGC circuit with squelch control. The squelch function helps eliminate noise in communications systems when no signal is present and allows remote hands-free operation of tape recorder systems. Amplifier A1 is placed in an inverting-gain *T* configuration in order to provide a fairly wide gain range and a small signal level across the FET. The small signal level and the addition of resistors R5 and R6 help reduce nonlinearities and distortion. Amplifier A2 acts as a negative peak detector to keep track of signal amplitude. Amplifier A3 can be used to amplify this peak signal if the cutoff voltage of the FET is higher than desired. Amplifier A4 acts as a comparator in the squelch control section of the circuit. When the signal level falls below the voltage set by R10, the gate of the FET is pulled low—turning it off completely—and reducing the gain to 2.4. The output A4 can also be used as a control signal in applications, such as a hands-free tape recorder system.

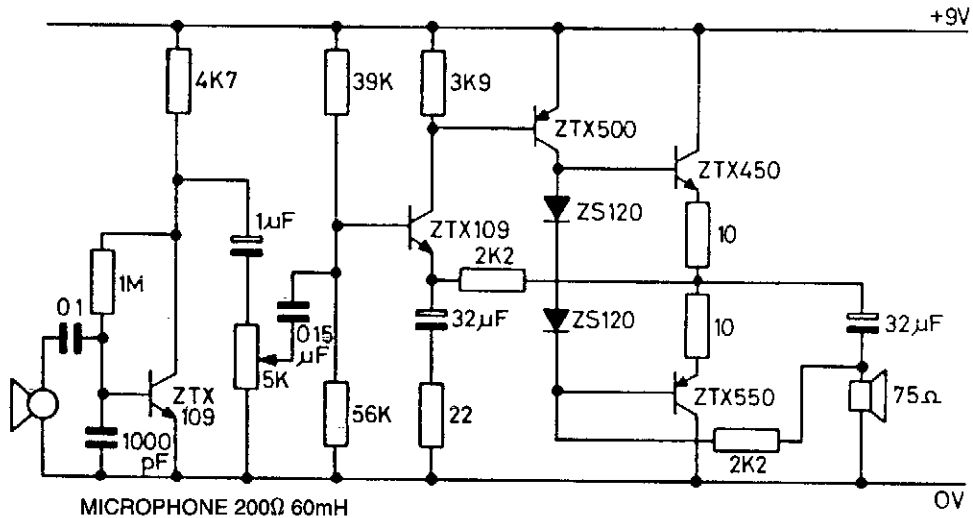
## GAIN-CONTROLLED STEREO AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 7-2

## MICROPHONE AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 7-3

This circuit features the ZTX450/ZTX550 transistors in a push-pull output stage. The following readings were taken at maximum volume:

Input: 0.4 mV rms

Output: 1.8 V rms

Voltage gain: 4500

Max. output before distortion: 2.25 V rms - supply current = 3.5 mA

Zero output-supply current: 3.5 mA

Wattage: 0.034 W

Frequency response: 250 Hz to 28 kHz

## AUDIO CIRCUIT BRIDGE LOAD DRIVE

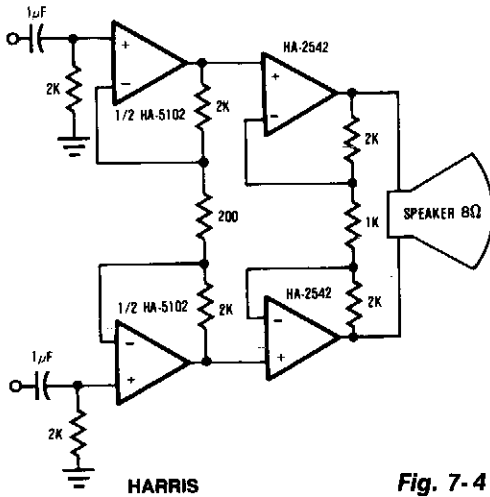


Fig. 7-4

This circuit shows a method which increases the power capability of a drive system for audio speakers. Two HA-2542s are used to operate on half cycles only, which greatly increases their power handling capability. Bridging the speaker, as shown, makes 200 mA of output current available to drive the load. The HA-5102 is used as an ac-coupled, low noise preamplifier, which drives the bridge circuit.

## 20-dB AUDIO BOOSTER

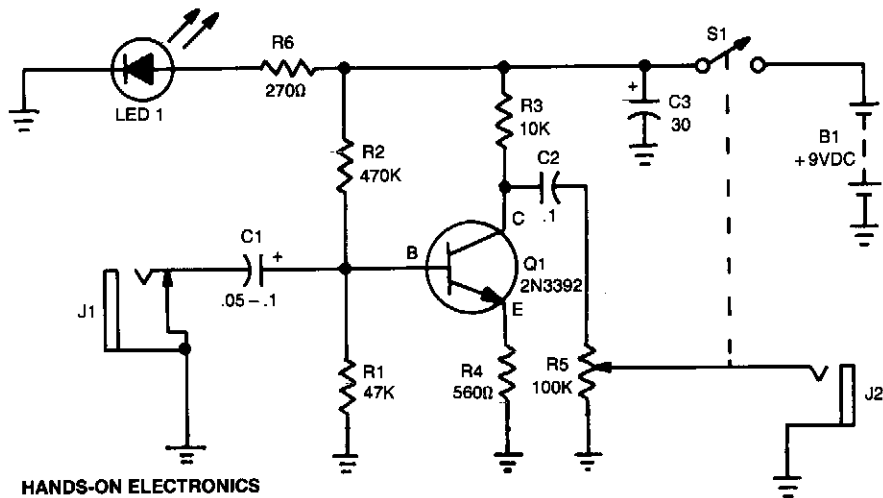
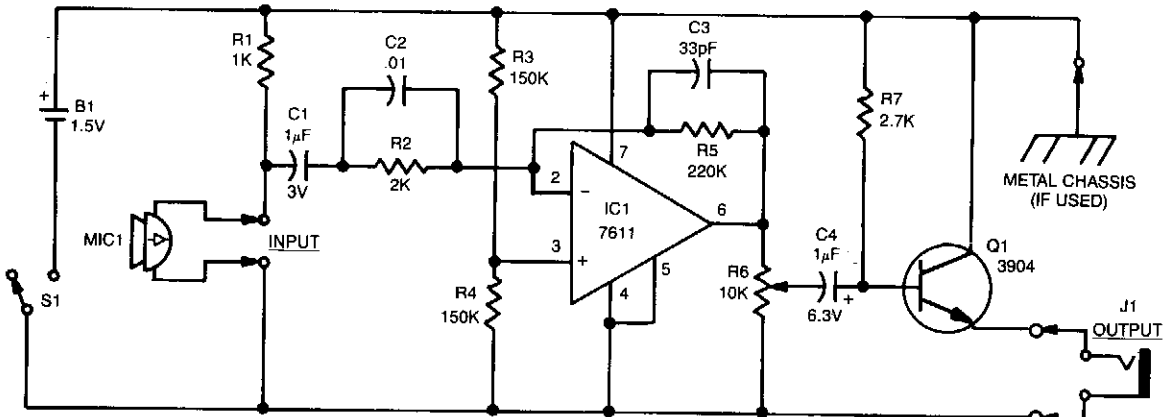


Fig. 7-5

The amplifier's gain is nominally 20 dB. Its frequency response is determined primarily by the value of just a few components—primarily C1 and R1. The values in the schematic diagram provide a response of  $\pm 3.0$  dB from about 120 to over 20,000 Hz. Actually, the frequency response is flat from about 170 to well over 20,000 Hz; it's the low end that deviates from a flat frequency response. The low end's rolloff is primarily a function of capacitor C1, since R1's resistive value is fixed. If C1's value is changed to 0.1  $\mu$ F, the low end's corner frequency—the frequency at which the low end rolloff starts—is reduced to about 70 Hz. If you need an even deeper low end rolloff, change C1 to a 1.0- $\mu$ F capacitor. If it's an electrolytic type, make certain that it's installed into the circuit with the correct polarity—with the positive terminal connected to Q1's base terminal.

## MICRO-SIZED AMPLIFIER

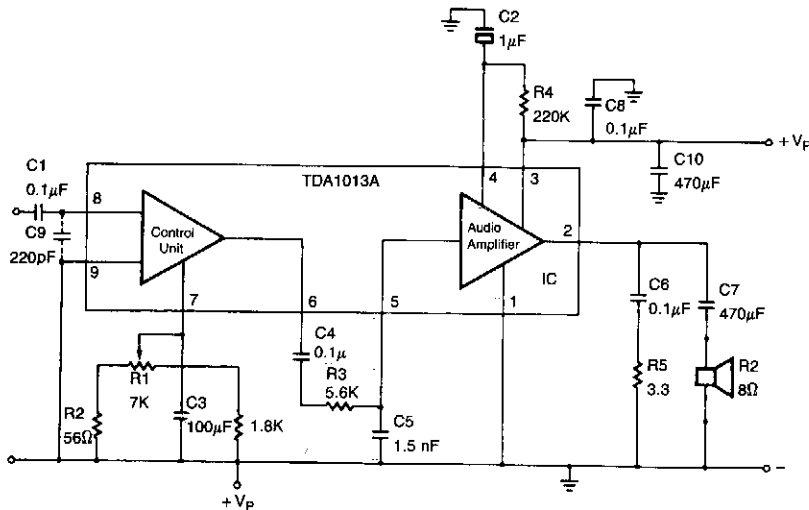


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Fig. 7-6

Sound detected by electret microphone MIC1 is fed to IC1's input through resistor R2, and capacitors C1 and C2. Resistors R2 and R5 determine the overall stage gain, while C2 partially determines the amplifier's frequency response. To ensure proper operation, use a single-ended power supply. R3 and R4 simulate a null condition equal to half the power supply's voltage at IC1's noninverting input. The output of IC1 is transferred to emitter-follower amplifier Q1 via volume control R6. The high-Z-in/low-Z-out characteristic of the emitter-follower matches the moderately high-impedance output of IC1 to a low-impedance headphone load.

## AUDIO AMPLIFIER

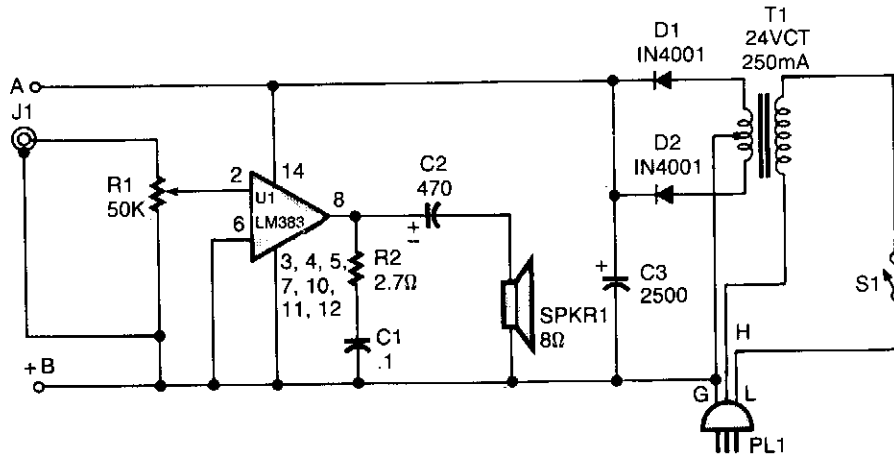


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Fig. 7-7

C9 is necessary to filter-out rf input interferences. R3 in combination with C5 is used to limit the af frequency bandwidth. The 470-µF power supply decoupling capacitor is C10.

## LINE-OPERATED AMPLIFIER

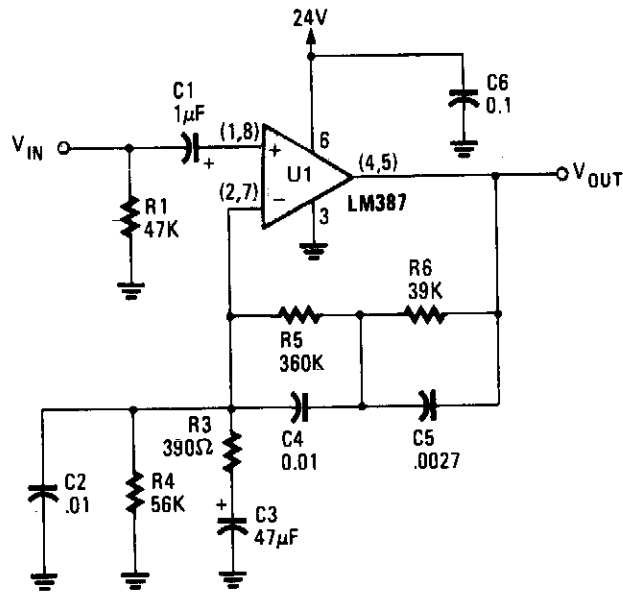


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Fig. 7-8

T1 isolates the unit from the line, and has a 24-V, center-tapped secondary. The output of the transformer is rectified by diodes D1 and D2 and filtered by capacitor C3 to provide 15 to 18 Vdc. The LM383 has built-in protection against speaker shorts.

## MAGNETIC PHONO PREAMPLIFIER



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Fig. 7-9



### RIAA PREAMPLIFIER

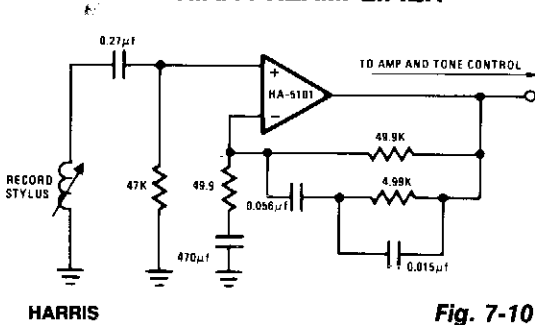


Fig. 7-10

The circuit essentially provides low-frequency boost below 318 Hz and high-frequency attenuation above 3150 Hz. Recent modifications to the response standard include a 31.5-Hz peak gain region to reduce dc-oriented distortion from external vibration.

### PROFESSIONAL AUDIO NAB TAPE PLAYBACK PREAMPLIFIER

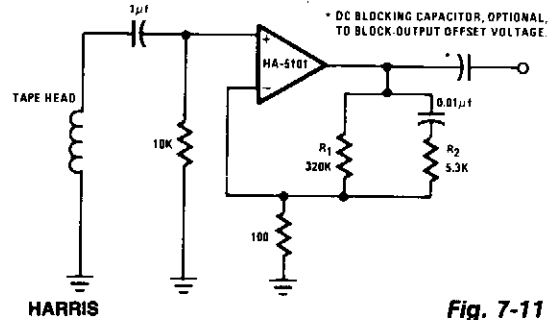


Fig. 7-11

The preamplifier is configured to provide low-frequency boost to 50 Hz, flat response to 3 kHz, and high-frequency attenuation above 3 kHz. Compensation for variations in tape and tape head performance can be achieved by trimming R1 and R2.

### MINI-STEREO

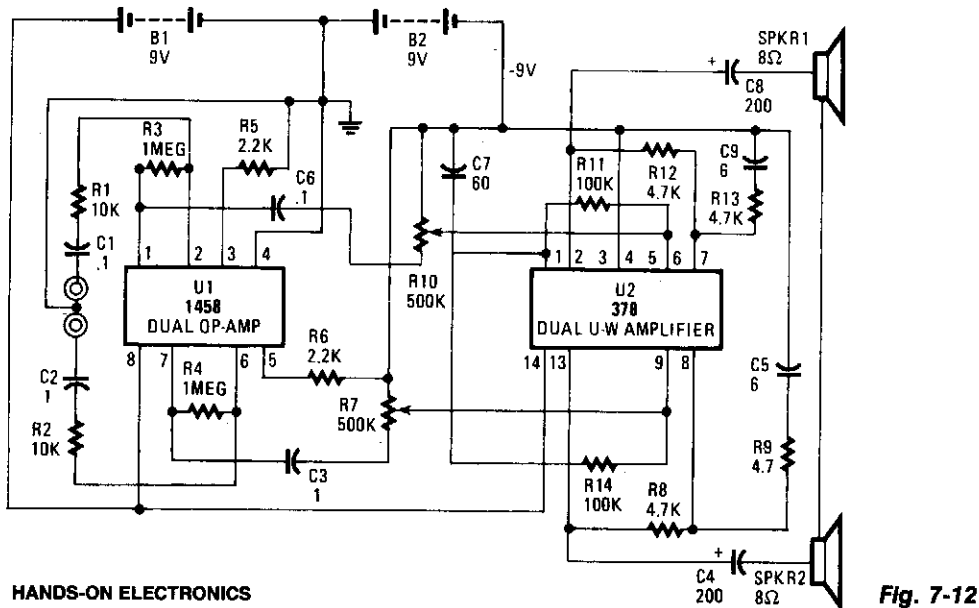
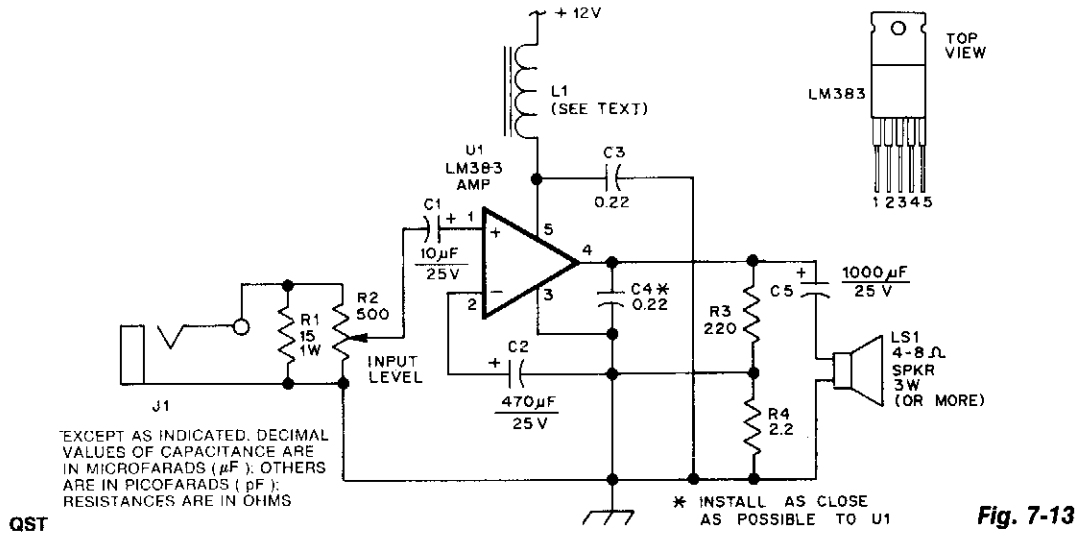


Fig. 7-12

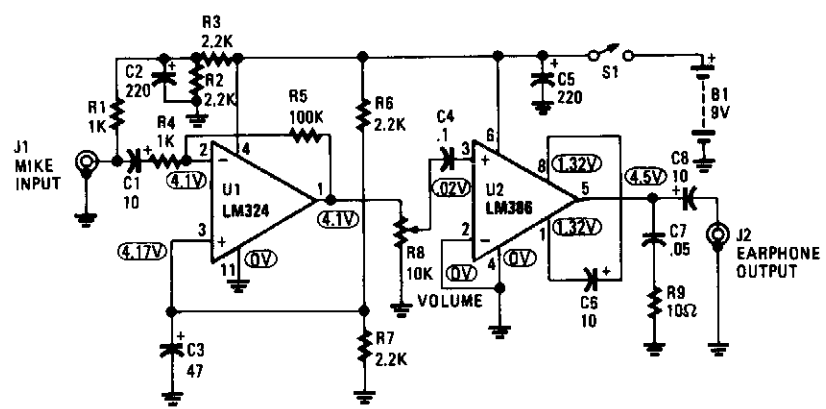
This circuit is built around two chips: the MC1458 dual op amp, configured as a preamplifier, and the LM378 dual 4-watt amplifier. The gain of the preamp is given by  $R3/R1$  for one side and  $R4/R2$  for the other side, which is about 100. That gain can be varied by increasing the ratios. The left and right channel inputs are applied to pins 2 and 6. The left and right outputs of U1 at pins 7 and 2 are coupled through C5/R10 and C3/R6, respectively, to U2 to drive the two 8-Ω loudspeakers.

## SPEAKER AMPLIFIER FOR HAND-HELD TRANSCEIVERS



The LM383 is an audio-power amplifier that is capable of producing up to 8 W of audio output. R1 is essentially a load resistor for the hand-held transceiver's audio output. R2 can be composed of two fixed resistors in a 10:1 divider arrangement, but using a potentiometer makes it easy to set the amplifier's maximum gain. When powered from a vehicle's electrical system, the amplifier's +12V power source requires filter L1 to eliminate alternator whine. The LM383 can be mounted directly on the heatsink because the mounting tab is at ground potential.

## TV AUDIO AMPLIFIER



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**Fig. 7-14**

The amplifier picks up the TV's audio output signal and amplifies it to drive a set of earphones for private listening. It is built around an LM324 quad op amp and an LM386 low-power audio amplifier. The circuit uses an inexpensive electret microphone element as the pick-up and a set of earphones as the output device.

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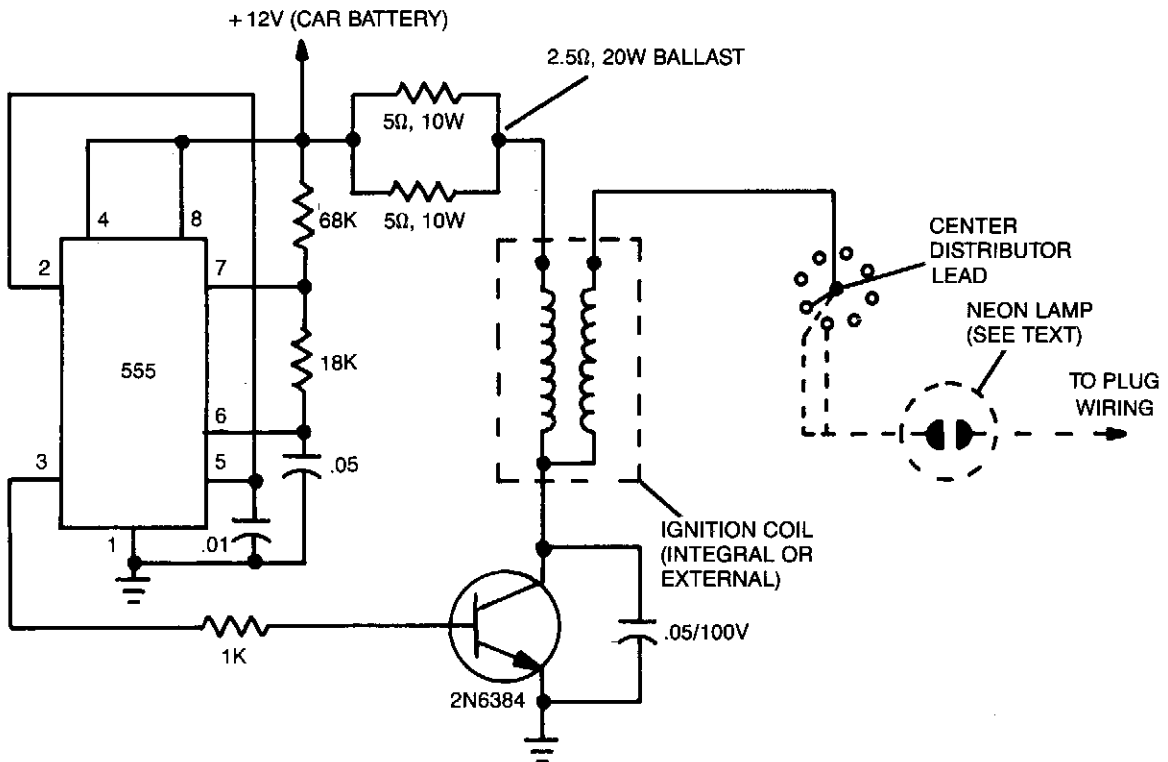
## Automotive Circuits

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| Automobile Ignition Substitute | Tachometer with Set Point    |
| Courtesy Light Delay Switch    | Automobile Voltage Regulator |
| Lights-On Reminder             | Directional Signals Monitor  |
| Automobile Locator             | Automatic Headlight Delay    |
| Read-Head Preamplifier         | Back-Up Beeper               |
| Delayed Extra Brake Light      | Electronic Car Horn          |
| Digital Tach/Dwell Meter       | Courtesy Light Extender      |
| Automobile Air Conditioner     | Flashing Third Brake Light   |
| Smart Clutch                   | Headlight Alarm              |
| Door Ajar Monitor              |                              |

## AUTOMOBILE IGNITION SUBSTITUTE



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Fig. 8-1

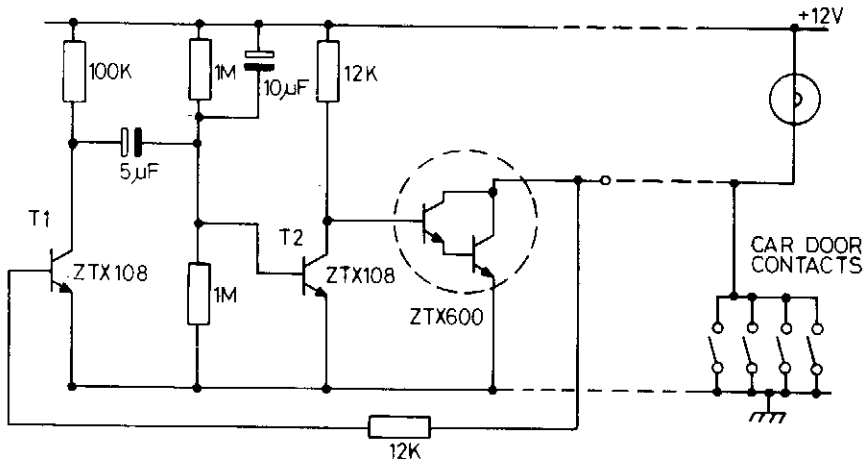
The ignition substitute provides a constant power source for the ignition coil. Its frequency, 0.5–1.0 kHz, is that used by an 8-cylinder engine with an idling speed of 650 RPM, and the unit provides a rapid spark at a 17% duty cycle, while staying within the power dissipation limits of the components.

The circuit consists of a 555 timer IC configured as an astable free-running multivibrator that is used to drive a high-current npn transistor, such as a 2N6384. The transistor should be heavily heatsinked because it might be drawing several amps over quite a long period of time.

The coil ballast can be from 0.68 to 6.5  $\Omega$ , depending on what's available. The 2.5- $\Omega$ , 20-W ballast shown works well. All the other resistors can be either 1/4- or 1/2-W devices, and the capacitor, between pins 1 and 5 of the 555, can range from 0.01 to 0.05  $\mu\text{F}$ . Do not omit the 100-V, 0.05- $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor across the transistor; it prevents voltage spikes from damaging the device.

Although designed for an 8-cylinder engine, this device can be used with other types. In addition, a neon bulb can be added to the circuit to verify the presence of a spark.

## COURTESY LIGHT DELAY SWITCH

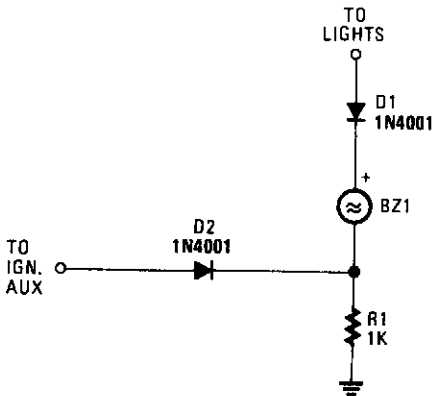


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Fig. 8-2

This circuit holds on the internal light for approximately one minute after the car doors are closed. When the door contacts open, a + VE pulse is applied to the base of T1. This transistor turns on, turning off T2 and charging the 10- $\mu$ F capacitor. T3 turns on, holding on the internal light. The capacitor takes one minute to discharge when the circuit reverts to its original state.

## LIGHTS-ON REMINDER



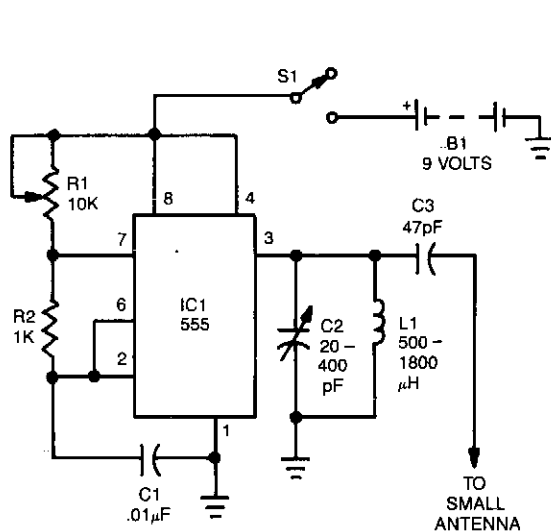
With both the ignition and the car lights on, piezo transducer BZ1 draws no current and remains silent. With only the ignition on, diode D1 is reverse-biased and so prevents current flow through BZ1.

However, when the lights are on and the ignition is off, the transducer becomes energized and sounds to alert you to turn the lights off. With the ignition off and the lights on, D2 is reverse-biased, preventing current from flowing to the ignition. Resistor R1 prevents a short circuit when the ignition is on.

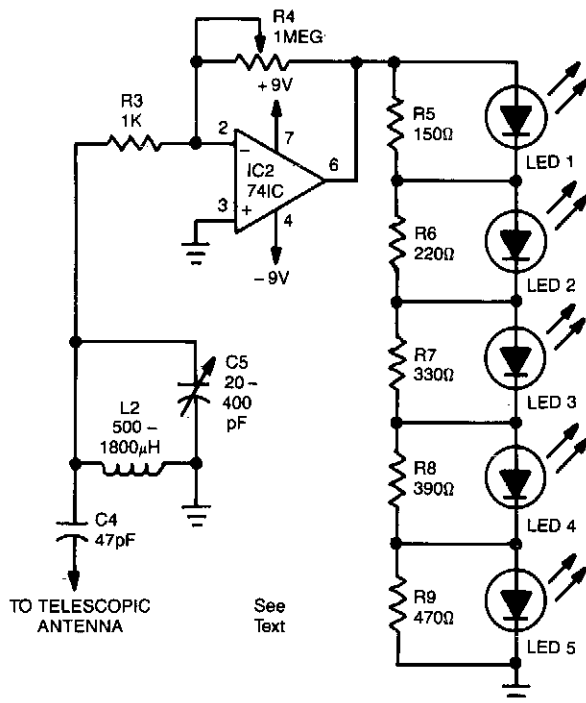
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Fig. 8-3

## AUTOMOBILE LOCATER



**Fig. 8-4a**



**Fig. 8-4b**

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This locator is made up of two parts. The first is an rf oscillator, whose circuit is shown in Fig. 8-4a. The second is a sensitive receiver shown in Fig. 8-4b. The heart of the oscillator is a 555 timer IC. Tank circuit C2 and L1 is used to tune the transmitter. The antenna is coupled to the transmitter through C3. A telescopic antenna or a length of hookup wire will work quite well. At the receiver, the incoming signal is tuned by C5 and L2 before being passed on to the 741 IC. The five LEDs are used to indicate signal strength, they light up in order (1 to 5) as the signal gets stronger.

After the devices are built, the receiver and transmitter will need to be tuned. Tune the transmitter until all of the receiver's LEDs light. Separate the receiver and the transmitter—the farther apart they are the better—and adjust R4 until you get a maximum strength reading only when the receiver's antenna is pointed directly at the transmitter. Place the transmitter on the dashboard and completely extend the antenna. To find your car, just extend the telescope antenna to its full length and hold it parallel to the ground. Point the antenna to your far left, then swing it to your far right. Do that until you find in which direction the strongest signal lies, as indicated by the LEDs. The antenna will be pointing at your car.

## READ-HEAD PREAMPLIFIER

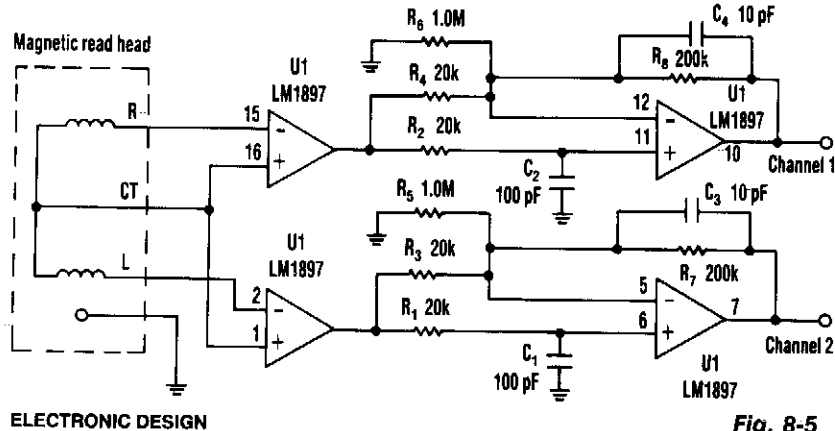


Fig. 8-5

Choosing dc rather than ac coupling can reduce much of the noise associated with preamplifiers for a magnetic reading head, particularly in the low frequencies. The LM1897 eliminates the need for the capacitor that usually ac couples the read head to the preamplifier input. The read head itself has a small resistance, typically  $50 \Omega$ , and so is less prone to noise pickup. Moreover, the LM1897 has a low-bias current; merely  $2 \mu\text{A}$  as a worst case. Such a low-bias current flowing through the head's low resistance generates very little noise. Accordingly, even with a gain of 25, the first stage of the preamplifier circuit produces little noise.

## DELAYED EXTRA BRAKE LIGHT

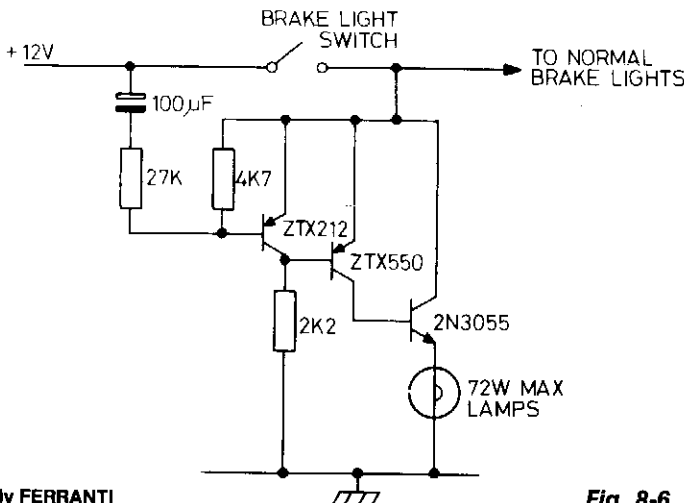
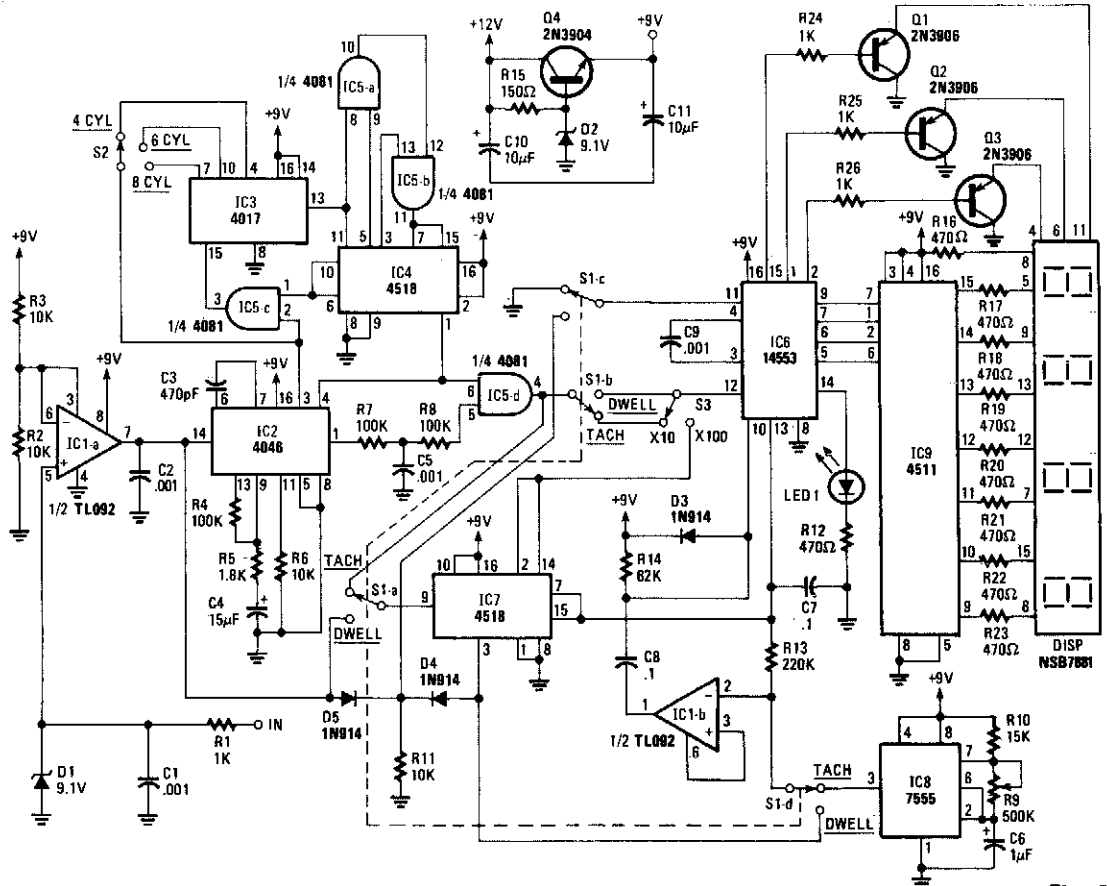


Fig. 8-6

Operating the brake pedal of the car brings on the normal brake lights and then, after a delay, the extra lights are turned on. A bimetal strip in series with the lights would make them flash.

## DIGITAL TACH/DWELL METER



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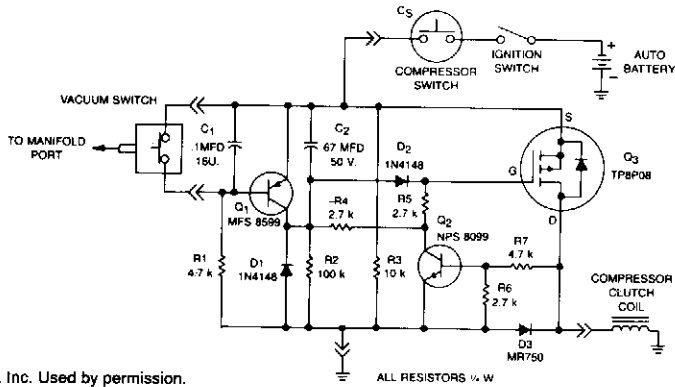
**Fig. 8-7**

The heart of the circuit is IC2, a 4046 micropower phase-locked loop (PLL). The incoming signals are fed to the PLL after being buffered by IC1a and its associated components. The frequency of the incoming signal is multiplied by either 90, 60, or 45, depending on the setting of the cylinder select switch, S2. That switch selects the proper output from counters IC3 and IC4, which are set to divide the output frequency of the PLL by those amounts, and then send the divided output back to the comparator to the PLL to keep it locked on to the input signal. The phase pulses output at pin 4 of IC2, then go through an AND gate IC5d—which only passes the signals if the PLL is locked on to an input signal, preventing stray readings—and then to the input of IC6. When in the tach mode, IC6 counts the number of pulses present at pin 12, during the timing interval generated by IC8 and the associated circuitry of IC1b. Because of the varied multiplication rate for the different cylinder selections—90, 60, and 45 for 4, 6, and 8 cylinders, respectively, the time interval is always constant at  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a second. The time interval is adjusted with R9, a 500-K $\Omega$  potentiometer; it is the only adjustment in the circuit.

In the high-tach (TACH 1 or  $\times 100$ ) range of 0–9990 rpm, the output of IC2 is routed by switches S1a and S3 through IC7, a divide-by-ten counter, which increases the count range tenfold. In the low-tach (TACH 2 or  $\times 10$ ) range of 0–999 rpm, the counter is bypassed.



## AUTOMOBILE AIR CONDITIONER SMART CLUTCH

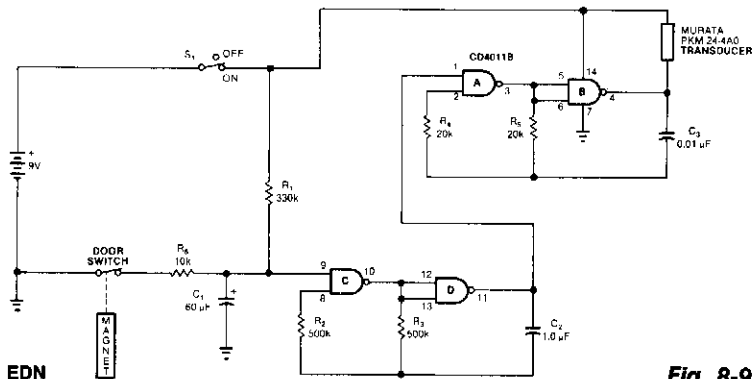


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**Fig. 8-8**

This circuit disables the air conditioner compressor when additional engine power is required. It does so by monitoring the engine vacuum at the intake manifold. If the vacuum drops to 40% of its normal level, the compressor clutch is disabled, removing the air conditioner load from the engine. After the engine returns to normal vacuum level, there is a 6 second delay before the compressor clutch is enabled and the air conditioner is reactivated. This allows 6 seconds of extra power, about 500 ft at 60 MPH, which increases the safety margin when passing another vehicle. Loss of cooling is minimal because the air conditioner fan is not interrupted. When the engine is accelerated, manifold vacuum drops and vacuum switch VS opens to 40% of the normal manifold pressure. This causes Q1 to turn on, discharging C2 and turning off Q3 via diode D2. When Q3 turns off, so does Q2. When the engine reaches its normal operating vacuum, VS closes and Q1 turns off, allowing C2 to charge for 6 seconds until Q3 turns on again.

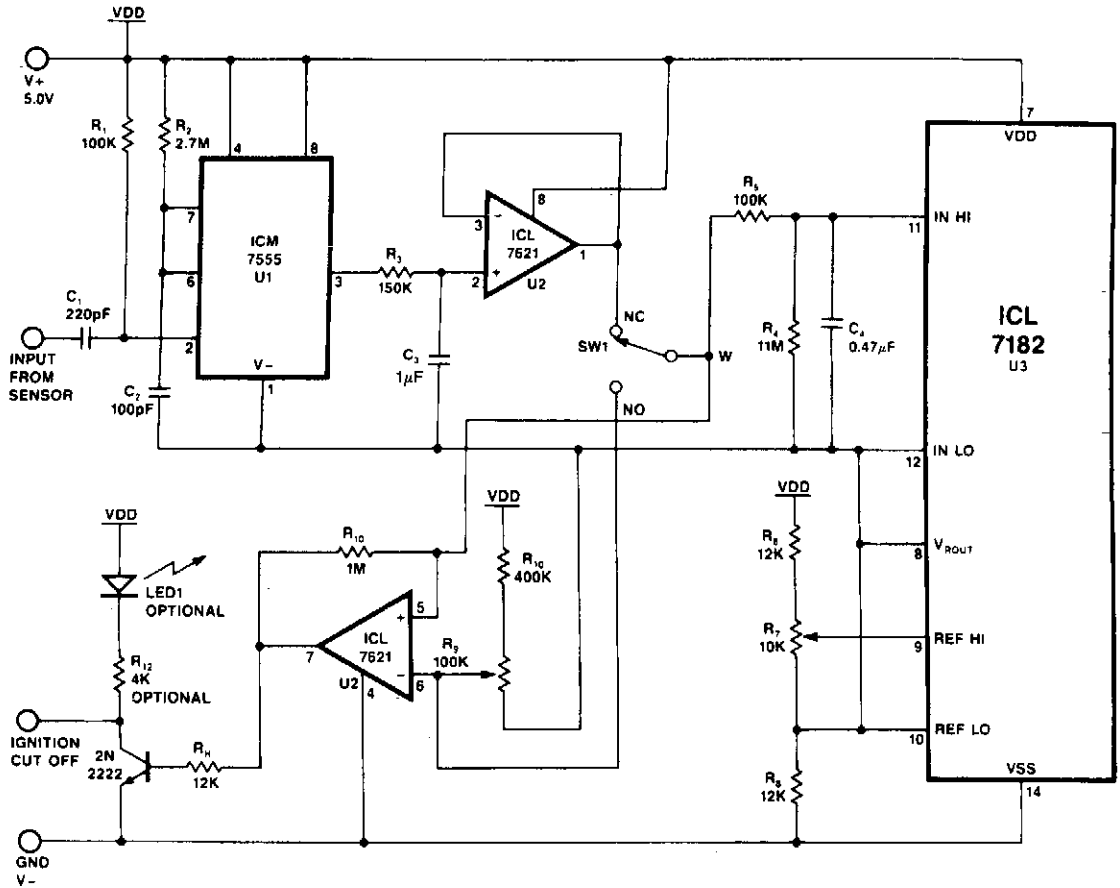
## DOOR AJAR MONITOR



**Fig. 8-9**

The monitor senses an ajar door and, if the situation isn't corrected within 20 seconds, sounds a beeping alarm. The circuit is controlled by a magnetic reed switch and magnet on the door. With the door closed, the switch is closed and the alarm is disarmed. Opening the door opens switch, C1 starts charging up through R1. Approximately 20 seconds later, the voltage at pin 9 is high enough to turn on the oscillator formed from C, D, R2, R3, and C2. That pulses the piezoelectric transducer's 3-kHz oscillator. For lower standby drain on the battery, change R1 to 66 MΩ and C1 to 1 mF (film).

## TACHOMETER WITH SET POINT



$$\frac{V_O}{V_{IN}} = \frac{1/RC}{S + 1/R_3C_3}$$

$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi R_3C_3}$$

SW1 Momentary  
Switch SPST

$V_{IN} = 264 \text{ mV @ 5000 RPM}$   
4 Stroke V8

| RPM    | Hz    | Period |
|--------|-------|--------|
| 600    | 10    | 100 ms |
| 1000   | 16.7  | 60 ms  |
| 5000   | 83    | 12 ms  |
| 10,000 | 166.7 | 6 ms   |

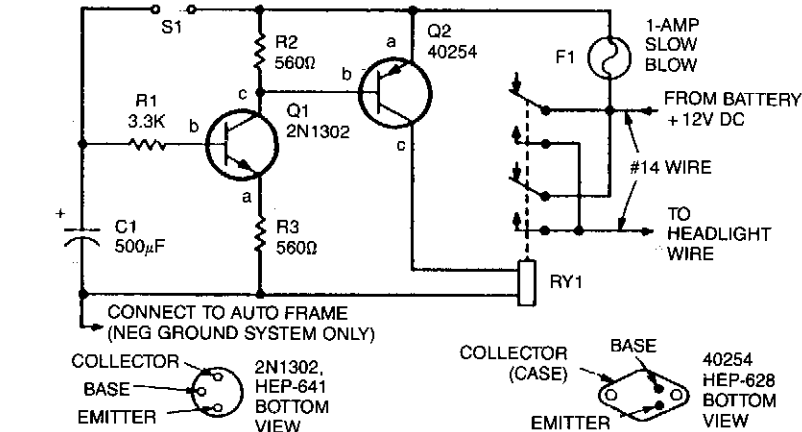
| No. of<br>Cylinders | Events<br>Per Cycle | Strokes<br>Per Cycle |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1                   | 0.5                 | 4                    |
| 4                   | 2                   | 4                    |
| 6                   | 3                   | 4                    |
| 8                   | 4                   | 4                    |

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Fig. 8-10



## AUTOMATIC HEADLIGHT DELAY



C1—500  $\mu$ F electrolytic capacitor, 15 VDC or better  
 Q1—NPN transistor, 2N1302, HEP-641  
 Q2—PNP, transistor, RCA 40254, HEP-628  
 R1—3,300-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor  
 R2, R3—560-ohm, 1/2-watt resistor  
 RY1—Relay, DPDT, 10-amp contacts, 12 VDC coil resistance at least 100-ohms, Potter and Brumfield type MR11D or equiv.

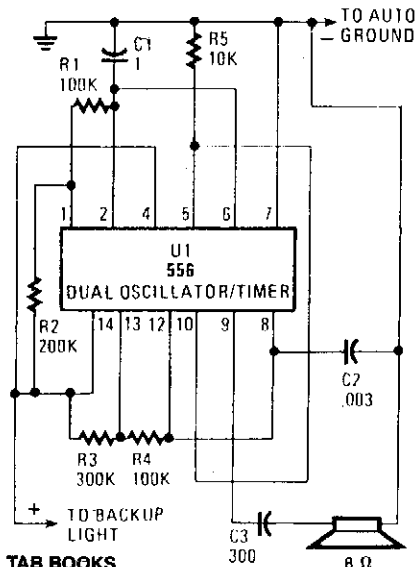
S1—SPST pushbutton switch, normally open (time-start switch)  
 Misc—3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in.  $\times$  2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-in.  $\times$  1<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-in. case, 1-amp SB fuse with pigtail leads, #14 wire, hook-up wire, printed circuit material, hardware, solder, etc.

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**Fig. 8-13**

When the driver depresses pushbutton switch S1, timing capacitor C1 charges to 12 V and turns on transistor Q1, which drives power transistor Q2 into conduction. This, in turn, energizes the relay which has its contacts connected in parallel with the headlight switch. The relay will stay energized until C1 discharges to the Q1 turn-off level. The lights-on period is determined by the value of C1, R1, and the characteristics of transistor Q1. With values chosen on the schematic, about 60 light-on seconds are provided.

## BACK-UP BEEPER

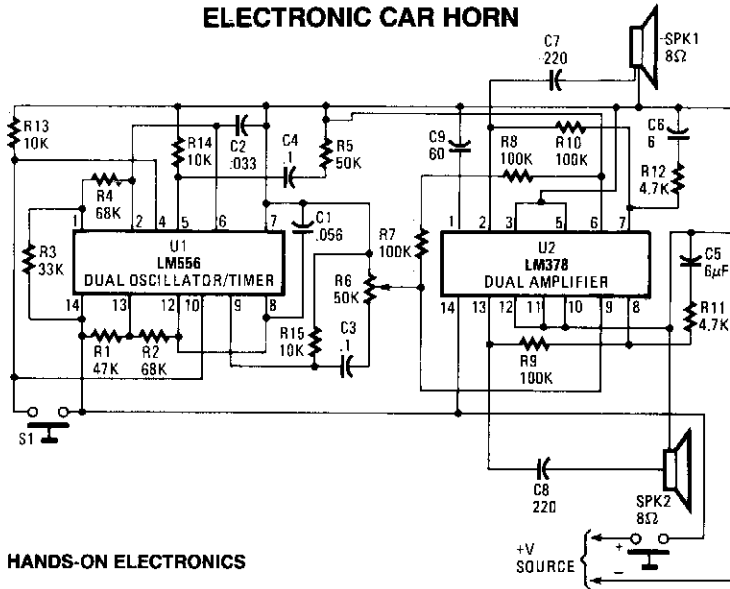


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**Fig. 8-14**

Put the car in reverse and the circuit provides a loud, audible beep at the rate of about one per second (1 Hz). Half of U1, a 556 dual oscillator/timer, is used as a slow-pulse oscillator with a rate of about 1 Hz. Components R2, R1, and C1 form the long time constant. You can calculate on time by  $t = .7 (R1 + R2) C1$  or 1.15 seconds. The off time is shorter than the on time, at .77 second. Enabling pin 4 (reset) is held high to keep the oscillator free-running when voltage is applied to pin 14. The output at pin 5 is coupled to pin 10 of U1 enabling oscillator 2. Oscillator 2 of U1 produces an audio output of about 1 kHz, as determined by C2, R3, and R4. Pin 10 (reset) of oscillator 2 is connected to the pin 5 output of oscillator 1. So when pin 5 becomes positive, the oscillator beeps a short pulsed tone of 1 kHz.

## ELECTRONIC CAR HORN

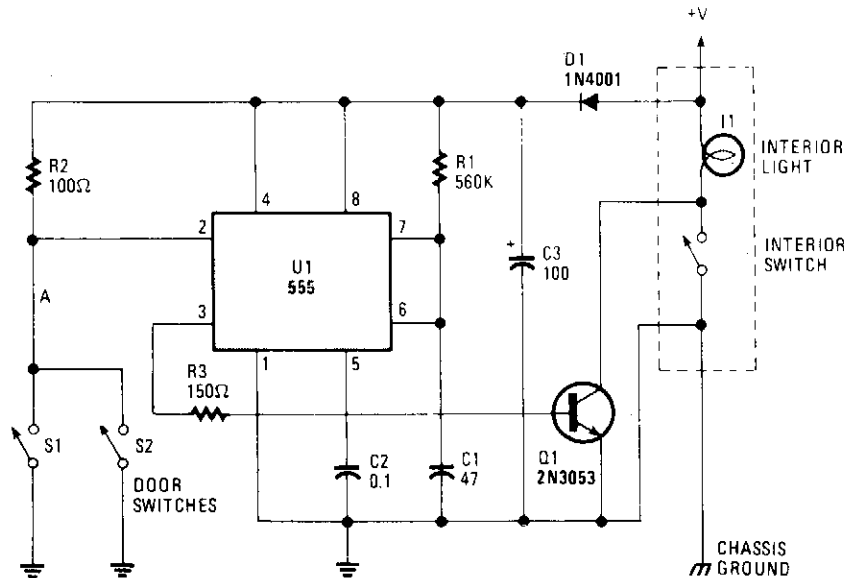


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**Fig. 8-15**

An LM556 dual oscillator/timer, U1, configured as a two-tone oscillator drives U2, a dual 4-watt amplifier. One of the oscillators, pins 1 to 6, contained in U1 produces the upper frequency signal of about 200 Hz, while the second oscillator, pins 8 to 13, provides the lower frequency signal of about 140 Hz. Increase or decrease the frequencies by changing the values of C2 and C3. U1's outputs, pins 9 and 5, are connected to separate potentiometers to provide control over volume and balance. Each half of U2 produces 4 W of audio that is delivered to two 8-Ω loudspeakers via capacitors C7 and C8.

## COURTESY LIGHT EXTENDER



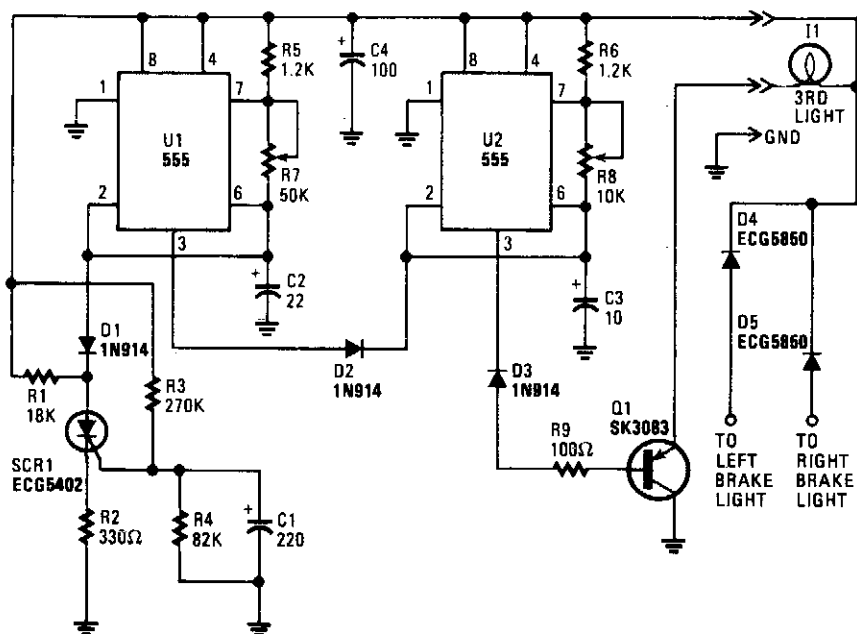
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**Fig. 8-16**

## COURTESY LIGHT EXTENDER (Cont.)

The circuit keeps the courtesy light on for 30 seconds after you close the door. The lead from the door switch is removed and connected to the 555 circuit. The 555 is arranged in a monostable mode, and is triggered by the door switches. The output drives Q1, which is connected across the interior light switch. The interior light is turned on for 30 seconds after the door is opened. If the door(s) are held open for longer than 30 seconds, it will not reset until after the doors are closed. In that case, the lights go out immediately.

## FLASHING THIRD BRAKE LIGHT



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Fig. 8-17

When power is first applied, three things happen: light-driving transistor Q1 is switched on due to a low output from U2 pin 3; timer U1 begins its timing cycle, with the output, pin 3, becoming high, inhibiting U2's trigger, pin 2, via D2; and charge current begins to move through R3 and R4 to C1.

When U1's output becomes low, the inhibiting bias on U2 pin 2 is removed, so U2 begins to oscillate, flashing the third light via Q1, at a rate determined by R8, R6, and C3. That oscillation continues until the gate-threshold voltage of SCR1 is reached, causing it to fire and pull U1's trigger, pin 2, low.

With its trigger low, U1's output is forced high, disabling U2's triggering. With triggering inhibited, U2's output switches to a low state, which makes Q1 conduct, turning on I1 until the brakes are released. Of course, removing power from the circuit resets SCR1, but the rc network consisting of R4 and C1 will not discharge immediately and will trigger SCR1 earlier. So, frequent brake use means fewer flashes.

## HEADLIGHT ALARM

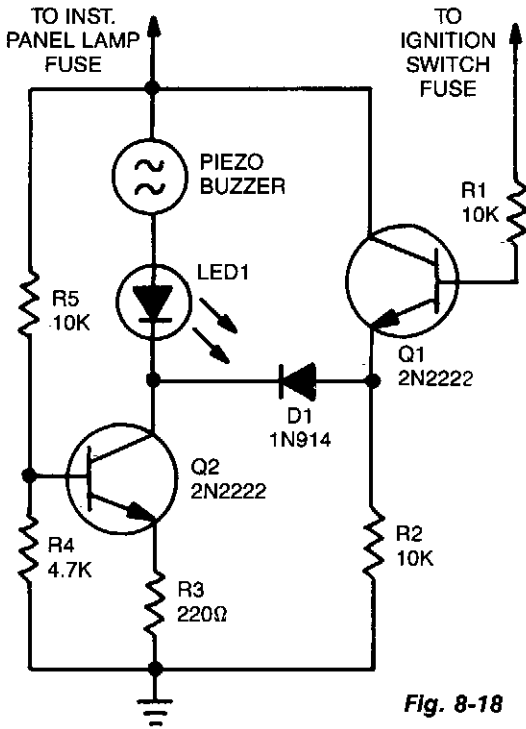


Fig. 8-18

The base of Q1 is connected to the car's ignition circuit. One side of the piezoelectric buzzer is connected to the instrument-panel light fuse. When the headlights are off, no current reaches the buzzer, and therefore nothing happens. What happens when the headlights are on depends on the state of the ignition switch. When the ignition switch is on, transistors Q1 and Q2 are biased on, removing the buzzer and the LED from the circuit. When the ignition switch is turned off, but the headlight switch remains on; transistor Q1 is turned off, but transistor Q2 continues to be biased on. The result is that the voltage is sufficient to sound the buzzer loudly and light the LED. Turning off the headlight switch will end the commotion quickly.

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## Battery Chargers

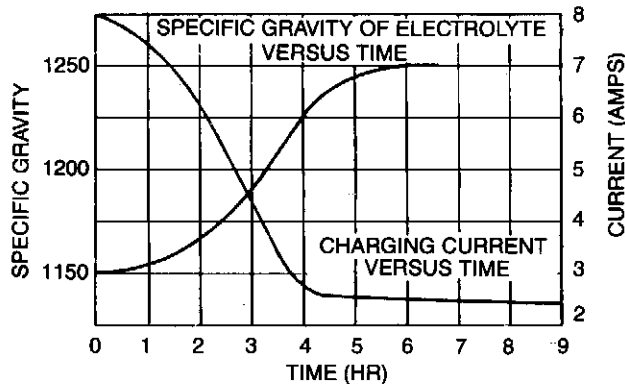
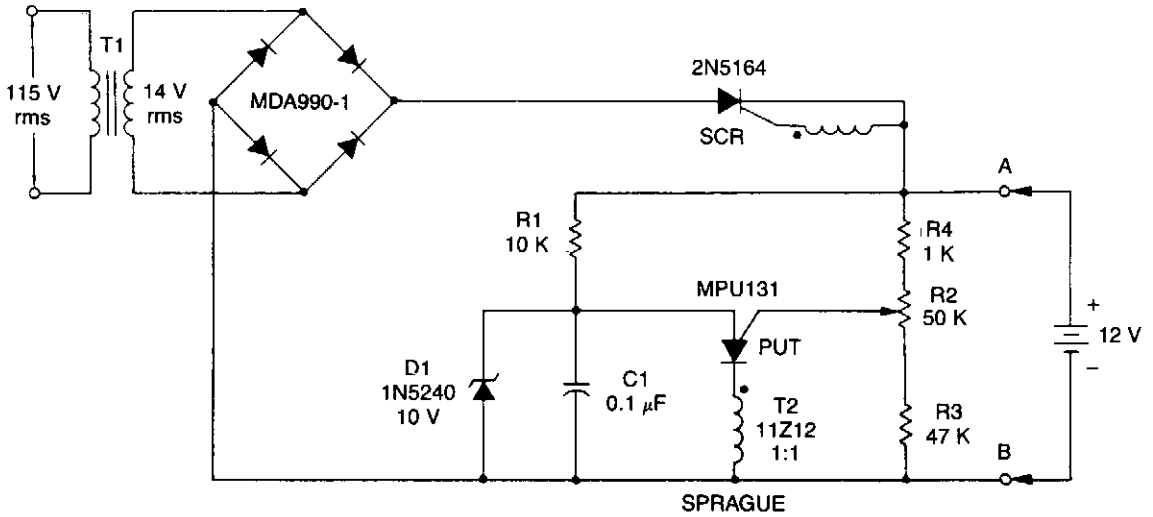
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| PUT Battery Charger            | UJT Battery Charger            |
| Lead/Acid Battery Charger      | Portable NiCad Battery Charger |
| Lead/Acid Low-Battery Detector | Universal Battery Charger      |
| Universal Battery Charger      | Low-Battery Warning            |



## PUT BATTERY CHARGER

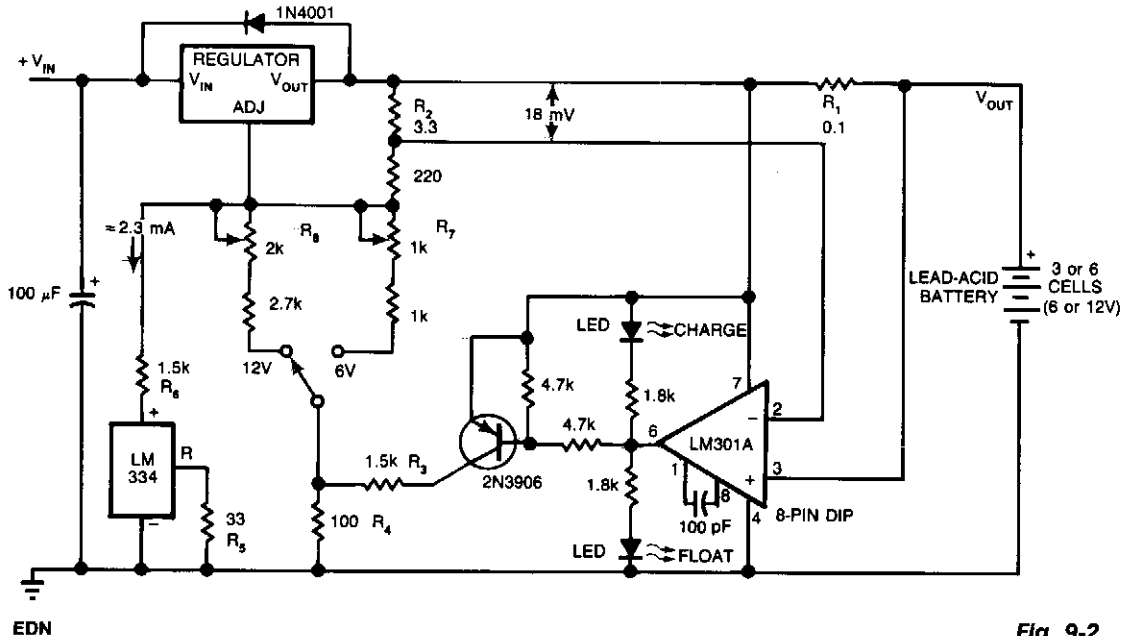


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**Fig. 9-1**

A short-circuit-proof battery charger will provide an average charging current of about 8 A to a 12-V lead/acid storage battery. The charger circuit has an additional advantage; it will not function nor will it be damaged by improperly connecting the battery to the circuit. With 115 V at the input, the circuit commences to function when the battery is properly attached. The battery provides the current to charge the timing capacitor C1 used in the PUT relaxation oscillator. When C1 charges to the peak point voltage of the PUT, the PUT fires turning the SCR on, which in turn applies charging current to the battery. As the battery charges, the battery voltage increases slightly which increases the peak point voltage of the PUT. This means that C1 has to charge to a slightly higher voltage to fire the PUT. The voltage on C1 increases until the zener voltage of D1 is reached, which clamps the voltage on C1, and thus prevents the PUT oscillator from oscillating and charging ceases. The maximum battery voltage is set by potentiometer R2 which sets the peak point firing voltage of the PUT. In the circuit shown, the charging voltage can be set from 10 V to 14 V—the lower limit being set by D1 and the upper limit by T1.

## LEAD/ACID BATTERY CHARGER



**Fig. 9-2**

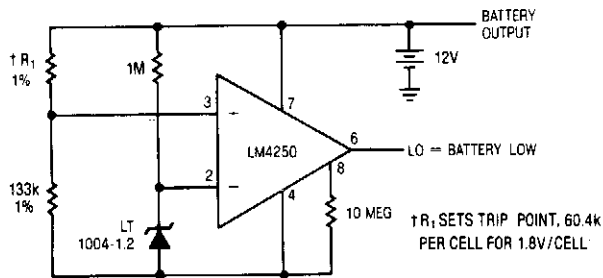
This circuit furnishes an initial voltage of 2.5 V per cell at 25°C to rapidly charge a battery. The charging current decreases as the battery charges, and when the current drops to 180 mA, the charging circuit reduces the output voltage to 2.35 V per cell, leaving the battery in a fully charged state. This lower voltage prevents the battery from overcharging, which would shorten its life.

The LM301A compares the voltage drop across R1 with an 18 mV reference set by R2. The comparator's output controls the voltage regulator, forcing it to produce the lower float voltage when the battery-charging current, passing through R1, drops below 180 mA. The 150 mV difference between the charge and float voltages is set by the ratio of R3 to R4. The LEDs show the state of the circuit.

Temperature compensation helps prevent overcharging, particularly when a battery undergoes wide temperature changes while being charged. The LM334 temperature sensor should be placed near or on the battery to decrease the charging voltage by 4 mV/°C for each cell. Because batteries need more temperature compensation at lower temperatures, change R5 to 30 Ω for a tc of -5 mV/°C per cell if application will see temperatures below -20°C.

The charger's input voltage must be filtered dc that is at least 3 V higher than the maximum required output voltage: approximately 2.5 V per cell. Choose a regulator for the maximum current needed: LM371 for 2 A, LM350 for 4 A, or LM338 for 8 A. At 25°C and with no output load, adjust R7 for a  $V_{OUT}$  of 7.05 V, and adjust R8 for a  $V_{OUT}$  of 14.1 V.

## LEAD/ACID LOW-BATTERY DETECTOR



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Fig. 9-3

## UNIVERSAL BATTERY CHARGER

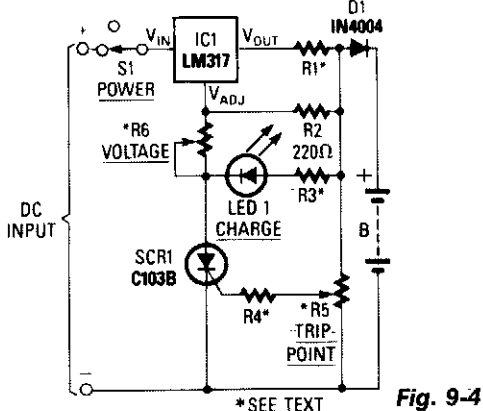
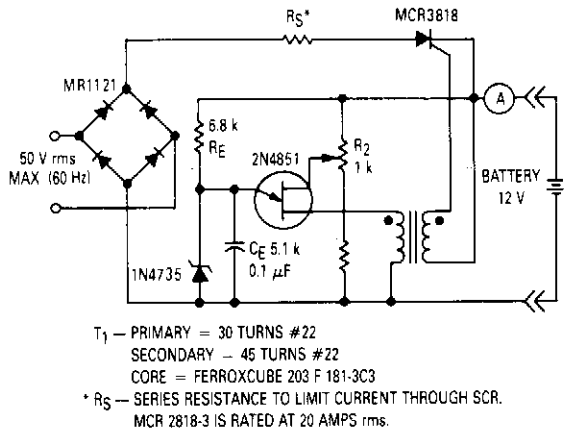


Fig. 9-4

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When power is applied to the circuit, SCR1 is off, so there is no bias-current path to ground; thus, LM317 acts as a current regulator. The LM317 is connected to the battery through steering diode D1, limiting resistor R1, and bias resistor R2. The steering diode prevents the battery from discharging through the LED and the SCR when power is removed from the circuit. As the battery charges, the voltage across trip-point potentiometer R5 rises, and at some point, turns on the SCR. Then, current from the regulator can flow to ground, so the regulator now functions in the voltage mode. When the SCR turns on, it also provides LED1 with a path to ground through R3. So, when LED1 is on, the circuit is in the voltage-regulating mode; when LED1 is off, the circuit is in the current-regulating mode.

## UJT BATTERY CHARGER

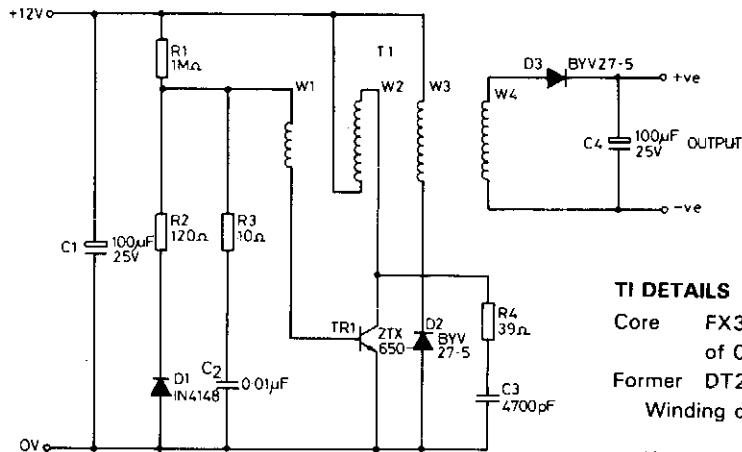


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Fig. 9-5

This circuit will not work unless the battery to be charged is connected with proper polarity. The battery voltage controls the charger and when the battery is fully charged, the charger will not supply current to the battery. The battery charging current is obtained through the SCR when it is triggered into the conducting state by the UJT relaxation oscillator. The oscillator is only activated when the battery voltage is low.  $V_{B2B1}$  of the UJT is derived from the voltage of the battery to be charged, and since  $V_P = V_D = V_{B2B1}$ ; the higher  $V_{B2B1}$ , the higher  $V_P$ . When  $V_P$  exceeds the breakdown voltage of the zener diode Z1, the UJT will cease to fire and the SCR will not conduct. This indicates that the battery has attained its desired charge as set by R2.

## PORTABLE NICAD BATTERY CHARGER



### TI DETAILS

|        |                                     |        |
|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Core   | FX3437 With Gap/Spacer<br>of 0.08mm |        |
| Former | DT2492                              |        |
|        | Winding order W2, W4, W3 then W1    |        |
| W2     | 40T                                 | 30awg. |
| W4     | 20T                                 | 30awg. |
| W3     | 13T                                 | 36awg. |
| W1     | 12T                                 | 36awg. |

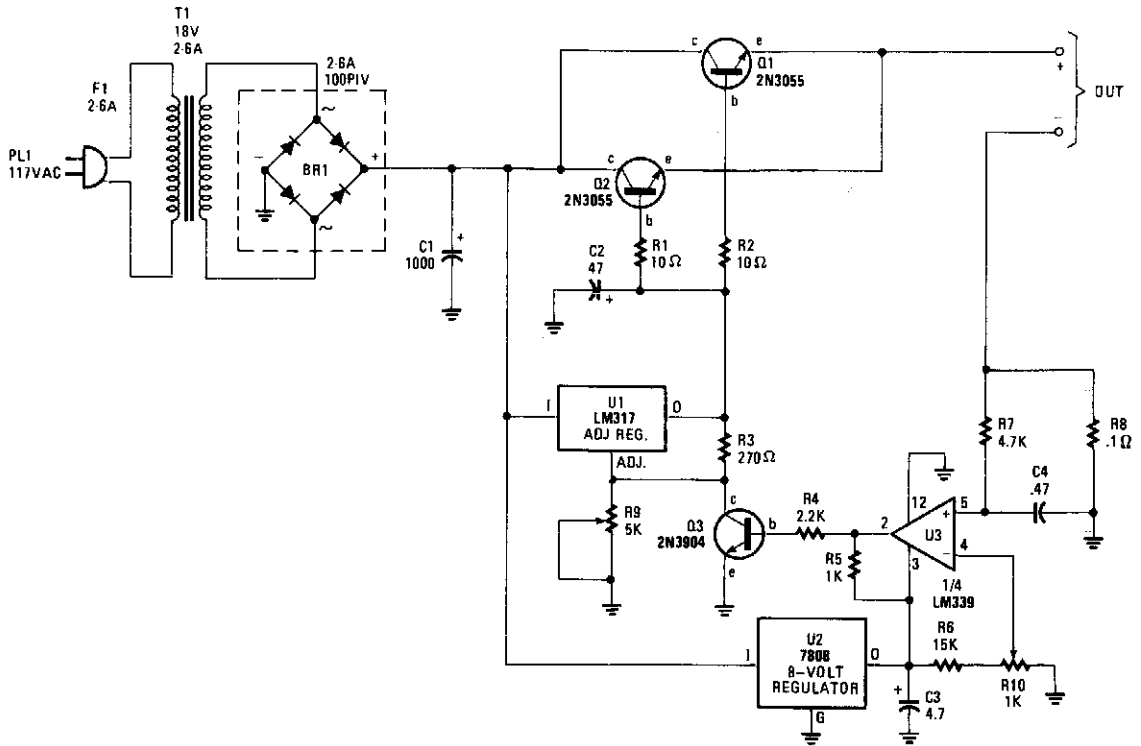
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Fig. 9-6

This circuit was designed to charge NiCad battery packs in the range of 4.8 to 15.6 V from a convenient remote power source, such as an automobile battery. When power is first applied to the circuit, a small bias current supplied by R1 via winding W1, starts to turn on the transistor TR1. This forces a voltage across W2 and the positive feedback given by the coupling of W1 and W2 causes the transistor to turn hard on, applying the full supply across W2. The base drive voltage induced across W1 makes the junction between R1 and R2 become negative with respect to the 0-V supply, forward-biasing diode D1 to provide the necessary base current to hold TR1 on.

With the transistor on, a magnetizing current builds up in W2, which eventually saturates the ferrite core of transformer T1. This results in a sudden increase on the collector current flowing through TR1, causing its collector-emitter voltage to rise, and thus reducing the voltage across W2. The current flowing in W2 forces the collector voltage of the TR1 to swing positive until restricted by transformer output loading. R<sub>c</sub> network R4 and C3 limits the turn off transient TR1. R3 and C2 maintain the loop gain of the circuit when diode D1 is not conducting.

## UNIVERSAL BATTERY CHARGER



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**Fig. 9-7**

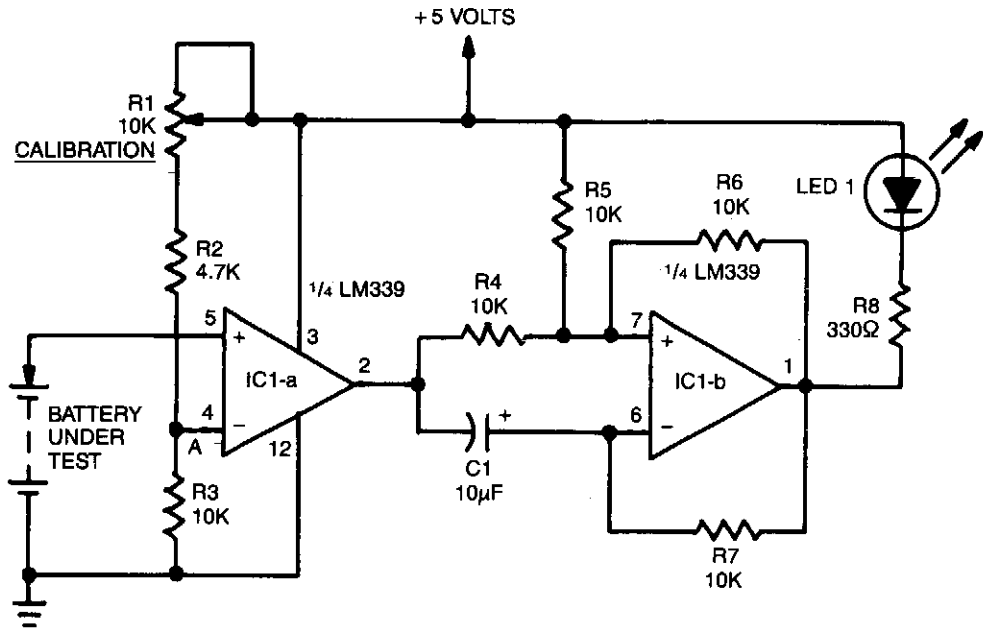
The charger's output voltage is adjustable and regulated, and has an adjustable constant-current charging circuit that makes it easy to use with most NiCad batteries. The charger can charge a single cell or a number of series-connected cells up to a maximum of 18 V.

Power transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected as series regulators to control the battery charger's output voltage and charge-current rate. An LM317 adjustable voltage regulator supplies the drive signal to the bases of power transistors Q1 and Q2. Potentiometer R9 sets the output-voltage level. A current-sampling resistor, R8 (a 0.1-Ω, 5-W unit), is connected between the negative output lead and circuit ground. For each amp of charging that flows through R8, a 100 mV output is developed across it. The voltage developed across R8 is fed to one input of comparator U3. The other input of the comparator is connected to variable resistor R10.

As the charging voltage across the battery begins to drop, the current through R8 decreases. Then the voltage feeding pin 5 of U3 decreases, and the comparator output follows, turning Q3 back off, which completes the signal's circular path to regulate the battery's charging current.

The charging current can be set by adjusting R10 for the desired current. The circuit's output voltage is set by R9.

## LOW-BATTERY WARNING



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Fig. 9-8

A voltage divider consisting of R1, R2, and R3 is used to set the input reference voltage below which the batteries are to be replaced. That reference voltage, at point A, is varied by R1. With the voltage divider shown in Fig. 9-7, a range of 2 to 3.5 V is possible. When the battery voltage drops below that at point A, the output of IC1a,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a LM339 quad comparator, switches from high to low. That triggers IC1b, which is configured as an astable multivibrator. Feedback resistors R6 and R7, coupled with capacitor C1, determine the time constant of the multivibrator. The output from IC1b is connected to LED1 through dropping resistor R8. With the circuit values as shown, the LED will flash at a rate of 3 Hz. Although this circuit was designed specifically to monitor RAM back-up batteries, it can of course be modified for use in just about any application where the condition of a battery must be found.

# 10

## Battery Monitors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

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| Quickly Deactivating Battery Sensor               | NiCad-Battery Analyzer         |
| Automatic Shutoff for Battery-Powered<br>Projects | Low-Battery Protector          |
| NiCad-Battery Protection Circuit                  | Low-Battery Warning/Disconnect |
| 9-V Battery Life Extender                         | Battery Capacity Tester        |
| Auto Battery Alternator Monitor                   | Battery Splitter               |
| Low-Battery Detector                              | Electric Vehicle Battery Saver |

## QUICKLY DEACTIVATING BATTERY SENSOR

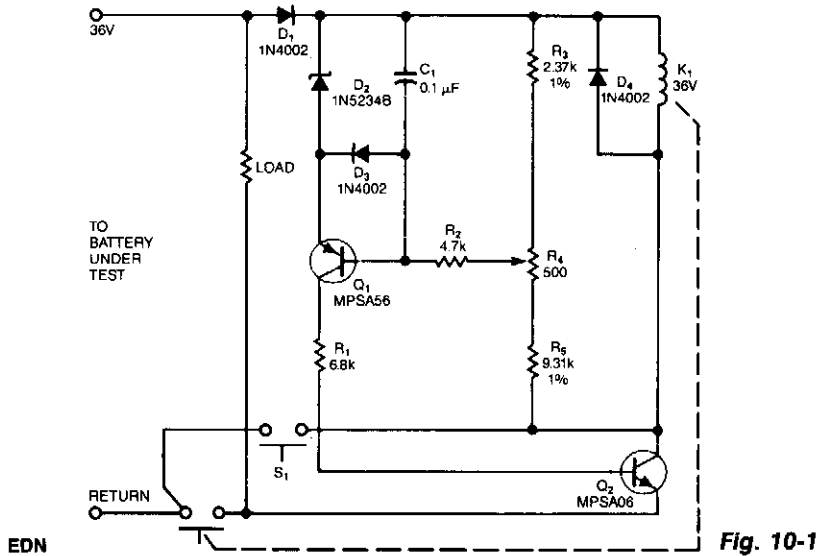


Fig. 10-1

The sensing circuit rapidly disconnects the battery voltage and load whenever the voltage drops below a preset threshold. One-way operation prevents the circuit from reconnecting the load if the voltage should then rise above the threshold. C1 ensures that the circuit doesn't activate while making connections to the battery; if you accidentally reverse these connections, D1 will block the turn on the relay.

After you connect the battery, nothing happens until you depress pushbutton switch S1, which allows relay K1 to energize. When you release S1, the relay remains on only if the battery voltage is above the minimum level. You preset this threshold—to 31.5 V when testing 36-V batteries, for example—using R4. Q1 begins to turn off as the battery voltage drops. Once the threshold level is reached, Q2 also begins to turn off, and its rising collector voltage provides positive feedback to the base of Q1, accelerating the turn off. When Q2 turns off, the relay drops out, disconnecting the battery from its load.

## AUTOMATIC SHUTOFF FOR BATTERY-POWERED PROJECTS

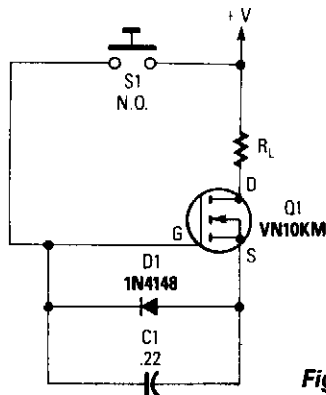
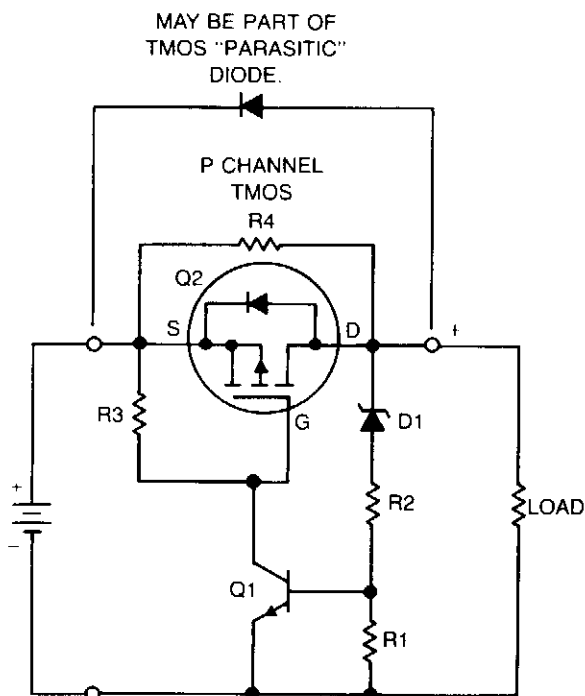


Fig. 10-2

When S1 is depressed, C1 begins to charge to the supply voltage. That places a forward bias on the gate of Q1 turning it on and supplying current to load resistor RL. When the charge on C1 leaks off, the transistor shuts off, cutting off current to the load. That load could be anything from a transistor radio to a child's toy. Transistor Q1, available from Radio Shack as part No. 276-2070, is rated at 0.5 A at 60 Vdc. With a supply voltage of 9 Vdc and with C1 rated at 0.22  $\mu$ F, a delay of about one minute is produced; with C1 rated at 10  $\mu$ F, the delay is about an hour.



## NICAD-BATTERY PROTECTION CIRCUIT



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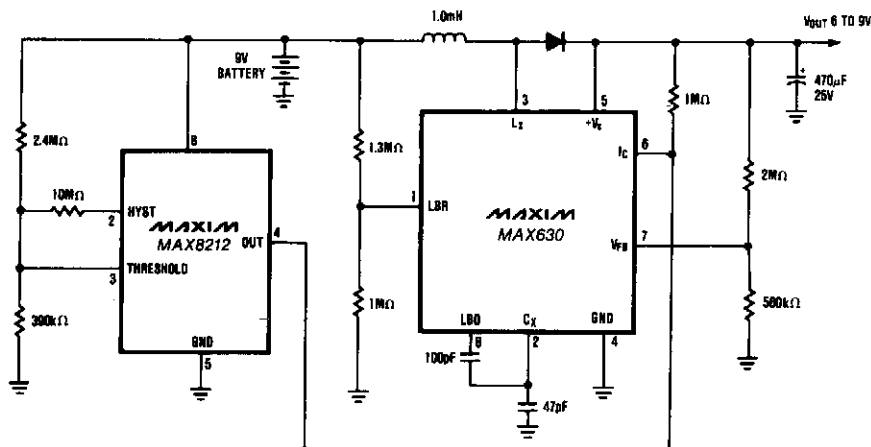
Fig. 10-3

If a NiCad battery is discharged to a point at which the lowest capacity cell becomes fully discharged and reverses polarity, that cell will usually short internally and become unusable. To prevent this type of damage, this circuit detects a one-cell drop of 1.25 V and turns the load off before cell reversal can occur.

Low-current zener or other voltage sensor D1 and resistors R1 and R2 establish a reference level for transistor Q1. These resistors bias the zener to a few microamperes above its "knee." Therefore, if battery voltage falls more than 1.25 V, Q1 turns off, turning off Q2, and disconnecting the load. After the load is disconnected, if the battery returns to nominal voltage, the high value of resistor shunting Q2 provides enough output voltage to reset the voltage sensor and turn Q2 back on. If desirable, shunt diode D2 or the parasitic diode of the T MOS device, if suitable, allows the battery to be charged from the load terminals.

The protection circuit presents a shunt current of only 10 mA at nominal battery voltage, which is low relative to the internal leakage of the batteries.

## 9-V BATTERY LIFE EXTENDER



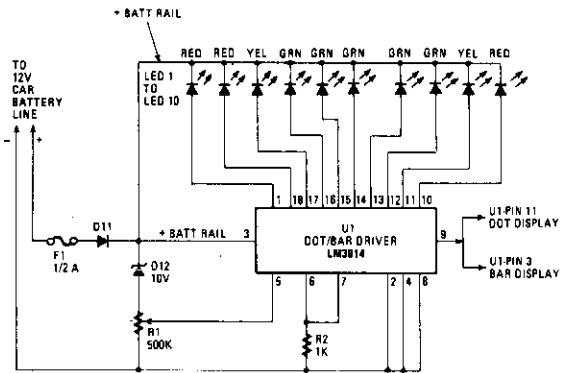
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Fig. 10-4

## 9-V BATTERY LIFE EXTENDER (CONT.)

Circuit provides a minimum of 7 V until the 9-V battery voltage falls to less than 2 V. When the battery voltage is above 7 V, the MAX630's IC pin is low, putting it into the shutdown mode which draws only 10 nA. When the battery voltage falls to 7 V, the MAX8212 voltage detector's output increases. The MAX630 then maintains the output voltage at 7 V. The low battery detector (LBD) is used to decrease the oscillator frequency when the battery voltage falls to 3 V, thereby increasing the output current capability of the circuit. Note that this circuit, with or without the MAX8212, can be used to provide 5 V from 4 alkaline cells. The initial voltage is approximately 6 V, and the output is maintained at 5 V even when the battery voltage falls to less than 2 V.

### AUTO BATTERY ALTERNATOR MONITOR



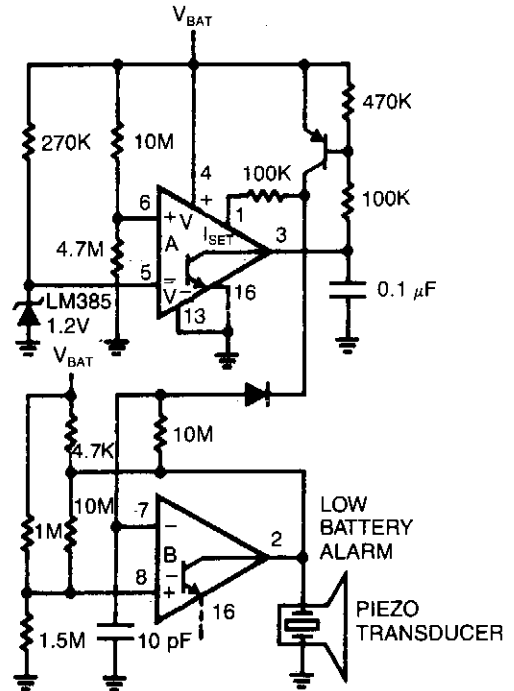
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Fig. 10-5

Most of the circuitry is contained in the LM3914 dot/bar-graph driver IC chip. In addition to the comparator circuitry within the package, it also contains a stable reference supply and the drivers for the LEDs. Resistor R2 acts as the current limiter for all the LEDs. Resistor R2 may be varied for LED brightness.

The unit will illuminate one LED for each voltage condition encountered in the charging system. This system is called a dot-graph display; it is achieved by wiring the mode control at pin 9 to pin 11 on U1. It is possible to wire the monitor so that each lamp will be illuminated up to the maximum voltage on the line at that moment. The latter is referred to as a bar-graph display. By connecting pin 9 to pin 3 on U1, the bar-graph mode will be enabled.

### LOW-BATTERY DETECTOR



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Fig. 10-6

Comparator A detects when the supply voltage drops to 4 V and enables comparator B to drive a piezoelectric alarm.

$I_S$ : 6 V at 45  $\mu$ A

$I_S$ : 3.8 V at 1  $\mu$ A

$f$ : 3 kHz





## BATTERY CAPACITY TESTER

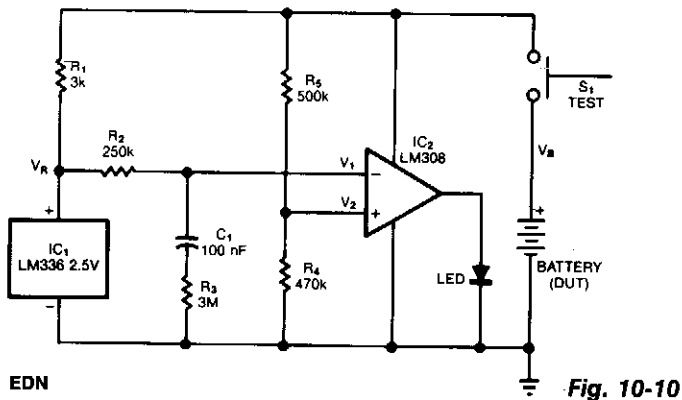
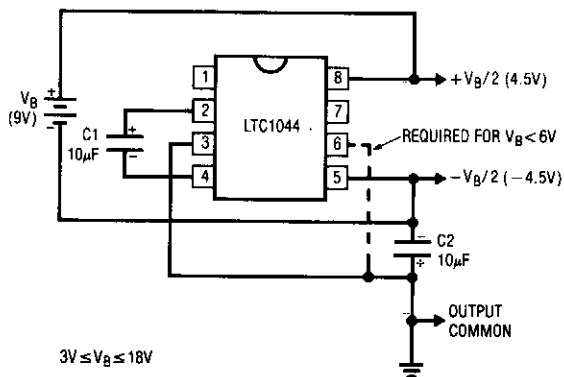


Fig. 10-10

The test circuit gives an indication of the capacity remaining in a battery. By noting the time in seconds that the LED remains on after you depress the test switch S1. The circuit has proven reliable in testing NiCad-, carbon-, and alkaline-type batteries. Closing S1 activates the circuit by applying voltage from the battery under test. Voltage  $V_1$  jumps to a value  $V_0 = V_R R_3 / (R_2 + R_3)$  when the switch closes and then increases with a time constant  $T = C_1 (R_2 + R_3)$ . The divider  $R_4/R_5$  fixes  $V_2$ . The reference circuit IC1 sets  $V_R$  to approximately 2.5 V. The op-amp's output remains high (LED on) until  $V_1$  rises to the level of  $V_2$ , when the LED turns off. Calculate the on-time  $t_{ON}$  as follows:

$$t_{ON} = T \ln \frac{V_R - V_0}{V_R - V_2}$$

## BATTERY SPLITTER



$3V \leq V_B \leq 18V$

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 10-11

A common need in many systems is to obtain positive and negative supplies from a single battery. Where current requirements are small, the circuit shown is a simple solution. It provides symmetrical  $\pm$  output voltages, both equal to one half the input voltage. The output voltages are referenced to pin 3, output common. If the input voltage between pin 8 and pin 5 exceeds 6 V, pin 6 should also be connected to pin 3, as shown by the dashed line. Higher current requirements are served by an LT1010 buffer. The splitter circuit can source or sink up to  $\pm 150$  mA with only 5 mA quiescent current. The output capacitor, C2, can be made as large as necessary to absorb current transients. An input capacitor is also used on the buffer to avoid high frequency instability that can be caused by high source impedance.



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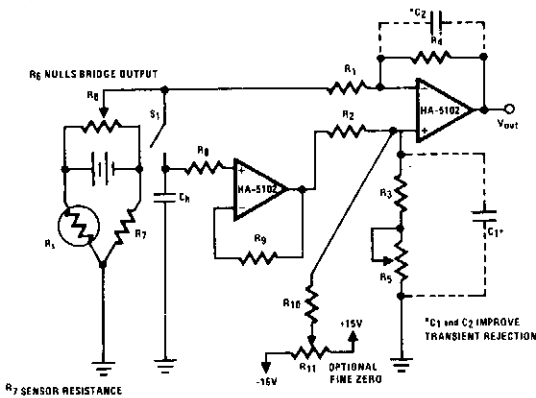
## Bridge Circuits

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Auto-Zeroing Scale  
Accurate Null/Variable Gain Circuit  
Remote Sensor Loop Transmitter  
Bridge Transducer Amplifier  
Strain Gauge Signal Conditioner with  
Bridge Excitation

## AUTO-ZEROING SCALE



**Fig. 11-1**

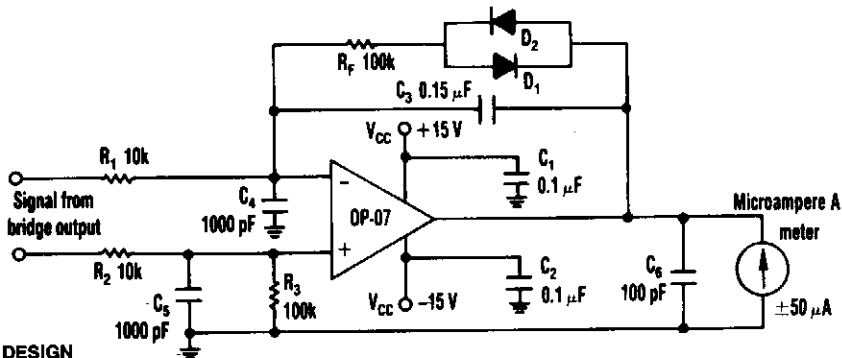
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Electronic scales have come into wide use and the HA-510X, as a very low noise device, can improve such designs. This circuit uses a strain-gauge sensing element as part of a resistive Wien-bridge. An auto-zero circuit is also incorporated into this design by including a sample-and-hold network.

The bridge signal drives the inverting input of a

differentially configured HA-5102. The noninverting input is driven by the other half of the HA-5102 used as a buffer for the holding capacitor, *CH*. This second amplifier and its capacitor *CH* form the sampling circuit used for automatic output zeroing. The 20-K $\Omega$  resistor between the holding capacitor *CH* and the input terminal, reduces the drain from the bias currents. A second resistor *RG* is used in the feedback loop to balance the effect of *R8*. If *R7* is approximately equal to the resistance of the strain gauge, the input signal from the bridge can be roughly nulled with *R6*. With very close matching of the ratio *R4/R1* to *R3/R2*, the output offset can be nulled by closing *S1*. This will charge *CH* and provide a 0-V difference to the inputs of the second amplifier, which results in a 0-V output. In this manner, the output of the strain gauge can be indirectly zeroed. *R10* and potentiometer *R11* provide an additional mechanism for fine tuning *V<sub>OUT</sub>*, but they can also increase offset voltage away from the zero point. *C1* and *C2* reduce the circuit's susceptibility to noise and transients.

## ACCURATE NULL/VARIABLE GAIN CIRCUIT



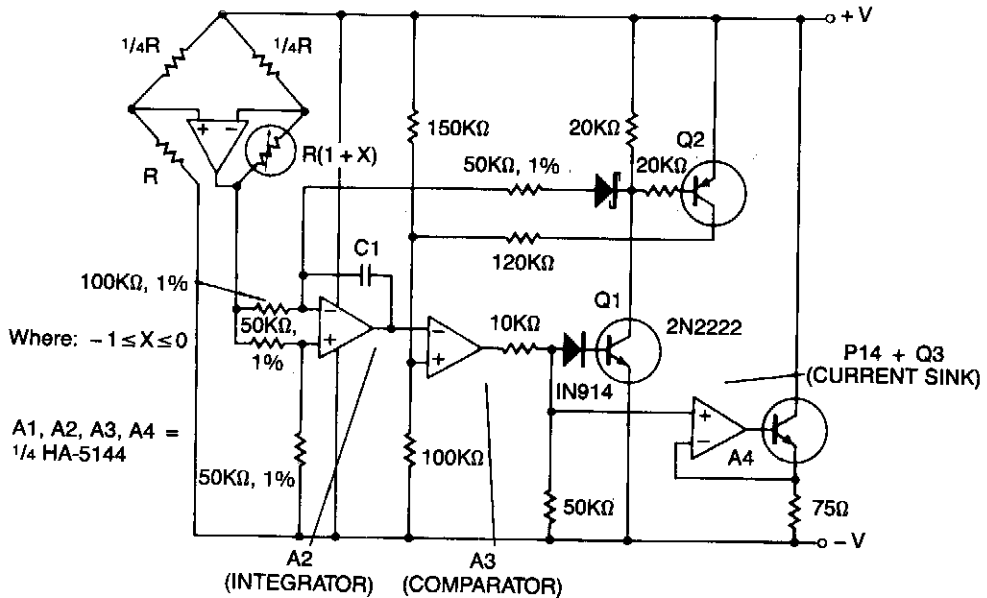
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**Fig. 11-2**

The circuit can use any general-purpose, low-offset, low-drift op amp, such as the OP-07. The differential signal from the bridge feeds an amplifier that drives an ordinary, rugged  $\pm 50\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  meter. Near the null point, however, the drastically reduced signal level from the bridge requires very high gain to achieve a high null resolution. To provide the variable-gain feature, the op amp's feedback path needs a dynamic resistance that increases as the input signal drops. Two common signal diodes, *D1* and *D2*, in an antiparallel configuration in the feedback path supply function for all positive and negative inputs. To stabilize the op amp circuit at high gain, capacitors *C3*, *C5*, and *C6* reduce response to high frequencies; capacitors *C1* and *C2* bypass the amplifier's power supplies.



## REMOTE SENSOR LOOP TRANSMITTER



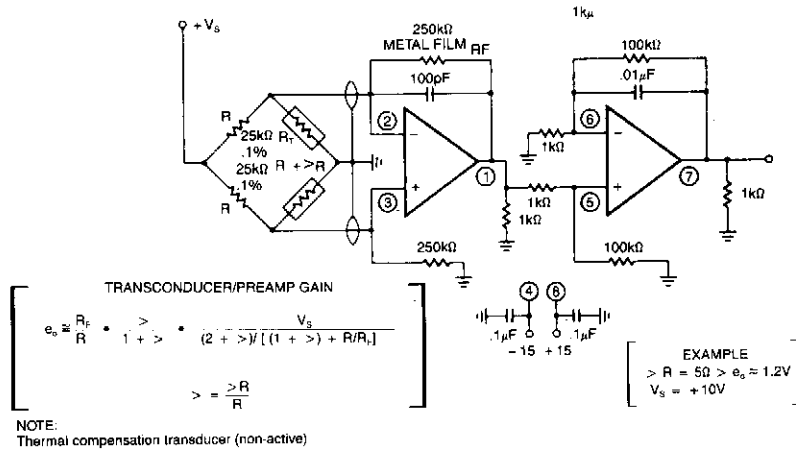
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Fig. 11-3

This circuit shows amplifier A1 as a sensor amplifier in a bridge configuration. Amplifiers A2 and A3 are configured as a voltage to frequency converter and A4 is used as the transmitter. This entire sensor/transmitter can be powered directly from a 4 to 20 mA current loop.

The bridge configuration produces a linear output with respect to the changes in resistance of the sensor. The voltage at the output of A1 causes the integrator output A2 to ramp down until it crosses the comparator threshold voltage of A3. A3 turns on Q1 and Q2. A1 causes the output of A2 to ramp up at a rate nearly equal to its negative slope, while Q2 provides hysteresis for the comparator. In addition, Q1 and Q2 help eliminate changes in power supply loop voltage. Amplifier A4 and Q3 are configured as a constant current sink which turns on when the comparator current increases. The resulting increase in loop current transmits the frequency of the V/F converter back to the control circuitry.

## BRIDGE TRANSDUCER AMPLIFIER

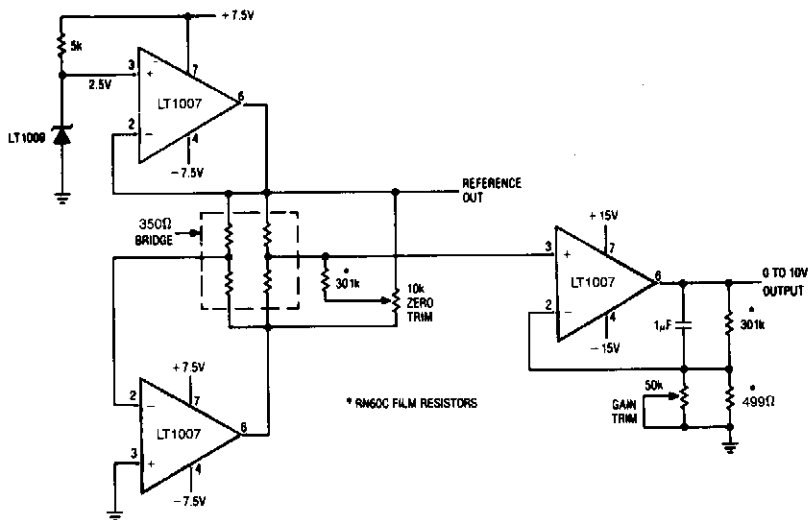


**Fig. 11-4**

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In applications involving strain gauges, accelerometers, and thermal sensors, a bridge transducer is often used. Frequently, the sensor elements are high resistance units requiring equally high bridge resistance for good sensitivity. This type of circuit then demands an amplifier with high input impedance, low bias current and low drift. The circuit shown represents a possible solution to these general requirements.

## STRAIN GAUGE SIGNAL CONDITIONER WITH BRIDGE EXCITATION



**Fig. 11-5**

The LT1007 is capable of providing excitation current directly to bias the 350-Ω bridge at 5 V. With only 5 V across the bridge, as opposed to the usual 10 V, total power dissipation and bridge warm-up drift is reduced. The bridge output signal is halved, but the LT1007 can amplify the reduced signal accurately.

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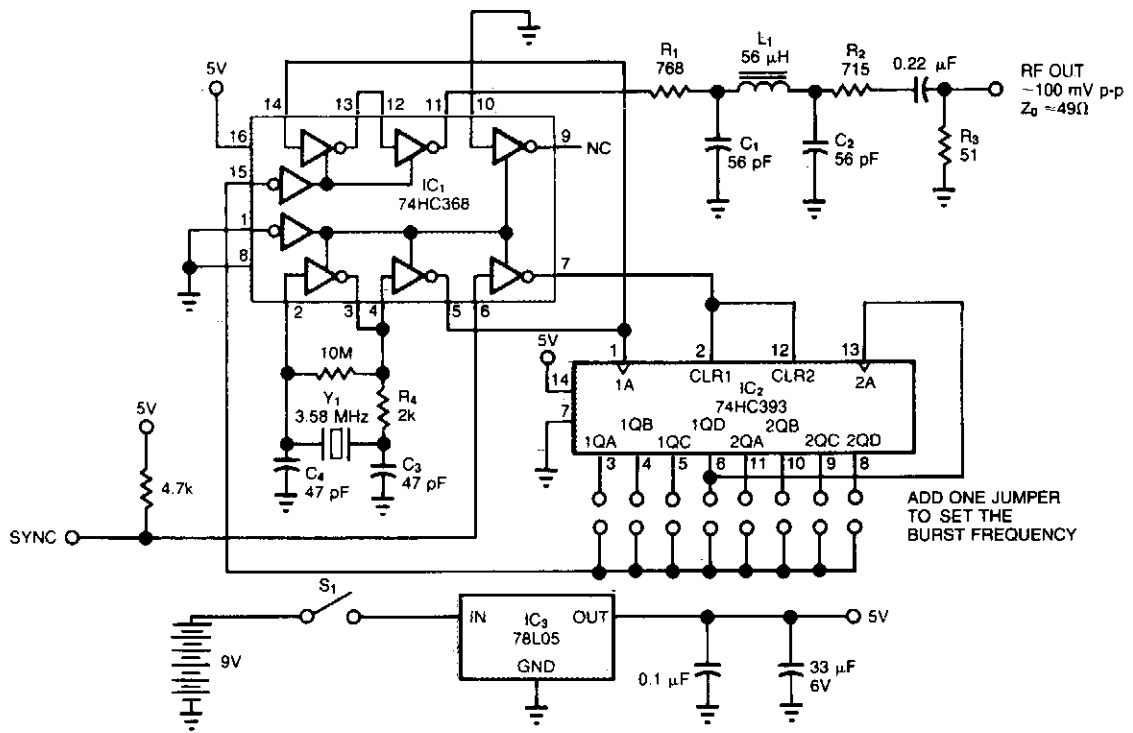
## Burst Generators

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Portable Rf Burst Generator  
Tone Burst Generator for European Repeaters

## PORTABLE RF BURST GENERATOR

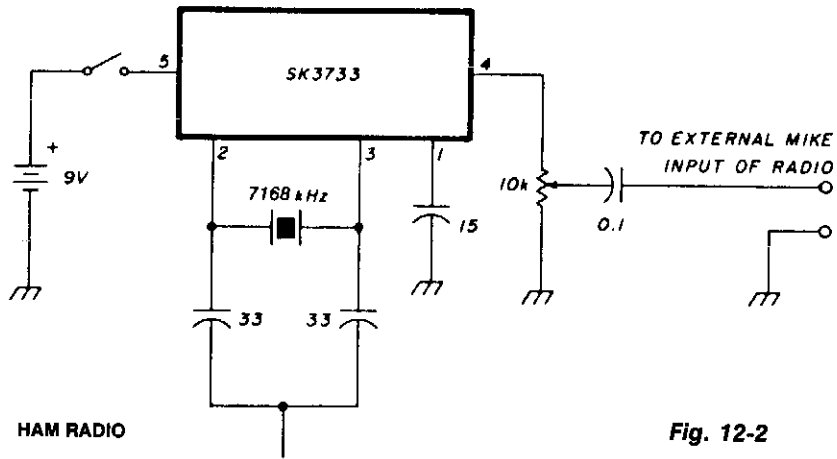


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**Fig. 12-1**

The circuit generates low-level rf bursts having frequencies as high as 10 MHz, thus permitting field testing of high frequency receivers. A jumper-selectable binary fraction ( $1/2$  to  $1/256$  of the Y1 crystal frequency) gates the output rf signal. Output amplitude (open circuit) is approximately 100 mV; output impedance is approximately 49  $\Omega$ . The rf source is a clock oscillator based on a 3.58-MHz, color-burst crystal and two inverting buffers. The oscillator drives two cascaded 4-bit binary counters, IC2, and the sync signal resets the counters with a logic-high pulse—logic low at the counters. Select the desired output frequency by adding a jumper to one of the counter's eight output lines, which provides an enable signal for the two 3-state output buffers. The square-wave output at IC1, pin 11, is attenuated by R1, R2, and R3 to fix the output resistance at approximately 49  $\Omega$ . Resistor R3 is the only critical component; for clean gating, isolate it from the rest of the circuit.

## TONE BURST GENERATOR FOR EUROPEAN REPEATERS



Most European repeaters must be brought up with a 1750-Hz tone. The SK3733 (also known as an ECG1197) IC contains a crystal oscillator and is divided by -256, 1024, 2048, and 4096. A 7168-kHz crystal is used; the divide-by-4096 output produces a 1750-Hz signal.

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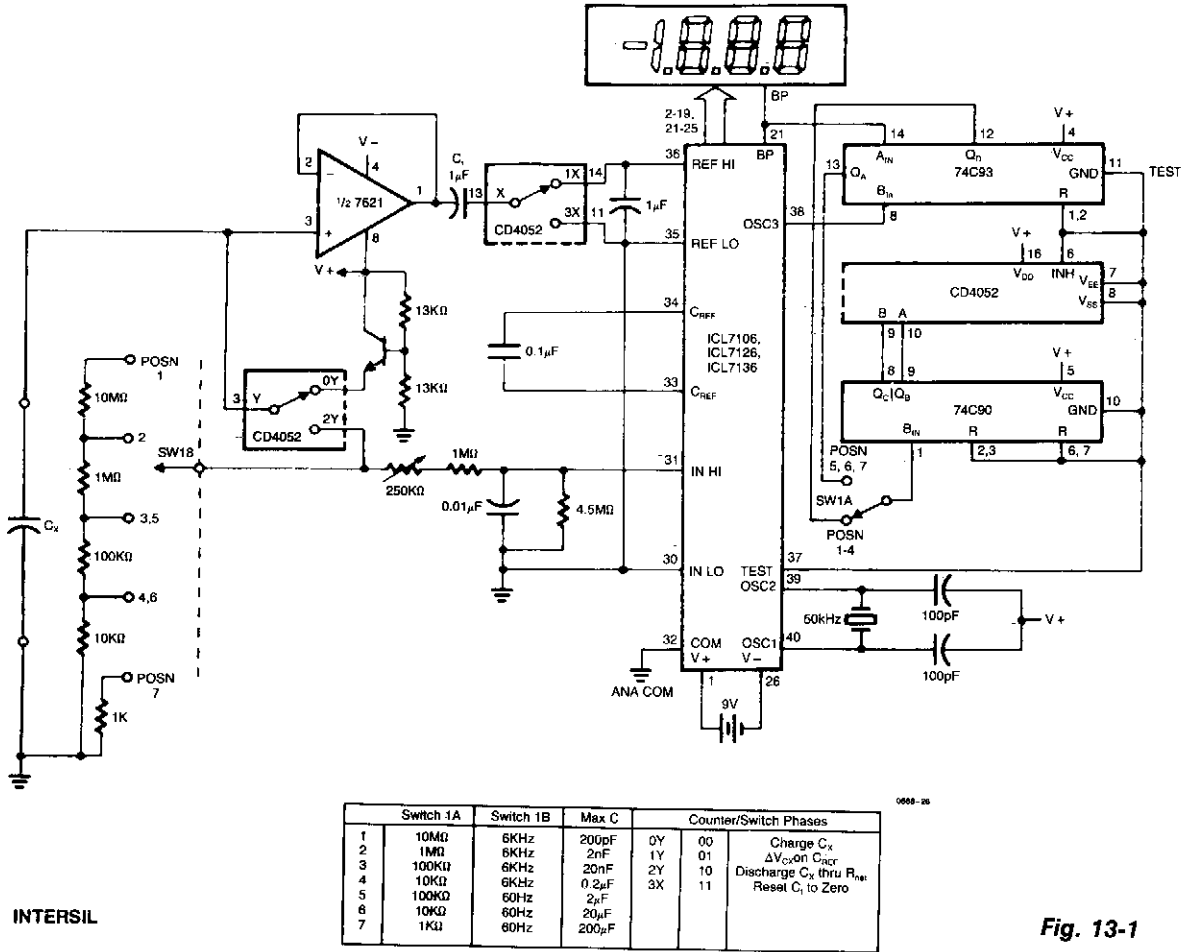
## Capacitance Meters

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3<sup>1/2</sup>-Digit A/D Capacitance Meter  
Capacitance Meter

## 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-DIGIT A/D CAPACITANCE METER



**Fig. 13-1**

The circuit charges and discharges a capacitor at a crystal-controlled rate, and stores on a sample-and-difference amplifier the change in voltage achieved. The current that flows during the discharge cycle is averaged, and ratiometrically measured in the a/d using the voltage change as a reference. Range switching is done by changing the cycle rate and current metering resistor. The cycle rate is synchronized with the conversion rate of the a/d by using the externally divided internal oscillator and the internally divided back plane signals. For convenience in timing, the switching cycle takes 5 counter states, although only four switch configurations are used. Capacitances up to 200 μF can be measured, and the resolution on the lowest range is down to 0.1 pF.

The zero integrator time can be set initially at 1/3 to 1/2, the minimum auto-zero time, but if an optimum adjustment is required, look at the comparator output with a scope under worst-case overload conditions. The output of the delay timer should stay low until after the comparator has come off the rail, and is in the linear region (usually fairly noisy).





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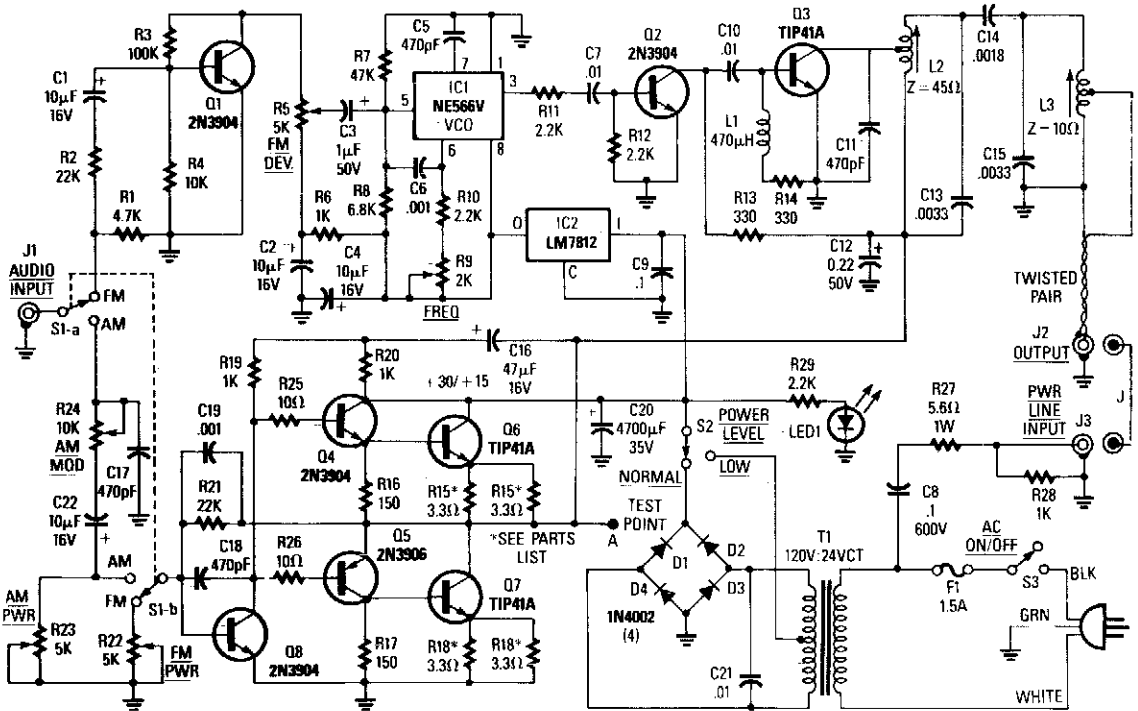
## Carrier-Current Circuits

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Carrier-Current Audio Transmitter  
Carrier-Current FM Receiver  
Carrier-Current AM Receiver  
Power-Line Modem

## CARRIER-CURRENT AUDIO TRANSMITTER



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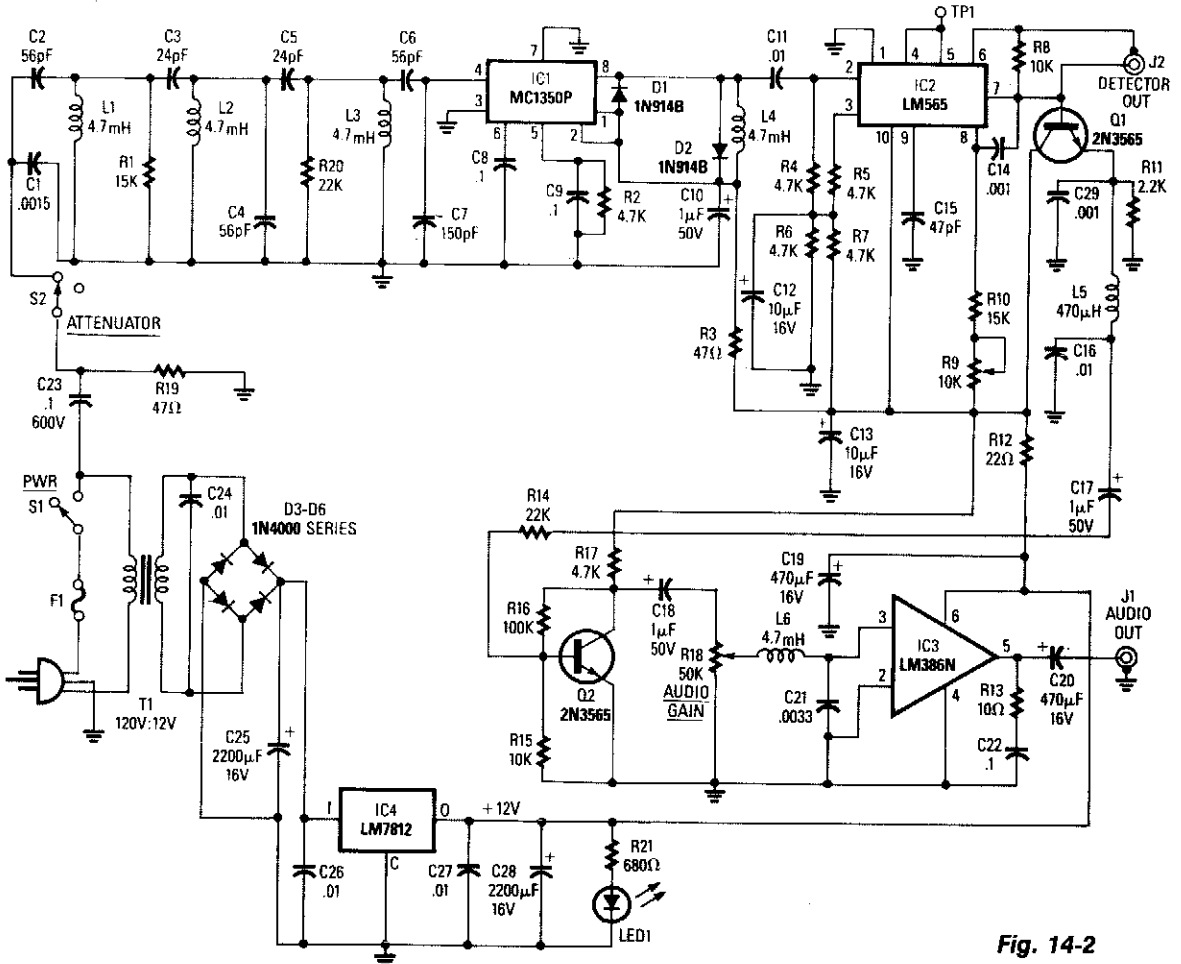
**Fig. 14-1**

The decision to use either AM, narrowband FM (less than 15 kHz), or wideband FM (greater than 30 kHz) depends on the application. For the transmission of music, FM is better because it has greater noise immunity. For speech or other noncritical applications, AM may be satisfactory. Our transmitter permits either mode by switch selection.

Audio is fed from S1a to either the FM or AM circuitry. Starting with the FM section, amplifier Q1 accepts an audio signal in the 10 Hz to 20 kHz range of about 0.5 V peak-to-peak. The audio gain is adjusted via R5 to provide up to 60 kHz deviation of voltage-controlled oscillator IC1 which is set to nominally 280 kHz. IC1 and Q1 are supplied with a regulated 12 V from IC2. A square-wave signal from IC1 pin 3 drives Q2, and Q2 drives the output amplifier Q3. A coupling network is used to match the nominal 45-Ω output impedance of Q3 to the 10-Ω ac line impedance.

In the AM mode, audio is coupled to Q8 via R24 and then amplified again by transistors Q4 to Q7. The normally stable dc voltage at test point A is thereby varied at an audio rate. Because Q2 and Q3 obtain their dc  $V_{CC}$  from test point A, the VCO carrier input to Q2 is amplitude modulated by the varying  $V_{CC}$  amplitude. That produces an amplitude-modulated output from the transmitter. Careful setting of carrier level R23 and audio level R24 provides up to 100% modulation. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

## CARRIER-CURRENT FM RECEIVER



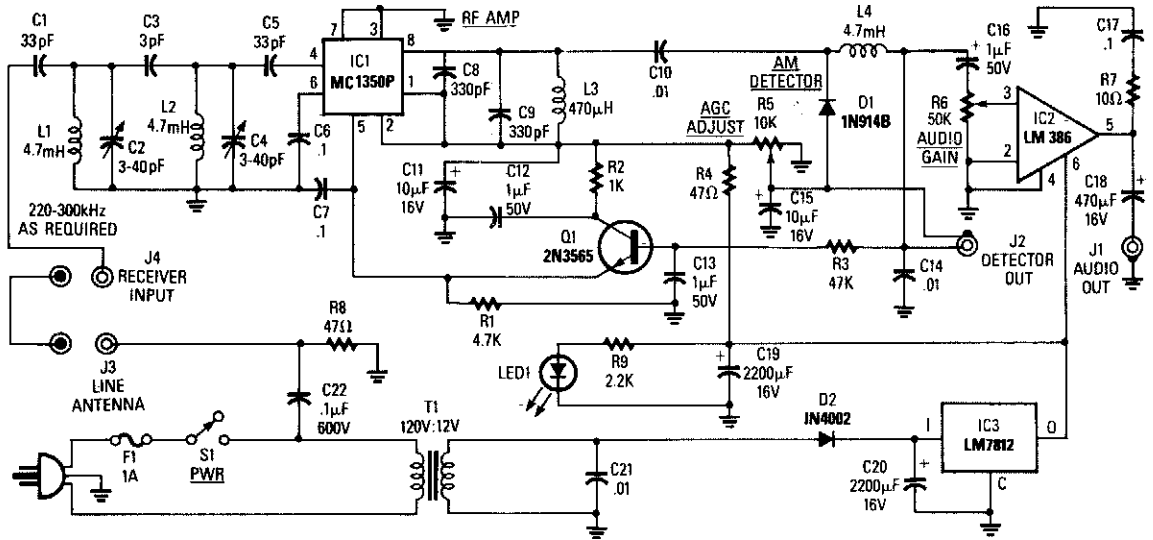
**Fig. 14-2**

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Input signals from the power line are coupled through C23 and R19 to the input filter network. C23 must be rated at 600 volts. Switch S2 is used as an attenuator. Components C2 through C7, L1 through L3, R1, and R20 form a triple-tuned bandpass filter having a passband from 220–340 kHz. Signals from the filter are fed to an MC1350P gain block IC, which is used as a tuned rf amplifier.

IC2, the LM565 PLL, is used as an FM demodulator. Pins 8 and 9 are connected to an internal VCO and components R9, R10, and C15 set the VCO's free running frequency. The VCO signal and the input signal from pin 2 are compared in the phase detector. The output from the phase detector is internally amplified, and then appears at pin 7. The output at pin 7 is a replica of the original modulation on the FM input signal to the receiver; the output at pin 7 is therefore the recovered audio. C17 and R14 couple audio to the base of Q2, which, in conjunction with R15, R16, R17, and C18, form an audio amplifier that brings the recovered audio up to around 1 V peak-to-peak. The signal is then fed into an LM386N audio amplifier, which can deliver up to 1/2 W of audio, coupled via C20, to any standard 8-Ω external speaker. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

## CARRIER-CURRENT AM RECEIVER



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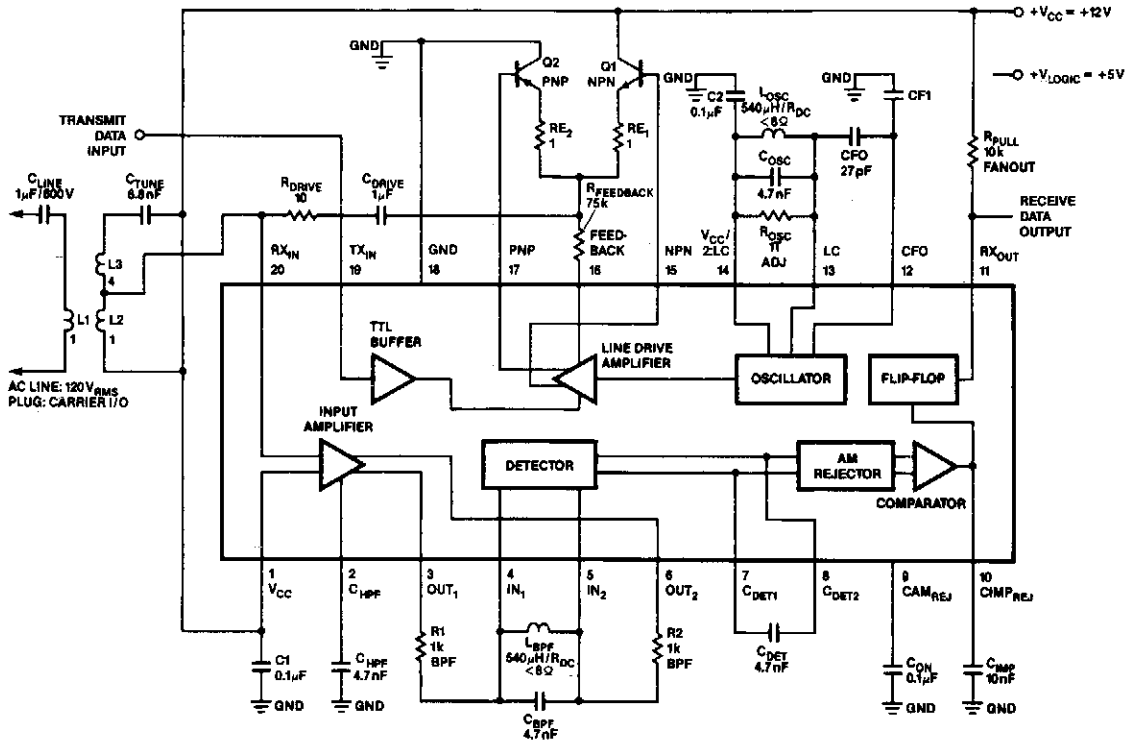
**Fig. 14-3**

The AM Tuned Radio Frequency (TRF) receiver, has a sensitivity of about 1 mV at the input for an audio output of  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. Capacitor C22 couples audio signals from the power line to the PC board—it must be rated at 600 Vdc. R8 will cause F1 to blow, if C22 shorts. The signal from C22 goes to a tuned network (C1 through C5, L1, and L2) that has a 20-kHz bandwidth, which allows only the desired signal to pass through.

IC1 is a *gain block* i-f chip that has AGC capability and approximately 60 dB of gain. Components C8, C9, and L3, which are placed across the output of IC1, are broadly resonant around 280 kHz. C10 couples rf to detector-diode D1, which is used as an envelope detector.

The detector output is taken from C14, which sets the upper frequency limit at about 10 kHz or so. By reducing the value of C14, high frequency response can be obtained. The detector output is connected to an external jack. Audio components are fed to audio-gain control R6, through C16 to IC2, an audio amplifier. C18 couples up to  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt of audio to an external speaker. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

## POWER-LINE MODEM



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Fig. 14-4

In the 100-kHz application from left to right, the coupling network feeds into the receiver section on the bottom of the chip. (The external components are summarized later.) The receive data output is pulled up via  $R_{PULL} = 10\text{ K}\Omega$ . A minimum current of 10 mA sets the voltage drop across  $R_{PULL}$ . Another voltage supply,  $V_{LOGIC}$ , is shown if the user wants to have the output sent at TTL levels. Across the top is the transmitter section; going from right to left, the oscillator network, the class AB output stage (note feedback resistor  $R_{FEEDBACK}$ ) and the drive section. The LC values on the oscillator network should match those on the bandpass filter in the receiver. The drive stage feeds into the coupling network and back into the receive section. This enables the on-chip collision detection with listen-while-talking capability. This effect can be cancelled, although the transmitter will still be connected to the receiver.

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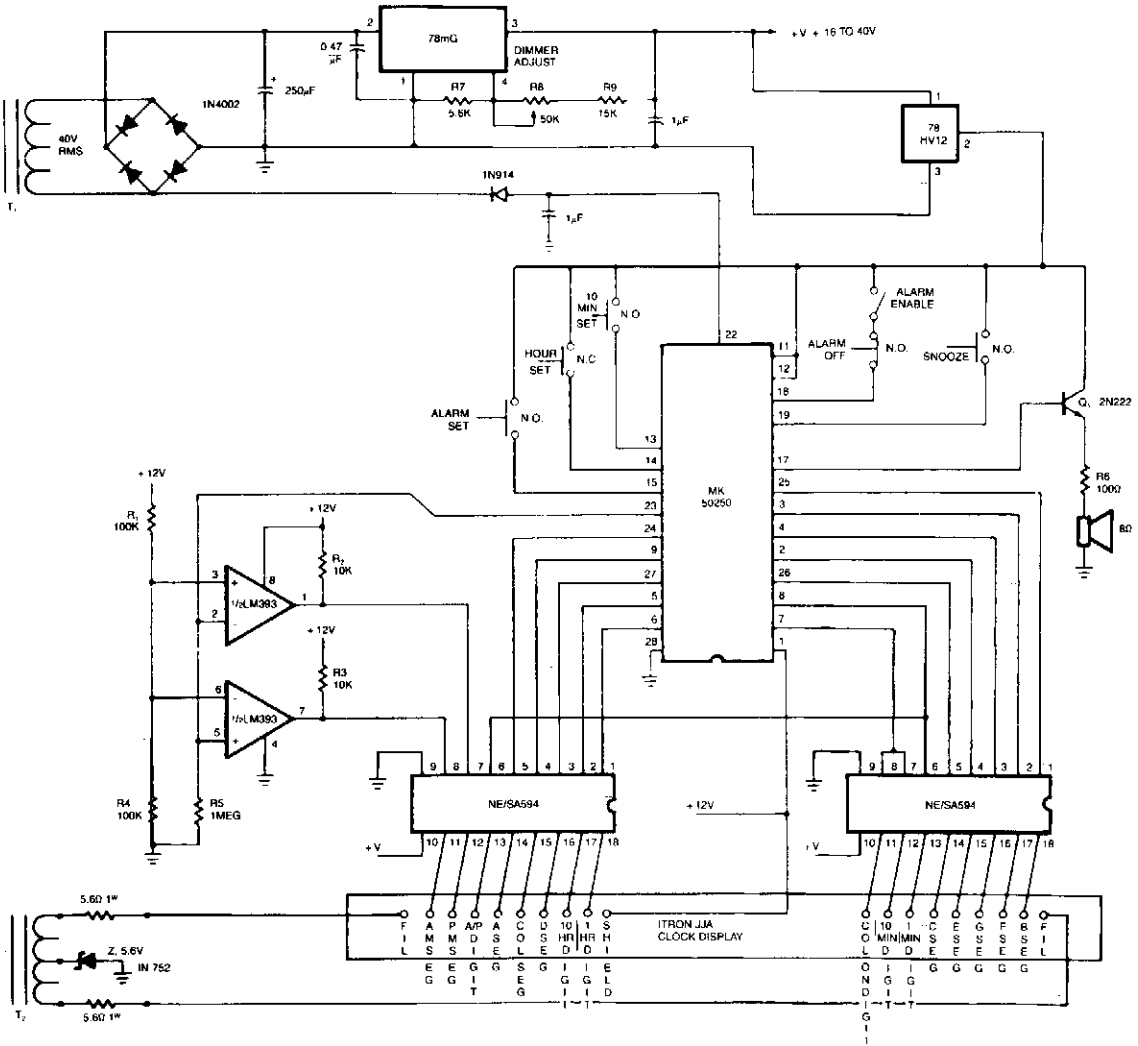
## Clock Circuits

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Digital Clock with Alarm  
Oscillator/Clock Generator  
Single Op Amp Clock  
Wide-Frequency TTL Clock

# DIGITAL CLOCK WITH ALARM



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Fig. 15-1

## OSCILLATOR/CLOCK GENERATOR

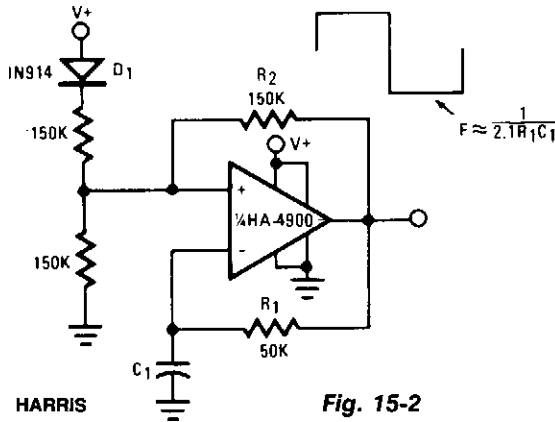


Fig. 15-2

This self-starting fixed-frequency oscillator circuit gives excellent frequency stability. R1 and C1 comprise the frequency-determining network, while R2 provides the regenerative feedback. Diode D1 enhances the stability by compensating for the difference between  $V_{OH}$  and  $V_{SUPPLY}$ . In applications where a precision clock generator up to 100 kHz is required, such as in automatic test equipment, C1 might be replaced by a crystal.

## SINGLE OP AMP CLOCK

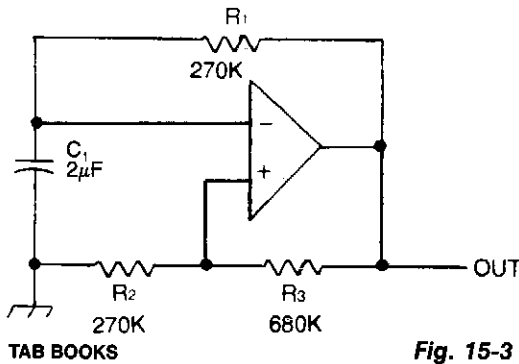
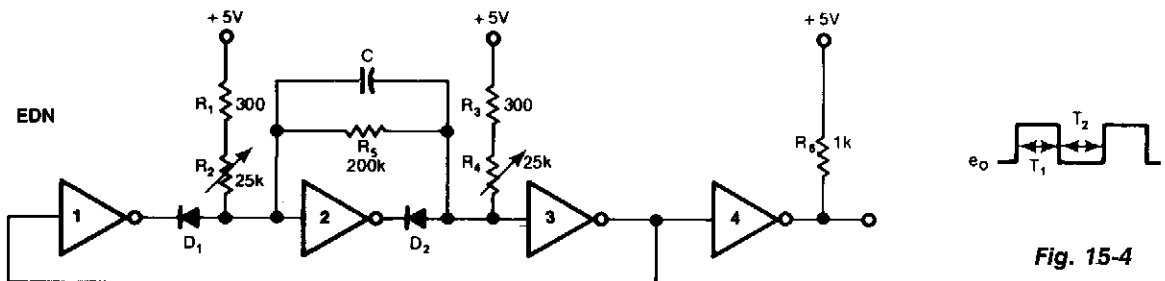


Fig. 15-3

Capacitor C1 is charged through timing resistor R1 when the clock output is high. When C1 reaches the upper threshold voltage, the output signal decreases, and then C1 discharges through R1 until its voltage reaches the lower threshold point. When this happens, the output increases again and the cycle repeats itself. Using the parts values shown results in a frequency of 1 Hz. The output frequency can be adjusted by trimming the value of R1 slightly.

## WIDE-FREQUENCY TTL CLOCK



This free-running TTL square-wave oscillator has a variable frequency output over a 20:1 range or better through use of four of the six inverters in an SN7404 chip and the additional components shown. Frequency of oscillation is determined by the capacitor and the settings of potentiometers R2 and R4; the first pot controls width T1 and the second controls width T2 of the square-wave output. These adjustments are not completely independent.



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## Comparators

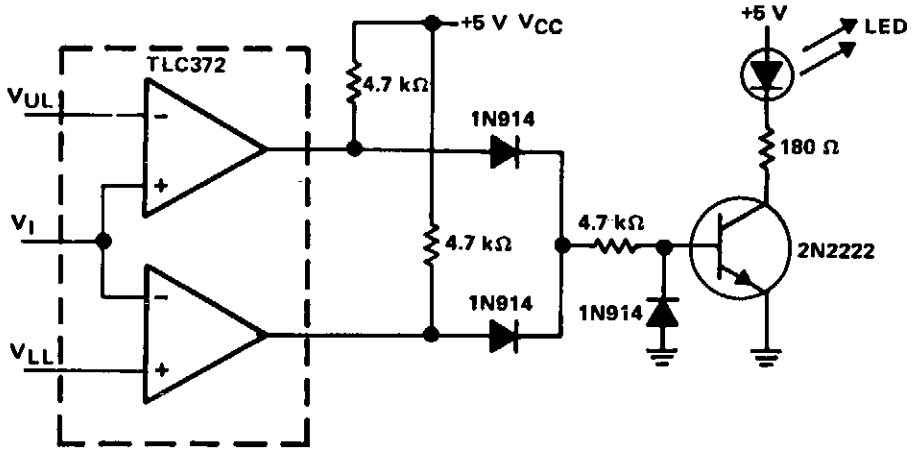
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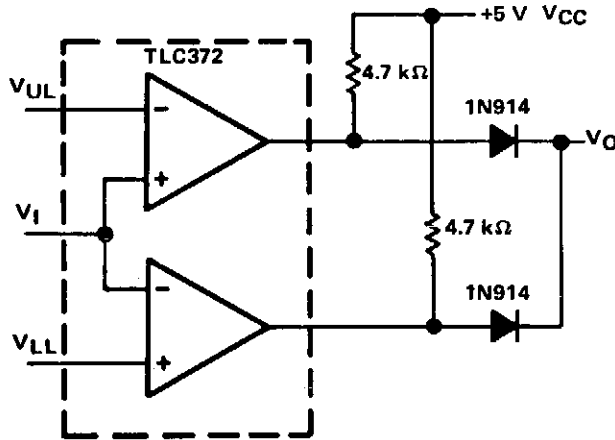
Window Comparator  
Microvolt Comparator with Hysteresis  
Comparator/Latch  
Frequency-Detecting Comparator  
Precision Comparator with Balanced Outputs  
and Variable Offset

Dual Limit Microvolt Comparator  
Window Comparator  
Four-Channel Comparator

## WINDOW COMPARATOR



Window Comparator with LED Indicator



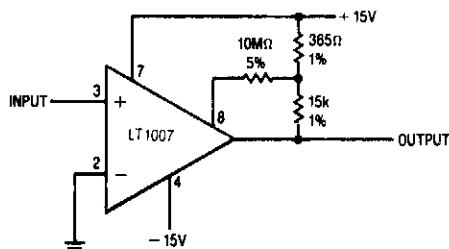
Basic Window Comparator

Fig. 16-1

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A window detector is a specialized comparator circuit designed to detect the presence of a voltage between two prescribed limits; that is, within a voltage *window*. This circuit is implemented by logically combining the outputs of two single-ended comparators by the 1N914 diodes. When the input voltage is between the upper limit,  $V_{UL}$ , and the lower limit,  $V_{LL}$ , the output voltage is zero; otherwise it equals a logic high level. The output of this circuit can be used to drive a logic gate, LED driver, or relay driver circuit. The circuit shown in Fig. 16-1 shows a 2N2222 npn transistor being driven by the window comparator. When the input voltage to the window comparator is outside the range set by the  $V_{UL}$  and  $V_{LL}$  inputs, the output changes to positive, which turns on the transistor and lights the LED indicator.

## MICROVOLT COMPARATOR WITH HYSTERESIS

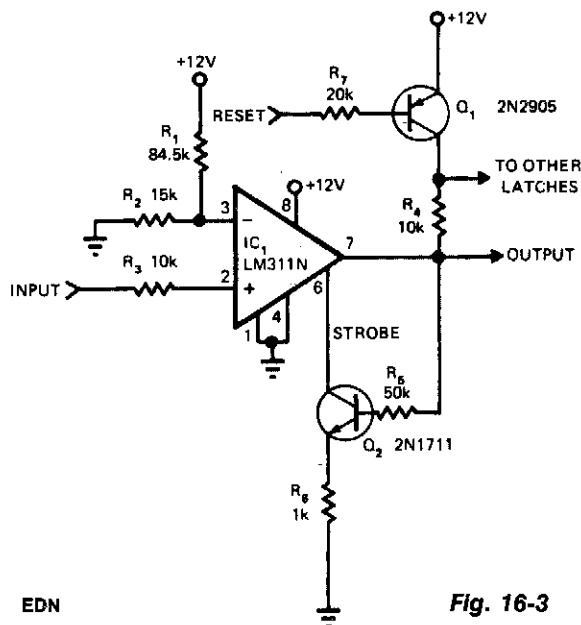


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Fig. 16-2

Positive feedback to one of the nulling terminals creates approximately  $5 \mu\text{V}$  of hysteresis. The output can sink 16 mA; the input offset voltage is typically changed less than  $5 \mu\text{V}$  because of the feedback.

## COMPARATOR/LATCH

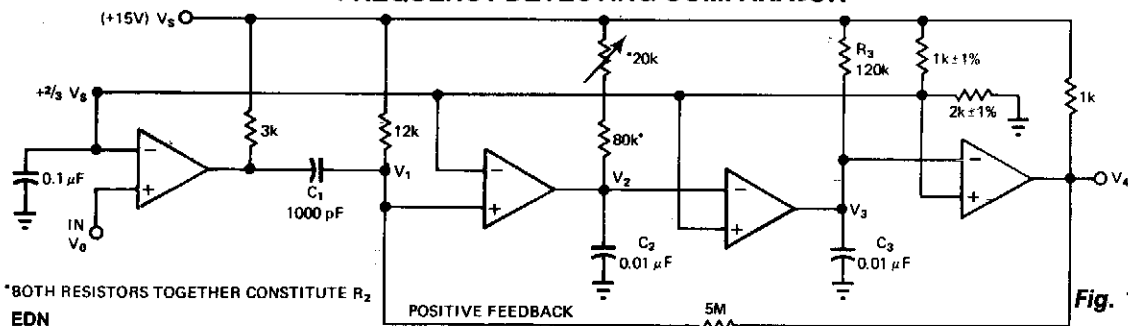


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Fig. 16-3

The primary advantage of this circuit, when compared to other comparators, is its ability to latch after the input has reached a predetermined threshold level. When the input exceeds the threshold level, the LM311N output increases. This transition enables the strobe input, preventing the output from falling low. A high-level voltage on the reset input will turn off Q1, thereby removing the supply voltage from the open collector output of the LM311N. With no supply to the strobe input, the latch condition is removed and the output is again allowed to follow the input excursions. The LM311N will operate with a wide variety of supply voltage levels, ranging from dual  $\pm 15\text{ V}$  to a single 5 V level that provides compatibility with digital IC logic. If more than one latch is used with a common reset, all the pull-up resistors may be connected to Q1's collector.

## FREQUENCY-DETECTING COMPARATOR



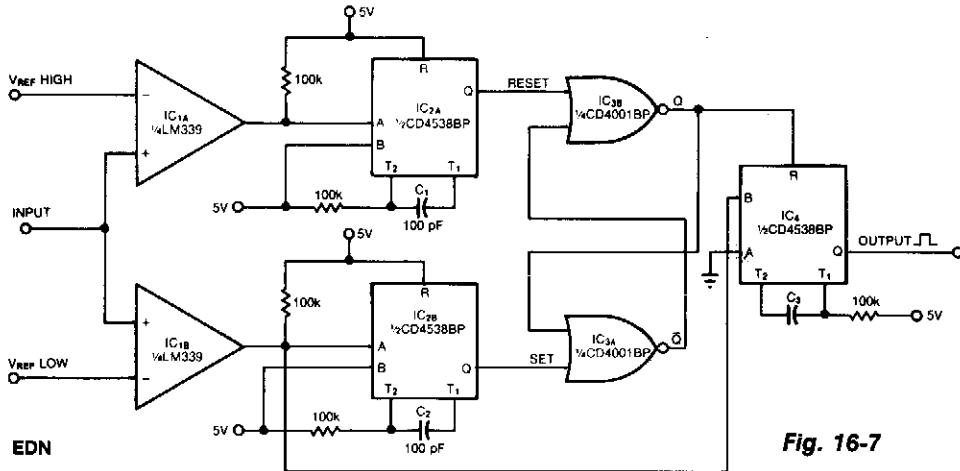
\*BOTH RESISTORS TOGETHER CONSTITUTE  $R_2$

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Fig. 16-4



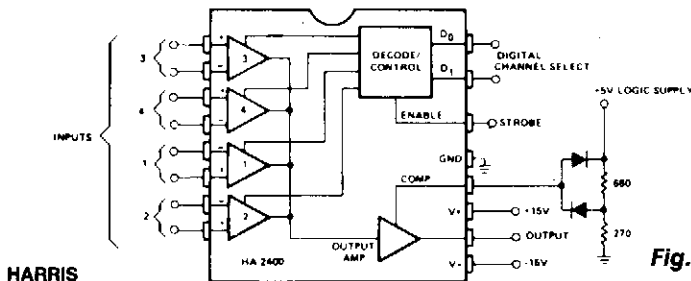
## WINDOW COMPARATOR



**Fig. 16-7**

This window comparator generates an output pulse for each event that occurs within a specified window. That is, each output pulse signifies an input voltage pulse or level change that exceeds  $V_{REFLOW}$ , but not  $V_{REFHIGH}$ . The monostable multivibrators, IC2A and IC2B, produce a 10- $\mu$ s pulse at their Q output in response to a rising edge at their A input. Comparator IC1B produces a rising edge when the input exceeds  $V_{REFLOW}$ , and comparator IC2A produces a rising edge when the input exceeds  $V_{REFHIGH}$ . The NOR gates, IC3A and IC3B, form a bistable latch whose Q output, when low, disables IC4. IC4, unless disabled, produces output pulses in response to falling edges at the IC1B comparator output. You set the width of these pulses by selecting the value of C3. The circuit can handle an input waveform containing 0 to 2 V amplitudes and 10-Hz to 10-kHz frequency components.

## FOUR-CHANNEL COMPARATOR



**Fig. 16-8**

When operated as an open loop without compensation, the HA-2400 becomes a comparator with four selectable input channels. The clamping network at the compensation pin limits the output voltage to allow DTL or TTL digital circuits to be driven with a fanout of up to ten loads.

The circuit can be used to compare several signals against each other or against fixed references; or a single signal can be compared against several references. A window comparator, which assures that a signal is within a voltage range, can be formed by monitoring the output polarity, while rapidly switching between two channels with different reference inputs and the same signal input.

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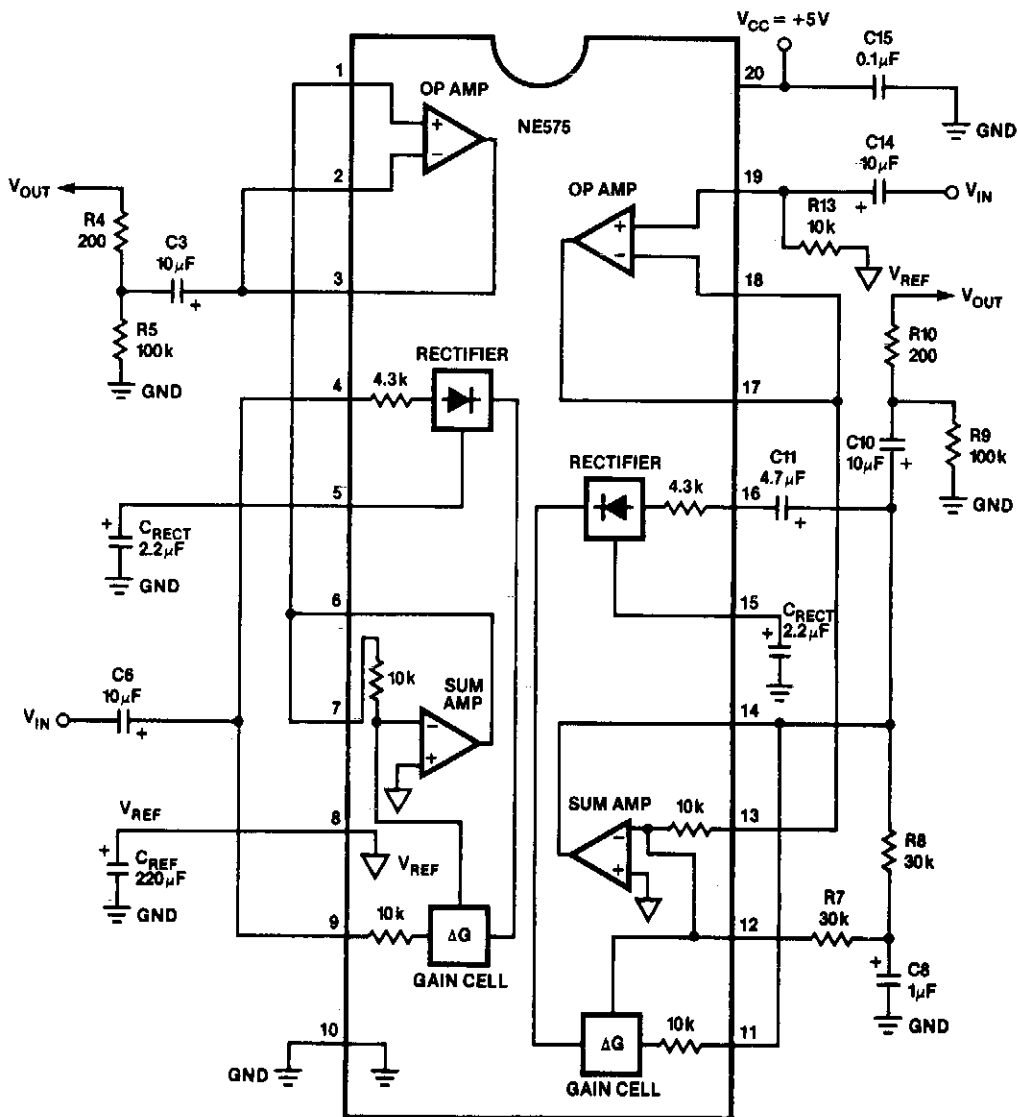
## Compressor/Expander Circuits

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Low-Voltage Compander  
Hi-Fi Compressor with Pre-Emphasis  
Variable Slope Compressor/Expander  
Hi-Fi Expander with De-Emphasis

## LOW-VOLTAGE COMPANDER



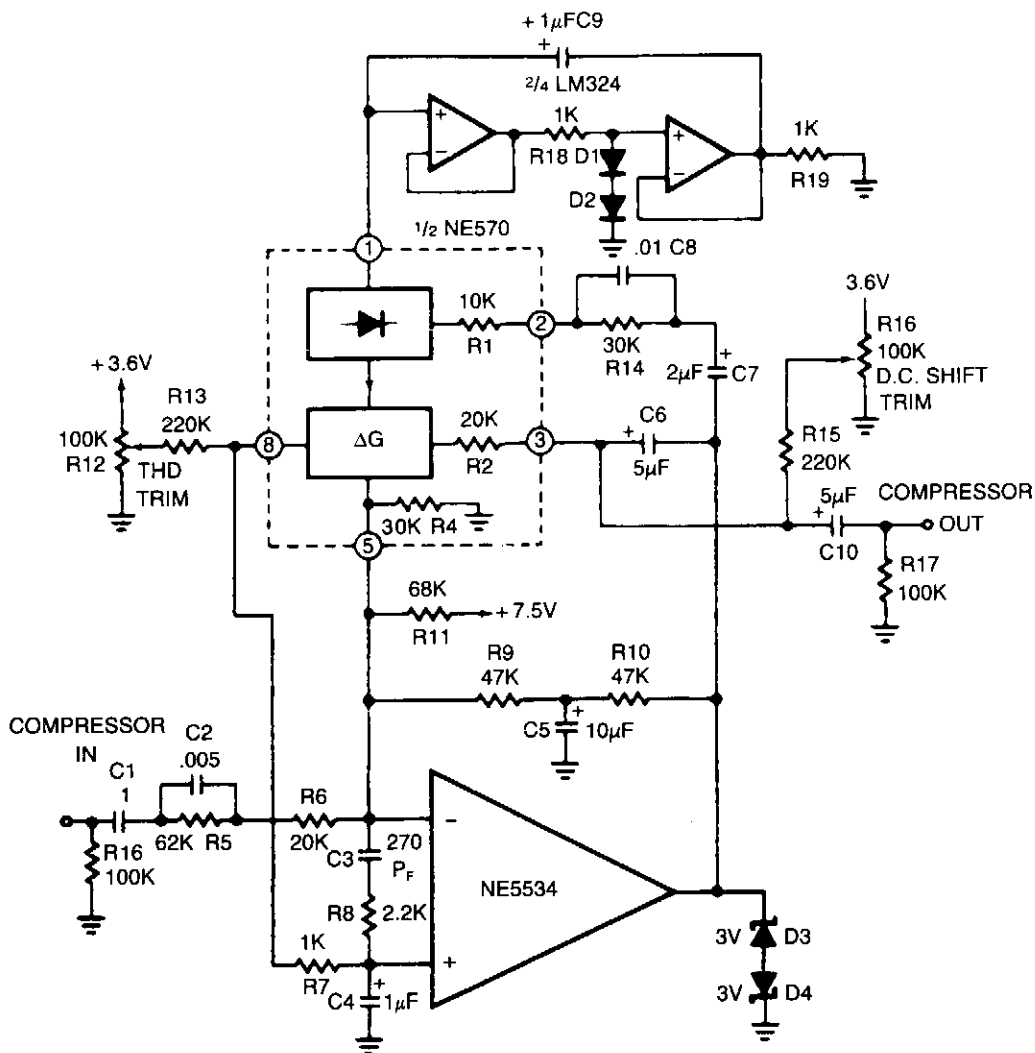
**NOTE:**  
 Left channel in expander mode; right channel in compressor mode.  
 For additional information, call the factory.

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**Fig. 17-1**

The NE575 is a dual-gain control circuit designed for low voltage applications. The NE575's channel 1 is an expander, while channel 2 can be configured either for expander, compressor, or automatic level controller (ALC) applications.

## HI-FI COMPRESSOR WITH PRE-EMPHASIS



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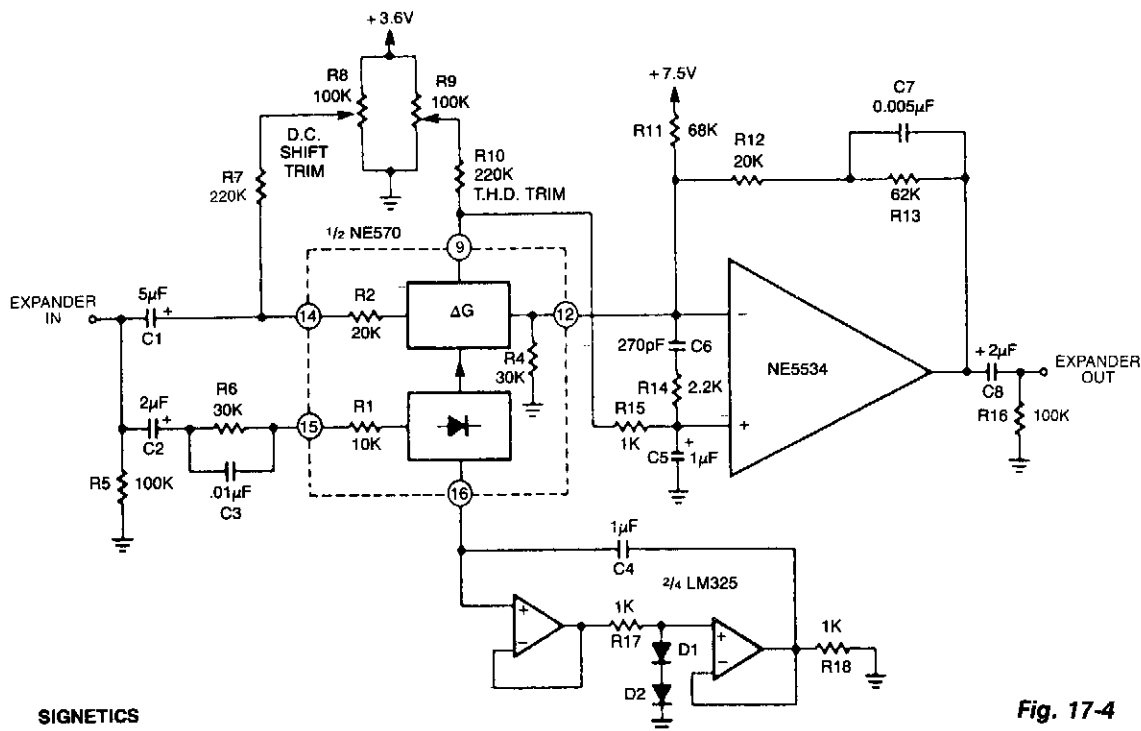
Fig. 17-2

The compressor contains a high-frequency, pre-emphasis circuit (C2, R5, and C8, R14), which helps solve this problem. Matching de-emphasis on the expander is required. More complex designs could make the pre-emphasis variable.





## HI-FI EXPANDER WITH DE-EMPHASIS



The expander to complement the compressor is shown. An external op amp is used for high slew rate. Both the compressor and expander have unity gain levels of 0 dB. Trim networks are shown for distortion (THD) and dc shift. The distortion trim should be done first, with an input of 0 dB at 10 kHz. The dc shift should be adjusted for minimum envelope bounce with tone bursts. When applied to consumer tape recorders, the subjective performance of this system is excellent.

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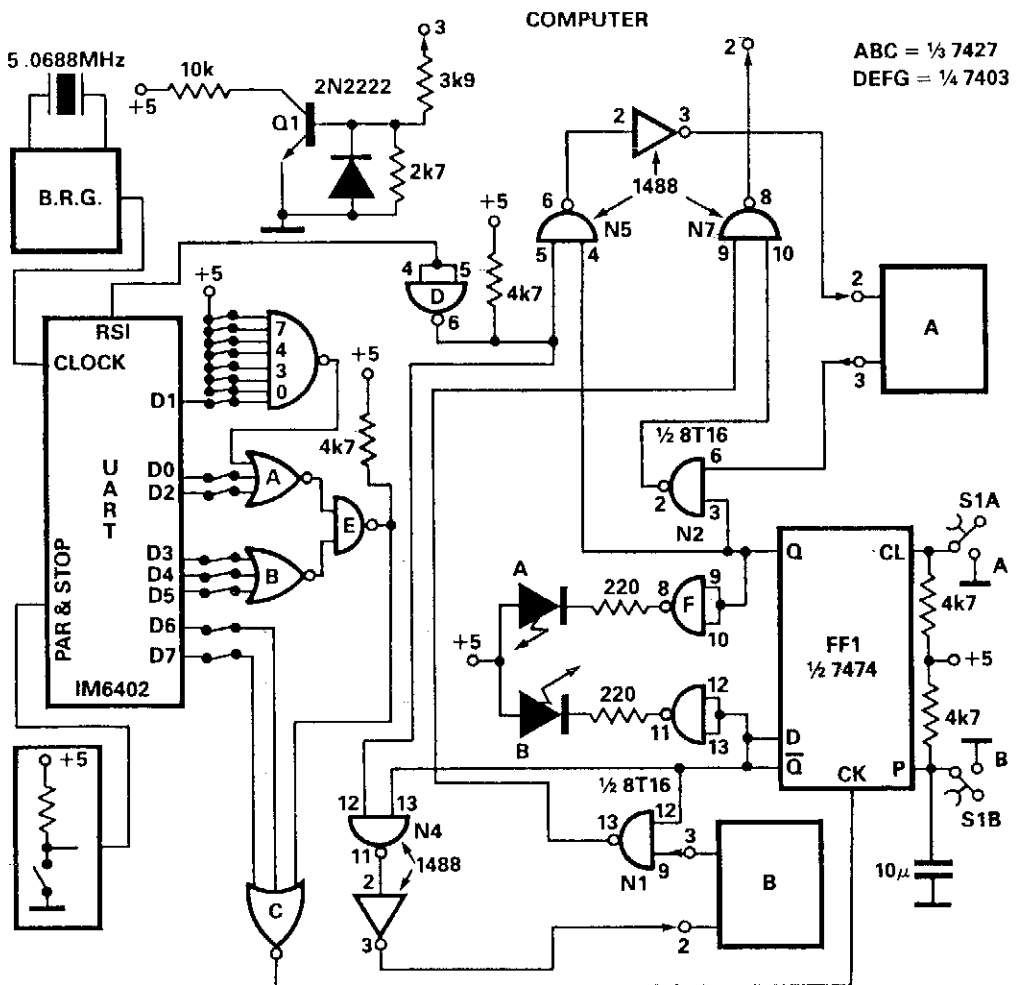
## Computer Circuits

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| Interface to 680X, 650X, and 8080 Families         | Spare Flip-Flop Inverter           |
| RGB Blue Box                                       | Coprocessor Socket Debugger        |
| 5V-Powered EEPROM Pulse Generator                  | 20-MHz-to-NuBus Clock Phase Lock   |
| One-of-Eight Channel Transmission System           | XOR Gate Up/Down Converter         |
| Microprocessor-Controlled Analog Signal Attenuator | Eight-Digit Microprocessor Display |
| Multiple Input Detector                            | Logic Line Monitor                 |
| RS-232-to-CMOS Line Receiver                       | Long Delay Line for Logic Signals  |

## AUTOMATIC RS-232 DATASELECTOR



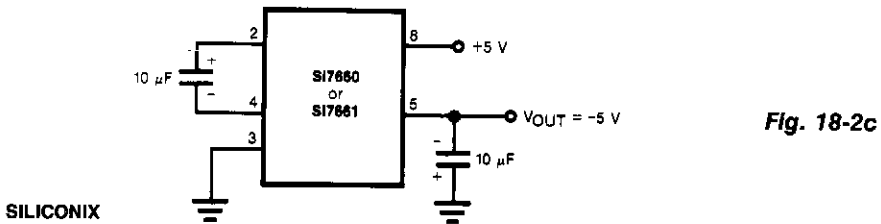
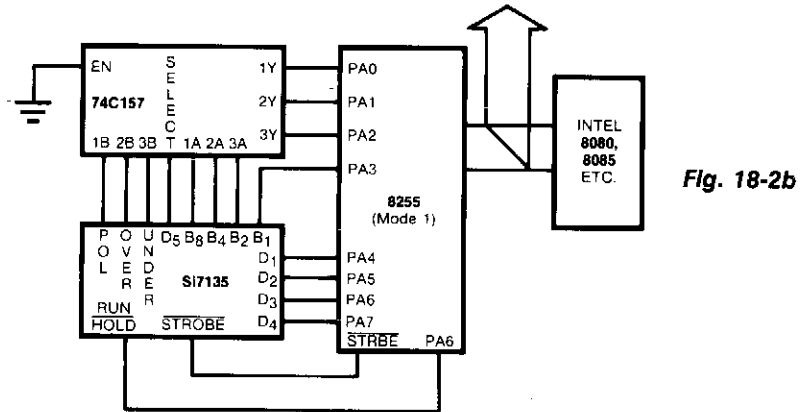
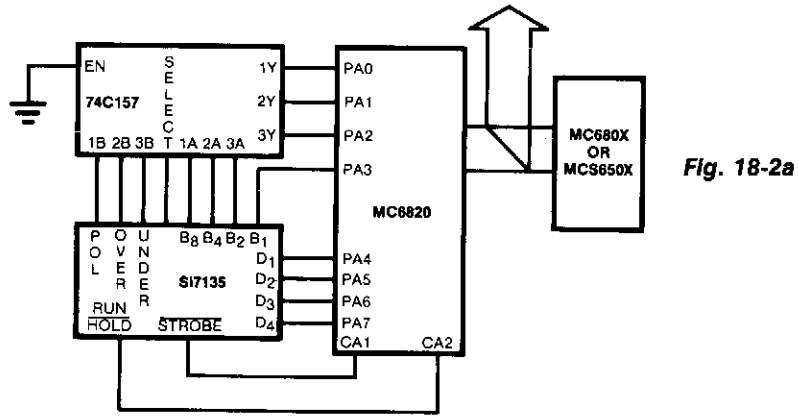
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Fig. 18-1

With this datas selector, only one RS-232 port is used to connect two RS-232 devices (i.e., printer, plotter, etc.) with a mini- or microcomputer. The operation is very simple. Power on will reset FF1 ( $Q_{FF1} = \text{Low}$ ), which enables gates N1, N5, and N7. Now communication between computer and device B is possible. Detection of the switch command, i.e., Control B character = CHR\$(2), selectable with wire-wrap pins, on the parallel outputs of the UART (IM 6402 or equivalent) will set:  $Q_{FF1} = \text{High}$ . Gates N2, N5, and N7 are open, so device A is connected with the computer until Control B character is detected again.

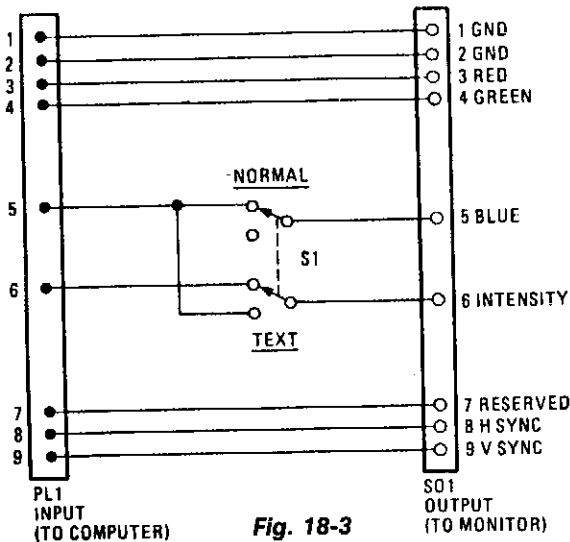
Transistor Q1 converts RS-232 levels to TTL levels while two LEDs indicate whether device A or B is linked. The baud-rate generator provides the  $16 \times$  clock needed for the UART. Any baud rate ranging from 50 to 19200 can be selected. Manual control of the selector is available with toggleswitch S1.

## INTERFACE TO 680X, 650X, AND 8080 FAMILIES



Circuits to interface the Si7135 directly with two popular microprocessors are shown in Figs. 18-2a and b. The 8080/8048 and the MC6800 families with 8-bit words need to have polarity, overrange, and underrange multiplexed onto the digit 5 word. In each case, the microprocessor can instruct the ADC when to begin a measurement and when to hold this measurement. The Si7135 is designed to work from  $\pm 5$  V supplies. However, if a negative supply is not available, it can be generated using 2 capacitors, and an inexpensive Si7660 or Si7661 IC, as shown in Fig. 18-2c.

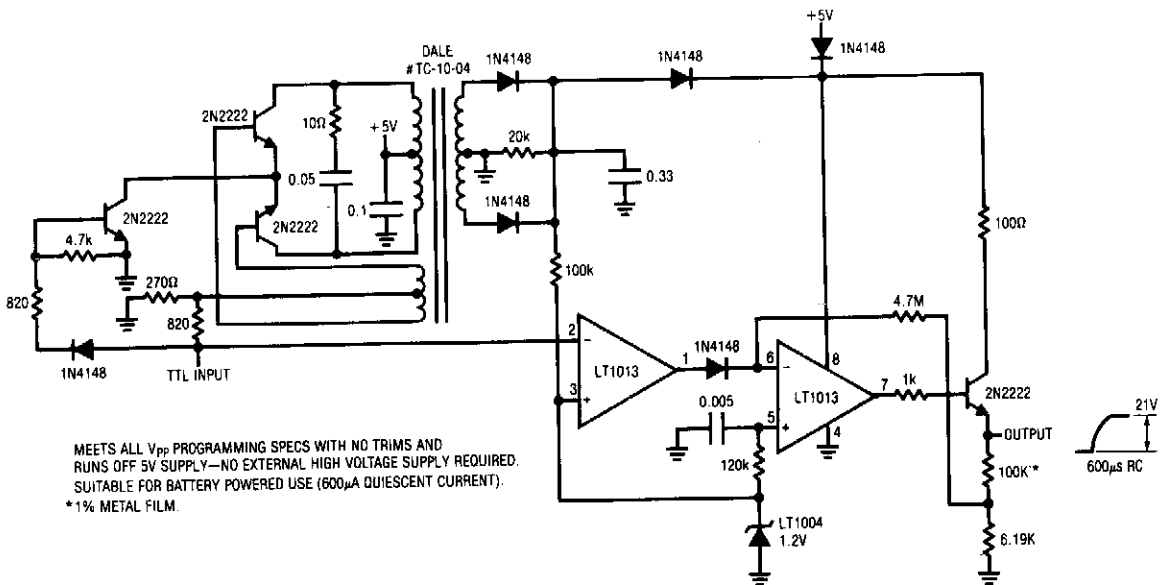
## RGB BLUE BOX



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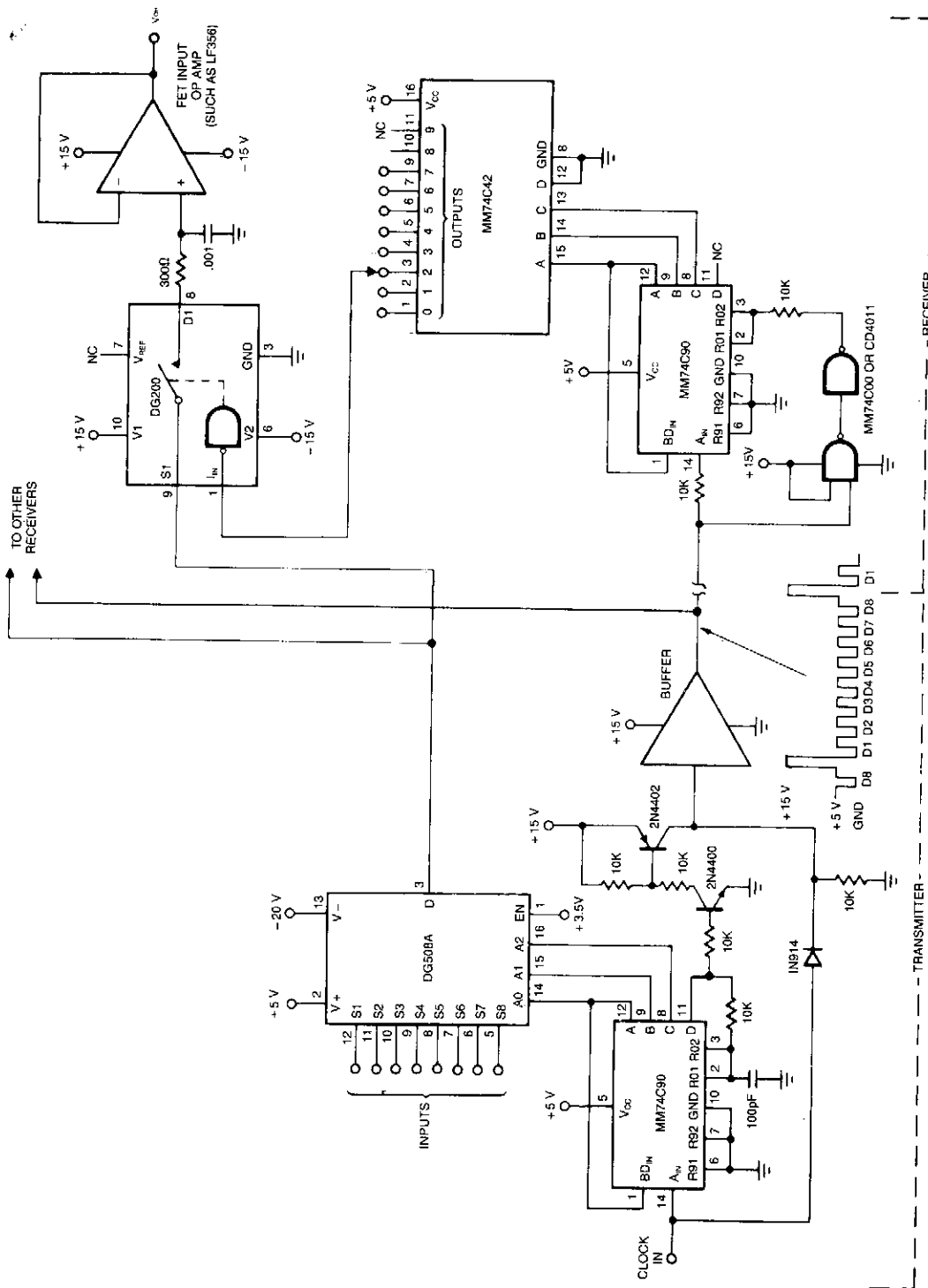
The RGB blue box turns your PC's RGB-monitor screen blue at the flip of a switch. That is, it makes your computer display bright white text on a blue background, instead of the usual low-intensity white on black. The RGB blue box connects between your IBM PC color graphics adapter, or equivalent, and your RGB color monitor. By flipping a switch, you choose between two modes. One mode passes the signal from the PC to the monitor unaltered; the other transforms it to make text more readable. The monitor has four TTL-level inputs—red, green, blue, and intensity—and it interprets disconnected wires as on. That's why the screen turns white if you disconnect the monitor from the computer, and blue if you disconnect only the blue line. Instead of just discarding the blue signal, the blue box reroutes it to the intensity input. As a result, most of the text colors come out intensified.

## 5V-POWERED EEPROM PULSE GENERATOR



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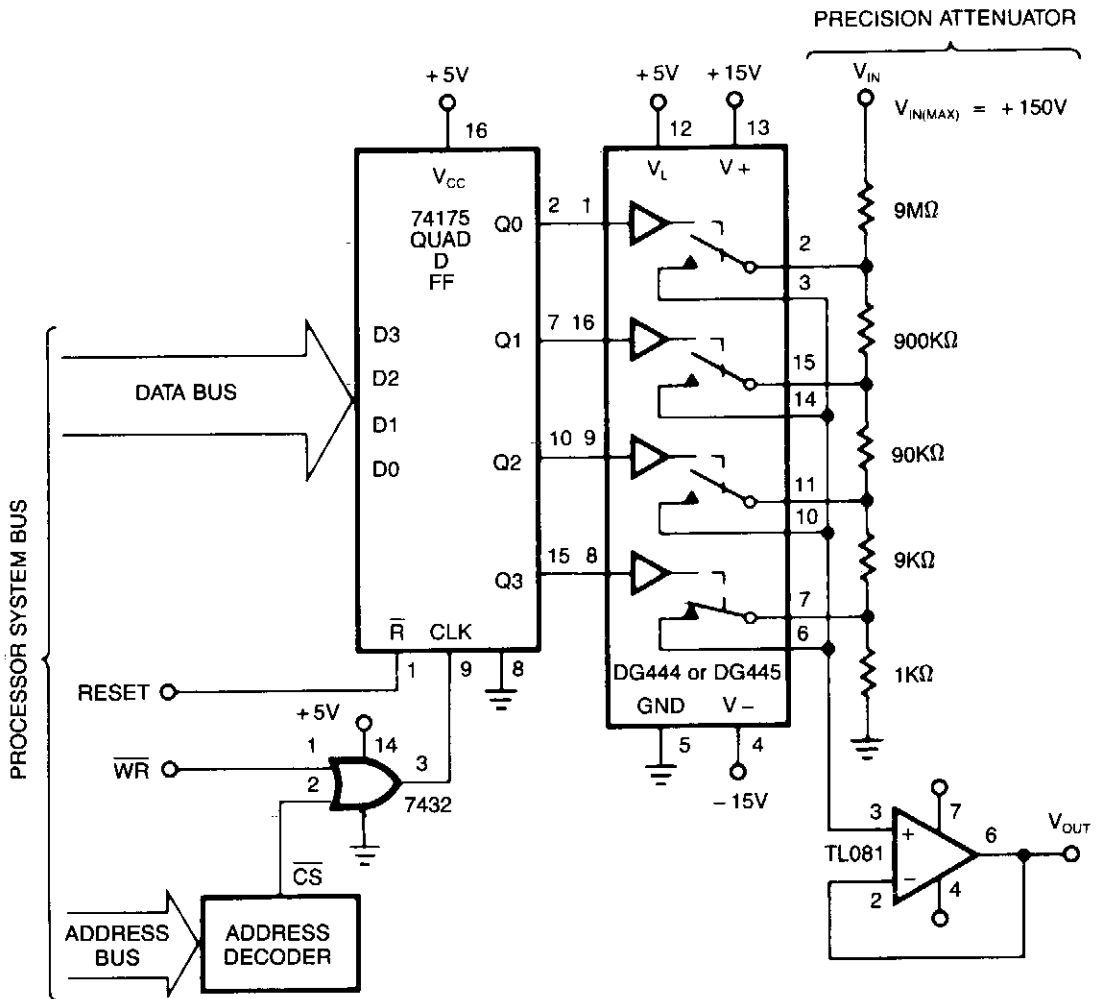
# ONE-OF-EIGHT CHANNEL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM



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Fig. 18-5

# MICROPROCESSOR-CONTROLLED ANALOG SIGNAL ATTENUATOR

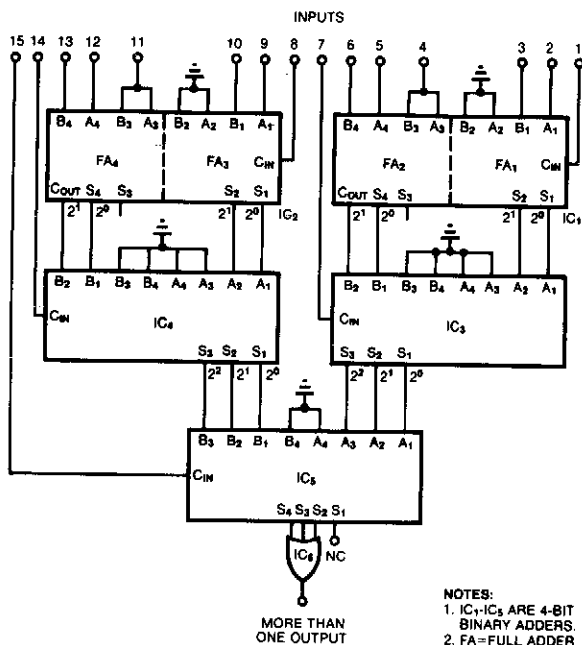


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Fig. 18-6



## MULTIPLE INPUT DETECTOR



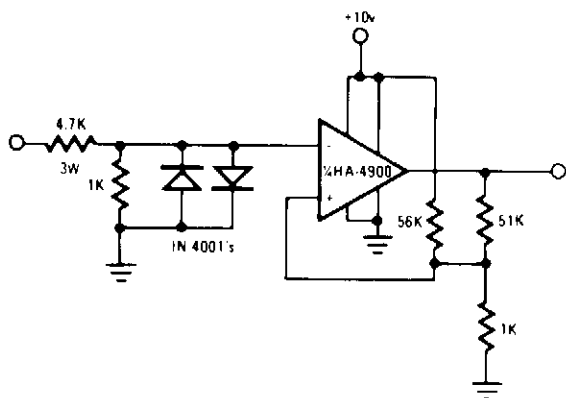
This circuit determines whether more than one input in a group of digital inputs is active. It provides a digital measure of the number of active inputs, and it allows you to establish a threshold for majority-decision applications. That is, whether the number of active inputs is more than, less than, or equal to a value between 1 and 15. You can monitor more inputs by cascading the adders.

Each binary adder, IC1 and IC2, forms two full adders (FAs). Each FA monitors three input lines and generates a 2-bit output representing the number of inputs active. IC3 and IC4, by summing the outputs of two FAs plus an input line, individually measure how many in a group of seven inputs are active. Similarly, by monitoring the 3-bit outputs of IC3 and IC4 plus one input, IC5 measures how many in the group of 15 are active. The OR gate, IC6, simply indicates whether more than one input is active.

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Fig. 18-7

## RS-232-TO-CMOS LINE RECEIVER



This RS-232 type line receiver to drive CMOS logic uses a Schmitt-trigger feedback network to give about 1-V input hysteresis for added noise immunity. A possible problem in an interface which connects two pieces of equipment, each plugged into a different ac receptacle, is that the power line voltage might appear at the receiver input when the interface connection is made or broken. The two diodes and a 3-W input resistor will protect the inputs under these conditions.

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Fig. 18-8

## RS-232C LED CIRCUIT

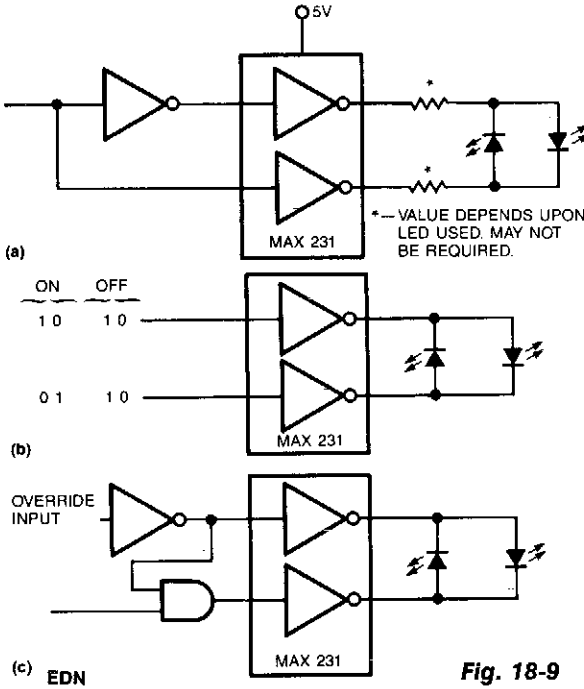


Fig. 18-9

Use a pair of Maxim's 5V-powered MAX231 RS-232C transmitters as drivers to obtain a 2-color LED. The transmitters require only a single-ended, 5-V input to generate  $\pm 10$  V internally. Their outputs are short-circuit-proof and can supply as much as 10 mA—enough to drive most LEDs. Depending on which LED you select, their current-limiting feature might also eliminate the need for external series resistors. Using the simple circuits, you can implement a variety of functions.

## SPARE FLIP-FLOP INVERTER

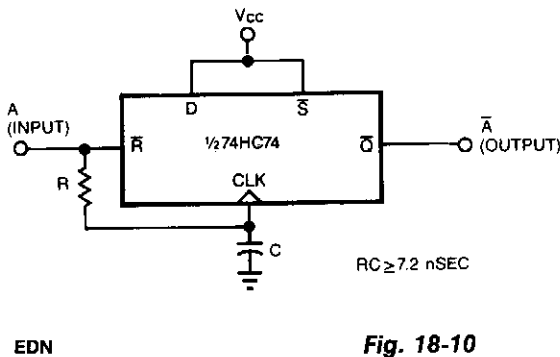


Fig. 18-10

The circuit uses one-half of a dual D flip-flop as an inverter. When the input decreases, the flip-flop resets, and its  $Q$  output increases. When the input increases, the reset line is released and  $Q$  gets clocked low. The  $rc$  delay between applying the input signal to the flip-flop's reset input and its clock input enables clocking the flip-flop on the input's positive edge. A 74HC74 dual D flip-flop, for example, requires a minimum recovery time of 5 ns after releasing the reset input before strobing its clock input. Therefore, spec'ing  $rc$  at greater than 7.5 ns provides adequate margin. The slight slowing of the clock edge presents no problem, because the clock input's maximum allowable rise time is a much longer 500 ns. To prevent skewing of the output's symmetry, limit the maximum input frequency to less than 10 MHz.



## 20-MHz-TO-NUBUS CLOCK PHASE LOCK

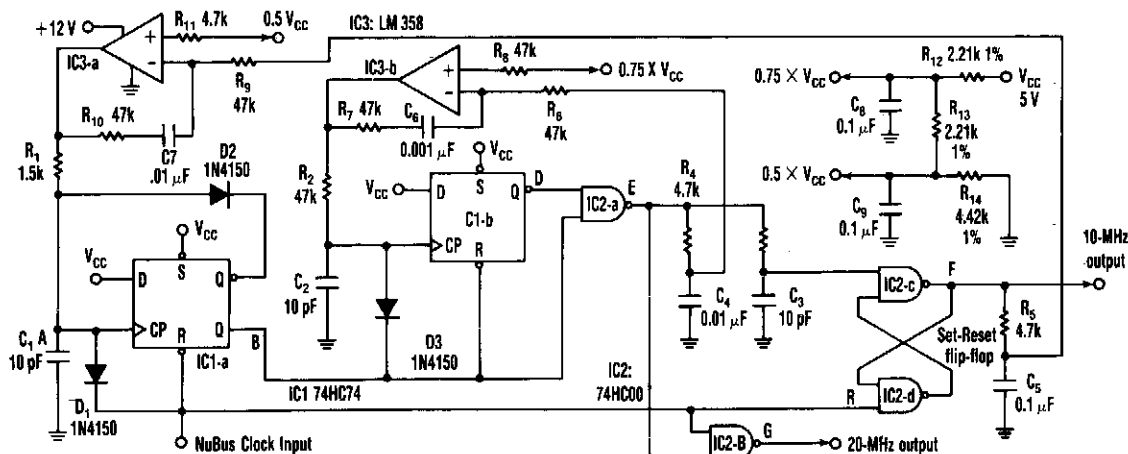
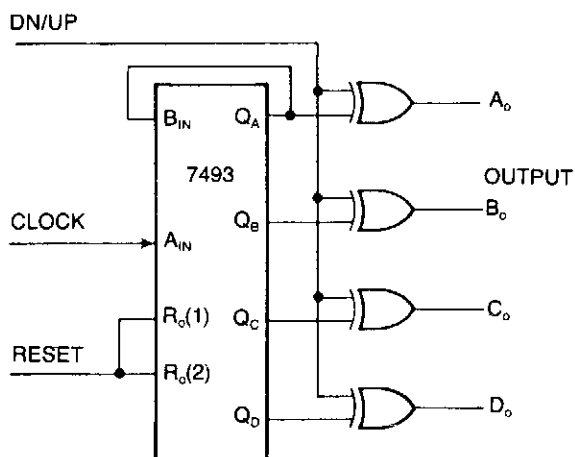


Fig. 18-12

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The 20-MHz clock phase-locks to Apple's Mac II 10-MHz NuBus clock. It uses a simple, inexpensive CMOS circuitry to generate 10- and 20-MHz square waves. The output duty cycle settings are insensitive to  $V_{CC}$  variations. The input to the circuit is a NuBus clock signal with specifications that call for a 75 percent duty cycle at 10 MHz—a square wave that's high for 75 ns and low for the remaining 25 ns. To generate the 20-MHz signal, the circuit produces a 25-ns negative-going pulse, delayed 50 ns from the falling edge of the 10-MHz NuBus clock input at point E. NORing that pulse with the NuBus clock produces the 20-MHz clock at point G. Finally, applying the 25-ns pulse to the set input of a set-reset input, results in a 10-MHz square wave at F.

## XOR GATE UP/DOWN COUNTER



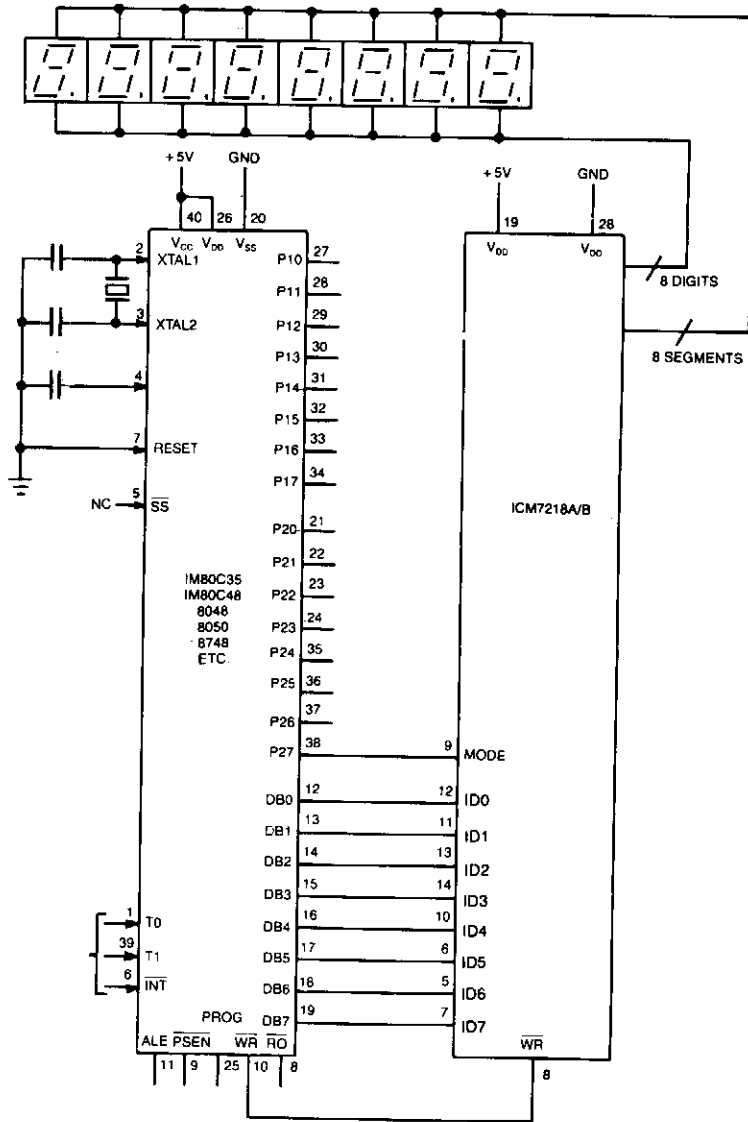
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Fig. 18-13

One can transform an ordinary binary counter, such as a 7493, into an up/down counter with mode control by adding XOR gates 7486 to the counter's outputs. The circuit counts up when the DN/UP line is low and down when the DN/UP line is high.

To use the 7493 counter to count out its maximum count length of 0–15, connect the  $Q_A$  output to the  $B_{IN}$  input and apply clock pulses to the  $A_{IN}$  input. The reset input, when high, inhibits the count inputs and simultaneously returns the outputs  $A_o$  through  $D_o$  to low in the up-count mode or 15 in the down-count mode. For normal counting, the reset input must be low. One can easily cascade this counter by feeding the  $Q_D$  line to the clock input of a succeeding counter.

## EIGHT-DIGIT MICROPROCESSOR DISPLAY

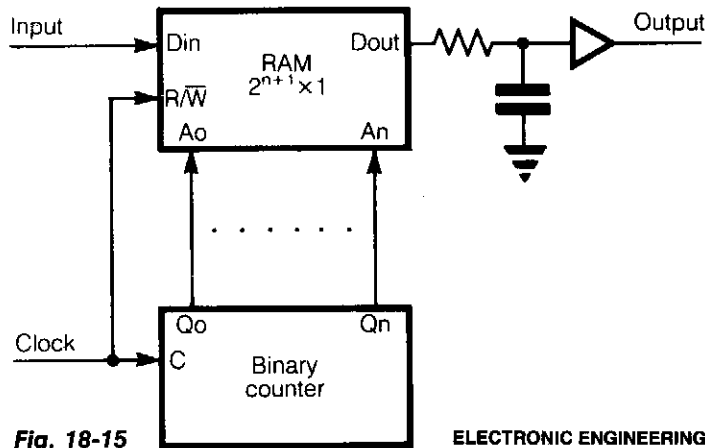


**Fig. 18-14**

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Display interface uses the ICM7218A/B with an 8048 family microcontroller. The 8-bit data bus (DB0/DB7 – ID0/ID7) transfers control and data information to the 7218 display interface on successive WRITE pulses. The mode input pins on the microcontroller. When mode is high, a control word is transferred; when mode is low, data is transferred. Sequential locations in the 8-byte static memory are automatically loaded on each successive WRITE pulse. After eight WRITE pulses have occurred, further pulses are ignored until a new control word is transferred.

## LONG DELAY LINE FOR LOGIC SIGNALS



**Fig. 18-15**

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An extremely long delay of logic signal can be accomplished with this circuit. The logic signals to be delayed are applied to the  $D_{IN}$  of RAM. Address lines  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n$  are connected to outputs  $Q_0, Q_1, \dots, Q_n$  of a binary counter. Clock input of counter and  $R/\bar{W}$  input of RAM are joined together. However, it is sometimes necessary to put an inverter between those inputs, depending on the RAM and counter employed in line. In the first half of clock interval, content on outputs of counter is increased for 1 and content of chosen memory cell is read; in the second half of the clock interval, new content from  $D_{IN}$  in the same memory cell is written. When full cycles of counting reaches the same memory cell, again we can read, in the first half of the clock interval of the following counting cycles, the chosen content. Delay time is:

$$T_d = 2^{n+1} \cdot t_{cl}$$

If clock frequency is not a multiple of input signal frequency, distortion of input signal is proportioned to the clock period. But if the clock frequency is a multiple of input signal frequency, there is no distortion. If we use RAM organized according to  $2^{n+1} \times 4$  with separated data inputs and data outputs, we can have four parallel long delay lines. The resistor, capacitor, and buffer on  $D_{OUT}$  of RAM are used to save output signal in writing time, when output of RAM becomes high impedance.

## LOGIC LINE MONITOR

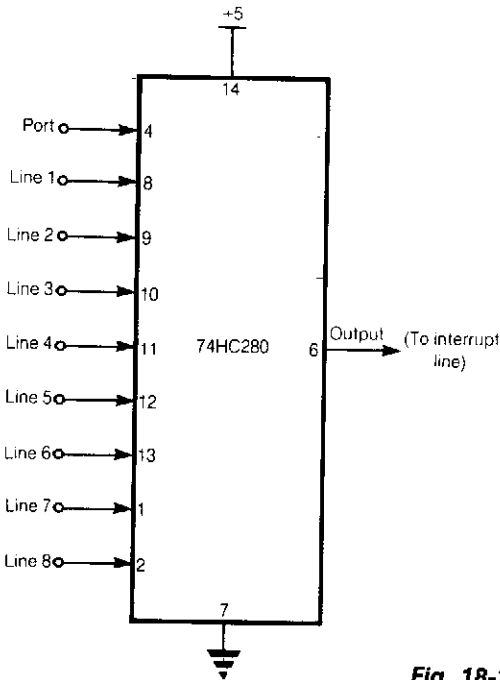


Fig. 18-16

This circuit requires only one CMOS IC, which is available in a 14-pin surface-mount package. The figure shows the logic lines going to a standard 9-bit parity comparator chip. This device is conventionally used in data transmission and recording applications to provide a means of error-detection by comparing the received eight- or nine-bit words with their corresponding parity bits. If the sum of the one's in a received word is odd but the odd-parity bit is low, then that word is known to be in error and requires retransmission.

When one of the logic lines decreases, the output of the parity comparator decreases, generating a *wake-up* interrupt to the microprocessor. The ninth line comes from a port on the microprocessor and is toggled to reset the output signal high again, ready for the next logic change.

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## Converters

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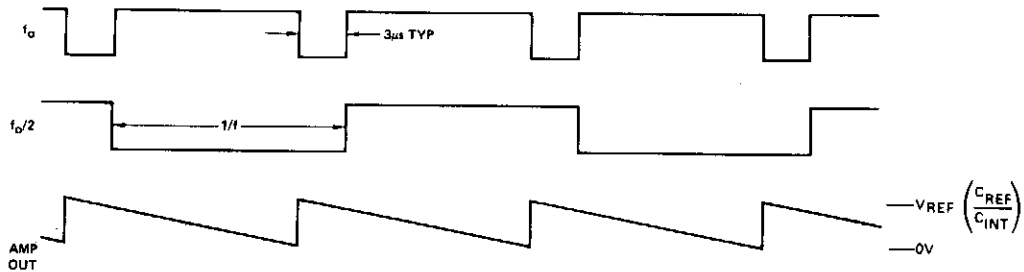
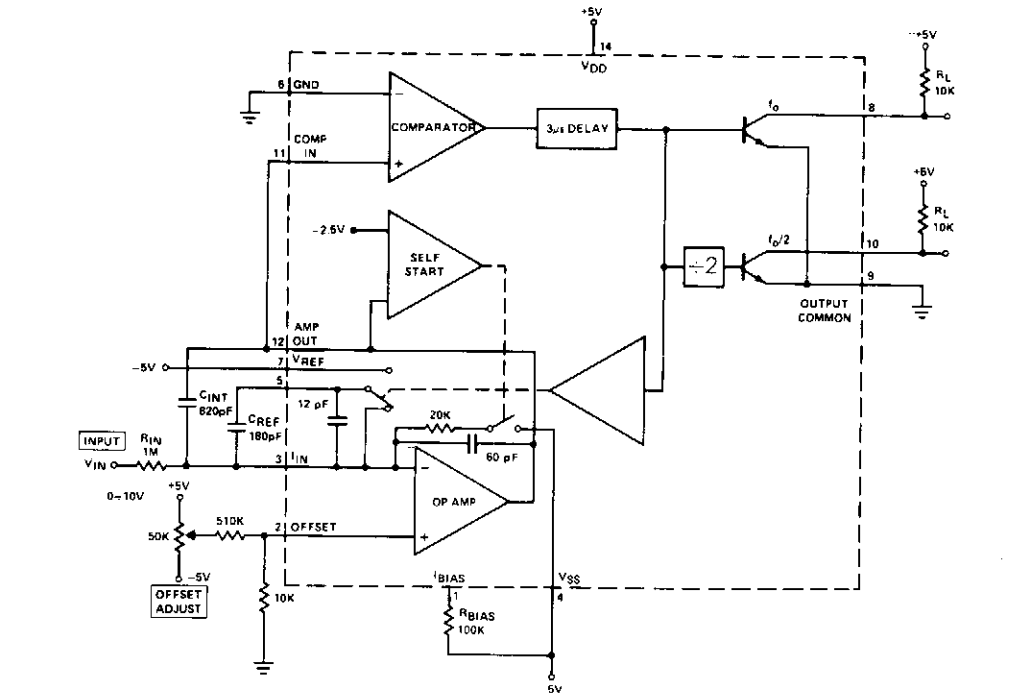
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10 Hz-to-10 kHz V/F Converter  
Low-Frequency Converter  
Positive-to-Negative Converter  
Buck/Boost Converter  
4 – 18 MHz Converter  
Shortwave Converter  
Isolated +15 V Dc-Dc Converter  
Voltage Ratio-to-Frequency Converter  
50-MHz Thermal Rms-to-Dc Converter

Pulse Width-to-Voltage Converter  
Step Up/Down Dc-Dc Converter  
Square-to-Sine Wave Converter  
Pulse Height-to-Width Converter  
PIN Photodiode-to-Frequency Converter  
Zero  $I_B$  Error V/I Converter  
Regulated Dc-Dc Converter  
Pulse Train-to-Sinusoid Converter



# 10 Hz-TO-10kHz V/F CONVERTER



- Notes:**
1. To adjust  $f_{min}$ , set  $V_{IN} = 10$  mV and adjust the 50 k offset for 10 Hz out.
  2. To adjust  $f_{max}$ , set  $V_{IN} = 10$  V and adjust  $R_{IN}$  or  $V_{REF}$  for 10 kHz out.
  3. To increase  $f_{out MAX}$  to 100 kHz change  $C_{REF}$  to 27 pF and  $C_{INT}$  to 75 pF.
  4. For high performance applications use high stability components for  $R_{IN}$ ,  $C_{REF}$ ,  $V_{REF}$  (metal film resistors and glass film capacitors). Also separate the output ground (Pin 9) from the input ground (Pin 6).

Fig. 19-1

# LOW-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

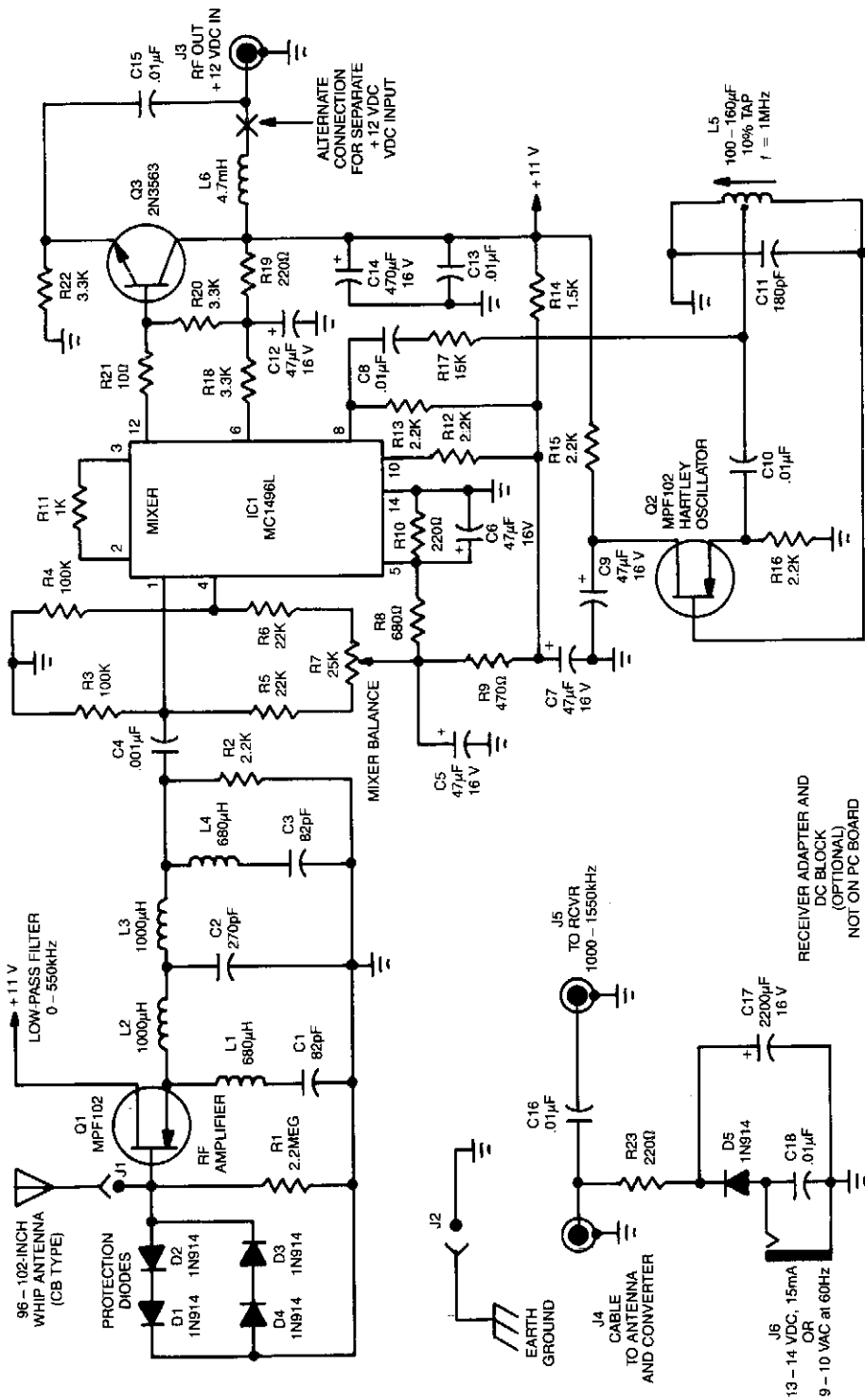


Fig. 19-2

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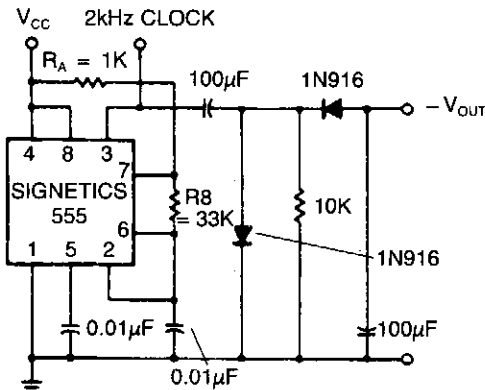
## LOW-FREQUENCY CONVERTER (Cont.)

Among the signals below 550 kHz are maritime mobile, distress, radio beacons, aircraft weather, European Longwave-AM broadcast, and point-to-point communications. The low-frequency converter converts the 10 to 500 kHz LW range to a 1010 to 1550 kHz MW range, by adding 1000 kHz to all received signals. Radio calibration is unnecessary because signals are received at the AM-radio's dial setting, plus 1 MHz; a 100-kHz signal is received at 1100 kHz, a 335-kHz signal at 1335 kHz, etc. The low-frequency signals are fed to IC1, a doubly-balanced mixer.

Transistor Q2 and associated circuitry form a Hartley 1000-kHz local oscillator, which is coupled from Q2's drain, through C8, to IC1 pin 8. Signals in the 10 – 550 kHz range are converted to 1010 – 1550 kHz. The mixer heterodynes the incoming low-frequency signal and local-oscillator signal. Transistor Q3 reduces IC1's high-output impedance to about 100  $\Omega$  to match most receiver inputs. Capacitor C15 couples the 1010 – 1550 kHz frequencies from Q3's emitter to output jack J3, while blocking any dc bias.

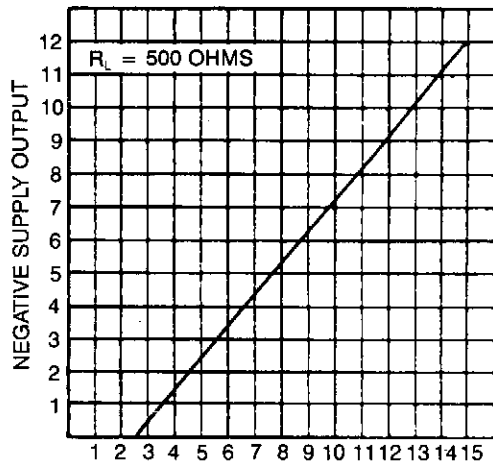
Inductor L6 couples the dc voltage that's carried in the rf signal cable from the rcvr/dc adaptor. The dc voltage and rf signals don't interfere with one another; that saves running a separate power-supply wire, which simplifies installation at a remote location. Capacitors C14 and C13 provide dc supply filtering. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

## POSITIVE-TO-NEGATIVE CONVERTER



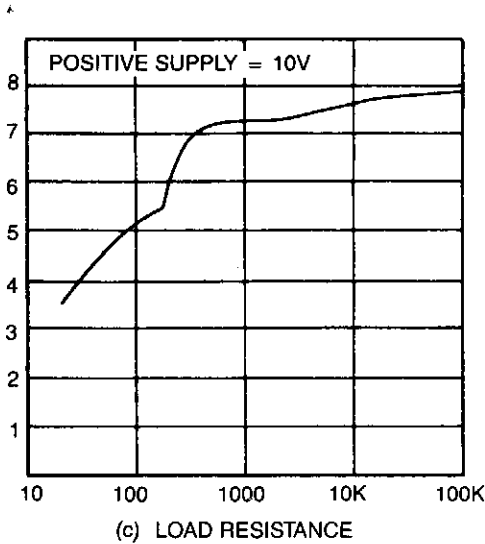
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All resistor values are in ohms

(a) POSITIVE-TO-NEGATIVE CONVERTER



(b) POSITIVE SUPPLY

## POSITIVE-TO-NEGATIVE CONVERTER (Cont.)

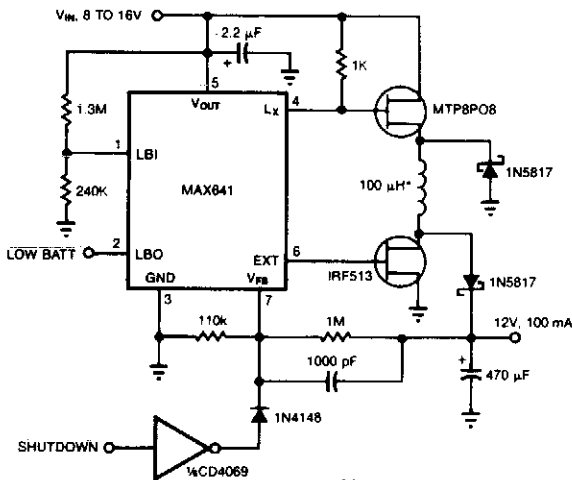


The transformerless dc-dc converter derives a negative supply voltage from a positive. As a bonus, the circuit also generates a clock signal. The negative output voltage tracks the dc-input voltage linearity (a), but its magnitude is about 3 V lower. Application of a 500- $\Omega$  load, (b), causes 10% change from the no-load value.

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Fig. 19-3

## BUCK/BOOST CONVERTER



This converter can accommodate wide input-voltage swings, such as the 8 to 15-V swing typical of a 12-V sealed lead/acid battery. The low battery output indicates when input voltage drops below 8 V. Pulling shutdown turns off the circuit.

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Fig. 19-4

### 4 - 18 MHz CONVERTER

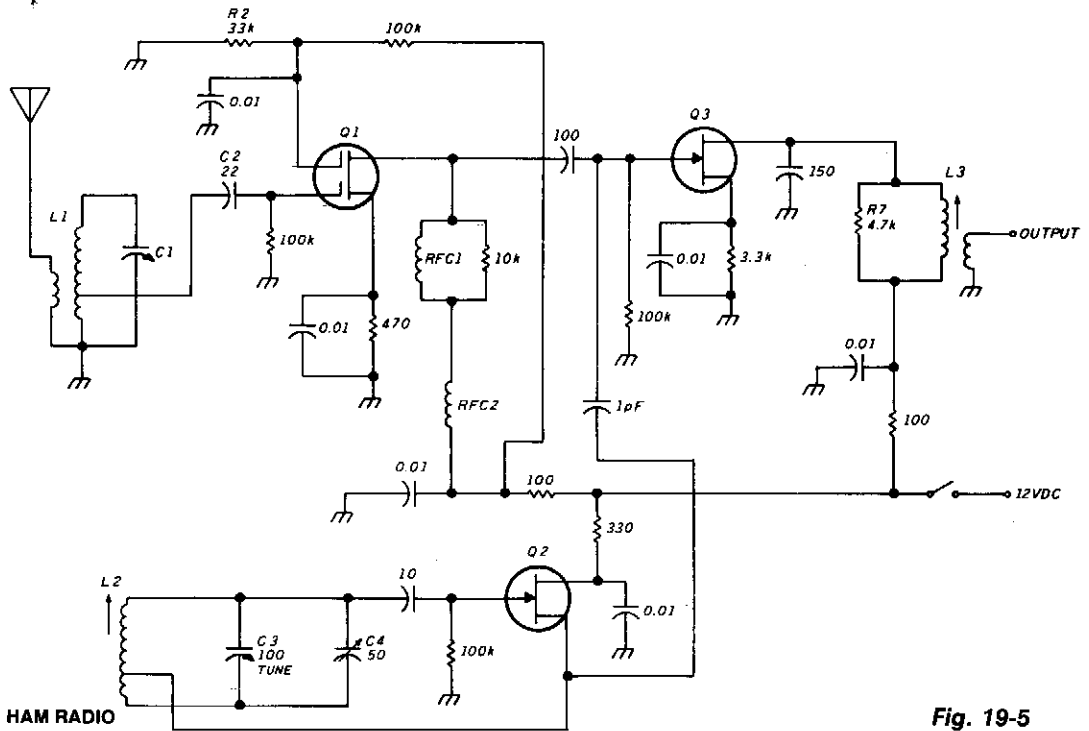


Fig. 19-5

The unit consists of rf-amplifier Q1, local oscillator Q2, and mixer Q3. The two bands are covered without a bandswitch by using an i-f or 3.5 MHz. The oscillator range is 7.5 to 14.5 MHz. Incoming signals from 4 to 11 MHz are mixed with the oscillator to produce the 3.5-MHz i-f. Signals from 11 to 18 MHz are mixed with the oscillator to also produce an i-f of 3.5 MHz. At any one oscillator frequency, the two incoming signals are 7 MHz apart. Rf amplifier input C1/L1 comprises a high-Q, lightly loaded, tuned circuit; this is essential for good band separation.

### SHORTWAVE CONVERTER

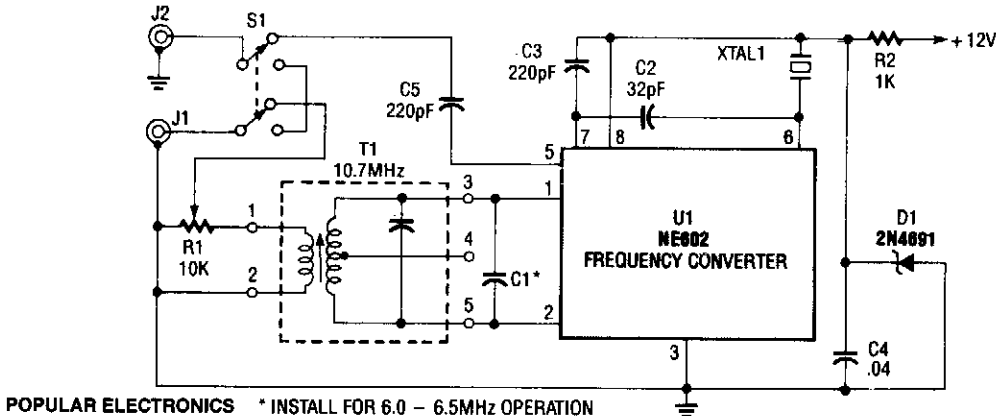
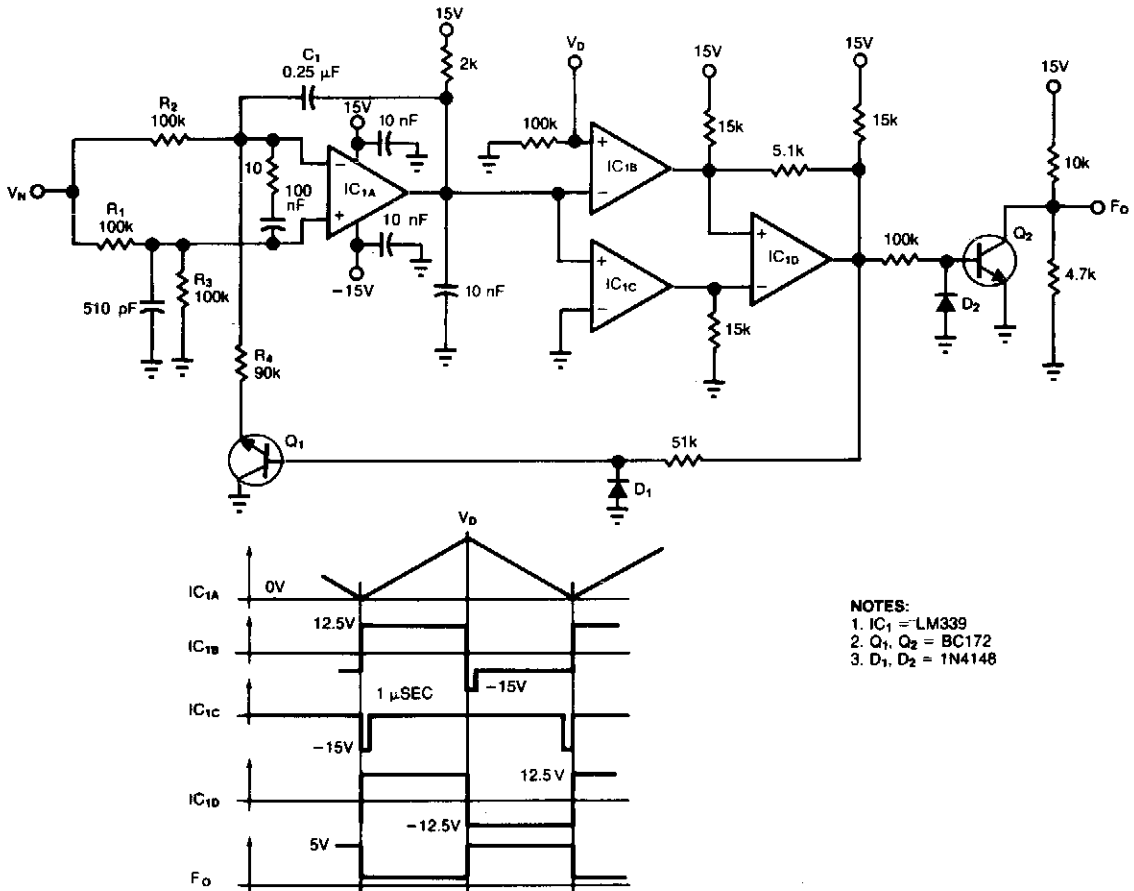


Fig. 19-6



## VOLTAGE RATIO-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

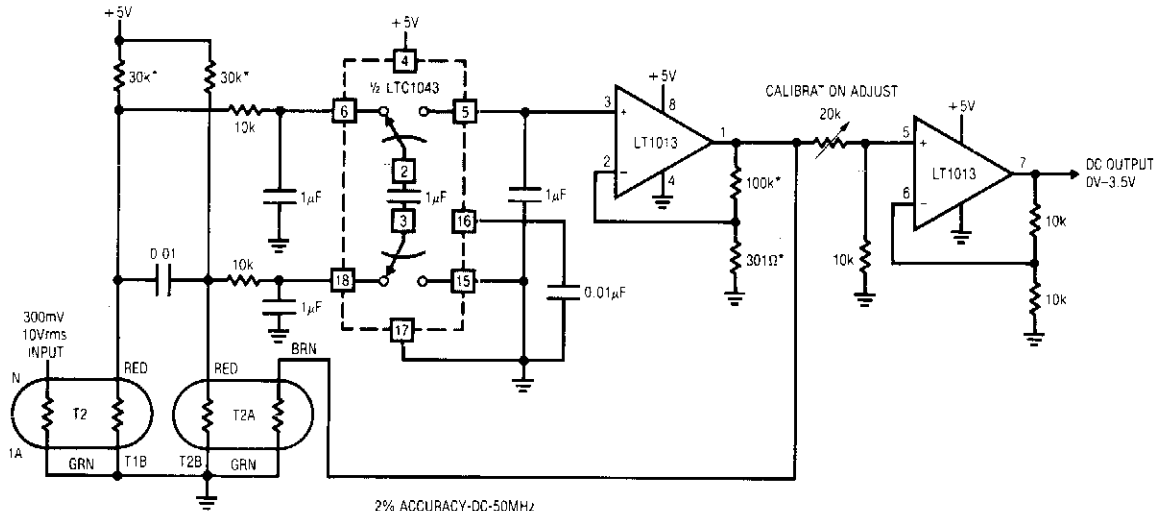


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Fig. 19-8

The circuit accepts two positive-voltage inputs  $V_N$  and  $V_D$  and provides a TTL-compatible output pulse train whose repetition rate is proportional to the ratio  $V_N/V_D$ . Full-scale output frequency is about 100 Hz, and linearity error is below 0.5 percent. The output  $F_O$  equals  $KV_N/V_D$ , where  $K = 1/(4R_2C_1)$  provided  $R_1 = R_3$ . Op amp  $IC_{1A}$  alternately integrates  $V_N/2$  and  $-V_N/2$ , producing a sawtooth output that ramps between the  $V_D$  level and ground. When transistor  $Q_1$  is on, for example,  $IC_{1A}$  integrates  $-V_N/2$  until its output equals  $V_D$ . At that time, the  $IC_{1B}$  comparator switches low, causing  $IC_{1D}$ 's bistable output to go low, which turns off  $Q_1$ .  $IC_{1A}$ 's output then ramps in the negative direction. When the output reaches  $0\text{ V}$ , the  $IC_{1C}$  comparator switches,  $Q_1$  turns on, and the cycle repeats. Transistor  $Q_2$  converts the  $IC_{1D}$  output to TTL-compatible output logic levels. Setting  $V_D$  to 1.00 V yields a linear voltage-to-frequency converter ( $F_O = KV_N$ ), and setting  $V_N$  to 1.00 V yields a reciprocal voltage-to-frequency converter ( $F_O = KV_D$ ).

## 50-MHz THERMAL RMS-TO-DC CONVERTER



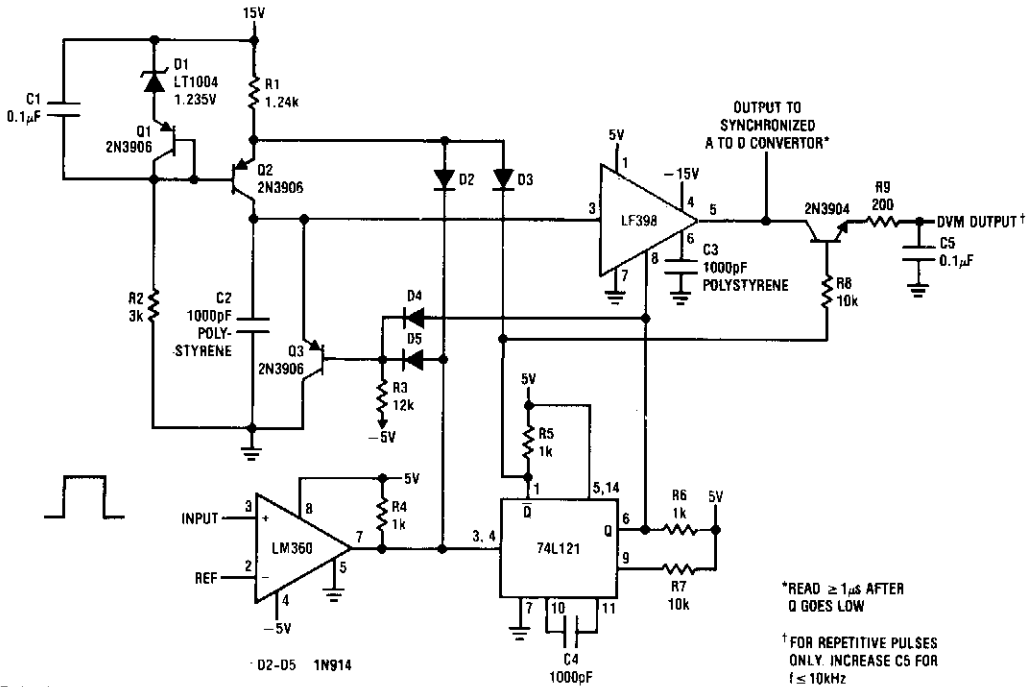
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 ENCLOSE T1 AND T2 IN STYROFOAM

\* 1% RESISTOR

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Fig. 19-9

## PULSE WIDTH-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



\* READ  $\geq 1\mu s$  AFTER Q GOES LOW

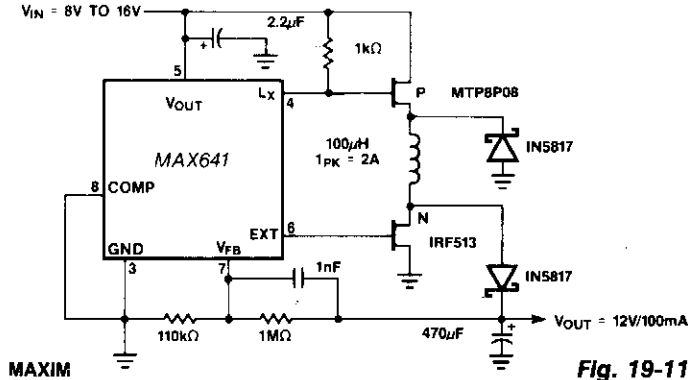
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Fig. 19-10



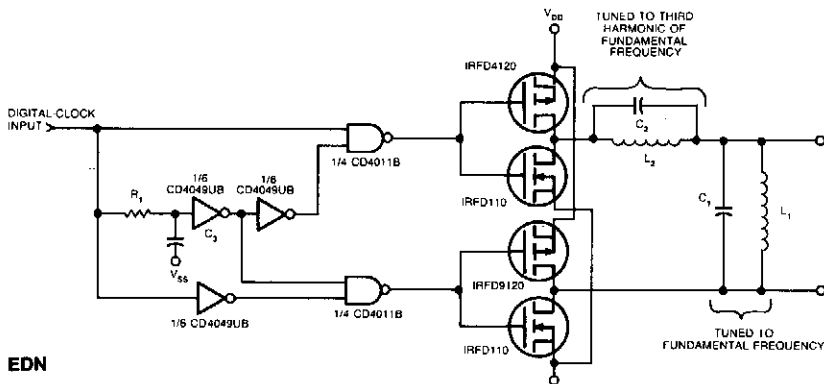
## STEP UP/DOWN DC-DC CONVERTER



Positive output step-up and step-down dc-dc converters have a common limitation in that neither can handle input voltages that are both greater than or less than the output. For example, when converting a 12-V sealed lead/acid battery to a regulated +12 V output, the battery voltage might vary from a high of 15 V down to 10 V.

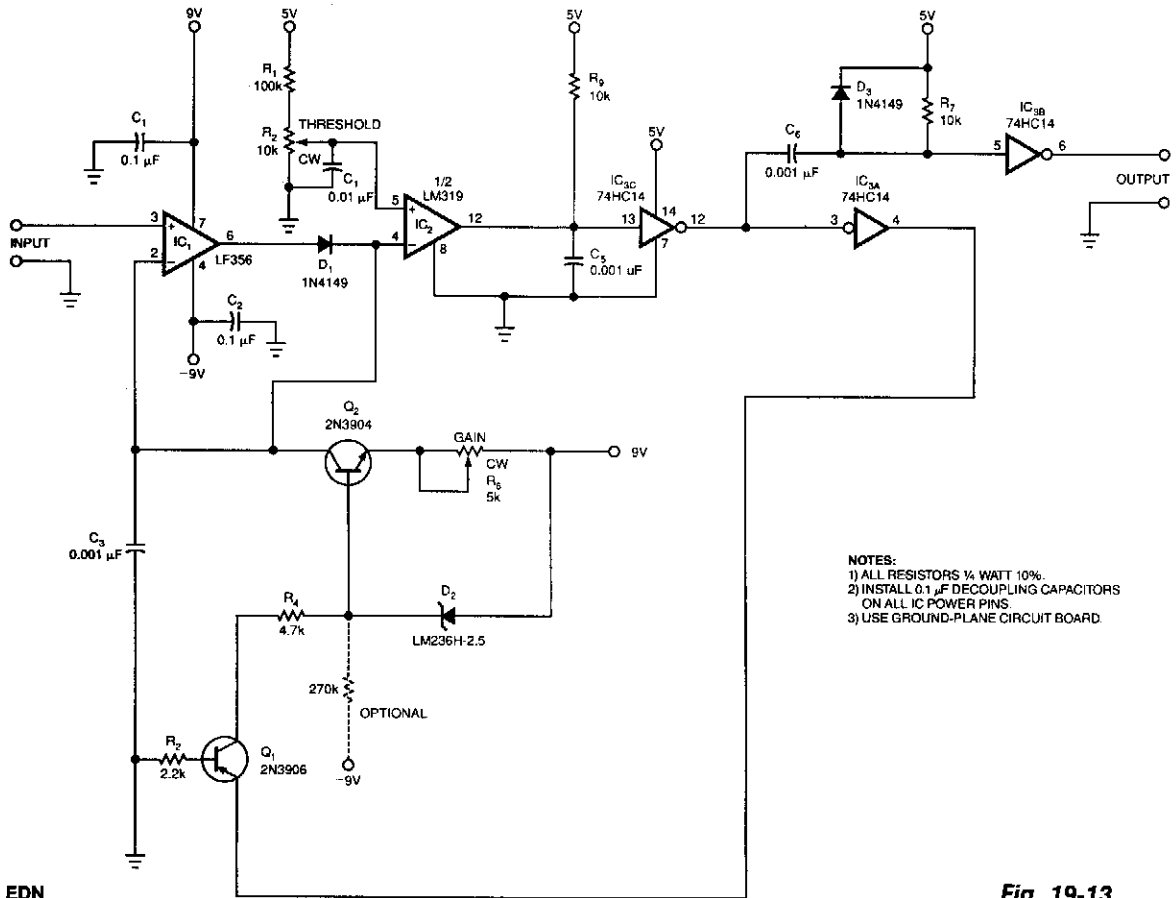
By using a MAX641 to drive separate P- and N-channel MOSFETs, both ends of the inductor are switched to allow noninverting buck/boost operation. A second advantage of the circuit over most boost-only designs is that the output goes to 0 V when shutdown is activated. Inefficiency is a drawback because two MOSFETs and two diodes increase the losses in the charge and discharge path of the inductor. The circuit delivers +12 V at 100 mA at 70 percent efficiency with an 8-V input.

## SQUARE-TO-SINE WAVE CONVERTER



Two pairs of MOSFETs form a bridge that alternately switches current in opposite directions. Two parallel-resonant LC circuits complete the converter. The  $L_1/C_1$  combination is resonant at the fundamental frequency; the  $L_2/C_2$  combination is resonant at the clock frequency's third harmonic and acts as a trap.  $T_1$  and  $C_3$  ensure that both halves of the MOSFET bridge are never on at the same time by providing a common delay to the gate drive of each half. Select the values of  $R_1$  and  $C_3$  to yield a time constant that's less than 5% of the clock's period. You can add an output amplifier for additional buffering and conditioning of the circuit's sine-wave output.

## PULSE HEIGHT-TO-WIDTH CONVERTER



**Fig. 19-13**

The output-pulse width from the circuit is a linear function of the input pulse's height. You can set the circuit's input threshold to discriminate against low-level pulses, while fixed components limit the circuit's maximum output-pulse width.

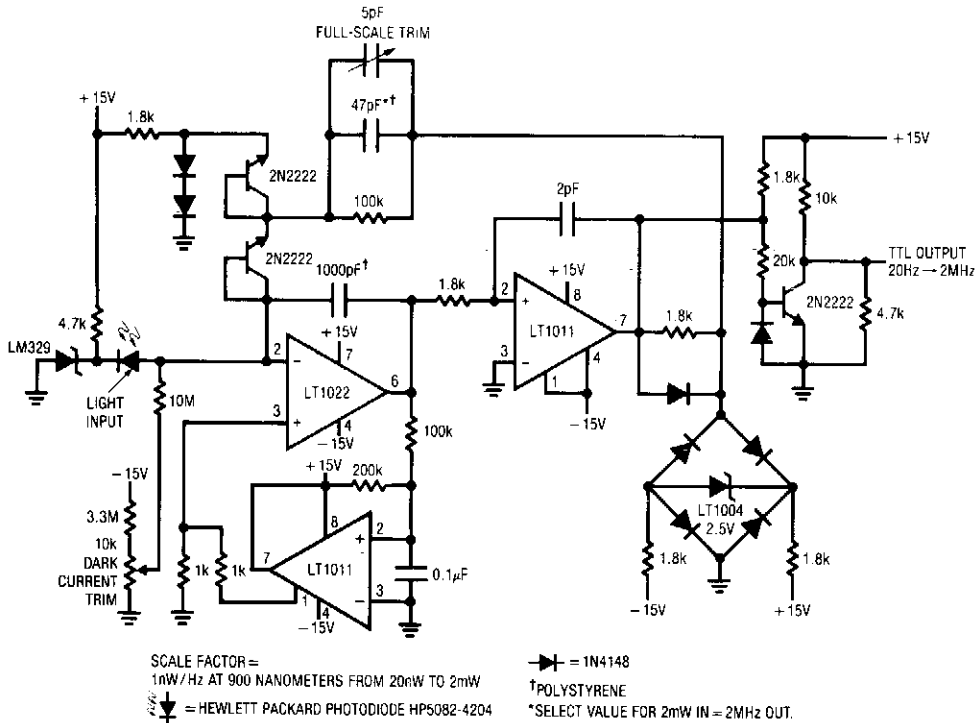
With a 270-KΩ resistor connected from the -9 V supply to the base lead of Q2, this circuit can handle input pulses separated by 20 μs for correct operation. The turn-off time of zener diode D2 sets the lower limit for the input-pulse repetition rate.

IC1, D1, and C3 detect the peak of the input pulse. The comparator IC2, triggers at your preset threshold. The RC delay network, R9 and C5, hold off inverter IC3's changing state until the completion of peak detection. After IC3A changes state, Q1 turns on and then turns on Q2, a constant-current source.

Constant-current source Q1 then discharges C3, the peak-detecting capacitor. When C3 has discharged below IC2's threshold, IC2's output decreases, as do pins 6 and 4 of IC3. The output-pulse width is a function of this discharge time, which you can adjust with R6. C6 and R7 control the maximum output-pulse width, which is 8 μs max.

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## PIN PHOTODIODE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



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Fig. 19-14

## ZERO $I_B$ ERROR V/I CONVERTER

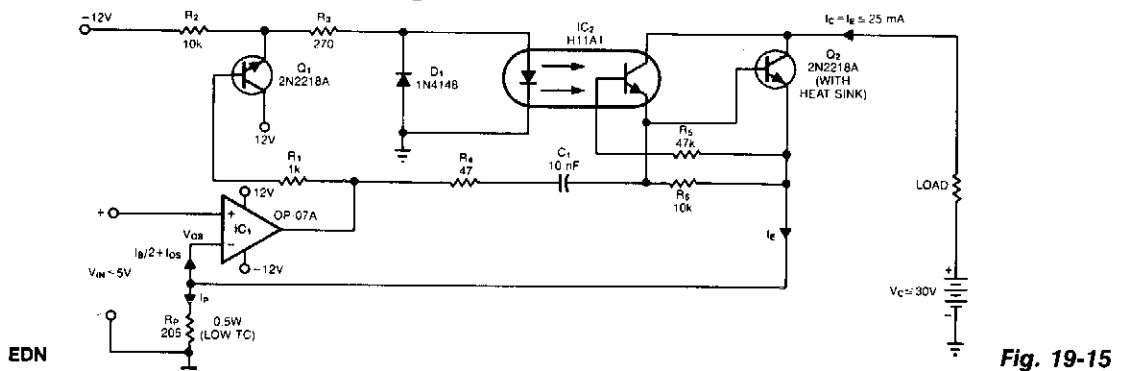
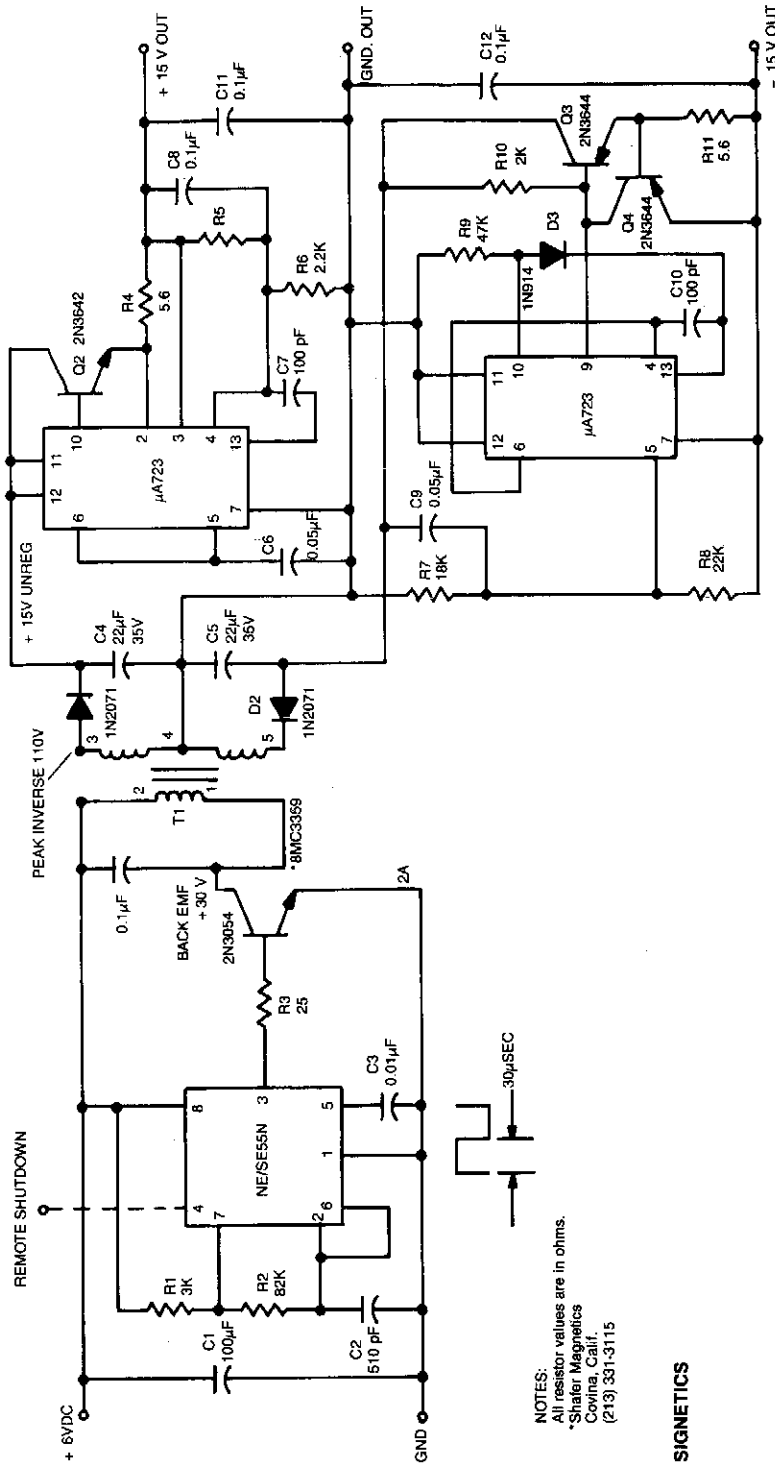


Fig. 19-15

Single programming resistor  $R_p$  provides an output-current range of about six decades. Note that this resistor's TC is also a potential source of error; it dissipates 125 mW when  $V_{IN} = 5 \text{ V}$ . The maximum deviation is typically 50 nA or 0.0002% of full scale. This voltage-controlled current source uses optocoupler IC2 to eliminate an error found in more conventional circuits and which is caused by the output transistor's base current.

# REGULATED DC-DC CONVERTER



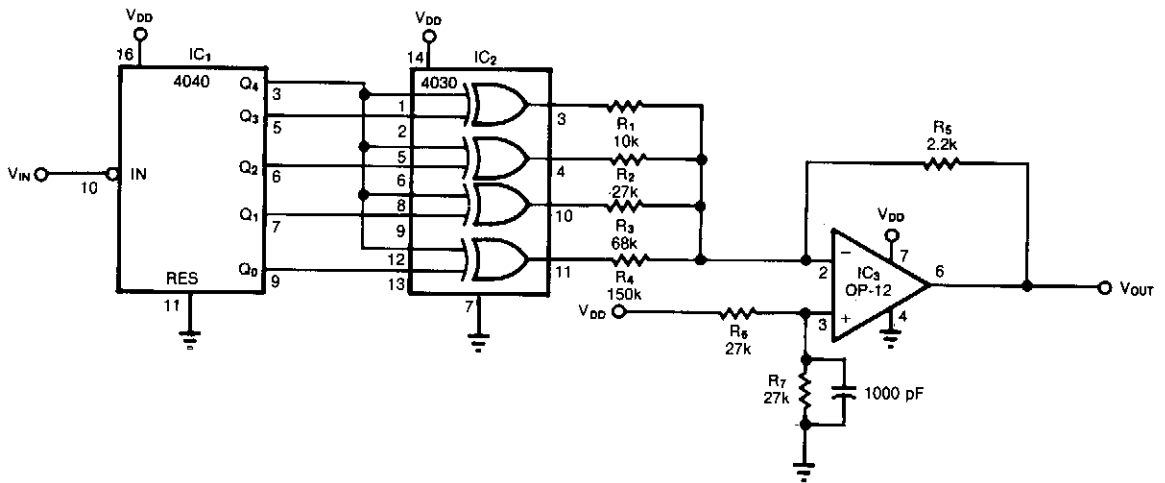
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Fig. 19-16

The regulated dc-dc converter produces 15-Vdc outputs from a +5 Vdc input. Line and load regulation is 0.1%.

## PULSE TRAIN-TO-SINUSOID CONVERTER



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Fig. 19-17

The circuit lets you convert a serial pulse stream or sinusoidal input to a sinusoidal output at  $1/32$  the frequency. By varying the frequency of  $V_{IN}$ , you can achieve an output range of  $10^7:1$ —from about 100 kHz to less than 0.01 Hz. The output resembles that of a 5-bit d/a converter operating on parallel digital data.

Counter IC1 generates binary codes that repeatedly scan the range from 00000 to 11111. The output amplifier adds the corresponding XOR gate outputs,  $V_{DD}$  or ground, weighted by the values of input resistors R1 through R4. The 16 counter codes 00000 to 01111, for instance, pass unchanged to the XOR gate outputs, and cause  $V_{OUT}$  to step through the half-sinusoidal cycle for maximum amplitude to minimum amplitude.

Counter output Q4 becomes high for the next 16 codes, causing the XOR gates to invert the Q0 through Q3 outputs. As a result,  $V_{OUT}$  steps through the remaining half cycle from minimum to maximum amplitude. The counter then rolls over and initiates the next cycle. You can change the R1 through R4 values to obtain other  $V_{OUT}$  waveforms.  $V_{DD}$  should be at least 12 V to assure maximum-frequency operation from IC1 to IC2.

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## Counters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Low-Cost Frequency Counter

Up/Down Counter/Extreme Count

Freezer

10-MHz Frequency Counter

Low-Power Wide-Range Programmable Counter

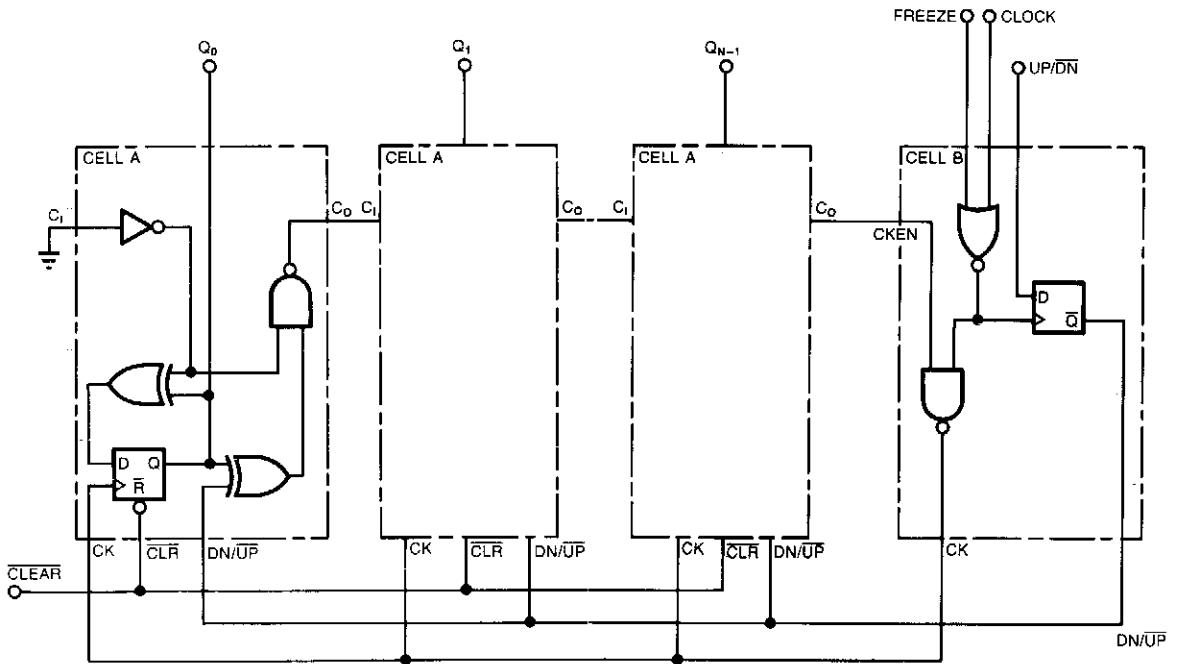
40-MHz Universal Counter

Frequency Counter Preamp

1.2-GHz Frequency Counter



## UP/DOWN COUNTER/EXTREME COUNT FREEZER



**STATE TABLE**

| FREEZE | UP/DN | CLOCK | CURRENT STATE       | NEXT STATE          |
|--------|-------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|
|        |       |       | $Q_{N-1} \dots Q_0$ | $Q_{N-1} \dots Q_0$ |
| L      | H     |       | 11...10             | 11...11             |
| L      | H     |       | 11...11             | 11...11             |
| L      | L     |       | 00...01             | 00...00             |
| L      | L     |       | 00...00             | 00...00             |
| H      | X     | X     | $Q_X$               | $Q_X$               |

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**Fig. 20-2**

The discrete-gate up/down-counter design has the unusual property of freezing, or saturating, when it reaches its lowest count in the down-count mode or its highest count in the count-up mode instead of rolling over and resetting as do most counters. This property proves especially useful in position-control systems. For example, you wouldn't want a robot's arm to slowly move to full extension as the counter counts up and then have it suddenly slam back to its rest position when the counter resets to zero.

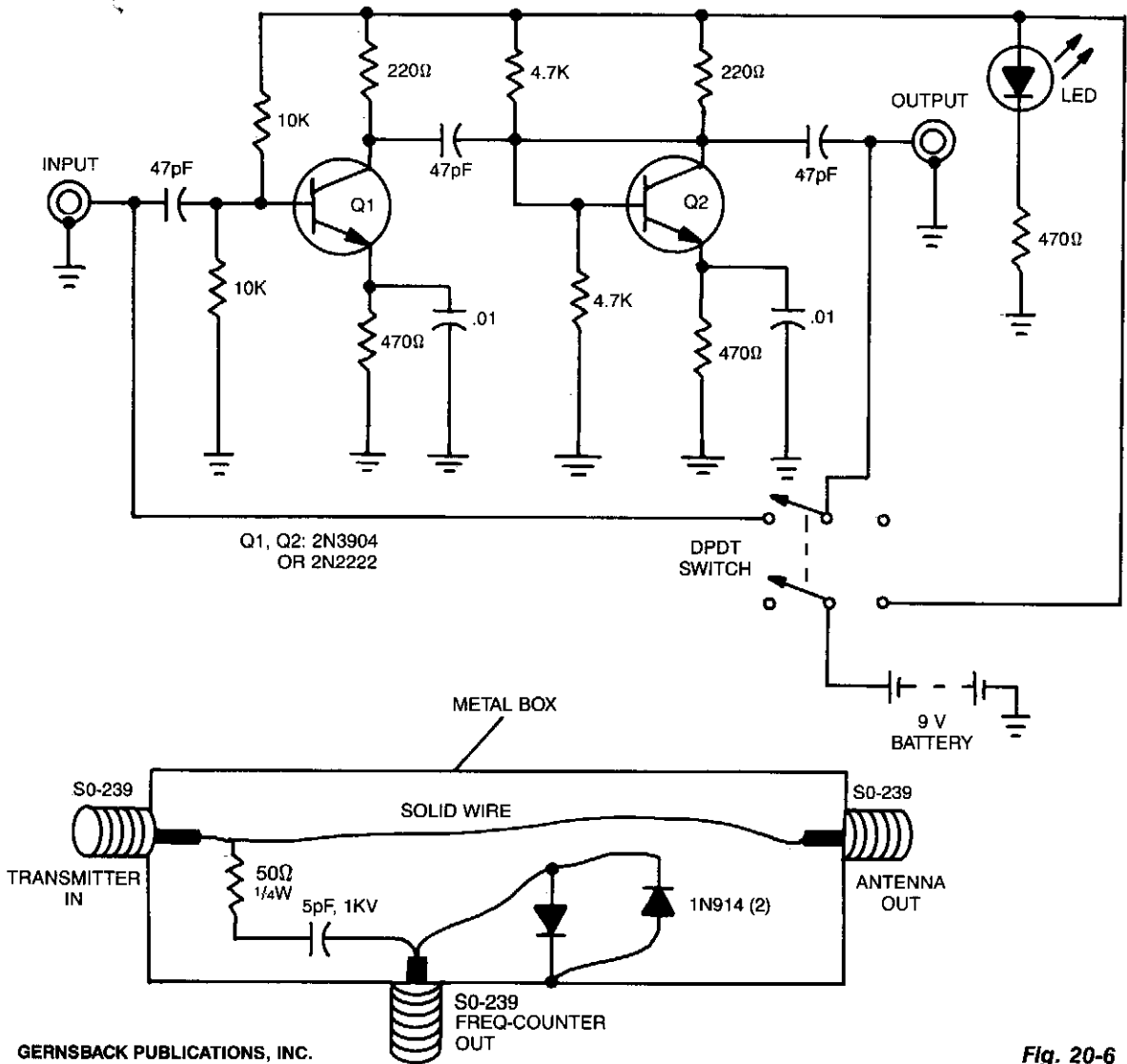
You can cascade as many of the A cells as you need because the counter's outputs are synchronous. The B cell accepts the carry bit from the most significant bit's A cell and provides the clock control that stops the counter. Make sure that the freeze input to the B cell doesn't get asserted when the clock input is low; otherwise, the counter might make an extra count.







## FREQUENCY-COUNTER PREAMP



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**Fig. 20-6**

By using the preamplifier with a short length of shielded cable and clip leads, signals that generally could not generate a readout, generate precise and stable readouts on the counter. The DPDT switch is used to bypass the circuit when amplification is not needed. The preamplifier can also be used for other purposes. For example, the unit was also tested as a receiver preamplifier and increased received signal strength about 6 S-units at 30 MHz. A line tap can be used to measure the frequency directly at the output of a transmitter. The entire circuit for that consists of two diodes, one resistor, and one capacitor. The line tap simply picks a low-amplitude signal for measurement by the frequency counter. The tap can be connected to transmitters with an output power of between 1 and 250 W.



## 1.2-GHz FREQUENCY COUNTER (Cont.)

The output of the CA3179 is fed through the D1/Q1 circuit. Those components serve to boost the 1-V output of the CA3179 to a standard TTL level. Then, depending on the position of range switch S2b, the signal is passed directly to the 7216, or through the divide-by-four circuit built from the two D flip-flops in IC3.

The other half of the range switch S2a controls the voltage at pin 3 of the CA3179. When pin 3 is high, the signal applied to pin 9 is fed through an extra internal divide-by-four stage before it is amplified and output on pins 4 and 5. When pin 3 is low, the signal on pin 13 is simply processed for output without being divided internally.

A 3.90625-MHz crystal provides the time base; the crystal yields a fast gate time of 0.256 second. The displayed frequency equals the input frequency divided by 1000 in the fast mode. In slow mode, gate time is 2.56 seconds. The displayed frequency equals the input frequency divided by 100 in the slow mode.

Switch S4, gate time, performs two functions. First it selects the appropriate gate time according to which digit output of IC1 the range input is connected to. Another of the 7216's inputs is also controlled by S4: the dp select input. The decimal point of the digit output to which that pin is connected will be the one that lights up. The correct decimal point illuminates, according to the position of S4, to provide a reading in MHz.

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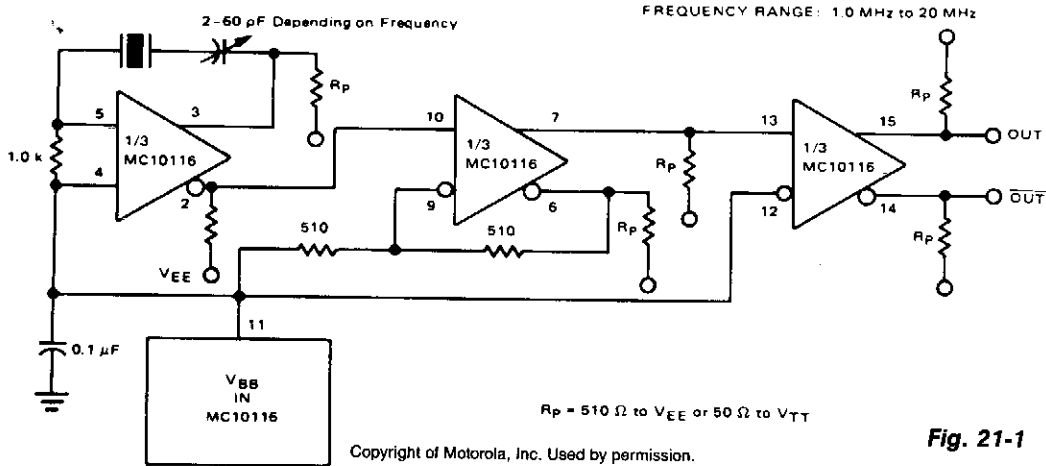
## Crystal Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

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| Fundamental-Frequency Crystal Oscillator | Two-Gate Quartz Oscillator                 |
| Easy Start-Up Crystal Oscillator         | Crystal-Controlled Reflection Oscillator   |
| Crystal Timebase                         | Temperature-Compensated Crystal Oscillator |
| Low-Frequency Pierce Oscillator          | 20-MHz VHF Crystal Oscillator              |
| 1-MHz Pierce Oscillators                 | Marker Generator                           |
| Simple CMOS Crystal Oscillators          | 100-MHz VHF Crystal Oscillator             |
| Voltage-Controlled Crystal Oscillator    | 50-MHz VHF Crystal Oscillator              |

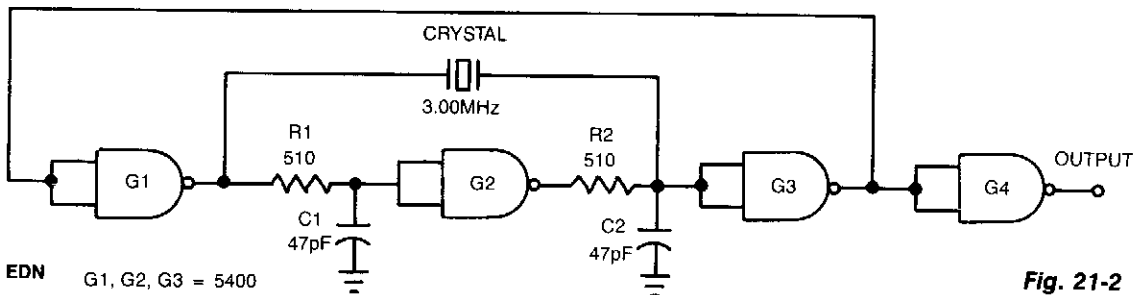
## FUNDAMENTAL-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 21-1**

For frequencies below 20 MHz, a fundamental-frequency crystal can be used and the resonant tank is no longer required. Also, at this lower frequency range the typical MECL 10,000 propagation delay of 2 ns becomes small compared to the period of oscillation, and it becomes necessary to use a noninverting output. Thus, the MC10116 oscillator section functions simply as an amplifier. The 1.0 KΩ resistor biases the line receiver near  $V_{BB}$  and the 0.1-μF capacitor is a filter capacitor for the  $V_{BB}$  supply. The capacitor, in series with the crystal, provides for minor frequency adjustments. The second section of the MC10116 is connected as a Schmitt-trigger circuit; this ensures good MECL edges from a rather slow, less than 20-MHz input signal. The third stage of the MC10116 is used as a buffer and to give complementary outputs from the crystal oscillator circuit. The circuit has a maximum operating frequency of approximately 20 MHz and a minimum of approximately 1 MHz; it is intended for use with a crystal which operates in the fundamental mode of oscillation.

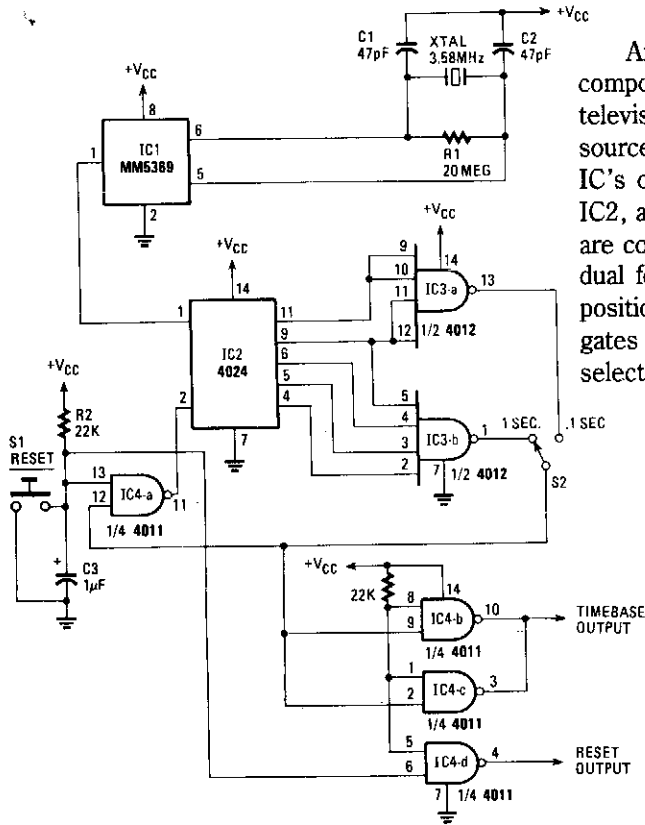
## EASY START-UP CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 21-2**

This low cost, crystal-controlled oscillator uses one TTL gate. Two factors ensure oscillator start-up: The connection of NAND gates G1, G2, and G3 into an unstable logic configuration and the high loop gain of the three inverters. Values of R1, R2, C1, and C2 aren't critical; select them so the oscillator operates at a frequency 70 to 90% higher than the crystal frequency when the crystal is disconnected. For 1–2 MHz operation, a low-power 54L00 IC is recommended; for a 2–6 MHz, a standard 5400 type; and for 6–20 MHz, a 54H00 or 54S00.

## CRYSTAL TIMEBASE



An on-board oscillator and a 17-stage divider compose IC1. By connecting a standard 3.58-MHz, television color-burst crystal as shown, an accurate source of 60-Hz squarewaves is generated at the IC's output, pin 1. Those pulses are then fed to IC2, a 4024 seven-stage ripple counter. Its outputs are connected to different gates in IC3, which is a dual four-input NAND gate. Depending on which position pulse-select switch S2 is on, one of those gates will provide an output/reset pulse of the selected width.

Fig. 21-3

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## LOW-FREQUENCY PIERCE OSCILLATOR

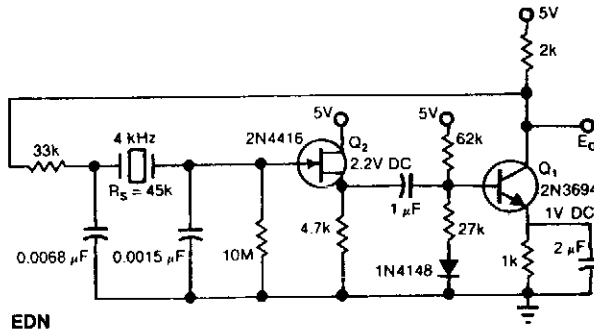
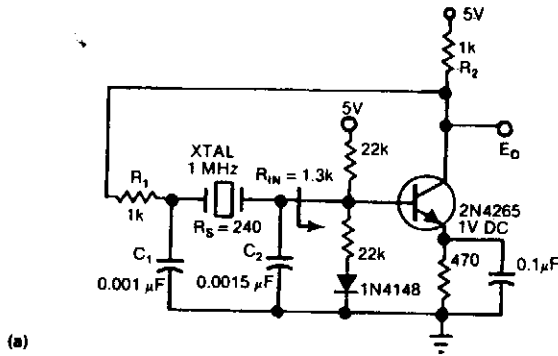


Fig. 21-4

The Pierce circuit oscillates at 4 kHz. At low frequencies, the crystal's internal series resistance  $R_s$  is quite high (45 K at 4 kHz). Therefore, an FET-based source follower is included to prevent Q1 from loading the crystal output.

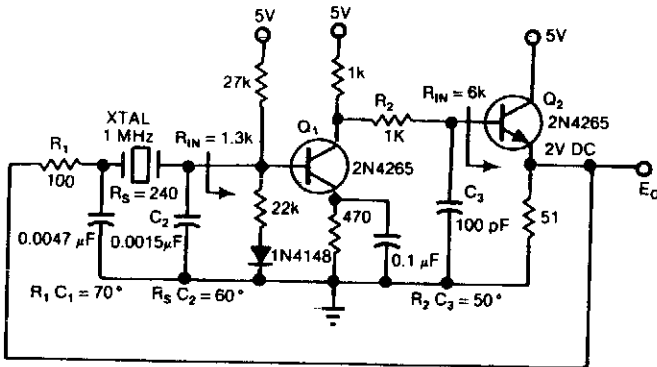


## 1-MHz PIERCE OSCILLATORS



(a)

Simple network design is a key feature of the Pierce circuit, as these 1-MHz oscillators illustrate. Operating the crystal slightly above resonance (Fig. 21-5a) requires only one high-gain transistor stage. Operating it exactly at series resonance (Fig. 21-5b) requires an extra RC phase lag and two transistors which can have lower gain.



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Fig. 21-5

## SIMPLE CMOS CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

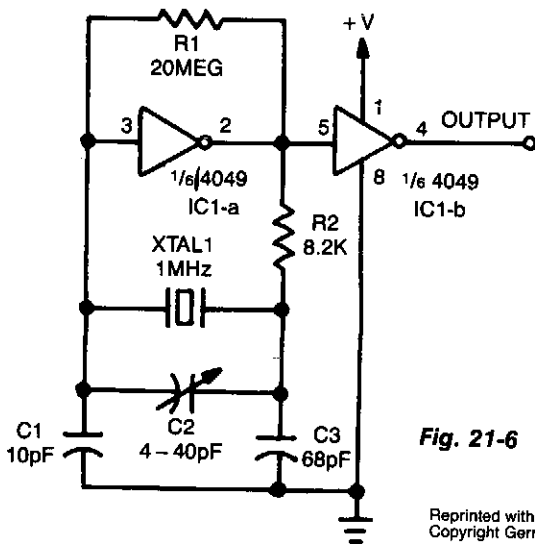
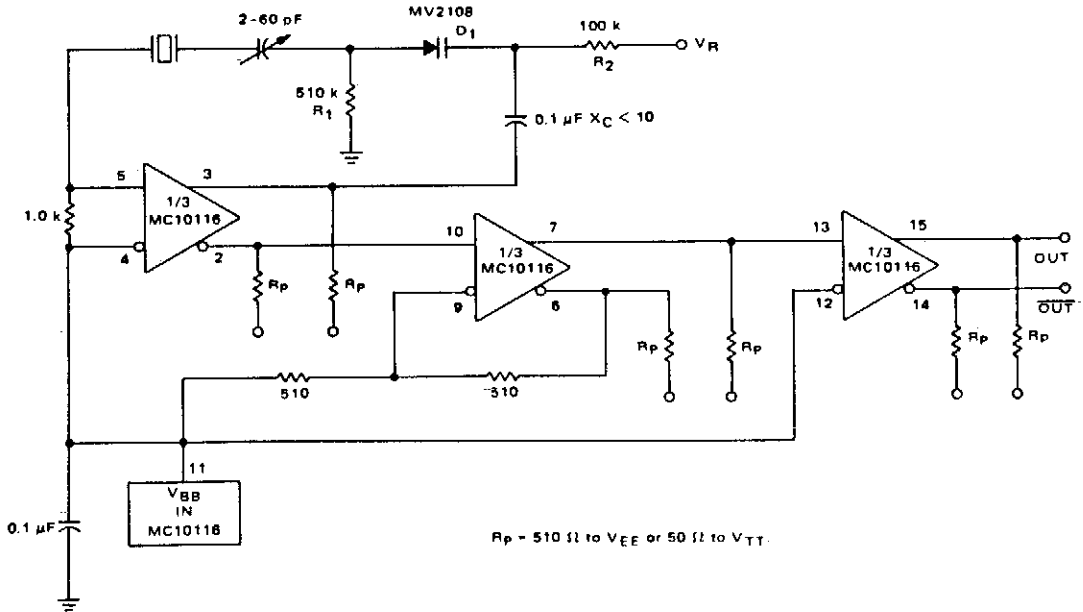


Fig. 21-6

The circuit is an inverter set up as a linear amplifier. Adding the crystal and capacitors to the feedback path, we turn the amplifier into an oscillator and force it to oscillate at, or least very near, the crystal's resonant frequency. Trimmer capacitor C2 adjusts the actual operating frequency of the circuit. The crystal should be a parallel-resonant type; maximum frequency will depend partly on supply voltage, but it should be possible to go to at least 1 MHz.

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## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



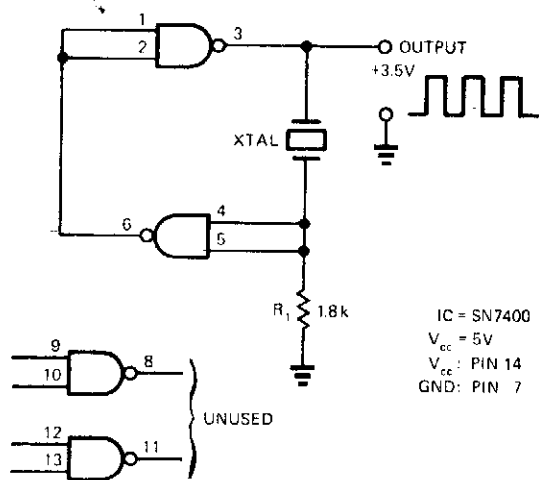
| NOMINAL FREQUENCY<br>MHz | DEVIATION |       |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|
|                          | +PPM      | -PPM  |
| 1.0000                   | 57.0      | 48.0  |
| 1.8432                   | 95.5      | 80.3  |
| 10.000                   | 197.4     | 202.8 |
| 15.000                   | 325.4     | 322.9 |

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**Fig. 21-7**

A voltage-variable capacitance tuning diode is placed in series with the crystal feedback path. Changing the voltage on  $V_R$  varies the tuning diode capacitance and tunes the oscillator. The 510-K $\Omega$  resistor,  $R_1$ , establishes a reference voltage for  $V_R$ —ground is used in this example. A 100-K $\Omega$  resistor,  $R_2$ , isolates the tuning voltage from the feedback loop and 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor  $C_2$  provides ac coupling to the tuning diode. The circuit operates over a tuning range of 0 to 25 V. It is possible to change the tuning range from 0 to 25 V by reversing the tuning diode  $D_1$ . Center frequency is set with the 2-60 pf trimmer capacitor. Deviation on either side of center is a function of the crystal frequency. The table in Fig. 21-7 shows measured deviation in parts per million for several tested crystals.

## TWO-GATE QUARTZ OSCILLATOR

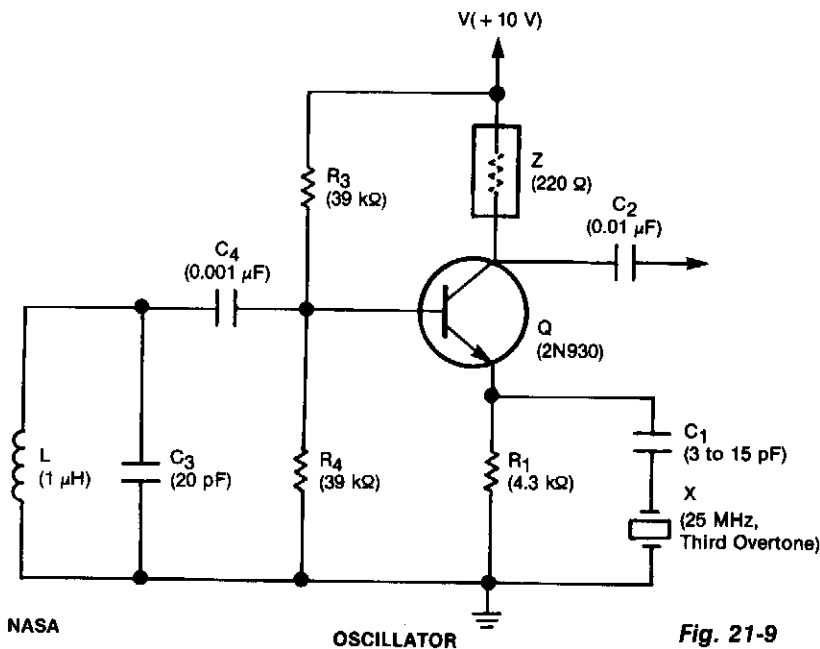


A SN7400 quartz crystal and a resistor provide a square-wave output of approximately 3.5 V. The circuit operates reliably at frequencies from 120 kHz to 4 MHz.

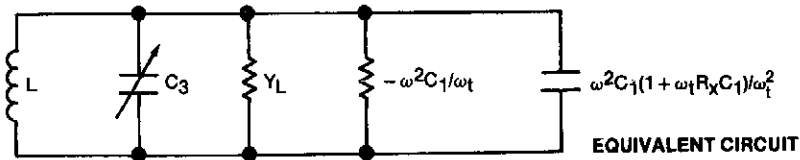
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Fig. 21-8

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED REFLECTION OSCILLATOR



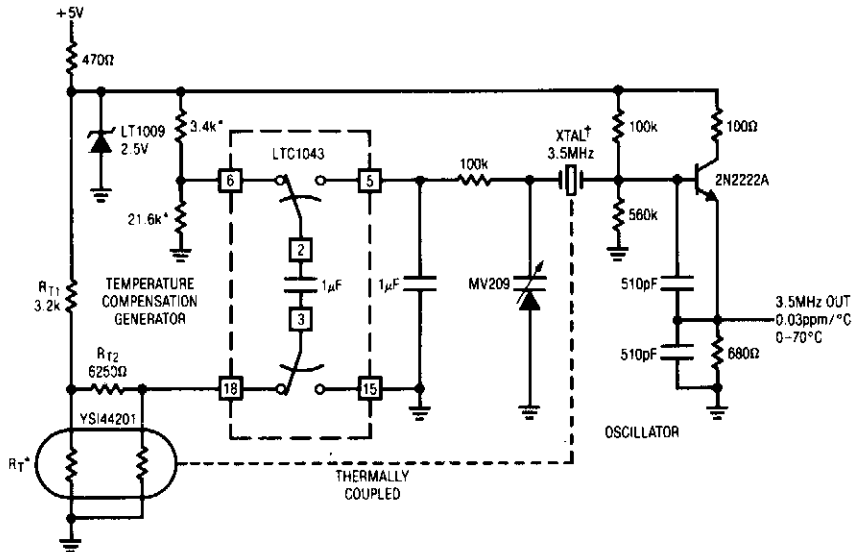
## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED REFLECTION OSCILLATOR (Cont.)



This unit is easily tunable and stable, consumes little power, and costs less than other types of oscillators that operate at the same frequencies. This unusual combination of features is made possible by a design concept that includes operation of the transistor well beyond the 3 dB frequency of its current-versus-frequency curve. The concept takes advantage of newly available crystals that resonate at frequencies up to about 1 GHz.

The emitter of transistor Q is connected with variable capacitor C1 and series-resonant crystal X. The emitter is also connected to ground through bias resistor R1. The base is connected to the parallel combination of inductor L and capacitor C3 through dc-blocking capacitor and C4 and is forward biased with respect to the emitter by resistors R3 and R4. Impedance Z could be the 220- $\Omega$  resistor shown or any small impedance that enables the extraction of the output signal through coupling capacitor C2. If Z is a tuned circuit, it is tuned to the frequency of the crystal.

## TEMPERATURE-COMPENSATED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



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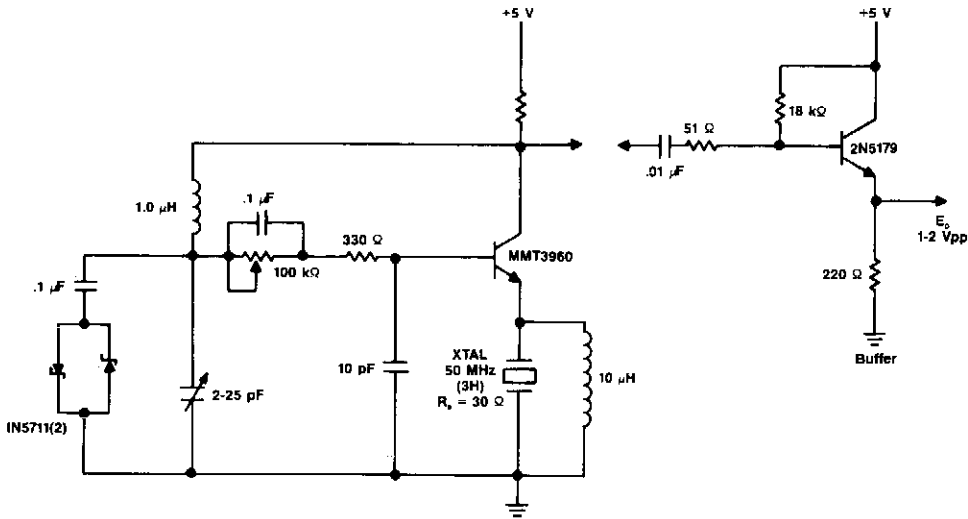
Fig. 21-10

This circuit uses LTC1043 to differentiate between a temperature sensing network and a dc reference. The single-ended output biases a varactor-tuned crystal oscillator to compensate drift. The varactor crystal network has high dc impedance, eliminating the need for an LTC1043 output amplifier.





## 50-MHz VHF CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



R. Matthys, RF Design, March 1987, p. 31.

**Fig. 21-14**

Figure 21-14 shows a 50-MHz oscillator operating on a third harmonic. The collector's load resistor  $R_L$  has been increased because the quartz crystal's internal series resistance  $R_S$  increases with frequency in the VHF range. The crystal's internal series resistance  $R_S$  is  $30 \Omega$ , and the transistor's minimum current gain  $H_{FE}$  is 100. Using the same technique as for the 20 MHz oscillator, the external series  $R_L C_L$  equivalent load seen by the 50 MHz crystal is  $5.6 \Omega$  ( $R_L$ ) and  $1000 \text{ pF}$  ( $C_L$ ).

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## Decoders

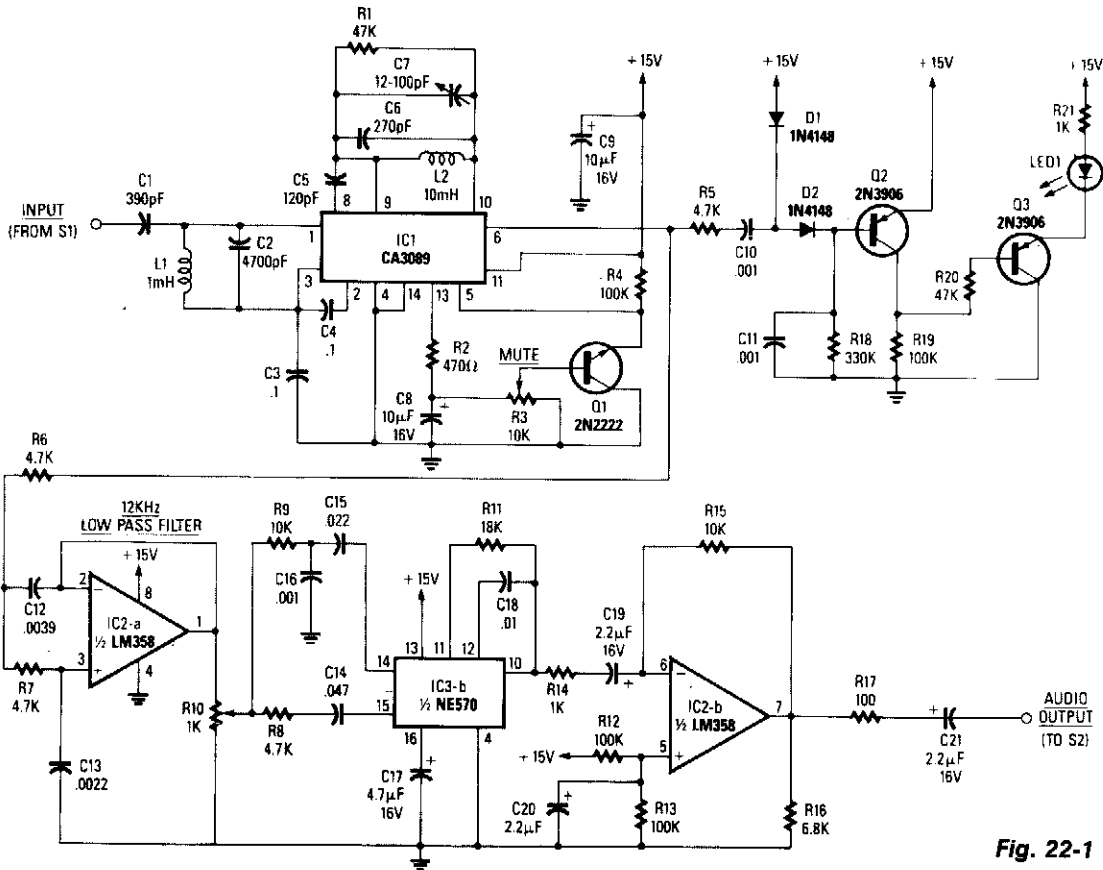
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Second-Audio Program Adapter  
Tone Decoder  
Encoder/Decoder  
Direction Detector/Decoder  
Sound-Activated Decoder



## SECOND-AUDIO PROGRAM ADAPTER



**Fig. 22-1**

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The baseband-audio input comes from the pole of switch S1 in the stereo decoder, and is coupled to IC1 (a CA3089) via a 78.6 kHz bandpass filter that consists of capacitors C1 and C2, and inductor L1. IC1 is a combination i-f amplifier and quadrature detector normally used for FM radio systems operating within an i-f of 10.7 MHz. The device works equally well at 78.6 kHz. Capacitors C6 and C7, and inductor L2 tune the detector section to 78.6 kHz, while C5 provides the necessary 90-degree phase shift for proper quadrature detector operation. The output voltage at pin 13 of IC1 is proportional to the level of the incoming signal. When the voltage at the wiper of potentiometer R3 reaches a predetermined threshold level, Q1 conducts, grounding pin 5 of IC1, enabling IC1's mute function.

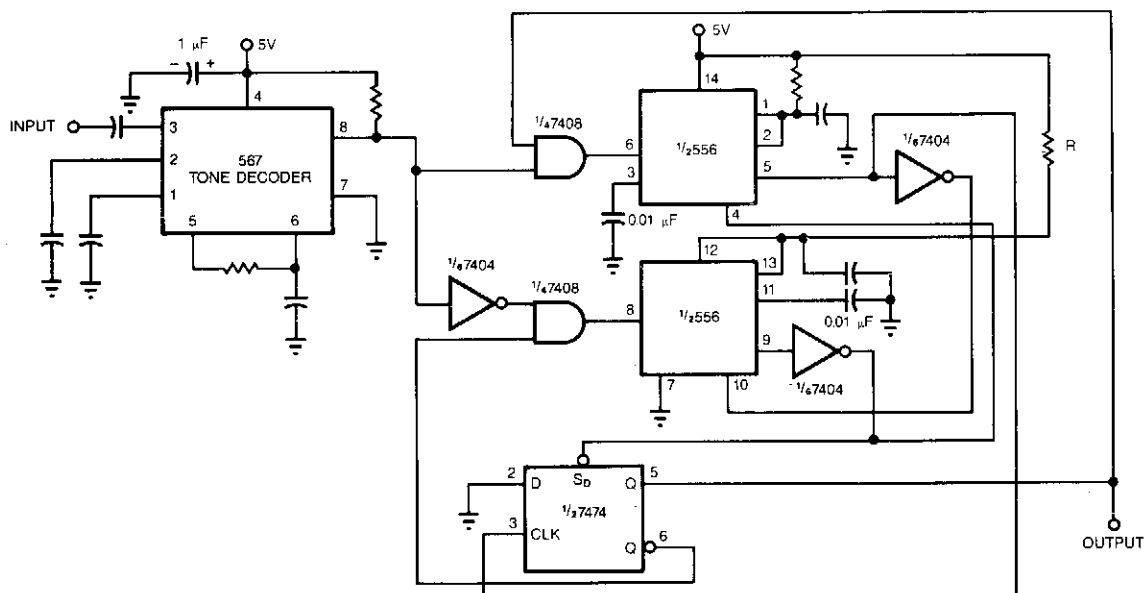
Detected audio output from pin 6 of IC1 goes to IC2a, which is configured as a 12-kHz, -12 dB per octave, low-pass filter. The output of IC2a appears across potentiometer R10, which provides a means of adjusting the drive level into IC3b, the 2:1 compander.

## SECOND-AUDIO PROGRAM ADAPTER (Cont.)

Audio from the wiper of R10 is split into two paths: a high-pass filter (C14 and R8) provides a path to the rectifier input of the compander, and a bandpass filter (R9, C16, and C15) that feeds the audio input of the compander. A fixed 390- $\mu$ s de-emphasis network is formed by C18 and R11 in conjunction with IC3b. Corrected audio appears at pin 10 of IC3b and is coupled to IC2b, and output buffer amplifier.

Audio from pin 6 of IC1 is also coupled to an audio high-pass filter, R5 and C10, and fed to an audio rectifier, D1, D2, and C11. When a SAP signal is detected by IC1, it is rectified by D1 and D2; the resultant dc charges C11. An increasing positive voltage at the base of Q2 causes its current flow to decrease, so the voltage at Q2's collector also decreases. That in turn causes the base voltage of Q3 to drop, which causes Q3 to conduct, thereby lighting the LED.

### TONE DECODER



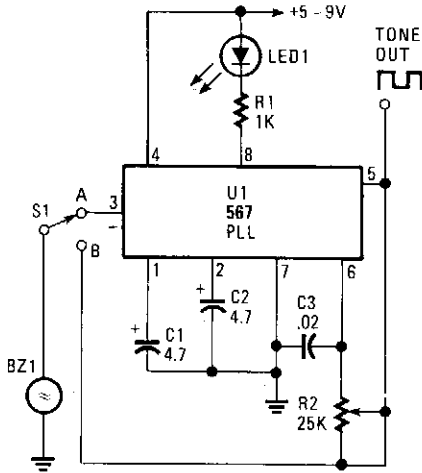
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Fig. 22-2

Adding a pair of one shots to the output of a 567 tone decoder renders it less sensitive to out-of-band signals and noise. Without the one shots, the 567 is prone to spurious output chatter. Other protection schemes, such as feeding back outputs or using an input filter, do not work as well as the one shots. The output of the 567 is high in the absence of a tone and becomes low when it detects a tone. The tone decoder triggers a one shot via an AND gate. The one shot's period is set to slightly less than the duration of a tone burst.

When the output of the tone decoder decreases, it triggers the second one shot. The second one shot's period is set to slightly less than the interval between tone bursts. The flip-flop enables and disables the inputs to one shots so that spurious outputs from the tone decoder do not affect the output.

## ENCODER/DECODER



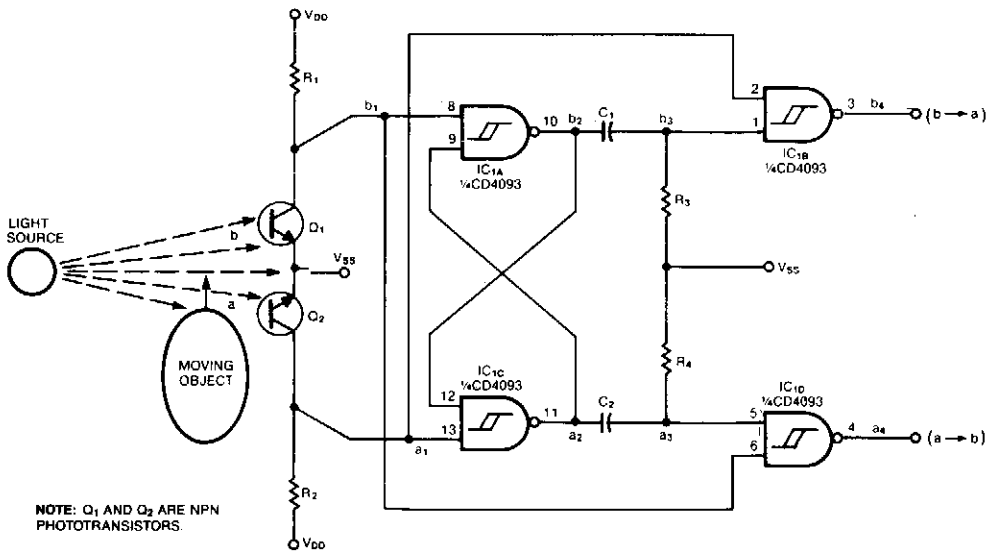
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Fig. 22-3

The transducer circuit can be operated as either a tone encoder or decoder by changing the position of S1. The operating frequency of that dual-purpose circuit is determined by C3 and R2. Capacitors C1 and C2 are not critical and can be of almost any value between 1 and 5 mf. When the circuit is receiving an on-frequency signal, LED1 lights. Although a two wire piezo transducer with a resonance frequency of 2500 Hz was used in the circuit, any piezo unit should work—as long as the values of C3 and R2 are selected to tune to the transducer's operating frequency.

With power on and S1 in the B position, adjust R2 for the loudest tone output. The circuit should be tuned to the resonance frequency of the transducer. In that position, the circuit can be used as an acoustical or tone signal encoder. Next, switch to the A position and aim an on-frequency audible tone toward the transducer; the LED should light, indicating a decoded signal.

## DIRECTION DETECTOR DECODER



## DIRECTION DETECTOR DECODER (Cont.)

This circuit, which was developed to monitor the traffic of bumblebees in and out of the hive, differentiates a-to-b motion from b-to-b motion. When used with an optical decoder, the circuit distinguishes clockwise from counterclockwise rotation and provides a resolution of one output pulse per quadrature cycle.

Q1 and Q2 are mounted so that a moving object first blocks one phototransistor, then both, then the other. Depending on the direction in which the object is moving, either IC1B or IC1D emits a negative pulse when the moving object blocks the second sensor. An object can get as far as condition 3 and retreat without producing an output pulse; that is, the circuit ignores any probing or jittery motion. If an object gets as far as condition 4, however, a retreat will produce an opposite-direction pulse.

The time constants R3C1 and R4C2 set the output pulse width. A 100 k $\Omega$ /100pF combination, for example, produces 10- $\mu$ s pulses. Select a value for pullup resistors R1 and R2 from the 10 K to 100 K $\Omega$  range, according to the sensitivity your application requires.

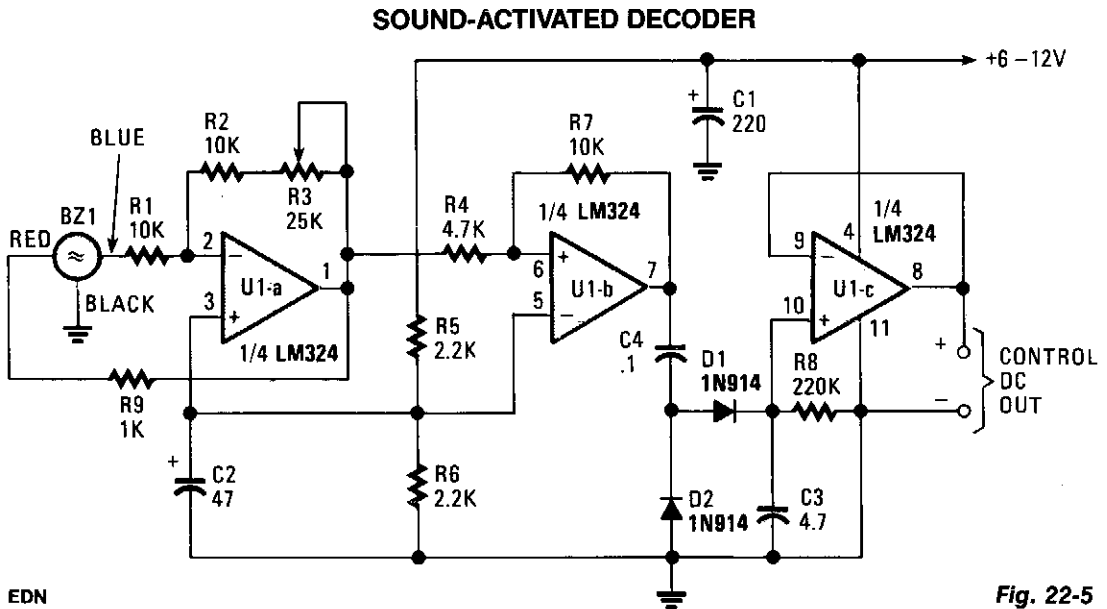


Fig. 22-5

The piezo transducer operates as a sound-pickup device as well as a frequency-selective filter. By controlling the gain of the op amps, the oscillator can be transformed into a sensitive and frequency-selective tone-decoder circuit. With the gain of U1a set just below the point of self oscillation, the transducer becomes sensitive to acoustically coupled audio tones that occur at or near its resonant frequency.

The circuit's output can be used to activate optocouplers, drive relay circuits, or to control almost any dc-operated circuit. The dc signal at the output of U1c varies with 0 to over 6 V, depending on the input-signal level. One unusual application for the sound-activated decoder would be in extremely high-noise environments, where normal broadband microphone pickup would be useless. Because piezo transducers respond only to frequencies within a very narrow bandwidth, little if any of the noise would get through the transducer.

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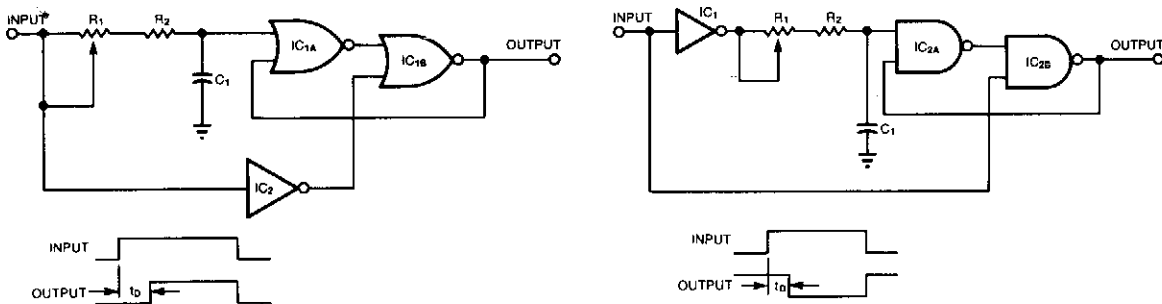
## Delay Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Leading-Edge Delay  
Pulse Delay with Dual-Edge Trigger  
Adjustable Delay

## LEADING-EDGE DELAY

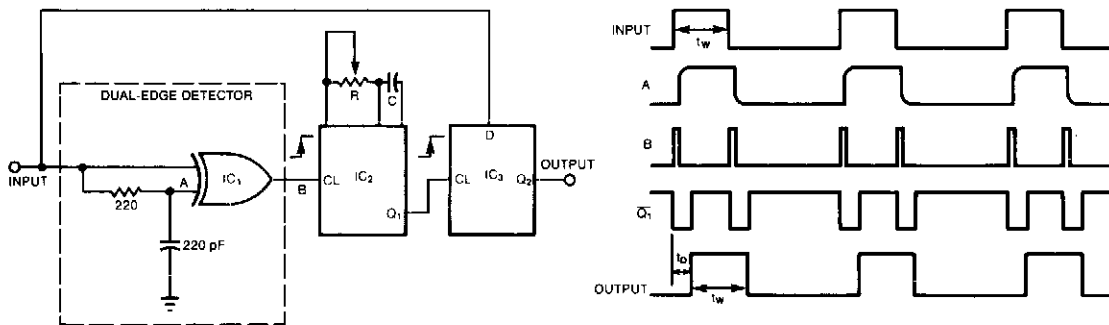


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(b) Fig. 23-1

Circuit (a) lets you delay the leading edge of a positive pulse while leaving the trailing edge almost unaffected. A positive input transition, inverted by IC2, has no effect on IC1B. However, when the positive transition reaches IC1A, (delayed by the adjustable network of R1, R2, and C1), it toggles both NOR gates, initiating the output pulse. When the input decreases IC1B follows suit, delayed only by the propagation through itself and IC2. Circuit (b) produces an inverted output pulse. Inverter IC1 serves as a buffer for the signal source—an advantage when driving a low-impedance (short-delay) network. Moreover, only the propagation delay of IC2B separates the output's trailing edge from that of the input. You can configure circuit (a) to handle negative pulses by using NAND instead of NOR gates. Similarly, circuit (b) will produce a delayed positive pulse in response to negative input pulse, if you substitute NOR gates for NAND gates.

## PULSE DELAY WITH DUAL-EDGE TRIGGER

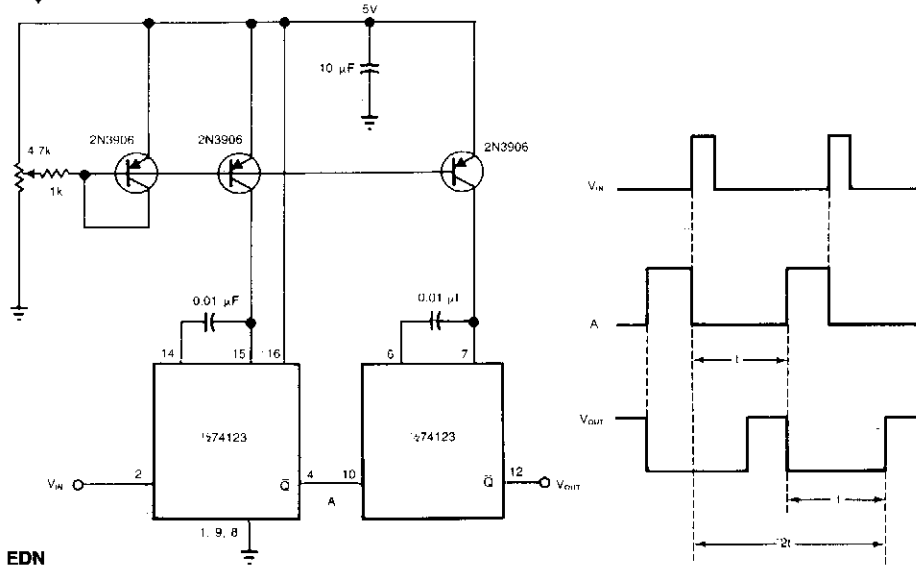


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Fig. 23-2

A single monostable multivibrator delays a pulse train by a variable amount; nonetheless, this amount can be no less than the minimum allowed pulse width  $t_w$ . The exclusive-OR gate, IC1, generates a short pulse following every leading or falling edge of the input waveform. These pulses cause one-shot IC2 to produce a negative-going pulse with a duration equal to the desired time delay  $t_p$ , which you set by adjusting potentiometer R. Flip-flop IC3 then creates a delayed replica of the input pulse by latching the Q1 output of IC2 between positive-going transitions. You can independently control the output-pulse duration by cascading a second one shot with the first.

## ADJUSTABLE DELAY



**Fig. 23-3**

You can obtain well over 360° of phase delay by cascading two monostable multivibrators. In a typical configuration, a single monostable multivibrator is used to introduce delay in a pulse train; the multivibrator triggers on each incoming pulse, provided it resets in time for the next pulse. Yet even when it resets in time, the single monostable multivibrator provides a maximum phase delay of less than 360°. However, with the cascaded-multivibrator approach, you can achieve 650° of phase delay by using an input-pulse spacing of 200 μs for example, with the component values shown. Every input pulse will trigger the circuit while you adjust the phase delay throughout its available range. The first multivibrator triggers the second one, whose reset marks the total delay time (2t). Each introduces a delay of t μs, based on 0.01-μF timing capacitors and equal charging currents from the three-transistor, dual-current source. The two multivibrator arrangement allows the first multivibrator to reset in time to be triggered by the next input pulse. Also, the variation of t is linear with the potentiometer setting.

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## Demodulator

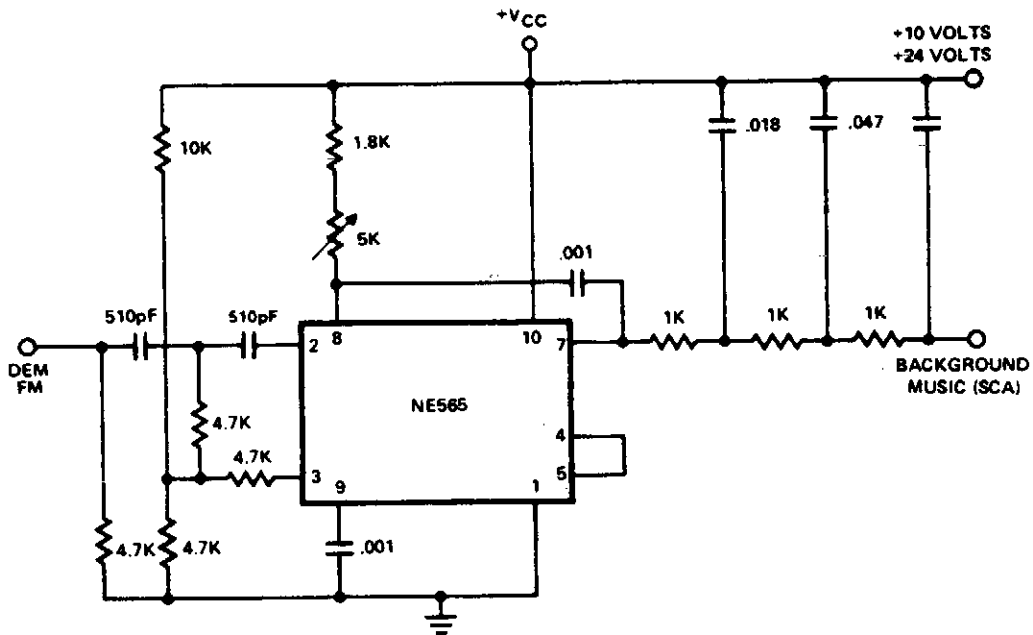
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565 SCA Demodulator



## 565 SCA DEMODULATOR



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Fig. 24-1

This application involves demodulation of a frequency-modulated subcarrier of the main channel. This popular example uses the PLL to recover the SCA (Subsidiary Carrier Authorization or storecast music) signal from the combined signal of many commercial FM broadcast stations. The SCA signal is a 67 kHz frequency-modulated subcarrier which puts it above the frequency spectrum of the normal stereo or monaural FM program material. By connecting the circuit to a point between the FM discriminator and the deemphasis filter of an FM receiver and tuning the receiver to a station which broadcasts an SCA signal, you can obtain hours of commercial-free background music.

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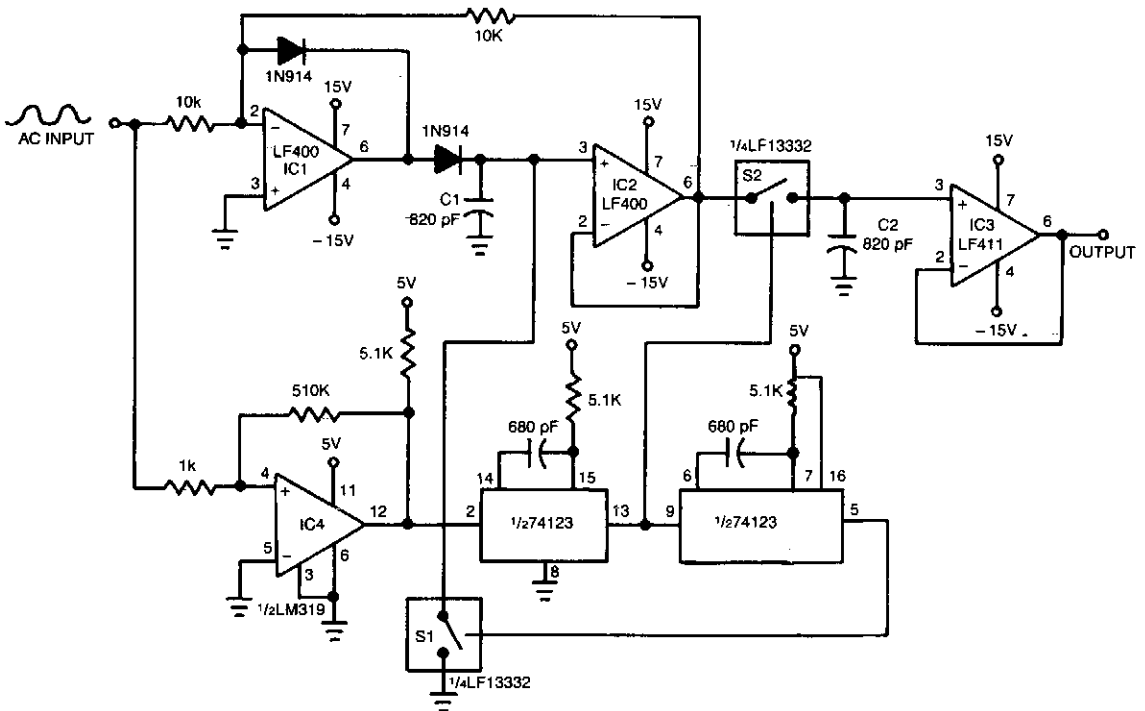
## Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|  |                                    |
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| Wide-Range Peak Detector                       | Precision Threshold Detector       |
| Schmitt Trigger                                | Out-Of-Bounds Pulse-Width Detector |
| Analog Peak Detector with Digital Hold         | Digital Frequency Detector         |
| 500-Hz Tone Detector                           | Missing-Pulse Detector             |
| Audio Decibel Level Detector with Meter Driver | Digital Peak Detector              |
| Precision Envelope Detector                    | High-Bandwidth Peak Detector       |
| Frequency-Boundary Detector                    | Wide-Bandwidth Peak Detector       |
| Low-Drift Peak Detector                        |                                    |
| Edge Detector                                  |                                    |
| Null Detector                                  |                                    |

## WIDE-RANGE PEAK DETECTOR

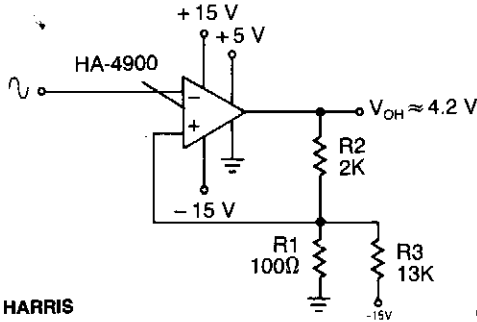


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Fig. 25-1

IC1 and IC2 form an inverting half-wave precision-rectifier/peak-detector circuit. Negative input-signal, swings with peaks larger than the voltage on C1, cause this capacitor to charge to the new peak voltage. The capacitor holds this voltage until a larger signal peak arrives. When the input swings high, comparator IC4 detects the zero crossing and triggers the one-shot multivibrator. The one shot closes FET switch S2, thereby causing C2 to charge to the peak voltage held on C1, during the previous half cycle. The second one shot then produces a pulse that causes FET switch S1 to discharge C1. If the next negative signal-input peak is different from the previous one, the circuit captures it and it appears at IC3's output during the next half cycle. The peak detector thus resets itself once every input-waveform cycle. Note that the zero crossings are necessary to trigger the switches; therefore, the circuit is usable only with ac signals.

## SCHMITT TRIGGER

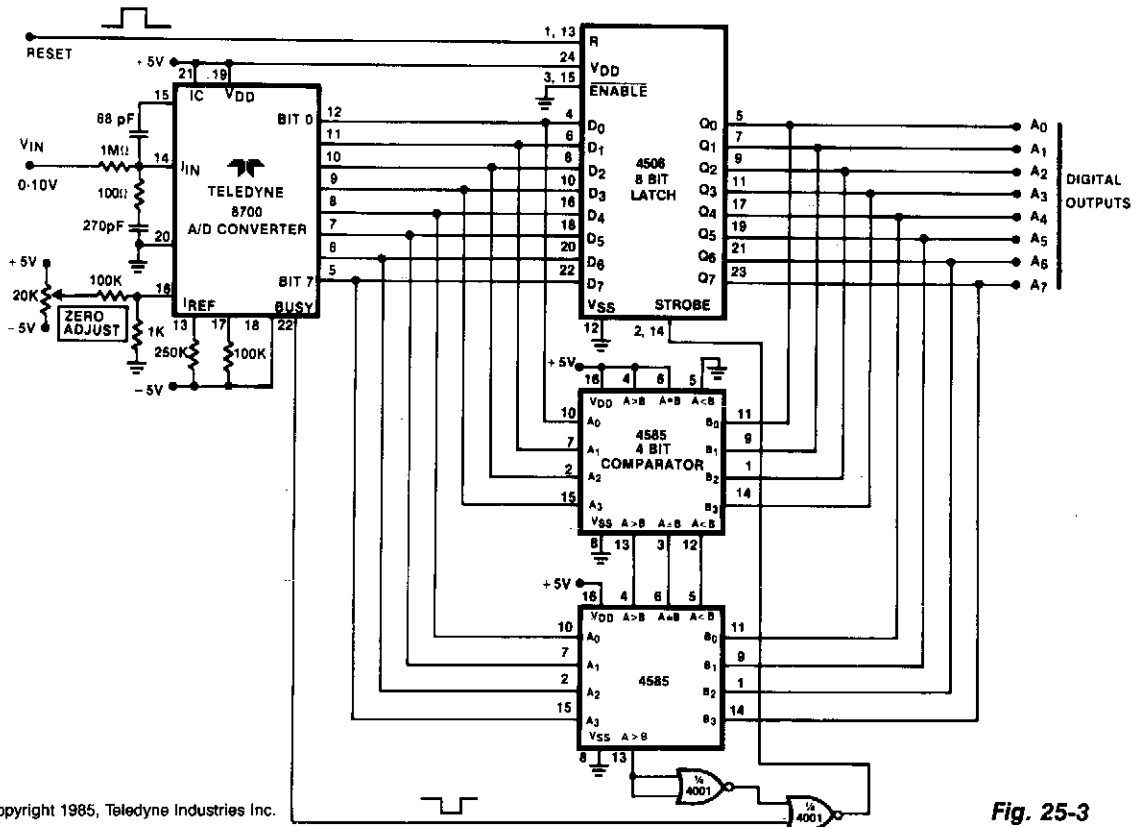


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Fig. 25-2

This circuit has a 100-mV hysteresis which can be used in applications where very fast transition times are required at the output, even though the signal input is very slow. The hysteresis loop also reduces false triggering because of noise in the input.

## ANALOG PEAK DETECTOR WITH DIGITAL HOLD

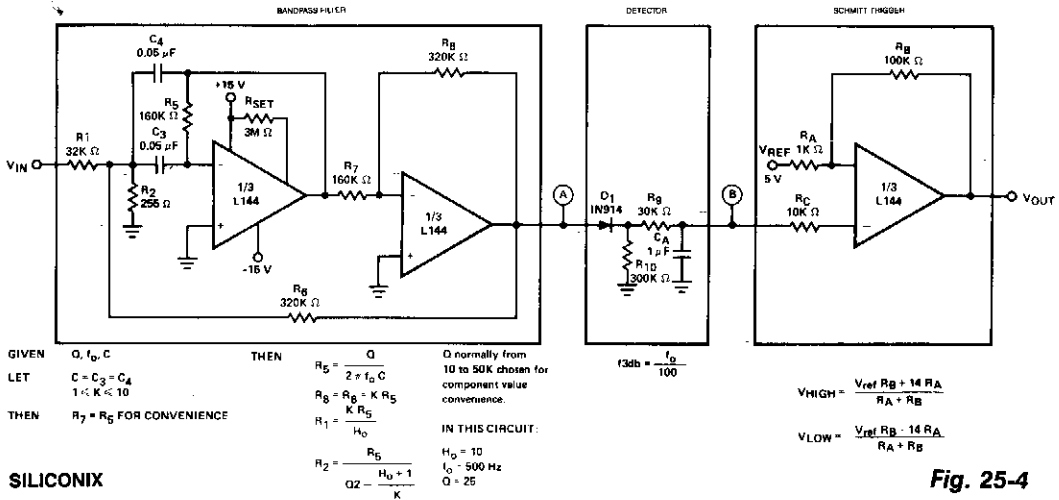


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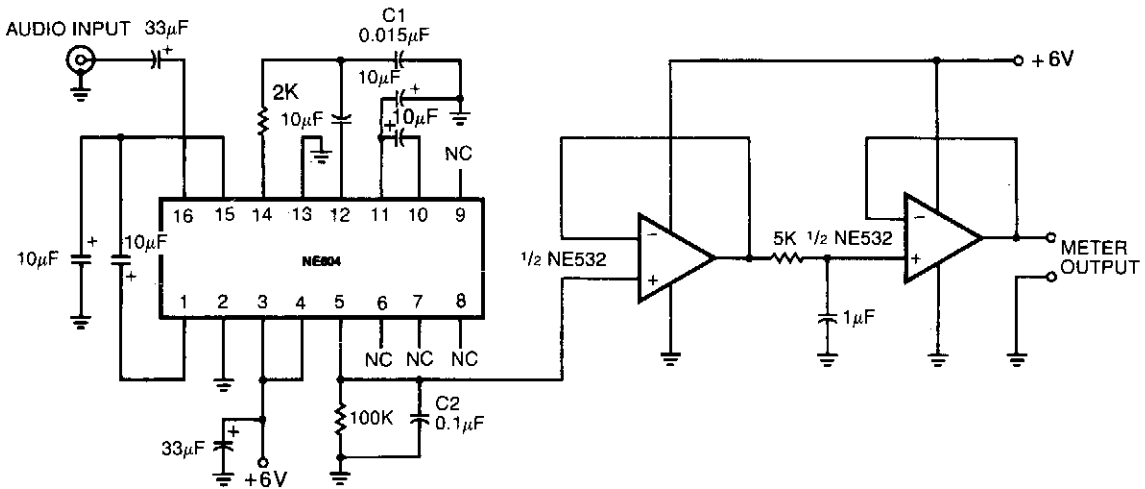
Fig. 25-3

Analog peak detection is accomplished by repeatedly measuring the input signal with an a/d converter and comparing the current reading with the previous reading. If the current reading is larger than the previous, the current reading is stored in the latch and becomes the new peak value. Since the peak is stored in a CMOS latch, the peak can be stored indefinitely.

## 500-HZ TONE DETECTOR



## AUDIO DECIBEL LEVEL DETECTOR WITH METER DRIVER

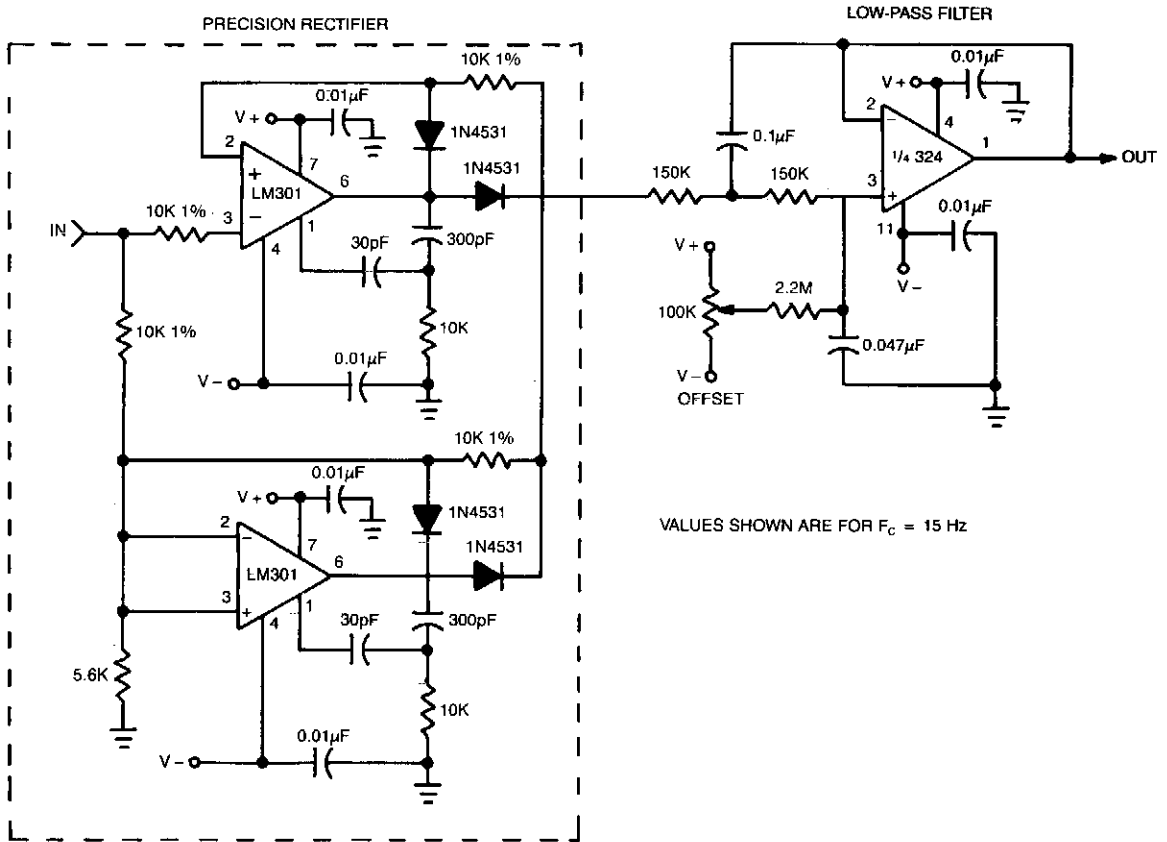


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**Fig. 25-5**

This circuit draws very little power, less than 5 mA with a single 6-V power supply, making it ideal for portable battery-operated equipment. The small size and low power consumption belie the 90-dB dynamic range and 10.5- $\mu\text{V}$  sensitivity. Dc output voltage proportional to the  $\log_{10}$  of the input signal level. Thus, a standard 0-5 voltmeter can be linearly calibrated in decibels over a single 80-dB range. The circuit is within 1.5-dB tolerance over the 80-dB range for audio frequencies from 100 Hz to 10 kHz. Higher audio levels can be measured by placing an attenuator ahead of the input capacitor.

## PRECISION ENVELOPE DETECTOR



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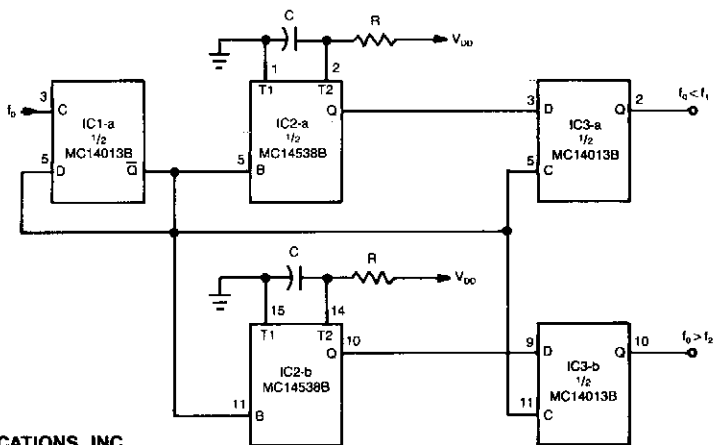
**Fig. 25-6**

This circuit is useful for signal-processing sonar data recorded on an instrumentation-quality analog tape recorder. The envelope detector utilizes ready available parts, and furnishes accuracy beyond 100 kHz. Two LM301 op amps connected as precision absolute-value circuits use 2-pole frequency compensation for increased slew rate. And one section of an LM324 quad op amp connected in a Butterworth LPF configuration subjects the rectifier's output to a low-pass filter.

$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi RC_1}$$

$$C_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) C_1$$

## FREQUENCY-BOUNDARY DETECTOR



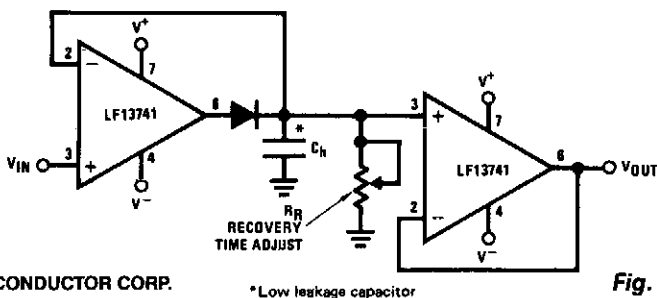
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Fig. 25-7

The circuit can be used to tell whether or not an input signal is within a certain frequency range. The device consists of three ICs, a dual monostable multivibrator, and two dual D-type flip-flops. The signal whose frequency is in question is fed to the clock input of one of the flip-flops. The  $Q$  output of that flip-flop (IC1a) is cross coupled to its data input so that it acts like a divide-by-two counter. The trailing edge of the  $Q$  output is used to trigger the one shots formed by IC2. The upper- and lower-frequency boundaries are determined by the two sections of IC2; the dual precision monostable multivibrator and their external  $rc$  networks. The upper-frequency boundary,  $f_1$ , is set by the output of IC2a, and the lower-frequency boundary,  $f_2$ , is set by the output of IC2b.

The frequency of the input to the circuit can be anywhere from dc to 100 kHz. The states of the outputs of IC2, which determine the upper- and lower-frequency boundaries, are latched by IC3a and IC3b respectively. The output of IC3a will be high only when the input frequency is less than that of the output of IC2a,  $f_1$ . The output of IC3b will be high only when the frequency of the input is greater than that of the output of IC2b,  $f_2$ .

## LOW-DRIFT PEAK DETECTOR



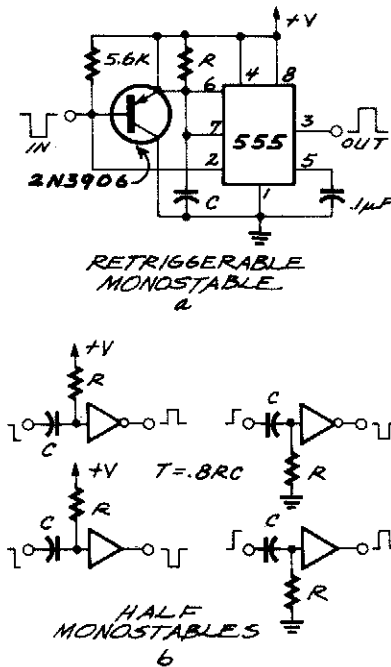
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\*Low leakage capacitor

Fig. 25-8

This circuit uses op amp U1 to compensate for the offset in peak detector diode D1. Across  $C_h$  is the exact peak voltage; U2 is used as a voltage follower to read this voltage.

## EDGE DETECTOR



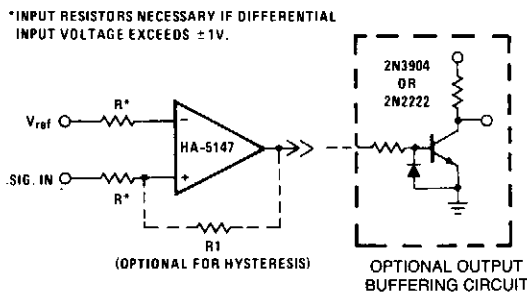
The 555 is a monostable that *wants* a negative-going trigger. If the pulse you're feeding it with is positive-going, you can run it through an inverter made up of either an inverting gate or, if you're tight on space, a single transistor. Both ways are shown. The circuits shown in Fig. 25-9b are edge detectors as well, and are usually referred to as half monostables, since they can't be used in every application. The width of the output pulse is determined by the RC value, but there are a few rules governing their use:

- The input pulse has to be wider than the output pulse
- The input pulse can't be glitchy
- The circuit can't be retriggered faster than the RC time

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Fig. 25-9

## PRECISION THRESHOLD DETECTOR



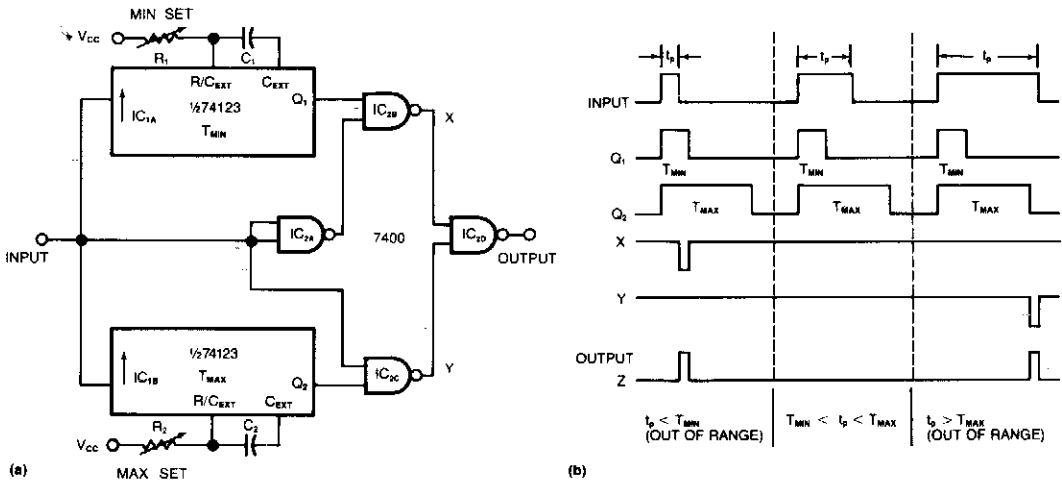
This circuit requires low noise, low and stable offset voltages, high open loop gain, and high speed. These requirements are met by the HA-5147. The standard variations of this circuit can easily be implemented using the HA-5147. For example, hysteresis can be generated by adding R1 to provide small amounts of positive feedback. The circuit becomes a pulse width modulator if V<sub>ref</sub> and the input signal are left to vary. Although the output drive capability of this device is excellent, the optional buffering circuit can be used to drive heavier loads, preventing loading effects on the amplifier.

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Fig. 25-10



## OUT-OF-BOUNDS PULSE-WIDTH DETECTOR

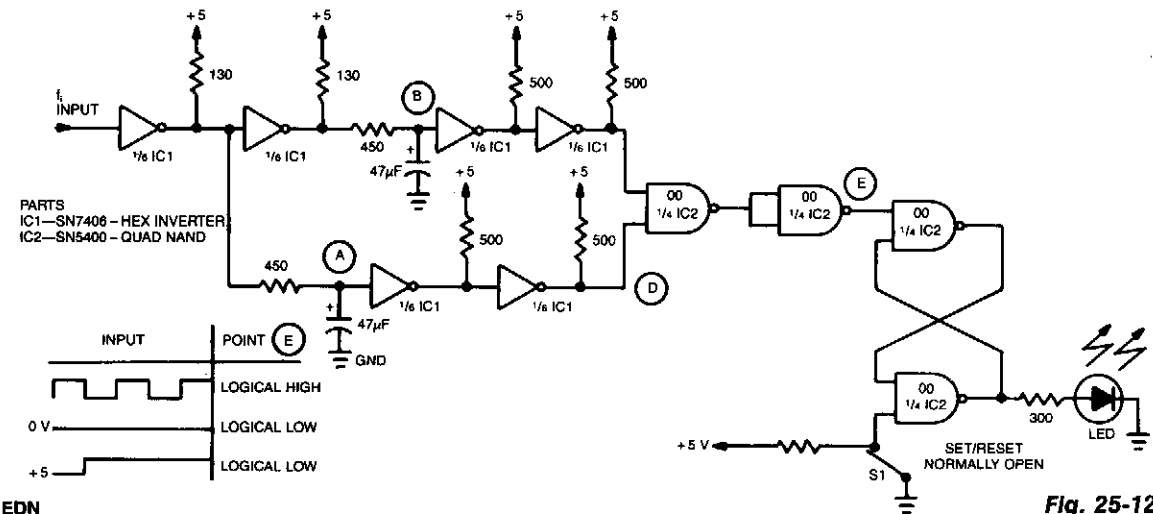


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Fig. 25-11

Requiring only two ICs to monitor a train of positive pulses, this circuit produces a single positive output pulse for each input pulse whose duration is either too long or too short. You specify the minimum and maximum limits by adjusting the trimming potentiometers, R1 and R2. You can set the value of the acceptable pulse width from approximately 50 ns to 10  $\mu$ s, for a 74123 monostable multivibrator. The leading edge of an input pulse triggers one shots IC1A and IC1B as you can see from the timing diagram. Each NAND-gate output is high unless either or both inputs are low, so outputs X and Y are high unless the circuit encounters an out-of-range pulse. IC2D then gates a negative pulse from IC2B or IC2C to produce the circuit's positive output pulse.

## DIGITAL FREQUENCY DETECTOR



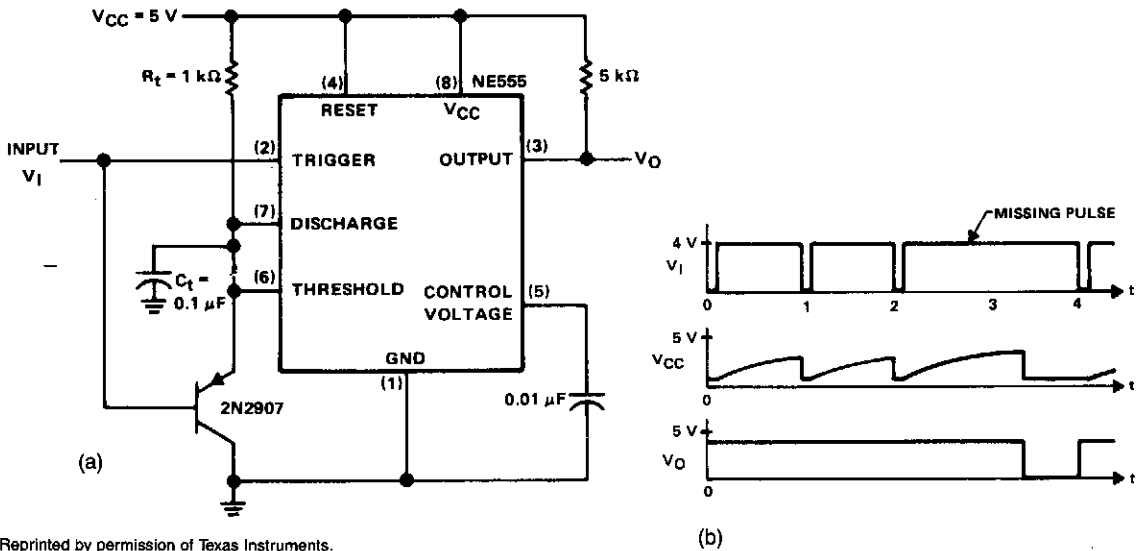
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Fig. 25-12

## DIGITAL FREQUENCY DETECTOR (Cont.)

A simple inverter and NAND gate can be connected to yield a highly compact and reliable digital frequency detector. This circuit can detect frequencies up to 3 MHz with 50% duty cycles. When a frequency,  $f_i$ , appears at the input, points A and B detect a logical high dc level. Thereupon point E increases the latch sets and the LED lights. If the input frequency is absent and if the voltage is either at a constant high or low level, points A and B will be complementary and point E will decrease. This will reset the latch and extinguish the LED.

### MISSING-PULSE DETECTOR



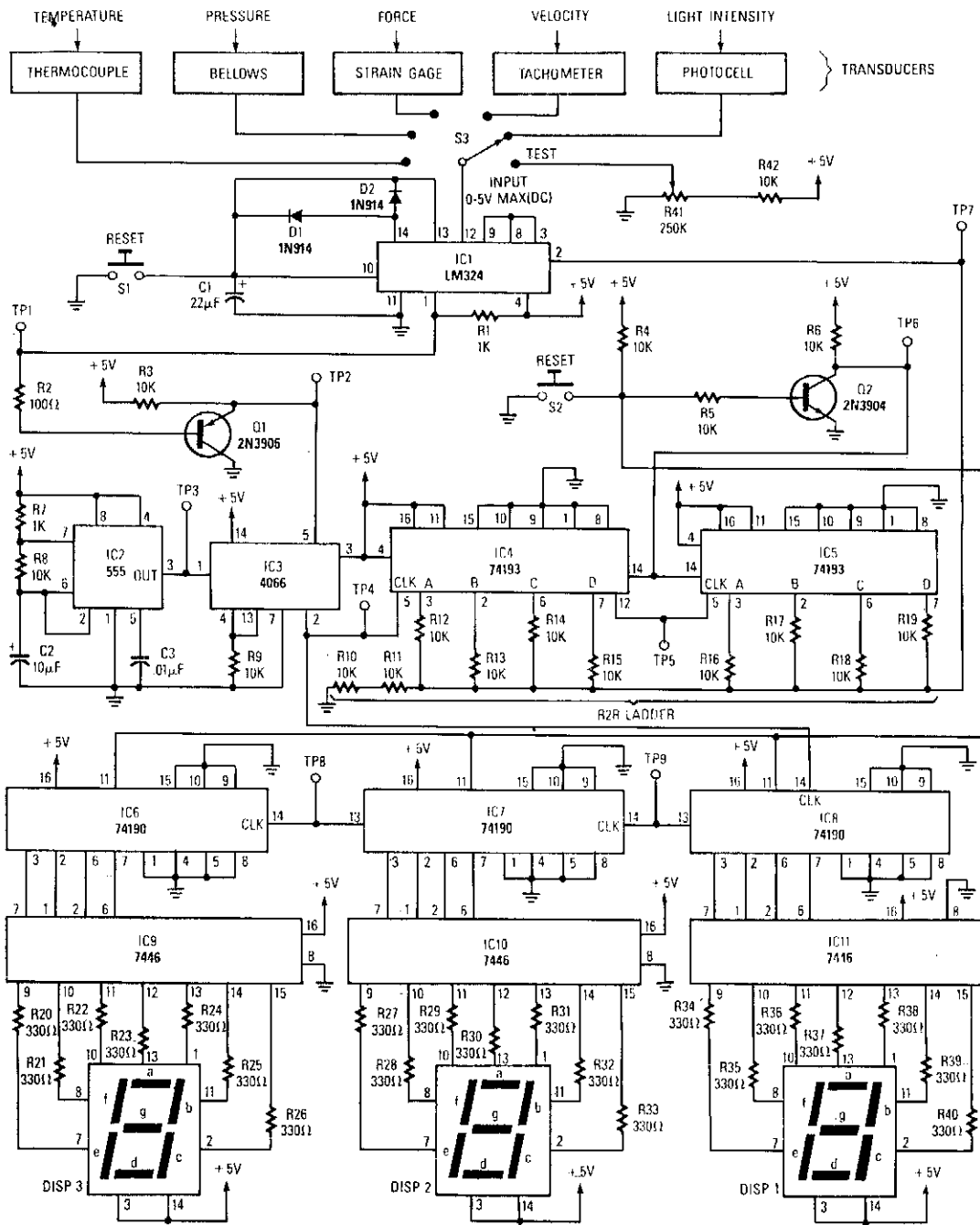
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Fig. 25-13

This circuit will detect a missing pulse or abnormally long spacing between consecutive pulses in a train of pulses. The timer is connected in the monostable mode. The time delay should be set slightly longer than the timing of the input pulses. The timing interval of the monostable circuit is continuously retriggered by the input pulse train,  $V_I$ . The pulse spacing is less than the timing interval, which prevents  $V_C$  from rising high enough to end the timing cycle. A longer pulse spacing, a missing pulse, or a terminated pulse train will permit the timing interval to be completed. This will generate an output pulse,  $V_O$  as illustrated in Fig. 25-3b. The output remains high on pin 3 until a missing pulse is detected at which time the output decreases.

The NE555 monostable circuit should be running slightly slower, lower in frequency, than the frequency to be analyzed. Also, the input cannot be more than twice this free-running frequency or it would retrigger before the timeout and the output would remain in the low state continuously. The circuit operates in the monostable mode at about 8 kHz, so pulse trains of 8 to 16 kHz can be observed.

# DIGITAL PEAK DETECTOR



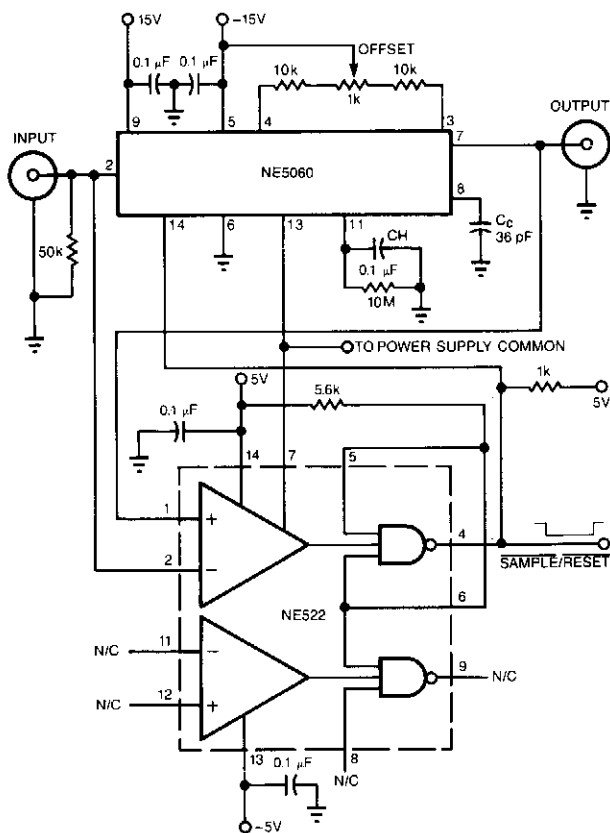
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**Fig. 25-14**

## DIGITAL PEAK DETECTOR CONT.

The peak detector tracks and holds, using the charge-storing ability of a capacitor, the highest output voltage from a transducer. Initially, the voltage on the inverting input of the comparator is at ground level. As a small voltage (0–5 V) is captured by the peak detector and presented to the comparator's noninverting input, the output will swing high, which asserts the bilateral switch; clock pulses now pass through the switch to clock both the BCD and binary counters. The outputs of the binary counters are connected to an R2R ladder network, which functions as a digital-to-analog converter. As the binary count increases, the R2R ladder voltage also increases until it reaches a point slightly above the voltage of the peak detector; at that instant, the comparator output swings low, which disables the bilateral switch and stops the counters. The number displayed on the 7-segment LED's will represent a value equivalent to the transducer's output.

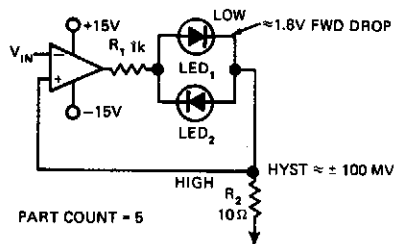
## HIGH-BANDWIDTH PEAK DETECTOR



The high-speed peak detector uses a highly accurate, fast s/h amplifier controlled by a high-speed comparator. The s/h amplifier holds the peak voltage, until the comparator switches the amp to its sample mode, to capture a new, higher voltage level. The circuit handles all common-wave shapes and exhibits 5% accuracy from 50 Hz to 2 MHz.

The comparator's output decreases when the input signal exceeds the value of the currently held output. This transition puts the s/h amplifier into sample mode. Once the output reaches the value of the input, or the input signal falls below the output's level, the comparator's output increases; the high output brings the s/h amplifier back to the hold mode, thereby holding the peak value of the input signal. Reset the circuit by lowering the value of pin 4 of the NE522 comparator, which in turn allows the NE5060 s/h amplifier to acquire the input. The NE522 comparator has an open-collector output.

## NULL DETECTOR

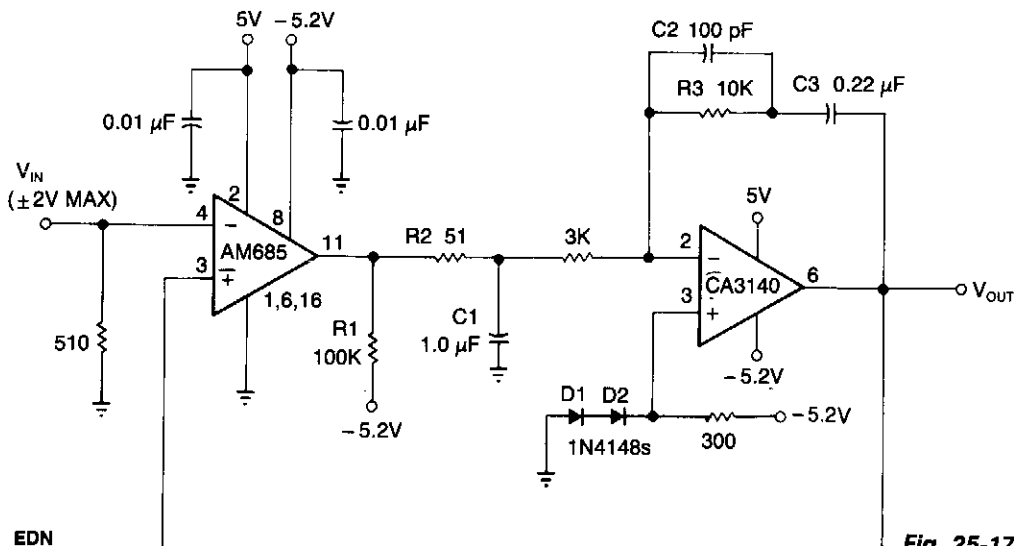


In this indicating comparator circuit,  $R_2$  sets the hysteresis. If the 741 saturates at  $\pm 12$  V, the current in  $R_1$  will be approximately  $\pm 10$  mA if 0.1 V hysteresis is desired. Then  $0.1 \text{ V}/10 \text{ mA} = 10\Omega = R_2$ .

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Fig. 25-16

## WIDE-BANDWIDTH PEAK DETECTOR



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Fig. 25-17

This circuit can detect the positive peaks for signal frequencies higher than 5 MHz. It yields  $\pm 1\%$  accuracy for 400 mV to 4 V pk-pk signal amplitudes on sine, square, and triangular waveforms. The AM685 comparator output increases whenever  $V_{IN}$  is a greater negative voltage than  $V_{OUT}$ ; the high comparator output, in turn, charges  $C_1$  in a positive direction. The CA3140 op amp amplifies the  $C_1$  voltage with respect to the ECL-switching-threshold voltage ( $-1.3$  V) developed by diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ . For repetitive waveforms, each cycle boosts  $V_{OUT}$  until it equals the peak input value. The peak-detection process is aided by the comparator's open-emitter output, which allows  $C_1$  to charge rapidly through  $R_2$ , but to discharge slowly through  $R_2$  and  $R_1$ . Reducing the value of  $C_1$  shortens system-response times. Although the circuit can't detect negative-going peaks, it can be modified to measure the pk-pk value of bipolar signals that are symmetric about ground. To do so, divide  $V_{OUT}$  by 2 using two 1-K $\Omega$  resistors and feed the comparator  $V_{OUT}/2$  rather than  $V_{OUT}$ .

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## Digital-to-Analog Converters

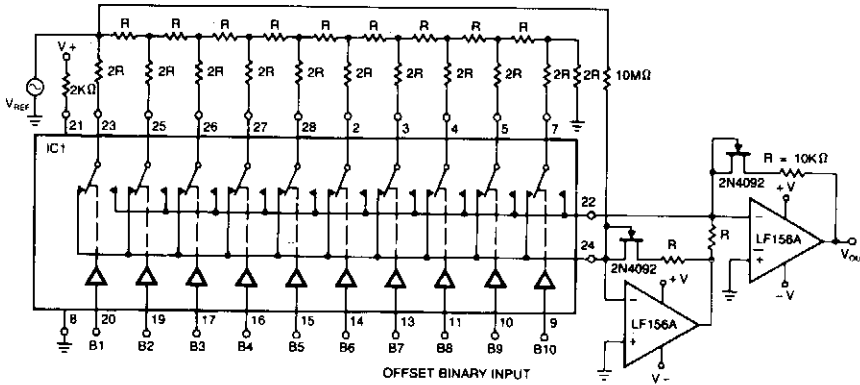
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Digital-to-Analog Converters  
Four-Channel D/A Output Amplifier  
12-Bit Binary 2s Complement D/A  
Conversion System  
9-Bit CMOS D/A Converter  
Multiplying D/A Converter  
Positive Peak Detector

## DIGITAL-TO-ANALOG CONVERTERS

10 Bit, 4 Quadrant Multiplying DAC  
(Offset Binary Coding)



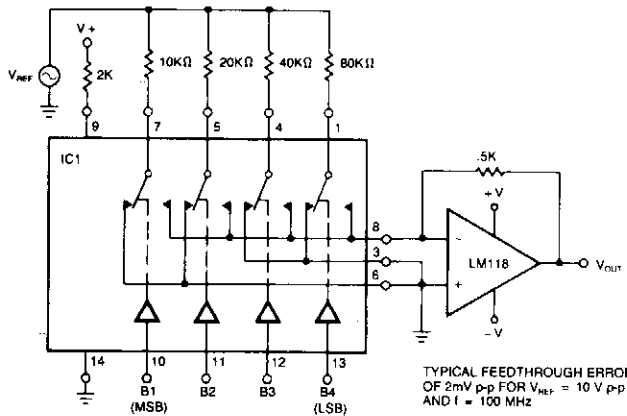
IC1: use five of either DG403, DG413, or DG423

Bipolar (Offset Binary)\* Operation

| DIGITAL INPUT       | ANALOG OUTPUT           |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $-V_{REF} (1 - 2^{-9})$ |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $-V_{REF} (2^{-9})$     |
| 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 0                       |
| 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | $V_{REF} (2^{-9})$      |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | $V_{REF} (1 - 2^{-9})$  |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | $V_{REF}$               |

NOTE: 1 LSB =  $2^{-9} V_{REF}$   
\* Complementing B1 (MSB) will give 2's complement coding.

4 Bit Multiplying Current Switch D/A



IC1: use two of either DG403, DG413, or DG423

TYPICAL FEEDTHROUGH ERROR OF 2mV p-p FOR  $V_{REF} = 10V$  p-p AND  $f = 100$  MHz

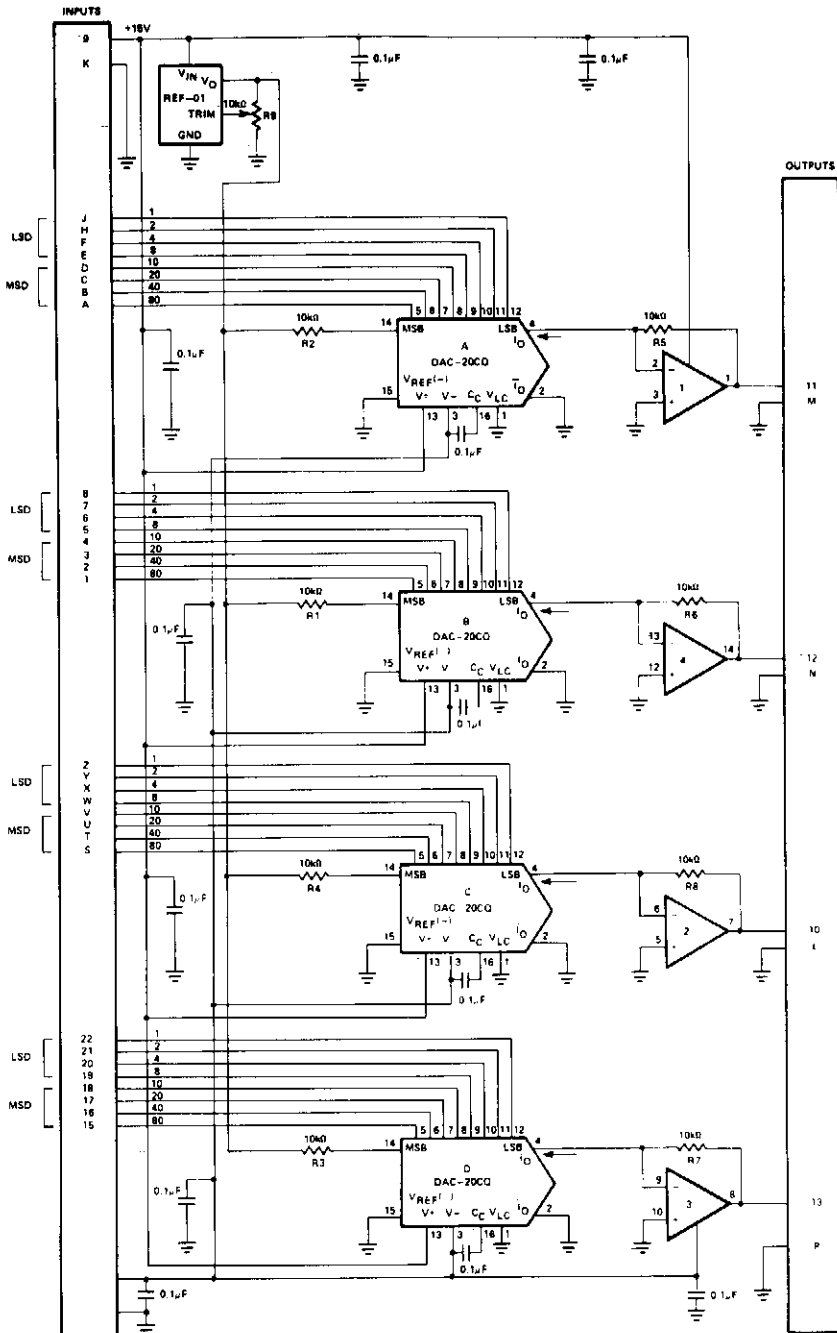
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**Fig. 26-1**

The following applications circuits are intended to illustrate the following points:

- A 2-KΩ resistor should be in series with V+ to limit supply current with negative ringing of the bit inputs
- Temperature compensation for  $R_{DS(on)}$  can be provided in the feedback path of the op amp
- Bipolar reference voltages can be used in all configurations

# FOUR-CHANNEL D/A OUTPUT AMPLIFIER

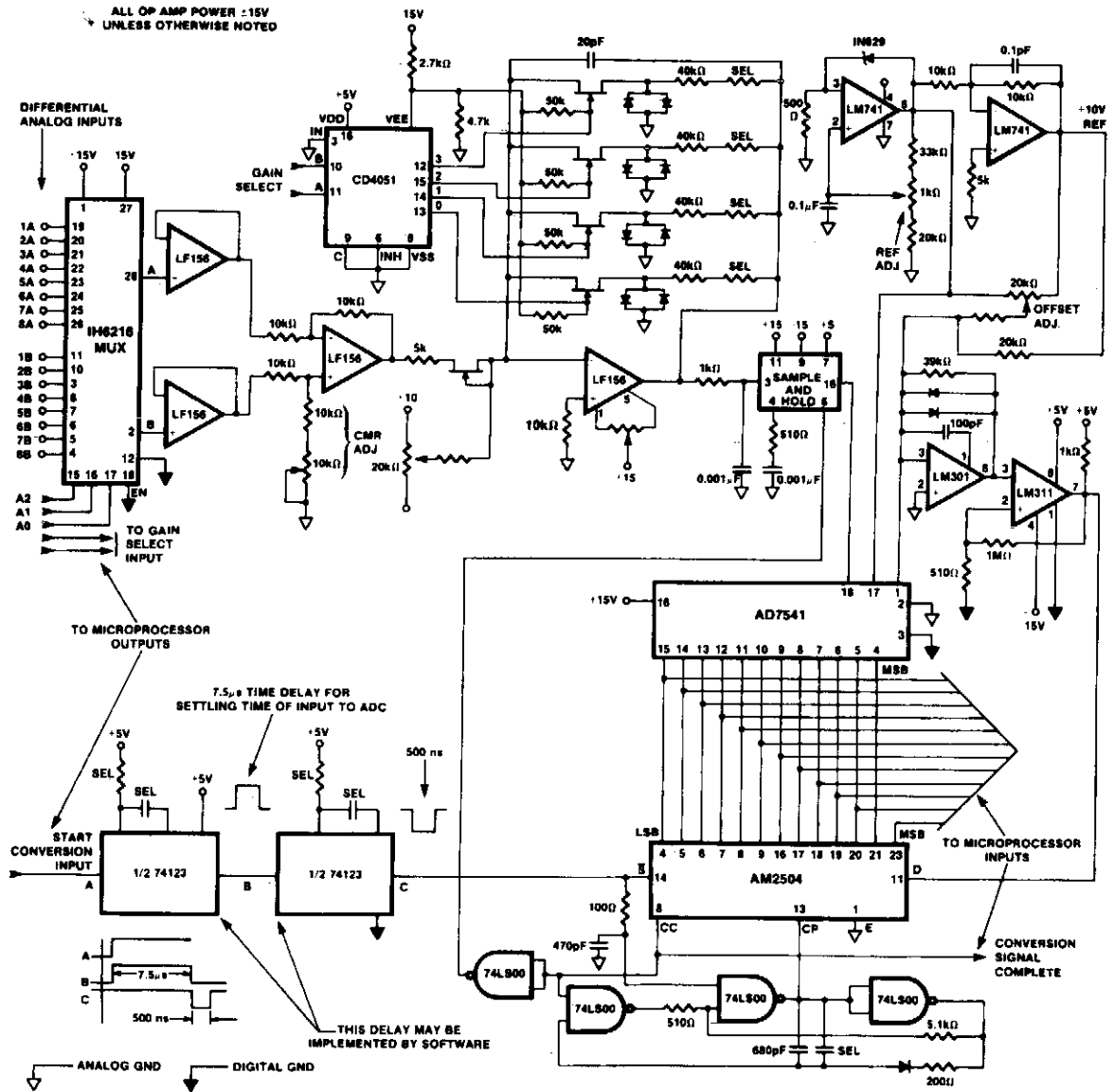


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Fig. 26-2



## 12-BIT BINARY 2<sup>s</sup> COMPLEMENT D/A CONVERSION SYSTEM

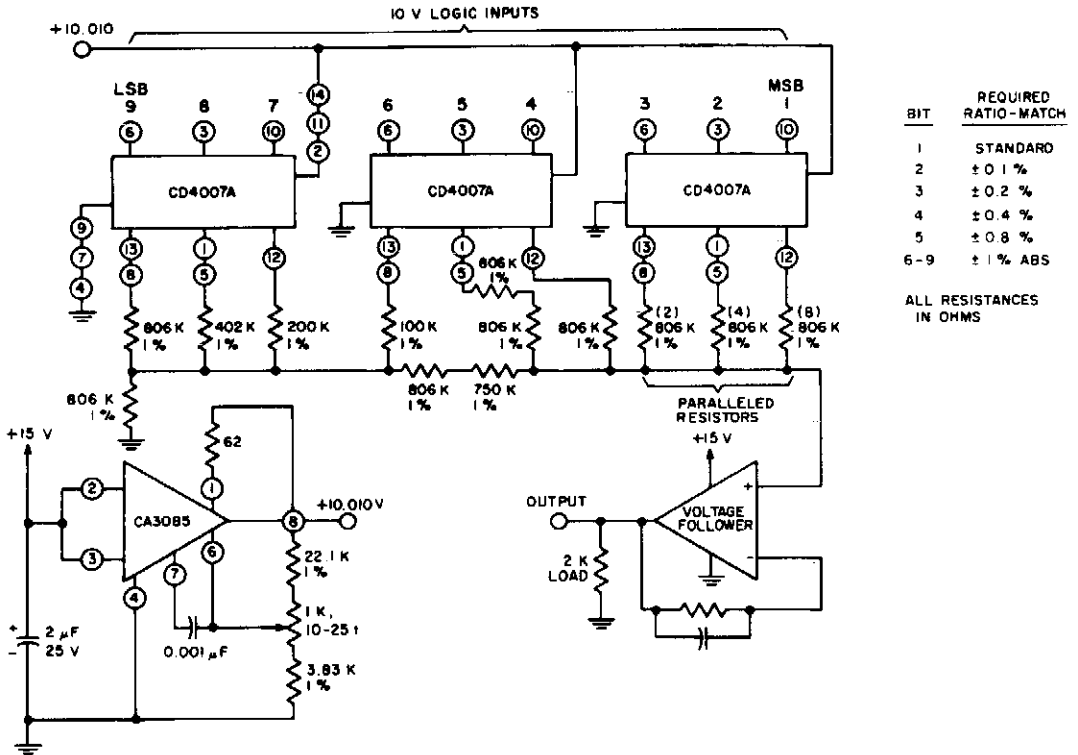


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Fig. 26-3

The front end of the DAC is configured differentially using dual eight-input IC multiplexer 1H6216 and three LM156 op amps. Following the differential amplifier is the programmable gain stage discussed earlier, with a low-pass filter on the output feeding the IH5110 sample and hold amplifier. The output of the IH5110 is connected to the comparator input, - input LM301, through the internal 10-KΩ feedback resistor of the 7541 multiplying d/a converter. The AD7541, along with a ±10-V reference and successive approximation logic, make up the 2's complement a/d converter.

## 9-BIT CMOS D/A CONVERTER

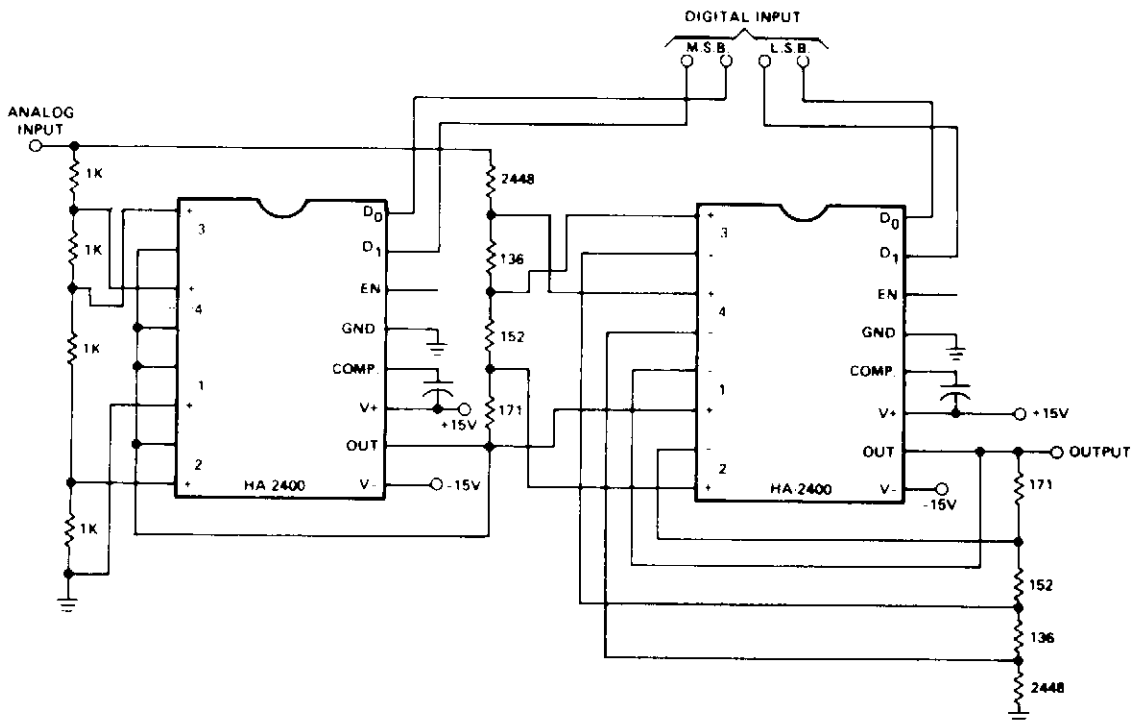


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Fig. 26-4

Three CD4007A IC packages perform the switch function using a 10-V logic level. A single 15-V supply provides a positive bus for the follower amplifier and feeds the CA3085 voltage regulator. The scale adjust function is provided by the regulator output control, which is set to a nominal 10 V in this system. The line-voltage regulation (approximately 0.2%) permits 9-bit accuracy to be maintained with a variation of several volts in the supply. System power consumption ranges between 70 and 200 mW; a major portion is dissipated in the load resistor and op amp. The regulated supply provides a maximum current of 440  $\mu$ A of which 370  $\mu$ A flows through the scale adjusting. The resistor ladder is composed of 1% tolerance metal-oxide film resistors. The ratio match between resistance values is in the order of 2%. The follower amplifier has the offset adjustment nulled at approximately a 1 V output level.

## MULTIPLYING D/A CONVERTER



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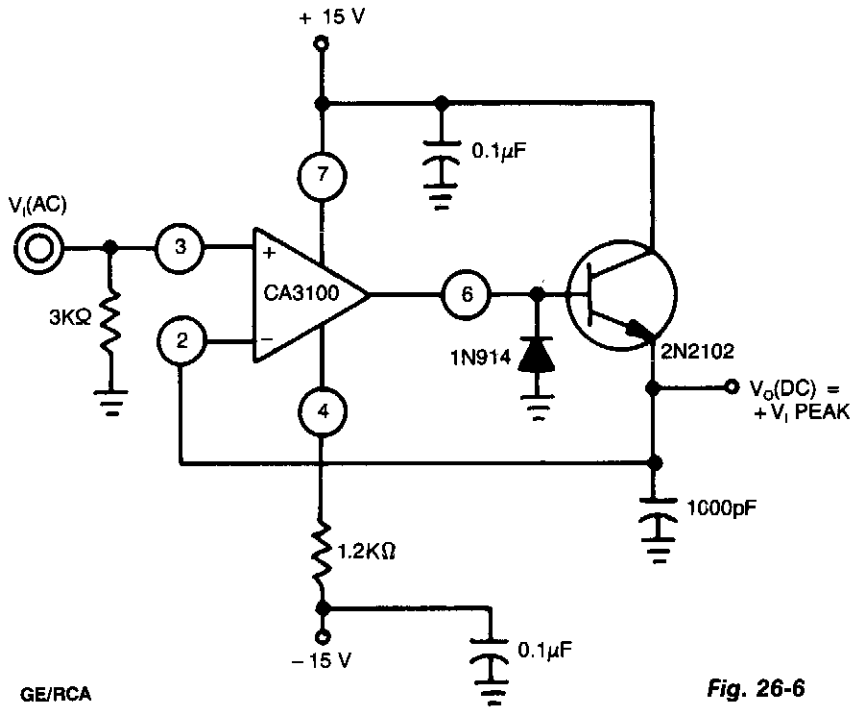
Fig. 26-5

The circuit performs the function:

$$V_{\text{OUT}} = V_{\text{IN}} \times \frac{N}{16}$$

where  $N$  is the binary number from 0 to 15 formed by the digital input. If the analog input is a fixed dc reference, the circuit is a conventional 4-bit D to ac signal, in which case the output is the product of the analog signal and the digital signal. The circuit on the left is a programmable attenuator with weights of 0,  $1/4$ ,  $1/2$ , or  $3/4$ . The circuit on the right is a noninverting adder, which adds weights to the first output of 0,  $1/16$ ,  $1/8$ , or  $3/16$ . If four quadrant multiplication is required, place a phase selector circuit in series with either the analog input or output. The  $D_0$  input of that stage becomes the + or - sign bit of the digital input.

## POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR



**Fig. 26-6**

This peak detector uses a CA3100 BiMOS op amp as a wide-band noninverting amplifier to provide essentially constant gain for a wide range of input frequencies. The 1N914 clips the negative half of  $V_{IN}$  ( $R_4/R_3$ ) ( $R_5$ ). A 500- $\mu$ A load current is constant for all load values and the output reflects only positive input peaks.

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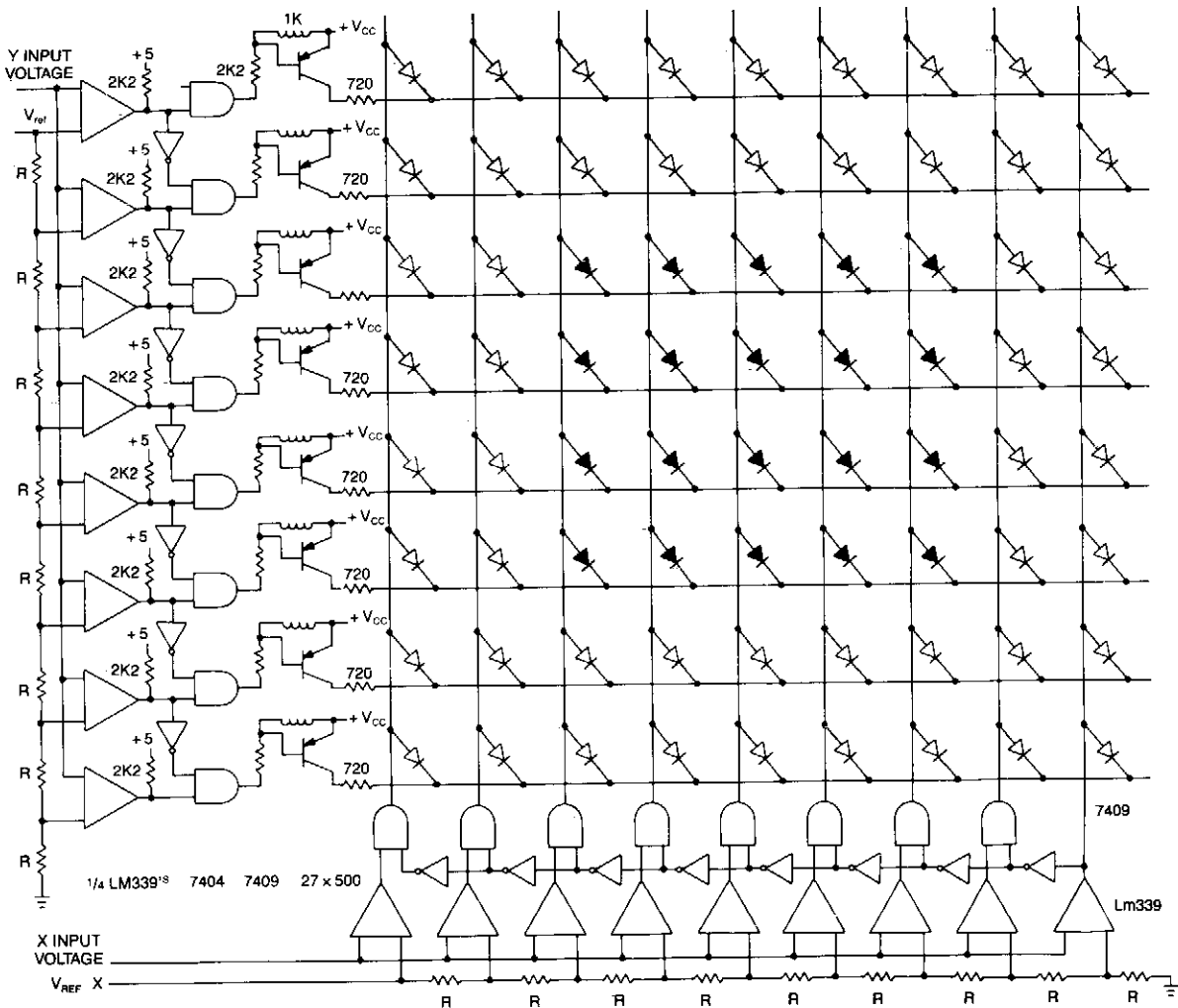
## Display Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Two-Variable LED Matrix Display

## TWO-VARIABLE LED MATRIX DISPLAY



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Fig. 27-1

This matrix can show the values of two variables, for example, frequency and voltage. The display is a graph made from a matrix of LEDs. The LEDs on each axis are color coded, red for *out of tolerance* and green for *in*, forming a red band around the inner green rectangle. The two input voltages proportional to the functions being measured are presented to the two columns of comparators. The other comparator input is a reference voltage derived from resistor ladder  $R_1$  to  $R_x$ . The output of each row of comparators is processed with an inverted and an AND gate to allow only one active output for any input value. The LED at the intersection of the active drives shows the relationship of the two inputs. The advantage of this display is the ease in reading, modification, and also its small size. All comparators are LM339 quads.

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## Drive Circuits

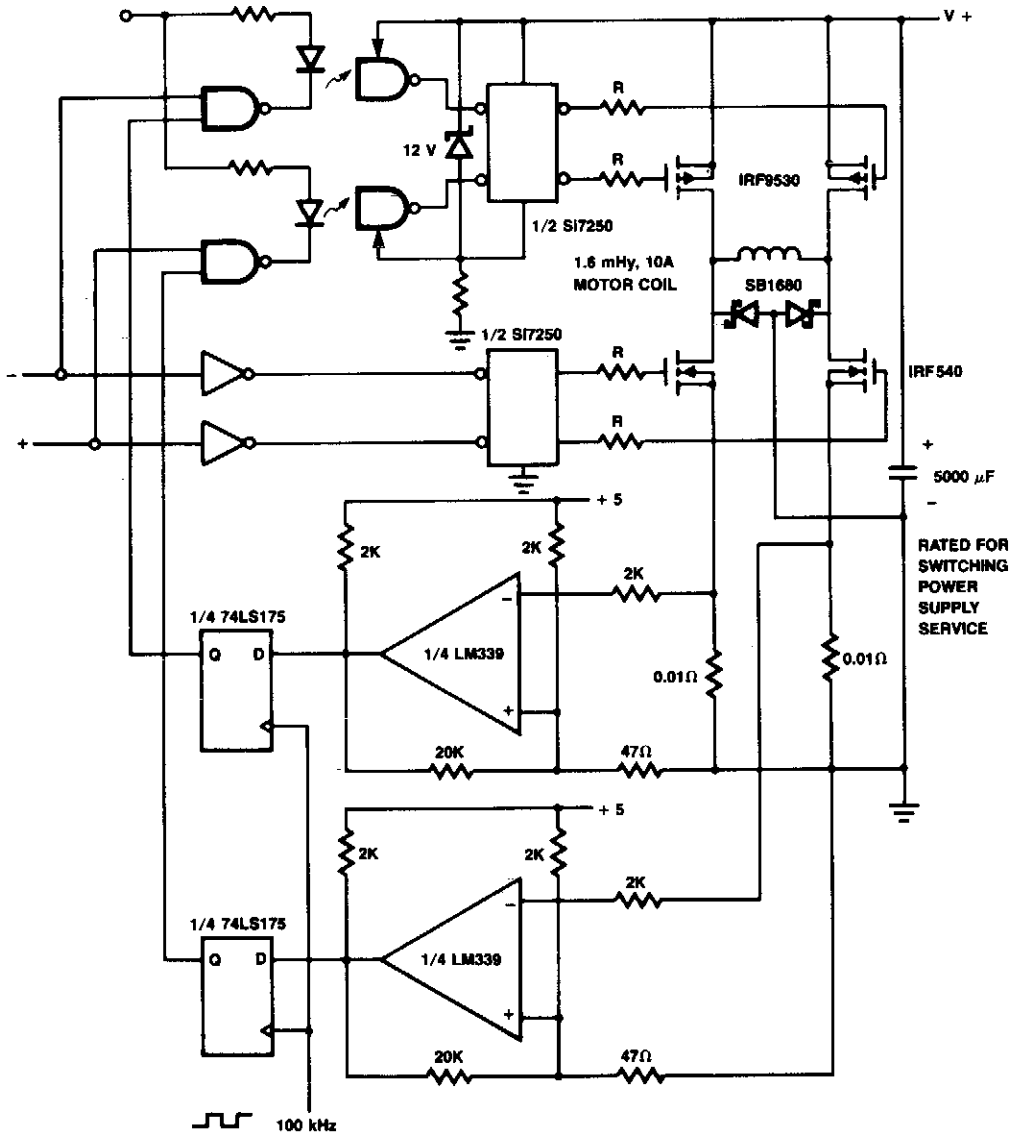
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Practical Current-Limiting Coil Driver  
Line-Synchronized Driver  
Low-Power RS-232C Driver  
Totem-Pole Driver with Bootstrapping

## PRACTICAL CURRENT-LIMITING COIL DRIVER

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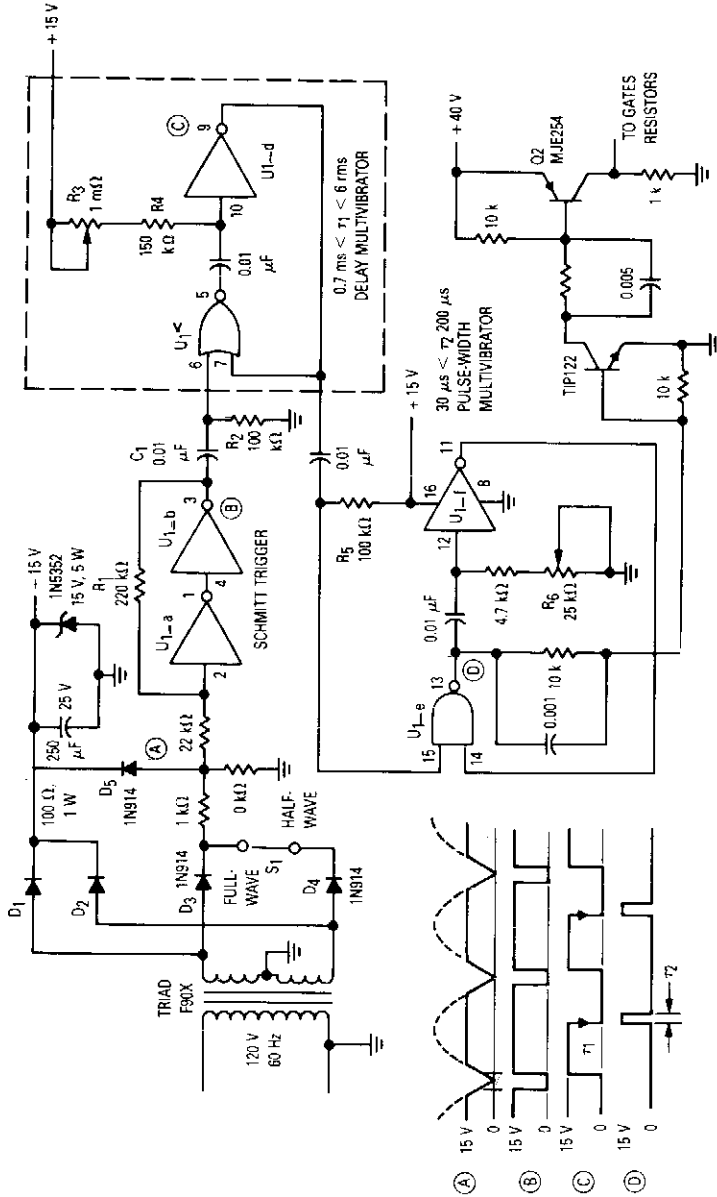
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Fig. 28-1

The p-channel devices are switched off by current sensors when the coil current reaches 10 A. The operation is similar to that of a switching-type power supply. The Schottky diodes and resistors are for spike protection.



# LINE-SYNCHRONIZED DRIVER



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Fig. 28-2

The gate drive that phase controls the four parallel SCRs is accomplished with complementary MOS hex gate MC14572 and two bipolar transistors. This adjustable line-synchronized driver permits SCR conduction from near zero to 180 degrees. A Schmitt trigger clocks a delay monostable multivibrator that is followed by a pulse-width monostable multivibrator. Line synchronization is achieved through the half-wave section of the secondary winding of the full-wave, center-tapped transformer. This winding also supplies power to the circuit through rectifiers D1 and D2.



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## Fiber Optics Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Fiber Optic Transmitter  
Digital Fiber Optic Receiver  
50-Mb/s Fiber Optic LED Driver  
Fiber Optic Link  
Low-Cost 100-M Baud Fiber Optic Receiver  
50-Mb/s Fiber Optic Receiver

## FIBER OPTIC TRANSMITTER

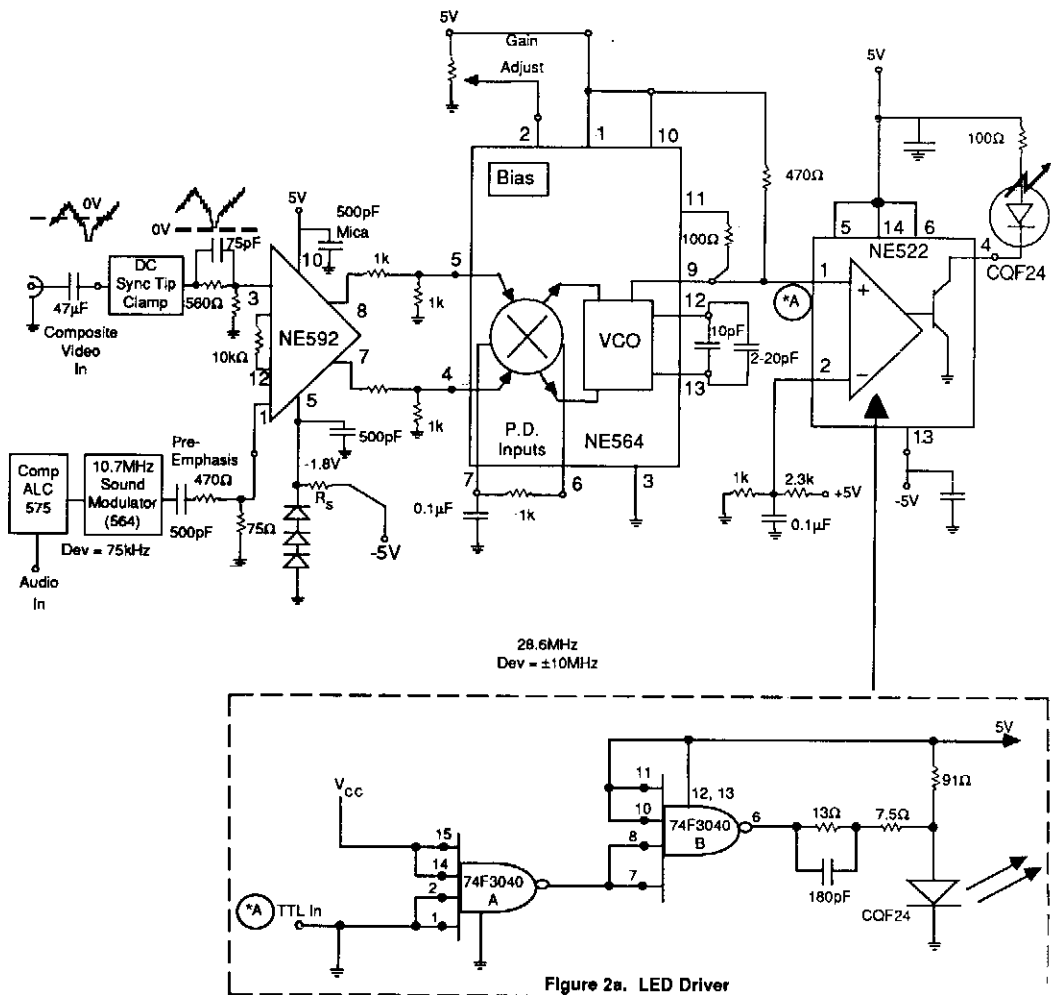


Figure 2a. LED Driver

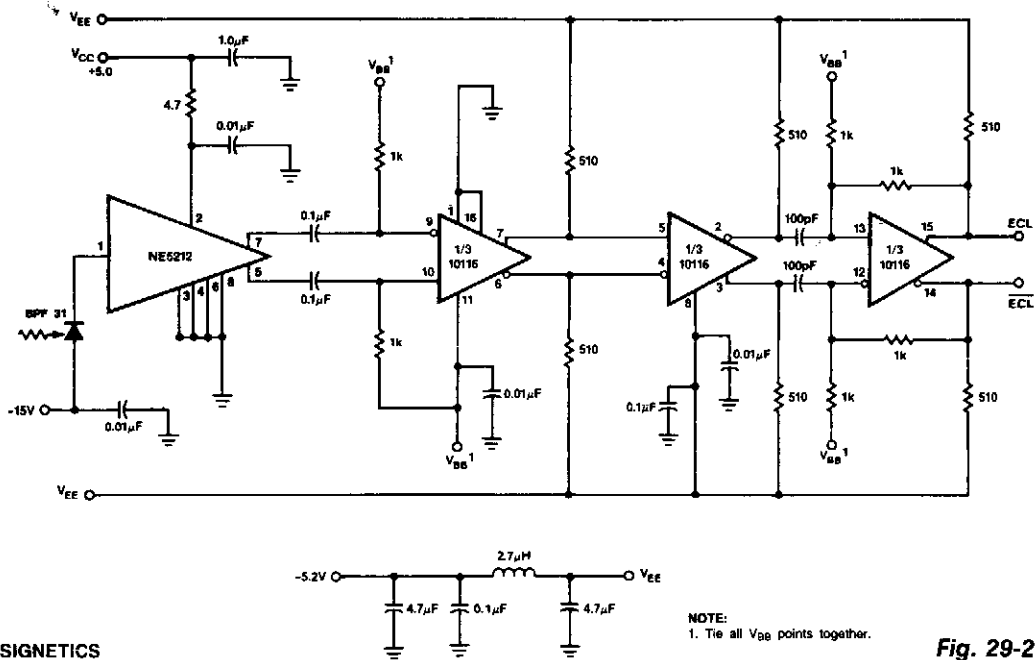
\* Note: An alternate LED driver which uses the 74F3040 line driver was incorporated in this particular application example. The 74F3040 has a higher current rating, but not the variable threshold capabilities of the NE522. The LED diode is operated in the saturated on-off mode for best signal to noise.

SIGNETICS

Fig. 29-1

This receiver circuit consists of wideband differential amplifier NE592, VCO NE564 and LED driver NE522—the high-speed comparator. The video signal is ac coupled into the modulator preamplifier and followed by a sync tip clamp to provide dc restoration on the composite video signal and to prevent variation of modulation deviation with varying picture content. A video signal level of 250 to 300 mV peak is required to maintain optimum picture modulation. Frequency compensation (preemphasis) is inserted in the form of a passive rc lead network at the input to the NE592 differential amplifier. The main FM modulator consists of an NE564 used only as a linear wideband VCO, but the other sections of the device are not used. Differential dc coupling to the VCO terminals is attained via the loop filter terminals, pins 4 and 5.

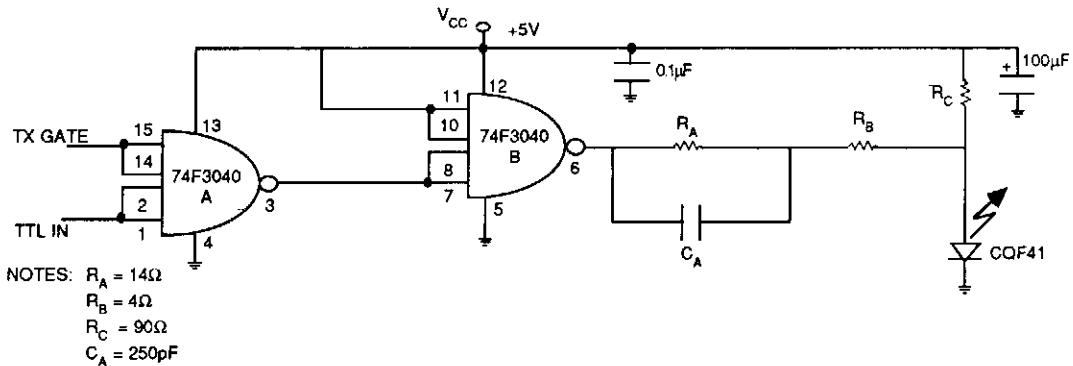
## DIGITAL FIBER OPTIC RECEIVER



**Fig. 29-2**

This receiver uses the NE5212, the Signetics 10116 ECL line receiver, and the Phillips/Amprex BPF31 pin diode. The circuit is a capacitor-coupled receiver and utilizes positive feedback in the last stage to provide the hysteresis. The amount of hysteresis can be tailored to the individual application by changing the values of the feedback resistors to maintain the desired balance between noise immunity and sensitivity. At room temperature, the circuit operates at 50-M baud with a BER of  $10E-10$  and over the automotive temperature range at 40-M baud with a BER of  $10E-9$ . Higher speed experimental diodes have been used to operate this circuit at 220-M baud with a BER of  $10E-10$ .

## 50-Mb/s FIBER OPTIC LED DRIVER



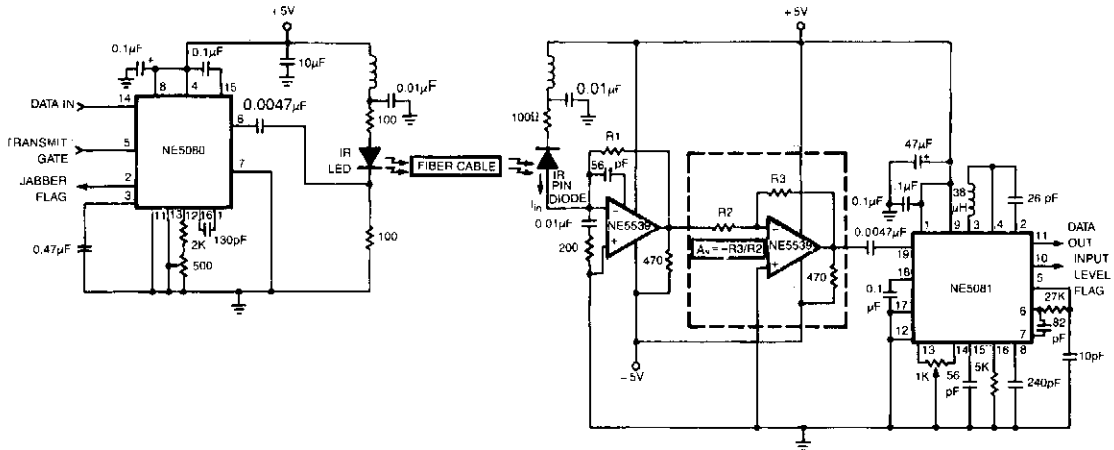
**SIGNETICS**

**Fig. 29-3**

## 50-Mb/s FIBER OPTIC LED DRIVER (Cont.)

The pull-up transistor of the totem-pole output is used to turn on the LED and the pull-down transistor is used to turn off the LED. The lower impedance and higher current handling capability of the saturated pull-down transistor is used as an effective method of transferring the charge from the LED's anode to ground as its dynamic resistance increases during turn-off. The slightly higher output impedance of the pull-up stage ensures that the LED is not over peaked during the less difficult turn-on transition. This asymmetric current handling capability of the output stage with its variable impedance substantially reduces the pulse-width distortion and long-tailed response. As the signal propagates through two NAND gates, each transition passes through the high-to-low and low-to-high transition once, normalizing the total propagation delay through the circuit.

### FIBER OPTIC LINK



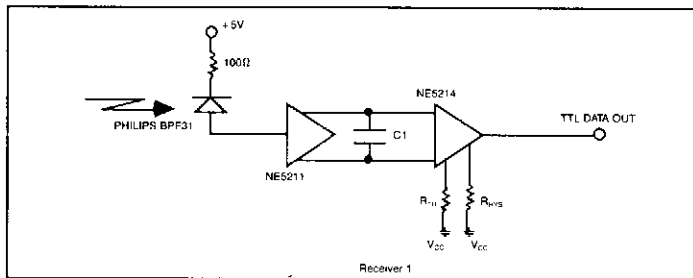
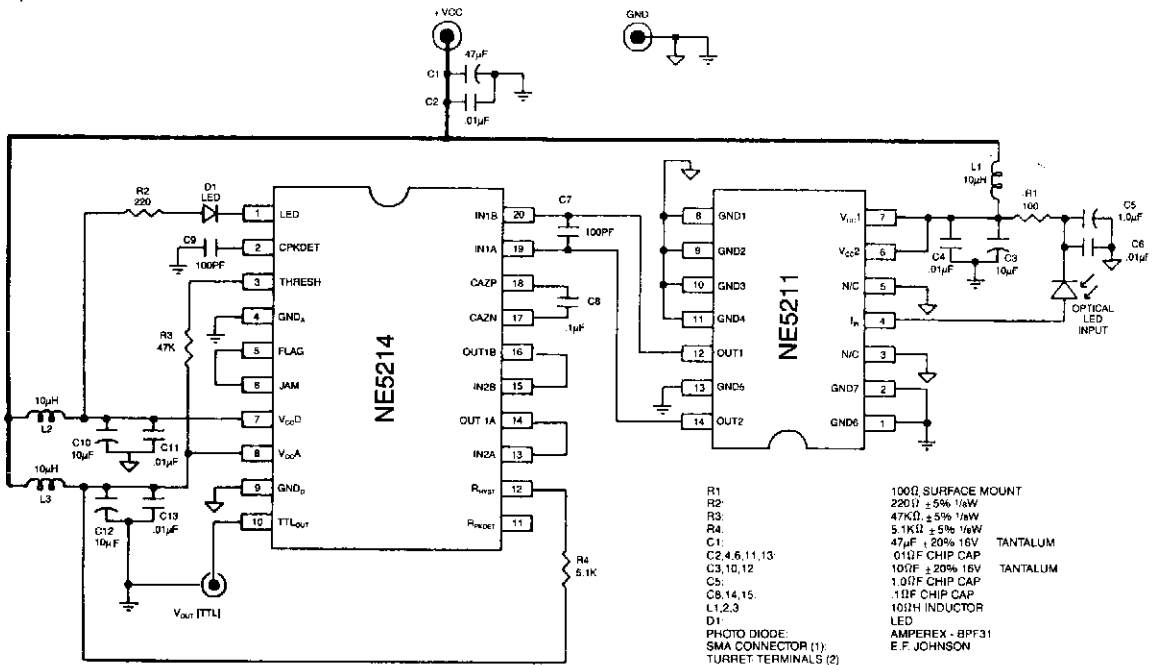
SIGNETICS

Fig. 29-4

The circuit shows a simplex fiber link between the NE5080 transmitter and the NE5081 receiver. The components shown are for a center frequency of 5 MHz, although this frequency can be increased to 20 MHz with proper selection of external component values. The NE5539 has a 530-MHz unity gain bandwidth which could limit maximum operating frequencies in some systems. Since the NE5081 can adequately accept signals below 10 mV at 5-MHz carrier, the gain stage within the dashed lines can be eliminated if the attenuation in the link is low. If the gain stage is used, be mindful of the bandwidth trade-off at higher gains. Refer to the NE5539 data sheet for details.



## 50-Mb/s FIBER OPTIC RECEIVER



SIGNETICS

**Fig. 29-6**

The optical signal is coupled to the pin diode. Current flowing in the diode also flows into the input of the NE5211 preamplifier. The preamplifier is a fixed-gain block that has a 28-KΩ differential transimpedance and does a single-ended to differential conversion. With the signal in differential form, greater noise immunity is assured. The second stage, or postamplifier NE5214, includes a gain block, auto-zero detection, and limiting. The auto-zero circuit allows dc coupling of the preamplifier and the postamplifier and cancels the signal dependent offset because of the optical-to-electrical conversion. The auto-zero capacitor must be 1000 pF or greater for proper operation. The peak detector has an external threshold adjustment,  $R_{TH}$ , allowing the system designer to tailor the threshold to the individual's need. Hysteresis included to minimize jitter introduced by the peak detector, and an external resistor,  $R_{HYS}$ , is used to set the amount of hysteresis desired. The output stage provides a single-ended TTL data signal with matched rise and fall times to minimize duty-cycle distortion.



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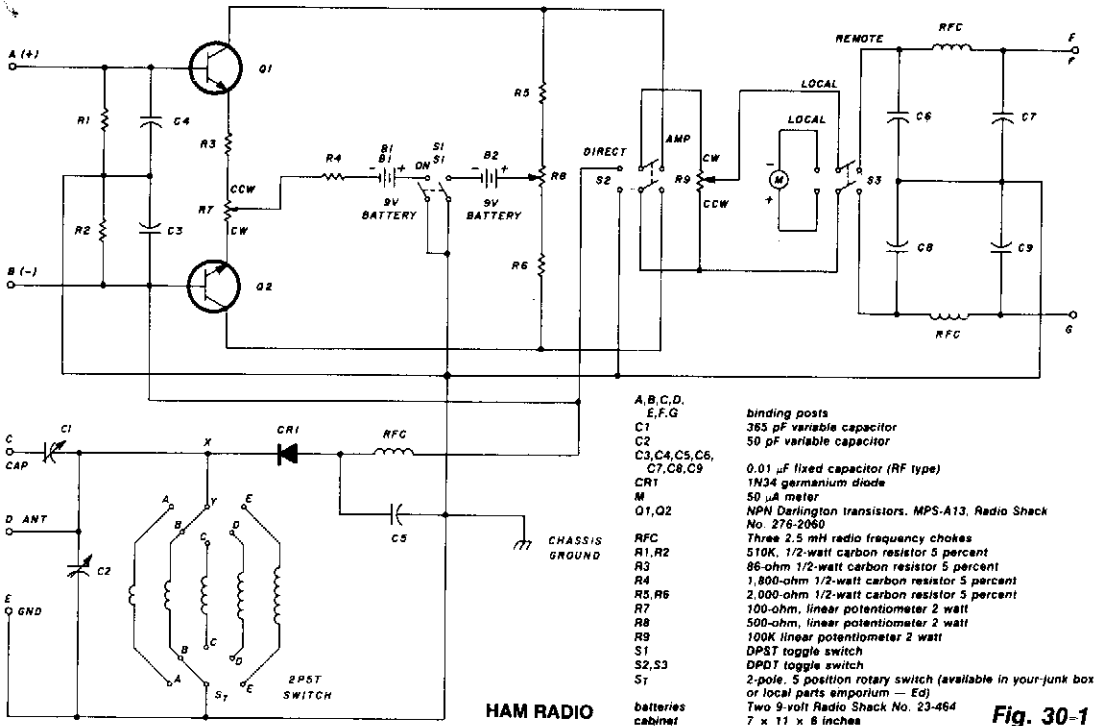
## Field-Strength Meters

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Sensitive Field-Strength Meter  
Field-Strength Meter

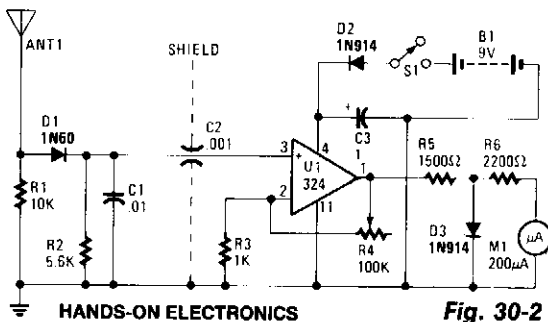
## SENSITIVE FIELD-STRENGTH METER



**Fig. 30-1**

The two-pole, five-position switch, coils and 365-pF variable capacitor cover a range from 1.5 to 30 MHz. The amplifier uses Darlington npn transistors whose high beta, 5000, provides high sensitivity with S1 used as the amplifier on/off switch. Switch S2 in the left position allows the output of the 1N34 diode to be fed directly into the 50-µA meter (M) for direct reading. When S2 is in the right position, the amplifier is switched into the circuit. Switch S3 is for local or remote monitoring. At full gain setting, the input signal is adjusted to give a full-scale reading of 50 mA on the meter. Then with the amplifier switched out of the circuit, the meter reading drops down to about 0.5 mA. A 2.5-mH rf choke and capacitors C3, C4, and C5 effectively keep rf out of the amplifier circuit.

## FIELD-STRENGTH METER



**Fig. 30-2**

The untuned, but amplified FSM can almost sense that mythical flea's whisper—from 3 through 148 MHz no less—and yet, is so immune to overload that the meter pointer won't pin. The key to the circuit is the amplifier, a 324 quad op amp, of which only one section is used. It's designed for a single-ended power supply, will provide at least 20-dB dc gain, and the output current is self-limiting. The pointer can't be pinned.

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## Filter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Programmable Active Filters  
Biquad Audio Filter  
Low-Power Active Filter with Digitally  
    Selectable Center Frequency  
Glitch-Free Turbo Circuit  
Voltage-Controlled Filter  
Second-Order Biquad Bandpass Filter  
Noisy Signal Filter  
State-Variable Active Filter

Scratch Filter  
Dynamic Noise Filter  
State-Variable Filter with Multiple  
    Filtering Outputs  
Typical Active Bandpass Filter  
Sixth-Order Elliptic High-Pass Filter  
Fourth-Order Chebyshev High-Pass Filter  
Fourth-Order Chebyshev Bandpass Filter  
Rumble Filter

## PROGRAMMABLE ACTIVE FILTERS

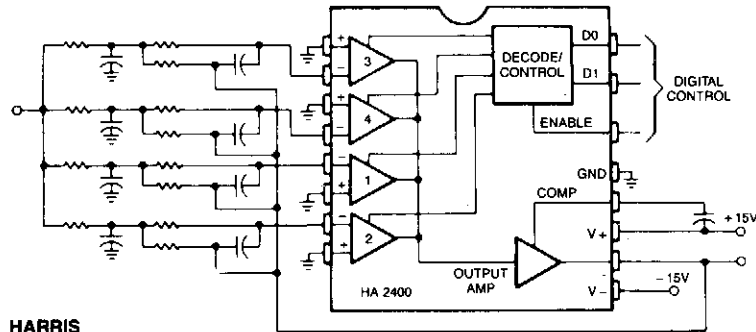
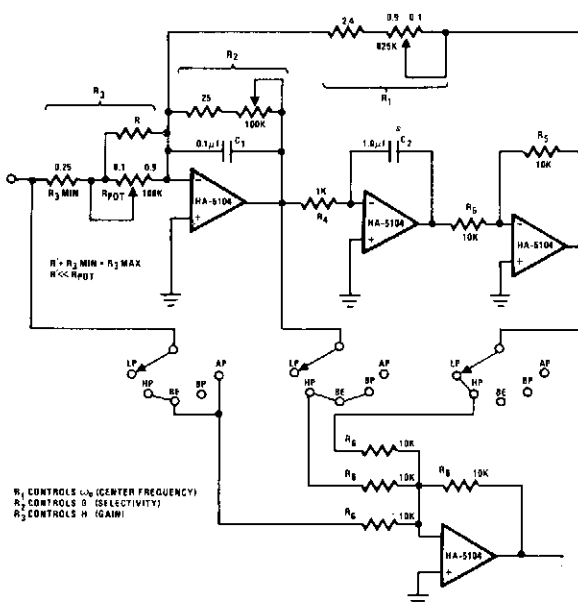


Fig. 31-1

This is a second-order, low-pass filter with programmable cutoff frequency. This circuit should be driven from a low-source impedance since there are paths from the output to the input through the unselected networks. Virtually any filter function which can be constructed with a conventional op amp can be made programmable with the HA-2400.

A useful variation would be to wire one channel as a unity gain amplifier, so that one could select the unfiltered signal, or the same signal filtered in various manners. These could be cascaded to provide a wide variety of programmable filter functions.

## BIQUAD AUDIO FILTER



The biquad offers a universal filter with  $\omega_0$ ,  $Q$ , and gain "orthogonally" tuned.

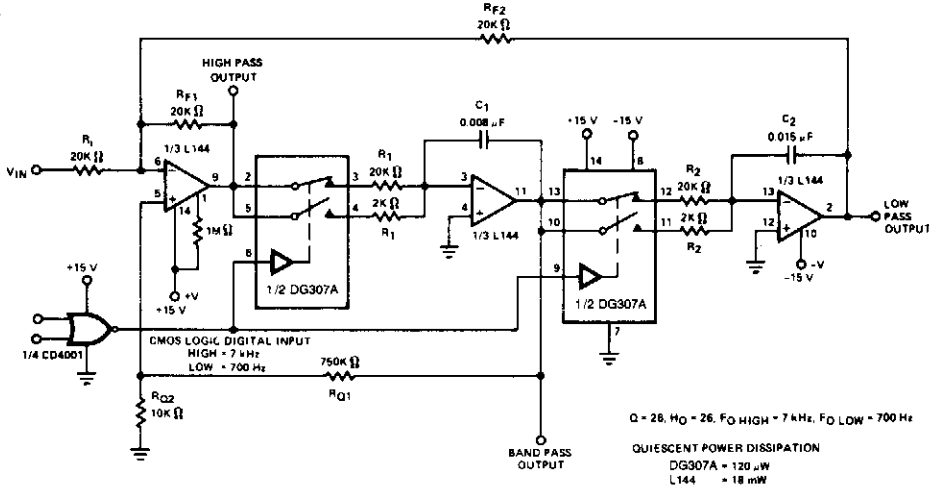
This universal filter offers low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, band elimination, and all-pass functions. The Biquad consists of two successive integration stages followed by an inverting stage. The entire group has a feedback loop from the front to the back consisting of  $R_1$  which is chiefly responsible for controlling the center frequency,  $\omega_0$ . The first stage of integration is a *poor* integrator because  $R_2$  limits the range of integration.  $R_2$  and  $C$  form the time constant of the first stage integrator with  $R_3$  influencing gain  $H$  almost directly. The band-pass function is taken after the first stage with the low-pass function taken after the third stage. The remaining filter operations are generated by various combinations of three stages.

The Biquad is orthogonally tuned, meaning that  $\omega_0$ ,  $Q$ , and gain  $H$  can all be independently adjusted. The component values known will allow  $\omega_0$  to range from 40 Hz to 20 kHz. The other component values give an adequate range of operation to allow for virtually universal filtering in the audio region.  $\omega_0$ ,  $Q$ , and gain  $H$  can all be independently adjusted by tuning  $R_1$  through  $R_3$  in succession.

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Fig. 31-2

# LOW-POWER ACTIVE FILTER WITH DIGITALLY SELECTABLE CENTER FREQUENCY



**Table 1**  
**Design Procedure for the State Variable Active Filter**  
 Given:  $f_0$  (Resonant Frequency),  
 $H_0$  (Gain at the Resonant Frequency) and  $Q_0$

**STANDARD DESIGN**  
 (Assumes Infinite Op-Amp Gain)

1. CHOOSE  $C_1 = C_2 = C$ , A CONVENIENT VALUE
2. LET  $R_1 = R_2 = R$
3. THEN  $R = \frac{1}{2\pi \times f_0 \times C}$
4. CHOOSE  $R_{11} = R_{12} = KR$ ,  
 WHERE  $R_{11}, R_{12}$  = A CONVENIENT VALUE

$$\text{AND } K = \frac{H_0}{Q_0}$$

IF  $H_0$  IS UNIMPORTANT (i.e., GAIN CAN BE ADDED BEFORE AND/OR AFTER THE FILTER), CHOOSE  $K = 1$

5. LET  $R_{Q1}$  = A CONVENIENT VALUE
6. THEN  $R_{Q2} = \frac{R_{Q1}}{(2 + K) \times Q_0 - 1}$

$A(f_0)$  = THE NOMINAL OP AMP GAIN AT THE RESONANT FREQUENCY.

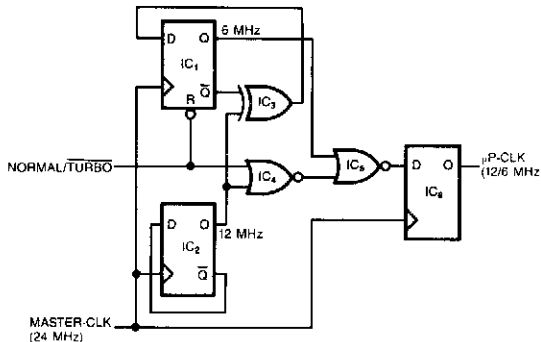
GBWP = THE NOMINAL GAIN-BANDWIDTH PRODUCT OF THE OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER

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**Fig. 31-3**

The switchable center frequency active filter allows a decade change in center frequency.

## GLITCH-FREE TURBO CIRCUIT



This simple circuit generates a dual-speed clock for personal computers. The circuit synchronizes your asynchronous switch inputs with the master clock to provide glitch-free transitions from one clock speed to the other. The dual-speed clock allows some programs to run at the higher clock speed in order to execute more quickly. Other programs—for example, programs that use loops for timing—can still run at the lower speed as necessary. The circuit will work with any master-clock

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**Fig. 31-4**

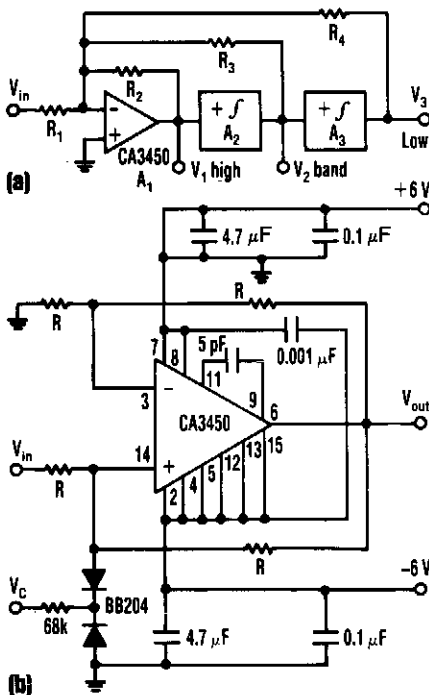
## GLITCH-FREE TURBO CIRCUIT (Cont.)

frequency that meets the flip-flops' minimum-pulse-width specs.

The two D two flip-flops, IC1 and IC2, and an XOR gate, IC3, form a binary divider that develops the 6- and 12-MHz clocks. When the NT signal is low, the reset pin forces the 6-MHz output low. On the other hand, when the NT signal is high, IC3

blocks the 12-MHz output. Therefore, only one of the two clock signals passes through IC3 and gets clocked into IC6. Because the master-clk signal clocks IC6, asynchronous switching of the NT signal can't generate an output pulse shorter than 41  $\mu\text{s}$  ( $1/24$  MHz). Also, the synchronization eliminates glitches.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED FILTER



The control voltage  $V_C$  easily sets the cutoff frequency  $\omega_o$  of this state-variable filter to any desired value, from about 1.7 MHz up to 5 MHz, with a BB 204 varicap and  $R = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ .  $V_C$  can range from 0 to 28 V. This range changes the capacitance of the varicap from about 4 to 12 pF.

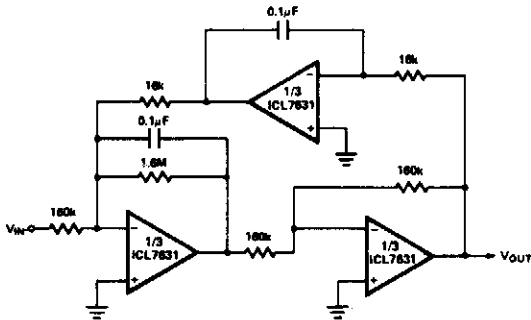
The circuit consists of input summing circuit A1 and two noninverting integrators, A2 and A3. Both the integrators and the summing-amplifier circuits use CA3450 op amps. With them, cutoff frequencies up to 200 MHz are possible.

The circuit's cutoff frequency, its  $Q$ -factor, and gain  $G$  are simply:

$$\omega_o = 2/CR, \quad Q = R_3/R_4, \\ \text{and } G = R_4/R_1$$

For a given value for  $R_4$ , say  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $Q$  depends only upon the resistance of  $R_3$ . The  $Q$  can be any value, even 100, independently of both  $\omega_o$  and  $G$ . Similarly, the gain then depends only on the resistance of  $R_1$  and can also be set as high as 100.

## SECOND-ORDER BIQUAD BANDPASS FILTER

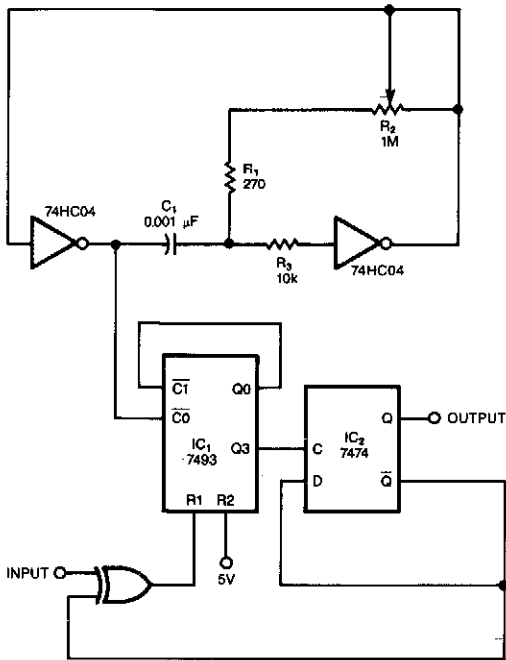


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Fig. 31-6

Note that  $I_Q$  on each amplifier might be different.  $A_{VCL} = 10$ ,  $Q = 100$ ,  $f_0 = 100$  Hz.

## NOISY SIGNALS FILTER

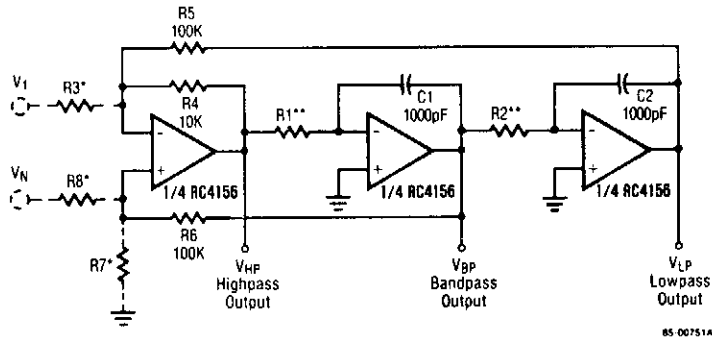


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Fig. 31-7

This circuit filters noise, such as glitches and contact bounce, from digital signals. You can easily adjust the circuit for a wide range of noise frequencies. The circuit's output changes state only if the input differs from the output long enough for the counter to count eight cycles. If the input changes before the counter reaches its maximum count, the counter resets without clocking the output of flip-flop, IC2. You use R2 to set the frequency of the two-inverter CMOS oscillator, which clocks the counter. Simply adjust the oscillator such that its period is one-eighth that of the noise you want to eliminate.

## STATE-VARIABLE ACTIVE FILTER



\*Input connections are chosen for inverting or non-inverting response. Values of R3, R7, R8 determine gain and Q.

\*\*Values of R1 and R2 determine natural frequency.

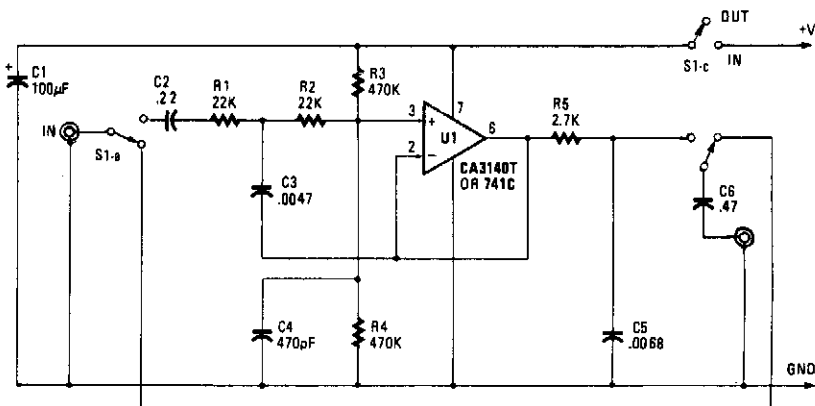
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Fig. 31-8

A generalized circuit diagram of the two-pole state-variable active filter is shown. The state-variable filter can be inverting or noninverting and can simultaneously provide three outputs: low-pass, bandpass, and high-pass. A notch filter can be realized by adding one summing op amp.

In the state-variable filter circuit, one amplifier performs a summing function and the other two act as integrators. The choice of passive component values is arbitrary, but must be consistent with the amplifier operating range and input signal characteristics. The values shown for C1, C2, R4, R5, and R6 are arbitrary. Preselecting their values will simplify the filter tuning procedures, but other values can be used if necessary.

## SCRATCH FILTER

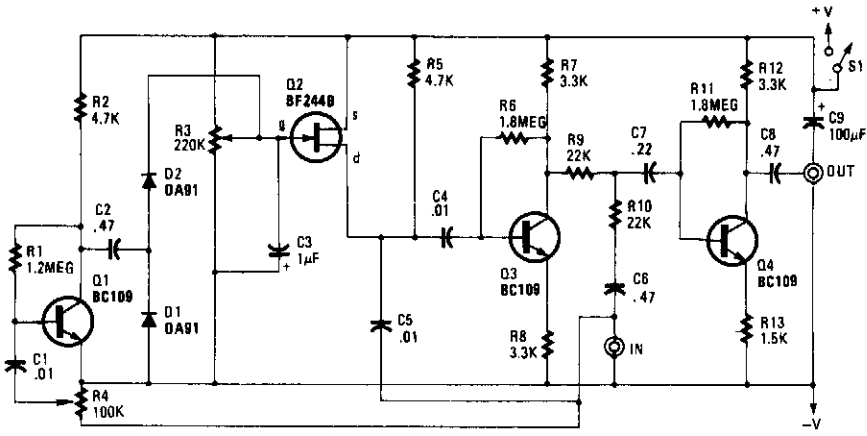


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Fig. 31-9



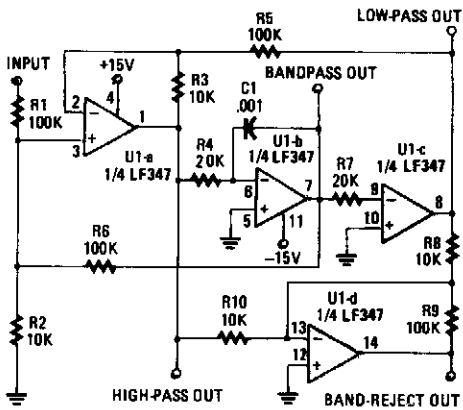
## DYNAMIC NOISE FILTER



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Fig. 31-10

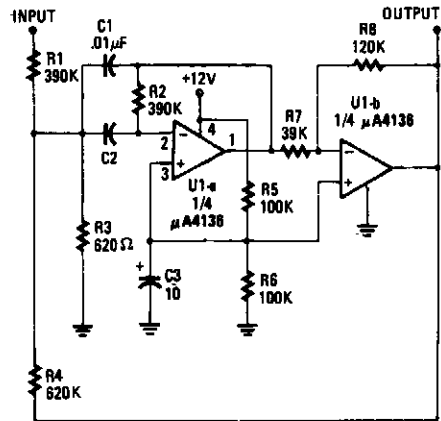
## STATE-VARIABLE FILTER WITH MULTIPLE FILTERING OUTPUTS



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Fig. 31-11

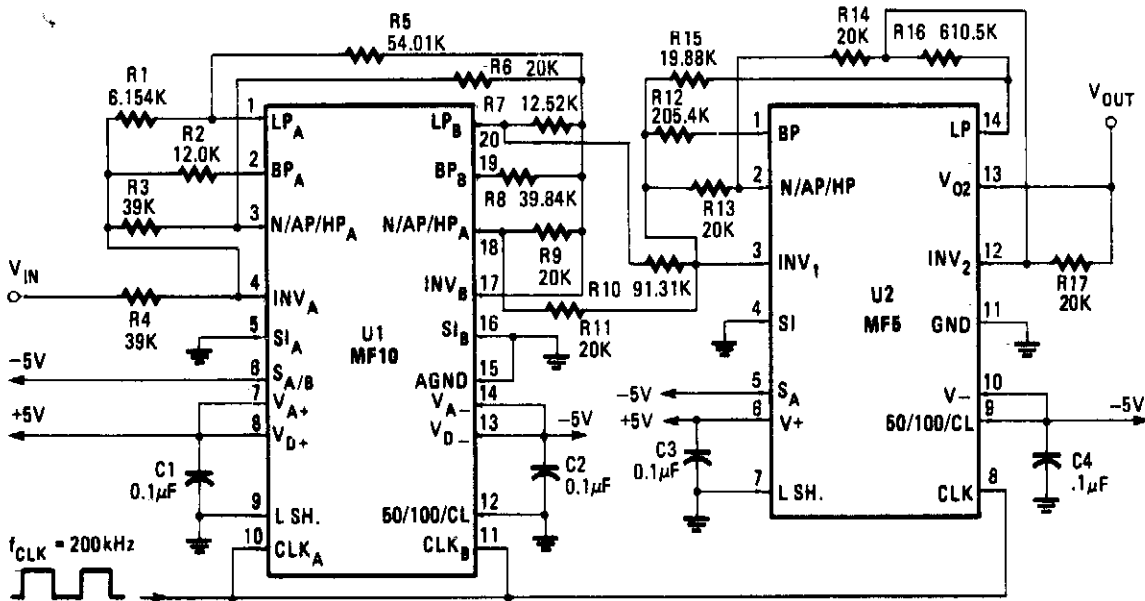
## TYPICAL ACTIVE BANDPASS FILTER



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Fig. 31-12

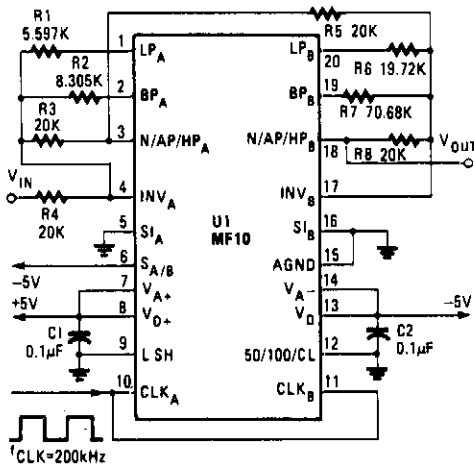
### SIXTH-ORDER ELLIPTIC HIGH-PASS FILTER



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Fig. 31-13

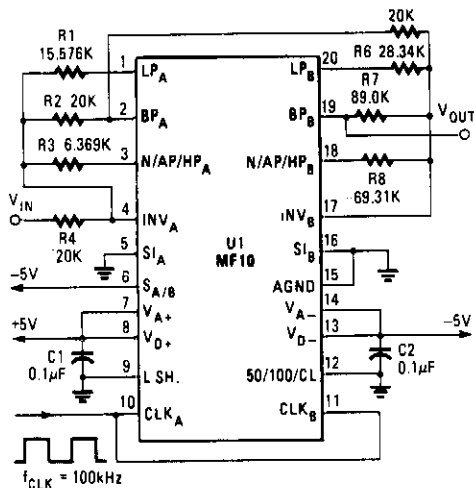
### FOURTH-ORDER CHEBYSHEV HIGH-PASS FILTER



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Fig. 31-14

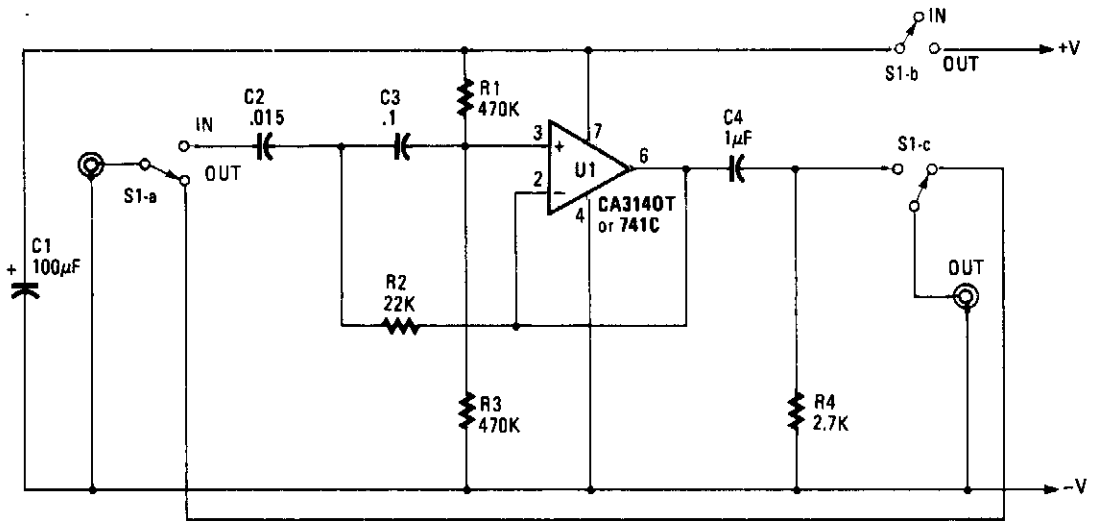
### FOURTH-ORDER CHEBYSHEV BANDPASS FILTER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 31-15

# RUMBLE FILTER



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Fig. 31-16

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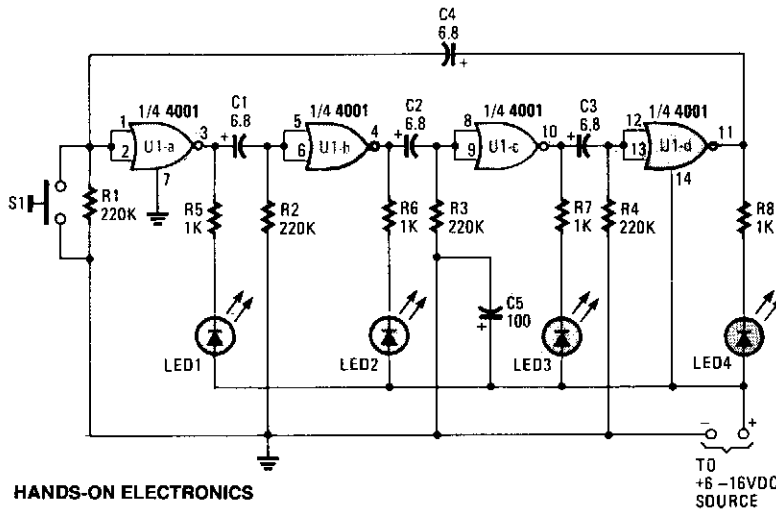
## Flashers and Blinkers

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|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ring-Around LED Flasher    | Five-Lamp Neon Flasher    |
| Three-Year LED Flasher     | Alternating LED Flasher   |
| SCR Ring Counter           | CMOS Flasher              |
| Astable Multivibrator      | 60-W Flashing Light       |
| Ac Flasher                 | Two-State Neon Oscillator |
| Single-Lamp Flasher        | Alternating LED Flasher   |
| SCR Chasher                | Transistor Flasher        |
| SCR Flasher                | Minimum Component Flasher |
| Incandescent Light Flasher | Lamp Flasher              |

## RING-AROUND LED FLASHER

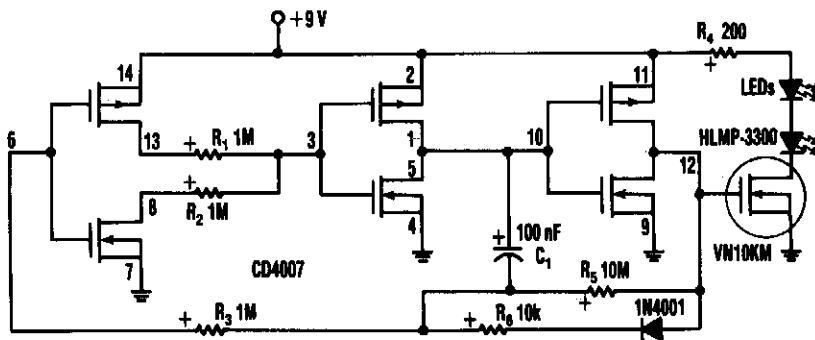


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-1

When power is first turned on, two of the LEDs are on and the other two remain off until the timing cycle reverses. The LEDs flash in pairs, but by pressing and holding S1 closed until only one of the LEDs is on, and then releasing it, the four LEDs can be made to flash in sequential order. The number of LEDs flashing in a sequential ring can be easily increased to eight by adding another 4001 quad NOR gate. Just repeat the circuit and connect the additional circuit in series with the first—input to output—as an extension of the first circuit. When power is connected to the eight-LED flasher circuit, four LEDs will turn on at once and then flash off as the four remaining LEDs come on. As before, just press S1 and hold closed until all but one LED turns off; then the LEDs will begin their sequential march in a circle. You can connect as many circuits in series as you like.

## THREE-YEAR LED FLASHER



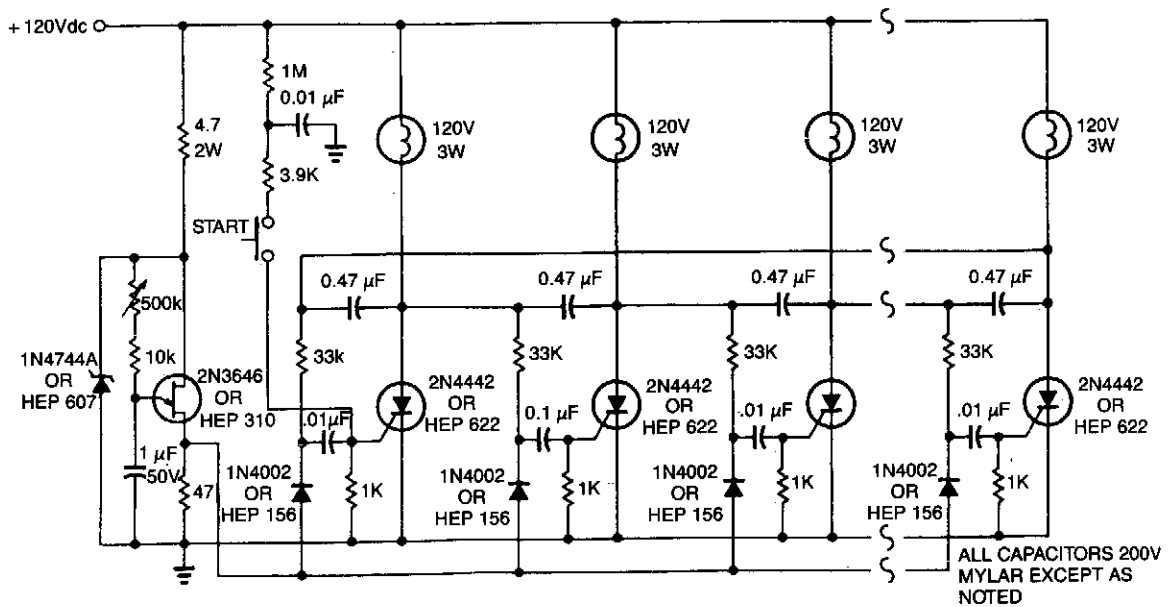
IDEAS FOR DESIGN

Fig. 32-2

### THREE-YEAR LED FLASHER (Cont.)

Inserting two 1-M $\Omega$  resistors, R1 and R2, in the output stage of one of the circuit's inverters limits the current needed by the oscillator to no more than a few  $\mu$ A. This circuit includes a CD4007 package, which has three CMOS inverters. It forms a standard three-inverter oscillator. Resistors R1 and R2, in series with separate drains on inverter pins 8 and 13, limit the oscillator's supply current. Capacitor C1 and resistors R5 set the off time of the oscillator, C1; R6 sets the on time. A VN10KM small-power FET, current-limited by R4, drives two HLMP-3300 LEDs. The LEDs consume about 20 mA for 1 ms. Their average current determines battery life. Since the LEDs in the circuit flash at 1 Hz, the average current drain is about 1/1000 of 20 mA, or 20  $\mu$ A. A 9-V battery should last about three years at the current drain—essentially the shelf life of an alkaline battery.

### SCR RING COUNTER

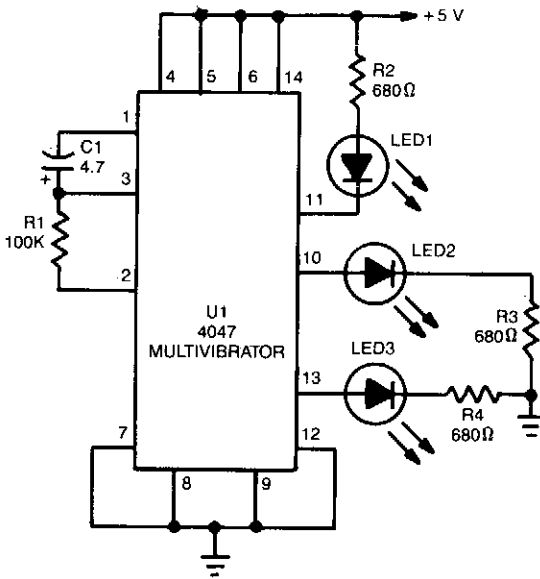


EDN

Fig. 32-3

One lamp at a time is lit in the string to give the appearance of a moving point of light.

## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

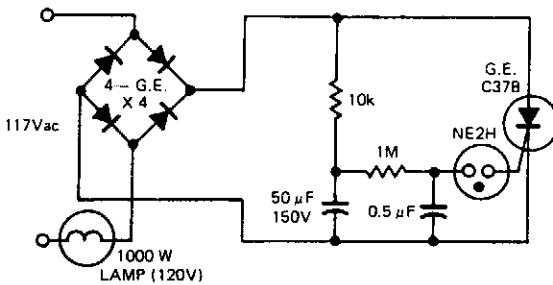


The 4047 is configured as a free-running, astable-multivibrator (oscillator) circuit. That configuration, offers three different outputs. The output pulses at the  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  output (pins 10 and 11, respectively) are the same as in the previous two circuits. The third output at pin 13 pulses twice as often as the outputs at 10 and 11. So, the circuit can be used to simultaneously provide both positive- and negative-trigger signals since the  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  output are never in the same state, and a clock frequency. Thus, the 4047 can replace both a simple oscillator (the 555, for instance) and a flip-flop in some applications.

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Fig. 32-4

## AC FLASHER

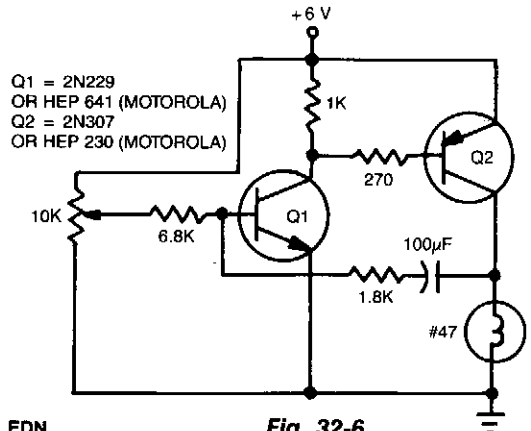


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Fig. 32-5

This ac line-operated flasher uses an SCR and is capable of flashing a large lamp. Flashing rate is determined by the 10-K $\Omega$  resistor and the 50-mF capacitor. Increasing or decreasing the value of the capacitor has a corresponding effect on the flash rate.

## SINGLE-LAMP FLASHER



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Fig. 32-6

The flash rate is controlled by a complementary multivibrator consisting of an npn and a pnp transistor.

### SCR CHASER

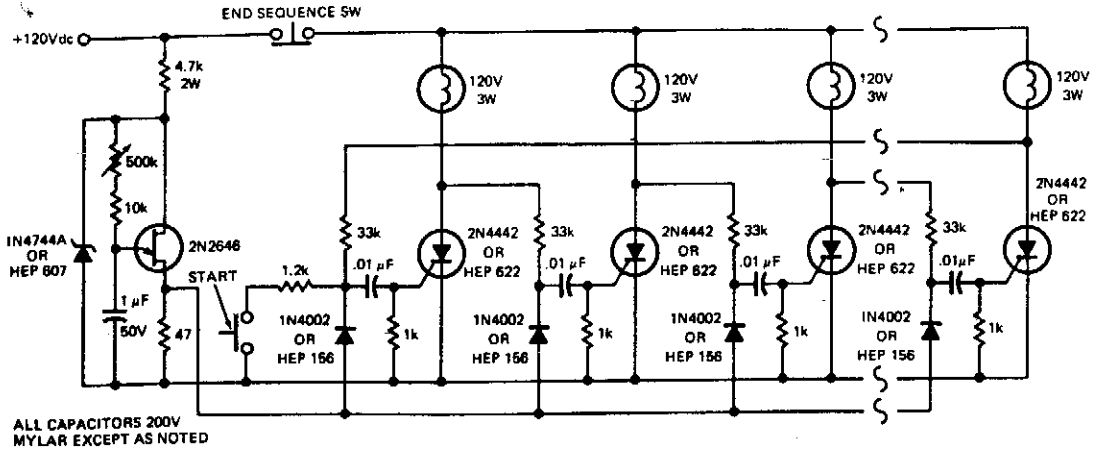
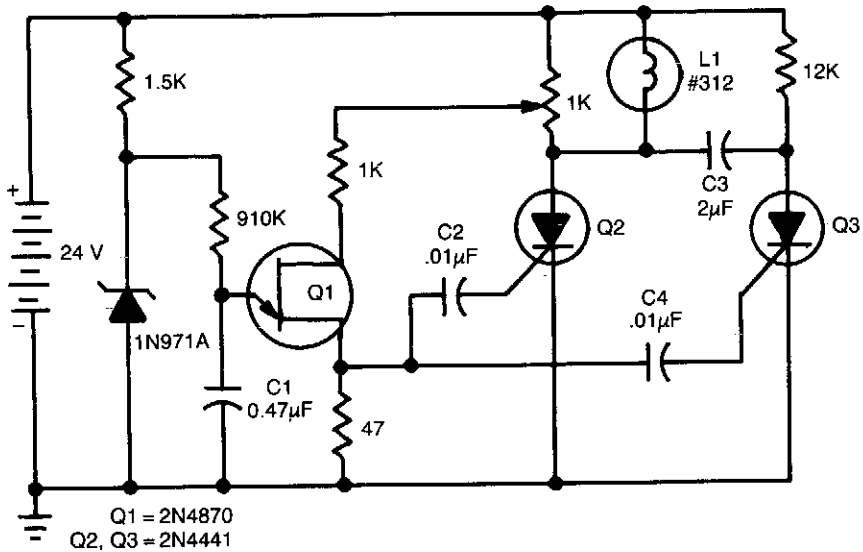


Fig. 32-7

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Each lamp lights in succession to give the appearance of a growing column.

### SCR FLASHER



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Fig. 32-8

This dc flasher uses two SCRs and a unijunction oscillator clock to set the flash rate, which can be varied by changing the value of C1.



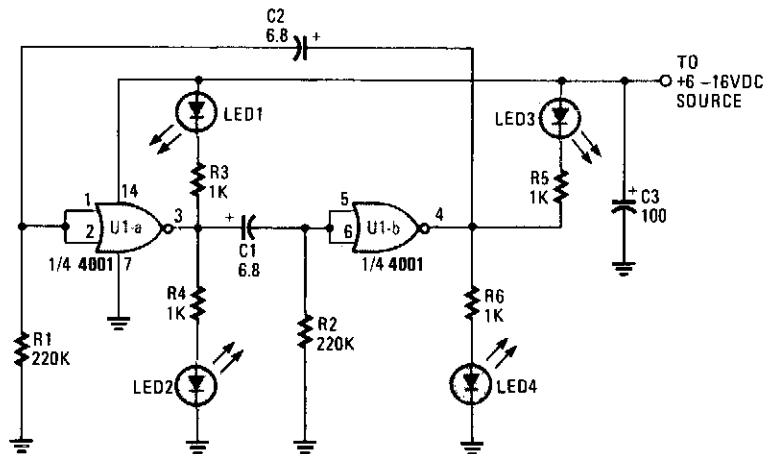


## ALTERNATING LED FLASHER (Cont.)

The timing components are R1, R2, and C<sub>1</sub>. C<sub>1</sub> is a bypass capacitor used to reduce the effects of noise. At start-up, the voltage across C<sub>1</sub> is less than the trigger level voltage ( $\frac{1}{3} V_{DD}$ ), causing the timer to be triggered via pin 2. The output of the timer at pin 3 increases, turning LED1 off, LED2 on, the discharge transistor at pin 7 off, and allowing C<sub>1</sub> to charge through resistors R1 and R2. When capacitor C<sub>1</sub> charges to the upper threshold voltage ( $\frac{2}{3} V_{DD}$ ), the flip-flop is reset and the output at pin 3 decreases. LED1 is turned on, LED2 is turned off, and capacitor C<sub>1</sub> discharges through resistor R2 and the discharge transistor. When the voltage at pin 2 reaches  $\frac{1}{3} V_{DD}$ , the lower threshold or trigger level, the timer triggers again and the cycle is repeated.

The totem-pole output at pin 3 is a square wave with a duty cycle of about 50%. The output alternately turns on each LED at slightly less than one blink per second. If the unit is battery operated, the TLC555 uses minimum current to produce this function. With a 9-V battery, the circuit draws 5 mA (no load) and 15 mA when turning on an LED. Most of the on current is for the LED.

## CMOS FLASHER

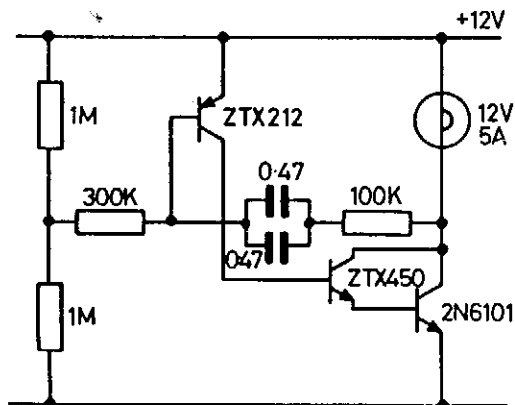


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Fig. 32-12

Uses a low cost CMOS IC to turn four LEDs on and off at a rate that is set by the values of R1, R2, C1, and C2. The pulse rate for the component values given for R1 and R2 is about one cycle every four seconds. By lowering the values of R1 and R2 to 220 K $\Omega$ , the pulse rate increases to 1 Hz. The LEDs flash in pairs, with LED1 and LED4 turning together for one half of the time period, while LED2 and LED3 are on for the other half. The on/off duration of each pair of LEDs can be increased or decreased by changing the value of one of coupling capacitors C1 or C2. Increasing either capacitor's value by a factor of 10 will also increase the ON time of a pair of the LEDs for about the same factor.

### 60-W FLASHING LIGHT

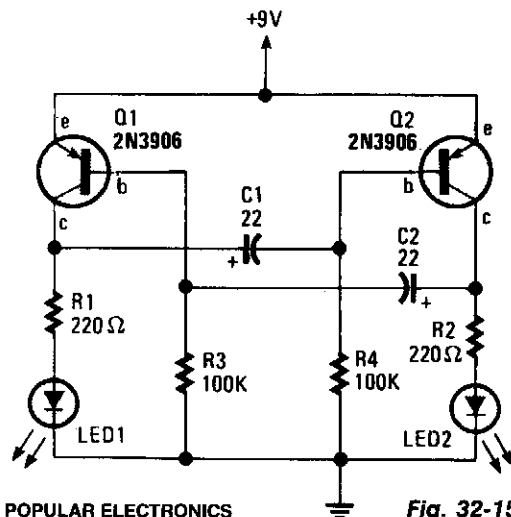


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Fig. 32-13

The 2N6101 transistor should be mounted on a small heatsink. The 300-K $\Omega$  resistor controls the off period and might need to be adjusted if transistor gains are high. The 100-K $\Omega$  resistor controls the on period.

### ALTERNATING LED FLASHER

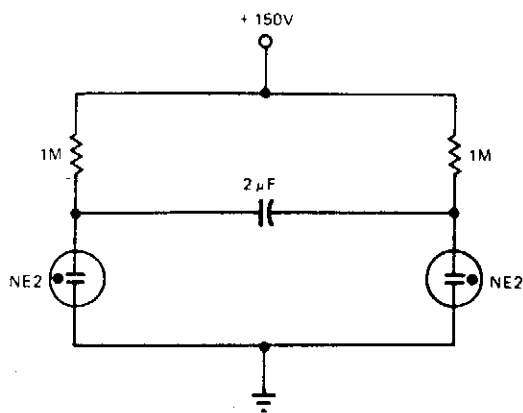


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Fig. 32-15

The alternating LED flasher is simply a two-transistor oscillator with LEDs connected to the collector of each transistor, so that they light in time with the circuit's oscillations.

### TWO-STATE NEON OSCILLATOR



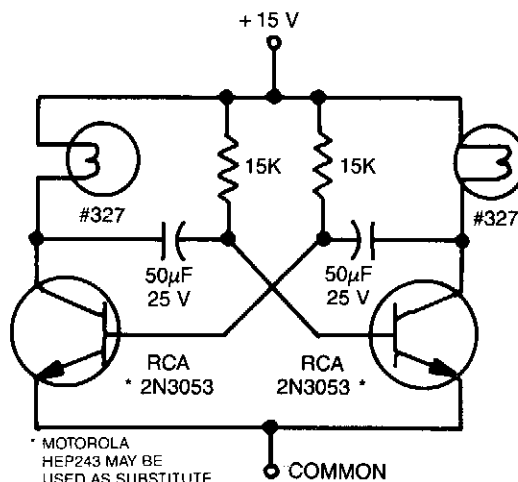
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Fig. 32-14

The number of lamps is easily increased in this oscillator.

### TRANSISTOR FLASHER



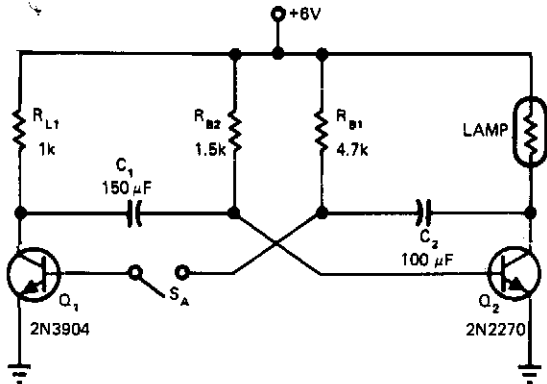
\* MOTOROLA  
HEP243 MAY BE  
USED AS SUBSTITUTE

EDN

Fig. 32-16

This astable multivibrator uses incandescent lamps in place of collector load resistors. The lamps flash on and off alternately.

### MINIMUM COMPONENT FLASHER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 32-17

Opening  $S_A$ , changes the indicator lamp from flashing to steady-lit condition. The 6-V incandescent lamp on the collector of  $Q_2$  requires about 0.3 A. A 1-K $\Omega$  load resistor limits  $Q_1$ 's collector current to about 6 mA. The circuit is, therefore, asymmetrical with respect to the on currents of the transistors, allowing use of a much smaller transistor for  $Q_1$  than for  $Q_2$ .

### LAMP FLASHER

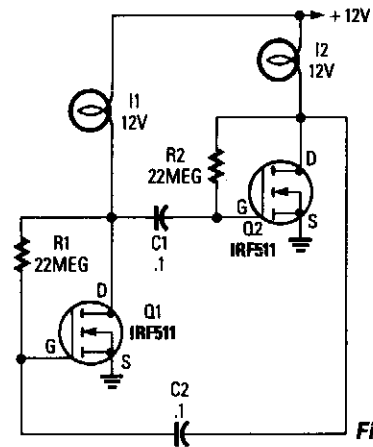


Fig. 32-18

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The circuit is built around two power FETs, which are configured as a simple astable multivibrator to alternately switch the two lamps on and off. The rc values given sets the flash rate to about  $1/3$  Hz. By varying either the resistor or capacitor values, almost any flash rate can be obtained. Increase either  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , and the flash rate slows. Decrease them and the rate increases.

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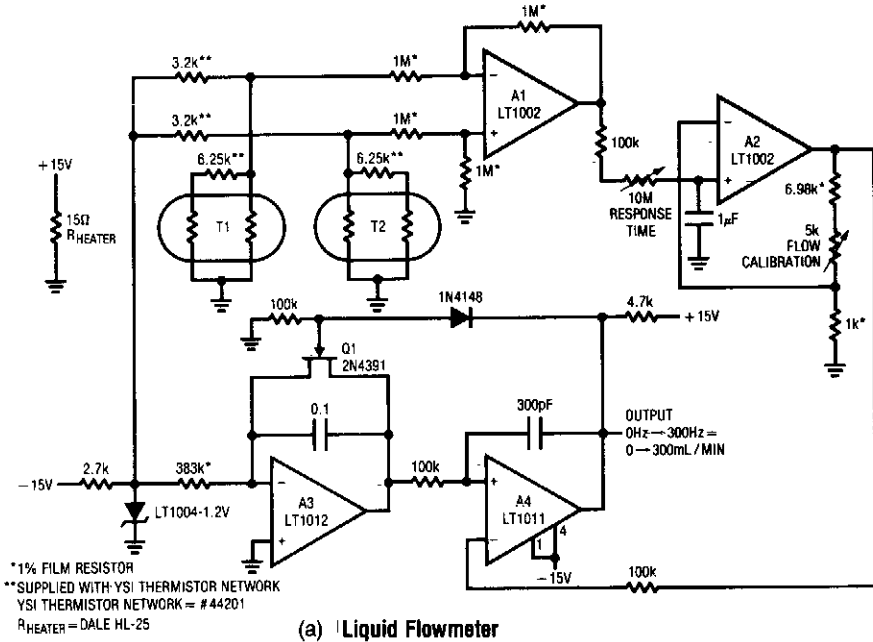
## Flow Detector

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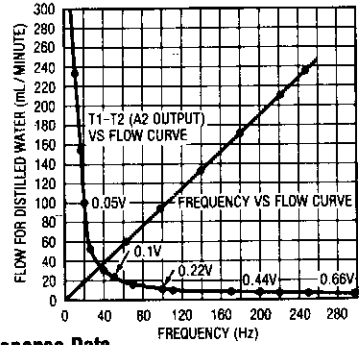
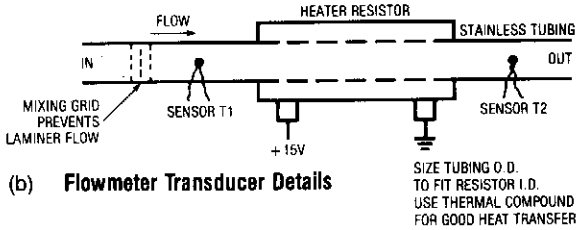
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Low Flow-Rate Thermal Flowmeter

## LOW FLOW-RATE THERMAL FLOWMETER



\*1% FILM RESISTOR  
 \*\*SUPPLIED WITH YSI THERMISTOR NETWORK  
 YSI THERMISTOR NETWORK = # 44201  
 R<sub>HEATER</sub> = DALE HL-25



(c) Flowmeter Response Data

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

Fig. 33-1

This design measures the differential temperature between two sensors. Sensor T1, located before the heater resistor, assumes the fluid's temperature before it is heated by the resistor. Sensor T2 picks up the temperature rise induced into the fluid by the resistor's heating. The sensor's difference signal appears at A1's output. A2 amplifies this difference with a time constant set by the 10 MΩ adjustment. Fig. 33-1c shows A2's output versus flow rate. The function has an inverse relationship. A3 and A4 linearize this relationship, while simultaneously providing a frequency output. A3 functions as an integrator that is biased from the LT1004 and the 338-KΩ input resistor. Its output is compared to A2's output at A4. Large inputs from A2 force the integrator to run for a long time before A4 can increase, turning on Q1 and resetting A3. For small inputs from A2, A3 does not have to integrate long before resetting action occurs. Thus, the configuration oscillates at a frequency which is inversely proportional to A2's output voltage. Since this voltage is inversely related to flow rate, the oscillation frequency linearly corresponds to flow rate.

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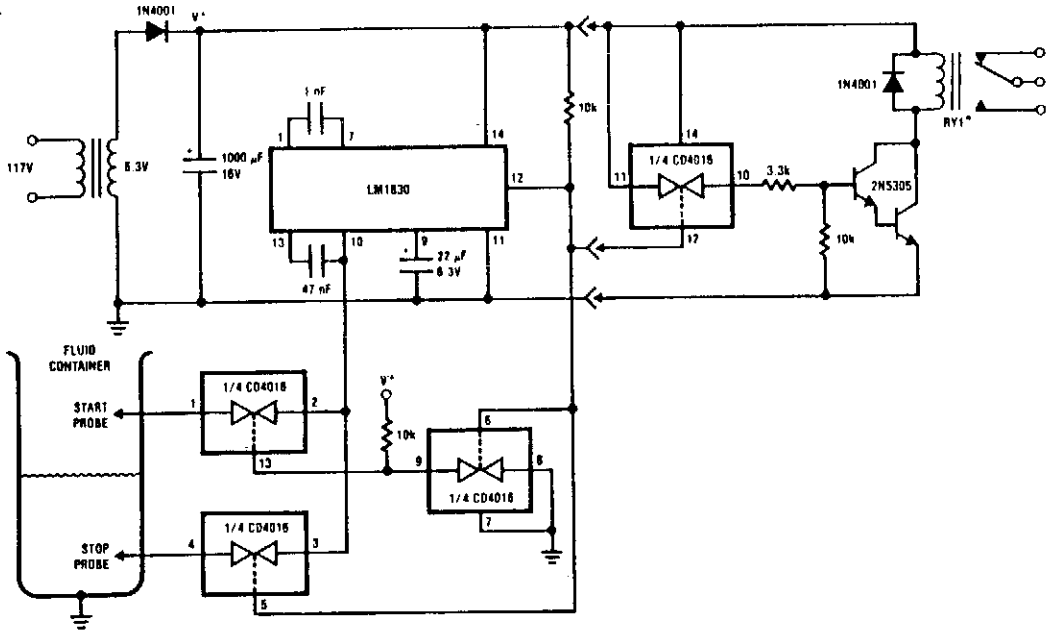
## Fluid and Moisture Detectors

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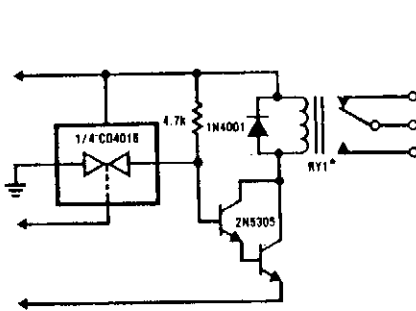
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- Fluid-Level Control
- Flood Alarm or Temperature Monitor
- Water-Level Sensor and Control
- Dual Liquid-Level Detector
- Soil Moisture Meter
- Liquid-Level Checker
- Liquid-Level Monitor

## FLUID-LEVEL CONTROL



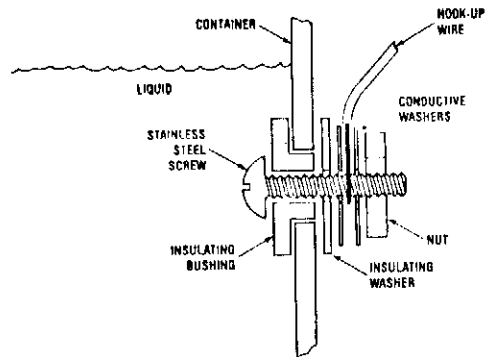
"Emptying" Processes are Controlled with this Circuit



\*RY1 = Magnecraft Part # W388COX-5

**FIGURE 1(b). Filling Processes are Implemented with this Output Circuit and Relabeled Probes**

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A sealing compound applied externally protects hook-up wire and prevents leaks.

**Typical Probe Installation Fig. 34-1**

This circuit is designed to detect the presence or absence of aqueous fluids. An ac signal generated on-chip is passed through two probes within the fluid. A detector determines the presence of the fluid by using the probes in a voltage divider circuit and measuring the signal level across the probes. An ac signal is used to prevent plating or dissolving of the probes as occurs when a dc signal is used. A pin is available for connecting an external resistance in cases where the fluid impedance is not compatible with the internal 13-KΩ divider resistance.



## FLOOD ALARM OR TEMPERATURE MONITOR

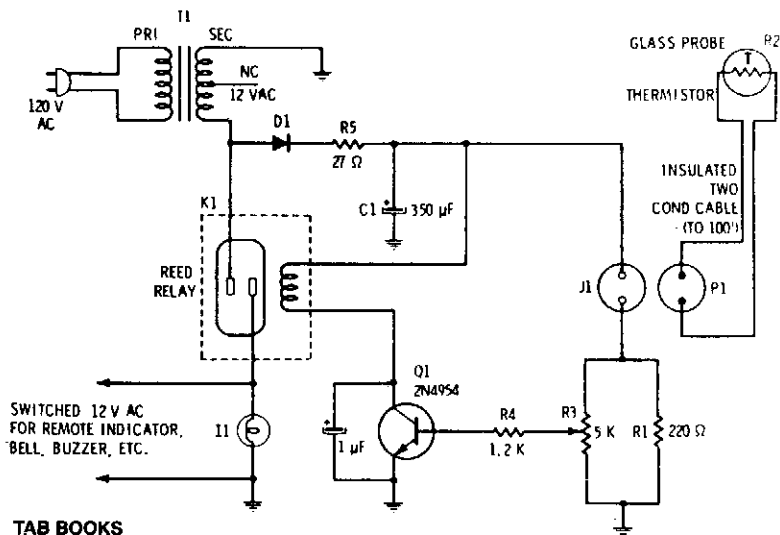
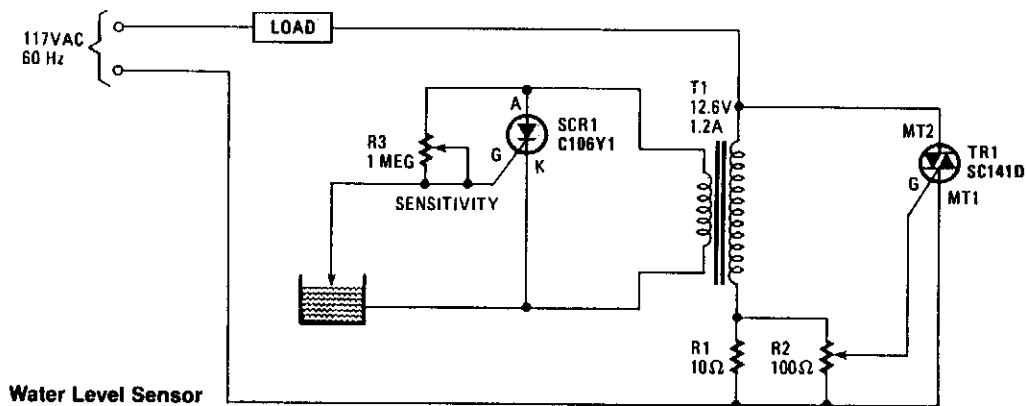


Fig. 34-2

Filtered 15 Vdc is applied to a series circuit consisting of thermistor R2 and parallel combination of resistors R1 and R3. Transistor Q1 acts as a switch whose state is determined by the setting of potentiometer R3, which is first set so just enough current flows into the base to switch on when the thermistor is in contact with air. When the resistance of the thermistor decreases, the voltage at the base of Q1 rises. When the base current reaches the preset level, the transistor conducts and passes current through the reed relay coil, closing the reed relay contacts. Current at the base of transistor Q1 is determined by the environment into which the thermistor is inserted.

## WATER-LEVEL SENSOR AND CONTROL



Water Level Sensor

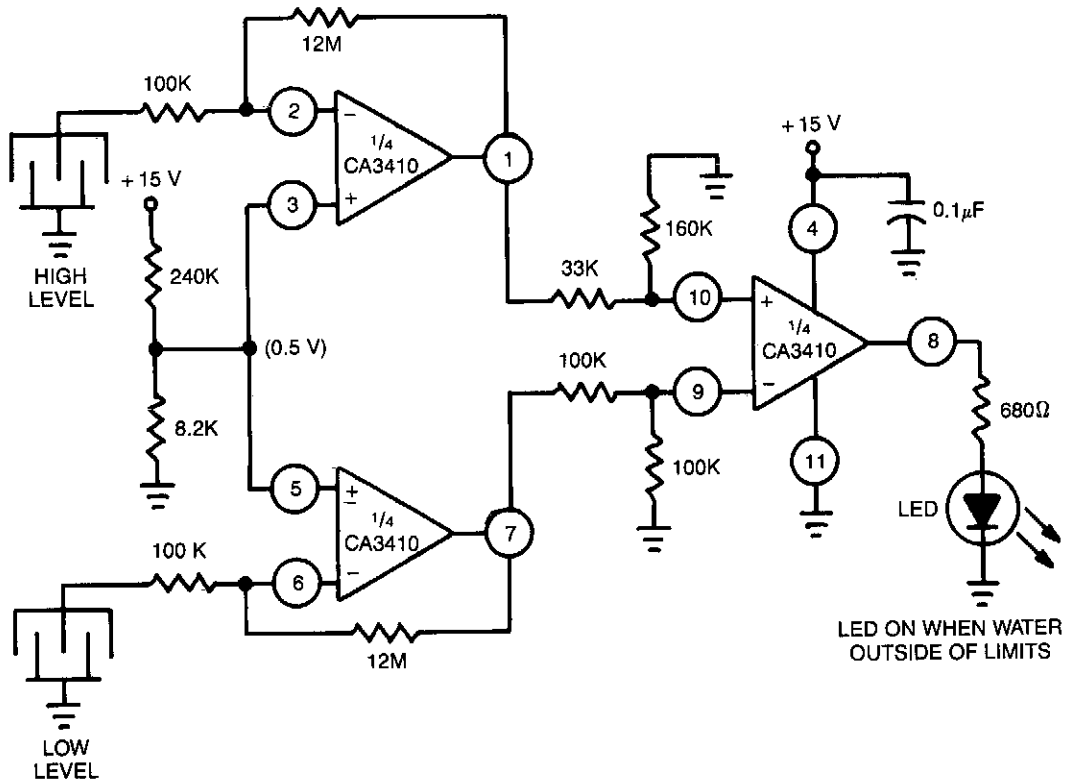
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-3

## WATER-LEVEL SENSOR AND CONTROL (CONT.)

When the water level is low, the probe is out of the water and SCR1 is triggered on. It conducts and imposes a heavy load on transformer T1's secondary winding. That load is reflected back into the primary, gating triac TR1 on, which energizes the load. If the load is an electric valve in the water-supply line, it will open and remain open until the water rises and touches the probe; this shorts SCR1's gate and cathode, thereby turning off the SCR1, which effectively open-circuits the secondary. That open-circuit condition, when reflected back to the primary winding, removes the triac's trigger signal, thereby turning the water off.

### DUAL LIQUID-LEVEL DETECTOR

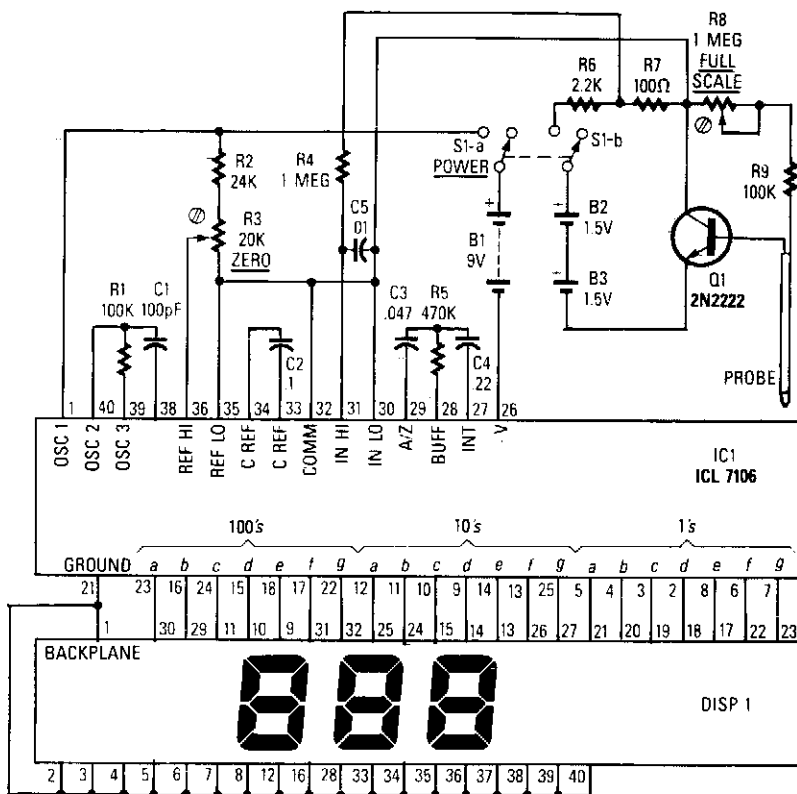


GE/RCA

Fig. 34-4

Uses CA3410 quad BiMOS op amp to sense small currents. Because the op amp's input current is low, a current of only  $1 \mu\text{A}$  passing through the sensor will change the converter's output by as much as 10 to 12 V.

## SOIL-MOISTURE METER



**Fig. 34-5**

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IC1, an Intersil ICL7106, contains an a/d converter, a 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-digit LCD driver, a clock, a voltage reference, seven segment decoders, and display drivers. A similar part, the ICL7107, can be used to drive seven segment LEDs. The probe body is a five-inch length of light-weight aluminum tubing. The leads from the circuit are connected to the body and tip of the probe. The sensor functions as a variable resistor that varies Q1's base current, hence its collector current. The varying collector current produces a varying voltage across 100 Ω resistor R7, and that voltage is what IC1 converts for display.

The LCD consumes about 25 μA, and IC1 consumes under 2 mA, so the circuit will run for a long time when it is powered by a standard 9-V battery. Current drain of the two 1.5-V AA cells is also very low: under 300 μA.

To calibrate, rotate R3 to the center of its range. Then place the end of the probe into a glass of water and adjust R8 for a reading of 100. When you remove the probe from the water, the LCD should indicate 000. You might have to adjust R3 slightly for the display to indicate 000. If so, readjust R8 with the probe immersed. Check for a reading of 000 again with probe out of water.

## LIQUID-LEVEL CHECKER

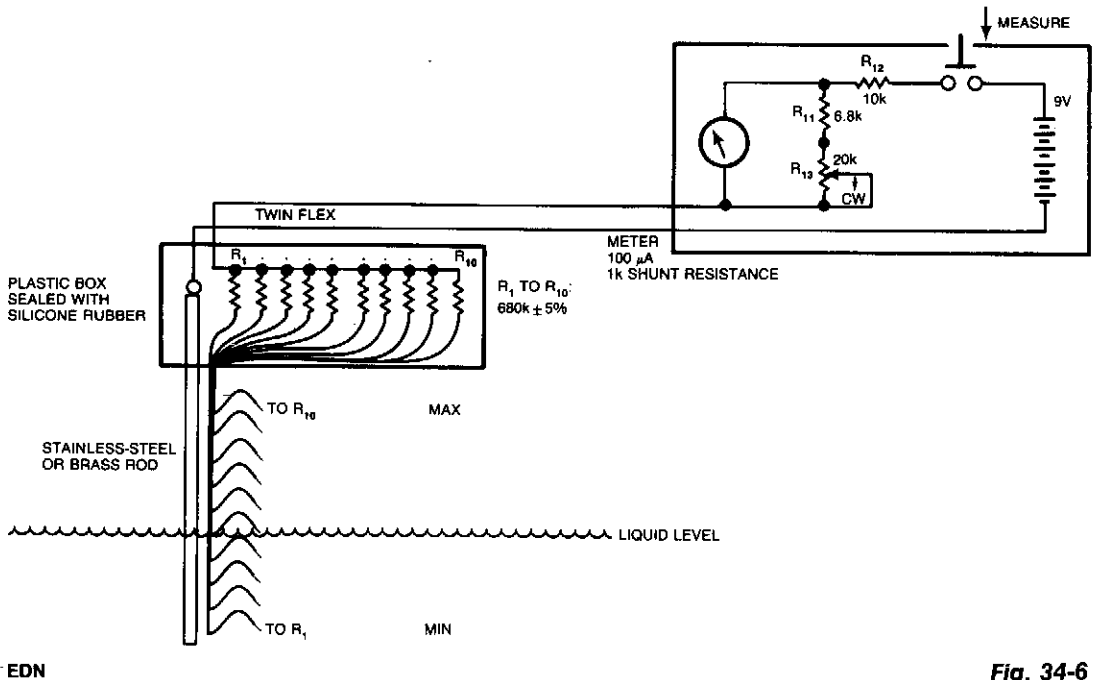
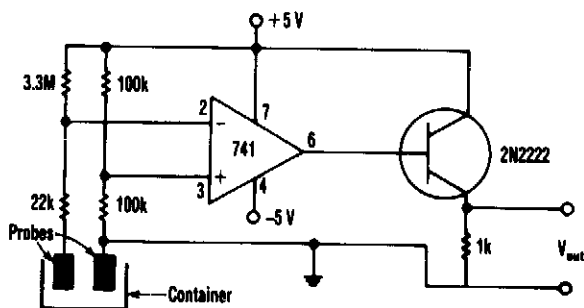


Fig. 34-6

Although many circuits use the varying-capacitance method for checking liquid levels, this simple resistive circuit is much easier to construct. Even a tank of a liquid, such as water, has sufficient conductive salts in solution for this method to work. The probe uses a metal rod that supports 10 insulated wires, which have stripped ends pointing down. As the level of liquid rises, resistors R<sub>1</sub> through R<sub>10</sub> are successively brought into circuit, each drawing an extra 10 μA through the meter. Shunt resistors R<sub>11</sub> and R<sub>13</sub> calibrate the meter for a full-scale reading when the tank is full. Resistor R<sub>12</sub> limits the current through the meter. If tank isn't rectangular—ie, if the volume of the liquid it contains isn't directly proportional to the liquid's depth—space the resistors accordingly or use a nonlinear progression of resistor values and retain constant resistor spacing.

## LIQUID-LEVEL MONITOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 34-7

This monitor uses a common 741 amp configured as a comparator and a low cost nontransistor as an output driver. With no liquid detected, a voltage of about 2.92 V is present in the op amp's inverting input at pin 2. The 100-K $\Omega$  resistors establish a reference voltage of +2.5 V at the non-inverting input at pin 3 of the op amp. Under those conditions, the op amp's output is -3.56 V, which keeps the 2N2222 transistor turned off and the voltage across its 1-K $\Omega$  output load resistor at 0 V. When liquid reaches the probes, the 3.3-M $\Omega$  and 22-K $\Omega$  resistor circuit conductively connects to ground. When enough current, about 1.4  $\mu$ A, flows through the liquid, the small 30 mV drop developed across the 22-K $\Omega$  resistor drives the op amp to deliver an output voltage of about 4.42 V. This voltage then drives a 2N2222 transistor into saturation, which generates a voltage drop of about 3.86 V across its 1-K $\Omega$  output load resistor.

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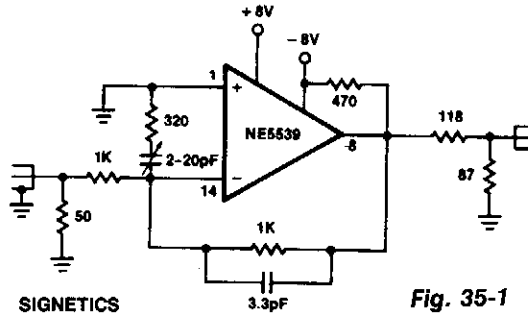
## Followers

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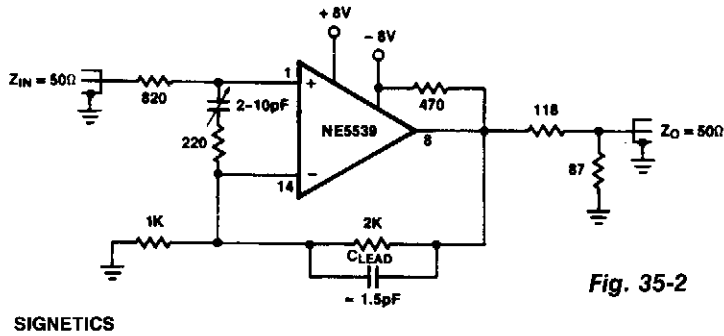
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High-Frequency Inverting Follower  
High-Frequency Noninverting Follower  
Simple Follower  
Voltage Follower

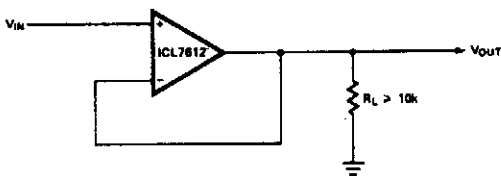
## HIGH-FREQUENCY INVERTING FOLLOWER



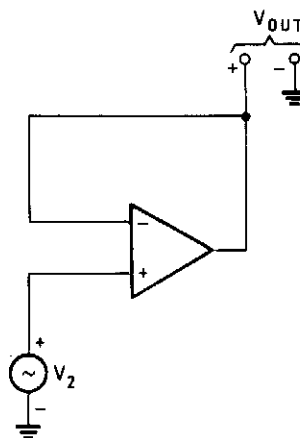
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## SIMPLE FOLLOWER



## VOLTAGE FOLLOWER



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## Frequency Multipliers and Dividers

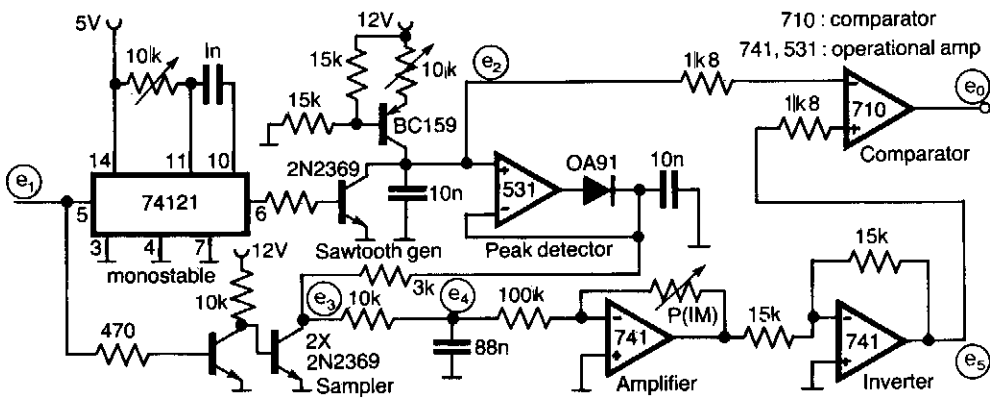
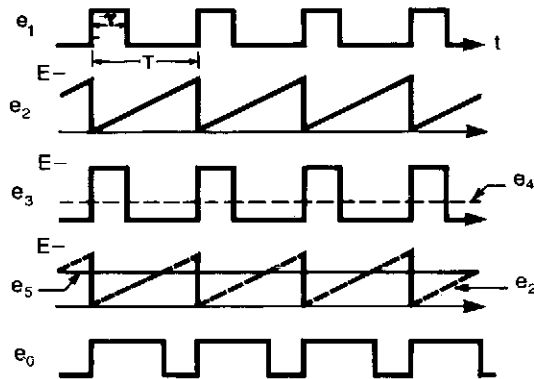
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Pulse-Width Multiplier  
Frequency Doubler  
Digital Frequency Doubler  
Divide-by- $1\frac{1}{2}$  Counter Divider  
Odd-Number Counter Divider  
Single-Chip Frequency Doubler



## PULSE-WIDTH MULTIPLIER



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Fig. 36-1

This circuit for multiplying the width of incoming pulses by a factor greater or less than unity is simple to build and has the feature that the multiplying factor can be selected by adjusting one potentiometer only. The multiplying factor is determined by setting the potentiometer in the feedback of the 741 amplifier. The input pulses  $e_1$ , width  $T$  and repetition period  $T$  is used to trigger a sawtooth generator at its rising edges to produce the waveform  $e_2$  having a peak value of  $E$  volts. This peak value is then sampled by the input pulses to generate the pulse train  $e_3$  having an average value of  $e_4 (= E_T/T)$  which is proportional to  $T$  and independent on  $T$ . The dc voltage  $e_4$  is amplified by a factor  $k$  and compared with sawtooth waveform  $e_2$  giving output pulses of duration  $kT$ . The circuit is capable of operating over the frequency range 10 kHz – 100 kHz. Note that  $k$  should be chosen less than  $T/T$  to ensure accurate pulse-width multiplication.



## DIGITAL FREQUENCY DOUBLER

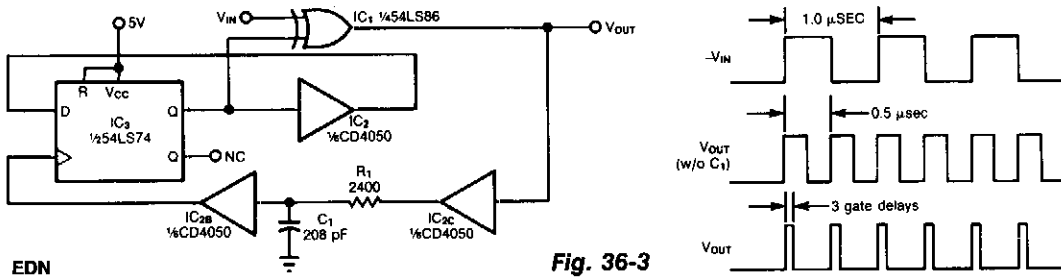


Fig. 36-3

The circuit doubles the frequency of a digital signal by operating on both signal edges. Each transition causes exclusive-OR gate IC<sub>1</sub> to produce a pulse, which clocks flip-flop IC<sub>3</sub> after propagating through buffers IC<sub>2a</sub> and IC<sub>2b</sub>. If you remove capacitor C<sub>1</sub>, the circuit produces narrow output pulses. By including C<sub>1</sub>, you can obtain a desired duty cycle for a given input frequency  $f_{IN}$ . The C<sub>1</sub> value for an approximate 50% duty cycle is:

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{2R_1 f_{IN}}$$

## DIVIDE-BY-1 1/2 CIRCUIT

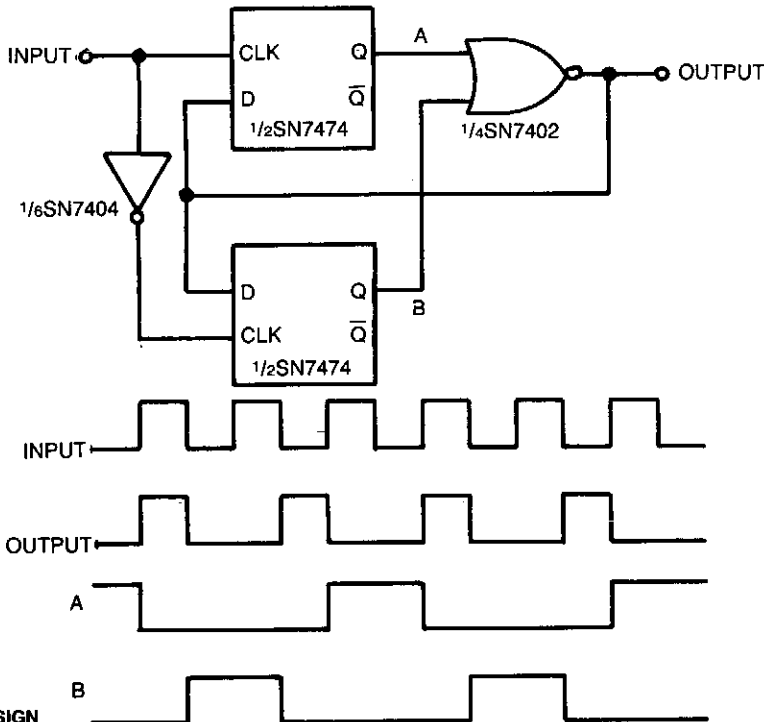
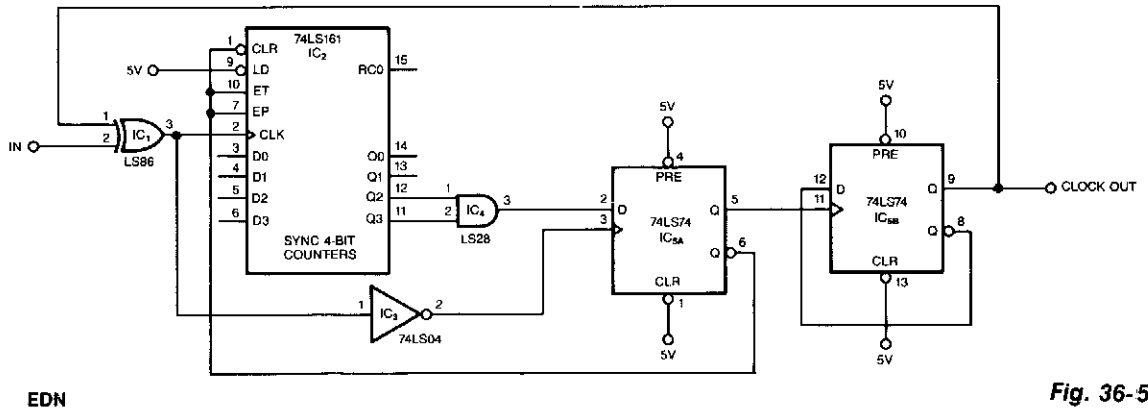


Fig. 36-4

## DIVIDE-BY-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> CIRCUIT (CONT.)

An input signal drives both SN7474 D-type flip-flops, which are positive edge-triggered devices. A low-to-high input signal transition triggers the A flip-flop, while a high-to-low input signal transition triggers the B flip-flop via the SN7404 inverter. Either flip-flop in the high state will cause the output to decrease via the SN7402 NOR gate. This in turn disables the opposite flip-flop from going to the high state. The flip-flop in the high state remains there for one clock period, then it is clocked low. With both flip-flops low, the output increases, enabling the opposite flip-flop to be clocked high one-half clock cycle later. This alternate enabling and disabling action of the flip-flops results in a divide-by-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> function. That is, three clock pulses in, produce two evenly spaced clock pulses out. The circuit has no lock-up states and no inherent glitches. Replacing the NOR gate with an SN7400 NAND gate inverts the A, B, and output signals. By adding simple binary or BCD counters, counting chains, such as divide-by-3, -6, -12, -24, -15, -30, etc., can be generated using the divide-by-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> circuit as a basis.

## ODD-NUMBER COUNTER DIVIDER



EDN

Fig. 36-5

This circuit, shown symmetrically, divides an input by virtually any odd number. The circuit counts  $n + 1/2$  clocks twice to achieve the desired divisor. By selecting the proper  $n$ , which is the decoded output of the LS161 counter, you can obtain divisors from 3 to 31. The circuit, as shown, divides by 25; you can obtain higher divisors by cascading additional LS161 counters. The counter and IC5A form the  $n + 1/2$  counter. Once the counter reaches the decoded count,  $n$ , IC5A ticks off an additional  $1/2$  clock, which clears the counter and puts it in hold. Additionally, IC5A clocks IC5B, which changes the clock phasing through the XOR gate, IC1. The next edge of the input clocks IC5A, which reenables the counter to start counting for an additional  $n + 1/2$  cycles. Although the circuit has been tested at 16 MHz, a worst-case timing analysis reveals that the maximum input frequency is between 7 and 8 MHz.

## SINGLE-CHIP FREQUENCY DOUBLER

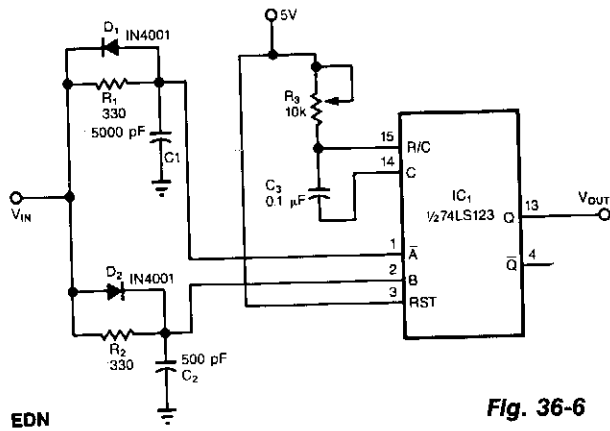


Fig. 36-6

The frequency doubler uses only one IC. Like other doublers, this circuit uses both the rising and falling edges of the input signals to produce digital pulses, thus effectively doubling the input's frequency.

Without the rc networks at IC<sub>1</sub> inputs, IC<sub>1</sub> would not produce any output pulses. However, the rc networks delay one edge with respect to the other. The A input lags the B input for positive-going edges, and the B input lags the A input for negative-going ones. You can vary the output duty cycle from 0 to 100% by varying R<sub>3</sub>. IC<sub>1</sub>'s minimum output pulse width defines the maximum frequency of this circuit.

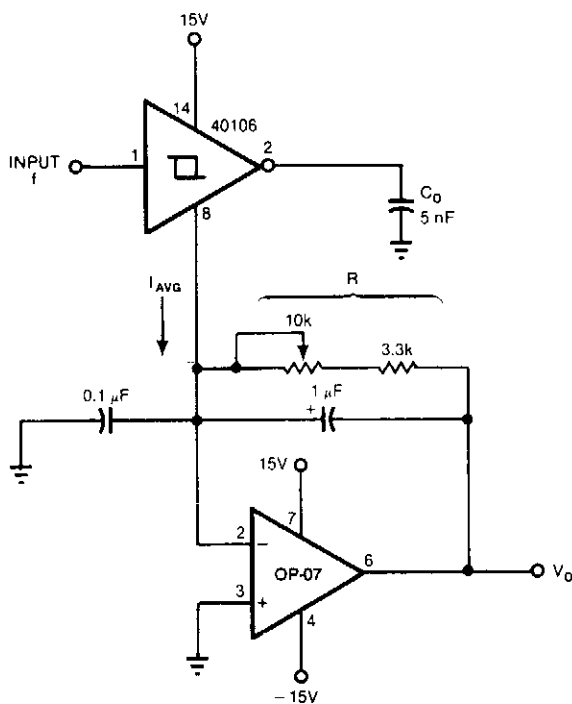
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## Frequency-to-Voltage Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

## FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



Six components can configure a circuit whose output voltage is proportional to its input frequency. The average current ( $I_{AVG}$  from the 40106 Schmitt trigger inverter's ground pin 8) is linearly dependent on the frequency at which  $C_0$  is discharged into the op amp's summing junction. The op amp forces this current to flow through the 13.33-K $\Omega$  feedback resistor, producing a corresponding voltage drop. This frequency-to-voltage converter yields 0 to -10 V output with 0 to 10 kHz input frequencies.

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Fig. 37-1

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## Function Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
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| Precision One Shot                              | Two-Function Signal Generator                        |
| Linear Triangle-Wave Timer                      | Triangle Generator                                   |
| Four-Output Waveform Generator                  | Monostable Operator                                  |
| Function Generator                              | Programmable-Frequency Free-Running<br>Multivibrator |
| Classic Op Amp Astable Multivibrator            | Function Generator                                   |
| Programmable Triangle-/Square-Wave<br>Generator | Programmable-Frequency Astable                       |
| Noninteger Programmable Pulse Divider           | Linear-Ramp Monostable                               |
| XOR Gate Complementary Signal Generator         | Low-Frequency Multivibrator                          |
| Low-Cost FSK Generator                          | Retriggerable One Shot                               |
| Harmonics Generator                             | Astable Multivibrator                                |
| Low-Frequency FM Generators                     | Single-Control Function Generator                    |
| Positive-Triggered Monostable                   | Triangle-/Square-Wave Generator                      |
| Precision Audio Waveform Generator              | Variable Duty Cycle Timer                            |
| Monostable Multivibrator                        | Basic Function Generator                             |
| Versatile $2\phi$ Pulse Generator               | Wide-Range Tunable Function Generator                |
| Fixed-Frequency Generator                       | Sawtooth and Pulse Generator                         |
| Single-Supply Multivibrator                     | Precise Triangle/Square-Wave Generator               |
| Easily Tuned Sine-/Square-Wave Oscillator       | Wide-Range Triangle/Square-Wave Generator            |
| Astable   |  |



### PRECISION ONE SHOT

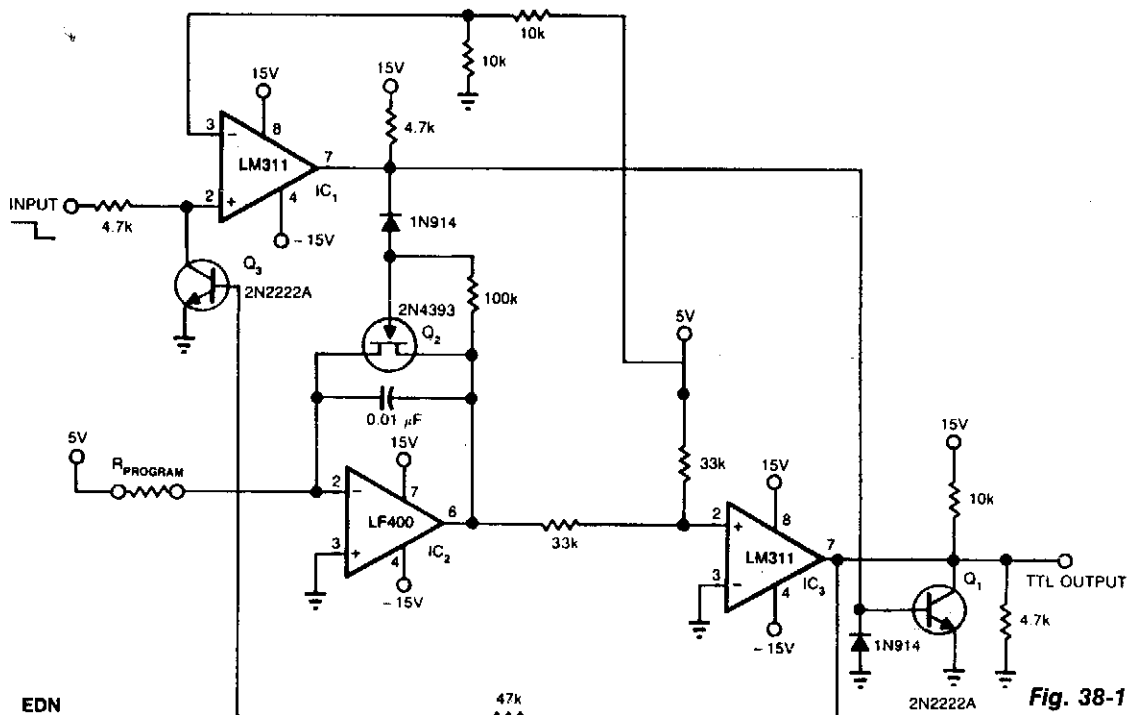


Fig. 38-1

If you need a wide-range, resistor-programmable monostable multivibrator, you can program the circuit for pulse widths from 1  $\mu$ s to 10s— $10^7$ :1 range. A high-to-low transition at the input causes IC1's output to switch low, thereby turning off Q1 and Q2. With the latter transistor turned off, IC3's output increases and the output of IC2 begins to ramp toward the negative supply level at a rate determined by the 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor and the programming resistor. When IC2's output voltage reaches -5 V, IC3's output switches low. If you anticipate input pulses shorter than the desired output pulses, Q3 is necessary. This transistor keeps IC1's input low while an output pulse is present, thereby preventing inadvertent resetting of the one shot.

### LINEAR TRIANGLE-WAVE TIMER

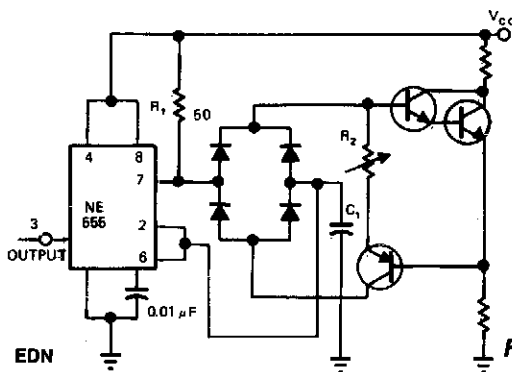
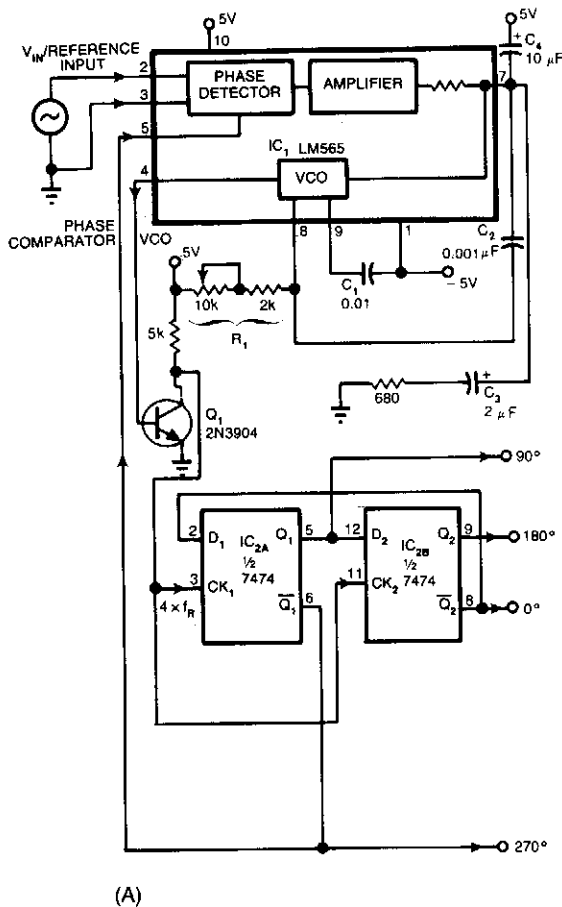


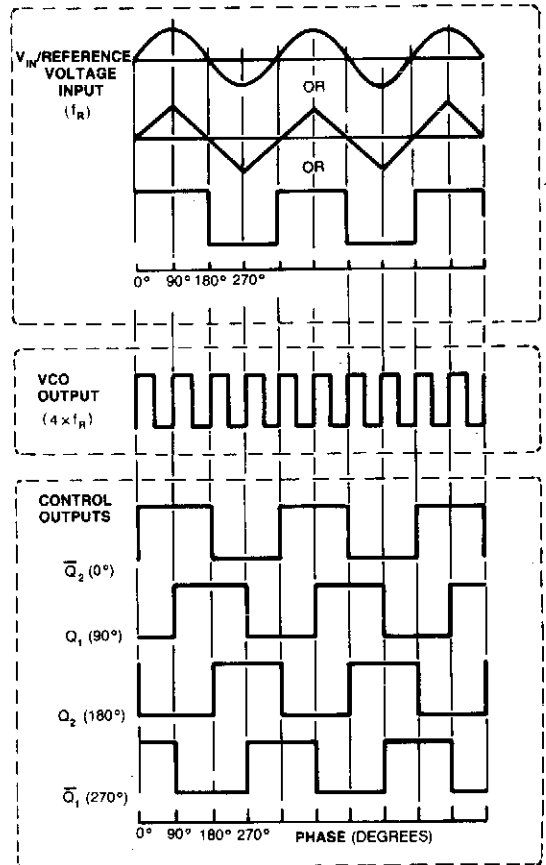
Fig. 38-2

Using one current source for the charge and discharge path in this circuit ensures identical rise and fall times at the capacitor terminal. A Darlington pair ensures identical biasing of the IC during the charge and discharge cycles. The period of the triangle wave is:  $T \approx 0.46V_{CC}/R_2$ .  $V_{CC}$  must be at least 8 V to maintain linearity. At the output at pin 3 of the IC timer, a 50% duty-cycle square wave, frequency tunable by R<sub>2</sub> alone, appears.

## FOUR-OUTPUT WAVEFORM GENERATOR



(A)



(B)

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**Fig. 38-3**

Many applications require control signals that have phase shifts with reference to an input signal. Circuit accepts a sine, square, or triangular wave as an input reference signal and produces square-wave outputs with 0°, 90°, 180°, and 270° phase shifts with respect to the input. Figure 38-3B shows the input and output waveforms. The circuit contains two ICs: an LM565 phase-locked loop and a 7474 dual-D positive edge-triggered flip-flop. R1 and C1 set the free-running frequency of the LM565's VCO. You should adjust R1 so that the frequency is approximately four times that of the input reference signal. The LM565 responds to input signals greater than 10 mV pk-pk; 3 V pk-pk is the chip's maximum allowable input level. Q1 matches the LM565's output to the flip-flops' inputs. The flip-flops' outputs provide the TTL-compatible square-wave signals with 0°, 90°, 180°, and 270° phase shift with reference to the input signal.

## FUNCTION GENERATOR

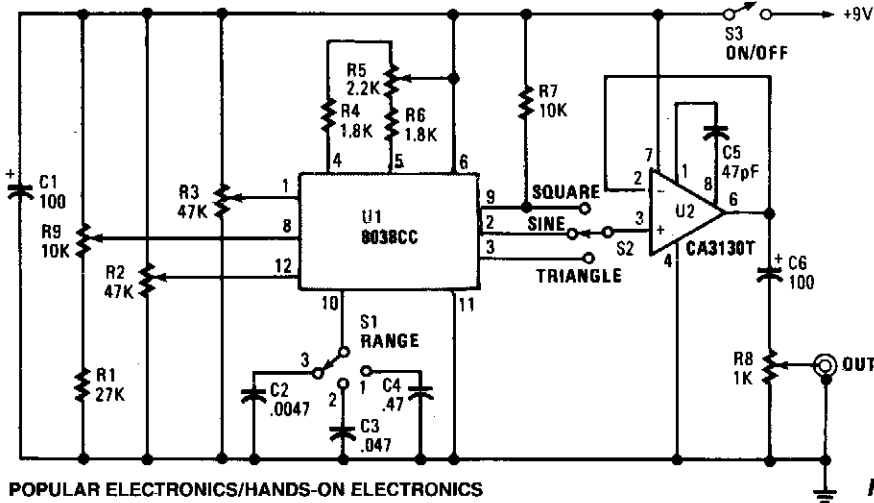
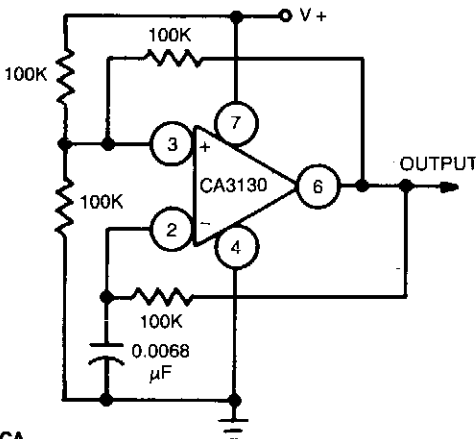


Fig. 38-4

This circuit can output sine, square, and triangular signals of from 15 Hz to 25 kHz in three ranges. The circuit is built around an 8038 function generator that produces the triangular- and square-wave outputs directly from an oscillator. The triangular output is then processed to develop the sine wave. While that method doesn't provide a sufficiently low level of distortion to let you make distortion measurements on audio gear, the degree of purity is high enough for frequency-response tests and a lot of other audio analysis. Three switched capacitors, C2 to C4, set the circuit's frequency range via switch S1. Variable resistor R9 and resistor R1 provide the voltage for controlling the charge and discharge rates of the timing capacitor selected. Resistors R4 to R6 control the charge and discharge currents. Resistor R5 can be adjusted to provide a 1.1 mark/space ratio.

## CLASSIC OP AMP ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



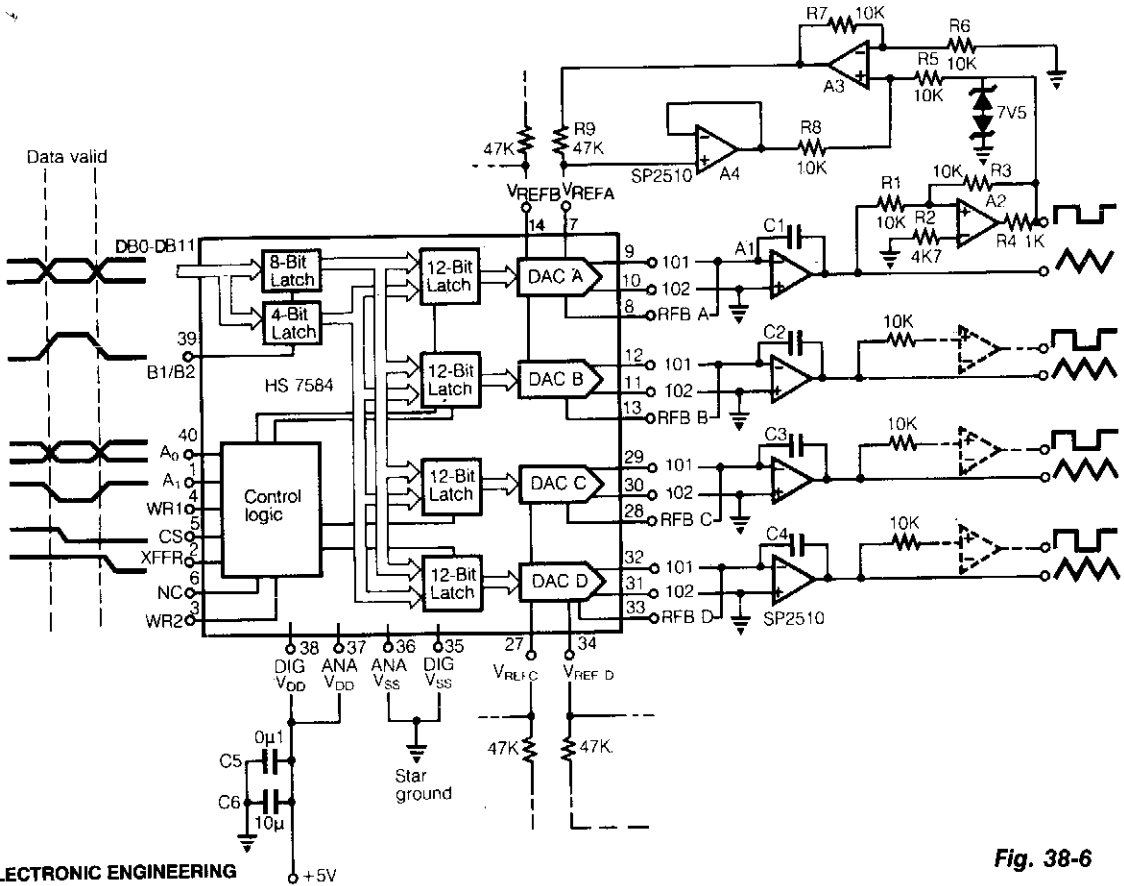
Uses CA3130 BiMOS op amp that operates at a frequency of 1 kHz. With rail-to-rail output swing, frequency is independent of supply voltage, device, and temperature. Only the temperature coefficient of  $R_T$  and  $C_T$  enters into circuit stability.

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Fig. 38-5

## PROGRAMMABLE TRIANGLE-/SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR



**Fig. 38-6**

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The programmable multiple output generator provides the control signals for data converter ATE. Major performance criteria are simple, interfaces to a number of microprocessor systems, low power consumption, stable output timing relationships combined with a minimum of board space. For schematic simplicity only, one output circuit is shown in full.

The monolithic HS7584 provides four current output DAC's with four quadrant multiplication, individual reference input and a feedback resistor. The digitally controlled integrator's frequency is determined by:

$$f = \frac{\text{Digital Input}}{4 R C}$$

$C$  is the value of  $C1$  to  $C4$  and  $R$  is the resistance of the DAC. With the four DACS on a single chip, the resistance matching is good, which results in stable timing relationships of the generator outputs. The output of the comparator  $A2$  determines whether the constant current source provided by  $A3$  and  $A4$  is positive or negative.

## NONINTEGER PROGRAMMABLE PULSE DIVIDER

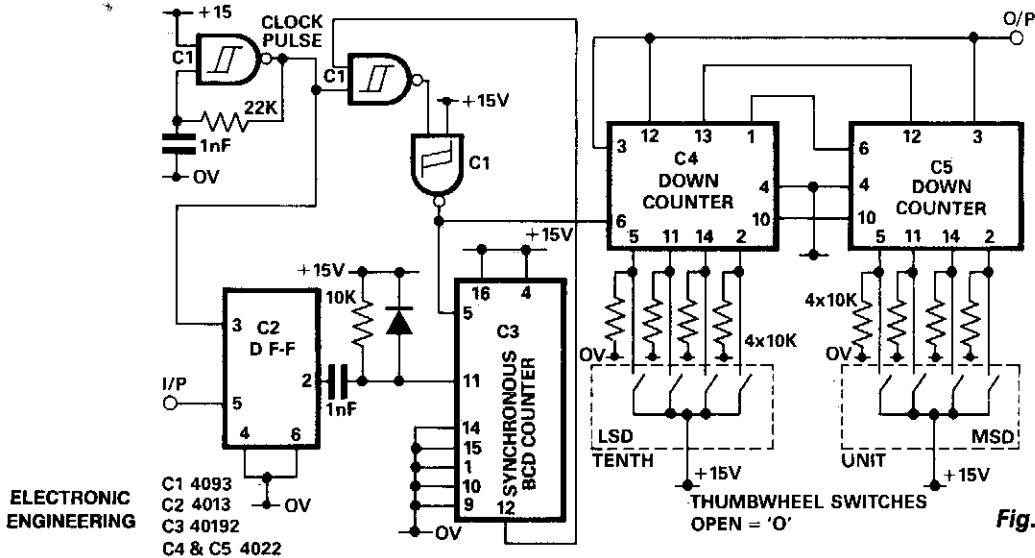


Fig. 38-7

The purpose of D-type flip-flop IC2 is to synchronize the input signal with the clock pulse. When the clock pulse changes from low to high and the input is high, IC2 output is high. Subsequently, IC3 resets to zero and starts counting up. Until the counter counts to ten, the counter is inhibited. Thus, the number of pulses of the output of IC3 is ten times input pulse. The designed frequency of the clock pulse must be ten times higher than the maximum frequency of the input. IC4 and IC5 are cascaded to form a two decade programmable down counter. Since the number of pulses appearing at the input of the down counter is ten times the input to the divider, the effective range of the divisor for this divider is 0.1 to 9.9.

## XOR GATE COMPLEMENTARY SIGNALS GENERATOR

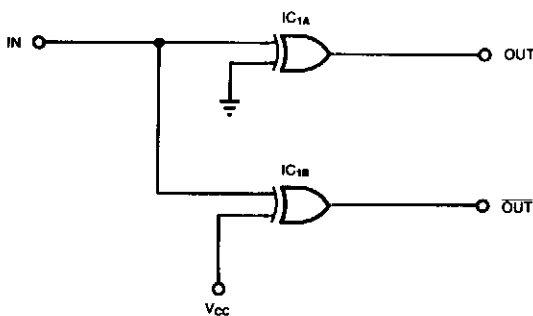
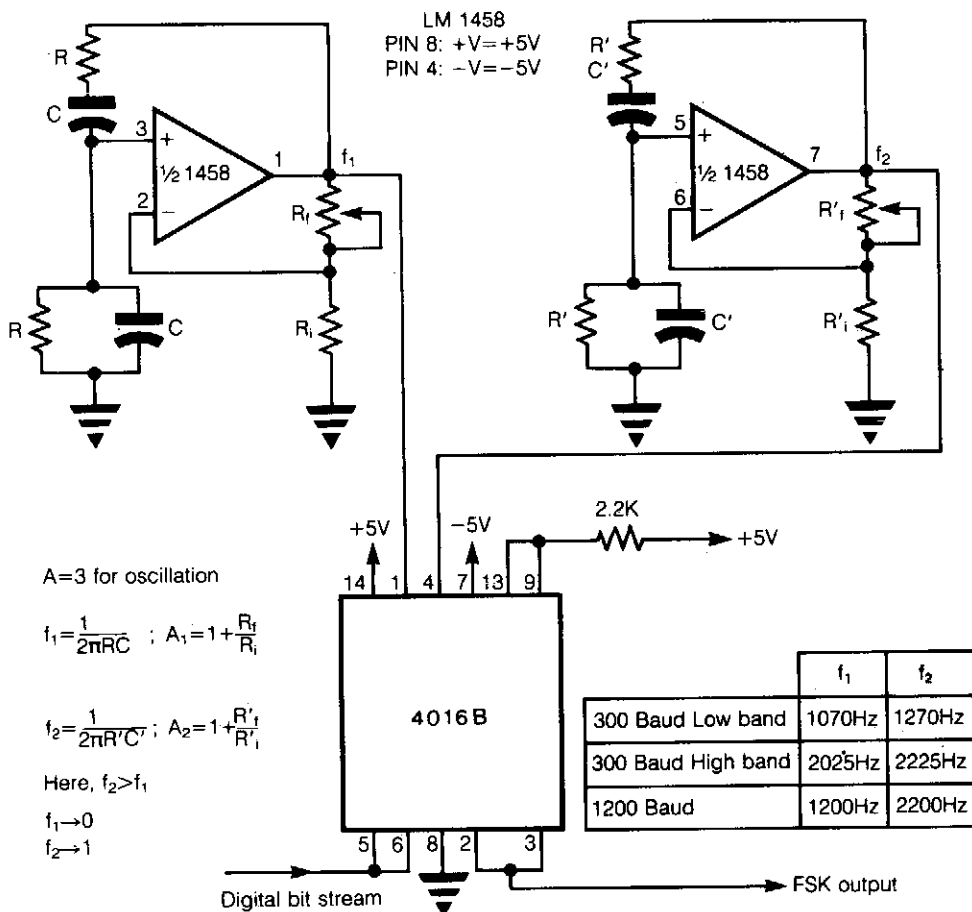


Fig. 38-8

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Some applications, such as driving three-state buffers for data multiplexers or for biphasic clocks in high-speed systems, require complementary signals having a small-time skew and nearly simultaneous transitions. Here, XOR gates function as both inverting and noninverting gates. For CMOS systems, practically any type of XOR gate will work. However, the advanced-CMOS logic (ACL) families have the greatest drive capability, the shortest gate delays, and the tightest manufacturing tolerances. For TTL systems, compatible CMOS types such as the ACT or S/AS86 families are preferable. Do not use low-power TTL versions (LS or ALS), because they have large propagation delay differences when one XOR gate is inverting and the other is noninverting.

## LOW-COST FSK GENERATOR



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**Fig. 38-9**

In FSK, two discrete frequencies are used to represent the binary digits 0 and 1. The heart of the circuit consists of two Wien-bridge oscillators built using a dual op amp LM 1458, for the two frequencies. The two frequencies are enabled corresponding to digital data using two switches in SCL 4016. The control lines of these switches are logically inverted with respect to each other using one of the switches in SCL 4016 as an inverter, so as to enable only one oscillator output at a time. The digital bit stream is used to control the analog switches as shown. Since the switching frequency limit of SCL 4016 is 40 MHz, high-data rates can be easily accommodated. This method comes in handy when expensive FSK generator chips are not readily available; also, the components used in this circuit are easily available off the shelf and are quite cheap.

## HARMONICS GENERATOR

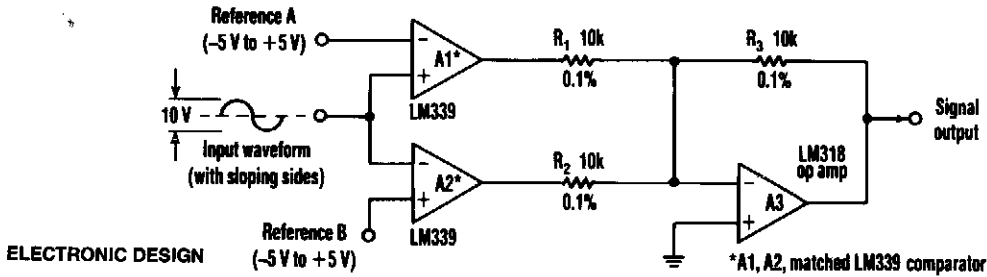


Fig. 38-10

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Two comparators and a summing amplifier that generate differential harmonic spectra comprise a simple frequency multiplier. The resulting circuit can extract harmonics from a sine, triangle, sawtooth, or any other sloped-sided waveform.

With a sloped-input waveform, a comparator produces an output pulse width that's proportional to the input amplitude plus a reference voltage. Changing the reference can vary the pulse width from 0 to 100%. As the pulse width changes, the harmonic spectrum changes, but two comparators combined in the adder eliminate harmonics, depending on the duty cycle. For example, a 50% pulse will lack all the even-numbered harmonics. Similarly, a 25% duty-cycle pulse will be missing multiples of the fourth harmonic and deliver the second, sixth, and tenth harmonics. Accordingly, the circuit generates multiples of the input frequency that might not have existed in the input waveform. Adjusting the references can create virtually any harmonic.

Because comparators A1 and A2 supply differential inputs to the added A3, the adder cancels out equal harmonics. Therefore, both A1 and A2 should have identical ac characteristics, and A3 should have good common-mode rejection and a high slew rate. In particular, R1, R2, and R3 should match within 0.1%. Of course, the accuracy of the circuit depends heavily on the amplitude stability of the input.

## LOW-FREQUENCY FM GENERATORS

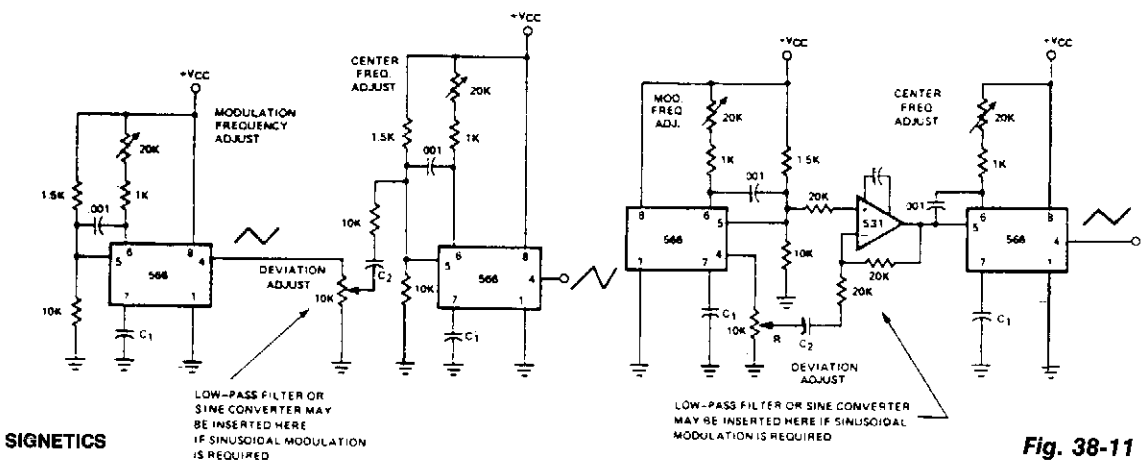


Fig. 38-11

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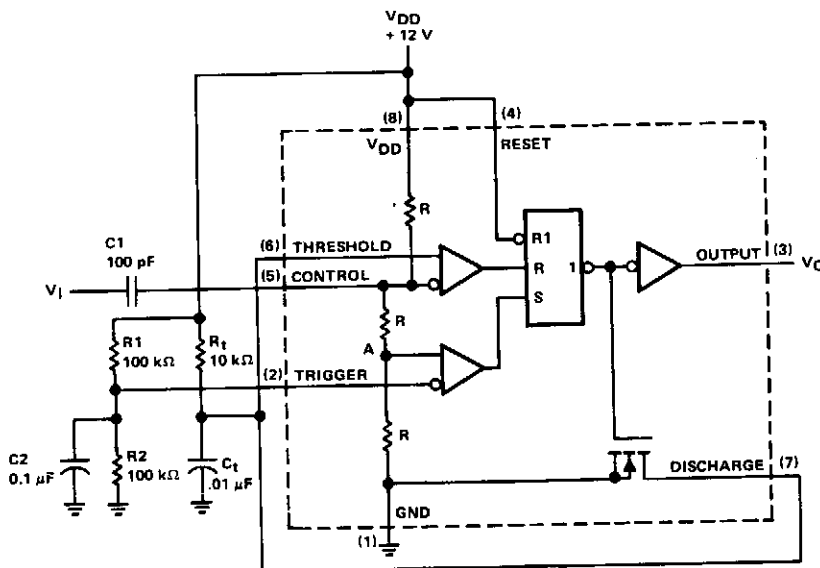
a. Small Frequency Deviations to  $\pm 20\%$

b. Large Frequency Deviations to  $\pm 100\%$

## LOW-FREQUENCY FM GENERATORS (Cont.)

Here are two FM generators for low frequency, less than 0.5 MHz center frequency, applications. Each uses a 566 function generator as a modulation generator and a second 566 as the carrier generator. Capacitor C1 selects the modulation frequency adjustment range and C1 selects the center frequency. Capacitor C2 is a coupling capacitor which only needs to be large enough to avoid distorting the modulating waveform. If a frequency sweep in only one direction is required, the 566 ramp generators given in this section can be used to drive the center generator.

### POSITIVE-TRIGGERED MONOSTABLE



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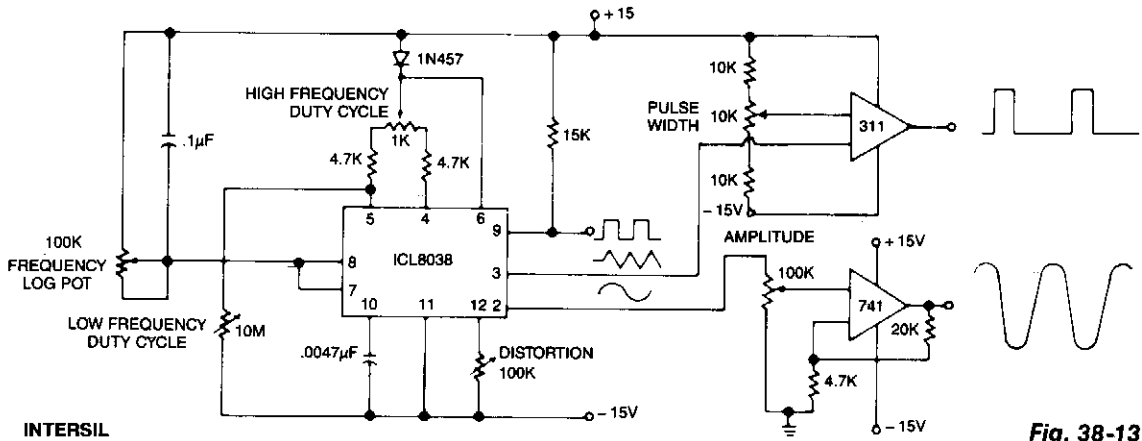
Fig. 38-12

A positive-going trigger pulse can be used to start the timing cycle with the circuit shown. In this design, trigger input pin 2 is biased to 6 V ( $1/2 V_{DD}$ ) by divider R1 and R2. Control input pin 5 is biased to 8 V ( $2/3 V_{DD}$ ) by the internal divider circuit. With no trigger voltage applied, point A is at 4 V ( $1/3 V_{DD}$ ). To turn the timer on, the voltage at point A has to be greater than the 6 V present on pin 2. Positive 5-V trigger pulse  $V_T$  applied to the control input pin 5 is ac coupled through capacitor C1, adding the trigger voltage to the 8 V already on pin 5; this results in 13 V with respect to ground. The output pulse width is determined by the values of  $R_f$  and  $C_f$ .

When voltage at point A is increased to 6.5 V, which is greater than the 6 V on pin 2, the timer cycle is initialized. The output of timer pin 3 increases, turning off discharge transistor pin 7 and allowing  $C_f$  to charge through resistor  $R_f$ . When capacitor  $C_f$  charges to the upper threshold voltage of 8 V ( $2/3 V_{DD}$ ), the flip-flop is reset and output pin 3 decreases. Capacitor  $C_f$  then discharges through the discharge transistor. The timer is not triggered again until another trigger pulse is applied to control input pin 5.

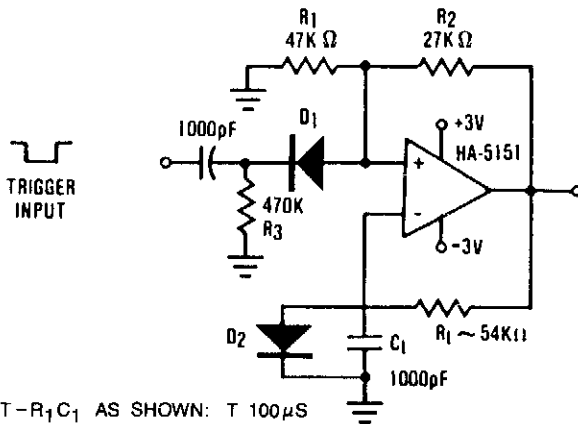


## PRECISION AUDIO WAVEFORM GENERATOR



This circuit generates sinusoidal, square, and triangle waveforms simultaneously. Set the frequency to a particular value or vary it, as shown above. An op amp can be added for extra drive capability and simplified amplitude adjustment. A simple comparator, slicing the triangle waveform, provides continuous duty cycle adjustment at a constant frequency.

## MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



**Fig. 38-14**

The circuit illustrates the usefulness of the HA-5151 as a battery-powered monostable. In this circuit, the ratio is set to .632, which allows the time constant equation to be reduced to:

$$T = R_1 C_1$$

D2 is used to force the output to a defined state by clamping the negative input at +0.6 V. Triggering is set by C1, R3, and D2. An applied trigger pulls the positive input below the clamp voltage, +0.6 V, which causes the output to change state. This state is held because the negative input cannot follow the change because of  $R_1 \cdot C_1$ . This particular circuit has an output pulse width set at approximately 100  $\mu$ s. Use of potentiometers for  $R_1$  and variable capacitors for  $C_1$  will allow for a wide variation in  $T$ .

## VERSATILE 2φ PULSE GENERATOR

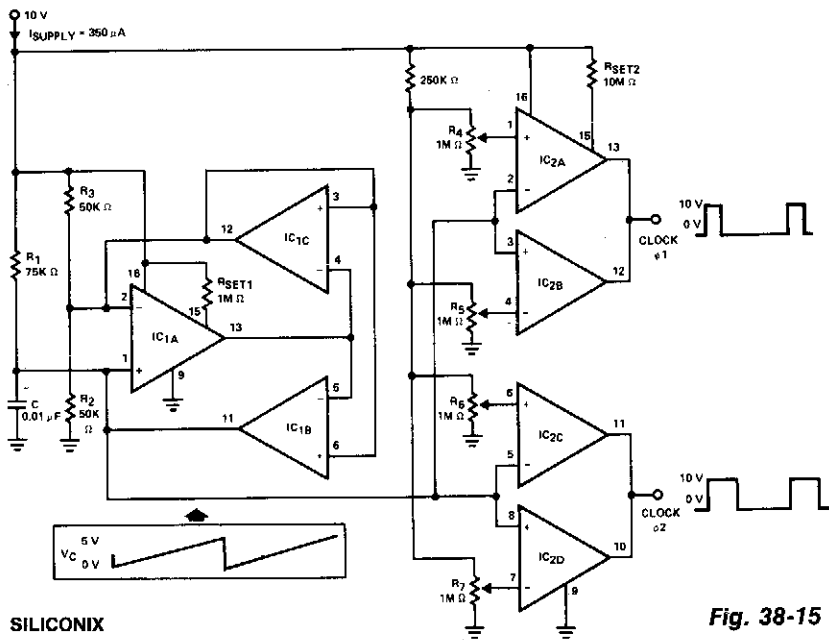


Fig. 38-15

## FIXED-FREQUENCY GENERATOR

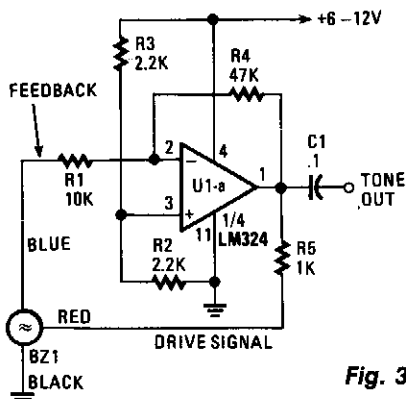


Fig. 38-16

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS/POPULAR ELECTRONICS

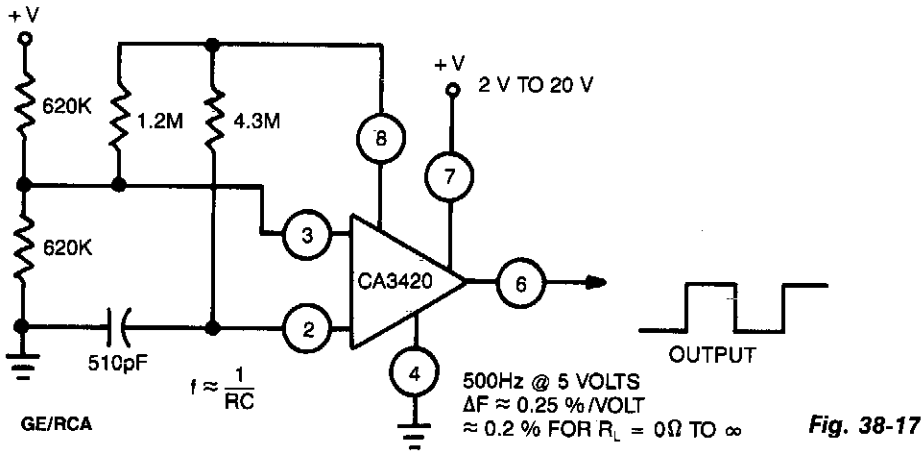
A single op amp, one fourth of an LM324 quad op amp, is configured as a standard inverting amplifier. At power up, a positive voltage is applied to the noninverting input of U1, via R3, forcing its output high. That high output travels along three paths. The first path is the tone output. Along the second path, by way of R5, that high is used as the drive

signal for BZ1. In the third path, the high output of U1 is fed back, via R4, to the inverting input of U1. That forces U1's output to go low. And that low, when fed back to the inverting input of U1, causes the op amp output again to a high, and the cycle repeats itself. As configured, U1 provides a voltage gain of 4.7 (gain =  $R4/R1$ ).

The outer ring of the piezo element is usually connected to the circuit ground. The large inner circle serves as the driven area, and the small elongated section supplies the feedback signal. Resistor R5 sets BZ1's output-volume level. That level can be increased by decreasing R5 for example, to 470  $\Omega$ . To decrease the volume, increase R5 to about 2.2 K $\Omega$ , or so.

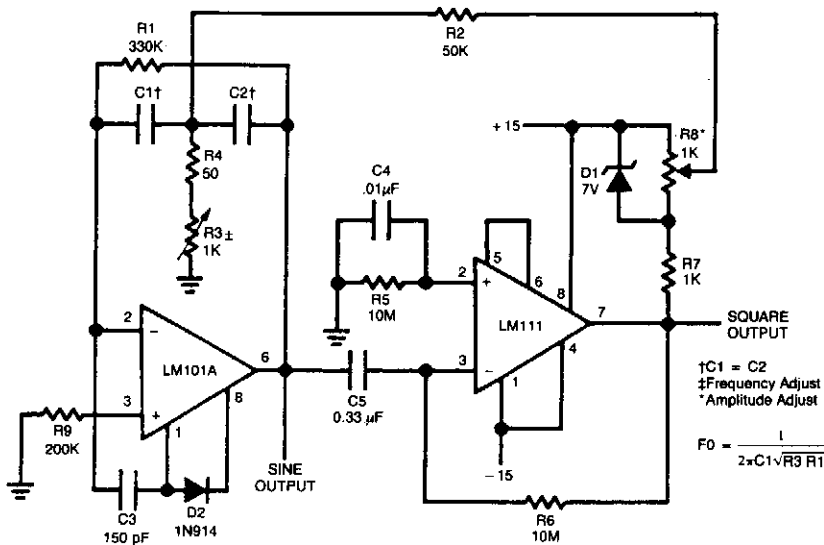
Resistors R2 and R3 set the bias for op amp U1's positive input pin 3 to half of the supply-voltage level. That allows for a maximum voltage swing at U1's output. Although a quad op amp is specified, almost any similar low cost single or dual op amp will work for U1a.

## SINGLE-SUPPLY MULTIVIBRATOR



This multivibrator uses a CA3420 BiMOS op amp to provide improved frequency stability. The output frequency remains essentially independent of supply voltage. Because of the inherent buffering action of pin 6, frequency shift is approximately 0.2% when  $R_L$  varies between zero  $\Omega$  to infinity.

## EASILY TUNED SINE-WAVE/SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



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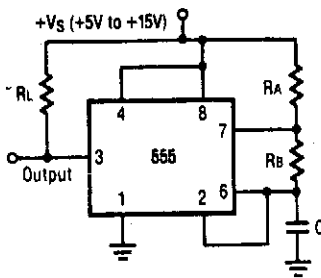
**Fig. 38-18**

## EASILY TUNED SINE-WAVE / SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR (Cont.)

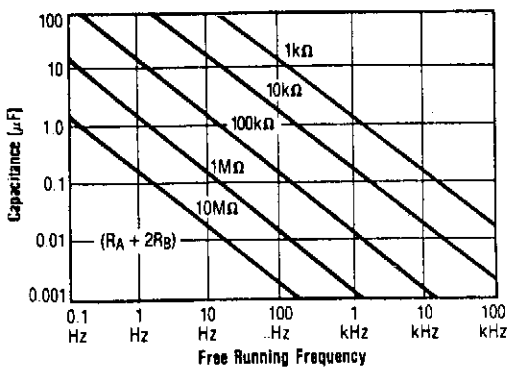
The circuit will provide both a sine- and square-wave output for frequencies from below 20 Hz to above 20 kHz. The frequency of oscillation is easily tuned by varying a single resistor. This is a considerable advantage over Wien-Bridge circuits where two elements must be tuned simultaneously to change frequency. Also, the output amplitude is relatively stable when the frequency is changed. An amp is used as a tuned circuit, driven by square wave from a voltage comparator. The frequency is controlled by R1, R2, C1, C2, and R3, with R3 used for tuning. Tuning the filter does not affect its gain or bandwidth, so the output amplitude does not change with frequency.

A comparator is fed with the sine-wave output to obtain a square wave. The square wave is then fed back to the input of the tuned circuit to cause oscillation. Zener diode, D1, stabilizes the amplitude of the square wave fed back to the filter input. Starting is insured by R6 and C5 which provide dc negative feedback around the comparator. This keeps the comparator in the active region. Distortion ranges between 0.75% and 2% depending on the setting of R3. Although greater tuning range can be accomplished by increasing the size of R3 beyond 1 K $\Omega$ , distortion becomes excessive. Decreasing R3 lower than 50  $\Omega$  can make the filter oscillate by itself.

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**Free Running Frequency vs.  $R_A$ ,  $R_B$  and C**



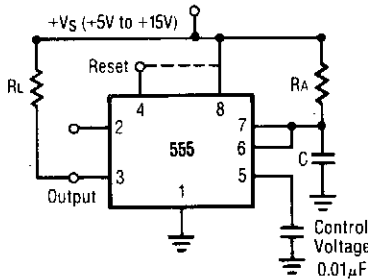
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**Fig. 38-19**

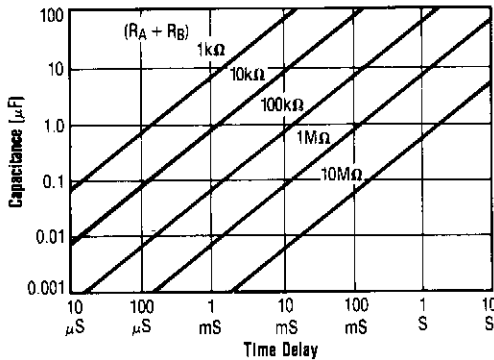
This astable will trigger itself and run free as a multivibrator. The external capacitor charges through  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  and discharges through  $R_B$  only. Thus, the duty cycle is set by the ratio of these two resistors, and the capacitor charges and discharges between  $1/3 V_S$  and  $2/3 V_S$ . The charge and discharge times, and therefore frequency, are independent of supply voltage. The free-running frequency versus  $R_A$ ,  $R_B$  and C is shown in the graph.



## MONOSTABLE OPERATION



**Time Delay vs.  $R_A$ ,  $R_B$  and  $C$**



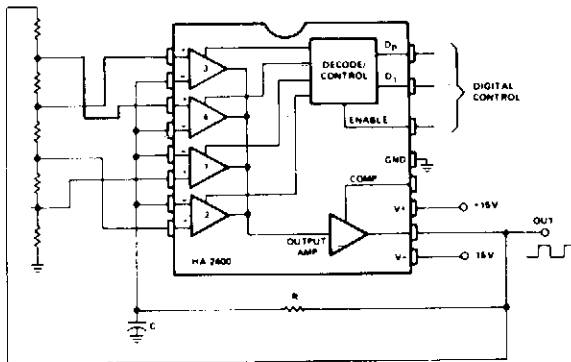
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**Fig. 38-22**

In this mode, the timer functions as a one shot. The external capacitor is initially held discharged by a transistor internal to the timer. Applying a negative trigger pulse to pin 2 sets the flip-flop, driving the output high, and releasing the short circuit across the external capacitor. The voltage across the capacitor increases with the time constant  $\tau = R_A C$  to  $2/3 V_S$ , where the comparator resets the flip-flop and discharges the external capacitor. The output is now in the low state.

Circuit triggering takes place when the negative-going trigger pulse reaches  $1/3 V_S$ ; the circuit stays in the output high state until the set time elapses. The time the output remains in the high state is  $1.1 R_A C$  and can be determined by the graph. A negative pulse applied to pin 4 (reset) during the timing cycle will discharge the external capacitor and start the cycle over again beginning on the positive-going edge of the reset pulse. If reset function is not used, pin 4 should be connected to  $V_S$  to avoid false resetting.

## PROGRAMMABLE-FREQUENCY, FREE-RUNNING MULTIVIBRATOR

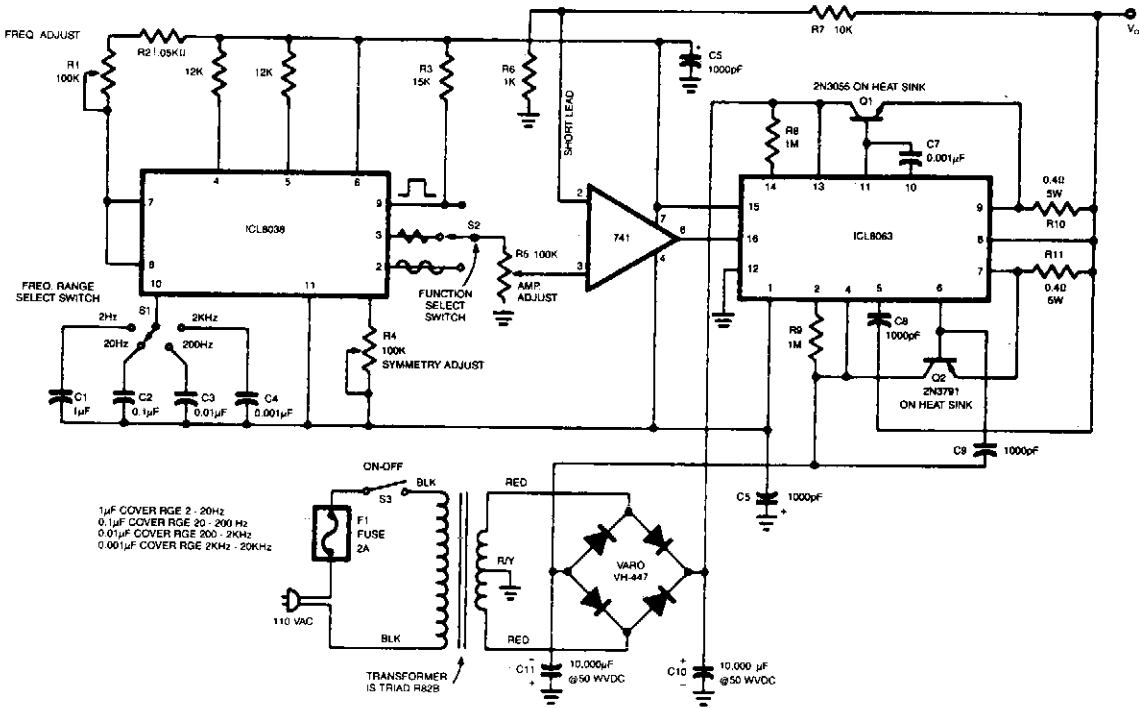


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**Fig. 38-23**

This is the simplest of any programmable oscillator circuit, since only one stable timing capacitor is required. The output square wave is about 25 V pk-pk, and has rise and fall times of about  $0.5 \mu\text{s}$ . If a programmable attenuator circuit is placed between the output and the divider network, 16 frequencies can be produced with two HA-200's and still only one timing capacitor.

## FUNCTION GENERATOR



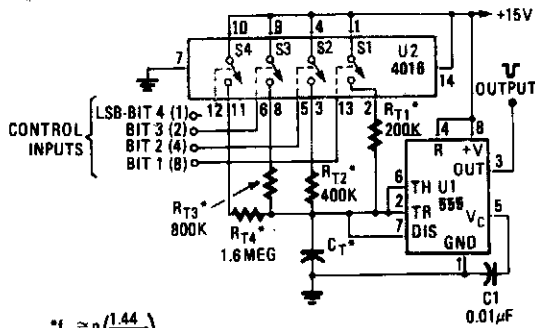
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Fig. 38-24

This generator will supply sine, triangular, and square waves from 2 Hz to 20 kHz. This complete test instrument can be plugged into a standard 110 Vac line for power.  $V_{OUT}$  will be up to  $\pm 25$  V (50 V pk-pk across loads as small as  $10 \Omega$  (about 2.5 A maximum output current).

Capacitor working voltages should be greater than 50 Vdc and all resistors should be  $\frac{1}{2}$  W, unless otherwise indicated. The interconnecting leads from the 741 pins 2 and 3 to their respective resistors should be kept short, less than 2 inches if possible; longer leads might result in oscillation. Full output swing is possible to about 5 kHz; after that the output begins to taper off because of the slew rate of the 741, until at 20 kHz the output swing will be about  $20 V_{pp} \pm 10$  V. This problem can be remedied by simply using an op amp with a higher slew rate, such as the LF356.

## PROGRAMMABLE-FREQUENCY ASTABLE



$$*f_o \approx n \left( \frac{1.44}{R_T C_T} \right)$$

WHERE,

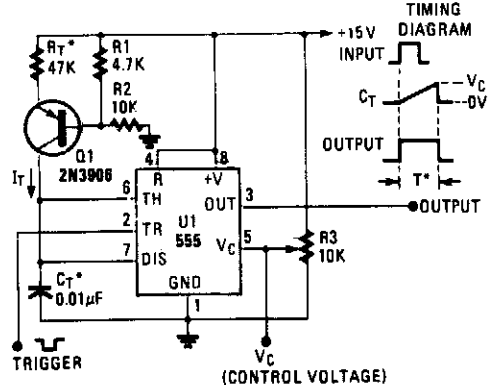
n is DIGITAL INPUT WORD:  $1 \leq n \leq 15$

(AS SHOWN, WITH BASE  $R_T$  OF 1.6 MEG,  $100 \text{ Hz} < f_o < 1500 \text{ Hz}$ ).

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Fig. 38-25

## LINEAR-RAMP MONOSTABLE



\*FOR  $V_+$  OF 15V:

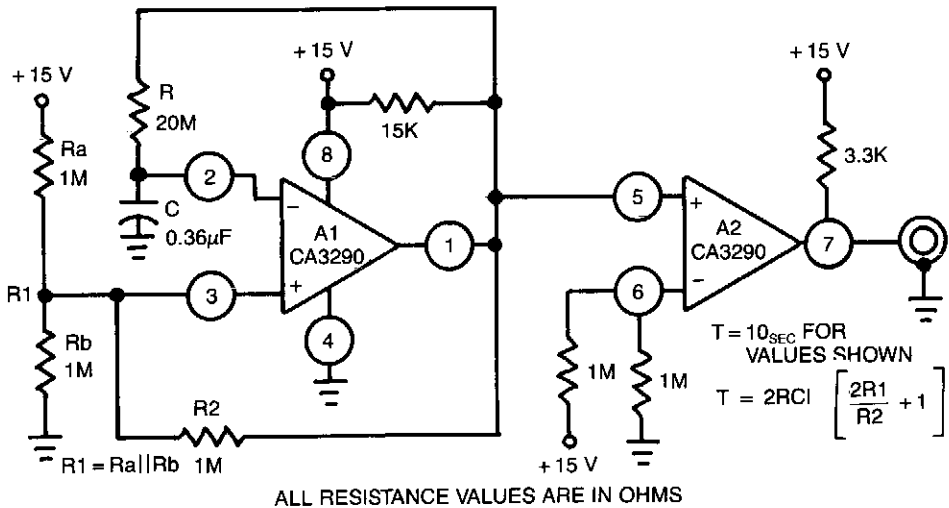
$$T = \frac{V_C C_T}{I_T} \approx \frac{4.2}{R_T} \quad T \approx 0.24 V_C R_T C_T$$

(AS SHOWN,  $T_{\text{MAX}} \approx 1 \text{ MS}$  WITH  $V_C = 10\text{V}$ .)

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Fig. 38-26

## LOW-FREQUENCY MULTIVIBRATOR



$$T = 10_{\text{SEC}} \text{ FOR VALUES SHOWN}$$

$$T = 2RC1 \left[ \frac{2R1}{R2} + 1 \right]$$

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS

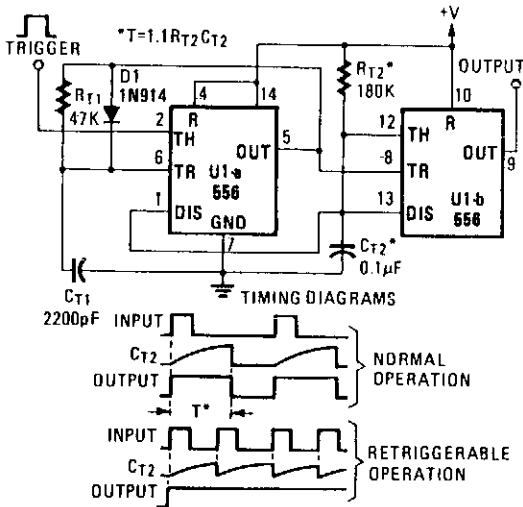
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Fig. 38-27

This circuit uses half the CA3290 BiMOS dual voltage comparator as conventional multivibrator. The second half maintains frequency against effects of output loading. Large values of timing resistor, R1, assure long time delays with low-leakage capacitors.



## RETRIGGERABLE ONE SHOT



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Fig. 38-28

## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

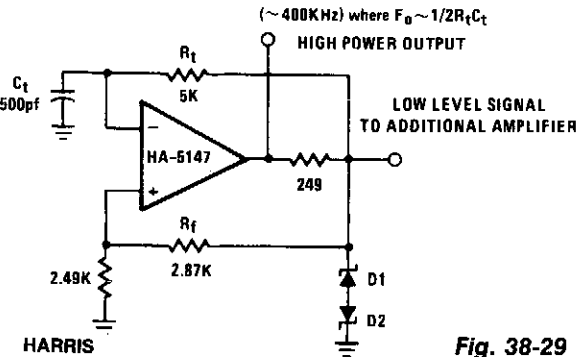
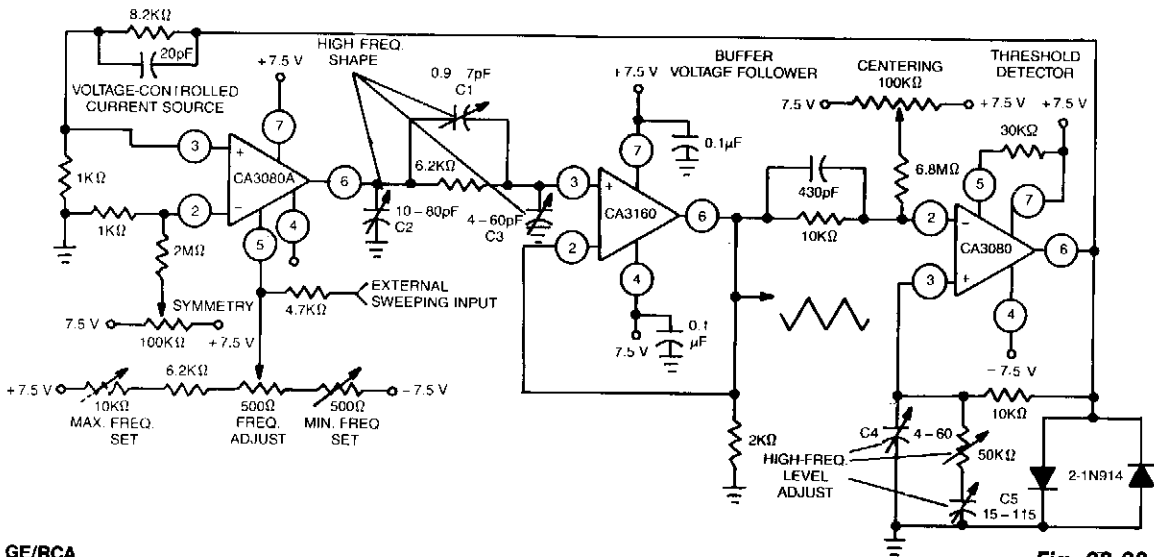


Fig. 38-29

The power bandwidth of the HA-5147 extends the circuit's frequency range to approximately 500 kHz.  $R_t$  can be made adjustable to vary the frequency if desired. Any timing errors because of  $V_{OS}$  or  $I_{bias}$  have been minimized by the precision characteristics of the HA-5147. D1 and D2, if used, should be matched to prevent additional timing errors. These clamping diodes can be omitted by tying  $R_t$  and positive feedback resistor  $R_f$  directly to the output.

## SINGLE-CONTROL FUNCTION GENERATOR



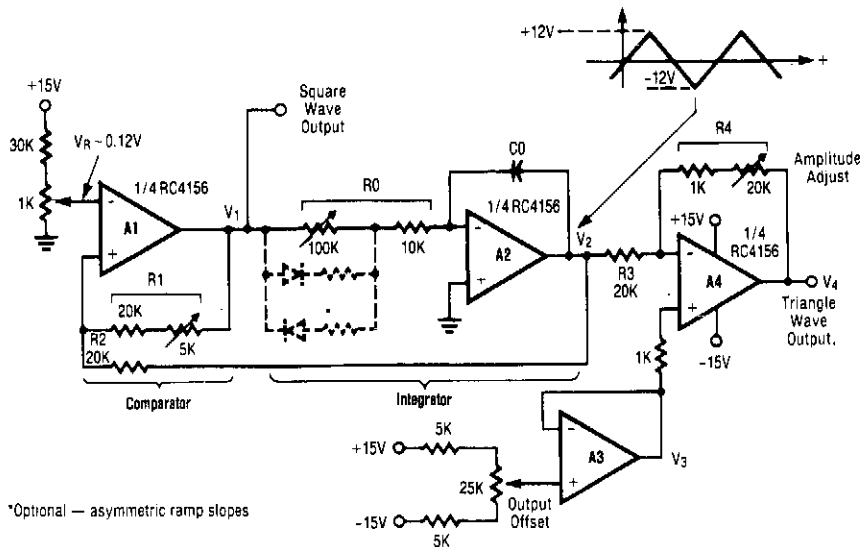
GE/RCA

Fig. 38-30

## SINGLE-CONTROL FUNCTION GENERATOR (Cont.)

This function generator, with an adjustment range in excess of 1,000,000 to 1, uses a CA3160 BiMOS op amp as a voltage follower, a CA3080 OTA as a high-speed comparator, and a CA3080 as a programmable-current source. Three variable capacitors, C1, C2, and C3 shape the triangular signal between 500 kHz and 1 MHz. Capacitors C4 and C5, and the trimmer potentiometer in series with C5, maintain essentially constant ( $\pm 10\%$ ) amplitude to 1 MHz.

### TRIANGLE-/SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR



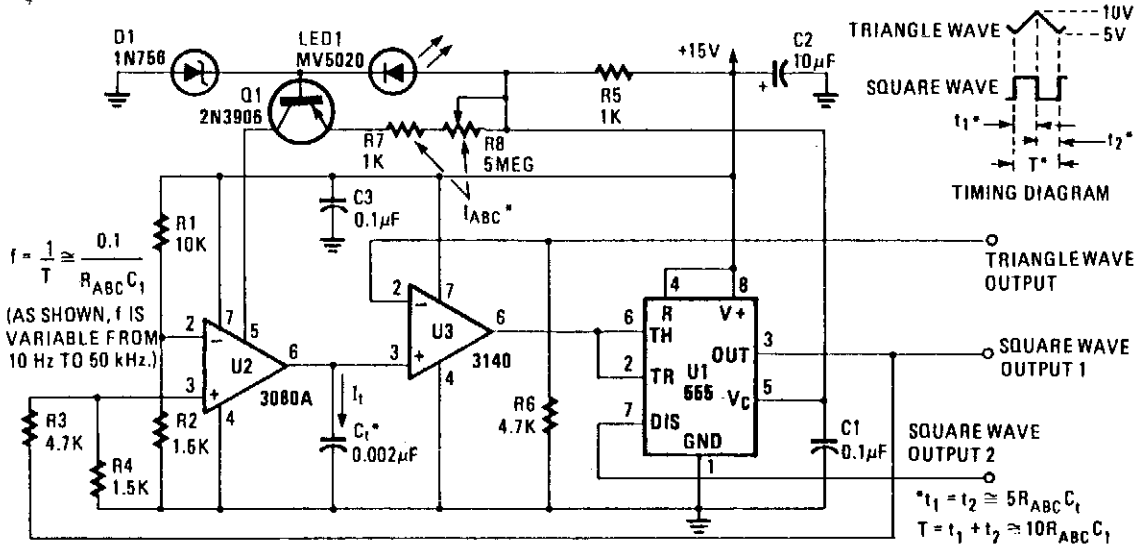
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Fig. 38-31

This circuit uses a positive-feedback loop closed around a combined comparator and integrator. When power is applied, the output of the comparator will switch to one of two states, to the maximum positive or maximum negative voltage. This applies a peak input signal to the integrator, and the integrator output will ramp either down or up, opposite of the input signal. When the integrator output, which is connected to the comparator input, reaches a threshold set by R1 and R2, the comparator will switch to the opposite polarity. This cycle will repeat endlessly, the integrator charging positive then negative, and the comparator switching in a square-wave fashion.



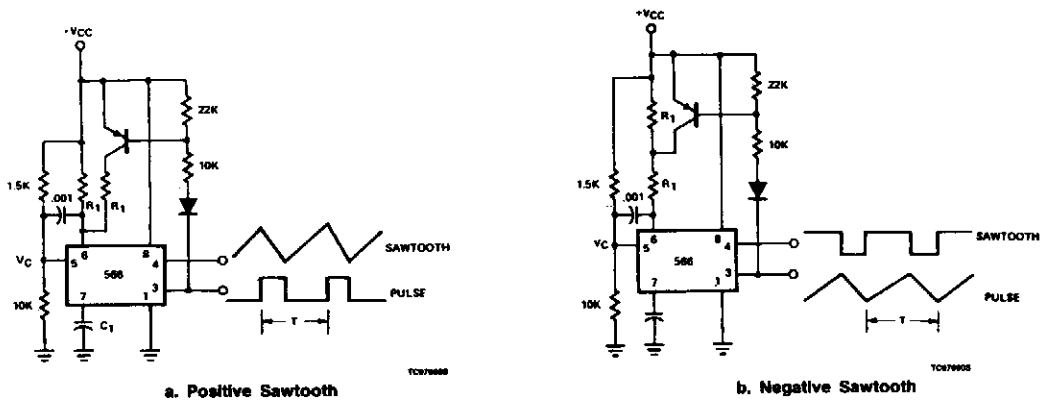
## WIDE-RANGE TUNABLE FUNCTION GENERATOR



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Fig. 38-34

## SAWTOOTH AND PULSE GENERATOR



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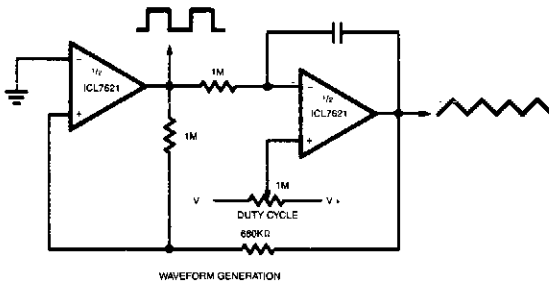
Fig. 38-35

The pin 3 output of the 555 can be used to provide different charge and discharge currents for  $C_1$  so that a sawtooth output is available at pin 4 and a pulse at pin 3. The pnp transistor should be well saturated to preserve good temperature stability. The charge and discharge times can be estimated by using the formula:

$$T = \frac{R_T C_1 V_{CC}}{5(V_{CC} - V_C)}$$

where  $R_T$  is the combined resistance between pin 6 and  $V_{CC}$  for the interval considered.

### PRECISE TRIANGLE-/ SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

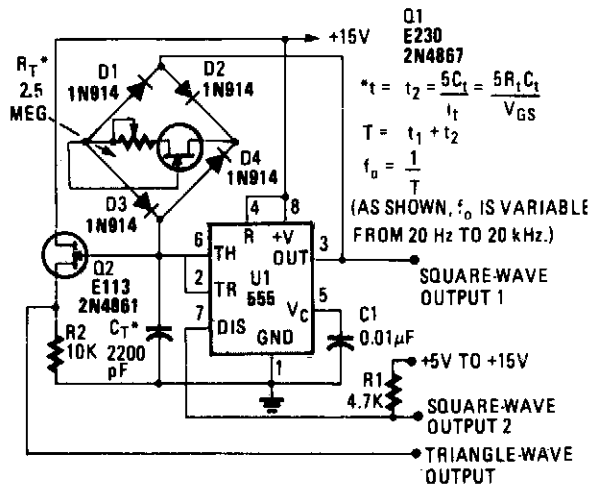


INTERSIL

Fig. 38-36

Since the output range swings exactly from rail to rail, frequency and duty cycle are virtually independent of power supply variations.

### WIDE-RANGE TRIANGLE-/ SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR



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Fig. 38-37

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## Games

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Coin Flipper  
Who's First  
Electronic Dice

## COIN FLIPPER

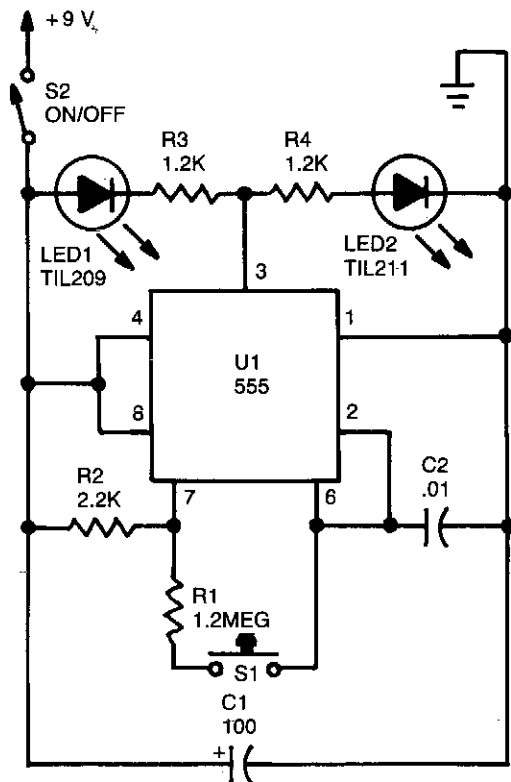
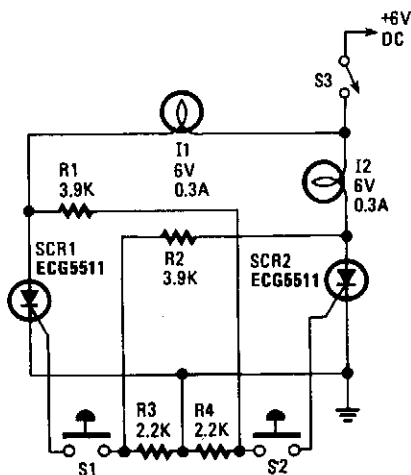


Fig. 39-1

POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

## WHO'S FIRST



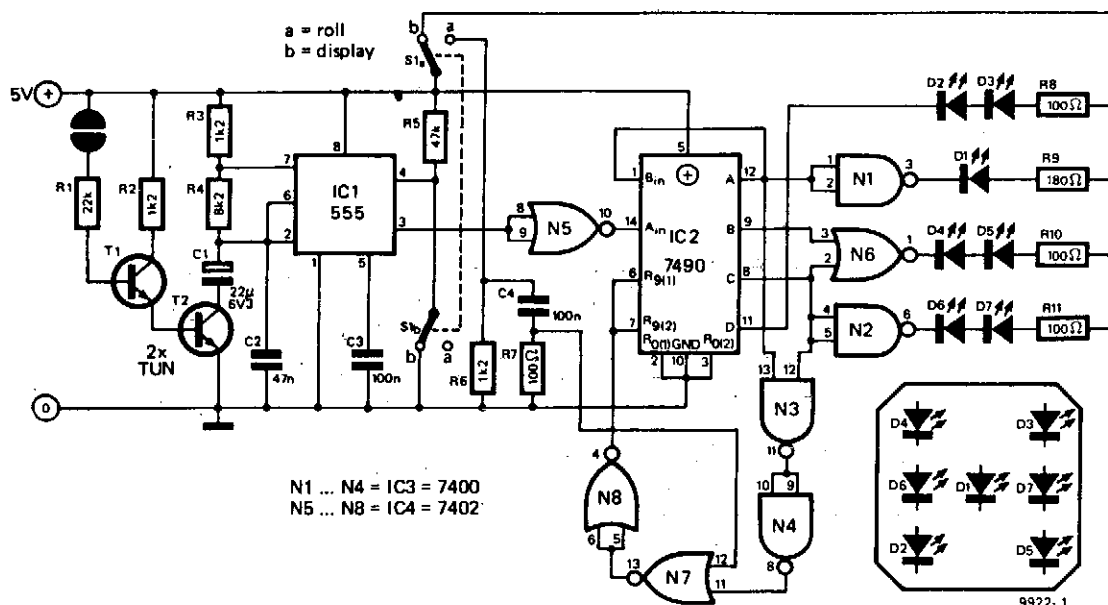
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 39-2

The circuit is basically a 555 astable circuit that divides two LEDs, LED1 and LED2. LED2 is switched on when the output of U1 is high, and LED1 is activated when its output is low. When U1 oscillates, LED1 and LED2 switch on alternately as the output of U1 switches from state to state. Resistor R1's value is high in comparison to R2, so the waveform at the output is a square wave with a mark/space ratio of nearly one-to-one. When you release S1, you break the circuit and U1 latches whatever the output state happens to be at the time.

Using two SCRs, this control circuit is designed to lock out the other SCR when one has been triggered, so only one lamp will light. Indicator lamp I1 is controlled by SCR1. The operator simply presses switch S1. Lamp I2 is similarly controlled by S2 and SCR2. With both switches open, neither lamp is lit. The result is insufficient gate current to trigger SCR2 into conduction, so lamp I2 does not light. If S2 is pressed first, the reverse situation occurs. Once one of the SCRs is activated, it is necessary to open S3 to turn the light off.

## ELECTRONIC DICE



ELEKTOR

Fig. 39-3

The basic die circuit is given. A 555 timer, IC1, is connected as an astable multivibrator. This feeds clock pulses to divide-by-six counter IC2 the outputs of which are decoded by gates N1 to N6 to drive an array of LEDs in the familiar die pattern. When switch S1 is in position b, the reset input of IC1 decreases and the oscillator is inhibited. Power is fed to the LEDs via S1b so that the display is activated. When the die is *rolled* by switching S1 to position a, the display is blanked. C4 is connected to positive supply via S1a, producing a short pulse which resets IC2 via N7 and N8. The reset input of IC1 is pulled high via R5, so the multivibrator begins to oscillate and feeds clock pulses to IC2 via N5. When S1 is switched back to position a, the multivibrator is again inhibited. Then, the counter stops and power is applied to the LEDs which display the value of the *throw*.



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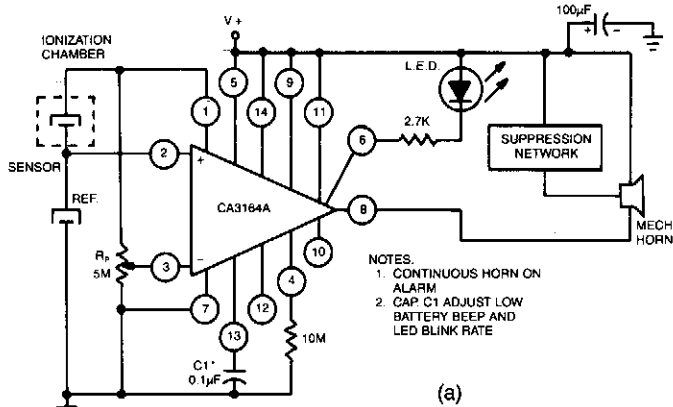
## Gas and Smoke Detectors

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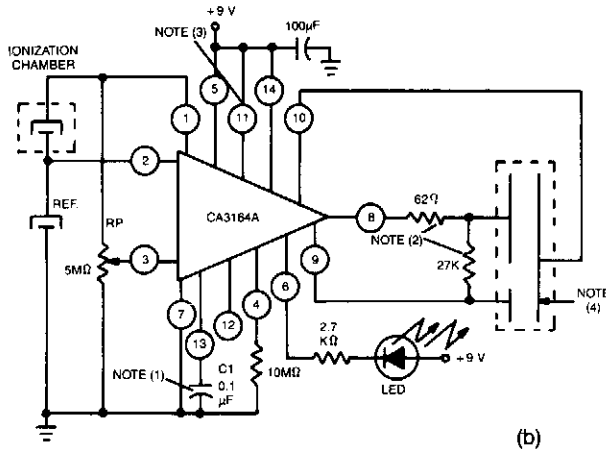
|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Smoke Detector   | Gas/Smoke Detector |
| Furnace Exhaust Gas Temperature<br>Monitor with Low-Supply Detection | Smoke Detector     |
| Methane Concentration Detector with<br>Linearized Output             | Smoke Detector     |
| Smoke/Gas/Vapor Detector   | Gas/Smoke Detector |
|  | SCR Smoke Alarm    |

## SMOKE DETECTOR



\* POLYCARBONATE OR EQUIVALENT  
INSULATION RESISTANCE > 10GΩ  
APPROX. 1 nA LEAKAGE

ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS



**NOTES:**

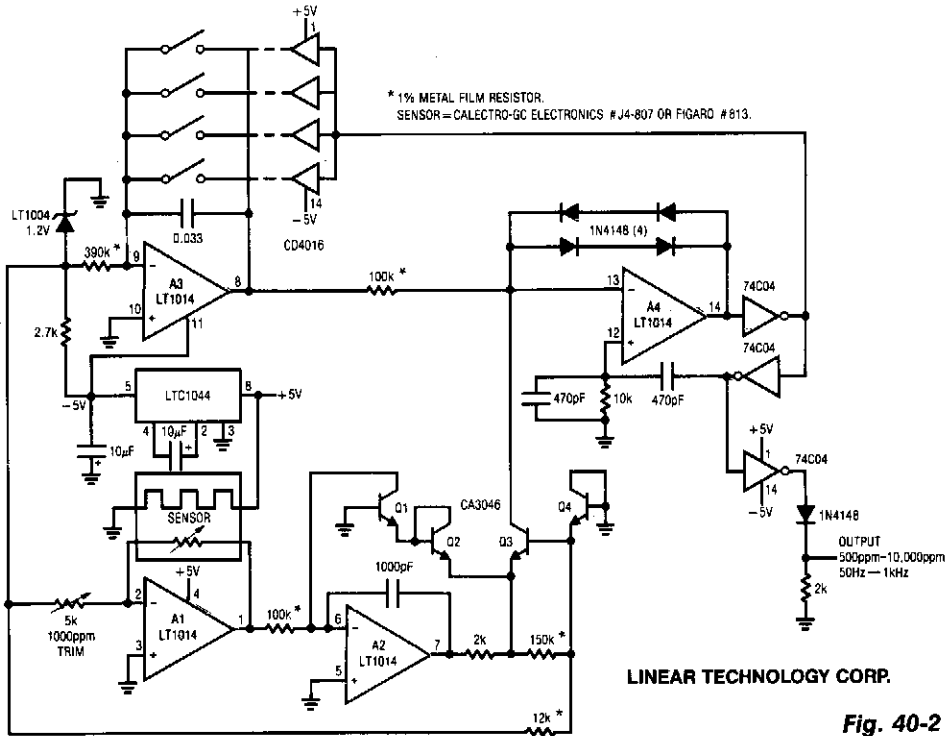
- (1) POLYCARBONATE OR EQUIVALENT. INSULATION RESISTANCE  $\wedge$  10GΩ. APPROXIMATELY 1 nA LEAKAGE. C1 ADJUSTS LOW BATTERY BEEP AND LED BLINK RATE.
- (2) RESISTOR VALUES MAY VARY DEPENDING UPON THE PIEZO ELECTRIC HORN USED.
- (3) CONTINUOUS HORN-ON ALARM AS SHOWN. FOR INTERMITTENT HORN SOUND, RETURN PIN 11 TO GROUND THROUGH 3.9 MΩ RESISTOR
- (4) TYPICAL PIEZO HORNS:  
GULTON #101FB  
LINDEN LABORATORIES #70046

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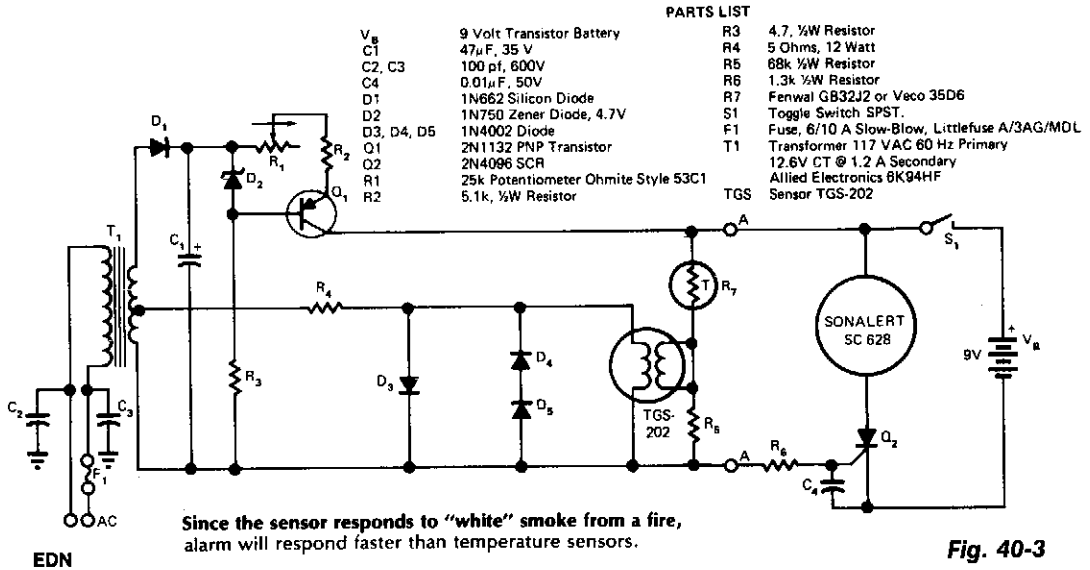
**Fig. 40-1**

Use CA3164A BiMOS detector/alarm system. For operation as smoke detector with electromechanical horn (Fig. 40-1a), the output of driver at terminal 8 is used. Large npn transistor Q3, with an active pull-up and transistor Q2 provide over 300 mA of drive current. For operation as a smoke detector with a piezoelectric horn (Fig. 40-1b), the circuit requires output from a second inverting amplifier at terminal 10, as well as the output from terminal 8.

# METHANE CONCENTRATION DETECTOR WITH LINEARIZED OUTPUT



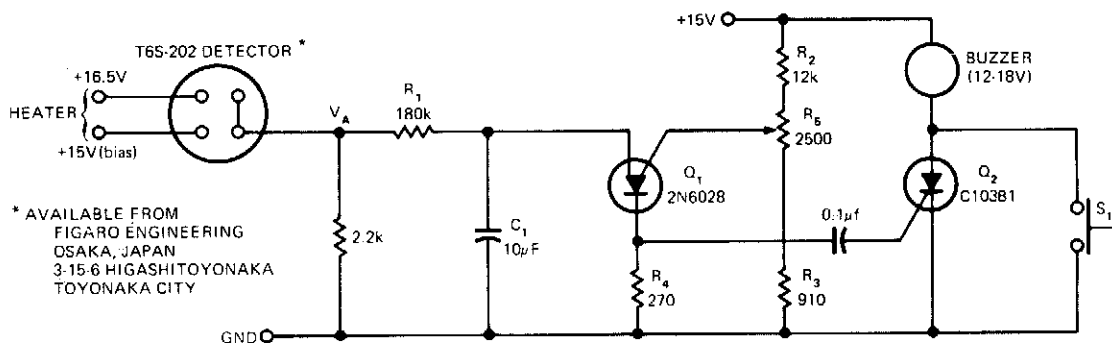
# SMOKE/GAS/VAPOR DETECTOR



## SMOKE/GAS/VAPOR DETECTOR (Cont.)

Transformer T1 supplies power to the heater of the sensor. Since the sensor is fairly sensitive to heater voltage, diodes D3, D4, and D5 regulate the heater voltage. T1, together with D1 and C2, forms a dc power supply, whose current is regulated by Q1 and adjusted by R1. The constant current from Q1 feeds a variable resistance, consisting of thermistor R7 and the parallel combination of R5 and the sensor resistance. When a hazard causes the voltage at A-A to drop, the net voltage at the SCR gate turns positive, triggering the SCR on and operating the alarm. The alarm draws a small amount of current, so the battery will last a long time. Switch S1 turns off the alarm and resets the SCR.

### GAS/SMOKE DETECTOR



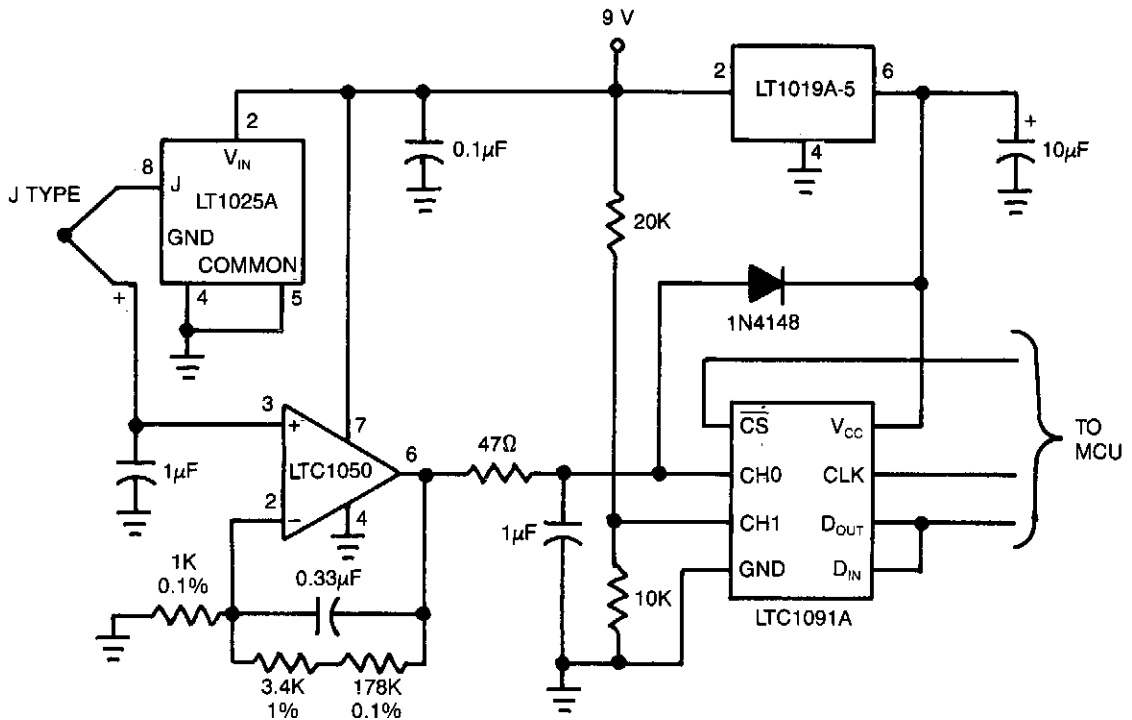
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Fig. 40-4

The sensor is based on the selective absorption of hydrocarbons by an n-type metal-oxide surface. The heater in the device serves to burn off the hydrocarbons once smoke or gas is no longer present in the immediate area; hence, the device is reusable. When initially turned on, a 15 minute warm-up period is required to reach equilibrium ( $V_A \cong 0.6$  V) in a hydrocarbon-free environment. When gas or smoke is introduced near the sensor,  $V_A$  will quickly rise (rate and final equilibrium depend on the type of gas and concentration) and trigger Q1, a programmable unijunction transistor. The voltage pulse generated across R4 triggers Q2, sounding the buzzer until S1 resets the unit. R1 and C1 give a time delay to prevent small transient waves of smoke, such as from a cigarette, from triggering the alarm. Triggering threshold is set by R5, R2, and R3; with the components shown, between 50 and 200 ppm of hydrocarbons can be easily detected. Since it is somewhat sensitive to heater voltage, a regulated supply should be used. Power requirements are 1.5 V at 500 mA for the heater and 15 V at 30 mA, depending on type of buzzer, for the bias supply.

## FURNACE EXHAUST GAS TEMPERATURE MONITOR WITH LOW SUPPLY DETECTION

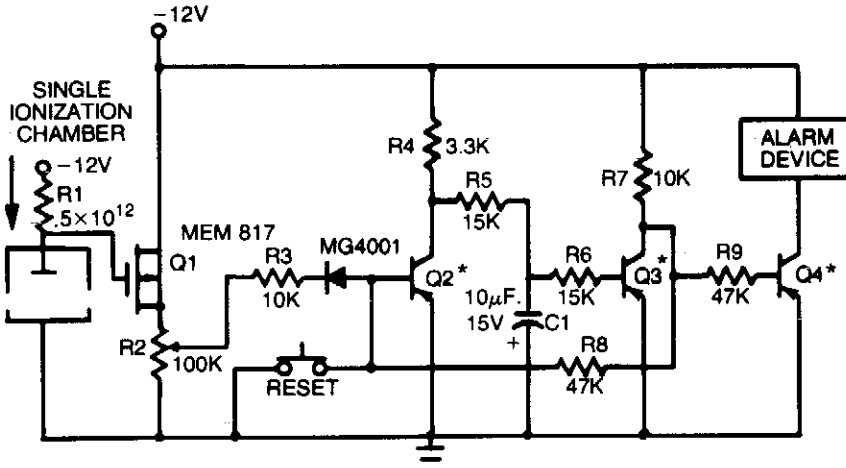


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY DESIGN NOTES

Fig. 40-5

This circuit can be used to measure exhaust gas temperature in a furnace. The 10-bit LTC1091A gives 0.5°C resolution over a 0°C to 500°C range. The LTC1050 amplifies and filters the thermocouple signal, the LT1025A provides cold junction compensation and the LT1019A provides an accurate reference. The J-type thermocouple characteristic is linearized digitally inside the MCU. Linear interpolation between known temperature points spaced 30°C apart introduces less than 0.1°C error. The 20-K/10 KΩ divider on CH1 of the LTC1091 provides low supply voltage detection. Remote location is easy, with data transferred from the MCU to the LTC1091 via the three-wire serial part.

## SMOKE DETECTOR



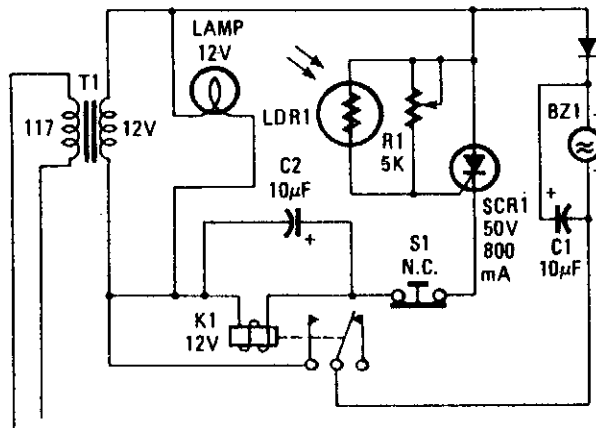
GENERAL INSTRUMENT MICROELECTRONICS

\*2N6076 or equivalent

Fig. 40-6

This smoke detector uses a MEM 817 p-channel enhancement mode MOSFET as its buffer amplifier. Operation of the sensor is based on a decrease in the current when smoke enters the chamber, thereby causing a negative voltage excursion at the gate of the buffer MOSFET. Quiescent voltage values at the output of the chamber vary from about  $-4\text{ V}$  to  $-6\text{ V}$ , and detection of smoke will result in an excursion of about  $-4\text{ V}$ . The MOSFET is connected as a source follower.

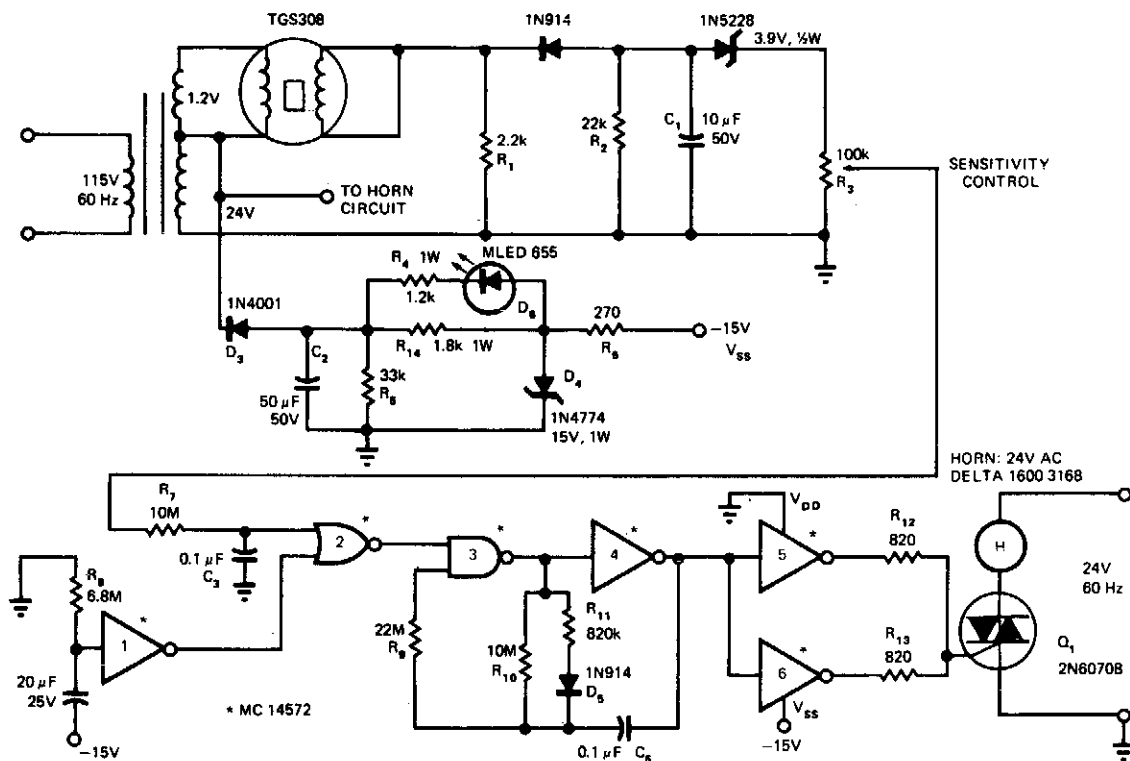
## SCR SMOKE ALARM



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Fig. 40-7

## GAS/SMOKE DETECTOR



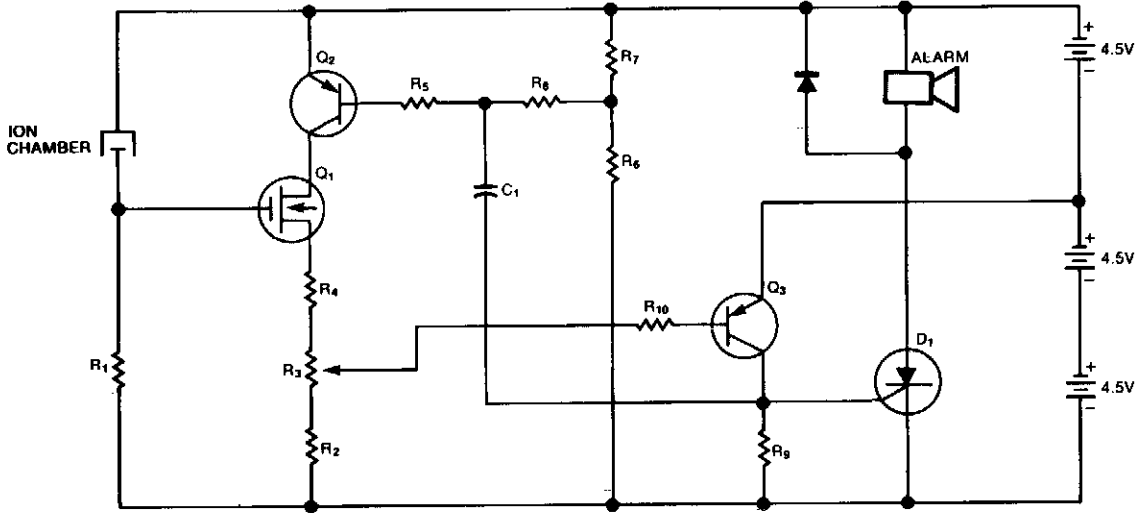
EDN

Fig. 40-8

In the presence of smoke or gas, the ac output voltage increases and becomes rectified, filtered and zener-diode coupled (D2 for thresholding) to sensitivity control R3. Under no gas condition, the output equals approximately 0 V (high). When gas is present, the output will be a negative value (low) sufficient to overcome the threshold of McMOS gate 2 and D2. The circuit shown uses a TGS 308 sensor, a general-purpose gas detector that is not sensitive to smoke or carbon monoxide. If smoke is the primary element to be detected, use the TGS 202 sensor. The two sensors are basically identical; the main differences lie in the heater voltage and the required warm up time delay. The TGS requires a 1.2 V heater and a 2 minute delay, whereas the TGS 202 requires 1.5 V and 5 minutes, respectively.

The system uses a McMOS gated oscillator directly interfacing with a triac-controlled ac horn. Using the MC14572 HEX functional gate, four inverters, one two-input NAND gate and one two-input NOR gate, the circuit provides the complete gas/smoke detector logic functions time delay, gated astable multivibrator control and buffers operation. The 24-Vac horn produces an 85/90-dB sound level output at a distance of 10 ft. Controlled by the astable multivibrator, the horn generates a pulsating alarm—a signal that may be advantageous over a continuous one in some noise environments.

## SMOKE DETECTOR



EDN

**Fig. 40-9**

This circuit comes from U.S. Patent 3,778,800, granted to BRK Electronics in Aurora, IL. The circuit provides a smoke detector with an alarm for both smoke and low batteries. The R6/R7 voltage divider monitors the battery and will turn Q2 and Q1 off when the battery voltage falls too low. The smoke-detector chamber will also cut Q1 off when it senses smoke. Q1 via Q3, triggers SCR D1 and sounds the alarm. Capacitor C1 provides feedback that causes the alarm to sound intermittently. The smoke detector and low-battery circuits sound the alarm at two different rates.



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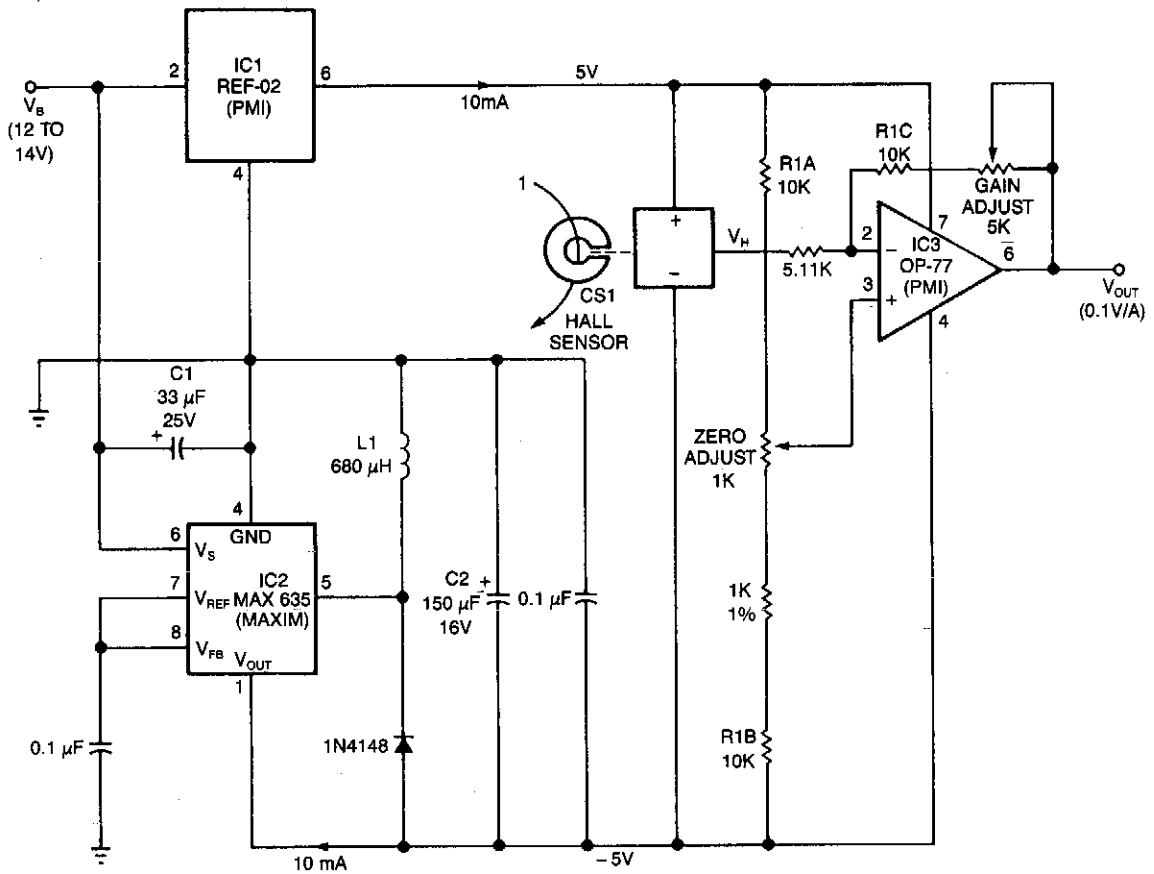
## Hall-Effect Circuits

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Current Monitor  
Security Door Ajar Alarm  
Hall-Effect Switches  
Hall-Effect Compass

## CURRENT MONITOR



**NOTES:**

1. C1 AND C1 ARE 199D TANTALEX CAPACITORS FROM SPRAGUE
2. L1 IS A 6860-23 INDUCTOR FROM CADDELL-BURNS
3. R1A, R1B, AND R1C ARE PART OF A THIN-FILM RESISTOR NETWORK SUCH AS THE CADDOCK T914-10K.
4. CS1 IS A HALL-EFFECT CURRENT SENSOR (CSLA1CD) FROM MICROSWITCH.

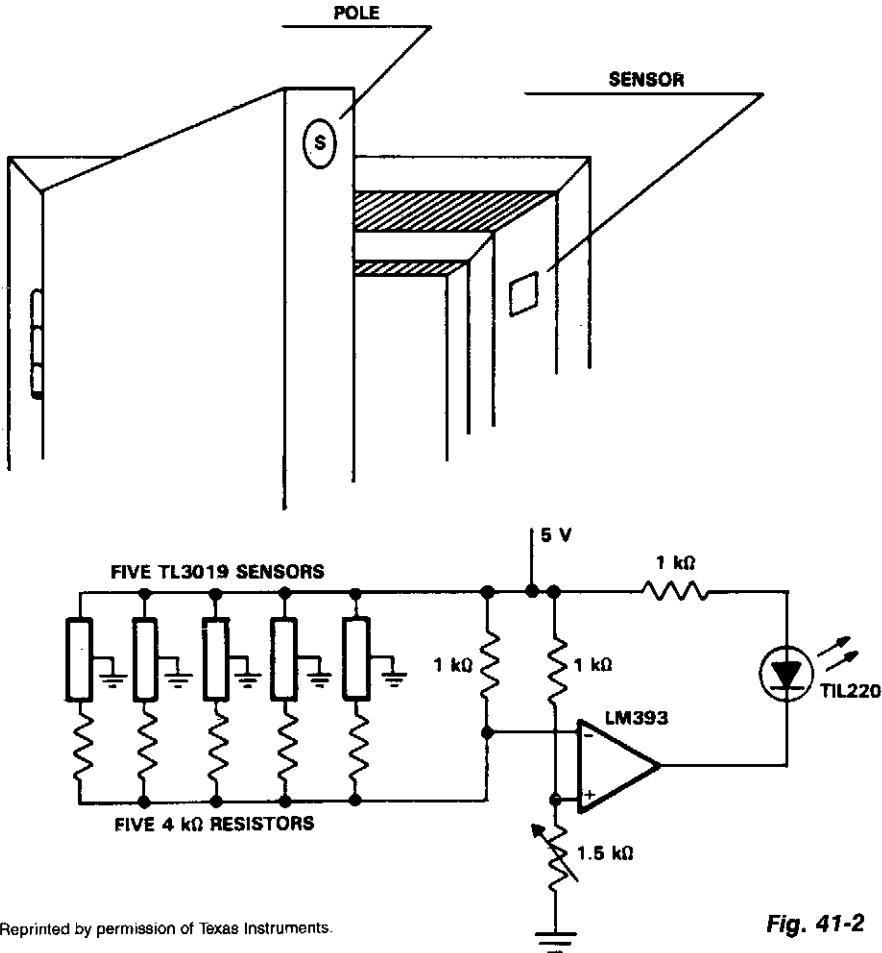
EDN

**Fig. 41-1**

This circuit uses a Hall-effect sensor, consisting of an IC that resides in a small gap in a flux-collector torroid, to measure dc current in the range of 0 to 40 A. You wrap the current-carrying wire through the toroid; the Hall voltage  $V_H$  is then linearly proportional to current  $I$ . The current drain from  $V_B$  is less than 30 mA.

To monitor an automobile alternator's output current, for example, connect the car battery between the circuit's  $V_B$  terminal and ground, and wrap one turn of wire through the toroid. Or, you could wrap 10 turns—if they fit—to measure 1 A full scale. When  $I = 0$  V current sensor  $CS_1$ 's  $V_H$  output equals one-half of its 10 V bias voltage. Because regulators IC1 and IC2 provide a bipolar bias voltage,  $V_H$  and  $V_{OUT}$  are zero when  $I$  is zero; you can then adjust the output gain and offset to scale  $V_{OUT}$  at 1 V per 10 A.

## SECURITY DOOR AJAR ALARM

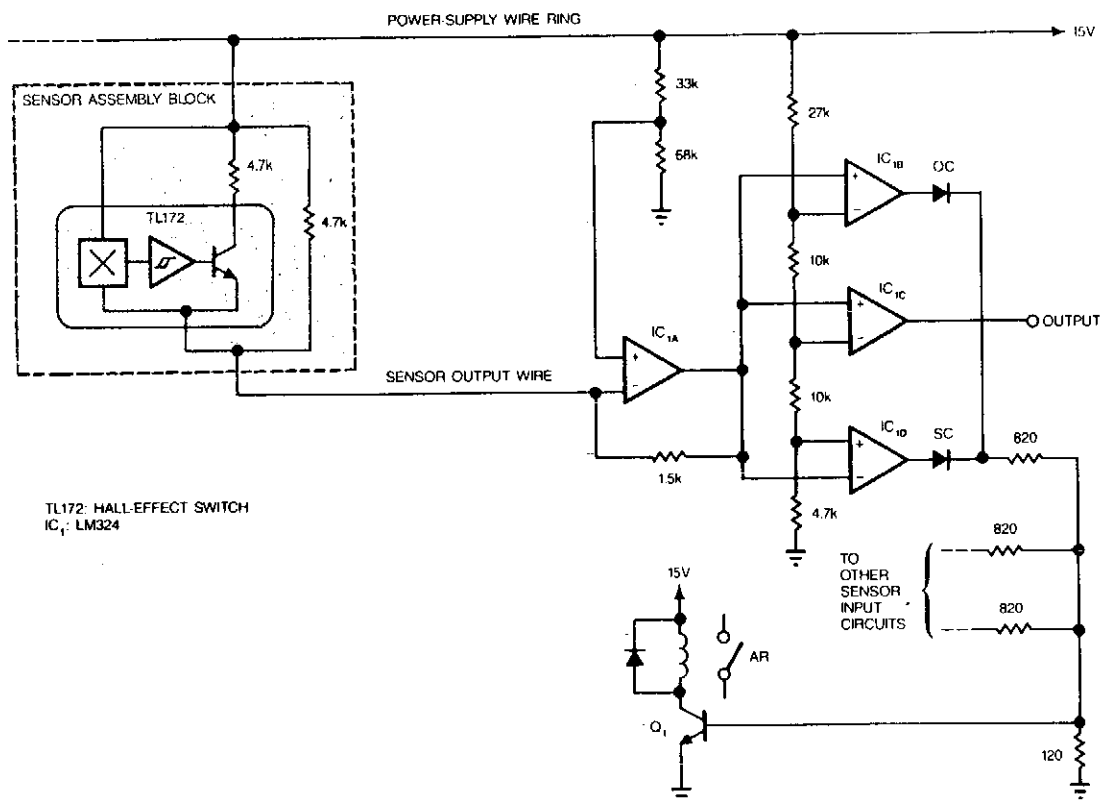


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Fig. 41-2

In operation, the TL3019 device will activate, or become low, when a south pole of a magnet comes near the chip face of the device. The example shows five doors. Each door has a magnet embedded in its edge with the south pole facing the outer surface. At the point where the magnet is positioned with the door closed, a TL3019 sensor is placed in the door jamb. With the door closed, the Hall devices will be in a logic low state. This design has five doors and uses five TL3019 devices. Each TL3019 has a 4-K $\Omega$  resistor in series and all door sensor and resistor sets are in parallel and connected to the inverting input of an LM393 comparator. With all doors closed, the effective resistance will be about 800  $\Omega$  and produce 2.2 V at the inverting input. The noninverting input goes to a voltage divider network which sets the reference voltage. The 1.5-K $\Omega$  potentiometer is adjusted so the indicator goes out with all doors closed. This will cause 2.35 V to appear at the noninverting input of the comparator. When a door opens, the voltage at the inverting input will go to 2.5 V which is greater than  $V_{REF}$ , and the LED will light. A large number of doors and windows can be monitored with this type of circuit. Also, it could be expanded to add an audible alarm in addition to the visual LED.

## HALL-EFFECT SWITCHES



EDN

Fig. 41-3

Hall-effect switches have several advantages over mechanical and optically coupled switches. They're insensitive to environmental light and dirt, they don't bind, and they don't sustain mechanical wear. Their major drawback is that they require three wires per device. The circuit shown, however, reduces this wire count to  $N + 1$  wires for  $N$  devices.

Amplifier IC1A is configured as a current-to-voltage converter. It senses the sensor assembly's output current. When the Hall-effect switch is actuated, the sensor's output current increases to twice its quiescent value. Amplifier IC1B, configured as a comparator, detects this increase. The comparator's output decreases when the Hall-effect switch turns on.

The circuit also contains a fault-detection function. If any sensor output wire is open, its corresponding LED will turn on. If the power-supply line opens, several LEDs will turn on. A short circuit will also turn an LED on. Every time an LED turns on, Q1 turns on and the alarm relay is actuated.

## HALL-EFFECT COMPASS

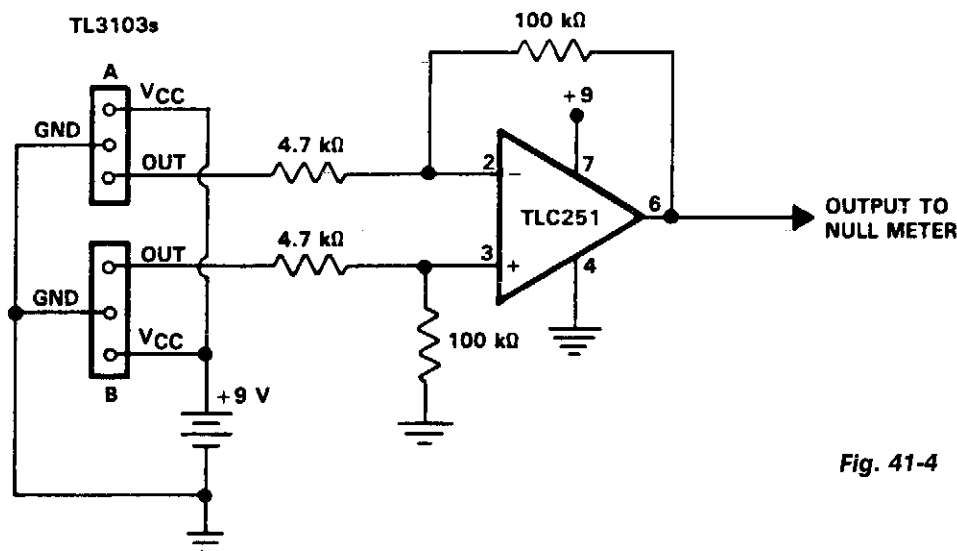


Fig. 41-4

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The TL3103 linear Hall-effect device can be used as a compass. By definition, the north pole of a magnet is the pole that is attracted by the magnetic north pole of the earth. The north pole of a magnet repels the north-seeking pole of a compass. By convention, lines of flux emanate from the north pole of a magnet and enter the south pole. The circuit of the compass is shown. By using two TL3103 devices instead of one, we achieve twice the sensi-

tivity. With each device facing the opposite direction, device A would have a positive output while the output of device B would be negative with respect to the zero magnetic field level. This gives a differential signal to apply to the TLC251 op amp. The op amp is connected as a difference amplifier with a gain of 20. Its output is applied to a null meter or a bridge balance indicator circuit.

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## High-Frequency Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

2 – 30 MHz 140-W (PEP) Amateur  
Radio Linear Amplifier

80-W (PEP) 3 – 30 MHz 12.5 – 13.6 V  
Amplifier

29-MHz Amplifier

28-dB Noninverting Amplifier

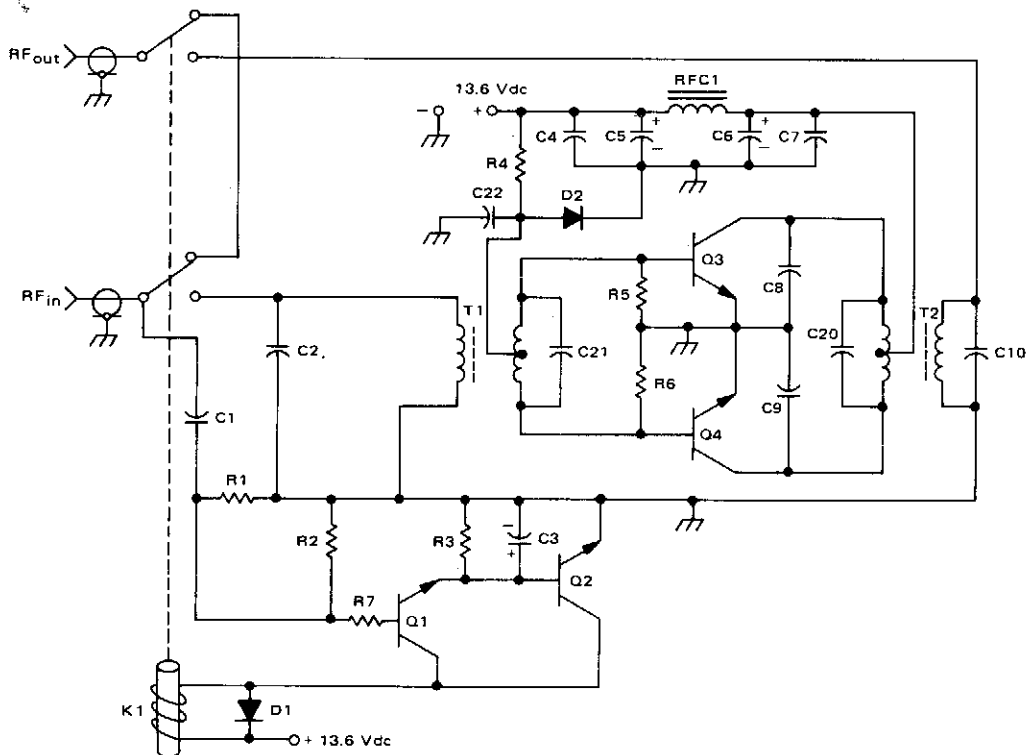
Wideband UHF Amplifier with  
High-Performance FETs

Broadcast Band Rf Amplifier

Miniature Wideband Amplifier

Wideband 500 kHz – 1 GHz Hybrid  
Amplifier

## 2 – 30 MHz 140-W (PEP) AMATEUR RADIO LINEAR AMPLIFIER



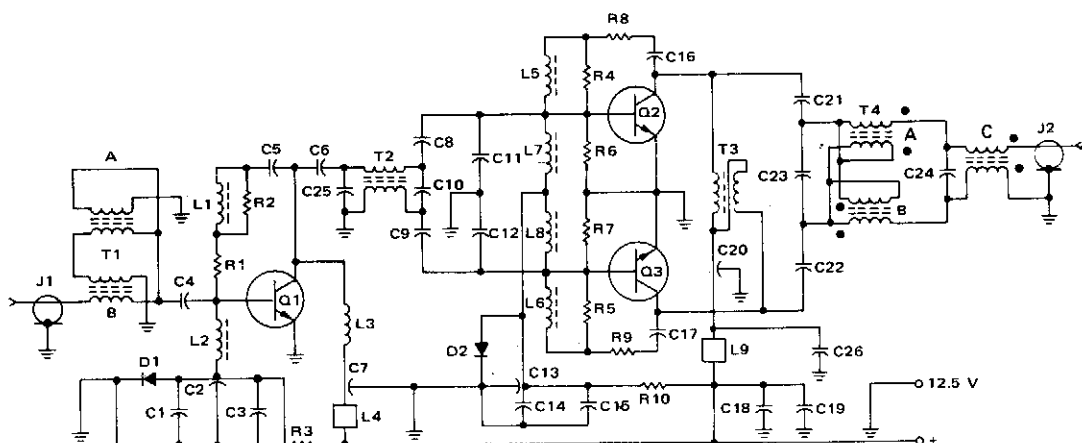
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|-------|--|--------|--|
| C1    | = 33 pF Dipped Mica  | R7     | = 100 $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor                            |
| C2    | = 18 pF Dipped Mica  | RFC1   | = 9 Ferrocube Beads on #18 AWG Wire                      |
| C3    | = 10 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc for AM operation,<br>100 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc for SSB operation. | D1     | = 1N4001   |
| C4    | = .1 $\mu$ F Erie  | D2     | = 1N4997   |
| C5    | = 10 $\mu$ F 35 Vdc Electrolytic   | Q1, Q2 | = 2N4401   |
| C6    | = 1 $\mu$ F Tantalum   | Q3, 4  | = MRF454   |
| C7    | = .001 $\mu$ F Erie Disc   | T1, T2 | = 16:1 Transformers                                      |
| C8, 9 | = 330 pF Dipped Mica   | C20    | = 910 pF Dipped Mica                                     |
| R1    | = 100 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor  | C21    | = 1100 pF Dipped Mica                                    |
| R2, 3 | = 10 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W Resistor   | C10    | = 24 pF Dipped Mica                                      |
| R4    | = 33 $\Omega$ 5 W Wire Wound Resistor  | C22    | = 500 $\mu$ F 3 Vdc Electrolytic                         |
| R5, 6 | = 10 $\Omega$ 1/2 W Resistor   | K1     | = Potter & Brumfield<br>KT11A 12 Vdc Relay or Equivalent |

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**Fig. 42-1**

The amplifier operates across the 2 – 30 MHz band with relatively flat gain response and reaches gain saturation at approximately 210 W of output power. Both input and output transformers are 4:1 turns ratio (16:1 impedance ratio) to achieve low input SWR across the specified band and a high saturation capability. When using this design, it is important to interconnect the ground plane on the bottom of the board to the top, especially at the emitters of the MRF454s.

## 80-W (PEP) 3 – 30 MHz 12.5 – 13.6 V AMPLIFIER



C1, C14, C18 – 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  ceramic.  
 C2, C7, C13, C20 – 0.001  $\mu\text{F}$  feed through.  
 C3 – 100  $\mu\text{F}/3\text{V}$ .  
 C4, C6 – 0.033  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar  
 C5 – 0.0047  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar.  
 C8, C9 – 0.015 and 0.033  $\mu\text{F}$  mylars in parallel.  
 C10 – 470 pF mica.  
 C11, C12 – 560 pF mica.  
 C15 – 1000  $\mu\text{F}/3\text{V}$   
 C16, C17 – 0.015  $\mu\text{F}$  mylar  
 C19 – 10 pF 15 V  
 C21, C22 – two 0.068  $\mu\text{F}$  mylars in parallel,  
 C23 – 330 pF mica  
 C24 – 39 pF mica  
 C25 – 680 pF mica  
 C26 – .01  $\mu\text{F}$  ceramic

R1, R6, R7 – 10  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon.  
 R2 – 51  $\Omega$ , 1/2 W carbon  
 R3 – 240  $\Omega$ , 1 W wire  
 R4, R5 – 18  $\Omega$ , 1 W carbon  
 R8, R9 – 27  $\Omega$ , 2 W carbon  
 R10 – 33  $\Omega$ , 6 W wire W

L1 – 0.22  $\mu\text{H}$  molded choke  
 L2, L7, L8 – 10  $\mu\text{H}$  molded choke  
 L5, L6 – 0.15  $\mu\text{H}$   
 L3 – 25 t, #26 wire, wound on a 100  $\Omega$ , 2 W resistor. (1.0  $\mu\text{H}$ )  
 L4, L9 – 3 ferrite beads each.

T1 – 2 twisted pairs of #26 wire, 8 twists per inch. A = 4 turns, B = 8 turns. Core - Stackpole 57-9322-11, Indiana General F627-8Q1 or equivalent

T2 – 2 twisted pairs of #24 wire, 8 twists per inch, 6 turns. (Core as above.)

T3 – 2 twisted pairs of #20 wire, 6 twists per inch, 4 turns. (Core as above.)

T4 – A and B = 2 twisted pairs of #24 wire, 8 twists per inch, 5 turns each. C = 1 twisted pair of #24 wire, 8 turns. Core - Stackpole 57-9074-11, Indiana General F624-19Q1 or equivalent.

Q1 – 2N6367

Q2, Q3 – 2N6368

D1 – 1N4001

D2 – 1N4997

J1, J2 – BNC connectors

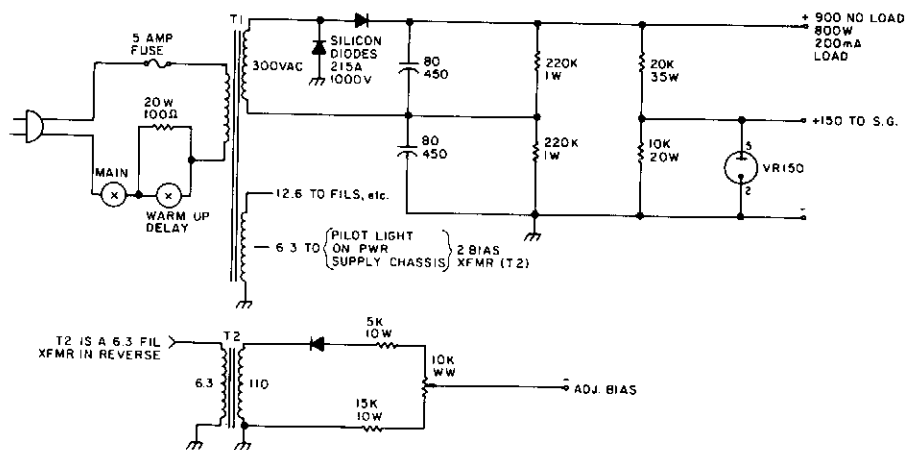
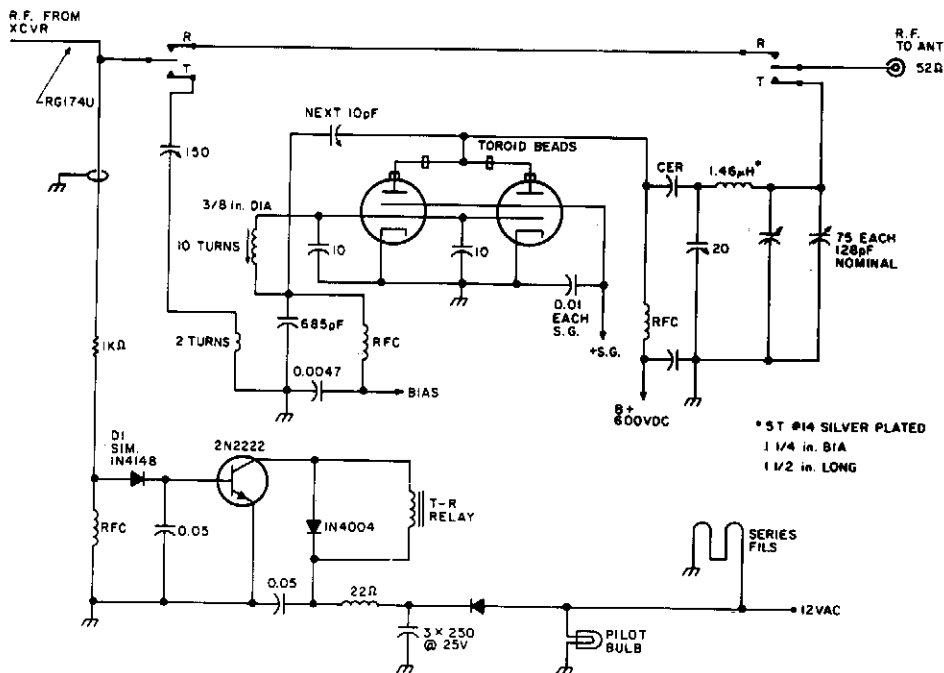
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**Fig. 42-2**

This amplifier utilizes a 2N6367 and a pair of 2N6368 transistors. The 2N6367 transistor is employed as a driver and is specified for up to 9 W (PEP) output. In the amplifier design the driver must supply on 5 W (PEP) at 30 MHz with a resulting IMD performance of about -37 to -38 dB. At lower operating frequencies, drive requirements drop to the 2-3 W (PEP) range and IMD performance improves to better than 40 dB. Two 2N6368 transistors are employed in the final stage of the transmitter design in a push-pull configuration. These devices are rated at 40 W (PEP) and -30 dB maximum IMD, although -35 dB performance is more typical for narrowband operation. Without frequency compensation, the completed amplifier can deliver 90 W (PEP) in the 25-30 MHz band with IMD performance down -30 dB. If only the power amplifier stage is frequency compensated, 95 W (PEP) can be obtained at 6-10 MHz.



## 29-MHz AMPLIFIER

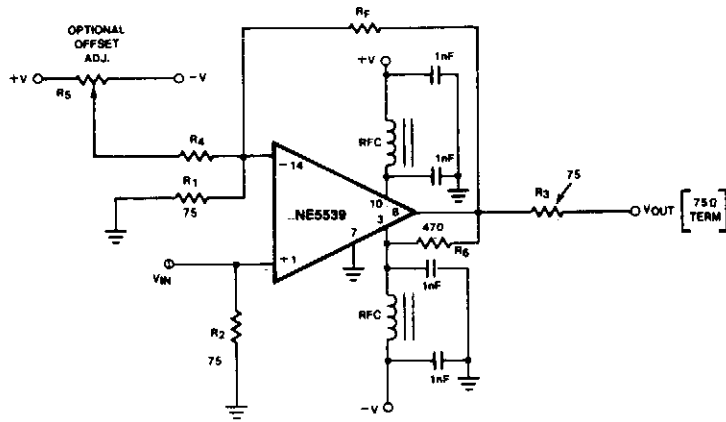


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Fig. 42-3

The only adjustments that require close attention are input, output, and neutralization. The 150-pF capacitor in the input line compensates for impedance mismatch. You tune for maximum signal transfer from exiter to final with an in-line meter or external field strength meter. The final is a conventional pi network. When neutralized, the plate current dip should be at about the same setting of the 20-pF plate capacitor as maximum output. Adjust bias to let tubes idle at about 30 mA.

## 28-dB NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER



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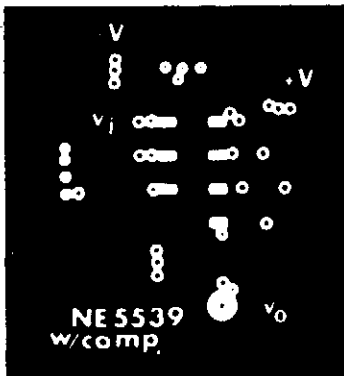
**NOTES:**

- R<sub>1</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON
- R<sub>2</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON
- R<sub>3</sub> = 75Ω 5% CARBON
- R<sub>4</sub> = 36k 5% CARBON

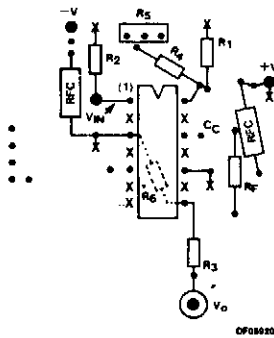
- R<sub>5</sub> = 20k TRIMPOT (CERMET)
- R<sub>f</sub> = 1.5k (28dB GAIN)
- R<sub>6</sub> = 470Ω 5% CARBON

- RFC 3T # 26 BUSS WIRE ON FERROXCUBE VK 200 09/3B CORE
- BYPASS CAPACITORS 1nF CERAMIC (MEPCO OR EQUIV.)

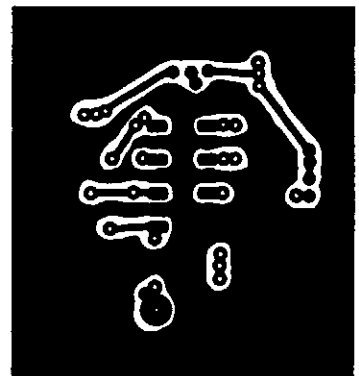
**Top Plane Copper<sup>1</sup>  
(Component Side)**



**Component Side  
(Component Layout)**



**Bottom Plane Copper<sup>1</sup>**



**NOTES:**

- (X) indicates ground connection to top plane.
- \*R<sub>6</sub> is on bottom side.

**NOTE:**

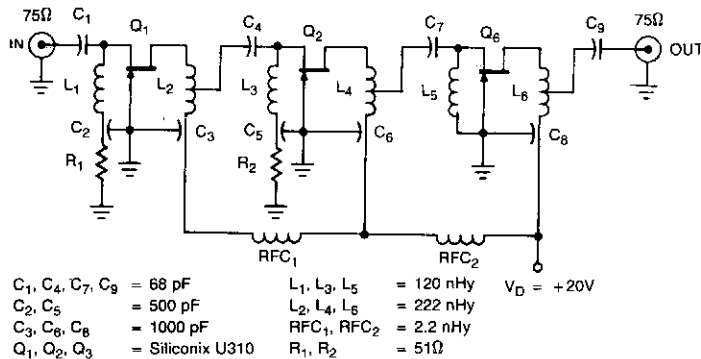
- 1. Bond edges of top and bottom ground plane copper.

SIGNETICS

**Fig. 42-4**

The physical circuit layout is extremely critical. Breadboarding is not recommended. A double-sided copper-clad printed circuit board will result in more favorable system operation.

## WIDEBAND UHF AMPLIFIER WITH HIGH-PERFORMANCE FETS



SILICONIX

Fig. 42-5

The amplifier circuit is designed for a 225 MHz center frequency, 1 dB bandwidth of 50 MHz, low-input VSWR in a 75- $\Omega$  system, and 24 dB gain. Three stages of U310 FETs are used, in a straight-forward design.

## BROADCAST BAND RF AMPLIFIER

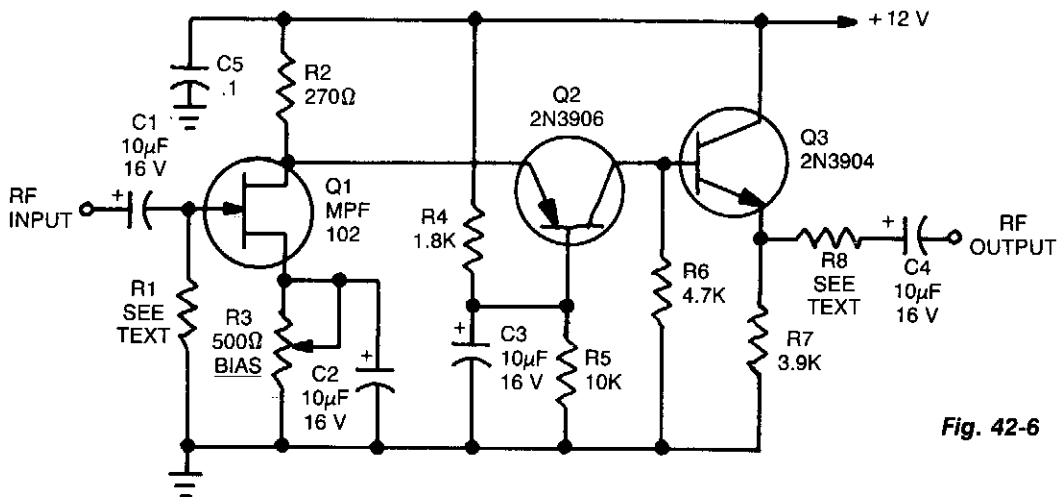


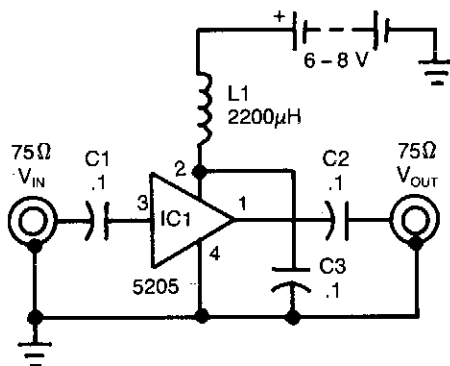
Fig. 42-6

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The circuit has a frequency response ranging from 100 Hz to 3 MHz; gain is about 30 dB. Field-effect transistor Q1 is configured in the common-source self-biased mode. Optional resistor R1 allows you to set the input impedance to any desired value; commonly, it will be 50  $\Omega$ .

The signal is then direct coupled to Q2, a common-base circuit that isolates the input and output stages and provides the amplifier's exceptional stability. Last, Q3 functions as an emitter follower, to provide low output impedance at about 50  $\Omega$ . If you need higher output impedance, include resistor R8. It will affect impedance according to this formula:  $R8 \approx R_{OUT} - 50$ . Otherwise, connect output capacitor C4 directly to the emitter of Q3.

## MINIATURE WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



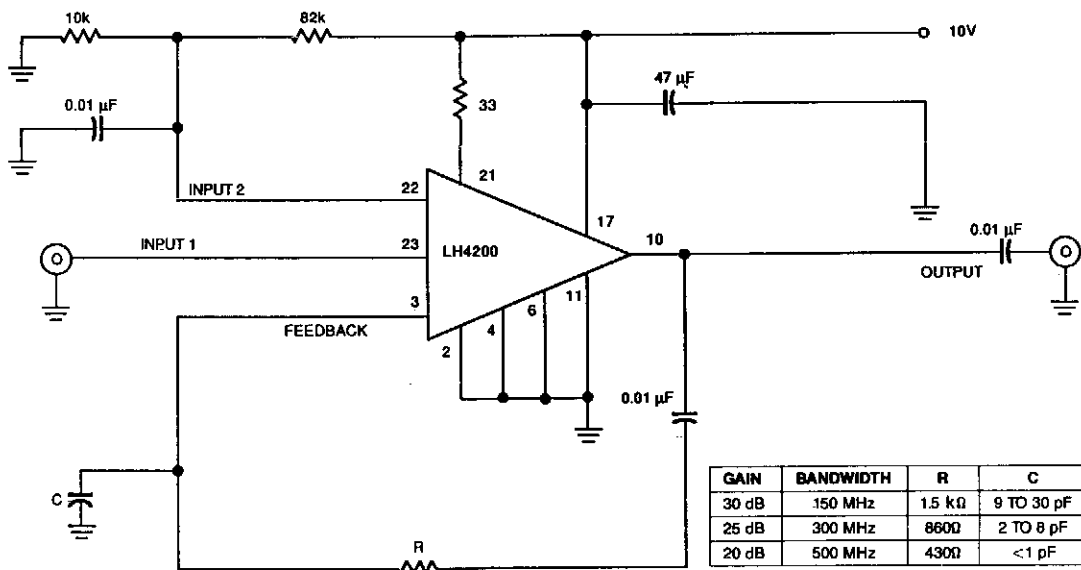
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Fig. 42-7

This wideband amplifier uses only five components. External signals enter pin 3 of IC1 via ac coupling capacitor C1. Following amplification, the boosted signals from IC1 pin 1 are coupled to the output by capacitor C2. Capacitor C3 decouples the dc power supply, while rf current is isolated from the power supply by rf choke L1.

The NE5205's low current consumption of 25 mA at 6 Vdc makes battery-powered operation a reality. Although the device is rated for a 6 to 8 V power supply, 6 V is recommended for normal operation. From 6 V an internal bias of 3.3 V results, which permits a 1.4 V pk-pk output swing for video applications.

## WIDEBAND 500 kHz – 1 GHz HYBRID AMPLIFIER



EDN

Fig. 42-8

The amplifier's input stage is a dual-gate GaAs FET, which provides low input capacitance and high transconductance. The dual-gate structure accepts the signal on input 1. Input 2 controls the gain of the amplifier. The amplifier has a third input for use in series feedback. The output feeds back to pin 3 via a single resistor, which controls the overall power gain of the amplifier. At 10 MHz, the output is capable of delivering 12 dBm into a 50-Ω load with 1 dB of signal compression. The ac-coupled amplifier has a gain of 37 dB at 100 MHz and 3 dB at 1 GHz.

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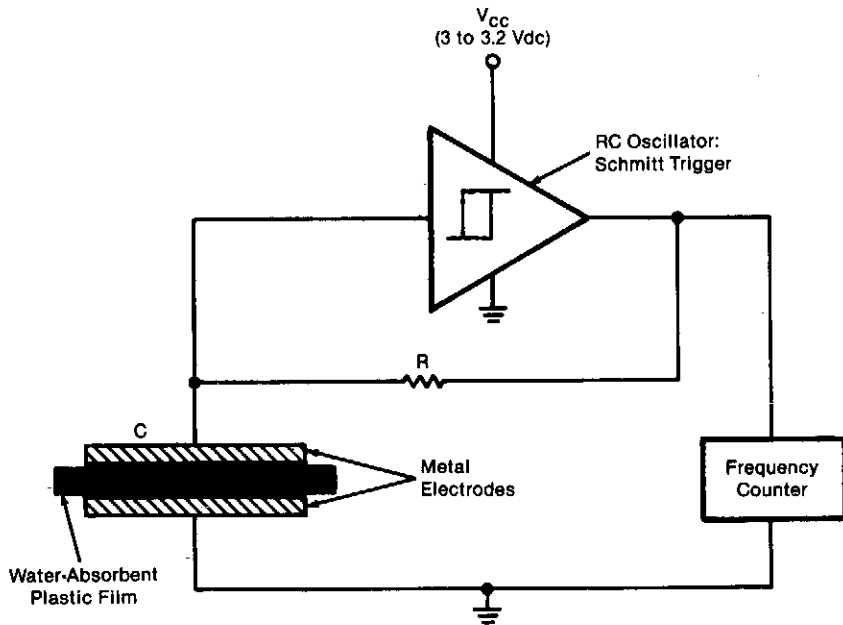
## Humidity Sensor

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Low-Cost Humidity Sensor

## LOW-COST HUMIDITY SENSOR



NASA TECH BRIEFS

Fig. 43-1

The sensor is an RC oscillator in which a water-absorbent plastic film is the insulator in the capacitive element. The capacitance of the film increases with the amount of water it absorbs from the air, and thus reduces the oscillation frequency. A frequency counter produces a digital output that represents the change in frequency and hence the change in relative humidity. The sensor can be used to measure humidity in the atmosphere, in the soil, and in industrial gases, for example. A Schmitt-trigger-type IC is connected to the capacitor, which consists of a film of a commercially produced sulfonated fluorocarbon polymer, 2 in. (5.08 cm) square, sandwiched between perforated metal plates. The oscillation frequency decreases almost linearly from about 100 to 16 kHz as the relative humidity increases from about 20 to 76%.

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## Indicators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Stereo Indicator  
On-the-Air Indicator  
Receiver Signal Alarm  
Rf-Actuated Relay  
Visual-Level Indicator

## STEREO INDICATOR

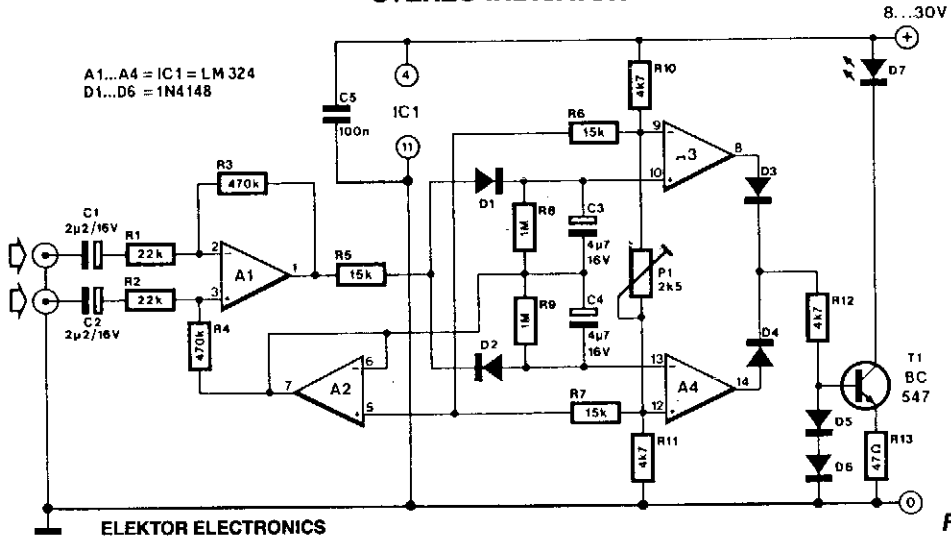
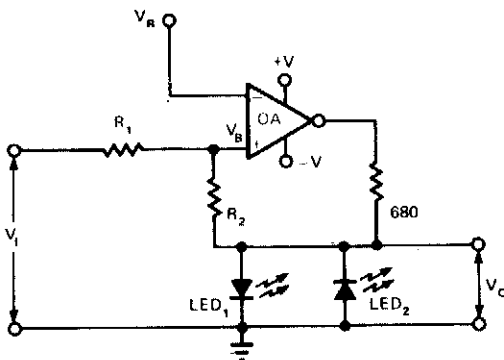


Fig. 44-1

On most FM tuners, the stereo indicator lights upon detection of the 19-kHz pilot tone. However, this doesn't mean that the program is actually stereophonic, since the pilot tone is often transmitted with mono programs also. A similar situation exists on stereo amplifiers, where the stereo LED is simply controlled from the mono/stereo switch.

The LED-based stereo indicator described here lights only when a true stereo signal is fed to the inputs. Differential amplifier A1 raises the difference between the L and R input signals. When these are equal, the output of A1 remains at the same potential as the output of A2, which forms a virtual ground rail at half the supply voltage. When A1 detects a difference between the L and R-input signals, it supplies a positive or negative voltage with respect to the virtual ground rail, and so causes C3 to be charged via D1 or C4 via D2. Comparator A3/A4 switches on the LED driver via OR circuit D3/D4. The input signal level should not be less than 100 mV to compensate for the drop across D1 or D2. The sensitivity of the stereo indicator is adjustable with P1.

## VISUAL LEVEL INDICATOR



EDN

Fig. 44-2

This indicator is basically a switch with hysteresis characteristics. If the input voltage momentarily (or permanently) exceeds the most positive reference level, LED1 is switched on. If, on the other hand, the voltage falls below the negative, or least positive, reference level, LED1 will be switched off and LED2 switched on. The output voltage,  $V_O$  is clamped either to the diode voltage  $V_{D1}$ , or  $V_{D2}$  depending on which LED is conducting. For  $V_O$  to be positive,  $V_B$  has to be positive with respect to the reference voltage  $V_R$ ; for  $V_O$  to be negative,  $V_B$  has to be negative with respect to  $V_R$ .



### RECEIVER SIGNAL ALARM

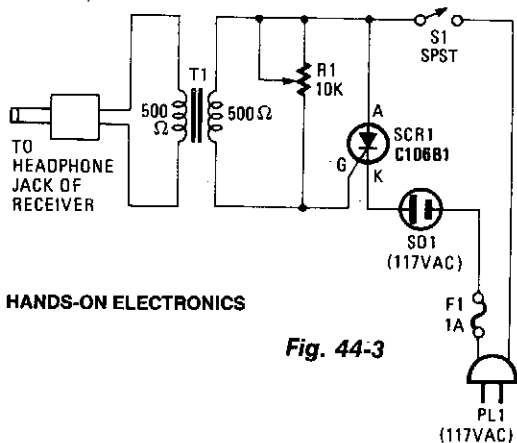


Fig. 44-3

### RF-ACTUATED RELAY

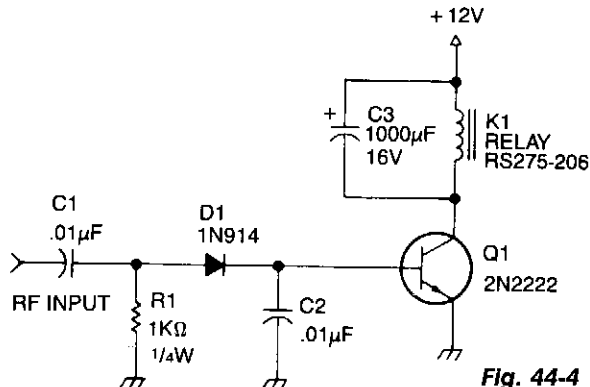


Fig. 44-4

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Automatic antenna switching or rf power indication can be achieved with this circuit. Relay will key with less than 150 mW drive on 2 m.

### ON-THE-AIR INDICATOR

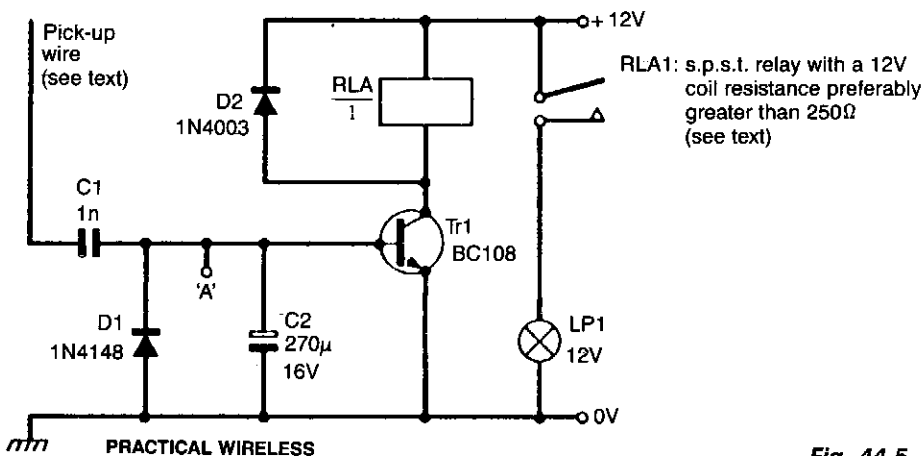


Fig. 44-5

The circuit is a simple rf-actuated switch which will respond to any strong field in the region of the pickup wire. The length of the wire will depend on how much coupling is needed, but a 250-mm length wrapped around the outside of the coaxial cable feeding the antenna should suffice for most power levels. If only one band is used, the wire can be made a resonant length—495 mm for 144 MHz band operation for example. When rf energy is picked up by the device, diode D1 will conduct on the negative half-cycles, but will be cut off on the positive half-cycles. The result will be a net positive voltage at the base of transistor Tr1, forward biasing it into conduction. On ssb and cw transmissions, where the transmission is not continuous, that bias would be constantly varying and the relay RLA would chatter. However, capacitor C2 holds the bias voltage steady until a long gap in transmissions occurs.

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## Infrared Circuits

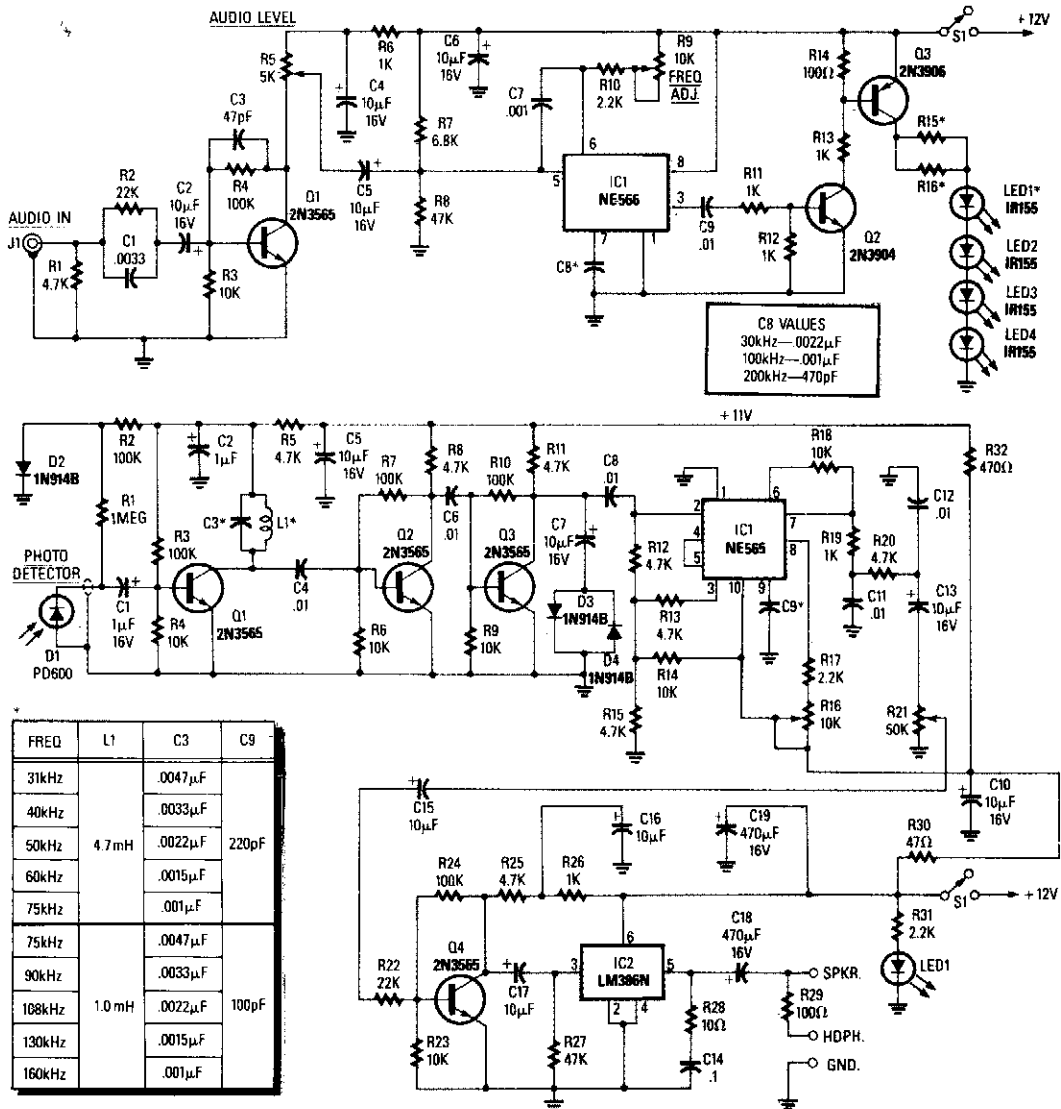
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Infrared Wireless Speaker System  
Long-Range Object Detector  
IR Receiver  
IR Transmitter

Digital IR Transmitter  
Simple IR Detector  
Infrared Transmitter  
Infrared Transmitter

## INFRARED WIRELESS SPEAKER SYSTEM



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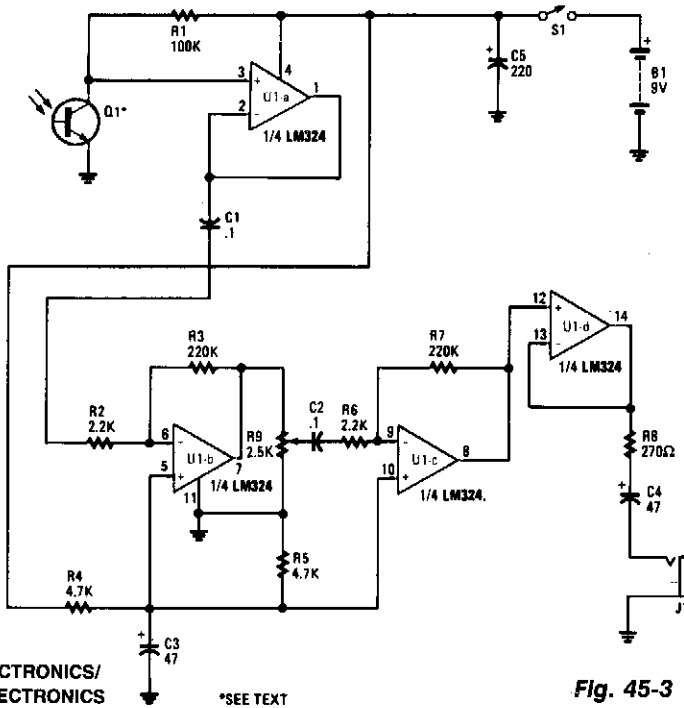
**Fig. 45-1**

Although the IR region is free from radio interference, it is subject to interference from incandescent lamps, fluorescent lamps, stray reflections, and other sources.

A simple way to overcome that problem is to create a *carrier* by chopping the IR radiation at a rate of 100 kHz. The audio then modulates the carrier by modulating the chopping rate. A receiver then detects the IR beam as a 100-kHz FM signal. The only disadvantage is that instead of a simple audio amplifier, a high-gain FM receiver is necessary. However, with the ICs that are now available, an FM receiver is easy to build, and contains little more circuitry than a high-gain audio amplifier. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.



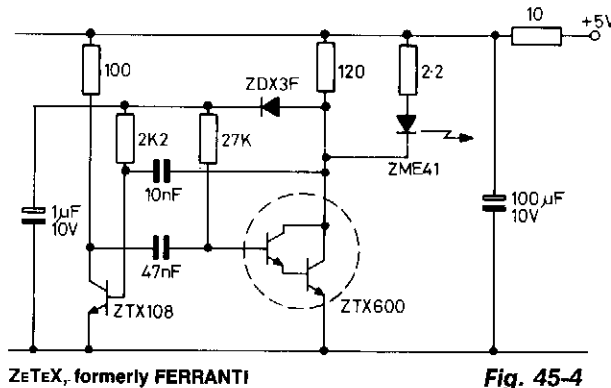
## IR RECEIVER



**Fig. 45-3**

Infrared emissions detected by Q1 are fed through U1a to U1b, which amplifies the signal by a factor of 100. The amplified output of U1b is fed to U1c through R9, C2, and R6. Potentiometer R9 serves as a volume control. With R9 set to pass the maximum signal, U1c provides a gain of 100, for a total system gain of 10,000 dB. The output of U1c is connected to voltage follower circuit U1d to better match and drive headphones that can be plugged into J1.

## IR TRANSMITTER

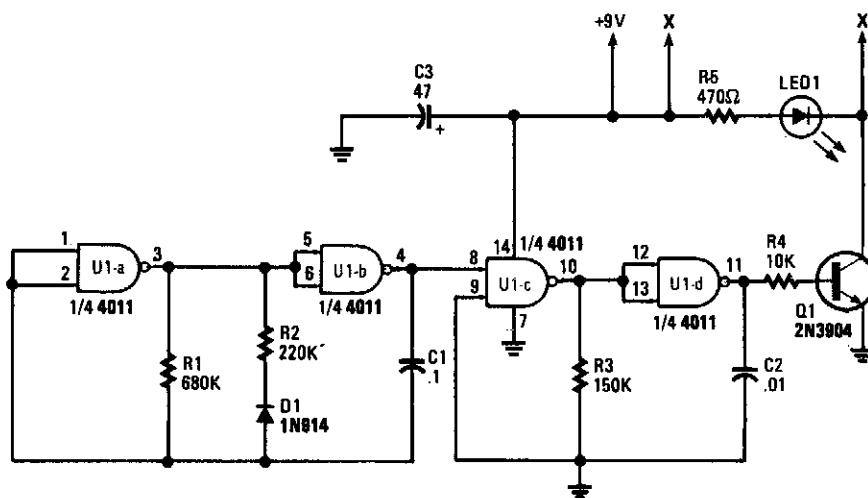


**Fig. 45-4**

## IR TRANSMITTER (Cont.)

The transmitter consists of an oscillator which drives a high output IR emitting diode. The oscillator is a sure start multivibrator circuit that provides an output of 15 to 1000 mark to space ratio at a frequency of 1 kHz. This large mark to space ratio allows the IR diode to be operated at a high peak current, provided by the ZTX600 Darlington transistor, to maximize the transmitter range. A decoupling network is included in the power supply lead to isolate it from any logic circuitry using the same 5-V power supply source. The transmitter supply current is approximately 65 mA.

### DIGITAL IR TRANSMITTER



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Fig. 45-5

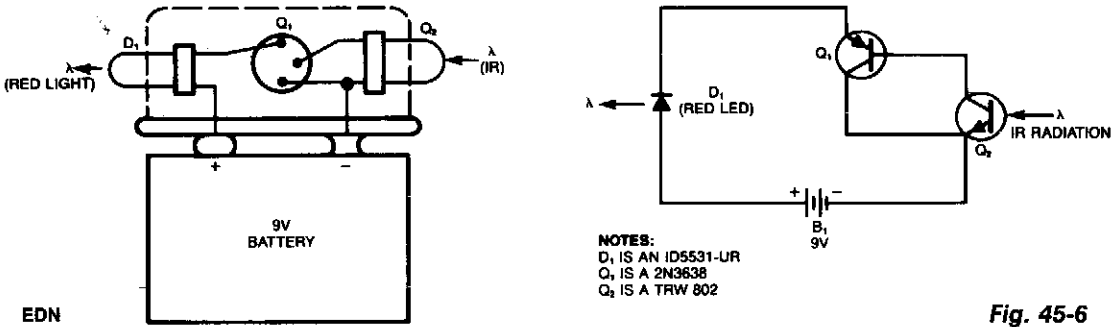
Gates U1a and U1b are configured as a low-frequency oscillator. The output waveform at pin 11 is nonsymmetrical with the positive portion of the signal, making up only 20% of the time period.

Diode D1, a 1N914 general-purpose unit, together with C1, R1, and R2, determine the on time for the positive portion of the output waveform. The off, or negative portion of the output waveform, depends mainly on the values of R1 and C1. The operating frequency of that oscillator is about 11 Hz. The second oscillator consists of U1c and U1d, which outputs an almost symmetrical waveform at a frequency of about 400 Hz. The output of first oscillator U1a/U1b is fed to pin 8 of U1c to key second oscillator U1c/U1d on and off at about 11 Hz, with the on time limited to about 20% of the time period (about 15 ms).

The output waveform of the second oscillator is fed to the base of Q1, which is used to drive IR diode LED1 in short bursts. Pulsing LED1 helps to save battery power, and also allows each circuit to be given its own special sound footprint.

By changing any of the values of R1, R2, R3, C1, or C2, the sound footprint can be varied. As the component values are increased, the oscillator's frequency goes down, and as the values are decreased, the frequency goes up.

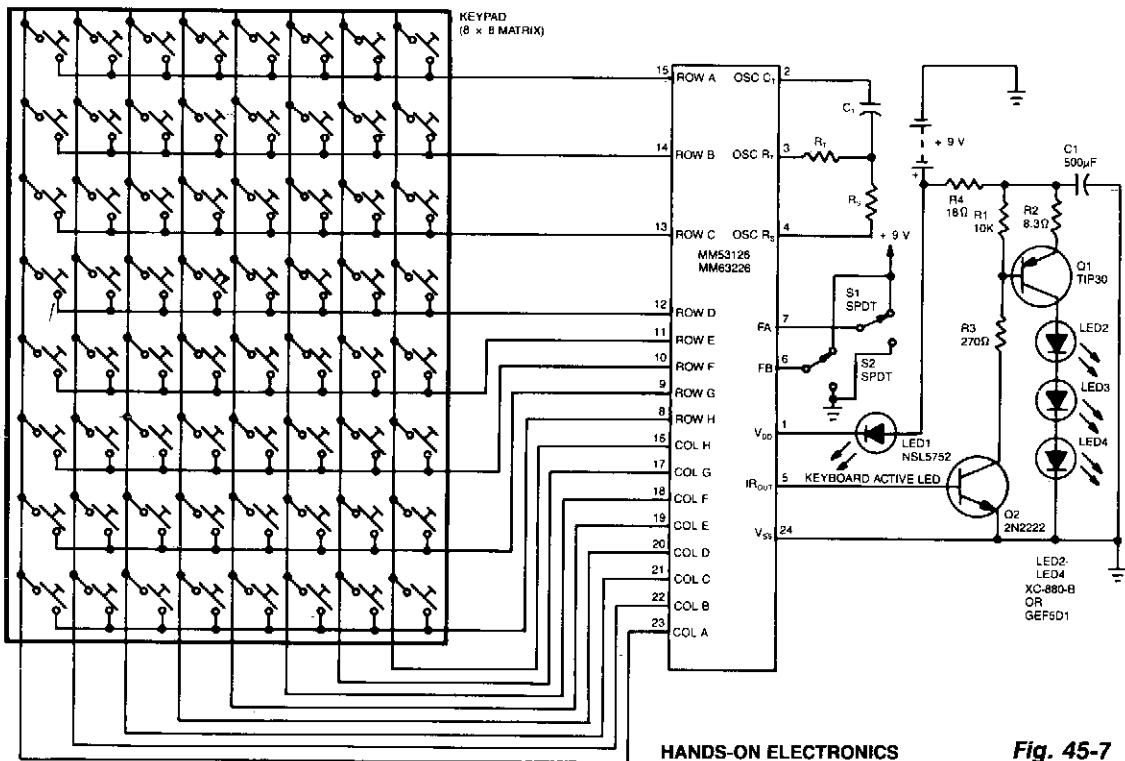
## SIMPLE IR DETECTOR



**Fig. 45-6**

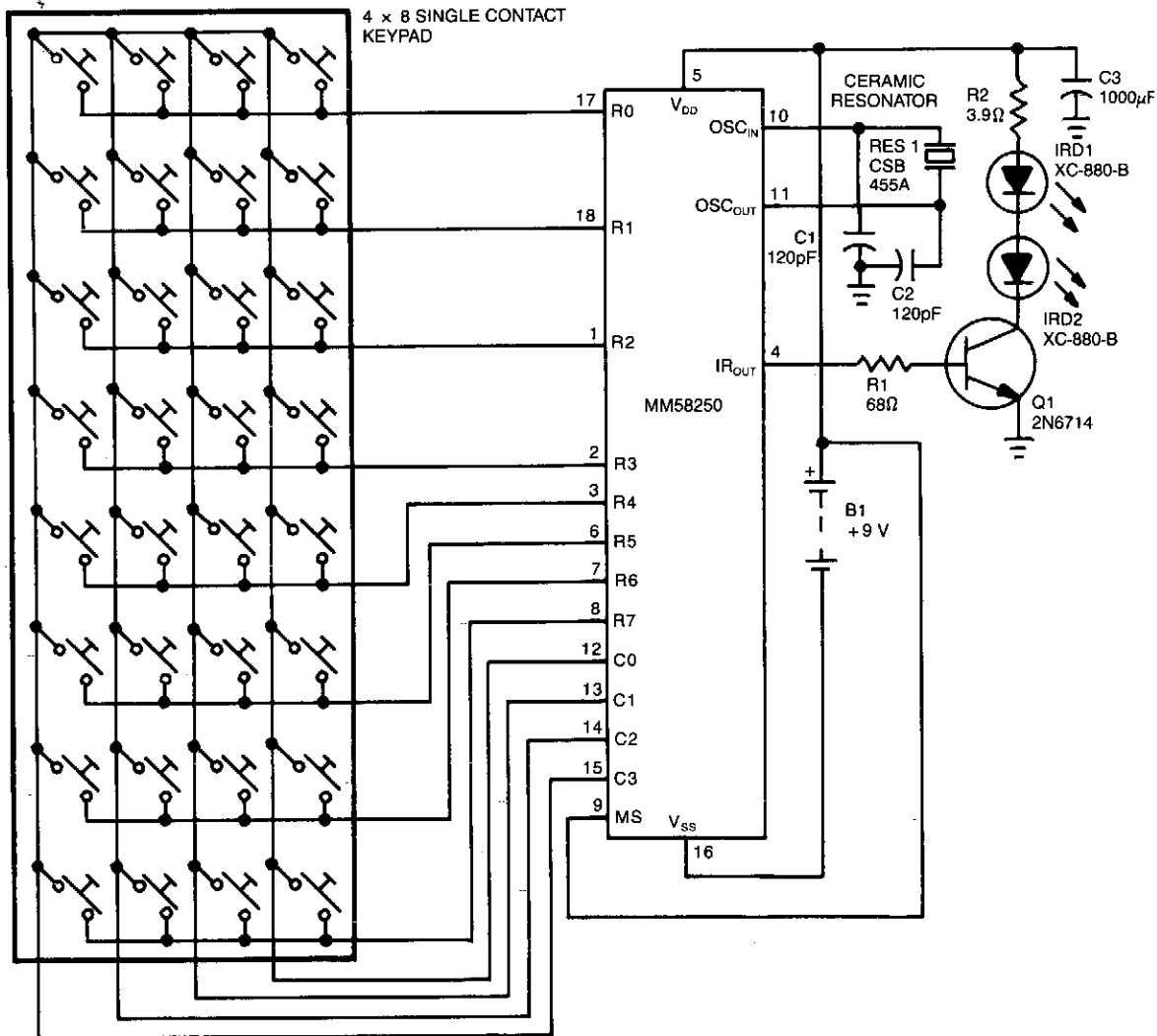
This simple IR detector turns on a real LED when Q2 is exposed to invisible IR radiation found in fiber-optics systems, position sensors, and TV remote-control units. The device can be built on top of a 9-V battery and held in place with RTV. Its power dissipation is virtually zero, unless IR radiation or high ambient light is present. Normal fluorescent lighting is not a problem, but if necessary add an IR filter to the Q2 detector to exclude ambient light. Exposing the detector to a strong light or IR source gives a quick check of the battery and the red LED.

## INFRARED TRANSMITTER



**Fig. 45-7**

# INFRARED TRANSMITTER





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## Instrumentation Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Ultra-Precision Instrumentation Amplifier

Strain Guage Instrumentation Amplifier

Instrumentation Amplifier

Wideband Instrumentation Amplifier

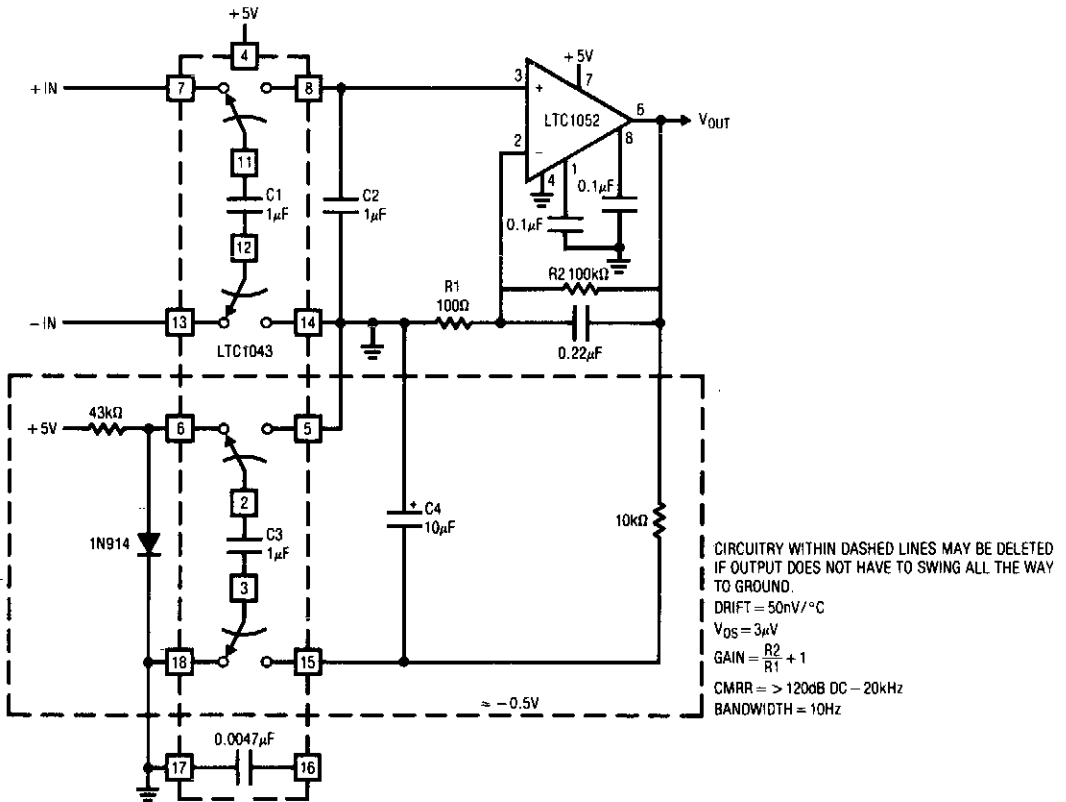
Biomedical Instrumentation Differential Amplifier

Differential Instrumentation Amplifier

Thermocouple Preamplifier

Low-Power Instrumentation Amplifier

## ULTRA-PRECISION INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

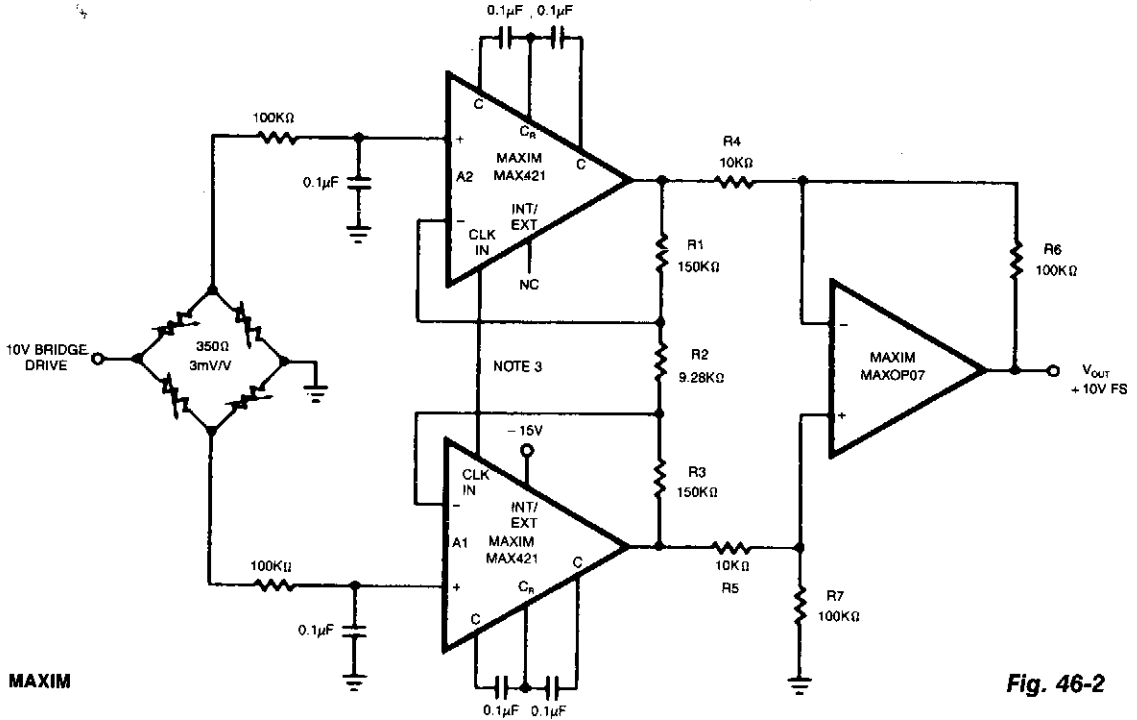


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 46-1**

This circuit will run from a single 5 V power supply. The LTC1043 switched-capacitor instrumentation building block provides a differential-to-single-ended transition using a flying-capacitor technique. C1 alternately samples the differential input signal and charges ground referred C2 with this information. The LTC1052 measures the voltage across C2 and provides the circuit's output. Gain is set by the ratio of the amplifier's feedback resistors. Normally, the LTC1052's output stage can swing within 15 mV of ground. If operation all the way to zero is required, the circuit shown in dashed lines can be employed. This configuration uses the remaining LTC1043 section to generate a small negative voltage by inverting the diode drop. This potential drives the 10-K $\Omega$ , pull-down resistor, forcing the LTC1052's output into class A operation for voltages near zero. Note that the circuit's switched-capacitor front-end forms a sampled-data filter allowing the common-mode rejection ratio to remain high, even with increasing frequency. The 0.0047 $\mu F$  unit sets front-end switching frequency at a few hundred Hz.

## STRAIN GAUGE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



MAXIM

Fig. 46-2

This circuit has an overall gain of 320. More gain can easily be obtained by lowering the value of R2. Untrimmed  $V_{OS}$  is 10  $\mu$ V, and  $V_{OS}$  tempco is less than 0.1  $\mu$ V/ $^{\circ}$ C. In many circuits, the OP07 can be omitted, with the two MAX421 differential outputs connected directly to the differential inputs of an integrating a/d.

## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

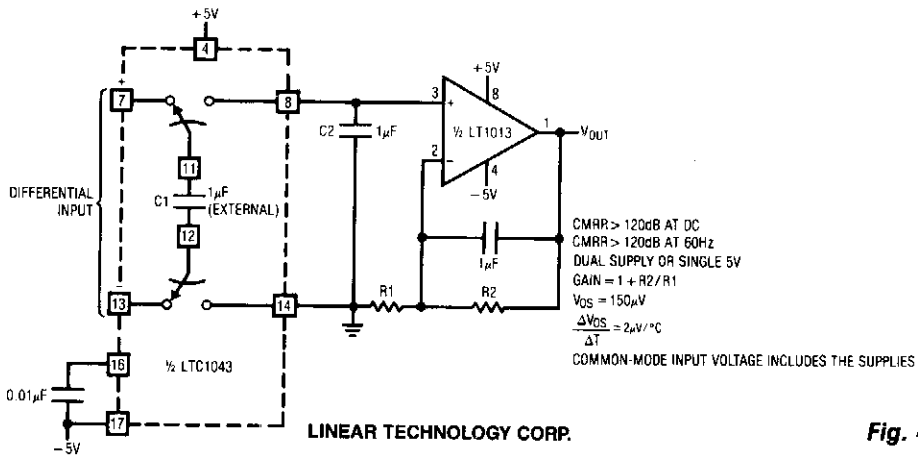
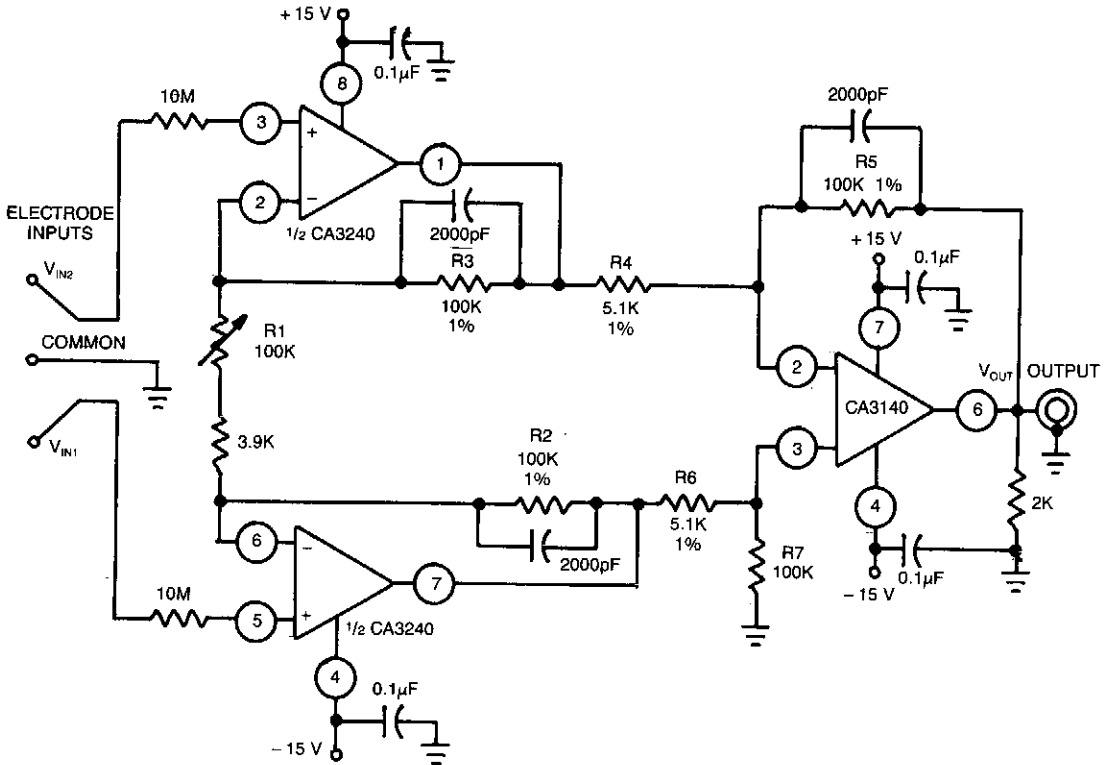


Fig. 46-3



## BIOMEDICAL INSTRUMENTATION DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER

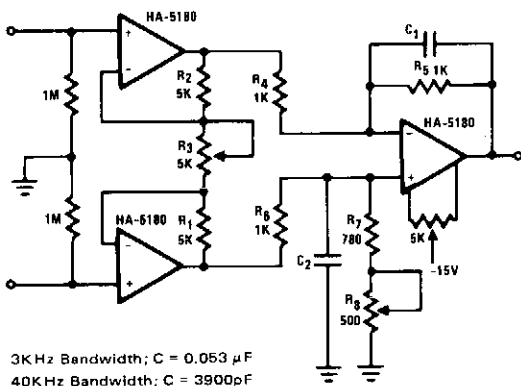


GE/RCA

Fig. 46-5

This differential amplifier uses the isolated high-impedance inputs of the CA3420 BiMOS op amp. Because the CA3240's input current is only 50 pA maximum, 10-M $\Omega$  resistors can be used in series with the input probes to limit the current to 2  $\mu$ A under a fault condition.

## DIFFERENTIAL INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

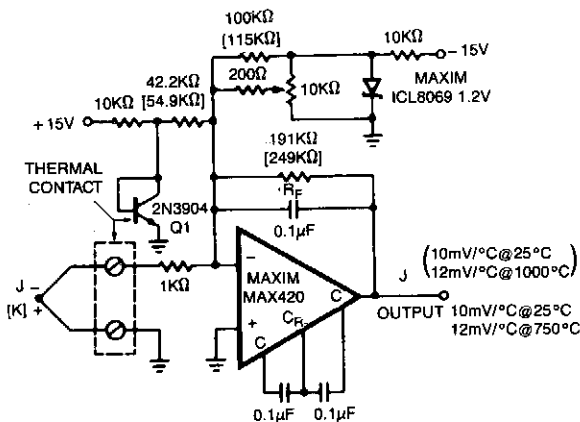


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Fig. 46-6

This circuit relies on extremely high input impedance for effective operation. The HA-5180 with its JFET input stage, performs well as a pre-amplifier. The standard three amplifier configuration is used with very close matching of the resistor ratios  $R5/R4$  and  $(R7 + R8)/R6$ , to insure high common-mode rejection (CMR). The gain is controlled through  $R3$  and is equal to  $2R1/R3$ . Additional gain can be had by increasing the ratios  $R5/R4$  and  $(R7 + R8)/R6$ . The capacitors  $C1$  and  $C2$  improve the ac response by limiting the effects of transients and noise. Two suggested values are given for maximum transient suppression at frequencies of interest. Some of the faster DVM's are operating at peak sampling frequency of 3-kHz, hence the 4-kHz, low-pass time constant. The 40-kHz, low-pass time constant for ac voltage ranges is an arbitrary choice, but should be chosen to match the bandwidth of the other components in the system.  $C1$  and  $C2$  might however, reduce CMR for ac signals if not closely matched. Input impedances have also been added to provide adequate dc bias currents for the HA-5180 when open-circuited.

## THERMOCOUPLE PREAMPLIFIER

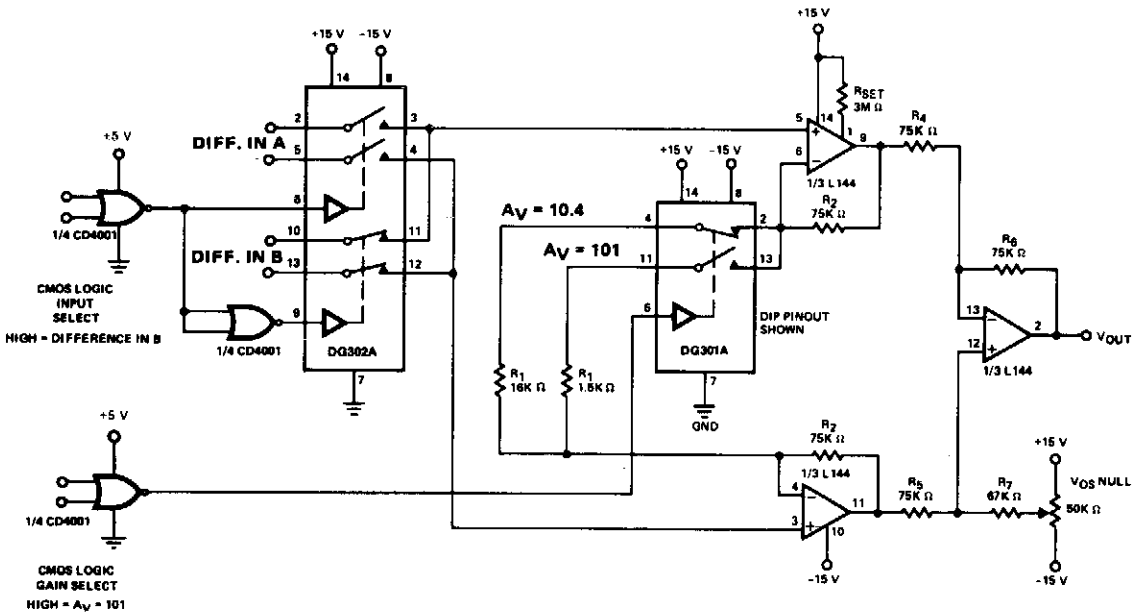


MAXIM

Fig. 46-7

The MAX420 is operated at a gain of 191 to convert the  $52 \mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$  output of the type J thermocouple to a  $10 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$  signal. The  $-2.2 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$  tempco of the 2N3904 is added into the summing junction with a gain of 42.2 to provide cold-junction compensation. The ICL8069 is used to remove the offset caused by the 600-mV initial voltage of the 2N3904. Adjust the 10-K $\Omega$  trimpot for the proper reading with the 2N3904 and isothermal connection block at a temperature near the center of the circuit's operating range. Use the component values shown in parentheses when using a type K thermocouple.

## LOW-POWER INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



RSET programs L144 power dissipation, gain-bandwidth product. Refer to AN73-6 and the L144 data sheet.

Voltage gain of the instrumentation amplifier is:

$$A_V = 1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1} \quad (\text{In the circuit shown, } A_{V1} = 10.4, A_{V2} = 101)$$

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## Integrator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Resettable Integrator

Integrator with Programmable Reset Level



## RESETTABLE INTEGRATOR

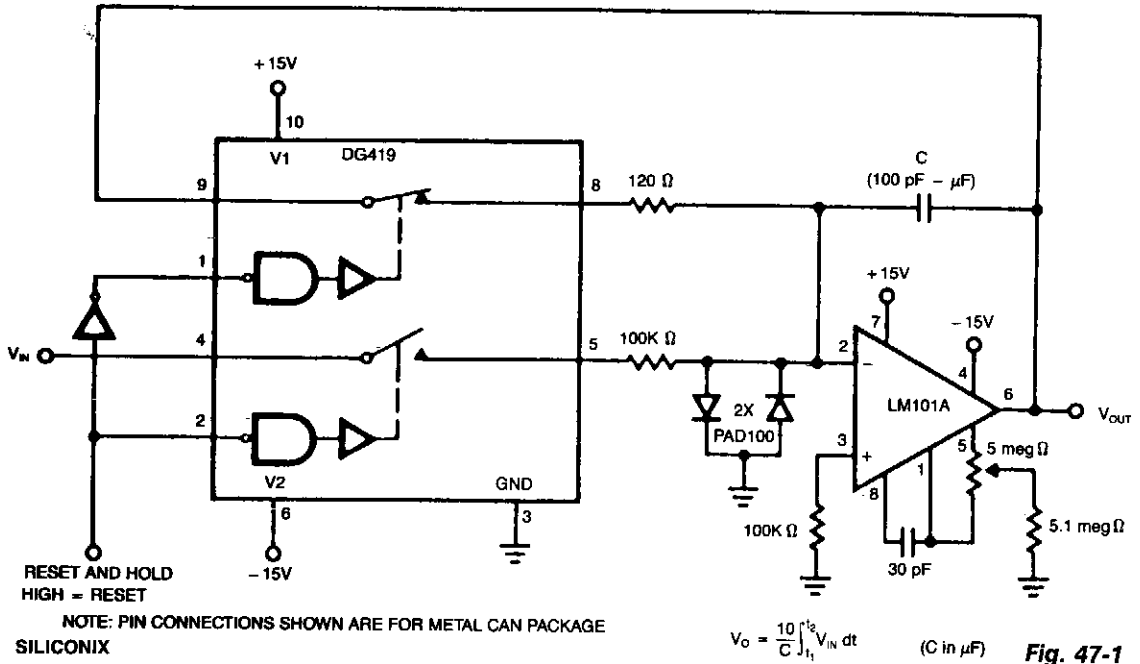
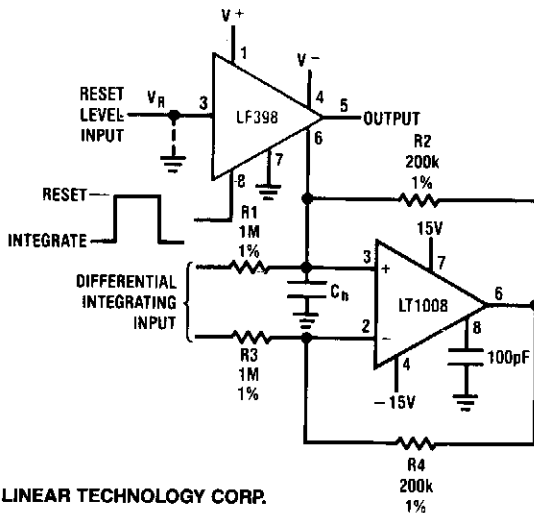


Fig. 47-1

The low  $r_{DS(on)}$  and high peak current capability of the DG419 makes it ideal for discharging an integrator capacitor. A high logic input pulse disconnects the integrator from the analog input and discharges the capacitor. When the logic input lowers, the integrator is triggered. D1 and D2 prevent the capacitor from charging to over 15 V.

## INTEGRATOR WITH PROGRAMMABLE RESET LEVEL



$$V_{OUT} (\text{HOLD MODE}) = \left[ \frac{1}{(R1)C_h} \int_0^t V_{IND} dt \right] + [V_R]$$

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Fig. 47-2

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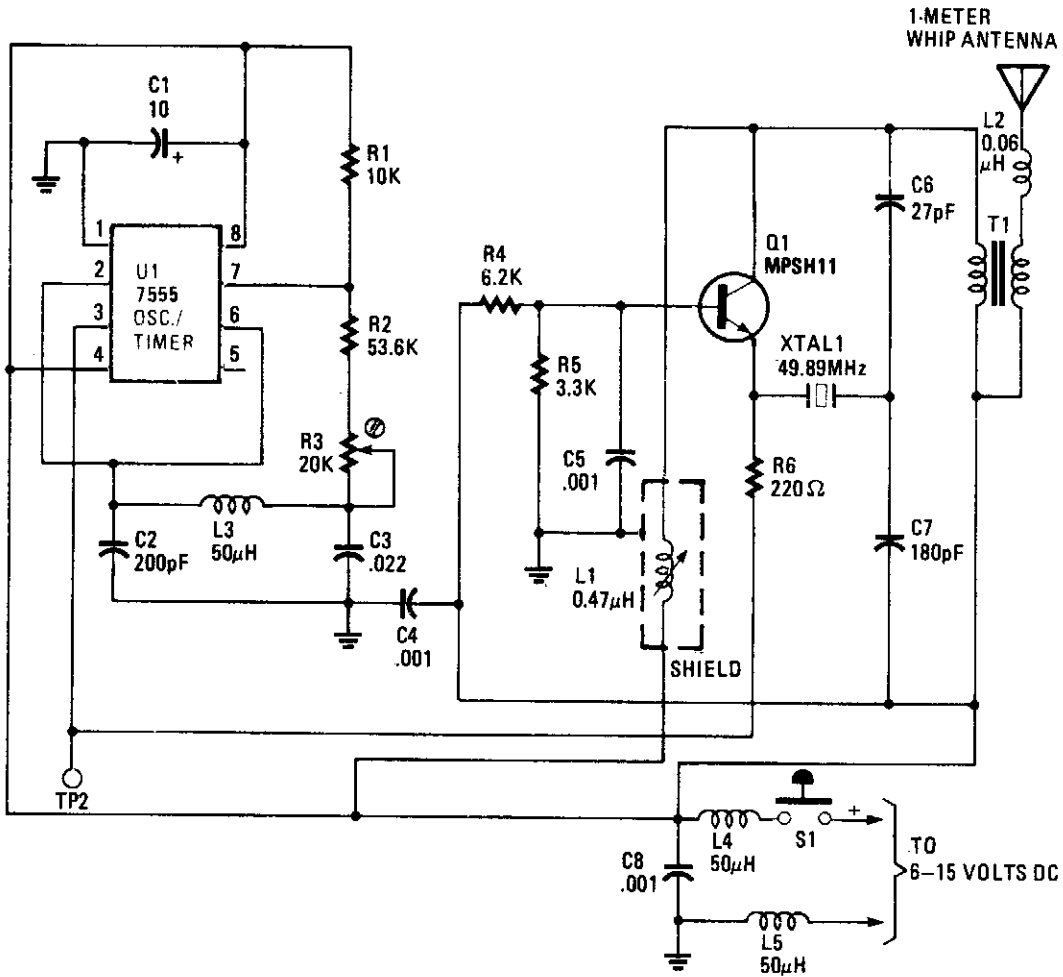
## Intercom Circuits

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Personal Pocket Pager  
Bidirectional Intercom System  
Intercom  
Hands-Off Intercom  
Two-Way Intercom

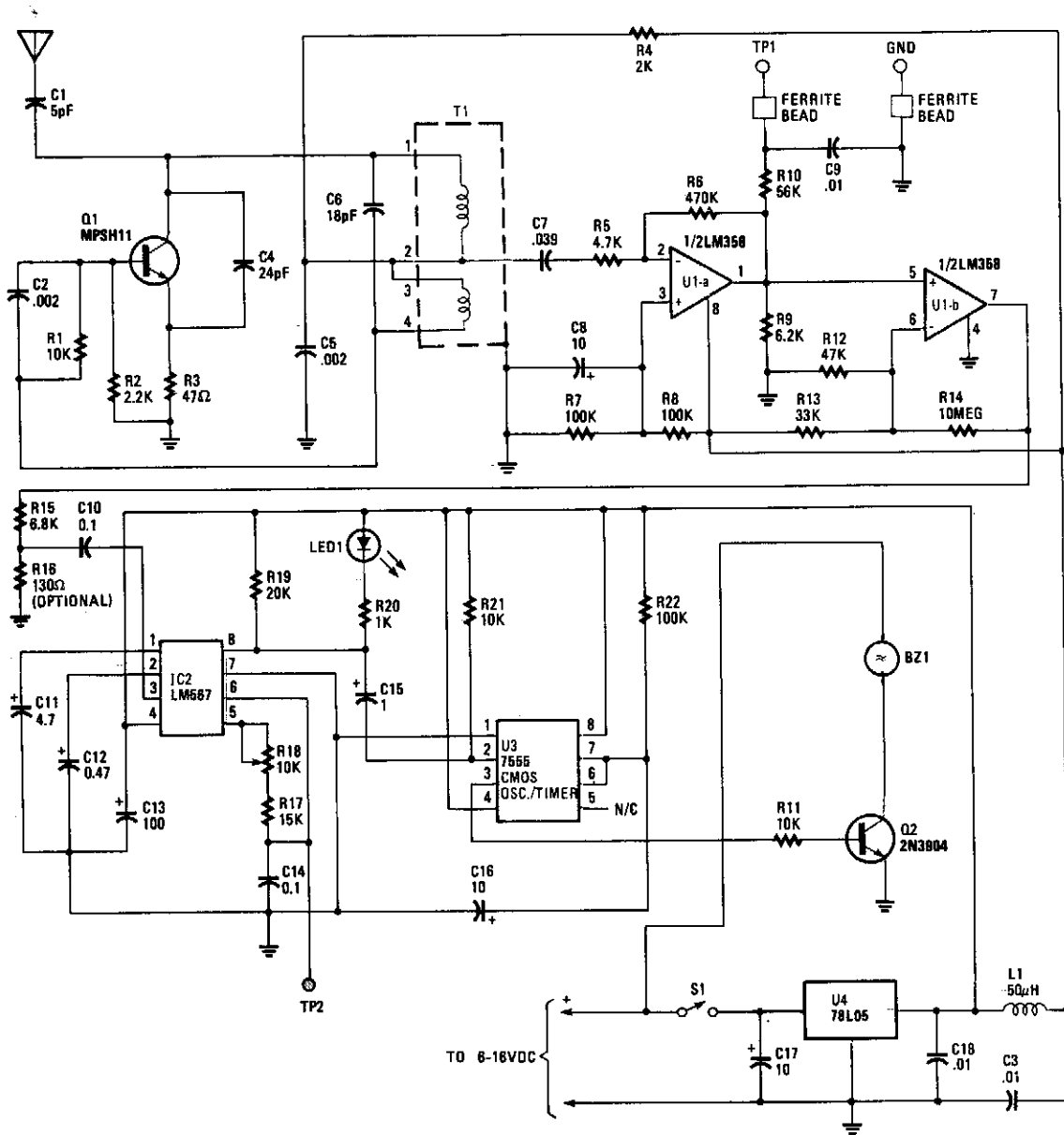
## PERSONAL POCKET PAGER



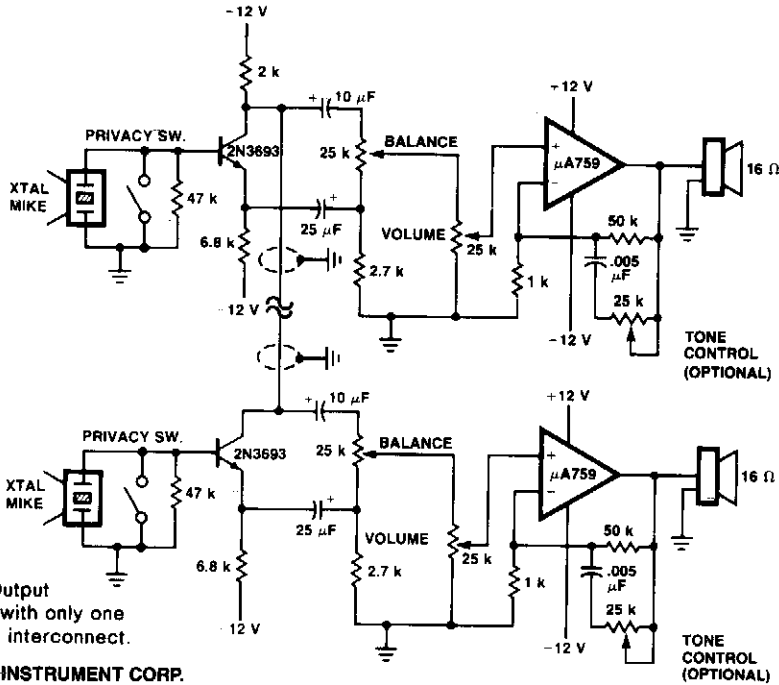
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS/POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-1

When activated, the transmitter sends out a 49.890-MHz, AM rf carrier. The receiver detects, amplifies, and decodes the rf signal, which, in turn, activates a piezo buzzer. The receiver is small enough to carry in a pocket or sit on your workbench. The transmitter is also small and fits easily into a pocket for quick access.



## BIDIRECTIONAL INTERCOM SYSTEM



### Features

- Circuit Simplicity
- 1 Watt of Audio Output
- Duplex operation with only one two-wire cable as interconnect.

FAIRCHILD CAMERA & INSTRUMENT CORP.

Fig. 48-2

This system uses  $\mu A759$  audio IC devices and a common connection between the preamps as an interconnect. Either mike can drive either speaker. Duplex operation is possible with only one cable (two wires).

## INTERCOM

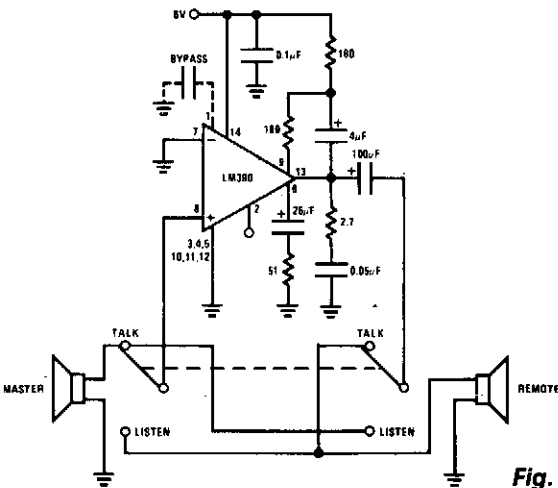
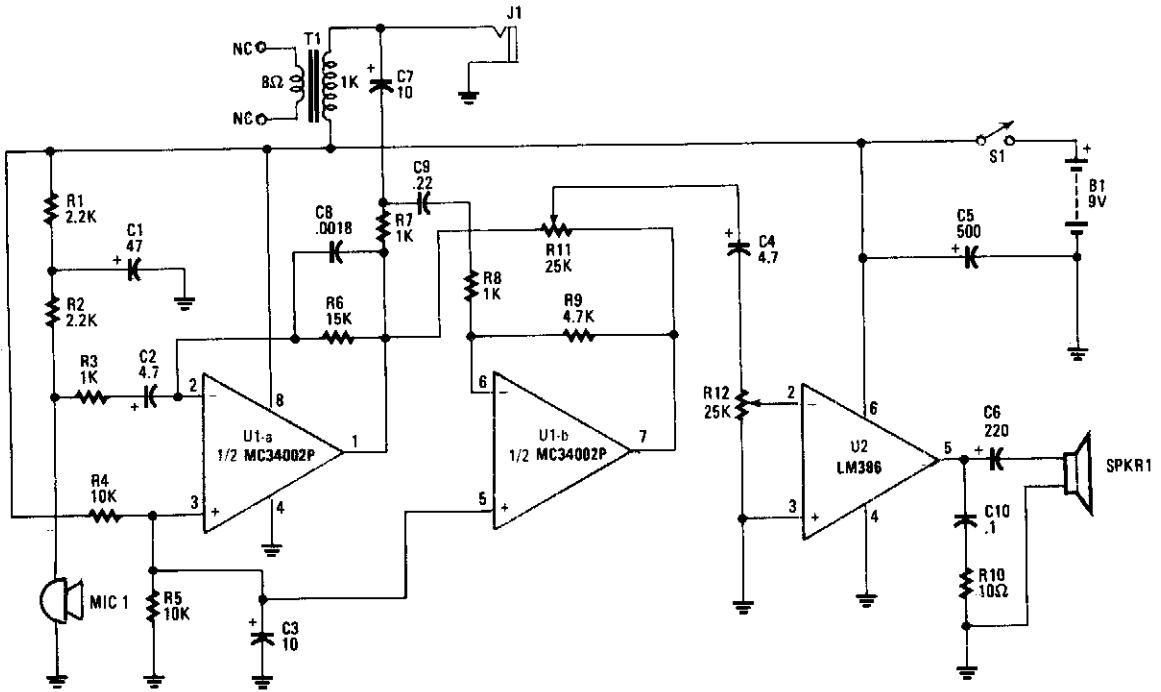


Fig. 48-3

This intercom uses a single audio IC as a two-way amplifier, and the speakers as microphones. A single 6-V supply provides adequate audio volume.

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## HANDS-OFF INTERCOM



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Fig. 48-4

Amplifier A increases the microphone's output to a usable level. The output signal is fed to op amp B, which inverts the signal 180°. A balance-control potentiometer connects across the outputs of amplifiers A and B. If an audio tone is fed into the microphone and the balance potentiometer's wiper is all the way over to the A output position, the tone will be heard at a high level. As the wiper is rotated toward the B output, the audio level will decrease until it just about disappears near the center of the potentiometer's range. As you continue to rotate the wiper, the signal will begin to increase once again.

With the balance control set for a minimal output, the intercom's tendency to self-oscillate from acoustical feedback between the microphone and speaker is kept to a minimum. The microphone's amplified signal at A's output is fed to the other intercom through the audio in/out cable. Since both intercom units are alike, the audio information coming from one unit feeds the other at the input of op amp B. The incoming audio is amplified slightly by op amp B and the output signal is sufficiently increased by the power amp to drive the speaker.



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## Inverters

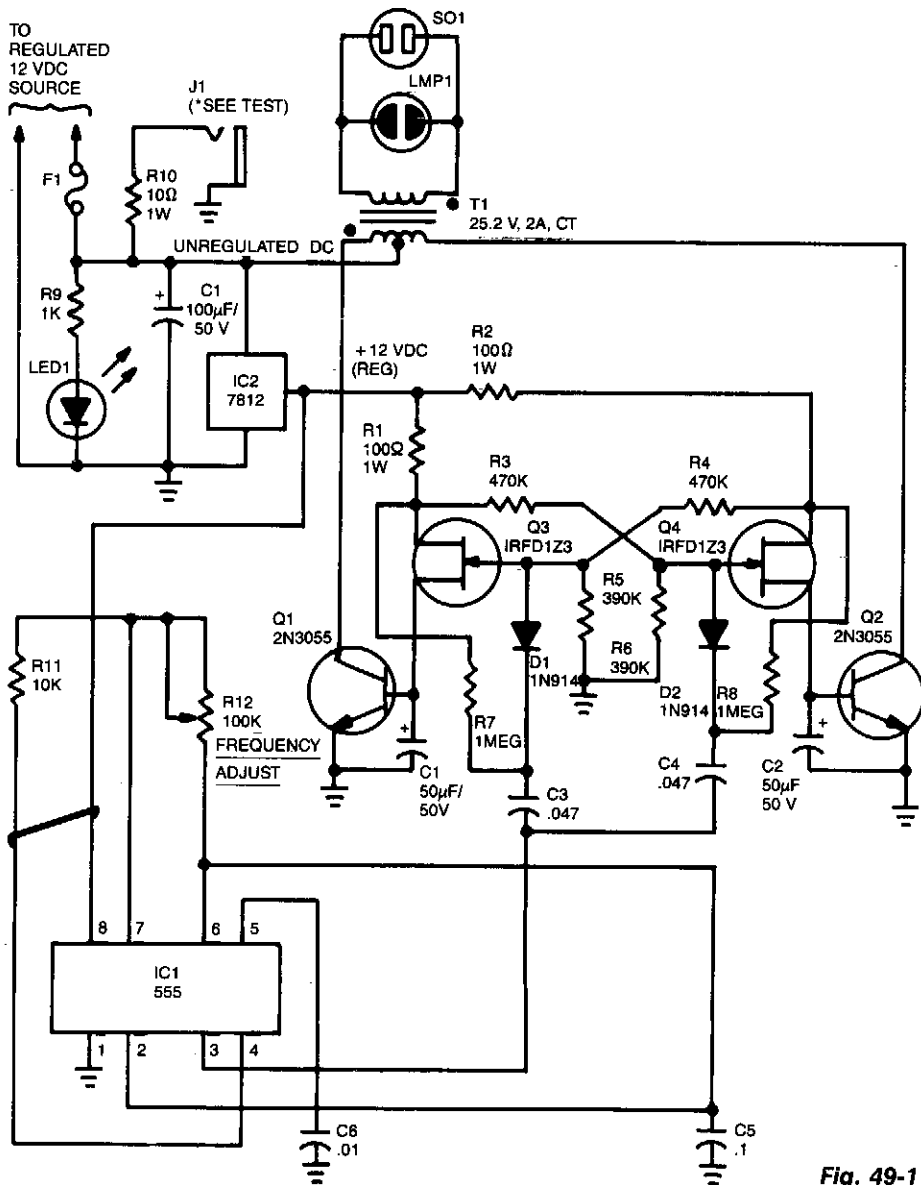
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12 Vdc-to-117 Vac at 60 Hz Power Inverter  
Power MOSFET Inverter  
Medium Power Inverter  
Complementary Output Variable Frequency  
Inverter  
Precision Voltage Inverter  
Power Inverter



## 12 VDC-TO-117 VAC AT 60 Hz POWER INVERTER



**Fig. 49-1**

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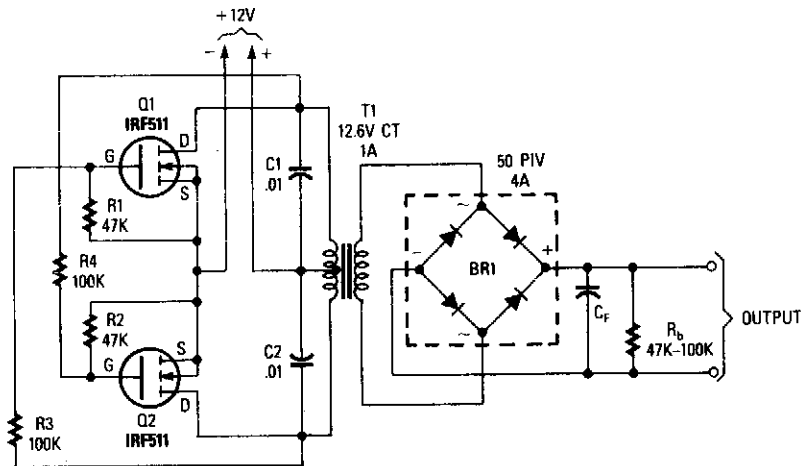
## 12 VDC-TO-117 VAC AT 60 Hz POWER INVERTER (Cont.)

Capacitor C5 and potentiometer R12 determine the frequency of the output signal at pin 3 of IC1, the 555 oscillator. The output signal is differentiated by C3 and C4 before it's input to the base of power transistors Q1 and Q2 via diodes D1 and D2, respectively. The signal from IC1 is adjusted to 120 Hz, because the flip-flop formed by transistors Q3 and Q4 divides the frequency by 2.

When Q3 is on, the base of Q1 is connected via R1 to the regulated 12-V supply. Then, when the flip-flop changes states, Q4 is turned on and the base of Q2 connected to the 12-V supply through R2. The 100 mA base current allows Q1 and Q2 to alternately conduct through their respective halves to the transformer's secondary winding.

To eliminate switching transients caused by the rapid switching of Q3 and Q4, capacitors C1 and C2 filter the inputs to the base of Q1 and Q2 respectively. Power for the unit comes from an automobile's 12-V system or from a storage battery. The power is regulated by IC2, a 7812 regulator. LED1, connected across the 12-V input, can be used to indicate whether power is being fed to the circuit. The neon pilot lamp, LMP1, shows a presence or absence of output power.

### POWER MOSFET INVERTER

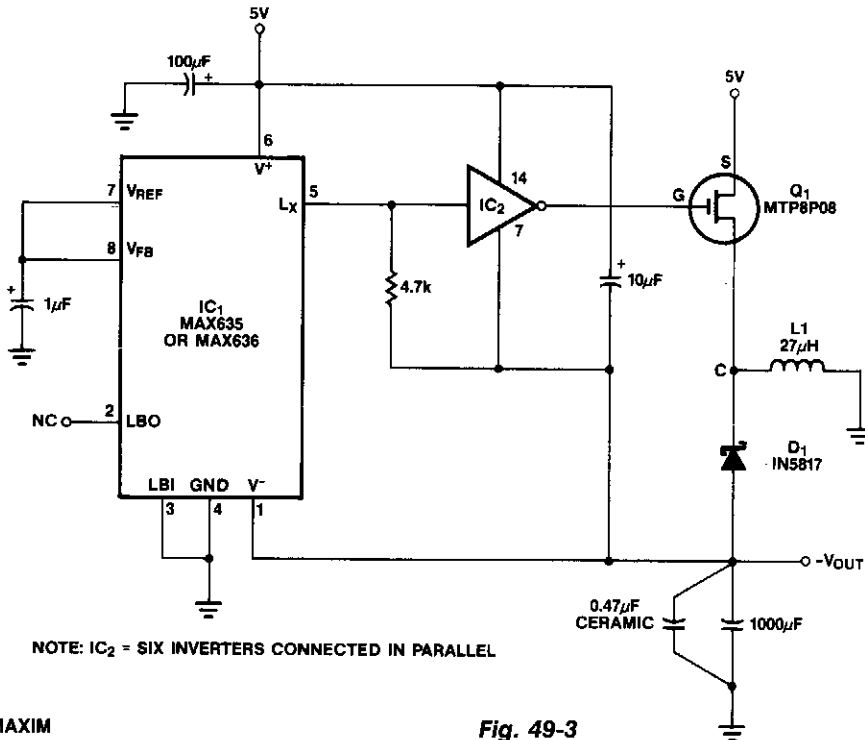


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Fig. 49-2

This inverter can deliver high-voltage ac or dc, with a rectifier and filter, up to several hundred volts. The secondary and primary of T1—a 12.6 to 440 V power transformer, respectively—are reversed; e.g., the primary becomes the secondary and the secondary becomes the primary. Transistors Q1 and Q2 can be any power FET. Be sure to heat sink Q1 and Q2. Capacitors C1 and C2 are used as spike suppressors.

## MEDIUM POWER INVERTER



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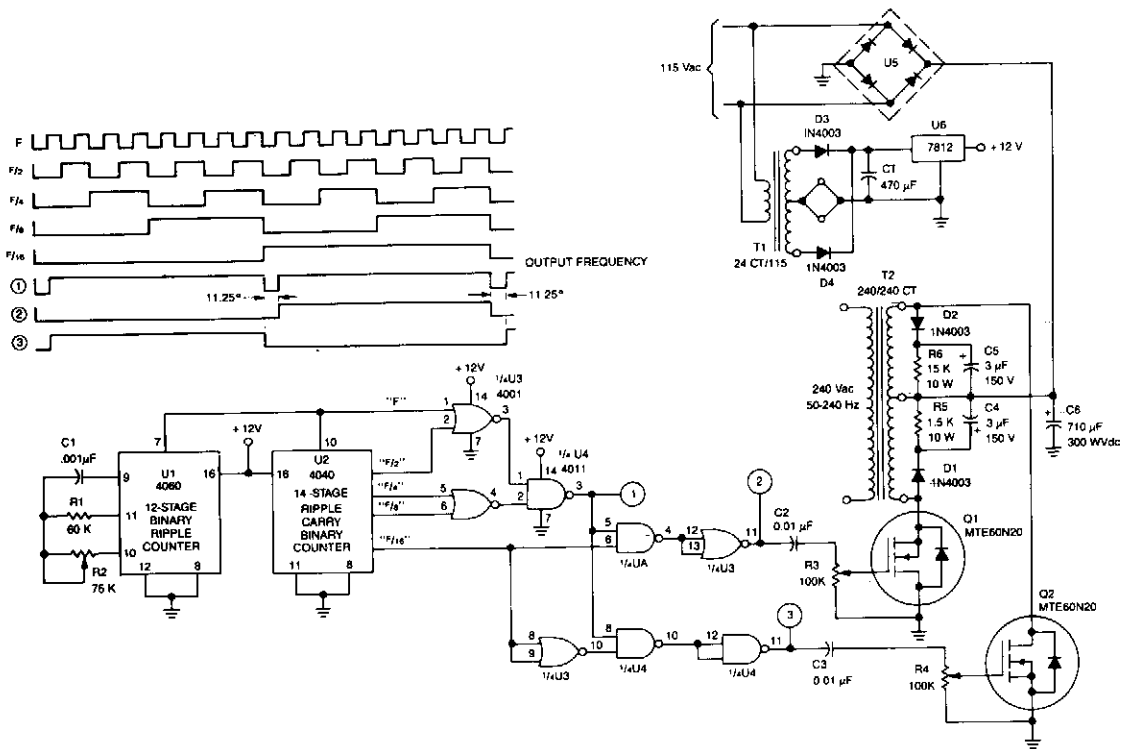
Fig. 49-3

In this circuit, a CMOS inverter, such as the CD4069, is used to convert the open drain  $L_x$  output to a signal suitable for driving the gate of an external P MOSFET. The MTP8P03 has a gate threshold voltage of 2.0 V to 4.5 V, so it will have a relatively high resistance if driven with only 5 V of gate drive. To increase the gate drive voltage, and thereby increase efficiency and power handling capability, the negative supply pin of the CMOS inverter is connected to the negative output, rather than to ground. Once the circuit is started, the P MOSFET gate drive swings from +5 V to  $-V_{OUT}$ . At start up, the  $-V_{OUT}$  is one Schottky diode drop above ground and the gate drive to the power MOSFET is slightly less than 5 V. The output should be only lightly loaded to ensure start up, since the output power capability of the circuit is very low until  $-V_{OUT}$  is a couple of volts.

This circuit generates complementary output signals from 50 to 240 Hz. Digital timing control ensures a separation of 10 to 15° between the fall time of one output and the rise time of the complementary output.

The digital portion of inverter U1 to U4 controls the drive to Q1 and Q2, both MTE60N20 TMOS devices. These devices are turned on alternately with 11.25° separation between complementary outputs. A +12-V supply for CMOS gates U1 to U4 is developed by T1, D3, D4, C7, and U6. The power supply for the TMOS frequency generator is derived from the diode bridge, U5, and capacitor C7; it is applied to the center tap of T2.

## COMPLEMENTARY OUTPUT VARIABLE FREQUENCY INVERTER



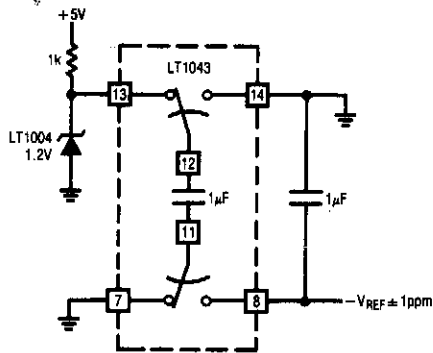
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**Fig. 49-4**

U1 is a 4060 12-stage binary ripple counter that is used as a free-running oscillator; its frequency of oscillation is:  $1/2.2 C1R2$ . The output of U1 is applied to U2, a 14-stage binary ripple counter that provides square-wave outputs of  $1/2$ ,  $1/4$ ,  $1/8$ , and  $1/16$  of the clock frequency. These signals are combined in U3 and U4 to provide a complementary drive for Q1 and Q2.

Outputs from U3 and U4 are ac-coupled to Q1 and Q2 via C2 and C4, respectively. R3 and R4 adjust the gate drive to Q1 and Q2. Q1 and Q2 alternately draw current through opposing sides of the primary to synthesize an ac input voltage at a given frequency. Only one side of the primary of T2 is driven at one time, so maximum power output is half of the transformer rating.

### PRECISION VOLTAGE INVERTER

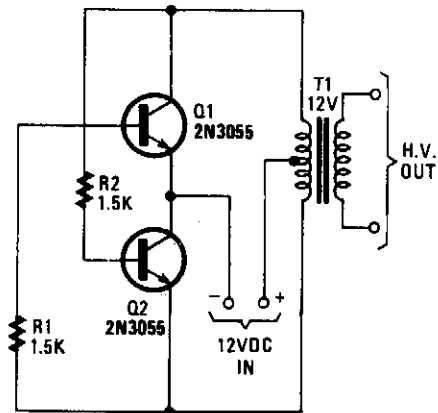


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Fig. 49-5

This circuit allows a reference to be inverted with 1 ppm accuracy, features high input impedance, and requires no trimming.

### POWER INVERTER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-6

The transformer can be any 6.3 or 12.6 V type. Apply the 12-Vdc input so the positive goes to the transformer's center tap and the negative goes to the two transistor emitters. Any bridge-type rectifier and filter can be used at the output, if you need dc.

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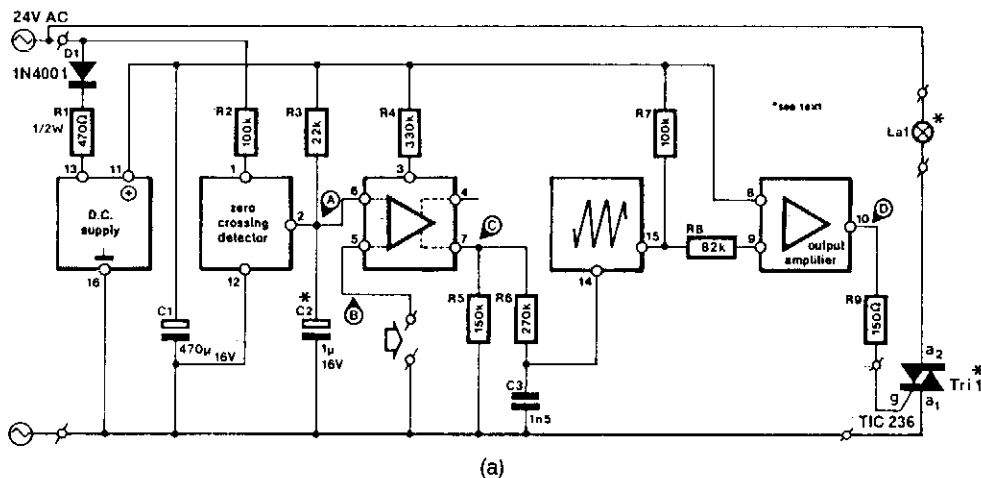
## Lamp-Control Circuits

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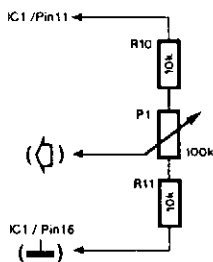
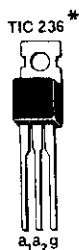
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|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Halogen Lamp Dimmer           | Solid-State Light Dissolver     |
| Pseudorandom Sequencer        | Line-Voltage Operated Automatic |
| Light Modulator               | Night Light                     |
| Lamp Life Extender            | 8-W Fluorescent Lamp Inverter   |
| Phase Control                 | Pulse-Width Modulation Lamp     |
| Triac Light Dimmer            | Brightness Controller           |
| 800-W Soft-Start Light Dimmer | Constant Brightness Control     |

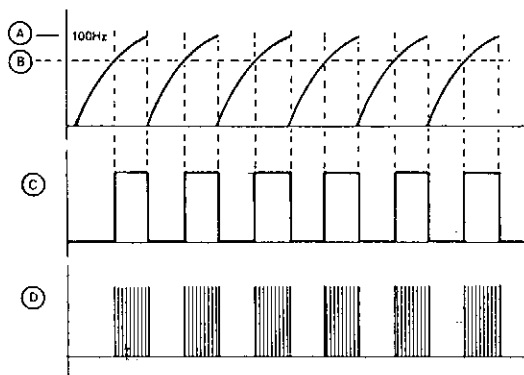
## HALOGEN LAMP DIMMER



□ = IC1 = TCA 280 A



(b)



(c)

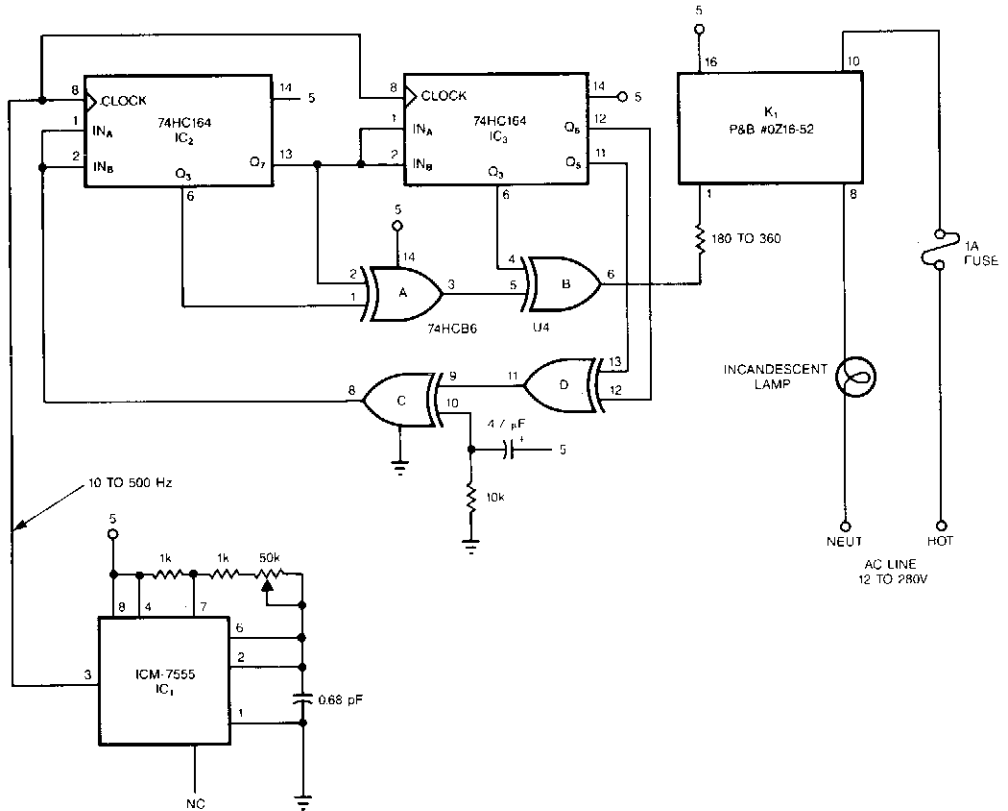
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Fig. 50-1

This circuit is suitable for fitting into slide projectors without a dimmer facility as with 24-Vac fed halogen lamps. With a few small alterations, it can also be used for dimming 12-V halogen lamps, but not those in a car, because these are fed from a dc source. The circuit shown in Fig. 50-1a is intended for operation from a 24-Vac supply, and can handle a lamp load of up to 150 W. For loads up to 250 W, the TIC236 should be replaced by a TIC246.

Figure 50-1b shows detail of the connection of a potentiometer to the intensity control input of the TCA280A. Voltage divider R10-P1-R11 is fitted externally and can be fed from the stabilized voltage available at pin 11 of IC1. The minimum and maximum intensities of the lamp are determined by R10 and R11, respectively.

## PSEUDORANDOM SEQUENCER



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**Fig. 50-2**

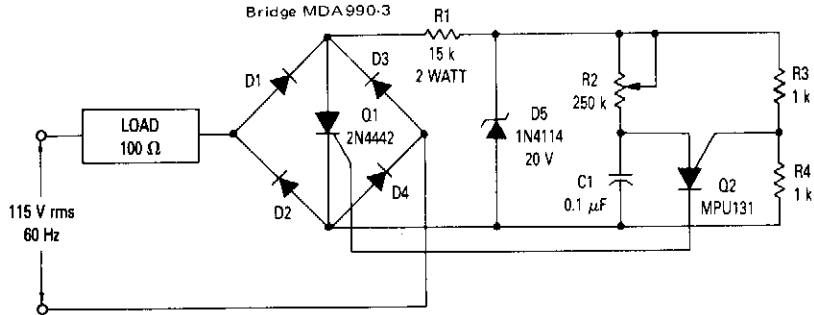
This pseudorandom sequencer drives a solid-state relay. If you power a low-wattage lamp from the relay, the lamp will appear to flicker like a candle's flame in the wind; using higher-wattage lamps allows you to simulate the blaze of a fireplace or campfire. You can enhance the effect by using three or more such circuits to power an array of lamps.

The circuit is comprised of an oscillator IC1 and a 15-stage, pseudorandom sequencer, IC2 through IC4. The sequencer produces a serial bit stream that repeats only every 32, 767 bits. Feedback from the sequencer's stages 14 and 15 go through IC4D and back to the serial input of IC2. Note the rc network feeding IC4C; the network feeds a positive pulse into the sequencer to ensure that it won't get stuck with all zeros at power-up. The leftover XOR gates IC4A and IC4B further scramble the pattern. The serial stream from IC4B drives a solid-state relay that features zero-voltage switching and can handle loads as high as 1 A at 12 to 280 Vac.





## PHASE CONTROL

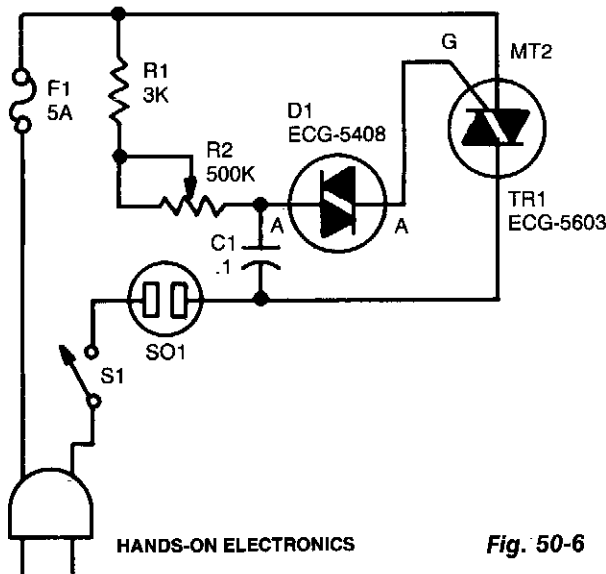


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**Fig. 50-5**

This circuit uses a PUT for phases control of an SCR. The relaxation oscillator formed by Q2 provides conduction control of Q1 from 1 to 7.8 ms or  $21.6^\circ$  to  $168.5^\circ$ . This constitutes control of over 97% of the power available to the load. Only one SCR is needed to provide phase control for both the positive and negative portion of the sine wave by putting the SCR across the bridge—composed of diodes D1 through D4.

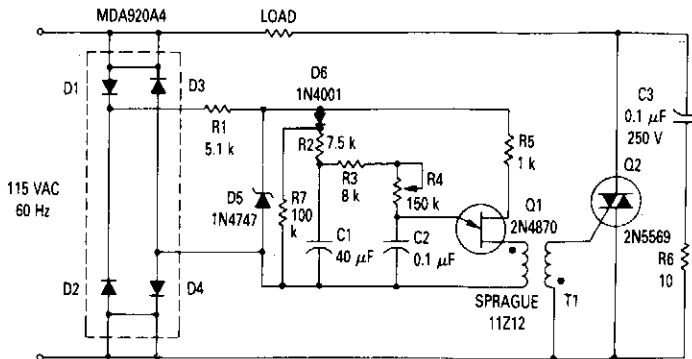
## TRIAC LIGHT DIMMER



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**Fig. 50-6**

## 800-W SOFT-START LIGHT DIMMER

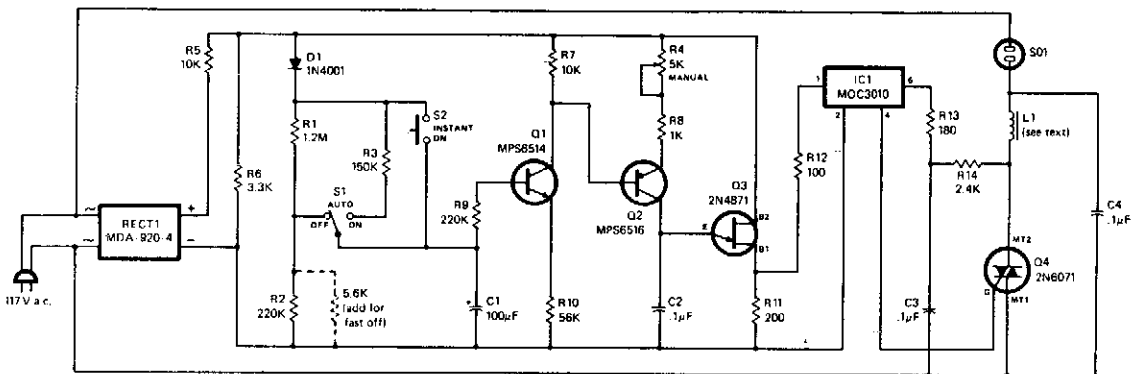


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Fig. 50-7

The zener provides a constant voltage of 20 V to unijunction transistor Q1, except at the end of each half-cycle of the input when the line voltage drops to zero. Initially, the voltage across capacitor C1 is zero and capacitor C2 cannot charge to trigger Q1. C1 will begin to charge, but because the voltage is low, C2 will be charged to a voltage adequate to trigger C1 only near the end of the half cycle. Although the lamp resistance is low at this time, the voltage applied to the lamp is low and the inrush current is small. Then the voltage on C1 rises, allowing C2 to trigger Q1 earlier in the cycle. At the same time, the lamp is being heated by the slowly increasing applied voltage. By the time the peak voltage applied to the lamp has reached its maximum value, the bulb has been heated sufficiently to keep the peak inrush current at a reasonable value. Resistor R4 controls the charging rate of C2 and provides the means to dim the lamp. Diode D6 and resistor R7 improve operation at low-conduction angles.

## SOLID-STATE LIGHT DISSOLVER



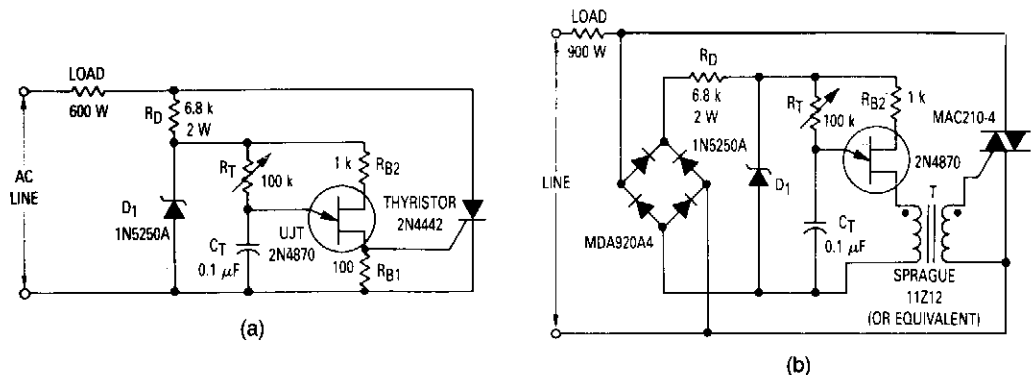
MODERN ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-8

## SOLID-STATE LIGHT DISSOLVER (Cont.)

The dimming action is controlled by varying the amount of current passed through triac Q4 and, thus, the lamp plugged into ac receptacle SO1. Unijunction transistor Q3 operates as a relaxation oscillator whose output pulse frequency depends on how fast capacitor C2 recharges after firing. Transistors Q1 and Q2 furnish the charging current, with the R3/C1 and R1/R2/C1 time-constant networks controlling the turn-on and turn-off times. Inside IC1 is a LED, a detector, and a small triac. In circuit, the low-level pulses coming from Q3 make the LED in IC1 emit short bursts of light that are picked up and converted into electrical current pulses by the internal detector. This small current triggers the internal triac, which then outputs the pulses to the gate of power triac Q4, triggering it on so that it delivers current to the lamp. Potentiometer R4 serves as a master control of the pulse rate and provides both manual control and a limit in the brightness of the lamp plugged into SO1. Momentarily pressing S2 causes the lamp to instantly turn on. Choke L1 suppresses any spikes produced by the power triac and limits interference with AM radio reception. No safeguards against interference need to be made for FM and TV reception, since these media are immune to this type of noise.

### PHASE CONTROL



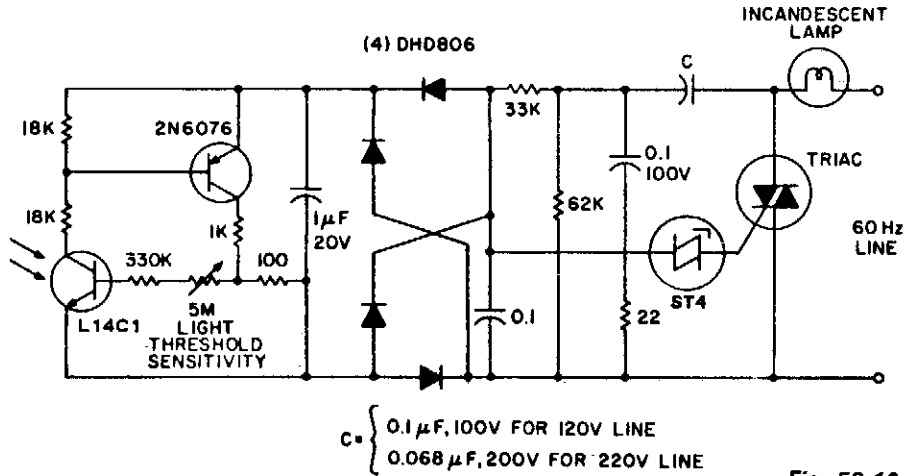
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Fig. 50-9

The most elementary application is a half-wave control circuit. The thyristor is acting both as a power control device and as a rectifier, providing variable power to the load during the positive half cycle and no power to the load during the negative half cycle. The circuit is designed to be a two terminal control which can be inserted in place of a switch. If full-wave power is desired as the upper extreme of this control, a switch can be added which will short circuit the SCR when  $R_T$  is turned to its maximum power position. Full-wave control might be realized by the addition of a bridge rectifier, a pulse transformer, and by changing the thyristor from an SCR to a TRIAC, shown in Fig 50-9b. In this circuit,  $R_{B1}$  is not necessary since the pulse transformer isolates the thyristor gate from the steady-state UJT current. Occasionally, a circuit is required to provide constant output voltage regardless of line voltage changes. Adding potentiometer P1 to the circuits will provide an approximate solution to this problem. The potentiometer is adjusted to provide reasonably constant output over the desired range of line voltage.

## LINE-VOLTAGE OPERATED AUTOMATIC NIGHT LIGHT

| SUGGESTED TRIAC | LAMP WATTAGE MAXIMUM |       |
|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
|                 | 120V                 | 220V  |
| SC141D          | 400W                 | 800W  |
| SC146D          | 550W                 | 1100W |
| SC151D          | 750W                 | 1500W |
| SC260D          | 1200W                | 2500W |
| SC265D          | 2000W                | 4000W |

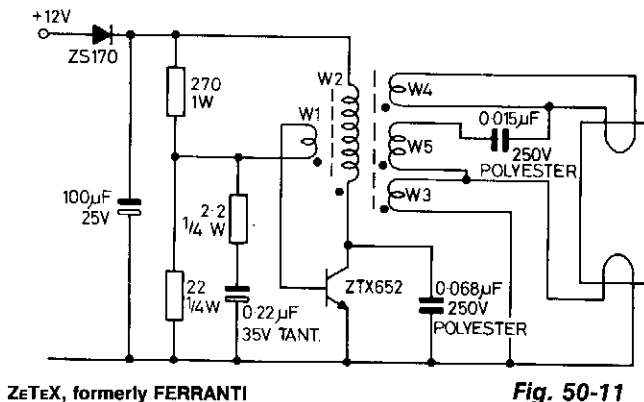


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Fig. 50-10

This circuit has stable threshold characteristics from its dependence on the photo diode current in the L14C1 to generate a base emitter voltage drop across the sensitivity setting resistor. The double phase shift network supplying voltage to the ST-4 trigger insures triac triggering at line voltage phase angles small enough to minimize RFI problems with a lamp load. This eliminates the need for a large, expensive inductor, contains the  $dV/dt$  snubber network, and utilizes lower voltage capacitors than the snubber of rfi suppression network normally used. The addition of a programmable unijunction timer can modify this circuit to turn the lamp on for a fixed time interval each time its environment gets dark. Only the additions to the previous circuit are shown in the interest of simplicity. When power is applied to the lamp, the 2N6028 timer starts. Upon completion of the time interval, the H11C3 is triggered and turns off the lamp by preventing the ST-4 from triggering the triac. The SCR of the H11C3 will stay on until the L14C1 is illuminated and allows the 2N6076 to commutate it off. Because of capacitor leakage currents, temperature variations and component tolerances, the time delay may vary considerably from nominal values.

## 8-W FLUORESCENT LAMP INVERTER



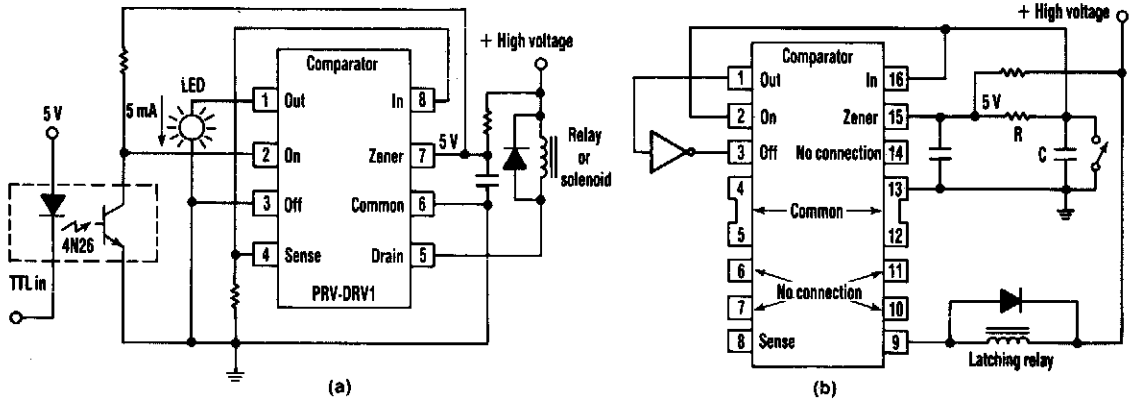
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Fig. 50-11

## 8-W FLUORESCENT LAMP INVERTER (Cont.)

This circuit has been designed to drive an 8-W fluorescent lamp from a 12-V source using an inexpensive inverter based on the ZTX652 transistor. The inverter will operate from supplies in the range of 10 to 16.5 V, thus making it suitable for use in on-charge systems such as caravanettes as well as periodically charged systems, such as camping lights, outhouse lights, etc. Other features of the inverter are an inaudible 20-kHz oscillator and reverse polarity protection.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATION LAMP BRIGHTNESS CONTROLLER

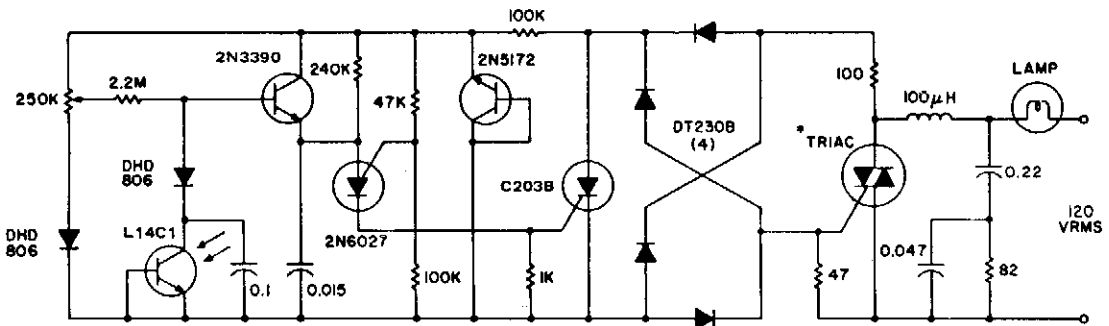


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 50-12

At half brightness, the lamp current is pulsed on and off (Fig. 50-12b) by the voltage developed across the resistor and capacitor at the current-sense output. Lamp current is sensed by the current-sense output. A simple pulse-width modulation lamp-brightness-control circuit can also be built with the device. When the device powers up, the sense output is low, pulling the comparator output and the on input low, and turning the FET switch on. When the switch is on, current from the sense output charges the capacitor in the rc timing network to the 200-mV comparator threshold voltage. The comparator trips, turning the switch off. The charge then leaks off the capacitor, its voltage drops below 100 mV, and the FET is again turned on. The average current through the load is basically a function of the resistor value. The pulse-width modulation frequency on the other hand, is a function of the capacitor value.

## CONSTANT BRIGHTNESS CONTROL



\*The triac is matched to the lamp per chart

| SUGGESTED TRIAC | LAMP WATTAGE MAXIMUM |       |
|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
|                 | 120V                 | 220V  |
| SC141D          | 400W                 | 800W  |
| SC146D          | 550W                 | 1100W |
| SC151D          | 750W                 | 1500W |
| SC260D          | 1200W                | 2500W |
| SC265D          | 2000W                | 4000W |

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Fig. 50-13

An automatic control maintains a lamp at a constant brightness over a wide range of supply voltages. This circuit utilizes the consistency of photodiode response to control the phase angle of power line voltage applied to the lamp and can vary the power between that available and  $\approx 30\%$  of available. This provides a candlepower range from 100% to less than 10% of nominal lamp output. The 100- $\mu$ H choke, resistor, and capacitors form an rlc filter network that is used to eliminate conducted RFI.

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## Laser Circuits

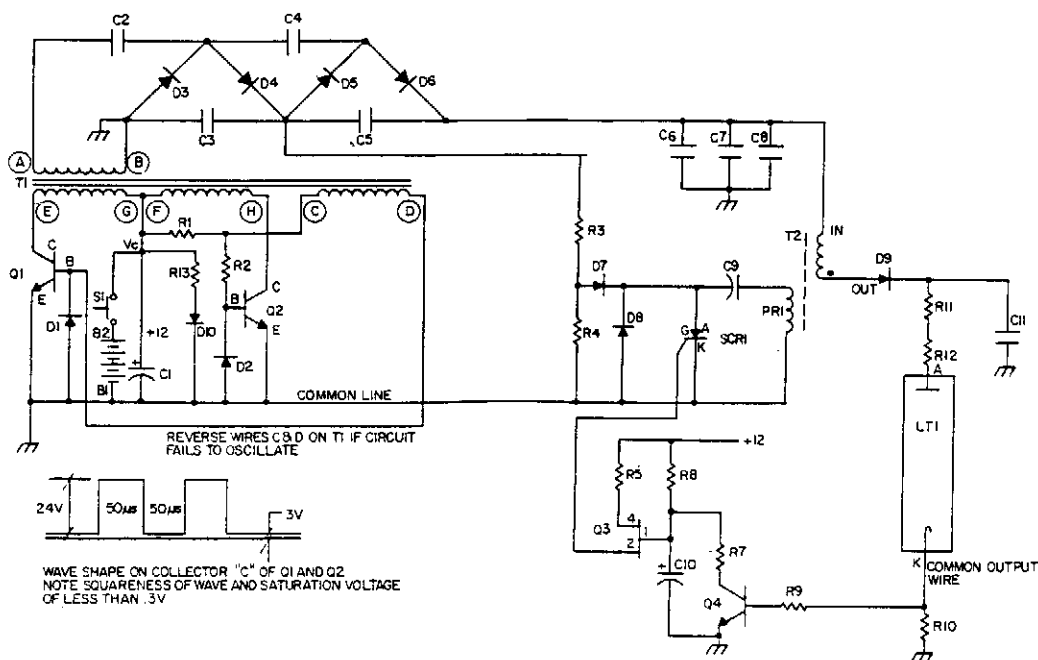
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Visible Red Continuous Laser Gun  
Laser Diode Pulsers



## VISIBLE RED CONTINUOUS LASER GUN

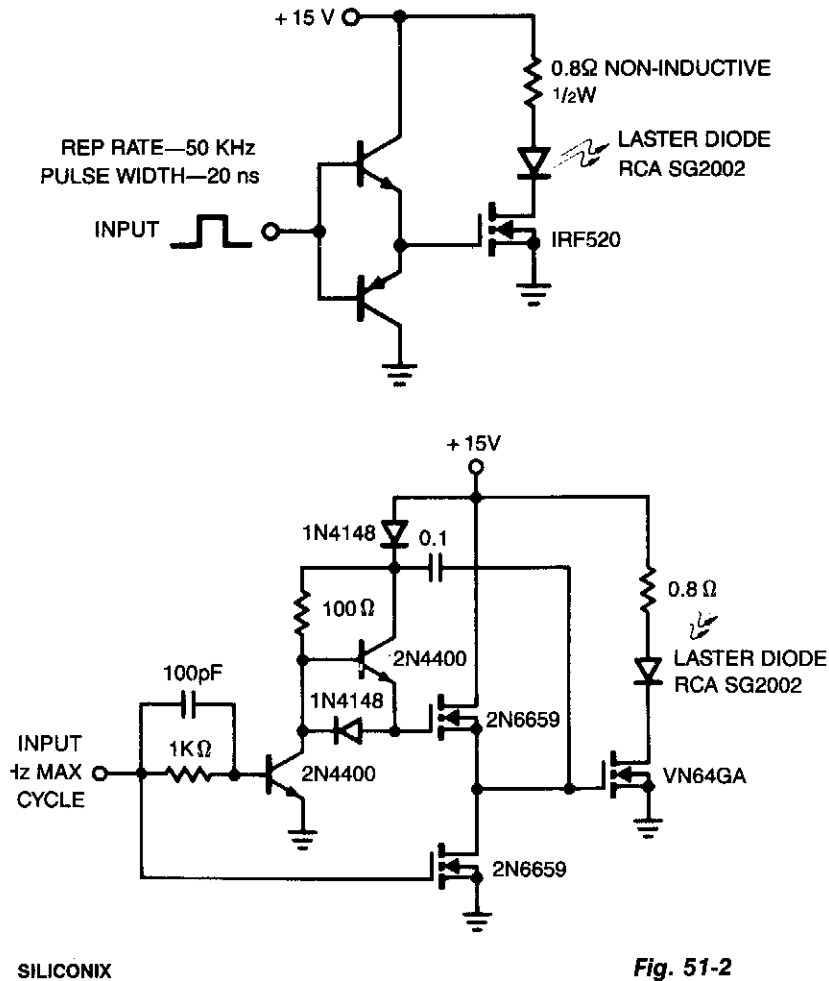


TAB BOOKS

**Fig. 51-1**

Q1 and Q2 switch the primary windings of transformer T1 via a square wave at a frequency determined by its magnetic properties. Diodes D1 and D2 provide base return paths for the feedback current of Q1 and Q2. The output winding of T1 is connected to a multiple section voltage multiplier. That multiplier consists of capacitors C1 through C5 and diodes D3 through D6. Resistors R3 and R4 divide the 800 V taken off at the junction of C3, and C5 for charging the dump capacitor C9 in the ignitor circuit. The ignitor, consisting of the T2 pulse transformer and capacitor discharge circuitry, provides the high-voltage dc pulse to ignite the laser the SCR1 dumping the energy of capacitor C9 into the primary of T2. The high-voltage pulses in capacitor C11 through rectifier diode D9. When C11 is charged to a LT1, ignition takes place and a current now flows that is sufficient to sustain itself at the lower voltage output of the voltage multiplier section. The path for this sustaining current is through the secondary of T2 and ballast resistors R11 and R12. The ignitor circuit is now deactivated by the clamping of Q3 emitter via Q4 being turned on by the voltage drop occurring across R10. This voltage drop will only occur when the laser tube is ignited and causes the SCR1 to cease firing; otherwise, the ignitor circuit would continue to operate, unnecessarily drawing on the limited power available.

## LASER DIODE PULSERS



The laser diode pulser is a simple drive circuit capable of driving the laser diode with 10-A, 20-ns pulses. For a 0.1% duty cycle, the repetition rate will be 50 kHz. A complementary emitter follower is used as a driver. Switching speed is determined by the  $f_T$  of the bipolar transistors used and the impedance of the drive source. A faster drive circuit is shown. It can supply higher peak gate current to switch the IRF520 very quickly. This circuit uses a MOSPOWER totem-pole stage to drive the high power switch. The upper MOSFET is driven by a bootstrap circuit. Typical switching times for this circuit are about 10 ns for both turn-on and turn-off.

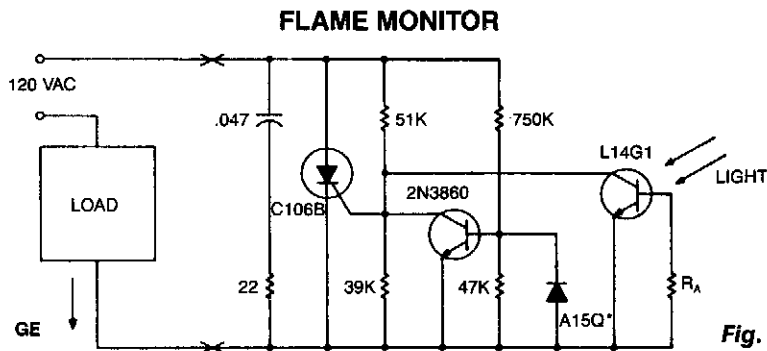
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# Light-Controlled Circuits

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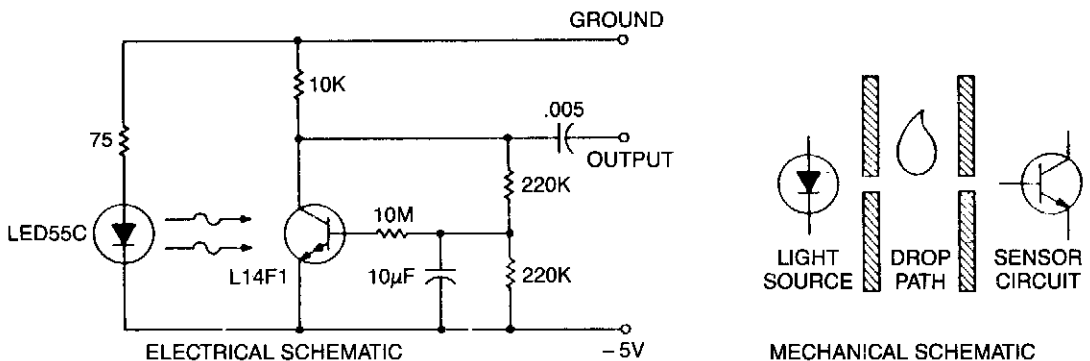
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Flame Monitor                    | Lighted Display and Brightness Control |
| Low-Light Level Drop Detector    | Warning Light and Marker Light         |
| Light-Controlled Lamp Switch     | Light-Controlled One-Shot Timer        |
| Optical Sensor-to-TTL Interface  | Solar-Triggered Switch                 |
| Light-Sensitive Audio Oscillator | Sun Tracker                            |
| Light Level Detector             | Photoelectric Ac Power Switch          |



Monitoring a flame and directly switching a 120-V load is easily accomplished using the L14G1 for point sources of light. For light sources which subtend over  $10^\circ$  of arc, the L14C1 should be used and the illumination levels raised by a factor of 5. This circuit provides zero voltage switching to eliminate phase controlling.

### LOW-LIGHT LEVEL DROP DETECTOR

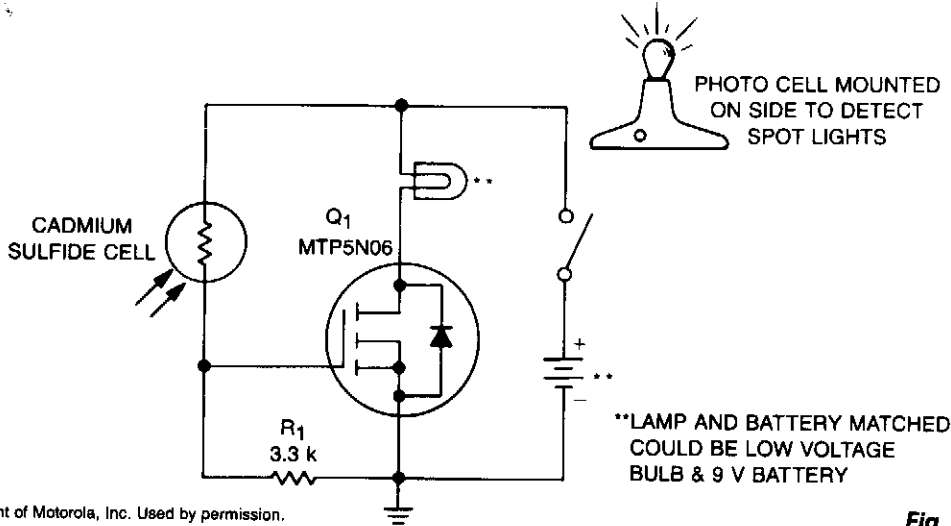


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**Fig. 52-2**

This self-biasing configuration is useful any time small changes in light level must be detected, for example, when monitoring very low flow rates by counting drops of fluid. In this bias method, the photodarlington is dc bias stabilized by feedback from the collector, compensating for different photodarlington gains and LED outputs. The  $10\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor integrates the collector voltage feedback, and the  $10\text{-M}\Omega$  resistor provides a high base-source impedance to minimize effects on optical performance. The detector drop causes a momentary decrease in light reaching the chip, which causes collector voltage to momentarily rise, generating an output signal. The initial light bias is small because of output power constraints on the LED and mechanical spacing system constraints. The change in light level is a fraction of this initial bias because of stray light paths and drop translucence. The high sensitivity of the photodarlington allows acceptable output signal levels when biased in this manner. This compares with unacceptable signal levels and bias point stability when biased conventionally, i.e., base open and signal output across the collector bias resistor.

## LIGHT-CONTROLLED LAMP SWITCH

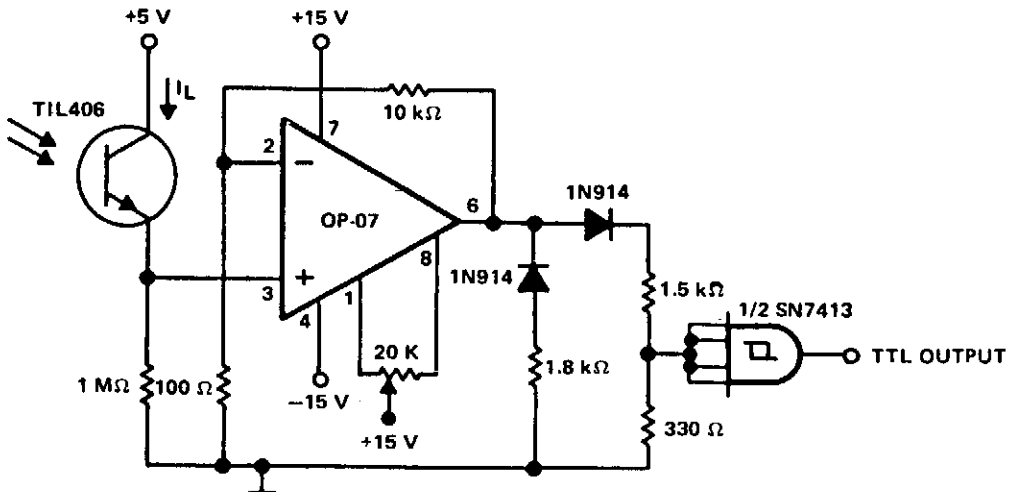


**Fig. 52-3**

A school drama needed lamps that automatically turned on and off when spot lights did the same. Lamp switching had to be wireless, durable, dependable, simple and inexpensive.

With stage and spot lights off, very little light falls on the CdS photocell, so its internal resistance is several megohms and R1 keeps the gate of Q1 at nearly zero volts, which keeps it off. When a spot or stage light hits the photocell, its resistance drops to several hundred ohms, raising Q1's gate voltage, which turns it on and applies power to the lamp.

## OPTICAL SENSOR-TO-TTL INTERFACE



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**Fig. 52-4**

## OPTICAL SENSOR-TO-TTL INTERFACE (Cont.)

This circuit is designed to detect a low light level at the sensor, amplify the signal, and provide a TTL-level output. When the optical sensor detects low-level light, on condition, its output is small and must be amplified. An amp with very low input bias current and high input resistance must be used to detect the on condition. When sensor TIL406 is in the on condition, its output is assumed to be 250 nA (allowing a safety margin). This results in a 250-mV signal being applied to the noninverting input of amplifier OP-07. Because of the circuit configuration, the OP-07 provides a gain of 100 and its output is in positive saturation. The OP-07 output level is applied to a loading network that provides the basic TTL level.

### LIGHT-SENSITIVE AUDIO OSCILLATOR

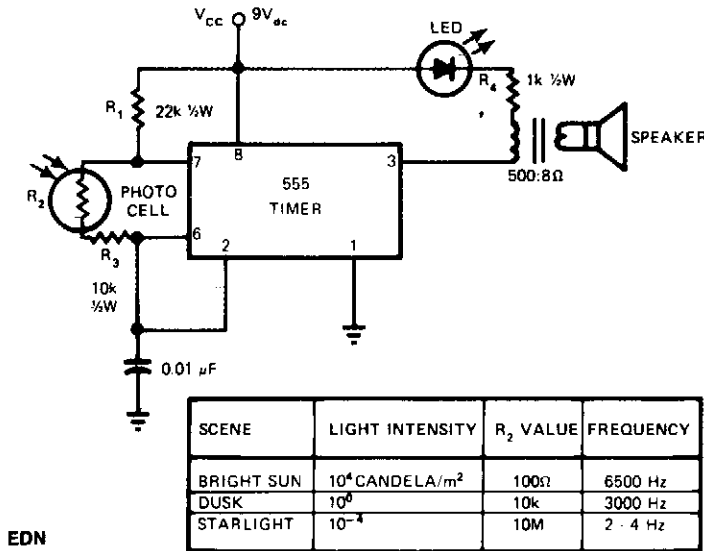


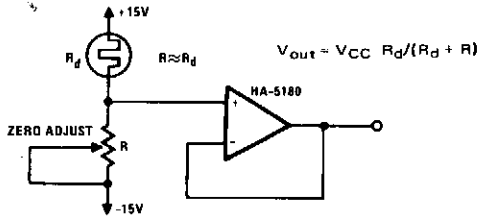
Fig. 52-5

This circuit's frequency of oscillation increases directly with light intensity. The greater the light intensity, the higher the frequency of the oscillator. The 555 timer operates in the astable oscillator mode where frequency and duty cycle are controlled by two resistors and one capacitor. The capacitor charges through R1 and R2, and discharges through R2, a standard photo cell. Resistor R3 limits the upper frequency of oscillation to the audio range. The lower range of approximately 1 pps is set by the value of R2, approximately 10-MΩ, with the photo cell almost totally dark.

A loudspeaker provides audio output, and an LED is used as a pilot light that flashes when the frequency falls below about 10 to 12 Hz. Extremely sensitive, especially on the dark end of the photocell resistance range, the unit can detect lightning many miles away, providing a rapid frequency increase with each flash of lightning. When used with a flashlight at night, the device becomes a simple optical radar for the blind, showing angular direction to a light-reflecting object, as well as height and distance to the object when hand scanned back and forth.

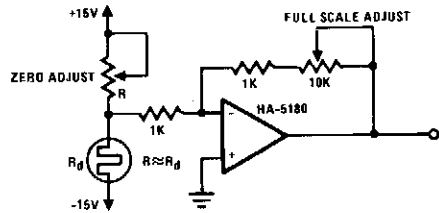
This light-sensitive audio oscillator can also serve as an audible horizontal level device by noting the position of a liquid bubble illuminated by a light source. Thus, you can sense fluid levels as well as the vibration state of a fluid surface level.

## LIGHT LEVEL DETECTOR



Cadmium Sulfide cells control two light detection circuits.

(A)



Cadmium Sulfide cells control two light detection circuits.

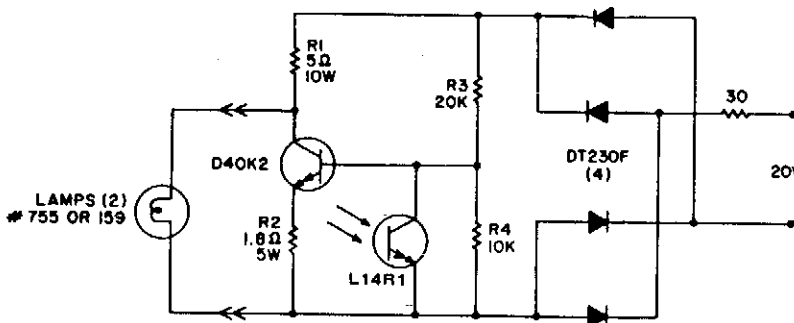
(B)

Fig. 52-6

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If  $R$ , the sensor matching resistor, is equal to the “dark” resistance of the cadmium sulfide cell, the amplifier output will range from 0 to  $\approx 2$  as the light level ranges from “dark” to “bright.” The circuit in Fig. B operates similarly, but use the standard noninverting configuration instead of the voltage-follower configuration; this allows for variable gain. Although the “dark” resistance of the cadmium sulfide cell is only  $\approx 7\text{ K}\Omega$ , the principles of operation apply to other types of detectors which require the high-input impedance of the HA-5180 for reasonable linearity and useability.

## LIGHTED DISPLAY BRIGHTNESS CONTROL

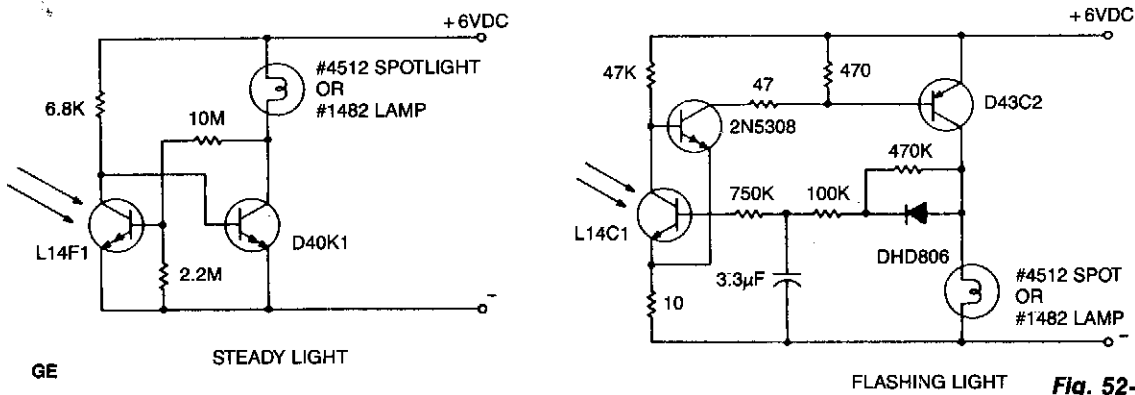


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Fig. 52-7

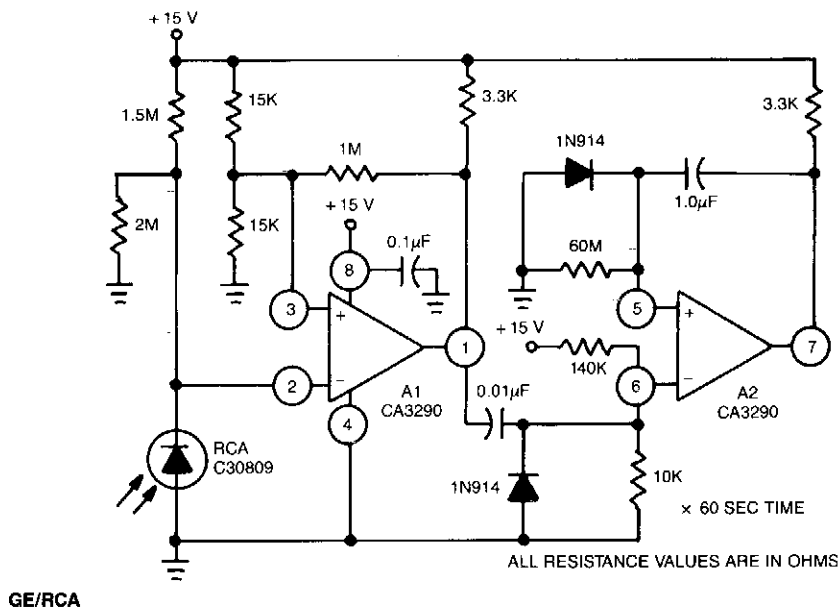
This circuit provides a very low cost method of controlling light levels. Circuit power is obtained from a relatively high source impedance transformer or motor windings, normally used to drive the low-voltage lamps used in these functions. It should be noted that the bias resistors are optimized for the 20-V, 30- $\Omega$  source, and they must be recalculated for other sources. The L14R1 is placed to receive the same ambient illumination as the display and should be shielded from the light of the display lamps. The illumination level of lighted displays should be lowered as the room ambient light dims, to avoid undesirable or unpleasant visual effects.

## WARNING LIGHT AND MARKER LIGHT



A flashing light of high brightness and short duty cycle is often desired to provide maximum visibility and battery life. This necessitates using an output transistor, which can supply the cold filament surge current of the lamp while maintaining a low saturation voltage. The oscillation period and flash duration are determined in the feedback loop, while the use of a phototransistor sensor minimizes sensitivity variations.

## LIGHT-CONTROLLED ONE-SHOT TIMER

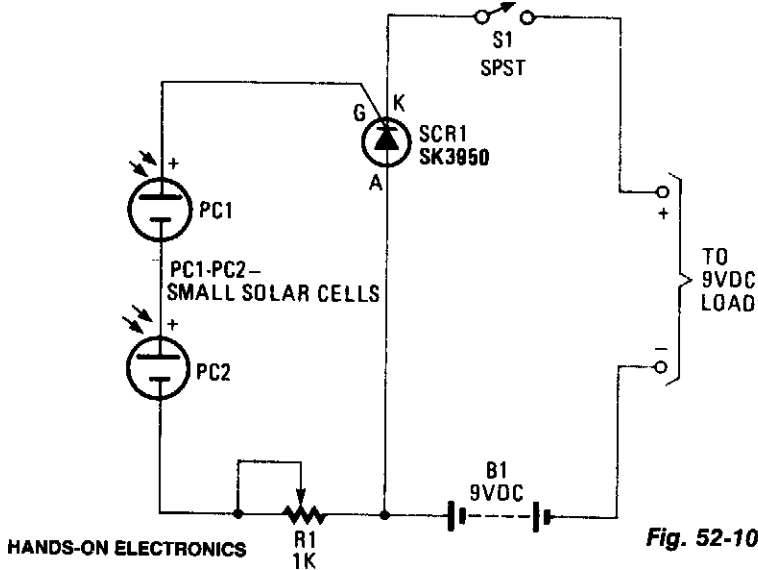


**Fig. 52-9**

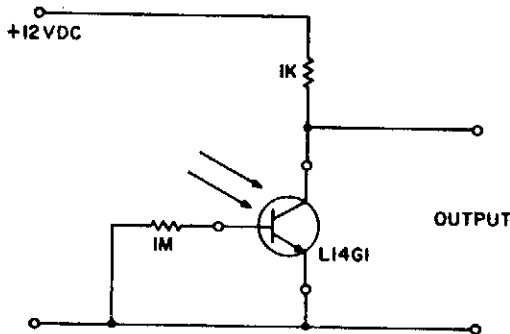
This circuit uses A1 of the CA3290 BiMOS dual voltage comparator to sense a change in light diode current. A2, a one-shot timer, is triggered by the A1 output. If the light source to the photodiode is interrupted, the circuit output switches to a low state for approximately 60 s.



## SOLAR-TRIGGERED SWITCH



## SUN TRACKER



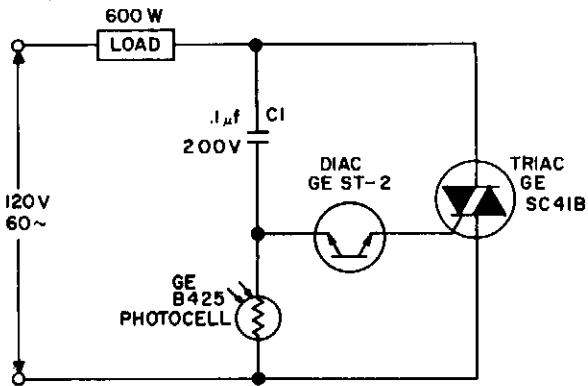
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Electrical



Mechanical  
Fig. 52-11

In solar cell array applications and solar instrumentation, it is desirable to monitor the approximate position of the sun to allow efficient automatic alignment. The L14G1 lens can provide about  $15^\circ$  of accuracy in a simple level sensing circuit, and a full hemisphere can be monitored with about 150 phototransistors. The sun provides  $\approx 80 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  to the L14G1 when on the centerline. This will keep the output down to  $\leq 0.5 \text{ V}$  for  $\theta \leq 7.5^\circ$ . The sky provides  $\approx 0.5 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  to the L14G1 and will keep the output greater than 10 V when viewed. White clouds viewed from above can lower this voltage to  $\approx 5 \text{ V}$  on some devices. This circuit can directly drive TTL logic by using the 5-V supply and changing the load resistor to  $430 \Omega$ . Different bright objects can also be located with the same type of circuitry simply by adjusting the resistor values to provide the desired sensitivity.

## PHOTOELECTRIC AC POWER SWITCH



For a dark photocell, high resistance, the voltage across the diac rises rapidly with the line voltage due to the current through C1, triggering the diac early in the cycle. When the photocell resistance is less than about  $2000 \Omega$ , the drop across it is limited to less than the diac triggering voltage, and the load power is shut off.

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Fig. 52-12

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## Limiters

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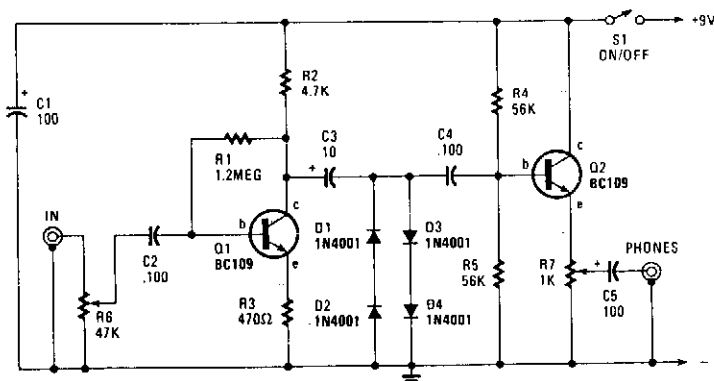
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Noise Limiter

Dynamic Noise Reduction Circuit

Output Limiter

## NOISE LIMITER

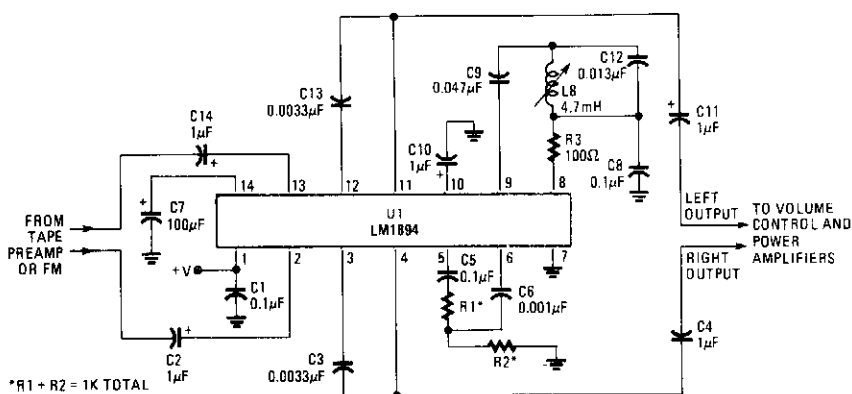


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Fig. 53-1

This circuit is fed from the earphone jack of your receiver and goes to limiter control R6 and is then amplified by Q1: a common-emitter stage that has a voltage gain of only about 10, because of the negative feedback introduced by R3. The output of Q1 is fed to a simple clipping circuit, consisting of diodes D1 through D4. The diodes, connected in pairs, act like Zeners with an avalanche rating of about 1 V. The two pairs are connected opposite in polarity to each other, so that the audio signal is clipped at about 1 V. The signal is then coupled to the output socket through an emitter-follower buffer stage built around Q2 and an output attenuator control R7.

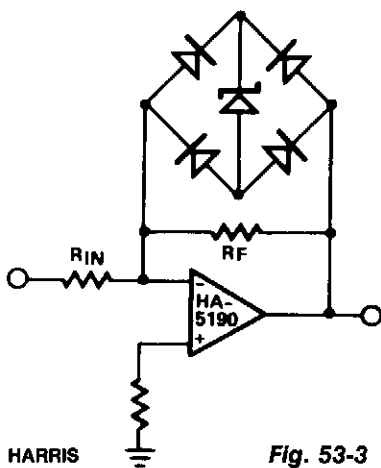
## DYNAMIC NOISE REDUCTION CIRCUIT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 53-2

## OUTPUT LIMITER



HA-5190 is rated for  $\pm 5$  V output swing, and saturates at  $\pm 7$  V. As with most op amps, recovery from output saturation is slow compared to the amplifier's normal response time. Some form of limiting, either of the input signal or in the feedback path, is desirable if saturation might occur. The circuit illustrates a feedback limiter, where gain is reduced if the output exceeds  $\pm (V_Z + 2V_f)$ . A 5-V zener with a sharp knee characteristic is recommended.

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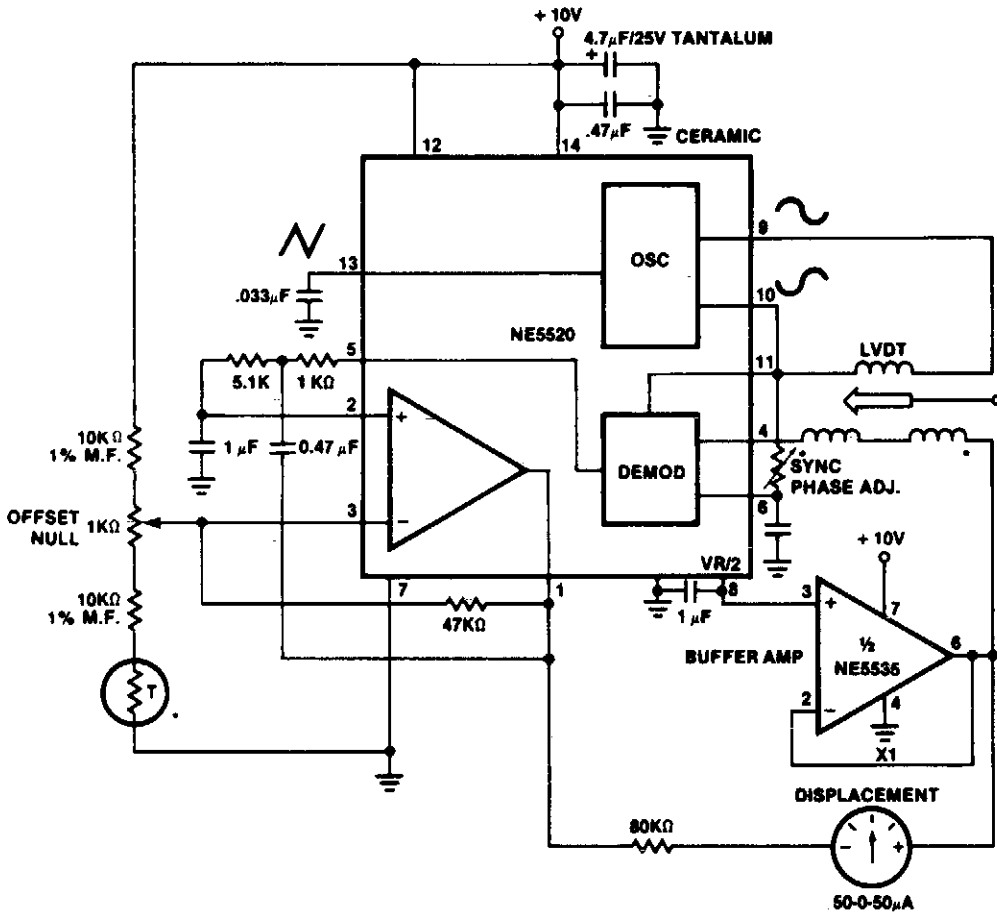
## LVDT Circuit

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LVDT Driver Demodulator

## LVDT DRIVER DEMODULATOR



SIGNETICS

Fig. 54-1

A very simple motion transducer can be constructed using the circuit shown. The output is biased to one-half the supply voltage. This requires special interface circuitry for the signal readout. One simple method is to use a zero center meter in a bridge configuration. Displacement now can be measured as a positive or negative meter reading. Readout sensitivity is a function of the particular LVDT and of the gain of the error amplifier. Dc offsets can be nulled by using a simple offset adjustment circuit as indicated.

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## Mathematical Circuits

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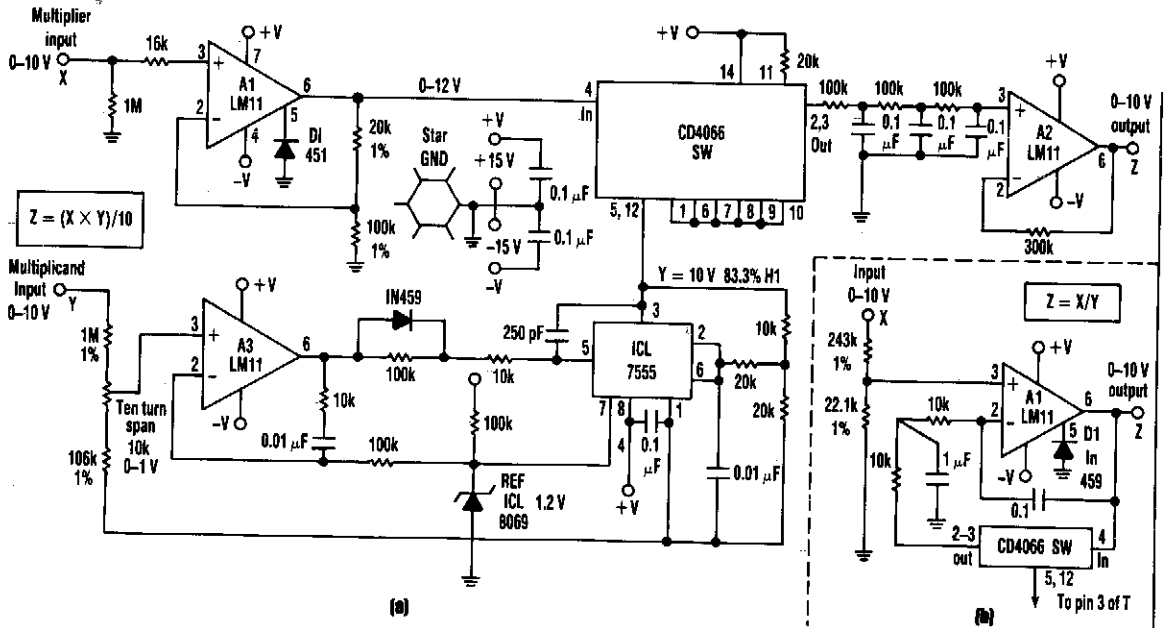
Divide/Multiply with Only One Trim

Adder

Subtractor



## DIVIDE/MULTIPLY WITH ONLY ONE TRIM



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 55-1

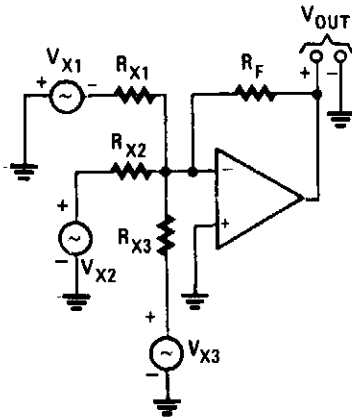
This relatively simple, inexpensive circuit requiring one trimming operation can multiply or divide with a consistent accuracy of greater than 1 part in 1,000. An inexpensive CMOS version of standard 555 timer chip T, in conjunction with low-drift LM11 error amplifier A3, an inexpensive analog chopper switch SW, form a unique voltage-to-duty-cycle converter to produce the difficult transfer function necessary for accurate conversion.

An unknown multiplicand voltage applied to the A3 error op amp circuit's Y input controls the duty cycle of the timer through its pin 5 modulation input. The network between the sink-and-source output of the timer, pin 3, and the state trigger inputs, pins 2 and 6, cause the timer to oscillate. An error feedback signal from the timer's discharge output, pin 7, represents the duty cycle. Integrating this duty-cycle signal with voltage reference REF representing full scale, and applying the result to the inverting input of A3, closes the feedback loop and insures high accuracy.

Multiplier X feeds into another LM11 op amp, A1, which acts as an input buffer and scaler. A third LM11, A2, filters and buffers the Z output. Between A1 and A2, the timer's duty-cycle output modulates the analog switches of a CD4066 to achieve the desired multiplier output. To perform division instead of multiplication, reconfigure the op amp A1 circuit with the use of jumpers. Amplifier A2 isn't required in the division configuration.

To calibrate the circuit, connect the X and Y inputs together and apply 10 V. Then adjust the 10-turn span potentiometer to achieve a 10-V output at Z for multiplication, or 1 V for the division configuration. Also check for zero output at a zero multiplier input. The circuit is scaled for 0 - 10 V inputs and outputs with a small overrange capability, but other scalings are possible. Star grounding or a heavy ground bus should be used to reduce offset problems that are unavoidable in this design.

### ADDER



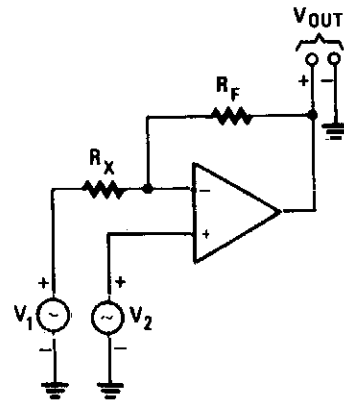
$$V_{OUT} = -\frac{R_F}{R_X} (V_{X1} + V_{X2} + V_{X3})$$

$(R_{X1} = R_{X2} = R_{X3})$

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 55-2

### SUBTRACTOR



$$V_{OUT} = V_2 + \frac{R_F}{R_X} (V_2 - V_1)$$

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Fig. 55-3

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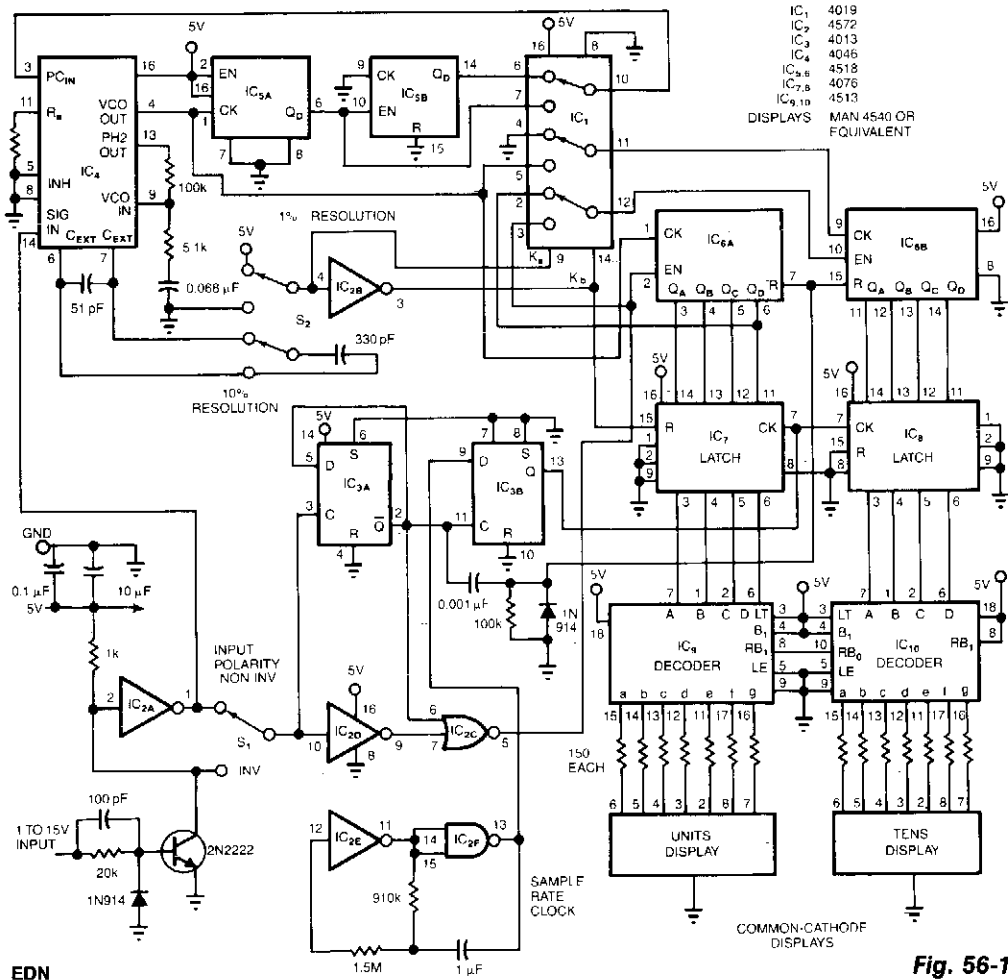
## Measuring and Test Circuits

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|--|-----------------------------------|
| Duty Cycle Monitor   | Motor Hour Meter                  |
| 3-in-1 Test Set  | Stud Finder                       |
| Stereo Power Meter   | Low-Power Magnetic Current Sensor |
| Wide-Range Rf Power Meter                                      | Line-Current Monitor              |
| LED Peak Meter   | S Meter                           |
| Lc Checker   | Hot-Wire Anemometer               |
| Tachometer and Direction-of-Rotation<br>Circuit                | Audible Logic Tester              |
| Very Short Pulse-Width Measurer                                | SCR Tester                        |
| QRP SWR Bridge   | Digital Frequency Meter           |
| Electrostatic Detector   | Low-Current Measurement System    |
| Current Monitor and Alarm                                      | Simple Continuity Tester          |
| Picoammeter Circuit  | Sound-Level Meter                 |
| Paper Sheet Discriminator for Printing<br>and Copying Machines | LED Panel Meter                   |
| Precision Frequency Counter/Tachometer                         | Optical Pick-Up Tachometer        |
|  | Peak-dB Meter                     |

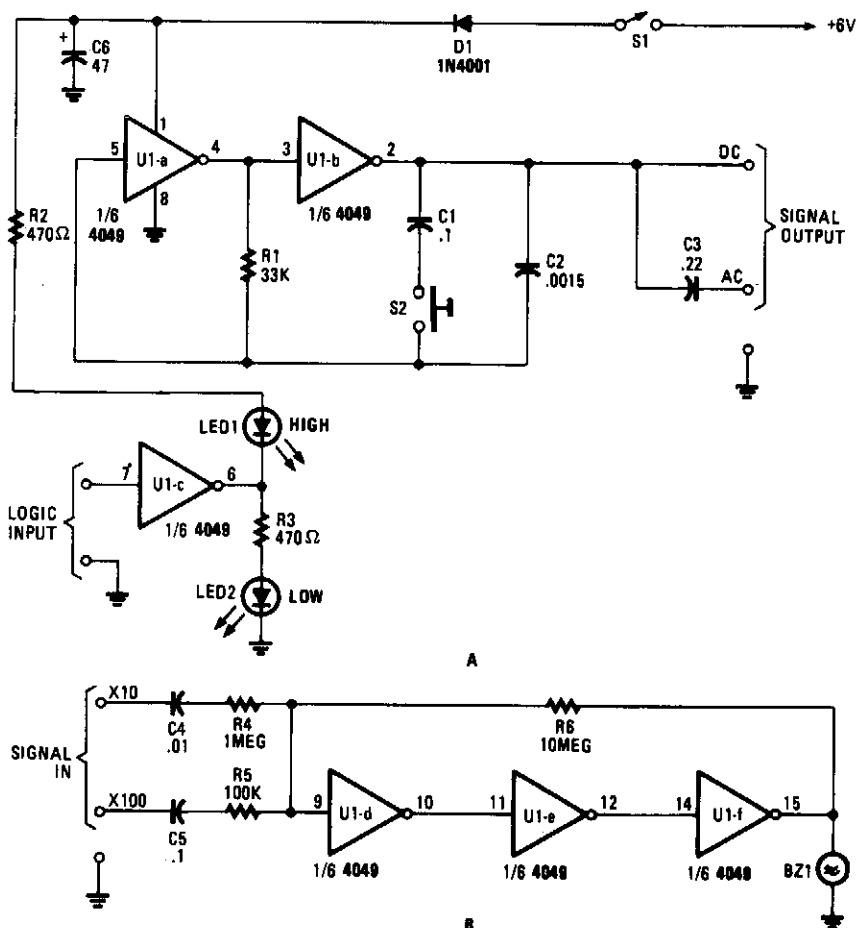
## DUTY CYCLE MONITOR



**Fig. 56-1**

The circuit monitors and displays a digital signal's duty cycle and provides accuracy as high as  $\pm 1\%$ . Using switch S2, you can choose a frequency range of either 250 Hz to 2.5 kHz at  $\pm 1\%$  accuracy or 2 kHz to 50 kHz at  $\pm 10\%$  accuracy. The common-cathode display gives the signal's duty-cycle percentage. Phase-locked loop IC4 and counters IC5A and IC5B multiply the input frequency by a factor of either 10 or 100, depending on switch S2's setting. IC6A and IC6B count this multiplied frequency during the incoming signal's mark interval. IC7 and IC8 then latch this count and display it at the clock's sample rate. For example, if you select a 1% resolution, when the signal's mark period is 40% of the total period, the circuit will enable the counter comprising IC6A and IC6B for 40 counts. To obtain space-interval sampling, you can reverse the input polarity using switch S1. IC2A samples the input signal's period and enables gate IC2C and resets the counter. IC2E and IC2F form the sample-rate clock; IC3B synchronizes the clock's output with the input, so that the circuit can update latches IC7 and IC8.

### 3-IN-1 TEST SET



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 56-2

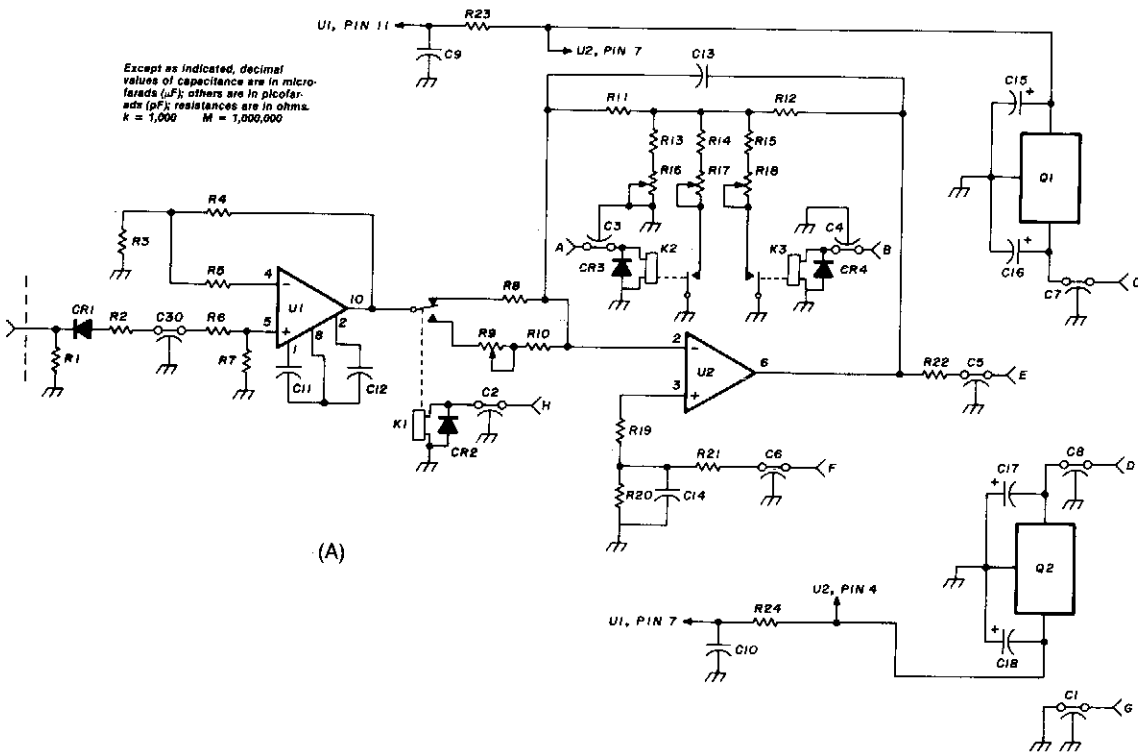
This circuit is designed around a 4049 hex inverter/buffer. Two inverters are used in a dual-frequency signal-injector circuit, another inverter is used as a logic probe, and the remaining three inverters are used as a sensitive dual-input, audio-signal tracer.

The signal-injector portion gates are configured as a two-frequency, pulse-generator circuit. Under normal conditions, the generator's output frequency is around 10 kHz, but when S2 is closed, the output frequency drops to about 100 Hz. The logic-probe portion is made up of U1c, the output of the inverter decreases. The low output of U1c reverse biases LED2, so it remains off. That low output also forward biases LED1, causing it to light. But when a logic low presented U1c's input, the situation is reversed, so LED2 lights and LED1 darkens.

The audio-signal tracer portion is made up of the three remaining inverters which are configured as a linear audio amplifier to increase the input signal level by a factor of 10 or 100. The amplified output signal feeds a miniature piezo element of audible detection.



# WIDE-RANGE RF POWER METER



(A)

table 1. RF power meter and power supply parts list

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| C1 thru C8   | 1000 pF feedthru (Erie, Cambion)                               |
| C9,10,15,18  | 1 $\mu\text{F}$ 10wvdc tantalum                                |
| C11-12       | 0.1 $\mu\text{F}$ metalized film                               |
| C13          | 500 pF disc  |
| C14          | 0.01 $\mu\text{F}$ disc ceramic                                |
| C16,17       | 2.2 $\mu\text{F}$ 25 wvdc tantalum                             |
| C19,21       | 100 $\mu\text{F}$ 15 wvdc electrolytic                         |
| C20          | 500 $\mu\text{F}$ 15 wvdc electrolytic                         |
| C22,23       | 0.01 $\mu\text{F}$ disc  |
| C30          | 100pF chip capacitor   |
| CR1          | H5CH-3486 Hewlett-Packard                                      |
| CR2,3,4,9,10 | 1N914 or equivalent  |
| CR5,6,7,8    | 1N4003 or equivalent   |
| K1           | SPDT reed Magnecraft W172-DIP5 (internal diode — CR2 not used) |
| K2,3,4,5     | SPST reed EAC EAC Z610-ND                                      |
| M1           | 1 mA DC meter with dB scale                                    |
| Q1,4         | 78L05 regulator  |
| Q2           | 78L12 regulator  |
| Q3           | 78L12 regulator  |
| R1,2         | 50 ohm 1/8 watt carbon film                                    |

All resistors 1% metal film 1/4 watt

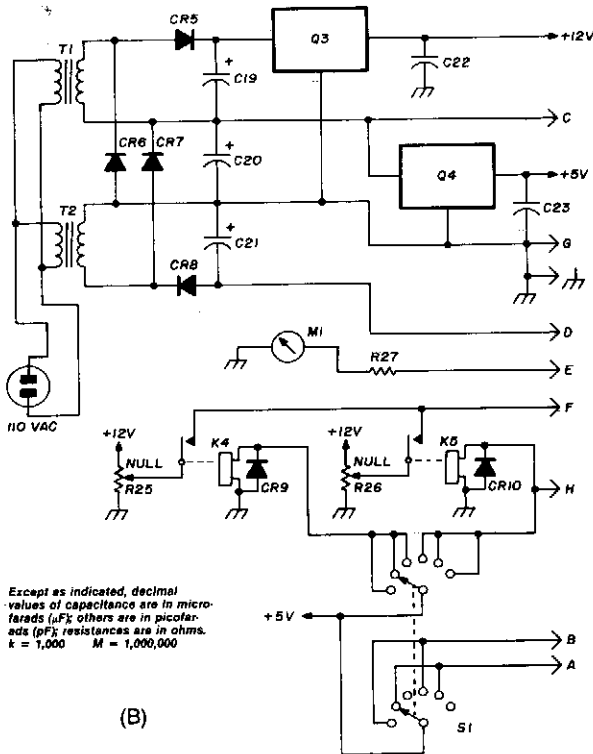
|            |         |
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| R3,6,14,22 | 1k      |
| R5,7       | 100k    |
| R10        | 120k    |
| R4         | 150k    |
| R8,19      | 4.99k   |
| R11,12     | .20k    |
| R13        | 2.74k   |
| R15        | 165 ohm |

All resistors 5% carbon film 1/4 watt

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| R20     | 100 ohm                         |
| R21     | 1 megohm                        |
| R23, 24 | 10 ohm                          |
| R27     | 1.5k                            |
| R9      | 50k Panasonic CEG54 trimpot     |
| R16     | 500 ohm Panasonic CEG52 trimpot |
| R17     | 200 ohm Panasonic CEG22 trimpot |
| R18     | 100 ohm Panasonic CEG12 trimpot |
| R25,26  | 10k potentiometer               |

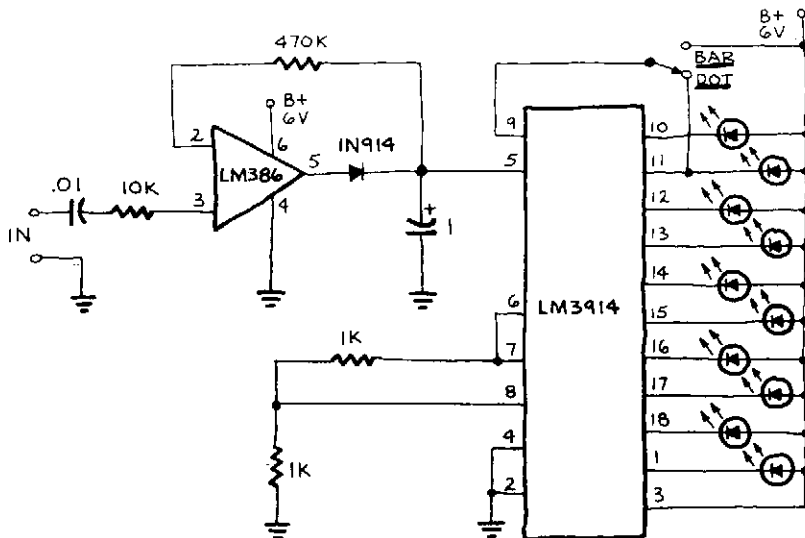
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| S1      | DP6T rotary switch               |
| T1,T2   | 6.3 VAC transformers             |
| U1      | ICL7650CPD Intersil              |
| U2      | LM11CLH National                 |
| Box     | CU-124 BUD                       |
| Chassis | 9 1/2 x 5 x 2 chassis BUD Ac-403 |

## WIDE-RANGE RF POWER METER (Cont.)



The Hewlett-Packard HSCH-3486 zero-bias Schottky diode is used as the detector. To avoid using a modulation method of detection, a chopper-stabilized op amp is used. The chopper op amp basically converts the input dc voltage to ac, amplifies it, and converts it back to dc. Amplifying the dc output from the detector 150 times with a chopper op amp puts the signal at a level that simpler op amps, such as the LM11, can handle. Offset voltages in the amplifier are nulled with two pots, one for the high range and one for the lower three ranges.

## LED PEAKMETER



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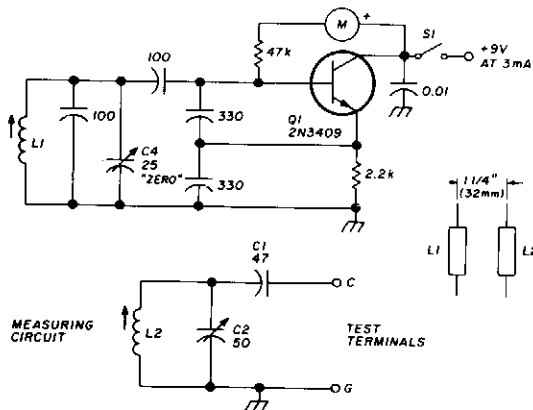
Fig. 56-5



## LED PEAKMETER (Cont.)

The circuit includes a peak detector that immediately drives the readout to any new higher signal level and slowly lowers it after the signal drops to zero. The readout is a moving dot or expanding bar display. The circuit can be expanded for a longer bar readout. Tapping five or more LED peakmeters into a frequency equalizer or series of audio filters should give a unique result. The bottom LED remains on with no signal at the input, thus providing a pilot light for the unit.

## LC CHECKER



L1- 30T. NO. 28E CLOSE-WOUND ON 3/8" (10mm) SLUG-TUNED FORM. APPROX. 7 $\mu$ H.  
L2- 50T. SAME AS L1. APPROX. 30 $\mu$ H.  
C1- 2N3904 OR SIMILAR.  
M- 0 TO 100 OR 0 TO 200 $\mu$ A.  
SI- SPST TOGGLE OR SLIDE SWITCH.

HAM RADIO

Fig. 56-6

The circuit is based on the *grid-dip* or *absorption effect*, which occurs when a parallel resonant circuit is coupled to an oscillator of the same frequency. Q1 operates in a conventional Colpitts oscillator circuit at a fixed frequency of approximately 4 MHz. A meter connected in series with the transistor's base-bias resistor serves as the dip or absorption indicator.

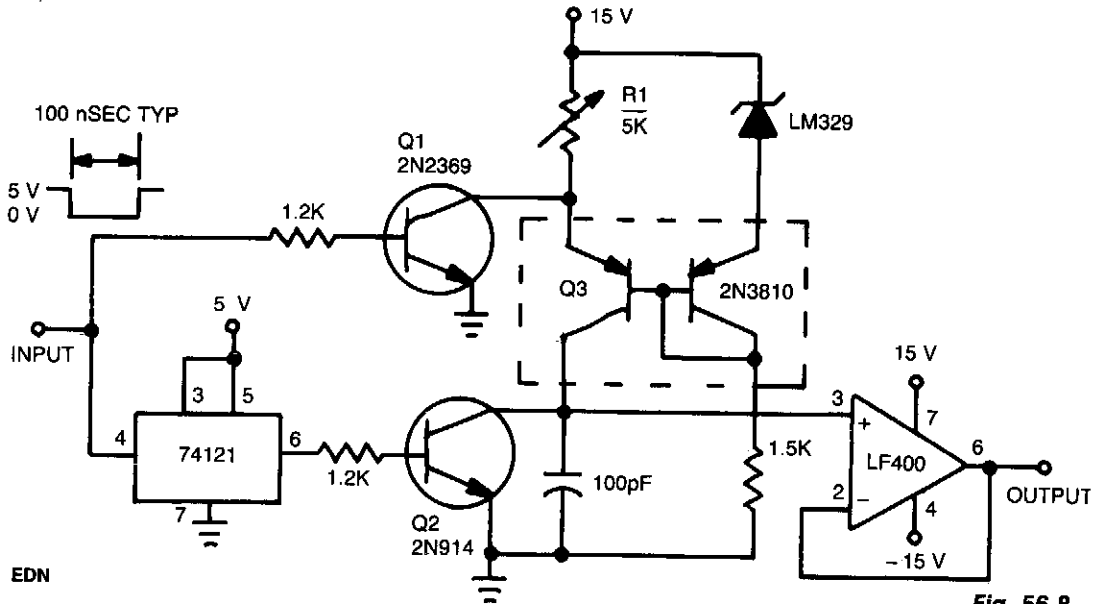
The variable measuring circuit consists of C1, C2, and L2 and is connected to panel terminals as shown. L2 is loosely coupled to L1 in the oscillator circuit. This measuring circuit is tuned to the oscillator frequency with variable capacitor C2 set at full capacitance. When power is applied to the oscillator, the meter shows a dip caused by power absorption from the measuring circuit.

Connecting an unknown capacitor across the test terminals lowers the resonant frequency of the measuring circuit. To restore resonance, tune capacitor C2 lower in capacitance. The meter will dip again when you reach this point. Determine the capacitance across the test terminals by calibrating the dial settings of C2.

Capacitor C4, a small variable trimmer in the oscillator circuit, compensates for drift or other variations and is normally set at half capacitance. The capacitor is a panel control, labeled zero, and it is used to set the oscillator exactly at the dip point when C2 is set at maximum capacitance. This corresponds to zero on the calibration scale.

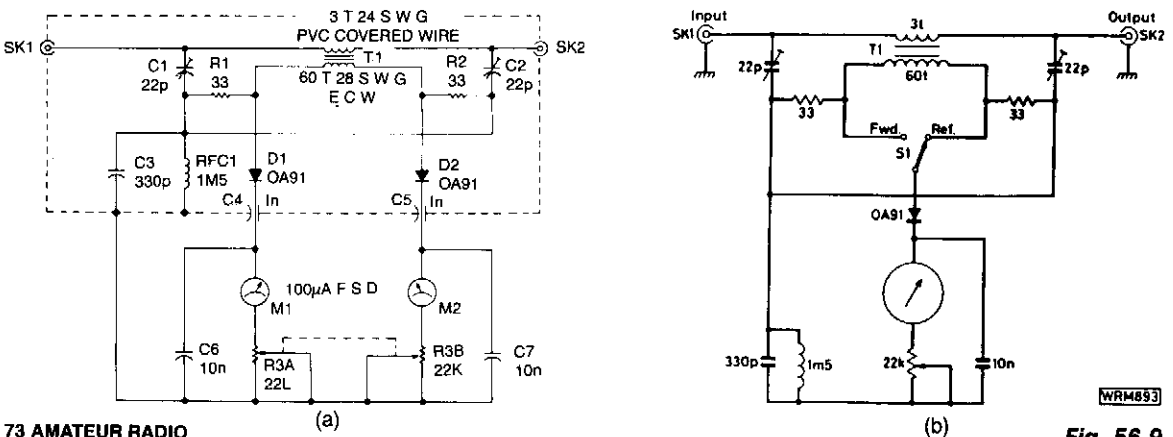


## VERY SHORT PULSE-WIDTH MEASURER



This circuit operates by charging a small capacitor from a constant-current source when the pulse to be measured is present. Dual pnp transistor Q3 is the current source; its output current equals the LM329 reference voltage divided by the resistance of potentiometer R1. When the input is high with no pulse present, Q1 keeps the current source turned off. When the pulse begins and the input decreases, Q1 turns off and the monostable multivibrator generates a short pulse. The pulse from the multivibrator turns on Q2, removing any residual charge from the 100-pF capacitor. Q2 then turns off, and the capacitor begins to charge linearly from the current source. When the input pulse ends, the current source turns off, and the voltage on the capacitor is proportional to the pulse width.

## QRP SWR BRIDGE



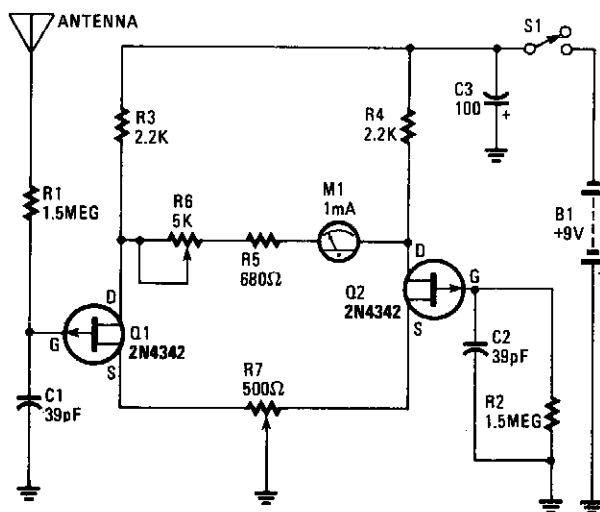
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**Fig. 56-9**

## QRP SWR BRIDGE (Cont.)

The design shown is a simple unit for QRP operation on all authorized frequencies up to 30 MHz, based on a toroidal transformer T1. The secondary winding of T1 samples a small amount of rf power, both forward and reflected, which is divided by the bridge circuit and rectified by diodes D1 and D2. Forward and reflected readings are obtained simultaneously on the two meters M1 and M2, and the bridge is matched and balanced at the required load impedance by C1 and C2. See Fig. 56-9b for an alternative, less expensive, single meter version. The bridge also measure forward power.

## ELECTROSTATIC DETECTOR



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Fig. 56-10

The heart of the electrostatic detector is the two junction FETs Q1 and Q2 connected in a balanced-bridge circuit. The gate input of Q1 is connected to the wire pick-up antenna, while Q2's gate is tied to the circuit's common ground through R2. That type of bridge circuit offers excellent temperature stability; therefore, Q1 is allowed to operate in an open-gate configuration. Potentiometer R7 is used to balance the bridge circuit, and R6 sets the maximum meter swing. Capacitors C1 and C2 help to reduce the 60-Hz pickup and add to the short-term stability of the circuit.



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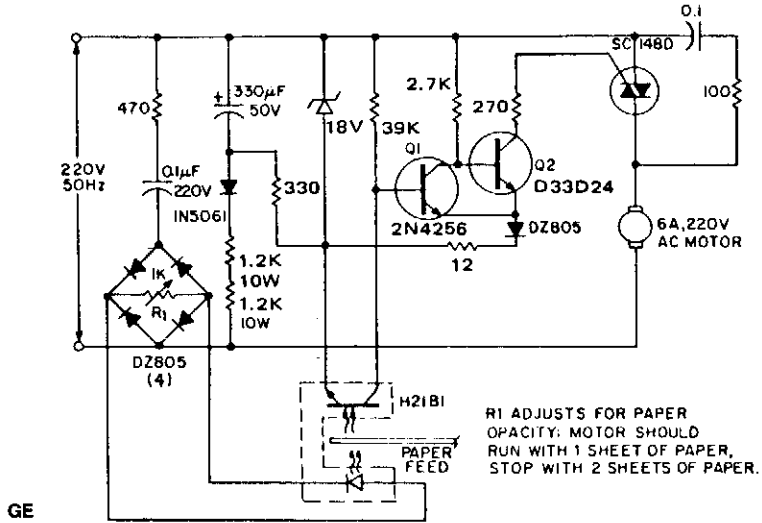
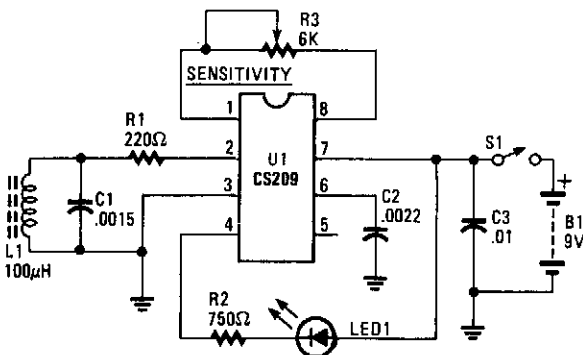


Fig. 56-13

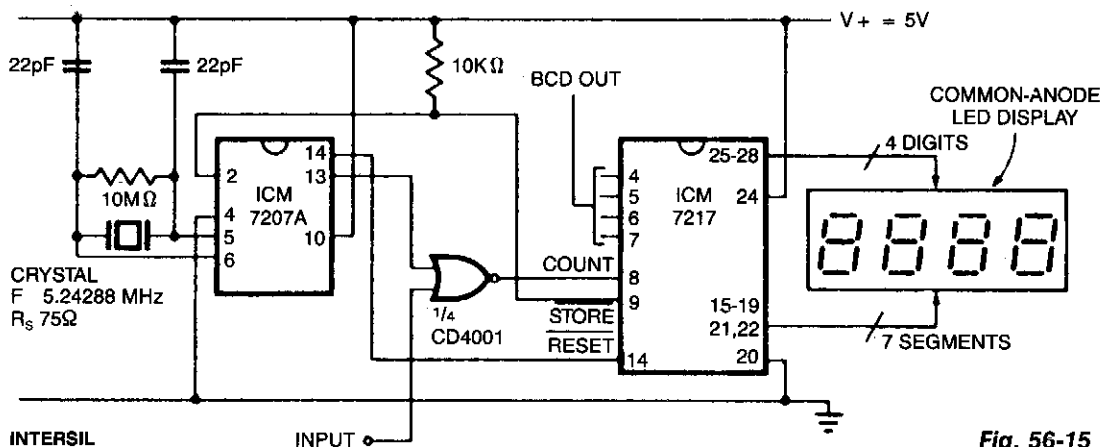
The circuit outputs power to the drive motor when one or no sheets are being fed, but interrupts motor power when two or more superimposed sheets pass through the optodetector slot. The optodetector can be either an H2aB darlington interruptor module or an H23B matched emitter-detector pair. The output from the optodarlington is coupled to a Schmitt trigger, comprising transistors Q1 and Q2 for noise immunity and minor paper opacity variation immunity. When the Schmitt is on, gate current is applied to the SC148D output device. The dc power supply for the detector and Schmitt is a simple rc diode half-wave configuration chosen for its low cost (fewer diodes and no transformers) and minimum bulk. While such a supply is directly coupled to the power triac, this is precluded by current drain considerations (50 mA dc for the gate drive alone). Note that direct coupling of the Schmitt to the output triacs is preferred, since RFI is virtually eliminated with the quasi-dc gate drive.

## STUD FINDER



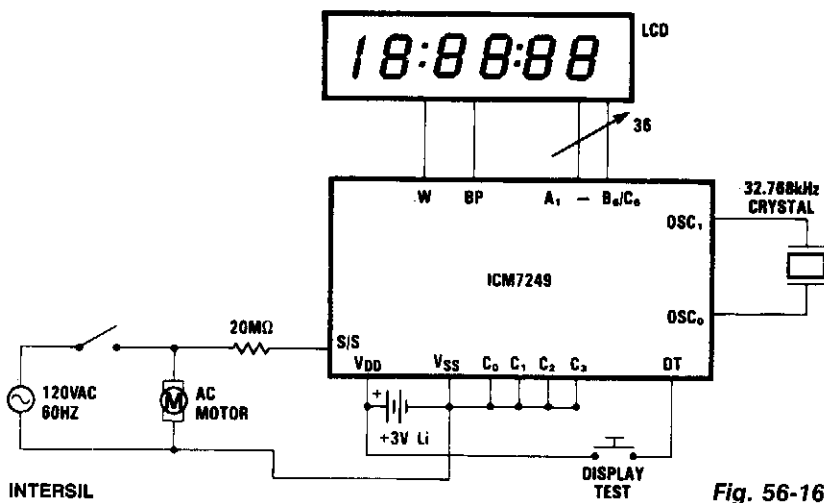
The CS209 is designed to detect the presence or proximity of magnetic metals. It has an internal oscillator that, along with its external lc resonant circuit, provides oscillations whose amplitude is dependent upon the  $Q$  of the lc network. Close proximity to magnetic material reduces the  $Q$  of the tuned circuit, thus the oscillations tend to decrease in amplitude. The decrease in amplitude is detected and used in turn on LED1, indicating the presence of a magnetic material (i.e., nail or screw).

## PRECISION FREQUENCY COUNTER/TACHOMETER



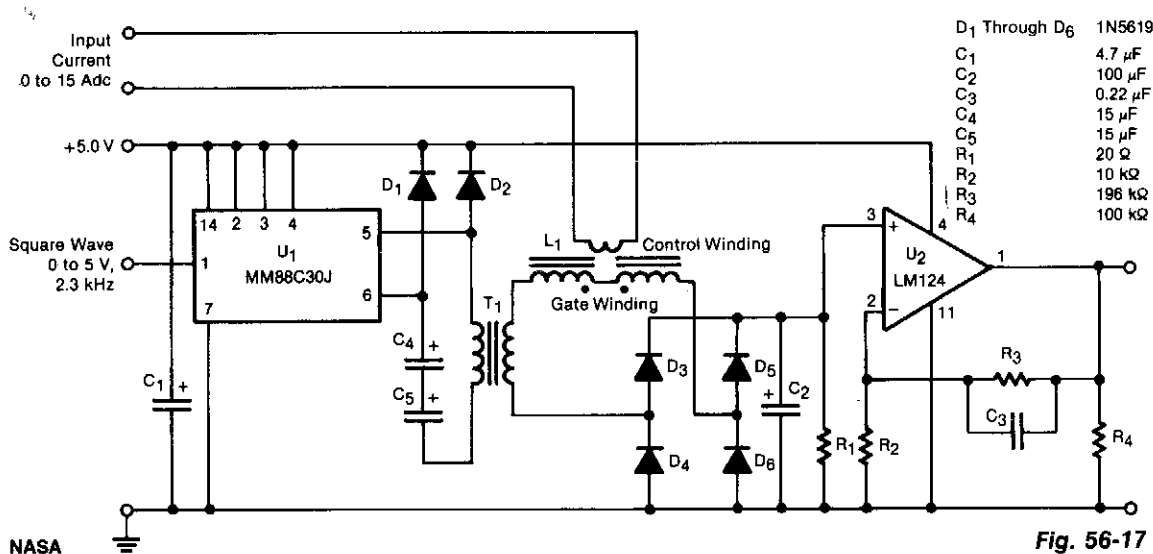
In this configuration, the display reads hertz directly. With pin 11 of the ICM7027A connected to  $V_{DD}$ , the gating time will be 0.1 second; this will display tens of hertz as the least significant digit. For shorter gating times, an ICM7207 can be used with a 6.5536-MHz crystal, giving a 0.01 second gating with pin 11 connected to  $V_{DD}$ , and a 0.1 second gating with pin 11 open.

## MOTOR HOUR METER



In this application, the ICM7249 is configured as an hours-in-use meter and shows how many whole hours of line voltage have been applied. The 20-M $\Omega$  resistor and high-pass filtering allow ac line activation of the S/S input. This configuration, which is powered by a 3-V lithium cell, will operate continuously for 2½ years. Without the display, which only needs to be connected when a reading is required, the span of operation is extended to 10 years.

## LOW-POWER MAGNETIC CURRENT SENSOR



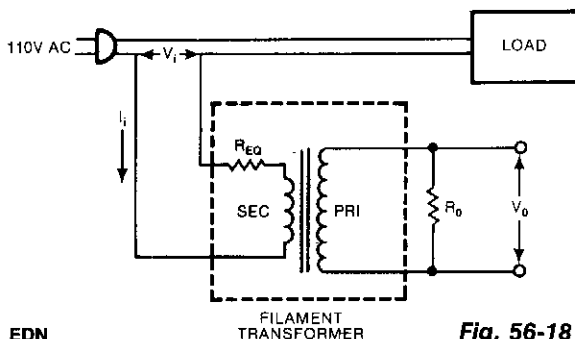
A transducer senses a direct current magnetically, providing isolation between the input and the output. The detecting-and-isolating element is a saturable reactor, in which the input current, to be measured, passes through a one-turn control coil. The transducer provides an output of 0 to 3 Vdc, an input current of 0 to 15 Adc, and consumes 22 mW at 10 Adc input.

Line driver U1 excites the saturable reactor L1 by feeding a 2.3-kHz square wave through transformer T1. The output of L1 is rectified by the bridge rectifier composed of diodes D3 through D6, then amplified by op amp U2, which has a gain of 20.

Diodes D1 and D2 commutate the reactive current fed back to the primary of T1 from L1. Without these diodes, large reactive voltage spikes on the primary would waste power and could destroy U1. Filter capacitor C1 stores the energy fed back through D1 and D2.

To minimize core losses, the core of T1 is made of an alloy of 80% nickel and 20% iron. To minimize capacitance, the primary and secondary windings are interleaved and progressively wound 350°. The primary and secondary windings consist of 408 and 660 turns, respectively, of #34 wire.

## LINE-CURRENT MONITOR



**Fig. 56-18**

A low-cost filament transformer provides a linear indication of the load current in an ac line. This method causes a slight series voltage drop over a wide range of load currents.



## S METER

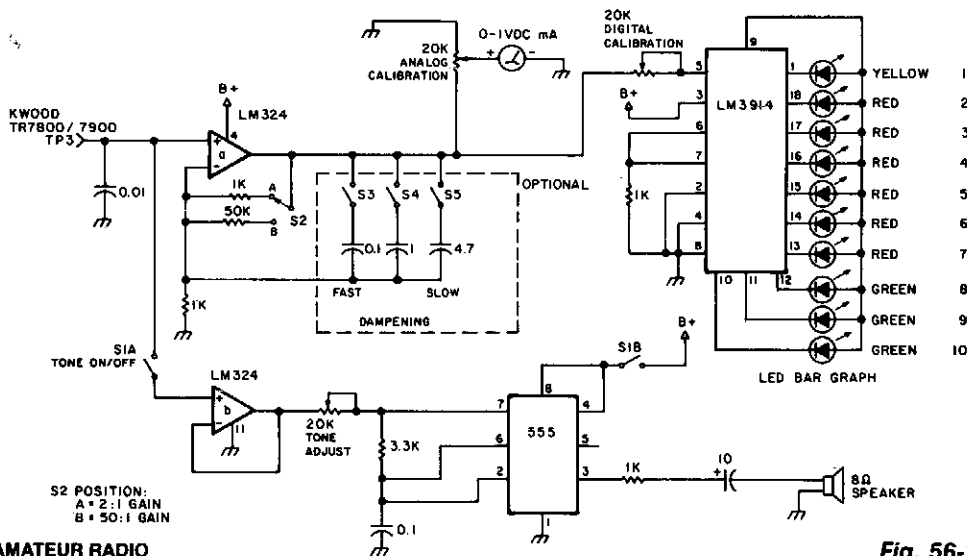


Fig. 56-19

This design is for an external signal strength meter that is analog, digital, and audible for mobile transmitter hunters. The S meter also incorporates a gain circuit. The digital LED bar graph display has a very fast response time. The 3.3-K $\Omega$  resistor near LM3914 can be replaced with a 5-K pot to control LED brightness. The S2A position gives a 2:1 gain and the S2B position gives about a 50:1 gain. The calibration pots control the amount of meter action relative to the gain. The optional dampening circuit is used for the averaging of a transmitted signal that has modulated power or when a dip on the voice peaks occur. The capacitors can be switched one by one or switched into a very slow response using 5.8  $\mu$ F total capacitance.

## HOT-WIRE ANEMOMETER

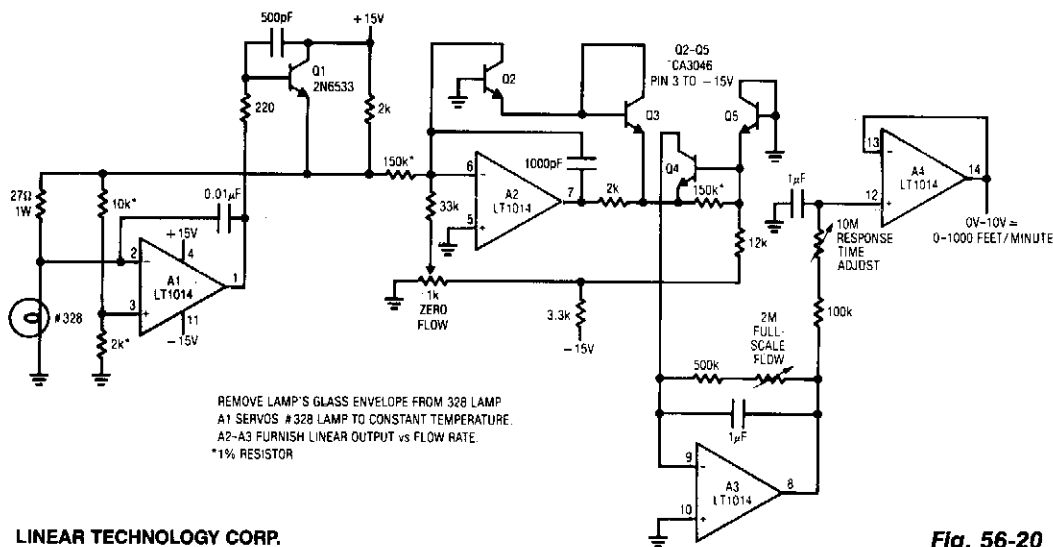


Fig. 56-20

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## AUDIBLE LOGIC TESTER

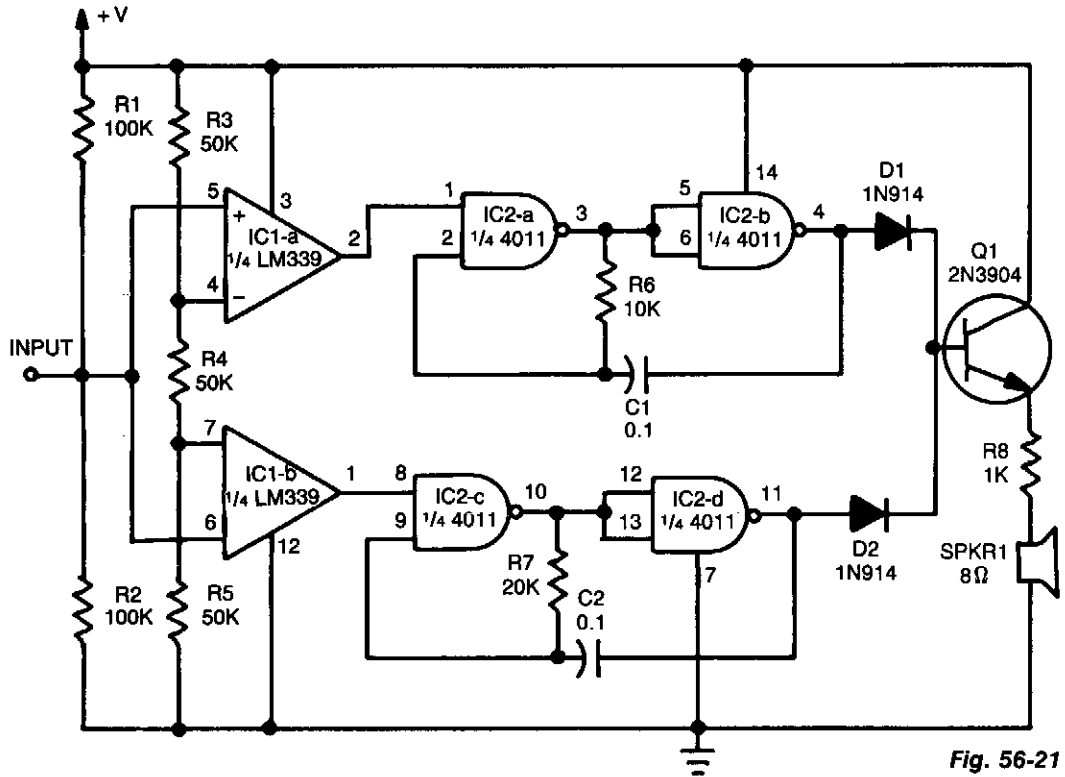


Fig. 56-21

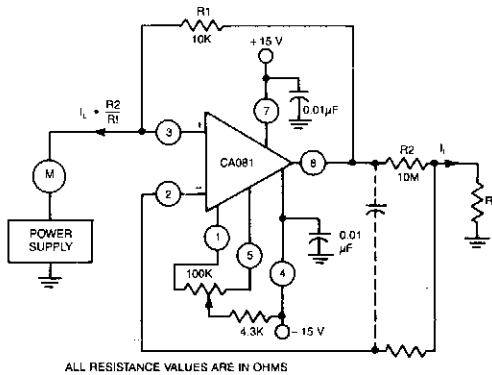
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This tester provides an audible indication of the logic level of the signal presented to its input. A logic high is indicated by a high tone, a logic low is indicated by a low tone, and oscillation is indicated by an alternating tone. The input is high impedance, so it will not load down the circuit under test. The tester can be used to troubleshoot TTL or CMOS logic. The input consists of two sections of an LM339 quad comparator. IC1a increases when the input voltage exceeds 67% of the supply voltage. The other comparator increases when the input drops below 33% of the supply.

The tone generators consist of two gated astable multivibrators. The generator built around IC2a and IC2b produces the high tone. The one built around IC2c and IC2d produces the low tone. Two diodes, D1 and D2, isolate the tone-generator outputs. Transistor Q1 is used to drive a low-impedance speaker.



## LOW-CURRENT MEASUREMENT SYSTEM

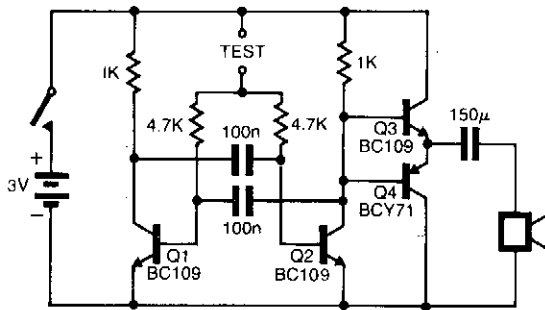


GE/RCA

Fig. 56-24

This circuit uses a CA018 BiMOS op amp. Low current, supplied at input potential as power supply to load resistor  $R_L$ , is increased by  $R_2/R_1$ , when load current  $I_L$  is monitored by power supply meter M. Thus, if  $I_L$  is 100 nA, with values shown,  $I_L$  presented to supply will be 100  $\mu$ A.

## SIMPLE CONTINUITY TESTER



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Fig. 56-25

The pitch of the tone is dependent upon the resistance under test. The tester will respond to resistances of hundreds of kilohms, yet it is possible to distinguish differences of just tens of ohms in low-resistance circuits. Q1 and Q2 form a multivibrator, the frequency of which is influenced by the resistance between the test points. The output stage, Q3 and Q4, will drive a small loudspeaker or a telephone earpiece. The unit is powered by a 3-V battery, and draws very little current when not in use.

## SOUND-LEVEL METER

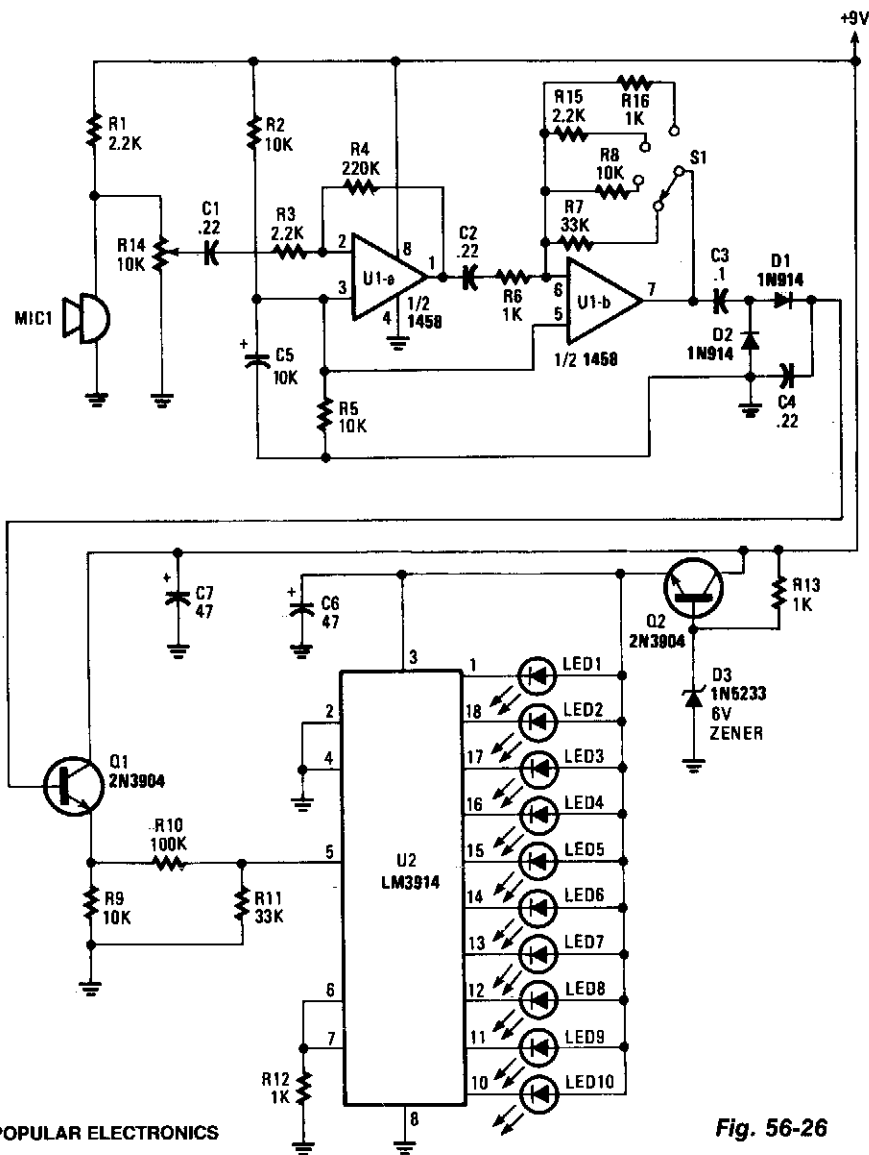


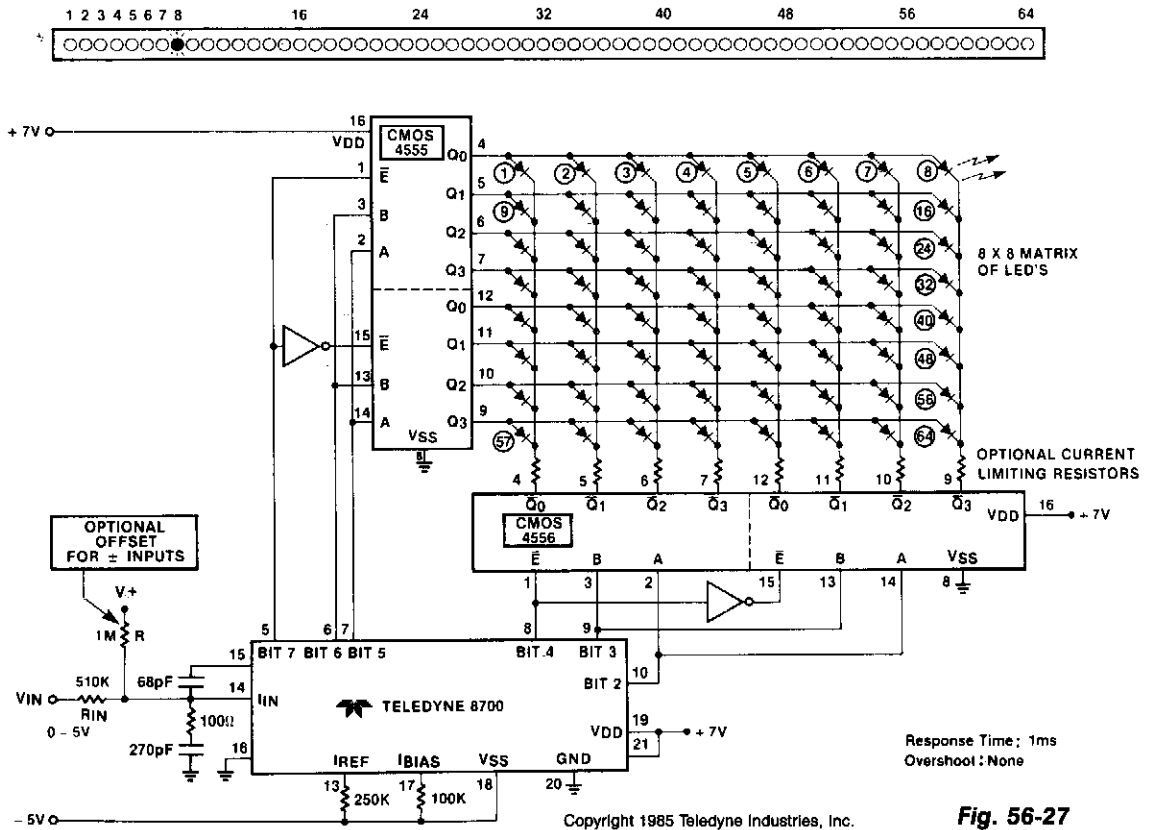
Fig. 56-26

Sounds are picked up by MIC1 and fed to the input of the first op amp. The signal is then fed to the input of second op amp U1b, where it is boosted again by a factor of between 1 and 33, depending upon the setting of range switch S1.

With the range switch set in the A position, R6 is 1 K $\Omega$  and R7 is 33 K $\Omega$ , so that stage has a gain of 33. In the B position, the gain is 10  $\Omega$ ; in the C position, the gain is 22  $\Omega$ ; and in the D position the gain is 1  $\Omega$ .

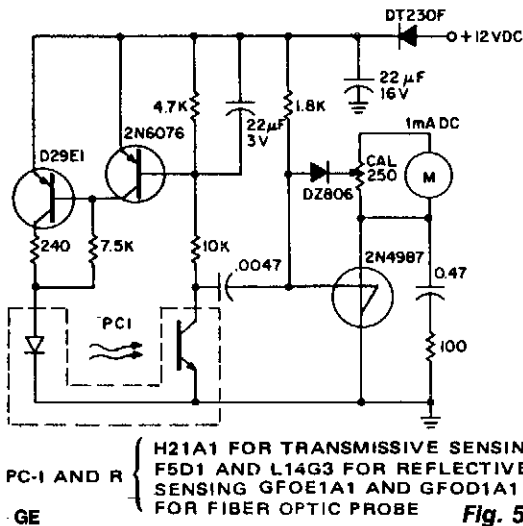
As the signal voltage fed to the input of U2 at pin 5 varies, one of ten LEDs will light to correspond with the input-voltage level. At the input's lowest operating level, U2 produces an output at pin 1, causing LED1 to light. The highest input level presented to the input of U2, about 1.2 V, causes LED10 to turn on.

## LED PANEL METER



**Fig. 56-27**

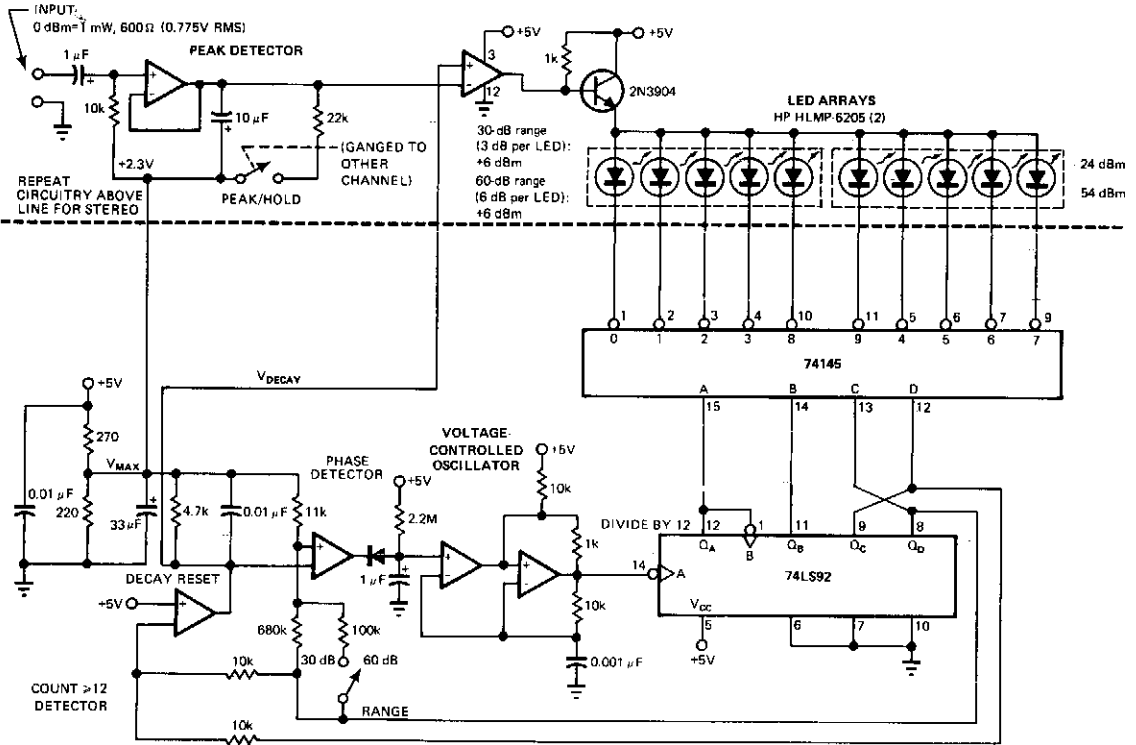
## OPTICAL PICK-UP TACHOMETER



**Fig. 56-28**

Remote, noncontact, measurement of the speed of rotating objects is the purpose of this simple circuit. Linearity and accuracy are extremely high and normally limited by the milliammeter used and the initial calibration. This circuit is configured to count the leading edge of light pulses and to ignore normal ambient light levels. It is designed for portable operation since the tachometer is not sensitive to supply voltage within the supply voltage tolerance. Full scale at the maximum sensitivity of the calibration resistance is read at about 300 light pulses per second. A digital voltmeter can be used, on the 100-mV full-scale range, in place of the milliammeter. Shunt its input with a 100-Ω resistor in parallel with a 100-μF capacitor. This rc network replaces the filtering supplied by the analog meter.

## PEAK-dB METER



EDN

**Fig. 56-29**

This circuit compares a rectified input,  $V_{IN}$ , with a voltage that decays exponentially across a 4.7-KΩ resistor and a 0.01-μF capacitor. Comparing the exponentially decaying voltage with the rectified input provides a peak-level indication that requires no adjustment. A phase-locked loop controls the scan rate so that each LED represents 6 dB in the 30 dB range.

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## Medical Electronics Circuits

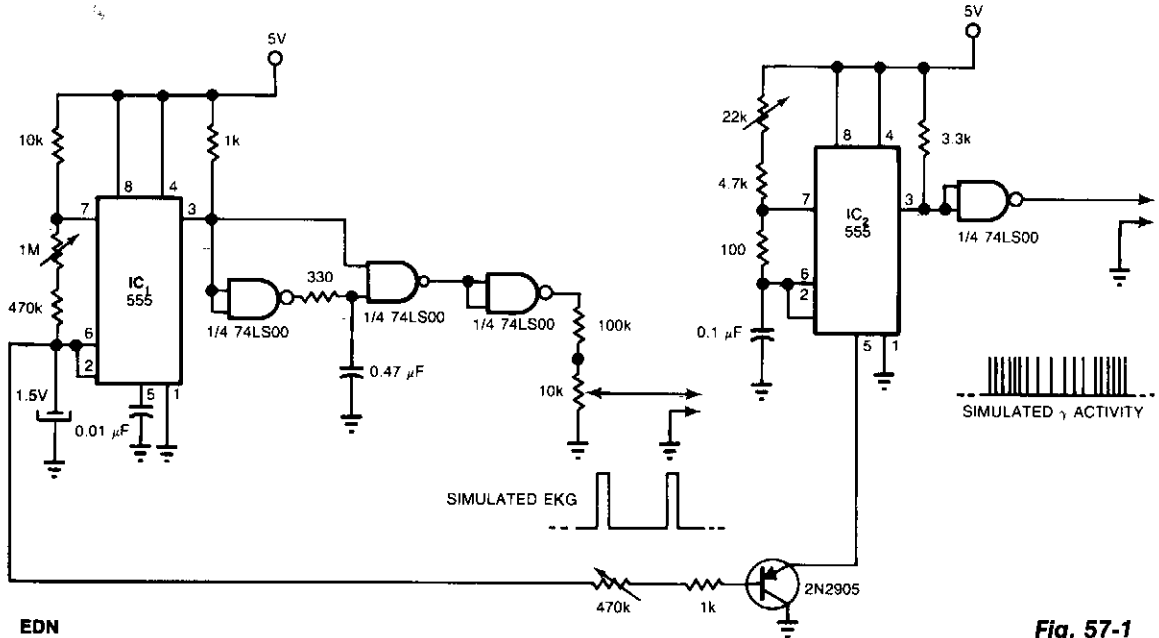
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Three-Chip EKG Simulator  
Breath Monitor  
Stimulus Isolator  
Constant-Current Stimulator



## THREE-CHIP EKG SIMULATOR

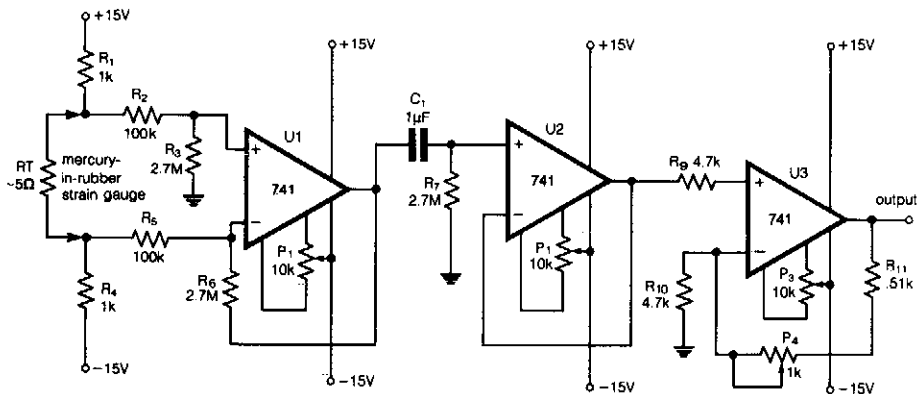


EDN

Fig. 57-1

Two 555s and a quad NAND-gate IC can simulate an electrocardiograph signal and a  $\gamma$ -wave radioisotope signal for applications in nuclear medicine. This circuit synchronizes the radioisotope signal to the EKG signal. You can use the circuit's outputs to test, for example, microprocessor-based software that calculates the left ventricular ejection fraction before you use the software in clinical applications. IC1, a 555 timer, provides a positive-going pulse train that simulates an EKG signal. A 10-K $\Omega$  potentiometer provides frequency adjustment. The other 555 timer, configured as a pulse-position modulator, provides the simulated  $\gamma$ -wave activity.

## BREATH MONITOR



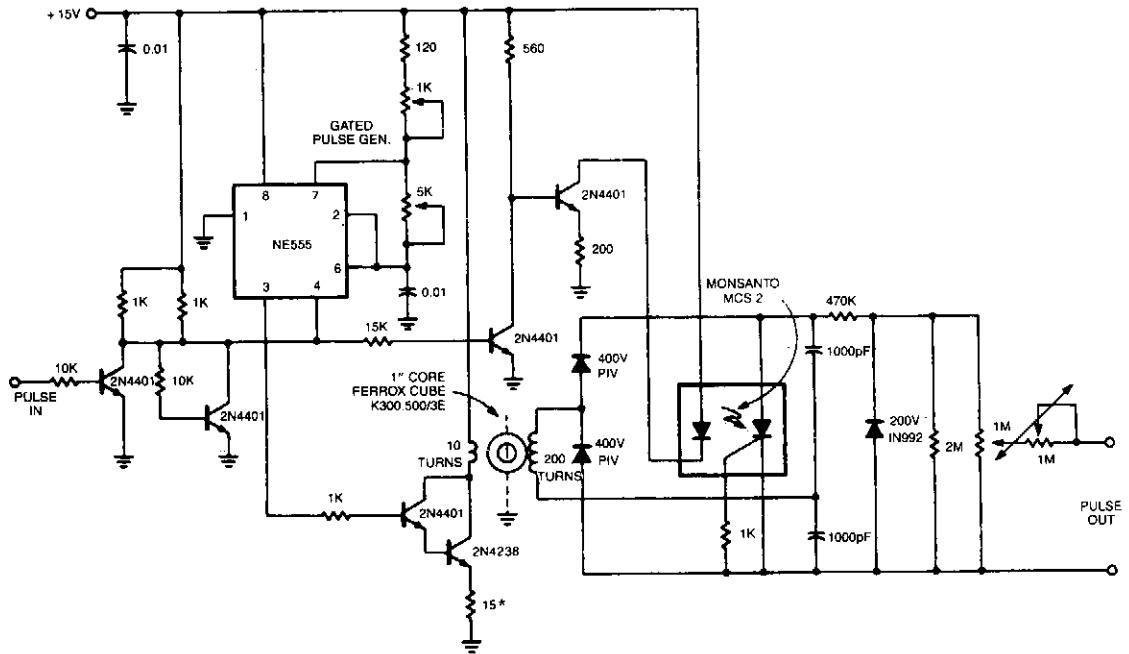
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Fig. 57-2

## BREATH MONITOR (Cont.)

The mercury-in-rubber strain gauge is the detector of breathing. In the model device, the strain gauge produced by Medimatic, Demark was used. The change in the length of the strain gauge wrapped around the chest during breathing causes a varying electrical resistance of about  $0.2 \Omega/\text{cm}$ . The constant current passing  $R_1$ ,  $R_7$  and  $R_4$  gives the constant component on the output of  $U_1$  differential amplifier. The change in the resistance of the strain gauge, which results from breathing, produces proportional varying in output voltage of  $U_1$  amplifier. The voltage follower, based on  $U_2$ , separates the output voltage of the filter from the input stage amplifier.  $U_3$  works as a noninverter amplifier with regulated gain. This device should be supplied with a stabilized constant voltage of  $\pm 15 \text{ V}$ .

## STIMULUS ISOLATOR



### NOTES:

All resistor values in ohms

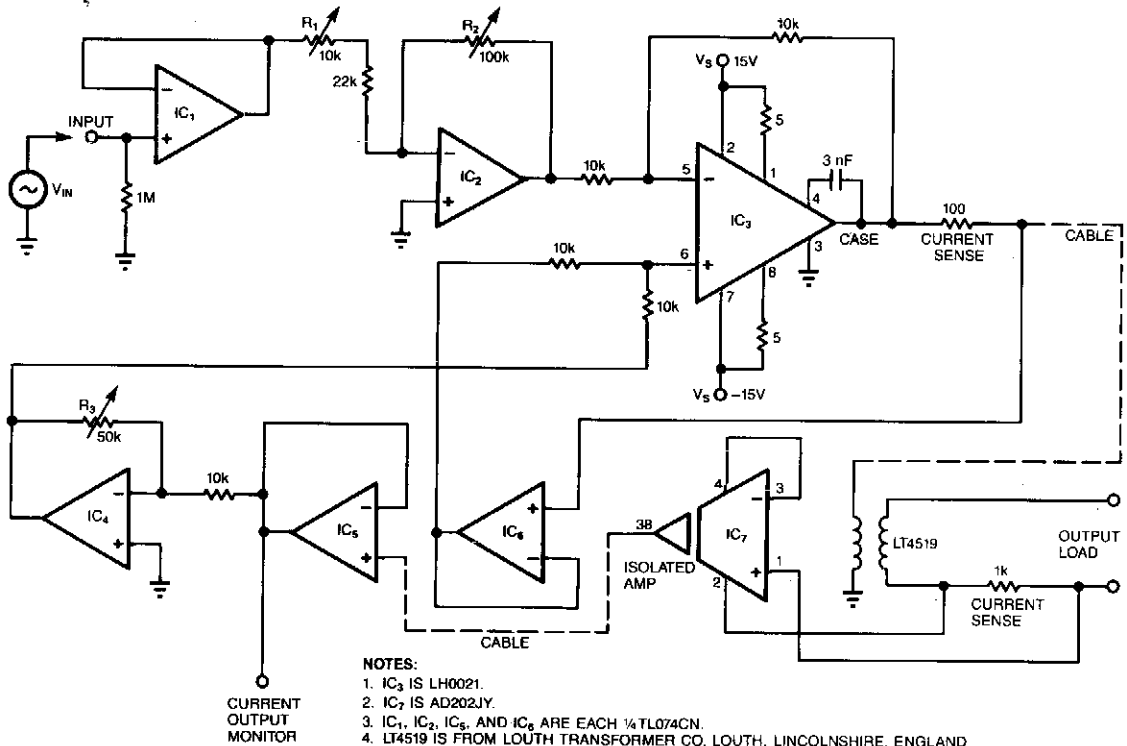
\*Power rating depends on duty cycle from 1/2w for 20-25% duty cycle to 15-20W for 75-90% duty cycle

SIGNETICS

Fig. 57-3

This stimulus isolator uses a photo-SCR and a toroid for shaping pulses of up to 200 V at 200  $\mu\text{A}$ .

## CONSTANT-CURRENT STIMULATOR



EDN

**Fig. 57-4**

Most circuits that provide an electrical stimulus for research subjects are constant-voltage designs; this circuit is a constant-current design. Stimulator circuits must be isolated for two reasons: to ensure safety and to minimize interference. Isolated stimulators are essentially two-terminal devices; output currents can flow only between the two output terminals and can at no time flow through any other path, such as the power ground.

The circuit's bandwidth ranges from 50 Hz to 5 kHz when a  $\pm 1$  V sinusoidal input drives the circuit. Output loads can range from a short circuit to 100 K $\Omega$  and have as much as 0.033  $\mu$ F of parallel capacitance. The transformer and associated circuitry conveniently connect to the main circuit via a cable. Note: This circuit is not approved for use on human beings.

Op amps, IC1 and IC2, buffer and set the gain of the circuit, respectively. You adjust trimmer R1 so that R2, a 10-turn pot, yields output currents ranging from 0 to 1 mA/ $V_{IN}$ . IC3 is a power op amp. Its output drives the primary of a transformer that has a current gain of 0.1, or a voltage gain of 10. Operating from a +15 V supply, the transformer therefore has a voltage compliance of  $\pm 150$  V.

The circuit senses not only the current supplied to the transformer but also the current in the transformer's secondary. IC7, a fully isolated, medical-grade amplifier, provides the isolated feedback signal because the op amp has its own built-in isolation transformer. Trimmer R3 sets the feedback gain precisely at 27 K $\Omega$  nominal.

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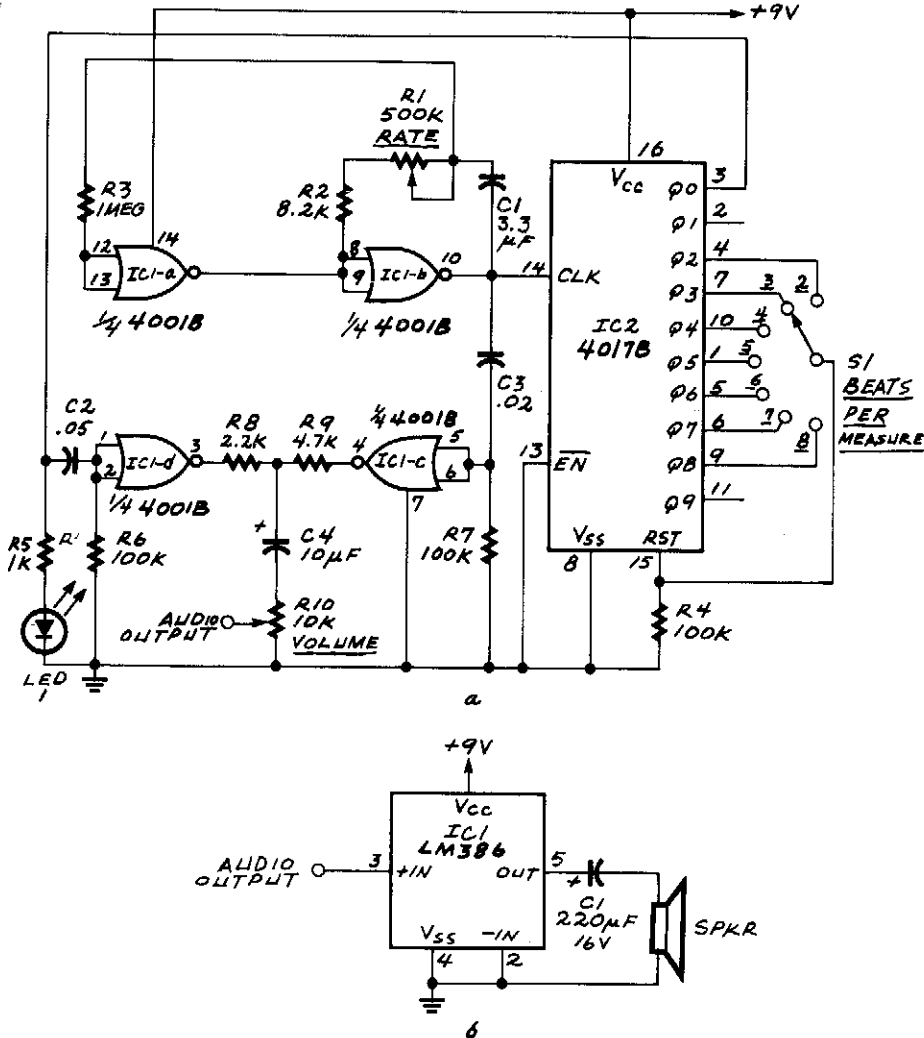
## **Metronome**

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Downbeat-Emphasized Electronic Metronome

## DOWNBEAT-EMPHASIZED ELECTRONIC METRONOME



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**Fig. 58-1**

IC1a and IC1b form an astable multivibrator. The astable's signal is fed to IC1c, also to the clock input of IC2, a 4017B decade counter. That IC's Q0 through Q9 outputs become high one at a time for each successive clock pulse received at pin 14. Switch S1 feeds one of those outputs to the 4017B's reset input. Whenever the selected output becomes high, the 4017B restarts its counting cycle; that determines the number of beats per measure. The network composed of C2 and R6 sharpens the downbeat pulse, and the network composed of C3 and R7 sharpens the free-running pulses. By making C2 larger than C3, the downbeat receives greater emphasis.

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## Miscellaneous Treasures

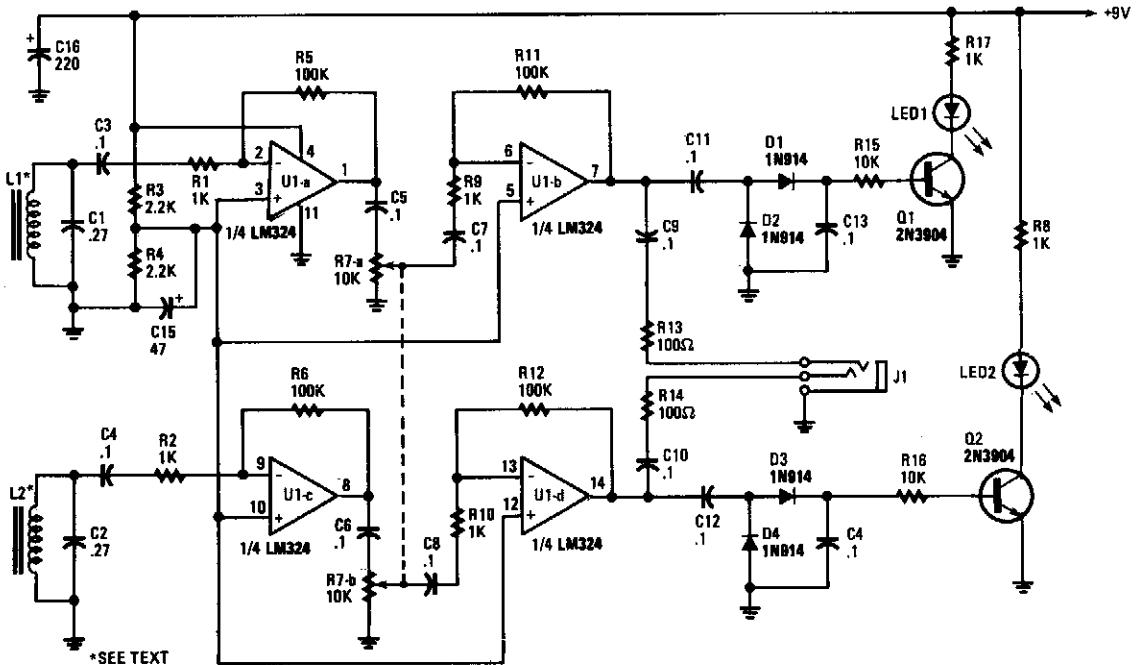
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|  |                           |
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| Closed-Loop Tracer                         | Simple Low-Cost Rf Switch |
| Pulse Amplitude Discriminator              | Burst Power Control       |
| Tracer Receiver                            | Flame Ignitor             |
| Central Image Cancellor                    | Bar Code Scanner          |
| Bug Tracer                                 | 50-MHz Trigger            |
| Breath Alert Alcohol Tester                | Air-Motion Detector       |
| Automatic Electronic Music                 | Bug Detector              |
| Positive Input/Negative Output Charge Pump | Door Opener               |
| Acid Rain Monitor                          |                           |



## TRACER RECEIVER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-3

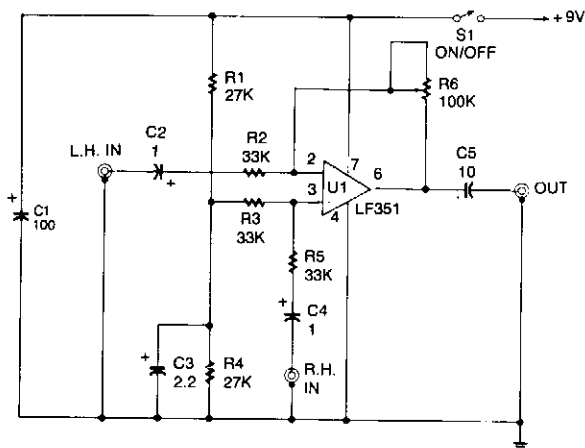
The tracer receiver is a stereo audio amplifier/detector circuit operating near 1 kHz. Inductors L1 and L2—hand-wound coils, consisting of 200 turns of #26 wire on 2-inch ferrite cores—are tuned to the operating frequency of the amplifier/detector. The received signal strength of each individual receiver is indicated by an LED. The audio output of the receiver is fed to a stereo headphone. That dual-receiver scheme helps in locating and tracking the hidden wire or cable by giving a directional output that indicates the cable's path.

The 1-kHz signal is picked up by L1 and coupled to the input of op amp U1a, which provides a gain of about 100 dB. The output of op amp U1a is fed through volume-control potentiometer R7 to the input of U1b, which magnifies the already amplified signal 100 times more. That puts the maximum gain of the receiver at about 10,000 dB. The output of U1b follows two paths: in the first path, the signal is coupled through C9 and R13 to J1, and is used to drive one half of a stereo headphone.

In the other path, the signal is fed through a voltage doubling/detector circuit—consisting of D1, D2, C11, and C13—that converts the amplified 1-kHz signal to the dc voltage that's used to drive Q1. When Q1 is turned on, LED1 lights, indicating a received signal.



## CENTRAL IMAGE CANCELLER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

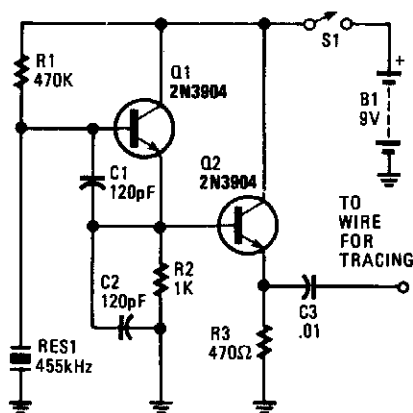
Fig. 59-4

The circuit allows you to eliminate the vocal portion of an audio signal, while leaving the instrumental portion. The circuit mixes two channels that must be 180° out of phase, so the signals that form the center-stereo image is canceled out. Those signals usually appear in phase. Resistor R3 biases the noninverting input of U1 from a center tap formed by resistors R1 and R4, and capacitor C3. Resistor R4, capacitor C3, and potentiometer R6 form a negative-feedback circuit that establishes the closed-loop voltage gain of U1 at unity. The signal is inverted between the input and output.

Signals applied to the right input are coupled to the noninverting input of U1 through C4 and attenuating resistor R5. Resistors R3 and R5 make up a 6 dB attenuator, so once again, there is unity voltage gain between the input and the output. However, the right input signal is not inverted.

Therefore, a signal appearing at both inputs is phased out by the circuit and will not appear at the output. Even if the two input signals are at slightly different levels because of different source impedances, you can still adjust for full cancellation by carefully tweaking R6.

## BUG TRACER



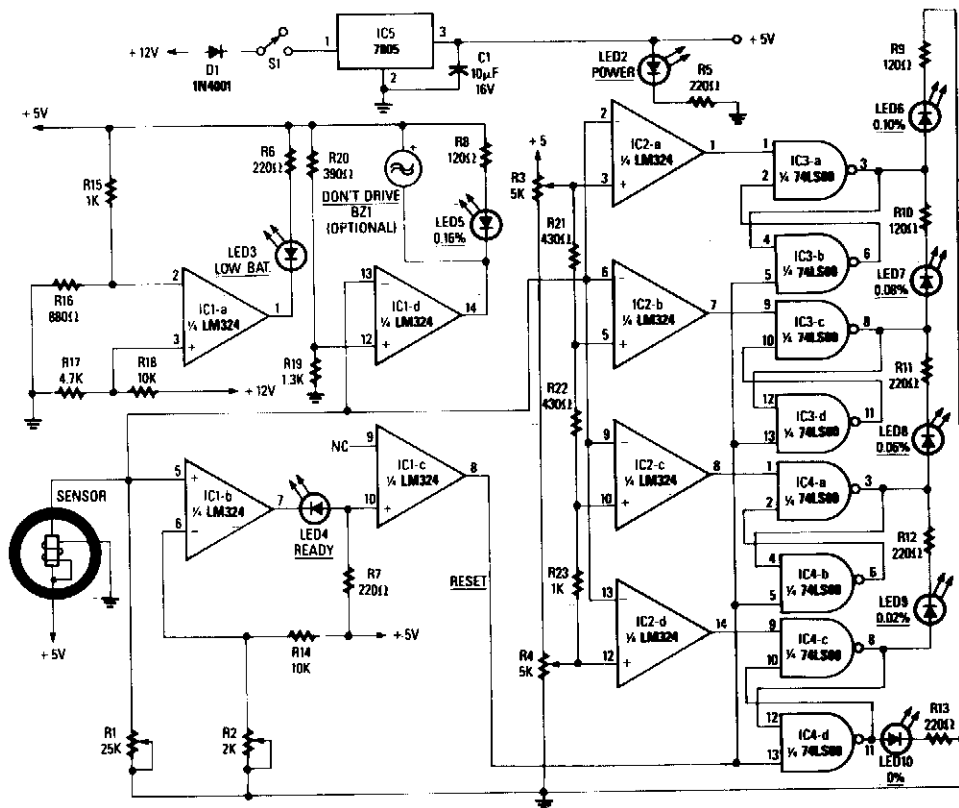
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Fig. 59-5

The bug tracer is made up of a simple rf-injector circuit consisting of Q1 and Q2, and a pocket-size, AM broadcast receiver. The two-transistor rf-injector circuit supplies a constant rf signal to one end of a cable. Then the AM receiver is used as a detector, allowing you to trace the wire to its source.

Transistor Q1, along with piezoelectric ceramic resonator RES1, make up a simple rf oscillator that operates either at or near the AM-radio, 455-kHz, i-f frequency. That means that the second or third harmonic signal can easily be picked up by the receiver. Transistor Q2 is connected to an emitter-follower circuit to protect the oscillator from output loading; that helps to stabilize the output frequency and signal level.

## BREATH ALERT ALCOHOL TESTER



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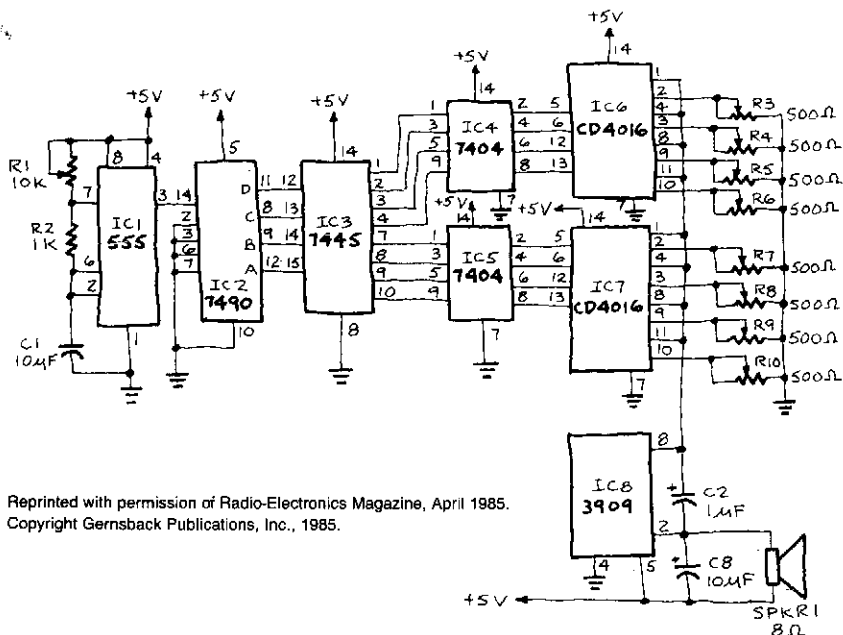
Fig. 59-6

When power is applied to the circuit, the heater coil in the sensor is energized by the 5-V output of IC5, a 7805 voltage regulator. Breathing into the sensor with alcohol on your breath will lower the sensor's resistance; consequently, the input voltage to the detector circuit, will change. The detector circuit consists of quad op amp, IC2 and its associated circuitry. All sections of the detector circuit are calibrated via R3 and R4, and the inputs to each section are controlled by the voltage-divider network R21 through R23. As each section is triggered, the outputs decrease, and sample-and-hold circuits, IC3 and IC4, will latch onto the highest input value and drive the appropriate LED. The different colored LEDs represent alcohol levels from 0 to 0.16%.

If the level of alcohol is above the legal limit, or 0.16%, part of another quad op amp, IC1d, will turn on both the optional buzzer and LED5. That is an indication of a high level of alcohol present in your blood, and you definitely should not drive.

After a test is taken, the sensor takes a few seconds to ready itself for another test. When the sensor is ready, its input to IC1b, adjusted via R2 to a threshold of 0.5 V, causes LED4 (ready) to light. That, in turn, causes IC1c to reset the rest of the circuitry. The last section of IC1 is biased via R15 and R16, and used to indicate a low-battery condition—when the battery voltage drops below 6.8 V—which could result in an inaccurate breath test.

## ELECTRONIC MUSIC

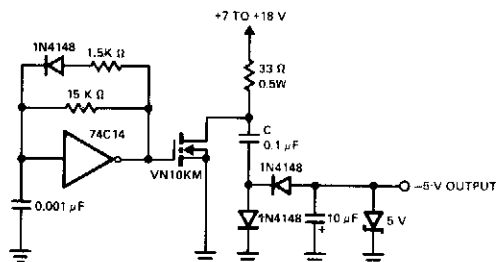


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**Fig. 59-7**

IC1, a 555 timer, is set up as an astable multivibrator to produce the signal that triggers IC2, a 7490 decade counter. That IC, in turn, produces a BCD output that is fed to IC3, a 7445 BCD-to-decimal decoder/driver. IC3's output is inverted by two hex inverters, IC4 and IC5. The outputs of IC4 and IC5 are inputted to control pins on IC6 and IC7, CD4016 CMOS quad bilateral switches. As those switches open and close, different resistances (as set by potentiometers R3 through R10) are inserted into the sound-generating circuit made from IC8. The frequency at the outputs of IC6 and IC7 are adjusted to various rates, using potentiometers R3 through R10, to produce the desired tones. Capacitors can be placed in series with the potentiometers to produce a sloping sound instead of a straight tone. The negative-going output signals of IC6 and IC7 are fed through a common bus to pin 8 of IC8.

## POSITIVE INPUT/NEGATIVE OUTPUT CHARGE PUMP

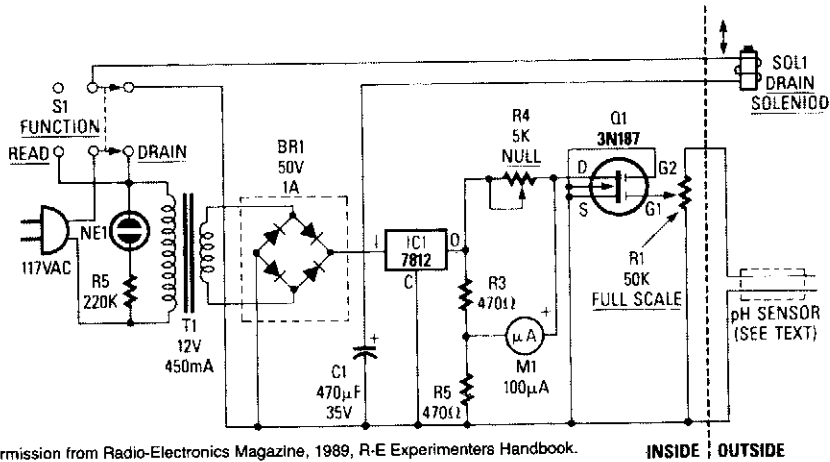


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**Fig. 59-8**

A charge pump is a simple means of generating a low-power voltage supply of opposite polarity from the main supply. The 74C14 IC is a self-oscillating driver for the MOSFET power switch. It produces a pulse width of  $6.5 \mu\text{s}$  at a repetition frequency of 100 kHz. When the MOSFET device is off, capacitor C is charged to the positive supply. When the power through the MOSFET switches on, C delivers a negative voltage through the series diode to the output. The zener serves as a dissipative regulator. Because the MOSFET switches fast, operation at high frequencies allows the capacitors in the system to be small.

## ACID RAIN MONITOR



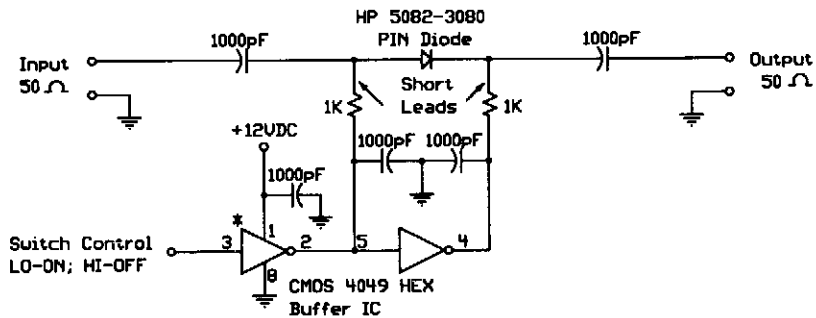
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**Fig. 59-9**

A simple bridge rectifier and a 12-V regulator powers the MOSFET sensing circuit. The unregulated output of the bridge rectifier operates the drain solenoid via switch S1. The sensor itself is built from two electrodes: one made of copper, the other of lead. In combination with the liquid trapped by the sensor, the electrodes form a miniature lead/acid cell whose output is amplified by MOSFET Q1. The maximum output produced by our prototype cell was about 50  $\mu$ A.

MOSFET Q1 serves as the fourth leg of a Wheatstone bridge. When sensed acidity causes the sensor to generate a voltage, Q1 turns on slightly, so its drain-to-source resistance decreases. That resistance variation causes an imbalance in the bridge, and that imbalance is indicated by meter M1.

## SIMPLE LOW-COST RF SWITCH



T. Harris, RF Design, July 1989, p. 53.

\* This gate is needed only if  
CMOS driver is not present

**Fig. 59-10**

When the digital logic level at the control input is low, the PIN diode is forward-biased by the CMOS gates. The two 1-K $\Omega$  bias resistors limit this current to the PIN diode's safe forward current limit. In this state, the switch is on. When the control input is high, the diode is reverse-biased and the switch is off. This switch is well-suited for electronically steered antenna arrays, multiple path switching, and other applications requiring small, low-cost rf switches. This particular design was used in a four-pole rotary switch for a Doppler-shift radio direction-finder operating at 144 MHz.

## BURST POWER CONTROL

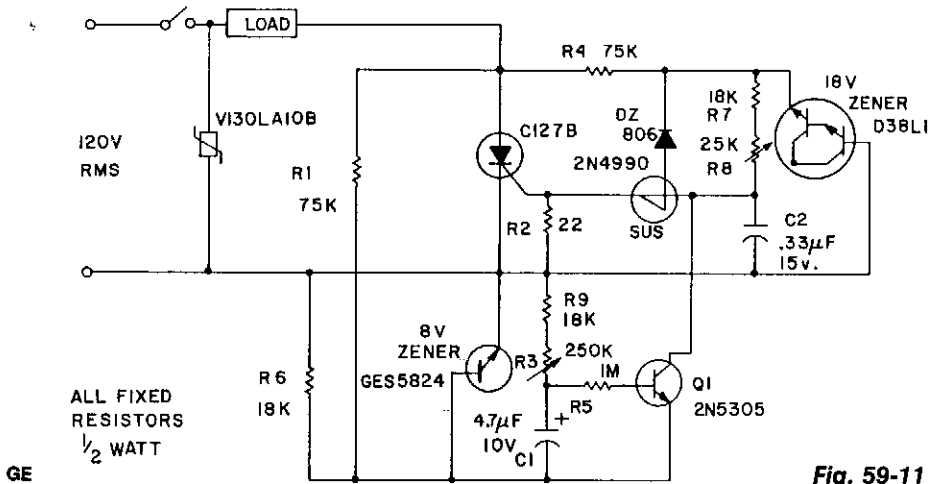


Fig. 59-11

Industrial applications sometimes require that power be only briefly applied to a load following the closure of a switch, such as a microswitch or foot switch. The load could be a heating element for use in sealing plastic bags, a dc motor that is indexed or stepped with each application of power, or a dc solenoid which is to be energized for a brief time—for example, a staple gun.

The phase angle at which the SCR triggers on is determined by the charging rate of C2 through R7 and potentiometer R8. When the breakover voltage of the gate triggering device, a silicon unilateral switch, is reached, the SCR turns on. The average dc voltage to the load is determined by the setting of R8.

## FLAME IGNITOR

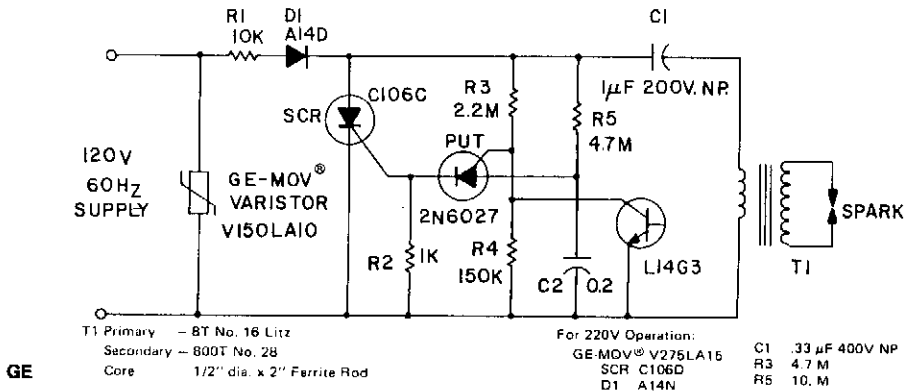
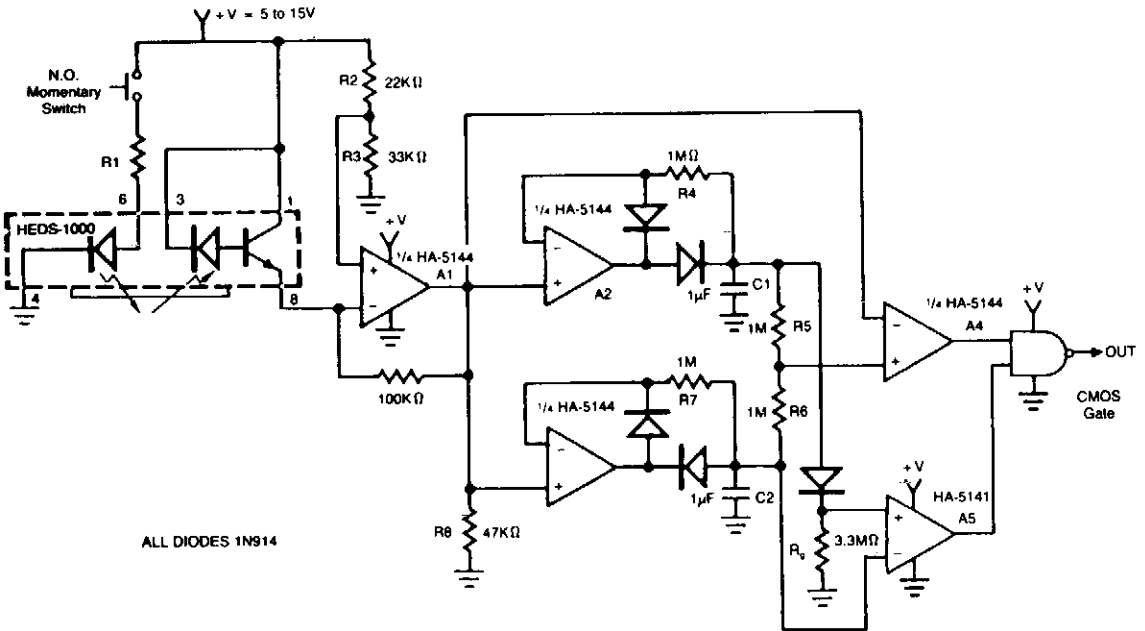


Fig. 59-12

The spark developed by the circuit is suitable for a gas ignitor. Capacitor C1 is charged through R1 and D1 toward peak line voltage. C2 is simultaneously being charged at a slower rate through R5. When the charge on C2 is sufficient to trigger the PUT, the SCR is triggered on, providing a rapid discharge path for C1 through the transformer primary. The SCR is triggered about 20 times per second with the component values shown. The LI4G3 serves as a flame sensor. When ignition is achieved and sensed by the photodiode, the low  $V_{CE}$  prevents further SCR triggering.

## BAR-CODE SCANNER

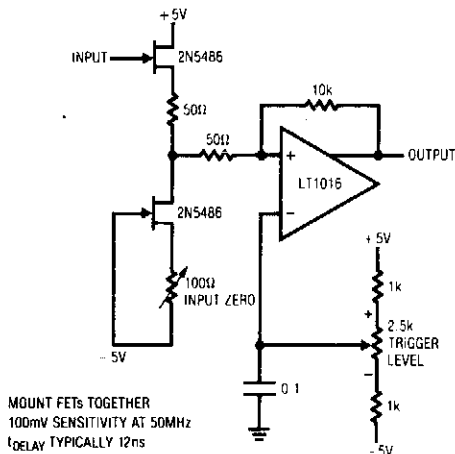


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Fig. 59-13

The circuit illustrates a method of interfacing a HEDS-1000 emitter-detector pair with a HA-5144 for use as a bar-code scanner circuit. The HA-5144 is used as an amplifier system which converts the bar and space widths of the printed bar code into a pulse-width modulated digital signal. Amplifier A1 is used to amplify the current output of the detector. The output of A1 is passed to two precision peak-detector circuits which detect the positive and negative peaks of the received signal. Amplifier A4 is used as a comparator whose reference is maintained at the midpoint of the peak-to-peak signal by resistors R5 and R6. This provides a more accurate edge detection and less ambiguity in bar width. Amplifier A5 is used as an optional noise gate which only allows data to pass through the gate when the peak-to-peak modulation signal is larger than one diode drop. This circuit is operated by a single supply voltage with low-power consumption which makes it ideal for battery-operated data entry systems.

## 50-MHZ TRIGGER

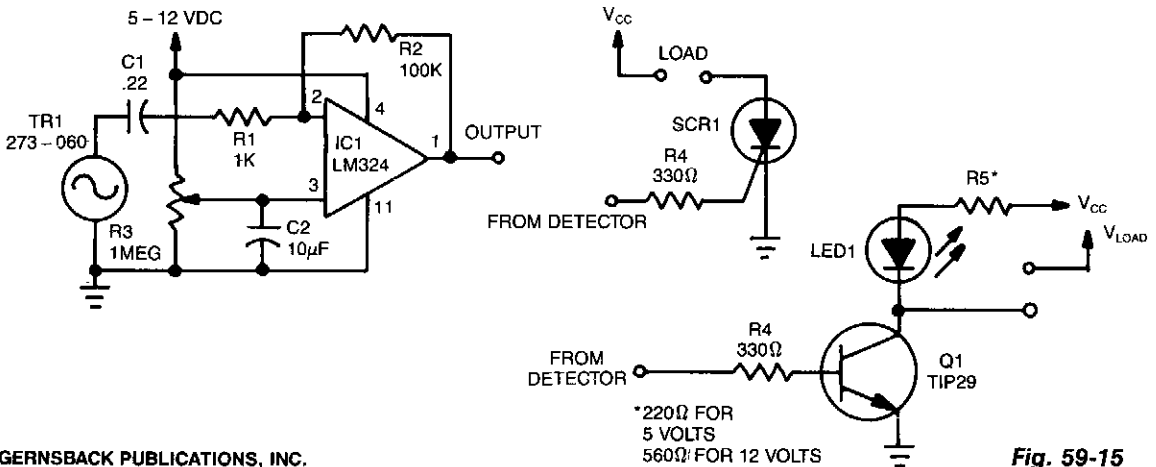


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Fig. 59-14

This has a stable trigger 100 mV sensitivity at 50 MHz. The FETs comprise a simple high-speed buffer and the LT1016 compares the buffer's output to the potential at the trigger level potentiometer, which can be of either polarity. The 10-K $\Omega$  resistor provides hysteresis, eliminating "chattering" caused by noisy input signals. To calibrate this circuit, ground the input and adjust the input zero control for 0 V at Q2's drain terminal.

## AIR-MOTION DETECTOR



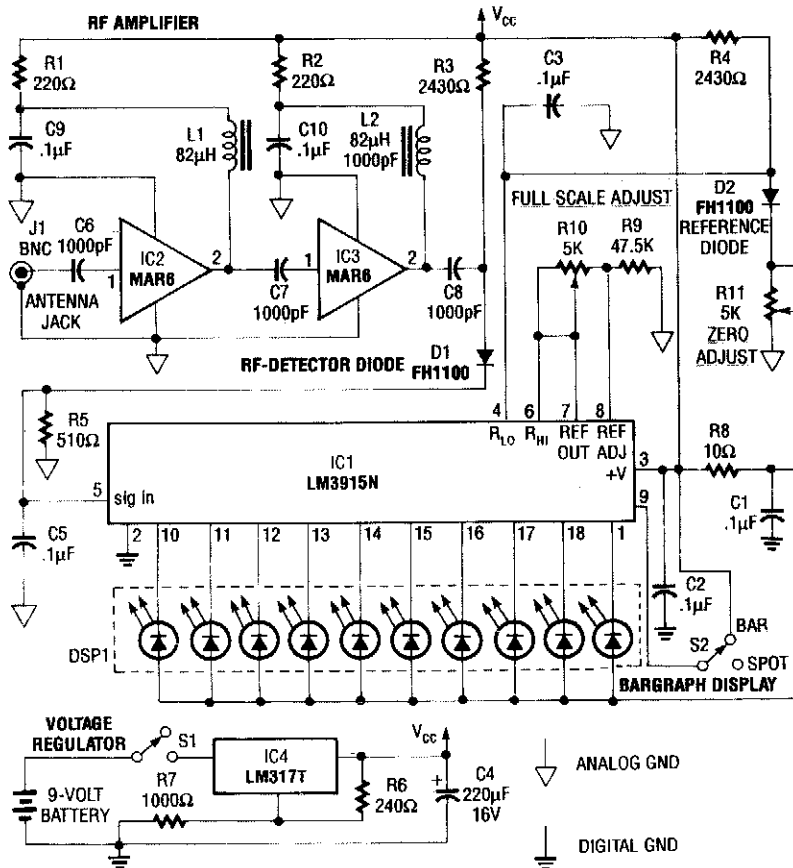
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Fig. 59-15

When a current of air hits the piezo element, a small signal is generated and is fed through C1 and R1 to inverting input pin 2 of one section of the LM324. That causes output pin 1 to increase. Resistor R3 is used to adjust the sensitivity of the detector. The circuit can be set so high as to detect the wave of a hand or so low that blowing on the element as hard as you can will produce no output. Resistor R2 is used to adjust the level of the output voltage at pin 1.

The detector circuit can be used in various control applications. For example, an SCR can be used to control 117-Vac loads as shown. Also, an npn transistor, such as a TIP29, can be used to control loads as shown.

## BUG DETECTOR



**Fig. 59-16**

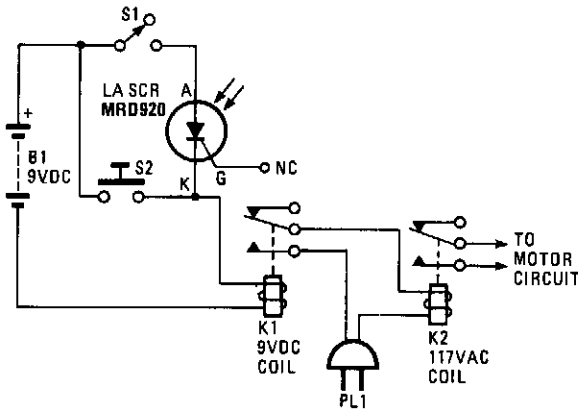
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This rf detector can locate low-power transmitters (bugs) that are hidden from sight. It can sense the presence of a 1-mW transmitter at 20 feet, which is sensitive enough to detect the tiniest bug. As you bring the rf detector closer to the bug, more and more segments of its LED bar-graph display light, which aids in direction finding.

The front end has a two-stage wideband rf amplifier, and a forward-biased hot-carrier diode for a detector. After detection, the signal is filtered and fed to IC1, an LM3915N bar-graph driver having a logarithmic output. Each successive LED segment represents a 3-dB step.



## DOOR OPENER



The door opener derives its power from a 9-V battery. A momentary-contact switch, S2, is provided in the event that manual opening and closing is required. Relay K1 is a 9-V type and relay K2 is a 117-Vac latching-type, which automatically latches with the first burst of current and opens on the second burst. The gate lead of the LASCR is not used; a light source triggers the LASCR unit into conduction, causing current to flow in the coil of the relay. That, in turn, causes K1's contacts to close, thereby energizing K2 (closing its contacts), and operating the garage door motor.

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Fig. 59-17

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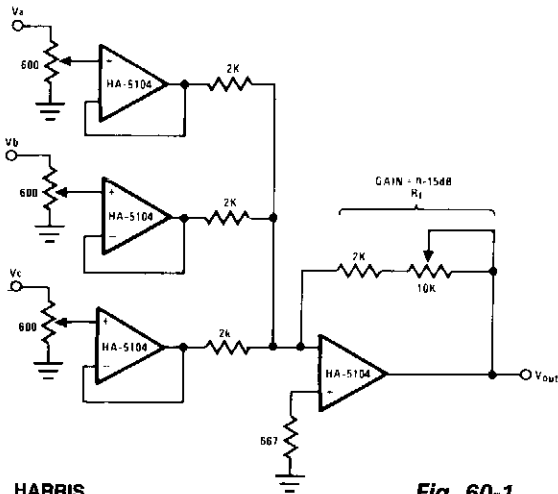
## Mixers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Signal Combiner  
Simple Mixer  
Input-Buffered Mixer  
Four-Channel Mixer  
Universal Mixer Stage

## SIGNAL COMBINER

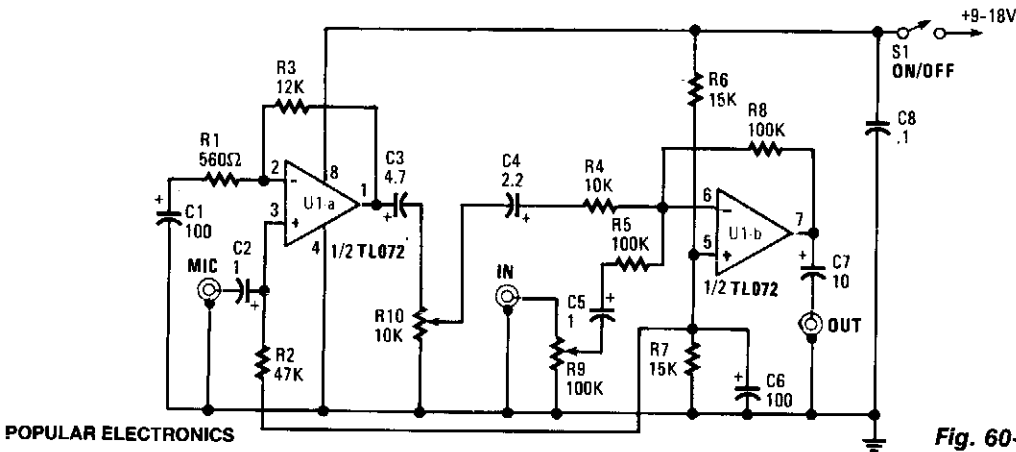


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Fig. 60-1

This circuit uses buffer stages to prevent channel crosstalk back through the mixer resistor network. The potentiometers used for each stage allow for convenient signal strength adjustment, while maintaining input impedance matching at the 600-Ω audio standard. The feedback resistor  $R_f$  will permit the output signal gain to be as high as 15 dB.

## SIMPLE MIXER



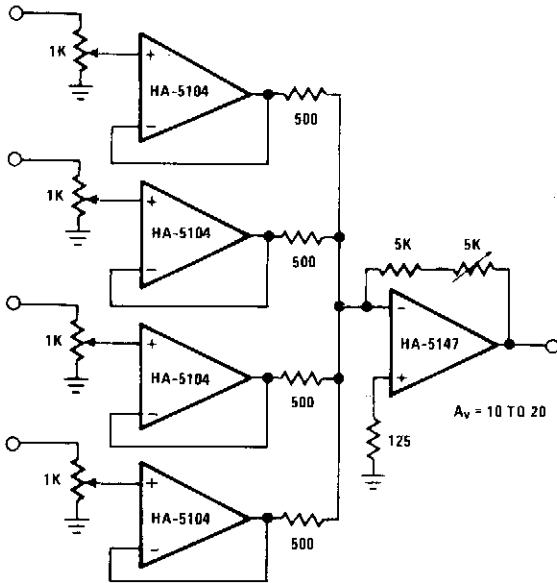
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Fig. 60-2

This mixer is built around a TL072 dual BiFET op amp with a JFET input stage, and can be powered from a single-ended 9- to 18-V power supply. The microphone input is capacitively coupled to the noninverting input of U1a.

Resistors R1 and R3 set the voltage gain at about 26 dB and serve as a negative feedback network for U1a. Capacitors C1 through C3 are dc-blocking capacitors. Most high-impedance microphones have outputs of a few mV. Often, a preamp stage just isn't enough, so the microphone signal is given a boost of about 20 dB in the mixer. The noninverting input of U1b is biased to half the supply voltage by R6, R7, and C6. Resistors R5 and R8 make up the negative-feedback network and set the voltage gain of U1b at unity. Capacitor C5 is for dc blocking at this input.

## INPUT-BUFFERED MIXER

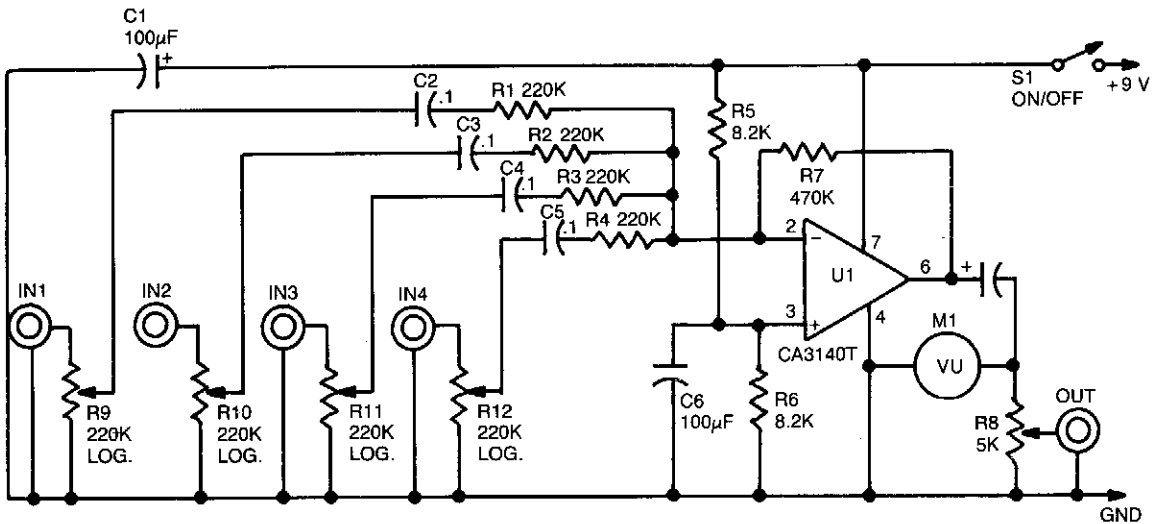


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Fig. 60-3

A high signal-to-noise ratio is important in signal construction and combination. The HA-5147 aids in lowering overall system noise and thereby raises system sensitivity. The signal combination circuit incorporates input buffering with several other features to form a relatively efficient mixer stage with a minimum of channel crosstalk. The potentiometer used for each channel allows for both variable input levels and a constant impedance for the driving source. The buffers serve mainly to prevent reverse crosstalk back through the resistor network. This buffering allows for the combination of varying strength signals without reverse contamination. The gain of the final stage is set at a minimum of 10 and can be adjusted to as much as 20. This allows a great amount of flexibility when combining a vast array of input signals.

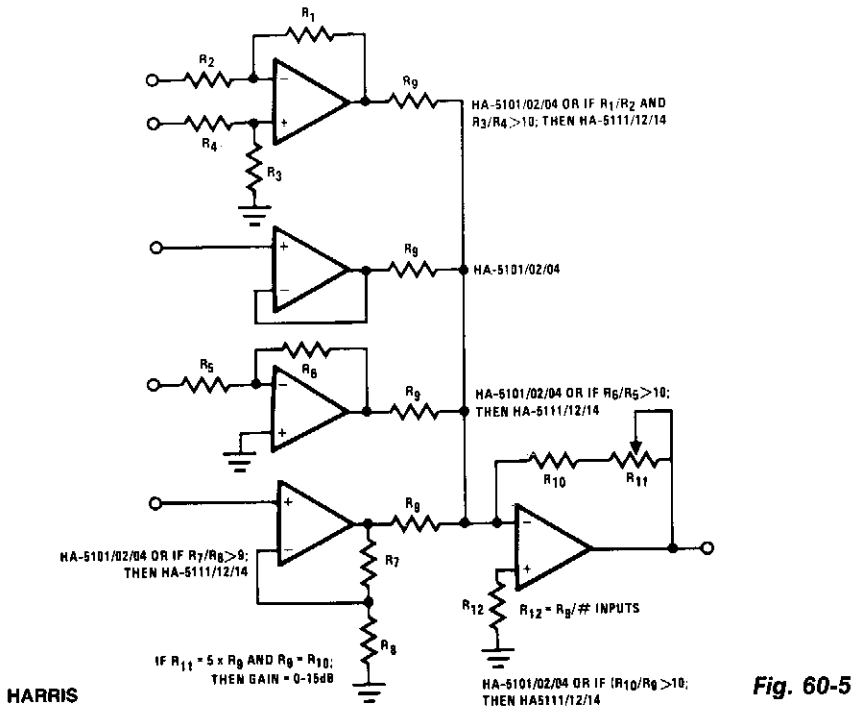
## FOUR-CHANNEL MIXER



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Fig. 60-4

## UNIVERSAL MIXER STAGE



This circuit illustrates some possible buffer combinations. These include a differential input stage, a voltage follower as well as both noninverting and inverting stages. The allowable resistor ratios and recommended device types are also included. One restriction applies to this type of mixer network in which  $R_9$  is greater than 2.4 K $\Omega$ . This limits the worst case output current for each of the input buffers to less than 10 mA.

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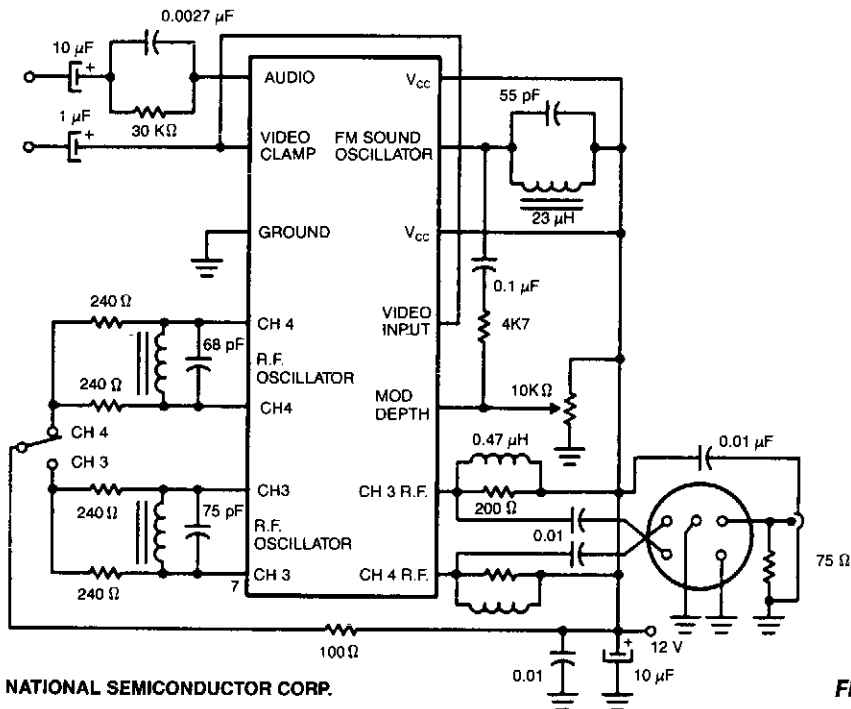
## Modulators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Rf Modulator             | Pulse-Position Modulator           |
| Modulator                | Pulse-Width Modulator              |
| SAW Oscillator Modulator | Balanced Modulator                 |
| Rf Modulator             | Double-Sideband Suppressed-Carrier |
| Modulation Monitor       | Modulator                          |

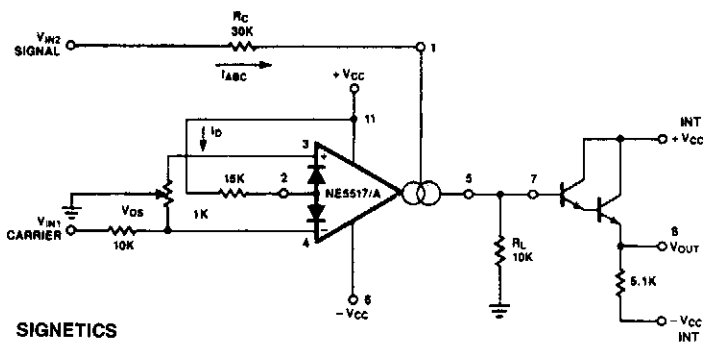
## RF MODULATOR



**Fig. 61-1**

Two IC rf modulators convert a suitable baseband video and audio signal up to a low VHF modulated carrier—Channel 2 through 6 in the U.S., and 1 through 3 in Japan—the LM1889 and the LM2889. Both ICs are identical regarding the rf modulation function, including pin outs, and can provide either of two rf carriers with dc switch selection of the desired carrier frequency. The LM1889 includes a crystal-controlled chroma subcarrier oscillator and balanced modulator for encoding R through Y or U and V color difference signals. A sound intercarrier frequency ic oscillator is modulated using an external varactor diode. The LM2889 replaces the chroma subcarrier function of the LM1889 with a video dc restoration clamp and an internal frequency-modulated sound intercarrier oscillator.

## MODULATOR

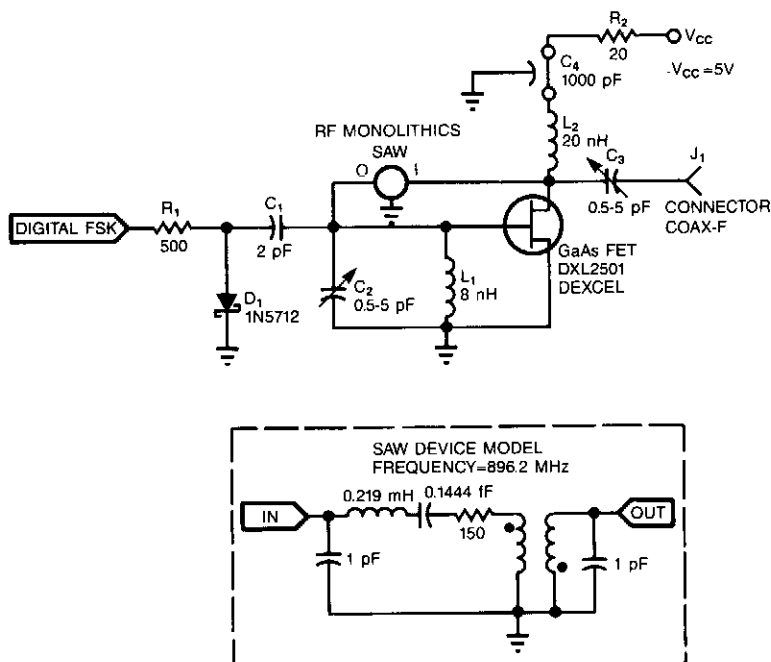


**Fig. 61-2**

## MODULATOR (Cont.)

Because the transconductance of an operational transconductance amplifier is directly proportional to  $I_{ABC}$ , the amplification of a signal can be controlled easily. The output current is the product from transconductance  $X$  input voltage. The circuit is effective up to approximately 200 kHz. Modulation of 99% is easy to achieve.

### SAW OSCILLATOR MODULATOR



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Fig. 61-3

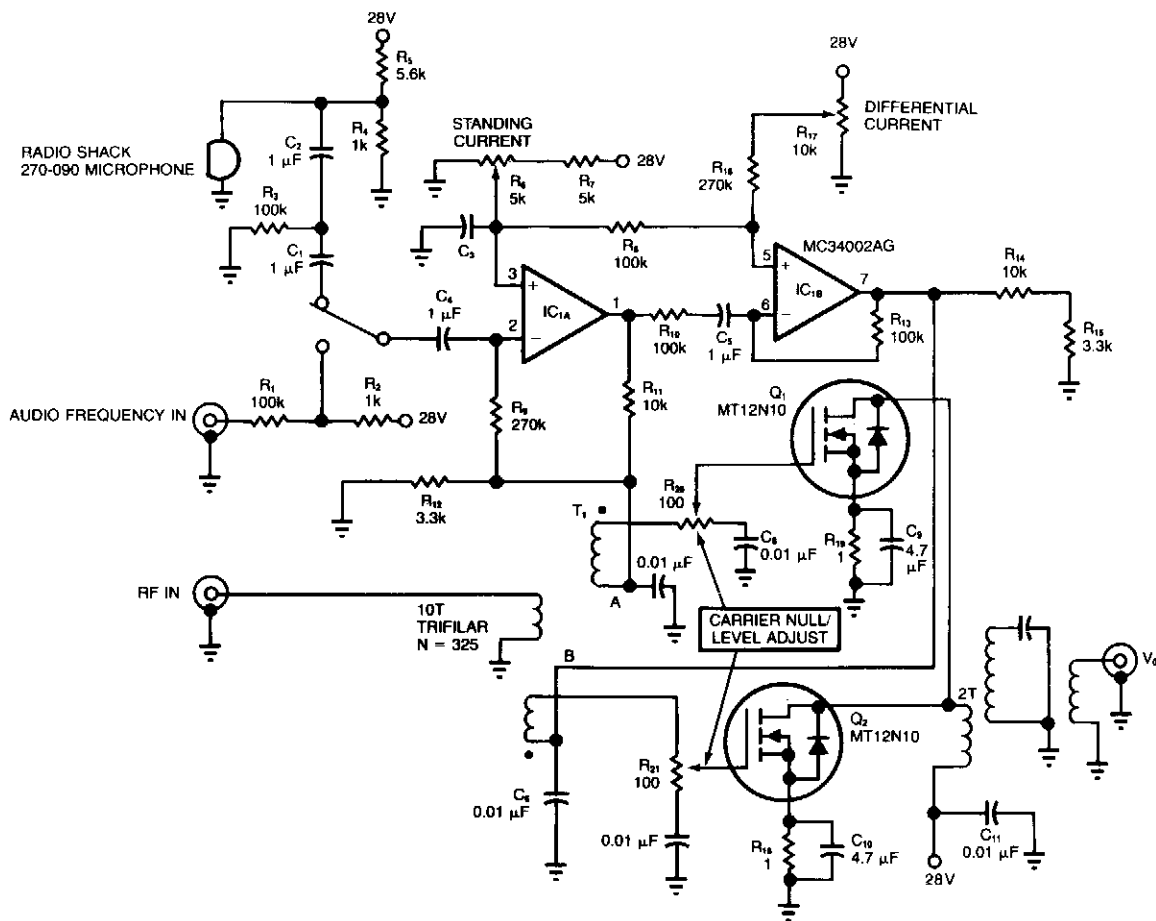
Adding a diode, a resistor, and a capacitor to the SAW (surface-acoustic-wave) oscillator allows you to use the oscillator in FSK (frequency-shift-keying) applications.  $D_1$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $C_1$  form a simple diode switch in which  $D_1$  shunts  $C_1$  to ground. When the digital FSK input to  $R_1$  is low,  $D_1$  is off, and the small junction capacitance of  $D_1$  couples  $C_1$  to ground. A high FSK signal causes current to flow through  $R_1$  and  $D_1$ .  $D_1$ 's dynamic impedance is small when it is in forward conduction. Therefore,  $C_1$  sees a lower impedance path to ground. Thus, the FSK input effectively switches  $C_1$  in and out of the oscillator's circuit.

When  $C_1$  is in the circuit—digital FSK is high—it pulls the frequency of the circuit slightly lower because of the additional phase shift  $C_1$  introduces at the GaAs FET gate terminal (available from: Dexcel, Div. of Gould, Santa Clara, CA). The SAW device (available from: RF Monolithics, Dallas, TX) restricts the amount of frequency shifting—usually less than 20 ppm for a high-Q SAW device.

The oscillator shown produces a center frequency of 896.2 MHz with an FSK deviation of 17 kHz when you drive the FSK input with a 0 to 5 V signal. The frequency also depends on  $L_1$  and  $C_2$ .



## RF MODULATOR

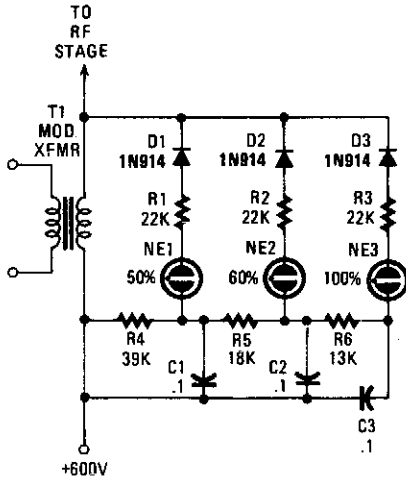


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Fig. 61-4

Because power MOSFETs offer high power gain at both audio and radio frequencies, they are useful in many areas of radio-circuit design. For rf applications, a MOSFET's large safe operating area,  $V_{DS}$  vs  $I_D$ , protects it against damage from reflected rf energy. As a modulator, a MOSFET's transfer linearity aids fidelity. In the suppressed-carrier modulator, an rf signal is applied to the primary of transformer T1, whose secondaries provide equal-amplitude, opposite-phase rf drive signals to output FETs Q1 and Q2. Output  $V_o$  is zero when no audio-frequency signals are present, because the opposite-phase rf signals from Q1 and Q2 cancel. When audio-frequency signals appear at nodes A and B, you obtain a modulated rf output ( $V_o$ ). Source resistors R18 and R19 improve the dc stability and low-frequency gain. A phase inverter, based on the dual op amp IC1A and IC1B, generates the out-of-phase, equal-amplitude, audio-frequency modulation signals.

## MODULATION MONITOR

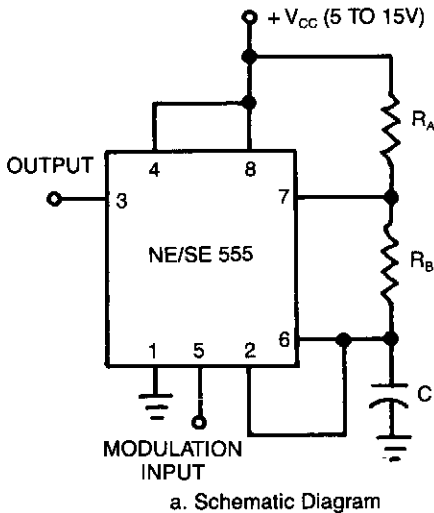


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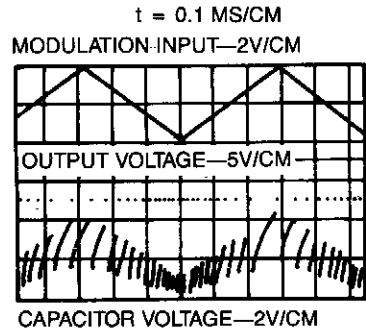
Fig. 61-5

Switching diodes are used to fire the neon lamps when negative-peak modulation hits 50, 60, and 100%. To use the circuit, keep an eye on the lamps. You should attempt to keep the 50% lamp firing all the time, the 60% lamp should be on as much as possible, but try to prevent the 100% lamp from lighting.

## PULSE-POSITION MODULATOR



a. Schematic Diagram



b. Expected Waveform

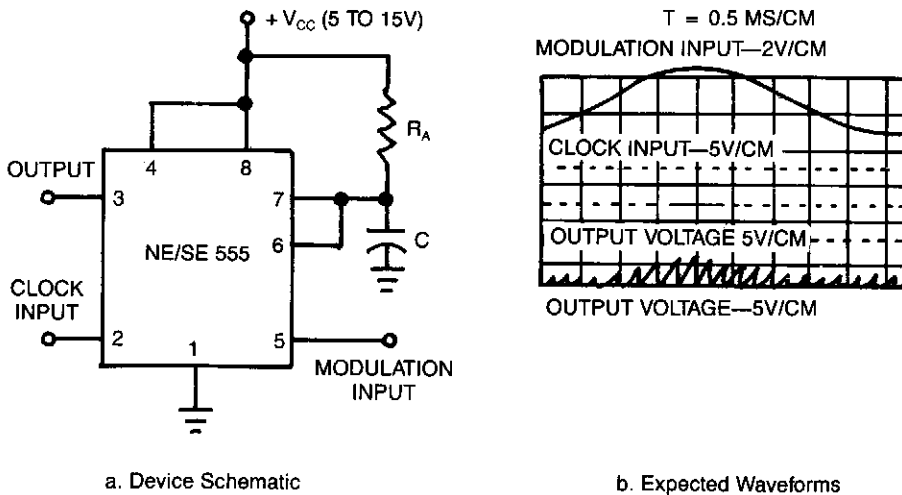
$$R_A = 3K\Omega \quad R_B = 500\Omega \quad C = .01\mu F$$

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Fig. 61-6

This application uses the timer connected for astable (free-running) operation, with a modulating signal again applied to the control voltage terminal. The pulse position varies with the modulating signal, since the threshold voltage and the time delay is varied.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR

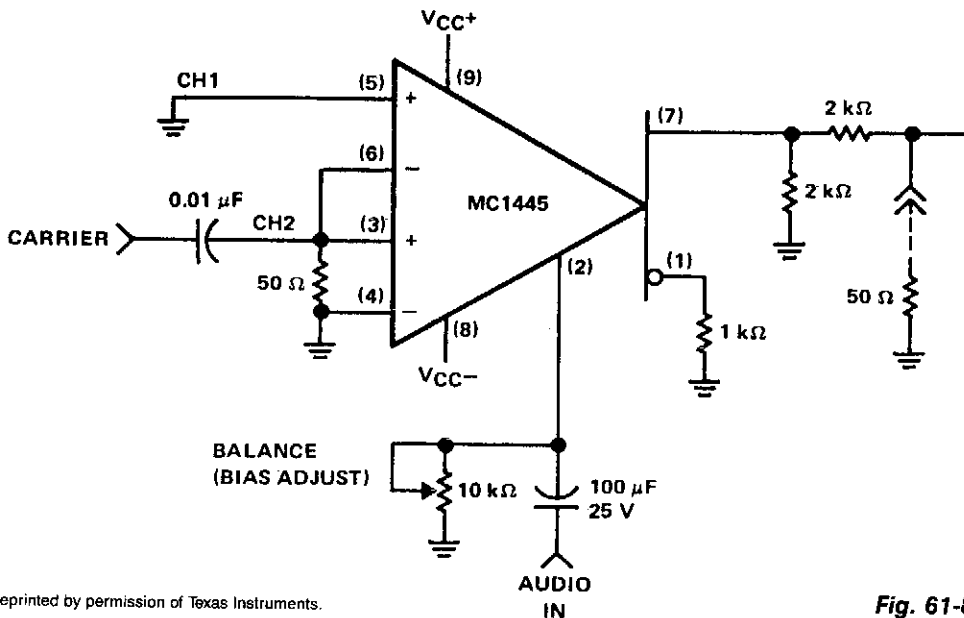


### SIGNETICS

**Fig. 61-7**

In this application, the timer is connected in the monostable mode. The circuit is triggered with a continuous pulse train and the threshold voltage is modulated by the signal applied to the control voltage terminal at pin 5. This has the effect of modulating the pulse width as the control voltage varies. The figure shows the actual waveform generated with this circuit.

## BALANCED MODULATOR



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**Fig. 61-8**



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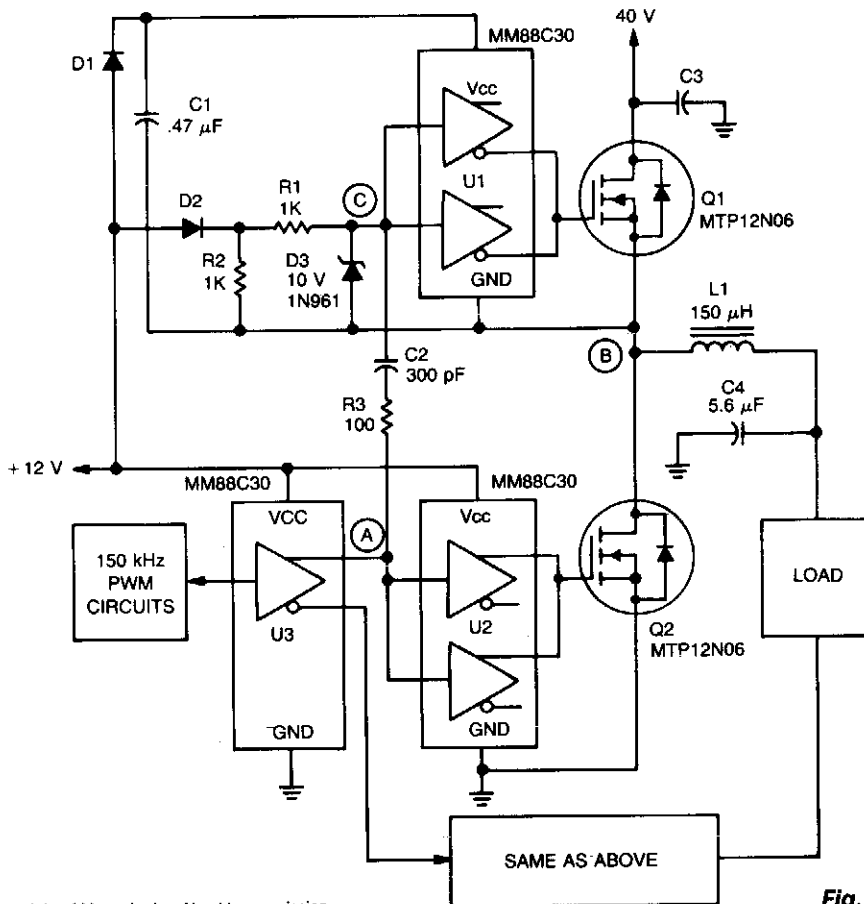
## Motor-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| PWM Servo Amplifier                              | Constant-Speed Motor Driver                   |
| PWM Speed Control and<br>Energy-Recovering Brake | Dc Motor Drive with Fixed Speed<br>Control    |
| Start-and-Run Motor Circuit                      | Bridge-Type Ac Servo Amplifier                |
| Automatic Fan-Speed Controller                   | Speed-Controlled Reversible Dc<br>Motor Drive |
| Efficient Switching Controller                   | PWM Motor Controller                          |
| Closed-Loop Motor-Speed Control                  | Stepping Motor Drive                          |
| Servo System Controller                          | High-Efficiency Motor-Speed<br>Controller     |
| Switched-Mode Motor-Speed<br>Controller          |   |
| Tachless Motor-Speed Controller                  |   |

## PWM SERVO AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 62-1

A major feature of the PWM servo amplifier is elimination of a pulse transformer. A 150 kHz pulse-width modulated signal is applied to U3, with its complementary outputs applied to identical circuits to drive the load. When point A increases, Q2 is on and point B is at ground potential. The  $V_{CC}$  for U1 is maintained through D1, and Q1 is held off by D2. When point A decreases, Q2 turns off, point C is pulled low by C2, which turns Q1 on. The time constant for R1, R3, and C2 can hold Q1 on just long enough to allow the voltage at point B to start rising. As point B rises, it charges C2 by forward biasing D3, maintaining point C low with respect to U1, and keeping Q1 turned on.

With point B at 40 V, D2 is off and point C is held low by R1 and R2, and  $V_{CC}$  for U1 is maintained by the charge on C1. When point A increases again, Q2 again turns on, C2 pushes point C high, and turns Q1 off long enough to allow the voltage at point B to start falling. C2 is now discharged by reverse-biased D3, which keeps point C high with respect to U1, and keeps Q1 off. Once point B reaches ground potential, D1 again turns on, recharging C1, and maintaining  $V_{CC}$  to U1. D2 also turns on and keeps Q1 off.

PWM SPEED CONTROL AND ENERGY-RECOVERING BRAKE

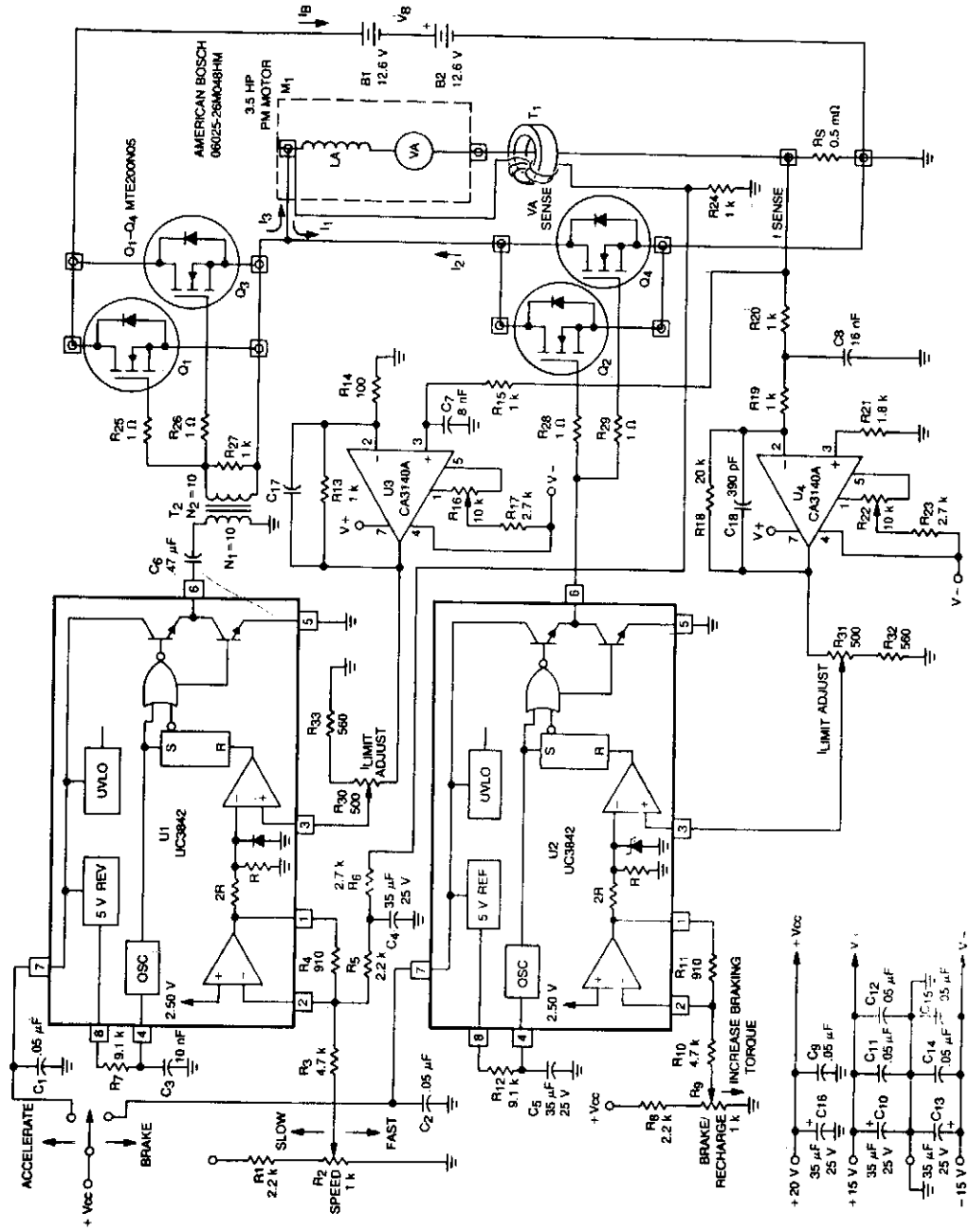


Fig. 62-2

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This circuit uses the main drive motor as a generator/brake to recover the battery charge during vehicle braking. When this is done, it can increase the overall range and efficiency of an electric vehicle.

In the accelerate mode, Q1 through Q3 receive gate pulses from U1, an on-line, current-mode, PWM controller IC. Assuming negligible effects of  $R$ , when Q1 through Q3 turn on, current  $I_1$  builds up through the motor at a rate of:

$$dI_1 = V_B - V_A$$

where:  $V_A$  = Battery voltage  
 $V_B$  = Motor's back EMF  
 $L_A$  = Motor inductance in henries

Motor current and torque continue to rise until the voltage on the  $I_{SENSE}$  line is greater than  $I_{RESET}$ , as determined by the speed potentiometer. At this time, Q1 through Q3 are switched off, current  $I_2$  begins to flow and decreases at a rate of:

$$\frac{dI_2}{dt} = \frac{V_A}{L_A}$$

until the next clock period begins.

As vehicle braking occurs, accelerate PWM IC U1 is switched off and braking PWM IC U2 and Q2 through Q4 are switched on. During this time, the back EMF source voltage causes current  $I_3$  to begin to flow at the rate of:

$$\frac{dI_3}{dt} = \frac{V_A}{L_A}$$

The current  $I_3$  continues to rise until  $I_{SENSE}$  is greater than  $I_{RESET}$ . Now, Q2 through Q4 are switched off and  $I_B$  is forced to flow back into the storage battery, thus energy is recovered.

The braking torque produced by the motor is proportional to the average reverse current that flows through the motor on the duty cycle of Q2 through Q4. The braking force can continue until:

$$V_A = 0$$

For reliable performance, voltage supplies should be independent of the main battery voltage.



## START-AND-RUN MOTOR CIRCUIT

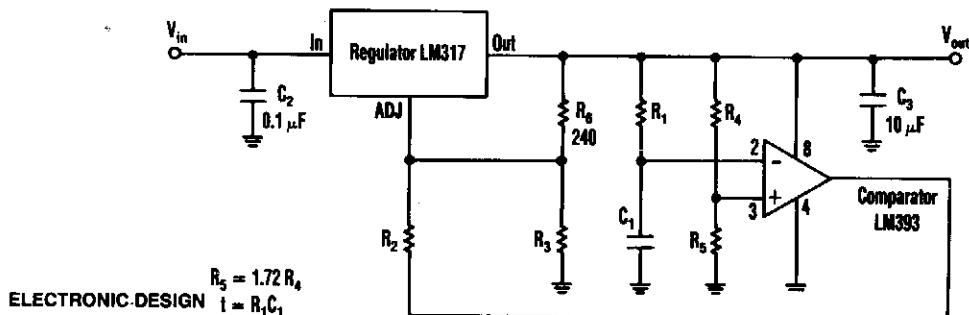


Fig. 62-3

The timed two-voltage circuit can start and run a small dc motor or solenoid. The input voltage to the LM317 three-terminal regulator ranges from 5 to 40 V, and the output voltage can range from 2 to 36 V. With input voltage  $V_{IN}$  initially applied to the input, and capacitor  $C_1$  in a discharged state, the LM393 comparator's open-collector output circuit is open-circuited. Then the higher start-up output voltage is:

$$V_{OUT} = 1.25 [1 + (R_3/240)]$$

At a time  $t$  after start-up, when:

$$t = -R_1 C_1 \ln[R_4 / (R_4 + R_5)]$$

or:

$$t = -R_1 C_1, \text{ if } R_5 = 1.72 R_4$$

the comparator output decreases. At that time, the output voltage switches to a lower value to run the device at its proper operating level.

## AUTOMATIC FAN SPEED CONTROLLER

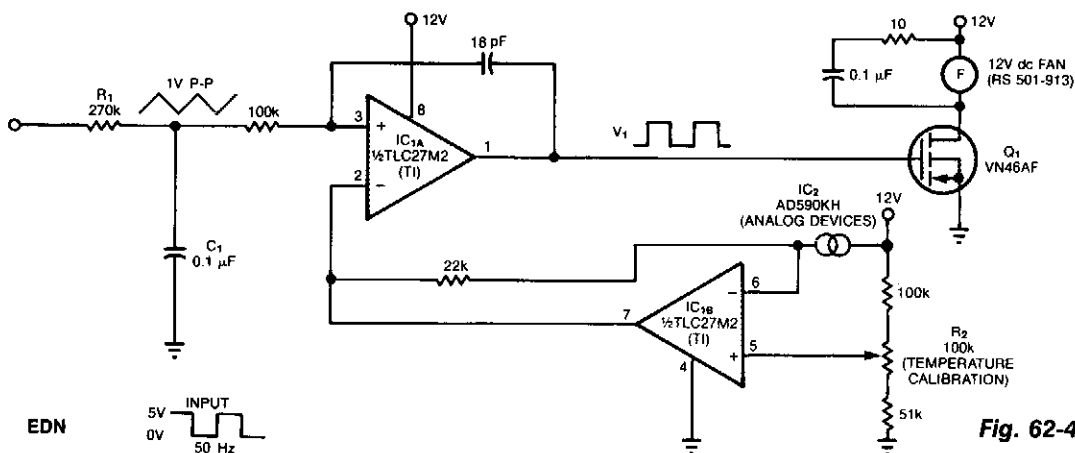


Fig. 62-4

## AUTOMATIC FAN SPEED CONTROLLER (Cont.)

The controller circuit can reduce a fan's noise, power consumption, and wear, particularly in the presence of a low, fluctuating ambient temperature. Mount a temperature sensor in the fan's airstream, and the circuit will adjust the fan speed as necessary to maintain a relatively constant sensor temperature. Input components R1 and C1 integrate the input square wave, producing a quasitriangular wave at the non-inverting input of op amp IC1A. At this inverting input is a reference voltage that decreases as temperature increases. The two-terminal sensor produces  $1 \mu\text{A}/^\circ\text{K}$ . The result is a rectangular wave at the output of IC1A with a duty cycle proportional to absolute temperature. Thus, a rise in temperature triggers a counteracting cooling effect by delivering more power to the fan. To calibrate the system with the sensor at room temperature, simply adjust R2 for a 50% duty cycle at  $V_1$ . The fan will switch off at approximately  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and will be fully on at  $44^\circ\text{C}$ .

## EFFICIENT SWITCHING CONTROLLER

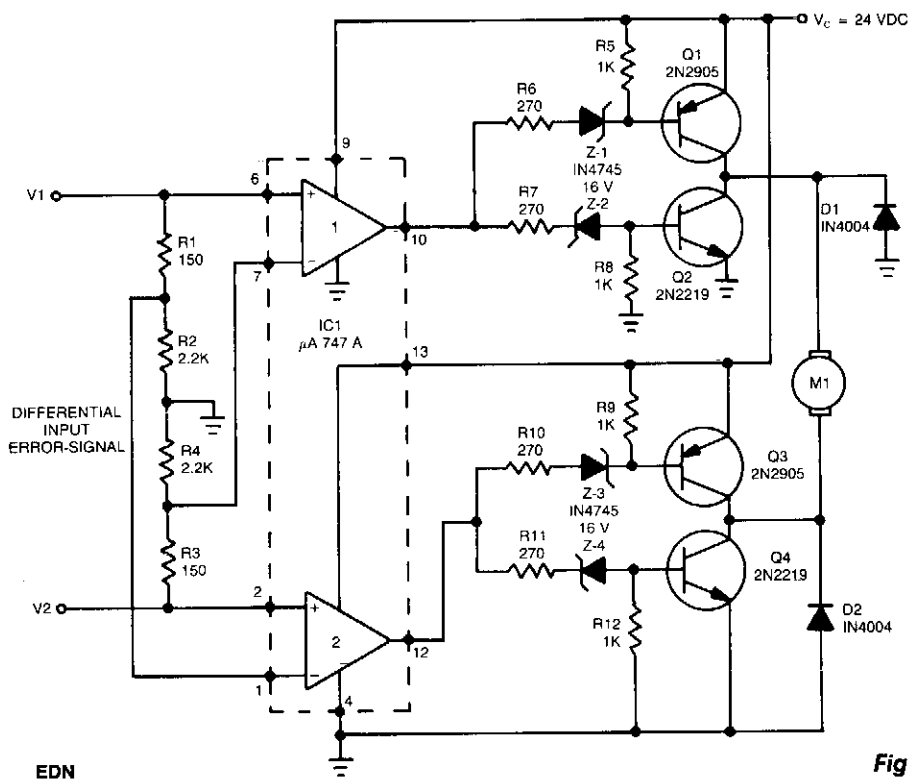
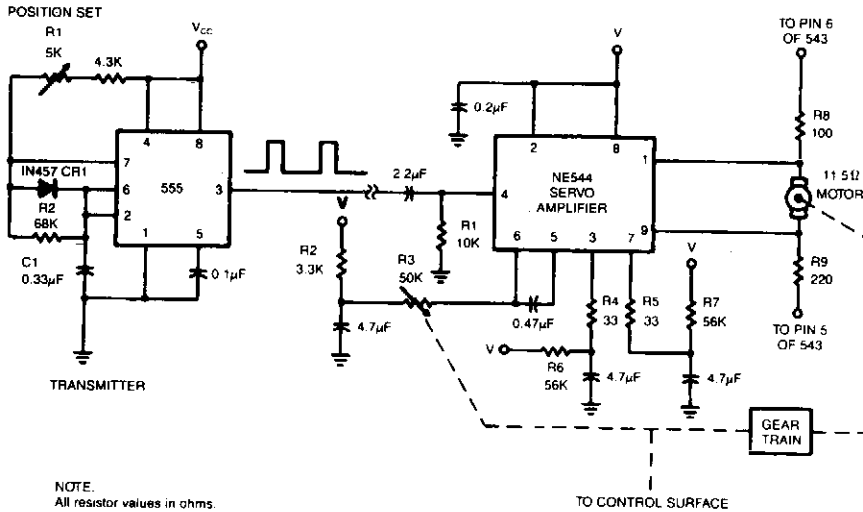


Fig. 62-5

This high-performance switching controller for a low-power dc servo motor uses a symmetrical complementary-transistor bridge. The bridge acts as a reversing switch between the motor and a single-ended power supply. Since the transistors operate either fully on or completely off, except during a very short transition period, much less heat is dissipated than in linear-amplifier circuits. Damping is provided by the circuit's inherent dynamic braking. Since either maximum or zero voltage is applied to the motor, the dynamic response is faster than that of linear servo drives.

## SERVO SYSTEM CONTROLLER

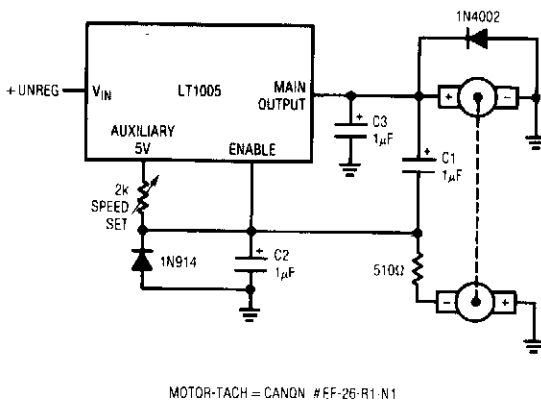


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Fig. 62-6

To control a servo motor remotely, the 555 needs only six extra components.

## SWITCHED-MODE MOTOR-SPEED CONTROLLER

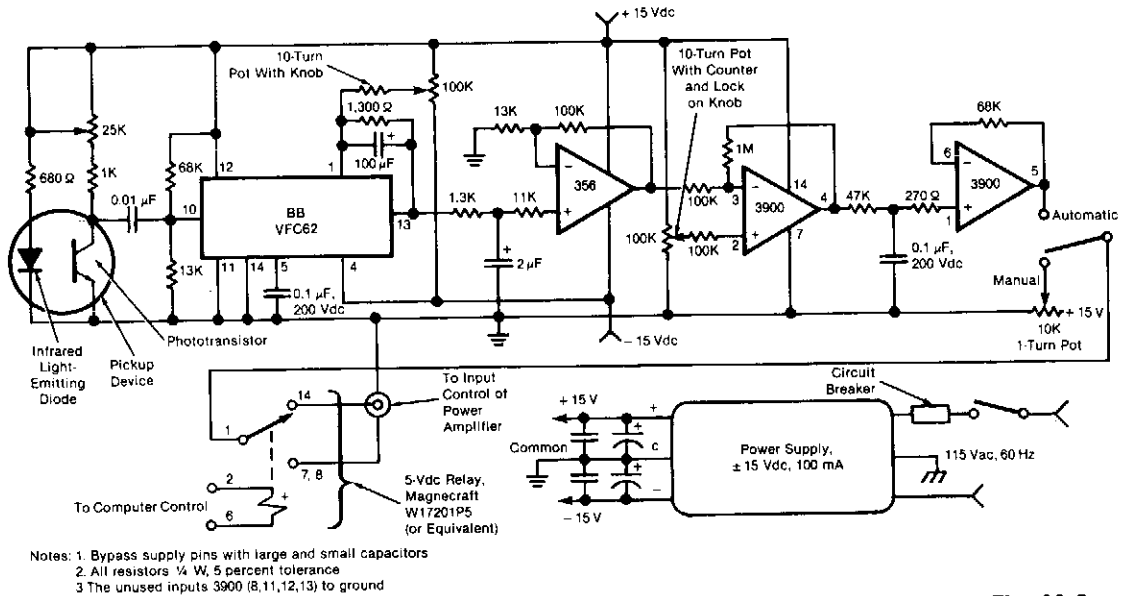


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Fig. 62-7

This circuit uses a tachometer to generate a feedback signal which is compared to a reference supplied by the auxiliary output. When power is applied, the tachometer output is zero and the regulator output comes on, forcing current into the motor. As motor rotation increases, the negative tachometer output pulls the enable pin toward ground. When the enable pin's threshold voltage is reached, the regulator output decreases and the motor slows. C1 provides positive feedback, ensuring clean transitions. In this fashion, the motor's speed is servo-controlled at a point determined by the 2-KΩ potentiometer setting. The regulator free-runs at whatever frequency and duty cycle are required to maintain the enable pin at its threshold. The loop bandwidth and stability are set by C2 and C3. The 1N914 diode prevents the negative output tachometer from pulling the enable pin below ground, and the 1N4002 commutates the motor's negative flyback pulse.

## CLOSED-LOOP MOTOR-SPEED CONTROL



**Fig. 62-8**

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This electronic motor-speed control circuit is designed to operate in an electrically noisy environment. The circuit includes an optoelectronic pickup device, which is placed inside the motor housing to provide a speed feedback signal. The circuit automatically maintains the speed of the motor at the commanded value.

The pickup device contains an infrared LED and a phototransistor. The radiation from the diode is chopped into pulses by the motor fan blades, which are detected by the phototransistor. The train of pulses from the phototransistor is fed to a frequency-to-voltage converter, the output of which is a voltage proportional to the speed of the motor. This voltage is low-pass filtered, amplified, and compared with a manually-adjustable control voltage that represents the commanded speed.

The difference between the speed-measurement and speed-command signals is amplified and fed as a control voltage to an external power amplifier that drives the motor. A selector switch at the output of the final amplifier of this circuit also enables the operator to bypass the circuit and manually set the control voltage for the external amplifier.



## DC MOTOR DRIVE WITH FIXED SPEED CONTROL

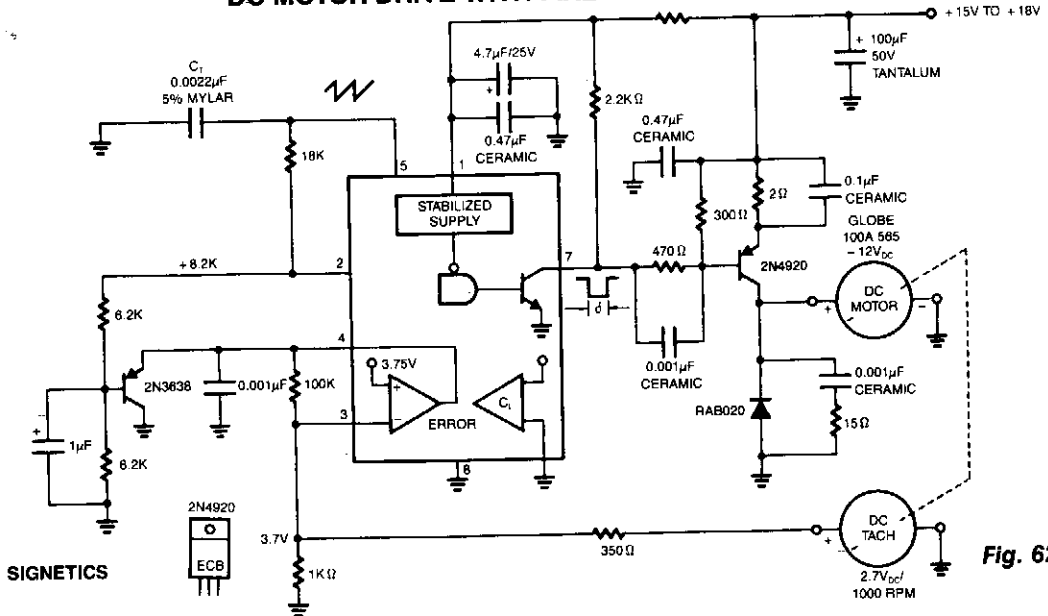
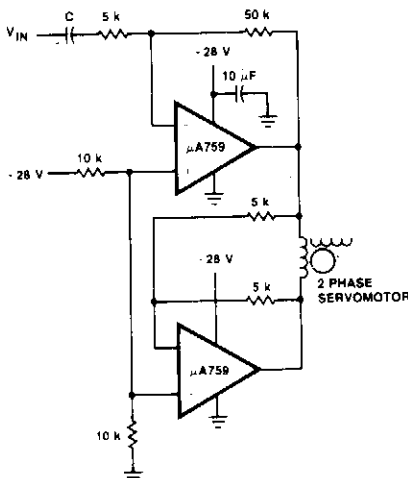


Fig. 62-11

The NE5561 provides pulse-proportional drive and speed control based on dc tachometer feedback. This simple switching circuit consists of transistor 2N4920 pnp with a commutation diode used to deliver programmed pulse energy to the motor. A frequency of approximately 20 kHz is used to eliminate audio noise. The dc tach delivers 2.7 V/1000 RPM. Negative feedback occurs when this voltage is applied to the error amplifier of the NE5561. The duty cycle varies directly with load torque demand. The no-load current is  $\approx 0.3$  A and full load is 0.6 A.

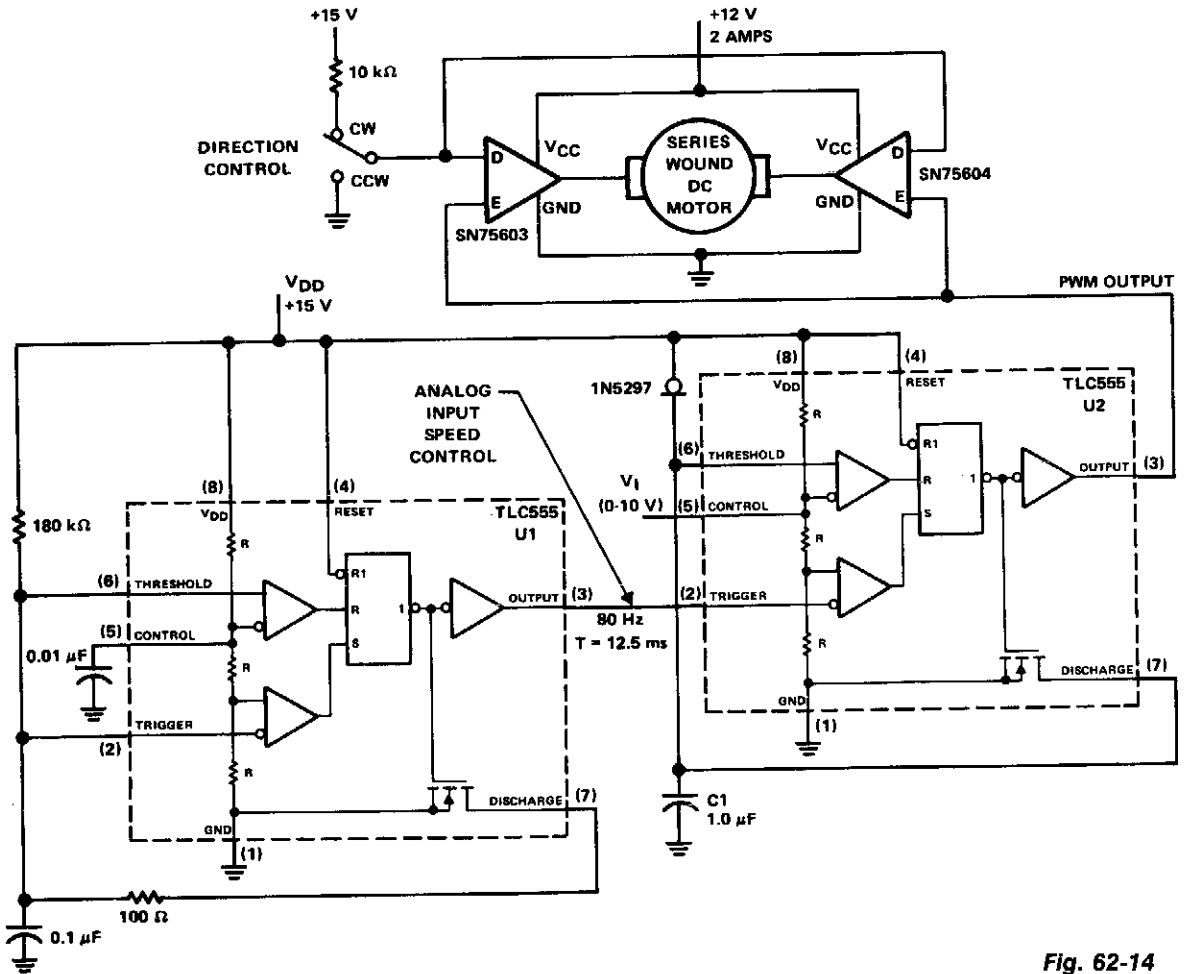
## BRIDGE-TYPE AC SERVO AMPLIFIER



This motor driver circuit uses a  $\mu$ A759 power amplifier to drive a two-phase servomotor.



## PWM MOTOR CONTROLLER



**Fig. 62-14**

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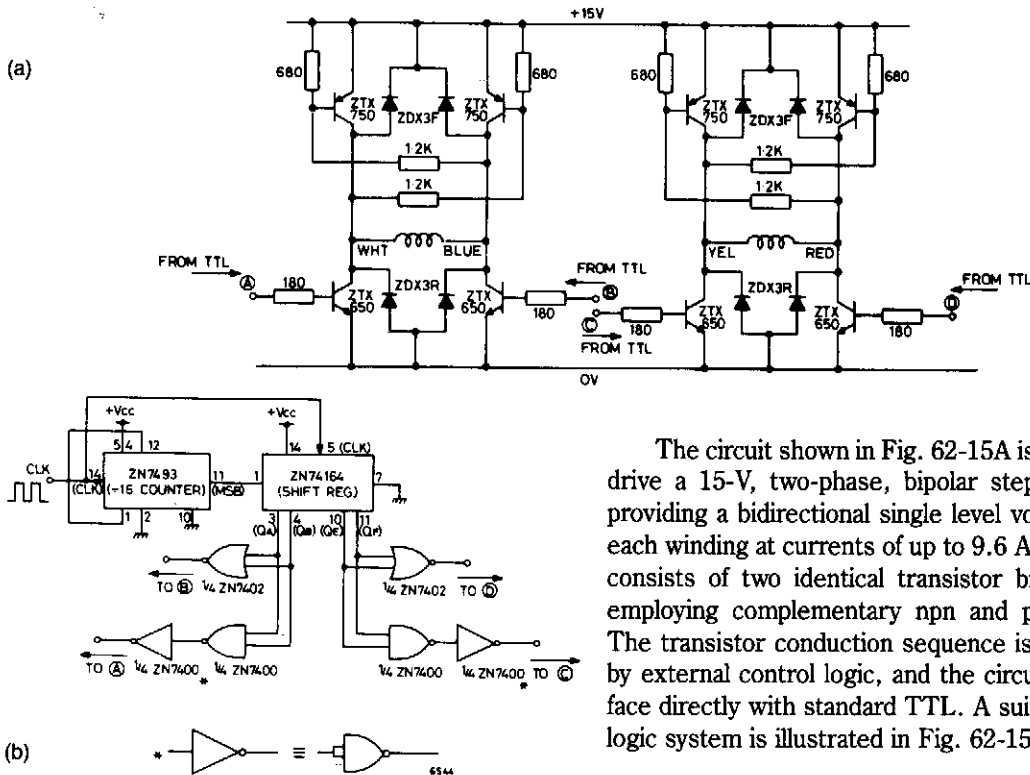
The PWM controller uses complementary half-H peripheral drivers SN75603 and SN75604, with totem-pole outputs rated at 40 V and 2.0 A. These drivers effectively place the motor in a full-bridge configuration, which has the ability to provide bidirectional control.

Timer U1 operates in the astable mode at a frequency of 80 Hz. The 100-Ω discharge resistor results in an 8-μs trigger pulse which is coupled to the trigger input of timer U2. Timer U2 serves as the PWM generator. Capacitor C1 is charged linearly with a constant current of 1 mA from the 1N5297, which is an FET current-regulator diode.

Motor speed is controlled by feeding a dc voltage of 0 to 10 V to control input pin 5 of U2. As the control voltage increases, the width of the output pulse pin 3 also increases. These pulses control the on/off time of the two motor drivers. The trigger pulse width of timer U1 limits the minimum possible duty cycle from U2.



## STEPPING MOTOR DRIVE

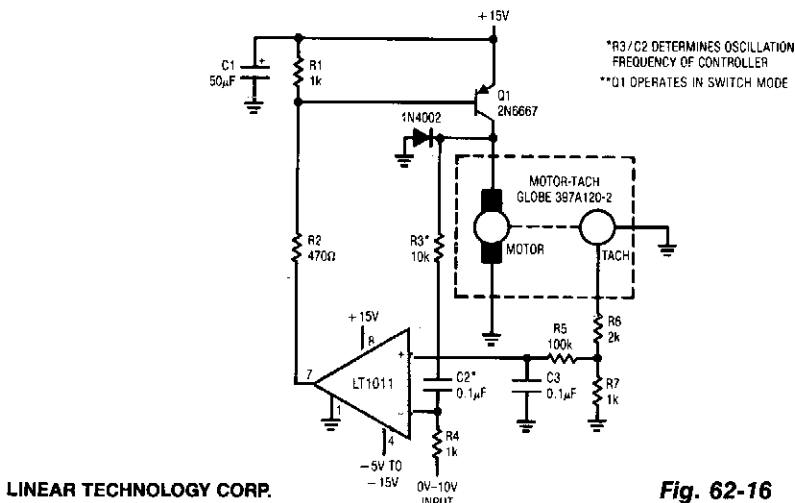


The circuit shown in Fig. 62-15A is designed to drive a 15-V, two-phase, bipolar stepping motor, providing a bidirectional single level voltage across each winding at currents of up to 9.6 A. The circuit consists of two identical transistor bridge stages employing complementary npn and pnp devices. The transistor conduction sequence is determined by external control logic, and the circuit will interface directly with standard TTL. A suitable control logic system is illustrated in Fig. 62-15B.

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**Fig. 62-15**

## HIGH-EFFICIENCY MOTOR-SPEED CONTROLLER



**Fig. 62-16**

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## Multiplexers

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Two-Level Multiplexer

1-of-15 Cascaded Video MUX

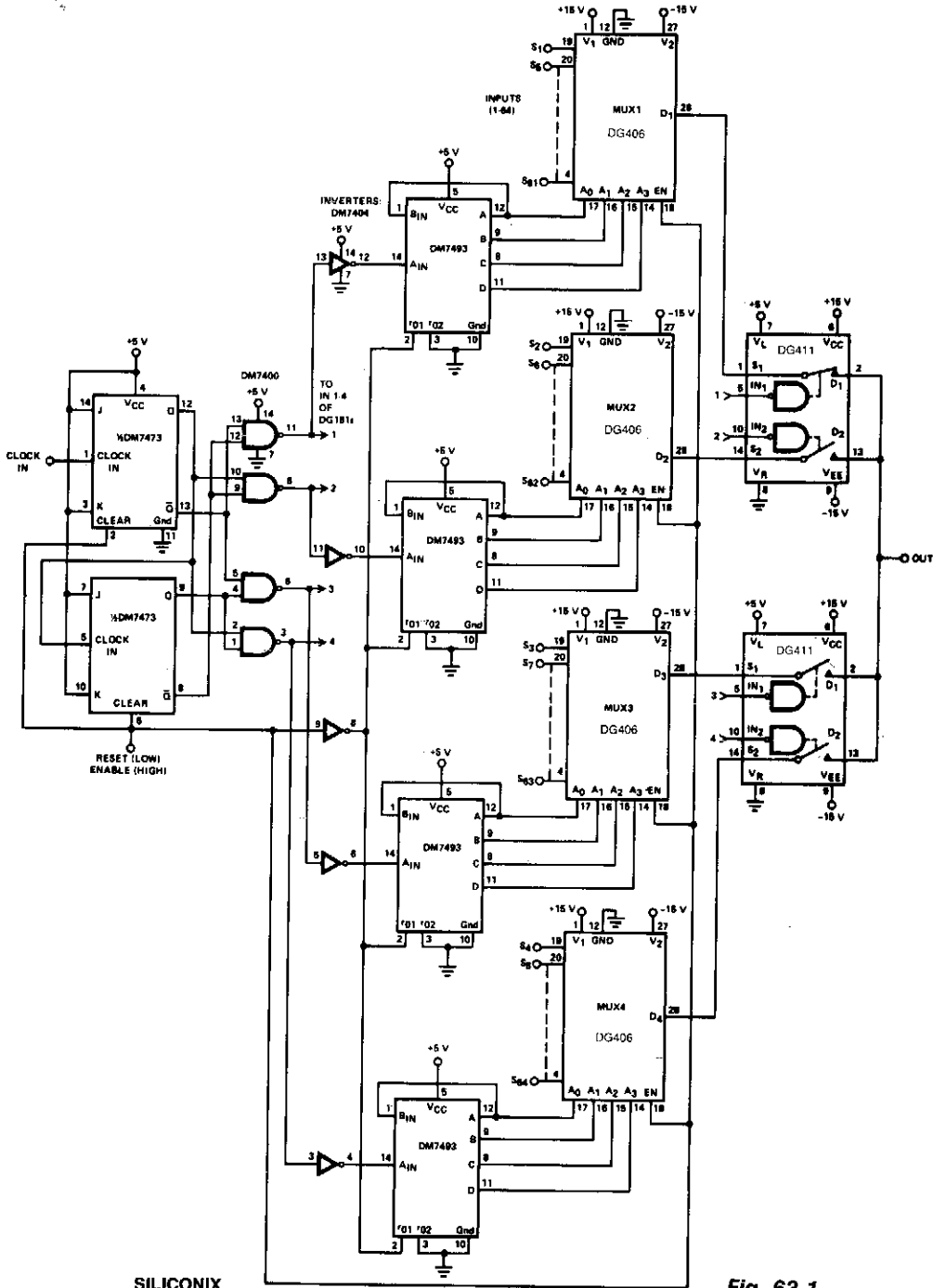
Low-Cost Four-Channel Multiplexer  
Demultiplexer

One-of-Eight Channel Transmission  
System

Three-Channel Multiplexer with  
Sample-and-Hold

Analog Multiplexer with  
Buffered Input and Output

## TWO-LEVEL MULTIPLEXER

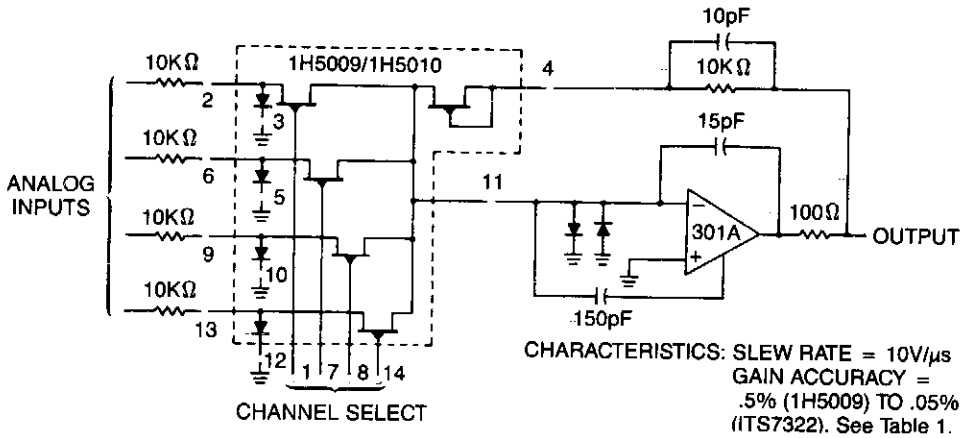


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Fig. 63-1



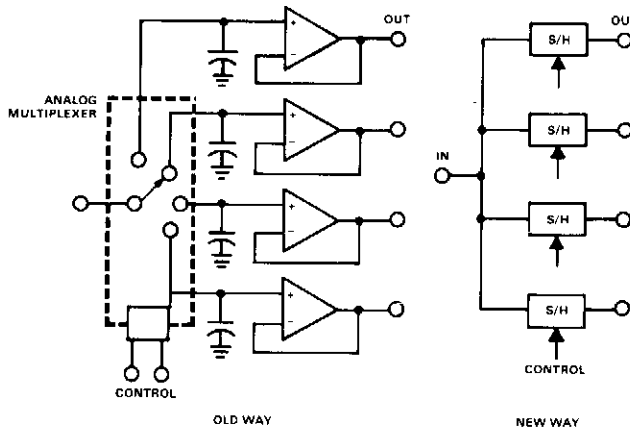
## LOW-COST FOUR-CHANNEL MULTIPLEXER



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Fig. 63-3

## DEMULTIPLEXER



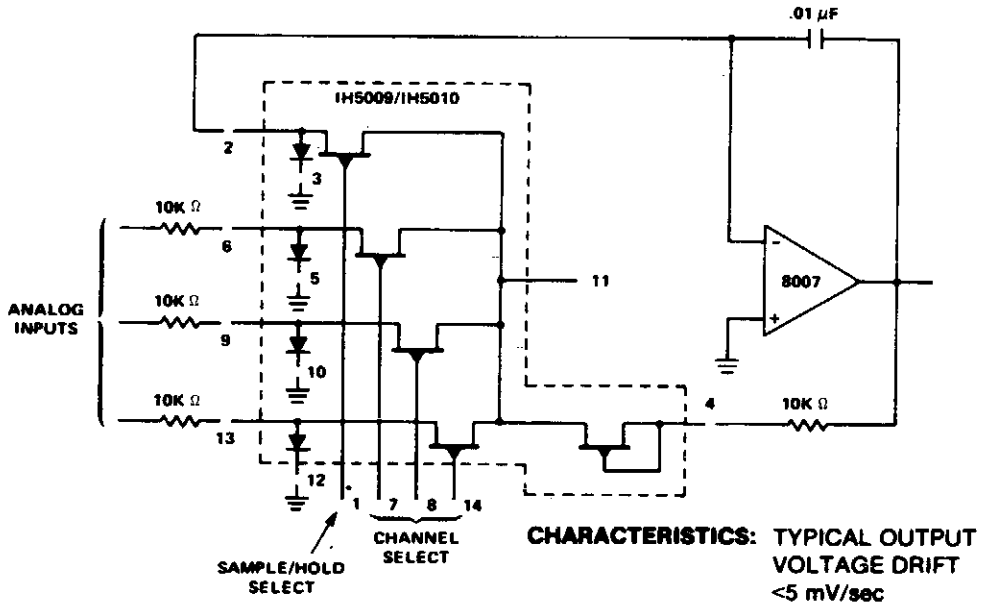
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Fig. 63-4

This circuit reconstructs and separates analog signals which have been time-division multiplexed. The conventional method, shown on the left, has several restrictions, particularly when a short dwell time and a long, accurate hold time is required. The capacitors must charge from a low-impedance source through the resistance and current-limiting characteristics of the multiplexer. When holding, the high-impedance lines are relatively long and subject to noise pickup and leakage. When FET input buffer amplifiers are used for low leakage applications, severe temperature offset errors are often introduced.



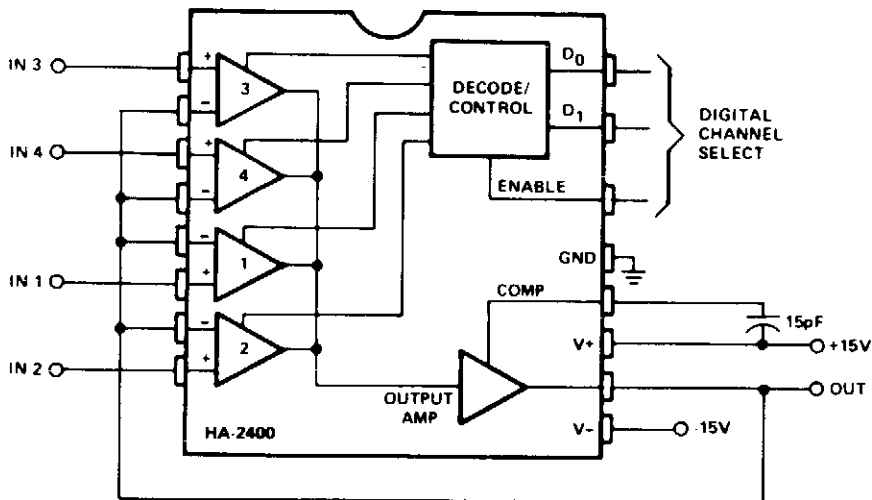
### THREE-CHANNEL MULTIPLEXER WITH SAMPLE-AND-HOLD



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Fig. 63-6

### ANALOG MULTIPLEXER WITH BUFFERED INPUT AND OUTPUT



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Fig. 63-7

## **ANALOG MULTIPLEXER WITH BUFFERED INPUT AND OUTPUT (Cont.)**

This circuit is used for analog signal selection or time division multiplexing. As shown, the feedback signal places the selected amplifier channel in a voltage follower (noninverting unity gain) configuration, and provides very high input impedance and low output impedance. The single package replaces four input buffer amplifiers, four analog switches with decoding, and one output buffer amplifier. For low-level input signals, gain can be added to one or more channels by connecting the (-) inputs to a voltage divider between output and ground. The bandwidth is approximately 8 MHz, and the output will slew from one level to another at about 15.0 V per  $\mu\text{s}$ .

Expansion to multiplex 5 to 12 channels can be accomplished by connecting the compensation pins of two or three devices together, and using the output of only one of the devices. The enable input on the unselected devices must be low.

Expansion to 16 or more channels is accomplished easily by connecting outputs of four 4-channel multiplexers to the inputs of another 4-channel multiplexer. Differential signals can be handled by two identical multiplexers addressed in parallel. Inverting amplifier configurations can also be used, but the feedback resistors might cause crosstalk from the output to unselected inputs.

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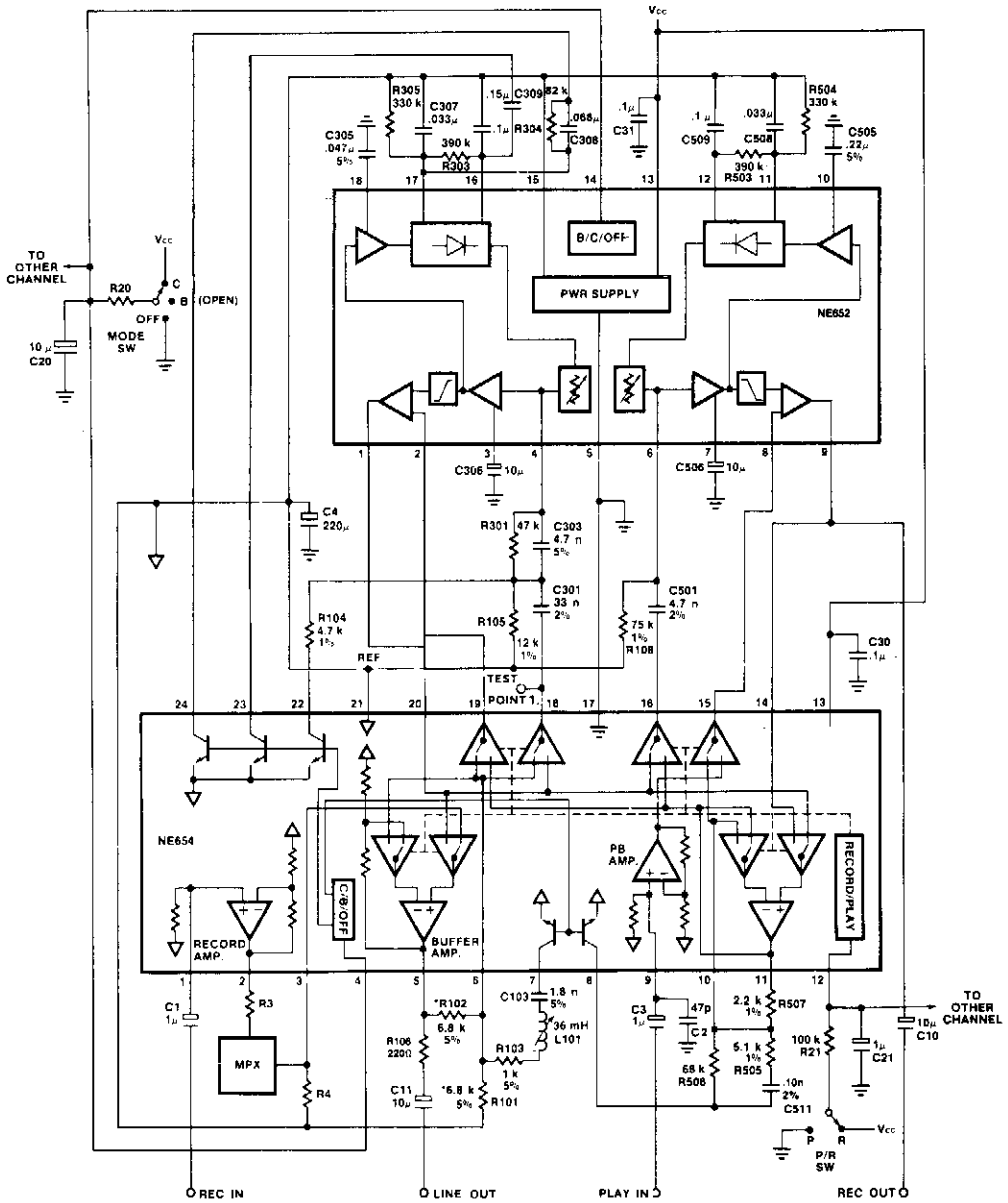
## Noise Reduction Circuits

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Dolby B/C Noise Reduction System  
Dolby B Noise Reduction Circuit in Encode Mode  
Dolby B Noise Reduction Circuit in Decode Code

## DOLBY B/C NOISE REDUCTION SYSTEM



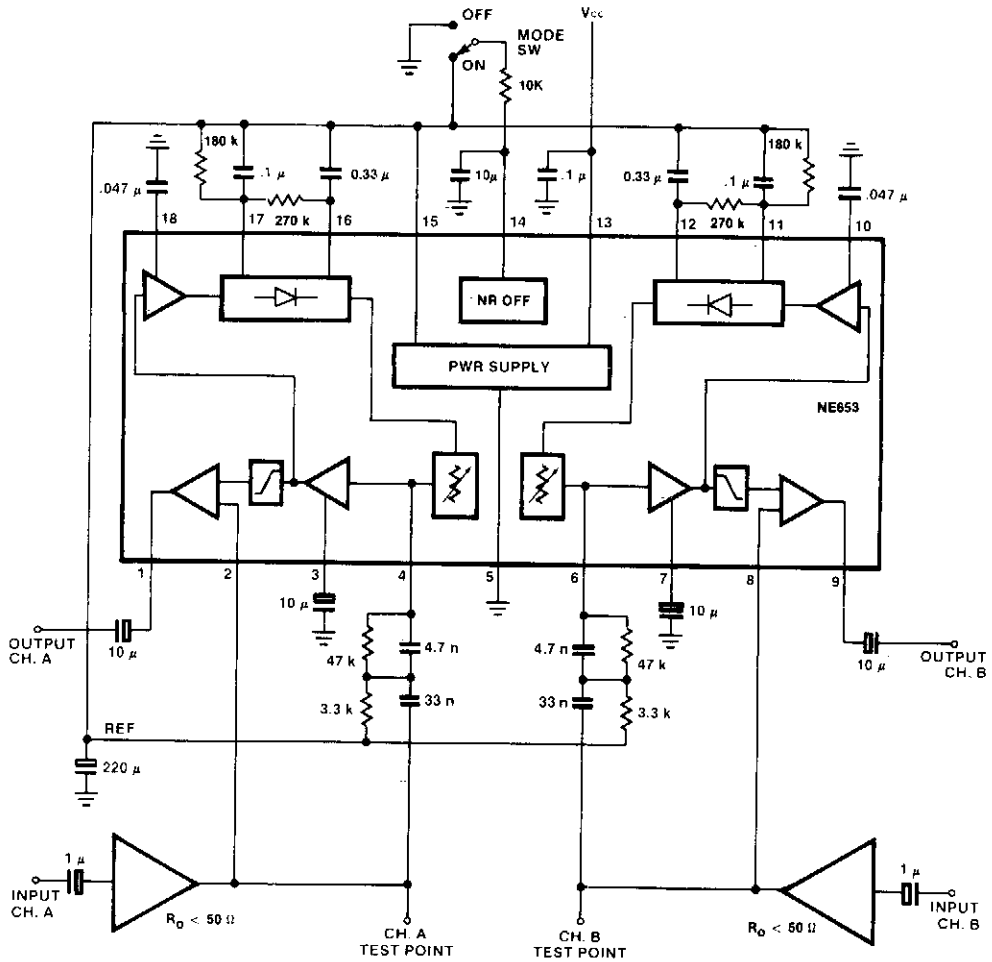
**NOTES:**

1. \*Line output programming resistors.
2. Split supply operation and coupling capacitors are optional.
3. Time constant for mode switch is optional.
4. Applications info is for reference only. Final design configuration/values are found in relevant Dolby Labs Bulletins and Licensee manuals.
5. R20 value is equal to 6.8KΩ divided by "N" where "N" equals the number of switched channels.
6. R106 is recommended for large capacitive loads on line out.
7. Switches shown in REC position.

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**Fig. 64-1**

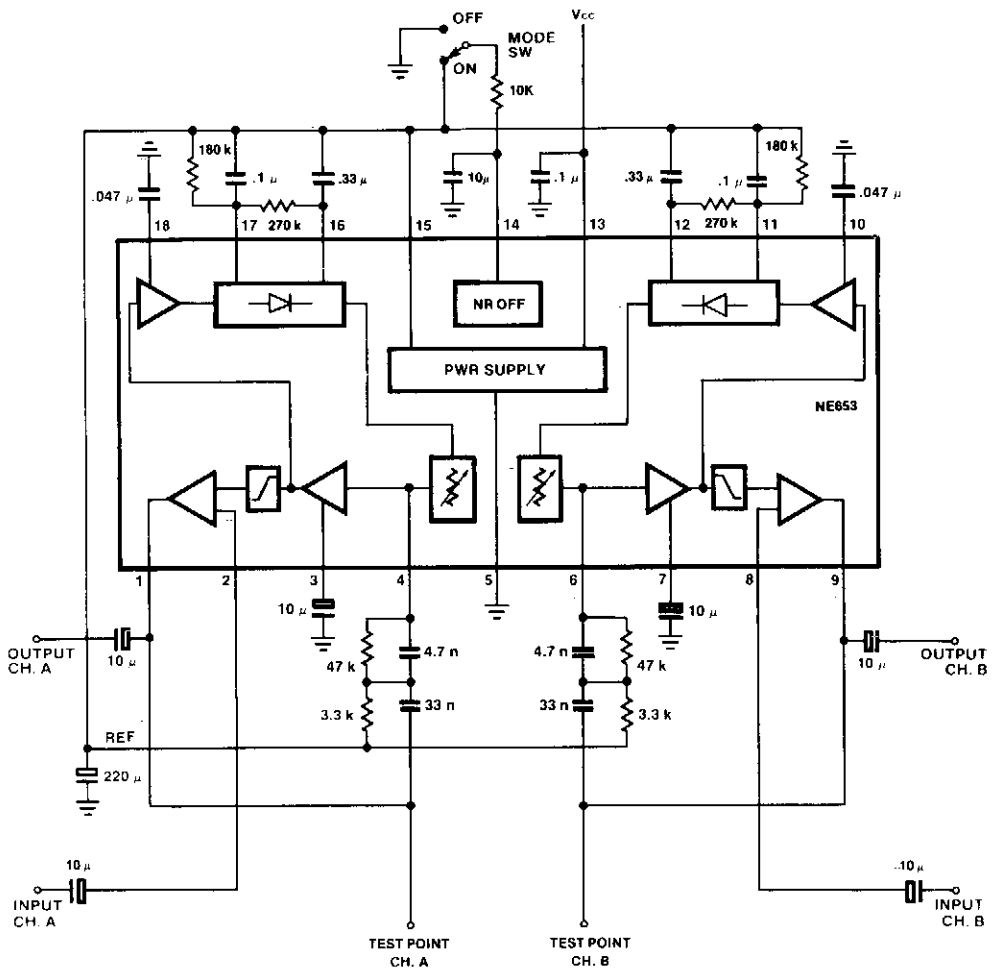
## DOLBY B NOISE REDUCTION CIRCUIT IN ENCODE MODE



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Fig. 64-2

## DOLBY B NOISE REDUCTION CIRCUIT IN DECODE MODE



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Fig. 64-3

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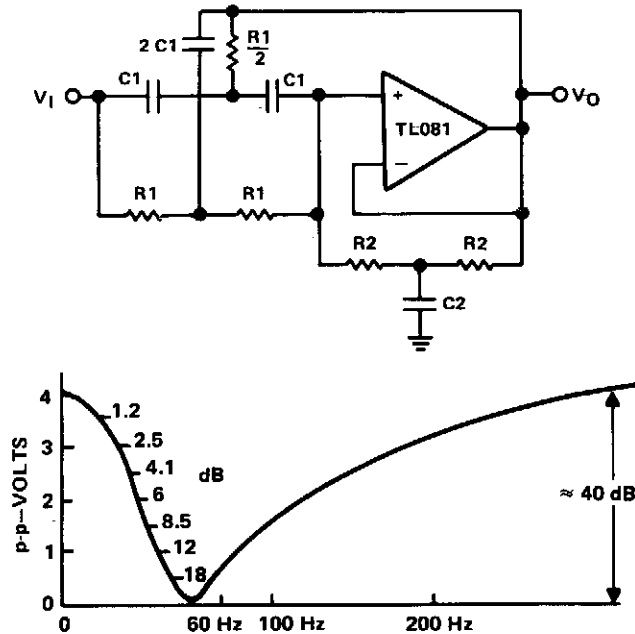
## Notch Filters

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Twin-T Notch Filter  
High- $Q$  Notch Filter

## TWIN-T NOTCH FILTER



**60-Hz Twin-T Notch Filter Response**

**Fig. 65-1**

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This filter is used to reject or block a frequency or band of frequencies. These filters are often designed into audio and instrumentation systems to eliminate a single frequency, such as 60 Hz. Commercial grade components with 5% - 10% tolerance produce a null depth of at least 30 to 40 dB. When a twin-T network is combined with a TL081 op amp in a circuit, an active filter can be implemented. The added resistor capacitor network, R2 and C2, work effectively in parallel with the original twin-T network, on the input of the filter. These networks set the  $Q$  of the filter. The op amp is basically connected as a unity-gain voltage follower. The  $Q$  is found from:

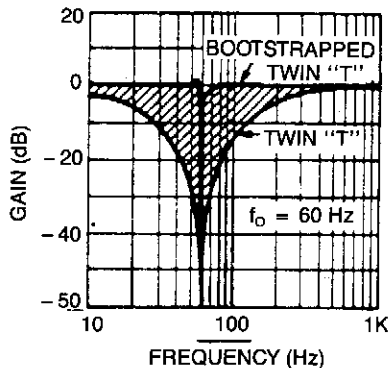
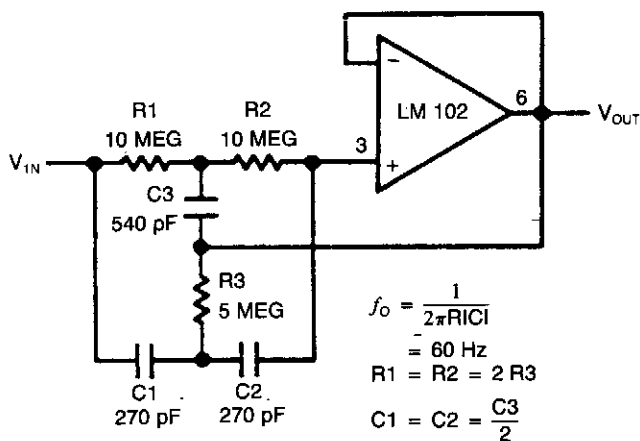
$$Q = \frac{R_2}{2R_1} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

For a 60-Hz notch filter with a  $Q$  of 5, it is usually best to pick the C1 capacitor value and calculate the resistor R1. Let C1 = 0.22  $\mu$ F. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= 12 \text{ K}\Omega \\ R_2 &= 120 \text{ K}\Omega \\ C_2 &= 0.047 \text{ }\mu\text{F} \end{aligned}$$

Standard 5% resistors and 10% capacitors produce a notch depth of about 40 dB, as shown in the frequency response curve.

## HIGH-Q NOTCH FILTER



Response of High and Low Q Notch Filter

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**Fig. 65-2**

This circuit shows a twin-T network connected to an LM102 to form a high- $Q$ , 60-Hz notch filter. The junction of R3 and C3 which is normally connected to ground, is bootstrapped to the output of the follower. Because the output of the follower is a very low impedance, neither the depth nor the frequency of the notch change; however, the  $Q$  is raised in proportion to the amount of signal fed back to R3 and C3. Shown is the response of a normal twin-T and the response with the follower added.

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# **Operational Amplifiers**

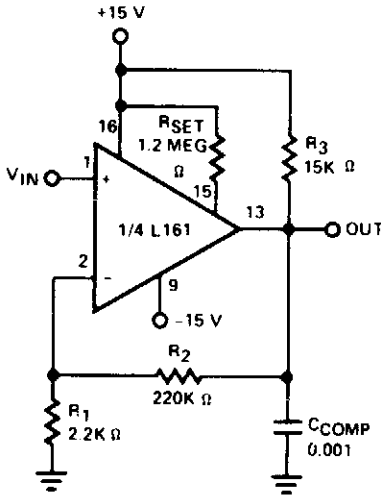
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Operational Amplifiers

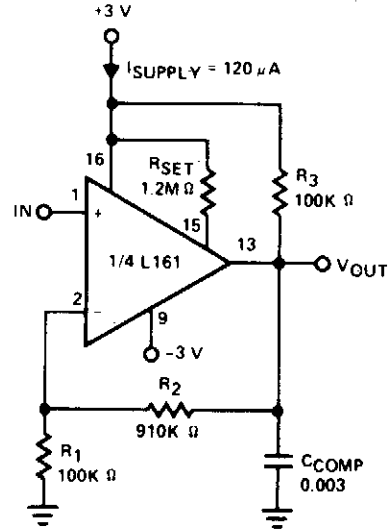


## OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS



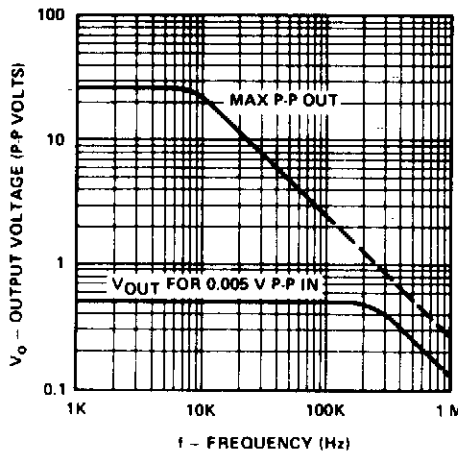
The L161 as a X100 Operational Amplifier

(A)



A Micropower X10 Op Amp

(B)



Frequency Response and Maximum Output  
for the X100 Op Amp

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Fig. 66-1

This is a single gain-of-100 amplifier with a gain-bandwidth product of 20 MHz! The primary limitation in the performance is the low slew rate ( $0.3 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ ) imposed by  $I_{OH}$  charging  $C_{COMP}$ . The effects of slew rate and compensation are shown. A lower gain amplifier requires a larger  $C_{COMP}$ , which in turn further reduces slew rate. For this reason, it might actually be advantageous in certain areas to lower the gain by placing a resistive divider at the input rather than raising  $R_f$ . Figure 66-1B shows a  $700\text{-}\mu\text{W}$ , X10 op amp whose slew rate is  $0.02 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$  and is 3 dB down at 100 kHz.

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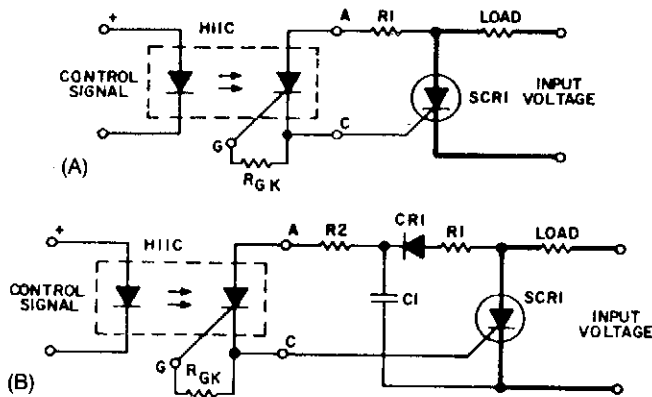
## Optically-Coupled Circuits

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| High-Voltage Ac Switcher                                | Optical CMOS Coupler   |
| Solid-State Zero-Voltage Switchers (ZVS)                | Line-Current Detector  |
| Triggering SCR Series                                   | Line-Operated Power Outage Light                                       |
| Normally Closed Half-Wave ZVS Contact Circuit           | Optical TTL Coupler  |
| Normally Open and Normally Closed Dc Solid-State Relays | Zero-Voltage Switching, Solid-State Relay with Antiparallel SCR Output |
| Indicator Lamp Driver                                   | Dc Latching Relay  |
| Ambient-Light-Ignoring Optical Sensor                   | Ac Relay   |
|   | Photodiode Source Follower   |

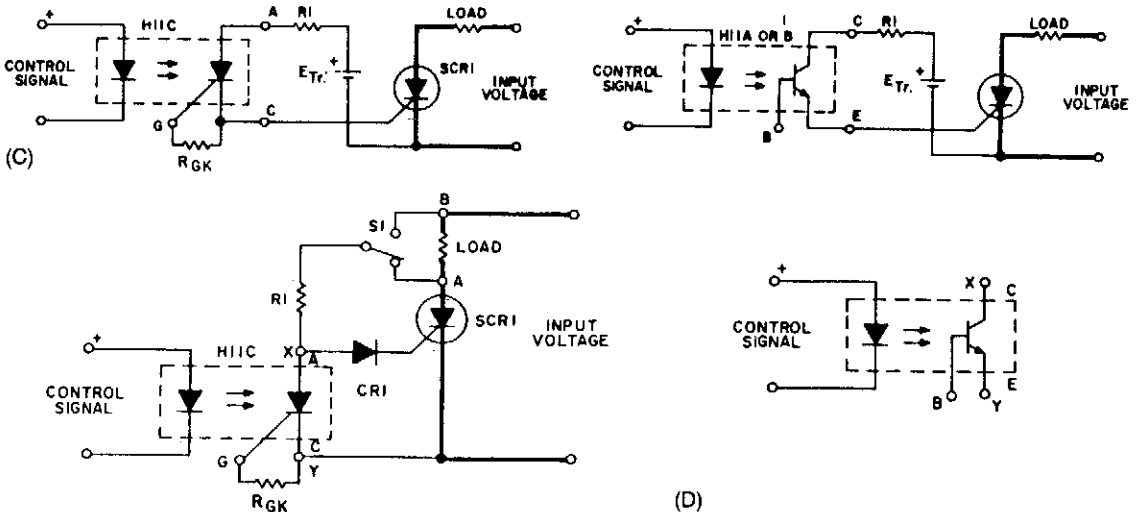
## HIGH-VOLTAGE AC SWITCHER



A basic circuit to trigger an SCR is shown in Fig. 67-1A. This circuit has the disadvantage that the blocking voltage of the photon-coupler output device determines the circuit-blocking voltage, irrespective of higher main SCR capability.

Adding capacitor C1 to the circuit, as shown in Fig. 67-1B, will reduce the  $dV/dt$  seen by the photon-coupler output device. The energy stored in C1, when discharged into the gate of SCR1, will improve the  $di/dt$  capability of the main SCR.

Using a separate power supply for the coupler adds flexibility to the trigger circuit; it removes the limitation of the blocking voltage capability of the photon-coupler output device. The flexibility adds cost and more than one power supply might be necessary for multiple SCRs if no common reference points are available.



Photon Coupler With SCR - Output

Photon Coupler With Transistor Output  
(connect in place of SCR coupler)

## HIGH-VOLTAGE AC SWITCHER (Cont.)

In Fig. 67-1C, R1 can be connected to Point A, which will remove the voltage from the coupler after SCR1 is triggered, or to Point B so that the coupler output will always be biased by input voltage. The former is preferred since it decreases the power dissipation in R1. A more practical form of SCR triggering is shown in Fig. 67-1F. Trigger energy is obtained from the anode supply and stored in C1. Coupler voltage is limited by the zener voltage. This approach permits switching of higher voltages than the blocking voltage capability of the output device of the photon coupler. To reduce the power losses in R1 and to obtain shorter time constants for charging C1, the zener diode is used instead of a resistor.

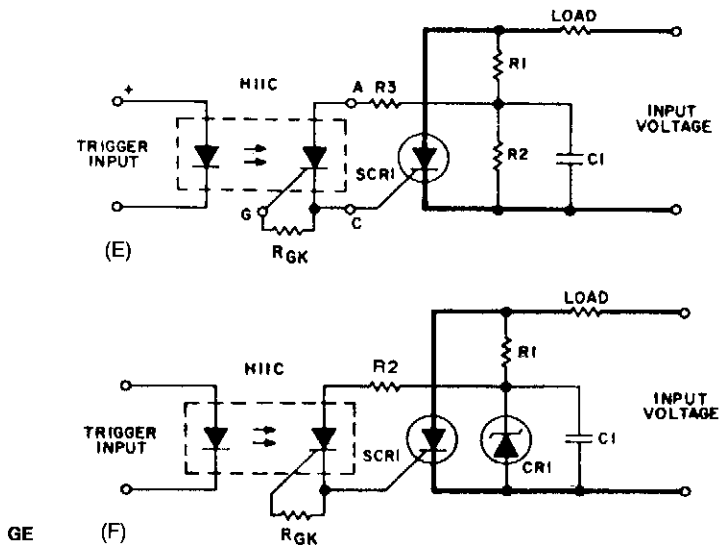


Fig. 67-1

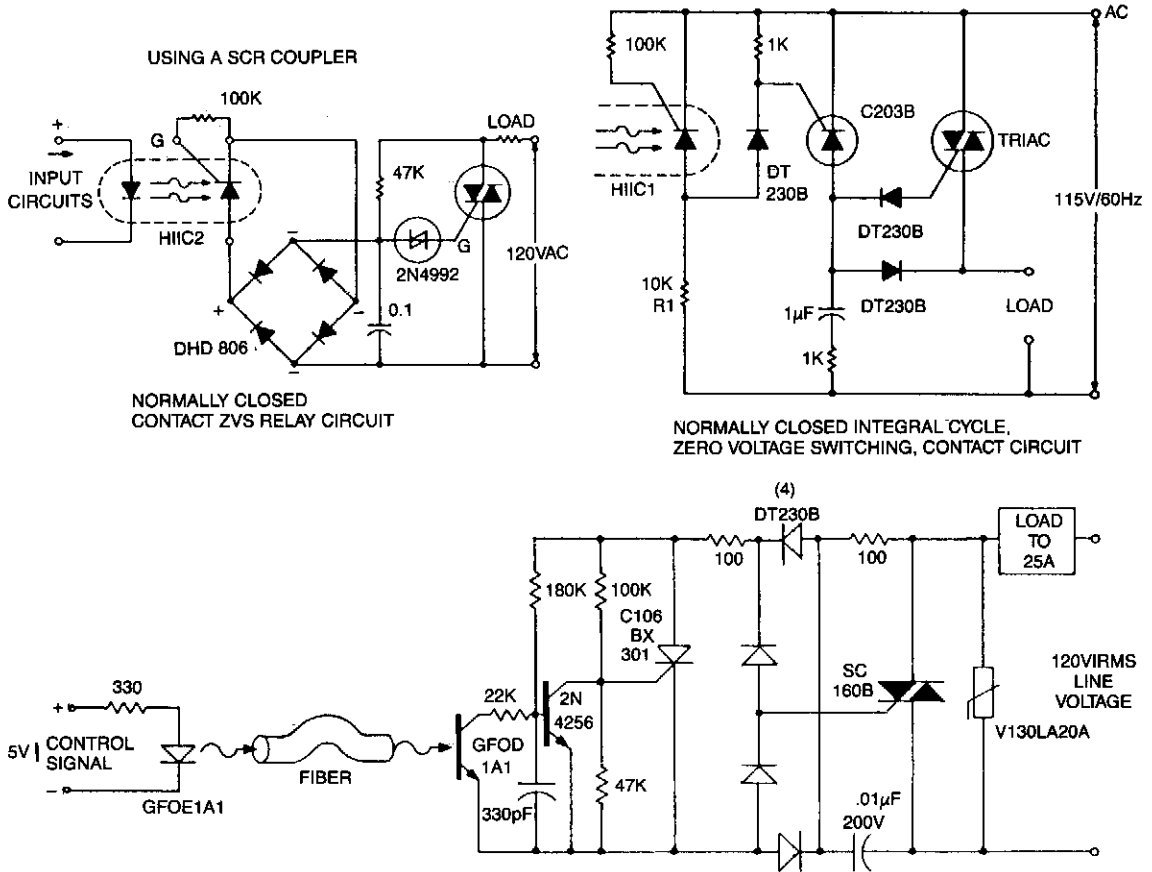
A guide for selecting the component values would consist of the following steps:

- Choose C1 in a range of 0.05 to 1  $\mu$ F. The maximum value might be limited by the recharging time constant  $(R_L + R_1) C_1$  while the minimum value will be set by the minimum pulse width required to ensure SCR latching.
- R2 is determined from peak gate current limits, if applicable, and minimum pulse width requirements.
- Select a zener diode. A 25-V zener is a practical value, since this will meet the usual gate requirement of 20 V and 20  $\Omega$ . This diode will also eliminate spurious triggering because of voltage transients.
- Photon coupler triggering is ideal for the SCR's driving inductive loads. By ensuring that the LASCR latches on, it can supply gate current to SCR1 until it stays on.
- Component values for dc voltage are easily computed from the following formulae:

$$R_1 = \frac{E_{IN} - V_Z}{I_G}$$

where:  $V$  = zener voltage  
 $P_{(R1)} = I_G \cdot (E_{IN} - V_Z)$   
 $P_{(ZENER)} = I_G \cdot V_Z$

## SOLID-STATE ZERO-VOLTAGE SWITCHING (ZVS) CIRCUITS



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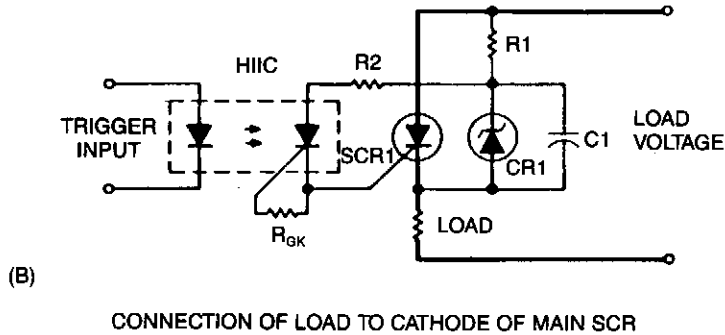
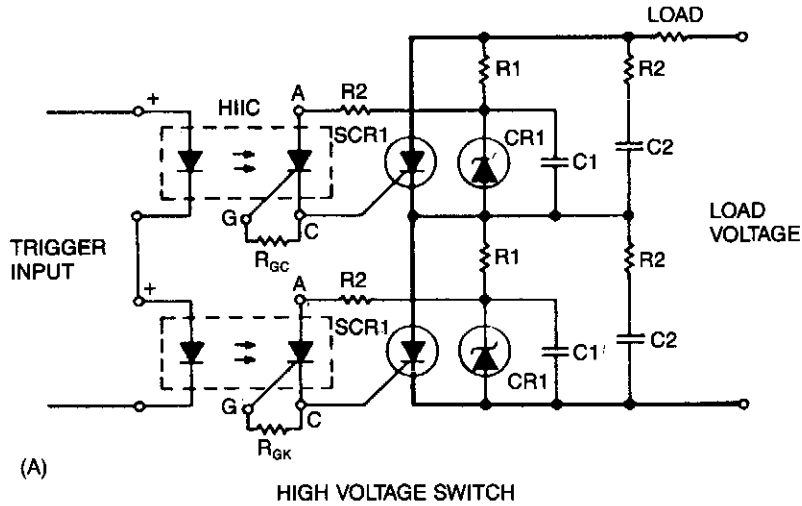
25A FIBER OPTIC ZVS AC SOLID STATE RELAY

Fig. 67-2

This circuit is effective for lamp and heater loads. Some circuits driving reactive loads require integral cycling and zero-voltage switching—when an identical number of positive and negative half cycles of voltage are applied to the load during a power period. The circuit, although not strictly a relay because of the three-terminal power connection, performs the integral cycle ZVS function when interfaced with the previous coil circuits.

Fiber optics offers advantages in power control systems. Electrical signals do not flow along the non-conducting fiber, minimizing shock hazard to both operator and equipment. EMI/RFI pick up on the fiber is nonexistent—although high gain receiver circuits might require shielding, eliminating noise pick-up errors caused by sources along the cable route. Both ac and dc power systems can be controlled by fiber optics using techniques similar to the optoisolator solid-state relay. Triac triggering is accomplished through the C106BX301, a low gate trigger current SCR, switching line voltage derived current to the triac gate via the full-wave rectifier bridge. The primary difference between fiber optics solid-state relay circuits and optoisolator circuits is the gain; photo currents are much smaller.

## TRIGGERING SCR SERIES

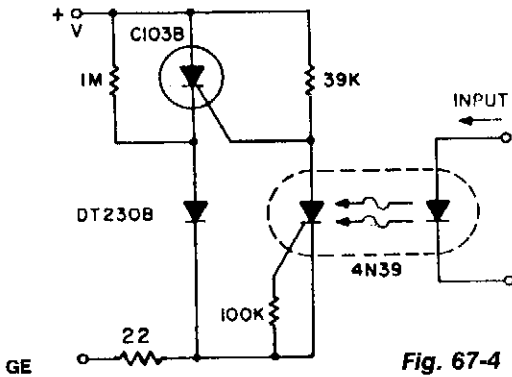


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**Fig. 67-3**

Snubber circuit R2C2, as shown, might be necessary since R1 and C1 are tailored for optimized triggering and not for  $dV/dt$  protection. Fiber-optic pairs can be used with discrete SCRs to switch thousands of volts. A photon coupler with a transistor output will limit the trigger-pulse amplitude and rise time because of CTR and saturation effects. Using the H11C1, the rise time of the input pulse to the photon coupler is not critical, and its amplitude is limited only by the H11C1 turn-on sensitivity. The load can also be connected to the cathode as illustrated in Fig. 67-3B.

## NORMALLY CLOSED HALF-WAVE ZVS CONTACT CIRCUIT



A normally closed contact circuit that provides zero-voltage switching is designed around the 4N39 SCR optocoupler. The circuit illustrates the method of modifying the normally open contact circuit by using the photo SCR to hold off the trigger SCR.

Fig. 67-4

## NORMALLY OPEN AND NORMALLY CLOSED DC SOLID-STATE RELAYS

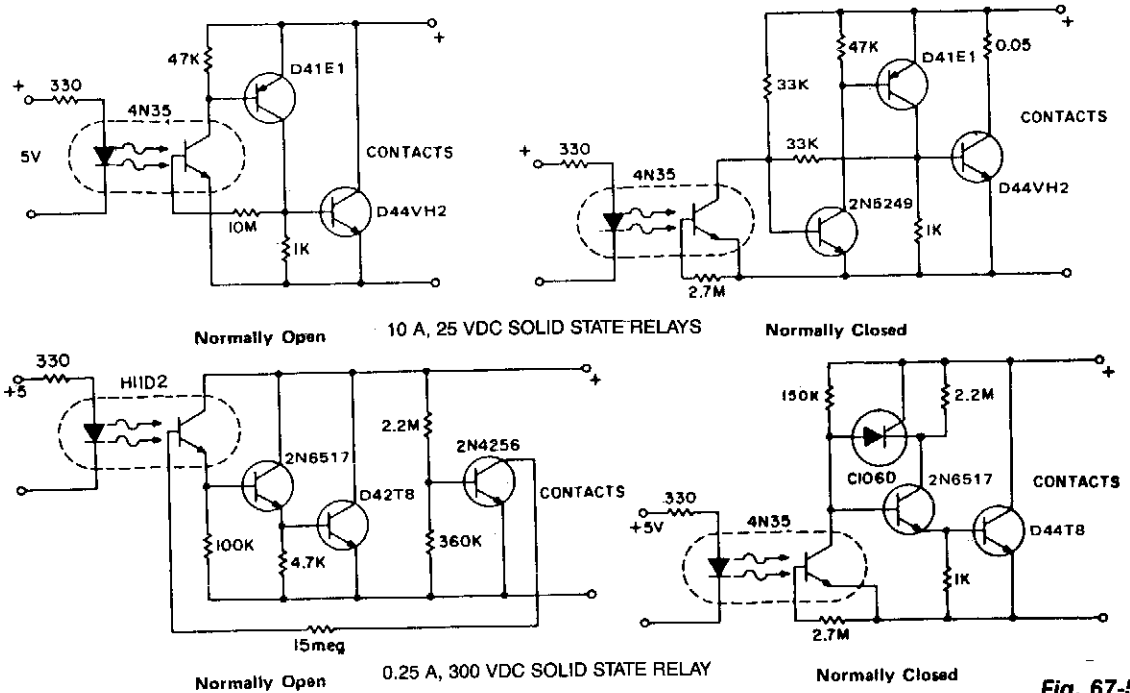
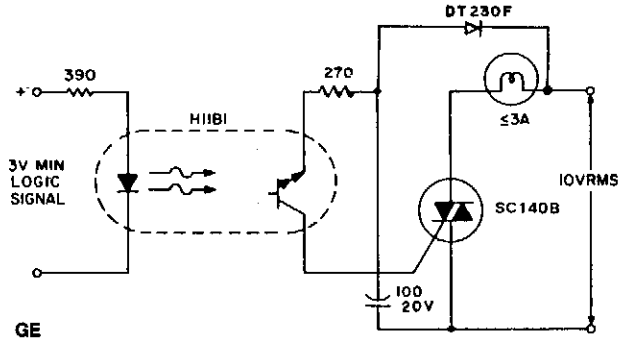


Fig. 67-5

The phototransistor and photodarlington couplers act as dc relays in saturated switching at currents up to 5 mA and 50 mA, respectively. When higher currents or higher voltage capabilities are required, additional devices are required to buffer or amplify the photocoupler output. The addition of hysteresis to provide fast switching and stable pick-up and drop-out points can be easily implemented simultaneously. These circuits provide several approaches to implement the dc relay function and serve as practical, cost-effective examples.

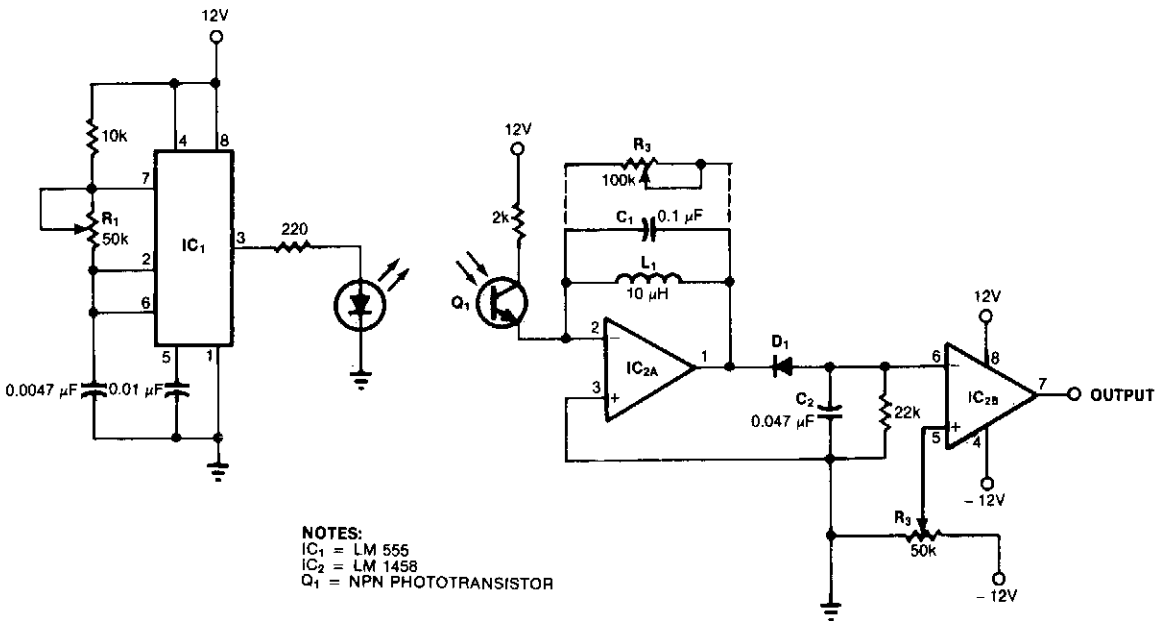
## INDICATOR LAMP DRIVER



**Fig. 67-6**

A simple solid-state relay circuit drives the 10-Vac telephone indicator lamps from logic circuitry, while maintaining complete isolation between the 10-V line and the logic circuit.

## AMBIENT-LIGHT-IGNORING OPTICAL SENSOR



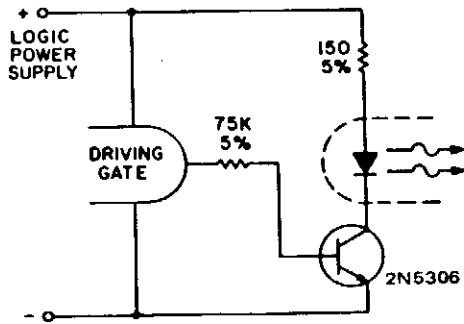
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**Fig. 67-7**

A resonance-tuned narrow-band amplifier reduces this optical object detector's sensitivity to stray light. C1 and L1 in IC2A's feedback loop cause the op amp to pass only those frequencies at or near the LED's 5-kHz modulation rate. IC2B's output increases when the received signal is sufficient to drop the negative voltage across C2 below the reference set by R2.



## OPTICAL CMOS COUPLER



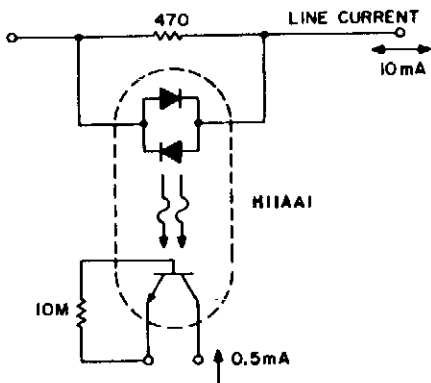
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Fig. 67-8

Since standard CMOS logic operates down to 3-V supply voltages and is specified as low as  $30 \mu\text{A}$  maximum current sinking/sourcing capability, it is necessary to use a buffer transistor to provide the

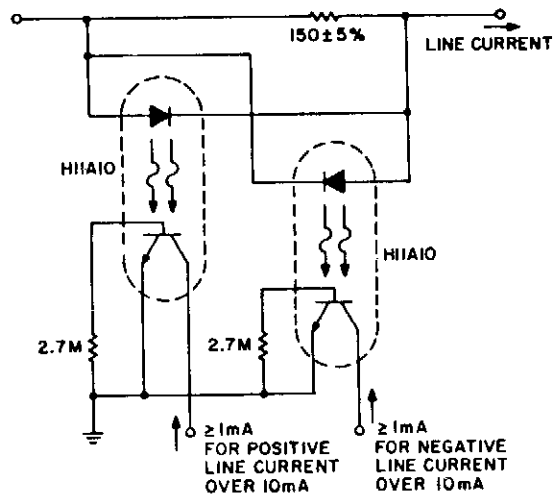
required current to the IRED if CMOS is to drive the optocoupler. As in the case of the low output TTL families, the H74A output can drive a multiplicity of CMOS gate inputs or a standard TTL input given the proper bias of the IRED. A one-logic stage drives the IRED on. This circuit will provide worst-case drive criteria to the IRED for logic supply voltages from 3 to 10 V, although lower power dissipation can be obtained by using higher value resistors for high supply voltages. If this is desired, the worst-case drive must be supplied to the IRED with minimum supply voltage, minimum temperature and maximum resistor tolerances, gate saturation resistance, and transistor saturation voltages applied. For the H74 devices, minimum IRED current at worst-case conditions, zero logic state output of the driving gate, is 6.5 mA and the H11L1 is 1.6 mA.

## LINE-CURRENT DETECTOR



POLARITY INSENSITIVE LINE CURRENT DETECTOR

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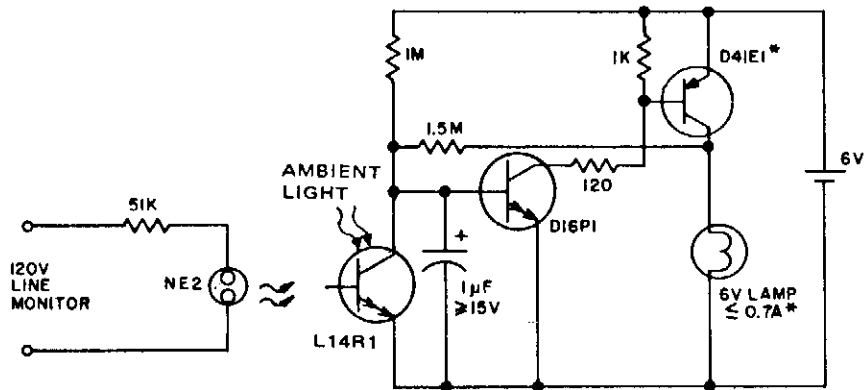
POLARITY INDICATING LINE CURRENT DETECTOR

Fig. 67-9

## LINE-CURRENT DETECTOR (Cont.)

Detection of line-current flow and indicating the flow to an electrically remote point is required in line status monitoring at a variety of points in the telephone system and auxiliary systems. The line should be minimally unbalanced or loaded by the monitor circuit, and relatively high levels of 60-Hz induced voltages must be ignored. The H11AA1 allows line currents of either polarity to be sensed without discrimination and will ignore noise up to approximately 2.5 mA. In applications where greater noise immunity or polarity-sensitive line-current detection is required, the H11A10 threshold coupler can be used. This phototransistor coupler is specified to provide a minimum 10% current transfer ratio at a defined input current, while leaking less than 50  $\mu\text{A}$  at half that input current over the full  $-55^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+100^\circ\text{C}$  temperature range. The input current range, at which the coupler is on, is programmable by a single resistor from 5 to 10 mA.

## LINE-OPERATED POWER OUTAGE LIGHT

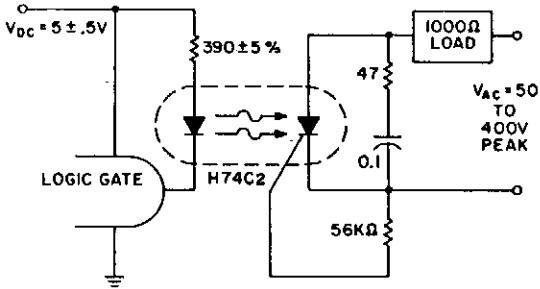


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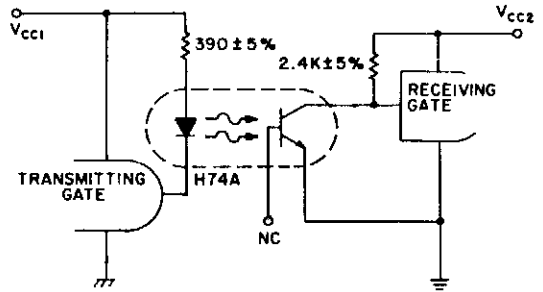
Fig. 67-10

This circuit provides emergency lighting during a power outage. The phototransistor should be positioned to maximize coupling of both neon light and ambient light into the pellet, without allowing self-illumination from the 6-V lamp. Many circuits of this type also use line voltage to charge the battery.

## OPTICAL TTL COUPLER



LOGIC TO POWER COUPLING H74C2 BIAS CIRCUIT



LOGIC TO LOGIC COUPLERS H74A1 BIAS CIRCUIT

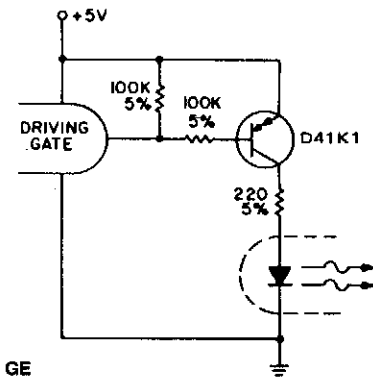


Fig. 67-11

IRED DRIVE FROM LOW POWER. MSI AND LSI TTL

For higher speed applications, up to 1-MHz NRZ, the Schmitt-trigger output H11L series optoisolator provides many features. The 1.6-mA drive current allows fan-in circuitry to drive the IRED, while the 5-V, 270-Ω sink capability and 100-ns transition times of the output add to the logic coupling flexibility.

## ZERO-VOLTAGE SWITCHING, SOLID-STATE RELAY WITH ANTIPARALLEL SCR OUTPUT

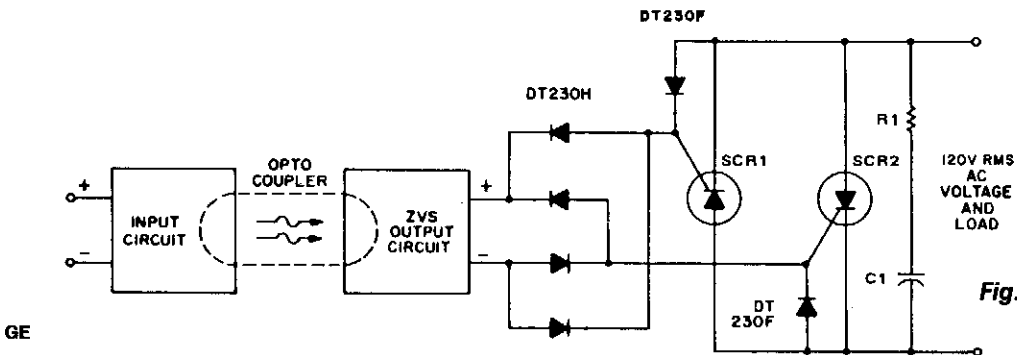
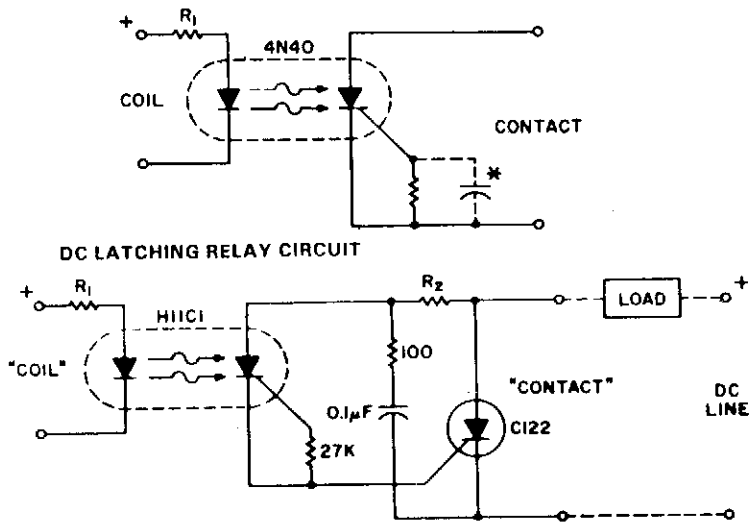


Fig. 67-12

A higher line voltage can be used if the diode, varistor, ZVS, and power thyristor settings are at compatible levels. For applications beyond triac current ratings, antiparallel SCRs might be triggered by the ZVS network.

## DC LATCHING RELAY



|              |     |      |      |      |     |          |
|--------------|-----|------|------|------|-----|----------|
| COIL VOLTAGE | 6   | 12   | 24   | 48   | 120 | V        |
| R1 VALUE     | 470 | 1.1K | 2.4K | 4.7K | 12K | $\Omega$ |

|              |     |     |    |      |          |
|--------------|-----|-----|----|------|----------|
| LINE VOLTAGE | 12  | 24  | 48 | 120  | V        |
| C122 PART    | U   | F   | A  | B    | D        |
| R2 VALUE     | 200 | 470 | 1K | 2.2K | $\Omega$ |

NO HEAT SINK RATINGS AT  $T_A \leq 50^\circ$

| I CONTACT, MAX. | PULSE WIDTH | DUTY CYCLE |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| 0.67 A          | D.C.        | 100%       |
| 4.0 A           | 160 msec.   | 12%        |
| 8.0 A           | 160 msec.   | 3%         |
| 12 A            | 160 msec.   | 1%         |
| 15 A            | 160 msec.   | 0.3%       |

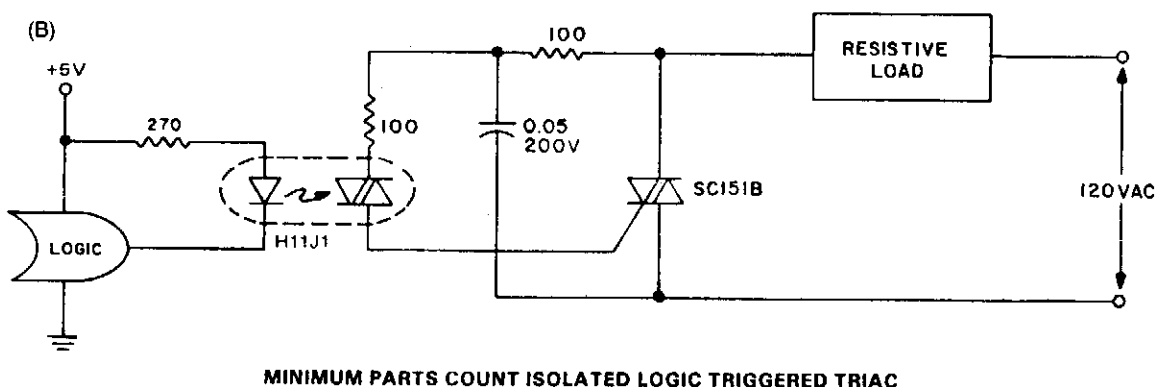
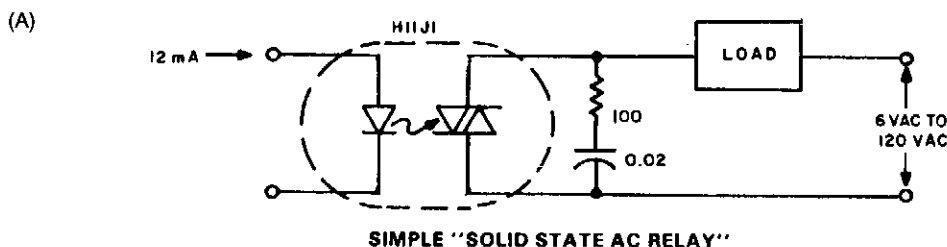
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**Fig. 67-13**

The H11C supplies the dc latching relay function and reverse polarity blocking, for currents up to 300 mA, depending on ambient temperature. For dc use, the gate cathode resistor can be supplemented by a capacitor to minimize transient and  $dV/dt$  sensitivity. For pulsating dc operation, the capacitor value must be designated to either retrigger the SCR at the application of the next pulse or prevent retriggering at the next power pulse. If not, random or undesired operation might occur. For higher current contacts, the H11C can be used to trigger an SCR capable of handling the current, as illustrated.

## AC RELAY



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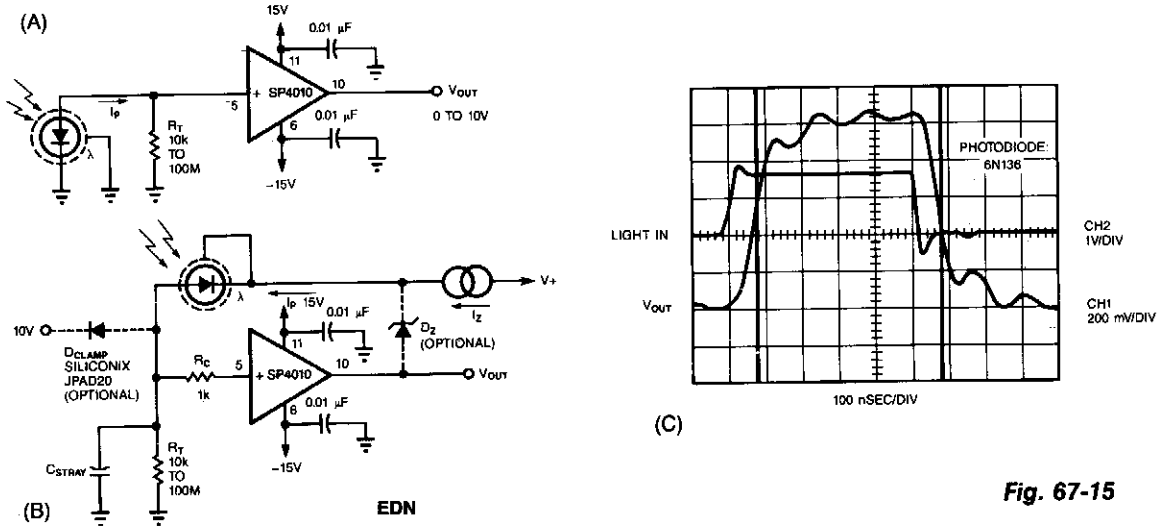
**Fig. 67-14**

When zero voltage switching is not required, methods of providing this function are illustrated. The lowest parts count version of a solid-state relay is an optoisolator, the triac driver H11J. Unfortunately, the ability of the H11J to drive a load on a 60-Hz line is severely limited by its power dissipation and the dynamic characteristics of the detector. These factors limit applications to 30–50 mA resistive loads on 120 Vac, and slightly higher values at lower voltages. These values are compatible with neon-lamp drive, pilot, and indicator incandescent bulbs; low voltage control circuits, such as furnace and bell circuits, if  $dV/dt$  are sufficient; but less than benign loads require a discrete triac.

The H11J1 triac trigger optocoupler potentially allows a simple power switching circuit utilizing only the triac, a resistor, and the optocoupler. This configuration will be sensitive to high values of  $dV/dt$  and noise on normal power-line voltages, leading to the need for the configuration shown in Fig. 67-14B, where the triac snubber acts as a filter for line voltage to the optocoupler.

Since the snubber is not usually used for resistive loads, the cost effectiveness of the circuit is compromised somewhat. Even with this disadvantage, the labor, board space, and inventory of parts savings of this circuit prove it cost-optimized for isolated logic control of power-line switching. In applications where transient voltages on the power line are prevalent, provisions should be made to protect the H11J1 from breakover triggering.

## PHOTODIODE SOURCE FOLLOWER



**Fig. 67-15**

A common method of transforming the output current of a photodiode into a voltage signal, paralleling the photodiode with a high-value load resistor, produces a nonlinear response. Also the combination of the load's transresistance,  $R_T$ , and the photodiode's junction capacitance,  $C_j$ , slows the circuit's response time. Figure 67-11B shows virtually the same components as Fig. 67-11A rearranged to maximize the inherent speed and linearity of the photodiode. The SP4010 (available from Hybrid Systems, Billerica, MA) is a unity voltage-gain buffer with a JFET input, 60-MHz 3-dB bandwidth, and 18-bit, 0.0004% linearity over a  $\pm 10$  V input range.

In the circuit of Fig. 67-11B, the photodiode sees a constant voltage across its terminals, which is essential for linear photodiode outputs. The optional zener diode,  $D_Z$ , sets a reverse bias at the photodiode for lower junction capacitance and higher speed. If you don't use  $D_Z$ , be sure to connect the feedback loop. An optional diode,  $D_{CLAMP}$ , limits the output in case of unexpected light bursts, but results in increased dark-current leakage and lower speed. The buffered output of the circuit equals the photodiode current times the transresistance,  $R_T$ . Figure 67-11C shows the circuit's response to a fast light pulse.

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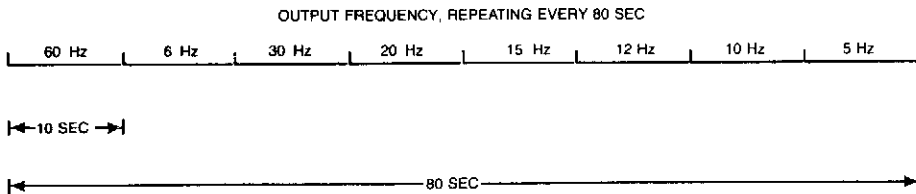
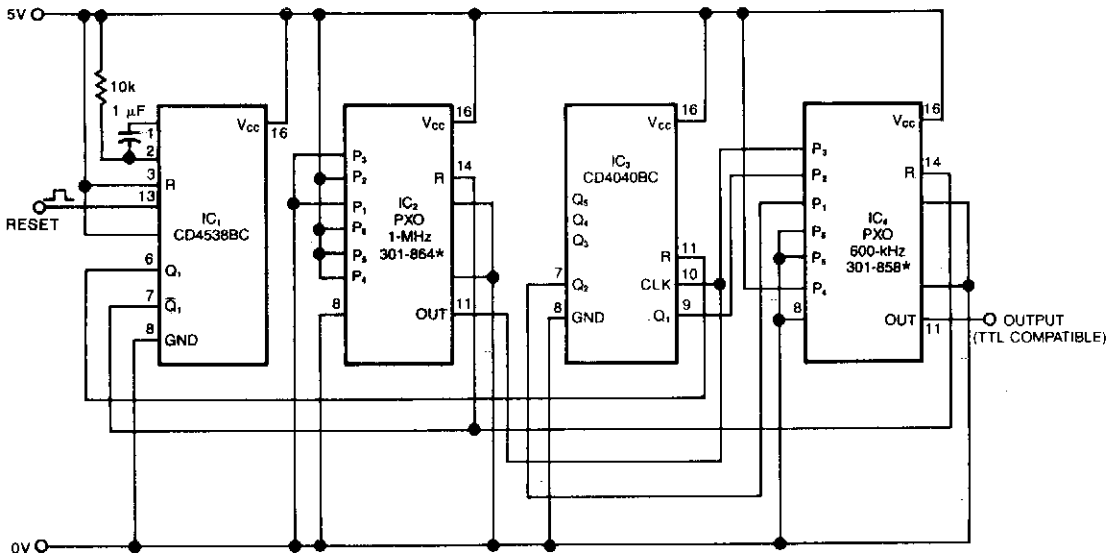
## Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
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| Discrete Sequence Oscillator                      | Audio Oscillator                           |
| Fixed-Frequency Variable<br>Duty-Cycle Oscillator | Low-Frequency Oscillator                   |
| RLC Oscillator                                    | Quadrature Oscillator                      |
| HC-Based Oscillators                              | Wien-Bridge Oscillator                     |
| Programmable-Frequency<br>Sine-Wave Oscillator    | CMOS Oscillator                            |
| Variable Wien-Bridge Oscillator                   | XOR-Gate Oscillator                        |
| Wide-Range Oscillator                             | SCR Relaxation Oscillator                  |
| HCV/HCT-Based Oscillator                          | CMOS Oscillator                            |
| 50% Duty-Cycle Oscillator                         | Code-Practice Oscillator                   |
| High-Frequency Oscillator                         | Precision Voltage-Controlled<br>Oscillator |
| Last-Cycle Completing Gated<br>Oscillator         | 5-V Oscillator                             |
|   | Low-Voltage Wien-Bridge<br>Oscillator      |

## DISCRETE SEQUENCE OSCILLATOR



\*INTERFACE QUARTZ DEVICES LTD, CREWKERNE, SOMERSET, UK

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**Fig. 68-1**

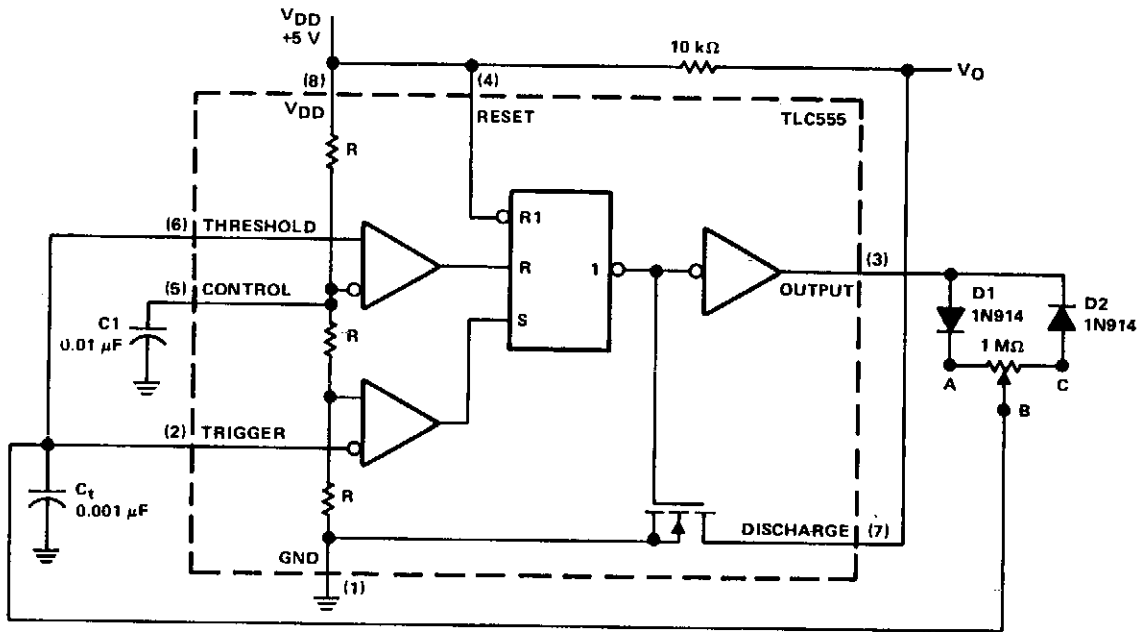
The swept-frequency oscillator offers an inexpensive source of discrete frequencies for use in testing digital circuits. In this configuration, the circuit generates an 80-second sequence of eight frequencies, dwelling for 10 seconds on each frequency. You can change the dwell time or the number of frequencies. Frequencies can range from 0.005 Hz to 1 MHz.

The programmable crystal oscillators, PXOs, IC2 and IC4 can each generate 57 frequencies in response to an 8-bit external code. IC2 contains a 1-MHz crystal and produces a 0.05-Hz output. IC4 contains a 600-kHz crystal; its output changes in response to the combined outputs of the 12-stage binary counter IC3 (Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub>) and the PXO IC2.

To generate more frequencies, you can use one or more of IC3's outputs, (Q<sub>3</sub>, Q<sub>4</sub>, Q<sub>5</sub>) to drive one or more of IC4's inputs (P<sub>4</sub>, P<sub>5</sub>, P<sub>6</sub>). Similarly, you can rewire IC2 or drive it with other logic to control the duration of each frequency. IC1, a monostable multivibrator, provides a system reset. It initiates the sequence shown, beginning at 60 Hz, in response to a positive pulse.



## FIXED-FREQUENCY VARIABLE DUTY-CYCLE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 68-2

In a basic astable timer, configuration timing periods  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are not controlled independently. The lack of control makes it difficult to maintain a constant period,  $T$ , if either  $t_1$  or  $t_2$  is varied. In this circuit, charge  $R_{AB}$  and discharge  $R_{BC}$  resistances are determined by the position of common wiper arm B of the potentiometer. So, it is possible to adjust the duty-cycle by adjusting  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  proportionately, without changing period  $T$ .

At start-up, the voltage across  $C_t$  is less than the trigger level voltage ( $1/2 V_{DD}$ ), causing the timer to be triggered via pin 2. The output of the timer at pin 3 increases, turning off the discharge transistor at pin 7 and allowing  $C_t$  to charge through diode  $D_1$  and resistance  $R_{AB}$ . When capacitor  $C_t$  charges to upper threshold voltage  $2/3 V_{DD}$ , the flip-flop is reset and the output at pin 3 decreases. Capacitor  $C_t$  then discharges through diode  $D_2$  and resistor  $R_{BC}$ . When the voltage at pin 2 reaches  $1/3 V_{DD}$ , the lower threshold or trigger level, the timer triggers again and the cycle is repeated. In this circuit, the oscillator frequency remains fixed and the duty cycle is adjustable from less than 0.5% to greater than 99.5%.

## RLC OSCILLATOR

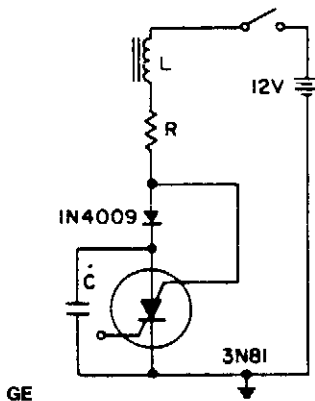
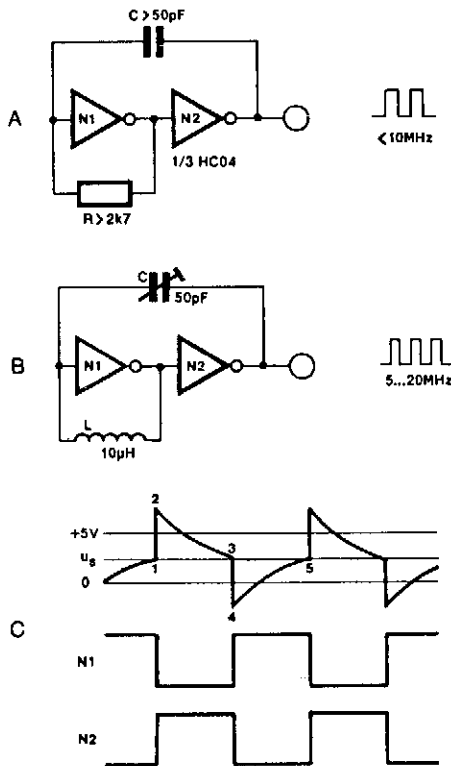


Fig. 68-3

A positive transient, such as the power switch closing, charges C through L to a voltage above the supply voltage, if  $Q$  is sufficient. When the current reverses, the diode blocks and triggers the SCS. As the capacitor discharges, the anode gate approaches ground potential, depriving the anode of holding current. This turns off the SCS, and C charges to repeat the cycle.

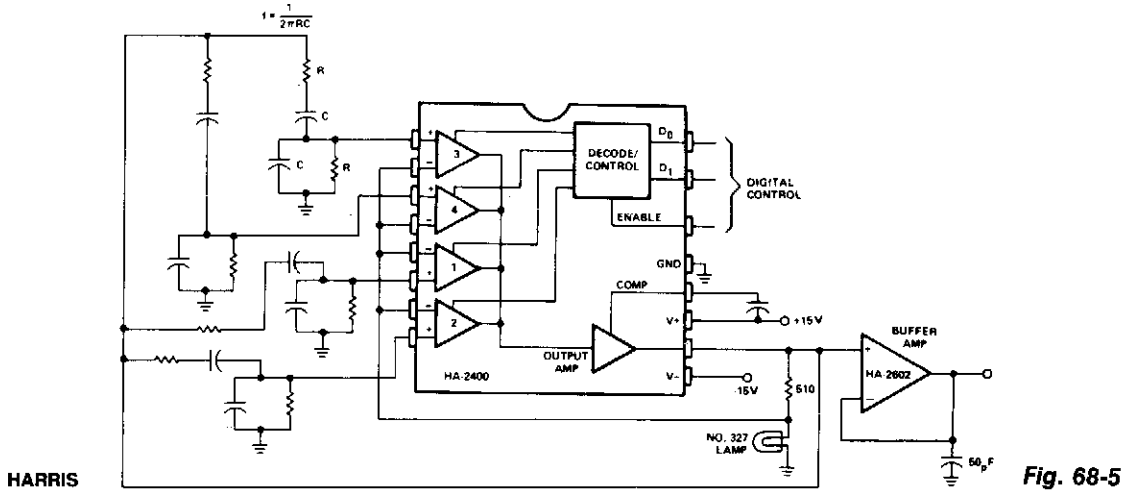
## HC-BASED OSCILLATORS



Two inverters, one resistor, and one capacitor are all that is required to make a HC(T)-based oscillator that gives reliable operation up to about 10 MHz. The use of two HC inverters produces a fairly symmetrical rectangular output signal. In the same circuit, HCT inverters give a duty factor of about 25%, rather than about 50%, since the toggle point of an HC and an HCT inverter is  $1/2 V_{CC}$ , and slightly less than 2 V, respectively. If the oscillator is to operate above 10 MHz, the resistor is replaced with a small inductor, as shown in Fig. 68-4B.

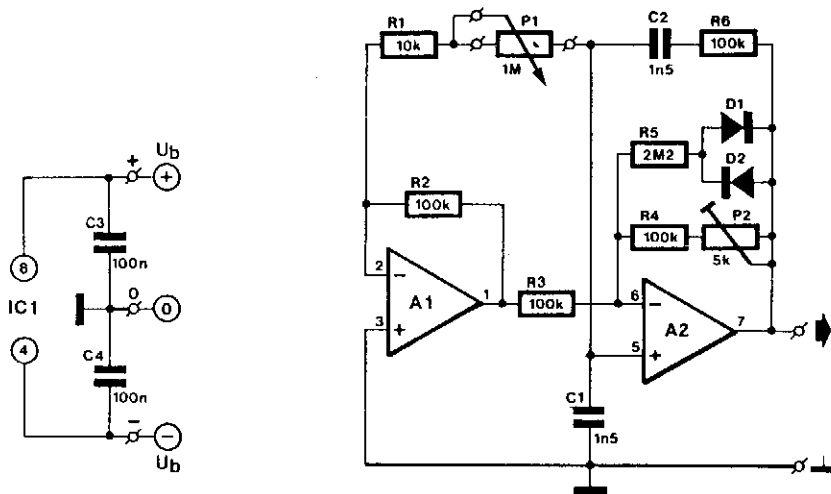
The output frequency of the circuit in Fig. 68-4A is given as about  $1/1.8rc$ , and can be made variable by connecting a 100-K $\Omega$  potentiometer in series with R. The solution adopted for the oscillator in Fig. 68-4B is even simpler: C is a 50-pF trimmer capacitor.

## PROGRAMMABLE-FREQUENCY SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



This Wien-bridge oscillator is very popular for signal generators, since it is easily turned over a wide frequency range, and has a very low distortion sine-wave output. The frequency determining networks can be designed from about 10 Hz to greater than 1 MHz; the output level is about 6.0-V rms. By substituting a programmable attenuator for the buffer amplifier, a very versatile sine-wave source for automatic testing, etc. can be constructed.

## VARIABLE WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR



D1, D2 = 1N4148

A1, A2 = IC1 = TLC272, TL072, OP-221 87441

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Fig. 68-6

## VARIABLE WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR (Cont.)

A Wien-bridge oscillator can be made variable by using two frequency-determining parts that are varied simultaneously at high tracking accuracy. High-quality tracking potentiometers or variable capacitors are, however, expensive and difficult to obtain. To avoid having to use such a component, this oscillator was designed to operate with a single potentiometer. The output frequency,  $f_o$ , is calculated from:

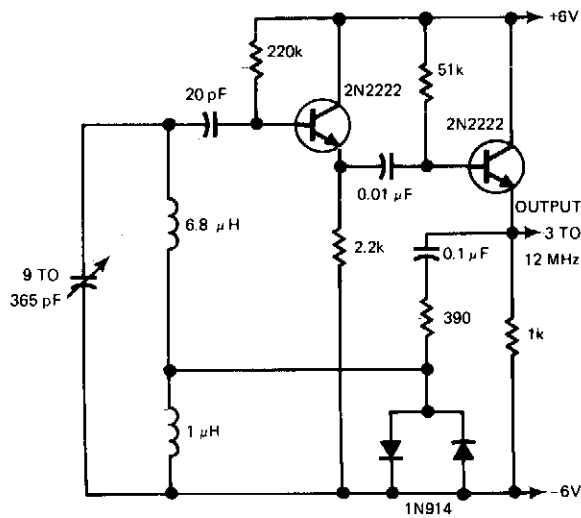
$$f_o = 1/(2nRC \nu a)$$

where:

$$R = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = R_6, \quad C = C_1 = C_2, \quad \text{and} \quad a = (P_1 + R_1)R$$

With preset P2 you can adjust the overall amplification so that the output-signal has a reasonably stable amplitude,  $3.5 V_{PP}$  max., over the entire frequency range. The stated components allow the frequency to be adjusted between 350 Hz and 3.5 kHz.

## WIDE-RANGE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 68-7

The gain control allows the oscillator to maintain essentially constant output over its range. The circuit functions over 160 kHz to 12 MHz with essentially constant amplitude.

## HCU/HCT-BASED OSCILLATOR

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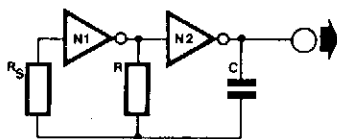


Fig. 68-8

N1, N2 = 1/3 IC1 = 74HCT04, 74HCU04

When frequency stability is not of prime importance, a simple, yet reliable, digital clock oscillator can be made with the aid of relatively few components. High-speed CMOS (HCU/HCT) inverters or gates with an inverter function are eminently suitable to make such oscillators, thanks to their low power consumption, good output signal definition, and extensive frequency range.

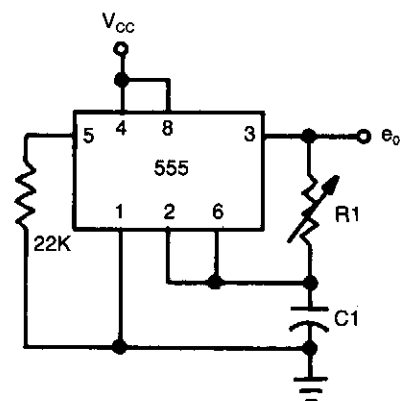
The circuit as shown uses two inverters in a 74HCT04 or 74HCU04. The basic design equations are:

$$\text{For HCU: } f=1/T; \quad T=2.2 RC; \quad V_{CC} \ 6 \text{ V}; \quad I_c=13 \text{ mA}$$

$$\text{For HCT: } f=1/T; \quad T=2.4 RC; \quad V_{CC} \ 5.5 \text{ V}; \quad I_c=2.2 \text{ mA}$$

With  $R_s$  and  $R$  calculated for a given frequency and value of  $C$ , both resistors can be realized as pre-sets to enable precise setting of the output frequency and the duty factor. Do not forget, however, to fit small series resistors in series with the pre-sets, in observance of the minimum values for  $R$  and  $R_s$  as given in the design equations. The values quoted for  $I_c$  are only valid if the inputs of the remaining gates are grounded.

## 50% DUTY-CYCLE OSCILLATOR

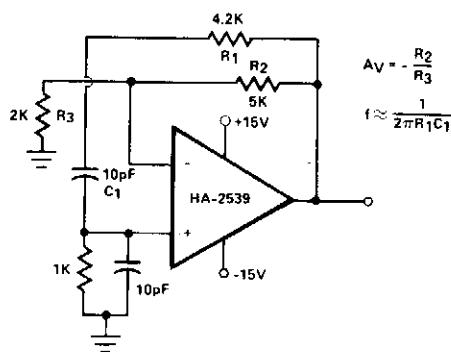


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Fig. 68-9

Frequency of oscillation depends on the  $R1/C1$  time constant and allows frequency adjustment by varying  $R1$ .

## HIGH-FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR

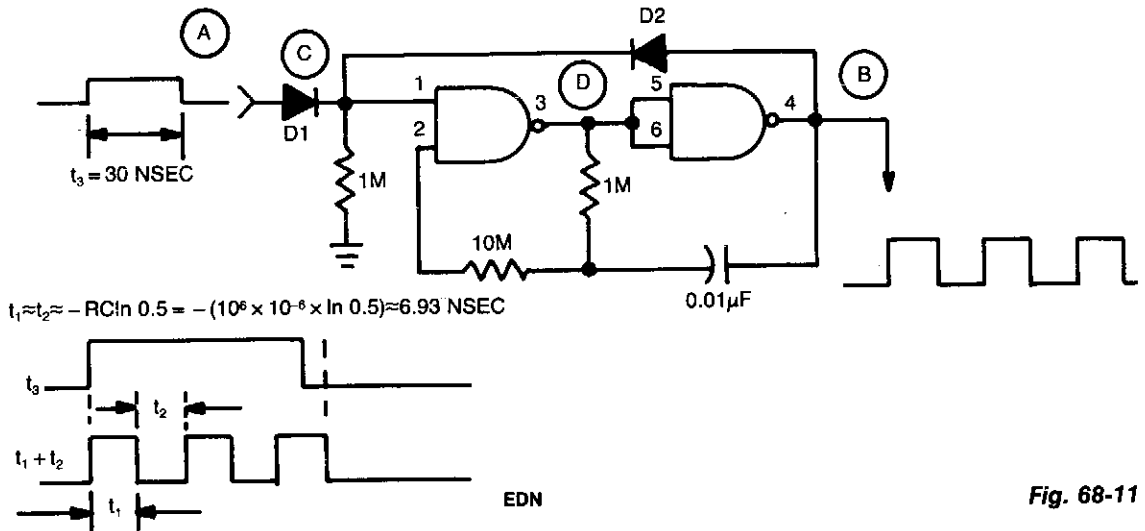


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Fig. 68-10

Intended primarily as a building block for a QRP transmitter, this 20-MHz oscillator delivered a clean 6-V, pk-pk signal into a 100- $\Omega$  load.

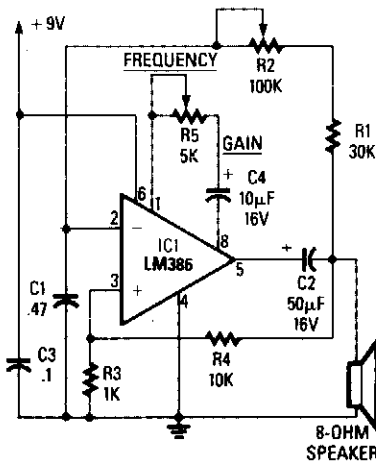
## LAST-CYCLE COMPLETING GATED OSCILLATOR



**Fig. 68-11**

Regenerative feedback at C enables the oscillator to complete its timing cycle, rather than immediately shutting it off. The IC used was a CD4011AE, although an equivalent will work.

## AUDIO OSCILLATOR



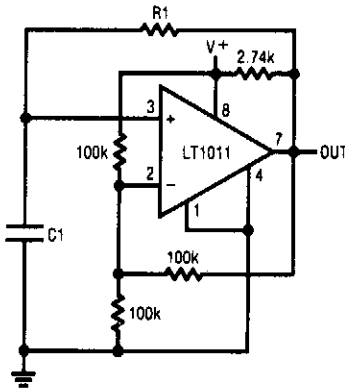
The circuit's frequency of oscillation is  $f = 2.8 / [C_1 \times (R_1 + R_2)]$ . Using the values shown, the output frequency can be varied from 60 Hz to 20 kHz by rotating potentiometer R2.

A portion of IC1's output voltage is fed to its noninverting input at pin 3. The voltage serves as a reference for capacitor C1, which is connected to the noninverting input at pin 2 of the IC. That capacitor continually charges and discharges around the reference voltage, and the result is a square-wave output. Capacitor C2 decouples the output.

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**Fig. 68-12**

## LOW-FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR



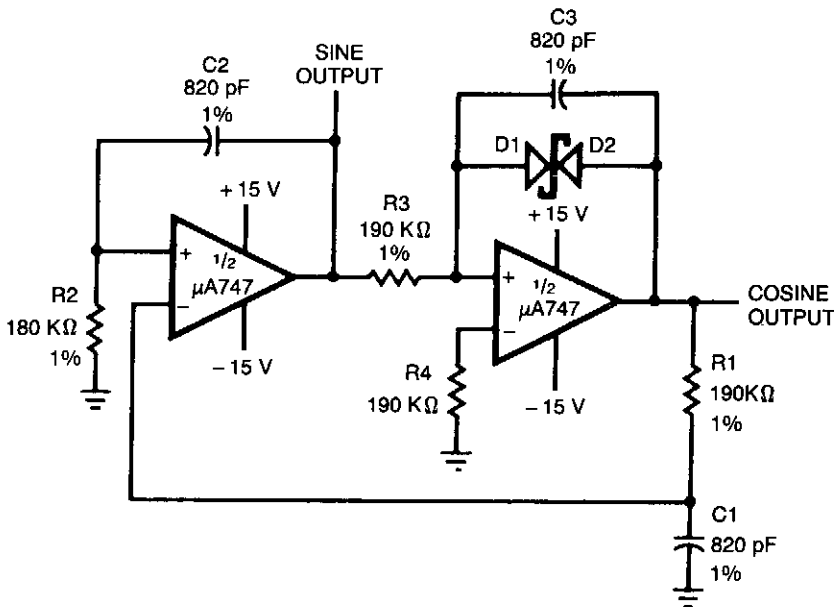
This simple rc oscillator uses a medium-speed comparator with hysteresis and feedback through R1 and C1 as timing elements. The frequency of oscillation is, at least theoretically, independent from the power supply voltage. If the comparator swings to the supply rails, if the pull-up resistor is much smaller than the resistor  $R_h$ , and if the propagation delay is negligible compared to the rc time constant, the oscillation frequency is:

$$f_{osc} = \frac{0.72}{R_1 C_1}$$

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Fig. 68-13

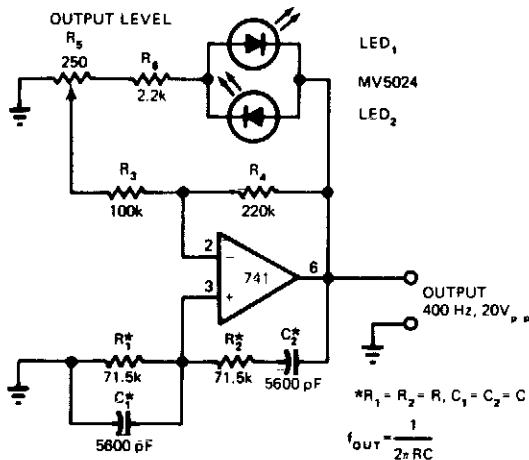
## QUADRATURE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 68-14

### WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

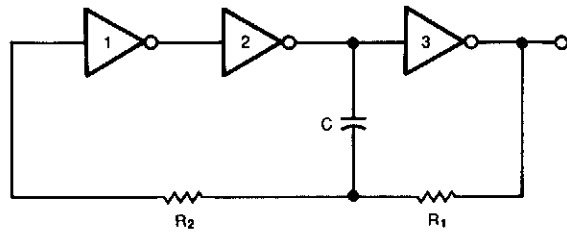


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Fig. 68-15

LEDs function as both pilot lamps and as an AGC (automatic gain control) in this unconventional amplitude-stabilized oscillator.

### CMOS OSCILLATOR

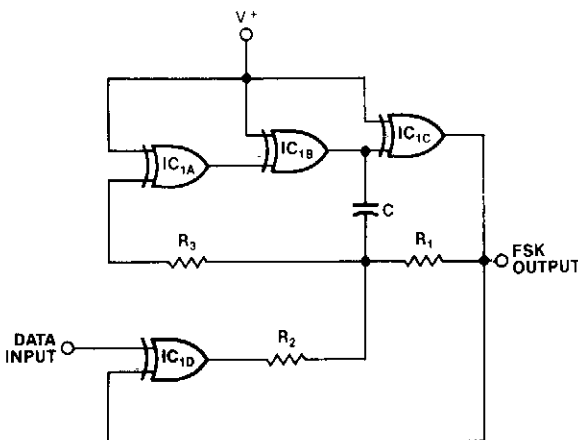


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Fig. 68-16

This circuit is guaranteed to oscillate at a frequency of about  $2.2/(R_1 \times C)$  if  $R_2$  is greater than  $R_1$ . You can reduce the number of gates further if you replace gates 1 and 2 with a noninverting gate.

### XOR-GATE OSCILLATOR



NOTES:  
 IC<sub>1</sub> = CD4070B  
 R<sub>1</sub> ≥ 15k  
 R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> ≥ 3R<sub>1</sub>  
 $f_o \approx \frac{1}{2R_1C}$   
 V<sup>+</sup> = 5 TO 15V

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Fig. 68-17

An exclusive-OR gate, IC1D, turns a simple CMOS oscillator into an FSK generator. When the data input increases, IC1D inverts, and negative feedback through R2 lowers the circuit's output frequency. A low input results in positive feedback and a higher output frequency. R1 and C set the oscillator's frequency range, and R2 determines the circuit's frequency shift. To ensure frequency stability, make R3 much greater than R1 and use a high-quality feedback capacitor. The three gates constituting the oscillator itself need not be exclusive-OR types; use any CMOS inverter.



## SCR RELAXATION OSCILLATOR

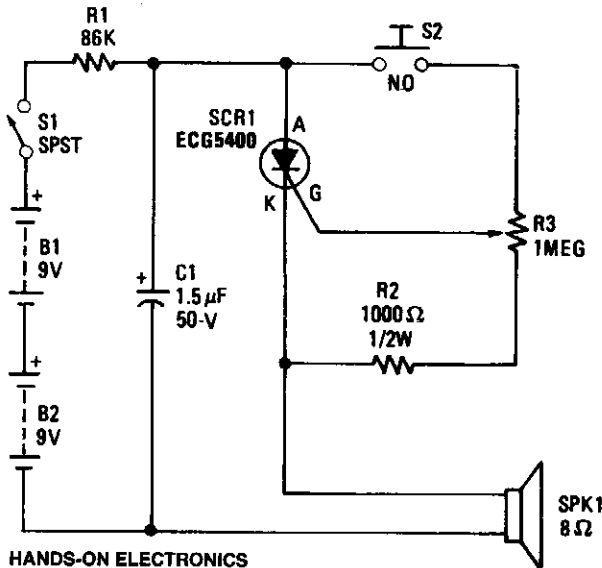


Fig. 68-18

## CMOS OSCILLATOR

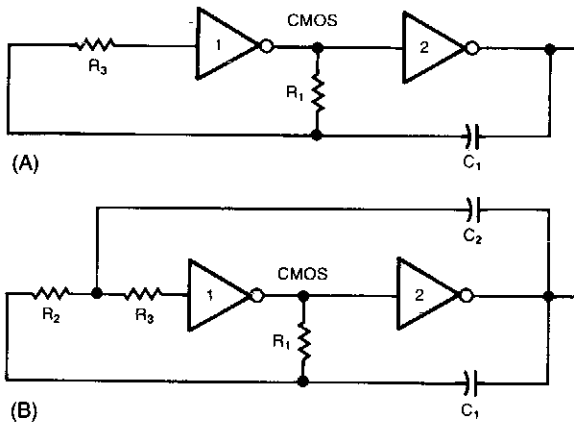


Fig. 68-19

The common clock oscillator in Fig. 68-19A has two small problems: It might not, in fact, oscillate if the transition regions of its two gates differ. If it does oscillate, it might sometimes oscillate at a slightly lower frequency than its equation predicts because of the finite gain of the first gate. If the cir-

cuit does work, oscillation occurs usually because both gates are in the package and, therefore, have logic thresholds only a few millivolts apart.

The circuit in Fig. 68-19B resolves both problems by adding a resistor and a capacitor. The R2/C2 network provides hysteresis, thus delaying the onset of gate 1's transition until C1 has enough voltage to move gate 1 securely through its transition region. When gate 1 is finally in its transition region, C2 provides positive feedback, thus rapidly moving gate 1 out of its transition region.

The equations for the oscillator in Fig. 68-19B are:

$$R_2 = 10R_1$$

$$R_3 = 10R_2$$

$$C_1 = 100C_2$$

$$f \cong \frac{1}{1.2R_1C_1}$$

## CODE-PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

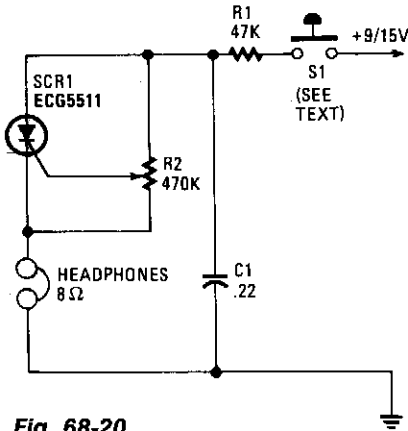


Fig. 68-20

Capacitor C1 charges through resistor R1, and when the gate level established by potentiometer R2 is high enough, the SCR is triggered. Current flows through the SCR and earphones, discharging C1. The anode voltage and current drop to a low level, so the SCR stops conducting and the cycle is repeated. Resistor R2 lets the gate potential across C1 be adjusted, which charges the frequency or tone. Use a pair of 8-Ω headphones. The telegraph key goes right into the B+ line, 9-V battery.

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## PRECISION VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

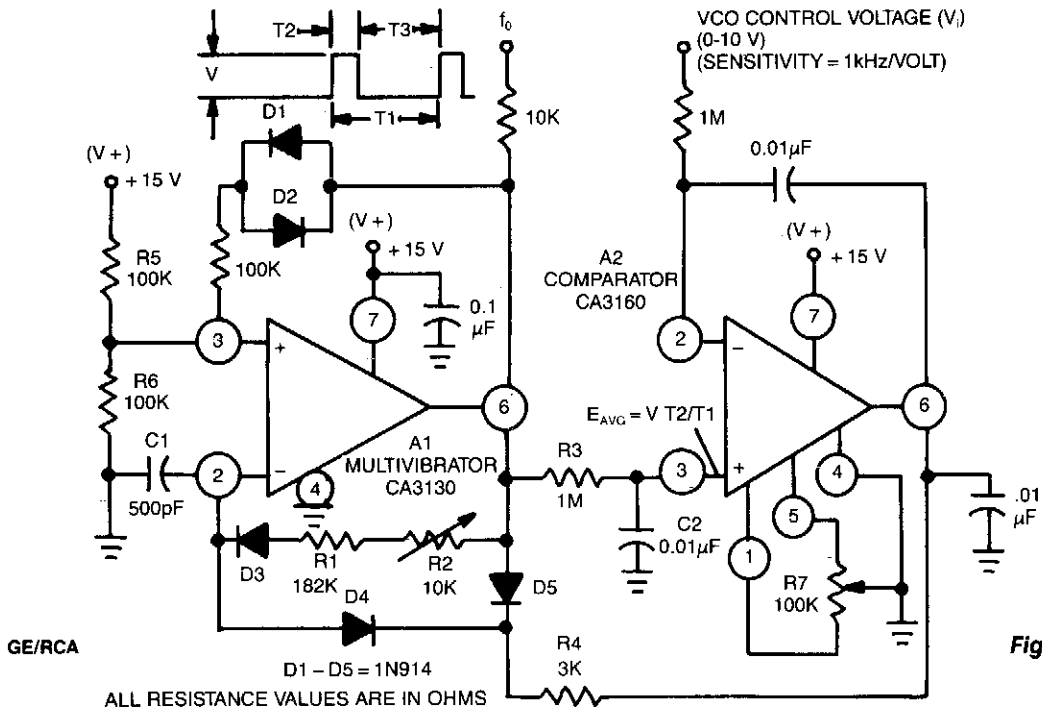
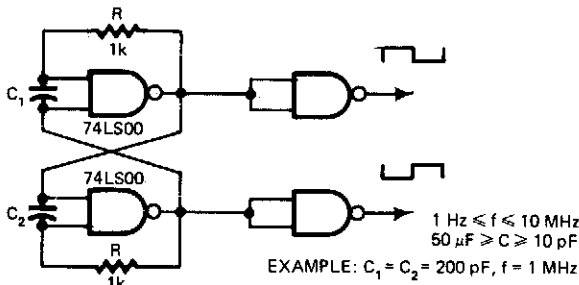


Fig. 68-21

This circuit uses a CA3130 BiMOS op amp as a multivibrator and CA3160 BiMOS op amp as a comparator. The oscillator has a sensitivity of 1 kHz/V, with a tracking error in the order of 0.02%, and a temperature coefficient of 0.01%/°C.

## 5-V OSCILLATOR

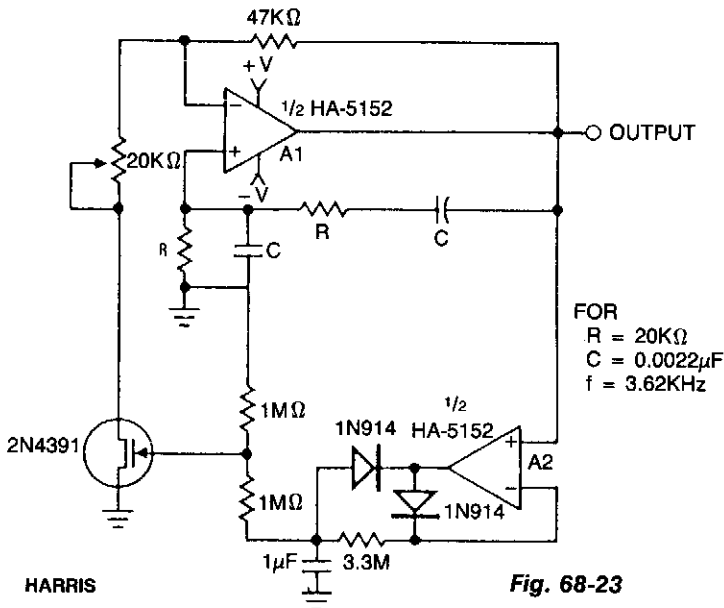


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Fig. 68-22

Consistently self-starting and yet capable of operating from over 1 Hz to 10 MHz, this low-cost oscillator requires only five components. Calculate the period of oscillation by using this relationship:  $P = 5 \times 10^3 C \text{ sec}$  when  $C = C_1 = C_2$ . By changing the ratio of  $C_1$  to  $C_2$ , the duty cycle can be as low as 20%.

## LOW-VOLTAGE WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR



This circuit utilizes an HA-5152 dual op amp and FET to produce a low-voltage, low-power, Wien-bridge sine-wave oscillator. Resistors  $R$  and capacitors  $C$  control the frequency of oscillation; the FET, used as a voltage-controlled resistor, maintains the gain of A1 exactly 3 dB to sustain oscillation. The 20-K $\Omega$  pot can be used to vary the signal amplitude. The HA-5152 has the capability to operate from  $\pm 1.5\text{-V}$  supplies. This circuit will produce a low-distortion sine-wave output while drawing only 400  $\mu\text{A}$  of supply current.

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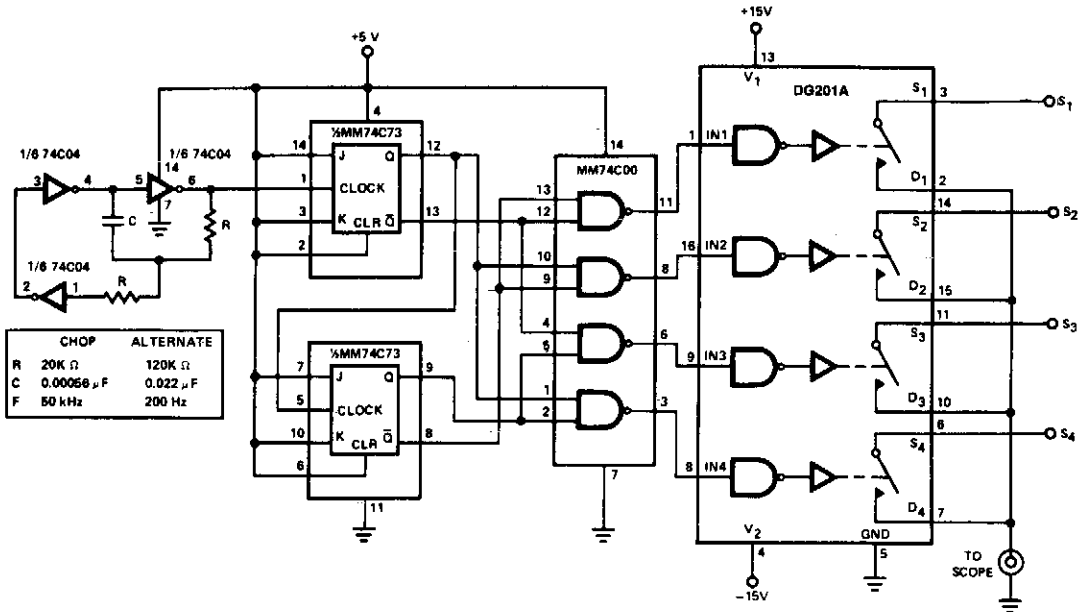
## Oscilloscope Circuits

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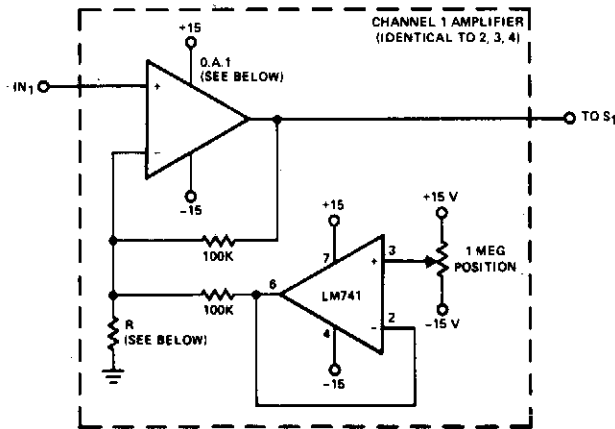
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                               |                                   |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Scope Extender                | Oscilloscope Preamplifier         |
| Eight-Channel Voltage Display | Oscilloscope/Counter Preamplifier |
| Oscilloscope Calibrator       | Oscilloscope-Triggered Sweep      |
| Scope Sensitivity Amplifier   | CRO Doubler                       |
| Add-On Scope Multiplexer      |                                   |

## SCOPE EXTENDER



| CHOP              | ALTERNATE     |
|-------------------|---------------|
| R 20K $\Omega$    | 120K $\Omega$ |
| C 0.00056 $\mu$ F | 0.022 $\mu$ F |
| F 50 kHz          | 200 Hz        |



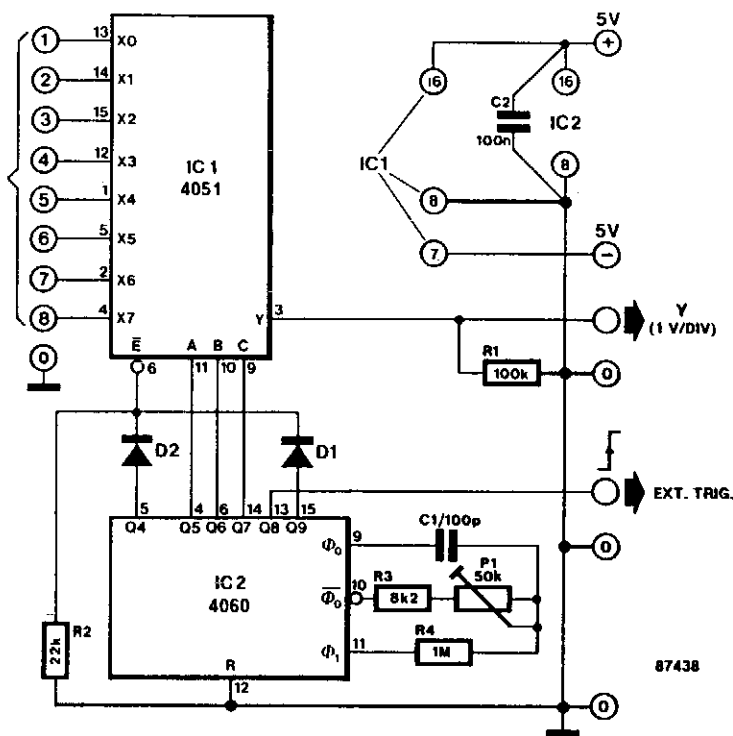
O.A.1 IS OP AMP WITH SUITABLE BANDWIDTH, SLEW RATE, ETC., FOR DESIRED SIGNALS  
 $R$  IS ADDED FOR EXTRA GAIN ACCORDING TO FORMULA VOLTAGE GAIN =  $2 + \frac{100K}{R}$

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Fig. 69-1

The adapter allows four inputs to be displayed simultaneously on a single trace scope. For low-frequency signals, less than 500 Hz, the adapter is used in the *chop* mode at a frequency of 50 kHz. The clock can be run faster, but switching glitches and the actual switching time of the DG201A limit the maximum frequency to 200 kHz. High frequencies are best viewed in the alternate mode, with a clock frequency of 200 Hz. When the clock is below 100 Hz, trace flicker becomes objectionable. One of the four inputs is used to trigger the horizontal trace of the scope.

## EIGHT-CHANNEL VOLTAGE DISPLAY



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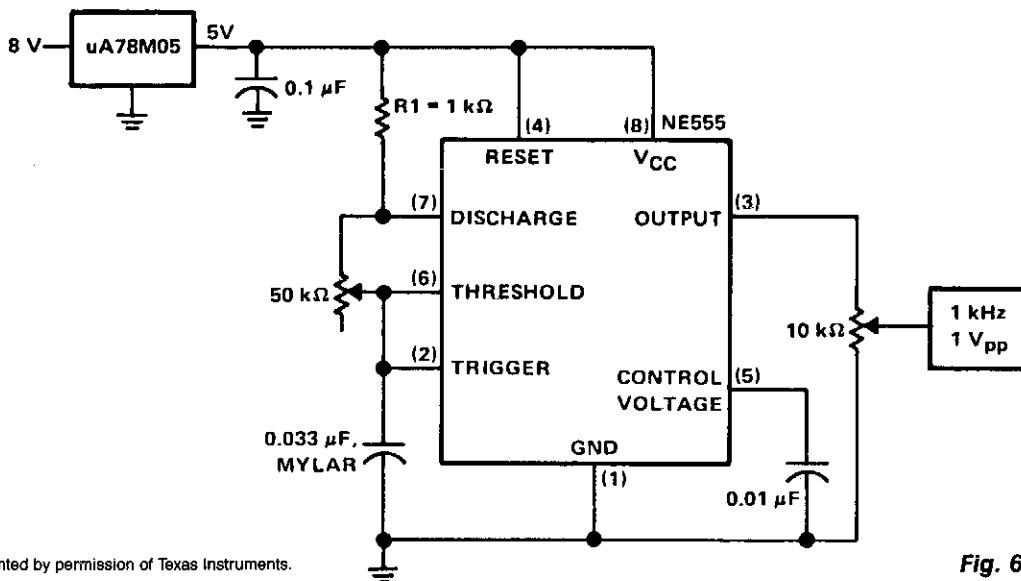
Fig. 69-2

This circuit turns a common oscilloscope into a versatile eight-channel display for direct voltages. The trend of each of the eight input levels is readily observed, albeit that the attainable resolution is not very high.

The circuit diagram shows the use of an eight-channel analog multiplexer IC1, which is the electronic version of an eight-way rotary switch with contacts X0 through X7 and pole Y. The relevant channel is selected by applying a binary code to the A-B-C inputs. For example, binary code 011 (A-B-C) enables channel 7 (X6 Y). The A-B-C inputs of IC1 are driven from three successive outputs of binary counter IC2, which is set to oscillate at about 50 kHz with the aid of P1. Since the counter is not reset, the binary state of outputs Q5, Q6, and Q7 steps from 0 to 7 in a cyclic manner. Each of the direct voltages at input terminals 1 to 8 is therefore briefly connected to the Y input of the oscilloscope. All eight input levels can be seen simultaneously by setting the timebase of the scope, in accordance with the time it takes the counter to output states 0 through 7, on outputs Q5, Q6, and Q7.

The timebase on the scope should be set to 0.5 ms/div, and triggering should occur on the positive edge of the external signal. Set the vertical sensitivity to 1 V/div. The input range of this circuit is from -4 V to +4 V; connected channels are terminated in about 100 K $\Omega$ .

## OSCILLOSCOPE CALIBRATOR

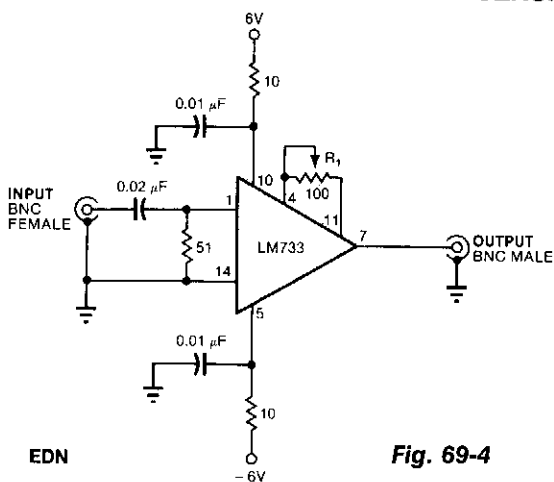


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Fig. 69-3

The calibrator can be used to check the accuracy of a time-base generator, as well as to calibrate the input level of amplifiers. The calibrator consists of an NE555 connected in the astable mode. The oscillator is set to exactly 1 kHz by adjusting potentiometer P1 while the output at pin 3 is being monitored against a known frequency standard or frequency counter. The output level, likewise, is monitored from potentiometer P2's center arm to ground with a standard instrument. P2 is adjusted for 1 V pk-pk at the calibrator output terminal. During operation, the calibrator output terminal will produce a 1-kHz, square-wave signal at 1 V pk-pk with about 50% duty cycle. For long-term oscillator frequency stability, C1 should be a low-leakage mylar capacitor.

## SCOPE SENSITIVITY AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 69-4

This circuit provides  $20 \pm 0.1$  dB voltage gain from 0.5 to 25 MHz and  $\pm 3$  dB from 70 kHz to 55 MHz. An LM733 video amplifier furnishes a low input-noise spec, 10- $\mu$ V typical, measured over a 15.7-MHz bandwidth. The scale factor of the instrument can be preserved by using a trimmer R1 or a selected precision resistor, to set the circuit's voltage gain to exactly 100.

## ADD-ON SCOPE MULTIPLEXER

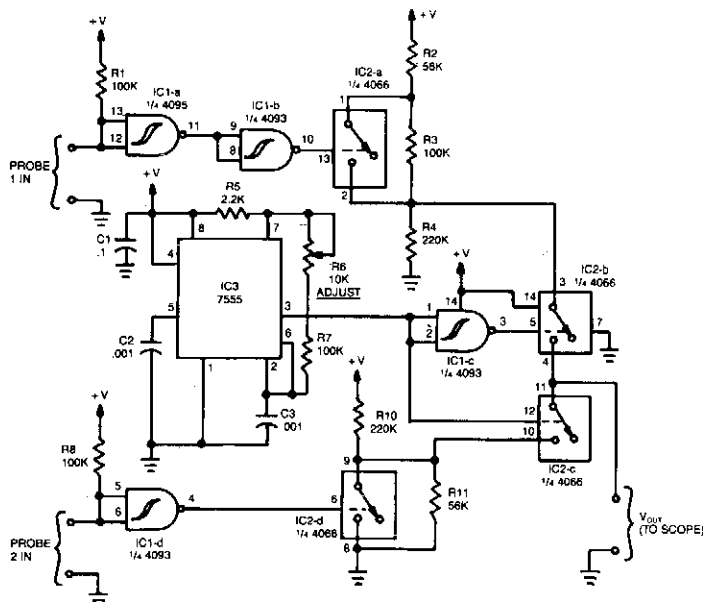


Fig. 69-5

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The operation of the unit revolves around three ICs: a 4093 quad NAND Schmitt trigger, a 4066 quad analog switch, and a 7555 timer. When a high is fed to probe 1 in, it is inverted to IC1a and once again by IC1b, so that the input to IC2a is high. That high causes the *switch contacts* in IC2a to close. With the *contacts* closed, a high-level output is presented to the input of IC2b. The high output is fed to probe 2 in. That signal is then inverted by IC1d and routed to IC2d, causing its *contacts* to open, and the unit to output a logic-level high. The output of IC2d is then fed to IC2c.

## OSCILLOSCOPE PREAMPLIFIER

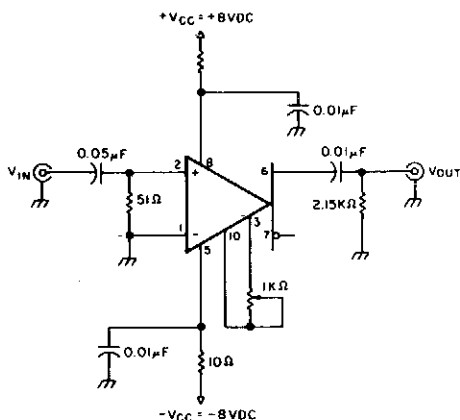


Fig. 69-6

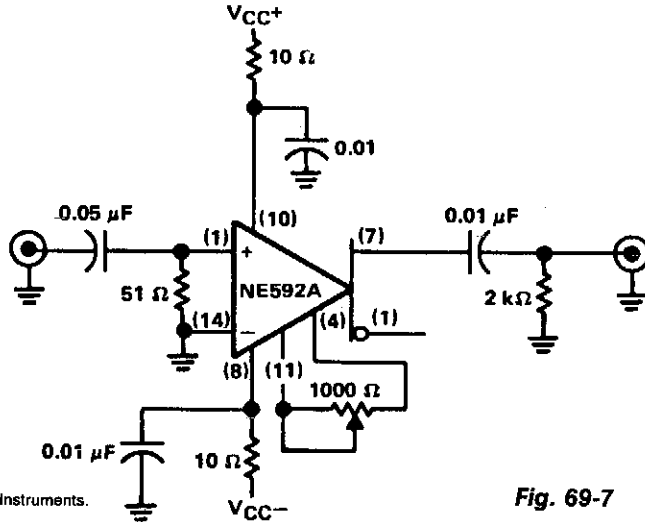
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This circuit provides about 20 dB voltage gain with a frequency range from 0.5 to 50 MHz. You can extend the low-frequency response of this circuit by increasing the value of the 0.05- $\mu$ F capacitor—or try removing the capacitor. This circuit delivers a particularly small level of input noise, measured at approximately 20  $\mu$ V over a bandwidth range of 15 MHz.

Calibrate the gain by adjusting the gain potentiometer connected between pins 3 and 10, then adjust the 1-K $\Omega$  trimmer potentiometer for an exact voltage gain of 10; this helps preserve the scale factor of the oscilloscope.



## OSCILLOSCOPE/COUNTER PREAMPLIFIER

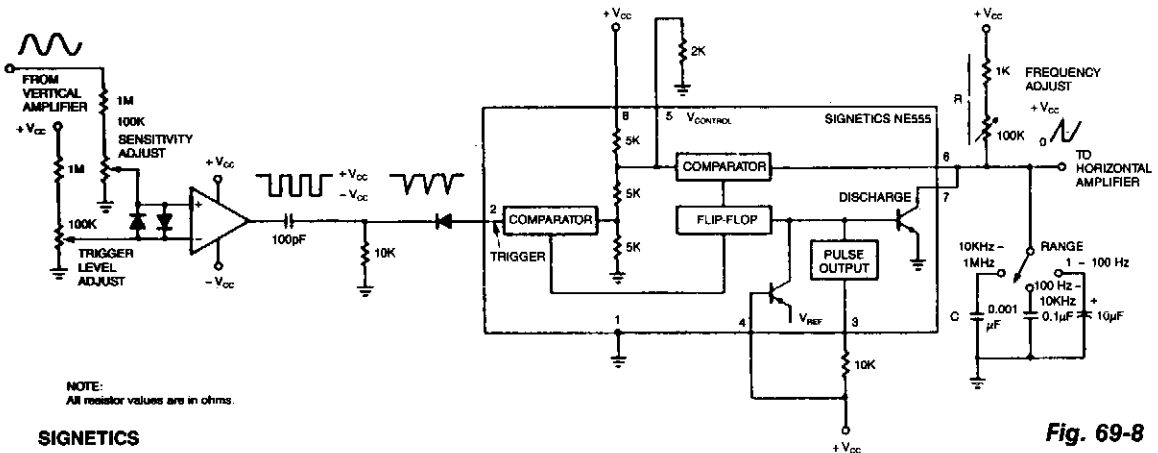


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**Fig. 69-7**

The circuit will provide a  $20 \pm 0.1$  dB voltage gain from 500 kHz to 50 MHz. The low-frequency response of the amplifier can be extended by increasing the value of the 0.05- $\mu$ F capacitor connected in series with the input terminal. This circuit will yield an input-noise level of approximately 10  $\mu$ V over a 15.7-MHz bandwidth. The gain can be calibrated by adjusting the potentiometer connected between pins 4 and 11. The 1-K $\Omega$  potentiometer can be adjusted for an exact voltage gain of 10. This preserves the scale factor of the instrument.

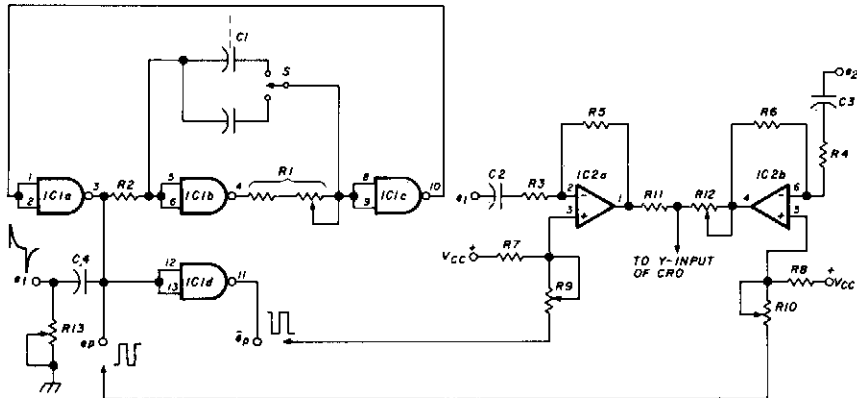
## OSCILLOSCOPE-TRIGGERED SWEEP



**Fig. 69-8**

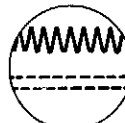
The circuit's input op amp triggers the timer, sets its flip-flop and cuts off its discharge transistor so that capacitor C can charge. When capacitor voltage reaches the timer's control voltage of  $0.33 V_{CC}$ , the flip-flop resets and the transistor conducts, discharging the capacitor. Greater linearity can be achieved by substituting a constant-current source for frequency adjust resistor R.

## CRO DOUBLER



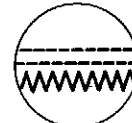
Parts List (fig. 1)

|     |                    |     |                  |
|-----|--------------------|-----|------------------|
| IC1 | 4011               | R3  | 20k              |
| IC2 | LM358              | R4  | 20k              |
| C1  | 0.001 $\mu$ F      | R5  | 200k             |
|     | 0.01 $\mu$ F       | R6  | 200k             |
|     | 0.1 $\mu$ F        | R7  | 50k              |
|     | 1.0 $\mu$ F        | R8  | 50k pot          |
|     | 10 $\mu$ F         | R9  | 50k pot          |
| C2  | 25 $\mu$ F         | R10 | 50k pot          |
| C3  | 25 $\mu$ F         | R11 | 100 ohm          |
| C4  | 0.001 $\mu$ F      | R12 | 300 ohm pot      |
| R1  | 500-ohm + 50-k pot | R13 | 50k pot          |
| R2  | 500 ohm            | Vcc | 6 volts          |
|     |                    | S   | multipole switch |

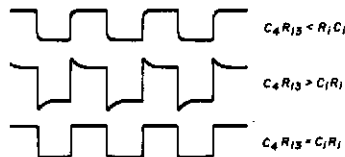
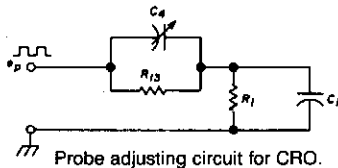


$R_{12} < R_{11}$

Oscillograms of the displayed input signals  $e_1$  (sine wave) and  $e_2$  (square wave).



$R_{12} > R_{11}$



Displayed square waves on CRO screen.

**Fig. 69-9**

### HAM RADIO

IC1a, IC1b, and IC1c of the quad two-input NAND gate 4011 are connected as an astable multivibrator; IC1d is connected as an inverter. Terminals 3 and 11 of the 4011 produce square waves with opposite phases. The square waves,  $e_p$ , at the output of IC1a, passing through differentiator C4R13, then form positive and negative pulses,  $e_i$ . The dual op amps of the LM358 are used as two gated amplifiers for signals  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  and fed through terminals 2 and 6, to be displayed simultaneously on the CRO screen.

The two opposite-phase square waves  $\bar{e}_p$  and  $e_p$  are used to gate IC2a and IC2b at terminals 3 and 5 of the LM358, respectively. Resistances R9 and R10 are preadjusted so that one op amp is driven to saturation while the other works normally as an amplifier. Thus, they will amplify signals  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  alternately, and two separate traces will be displayed on the screen. Resistance R12 can be varied to adjust the vertical separation of the two traces.

Select a suitable value for C1 with switch S, and adjust the pot of R1. The frequency of square waves can be varied from 1 to  $10^6$  cps. This process is necessary for stabilizing the waveforms displayed on the screen. A common supply of 6 V is used in the circuit.

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## Phase Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Phase Selector/Phase Detector/  
Synchronous Rectifier/Balanced Modulator  
Phase Sequence Detector  
Phase Detector

## PHASE SELECTOR/PHASE DETECTOR/ SYNCHRONOUS RECTIFIER/BALANCED MODULATOR

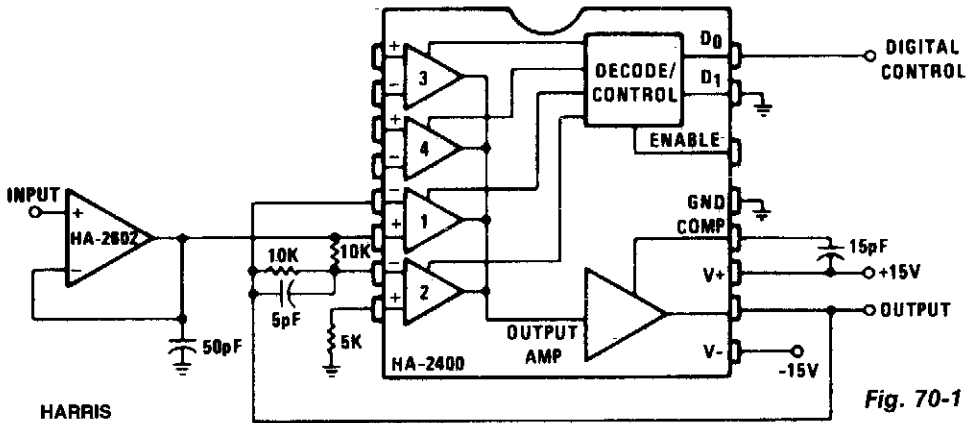


Fig. 70-1

This circuit passes the input signal at unity gain, either unchanged or inverted, depending on the digital control input. A buffered input is shown, since low-source impedance is essential. Gain can be added by modifications to the feedback networks. Signals up to 100 kHz can be handled with 20.0-V pk-pk, output. The circuit becomes a phase detector when driving the digital control input with a reference phase at the same frequency as the input signal; the average dc output is proportional to the phase difference, with 0 V at +90°. By connecting the output to a comparator, which in turn drives the digital control, a synchronous full-wave rectifier is formed. With a low-frequency input signal and a high-frequency digital control signal, a balanced (suppressed carrier) modulator is formed.

## PHASE-SEQUENCE DETECTOR

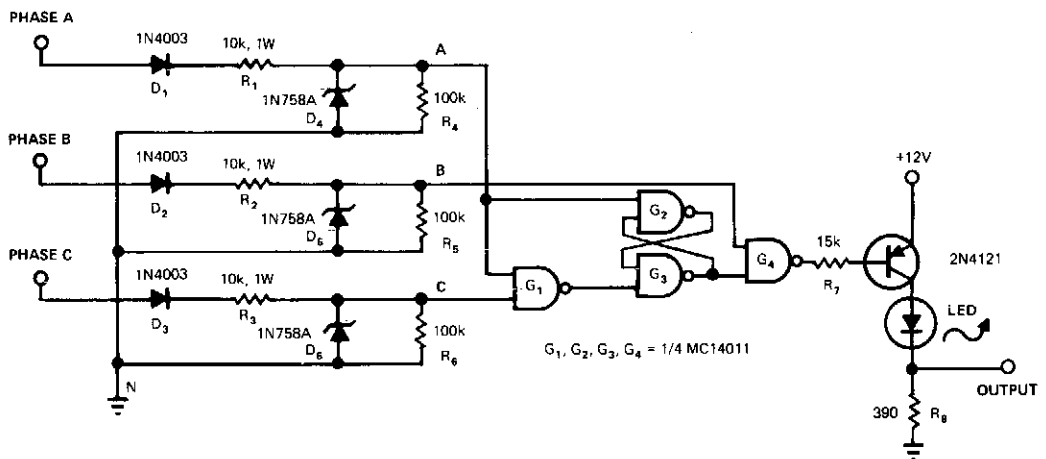
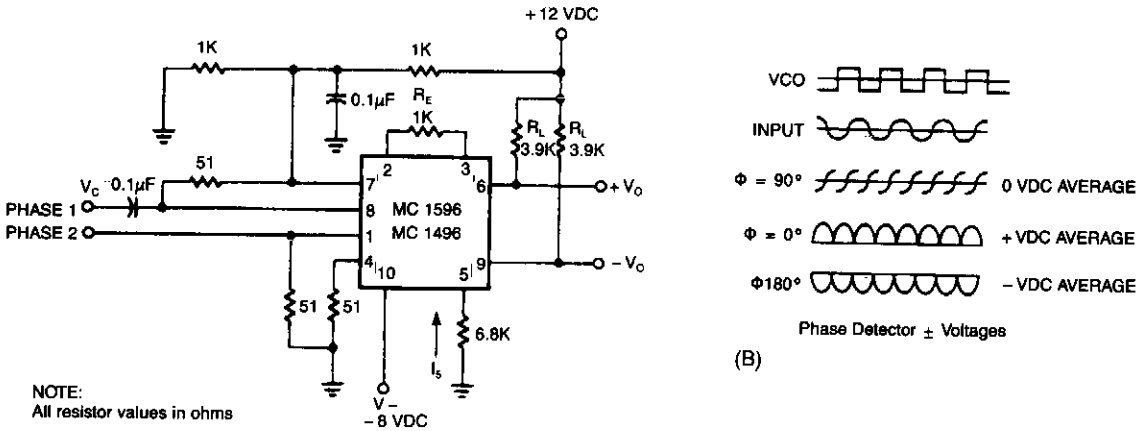


Fig. 70-2

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## PHASE DETECTOR



**Fig. 70-3**

### SIGNETICS

The output of the detector contains a term related to the cosine of the phase angle. Two signals of equal frequency are applied to the inputs. The frequencies are multiplied together, producing the sum and difference frequencies. Equal frequencies cause the difference component to become dc, while the undesired sum component is filtered out. The dc component is related to the phase angle by the graph of Fig. 70-2B. At  $90^\circ$ , the cosine becomes zero, while being at maximum positive or maximum negative at  $0^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$ , respectively. The advantage of using the balanced modulator over other types of phase comparators is the excellent conversion-linearity. This configuration also provides a conversion gain, rather than a loss for greater resolution. Used in conjunction with a phase-locked loop, for instance, the balanced modulator provides a very low-distortion FM demodulator.

Correct phase sequences (ABC, BCA, or CAB) produce trains of output pulses and illuminate the LED. The output stays low and the LED remains dark for incorrect sequences (BAC, ACB, or CBA) or for phase loss (phase A, B, or C missing).

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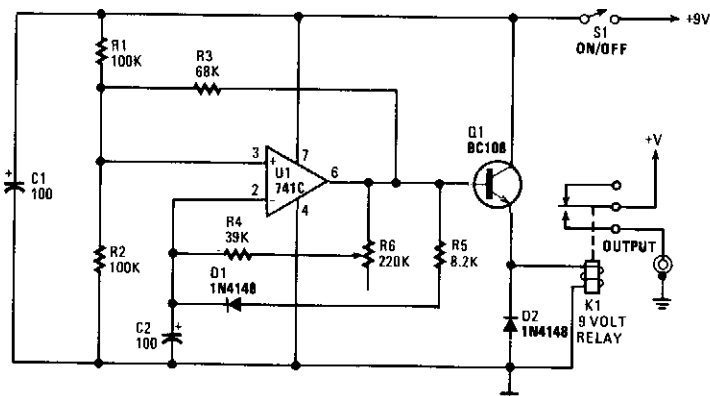
## Photography-Related Circuits

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Slide-Show Timer  
Camera Alarm Trigger  
Darkroom Enlarger Timer  
Flash Meter  
Slave Photographic Xenon Flash Trigger  
Slide Timer  
Electronic Photoflash

## SLIDE-SHOW TIMER



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Fig. 71-1

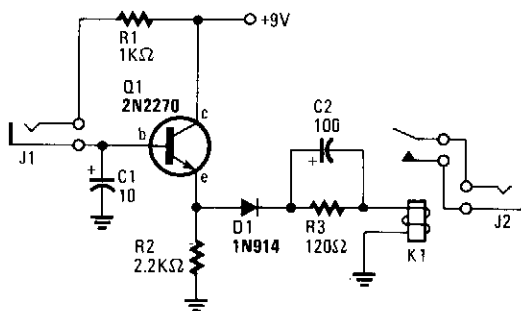
You can set the interval from about 5–30 seconds. A relay operates the slide-change mechanism. Op amp U1 forms a sort of Schmitt trigger. Resistors R1 and R2 bias the noninverting input at pin 3 of U1 to half the supply voltage. Feedback resistor R3 increases or reduces the bias to pin 3, depending on whether the output of U1 is high or low.

When power is first applied to the circuit, C2 has a zero charge and the inverting input of the op amp is at a lower voltage than its noninverting input. When the output of U1 is high, C2 begins to charge through R5 and D1. It takes about one second for the charge on C2 to reach the same voltage as that at the noninverting input of U1. At that time, the output of U1 begins a negative swing.

Because of the positive feedback through R3, the voltage at the noninverting input is reduced and the output becomes more negative. The voltage at the noninverting input is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the supply voltage, and C2 begins to discharge through the resistor bank. The timing is controlled by R6.

The resulting pulses are fed to the base of Q1, configured as an emitter-following buffer stage, which is used to activate relay K1. Transistor Q1 is necessary because op amps usually have an output current in the 20-mA range, which is too low to activate the relay.

## CAMERA ALARM TRIGGER



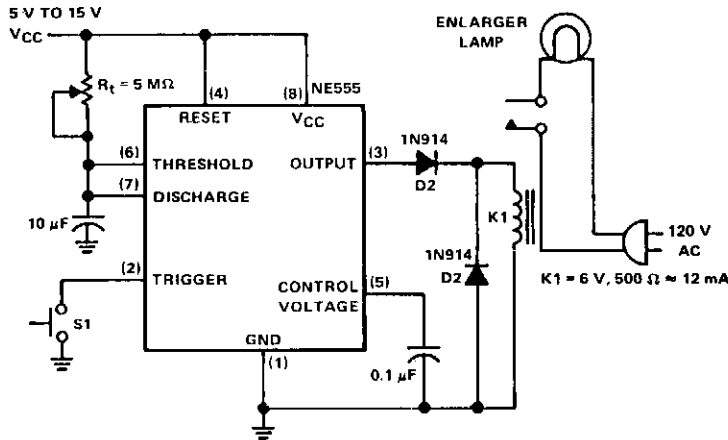
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Fig. 71-2

## CAMERA ALARM TRIGGER (Cont.)

Transistor Q1 remains off until the magnetic switch connected to J1 closes. When that happens, the 9 V is connected through R1 to Q1'S base. Q1 turns on, thereby charging C2 through relay K1, which causes K1's contacts to close. Since the contacts connect via J2 to the remote control jack in the camera, which in turn connects to the camera's shutter release, the closure of K1's contacts will cause the camera's shutter to trigger. After C2 charges, K1 opens because current through its coil ceases; the camera won't take another picture. If Q1 turns off because the magnetic switch on the window or gate opens, C2 discharges and the circuit is ready for another cycle. As long as Q1 remains on, C2 stays charged and prevents K1 from triggering more photos. Capacitor C1 bypasses spurious magnetic switch noises from physical phenomena, such as a rattling window or a gate shaking in the wind, thus reducing the likelihood of an unwanted picture. Resistor R2 biases Q1 and dampens K1/C2 oscillations which might cause contact bounce. Diode D1 prevents C2 from discharging through K1; the relay coil isn't polarity conscious and C2 discharging through it would trigger an unwanted picture.

## DARKROOM ENLARGER TIMER



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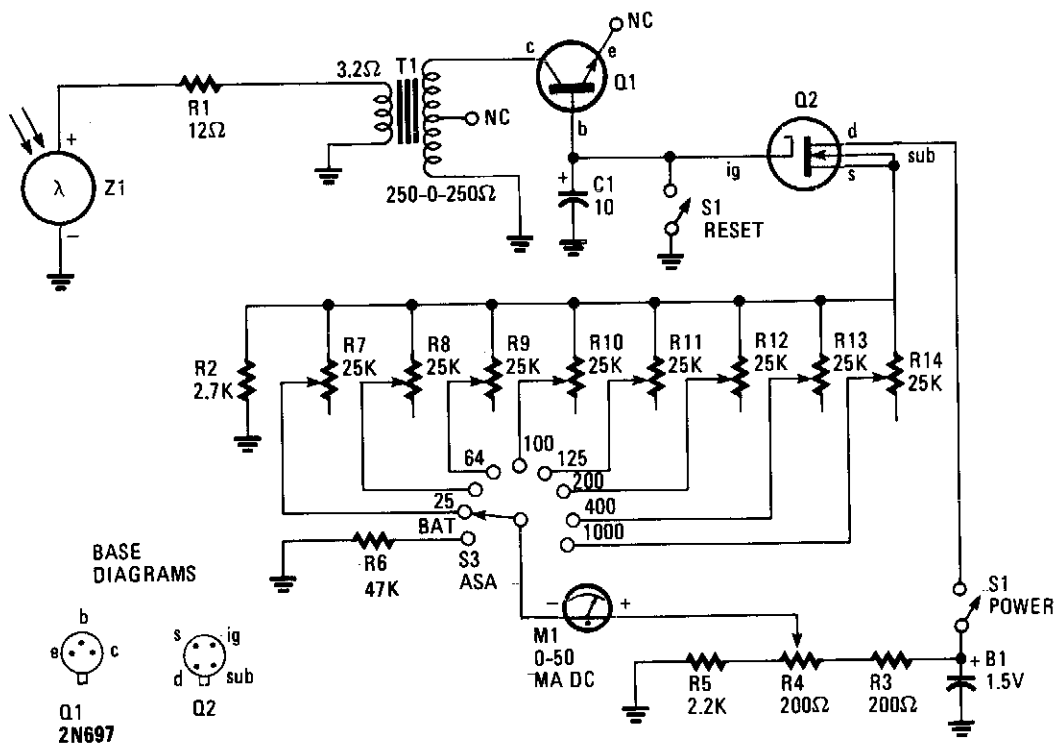
Fig. 71-3

The NE555 circuit is a basic one-shot timer with a relay connected between the output and ground. It is triggered with the normally open momentary contact switch, which when operated, grounds the trigger input at pin 2. This causes a high output to energize K1 which closes the normally open contacts in the lamp circuit. They remain closed during the timing interval, then open at time out. Timing is controlled by a 5-MΩ potentiometer, R<sub>t</sub>. All timer-driven relay circuits should use a reverse clamping diode, such as D1, across the coil. The purpose of diode D2 is to prevent a timer output latch-up condition in the presence of reverse spikes across the relay.

With the rc time constant shown, the full-scale time is about 1 minute. A scale for the 5-MΩ potentiometer shaft position can be made and calibrated in seconds. Longer or shorter full-scale times can be achieved by changing the values of the rc timing components.



## FLASH METER



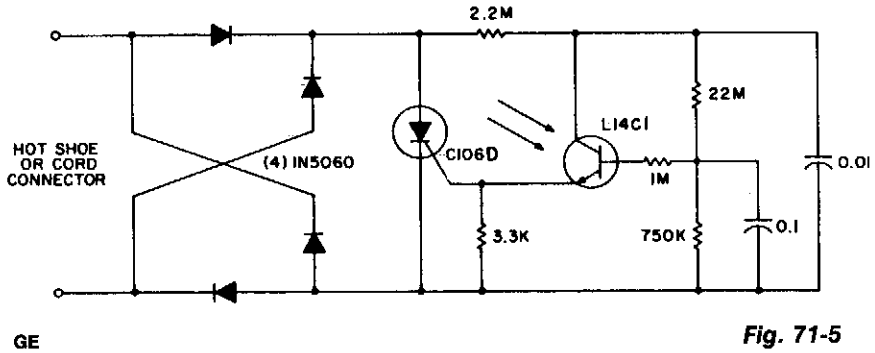
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Fig. 71-4

Insulated-gate, field-effect transistor (IGFET), Q2 and silicon photo cell Z1 form the heart of this circuit. Transformer T1 is an audio-output type, but it's reversed in the circuit. A sudden flash from a photoflash unit detected by Z1 sends a voltage pulse through the low-impedance winding of T1 via R1. That voltage pulse is stepped-up in T1's 500-Ω, primary winding before being rectified by Q1. Transistor Q1 is used as a diode; its emitter lead was snipped off close to the case. Q1 then charges C1 to a value proportional to the amplitude of the electrical pulse generated by the light from a flash unit.

Capacitor C1 controls the current flowing through Q2, which has a very high-input impedance. The current through Q2 is read by meter M1, a 0-50 μA dc unit, which has been calibrated in f-stops. The extremely high internal resistances of Q1 and Q2 will allow C1 to retain its charge for several minutes; this is more than enough time for you to take your reading of M1. The charge on C1 is shorted to ground and returned to 0 V by depressing reset button S1. The flashmeter is ready to read the next photoflash. Trim potentiometers, R7 through R14, are adjusted to values which will yield correct readings for corresponding film sensitivities, or exposure indexes.

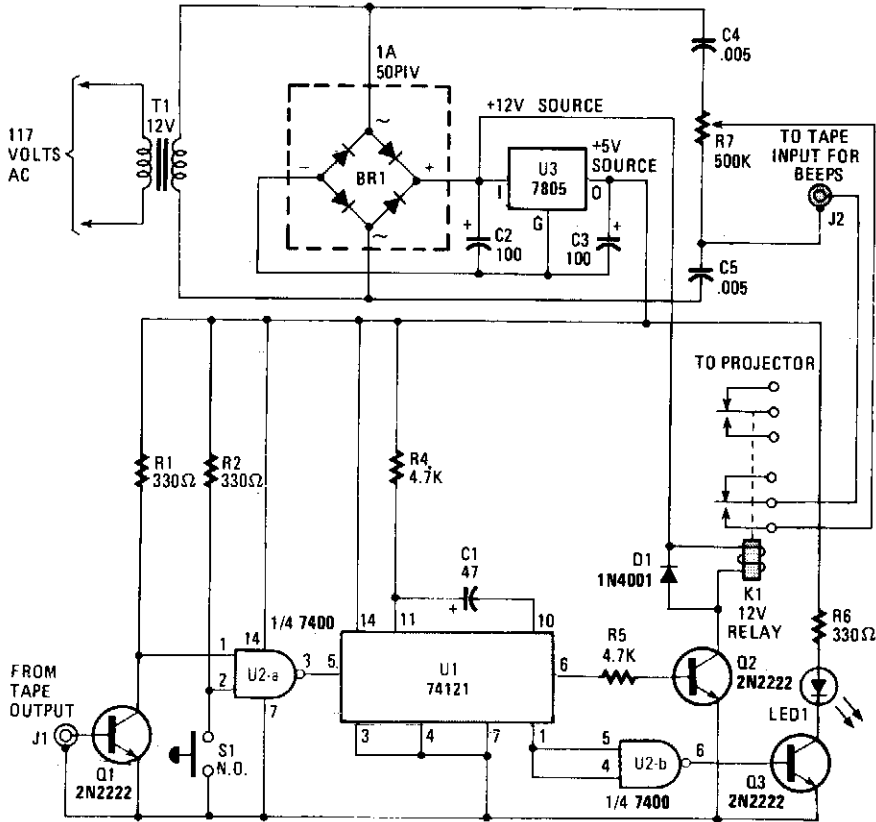
## SLAVE PHOTOGRAPHIC XENON FLASH TRIGGER



This circuit is used for remote photographic flash units that flash at the same time as the flash attached to the camera. This circuit is designed to the trigger cord or *hot shoe* connection of a commercial portable flash unit and triggers the unit from the light produced by the light of the flash unit attached to the camera. This provides remote operation without the need for wires or cables between the various units. The flash trigger unit should be connected to the slave flash before turning the flash on to prevent a  $dV/dt$  triggered flash on connection. The L14C1 phototransistor has a wide, almost cosine viewing angle, so alignment is not critical. If a very sensitive, more directional remote trigger unit is desired, the circuit can be modified using an L14G2 lensed phototransistor as the sensor.

The lens on this transistor provides a viewing angle of approximately  $10^\circ$  and gives over a 10 to 1 improvement in light sensitivity (3 to 1 range improvement). Note that the phototransistor is connected in a self-biasing circuit which is relatively insensitive to slow-changing ambient light, and yet discharges the  $0.01\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor into the C106D gate when illuminated by a photo flash. For a physically smaller size, the C106D can be replaced by a C205D, if the duty cycle is reduced appropriately.

## SLIDE TIMER



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Fig. 71-6

This circuit will record commentary and/or music on one track of a tape and put the beeps that change the slides on another track. Gate U2a is used to trigger U1, which is configured as a timer when a pulse is received from either the tape input or via pushbutton switch S1. Timer U2 outputs one pulse for every input pulse received, no matter how long S1 is depressed.

The Q output of U2 at pin 1 is fed to U2b, which is set up as an inverter. When pin 1 of U1 becomes low, Q3 is activated, lighting LED1. The Q output of U1 at pin 6 is tied to the base of Q2, through R5, so that when pin 6 becomes high, Q2 is turned on. When Q2 is turned on, relay K1 is energized, and a signal is fed to the tape input through J2. The second set of contacts of K1 are used to trigger the projector.

Power for the circuit is provided by a 7805 regulator. The unregulated 12 V output of BR1 is used to power the relay. The 12-V relay needs to have two sets of contacts as shown: to advance the projector, and to supply the beeps when recording. The LED indicates projector advance.

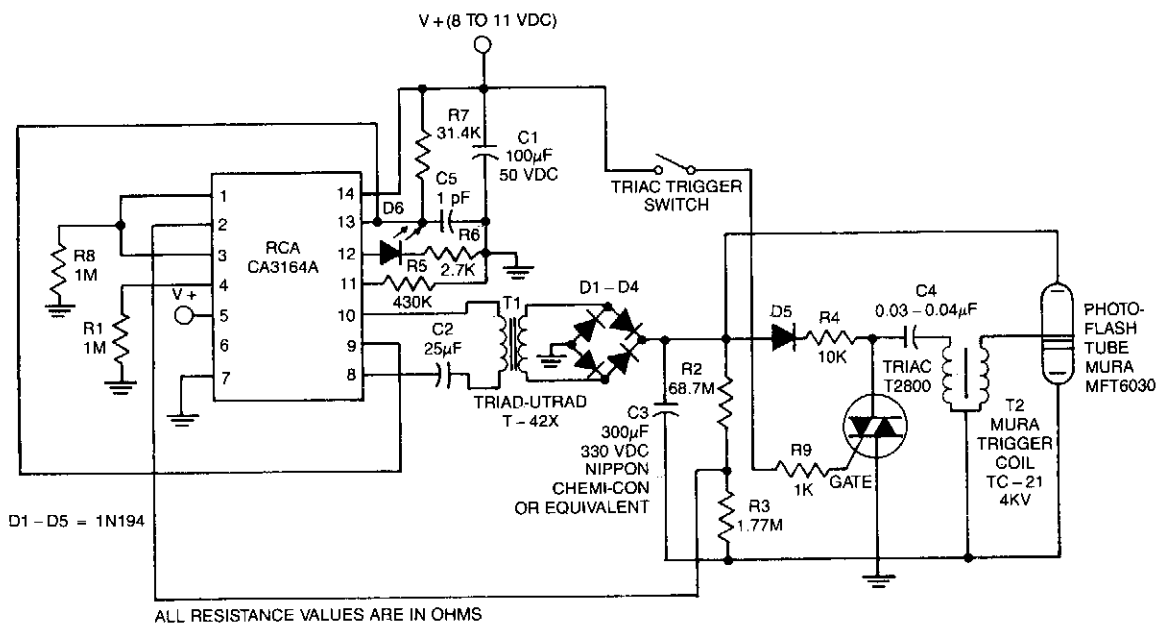
To record the beeps, connect beeper jack J2 to the input of the tape recorder and connect the controller to the projector-advance plug. The 60-Hz line frequency is used to produce beeps that are recorded on half of the stereo tape. The other track is used for commentary. The beeper output is controlled via 500-KΩ potentiometer R6.

## SLIDE TIMER (Cont.)

Use pushbutton switch S1 to put the beeps on the tape, where required, to advance the projector. The beep length is automatic, and the projector will advance once for every push of S1.

When presenting your program, disconnect one speaker from the recorder, and connect the recorder to the jack on the controller and plug into the earphone jack. Connect the controller to the projector. The beeps will not be heard and the projector will advance at precisely the correct time.

## ELECTRONIC PHOTOFLASH



GE/RCA

Fig. 71-7

Using the CA3164A BiMOS control chip consumes less than 15  $\mu$ A during standby, yet it can provide 100 mA of chopped current to the dc-to-dc converter during the energy-reservoir charging cycle. The CA3164A drives the primary of T1 with symmetrically chopped current at a 400 to 2000 Hz rate. The CA3164A's chopper frequency is about 500 Hz; the duty cycle, 50% when R7 is 3.14 K $\Omega$ .

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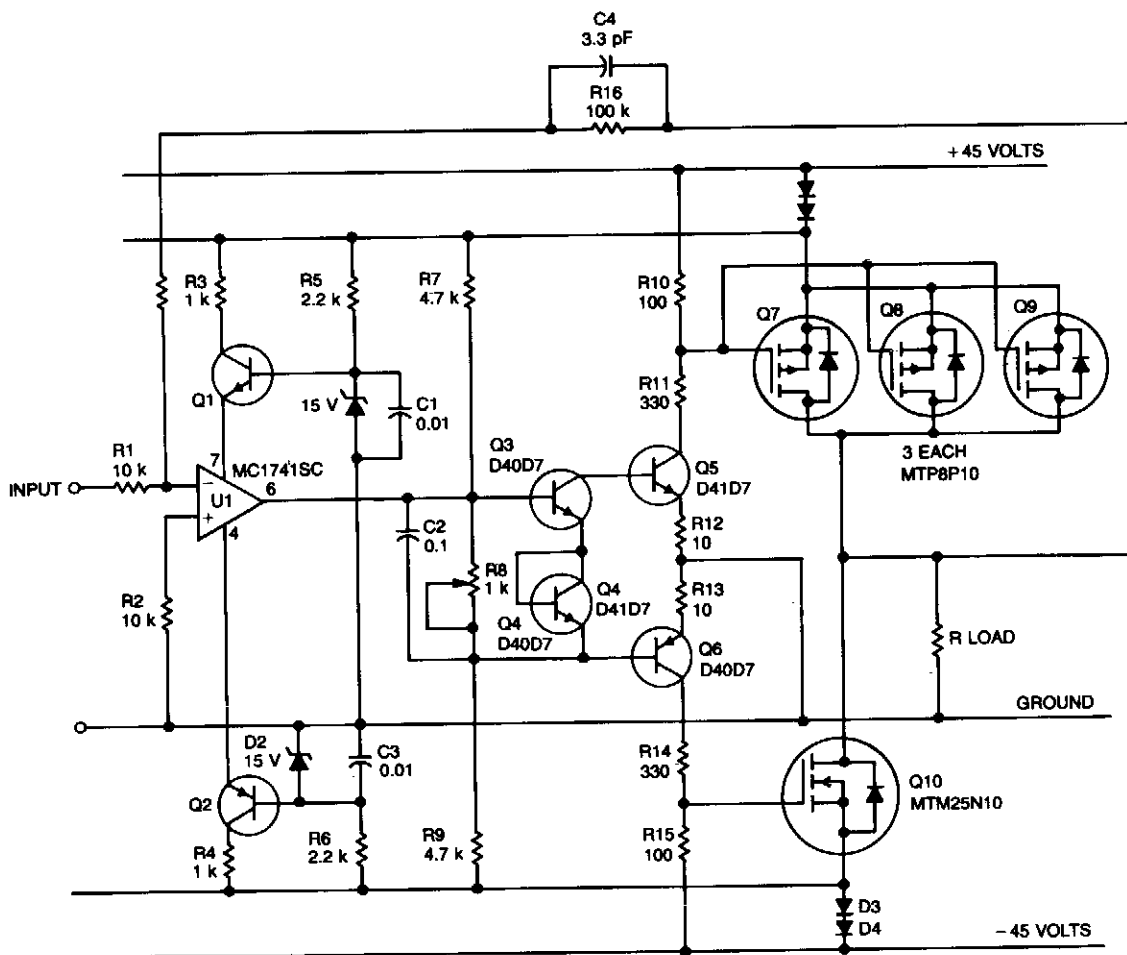
## Power Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                            |                                 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 50-W Audio Power Amplifier | Audio Power Amplifier           |
| Output-Stage Power Booster | 6-W Power Amplifier with Preamp |
| Portable Amplifier         | Hybrid Power Amplifier          |
| Class-D Power Amplifier    | 20-W Audio Amplifier            |

## 50-W AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER



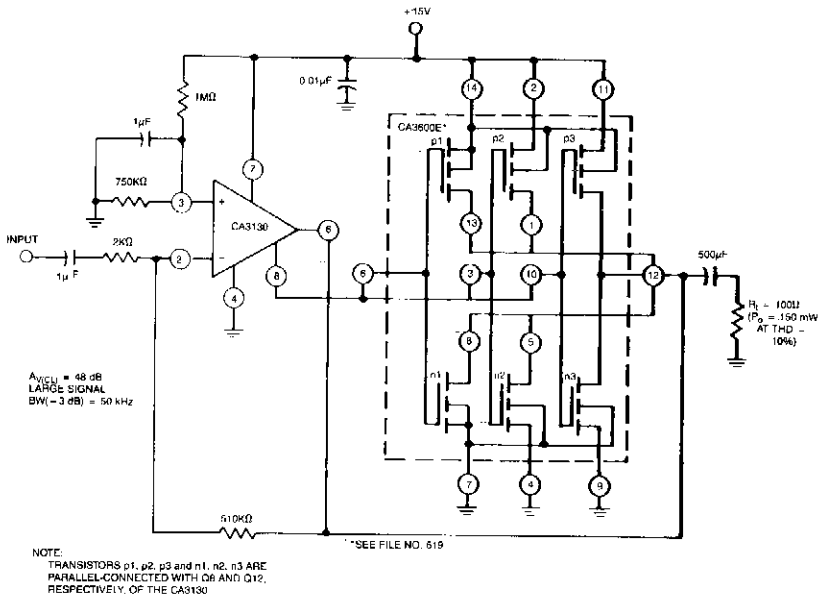
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Fig. 72-1

This audio amplifier design approach employs TMOS Power FETs operating in a complementary common-source configuration. They are biased to cutoff, then turn on very quickly when a signal is applied. The advantage of this approach is that the output stage is very stable from a thermal point of view.

U1 is a high slew-rate amp that drives Q3, Q4, and Q6 (operating class AB) providing level transition for the output stage consisting of Q7, Q8, Q9, and Q10. The positive temperature coefficient of the TMOS device enables parallel operation of Q7, Q8, and Q9 and provides a higher power *complementary* device for Q10. These TMOS Power FETs must be driven from a low-source impedance of 100  $\Omega$ , in order to actually obtain high turn-on speeds.

## OUTPUT-STAGE POWER BOOSTER

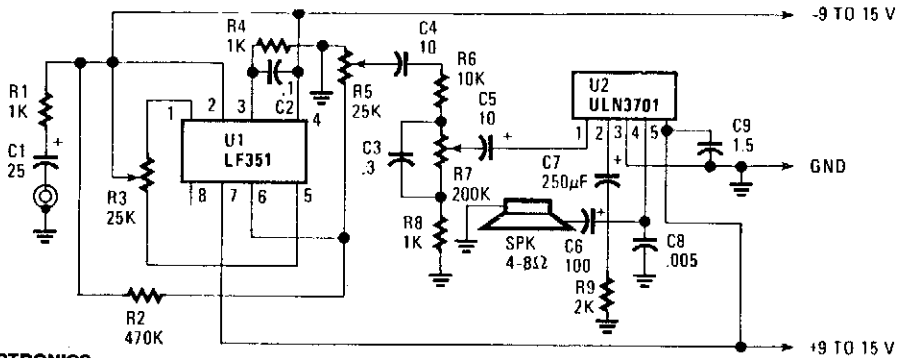


**Fig. 72-2**

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This circuit easily supplements the current-sourcing and current-sinking capability of the CA3130 BiMOS op amp. This arrangement boosts the current-handling capability of the CA3130 output stage by about 2.5 times.

## PORTABLE AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 72-3**

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U1, an FET op amp needs a bipolar voltage at pins 4 and 7 with a common ground for optimum gain. You can calculate the gain by dividing R2 by R1. Zero-set balance can be had through pins 1 and 5 through R3. Put a voltmeter between pin 6 and ground and adjust R3 for zero voltage. Once you've established that, you can measure the ohmic resistance at each side of R3's center tap and replace the potentiometer with fixed resistors. R6, R7, R8, and C3 form a tone control that will give you added bass boost, if needed.

# CLASS-D POWER AMPLIFIER

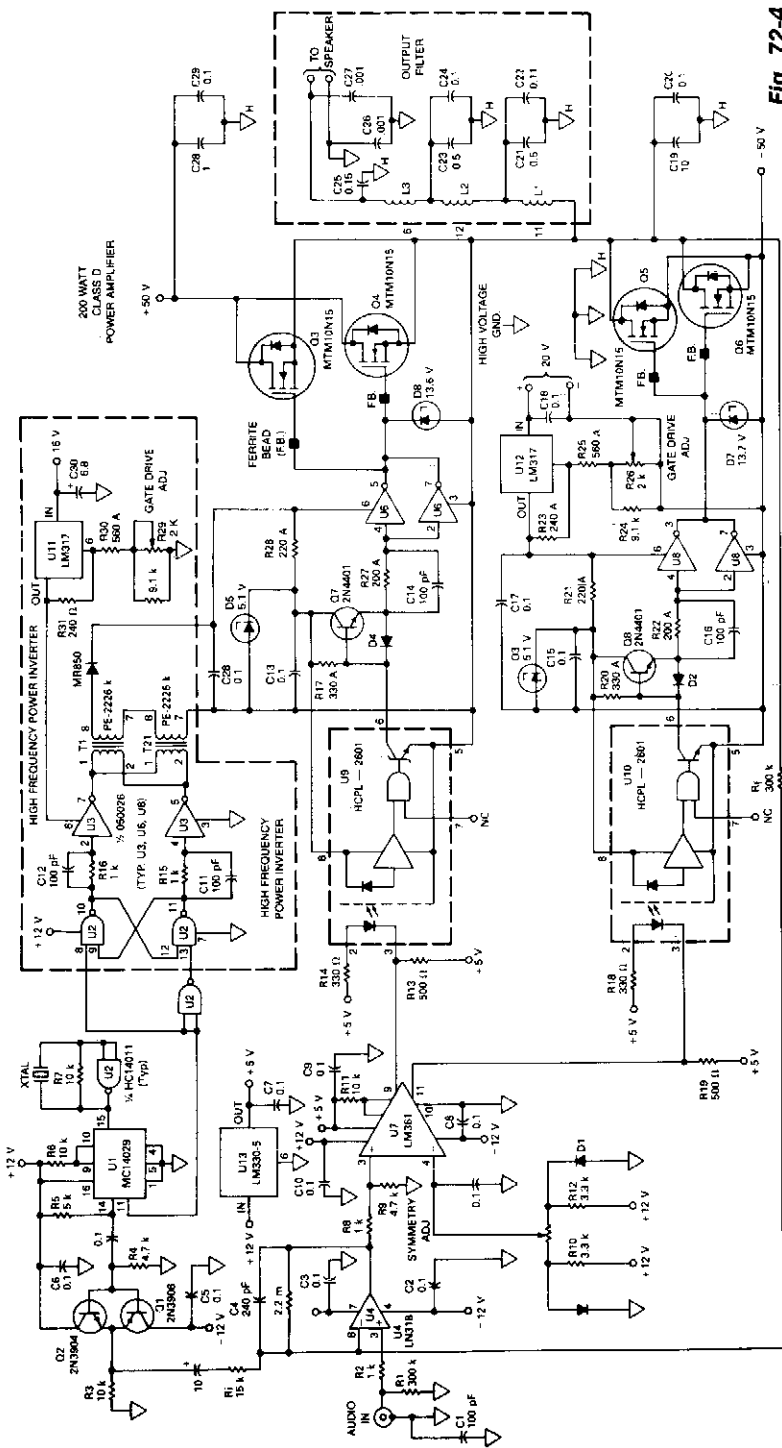


Fig. 72-4

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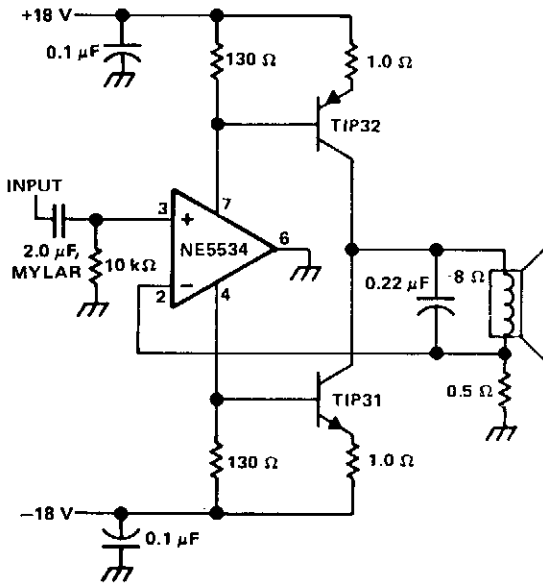
In this circuit, a 2-MHz clock is divided by eight in U1, providing a stable 250-kHz carrier. Q1 and Q2 buffer the clock and provide a low-impedance drive for op amp U4, which is a high-gain amplifier and integrator. U4 accepts audio inputs and converts the 250-kHz square wave into a triangular wave. The summed audio and triangular-wave signal is applied to the input of comparator U7, where it is compared with a dc reference to produce a pulse-width modulated signal at the output of U7.

The output devices switch between the +5 V and -5 V rails in a complementary fashion, driving the output filter that is a sixth-order Butterworth low-pass type, which demodulates the audio and attenuates the carrier and high frequency components. Feedback is provided  $R_f$ ; amplifier gain is  $R_f/R_i$ .

Specifications: 200 W continuous power into a 4- $\Omega$  load; 20 to 20 kHz frequency response  $+0.5$ ,  $-1.0$  dB at 200 W; THD, IMD 0.5% at 200 W; 1.5-V rms input for rated output; 69 dB S/N ratio, A weighting; 6.6-V ms slew rate.



## AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 72-5

The single speaker amplifier circuit uses current feedback, rather than the more popular voltage feedback. The feedback loop is from the junction of the speaker terminal and a 0.5-Ω resistor, to the inverting input of the NE5534. When the input to the amplifier is positive, the power supply supplies current through the TIP32 and the load to ground. Conversely, with a negative input, the TIP31 supplies current through the load to ground. The gain is set to about 15 (gain =  $SPKR\ 8\ \Omega / 0.5\ \Omega$  feedback). The 0.22-μF capacitor across the speaker rolls off its response beyond the frequencies of interest. Using the 0.22-μF capacitor specified, the amplifier current output is 3 dB down at 90 kHz where the speaker impedance is about 20 Ω. To set the recommended class A output collector current, adjust the value of either 130-Ω resistor. An output current of 50 to 100 mA will provide a good operating midpoint between the best crossover distortion and power dissipation.

## 6-W AUDIO AMPLIFIER WITH PREAMP

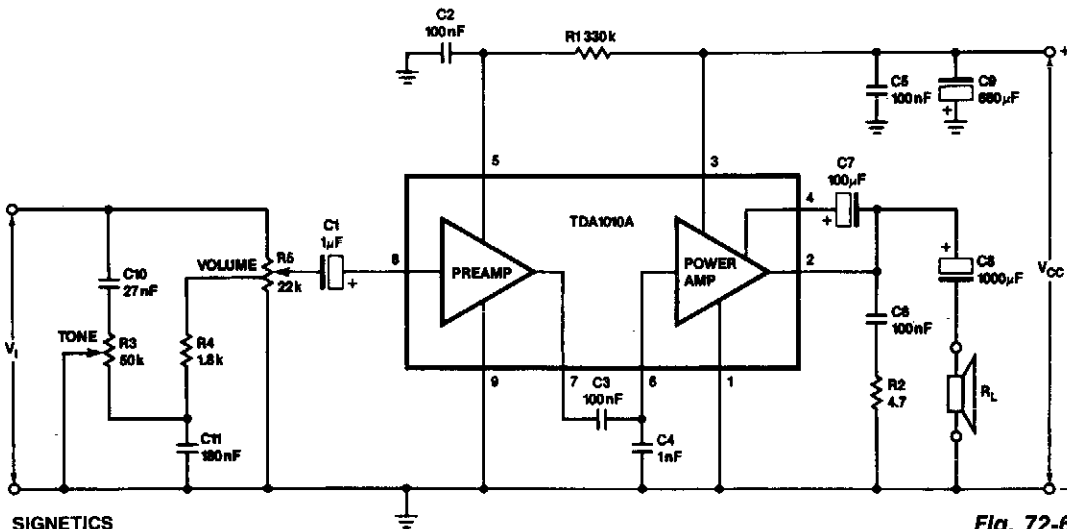
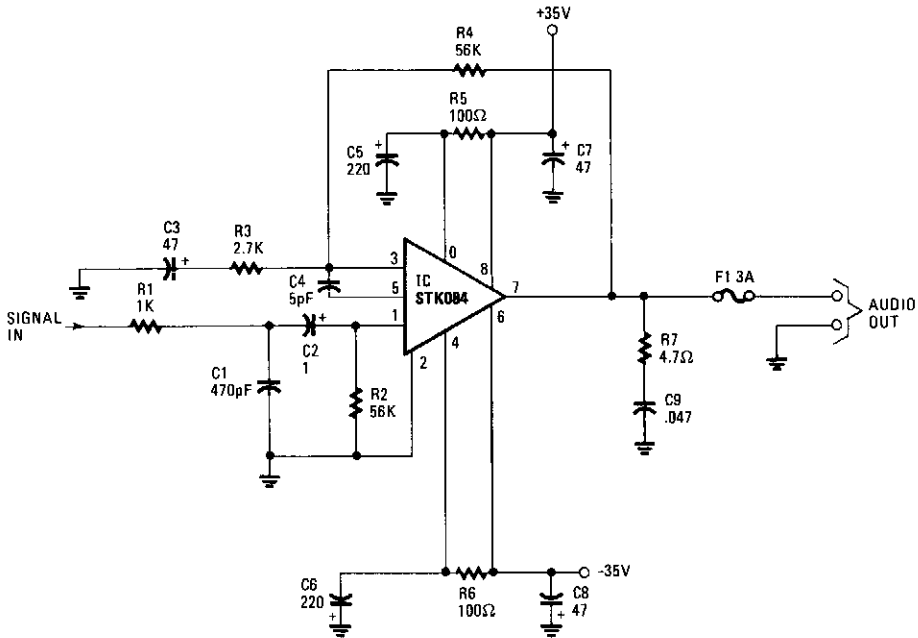


Fig. 72-6

This monolithic IC, class-B, audio amplifier circuit is a 6-W car radio amplifier for use with 4-Ω and 2-Ω load impedances.

## HYBRID POWER AMPLIFIER

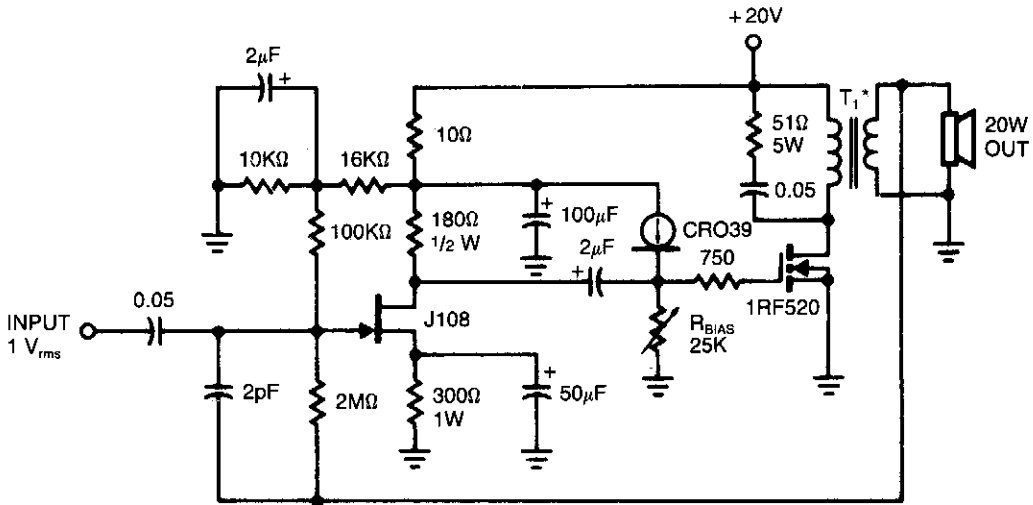


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Fig. 72-7

The input is ac coupled to the amplifier through C2, which blocks dc signals that might also be present at the input. The R1/C1 combination forms a low-pass filter, which eliminates unwanted high-frequency signals by bypassing them to ground when they appear at the circuit input, which has an impedance of about 52  $\Omega$ . The gain of the amplifier is set at about 26 dB by resistors R3 and R4. The R5/C5/C7 combination on the positive supply and its counterpart R6/C6/C8 on the negative supply provides power-supply decoupling. R7 and C9 together prevent oscillation at the output of the amplifier. From that point, the amplifier's output signal is direct coupled to the speaker through a 3-A fuse, F1. The dc output of the amplifier at pin 7 is 0 V, so no dc current flows through the speaker. Should there be a catastrophic failure of the output stage, fuse F1, which should be a fast-acting type, prevents dc from flowing through the speaker.

## 20-W AUDIO AMPLIFIER



ALL RESISTORS 1/4 WATT, UNLESS NOTED  
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Fig. 72-8

This amplifier delivers 20 W into an 8-Ω load using a single IRF520 driving a transformer coupled output stage. This circuit is similar to the audio output stage used in many inexpensive radios and phonographs. Distortion is less than 5% at 10 W, using very little feedback (3%), with the IRF520 biased at 3 A.

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## Fixed Power Supplies

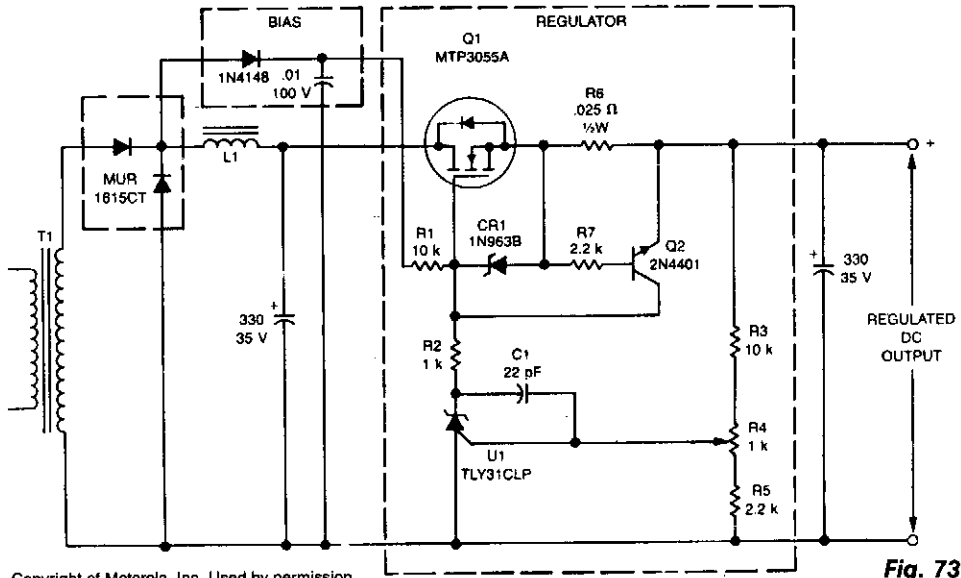
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Switching Power Supply            | Voltage-Controlled Current Source with |
| Low-Cost Low-Dropout Linear       | Grounded Source and Load               |
| Regulator                         | Charge Pool Power Supply               |
| Voltage Doubler                   | Bilateral Current Source               |
| Isolated Feedback Power Supply    | Power Converter                        |
| Hand-Held Transceiver Dc Adapter  | Positive Regulator with PNP Boost      |
| Low-Dropout 5-V Regulator         | Low Forward-Drop Rectifier Circuit     |
| Dual-Tracking Regulator           | Safe Constant-Current Source           |
| + 15 V 1-A Regulated Power Supply | Low-Cost 3-A Switching Regulator       |
| - 15 V 1-A Regulated Power Supply | 50-W Off-Line Switching Power Supply   |
| 12-Vdc Battery-Operated 120-Vac   | Efficient Negative Voltage Regulator   |
| Power Source                      | 5 V-to-Isolated 5 V at 20 mA Converter |
| Simple Power Supply               | Positive Regulator with NPN and        |
| General-Purpose Power Supply      | PNP Boost                              |
| Low-Power Inverter                | High-Current Inductorless Switching    |
| Three-Rail Power Supply           | Regulator                              |
| Programmable Power Supply         | Slow Turn-On 15-V Regulator            |
| Triac-Controlled Voltage Doubler  | Ac Voltage Regulator                   |
| High-Stability 10-V Regulator     | Uninterruptable + 5 V Supply           |



## LOW COST, LOW DROPOUT LINEAR REGULATOR



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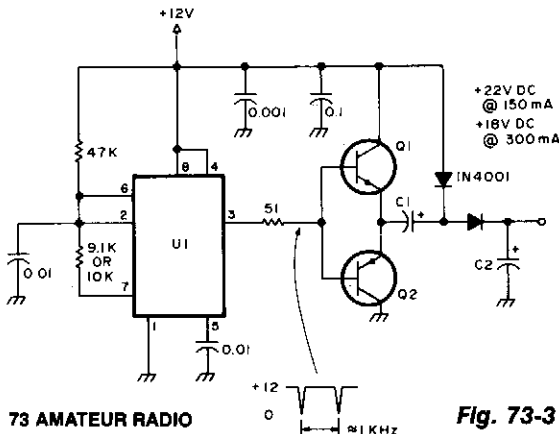
**Fig. 73-2**

This linear post regulator provides 12 V at 3 A. It employs TL431 reference U1 which, without additional amplification, drives TMOS MTP3055A gate Q1 series pass regulator. Bias voltage is applied through R1 to Q1's gate, which is protected against overvoltage by diode CR1. Frequency compensation for closed-loop stability is provided by C1.

Key performance features are:

|                  |            |                  |             |
|------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|
| Dropout voltage: | 0.6 V      | Load regulation: | 10 mV       |
| Line regulation: | $\pm 5$ mV | Output ripple:   | 10 mV pk-pk |

## VOLTAGE DOUBLER



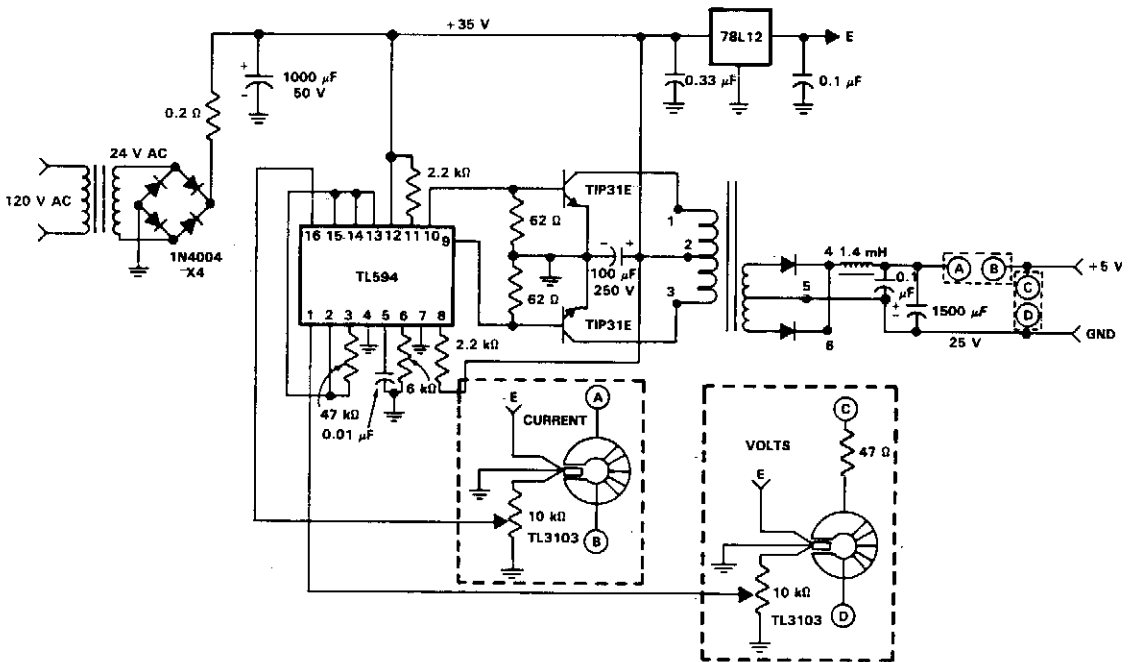
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**Fig. 73-3**

This circuit drives relays of 24 and 18 Vdc from a 12-V power supply. Use this circuit with almost any pnp or npn power transistor.

**Parts:** U1: NE 555 timer. C1 and C2: 50  $\mu$ F/25 Vdc. Q1: TIP 29, TIP120, 2N4922, TIP61, TIP110, or 2N4921. Q2: TIP30, TIP125, 2N4919, TIP62, TIP115, or 2N4918.

## ISOLATED FEEDBACK POWER SUPPLY



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**Fig. 73-4**

Figure 73-4 is a power supply circuit using the isolated feedback capabilities of the TL3103 for both current and voltage sensing. This supply is powered from the ac power line and has an output of 5 V at 1.5 A. Both output voltage and current are sensed and the error voltages are applied to the error amplifiers of the TL594 PWM control IC. The 24-V transformer produces about 35 V at the 1000- $\mu$ F filter capacitor. The 20-kHz switching frequency is set by the 6-K $\Omega$  resistor and the 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor on pins 6 and 5, respectively. The TL594 is set for push-pull operation by typing pin 13 high. The 5-V reference on pin 14 is tied to pin 15, which is the reference of the current error amplifier. The 5-V reference is also tied to pin 2 which is the reference for the output voltage error amplifier. The output voltage and current limit are set by adjustment of the 10-K $\Omega$  pots in the TL3103 error-sensing circuits. A pair of TIP31E npn transistors are used as switching transistors in a push-pull circuit.





## DUAL-TRACKING REGULATOR

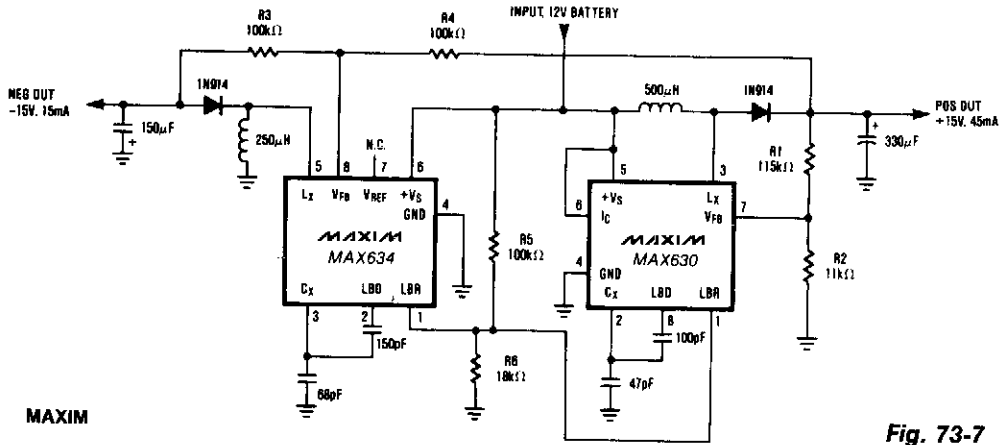


Fig. 73-7

A MAX634 inverting regulator is combined with a MAX630 to provide a dual tracking  $\pm 15$  output from a 12-V battery. The reference for the  $-15$  V output is derived from the positive output via R3 and R4. Both regulators are set to maximize output power at low battery voltages by reducing the oscillator frequency, via LBR, when  $V_{BATT}$  falls to 8.5 V.

## + 15 V 1-A REGULATED POWER SUPPLY

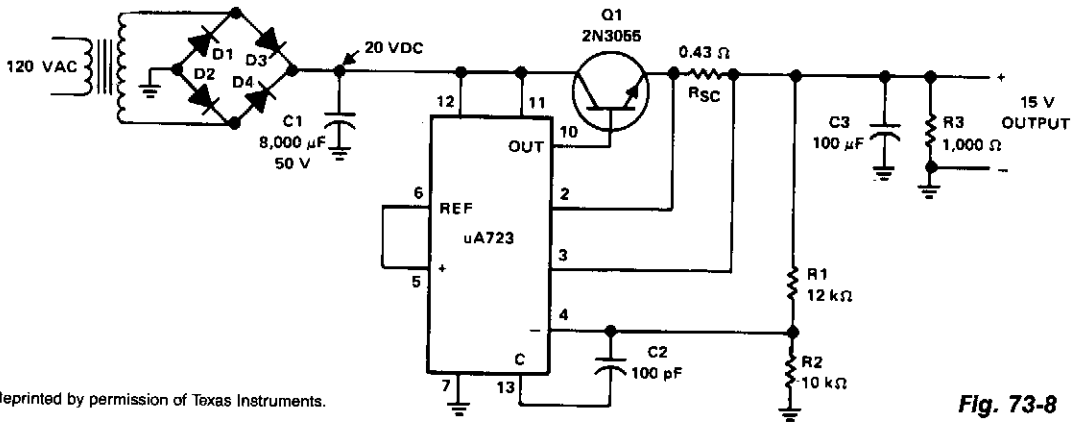


Fig. 73-8

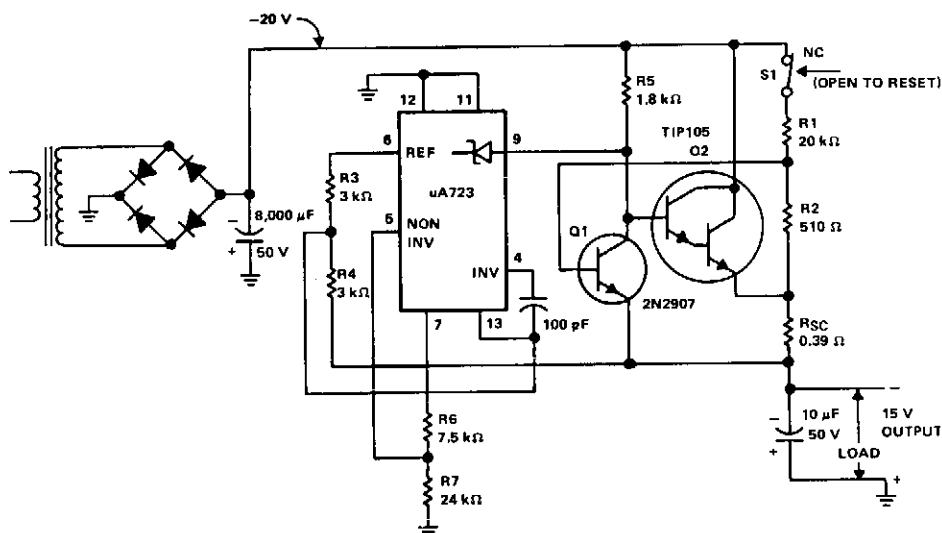
The supply receives +20 Vdc from the rectifier/filter section. This is applied to pins 11 and 12 of the uA723, as well as to the collector of the 2N3055 series-pass transistor. The output voltage is sampled through R1 and R2, providing about 7 V with respect to ground at pin 4. The reference terminal at pin 6 is tied directly to pin 5, the noninverting input of the error amplifier. For fine trimming the output voltage, a potentiometer can be installed between R1 and R2. A 100-pF capacitor from pin 13 to pin 4 furnishes gain compensation for the amplifier.

## + 15 V 1-A REGULATED POWER SUPPLY (Cont.)

Base drive to the 2N3055 pass transistor is furnished by pin 10 of the  $\mu A723$ . Since the desired output of the supply is 1 A, maximum current limit is set to 1.5 A by resistor  $R_{SC}$  whose value is  $0.433 \Omega$ .

A  $100\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  electrolytic capacitor is used for ripple voltage reduction at the output. A  $1\text{-K}\Omega$  output resistor provides stability for the power supply under no-load conditions. The 2N3055 pass transistor must be mounted on an adequate heatsink.

## - 15 V 1-A REGULATED POWER SUPPLY

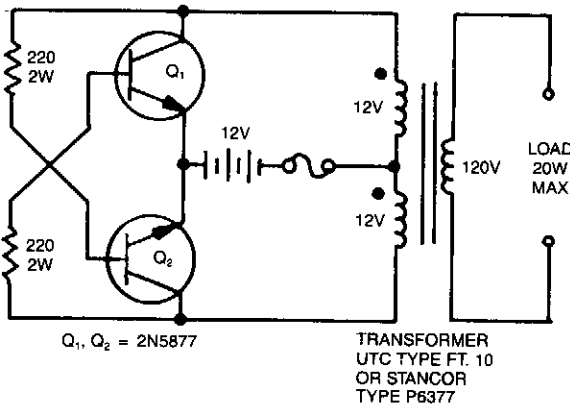


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Fig. 73-9

The supply receives  $-20\text{ V}$  from the rectifier/filter which is fed to the collector of the Darlington pnp pass transistor, a TIP105. The base drive to the TIP105 is supplied through resistor  $R_5$ . The base of the TIP105 is driven from  $V_Z$  terminal at pin 9, which is the anode of a  $6.2\text{-V}$  zener diode that connects to the emitter of the  $\mu A723$  output control transistor. The method of providing the positive feedback required for foldback action is shown. This technique introduces positive feedback by increased current flow through resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  under short-circuit conditions. This forward biases the base-emitter junction of the 2N2907 sensing transistor, which reduces base drive to the TIP105.

## 12-VDC BATTERY-OPERATED 120-VAC POWER SOURCE



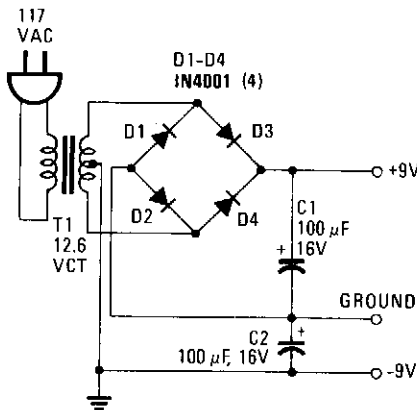
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Fig. 73-10

If Q<sub>1</sub> is faster and has a higher gain than Q<sub>2</sub>, it will turn on first when you apply the input power and will hold Q<sub>2</sub> off. Load current and transformer magnetizing current then flows in the upper half of the primary winding, and auto transformer action supplies the base drive until the transformer saturates. When that action occurs, Q<sub>1</sub> loses its base drive. As it turns off, the transformer voltages reverse, turning Q<sub>2</sub> on and repeating the cycle. The output frequency depends on the transformer iron and input voltage, but not on the load. The frequency will generally range between 50 to 60 Hz with a 60-Hz transformer and car battery or equivalent source. The output voltage depends on turns ratio and the difference between input voltage and transistor saturation voltage. For higher power, use larger transformers and transistors. This type of inverter normally is used in radios, phonographs, hand tools, shavers, and small fluorescent lamps. It will not work with reactive loads (motors) or loads with high inrush currents, such as coffee pots, frying pans, and heaters.

A simple 120 V: 24 V, center-tapped control transformer and four additional components can do the job. This circuit outputs a clean 200 V pk-pk square wave at 60 Hz and can supply up to 20 W. The circuit is self-starting and free-running.

## SIMPLE POWER SUPPLY



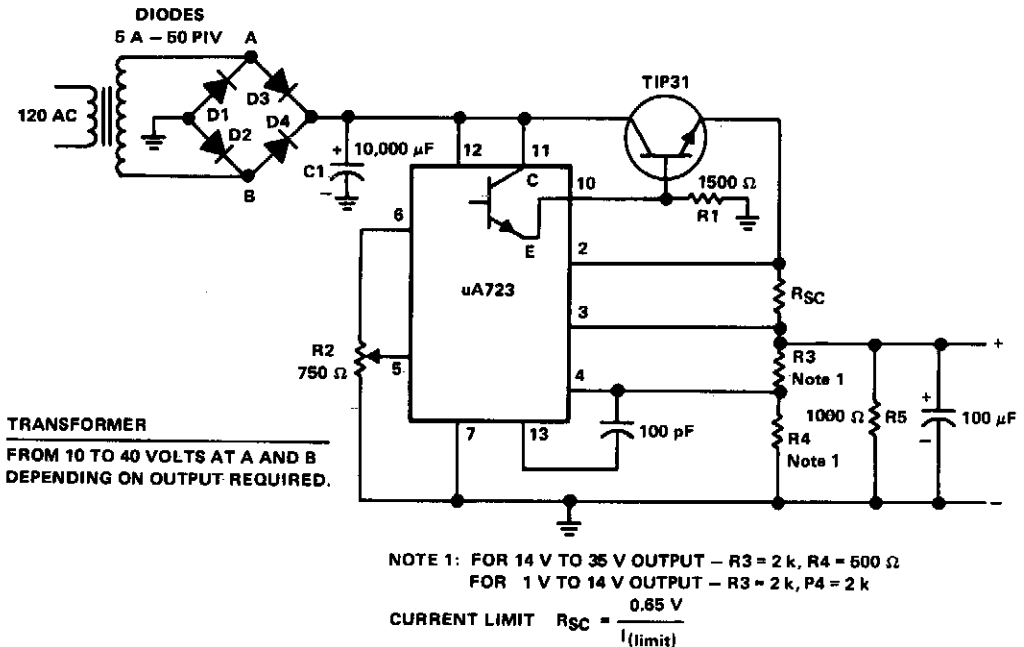
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Fig. 73-11

This power supply delivers plus and minus 9 V to replace two 9-V batteries. The rectifier circuit is actually two separate full-wave rectifiers fed from the secondary of the transformer. One full-wave rectifier is composed of diodes D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>, which develop +9 V, and the other is composed of D<sub>3</sub> and D<sub>4</sub>, which develop -9 V.

Each diode from every pair rectifies 6.3 Vac, half the secondary voltage, and charges the associated filter capacitor to the peak value of the ac waveform,  $6.3 \times 1.414 = 8.9$  V. Each diode should have a PIV, Peak Inverse Voltage, rating that is at least twice the peak voltage from the transformer,  $2 \times 8.9 = 18$  V. The 1N4001 has a PIV of 50 V.

## GENERAL-PURPOSE POWER SUPPLY



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**Fig. 73-12**

The supply 6-66 can be used for supply output voltages from 1 to 35 V. The line transformer should be selected to give about 1.4 times the desired output voltage from the positive side of filter capacitor C1 to ground. Potentiometer R2 sets the output voltage to the desired value by adjusting the reference input.  $R_{SC}$  is the current limit set resistor. Its value is calculated as:

$$R_{SC} = \frac{0.65 \text{ V}}{I_L}$$

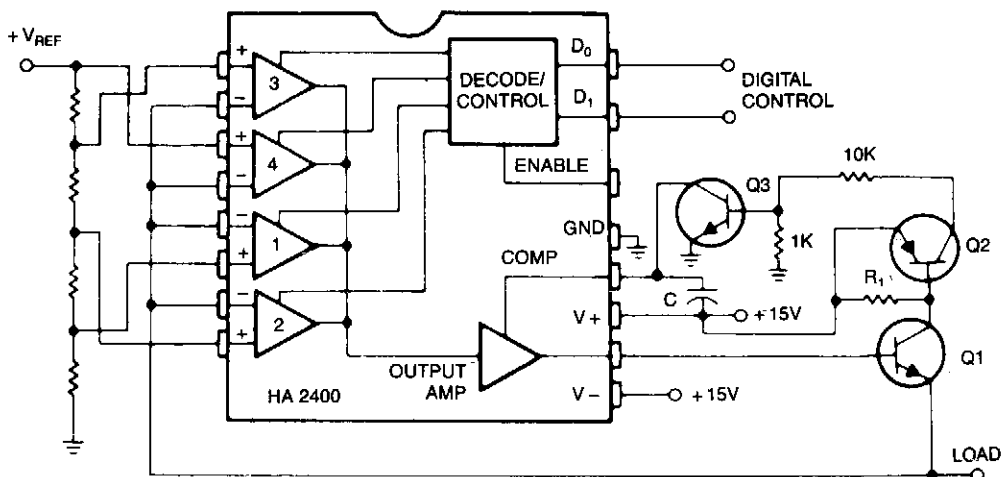
For example, if the maximum current output is to be 1 A,  $R_{SC} = 0.65/1.0 = 0.65 \Omega$ . The 1-K $\Omega$  resistor,  $R_S$ , is a light-loaded resistor designed to improve the no-load stability of the supply.



### THREE-RAIL POWER SUPPLY (Cont.)

This circuit generates three supply voltages using a minimum of components. Diodes D2 and D3 perform full-wave rectification, alternately charging capacitor C2 on both halves of the ac cycle. On the other hand, diode D1 with capacitor C1, and diode D4 with capacitor C3 each perform half-wave rectification. The full- and half-wave rectification arrangement is satisfactory for modest supply currents drawn from  $-5$  and  $+12$ -V regulators IC3 and IC2. You can use this circuit as an auxiliary supply in an up-based instrument, for example, and avoid the less attractive alternatives of buying a custom-wound transformer, building a more complex supply, or using a secondary winding, say 18 Vac, and wasting power in the 5-V regulators.

### PROGRAMMABLE POWER SUPPLY

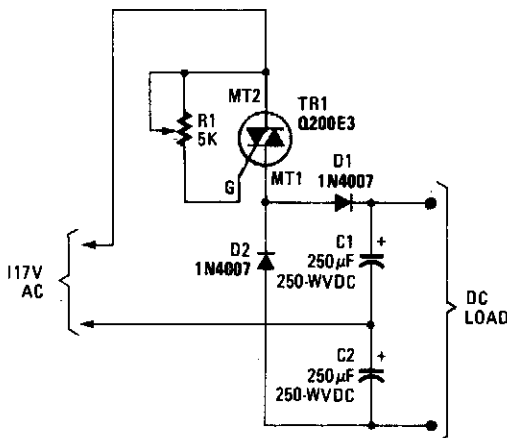


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Fig. 73-15

Many systems require one or more relatively low-current voltage sources which can be programmed to a few predetermined levels. The circuit shown above produces positive output levels, but could be modified for negative or bipolar outputs. Q1 is the series regulator transistor, selected for the required current and power capability. R1, Q2, and Q3 form an optional short circuit protection circuit, with R1 chosen to drop about 0.7 V at the maximum output current. The compensation capacitor, C, should be chosen to keep the overshoot, when switching, to an acceptable level.

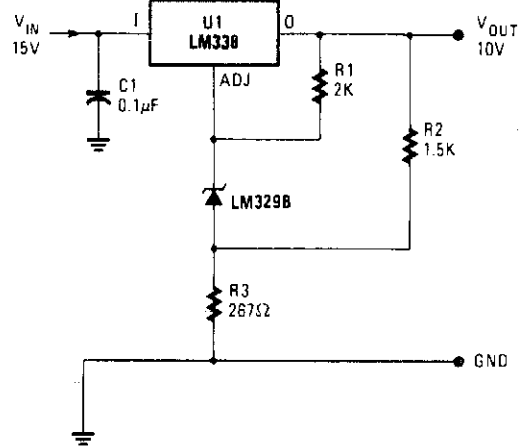
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Fig. 73-16

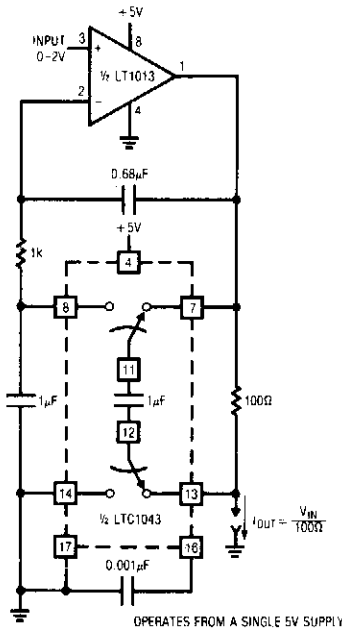
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Fig. 73-17

### VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CURRENT SOURCE WITH GROUNDED SOURCE AND LOAD

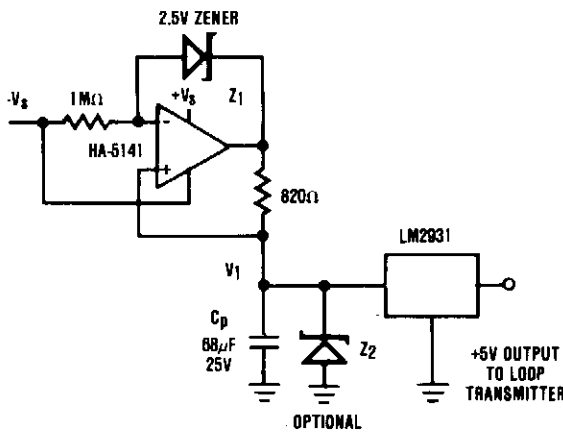


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Fig. 73-18

This is a simple, precise voltage-controlled current source. Bipolar supplies will permit bipolar output. Configurations featuring a grounded voltage-control source and a grounded load are usually more complex and depend upon several components for stability. In this circuit, accuracy and stability almost entirely depend upon the 100-Ω shunt.

## CHARGE POOL POWER SUPPLY



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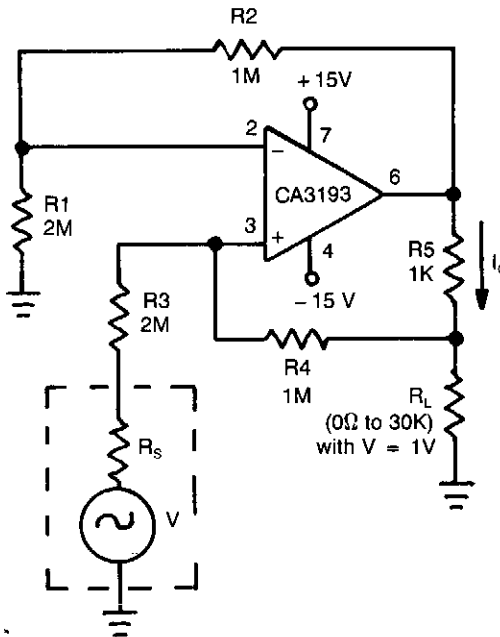
Fig. 73-19

It is usually desirable to have the remote transmitter of a 4 to 20 mA current loop system powered directly from the transmission line. In some cases, this is not possible because of the high-power requirements set by the remote sensor/transmitter

system. In these cases, an alternative to the separate power supply is still possible. If the remote transmitter can be operated in a pulsed mode where it is active only long enough to perform its function, then a charge pool power supply can still allow the transmitter to be powered directly by the current loop. In this circuit, constant current  $I_1$  is supplied to the charge pool capacitor, CP, by the HA-5141 (where  $I_1 = 3 \text{ mA}$ ). The voltage  $V_1$  continues to rise until the output of the HA-5141 approaches  $+V_s$  or the optional voltage limiting provided by Z2. The LM2931 voltage regulator supplies the transmitter with a stable +5 V supply from the charge collected by CP. Available power supply current is determined by the duration, allowable voltage droop on CP, and required repetition rate. For example, if  $V_1$  is allowed to droop 4.4 V and the duration of operation is 1 ms, the available power supply current is approximately:

$$= CP \frac{dV_1}{dt} = 68\mu\text{F} \times \frac{4.4 \text{ V}}{1 \text{ ms}} = 30 \text{ mA}$$

## BILATERAL CURRENT SOURCE



ALL RESISTORS ARE 1%  
ALL RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS  
IF  $R_1 = R_3$  AND  $R_2 \approx R_4 + R_5$  THEN

$I_L$  IS INDEPENDENT OF VARIATIONS IN  $R_L$   
FOR  $R_L$  VALUES OF  $0\Omega$  TO  $3K\Omega$  WITH  $V = 1\text{V}$

$$I_L = \frac{V R_4}{R_3 R_5} = \frac{V 1\text{M}}{(2\text{M})(1\text{K})} = \frac{V}{2\text{K}} = 500\mu\text{A}$$

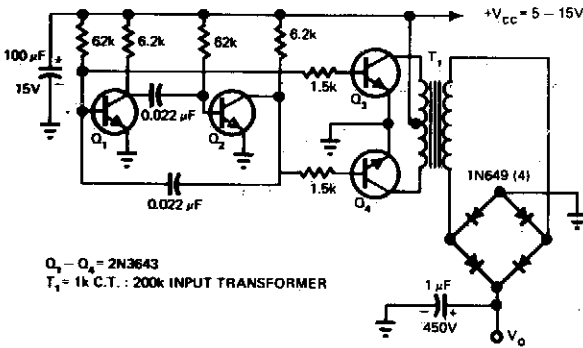
GE/RCA

Fig. 73-20

This circuit uses a CA3193 precision op amp to deliver a current independent of variations in  $R_L$ . With  $R_1$  set equal to  $R_3$ , and  $R_2$  approximately equal to  $R_4 + R_5$ , the output current,  $I_L$ , is:  $V_{IN} (R_4)/(R_3) (R_5)$ . 500- $\mu\text{A}$  load current is constant for load values from 0 to 3  $\Omega$ .

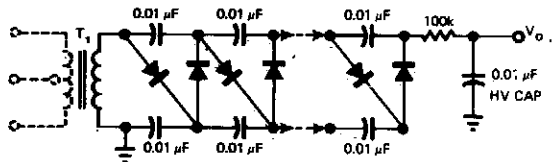
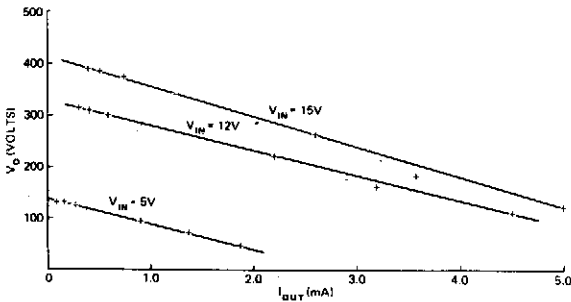


## POWER CONVERTER



$Q_1 - Q_2 = 2N3643$   
 $T_1 = 1k \text{ C.T.} : 200k \text{ INPUT TRANSFORMER}$

| INPUT AND OUTPUT PARAMETERS FOR LOW COST POWER CONVERTER |               |            |               |           |              |          |
|--|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| $V_{IN} = 5V$  |               |            |               |           |              |          |
| $R_L$ (OHMS)   | $V_O$ (VOLTS) | $I_O$ (mA) | $I_{IN}$ (mA) | $P_O$ (W) | $P_{IN}$ (W) | EFF. (%) |
| 0  | 160           | 0          | 22            | 0         | 0.11         | —        |
| 1 M  | 130           | 0.13       | 25            | 0.017     | 0.125        | 14       |
| 750k   | 130           | 0.17       | 26            | 0.022     | 0.130        | 17       |
| 510k   | 125           | 0.25       | 27            | 0.031     | 0.135        | 23       |
| 100k   | 90            | 0.90       | 42            | 0.081     | 0.210        | 39       |
| 51k  | 70            | 1.37       | 60            | 0.096     | 0.300        | 32       |
| 24k  | 45            | 1.88       | 60            | 0.085     | 0.300        | 38       |
| $V_{IN} = 12V$   |               |            |               |           |              |          |
| $R_L$ (OHMS)   | $V_O$ (VOLTS) | $I_O$ (mA) | $I_{IN}$ (mA) | $P_O$ (W) | $P_{IN}$ (W) | EFF. (%) |
| 0  | 415           | 0          | 60            | 0         | 0.720        | —        |
| 1 M  | 315           | 0.32       | 65            | 0.10      | 0.78         | 13       |
| 750k   | 310           | 0.41       | 65            | 0.13      | 0.78         | 17       |
| 510k   | 300           | 0.59       | 70            | 0.18      | 0.84         | 21       |
| 100k   | 220           | 2.20       | 100           | 0.48      | 1.20         | 40       |
| 51k  | 165           | 3.24       | 120           | 0.54      | 1.44         | 38       |
| 24k  | 110           | 4.58       | 140           | 0.50      | 1.68         | 30       |
| $V_{IN} = 15V$   |               |            |               |           |              |          |
| $R_L$ (OHMS)   | $V_O$ (VOLTS) | $I_O$ (mA) | $I_{IN}$ (mA) | $P_O$ (W) | $P_{IN}$ (W) | EFF. (%) |
| 0  | 520           | 0          | 80            | 0         | 1.2          | —        |
| 1 M  | 390           | 0.39       | 80            | 0.15      | 1.2          | 13       |
| 750k   | 385           | 0.51       | 85            | 0.196     | 1.28         | 15       |
| 510k   | 375           | 0.74       | 90            | 0.28      | 1.35         | 21       |
| 100k   | 260           | 2.6        | 120           | 0.68      | 1.8          | 38       |
| 51k  | 180           | 3.57       | 140           | 0.65      | 2.1          | 31       |
| 24k  | 120           | 5.0        | 160           | 0.60      | 2.4          | 25       |



- ADD ADDITIONAL STAGES AS REQUIRED
- DIODES ARE 1N649 OR EQUIVALENT
- CAPACITORS ARE CERAMIC DISC 1 kV

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Fig. 73-21

This circuit consists of an astable multivibrator driving a push-pull pair of transistors into the transformer primary. The multivibrator frequency should equal around 1 or 2 kHz. For higher dc voltages, voltage multipliers on the secondary circuit have been used successfully to generate 10 kV from a 40-stage multiplier like the one shown.







## EFFICIENT NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATOR

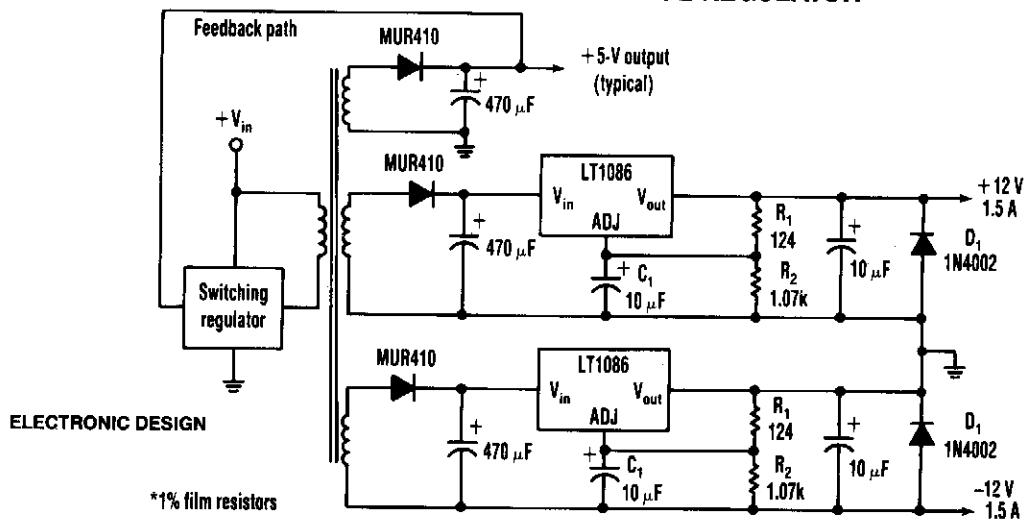


Fig. 73-27

One way to provide good negative-voltage regulation is with a low-dropout positive-voltage regulator operating from a well-isolated secondary winding of switch-mode circuit transformer. The technique works with any positive-voltage regulator, although highest efficiency occurs with low-dropout types.

Under all loading conditions, the minimum voltage difference between the regulator  $V_{IN}$  and  $V_{OUT}$  pins must be at least 1.5 V, the LT1086's low-dropout voltage. If this requirement isn't met, the output falls out of regulation. Two programming resistors,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , set the output voltage to 12 V, and the LT1086's servo the voltage between the output and its adjusting (ADJ) terminals to 1.25 V. Capacitor  $C_1$  improves ripple rejection, and protection diode  $D_1$  eliminates common-load problems.

Since a secondary winding is galvanically isolated, a regulator's 12 V output can be referenced to ground. Therefore, in the case of a negative-voltage output, the positive-voltage terminal of the regulator connects to ground, and the -12 V output comes off the anode of  $D_1$ . The  $V_{IN}$  terminal floats at 1.5 V or more above ground.

## 5 V-TO-ISOLATED 5 V AT 20 MA CONVERTER

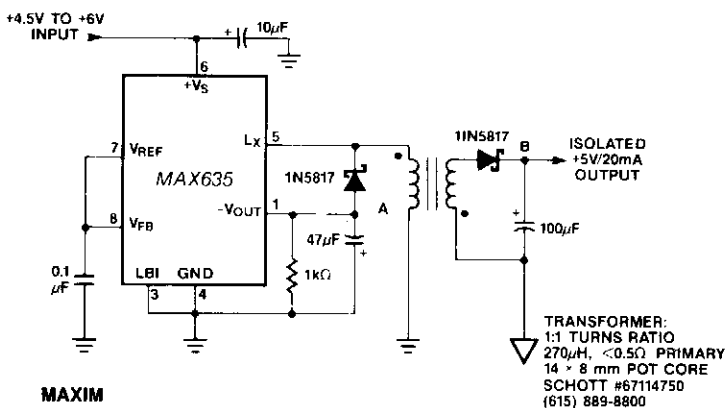
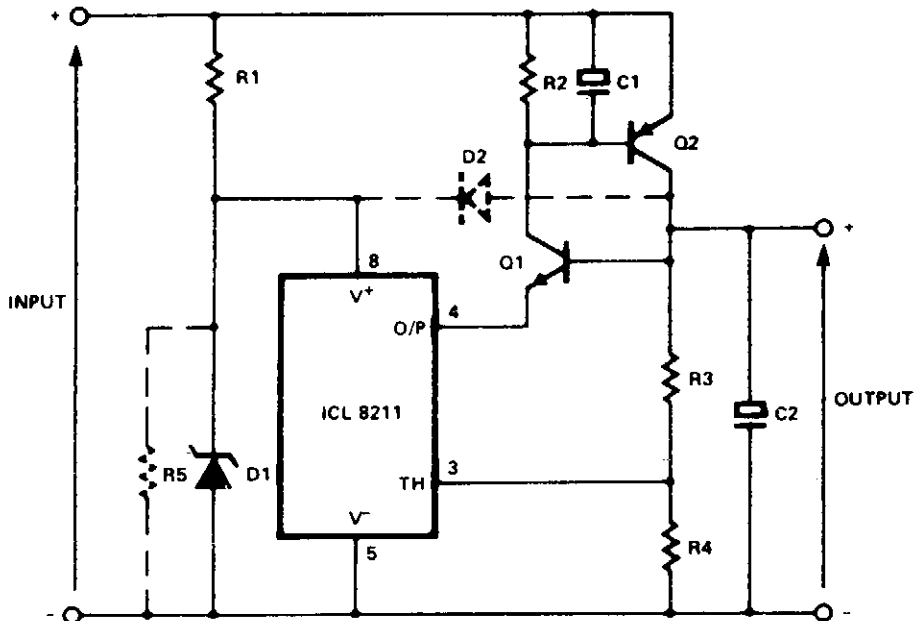


Fig. 73-28

## 5 V-TO-ISOLATED 5 V AT 20 MA CONVERTER (Cont.)

In this circuit, a negative output voltage dc-dc converter generates a  $-5\text{ V}$  output at pin A. In order to generate  $-5\text{ V}$  at point A, the primary of the transformer must fly back to a diode drop more negative than  $-5\text{ V}$ . If the transformer has a tightly coupled 1/1 turns ratio, there will be a  $5\text{ V}$  plus a diode drop across the secondary. The 1N5817 rectifies this secondary voltage to generate an isolated  $5\text{-V}$  output. The isolated output is not fully regulated since only the  $-5\text{ V}$  at point A is sensed by the MAX635.

## POSITIVE REGULATOR WITH NPN AND PNP BOOST

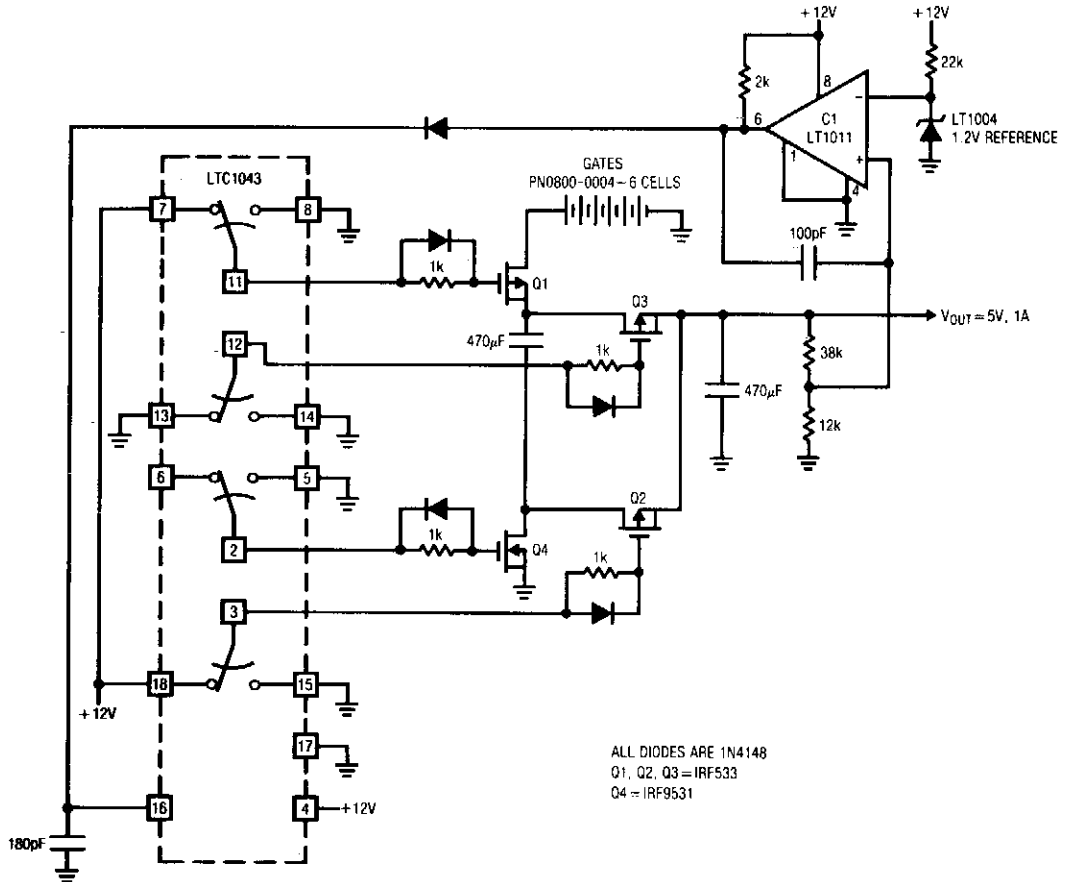


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Fig. 73-29

In the circuit, Q1 and Q2 are connected in the classic SCR or thyristor configuration. Where higher input voltages or minimum component count are required, the circuit for thyristor boost can be used. The thyristor is running in a linear mode with its cathode as the control terminal and its gate as the output terminal. This is known as the remote base configuration.

## HIGH-CURRENT INDUCTORLESS, SWITCHING REGULATOR

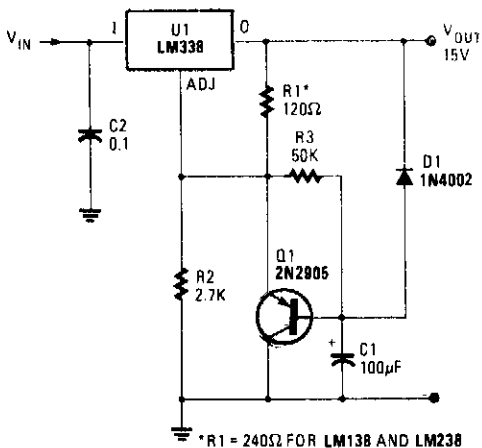


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

**Fig. 73-30**

The LTC10432 switched-capacitor building block provides nonoverlapping complementary drive to the Q1 to Q4 power MOSFETs. The MOSFETs are arranged so that C1 and C2 are alternately placed in series and then parallel. During the series phase, the +12 V battery's current flows through both capacitors, charging them, and furnishing load current. During the parallel phase, both capacitors deliver current to the load. Q1 and Q2 receive similar drive from pins 3 and 11. The diode-resistor networks provide additional nonoverlapping drive characteristics, preventing simultaneous drive to the series-parallel phase switches. Normally, the output would be one-half of the supply voltage, but C1 and its associated components close a feedback loop, forcing the output to 5 V. With the circuit in the series phase, the output heads rapidly positive. When the output exceeds 5 V, C1 trips, forcing the LTC1043 oscillator pin, trace D, high; this truncates the LTC1043's triangular-wave oscillator cycle. The circuit is forced into the parallel phase and the output coasts down slowly, until the next LTC1043 clock cycle begins. C1's output diode prevents the triangle down-slope from being affected and the 100-pF capacitor provides sharp transitions. The loop regulates the output to 5 V by feedback controlling the turn-off point of the series phase.

### SLOW TURN-ON 15 V REGULATOR

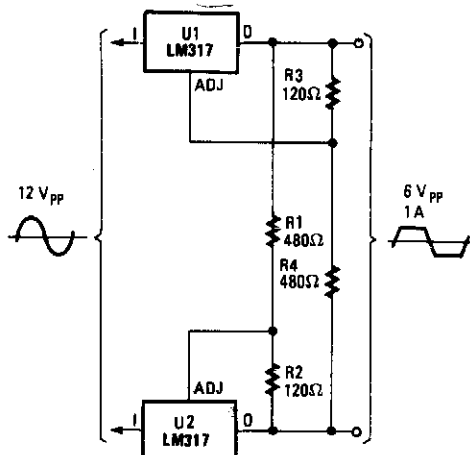


\*R1 = 240Ω FOR LM138 AND LM238

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Fig. 73-31

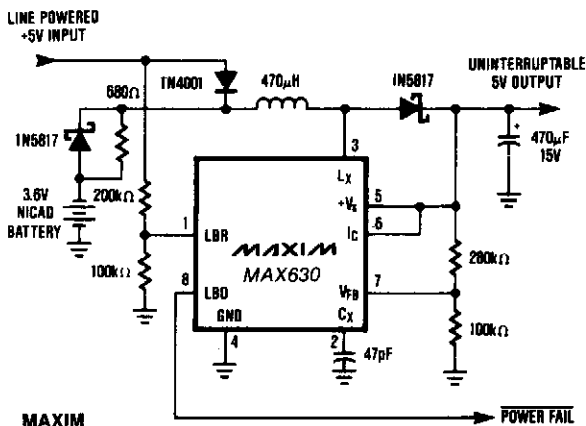
### AC VOLTAGE REGULATOR



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Fig. 73-32

### UNINTERRUPTABLE +5 V SUPPLY



MAXIM

POWER FAIL

Fig. 73-33

This circuit provides a continuous supply of regulated +5 V, with automatic switch-over between line power and battery backup. When the line-powered input voltage is a +5 V, it provides 4.4 V to the MAX630 and trickle charges the battery. If the line-powered input falls below the battery voltage, the 3.6 V battery supplies power to the MAX630, which boosts the battery-voltage up to +5 V, thus maintaining a continuous supply to the uninterruptable +5 V bus. Since the +5 V output is always supplied through the MAX630, there are no power spikes or glitches during power transfer. The MAX630's low-battery detector monitors the line-powered +5 V, and the LBD output can be used to shut down unnecessary sections of the system during power failures. Alternatively, the low-battery detector could monitor the NiCad battery voltage and provide warning of power loss when the battery is nearly discharged. Unlike battery backup systems that use 9-V batteries, this circuit does not need +12 or +15 V to recharge the battery. Consequently, it can be used to provide +5 V backup on modules or circuit cards which only have 5 V available.



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## High-Voltage Power Supplies

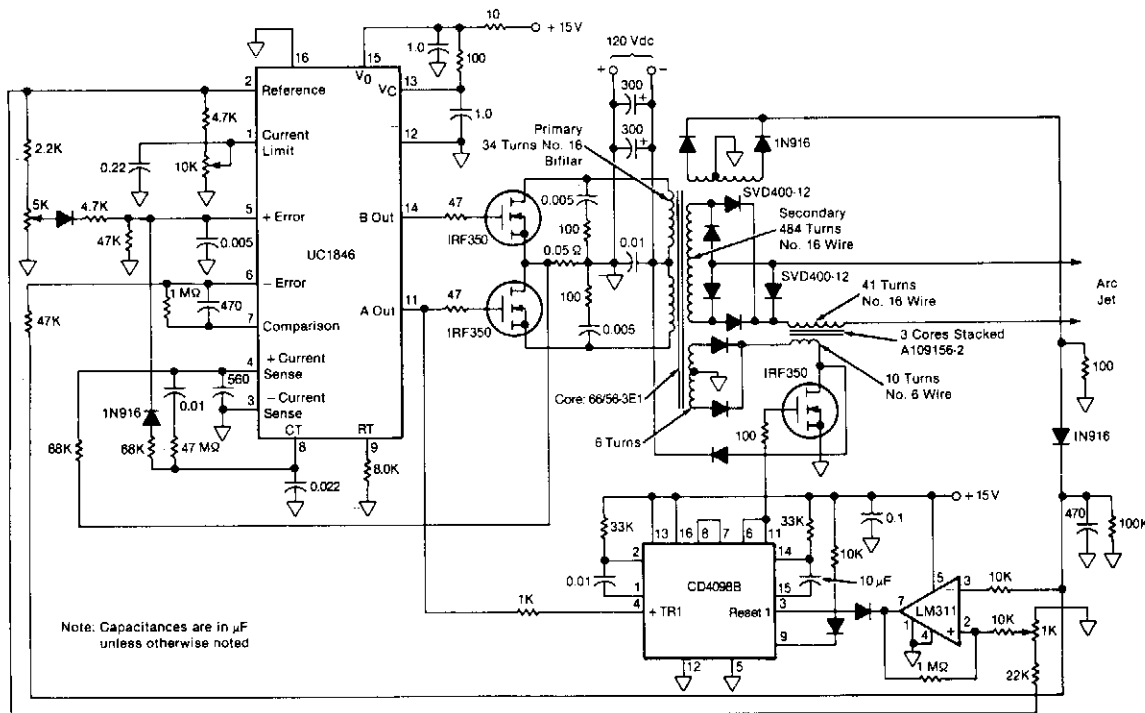
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Arc-Jet Power Supply and Starting  
Circuit  
Preregulated High-Voltage Supply  
High-Voltage Bucking Regulator  
High-Voltage Dc Generator  
Battery-Powered High-Voltage  
Generator  
Optoisolated High-Voltage Driver

Simple High-Voltage Supply  
High-Voltage Inverter  
High-Voltage Regulator  
Capacitor-Discharge High-Voltage  
Generator  
Remotely Adjustable Solid-State  
High-Voltage Supply

## ARC-JET POWER SUPPLY AND STARTING CIRCUIT

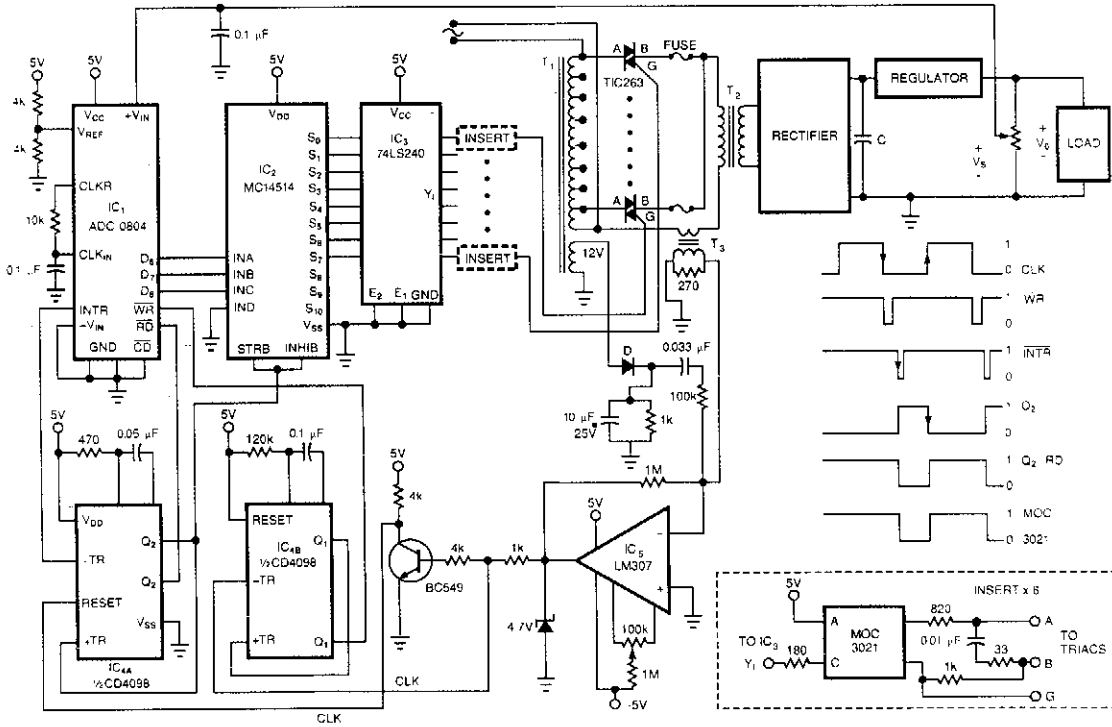


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**Fig. 74-1**

This circuit for starting arc jets and controlling them in steady operation is capable of high power efficiency and can be constructed in a lightweight form. The design comprises a pulse-width-modulated power converter, which is configured in a closed control loop for fast current control. The series averaging inductor maintains nearly constant current during rapid voltage changes, and thereby allows time for the fast-response regulator to adjust its pulse width to accommodate load-voltage changes. The output averaging inductor doubles as the high-voltage pulse transformer for ignition. The starting circuit operates according to the same principle as that of an automobile ignition coil. When the current is interrupted by a transistor switch, the inductor magnetic field collapses, and a high-voltage pulse is produced. The pulse is initiated every 0.25 second until arc current is detected, then the pulser is automatically turned off.

## PREREGULATED HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY



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Fig. 74-2

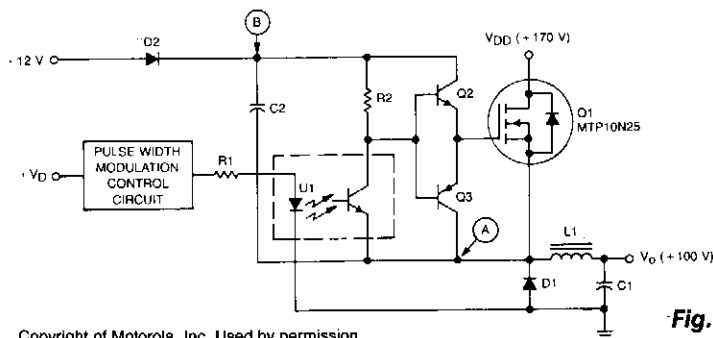
One of the control circuit's triacs selects the tap on main transformer T1, which provides the proper, prereregulated voltage to the secondary regulator. T2 and its associated components comprise the secondary regulator.

The ADC 0804, IC1, digitizes a voltage-feedback signal from the secondary regulator's output. The MC1415 demultiplexer, IC2, decodes the digitizer's output. IC2, in turn, drives T1's optoisolated triacs via the 74LS240 driver chip, IC3, and associated optoisolators.

Transformer T3 samples the circuit's current output. The auxiliary, 12 V winding on T1 ensures no-load starting. The combination of op amp IC5 and the inverting transistor, Q1, square this current signal. The output of Q1 is the CLK signal, which triggers one-half of the one shot, IC4A, to begin the circuit's A/D conversion. The one shots' periods are set to time out within 1/2 cycle of the ac input.

Upon completion of its A/D conversion, IC1's INTR output triggers the other half of the one shot, IC4B, which enables the converter's data outputs. The rising edge of the CLK signal resets the one shot and latches the new conversion value into IC2. The latch, associated driver, and optoisolator trigger a selected triac according to the latest value of the voltage-feedback signal,  $V_o$ .

## HIGH-VOLTAGE BUCKING REGULATOR



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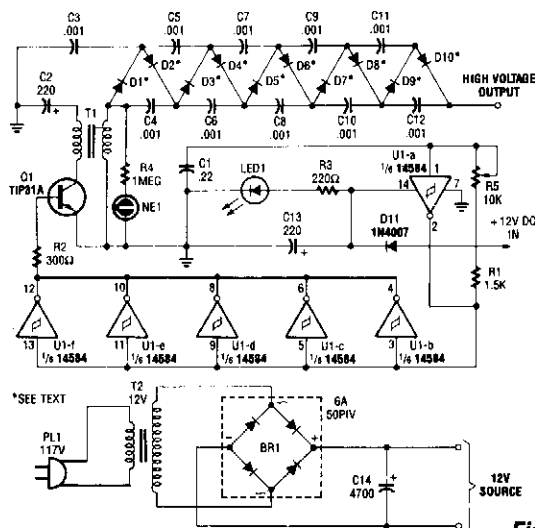
Fig. 74-3

This circuit is basically the classic bucking regulator, except it uses a TMOS N-channel power FET for the chopper and creates its own supply for the gate control.

The unique aspect of this circuit is how it generates a separate supply for the gate circuit, which must be greater than  $V_{DD}$ . When power is applied, C2 charges, through D2, to +12 V. At this time, Q1 is off and the voltage at point A is just below zero. When the pulse-modulated signal is applied, the optoisolator transistors, Q2 and Q3, supply a signal to Q1 that turns it on. The voltage at point A then goes to  $V_{DD}$ , C2 back-biases D2, and the voltage at point B becomes 12 V above  $V_{DD}$ .

After Q1 is turned on, current starts to flow through L1 into C1, increasing until Q1 turns off. The current still wants to flow through L1, so the voltage at point A moves toward negative infinity, but is clamped by D1 to just below zero. Current flows less and less into C1, until Q1 turns on again. Q2 and Q3 drive Q1's gate between the voltages at point A and B, which is always a 12 V swing, so  $V_{GS}$  max. is never exceeded. For proper operation, the 12-V supply has to be established before the pulse-width modulator signal is applied.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE DC GENERATOR

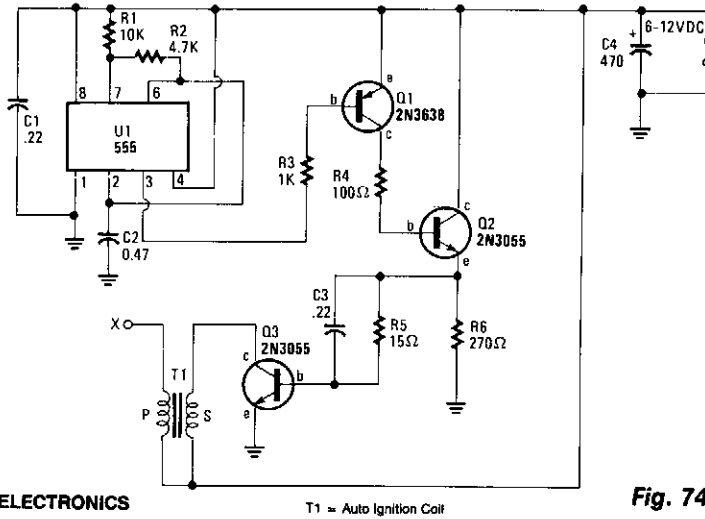


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Fig. 74-4

This circuit is fed from a 12-Vdc power supply. The input to the circuit is then amplified to provide a 10,000-Vdc output. The output of the up-converter is then fed into a 10 stage, high-voltage multiplier to produce an output of 10,000 Vdc.

## BATTERY-POWERED HIGH-VOLTAGE GENERATOR



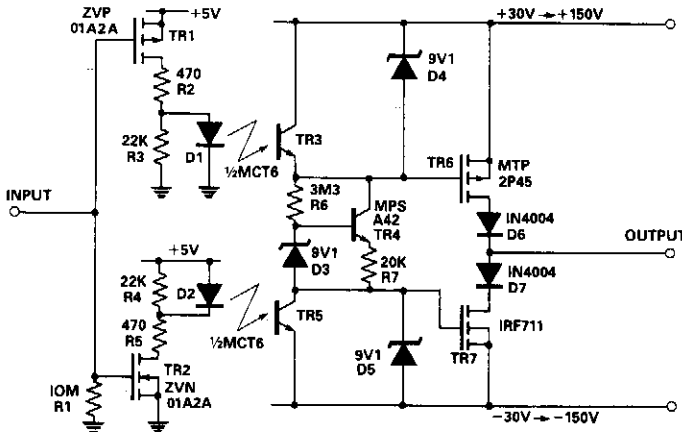
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

T1 = Auto Ignition Coil

Fig. 74-5

Output voltage great enough to jump a 1-inch gap can be obtained from a 12-V power source. A 555 timer IC is connected as an astable multivibrator that produces a narrow negative pulse at pin 3. The pulse turns Q1 on for the duration of the time period. The collector of Q1 is direct-coupled to the base of the power transistor Q2, turning it on during the same time period. The emitter of Q2 is direct-coupled through current limiting resistor R5 to the base of the power transistor. Q3 switches on, producing a minimum resistance between the collector and emitter. The high-current pulse going through the primary of high-voltage transformer T1 generates a very high pulse voltage at its secondary output terminal (labeled X). The pulse frequency is determined by the values of R1, R2, and C2. The values given in the parts list were chosen to give the best possible performance when an auto-ignition coil is used for T1.

## OPTOISOLATED HIGH-VOLTAGE DRIVER



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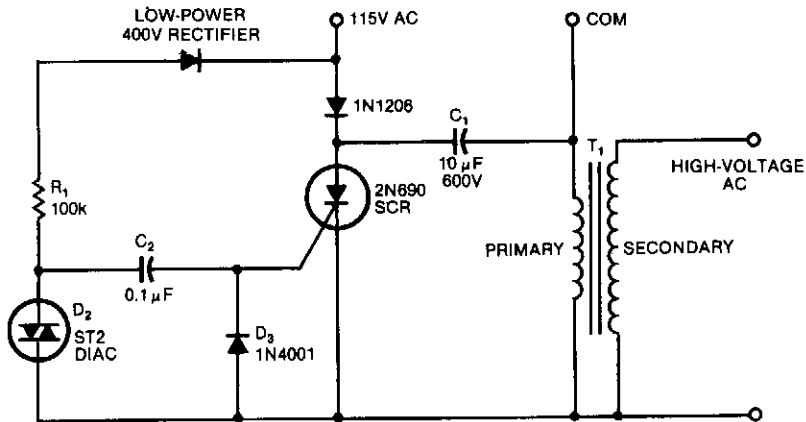
Fig. 74-6

## OPTOISOLATED HIGH-VOLTAGE DRIVER (Cont.)

This circuit takes as an input a signal from a 5-V CMOS logic circuit and outputs a high voltage of the same polarity. The high-voltage supply can be varied from  $\pm 30$  V to  $\pm 150$  V without the need to change circuit components. The input voltage is applied to the gates of transistors TR1 and TR2.

TR3 is optically coupled to D1 as is TR5 to D2. R5 limits the current through D2, while R3 and R4 reduce the effects of leakage current. The light transmitted by D1 turns TR3 on and discharges the gate-source capacitance of TR6, which turns TR6 off. At the same time, TR5 is off and a constant current produced by R6, R7, D3, and TR4 charges the gate-sourced capacitance of TR7, thus turning TR7 on. With TR7 on and TR6 off, the output is pulled close to the lower supply rail. When the input is high, TR1 is off and TR2 is on. Therefore, D2 conducts, which turns on TR5. With TR3 off and TR5 on, TR6 turns on and TR7 off. The output is pulled towards the higher supply rail.

### SIMPLE HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY



#### NOTES:

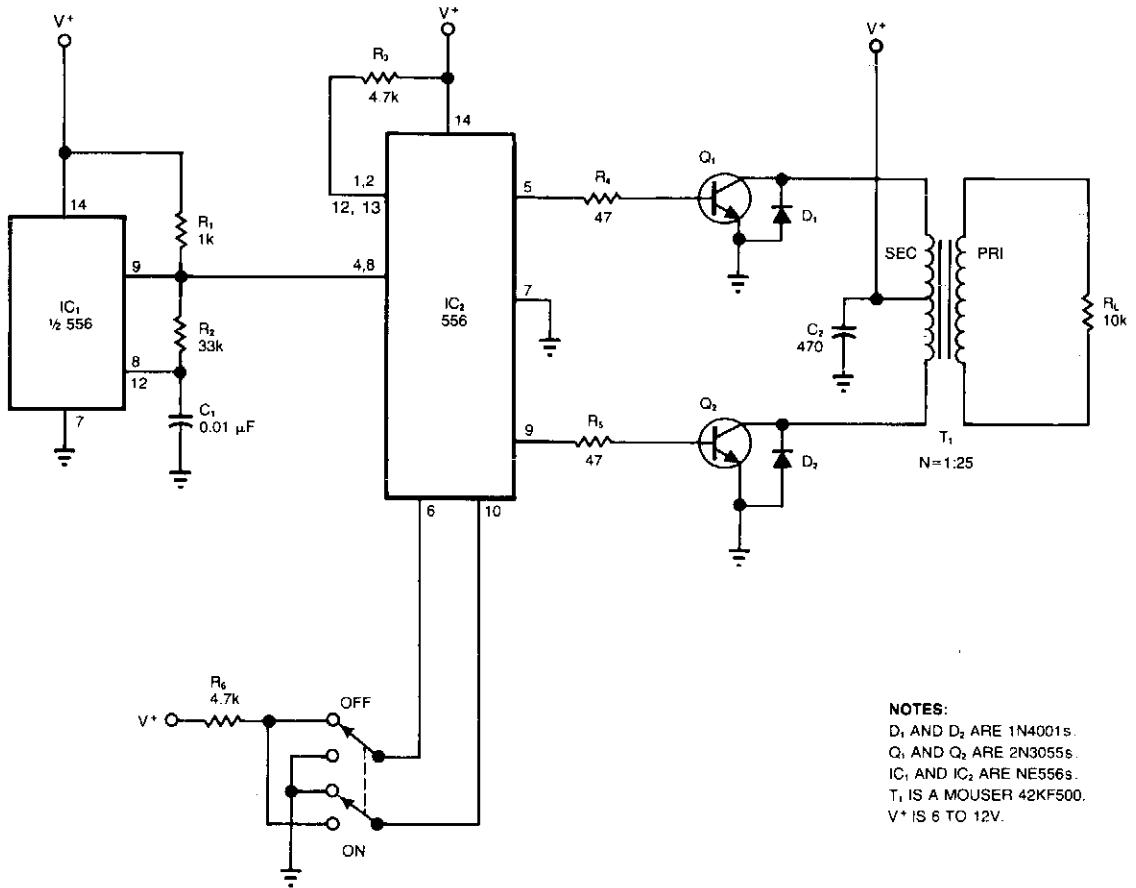
- $T_1 = 8$  mH AT 5A DC, 1:230 TO 1:500 TURNS RATIO, 0.45 $\Omega$ -PRIMARY-RESISTANCE, 10-k $\Omega$ -SECONDARY-RESISTANCE AUTOMOBILE IGNITION COIL
- $C_1 = 10$ - $\mu$ F, 600 WV DC, OIL-FILLED PAPER CAPACITOR

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Fig. 74-7

This circuit can generate high-voltage pulses with an inexpensive auto ignition coil. Add a rectifier on the output and the circuit produces high-voltage dc. The circuit's input is 115 Vac. During the input's positive half cycle, energy is stored in capacitor C1, which is charged via diode D1 and the primary winding of transformer T1, the coil. The SCR and its trigger circuitry are inactive during this period. During the input's negative half cycle, energy is stored in capacitor C2 until diac D2 reaches its trigger voltage, whereupon D2 conducts abruptly and C2 releases its energy into the SCR's gate. The SCR then discharges C1 into the transformer's primary and ceases to conduct. This store-and-release cycle repeats on the line's positive and negative half cycles, producing high-voltage pulses at the transformer's secondary.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE INVERTER

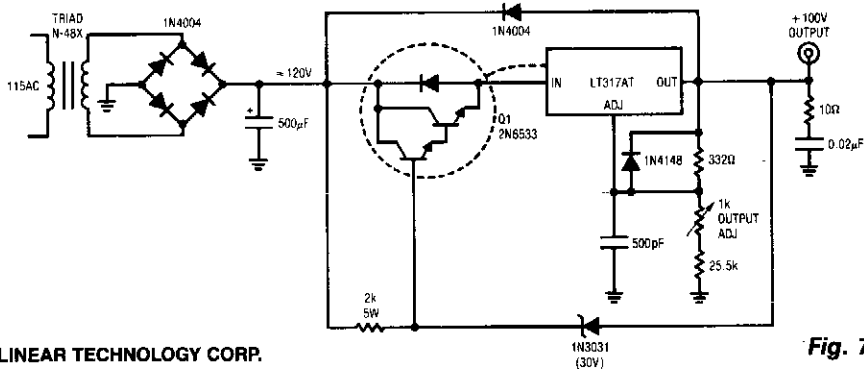


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**Fig. 74-8**

The circuit converts a dc voltage ( $V^+$ ) to a high-amplitude square wave in the audio-frequency range. The dual timer, IC<sub>2</sub>, provides an inexpensive alternative to the traditional transformer for providing complementary base drive to the power transistors, Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub>. You can convert a 6 to 12 V battery output, for example, to an ac amplitude, which is limited primarily by the power rating of transformer T<sub>1</sub>. Connect timer IC<sub>1</sub> as an oscillator to provide a symmetrical square-wave drive to both inputs of IC<sub>2</sub>. The timing components, R<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>1</sub>, produce a 2.2-kHz output frequency. By connecting half of IC<sub>2</sub> in the inverting mode and the other half in noninverting mode, the timer's outputs alternately drive the two transistors. You can operate the audio-output transformer, T<sub>1</sub>, as a step-up transformer by connecting it backwards—using the output winding as an input. The transformer delivers an output voltage across  $R_L$  of  $4 \times N \times V^+$  pk-pk, where  $N$  is the transformer turns ratio. For the circuit shown, the output swing is  $100 \times V^+$  pk-pk.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE REGULATOR



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

Fig. 74-9

The regulator delivers 100-V at 100 mA and withstands shorts to ground. Even at 100 V output, the LT317A functions in the normal mode, maintaining 1.2 V between its output and adjustment pin. Under these conditions, the 30-V zener is off and Q1 conducts. When an output short occurs, the zener conducts, forcing Q1's base to 30 V. This causes Q1's emitter to clamp  $2 V_{BE}$ s below  $V_Z$ , well within the  $V_{IN}-V_{OUT}$  rating of the regulator. Under these conditions, Q1, a high-voltage device, sustains 90 V- $V_{CE}$  at whatever current the transformer specified saturates at 130 mA, while Q1 safely dissipates 12 W. If Q1 and the LT317A are thermally coupled, the regulator will soon go into thermal shutdown and oscillation will commence. This action will continue, protecting the load and the regulator as long as the output remains shorted. The 500-pF capacitor and the 10  $\Omega$ /0.02  $\mu$ F damper aid transient response and the diodes provide safe discharge paths for the capacitors.

## CAPACITOR-DISCHARGE HIGH-VOLTAGE GENERATOR

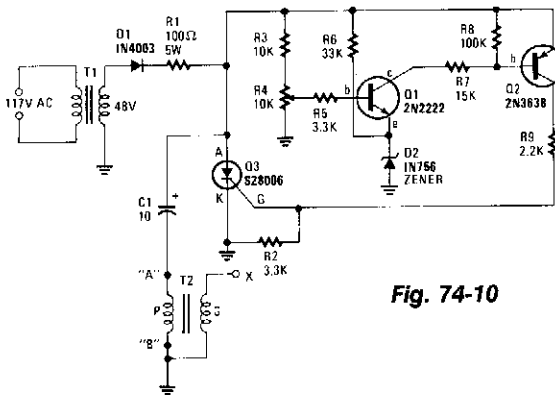


Fig. 74-10

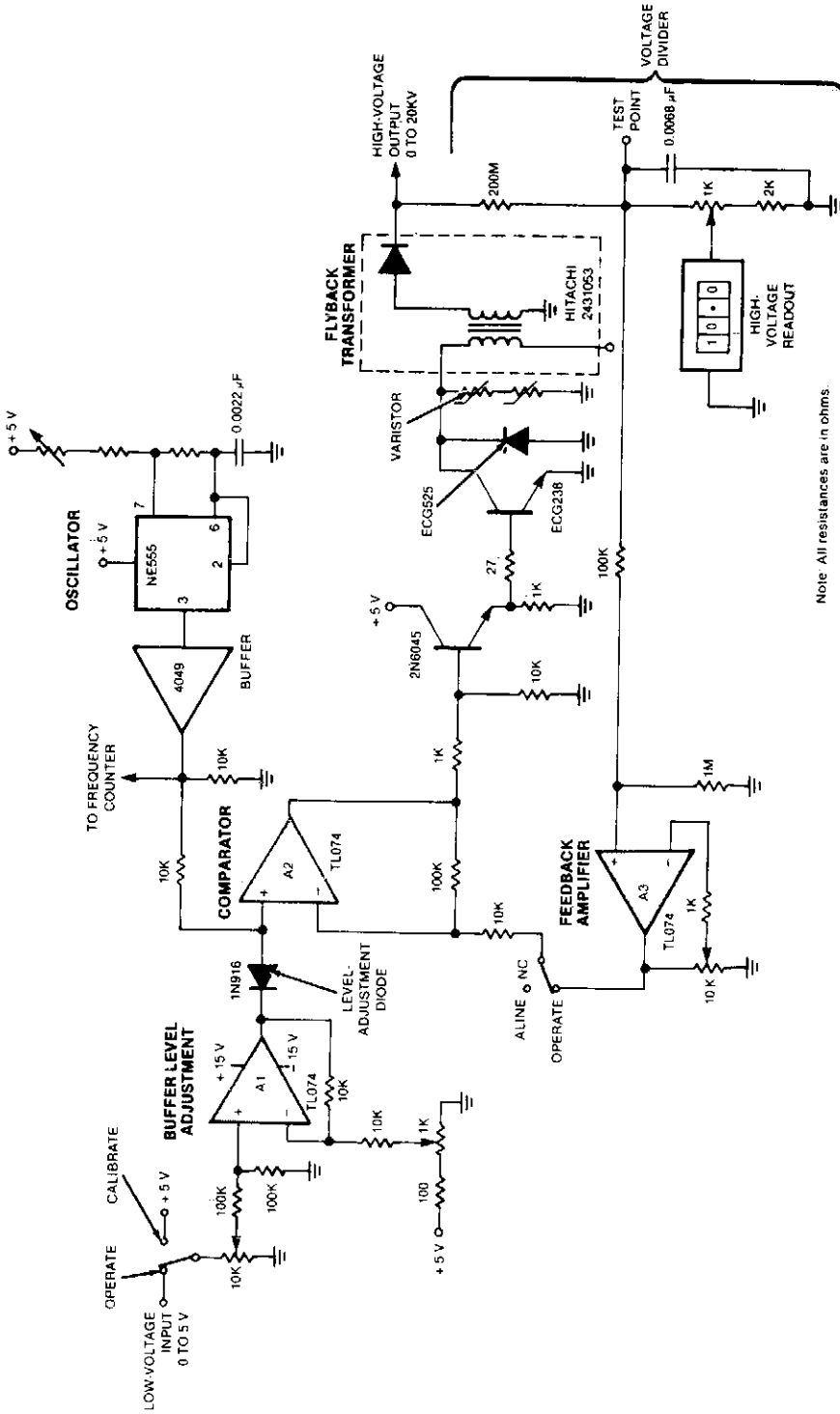
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Stepdown transformer T1 drops the incoming line voltage to approximately 48 Vac which is rectified by diode D1; the resultant dc charges capacitor

C1—through current limiting resistor R1—to a voltage level preset by R4. When the voltage on R4's wiper reaches about 8.6 V, Q1 begins to turn on, drawing current through R7 and the base-emitter junction of Q2. Q2 turns on and supplies a positive voltage to the gate of silicon-controlled rectifier Q3. The positive gate voltage causes Q3 to conduct, thereby discharging C1 through the primary winding of step-up transformer T2, which results in a high-voltage arc at output terminal X. The voltage developed at T2's output is determined by the value of C1, the voltage across C1, and the turns ratio of transformer T2. The frequency or pulse rate of the high voltage is determined by the resistance of T1's primary and secondary windings, the value of R1, and the value of C1. The lower the value of each item, the higher the output pulse rate; the peak output voltage will only remain unchanged if C1's value remains unchanged.



# REMOTELY ADJUSTABLE SOLID-STATE HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY



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Fig. 74-11

The output voltage changes approximately linearly up to 20 KV as the input voltage is varied from 0 to 5 V. The oscillator is tuned by a 5-Ω potentiometer to peak the output voltage at the frequency of maximum transformer response between 45 and 55 kHz. The feedback voltage is applied through a 100-KΩ resistor, an op amp, and a comparator to a high-voltage amplifier. A diode and varistor on the primary side of the transformer protect the output transistor. The transformer is a flyback-type used in color-television sets. A feedback loop balances between the high-voltage output and the low-voltage input.

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## Variable Power Supplies

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

100-kHz Multiple-Output Switching  
Power Supply

3 – 30 V Universal Power Supply Module  
Regulator/Current Source

Low-Power Switching Regulator  
Variable Voltage Regulator  
Tracking Preregulator  
Adjustable 10-A Regulator



### 3 – 30 V UNIVERSAL POWER SUPPLY MODULE

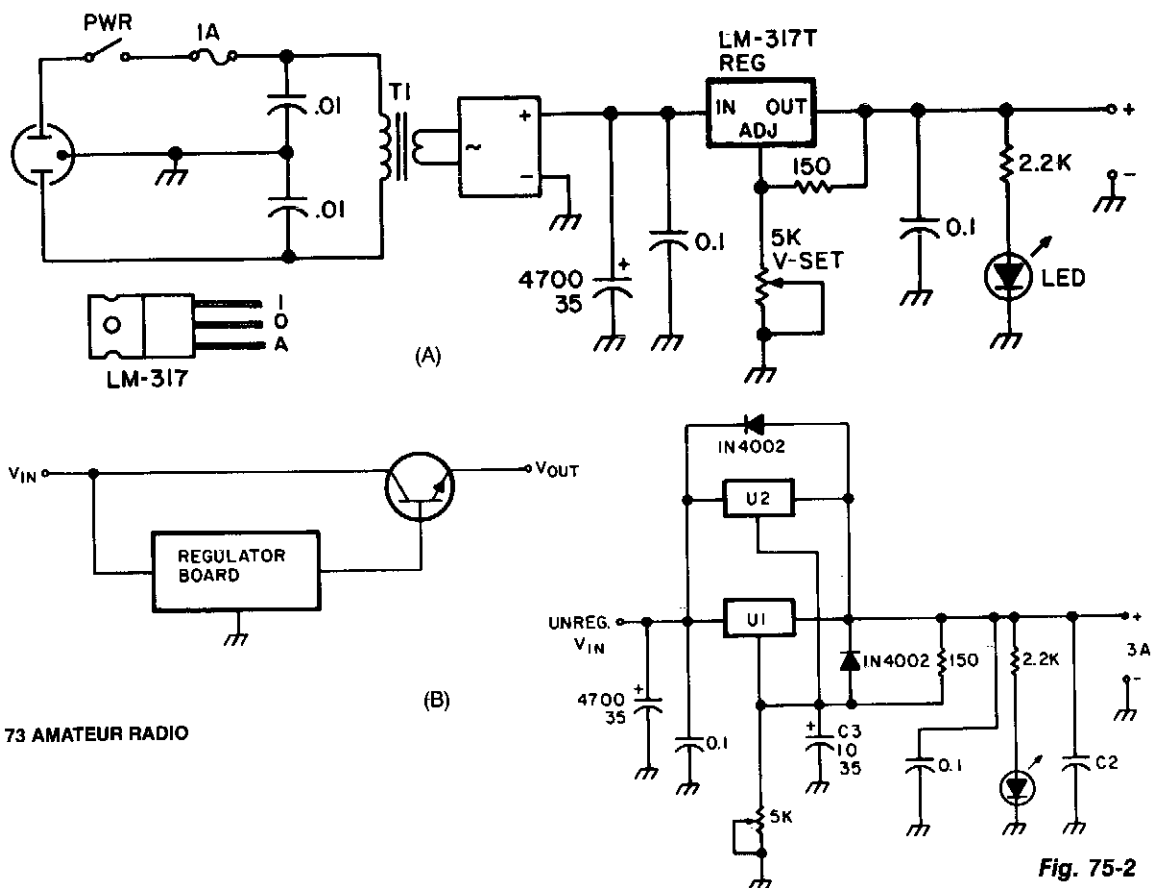


Fig. 75-2

73 AMATEUR RADIO

U1, an LM317 adjustable regulator provides short-circuit protection and automatic current limiting at 1.5 A. The input voltage to the regulator is supplied by DB1, a 4-A 100 PIV full-wave bridge rectifier. Capacitor C1 provides initial filtering. U1 provides additional electronic filtering as part of the regulating function. The output level of the regulator is set by trim-pot R1. Bypass capacitors on the input and output of U1 prevent high-frequency oscillation. The current rating of the transformer must be at least 1.8 times the rated continuous-duty output of the supply. This means that a 1.5-A supply should use a 2.7-A transformer. For light or intermittent loads, a smaller 2.0-A transformer should suffice.

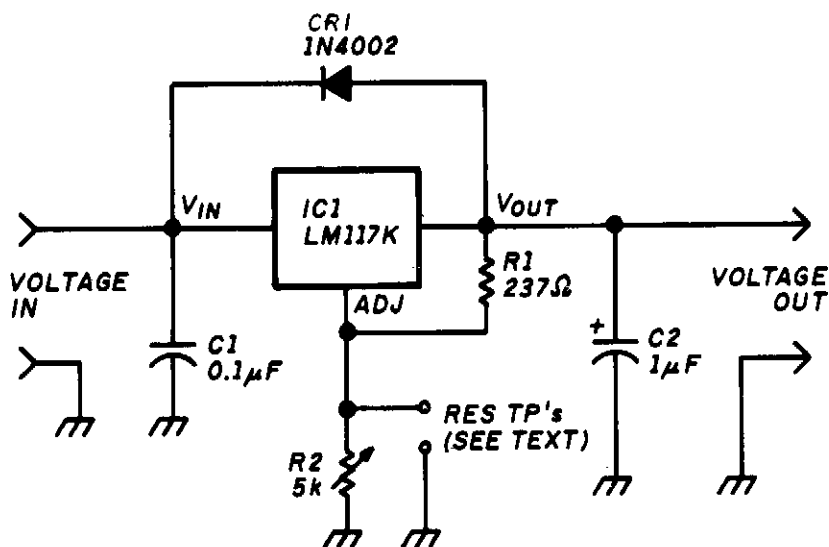
Wiring a second LM317, U2, in parallel with U1 is a quick and clean way to increase the current-limiting threshold to 3 A without sacrificing short-circuit protection. When more than 3 A is required, the regulator module can be used to drive the base of one or more pass-transistors (see Fig. 75-2B).



## LOW-POWER SWITCHING REGULATOR (Cont.)

A simple battery-powered switching regulator provides 5 V out from a 9-V source with 80% efficiency and 50 mA output capability. When Q1 is on, its collector voltage rises, forcing current through the inductor. The output voltage rises, causing A1's output to rise. Q1 cuts off and the output decays through the load. The 100-pF capacitor ensures clean switching. The cycle repeats when the output drops low enough for A1 to turn on Q1. The 1- $\mu$ F capacitor ensures low battery impedance at high frequencies, preventing sag during switching.

## VARIABLE VOLTAGE REGULATOR

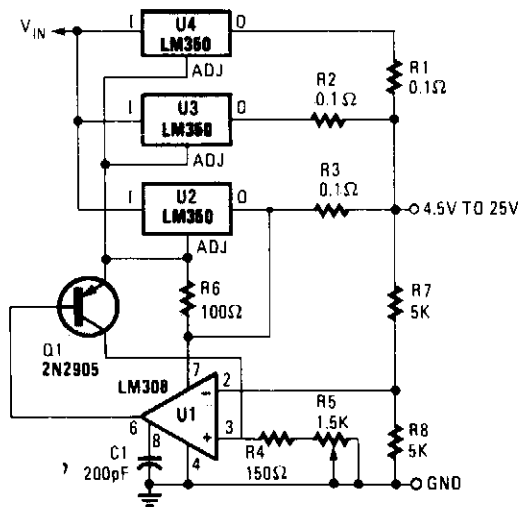


HAM RADIO

Fig. 75-5

The variable voltage regulator lets you adjust the output voltage of a fixed dc power supply between 1.2 and 37 Vdc, and will supply the output current in excess of 1.5 A. The circuit incorporates an LM117K three-terminal adjustable output positive voltage regulator in a TO-3 can. Thermal overload protection and short-circuit current-limiting constant with temperature are included in the package. Capacitor C1 reduces sensitivity to input line impedance, and C2 reduces excessive ringing. Diode CR1 prevents C2 from discharging through the IC during an output short.

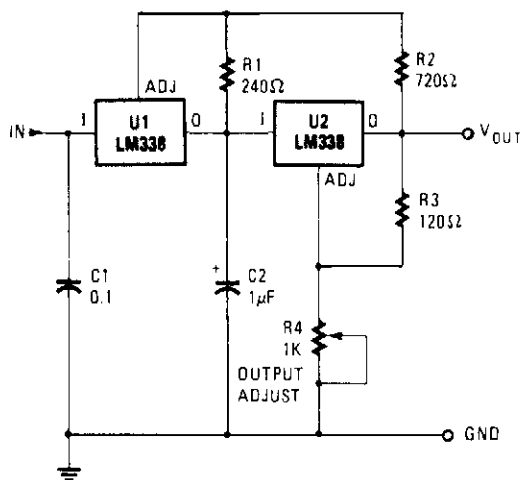
## TRACKING PREREGULATOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 75-6

## ADJUSTABLE 10-A REGULATOR



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Fig. 75-7

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## Power Supply Monitors

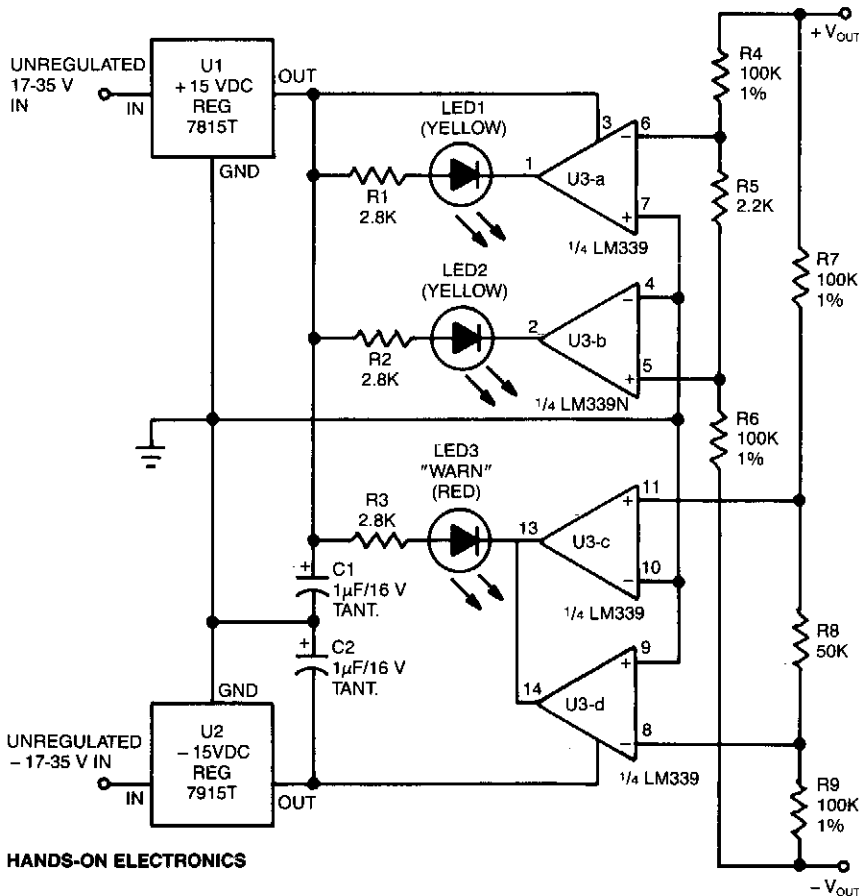
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Power-Supply Balance Indicator  
Single-Supply Fault Monitor



## POWER-SUPPLY BALANCE INDICATOR

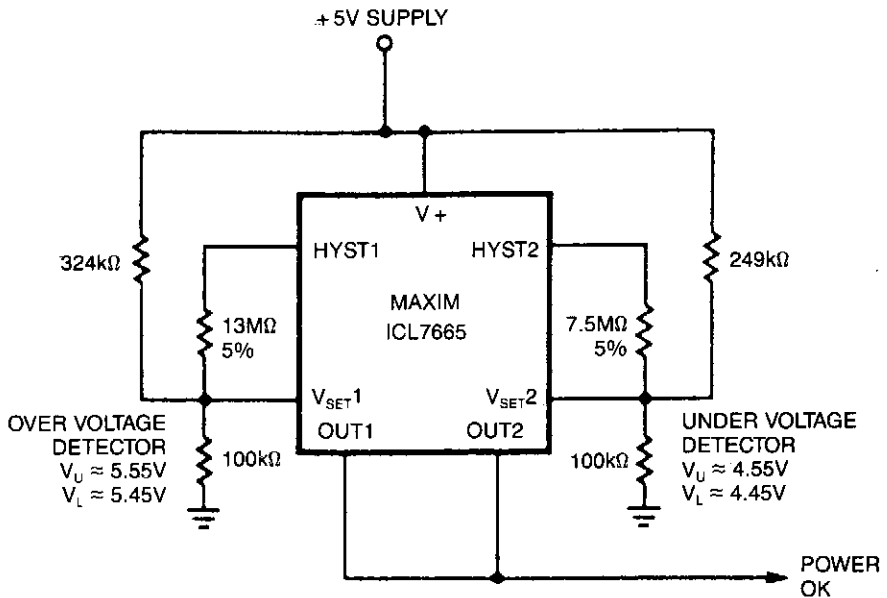


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 76-1

This circuit uses two comparator pairs from an LM339N quad comparator; one pair drives the yellow positive (+) and negative (-) indicators, the other jointly drives the red warn LED3. The circuit draws its power from the unregulated portion of the power supply. The four comparators get their switching inputs from two parallel resistor-divider strings. Both strings have their ends tied between the power supply's positive and negative output terminals. The first string, consisting of R4, R5, and R6, divides the input voltage in half, with output taps at 0.5%. The other string, made up of R7, R8, and R9, also divides the input voltage in half, with taps at +10%. The 0.5% R4/R5/R6 string drives the two comparators controlling the positive and negative indicators (LED1 and LED2). Their inputs are crossed so that LED2 does not fire until the positive supply is at least 0.5% higher than the negative; the positive indicator does not go off until the negative supply is at least 0.5% higher than the positive—in relative levels. That overlap permits both LEDs to be on when the two supplies are in 1% or better balance. The +10% R7/R8/R9 string drives the other two comparators, which control the warn indicator. If either side of the supply is 10% or more higher than the other, one of the two comparators will switch its output low and light the red LED3—the LM339N has open-collector outputs, allowing such wired OR connections. The inputs are not crossed, as with the other comparator pair, so there is a band in the middle where neither comparators output is low and the LED remains off.

## SINGLE-SUPPLY FAULT MONITOR



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Fig. 76-2

This circuit shows a typical over/under-voltage fault monitor for a single supply. The upper trip points, controlling OUT 1, are centered on 5.5 V with 100 mV of hysteresis ( $V_U = 5.55\text{ V}$ ,  $V_L = 5.45\text{ V}$ ); and the lower trip points, controlling OUT 2, are centered on 4.5 V, also with 100 mV of hysteresis. OUT 1 and OUT 2 are connected together in a wired OR configuration to generate a *power OK* signal.

# 77

## Probes

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                              |                                    |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Digital Logic Probe          | Battery-Powered Ground-Noise Probe |
| Low Input Capacitance Buffer | FET Probe                          |
| Rf Probe                     | pH Probe and Detector              |
| CMOS Universal Logic Probe   | Stabilized Low Input Capacitance   |
| 4 – 220 V Test Probe         | Buffer                             |
|                              | Rf Probe                           |

## DIGITAL LOGIC PROBE

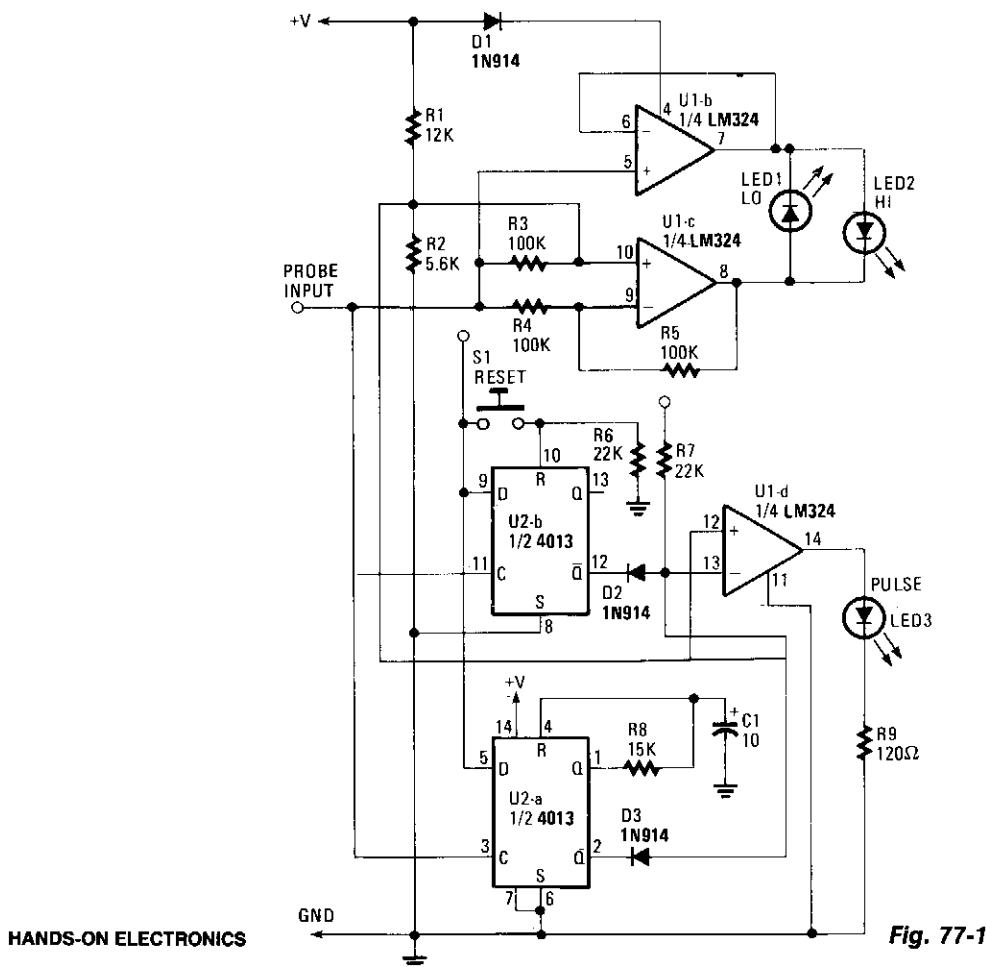


Fig. 77-1

The probe relies on the power supply of the CUT (circuit-under-test). The input to the probe, at probe tip, is fed along two paths. One path flows to the clock inputs of U2a and U2b. The other path feeds both the inverting input of U1c, which is set up as an inverting-mode integrator, and the noninverting input of U1b, which is configured as a noninverting unity-gain amplifier, in a logic-low state.

That low, below the reference set at pin 10, causes U1b's output at pin 7 to become high. With U1b outputting low and U1c outputting high, LED1 is forward-biased, and lights. LED2, reverse-biased, remains dark. Suppose that the logic level on the same pin becomes high. That high is applied to pin 5 of U1b, causing its output to be high. LED2 is now forward-biased and lights, while LED1 is reverse-biased and becomes dark.

Assume that a clock frequency is sensed at the probe input; LED1 and LED2 alternately light, and depending on the frequency of the signal, can appear constantly lit. That frequency, which is also applied to the clock input of both flip-flops, causes the Q outputs of U2a and U2b to simultaneously alternate between high and low. Each time that the Q outputs of the two flip-flops decrease, the output of U1d increases, lighting LED3, indicating that a pulse stream has been detected.

## LOW INPUT CAPACITANCE BUFFER

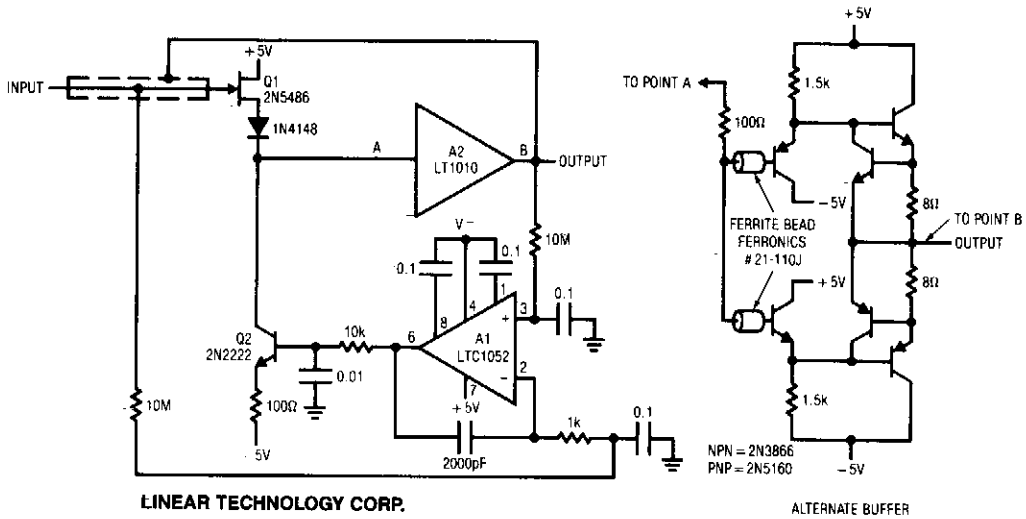
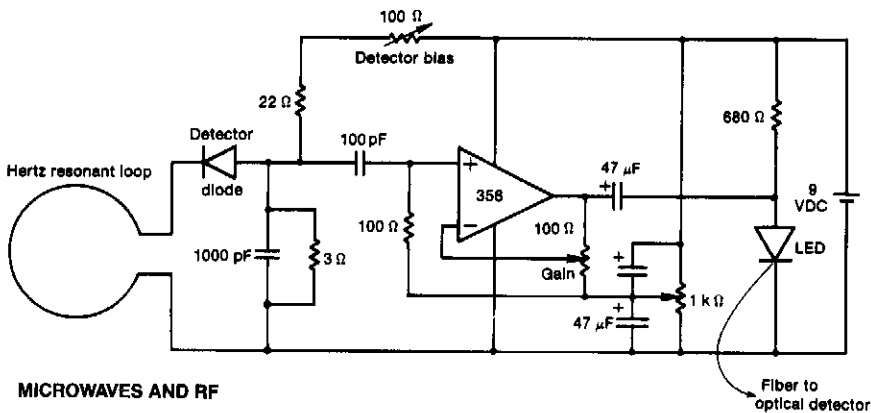


Fig. 77-2

Q1 and Q2 constitute a simple, high-speed FET input buffer. Q1 functions as a source follower, with the Q2 current-source load setting the drain-source channel current. The LT1010 buffer provides output drive capability for cables or whatever load is required. The LTC1052 stabilizes the circuit by comparing the filtered circuit output to a similarly filtered version of the input signal. The amplified difference between these signals is used to set Q2's bias, and hence Q1's channel current. This forces Q1's  $V_{GS}$  to whatever voltage is required to match the circuit's input and output potentials. The diode in Q1's source line ensures that the gate never forward biases and the 2000-pF capacitor at A1 provides stable loop compensation. The rc network in A1's output prevents it from seeing high-speed edges coupled through Q2's collector-base junction. A2's output is also fed back to the shield around Q1's gate lead, bootstrapping the circuit's effective input capacitance to less than 1 pF.

## RF PROBE



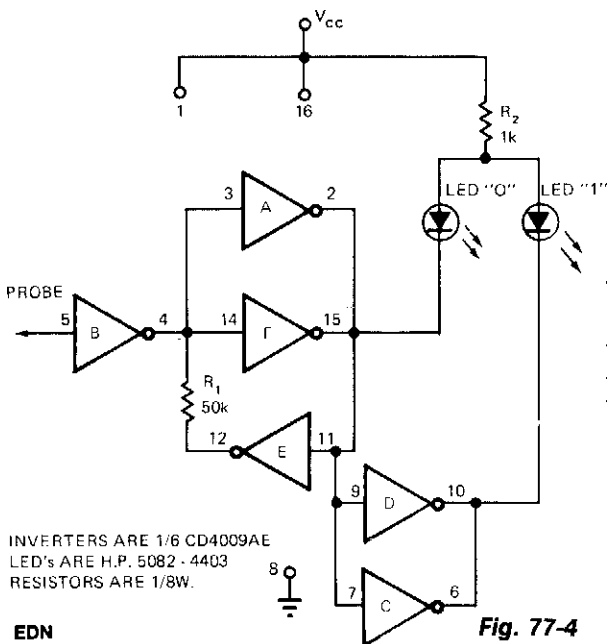
MICROWAVES AND RF

Fig. 77-3

## RF PROBE (Cont.)

This rf probe is coupled with a fiber-optic cable to the test equipment. It utilizes inexpensive components to improve probe performance at UHF frequencies. The receiving antenna in this probe feeds an envelope-detector diode. After amplification by the LF356 op amp, the low-frequency output modulates the LED, which in turn feeds the optical fiber. The design facilitates the use of a single battery for the op amp, with voltage splitting by means of the 1-K $\Omega$  potentiometer, and miniature 47- $\mu$ F tantalum capacitors to provide decoupling. The gain control is easily adjusted to give the best dynamic range for a specific LED.

## CMOS UNIVERSAL LOGIC PROBE

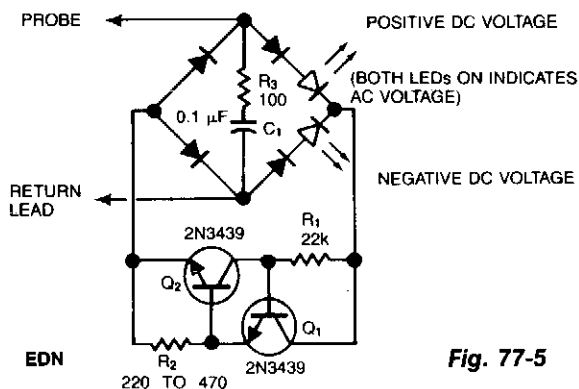


Only the CD4009AE hex buffer, two resistors, and two LEDs are required for a logic probe. CMOS logic probe features  $10^{12}\Omega$  input impedance and covers 3 to 15 V range. While LEDs are visible at all voltages, a 1-K $\Omega$  pot in place of R2 will allow the user to increase brightness at lower voltages.

Fig. 77-4

EDN

## 4 - 220 V TEST PROBE



Using inexpensive components, you can fit a simple probe circuit into a pencil-sized enclosure. When both LEDs are on, the probe indicates the presence of an ac voltage; either LED alone indicates the presence and polarity of a dc voltage. The diode-bridge arrangement allows one-way current source R1, R2, Q1, and Q2 to light either LED (or both) when the probe is activated by a test voltage. Diodes provide the necessary peak-inverse voltage rating; R3 and C1 provide a spike-suppression network to protect the current-source transistors.

Fig. 77-5

EDN

220 TO 470

## BATTERY-POWERED GROUND-NOISE PROBE

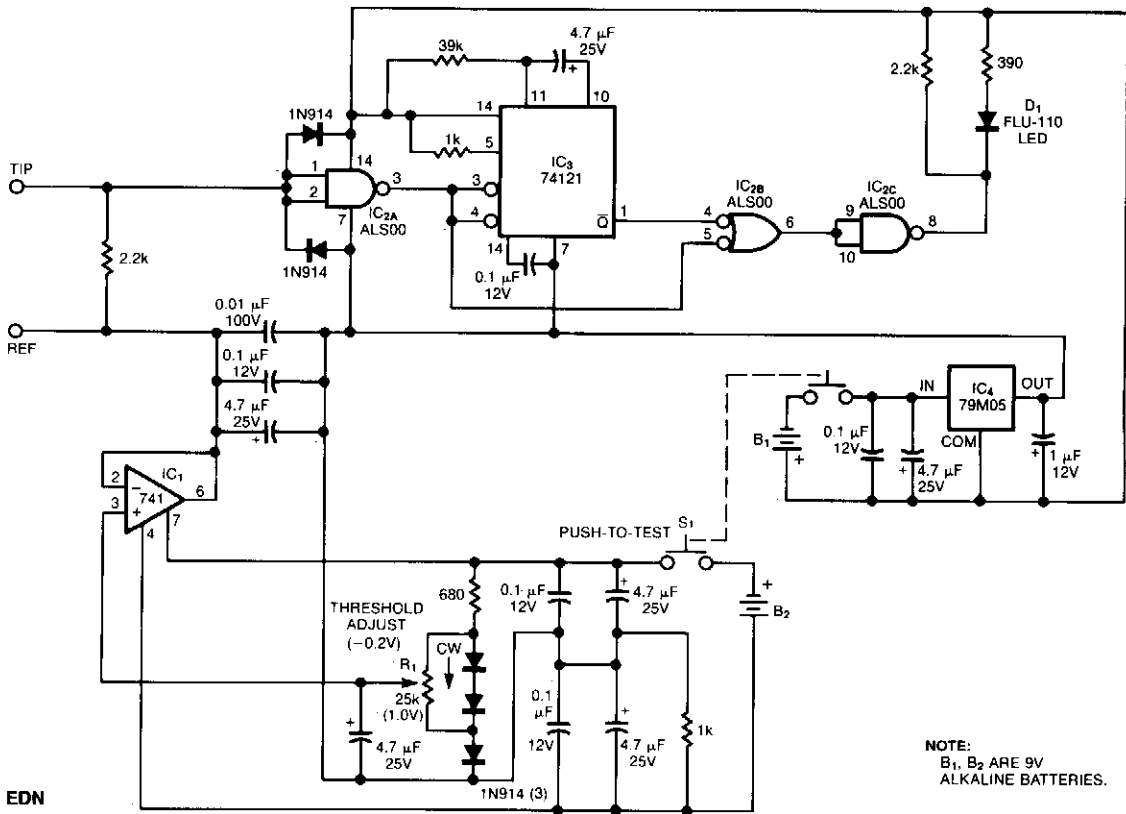
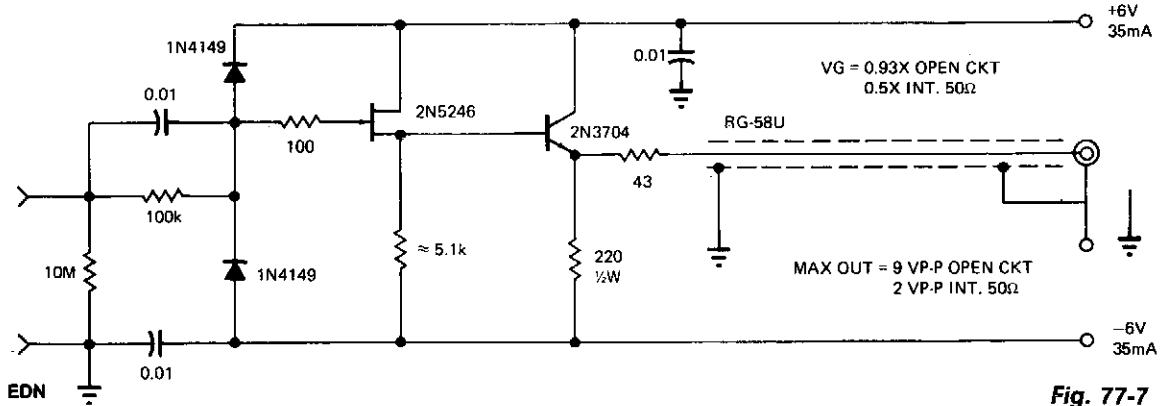


Fig. 77-6

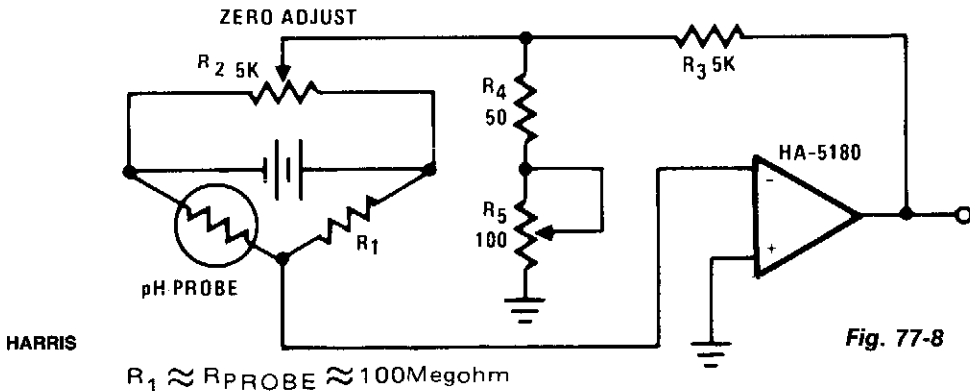
Oscilloscope measurements of ground noise can be unreliable because noise can enter your circuit via the scope's three-pronged power plug. You can avoid this problem by using the ground-noise tester shown. Powered by two 9-V batteries, the circuit dissipates power only while push-to-test switch S1 is depressed. Noise pulses that reach IC2A's switching threshold of about 1.5 to 1.8 V create a logic transition that triggers the monostable multivibrator IC3, which stretches the pulse to produce a visible blink from LED D1. You set the noise reference level by adjusting threshold-adjust potentiometer R1, which lets the circuit respond to minimum pulse amplitudes ranging from about 0 to 1 V. For convenience, you can use a one-turn potentiometer for R1 and calibrate the dial by applying an adjustable dc voltage, monitored by an accurate voltmeter.

## FET PROBE



This FET probe has an input impedance of  $10\text{ M}\Omega$  shunted by  $8\text{ pF}$ . Eliminating the protective diodes reduces this impedance to about  $4\text{ pF}$ . The frequency response of the probe extends from dc to  $20\text{ MHz}$  ( $-1\text{ dB}$ ), although higher frequency operation is possible through optimized construction and use of a UHF-type transistor. Zero dc offset at the output is achieved by selecting a combination of a 2N5246 and source resistor that yields a gate-source bias equal to the  $V_{BE}$  of the 2N3704 at approximately  $0\text{ V}$ . At medium frequencies, the probe can be used unterminated for near-unity gain; for optimum impedance converter probe high-frequency response, the cable must be terminated into  $50\ \Omega$ . The voltage gain, when properly terminated, is precisely  $0.5 X$ .

## pH PROBE AND DETECTOR



The greatest sensitivity is achieved if  $R_1$  is approximately equal to the probe resistance. The circuit can be *zeroed* with  $R_2$ , while the full-scale voltage is controlled by  $R_5$ . The correlation between pH and output voltage might not be linear, which would necessitate a shaping circuit. A calibration scheme, using solutions of known pH, might prove adequate and more reliable over a period of time because of probe variance.



## STABILIZED LOW-INPUT CAPACITANCE BUFFER

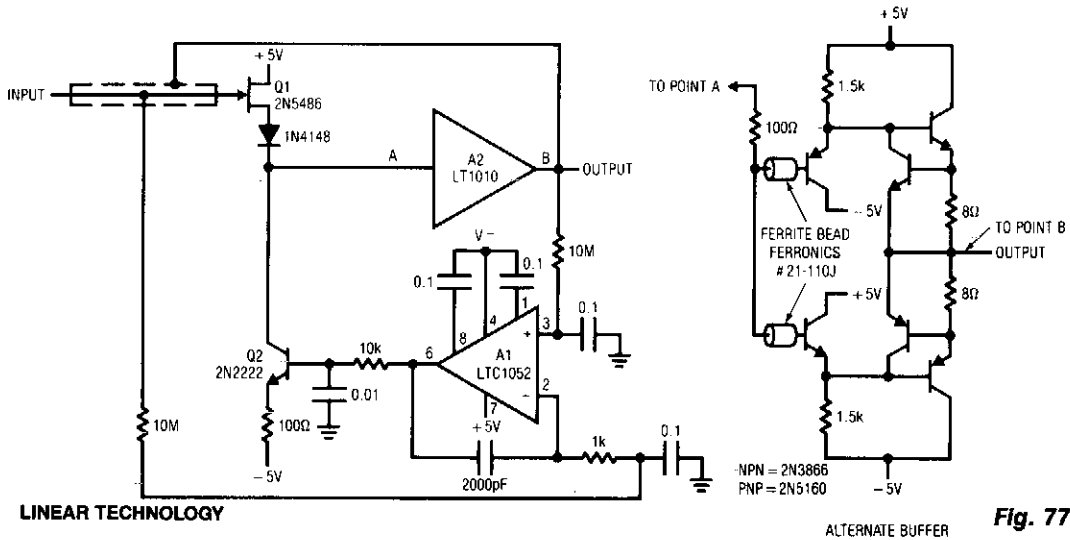


Fig. 77-9

Q1 and Q2 constitute a simple, high-speed FET input buffer. Q1 functions as a source follower, with the Q2 current source load setting the drain-source channel current. The LT1010 buffer provides output drive capability for cables or whatever load is required. Normally, this open-loop configuration would be quite drifty because there is no dc feedback. The LTC1052 contributes this function to stabilize the circuit. It does this by comparing the filtered circuit output to a similarly filtered version of the input signal. The amplified difference between these signals is used to set Q2's bias, and hence Q1's channel current. Q1's source line ensures that the gate never forward biases, and the 2000 pF capacitor at A1 provides stable loop compensation. The rc network in A1's output prevents it from seeing high-speed edges coupled through Q2's collector-base junction. A2's output is also fed back to the shield around Q1's gate lead, bootstrapping the circuit's effective input capacitance down to less than 1 pF.

## RF PROBE

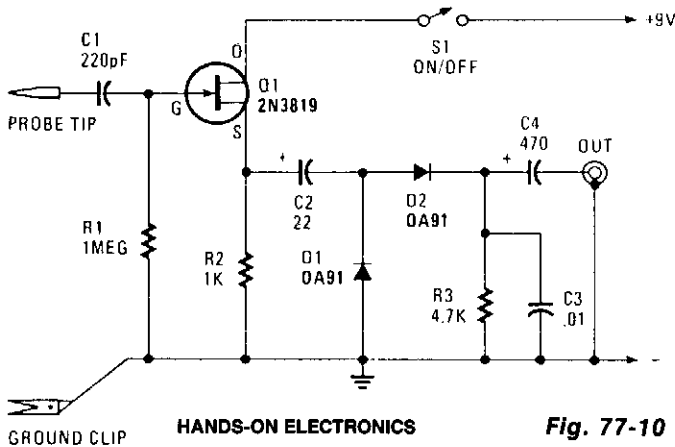


Fig. 77-10

## RF PROBE (Cont.)

Transistor Q1-configured as a source-follower buffer stage, offering a bit under unity voltage gain—gives the unit a high-impedance input of about  $1\text{ M}\Omega$  shunted by about  $10\text{ pF}$ , which keeps only minimal loading on the equipment being tested. C1 serves as input dc blocking capacitor. The Q1 output is coupled by C2 to a simple AM detector circuit made up of D1, D2, R3 and C3. Capacitor C4 provides output dc blocking. Total current consumption should be somewhere around  $1\text{ mA}$ . The circuit responds to frequencies from  $100\text{ kHz}$  to well over  $50\text{ MHz}$ .

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# 78

## Programmable Amplifiers

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Inverting Programmable-Gain Amplifier

Noninverting Programmable Gain Amplifier

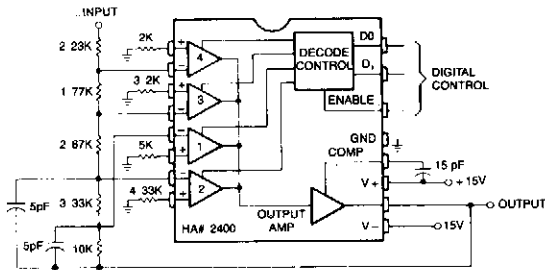
Wide Range Digitally Controlled Variable-Gain  
Amplifier

Digitally Programmable Precision Amplifier

Programmable-Gain Differential-Input Amplifier

Programmable Amplifier

## INVERTING PROGRAMMABLE-GAIN AMPLIFIER

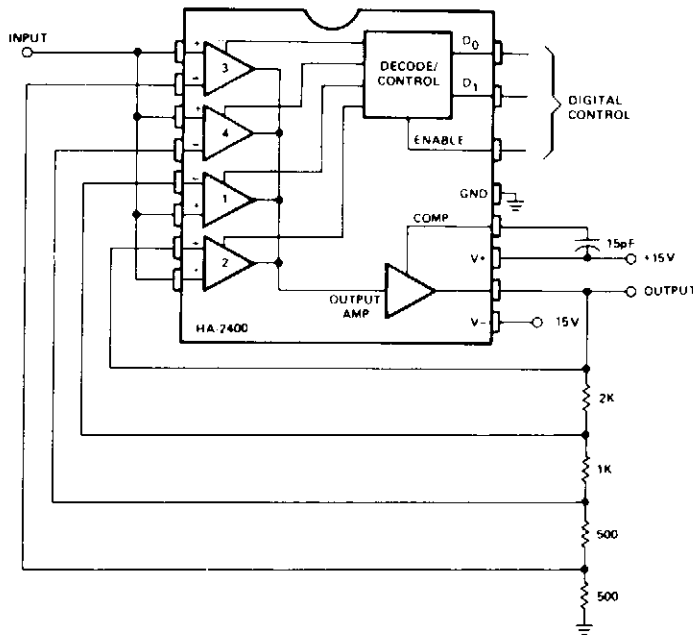


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Fig. 78-1

This circuit can be programmed for a gain of 0, -1, -2, -4, or -8. This could also be accomplished with one input resistor and one feedback resistor per channel in the conventional manner, but this would require eight resistors, rather than five.

## NONINVERTING PROGRAMMABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER

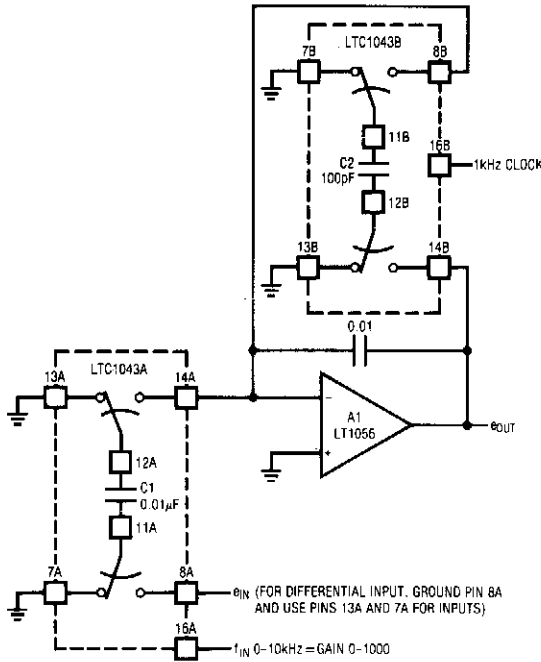


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Fig. 78-2

This is a noninverting amplifier configuration with feedback resistors chosen to produce a gain of 0, 1, 2, 4, or 8, depending on the digital control inputs. Comparators at the output could be used for automatic gain selection for auto-ranging meters, etc.

## WIDE RANGE DIGITALLY CONTROLLED VARIABLE-GAIN AMPLIFIER

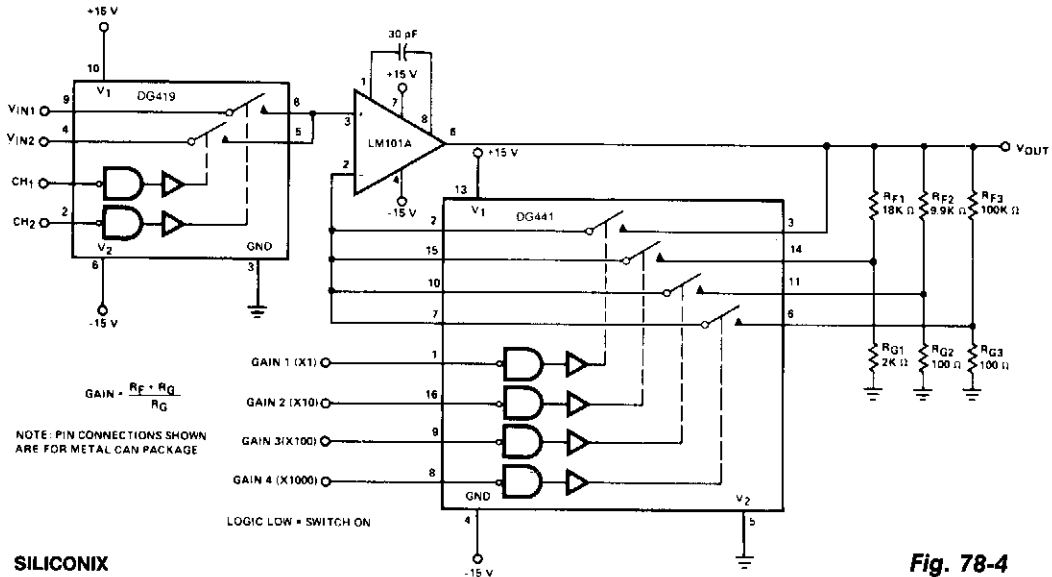


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Fig. 78-3

The circuit uses the LTC1043 in a variable gain amplifier which features continuously variable gain, gain stability of 20 ppm/°C, and single-ended or differential inputs. The circuit uses two separate LTC1043s. LTC1043B is continuously clocked by a 1-kHz source, which could also be processor supplied. Both LTC1043s function as the sampled data equivalent of a resistor within the bandwidth set by A1's 0.01- $\mu$ F value and the switched-capacitor equivalent feedback resistor. The time-averaged current delivered to the summing point by LTC1043A is a function of the 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor's input-derived voltage and the commutation frequency at pin 16. Low-commutation frequencies result in small time-averaged current values, and require a large input resistor. Higher frequencies require an equivalent small input resistor.

## DIGITALLY PROGRAMMABLE PRECISION AMPLIFIER



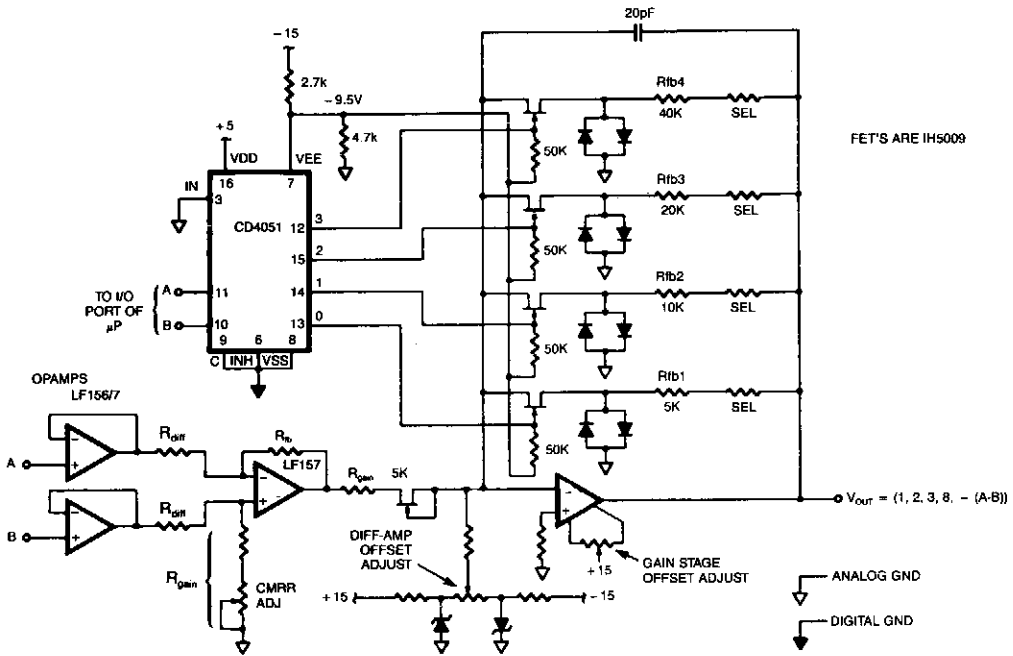
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Fig. 78-4

## DIGITALLY PROGRAMMABLE PRECISION AMPLIFIER (Cont.)

The DG419 *looks* into the high input impedance of the op amp, so the effects of  $R_{DS(on)}$  are negligible. The DG441 is also connected in series with  $R_{IN}$  and is not included in the feedback dividers, thus contributing negligible error to the overall gain. Because the DG419 and DG441 can handle  $\pm 15$  V, the unity gain follower connection, X1, is capable of the full op-amp output range of  $\pm 12$  V.

### PROGRAMMABLE-GAIN DIFFERENTIAL-INPUT AMPLIFIER



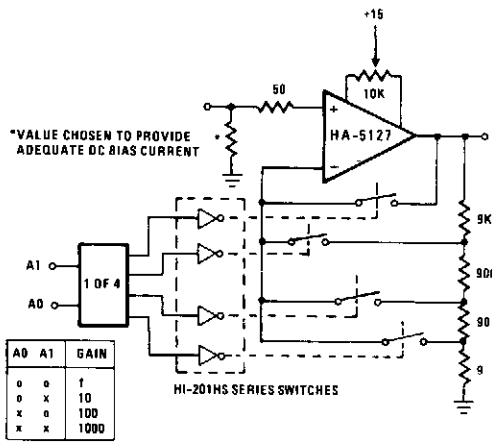
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| 0 | 0 | X1   |
| 0 | 1 | X2   |
| 1 | 0 | X4   |
| 1 | 1 | X8   |

**Fig. 78-5**

This programmable gain circuit employs a CD4051 CMOS Analog Multiplexer as a two to four line decoder, with appropriate FET drive for switching between feedback resistors to program the gain to any one of four values.

## PROGRAMMABLE AMPLIFIER



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**Fig. 78-6**

Often a circuit will be called upon to perform several functions. In these situations, the variable gain configuration of this circuit could be quite useful. This programmable gain stage depends on CMOS analog switches to alter the amount of feedback, and thereby, the gain of the stage. Placement of the switching elements inside the relatively low-current area of the feedback loop, minimizes the effects of bias currents and switch resistance on the calculated gain of the stage. Voltage spikes can occur during the switching process, resulting in temporarily reduced gain because of the make-before-break operation of the switches. This gain loss can be minimized by providing a separate voltage divider network for each level of gain.

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## Protection Circuits

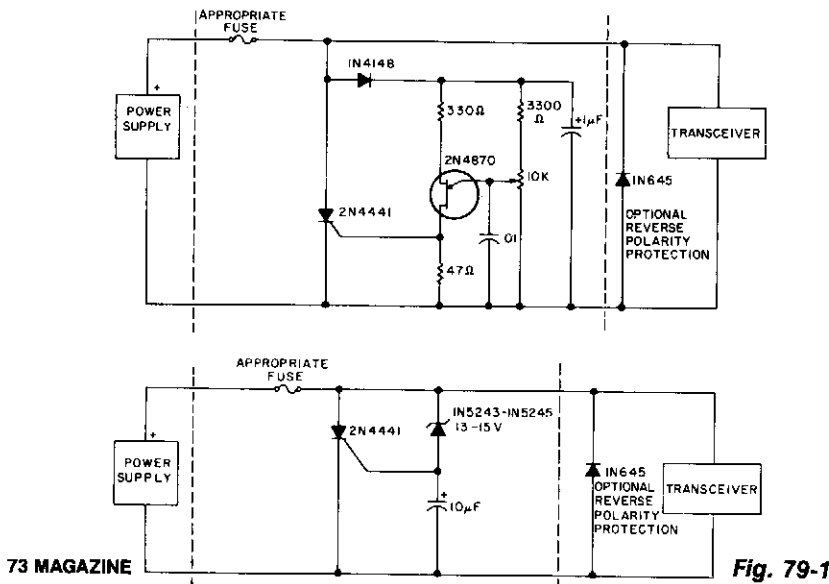
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Electric Crowbars  
Ac Power-Line Connections Monitor  
Line-Voltage Monitor  
Power-Failure Alarm  
Ac Circuit Breaker  
Fast Overvoltage Protector

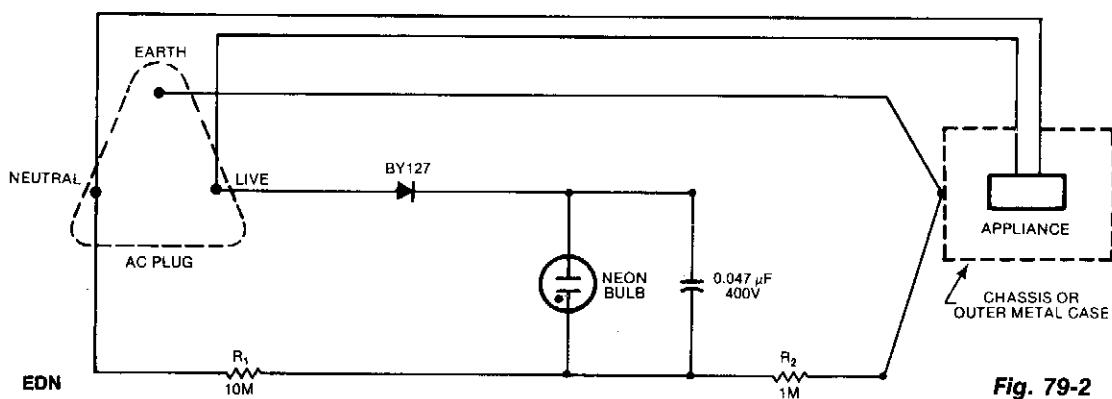


## ELECTRIC CROWBARS



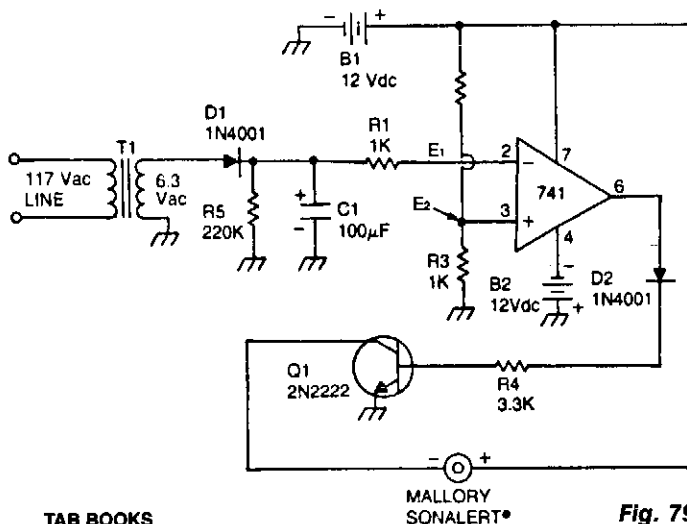
To avoid grief when using 12-V power supplies with mobile transceivers, especially when there is a short-circuit failure of the series pass transistor, crowbar circuits provide protection by clamping the power line and blowing the fuse within microseconds of an overvoltage condition. It is a good idea to incorporate the crowbar directly into the transceiver. The main difference between the two circuits is that less complex circuit B depends on component tolerances for the exact trigger level, while the circuit A includes a unijunction trigger to permit precise setting of the operating point.

## AC POWER-LINE CONNECTIONS MONITOR



A continuous glow signifies that everything is normal; a blinking or extinguished neon bulb indicates a broken earth-ground connection, or interchanged neutral and live wires.

## LINE-VOLTAGE MONITOR



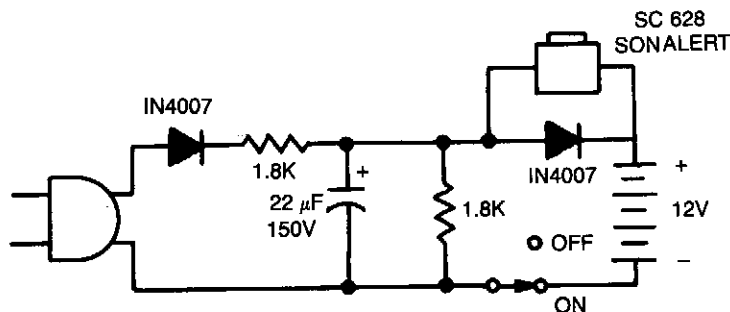
TAB BOOKS

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SONALERT\*

Fig. 79-3

This circuit uses a type 741 op amp as a voltage comparator. One input of the 741 is connected to a reference voltage (a 12-V battery) through a resistor voltage divider. The potential at the noninverting input of the 741 is approximately 3 V. The inverting input of the op amp comparator is connected to the output of a line-operated 8-V power supply. When the ac power main fails, T1 will no longer be energized, so the charge stored in capacitor C1 will begin to discharge through resistor R5. When the capacitor voltage drops below the reference voltage of 3 V, the output of the comparator becomes high. This output condition will forward bias transistor Q1, causing the Sonalert to sound the alarm. The time constant of the R5/C1 combination is 22 seconds—long enough to prevent noise from triggering the alarm.

## POWER-FAILURE ALARM



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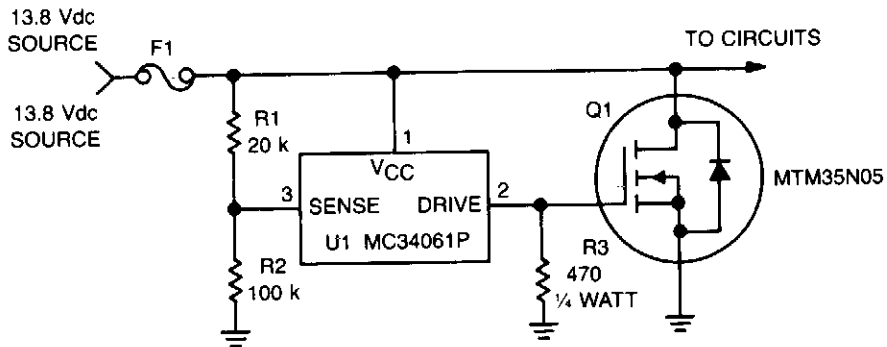
Fig. 79-4

With power ac off, the alarm sounds when S1 is closed on. The 12-V battery is kept charged when the circuit is plugged in and the switch is left on.



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## FAST OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTOR



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**Fig. 79-6**

This circuit protects expensive portable equipment against all types of improper hookups and environmental hazards that could cause an overvoltage condition. It operates very quickly and does not latchup, that is, it recovers when the overvoltage condition is removed. In contrast, SCR overvoltage circuits can latch and do not recover, unless the power is removed.

Here, U1 senses an overvoltage condition when the drop across R1 exceeds 2.5 V. This causes U1 to apply a positive signal to the gate of Q1, turning it on and shorting the line going to the external circuits. Fuse 1 opens if the transient condition lasts long enough to exceed the  $i^2t$  rating.

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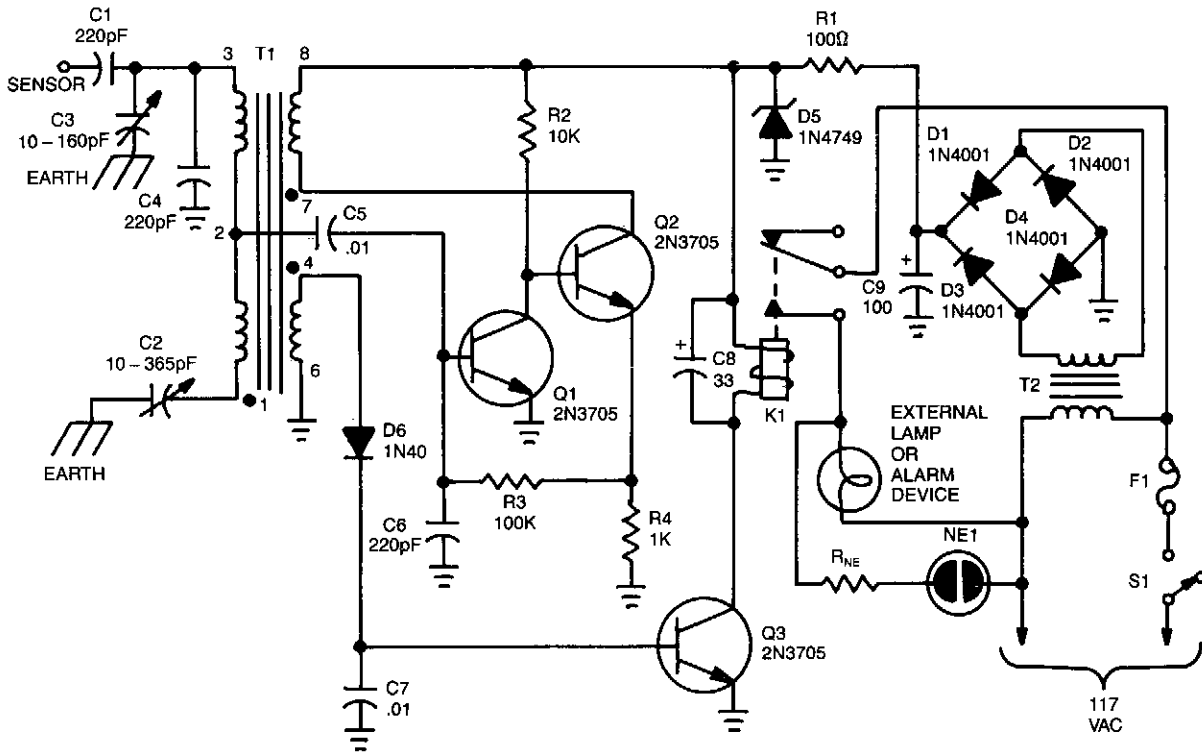
## Proximity Sensors

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Capacitive Sensor Alarm  
UHF Movement Detector  
Proximity Switch  
SCR Proximity Alarm  
Proximity Sensor

## CAPACITIVE SENSOR ALARM



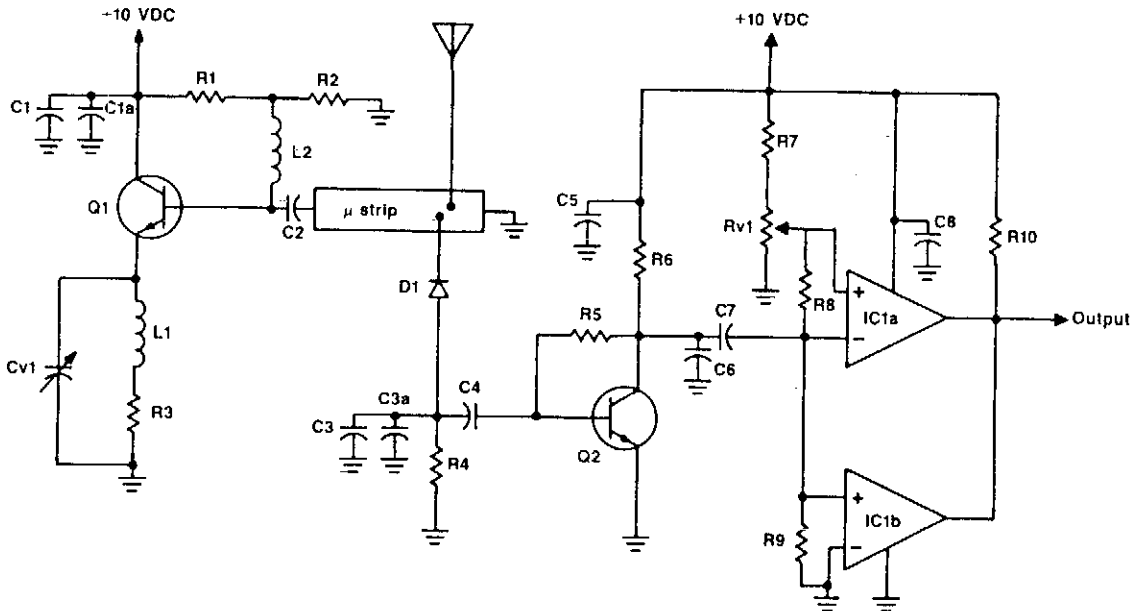
**Fig. 80-1**

The unit is constructed around a balanced-bridge circuit, using both capacitance and inductance. The bridge consists of capacitors C2 and C3, and the center-tapped winding of T1. One end of the bridge is coupled to ground by C4, while capacitance changes are introduced through C1. A small capacitance change unbalances the bridge and produces an ac signal at the base of Q1. Transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected to form a modified-Darlington amplifier. The collector load for Q2 is a separate winding of T1 that is connected out-of-phase with the incoming ac signal. That produces a large, distorted signal each time the bridge is unbalanced.

The distorted signal is taken from the bridge circuit by a third winding of transformer T1. That signal is then rectified by D6 and applied as a dc signal to the base of Q3. The applied signal energizes the relay, K1, as soon as the unbalanced condition occurs, and the relay drops out as soon as the circuit balance is restored. Of course, for normal alarm use, the relay should be made self-latching, so that the alarm condition remains in effect until the system is reset.

An audible alarm, such as a bell or klaxon horn, can be operated from the relay. If a silent alarm is needed, a light bulb can be used. Transformer T1 can be purchased as part #6182 from: Pulse Engineering, P.O. Box 12235, San Diego, CA 92112.

## UHF MOVEMENT DETECTOR



### Parts List

|           |       |       |        |     |                                     |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| R1        | 3.9 k | C1    | 1 nF   | D1  | ISS97 or other Schottky type        |
| R2, 4     | 1 k   | C1a   | 470 uF | Q1  | MRF961                              |
| R3        | 100   | C2    | 47 nF  | Q2  | BC548                               |
| R5        | 2.2 M | C3a   | 1 uF   | Cv1 | 2.7 pF miniature                    |
| R6        | 6.8 k | C4    | 22 uF  | IC1 | LM339 comparator                    |
| R7        | 100 k | C5, 8 | 100 uF | L1  | 5 turns 0.86 mm wire on 3.5 mm core |
| R8, 9, 10 | 22 k  | C6    | 100 nF | L2  | 4 turns 0.86 mm wire on 3.5 mm core |
| Rv1       | 1 k   | C7    | 10 uF  |     |                                     |

D. Huisman, RF Design, December 1986, p. 41.

**Fig. 80-2**

The oscillator is a standard UHF design which delivers about 10 mW at 1.2 GHz. R1 and R2 bias the base of Q1 to 1.2 V via L2. Collector current is set by R3 to about 30 mA. C2 couples the base of Q1 to the stripline circuit. Tuning is provided by CV1, and C1 plus C1a decouple the collector. R2 and R3 are not decoupled, since this could cause instability.

Q2 is a simple one-transistor amplifier. C4 and C7 reduce gain below 1.5 and above 100 Hz; the remaining band of frequencies is amplified and passed on to the level detector. Two comparators of IC1 provide level detection. The trigger voltage is set by R7, Rv1, R8, and R9; it is adjustable from 8 to 60 mV by Rv1.

Positive voltage swings above the trigger level cause the IC1a output to become low, while negative swings cause IC1b to become low. C8 decouples IC1 from the power supply, and R10 is a pull-up resistor for the open collector output of IC1.

## PROXIMITY SWITCH

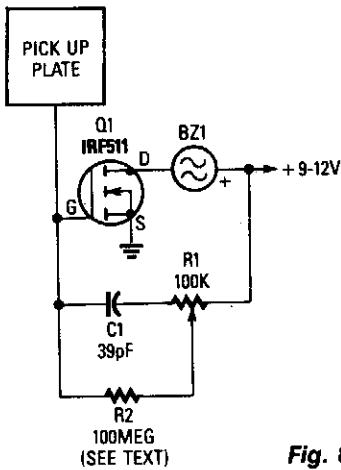


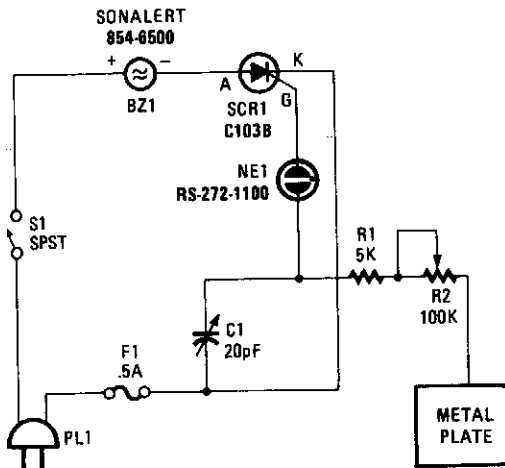
Fig. 80-3

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A 3- $\times$ -3-inch piece of circuit board, or similar size metal object which functions as the pick-up sensor, is connected to the gate of Q1. A 100-M $\Omega$  resistor, R2, isolates Q1's gate from R1, allowing the input impedance to remain very high. If a 100-M $\Omega$  resistor cannot be located, just tie five 22-M $\Omega$  resistors in series and use that combination for R2. In fact, R2 can be made even higher in value for added sensitivity.

Potentiometer R1 is adjusted to where the piezo buzzer just begins to sound off and then carefully backs off to where the sound ceases. Experimenting with the setting of R1 will help in obtaining the best sensitivity adjustment for the circuit. Resistor R1 can be set to where the pick-up must be contacted to set off the alarm sounder. A relay or other current-hungry component can take the place of the piezo sounder to control most any external circuit.

## SCR PROXIMITY ALARM



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-4



## PROXIMITY SENSOR

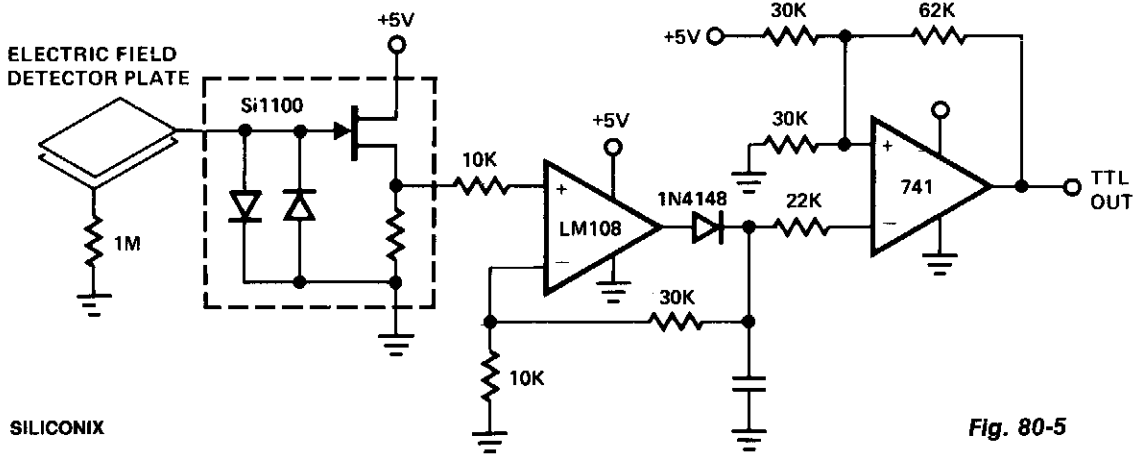


Fig. 80-5

The Si1100 series circuit input is connected to a capacitive field sensor—possibly a piece of double-sided circuit board. Any induced voltage change on the plate is fed to the input of the peak detector section of the op-amp circuit. The Schmitt trigger monitors the voltage across the capacitor and changes its output state when the capacitor voltage crossed the 2.5-trigger point. The output from the Schmitt trigger switches between 0 and 5 V and is microprocessor compatible for sensor applications, such as computer-controlled intruder alarms.

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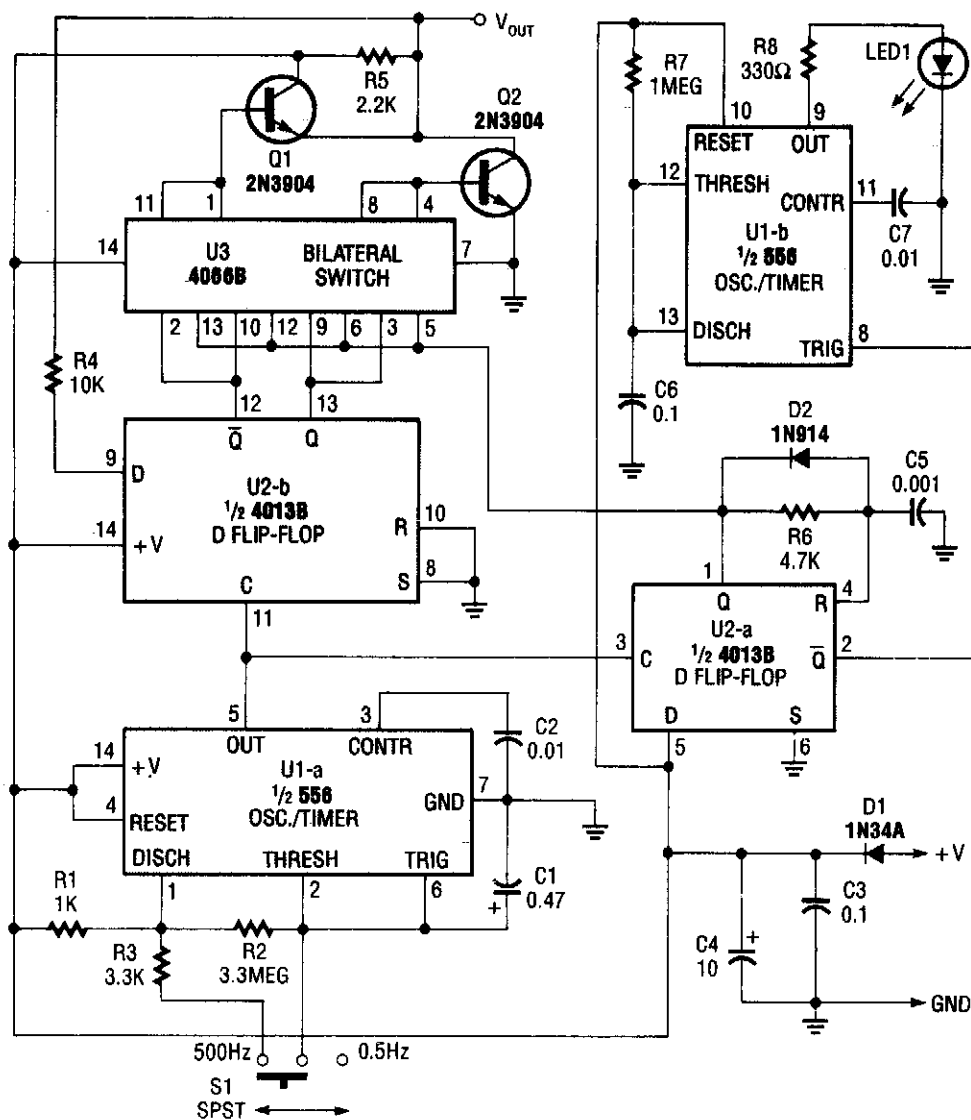
## Ramp Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

- Logic Pulser
- 300-V Pulse Generator
- Very Low Duty-Cycle Pulse Generator
- Wide-Ranging Pulser
- CMOS Short-Pulse Generator
- Voltage Controller/Pulse-Width Generator

## LOGIC PULSER



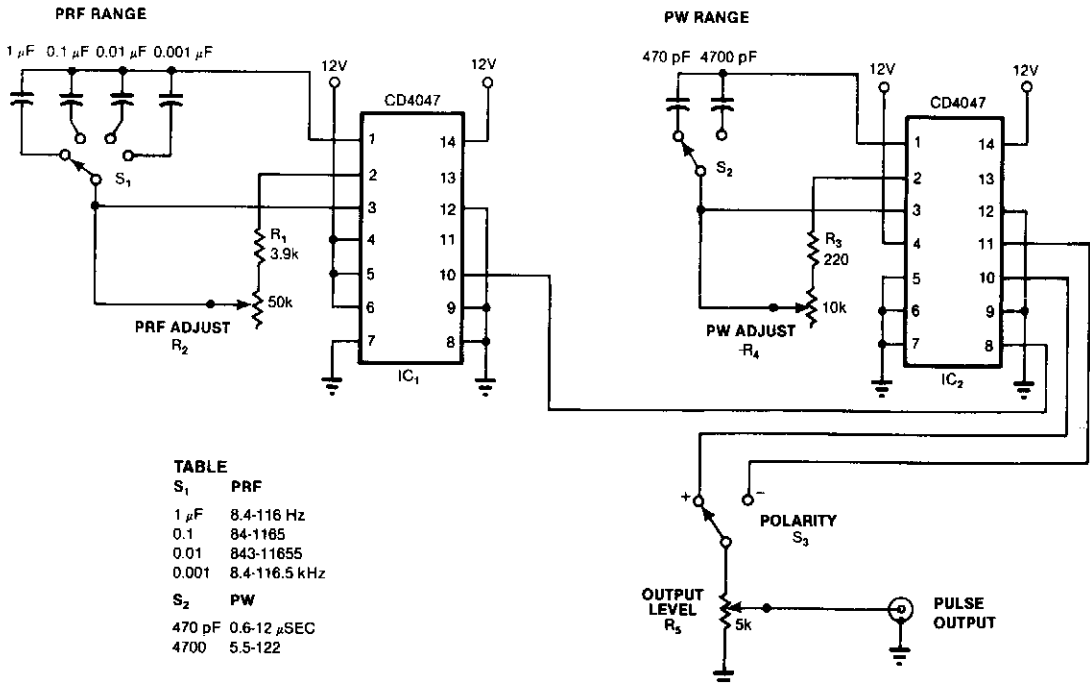
**Fig. 81-1**

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

The pulser generates pulses at a user-selected frequency of 0.5 or 500 Hz, with a pulse width of about 5 ms. If the input to be pulsed is already being driven high or low by another output, the pulser automatically pulses the input to the opposite logic state. The pulser is powered by the circuit under test, and operates from supplies of from +5 to +15 Vdc.



## WIDE-RANGING PULSER

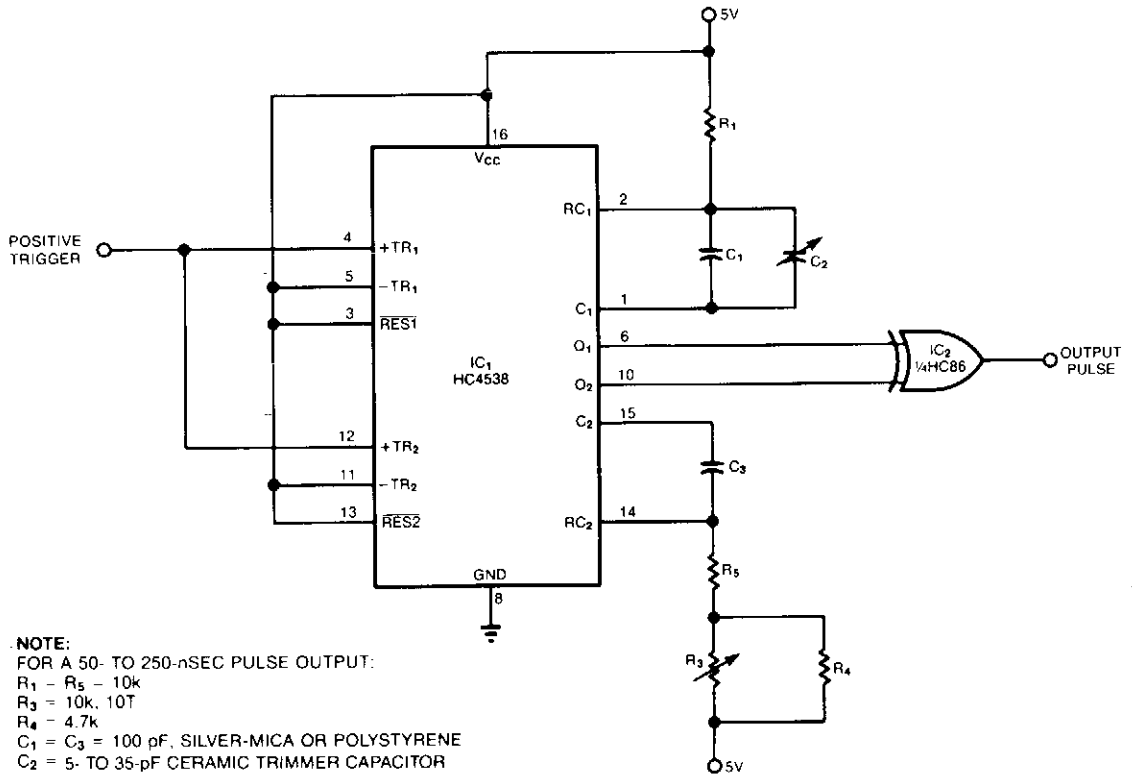


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*Fig. 81-4*

An output pulse's characteristics depend upon two multivibrator's timing components. IC1's free-running astable-mode frequency sets the pulse's prf, whereas the pulse's width comes from IC2's monostable operation.

## CMOS SHORT - PULSE GENERATOR

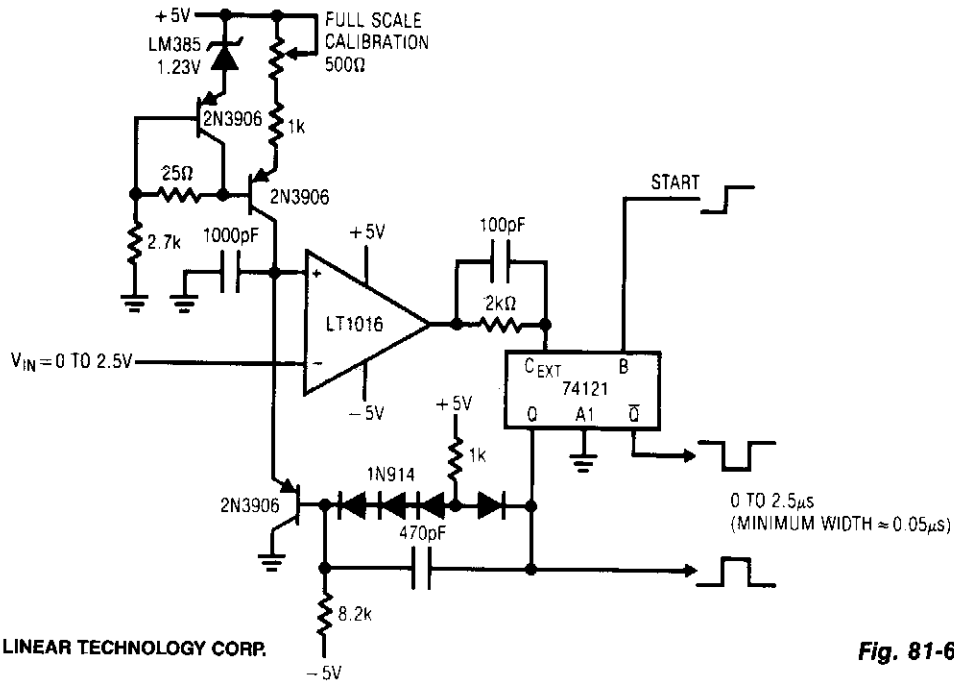


EDN

Fig. 81-5

Comprising two low-power, CMOS chips, the pulse generator produces a precise pulse width in the 50 to 500 ns range. IC1 is a dual monostable multivibrator (one shot) in which each positive trigger pulse initiates simultaneous positive output pulses at pins 6 and 10. In response, XOR gate IC2 produces a positive pulse whose duration is equal to the difference between the two input-pulse durations. Section 1 of the one shot generates an approximate 1- $\mu$ s reference pulse—shorter pulses are more susceptible to manufacturing variations caused by parasitic layout capacitance. Variable capacitor C2 lets you adjust this pulse width. Section 2 of the one shot generates a variable-length pulse; you adjust its width by using potentiometer R3. Resistors R4 and R5 set the output pulse's maximum and minimum width, respectively. Because the XOR gate's rise and fall times are about 20 ns for reasonable values of load capacitance, you should calibrate the circuit using C2 for a minimum output-width of 50 ns.

## VOLTAGE CONTROLLER/PULSE-WIDTH GENERATOR



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## Ramp Generators

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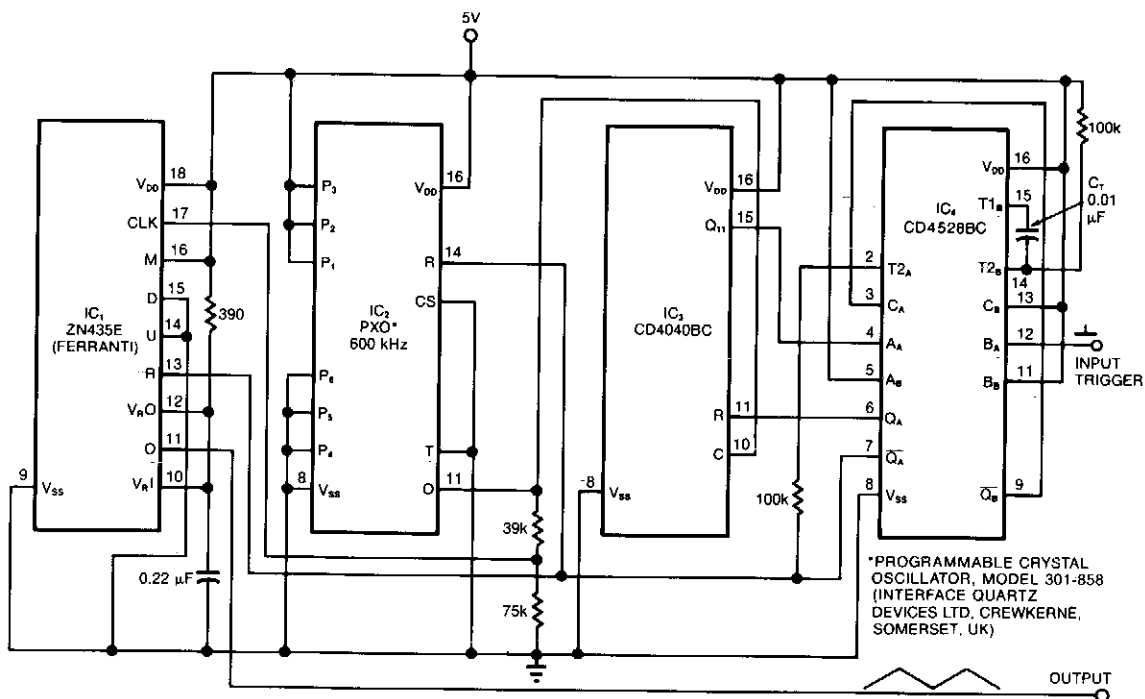
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Accurate Ramp Generator

Integrator/Ramp Generator with Initial Condition Reset



## ACCURATE RAMP GENERATOR



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**Fig. 82-1**

The ramp generator, an inexpensive alternative to commercial function generators, provides a more linear and repeatable output than conventional analog integrators. The circuit provides a triangle waveform in burst mode; in this case, two cycles of 10.24 ms each per input trigger pulse. IC4 is a dual monostable multivibrator (one shot) in which the A side is configured as a latch (see *Multivibrator IC performs extra tasks*, EDN, September 6, 1984, p. 232). The rising edge of each input pulse triggers the B side, producing at pin 9 an output pulse whose duration depends on the timing capacitor's,  $C_T$ , value—A 0.01- $\mu$ F value gives a 500  $\mu$ s pulse. This output provides a reset to the A side latch. While the latch is reset with  $Q_A$  high,  $\bar{Q}_A$  low, the other three ICs are active. The P1 through P6 connections, as shown, set oscillator IC2's frequency to 50 kHz at pin 11.

Counter IC3 counts upward. The output at pin 11 of multifunction converter IC1 ramps up to full-scale, reverses, ramps down to zero, and then repeats this sequence of events. As this output completes its second cycle, IC3 reaches a count of 1024, causing the Q11 output to become high and toggle the IC4 latch. The resulting change of state on  $Q_A$  and  $\bar{Q}_A$  resets the other three ICs, terminating further activity until the arrival of the next input trigger pulse. IC2 is included for its synchronous-reset capability, and it therefore drives the internal clock of IC1, which cannot be synchronously reset. Still IC2 can be omitted in some applications. The circuit operates from a 5-V supply. You can modify the output by changing IC2's frequency and IC3's output connection.

## INTEGRATOR/RAMP GENERATOR WITH INITIAL CONDITION RESET

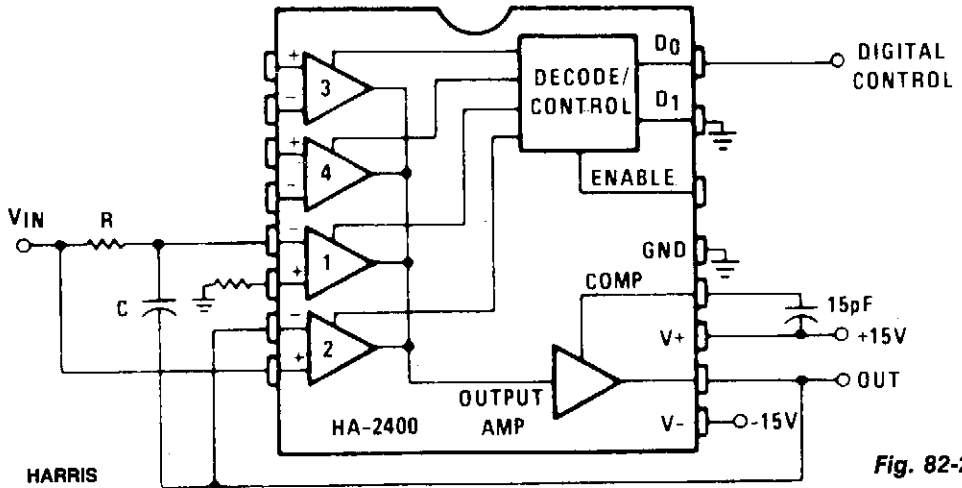


Fig. 82-2

Channel 1 is wired as a conventional integrator, and channel 2 as a voltage follower. When channel 2 is switched on, the output will follow  $V_{IN}$  and  $C$  will discharge to maintain 0 V across it. When channel 1 is then switched on, the output will initially be at the instantaneous value of  $V_{IN}$ , and then will commence integrating towards the opposite polarity. This circuit is particularly suitable for timing ramp generation using a fixed dc input. Many variations, such as building programmable time constant integrators, are possible.

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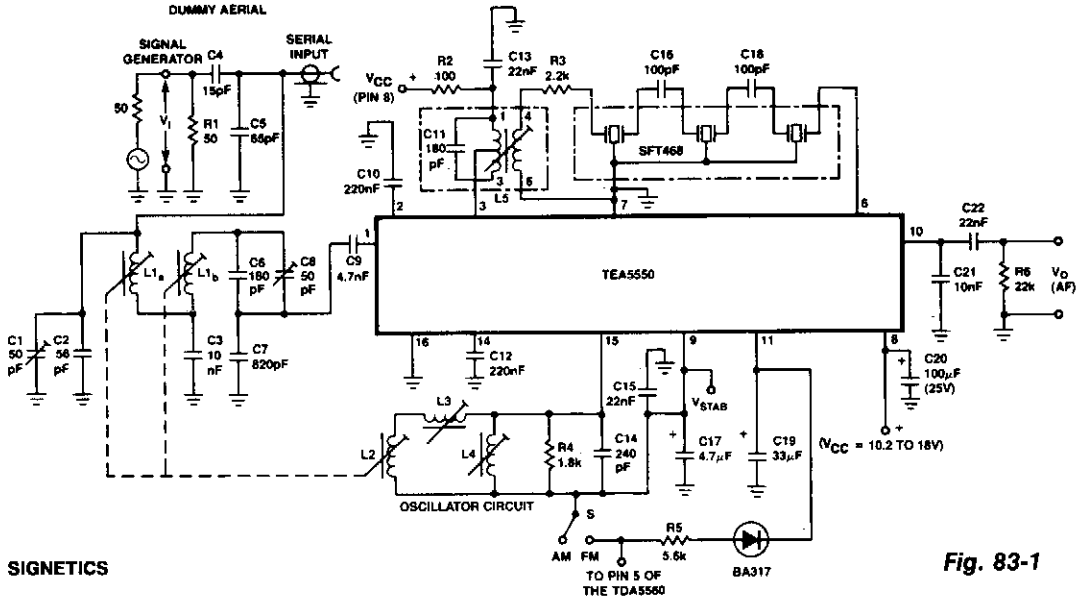
## Receivers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|                         |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| AM Radio                | FSK Data Receiver          |
| FM Tuner                | Simple Ham-Band Receiver   |
| FM MPX/SCA Receiver     | Digital Data Line Receiver |
| Narrow-Band FM Receiver | Integrated AM Receiver     |
| Low-Cost Line Receiver  |                            |

## AM RADIO



**Fig. 83-1**

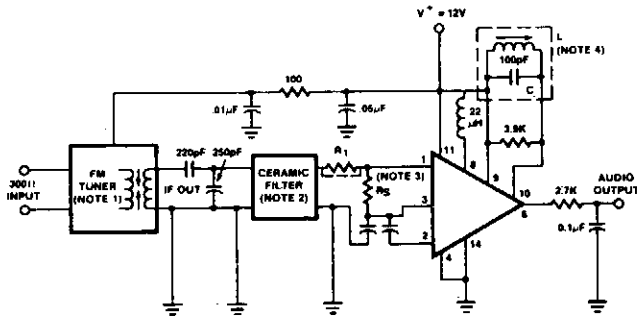
### SIGNETICS

- NOTES:**  
 Coil data: L1<sub>a</sub>, L1<sub>b</sub>, L2 = Tuning coils; ALPS unit MMK 1E11 (for coil connections see Figure 7)  
 L3 = Trimming coil (4.7μH); catalog number 3122 138 27460  
 L4 = Padding coil (200μH); catalog number 3111 118 23510  
 L5 = IF coil; catalog number 3122 138 91481

S is AM/FM switch; for printed circuit board see Figures 7 and 8.

This circuit diagram is for a double-tuned, AM-channel, in-car radio receiver using the TEA5550.

## FM TUNER



- NOTES:**  
 All resistor values are typical and in ohms.  
 1. Waller 4SN3FIC or equivalent.  
 2. Murate SFG 10.7mA or equivalent.  
 3. R<sub>S</sub> will affect stability depending on circuit layout. To increase stability R<sub>S</sub> is decreased. Range of R<sub>S</sub> is 330  
 4. L tunes with 100pF (C) at 10.7MHz Q<sub>0</sub> unloaded ≈ 75 (G.I. EX27825 or equivalent).

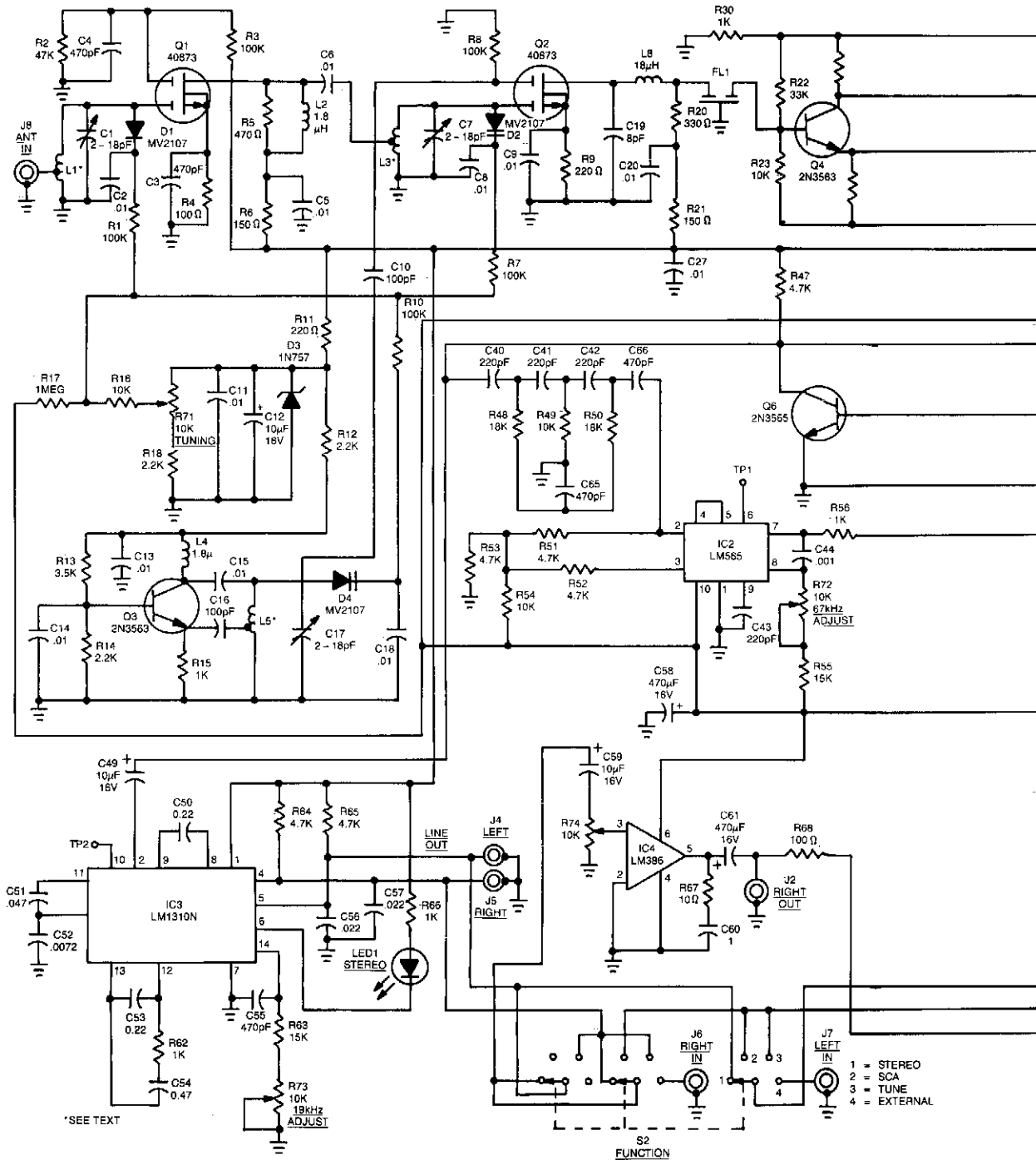
Performance data at f<sub>0</sub> = 98MHz, f<sub>MOD</sub> = 400Hz, deviation = ± 74kHz.

|                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| ± 74kHz                   | 2μV (antenna level)   |
| -3dB limiting sensitivity | 1μV (antenna level)   |
| 20dB quieting sensitivity | 1.5μV (antenna level) |
| 30dB quieting sensitivity |                       |

### SIGNETICS

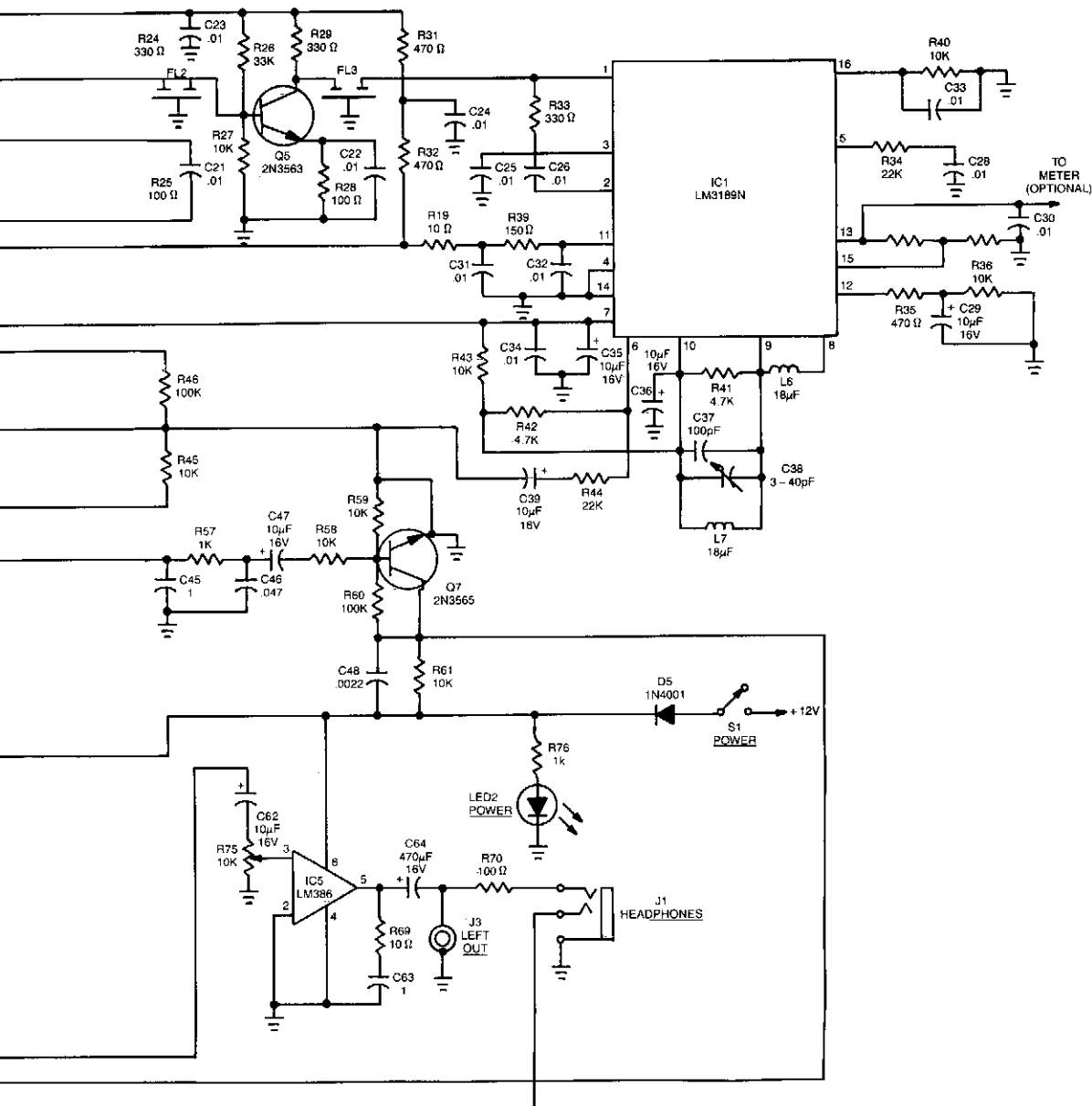
**Fig. 83-2**

# FM MPX/SCA RECEIVER



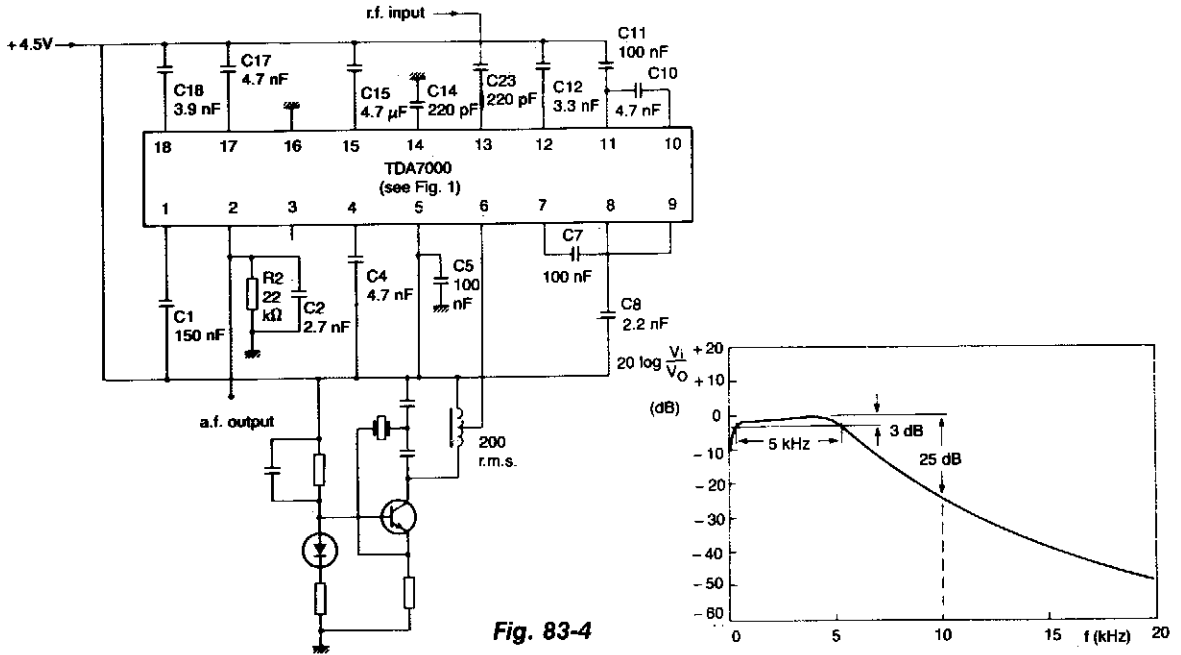
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**Fig. 83-3**



This receiver is capable of better than  $1.5 \mu$  VIHF sensitivity and uses MOSFET front-end circuitry with varactors to eliminate conventional bulky tuning capacitors. It also features high dynamic range, ceramic i-f filters requiring no alignment, and a quadrature-type detector with excellent limiting and AM rejection capability. The receiver operates from nominal 12-V supply. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

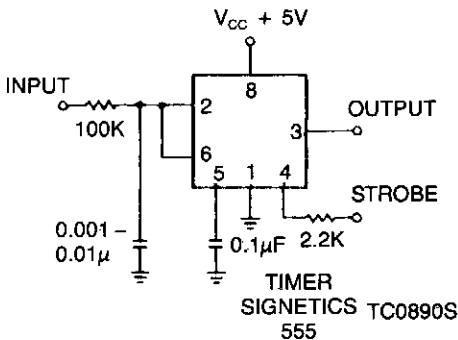
## NARROW-BAND FM RECEIVER



**Fig. 83-4**

The local oscillator is crystal-controlled and the i-f swing is hardly compressed. The deviation of the transmitted carrier frequency, because of modulation, must therefore be limited to prevent severe distortion of the demodulated audio signal. The component values result in an i-f of 4.5 kHz and an i-f bandwidth of 5 kHz. If the i-f is multiplied by  $N$ , the values of capacitors C17 and C18 in the all-pass filters, and the values of filter capacitors C7, C8, C10, C11, and C12 must be multiplied by  $1/N$ . For improved i-f selectivity to achieve greater adjacent channel attenuation, second-order networks can be used in place of C10 and C11.

## LOW-COST LINE RECEIVER



This timer makes an excellent line receiver for control applications involving relatively slow electromechanical devices. It can work without special drivers over single, unshielded lines.

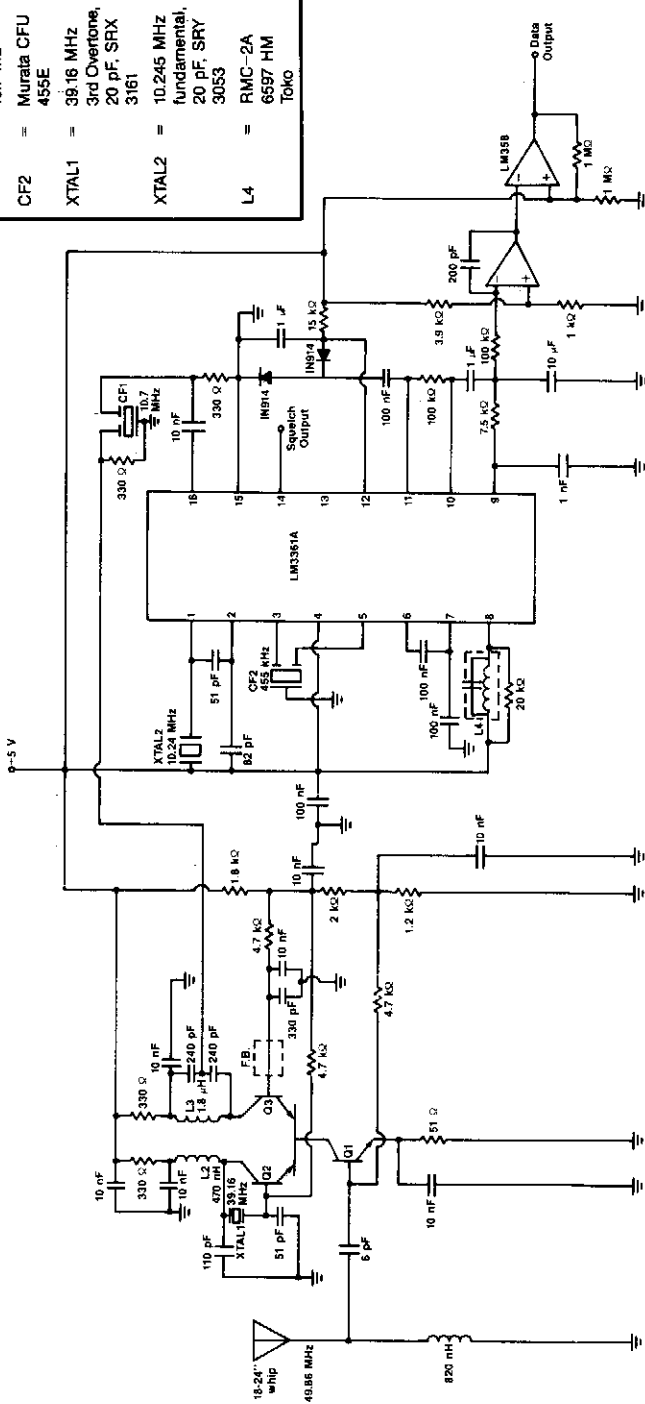
NOTE:  
ALL RESISTOR VALUES ARE IN OHMS.

SIGNETICS

**Fig. 83-5**

## FSK DATA RECEIVER

| Parts List         |  |
|--------------------|--|
| Q <sub>1,2,3</sub> | = MPSH 20  |
| CF1                | = Murata SFE<br>10.7 ML                            |
| CF2                | = Murata CFU<br>455E                               |
| XTAL1              | = 39.16 MHz<br>3rd Overtone,<br>20 pF, SRX<br>3161 |
| XTAL2              | = 10.245 MHz<br>fundamental,<br>20 pF, SRY<br>3053 |
| L4                 | = RMC-2A<br>6597 HM<br>Tokko                       |



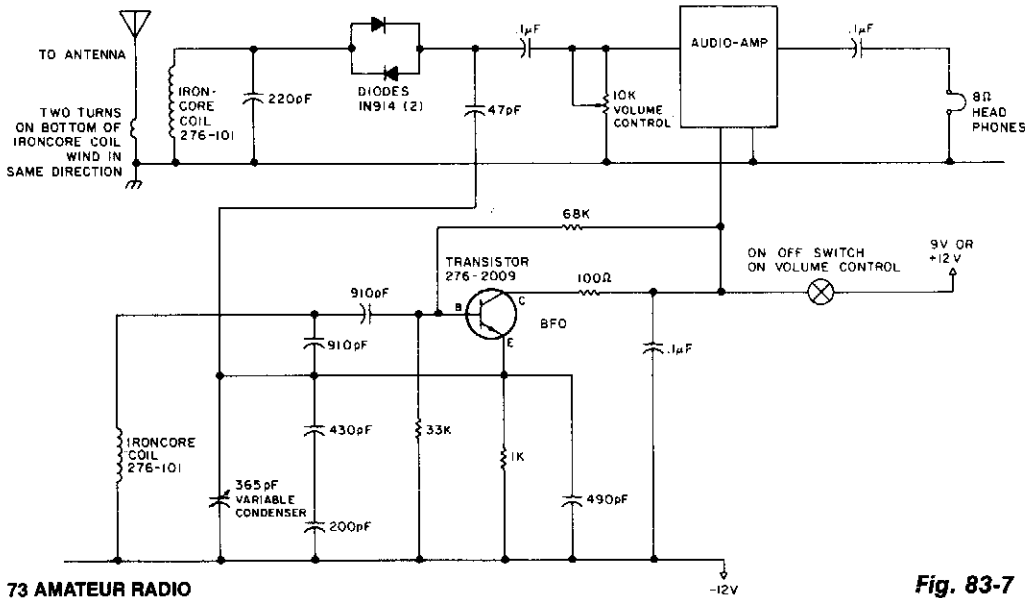
M. Lee, "A Simple FSK Data Receiver," RF Design, March 1967, p. 46.

Fig. 83-6

The various signal frequencies are obtained for an incoming carrier centered at 49.86 MHz. The receiver employs double conversion, with i-fs at 10.7 MHz and 455 kHz. Ceramic filters are used in both i-fs for selectivity and reduced-coil count. A quadrature detector is used to recover the baseband data, and an integrator and Schmitt trigger are used to filter the demodulated output. Also included is a squelch circuit that functions as a status line, and the open-collector output switches high when a signal is received. The LM3361A functions as the 2nd LO, 2nd mixer, limiting i-f, quadrature detector, and squelch; yet, it consumes less than 4 mA from a 5-V logic supply. The entire receiver requires approximately 10 mA.

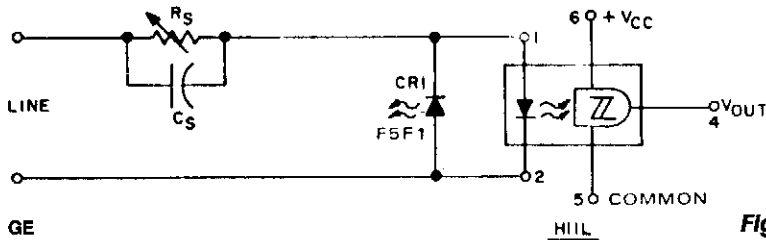


## SIMPLE HAM-BAND RECEIVER



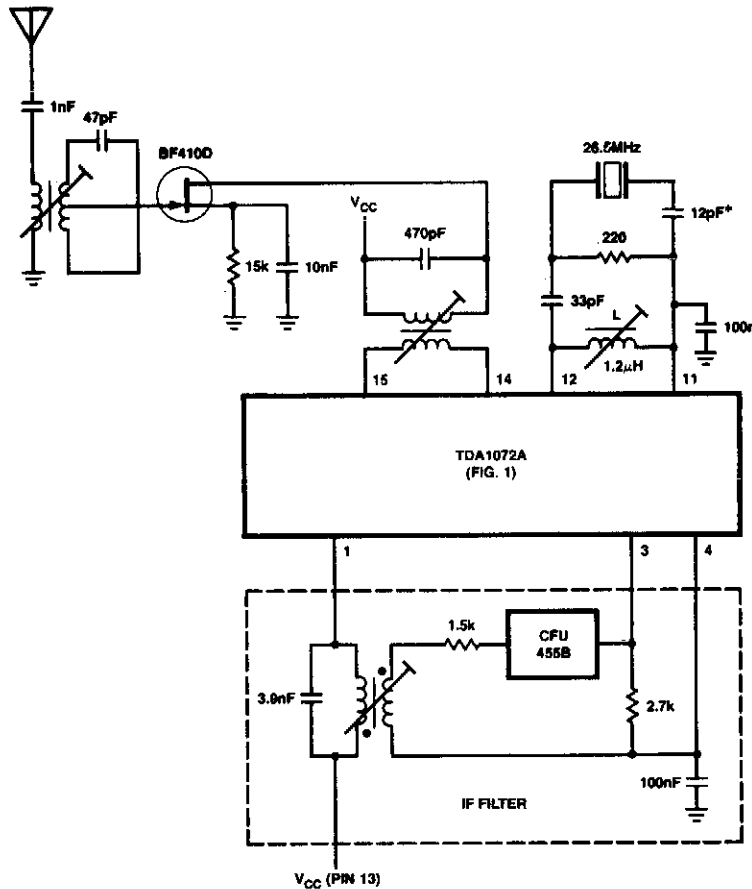
This circuit is configured for the 80m band. The 365-pF, broadcast-band variable capacitor should have a vernier drive with a six-to-one ratio, which makes tuning easier by separating the stations on the dial. A good antenna and ground are also recommended. The Radio Shack iron-core chokes (276-101), used in the bfo part of the circuit, can be calibrated by listening for the bfo signal in a calibrated receiver.

## DIGITAL DATA LINE RECEIVER



When digital data is transmitted over long lines (longer than 1 meter), proper transfer is often disturbed by the parasitic effects of ground level shifts and ground loops, as well as by extraneous noise picked up along the way. An optocoupler, such as the H11L, combining galvanic isolation to minimize ground loop currents and their concomitant common-mode voltages, with predictable switching levels to enhance noise immunity, can significantly reduce erratic behavior. Resistor  $R_S$  is programmed for the desired switching threshold,  $C_S$  is an optional speed-up capacitor, and CR1 is an LED used as a simple diode to provide perfect line balance and a discharge path for  $C_S$  if the speed-up capacitor is used.

## INTEGRATED AM RECEIVER



**NOTE:**  
A crystal Oscillator is used so that a narrow-band hybrid IF filter can be used.

**SIGNETICS**

**Fig. 83-9**

This circuit has aerial and local oscillator circuits for a 27-MHz receiver for remote control of garage doors, projectors, curtains, etc.

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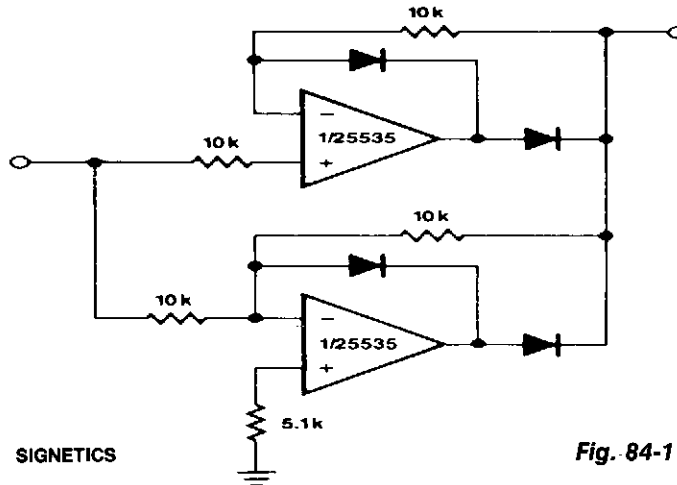
## Rectifier Circuits

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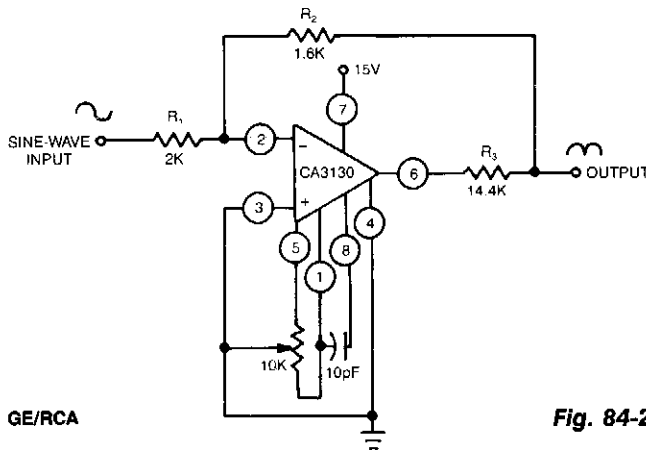
Precision Full-Wave Rectifier  
Diodeless Precision Rectifier

## PRECISION FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER



This circuit provides accurate full-wave rectification. The output impedance is low for both input polarities, and the errors are small at all signal levels. Note that the output will not sink heavy currents, except a small amount through the 10-K $\Omega$  resistors. Therefore, the load applied should be referenced to ground or a negative voltage. The reversal of all diode polarities will reverse the polarity of the output. Since the outputs of the amplifiers must slew through two diode drops when the input polarity changes, the 741-type devices give 5% distortion at about 300 Hz.

## DIODELESS PRECISION RECTIFIER



A CA3130 BiMOS op amp, acts as an attenuator for positive inputs and as a conventional op amp for negative signals. With 1-V rms input and a circuit gain of 0.8, its frequency response is  $-1\%$  at 60 kHz and  $-1$  dB at 300 kHz.

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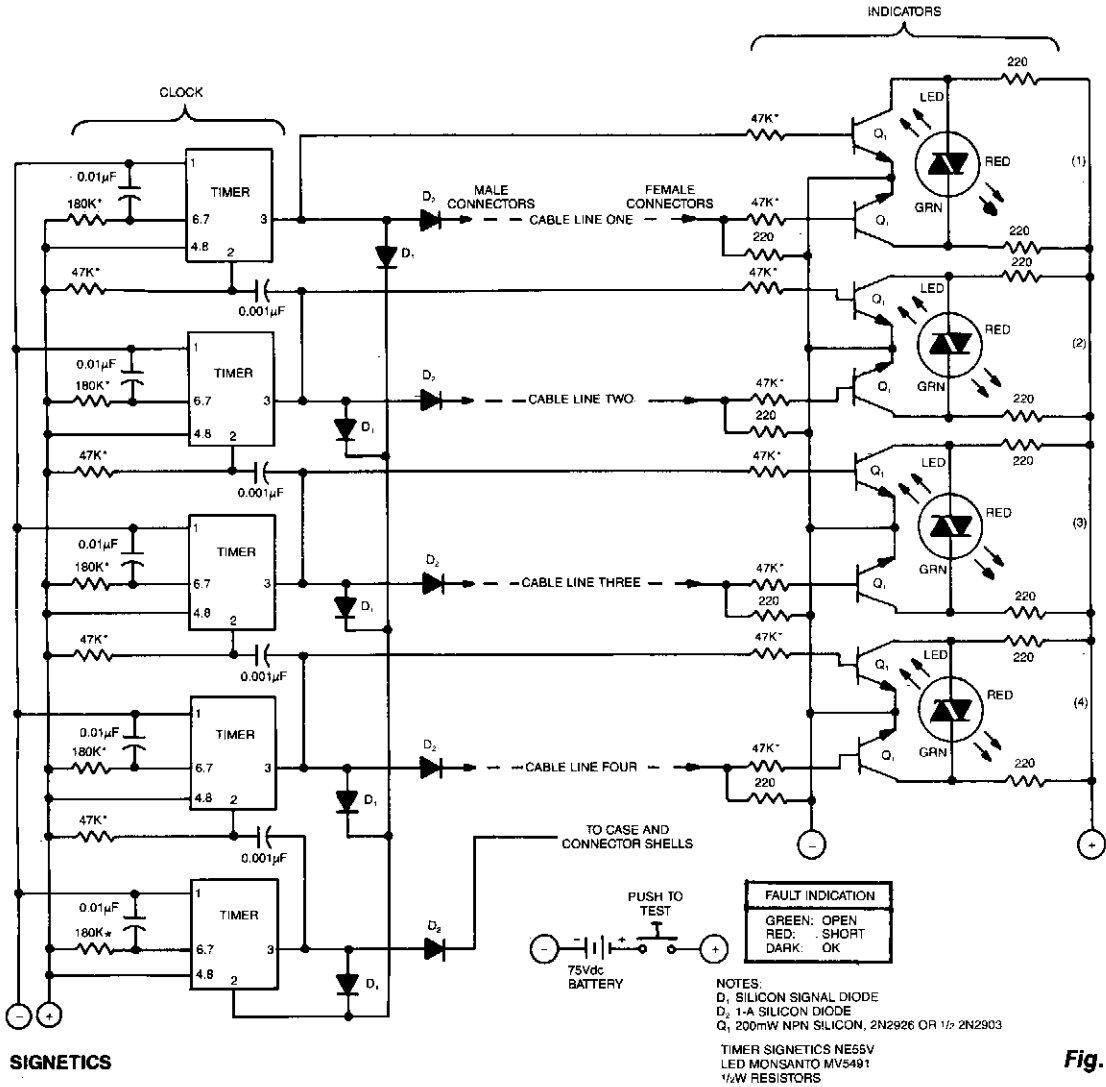
## Resistance/Continuity Meters

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Cable Tester  
Continuity Tester  
Linear Ohmmeter

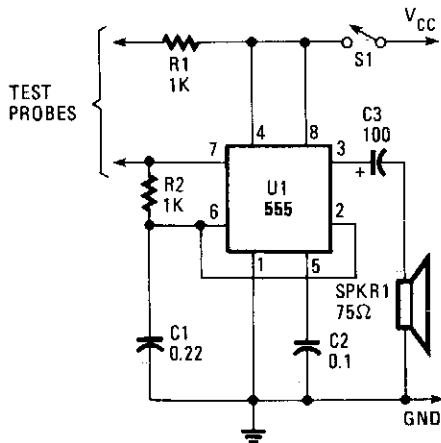
# CABLE TESTER



**Fig. 85-1**

This compact tester checks cables for open-circuit or short-circuit conditions. A differential transistor pair at one end of each cable line remains balanced as long as the same clock pulse generated by timer IC appears at both ends of the line. A clock pulse, just at the clock end of the line, lights a green LED, and a clock pulse, only at the other end, lights a red LED.

## CONTINUITY TESTER

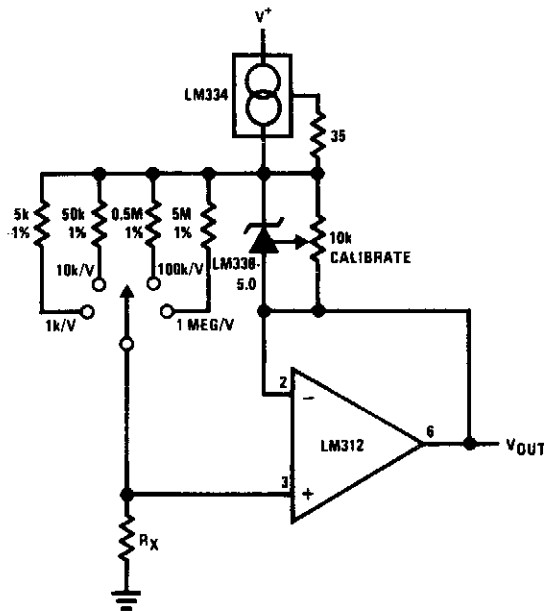


The continuity tester feeds a voltage through the positive probe to the circuit-under-test, while the negative probe serves as the return line. Voltage that returns to the tester through the negative probe triggers the circuit, giving an audible indication of continuity.

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Fig. 85-2

## LINEAR OHMMETER



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Fig. 85-3

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## Rf Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

1296-MHz Solid-State Power Amplifier  
10 dB-Gain Amplifier  
2 – 30 MHz Amplifier  
450-MHz Common-Gate Amplifier  
Rf Wideband Adjustable AGC Amplifier

1-MHz Meter-Driver Amplifier  
5-W 150-MHz Amplifier  
UHF-TV Preamplifier  
60-W 225 – 400 MHz Amplifier



# 1296-MHZ SOLID-STATE POWER AMPLIFIER

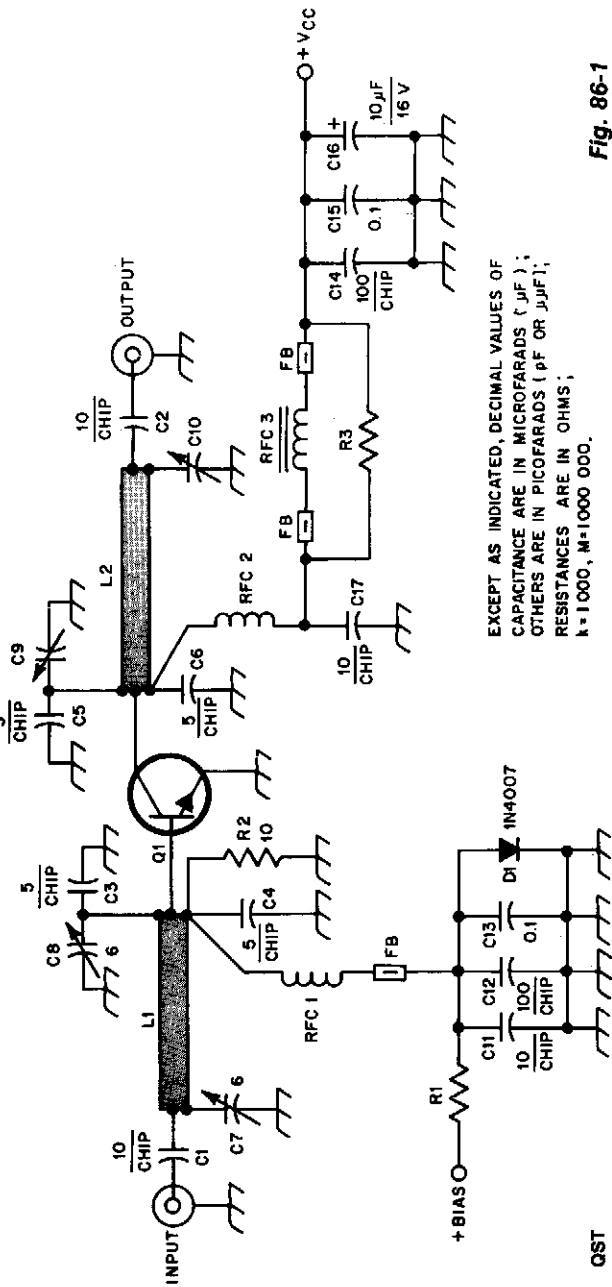


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of the NEL1306 and NEL1320 1296-MHz solid-state power amplifiers. The schematic is identical for both versions. Component values are the same except as noted.

- C1, C2, C11, C17—10-pF chip capacitor.
- C3, C4, C5, C6—3.6- to 5.0-pF chip capacitor.
- C7, C8—1.8- to 6.0-pF miniature trimmer capacitor (Mouser 24AA070 or equiv. See text).
- C9, C10—Same as C7 and C8 for the NEL1306 amplifier. For the NEL1320 version, 0.8- to 10-pF piston trimmers are used (Johanson 5200 series or equiv.).
- C12, C14—100-pF chip capacitor.
- C13, C15—0.1-µF disc ceramic capacitor.
- C16—10-µF electrolytic capacitor.
- D1—1N4007 diode.
- L1, L2—30-ohm microstripline, ¼-wavelength long (see text).
- Q1—NEC NEL130681-12 (6 W) or NEL132081-12 (18 W) transistor.
- R1—82- to 100-Ω resistor, 2-W minimum. Vary for specified idling current.
- R2—10-Ω, ¼-W carbon-composition resistor with "zero" lead length. See text.
- R3—15-Ω, 1-W carbon-composition resistor.
- RFC1—3t no. 24 wire, 0.125 inch ID, spaced 1 wire diam.
- RFC2—1t no. 24 wire, 0.125 inch ID, spaced 1 wire diam.
- RFC3—1-µH RF choke; 18t no. 24 enam. close-spaced on a T50-10 toroid core.

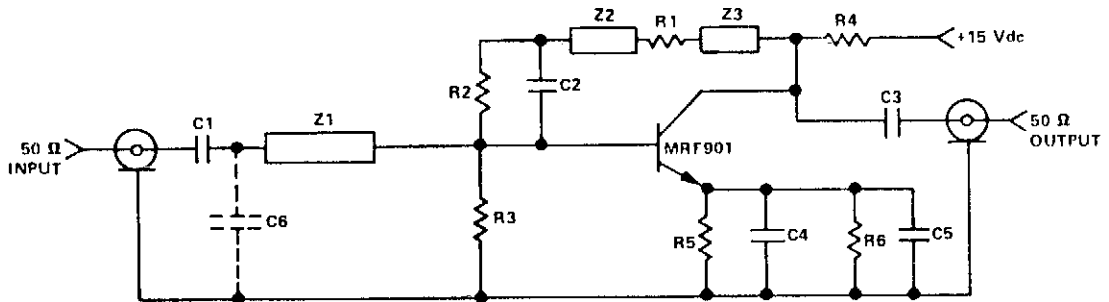
Fig. 86-1

EXCEPT AS INDICATED, DECIMAL VALUES OF CAPACITANCE ARE IN MICROFARADS (µF); OTHERS ARE IN PICOFARADS (pF OR pF); RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS; k=1000, M=10000 000.

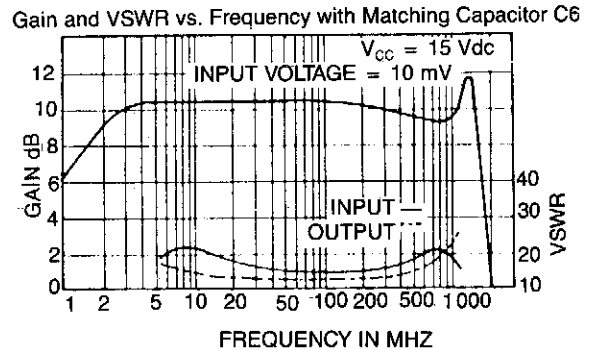
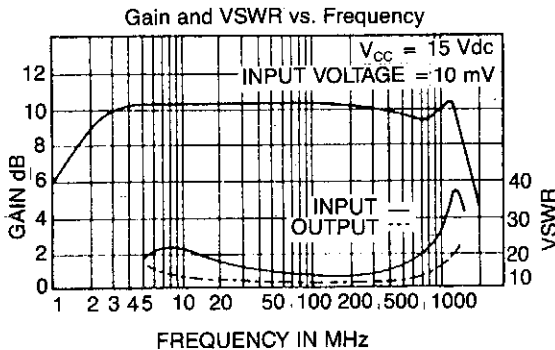
QST

The design incorporates 30-Ω, ¼λ microstrip lines on the input and output. C3, C4, C7, and C8, along with L1, form a pi network that matches the low-input impedance of the device to 50 Ω. C5, C6, C9, C10, and 30-Ω transmission line L2 form an output pi network that maximizes power transfer to 50 Ω. C10 is not always necessary, depending on variations among devices and circuit-board material. Bias is provided by R1, R2, and D1. R1 can be optimized, if desired, to adjust the collector idling current.

## 10 dB-GAIN AMPLIFIER



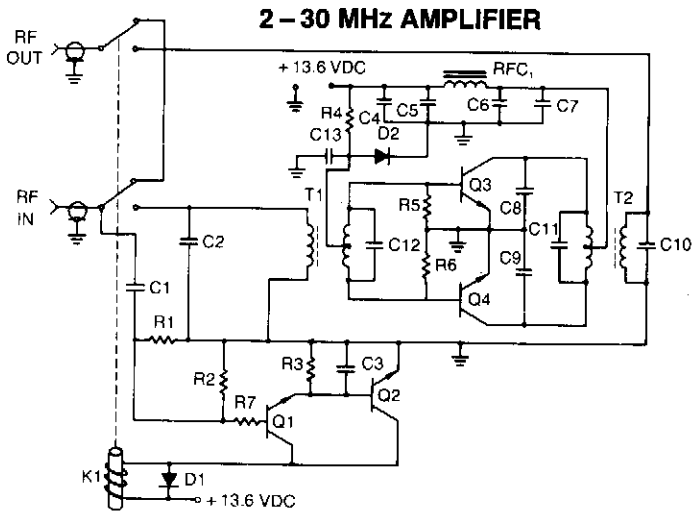
- |        |                                  |    |                                    |           |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|----|------------------------------------|-----------|---|
| C1-C3  | - 2200 pF chip capacitor         | Z3 | - 0.3" × 0.125" microstrip line    | R4        | - 560Ω carbon resistor  |
| C4, C5 | - 6.5 pF chip capacitor          | R1 | - 200Ω 1/8" W, ±5% carbon resistor | R5, R6    | - 15Ω ±5% chip resistor   |
| C6     | - Optional 2.1 pF chip capacitor | R2 | - 4.3kΩ carbon resistor            | Substrate | - 1 oz. copper, double-sided glass Teflon® board 0.0625" thick, ε ≈ 2.5 |
| Z1     | - 0.3" × 0.125" microstrip line  | R3 | - 680Ω carbon resistor             |           |   |
| Z2     | - 0.15" × 0.125" microstrip line |    |                                    |           |   |



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**Fig. 86-2**

This circuit design is a class A amplifier employing both ac and dc feedback. Bias is stabilized at 15 mA of the collector current using dc feedback from the collector. The ac feedback, from collector to base, and in each of the partially bypassed emitter circuits, compensates for the increase in device gain with decreasing frequency, yielding a flat response over a maximum bandwidth. The amplifier shows a nominal 10-dB power gain from 3 MHz to 1.4 GHz. With only a minimum matching network used at the amplifier input, the input VSWR remains less than 2.5:1 to approximately 1 GHz, while the output VSWR stays under 2:1. Note that a slight degradation in gain flatness and output VSWR occurs with the addition of C6. A more elaborate network design would probably optimize impedance matching, while maintaining gain flatness.



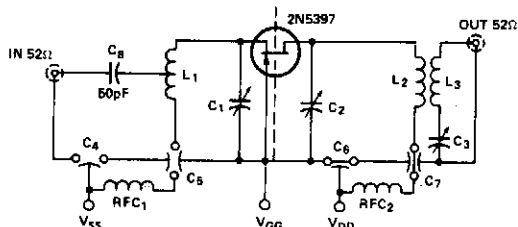
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| C1—33 pF dipped mica  | R—100 K $\Omega$ , 0.25 W                              |
| C2—18 pF dipped mica  | R2—10 K $\Omega$ , 0.25 W                              |
| C3—10 $\mu$ F, 35 VDC for AM operation<br>100 $\mu$ F, 35 VDC for SSB operation | R3—10 K $\Omega$ , 0.25 W                              |
| C4—0.1 $\mu$ F Erie   | R4—33 $\Omega$ , 5 W wirewound                         |
| C5—10 $\mu$ F, 35 VDC electrolytic  | R5, R6—10 $\Omega$ , 0.5 W                             |
| C6—1 $\mu$ F tantalum   | R7—100 $\Omega$ , 0.25 W                               |
| C7—0.001 $\mu$ F Erie disk  | RFC1—9 ferrocube beads on No. 18 AWG wire              |
| C8, C9—330 pF dipped mica   | D1—1N4001  |
| C10—24 pF dipped mica   | D2—1N4997  |
| C11—910 pF dipped mica  | Q1, Q2—2N4401  |
| C12—1100 pF dipped mica   | Q3, Q4—MRF454  |
| C13—500 $\mu$ F, 3 VDC electrolytic   | T1, T2—16:1 transformers                               |
|   | K1—Potter & Brumfield KT11A 12 VDC relay or equivalent |

MICROWAVES AND RF

Fig. 86-3

This amplifier provides 140-W PEP nominal output power when supplied with input levels as low as 3 W. Both input and output transformers have a 4:1 turn ratio and a 16:1 impedance ratio to achieve low input VSWR across the band with high-saturation capability.

### 450-MHZ COMMON-GATE AMPLIFIER



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|---|--------------------------|
| C <sub>1</sub> , C <sub>2</sub> , C <sub>3</sub> — 0.8 – 12 pF Johanson type 2950                   | V <sub>DD</sub> = 10V    |
| C <sub>4</sub> , C <sub>5</sub> , C <sub>6</sub> , C <sub>7</sub> — 1000 pF Allen-Bradley type SS5D | I <sub>D</sub> = 10mA    |
| RFC <sub>1,2</sub> — 0.15 $\mu$ H Delevan type 1537-00  | NF Typ 3.2dB             |
| L <sub>1</sub> — 1.5" long; #18 copper  | G <sub>ps</sub> Typ 10dB |
| L <sub>2</sub> — 1.2" long; #18 copper  |                          |
| L <sub>3</sub> — 2.0" long; #22 copper enamel, loosely coupled<br>to L <sub>2</sub> , 0.75" spacing |                          |

This is a low noise, 3-dB typical NF, amplifier with about 10-dB gain at 450–470 MHz for VHF two-way applications.

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Fig. 86-4

## RF WIDEBAND ADJUSTABLE AGC AMPLIFIER

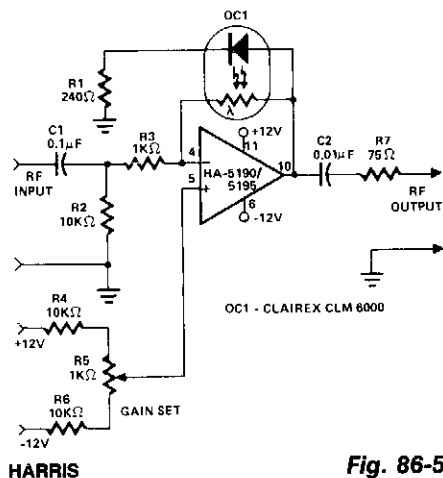


Fig. 86-5

This circuit functions as a wideband adjustable AGC amplifier. With an effective bandwidth of approximately 10 MHz, it is capable of handling rf input signal frequencies from 3.2 to 10 MHz at levels ranging from 40 mV up to 3 V pk-pk.

AGC action is achieved by using optocoupler/isolator OC1 as part of the gain control-feedback loop. In operation, the positive peaks of the ampli-

fied output signal drive the OC1 LED into a conducting state. Since the resistance of the OC1 photosensitive element is inversely proportional to light intensity, the higher the signal level, the lower the feedback resistance to the op amp inverting input. The greater negative feedback lowers stage gain. Any changes in gain occur smoothly because the inherent memory characteristic of the photoresistor acts to integrate the peak signal inputs. In practice, the stage gain is adjusted automatically to where the output signal positive peaks are approximately one diode drop above ground.

Gain set control R5 applies a fixed dc bias to the op amp noninverting input, thus establishing the steady state-zero input signal current through the OC1 LED and determining the signal level at which AGC action begins.

The effective AGC range depends on a number of factors, including individual device characteristics, the nature of the rf drive signal, the initial setting for R5, et al. Theoretically, the AGC range can be as high as 4000:1 for a perfect op amp because the OC1 photoresistor can vary in value from 1 MΩ with the LED dark to 250 Ω with the LED fully on.

## 1-MHZ METER-DRIVER AMPLIFIER

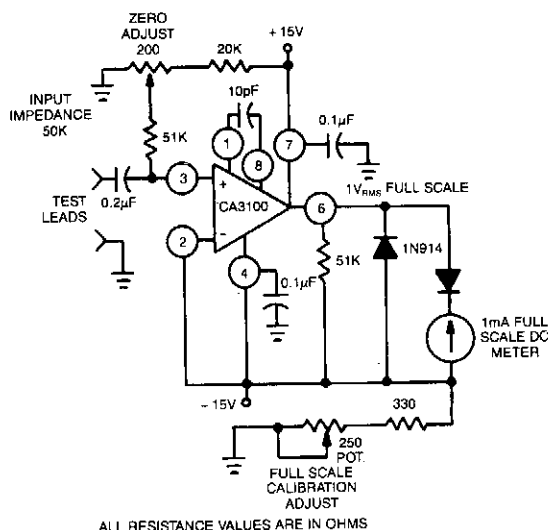
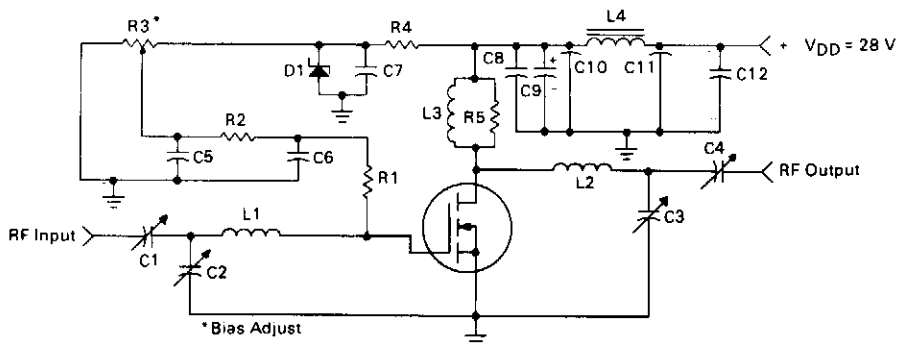


Fig. 86-6

This circuit uses the CA3100 BiMOS op amp to drive a 1-mA meter movement to full scale with 1-V rms input.

## 5-W 150-MHz AMPLIFIER



C1, C4 — Arco 406, 15–115 pF

C2 — Arco 403, 3–35 pF

C3 — Arco 402, 1.5–20 pF

C5, C6, C7, C8, C12 — 0.1  $\mu$ F Erie Redcap

C9 — 10  $\mu$ F, 50 V

C10, C11 — 680 pF Feedthru

D1 — 1N5925A Motorola Zener

L1 — 3 Turns, 0.310" ID, #18 AWG Enamel, 0.2" Long

L2 — 3-1/2 Turns, 0.310" ID, #18 AWG Enamel, 0.25" Long

L3 — 20 Turns, #20 AWG Enamel Wound on R5

L4 — Ferroxcube VK-200 — 19/4B

R1 — 68  $\Omega$ , 1.0 W Thin Film

R2 — 10 k $\Omega$ , 1/4 W

R3 — 10 Turns, 10 k $\Omega$  Beckman Instruments 8108

R4 — 1.8 k $\Omega$ , 1/2 W

R5 — 1.0 M $\Omega$ , 2.0 W Carbon

Board — G10, 62 mils

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Fig. 86-7

This circuit utilizes the MRF123 TMOS power FET. The MRF134 is a very high gain FET that is potentially unstable at both VHF and UHF frequencies. Note that a 68- $\Omega$  input loading resistor has been utilized to enhance stability. This amplifier has a gain of 14 dB and a drain efficiency of 55%.

## UHF-TV PREAMPLIFIER

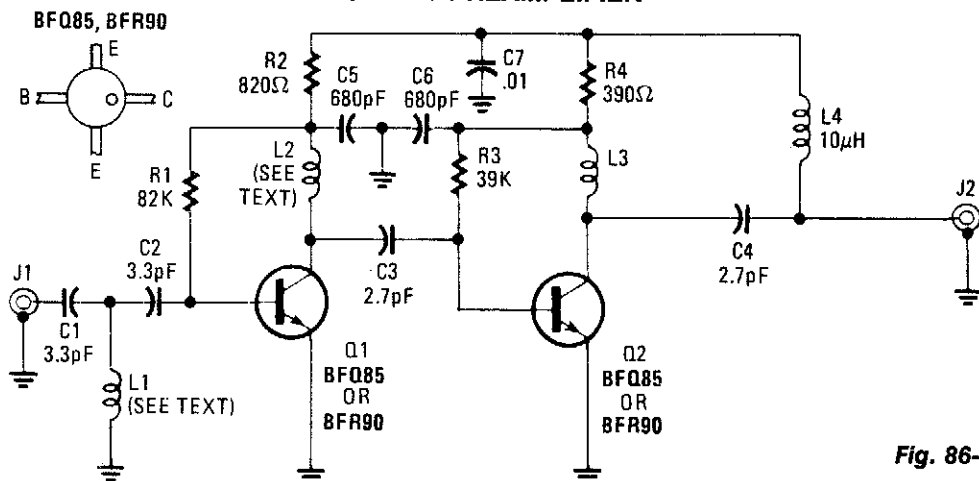
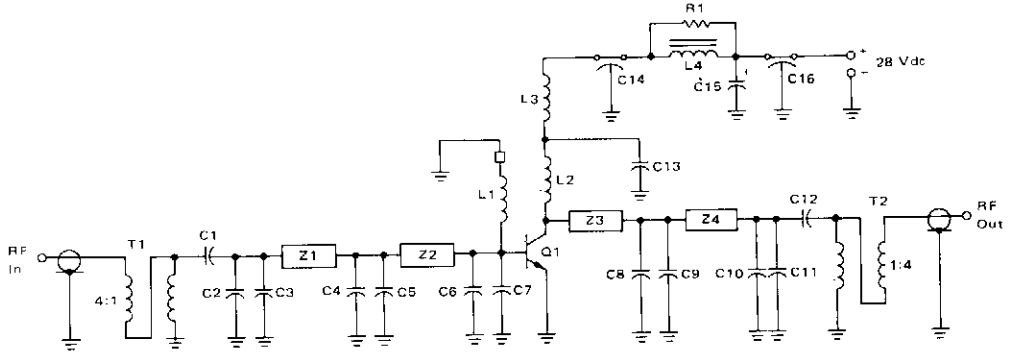


Fig. 86-8

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An inexpensive, antenna-mounted, UHF-TV preamplifier can add more than 25 dB of gain. The first stage of the preamp is biased for optimum noise, the second stage for optimum gain. L1, L2 strip line  $\approx \lambda/8$  part of PC board.

## 60-W 225–400 MHz AMPLIFIER



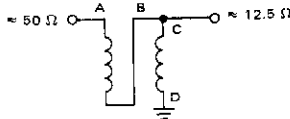
C1 – 63 pF Chip  
 C2, C8 – 27 pF Chip  
 C3 – 24 pF Chip  
 C4 – 15 pF Chip  
 C5, C9 – 30 pF Chip  
 C6, C7 – 50 pF Chip  
 C10 – 10 pF Chip  
 C11 – 5.1 pF Chip  
 C12 – 150 pF Chip  
 C13 – 270 pF Chip  
 C14, C16 – 680 pF Feedthru  
 C15 – 1.0  $\mu$ F 50 V Tantalum

All Chip Capacitors are 100 mil TDK-ACI Co.,  
 Style FC282 BAG  
 L1 – 0.15  $\mu$ H Molded Choke with Ferroxcube  
 Bead #56-590-65/48 on ground end of coil  
 L2 – 1 Turn #22 AWG, 1/8" ID  
 L3 – 0.15  $\mu$ H Molded Choke  
 L4 – Ferroxcube VK-200 19/4B  
 Q1 – 2N6439  
 R1 – 10  $\Omega$  2 Watt  
 T1, T2 – 25  $\Omega$  Subminiature Coax (Type UT25)  
 2.25 inches (57.15 mm) long

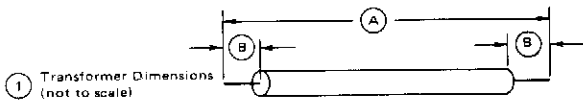
Z1 – Microstrip Line  
 800 mils L X 225 mils W  
 20.32 mm L X 5.715 mm W  
 Z2 – Microstrip Line  
 200 mils L X 225 mils W  
 5.08 mm L X 5.715 mm W  
 Z3, Z4 – Microstrip Line  
 550 mils L X 125 mils W  
 13.97 mm L X 3.175 mm W  
 Board – 0.031" (0.787 mm) Glass Teflon  
 $\epsilon_r = 2.56$

### 2N6439 60 Watt Building Block 225–400 MHz

SCHEMATIC REPRESENTATION



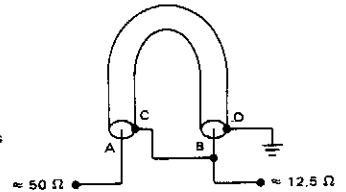
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① Transformer Dimensions  
 (not to scale)

② Transformer Connections

- Ⓐ – 2.25 inches (5.715 cm)
- Ⓑ – 0.1875 inch (0.476 cm)



**Fig. 86-9**

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### Construction Details of the 4:1 Unbalanced to Unbalanced Transformers

This 60-W, 28-V broadband amplifier covers the 225–400 MHz military communications band. The amplifier may be used singly as a 60-W output stage in a 225–400 MHz transmitter, or by using two of these amplifiers combined with quadrature couplers, a 100-W output amplifier stage can be constructed. The circuit is designed to be driven from a 50- $\Omega$  source and work into a nominal 50- $\Omega$  load. The input network consists of two microstrip L-sections composed of Z1, Z2, and C2 through C6. C1 serves as a dc-blocking capacitor. A 4:1 impedance ratio coaxial transformer T1 completes the input matching network. L1 and a ferrite bead serve as a base decoupling choke. The output circuit consists of shunt inductor L2 at the collector, followed by two microstrip L-sections composed of Z3, Z4, and C8 through C11. C12 serves as a dc blocking capacitor, and is followed by another 4:1 impedance ratio coaxial transformer. Collector decoupling is accomplished through the use of L3, L4, C14, C15, C16, and R1.

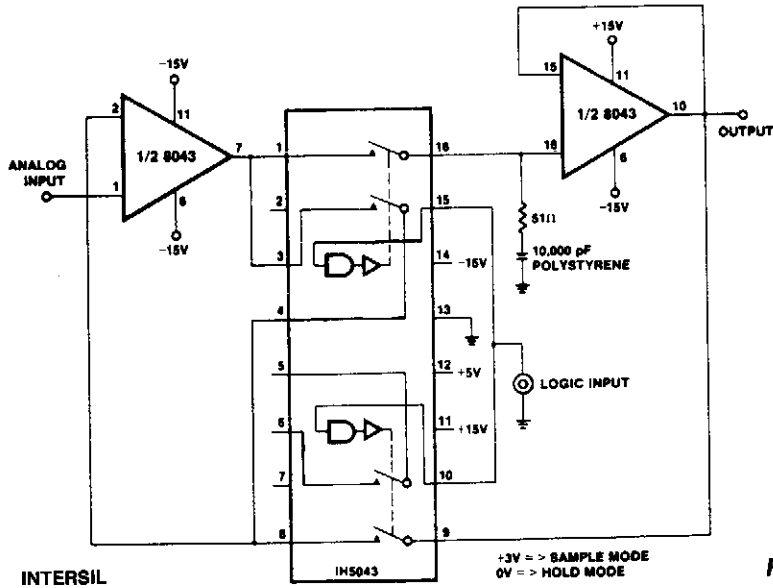
## Sample-and-Hold Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

|  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Sample-and-Hold                          | Sample-and-Hold                    |
| Basic Track-and-Hold/<br>Sample-and-Hold | Track-and-Hold/<br>Sample-and-Hold |
| High-Speed Sample-and-Hold               | Inverting Sample-and-Hold          |
| Filtered Sample-and-Hold                 | Sample-and-Hold                    |
| Sample-and-Hold                          |                                    |

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

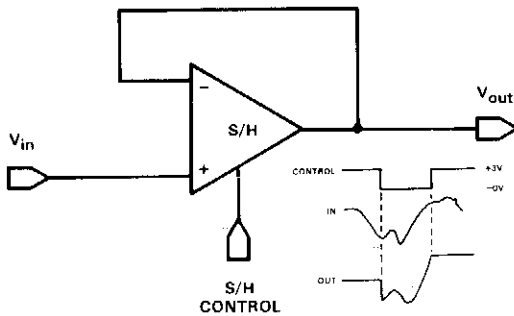


**Fig. 87-1**

Two important properties of the 8043 are used to advantage in this circuit. The low input bias currents give rise to slow output decay rates (droop) in the hold mode, while the high slew rate at  $6\text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$  improves the tracking speed and the response time of the circuit. The upper waveform is the input  $10\text{ V}/\text{div}$ , the lower waveform the output  $5\text{ V}/\text{div}$ . The logic input is high.

The center waveform is the analog input, a ramp moving at about  $67\text{ V}/\text{ms}$ , the lower waveform is the logic input to the sample-and-hold; a logic 1 initiates the sample mode. The upper waveform is the output, displaced by about one scope division  $2\text{ V}$  from the input to avoid superimposing traces. The hold mode, during which the output remains constant, is clearly visible. At the beginning of a sample period, the output takes about  $8\text{ }\mu\text{s}$  to catch up with the input, after which it tracks, until the next hold period.

## BASIC TRACK-AND-HOLD/SAMPLE-AND-HOLD



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**Fig. 87-2**

Feedback is the same as a conventional op-amp voltage follower which yields a unity-gain, noninverting output. This hookup also has a very high input impedance. The only difference between a track-and-hold and a sample-and-hold is the time period during which the switch is closed. In track-and-hold operation, the switch is closed for a relatively long period; the output signal might change appreciably and would hold the level present at the instant the switch is opened. In sample-and-hold operation, the switch is closed only for the time necessary to fully charge the holding capacitor.



## HIGH-SPEED SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

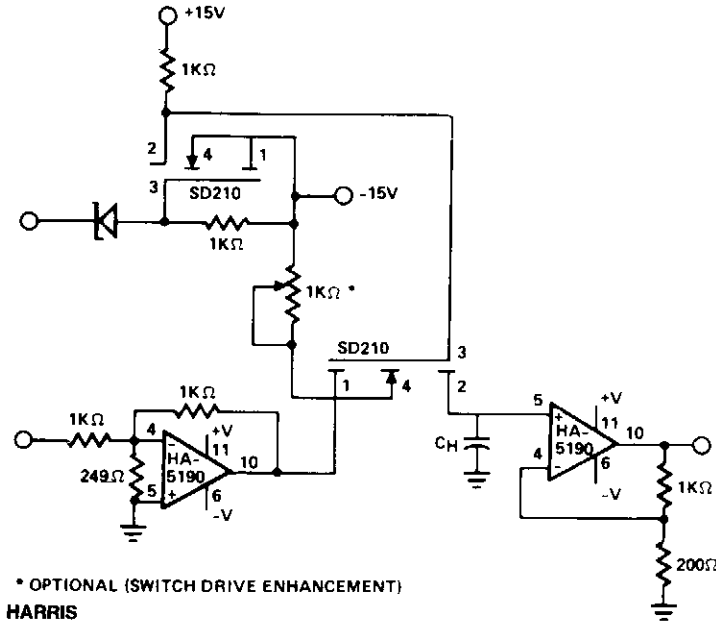
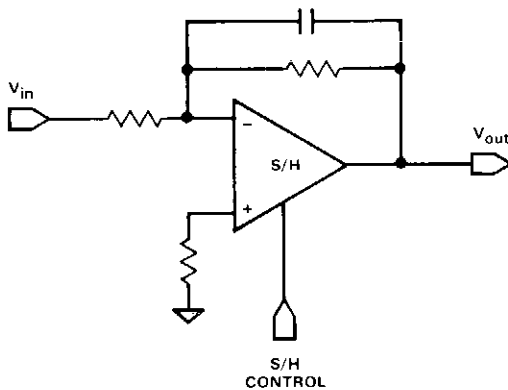


Fig. 87-3

This circuit uses the speed and drive capability of the HA-5190 coupled with two high-speed DMOS FET switches. The input amplifier is allowed to operate at a gain of  $-5$ , although the overall circuit gain is unity. Acquisition times of less than  $100\text{ ns}$  to  $0.1\%$  of a  $1\text{-V}$  input step are possible. Drift current can be appreciably reduced by using FET input buffers on the output stage of the sample-and-hold.

## FILTERED SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

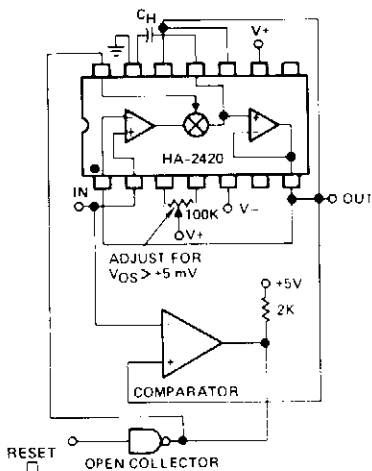


It is often required that a signal be filtered prior to sampling. This can be accomplished with only one device. Use any of the inverting and noninverting filters that can be built with op amps. However, it is necessary that the sampling switch be closed for a sufficient time for the filter to settle when active filter types are connected around the device.

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Fig. 87-4

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

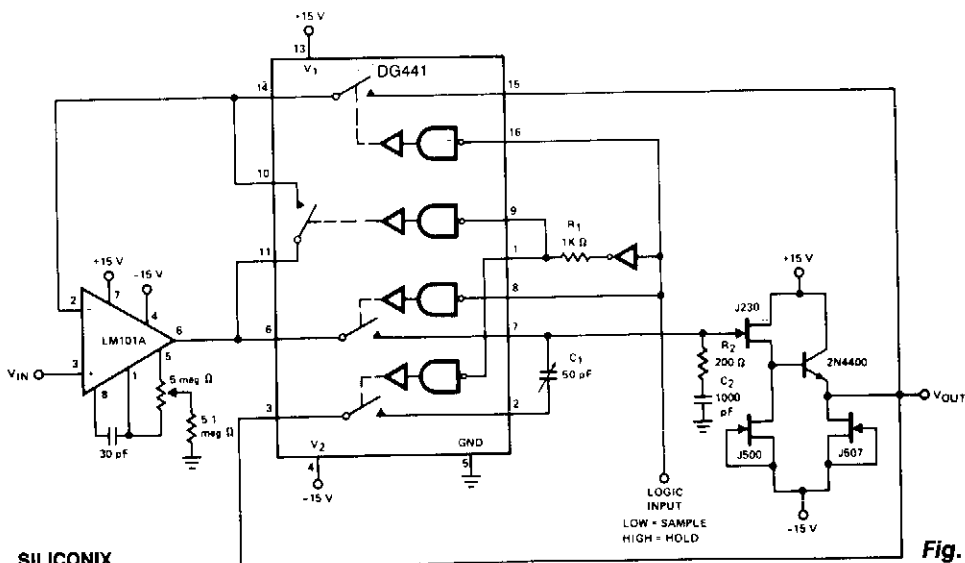


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Fig. 87-5

The sample-and-hold function has often been accomplished with separate analog switches and op amps. These designs always involve performance tradeoffs between acquisition time, charge injection, and droop rate. The HA-242-/2425 monolithic sample-and-hold, has many better tradeoffs, and usually a lower total cost than the other approaches. The switching element is a complementary bipolar circuit with feedback, which allows high charging currents of 30 mA, a low charge injection of 10 pC, and an ultra-low off leakage current of 5 pA; a combination that is not approached in any other electronic switch. These factors make it also superior as an integrator reset switch, or as a precision peak detector.

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD



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Fig. 87-6

The LM101A provides gain and buffers the input from storage capacitor C2. R2 adds a zero in the open loop response to compensate for the pole caused by the switch resistance and C2, improving the closed-loop stability. R1 provides a slight delay in the digital drive to pins 1 and 9. C1 provides cancellation of coupled charge, keeping the sample-and-hold offset below 5 mV over the analog signal range of -10 through +10 V. Aperture time is typically 1  $\mu$ s, the switching time of the DG441. Acquisition time is 25  $\mu$ s, but this can be improved by using a faster slewing op amp. Droop rate is typically less than 5 mV/s at 25°C.

## TRACK-AND-HOLD/SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

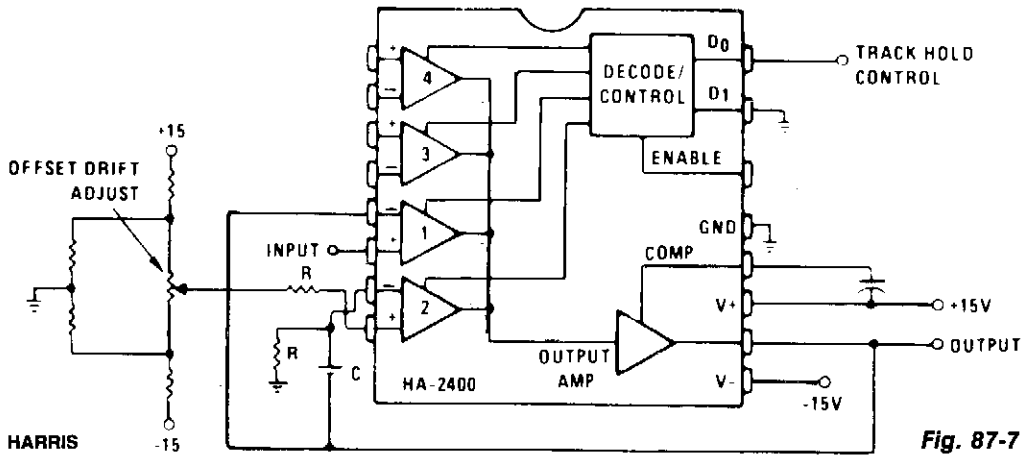


Fig. 87-7

Channel 1 is wired as a voltage follower and is turned on during the track/sample time. If the product of  $R \times C$  is sufficiently short compared to the period of maximum output frequency, or sample time;  $C$  will charge to the output level. Channel 2 is an integrator with zero input signal. When channel 2 is then turned on, the output will remain at the voltage across  $C$ .

## INVERTING SAMPLE-AND-HOLD

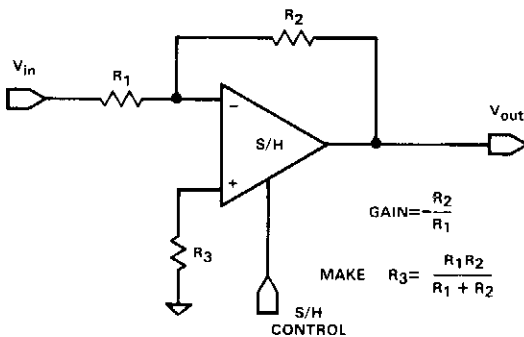


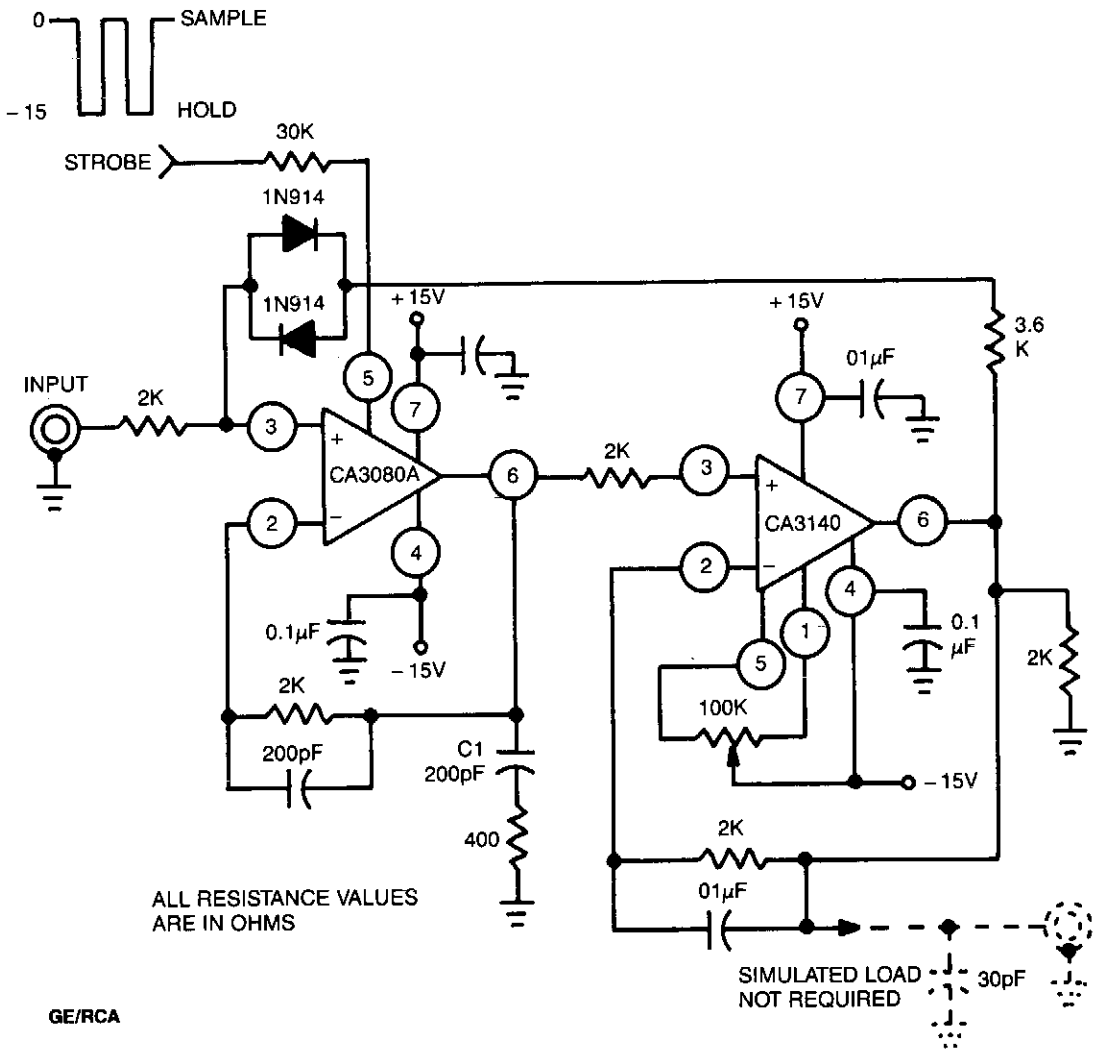
Fig. 87-8

This illustrates another application in which the hookup versatility of a sample-and-hold often eliminates the need for a separate op amp and a sample-and-hold module. This hookup will have a somewhat higher input-to-output feedthrough during hold than the noninverting connection, since the output impedance is an open-loop value during hold. The feedthrough will

$$\frac{V_{IN} R_0}{R_1 + R_2 + R_0}$$

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## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD



**Fig. 87-9**

This circuit uses a CA3140 BiMOS op amp as the readout amplifier for the storage capacitor C1, and a CA3080A variable op amp as input buffer amplifier and low feedthrough transmission switch. Offset nulling is accomplished with the CA3140.

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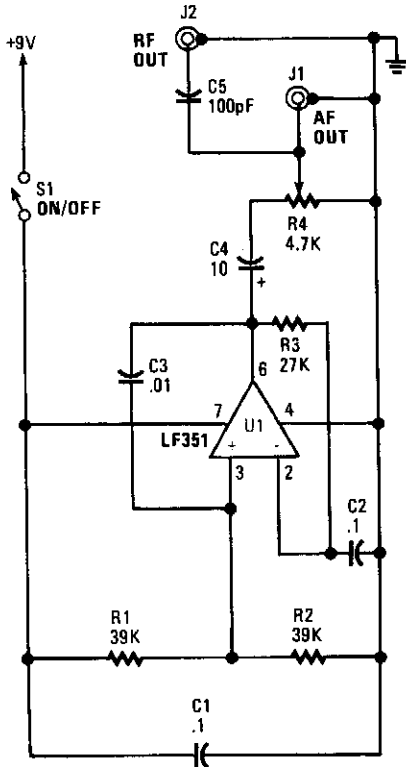
## **Signal Injectors**

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Signal Injector  
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## SIGNAL INJECTOR

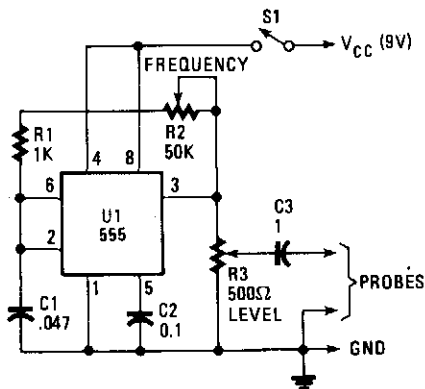


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Fig. 88-1

This unit is a single oscillator built around an LF351 JFET-input op amp. Resistors R1 and R2 bias the noninverting input while R3 biases the inverting input from the output. This layout provides 100% negative feedback, but the decoupling caused by C2 gives reduced feedback and high-voltage gain when dealing with audio frequencies. The fundamental operating frequency is about 800 Hz. Potentiometer R4 is the output-level control. To use it start at the speaker. If no tone is heard, move back to the amplifier input, and listen for the tone. Still if no tone is heard, continue backtracking from the output to the input, covering all stages in between. The stage where the signal is lost is the one that is not operating.

## SIGNAL INJECTOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 88-2

The unit provides a square-wave output that is rich in harmonic content. The circuit's output frequency can be varied from 50 Hz to 15 kHz. The heart of the circuit is a 555 astable connected in its equal mark/space mode. The frequency is controlled by potentiometer R2 and capacitor C1. Resistor R3 controls the output level with the output ac-coupled through C3.

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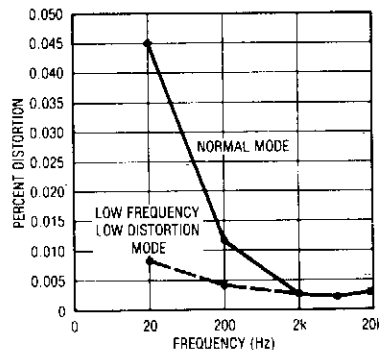
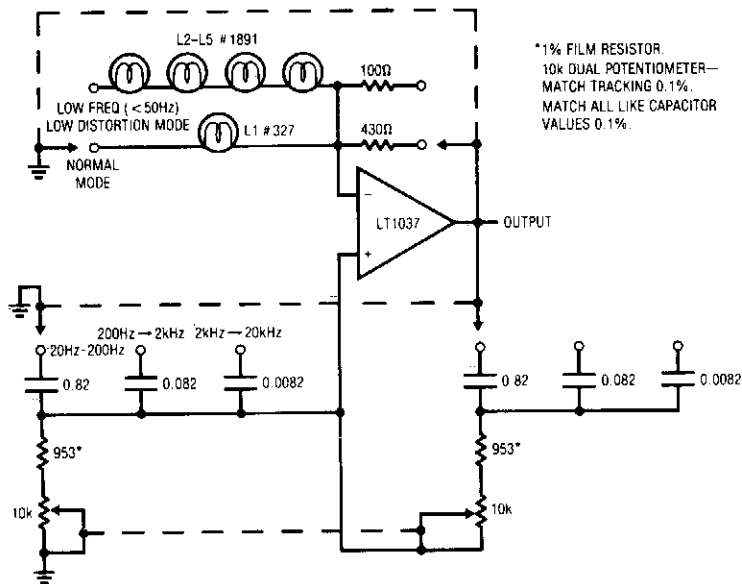
## Sine-Wave Oscillators

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Low-Distortion Thermally Stabilized  
Wien-Bridge Oscillator  
Single-Supply Wien-Bridge Oscillator  
Super-Low-Distortion Variable Sine-Wave Oscillator  
Audio Generator

## LOW-DISTORTION THERMALLY STABILIZED WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR



**Oscillator Distortion vs Frequency**

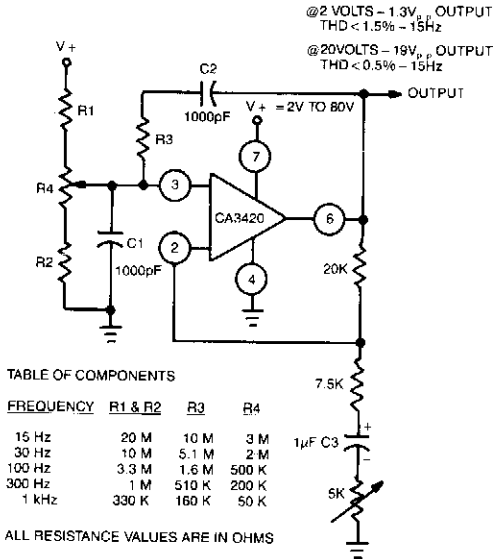
LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

**Fig. 89-1**

A variable Wien bridge provides frequency tuning from 20 Hz to 20 kHz. Gain control comes from the positive temperature coefficient of the lamp. When power is applied, the lamp is at a low resistance value, the gain is high, and oscillation amplitude builds. The lamp's gain-regulating behavior is flat within 0.25 dB over the 20 Hz – 20 kHz range of the circuit. Distortion is below 0.003%. At low frequencies, the thermal time constant of the small normal-mode lamp begins to introduce distortion levels about 0.01%. This is because of *hunting* when the oscillator's frequency approaches the lamp's thermal time constant. This effect can be eliminated, at the expense of reduced output amplitude and longer amplitude settling time, by switching to the low-frequency, low-distortion mode. The four large lamps give a longer thermal time constant, and distortion is reduced.



## SINGLE-SUPPLY WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

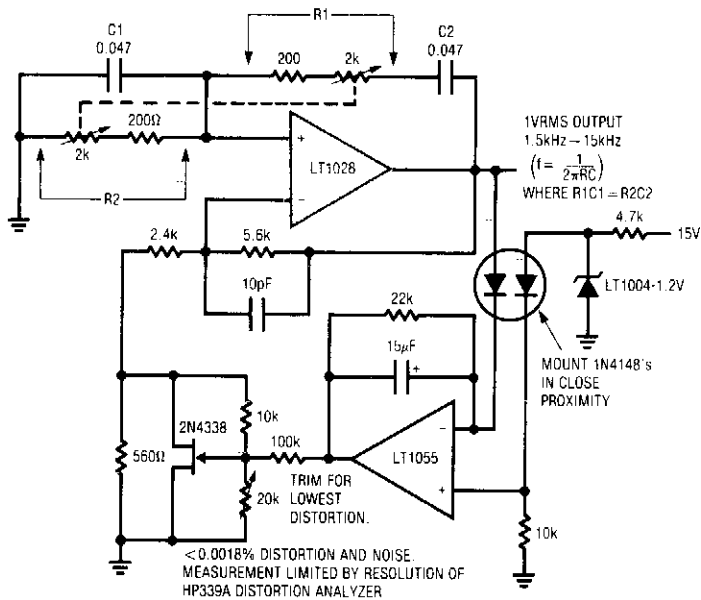


The adjustment of R4 contributes to the comparatively symmetrical output transfer characteristic of the CA3420 BiMOS op amp. To extend the lower operating frequency, remove C3 and use a dual supply.

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Fig. 89-2

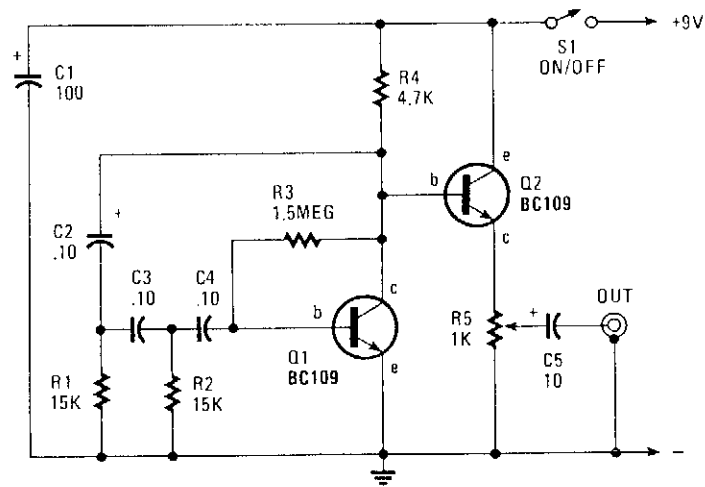
## SUPER-LOW-DISTORTION VARIABLE SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 89-3

## AUDIO GENERATOR



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 89-4

This circuit produces a sinusoidal output of about 8 V pk-pk, which can be varied down to zero, at about 500 Hz. The signal is generated by a phase-shift oscillator.

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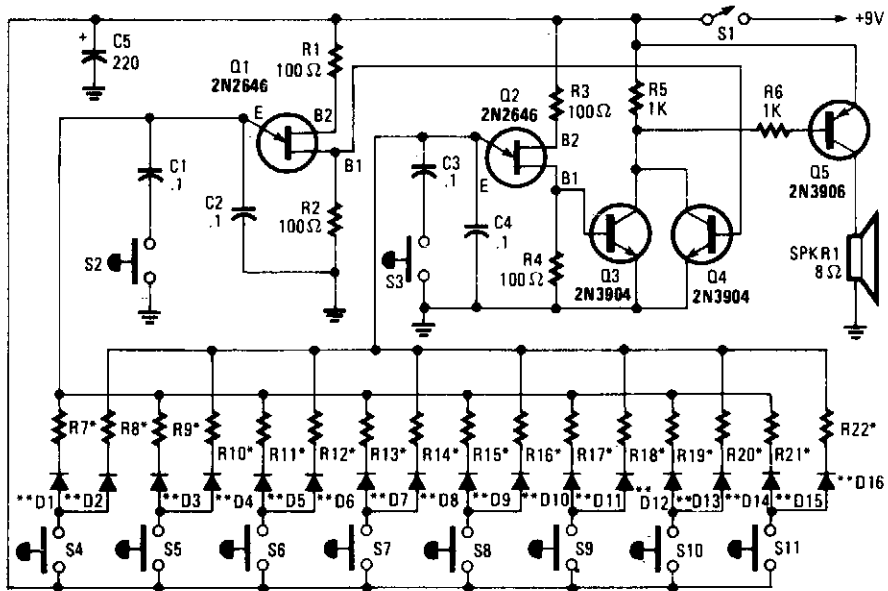
## Sirens, Warblers, and Wailers

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|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Electronic Bagpipe     | Super Sound Generator    |
| Two-Tone Siren         | Hee-Haw Siren            |
| Yelping Siren          | Electronic Siren         |
| Programmable-Frequency | 555 Beep Transformer     |
| Adjustable-Rate Siren  | Siren                    |
| The Wailing Siren      | Two-State Siren          |
| Linear IC Siren        | Steam Train with Whistle |

## ELECTRONIC BAGPIPE



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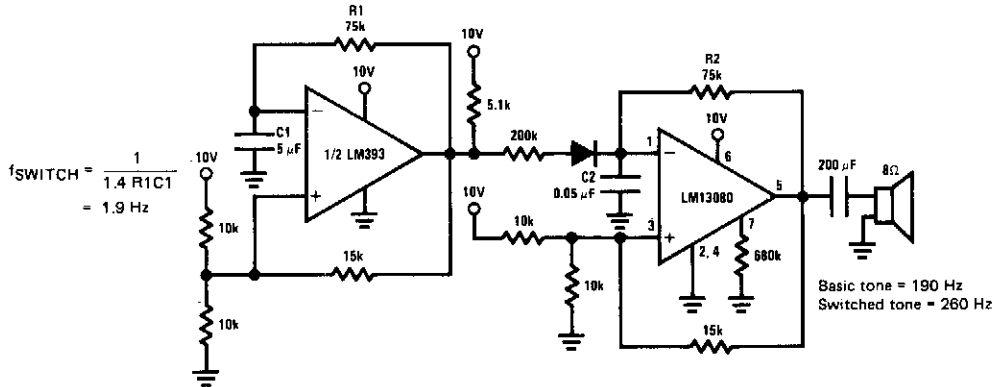
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 90-1

This circuit mimics the dual-tone drone sound that's produced by the unusual wind instrument. Uni-junction transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected in similar audio-oscillator circuits. Each of the oscillator frequencies is determined by one of the two resistors selected by one of the pushbutton switches, S4 through S11. The odd-numbered resistors in R7 to R21, determine the frequency for the Q1 oscillator circuit and the even-numbered resistors in R8 through R22, determine the frequency for Q2's circuit.

When S4 is pressed, the positive supply is connected to both R7 and R8 through isolation diodes D1 and D2, causing both oscillators to operate. A narrow, fast-rising positive pulse is developed at B1 of both Q1 and Q2 for each cycle of operation. Transistors Q3 and Q4 serve as a simple audio mixer, which is used to combine the pulses from each oscillator. The mixed signal at the collectors of Q3 and Q4 is coupled through R6 to the base of Q5, which amplifies and drives an 8-Ω speaker, SPKR1. Switches, S2 and S3 are used to reduce the oscillator's frequency by about 50% when closed, to produce a new group of tones.

## TWO-TONE SIREN

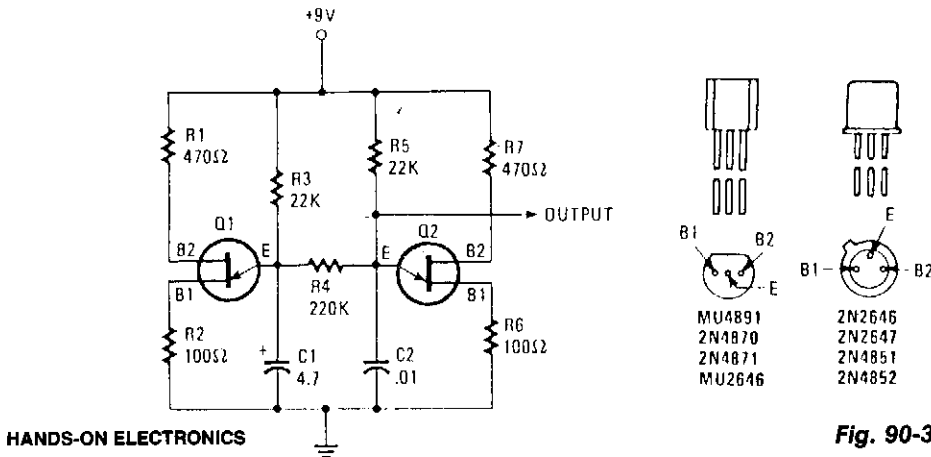


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Fig. 90-2

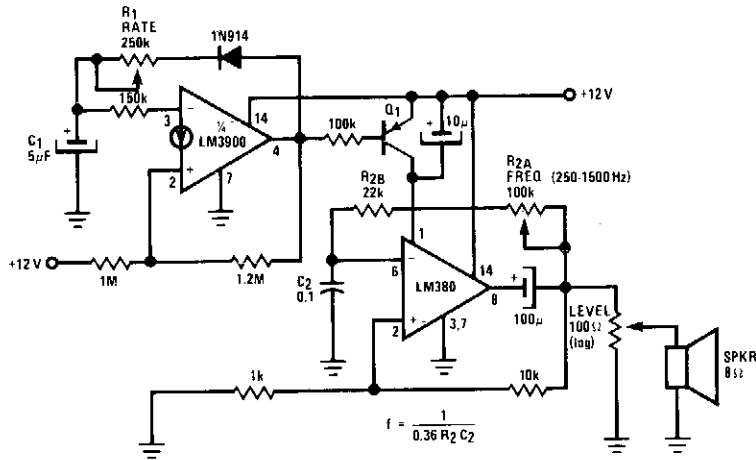
This siren provides a constant audio output, but alternates between two separate tones. The LM13080 is set to oscillate at one basic frequency; this frequency is changed by adding a 200-K $\Omega$  charging resistor in parallel with the feedback resistor, R2.

## YELPING SIREN



Unijunction transistors Q1 and Q2 are both connected as relaxation-type, sawtooth oscillators. Transistor Q1 is the low-frequency control oscillator and Q2 is the tone generator. Sawtooth waveforms are produced at the emitter terminals. Without R4 connecting the two emitters, each oscillator operates independently, with its frequency determined mainly by the rc time constant. With the values shown, Q1 operates from 1. to 1.5 Hz and Q2 operates from 400 to 500 Hz. When R4 is connected between the two emitters, it couples the low-frequency sawtooth from Q1 directly across capacitor C2. That coupling causes the frequency of the tone generator to increase, along with the rise in sawtooth voltage from Q1. The tone generator's frequency drops to its lower design value when C1 discharges and produces the falling edge of the sawtooth.

## PROGRAMMABLE-FREQUENCY ADJUSTABLE-RATE SIREN

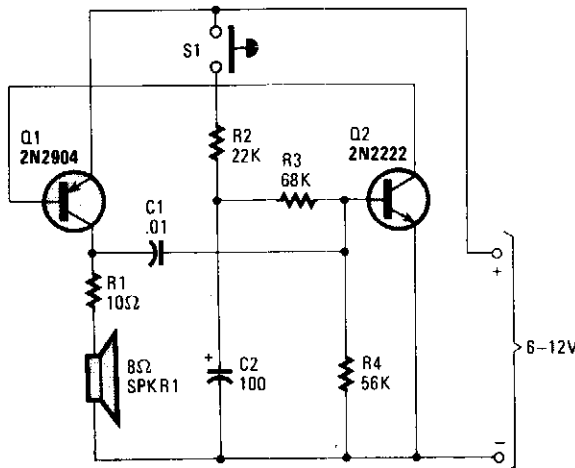


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Fig. 90-4

The LM380 operates as an astable oscillator with the frequency determined by  $R2/C2$ . Adding Q1 and driving its base, with the output of an LM3900 wired as a second astable oscillator, acts to gate the output of the LM380 on and off, at a rate fixed by  $R1/C1$ .

## THE WAILING SIREN



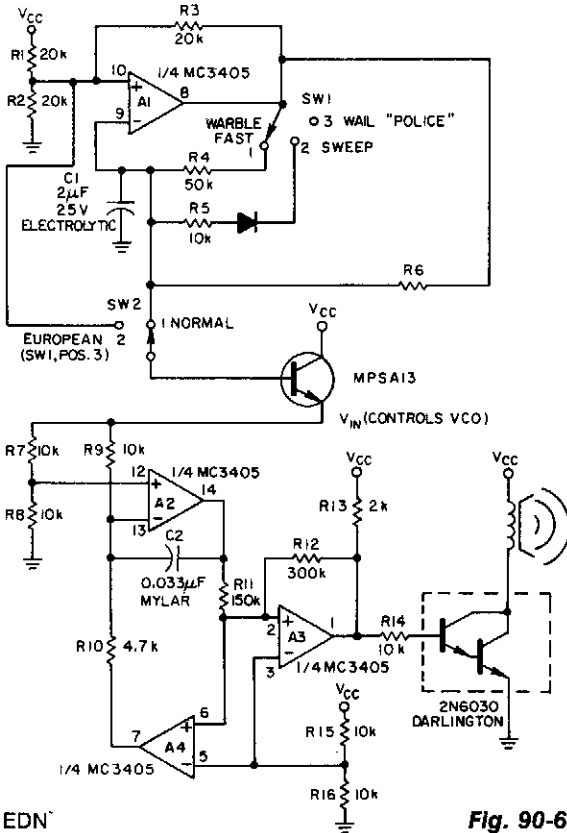
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Fig. 90-5

Transistors Q1 and Q2, with feedback provided via C1 from the collector of Q1 to the base of Q2, forms a voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO). De-

pending on the voltage applied to Q2's base, the VCO frequency ranges from around 60 Hz to 7.5 kHz. The instantaneous voltage applied to the base of Q2 is determined by the values of C2, R2, R3, and R4. When pushbutton switch S1 is closed, C2 charges fairly rapidly to the maximum supply voltage through R2, a 22-KΩ fixed resistor. That causes the siren sound to rise rapidly to its highest frequency. When the button is released, the capacitor discharges through R3 and R4 with a combined resistance of 124 KΩ, causing the siren sound to decay from a high-pitched wail to a low growl. If you want to experiment with the pitch of the sound at its highest frequency, try different values for C1. Increase its value for lower notes, and decrease it for higher ones. Different values for R2 will change the attack time. A 100-KΩ resistor provides equal attack and decay times. The way you handle the pushbutton varies the effect.

## LINEAR IC SIREN



A low-frequency, op-amp oscillator and a VCO, both configured from a single MC3405 dual op amp and dual comparator, are the major components in a siren circuit that can be made to produce various warbles and wails, or serve as an audio sweep generator. The only other active components needed are an MPS A13 small-signal transistor and a 2N6030 power Darlington transistor.

Fig. 90-6

## SUPER SOUND GENERATOR

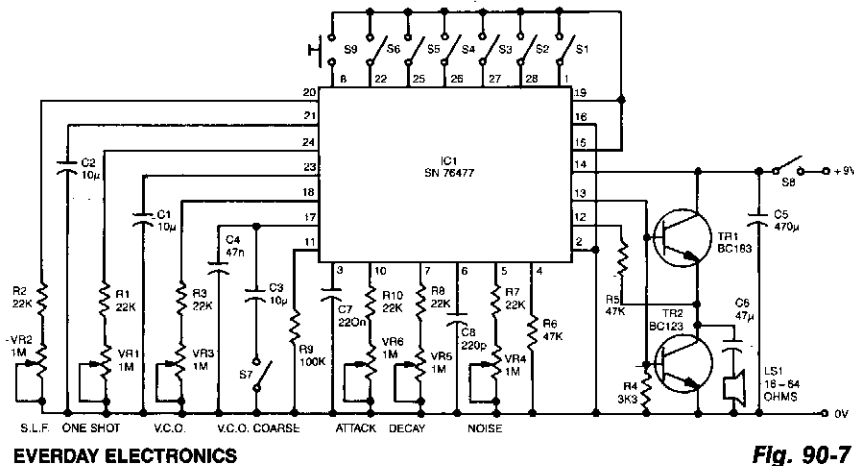


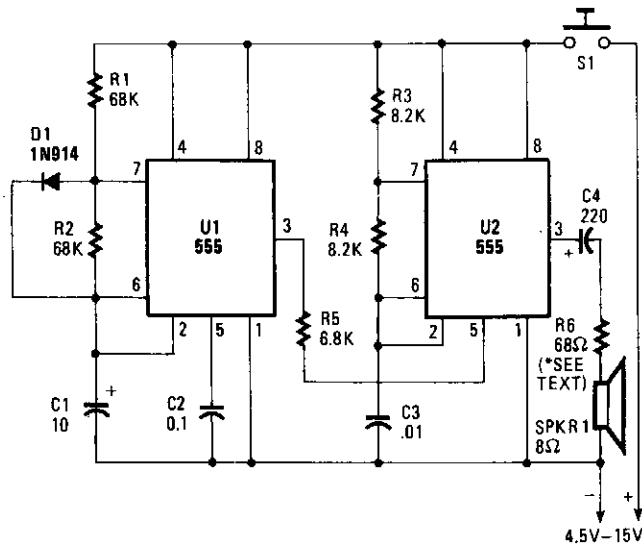
Fig. 90-7

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## SUPER SOUND GENERATOR (Cont.)

Six preset controls and seven selector switches enable a vast range of different sounds to be produced and altered at will. Such sounds as steam trains chuffing, helicopters flying, bird chirping, and machine guns firing are possible, as well as the usual police sirens, phaser guns, and bomb explosions. The circuit incorporates an amplifier giving 150-mW output into a small loudspeaker. Alternatively, a separate amplifier system can be used for disco effects, car alarms, etc. Continuous or one-shot sounds are possible. For one-shot sounds, a push-button switch is provided, which can also be used to turn continuous sounds on and off. A single IC, SN76477, provides all of the sound generation circuits.

### HEE-HAW SIREN



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Fig. 90-8

A pair of timer IC's are the heart of a circuit that simulates the warbling hee-haw of a British police siren. One of the 555 timers, U2, is wired as an astable multivibrator operating at about 900 Hz. The other, U1, operates at approximately 1 Hz. Its output at pin 3 is a square wave with a 50% duty cycle—on and off cycles of about 0.5 second each. The output of U1 is applied to pin 5, the control-voltage terminal of U2. The frequency of the 555 timer IC is relatively independent of supply voltage, but can be varied over a fairly wide range by applying a variable voltage between pin 5 and ground. When U1's output becomes high, U2 operates at about 800 kHz. That switching between two frequencies produces the warbling hee-haw signal.



## ELECTRONIC SIREN

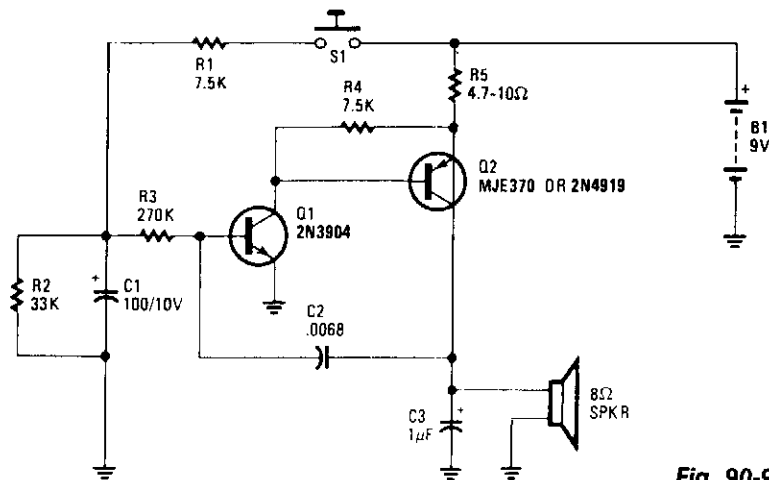


Fig. 90-9

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The wailing sound of a siren is generated by a VFO consisting of Q1 and Q2. Capacitor C2 provides the feedback for the oscillator. The frequency of the oscillator is varied by the voltage applied to the base of Q1 through R3. When switch S1 is closed, capacitor C1 charges, thus increasing the oscillator frequency. When S1 is released, capacitor C1 discharges, and the oscillator frequency decreases. Capacitor C3 limits the maximum oscillator frequency. The average battery current drain is about 15 mA.

## 555 BEEP TRANSFORMER

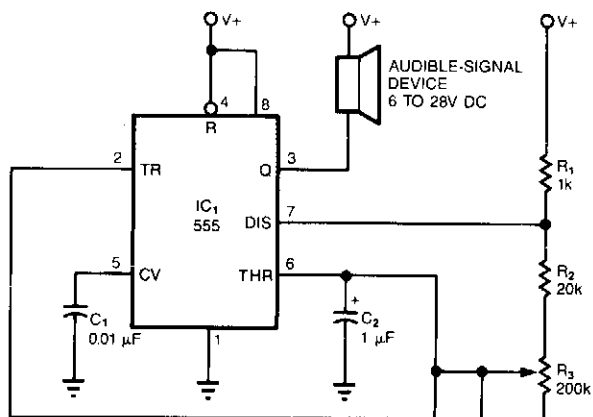
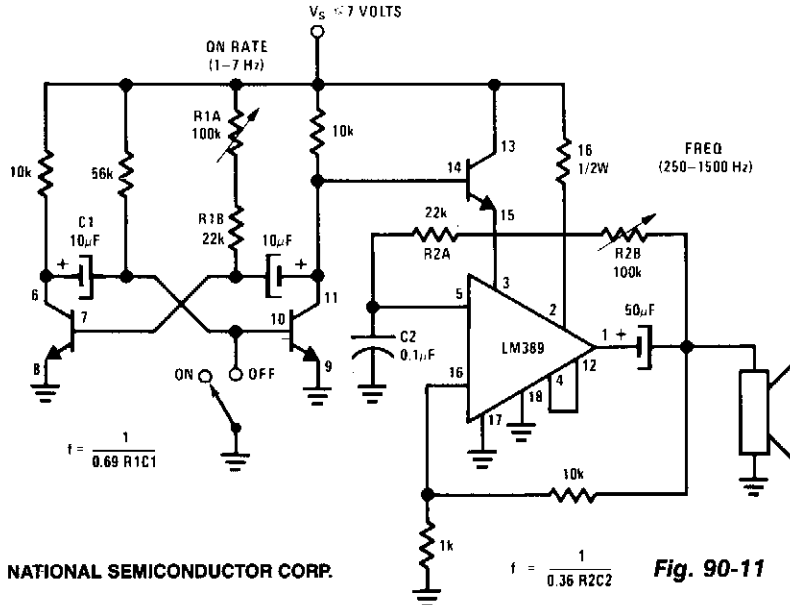


Fig. 90-10

The simple circuit transforms the steady beep of an audible-signal device, such as a Mallory son-alert, into a distinctive warble or chirp. The value of C2 determines just what tone color you'll get. With the 1-μF value shown, the circuit produces a warble similar to the ring tone of an inexpensive phone. A 10-μF value produces a chirp similar to a truck's back-up alarm. One elaboration of this circuit would be to use the second section of a 555 timer to drive a piezoelectric transducer instead of a son-alert; that modification would vary the tone's pitch, as well as the chirp rate.

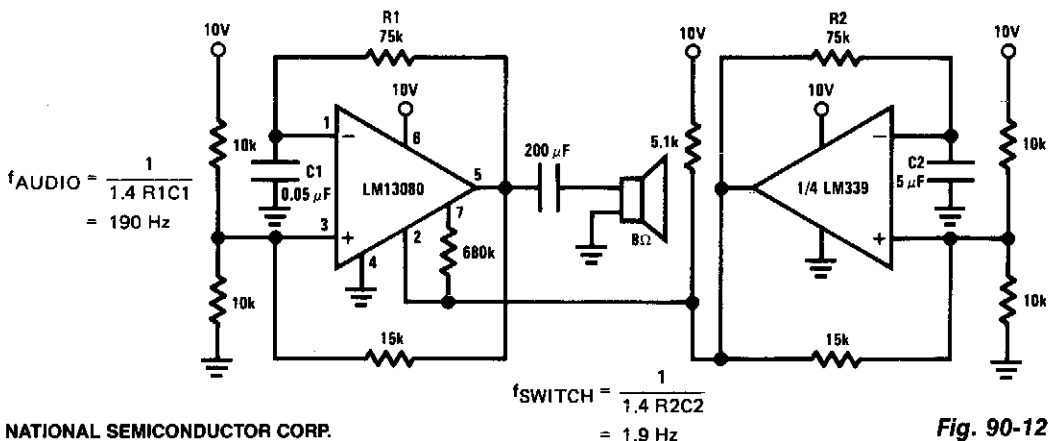
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## SIREN



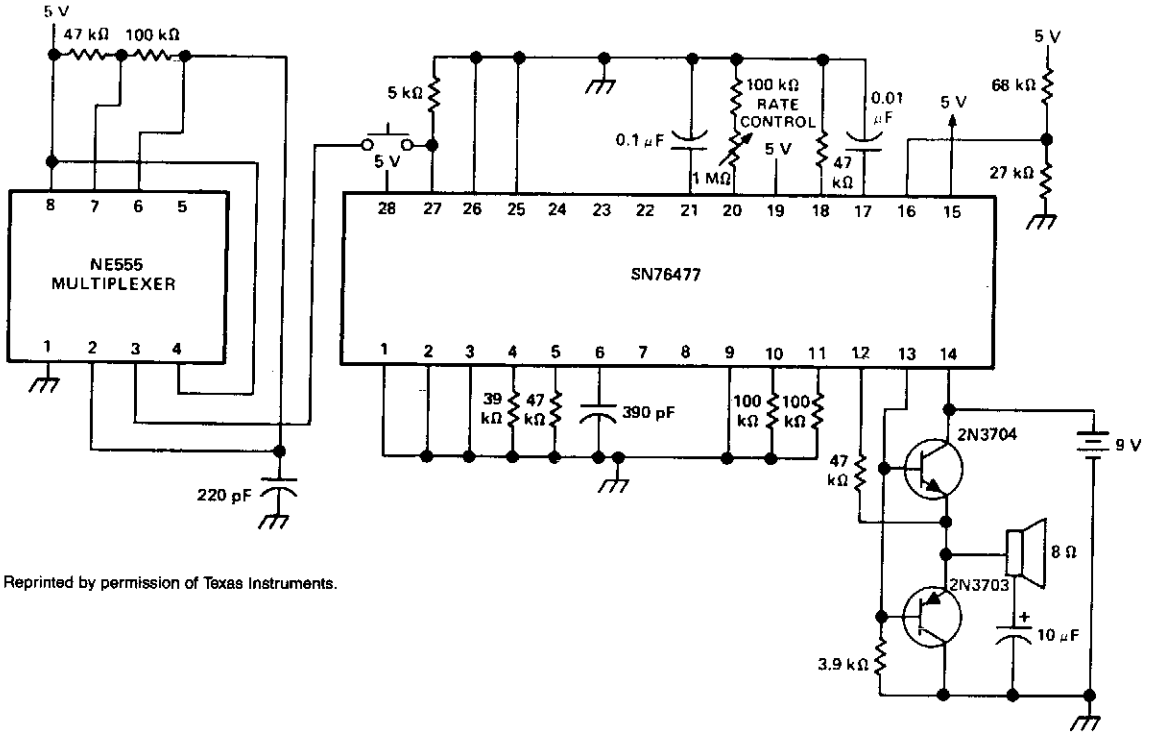
This circuit uses one of the LM389 transistors to gate the power amplifier on and off by applying the muting technique. The other transistors form a cross-coupled multivibrator circuit that controls the rate of the square-wave oscillator. The power amplifier is used as the square-wave oscillator with individual frequency adjust provided by potentiometer R2B.

## TWO-STATE SIREN



This is a two-state or on/off-type siren where the LM13080 oscillates at an audio frequency and drives an 8-Ω speaker. The LM339 acts as a switch which controls the audio burst rate.

## STEAM TRAIN WITH WHISTLE



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Fig. 90-13

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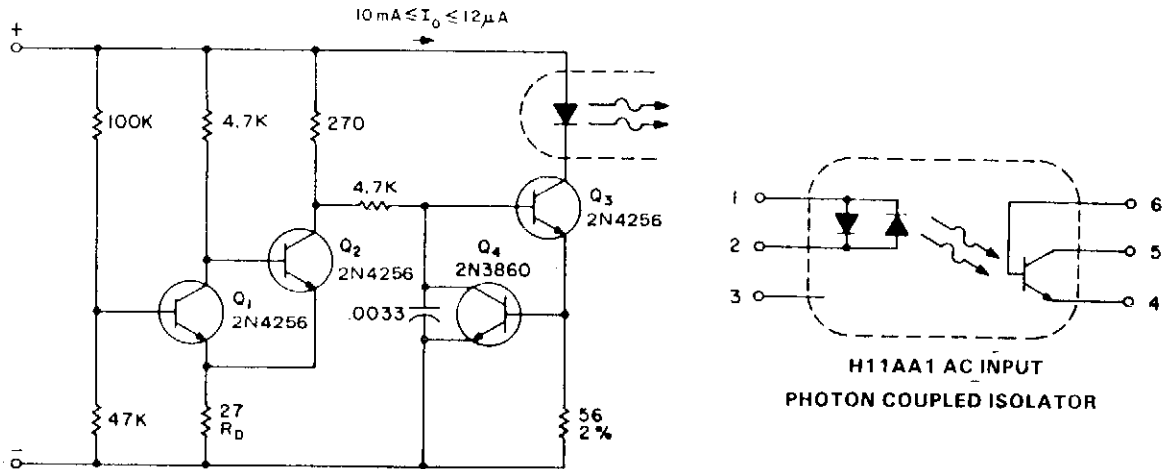
## Solid-State Relay Circuits

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Ac Solid-State Relays

## AC SOLID-STATE RELAYS



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**Fig. 91-1**

In the case where analog signals are being used as the logic control, hysteresis from a Schmitt-trigger input can be used to prevent half-wave power output. The circuit operation is as follows: at low input voltages,  $Q_1$  is biased in the off state.  $Q_2$  conducts and biases  $Q_3$ , and the IRED turns off. When the base of  $Q_1$  reaches the biasing voltage of 0.6 V, plus the drop across  $R_D$ ,  $Q_1$  turns on.  $Q_3$  is then supplied base drive, and the solid-state relay input will be activated. The combination of  $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$  acts as a constant-current source to the IRED. In order to turn-off  $Q_3$ , the base drive must be reduced to pull it out of saturation. Because  $Q_2$  is in the off-state as the signal is reduced,  $Q_1$  will now stay on to a base bias-voltage lowered by the change in the drop across  $R_D$ . With these values, the highest turn-off voltage is 1.0 V, while turn-on will be at less than the 4.1 V supplied to the circuit.

For ac or bipolar input signals, there are several possible connections. If only positive signals are set to activate the relay, a diode, such as the A14, can be connected in parallel to protect the IRED from reverse voltage damage, since its specified peak reverse voltage capability is approximately 3 V. If ac signals are being used, or if activation is to be polarity insensitive, a H11AA coupler, which contains two LEDs in antiparallel connection, can be used. For high-input voltage designs, or for any easy means of converting a dc input relay to ac, a full-wave diode bridge can be used to bias the IRED.

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## **Solenoid Drivers**

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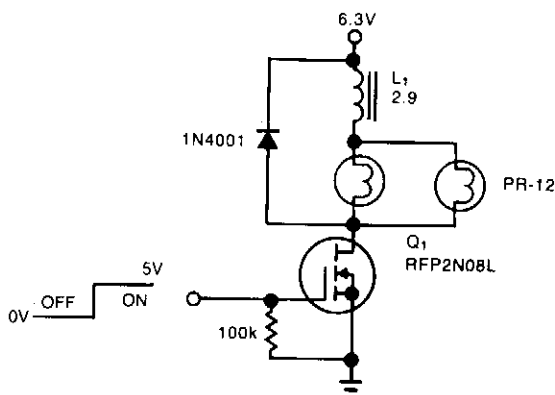
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Power-Consumption Limiter  
12-V Latch  
Hold-Current Limiter

## POWER-CONSUMPTION LIMITER

since surge to on-current ratio is typically 5:1. The cold filament allows a surge of coil-activation current to pass through; as the filament heats up, it throttles the current to a more reasonable hold value. The solenoid driver circuit offers these features:

- 5-V logic swings turn the power-MOSFET switch, Q1, fully on and off.
- Two low-cost flashlight lamps, in parallel, handle the peak current. Because their dc current is only 50% of peak and because they operate at 60% of their rated voltage, the lamps have an operating life of 12,000 hours. Further, the lamp filaments' positive temperature coefficients raise each filament's resistance. This rise in resistance eliminates current-hogging problems and provides short-circuit protection.
- The steady-state on-current is 700 mA, vs. 1700 mA without the lamps.
- A 4.6-V min supply rating allows battery operation.

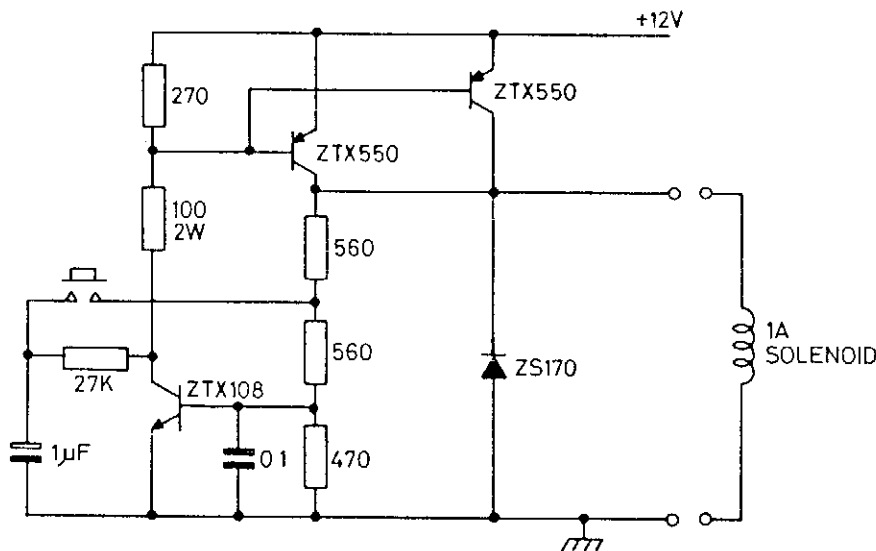


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Fig. 92-1

A simple solenoid driver uses incandescent lamp filaments as on-indicators to limit power consumption. High magnetic reluctance (opposition to flux) in the coil of an armature-driven device, such as a solenoid or relay, calls for a surge of activation current, followed by a lower dc level to remain on,

## 12-V LATCH



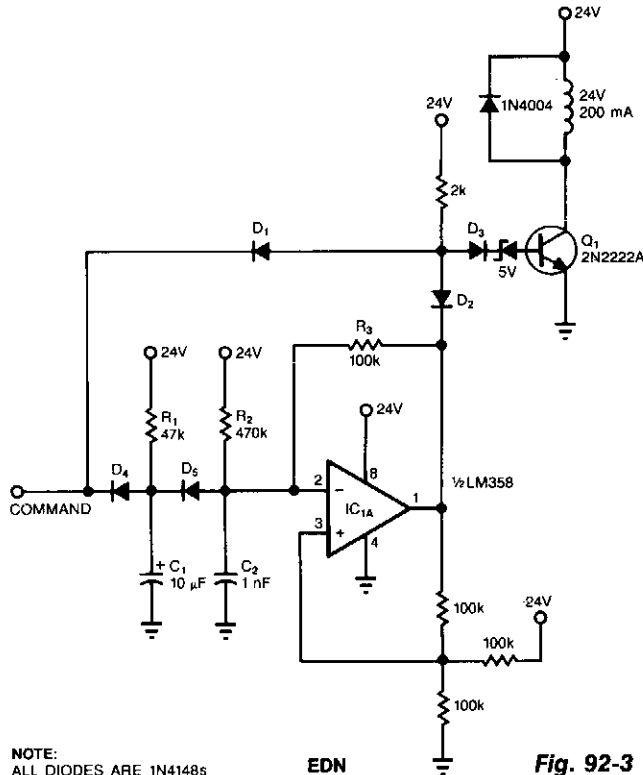
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Fig. 92-2

## 12-V LATCH (Cont.)

This circuit controls a solenoid by the operation of a single push-button switch. The circuit will supply loads of over 1 A and can be operated up to a maximum speed of once every 0.6 second. When power is first applied to the circuit, the solenoid will always start in its off position. Other features of the circuit are its automatic turn-off, if the load is shorted, and its virtually zero-power consumption when off.

### HOLD-CURRENT LIMITER



In many applications, a solenoid driver must first briefly supply a large amount of pull-in current, which quickly actuates the solenoid. Thereafter, the driver must supply a much lower holding current to avoid burning the solenoid out. To avoid using the customary, cumbersome, large capacitors or power-wasting resistors, you can use the switch technique.

As long as the input to the circuit is low, diode D1 holds Q1 off; a low input also prevents the op-amp circuit from oscillating. When the input reaches 24 V, Q1 switches on and pulls in the solenoid. Concurrently, D4 is back-biased, and C1 begins charging up. When C1 charges up, the op-amp circuit begins to oscillate, switching Q1 on and off.

The time constant defined by R1 and C1 determines the length of the period during which the solenoid receives full power. R3 and C2 set the oscillator's frequency, and R2 sets the oscillator's duty cycle. The hold current is directly proportional to the duty cycle. For the components shown, the full-power period is 300 ms, the oscillator's frequency is 3 kHz, and its duty cycle is 50%.



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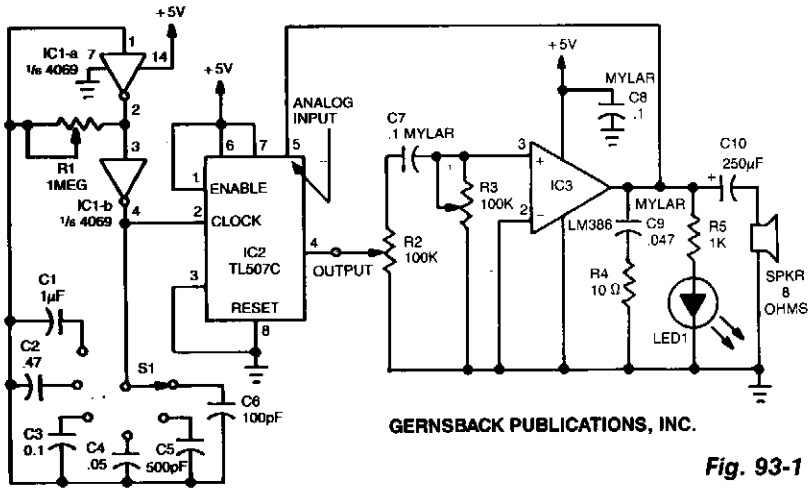
## Sound Effects

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Sound-Effects Generator  
Fuzz Box  
Chug-Chug  
Electronic Bird Chirper  
Race-Car Motor/Crash

## SOUND-EFFECTS GENERATOR

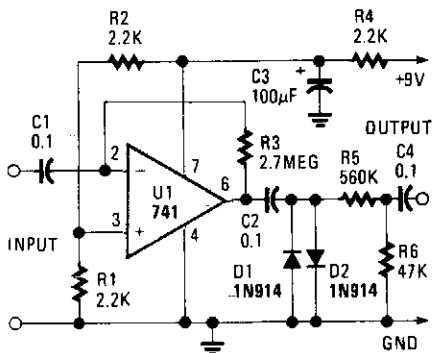


A variable clock-pulse generator is made up of two sections of IC1 (a 4069 CMOS hex inverter), R1, S1, and capacitors C1 through C6. By adjusting R1 and switching one of the capacitors into the circuit, the clock's pulse rate can be varied over a wide range.

The TL507C converts analog signals—in this case the output of IC3, an LM386 audio amplifier—into digital signals. The conversion is accomplished using the single-slope method; it involves comparing an internally generated ramp signal to the analog input signal and a 200-mV reference voltage.

The square-wave output from the a/d converter is fed to IC3 through a network consisting of R2, R3, and C7. Resistor R2 controls the amplitude of the pulses. Resistor R3 and capacitor C7 form a variable tone-control filter and a differentiator circuit that converts a square wave into a spiked waveform. That waveform is amplified by IC3, and the resulting output is fed back into the analog input of IC2, as well as to an 8-Ω speaker. By adjusting R1 and selecting one of the six capacitors with S1—thus varying the clock frequency—and by varying R2 and R3, you can produce many sounds.

## FUZZ BOX

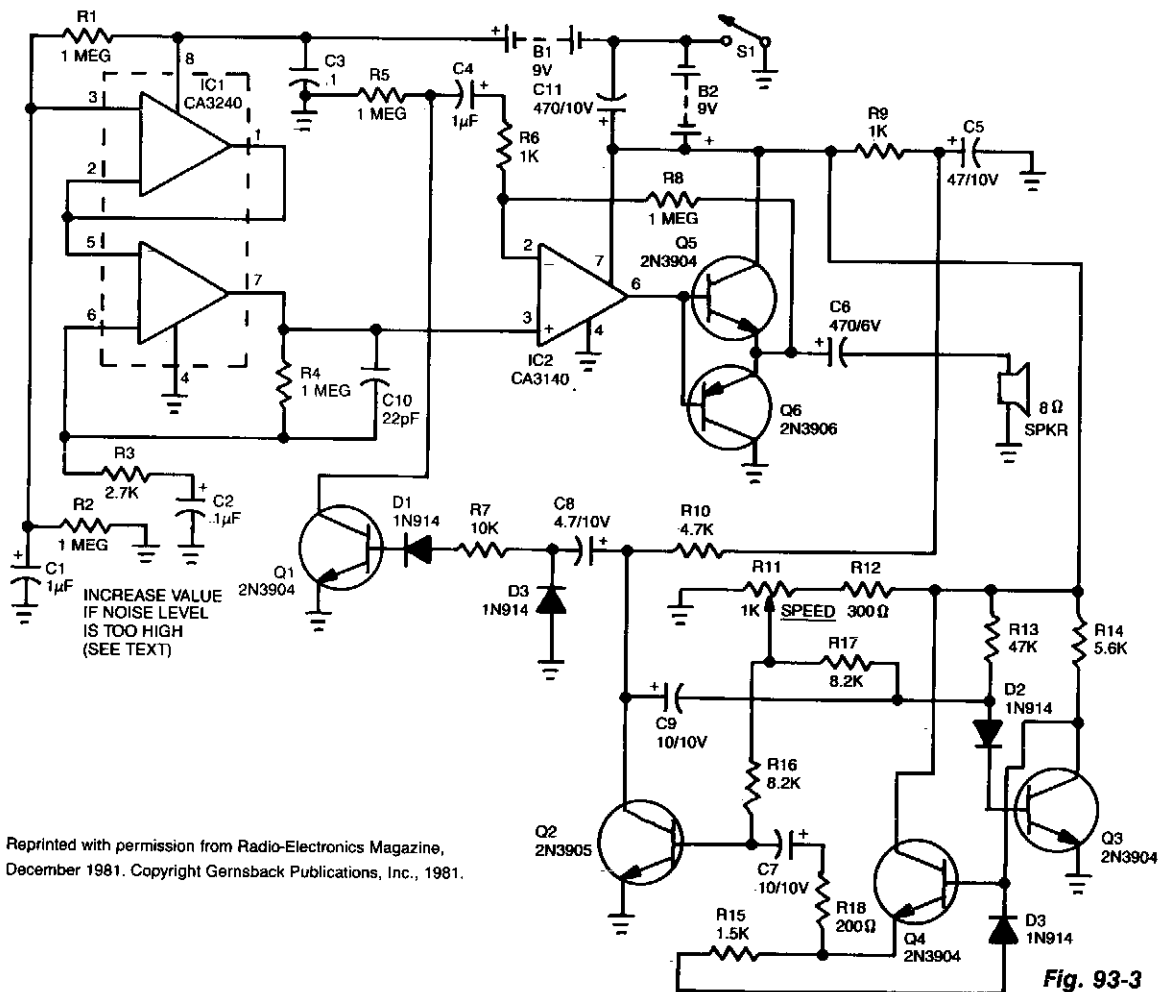


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**Fig. 93-2**

The 741's maximum gain of 20,000 is pushed to nearly 3 million dB, and therefore distorts the output. That distortion provides the fuzz sound. The level is dropped by clipping the two diodes.

## CHUG-CHUG



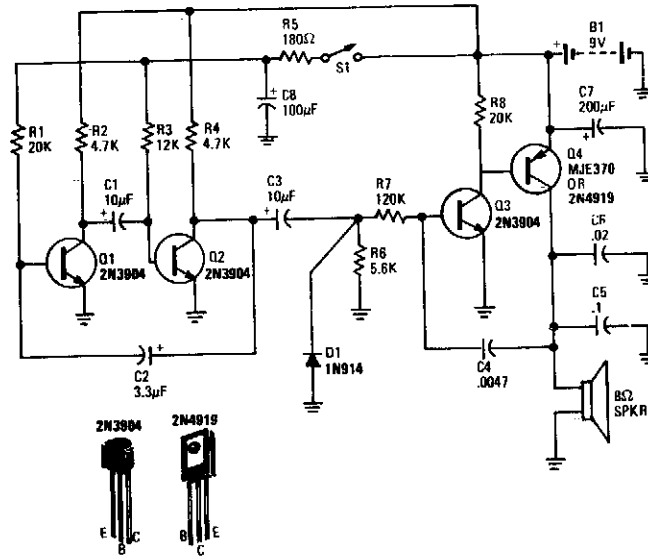
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**Fig. 93-3**

A CA3240 dual MOSFET-input device is used as a white-noise source. Op amp IC2 is used as a driver stage for the push-pull output stage formed by Q5 and Q6. Transistors Q2, Q3, and Q4 form a variable-frequency multivibrator. R11, the speed control, is used to control the multivibrator's frequency. The output is differentiated by C8 and applied to modulator transistor Q1, through D1 and R7. Transistor Q1 modulates the gain of the output amplifier stage by changing the impedance to ground, through R6 and C4. When the multivibrator's frequency is reduced using R11, C8 discharges slowly, creating a sound similar to escaping steam from a stopped locomotive.

To find the proper value for R3, short Q1's collector to ground. Then, increase the value of R3 until the current drain from the power supply is less than 60 mA. Then remove the short from Q1. To see if the device is operating properly, close switch S1 and reduce the resistance of R11. Wait 10 seconds, then rotate R11 slowly. You should hear a sound similar to a steam locomotive picking up speed.

## ELECTRONIC BIRD CHIRPER

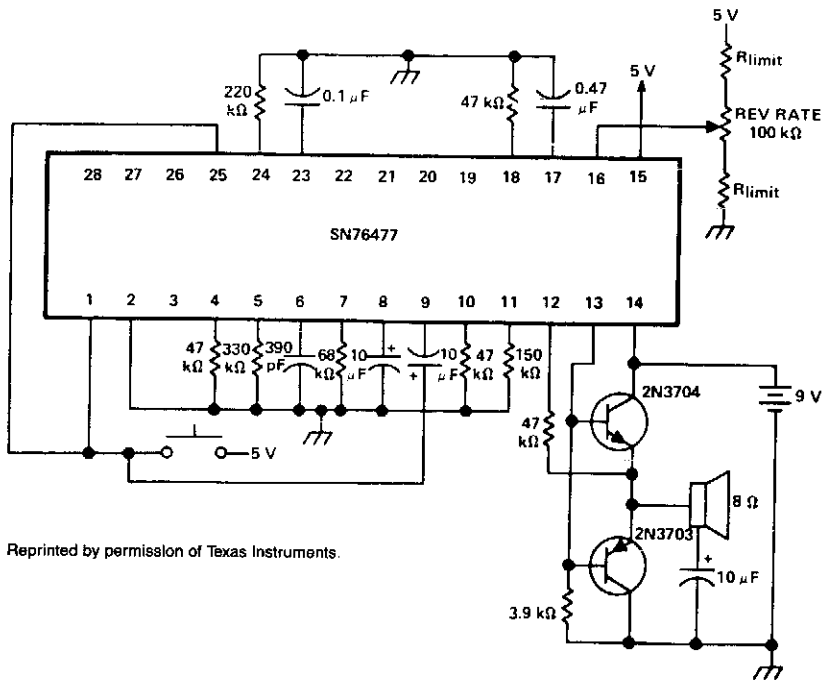


**Fig. 93-4**

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Transistors Q1 and Q2 form the two halves of a free-running multivibrator whose frequency is determined by the voltage across C8. That capacitor is charged and discharged by closing and opening switch S1. Transistors Q3 and Q4 make up a VFO. The output of the free-running multivibrator frequency modulates the Q3/Q4 oscillator, causing the chirping bird sound. The number of chirps per second is determined by the frequency of the Q1/Q2 multivibrator, which also varies. The pitch of the chirps is determined by C5 and C6.

## RACE-CAR MOTOR/CRASH



**Fig. 93-5**

For two simultaneous race-car sounds, the mixer can be multiplexed between the SLF and VCO functions.

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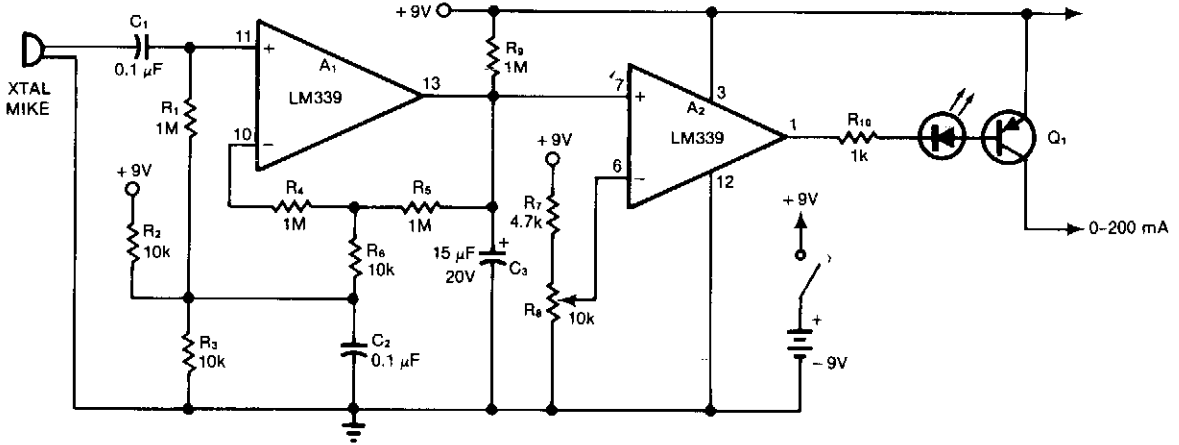
## Sound-Operated Circuits

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Sound-Activated Switch  
Voice-Operated Switch

### SOUND-ACTIVATED SWITCH

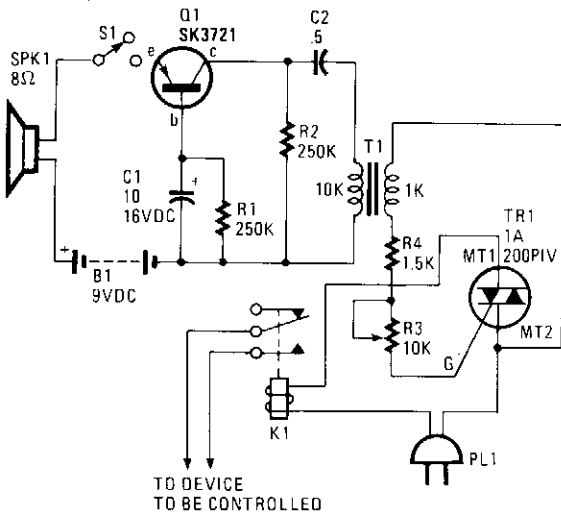


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Fig. 94-1

A1 and A2 are two sections of a quad comparator. The first, A1, functions as an amplifier and detector. Resistors R5 and R6 set the gain at 100; the output of A1 is an open collector to negative-peak-rectify the output with a decay time constant determined by R9 and C3. This dc output is then compared with the reference level selected by R8. A2 triggers switch Q1, and an LED inserted in the base drive of Q1 gives visual indication of switch closure. The standby battery drain is 2 mA. Use potentiometer R8 to select the desired sensitivity.

### VOICE-OPERATED SWITCH



The sound picked up by SPKR1, which acts as a microphone, is fed to transistor amplifier Q1. The output of Q1 is applied across coupling transformer T1 and is used to drive the gate circuit of Triac TR1. TR1 is used to lend a latching effect to the action of the relay.

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Fig. 94-2

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## Splitters

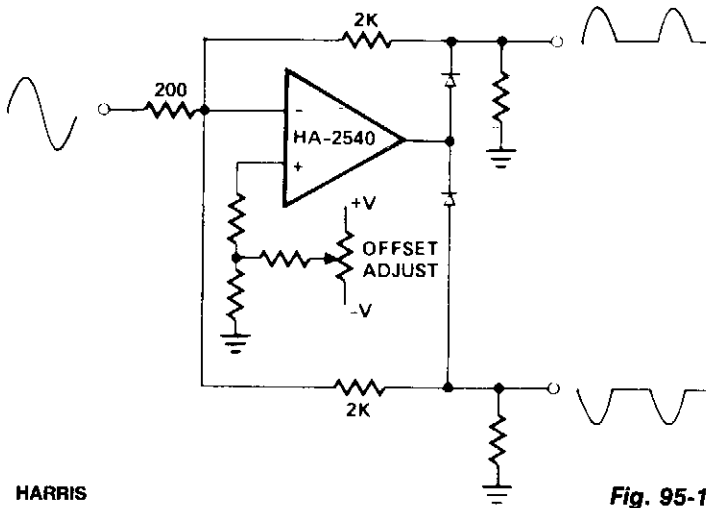
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Wideband Signal Splitter  
Precision Phase Splitter



## WIDEBAND SIGNAL SPLITTER

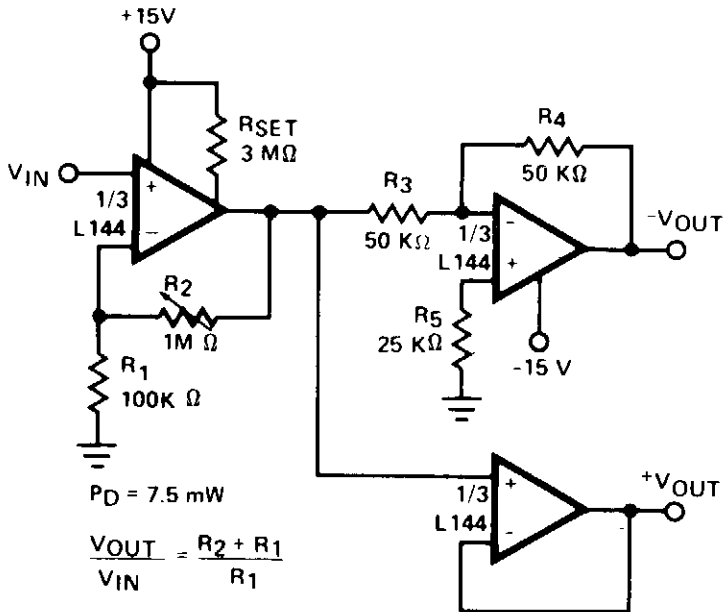


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Fig. 95-1

With one HA-2539 or HA-2540 and two low-capacitance switching diodes, signals exceeding 10 MHz can be separated. This circuit is most useful for full-wave rectification, AM detection, or sync generation.

## PRECISION PHASE SPLITTER



$P_D = 7.5 \text{ mW}$

$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = \frac{R_2 + R_1}{R_1}$$

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Fig. 95-2

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## Square-Wave Generators

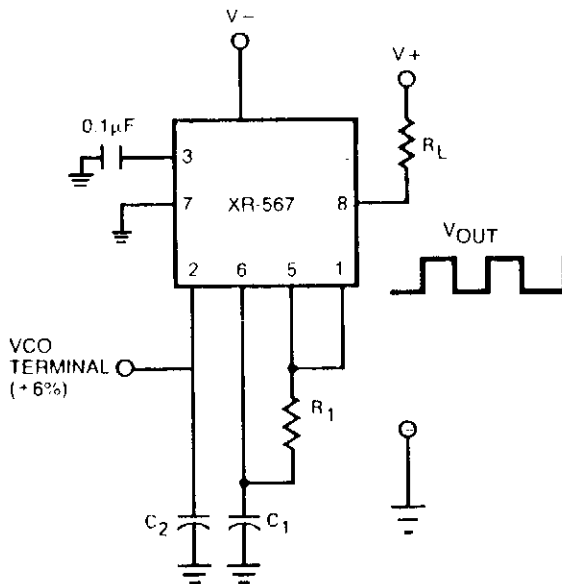
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Square-Wave Pulse Extractor  
Nearly 50% Duty-Cycle Multivibrator  
High-Current Oscillator  
Quadrature-Output Oscillator



## HIGH-CURRENT OSCILLATOR

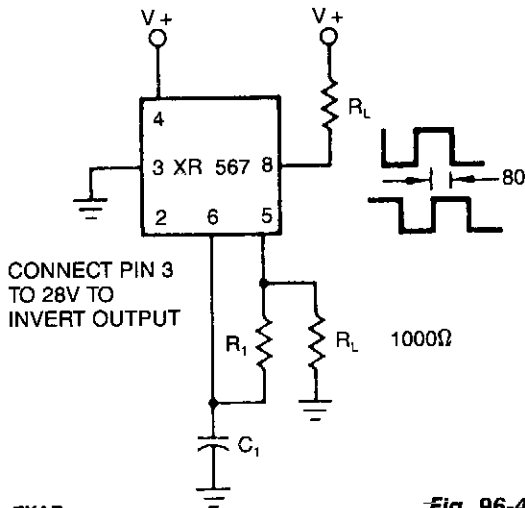


The oscillator output of the XR-567 can be amplified using the output amplifier and high-current logic output available at pin 8. In this manner, the circuit can switch 100-mA load currents without sacrificing oscillator stability. The oscillator frequency can be modulated over  $\pm 6\%$  in frequency by applying a control voltage of pin 2.

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Fig. 96-3

## QUADRATURE-OUTPUTS OSCILLATOR



The XR-567 functions as a precision oscillator with two separate square-wave outputs at pins 5 and 8, that are at nearly quadrature phase with each other. Because of the internal biasing arrangement, the actual phase shift between the two outputs is typically 80%.

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Fig. 96-4

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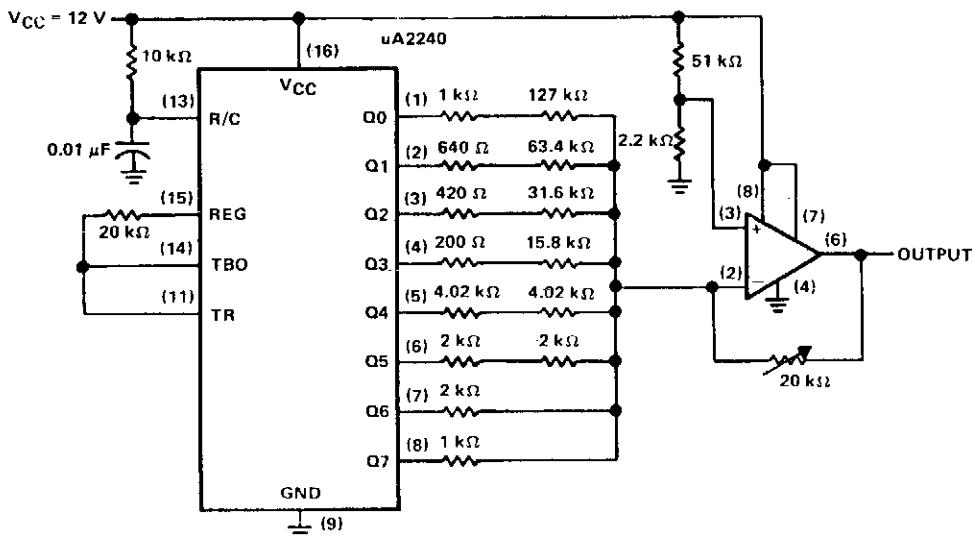
## Staircase Generators

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*μ*A2240 Staircase Generators  
Staircase Generator

## UA2240 STAIRCASE GENERATOR



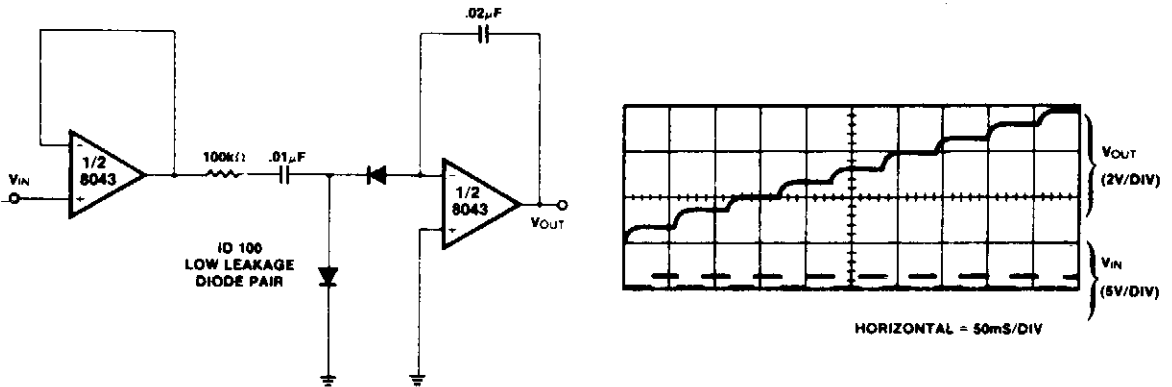
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**Fig. 97-1**

The uA2240 timer/counter, combined with a precision resistor ladder network and an op amp, form the staircase generator. In the astable mode, once a trigger pulse is applied, the uA2240 operates continuously until it receives a reset pulse. The trigger input at pin 11 is tied to the time base output at pin 14, resulting in automatic starting and continuous operation. The frequency of the time-base oscillator, TBO, is set by the time constants  $R_1$  and  $C_1$  ( $f = 1/R_1C_1$ ). For this example, a 10-K $\Omega$  resistor and a 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor form the timing network.

The counter outputs are connected to a precision resistor ladder network with binary-weighted resistors. The current sink through the resistors connected to the counter outputs correspond to the count number. For example, the current sink at Q7, the most significant bit, is 128 times the current sink at Q0, the least significant bit. As the count is generated by the uA2240 eight-bit counter, the current sink through each active binary-weighted resistor decreases the positive output of the op amp in discrete steps. The feedback potentiometer is set at a nominal 10 K $\Omega$  to supply a maximum output voltage range. An input of 12 V allows a 10-V output swing. With a 0.5-V input reference on pin 3 of the TCL271, the output will change from 10.46 V maximum, in 256 steps of 38.9 mV per step, to a 0.5 V minimum. Each step has a pulse duration of 100  $\mu$ s and an amplitude decrease of 38.9 mV. The waveform output is repeated until a reset is applied to the uA2240.

## STAIRCASE GENERATOR



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Fig. 97-2

This circuit is a high-input impedance version of the so-called *diode pump* or *staircase generator*. Note that charge transfer takes place at the negative-going edge of the input signal. The most common application for staircase generators is in low-cost counters. By resetting the capacitor when the output reaches a predetermined level, the circuit can be made to count reliably up to a maximum of about 10.

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## **Strobe Circuit**

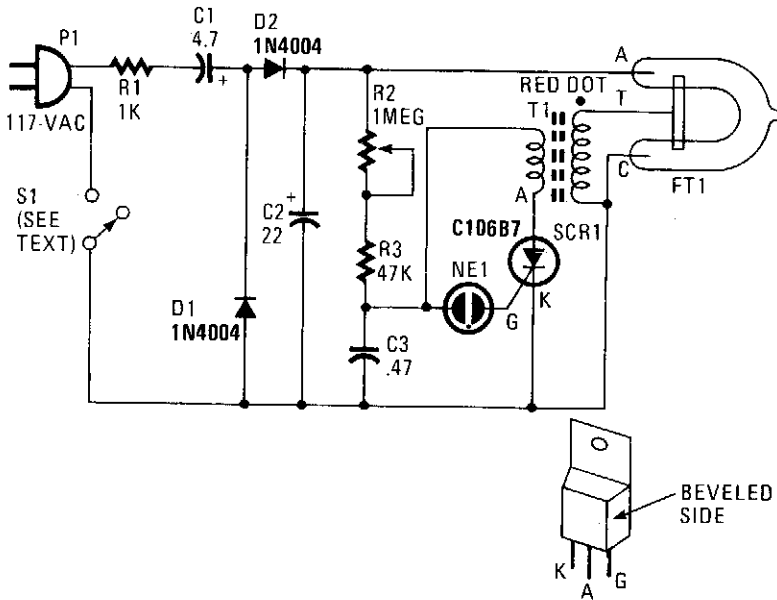
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Variable Strobe Light



## VARIABLE STROBE LIGHT



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**Fig. 98-1**

In this strobe-light, two circuits are needed; one circuit charges a capacitor placing 320 Vdc between the cathode and anode of the flashtube. The other circuit provides bursts of approximately 4000 V to trigger the flashtube into conduction. The voltage-doubler works by summing two equal voltages in series, which results in a doubling of the voltage. The 4000 V-needed to trigger the flashtube is provided by transformer T1—a voltage step-up transformer that develops 4000 V across its secondary coil when current flows in the primary coil. Silicon-controlled rectifier SCR1 controls the current flow in the primary coil of T1. When SCR1 conducts, current flows suddenly in the primary coil and 4000 Vac spikes appear across the secondary coil. For conduction, SCR1 needs a negative and positive voltage on the cathode and anode, respectively, and a positive voltage on the gate. It is the function of components R2, R3, C3, and NE1 to provide that positive gate voltage and turn on SCR1. Potentiometer R2, resistor R3, and capacitor C3 form an rc timing circuit. Control of charging time of C3 is accomplished by varying that resistance in the circuit. When the voltage on C3 reaches the firing voltage of the neon bulb, it causes NE1 to conduct, thus placing a positive voltage, from C3, on the gate of SCR1. The SCR now turns on and C3 discharges through SCR1 and the primary coil of T1. The 4000 V that is developed across the secondary coil of T1 fires the xenon tube, causing a bright flash. The whole process then repeats itself with C3 charging up, NE1 firing to short out SCR1, and T1 developing 4000 V to trigger the xenon flashtube.

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## Switching Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Rf Power Switch  
Switch Debouncer  
SCR-Replacing Latching Switch  
One-MOSPOWER FET Analog Switch  
On/Off Inverters

## RF POWER SWITCH

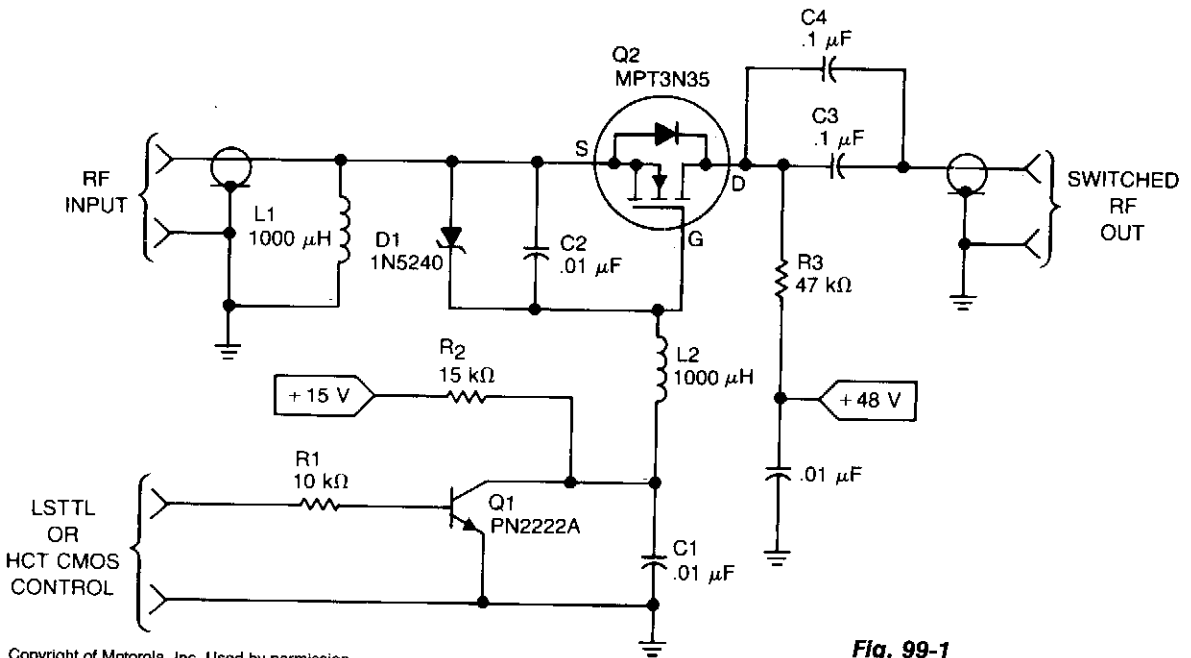


Fig. 99-1

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This rf power switch operates at 1.7 MHz with a 50-V source and load. Its on loss is 0.2 dB and its off isolation is 30 dB. It provides 40-W PEP, 45  $V_{PEAK}$  and 0.9  $A_{PEAK}$ . The control input can come from CMOS, TTL, LS, etc., to turn on Q1, which turns on Q2, a TMOS MTP3N35.

## SWITCH DEBOUNCER

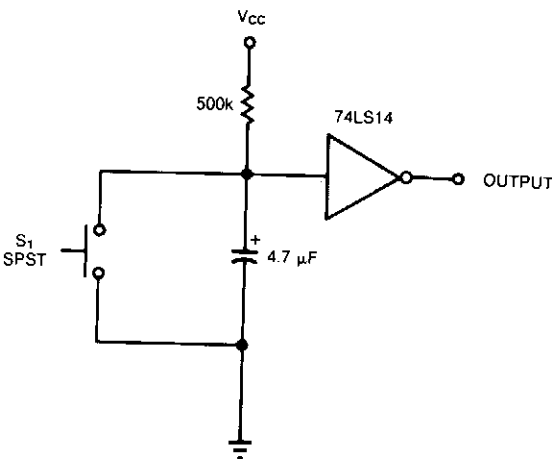
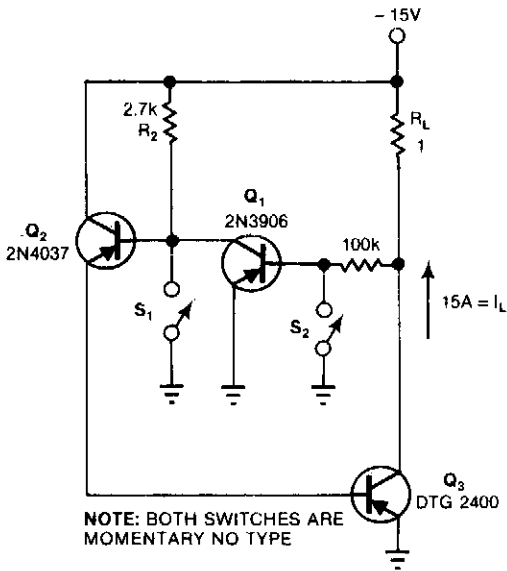


Fig. 99-2

TTL inverter 74LS14 has an internal 16-K $\Omega$ , pull-up resistor that pulls the gate input high when the switch is open. As you close the switch, the 4.7- $\mu$ F capacitor discharges on the first contact. If the switch contacts bounce open, the internal resistor limits the capacitor's recharge to a rate sufficiently slow to prevent an undesired gate transition before the contacts again close. Note that the circuit correctly debounces the switch for both opening and closing. If you add an external pull-up resistor, you can use a CMOS Schmitt-trigger gate, 74HC14, and a smaller, 0.1- $\mu$ F, capacitor.

## SCR-REPLACING LATCHING SWITCH

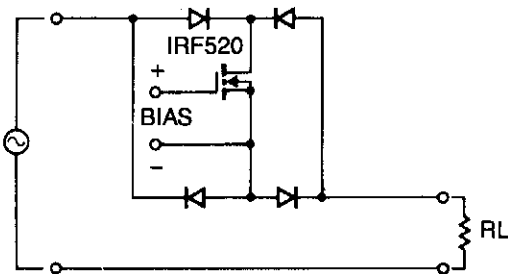


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Fig. 99-3

This circuit provides the turn-on characteristics of an SCR, but turns off with ease. The switch is comprised of three transistors with descending current ratings: Q3 has a high-current rating and Q2 has a medium rating. The current,  $I_L$ , to be switched is 15 A. Momentarily depressing S2 removes Q1's base drive, turning Q1 off and allowing Q2 to turn on. Q2 then drives the base-emitter junction of Q3, turning Q3 on. Q3's collector-emitter voltage, which serves as Q1's base drive, is essentially zero, keeping Q1 off. To turn Q3 off, depress S1; this action momentarily shunts Q2's base current to ground, reversing the chain of events that turned Q3 on.

## ONE-MOSPOWER FET ANALOG SWITCH

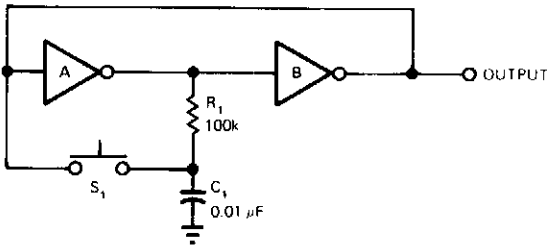


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Fig. 99-4

Using four diodes in an array allows using only one MOSPOWER transistor for analog switching. The current flow is controlled by keeping the source-base connection of the MOSFET towards the load. Be sure to use diodes capable of handling the load current and a transistor whose breakdown voltage specification exceeds the peak analog voltage anticipated. Operationally, by increasing the gate-to-source bias voltage, the MOSFET turns on. For applications other than either full-on or full-off, care must be taken not to exceed the dissipation of the MOSPOWER transistor. A suitable heatsink cannot be overstressed in such applications.

## ON/OFF INVERTERS



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**Fig. 99-5**

Each time the switch closes, the voltage on  $C_1$  causes inverter A to change state, with positive feedback from inverter B. Resistor  $R_1$  delays the charging and discharging of  $C_1$ , making the circuit virtually immune to contact bounce. The circuit works with either CMOS or TTL gates. The values of  $R_1$  and  $C_1$  are not critical and can be increased for greater contact bounce protection, if needed. Recommended ranges are 10 K to 1 M $\Omega$  for  $R_1$ , and 0.01 to 1.0  $\mu\text{F}$  for  $C_1$ .

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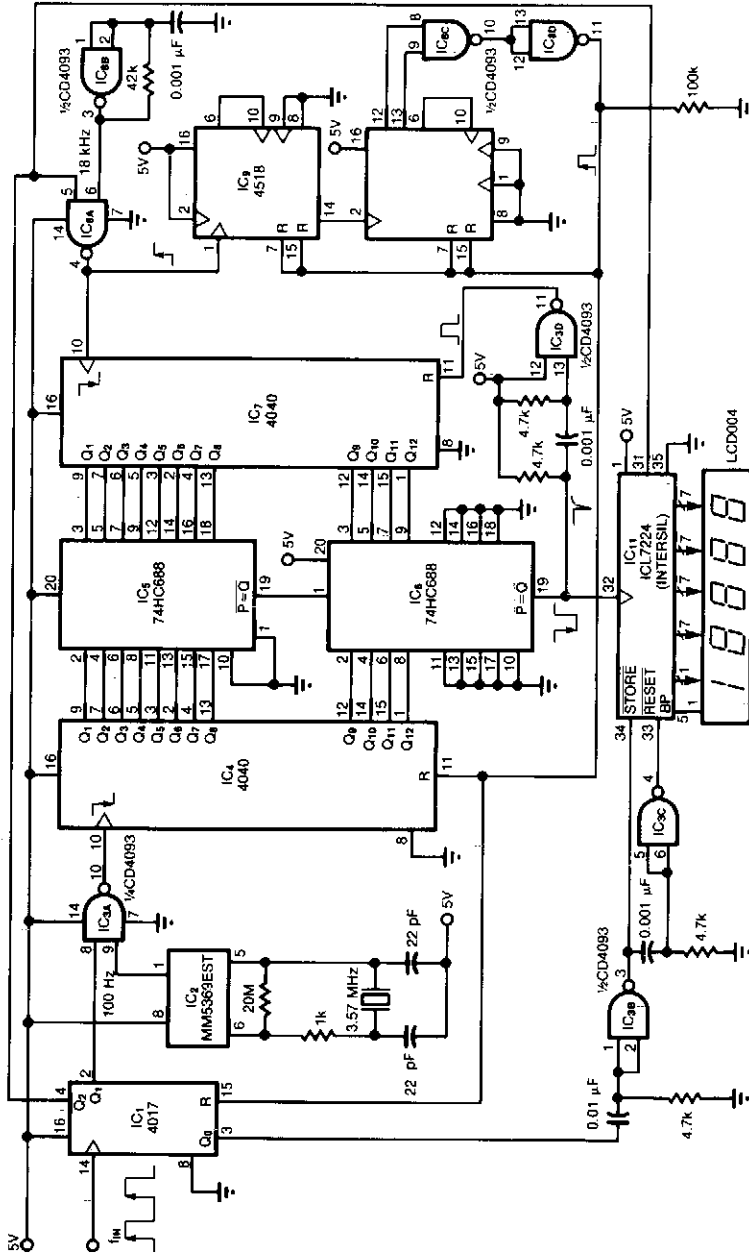
## Tachometer Circuits

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Low-Frequency Tachometer  
Tachometer  
Calibrated Tachometer

# LOW-FREQUENCY TACHOMETER

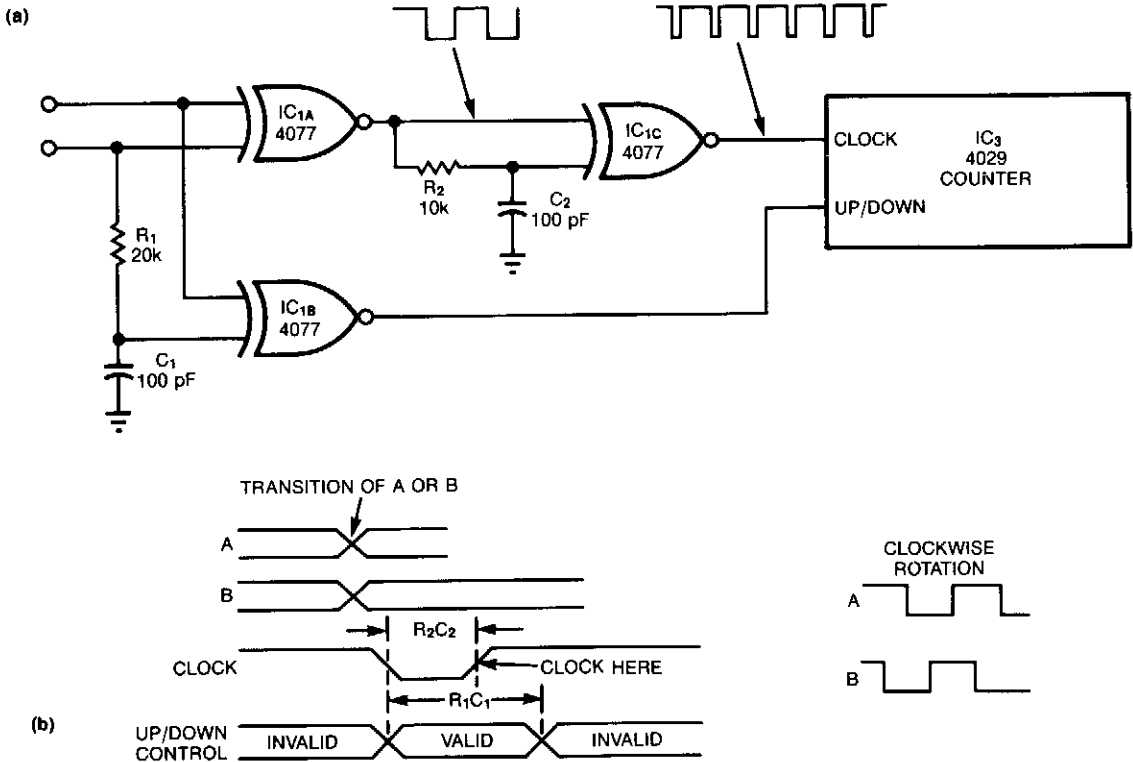


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Fig. 100-1

This tachometer lets you measure heartbeats, respiratory rates, and other low-frequency events that recur at intervals of 0.33 to 40.96 seconds. The circuit senses the period of  $f_{IN}$ , computes the equivalent pulses per minute, and updates the LCD accordingly. Although the decimal readout equals  $60 f_{IN}$ , the circuit doesn't actually produce a frequency of  $60 f_{IN}$ . The computation involves counting and comparison techniques and takes 0.33 seconds.

## TACHOMETER



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Fig. 100-2

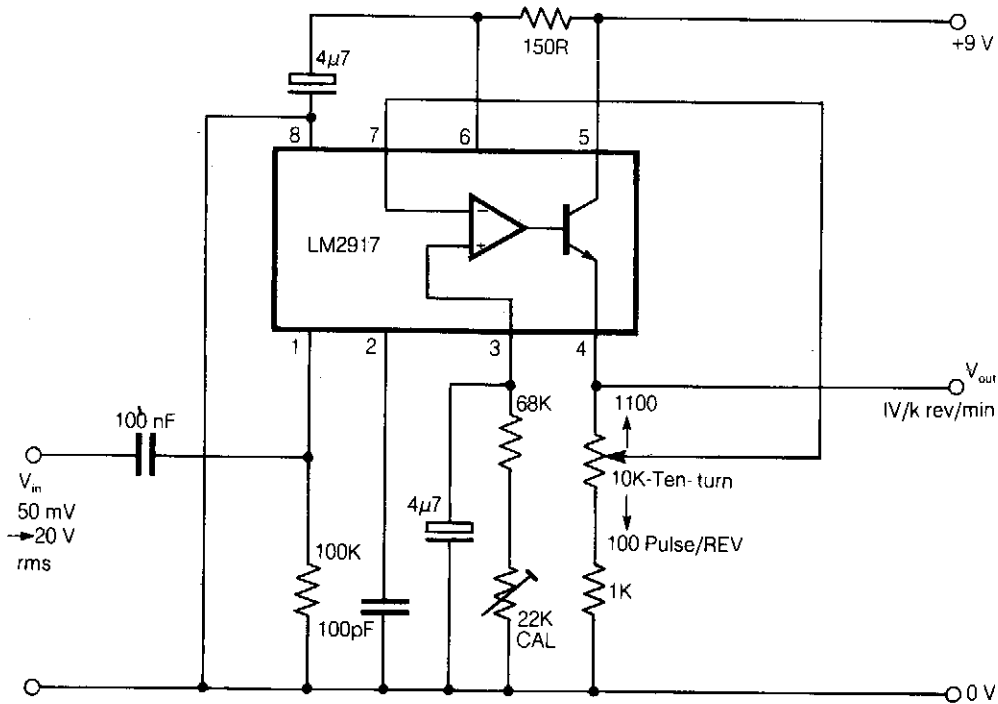
A standard shaft encoder's *A* and *B* ports generate square waves with the same frequency as the shaft turns. The phase of *A* will lead or lag that of *B* by  $90^\circ$ , depending on the direction of rotation. To obtain maximum resolution, the tachometer circuit must count every change of the state for the *A* and *B* signals. Each such change causes a change of state at IC1A's output, followed by a  $1\text{-}\mu\text{s}$  negative pulse at the output of IC1C. These clock pulses' positive (trailing) edges cause the counter to count up or down, according to the direction of shaft rotation.

You should set the  $R1C1$  time constant, so that it is approximately twice that of the  $R2C2$  product, to ensure adequate setup and hold times for the up/down signal with respect to the positive clock edges. IC1C supports this timing requirement by producing clock pulses of similar duration for either positive or negative transitions or IC1A.

The exclusive-NOR logic of IC1B generates the correct polarity of the up/down signal when necessary, at the positive clock edges, by combining the *A* value with the *B* value just prior to a transition of *A* or *B*. C1 provides memory by sorting the *B* value voltage for about  $2\ \mu\text{s}$ . The maximum frequency for *A* or *B* is approximately  $(4R1C1)^{-1}$ .



## CALIBRATED TACHOMETER



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**Fig. 100-3**

Here is a simple tachometer circuit for use with a hand-held DVM or portable chart recorder. A novel feature is that the source frequency pulse/rev rate can be directly set on a ten-turn potentiometer to provide a convenient calibration of one V per 1000 rev/min. This is particularly useful when measuring a shaft or engine speed by sensing gear teeth.

The circuit uses an LM2917 IC which is specifically designed for tachometer applications. The ten-turn potentiometer, which provides the pulse/rev setting, is suitably configured in the output amplifier feedback path. The pulse/rev range is 100 to 1100, so the potentiometer dial mechanism should be set to start at 100 to provide direct calibration.

The IC's internal 7.5-V zener provides stable operation from a 9-V battery. The tachometer accepts an input signal between 50 mv and 20 V rms and has an upper speed limit of 6000 rev/min with the component values shown.

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## Tape-Recorder Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Extended-Play Circuit  
Sound-Activated Switch  
Sound-Activated Tape Switch

## EXTENDED-PLAY CIRCUIT

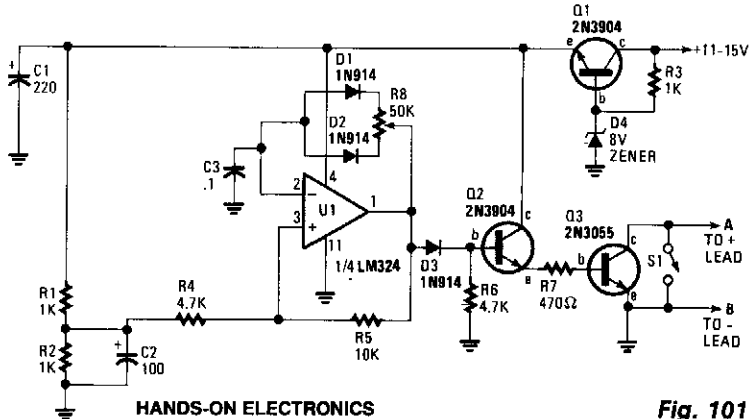


Fig. 101-1

A single op amp—one of four contained in the popular LM324—is operating in a variable pulsewidth, free-running squarewave oscillator circuit, with its timed output driving two transistors that control the on/off cycle of the tape-drive motor.

The oscillator's positive feedback path holds the secret to the successful operation of the variable on/off timing signal. The two diodes and pulsewidth potentiometer R8 allows the setting of the on and off time, without affecting the oscillator's operating frequency. One diode allows only the discharge current to flow through it and the section of R8 that it's connected to. The other diode, and its portion of R8, sets the charge time for the timing capacitor, C3. Since the recorder's speed is controlled by the precise off/on timing of the oscillator, a simple voltage-regulator circuit (Q1, R3, and D4) is included.

Connecting the speed control to most cassette recorders is a simple matter of digging into the recorder and disconnecting either of the motor's power leads, the ground or common side might be best, and connecting the recorder through a length of small, shielded cable to the control circuit. In some recorders, a remote input jack is furnished to remotely turn on and off the recorder. Before going in and modifying a recorder with a remote jack, try connecting the circuit to the external remote input.

## SOUND-ACTIVATED SWITCH

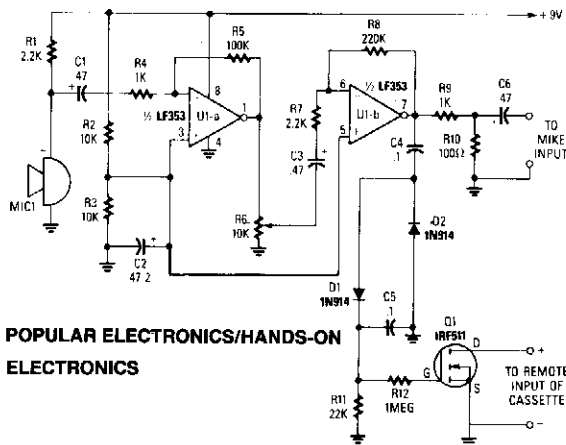
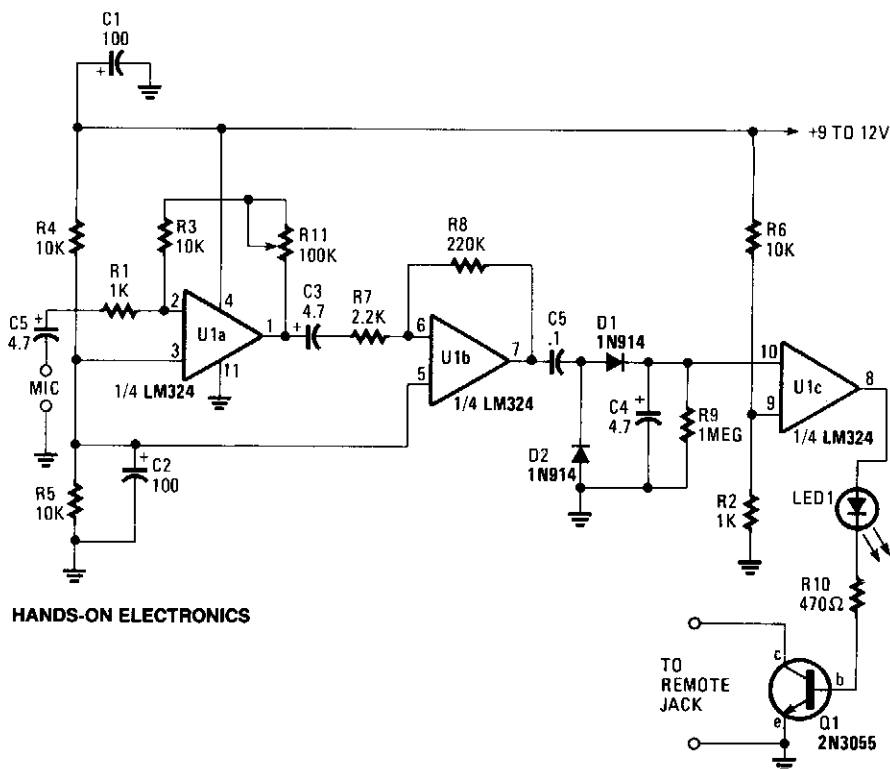


Fig. 101-2

A sensitive electret microphone picks up the sound and feeds the signal to a two-stage amplifier circuit, consisting of U1a and U1b. The amplified output of U1b is fed to a voltage-doubler circuit (comprised of D1, D2, C4, and C5). The output of the doubler is input to the gate of Q1. When the dc voltage reaches the gate's threshold level, Q1 switches on, starting the recorder. Resistor R6 sets the circuit's sensitivity and should be experimented with to obtain the optimum adjustment.

## SOUND-ACTIVATED TAPE SWITCH



**Fig. 101-3**

This circuit can cause a cassette recorder to automatically turn on and record when a sound or noise is present. Another use, is when the sound-activated switch is used to turn on a cassette player so that it operates as a burglar-alarm detector and sounder. Op amps U1a and U1b are connected in tandem to amplify the sounds picked up by the detector's mike. The amplified audio voltage, output at pin 7 of U1b, is fed to a voltage-doubler circuit, consisting of D1 and D2. The elevated voltage from the doubler circuit is input to the positive input of op amp U1c, which is operating as a simple comparator circuit. The other input of U1c is connected to a voltage divider that sets the switching point for the dc signal voltage, to turn on when the signal level is greater than about 1.5 V. As the comparator switches on, its output at pin 8 becomes positive and supplies a forward bias to turn on D3 and Q1, which in turn, starts the recorder. The rc combination of C4/R9 sets the cassette's run time after the input sound has ceased, preventing the recorder from chopping-up or turning-off between closely spaced sounds or words picked up by the mike. The delay time is roughly 6 to 8 seconds. R11 sets the circuit's gain. Connect a low-impedance cassette mike to the amplifier's input, and connect the output of Q1 to the cassette's remote input or to the internal input and set the recorder to the record position. Talk and adjust the amplifier's gain with R11 for the desired sensitivity.

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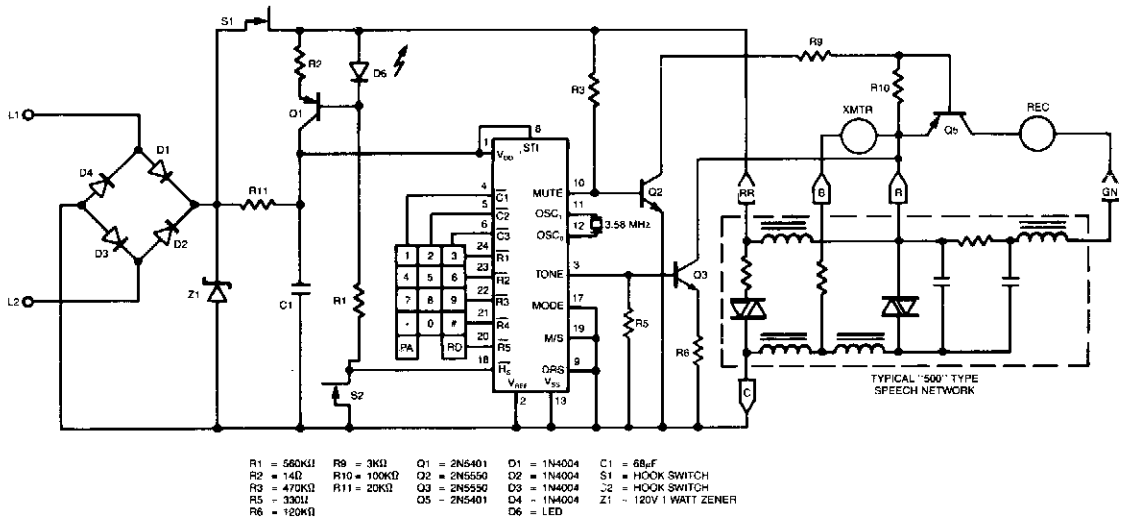
## Telephone-Related Circuits

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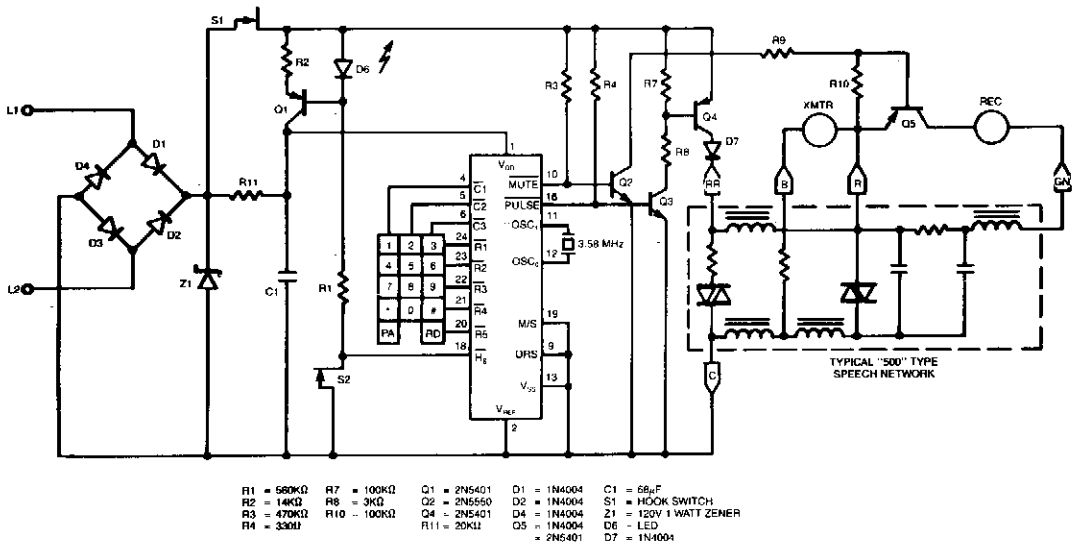
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|                                      |                                     |
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| Single-Chip Pulse/Tone Dialer        | Telephone Handset Encoder           |
| Telephone-Controlled Night Light     | Dial Pulse Indicator                |
| Hands-Free Telephone                 | Telephone Sound Level Meter Monitor |
| Electronic Telephone Set with Redial | Remote Telephone Ringer             |
| Ringer Relay                         | Telephone Speech Activity Detector  |
| Tone-Dialing Telephone               | Duplex Line Amplifier               |
| Telephone Repeater                   | Phone Recorder                      |
| Speakerphone                         | Line-Activated Solid-State Switch   |
| Series Telephone Connection          | Cassette Interface                  |
| Simple Touchtone™ Generator          | Ring Detector                       |
| Pulse-Dialing Telephone              | Wireless Telephone Eavesdropper     |
| Optically Interfaced Ring Detector   | Telephone Amplifier                 |
| Parallel Telephone Connection        | Telephone Tap                       |
| Add-On Telephone Hold Button         |                                     |

## SINGLE-CHIP PULSE/TONE DIALER



**Typical Tone Dialing Application Circuit**



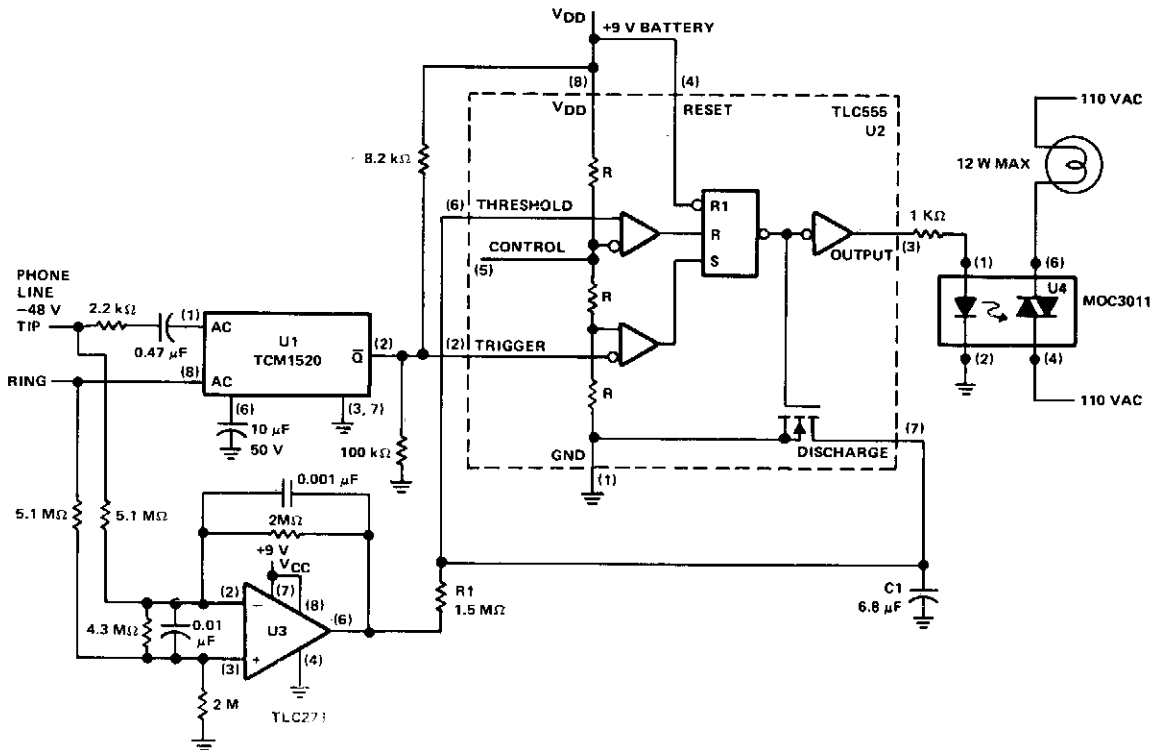
**Typical Pulse Dialing Application Circuit**

**Fig. 102-1**

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The XR-T5990 single-chip pulse/tone Dialer is a silicon gate CMOS circuit which performs both pulse and tone functions. It is designed to operate directly from the telephone line or on a separate small power supply. A 17-digit buffer is provided for redial feature.

## TELEPHONE-CONTROLLED NIGHT LIGHT



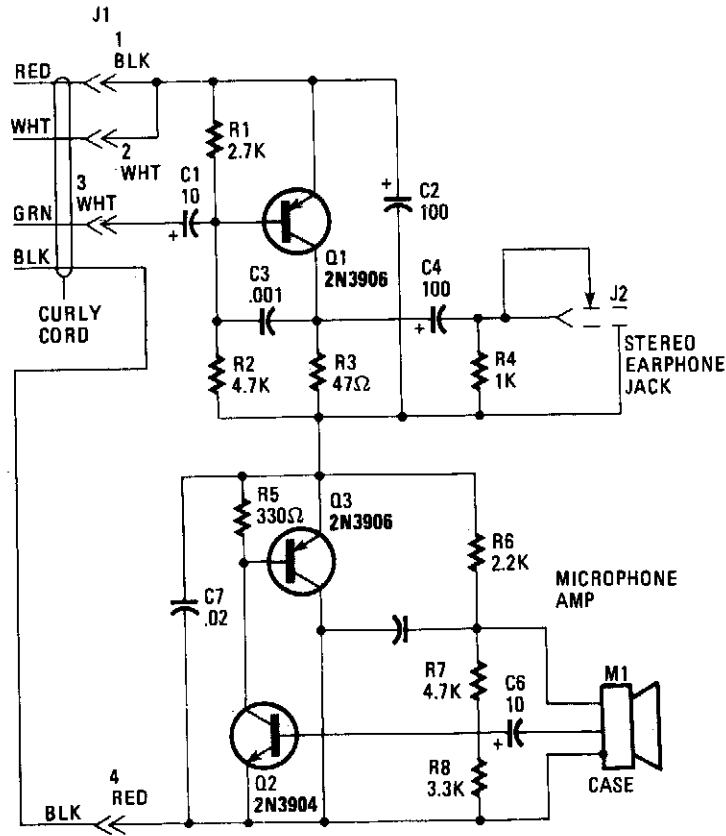
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**Fig. 102-2**

When the telephone rings, or when the handset is lifted, the night light is turned on and remains on while the conversation takes place. When the handset is replaced in the cradle, the light remains on for about 11 s. During standby conditions, the -28 Vdc bias on the phone line maintains the output of U3 in a high state. When the ac ring signal is applied to the phone line, it is processed by the ring detector U1, producing a negative output pulse at pin 2 for each ring. These pulses trigger U2, causing its output to become high and the discharge transistor to turn off. The high output of U2 activates optoisolator U4, which turns on the night light. Each ring retriggers the timer and discharges C1, preventing it from reaching the  $\frac{2}{3} V_{DD}$  threshold level. Thus, the night light will remain on while the phone is ringing and for about 11 s after the last ring. After 11 s, C1 will be charged to the U2 threshold level ( $\frac{2}{3} V_{DD}$ ) resulting in the U2 output returning to a low level and its discharge output turning on, discharging C1. The lamp will turn off if the phone is not answered.

When the phone is answered, a 1-KΩ load is placed across the phone. This removes the differential input to op amp U3, causing its output to become low, and capacitor C1 starts discharging through R1. As long as the voltage across C1 remains low, timer U2 cannot start its cycle and the lamp will remain on. When the phone is hung up, the low impedance is removed from the phone line and the differential voltage across the line causes the U3 output to become high. This allows C1 to start charging, initiating the timing that will turn off the night light.

## HANDS-FREE TELEPHONE



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

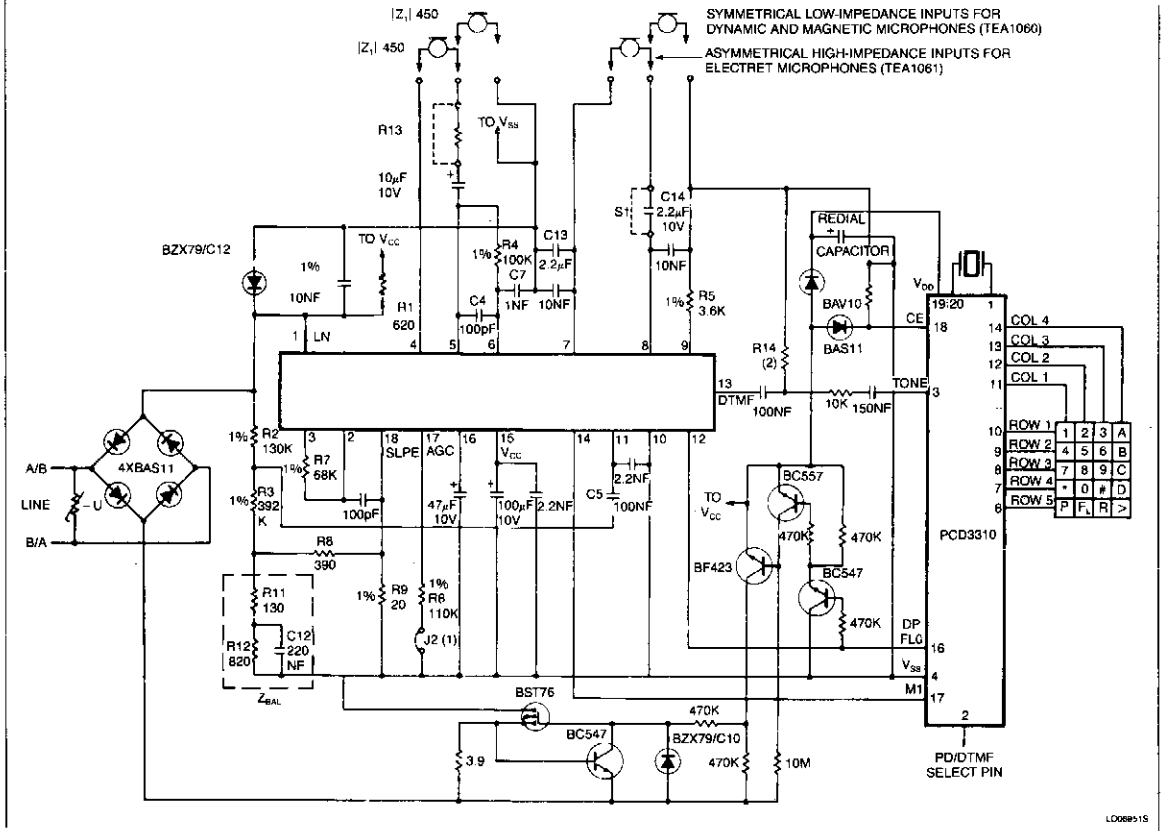
Fig. 102-3

Transistor Q1 of the headset amplifier circuit amplifies the 30 mV signal, that would have gone to the earphones, to .5 V, which sufficiently drives the stereo earphones. Capacitor C1 blocks any dc current from shorting back into the telephone base. Capacitor C2 provides the very important ac signal short around the amplifier. Capacitor C3 provides high-frequency rolloff characteristics and prevents the amplifier from oscillating. Capacitor C4 is a dc block to the 35-Ω impedance of the stereo earphones, and resistor R4 bleeds off any charge build up to prevent a popping sound when the stereo earphones are plugged into the mini-earphone jack J2. The headset amplifier has only about 2 Vdc across it. The microphone amplifier circuit is composed of transistors Q2 and Q3 in an inverted-Darlington configuration.

Another, and perhaps easier, way to understand the operation of this circuit is to consider Q3 as an emitter-follower stage. The electret microphone has a built-in FET IC amplifier that needs at least 3 V at 0.4 mA of clean supply power in order to provide an output impedance of 200 to 800 Ω. Resistors R6 and C5 provide that clean dc power to the FET IC and also provide the bias to Q2 without an ac feedback, which would have reduced Q2's gain. Capacitor C6 blocks the output dc bias from the FET IC.



## ELECTRONIC TELEPHONE SET WITH REDIAL



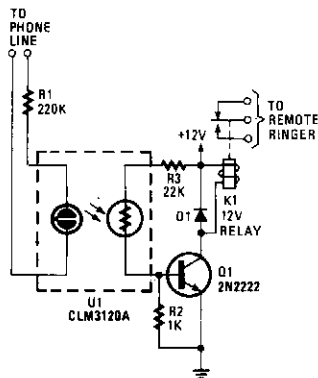
**NOTES:**

1. Automatic line compension obtained by connecting R6 to V<sub>SS</sub>.
2. The value of resistor R14 is determined by the required level at LN and the DTMF gain of the TEA1060.

**SIGNETICS**

**Fig. 102-4**

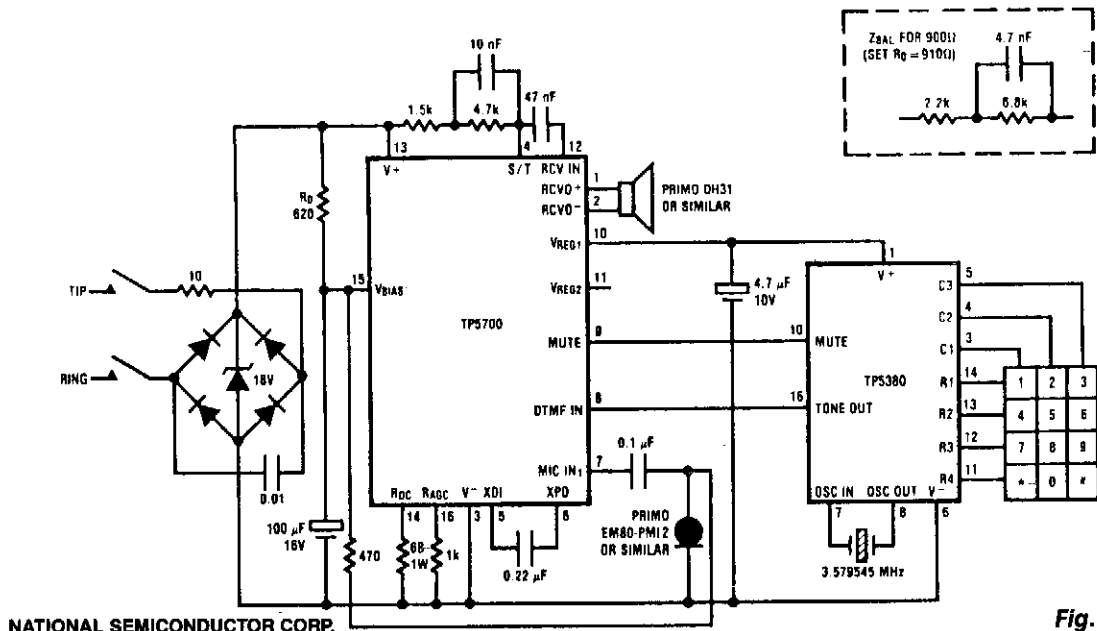
## RINGER RELAY



When the phone rings, the ring signal from the telephone company lights a neon lamp within a CLM3120 optocoupler. That causes a drop in the resistance of the CdS cell output of the device, turning on transistor Q1. When Q1 turns on, relay K1 is energized. The circuit should be connected in series with the lamp that is to be activated.

**Fig. 102-5**

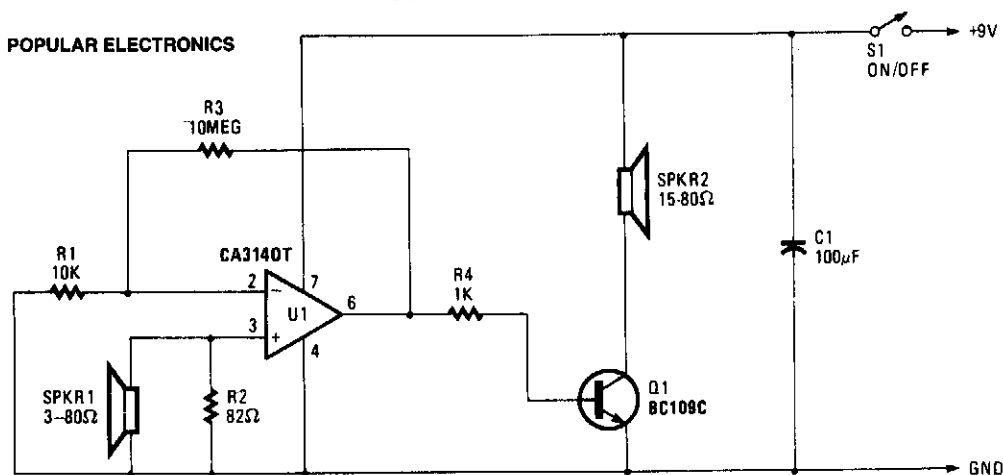
## TONE-DIALING TELEPHONE



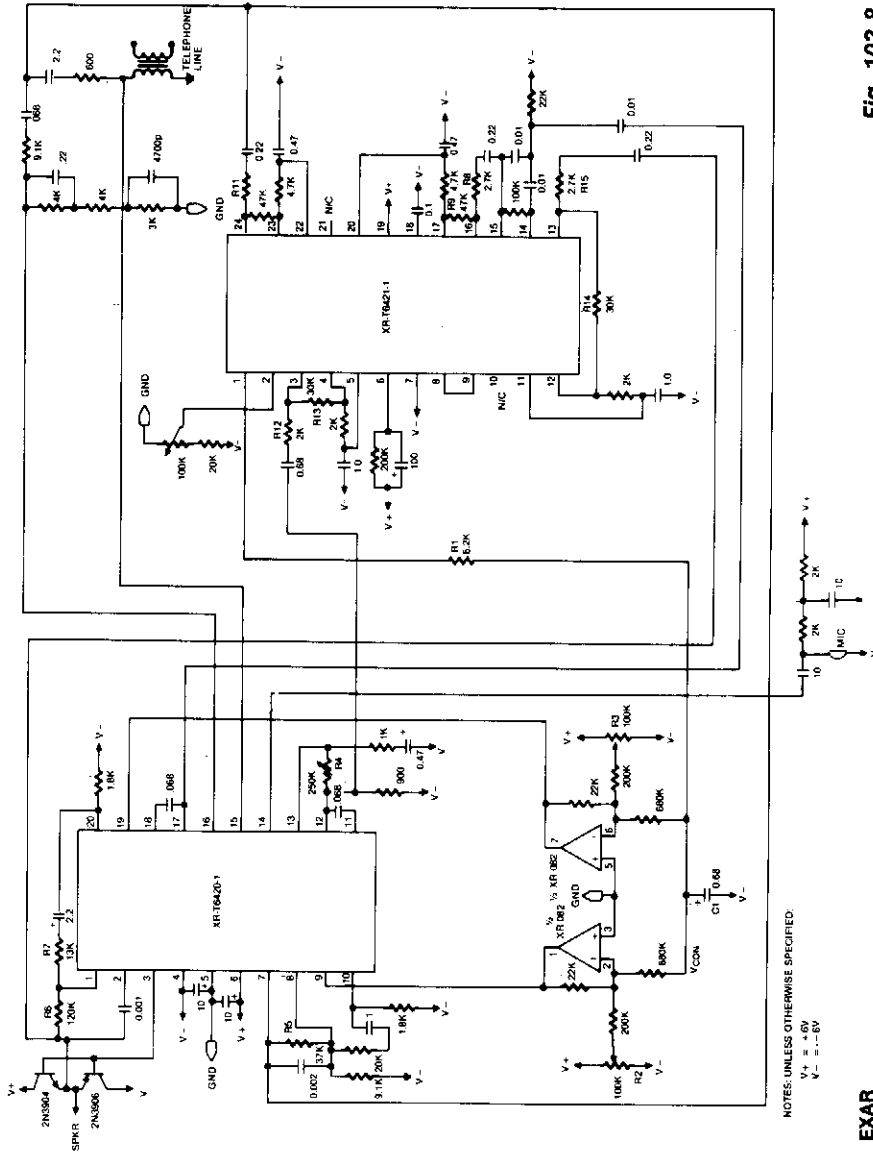
**Fig. 102-6**

This circuit shows the TP5700 directly interfacing to a low-voltage DTMF generator.  $V_{REG1}$  supplies the necessary 2-V minimum bias to enable the TP5380 to sense key closures and pull its mute output high.  $V_{REG1}$  then switches to a 3-V regulated output to sustain the tone dialer during tone generation. The TP5700 DTMF input incorporates the necessary load resistor to  $V^-$  and provides gain, plus AGC action, to compensate for loop length. A muted tone level is heard in the receiver. For DTMF generators with a higher output level than the TP5380, a resistive potentiometer should be added to reduce the level at the speech circuit DTMF input.

## TELEPHONE REPEATER



# SPEAKERPHONE

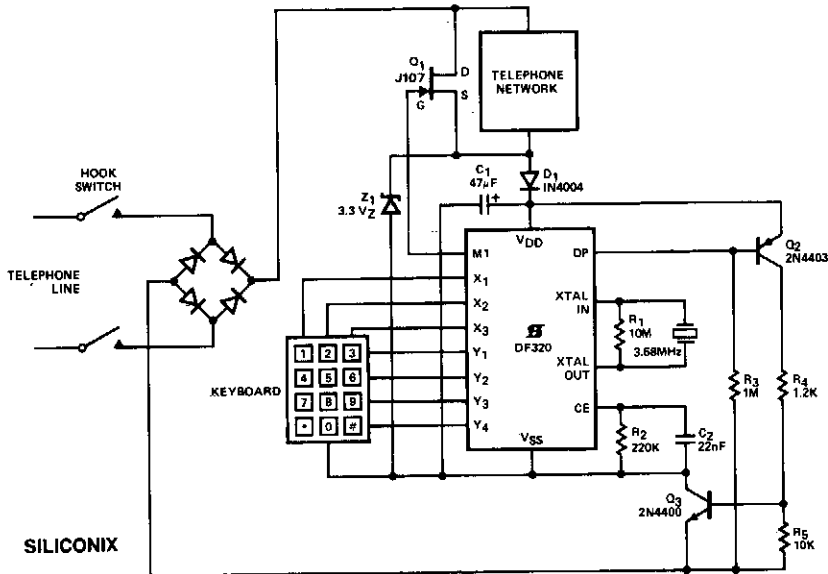


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Fig. 102-8

This circuit consists of two audio channels, a control circuit, and a hybrid interface circuit. The gain of each audio channel is controlled by the control circuitry, with the use of a voltage controlled amplifier (VCA). The inputs to the control circuit are obtained from each of the audio channels. The hybrid interface circuit performs three important functions. First, it couples the  $T_X$  channel signal to the telephone line. Second, it couples the signal on the telephone line to the  $R_X$  channels. And, finally, it cancels a majority of the  $T_X$  signal that can couple into the  $R_X$  channel. The amount of  $T_X$  signal that appears on the  $R_X$  channel is called sidetone.

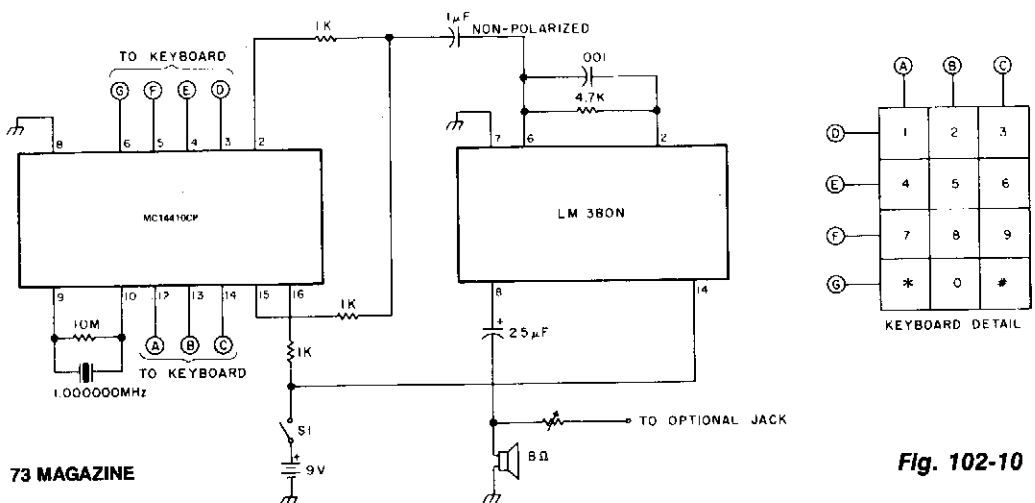
## SERIES TELEPHONE CONNECTION



**Fig. 102-9**

Here is a simple method of series connection into the telephone set suitable for PABX or short line applications. When the telephone handset is lifted, C1 is charged via D1 to  $(V_{Z1} - 0.7)$  V and DF320 on reset occurs. When the first keyed digit is recognized, M1 goes to logic 1, muting the telephone network by switching on the low on resistance JFET Q1, and maximizing the line-loop current for impulsing. Impulsing occurs through DP switching Q2, and hence Q3 turns off. Rapid discharge of C1 through Z1 is prevented during line break by blocking diode D1. When dialing is complete, the circuit returns to the static standby condition, and Q1 is switched off. The circuit reset, during a line interruption by the cradle switch, is for the parallel connection mode.

## SIMPLE TOUCHTONE™ GENERATOR

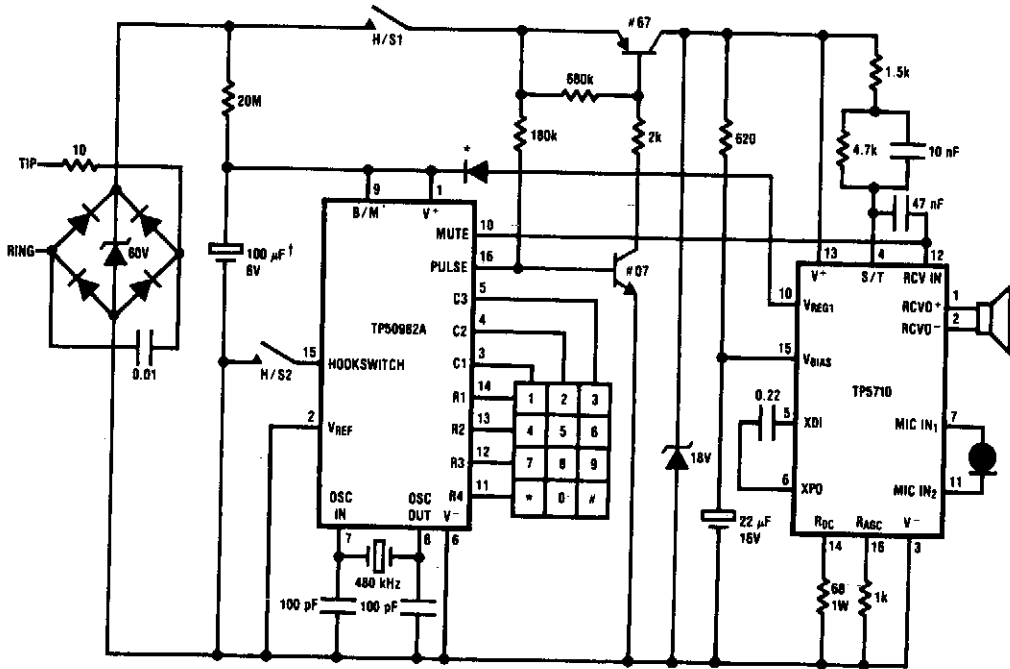


**Fig. 102-10**

## SIMPLE TOUCHTONE™ GENERATOR (Cont.)

The oscillator is a Motorola MC14410CP chip using a 1-MHz crystal. The chip generates both the high and low tones, feeding the energy to the amplifier through 1-K resistors and the 1- $\mu$ F capacitor. Values for the output resistors can vary from a few hundred  $\Omega$  to about 60 K $\Omega$ . The value of the resistor shunting the crystal can vary from about 3 to 15 M $\Omega$ . The amplifier consists of an LM-380N.

### PULSE-DIALING TELEPHONE



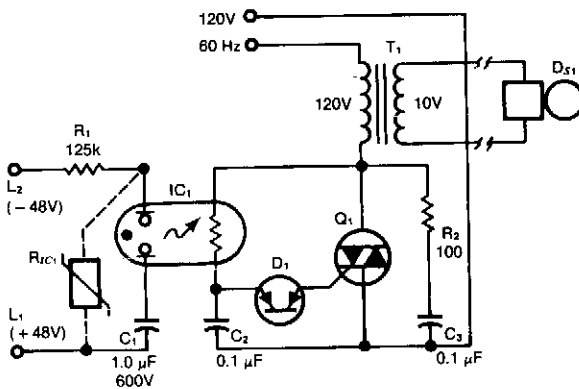
\* Select as necessary to suit mic sensitivity  
 † Low leakage type

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Fig. 102-11

The TP5700 or TP5710 can reduce the number of components required to build a pulse-dialing telephone, as shown. The usual current source can be eliminated by using the  $V_{REG1}$  output to power a TP50982A low-voltage (1.7 V) pulse dialer via a blocking diode. A low forward-voltage drop diode such as a Schottky type is necessary because  $V_{REG1}$  is used in its nonregulated mode and its output voltage might fall to 2 V on a 20-mA loop. A 100- $\mu$ F decoupling capacitor is required to hold up the pulse dialer supply voltage during dialing. This capacitor will take about one second to charge up when the telephone is first connected to the line, but thereafter, the 20-M $\Omega$  resistor, required to retain the last-number dialed memory, will keep this capacitor charged. Partial muting is obtained by directly connecting the N-channel open-drain mute output of the pulse dialer to the RCV in pin on the speech circuit. A fully muted pulse dialer design requires the use of a shunt-mode dialer, such as the TP50981A or TP50985A.

## OPTICALLY INTERFACED RING DETECTOR

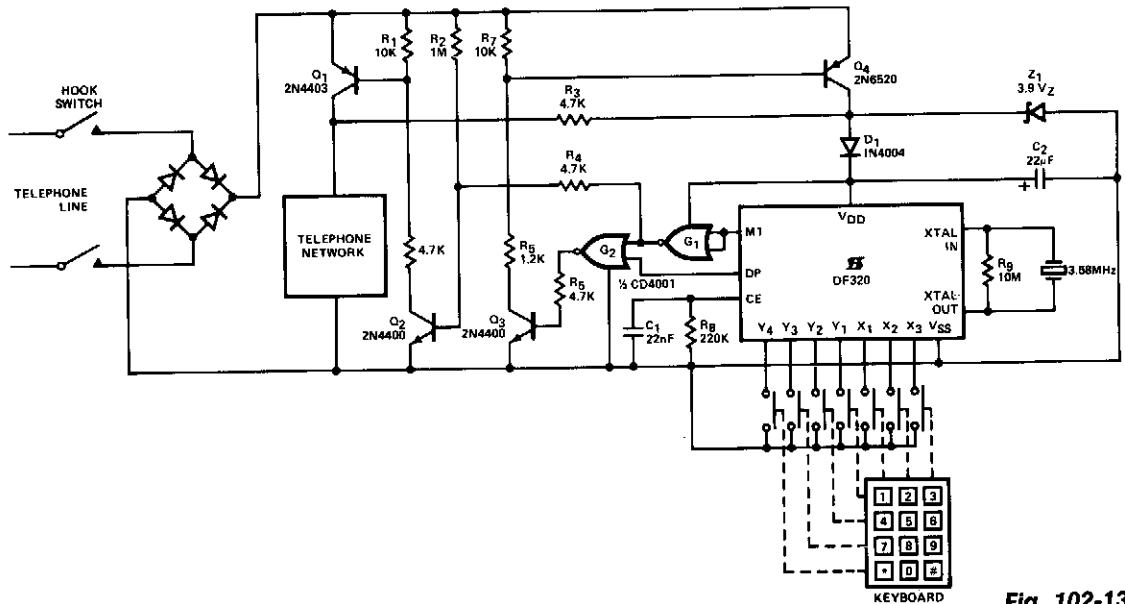


This ring detector, utilizing a neon-LDR (light-dependent resistor) optocoupler, simplifies interfacing with telephone lines.

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**Fig. 102-12**

## PARALLEL TELEPHONE CONNECTION



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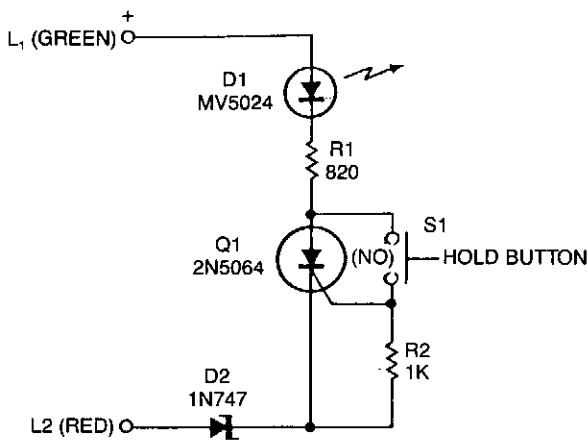
**Fig. 102-13**

When the handset is lifted and power is applied to the circuit, Q2 is fed base current through R2, which in turn drives Q1. C2 is charged via R3 in series with D1 to  $(V_{Z1} - 0.7)$  V. When the minimum operating  $V_{DD}$  voltage is reached, power on reset occurs via the rc network of C1 and R8. Q2 is maintained in the on condition by G1, while Q3, and hence Q4, are held off by G2. The DF320 network appears in parallel with the telephone as an impedance more than 10 K $\Omega$  in the standby condition with the telephone

## PARALLEL TELEPHONE CONNECTION (Cont.)

network connected in circuit through Q1. On recognition of the first keyed digit, the DF320 clock is started. M1 then goes to logic 1 causing Q2 and Q1 to turn off, and Q3 and Q4 to turn on. Hence, the majority of the line loop current now flows through Q4 and Z1. When impulsing occurs, Q3 and Q4 are turned off by DP acting on G2. Line loop current is then reduced to approximately  $50 \mu\text{A}$  taken through R2, R4, and G2 in series. When dialing in, complete M1 goes to logic 0, causing the telephone network to be reconnected. The DF320 then returns to the static standby condition. If the line loop is interrupted by the cradle switch during dialing, impulsing will continue until C2 discharges to a voltage, such that R8 pulls CE to logic 0, causing the DF320 to reset. The diode bridge protects the network from line polarity reversal.

## ADD-ON TELEPHONE HOLD BUTTON



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Fig. 102-14

A sensitive-gate SCR provides a line-holding current of 20 to 40 mA, depending on loop resistance. It also lights an LED to give the user a positive indication that the telephone line is on hold. The 20 to 40 mA should prove sufficient to hold the majority of lines, but it might require increasing—by decreasing the size of R1—in individual instances. When any receiver in the same loop is lifted, the low impedance of the off-hook telephone set shunts holding current away from the SCR, thereby releasing the line and extinguishing the LED. Zener diode D2 ensures that the line-holding current drops below the SCR's minimum conduction current. If the calling party tires of waiting on hold and hangs up, the release of the central-office relays from the calling side also releases the line from the hold mode.

## TELEPHONE HANDSET ENCODER

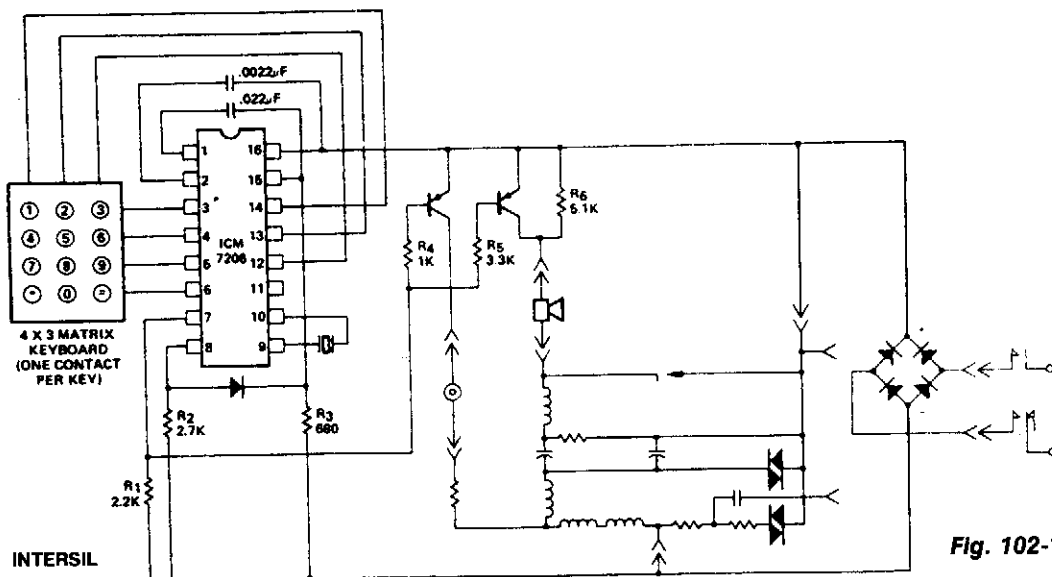


Fig. 102-15

This encoder uses a single contact per key keyboard and provides all other switching functions electronically. The diode connected between terminals 8 and 15 prevents the output from going more than 1 V negative with respect to the negative supply  $V_{SS}$ . The circuit operates over the supply voltage range from 3.5 V to 15 V on the device side of the bridge rectifier. Transients as high as 100 V will not cause system failure, although the encoder will not operate correctly under these conditions. Correct operation will resume immediately after the transient is removed. The output voltage of the synthesized sine wave is almost directly proportional to the supply voltage ( $V_{DD} - V_{SS}$ ) and will increase with the increase of supply voltage between terminals 8 and 16, after which the output voltage remains constant.

## DIAL PULSE INDICATOR

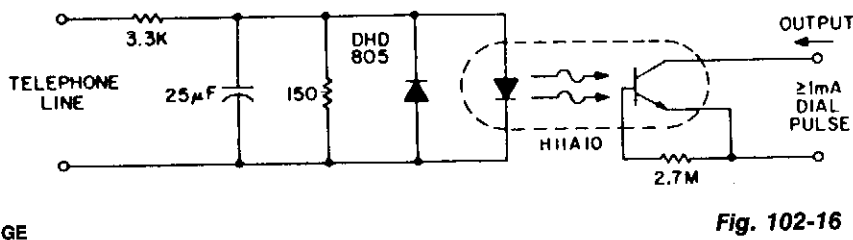
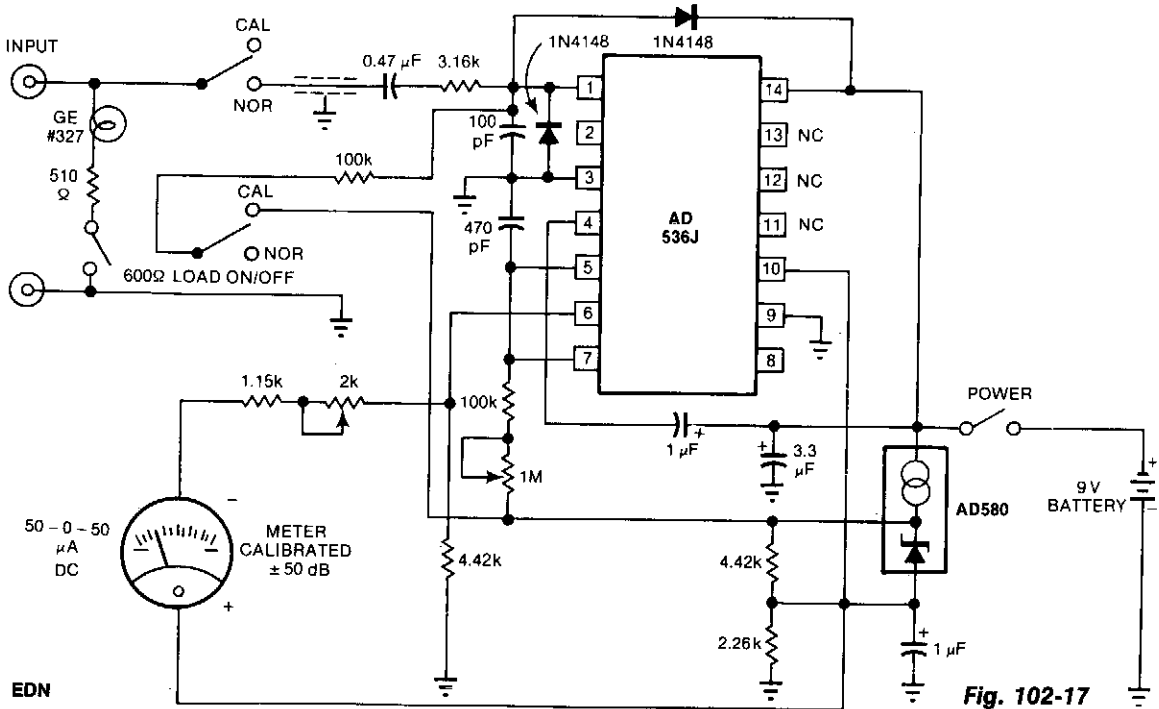


Fig. 102-16

This indicator senses the switching on and off of the 48-Vdc line voltage and transmits the pulses to logic circuitry. An H11A10 threshold coupler, with capacitor filtering, gives a simple circuit which can provide dial pulse indication, and yet reject high levels of induced 60-Hz noise. The DHD805 provides reverse bias protection for the LED during transient over-voltage situations. The capacitive filtering removes less than 10 ms of the leading edge of a 40-V dial pulse, while providing rejection of up to 25-V rms at 60 Hz.

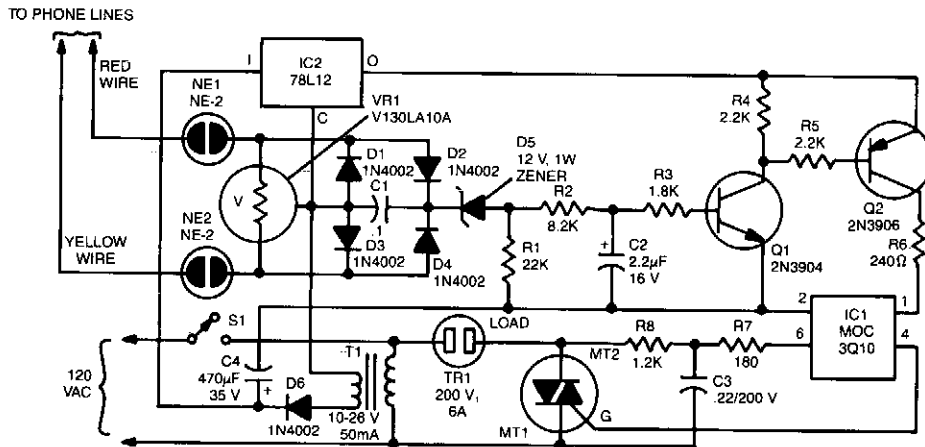


## TELEPHONE SOUND LEVEL METER MONITOR



The telephone-line decibel meter and line-voltage sensor shown lets you accurately monitor and adjust telephone sound levels. The 600- $\Omega$  resistor properly terminates the line. Power drain from the 9-V battery is 2 mA, and the meter provides  $\pm 30$  dB range.

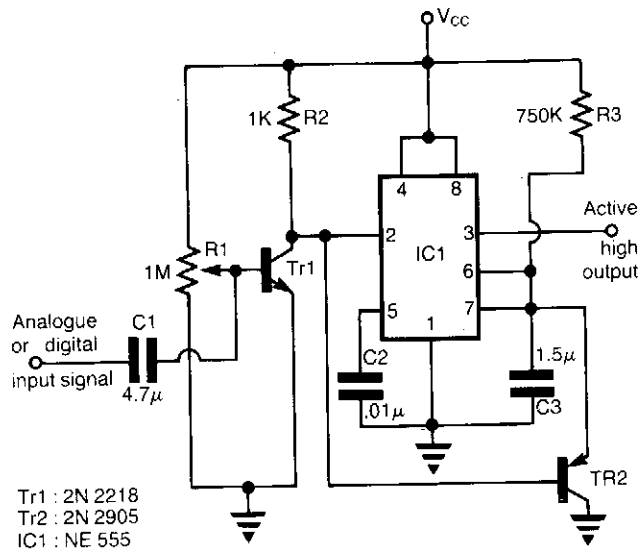
## REMOTE TELEPHONE RINGER



## REMOTE TELEPHONE RINGER (Cont.)

The two neon bulbs will light when more than 100 V is across the ringing circuit. The bulbs provide line isolation between the unit and the telephone line. Finally, they act as a voltage divider for the bridge rectifier made up of D1 through D4. That voltage divider creates a positive voltage that is then applied through D5, is filtered by R2, R3, and C2, and causes Q1 and Q2 to conduct. When that happens, triac TR1 is fired through the optical coupler IC1; this turns on the triac, which applies 110 Vac to the load.

## TELEPHONE SPEECH ACTIVITY DETECTOR

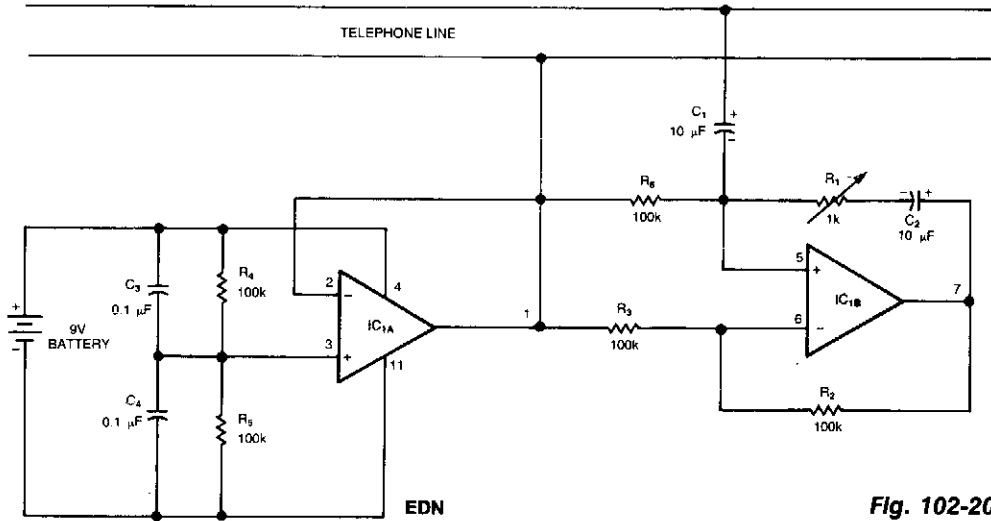


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Fig. 102-19

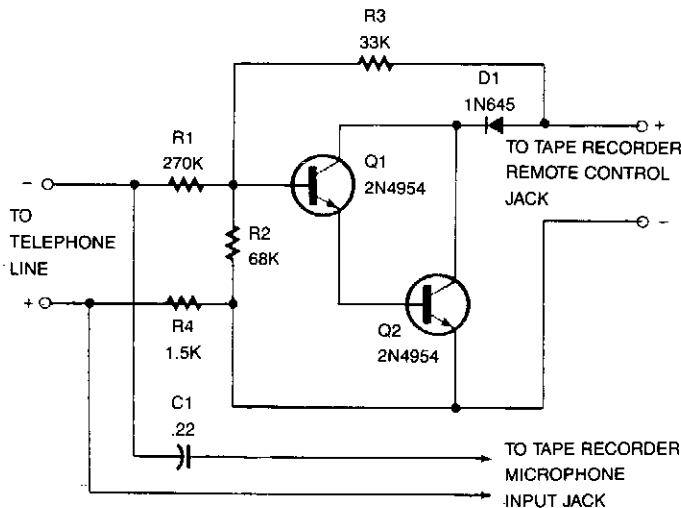
This circuit can be used in telephone lines for speech activity detection purposes. This detection is very useful in the case of half-duplex conversation between two stations—in the case of simultaneous transmission of voice and data over the same pair of cables by the method of interspersed data on voice traffic, and also in echo suppressor devices. The circuit consists of a class-A amplifier to amplify the weak analog signals (25–400 mV). The IC1 which follows, is connected as a retriggerable monostable multivibrator with the TR2 discharging the timing capacitor C3, if the pulse train reaches the trigger input 2 of IC1 with period less than the time:  $T_{HIGH} = 1.1 R3C3$ . The output 3 of IC1 is active on when an analog or digital signal is presented at the output, and it drops to a low level,  $T_{HIGH}$ , seconds after the input signal has ceased to exist.

## DUPLEX LINE AMPLIFIER



This circuit is a bidirectional amplifier that can amplify both signals of a duplex telephone conversation. It uses the principle of negative resistance. Obviously, such an amplifier could easily be unstable; however, you can adjust R1 for maximum amplification and the circuit will remain stable. The LM324 op amps can be replaced with op amps that would distort less, such as the LM1558, LF412, LF353, or LF442.

## PHONE RECORDER

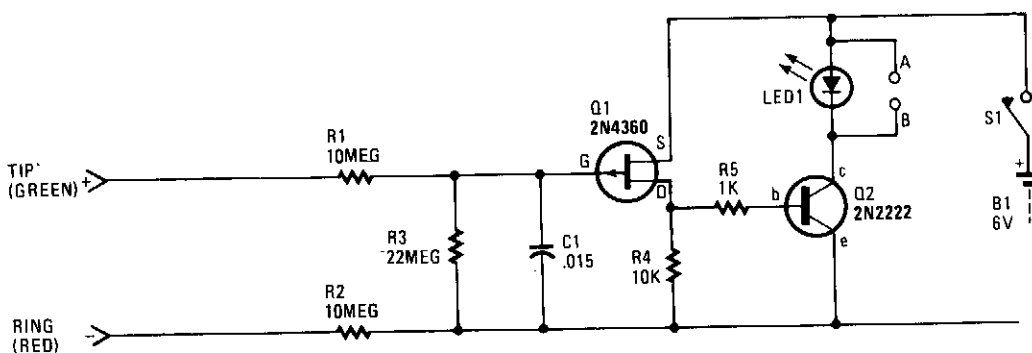


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## PHONE RECORDER (Cont.)

This recorder can be connected to the telephone lines just about any place, and no external power source is needed. The tape recorder's switch terminals are applied to a pair of transistors, connected as Darlingtons, that are used to turn the recorder on and off. When the telephone is off-hook there's usually about 50 Vdc across the phone that's divided over R1, R2, and R4, so that Q1's base is negative enough to keep the recorder off. Pick up the receiver, and the voltage drops to 5 V. That leaves not quite-enough voltage on Q1's base to keep that transistor at cutoff, so the recorder begins. Remember to keep your recorder's switch in the on position, and depending on how many people use the telephone, remember to rewind or change tapes occasionally!

### LINE-ACTIVATED SOLID-STATE SWITCH



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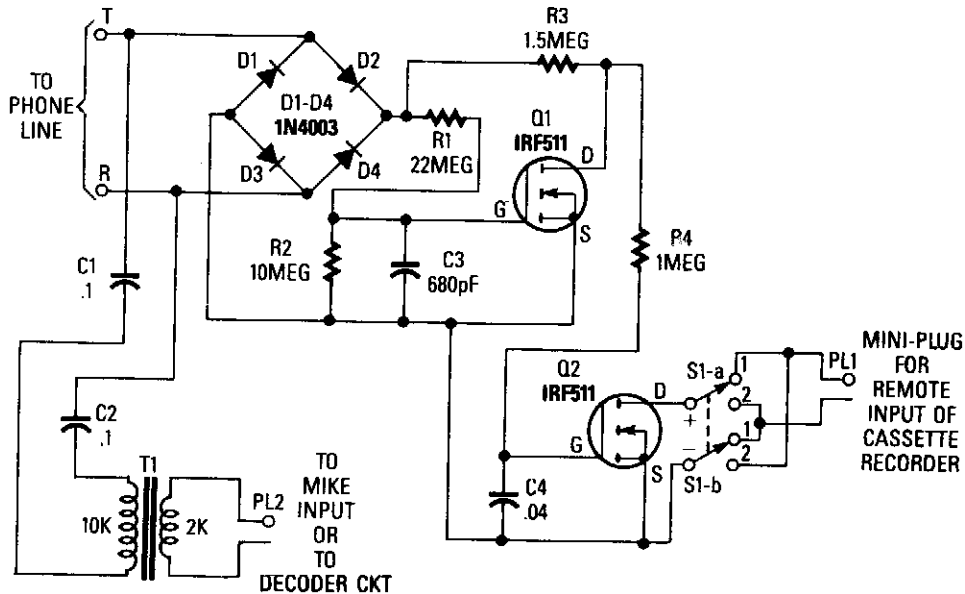
Fig. 102-22

Each and every time a phone on the same line or calling number is taken off-hook, the circuit will be activated to control an external electronic circuit. If several extension telephones are used on one phone line, the circuit can be useful as a *busy* indicator. LED1 contains a special flashing red LED that makes an excellent indicator for a *busy* circuit condition.

The solid-state switch can be used for several other phone-activated applications, such as automatically turning on a cassette recorder, starting a phone-use timer or counter, etc. A small relay can be connected at points A and B, in place of LED1, to control external circuits. A 117-Vac-to-6-Vdc plug-in power supply can be substituted for the battery to keep the operating cost at a minimum.

The 48-Vdc, on-hook, phone-line voltage keeps Q1 in the cut-off condition, allowing no current to flow through resistor R4, hence Q2 remains off. Resistors R1 and R2 keep the solid-state switch circuit from causing any problems with the telephone's central-office equipment. When a phone is taken off-hook, the line voltage (tip to ring) drops to 10 V or less, which forces Q1 to turn on; this, in turn, causes Q2 to trigger LED1, or a relay which might be used in lieu of LED1.

## CASSETTE INTERFACE



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Fig. 102-23

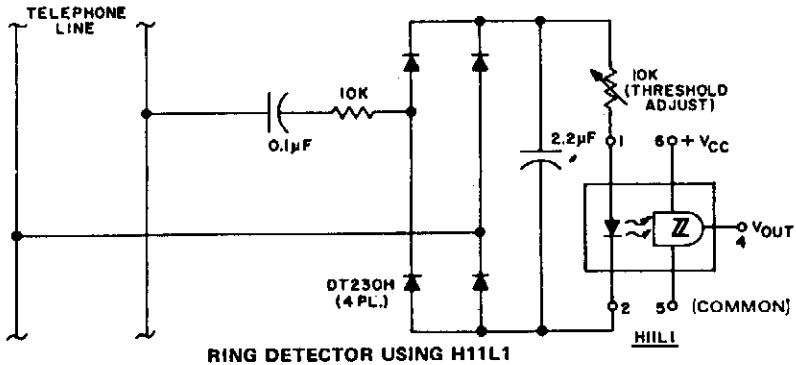
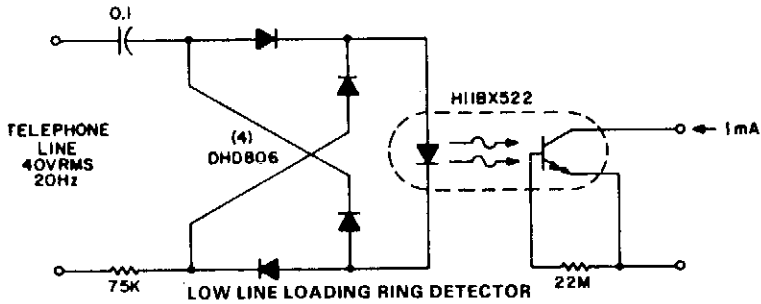
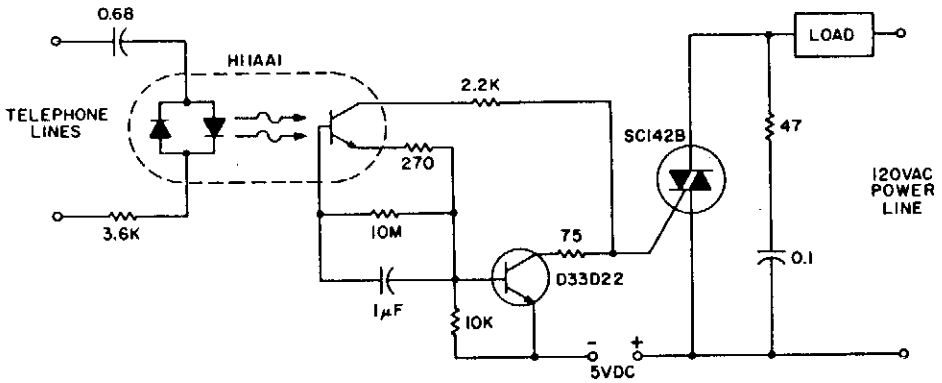
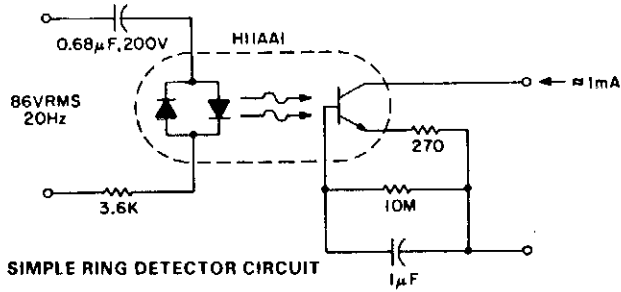
Q1 and Q2 are used to form the basis of an interface circuit for attaching a cassette recorder to the phone line. The circuit does not require a power supply because operating power is drawn from the telephone line itself. The incoming signal is fed across a bridge-rectifier circuit, consisting of diodes D1 through D4.

When the phone is on hook, the voltage at the output of the bridge at the R1/R3 junction is near 48 V. That voltage is fed across a voltage divider consisting of R1 and R2. The voltage at the junction formed by R1 and R2 is fed to the gate of Q1, turning it on. That pulls the drain of Q1 low. Since the gate of Q2 is connected to the drain of Q1, the bias applied to the gate of Q2 is low, holding it in the OFF state.

When the answering machine responds to a call or a phone is taken off hook, the voltage across the phone lines drops below 10 V, causing Q1 to turn off. At that point, the voltage at Q1's drain rises, turning Q2 on. The remote input of the cassette is connected to Q2's drain and source through S1, and a miniature plug is connected to the remote input jack.

Switch S1 must be in a position so that the positive lead of the recorder's remote input connects, through switch position 1, to Q2's drain and the negative input to Q2's source. Switch S1 provides a convenient way to reverse the circuit's trigger output without having to unsolder and resolder leads. The phone's audio is coupled through C1, C2, and T1 to the microphone input of the cassette recorder.

# RING DETECTOR



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Fig. 102-24

## RING DETECTOR (Cont.)

This circuit detects the 20 Hz,  $\approx 86$ -V rms ring signal on telephone lines and initiates action in an electrically isolated circuit. Typical applications would include automatic answering equipment, and interconnect/interface and key systems. The circuits illustrated are *bare bones* circuits designed to illustrate concepts. They might not eliminate the ac/dc ring differentiation, 60-Hz noise rejection, dial tap rejection, and other effects that must be considered in field application. The first ring detector is the simplest and provides about 1-mA signal for a 7-mA line loading for  $1/10$  sec after the start of the ring signal. The time delay capacitor provides a degree of dial tap and click suppression, as well as filtering out the zero crossing of the 20-Hz wave. This circuit provides the basis for a simple example, a ring extender that operates lamps and buzzers from the 120-V, 60-Hz power line, while maintaining positive isolation between the telephone line and the power line. Use of the isolated tab triac simplifies heat sinking by removing the constraint of isolating the triac heatsink from the chassis. Lower line current loading is required in many ring detector applications. This can be provided by using the H11BX522 photo-Darlington optocoupler, which is specified to provide a 1-mA output from a 0.5-mA input through the  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+50^{\circ}\text{C}$  temperature range.

The next circuit allows ring detection down to a 40-V rms ring signal while providing 60-Hz rejection to about 20-V rms. Zero-crossing filtering can be accomplished either at the input bridge rectifier or at the output. Dependable ring detection demands that the circuit responds only to ring signals, rejecting spurious noise of similar amplitude, such as dialing transients. The configuration shown relies on the fact that ring signals are composed of continuous frequency bursts, whereas dialing transients are much lower in repetition rate. The dc bridge-filter combination at the H11L input has a time constant; it cannot react to widely spaced dialing transients, but will detect the presence of relatively long duration bursts, causing the H11L to activate the downstream interconnect circuits at a precisely defined threshold.

## WIRELESS TELEPHONE EAVESDROPPER

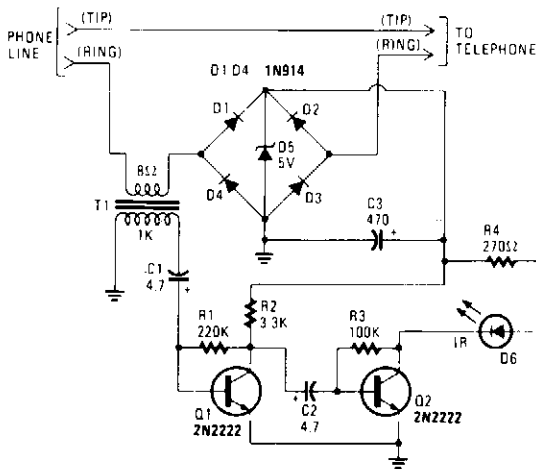
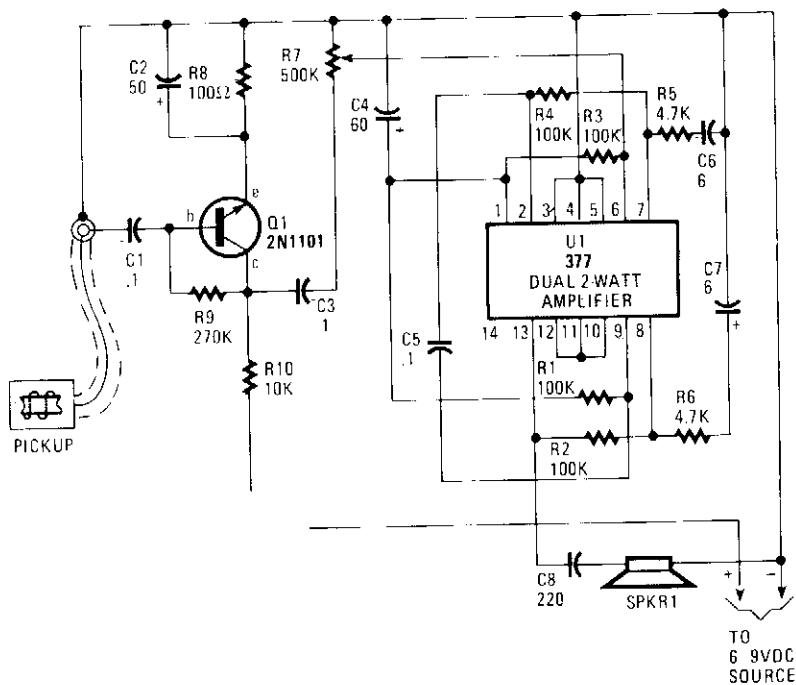


Fig. 102-25

The IR transmitter connects to a telephone circuit, and transmits both sides of all telephone conversations to any line-of-sight location, within 40 feet. No power is taken from the central office, as long as all phones remain on-hook. The current flows through the phone and back to the central office, thereby keying their equipment. We tap into the telephone line by connecting the IR transmitter circuit in series with either the tip or ring. When the telephone is off-hook, current will flow through the diode bridge polarity protector and supply the power for the IR transmitter. The phone's audio information is taken off the line by transformer T1. The 1000- $\Omega$  winding of the transformer connects to a two-stage transistor audio amplifier/modulator. A 2000- $\Omega$  potentiometer could be added to the input of the two-stage amplifier to control the modulation level, and another potentiometer could be added in place of R3 to adjust the IR's idle current.

## TELEPHONE AMPLIFIER



TAB BOOKS

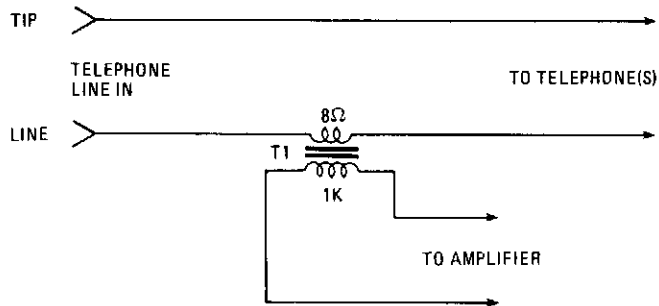
**Fig. 102-26**

Audio from the telephone is inductively coupled to the base of Q1, which is used as a preamp. The preamp provides a gain of about 75 dB, to boost the input signal from about 4 mV to about 300 mV pk-pk. If you use a higher gain transistor, increase the value of R9 to produce a Q point, measured from minus to the collector of Q1, of one-half the supply voltage. The Q1 output signal is coupled through C3 to R7, which serves as a volume or drive-level control, to U1, a dual, 2 w amplifier connected in cascade. Pins 1 through 7 serve as a driver for the final amplifier, pins 8 through 13. Compensation and balance is accomplished by components R1 through R6 and C4, C6, and C7. Pins 3 through 5, and 10 through 12 should be tied to the negative supply rail.



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## TELEPHONE TAP



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Fig. 102-27

Amplify or record a telephone call with the simple circuit shown. The 8-Ω secondary winding of a miniature transistor output transformer is connected in series with either of the telephone lines. The 1000-Ω primary winding can feed either a cassette recorder or an audio amplifier.

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## Temperature Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Zero-Point Switching Temperature Control  
Servo-Sensed Heater Protector  
Temperature Controller  
Proportional Temperature Controller  
Piezoelectric Fan-Based Temperature Controller  
Electronic Heat Sniffer

## ZERO-POINT SWITCHING TEMPERATURE CONTROL

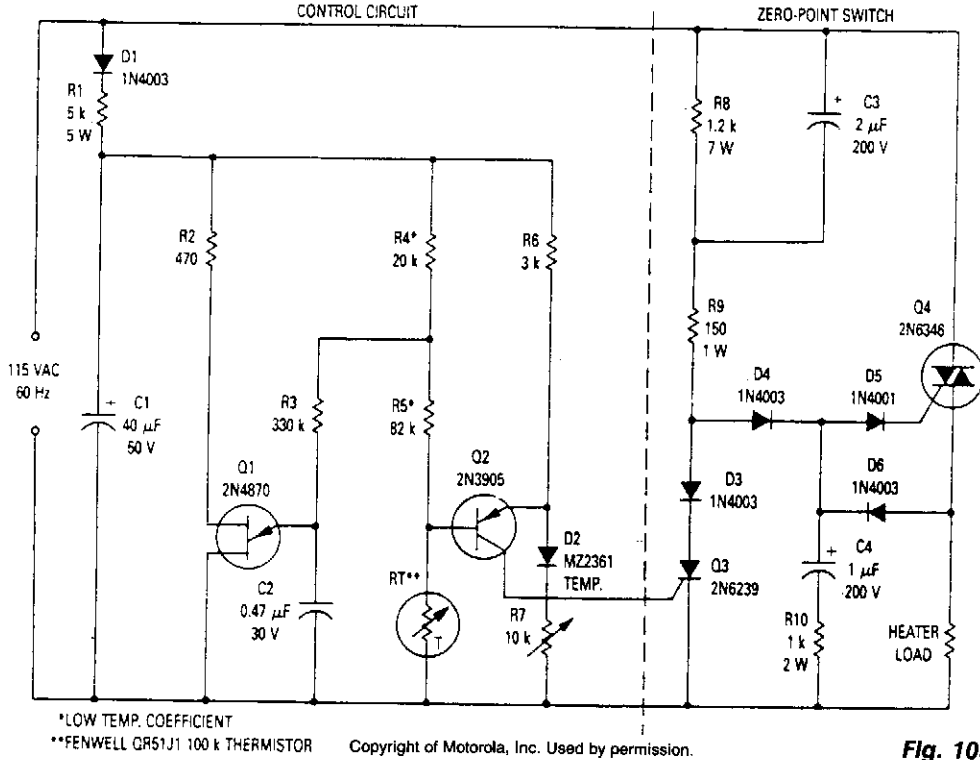
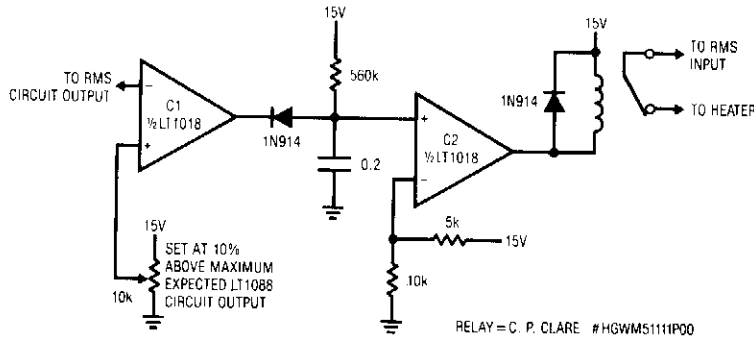


Fig. 103-1

This modulated triac zero-point switching circuit controls heater loads operating from 115 Vac. Circuit operation is best described by splitting the circuit into two parts. The circuit at right is the zero-point switch; to the left is the proportional control for the zero-point switch.

## SERVO-SENSED HEATER PROTECTOR



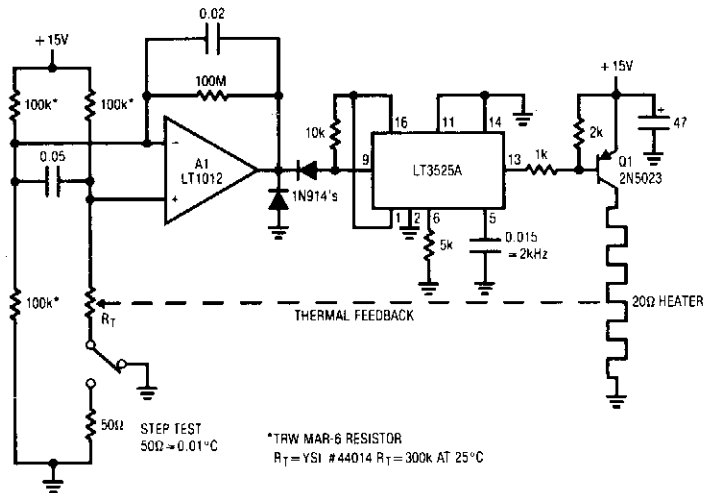
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Fig. 103-2

## SERVO-SENSED HEATER PROTECTOR (Cont.)

This circuit responds quickly enough to prevent damage from most overloads. C1's input is connected to the output of the LT1088 servo circuit. If the LT1088 circuit's output exceeds the threshold at C1's other input, C1 trips, discharging the 2- $\mu$ F capacitor. This causes C2's output to become low, energize the relay, and break the heater circuit. The 560-K $\Omega$  resistor provides a long recharge for the capacitor, preventing chattering action. This arrangement's speed of response is limited by the rms circuit's slew rate, about 0.2 V/ms. For reasonable overloads, the LT1088's temperature increases about 1°C/ms. A 10-V LT1088 output step takes 50 ms, causing a temperature rise of about 50°C.

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

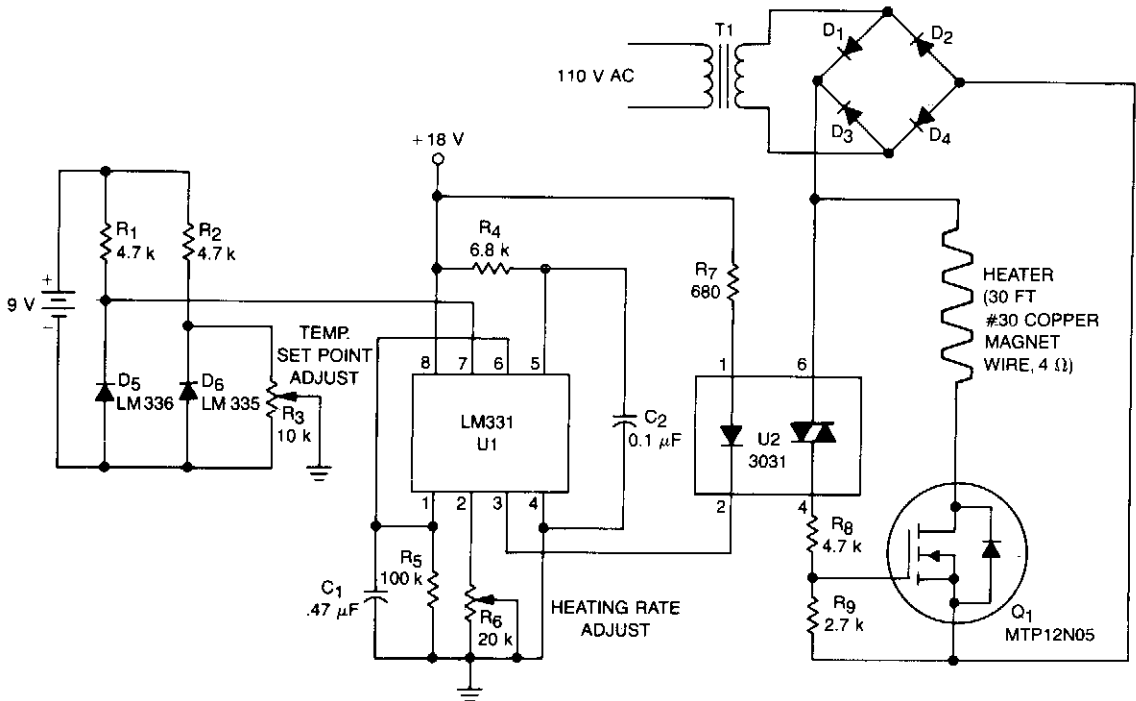


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Fig. 103-3

When power is applied, the thermistor, a negative  $tc$  device, is at a high value. A1 saturates positive. This forces the LT3525A switching regulator's output low, biasing Q1. As the heater warms, the thermistor's value decreases. When its inputs finally balance, A1 comes out of saturation and the LT3525A pulse-width modulates the heater via Q1, completing a feedback path. A1 provides gain and the LT3525A is highly efficient. The 2-kHz, pulse-width modulated heater power is much faster than the thermal loop's response, and the oven sees an even, continuous heat flow.

## PROPORTIONAL TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



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**Fig. 103-4**

This temperature controller operates as a *pulse snatching* device, which allows it to run at its own speed and turn on at the zero crossing of the line frequency. Zero crossing turn-on reduces the generation of line noise transients. TMOS Power FET, Q1, is used to turn on a heater.

Temperature sensor D6 provides a dc voltage proportional to temperature that is applied to voltage-to-frequency converter U1. Output from U1 is a pulse train proportional to temperature offset that is applied to the input of triac optoisolator U2. The anode supply for the triac is a 28 V pk-pk, full-wave rectified sine wave. The optoisolator ORs the pulse train from U1 with the zero crossing of U2's anode supply, supplying a gate turn on signal for Q1. Therefore, TMOS power FET Q1 can only turn the heater on at the zero crossing of the applied sine wave. The maximum temperature, limited by the sensor and the insulation of the wire, is 130°C for the components shown.



## ELECTRONIC HEAT SNIFFER (Cont.)

Sensing element Q1 is a 2N3904 general-purpose npn transistor, although any general-purpose npn unit in a TO-92 style case will do. IC1, an LM334, supplies Q1 with a constant current that is independent of temperature. An LM324 quad op amp, IC2, forms a high input-impedance differential amplifier (IC2a, IC2b, and IC2c) with a gain of about 99. IC2d is used as a voltage comparator. When Q1 senses a rise or fall in temperature, the base-to-emitter voltage decreases. That decrease in voltage causes the input to IC2a at pin 3 to deviate from the reference voltage that's fed to IC2b at pin 5, which is set by potentiometers R5. The difference between the input and the reference is amplified by IC2c. That amplified voltage is fed to IC2d where it is compared to a control voltage set by potentiometer R13. The setting of R13 determines the threshold and is set at a point that's equal to the ambient temperature. The output of IC2d at pin 14 is fed to the base of transistor Q2. When the output of IC2d is high, LED1 lights and Q2 turns on. With Q2 turned on, a ground path through the transistor is provided for buzzer PB1.

The circuit can be built on perforated construction board using point-to-point wiring. All components, except Q1, are mounted on the board. Transistor Q1 is mounted at the tip of the heat-sensing probe.

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## Temperature Sensors

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Thermocouple Multiplex System  
0–63°C Temperature Sensor  
Isolated Temperature Sensor





## O - 63°C TEMPERATURE SENSOR

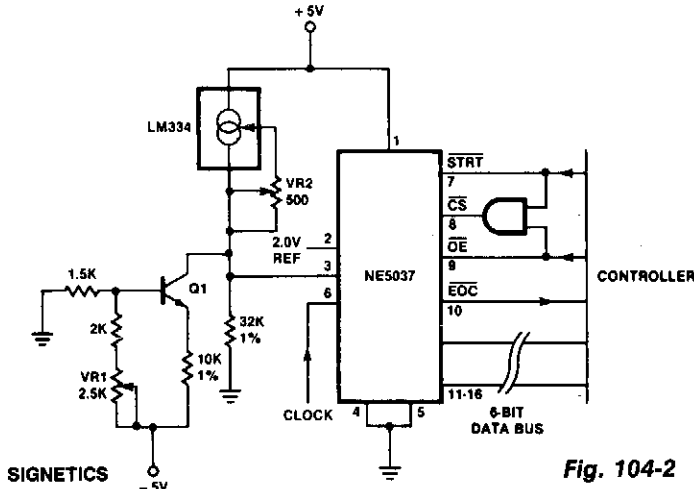


Fig. 104-2

The temperature sensor provides an input to pin 3 of the NE5037 of 32 mV/°C. This 32 mV is the value of one LSB for the NE5037. The LM334 is a three-terminal temperature sensor and provides a current of 1  $\mu$ A for each degree Kelvin. The 32-K $\Omega$  resistor provides the 32 mV for each microamp through it, while the transistor bleeds off 273  $\mu$ A of the temperature sensor (LM334) current. This bleeding lowers the reading by 273 K, thus converting from Kelvin to Celsius. To read temperature, conversion is started by sending a momentary low signal to pin 7 of the NE5037. When pin 10 of the NE5037 becomes low, conversion is complete and a low is applied to pin 9 of the NE5037 to read data on pins 11 and through 16. Note that this temperature data is in straight binary format. The controller can be a microprocessor in a temperature control application, or discrete circuitry in a simple temperature reporting application.

## ISOLATED TEMPERATURE SENSOR

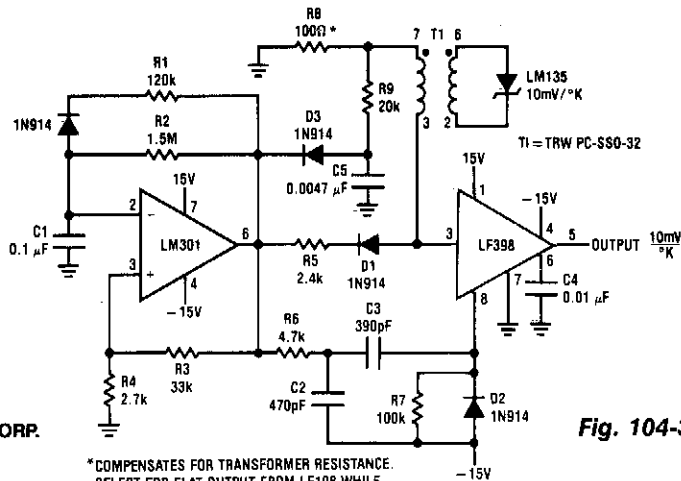


Fig. 104-3

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\* COMPENSATES FOR TRANSFORMER RESISTANCE.  
SELECT FOR FLAT OUTPUT FROM LF198 WHILE  
IN SAMPLE MODE.

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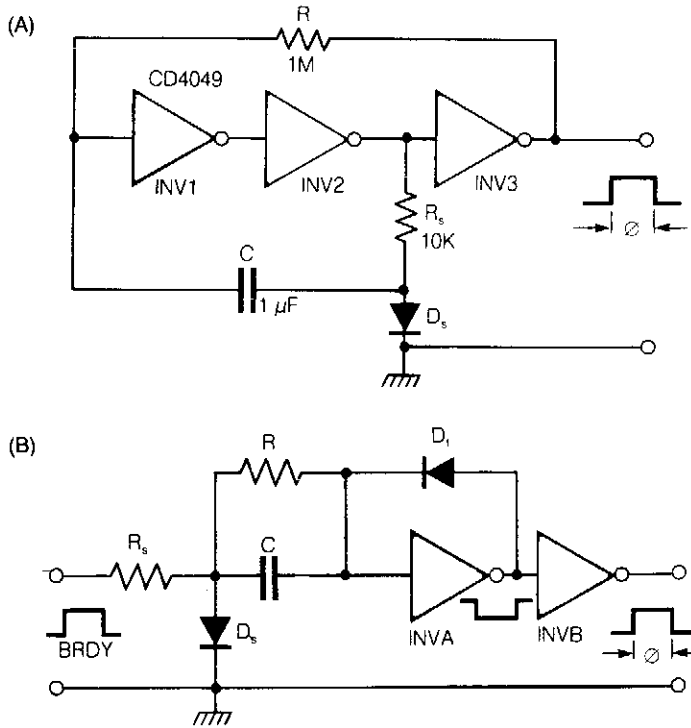
## Temperature-to-Time Converters

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Two Simple Temperature-to-Time Converters

## TWO SIMPLE TEMPERATURE-TO-TIME CONVERTERS



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Fig. 105-1

Both of these converters use CMOS inverters. Figure 105-1A shows a free-running circuit having both the pulse duration and pulse pause dependent on temperature of the diode  $D_s$ . It can be used where a synchronization between the converter and something else is not required.

Figure 105-1B shows a one shot circuit that produces a pulse with its duration dependent of temperature of diode  $D_s$ . The additional diode  $D_f$  should have inverse current low enough to not influence the discharging process in the network  $rc$  when the INVA output is low. A silicon component or a GaAsP LED can be used.

The converter is intended for a digital system producing a RADY pulse which disappears after the conversion process is ended. The pulse duration is approximately:

$$= 2RC \frac{V_D}{V_{DD}}$$

where  $V_D$  is the sensor diode forward voltage and  $V_{DD}$  is the supply voltage of the CMOS chip.

Resistance  $R$  must be much higher than  $R_s$ . A 0.1-μF capacitor can be applied in parallel with  $D_s$ , if necessary, to repulse stray pickup and noise in a long cable. The circuits described can be used with a temperature sensitive resistor instead of the diode  $D_s$ .

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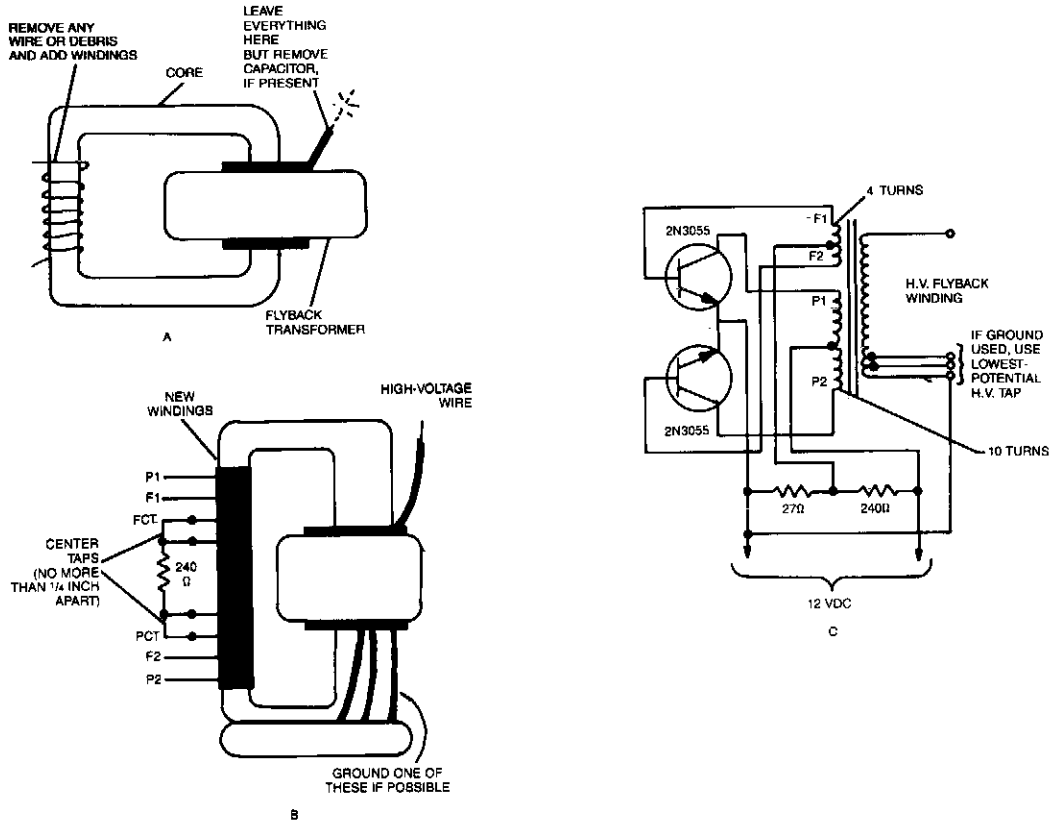
## Tesla Coils

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Simple Tesla Coil  
Tesla Coil

## SIMPLE TESLA COIL



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**Fig. 106-1**

The Tesla coil described here can generate 25,000 V. So, even though the output current is low, be **very careful!** The main component is a flyback transformer from a discarded TV.

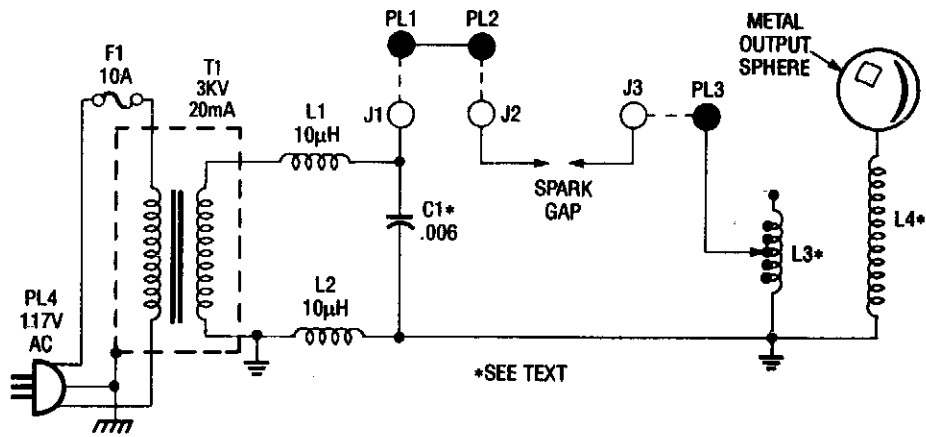
A new primary winding is needed. Begin by winding 5 turns of #18 wire on the core. Then, twist a loop in the wire, and finish by winding five more turns. Wrap with electrical tape, but leave the loop exposed.

A four-turn winding must be wound over the ten-turn winding that you've just finished. That is done the same way. First wind two turns of # 18 wire, then make a loop, and finish by winding two more turns. Again, wrap the new winding with electrical tape, leaving the loop exposed.

When the windings are finished, the two loops shouldn't be more than 1/4-inch apart, but take care that they do not touch. Connect a 240-Ω resistor between the two loops. The modified transformer now should look like the one shown. Connect the transformer as shown. The 27-Ω resistor and two transistors should be mounted on a heatsink and must be insulated from it.

The output of the high-voltage winding should begin to oscillate as soon as the circuit is connected to a 12-Vdc power supply. If it does not, reverse the connections to the base leads of the transistors. In normal operation, you should be able to draw 1-inch sparks from the high-voltage lead using an insulated screw-driver.

## TESLA COIL



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Fig. 106-2

Power is fed to transformer T1, a small neon-sign transformer, which steps the voltage up to about 3000 Vac. The stepped-up output of T1 is fed through L1 and L2 and across C1, causing the capacitor to charge until enough power is stored in the unit to produce an arc across the spark gap. The spark gap, which momentarily connects C1 and L3 in parallel, determines the amount of current transferred between C1 and L3.

The arcing across the spark gap sends a series of high-voltage pulses through L3, giving a sort of oscillated effect. The energy fed through L3 is transferred to L4 via the magnetic coupling between the two coils. Because of the turn ratio that exists between L3 and L4, an even higher voltage is produced across L4. Coil L4 steps up the voltage, which collects on the top-capacitance sphere. There, it causes an avalanche breakdown of the surrounding air, giving off a luminous discharge.

The rotary spark gap is a simple add-on circuit for the Tesla Coil, consisting of a variable dc power supply and a small, 5000-rpm, dc motor. The circuit allows you to vary the output of the Tesla coil by adjusting the rotating speed of the motor. A rotary gap is far more efficient than a stationary gap, because the stationary gap could cut-out and require readjustment.

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## Thermometer Circuits

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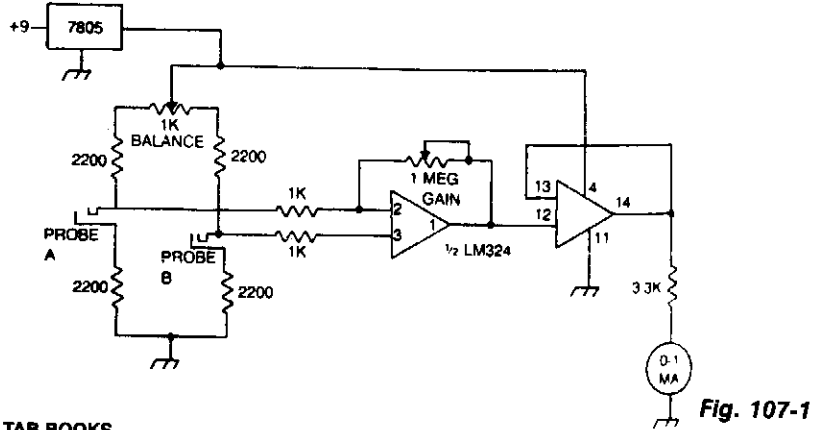
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Differential Thermometer  
Temperature-Reporting Digital Thermometer  
Electronic Thermometer  
Temperature Measuring Add-On for DMM  
Digital Voltmeter

Implantable Ingestible Electronic  
Thermometer  
Simple Linear Thermometer  
Thermometer Adapter



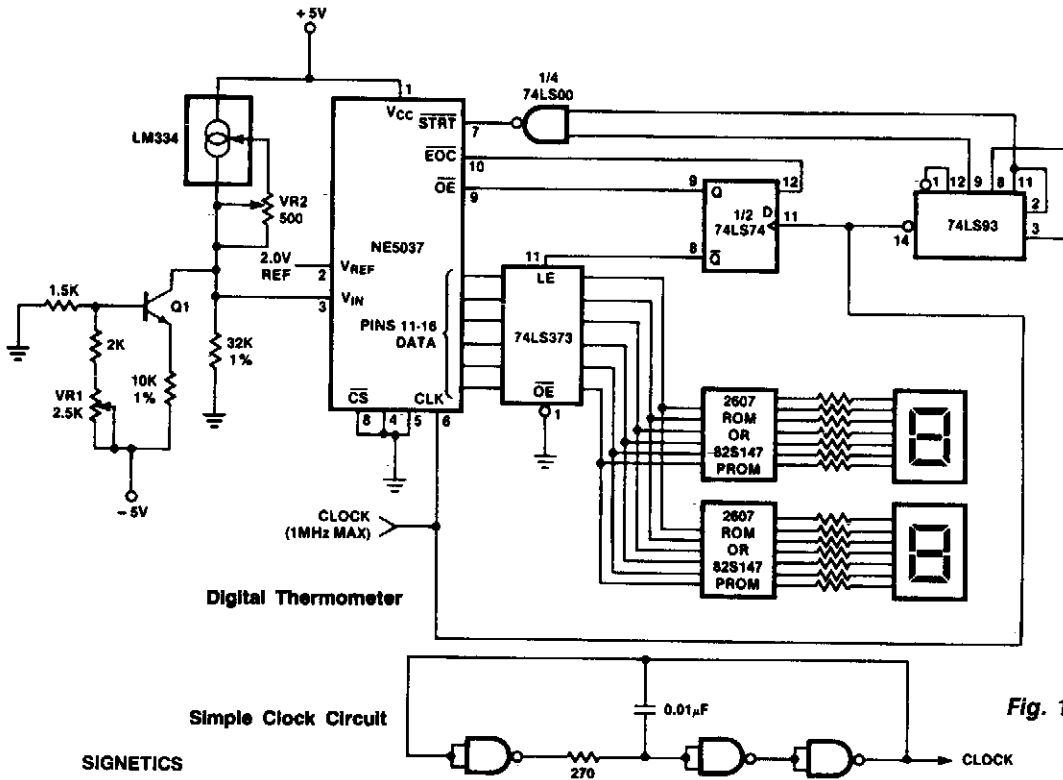
## DIFFERENTIAL THERMOMETER



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The differential thermometer uses two probes and shows the temperature difference between them, rather than the exact temperature. The thermometer uses a conventional meter as an indicator, and it covers a total range of 20° - 10°low to 10°high.

## TEMPERATURE-REPORTING DIGITAL THERMOMETER

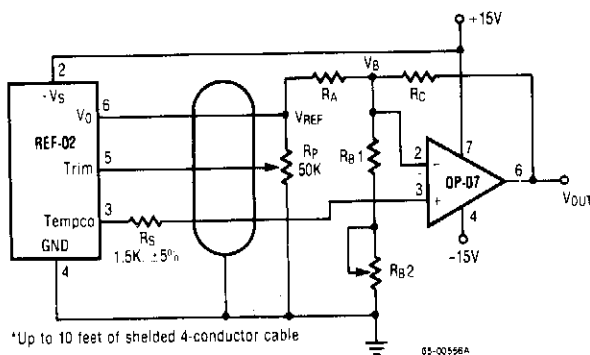


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## TEMPERATURE-REPORTING DIGITAL THERMOMETER (Cont.)

The ROMs or PROMs must have the correct code for converting the data from the NE5037—used as address for the ROMs or PROMs—to the appropriate segment driver codes. The displayed amount could easily be converted to degrees Fahrenheit, °F, by the controller of (0–63° temperature sensor) or through the (P) ROMs. When doing this, a third (hundreds) digit (P)ROM and display will be needed for displaying temperatures above 99°F. An expensive clock can be made from NAND gates or inverters as shown.

### ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER



| Resistor Values      |                  |                 |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| TCVOUT Slope(s)      | 10mV/°C          | 100mV/°C        | 10mV/°F          |
| Temperature Range    | -55°C to +125°C  | -55°C to +125°C | -65°F to +257°F  |
| Output Voltage Range | -0.55V to +1.25V | -5.5V to +12.5V | -0.67V to +2.57V |
| Zero Scale           | 0V at 0°C        | 0V at 0°C       | 0V at 0°F        |
| RA (±1% Resistor)    | 9.09KΩ           | 15KΩ            | 8.25KΩ           |
| RB1 (±1% Resistor)   | 1.5KΩ            | 1.62KΩ          | 1.0KΩ            |
| RB2 (Potentiometer)  | 200Ω             | 500Ω            | 200Ω             |
| RC (±1% Resistor)    | 5.11KΩ           | 84.5KΩ          | 7.5KΩ            |

**Fig. 107-3**

\*Up to 10 feet of shielded 4-conductor cable

$$TCV_{OUT} = (2.1mV/°C) \left(1 - \frac{R_C}{R_A - R_B}\right)$$

$$V_0 \left( H \frac{R_C}{R_A - R_B} \right) V_{Tempco} - \left( \frac{R_C}{R_A} \right) (V_0)$$

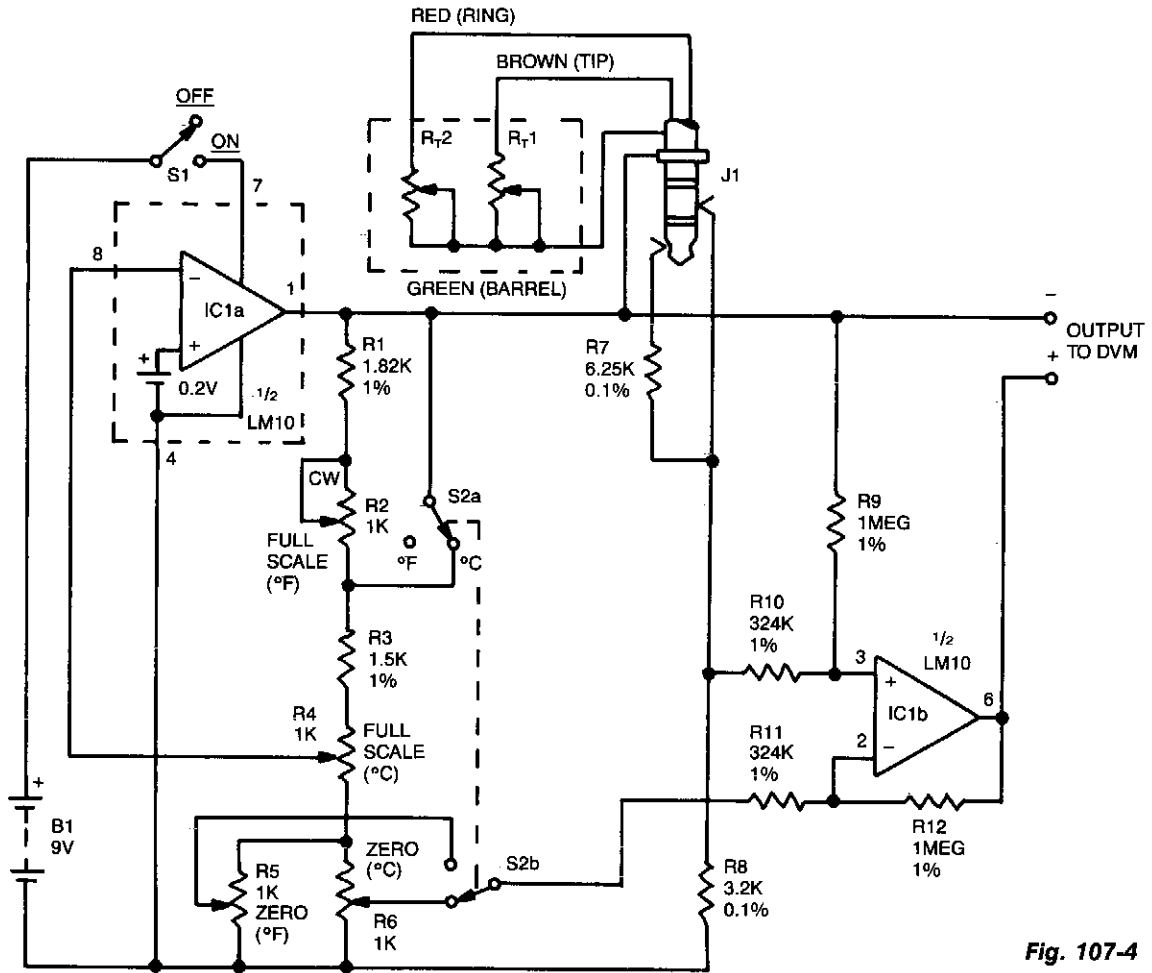
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This circuit uses the +5 V reference output and the op amp to level shift and amplify the 2.1 mV/°C Tempco output into a voltage signal dependent on the ambient temperature. Different scaling can be obtained by selecting appropriate resistors from the table giving output slopes calibrated in degrees Celsius or degrees Fahrenheit. To calibrate, first measure the voltage on the Tempco pin,  $V_{TEMPCO}$ , and the ambient room temperature,  $T_A$  in °C. Put those values into the following equation:

$$\frac{V_{TEMPCO} \text{ (in mV)}}{(S) (T_A + 273)}$$

Where  $S$  = Scale factor for your circuit selected from the table in mV. Then turn the circuit power off, short  $V_{OUT}$  at pin 6 of the REF-02 to ground, and while applying exactly 100.00 mV to the op amp output, adjust  $R_{B2}$  to that  $V_B = (X) (100 \text{ mV})$ . Now remove the short and the 100-mV source, reapply circuit power and adjust  $R_P$  so that the op-amp output voltage equals  $(T_A) (S)$ . The system is now exactly calibrated.

## TEMPERATURE MEASURING ADD-ON FOR DMM DIGITAL VOLTMETER



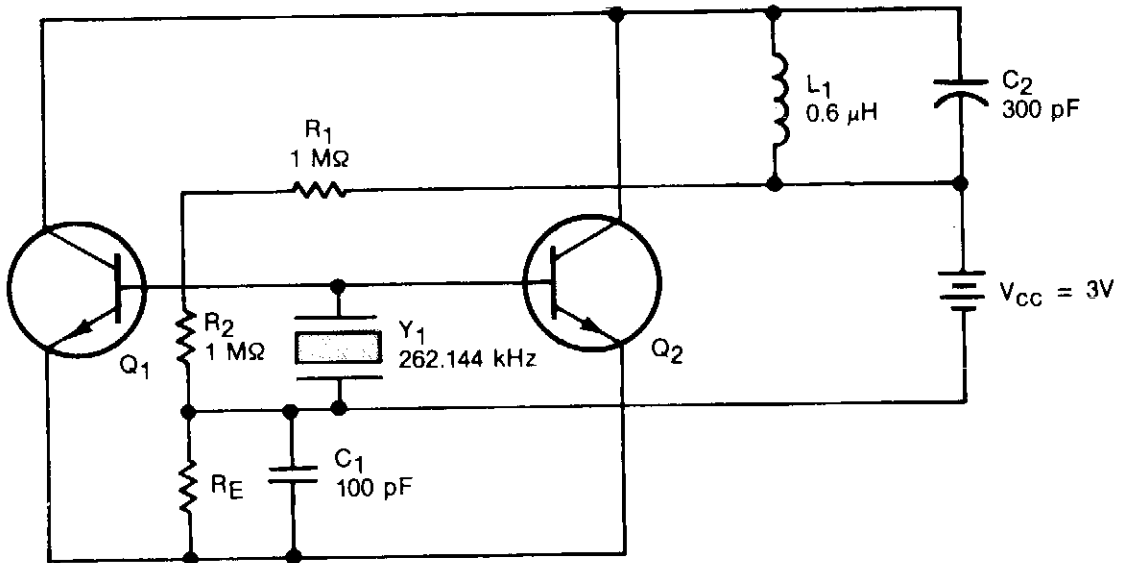
**Fig. 107-4**

The DVM-to-temperature adapter is built around a single IC, National's LM10. That micropower IC contains a stable 0.2 V reference, a reference amplifier and a general-purpose op amp. The circuit is designed for a linear temperature range of 0 to 100°C (32 to 212°F). The 0.2-V reference and reference amplifier provide a stable, fixed-excitation voltage to the Wheatstone bridge. The voltage is determined by a feedback network consisting of R1 through R6. Switch S2a configures the feedback to increase the voltage from 0.6 V on the Celsius range to 1.08 V on the Fahrenheit range. These differences compensate for the fact that one degree Fahrenheit produces a smaller resistance change than does one degree Celsius.

Resistors R1 through R16 also form the fixed leg of the Wheatstone bridge, nulling the bridge output at zero degrees. Since 0°C is different from 0°F, S2b is used to select the appropriate offset.

The LM10's op amp, along with R9 through R12, form a differential amplifier that boosts the bridge output to 10 mV per degree. Since a single supply is used, and since the output must be able to swing both positive and negative, the output is referenced to the bridge supply voltage, rather than to the common supply.

## IMPLANTABLE INGESTIBLE ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER



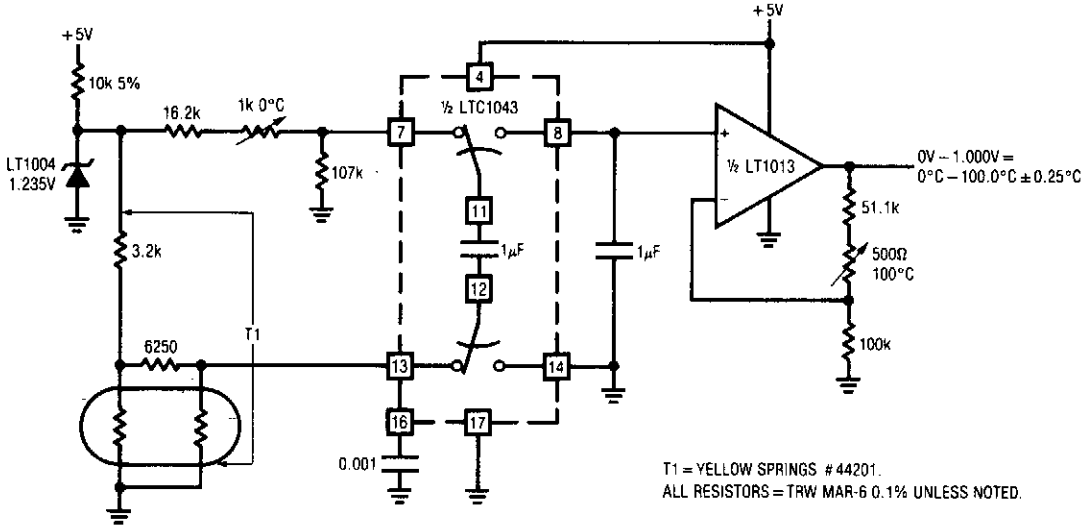
- NOTES: 1.  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are MAT-02 bipolar npn transistors.  
2.  $R_E = 20$  to  $40 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

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Fig. 107-5

This oscillator circuit includes a quartz crystal that has a nominal resonant frequency of 262,144 Hz and is cut in the orientation that gives a large linear coefficient of frequency variation with the temperature. In this type of circuit, the oscillation frequency is controlled primarily by the crystal—as long as the gain-bandwidth product is at least four times the frequency. In this case, the chosen component values yield a gain-bandwidth product of 1 MHz. Inductor  $L_1$  can be made very small: 100 to 200 turns with a diameter of 0.18 in. (4.8 mm) and a length of 0.5 in. (12.7 mm). Although the figure shows two transistors in parallel, one could be used to reduce power consumption or three could be used to boost the output. The general oscillator circuit can be used to measure temperatures from  $-10$  to  $+140^\circ\text{C}$ . A unit made for use in the human body from about  $30$  to  $40^\circ\text{C}$  operates at  $262,144 \pm 50 \text{ Hz}$  with a frequency stability of  $0.1 \text{ Hz}$  and a temperature coefficient of  $9 \text{ Hz}/^\circ\text{C}$ .

## SIMPLE LINEAR THERMOMETER

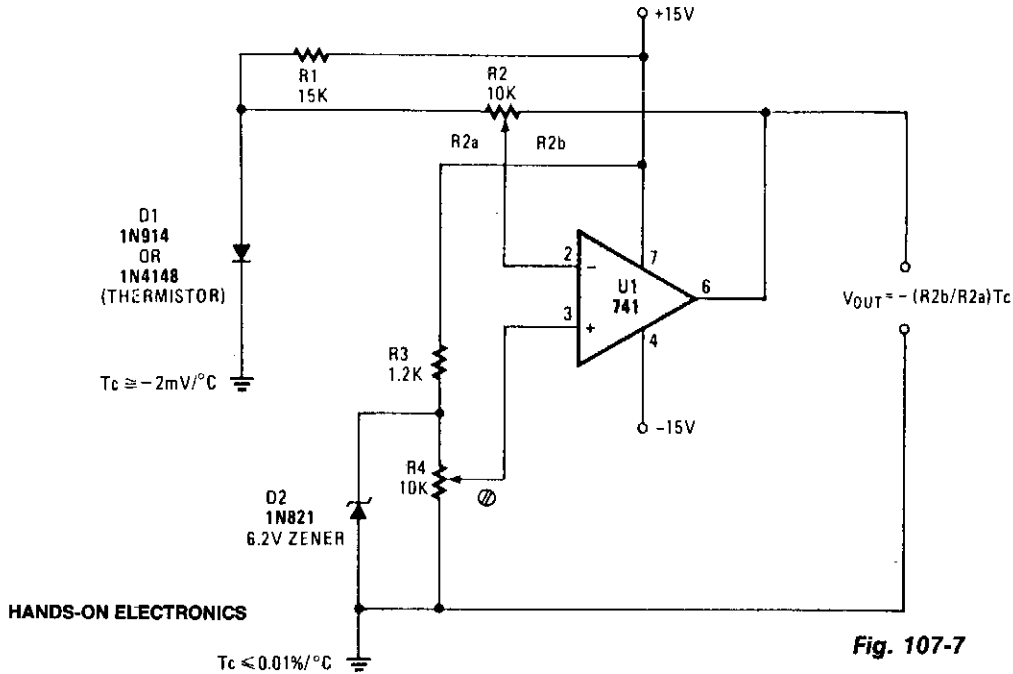


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**Fig. 107-6**

The thermistor network specified eliminates the need for a linearity trim—at the expense of accuracy and operational range.

## THERMOMETER ADAPTER



**Fig. 107-7**

## THERMOMETER ADAPTER (Cont.)

A simple op amp and silicon diode are the heart of the temperature-to-voltage converter that will permit you to use an ordinary voltmeter—either analog or digital—to measure temperature. User adjustments make it possible for a reading of either 10 mV or 100 mV to represent 1°F or C.

Temperature sensor D1 is a 1N4148 silicon diode. It has a temperature coefficient of  $-2 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$ . U1, a 741 op amp, is connected as a differential amplifier. A voltage divider consisting of R3 and Zener diode D2 provides a 6.2 V reference voltage. D2 is shunted by potentiometer R4, so that the offset can be adjusted to align the output voltage with either the Celsius or Fahrenheit scale, as desired.

Gain control R2 is adjusted so the output of the op amp is in the scale or voltage range of the meter being used. R4, the offset adjust control, is then adjusted so the output voltage represents either degrees F or C. The thermometer adapter can be calibrated by adjusting R4 while the probe sensor is at a known temperature.

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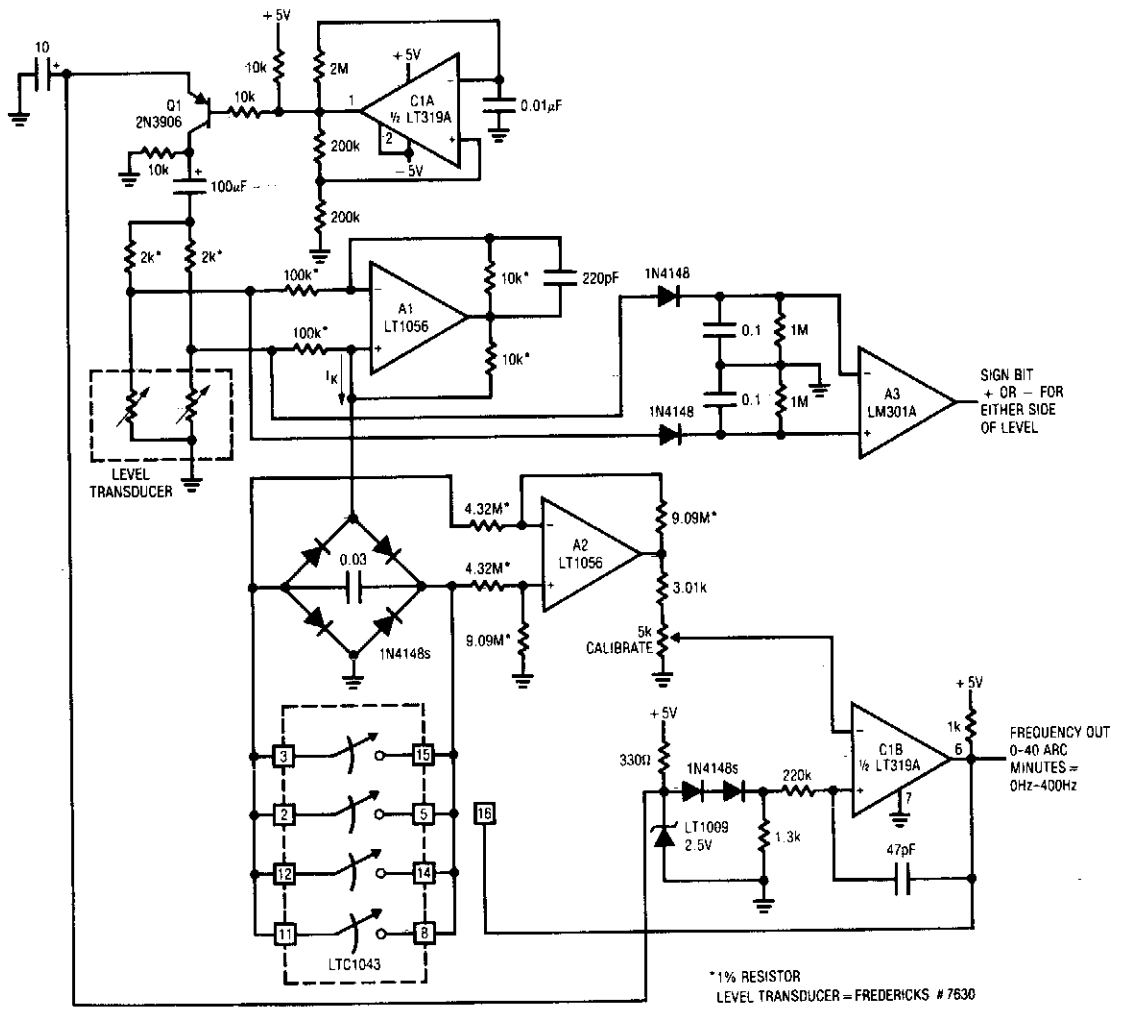
## Tilt Meter

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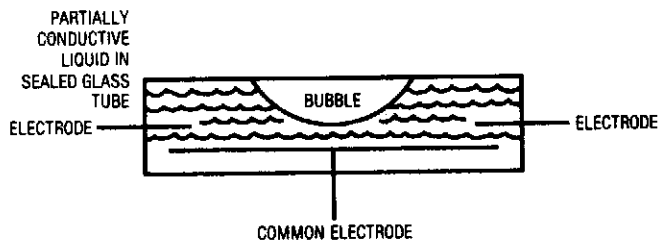
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Digitizer

# DIGITIZER



**Fig. 108-1(a)**



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## Bubble Based Level Transducer

**Fig. 108-1(b)**



## DIGITIZER (Cont.)

If the tube is level with respect to gravity, the bubble resides in the tube's center and the electrode resistances to common are identical. As the tube shifts away from level, the resistances increase and decrease proportionally. Transducers of this type must be excited with an ac waveform to avoid damage to the partially conductive liquid inside the tube.

The level transducer is configured with a pair of  $2\text{-K}\Omega$  resistors to form a bridge. The required ac bridge excitation is developed at C1A, configured as a multivibrator. C1 biases Q1, which switches the LT1009's 2.5-V potential through the  $100\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor to provide the ac bridge drive. The bridge differential output ac signal is converted to a current by A1, operating as a Howland current pump. This current, whose polarity reverses as bridge drive polarity switches, is rectified by the diode bridge. Thus, the  $0.03\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor receives unipolar charge. A2, running at a differential gain of 2, senses the voltage across the capacitor and presents its single-ended output to C1B. When the voltage across the  $0.03\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor becomes high enough, C1B's output becomes high, turning on the paralleled sections of the LTC1043 switch. This discharges the capacitor. The  $47\text{-pF}$  capacitor provides enough ac feedback around C1B to allow a complete zero reset for the capacitor. When the ac feedback ceases, C1B's output decreases and the LTC1043 switch goes off. The  $0.03\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  unit again receives constant current charging and the entire cycle repeats. The frequency of this oscillation is determined by the magnitude of the constant current delivered to the bridge-capacitor configuration. This current's magnitude is determined by the transducer bridge's offset, which is level related.

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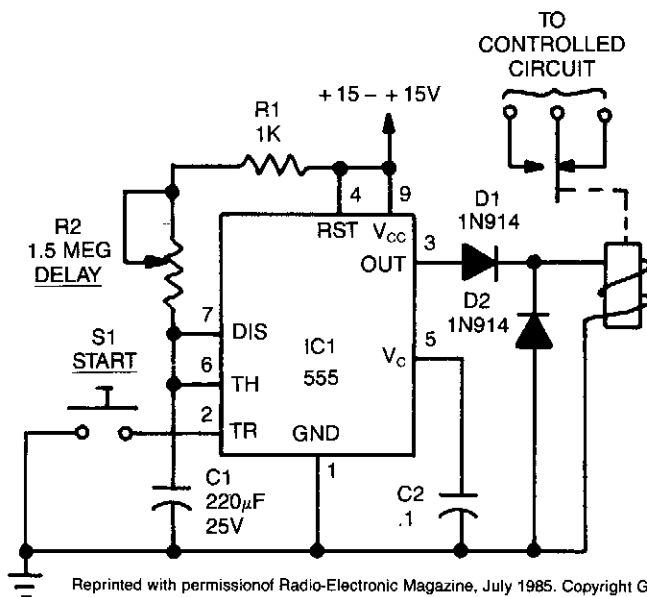
## Time-Delay Circuits

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Electronic Time Delay  
Timing Threshold and Load Driver  
Simple Time Delay

## ELECTRONIC TIME DELAY

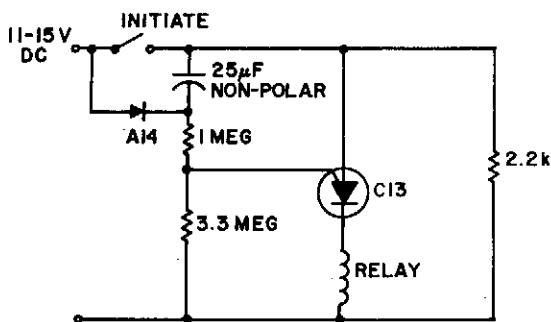


**Fig. 109-1**

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The time delay,  $T$ , in seconds is:  $T = 1.1 \times C1 \times (R1 + R2)$ . The resistances are in megohms and capacitances in microfarads. The sum of  $R1$  and  $R2$  should not be less than  $1000 \Omega$  nor higher than  $20 M\Omega$ . Pressing  $S1$  starts the timing cycle. A low-going pulse, instead of  $S1$  can also be used to initiate the timing cycle. With the values shown and allowing for the tolerances of the  $200\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor, the delay will range from 4 minutes and 50 seconds to 7 minutes and 26 seconds. The output terminal, pin 3, of 555, is normally low and switches high during the timing cycle. The output can either sink or source currents up to 200 mA. Therefore, a load such as a relay coil can be connected between pin 3 and  $V_{CC}$  or between pin 3 and ground, depending on circuit requirements. When the relay is connected between pin 3 and ground, it is normally de-energized so it is energized only during the timing cycle. Connecting the relay to ground will save power and allow the IC to run cool.

## TIMING THRESHOLD AND LOAD DRIVER



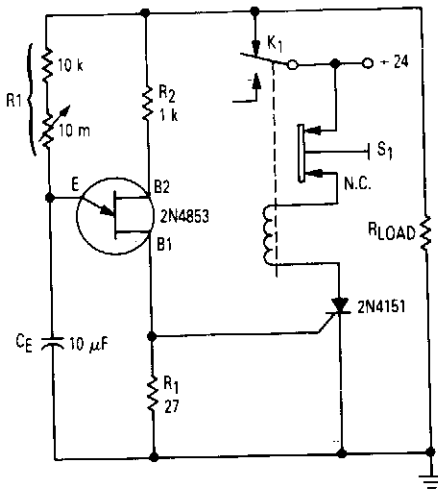
TIME DELAY 40-60 SECS WITH COMPONENTS SHOWN

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**Fig. 109-2**

Power is applied to the circuit with the initiate switch open. The  $25\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor charges through the A14, or equivalent, diode and  $2.2\text{-K}\Omega$  resistor to full supply voltage. When the initiate switch is closed, the low side of the capacitor is suddenly raised to +12 V. This raises the diode side of the capacitor to approximately +24 V. The capacitor immediately begins discharging through the series-connected 1 and  $3.3\text{-M}\Omega$  resistors. Eventually, the C13 gate becomes forward biased, the device turns, and it applies power to the relay. The delay is virtually independent of supply voltage.

## SIMPLE TIME DELAY



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Fig. 109-3

After the first cycle, the relay will normally be energized. When normally closed pushbutton S1 is activated, the SCR turns off, the relay is de-energized, and power is applied to the relaxation oscillator and the load. After a time delay varying from less than a second to approximately 2.5 minutes, as determined by the setting of the 10-MΩ potentiometer, the unijunction will fire and turn on the SCR. The relay will energize until power is removed from the oscillator and the load, and will stay energized until button S1 is pushed again. The UJT trigger output from base 1 directly drives the gate of the SCR. However, where isolation between the UJT trigger or any other type of trigger and the thyristor power circuit is required, then a simple pulse transformer, interfacing the two elements, will suffice.

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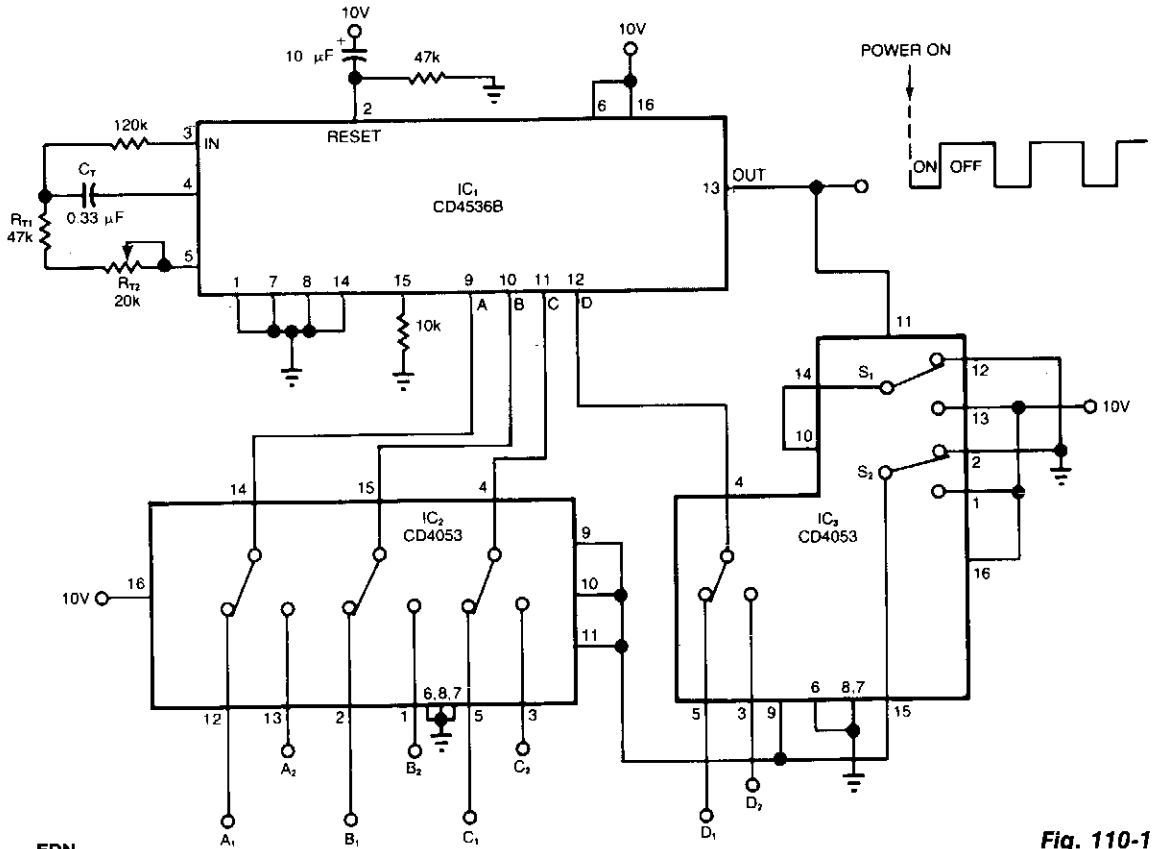
## Timers

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Sequential Timer  
CMOS Precision Programmable  
Laboratory Timer  
Long-Time Timer  
One-Shot Timer  
Three-Minute Timer

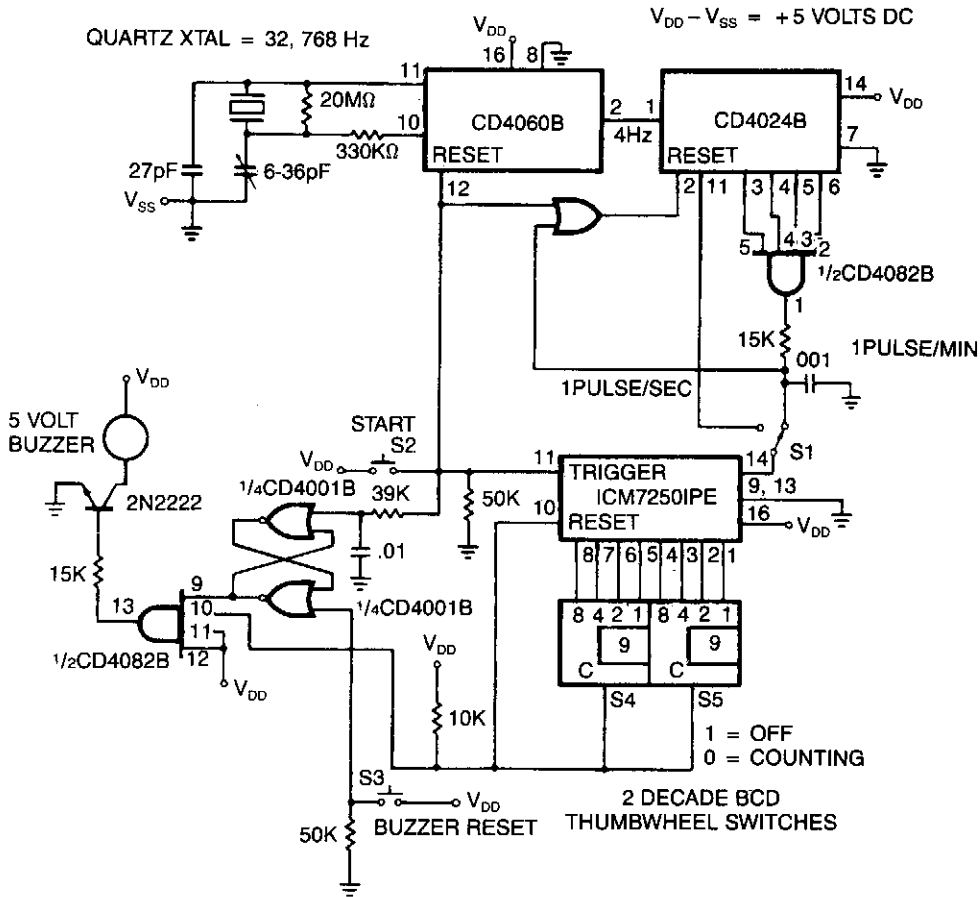
## SEQUENTIAL TIMER



**Fig. 110-1**

The timer circuit shown gives independent control of the output's on and off intervals, which can range from 0.055 seconds to 30 minutes, relatively unaffected by power-line transients. IC1 is a CMOS programmable-timer chip that includes 24 ripple-binary counter stages; the first eight are bypassed when logic 1 is applied to pin 6. Then, a 4-bit input code at pins A, B, C, and D connects one of the 16 remaining stages to the output at pin 13. The chip includes an oscillator whose timing components are  $C_T$ ,  $R_{T1}$ , and  $R_{T2}$ . For this example, you adjust  $R_{T2}$  for an internal period  $T_{IN}$  of 54.9 ms (18.2 Hz). Then, the output on or off interval is:  $T_{OUT} = T_{IN} 2^{N-1}$ , where  $N$  is the number of counter stages in the internal divider chain (See Fig. 110-3). IC2 and IC3 are CMOS triple-spdT analog switches that connect one BCD code ( $A_1 - D_1$ ) for the on interval and another ( $A_2 - D_2$ ) for the off interval. You can apply the codes using manual toggle switches or programmable latches. When power is first applied, the switches are in the positions shown, which applies  $A_1 - D_1$  to IC1 and generates the on interval. When the output changes state, all the switches change position and initiate the off interval by applying  $A_2 - D_2$  to IC1. The cycle then repeats. To eliminate race conditions, switches S1 and S2 of IC3 operate in sequence before the remaining four switches operate in parallel. To start the output sequence with an off instead of an on interval, connect a power-on-set signal at pin 1 instead of the power-on-reset signal at pin 2.

## CMOS PRECISION PROGRAMMABLE LABORATORY TIMER

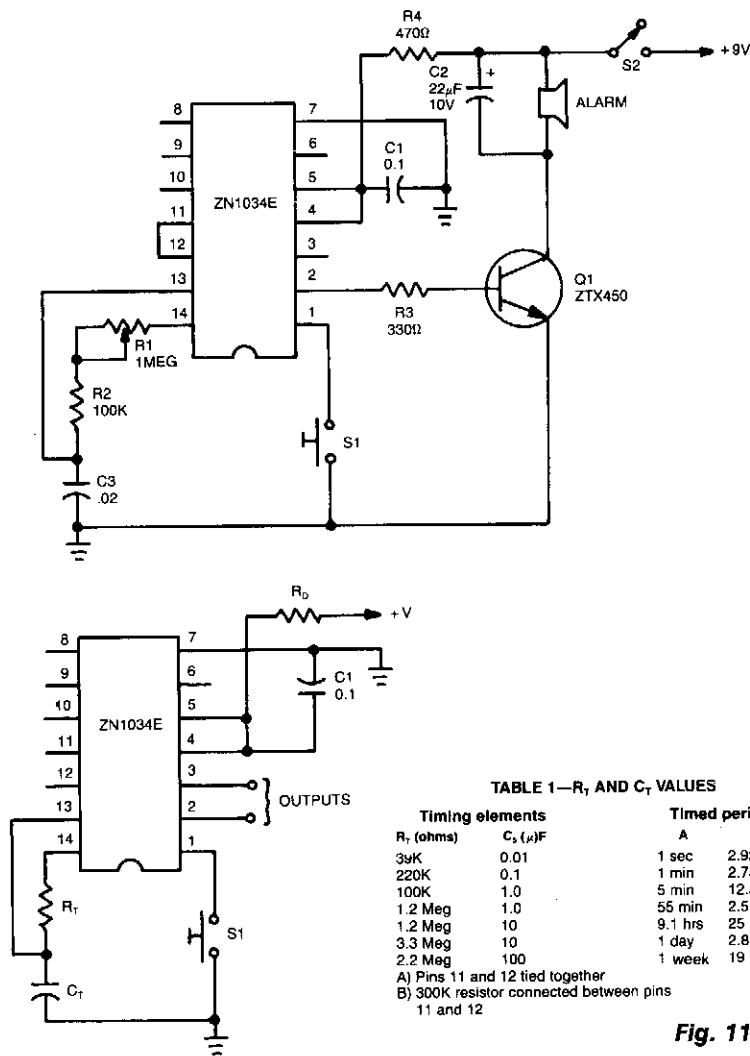


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Fig. 110-2

The time base is first selected with S1 set for seconds or minutes, then units 0–99 are selected on the two thumbwheel switches S4 and S5. Finally, switch S2 is depressed to start the timer. Simultaneously, the quartz crystal-controlled divider circuits are reset, the ICM7250 is triggered and counting begins. The ICM7250 counts until the preprogrammed value is reached, then, the value is reset, pin 10 of the CD4082B is enabled, and the buzzer is turned on. Pressing S3 turns the buzzer off.

## LONG-TIME TIMER



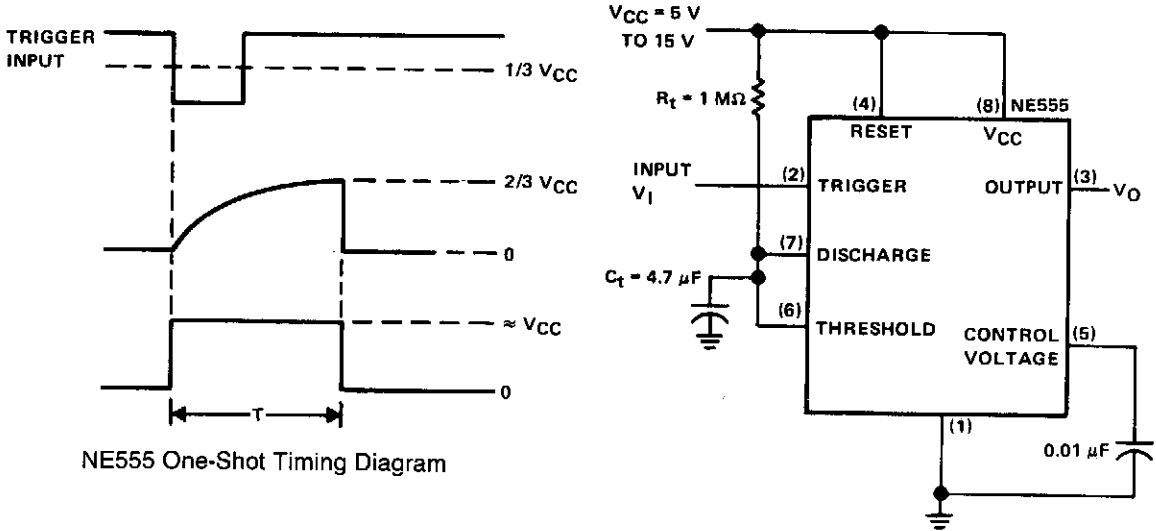
**Fig. 110-3**

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When used as a stand-alone device, ZN1034E from Ferranti can provide timed intervals ranging from 1 second to 19 days, although the rc time constant is only 220 seconds. The ZN1034E includes an internal voltage regulator, an oscillator, and a 12-stage binary counter. The total delay time provided by the counter is 4095 times the oscillator period. The control logic times-out after 4095 cycles of the oscillator, and delivers high and low output pulses at pins 2 and 3. The output at pin 3 is normally high and decreases at the end of the timed interval. The complementary output at pin 2 is normally low and becomes high at the end of the timed interval. The timing period is initiated by momentarily grounding pin 1. Timing resistor  $R_T$  consists of two resistors, R1 and R2, in series. Because R1 has a fixed value of 100 K $\Omega$ , the total range of  $R_T$  is 100 K to 1.1 M $\Omega$ .



## ONE-SHOT TIMER



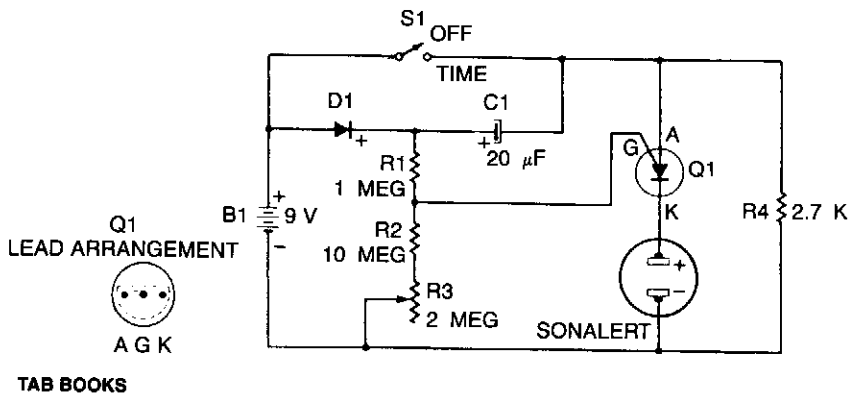
NE555 One-Shot Timing Diagram

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Fig. 110-4

This simple circuit consists of only two timing components  $R_T$  and  $C_T$ , the NE555, and bypass capacitor  $C_2$ . While not essential for operation,  $C_2$  is recommended for noise immunity. During standby, the trigger input terminal is held higher than  $1/3 V_{CC}$  and the output is low. When a trigger pulse appears with a level less than  $1/3 V_{CC}$ , the timer is triggered and the timing cycle starts. The output rises to a high level near  $V_{CC}$ , and at the same time,  $C_T$  begins to charge toward  $V_{CC}$ . When the  $C_T$  voltage crosses  $2/3 V_{CC}$ , the timing period ends with the output falling to zero, and the circuit is ready for another input trigger. Because of the internal latching mechanism, the timer will always time out when triggered, regardless of any subsequent noise, such as bounce, on the trigger input. For this reason, the circuit can also be used as a bounceless switch by using a shorter rc time constant. A 100-K $\Omega$  resistor for  $R_T$  and a 1- $\mu F$  capacitor for  $C_T$  would give a clean, 0.1 s output pulse when used as a bounceless switch.

## THREE-MINUTE TIMER



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Fig. 110-5

### THREE-MINUTE TIMER (Cont.)

When S1 is off, C1 charges to within 0.5 V of the battery voltage through diode D1 and resistor R4. When S1 is closed, the anode of the PUT rises to the positive supply voltage. The PUT does not conduct, because battery voltage appears in series with the charge stored on C1, which raises the gate of the PUT to a level positive with respect to the anode. The timer relies on the discharge of capacitor C1 through resistors R1, R2, R3, and R4. Once C1 is at zero volts, the PUT will turn on battery voltage to the Sonalert and cause it to sound.

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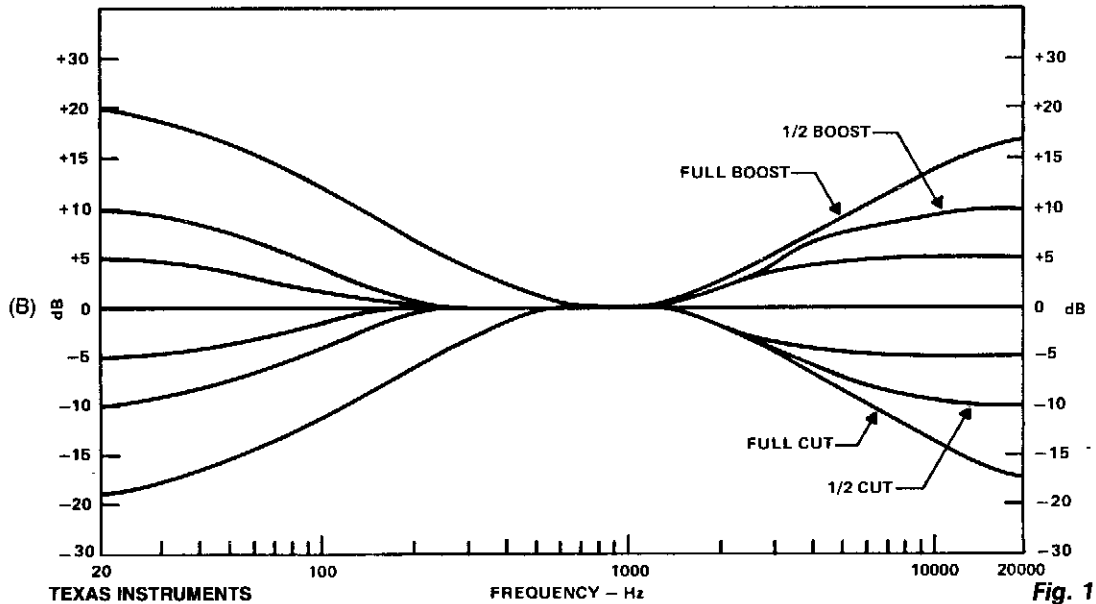
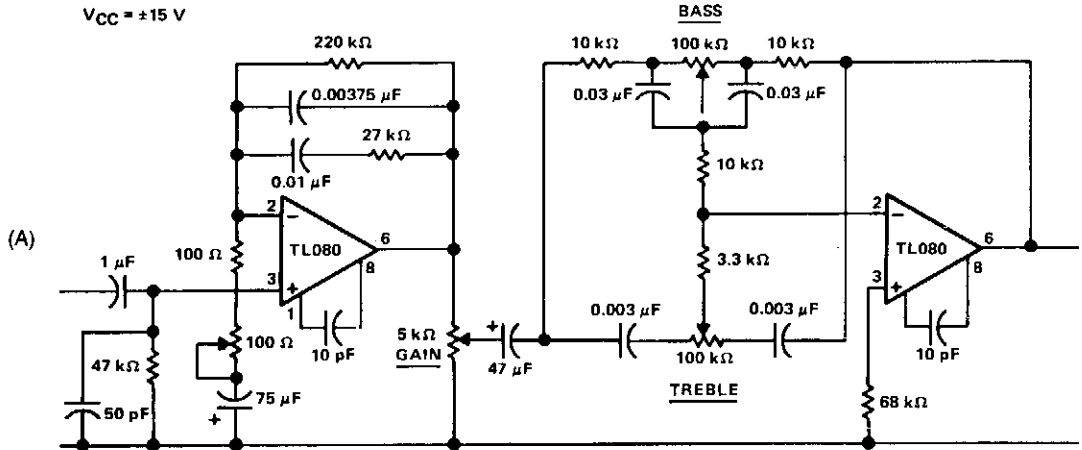
## Tone Control Circuits

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IC Preamplifier/Tone Control  
Ten-Band Octave Equalizer  
Three-Band Active Tone Control  
Wien-Bridge Filters  
Rumble/Scratch Filter

## IC PREAMPLIFIER/TONE CONTROL



The circuit is a form of the so-called "Americanized" version of the Baxandall negative-feedback tone control. At very low frequencies, the reactance of the capacitor is large enough that they might be considered open circuits, and the gain is controlled by the bass potentiometer. At low to middle frequencies, the reactance of the 0.03- $\mu\text{F}$  capacitors decreases at the rate of 6 dB/octave, and is in parallel with the 200-K $\Omega$  potentiometer; so the effective impedance is reduced correspondingly, thereby reducing the gain. This process continues until the 10-K $\Omega$  resistors, which are in series with the bass pot, become dominant and the gain levels off at unity. The action of treble circuit is smaller and becomes effective when the reactance of the 0.003- $\mu\text{F}$  capacitors becomes minimal. This complete tone control is in the negative feedback loop of the TL080. Figure B shows the bass and treble tone control response.

## TEN-BAND OCTAVE EQUALIZER

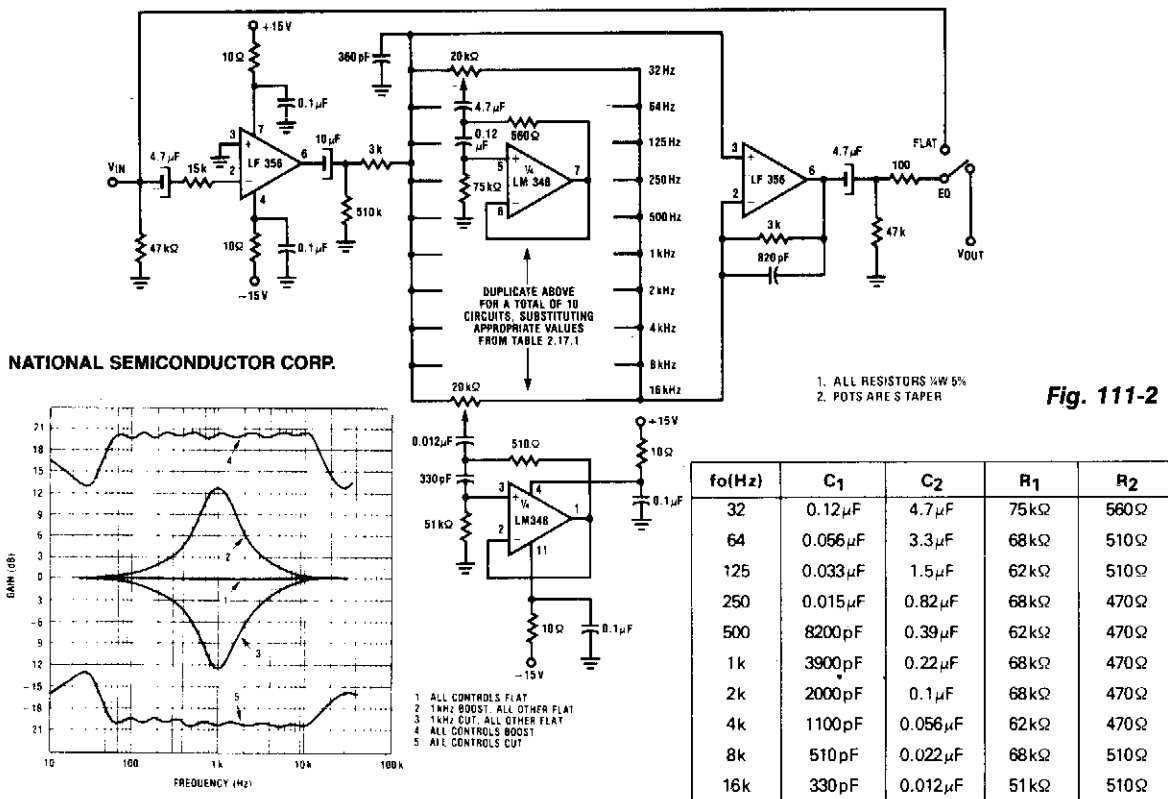
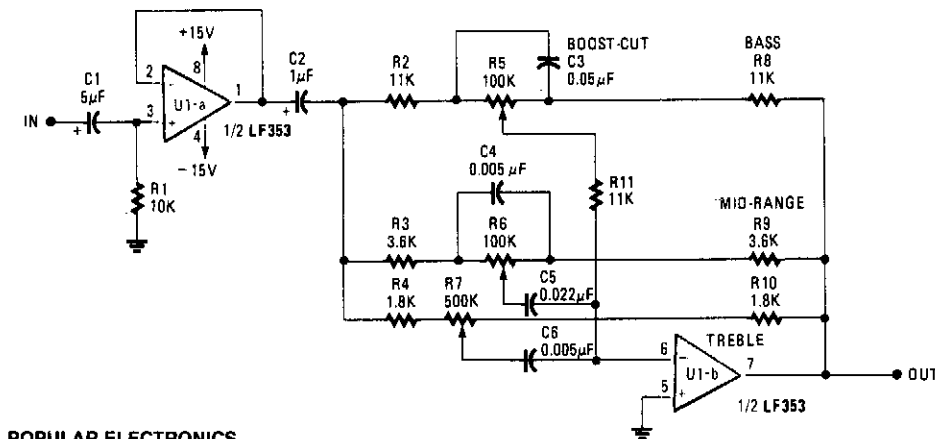


Fig. 111-2

A series of active rf filters using National LM348IC comprises a ten-band graphic equalizer. C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>1</sub>, and R<sub>2</sub> should be at least 10% with 5% preferred tolerances.

## THREE-BAND ACTIVE TONE CONTROL



## WIEN-BRIDGE FILTER

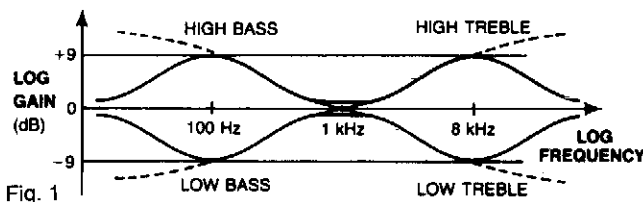


Fig. 1

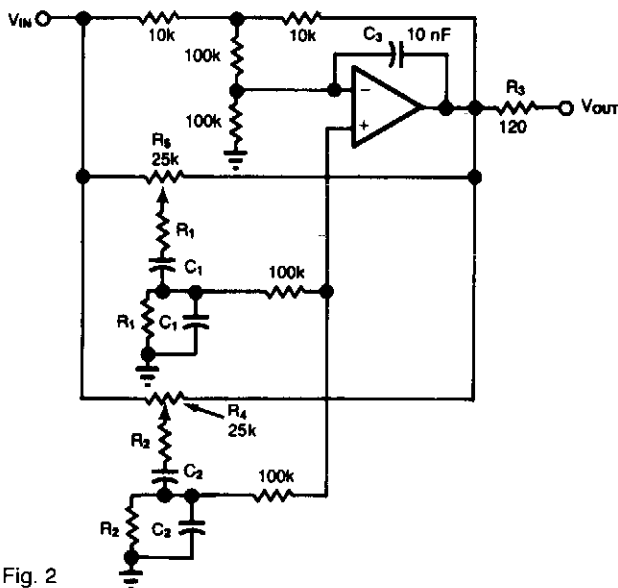


Fig. 2

EDN

Fig. 111-4

Most audio tone controls affect midband gain, and they often create booming or hissing sounds when activated. You can avoid these problems by using a dual Wien-bridge filter to provide independent control of the treble and bass frequencies.

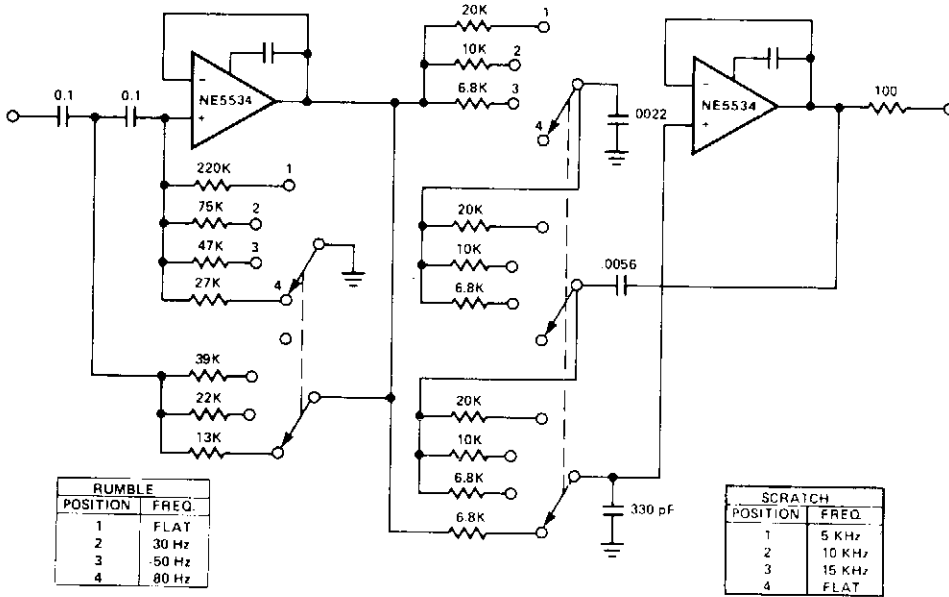
Experiments with equalizers indicate that the optimum center frequencies are about 100 Hz and 8 kHz. Using the relation  $f = (2\pi RC)^{-1}$ , set the Fig. 1 values accordingly:

$$100 \text{ Hz: } R1 = 15 \text{ K}\Omega; C1 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$$

$$8 \text{ kHz: } R2 = 16 \text{ K}\Omega; C2 = 1.3 \text{ nF}$$

R3 and C3 provide stability. You obtain a  $\pm 9$  dB variation of treble and bass by adjusting potentiometers R4 and R5, respectively. The filter's frequency response is shown in Fig. 2.

## RUMBLE/SCRATCH FILTER



All resistor values are in ohms.

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**Fig. 111-5**

This is a variable bandpass amplifier with adjustable low- and high-frequency cutoffs.

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## Touch-Switch Circuits

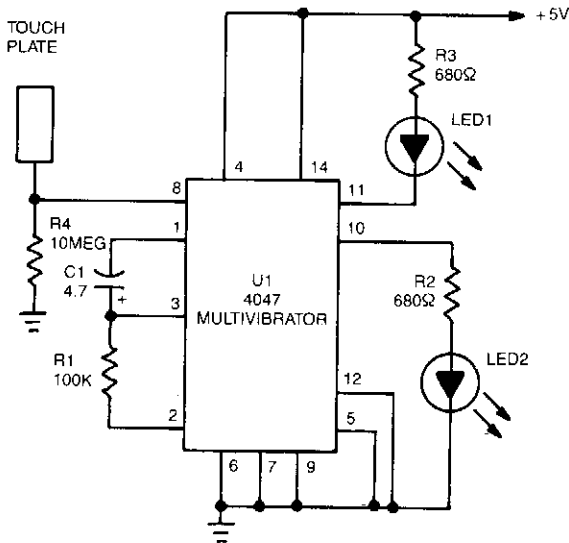
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| Negative-Triggered Touch Circuit | Line Hum Touch Switch |
| Positive-Triggered Touch Circuit | Touch Switch          |
| Digital Touch On/Off Switch      | Touch Switch          |
| Two-Terminal Touch Switch        | Touch Switch          |
| Touch On/Off Electronic Switch   |                       |



## NEGATIVE-TRIGGERED TOUCH CIRCUIT

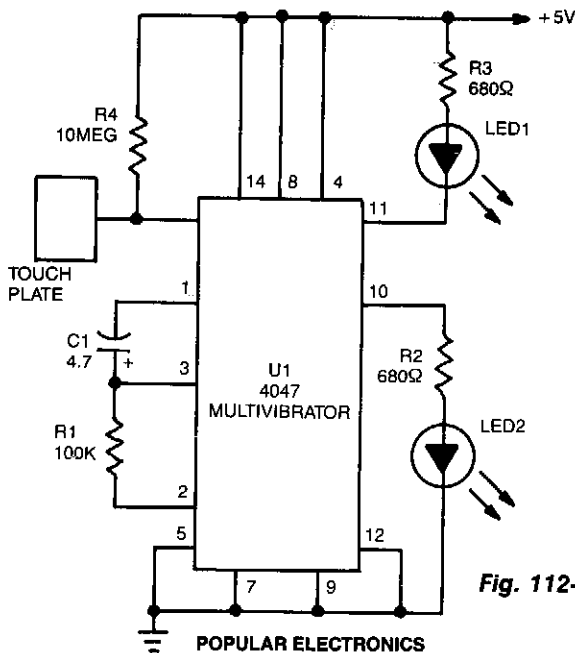


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Fig. 112-1

The 4047 is configured as a monostable multivibrator circuit or one shot that is set up to trigger on a negative-transition of the signal applied to its pin 6 input. The multivibrator's on time is determined by the values of R1 and C1. Although R1 is shown to be a 100-K unit, its value can be anything between 10 K and 1 MΩ. Capacitor C1 can be a nonpolarized capacitor with any practical value above 100 pF. By making R4's value extremely high, the circuit can be used as a touch-triggered one-shot multivibrator. If the value of R4 is reduced to a much lower value, such as 10 KΩ, the circuit can be triggered with a negative pulse through 0.1-μF capacitor connected to pin 6. With a 100-KΩ resistor for R1, and a 4.7-μF electrolytic capacitor for C1, the circuit's on time is about 0.6 second. When R1 is increased to 470 KΩ, the on time of the circuit is increased to over 6 seconds.

## POSITIVE-TRIGGERED TOUCH CIRCUIT

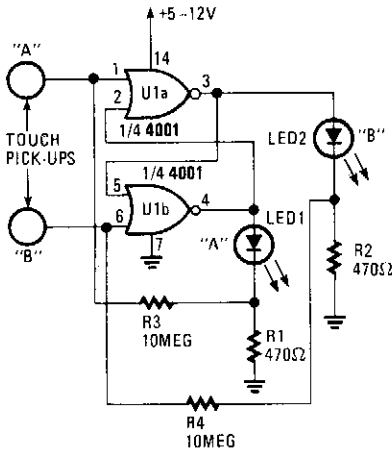


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Fig. 112-2

LED1 and LED2 indicators turn on and remain on, each time the circuit is triggered. During the timing cycle, U1's Q output at pin 10 becomes positive when the Q output at pin 11 becomes negative. The two LEDs can be removed and the Q and Q outputs at pins 10 and 11, respectively, can be used to trigger some other circuit.

## DIGITAL TOUCH ON/OFF SWITCH

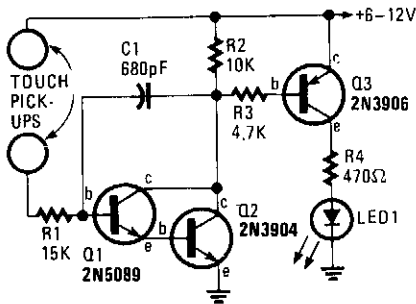


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 112-3

Only one LED can be on when the circuit is at rest. Which LED is illuminated is determined by the touch pick-up that last had human contact. Pickup terminal A controls the on condition of LED1, and terminal B controls the on condition of LED2. A 4001 quad two-input NOR gate is connected in an anti-bounce latching circuit that is activated by touching a pickup.

## TWO-TERMINAL TOUCH SWITCH

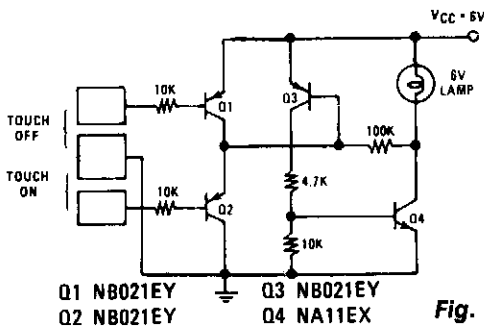


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 112-4

This circuit requires the bridging of two circuits to activate the electronic switch. That circuit does not require a 60-Hz field to operate and can be battery or ac powered. The two-pickup terminals can be made from most any clean metal; they should be about the size of a penny. The input circuitry of the two-terminal touch switch is a high-gain Darlington amplifier that multiplies the small bridging current to a value of sufficient magnitude to turn on Q3, supplying power to LED1. If a quick on and off switching time is desired, the value of C1 should be very small; if a long on-time period is required, the value of C1 can be increased.

## TOUCH ON/OFF ELECTRONIC SWITCH



Q1 NB021EY  
Q2 NB021EY

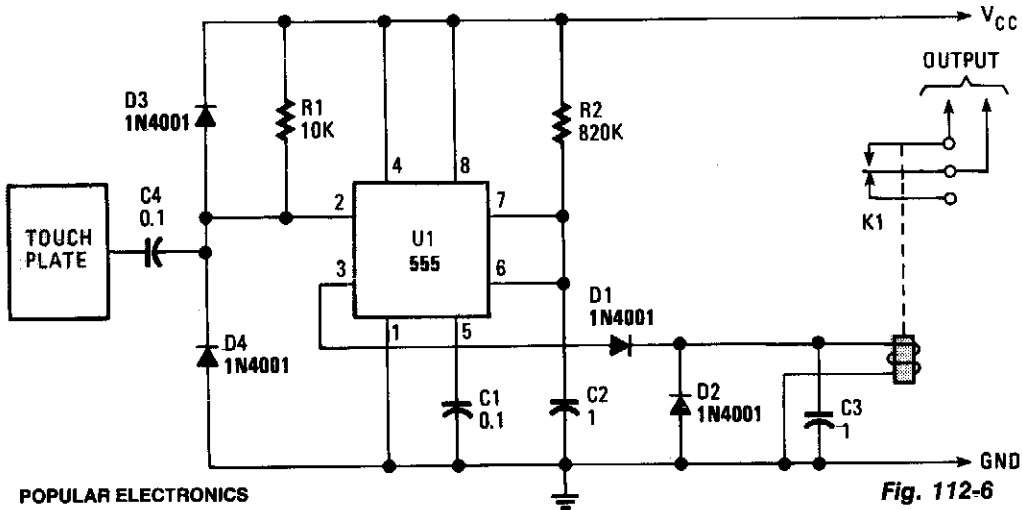
Q3 NB021EY  
Q4 NA11EX

Fig. 112-5

Transistors Q1 and Q2 control latch Q3 and Q4 to switch on the lamp. A high resistance from touching the electrode biases Q1 or Q2 on, setting or resetting the latch.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

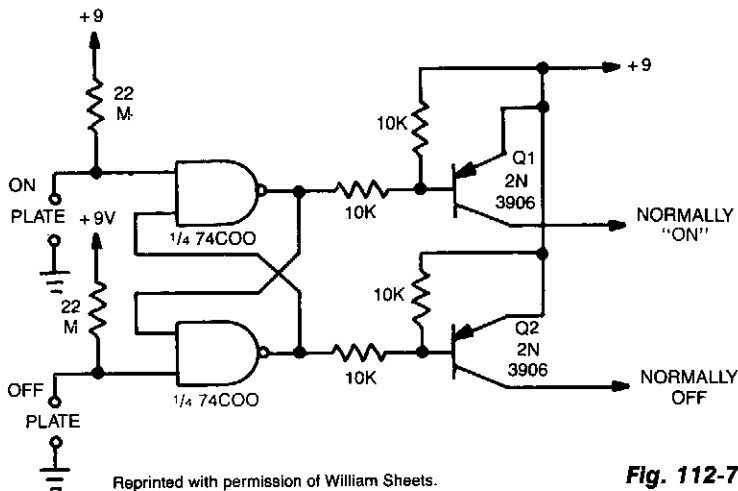
## LINE-HUM TOUCH SWITCH



The monostable period is set for about 1 second, as is the usual case. The induced line hum comes through C2, providing a continuous string of trigger pulses. The output becomes low for about 10 ms per second as the monostable times out and then retriggers. Diode D1 and capacitor C3 buffer the relay so it doesn't chatter on those 10-ms pulses. Resistor R2 sets the sensitivity.

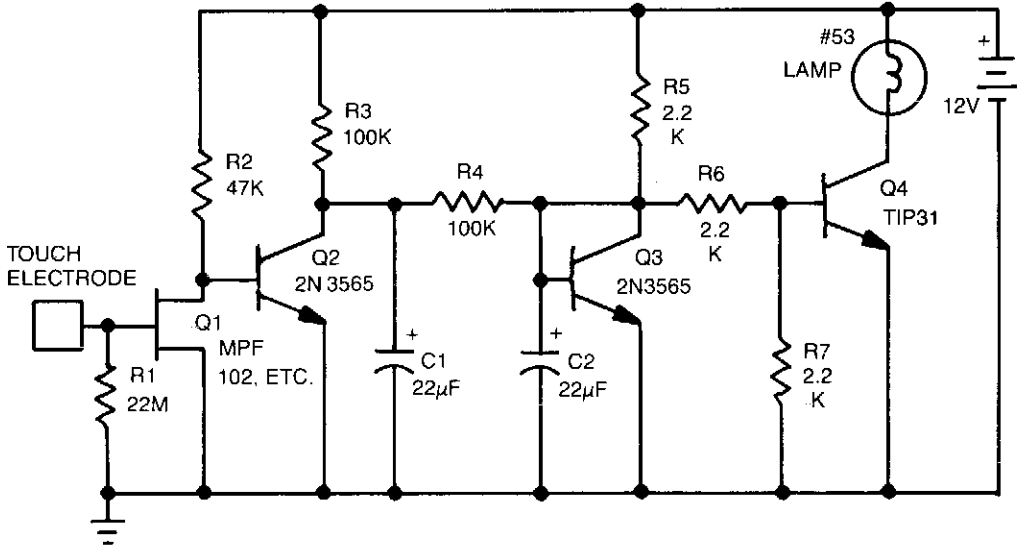
The relay energizes when the plate is touched and de-energizes, up to one second after the finger is removed. The delay is a function of when the monostable last retriggered.

## TOUCH SWITCH



When the plate is touched, the gate input becomes low, changing the state of the latch. Q1 and Q2 give alternate N-on—N-off outputs.

## TOUCH SWITCH

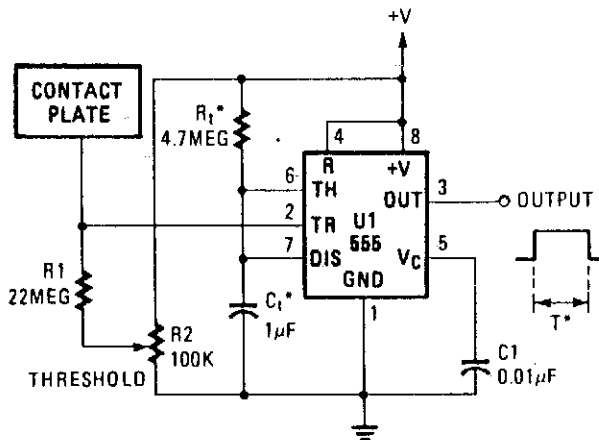


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**Fig. 112-8**

This touch-actuated switch stays on as long as you keep your finger on the touch plate. R1 sets the input impedance to a high 22 MΩ. Q1 picks up stray signals coupled through your body to the touch plate and amplifies them to turn on Q2, which turns on lamp drivers Q3 and Q4. Lamp I1 is any small 12-V lamp, such as a No. 53—12 V 120 mA. R4 and C1 add a small amount of hysteresis (delay) to keep the light from constantly flickering. A relay can be used for I1.

## TOUCH SWITCH



$$*T = 1.1R_1C_1$$

(CHOOSE  $R_1$  AND  $C_1$  FOR PULSE WIDTH GREATER THAN ANTICIPATED CONTACT TIME.)

**Fig. 112-9**

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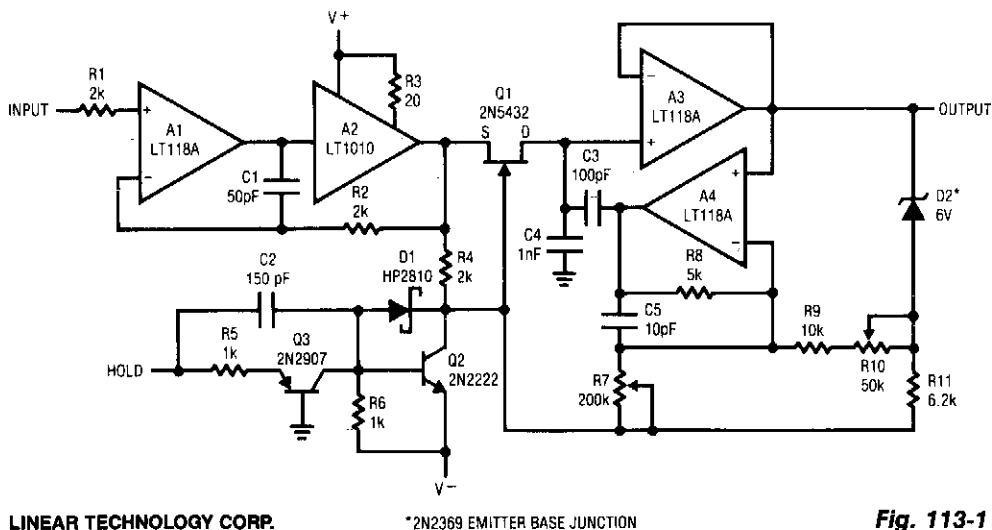
## Tracking Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Track and Hold  
Positive and Negative Voltage  
Reference Tracker  
Signal Track and Hold

## TRACK AND HOLD



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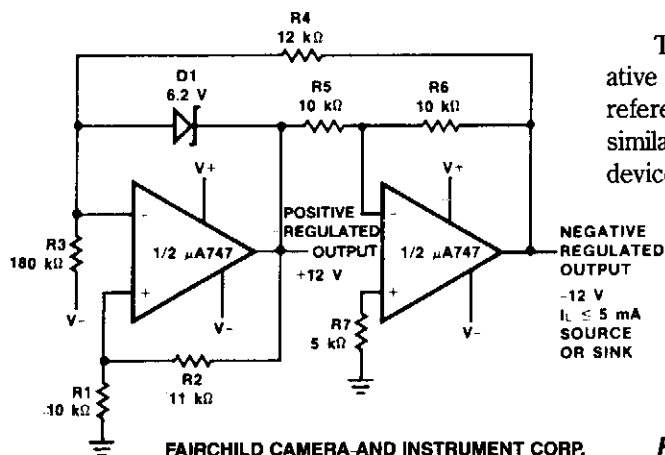
\*2N2369 EMITTER BASE JUNCTION

Fig. 113-1

The 5-MHz track and hold shown here has a 400-kHz power bandwidth driving  $\pm 10$  V. A buffered input follower drives the hold capacitor, C4, through Q1, a low resistance FET switch. The positive hold command is supplied by TTL logic, with Q3 level shifting to the switch driver, Q2. The output is buffered by A3. When the gate is driven to V- for hold, it pulls the charge out of the hold capacitor. A compensating charge is put into the hold capacitor through C3. The step into hold is made independent of the input level with R7, and adjusted to zero with R10.

Since internal dissipation can be quite high when driving fast signals into a capacitive load, using a buffer in a power package is recommended. Raising the buffer quiescent current to 40 mA with R3 improves frequency response.

## POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REFERENCE TRACKER



FAIRCHILD CAMERA AND INSTRUMENT CORP.

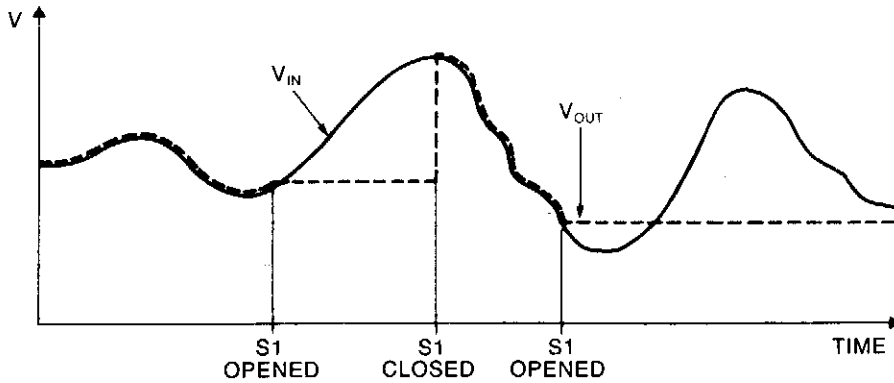
Fig. 113-2

This reference uses an op amp to derive a negative output voltage that tracks with the positive reference voltage. A  $\mu A747$  dual op amp, or any similar device such as an LM1458 or two  $\mu A741$  devices, can be used.

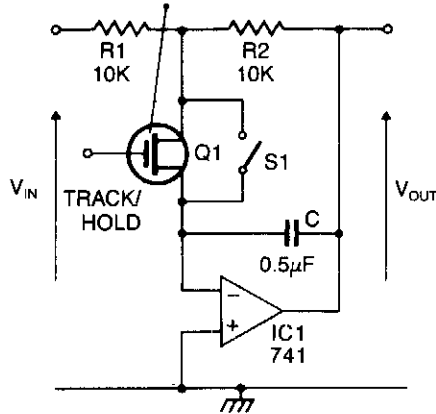
$$\text{Positive Output} = V_{D1} \times \frac{R1 + R2}{R2}$$

$$\text{Negative Output} = -\text{Positive Output} \times \frac{R6}{R5}$$

## SIGNAL TRACK AND HOLD



ML101B OR ANY LOW-LEVEL SWITCHING FET



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Fig. 113-3

When the switch is closed or the FET is conducting, the circuit behaves as an inverting amplifier with a gain of  $R2/R1$ . Since as the inverting terminal of the op amp is a virtual ground, the capacitor is kept charged to the output voltage by the op amp. When the switch is opened and the FET is nonconducting, the voltage at the output is held constant by the capacitor, the current demands of the next stage are met by the op amp. The value of  $C$  should be chosen so that its impedance at the operating frequency is large compared to  $R1$  and  $R2$ .

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## Transducer Amplifiers

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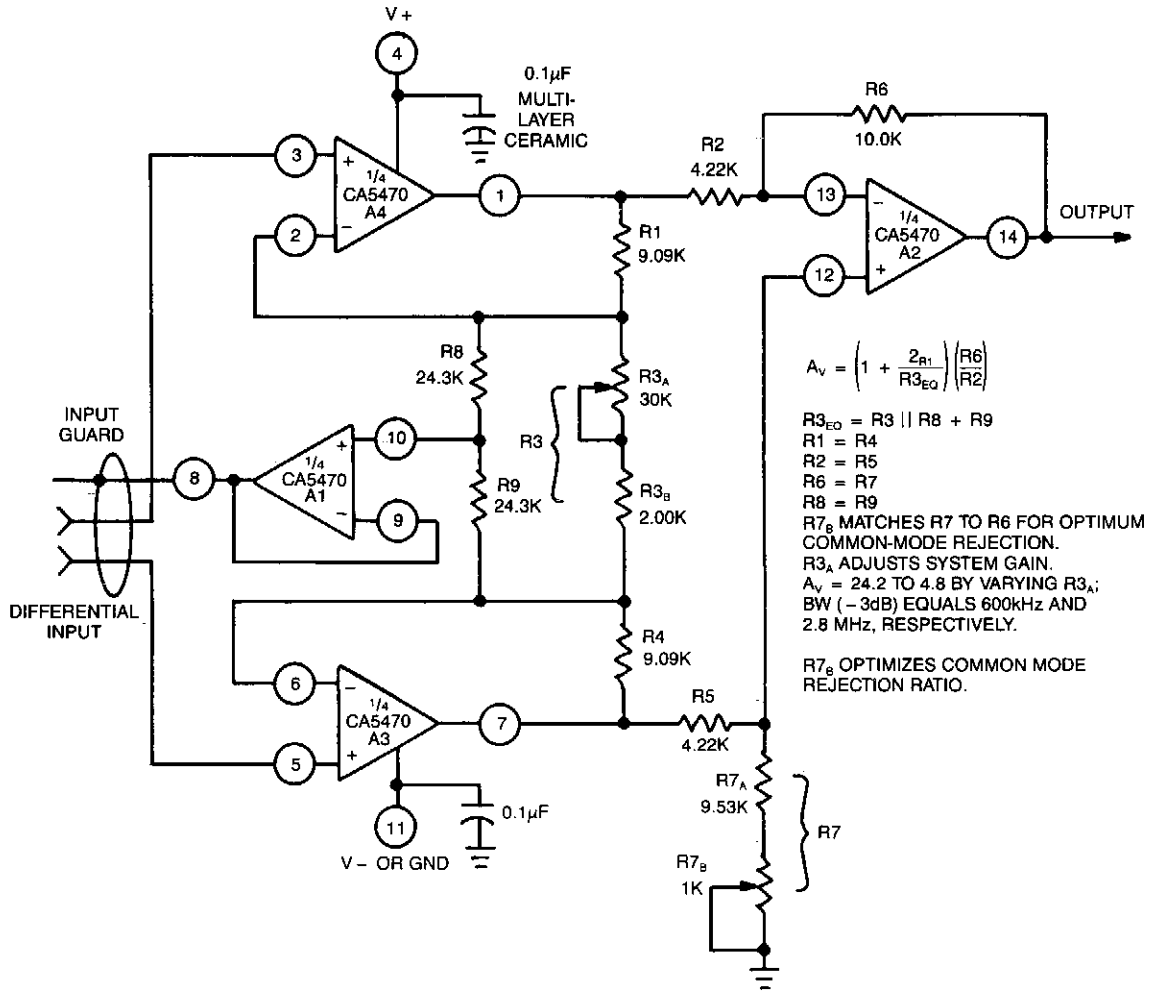
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Differential-to-Single-Ended Voltage  
Amplifier  
Equalized Preamp for Magnetic Phono  
Cartridges  
Photodiode Amplifier

Tape Playback Amplifier  
NAB Record Preamplifier  
Magnetic Phono Preamplifier  
Two-Pole NAB-Type Preamp  
Flat-Response Tape Amplifier



## DIFFERENTIAL-TO-SINGLE-ENDED VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER

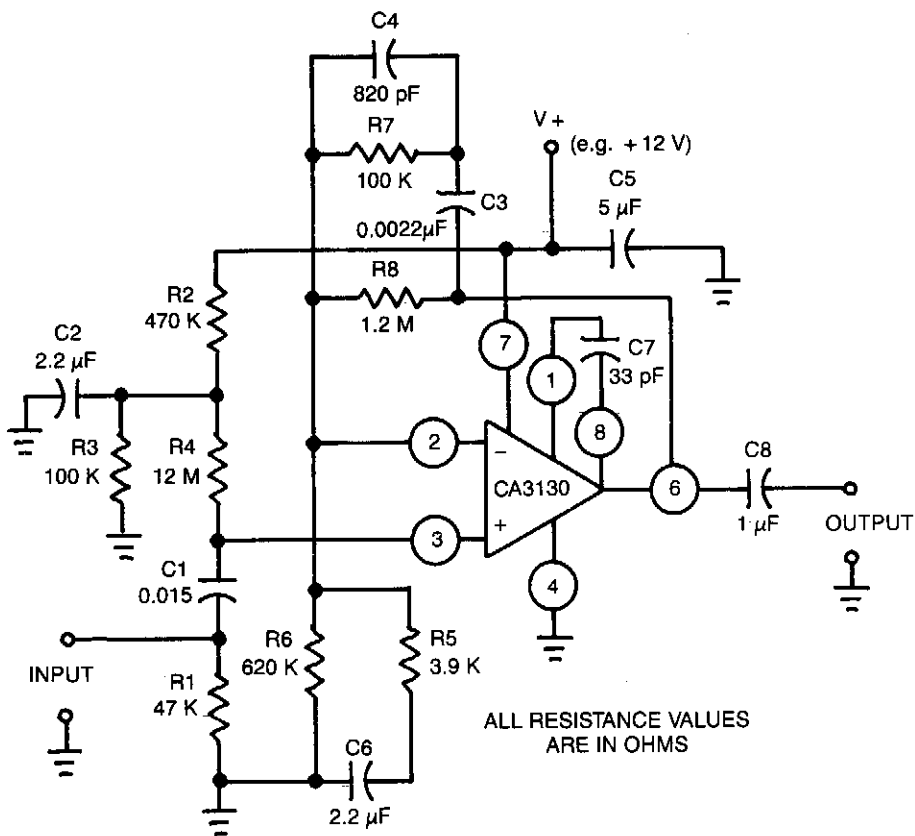


GE/RCA

Fig. 114-1

This circuit uses a CA5470 quad microprocessor BiMOS-E op amp. Amplifiers A1 and A2 are employed as a cross-coupled differential input and differential output preamp stage and A3 provides input guard-band. Amplifier A4 converts the differential outputs of A1 and A2 to a single-ended output.

## EQUALIZED PREAMP FOR MAGNETIC PHONOGRAPH CARTRIDGES



GE/RCA

Fig. 114-2

This circuit uses a CA3130 BiMOS op amp. Amplifier is *equalized* to RIAA playback frequency-response specifications. The circuit is useful as preamplifier following a magnetic tapehead.

### PHOTODIODE AMPLIFIER

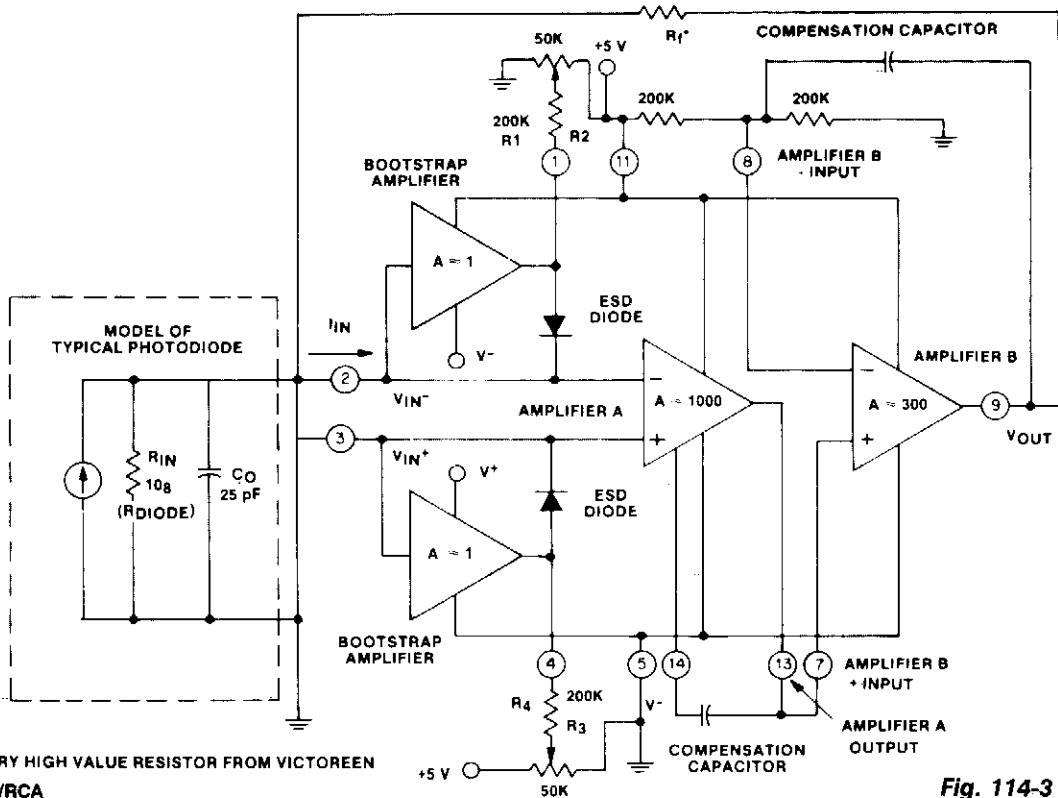


Fig. 114-3

This circuit uses a CA5422 dual BiMOS microprocessor op amp. The bootstrap amplifiers minimize bias currents while maintaining electrostatic discharge protection. Additionally, the potentiometers and their associated resistors, R1 through R4, permit the user to trim bias currents to zero.

### TAPE PLAYBACK AMPLIFIER

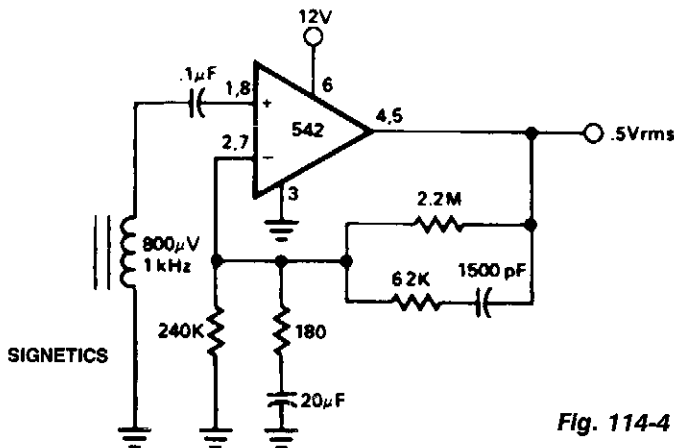
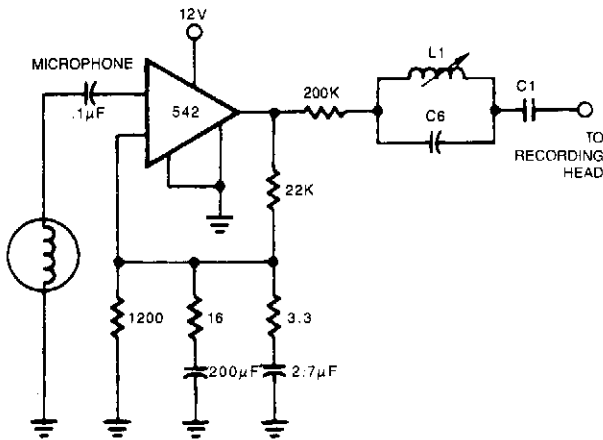


Fig. 114-4

### NAB RECORD PREAMPLIFIER

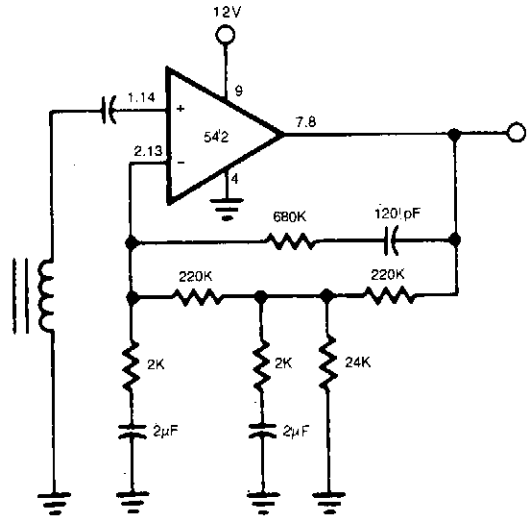


NOTE:  
All resistor values are in  $\Omega$ .

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Fig. 114-5

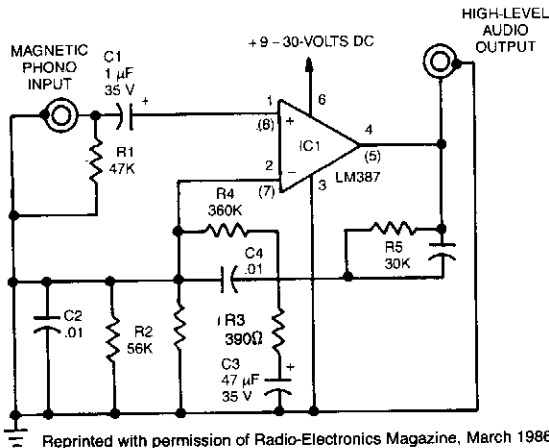
### TWO-POLE NAB-TYPE PREAMP



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Fig. 114-7

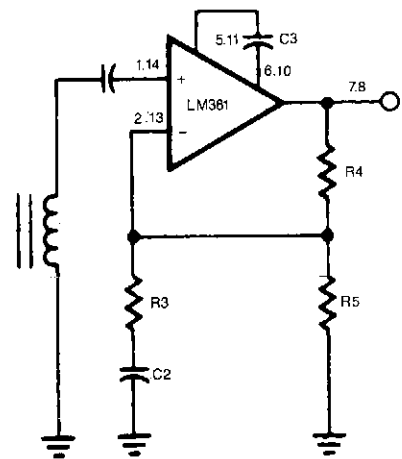
### MAGNETIC PHONO PREAMPLIFIER



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Fig. 114-6

### FLAT-RESPONSE TAPE AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 114-8

This simple stereo amplifier uses a National LM387IC. The pin numbers in parentheses are for one channel, and those not in parentheses are for the other channel. The supply voltage can be +9 to +30 Vdc at about 10 mA. The output voltage swing is about  $V_{CC}-2$  V pk-pk. The preamp should be able to deliver at least 5 V.

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## Transmitters

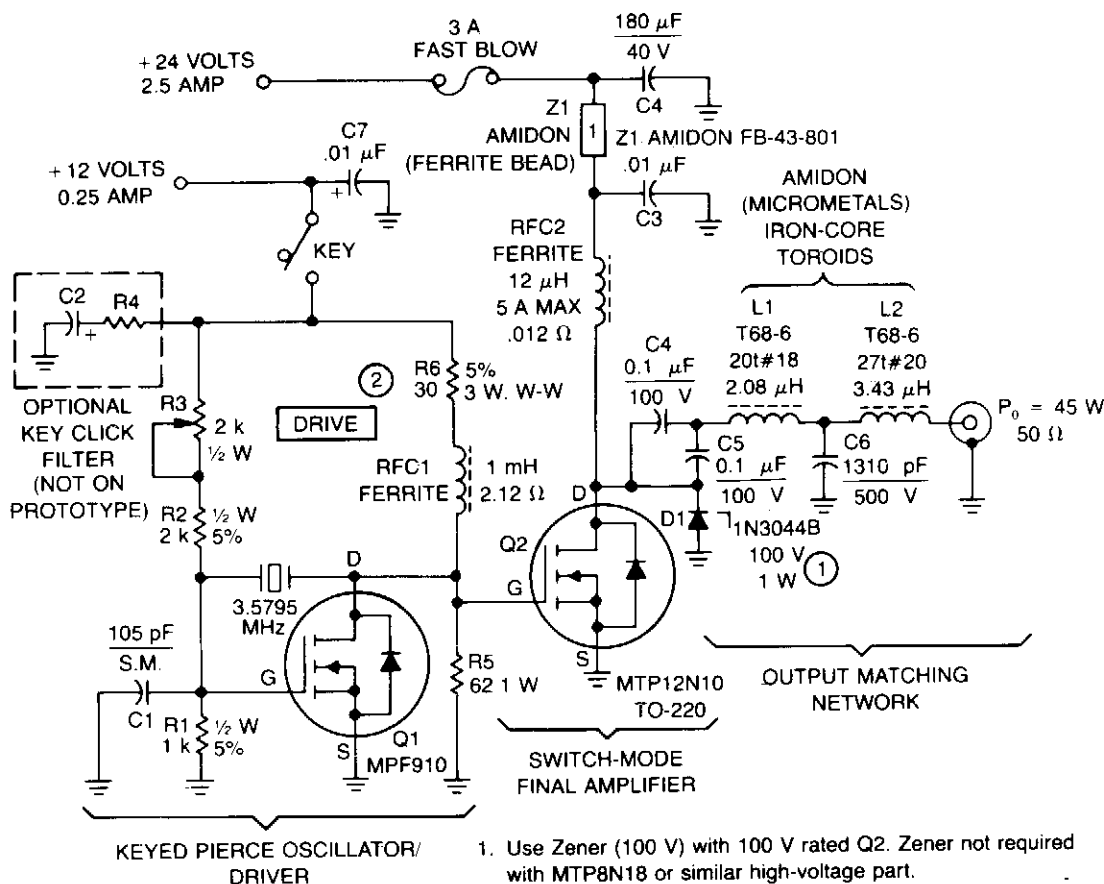
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80-M Amateur Radio Transmitter  
TV Transmitter  
FM Voice Transmitter  
1-W CW Transmitter  
Low-Cost Half-Duplex Information  
Transmission Link  
FM Snooper  
VHF Tone Transmitter  
Low-Frequency Transmitter  
Wireless FM Microphone

Beacon Transmitter  
40-M CW Transmitter  
VHF Modulator  
Wireless FM Microphone  
902-MHz CW Transmitter  
One-Transistor FM Transmitter  
FM Multiplex Transmitter  
QRP CW Transceiver  
Wireless FM Microphone

## 80-M AMATEUR RADIO TRANSMITTER



1. Use Zener (100 V) with 100 V rated Q2. Zener not required with MTP8N18 or similar high-voltage part.
2. Adjust DRIVE for minimum oscillation delay on keying.

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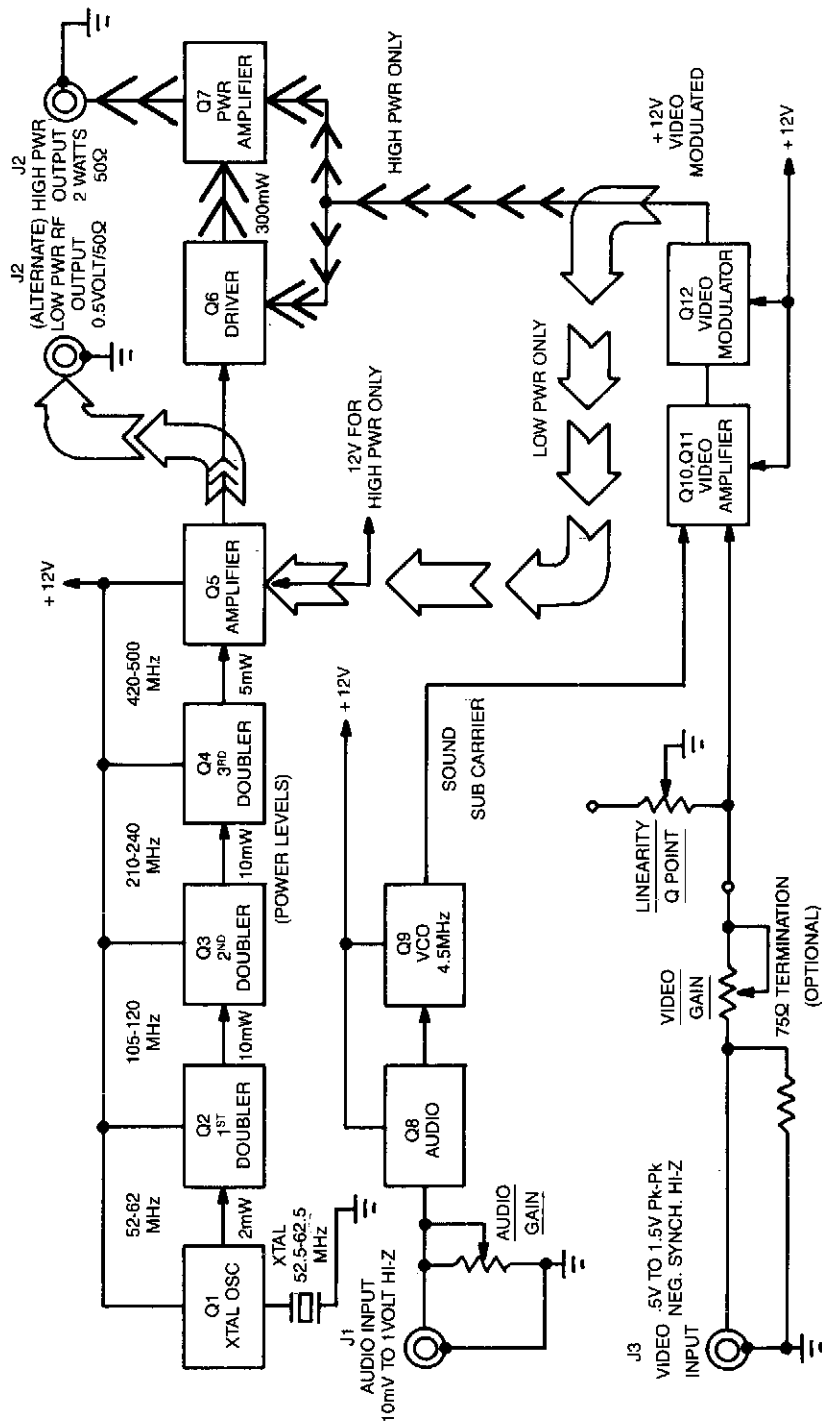
**Fig. 115-1**

This transmitter consists of a keyed crystal oscillator/driver and a high efficiency final, each with a TMOS Power FET as the active element. The total parts cost less than \$20, and no special construction skills or circuit boards are required.

The Pierce oscillator is unique because the high  $C_{RSS}$  of the final amplifier power FET, 700–1200 pF, is used as part of the capacitive feedback network. In fact, the oscillator will not work without Q2 installed. The MPF910 is a good choice for this circuit because the transistor is capable of driving the final amplifier in a switching mode, while still retaining enough gain for oscillation. To minimize cost, a readily-available color burst TV crystal is used as the frequency-determining element for Q1.

An unusual 84% output efficiency is possible with this transmitter. Such high efficiency is achieved because of the TMOS power FET's characteristics, along with modification of the usual algorithm for determining output matching.

# TV TRANSMITTER



This transmitter is capable of two levels of rf power. For low-power wireless video, like in a house or office, where simultaneous monitoring of program material is desirable without cumbersome hookups, 1 - 30 mW is available. For longer ranges up to several miles, as in amateur (ham) TV, security, and surveillance purposes, 2 W into a 50-Ω load is available.

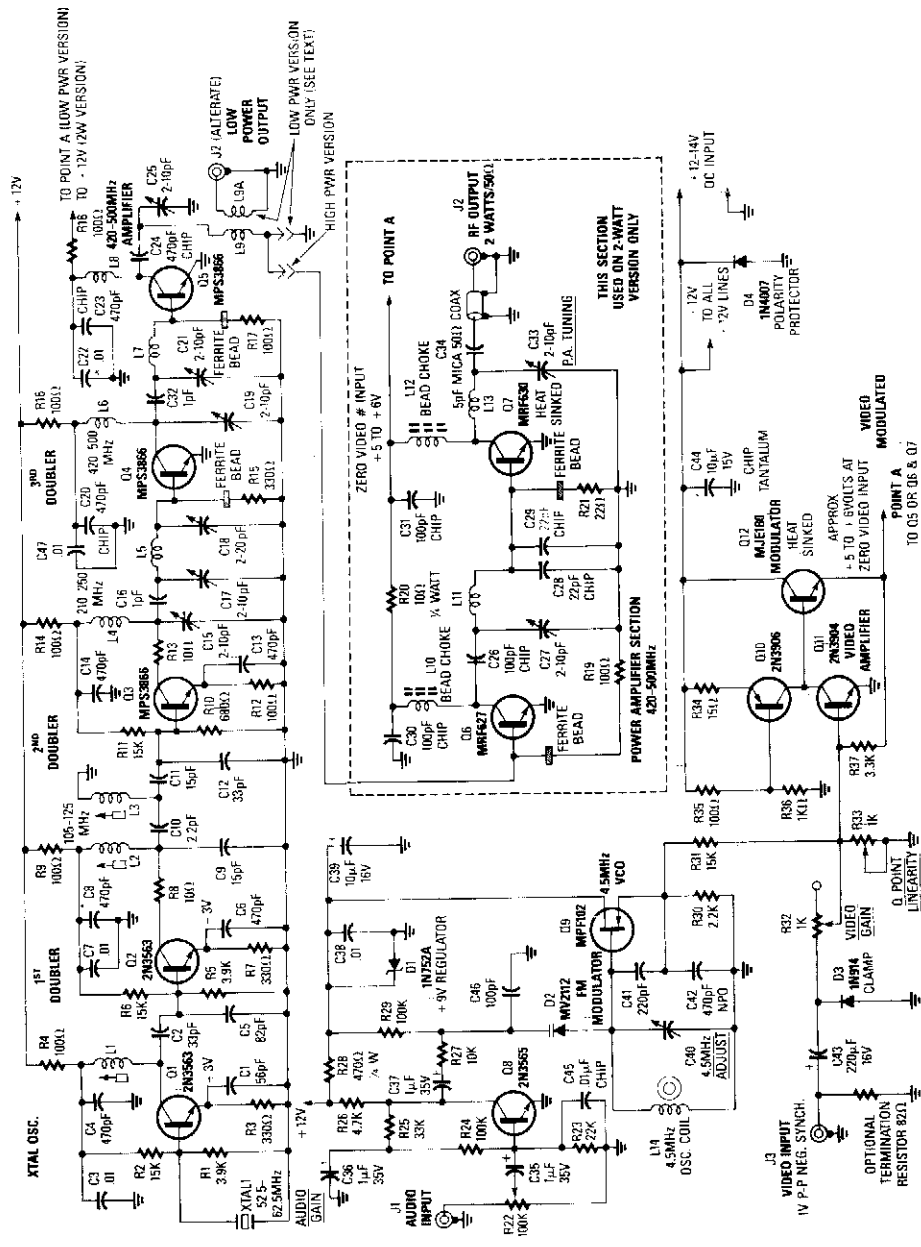


Fig. 115-2

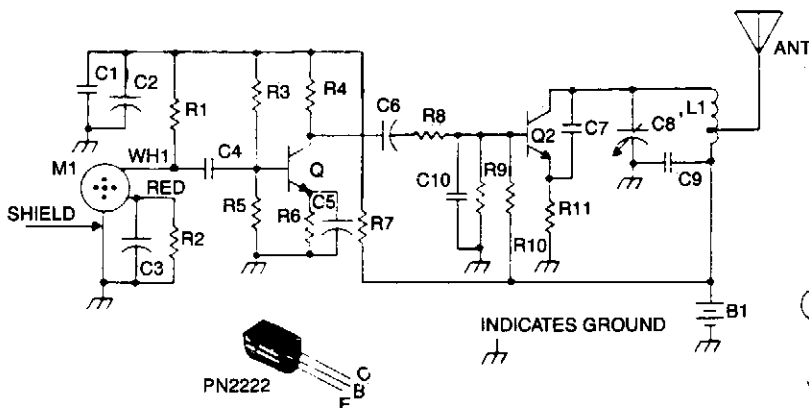
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The video-link transmitter accepts color and B/W video, and audio inputs from VCRs, camcorders, small TV cameras, and microphones. The unit runs on a nominal 12 Vdc and draws 100 mA in the low-power version, or 500 mA in the 2-W version. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.



## FM VOICE TRANSMITTER

C1, C2 AND R7-DO NOT USE UNLESS  
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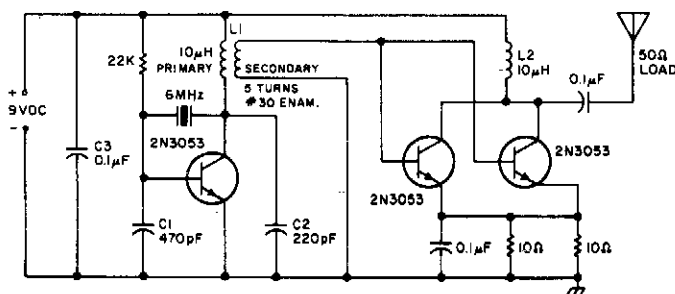


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**Fig. 115-3**

This is a sensitive, mini-powered FM transmitter consisting of an rf oscillator section interfaced with a high-sensitivity wide passband audio amplifier and capacitance microphone with built-in FET that modulates the base of the rf oscillator transistor. The setting of C8 determines the desired operating frequency—in the standard FM broadcast band, tuned to favor the high end up to 110 MHz. Capacitor C7 supplies the necessary feedback voltage developed across R11 in the emitter circuit of Q2, sustaining an oscillating condition. Resistors R9 and R10 provide the necessary bias of the base-emitter junction for proper operation, and capacitor C10 bypasses any rf to ground fed through to the base circuit. C9 provides an rf return path for the tank circuit of L1 and C8, while blocking the dc supply voltage fed to the collector of Q2. The speech voltage developed across R1 by M1 is capacitively coupled by C4 to the base of Q1. A signal voltage developed across R4 is capacity-coupled through C6 to the base of Q2 through R8. R7 and R8, along with C1 and C2, decouple the oscillator and audio circuits.

## 1-W CW TRANSMITTER



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**Fig. 115-4**

## 1-W CW TRANSMITTER (Cont.)

This is a little transmitter that could be put into a plastic Easter egg. It delivers approximately 1 W of measured rf output into a 50- $\Omega$  dummy load, and creates no heating problems with the circuit. The crystal is a series fundamental type, and the power source provides 9 V with a 2-A supply. The transmitter can operate at another frequency, but C1 and C2 might have to be changed for the circuit to work properly. The secondary of L1 is wound over the center of a 10- $\mu$ H coil, with five turns of #30 enameled wire.

### LOW-COST HALF-DUPLEX INFORMATION TRANSMISSION LINK

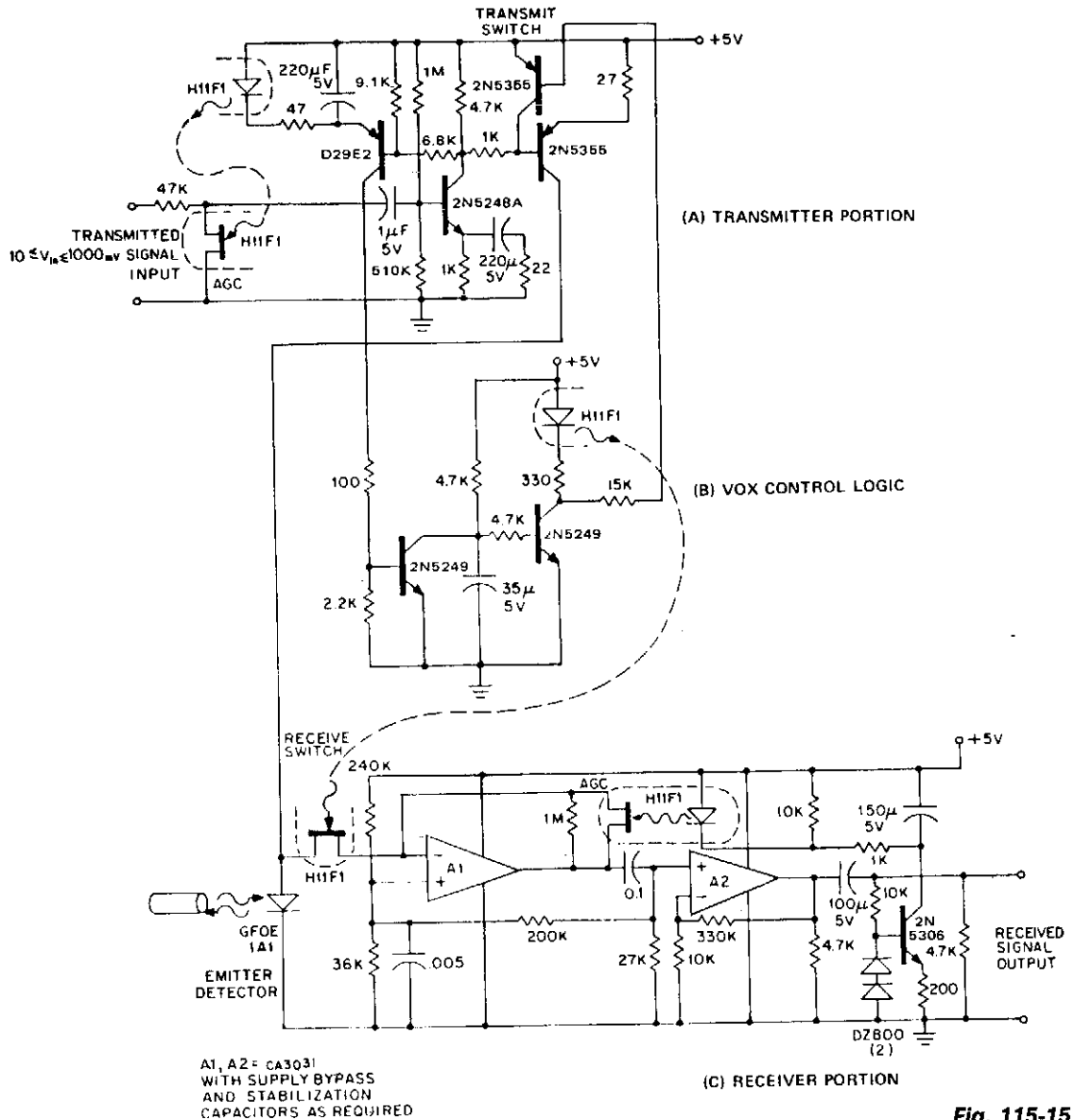
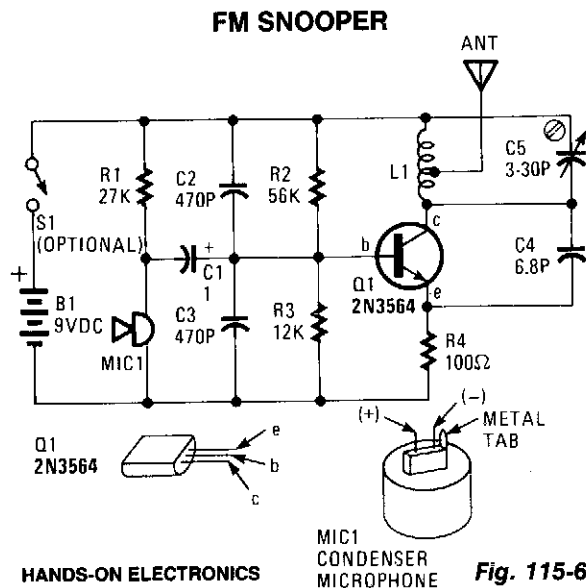


Fig. 115-15

## LOW-COST HALF-DUPLEX INFORMATION TRANSMISSION LINK (Cont.)

In a half-duplex system, information can flow in both directions, but only one direction at any given time. The conventional method of building a half-duplex link requires a separate emitter and detector, connected with directional couplers, at each end of the fiber. The GFOE1A series of infrared emitting diodes are highly efficient, long-lived emitters, which are also sensitive to the 940 nm infrared they produce. Biased as a photodiode, they exhibit a sensitivity of about 30 nA per  $\mu\text{W}$  irradiation at 940 nm. In a suitable bias and switching logic network, they form the basis for a half-duplex information link. A half-duplex link, illustrating the emitter-detector operation of the GFOE1A1, is shown.

This schematic represents a full, general purpose system, including: approximately 50-dB compliance range with 1-V rms output, passive receive, voice-activated switching logic, 100 Hz to 50 kHz frequency response, and inexpensive components and hardware. The system is simple, inexpensive, and can be upgraded to provide more capability through use of higher gain bandwidth amplifier stages. Conversely, performance and cost can be lowered simply by removing undesired features.



The FM Snooper is an FM transmitter that radiates a continuous wave whose frequency is altered according to the sound waves striking the microphone. An ordinary FM broadcast receiver detects the transmitter's output carrier. When 9-V battery, B1, is connected, a brief surge of current flows from the collector to the emitter of Q1, causing an alternating current, shock oscillation in the resonant LC circuit, to flow back and forth between L1 and C5. So, by varying the value of C5, you can tune the oscillations to the exact frequency desired.

Although tuning capacitor C5 accounts for the major part of the tuning capacitance, the capacitance between the base and the collector of Q1 has a small, but noticeable, effect on the oscillation frequency. That capacitance, which is known as the *junction capacitance*, is not a fixed value, but instead varies when the voltage on the base of the transistor varies. Sound waves striking the microphone induce a voltage that varies in time with the sound. That voltage is applied via C1 to the base of Q1, thereby frequency modulating the transmitter.

## VHF TONE TRANSMITTER

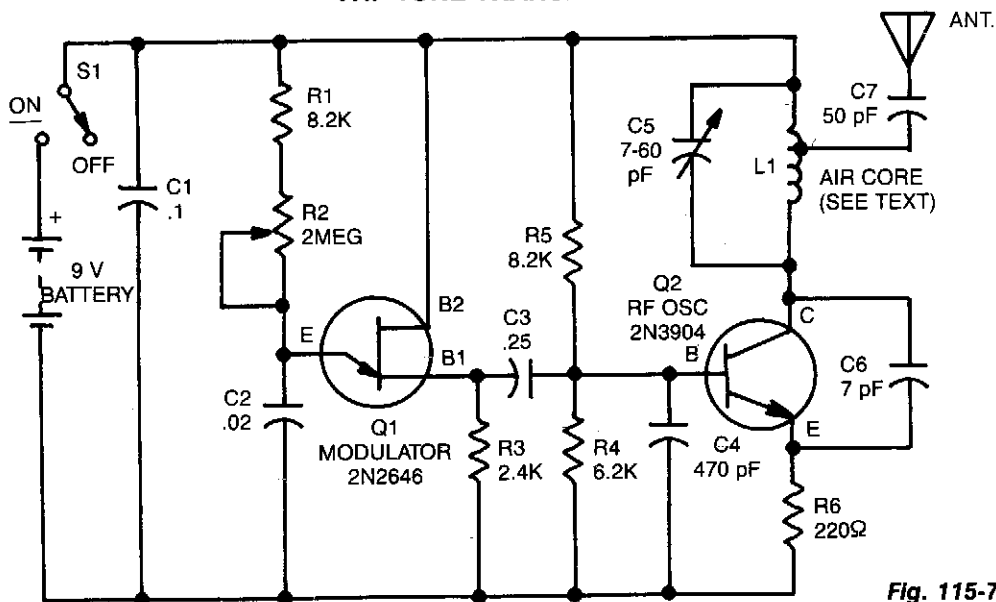


Fig. 115-7

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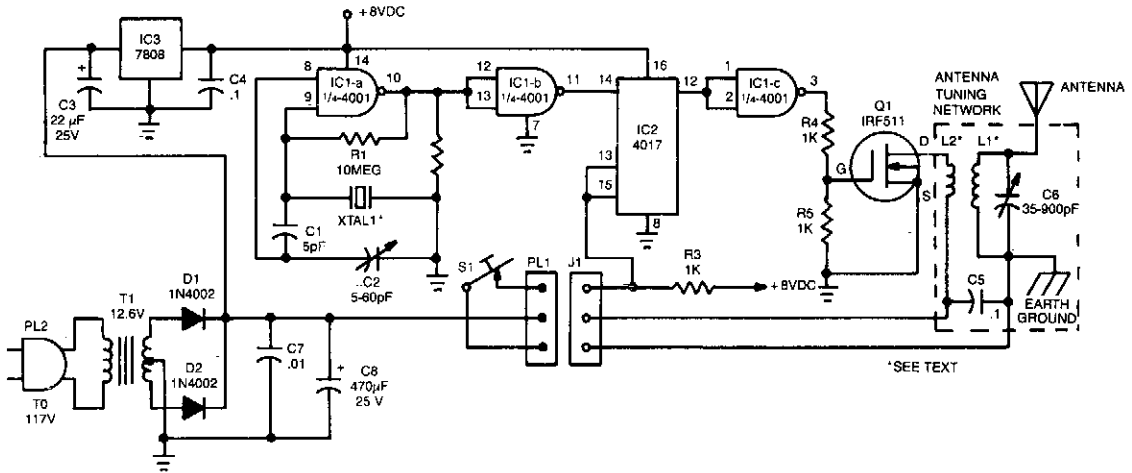
The range of this transmitter is about 50 feet with a short whip antenna. The tone generator, is made up of a unijunction transistor, Q1, and R1, R2, R3, and C2. Transistor Q1 pulses on and off at a rate determined by the time constant of R1 and R2, together with the capacitance of C2 and the B1-emitter junction of Q1. Trimmer potentiometer R2 determines the frequency of the tone generated and allows a range of approximately 100 Hz to over 5 kHz.

Transistor Q2 is the rf oscillator. Its frequency is set by tuned circuits consisting of L1, C5, C6, and the interelectrode capacitance of Q2. The values shown will give a tuning range of about 55 to 108 MHz. Capacitor C6 provides positive feedback from the emitter to the collector of Q2, for oscillation. The audio tone generated by Q1 is applied to the base of Q2, causing the collector current to vary at the frequency of the tone, yielding an amplitude-modulated (AM) signal. This, in turn, varies Q2's collector-to-emitter capacitance, which makes up part of the tuned circuit, and causes the output frequency to vary similarly, producing a frequency-modulated (FM) signal, as well. The rf signal is coupled to the antenna through capacitor C7.

Coil L1 consists of five turns of #18 bare wire, close-wound on a piece of 1/4-inch wooden dowel. The length of the winding is about 1/4 inch. One end of capacitor C7 is soldered to the coil, one turn away from the 9-V supply end, and the other capacitor end is connected to the antenna. To adjust the vertical height and linearity of a TV set, place the tone transmitter near the set and use R2 to select the number of horizontal bars to be displayed. Once the picture is steady and the bars are sharp, adjust the set's vertical controls, so that all the bars are of the same height and are evenly spaced.

The fact that both AM and FM signals are generated makes it possible to use this circuit to check almost any receiver within the transmitter's frequency range. A TV set's sound section (discriminator) will reject the AM portion of the signal, but its video section will respond to it. Similarly, the TV sound section and FM receivers will respond to the FM signal produced.

## LOW-FREQUENCY TRANSMITTER

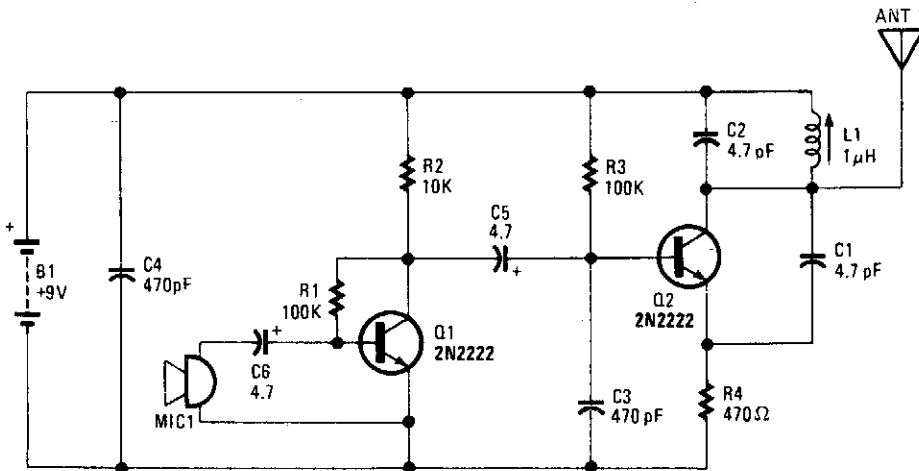


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**Fig. 115-8**

The crystal oscillator, which uses two sections of IC1, a 4001 quad 2-input NOR gate, is a standard and reliable design. The oscillator's 1.85-MHz, square-wave output feeds IC2, a 4017 divide-by-10 counter. The count enable and reset terminals, pins 13 and 15, are normally held high by resistor R3, and the counter is activated by bringing those pins low by closing telegraph key S1—an arrangement that guarantees that the final state of IC2 pin 12 is always high. The high on IC2 pin 12 is inverted by a third section of the 4001, IC1c, to prevent dc current flow through power amplifier Q1 during key-up periods.

## WIRELESS FM MICROPHONE



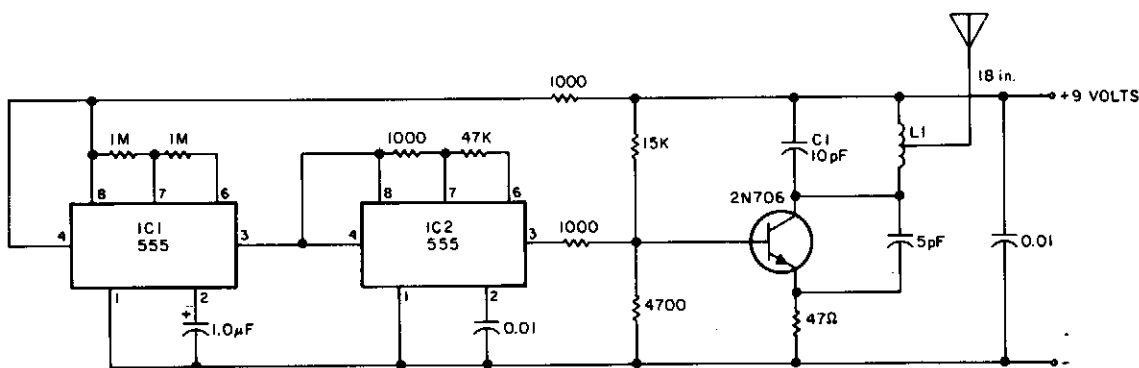
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**Fig. 115-9**

## WIRELESS FM MICROPHONE (Cont.)

Transistor Q1 acts as an amplifier for condenser microphone MIC1. The output of Q1 is applied to the base of transistor Q2 through a 4.7- $\mu$ F capacitor. C2 and L1 form an LC tank circuit, which is used to set the frequency at which the transmitter operates. Coil L1 is a variable inductor, centered a bit below 1  $\mu$ H, that is used to adjust the modulating frequency of the circuit. Capacitors C1 and C2 are 4.7 pF units. A lower value can be used to raise the circuit's operating frequency. The microphone and Q1 provide a varying voltage at the base of Q2, with the output of Q2 applied to the LC-tank circuit. That causes a modulating action in the tank circuit that, when applied to the antenna, a short piece of wire 6- to 8-inches long, will provide a good, clear FM signal somewhere in the range of 88 to 95 MHz with a range of about 100 feet.

## BEACON TRANSMITTER



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Fig. 115-10

This transmitter can be used for transmitter hunts, for remote key finding, or for radio telemetry in model rockets. It can be tuned to the two meter band or other VHF bands by changing C1 and L1. L1 is four turns of #20 enameled wire airwound, 0.25 inch in diameter (use a drill bit), 0.2 inch long, center-tapped. The antenna can be 18 inches of any type of wire. IC2 functions as an audio oscillator that is turned on and off by IC1 about once per second. The range of the transmitter is several hundred yards.

### 40-M CW TRANSCEIVER

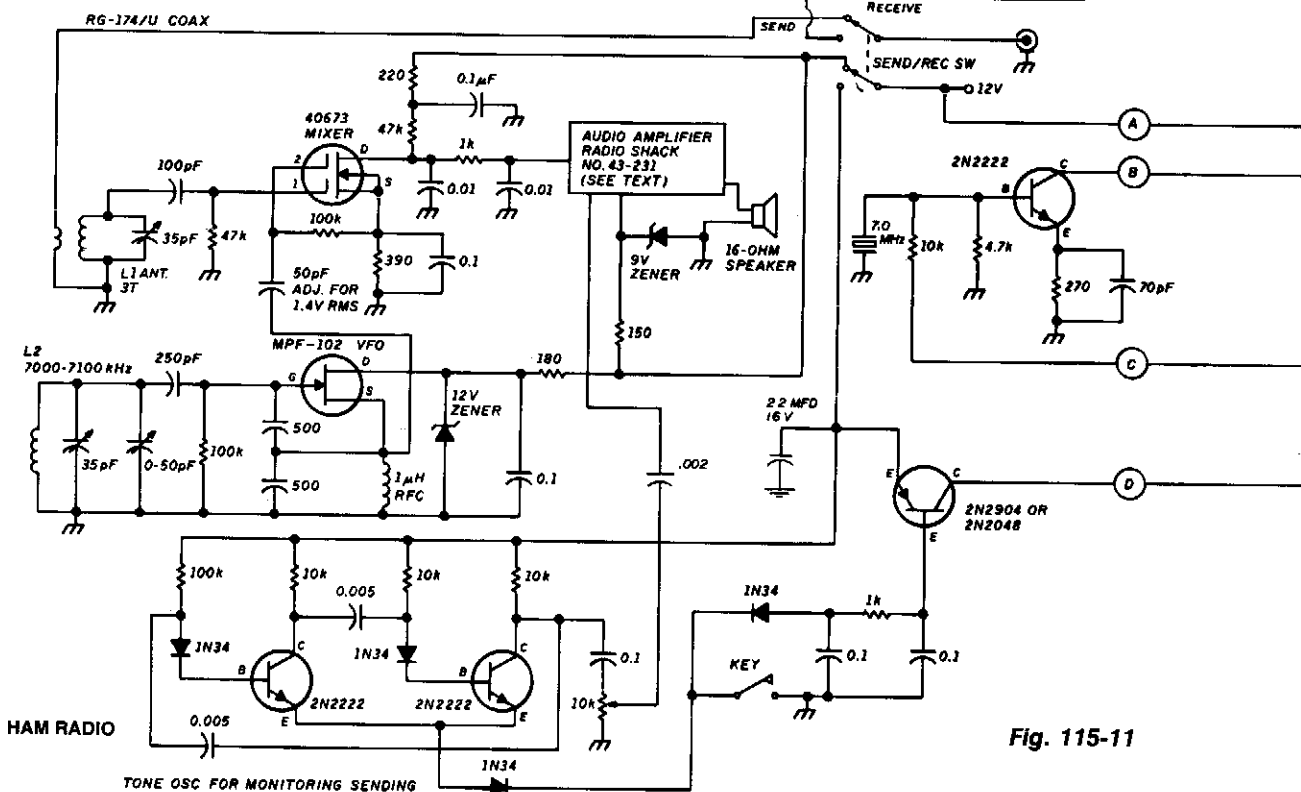


Fig. 115-11

### VHF MODULATOR

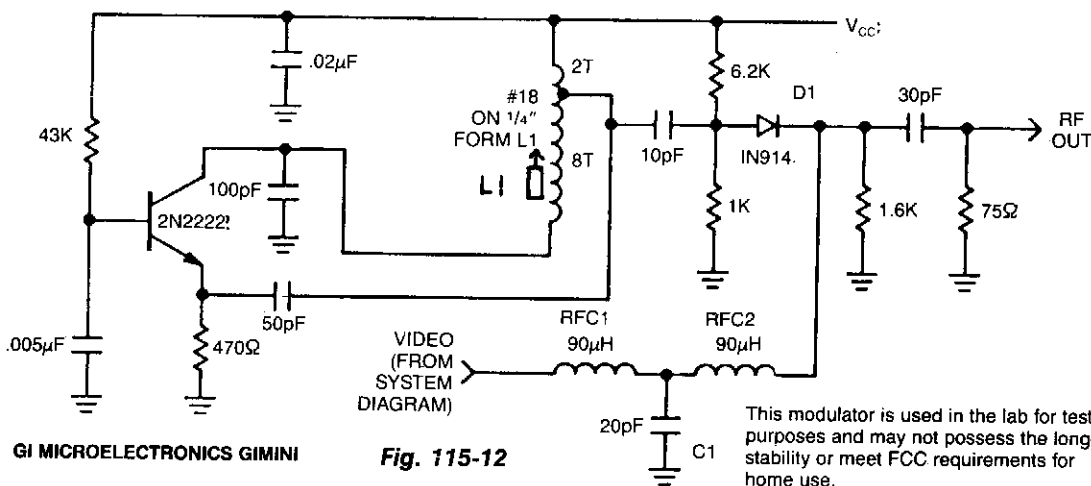
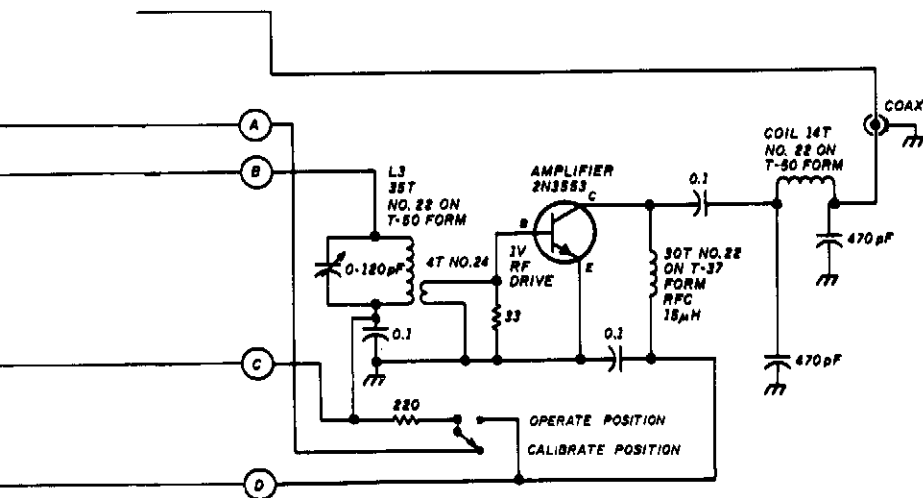


Fig. 115-12

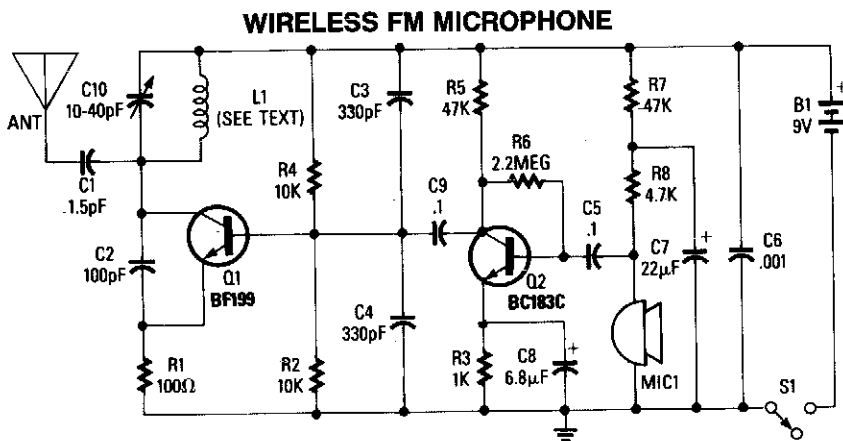
This modulator is used in the lab for test purposes and may not possess the long-term stability or meet FCC requirements for home use.

This circuit uses an oscillator (2N2222) and a diode D1 as a nonlinear mixer. The frequency is set by a slug in L1. RFC1, C1, and RFC2 form a low-pass filter to pass video and block rf from the video source.



The unit consists of a direct conversion receiver and 1-W transmitter. The direct conversion receiver VFO is tuned just off frequency from the incoming signal. This difference in frequency produces a clean, strong, and solid audio tone signal. Detect the resonant frequency of the transmitter VFO by using the GDO as a field-strength meter.

Because of the large capacitance in the Colpitts VFO, the tuning coil will have fewer turns than the mixer coil. Use the capacitance shown for the VFO gate to ground and to the coil. It will effect the frequency and output. You'll need 1.4-V rms on pin 2 of the mixer to get a good signal from the VFO. The 1000-Ω resistor and 0.01-μF capacitors act as an rf filter from the mixer output.



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**Fig. 115-13**

Adjustable capacitor C10, and coil L1 form a tank circuit that, in combination with Q1, C2, and R1, oscillates at a frequency on the FM band. The center frequency is set by adjusting C10. An electret microphone, M1, picks up an audio signal that is amplified by transistor Q2. The audio signal is coupled via C9 to Q1, which frequency modulates the tank circuit. The signal is then radiated from the antenna. The circuit can operate from 9 – 12 Vdc.



## 902-MHz CW TRANSMITTER

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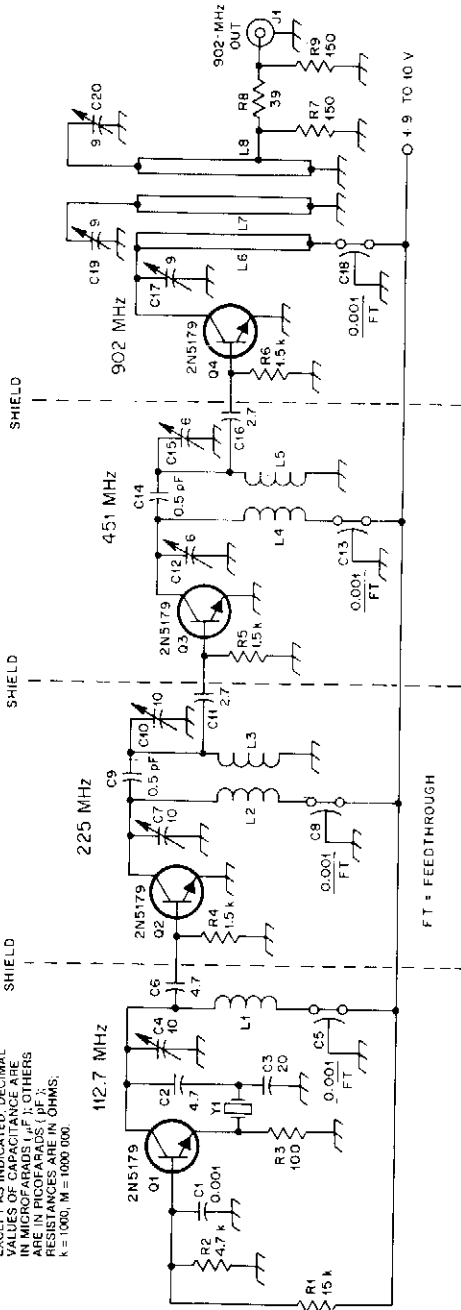


Fig 2—Schematic diagram of the exciter. Resistors are 1/4-W carbon composition. Capacitors are 50-V epoxy-coated ceramic types unless otherwise noted.

C4, C7, C10—1.5-15 pF miniature air-variable capacitor (Trim-tronics 10-1120-25015-000 or equiv).  
 C5, C8, C13, C18—470- to 1000-pF ceramic feedthrough capacitor, solder-in type preferred.  
 C9, C14—0.5-pF "gimmick" capacitor (see text).  
 C12, C15—1-6 pF miniature air-variable capacitor (Trim-tronics 10-1120-25006-000 or equiv).

### QST

spaced 1 wire dia.

L6, L7, L8—Inductor made from copper strap, 1-in long x 1/8-in wide. See text and Fig 3 for details.

Q1-Q4—2N5179 transistor.

Y1—Fifth-overtone crystal, 80.545 MHz, or seventh-overtone crystal, 112.763 MHz, HC-25 holder, series resonant, 0.005% (avail from JAN Crystals, 2400 Crystal Dr, Ft Meyers, FL 33906 tel 800-237-3063).

C17, C19, C20—0.6-9 pF ceramic piston trimmer capacitor (Voltronics EQT9 or equiv).

J1—Chassis-mount female BNC connector (UG-1094 or equiv).

L1—5t no. 22 tinned wire, 0.228-in ID (no. 1 drill), spaced 1 wire dia.

L2, L3—4t no. 18 tinned wire, 1/4-in ID, spaced 1 wire dia.

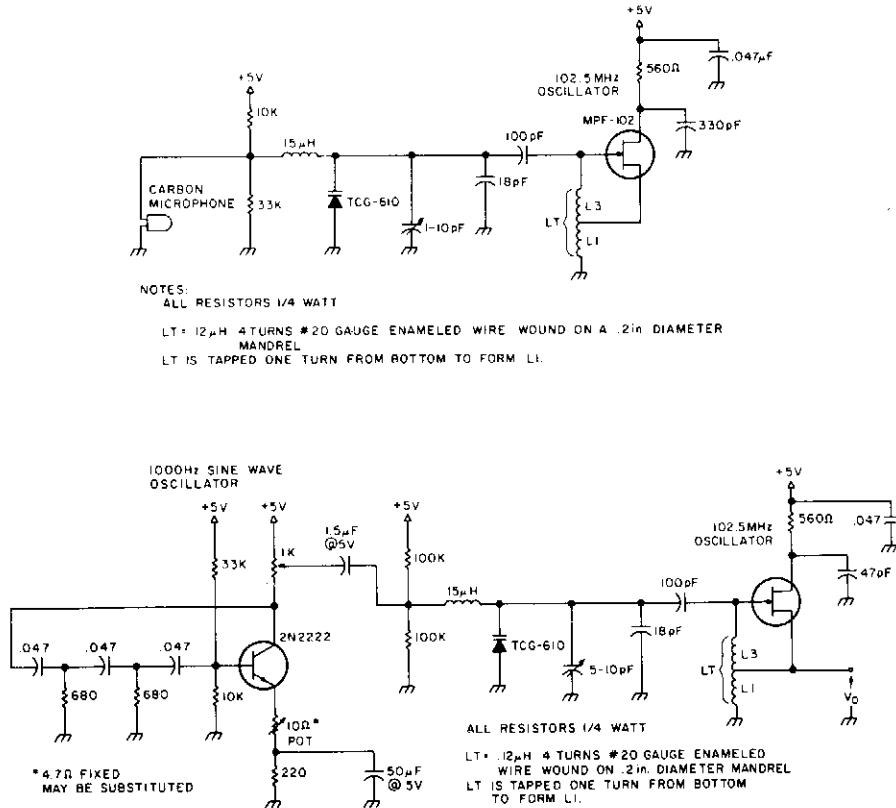
L4, L5—2t no. 18 tinned wire, 1/4-in ID.

### QST

## Fig. 115-14

The oscillator, Q1, is a standard overtone circuit. A fifth-overtone crystal, 80.545 MHz, is operated on the seventh overtone, 112.763 MHz. C6 couples the output of the oscillator to Q2, which operates as a doubler to 225.5 MHz. A double-tuned circuit using C7, L2, L3, C10 is used in the collector of Q2 to reduce the level of the 112-MHz oscillator signal. The output of Q2 is capacitively coupled at C11 to the base of Q3. The double-tuned circuit in the collector of Q3 with C12, L4, L5, C15, is tuned to 451 MHz. A small capacitance, 2.7 pF, couples the 451-MHz signal to the base of another 2N5179, Q4, which doubles the signal to 902 MHz. The output of the 902-MHz doubler has a triple-tuned circuit using C17, L6, C19, L7, C20, L8 in its collector.

## A ONE-TRANSISTOR FM TRANSMITTER



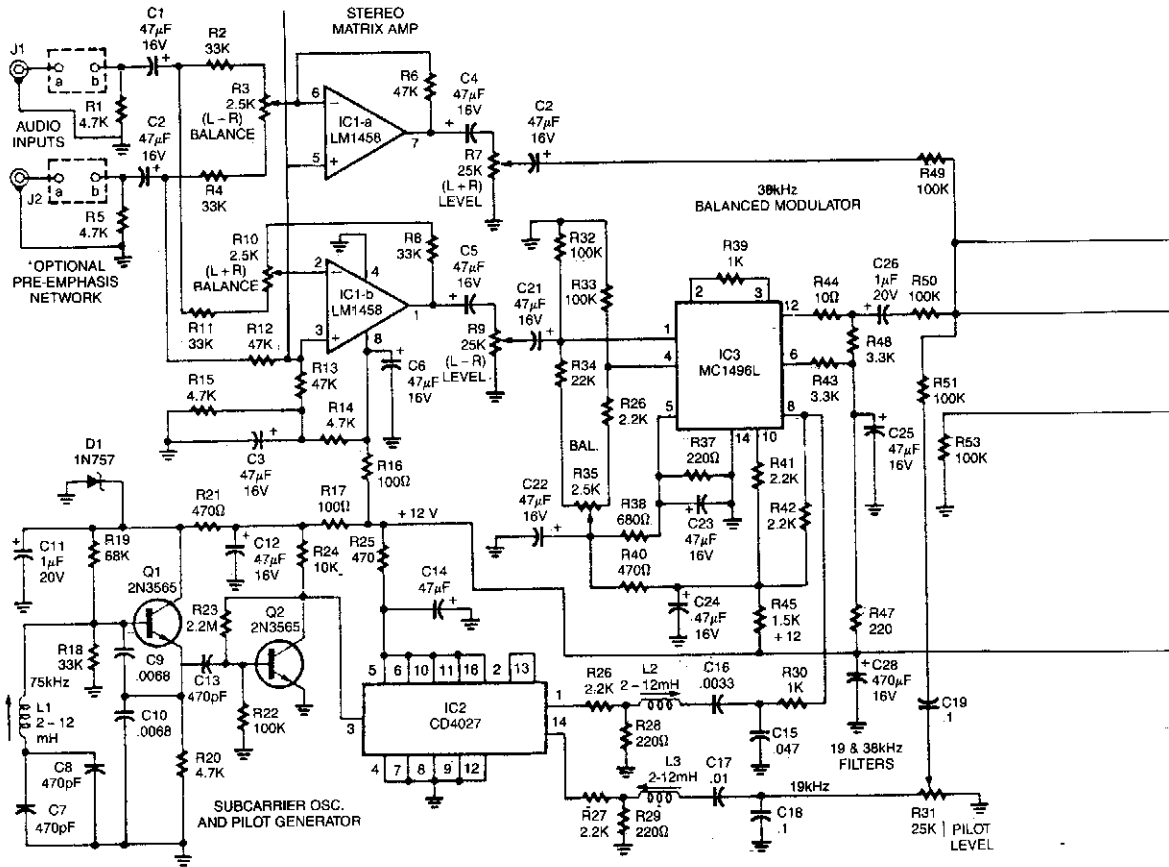
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Fig. 115-15

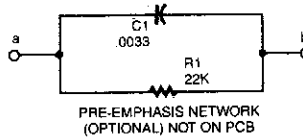
The 2N2222 circuitry is a three-element, phase-shift oscillator circuit, designed to yield a 1,000-Hz sine wave. The 1,000-Hz sine wave is then applied to the TCG-610 varactor diode, 6 pF at 4 V, which changes the tank capacitance, thus varying the rf oscillator frequency at a 1,000-Hz rate. The 1,000-Ω potentiometer in the collector circuit can be adjusted to enable the desired frequency modulation level.

The Hartley rf oscillator, designed around a readily available MPF-102 JFET, has an output that should be relatively stable if it is enclosed in a metal box, thus minimizing changes in tank capacitance. The completed transmitter has a range of 30 feet when not enclosed—without an antenna.

## FM MULTIPLEX TRANSMITTER

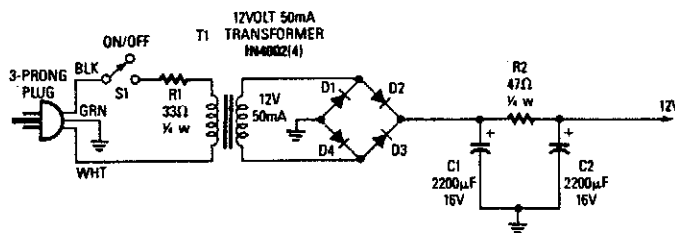
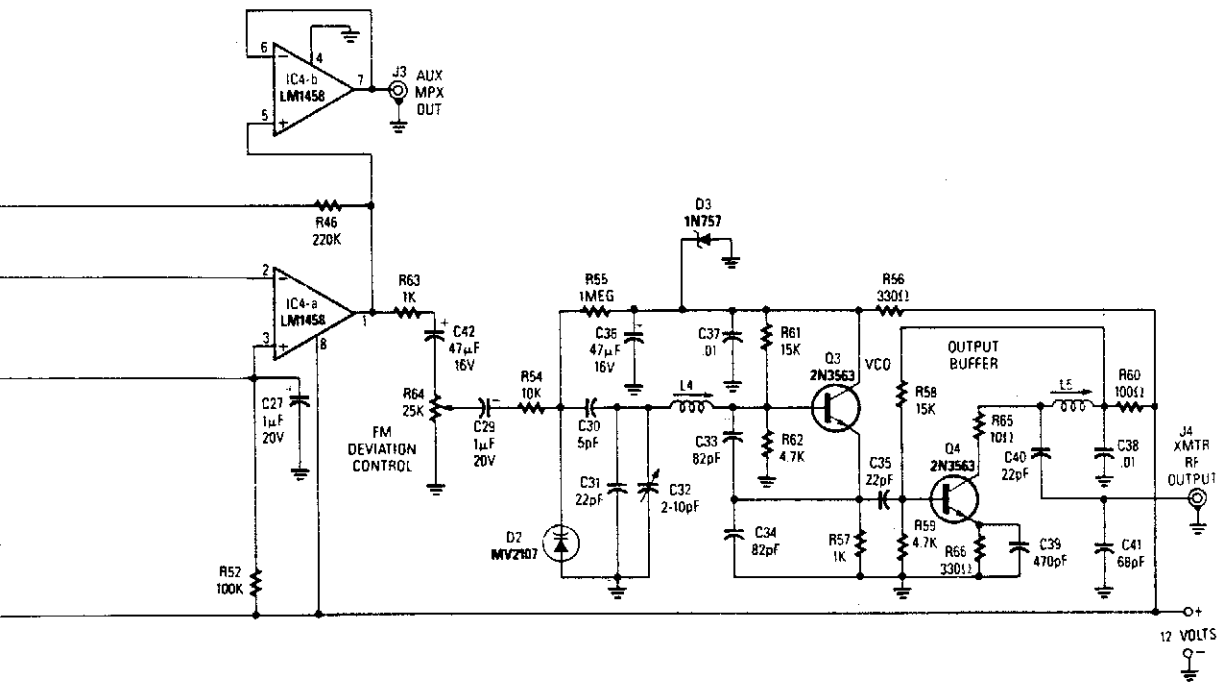


THIS STEREO FM TRANSMITTER is capable of transmitting a stereo signal up to a hundred feet.



THIS PRE-EMPHASIS NETWORK can be added to the audio inputs of the MPX transmitter, if necessary.

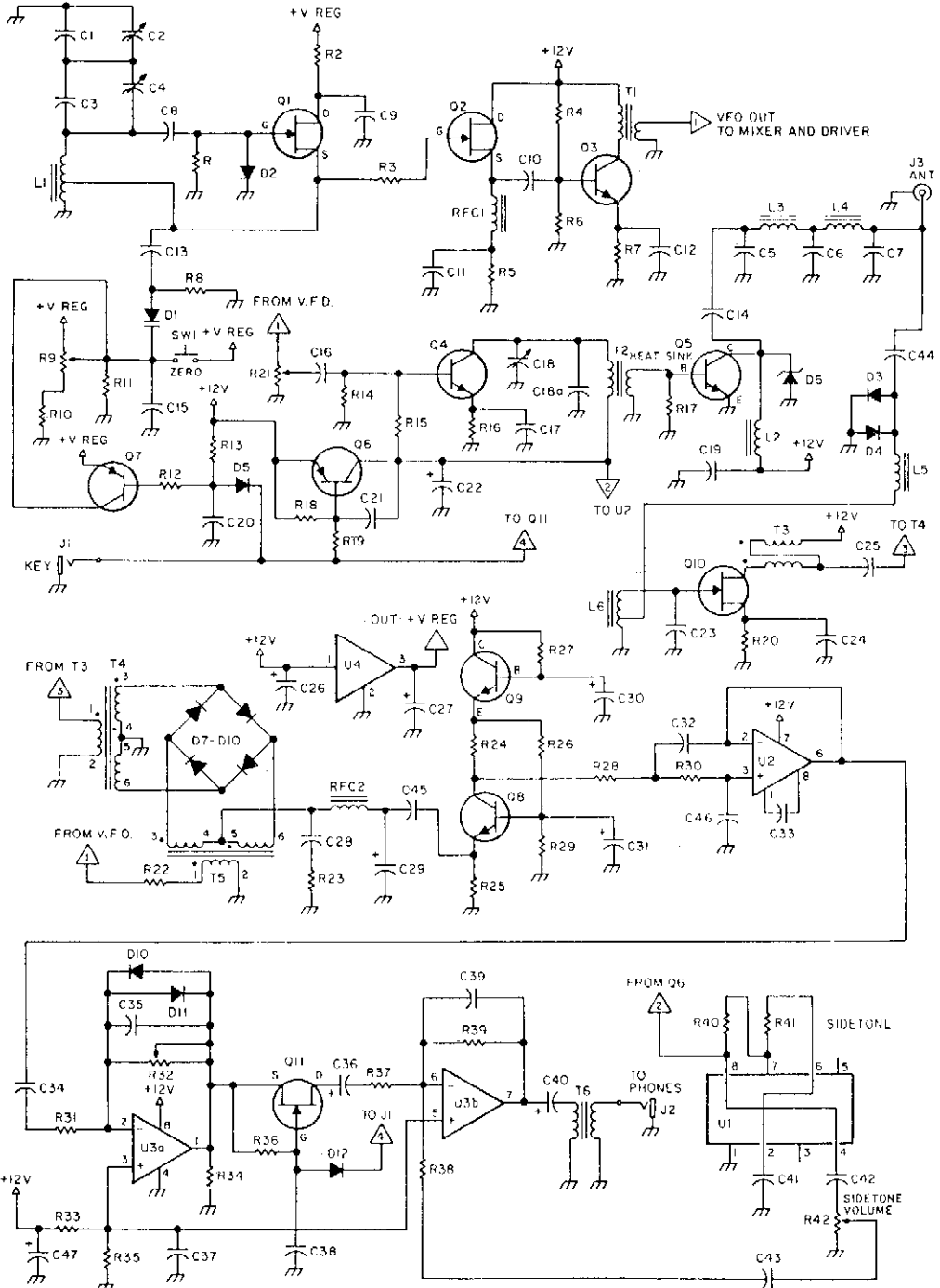
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THIS POWER SUPPLY can be used if you do not want to power the transmitter with batteries.

This transmitter has a range of up to 100 feet. It generates a complete multiplex stereo signal and is useful for cordless headphone applications in which an inexpensive socket stereo receiver can be used. It can also be used as an FM multiplex generator for receiver alignments. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

# QRP CW TRANSCEIVER

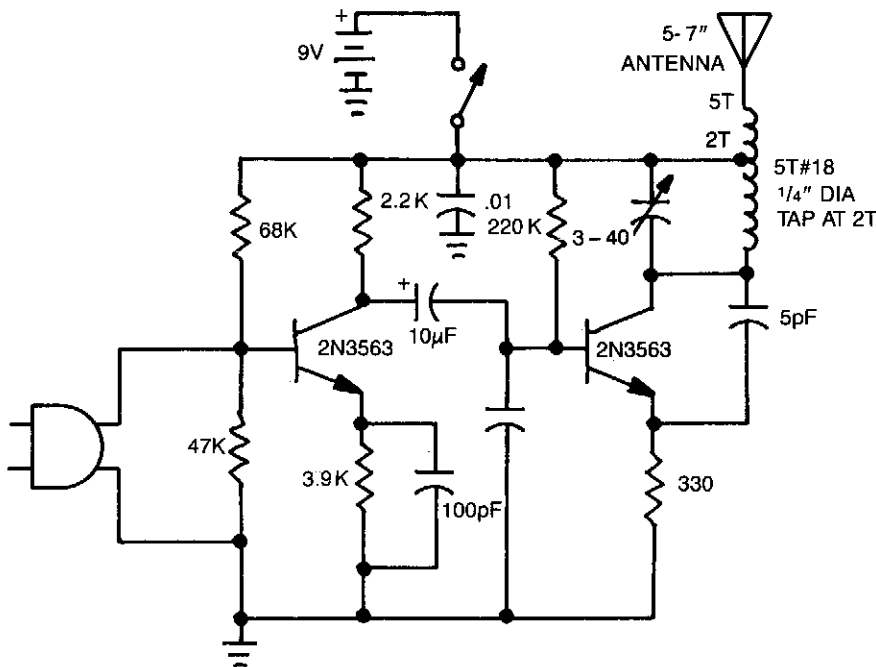


## QRP CW TRANSCEIVER (Cont.)

This is a 3-W, single-circuit board, VFO-controlled CW transceiver for 40 or 30 meters, featuring a direct-conversion receiver with audio filtering, Receiver Incremental Tuning (RIT), and speaker level audio volume. The transmit frequency is generated by Q1 and its associated components in the VFO. The buffer, Q2, isolates the oscillator from the other circuitry to help keep the VFO stable. Q3 builds up the signal to a more usable level. The driver, Q4, amplifies the signal. The final, Q5, amplifies it to the 3-W level.

Key the transmitter by turning the power to the driver on and off, using Q6 as a switching transistor. Select the frequency by varying the tuning capacitor, C2. The VFO frequency feeds into the diode-ring mixer, and is mixed with the incoming 7- or 10-MHz signal. The *difference*, or *produce*, is the audio frequency. The post-mixer circuitry amplifies the audio signal to speaker level: Q8 preamplifies the signal a little, U2 is an audio filter that attenuates the audio signals above about 700 Hz, and U3 amplifies the signal from the audio filter to listening level.

## WIRELESS FM MICROPHONE



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Fig. 115-18

Use standard rf wiring precautions. The best speech clarity is obtained by using an electret microphone. For music reproduction, substitute a dynamic mike element.

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## Tremolo Circuits

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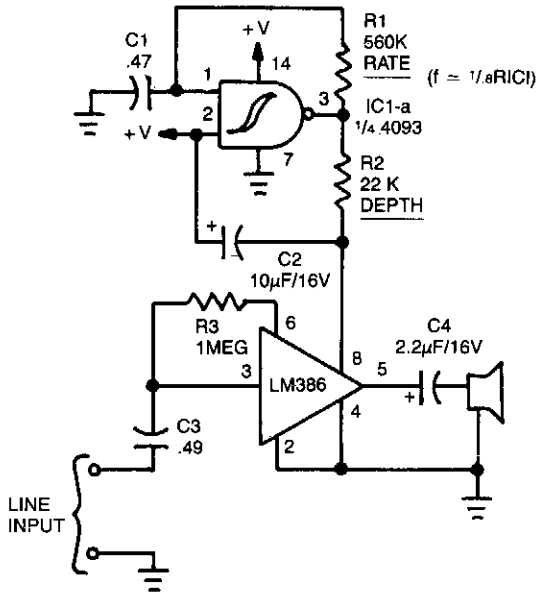
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## TREMOLO



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**Fig. 116-4**

This simple circuit can color the sound coming from your audio system. Clocking for the circuit is provided by an oscillator built from one quarter of a 4093 quad NAND Schmitt trigger. With the component values shown, it will run at about 5 Hz. The clock frequency is fed to the gain control, pin 8, of an LM386 amplifier. Tremolo is produced by varying the amplifier gain. A trimmer potentiometer can be put in series with R1, to easily experiment with different rates. To experiment, make R1 about 100-K $\Omega$  and use a 1-M $\Omega$  trimmer. That allows frequencies from about 2 to 20 Hz to pass. Resistor R2 is the depth control. It controls the degree of tremolo. To adjust, put a trimmer in series with R2. Make R2 a 5-K $\Omega$  unit and use a 50-K $\Omega$  trimmer. Since the tremolo clock uses the gain-control pin of the amplifier, change the value of capacitor C4 in order to change the gain of the amplifier. Make C4 larger to increase the gain or smaller to decrease it. But, don't go any lower than 0.1  $\mu$ F because you'll be cutting into the bottom-end frequency response.

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## Ultrasonics

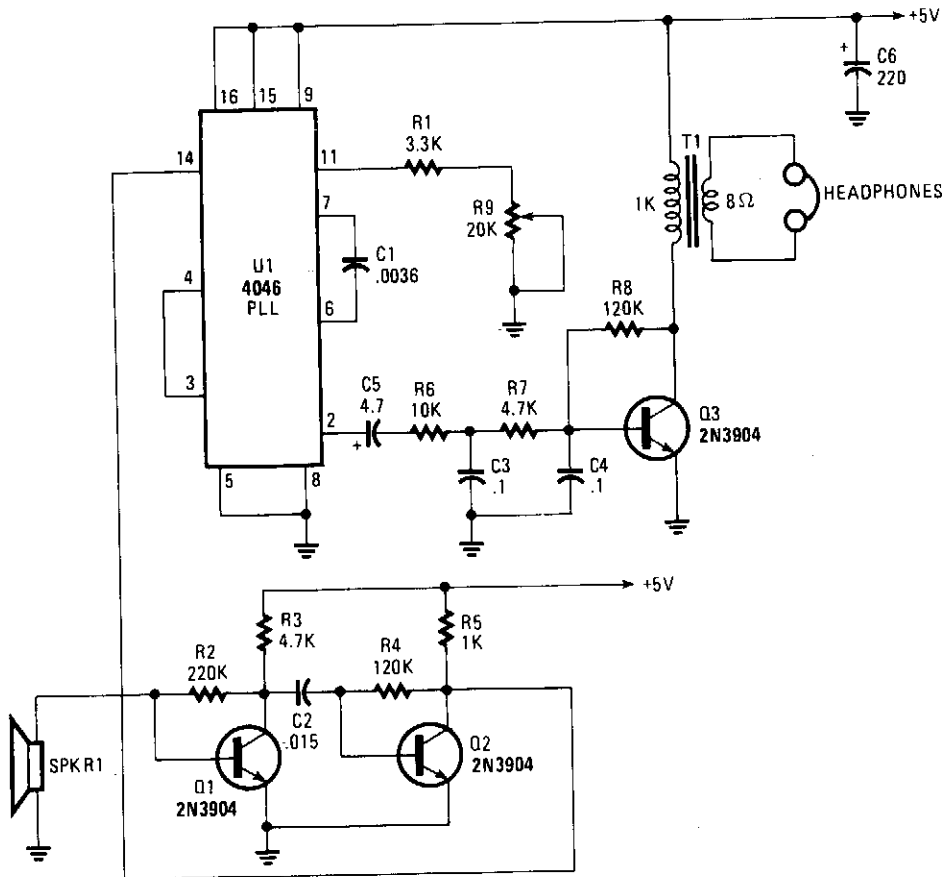
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| Ranging System              | 120-kHz 500-W Induction Heater    |
| Ultrasonic Receiver         | Ultrasonic Transceiver            |
| Ultrasonic Pest-Repeller    | Ultrasonic Receiver               |
| 20-kHz Arc Welding Inverter | Ultrasonic-Pulsed Pest Controller |
| Ultrasonic Transceiver      | Ultrasonic Pest Controller        |
| Sonar Transducer/Switch     |                                   |



## ULTRASONIC RECEIVER



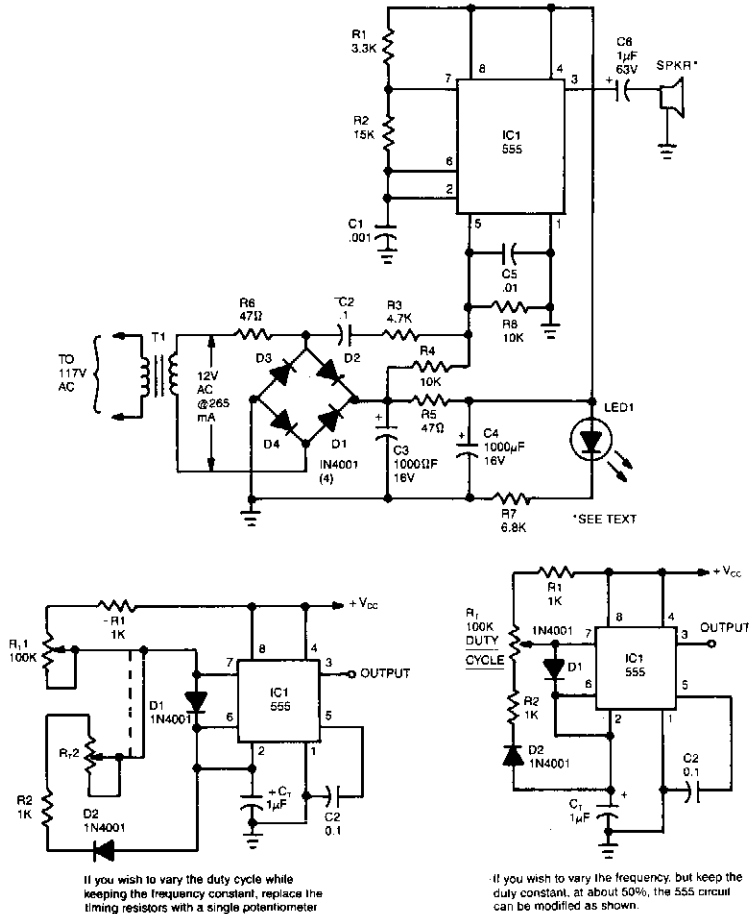
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Fig. 117-2

The 4046 PPL is used as the heart of a tunable ultrasonic receiver that can be used to locate unheard ultrasonic sounds. The receiver might also be used, along with a simple ultrasonic generator, to send and receive Morse code. The incoming ultrasonic signal is picked up by piezo speaker SPKR1, and amplified by transistors Q1 and Q2. The output is fed to the phase comparator input of U1 at pin 14. The chip's interval VCO is tuned by turning potentiometer R9.

If a 20-kHz signal is picked up by SPKR1 and the VCO is tuned to produce a 19-kHz signal the difference output at pin 2 will be 1 kHz. That 1-kHz signal is amplified by Q3 and coupled through T1 to a pair of headphones. If the received frequency increases to 22 kHz, a 3-kHz tone is heard in the headphones. With the values given in the parts list for C1, R1, and R9, the VCO can be tuned from 12 to well over 42 kHz, which should cover just about anything the piezo sensor can respond to.

## ULTRASONIC PEST-REPELLER



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**Fig. 117-3**

This circuit is a 555 timer IC connected as a square-wave generator. Its base frequency is approximately 45 kHz, as determined by the values of R1, R2, and C1. The 45-kHz *carrier* is frequency modulated by a modified trapezoidal voltage waveform applied to pin 5 of the 555 timer. That modulating voltage is developed by a network consisting of C2, R3, and R4 connected across one leg of the bridge rectifier. The sweep is approximately 20 kHz on each side of the base frequency. The speaker is a 2-inch piezoelectric tweeter.

## 20-kHz ARC WELDING INVERTER

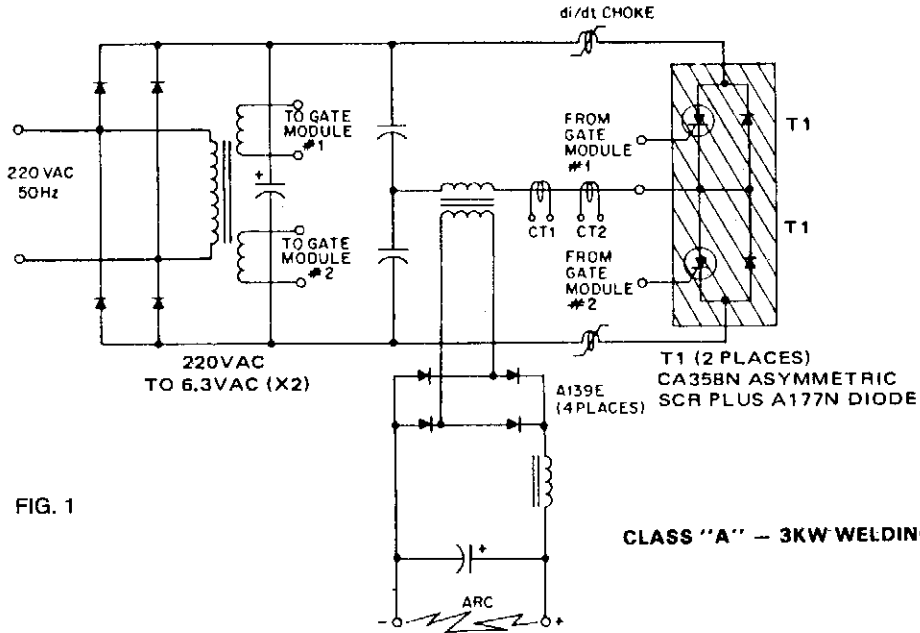


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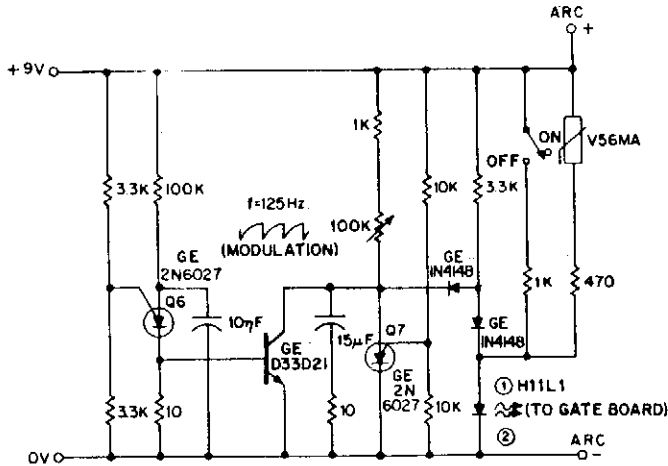
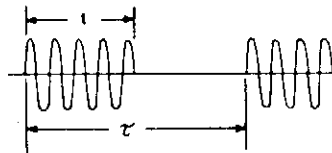


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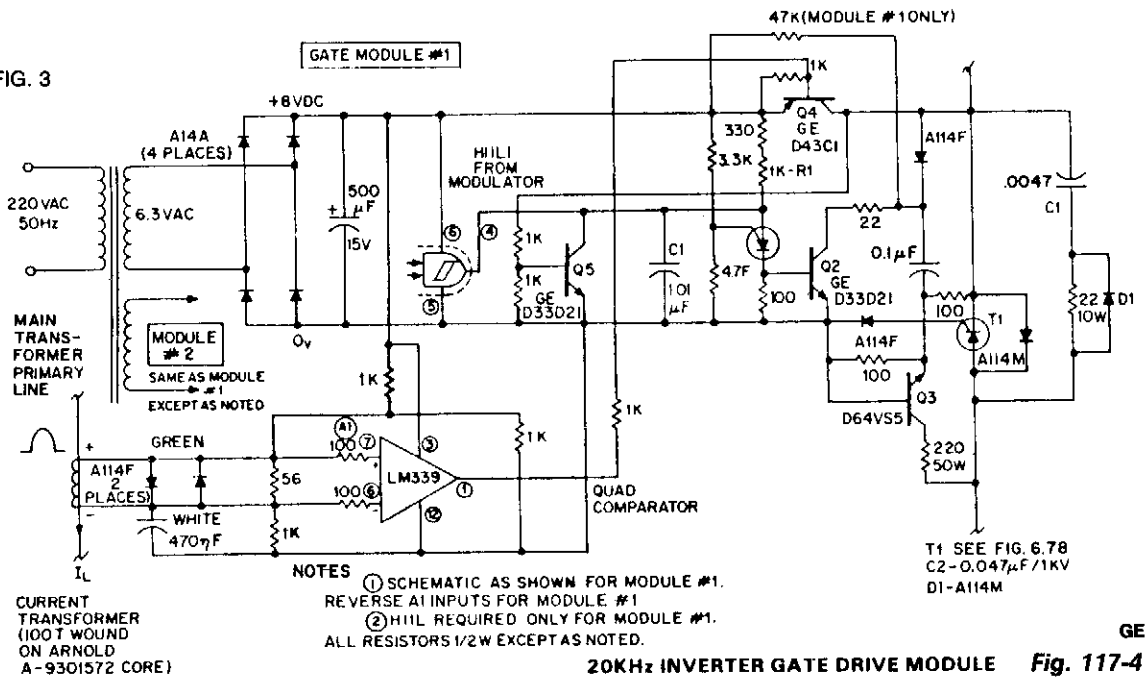
**POWER MODULATOR (WITH ON-OFF SWITCH & OPEN CIRCUIT PROTECTION)**

OUTPUT POWER =  $(\frac{t}{T}) \times P$   
 WHERE P = 100% OUTPUT FROM INVERTER.

The Class A series resonant inverter portrayed is well-known and respected for its high efficiency, low cost, and small size, provided that operating frequency is greater than about 3 kHz. The disadvantages are, at least in high power versions, the difficulty in effecting smooth RFI-free output voltage modulation

## 20-KHz ARC WELDING INVERTER (Cont.)

FIG. 3



without significant added complexity, and a natural tendency to *run away* under no-load (high  $Q$ ) conditions.

The 20-kHz control circuit (see Fig. 2) overcomes these shortcomings by feeding back into the asymmetrical thyristor trigger pulse generators (see Fig. 3) signals that simultaneously shut the inverter down, when its output voltage exceeds a preset threshold, then time-ratio modulates the output. This feedback is accomplished with full galvanic isolation between input and output thanks to an H11L opto-Schmitt coupler. The fundamental 20-kHz gate firing pulses are generated by a PUT relaxation oscillator Q1. The pulses are then amplified by transistors Q2 and Q3. The 20-kHz sinusoidal load current flowing in the primary of the output transformer is then detected by current transformer CT1, with op amp A1 converting the sine wave into a square wave, whose transitions coincide with the load current zero points.

Consequently, each time the output current changes, phase A1 also changes state and, via transistor Q4, either connects the thyristor gate to a  $-8$  Vdc supply for minimum *gate assisted* turn-off time and highest reapplied  $dV/dt$  capability or disables this supply to prepare the thyristor for subsequent firing.

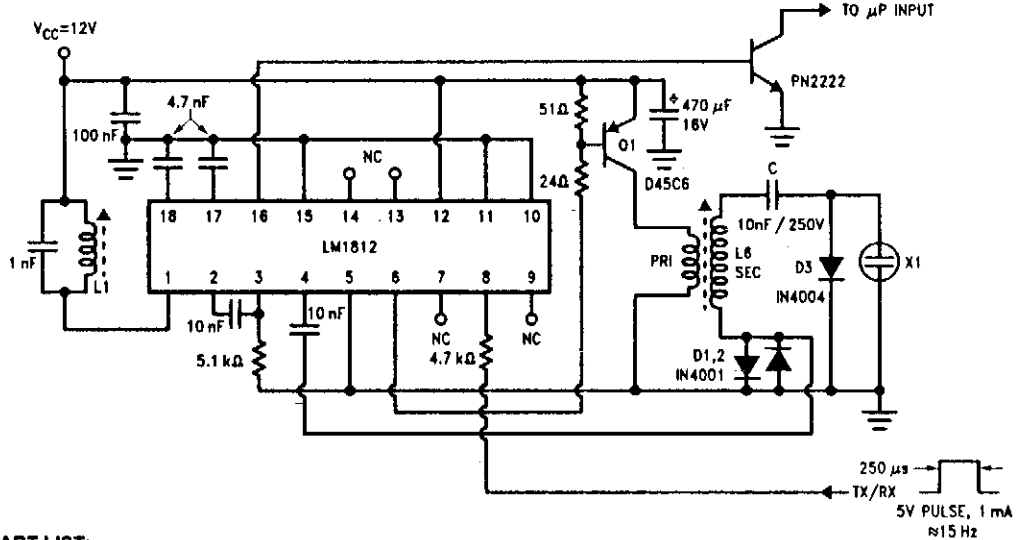
Modulation intelligence is coupled into this same H11L through two additional PUTs, Q6 and Q7, Q6 oscillates at a fixed 1.25 kHz, which establishes the modulation frequency. The duty cycle is determined by a second oscillator, Q7, whose conduction state, on or off, establishes or removes current from the H11L diode. With a fundamental inverter frequency of 20 kHz and a modulation frequency of 1.25 kHz, the resultant time ratio-controlled power output is given by:

$$P_{OUT} = \left( P_M \times \frac{t}{\tau} \right)$$

where  $P_M = 100\%$  continuous output power. Minimum power is one cycle of 20 kHz ( $50 \mu s$ ) in the 1.25-kHz modulation frame ( $800 \mu s$ ), that is,  $6.25\% P_M$ .



## ULTRASONIC TRANSCIEVER



### PART LIST:

|    |  |            |
|----|--|------------|
| L1 | 15.8 mH adjustable. #CLN-2A900HM   | TOKO       |
| L6 | PRIMARY 8 TURNS #24*<br>SECONDARY 110 TURNS #30*<br>POTCORE RM8P-A630-3B7<br>BOBBIN RM8 PCB1-4<br>CLIPS 991-393-00 | FERROXCUBE |
| X1 | POLAROID TRANSDUCER  | POLAROID   |
| Q1 | D45C6 $I_C = 5A_{min}$ $V_{CBO} = 40V_{min}$   | NSC        |
| C  | 250V, 10 nF MYLAR  | —          |

\*If machine wound, slightly larger wire sizes may be used.

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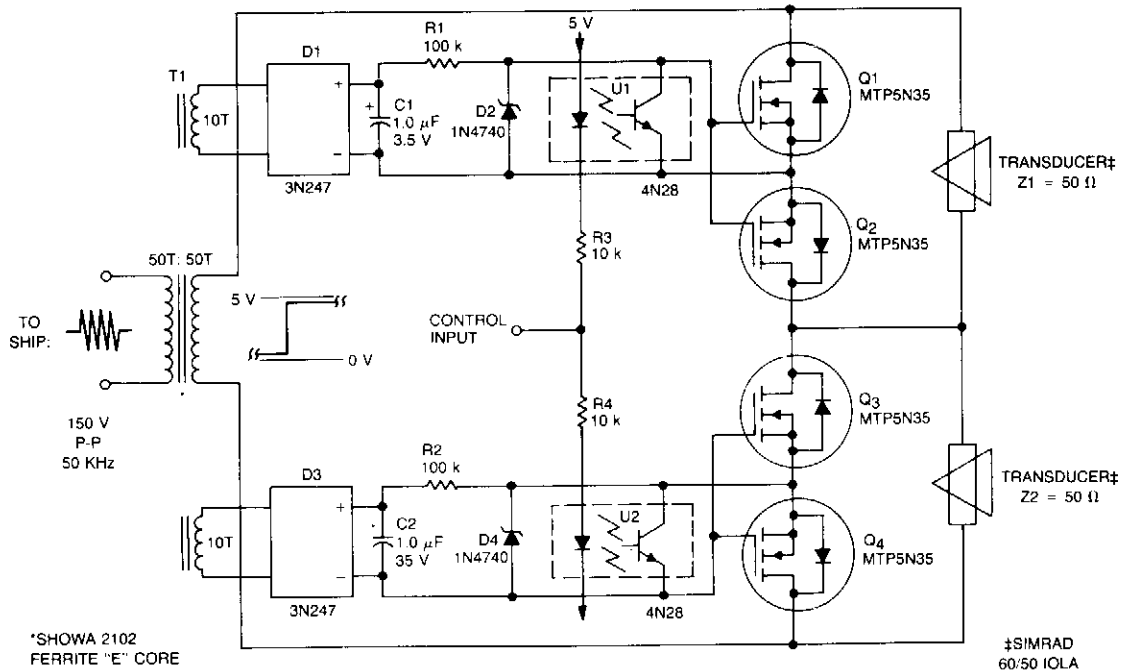
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**Fig. 117-5**

The LM1812 is a complete ultrasonic transceiver on a chip designed for use in a variety of pulse-echo ranging applications. The chip operates by transmitting a burst of oscillations with a transducer, then using the same transducer to listen for a return echo. If an echo of sufficient amplitude is received, the LM1812 detector puts out a pulse of approximately the same width as the original burst. The closer the reflecting object, the earlier the return echo. Echos could be received immediately after the initial burst was transmitted, except for the fact that the transducer *rings*.

When transmitting, the transducer is excited with several hundred volts peak to peak, and it operates in a *loudspeaker* mode. Then, when the LM1812 stops transmitting and begins to receive, the transducer continues to vibrate or ring, even though excitation has stopped. The transducer acts as a microphone and produces an ac signal initially the same amplitude as the transmit pulse. This signal dies away as is governed by the transducer's damping factor, but as long as detectable ringing remains, the LM1812's detector will be held on, masking any return echos.

## SONAR TRANSDUCER/SWITCH



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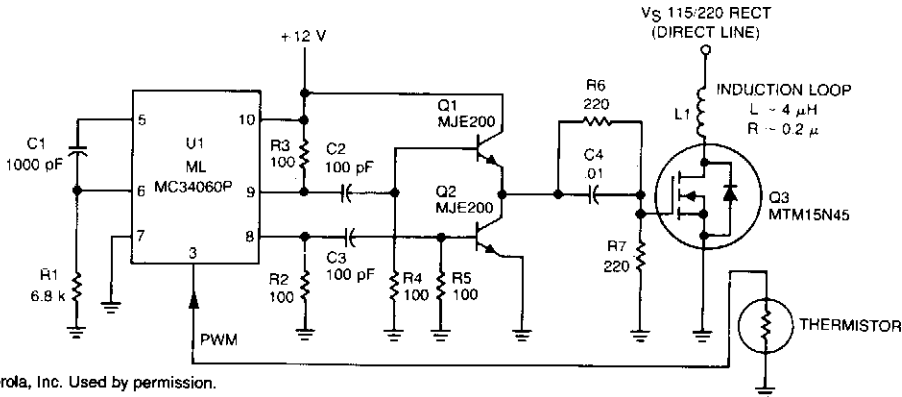
**Fig. 117-6**

This submersible sonar positioning apparatus generally consists of dual-opposed ultrasonic transducers, alternately excited, with return signals processed and displayed for observation and measurement. Typical transmitter frequencies range from 50 to 200 kHz and pulse widths can be varied from 0.3 to 5 ms, depending on depth and resolution requirements.

The input to the transducer/switch is transformer T1 which provides isolation and impedance matching. The turn ratio of the secondary windings depends on the peak-to-peak amplitude of the transmitter output into the specified load. The transmitted pulse that appears on the secondary winding charges capacitors C1 and C2 through bridge rectifiers D1 and D3. Zener diodes D2 and D4 limit the TMOS gate bias to 12 V; R1 and R2 limit the discharge current from C1 and C2.

The square-wave control input is applied to opto-isolators U1 and U2 through resistors R3 and R4. If the control input is 0 V, U1 is activated; when it changes to +5 V, U2 is activated. When U1 is activated, it saturates and reduces the gate bias to zero, turning Q1 and Q2 off. Q3 and Q4 remain on, effectively shunting transducer Z2. When U2 is activated, it saturates and reduces the bias to zero, turning Q3 and Q4 off. Q1 and Q2 remain on, effectively shunting transducer Z1.

## 120-kHz 500-W INDUCTION HEATER



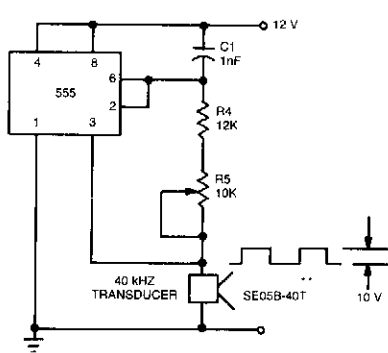
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Fig. 117-7

Variable width pulses with fast rise times are provided by U1, and MC34060 operating at 120 kHz, the optimum frequency for heating aluminum alloy containers. The pulse width is modulated by sensing the temperature of the target with a thermistor, using its negative temperature coefficient to change pulse duration. The MC34060 produces output pulses that are ac-coupled to push-pull MJE200 transistors Q1 and Q2. This IC provides the current needed to ensure fast switching for MTM15N45 TMOS power FET Q3.

The estimated efficiency is 80%, based on switching losses and an  $R_{ON}$  of 0.4  $\Omega$  (max). The MTM15N45, with maximum ratings of 15 A and 450 V, was chosen because the induction heater might be operated from either 115 or 220 V sources. A modest heatsink is required because 100 W is dissipated in the power FETs at a full-output power of 500 W.

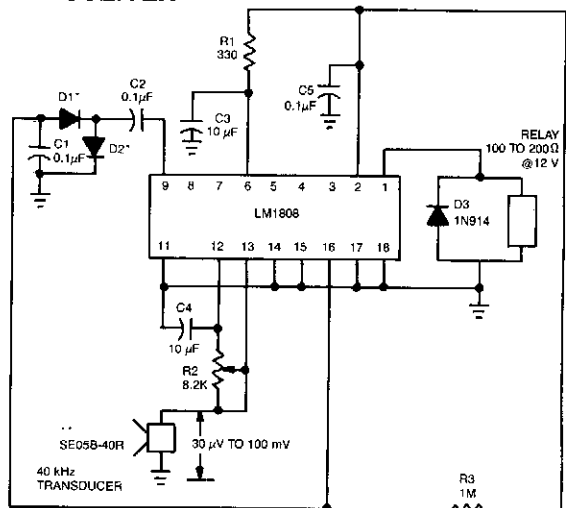
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Fig. 117-8

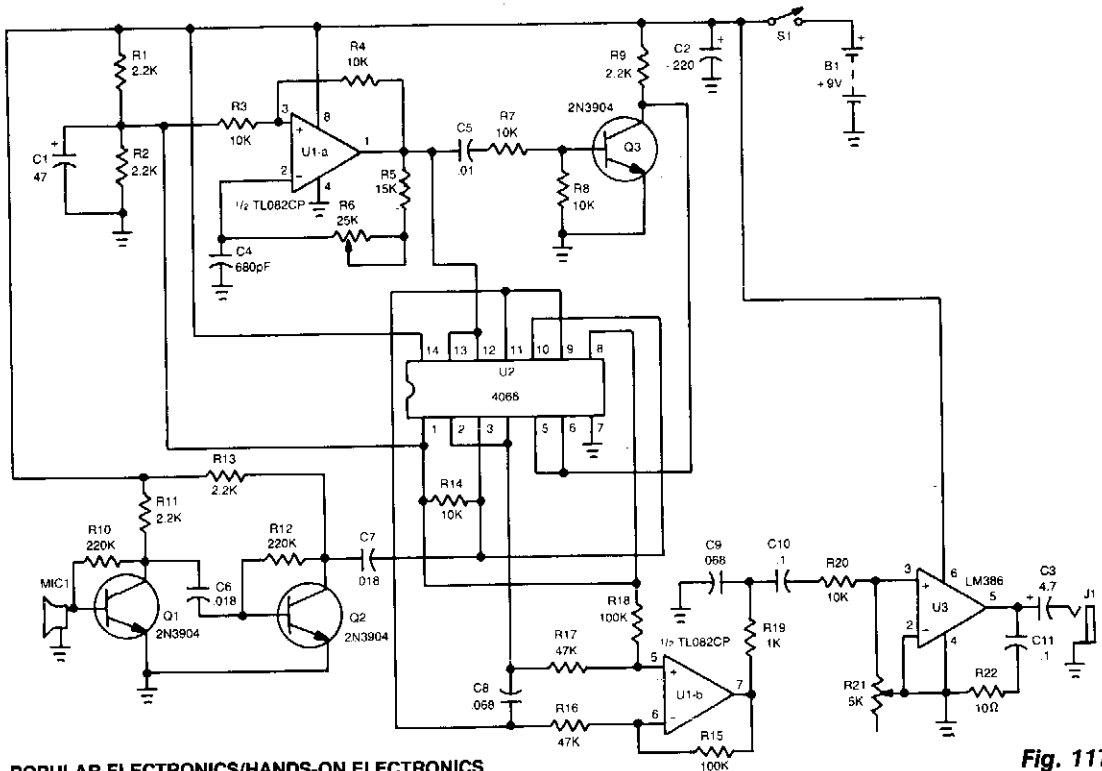
This ultrasonic transmit/receive circuit operates at 40 kHz. Control resistor R5 adjusts the frequency for best performance with the transducers used.



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## ULTRASONIC RECEIVER



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Fig. 117-9

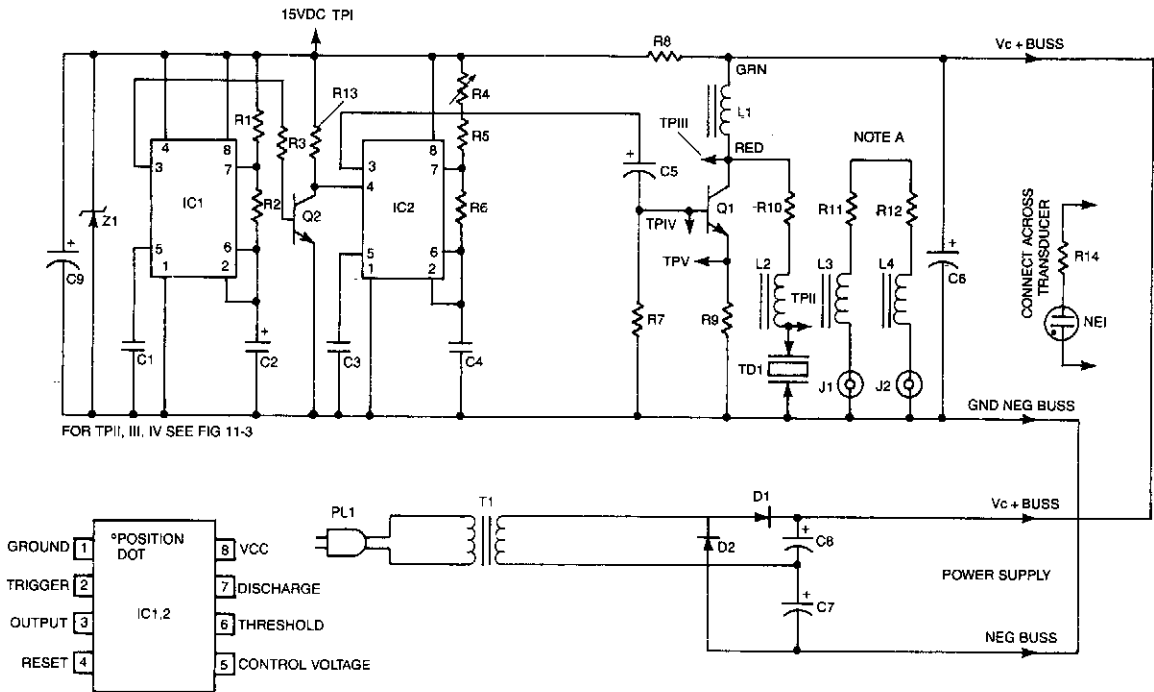
The piezo speaker, MIC1, picks up the incoming ultrasonic signal and feeds it to the base of Q1. The two-transistor booster amplifier, Q1 and Q2, raises the signal to a level that is sufficient to drive one input of this most unusual mixer circuit.

Integrated circuit U2, a quad bilateral switch, functions as an extremely clean balanced-mixer circuit for the superheterodyne receiver. Integrated circuit U1a,  $1/2$  of a dual op amp, is connected in a variable-frequency square-wave oscillator circuit. Resistors R5, R6, and capacitor C4 determine the frequency and tuning range of the oscillator.

The oscillator's square-wave output is fed along two paths. In one path, the output of U1a is input to pins 12 and 13 of U2. In the other path, the signal is fed to the base of Q3, which is configured as an inverter. The inverter outputs a signal that is  $180^\circ$  out-of-phase with the input signal. The inverted output of Q3 is then fed to U2 at pins 5 and 6. There, the two input signals, the ultrasonic input from MIC1 and the oscillator output, are mixed. The mixing of the ultrasonic input and the square-wave signal produces an audible product that is fed to the input of a differential amplifier, U1b, the second half of the dual op amp, which has a voltage gain of two. The output of U1b at pin 7 is filtered by R19 and C9 to remove the high-frequency content of the mixed signal.

Only the difference frequency is important; the sum frequency, the incoming ultrasonic signal added to the oscillator frequency, is too high for the human ear to hear. The sum frequency is removed by R19 and C9 to produce a clean output signal to feed power-amplifier U3. Resistor R21 functions as the circuit's volume control.

## ULTRASONIC-PULSED PEST CONTROLLER



Note a-R11, L3, J1 and R12, L4, J2 are for extra station transducers. Each station should be a similar cabinet with transducer mounted as shown in Fig. 11-3. Use of interconnecting cable strain reliefs, jack or whatever, left up to builder. Station transducers connected same as TD1.

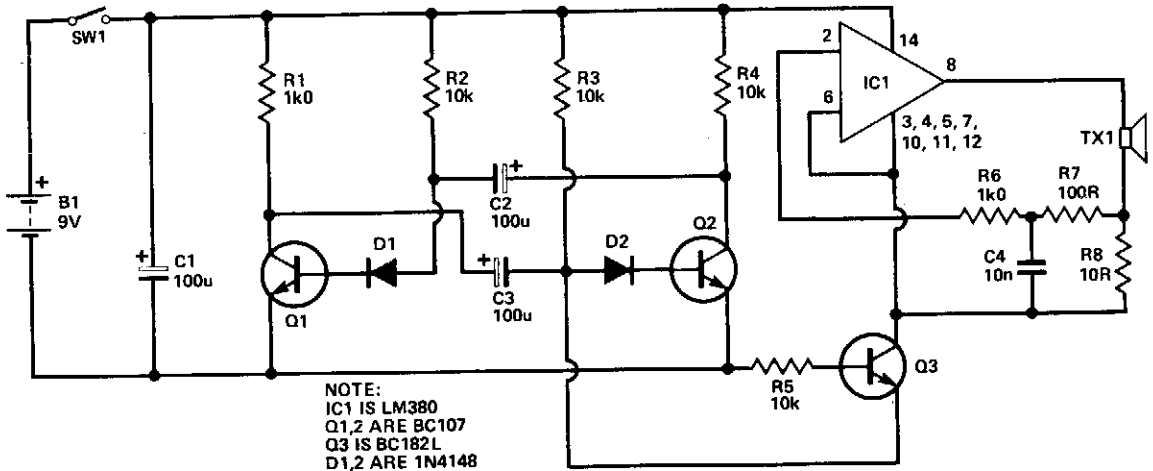
Use sleeving or tubing on any interconnecting wires that are potentially close to one another or on wire jump bridges. Use component leads wherever possible.

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**Fig. 117-10**

IC2 forms a stable oscillator whose frequency and pulse width is determined by the values of R4, R5, R6, and C4. R4 is made adjustable for precise frequency setting. The output of IC2 is pin 3, which is capacitively coupled to the base of Q1. L1 acts as a high-impedance choke to the signal, while allowing the collector of Q1 to be dc-biased. Q1 amplifies the positive pulses from IC2 and step drives the series resonant combination of L2 and TD1. Resistor R10 serves to broaden the response of this resonant circuit. L2 and the inherent capacity of the transducer, TD1, forms a resonant circuit at around 23 kHz. It is usually found that most rodents are bothered when the signal is pulsed with the off exceeding the on time. This timing is accomplished via timer IC1 and timer inverter Q2. IC1 is free running and its periods are determined by R1, R2, and C2 to be approximately two seconds off and two seconds on. The periods are inverted via Q2 and used to gate pin 4 of IC2, the frequency oscillator, turning it on for two seconds and off for three seconds. The power supply is a conventional voltage doubler with a zener regulator for the oscillator voltages.

## ULTRASONIC PEST CONTROLLER



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Fig. 117-11

This circuit consists of two basic parts: an oscillator tuned to 40 kHz, and a voltage doubler with pulse generator. The pulses are about 10 ms long and occur 2–3 per s to reduce battery drain and increase the annoyance factor for a cat, dog, hedgehog, etc. The voltage doubling action increases the available output power for any given battery voltage.

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## Video Amplifiers

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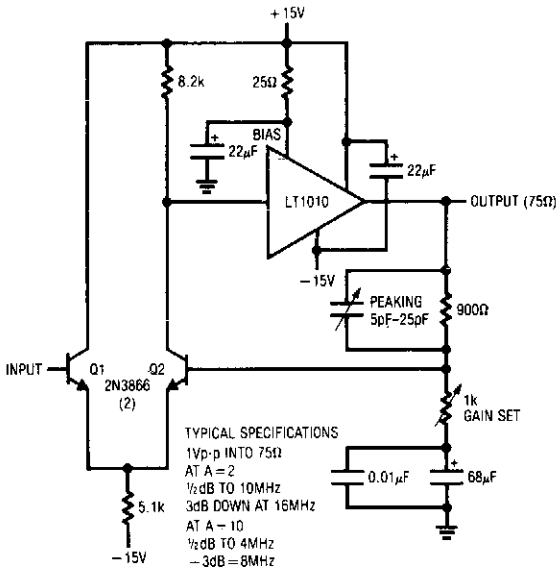
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- RGB Video Amplifier
- Video Line Driving Amplifier
- Summing Amplifier/Clamping Circuit
- Dc Gain-Controlled Video Amplifier
- 75- $\Omega$  Video Pulse Amplifier
- Video Gain Block
- Low-Distortion Video Buffer





## VIDEO LINE DRIVING AMPLIFIER



Q1 and Q2 form a differential stage which single-ends into the LT1010. The capacitively terminated feedback divider gives the circuit a dc gain of 1, while allowing ac gains up to 10. Using a 20-Ω bias resistor, the circuit delivers 1 V pk-pk into a typical 75-Ω video load. For applications sensitive to NTSC requirements, dropping the bias resistor value will aid performance. At  $A = 2$ , the gain is within 0.5 dB to 10 MHz and the -3 dB point occurs at 16 MHz. At  $A = 10$ , the gain is flat, within  $\pm 0.5$  dB to 4 MHz, and the -3 dB point occurs at 8 MHz. The peaking adjustment should be optimized under loaded output conditions.

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Fig. 118-2

## SUMMING AMPLIFIER/CLAMPING CIRCUIT

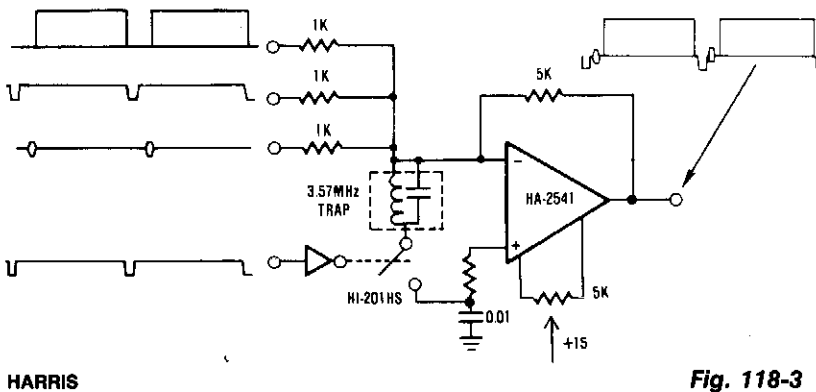


Fig. 118-3

This circuit is a traditional summing amplifier configuration with the addition of the dc clamping circuit. The operation is quite simple; each component—synchronization, color burst, picture information, etc.—of the composite video signal is applied to its own input terminal of the amplifier. These signals combine algebraically and form the composite signal at the output. The clamping circuit, if used, restores the 0-V reference of the composite signal.

## DC GAIN-CONTROLLED VIDEO AMPLIFIER

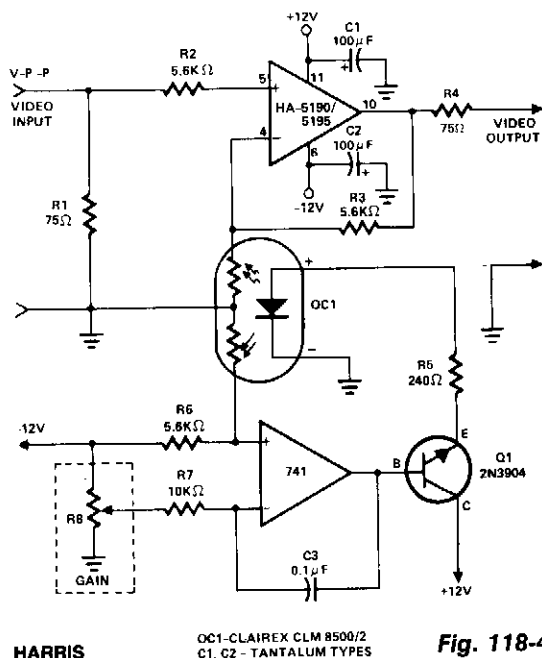


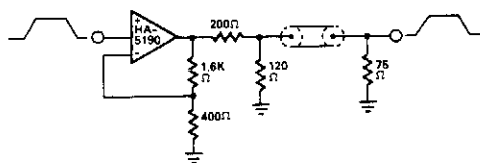
Fig. 118-4

This amplifier employs a cascaded op amp integrator and transistor buffer, Q1, to drive the gain control element. Except for a simple modification, the HA-5190/5195 stage is connected as a conventional noninverting op amp, and includes input and output impedance matching resistors R1 and R4,

respectively, series stabilization resistor R2, and power supply bypass capacitors C1 and C2. The circuit differs from standard designs in that the gain control network includes a photoresistor, part of OC1. The optocoupler/isolator OC1 contains two matched photoresistors, both activated by a common LED. The effective resistances offered by these devices are inversely proportional to the light emitted by the LED. One photoresistor is part, with R3, of the HA-5190/5195 gain network, while the other forms a voltage-divider with R6 to control the bias applied to the integrator noninverting terminal.

In operation, the dc voltage supplied by gain control R8 is applied to the integrator inverting input terminal through input resistor R7. Depending on the relative magnitude of the control voltage, the integrator output will either charge or discharge C3. This change in output, amplified by Q1, controls the current supplied to the OC1 LED through series limiting resistor R5. The action continues until the voltage applied to the integrator noninverting input by the R6—photoresistor gain network is changing, adjusting the op amp stage gain. As the control voltage at R8 is readjusted, the OC1 photoresistances track these changes, automatically readjusting the op amp in accordance with the new control voltage setting.

## 75-Ω VIDEO PULSE AMPLIFIER



HARRIS

Fig. 118-5

HA-5190 can drive the 75-Ω coaxial cable with signals up to 2.5 V pk-pk without the need for current boosting. In this circuit, the overall gain is approximately unity because of the impedance matching network.

## VIDEO GAIN BLOCK

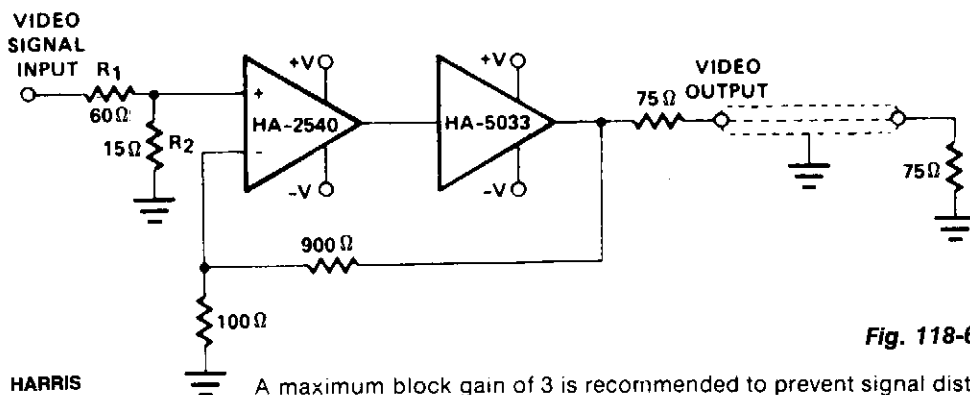


Fig. 118-6

HARRIS

A maximum block gain of 3 is recommended to prevent signal distortion.

This configuration utilizes the wide bandwidth and speed of HA-2540, plus the output capability of HA-5033. Stabilization circuitry is avoided by operating HA-2540 at a closed loop gain of 10, while maintaining an overall block gain of unity. However, gain of the block can be varied using the equation:

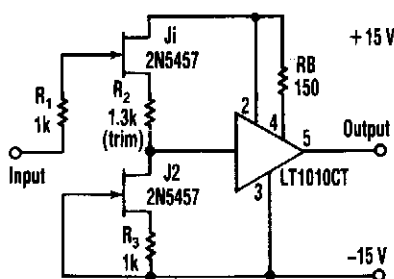
$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = 5 \frac{R2}{(R1 + R2)}$$

$$\text{where } R1 + R2 = 75 \Omega$$

A maximum block gain of 3 is recommended to prevent signal distortion.

This circuit was tested for differential phase and differential gain using a Tektronix 520A vector scope and a Tektronix 146 video signal generator. Both differential phase and differential gain were too small to be measured.

## LOW-DISTORTION VIDEO BUFFER



J1/J2 matched at  $I_d = 0.5$  mA.  
Trim  $R_2$  (if necessary) for zero dc at output.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 118-7

This buffer amplifier's overall harmonic distortion is a low 0.01% or less at 3-V rms output into a 500-Ω load with no overall feedback. The LT1010CT offers a 100 V/μs slew rate, a 20 MHz video bandwidth, and 100 mA of output. A pair of JFETs, J1 and J2 are preselected for a nominal

match at the bias level of the linearized source-follower input stage, at about 0.5 mA. The source-bias resistor,  $R_2$ , of J1 is somewhat larger than  $R_3$  so that it can drop a larger voltage and cancel the LT1010CT's offset. J1 and J2 provide an untrimmed dc offset of ±50 mV or less. Swapping J1 and J2 or trimming the  $R_2$  value can give a finer match.

The circuit's overall harmonic distortion is low: 0.01% or less at 3-V rms output into a 500-Ω load with no overall feedback. The circuit's response to a ±5 V, 10 kHz square-wave input, band-limited to 1 μs, has no overshoot. If needed, setting bias resistor  $R_B$  lower can accommodate even steeper input-signal slopes and drive lower impedance loads with high linearity. The main trade-off for both objectives is more power dissipation. A secondary trade-off is the need for retrimming the source-bias resistor,  $R_2$ .

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## Video Circuits

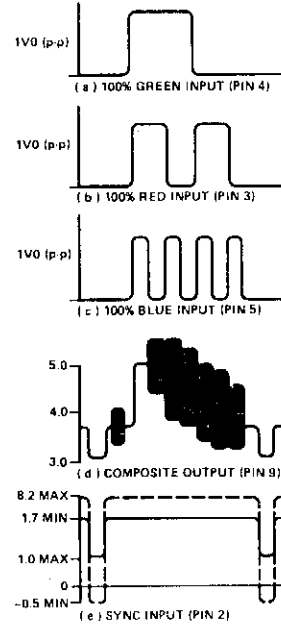
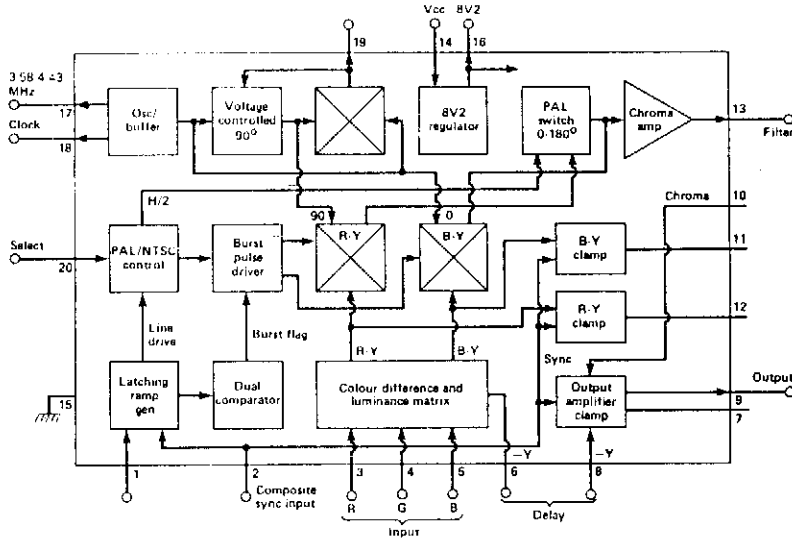
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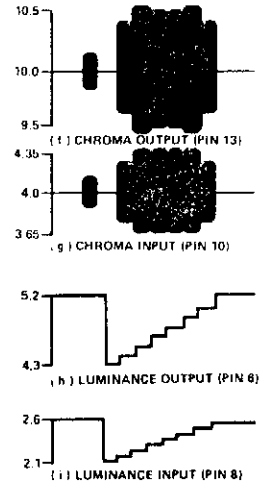
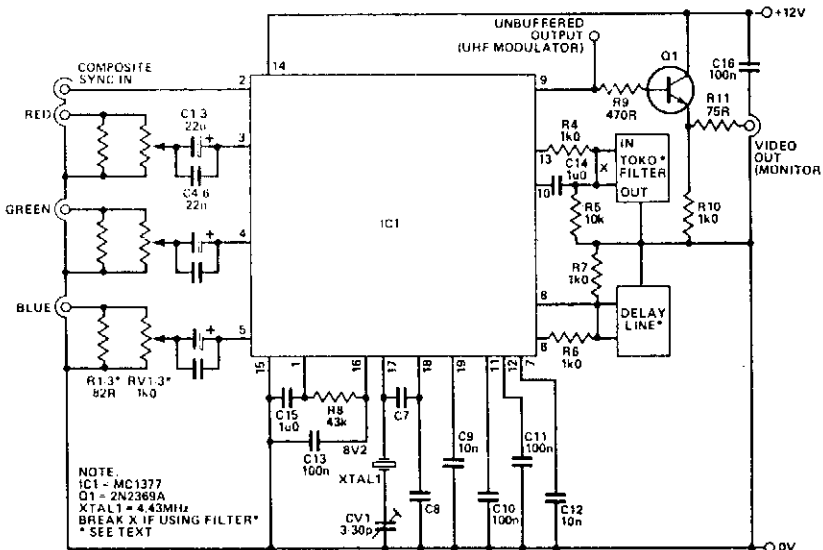
RGB-Composite Converter  
Single-Supply Wide-Range Sync Separator  
Chroma Demodulator with RGB Matrix  
Composite-Video Signal Text Adder  
PAL/NTSC Decoder with RGB Inputs  
Wireless Video Camera Link  
Video Switch with Very High Off Isolation  
Video Palette

Picture Fixer/Inverter  
Video Dc Restorer  
Color TV Crosshatch Generator  
General Purpose Video Switch  
Video Signal Clamp  
Automatic Video Switch  
High-Performance Video Switch

## RGB-COMPOSITE CONVERTER



BLOCK DIAGRAM OF THE MC1377P ENCODER IC.



CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF THE CONVERTER.

The signals that should appear at the test points around the chip.

The incoming RGB inputs are terminated with resistors R1, R2, and R3 and potentiometers RV1, RV2, and RV3. These provide input impedances of approximately 75  $\Omega$ . The presets should be adjusted to provide a maximum input of 1 V pk-pk into the MC1377. The inputs are ac-coupled into the encoder; the large value capacitor is required for the 60 Hz field component.

## RGB-COMPOSITE CONVERTER (Cont.)

The Colpitts oscillator for the color burst is formed around pins 17 and 18. About 0.5 V pk-pk should appear on pin 17 and 0.25 V rms into pin 18 with the oscillator components removed. The incoming composite sync signal at pin 2 should be negative-going. The device will accept CMOS and TTL directly. If it is necessary to ac-couple the sync, then a pull-up to 8.2 V is required—a regulated 8.2 V is provided on pin 16.

From the composite sync input, the MC1377 generates a ramp which it uses to provide the burst gate pulse. The slope of this ramp can be varied by a potentiometer on pin 1. However, a preset value, shown as 43 K $\Omega$ , is usually sufficient. The chrominance filter should be fitted between pins 13 and 10. If the filter is not used, a compensatory potential divider should be fitted (both are shown). We used a prealigned Toko bandpass filter centered on 4.43 MHz. If the chroma filter is fitted, the delay through it, 400 ns, has to be compensated for by a luminance delay line between pins 6 and 8. This line is shorted out if the filter is not fitted. The composite video output from the IC is buffered to provide a low-impedance drive for a monitor, or it can be applied directly to a UHF modulator commonly used in computers.

### SINGLE-SUPPLY WIDE-RANGE SYNC SEPARATOR

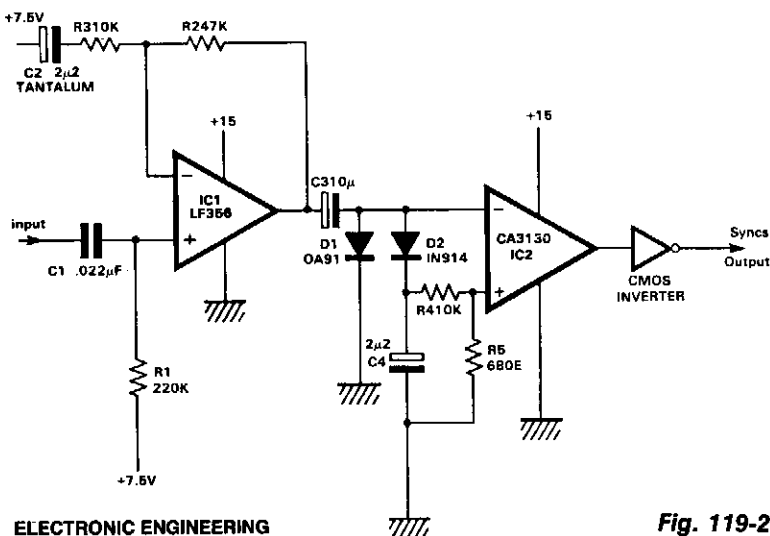


Fig. 119-2

This circuit extracts the sync pulses from a video signal over a wide range of amplitudes and operates a single +15 V supply. IC1 buffers and amplifies the incoming signal and applies it via C3 to the peak detector, consisting of D2 and C4. It is also applied to one input of a comparator, IC2. The other input of IC2 is set at a voltage corresponding to about 0.065 of the peak video amplitude, by the divider R4/R5. The trigger points of IC2 are set near the bottom of the sync pulses which help prevent spurious noise. These resistors also leak across C4, so they must be chosen as a compromise between excessive ripple and speed of response to falling signal levels. The IC2 output swings between 0 and 15 V and is conveniently CMOS compatible, but further buffering is advisable, hence the CMOS inverter. Maximum input amplitude is set by saturating IC1's output. The minimum acceptable level is set by the forward voltage drop of the dc restoring clamp D1, which should be either a germanium (as shown) or a Schottky diode.

## CHROMA DEMODULATOR WITH RGB MATRIX

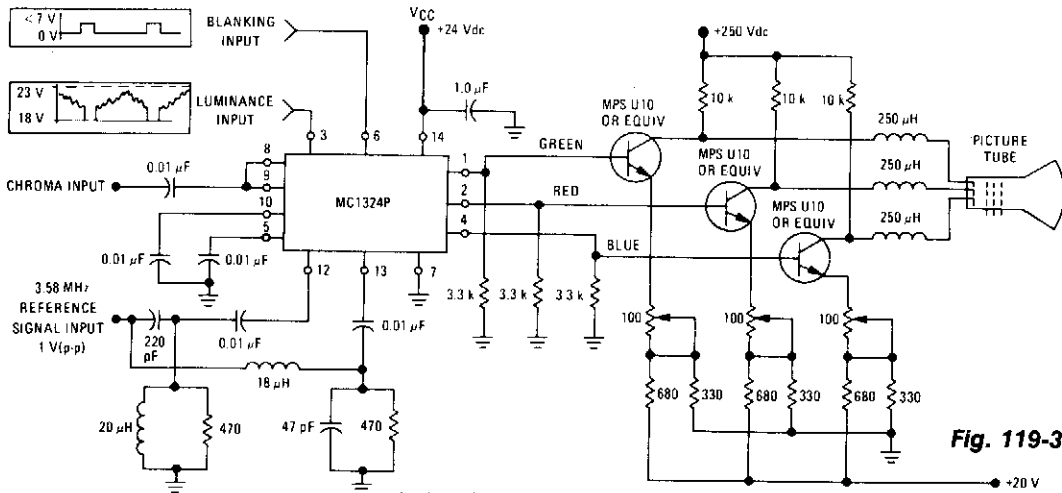


Fig. 119-3

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A typical application is given above to indicate the requirements and output functions of this chroma demodulator.

The MC1324 provides chroma demodulation recovering recoding the R, G, and B signals to drive video amps for each color difference signal. The luminance signal and chrominance signal are matrixed to get the R, G, and B signals.

## COMPOSITE-VIDEO SIGNAL TEXT ADDER

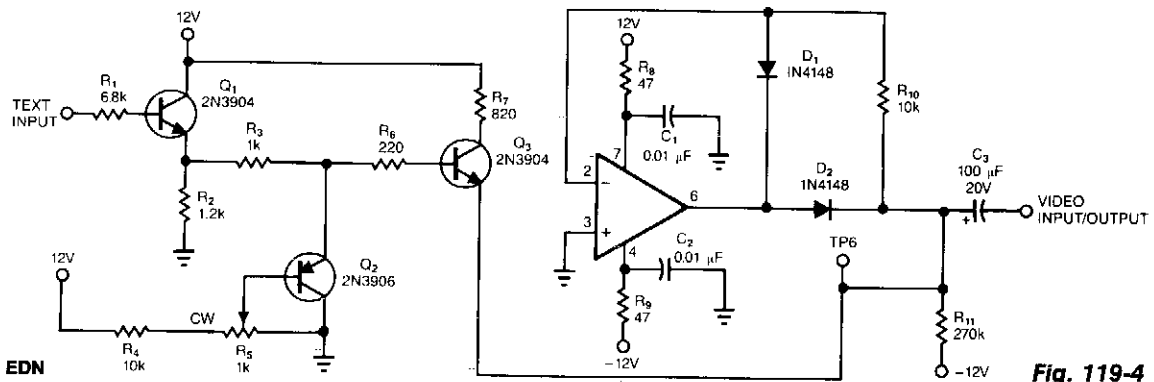


Fig. 119-4

This circuit shows a simple way to add text information to a composite-video signal that might be floating at some indeterminate dc level. The text generator and composite-video source must have the same sync signal. The video-input and -output signals share the same terminal. C3 couples the video signal to the output of a rectifier circuit that is based on a subvideo-speed op amp. A faster op amp would clamp on individual sync pulses rather than on the video waveform's average value, as is desired. R11 serves as a pull-down resistor and feedback resistor R10 ensures that TP6 remains at ground level. Emitter follower Q1 buffers the text signal, and R5 serves as a gain control. A simple clamp circuit, Q2, is sufficient for regulating amplitude, because the text signal contains no gray-scale levels. Q3 couples the text signal into the op-amp clamp circuit.

# PAL/NTSC DECODER WITH RGB INPUTS

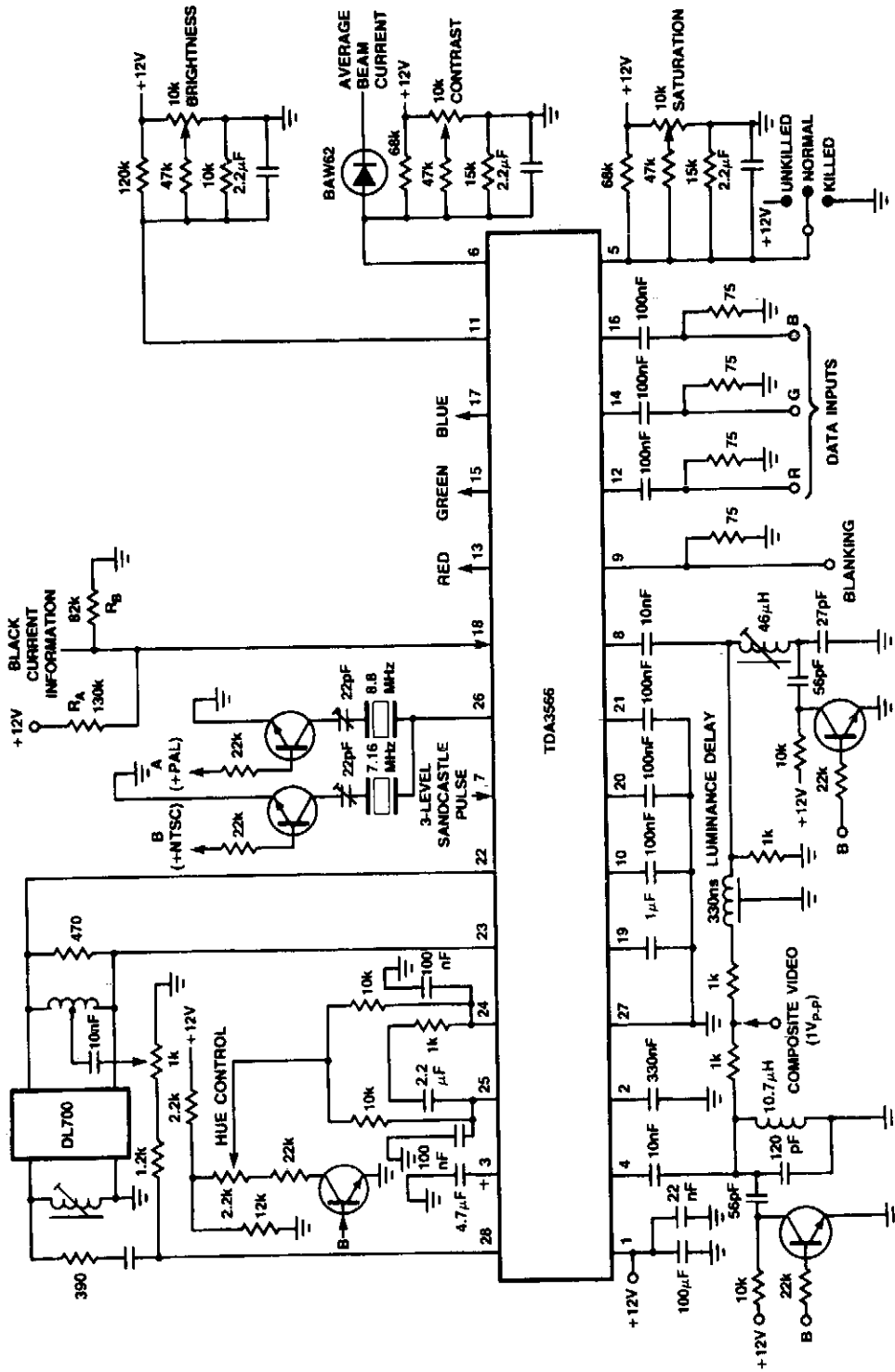


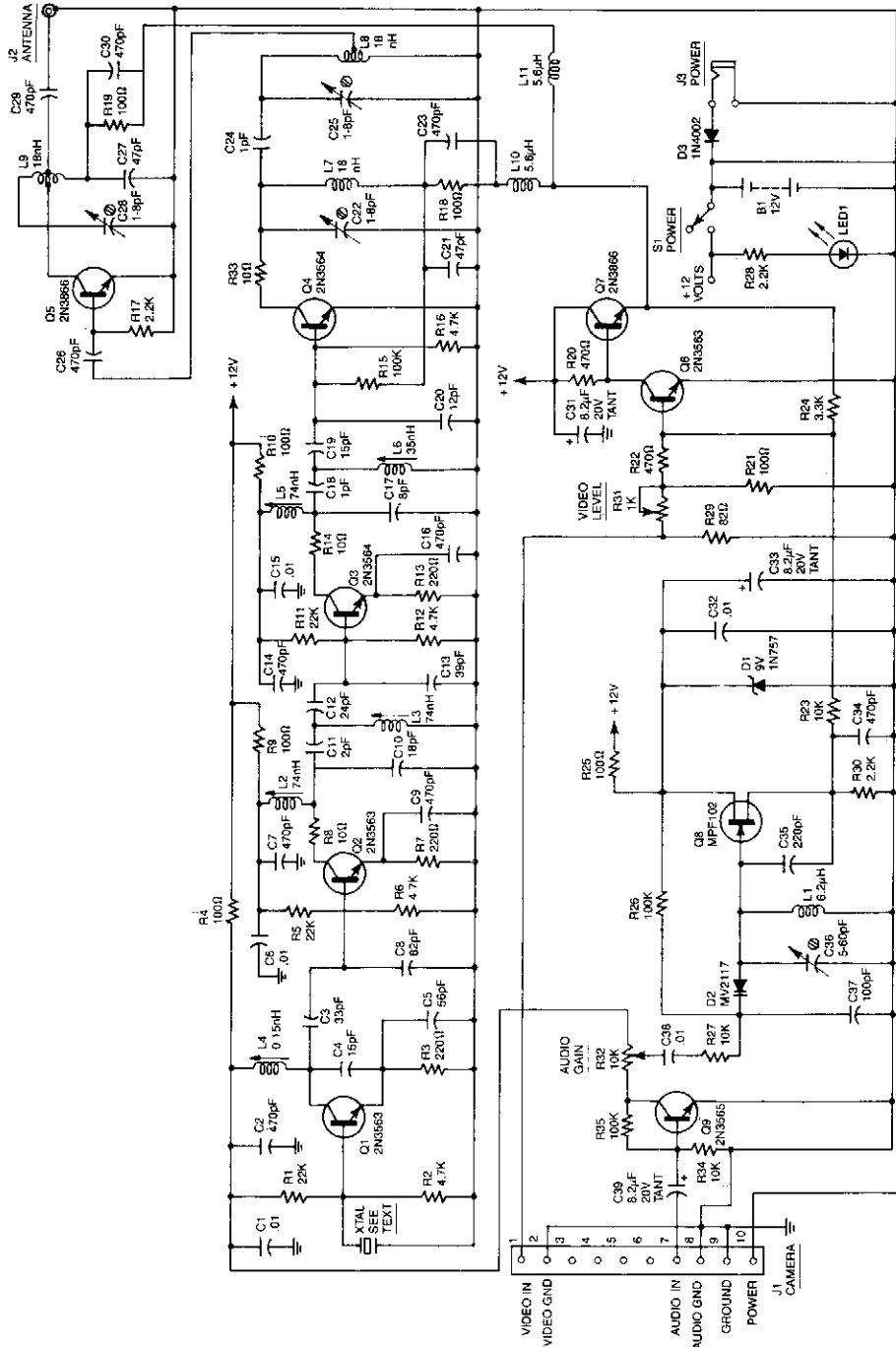
Fig. 119-5

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This circuit shows the TDA3566 for a PAL/NTSC Decoder.



# WIRELESS VIDEO CAMERA LINK



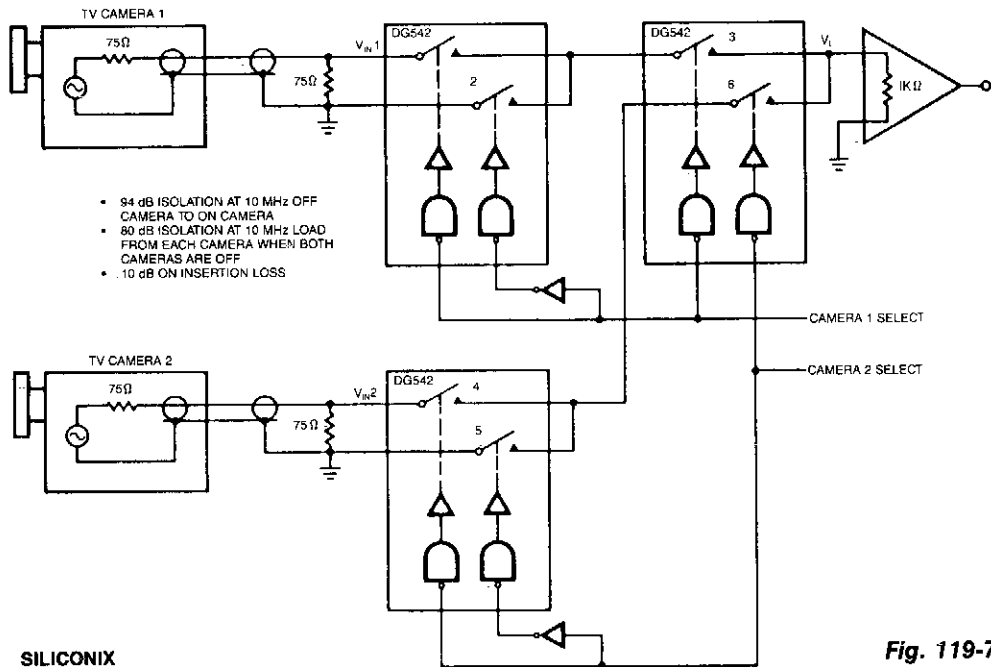
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Fig. 119-6

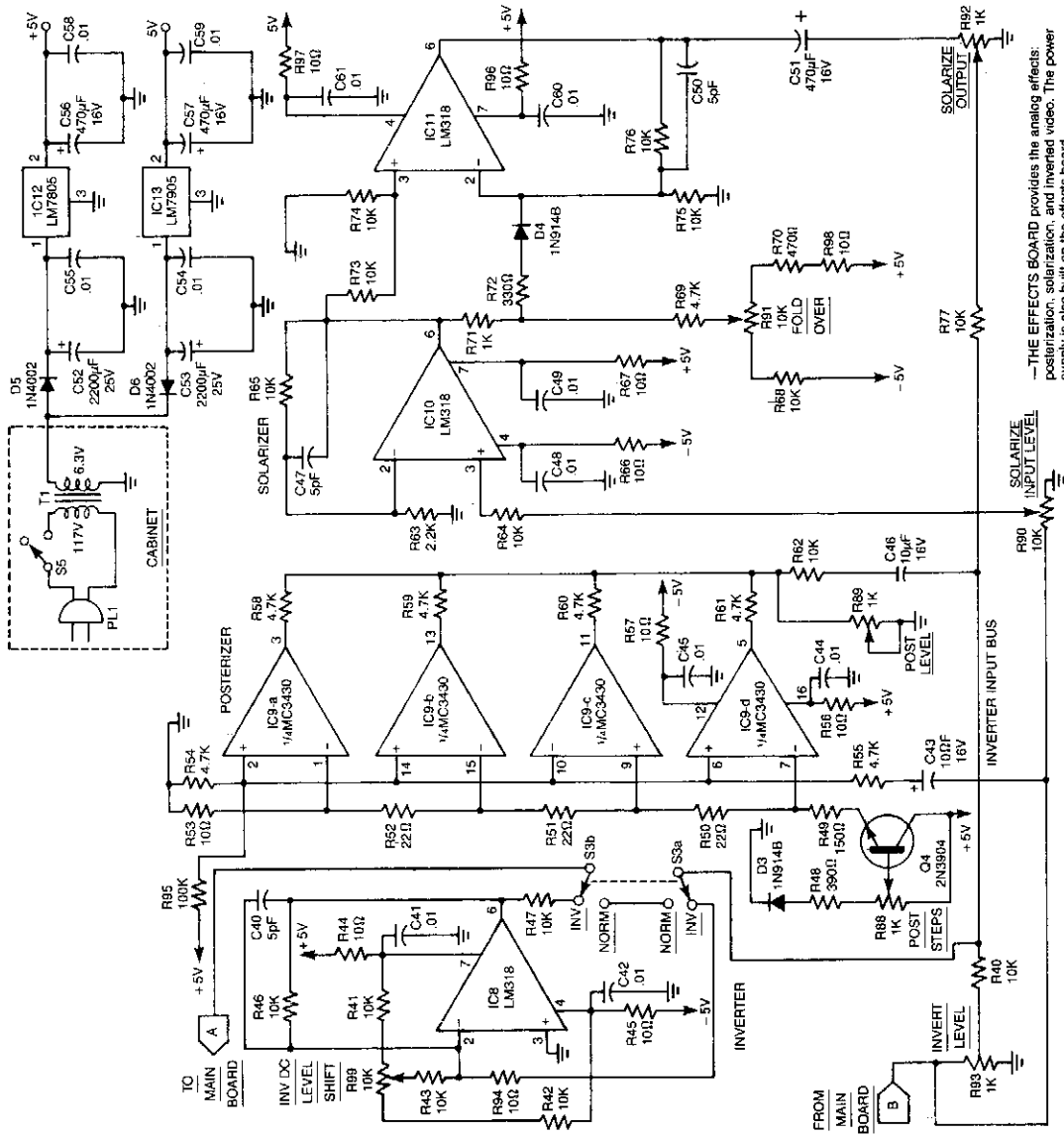
## WIRELESS VIDEO CAMERA LINK (Cont.)

This high-performance video-camera link transmits signals from your video camera to your VCR, or from your VCR to TVs throughout your home. The first stage of the rf chain is a crystal-controlled oscillator, Q1, with a frequency of 60 to 65 MHz, which is one-eighth of the final output frequency. The oscillator produces a signal of about +6 dBm (4 mW) that drives three stages of frequency doublers. The combined action of those doublers multiplies the input frequency by eight for a final output frequency of (nominally) 500 MHz. Double-tuned circuits are used between each stage to help reduce spurious outputs that might cause unwanted interference. The video input signal from your VCR, video camera, etc. drives a video modulator, Q6 and Q7, that adds the video signal to the +12 V line supplying power to the final doubler, Q4, and the output amplifier, Q5. That method of modulation is similar to the way a conventional AM-radio transmitter is modulated. The video modulator has a nominal bandwidth of five MHz. The audio input is applied to Q8, which operates as a VCO running at a nominal frequency of 4.5 MHz to produce the modulated sound carrier. For simplicity, Q8 is a free-running oscillator, since the  $\pm 25$  kHz frequency deviation that is required would be very difficult to produce at that frequency with a crystal-controlled oscillator. Besides, most TV sound systems will accept a  $\pm 10$  kHz error in the sound-carrier frequency without producing undue distortion, and that greatly simplifies the circuitry required. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.

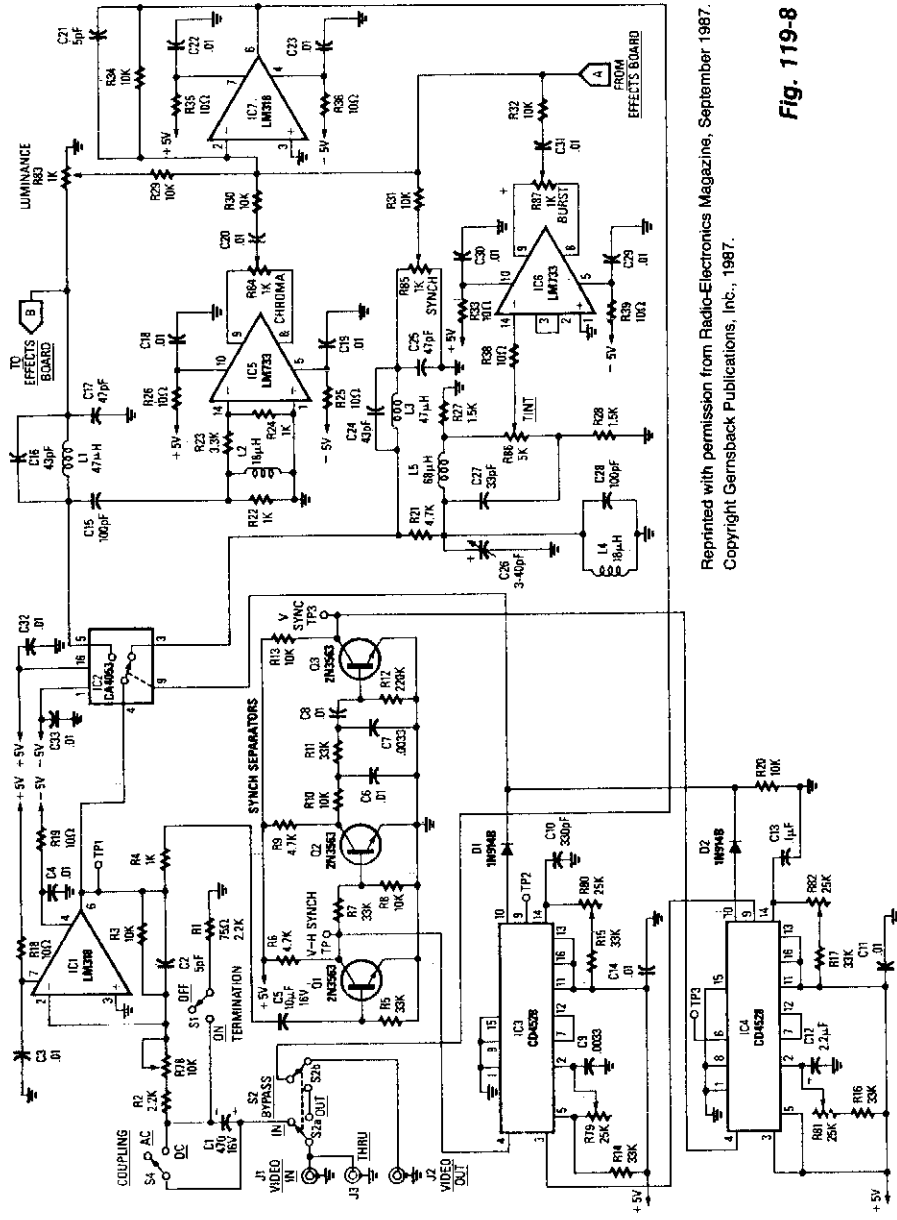
### VIDEO SWITCH WITH VERY HIGH OFF ISOLATION



# VIDEO PALETTE



—THE EFFECTS BOARD provides the analog effects: postering, solarization, and inverted video. The power supply is also built on the effects board.

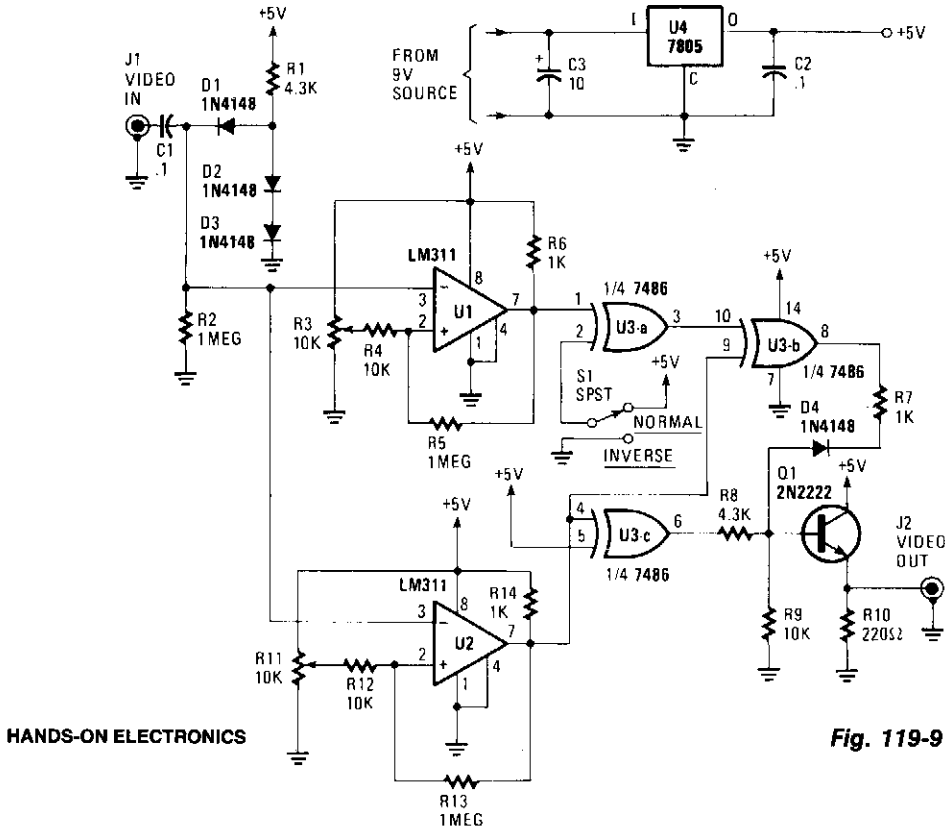


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**Fig. 119-8**

This system consists of two parts. The main board dissects the video signal and provides independent level control for burst, chroma, luminance, and sync signals, as well as phase and polarity. The video signal is reassembled in the output in corrected or modified format as required by the user. The effects board produces luminance inversion or can generate discrete luminance steps (posterization) or a nonlinear gray scale (solarization) to achieve simulation of photographic effects commonly seen in various special-effect photographic processes. The kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wyrkagyl Station, NY 10804.

## PICTURE FIXER/INVERTER



**Fig. 119-9**

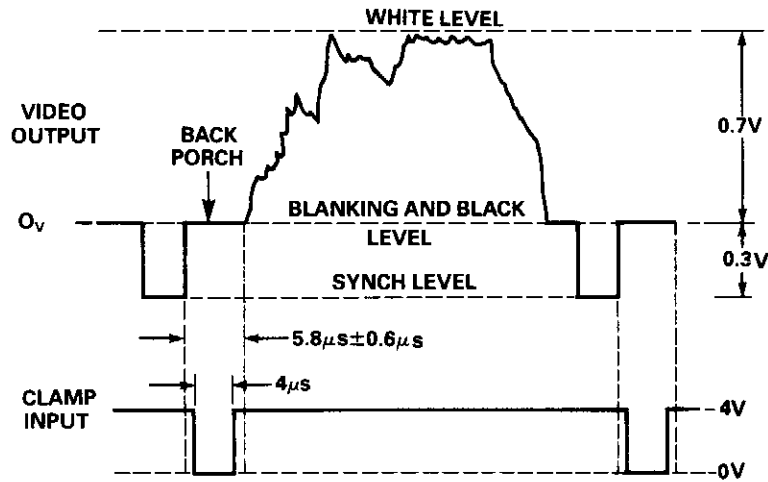
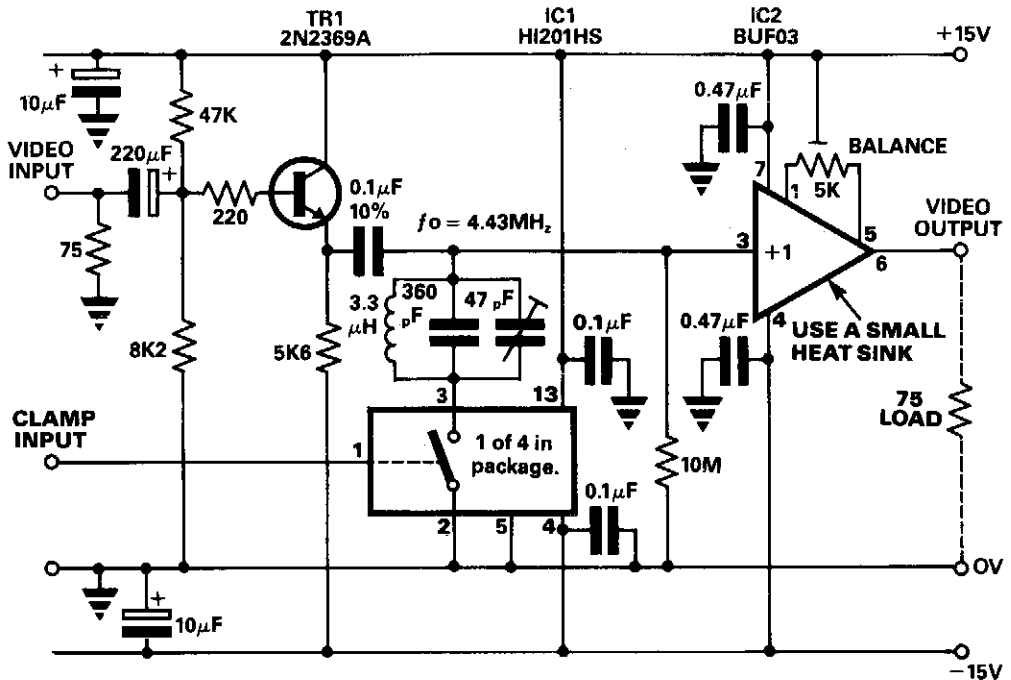
The circuit will accept a video signal, separate the sync pulses, invert the video, and add new video to the old sync pulses.

The video signal is brought in through J1 and applied to a clamping circuit consisting of C1, D1, D2, D3, R1, and R2. The clamp circuit forces all of the sync pulses to align with the same dc voltage level. With the video voltage clamped, the trip points of the comparators that follow can be set with trimmer resistors R3 and R11. The resistors will not have to be readjusted. One comparator, U1, is adjusted to change states with a change in either video or sync-pulse levels. The other comparator, U2, is adjusted to trip on changes of sync-pulse levels only.

The output of U1 now consists of a logic level, 0 to +5 V, signal that contains both sync pulses and video. The composite signal is coupled to an EXCLUSIVE-OR gate, U3a, where it is either inverted or not inverted, depending upon the position of switch NORM/REV S1. The output, at pin 3 of U3a, is next sent to U3b. There the composite signal is combined with the sync-pulse only signal from U2. The EXCLUSIVE-OR action of U3b cancels out the sync pulses, leaving only video at the IC's output.

Since the sync pulses are inverted as they pass through U2, they must be inverted once more before being combined with the video signal. That final inversion is performed by U3c, and that device's output is combined with that of U3b via D4, R7, R8, and R9. The newly combined signal is buffered by emitter-follower Q1, and sent to the outside world via J2. The circuit can be powered by a 9- to 12-V wall-mount power supply. The supply voltage is regulated down to 5 V by U4.

## VIDEO DC RESTORER

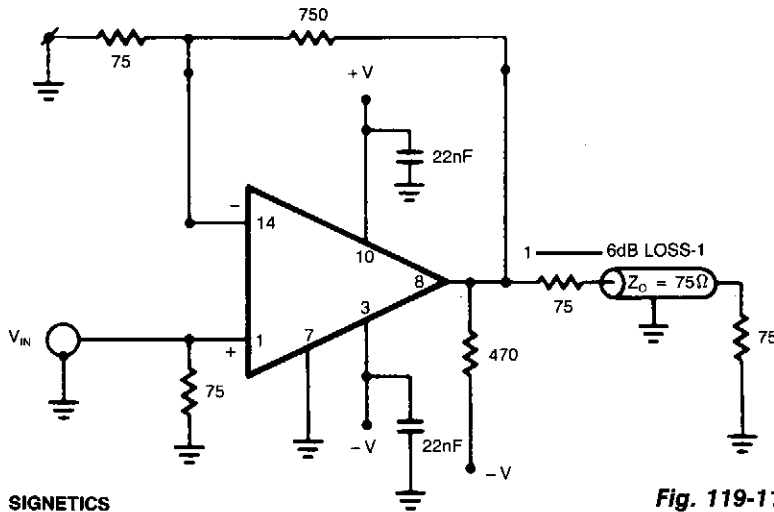


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Fig. 119-10

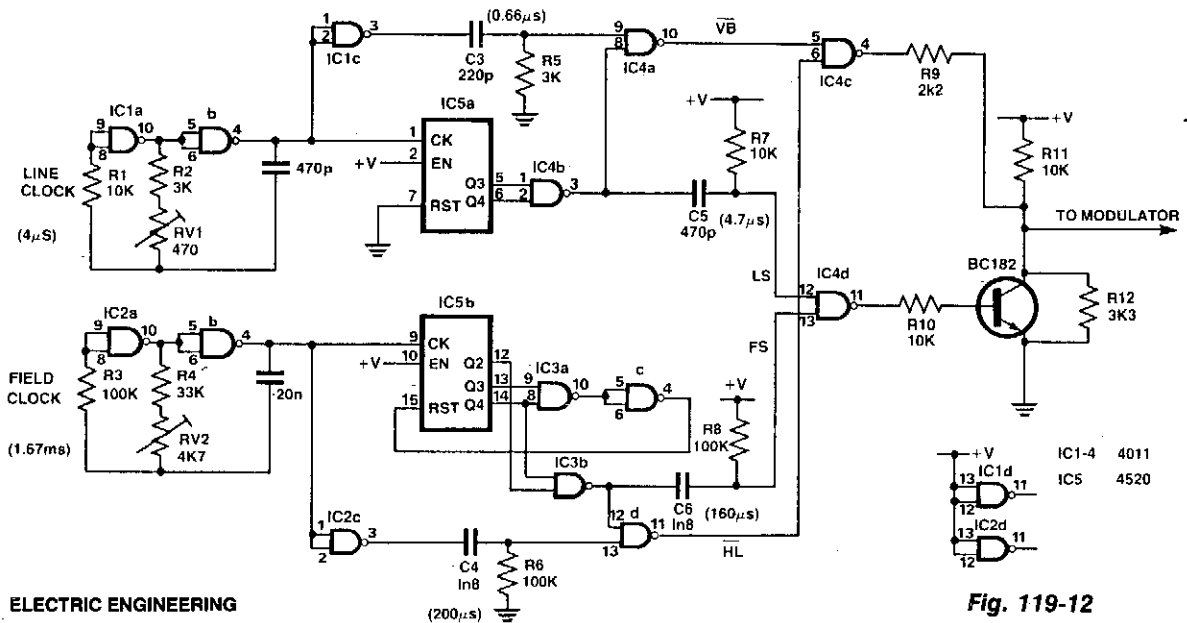
The main requirement for efficient dc restoration is to provide a short time-constant during the clamp period, with a long time-constant during the active line time. The switch within the Harris HI201HS has an on resistance of  $30\ \Omega$  and the PMI buffer, BUF03, has an input resistance of  $50\ M\Omega$ . The tuned circuit presents a high impedance at the 4.43-MHz color subcarrier frequency so that the color-burst signal is retained if the video signal contains this information.

## COLOR VIDEO AMPLIFIER



The NE5539 wideband op amp is easily adapted for use as a color video amplifier. The gain varies less than 0.5% from the bottom to the top of the staircase. The maximum differential phase is approximately +0.1°. The amplifier circuit was optimized for a 75-Ω input and output termination impedance for a gain of approximately 10 (20 dB).

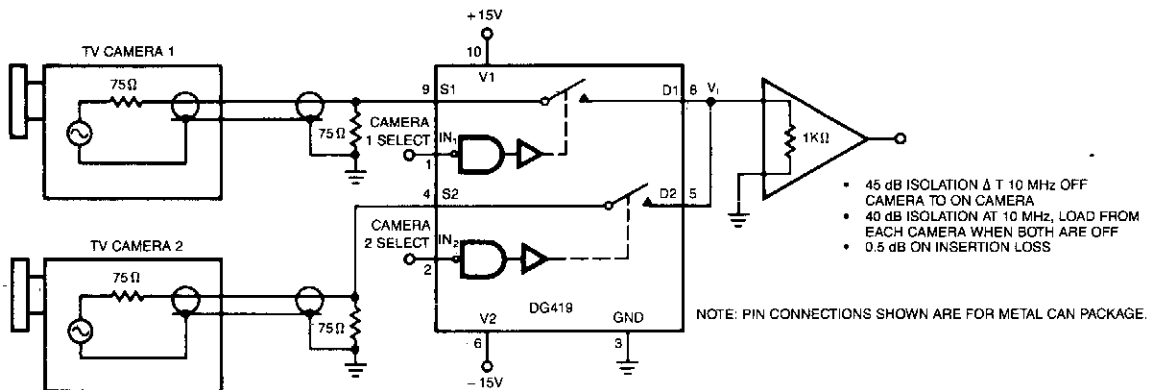
## COLOR TV CROSSHATCH GENERATOR



## COLOR TV CROSSHATCH GENERATOR (Cont.)

This circuit provides a simple, low-cost crosshatch generator for convergence and geometry adjustments on color TVs. The generator is driven by two clocks, one for the horizontal drive, IC1ab, and one for the vertical drive, IC2ab. The clock outputs are applied to the two binary counters contained in IC5 which generate the line and field sync pulses and respective blanking periods. Line clock pulses, buffered by IC1c, are differentiated by C3/R5 to produce the vertical bars. These bars are gated by IC4a which suppresses the bars during the line blanking period produced by the coincidence of Q3, Q4 outputs of IC5a, detected by IC4b. This output is also differentiated by C5/R7 to produce the line sync pulse, *LS*. A similar process is used to generate horizontal lines and the field sync, except that in order to give the correct aspect ratio, the count of IC5b is reset at 12, coincidence of Q3 and Q4. In coincidence of Q2, Q4 is used to generate the sync pulse *FS* and the blanking period. The line and field sync pulses, *LS* and *FS*, are combined in IC4d.

## GENERAL PURPOSE VIDEO SWITCH



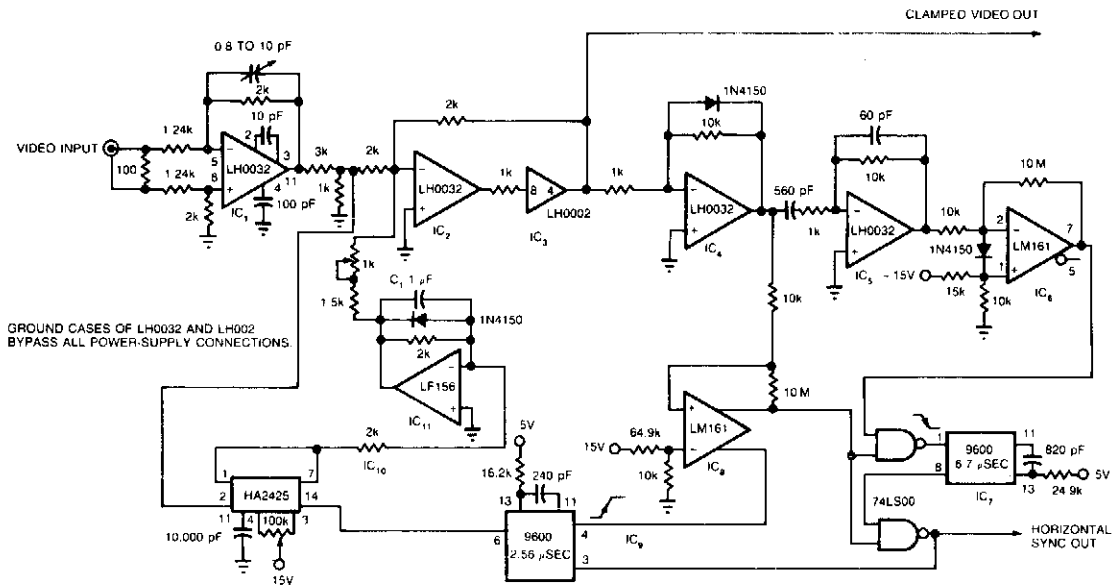
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Fig. 119-13

The circuit shown provides 40-dB isolation at 6 MHz and is good for general purpose video switching.



## VIDEO SIGNAL CLAMP



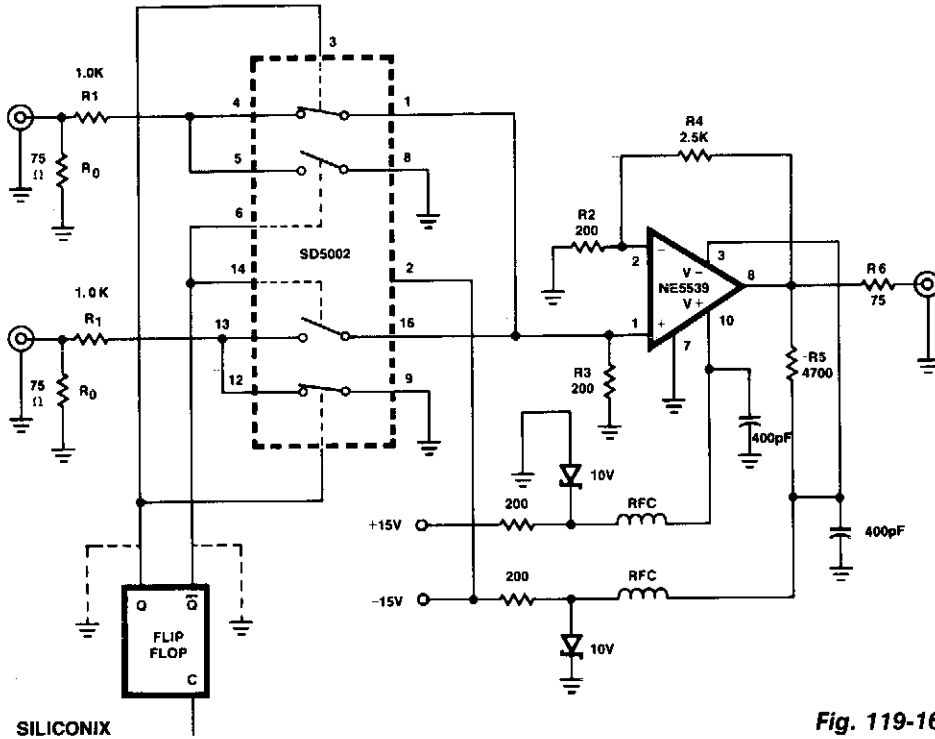
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**Fig. 119-14**

The circuit uses a track-and-hold amplifier in a closed-loop configuration to clamp the back-porch voltage of a standard video waveform to 0 V. The circuit's outputs include a clamped composite-video signal and a TTL-level horizontal-blanking pulse. Differential input buffer IC1 and the summing amplifier IC2 isolate the input video signal. Clipper IC4 removes the video signal, leaving only the synchronization information. Differentiator IC5 detects the edges of the horizontal blanking pulses and produces pulses that correspond to the leading and trailing edges of the horizontal blanking pulses. IC6 clips these pulses and converts them to a TTL level. IC7 uses these clipped pulses to generate a TTL-level window that, when combined with the horizontal pulse generated by IC8, forms a TTL representation of the original horizontal pulse. This representation is synchronized to the input waveform. IC9 uses the trailing edge of this reconstructed waveform to generate the track pulse for track-and-hold amplifier IC10. IC11 filters IC10's dc output and, after gain adjustment, feeds it back to IC2's summing node.



## HIGH-PERFORMANCE VIDEO SWITCH



**Fig. 119-16**

This figure shows a one-of-two switch with a summing amplifier. The video source's line can be terminated either externally or internally to switch R0. With this termination resistor, a load change of less than 1  $\Omega$  will be *seen* by the source when the switch changes state. For this reason, input isolation amplifiers are not necessary. R4 can be varied to control circuit gain, but should never be less than 1400  $\Omega$  since the NE5539 is internally compensated for gain values greater than seven. A value of approximately 2500  $\Omega$  for R4 will set circuit gain to near unity. Additionally, the circuit output impedance is set by R6, and R5 sets the output dc offset to near zero.

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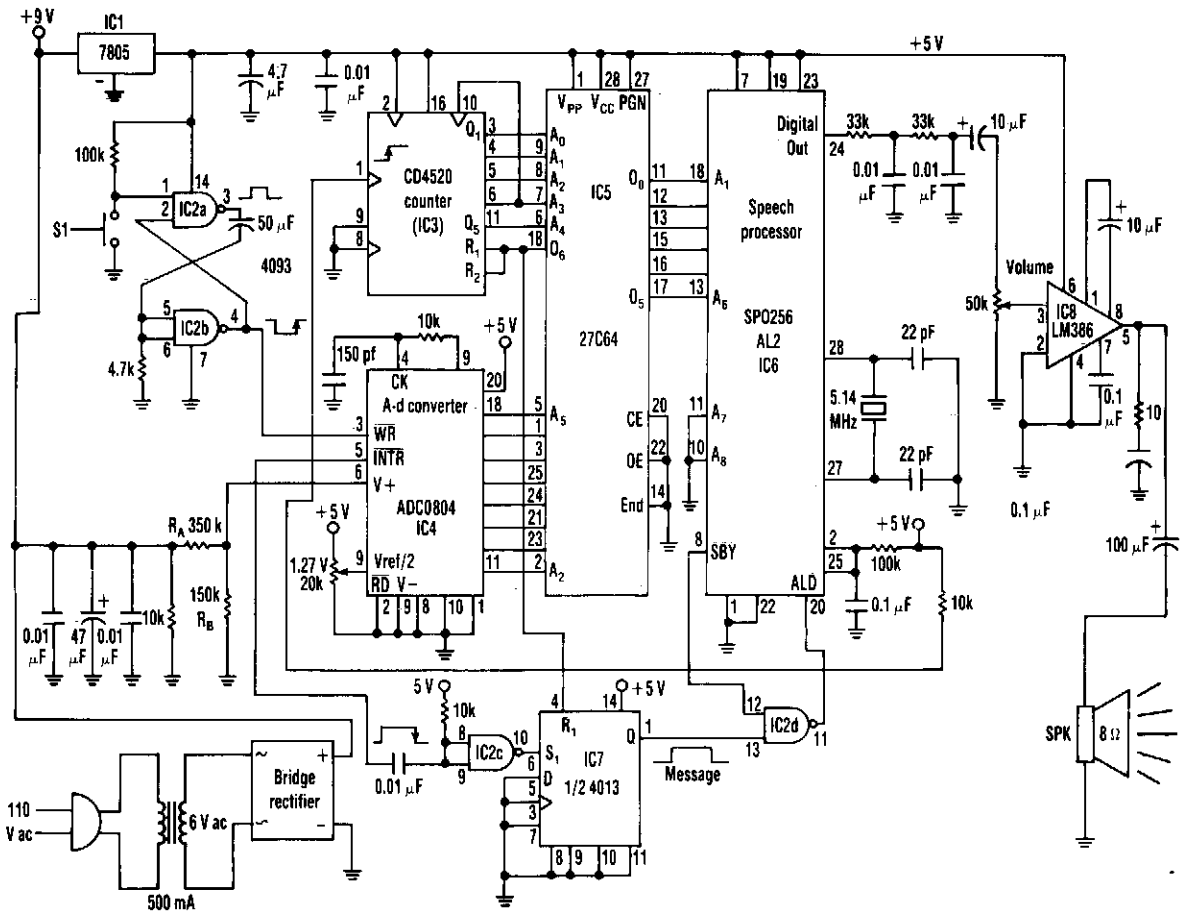
## Voice Circuits

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Ac Line-Voltage Announcer  
Dialed Phone Number Vocalizer  
Computer Speech Synthesizer  
Allophone Generator  
Electronic Voice Substitute

## AC LINE-VOLTAGE ANNOUNCER



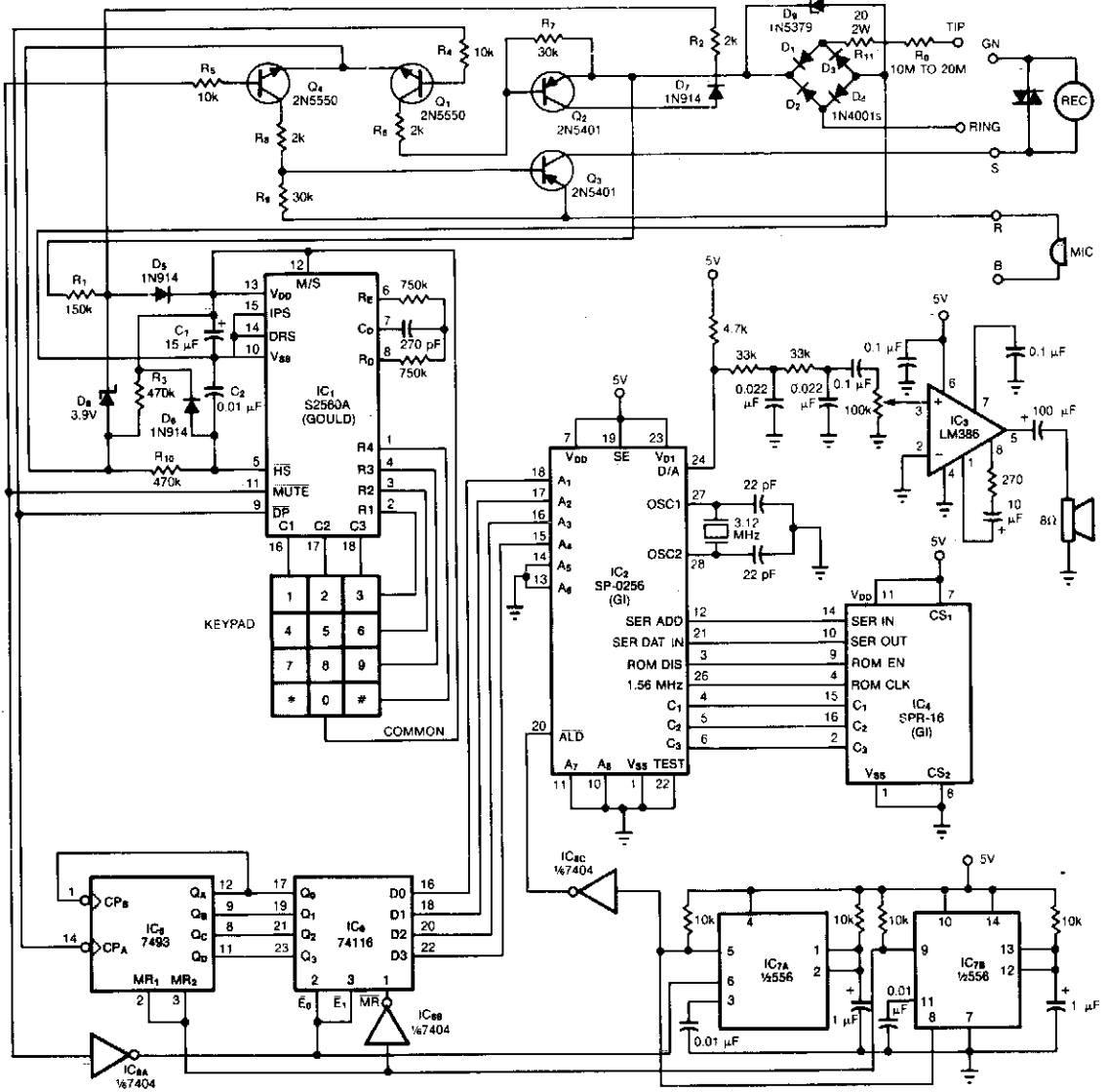
**Fig. 120-1**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

The range of this ac-voltage monitor is 100 to 140 Vac, with a resolution of 1 V. The speech processor interprets an 8-bit binary input code from an analog-to-digital converter. The processor's pulse-code-modulated output then passes through a filter and an amplifier before driving the circuit's speaker to vocalize the corresponding number. Each time switch S1 is pressed, the speech-processor program enunciates the monitored voltage readings from 100 to 140 V, depending on the code at the input of a 27C64 EPROM.

The voltage-monitoring circuit consists of a bridge rectifier, filter capacitors, and a 10-K $\Omega$  load resistor. A divider,  $R_A$  and  $R_B$ , limits the input voltage to a maximum 2.55 V. The a/d converter, IC4, then sends the voltage reading to the 27C64 EPROM, IC5. Pressing S1 sends a negative transient pulse to the write, WR, input of the a/d converter, IC4, which initiates a 100- $\mu$ s conversion process.

## DIALED PHONE NUMBER VOCALIZER

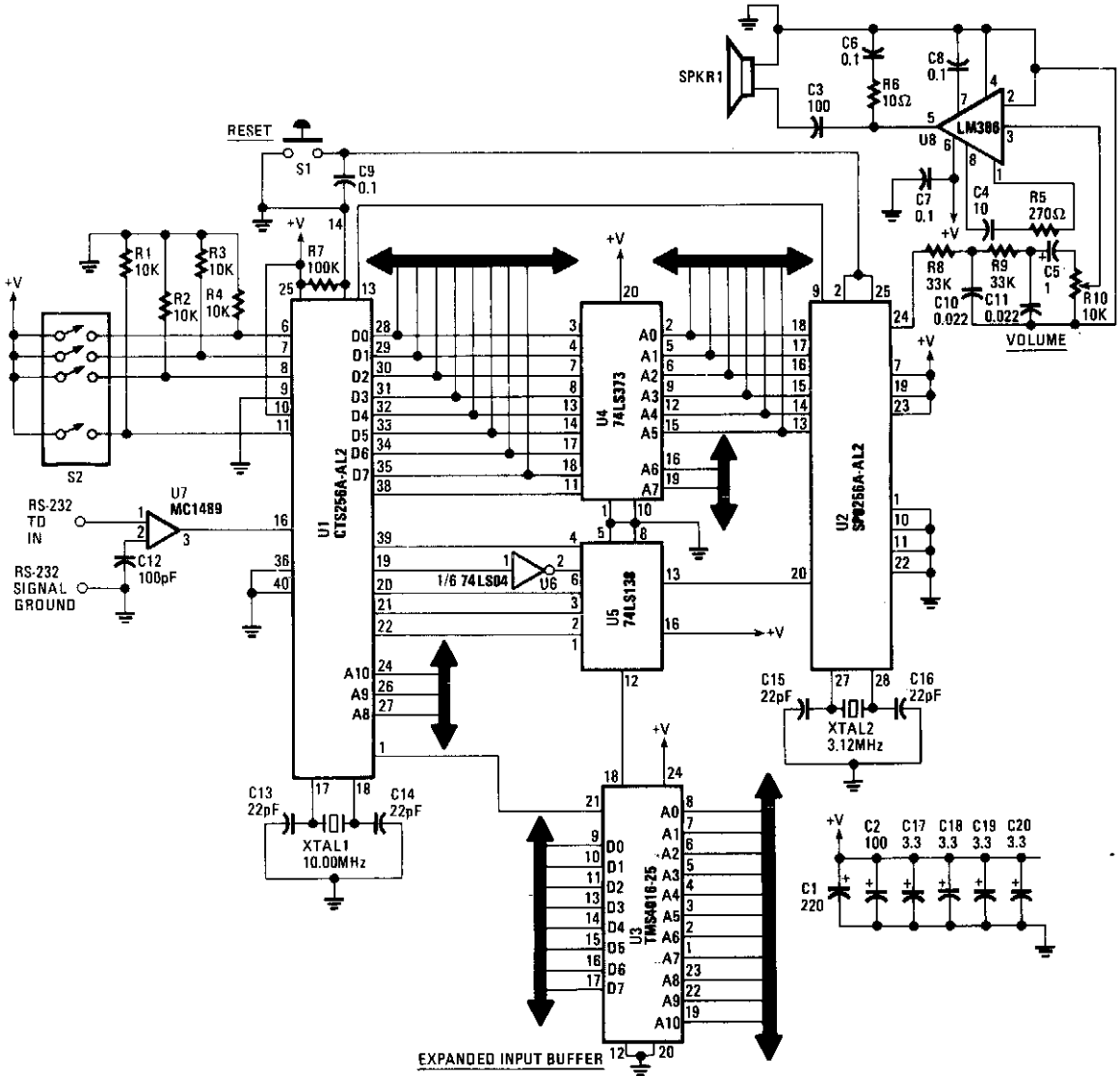


EDN

Fig. 120-2

By vocalizing the numbers and symbols of its keypad, the phone provides an audible confirmation that is useful to the blind. The serial-interface, 2 K-byte  $\times$  8-bit ROM (IC4) stores programmed sequences of instructions that are executed by the speech-processor chip IC2—manufactured by the General Instrument Corp. When you depress a key, tone-dialing chip IC1 issues the corresponding number of pulses at its DP output. Counter IC3 totals the pulses, and IC6 latches the resulting 4-bit digital word. This word, converted to serial format by IC2, becomes an address that selects a block of memory within IC4.

## COMPUTER SPEECH SYNTHESIZER



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

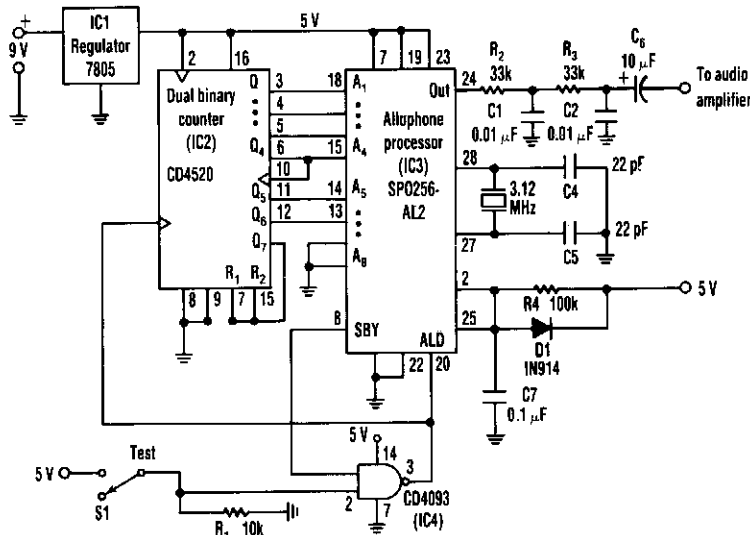
**Fig. 120-3**

This text-to-speech converter is built around the SPO256-AL2 speech processor and the CT6256-AL2 text-to-speech converter chips—manufactured by General Instruments. The circuit is set up to receive standard ASCII code from virtually any microcomputer or dumb terminal that is equipped with an RS-232 port—such as a serial-printer or modem port. If a microcomputer is used, the synthesizer can be activated from a terminal-emulator of any communications program, or from any programming language such as BASIC.

## COMPUTER SPEECH SYNTHESIZER (Cont.)

The serial input from the RS-232 port enters the circuit through U7, the MC1489 RS-232 receiver chip, and is converted from an RS-232 level to a TTL-level signal. The CTS256-AL2 chip, U1, then converts the ASCII characters into allophone codes and sends those codes to U3, the TMS4016 external-RAM chip. The codes are then transferred to the SPO256-AL2, U2, through the 74LS373 octal latch, U4. Finally, the SPO256-AL2 sends out an audio signal to the LM386 audio amplifier, U8, through some high-pass filtering, and on to the speaker. The 74LS138d, U5, and the 74LS04, U6, provide control logic.

### ALLOPHONE GENERATOR



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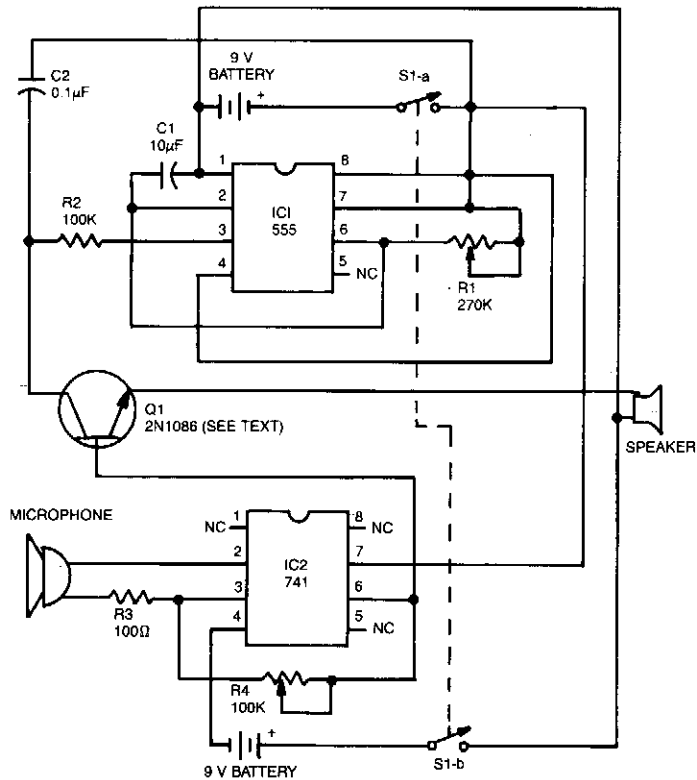
Fig. 120-4

The circuit, a general-purpose system with many uses, vocalizes 59 allophones contained in the speech processor. After filtering and amplification, its pulse-code-modulated output can drive an 8- $\Omega$  speaker. The processor's address pins, A1 to A6, define 64 speech-entry points.

Closing the test switch to the NAND gate lowers its output, thereby loading an address and triggering the ALD input for an allophone cycle. The CD4520 dual binary counter, IC2, counts from 0 to 63 in binary code until its Q7 output resets it on the number 64 count. To generate a phrase, just add an EPROM between IC2 and IC3 that contains a program for a predetermined sequence of allophones.



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Fig. 120-5

The 555 acts as the tone generator configured in the astable mode. Its pin 3, square-wave output is transformed into a triangle wave by R1 and C2. The *voice's* pitch is controlled by R1. Transistor Q1 can be 2N1086, 2N1091, or any other equivalent npn germanium type. Sounds are amplified by the 741, and the IC's output drives the transistor to saturation. When the transistor is in the saturated state, the triangle wave is able to reach the speaker, and your new *voice* can be heard.

# 121

## Voltage-Controlled Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Balanced TMOS VCO

Waveform Generator/Stable VCO

Variable-Capacitance Diode-Sparked VCO

Logarithmic Sweep VCO

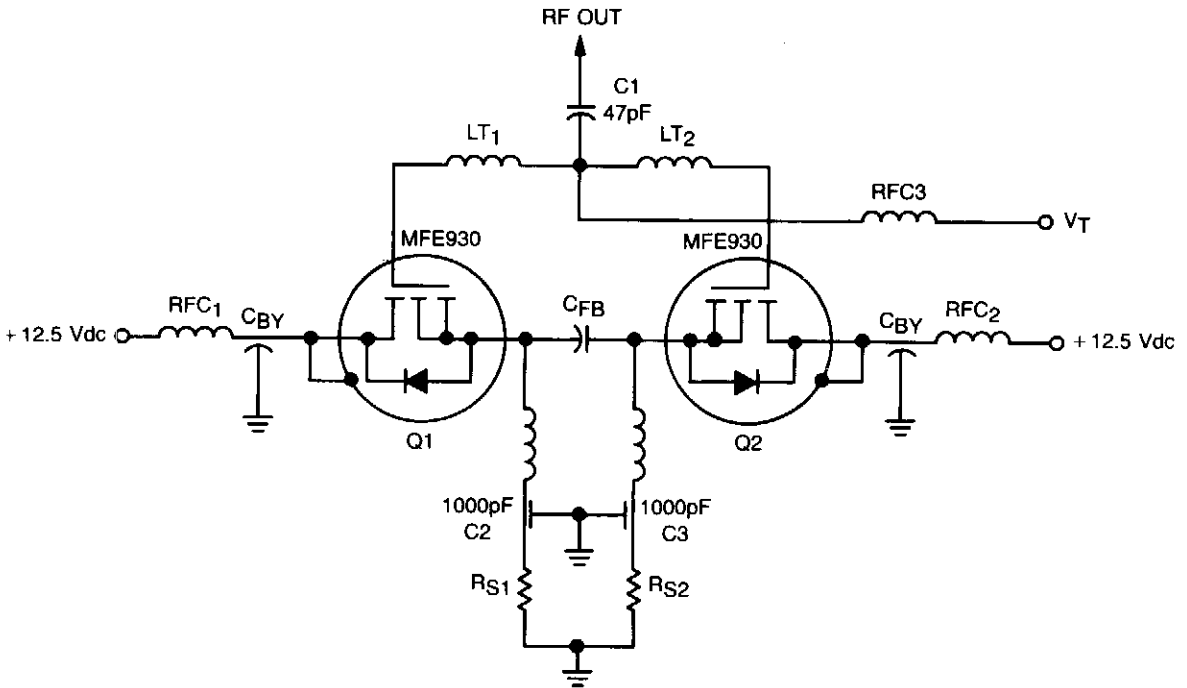
Supply Voltage Splitter

3–5 V Regulated Output Converter

VCO

Simple VCO

## BALANCED TMOS VCO



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Fig. 121-1

This TMOS VCO operates in push-pull to produce 4 W at 70 MHz. It consists of two MFE930 TMOS devices in a balanced VCO that generally provide better linearity than the single-ended types. Varactors are not used because the design takes advantage of the large change in *Miller* capacitance,  $C_{RSS}$ , that is available in TMOS gate structures.

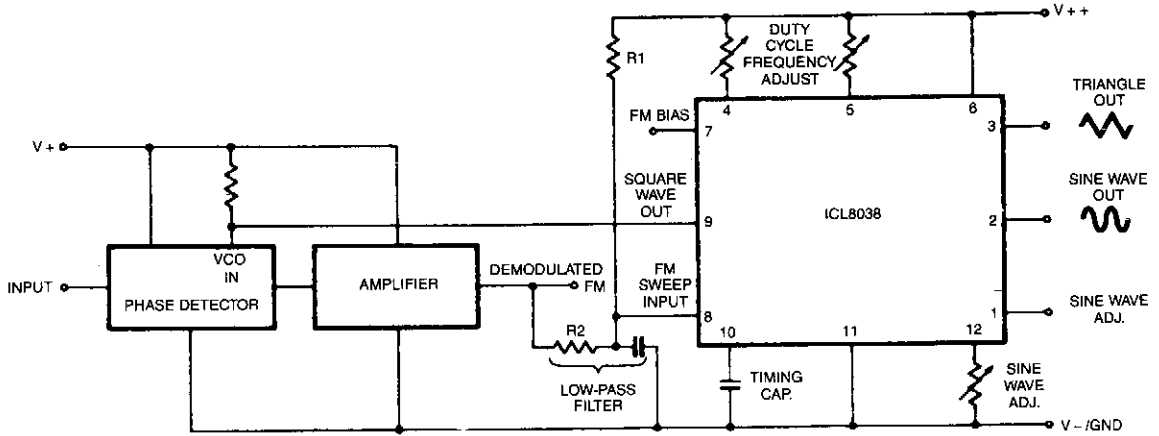
In the balanced VCO, the fundamental ( $f_0$ ) and/or twice the fundamental ( $2f_0$ ) can be coupled from the circuit at separate nodes. This makes the balanced oscillator very useful in phase-locked loops. The fundamental:

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2} (L_F C_{RSS})^{-1/2}$$

where:

$$L_F = 0.68 \mu\text{H}$$

## WAVEFORM GENERATOR/STABLE VCO



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Fig. 121-2

In this circuit, a waveform generator is used as a stable VCO in a Phase-Locked Loop (PLL).

## VARIABLE-CAPACITANCE DIODE-SPARKED VCO

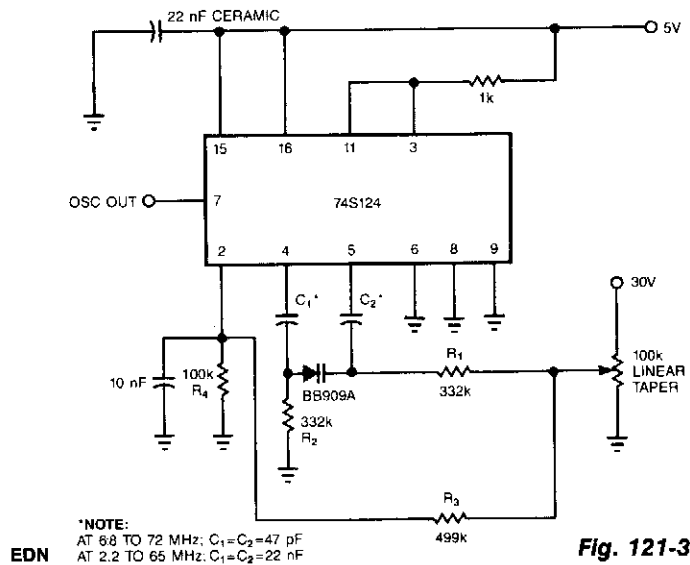
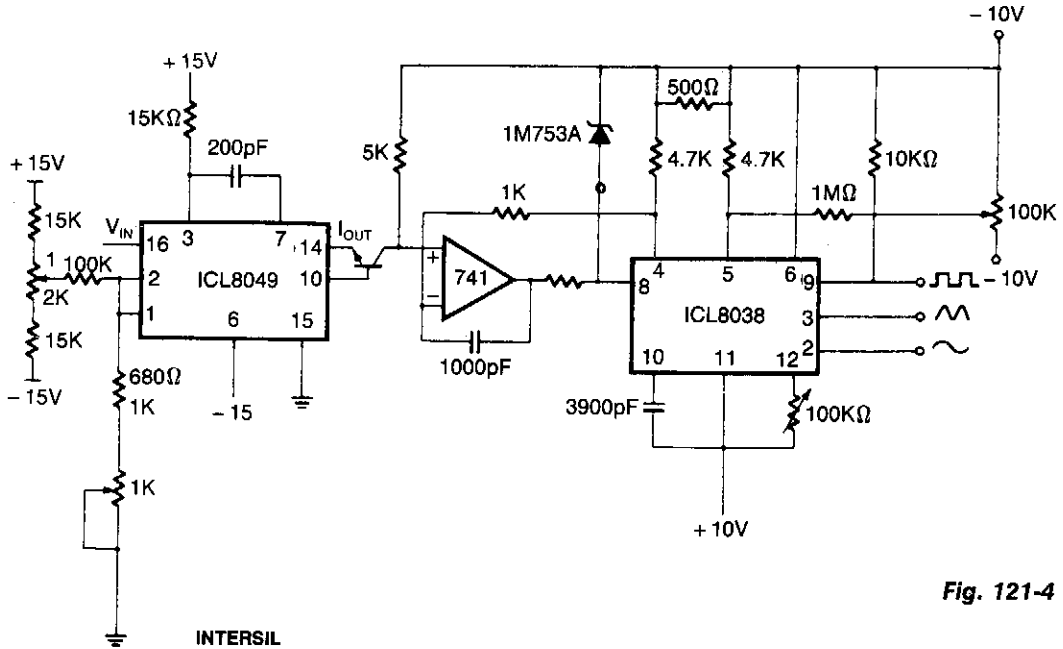


Fig. 121-3

You can transform a 741S124 multivibrator into a wideband VCO by replacing its conventional fixed capacitor with a variable-capacitance diode. The only disadvantage of this scheme is the 30-V biasing voltage that the diode requires. Capacitors C1 and C2 couple the Philips BB909A variable-capacitance diode to the 74S124. R1 and R2 are large enough to isolate ground and control voltages from the timing capacitors. Resistors R3 and R4 form a voltage divider for the 74S124's control input.

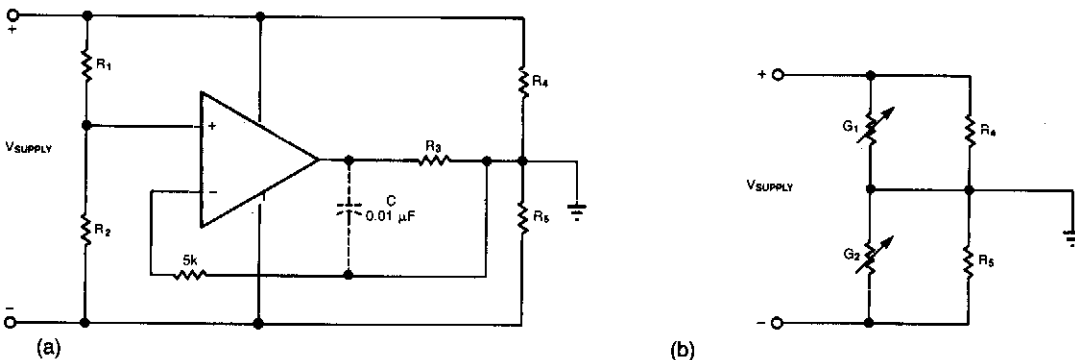
## LOGARITHMIC SWEEP VCO



**Fig. 121-4**

This circuit uses the output of the ICL8049 to control the frequency of the ICL8038 waveform generator; the 741 op amp is used to linearize the voltage-frequency response. The input voltage to the 8049 can be, for example, from the horizontal sweep signal of an oscilloscope; the output of the 8038 will then sweep logarithmically across the audio range. By feeding this to the equipment being measured and detecting the output, a standard frequency response can be obtained. If the output is fed through an ICL8048 before being displayed, a standard bode plot results.

## SUPPLY VOLTAGE SPLITTER



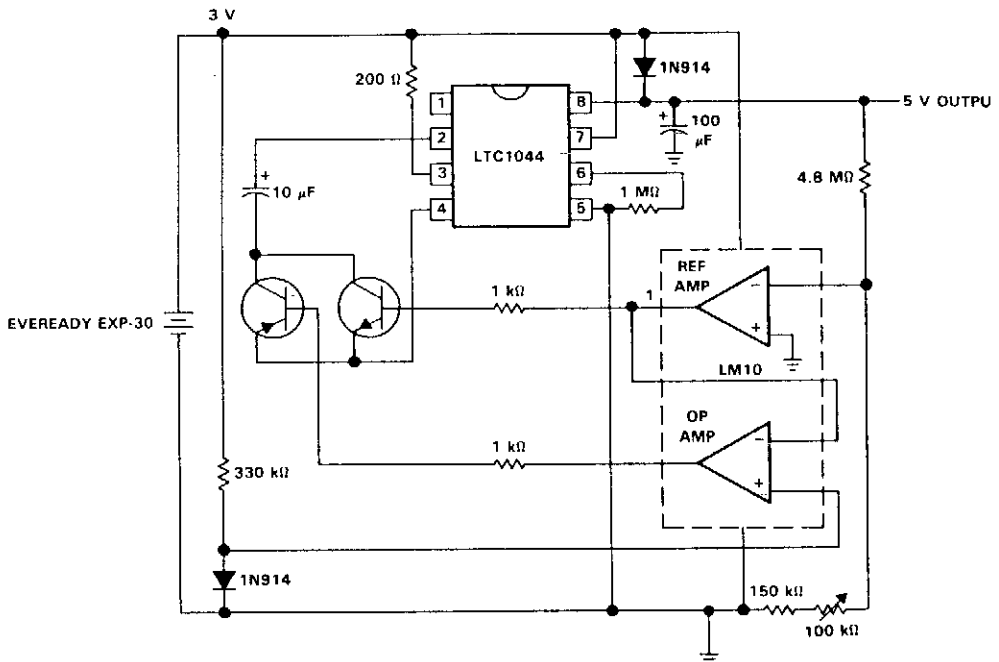
**Fig. 121-5**

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## SUPPLY VOLTAGE SPLITTER (Cont.)

This simple circuit can convert a single supply voltage, such as a battery, into a bipolar supply. Sense resistors R1 and R2 establish relative magnitudes for the resulting positive and negative voltages. Their rail-to-rail value, of course, equals  $V_{SUPPLY}$ . R4 and R5 represent the load impedances. For example, equal-value sense resistors produce  $1/2 V_{SUPPLY}$  across each of the load resistors, R4 and R5. The op amp maintains these equal voltages by sinking or sourcing current through R3; the op amp's action is equivalent to that of variable conductances G1 and G2 in shunt with each load resistor. Choose a value for R3 so that the largest voltage across it, the greatest load-current mismatch, won't exceed the op amp's output-voltage capability for the application. You can add a buffer amplifier at the op amp's output to provide greater load currents. If you need bypass capacitors across the load resistors as well, connect a capacitor (dashed lines) to ensure that the amplifier remains stable.

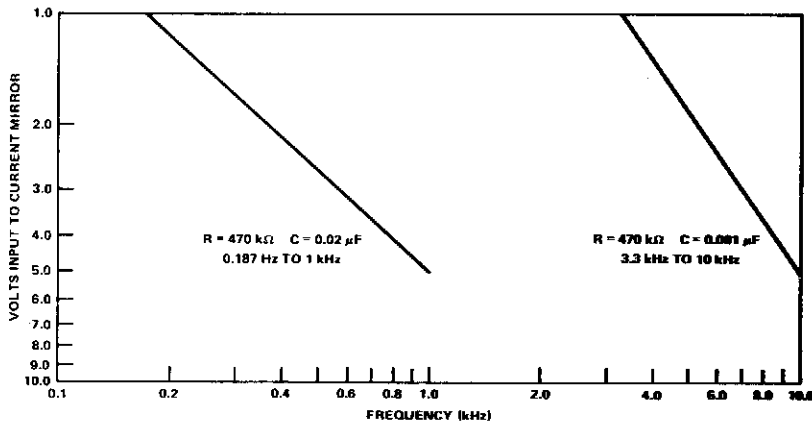
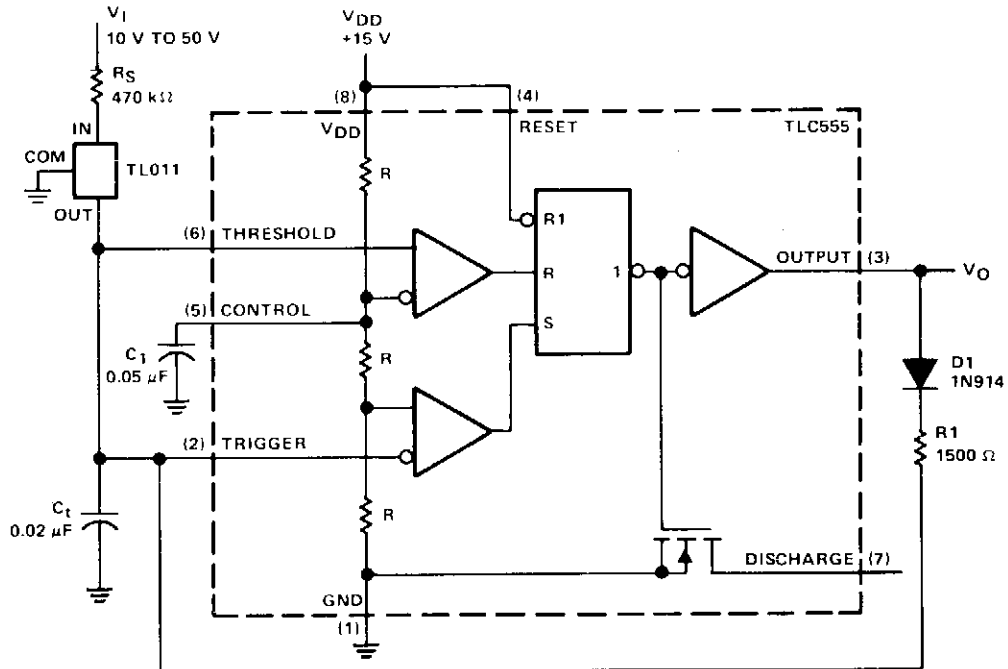
## 3 - 5 V REGULATED OUTPUT CONVERTER



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Fig. 121-6

## VCO



Voltage-Controlled Oscillator Frequency vs Voltage

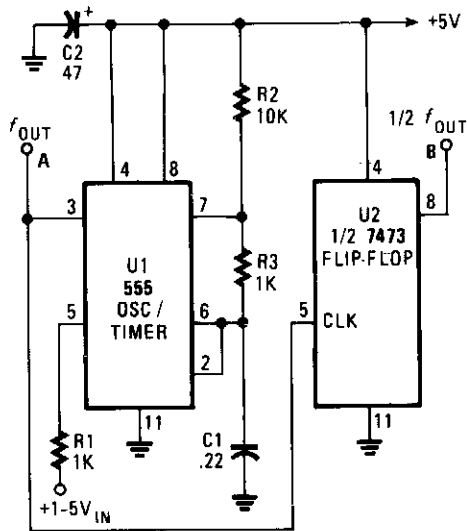
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Fig. 121-7

At startup, the voltage in the trigger input at pin 2 is less than the trigger level voltage,  $\frac{1}{3} V_{DD}$ , causing the timer to be triggered via pin 2. The output of the timer at pin 3 becomes high, allowing capacitor  $C_t$  to charge very rapidly through diode D1 and resistor R1.

When capacitor  $C_t$  charges to the upper threshold voltage  $\frac{2}{3} V_{DD}$ , the flip-flop is reset, the output at pin 3 decreases, and capacitor  $C_t$  discharges through the current mirror, TLO11. When the voltage at pin 2 reaches  $\frac{1}{3} V_{DD}$ , the lower threshold or trigger level, the timer triggers again and the cycle is repeated.

## SIMPLE VCO



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Fig. 121-8

The output frequency of the VCO, U1, varies inversely with the input voltage. With a 1-V input, the oscillator output frequency is about 1500 Hz; with a 5-V input, the output frequency drops to around 300 Hz. The output frequency range of U1 can be altered by varying the values of C1, R2, and R3. Increasing the value of any of those three components will lower the oscillator frequency, and decreasing any of those values will raise the frequency. Output-waveform symmetry suffers since the frequency varies from one extreme to the other. At the highest frequency, the waveform is almost equally divided. But when the frequency drops, the output of the circuit turns into a narrow pulse. If a symmetrical waveform is required, add the second IC, U2, half of a 7473P dual TTL J-K flip-flop, to the oscillator circuit. The signal frequency output by U2 is  $1/2$  of the input.



# 122

## Voltage Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

Unipolar-to-Dual Supply Converter

Efficient Supply Splitter

High-Efficiency Flyback Voltage Converter

3–25 V Dc-Dc Converter

Regulated 15- $V_{OUT}$  6-V Driven Converter

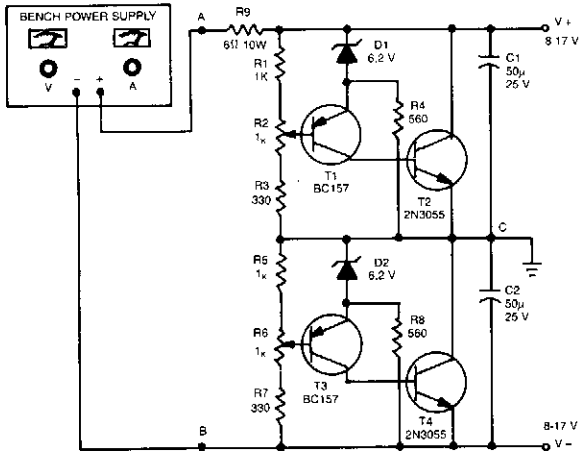
1.5-W Offline Converter

Dual Output  $\pm 12$  or  $\pm 15$  V Dc-Dc Converter

12-to-6 V Converter

Self-Oscillating Flyback Converter

## UNIPOLAR-TO-DUAL SUPPLY CONVERTER

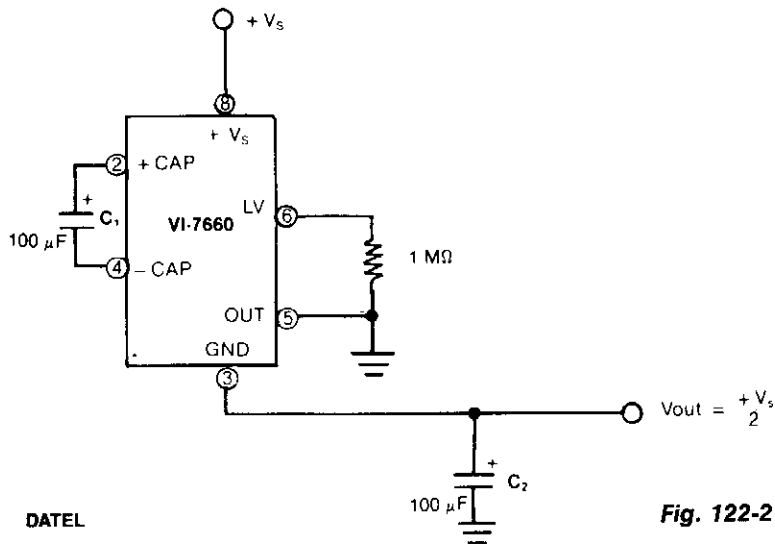


The outputs in this circuit are independently variable and can be loaded unsymmetrically. The output voltage remains constant, irrespective of load and changes. By varying potentiometers R2 or R6, the output voltages can be conveniently set. Outputs can be varied between 8 and 17 V, so that the standard  $\pm 9$ ,  $\pm 12$ , and  $\pm 15$  V settings can be made. This converter is designed for a maximum load current of 1 A and the output impedance of both supplies of  $0.35 \Omega$ . This circuit is not protected against shortcircuits, but uses the protection provided by the dc input source. This circuit is ideal for biasing operation amplifier circuits.

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Fig. 122-1

## EFFICIENT SUPPLY SPLITTER

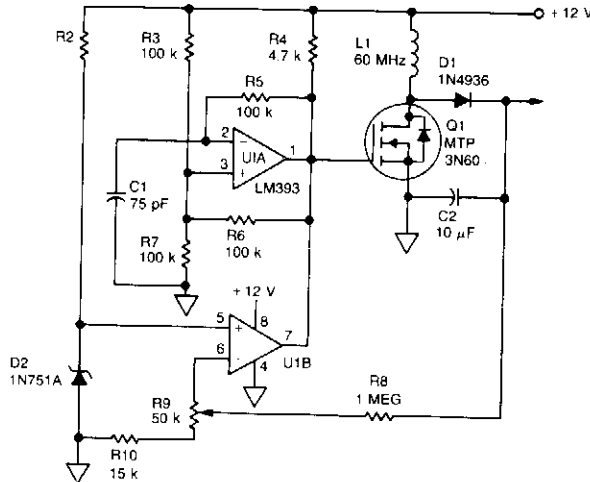


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Fig. 122-2

In this application, the VI-7660 is connected as a voltage splitter. Note that the *normal* output pin is connected to ground and the *normal* ground pin is used as the output. The switches that allow the charge pumping are bidirectional; therefore, charge transfer can be performed in reverse. The  $1\text{-M}\Omega$  resistor is used to avoid start-up problems by forcing the internal regulator on. An application for this circuit would be driving low-voltage,  $\pm 7.5$  Vdc, circuits from  $\pm 15$  Vdc supplies, or low-voltage logic from 9 to 12 V batteries.

## HIGH-EFFICIENCY FLYBACK VOLTAGE CONVERTER



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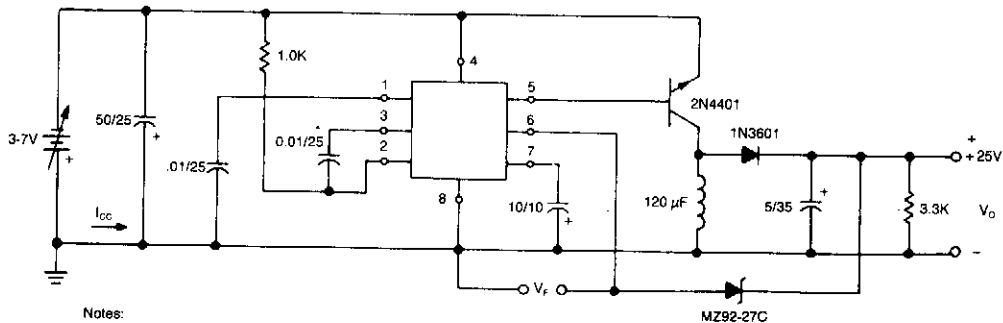
Fig. 122-3

U1 is a dual voltage comparator with open collector outputs. The A side is an oscillator operating at 100 kHz, and the B side is part of the regulation circuit that compares a fraction of the output voltage to a reference generated by zener diode D2.

The output of U1A is applied directly to the gate of Q1. During the positive half-cycle of the Q1 gate voltage, energy is stored in L1; in the negative half, the energy is discharged into C2. A portion of the output voltage is fed back to U1B to provide regulation. The output voltage is adjustable by changing feedback potentiometer R9.

Using the component values shown will produce a nominal 300-V output from a 12-V source. However, the circuit maximum output voltage is limited by R10; a lower value for R10 yields a higher output voltage. The output voltage is also limited by the breakdown of values Q1, L1, D1, and C2.

## 3 - 25 V DC-DC CONVERTER



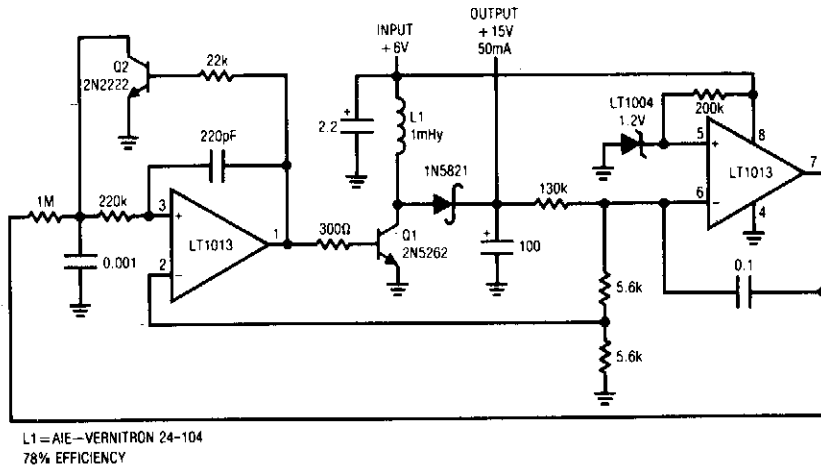
### Notes:

1. All resistor values in ohms,  $\pm 1\%$ ,  $1/4W$
2. All capacitor values in  $\mu F$ ,  $\pm 20\%$ , except \*  $\pm 5\%$ .
3. All inductors  $\pm 4\%$ .
4. IC is MC3380P

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Fig. 122-4

## REGULATED 15-V<sub>OUT</sub> 6-V DRIVEN CONVERTER



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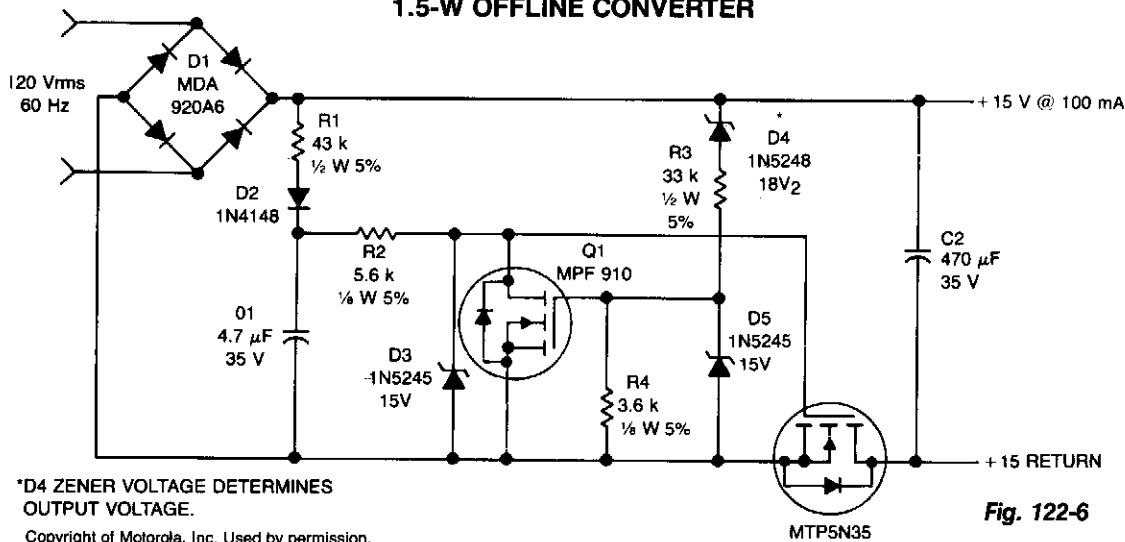
Fig. 122-5

This converter delivers up to 50 mA from a 6-V battery with 78% efficiency. This flyback converter functions by feedback-controlling the frequency of inductive flyback events. The inductor's output, rectified and filtered to dc, biases the feedback loop to establish a stable output. If the converter's output is below the loop setpoint, A2's inputs unbalance and current is fed through the 1-MΩ resistor at A1. This ramps the 1000-pF value positive. When this ramp exceeds the 0.5-V potential at A1's positive input, the amplifier switches high. Q2 turns on, discharging the capacitor to ground. Simultaneously, regenerative feedback through the 200-pF value causes a positive-going pulse at A1's positive input, sustaining A1's positive output. Q1 comes on, allowing inductor, L1, current to flow. When A1's feedback pulse decays, its output becomes low, turning off Q1. Q1's collector is pulled high by the inductor's flyback and the energy is stored in the 100-μF capacitor. The capacitor's voltage, which is the circuit output, is sampled by A2 to close a loop around A1/Q1. This loop forces A1 to oscillate at whatever frequency is required to maintain the 15-V output.

In-phase transformer windings for the drain and gate of TMO5 power FET Q1 cause the circuit to oscillate. Oscillation starts when the feedback coupling capacitor, C1, is charged from the supply line via a large resistance; R2 and R3 limit the collector current to Q2. During *pump-up*, the on time is terminated by Q2, which senses the ramped source current of Q1. C1 is charged on alternate half-cycles by Q2 and forward-biased by zener D2.

When the regulated level is reached, forward bias is applied to Q2, terminating the on time earlier at a lower peak current. When this occurs, the frequency increases in inverse proportion to current, but the energy per cycle decreases in proportion to current squared. Therefore, the total power coupled through the transformer to the secondary is decreased.

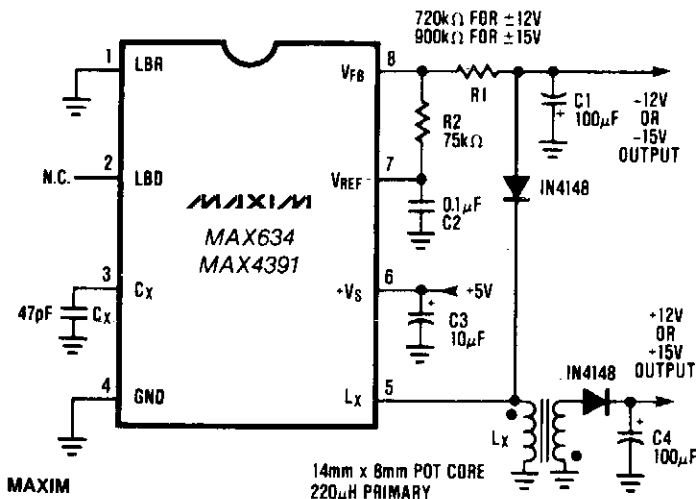
## 1.5-W OFFLINE CONVERTER



This nonisolated, unregulated, minimum component converter fills the void between low-power zener regulation and the higher power use of a 60-Hz input transformer. It is intended for use wherever a nonisolated supply can be used safely.

The circuit operates by conducting only during the low-voltage portion of the rectified sine wave. R1 and D2 charge C1 to approximately 20 V, which is maintained by Q1. This voltage is applied to the gate of Q2, turning it on. When the rectified output voltage exceeds the zener voltage of D4, Q1 turns on, shunting the gate of Q2 to ground, turning it off.

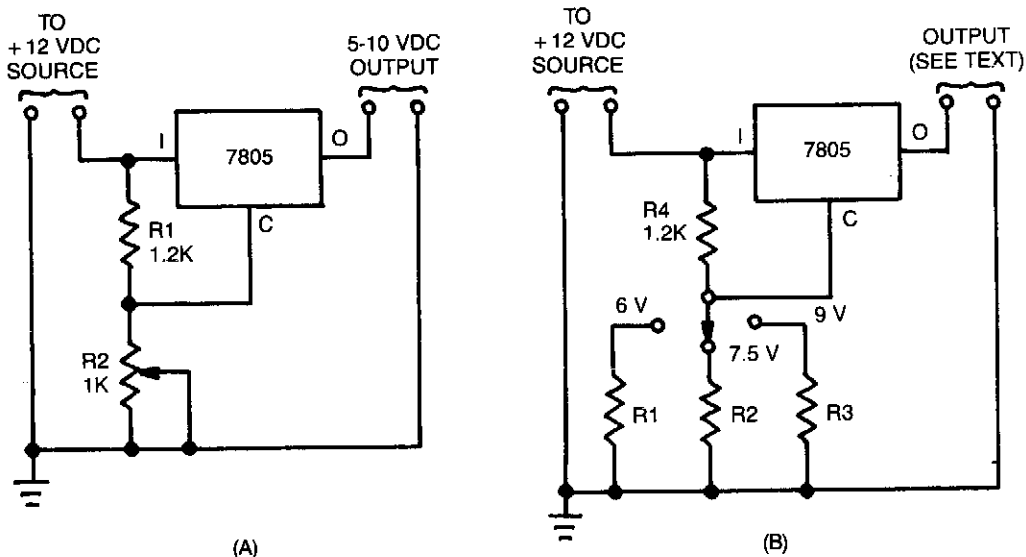
## DUAL OUTPUT $\pm 12$ OR $\pm 15$ V DC-DC CONVERTER



## DUAL OUTPUT $\pm 12$ OR $\pm 15$ V DC-DC CONVERTER (Cont.)

The buck-boost configuration of the MAX634 is well suited for dual output dc-dc converters. Only a second winding on the inductor is needed. Typically, this second winding is bifilar—primary and secondary are wound simultaneously using two wires in parallel. The inductor core is usually a toroid or a pot core. The negative output voltage is fully regulated by the MAX634. The positive voltage is semiregulated, and will vary slightly with load changes on either the positive or negative outputs.

### 12-TO-16 V CONVERTER

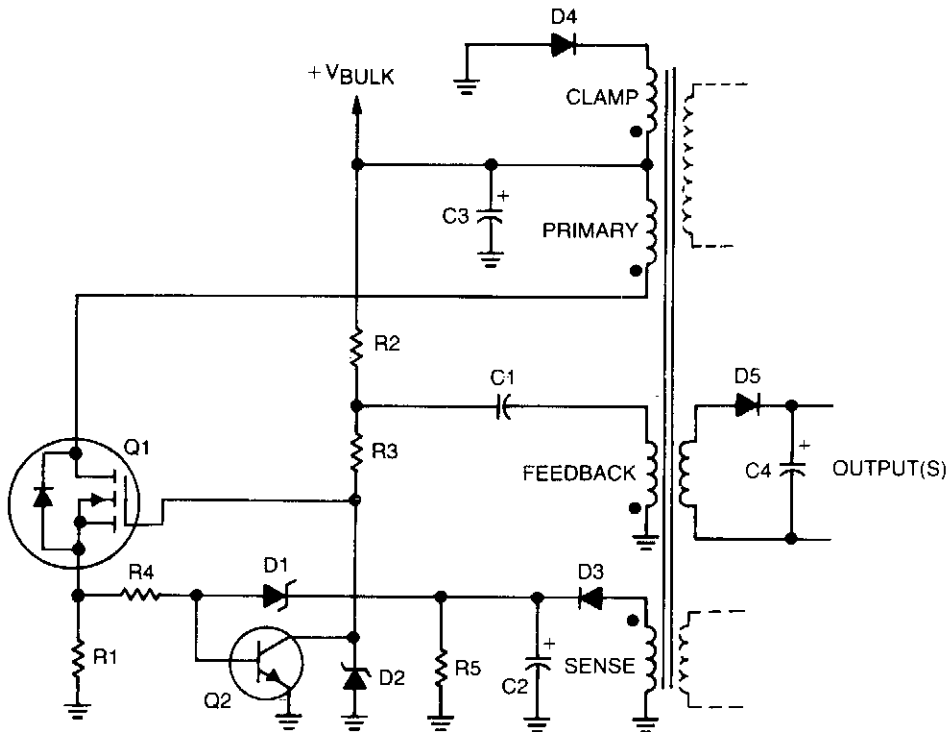


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Fig. 122-8

Many devices operate from a car's 12-V electrical system. Some require 12 V; others require some lesser voltage. An automobile battery's output can vary from 12 to 13.8 V under normal circumstances. The load requirements of the device might vary. This circuit maintains a constant voltage regardless of how those factors change. Simple circuit, A, uses a 7805 voltage regulator. In addition to a constant output, this IC provides overload and short-circuit protection. That unit is a 5-V, 1-A regulator, but when placed in circuit B, it can provide other voltages as well. When the arm of potentiometer R1 is moved toward ground, the output varies from 5 to about 10 V.

## SELF-OSCILLATING FLYBACK-SWITCHING CONVERTER



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**Fig. 122-9**

Regulation is provided by taking the rectified output of the sense winding and applying it as a bias to the base of Q2 via zener D1. The collector of Q2 then removes drive from the gate of Q1. Therefore, if the output voltage should increase, Q2 removes the drive to Q1 earlier, shortening the on time, and the output voltage will remain the same. Dc outputs are obtained by merely rectifying and filtering secondary windings, as done by D5 and C4.

# 123

## Voltage-to-Frequency Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section beginning on page 782. The figure number contained in the box of each circuit correlates to the sources entry in the Sources section.

1 Hz-to-30 MHz Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

Differential-Input Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

Low-Cost Voltage-to-Frequency Converter

Wide-Range Voltage-to-Frequency Converter

5 kHz-to-2 MHz Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

Preserved Input Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

1 Hz-to-10 MHz Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

Voltage-to-Frequency Converter

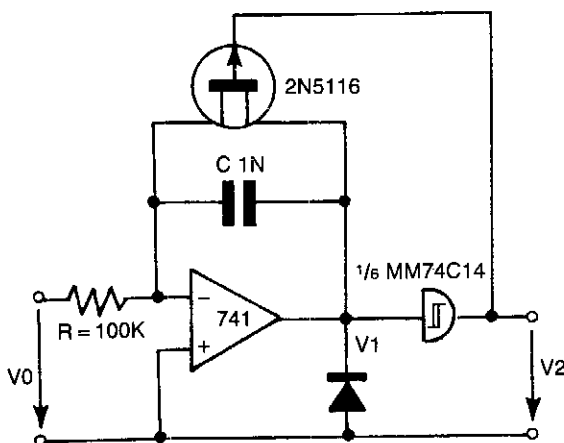
1 Hz-to-1.25 MHz Voltage-to-Frequency  
Converter

Accurate Voltage-to-Frequency Converter  
Voltage-to-Frequency Converter





## LOW-COST VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

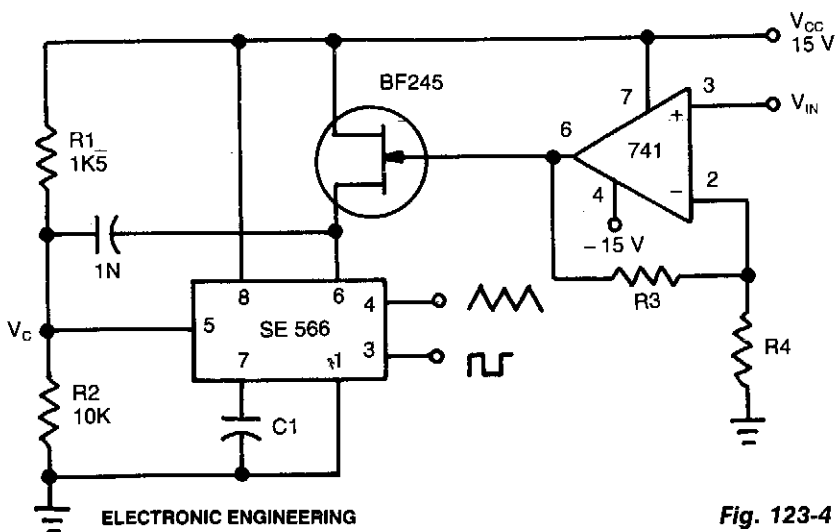


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Fig. 123-3

The 741 op amp integrator signal is fed into the Schmitt trigger input of an inverter. When the signal reaches the magnitude of the positive-going threshold voltage, the output of the inverter is switched to zero. The inverter output controls the FET switch directly. For a gate voltage of zero, the FET channel turns on to low resistance and the capacitor is discharged. The discharge current depends on the on resistance of the FET. When the capacitor C1 is discharged to the negative-going threshold level of the inverter, the inverter output is switched to  $\pm 12$  V. This switch causes the FET channel to be switched off, and the discharging process is switched into a charging process again. Using the components shown, an output frequency of about 10 kHz with 0.1% linearity can be obtained.

## WIDE-RANGE VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

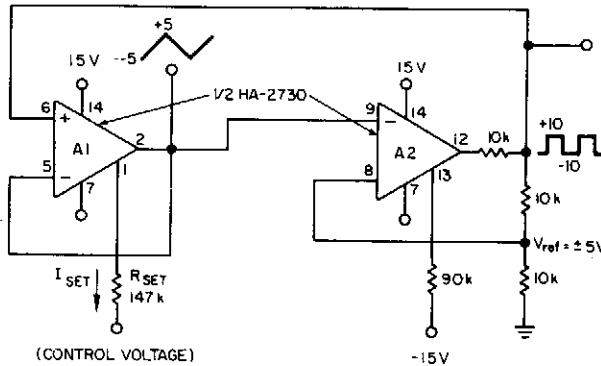


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Fig. 123-4

This circuit is based upon the change of frequency of the function generator with the input voltage  $V_{IN}$ . Generally, the frequency depends upon the capacitance and resistor connected to pin 6. This resistor is replaced by the FET. The frequency range is adjustable by changing the input voltage,  $V_{IN}$ ; the converter will give a range of 10 Hz to 1 MHz.

## WIDE-RANGE VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



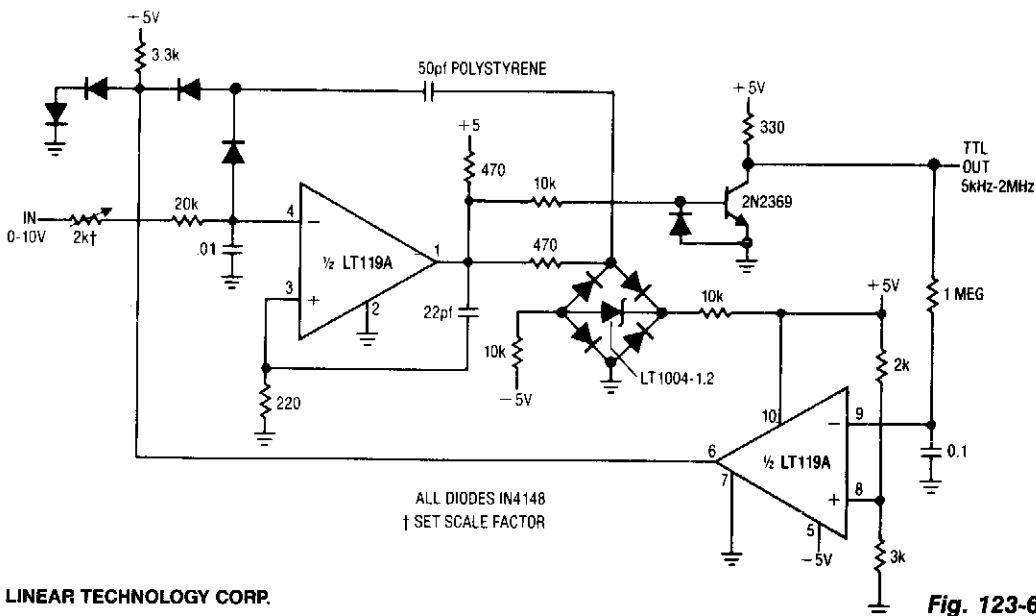
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(CONTROL VOLTAGE)

Fig. 123-5

This circuit uses a programmable op amp such as the HA2730—a two-amplifier monolithic chip with independent programming ports for each amplifier—whose slew rate and other parameters vary linearly with a so-called *set current*. The converter circuit uses one amplifier, A1, as a slewing amplifier and other, A2, as a comparator function. The control voltage  $V_C$ , determines A1's slew rate. And, because A1's output voltage swing is constant, the modulation of its set current results in direct control of the circuit's frequency. A1's internal compensation capacitor acts as the timing component. An internal bipolar current source, whose current magnitude is directly proportional to the set current of pin 1, then determines the charge-discharge rate. A conversion nonlinearity of  $\pm 0.03\%$  of full scale over 3 decades and  $\pm 1.5\%$  of full scale over 4.3 decades of frequency is possible. The frequency range is adjustable by a change in the resistance,  $R$ .

## 5 KHz-TO-2 MHz VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



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Fig. 123-6

## PRESERVED INPUT VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

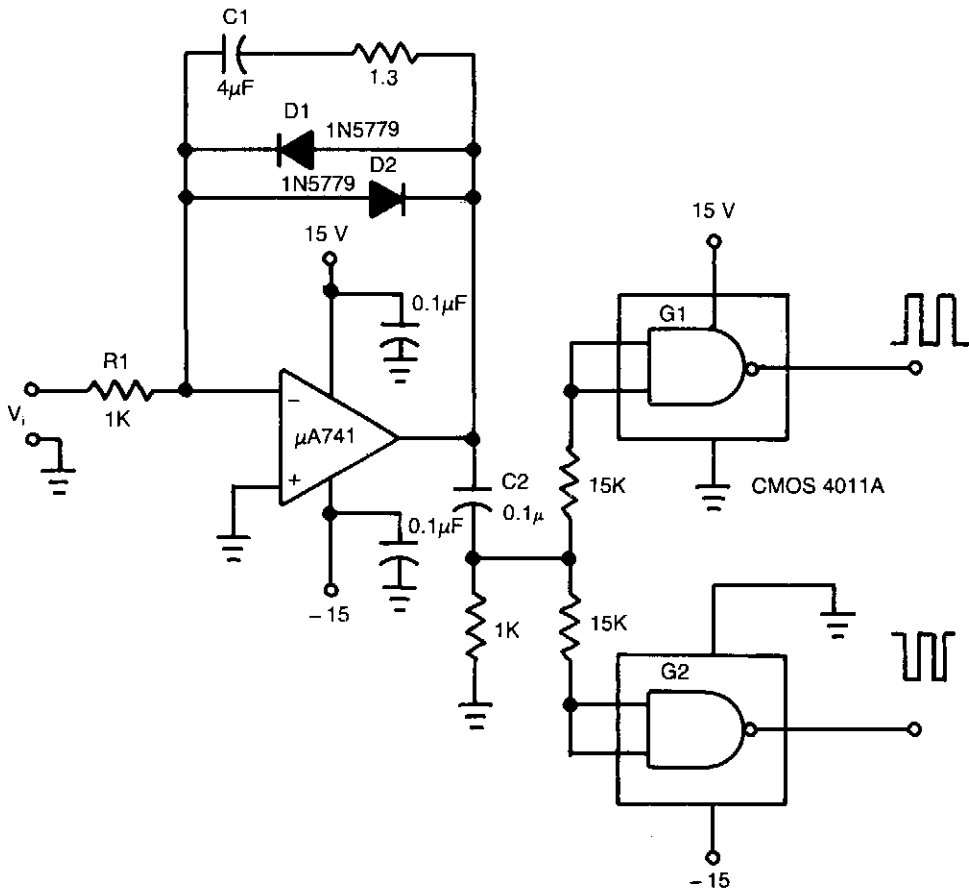


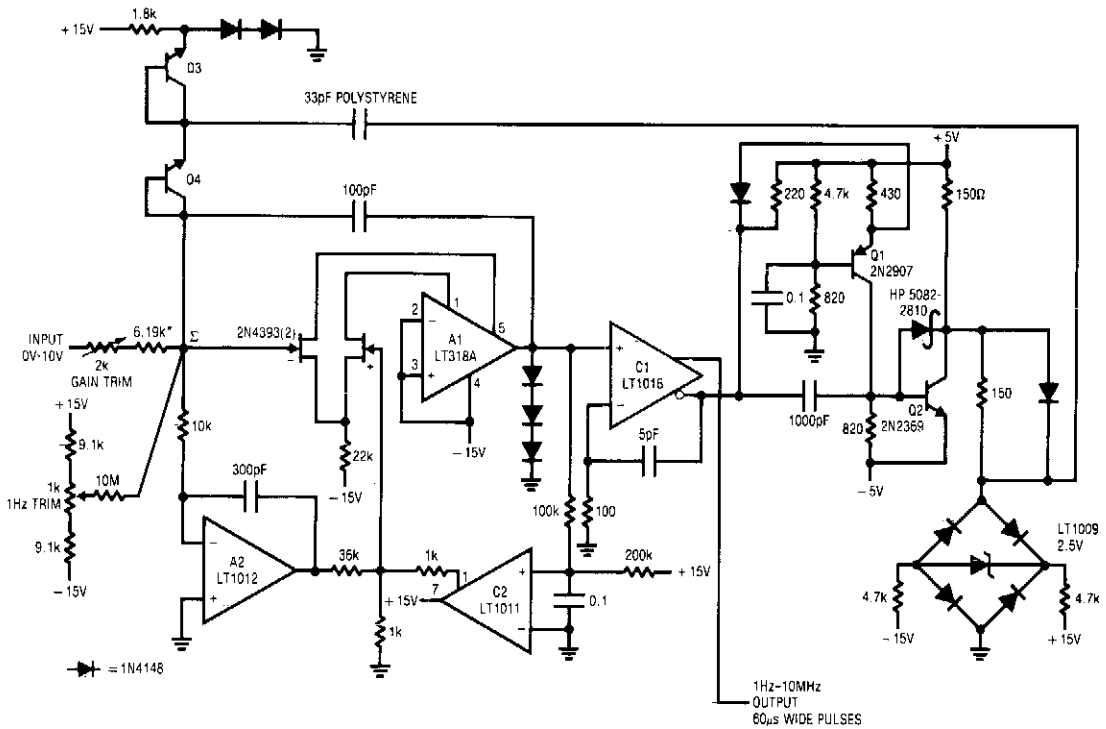
Fig. 123-7

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

The input voltage,  $V_1$ , causes  $C_1$  to charge and produce a ramp voltage at the output of the 741 op amp. Diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are four-layer devices. When the voltage across  $C_1$  reaches the breakover voltage of either diode, the diode conducts to discharge  $C_1$  rapidly and the op amp output goes abruptly to zero. This rapid discharge action applies a narrow pulse to  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . Positive discharge pulses produced by a positive  $V_1$  are coupled to the output only through  $G_1$ , while negative pulses are coupled only through  $G_2$ .

Because of the forward breakover current of diodes  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , the circuit won't operate below a minimum input voltage. An increase of  $R_1$  increases this minimum voltage and reduces the circuit's dynamic range. The minimum input voltage with  $R_1$  at  $1\text{ K}\Omega$  is in the range of 10 to 50 mV. This input dead zone, when input signal  $V_1$  is near zero is desirable in applications that require a signal to exceed a certain level before an output is generated.

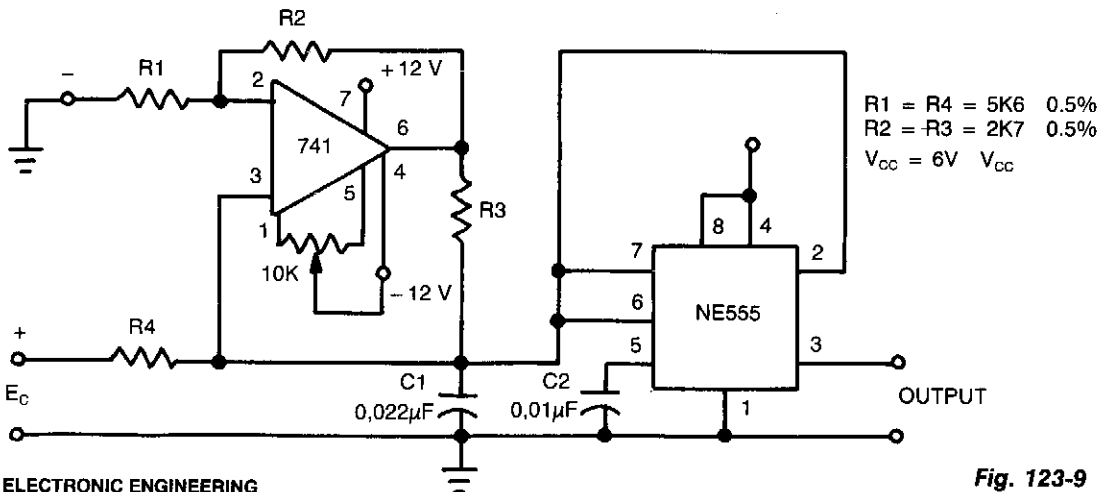
## 1 Hz-TO-10 MHz VOLTAGE-TO FREQUENCY CONVERTER



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Fig. 123-8

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



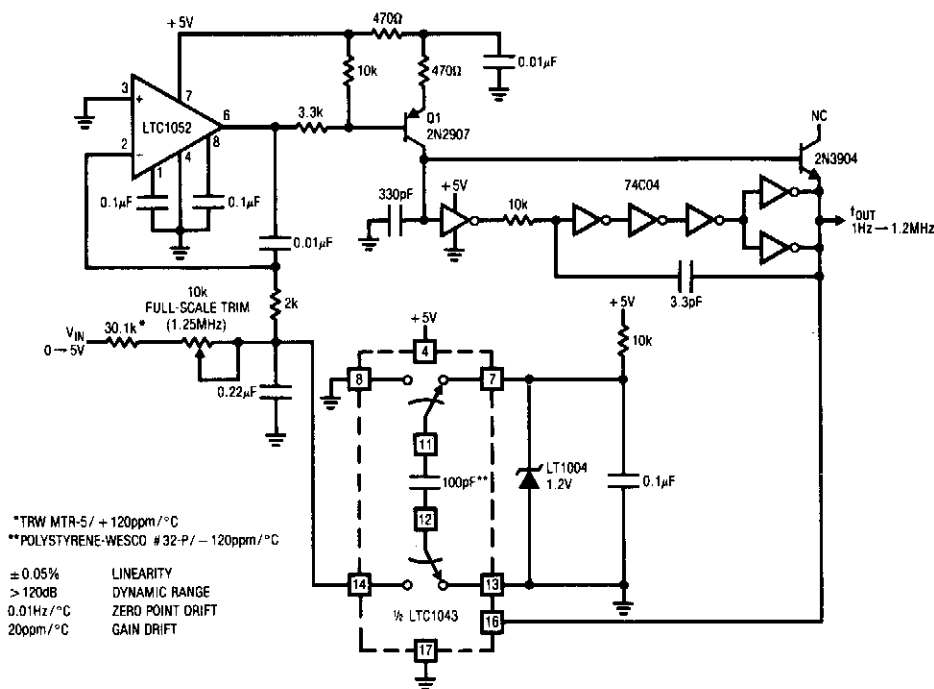
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Fig. 123-9

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER (Cont.)

This circuit can accept positive or negative or differential control voltages. The output frequency is zero when the control voltage is zero. The 741 op amp forms a current source controlled by the voltage  $E_C$  to charge the timing capacitor C1 linearly. NE555 is connected in the astable mode, so that the capacitor charges and discharges between  $1/3 V_{CC}$  and  $2/3 V_{CC}$ . The offset is adjusted by the 10-K potentiometer so that the frequency is zero when the input is zero. For the component values shown:  $f \approx 4.2 E_C$  kHz. If two dc voltages are applied to the ends of R1 and R4, the output frequency will be proportional to the difference between the two voltages.

### 1 HZ-TO-1.25 MHZ VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

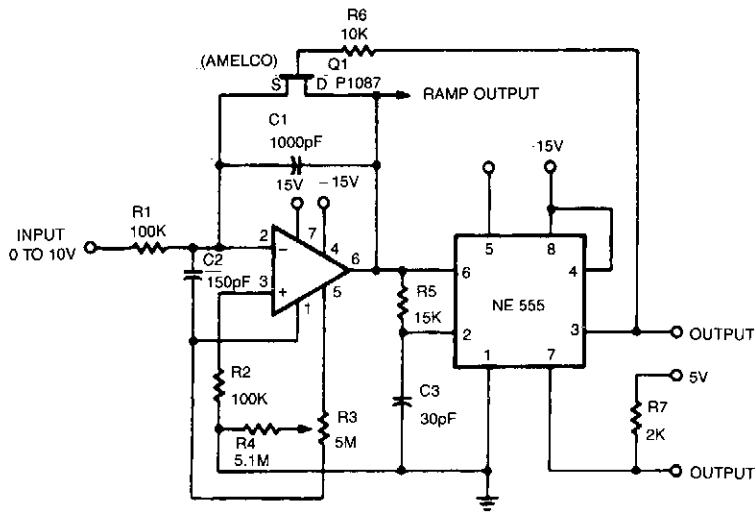


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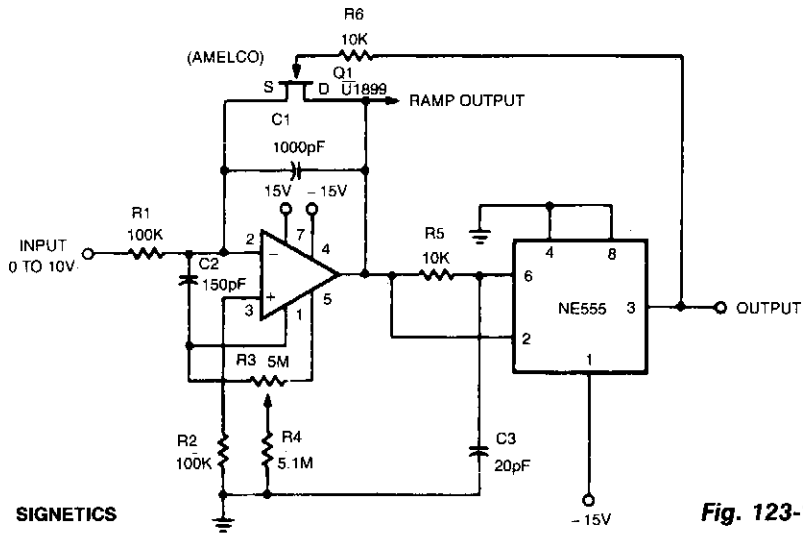
Fig. 123-10

This stabilized voltage-to-frequency converter features 1 Hz – 1.25 MHz operation, 0.05% linearity, and a temperature coefficient of typically 20 ppm/°C. This circuit runs from a single 5-V supply. The converter uses a charge feedback scheme to allow the LTC1052 to close a loop around the entire circuit, instead of simply controlling the offset. This approach enhances linearity and stability, but introduces the loop's settling time into the overall voltage-to-frequency step-response characteristic.

## ACCURATE VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



(a)



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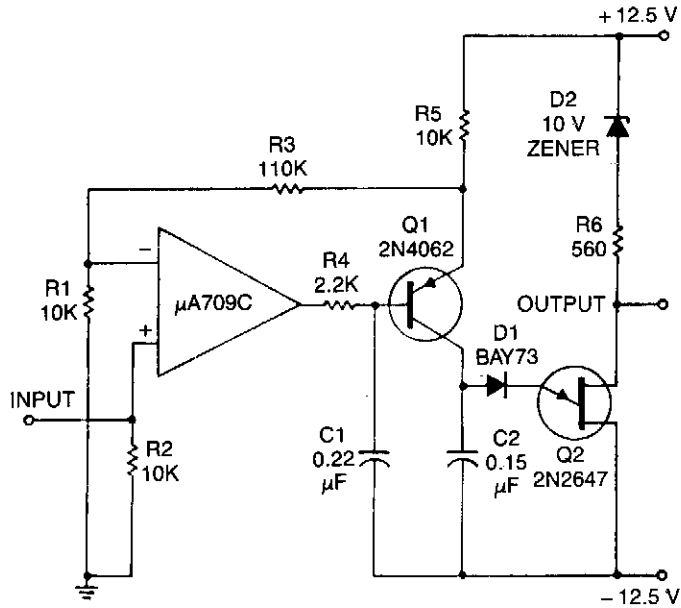
**Fig. 123-11**

(b)

NOTE:  
ALL RESISTOR VALUES IN OHMS

This linear voltage-to-frequency converter, a, achieves good linearity over 0 to -10 V. Its mirror image, b, provides the same linearity over 0 to +10 V, but it is not DTL/TTL compatible.

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 123-12

This circuit consists of a UJT oscillator in which the timing charge capacitor  $C_2$  is linearly dependent on the input signal voltage. The charging current is set by the voltage across resistor  $R_5$ , which is accurately controlled by the amplifier.



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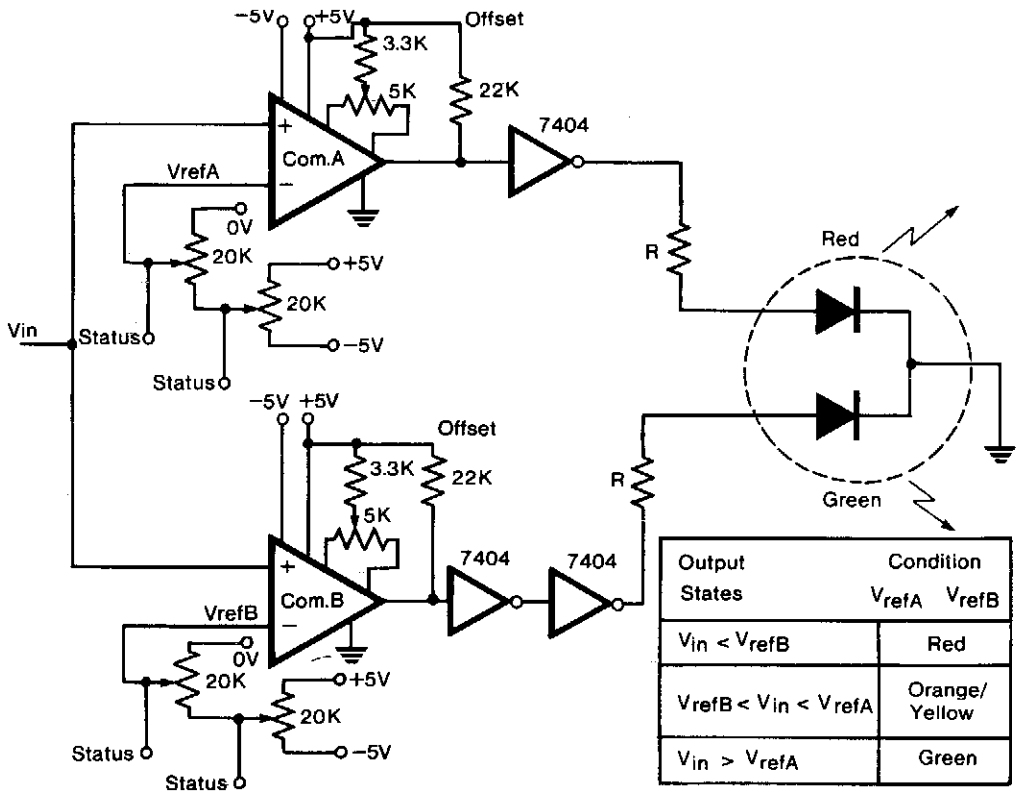
## Voltage Meters/Monitors/Indicators

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|  |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Voltage-Level Indicator                            | Voltage Monitor                 |
| 4 <sup>1/2</sup> -Digit DVM                        | Audio Millivoltmeter            |
| Full-Scale Four-Decade 3 <sup>1/2</sup> -Digit DVM | High-Input Resistance Voltmeter |
| Over/Under Voltage Monitor                         | Frequency Counter               |
| High Input Resistance Dc Voltmeter                 | Audio Millivoltmeter            |
| Dc Voltmeter                                       | Low-Voltage Indicator           |
| Voltage Freezer                                    | FET Voltmeter                   |
| Multiplexed Common-Cathode<br>LED-Display ADC      | Simplified Voltage-Level Sensor |
| Ac Voltmeter                                       | Peak Program Detector           |
| FET Voltmeter                                      | Wide-Range AC Voltmeter         |
| Sensitive Rf Voltmeter                             | Visible Voltage Indicator       |

## VOLTAGE-LEVEL INDICATOR



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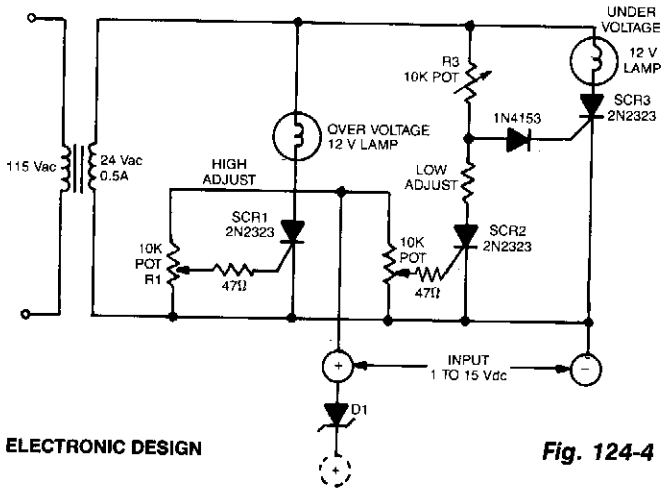
Fig. 124-1

A tricolor LED, acts as the visual indicator of the voltage level. The voltage to be measured is connected to the two comparators in parallel. The first 20-K $\Omega$  trimmer defines a voltage between  $\pm 5$  V and this becomes the full-scale value of the reference voltage. The second trimmer is a fine adjustment to give any reference voltage between 0 V and the full-scale voltage. Thus, it is possible to select both positive and negative reference voltages. During the initialization procedure, a voltage, equal to the reference voltage of each comparator, is connected to the input terminal, and the offset balance potentiometer is adjusted to give a reading between the high and low output voltage levels. The inverter following comp A ensures that, whatever the input voltage, at least one diode is lit. The two inverters following comp B leave the voltage largely unchanged, but provide the current necessary to illuminate the diode. The value of the resistance should be chosen so that the current through any single diode does not exceed the specified limit, usually 30 mA. The LED contains a red and a green diode with a common cathode. When both diodes are lit, a third color, orange, is emitted. With  $V_{refA}$  greater than  $V_{refB}$ , the output states given in the diagram apply.





## OVER/UNDER VOLTAGE MONITOR

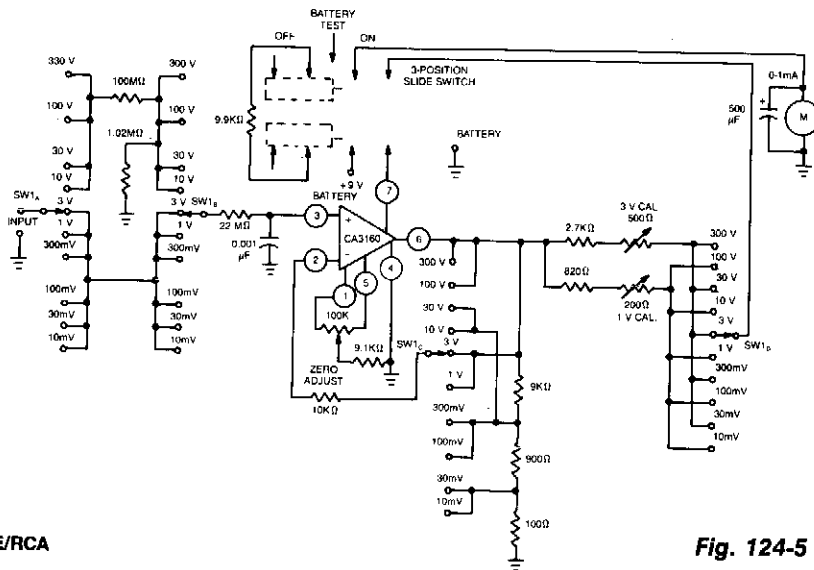


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 124-4

Any potential from 1 to 15 V can be monitored with this circuit. Two lamps alert any undesirable variation. The voltage differential from lamp turn-on to turn-off is about 0.2 V at any setting. High and low set points are independent of each other. The SCRs used in the circuit should be the sensitive gate type. R3 must be experimentally determined for the particular series of SCRs used. This is done by adjusting R3 to the point where the undervoltage lamp turns on when no signal is present at the SCR2 gate. Any 15-V segment can be monitored by putting the zener diode, D1, in series with the positive input lead. The low set-point voltage will then be the zener voltage plus 0.8 V.

## HIGH INPUT RESISTANCE DC VOLTMETER



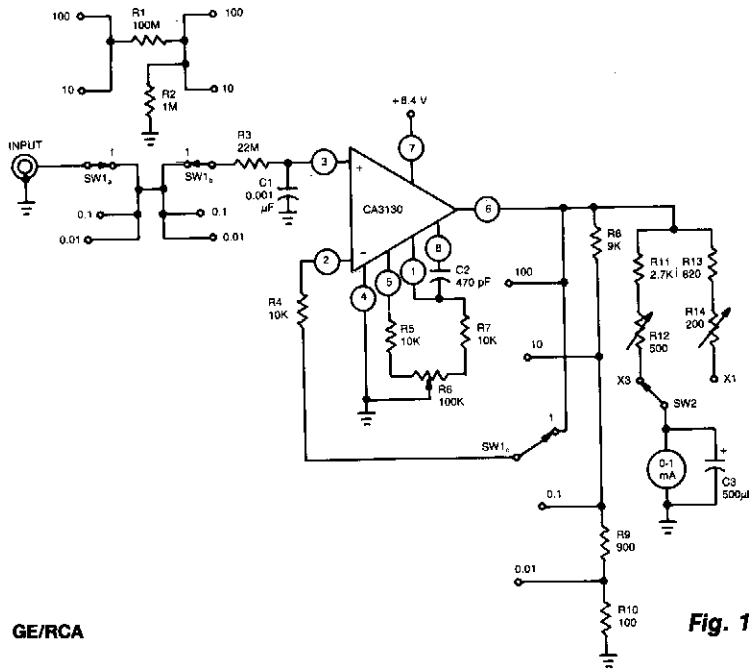
GE/RCA

Fig. 124-5

## HIGH INPUT RESISTANCE DC VOLTMETER (Cont.)

This voltmeter exploits a number of the CA3160 BiMOS op amp's useful characteristics. The available voltage ranges from 10 mV to 300 V. Powered by a single 8.4-V mercury battery, this circuit, with zero input, consumes approximately 500  $\mu$ A. Thus, at full-scale input, the total supply current will increase by 1000  $\mu$ A.

### DC VOLTMETER



GE/RCA

Fig. 124-6

This dc voltmeter, with high input resistance, uses a CA3130 BiMOS op amp and measures voltages from 10 mV to 300 V. Resistors R12 and R14 are used individually to calibrate the meter for full-scale deflection. Potentiometer R6 is used to null the op amp and meter on the 10-mV range by shorting the input terminals, then adjusting R6 for the first indication of upscale meter deflection.

### VOLTAGE FREEZER

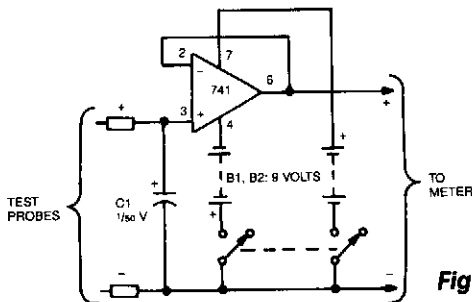


Fig. 124-7

This circuit reads and stores voltages, thus freezing the meter reading even after the probes are removed. The op amp is configured as a unity-gain voltage follower, with C1 situated at the input to store the voltage. For better performance, use an LF13741 or a TL081 op amp in place of the 741. These two are JFET devices and offer a much higher input impedance than the 741.

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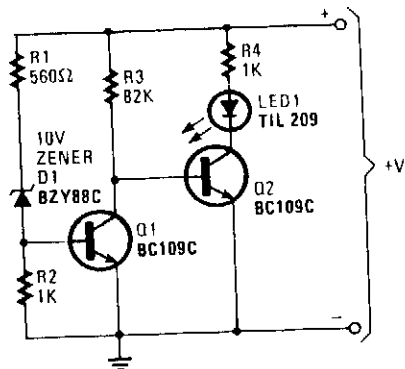








## VOLTAGE MONITOR

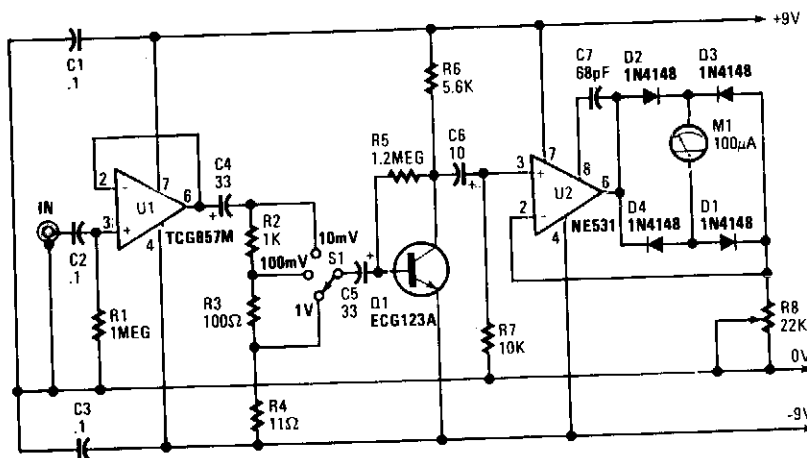


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Fig. 124-12

If the battery voltage exceeds about 11 V, current flows through R1, D1, and R2. The voltage produced as a result of current flow through R2 is sufficient to bias transistor Q1 into conduction. That places the collector voltage of Q1 virtually at ground. Therefore, Q2, driven from the collector of Q1, is cut off, LED1 and current-limiting resistor R4 are connected in the collector circuit of Q2. With Q2 in the cut-off state, the LED does not light. Should Q1's base voltage drop below approximately 0.6 V, Q1 turns off, biasing Q2 on and illuminating LED1 to indicate that the battery voltage has fallen below the 11 V threshold level.

## AUDIO MILLIVOLTMETER



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Fig. 124-13

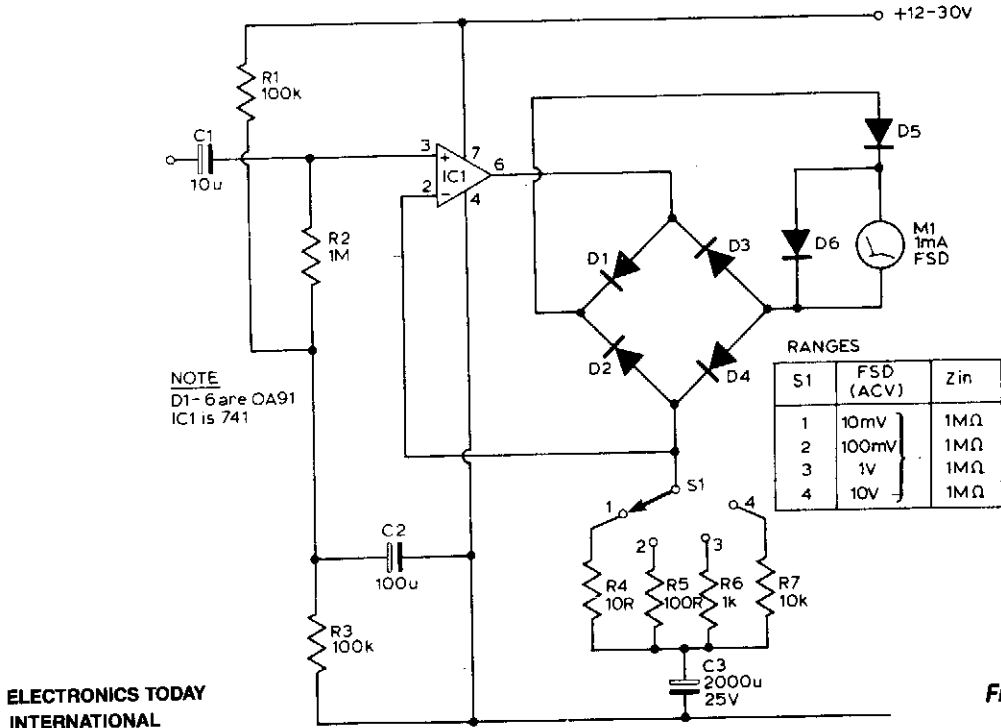
Capacitor C4 couples the output of U1 to a simple attenuator, which is used to provide a loss of 0 dB, 20 dB, or 40 dB, depending on the setting of range switch S1. The circuit's sensitivity is 10-V rms for full-scale deflection, so the attenuator gives additional ranges of 100-mV and 1-V rms. The attenuator output is connected through capacitor C5 to common-emitter amplifier Q1, which has a high-voltage gain of 40 dB.

To get linear scaling on the meter, we have to use an active-rectifier circuit built around U2. That IC is connected so that its noninverting input is biased to the 0-V bus via R7. Capacitor C6 couples the output of Q1 to the noninverting input of U2; C7 is the compensation capacitor for U2.

The voltage gain of U2 is set by the difference in resistance between the output and the inverting input, and between the inverting input and the ground bus. One resistance is made up of the diode-bridge rectifier D1 through D4, the other by resistor R8. This circuit has a nearly flat frequency response to about 200 kHz.



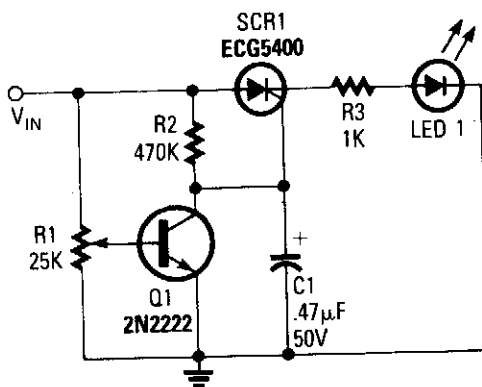
## AUDIO MILLIVOLTMETER



**Fig. 124-16**

This circuit has a flat response from 8 Hz to 50 kHz at -3 db on the 10-mV range. The upper limit remains the same on the less sensitive ranges, but the lower frequency limit covers under 1 Hz.

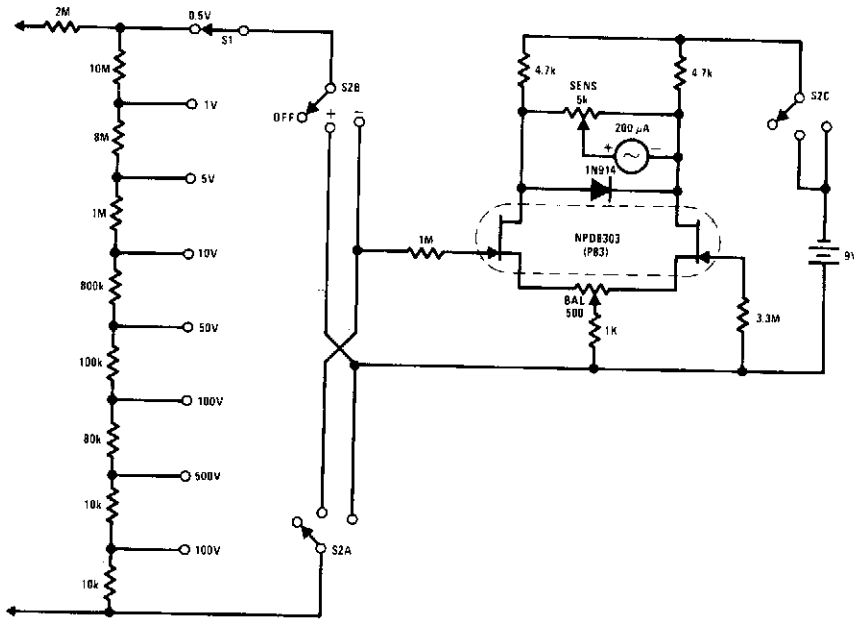
## LOW-VOLTAGE INDICATOR



**Fig. 124-17**

Input terminal  $V_{IN}$  is connected to the +V line of the circuit that the indicator is to monitor, and the grounds of both circuits are connected together. The position of potentiometer R1's wiper determines Q1's base voltage. As long as the transistor gets enough bias voltage to remain on, the low voltage at the collector will keep the SCR from firing. As the battery voltage starts to fall, the transistor's base voltage will fall as well. When Q1 turns off ( $V_{IN}$  drops), the collector voltage increases. That voltage provides enough gate drive to turn on the SCR, which turns on the LED. The LED could also be a buzzer or almost any other type of warning device.

## FET VOLTMETER

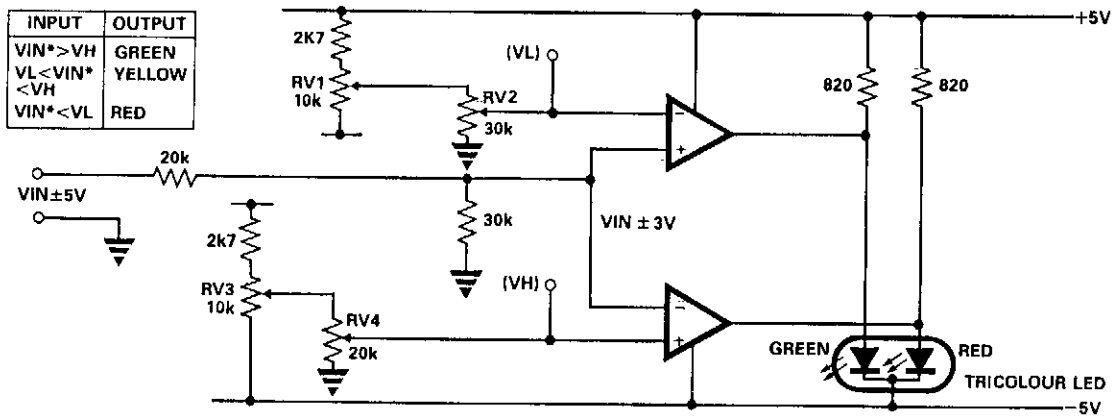


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Fig. 124-18

This FETVM replaces the function of the VTVM and rids the instrument of the usual line cord. In addition, FET drift rates are far superior to vacuum tube circuits, allowing a 0.5 V full-scale range which is impractical with most vacuum tubes. The low leakage, low noise NPDE303 is ideal for this application.

## SIMPLIFIED VOLTAGE-LEVEL SENSOR



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Fig. 124-19

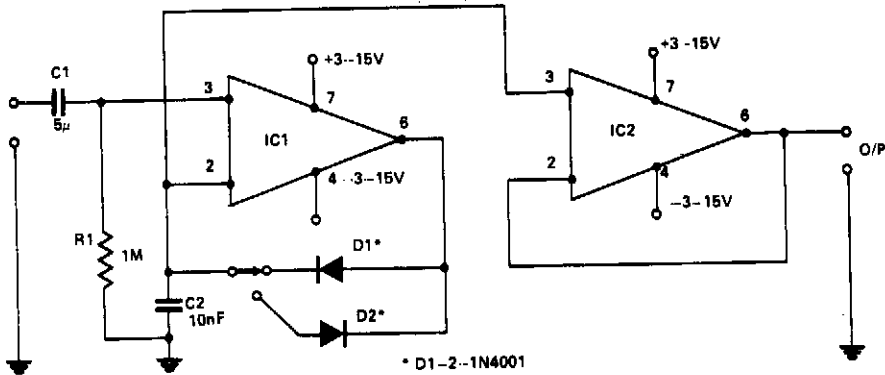
## SIMPLIFIED VOLTAGE-LEVEL SENSOR (Cont.)

This circuit uses only one IC, either 1, LM393 dual comparator or  $\frac{1}{2}$ , LM339 quad comparator. RV1 and RV3 set the full scale reference voltage, and RV2 and RV4 set the switching thresholds to a value between 0 V and the full-scale reference. The change in input voltage needed to fully switch the output state is less than 0.05 mV (typical).

An alternative is:

| INPUT              | OUTPUT |
|--------------------|--------|
| $V_{IN}, V_H$      | red    |
| $V_H, V_{IN}, V_L$ | yellow |
| $V_{IN}, V_L$      | green  |

## PEAK PROGRAM DETECTOR



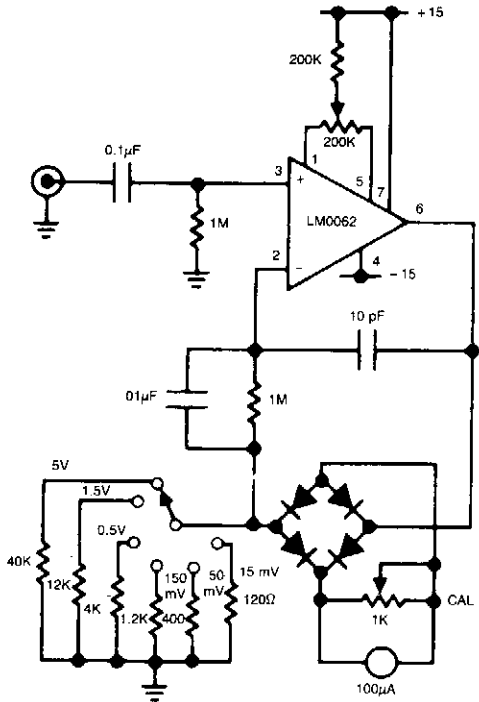
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**Fig. 124-20**

This circuit will allow a multimeter to display the positive or negative peaks of an incoming signal. A 741, IC1, is used in the noninverting mode with R1 defining the input impedance. D1 or D2 will conduct on a positive or negative peak, charging C2 until the inverting input is at the same dc level as the incoming peak. This level will maintain the voltage until a higher peak is detected, then this will be stored by C2. Another 741, IC2, prevents loading by the multimeter. Connected in the noninverting mode as a unity gain buffer, output impedance is less than 1  $\Omega$ . This circuit has a useful frequency response from 10 Hz to 100 kHz at  $\pm 1$  dB. High linearity is ensured by placing the diodes in the feedback loop of IC1, effectively compensating for the 0.6 V bias that these components require.

## WIDE-RANGE AC VOLTMETER

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In this circuit, a diode bridge is used as a meter rectifier. The offset voltage is compensated for by the op amp, since the bridge is in the feedback network.

Fig. 124-21

## VISIBLE VOLTAGE INDICATOR

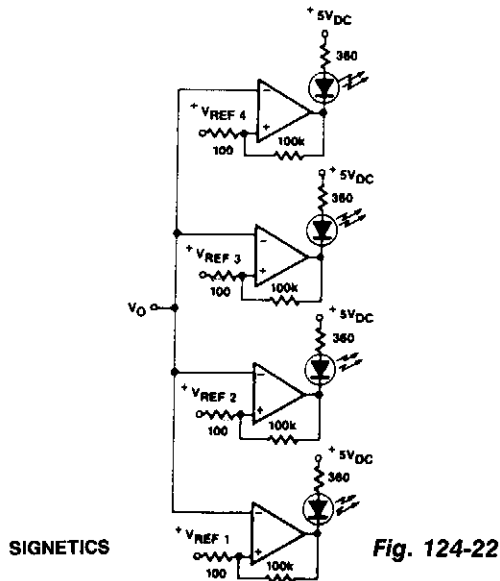


Fig. 124-22

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## Voltage References

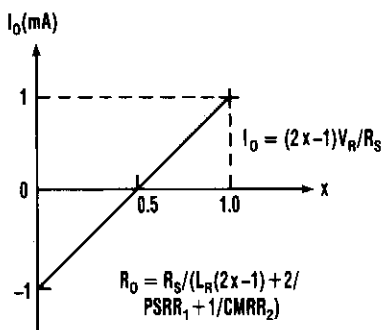
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Bipolar Reference Source  
Expanded-Scale Analog Meter  
Digitally Controlled Voltage Reference



## BIPOLAR REFERENCE SOURCE



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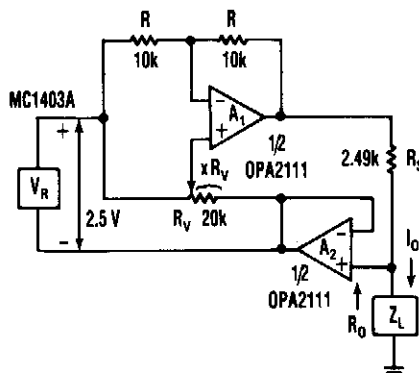
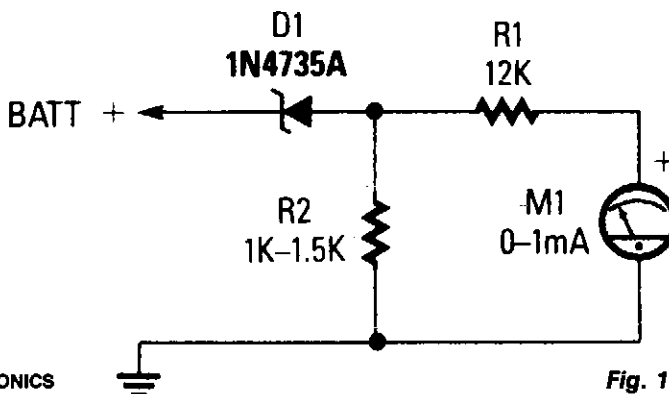


Fig. 125-1

This current source has continuous control of the magnitude and polarity of its amplifier gain and needs only one voltage reference. The circuit includes reference  $V_R$ , voltage-amplifier circuit A1 with gain-setting resistor  $R_S$ , and bootstrap-follower amplifier A2. The bootstrapping converts the circuit to a current source and allows the load to be grounded. Any voltage developed across load  $Z_L$  feeds back to the reference and voltage amplifier, making their functions immune to that voltage. Then the current-source circuitry floats, instead of the load.

The voltage reference is connected to both the inverting and noninverting inputs of A1; this provides a balanced combination of positive and negative gain. The inverting connection has equal feedback resistors,  $R$ , for a gain of  $-1$ , and the noninverting connection varies according to the fractional setting,  $X$ , of potentiometer  $R_V$ .  $X$  controls the noninverting gain and adjusting it counters the effect of some of the inverting gain. The value of  $X$  is the portion of  $R_V$ 's resistance from the noninverting input of A1 to the temporarily grounded output of A2. Between potentiometer extremes, the current varies with  $X \pm 1$  mA.

## EXPANDED-SCALE ANALOG METER



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Fig. 125-2

The circuit consists of 0-1 mA meter M1, 6.2-V zener diode D1, and 12-K $\Omega$ , 1% resistor R1. R2 is included in the circuit as a load resistor for the zener diode. The value of R2 isn't critical; use a value of 1000 to 1500  $\Omega$ . The meter reads from 6 to 18 volts, which is perfect for checking a car's charging system.



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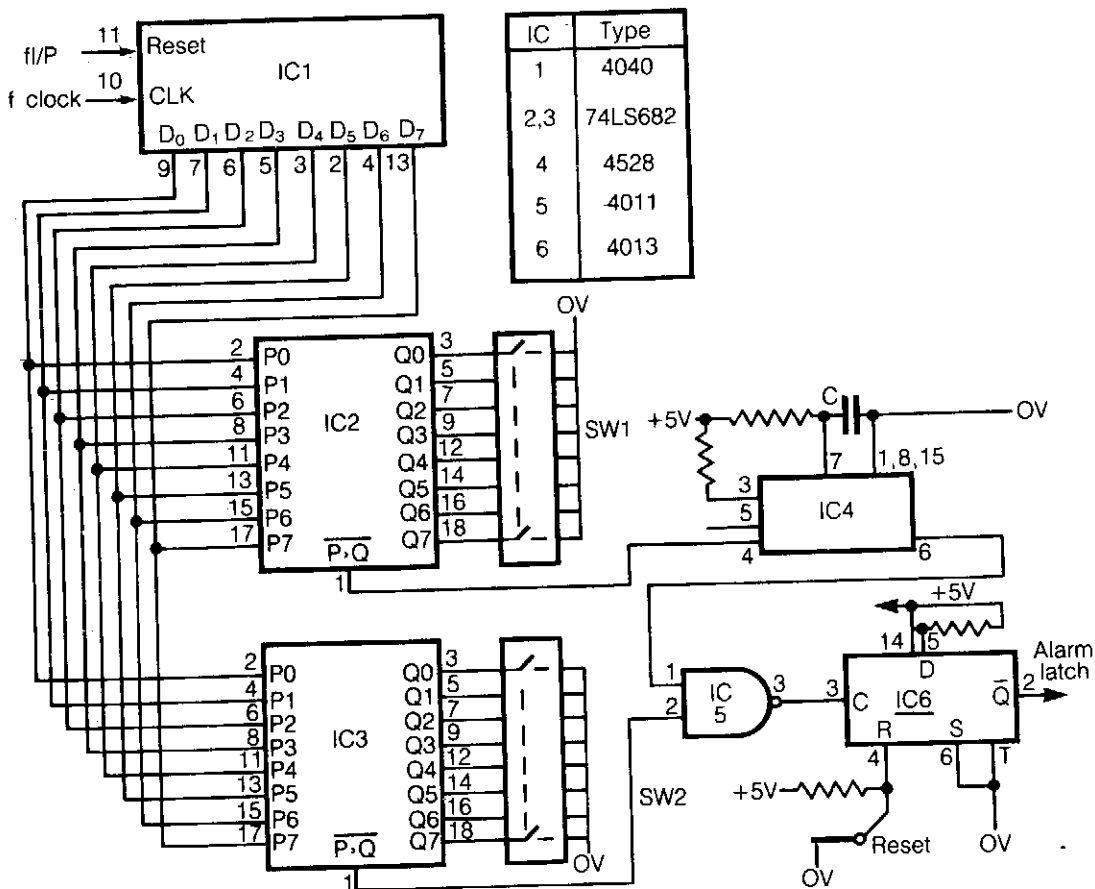
## Window Detectors/ Comparators/Discriminators

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|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Digital Frequency Window | Window Detector           |
| Window Detector          | Simple Window Detector    |
| Window Detector          | Multiple Aperature Window |
| Window Detector          | Detector                  |

## DIGITAL FREQUENCY WINDOW



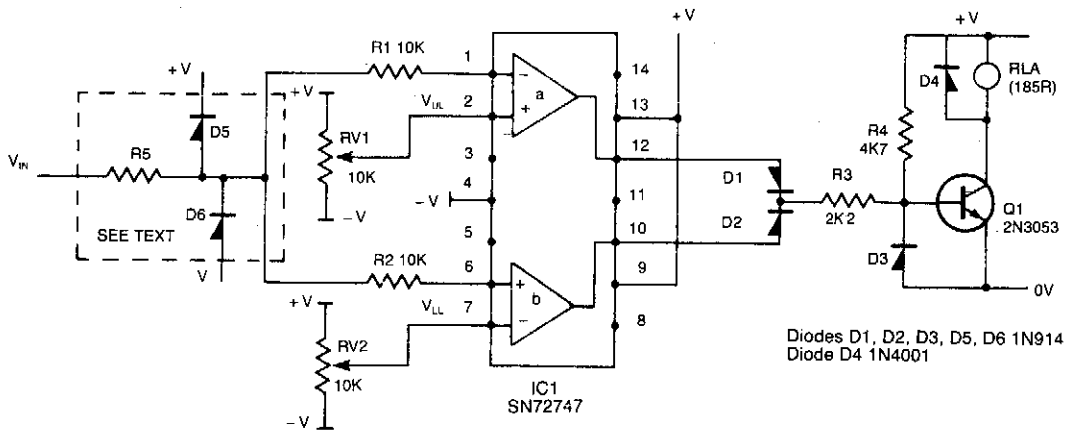
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Fig. 126-1

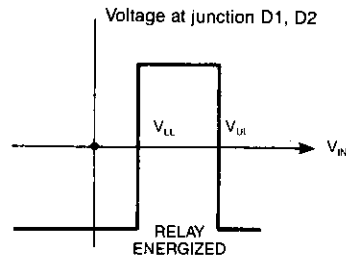
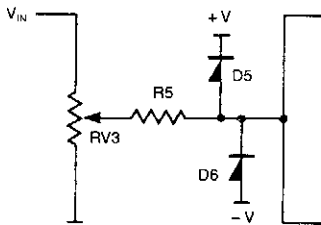
This circuit detects frequency variation above or below preset limits. IC1 is a binary counter clocked at  $F_{CLK}$ . The outputs are compared with switch preset values by IC2 and IC3. The input signal, which must be a positive-going pulse, is used to reset IC1. The *P greater than Q* output of the comparators is at logic 0 for input frequencies below the preset values. Above the preset count, a pulse train is output.

IC2, detects a low input by supplying the pulse train to a retriggerable monostable, IC4. When the input frequency falls below the preset value in SW1, the monostable is no longer triggered and its output falls to logic 0. IC3 detects the frequency high state SW2, and outputs directly when this occurs. The outputs from both comparators can then be latched as shown, using IC5 and IC6. The clock frequency is related to input and switch values:  $\text{switch value} = F_{CLK}/\text{input}$ . The time constant of IC4 is not critical, but must obviously exceed the maximum input pulse period.

## WINDOW DETECTOR



Modification for trigger points  
outside supply rails

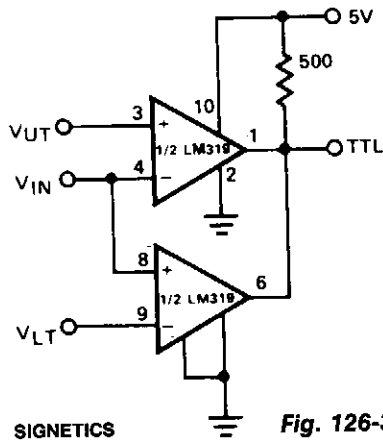


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**Fig. 126-2**

This circuit de-energizes a normally energized relay if the input voltage goes above or below two individually set voltages. The transistor driving the relay is normally turned on by R4, so the relay is normally energized. If the cathode of D1 or D2 is taken negative, Q1 will turn off and the relay will de-energize. The IC is a 72747 dual op amp used without feedback, so the full gain of about 100dB is available. The amplifier output will thus swing from full positive to full negative for a few mV change at the input. The relay is therefore only energized if  $V_{IN}$  is between  $V_{UL}$  and  $V_{LL}$ . The two limits can be set anywhere between the supply rails, but obviously  $V_{UL}$  must be more positive than  $V_{LL}$ . If  $V_{IN}$  can go outside the supply rails, D5, D6, and R5 should be added to prevent damage to IC1. If  $V_{UL}$  and  $V_{LL}$  are required to be outside the supply rails,  $V_{IN}$  can be reduced by RV3. The supplies can be any value, providing that the voltage across them is not more than 30 V.

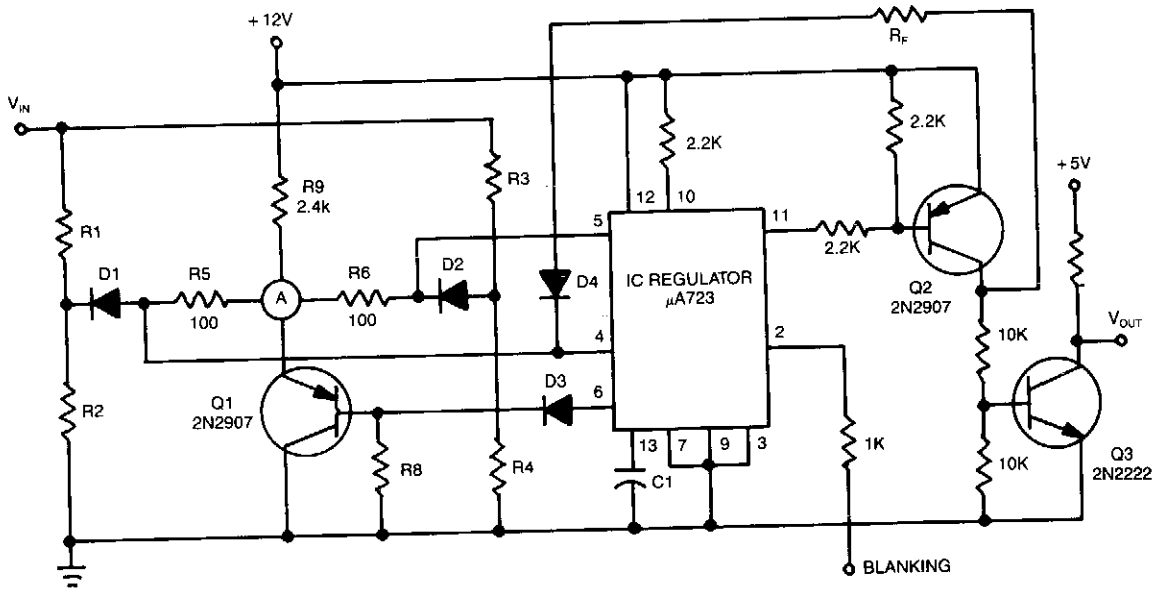
## WINDOW DETECTOR



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Fig. 126-3

## WINDOW DETECTOR

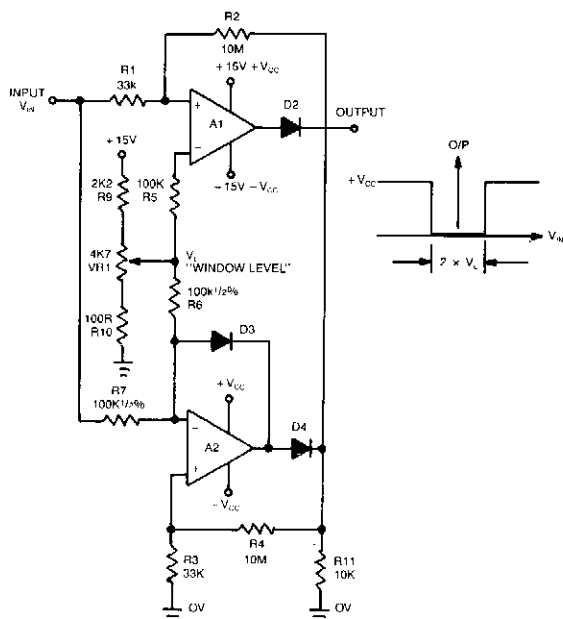


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Fig. 126-4

The detector circuit compares the output voltage of two separate voltage dividers with a fixed reference voltage. The resultant absolute error signal is amplified and converted to a logic signal that is TTL compatible.

## WINDOW DETECTOR

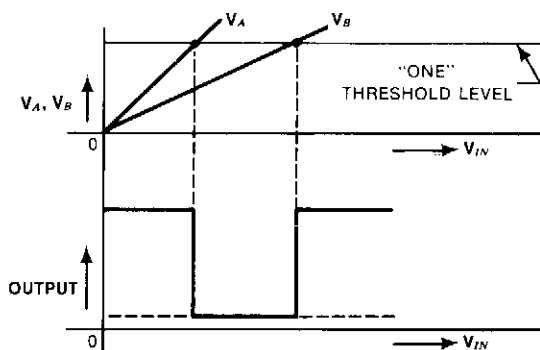
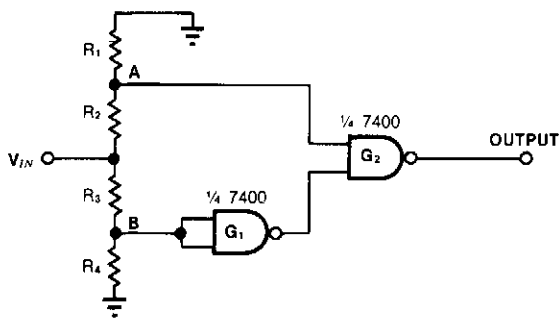


This novel window detector uses only two op amps. The width of the window can be changed by the 4.7-K $\Omega$  potentiometer.

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Fig. 126-5

## SIMPLE WINDOW DETECTOR

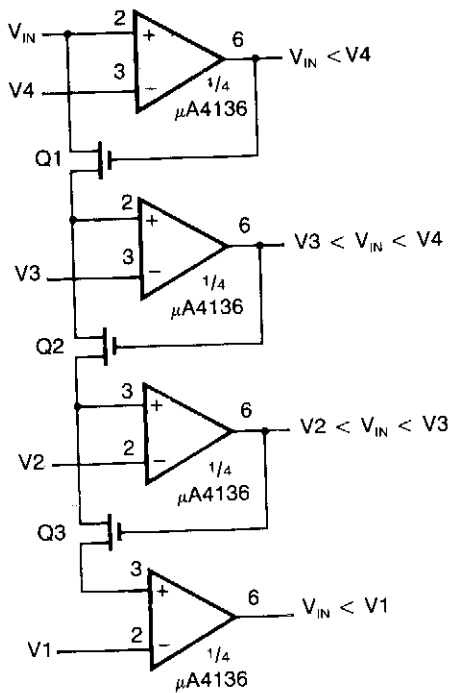


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Fig. 126-6

This simple window detector uses only half of a 7400 quad NAND gate plus four resistors, chosen so that the voltage at point A exceeds the voltage at point B for any input voltage. With no input applied or when  $V_{IN}$  is at ground, the output of gate  $G1$  is one; hence  $G2$ 's output is also one. As the input voltage increases,  $V_A$  rises faster than  $V_B$ . When  $V_A$  reaches an acceptable one level, the circuit's output drops to zero. As the input continues to increase,  $V_B$  rises to an acceptable level, changing the output of  $G2$  to one.

## MULTIPLE APERTURE WINDOW DISCRIMINATOR



The circuit shown here uses  $\mu\text{A}4136$  comparators and FETs Q1 through Q3.

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Fig. 126-7



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# Introduction

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Volume 4 of *Encyclopedia of Electronic Circuits* contains many new, not previously covered circuits, organized into 104 chapters. Circuit titles are listed at the beginning of each chapter, for references. Most of these circuits appeared in publications since 1988 and should be very useful for obtaining new ideas for research and development, or simply to fill a need for a specific circuit idea or application. Those wishing to develop their own circuits will find this book indispensable as a source of ideas, to see how others have solved a problem or approach a design, and to obtain a starting point toward a new design.

A brief explanation accompanies almost every entry. Those that have been omitted are either repetitive, obvious, or too involved to describe in few words. In this case, the reader should consult the original sources (as listed in the back of the book).

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## Active Antennas

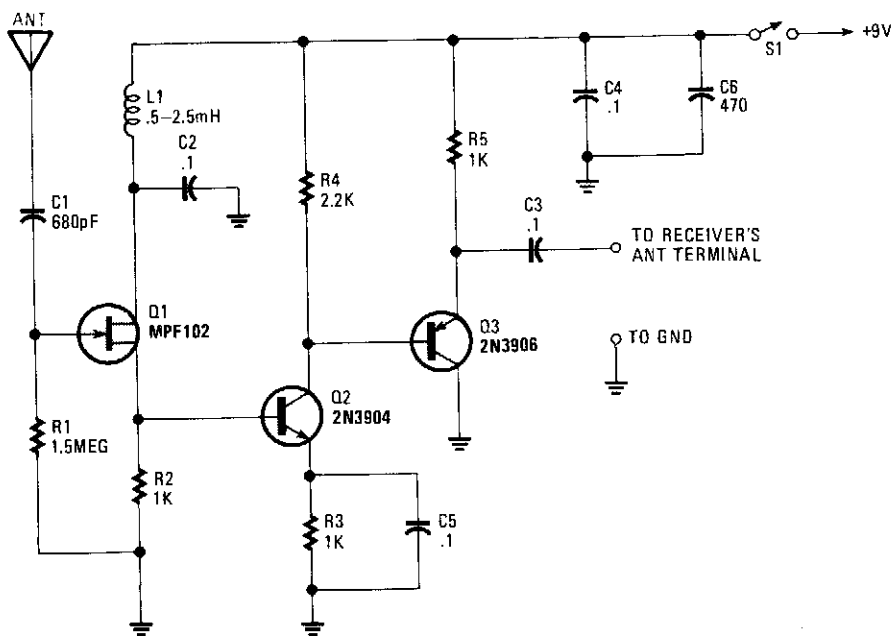
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## ACTIVE ANTENNA WITH GAIN



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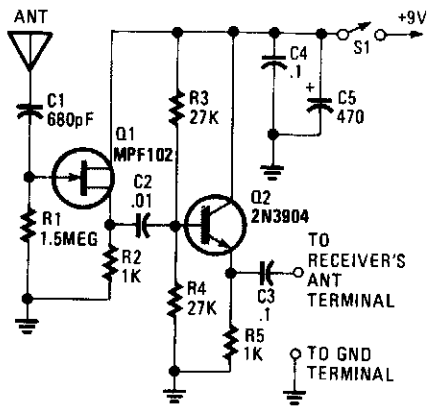
Fig. 1-1

The signal booster, built around a few transistors and support components, offers an RF gain of about 12 to 18 dB (from about 100 kHz to over 30 MHz).

The RF signal is direct-coupled from Q1's source terminal to the base of Q2, which is configured as a voltage amplifier. The output of Q2 is then direct-coupled to the base of Q3 (configured as an emitter-follower amplifier). Transistor Q3 is used to match and isolate the gain stage from the receiver's RF-input circuitry.

Inductor L1 is used to keep any power source noise from reaching the FET (Q1) and any value of RF choke from 0.5 to 2.5 mH will do. The value of R2 sets the Q2 bias at about 2 V. If the voltage is less than 2 V, increase the value of R2 to 1.5 k $\Omega$ . To go below 100 kHz (to the bottom of the RF spectrum), increase the value of C1 to 0.002  $\mu$ F. The antenna is a short pull-up type (42" to 86" long).

## ACTIVE ANTENNA I



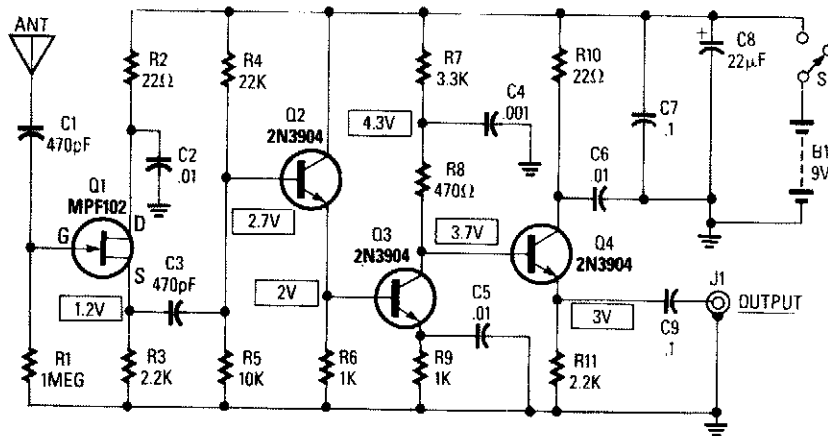
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Fig. 1-2

This circuit is designed to make a short pull-up antenna perform like a long wire antenna, while offering no voltage gain. The circuit boosts the receiver's performance only if the signal at the antenna is of sufficient level to begin with.

This circuit takes a short pull-up antenna that has a high output impedance and couples it to the receiver's low input impedance through a two-transistor impedance-matching network. Transistor Q1's high input impedance and high-frequency characteristics make it a good match for the short antenna, and Q2's low output impedance is a close match for the receiver's input. This circuit is usable over the range from 100 kHz to 30 MHz.

## ACTIVE ANTENNA II

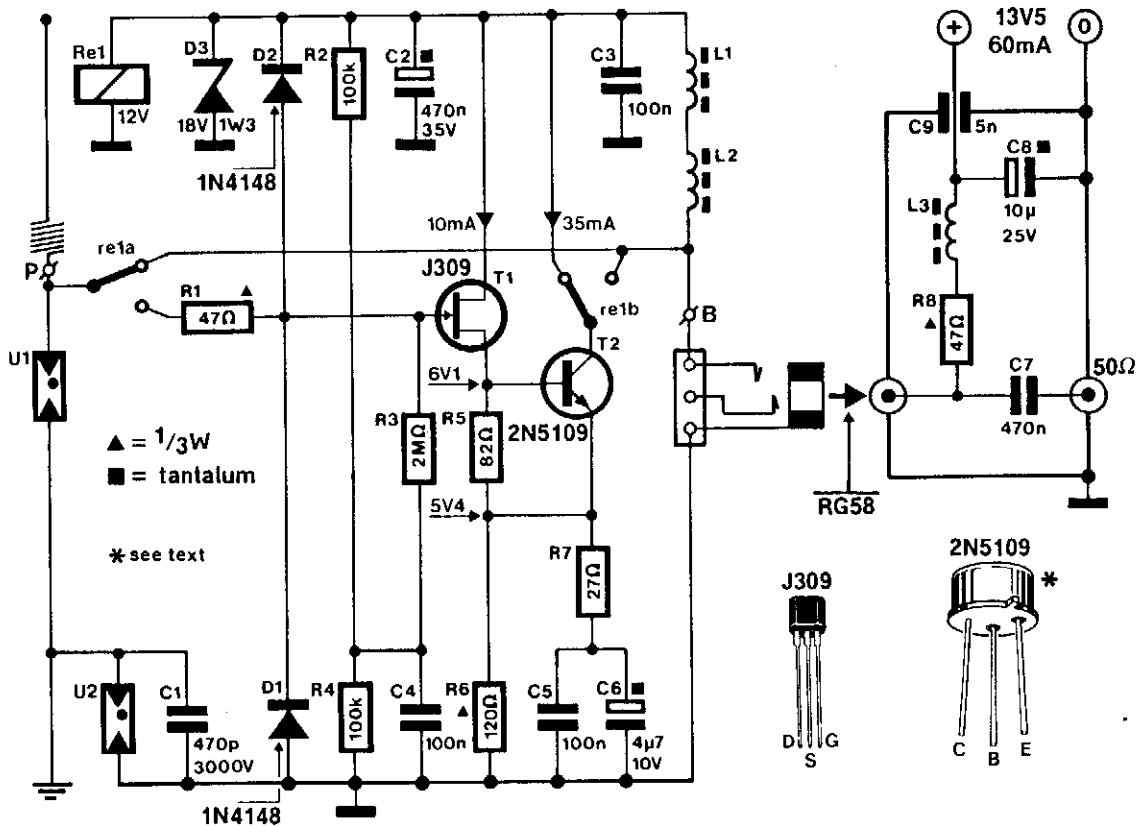


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Fig. 1-3

This circuit provides 14- to 20-dB gain at frequencies from 10 kHz to 30 MHz. The antenna length can be anything between 5 and 10 feet. A 102-inch CB whip is excellent for this purpose.

## WIDEBAND ACTIVE ROD ANTENNA



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Fig. 1-4

A J309 Siliconix FET feeds a 2N5109 in a wideband RF amplifier configuration. A relay is used to bypass the amplifier in the transmit mode (if desired). A 2-m <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-wave whip is used as the active antenna element. The amplifier is fed dc via the coax cable, which makes the use of only a single coax lead for both signal and power. U1 is a surge arrester for electrostatic discharge protection.

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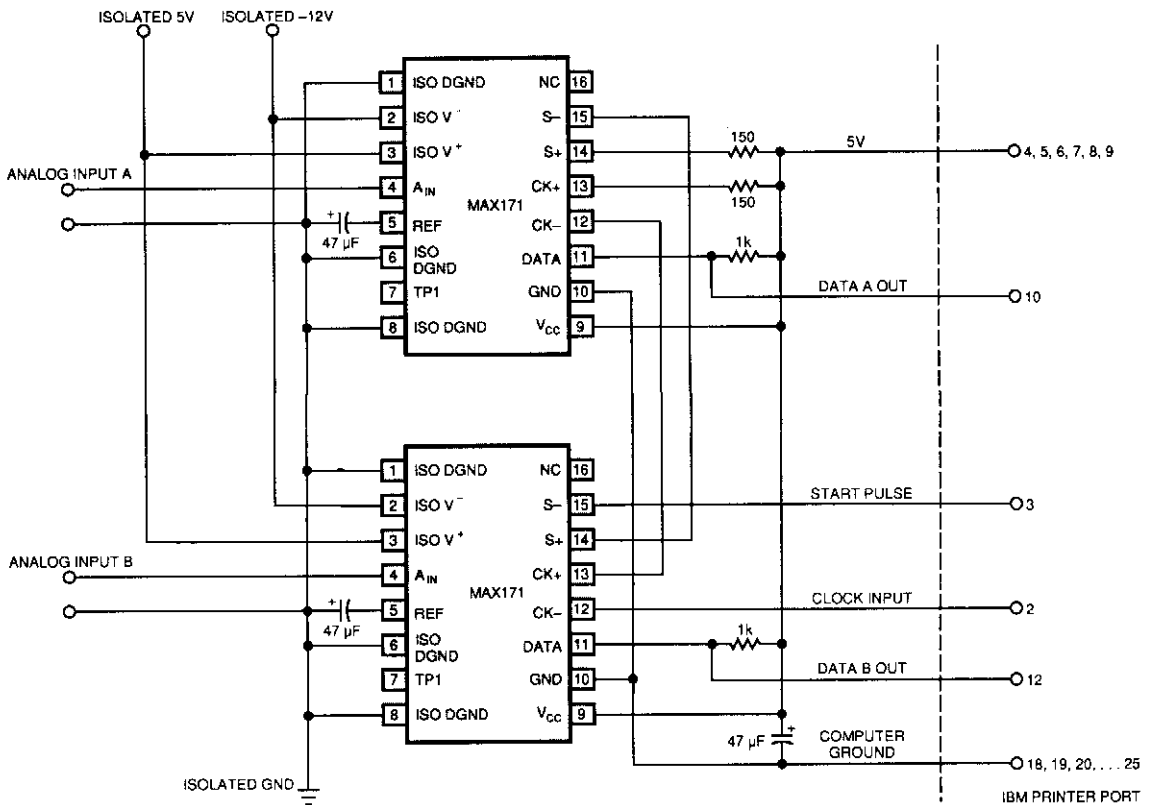
## Analog-to-Digital Converter

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 660. The figure number in the box correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

A/D Board

## A/D BOARD



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**Fig. 2-1**

An IBM PC can operate the two 12-bit A/D converters in Fig. 1 via its printer port. The converters' serial outputs use only two of the printer port's eight data lines (DATA A OUT, DATA B OUT). Because the IBM PC's printer port supplies no power, interface software running on the PC programs the six unused data lines high. Busing these data lines provides power for the digital portion of the A/D converters. (The converters have internal optoisolators. Consequently, you must provide isolated supplies for their analog sides.)

Although the converters can execute 12-bit conversions in 6 μs, the slow software-driven approach used in this Design Idea stretches conversion periods out to about 100 μs (depending on your PC's clock speed).

The circuit takes advantage of the converters' optoisolator inputs to put their clock and start inputs in series. Therefore, the converters operate synchronously.

The accompanying software starts the conversions, issues clock pulses, reads the data bits as they become available, and stores them in memory. The listing is too long to reproduce here; you can obtain it from the EDN BBS (617-558-4241, 2400, 8, N, 1).

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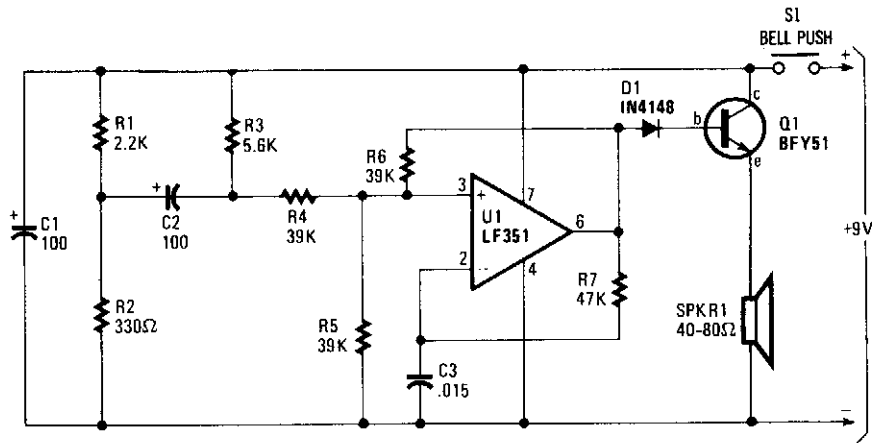
## Annunciators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 660. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Door Buzzer  
Door Buzzer  
SCR Circuit with Self-Interrupting Load  
Electronic Bell  
Two-Door Annunciator

## ELECTRONIC DOOR BUZZER

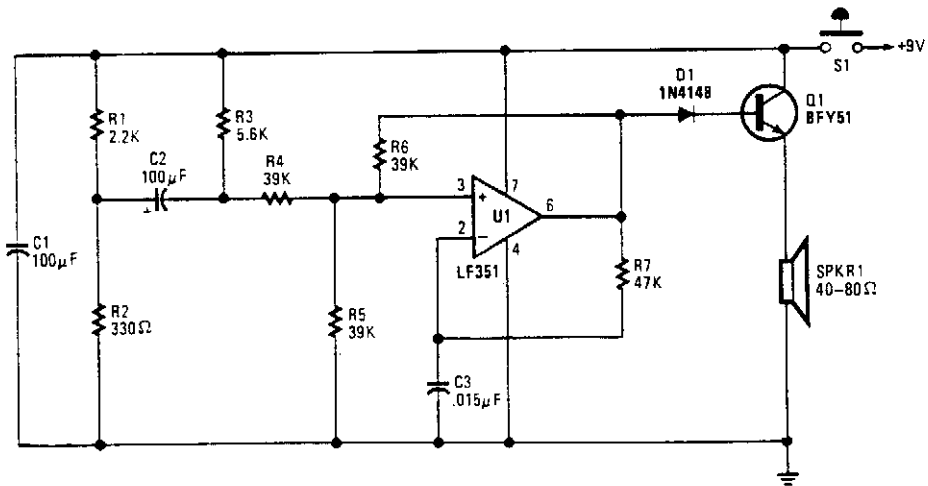


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Fig. 3-1

When S1 is depressed, an initial positive voltage is placed on C2 and the noninverting terminal of U1. The circuit oscillates at a low frequency. As C2 charges up through R3, a rapid increase in frequency of oscillation results, producing (at SPKR1) a rapidly rising pitched sound. This sound is easily recognized over ambient noise.

## DOOR BUZZER

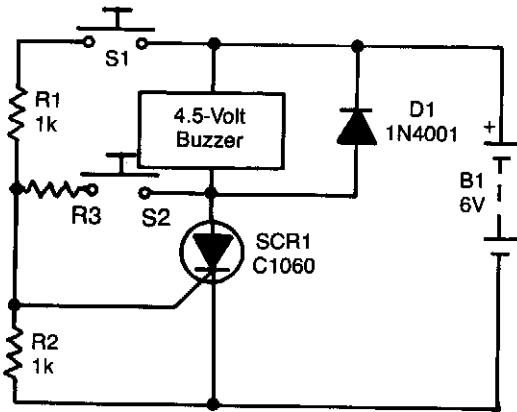


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Fig. 3-2

An LF357 functions as a swept-tone oscillator, driving Q1 and SPKR1. A 9-Vdc supply is required.

### SCR CIRCUIT WITH SELF-INTERRUPTING LOAD



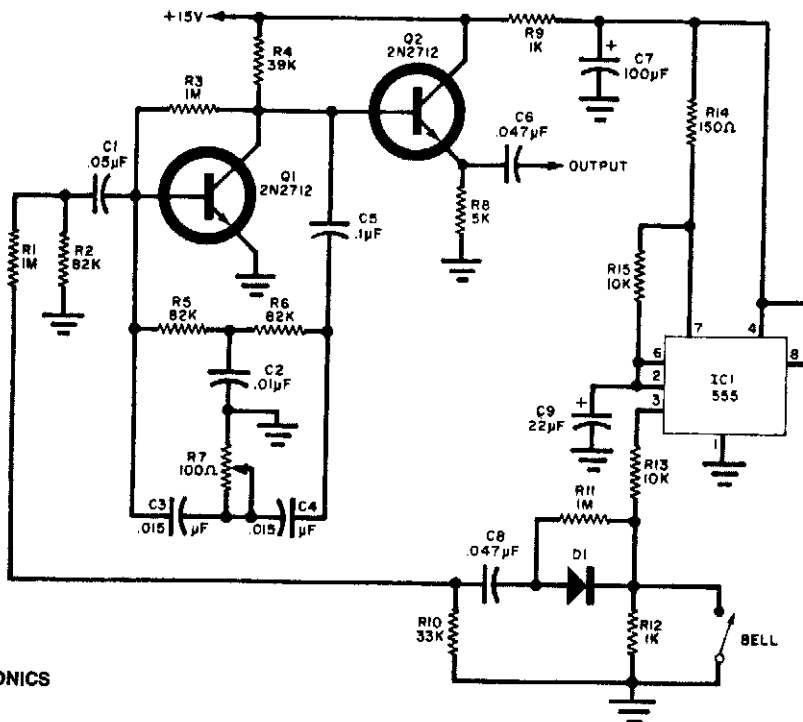
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Fig. 3-3

A self-interrupting device connected to a voltage source functions as a switch that repeatedly opens and closes; therefore, the circuit does not latch in the normal way, so the alarm operates only as long as S1 is closed. Because of the inductive nature of that type of load, a damping diode (D1) must be wired across it.

The circuit can be modified to provide a self-latching action simply by wiring a 470-Ω resistor in parallel with the alarm. The circuit latches because the anode current of the SCR does not fall to zero when the alarm self-interrupts, but to a value that is determined by the value of the R3. The circuit can be unlatched by pressing S2, thereby enabling the anode current to fall to zero when the alarm self-interrupts.

### ELECTRONIC BELL



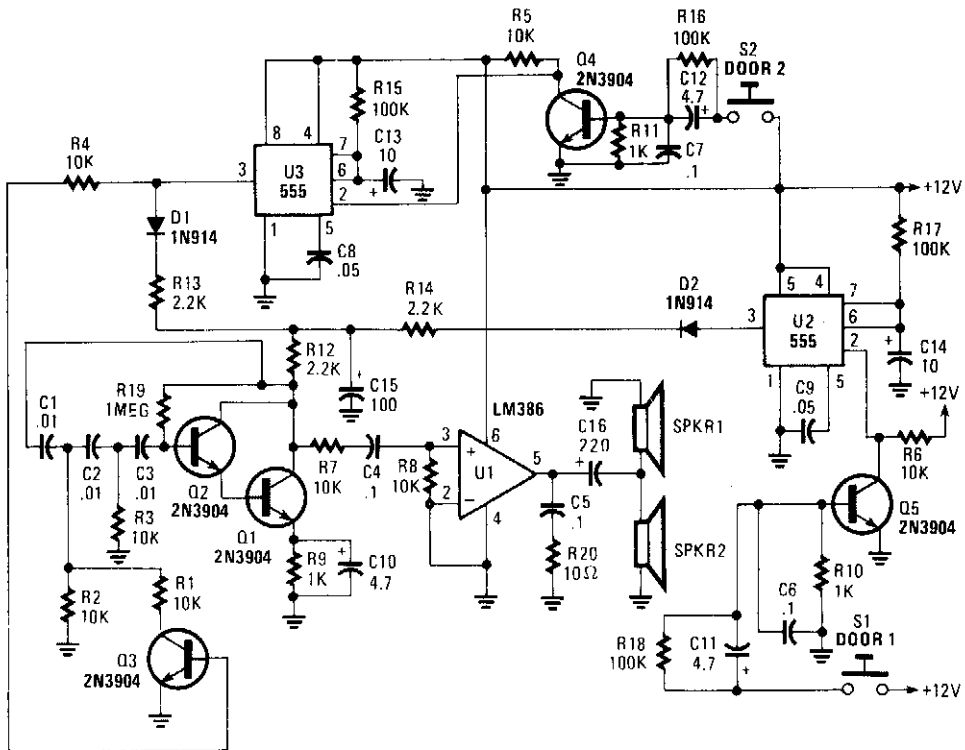
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Fig. 3-4

A 555 timer pulses twin-T oscillator Q1. Q2 acts as an output buffer. R7 adjusts the frequency of oscillator Q1.



## TWO-DOOR ANNUNCIATOR



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Fig. 3-4

When the pushbuttons at either door are depressed, this circuit generates a different tone for each door. Tones are generated by phase-shift oscillator Q1/Q2. Q3 provides tone frequency change by changing the phase-shift network. U2 and U3 are timers for the tones and Q4/Q5 interface the timers with the pushbuttons.

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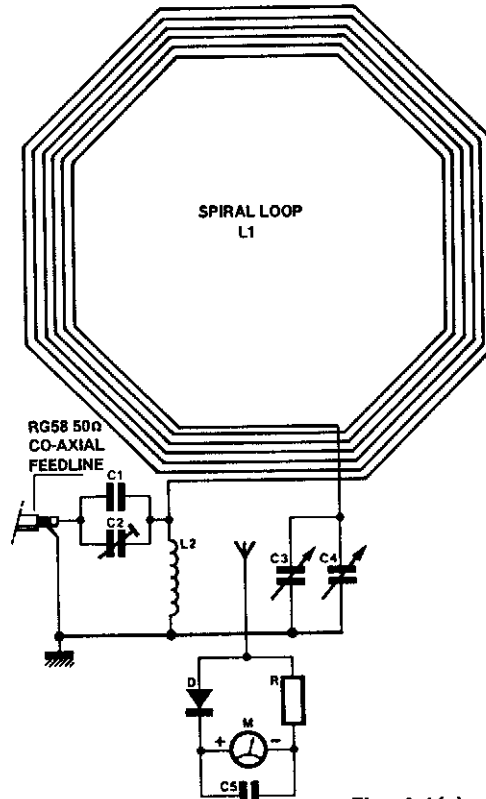
## Antenna Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 660. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Loop Antenna for 3.5 MHz  
1-to 30-MHz Antenna Tuner

## LOOP ANTENNA FOR 3.5 MHz



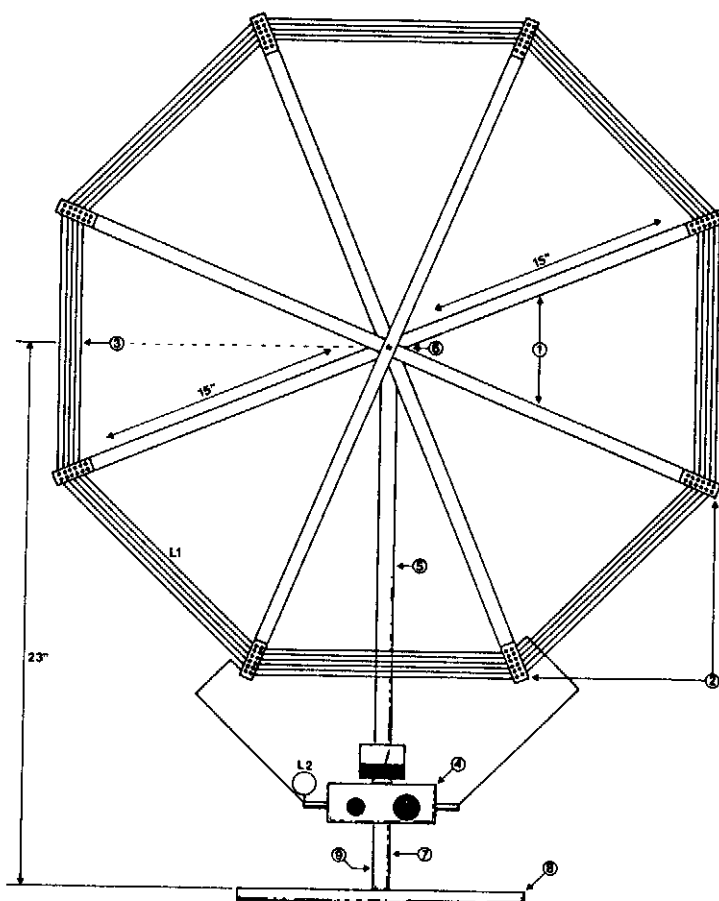
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Fig. 4-1(a)

### COMPONENTS LIST

- C1 = 3 750 pF 500 V silver-mica capacitor.
- C2 = 100 pF preset capacitor (Jackson C803).
- C3 = 75 pF variable capacitor (Jackson C809), plus knob.
- C4 = 12.7 pF variable capacitor (Jackson C16), plus knob.
- C5 = 22 nF mica capacitor.
- M = 250  $\mu$ A f.s.d. 40 x 40 mm moving coil meter (Maplin LB808).
- D = HF silicon diode.
- R = 1 k $\Omega$  resistor (see text).
- L1 = 5 $\frac{1}{8}$  turns of PVC covered stranded 7/0.2 mm wire. Outside diameter: 1.2 mm, 1 kV/1.5 A rating (see text).
- L2 = 13 turns 16SWG tinned wire, 1 inch internal diameter.
- Feedline = 48 inch RG58 coaxial cable, plus plug to suit transmitter.
- Box = ABS box type MB3, 118 x 96 x 45 mm. Maplin ref. LH22.
- Terminal blocks = qty. 4 12-way 2 amp terminal block. Maplin ref. FE78.
- Spacers = qty. 3 insulated spacer type M3, 30 mm long, Maplin ref. FS40T.
- Spokes = qty. 4 8-foot lengths of  $\frac{5}{8}$  x  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch molded hardwood (DIY store).
- Vertical support = 23 x 0.8 x 0.8 inch wood (DIY store).
- Wood base = 12 x 8 x 0.5 inch plywood or similar.
- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  inch steel support bracket.

## LOOP ANTENNA FOR 3.5 MHz (Cont.)



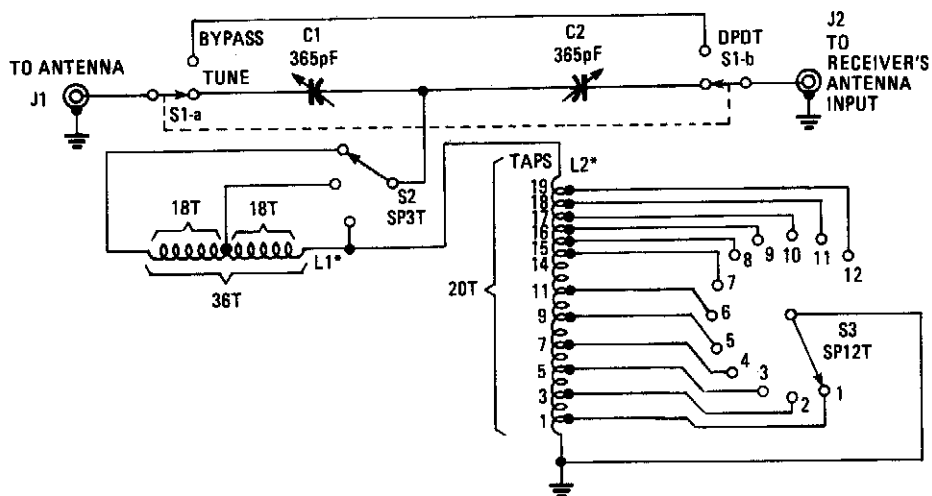
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Fig. 4-1(b)

1. 4 lengths molded hardwood 30" x 5/8" x 1/4". Varnished. 2BA holes drilled in the centre. Glued and bolted together.
  2. 8 off 6-way 2-amp polythene terminal blocks used as insulated wire spacers.
  3. 5 1/8 turns of PVC stranded wire (for specs see components list).
  4. See Fig. 3.
  5. Wood vertical support 23" x 0.8" x 0.8", wood stained.
  6. 2" x 2BA bolt.
  7. Box front vertical support, 4 1/2" x 1/2" x 3/4", wood stained.
  8. Wood base 12" x 8" x 1/2" (for similar), wood stained.
  9. 2 1/2 steel support bracket behind wood vertical support.
  10. Drilled and secured with glue and c/s wood screws.
- Note: " = inch = 2.54 cm.

Suitable for receiving or transmitting (10 W or less) on the 80-m band, this loop antenna might be helpful when an outside antenna is not possible.

## 1-TO 30-MHz ANTENNA TUNER



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Fig. 4-2

L1 = 36T #18 enamel wire  
on 2" PVC SCH 40 pipe.

L2 = 20T #18 enamel (as in L1)  
tapped as shown C1/C2.

365-pF variable capacitor,  
receiving type.

This tuner will match a random length wire antenna to a receiver or low-power transmitter ( $\leq 25$  W) for optimum signal transfer.

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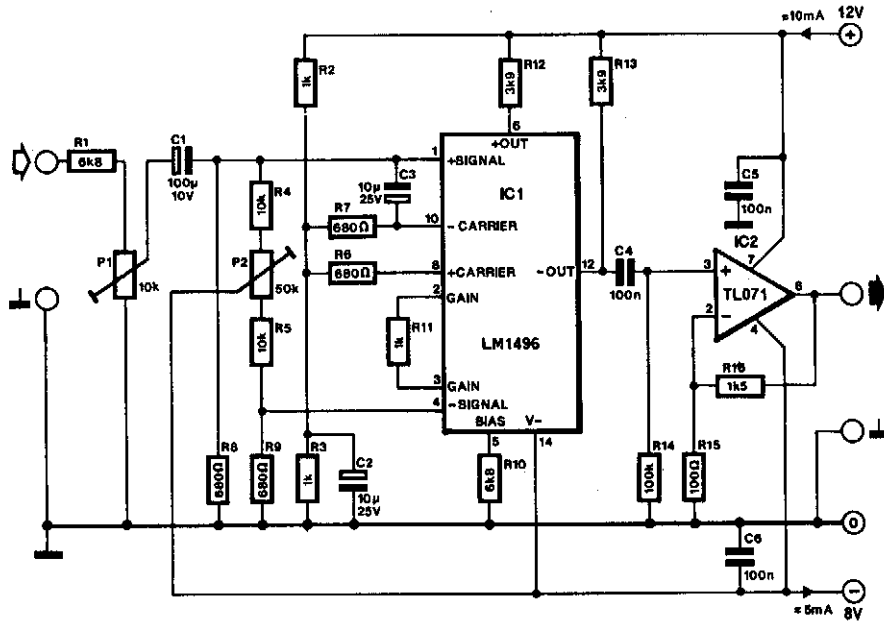
## Audio Effects Circuits

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Audio-Frequency Doubler  
Audio Fader  
Audio Equalizer  
Vocal Eliminator  
Voltage-Controlled Amplifier  
Analog Delay Line (Echo and Reverb)  
Musical Envelope Generator and Modulator  
Audio Ditherizing Circuit for Digital Audio Use  
Derived Center-Channel Stereo System  
Low-Distortion Amplifier/Compressor

## AUDIO-FREQUENCY DOUBLER



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Often the frequency of a signal must be doubled: modulator/demodulator chip LM1496 is an ideal basis for this.

From trigonometry it is well known that:

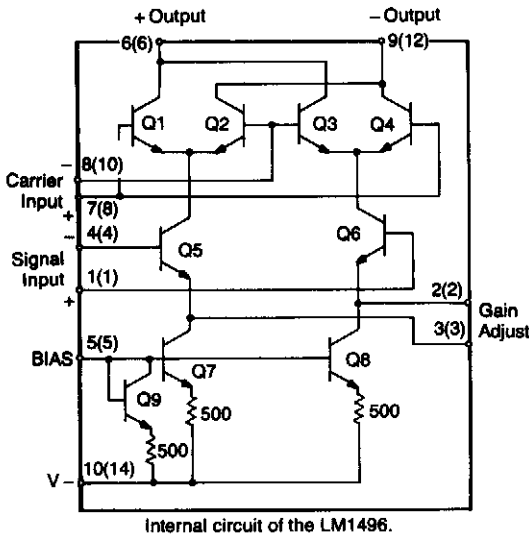
$$2\sin x \cos x = \sin 2x$$

and:

$$\sin^2 = 1 - x \cos 2x.$$

These equations indicate that the product of two pure sinusoidal signals of the same frequency is one signal of double that frequency. The purity of the original signals is important: composite signals would give rise to all sorts of undesired products.

The LM1496 can only process signals that are not greater than 25 mV: above that level, serious distortion will occur. The design is therefore provided with a potential divider at its input. This addition makes it possible, for instance, to arrange for a 500-mV input signal to result in a signal of only 25 mV at the input of the LM1496.



Internal circuit of the LM1496.

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Fig. 5-1

## AUDIO-FREQUENCY DOUBLER (Cont.)

To provide a sufficiently high output signal, the output of IC1 is magnified by op amp IC2, which is connected as a noninverting amplifier. Because the output of IC1 contains a dc component of about 8 V, the coupling between the two stages must be via a capacitor, C4.

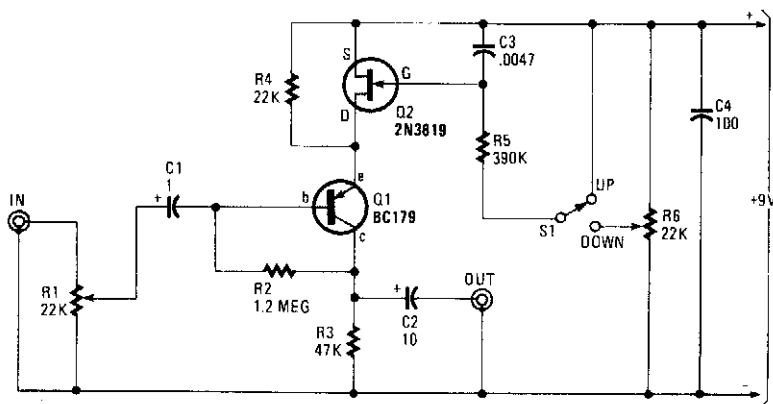
With values of R15 and R16 as shown, IC2 gives an amplification of 16 (24 dB). The overall amplification of the circuit depends on the level of the input signal: with an input of 1.2 V, the amplification is unity; when the input drops to 0.1 V, the amplification is just 0.1. The value of the input resistors has been fixed at 680  $\Omega$ : this value gives a reasonable compromise between the requirements for a high input impedance and a low noise level.

To ensure good suppression of the input signal at the output, the voltages at pin 1 and pin 4 of IC1 must be absolutely identical to P4. It is possible, with the aid of a spectrum analyzer, to suppress the fundamental (input) frequency by 60 to 70 dB.

The output signal at pin 12 is distorted easily, because the IC is not really designed for this kind of operation. The distortion depends on the level of the input signal. At a frequency of 1 kHz and an input level of 100 mV, the distortion is about 0.6%; when the input level is raised to 500 mV, the distortion increases to 2.3%, and when the input level is 1 V, the distortion is 6%. The signal-to-noise ratio under these conditions varies between 60 and 80 dB.

The circuit draws a current of 10 mA from the positive supply line and 5 mA from the negative line. The phase shift between the input and output signals is about 45° (output lags). Finally, although the normal output is taken from pin 12, a similar output that is shifted by 180° (with respect to that at pin 12), is available at pin 6.

## AUDIO FADER



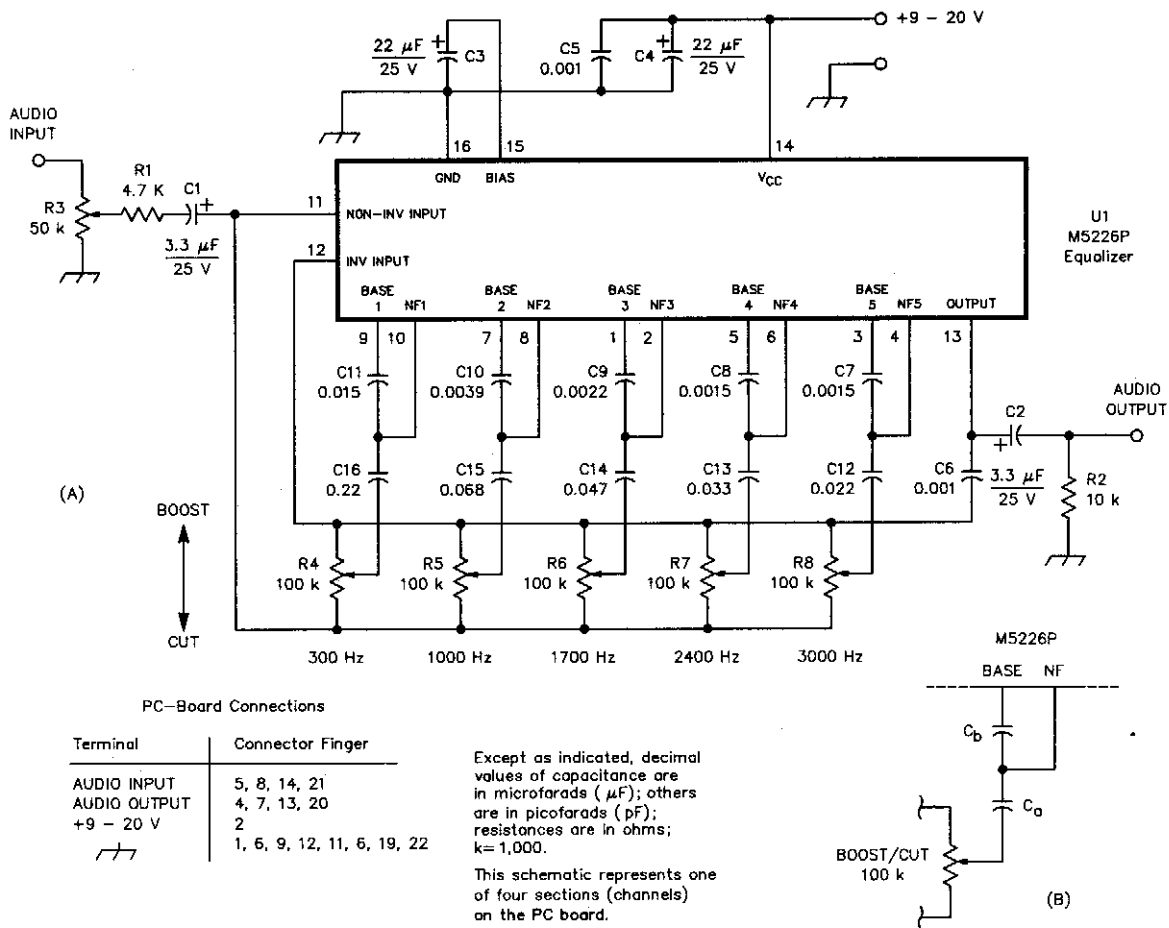
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Fig. 5-2

In this circuit, Q1 is a simple amplifier that has its gain controlled by a variable emitter resistance supplied by FET Q2. In the up position of S1, C3 discharges through R5 and the gain of Q1 decreases because Q2 is driven toward cut-off. In the down position, Q2 conducts more, depending on the setting of R6, which causes a gain increase. By varying R5 or C3, various fade rates can be obtained.



## AUDIO EQUALIZER

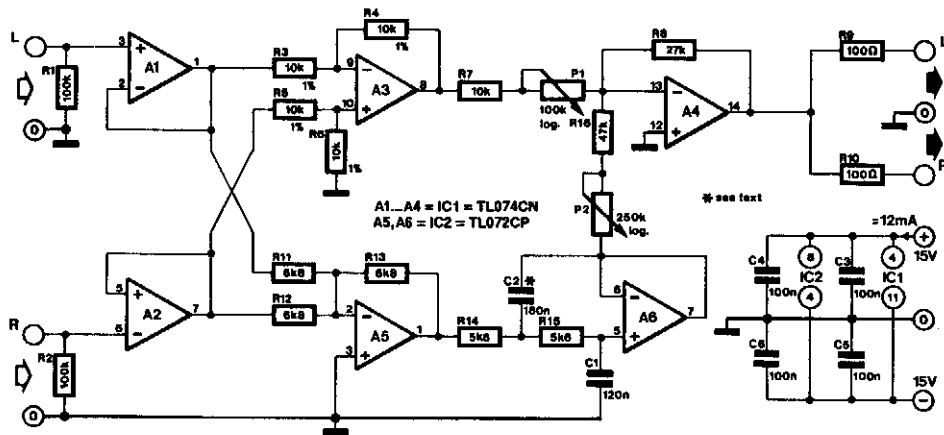


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**Fig. 5-3**

Designed for communications use, this equalizer circuit uses a Mitsubishi M5226P audio equalizer IC to adjust frequency response. It runs from a 9 to 20 V supply. C6 through C16 are polyester film capacitors of  $\pm 5\%$  tolerance.

## VOCAL ELIMINATOR



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Fig. 5-4

Otherwise properly mixed sounds often suffer from a predominant solo voice (which might, of course, be the intention). If such a voice needs to be suppressed, the present circuit will do the job admirably.

The circuit is based on the fact that solo voices are invariably situated "at the center" of the stereo recordings that are to be mixed. Thus, voice levels in the left- and right-hand channels are about equal. Arithmetically, therefore, left minus right equals zero; that is, a mono signal without voice.

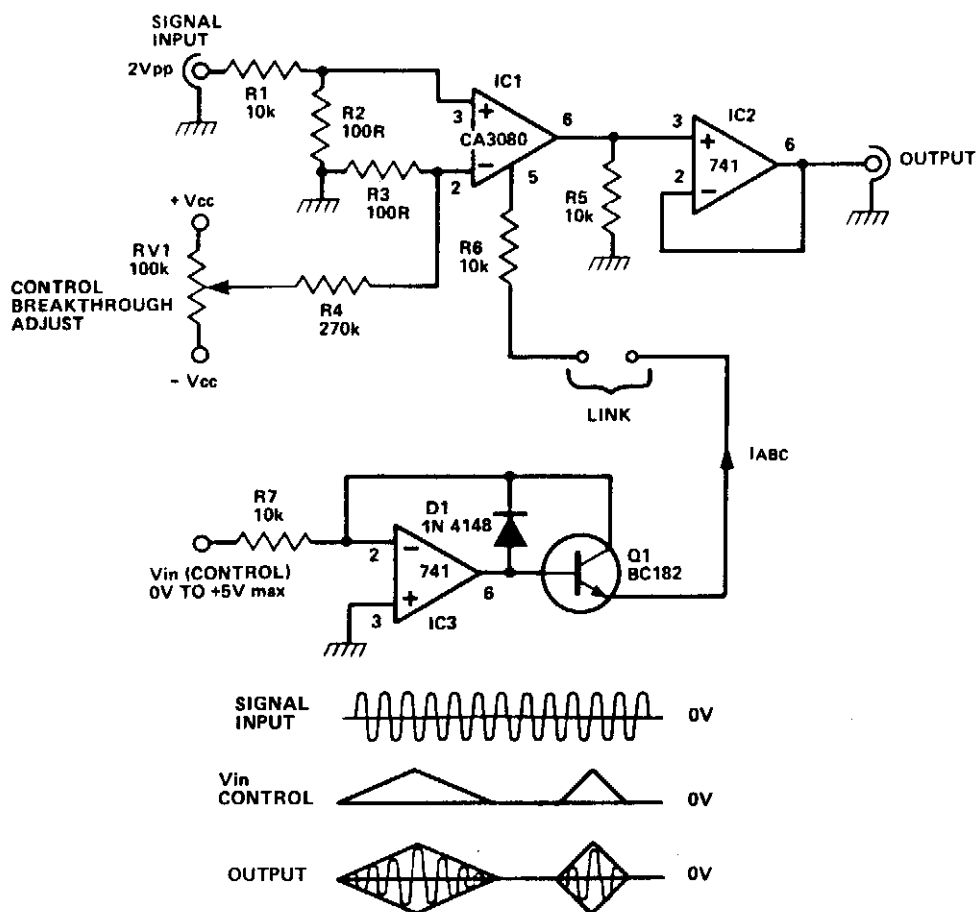
There is, however, a problem: the sound levels of bass instruments, more particularly the double basses, are also just about the same in the two channels. On the one hand low-frequency sounds are virtually nondirectional and on the other hand, the recording engineers purposely use these frequencies to give a balance between the two channels.

However, the bass instruments can be recovered by adding those appearing in the left + right signal to the left - right signal. The whole procedure is easily followed in the circuit diagram. The incoming stereo signal is buffered by A1 and A2. The buffered signal is then fed to differential amplifier A3 and subsequently to summing amplifier A5. The latter is followed by a low-pass filter formed by A6. You can choose between a first-order and a second-order filter by respectively omitting or fitting C2. Listen to what sounds best.

The low-frequency signal and the difference signal are applied to summing amplifier A4. The balance between the two is set by P1 and P2 to individual taste.

You have noticed that the circuit does not contain input or output capacitors. If you wish, output capacitors can be added without detriment. However, adding input capacitors is not advisable, because the consequent phase shift would adversely affect the circuit operation.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 5-5

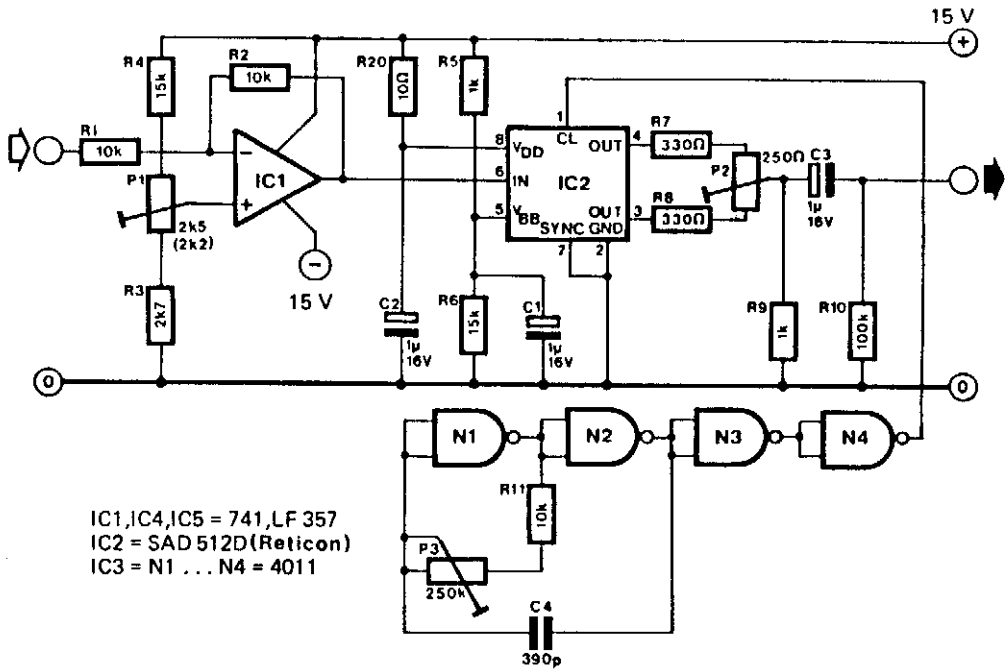
The CA3080 can be used as a gain controlling device. The input signal is attenuated by R1/R2 so that a 20-mVpp signal is applied to the input terminals. If this voltage is much larger, significant distortion will occur at the output. In fact, this distortion is put to good use in the triangle-to-sine wave converter.

The gain of the circuit is controlled by the magnitude of the current IABC. This current flows into the CA3080 at pin 5, which is held at one diode voltage drop above the  $-V_{CC}$  rail. The gain of the CA3080 is "linearly" proportional to the magnitude of the IABC current over a range of 0.1  $\mu$ A to 1 mA. Thus, by controlling IABC, you can control the signal level at the output. The output is a current output, which has to be "dumped" into a resistive load (R5) to produce a voltage output. The output impedance at IC1 pin 6 is 10 k $\Omega$  (R5), but this is "unloaded" by the voltage follower (IC2) to produce a low output impedance.

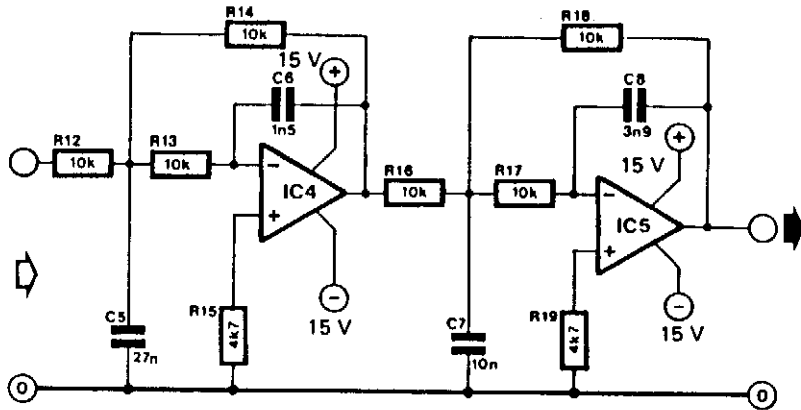
The circuit around IC3 is a precision voltage-to-current converter and this can be used to generate IABC. When  $V_{in}$  (control) is positive, it linearly controls the gain of the circuit. When it is negative, IABC is zero and so the gain is zero.

## ANALOG DELAY LINE (ECHO AND REVERB)

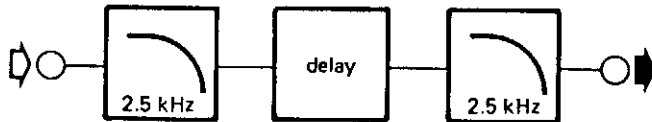
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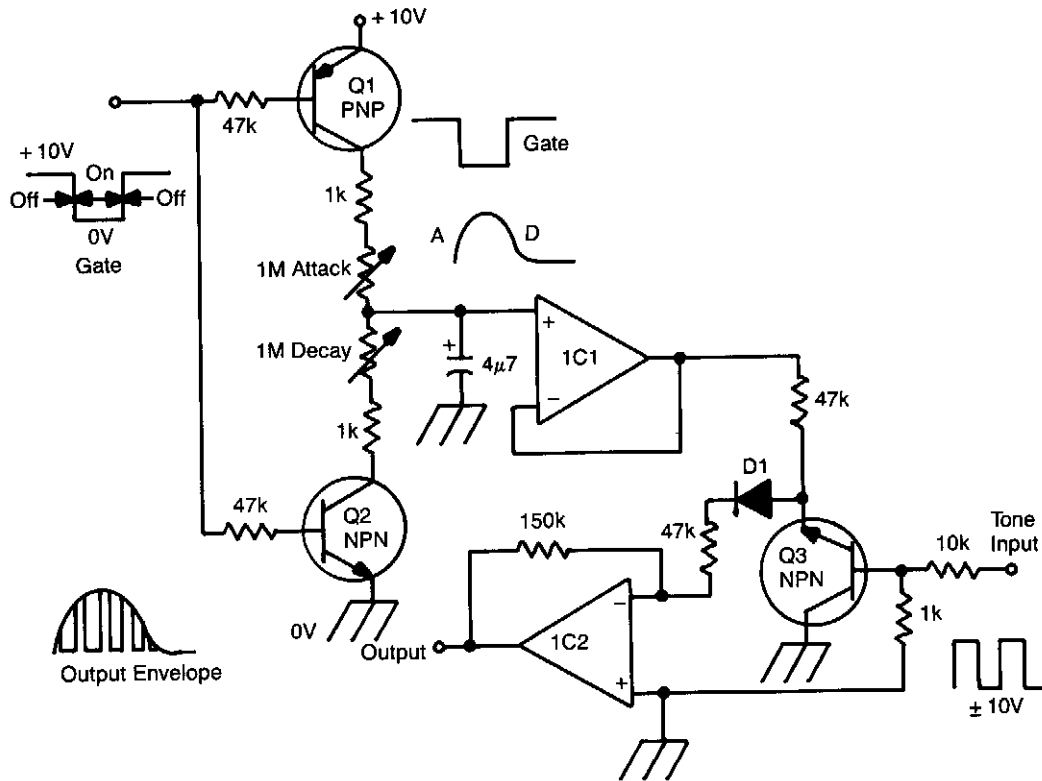


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Fig. 5-6

This circuit uses an SAD 512D (Reticon) chip, which is a 512-stage analog shift register. By varying the clock frequency between 5 and 50 kHz, delay time can be set between 51.2 and 5.12 ms. The clock frequency must be at least twice the highest audio frequency.

## MUSICAL ENVELOPE GENERATOR AND MODULATOR



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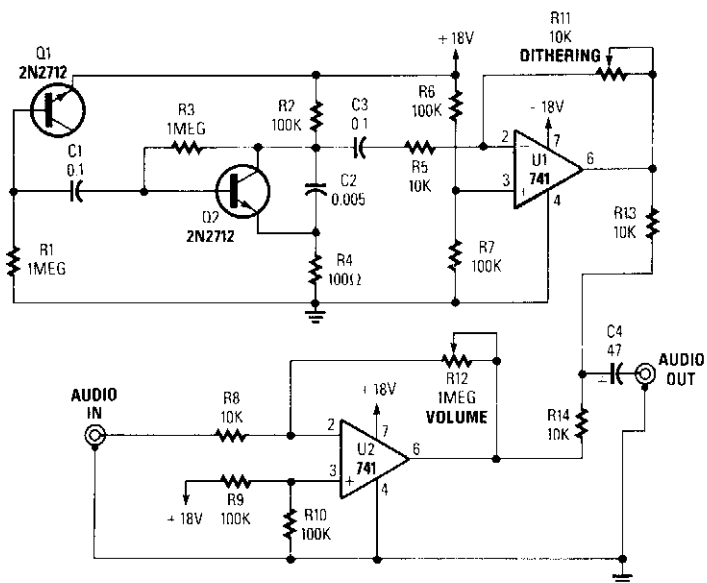
Fig. 5-7

A gate voltage is applied to initiate the proceedings. When the gate voltage is in the ON state, Q1 is turned on, and capacitor C is charged up via the attack pot in series with the 1-k $\Omega$  resistor. By varying this pot, the attack time constant can be manipulated. A fast attack gives a percussive sound, a slow attack gives the effect of "backward" sounds. When the gate voltage returns to its OFF state, Q2 is turned on and the capacitor is then discharged via the decay pot and the other 1-k $\Omega$  resistor to ground. Thus, the decay time constant of the envelope is also variable.

This envelope is buffered by IC1, a high-impedance voltage follower and is applied to Q3, which is being used as a transistor chopper. A musical tone in the form of a square wave is connected to the base of Q3. This turns the transistor on or off. Thus, the envelope is chopped up at regular intervals, which are determined by the pitch of the square wave.

The resultant waveform has the amplitude of the envelope and the harmonic structure of the square wave. IC2 is used as a virtual earth amplifier to buffer the signal and D1 ensures that the envelope dies away at the end of a note.

## AUDIO DITHERING CIRCUIT FOR DIGITAL AUDIO USE



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Fig. 5-8

By adding a small amount of noise to a signal to be digitized (about 0.7 bit):

$$V_{\text{NOISE}} \approx 0.7 \left( \frac{V_{\text{INPUT P-P}}}{2^N} \right)$$

where:  $n = \#$  of bits. For example, 8 bits and 2 V p-p would be 0.0055 V.

This circuit uses a transistor (Q1) and an amplifier (Q2 and U1) to generate the noise signal. R11 controls the noise injection and R12 controls the gain of the system.

## DERIVED CENTER-CHANNEL STEREO SYSTEM

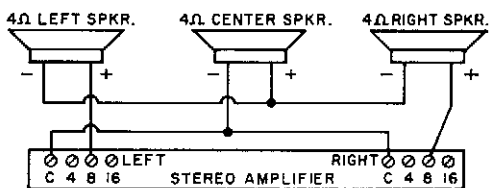


Fig. 5-9(a)

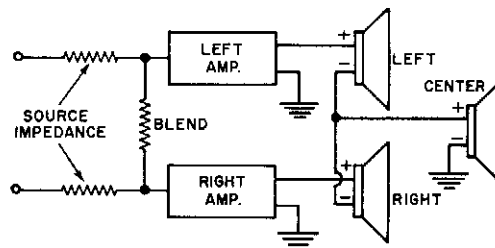
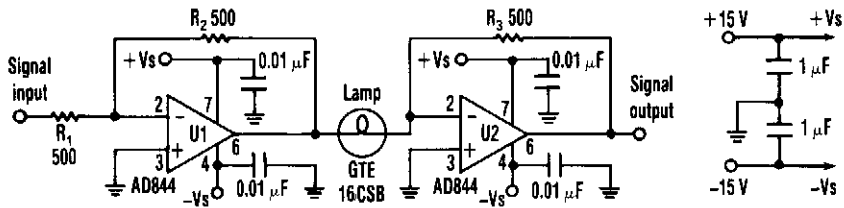


Fig. 5-9(b)

A simple method of deriving a center or third channel without the use of an extra transformer or amplifier. (a) 4- $\Omega$  speakers are connected to 8- $\Omega$  amplifier taps. 8 and 16- $\Omega$  speakers connect to 16- $\Omega$  taps. (b) By blending the inputs it is possible to cancel out undesired crosstalk.

## LOW-DISTORTION AMPLIFIER/COMPRESSOR



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Fig. 5-10

Designers can build a 15-dB compressor with a miniature lamp and a current-feedback amplifier. The circuit possesses extremely low distortion at frequencies above the lamp's thermal time constant. This means that distortion is negligible from audio frequencies to beyond 10 MHz. There's also relatively little change in phase versus gain compared to other automatic gain-control circuits. Lastly, the circuit has many instrumentation, audio, and high-frequency applications as a result of its low distortion and small phase change.

The AD844 op amp is a perfect fit for this application because it's a current-feedback amplifier. Each stage of the circuit, U2, lamp, and feedback resistor compresses an ac signal by over 15 dB (see the figure). Cascading a number of stages delivers higher compression ranges.

Op amp U1 operates as a unity-gain buffer to drive the input to the compressor. However, U1 is optional if a low-impedance signal source is used. The lamp's resistance will increase with temperature, which reduces the ratio of resistor R3 to the resistance of the lamp. This ratio reduces the gain of U2. The lamp's cold resistance should be greater than the input resistance of U2 (more than 50  $\Omega$ ) for proper operation. The lamp's resistance will change slightly for low input levels. Therefore, the ratio of R3 to the resistance of the lamp and the gain of U2 stays high.

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## Audio Scramblers

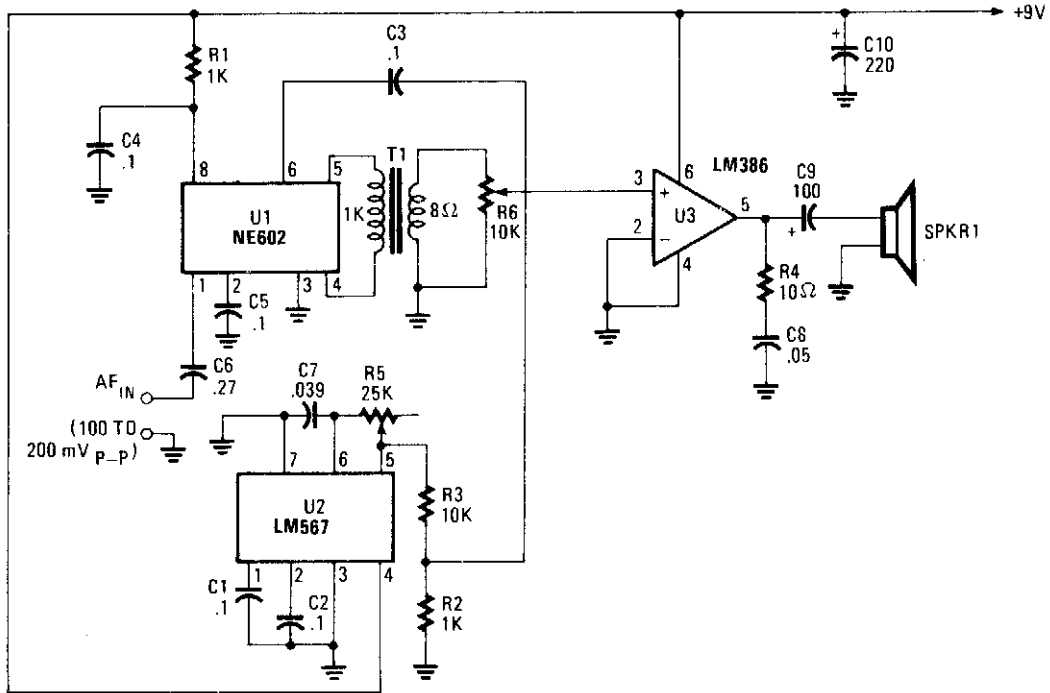
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 661. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Voice Scrambler/Descrambler  
Voice Scrambler/Disguiser Circuit



## VOICE SCRAMBLER/DESCRAMBLER

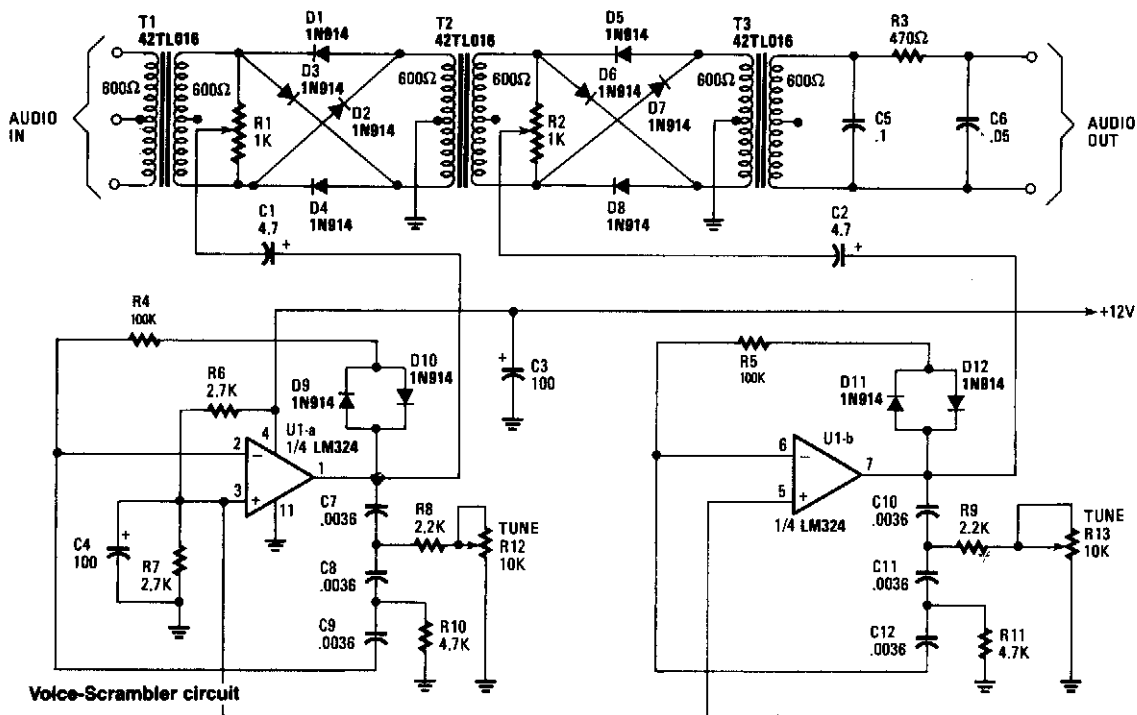


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Fig. 6-1

This circuit uses an NE602 as an inversion mixer. U2 is set to run at about 2.5 to 3.5 kHz. U3 drives a loudspeaker. Because speech inversion scrambling is its own inverse, the circuit will also descramble.

## VOICE SCRAMBLER/DISGUISER CIRCUIT



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Fig. 6-2

This circuit uses two balanced modulators to produce a DSB signal and then reinsert the carrier, except the carrier now has a different frequency. This causes an input signal to be distorted. A voice signal will be recognizable with this circuit, but the original speakers' voice will not be identifiable with correct adjustments.

Two LM324 op amps act as oscillators that are tuneable from 2 to 3.5 kHz. The frequencies are set with R12 and R13. T1, T2, and T3 are 600 Ω CT/600 Ω audio transformers—available from Mouser Electronics, Inc.

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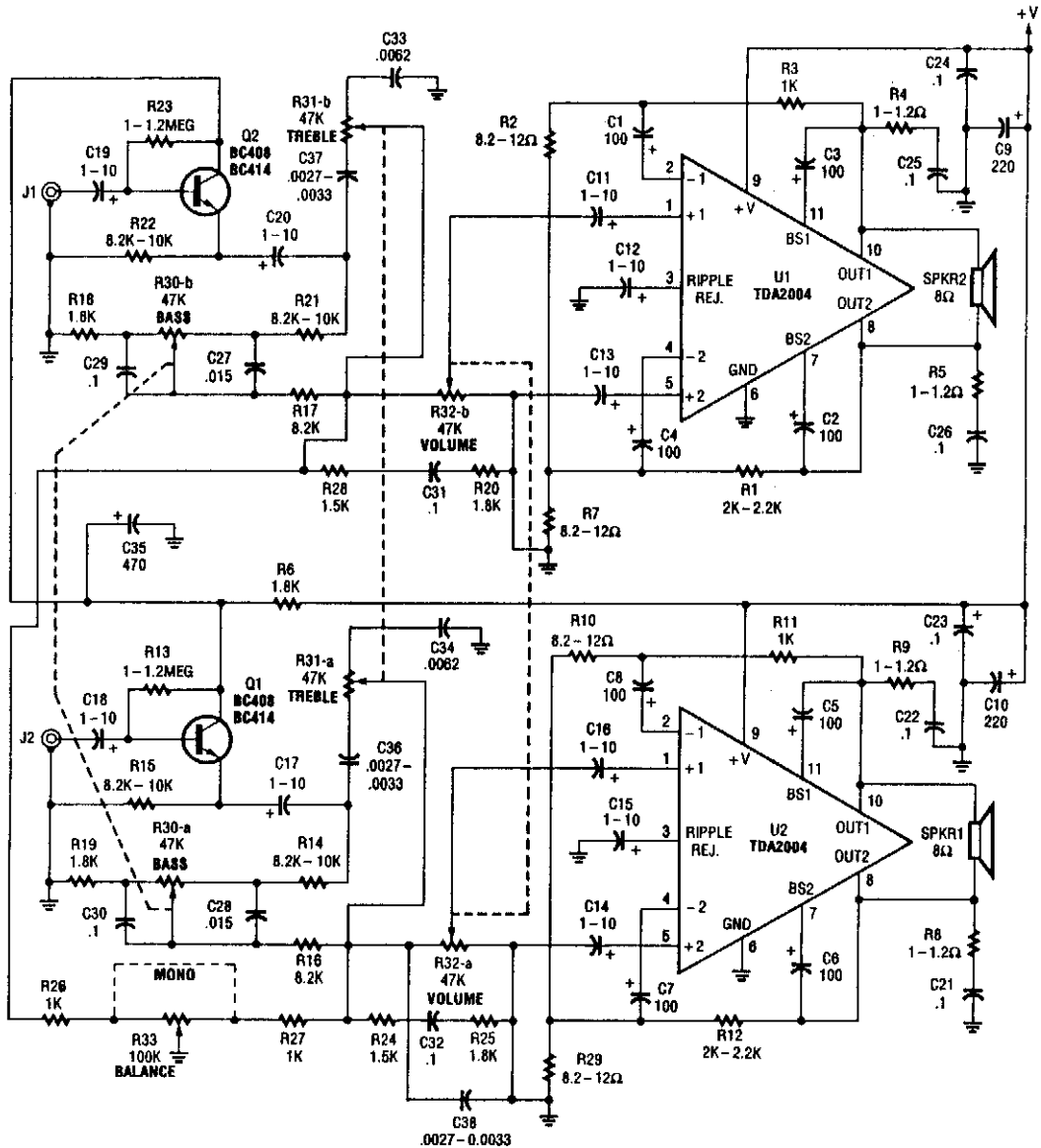
## Audio Power Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 661. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

12-V/20-W Stereo Amplifier  
General-Purpose 5-W Audio Amplifier with ac Power Supply  
Bull Horn  
Receiver Audio Circuit  
Audio Amplifier  
8-W Audio Amplifier  
Simple Op Amp Audio Amplifier

## 12-V/20-W STEREO AMPLIFIER

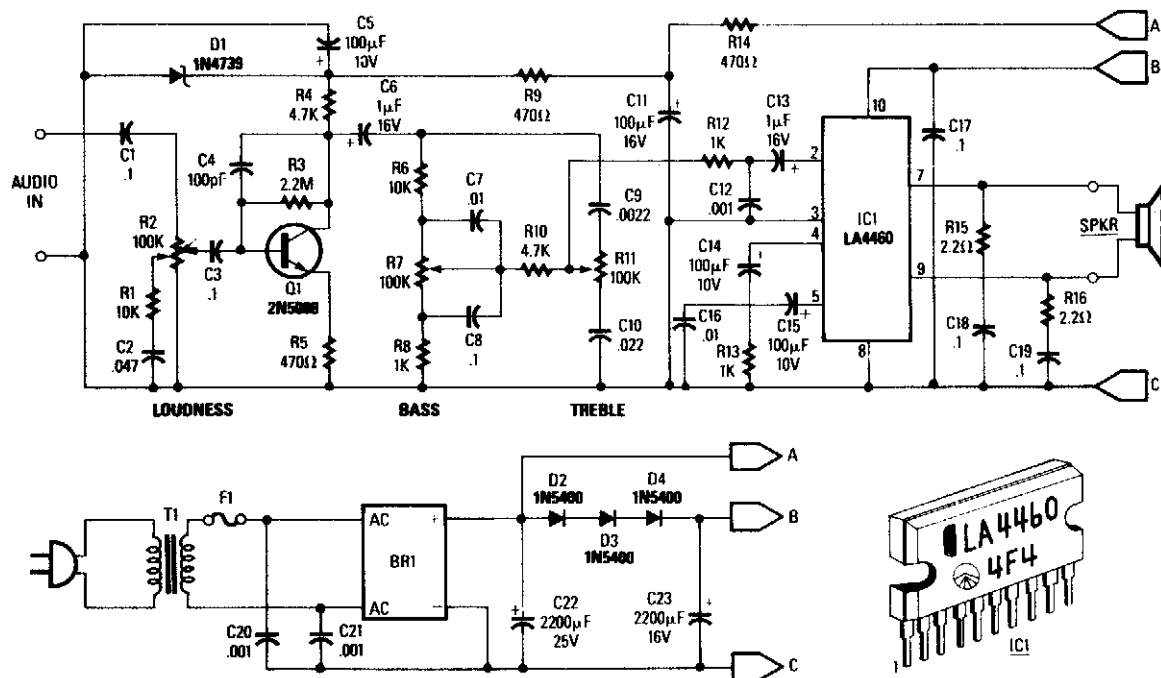


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 7-1

This amplifier delivers 20 W per channel. Input sensitivity is about 300 mV into 47 k $\Omega$ . Notice that a bridged output is used, so the speakers are operated with both wires above ground. A +12-V supply is used. U1 and U2 must be heatsinked.

## GENERAL-PURPOSE 5-W AUDIO AMPLIFIER WITH ac POWER SUPPLY



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 7-2

This general-purpose low-power (5 W) audio amplifier is suitable for driving a speaker of approximately 8 to 12 inches. A Sanyo LA4460 IC is used as the audio output IC. The circuit consists of a loudness control, driver amplifier Q1, and bass and treble controls of about  $\pm 10$  dB boost/cut. It should be useful in a wide variety of situations. Either the ac supply shown can be used, or a 12 Vdc supply can be connected to points A&B (positive) and C (negative). Two of these circuits, using ganged potentiometers at R2, R7, and R11 can be used for stereo applications. T1 is a 12-V 1-amp plug-in transformer. Notice that IC1 must be heatsinked. Power output is about 5 W. A  $4'' \times 2'' \times 0.050''$  aluminum heatsink should be adequate.

## BULL HORN

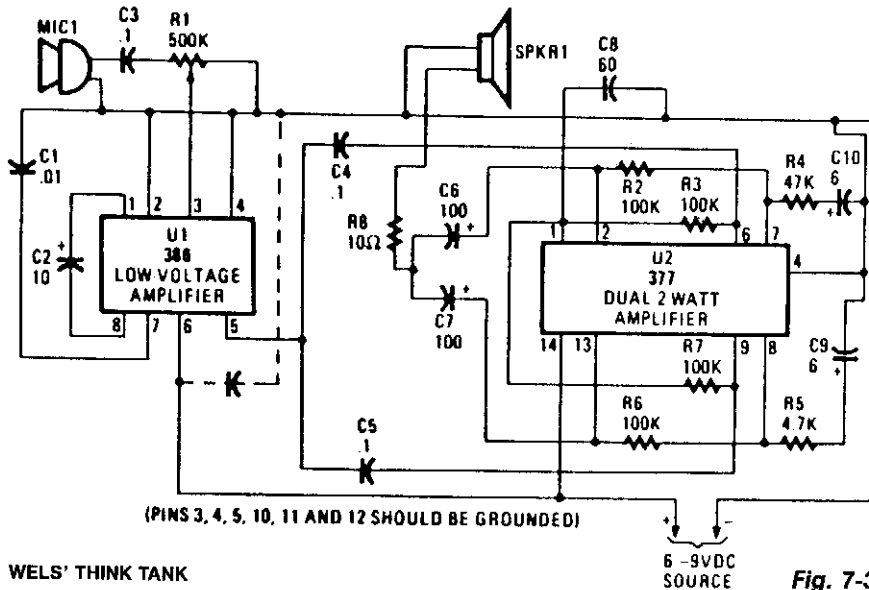


Fig. 7-3

This bull horn uses U1 as a driver stage and U2 as an output driver. U1 is set up for a gain of 200. The microphone should have about 200-mVpp output. The two sections of U2 produce about 4-W of output power. Use shielded cable for all audio leads. Power is a 6-to 9-V battery or other source.

## RECEIVER AUDIO CIRCUIT

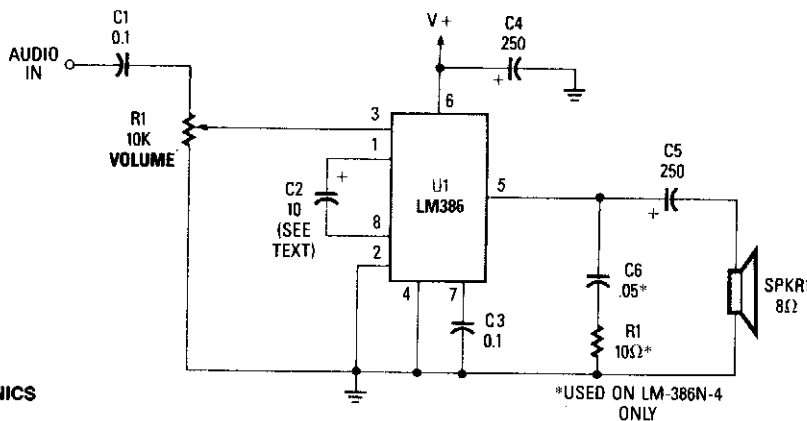
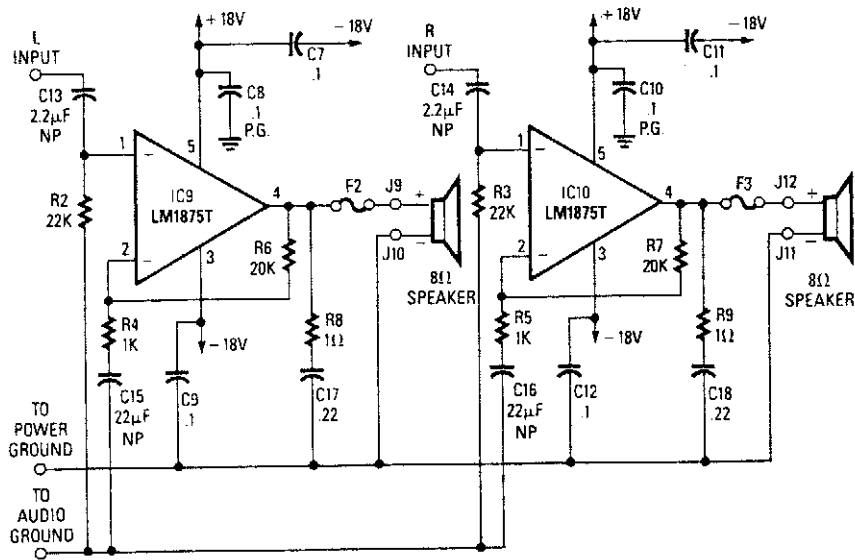


Fig. 7-4

This simple receiver AF amplifier can supply several hundred milliwatts to an 8- $\Omega$  speaker. The gain is about 200X. If high gain is not needed, C2 can be deleted and a gain of 20 will be obtained. R1 and C6 are musts, otherwise ultrasonic (30 to 60 kHz) oscillations might occur. C6 can be 0.1  $\mu$ F on all LM386N versions for protection against these oscillations. The supply voltage is typically 6 to 12 V. No heatsink is necessary, but good grounding is a must.

## AUDIO AMPLIFIER

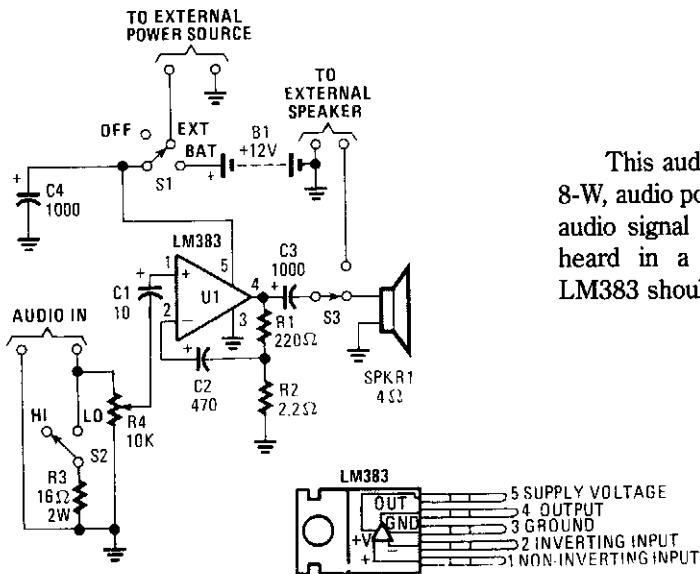


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 7-5**

This amplifier will deliver around 20 W to an 8-Ω speaker.

## 8-W AUDIO AMPLIFIER

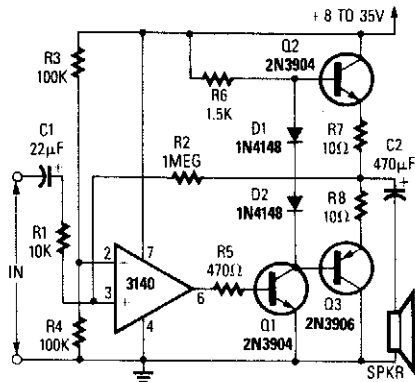


This audio power amp (built around an LM383 8-W, audio power amplifier) can be used to boost an audio signal to a sufficient level so that it can be heard in a high-noise environment. Note that LM383 should be heatsinked.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 7-6**

## SIMPLE OP AMP AUDIO AMPLIFIER



A CA3140 drives a complementary output stage Q1, Q2, and Q3. Output power depends on supply voltage and limits on dissipations of Q2 and Q3, but it can be 1 or 2 W with a higher impedance speaker and a 30-V supply.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 7-7



# 8

## Audio Signal Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 661. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Preamplifier for Magnetic Phono Cartridge  
Simple Tape Playback Amplifier  
Low-Noise Phono Preamp  
Simple 40-dB Gain Amplifier  
Ultra-Low-Noise Magnetic Phono Preamp  
Impedance-Matching Preamp  
Low-Noise Amplifier  
Low-Noise 1 000 × Preamp  
Simple Microphone Preamp  
Electric Guitar Matching Amplifier  
Universal Audio Line Amplifier  
CD4049 Amplifier  
Low-Noise Audio Preamp  
Low-Impedance Microphone Preamp  
Microphone Preamp  
General-Purpose Preamp

## PREAMPLIFIER FOR MAGNETIC PHONO CARTRIDGES

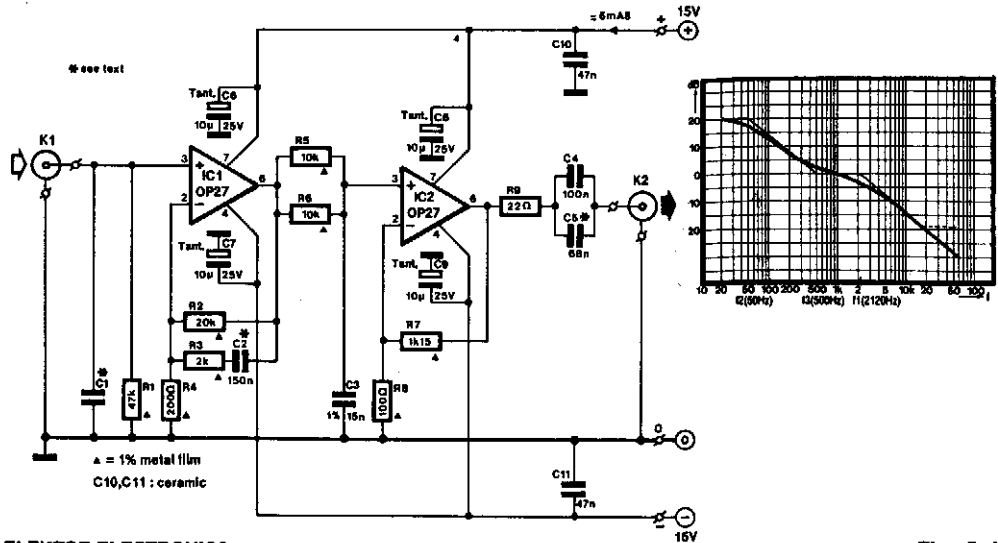


Fig. 8-1

This amplifier is intended to be added to preamplifiers that have no phono input. Such a phono input is required for normal record players with a dynamic pick-up, of which millions are still around. Moreover, the amplifier does not only bring the output of the pick-up to line level, it also adds the correction to the frequency response (according to RIAA requirements).

When recording gramophone records, the frequency characteristic is lifted at the high end. This lift must be countered in the playback (pre)amplifier. The corrections to the frequency response characteristic are according to a norm set by the Record Industries Association of America (RIAA) and also by the IEC.

The corrective curve provided by the amplifier is shown in the graph (bold line). The thin line shows the ideal corrective curve. The sharp bends in this at 50 and 500 Hz are nearly obtained in the practical curve by network R3/C2; just above 2 kHz is approached in practice by filter R5/R6/C3. The arrangement of R3/C2 in the feedback loop of IC1 gives noticeably better results than the usual (passive) filter approach.

Circuit IC1 provides a dc amplification of 40 dB, which drops to about 20 dB when the frequency rises above 500 Hz. To minimize the (resistor) noise and the load of the op amp at higher frequencies, the value of R3 is a compromise. The associated polystyrene capacitor, C2, should have a tolerance of 1 to 2%.

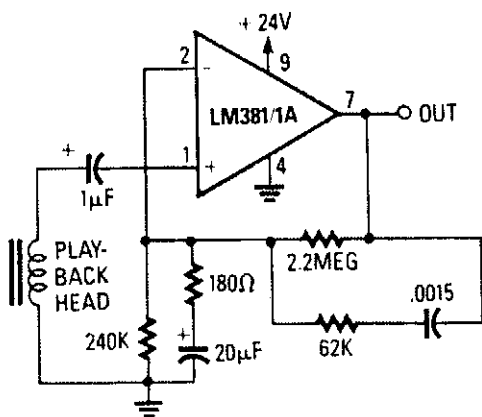
To raise the 2-mV output of the dynamic pick-up to line level at 1 kHz, linear amplifier IC2 has been added. This stage has a gain of 22 dB, so a signal of 250 mV is available at its output.

Capacitors C4/C5 at the output, in conjunction with the input impedance of the following preamplifier, form a high-pass filter with a cut-off frequency of 20 Hz; this serves to suppress any rumble or other low frequency noise. The value of C1 is normally given in the instruction booklet of the dynamic pick-up.

The power supply for the amplifier must be of good quality. Particularly, the transformer should be class A1 with a small stray magnetic field.

When the amplifier is built into the record player (best), the power supply should not be included unless it is very well screened; otherwise, hum is unavoidable.

### SIMPLE TAPE PLAYBACK AMPLIFIER

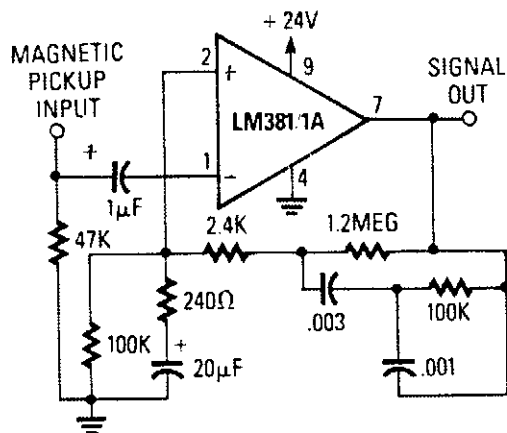


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-2

This circuit uses an LM381/1A as a tape preamp. The feedback network includes NAB Equalization.

### LOW-NOISE PHONO PREAMP

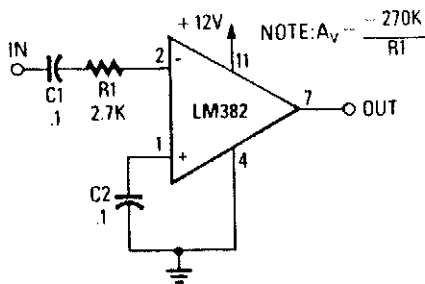


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-3

This circuit uses an LM381/1A as a low-noise phono preamp. The feedback network provides RIAA compensation.

### SIMPLE 40-dB GAIN AMPLIFIER

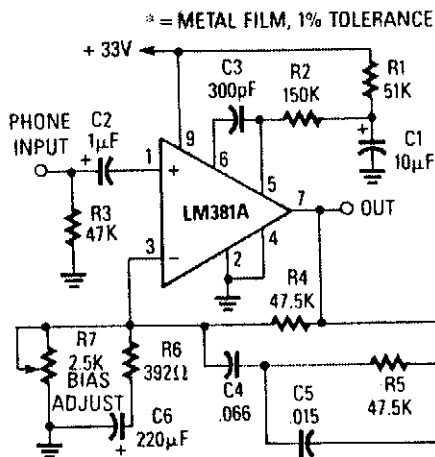


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-4

An LM382 low-noise preamp is used here to obtain a 40-dB gain amplifier, using only the IC and three peripheral components.

### ULTRA-LOW-NOISE MAGNETIC PHONO PREAMP

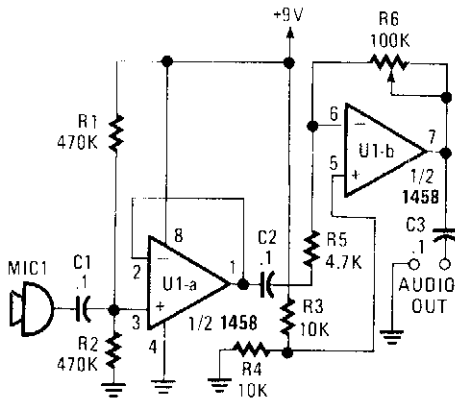


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-5

This phono preamp uses an LM381/1A in a circuit that includes RIAA equalization. Adjust R7 for a voltage that is equal to half of the supply voltage ( $\approx 16.5$  V).

### IMPEDANCE-MATCHING PREAMP

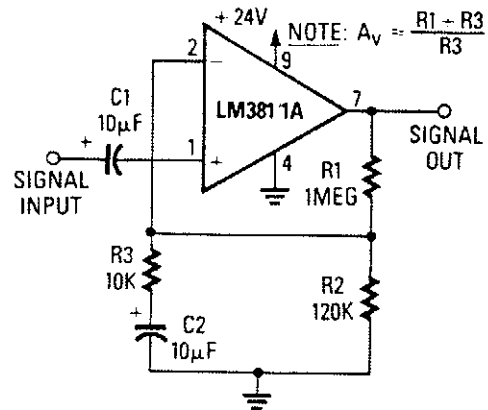


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-6

This circuit will match a crystal microphone to a device that requires a low-impedance dynamic microphone.

### LOW-NOISE AMPLIFIER

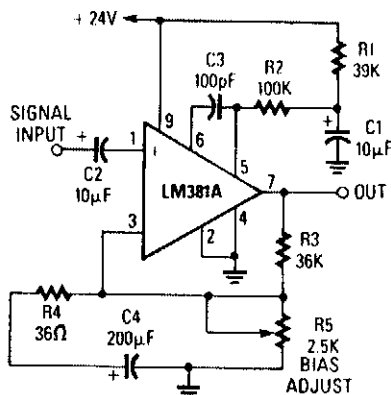


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-7

This low-noise LM381/1A noninverting amplifier has a gain of 100.

### LOW-NOISE 1 000 × PREAMP

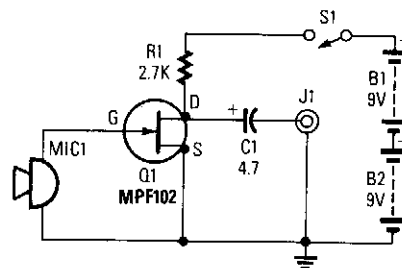


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-8

An LM381A is used here as a low-noise preamp with a gain of approximately 1 000 ×. Adjust R5 for 12 V at pin 7, assuming a 24-V supply.

### SIMPLE MICROPHONE PREAMP

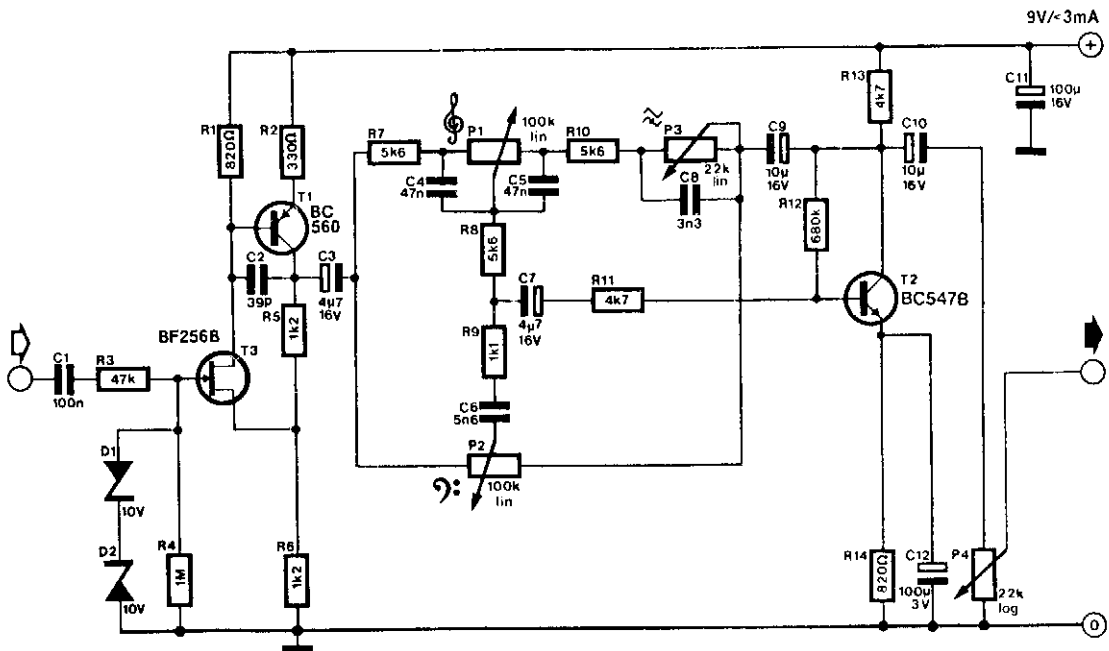


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-9

This preamp uses a small dynamic microphone coupled to the gate of Q1. R1 is a load resistor. Audio is taken out between the negative side of C1 and ground. Output will be between 10 and 100 mVpp, depending on the microphone.

## ELECTRIC GUITAR MATCHING AMPLIFIER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-10

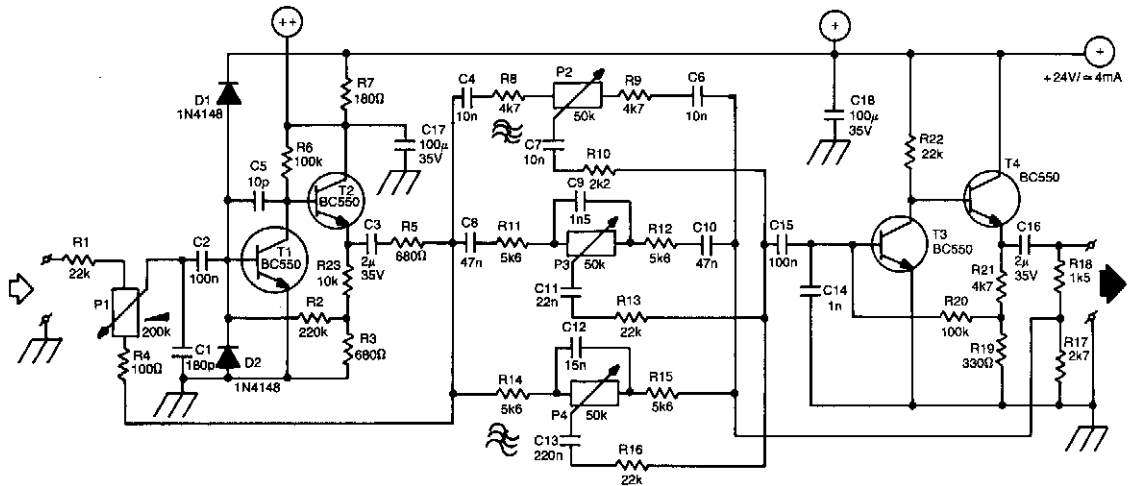
An electric guitar often has to be connected to a mixing panel, a tape deck or a portable studio. As far as cabling is concerned, that is no problem, but matching the high impedance of the guitar element to the low impedance of the line input of the mixing panel or tape deck is a problem. Even the so-called high impedance inputs of those units are not suitable for the guitar output. When the guitar is connected to such an input, hardly any signal is left for the panel or deck to process.

It would be possible to connect the guitar to the (high impedance) microphone input, but it is normally far too sensitive for that purpose; guitar clipping occurs all too readily.

The matching amplifier presented here solves those problems: it has a high-impedance (1 MΩ) input that can withstand voltages of over 200 V. The output impedance is reasonably low. Amplification is  $\times 2$  (6 dB). Dual tone control, presence control, and volume control are provided.

The circuit can handle input levels of up to 3 V. Above that level distortion increases, but that is, of course, a good thing with guitar music. Real clipping of the input signal does not occur until much higher levels than are obtainable from a guitar are applied. Power is supplied by a 9-V (PP3) battery from which the circuit draws a current that does not exceed 3 mA.

## UNIVERSAL AUDIO LINE AMPLIFIER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

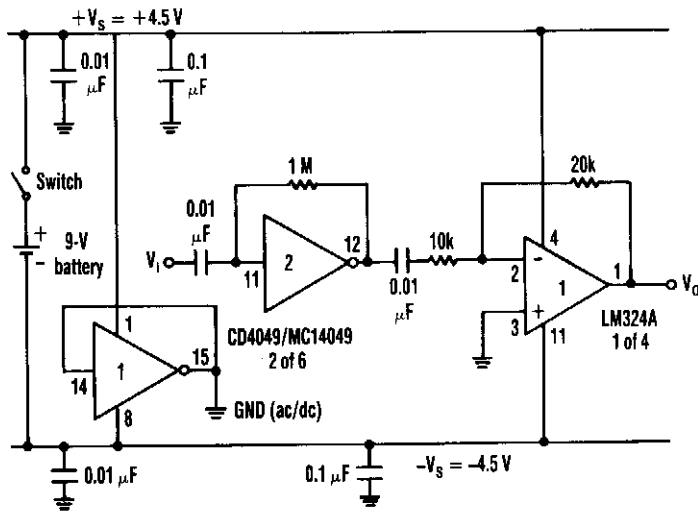
Fig. 8-11

A line amplifier is always a useful unit to have around, whether it is for matching a line signal or raising its level somewhat. This might be needed during a recording session or with a public-address system. Furthermore, a line mixer can be constructed from a number of these amplifiers. The input of the amplifier is high-voltage proof. The output impedance is low.

The circuit is a conventional design: two dc-coupled stages of amplification are separated by a three-fold Baxandall tone control system. The volume control at the input is conspicuous by having its "cold" side connected, not to ground, but to the output of the first amplifier. Because the signal there is out of phase with the input signal, the amplifier obtains negative feedback via P1. The amplification is therefore inversely proportional to the magnitude of the input signal. Thus, it is possible for the amplifier to accept a wide range of input levels. It is quite possible to input a signal taken directly from the loudspeaker terminals of a power amplifier.

The supply voltage is 24 V. At that voltage, the amplifier draws a current of about 4 mA. If several amplifiers are used in conjunction (as, for instance, in a mixer panel), the various supplies (+ and ++ in the diagram) can be interlinked. Capacitors C17 and C18, and resistor R7 don't need to be duplicated in that case.

## CD4049 AMPLIFIER



### INVERTER CHARACTERISTICS

|         | V supply |              |
|---------|----------|--------------|
|         | 9V       | 13.6V        |
| Av      | 30 V/V   | 40 V/V       |
| f(-3dB) | 2.5 MHz  | 3.5 MHz nom. |
| Ioh     | -1.25 mA | -3.0 mA min. |
| Iol     | 8.0 mA   | 20.0 mA min. |

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

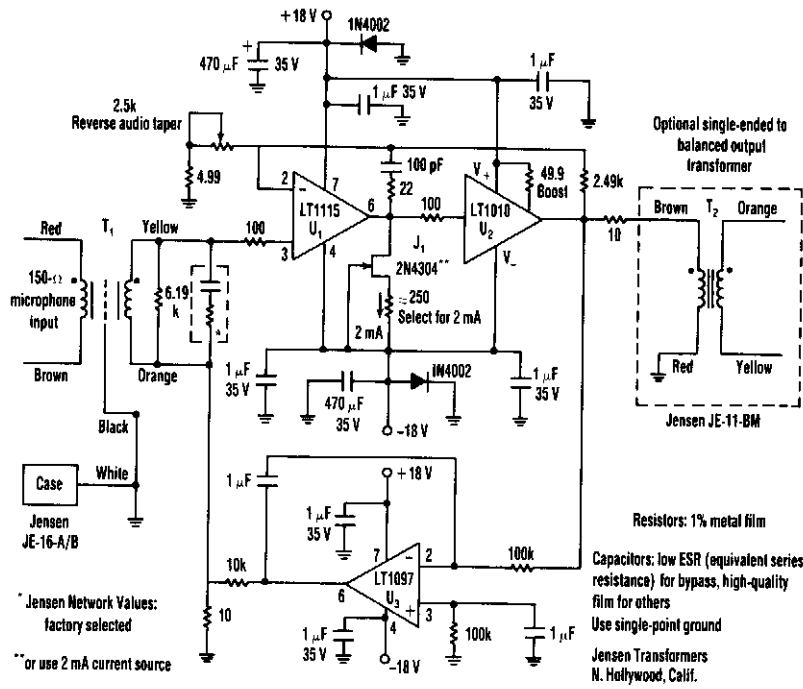
Fig. 8-12

When an inverter is biased with one resistor from its input to output in the range of 100 kΩ to 10 MΩ and is capacitor coupled, it exhibits amplifier characteristics (see the table).

Furthermore, when a split power-supply bus is needed and only one battery is used, the inverter can be configured to supply a pseudo-dc ground of relatively low impedance, coincident with the ac ground (see the figure). Depending on the magnitude of the dc ground return currents, anywhere from one inverter to several in parallel are sufficient. Also, the supply buses must be capacitor bypassed.

The configured input-to-input shorted inverter now acts as a voltage regulator that sinks and sources current. In this configuration, the inverter is forced to operate at the midpoint of its transfer characteristic. This divides the battery potential into two equal parts—as referenced to the defined dc ground by virtue of its internal gain and physical structure. Op amps such as the LM324A, can be powered from one battery while being referenced to the dc ground that is generated by the inverter. This novel technique surpasses the use of discrete resistors for battery potential dividing. It can be employed in other applications where individual component savings and improved design performance are needed.

## LOW-NOISE AUDIO PREAMP

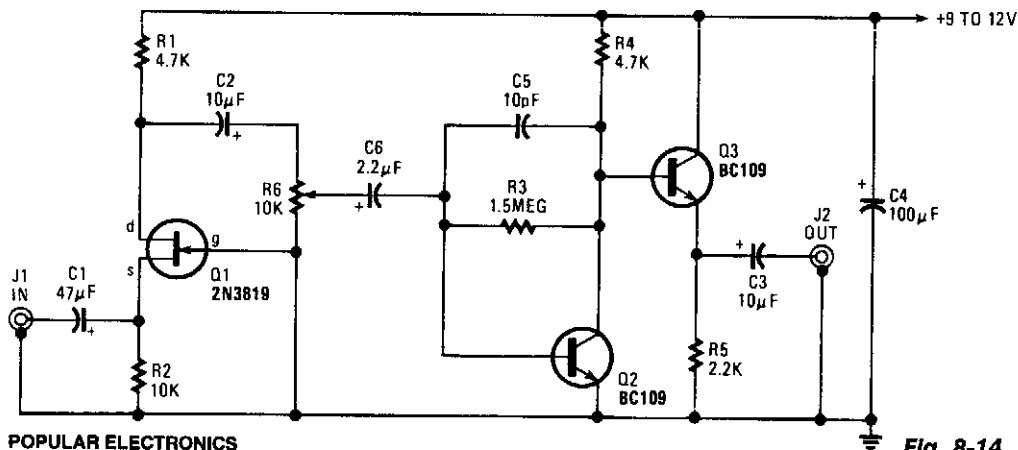


**Fig. 8-13**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

A low-noise LT1115 (Linear Technology, Inc.) op amp is coupled to a class-A buffer amplifier to produce a variable gain (12-to-50 dB) microphone preamp. THD is less than 0.01% from 80 Hz to over 20 kHz. The transformers must be properly grounded and shielded.

## LOW-IMPEDANCE MICROPHONE PREAMP

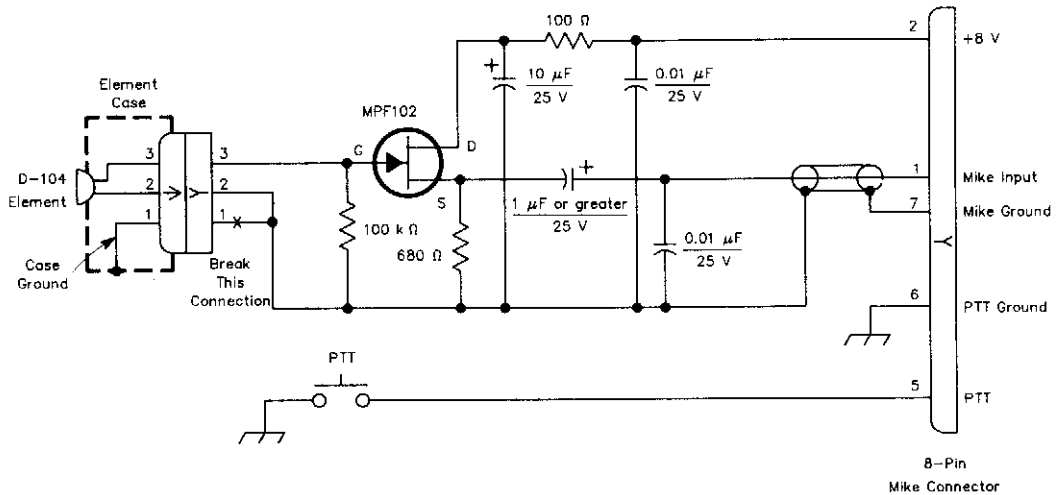


**POPULAR ELECTRONICS**

This amplifier uses a common-gate FET amplifier to match a low-Z microphone.



## MICROPHONE PREAMP

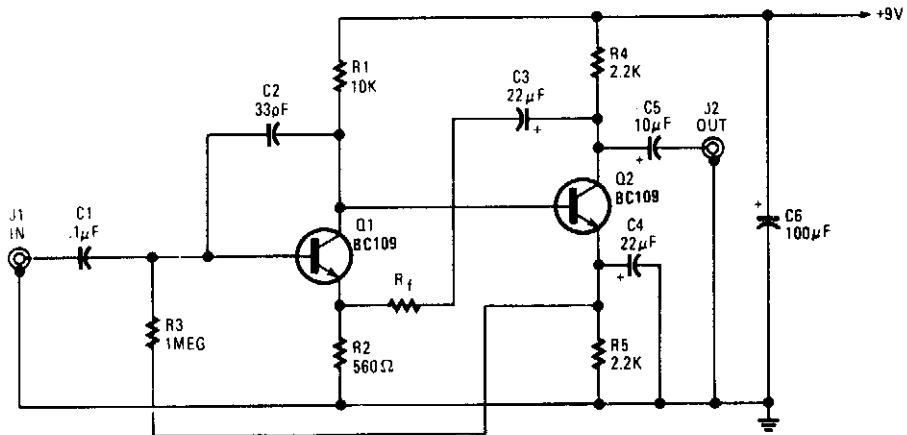


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Fig. 8-15

This circuit is used to interface a high-impedance microphone to a radio transceiver that requires a low-impedance microphone. The supply voltage can be either a battery or taken from the transceiver the circuit is used with.

## GENERAL-PURPOSE PREAMP



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 8-16

This amplifier is useful for audio and video applications. Gain is set by  $R_f$  and the voltage gain of this amplifier is approximately  $1 + R_f/560$ , where  $R_f$  is in ohms. Bandwidth depends on gain selected, but typically it is several MHz.  $R_f = 5.1 \text{ k}\Omega$ , which produces a gain of  $10 \times$  (20 dB) voltage.

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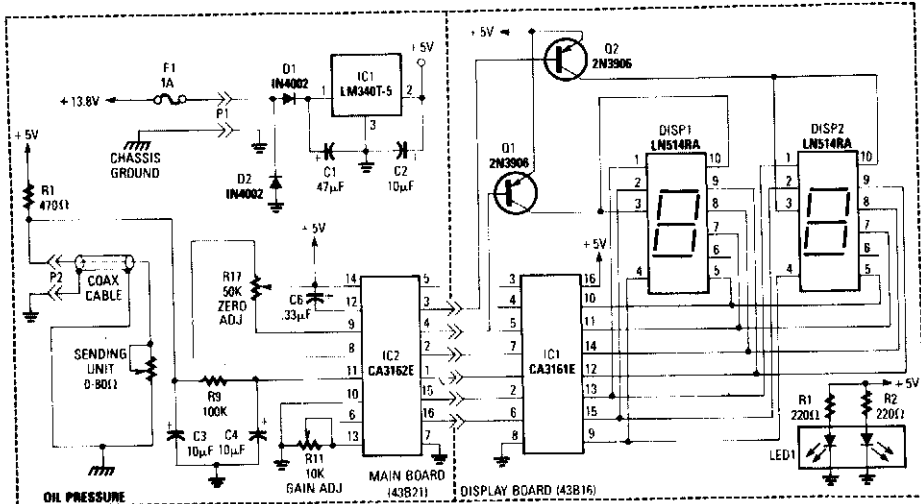
## Automotive Instrumentation Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 661. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Digital Oil-Pressure Gauge
- Water Temperature Gauge
- Automotive Electrical Tester
- Digital Vacuum Gauge
- Digital Fuel Gauge
- Analog Expanded-Scale Meter for Autos
- Digital Pressure Gauge
- Voltage Gauge
- Digital Miscellaneous Temperature Gauge

## DIGITAL OIL-PRESSURE GAUGE

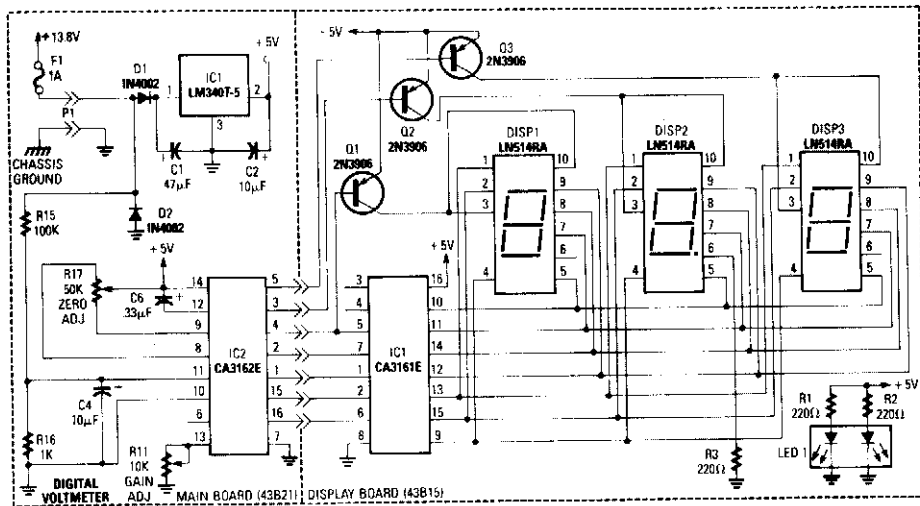


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 9-1

This gauge uses a sensor in conjunction with R1 to develop a dc voltage proportional to oil pressure. IC1 and IC2 form a two-digit DVM. Q1 and Q2 are display selectors for the multiplexed display. IC1 provides the necessary +5 V to the circuitry. Calibration is via R11 and zero adjust via R17.

## WATER TEMPERATURE GAUGE

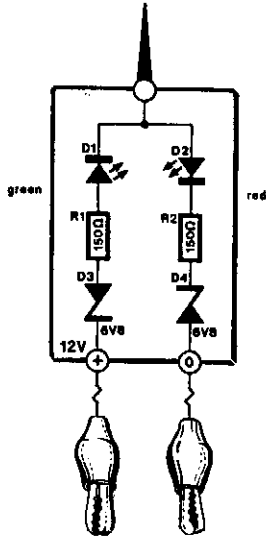


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 9-2

This gauge is similar to the miscellaneous temperature gauge, except that a thermostat is used as a sensing element.

## AUTOMOTIVE ELECTRICAL TESTER



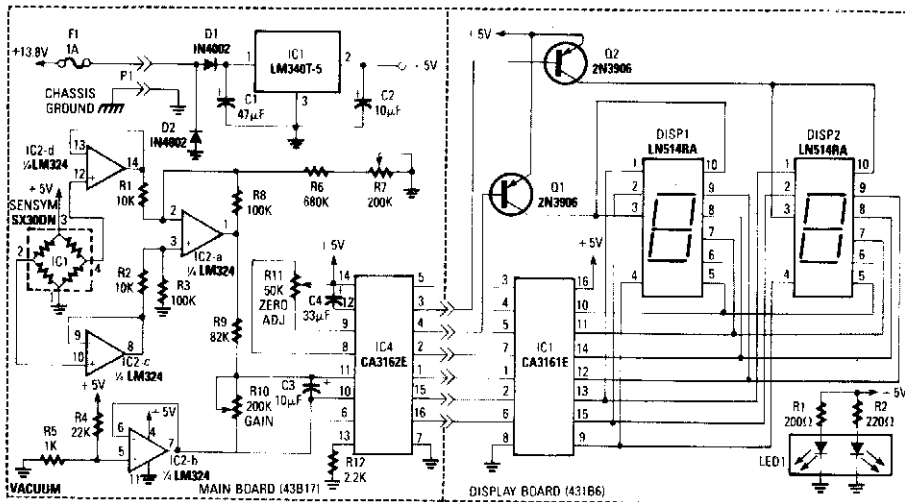
ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 9-3**

This little tester is useful for checking vehicle electrical circuits. Two LEDs indicate whether one of the clips is connected to the positive supply line (red) or to ground (green).

The unit is powered by the vehicle battery. It is advisable to terminate the unit into two insulated heavy-duty crocodile clips. These enable connection to be made directly to the battery or to terminals on the fuse box. It is also possible to terminate it into a suitable connector that fits into the cigarette lighter socket. If a sharp needle is soldered to one of the terminals, it is possible to check insulated wiring—but only those that carry 12 V. Although the needle pierces the insulation, it does not damage it.

## DIGITAL VACUUM GAUGE

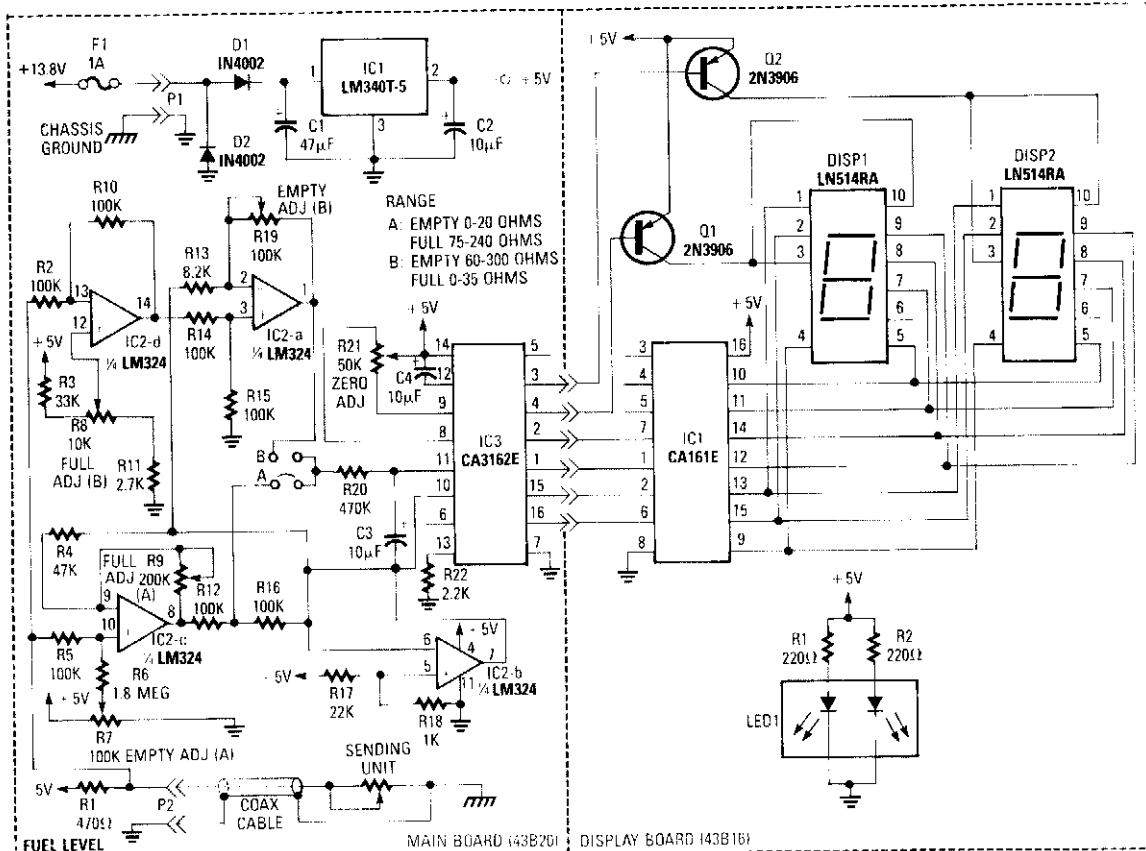


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 9-4**

A bridge circuit is used to produce a signal from the output of vacuum sensor IC1. IC2b provides about a 0.2 V offset for IC4, the A/D converter. IC2b and d are voltage followers that drive differential amp IC2a. The output of this circuit is used to drive IC4 and IC1, the display drivers.

## DIGITAL FUEL GAUGE

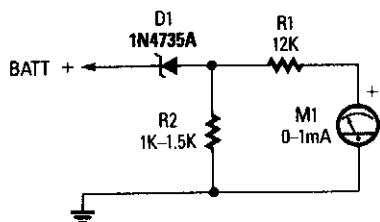


**Fig. 9-5**

### RADIO-ELECTRONICS

This circuit uses a digital voltmeter (formed from IC1 and IC3) to display fuel quantity as a percentage of a full tank. In order to work with two kinds of fuel sensors, low resistance = full. Where higher resistance = full, IC2 forms a dc amplifier that has both inverting (path A) or noninverting (path B) outputs, and calibration adjustments for each path.

## ANALOG EXPANDED-SCALE METER FOR AUTOS

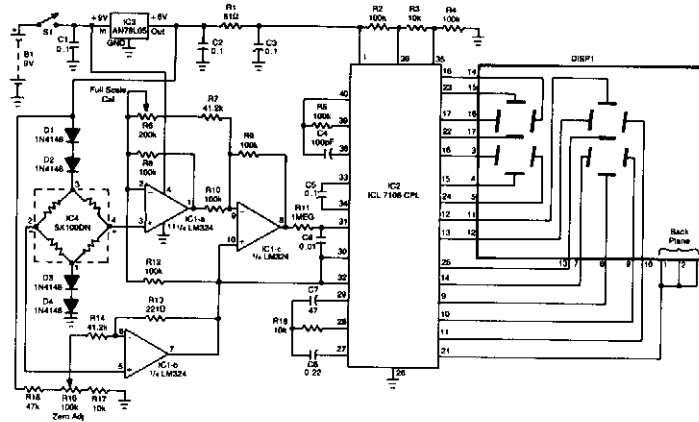


Zener diode D1 is used to suppress the first 6 V of the scale, which gives a meter reading of 6 to 8 V—useful for automotive electrical system monitoring.

### POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 9-6**

## DIGITAL PRESSURE GAUGE

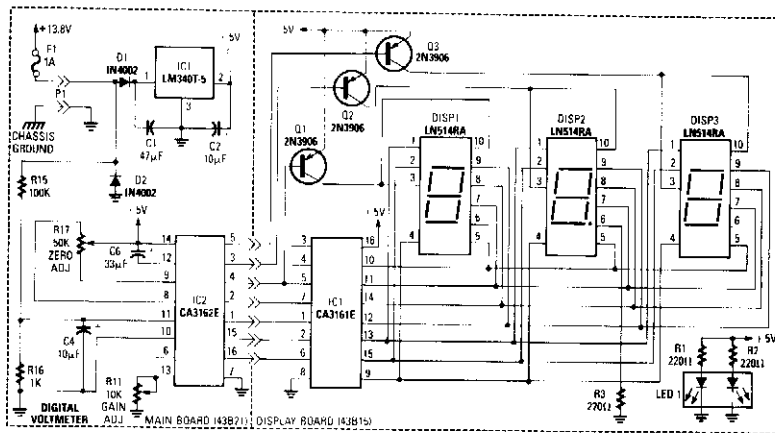


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 9-7

Using an intersil ICL 7106 A/D converter chip and an LED display module, this gauge uses a Sensym Corp. pressure transducer SX100pn (100 psi full scale) in a Wheatstone bridge configuration to drive an op amp (IC1a, b, c) translator circuit that supplies a dc voltage to IC2 that is proportional to pressure. R6 sets the gain of IC1A (full-scale sensitivity) and R16 supplies a zero adjustment. IC3 provides regulated +5 V to power the circuit.

## VOLTAGE GAUGE

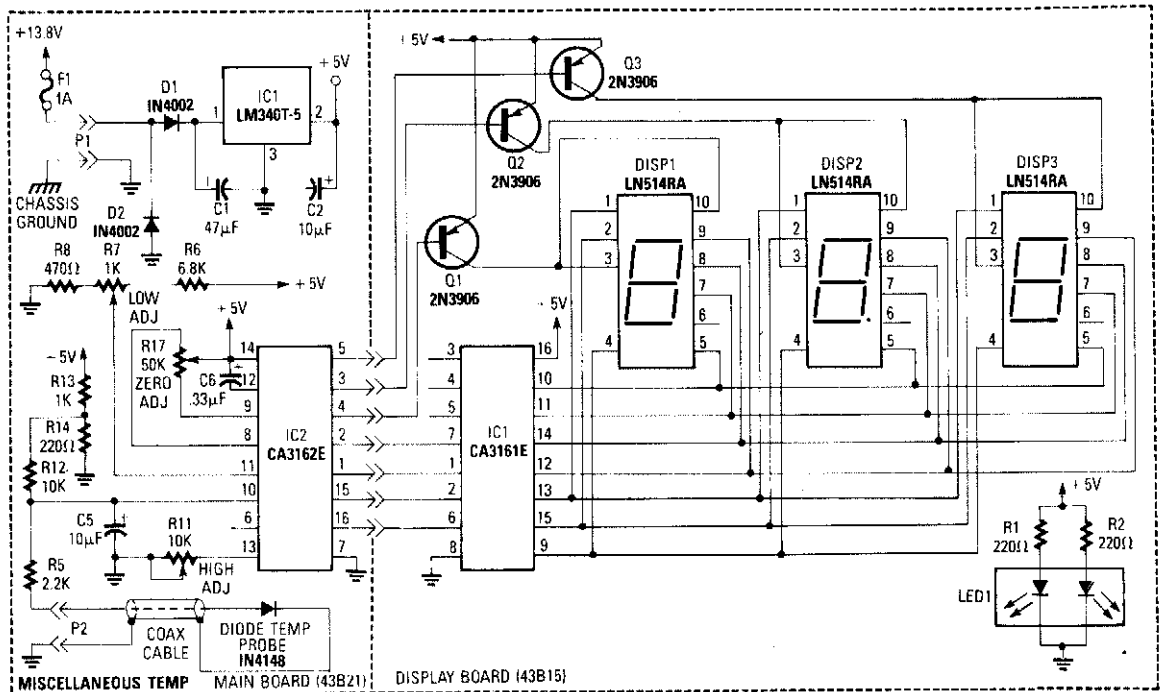


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 9-8

This circuit uses an RCA CA3162E (IC2) A/D converter. This converter has 12-bit output (BCD) which is sent to display decoder driver IC1. +5 V is obtained from IC1. R17 adjusts to 0 and R11 should be set to produce correct calibration of gauge unit. Displays are common cathode types. No limiting resistors are necessary because the output drivers are constant current. R15 and R16 sample the applied voltage (usually 8 to 18 V). LED1 is used to illuminate the gauge legend (Volts, Temp, etc.).

## DIGITAL MISCELLANEOUS TEMPERATURE GAUGE



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 9-9

A diode (IN4148) is used as a temperature sensor. IC2 is an A/D converter with BCD output. A reference voltage set by R7 is applied to the positive input of IC2. As the temperature increases, the voltage across the temperature sensor resistance decreases. This increases the differential input voltage across pins 10 and 11 of IC2. R3 adjusts low calibration. R17 zeros the A/D converter and R7 adjusts high calibration.

# 10

## Automotive Security Circuits

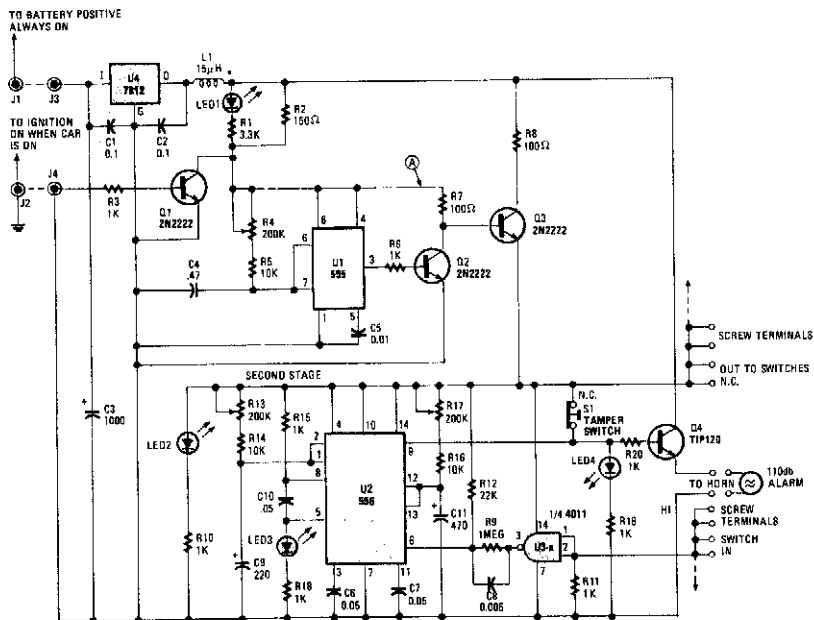
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Automatic Arming Auto Alarm  
Backup Beeper  
Auto Turn-Off Alarm with 8-Minute Delay  
Auto Alarm  
Auto Ignition Cut-Off  
Car Alarm with Horn as Loudspeaker  
Automotic Turn-Off Alarm with Delay  
Single-IC Alarm  
Low-Current Simple CMOS Alarm  
Back-Up Alarm



## AUTOMATIC ARMING AUTO ALARM



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 10-1

The circuit automatically turns on when the car is turned off. It gives you a variable time to get out and lock up, and also provides a variable time delay to get in and start the car.

The 555 oscillator/timers are always powered down when the car is on. That keeps the alarm from going off while you're driving. As soon as the car is turned off, Q2 switches off and shunts power to U1. When that happens, U1 immediately sends its output high, keeping Q3 on, and thereby prevents power from returning to U2.

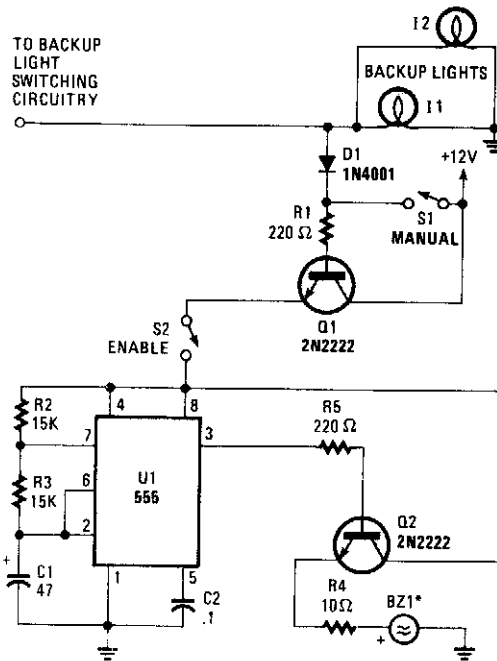
Transistor Q2 also sends power to Q3's collector to be used only when U1 has completed its timing cycle. When U1 has finished, it turns Q3 off, which in turn activates Q4, and sends power to the balance of the circuit. That timing period was the time needed to get out of the car. LED1 indicates that the system is disarmed and LED2 indicates that the system is armed.

At this point, U2 waits for a trigger pulse from the car's door switches or dome light. A positive impulse at the 4011's input sends a negative trigger pulse to the first stages of U2, which is connected as a cascading timer. The first stage's output becomes high for a time to allow the car to be turned on.

If that does not happen, the first stage's output lowers, which sends a low trigger pulse to the second stage. The second stage then sends its output high, turning on Q5, which sounds the alarm for a given time. Once that time has elapsed, the alarm is shut off by a low output to Q5 and the system is reset. If the car door is closed or a second door opened while the alarm is sounding, the first stage retriggers and prepares to extend the ON-time of the alarm.

The cascading or counting action continues until the car is left alone. You can add a switch on the positive supply rail at J3 to override and silence the alarm, if (for example) you plan to work on the car. Switch S1 is a normally closed type that is built into the case of the alarm; S1 is pushed to the open position when the case is mounted flush with a surface. Any attempt to remove the alarm will sound the alarm.

## BACKUP BEEPER

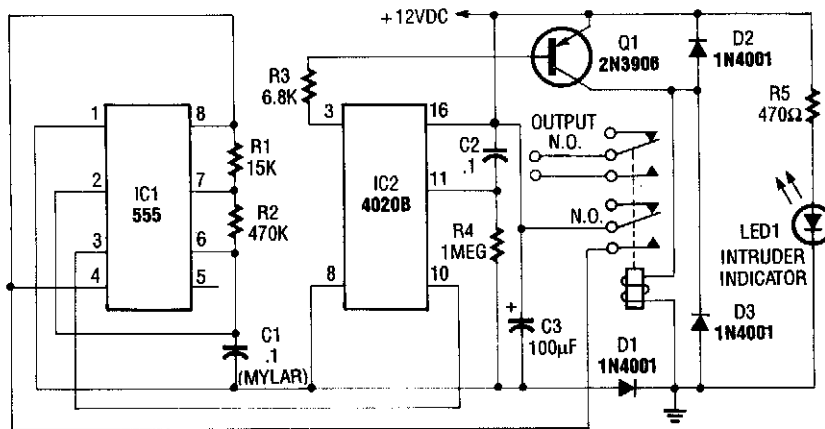


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Fig. 10-2

When the vehicle's backup lights kick on, or when the manual switch (S1) is closed, a small current is fed to the base of Q1. Transistor Q1 allows current to flow through it and, if the enable switch (S2) is closed, it sends 12 V to U1, a 555 timer. Timer U1 sends high pulses that last 0.977 13 s and low signals that last 0.488 565 s to the base of Q2. When U1 switches Q2 on, it sends 12 V to BZ1, a piezoelectric buzzer. For best results, the buzzer should be mounted under the vehicle—somewhere where people around the car can hear the warning beeps.

## AUTO TURN-OFF ALARM WITH 8-MINUTE DELAY

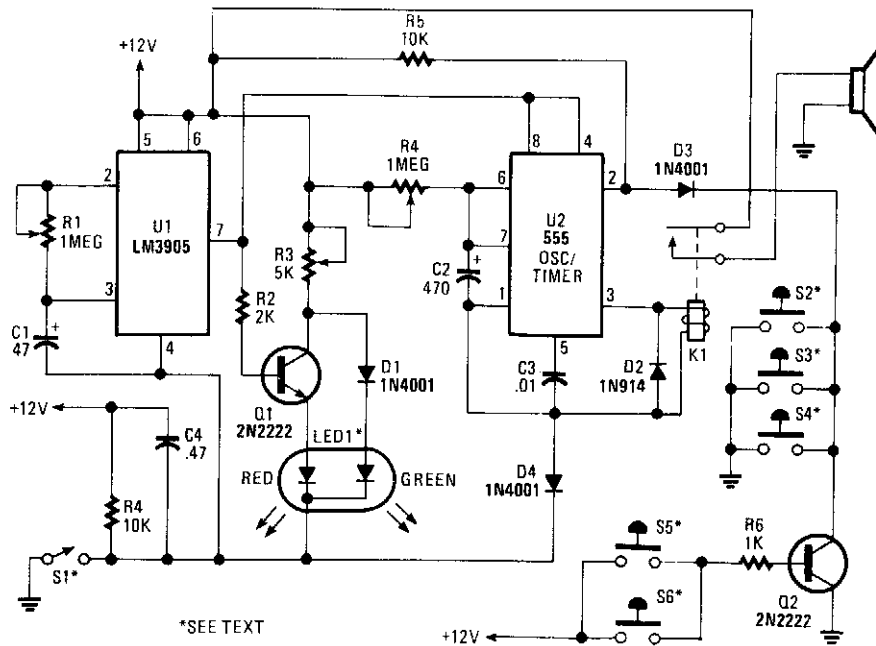


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Fig. 10-3

This circuit uses a NE555 timer and CD4020B. When +12 Vdc is applied to the circuit, the output of IC2 is set low via C2, which turns on the relay, and IC1, a pulse generator. IC1 pulses counter IC2. After 8192 clocks, IC2 output (pin 3) goes high, cuts off Q2, and completes the cycle.

## AUTO ALARM



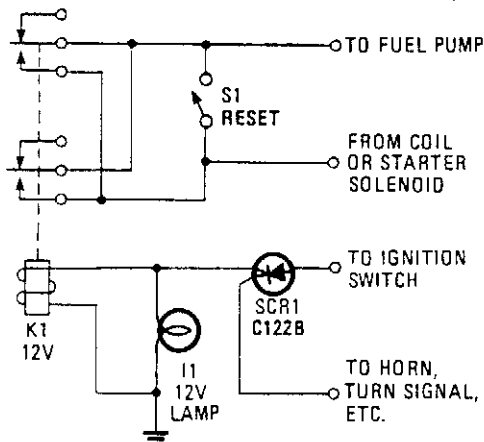
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Fig. 10-4

S1 is external key switch. The alarm allows a 0- to 45-s delay after S1 is operated before the circuit is armed. During this period, LED1 lights green. After this delay, LED1 lights red, which indicates that the circuit is armed. Then, sensors S2 through S4 -(NO) or S5 through S6 (NO) pull pin 2 of U2 low, which activates K1 and sounds the alarm. The alarm sounds for a duration determined by R4 and C2. After this time, K1 releases and the circuit is again ready. Manual reset is via the key switch, S1.

## AUTO IGNITION CUT-OFF

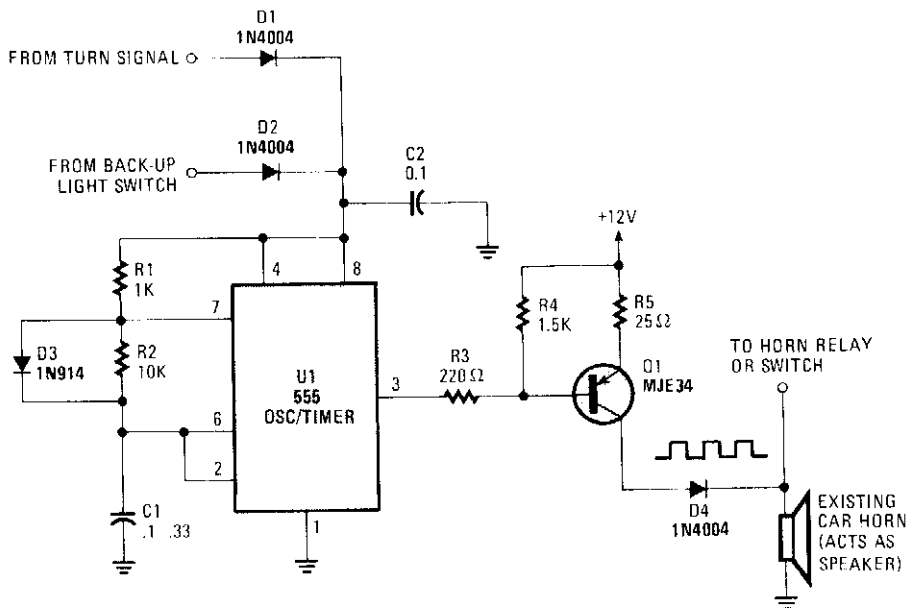


Using an SCR/relay combination, this circuit can be made to cut off ignition, unless a positive voltage is applied to the gate of the SCR. This is useful as an anti-theft device, because depending on hook-up, the car will not start unless a certain accessory or a hidden switch is closed.

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Fig. 10-5

## CAR ALARM WITH HORN AS LOUDSPEAKER

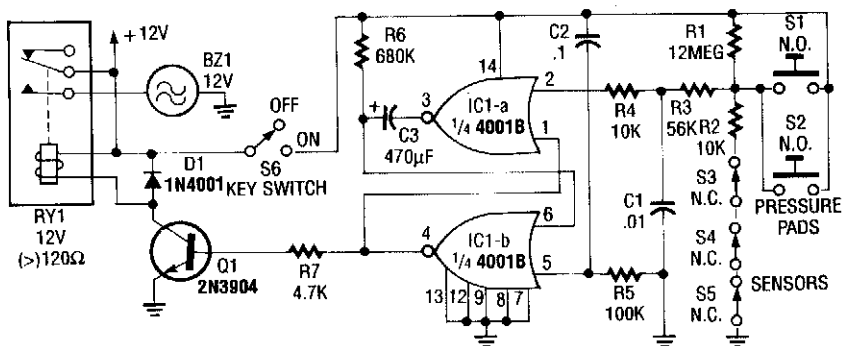


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Fig. 10-6

An auto horn will work as a speaker of limited audio-frequency range. This circuit uses a 555 timer as an oscillator to drive an MJE34 transistor, which in turn drives the horn. Normal horn operation is ensured by blocking diode D4.

## AUTOMATIC TURN-OFF ALARM WITH DELAY

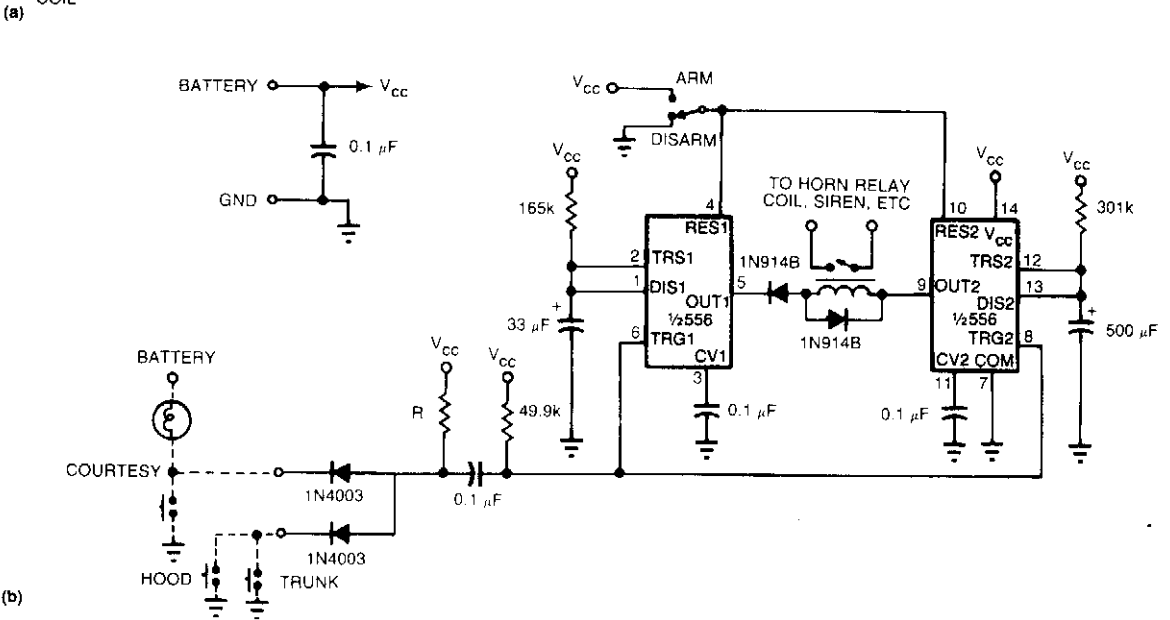
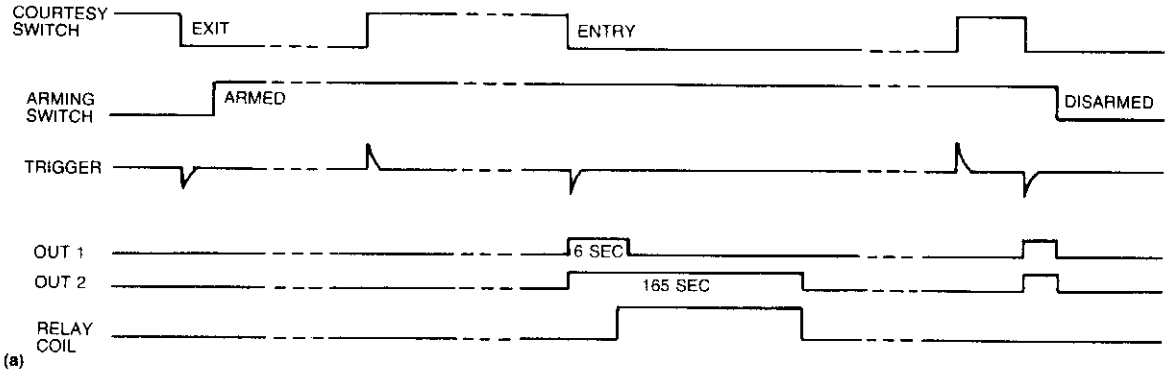


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 10-7

In this circuit, IC1A and IC1B act as a monostable multivibrator. Any input from the sensors S1 through S5 forces IC1A to produce logic low, which causes IC1B to turn on Q1 until C3 charges through R6. This action resets the latch formed by IC1A and IC1B.

## SINGLE-IC ALARM



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**Fig. 10-8**

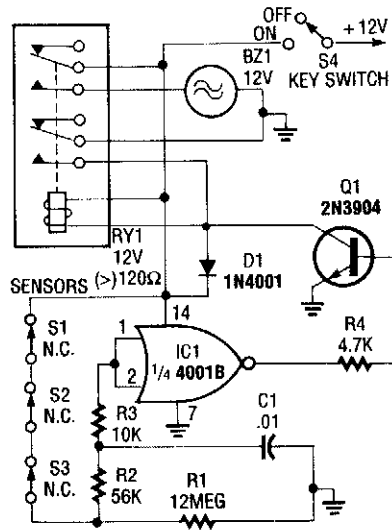
With a single IC, you can build a simple, reliable auto burglar alarm or a similar alarm. See (a) for the timing information for the alarm circuit in (b).

When you leave your vehicle, flip the arming switch and close the door behind you to arm the device. Subsequent opening of an entrance triggers both timers. After the expiration of the entry delay timer, the alarm sounds for a time that is determined by the second timer.

The value of  $R$  should be less than  $1\text{ k}\Omega$ . If you use an incandescent lamp instead of a resistor, you get an extra function—an open-entrance indicator. By keeping the resistance low, you avoid false tripping should water collect under the hood.

If your door switch connects the courtesy light to  $12\text{ V}$  rather than to ground, use a single transistor as an inverter at the input. Although this circuit's simplicity has its drawbacks, you can add more features, such as no-entry delays for the hood and trunk, and retriggering when doors remain open.

## LOW-CURRENT SIMPLE CMOS ALARM

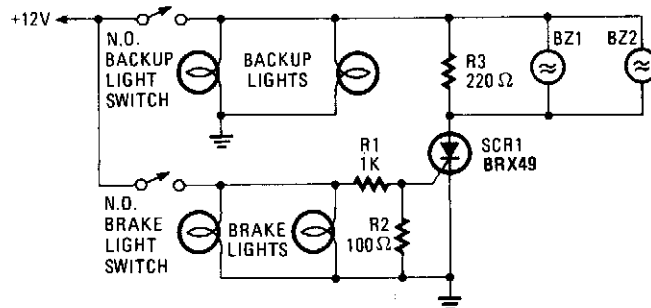


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 10-9

This CMOS-aided alarm draws only 1  $\mu$ A standby current. An open sensor allows IC1 to bias Q1 on, activating RY1.

## BACK-UP ALARM



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Fig. 10-10

The brake lights of the automobile trigger this circuit on and off. This saves the annoyance of the alarm when it is not needed.

# 11

## Automotive Light Circuits

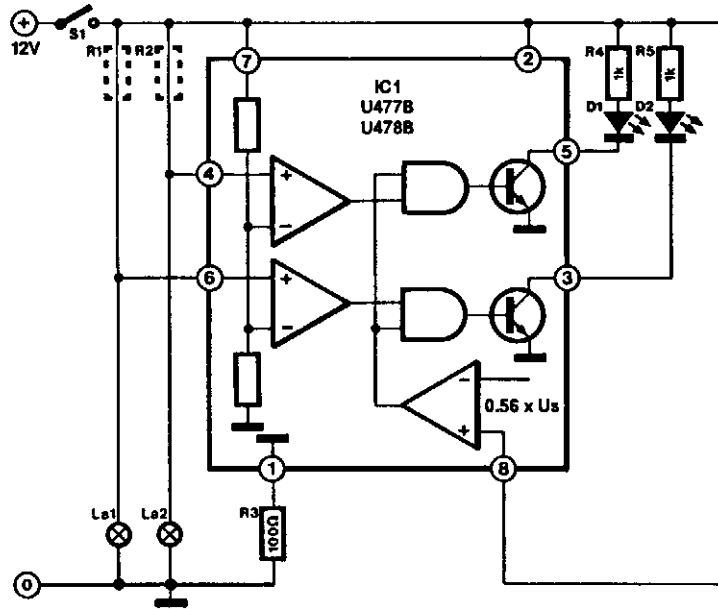
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 662. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Car Lights Monitor  
Rear Fog Light Controller with Delay  
Interior Convenience Light  
Third Brake Light  
Lights-On Warning  
Car Headlight Control  
Night Safety Light for Autos  
Lights-On Reminder for Autos  
Automobile Lights-On Reminder



## CAR LIGHTS MONITOR



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Fig. 11-1

This circuit is for the purpose of monitoring automotive lighting. Two special ICs are available from Telefunken that are designed to measure the current through a light bulb. In practice, detecting whether a current flows through a bulb or not is a most suitable way of determining whether the bulb still works.

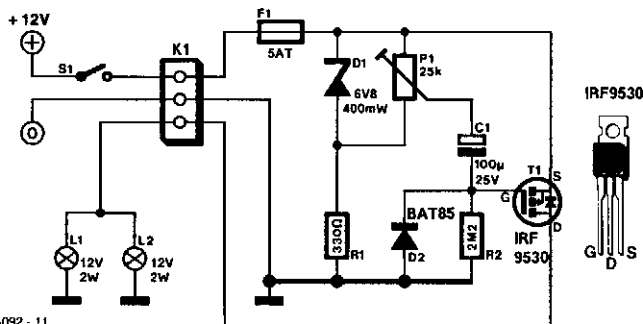
If a small resistance is connected in series with a bulb, a small voltage drop will develop across it when the bulb lights ( $R_1$  and  $R_2$  in the diagram). Each IC can cope with only two bulbs, so three or four ICs are needed per car. The junction of the bulb and resistor is connected to one of the inputs (pin 4 or pin 6) of the IC. The potential across the resistor is compared in the IC with an internal reference voltage. Depending on which of the two ICs is used, the voltage drop must be about 16 mV (U477B) or 100 mV (U478B). This voltage drop is so small that it will not affect the brightness of the relevant bulb.

The value of the series resistor is determined quite easily. If, for instance, it is in series with the brake light (normally 21 W), the current through the bulb, assuming that the vehicle has a 12-V battery, is  $21 \div 12 = 1.75$  A. The resistance must then be of  $16 \div 1.75 = 9$  m $\Omega$  (U477B) or  $100 \div 1.75 = 57$  m $\Omega$  (U478B).

These resistors can be made from a length of resistance wire (available from most electrical retailers). Failing that, standard circuit wire of 0.7 mm diameter can be used. This has a specific resistance of about 100 m $\Omega$  per meter. However, in most cars, the existing wiring will have sufficient resistance to serve as series resistor.

LEDs can be connected to the outputs of the IC (pins 3 and 5). These will only light if the relevant car light fails to work properly.

## REAR FOG LIGHT CONTROLLER WITH DELAY



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Fig. 11-2

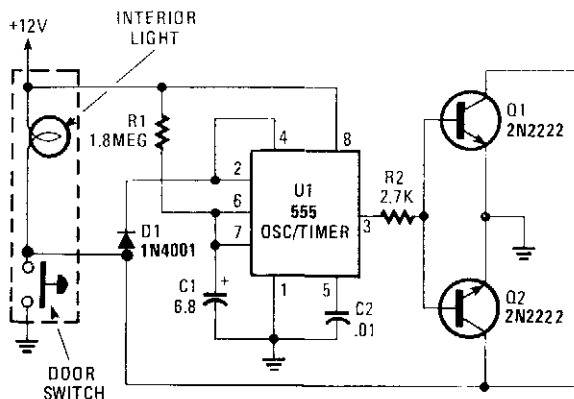
We assume that most of our readers are thoughtful drivers who do not switch on their rear fog lights when closely followed by other traffic. Following drivers (for an instant) will think that you are braking (although they have seen no reason for your doing so) and thus slam on their brakes as well. This could cause a very dangerous situation. Avoid a potentially dangerous action and install the rear fog light delay circuit, presented here.

Switch S1 is the on/off control for rear fog lights L1 and L2. As soon as this switch is closed, the gate-source voltage ( $V_{gs}$ ) of MOSFET T1 will become more and more negative. Thus, the IC will conduct harder and harder. This in turn causes the brightness of the lights to gradually become brighter. Maximum brightness is reached after a delay of about 20 seconds, which is determined by time constant  $R2/C1$ .

The gate of T1 can be given a bias by preset P1. This provides compensation for the initial period after the lights are switched on and the lamps do not light, because they need hundreds of milliamperes before they can do so. With P1 set correctly, the lamps will light, albeit weakly, and immediately the control switch is closed. The gate potential is then equal to the voltage at the wiper of P1 (remember that C1 is then still discharged).

Although the dissipation of T1 is a maximum during the transitional period (between switch on and the lamps lighting brightly), the heatsink required is calculated on the basis of the dissipation when the lamps light brightly.

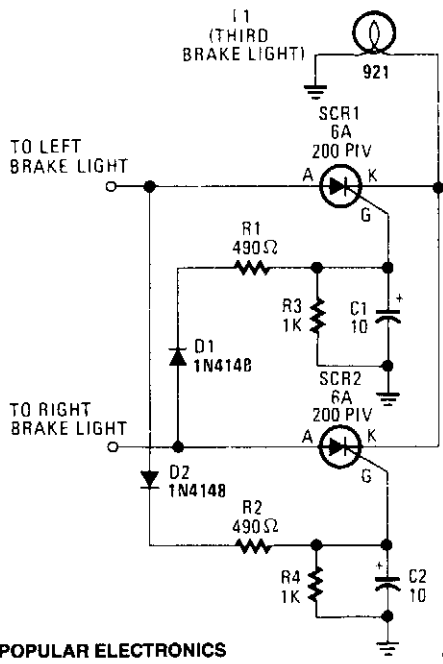
## INTERIOR CONVENIENCE LIGHT



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Fig. 11-3

When the door is closed, this circuit keeps the dome light on for a period determined by  $R1/C1$ . The time is approximately  $(1.1)R1 \times C1$ .



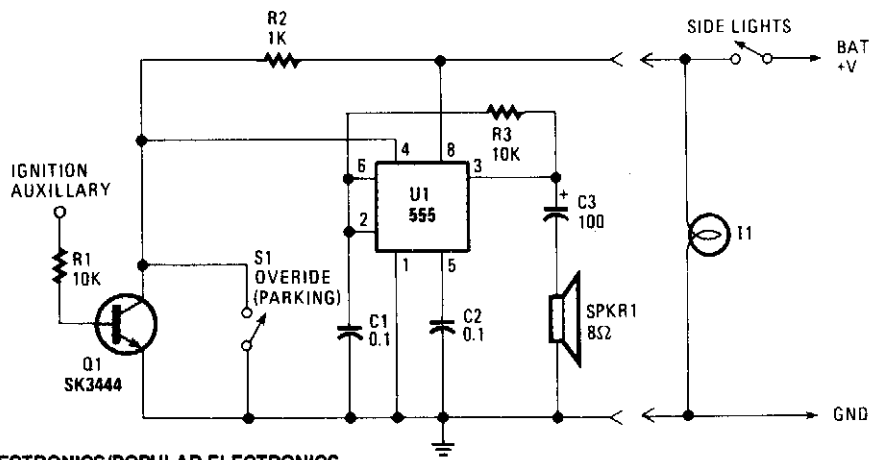
### THIRD BRAKE LIGHT

The circuit is designed to light (via SCR1 and SCR2) only when both the left and right brake lights are activated. The circuit operates on 12-V negative-ground systems. When the brake pedal is depressed, 12 V is applied to the left and right brake lights. The gates of the two SCRs are triggered and current flows through the SCRs, which turns on the third brake light.

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Fig. 11-4

### LIGHTS-ON WARNING



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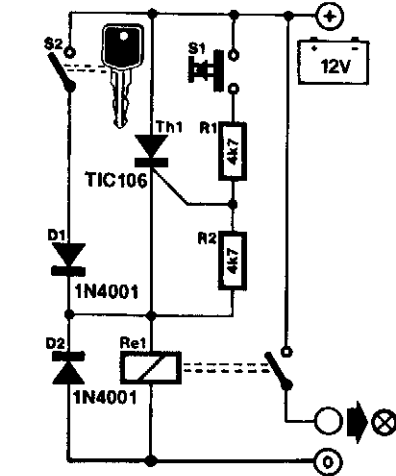
Fig. 11-5

Because power for the circuit is obtained from the car's side lights, the circuit can't oscillate unless the lights are on. The reset pin on the 555 connects to transistor Q1. The base of Q1 is connected through R1 to the ignition auxiliary terminal on the car's fuse box. When the ignition is turned on, power is supplied to the base of Q1, which turns it on. With Q1 turned on, pin 4 of U1 is tied low, which disables the oscillator and inhibits the alarm. If the ignition is turned off while the lights are on, power is applied to the 555 and Q1 is turned off, and the alarm starts. Switch S1 is an optional override.

## CAR HEADLIGHT CONTROL

It is annoying to realize that you have left your car headlights on only to find that the battery is flat. One possible way to prevent this is with the present control.

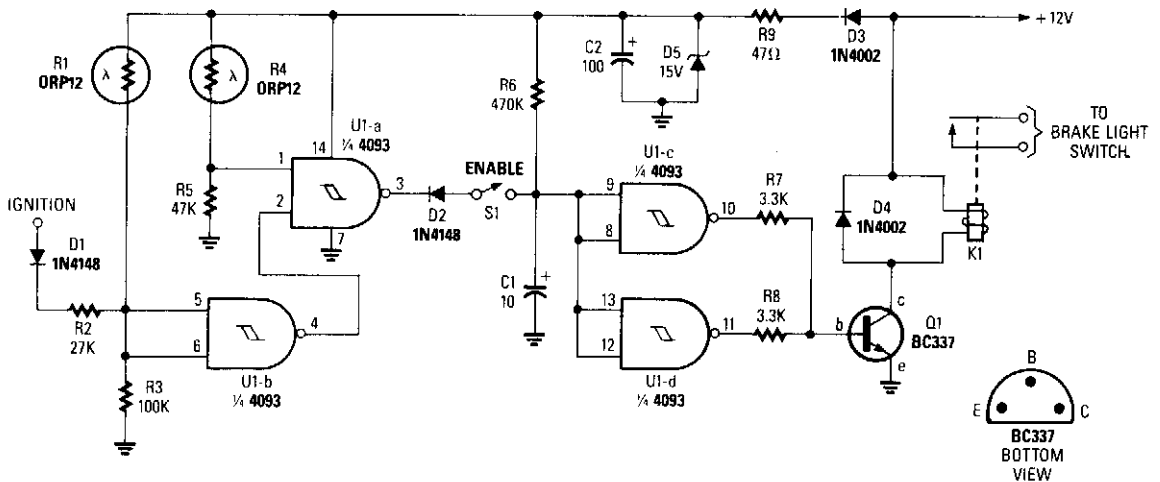
The circuit does not provide a warning, but an action: when you switch off the ignition, relay Re1 is de-energized and the headlights are switched off—unless you deliberately decide otherwise. That decision is made possible by switch S1, which, when operated, triggers silicon-controlled rectifier Th1 so that Re1 is energized. Notice that this is possible only when the ignition switch, S2, is off. Otherwise, the voltage across Th1 is so low, owing to shunt diode D1, that it cannot be triggered. However, the headlights should not normally be switched on when the ignition is off; in most cases S1 will be used only rarely and the switch can then be omitted altogether. The relay should be a standard 12-V car type with contacts that can switch up to 25 A.



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Fig. 11-6

## NIGHT SAFETY LIGHT FOR AUTOS

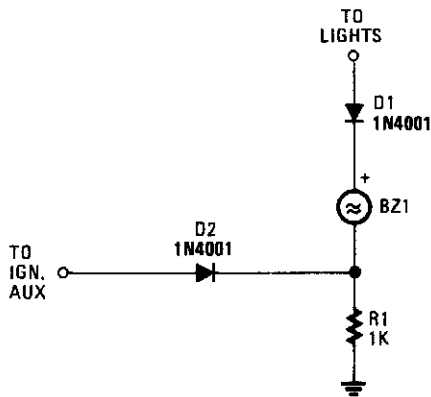


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Fig. 11-7

This circuit turns on the brake lights of a parked car when the headlights of an oncoming car are detected, warning the driver of the oncoming car about the parked vehicle. LDR4 is the sensor. LDR1 disables the circuit by causing U1 gate input to be pulled high during daylight hours, causing pin 2 of U1a to become low, disabling it and the circuit.

## LIGHTS-ON REMINDER FOR AUTOS

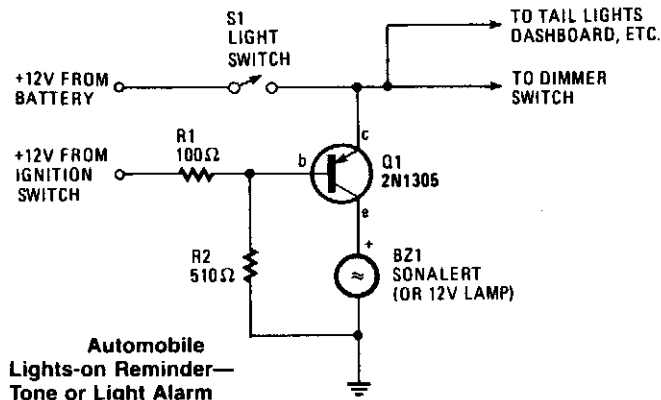


When ignition is off, BZ1 will sound if the headlights are on. With the ignition on, BZ1 receives no voltage.

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Fig. 11-8

## AUTOMOBILE LIGHTS-ON REMINDER



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Fig. 11-9

The circuit can be used to give a visible or an audible warning that the headlights are on. It uses a 2N1305 transistor as a switch to turn on a Sonalert tone generator or a small 12-V lamp. Operating current for the transistor is supplied from the wire that feeds the headlights. When the ignition is on, the transistor is biased off and the alarm is not activated. Turning off the ignition while the lights are on sets off the alarm.

# 12

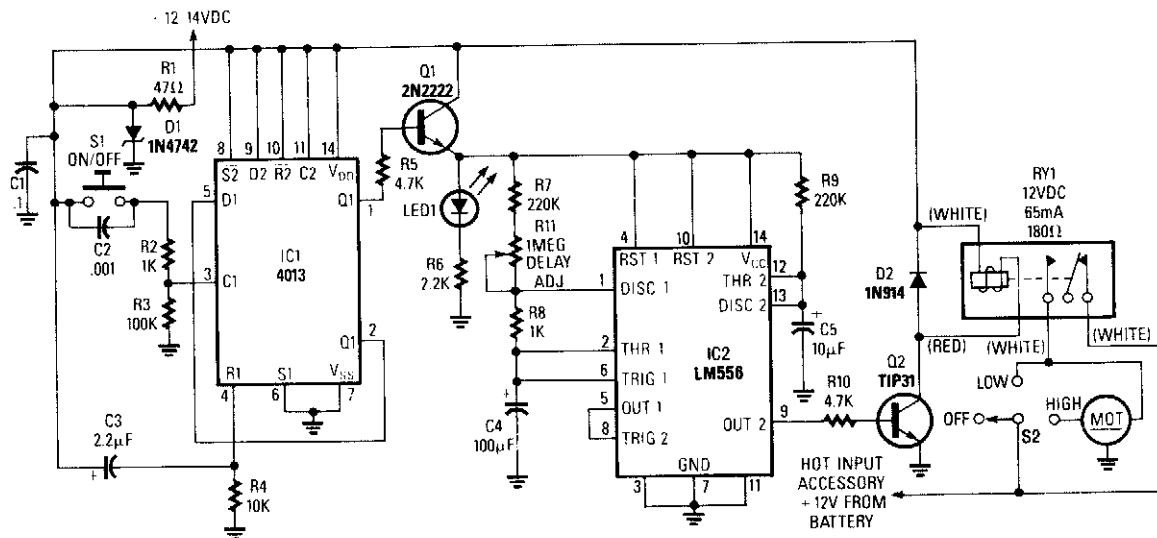
## Automotive Electronic Circuits

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Solid-State Windshield-Wiper Delay  
Electronic Ignition  
High-Power Car Audio Amplifier  
Windshield Wiper Interval Controller  
Voltage Regulator for Cars and Motorcycles

## SOLID-STATE WINDSHIELD-WIPER DELAY



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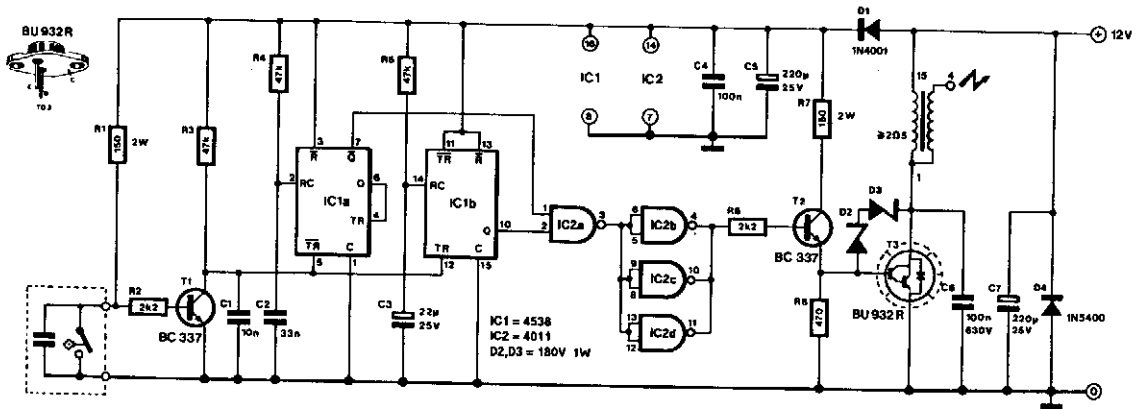
Fig. 12-1

In the wiper-delay schematic shown, with the ignition on, D1 maintains regulated +12 Vdc. When S1 closes, C1 bypasses transients and passes this +12 Vdc to divider R2-R3, producing a TTL high at pin 3 of IC1, a 4013 CMOS dual leading-edge triggered D-type flip-flop. Filter R4/C3 keeps IC1 from triggering erroneously when the ignition is on. When S1 is pressed, output Q1 (pin 1) of IC1 latches high, turning on Q1, which conducts via R5, turning on IC2; LED1 indicates power, and R6 sets the current. Because IC2 depends on Q1 for power, IC2 stays off until Q1 turns on.

The left half of IC2 is an astable, with its delay set by R7, R8, R11, and C4. The right half of IC2 is a monostable, with its pulse duration set by R9 and C5. With the values used, you might expect R11 to vary the delay from about 15 to 84 seconds, with a 2.42-second monostable pulse operating the wiper blades on each cycle. However, the actual delay will range between 2 to 18 s, with a 1-s monostable pulse on each cycle. That discrepancy stems from the fact that IC2 is being fed from the emitter of Q1, rather than directly from the regulated +12-V supply. Transistor Q1 acts as an active current source, charges and discharges C4 faster than it ordinarily would.

The astable output (OUT1, pin 5) is tied to TRIG2 (pin 8). When OUT2 (pin 9) becomes high, Q2 is biased via R10 and current flows through RY1, with D2 dissipating back-emf when RY1 shuts off.

## ELECTRONIC IGNITION



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Fig. 12-2

This electronic ignition circuit is intended to be inserted into a car's conventional ignition system. In effect, it replaces the original 12-V switching circuit in the primary winding of the coil by one generating more than 100 V. It thereby converts a current circuit, which is upset by lead and stray resistance, into a voltage circuit that is much more efficient.

The pulses emanating from the contact breaker, shown at the extreme lower left-hand side of the diagram, are applied to transistor T1 and subsequently differentiated by R3/C1. This causes a negligible ignition delay. The current through the contact-breaker points is determined by the value of R1. This value has been chosen to ensure that the points remain clean.

Transistor T1 is followed by two monostables, IC1A and IC1B, which are both triggered by the output pulses of T1. However, whereas IC1A is triggered by the trailing edge, IC1B is triggered by the leading edge.

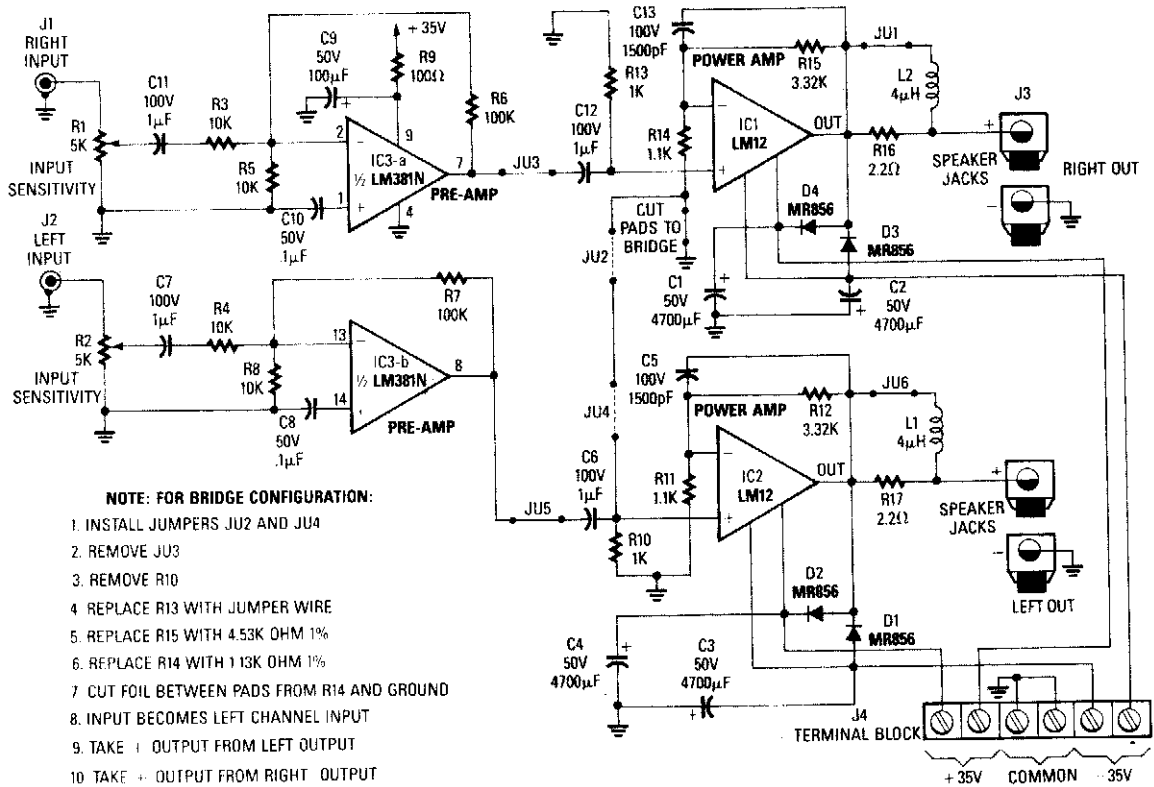
Monostable IC1A passes a pulse of about 1.5 ms (determined by R4/C2) to NAND gate IC2A. This gate switches off high-voltage Darlington T3 via gates IC2B, IC2C and IC2D, and driver T2, for the duration of the pulse. Gate IC2 ensures that T3 is switched on only when the engine is running, to prevent a current of some amperes flowing through the ignition coil.

As long as pulses emanate from the contact breaker, IC1B is triggered and its Q output remains logic high. The mono time of this stage is about 1 s and is determined by R5/C3.

Darlington T3 is switched on via T2 and IC2A through IC2D as long as IC1A does not pass an ignition pulse. When the engine is not running, the Q output of IC2B goes low after 1 s and this causes T2 and T3 to be switched off. The two series-connected 180-V zener diodes protect the collector of the BU932R against too high of a voltage. The Darlington must be fitted on a suitable heatsink.



## HIGH-POWER CAR AUDIO AMPLIFIER

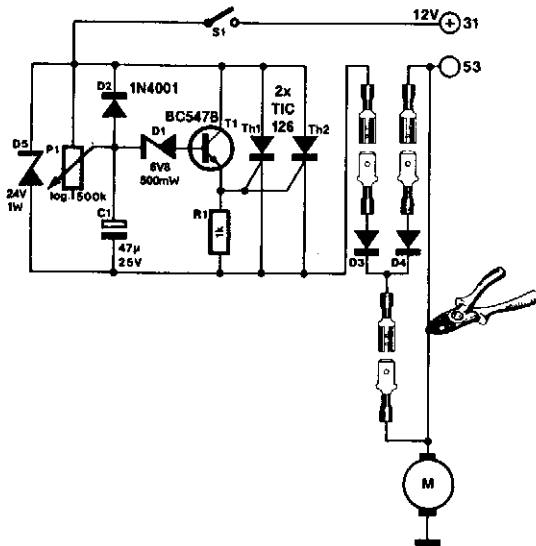


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Fig. 12-3

This stereo amp will supply 60 W rms into 8 Ω or 100 W rms into 4 Ω. Notice that the LM12C1 line level (about 300 mV) into 5 KΩ. A ±35-V supply is required for full power output. Power can be obtained from a dc-dc converter.

## WINDSHIELD WIPER INTERVAL CONTROLLER



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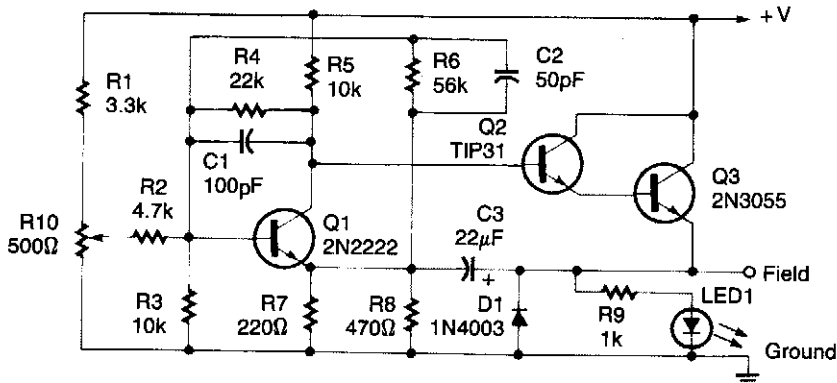
Fig. 12-4

The windshield wiper interval circuit presented here is very compact and is noteworthy for its use of two thyristors, instead of a relay. It has only two connections and operates without any problems—even in conjunction with multistage wiper circuits.

The connecting wire between the wiper motor and terminal 53 is cut and new connections are made (as shown in the diagram). When the interval switch, S1, is closed, capacitor C1 charges via P1 and the wiper motor. After a time set with P1, transistor T1 switches on and triggers the thyristors. The wiper motor is then energized via the thyristors and D3 and sets the wipers into motion. At the same time, C1 discharges via D2 and the thyristors.

After a short time, the wiper stop switch connects terminal 53 to the +12-V line so that the wiper motor is energized via D4. The thyristors are switched off because the voltage drop across D3 plus Th1/Th2 is then greater than that across D4. When the wipers reach the end of their travel again, the stop switch connects terminal 53 to ground and enables C1 to charge again.

## VOLTAGE REGULATOR FOR CARS AND MOTORCYCLES



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Fig. 12-5

This regulator circuit can be used on an alternator that has one field terminal grounded. When +V (input) gets too high, Q1 conducts, and the base of Q2 is driven toward ground, reducing the voltage fed to Q3. This lowers the voltage fed to the field of the alternator.

# 13

## Battery Chargers

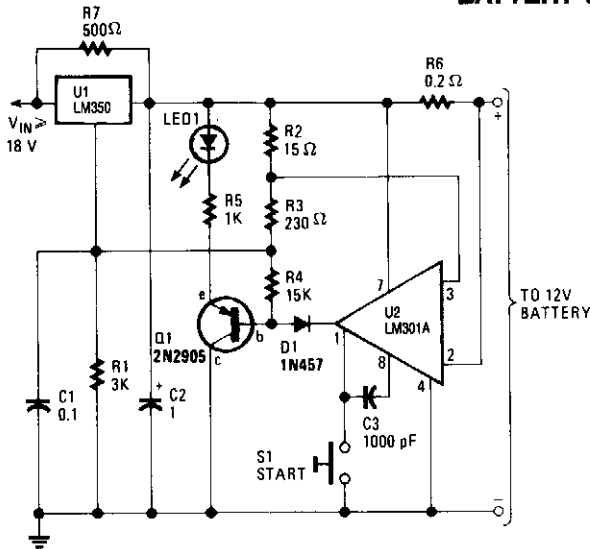
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Portable Nicad Charger  
Battery Charger  
Current-Limited 6-V Charger  
12-V Battery Charger  
+ 12-Vdc Mobile Battery Charger  
Charger Extends Lead-Acid Battery Life



## BATTERY CHARGER

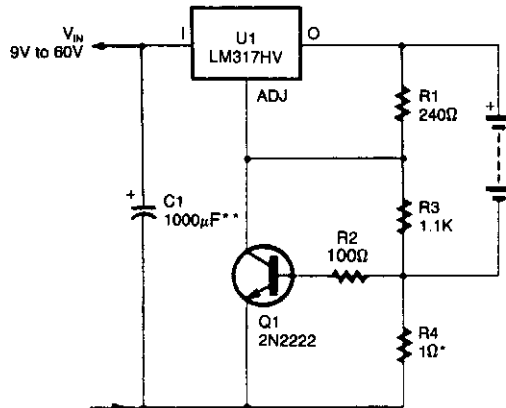


This high-performance charger quickly charges gelled lead-acid batteries, and turns off at full charge. At first, the charge current is held at 2 A, but as battery voltage rises, current decreases. When current falls to 150 mA, the charger automatically switches to a lower float voltage to keep from overcharging. When you hit full charge, transistor Q1 lights the LED to indicate that status.

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Fig. 13-2

## CURRENT-LIMITED 6-V CHARGER



\*Sets Peak Current (0.6A for 10 $\Omega$ )

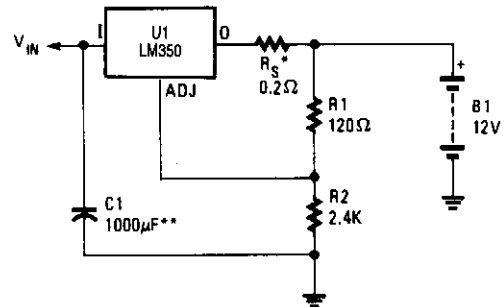
\*\*The 1000 $\mu$ F is Recommended to Filter Out Input Transients.

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Fig. 13-3

An LM317HV regulator is used as a current-limited charger. If current through R4 exceeds 0.6 A, Q1 is biased on, which pulls the ADJ terminal of the LM317 HV to ground and reduces the battery-charging current.

## 12-V BATTERY CHARGER



\* $R_s$  -SETS OUTPUT IMPEDANCE OF CHARGER  $Z_{OUT} = R_s (1 + \frac{R2}{R1})$

USE OF  $R_s$  ALLOWS LOW CHARGING RATES WITH FULLY CHARGED BATTERY.

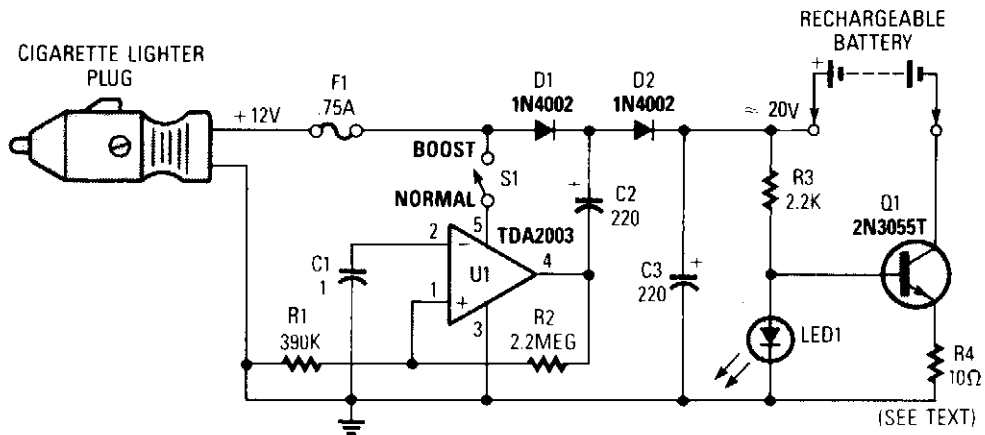
\*\*THE 1000 $\mu$ F IS RECOMMENDED TO FILTER OUT INPUT TRANSIENTS.

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Fig. 13-4

This simple charger uses an LM350 regulator as a battery charger.

## + 12-Vdc MOBILE BATTERY CHARGER



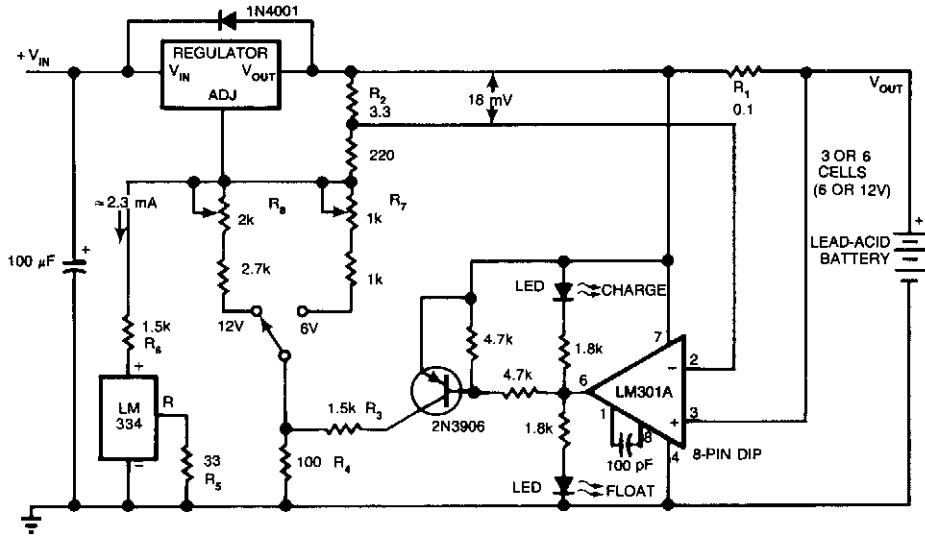
| Cell Size            | Amp/hr Rate | R4 value (14 hr rate) |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| N                    | 150 mA      | 120 ohms @ .25-watt   |
| AA                   | 500 mA      | 47 ohms @ .5 watt     |
| C                    | 1500 mA     | 12 ohms @ .5 watt     |
| D                    | 1500 mA     | 12 ohms @ .5 watt     |
| D<br>(High capacity) | 4000 mA     | 3.3 ohms @ 2 watt     |

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**Fig. 13-5**

This circuit provides up to 20 V output from a 12-V automotive supply, to enable constant current charging of Nicad battery assemblies up to about 18 V total. V1 forms a square-wave oscillator, D1 and D2, coupling this square wave to the 12-V battery supply to obtain over 20 Vdc. If this is not needed, S1 is left open. Q1 forms a current regulator to determine the charging rate of the rechargeable battery. R4 is selected from the table or it can be switched with a rotary selector switch.

## CHARGER EXTENDS LEAD-ACID BATTERY LIFE



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Fig. 13-6

The circuit furnishes an initial charging voltage of 2.5 V per cell at 25°C to rapidly charge a battery. The charging current decreases as the battery charges, and when the current drops to 180 mA, the charging circuit reduces the output voltage to 2.35 V per cell, floating the battery in a fully charged state. This lower voltage prevents the battery from overcharging, which would shorten its life. The LM301A compares the voltage drop across  $R_1$  with an 18-mV reference set by  $R_2$ . The comparator's output controls the voltage regulator, forcing it to produce the lower float voltage when the battery-charging current passing through  $R_1$  drops below 180 mA. The 150-mV difference between the charge and float voltages is set by the ratio of  $R_3$  to  $R_4$ . The LEDs show the state of the circuit.

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## Battery Monitors

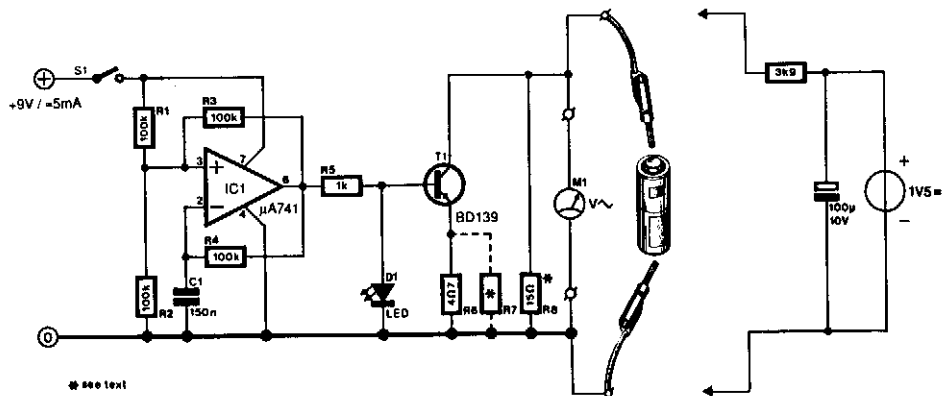
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 662. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Internal Resistance Battery Tester  
Battery-Saving Disconnect Switch  
Low-Battery Detector  
Battery-Temperature Sensing Nicad Charger  
Battery-Voltage Measuring Regulator  
Battery Tester  
Nicad Battery Tester  
Low-Battery Indicator  
Voltage-Level Indicator  
Low-Battery Detectors  
Voltage Monitor



## INTERNAL RESISTANCE BATTERY TESTER



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Fig. 14-1

A designer often needs to know the value of the internal resistance of a battery. Quite a few testers give a relative indication of the value, but this is seldom in ohms. The present tester can, in principle, provide that information.

The basic idea behind it is to load the battery with a varying current, so as to cause an alternating-voltage drop across the internal resistance that can be measured at the battery terminals. Provided that current variations are regular and constant, the voltage drop is directly proportional to the internal resistance.

Choose the variation of the current carefully to read the value of the internal resistance directly on the scale of an ac voltmeter.

The load current is varied with the aid of a current source, T1 in the diagram, which is switched on and off by square-wave generator IC1. The chosen switching frequency of 50 Hz ensures that the ac component at the battery terminals can be measured by a standard ac voltmeter (universal meter).

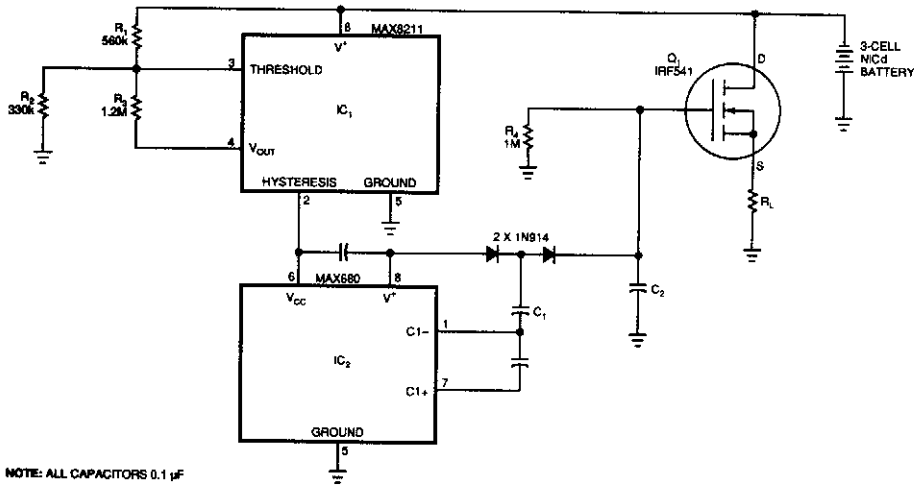
The battery is loaded constantly by R8, which has a value of 1.5 Ω for 1.5-V batteries, shunted by the ac voltmeter. The indicated voltage times 10 is the value of the internal resistance of the battery. When the battery under test is flat or if the supply battery is flat, no current flows and the meter will read zero. It would then appear as if the battery under test is an ideal type—without internal resistance.

A flat supply battery is indicated if D1 does not light. You can ascertain that the battery under test is flat by measuring the direct voltage across its terminals. The load must be left connected, of course, otherwise the emf is measured and this may well be 1.5 V—even if the battery is flat.

The tester is calibrated with the aid of the auxiliary circuit (shown at the extreme right in the circuit diagram). The 1.5-V supply and electrolytic capacitor form a virtually ideal voltage source, of which the 3.9-Ω resistor forms the internal resistance. With this source connected across the output terminals of the tester, a suitable value should be ascertained for R7. That value is found when the ac voltmeter shows 0.39 V. Notice that this procedure is not the same for all measuring instruments: the alternate use of the digital and a moving coil meter, for instance, is not feasible.

The tester is intended for 1.5-V batteries. The load current is fairly high: about 100 mA through R8 and around 170 mA through T1. For 9-V batteries that current is too high: the current should then be reduced by taking greater values for R6 through R8.

## BATTERY-SAVING DISCONNECT SWITCH



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Fig. 14-2

At a predetermined level of declining terminal voltage, the circuit disconnects the battery from the load and halts potentially destructive battery discharge. Q1, a high-side, floating-source MOSFET, acts as the switch. The overall circuit draws about 500  $\mu$ A when the switch is closed and about 8  $\mu$ A when it's open.

The values of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  set the upper and lower voltage thresholds,  $V_U$  and  $V_L$ , according to the relationships

$$R_1 = R_2 \left( \frac{V_L}{1.15} \right) - 1$$

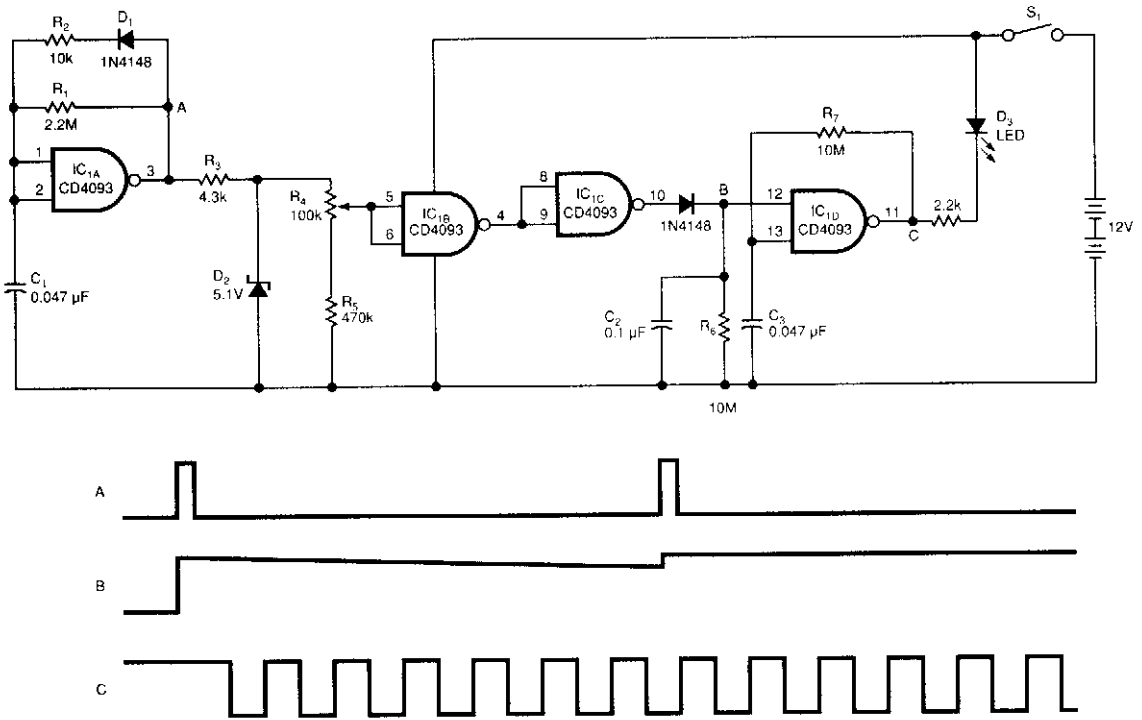
and

$$R_3 = 1.15 \left( \frac{R_1}{V_U - V_L} \right)$$

For the circuit to start,  $V_+$  must exceed  $V_U$ . The voltage detector IC1 then powers IC2, but only while  $V_+$  remains above  $V_L$ . Otherwise, IC2 loses its power, removes gate drive from Q1, and turns it off. IC2 is a dual charge-pump inverter that normally converts 5 V to  $\pm 10$  V. Capacitors C1, C2, and the two associated diodes form a voltage tripler that generates a gate drive for Q1 that is approximately equal to two times the battery voltage.

With the values in the schematic, the circuit disconnects 3-cell Nicad battery from its load when  $V_+$  reaches a  $V_L$  of 3.1 V. Approximately 0.5 V of hysteresis prevents the switch from turning on immediately when the circuit removes the load;  $V_+$  must first return to  $V_U$ , which is 3.6 V. The gate drive declines as the battery voltage declines, cause the ON-resistance of Q1 to reach a maximum of approximately 0.1  $\Omega$ , just before  $V_+$  reaches its 3.1-V threshold. A 300-mA load current at that time will cause a 30-mV drop across the disconnect switch. The drop will be 2 to 3 mV less for higher battery voltages. Resistor R4 ensures that Q1 can adequately turn off by providing a discharge path for C2.

## LOW-BATTERY DETECTOR



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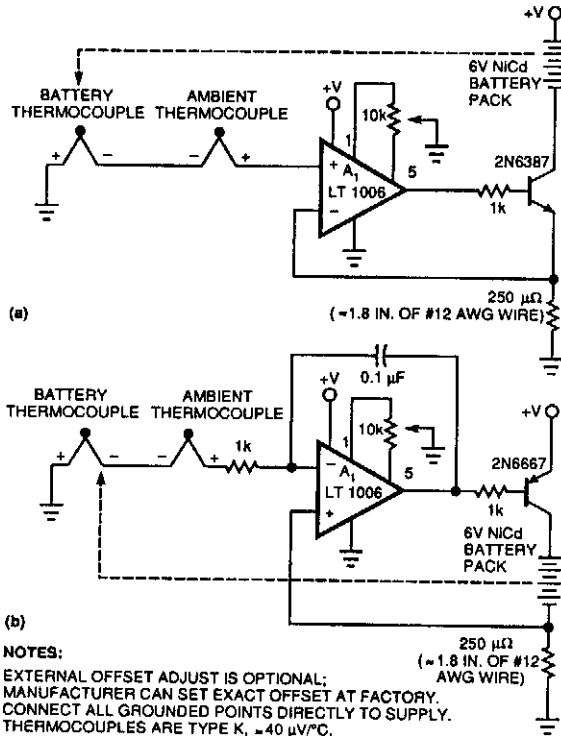
Fig. 14-3

The battery low-voltage detector uses a CD4093 Schmitt trigger and a capacitor that acts as a 1-bit dynamic RAM. The circuit conserves power by using a periodic test method. IC1A, C1, R1, R2, and D1 generate a narrow, positive pulse at point A.

D2, R4, and R5 regulate and divide the signal at A. Thus, the input of IC1B is independent of the power supply. Because the threshold voltage of the Schmitt trigger depends on the power supply, the threshold voltage will drop if the power-supply voltage drops. When the threshold voltage is lower than the input voltage, IC1B will become low, and IC1C's output will become high.

Capacitor C2 stores the results of the periodic test. The time constant C2 and R6 set is 1 s, and the test period is approximately 0.1 s. When point B is high, which implies that the battery is low, IC1D, C3, and R7 generate a square waveform, which lights D3. You can adjust the detected voltage level by adjusting R4. You can test different battery voltages by changing the voltage level of D2.

## BATTERY-TEMPERATURE SENSING NICAD CHARGER

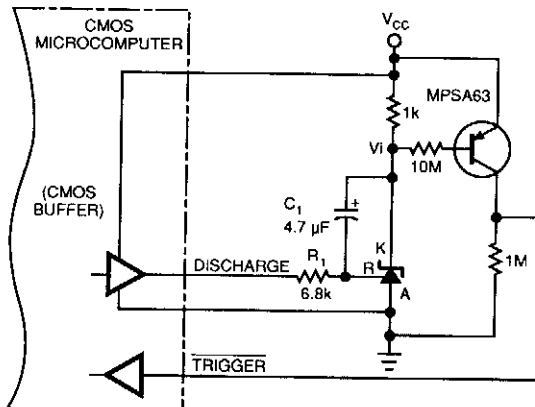


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Fig. 14-4

Two simple circuits permit Nicad charging of a battery based on temperature differences between the battery pack and the ambient temperature. This method has the advantage of allowing fast charging because the circuit senses the temperature rise that occurs after charging is complete and the battery under charge is producing heat, not accumulating charge.

## BATTERY-VOLTAGE MEASURING REGULATOR

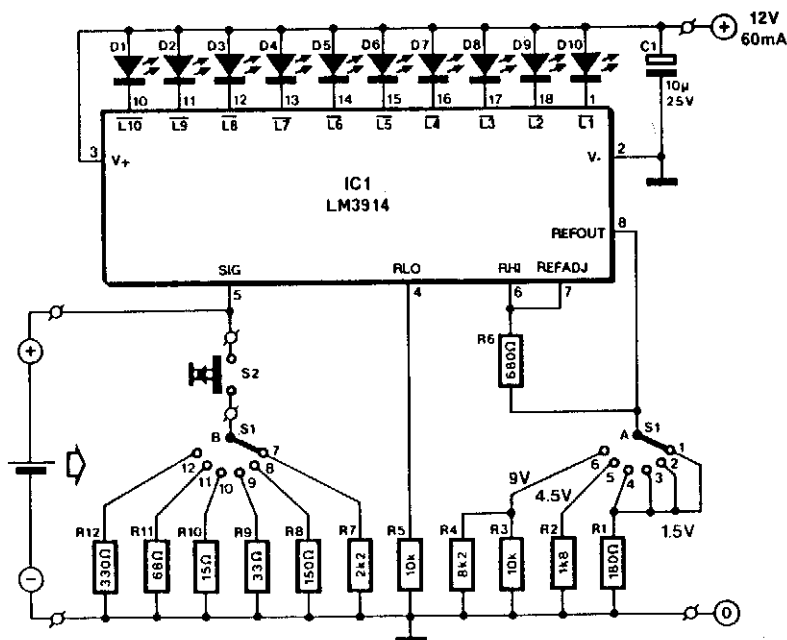


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Fig. 14-5

This circuit allows a microprocessor system to measure its own battery voltage. A Texas Instrument TI431 precision shunt regulator acts as a precision reference and integrator/amplifier, measuring its own supply via voltage-dependent charge/discharge time intervals. Notice that you must write a short control and voltage calculation software routine for your system.

## BATTERY TESTER



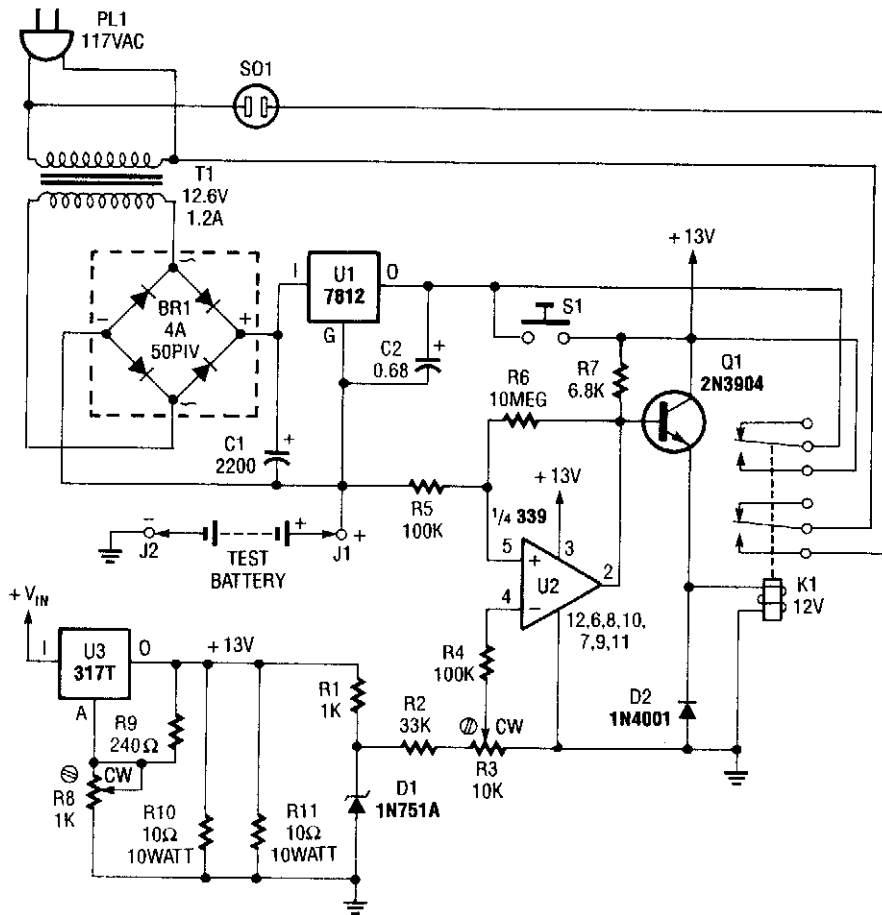
| Range | LED  |        |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-------|------|--------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|       | D1   | D2     | D3   | D4    | D5   | D6   | D7   | D8   | D9   | D10  |
|       | red  | orange |      | green |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 1.5 V | 0.86 | 0.96   | 1.04 | 1.13  | 1.21 | 1.29 | 1.38 | 1.46 | 1.55 | 1.63 |
| 4.5 V | 2.58 | 2.83   | 3.05 | 3.31  | 3.57 | 3.82 | 4.07 | 4.33 | 4.57 | 4.82 |
| 9.0 V | 5.3  | 5.8    | 6.3  | 6.9   | 7.4  | 7.9  | 8.5  | 9.0  | 9.5  | 10.2 |

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Fig. 14-6

This battery tester makes use of an LM3914 bar-graph driver IC. S1 selects load on battery under test and programs the voltage range. S2 loads the battery under test. The table gives the calibration factors for the tester. LEDs D1 through D10 are used as indicators.

## NICAD BATTERY TESTER

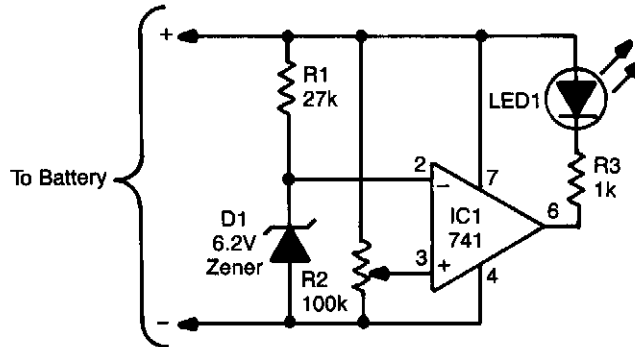


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Fig. 14-7

This Nicad battery tester discharges the test battery at a rate of 500 mA. When the endpoint of 1 V (determined by setting of R3) is resolved, pin 2 of U2 becomes low, deactivating Q1 and disconnecting the test battery from the circuit. Power for U3 comes from the 12-V regulator in series with the battery being tested. A clock or timer can be plugged into S1 to indicate the time it takes to discharge the battery under test.

## LOW-BATTERY INDICATOR



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Fig. 14-8

The sensing circuit consists of a 741 op amp set up as a voltage comparator, using a zener diode as a voltage reference. The op amp is inserted as a bridge between two resistance ladders, one which contains the zener reference, and the other a high-value linear potentiometer. When the voltage at the wiper of the potentiometer drops below the voltage set by the zener, the output of the op amp becomes low; that turns on the LED connected between it and  $V_{CC}$ . The circuit can be adapted to work with battery-powered circuits that require between 6 and 18 V; the only changes needed would be a lower-voltage zener and a smaller current-limiting resistor in the case of voltage below 9 V, and a larger resistor for higher voltages.

## VOLTAGE-LEVEL INDICATOR

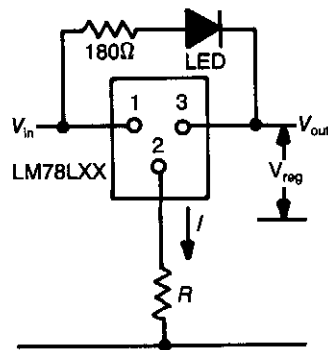


Fig. 14-9(a)

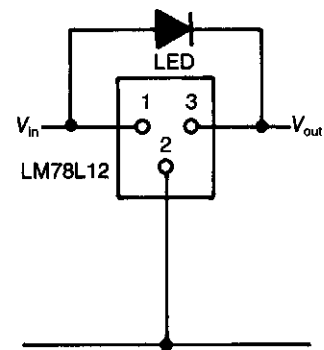


Fig. 14-9(b)

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Three-terminal regulator device (LM78LXX) has  $V_{out} = V_{in}$  until the input rises 1.5 to 2 V above the output when the regulated voltage  $V_{reg} = XX$  is obtained. A differential of 1.5 V between input and output is necessary to light the LED. Thus, the LED lights when  $V_{in}$  rises above  $V_{reg} + IR + 1.5$  V, where  $I$  is typically 6 mA (a zener diode could be used in place of  $R$ ). For input voltages much higher than necessary to light the LED, a current-limiting resistor in series might be necessary. A useful automotive application is shown in Fig. 14-9(b). The circuit indicates when battery voltage is above 13.5 V which indicates (in conjunction with an ammeter) whether the alternator/regulator/battery system is operating correctly. With the engine off, the battery voltage drops to 12 V and the LED extinguishes. The circuit requires no calibration.

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## Bridge Circuits

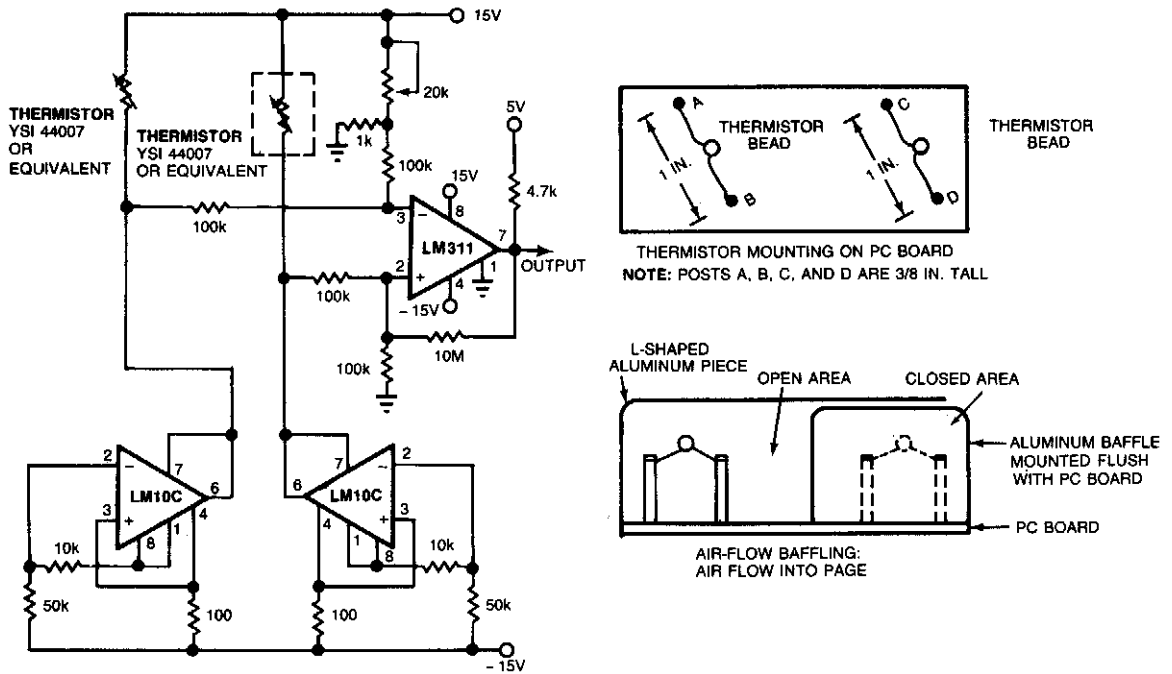
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 663. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Air-Flow Sensing Thermistor Bridge  
Bridge Circuit With One Power Supply  
Inductance Bridge



## AIR-FLOW SENSING THERMISTOR BRIDGE



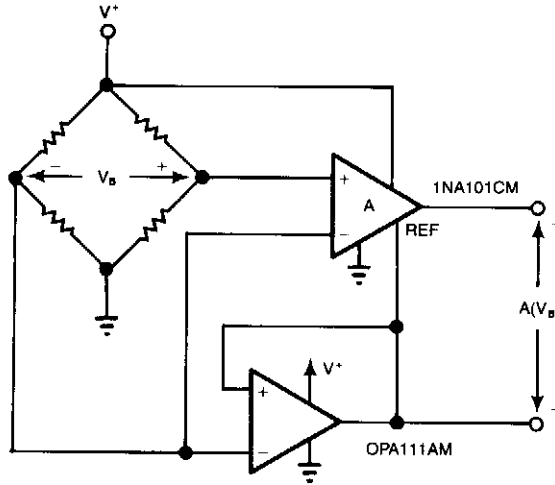
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**Fig. 15-1**

Using the thermistor-bridge circuit, you can detect system-cooling air losses caused by filter or inlet blockage or fan failure. One thermistor is mounted directly in the air flow; the other is baffled. The exposed thermistor senses the temperature in the cooling system; the baffled thermistor senses the ambient temperature in still air. As long as the thermistors are at different temperatures, the bridge stays unbalanced and the circuit produces a logical high, indicating that the cooling system is working. If the air flow stops, the exposed thermistor will reach ambient temperature, the bridge will become balanced, and the circuit will indicate ventilation-system failure by producing a logical low.

The bridge circuit's matched thermistors are biased by matched-current sources. Two LM10C operational amplifiers act as constant-current sources, and an LM311 comparator senses the difference between the voltage drops across the thermistors, producing the logical high when the bridge is unbalanced and the logical low when the bridge is balanced. Use a 20-k $\Omega$  potentiometer to set the comparator's threshold; this setting determines the minimum air flow that will cause the circuit to produce a logical high.

## BRIDGE CIRCUIT WITH ONE POWER SUPPLY



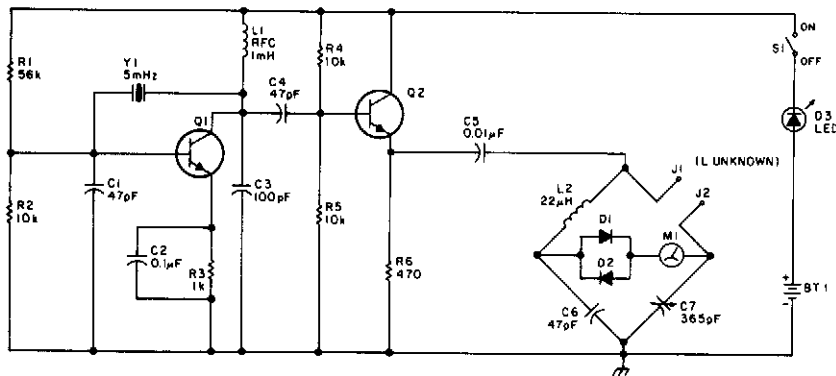
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Fig. 15-2

For systems with only one power supply, two op amps act as instrumentation and buffer amps. The OPA111AM buffers the reference mode of the bridge and applies that voltage to the instrumentation amps REF terminal. Output is taken between the amplifier outputs to exclude the fixed output offset.

The additional op amp creates a bridge error of  $I_B \times R/2$ , where  $I_B$  = bias current of op amp and  $R$  is the resistance of one leg of the bridge.

## INDUCTANCE BRIDGE



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Fig. 15-3

This bridge will measure inductances from about 1 to 30  $\mu\text{H}$  at a test frequency of 5 mHz. A 365-pF AM-type tuning capacitor is used as a variable element. The circuit should be constructed in a metal enclosure. Calibration can be done on known inductors or by plotting a curve of the capacitance of the 365-pF capacitor versus rotation and calculating the inductance from this. The range of measurement can be changed by using a different frequency crystal and/or variation of  $L_2$  and  $C_6$ .

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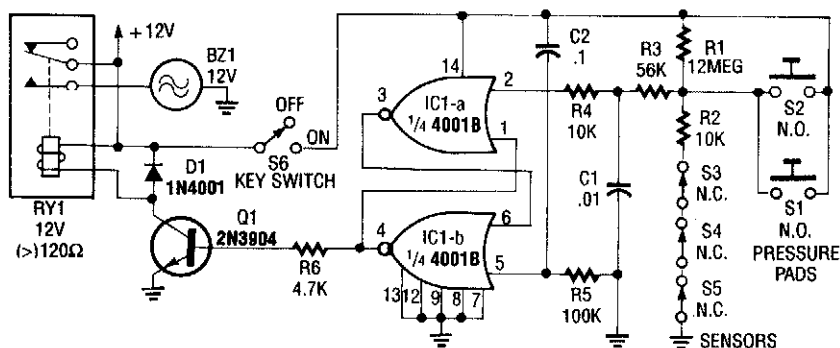
## Burglar Alarms

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Self-Latching Burglar Alarm  
Burglar Alarm With Timed Shutoff  
Simple Burglar Alarm  
Simple Burglar Alarm  
Home Security System  
Simple Burglar Alarm With NC Switches  
Burglar Alarm with NC And NO Switches

## SELF-LATCHING BURGLAR ALARM



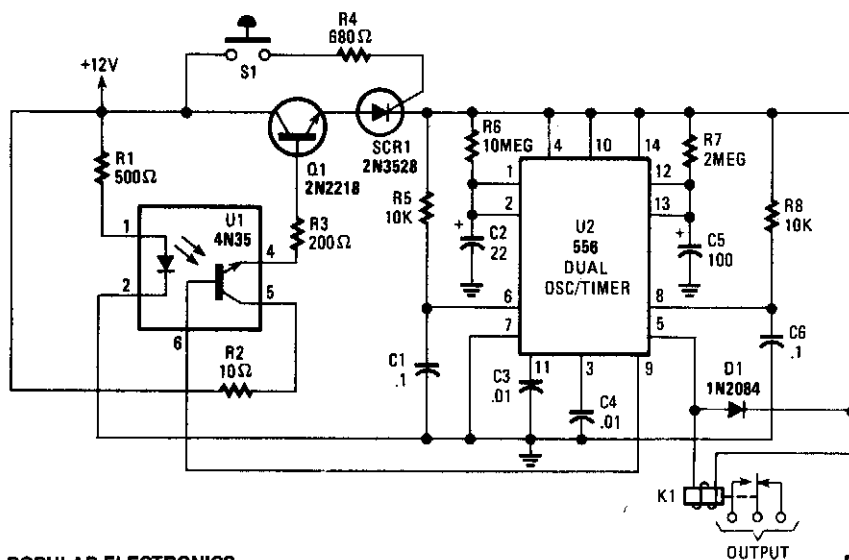
A SIMPLE SELF-LATCHING BURGLAR ALARM.

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Fig. 16-1

This alarm uses IC1A and IC1B as a latch. When sensors S1 through S5 activate, IC1A turns on and forces IC1B to cut off. Q1 drives RY1.

## BURGLAR ALARM WITH TIMED SHUTOFF



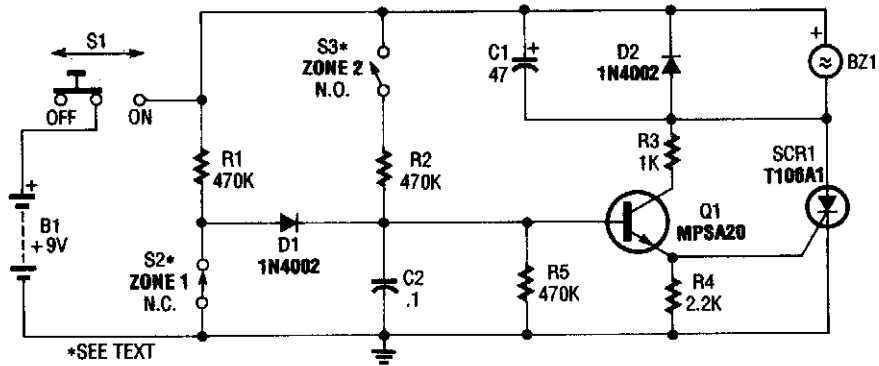
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 16-2

When S1 (sensor) is closed, power is applied to U2, a dual timer. After a time determined by C2, C1 is energized after a predetermined time determined by the value of C5, pin 9 of U2 becomes low, switching off the transistor in the optoisolator, cutting anode current of SCR1 and de-energizing K1. The system is now reset. Notice that  $(R_6 \times C_2)$  is less than  $(R_7 \times C_5)$ . The ON time is approximately given by:

$$(R_7 \times C_5) - (R_6 \times C_2) = t_{ON}$$

## SIMPLE BURGLAR ALARM

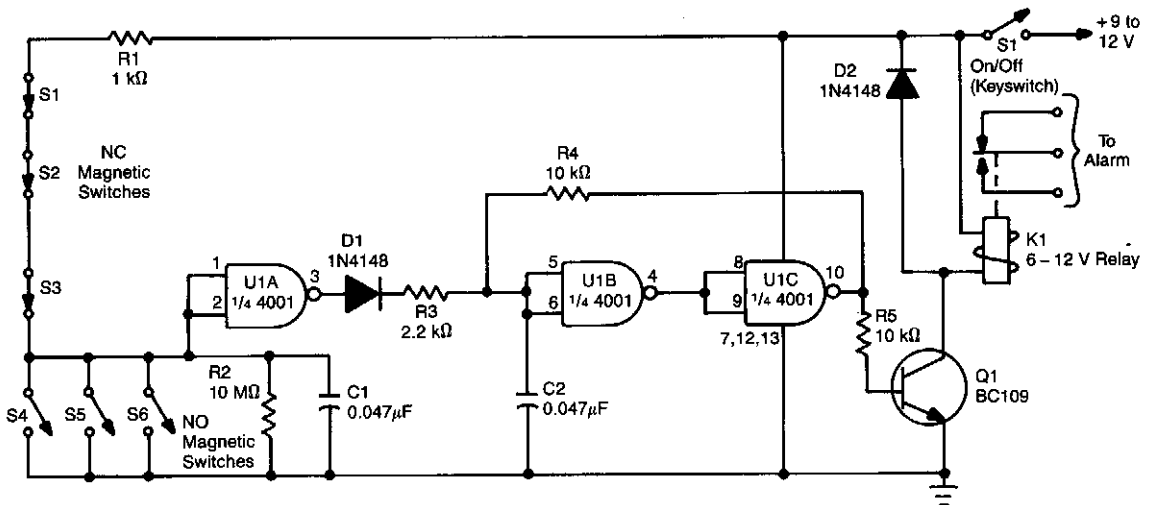


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Fig. 16-3

A simple circuit using either NO or NC sensors uses an RC delay circuit (R2/C2 or R1/C2) to drive emitter-follower Q1, switching SCR1 and buzzer (or bell) BZ1. S1 is used for activation and reset.

## SIMPLE BURGLAR ALARM

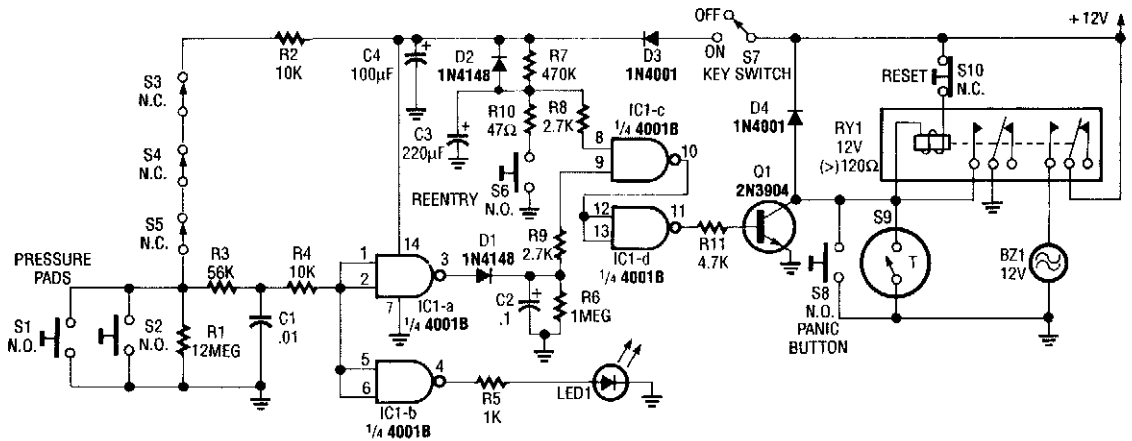


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 16-4

Using one IC and a driver transistor, this simple alarm uses either NO or NC sensors. When a sensor operates, the input to U1A goes low, causing U1A to go high, U1B low, and U1C high. This biases Q1 ON and activates relay K1. On/off is via keyswitch S1.

## HOME SECURITY SYSTEM

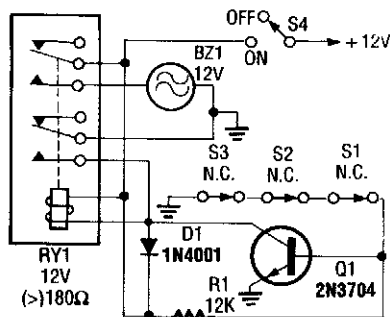


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 16-5

This alarm circuit activates when S1 through S5 are activated. This lights LED1 and activates Q1 via IC1C and IC1D. RY1 is wired to self latch. S10 is used to reset. When key switch S1 is activated or when re-entry buttons at S6 are depressed, IC1C is deactivated until RC network R7/C3 charges.

### SIMPLE BURGLAR ALARM WITH NC SWITCHES

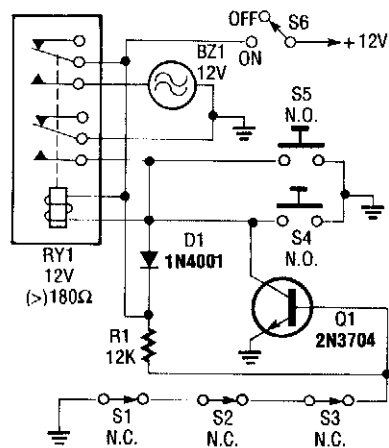


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 16-6

This relay draws 1 mA of idling current. Q1 detects open switch and energizes RY1.

### BURGLAR ALARM WITH NC AND NO SWITCHES



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 16-7

This circuit uses both NC and NO sensors. Series NC sensors allow Q1 to activate RY1. NO sensors directly activate RY1.

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## Buffers

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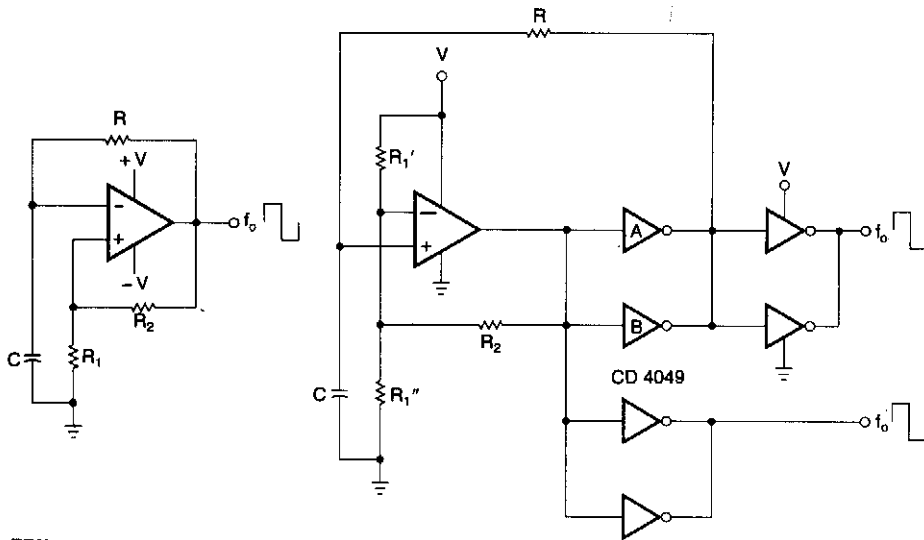
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Oscillator Buffers

Precision-Increasing Buffer

Inverting Bistable Buffer

## OSCILLATOR BUFFERS

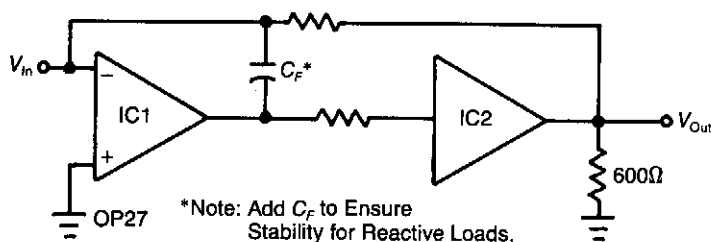


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Fig. 17-1

CMOS buffers added to an op amp oscillator improve performance, largely as a result of nonsymmetry and variability of the op amp's output saturation voltages.

## PRECISION-INCREASING BUFFER



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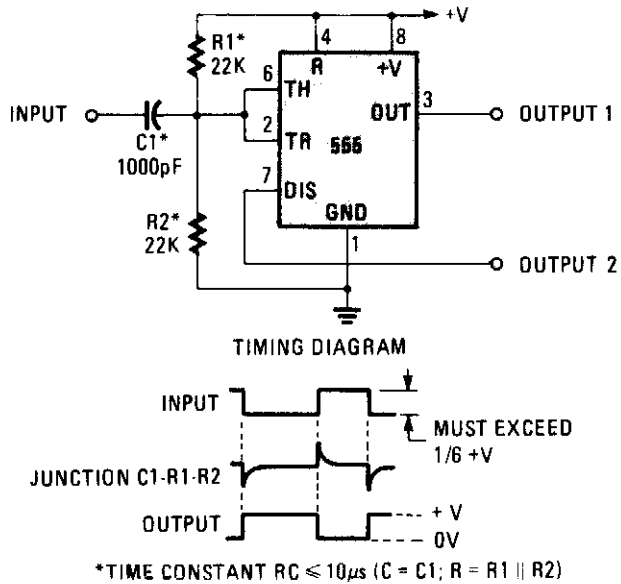
Fig. 17-2

Adding an unity-gain buffer to your analog circuit can increase its precision. For example, by itself, the op amp IC1 exhibits a maximum  $dV_{OS}/dT$  of  $1.8 \mu V/^\circ C$  and can drive a  $600\text{-}\Omega$  load. Under these conditions, IC1 would dissipate 94 mW incrementally. Thus, the op amp's  $O_{JA}$  of  $150^\circ C/W$  would change its  $V_{OS}$  by  $25 \mu V$ .

The buffer, IC2, will isolate IC1 from the load and eliminate the change in power dissipation in IC1, thereby achieving IC1's minimum, rated offset-voltage drive. The loop gain of IC1 essentially eliminates the offset of the buffer. Almost any unity-gain buffer will work, provided that it exhibits a 3-dB bandwidth that is at least 5 times the gain-bandwidth product of the op amp.



## INVERTING BISTABLE BUFFER



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 17-3*

This circuit uses a 555 timer as a flip-flop bistable buffer.

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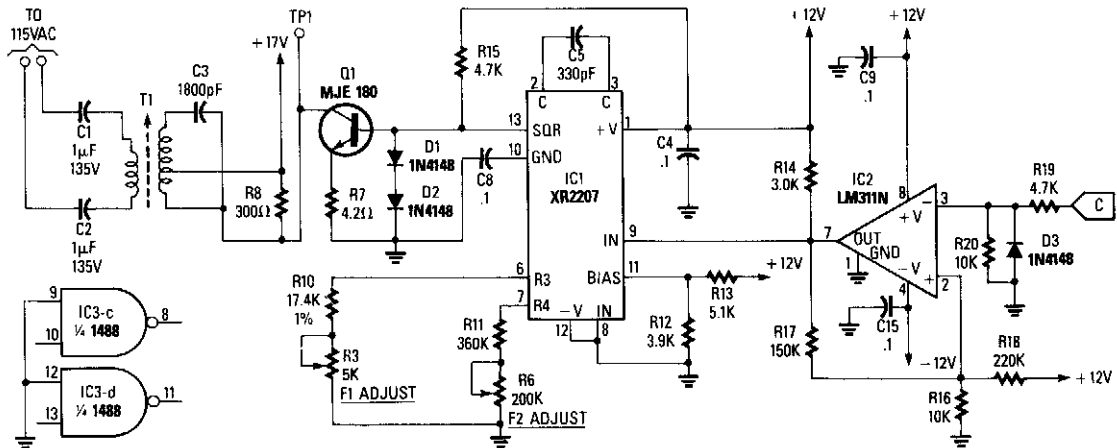
## Carrier-Current Circuits

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Carrier-Current Transmitter for Data Transmission  
Carrier-Current Receiver for Data Transmission

## CARRIER CURRENT TRANSMITTER FOR DATA TRANSMISSION



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 18-1

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{R_3 C_1}$$

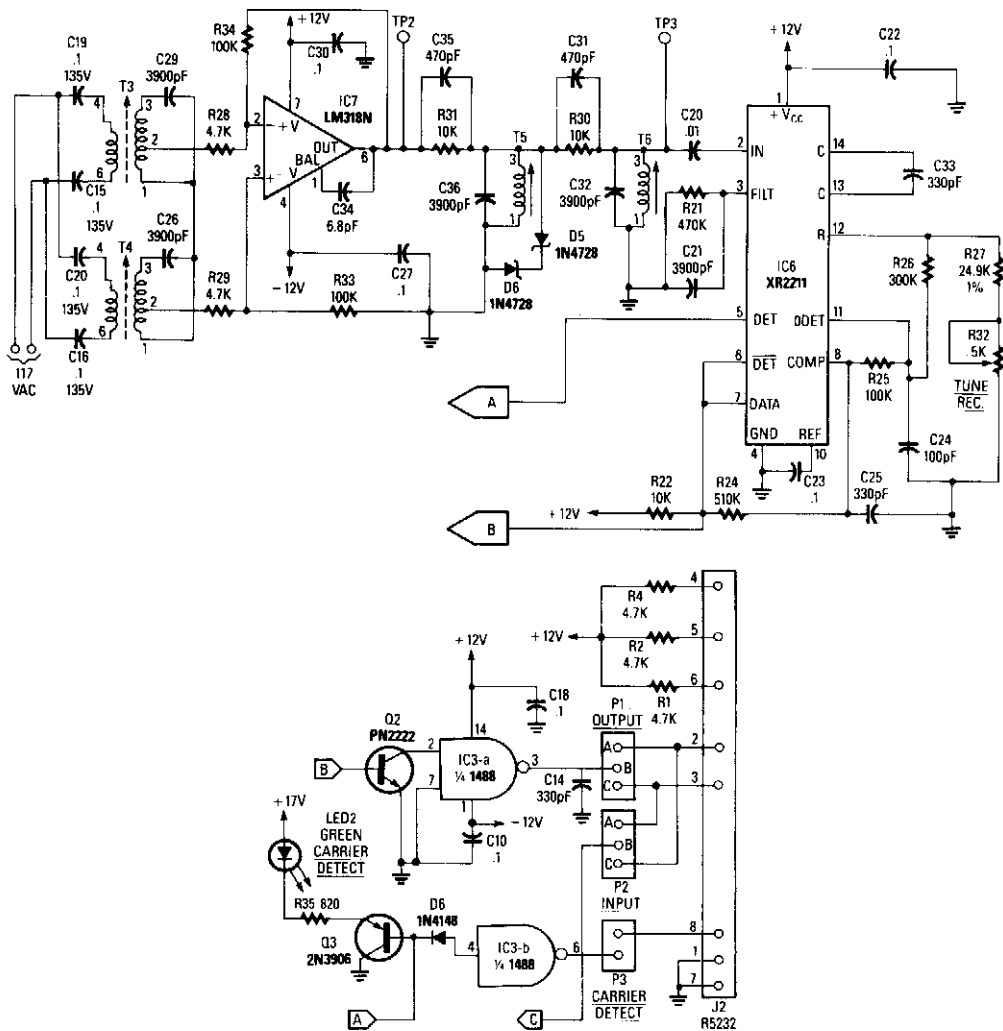
$$f_2 = f_1 + \Delta f_1$$

where:

$$\Delta f_1 = \frac{1}{R_4 C_1}$$

In this circuit, data at input C is amplified by IC2 and then fed to modulator IC1. IC1 generates two frequencies, depending on the values of  $C_5$ ,  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_{11}$ , and  $R_6$ . The frequency  $f_1$  is generated if pin 9 IC1 is low and  $f_2$  if pin 9 IC1 is high. A square wave appears at pin 13 of IC1 and is fed to Q1, an amplifier stage, that is coupled via tuned transformer T, to the ac line via C1 and C2. Notice that, for safety reasons, C1 and C2 must be specifically rated for the ac line voltage.

## CARRIER-CURRENT RECEIVER FOR DATA TRANSMISSION



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 18-2

$$\text{Receive frequency: } f_0 = \frac{1}{(R_{27} + R_{32}) C_{33}}$$

This receiver consists of an input network amplifier IC7 FSK PLL detector ICG, and output amplifier/interface Q2, Q3, IC3A and IC3B, a 1488 Quad RS232 line driver of the carrier-current signal. Tuned amplifier IC7 amplifies this signal and drives PLL detector IC8. The values shown in the circuit are suitable for operation in the 100-kHz range. Recovered data at pins 5, 6, 7 is fed to the output amplifier/interface circuit (Fig. 6). This circuit is also used with the carrier-current data transmitter to form a pair.

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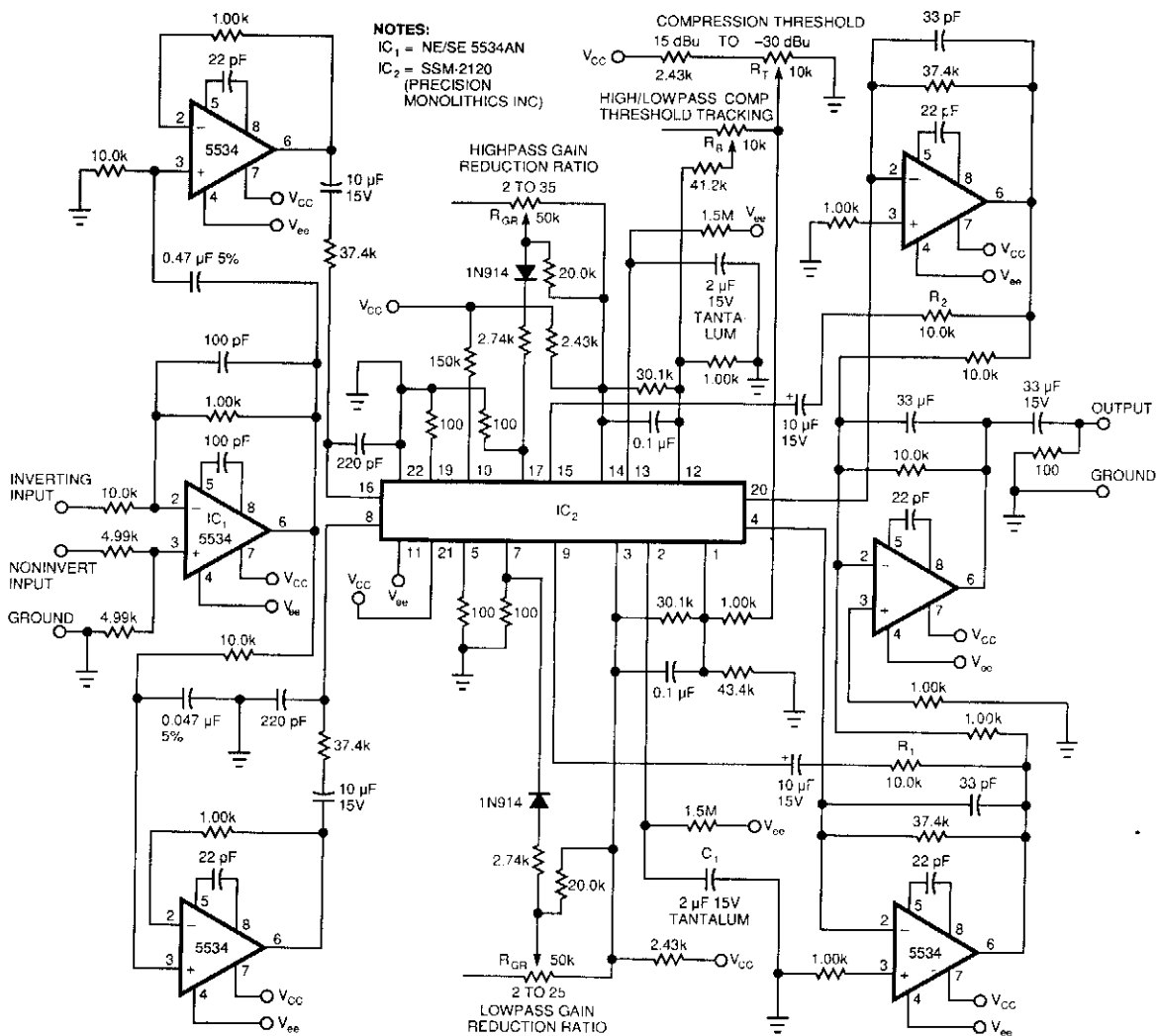
## Compressor/Expander Circuits

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Audio Compressor/Audio-Band Splitter  
Universal Comander

## AUDIO COMPRESSOR/AUDIO-BAND SPLITTER

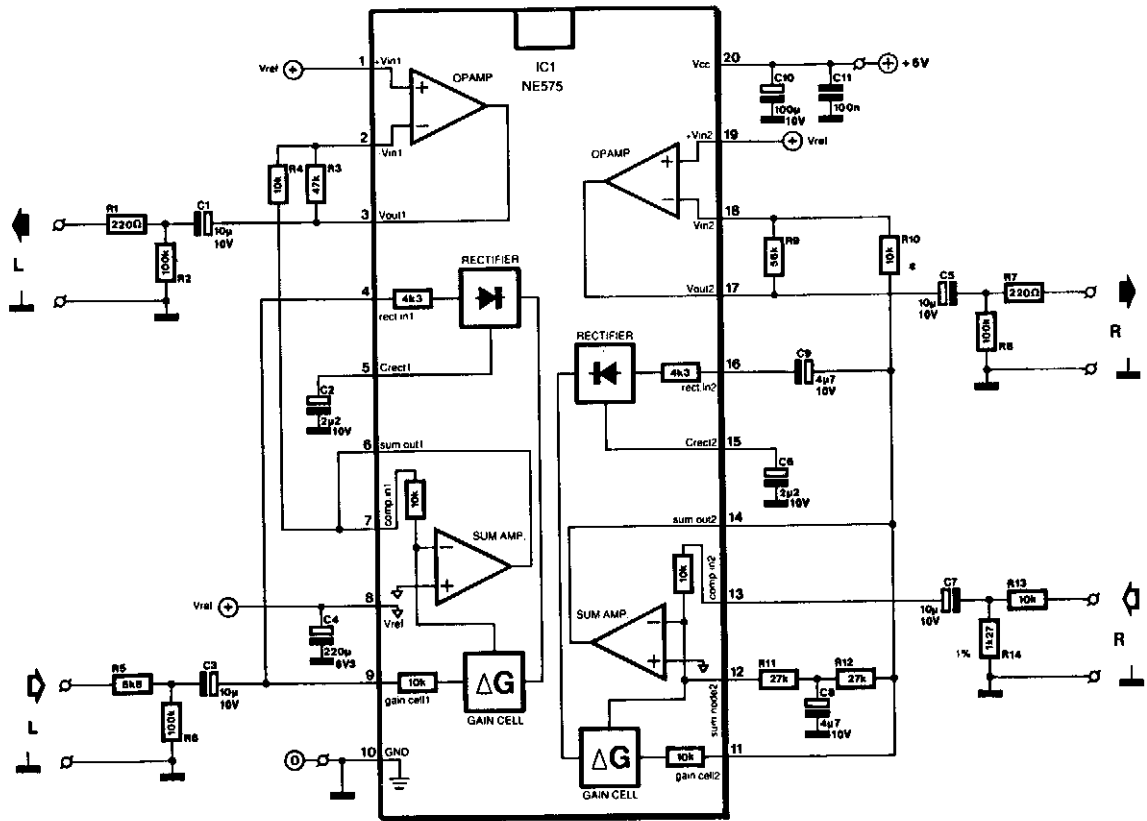


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Fig. 19-1

This 2-band compressor splits the audio into high and low frequencies and allows independent adjustment of each. Two active filters drive the two halves of dual voltage controlled amplifier/rectifier IC. Each section has a dynamic range greater than 100 dB. Compression gain slopes are adjustable from 2 to 25 for both audio bands.  $R_B$  adjusts the threshold amplitude between the two bands.  $R_{K1}$  and  $R_2/C_2$  control the compressor attack times (10 k $\Omega$  and 2  $\mu$ F, respectively), while the 1.5-M $\Omega$  resistor in the integrator circuit controls the release line.

## UNIVERSAL COMPANDER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

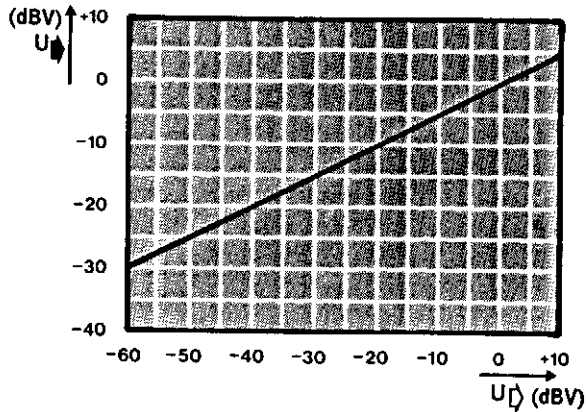
Fig. 19-2(a)

Signetics' type NE575 compander IC is intended primarily for use with battery power supplies of 3 to 7 V (max. 8 V). It draws a current of 3.5 mA at 3 V and 5 mA at 7 V. The compander process (compression at the input, expansion at the output) significantly improves the signal-to-noise ratio in a communications link.

The IC contains two almost identical circuits, of which one (pins 1 to 9) is arranged as an expander. The other (pins 11 to 19) can be used as expander, compressor or automatic load control (ALC), depending on the externally connected circuit. For the compressor function, the inverting output of the internal summing amplifier is brought out to pin 12. This is not the case in the expander section, where a reference voltage is available at pin 8. This pin is interlinked to pins 1 and 19 to enable the setting of the dc operating point of the op amps.

The op amp in the expander section, pins 1 through 3, serves as output buffer in the compressor section, pins 17 through 19 as the input buffer. The IC has a relatively high output sensitivity and is evidently intended for processing small signals (microphone output level). A signal of 100 mV, for instance, is amplified by 1 only. The present circuit caters to larger input signals (line level); its maximum input level is 1.5 Vrms.

## UNIVERSAL COMPANDER (Cont.)



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Fig. 19-2(b)

With a 1-V input into R13, a potential of about 500 mV exists between compressor output R7 and expander input R5. The compression characteristic is shown in Fig. 19-2(b). The signal range is reduced by about one half at the output, which is doubled in the expander. Thus, the range after compression and expansion is the same again, but that is not necessarily the case with the input and output level. The compander can be arranged to provide a constant attenuation or amplification. With the circuit values as shown in the diagram, the input and output levels are the same. The prototype had an overall gain of 0.5 dB when the expander input was connected directly to the compressor output.

To allow acceptance of high input levels, R13, R14, and the compressor input resistance form a 10:1 attenuator. At the expander input, R5 and the expander input impedance of about 3 k $\Omega$  form a potential divider. If the compander is to be used with smaller signals, the attenuation can be reduced as appropriate. If the input level lies below 100 mV, R5, R13 and R14 can be omitted.

The compander covers the frequency range of 20 Hz to 20 kHz, the overall distortion is less than 1%, and the signal-to-noise ratio is about 80 dB.



## 20

# Computer-Related Circuits

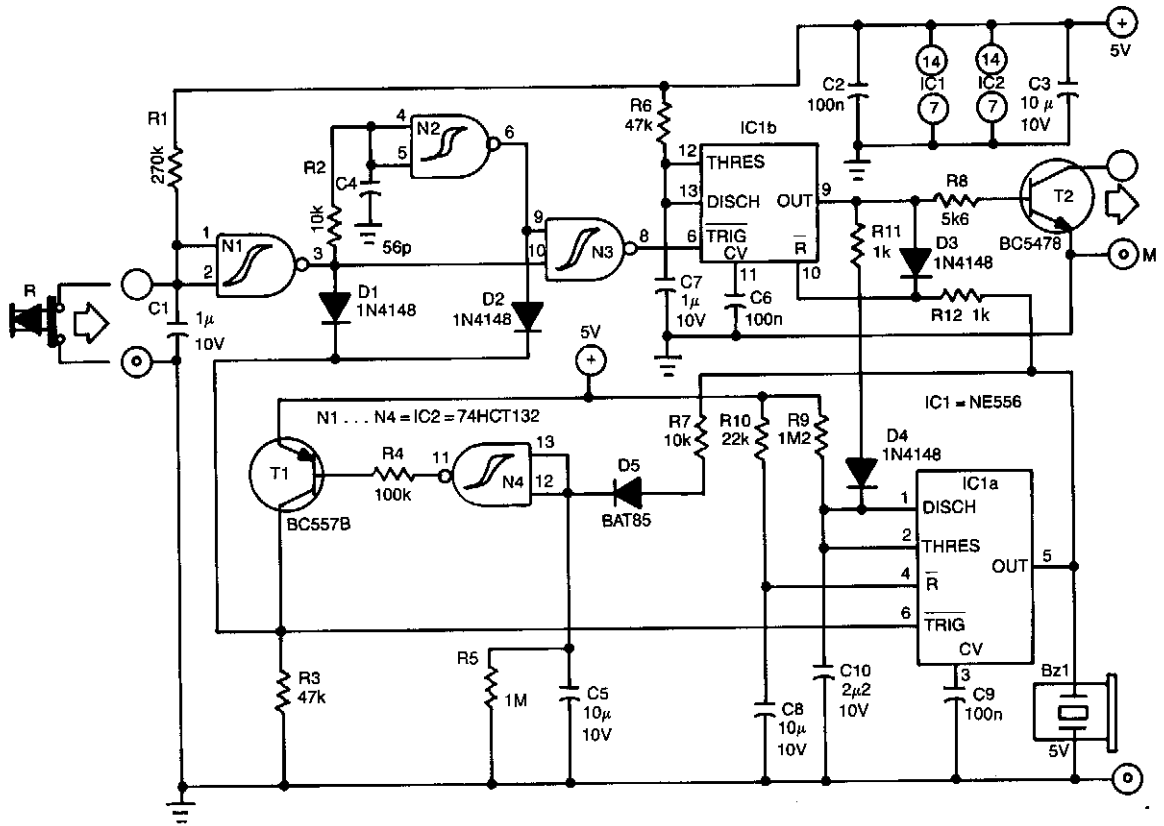
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 663. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

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|----------------------------------|--|
| Dual 8051s Execute In Lock-Step  | Switch Debouncer with Auto Repeat                        |
| Reset Protection for Computers   | Printer Error Alarm                                      |
| 3- $\mu$ P I/O Line Protectors   | Child-Proof Reset Switch                                 |
| Data Line Remote Short Sensor    | XOR Gate   |
| Z-80 Bus Monitor/Debugger        | Flip-Flop Debouncer Switch                               |
| RS-232 Line-Driven CMOS Circuits | Digital Levels Scope Displays 2 Logic Signals on 1 Scope |
| Bit Grabber                      | Deglitcher   |
| Switch Debouncer                 | Stalled-Output Detector                                  |



## RESET PROTECTION FOR COMPUTERS



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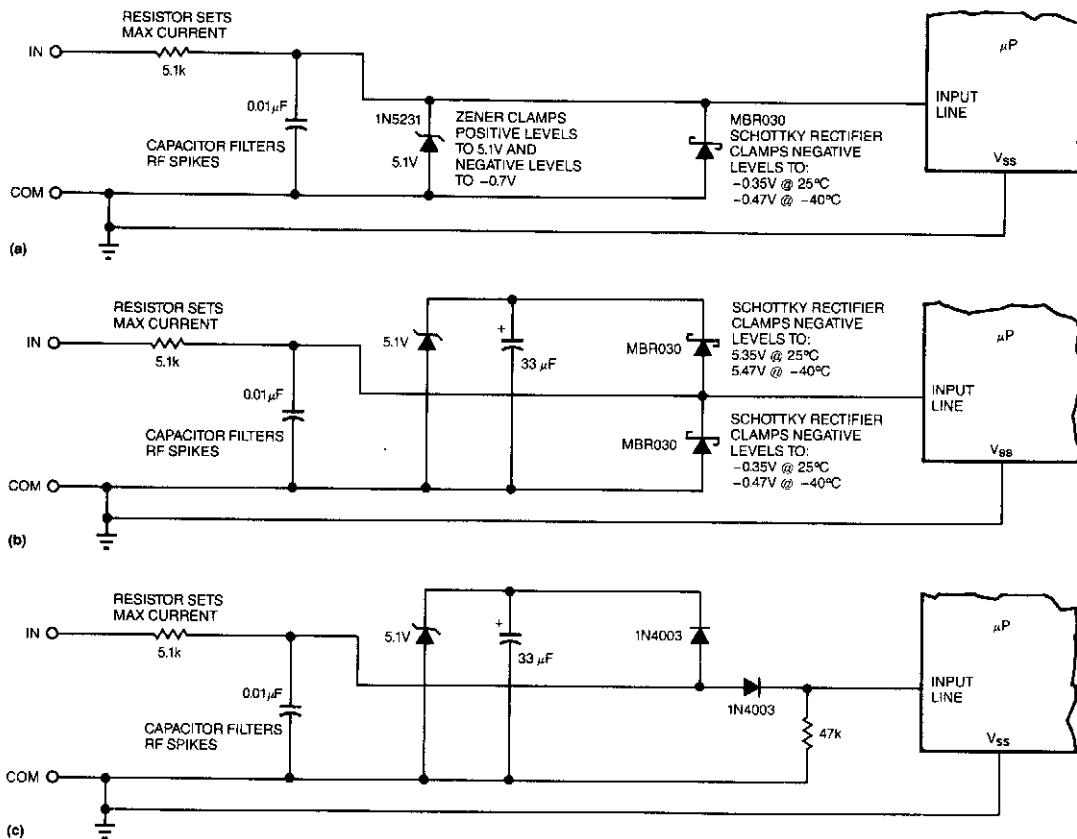
Fig. 20-2

This protection circuit is inserted between the reset switch and the motherboard. The earth connection of the computer must be linked to terminal M of the protection circuit. The protection circuit can draw its power from the computer supply.

When the circuit has been fitted, operation of the reset switch will not immediately restart the computer. Instead, a buzzer will sound to alert you to the reset operation. The buzzer is actuated for 4 s by monostable IC1A, which is triggered by the reset switch. During these 4 s, the output, pin 5, of IC1A ensures that the reset function, pin 10, of IC1B is disabled. When the reset switch is operated again, monostable IC1B will be triggered and this starts the reset procedure. Transistor T2 is then switched on for 0.5 s and the buzzer is deactivated via R11 and D4.

The circuit around T1 and N4 ensures that IC1A can accept trigger pulses again 10 s after the mono time of IC1B has lapsed. This arrangement prevents, for example, children operating the reset switch.

### 3 $\mu\text{P}$ I/O LINE PROTECTORS



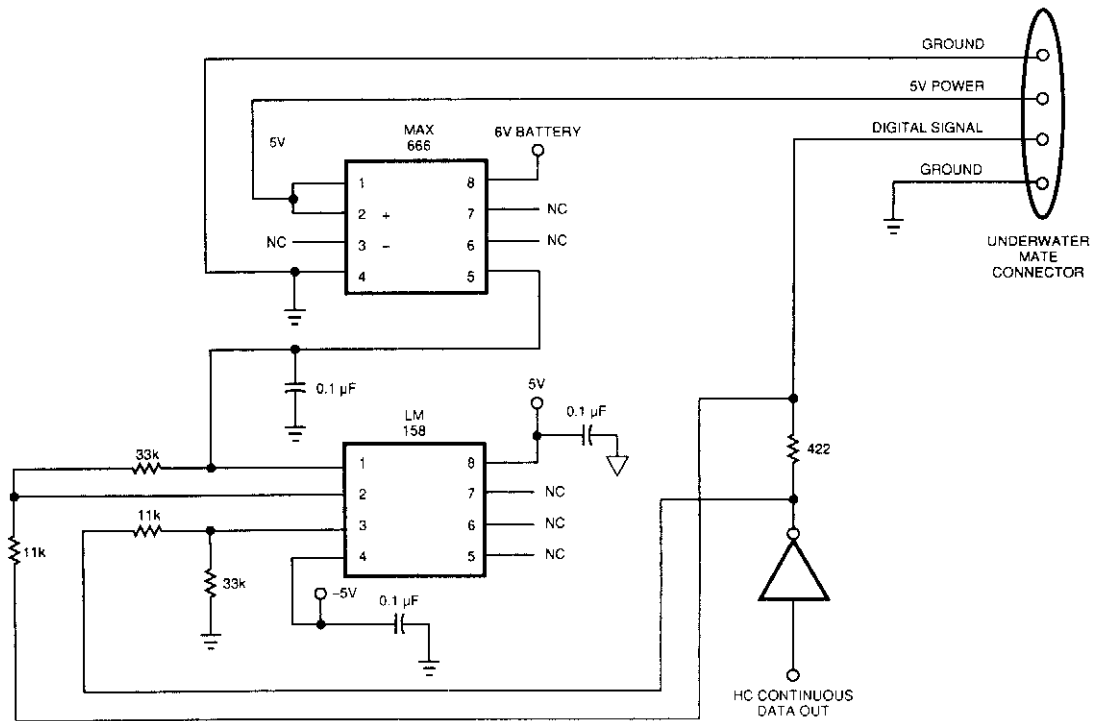
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Fig. 20-3

In Fig. 20-3(a), a 5.1-V zener diode clamps positive-going transients, and a Schottky rectifier clamps negative-going transients. The Schottky rectifier has problems at both ends of the temperature scale. At 125°C (257°F), its leakage current can reach 50  $\mu\text{A}$  when the input line is at 5 V. This leakage is not a big deal unless the input resistor has a value of 100 k $\Omega$  or more. More troubling, at temperatures below -40°C (-40°F), the Schottky rectifier's forward voltage rises to about 0.47 V, which is perilously close to the -0.50-V max spec that most HCMOS-type  $\mu\text{P}$ 's inputs can tolerate.

The third circuit, Fig. 20-3(c), uses two regular silicon rectifiers. One rectifier is connected in series with the input line, thereby isolating the  $\mu\text{P}$ 's inputs from negative-going voltage spikes. The other rectifier is in series with a 5.1-V zener, which clamps positive-going transients.

## DATA LINE REMOTE SHORT SENSOR



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Fig. 20-4

Sensing short circuits in equipment that performs under water is especially critical, but Fig. 20-4's wet-mate connector design also suits other remote short-circuit sensing applications. Because of the limits imposed by the battery and voltage levels, the circuit uses the data line to sense short circuits.

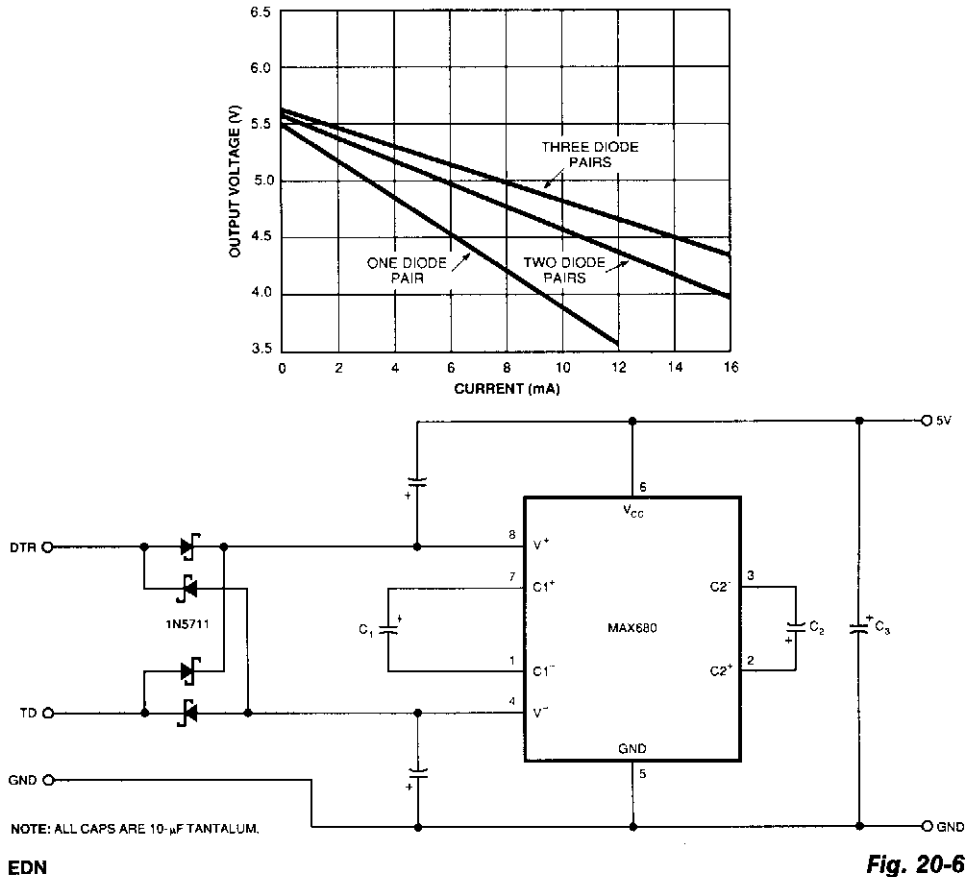
The differential voltage that develops across the 422-Ω resistor in the data line drives a low-bandwidth op amp, which amplifies and filters the differential signal. The resistor values produce a gain of 3. The op amp's output controls the voltage regulator's shutdown pin.

To operate correctly, the circuit must have a continuous stream of digital data. Under normal conditions, and using high-speed CMOS logic, the data source sinks less than 10 μA. This normal operation generates about -3 mV across the sense resistor. The op amp's output will be slightly negative, producing a solid ON signal to the voltage-regulator chip. When a short occurs, the resistor and op amp together produce an average of 2.4 Vdc. This voltage provides a solid OFF to the voltage-regulator chip.

The peak signal-line current is about 12 mA (5-V data divided by 422 Ω), which HCMOS logic can handle. The addition of the resistor and op amp only changes the rise time to about 40 ns and doesn't cause any problems with the 2.5-MHz data rate. When the short is no longer present, the voltage regulator chip turns on again. You can use the same circuit with any TTL on/off-type voltage-regulator IC.



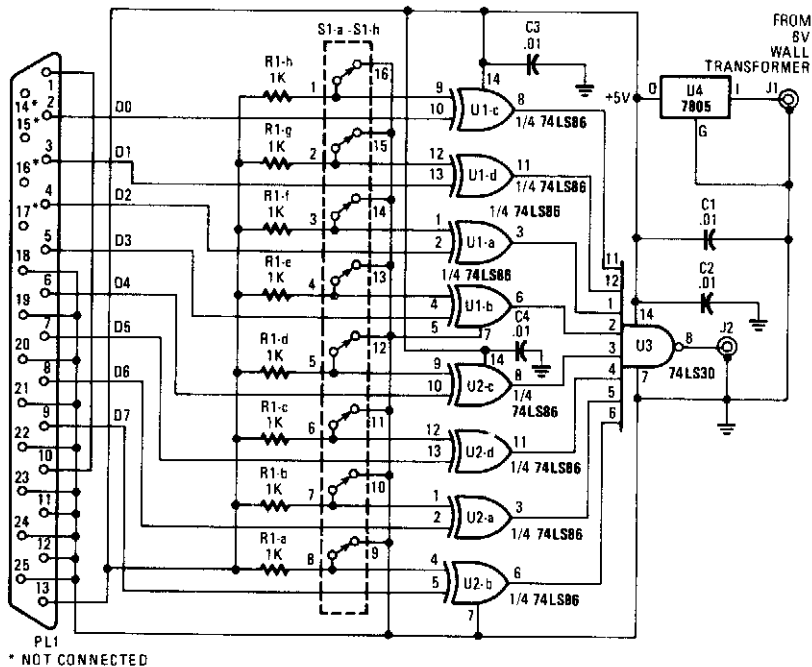
## RS-232C LINE-DRIVEN CMOS CIRCUITS



The circuit illustrates a way to power CMOS ICs from RS-232C lines. The MAX680 is normally used to generate a voltage equal to  $\pm 2 \times V_{CC}$ . This circuit does exactly the opposite. It takes in  $\pm 10.5$  to  $\pm 12$  V on the DTR and TD lines and puts out a 5.25- to 6-V signal. A pair of Schottky or silicon diodes rectifies each RS-232C line. The resultant energy is stored by the capacitors attached to the IC's V+ and V- pins. C1 or both C1 and C2 then reverse-charge pump the energy stored at the V+ and V- pins to C3. The input source current of the MAX680 is approximately equal to the voltage drop of any one of the diodes that is divided by the series resistance of 160  $\Omega$ . When you drive this circuit from a 1488 driver with a  $\pm 12$ -V supply, it can deliver 5 V at 3 mA.

To increase the output current, you can use as many as three sets of diodes on each RS-242 line to provide 5 V at 8 mA. The more diodes you use, the lower the source resistance:  $R_S$  equals the inversion of the sum of the diodes' conductances. If your circuit requires even more output current, you can place two MAX680s in parallel, tie their V+ and V- capacitors together, and use separate C1 and C2 capacitors for each ship. If you do connect the devices in parallel, make sure not to exceed the power capability of the RS-232C lines.

## BIT GRABBER

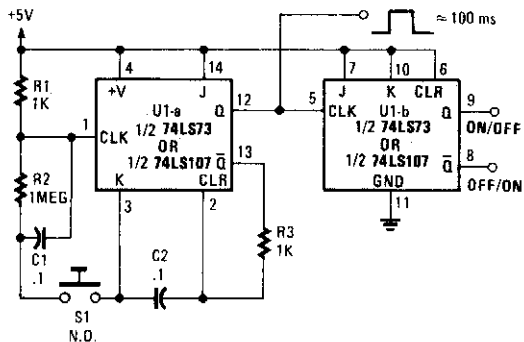


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Fig. 20-7

When the user set character ( $D_0$  through  $D_7$ ) from a computer matches the character programmed on  $S1A$  through  $S1H$ , the output from  $J2$  becomes low. This device can be used as a test aid to check printer cable or as a control circuit for interfacing with a computer.

## SWITCH DEBOUNCER



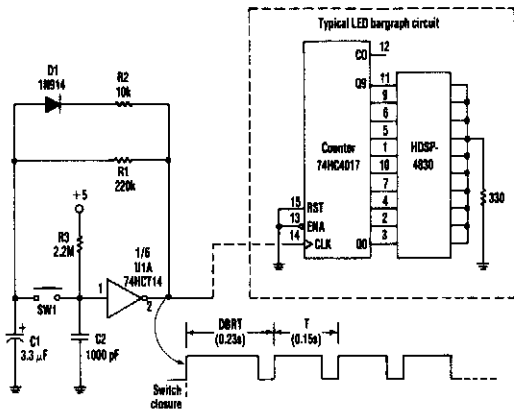
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Fig. 20-8

Using a 7473 JK flip-flop  $U1A$  connected as a monostable to drive  $U1B$ , as a switch debouncer. The circuit is self-clearing during power up. A 100-ms pulse is available at pin 12  $U1A$ .



## SWITCH DEBOUNCER WITH AUTO REPEAT



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Fig. 20-9

This circuit produces an output pulse when SW1 (pushbutton) is depressed. It also becomes a hysteresis gate oscillator. D1 and R2 add asymmetry. The DBRT (*delay before repeat time*) is caused by the oscillator start-up conditions: C1 has to change from zero to the upper gate threshold rather than to the lower threshold.

The auto repeat time:

$$t = \frac{(R_1 + R_2)(C_1 + C_2)(\text{Gate Hysteresis})}{V_{\text{SUPPLY}}}$$

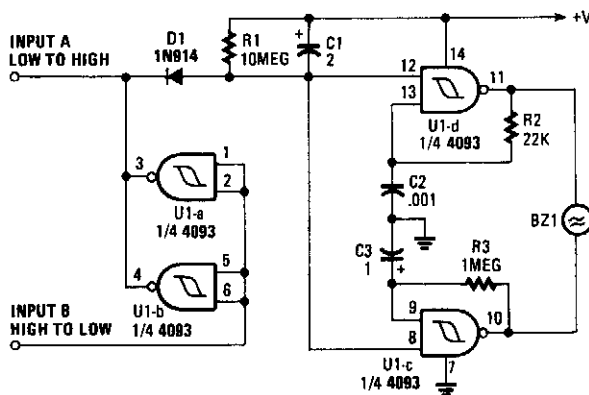
Gate hysteresis  $\approx 1$  V for 74HCT14 gate

DBRT = 0.7T (upper gate threshold hysteresis)

Upper gate threshold  $\approx 2.3$  V for HCT14

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &\ll R_3 \\ R_2 &\ll R_1 \end{aligned}$$

## PRINTER ERROR ALARM

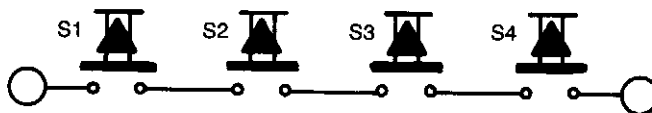


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Fig. 20-10

When a printer is shut down, this alarm sounds an alarm. The input can be either a high-to-low or low-to-high transition. This can be a logic level that corresponds with the printer being on or off. The oscillator produces an interrupted (on-off) tone.

## CHILD-PROOF RESET SWITCH



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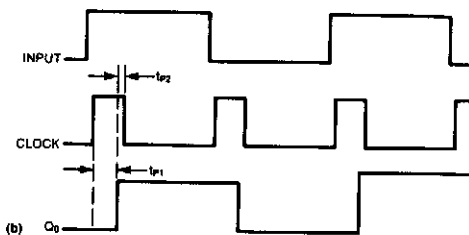
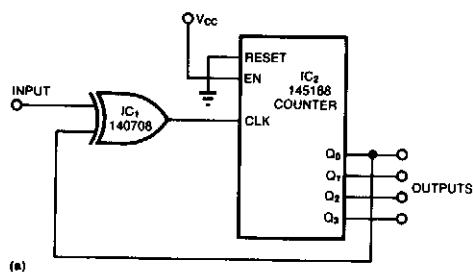
Fig. 20-11

The reset switch on a computer is very important. If an operating instruction threatens to wreck the internal management of a computer, the reset button is often the only way of avoiding a possible disaster. On the other hand, it also could cause a disaster.

It is particularly important that children or pets cannot inadvertently operate the control. The circuit proposed here should put an end to your worries in this respect. Instead of one reset switch, it is necessary to press four switches simultaneously. The chances of this happening via accident, child, or pet are negligible.

The four switches are placed in positions that make it impossible to operate them all with one hand. Instead, two of them can be operated with the fingers of one hand and the other two with the fingers on the other hand. As shown, the four switches are connected in series and are intended to replace the existing switch.

## XOR GATE



Inverting the negative-going input transactions allows the counter to count both positive- and negative-going edges. The XOR gate transforms the input signal into a series of short pulses whose width is equal to the sum of the counter and gate propagation delays.

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Fig. 20-12

## FLIP-FLOP DEBOUNCER SWITCH

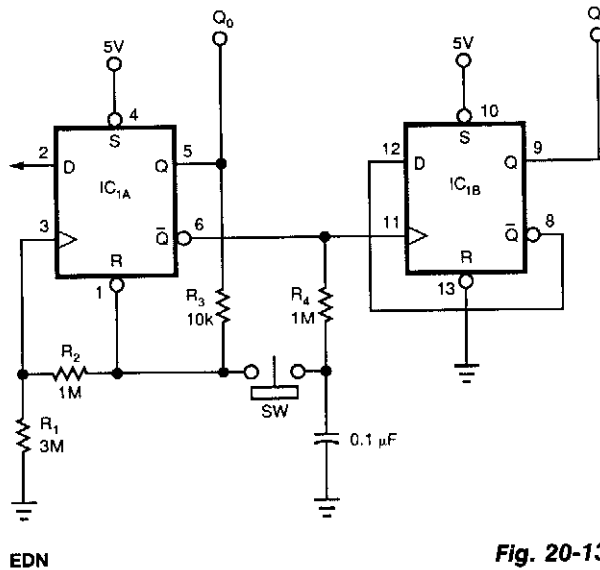
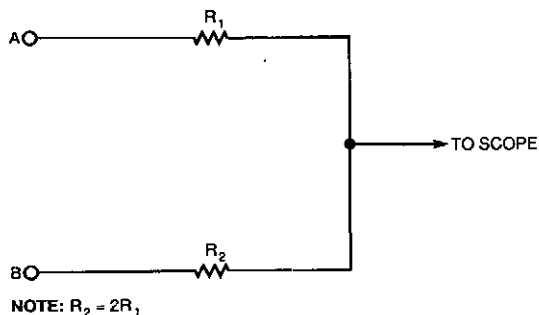


Fig. 20-13

Although this circuit uses a 74HC74, any CMOS variant of this flip-flop will work. IC1A acts as a true/complement buffer. R1 and R2 ensure that IC1A comes out of reset before the clock's edge occurs. R3 applies IC1A's logic state to pins 1 and 3. When the switch closes, the next logic state stored on the capacitor transfers to the flip-flop's reset and clock inputs. Releasing the switch lets the capacitor charge to the next state via R4. IC1A's output is the LSB; IC1B's output is the MSB.

Notice that the counter's state advances when the switch is first pressed, rather than when it's released; the latter is the case with many other switch-debouncing schemes. You can replace R1 with a 22-pF capacitor to reduce the circuit's sensitivity to parasitic effects. The addition of this capacitor also lets you lower the magnitude of R2 and R3 by a factor of 10.

## DIGITAL LEVELS SCOPE DISPLAYS 2 LOGIC SIGNALS ON 1 SCOPE



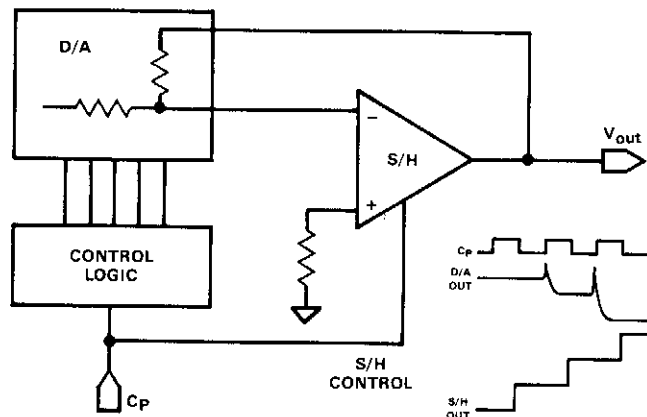
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Fig. 20-14

Using this simple resistor circuit, you can trick your oscilloscope into displaying two logic signals on one channel. If you select  $R_2$  to be twice  $R_1$ , the scope trace will show one of four distinct analog levels for each possible combination of the states of inputs A and B.

Of course, the voltage levels that your oscilloscope sees depends heavily on the current-sourcing capability of your digital logic. Because you must use high resistances, this technique has a limited frequency range.

## DEGLITCHER



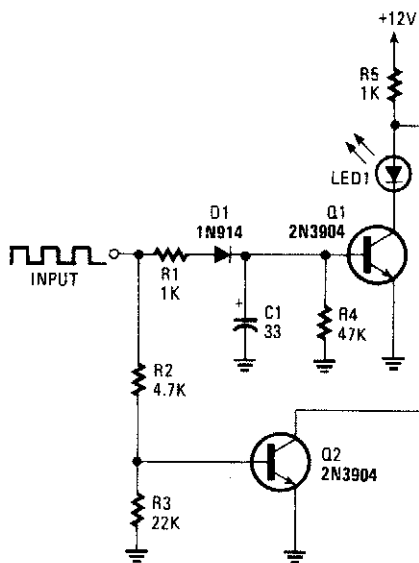
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Fig. 20-15

*Glitch* has been a universal slang expression among electronics people for an unwanted transient condition. In D/A converters, the word has achieved semiofficial status for an output transient, which occurs when the digital input addressed is changed. The sample/hold amplifier does double duty, serving as a buffer amplifier as well as a glitch remover, delaying the output by  $1/2$ -clock cycle.

The sample/hold can be used to remove many other types of glitches in a system. If a delayed sample pulse is required, it can be generated using a dual monostable multivibrator IC.

## STALLED-OUTPUT DETECTOR



This circuit can be used to detect a stuck output or node in a circuit, or a loss of data or pulses. The pulse train charges C1 and biases Q1 on, which lights the LED. If the input remains high, Q2 extinguishes the LED.

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Fig. 20-16

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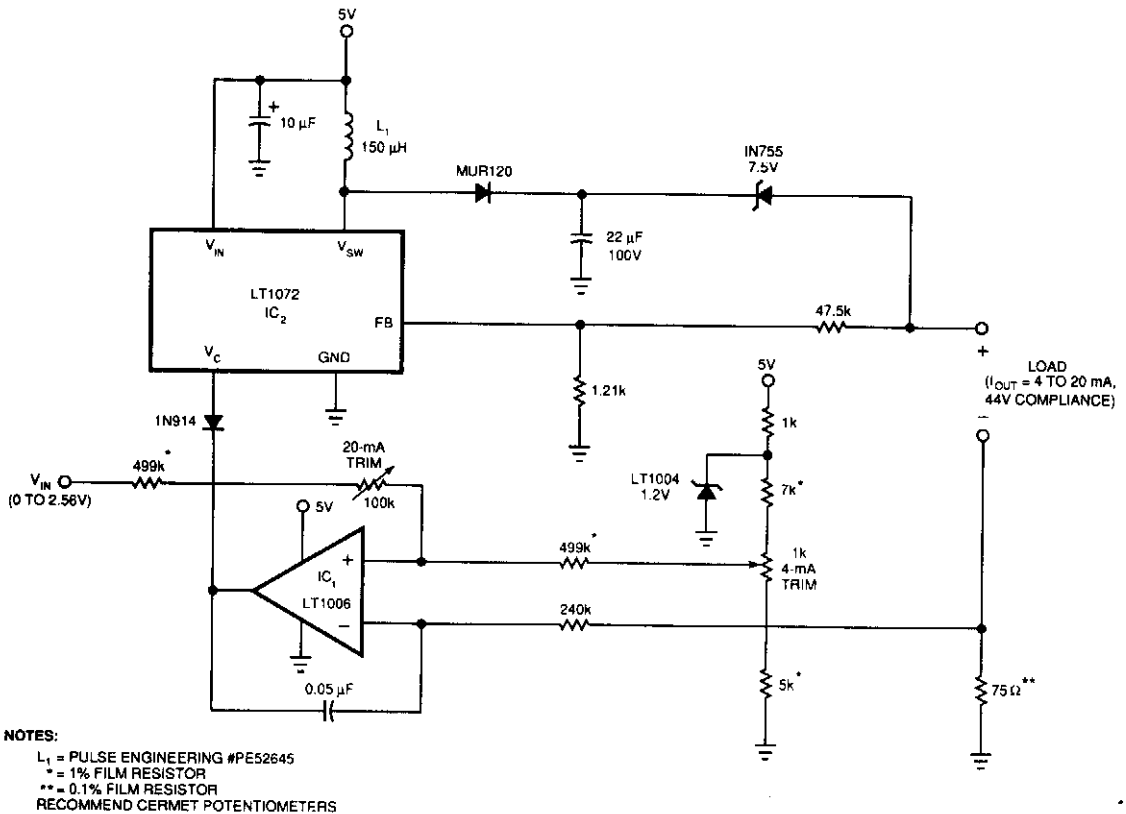
## Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 664. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

4-to-20-mA Current Loop  
Power-Saving Intermittent Converter  
Current-to-Frequency Counter  
Sawtooth Converter  
Period-to-Voltage Converter  
Rectangular/Triangular Waveform Converter  
 $\mu$ P-Controlled Negative Voltage Converter  
dc/dc Converter  
Voltage-to-Current Converter  
1-to-5-V dc/dc Converter  
9-to-5-V Converter  
+3-V Battery to +5-V dc/dc Converter  
Sine-Wave/Square-Wave Converter  
Precision Full-Wave ac/dc Converter

## 4-TO-20-mA CURRENT LOOP



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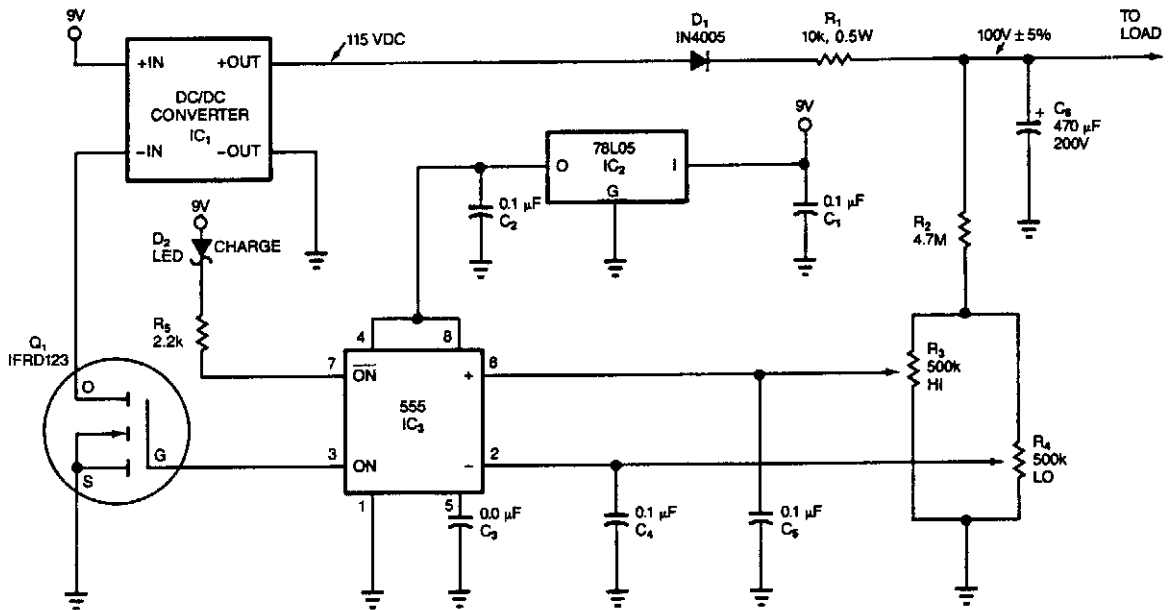
Fig. 21-1

This 5-V circuit utilizes a servo-controlled dc/dc converter to generate the compliance voltage necessary for loop-current requirements. This circuit will drive 4 to 20 mA into loads as high as 2 200  $\Omega$  with 44 V of compliance. It is inherently short-circuit protected. A current source by definition limits current regardless of the load.

The circuit's input voltage and the 4-mA trim network determine IC1's positive input voltage. IC1's output biases the LT1072 switching regulator's  $V_C$  pin. The resistors connected to the regulator's feedback pin, FB, prevent the circuit output from running away in the event that the load opens up.

Normally, IC1 controls the loop. However, if the load opens, IC1 receives no feedback. Under this condition, the FB pin becomes active when it equals 1.2 V and forces the loop to close locally around the regulator by activating IC2's internal amplifier. Thus, the circuit automatically changes from a current to a voltage regulator, thereby preventing excessive output voltages.

## POWER-SAVING INTERMITTENT CONVERTER



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Fig. 21-2

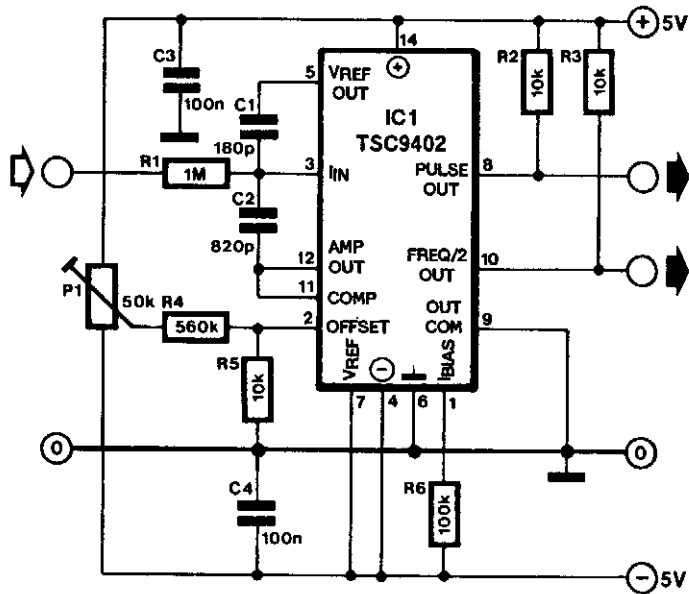
This circuit switches its dc/dc converter, IC1, off whenever the large filter capacitor, C6, has sufficient charge to power the load. This particular circuit uses a dc/dc converter that produces 115 Vdc from a 9-Vdc input; you can tailor the circuit to suit other converters. The heart of the circuit is a 555 timer configured as a dual-limit comparator. Thus, the 555 turns the converter on or off, depending on the voltage across C6. The 555's complementary output lights the charge LED when the FET is on.

Initially, the voltage on C6 is zero, and the 555's output turns on the FET, Q1, in turn, enabling the converter to run, which charges C6. When the voltage on the capacitor reaches the value set by R3, the 555 turns the converter off. Then, C6 slowly discharges into the combined load of the voltage divider (R2, R3, and R4) and the reverse-biased blocking diode, D1.

When the voltage falls below  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$ , the 555 restarts the dc/dc converter. If this circuit powers a load that periodically goes into a zero-power, shutdown mode, the 555 switches the dc/dc converter on full time whenever the load kicks in.

When the supply voltage falls below 7.5 V, the output of the converter is no longer high enough to charge, the LED doesn't light. The circuit uses 205 mA when the converter is on and 10 mA when the converter is off. The duty cycle comprises a 5-s ON period, a 150-s OFF period, and it represents a 92% power reduction. You can further reduce power consumption by removing the charge LED and using a CMOS 555 and a CMOS 78L05 regulator.

## CURRENT-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER



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Fig. 21-3

Teledyne Semiconductor's Type TSC9402 IC is eminently suitable as an inexpensive current-to-frequency converter. The maximum input current of the design shown in the diagram is  $10\ \mu\text{A}$  (input voltage range is  $10\ \text{mV}$  to  $10\ \text{V}$ ), while the output frequency range extends from  $10\ \text{Hz}$  to  $10\ \text{kHz}$ . The conversion factor is exactly  $1\ \text{kHz}/\mu\text{A}$ . The factor can be altered by changing the value of  $R_1$ —as long as the maximum input current of  $10\ \mu\text{A}$  is not exceeded.

The circuit has two outputs. That at pin 8 is a short-duration pulse, whose rate is directly proportional to the input current; that at pin 10 is a square wave of half the frequency of the pulse at pin 8.

Calibrating the circuit is fairly simple. Connect a frequency meter to pin 8 (preferably one that can read tenths of a hertz) and connect a voltage of exactly  $10\ \text{mV}$  to the input (check with an accurate millivoltmeter). Adjust  $P_1$  to obtain an output of exactly  $10\ \text{Hz}$ . Next, connect a signal of exactly  $10\ \text{V}$  to the input and check that the output signal has a frequency of  $10\ \text{kHz}$ . If this frequency cannot be attained, shunt  $C_1$  with a small trimmer or replace  $R_1$  by a resistor of  $820\ \text{k}\Omega$  and a preset of  $250\ \text{k}\Omega$ .

The circuit may be adapted to individual requirements with the aid of:

$$f_{\text{out}} = I_{\text{in}} U_r (C_1 + 12\ \text{pF}) \quad [\text{Hz}]$$

The reference voltage,  $U_r$ , here is  $-5\ \text{V}$ .



## SAWTOOTH CONVERTER

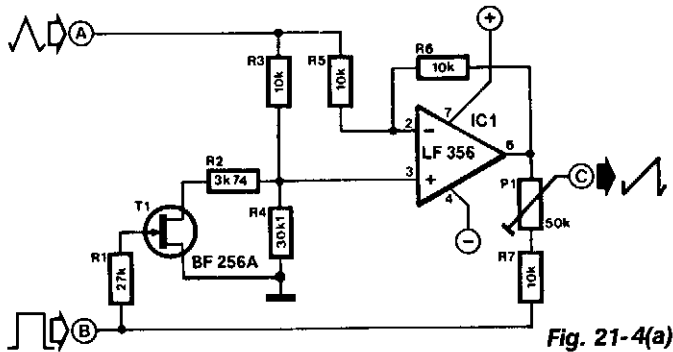


Fig. 21-4(a)

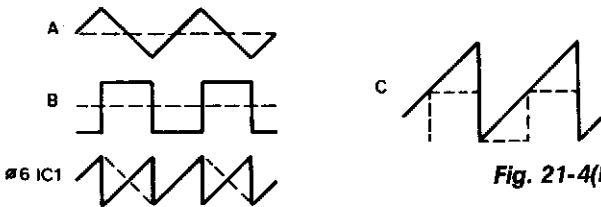


Fig. 21-4(b)

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Simple function generators normally provide sinusoidal, rectangular, and triangular waveforms, but seldom a sawtooth. The circuit in Fig. 21-4(a) derives a sawtooth signal from a rectangular and triangular signal. Its quality depends on the linearity of the triangular signal, the slope of the edges of the rectangular signal and the phase relationship between the rectangular and triangular signals.

The conversion is carried out in IC1. Whether the triangular signal at input A is converted or not by IC1 depends on the state of T1. This FET is controlled by the rectangular signal at input B.

The signal at the output of the op amp is a sawtooth (see Fig. 21-4(b)) whose trailing edge is inverted. The frequency of this signal is double that of the input signals.

If in this state, the dc level of each inverted edge is raised sufficiently to make the lower level of that edge coincide with the higher level of the preceding edge, a sawtooth signal of the same frequency (but double the peak value of the input signals) is obtained. The dc level is raised by adding input B to the output of IC1 via R7 and P1. The preset should preferably be a multiturn type. Resistors R2 and R4 are 1% types.

If a rectangular signal is not available, or if its peak value is too small, the auxiliary circuits (shown in Figs. 21-4(c) and 21-4(d)) will be found useful. Figure 21-4(c) amplifies the triangular input at A by 10. Differentiating network C1/R10 derives rectangular pulses from the amplified triangular signal and these are available at F.

The pulses at F are shaped by the circuit in Fig. 21-4(d) to rectangular signals that have the same peak value as the supply voltage. Capacitor C2 increases the slope of the edge; it can be omitted for low-frequency signals.

The converter provides sawtooth signals over the frequency range of 15 Hz to 15 kHz. If the auxiliary circuits are used, capacitor C1 must be compatible with the frequency of the sawtooth signal (its value lies between 2 nF and 100 pF). The supply for all circuits can be between  $\pm 10$  V and  $\pm 15$  V. Each op amp draws a current of 4 to 6 mA.

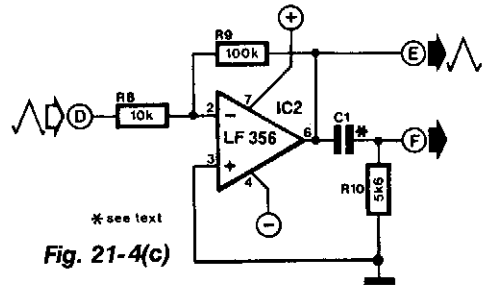


Fig. 21-4(c)

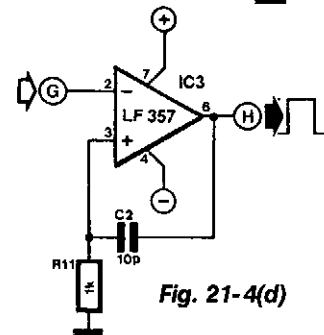
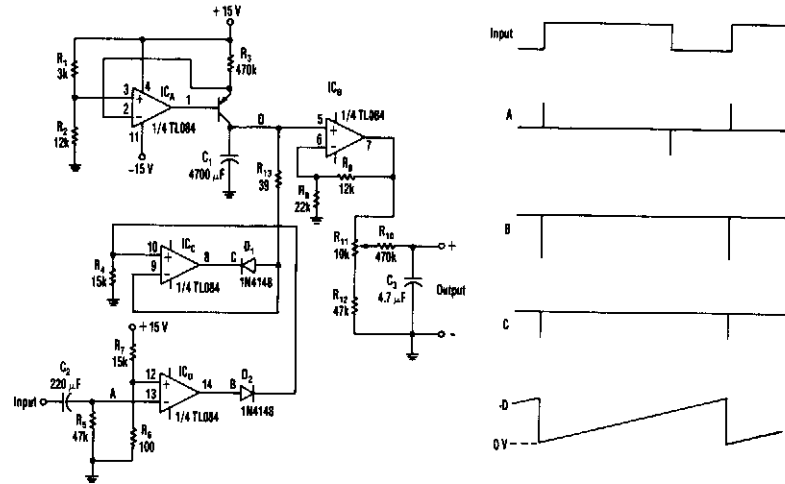


Fig. 21-4(d)

## PERIOD-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**Fig. 21-5**

ICA, R1, R2, R3, and Q1 form a current source. The current that charges C1 is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \frac{V_{Dn} \times R_1}{(R_1 + R_2) \times R_3} \\
 &= \frac{15 \times 3 \text{ k}\Omega}{(3 \text{ k}\Omega + 12 \text{ k}\Omega) \times 470 \text{ k}\Omega} \\
 &= 6.4 \mu\text{A}
 \end{aligned}$$

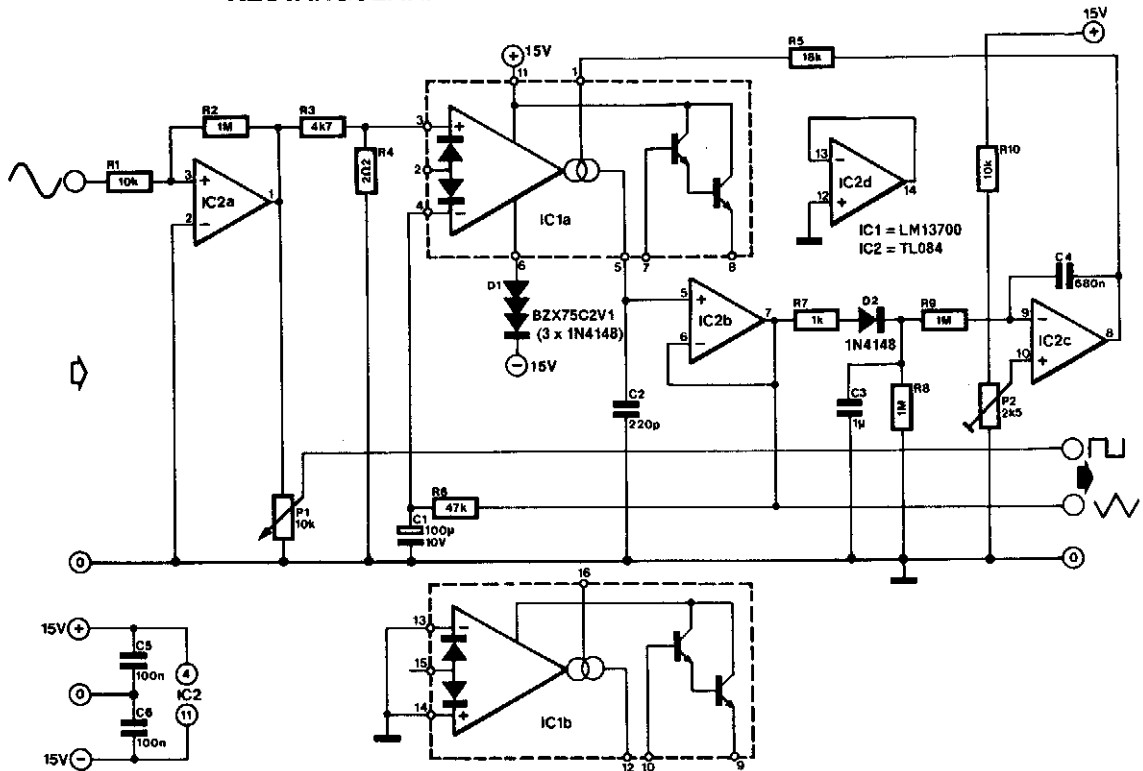
The input signal drives ICD. Because ICD's positive input ( $V_+$ ) is slightly offset to +0.1 V, its steady state output will be around +13 V. This voltage is sent to ICC through D2, setting ICC's output to +13 V. Therefore, point D is cut off by D1, and C1 is charged by the current source. Assuming the initial voltage on C1 is zero, the maximum voltage ( $V_{C_{\max}}$ ) is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{C_{\max}} &= \frac{I \times T}{C_1} \\
 &= \frac{6.4 \times t}{0.0047} \\
 &= 1362t
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $t = 1 \text{ ms}$ , then  $V_{C_{\max}} = 1.362 \text{ V}$ .

When the input goes from low to high, a narrow positive pulse is generated at point A. This pulse becomes -13 V at point B, which cuts off D2. ICC's  $V_+$  voltage becomes zero. The charge on C1 will be absorbed by ICC on in a short time. The time constant of C2 and R5 determines the discharge period—about 10  $\mu\text{s}$ . ICB is a buffer whose gain is equal to  $(R_8 + R_9) \div R_9 = 1.545$ . ICD's average voltage will be  $(1362t \times 1.545) \div 2 = 1052t$ . R10 and C3 smooth the sawtooth waveform to a dc output.

## RECTANGULAR/TRIANGULAR WAVEFORM CONVERTER



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Fig. 21-6

Many function generators are based on a rectangular waveform generator that consists of a Schmitt trigger and integrator. The triangular signal produced by the integrator is then used to form a sinusoidal signal with the aid of a diode network. The converter presented here works the other way around. It converts the output of a good-quality sine-wave oscillator into a rectangular and a triangular signal.

The sinusoidal signal is converted into a rectangular signal by IC2A. Because the output of this gate varies between  $-15\text{ V}$  and  $+15\text{ V}$ , it is reduced to a value that is suitable for integration by potential divider R3/R4. It is then integrated by transconductance amplifier IC1A and C2. The amplifier has a current output that is controlled by the current through pin 1. The output therefore behaves as a resistance, with which it is possible to influence the integration time.

The voltage across C2 is available in buffered form at the output of impedance inverter IC2B; this is the triangular signal. The amplitude of this signal is compared with a voltage set by P2 and the difference between these voltages, which is the output of IC2C, is applied to the current source at the output of IC1 via R5. This arrangement ensures that the level of the output voltage is virtually independent of the frequency of the rectangular signal or of the sinusoidal input.

One problem with a precision integration is its being affected by offset voltages and bias currents. Feedback loop R6/C1 ensures that the output follows the potential across R4 accurately. However, tiny deviations might be caused by the bias current in circuit IC1, which is not greater than  $8\ \mu\text{A}$  at  $70^\circ\text{C}$ .

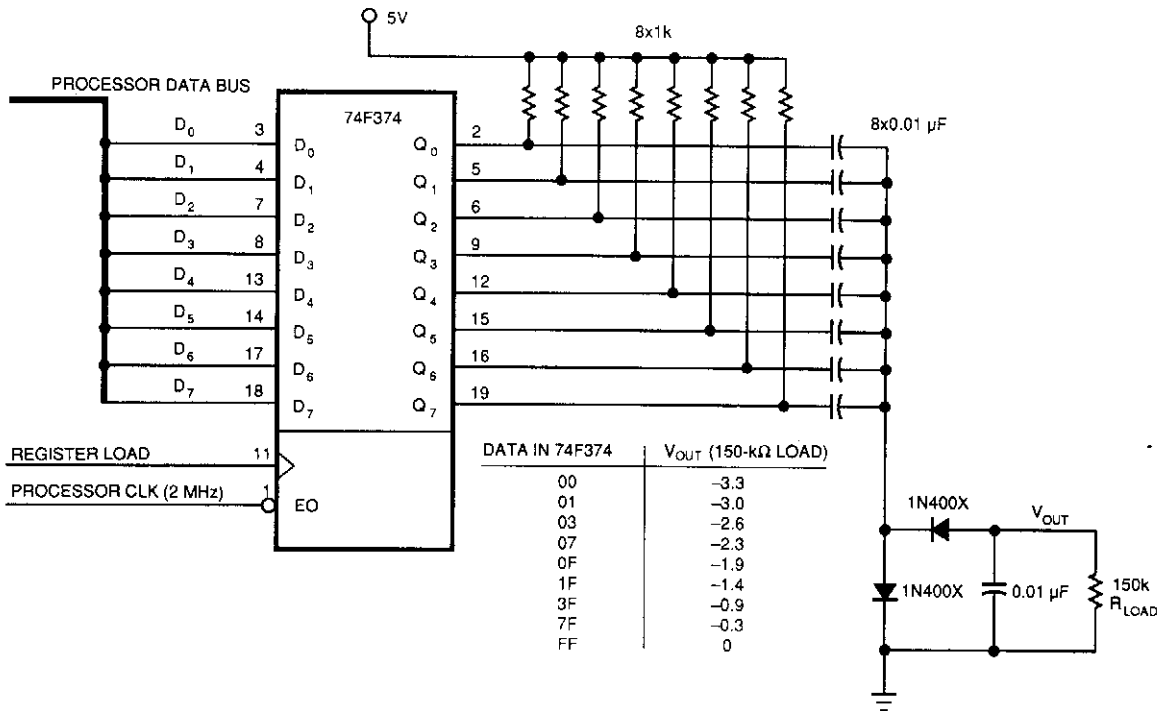
## RECTANGULAR/TRIANGULAR WAVEFORM CONVERTER (Cont.)

The time constant  $R6/C1$  is large for a purpose: to ensure that the triangular signal, even at low frequencies, cannot affect the waveform of the signal to be integrated—the rectangular shape must be retained. The converter can process signals at frequencies from 6 Hz (where the amplitude is not affected) to 60 kHz (where the amplitude is reached by 10%).

Because of the long time constants, the time taken for the recovery of the amplitude of the triangular signal at frequencies above 1 kHz is rather long. The peak value of this signal should be set to 1 V.

Diode D1 is a so-called *stabistor*—three diodes in one package. It might be replaced by three discrete type 1N4148 diodes. The current drawn by the converter is of the order of 9 mA.

## $\mu$ P-CONTROLLED NEGATIVE VOLTAGE CONVERTER

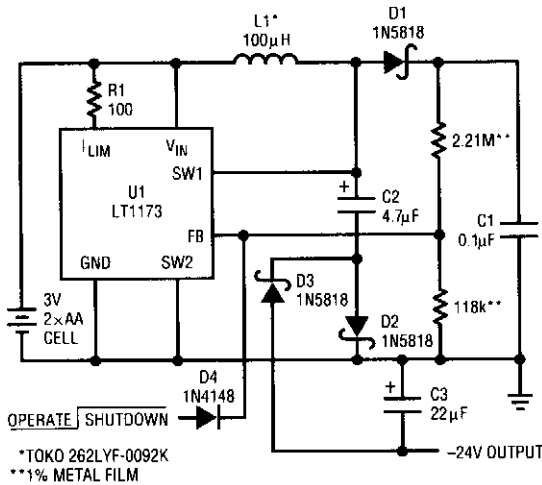


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Fig. 21-7

This circuit was used to produce a variable negative voltage for contrast control of an LCD display. A 74F374 generates a square wave that is ac coupled to a rectifier and load. By using the  $\mu$ P clock and data from the processor bus, and properly timed load signal, the dc level generated can be controlled by the  $\mu$ P.

## dc/dc CONVERTER

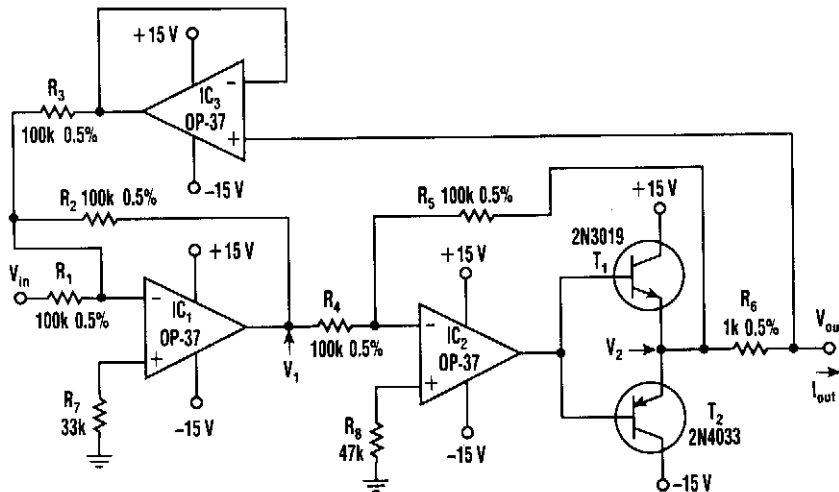


This circuit uses a Linear Technology LT1073 in a  $-24\text{-V}$  converter. The supply can be two AA cells (3 V) or 5 V. The circuit can deliver 7 mA.

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 21-8

## VOLTAGE-TO-CURRENT CONVERTER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

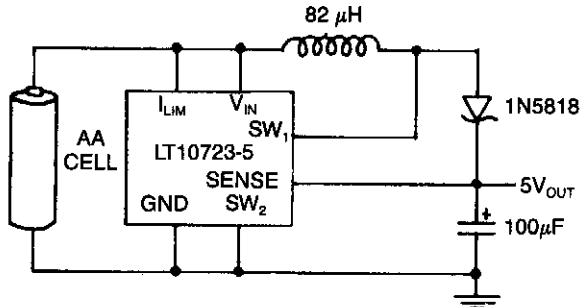
Fig. 21-9

This voltage to current converter uses three op amps to drive a pair of power transistors. The current output is calculated as:

$$I_{OUT} = \frac{V_{in}}{R_6}$$

Output resistance is over 50 M $\Omega$ .  $I_{OUT}$  can range from 1 mA to the current ratings of T1 and T2.

### 1-TO-5 V dc/dc CONVERTER

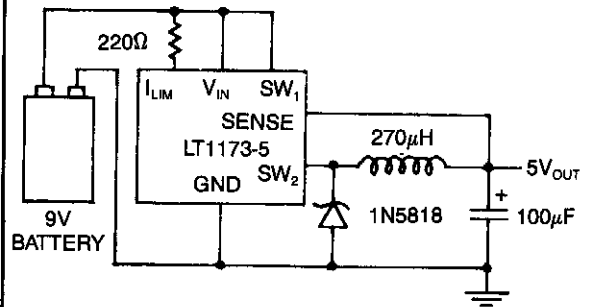


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 21-10

This circuit, using the Linear Technology LT1173, produces 5 V at 40 mA from a 1.5-V AA cell.

### 9-TO-5-V CONVERTER

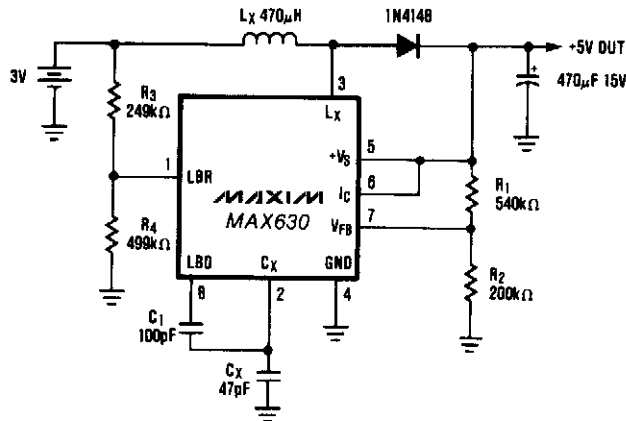


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 21-11

Using a Linear Technology LT1173-5, this converter produces regulated 5 V from a 9-V battery.

### +3-V BATTERY TO +5-V dc/dc CONVERTER

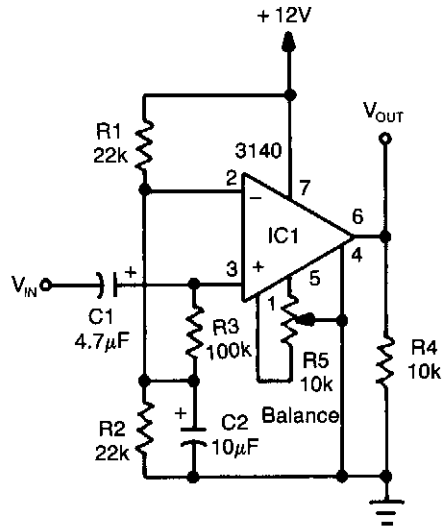


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Fig. 21-12

A common power-supply requirement involves converting a 2.4- or 3-V battery voltage to a 5-V logic supply. This circuit converts 3 V to 5 V at 40 mA with 85% efficiency. When  $I_C$  (pin 6) is driven low, the output voltage will be the battery voltage minus the drop across diode D1. The optional circuitry that uses C1, R3, and R4 lowers the oscillator frequency when the battery voltage falls to 2.0 V. This lower frequency maintains the output-power capability of the circuit by increasing the peak inductor current, which compensates for the reduced battery voltage.

## SINE-WAVE/SQUARE-WAVE CONVERTER

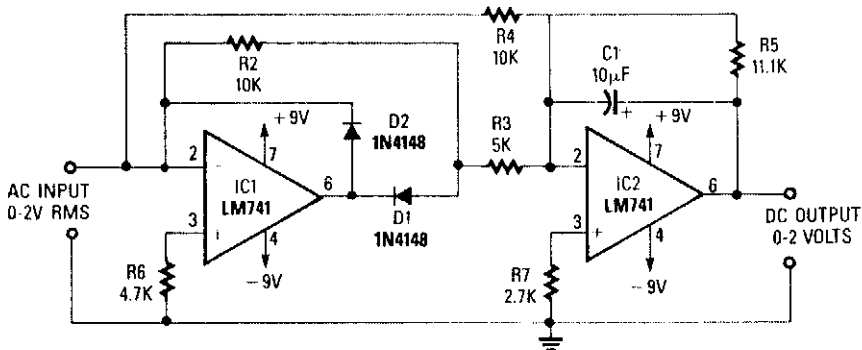


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Fig. 21-13

An op amp used as a comparator produces a 10-V p-p square-wave output with 100-mV input, to 15 kHz. Adjust R5 for symmetry of square wave at low input levels.

## PRECISION FULL-WAVE ac/dc CONVERTER



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 21-14

A dc level is produced that corresponds to the ac input rms value (if sine wave).  $\frac{R_1}{C_5}$  set the gain of IC2 to 1.11. This factor is the average-to-rms conversion factor. IC1 and IC2 act as a full-wave rectifier circuit, with D1 and D2.

# 22

## Crystal Oscillators

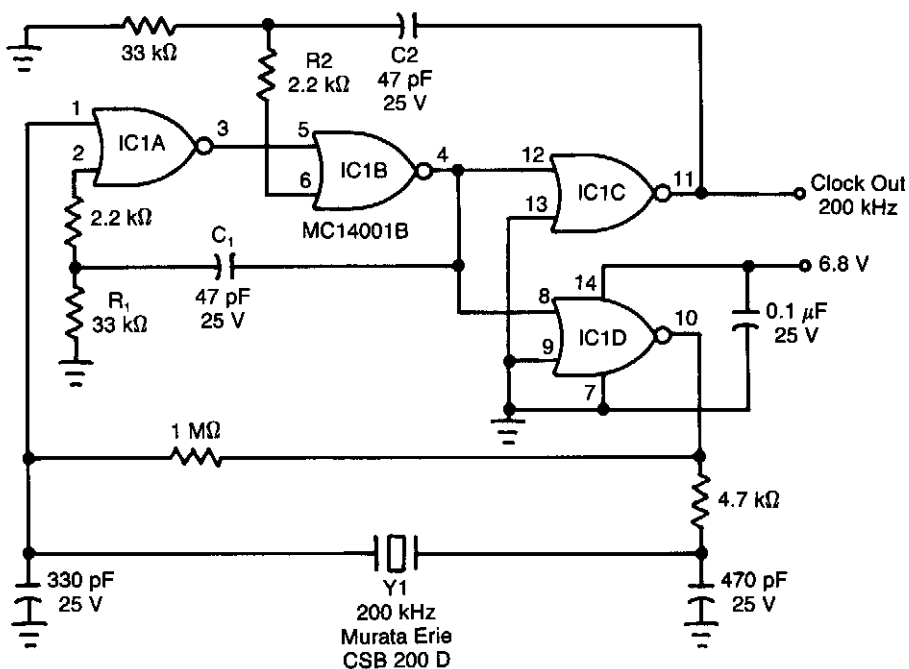
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 664. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Micropower Clock                        | 10-to 80-MHz Oscillator              |
| Simple Fundamental Crystal Oscillator   | 1-to 4-MHz CMOS Oscillator           |
| Simple Third-Overtone Oscillator        | 150-to 30 000-kHz Oscillator         |
| Colpitts 1-to 20-MHz Crystal Oscillator | 50-to 150-MHz Oscillator             |
| 100-kHz Crystal Calibrator              | Two-Frequency Colpitts Oscillator    |
| 100-MHz Overtone Oscillator             | 1-to 20-MHz TTL Oscillator           |
| Voltage-Controlled Crystal Oscillator   | Crystal-Controlled Bridge Oscillator |
| 330-MHz Crystal Oscillator              | Economical Crystal Time Base         |
| 10-to-150 kHz Oscillator                | Crystal Oscillator                   |



## MICROPOWER CLOCK



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Fig. 22-1

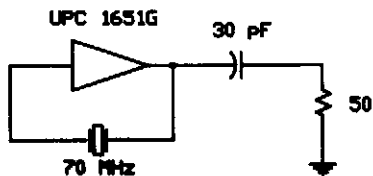
Although ceramic resonators are a good choice for low-power, low-frequency clock sources (if you can stand their 30-ppm temperature coefficient), they have troublesome, spurious-resonance modes. This circuit rejects all but the resonator's fundamental mode. This clock circuit works from  $-40$  to  $+80^{\circ}\text{C}$  and consumes only 2.8 mW.

The rising edge of resonator Y1 toggles IC1A low. ac-coupled positive feedback from IC1D via C1 and R1 immediately confirms this state change at IC1B so that Miller loading, harmonic components, or below-minimum rise times at IC1A cannot force IC1C to relapse to its previous state. This tactic also applies to resonator Y1's falling edge because IC1C, via C2 and R2, holds IC1B high.

Choose time constants  $R_1C_1$ , and  $R_2C_2$  to be equal and ranging from 60 to 75% of one-half of the clock's period. Ceramic capacitors (10% tolerance) with X7R dielectric work well. With these time constants, the logic will be locked and unavailable to the ceramic resonator until just before it executes a legitimate transition. IC1D and IC1C are in parallel to isolate the resonator from external loads and, more importantly, from C2.

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## SIMPLE FUNDAMENTAL CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



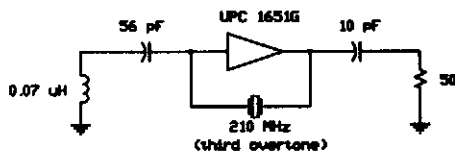
RF DESIGN

Fig. 22-2

This simple fundamental oscillator uses a  $\mu$ PC1651G IC and two components. The crystal is fundamental.

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## SIMPLE THIRD-OVERTONE OSCILLATOR



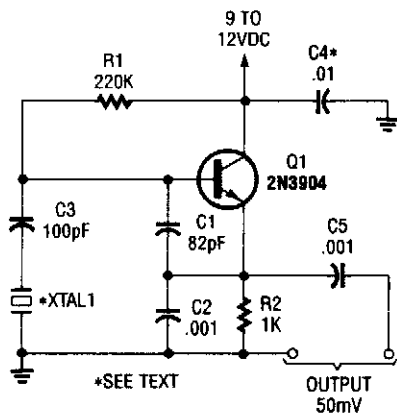
RF DESIGN

Fig. 22-3

Using a 210-MHz third overtone crystal, this circuit operates directly at the crystal frequency, with 210-MHz output and no multiplier stages.

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## COLPITTS 1-to 20-MHz CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



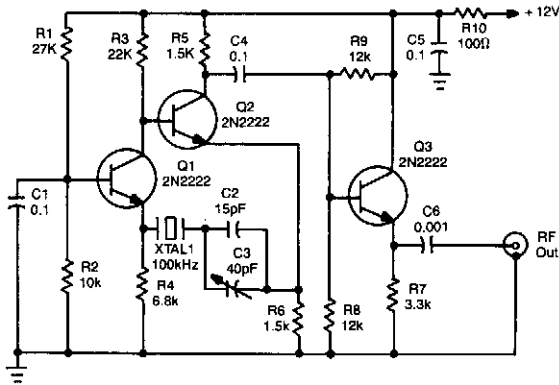
*This is a simple Colpitts crystal oscillator for 1 to 20 MHz, can be easily made from junk-box parts (provided that a crystal is handy).*

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Fig. 22-4

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## 100-kHz CRYSTAL CALIBRATOR

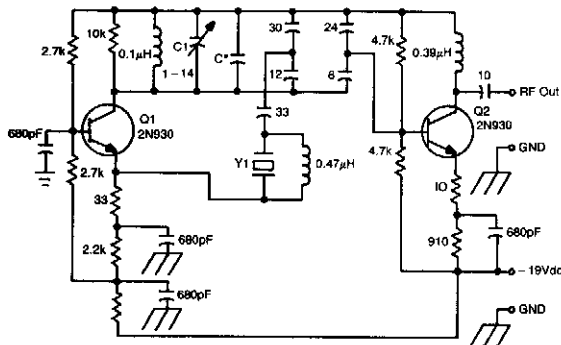


Using a 12-V supply, this crystal calibrator should prove a useful accessory for a SW receiver. Q1 and Q2 form an oscillator and Q3 is a buffer amp.

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Fig. 22-5

## 100-MHz OVERTONE OSCILLATOR

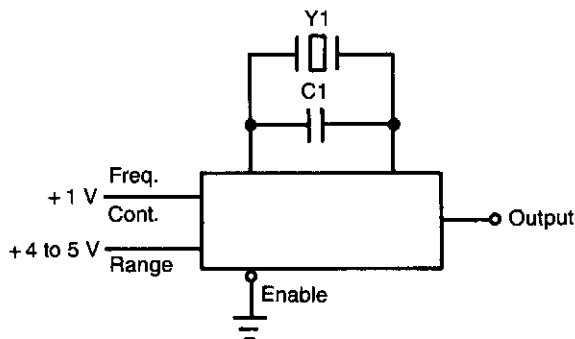


This oscillator circuit uses a 5th overtone crystal in the 85-to-106 MHz range. Y1 is the crystal. The circuit was originally used to frequency control a microwave oscillator.

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Fig. 22-6

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



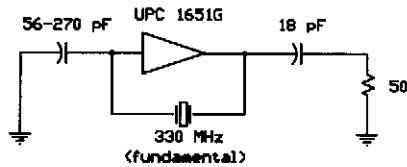
Notes:

- For frequencies  $\leq 1$  MHz,  $C1 = 5$  to  $15$  pF.  
For frequencies  $\geq 1$  MHz,  $C1$  can be eliminated.
- IC is SN74S124 for  $f_{max}$  of 60 MHz.  
IC is SN74LS124 for  $f_{max}$  of 35 MHz.

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Fig. 22-7

### 330-MHz CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

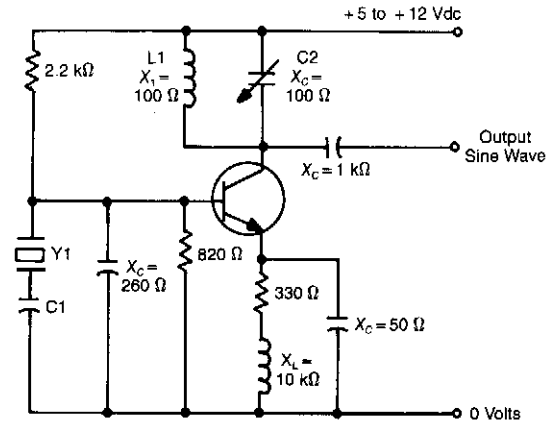


RF DESIGN

Fig. 22-8

A  $\mu$ PC 1651G IC operates in the fundamental mode with an experimental crystal at 330 MHz. The 56-to-270 pF capacitor is not critical; about +1-dBm RF output is available.

### 10-to 150-kHz OSCILLATOR



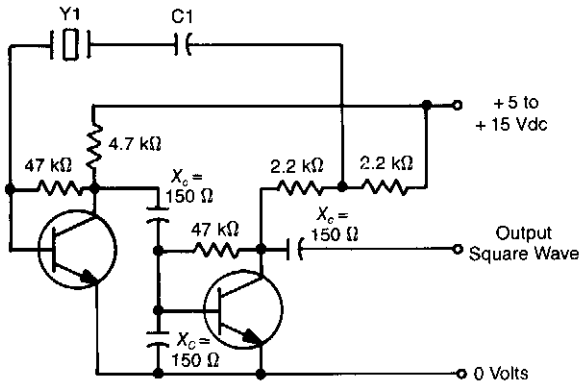
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Fig. 22-10

Note:

Y1 is "H", "NT", or "E" cut

### 10-to 80-MHz OSCILLATOR



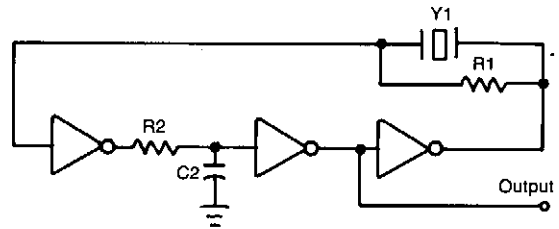
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Fig. 22-9

Notes:

1. Y1 is "AT" cut, fundamental, or overtone crystal.
2. Tune L1 and C2 to operating frequency.

### 1-to 4-MHz CMOS OSCILLATOR



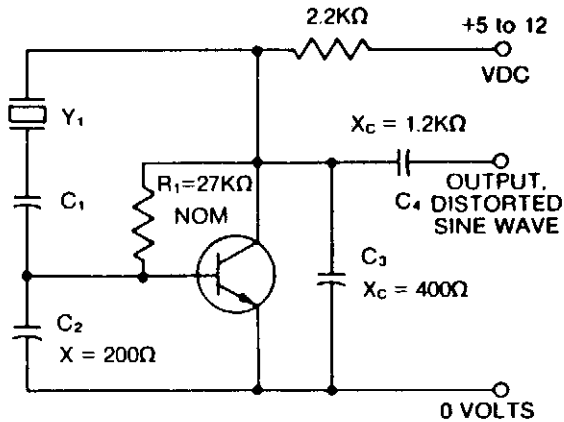
VALPEY-FISHER

Fig. 22-11

Notes:

1.  $1 \text{ M}\Omega < R_1 < 5 \text{ M}\Omega$
2. Select  $R_2$  and  $C_2$  to prevent spurious frequency.
3. ICs are 74C04 or equivalent.

## 150-to 30 000-kHz OSCILLATOR



Notes:

1. Y1 is 'AT', 'CT', 'DT', 'NT', 'SL', or 'E' cut.
2. C1, C2, and C3 in series should equal the load capacity of crystal.
3. Adjust R1 for 1/2 supply voltage at collector of transistor.

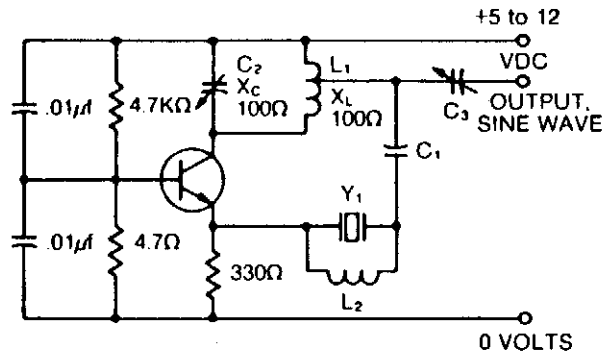
VALPEY-FISHER

Fig. 22-12

C1 capacitor in series with the crystal may be used to adjust the output frequency of the oscillator. The value can range between 20 pF and 0.01  $\mu$ F, or it can be a trimmer capacitor.

X values are approximate and can vary for most circuits and frequencies; this is also true for resistance values. Adequate power supply decoupling is required; local decoupling capacitors near the oscillator are recommended.

## 50-to 150-MHz OSCILLATOR



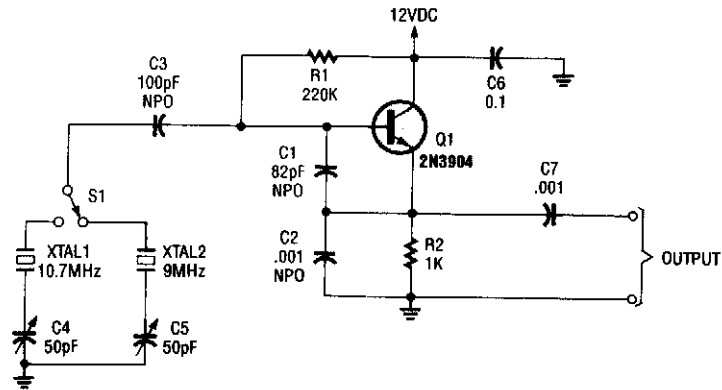
VALPEY-FISHER

Fig. 22-13

Notes:

1. Y1 is 'AT' cut, overtone crystal.
2. Tune L1 and C2 to operating frequency.
3. L2 and shunt capacitance (C0) of crystal (approximately 6 pF) should resonate to the output frequency of the oscillator (L2 = 0.5  $\mu$ H at 90 MHz). This is necessary in order to tune out effect of C0 of the crystal.
4. C3 is varied to match output.

## TWO-FREQUENCY COLPITTS OSCILLATOR

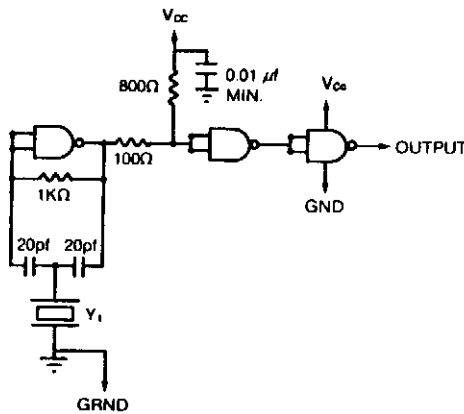


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Fig. 22-14

Using switched crystals, this oscillator is intended for receiver alignment purposes.

## 1-to 20-MHz TTL OSCILLATOR



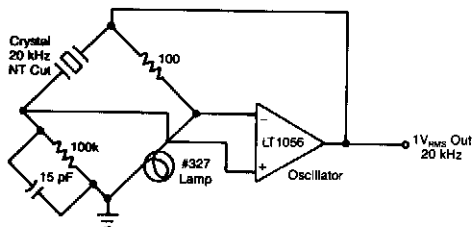
VALPEY-FISHER

Fig. 22-15

Notes:

1. Y1 is "AT" cut fundamental crystal.
2. ICs are 7400/7404.

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

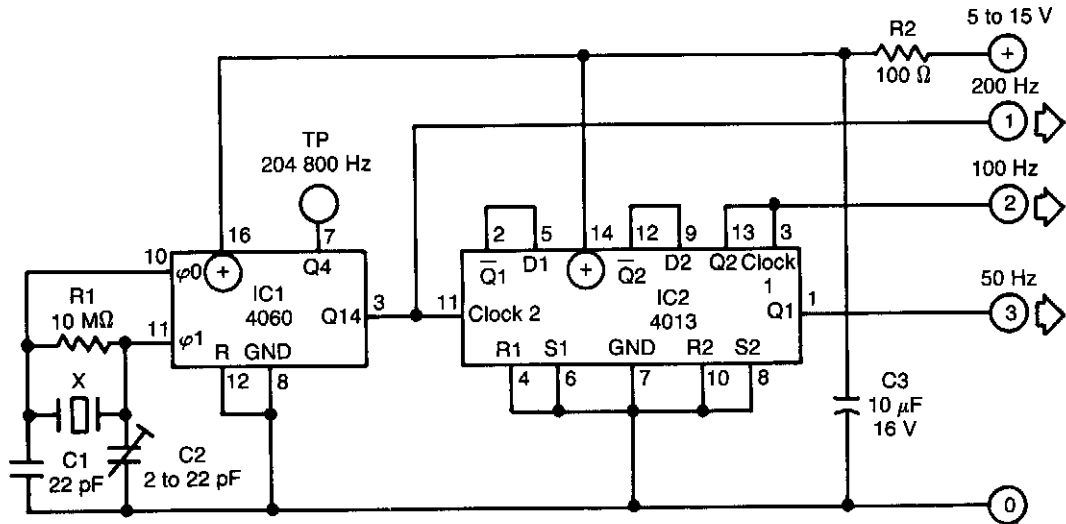


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Fig. 22-16

This crystal-controlled oscillator uses the current variations in a small lamp to stabilize amplitude variations.

## ECONOMICAL CRYSTAL TIME BASE

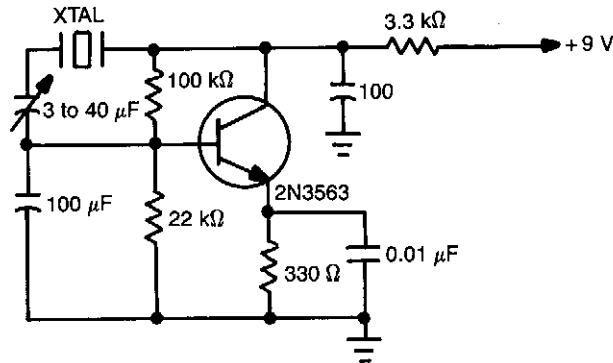


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Fig. 22-17

The above time base circuit will provide 50-, 100-, or 200-Hz signals from an inexpensive crystal cut for 3.276 8 MHz, a common crystal used for microprocessor works. It requires a power supply of 5 to 15 V at 0.05 to 2.5 mA.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 22-18

This simple circuit will oscillate with a wide range of crystals. Connect several different types of crystal holders in parallel to improve versatility. The 3-to-40-pF capacitor adjusts crystal frequency over a small range for setting to standard-frequency transmissions when the unit is used as a crystal calibrator.

# 23

## Data Circuits

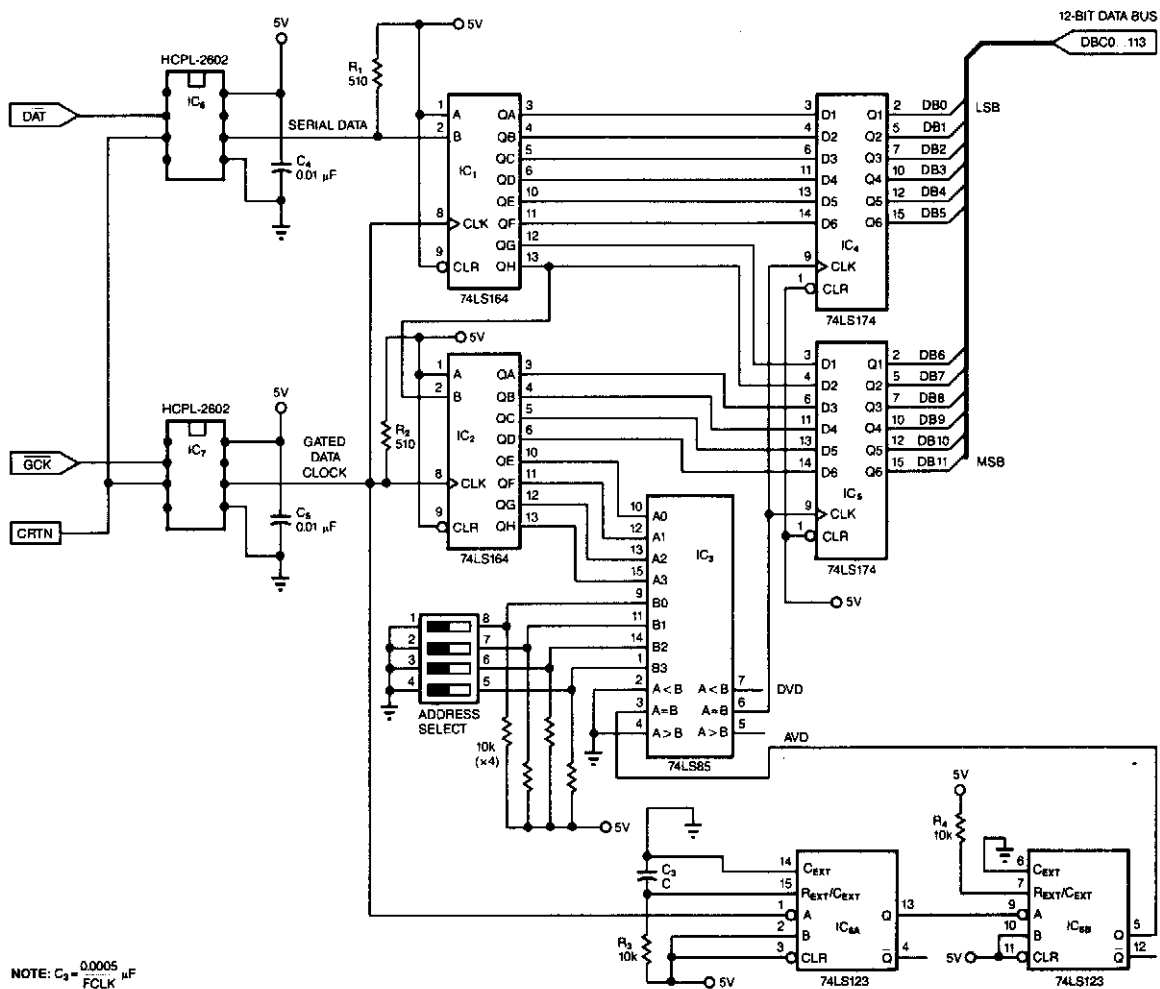
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 664. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

3-Wire Receiver/Message Demuxer  
Data Acquisition System I  
Data Acquisition System II  
Low-Frequency Prescaler  
Analog Data-Signal Isolater



### 3-WIRE RECEIVER/MESSAGE DEMUXER

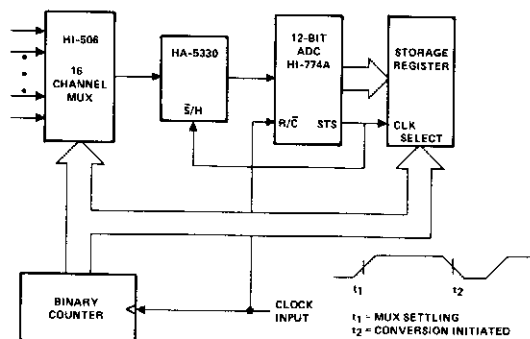


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Fig. 23-1

This 3-wire receiver checks the first four data bits of 16 received bits against a preset address. If the two match, the remaining 12 bits are latched into two 6-bit flip-flop registers. Either CMOS or TTL logic families can be used in the design.

## DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM I



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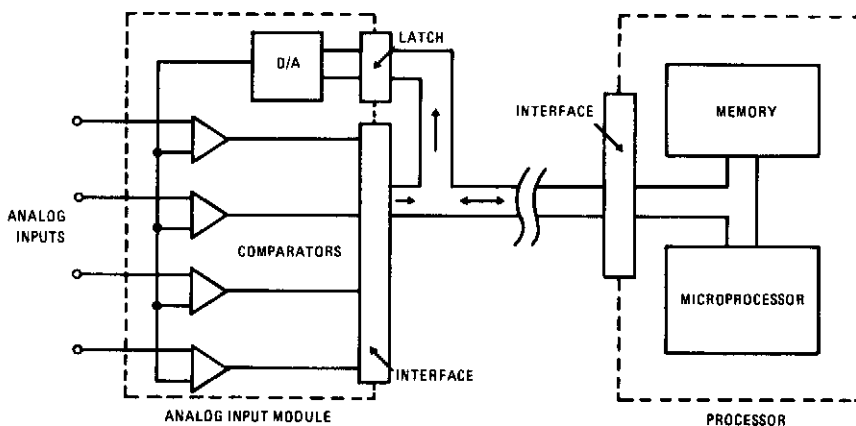
Fig. 23-2

The HI-506 multiplexer is used as an analog input selector, controlled by a binary counter to address the appropriate channel. The HA-5330 is a high-speed sample and hold. The sample/hold con-

trol is tied to the status (STS) output of the HI-774A; whenever a conversion is in process, the S/H is in the hold mode. A conversion is initiated when the clock input becomes low; when the clock becomes high, the mux address changes. The mux will be acquiring the next channel while the ADC is converting the present input, held by the S/H. The clock low time should be between 225 ns and 6.5  $\mu$ s, with the period greater than 8.5  $\mu$ s.

With this timing, T/C will be high at the end of a conversion, so the output data will be valid  $\sim$  100 ns before STS goes low. This allows STS to clock the data into the storage register. The register address will be offset by one; if this is a problem, a 4-bit latch can be added to the input of the storage register. With a 100-kHz clock rate, each channel will be read every 160  $\mu$ s.

## DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM II

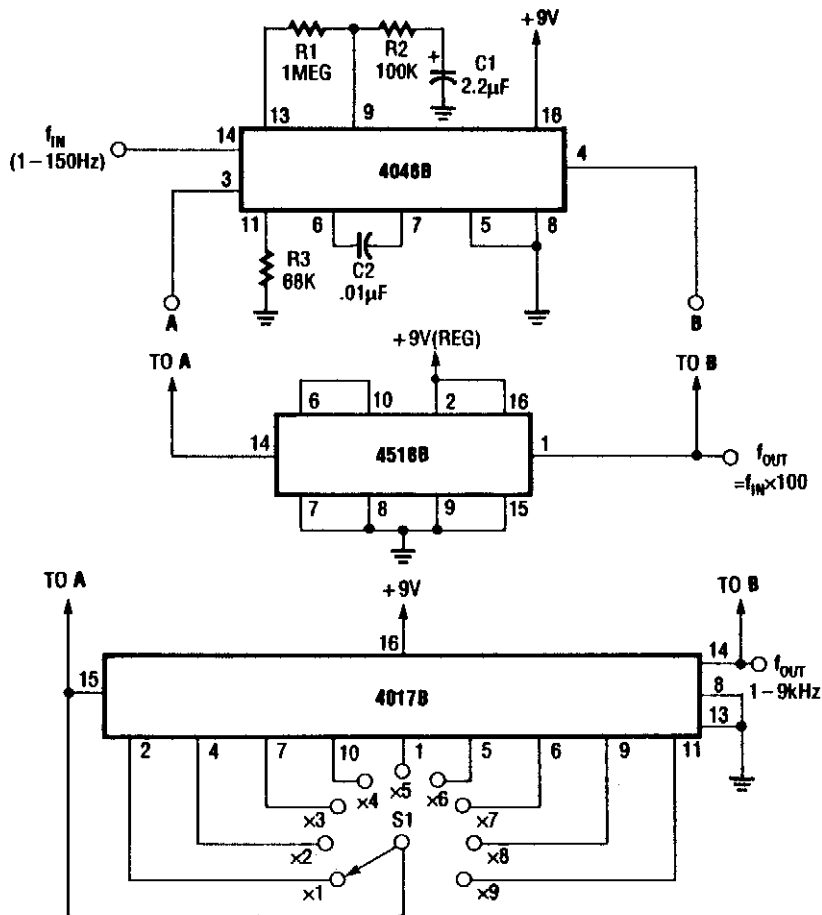


HARRIS

Fig. 23-3

In this circuit, an HA-4900 series comparator is used in conjunction with a D/A converter to form a simple, versatile, multichannel analog input for a data acquisition system. The processor first sends an address to the D/A, then the processor reads the digital word generated by the comparator outputs. To perform a simple comparison, the processor sets the D/A to a given reference level, then examines one or more comparator outputs to determine if the inputs are above or below the reference. A window comparison consists of two such cycles with two reference levels set by the D/A. One way to digitize the inputs would be for the processor to increment the D/A in steps. The D/A address, as each comparator switches, is the digitized level of the input. While stairstepping, the D/A is slower than successive approximation; all channels are digitized during one staircase ramp.

## LOW-FREQUENCY PRESCALER



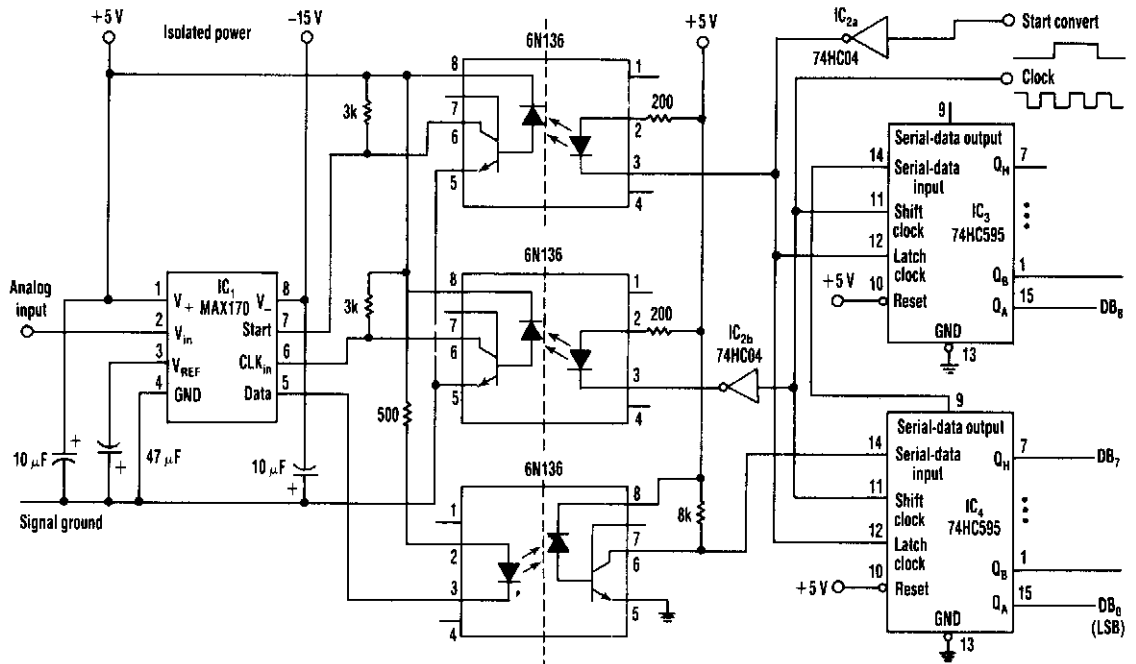
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 23-4

For multiplying frequencies in the 1-to 150-Hz range, this circuit uses a 4046B and a  $\div 100$  prescaler. The VCO output is phaselocked to the low-frequency input. This simplifies use of a frequency counter to measure LF signal frequencies.

By using a 4017B and a 1-kHz  $f_{IN}$ , the circuit can be used as a 1-to 9-kHz frequency synthesizer or as a  $\times 10$  frequency multiplier.

## ANALOG DATA-SIGNALS ISOLATER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 23-5**

By converting analog data to digital and using optocouplers, this circuit can be used to transmit analog signals across barriers, such as voltage levels, different ground systems, etc.

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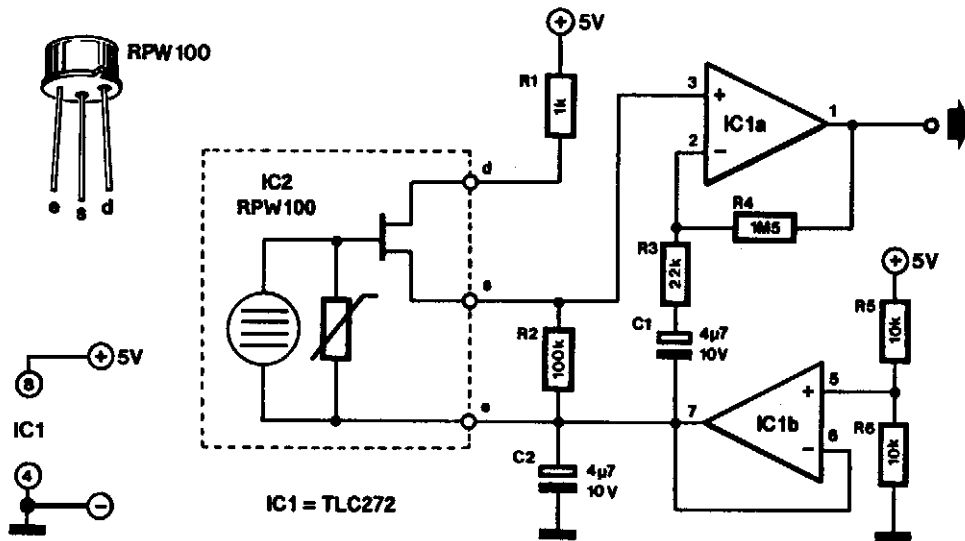
## Detectors

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|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Thermally Operated Direction Finder | NOAA Weather-Alert Decoder         |
| Two-Sheets Detector                 | Low-Level Diode Envelope Detector  |
| Metal Detector                      | Trip-Point Detector and Controller |
| Metal Detector                      | AM Envelope Detector               |
| Peak Detector                       | IC Product Detectors               |
| Undervoltage Detector               | Peak Detector                      |
| SSB/CW Product Detectors            | Air-Pressure Change Detector       |
| RF-Field Detector                   | Duty-Cycle Detector                |
| Line-Operated Smoke Detector        | Op Amp Peak Detector               |

## THERMALLY OPERATED DIRECTION DETECTOR



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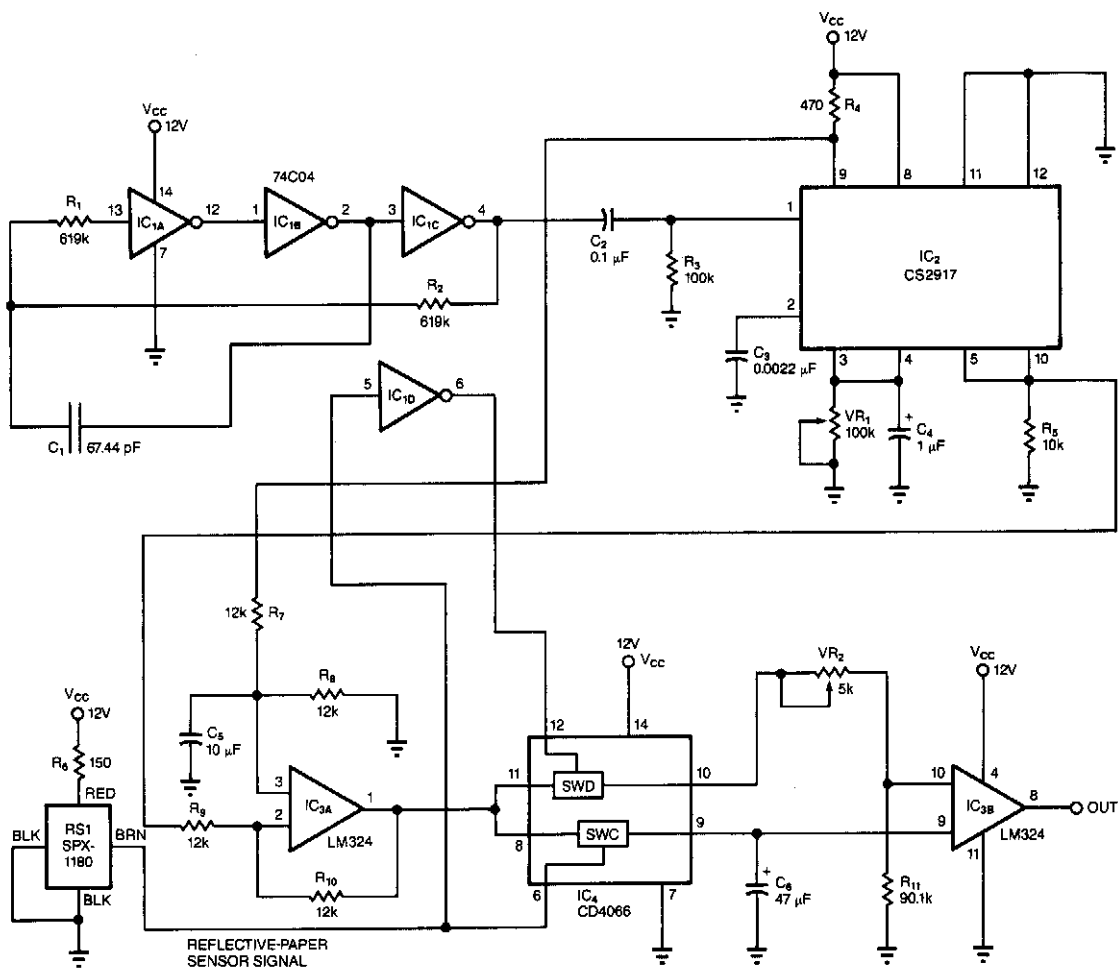
Fig. 24-1

A heat-sensitive sensor can be used to construct a direction detector. Such a sensor reacts to all animal heat. The one used in this design has a sensitive surface that has been divided into two. It, therefore, makes a difference, whether the heat approaches from the left or the right. The indication for cold objects is, of course, exactly the opposite.

Circuit IC1B forms a symmetric supply. Terminal s of the sensor is its output. The signal at s is amplified in IC1A by a factor of about 70 before it is available at the output of the detector.

To obtain good directivity, it is best to place the sensor behind a single narrow slit, rather than behind the usual raster of a multifaceted mirror. The circuit draws a current of only a few mA from a 5-V supply.

## TWO-SHEETS DETECTOR

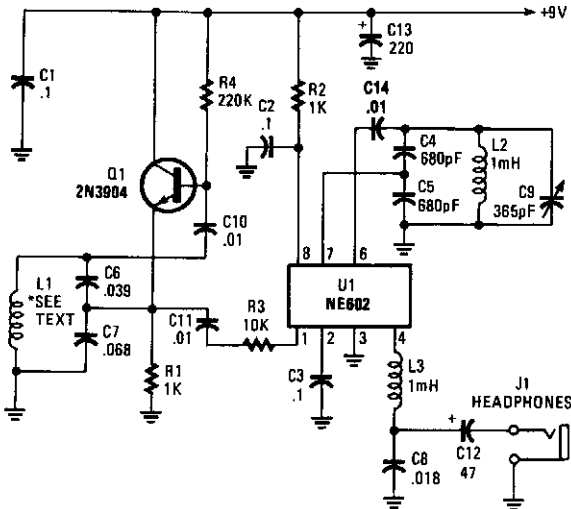


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Fig. 24-2

Using the principle of capacitance between two plates this circuit senses when more than one sheet of paper goes between the sensing electrodes at a time. C1 is the sensing capacitor formed of two plates. It consists of two plates 2" × 15" with 0.1" spacing. A change of capacitance causes a change in oscillator frequency of the IC1 circuit, which is detected by IC2 and IC3.

## METAL DETECTOR

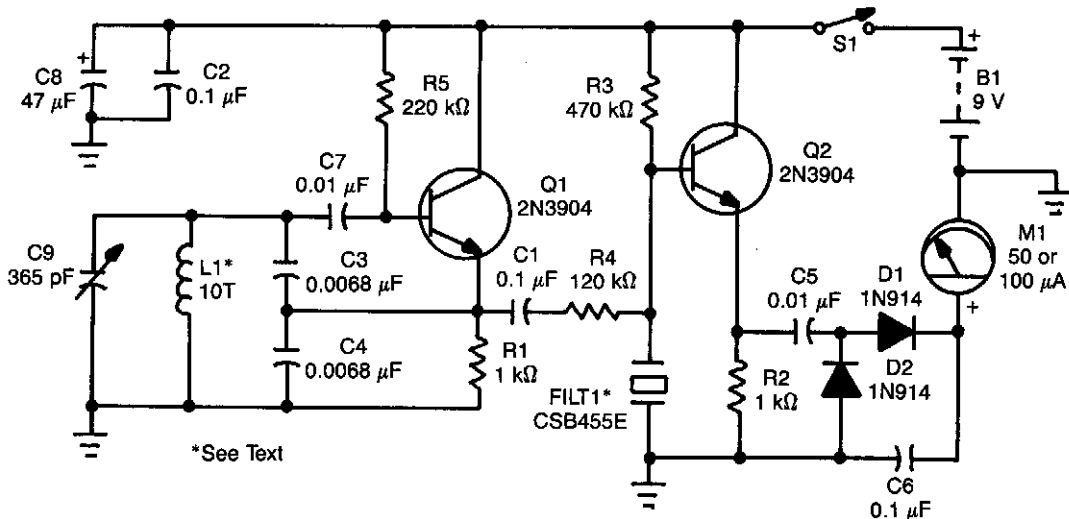


An NE602 acts as a heterodyne detector and Q1 as a sense oscillator. When L1 is brought near metal, it causes a change in loop inductance, shifting the resonant frequency of L1 C6/C7. L1 is 5 turns #20 wire on a 9" diameter wood or plastic form.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 24-3

## METAL DETECTOR



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Fig. 24-4

Using an oscillator running at 455 kHz, the metal-detector circuit produces an indication on the meter M1. When the oscillator frequency changes because of metal in the field of L1, the change will show as an increase or decrease in frequency, which produces a change in the meter reading. The ceramic filter FILT1 produces a selective bandpass that yields this effect. L1 can be a 4" diameter coil wound on a suitable plastic form. About 10 turns of #26 wire are required. Use a frequency counter to adjust L1 and verify that Q1 is operating on or near 455 kHz.



## PEAK DETECTOR

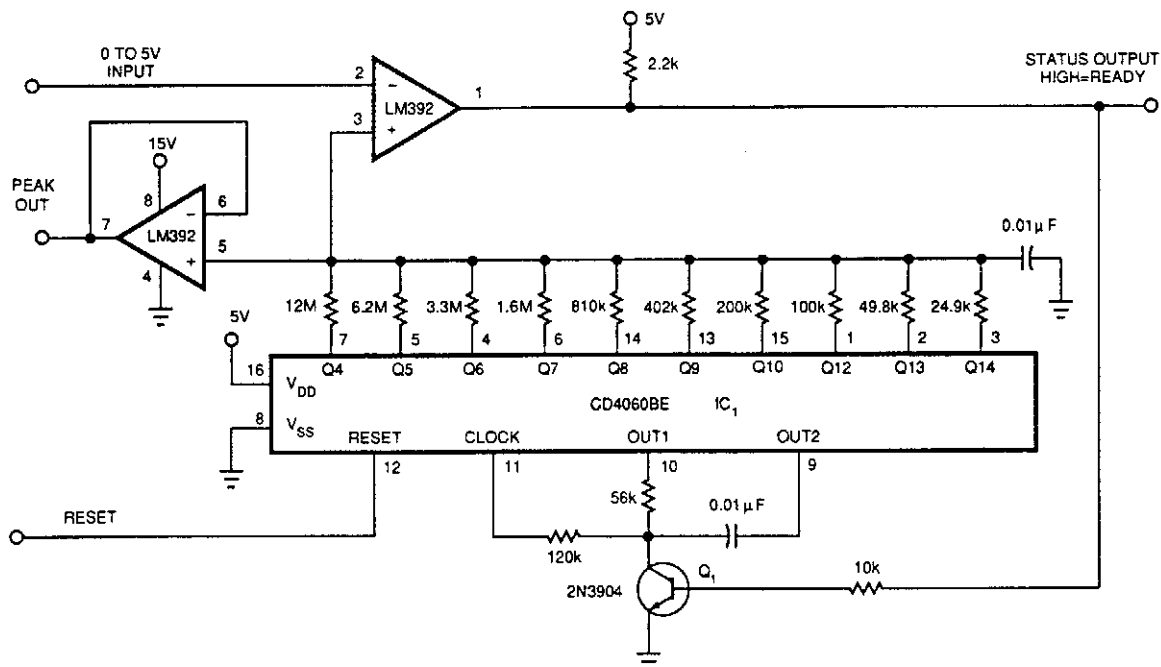
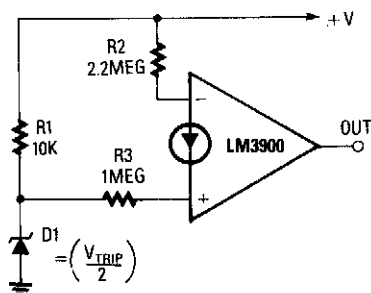


Fig. 24-5

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A 0-to-5 V input drives the negative input of LM392 comparator if reset (pin 12) if DC4060BE is pulled high then low, all outputs of IC1 are forced low, forcing + input of comparator to go low. Q1 is cut off and IC1's clock oscillator, running at about 775 Hz, starts counting. The Q4 through Q14 outputs connect to a ladder. When the counter reaches a count so that the voltage on pin 3 of the LM392 equals the peak input voltage, the counter stops. This voltage is available at the output of the voltage follower LM392 (pin 7). The maximum time to acquire a peak is 22 seconds. This circuit is slow and was originally intended for battery-charging applications.

## UNDERVOLTAGE DETECTOR

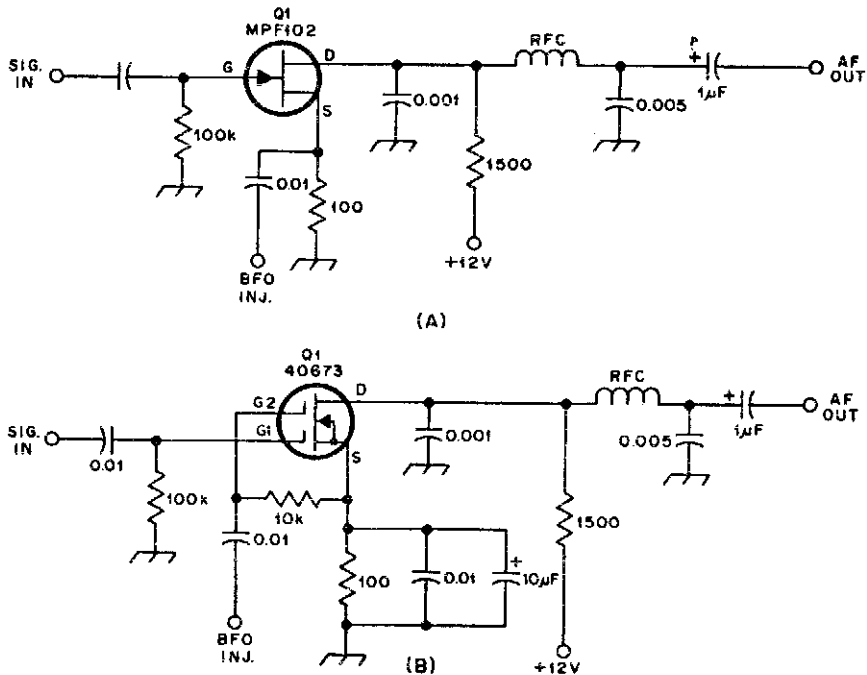


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Fig. 24-6

The output goes high when the supply falls below a value determined by zener diode D1. If D1 is a 5.6-V zener, the op amp will switch high when the supply voltage falls below approximately 11 V. The precise trip point can be varied by replacing R3 with an 820-k $\Omega$  resistor in series with a 470-k $\Omega$  potentiometer.

## SSB/CW PRODUCT DETECTORS

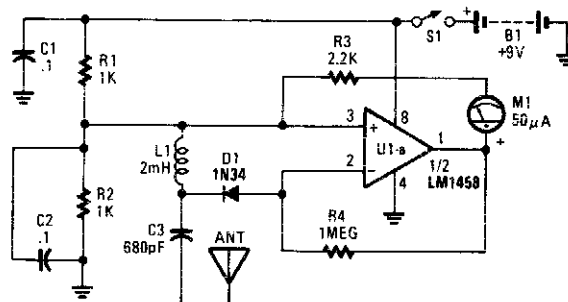


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Fig. 24-7

These circuits are used for product detection of single-sideband (SSB) and CW signals. BFO injection is typically 0.5 to 1 V rms for both circuits. Frequencies can be up to 25 MHz or so.

## RF-FIELD DETECTOR

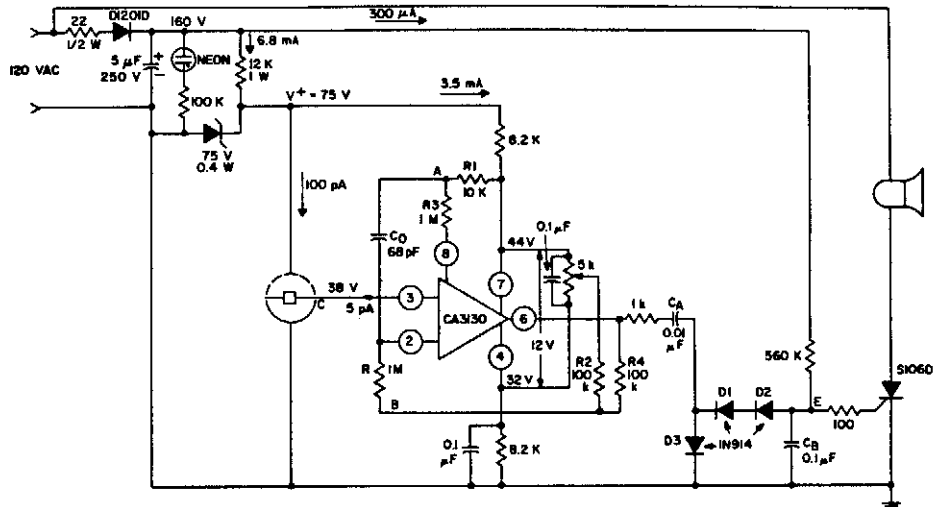


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Fig. 24-8

This detector is a half-wave rectifier for RF, which then feeds an op amp. U1A acts as an amplifier, driving meter M1. This circuit can detect mW RF levels from below the AM broadcast band to well above the FM broadcast band.

## LINE-OPERATED SMOKE DETECTOR

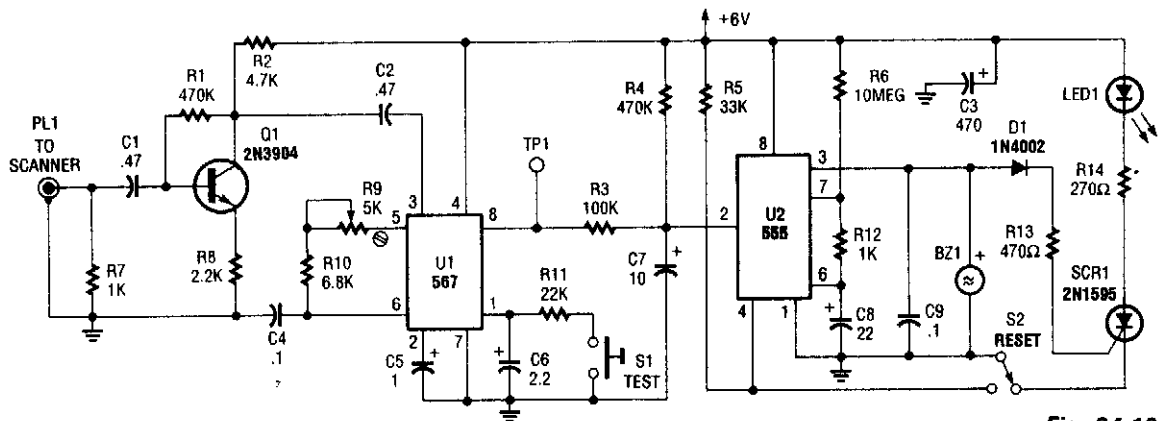


RCA

Fig. 24-9

Using an ionization chamber and a high-impedance (CA3130) op amp, the presence of smoke will cause the CA3130 to stop oscillating, triggering S106D SCR, sounding the alarm.

## NOAA WEATHER ALERT DECODER



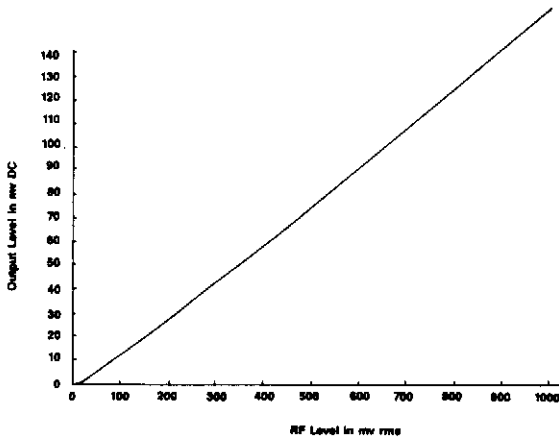
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Fig. 24-10

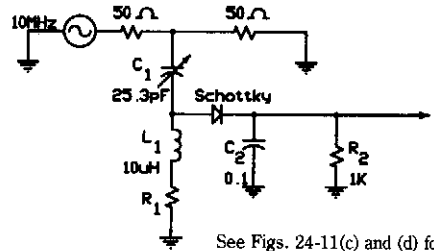
This circuit detects the 1050-Hz tone sent by the NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) Weather radio stations that operate from 162.40 to 162.55 MHz. This tone lasts for several seconds. Q1 is an amplifier that feeds tone detector U1, an NE567 detects this tone and produces a low on pin 8. This is coupled to a 555 timer (U2), which produces a high on its pin 3, sounds BZ1, triggers SCR1, and lights the LED. S2 is used to rest the circuit.

Audio is taken from the receiver that is used with the device. S1 is used to test the device and it will sound the alarm in two seconds if all is OK.

## LOW-LEVEL DIODE ENVELOPE DETECTOR



**Envelope detector response.**



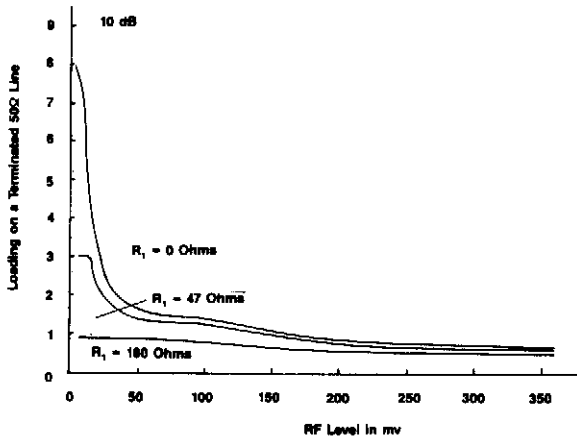
See Figs. 24-11(c) and (d) for values of  $R_1$

**Low-level envelope detector with lower L/C ratio to illustrate the effect of  $R$ .**

**Fig. 24-11(c)**

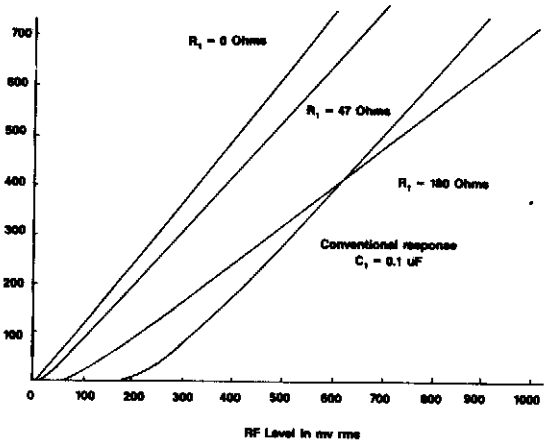
RF DESIGN

**Fig. 24-11(a)**



**Terminated 50-ohm line.**

**Fig. 24-11(b)**

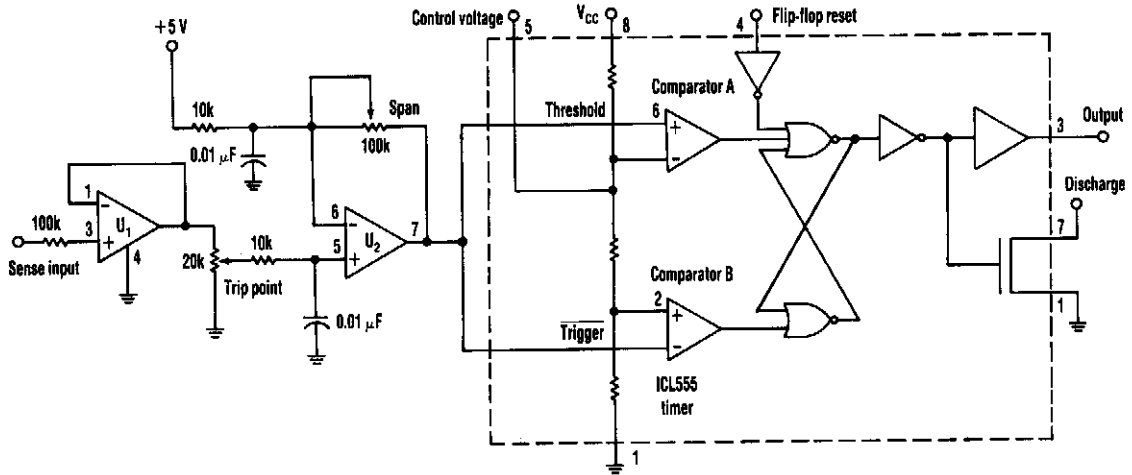


**Envelope detector response for 3 values of  $R$ .**

**Fig. 24-11(d)**

An approach to low-level RF detection and performance curves is shown here. This design is for 10 MHz, but values can be scaled to other frequencies, if needed.

## DETECTOR AND CONTROLLER



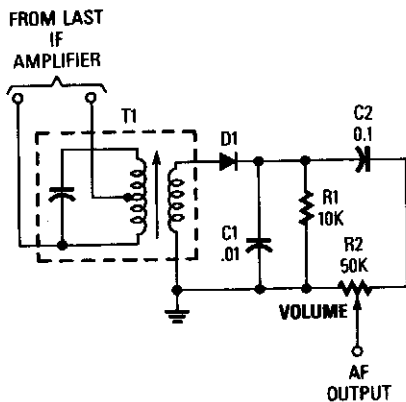
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 24-12

Many applications require analog signals to be sensed and digital signals to be controlled. A way to detect these points is by using a 555 timer in an unconventional configuration. This method will also add hysteresis to the circuit and guard against oscillation. The 555 supplies two comparators and a flip-flop eliminates the oscillation. Using this classic timer in the new configuration also reduces the component count.

The circuit shows the 555's trigger and threshold pins tied together. This enables the comparators to set and reset the flip-flop. Op amp U2 supplies both the trip-point setting and a way to adjust the hysteresis for ON and OFF points. One application where this circuit would be useful is in a Nicad battery-charge controller.

## AM ENVELOPE DETECTOR

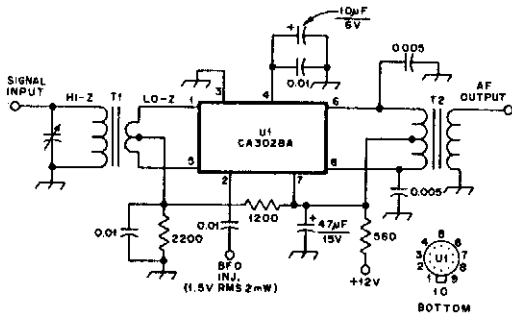


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Fig. 24-13

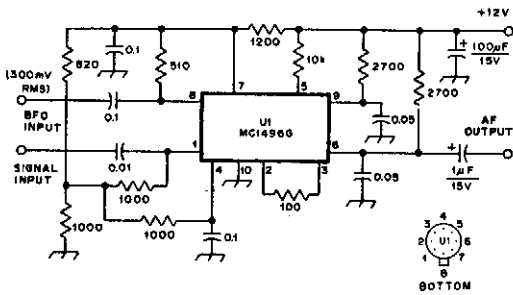
This general-purpose detector for AM envelope detection can be used in many receiver applications. T1 matches the IF amplifier impedance (typically 1 to 10 k $\Omega$ ) to the 1 k $\Omega$  (approximately) detector impedance. D1 can be an IN60, IN82AG, IN270, or a similar type.

## IC PRODUCT DETECTORS



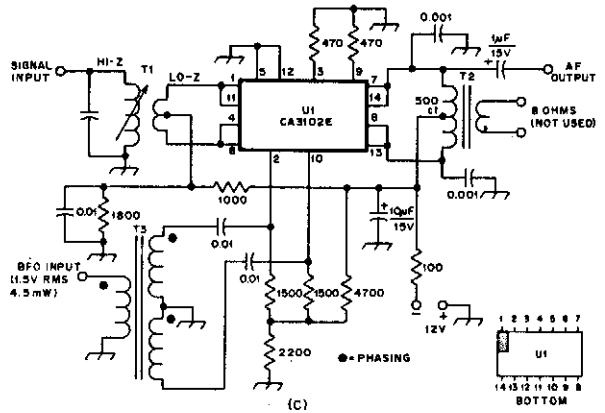
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Fig. 24-14(a)



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Fig. 24-14(b)

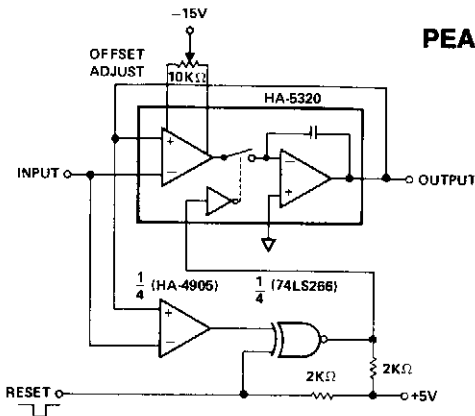


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Fig. 24-14(c)

These product detectors use IC devices. SSB and CW signals can be detected with them. The circuits should be useful up to 20 or 30 MHz. T3 in (c) is a 1:1:1 toroidal type, depending on the BFO frequency.

## PEAK DETECTOR

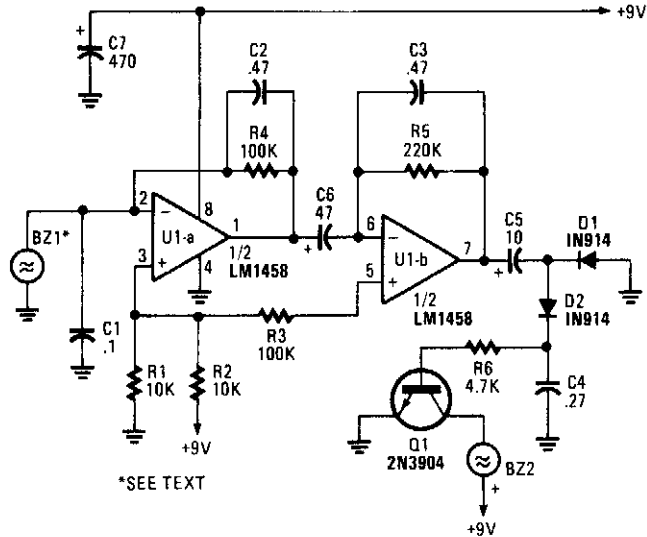


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Fig. 24-15

The exclusive NOR gate allows a reset function which forces the HA-5320 to the sample mode. The connections shown detect positive peaks; the comparator inputs can be reversed to detect negative peaks. Also, the offset must be introduced to provide enough step in voltage to trip the comparator after passing a peak. This circuit works well from below 100 Hz up to the frequency at which slew-rate limiting occurs. It captures the amplitude of voltage pulses, provided that the pulse duration is sufficient to slew to the top of the pulse.

## AIR-PRESSURE CHANGE DETECTOR

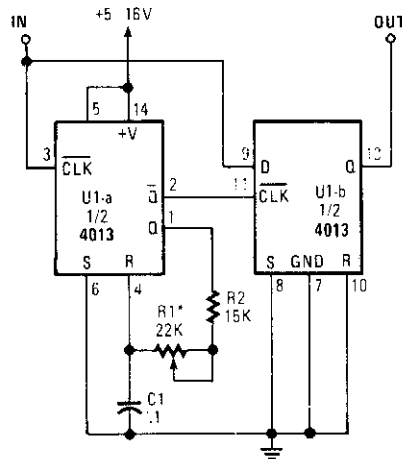


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Fig. 24-16

A piezoelectric detector (BZ1) is used in this circuit to detect a change in air pressure. BZ1 produces a voltage that is amplified by U1A and U1B. Frequency response is limited to low frequencies. The signal is rectified by D1 and D2 and drives Q1, which activates BZ2, a piezoelectric buzzer.

## DUTY-CYCLE DETECTOR



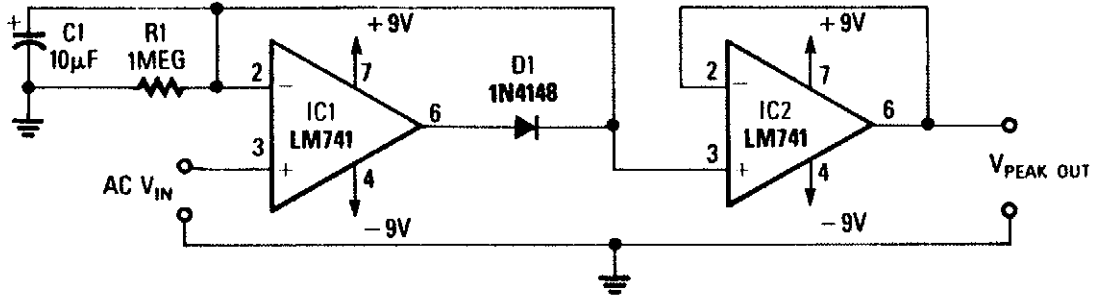
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 24-17

This circuit looks at the time an incoming pulse is high. If the incoming pulse is shorter than the adjusted (VAR1) pulse, the output of U1B is high. Values are shown for a 1-to 2- $\mu$ s pulse.

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### OP AMP PEAK DETECTOR



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 24-18

The output of this circuit will be a voltage that is equal to the peak of the input. D1 and C1 detect the peak voltage and this is read by the IC2 voltage follower.

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## Direction Finders

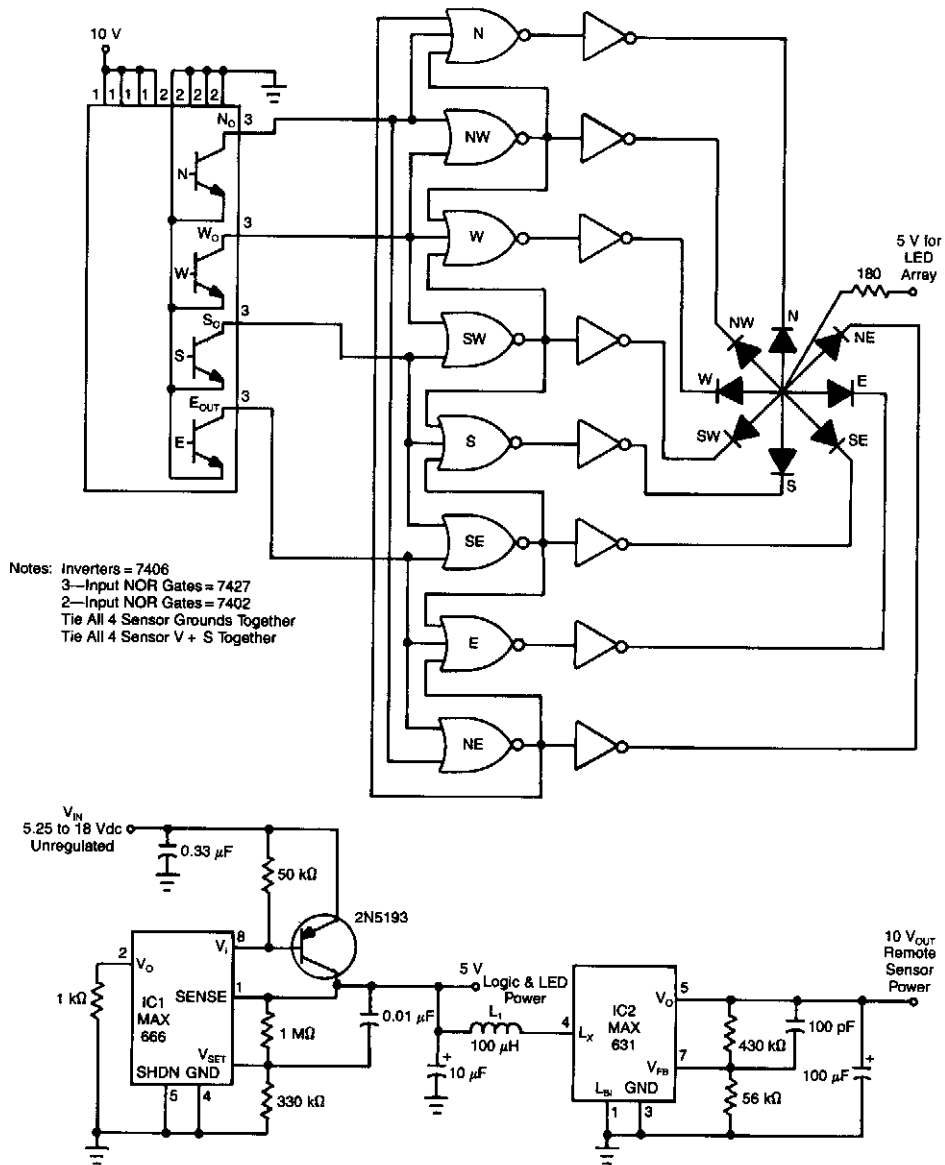
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 665. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Digital Compass  
Radio Direction Finder

## DIGITAL COMPASS



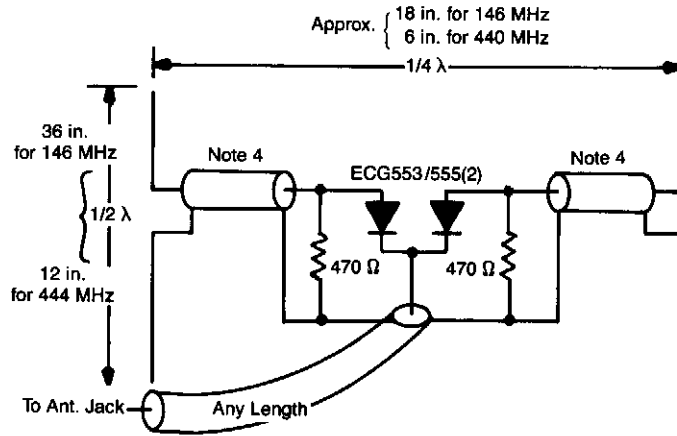
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Fig. 25-1

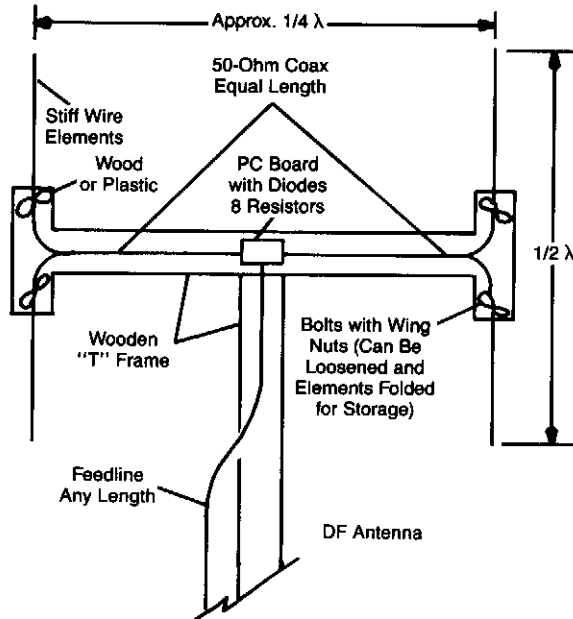
A four output Hall sensor combined with a few logic gates produce this digital compass. The NOR gates resolve the four Hall outputs into eight distinct compass directions. LEDs to indicate direction are driven by eight inverters. A power supply for 5.25- to 18-Vdc operation is shown in the figure.



## RADIO DIRECTION FINDER (Cont.)



Antenna construction.



Mechanical mounting details.

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Fig. 25-2

This RDF circuit consists of a square-wave oscillator (IC1), which switches two antennas alternately at an audio rate. A phase detector (Q1, 2, 3, 7) is used to compare receiver output amplified by IC2 with the reference phase from IC2 with the reference phase from IC1. A 50- $\mu$ A meter is used as a left-right indicator. IC3 is a comparator used to drive indicator LEDs.

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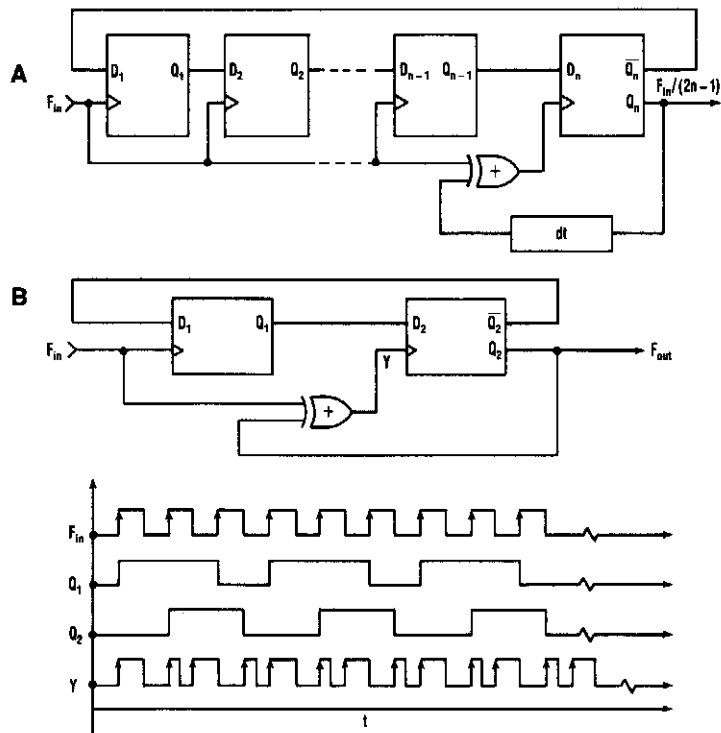
## Dividers

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Clock Input Frequency Divider  
Programmable Frequency Divider  
Divide-by-Odd-Number Counter  
7490 ÷  $N$  Circuits  
Divide-by-2-or-3 Circuit  
1 + -GHz Divide-by- $N$  Counter  
Divide-by- $N + 1/2$  Circuit

## CLOCK INPUT FREQUENCY DIVIDER



1. THE INPUT CLOCK frequency fed into this circuit is divided by  $2n - 1$ . The circuit consists of  $n$  clocked flip-flops and one exclusive-OR gate. The  $dt$  delay is zero in most cases.

2. THIS CIRCUIT CONFIGURATION divides the input frequency by three (a). The circuit's timing diagram verifies the division (b).

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 26-1

ICA, R1 through R3, and Q1 form a current source. The current that charges C1 is given by:

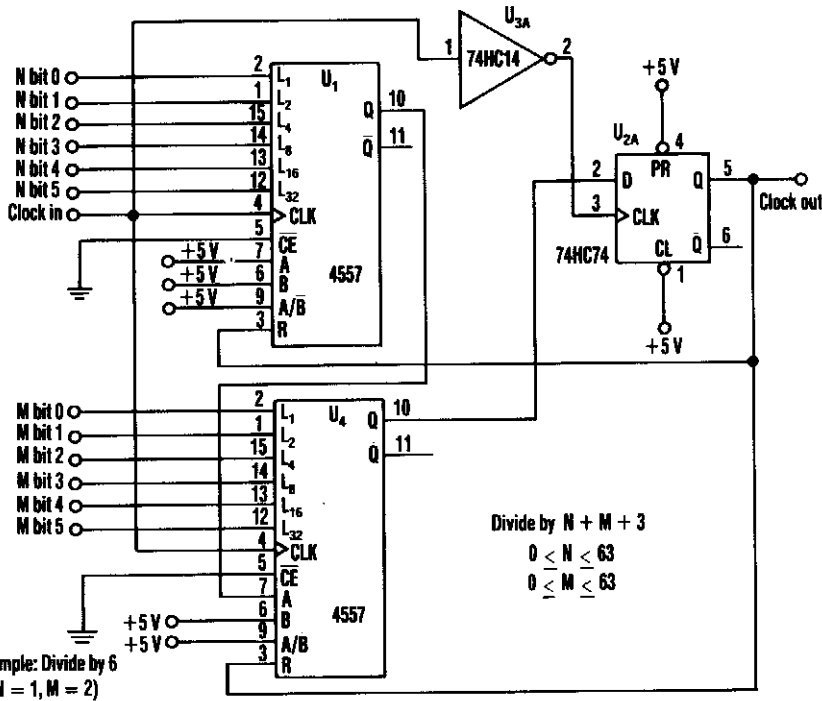
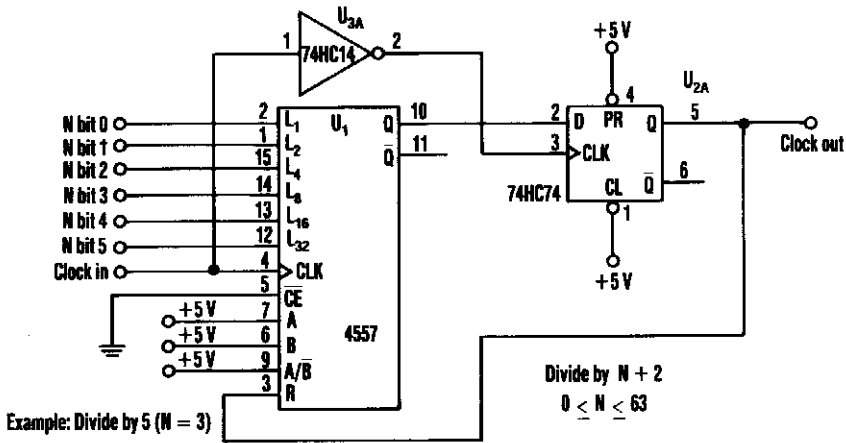
$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \frac{(V_D \times R_1)}{(R_1 + R_2) \times R_3} \\
 &= \frac{(15 \times 3 \text{ k}\Omega)}{(3 \text{ k}\Omega + 12 \text{ k}\Omega) \times 470 \text{ k}\Omega} \\
 &= 6.4 \mu\text{A}
 \end{aligned}$$

The input signal drives ICD. Because ICD's positive input ( $V_+$ ) is slightly offset to  $+0.1 \text{ V}$ , its steady-state output will be near  $+13 \text{ V}$ . This voltage is sent to ICC through D2, setting ICC's output to  $+13 \text{ V}$ . Therefore, point D is cut off by D1, and C1 is charged by the current source. Assuming the initial voltage on C1 is zero, the maximum voltage ( $V_{C_{\max}}$ ) is given by:

$$t_{w_{\text{clk}}} > t_{p_{\text{ff}}} + dt + t_{p_{\text{sr}}} + t_{w_{\text{ff}}}$$

The right side of the inequality should be the minimum pulse width (either up time or down time) of the input clock. The circuit, when constructed with standard 74F-type parts, operates without any added delay in the exclusive-OR feedback path and with an input frequency of up to  $22.5 \text{ MHz}$ . The circuit's output signal will have the same duty cycle as the input clock.

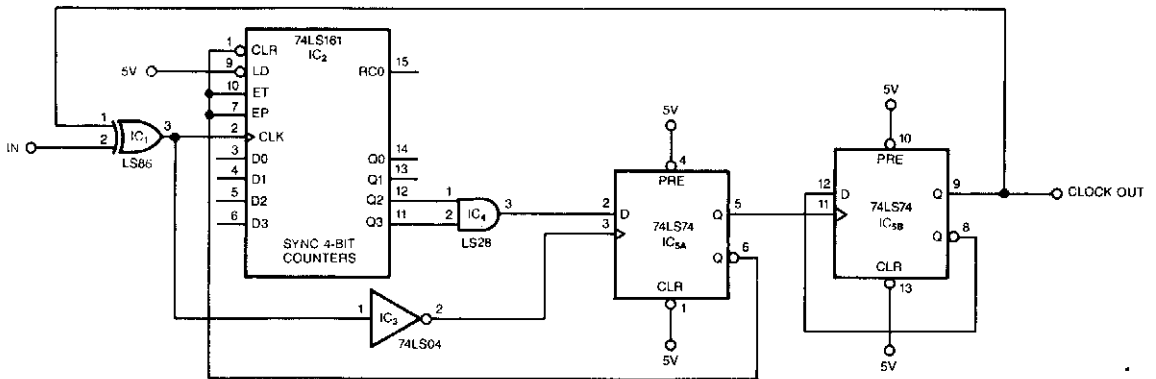
# PROGRAMMABLE FREQUENCY DIVIDER



## PROGRAMMABLE FREQUENCY DIVIDER (Cont.)

This divider uses a variable-length shift register, a type-D flip-flop, and an inverter. The clock feeds the flip-flop clock input and the output of the shift register feeds the D input of the flip-flop. The FF output is tied back to the reset input of the shift register so that each clock pulse shifts a "1" into the 4557.  $N + 1$  cycles after the reset pulse is removed. The first "1" will propagate through the register output. The "1" is latched into the FF on the clock's next falling edge and fed back to the 4557 reset pin, which resets the shift register to zero. When a zero is clocked into the flip-flop on the next falling clock edge, the reset is removed, restarting the process. The divide ratio is  $(N + 2)$ , where  $N$  = the binary number that is programmed into 4557.

## DIVIDE-BY-ODD-NUMBER COUNTER



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Fig. 26-3

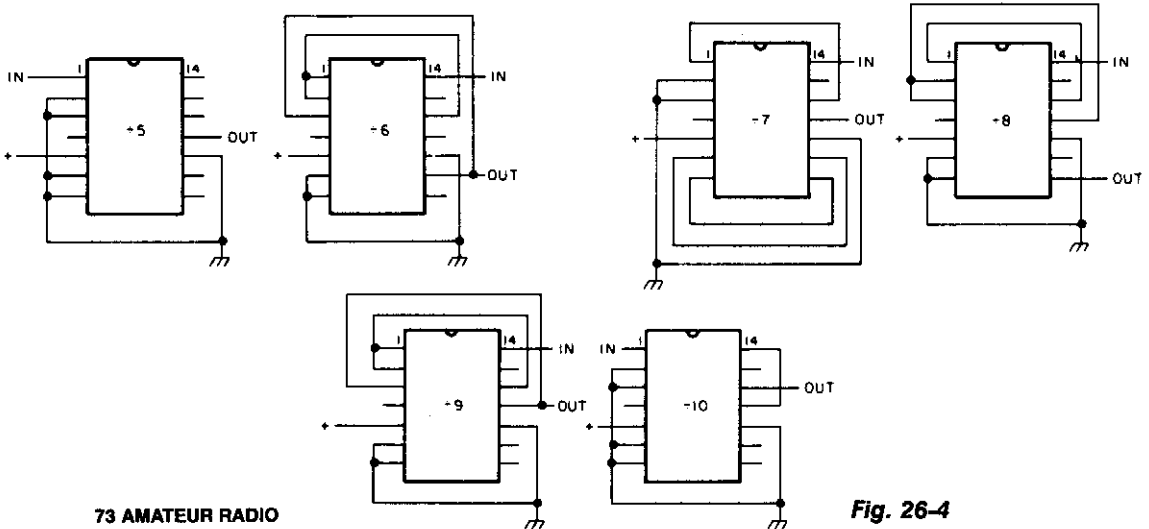
This circuit symmetrically divides an input by virtually any odd number. The circuit contains  $n + 1/2$  clocks twice to achieve the desired divisor. By selecting the proper  $n$ , which is the decoded output of the 74LS161 counter, you can obtain divisors from 3 to 31. This circuit divides by 25; you can obtain higher divisors by cascading additional LS161 counters.

The counter and IC5A form the  $n + 1/2$  counter. Once the counter reaches the decoded counts,  $n$ , IC5A ticks off an additional  $1/2$  clock, which clears the counter and puts it in hold. Additionally, IC5A clocks IC5B, which changes the clock phasing through the XOR gate, IC1. The next edge of the input clocks IC5A, which reenables the counter to start counting for an additional  $n + 1/2$  cycles.

Although the circuit has been tested at 16 MHz, a worst-case timing analysis reveals that the maximum input frequency is between 7 and 8 MHz.



## 7490 ÷ N CIRCUITS



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Fig. 26-4

A 7490, 74LS90, 74C90, etc., is a decade divider, but it can be configured to divide by any  $N$  up to 10. The above figures illustrate the connections necessary to divide by  $N$  from 5 to 10.

## DIVIDE-BY-2-OR-3 CIRCUIT

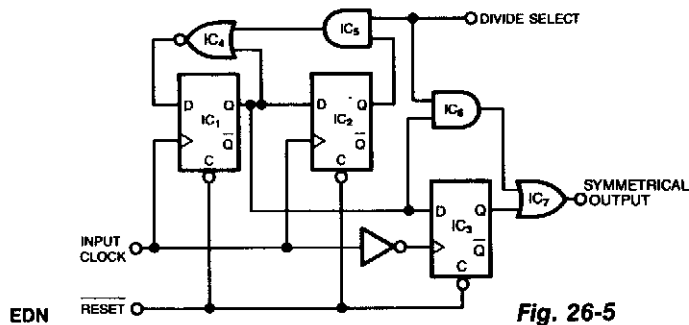


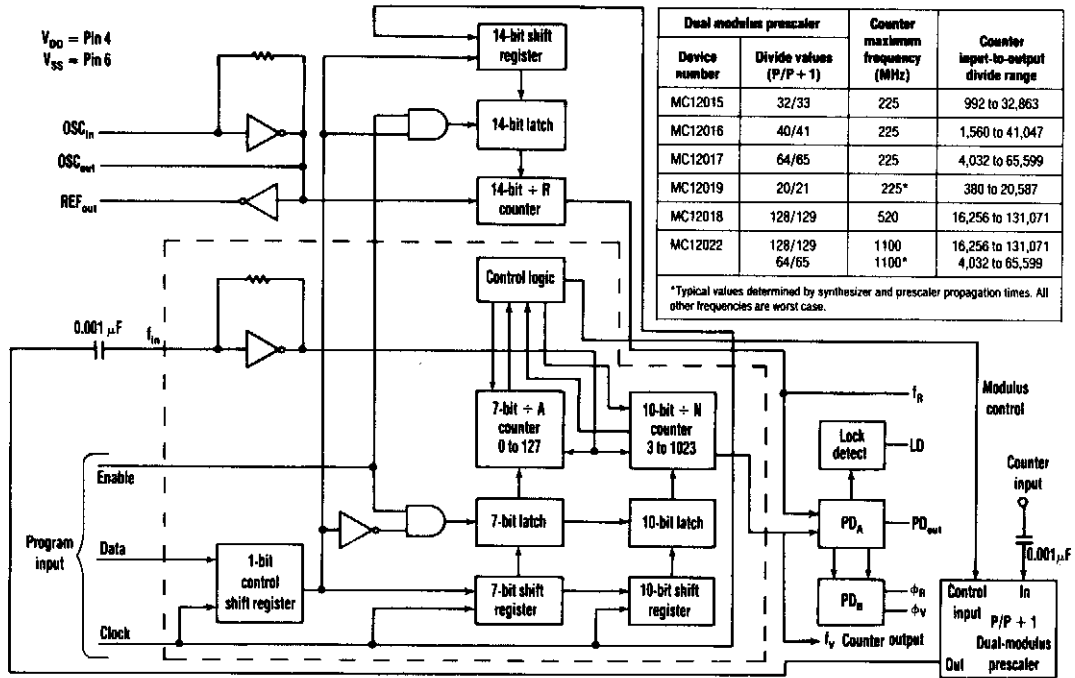
Fig. 26-5

This circuit produces a symmetrical waveform when dividing by either 2 or 3. The Divide Select input controls the division factor. When Divide Select is high, flip-flops IC1 and IC2, along with associated gates, form the classical divide-by-3 circuit.

When divide select is low, however, the output of the AND gate, IC5, goes low. Consequently, the NOR gate, IC4, inverts the feedback signal and passes it to the D input of the flip-flop, IC1. Now, IC1 acts like a toggle flip-flop and produces a divide-by-2 output.

IC3, which is, in effect, a negative-edge-triggered flip-flop, provides symmetrical output signals. When you select division by 2 (Divide Select is low), the output and AND gate IC6 is low, and IC3 simply clocks out the divider's output, delayed by one clock period. When you set Divide Select high, the path to the output through the AND and OR gates, IC6 and IC7, is enabled. This path means that the output goes high on the leading edge of IC3's input (not its output) and produces a symmetrical divide-by-3 output.

## 1 + -GHz DIVIDE-BY-N COUNTER



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 26-6

Counter speeds for CMOS- and TTL-programmable counters are limited to under 100 MHz. ECL-type devices can approach a few hundred MHz, but with significant current requirements. However, coupling the dual-modulus-prescaling technique with the available phase-locked-loop synthesizer chips that control the prescaler circumvents these frequency and power-drain constraints.

With this approach, designers can also choose various counter-programming schemes (serial, parallel, or data bus), in addition to achieving higher frequency capabilities. Low-power drain (less than 75 mW) and low-cost devices can also be selected. Moreover, only two ICs are necessary to achieve divide values above 131 000.

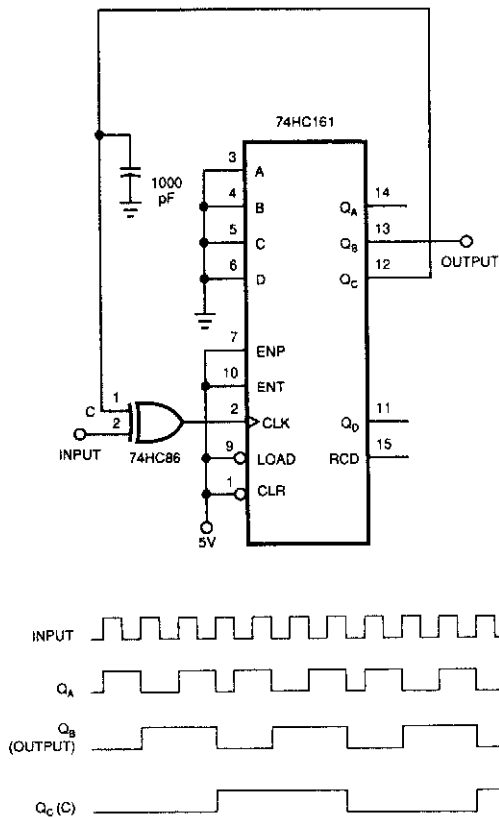
Maximum input frequency and dividing range for the counter are controlled by choosing an appropriate 8-pin dual-modulus prescaler. The counter's output appears at synthesizer pin  $F_V$  (see the figure). The total input-to-output divide value is governed by the equation:

$$N_{\text{TOTAL}} = N \times P + A$$

$N$  and  $A$  represent the value programmed through the serial port into the divide-by- $N$  and divide-by- $A$  counters.  $P$  is the lower dual-modulus value that is established by the synthesizer's modulus-control signal.

Typically,  $A$  varies from zero to  $P - 1$  to achieve steps within the system's divide range.  $N$  must be equal to or greater than  $A$ .  $N > A$  then sets a lower limit on  $N_{\text{TOTAL}}$ , which is dictated by  $A_{\text{MAX}} = P - 1$ .

## DIVIDE-BY- $N + 1/2$ CIRCUIT



**Table 1—XOR feedback signals for  $N + 1/2$  divider**

| Divide number | Feedback signal(s)  |
|---------------|---|
| N = 1.5       | Q <sub>1</sub>  |
| N = 2.5       | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>2</sub>                               |
| N = 3.5       | Q <sub>2</sub>  |
| N = 4.5       | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>3</sub>                               |
| N = 5.5       | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>3</sub>                |
| N = 6.5       | Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>3</sub>                               |
| N = 7.5       | Q <sub>3</sub>  |
| N = 8.5       | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>4</sub>                               |
| N = 9.5       | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>4</sub>                |
| N = 10.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>4</sub> |
| N = 11.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>4</sub>                |
| N = 12.5      | Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>3</sub>                               |
| N = 13.5      | Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>4</sub>                |
| N = 14.5      | Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>4</sub>                               |
| N = 15.5      | Q <sub>4</sub>  |
| N = 16.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>5</sub>                               |
| N = 17.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>3</sub> Q <sub>5</sub>                |
| N = 18.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>3</sub> Q <sub>5</sub> |
| N = 19.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>5</sub>                |
| N = 20.5      | Q <sub>0</sub> Q <sub>1</sub> Q <sub>2</sub> Q <sub>5</sub> |

**Fig. 26-7**

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This circuit, instead of dividing by an integer, divides the input signal by  $N + 1/2$ . With the feedback connections exactly as the figure shows, the circuit divides by 3.5. Point C ultimately controls when the input clocks the 74HC161 4-bit counter. When  $C = 0$ , the positive edge of the input triggers the counter. If  $C = 1$ , the negative edge of the input triggers the counter. Each time that point C changes level, the circuit shortens the output pulse width of the counter by half of an input cycle. Thus, the counter's divisor depends on how many changes occur at point C during one output period.

Although the figure divides by 3.5, feeding back different counter outputs produces different divisors. Generally, an  $m$ -bit binary counter with pure exclusive-OR (XOR) feedback can form an  $N + 1/2$  counter, where  $N$  ranges from  $2^{m-2} + 1/2$  to  $2^{m-1} - 1/2$ . The divided output is available at the  $m-1$  bit of the counter.

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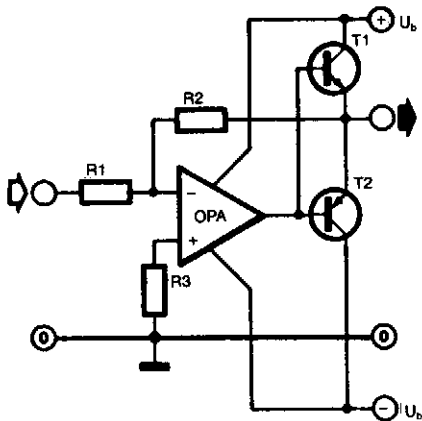
## Driver Circuits

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Op Amp Power Driver  
Emitter/Follower LED Driver  
Flip-Flop Independent Lamp Driver

## OP AMP POWER DRIVER



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Fig. 27-1(a)

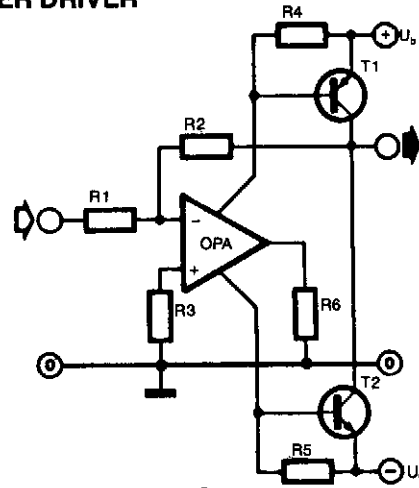


Fig. 27-1(b)

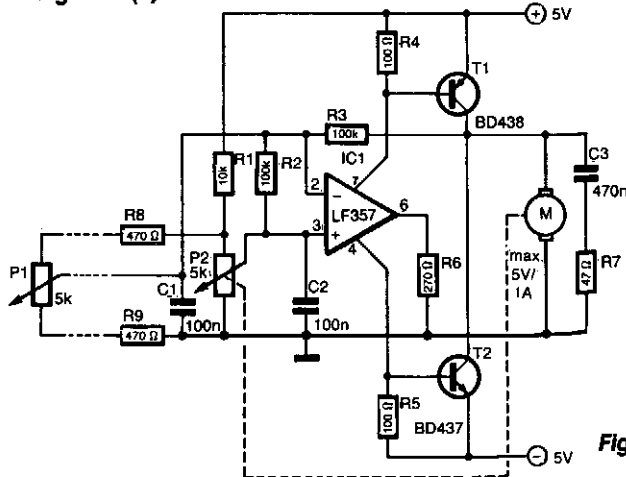


Fig. 27-1(c)

Frequently, the output current of an operational amplifier is inadequate for the application as, for instance, when a small motor or loudspeaker has to be driven. Normally, this is resolved by adding an emitter follower to the circuit as shown in Fig. 27-1(a). Unfortunately, that circuit does not allow the full supply voltage,  $U_b$ , to be used, because the output voltage of the op amp must always be 1 to 2 V smaller than  $\pm U_b$ . To that must be added the drop across the base-emitter junction of transistors T1 and T2.

The circuit shown in Fig. 27-1(b) (principle) and Fig. 27-1(c) (practical) is a more appropriate solution: it was designed specifically for driving small motors. Since the output current of the op amp flows through its supply lines, the driver transistors may also be controlled over these lines.

The value of base-emitter resistors R4 and R5 has been chosen to ensure that in spite of the quiescent current through the op amp, T1 and T2 are switched off. Resistor R6 limits the output current of the op amp. If the op amp is a type with guaranteed short-circuit protection, R6 may be replaced by a jump lead.

The output voltage is only 50 to 100 mV (collector-emitter saturation voltage of the driver transistors) smaller than the supply voltage. When choosing these transistors, it is therefore essential to take into account the saturation voltage (in addition to the maximum current amplification and power rating).

## OP AMP POWER DRIVER (Cont.)

The value of the resistors in an inverting circuit is calculated from:

$$\alpha = \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

and:

$$R_3 \approx \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

where  $\alpha$  is the amplification.

In a noninverting circuit ( $R_1$  between the  $-$  input and ground and the input signal connected to the  $+$  input of the op amp), the amplification is:

$$\alpha = \frac{R_2}{(R_1 + 1)}$$

and:

$$R_3 < < R_e$$

$$R_4 < \frac{+\alpha}{= U_b}$$

$$R_5 < \frac{-0.5\alpha}{U_b}$$

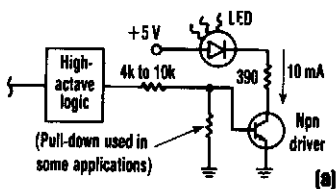
$$R_6 \approx \frac{U_b}{I_{max}}$$

where  $R_e$  is the input impedance of the op amps.

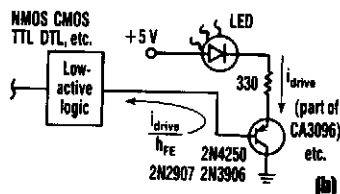
The circuit can be used with discrete (single) op amps only, because double or quadruple types in one package share the supply voltage pins. The setting accuracy of the circuit in Fig. 27-1(c) is better than 1%.

## EMITTER/FOLLOWER LED DRIVER

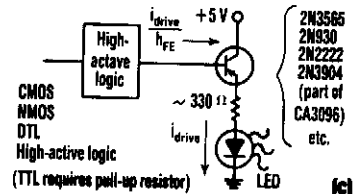
### TYPICAL NPN LED DRIVER



### PNP EF LED DRIVER



### NPN EF DRIVER



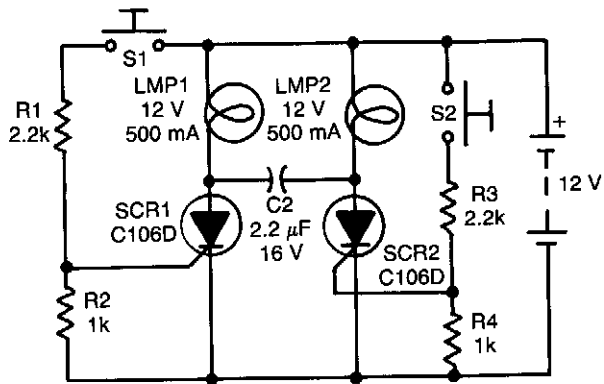
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 27-2

Using emitter/followers saves parts and simplifies LED driver circuits and generally produces less loading on logic circuitry.

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## FLIP-FLOP INDEPENDENT LAMP DRIVER



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Fig. 27-3

Assume first that SCR1 is on and SCR2 is off so that C1 is fully charged, with its LMP2 end positive. The state of the circuit can be changed by pressing S2. As SCR2 turns on, it turns SCR1 off capacitively via its anode. Capacitor C1 then recharges in the opposite manner (i.e., the left end is now positive). The state of the circuit can be changed again by pressing S1, thus driving SCR1 on by way of its gate, and driving SCR2 off capacitively via its anode.

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## Electronic Locks

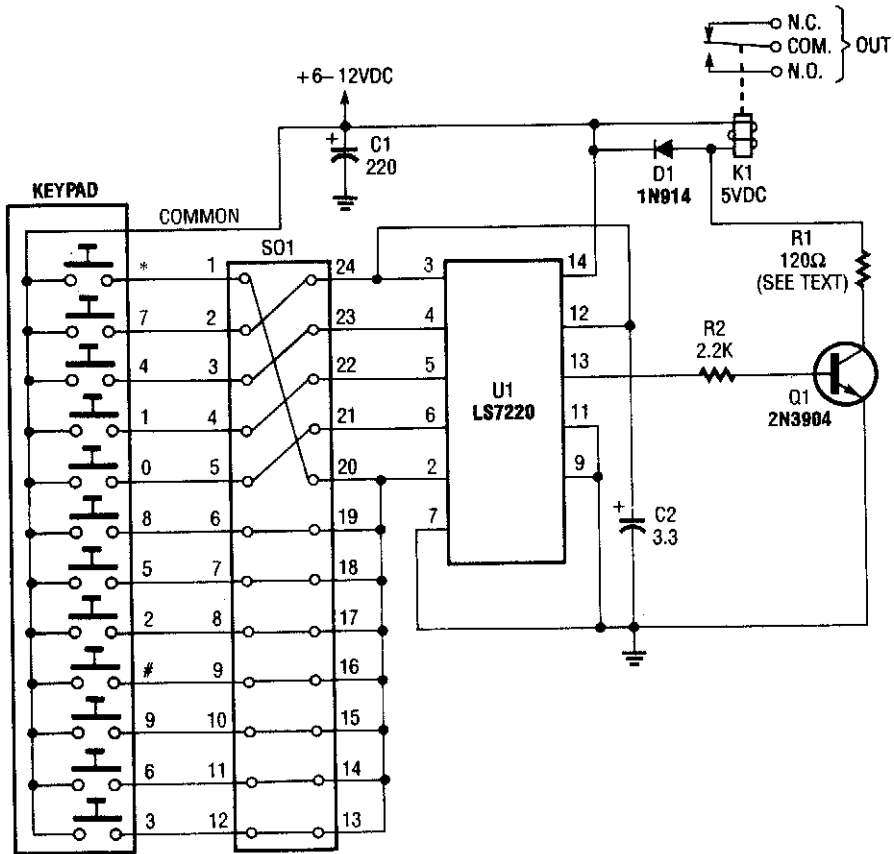
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 665. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Digital Entry Lock  
Keyless Lock



## DIGITAL ENTRY LOCK

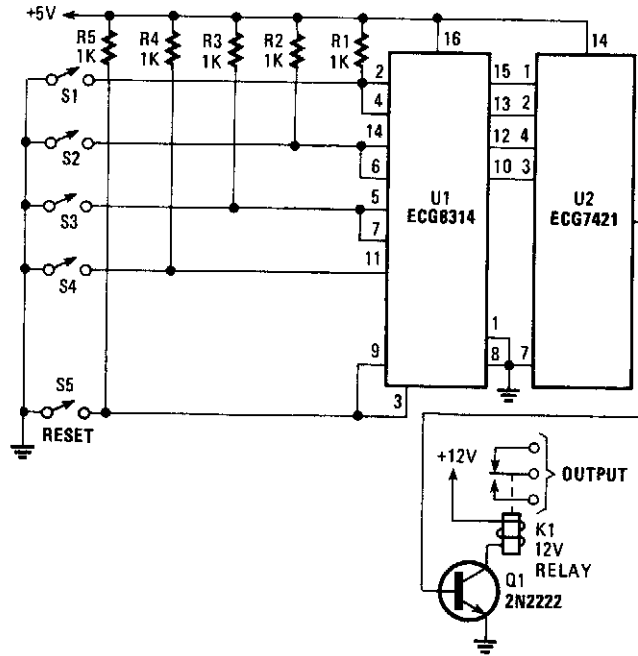


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**Fig. 28-1**

A keypad enters a four-digit access code, which is programmed via jumpers on a 24-pin plug-in header and socket. U1 is an LST220, which detects a four-digit sequential data input. When the correct data is entered into the keyboard, pin 13 of U1 goes high, which activates Q1 and K1. K1 drives an external electric lock solenoid, etc.

## KEYLESS LOCK



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 28-2

The circuit uses a four-bit latch (U1). What makes the circuit sequential is that the set input of the first bit latch is tied to the reset of the second bit latch, and so forth. That ensures that any bit latched will be reset by the previous bit latch. The ECG8314 also has a master reset (pin 9) that is tied to the first bit-latch reset (pin 3), which provides an added measure of security for the lock.

The outputs of U1 are fed to a four-input AND gate (U2), then to Q1 (used as switching transistor), which is used to drive relay K1. The EGC8314 has an enable low (pin) that can be used as a timing circuit, if that is desired.

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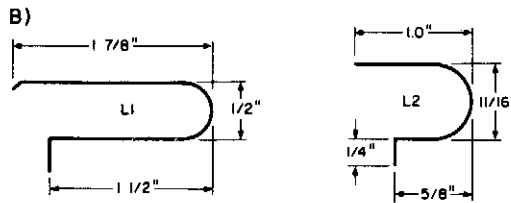
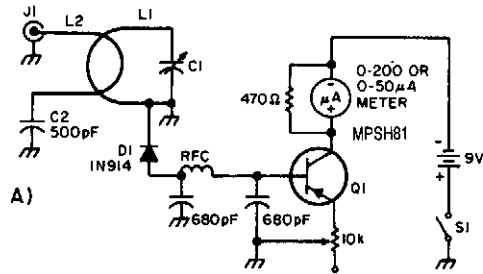
## Field-Strength Meters

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UHF Field-Strength Meter  
Field-Strength Meter  
Signal-Strength Meter

## UHF FIELD-STRENGTH METER



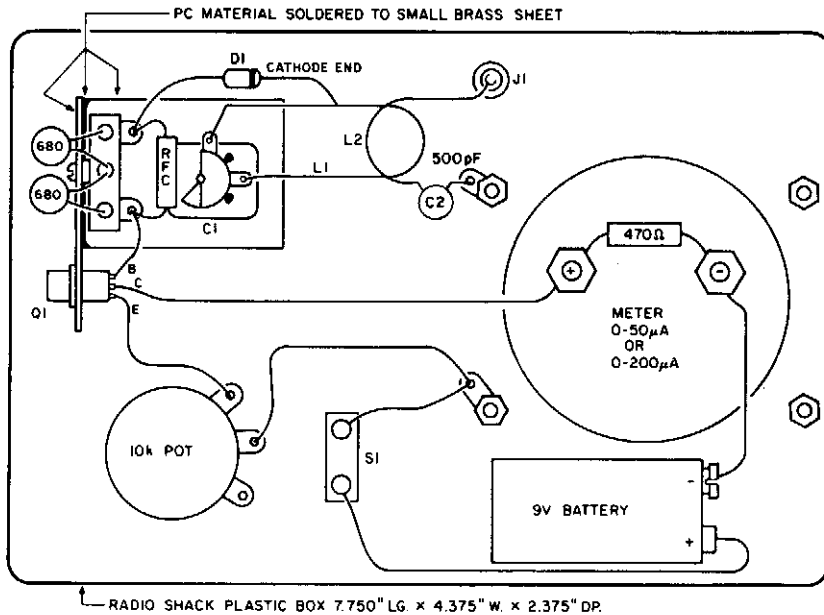
AMATEUR RADIO

3/8" WIDE BRASS

#14 BARE COPPER WIRE

Fig. 29-1(a)

**Field strength meter schematic.**



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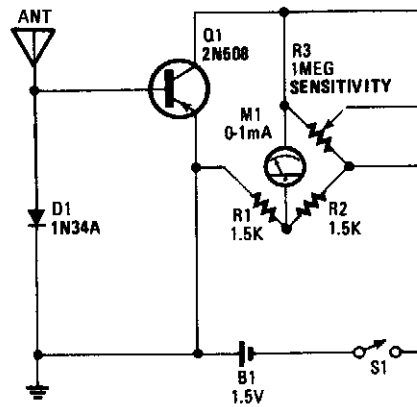
RADIO SHACK PLASTIC BOX 7.750" LG. x 4.375" W. x 2.375" DP.

Fig. 29-1(b)

**Parts layout for the field strength meter.**

Useful for transmitter or antenna alignment, this meter covers 400 to 500 MHz. An amplifier stage is included for improved sensitivity. Follow the layout in Fig. 29-1(b).

## FIELD-STRENGTH METER

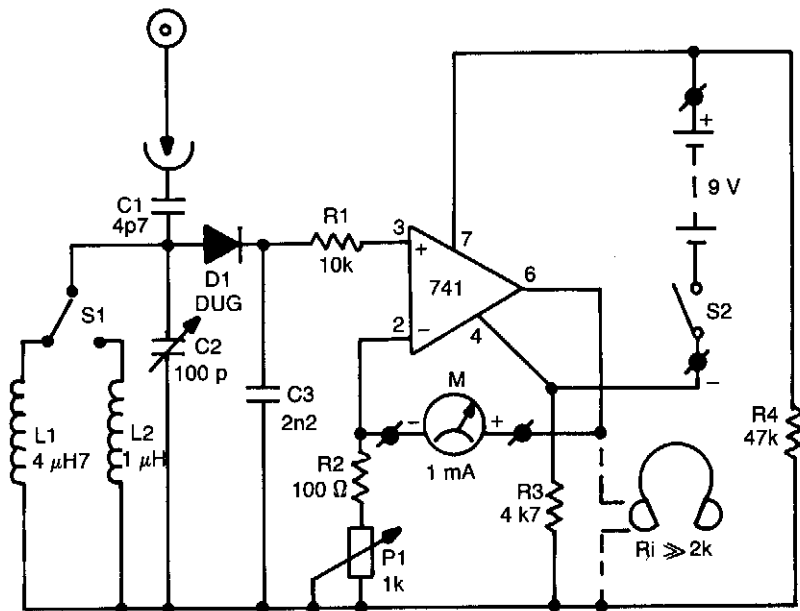


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Fig. 29-2

This field-strength meter is basically a bridge circuit that is equipped with a 0-to-1-mA meter as a readout.

## SIGNAL-STRENGTH METER



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Fig. 29-3

This field-strength meter is useful for antenna testing. It covers 6 to 60 MHz and uses a rugged 0-to-1 mA meter. A 9-V battery supplies power. The unit can be mounted in a small plastic or metal case.

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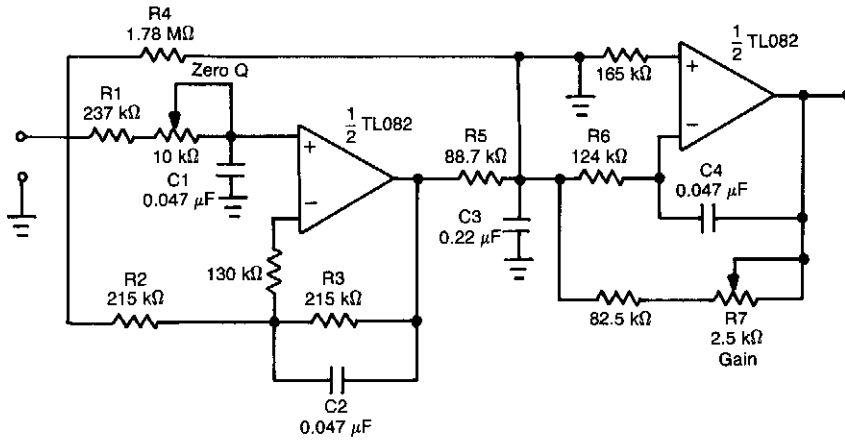
## Filter Circuits

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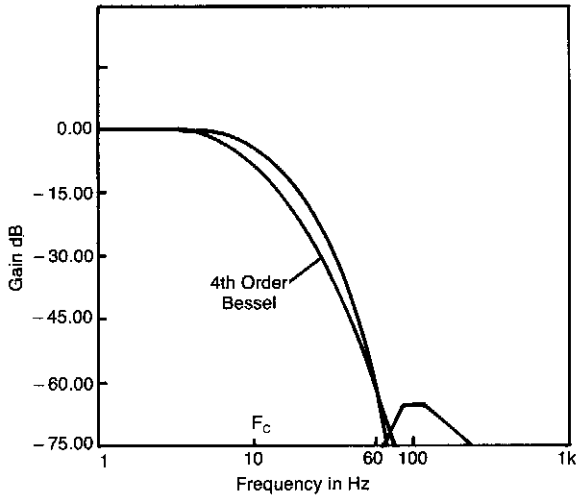
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 665. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Fast-Response (settling) Low-Pass Filter  
Tunable Audio Filter  
Turntable Rumble Filter  
Tunable Bandpass Filter  
Low-Cost Crystal Filters  
Antialiasing and Sync-Compensation Filter  
Two-Section 300-to-3 000 Hz Speech Filter  
300-to-3 400 Hz Second-Order Speech Filter  
Fourth-Order 100-Hz High-Pass Filter  
Simple Ripple Suppressor  
Second-Order 100-Hz High-Pass Filter  
Scratch Filter  
Simple Rumble Filter  
1 000:1 Tuning Voltage-Controlled Filter  
Two Sallen-Key Low-Pass Active Filter

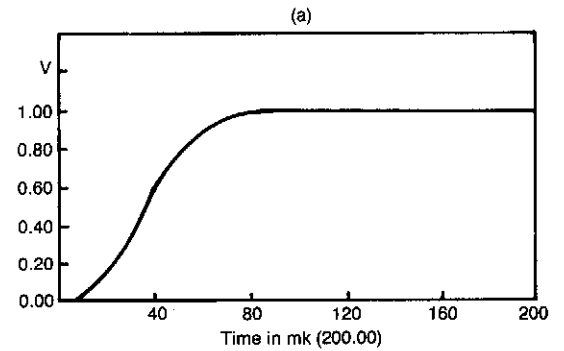
## FAST-RESPONSE (SETTLING) LOW-PASS FILTER



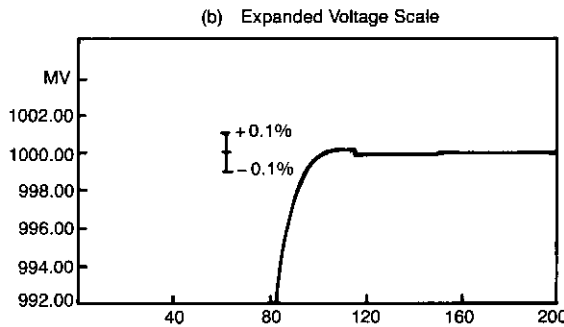
**Fig. 30-1(a)**



**Fig. 30-1(b)**



**Fig. 30-1(c)**



**Fig. 30-1(d)**

## FAST-RESPONSE (SETTLING) LOW-PASS FILTER (Cont.)

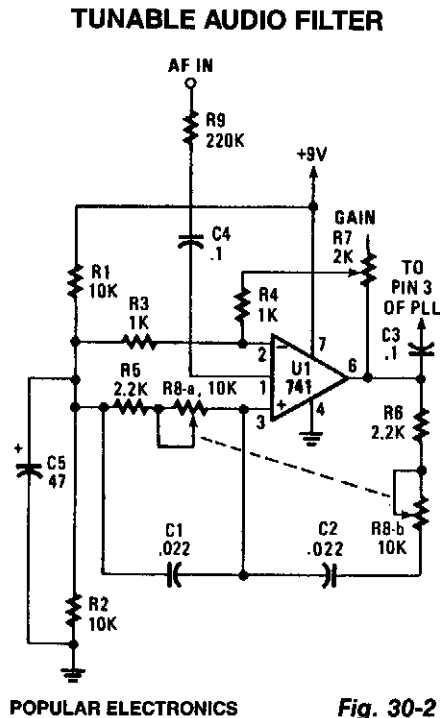
By introducing an extra transmission zero to the stopband of a low-pass filter, a sharp roll-off characteristic can be obtained. The filter design example of Fig. 30-1(a) shows that the time-domain performance of the low-pass section can also be improved. Figure 30-1(b) shows the attenuation characteristic of the proposed circuit. Position of the transmission zero is determined by the passive components around the first op amp. It was chosen to obtain 60 dB of rejection at 60 Hz.

A suitable fourth-order Bessel filter has the frequency response, as shown by the dashed line. Its response to a step input is characterized by settling time to 0.1% of  $1.8 \div F_C = 180$  ms.

Figure 30-1(c) and 30-1(d) represent the step response for the filter of Fig. 30-1(a) in both normal and expanded voltage scales. As you can see, settling time to 0.1% is below 100 ms; overshoot and ringing stay below 0.03%.

This quite significant speed and accuracy improvement can be a major factor, particularly for low-frequency applications. Averaging filter for low-frequency linear or true rms ac-to-dc converters is an example. Some anti-aliasing applications can also be considered.

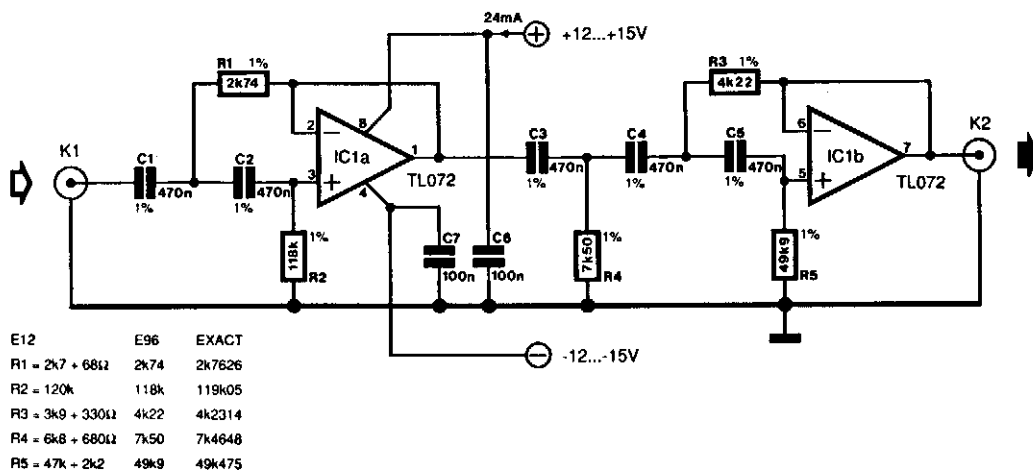
For best results, resistance ratios  $R_4 \div R_5 = 20$ ,  $R_6 \div R_5 = 1.4$ , and capacitance ratios  $C_3 \div C_2 = C_3 \div C_4 = 4.7$  should be kept up for any selected  $F_C$ .



This circuit uses a Wien Bridge and variable negative feedback. R7 controls the gain and R8A and R8B controls the tuned frequency.



## TURNTABLE RUMBLE FILTER



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**Fig. 30-3**

Many record players unfortunately exhibit two undesired side effects: rumble (noise caused by the motor and the turntable) and other low-frequency spurious signals. The active high-pass Chebyshev filter presented here was designed to suppress those noises. The filter has a 0.1-dB ripple characteristic and a cut-off point of 18 Hz.

The choice of a Chebyshev filter might not seem optimum for audio purposes, but because of its 0.1-dB ripple in the pass band it behaves very much like a Butterworth type. Its advantage is that the response has steeper skirts (which are calculated curves). Frequencies below 10 Hz are attenuated by more than 35 dB. The phase behavior in the pass band shows a gradual shift so that its effect on the reproduced sound is inaudible.

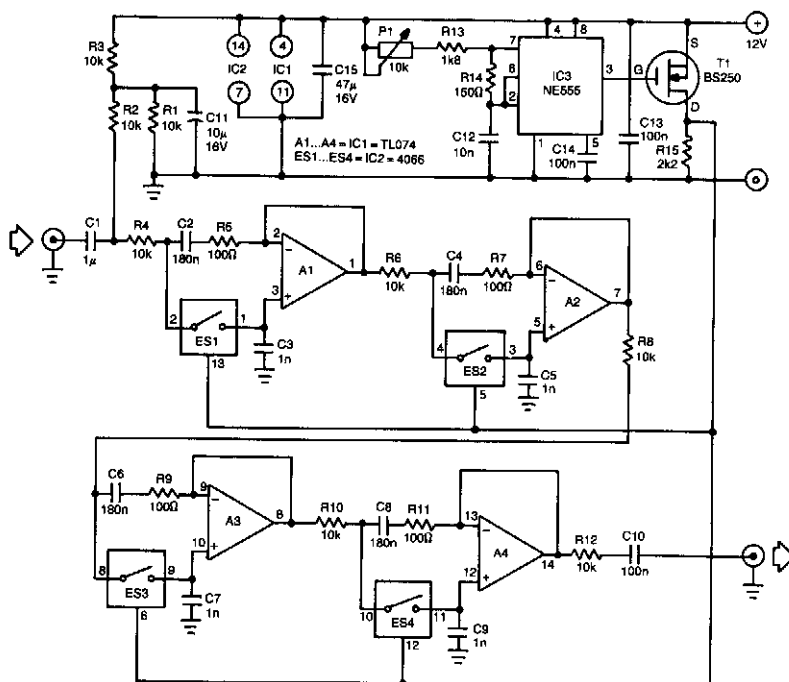
If the filter is used in a stereo installation, the characteristics of both filters must be identical or nearly so. Phase differences between channels can be heard—perhaps not so much at lower frequencies, but certainly in the mid ranges. To ensure identity and also to obtain the desired characteristics, capacitors C1 through C5 must be selected carefully. It does not matter much whether their value is 467 or 473 pF; this difference only causes a slight shift of the cut-off point. However, they must be identical within that 1% tolerance. For symmetry of channels, the capacitors can be paired and then used in either channel at the corresponding position.

The diagram shows theoretical values for the resistors; their practical values are given in the table. The prototype was constructed with 5% metal-film types from the E12 series and these were used without sorting. Their tolerance was perfectly acceptable in practice.

The current drawn by the circuit is purely that through the op amp and it amounts to about 4 mA. The high cut-off point is also determined by the op amp and it lies at about 3 MHz.

The only problem that cannot be foreseen is a possible coupling capacitor in the signal source. That component will be in series with C1 and this might adversely affect the frequency response. However, if its value is greater than 47 μF, it will have little if any effect; if it is below that value, it is best removed; C1 will assume its function.

## TUNABLE BANDPASS FILTER



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Fig. 30-4

One of the difficulties in the design of higher-order tunable bandpass filters is achieving correct tracking of the variable resistors in the RC networks. The use of switched capacitor networks can obviate that difficulty, as is shown in this filter.

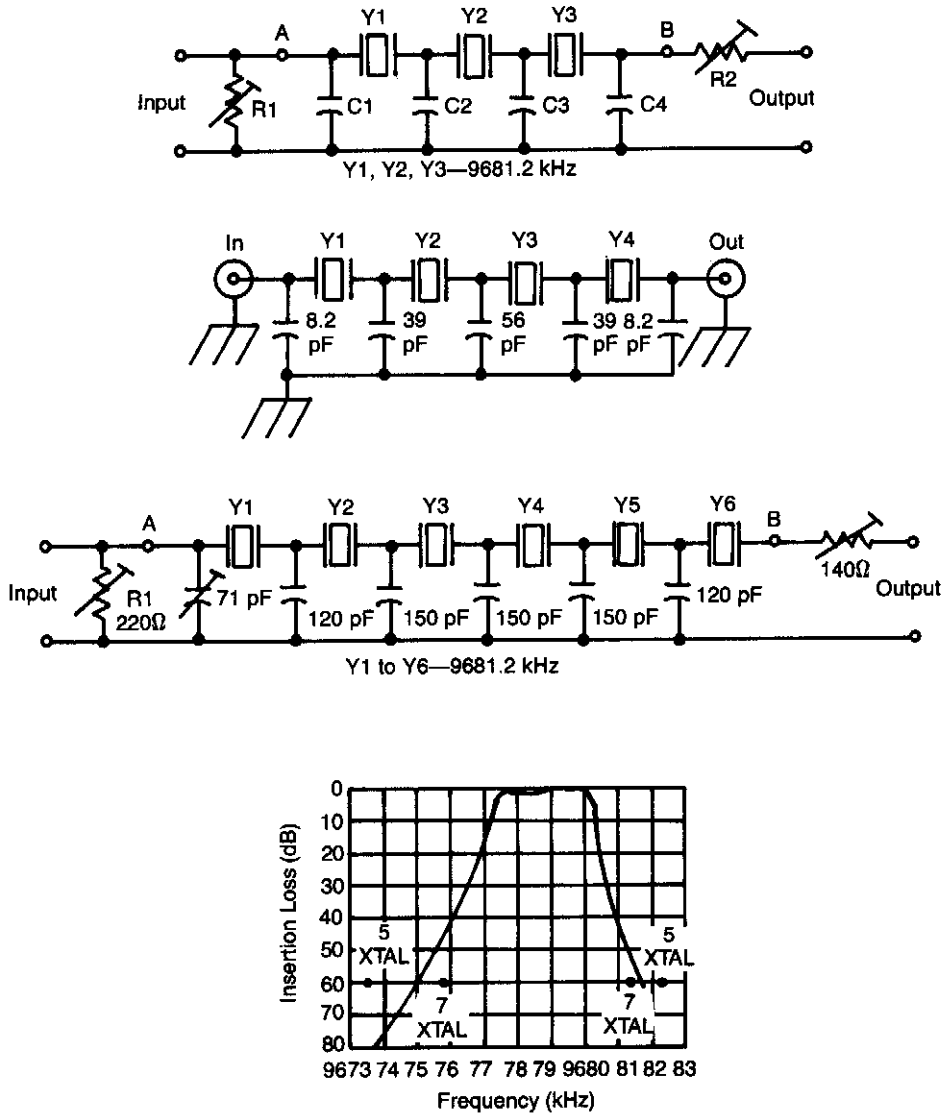
The filter can be divided roughly into two stages: an oscillator that controls the electronic switches and the four phase-shift networks that provide the filtering proper. The oscillator, based on a 555, generates a pulsating signal whose frequency is adjustable over a wide range: the duty factor varies from 1:10 to 100:1.

Electronic switches ES1 through ES4 form the variable resistors whose value is dependent on the frequency of the digital signal. The operation of these switches is fairly simple. When they are closed, their resistance is about 60  $\Omega$ ; when they are open, it is virtually infinitely high. If a switch is closed for, say, 25% of the time, its average resistance is therefore 240  $\Omega$ . Varying the open:closed ratio of each switch varies the equivalent average resistance. The switching rate of the switches must be much greater than the highest audio frequency to prevent audible interference between the audio and the clock signals.

The input signal causes a given direct voltage across C1, so the op amp can be operated in a quasisymmetric manner, in spite of the single supply voltage. The direct voltage is removed from the output signal by capacitor C10.

The fourth-order filter in the diagram can be used over the entire audio range and it has an amplification of about 40, although this depends to some extent on the clock frequency. The bandwidth depends mainly on the set frequency. The circuit draws a current of not more than 15 mA.

## LOW-COST CRYSTAL FILTERS

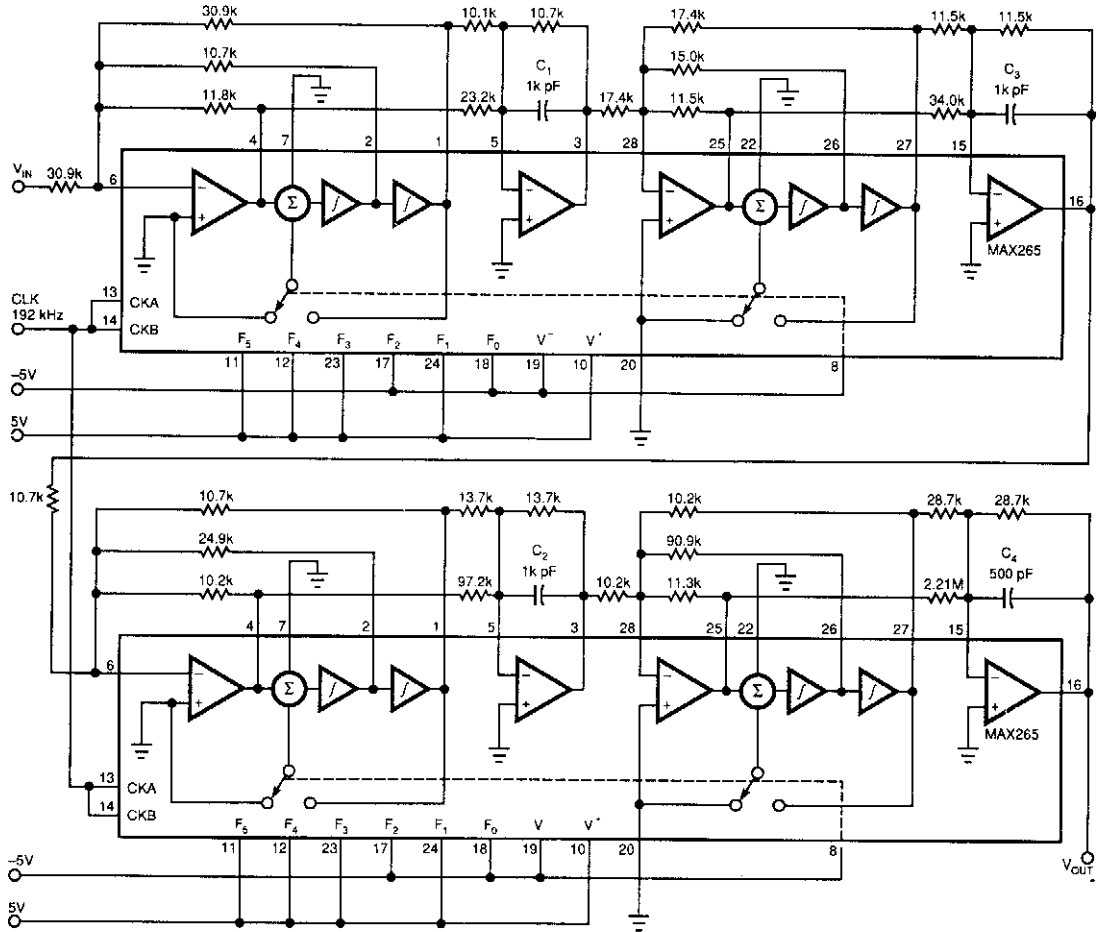


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**Fig. 30-5**

Low-cost CB crystals can be used for these 9-MHz crystal ladder filters. Notice that the 27-MHz crystals (3rd overtone) are used on their fundamental frequencies.

## ANTI\_ALIASING AND SYNC-COMPENSATION FILTER



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**Fig. 30-6**

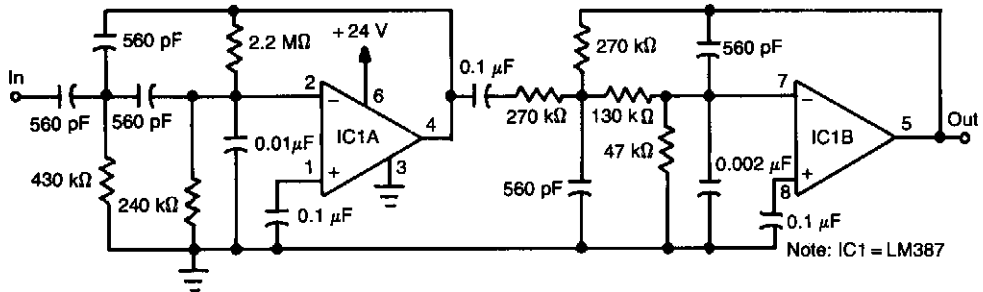
Two dual-biquad filter chips and some external components form a multipurpose filter to reconstruct D/A converter signals. Connected to a converter's output, the filter provides antialiasing, reduces the D/A converter's quantization noise, and compensates for  $\sin(\pi x) \div (\pi x)$ —the "sync" function (attenuation).

The circuit incorporates an inverse-sync function that operates to one-third of the converter's sample rate. Beyond one-third, the filter's response shifts to a stopband filter, which provides -70 dB attenuation. This attenuation conforms to the converter's inherent signal-to-noise ratio and quantization error.

To prevent aliasing, the stopband edge must be no higher than the Nyquist frequency ( $f_{sn} \div 2$ ). To achieve 70-dB stopband rejection with this eighth-order filter requires a transition ratio ( $f_{STOPBAND} \div f_{PASSBAND}$ ) of 1.5, which sets the passband's upper limit at  $f_s \div 3$ .

Notice also that you can apply a simple divide-by-64 circuit to the 192-kHz clock frequency to set the necessary  $3 \times$  ratio between the converter's sample rate and the filter's 1-kHz corner frequency. The  $V^+$ ,  $V^-$ , and the  $F_0$  through  $F_5$  connections program each filter chip for an  $f_{CLK}/f_0$  ratio of 191.64.

## TWO-SECTION 300-3 000 Hz SPEECH FILTER

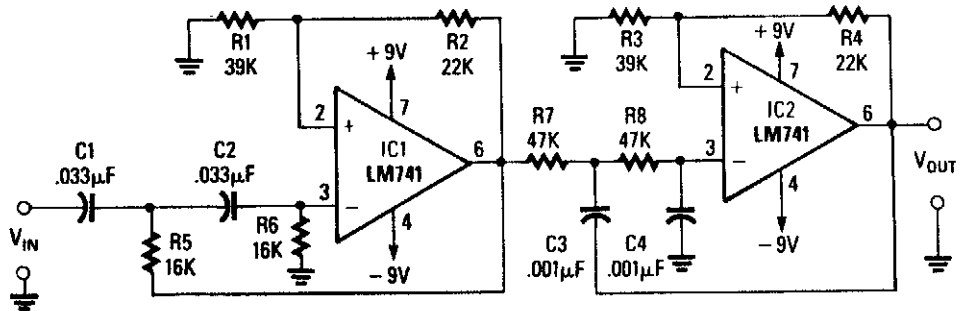


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Fig. 30-7

An LM387 dual low-noise amplifier is used in an active filter. Both sections are used to produce second-order HP and LP filters, respectively.

## 300-to-3 400 Hz SECOND-ORDER SPEECH FILTER

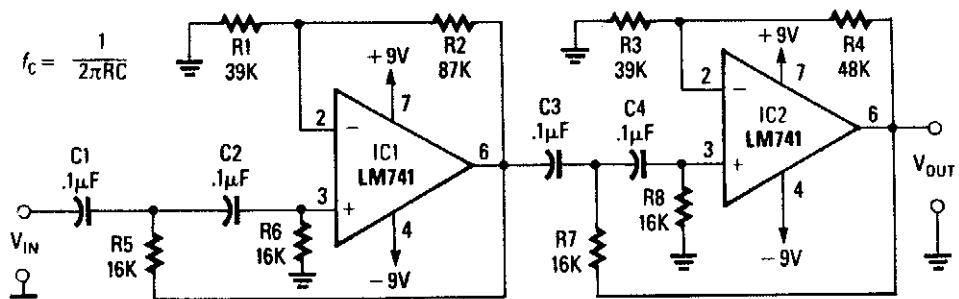


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 30-8

Using two op amps, this filter is designed for second-order response. It has a bandpass of 300 to 3 400 Hz, for applications in speech or telephone work.

## FOURTH-ORDER 100-Hz HIGH-PASS FILTER

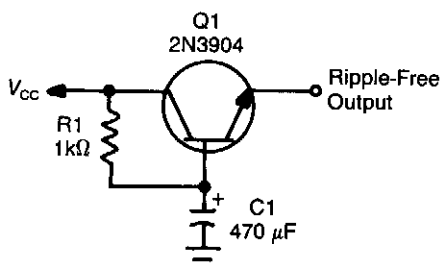


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 30-9

This filter, using two sections of LM741, can be scaled in frequency, if desired.

### SIMPLE RIPPLE SUPPRESSOR

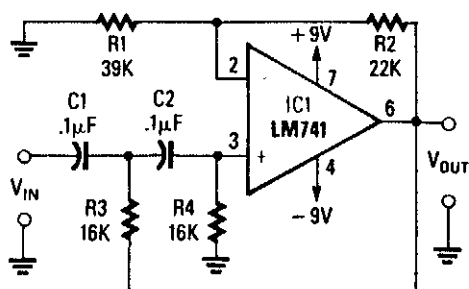


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 30-10

This circuit, at times called a *capacitance multiplier*, is useful for suppression of power-supply ripple. C1 provides filtering that is equal to a capacitor of  $(B + 1) C_1$ , where  $B = \text{dc current gain of Q1}$  (typically  $> 50$ ).

### SECOND-ORDER 100-Hz HIGH-PASS FILTER



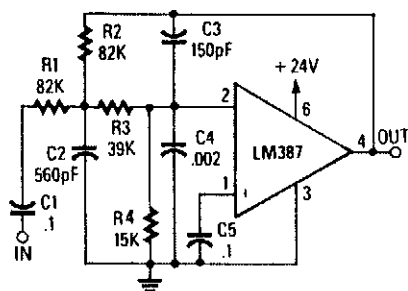
$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 30-11

This second-order filter can be scaled to change the cutoff frequencies.

### SCRATCH FILTER

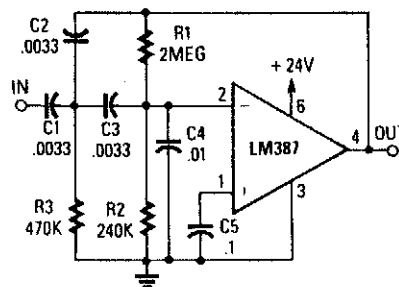


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Fig. 30-12

Designed to produce 12-dB/octave roll-off above the 10-kHz cutoff frequency, this LP active filter will help reduce needle scratch on records. It uses an LM387 low-noise amplifier IC.

### SIMPLE RUMBLE FILTER

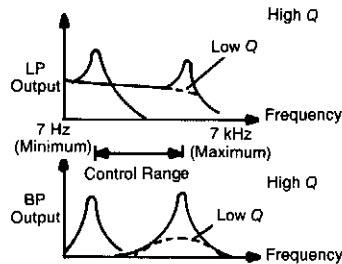
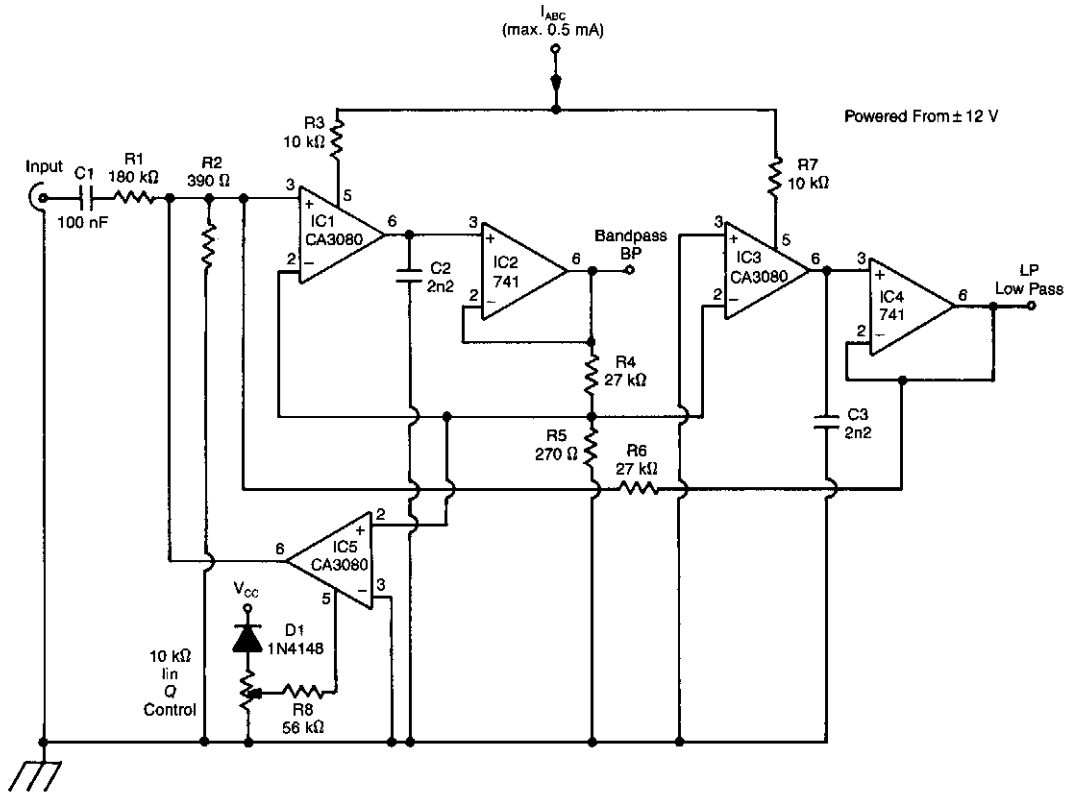


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Fig. 30-13

This circuit is a two-section active HP filter using an LM387, with a cutoff below 50 Hz at 12-dB per octave. It will help reduce rumble as a result of turntable defects in record systems.

# 1 000:1 TUNING VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED FILTER

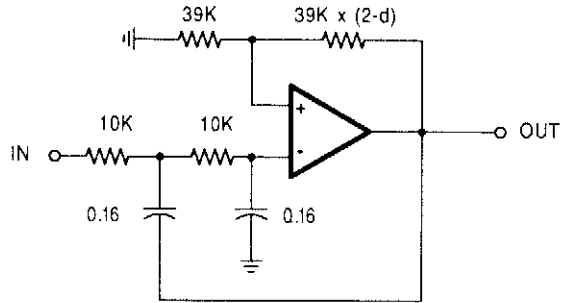


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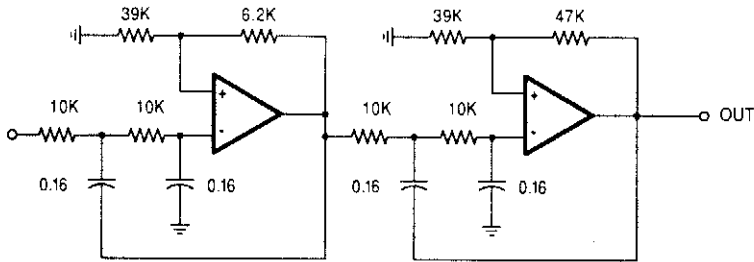
Fig. 30-14

A standard dual integrator filter can be constructed using a few CA3080s. By varying  $I_{ABC}$ , the resonant frequency can be swept over a 1 000:1 range. At IC1, three are current-controlled integrators. At IC2, four are voltage followers that serve to buffer the high-impedance outputs of the integrators. A third CA3080 (IC5) is used to control the Q factor of the filter. The resonant frequency of the filter is linearly proportional to  $I_{ABC}$ . Hence, this unit is very useful in producing electronic music. Two outputs are produced: a low-pass and a bandpass response.

## TWO Sallen-Key Low-Pass Active Filters



(A) SIMPLE SECOND ORDER SALLEN-KEY SECTION



(B) FOURTH ORDER BUTTERWORTH LOW PASS AUDIO FILTER

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Fig. 30-15

These filters are designed for  $10\text{-k}\Omega$  impedance level and  $1\text{-kHz}$  cutoff frequency, but the components can be scaled as required for other impedances and cutoff frequencies.



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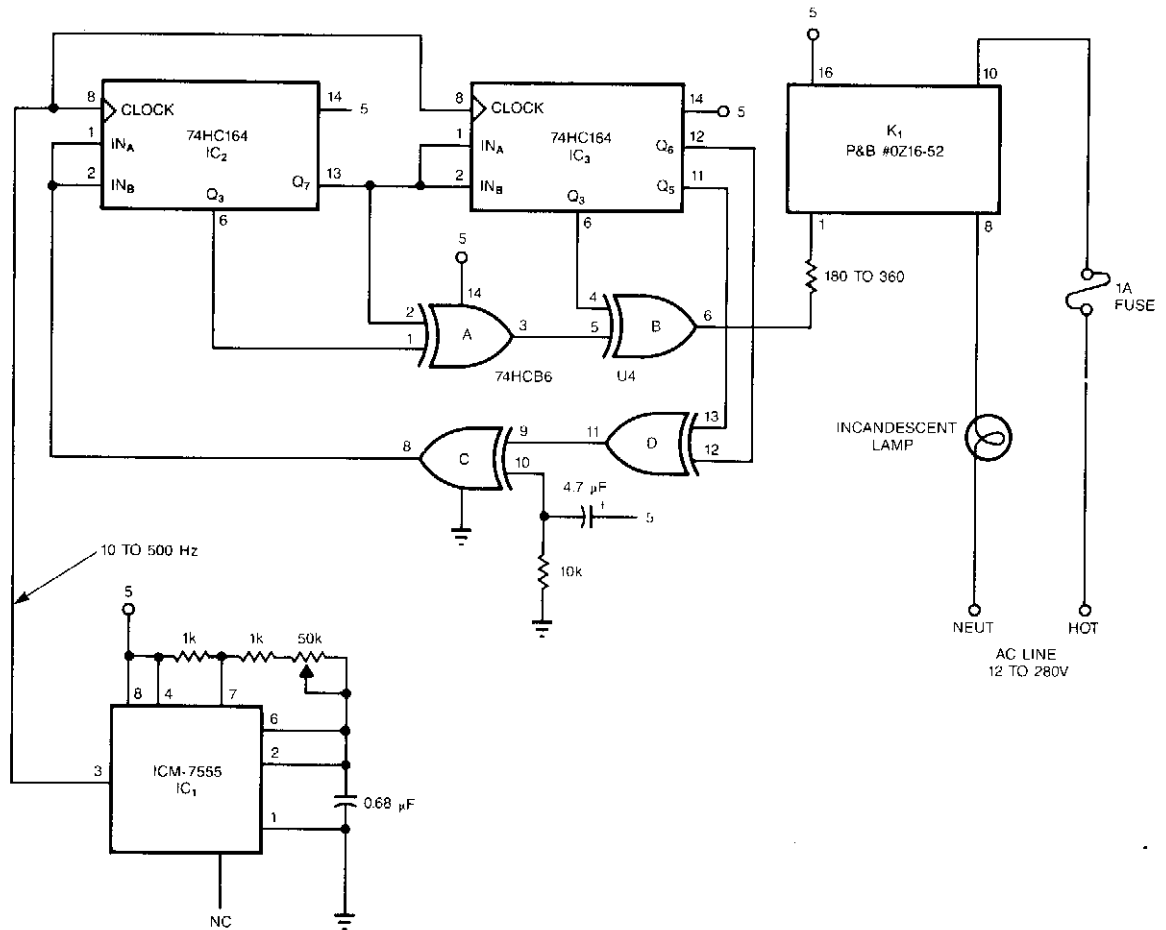
## Flashers and Blinkers

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Pseudorandom Simulated Flicker Sequencer  
Xenon Flasher  
Strobe Alarm  
Sequential Flasher  
LED Flasher  
Sequential LED Flasher with Reversible Direction  
Multivibrator with LEDs  
Flashing LED Controller  
Flicker Light

## PSEUDORANDOM SIMULATED FLICKER SEQUENCER



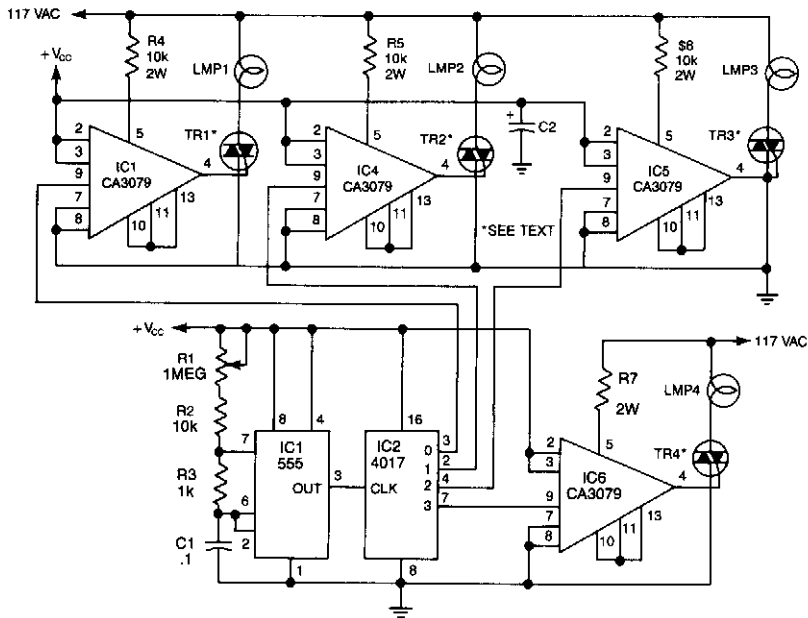
**Fig. 31-1**

The pseudorandom sequencer drives a solid-state relay. If you power a low-wattage lamp from the relay, the lamp will appear to flicker like a candle's flame in the wind; using higher-wattage lamps allows you to simulate the blaze of a fireplace or campfire. You can enhance the effect by using three or more such circuits to power an array of lamps.

The circuit comprises an oscillator, IC1, and a 15-stage, pseudorandom sequencer, IC2-4. The sequencer produces a serial bit stream that repeats only every 32 767 bits. Feedback from the sequencer's stages 14 and 15 go through IC4D and back to the serial input of IC2. Notice the RC network that feeds IC4C; the network feeds a positive pulse into the sequencer to ensure that it won't get stuck with all zeros at power-up. The leftover XOR gates IC4A and IC4B further scramble the pattern. The serial stream from IC4B drives a solid-state relay that features zero-voltage switching and can handle loads as high as 1 A at 12 to 280 Vac.



## SEQUENTIAL FLASHER



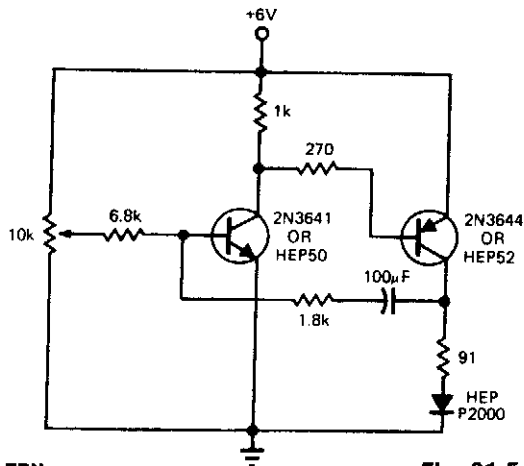
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**Fig. 31-4**

Using a 555 timer to drive a CMOS counter, this device uses RCA CA3079 zero-voltage switch to control triacs TR1 through TR4. This circuit can be used to sequence lamp displays, etc.

**Caution:** The CA3079s are connected to the 117-V line, as is the clock and counter circuit and their power supplies. Use caution, good insulation, and safe construction practices.

## LED FLASHER

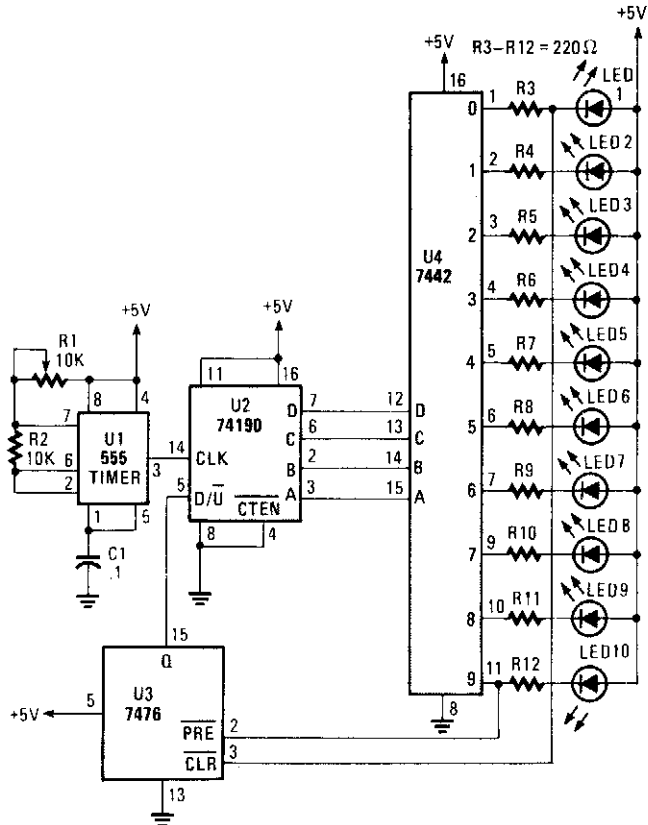


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**Fig. 31-5**

This circuit is designed to flash an LED. The 100-µF capacitor can be changed to alter the flash rate as desired.

## SEQUENTIAL LED FLASHER WITH REVERSIBLE DIRECTION

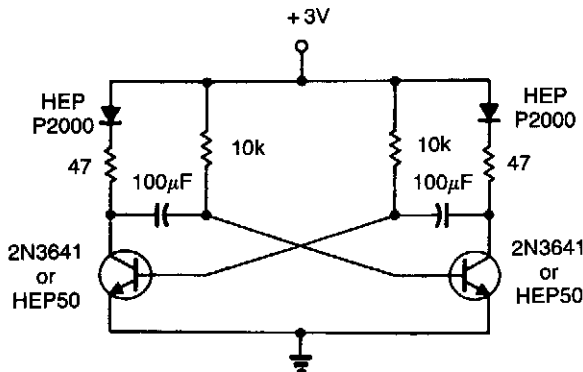


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig.31-6

A 555 timer clocks a 74190 up/down counter. The 74190 drives BCD decoder driver 7442. The 7476 is used to reverse the count on 0 and 9, which results in an up-down-up-down count sequence.

## MULTIVIBRATOR WITH LEDs



A simple astable multivibrator is used to alternately flash two LEDs. The approximate time constant is 0.69.

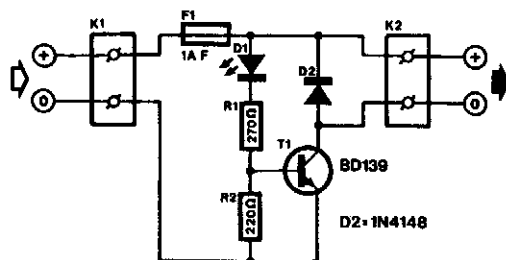
$$(R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_2) \quad R_1 = R_2 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$$

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Fig. 31-7

## FLASHING LED CONTROLLER



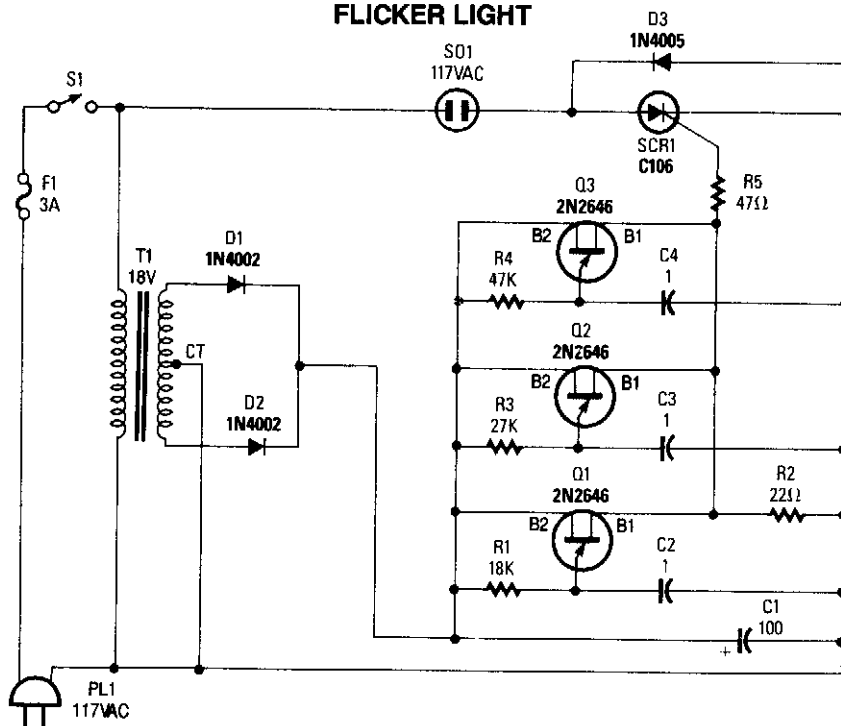
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Fig. 31-8

The LED with integrated flasher is connected in series with the base-emitter junction of transistor T1. Thus, the load connected to K2 is switched on and off in rhythm with the flash rate. This load can be a relay or a lamp.

The maximum collector current of the transistor (of the BD139 = 750 mA) must not be exceeded. If that is not sufficient, a power Darlington can be used, which will give some amperes. The current drawn by the circuit under no-load conditions amounts to 20 mA.

## FLICKER LIGHT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 31-9

This circuit will produce a flicker light effect with an ordinary incandescent lamp. Three UJT relaxation oscillators fire the SCR in a pattern.

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## Fluid and Moisture Detectors

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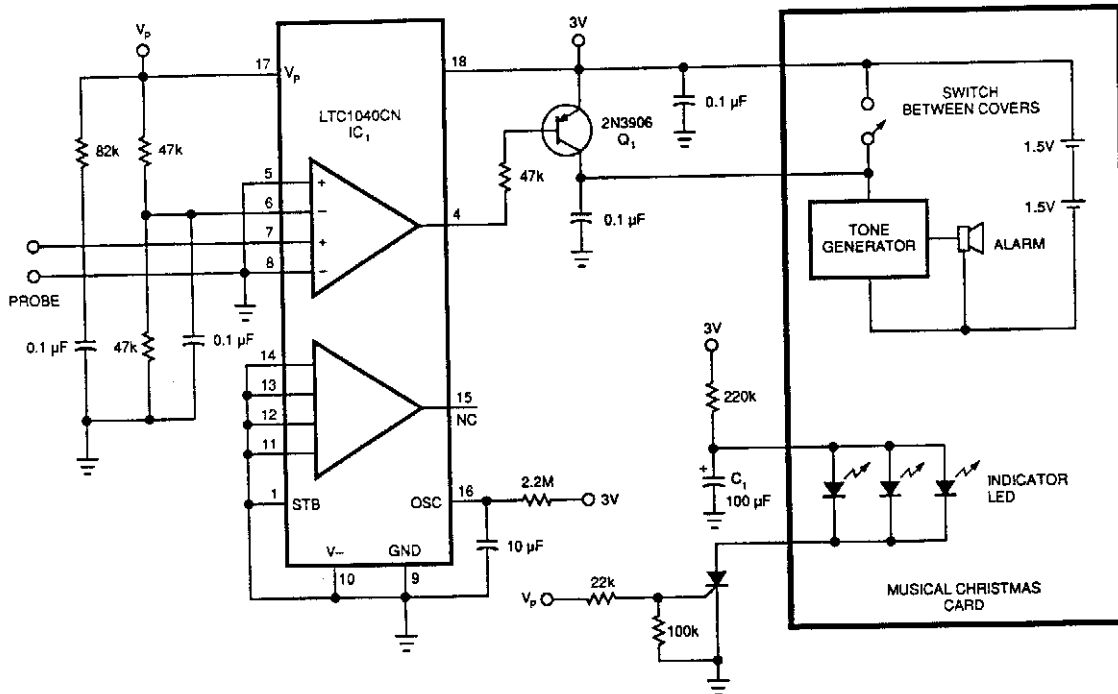
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 666. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                          |                                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Water-Level Control      | Rain Alarm                      |
| 3-V Water-Level Detector | Full-Cup Detector for the Blind |
| Liquid-Level Sensor      | Latching Water Sensor           |
| Full Bathtub Indicator   | Water-Leak Alarm                |
| Moisture Detector        | Water-Level Measurement Circuit |
| Flood Alarm              |                                 |





### 3-V WATER-LEVEL DETECTOR

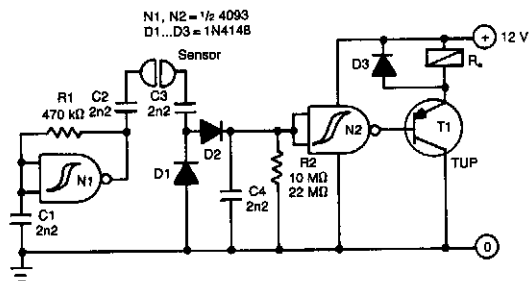


EDN

Fig. 32-2

Originally, this circuit was used to sense a low-water level in a Christmas tree stand, but the circuit can be used as a water-level detector for pump controls, water sensors (for garden and lawn applications), etc. A comparator and probe setup with a Linear Technology LTC1040CN comparator drives a 2N3906, which switches a tone generator. Sampling occurs every 20 seconds, which minimizes current drain. A pair of dry cells will power the circuit for several months.

### LIQUID-LEVEL SENSOR

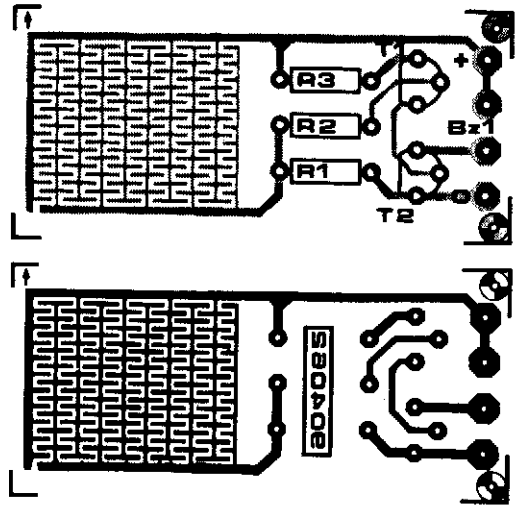
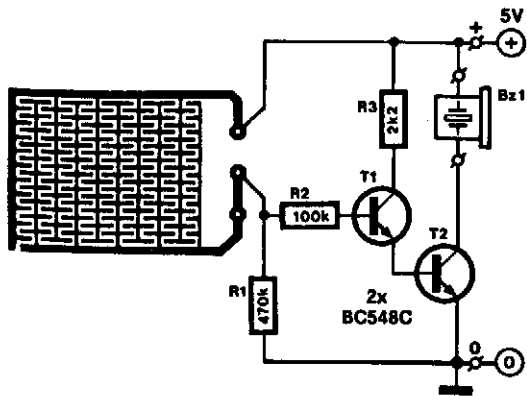


This circuit uses an ac-sensing signal to eliminate electrolytic corrosion. The ac signal is rectified and used to drive a transistor that controls a relay.

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-3

## FULL BATHTUB INDICATOR



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-4

Running a bath can end in a minor domestic disaster if you forget to turn off the taps in time. This indicator activates an active buzzer to provide an audible warning when a given water level is reached.

Because the water sensor and the driver circuit for the buzzer are contained on one PC board, the indicator, together with the 9-V battery and the buzzer, can be built into a compact case. Obviously, the sensor, which is etched on the PC-board, must not be fitted in case-iron or steel bath, the indicator is secured to it with the aid of a magnet glued onto the case. To prevent scratching the bath, the magnet can be covered in plastic or rubber. If you have a polypropylene bath, the indicator can be stuck to it with blue tack or double-sided adhesive tape.

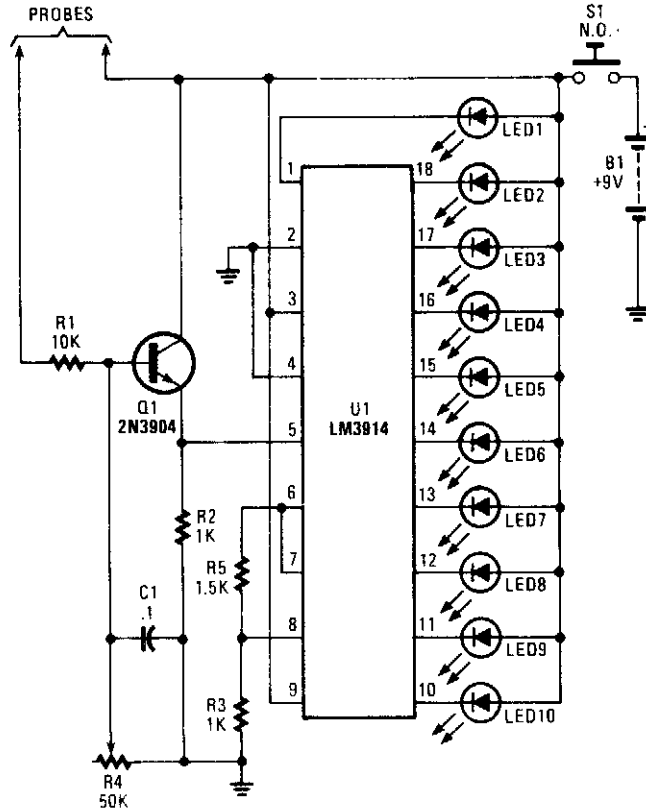
When the water reaches the sensor, the base of T1 is connected to the positive supply line. As a result, T1 and T2 are switched on so that the buzzer BZ1, a self-oscillating type, is activated. The current drawn by the circuit in that condition is about 25 mA.

In case the circuit is actuated by steam, its sensitivity can be reduced by increasing the value of R2. It is best to tin the PC board tracks to prevent corrosion.

T1, T2 = BC548C

BZ1 = active piezo-ceramic resonator

## MOISTURE DETECTOR

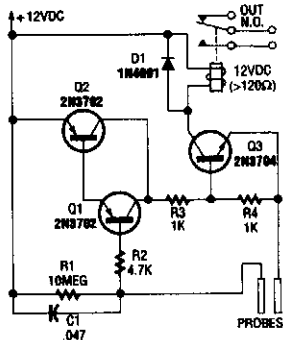


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Fig. 32-5

A bar-graph LED driver is used to drive 10 LEDs to give a relative indication of moisture. The moisture probes are connected so that electrical conductivity due to moisture tends to forward bias Q1, providing a dc voltage at pin 5 of U1 that is proportional to leakage current. Ideally, the probes should be made of stainless steel.

## FLOOD ALARM

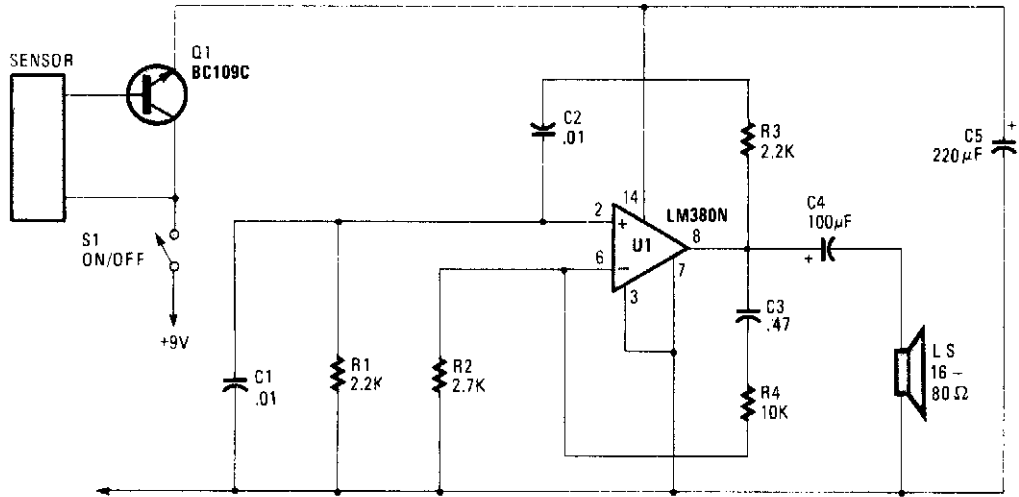


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-6

Using a few bipolar transistors, this circuit acts as a flood alarm. When liquid touches the probes, leakage current biases Q1, Q2, and Q3 (a dc-coupled amplifier) into conduction, which activates the relay. The contacts can be hooked into the alarm system.

## RAIN ALARM

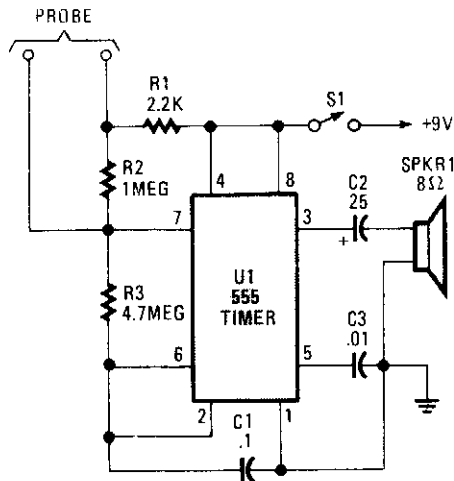


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-7

This rain sensor causes Q1 to conduct when conductive liquid (rainwater, etc.) applies bias to its base. This bias triggers LM380N oscillator and causes LS to emit a tone.

## FULL-CUP DETECTOR FOR THE BLIND



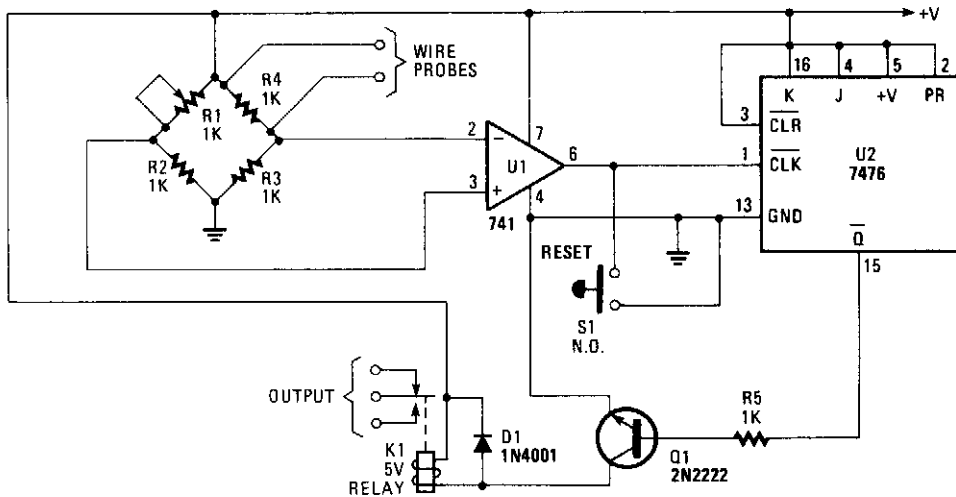
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-8

At the heart of the Full-Cup Detector is a 555-oscillator/timer configured to produce a 15-Hz click, until its probe contacts are bridged, at which time its output frequency goes to about 500 Hz.

This circuit can be used by the visually handicapped to determine when a cup or bowl is full of liquid (coffee, soup, etc). U1, an NE555, produces ticks at 15 Hz. A set of probes (wire, etc.) is placed in the container at the desired level. When the liquid level contacts the probes, the frequency of clicks increases to several hundred hertz, depending on its conductivity.

## LATCHING WATER SENSOR

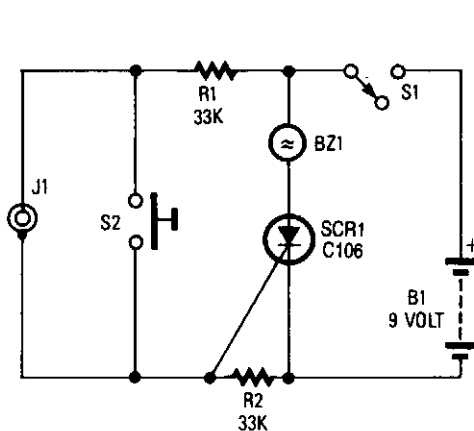


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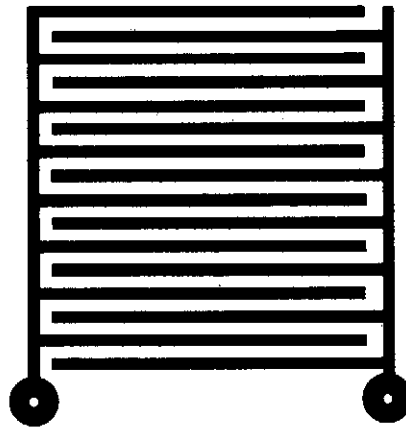
Fig. 32-9

A balanced Wheatstone bridge controls a JK flip-flop that uses an op amp as an interface. This in turn drives a relay circuit. R1 through R4 can be made larger for increased sensitivity.

## WATER-LEAK ALARM



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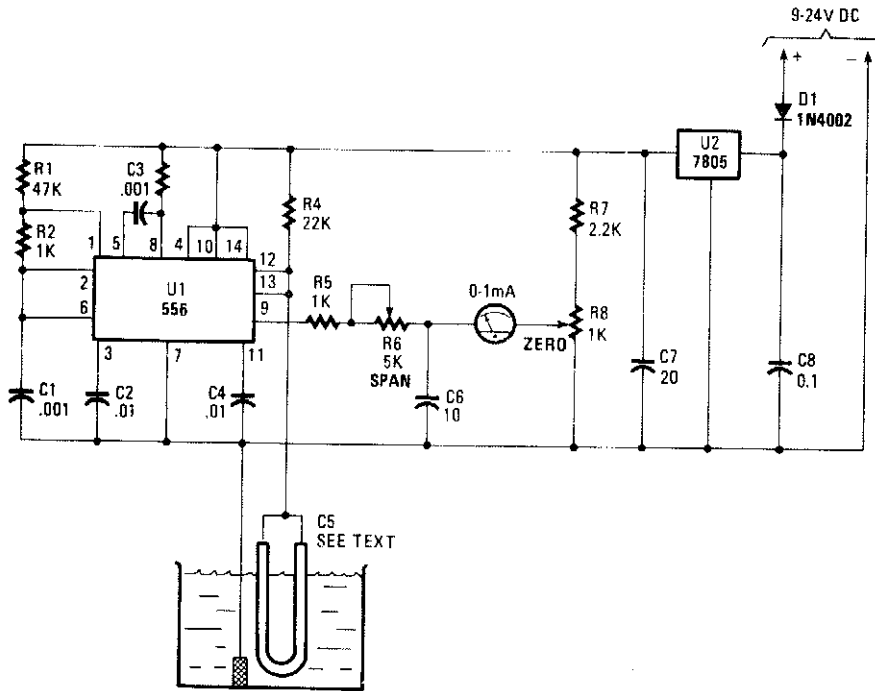


*If you choose to make your own moisture sensor, this foil pattern should come in handy.*

Fig. 32-10

A sensor connected to J1 causes SCR1 to conduct, which sounds buzzer BZ1. The sensor is a PC-board foil pattern grid. Several sensors can be wired in parallel for increased coverage or to monitor several places simultaneously.

## WATER-LEVEL MEASUREMENT CIRCUIT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-11

Using a capacitor sensor to detect a water level is a simple method of sensing. This circuit uses C5, which is 10" to 20" of #22 enamelled wire as one electrode. This shifts the oscillator, an NE556 timer, in frequency. The frequency shift depends on the capacitance charge, which in turn varies with water level. A meter connected to pin 9 of the 556 is used as an indicator. C5 can be made larger or smaller to suit the intended application.

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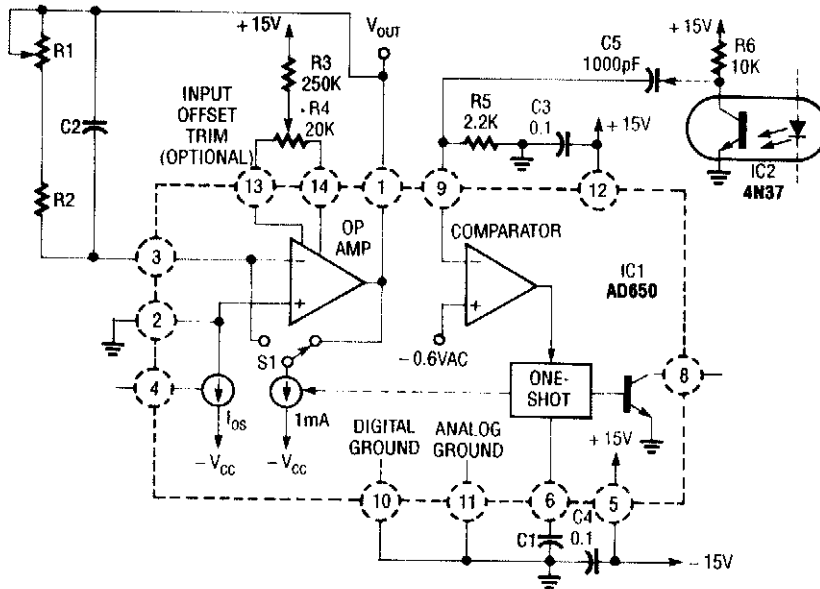
## Frequency-to-Voltage Converters

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Frequency/Voltage Converter  
with Optocoupler Input  
Frequency/Voltage Converter  
with Sample And Hold  
Frequency/Voltage Converter  
Frequency/Voltage Converter  
Single-Supply Frequency/Voltage Converter

## FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH OPTOCOUPLER INPUT



CIRCUIT VALUES

| Full-Scale Frequency | Full-Scale Output | C1      | C2           | R1 (ohms) | R2 (ohms) |
|----------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| 10 kHz               | 1 V               | 3300 pF | 3.3 $\mu$ F  | 1K        | 3.8K      |
| 10 kHz               | 10 V              | 3300 pF | 0.33 $\mu$ F | 10K       | 38.3K     |
| 100 kHz              | 1 V               | 680 pF  | 0.33 $\mu$ F | 500       | 1.82K     |
| 100 kHz              | 10 V              | 680 pF  | 3300 pF      | 5K        | 18.2K     |
| 1 MHz                | 1 V               | 47 pF   | 3300 pF      | 500       | 1.33K     |
| 1 MHz                | 10 V              | 47 pF   | 1000 pF      | 5K        | 13.3K     |

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-1

In this circuit, the input from IC2 optocoupler is fed to the comparator input of the AD650 (Analog Devices or Maxim Electronics) V/F converter. This internally generates a pulse that is fed to the op amp, which outputs a dc voltage that is proportional to frequency. Component values are shown in the figure.



## FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH SAMPLE AND HOLD

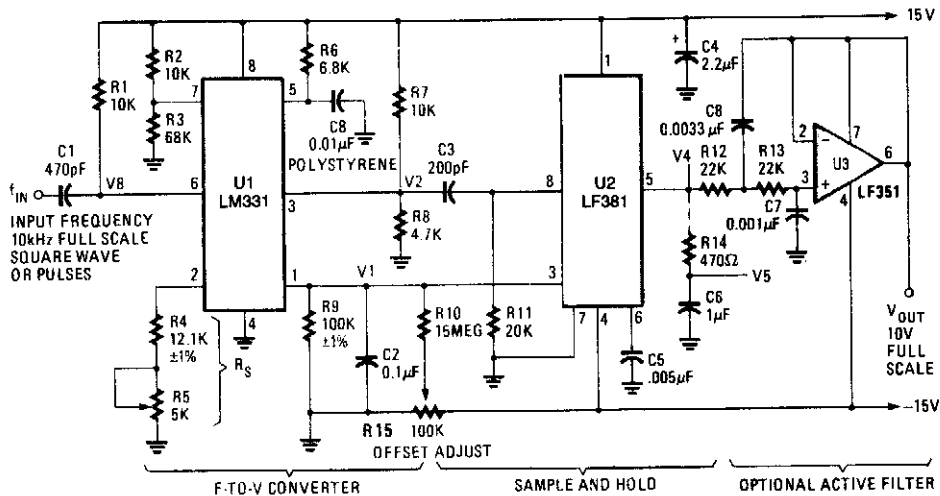


Fig. 33-2

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

U1 is a frequency/voltage converter, feeding sample-and-hold circuit using an LF381. An LF351 provides 10-V full-scale output. The circuit produces 1-V/kHz output.

## FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER

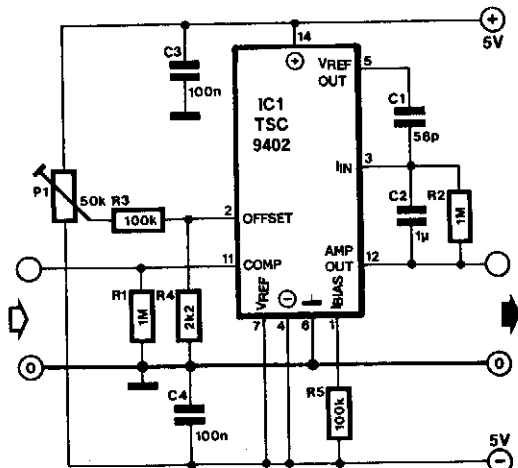


Fig. 33-3

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

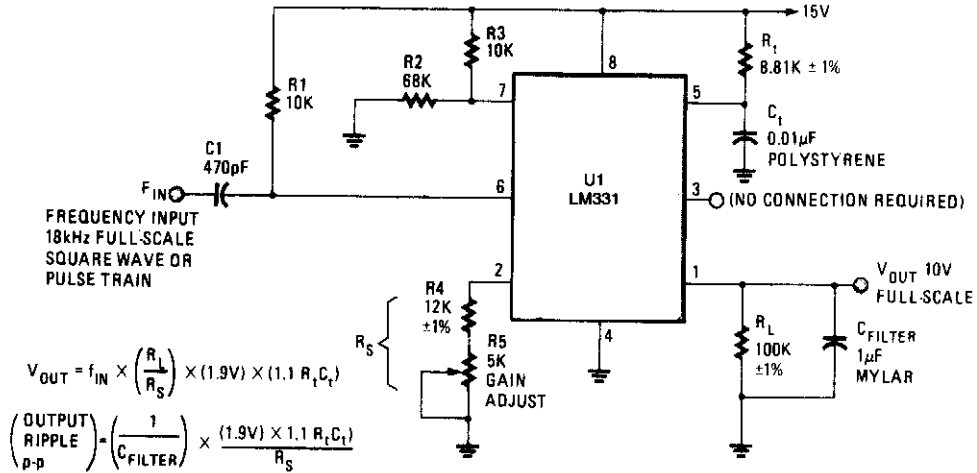
Teledyne Semiconductor's Type TSC9402 is a versatile IC. Not only can it convert voltage into frequency, but also frequency into voltage. It is thus eminently suitable for use in an add-on unit for measuring frequencies with a multimeter. Only a few additional components are required for this.

Just one calibration point sets the center of the measuring range (or of that part of the range that is used most frequently). The frequency-proportional direct voltage at the output (pin 12—AMP OUT) contains interference pulses at levels up to 0.7 V. If these have an adverse effect on the multimeter, they can be suppressed with the aid of a simple RC network. The output voltage,  $U_o$ , is calculated by:

$$U_o = U_{ref}(C_1 + 12 \text{ pF}) R_2 f_{in}$$

Because the internal capacitance often has a greater value than the 12 pF taken here, the formula does not yield an absolute value. The circuit has a frequency range of dc to 10 kHz. At 10 kHz, the formula gives a value of 3.4 V. The circuit draws a current of not more than 1 mA.

### FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER

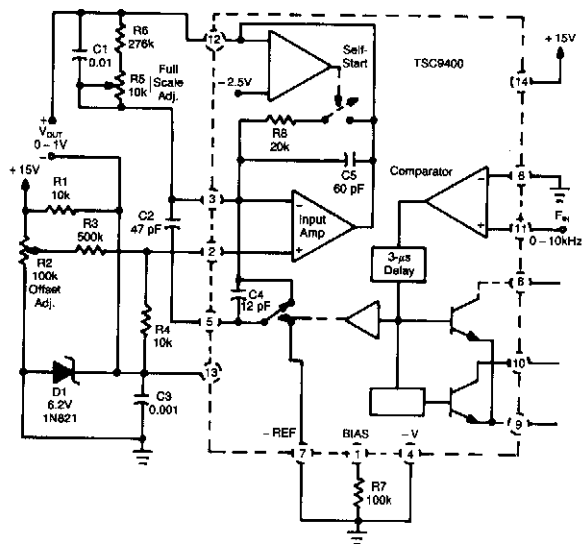


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-4

A dc output that is proportional to frequency can be derived with this circuit. It is useful for analog frequency meter or tachometer applications.

### SINGLE-SUPPLY FREQUENCY/VOLTAGE CONVERTER



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-5

A Teledyne TSC9400 provides 0-to-1-V output from a 0-to-10-kHz input. A single +15-V supply is used. Linearity is 0.25% to 10 kHz.

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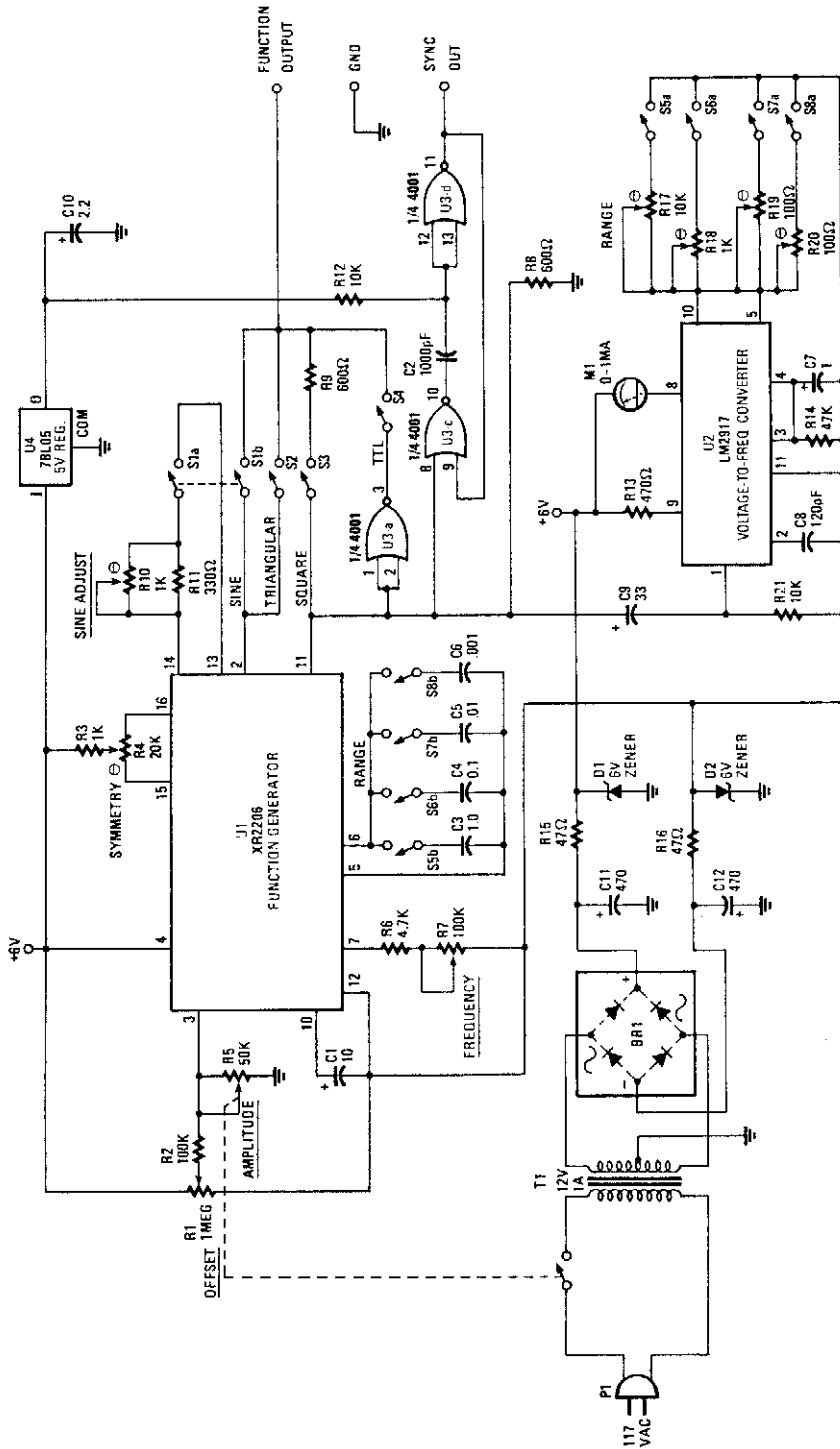
## Function Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 667. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Audio Function Generator
- Nonlinear Potentiometer Outputs
- Function Generator
- Potentiometer-Position V/F Converter
- FM Generator
- 1-Hz Timebase for Readout and Counter
- Applications
- White Noise Generator
- Frequency-Ratio Monitoring Circuit
- Pulse Train

# AUDIO FUNCTION GENERATOR

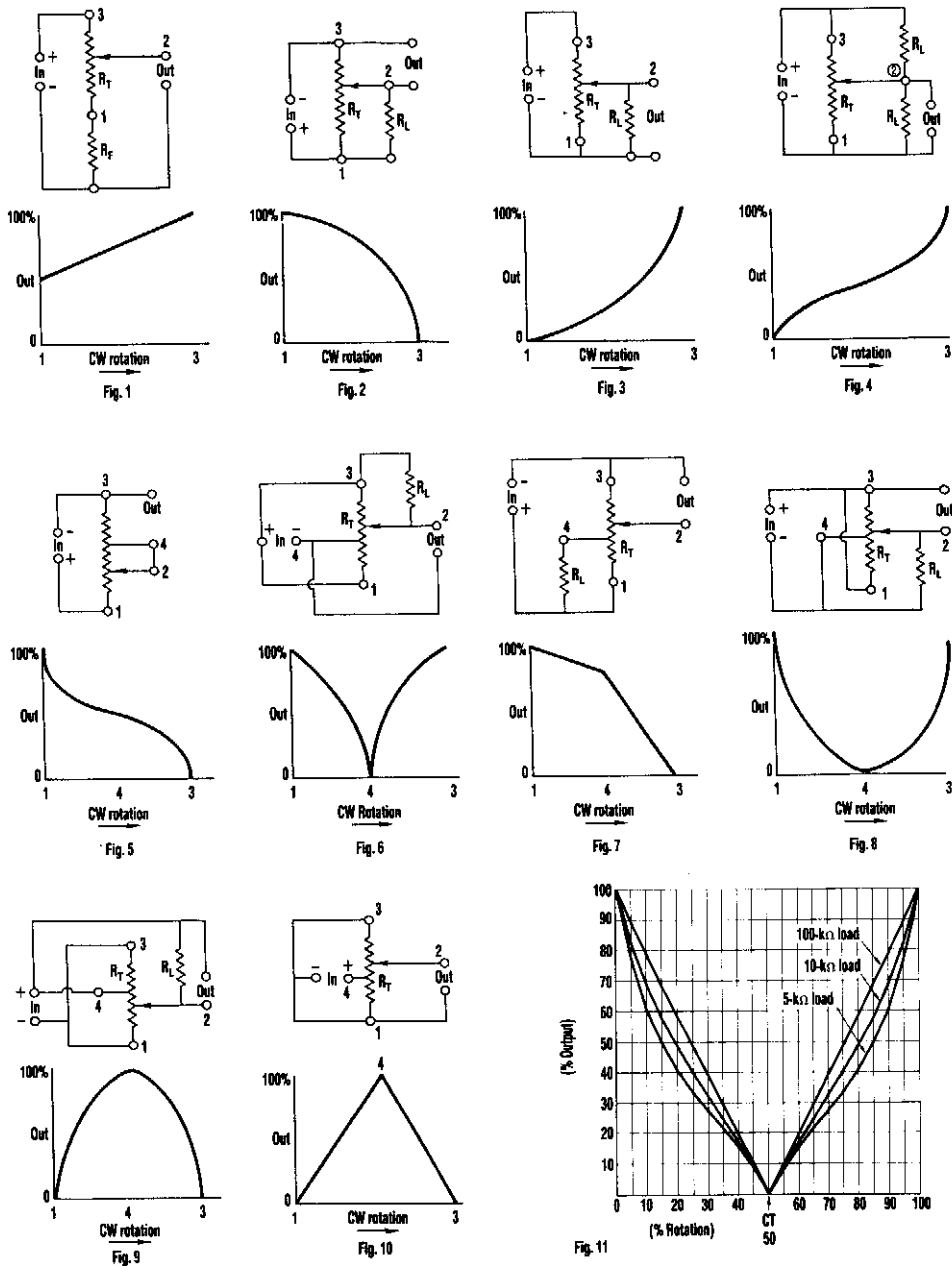


**HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS**

**Fig. 34-1**

Using an EXAR XR2206, this generator will produce sine, square, and triangular waves from 10 Hz to 100 kHz. U1 is the XR2206 chip, R7 controls frequency, and S5 through S8 select the frequency range. U2 produces a TTL-compatible square-wave output, while U3c and D produce a sync signal for scope use. U2 is a frequency/voltage converter that is used to drive analog meter M1, which reads the generator frequency.

## NONLINEAR POTENTIOMETER OUTPUTS

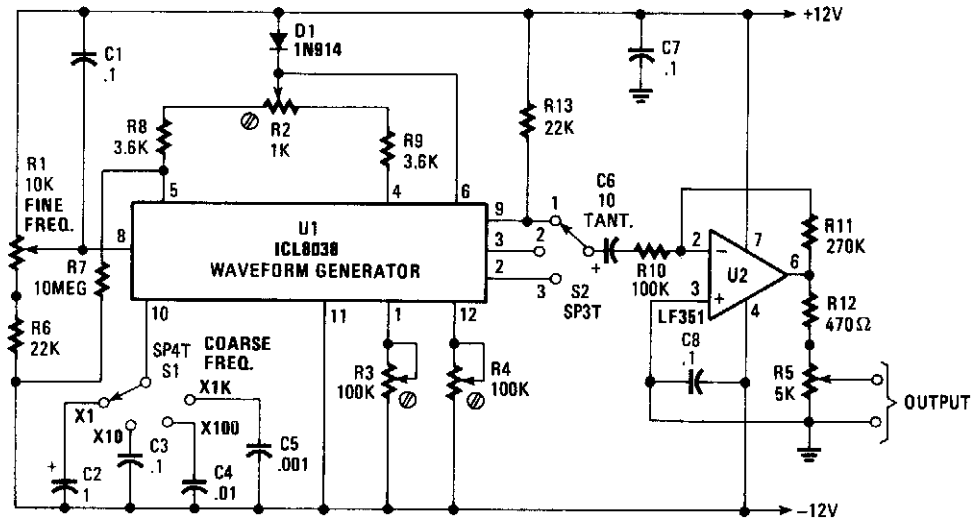


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

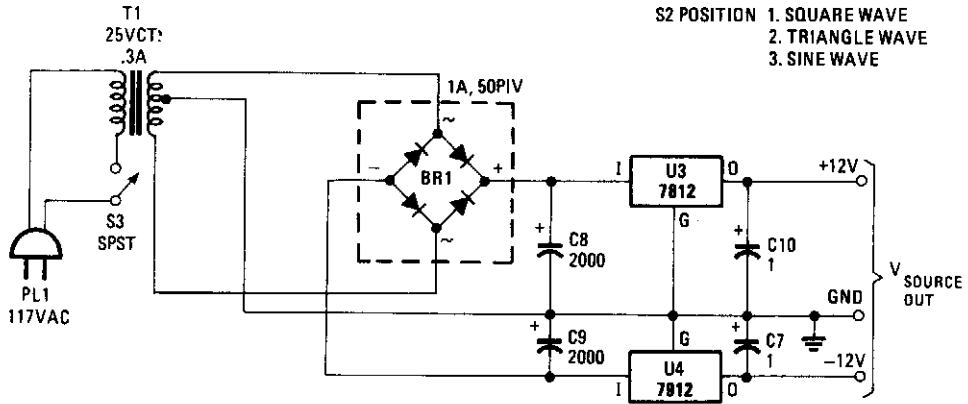
Fig. 34-2

Using these illustrated configurations, various rotation output characteristics can be obtained from potentiometers and one or two resistors.

## FUNCTION GENERATOR



S2 POSITION 1. SQUARE WAVE  
2. TRIANGLE WAVE  
3. SINE WAVE

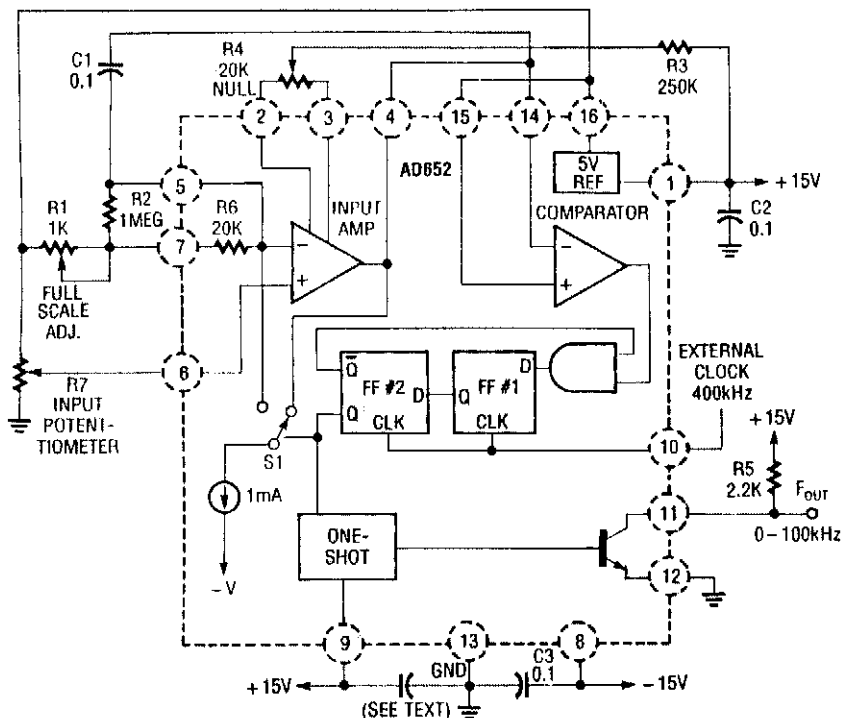


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-3

Using an Intersil ICL8038, this function generator generates frequencies from 1 Hz to over 80 kHz. R1 is the fine frequency control and S1 is the coarse frequency control range switch. S2 selects square-, triangle-, or sine-wave output. U2 is a buffer amplifier and R5 sets output level. R2 is adjusted for a symmetrical triangle wave. R3 and R4 are adjusted for minimum sine-wave distortion. Power supply is  $\pm 12$  V at less than 100 mA.

## POTENTIOMETER-POSITION V/F CONVERTER

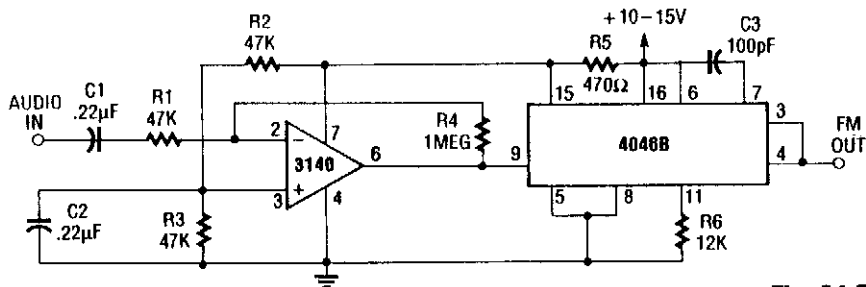


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-4

In this application, an AD652IC is used in a synchronized V/F converter that derives its input from the position of a potentiometer. This can represent a position of a mechanical component, weight, size, etc., to give a 0-to-100-kHz output versus the 0-to-5-V output from the potentiometer.

## FM GENERATOR

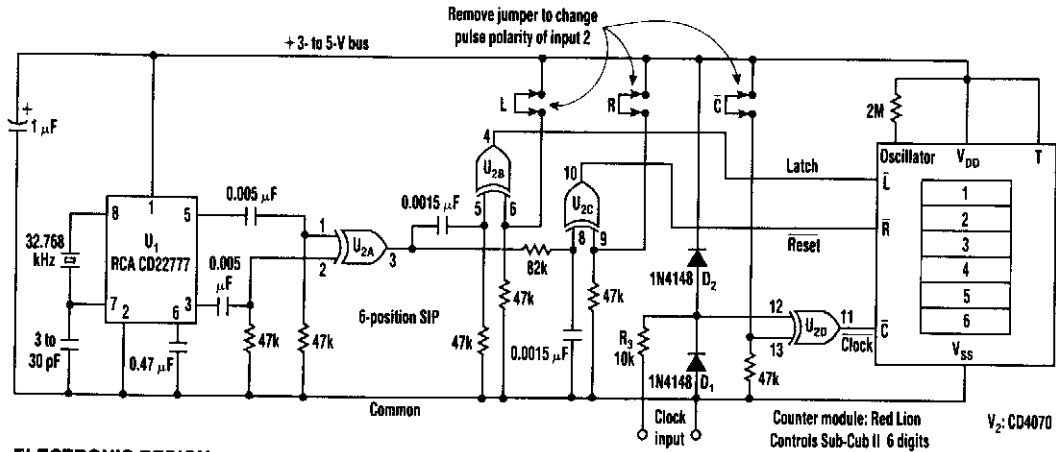


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-5

The internal zener on pin 15 of the 4046B supplies a stable voltage to the 3140IC op amp. This amplifier modulates the 4046B VCO. The amplifier gain is about  $20 \times$  (26 dB voltage). The VCO produces a 220-kHz carrier that is FM modulated. C3 can be changed to vary this frequency.

## 1-Hz TIMEBASE FOR READOUT AND COUNTER APPLICATIONS



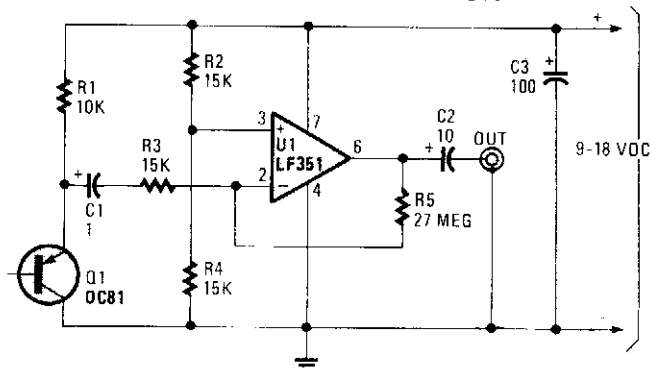
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This counter makes direct readout of frequency-generating equipment very easy when a 1-Hz timebase is added to latch, reset, and the count signal is conditioned. This design has the flexibility to select either polarity.

By differentiating, inverting, and ORing the clock pulses in XOR gate U2A, a stream of 1-Hz, positive, 200- $\mu$ s pulses is generated. For latching, the 1-Hz stream is again differentiated in U2B, input 1 to supply a 50- $\mu$ s pulse. Though U2B's output goes from high to low, it can be reversed, by making input 2 low.

Because the reset pulse must occur after the latch signal, the 1-Hz stream from U2A is delayed 100  $\mu$ s at U2C input 1. The output-pulse polarity is determined by making U2C's input 2 either high or low.

## WHITE NOISE GENERATOR



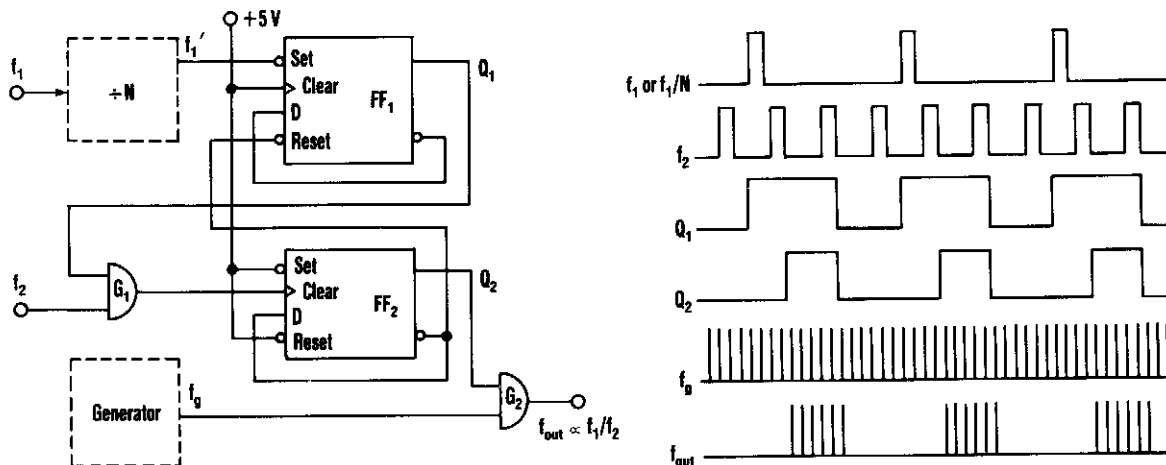
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 34-7

Germanium transistor Q1 is used as a noise generator in the audio range. U1 acts as a high-gain amplifier. Q1 is not critical; most germanium transistors appear to be satisfactory. A germanium diode can also be substituted. This circuit is mainly used for sound effects and noise experiments. It is not flat over the audio range because of unpredictable effects in Q1, but it should be useful where high precision is not necessary.



## FREQUENCY-RATIO MONITORING CIRCUIT

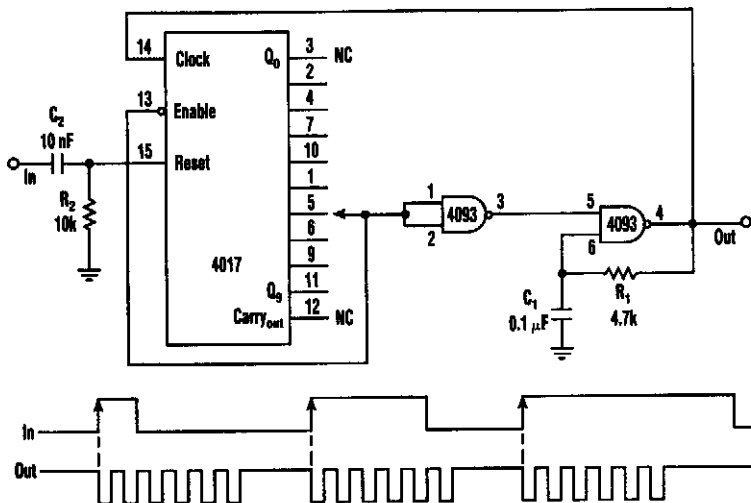


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 34-8

This circuit produces an output frequency that is linearly proportional to the ratio of two input frequencies  $f_1/f_2$ . Each pulse of the bias  $f_1$  (or  $f$ ) will open G<sub>1</sub> for a period  $T = 1/f_2$  so that  $f_g/f_2$  pulses pass to the output.

## PULSE TRAIN



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 34-9

This circuit has a rate multiplier using a 4093 Schmitt trigger as an oscillator, driving a 4017 decade counter. When a pulse present at the input (to C<sub>2</sub>) 4017 is reset, output zero goes high, and outputs 1 to 9 go low. The oscillator (4093) starts running and the 4017 counts the pulses until the 4017 output (1 to 9) connected to pin 1 and 2 of the 4093 goes high. The oscillator is inhibited and the output remains high until the next input pulse.

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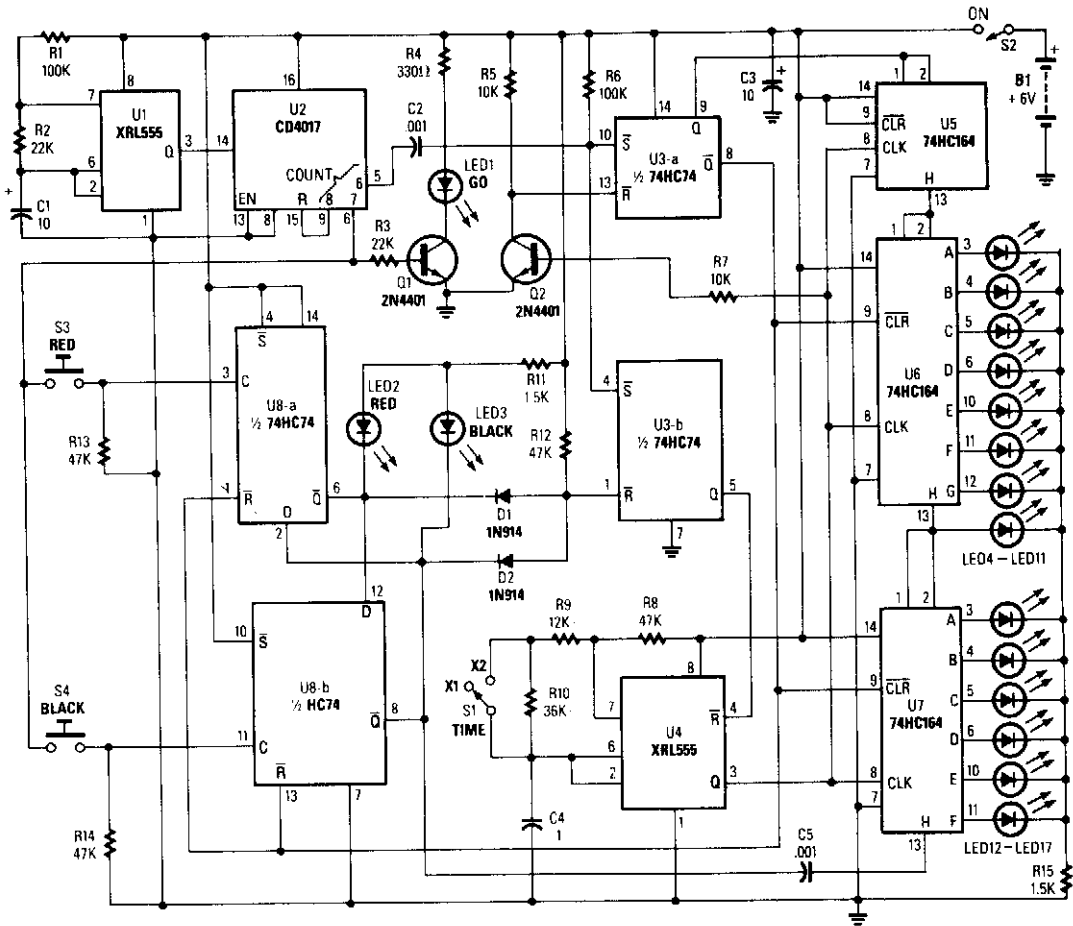
## Games

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 667. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Reaction Timer  
Electronic Roulette Game  
Run-Down Clock/Sound Generator  
Wheel of Fortune  
Simple Lie Detector  
Electronic Dice

## REACTION TIMER

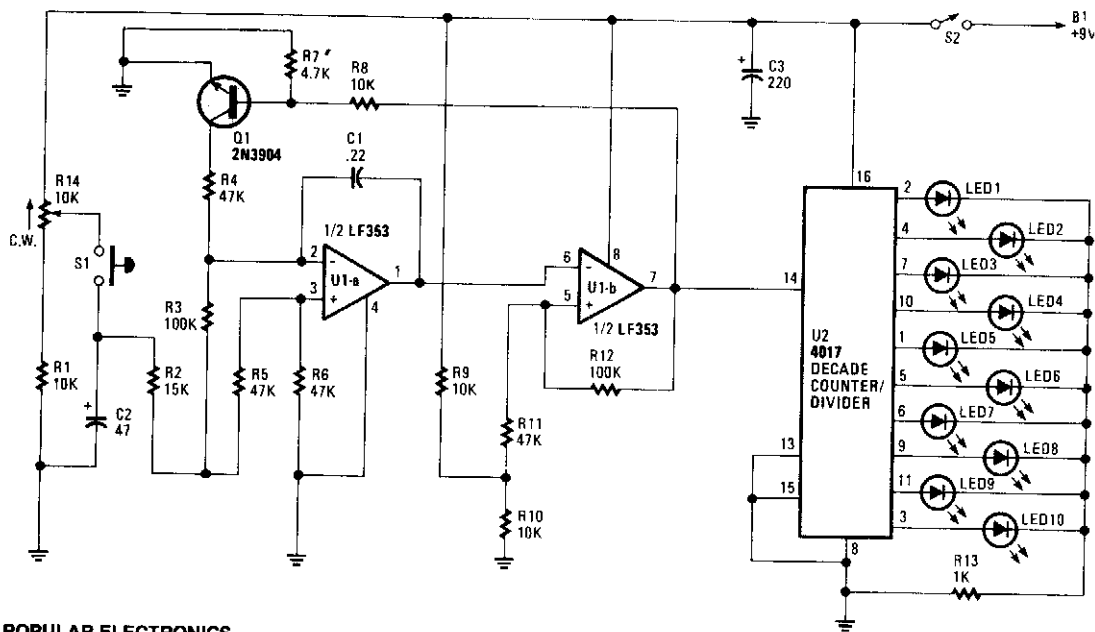


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 35-1

This circuit uses a timer to generate pulses at a 5-ms clock rate. The pulses are shifted into the shift register, one at a time, lighting an LED. An auxiliary timer that generates one pulse per second is used to generate timing to activate the "go" LED and start the 5 ms pulses clocking into the registers. At the GO signal each player presses his buttons (S3 or S4). The delay (reaction time) is read out on LED 4 to LED 17; after six seconds, the sequence repeats.

## ELECTRONIC ROULETTE GAME

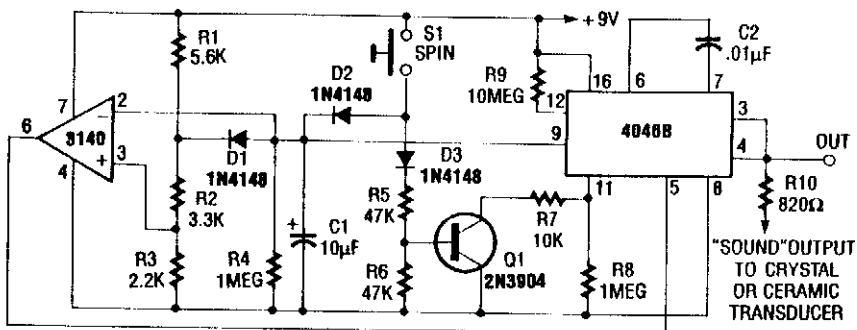


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Fig. 35-2

R14 is set for an initial "starting" speed of the oscillator U1A and U1B. As C2 charges, oscillation begins slowing down as C2 discharges, giving a roulette-wheel effect on LED S1 through 10. The LED that remains on is the winning number.

## RUN-DOWN CLOCK/SOUND GENERATOR

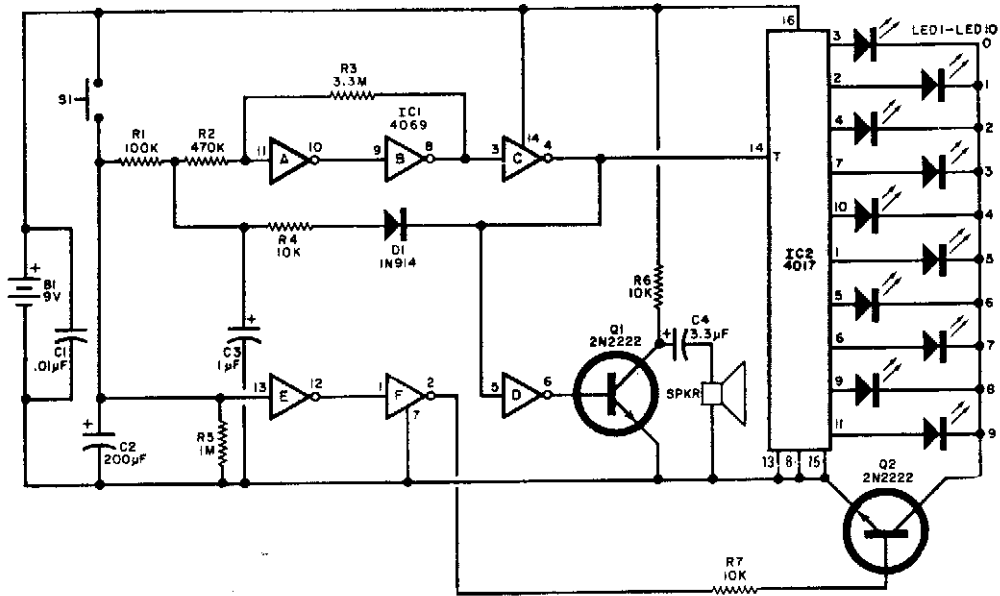


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 35-3

Used in electronic roulette or dice games, this circuit produces a clock signal that initially is several tens of kHz (depending on C2) and gradually decreases to zero in about 15 seconds, as C1 discharges through R4.

## WHEEL OF FORTUNE

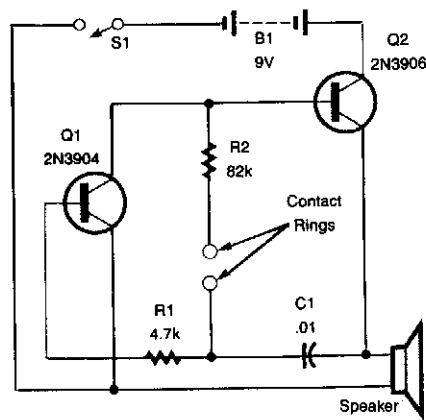


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 35-4

This circuit is a 10-LED spinning wheel that “clicks” as the wheel passes each point. The rotation starts fast, then gradually slows down to a random stop (with a click at each position). After the rotation ceases, the selected LED stays lit for about 10 seconds, then goes out. The cycle restarts by depressing the pushbutton switch.

## SIMPLE LIE DETECTOR

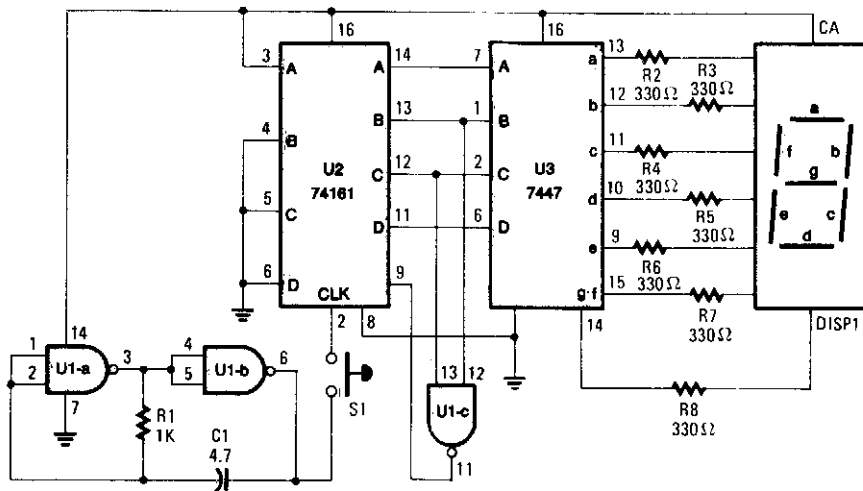


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 35-5

The variation in skin resistance of the subject is used to vary the frequency of a tone oscillator. The contact rings are two brass rings, about 3/4" ID.

## ELECTRONIC DICE



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 35-6*

When S1 is pressed, counter U2 is driven by oscillator U1A/U1B and the count (0 through 6) is read on DISP1. R1 and C1 determine the count rate, which should be fast enough to ensure a "random" count.

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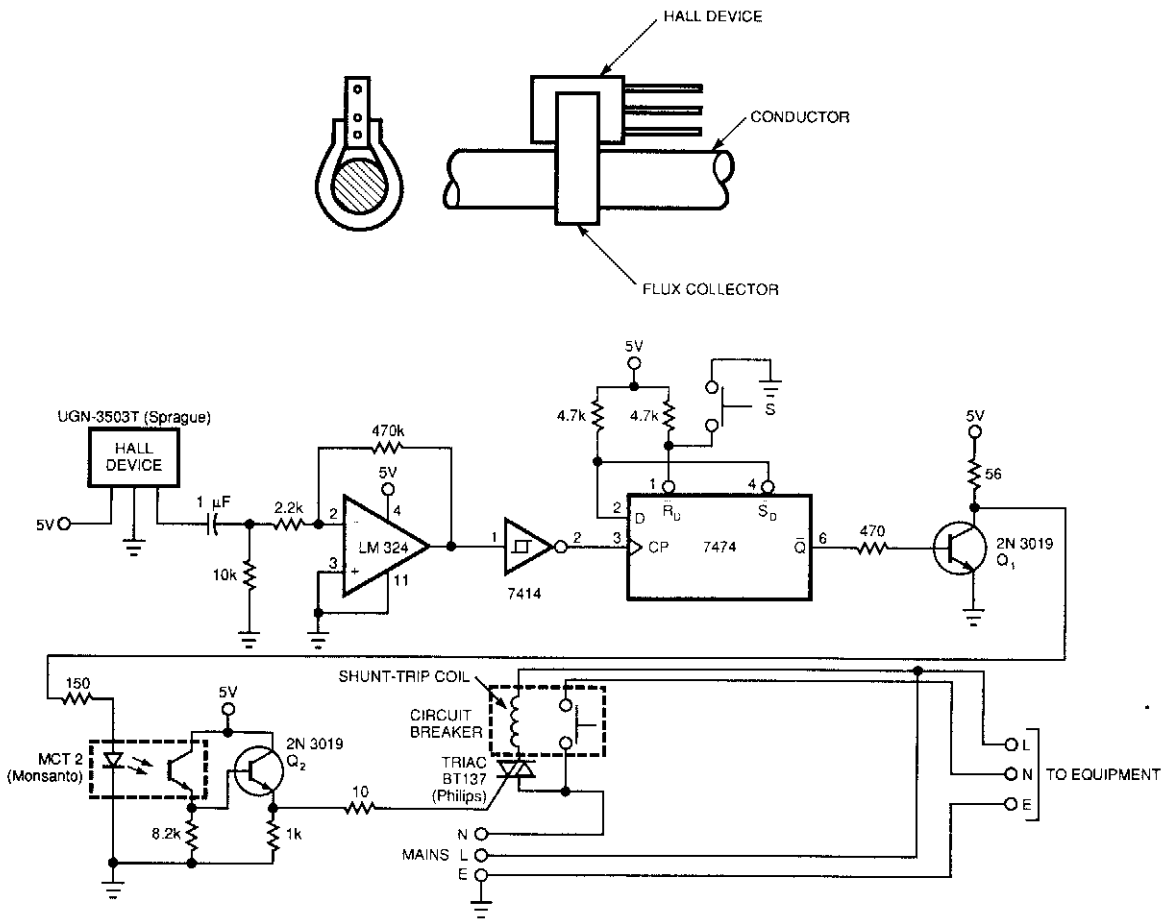
## **Ground-Fault Hall Detector**

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Ground-Fault Hall Sensor

## GROUND-FAULT HALL SENSOR



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**Fig. 36-1**

No electrical contact exists between the circuit and the conductor. The 7474 flip-flop is triggered by the output from the Hall sensor, op amp, and Schmitt trigger. This triggering activates the optocoupler, turns on the triac, and trips the circuit breaker.



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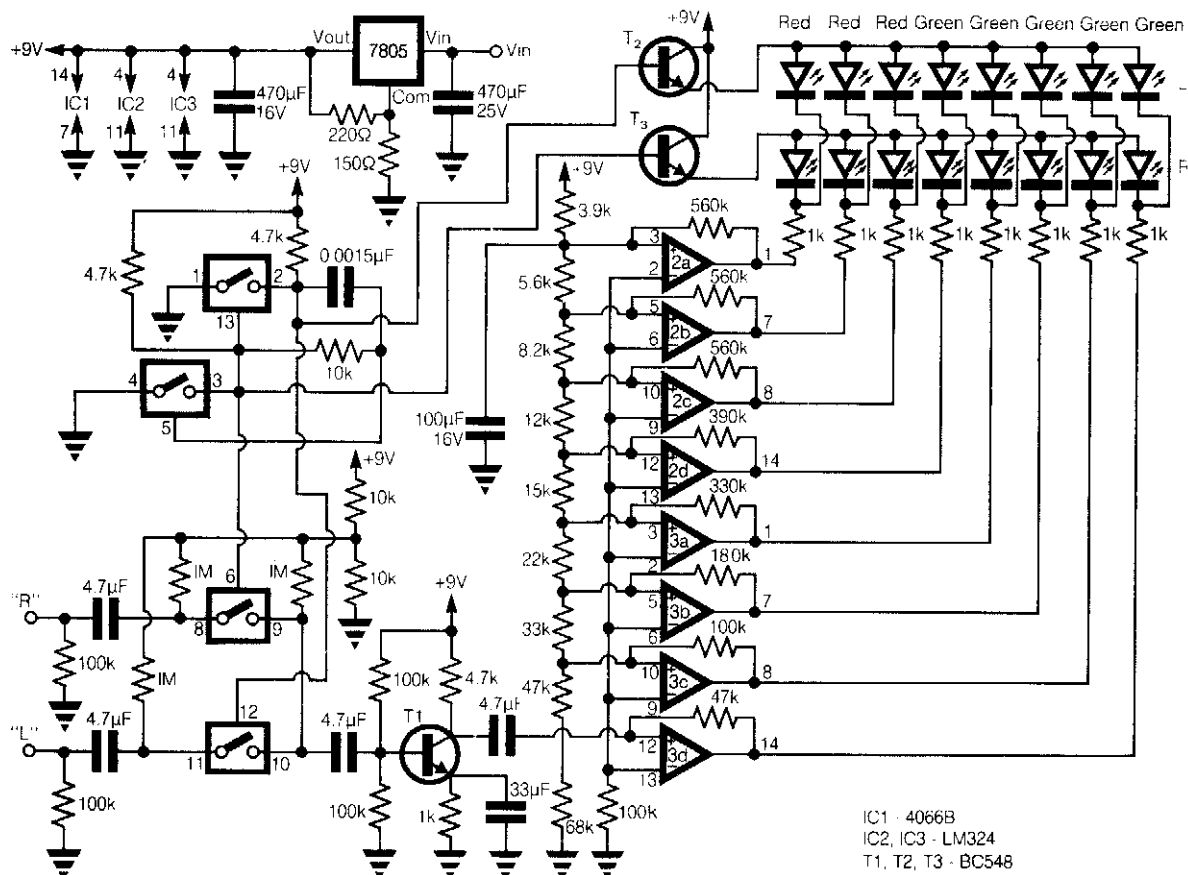
## Indicators

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Stereo LED VU Meter  
Audio Amplifier Volume Indicator  
Transistorized Bar-Graph Driver  
Visual CW Offset Indicator  
ac-Circuit LED Power Indicator  
ac/dc Indicator  
Balance Indicator  
Mains Failure Indicator  
On Indicator  
Sound Sensor  
Transmitter Output Indicator

## STEREO LED VU METER



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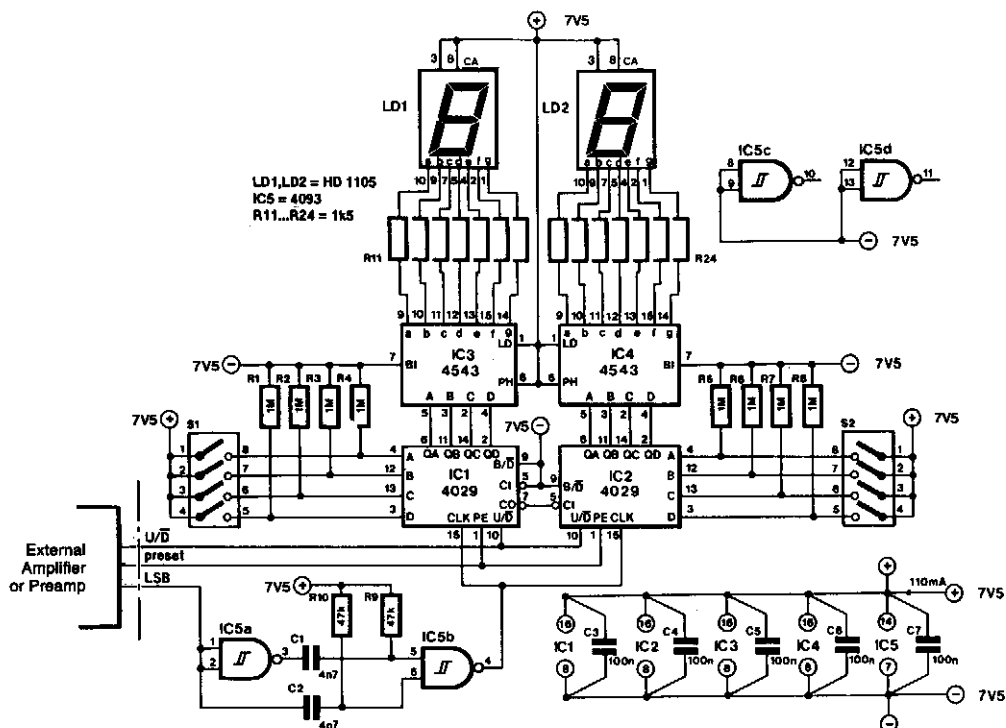
**Fig. 37-1**

This circuit provides a cheap alternative to the LM3915 series LED displays. The meter relies on a square-wave oscillator built around two CMOS analog switches, which alternatively selects the right and left channels for monitoring and display. The selected signal is amplified by the common-emitter stage T1, and the output is fed into the string comparators which control the display.

These eight comparators are from two LM324 quad op amps, each is connected to a resistor network, which has a 3dB step between each comparator. Each comparator has a positive feedback resistor to increase the hysteresis to provide a longer display, which is switched alternatively at about 10 kHz.

The two CMOS switches in line are biased at half the supply voltage by 1-M $\Omega$  resistors from a 100-k $\Omega$  divider, which allows them to handle analog signals up to 9 V peak to peak. As the voltage increases above the setpoint of each comparator, the output goes low and the corresponding LED lights, which produces a bar of light in response to the input voltage. For a linear response the resistor-network can be replaced by nine 10-k $\Omega$  resistors, giving an equal voltage gap before each LED comes on.

## AUDIO AMPLIFIER VOLUME INDICATOR



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Fig. 37-2

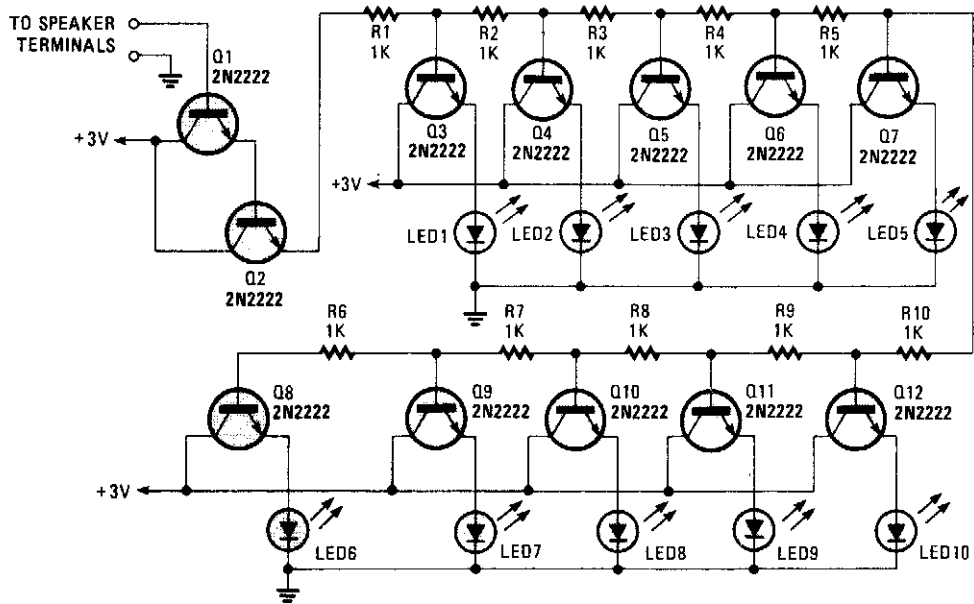
The indicator is intended for use with an audio amplifier or preamplifier, but it can also be used in other applications where a number of steps or changes must be counted rapidly. To prevent interference with the audio signal, the circuit is a static design. Thus, if the volume control is not adjusted, the circuit does nothing.

The circuit does not need an external clock signal, because this is derived from any changes in the least significant bit (LSB). This is done by two differentiating networks:  $R_9/C_1$  and  $R_{10}/C_2$ , which double the frequency of an available LSB signal.

Moreover, to ensure that the counters of the indicator remain in step with the volume control, signals "up/down" and "preset" from the preamplifier are used. It might seem rather extravagant to couple the state of the counters in the preamplifier with that of the present counters, but it is a good way to keep the connections between the two units to a minimum. Furthermore, the present counters operate in 8-bit BCD, instead of 6-bit binary as used by those in the volume control (in the preamplifier). All that is required to display the state of the volume control are a couple of BCD-to-7-segment decoders and 7-segment displays.

The preset in the indicator must be set in BCD code. Leading zeros are not suppressed so numbers up to and including 9 are displayed, starting with a 0. The DIP switches and resistors  $R_1$  through  $R_8$  in the diagram can be omitted if only one fixed preset is likely to be used. The resistors should be replaced by jump leads.

### TRANSISTORIZED BAR-GRAPH DRIVER

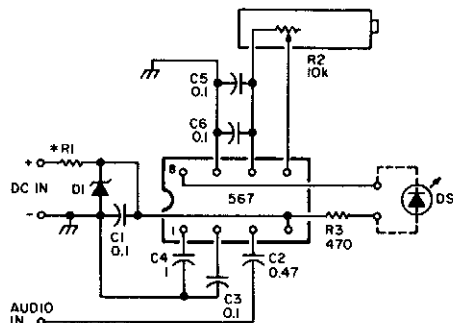


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Fig. 37-3

A resistor network (R1 through R10) with emitter followers (Q1 and Q2) drives LED drivers (Q3 through Q7). This circuit was used as a "light organ" to provide visual volume indication. It can be hooked to a speaker, to another audio source, etc.

### VISUAL CW OFFSET INDICATOR

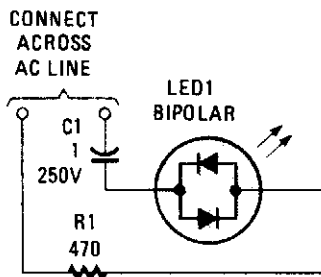


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Fig. 37-4

An NE567 tone decoder, tuned to the transceiver's CW offset frequency, ensures that the transceiver will be transmitting on the same frequency as the received CW signal. Simply tune the transceiver so that the LED lights. Eight to 13 Vdc is required; this can be taken from the transceiver supply or an extra battery. Audio is taken from the speaker or headphone output.

### ac CIRCUIT LED POWER INDICATOR



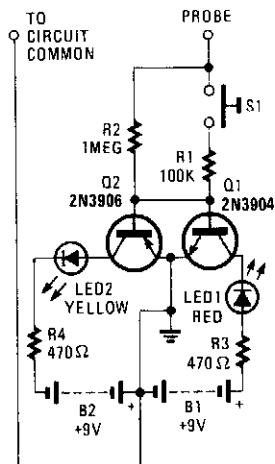
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Fig. 37-5

Many electronic circuits need an indication that they are under power; for most ac circuits, a neon lamp is the device of choice. A bidirectional tricolor LED can be used if a capacitor is connected in series with the LED to limit the current through the LED. A  $1\text{-}\mu\text{F}$ , 250-WVdc capacitor, which has a reactance of 2 650 ohms at 60 Hz, is used in series with an LED to limit the current through the unit to 43 mA. The impedance of the LED is low compared to the reactance of the capacitor, so nearly all the impedance will be caused by the capacitor with the added advantage of no energy loss caused by the capacitor.

The power of the LED is  $1.175\text{ V} \times 0.043\text{ A} = 50\text{ mW}$  compared to an NE-2H at 250 mW. For 230 V, use a  $0.47\text{-}\mu\text{F}$ , 400-WVdc capacitor.

### ac/dc INDICATOR

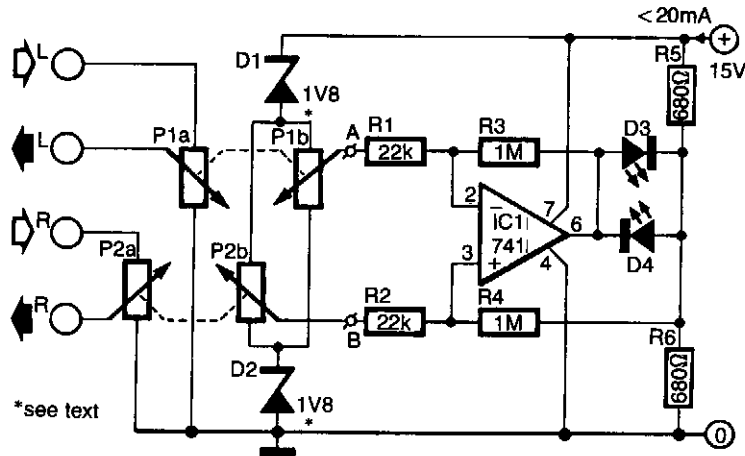


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Fig. 37-6

By using two switching transistors and two LEDs, this circuit can distinguish low-level ac and dc signals. If the red LED illuminates, the signal is positive dc. If the yellow LED lights, the signal is negative dc. If the signal is ac, both LEDs will light.

## BALANCE INDICATOR



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Fig. 37-7

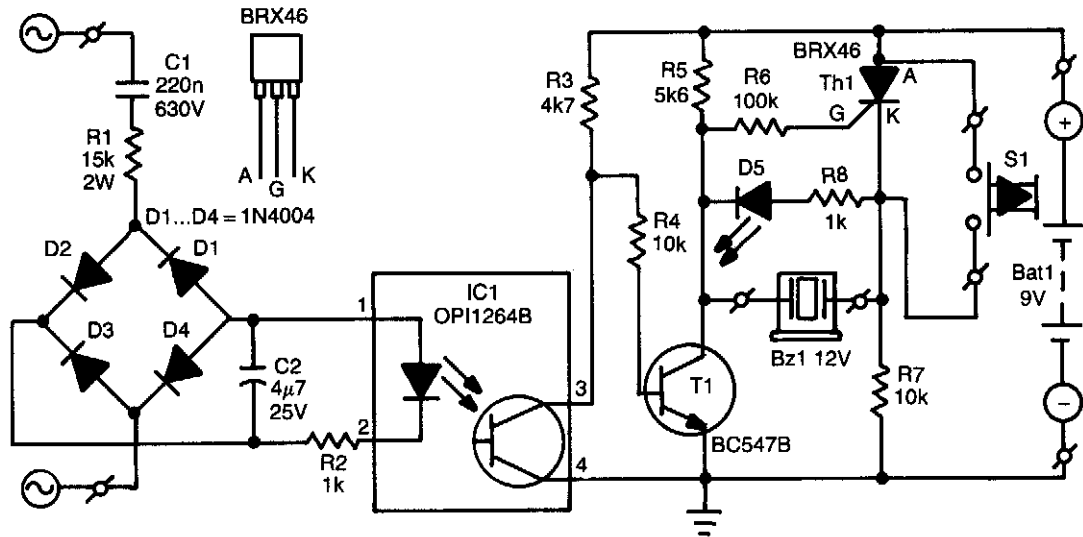
If your amplifier is fitted with two level controls, it actually offers you a balance control and a level control. A drawback of this is that it is quite difficult to set the balance properly. This can be obviated, however, by replacing the two monopotentiometers with stereo versions P1 and P2 in the diagram.

One half of the pair, P1A and P2A, assumes the tasks of the removed components. The other half is connected in a bridge circuit. The voltage between wipers of the potentiometers is then a measure of the balance between the two channels. The lower the potential, the better the balance. If you are interested in knowing the degree of unbalance, connect a center-zero moving coil meter with a bias resistor between A and B. With this arrangement, zener diodes D1 and D2 can be omitted: they are necessary only with the LED indicator shown in the diagram to prevent the input voltage of the op amp from getting too close to the level of the supply voltage.

The circuit around IC1 is a classical differential amplifier. Resistors R5 and R6 provide a virtual earth for the LEDs, which is necessary to ensure that, in spite of the asymmetrical supply voltage, a positive and a negative output is obtained.

Because the LEDs have been included in the feedback loop of the indicator, the circuit is pretty sensitive. At only 40 mV, that is, just  $\frac{1}{400}$  of the supply voltage, one of the LEDs begins to light. The maximum current drawn by the LEDs is determined by the values of R5 and R6.

## MAINS FAILURE INDICATOR



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Fig. 37-8

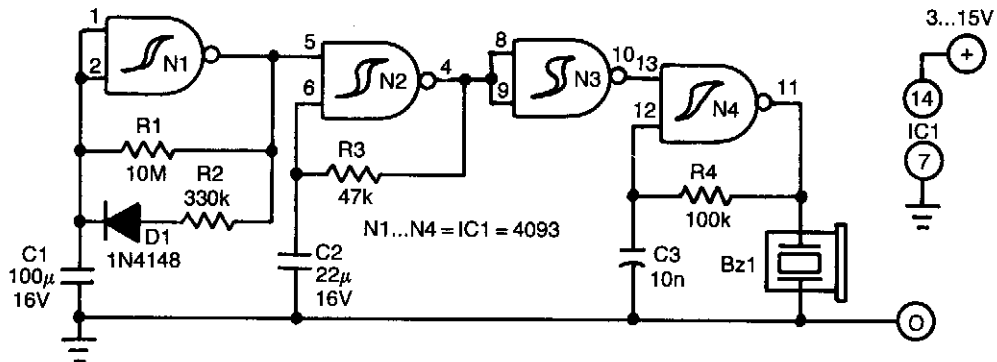
When the mains voltage is present at the input terminals, the transistor in the optocoupler is on, T1 is off, and silicon-controlled rectifier Th1 is in the conducting state. Because both terminals of the piezoelectric buzzer are then at the same potential, the buzzer is inactive. If the mains voltage drops out, transistor T1 conducts and causes one of the terminals of the buzzer to be connected to earth; the thyristor remains in the conducting state. In this situation, a large enough potential difference is across both the buzzer and D5 to cause these elements to indicate the mains failure—both audibly and visibly.

When the mains is restored, the circuit returns to its original state. A touch on the reset button then interrupts the current through the SCR so that the thyristor goes into the blocking state, and the other terminal of the buzzer is connected to ground.

The unit is powered by a 9-V battery and draws a quiescent current of 1.7-2.5 mA. It is important for the enclosure to be well-insulated.

If by accident the circuit to the optocoupler and R2 is broken, electrolytic capacitor C2 might be damaged because it will be charged well above its 25-V rating. Secondly, where a plug is used for the mains connection, it is advisable to solder a 1-M $\Omega$  resistor across C1 so that this capacitor does not retain its charge after the plug is removed from the mains socket.

## ON INDICATOR



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Fig. 37-9

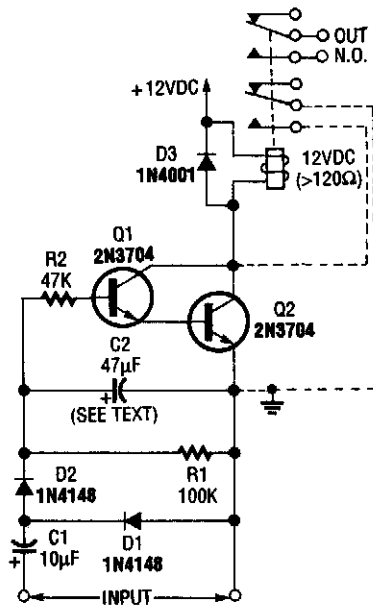
Battery-operated equipment can work on one set of batteries for a long time nowadays. However, if it is left on inadvertently, that "long time" is over very quickly. Moreover, flat (dead) batteries are always found at the wrong moment. The circuit proposed here is a sort of *aide-memoire*. Every two minutes, it emits 5 to 10 pips to indicate that the equipment is still switched on.

Basically, the circuit consists of three rectangle-wave generators and an inverter. The first of the generators is formed by N1 and provides a signal with a period of about two minutes and a pulse duration of around 10 seconds. During those 10 seconds, the second generator starts operating in a one-second rhythm. Thus, N2 outputs 10 pulses every 2 minutes. That output is inverted so that N4, like N2, can only be enabled during the 10-second pulse train from N1. The difference is that during those 10 seconds, N4 is enabled and inhibited 10 times; this is what causes the pips.

Do not take the times and number of pulses too literally, because wide variances are between ICs from different manufacturers. On the other hand, component values are not critical, so it is fairly easy to adapt the circuit to personal taste or requirements. The buzzer can be a standard Toko type or equivalent. The current drawn by the circuit is negligible.



## SOUND SENSOR



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Fig. 37-10(a)

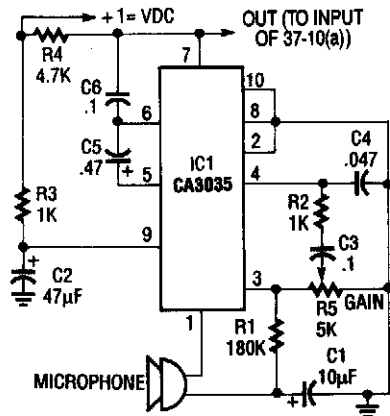
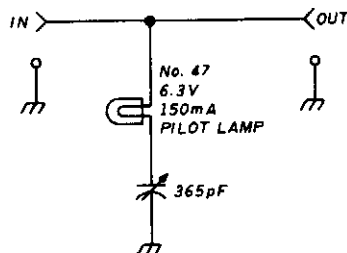


Fig. 37-10(b)

By using a microphone, high-gain amplifier (Fig. 37-10(b)), and detector-relay driver (Fig. 37-10(a)) a sound-detecting alarm system can be constructed. If you want a latching setup, make the dotted connections to the relay shown in Fig. 37-10(a).

## TRANSMITTER OUTPUT INDICATOR



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Fig. 37-11

Relative power can be indicated with this simple circuit. Adjust the 365-pF variable capacitor for desired lamp brightness.

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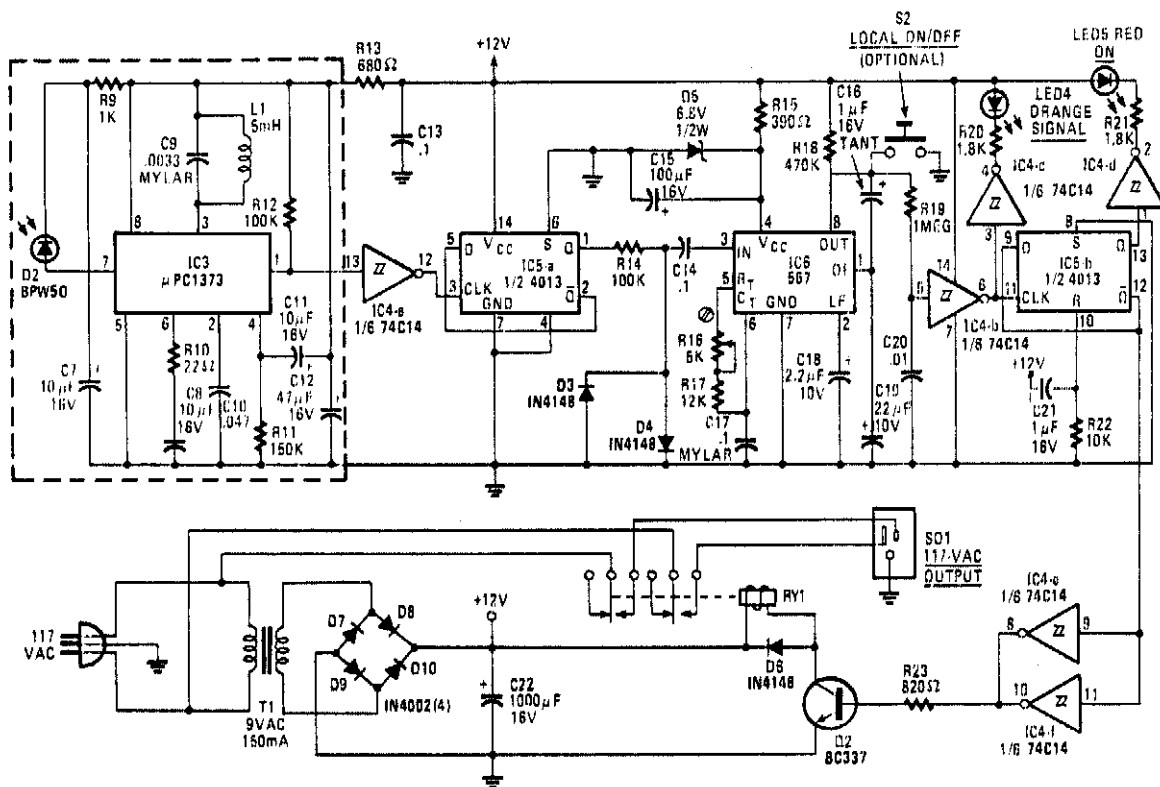
## Infrared Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 667. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- IR Receiver I
- IR Receiver II
- Wireless IR Security System
- IR Detector
- Infrared Remote Controller
- IR-Controlled Soldering Station
- Infrared "People" Detector
- IR Heat-Controlled Kitchen Fan
- Simple IR Transmitter
- IR Transmitter
- IR Remote Extender
- Infrared Remote-Control Tester
- Voice-Modulated Pulse FM IR Transmitter

## IR RECEIVER I



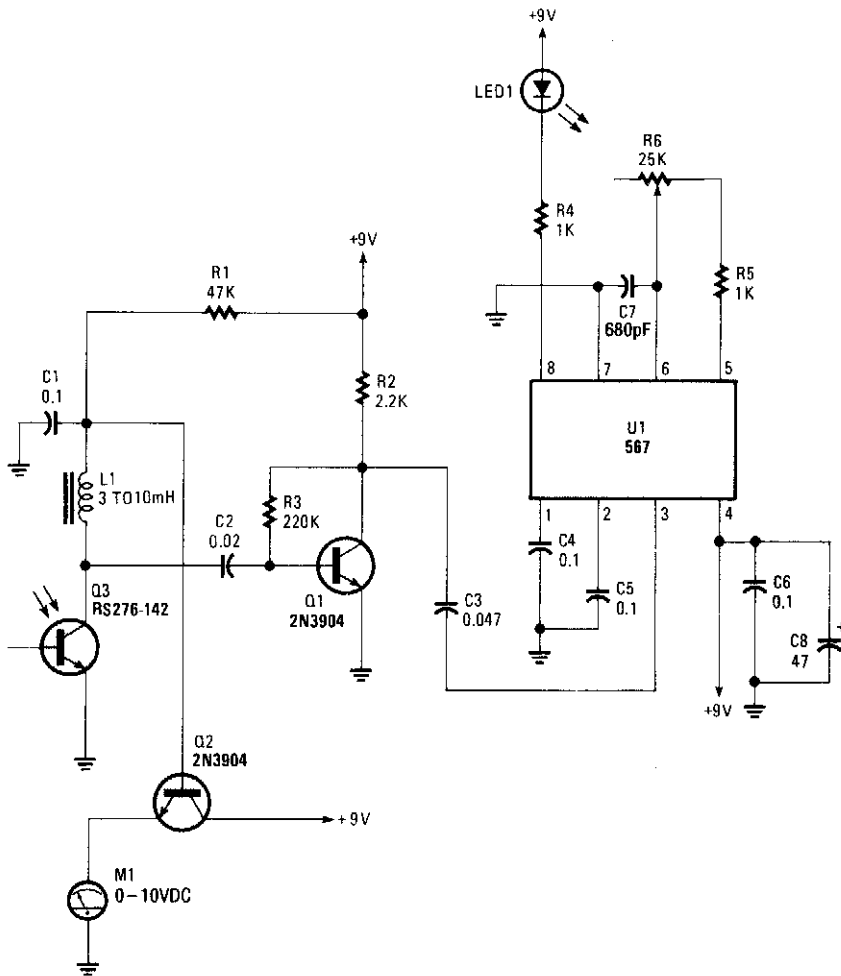
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Fig. 38-1

This receiver is built around a uPC1373 IR remote-control preamplifier, a sensitive 30-to-40 kHz tuned detector, an automatic gain control, a peak detector, and an output waveshaping buffer. The demodulated signal from the preamp stage is sent to IC4A, a 74C14 Schmitt trigger. The squared-up 1500-Hz signal is then sent to the clock input of IC5A, half of a 4013 dual "D" flip-flop. That 750-Hz signal is clipped to approximately 0.7-V p-p by diodes D3 and D4. The clipped signal is then fed to IC6, a 567 tone decoder. The output of that IC goes low whenever the frequency of the signal fed to it is within the lock range of its internal VCO.

When IC6 detects a signal of the proper frequency, pin 8 goes low. The output signal is fed through another Schmitt trigger (IC4B), which drives another "D" flip-flop, IC5B. Schmitt trigger IC4B also drives IC4C, which in turn drives LED4, SIGNAL, which lights up whenever a signal is received. The Q output of IC5B drives two parallel-connected inverters. IC4C and IC4F turn transistor Q2 on when Q goes low. That transistor energizes the relay; its contacts switch the controlled device on and off.

## IR RECEIVER II

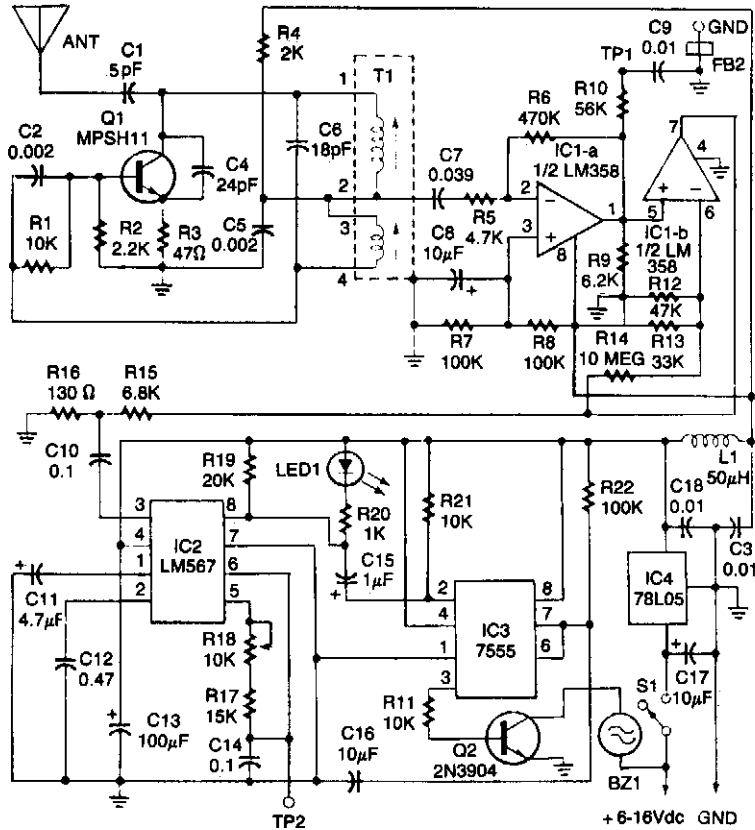


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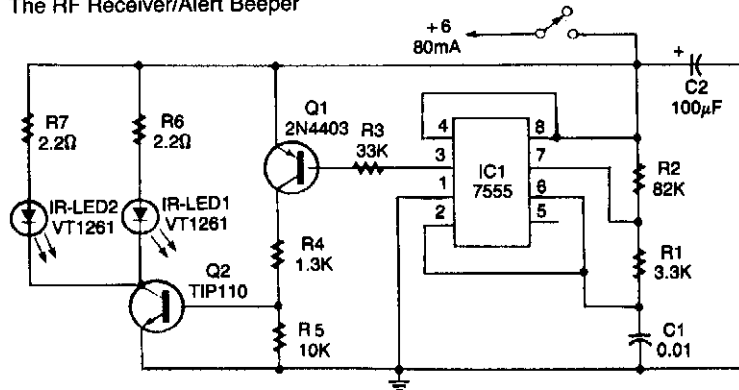
**Fig. 38-2**

Q3 is an IR phototransistor that responds to a modulated IR beam. Q1 amplifies the ac component of the IR beam. Q2 drives a meter as a relative indication of the strength of the light beam. A strong beam gives a lower meter reading. U1 is a tone decoder that produces a low output on pin 1 during reception for an IR beam that is modulated with the correct tone frequency, determined by R6.

## WIRELESS IR SECURITY SYSTEM



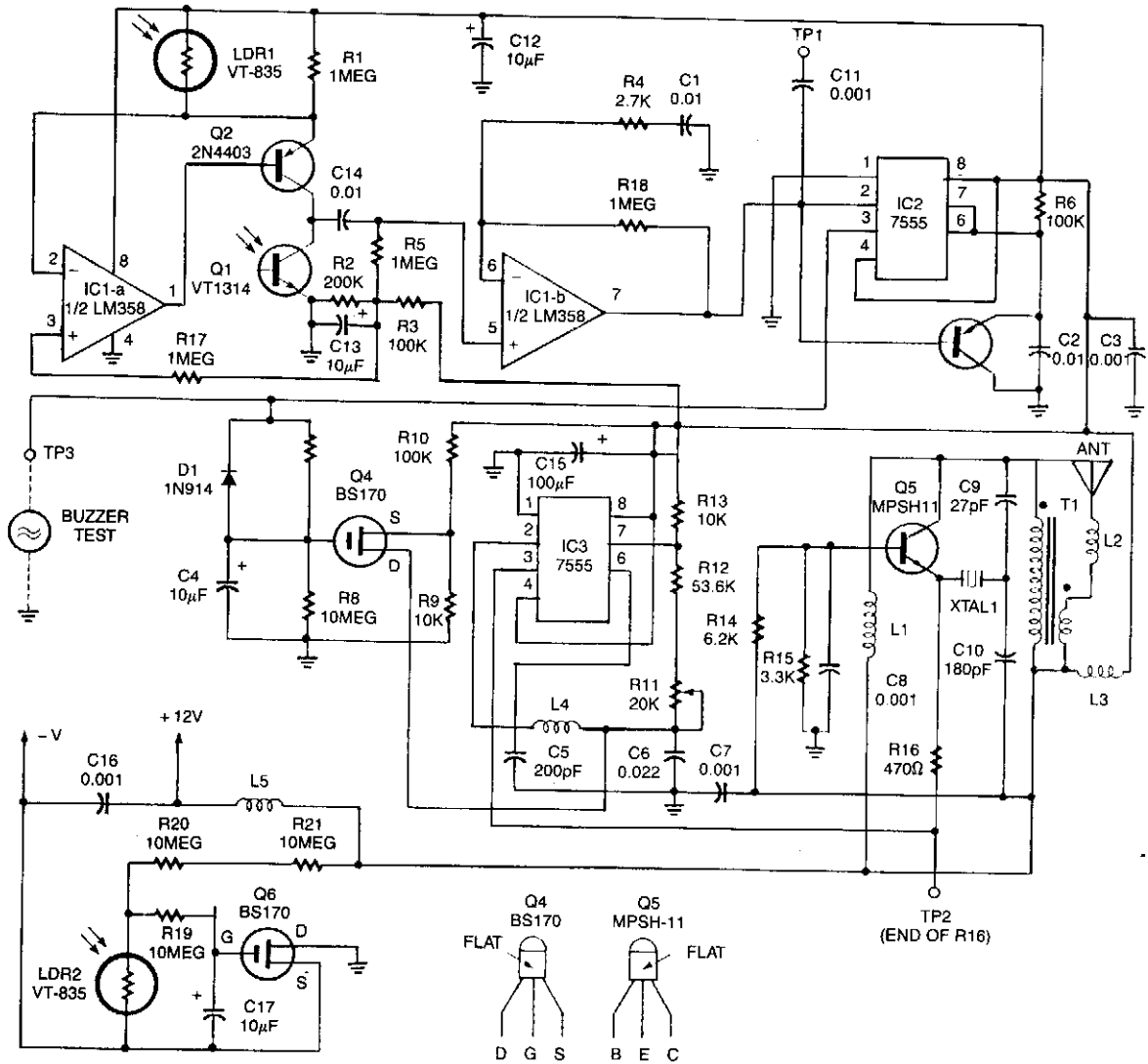
The RF Receiver/Alert Beeper



The IR Transmitter

This system contains an IR transmitter, an IR receiver/RF transmitter, and an RF receiver/alert beeper. Two IR LEDs in the transmitter transmit a pulsed beam of invisible infrared light to the receiver, which contains an IR phototransistor. The phototransistor detects and amplifies the pulse-modulated IR beam. If the receiver section senses that the IR beam is momentarily interrupted by an object blocking the

## WIRELESS IR SECURITY SYSTEM (Cont.)

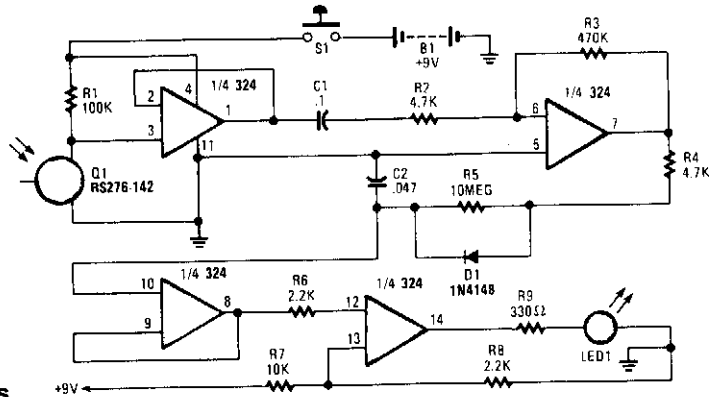


The IR Receiver/RF Transmitter

beam's path, it triggers the transmitter, which outputs a 49.890-MHz carrier that is amplitude-modulated by a 490-Hz tone.

Upon receiving the 490-Hz amplitude-modulated carrier, the RF receiver/beeper unit sounds an alarm that alerts the user to the intrusion. The system is not limited to just one RF transmitter. A single RF receiver/beeper can be used to monitor any number of RF transmitters (or locations). However, the receiver/beeper unit cannot discriminate between different transmitter sites in multiple-transmitter systems.

## IR DETECTOR

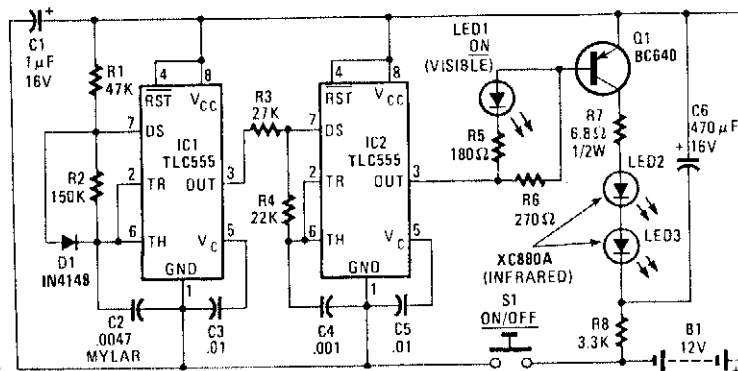


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Fig. 38-4

Useful for checking TV remote controls, IR-based alarm systems, and IR sources, this circuit causes LED1 to turn on for two seconds in the presence of IR light pulses. U1A acts as a voltage follower for detector Q1. C1 and R2 form a differentiating network and U1B acts as an amplifier for the pulses, which charges C2. Voltage follower U1C samples the voltage on C2 and drives comparator U1D, which switches LED1 on or off.

## INFRARED REMOTE CONTROLLER



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Fig. 38-5

The transmitter is built around two CMOS 555 timer ICs (TLC 555s). The transmitter generates a modulated 35-kHz IR signal. The 35-kHz carrier frequency is generated by IC2, and the 1 500-Hz modulating signal is generated by IC1. The output of IC2 drives LED1 through resistor R5; that LED provides visual indication that the transmitter is working. In addition, IC2 drives transistor Q1, which drives the two infrared LEDs (LED 2 and LED3).

To provide the high current needed to drive the two IR LEDs, capacitor C6 is precharged, the charge it contains is dumped when S1 is pressed. When S1 is not pressed, the power to the ICs is cut off. However, C6 is kept charged via R8. Then, when S1 is pressed, the current stored in C6 can be used to drive the LEDs for as much as 1/2 second. That's plenty of time for the receiver to pick up a signal.

## IR-CONTROLLED SOLDERING STATION

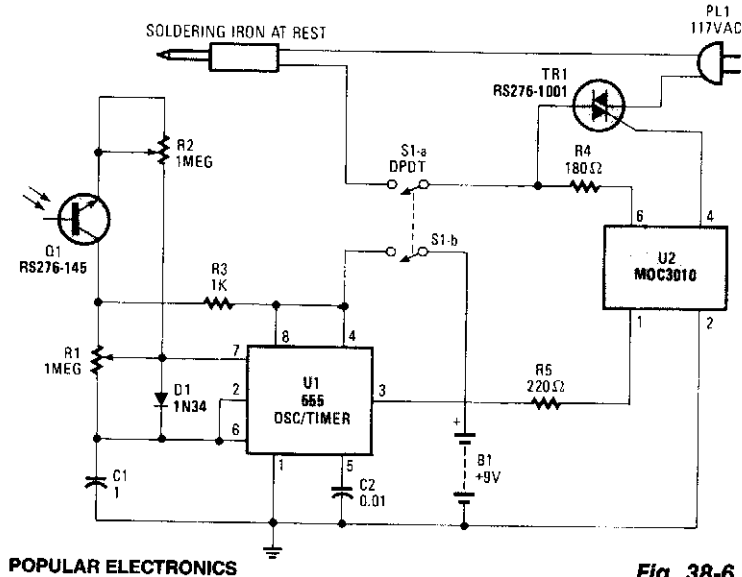
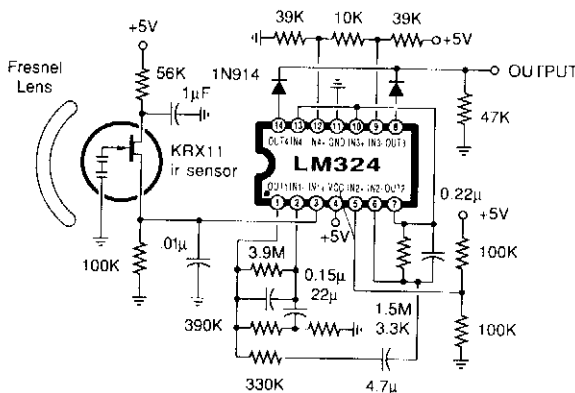


Fig. 38-6

An IR-sensitive phototransistor is used to sense soldering-iron temperature. The phototransistor must see the tip through an opaque tube to avoid stray light, and the phototransistor should preferably be fitted with an IR filter. An old photo negative, dark red plastic, or red or black glass can be used. The iron sits on a holder.

When the iron is removed from the holder, the iron is not being viewed by the detector. The heat will increase, but the circuit has a lag time; if the iron is returned to its holder after each use, overheating should not be a problem.

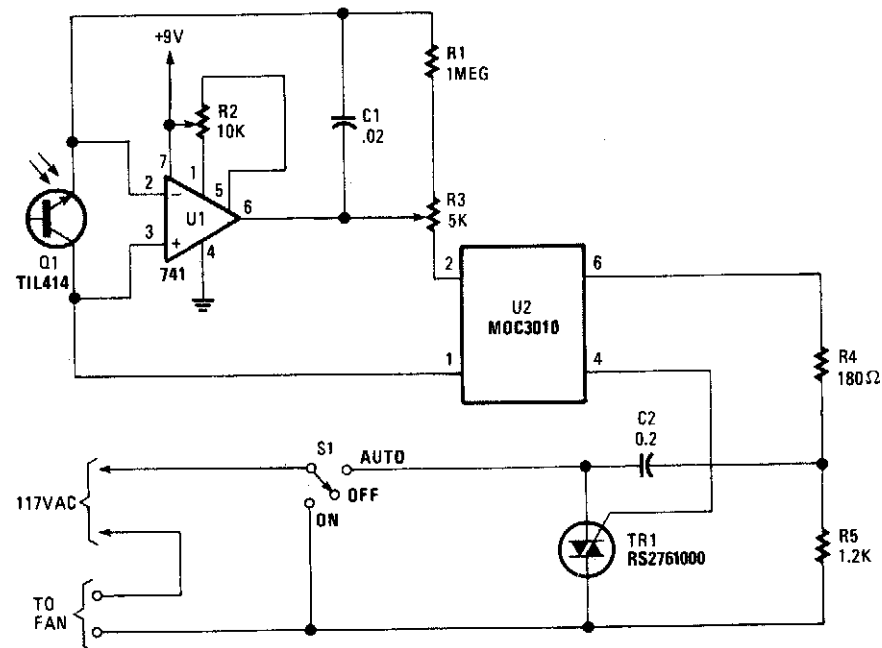
## INFRARED "PEOPLE" DETECTOR



This circuit uses an Amperex pyroelectric IR sensor, an LM324 op amp (configured as a high-gain amplifier in the 0.3-to 5-Hz range), and a window detector. The output will go high on any motion, which will change the infrared signature seen by the sensor.



## IR HEAT-CONTROLLED KITCHEN FAN

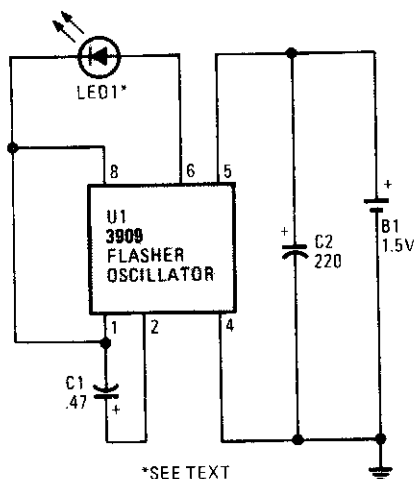


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Fig. 38-8

Q1 senses IR from heat sources, causes U1 to switch, activates optocoupler U1, and triggers TR1. This controls a fan. The Triac is from Radio Shack, or else a 200-V, 6-A unit (C106B) can be used.

## SIMPLE IR TRANSMITTER



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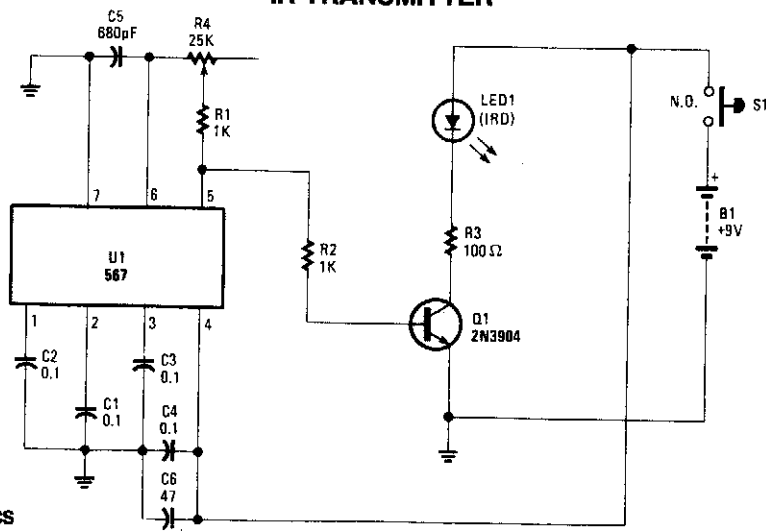
The IR diode's flash rate is determined by the value of C1, a 220- $\mu$ F capacitor that sets the rate of oscillation at 1 Hz per second. Reducing C1 will increase the frequency of the circuit, while larger values will decrease the frequency.

Because the circuit only sends out single, narrow pulses of invisible light, the IR receiver only responds with a click for every output pulse.

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Fig. 38-9

## IR TRANSMITTER

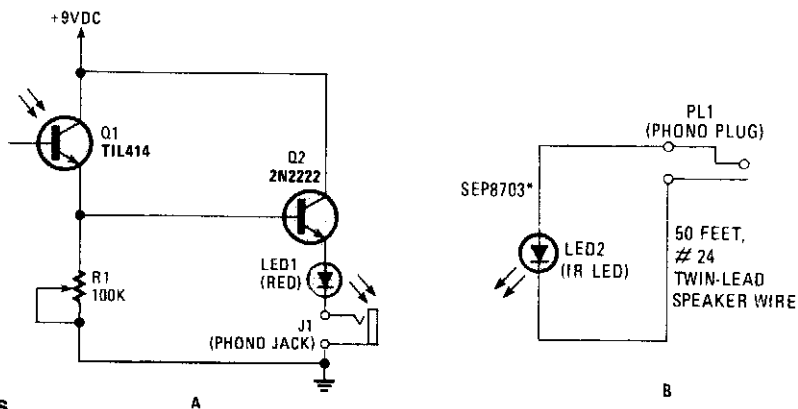


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Fig. 38-10

Using an NE567 as a tone oscillator, this circuit produces an IR signal from the LED, which is modulated with a square wave. LED1 is an IR-emitting LED. The modulation helps improve performance under high ambient light conditions.

## IR REMOTE EXTENDER



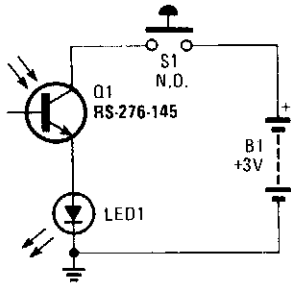
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Fig. 38-11

This circuit can be used to operate a VCR or CD player from another room. It's really an infrared signal repeater. The signal from the remote is received and then retransmitted over wires to an infrared LED. The beam from the LED is then picked up by the receiving window on the VCR or CD player.

The visible light LED (LED1) in series with the IR unit (LED2) is used to indicate that the transmitted signal has been detected. The 100-kΩ trimmer potentiometer (R1) adjusts the repeater's sensitivity. The resistor that is usually found in series with the LEDs is omitted, because the voltage reading is about 1.0 Vdc as a result of the voltage drop across the lines.

## INFRARED REMOTE CONTROL TESTER

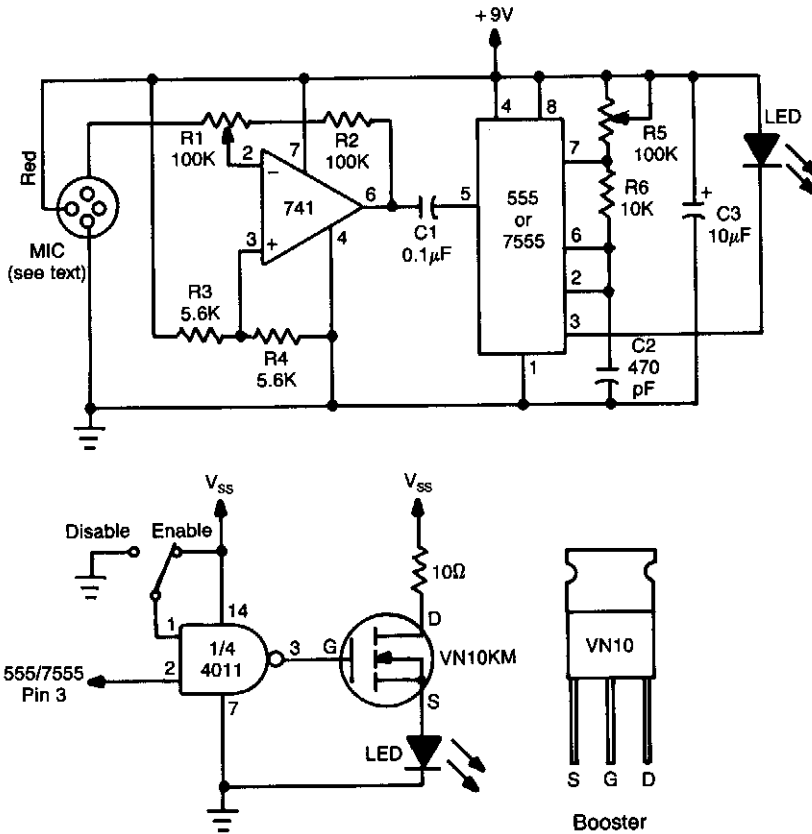


Using a battery, a phototransistor and a visible-light LED, this simple circuit is a "go/no go" tester for IR remote control devices. The illumination of the LED indicates that Q1 is being modulated by IR energy.

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Fig. 38-12

## VOICE-MODULATED PULSE FM IR TRANSMITTER



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Fig. 38-13

This circuit has a 741 audio amplifier, which is fed by a microphone (use an amplified type), an FM modulator, and a CMOS timer that acts as a VCO. The LED is pulsed with the timer output (the booster circuit can be used for increased range). This yields an FM-modulated, pulsed IR beam.

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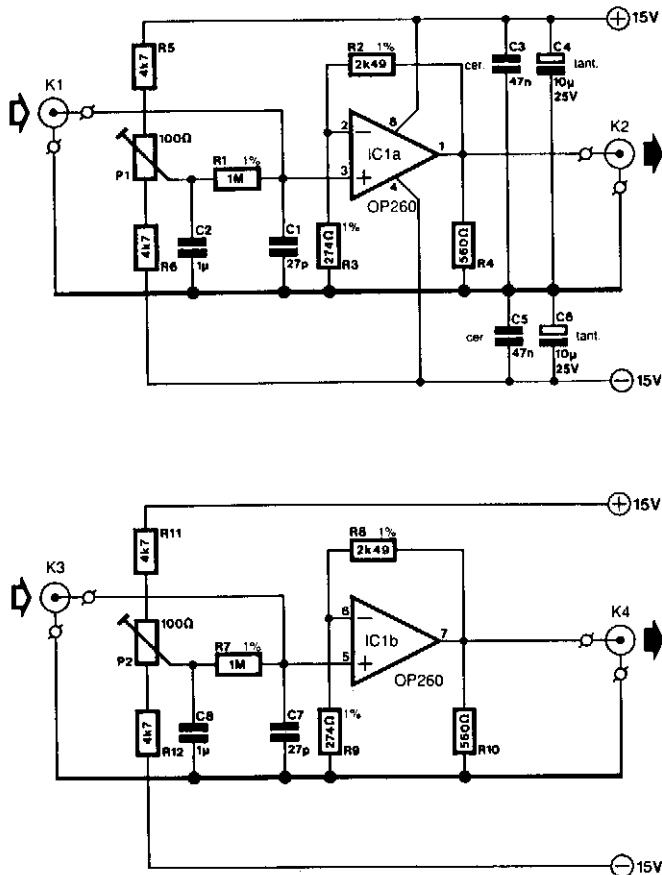
## Instrumentation Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 668. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Oscilloscope Preamp  
Low-Drift/Low-Noise dc Amplifier  
Instrumentation Amplifier  
Extended Common-Mode Instrument Amplifier

## OSCILLOSCOPE PREAMP



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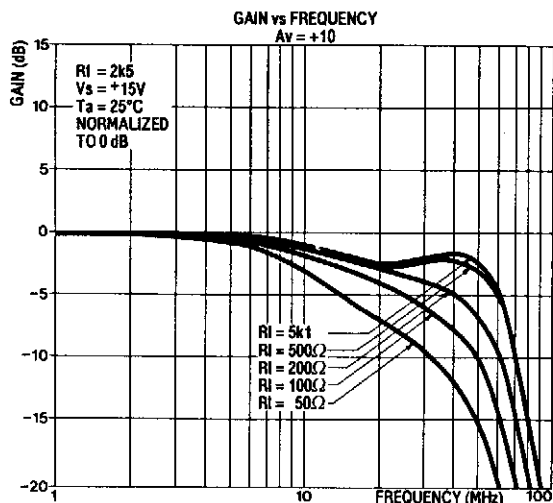
**Fig. 39-1(a)**

In many oscilloscopes, the most sensitive range is 2 to 5 mV, although it is often possible to improve this to 1 to 2 mV by a variable gain control. To obtain even better sensitivity, the present preamplifier, which has an amplification of about 10 (20 dB), might be useful.

Because most oscilloscopes have a bandwidth of 20 MHz or more, the amplifier must, of course, have a slightly wider bandwidth and that is achieved with a Type OP260 op amp. This has a slew rate of 550 V/μs (at an amplification of 10) and a bandwidth of 40 MHz that is virtually independent of the amplification. The gain vs. frequency response is not so good, however: as can be seen from Fig. 39-1(b), where the characteristics are given for a number of loads. The hump in the curves depends on the value of the feedback resistor, whose optimum value appears to be 2.5 kΩ.

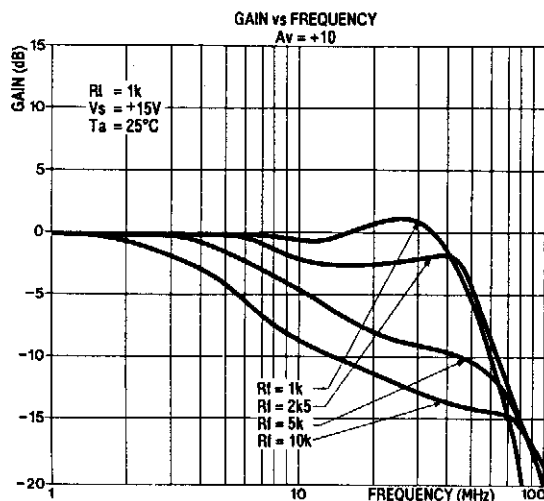
The curves in Fig. 39-1(c) accord with different values of  $R_2/R_3$  for an amplification factor of 10. Some experimentation with the value of  $R_2/R_3$  for different amplification factors can be instructive. Remember, however, that the output impedance increases from 20 to 225 Ω over the frequency range of 10 MHz to 60–70 MHz. It is therefore important to keep all connections on the prototyping board as short as possi-

## OSCILLOSCOPE PREAMP (Cont.)



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**Fig. 39-1(b)**



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**Fig. 39-1(c)**

ble and to connect all earth points to a common ground via a separate, heavy track. Also, do not use an IC socket.

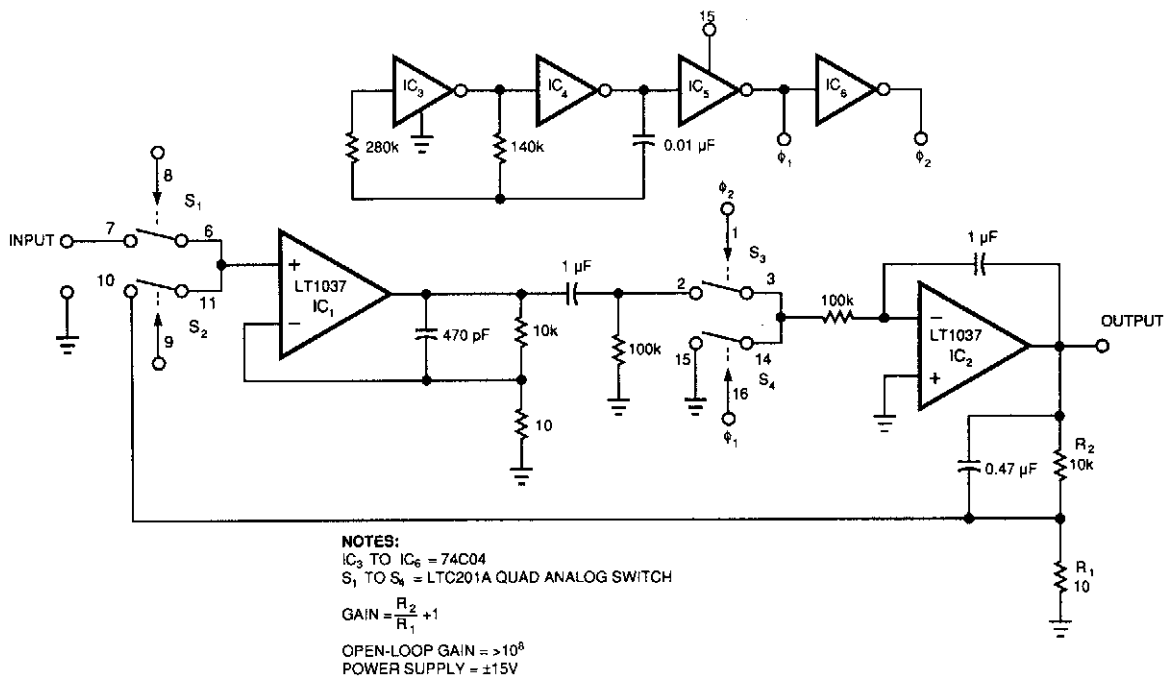
An input impedance of  $1\text{ M}\Omega$  was chosen, which results in a fairly high level of noise at the output (with open-circuit input). This value can be reduced, because otherwise the use of a 1:10 probe will be inhibited; it would give constant problems with the noise. However, when the amplifier is connected to a suitable source, the noise reduction is normally more than ample to obtain a good trace on the screen. Presets P1 and P2 provide compensation for the dc offset and input offset, caused by R1 and R7 respectively.

The input bias current for the noninverting input is about 10 times lower than that for the inverting input, which makes the OP260 more suitable for noninverting circuits. The inverting circuit can also give problems because of the low values of  $R_2$  ( $R_8$ ) and  $R_3$  ( $R_9$ ). The input bias current is typically  $0.2\ \mu\text{A}$ , and the input offset is about 3 mV (max. 7 mV).

In this type of circuit, it is important to use a well-regulated power supply. The power-supply suppression up to 10 kHz is roughly 70 dB, and this reduces with increasing frequency. Any noise or tiny ripple on the supply lines would make the application of the circuit as a small-signal amplifier impossible.

The circuit draws a current of about 14 mA. The slew rate, as with most op amps, is asymmetric and might lead to visible distortion of the signal when the drive to the  $560\text{-}\Omega$  resistor is high at the higher frequencies.

## LOW-DRIFT/LOW-NOISE dc AMPLIFIER



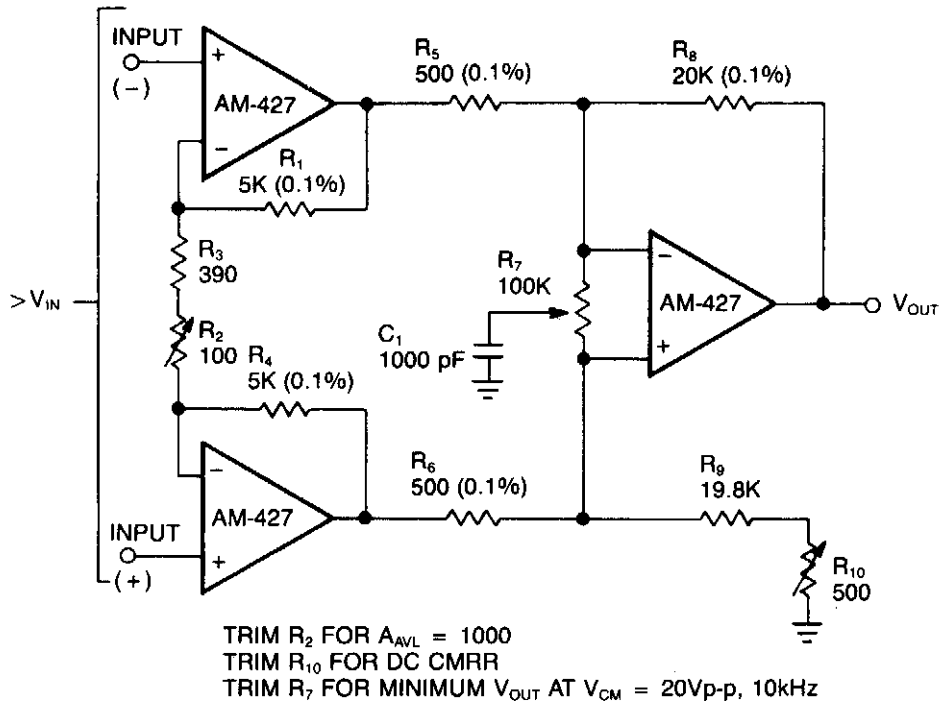
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**Fig. 39-2**

Figure 39-2's circuit combines a low-noise op amp, IC<sub>1</sub>, with a chopper-based carrier-modulation scheme to achieve a low-noise, low-drift dc amplifier whose performance exceeds any currently available monolithic amplifier. The amplifier's offset is less than 1  $\mu V$ , and its drift is less than 0.05  $\mu V/^\circ C$ . This circuit has noise within a 10-Hz bandwidth less than 40 nV. The amplifier's bias current, which is set by the bipolar input of IC<sub>1</sub>, is about 25 nA.

The 74C04 inverters (IC<sub>3</sub> to IC<sub>6</sub>) form a simple 2-phase square-wave clock that runs at about 350 Hz. The complementary oscillator signals ( $O_1$  and  $O_2$ ) provide drive to S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>, respectively, causing a chopped version of the input to appear at IC<sub>1</sub>'s input. IC<sub>1</sub> amplifies this ac signal. S<sub>3</sub> and S<sub>4</sub> synchronously demodulate IC<sub>1</sub>'s square-wave output. Because S<sub>3</sub> and S<sub>4</sub> switch synchronously with S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>, the circuit presents proper amplitude and polarity information to IC<sub>2</sub>, the dc output amplifier. This output stage integrates the square wave to provide a dc voltage output. R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> divide the output and feed it back to the input chopper where the divided output serves as a zero signal reference. The ratio of R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> sets the gain, in this case to 1 000.

## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



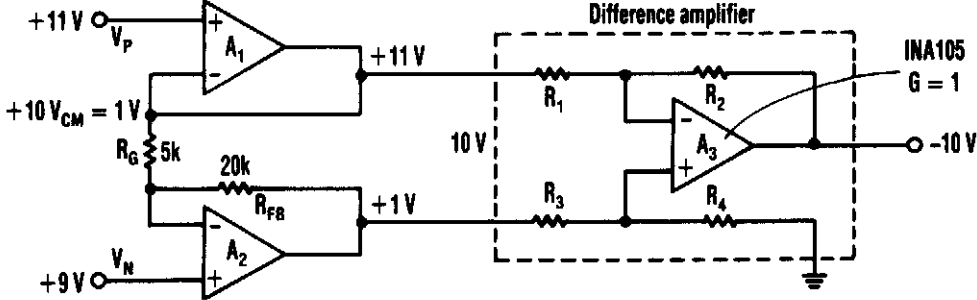
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Fig. 39-3

In a single difference amplifier configuration, the AM-427 exhibits excellent common-mode rejection and spot noise voltage so low it is dominated by the resistor Johnson noise. The three-amplifier configuration shown avoids the low input-impedance characteristics of difference amplifiers. Because of the additional amplifiers used, the spectral noise voltage will increase from a typical of 3 nV/Hz to approximately 4.9 nV/Hz. The overall gain of the circuit is set at 1000; with balanced source resistors, a CMRR of 100 dB is achieved.



EXTENDED COMMON-MODE INSTRUMENT



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 39-4

These circuits allow a larger common-mode range than most instrument amplifier inputs can allow.

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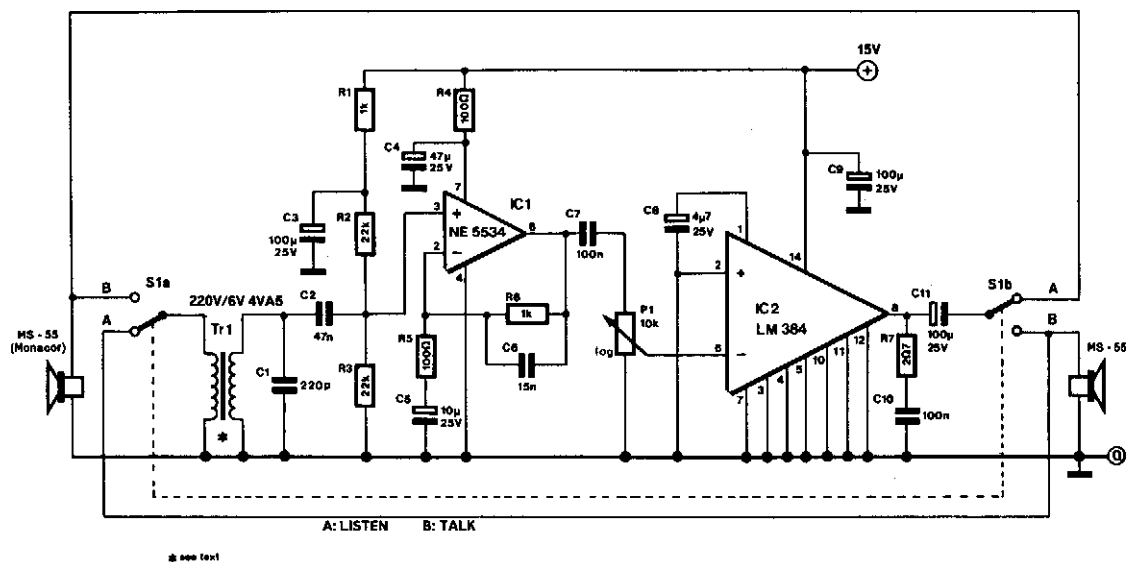
## Intercom

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 668. The figure number in the box correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Two-Wire Intercom

## TWO-WIRE INTERCOM



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Fig. 40-1

The design consists of an amplifier, a double-pole changeover switch and two loudspeakers: one for the master station and one for the slave. More than one slave unit can be used, but each requires an additional changeover switch.

The power amplifier is a Type LM384, which can provide almost 2 W output at a supply voltage of 15 V. Pins 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, and 12 are connected to ground and at the same time afford some cooling of the device. Because of that, the IC should not be fitted in a socket, but be soldered direct to the circuit board.

The LM384 processes signals with respect to earth so that an asymmetric supply is sufficient. The amplification has been set internally to  $\times 50$  (34 dB). The IC's supply line is decoupled by C9.

To ensure adequate input sensitivity, a preamplifier, IC1, is provided, which has an amplification of 11 (21 dB). Because this stage is intended for speech only, its bandwidth is limited to 160 Hz to 10 kHz. Divider R2/R3 at the input of the op amp is decoupled by C3.

Special loudspeakers that can also serve as microphones are readily available: in the prototype, MS-55 units from Monacor were used, but a number of other makes will do just as well. The bandwidth of the MS-55 (used as loudspeaker) extends from 150 Hz to 20 kHz and (used as a microphone) from 20 Hz to 20 kHz. The MS-55 can handle up to 5-W output. To ensure satisfactory operation, particularly as a microphone, the loudspeaker must be fitted in a closed box.

Although it is advantageous for the "microphone" to have a low internal resistance, it is necessary for a transformer to be used at the input of the circuit. This has, however, the advantage that long cables can be used. The present circuit uses a standard mains transformer instead of a special microphone transformer. For this purpose, the secondary (6 V) winding is connected to the "microphone." The microphone impedance is thereby magnified from about 8  $\Omega$  to around 10 k $\Omega$ . The power handling of the

## TWO-WIRE INTERCOM (Cont.)

transformer is quite high to ensure that signal losses in the primary winding are kept at a minimum. Capacitor C1 suppresses HF interference.

If the mains transformer and the "microphone transformer" are housed in the same enclosure, some trial and error and screening are necessary to eliminate hum. The "microphone transformer" itself might cause hum in the remainder of the circuit. In that case, the preamp stage must also be screened.

In the prototype, the speech bandwidth was limited from 400 Hz to 4 kHz and this proved perfectly acceptable for good speech transfer. Most of the current drawn by the circuit flows through the power amplifier. At worst, this is 210 mA (680 mA peak), when the amplifier delivers 1.8-W output. The LM384 can deliver a power of up to 5 W. The supply voltage should then be raised to 22 V and a heatsink for the device will be necessary.

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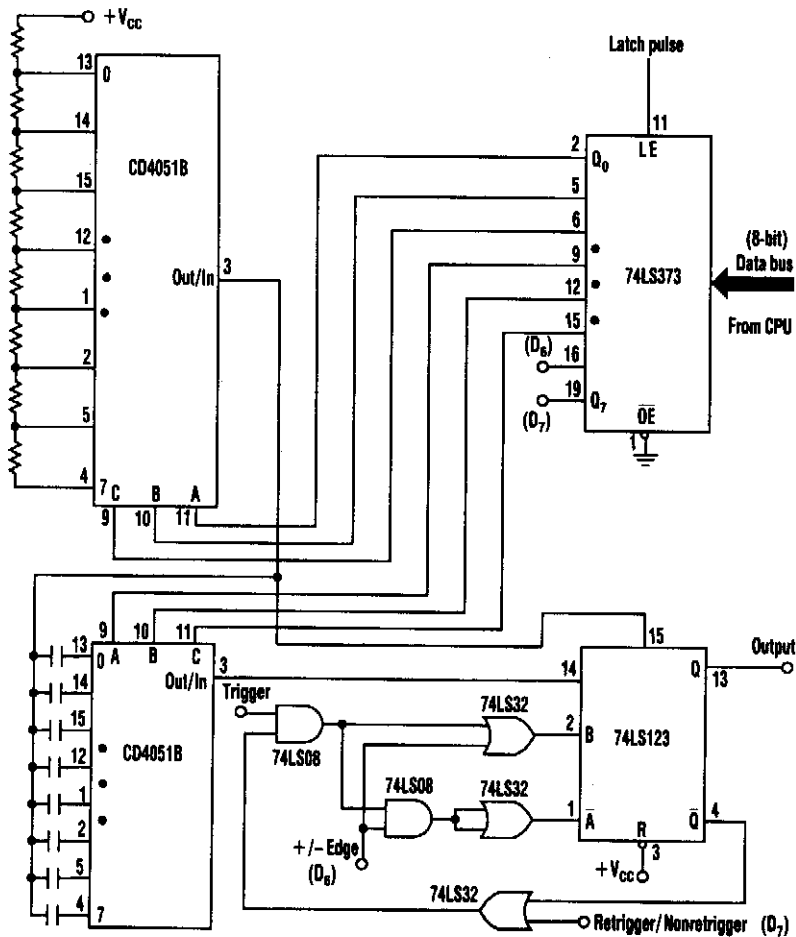
## Interface Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 668. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Versatile One-Shot CPU Interface  
Keyboard Matrix Interface  
Low-Level Power FET Driver Method  
Logic-Level Translators

## VERSATILE ONE-SHOT CPU INTERFACE



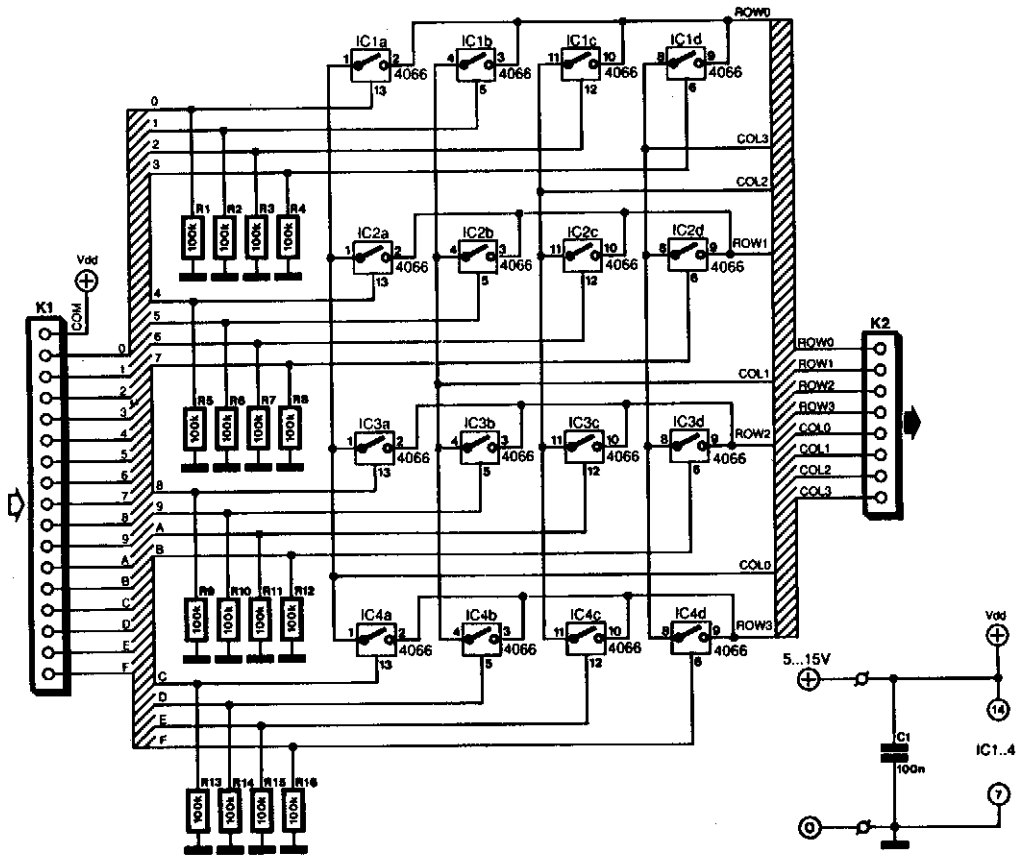
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 41-1

Process-control applications often require a monostable multivibrator (one-shot) with a pulse width that can be selected on-the-fly.

This circuit uses two CD4051B analog multiplexers to select the required timing components for the multivibrator, and hence, the pulse width. The multiplexers' address input comes from an 8-bit latch. Bit D6 tells the multivibrator whether to trigger on the leading or trailing edge of the trigger input. Bit D7 determines whether the multivibrator should be in a retriggerable or nonretriggerable mode.

## KEYBOARD MATRIX INTERFACE



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Fig. 41-2

Keyboards can be slotted into two categories, at least as far as the manner that the switches are connected is concerned: those with a common connection and those with the switches arranged in a matrix.

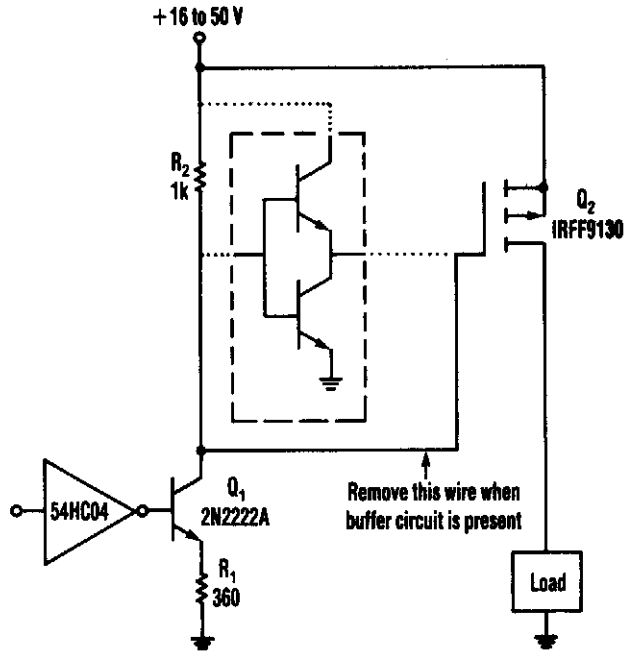
The matrix type has the important advantage that the number of connections is an absolute minimum. Such an arrangement is ideal for ICs; many of these are designed for use with a matrix keyboard.

However, many keyboards are available in job lots, for instance, that apart from a common connection also have a connector for each key. Such keyboards can be connected to ICs that require a matrix type with the aid of a number of electronic switches.

The principle is straightforward: each key of the keyboard controls an electronic switch that is included in a matrix. As an example, the diagram shows a hexadecimal keyboard that is arranged in a 4- x -4 matrix. Each of the electronic switches is held in the open position by a pull-down resistor.

The current drawn by the circuit is very small and is determined mainly by the value of the pull-down resistors and the number of keys being pressed. The CMOS switches draw virtually no current.

## LOW-LEVEL POWER FET DRIVER METHOD



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 41-3

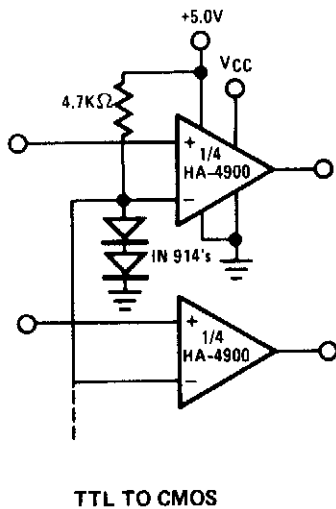
This circuit operates from a 16- to 50-V supply. Adding the buffer circuit (within the dashed lines) offers 100-ns switching times. Otherwise, the circuit switches in 1  $\mu$ s.

Q1 and R1 form a switched current source of about 12 mA. The current flows through R2, which supplies 12 V to the FET. The circuit works well over a wide range of supply voltages. Furthermore, it switches smoothly in the presence of large ripple and noise on the supply. The switching time (about 1  $\mu$ s) can be reduced considerably by lowering the values of R1 and R2 at the expense of higher power dissipations in the resistors and Q1. Alternatively, a buffer circuit can be added to produce switching times of 100 ns without generating significant power dissipation.



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## LOGIC-LEVEL TRANSLATORS



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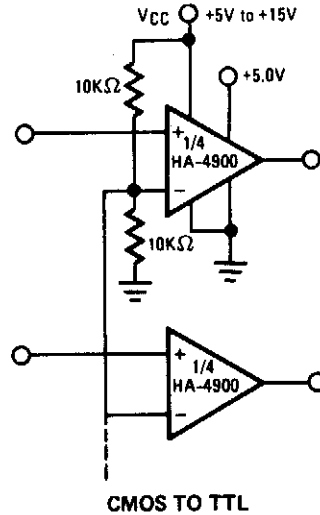


Fig. 41-4

The HA-4900 series comparators can be used as versatile logic interface devices, as shown in these circuits. Negative logic devices can also be interfaced with appropriate supply connections. If separate supplies are used for  $V_-$  and  $V_{\text{LOGIC}-}$ , these logic-level translators will tolerate several volts of ground-line differential noise.

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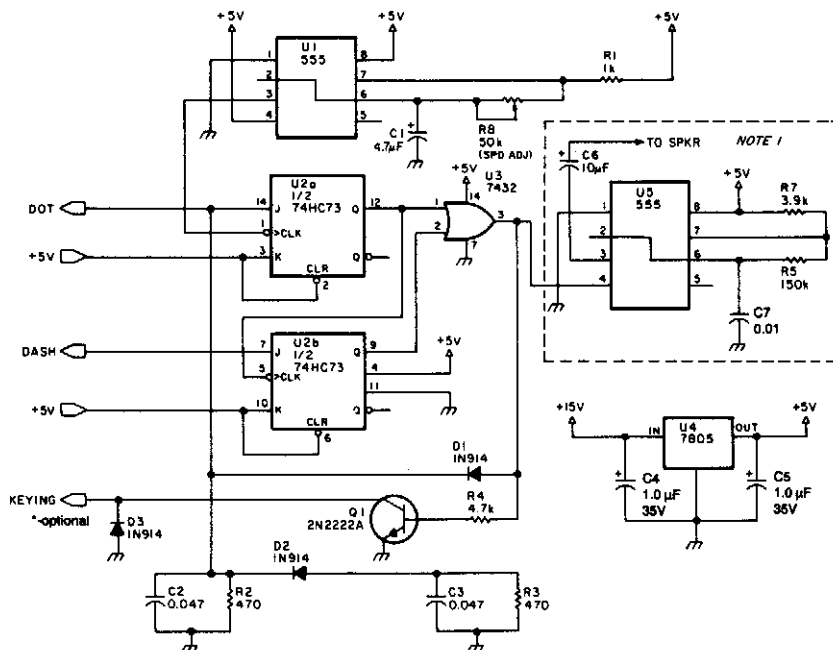
## Keying Circuits

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CW Keyer  
Transmitter Negative Key Line Keyer  
Frequency Shift Keyer

## CW KEYS

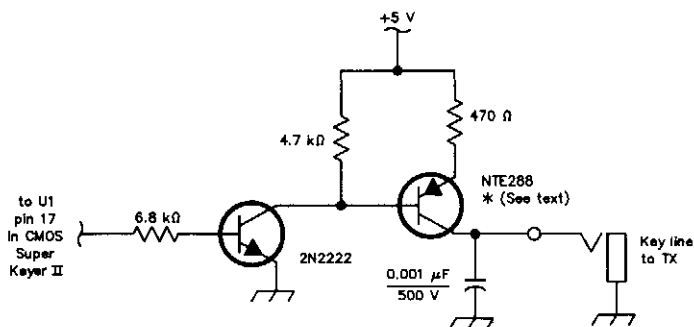


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Fig. 42-1

This electronic keyer uses four ICs (five, if the optional sidetone oscillator is desired) and operates from dc sources of 9 to 15 V. A 2N2222 is used as a keying transistor. If isolators or more power handling ability is desired, a 6-V relay can be keyed with the 2N2222 and the relay in turn can be used to key the transmitter.

## TRANSMITTER NEGATIVE KEY LINE KEYS

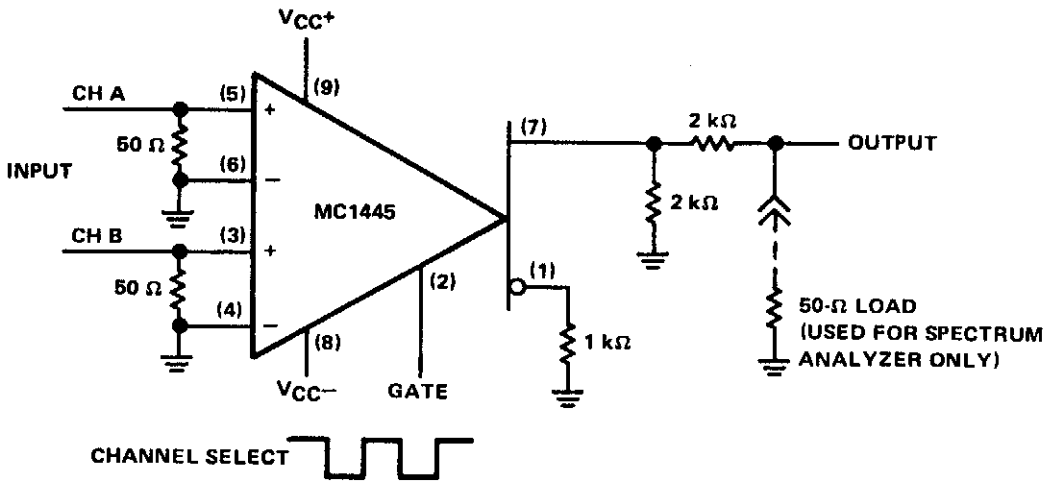


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Fig. 42-2

Using an NTE288 (or ECG288, GE223, or SK3434), this circuit can key a negative line up to  $-300$  V maximum. Do not use this circuit to key a vacuum-tube amplifier that draws grid current because the keying transistor might be damaged under these conditions.

## FREQUENCY SHIFT KEYS



TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

*Fig. 42-3*

Apply a signal to each differential amplifier input pair. When the gate voltage is changed from one extreme to the other, the output can be switched alternately between the two input signals. When the gate level is high (1.5 V), a signal applied between pins 5 and 6 (channel A) will be passed and a signal applied between pins 3 and 4 (channel B) will be suppressed. In this manner, a binary-to-frequency conversion is obtained that is directly related to the binary sequence, which is driving the gate input (pin 2).

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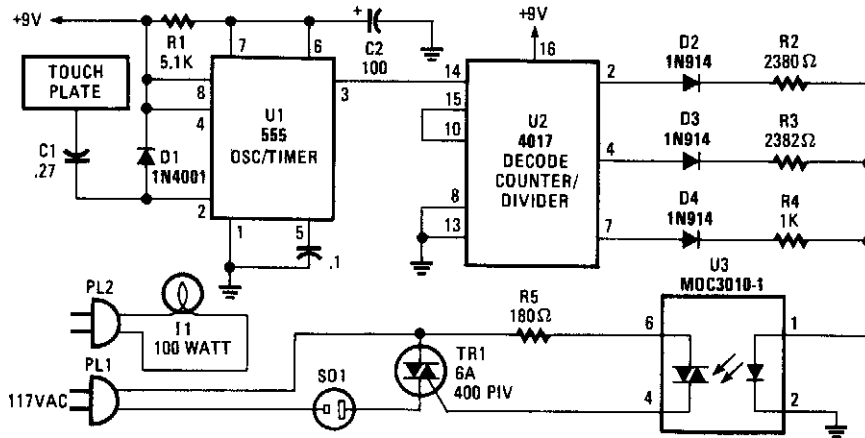
## Light-Control Circuits

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Three-Way Touch Lamp  
Light Dimmer/Speed Control  
Four-Quadrant Dimmer  
Light Dimmer  
Automatic Emergency Lighting Unit  
Lights-On Sensor  
Light Chaser I  
3-Way Light Control  
Light Chaser II  
Light Controller  
“Automatic” Light Bulb Changer  
Inductive Load Triac Switch  
Christmas Light Driver  
SCR Capacitor Turn-Off Circuit

### THREE-WAY TOUCH LAMP



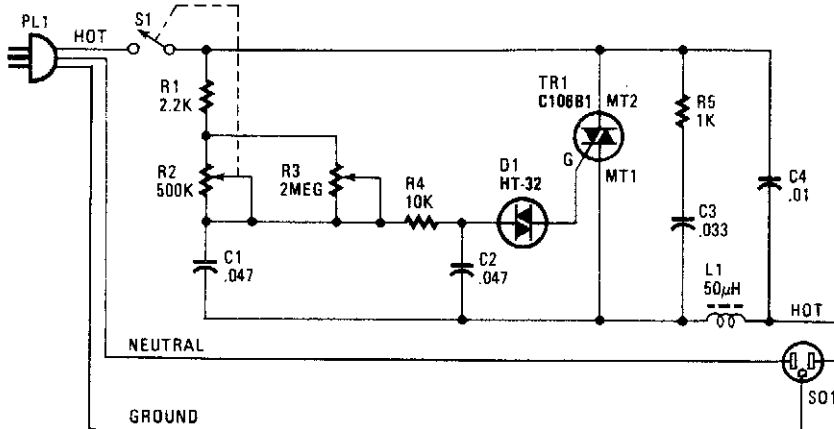
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-1

A three-way switch to control a lamp (off-dim-bright, etc.) uses an NE555 timer to generate a one-second pulse, triggered by ambient ac fields that are picked up by the human body. C1 and D1 form an input network. U2 is a decode counter/divider and drives one of 10 outputs (three are used). The logic outputs drive various resistors in series with the LED in the optocoupler. The optocoupler controls a triac that is in series with a load (lamp, etc.).

By reconfiguring the outputs of U2, more than three brightness levels can be obtained, up to 10. An IN914 and resistor will be required for each output.

### LIGHT DIMMER/SPEED CONTROL

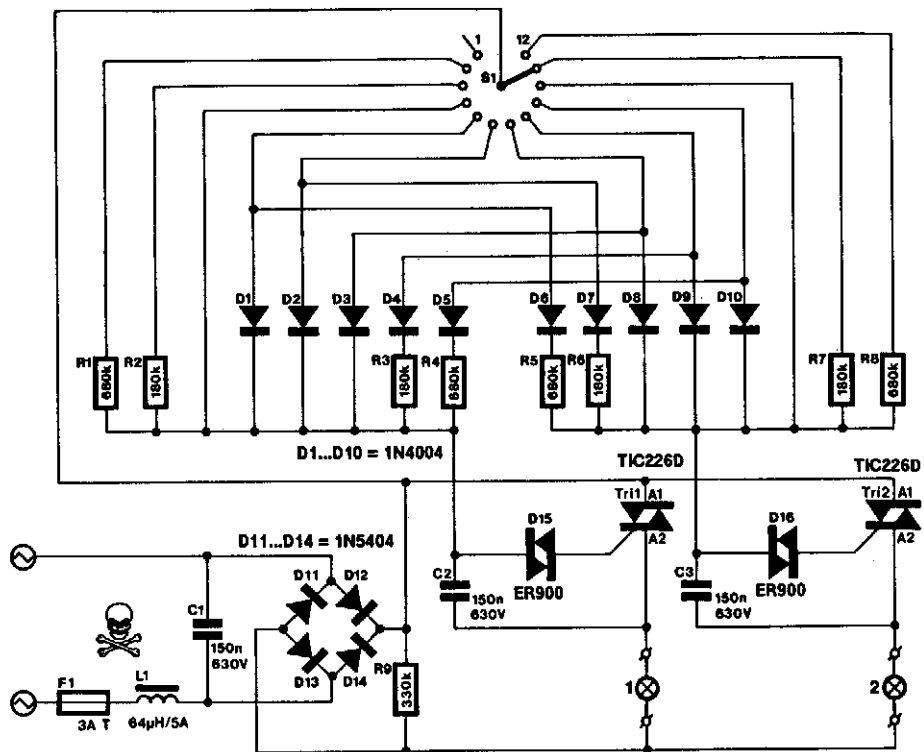


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Fig. 43-2

A phase-controlled triac (HT-32) circuit provides control of effective voltage at load. Do not omit L1 and C4 because they are for RFI suppression. The maximum load is about 500 W. **WARNING:** 120 Vac is present on this circuit—provide adequate insulation and construction techniques.

## FOUR-QUADRANT DIMMER



| Switch position | Brightness |         |
|-----------------|------------|---------|
|                 | Group A    | Group B |
| 1               | 0          | 0       |
| 2               | 1/3        | 0       |
| 3               | 2/3        | 0       |
| 4               | 1          | 0       |
| 5               | 1          | 1/3     |
| 6               | 1          | 2/3     |
| 7               | 1          | 1       |
| 8               | 2/3        | 1       |
| 9               | 1/3        | 1       |
| 10              | 0          | 1       |
| 11              | 0          | 2/3     |
| 12              | 0          | 1/3     |

## FOUR-QUADRANT DIMMER (Cont.)

This very special mains-operated dimmer for domestic or industrial lights is not available in proprietary form; it enables brightness control of two groups of lights in one operation. The possible combinations of brightness are shown in the table. It will be clear that it is not possible to obtain continuous brightness control in the two groups. Instead, the circuit affords the setting of four states of brightness in either group: full on, fully dimmed,  $1/3$  on, and  $2/3$  on.

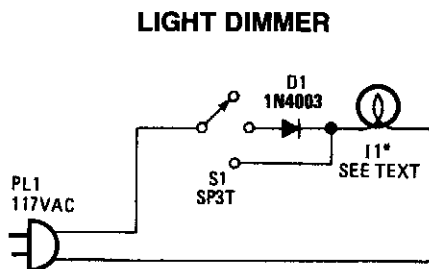
Both sections of the circuit operate on the well-known principle of the triac being switched from the blocking state to the conducting state with the aid of an RC network and a diode. The RC network provides the necessary phase shift and determines when the triac is switched. The rotary switch selects the resistor in a given network, and thus the brightness of the relevant group of lights. No resistor means that the group is off; a short-circuit gives maximum brightness, and resistors of  $10\text{ k}\Omega$  and  $18\text{ k}\Omega$  produce intermediate brightness. The diodes prevent the groups from affecting one another.

The  $64\text{-}\mu\text{H}$  choke (L1) and the  $150\text{ nF}$  capacitor across the bridge rectifier prevent the dimmer causing interference in other equipment connected to the mains.

If the triacs are fitted on a heatsink that is rated at  $12^\circ\text{ K/W}$ , up to  $500\text{ W}$  per group can be controlled. It is, of course, essential that the enclosure in which the dimmer is fitted provides ample cooling. A fair number of slots or holes in it are, therefore, essential; these should not permit the circuit elements to be touched.

The switch should have a nonmetallic spindle: this is not only safer than a metallic one, but it also enables the easy removal of the end-notch so that the switch can be rotated continuously, instead of having to be returned to the first stop every time it is operated.

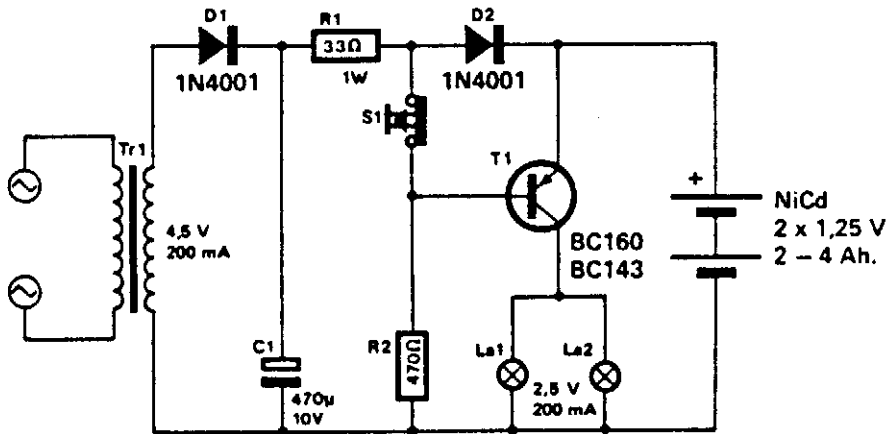
The mains on/off switch S2 should be fitted with a built-in ON indicator bulb, which shows at a glance whether the circuit is on, even though S1 might be in the OFF position. Finally, remember that this circuit carries mains voltage in many places: good workmanship and insulation are, therefore, of the utmost importance.



Lamp I1 is a household lamp. When the switch is in the center position, the lamp is operated on half-wave rectified ac; the effective voltage the lamp sees is less, which dims it. I1 can be a lamp up to  $200\text{ W}$  or  $50$  rated at  $120$  or  $240\text{ V}$ , and D1 should be a  $200\text{-V}$  PIV or better diode ( $400\text{ PIV}$  for  $240\text{-V}$  operation).



## AUTOMATIC EMERGENCY LIGHTING UNIT

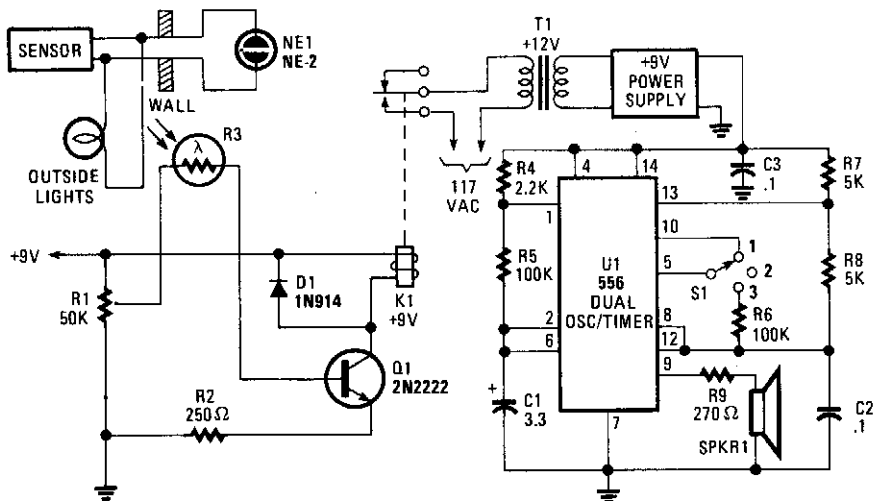


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Fig. 43-5

This unit uses a Nicad battery to provide power to an emergency lighting setup. When power fails, T1 becomes forward biased, which lights L1 and L2. The batteries are normally kept charged. When power is on, T1 is cut off and it keeps the lamps extinguished.

## LIGHTS-ON SENSOR

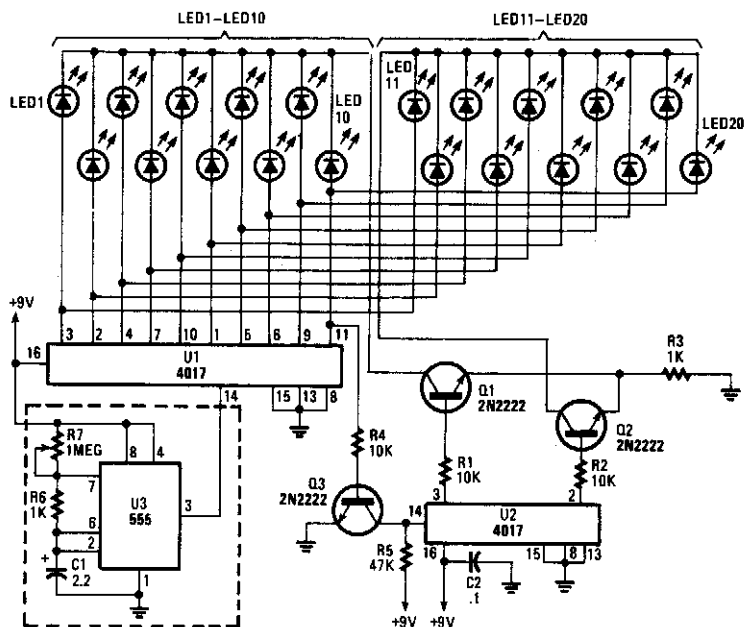


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-6

Remote monitoring of a light source is possible with this circuit. Photocell R3 activates Q1 and relay K1. U1 is a tone generator that drives a small speaker.

## LIGHT CHASER I

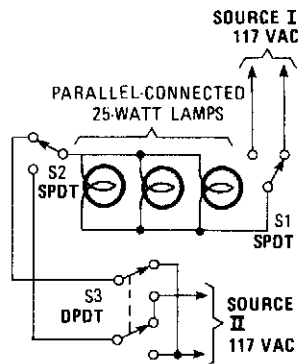


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-7

Up to 100 lights, LEDs, or optocoupler triac circuits can be sequentially activated by this circuit. One (U1) 4017 decode counter sequences 10 LEDs whose common anode is returned through a second (U2) CD4017, which counts at one-tenth of the rate. The flash rate is controlled by U3, a clock circuit, with a 555 timer.

## 3-WAY LIGHT CONTROL

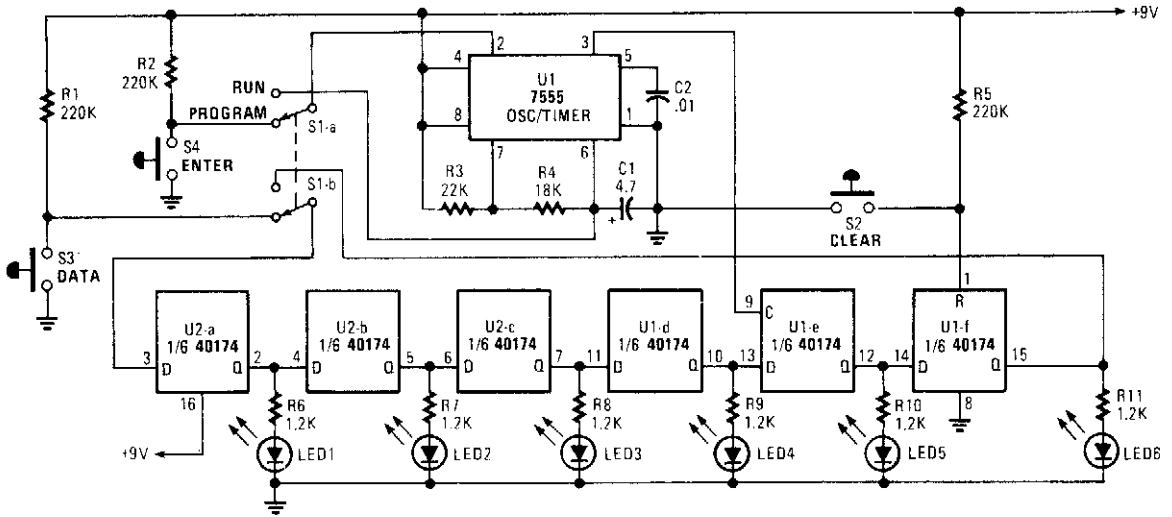


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-8

This hookup is useful in some house wiring situations, where only two wires are available between switches, rather than the usual 3-way setup where 3 wires are required. S1 and S2 are ordinary three-way switches and S3, a DPDT switch, is commonly available as a four-way switch at hardware stores.

## LIGHT CHASER II

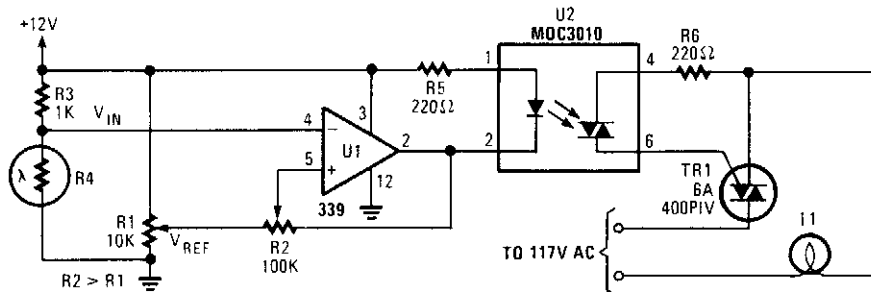


**Fig. 43-9**

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Up to six lights can be sequentially flashed using this circuit. LED1 through LED6 can be replaced by photocouplers (MOC3010, etc.) to control 120-Vac loads via triacs. U1 generates pulses that clock the shift register mode up of the six D flip-flops in the CD 40174. By S1A – B, the register can be programmed either ON or OFF (low or high) and then switched to run in the programmed sequence. S2 clears the program.

## LIGHT CONTROLLER

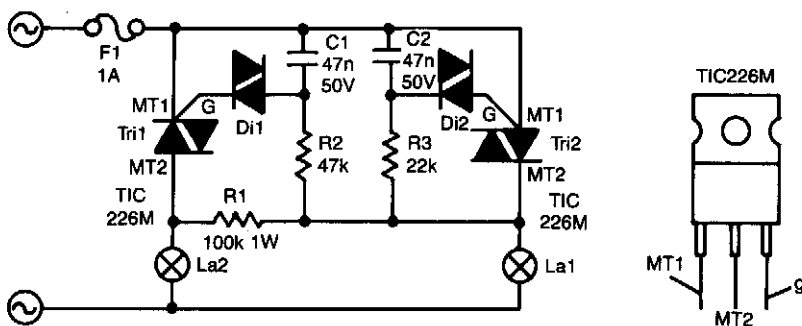


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 43-10**

A photocell drives U1, a comparator, which controls photocoupler U2. A 6A Triac is used to switch an ac load, such as a lamp, etc.

### 'AUTOMATIC' LIGHT BULB CHANGER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-11

The circuit presented here guarantees that if bulb La1 "gives up the ghost," bulb La2 will take over its task. In series with La1 is triac Tri2. Resistor R3 and C2 form a delay network. As soon as the voltage across C2 rises above about 30 V, diac (gateless triac) D2 is switched on, which causes Tri2 to conduct so that La1 lights.

The control circuit of La2 is parallel to that of La1, but because R2/C1 has twice the delay of R3/C2, Tri1 will not be triggered when Tri2 conducts; C1 discharges so that Tri1 cannot be triggered.

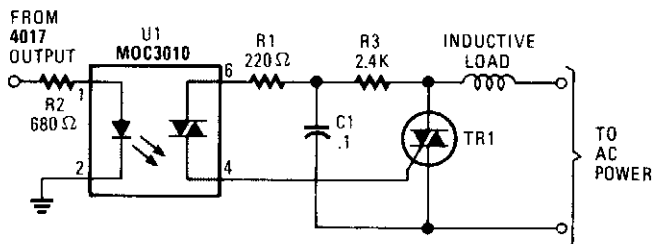
When, however, La1 is open-circuited, a voltage is across both RC networks via La2 and R1. Again, Tri2 will be triggered first, but because the current is smaller than its holding current, it will cease to conduct almost immediately. Capacitor C1 will then continue to charge and after a little while Tri1 is switched on.

Because the time constant for La2 is somewhat longer than that for La1, La2 will always be slightly less bright than La1. It is, of course, possible to give La2 a slightly higher wattage than La1 to ensure equal brightness.

Without heatsinks, the triacs can handle up to 100 W each; with heatsinks, powers of up to 1 000 W can be accommodated. It is not recommended to use bulbs with a wattage below 25 W, because these can flicker.

The triacs can be any type that can handle at least 400 V at no less than 5 A. The M types used in the prototype can handle 600 V at 5 A.

### INDUCTIVE LOAD TRIAC SWITCH



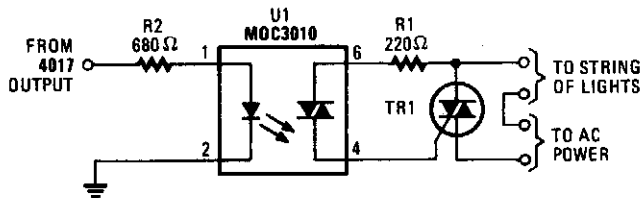
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-12

An additional resistor and capacitor enable control of an inductive load, such as a small blower motor, fluorescent lamp, etc.

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## CHRISTMAS LIGHT DRIVER



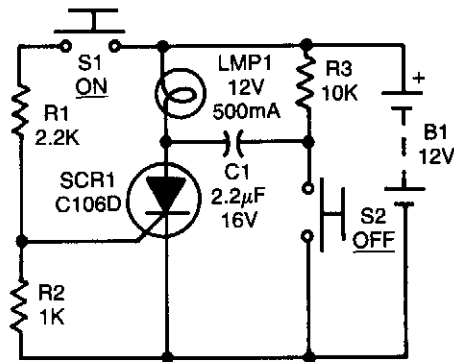
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-13

This circuit will enable a CMOS logic chip, such as a 4017 decode driver, to control a string of Christmas lights or other lighting. The triac should be rated at 200 V and 3 A or higher. The 4017 should be powered from at least 10 V to ensure adequate drive to the optoisolator.

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## SCR CAPACITOR TURN-OFF CIRCUIT



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Fig. 43-14

After the SCR turns on, C1 charges up to almost the full supply voltage via R3 and the anode of the SCR. When S2 is subsequently closed, it clamps the positive end of C1 to ground, and the charge on C1 forces the anode of the SCR to swing negative momentarily, thereby reverse-biasing the SCR and causing it to turn off. The capacitor's charge bleeds away rapidly, but it has to hold the SCR's anode negative for only a few  $\mu$ s to ensure turn-off. C1 must be a nonpolarized type.

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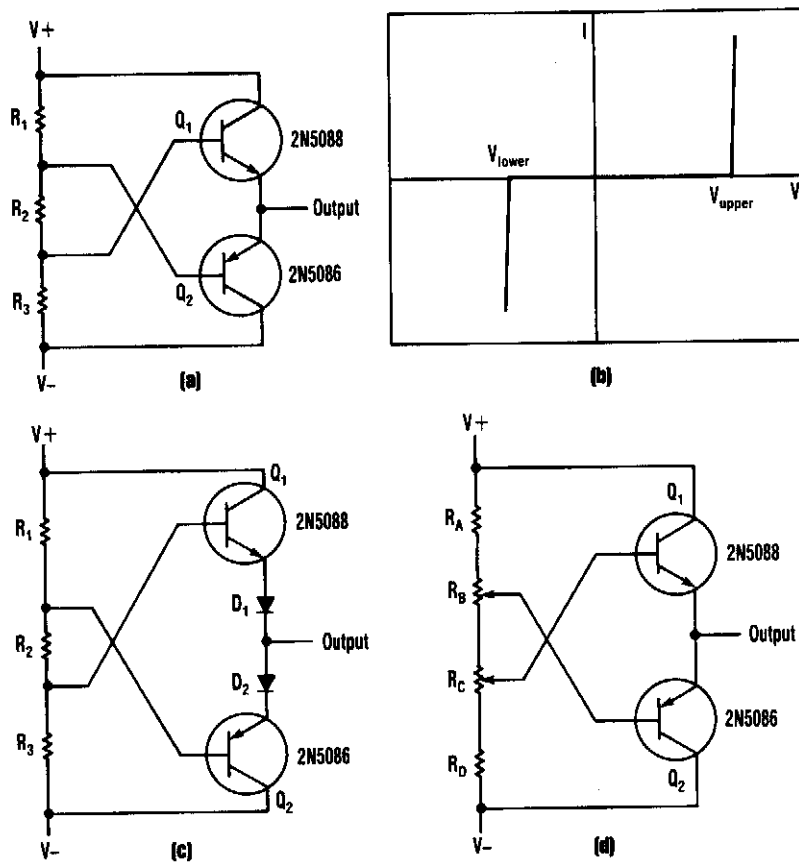
## Limiter

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Adjustable Voltage Limiter  
One-Zener Precise Limiter

## ADJUSTABLE VOLTAGE LIMITER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

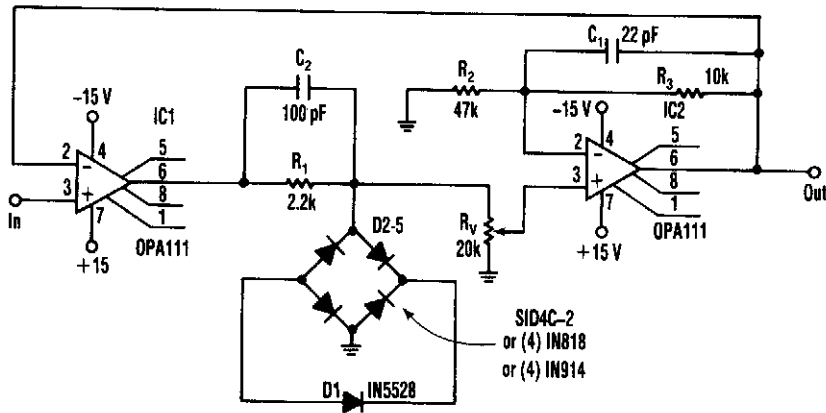
Fig. 44-1

This bipolar voltage clipper can be built with two transistors, two resistors, and two potentiometers. Notice that the maximum p-p range must be  $\leq BV_{ebo}$  of the transistors used. The design equations are:

$$V_{upper} = V_- + \frac{(V_+ - V_-)(R_2 + R_3)}{(R_1 + R_2 + R_3)} + V_{be}(Q_2)$$

$$V_{lower} = V_- + \frac{(V_+ - V_-)(R_3)}{(R_1 + R_2 + R_3)} - V_{be}(Q_1)$$

## ONE-ZENER PRECISE LIMITER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 44-2

A limiter circuit that requires matched zener diodes can instead use one zener with a full-wave diode bridge. The circuit's two limits are nearly equal when determined by the same zener—only two pairs of forward diodes need to be matched. For best results, an integrated quad of diodes can be used. But, after testing the circuit, four single controlled-drop diodes and four ordinary diodes gave about the same accuracy (better than 0.5%).

Because the limiting level can be adjusted, zener tolerance can be adjusted out. Gain stability can be optimized by connecting the inverting input of the first op amp to the output of the second to make the circuit inherently unity-gain.

The zener voltage must be increased to 8.2 V to compensate for the two diode drops. Placing small capacitors across the resistors in the loop stabilized the circuit adequately and response is orders of magnitude faster than conventional circuits. Moreover, it's limited primarily by the op amp's slew rate.



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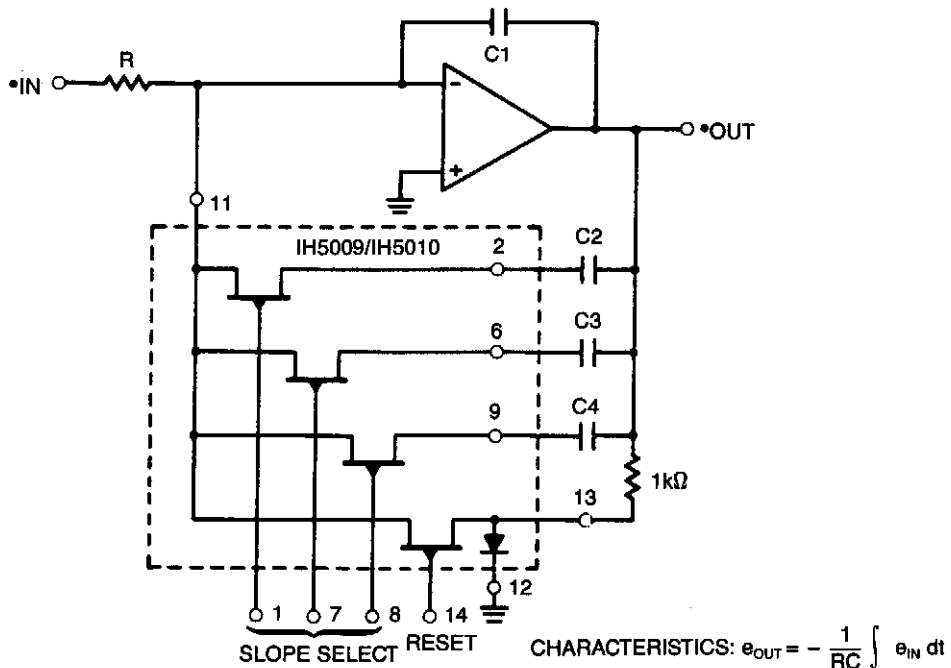
## Mathematical Circuits

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Fast Binary Adding Circuits  
Programmable Slope Integrator  
Multiplying Precise Commutating Amp

## PROGRAMMABLE SLOPE INTEGRATOR

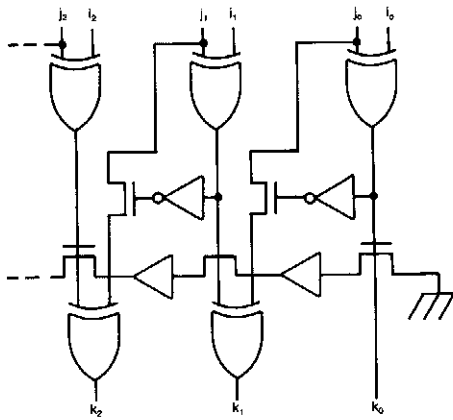


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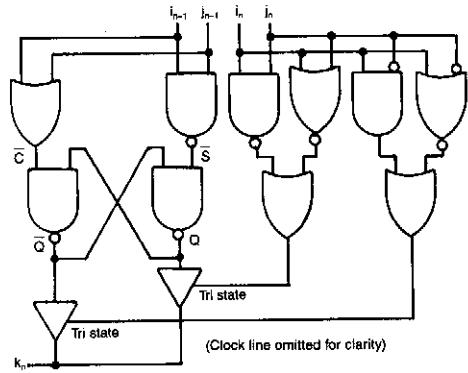
**Fig. 45-1**

By using analog switch IH5009/IH5010 to select various capacitors, a variable slope integrator can be had. If  $C_3 = 2(C_2)$  and  $C_4 = 4(C_2)$ , seven different slopes can be obtained if binary information is fed to pins 1, 7, and 8 of the analog switch.

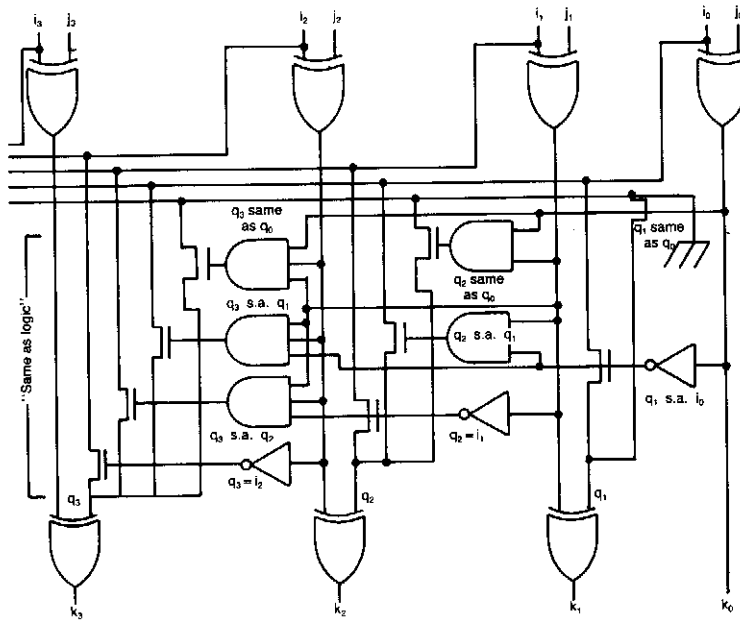
## FAST BINARY ADDING CIRCUITS



**Fig. 45-2(a)**



**Fig. 45-2(b)**



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**Fig. 45-2(c)**

## FAST BINARY ADDING CIRCUITS (Cont.)

Some circuits that add binary numbers have problems with time delay caused by carry propagation. This has been partially solved by the carry look-ahead adder. However, because of the complexity of this scheme, the carry look-ahead logic usually covers no more than 4 bits, and a ripple carry is implemented between the carry look-ahead blocks.

The Daniels Adder avoids these problems by presenting a scheme where carry bits are not used at all in the process of binary addition. It is based on recognition patterns, which exist with the binary addition truth table.

The addition is described by the following two sets of equations:

$$\text{if } i_{n-1} = j_{n-1} \quad q_n = i_{n-1}$$

$$\text{if } i_{n-1} \neq j_{n-1} \quad q_n = q_{n-1}$$

$$\text{if } i_n = j_n \quad k_n = q_n$$

$$\text{if } i_n \neq j_n \quad k_n = q_n$$

with the boundary condition that  $q_{-1} = 0$ , where  $i_n$ ,  $j_n$ , and  $k_n$  are the bit of binary weight  $2^n$  ( $n^{\text{th}}$  bit) of the addend, summand, and sum respectively,  $q_n$  is an intermediate variable and  $q_n$  is the inverse of  $q_n$ .

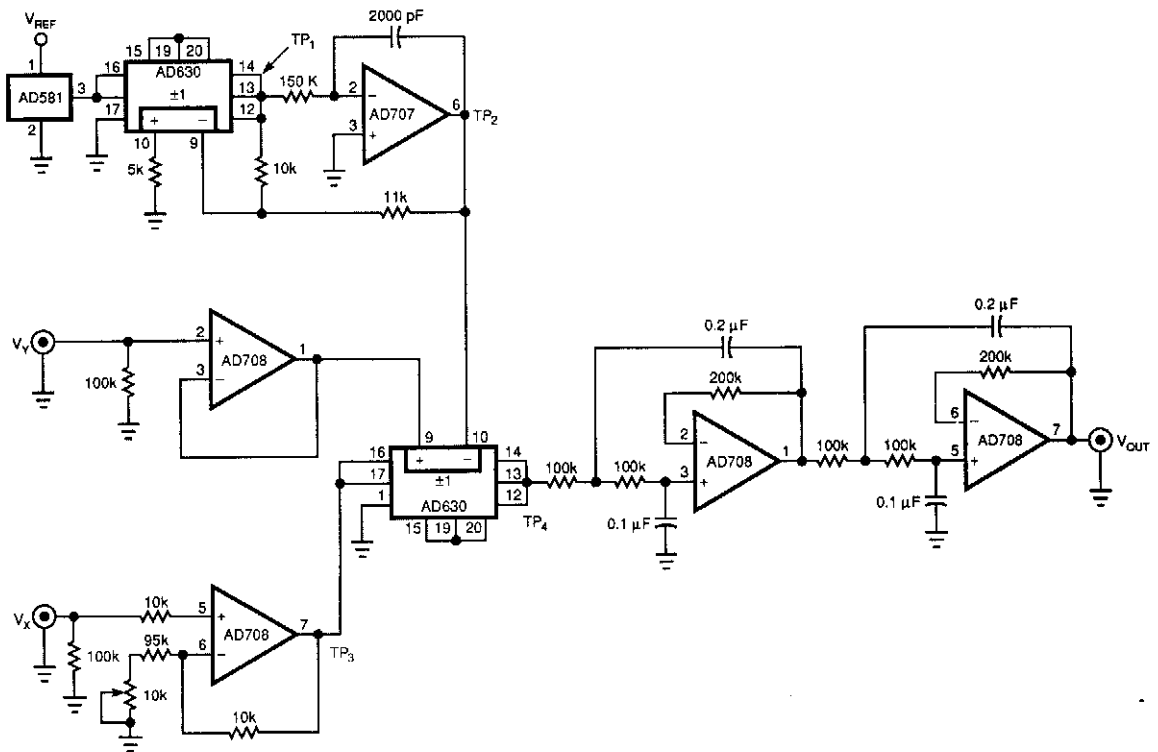
The value of the sum is (depending upon  $i_n$  and  $j_n$ ) either the same as or the inverse of (depending upon  $i_{n-1}$  and  $j_{n-1}$ ) a0, a1, or the inverse of the  $(n-1)^{\text{th}}$  bit of the sum. Figure 45-1(a) shows the logic diagram of the ripple through implementation of the adder.

Because each stage calculates whether its value of the intermediate variable  $q_n$  is the same as the previous stage's value ( $q_{n-1}$ ) in parallel, it is possible to devise simple "same as" logic that does not have the complexity drawback of carry look-ahead logic and can be carried over any number of bits (Fig. 45-1(b)). A 32-bit adder built in this way will result in 11-gate delays (no gate having more than 4 inputs).

Especially compact and efficient is the pipelined implementation (Fig. 45-1(c)), which can produce the sum at a rate of 3-gate delays/bit.

The high-speed adder circuits can be used on gate arrays or full-custom ICs to implement fast calculation of addresses or data values. Because of their compact nature, they also use less space on the silicon than conventional adders do.

## MULTIPLYING PRECISE COMMUTATING AMP



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Fig. 45-3

By using a pulse-width-height modulation technique, this circuit implements a 0.015%-accurate multiplier. The circuit's output equals  $V_X V_Y / 10$ . An AD581 voltage reference, an AD630 commutating amplifier, and an integrator comprising an AD707 op amp, 2000-pF capacitor, and 150-k $\Omega$  resistor first generate a precision triangle wave. For a given state of the AD630's output ( $+V_{REF}$  at TP<sub>1</sub>, for example) the integrator ramps until its output reaches  $-11$  V. Then, TP<sub>1</sub> changes state and the integrator begins ramping toward  $+11$  V. The triangle wave's period is  $4.4RC$  or 1.32 ms, where  $R$  and  $C$  are the values of the integrator components.

## MULTIPLYING PRECISE COMMUTATING AMP (Cont.)

The circuit uses a second AD630, driven by the variable  $V_X$  to compare the triangle waveform at TP<sub>2</sub> to the signal at  $V_Y$ . The duty cycle,  $T_1 + T_2$ , at the output of this second commutating amplifier is:

$$T_1 = \frac{2RC(11 - V_Y)}{10}$$

and

$$T_2 = \frac{2RC(11 + V_Y)}{10}$$

During  $T_1$ , the voltage at TP<sub>4</sub> equals  $-1.1V_X$ . During the remaining period,  $T_2$ , the pulse height will equal  $+1.1V_X$ .  $V_{OUT}$  is the average, obtained by low-pass filtering, of this  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  combined waveform and equals:

$$V_o = \frac{-1.1V_X T_1 + 1.1V_X T_2}{T_1 + T_2} = \frac{V_X V_Y}{10}$$

You can use a higher bandwidth filter and a higher carrier frequency to build a faster multiplier.

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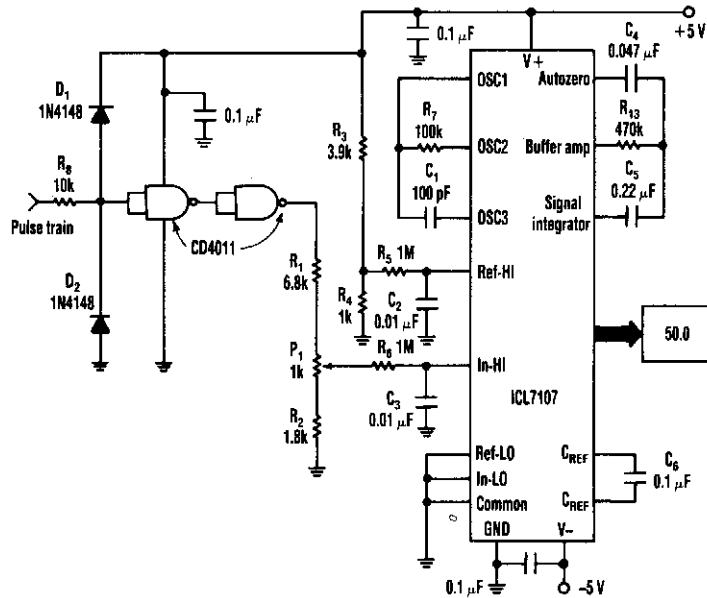
## Measuring and Test Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 669. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Duty-Cycle Measurer             | Microfarad Counter                       |
| Simple Capacitor Tester         | Simple Duty-Cycle Meter                  |
| Magnetic Field Meter            | Static Detector                          |
| Four-Trace Oscilloscope Adapter | Electrolytic Capacitor Reforming Circuit |
| Digital Tachometer Circuitry    | Digital VOM Phase Meter                  |
| Sensitive SWR Meter             | Simple Electrometer                      |
| Meter Tester                    | Digital Tachometer Counter               |
| Broadband ac Active Rectifier   | Capacitor ESR Measurer                   |
| Bike Speedometer                | Analog Tachometer Readout                |
| B-Field Measurer                | Diode Matching Circuit                   |
| Low-Cost Barometer              | Permanent Magnet Detector                |
| VOR Signal Simulator            | Transistor Tester                        |
| Simple Diode Curve Tracer       | Bike Speedometer                         |
| Simple Absolute Value Circuit   | Frequency Meter                          |

## DUTY-CYCLE MEASURER

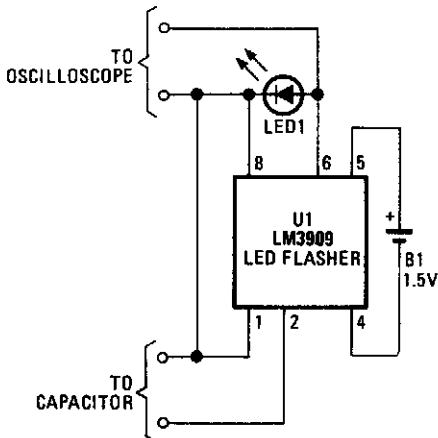


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Fig. 46-1

An Intersil 7101 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-digit A/D converter is used to display the duty cycle of a pulse train as a percentage. The frequency range of this circuit is 100 Hz to 250 kHz. The CMOS gates convert the pulse train to constant amplitude. This amplitude is then compared to a reference of 1 V, derived from R3 and R4. P1 is for calibration.

## SIMPLE CAPACITOR TESTER



An LM3909 LED flasher is used as an oscillator, and the capacitor connected to the terminals determines frequency.

| C          | f approx |
|------------|----------|
| 4 700 μF   | 0.04 Hz  |
| 470 μF     | 0.4 Hz   |
| 4.7 μF     | 4 Hz     |
| 0.047 μF   | 4 kHz    |
| 0.004 7 μF | 25 kHz   |
| 47 μF      | 660 kHz  |

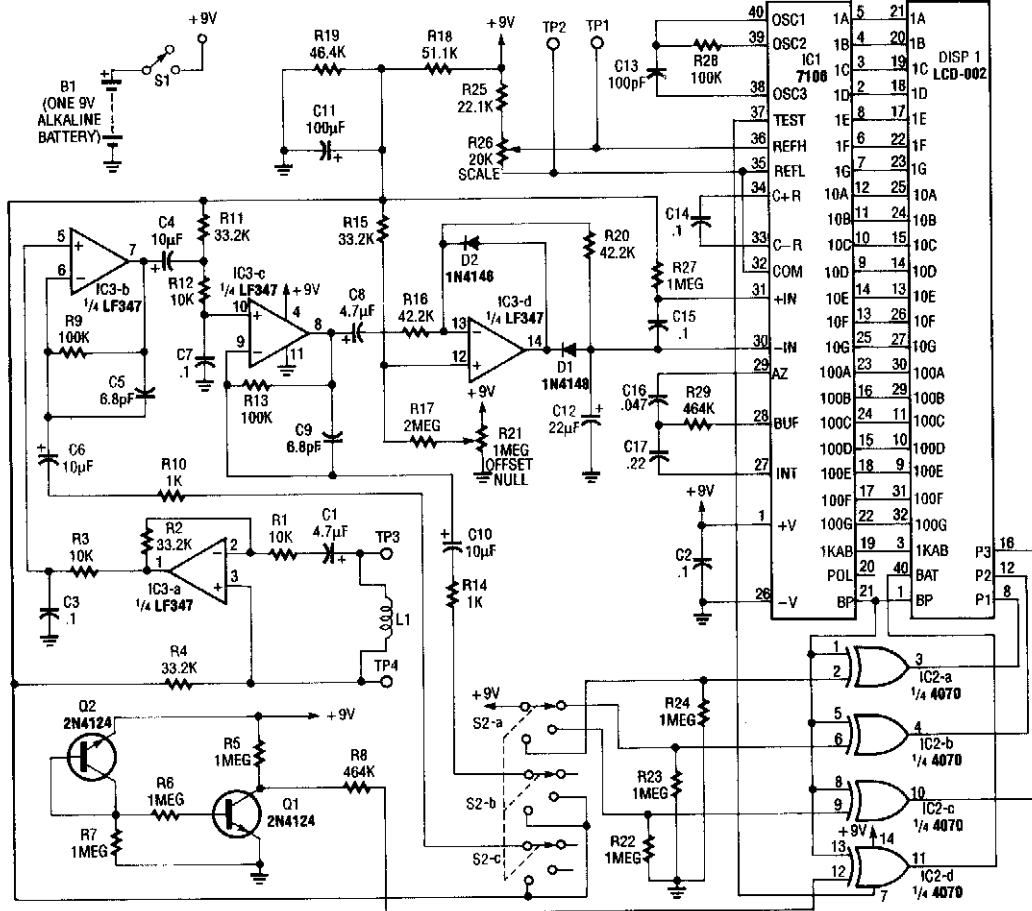
The LED can be used to count frequency visually using a stopwatch for large capacitors ( $C > 500 \mu\text{F}$ ).

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Fig. 46-2



## MAGNETIC FIELD METER

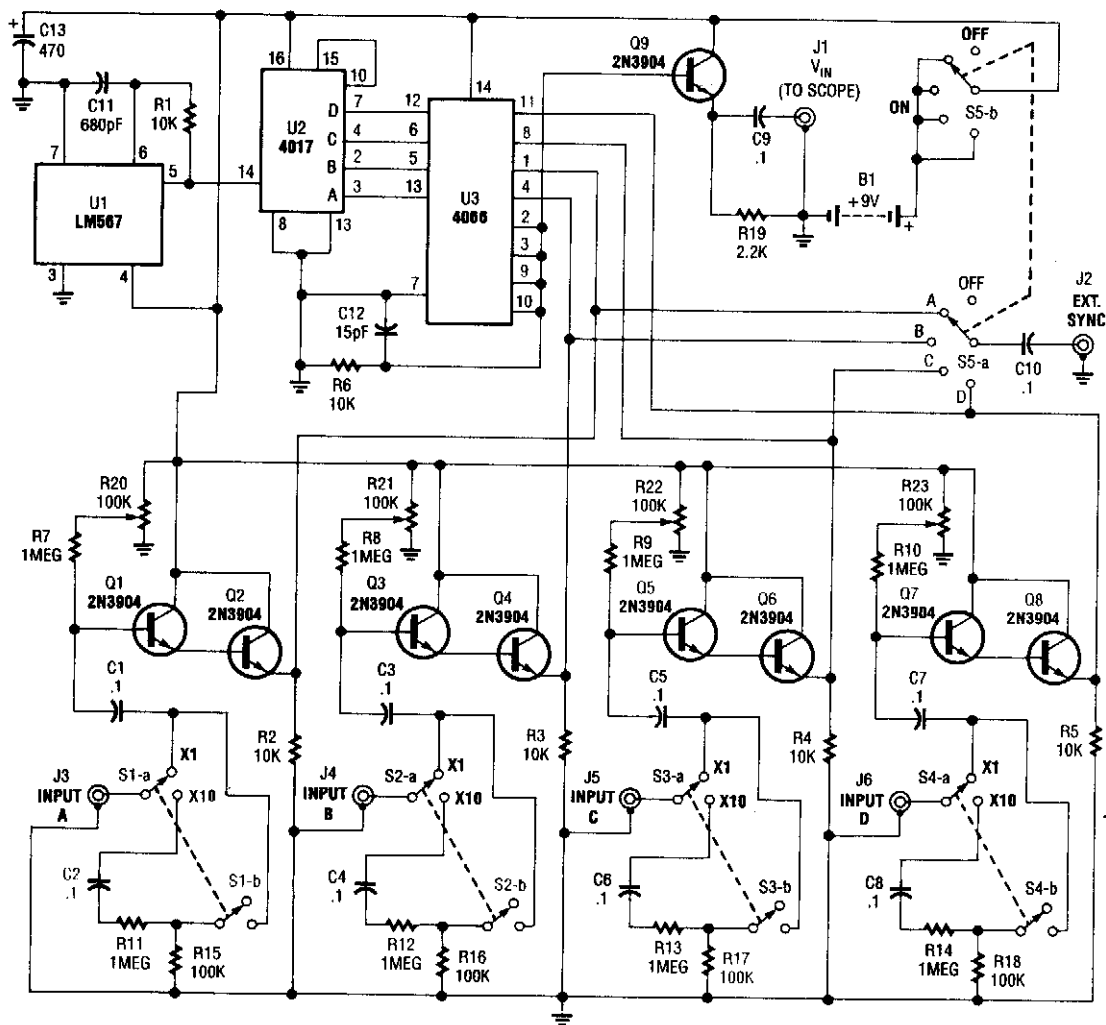


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Fig. 46-3

Using a pickup coil to drive an amplifier (IC3A-B-C-D), this meter circuit can be directly calibrated in field-intensity units. R3/C3 and R12/C7 establish a frequency roll off that compensates for the pickup-coil sensitivity, and set a 20-kHz cut-off point. S2 is the range-select switch. L1 is an 18-turn 3" diameter coil. The frequency range is 50 Hz to 20 kHz and the range of measurement is 0.1 to 20 000 microTesiers ( $\mu\text{T}$ ).

## FOUR-TRACE OSCILLOSCOPE ADAPTER

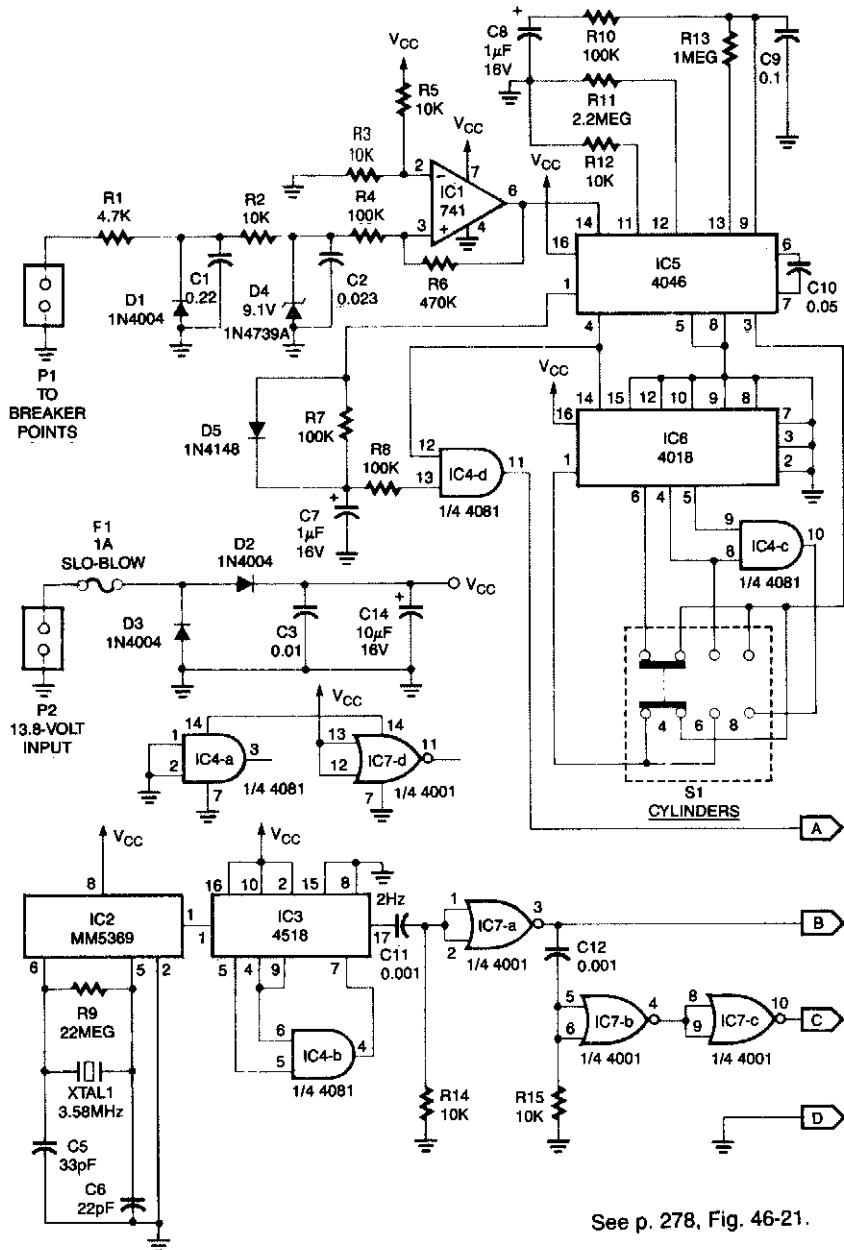


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Fig. 46-4

This simple adapter uses an oscillator (567) to drive a counter (U2) and switch (U3) that selects the output of one of four scope preamps (Q1/Q2 through Q7/Q8) and feeds it to buffer Q9 and output jack J1. J2 provides sync to the scope. R20 through R23 are posting controls for channels A through D (J3 through J6). S1A-B through S4A-B are switched attenuators, one for each channel. Switching rate is about 125 kHz. This circuit is useful for adding four-trace operation to inexpensive oscilloscopes. Signal levels of 0 to 20 V can be handled.

# DIGITAL TACHOMETER CIRCUITRY



See p. 278, Fig. 46-21.

## DIGITAL TACHOMETER CIRCUITRY (Cont.)

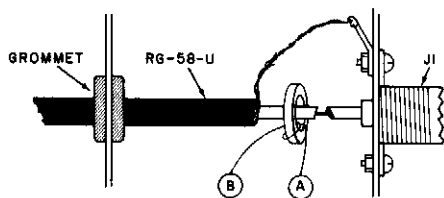
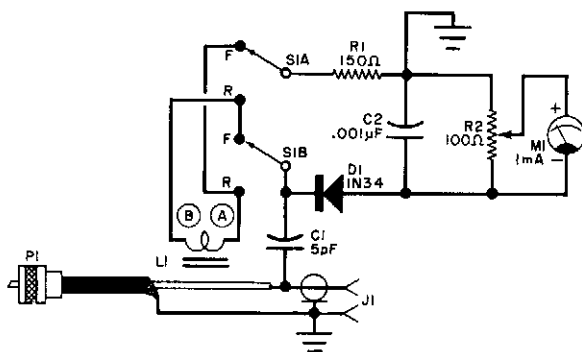
This system can be used with 4-, 6-, or 8-cylinder automobiles. The timebase formed by IC5 is an oscillator that drives counter IC6, which divides by 6, 4, or 3 for 4-, 6-, or 8-cylinder engines, respectively. S1 selects this number. IC5 produces a signal that is phaselocked to this multiple of the ignition system frequency, which in turn depends on engine speed.

$$\text{freq} = \text{rpm} \times \frac{\# \text{ cylinders (4, 6, or 8)}}{120} \text{ Hz}$$

IC1 conditions the ignition input at P1 to feed IC5. The output of IC4D, which is the same frequency as the VCO in IC5, is fed to the frequency display.

IC2 generates a 60-Hz signal using a 3.58-MHz reference. IC3 and IC4B divide this by 30 to produce 2 Hz. IC7B/IC7C and C12/R15 produce a delayed 2-Hz signal. These signals are fed to the counter circuit.

## SENSITIVE SWR METER



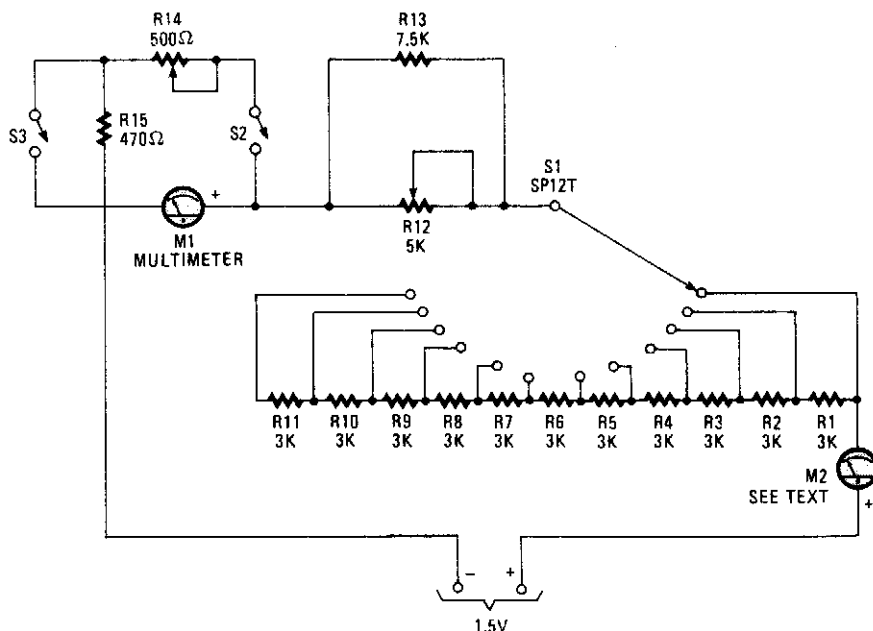
| Reflected Meter Reading<br>(% of full scale) | SWR    |
|--|--------|
| 0  | 1:1    |
| 10   | 1.22:1 |
| 20   | 1.5:1  |
| 30   | 1.85:1 |
| 33.5   | 2:1    |
| 40   | 2.33:1 |
| 50   | 3:1    |
| 60   | 4:1    |
| 66.67  | 5:1    |
| 70   | 5.66:1 |
| 80   | 9:1    |
| 90   | 19:1   |
| 100  | ∞:1    |

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Fig. 46-6

Using a toroidal pickup coil around the center conductor of a coaxial cable, this circuit can be used to measure the SWR of an antenna. L1 is two turns #26 enamelled wire on a Fair-Rite 5963000301 toroidal core.

## METER TESTER



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Fig. 46-7

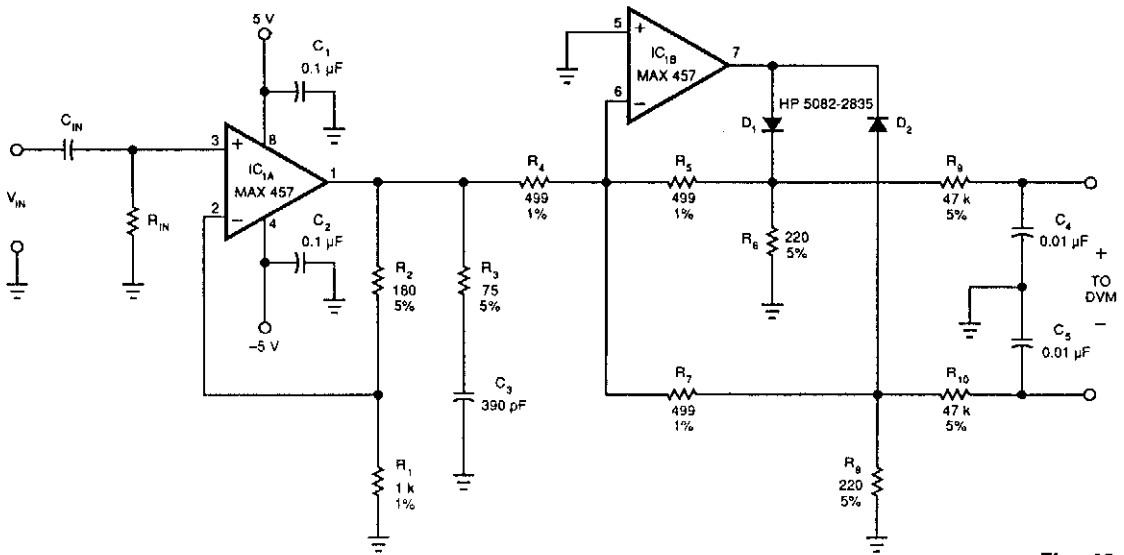
This unit uses switches and resistors to provide a number of current ranges. It allows you to test most of the meters available at surplus outlets, and without damaging the sensitive movements when you have no idea of internal resistance or full-scale current of the unit.

M1 is a multimeter set to measure current, and M2 is the meter-under-test. Starting with S1 set at the maximum resistance and S2 open, decrease the resistance setting of S1, fine tuning with R12, until M2 reads full scale. Then, read M1. It will tell you the full-scale current for the unknown meter. As the meters are connected in series, the same current flows through both.

Now, close S2 and adjust R14 and R15 until M2 reads exactly mid-scale and M1 reads the same current as determined earlier to be the maximum current for M2. Half the current is flowing in M2 and half is going through R14 and R15. The voltage drop is the same across the meter and R14 and R15, because they're in parallel. Thus, the sum of the resistance of R<sub>14</sub> and R<sub>15</sub> is the same as the internal resistance of meter M2.

If the internal resistance of M2 is less than 470 Ω, set R14 at maximum resistance and close S3. Readjust R14. Both R14 and R12 should be linear-taper potentiometers.

## BROADBAND AC ACTIVE RECTIFIER

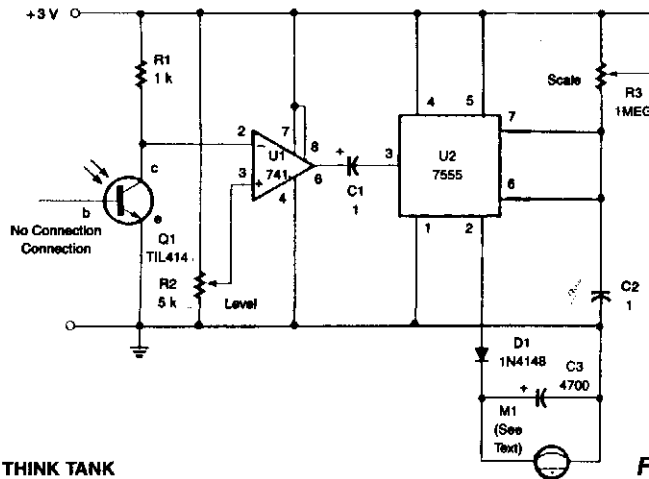


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Fig. 46-8

This circuit converts sine waves of up to 1-V rms into an equivalent dc level. It should prove useful as an ac broadband voltmeter. IC1 is an input amplifier that converts level from rms to an equivalent dc level and feeds IC2. R3 and C3 are stabilizing components. IC2 acts as a full-wave rectifier. R6, R5, and D1 rectify positive levels, R7, R8, and D2 negative-going signals. R9, R10, C4, and C5 are low-pass filters. The output can feed a DVM or another meter.

## BIKE SPEEDOMETER

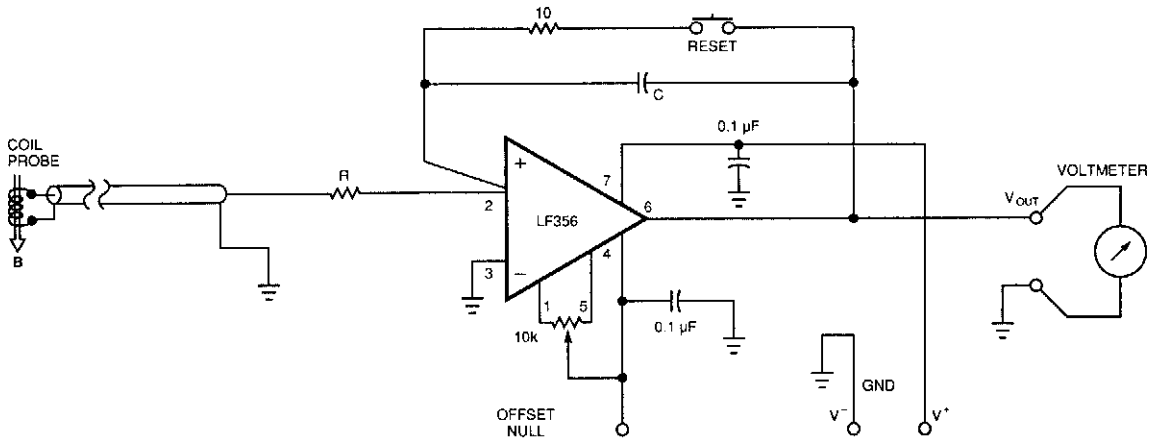


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 46-9

A TIL414 photo transistor senses reflection from a spoke-mounted reflector. This generates a pulse and sends it to U1 and U2, a monostable multivibrator, which drives meter M1.

## B-FIELD MEASURER



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Fig. 46-10

This circuit develops an output voltage that is proportional to the magnetic induction,  $B$ , flowing through its probe's coil. You must size the coil to give a full-scale, 10-V output for your maximum expected magnetic-induction intensity.

For a given value of  $B$  (in tesla) and output voltage,  $V_{OUT}$ :

$$B = \frac{(R \times C \times V_{OUT})}{A}$$

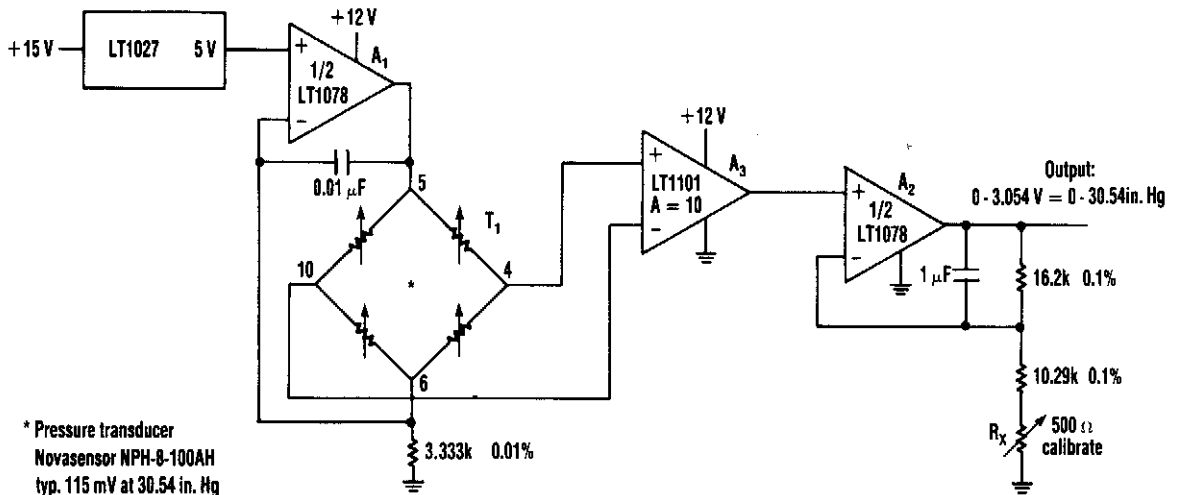
where  $A$  is the effective area of your coil in  $m^2$  ( $A = \text{number of turns} \times \text{average area of each turn}$ ),  $R$  is the resistance of the coil and the probe, and  $C$  is the value of the capacitor. Notice that  $C$  should be a low-leakage polypropylene or Teflon device.

For most practical applications that measure a magnetic field in the air, the coil will be either tiny or very thin. If  $R = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C = 1 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , and the coil is 100 turns with a mean area per turn of  $1 \text{ cm}^2$ , then the circuit's output will be  $1 \text{ mV/gauss}$  ( $1\text{T} = 104\text{G}$ ).

To use the circuit, push the reset button and place the probe in an area that you know is devoid of magnetic fields. Be sure to avoid magnets and iron. Then, put the probe into the field to be measured and read the  $V_{OUT}$  with a voltmeter. Finally, calculate the  $B$  field's intensity using the equation.

When constructing the instrument, guard the op amp's inputs from undesirable currents at the minus input. For full-scale outputs, use a  $\pm 15\text{-V}$  supply for the op amp.

## LOW-COST BAROMETER

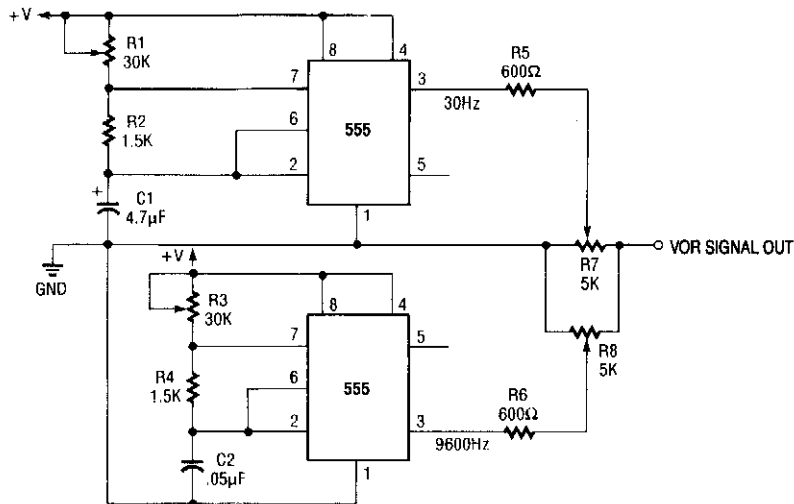


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Fig. 46-11

Using Linear Technology LT1027 reference and LT1078 op amps, transducer T1 is fed with 1.5 mA. The pressure transducer feeds an amplifier with a gain of 10, then it feeds a voltage follower. Output can either drive an analog meter or a DVM circuit.

## VOR SIGNAL SIMULATOR



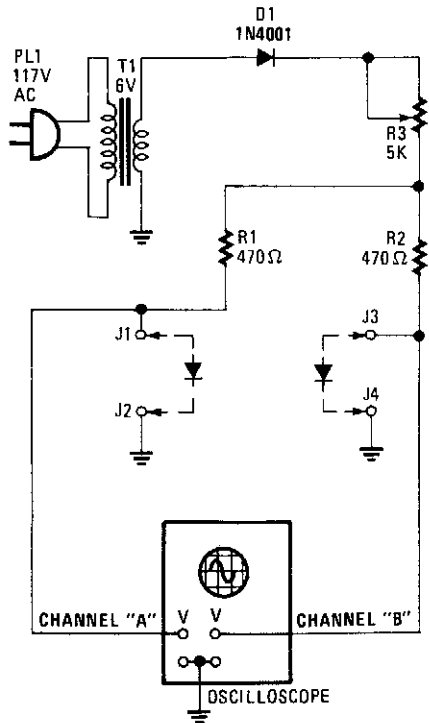
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Fig. 46-12

An output of 9960 and 30 Hz at 0.5 V<sub>rms</sub> is produced by this VOR (VHF Omni Range) signal simulator, which uses a pair of 555 timers. Alternatively, a 556 (two timers in one package) could be used.



## SIMPLE DIODE CURVE TRACER

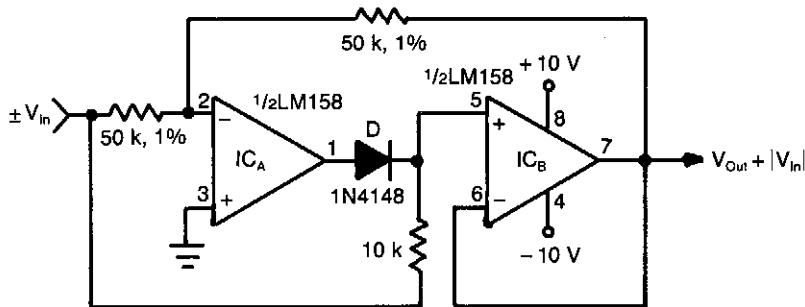


Suitable for matching diodes or examining  $V/I$  characteristics of two terminal devices (diodes, etc.), this circuit should be handy for lab use.  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  can be increased in value and a higher voltage transformer can be used for higher voltage test using this principle.

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Fig. 46-13

## SIMPLE ABSOLUTE VALUE CIRCUIT



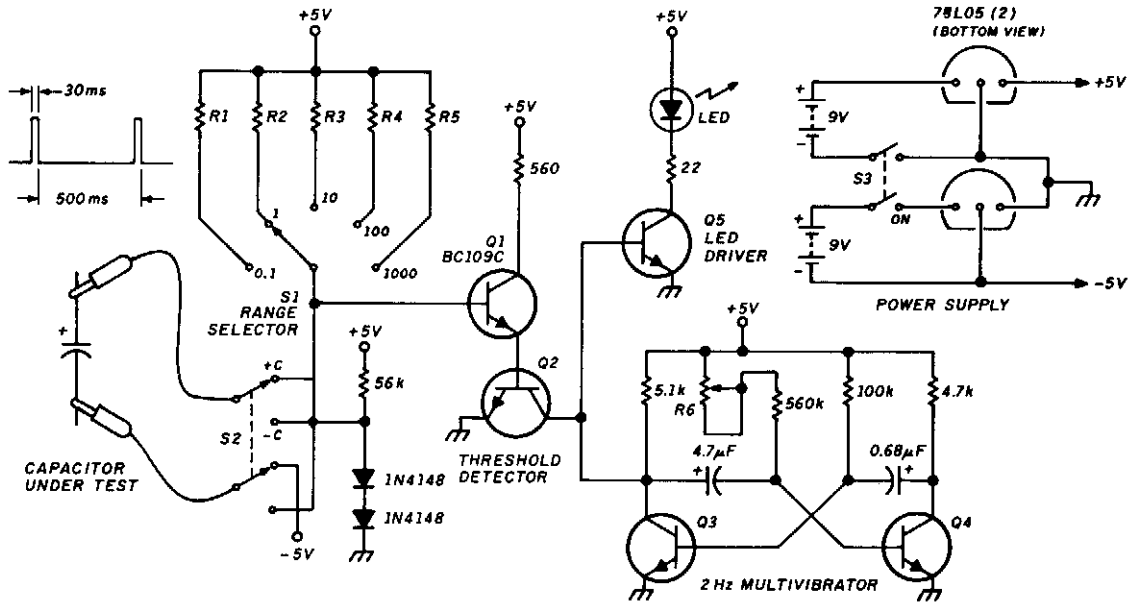
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Fig. 46-14

When an input voltage is positive, the output of IC<sub>A</sub> is negative and diode D does not conduct; hence the output of IC<sub>B</sub> is positive. On the other hand, when the input is negative, the output of IC<sub>A</sub> is positive. D will conduct and cause the absolute value, expressed as a positive voltage, to appear on the noninverting input of IC<sub>B</sub> and on the circuit's output.

The circuit's dynamic range extends from zero to the point at which the op amp saturates. The bandwidth is determined by the characteristics of the diode and the high-frequency performance of the op amp.

## MICROFARAD COUNTER

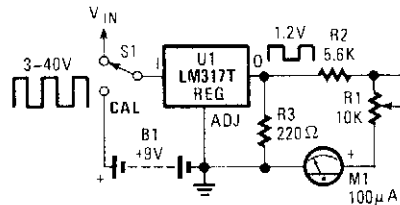


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Fig. 46-15

This circuit measures capacitance by the time it takes an unknown capacitor to reach 6.32 V ( $10\text{ V} \times 63\%$  or  $1\text{ RC}$  time constant) when charged through resistor R. The LED used as a timebase is pulsed by Q3, Q4, and Q5. By counting seconds (two flashes per second) until threshold detector Q1/Q2 stops the count, you can directly read the number of microfarads.  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ , and  $R_5$  can be any convenient values, such as  $1\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $10\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $100\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $1\text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $10\text{ M}\Omega$ .

## SIMPLE DUTY-CYCLE METER

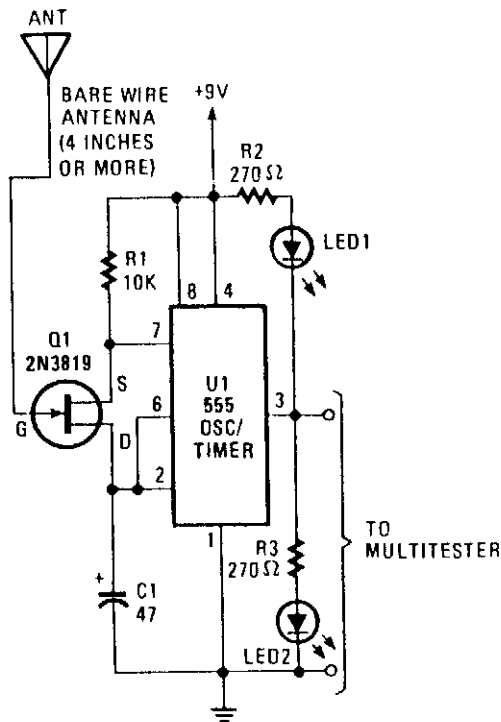


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Fig. 46-16

Using an LM317T as a precision clipper, this displays the duty cycle of a pulse train from 0 to 100% on a standard 100-mA analog panel meter. This circuit will work up to about 50 kHz.

## STATIC DETECTOR

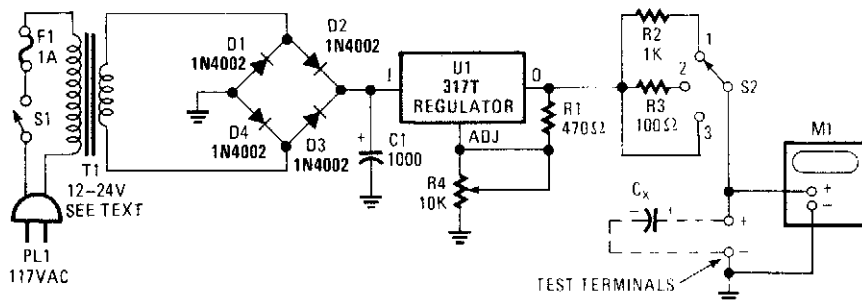


This circuit detects the presence of electrostatic fields by using an FET to alter the flash rate of two LEDs. The FET is installed in the timing circuit and causes a change in the flash rate of the two LEDs.

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Fig. 46-17

## ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITOR REFORMING CIRCUIT

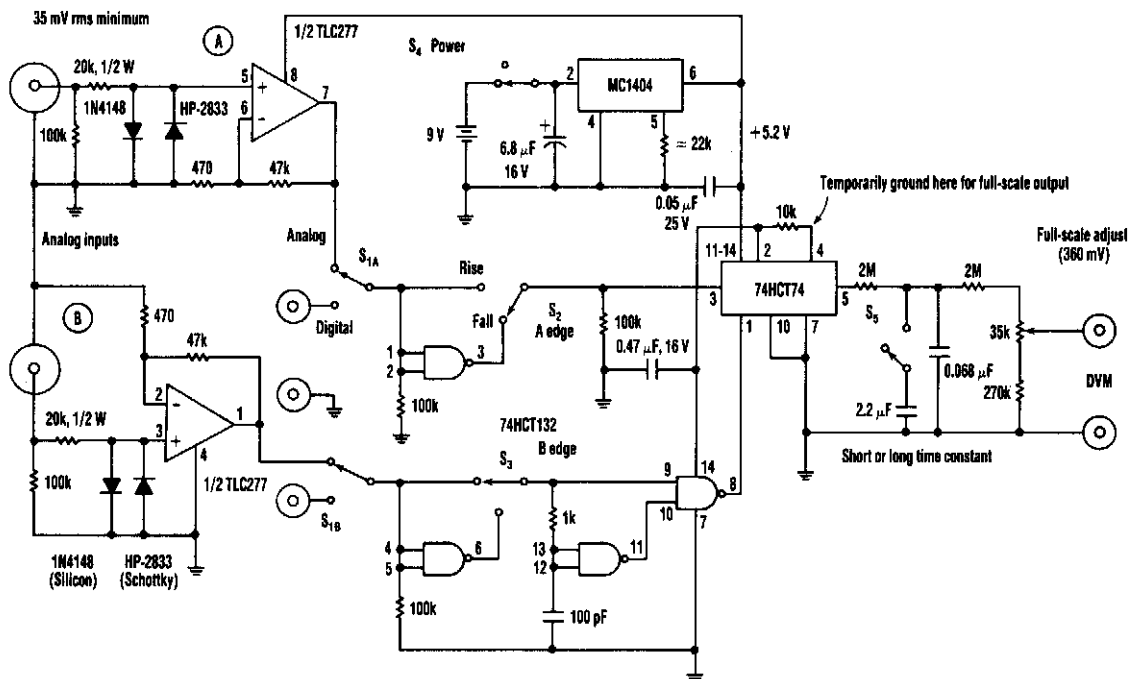


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Fig. 46-18

Sometimes electrolytic capacitors that are stored for some time will exhibit high leakage currents. Before placing these in service, the capacitors might need to be reformed. This power supply can be used for reforming. Adjust R4 for the capacitor's rated voltage and set S2 in position 1. When M1 indicates the rated voltage, reforming is complete. For large capacitors, use position 2, and then position 3 after reforming starts. T1 can be any transformer with a rating of 12 to 24 Vac at about 1 A.

## DIGITAL VOM PHASE METER

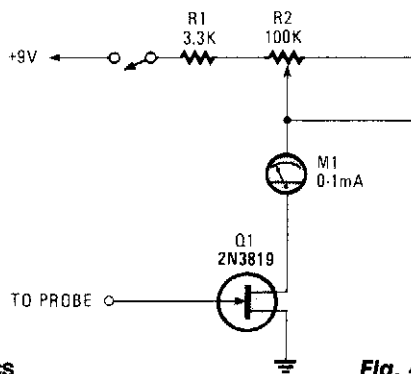


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Fig. 46-19

The phase-angle meter will work with either analog or digital inputs. A DVM is used as a readout device. The output is 1 mV per degree (360 mV or degrees full-scale). The MC1404 precision regulator maintains calibration with a battery source (9 V).

## SIMPLE ELECTROMETER

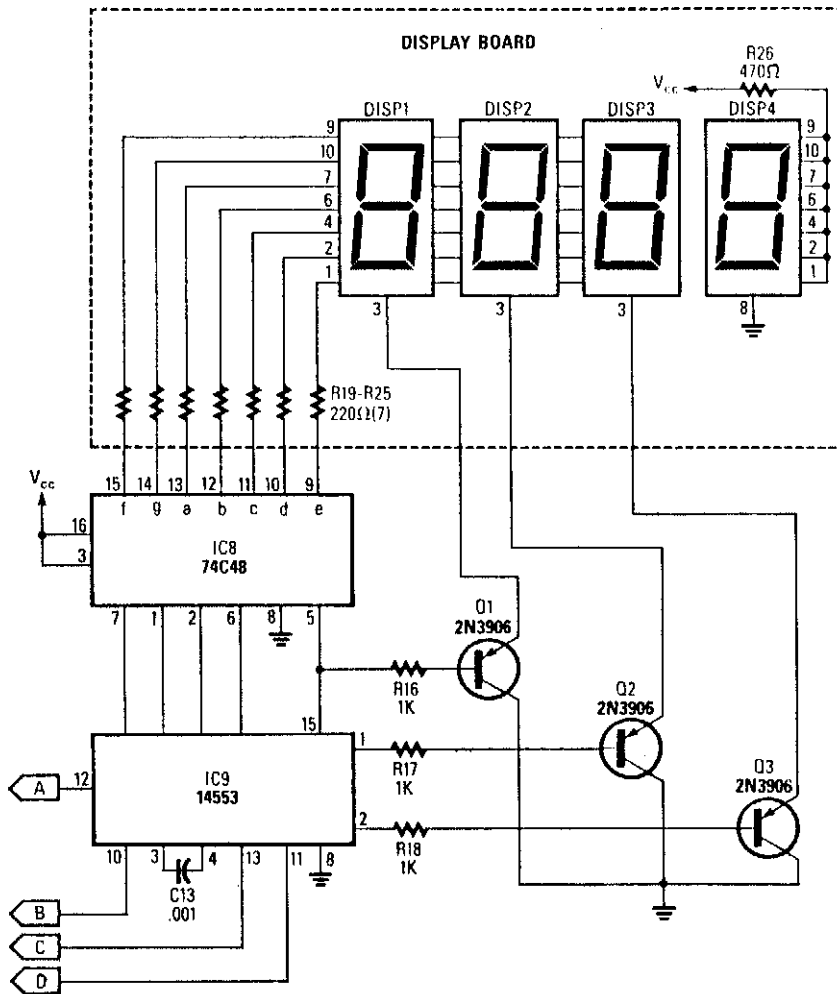


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Fig. 46-20

This electrometer is useful as a relative indicator of static charges or as an electric field in a charge-free environment. An induced negative charge on the probe will reduce drain current toward zero.

## DIGITAL TACHOMETER COUNTER

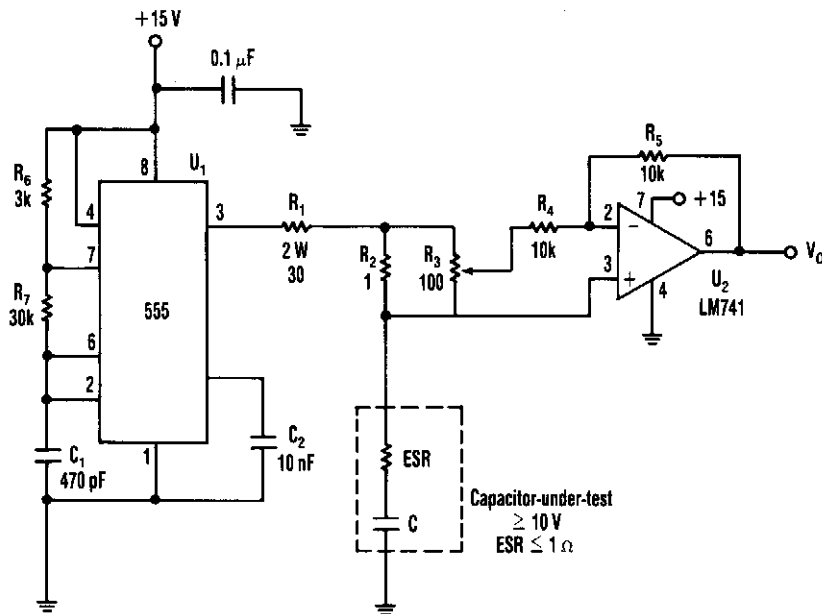


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Fig. 46-21

This circuit produces a readout for the digital tachometer circuit. IC9 is a 3-digit LED display driver, counter, and latch. IC8 drives the common-cathode LEDs, which are enabled by Q1, Q2, and Q3. See page 268, Fig. 46-5 for the matching project.

## CAPACITOR ESR MEASURER



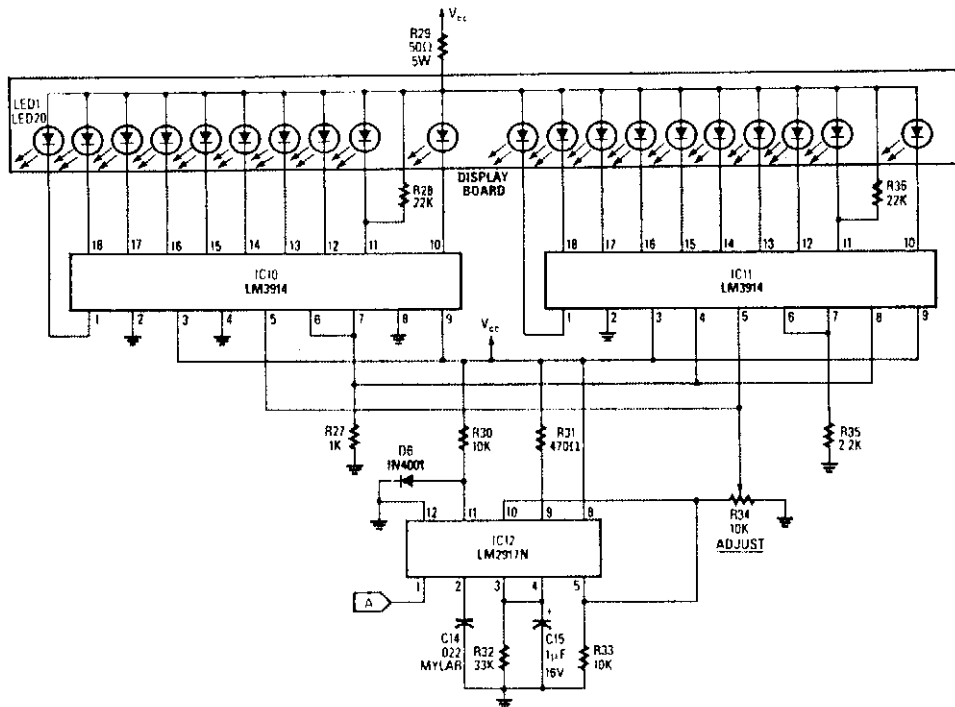
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Fig. 46-22

The equivalent series resistance (ESR) of a capacitor can be measured using this circuit and an ac voltmeter. U1 functions as a 50-kHz square-wave generator. It drives a current waveform of about  $\pm 180$  mA in the capacitor-under-test, through R1 and R2. When R3 is adjusted to the proper value, the voltage drop across the equivalent series resistor is precisely nulled by the inverting amplifier (U2). Thus,  $V_0$  is the pure capacitor voltage which is the minimum voltage that can be produced at  $V_0$ .

To make an ac voltage measurement, adjust R3 until  $V_0$  is minimized. Then, note the position of the potentiometer and multiply it by the value of R2, 1  $\Omega$  in this case. That product equals the capacitor's ESR. The capacitor is biased at about 7.5 V. Lower-voltage capacitors won't work with this circuit. By changing the value of R2, other ranges of ESR can be measured. However, for small R2 values, the current level should be increased to keep a reasonable voltage across R2. This requires some sort of buffer. The circuit is intended for capacitors greater than 100  $\mu$ F. The ripple voltage gets large for smaller values and accuracy decreases.

## ANALOG TACHOMETER READOUT

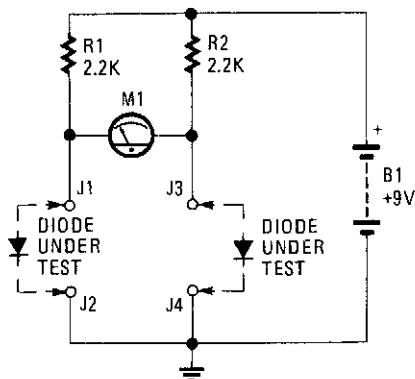


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Fig. 46-23

The analog display consists of a frequency/voltage converter (IC12) and bar-graph segment drivers IC10 and IC11. R34 is the calibration adjustment and is set so that an engine rpm of 5 000 to 7 000 rpm lights the first LED (redline value).

## DIODE MATCHING CIRCUIT

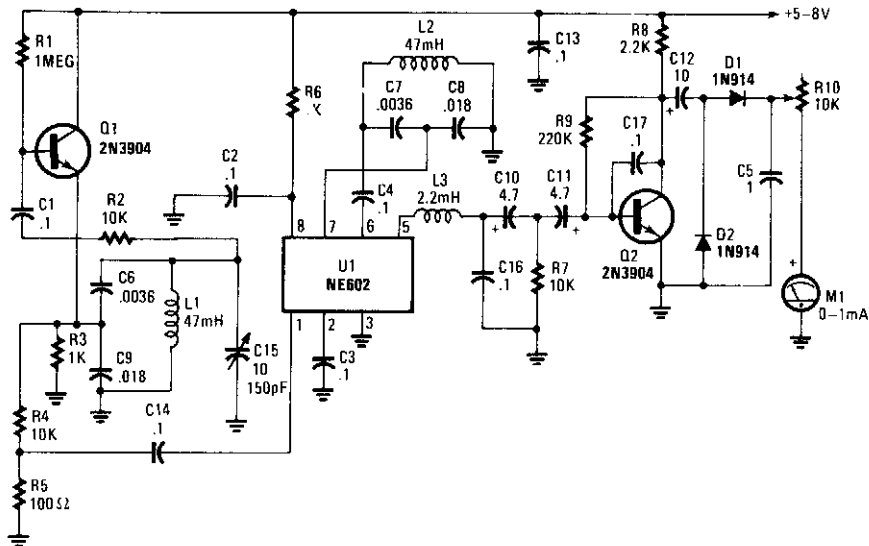


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Fig. 46-24

This circuit can be used to match diodes for use in circuits where such a balance is necessary (a balanced modulator, for instance). The diode matching circuit will indicate the forward-voltage drop of the two diodes in millivolts.

## PERMANENT MAGNET DETECTOR

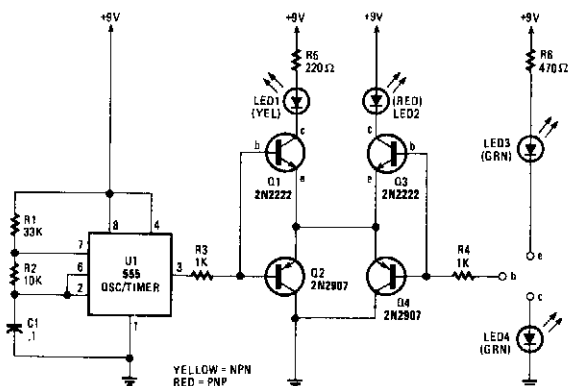


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Fig. 46-25

In this circuit, oscillator Q1 runs at about 15 kHz and feeds mixer U1. U1 has an internal oscillator that runs at around 15 kHz. C15 is used to zero-beat both oscillators. When a magnet is brought near L1 or L2, the magnetic field shifts the permeability of their respective cases. This changes the oscillator frequency, and the audio note is passed through filter L3, C16, and C10/R7 to amplifier Q2. There the audio is amplified and drives meter M1 via rectifiers D1 and D2.

## TRANSISTOR TESTER



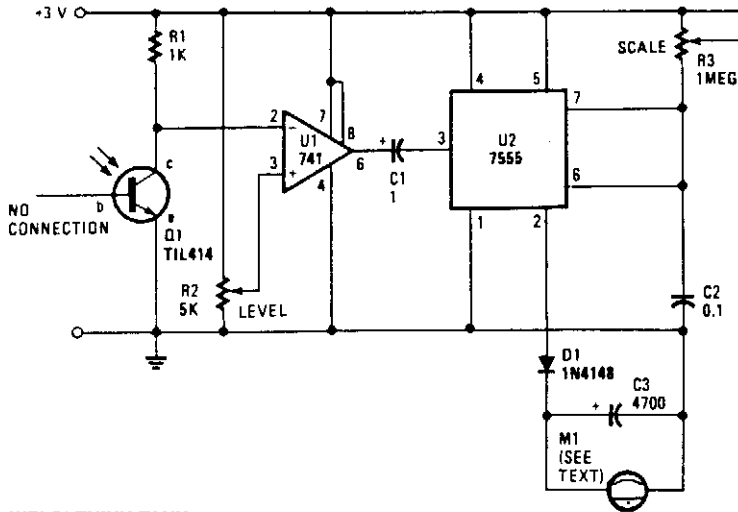
A 555 timer drives Q1 through Q4 with a square wave. LED1 and LED2 light when an npn or pnp transistor respectively, are connected to the test terminals. If LED3 and LED4 light equally as LED1 and LED2, the transistor is functional. If LED3 and LED4 are brighter than LED1 or LED2, the transistor is shorted.

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Fig. 46-26



## BIKE SPEEDOMETER

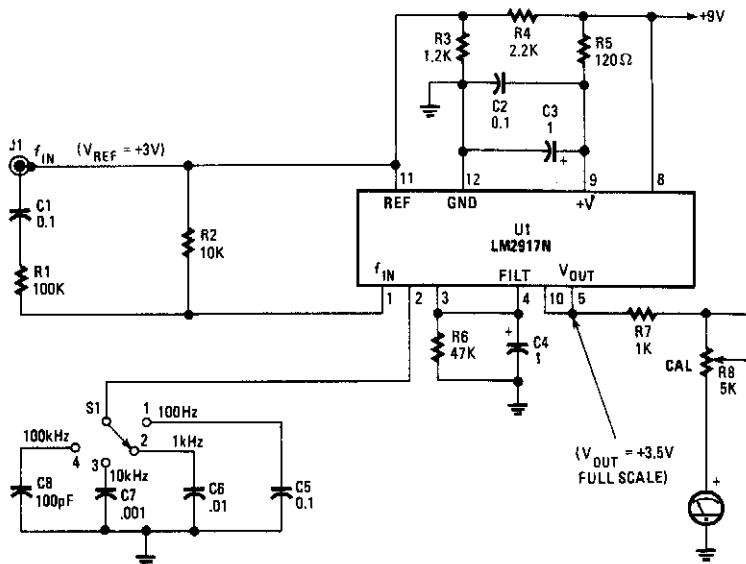


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 46-27

A TIL414 photo transistor senses reflection from a spoke-mounted reflector, generates a pulse, and sends it to U1 and U2, a monostable multivibrator, which drives meter M1.

## FREQUENCY METER



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Fig. 46-28

Using an LM2917N, this F/V converter-based circuit indicates the frequency on a meter. S1 selects full-scale range (up to 100 kHz). R8 is recommended to obtain the battery source.

# 47

## Measuring and Test Circuits (*E, I, and R*)

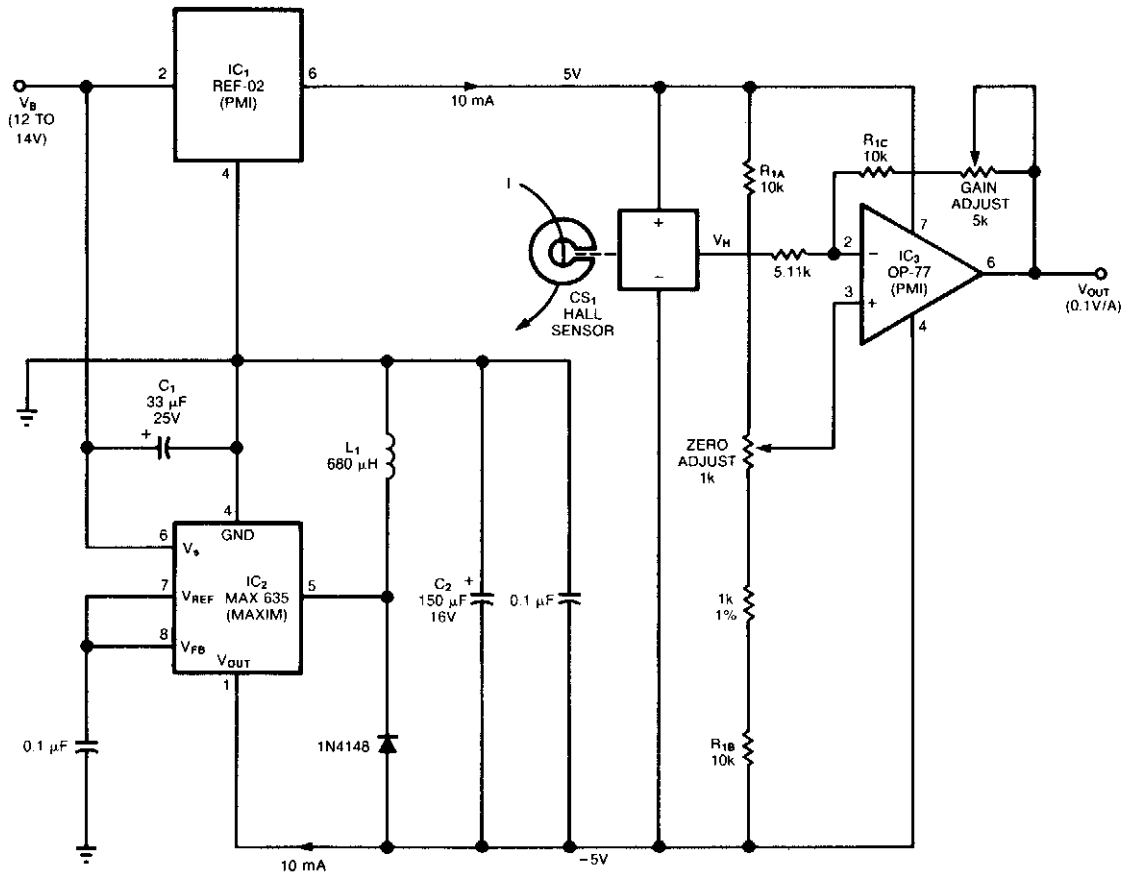
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 669. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Hall-Sensor Current Monitor  
Synchronous System  
Digital LED Voltmeter  
Continuity Checker  
Quick Multiconductor Cable Tester  
Continuity Tester  
4-Range ac Millivoltmeter  
Low-Ohms Adapter  
ac Current Indicator  
5-Range Linear-Scale Ohmmeter

High-Resistance-Measuring DMM  
High-Gain Current Sensor  
Sensitive Continuity Checker  
4-Range dc Microammeter  
Multimeter Shunt  
Continuity Tester  
LED Millivoltmeter  
Latching Continuity Tester  
dc Millivoltmeter  
Continuity Tester

## HALL-SENSOR CURRENT MONITOR



**NOTES:**

1. C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> ARE 199D TANTALEX CAPACITORS FROM SPRAGUE.
2. L<sub>1</sub> IS A 6860-23 INDUCTOR FROM CADDELL BURNS.
3. R<sub>1A</sub>, R<sub>1B</sub>, AND R<sub>1C</sub> ARE PART OF A THIN-FILM RESISTOR NETWORK SUCH AS THE CADDOCK T914-10K.
4. CS<sub>1</sub> IS A HALL-EFFECT CURRENT SENSOR (CSLA1CD) FROM MICROSWITCH.

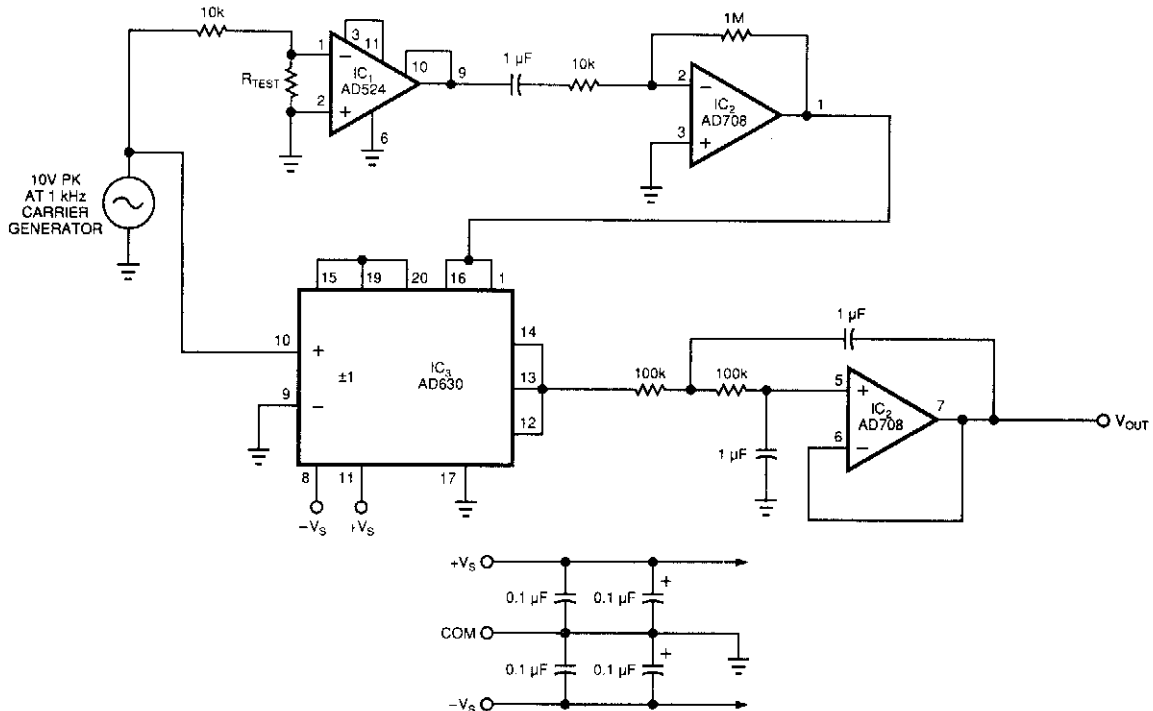
EDN

**Fig. 47-1**

The circuit uses a Hall-effect sensor, which consists of an IC that resides in a small gap in a flux-collector toroid, to measure dc current from 1 to 40 A. Wrap the current-carrying wire through the toroid; the Hall voltage  $V_H$  is then linearly proportional to the current ( $I$ ). The current drain from  $V_B$  is less than 30 mA.

To monitor an automobile alternator's output current, for example, connect the car's battery between the circuit's  $V_B$  terminal and ground, and wrap one turn of wire through the toroid (or, you could wrap 10 turns—if they'd fit—to measure 1 A full-scale). When  $I=0$  V, the current sensor's (CS1's)  $V_H$  output equals one-half of its 10-V bias voltage,  $V_H$  and  $V_{OUT}$  are zero when  $I$  is zero; you can then adjust the output gain and offset to scale  $V_{OUT}$  at 1 V per 10 A.

## SYNCHRONOUS SYSTEM



**Fig. 47-2**

The circuit uses a synchronous-detection scheme to measure low-level resistances. Other low-resistance-measuring circuits sometimes inject unacceptable large currents into the system-under-test. This circuit synchronously demodulates the voltage drop across the system-under-test and can hence use extremely low currents while measuring resistance.

The 10-V (pk), 1-kHz carrier generator injects a 1-mA reference current into unknown resistor,  $R_{TEST}$ . Instrument amplifier IC1 and precision op amp IC2A amplify the voltage across  $R_{TEST}$  by a gain of 100 000. Synchronous detector IC3 demodulates this voltage, then op amp IC2B acts a low-pass filter on the demodulated voltage. The low-pass filtering will attenuate all uncorrelated disturbances (such as noise, drift, or offsets), while passing a dc voltage that is proportional to the unknown resistance.

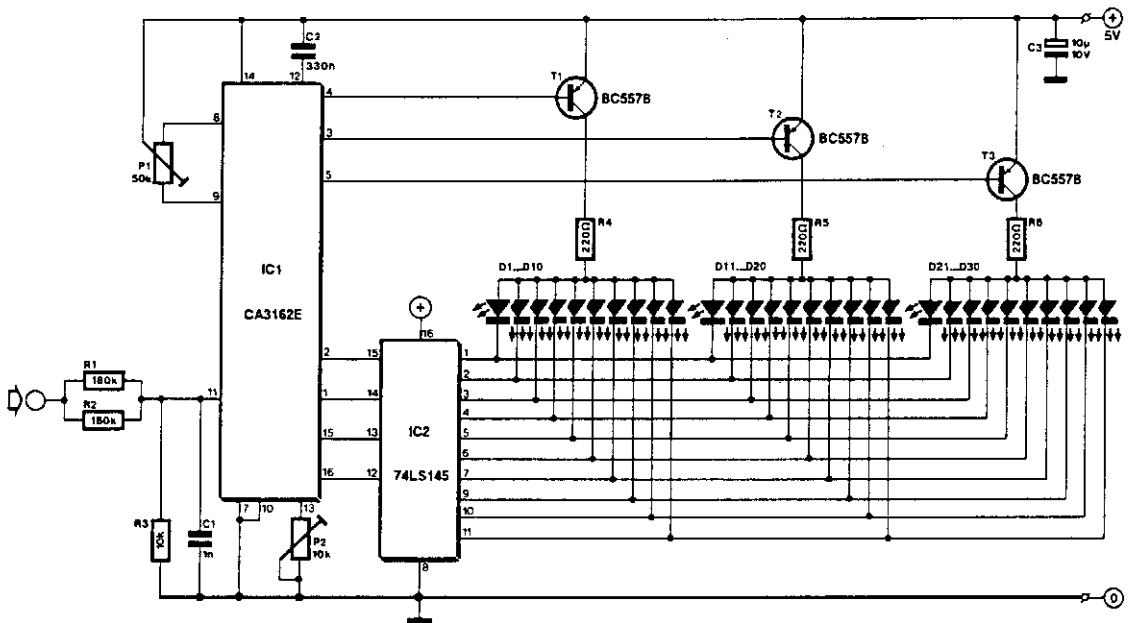
The relationship between the output voltage and the unknown resistance is:

$$V_{OUT} = 10 \times \left( \frac{2 \text{ V}}{\pi} \right) \times R_{TEST} \times \frac{10_5}{10 \text{ k}\Omega}, \text{ or}$$

$$R = 0.0157 \times V_{OUT},$$

which is  $\frac{15.7 \text{ m}\Omega}{\text{V}}$  at the circuit's output.

## DIGITAL LED VOLTMETER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-3

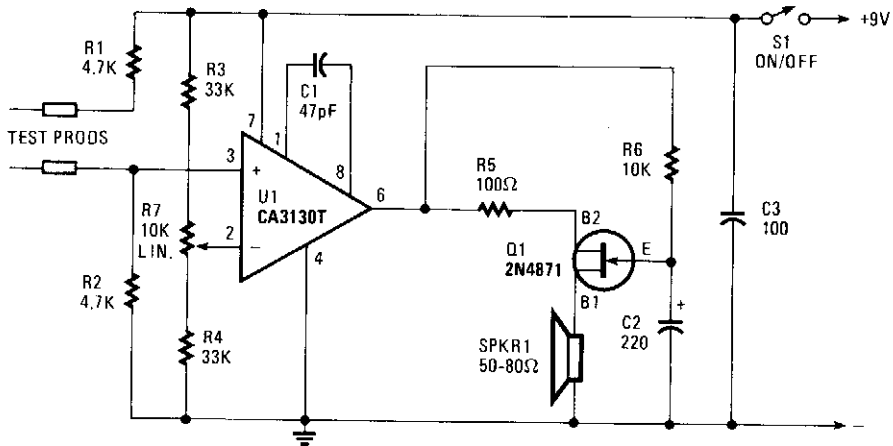
The voltage to be measured is digitized in an analog-to-digital (A/D) converter and then displayed in three decimal digits. The display consists of three groups of 10 LEDs. The meter can only be used for measuring direct voltages.

The A/D converter is based on CA3162, which can process direct voltage up to 999 mV (1-V full-scale deflection—FSD). The FSD is extended to 10 V with the aid of potential divider R1/R2/R3. Other ranges are possible by altering the values of the resistors.

The measured value is read from three bars of LEDs: the first one of these, D1 through D10, shows units; the second, D11 through D20 tens; and the third, D21 through D30, hundreds.

The circuit is nulled with P1 when the input is open. Zero here means that diodes D1, D11, and D21, light. Diodes D10, D20, and D30, represent the figure 9. Next, a known voltage is applied to the input and P2 is adjusted until the LEDs read the correct value. When the input voltage is too high, the display goes out. When the input is negative, the unit LEDs do not light. Notice that variations in the supply voltage affect the measurement adversely.

## CONTINUITY CHECKER

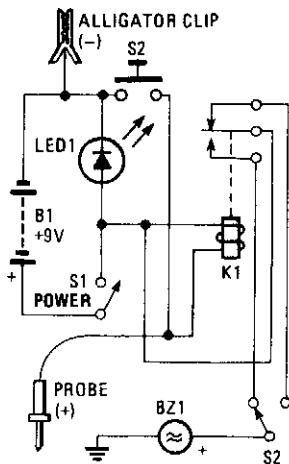


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-4

U1 is an op amp used as a comparator. When the test probes are shorted together, resistors R1 and R2 bias the noninverting input to half the supply voltage. The inverting input is biased by a voltage divider that consists of R3, R7, and R4. Resistor R7 is adjusted so that the voltage to the inverting input is lower than that to the noninverting input when the probes are shorted together. With continuity across the probes, U1's output goes high and supplies power to Q1, which is configured as a relaxation oscillator. The output of Q1 is fed to a high-impedance loudspeaker for an audio tone. When the probe is open, the noninverting input goes to the negative supply rail via R2. This action forces U1's output low, which results in no output from the oscillator.

## CONTINUITY TESTER

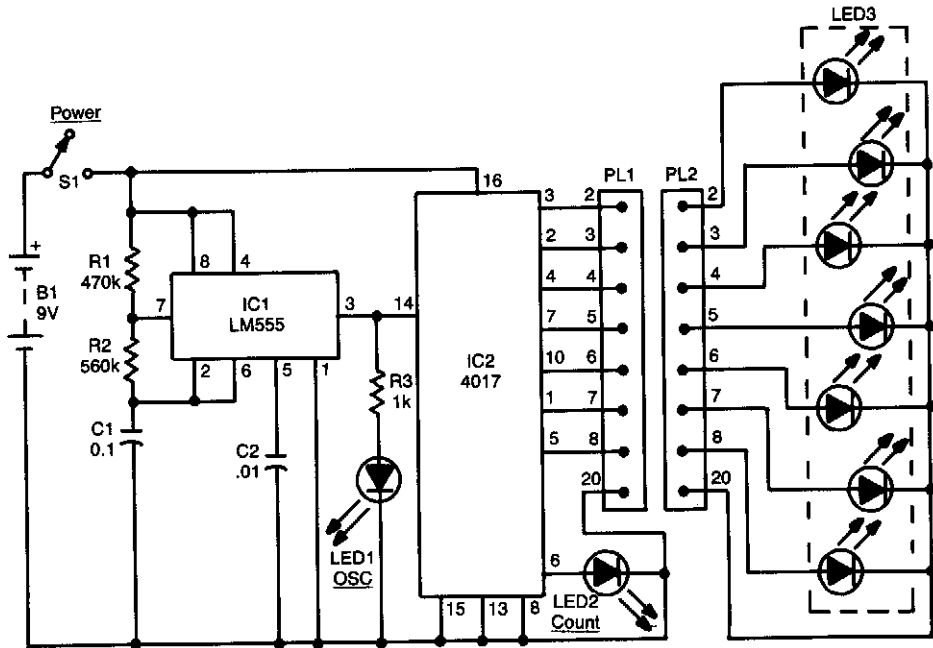


Using an LED and an audible indicator, relay K1 actuates buzzer BZ1. S2 is a buzzer/battery test switch for testing the battery in both NO and NC mode.

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Fig. 47-5

## QUICK MULTICONDUCTOR CABLE TESTER

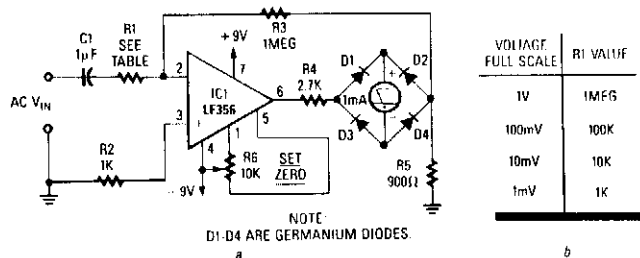


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-6

This circuit can be used to check up to an eight-conductor cable. IC1, a 555 timer, drives decade counter IC2, a 4017. Each LED should light in sequence. The cable to be tested is connected between PL1 and PL2. If the cable is miswired, the LEDs will light out of sequence. If it is shorted or open, some LEDs will not light.

## 4-RANGE ac MILLIVOLTMETER



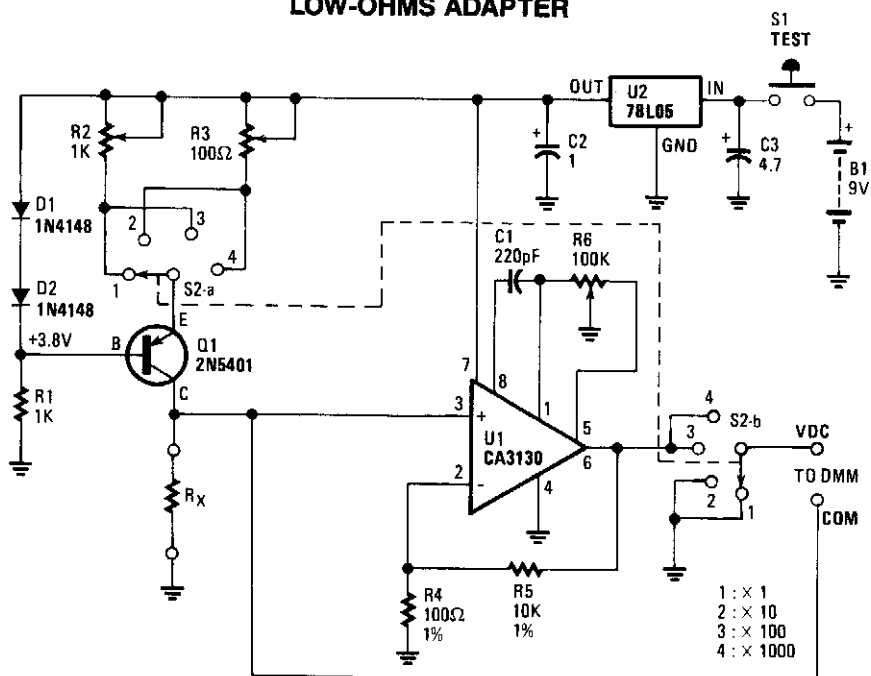
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-7

| VOLTAJE FULL SCALE | R1 VALUE |
|--------------------|----------|
| 1V                 | 1MEG     |
| 100mV              | 100K     |
| 10mV               | 10K      |
| 1mV                | 1K       |

By placing the rectifier in the op amp feedback path, nonlinearity is greatly reduced to insignificant levels. The meter will read the full-wave rectified average (absolute value) of the input signal. Frequency response is a few Hz to about 50 kHz.

## LOW-OHMS ADAPTER



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Fig. 47-8

The circuit consists of a 5-V regulator, constant-current source D1, D2, and Q1, and op amp gain stage U1. Power is provided by a 9-V battery whose output is regulated to +5 Vdc by the 3-terminal regulator. The emitter of Q1 is always 0.6 V below the +5-V line. Resistor R1 sets the current through both diodes D1 and D2 to 5 mA.

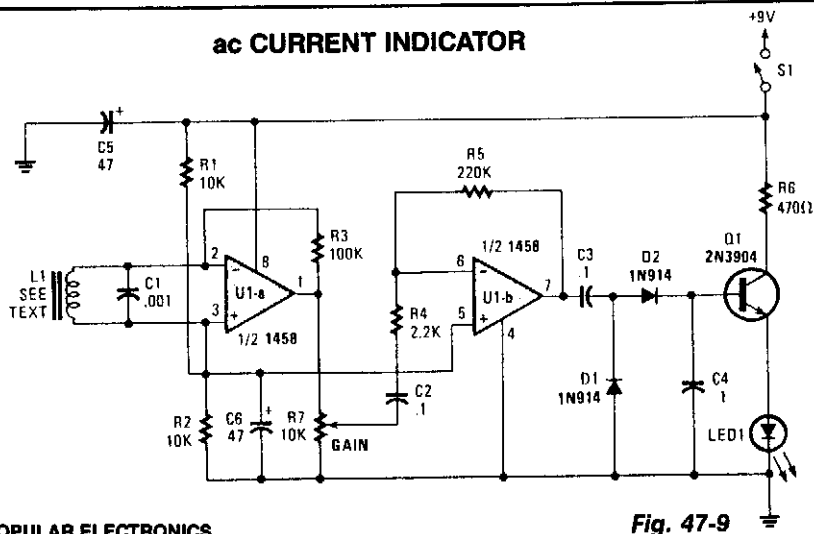
The resulting 0.6 Vdc across one of the multiturn trimmer potentiometers (R2 and R3), as selected by switch section S2A, sets the current through Q1 and the resistor-under-test.

When R2 is selected, the test current is 1 mA; when R3 is selected, the test current is 10 mA. On the lower two ranges,  $\times 1$  and  $\times 10$ , the voltage across resistance-under-test is applied directly to the DMM terminals. On the upper two ranges, op amp gain stage U1 is switched into the circuit and the DMM measures the voltage between op amp output pin 6 and the test resistor.

When switch S2 is in position 3 ( $\times 100$ ) the current set by the constant-current source is 1 mA; the multiplying factor is  $\times 100$ . When S2 is in position 4,  $\times 1\ 000$ , the current is 10 mA and the multiplying factor is  $100 \times 10 = 1\ 000$ . Multiturn trimmer-potentiometer R6 adjusts the offset of the op amp so that, with no voltage across the resistor-under-test (i.e., with the measurement terminals short-circuited), the output is zero.

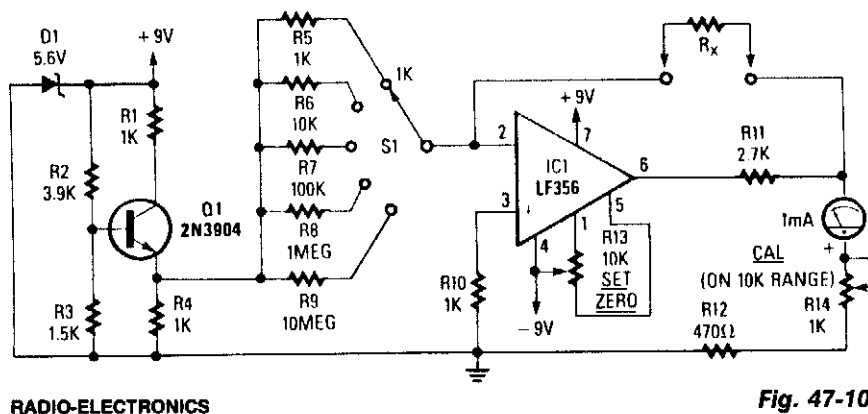


## ac CURRENT INDICATOR



Using a dual op amp driving a rectifier and emitter-follower, this circuit indicates ac current on an LED. L1 is an audio transformer winding using a pick-up coil, or 100 to 200 turns of #28 gauge wire 2" in diameter, etc. The circuit can trace ac lines behind walls, etc. or detect ac current flow.

## 5-RANGE LINEAR-SCALE OHMMETER



$R_x$  is inserted in the feedback path of IC1. A known reference current is selected from reference voltage generator Q1, D1, and R5 through R9. A meter reading will be produced:

$$I = \frac{R_x}{R_5} \times 1 \text{ mA}$$

where  $R_5 = R_5$  through  $R_9$ , as selected. This corresponds linearly to the value of  $R_x$ .

## HIGH-RESISTANCE-MEASURING DMM

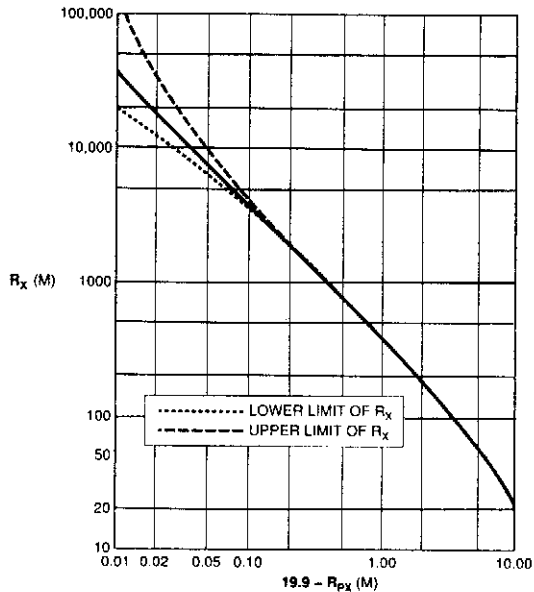


Fig. 47-11

Using a simple technique, you can extend the resistance-measurement range of your  $3^{1/2}$ -digit DMM from the usual 19.99 MΩ to 40 GΩ. You could measure, for example, the leakage resistances of transformers, motor windings, and capacitors.

For a 19.99-MΩ DMM range, select a stable 20-MΩ resistor whose value is slightly below nominal, 19.99 MΩ for example. An unknown high resistance,  $R_X$ , is:

$$R_X = \frac{(R_P \times R_{PX})}{(R_P - R_{PX})}$$

where  $R_P$  is the high-value parallel resistor and  $R_{PX}$  is the measured value of  $R_P$  in parallel with  $R_X$ . An even easier way to determine the value of  $R_X$  is to use the graph.

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## HIGH-GAIN CURRENT SENSOR

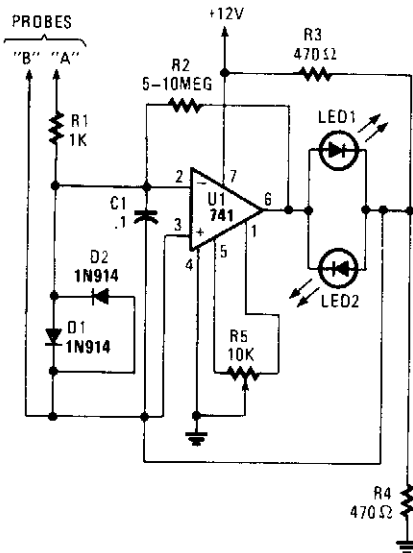
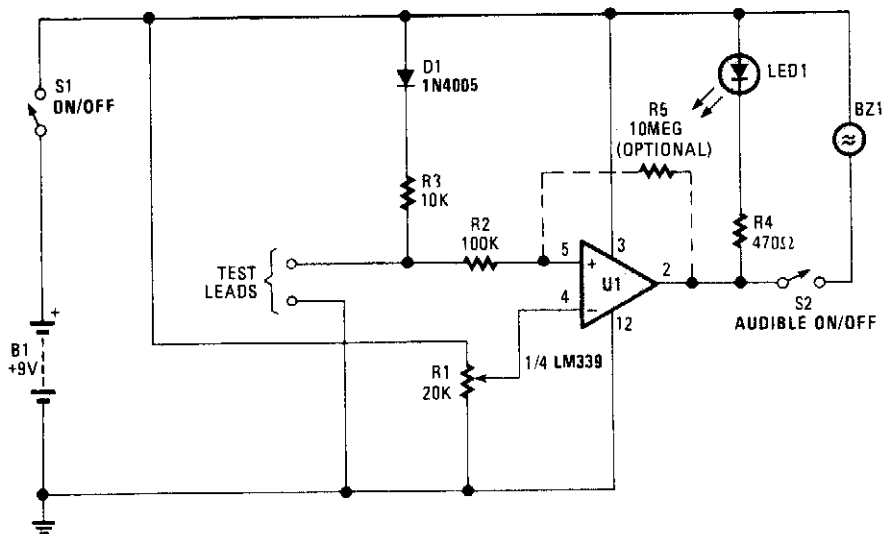


Fig. 47-12

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A high-gain amplifier using a UA741 is used to sense relative voltage drop in a conductor, and therefore current in the conductor.  $R_2$  can be increased to 10 MΩ for increased sensitivity. LED1 and LED2 provide polarity indication. This circuit can be used to detect current flowing in a PC board trace, and also for locating shorts and opens.

## SENSITIVE CONTINUITY CHECKER



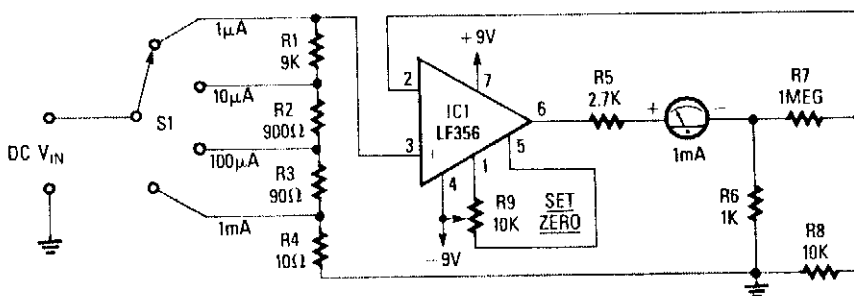
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-13

This continuity checker (built around an LM339 quad comparator with open-collector outputs) eliminates false readings because of coils or low-resistance devices in a circuit.

U1 is a comparator that acts as a sensing amplifier for the bridge circuit (R1 and D1, R3 and the unknown resistance,  $R_x$ , that is connected across the test leads. When  $R_x$  is less than this predetermined value (by the setting of R1), the LED lights and BZ1 sounds.

## 4-RANGE dc MICROAMMETER



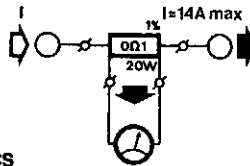
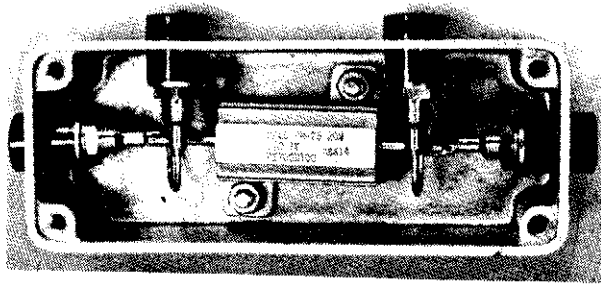
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-14

IC1 produces a full-scale reading on M1 when pin 3 has a 10 mVdc level on it, as determined by R7 and R8. R1 through R4 are shunts that produce a 10-mV drop for the desired full-scale range. R9 zeros the meter.

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## MULTIMETER SHUNT



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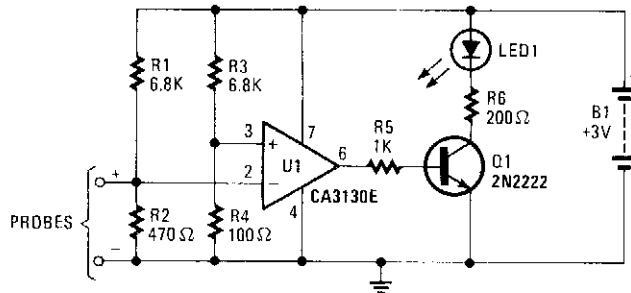
Fig. 47-15

The current range in multimeters, particularly the more inexpensive ones, is restricted by the load limits of the internal shunts to 1 to 2 A. The figure shows how easily a precision heavy-duty resistor from Dale or RCL ( $0.1 \Omega$ ; 20 W; 1%) can be used as an external shunt. These resistors were not designed for this purpose, but they are much cheaper than custom-made shunt resistors. The 20-W rating applies only, by the way, if a heatsink is used: without that its rating is only 8 W.

The maximum current through the device on a heatsink is about 14 A; the larger versions draw up to 17.5 A. When mounting the shunt, make sure that the test terminals (as well as the device terminals) are soldered properly, otherwise the resistance of the terminals is added to the shunt.

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## CONTINUITY TESTER



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Fig. 47-16

Using a comparator, this continuity tester applies only about 300 mV to the circuit to be tested. This avoids false readings in semiconductor circuits.

## LED MILLIVOLTMETER

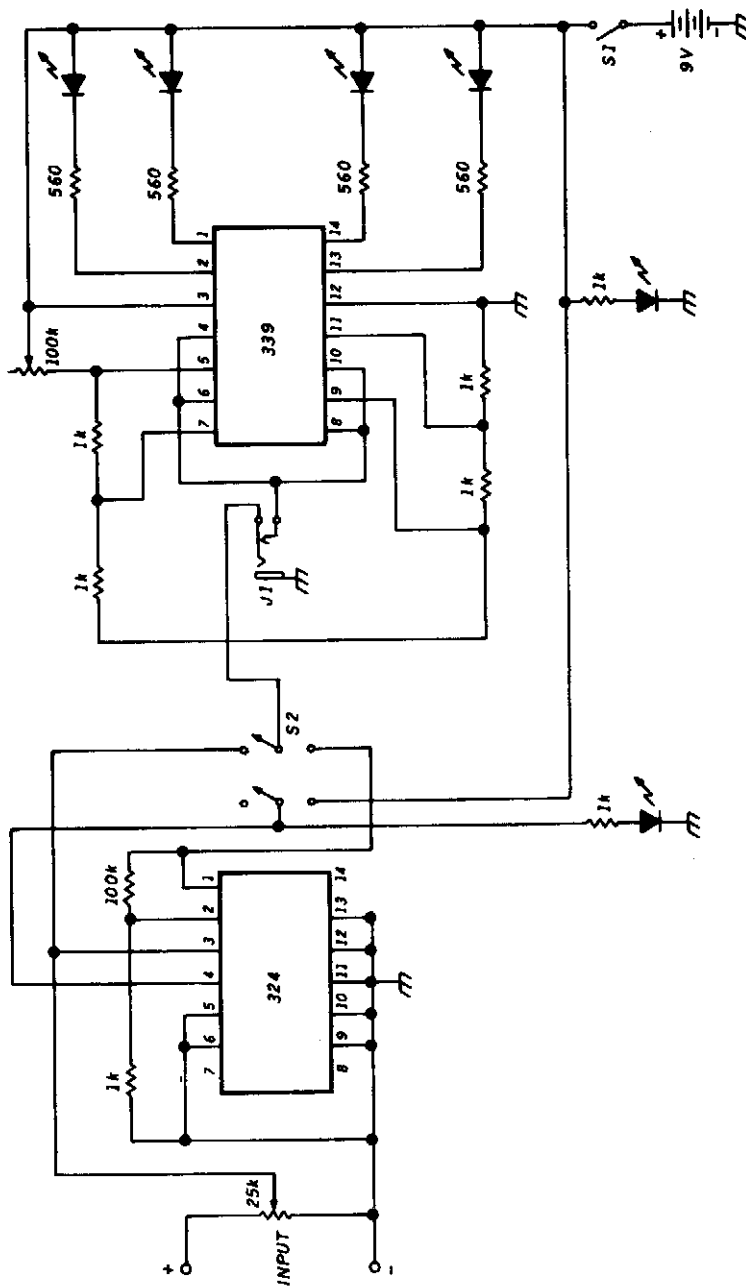
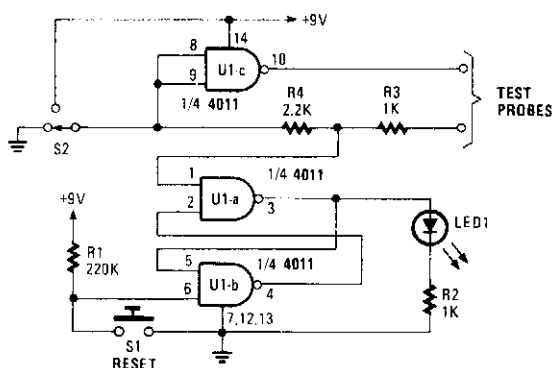


Fig. 47-17

HAM RADIO

This circuit uses a dc amplifier (324) in a bar-graph circuit that uses an LM339 Quad comparator IC to sense dc levels. The LEDs will light every 100 mV. The 324 op amp is configured to provide a gain of  $100\times$  to increase this sensitivity to 1 mV. Two auxiliary LEDs indicate "power on" and " $\times 100$ " gain setting.

## LATCHING CONTINUITY CHECKER

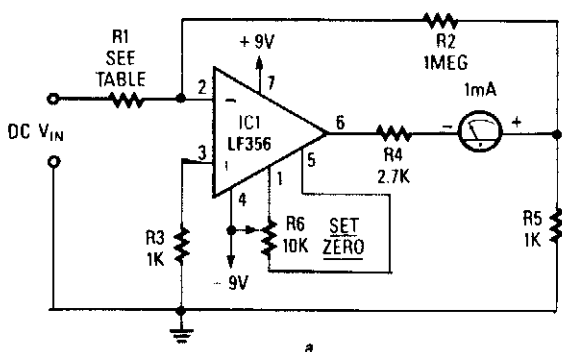


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-18

This circuit detects brief shorts or opens. When S2 is in the up position, the circuit indicates if there is or was continuity by lighting LED1. U1A and U1B are connected as an R-S flip-flop. S1 resets the tester. When S2 is in the down position, a momentary interruption in continuity will light LED1. This tester is good for detecting intermittent shorts or opens.

## dc MILLIVOLTMETER



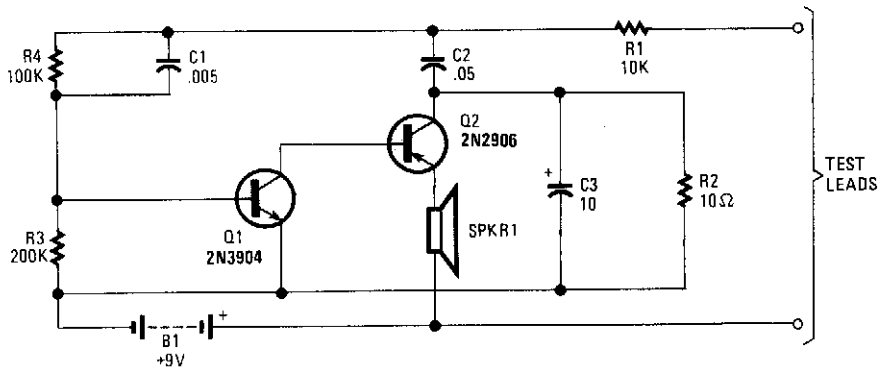
| VOLTAGE FULL SCALE | R1   |
|--------------------|------|
| 1V                 | 1MEG |
| 100mV              | 100K |
| 10mV               | 10K  |
| 1mV                | 1K   |

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-19

An LF356 op amp is used as a gain amplifier with the output taken across R5. When a full-scale current of 1 mA is flowing through the meter, exactly 1 V appears across R5 (should be 1% tolerance or better). This is fed back to R2 to the summing junction of IC1 (a full-scale produces 1 $\mu$ A). This offsets the current through R1. R1 has a value of 1 M $\Omega$ /V which is used to zero the meter. R4 provides some overcurrent protection for the meter.

## CONTINUITY TESTER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 47-20

A continuity tester that has an audible indicator can be more useful in some cases than a visual indicator, because you need not take your eyes from the job at hand. Q1 and Q2 form an audio oscillator. When the test leads are connected to a continuous circuit, the oscillator operates, and sounds a tone from the speaker.

# 48

## Measuring and Test Circuits (High-Frequency and RF)

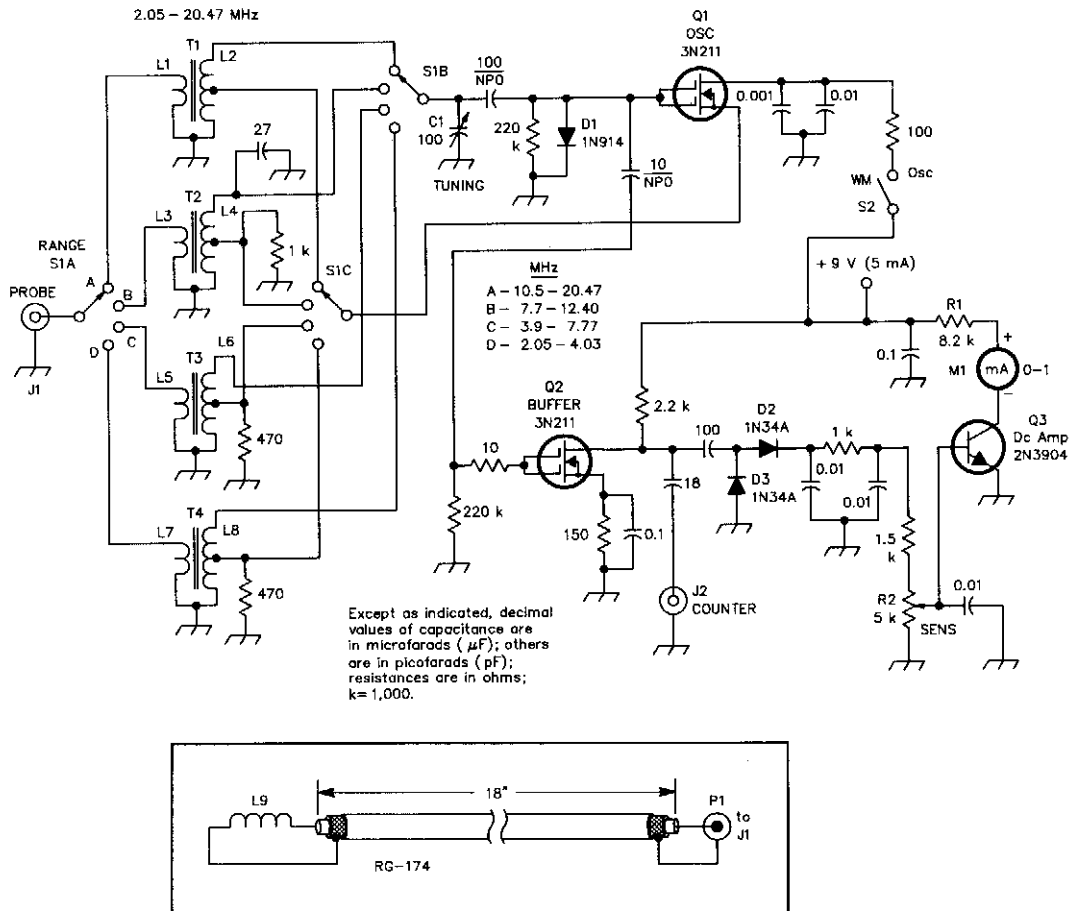
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 670. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Bandswitched Grid-Dip Meter  
UHF "Source" Dipper  
Modulation Monitor  
Frequency Counter  
455-kHz AM IF Signal Generator  
Precision Crystal Frequency Checker  
Tuned RF Wavemeter  
AM Broadcast Band Signal Generator  
Wideband Test Amplifier  
Deviation Meter



## BANDSWITCHED GRID DIP METER

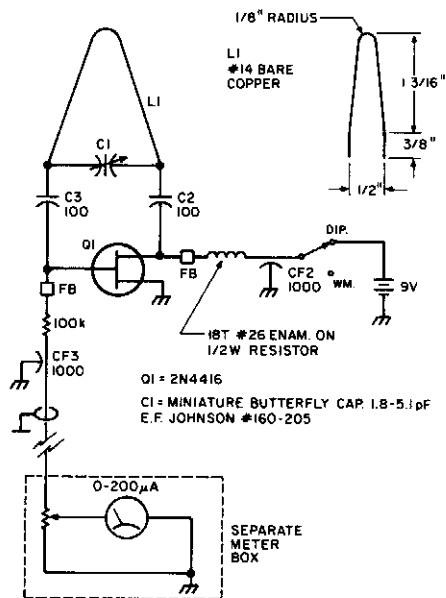


QST

Fig. 48-1

For checking resonances, tuned circuits, antennas, etc., this circuit covers the 2-to 20-MHz range. Q1 serves as an oscillator tunable over this range via C1 and bandswitched coils L1 through L8. When the probe is coupled to a circuit resonant at the oscillation frequency, some RF power will be absorbed and the oscillator output will drop. Q2, D2, D3, and Q3 form an RF detector and dc amplifier to drive meter M1, which will show the drop in Rf level, indicating resonance. R2 is a sensitivity control.

## UHF "SOURCE" DIPPER



73 AMATEUR RADIO

Fig. 48-2(a)

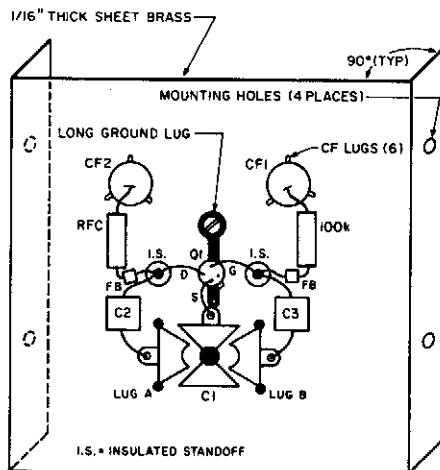
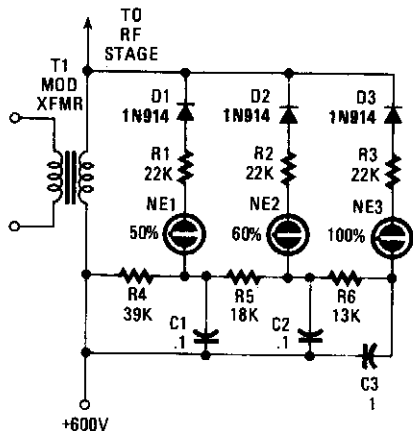


Fig. 48-2(b)

This dipper is useful for UHF experiments in the 420-to-450 MHz amateur band. Because layout can affect performance, follow Fig. 48-2(b).

## MODULATION MONITOR

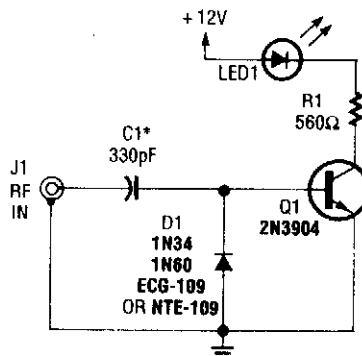


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-3

Suitable for AM transmitters, this circuit uses neon lamps to indicate 50%, 85%, and 100% modulation on negative peaks.

## RF OUTPUT INDICATOR

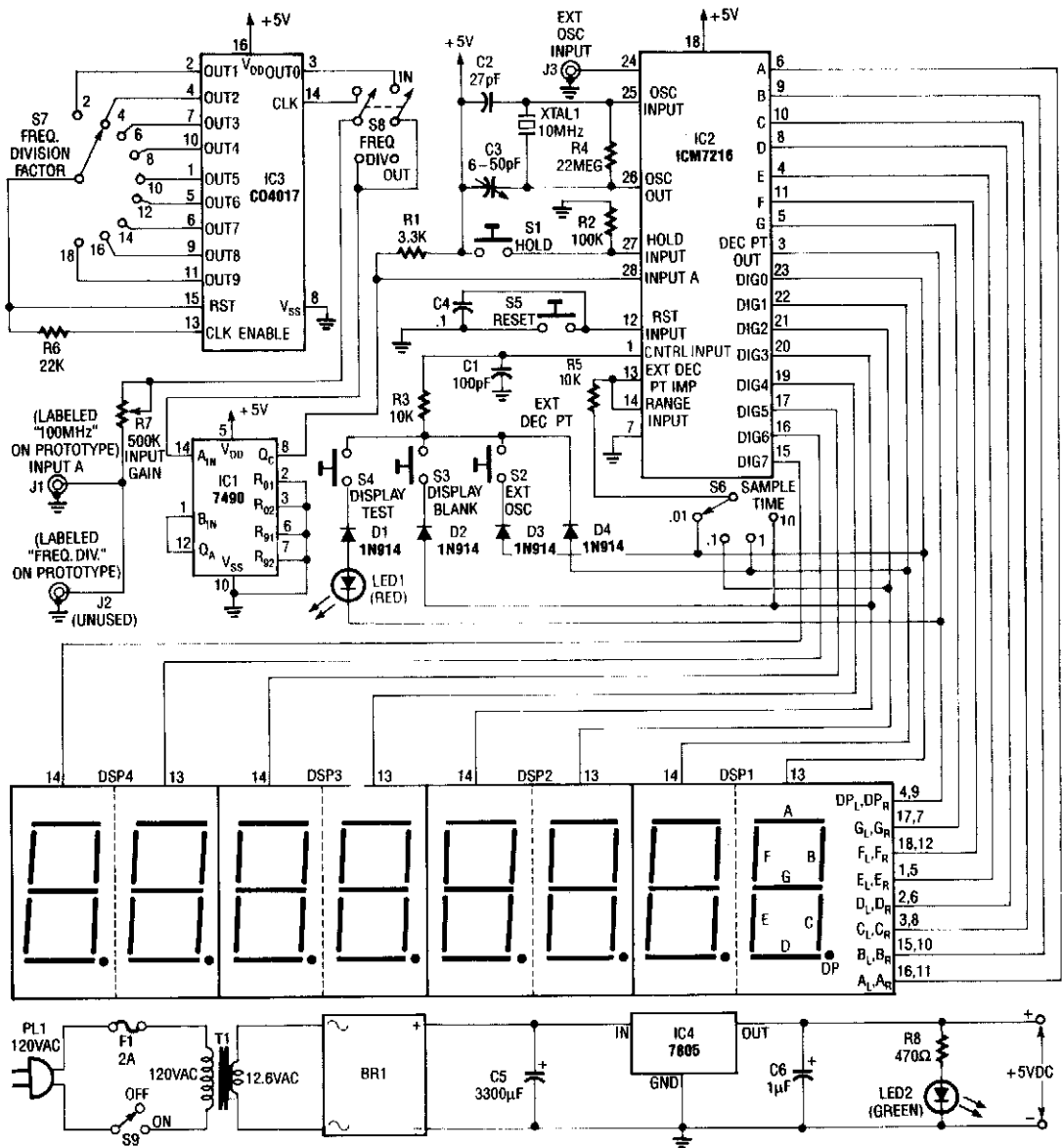


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-4

A simple RF detector circuit using a visual indicator can be useful for an RF output indicator, etc. This circuit was used for a transmitter ON indicator.

## FREQUENCY COUNTER

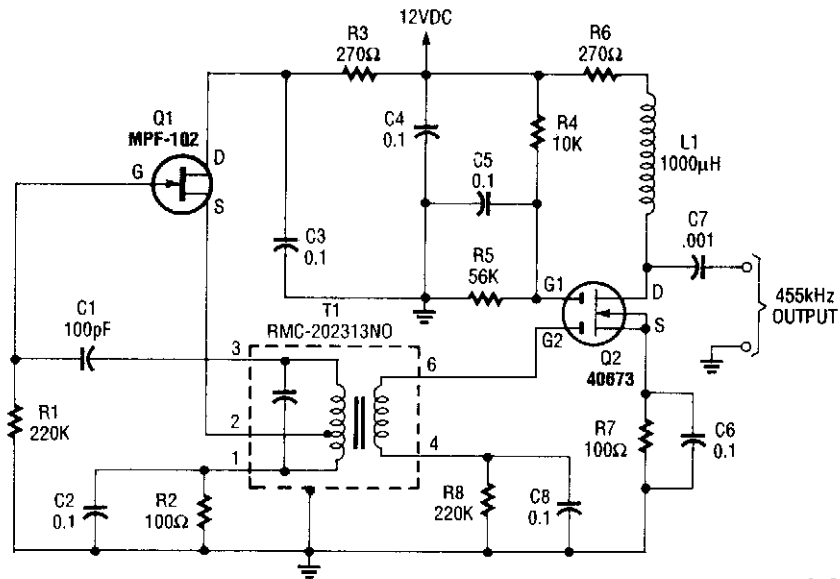


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-5

Built around an Intersil 7216 frequency-counter IC, this counter has a basic range of 10 MHz, a 100-MHz prescaler, and an extra frequency divider (IC3). This divider divides by an extra factor, as marked on S7 (see schematic), to extend the range of the counter. The display is multiplexed. MAN6710 2-digit red common anode 7-segment LED displays were used on the prototype.

## 455-KHz AM IF SIGNAL GENERATOR

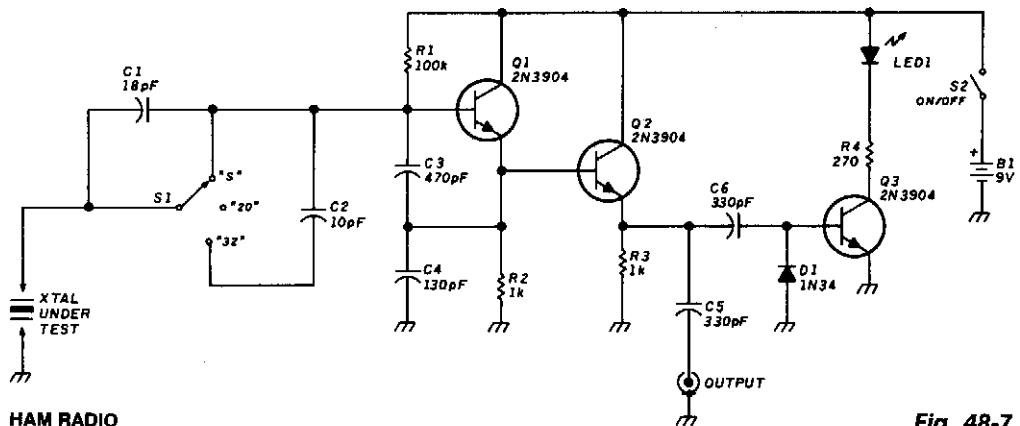


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-6

An MPF102 FET oscillator drives a dual-gate MOSFET buffer. The MPF102 is configured as a Hartley oscillator. If desired, an audio voltage can be coupled to the junction of R4, R5, and C5 with an extra coupling capacitor ( $\approx 1\mu\text{F}$ ) to AM modulate the signal. T1 = Toko P/N RMC-202313NO.

## PRECISION CRYSTAL FREQUENCY CHECKER

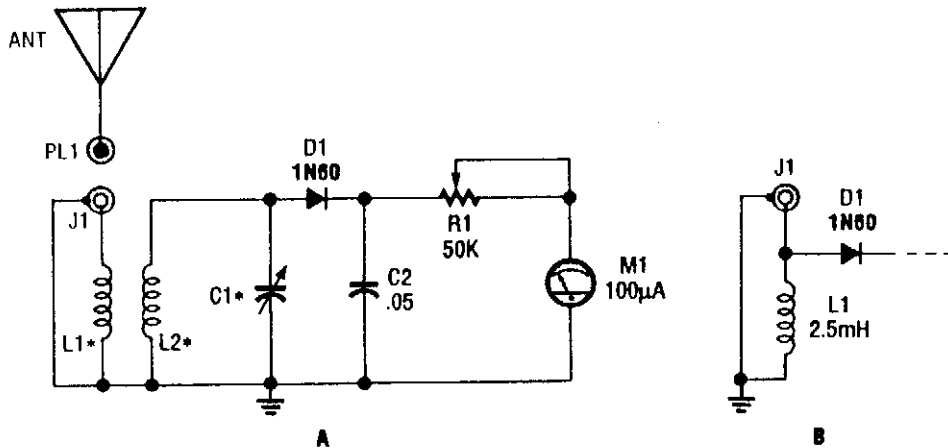


HAM RADIO

Fig. 48-7

This circuit uses a Colpitts oscillator (Q1) with a buffer amplifier (Q2) to test crystals. S1 selects three load conditions—series (S), 20 pF, and 32 pF. Leads to S1 and the crystal should be kept short. The circuit should be useful over 2- to 20-MHz.

## TUNED RF WAVEMETER

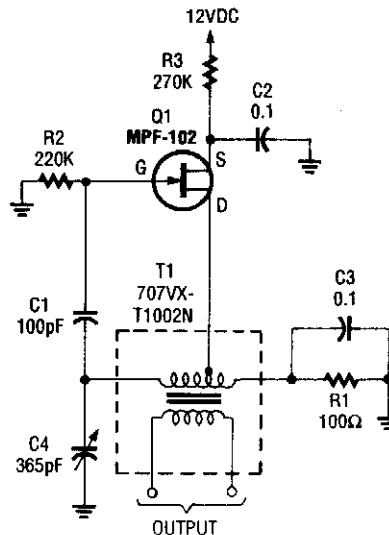


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 48-8

L1 and L2 form a tuned transformer. About a 1:3 turns ratio is optimum. L2 and C1 tune to the desired frequency. The frequency range can be 10 kHz to over 200 MHz, depending on the value of C1. For HF use, C1 can be a 140-pF variable. For VHF, use about 25 pF. Use of a 2.5  $\mu$ H RF choke will yield an untuned wavemeter.

## AM BROADCAST-BAND SIGNAL GENERATOR

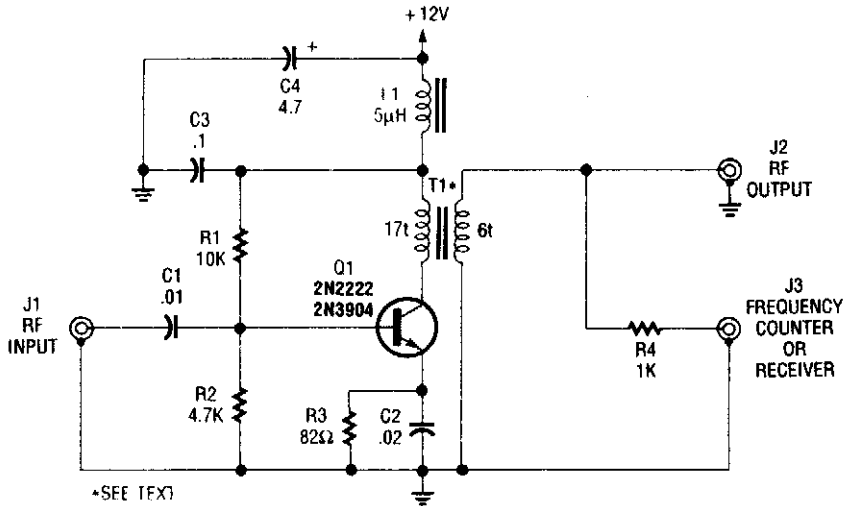


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Fig. 48-9

A Hartley oscillator using an MPF102 covers the band from 530 to 1 600 kHz. T1 is a Toko P/N T1-707VXT1002N 217  $\mu$ hy transformer.

## WIDEBAND TEST AMPLIFIER

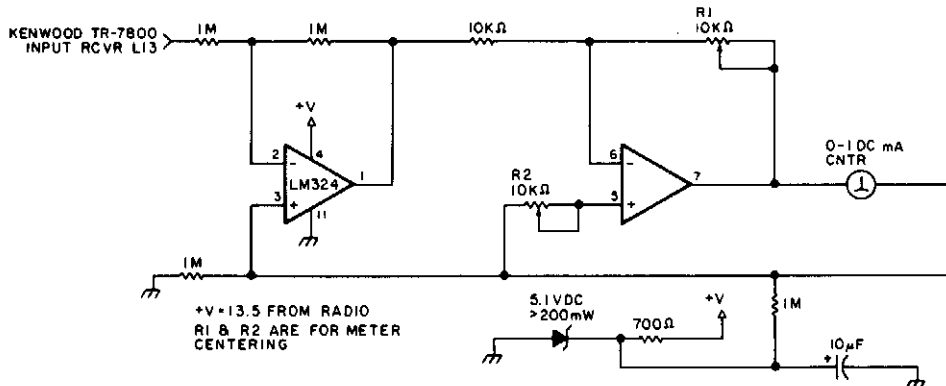


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**Fig. 48-10**

This single-stage amplifier (using a 2N2222 or 2N3904 general-purpose transistor) is useful for interfacing test instruments. T1 is an Amidon Associates FT-23-43 core wound with 17 and 6 turns of #26 wire. J3 is a lower-level output for a monitoring device (such as a receiver frequency counter or spectrum analyzer).

## DEVIATION METER



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**Fig. 48-11**

You can use this circuit in most FM VHF receivers; the hookup is off the FM discriminator. Because every signal transmitted has its own deviation signature, this can be a real plus in hunting jammers.

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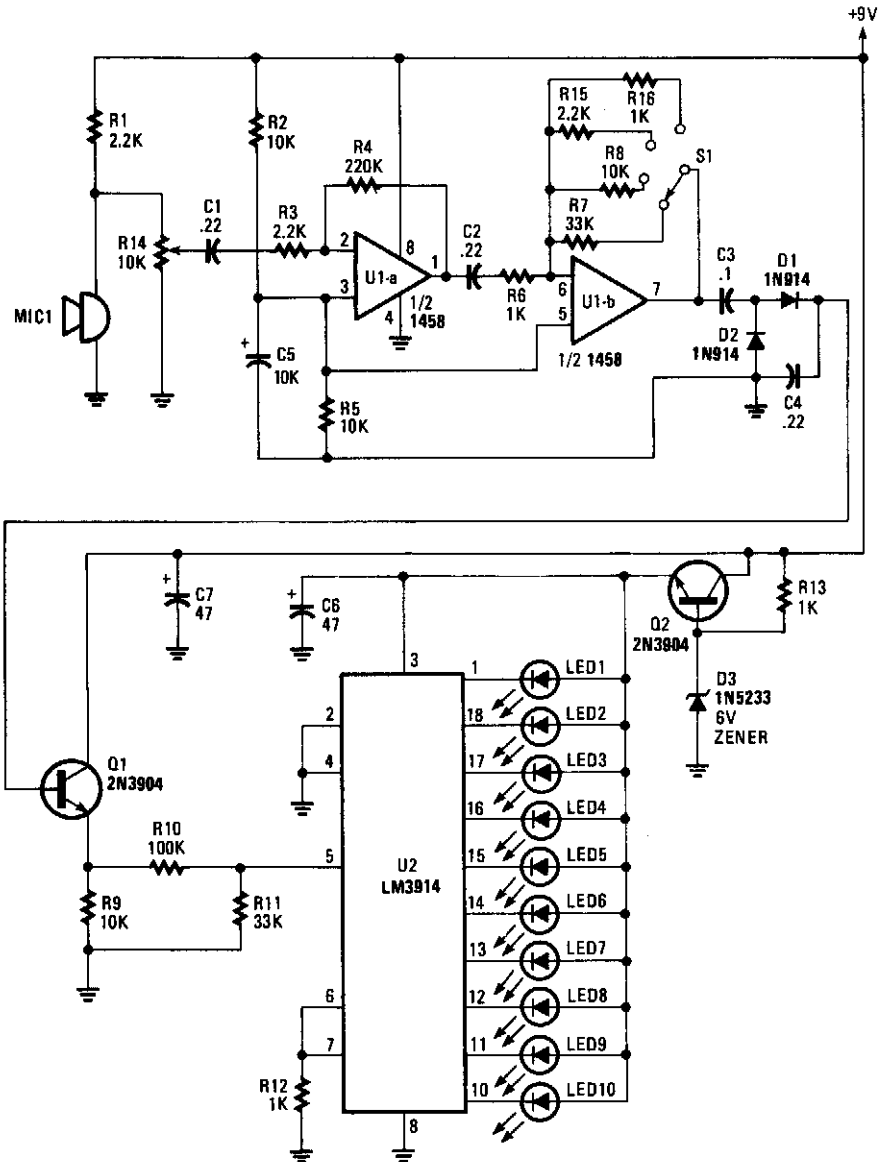
## Measuring and Test Circuits (Sound)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 670. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sound-Level Meter  
Stereo Audio Power Meter  
Sound-Level Meter  
Noise Generator  
Audio Filter Analyzer  
Stereo Audio-Level Meter  
Mono Audio-Level Meter  
Acoustic Sound Transmitter  
Acoustic Sound Receiver

## SOUND-LEVEL METER



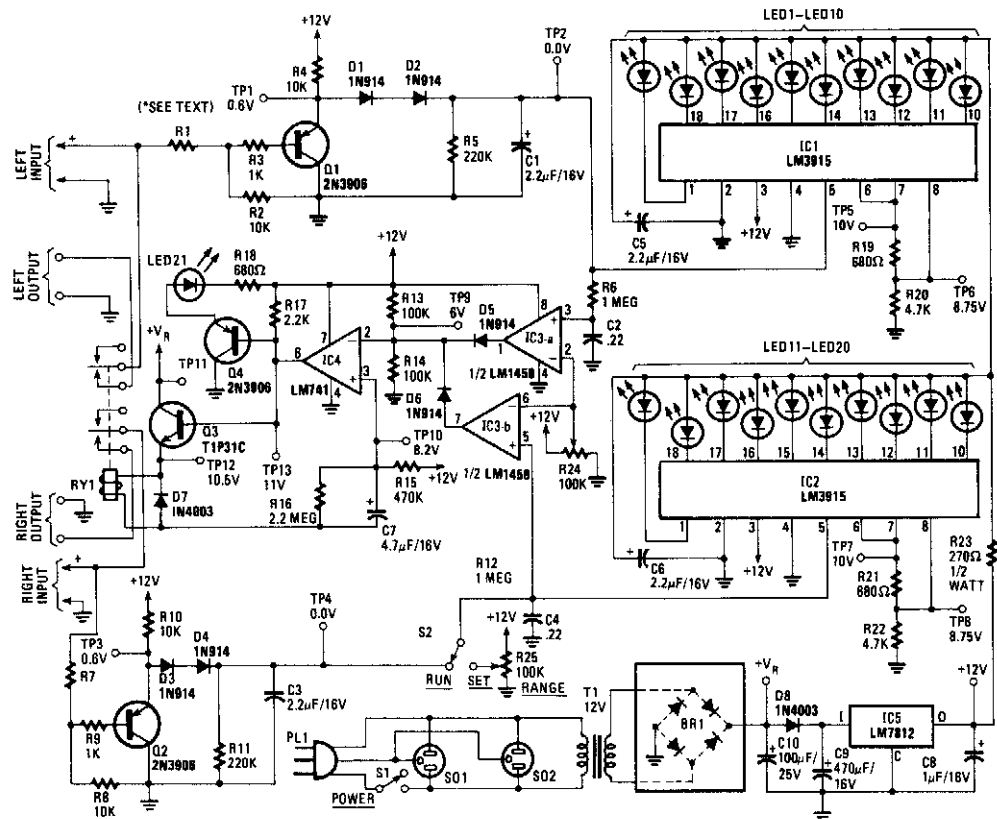
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-1

An electret microphone feeds an audio amplifier/rectifier combination. The amplifier has switchable gain. The rectifier output drives an LM3914 bar-graph generator. R14 provides fine gain control.



## STEREO AUDIO POWER METER



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-2

### Attenuation Resistor Values

| Speaker Impedance | 50 W | 100 W | 200 W | 400 W | 800 W |
|-------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2 Ω               | *    | 3.9K  | 10K   | 18K   | 30K   |
| 4 Ω               | 3.9K | 10K   | 18K   | 30K   | 47K   |
| 8 Ω               | 10K  | 18K   | 30K   | 47K   | 68K   |
| 16 Ω              | 18K  | 30K   | 47K   | 68K   | 100K  |

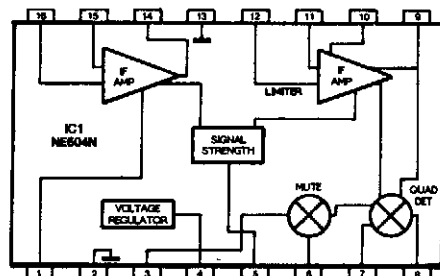
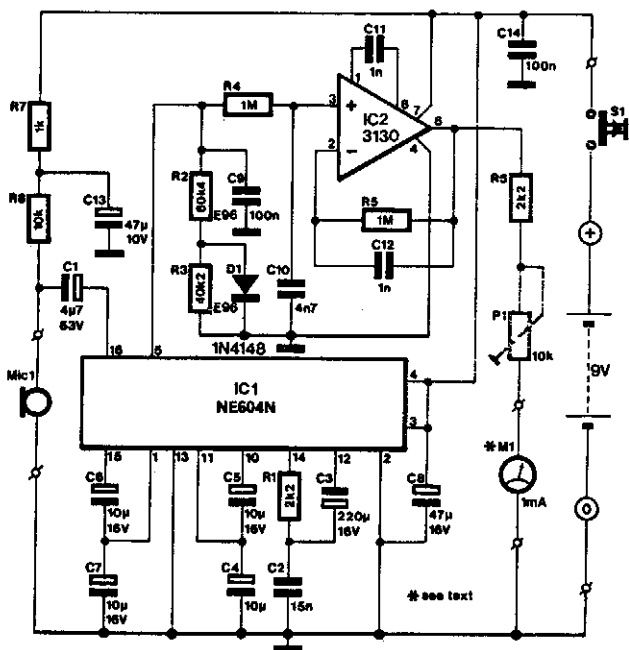
(\*To read a maximum power level of 50 W into 2 Ω, R1 and R7 should be replaced by a piece of wire between the appropriate printed circuit board pads.)

### Peak Power Displayed

| LED   | 50 W | 100 W | 200 W | 400 W | 800 W |
|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1,11  | 0.1  | 0.2   | 0.4   | 0.8   | 1.5   |
| 2,12  | 0.2  | 0.4   | 0.8   | 1.5   | 3     |
| 3,13  | 0.4  | 0.8   | 1.5   | 3     | 6     |
| 4,14  | 0.8  | 1.5   | 3     | 6     | 13    |
| 5,15  | 1.5  | 3     | 6     | 13    | 25    |
| 6,16  | 3    | 6     | 13    | 25    | 50    |
| 7,17  | 6    | 13    | 25    | 50    | 100   |
| 8,18  | 13   | 25    | 50    | 100   | 200   |
| 9,19  | 25   | 50    | 100   | 200   | 400   |
| 10,20 | 50   | 100   | 200   | 400   | 800   |

This circuit is used to meter the audio power output of an amplifier feeding a speaker. RY1 is actuated if excess power is fed to the speaker. Two channels are included for stereo applications. R1 and R2 and R3 form an attenuator. When a signal level is reached that produces a voltage across C1, comparator IC3A goes high, and IC4 and Q4 produce enough drive to Q3 to trip relay 1, which cuts off the speakers. LED21 will light as well. In addition, IC1 reads the voltage across C1. IC1 is a bar-graph driver, which lights bar-graph display LED1 through LED10.

## SOUND-LEVEL METER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-3

The NE604's signal-strength indicator section is used, based on an internal logarithmic converter. This enables a linear decibel scale so that the moving-coil meter (shown in the diagram) can be replaced by a digital instrument.

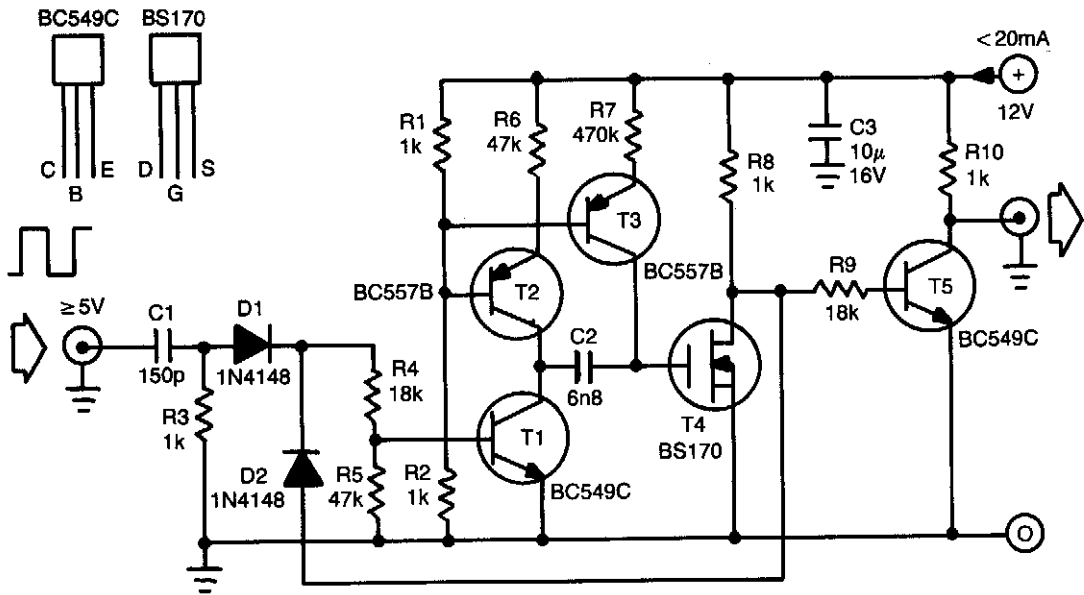
The signal source is assumed to be an electret microphone that converts ambient noise into an electrical signal. Because this type of microphone normally contains a buffer stage, R7, R8, and C13 have been included to provide the supply voltage for this stage.

The NE604 delivers an output current (at pin 5) of 0 to 50  $\mu\text{A}$ , which causes a potential difference across R2 + R3 of 0 to 5 V. The input and output signal range is equivalent to a sound range of 70 dB. To compensate for the effects of temperature changes, the required resistance of 100 k $\Omega$  is formed by two resistors (R2 and R3) and a diode (D1).

Any ripple remaining on the output voltage is removed by R4/C9/C10 before the output is buffered by IC2. The indicating instrument, here a moving-coil meter, is connected to the output (pin 6) of IC2 via a series resistance, R<sub>5</sub> + P<sub>1</sub>. The preset is adjusted to give full-scale deflection (FSD) for an output voltage of 4 V.

Calibrating the meter is a little tricky, unless you have access to an already calibrated instrument. Otherwise, if you know the efficiency of your loudspeaker, that is, how many decibels for 1 W at 1 m, you can use that as reference. The scale of the meter can then be marked with the (approximate) value. In any case, the meter deflection must at all times be seen as an indication, not as an absolute value: it was not thought to be worthwhile to add a filter to the circuit to enable absolute measurements to be made.

## NOISE GENERATOR



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-4

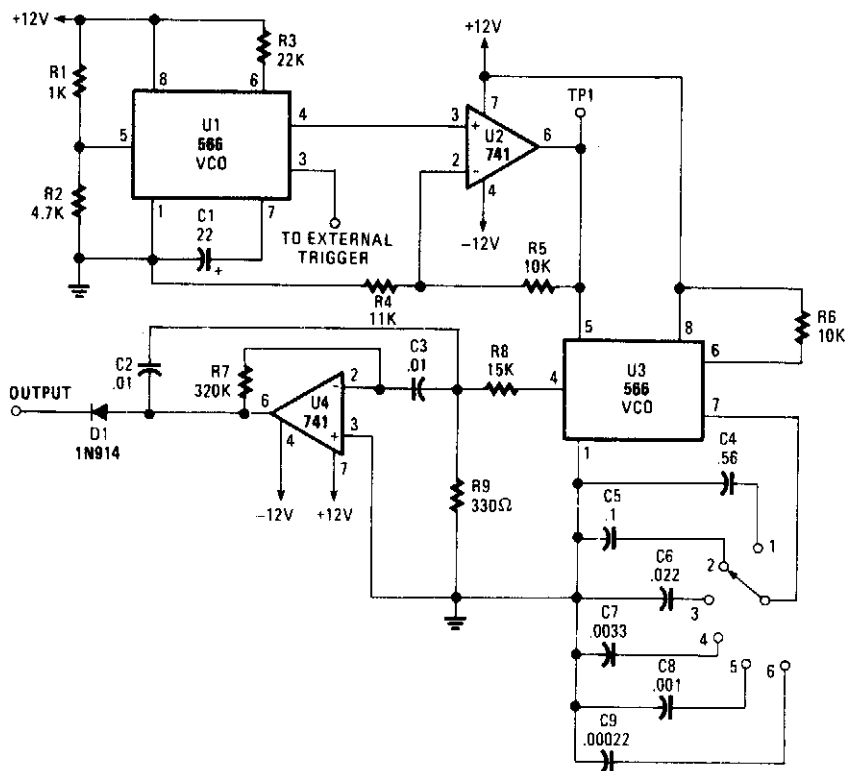
This noise generator provides constant noise energy over its bandwidth, which results from the non-linear behavior of its switching components, more particularly T4. It is very useful for measurements where limited noise bands are required. Varying the ratio  $R_6:R_7$  and the clock frequency enables the generated noise to be adapted to specific requirements.

Transistors T2 and T3 are current sources. The current through T2 is about 10 times the level of that through T3. Assuming that T4 is on and that the clock input is low, T1 is off, and C2 discharges. The capacitor is pulled to about half of the supply voltage by the two current sources. When that state is reached, stability ensues because the potential then present at the gate of T4 keeps the FET switched on.

When the clock goes high, T1 is switched on so that C2 is connected between the gate of T4 and the earth. Because C2 is only partly charged, the FET is switched off. Transistor T1 is kept switched on by OR gate D1/D2 so that the clock pulses are blocked. Capacitor C2 then charges via T3 until the potential across it becomes high enough to switch on T4. Transistor T1 is then switched off and the circuit is ready to receive another clock pulse (or rather a leading edge of one).

Because it is not known when the clock pulse arrives, it is not known to what potential C2 will be discharged by T2 (and countered by T3). It is therefore also not known when the next clock pulse will arrive. In other words, the pulse width of the output signal is varying constantly, which is characteristic of a noise signal.

## AUDIO FILTER ANALYZER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

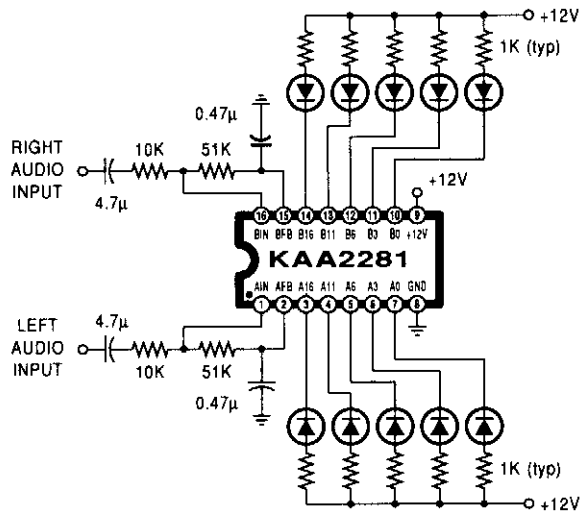
Fig. 49-5

When this circuit is connected to a filter and an oscilloscope, the scope displays the filter's frequency response. A frequency that sweeps from low to high is applied to a filter. An oscilloscope is triggered by the start of the sweep and ends its trace at the highest frequency of the sweep. The filter output goes to the vertical amplifier of the oscilloscope. Using bandpass filters as an example, as the bandpass frequency is approached, reached, and passed, the scope follows the peaking output and draws the response curve. A neat effect!

The 566 VCO (U1) produces a VLF triangle wave to frequency modulate the next stage. It also produces a square wave to externally trigger the scope. Op amp U2 (a 741 unit) optimizes the amplitude and the dc component. Another VCO (U3) produces the actual sweeping triangle wave. Its frequency is selectable via S1. Op amp U4 (another 741 op amp) is set up as a bandpass filter and has been included as an example filter. Finally, diode D1 chops off the bottom half of the output, and leaves a nice bell curve.

To set up and operate, power-up the circuit and scope. Set the scope's TIME/CM to 50 ms/cm. Set the VOLTS/CM control to 2 V. Attach a probe from the circuit's trigger to the scope's external trigger input. Set the triggering mode to normal, external. Attach a probe from the vertical amplifier to TP1. You'll see a diagonal line that runs across the CRT. Input coupling should be set to dc. Adjust the triggering level until the diagonal runs from the upper left to the lower right of the CRT to ensure a displayed sweep from low to high. Now, disconnect the probe from TP1 and attach it to the filter output past the diode.

## STEREO AUDIO-LEVEL METER

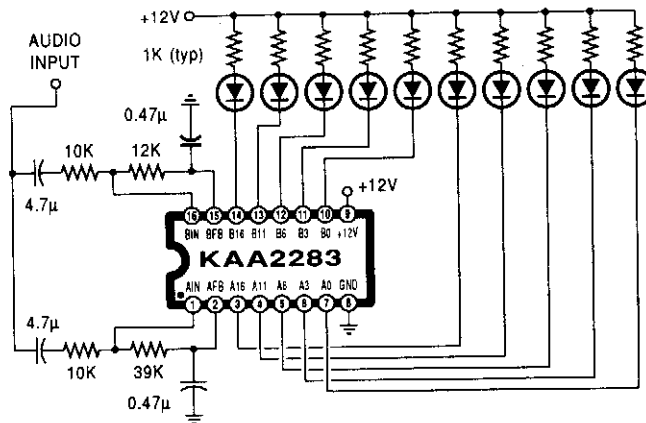


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-6

A Samsung KAA2281 and a few LEDs make up a simple stereo indicator. Levels displayed are  $-16$ ,  $-11$ ,  $-6$ ,  $-3$ , and  $0$  dB. Input sensitivity is  $1$  mV. LEDs can be any suitable types or a bar-graph display.

## MONO AUDIO-LEVEL METER



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 49-7

This mono indicator uses both halves of a Samsung KAA2283. Levels displayed are  $-18$  to  $0$  dB in  $2$ -dB steps. Sensitivity is  $0.1$  to  $0.9$  mV.

## ACOUSTIC SOUND TRANSMITTER

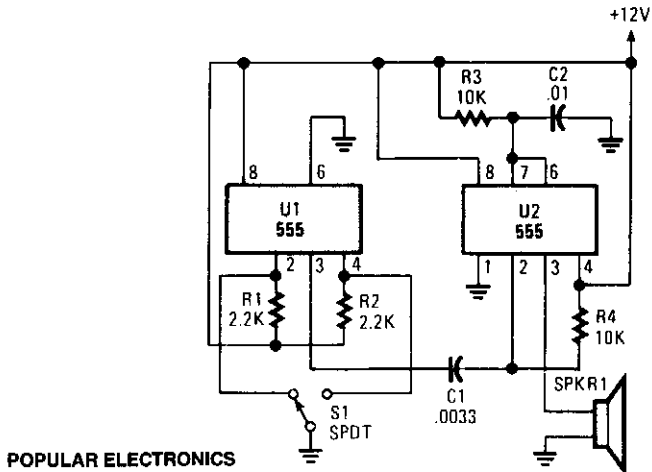


Fig. 49-8

Pulsed sound is produced by this circuit. U1 is used as a bistable multivibrator, which acts as a contact "debouncer" for S1. C1 feeds a trigger pulse to U2, which feeds a pulse to SPKR1, to piezo transducer. Values are shown for a pulse width of 110  $\mu$ s.

## ACOUSTIC SOUND RECEIVER

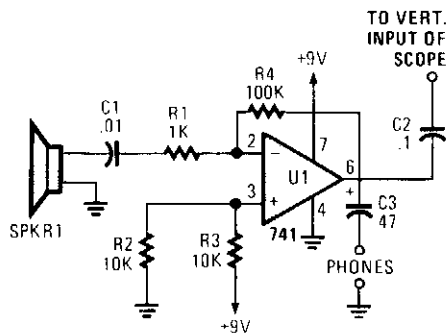


Fig. 49-9

The receiver is an audio amplifier fed by SPKR1, a piezo speaker that is used as a microphone. A scope or headphones can be used as a detector. The scope can be triggered horizontally by the transmitted acoustic pulse; the vertical display can be used to drive the delay time, and hence the distance.

$$\text{distance (feet)} = \frac{\text{delay time (ms)}}{1100}$$

(at 25°C air temperature)

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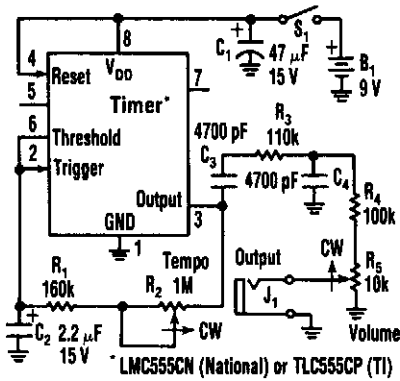
## Metronomes

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 670. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Low-Power Metronome  
Metronome I  
Simple Electronic Metronome  
Metronome II  
Novel Metronome

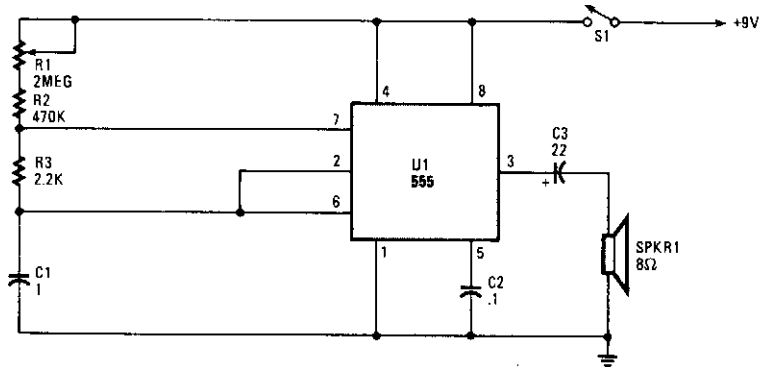
## LOW-POWER METRONOME



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 50-1

## METRONOME I

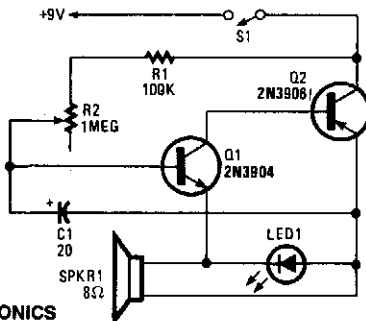


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-2 .

This simple metronome circuit offers a range of speeds from *largo* to *prestissimo*! The parts values are set so that the repetition rate adjusted by R1 runs from nearly 45 to 184 per minute.

## SIMPLE ELECTRONIC METRONOME



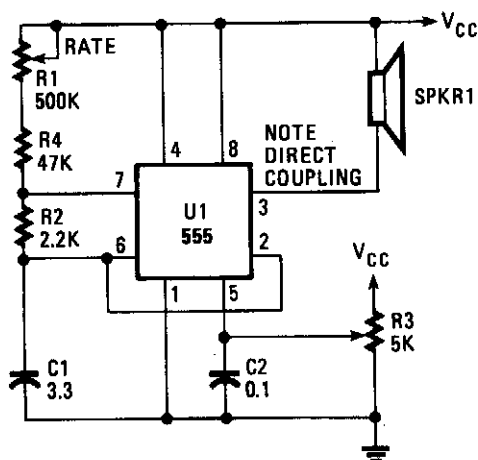
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-3

Two complementary transistors form a simple oscillator whose frequency range is from about 0.5 to several Hz. This circuit is useful as a metronome, timer, or pacer for exercise equipment.



## METRONOME II

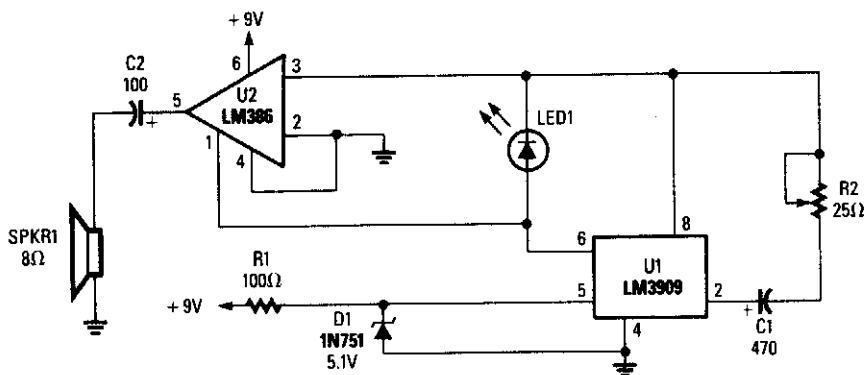


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Fig. 50-4

This electronic metronome, using a 555 oscillator/timer, provides 10 to 40 beats per minute. The frequency is controlled by R3.

## NOVEL METRONOME



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-5

The LM3909 is configured so that the frequency of oscillation is dependent on a single RC timing circuit, which consists of C1 and R2. LED1 discharges capacitor C1 and the resultant pulse is directed into pin 3 as well as pin 1 of the LM386 audio amplifier to externally control that unit, thereby providing adequate volume. The circuit, as it is configured, provides frequency ranges from 57 to 204 beats per minute, and plenty of volume.

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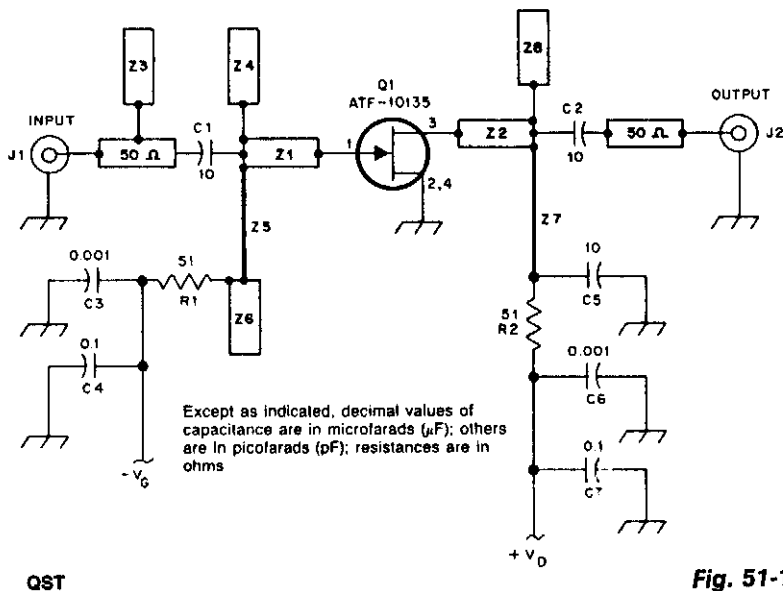
## Microwave Amplifier Circuits

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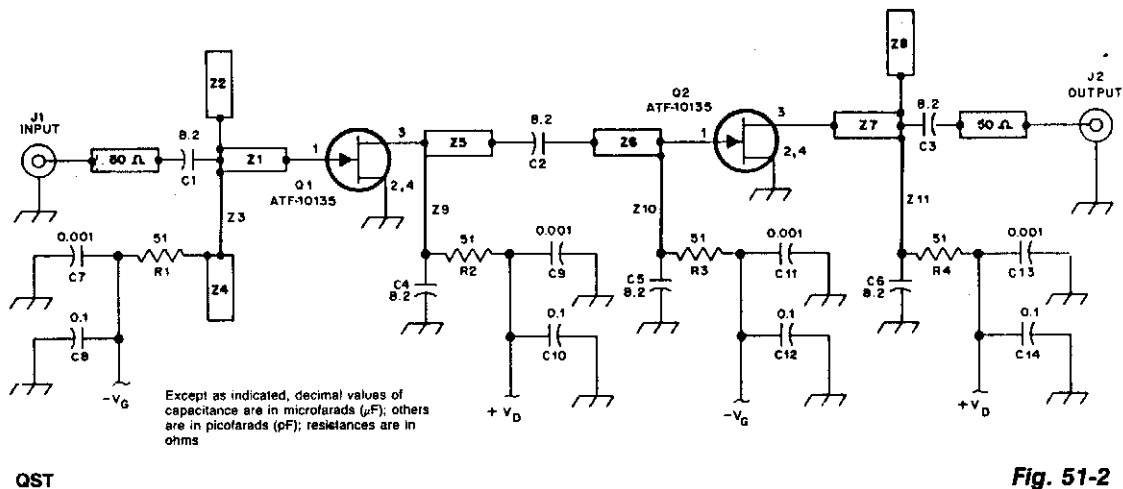
- 2.3-GHz Microwave Preamp
- 3.4-GHz Microwave Preamp
- 5.7-GHz Microwave Preamp
- 10-GHz Single-Stage Preamp
- Bias Supply for Microwave Preamps
- 10-GHz 2-Stage Preamp

### 2.3-GHz MICROWAVE PREAMP



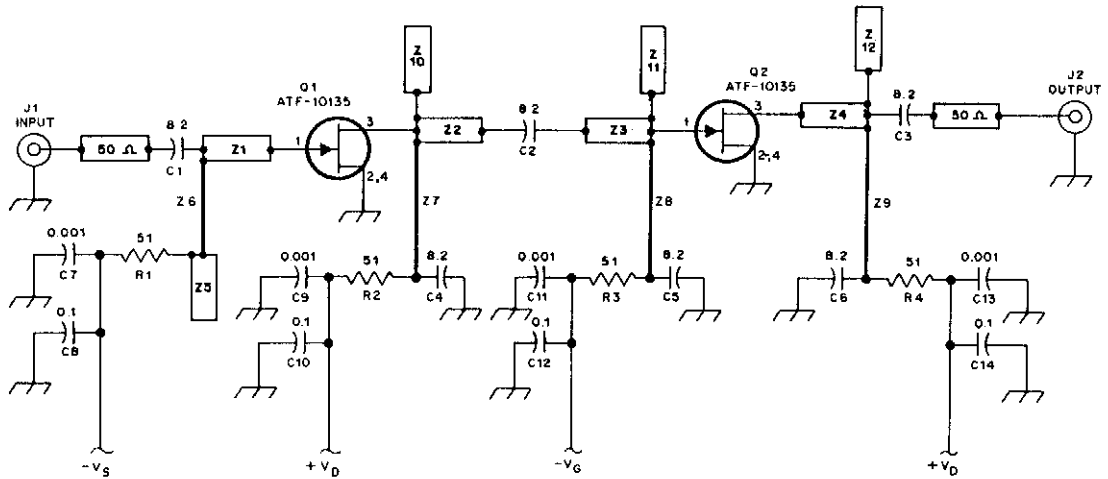
This low-noise amplifier requires no tuning, has a gain of 13 dB, and a typical NF of 0.6 dB at 2.3 GHz.

### 3.4-GHz MICROWAVE PREAMP



At 3.45 GHz, this 2-stage preamp has a gain of 23 dB (typical) and less than 1 dB NF.

## 5.7-GHz MICROWAVE AMPLIFIER



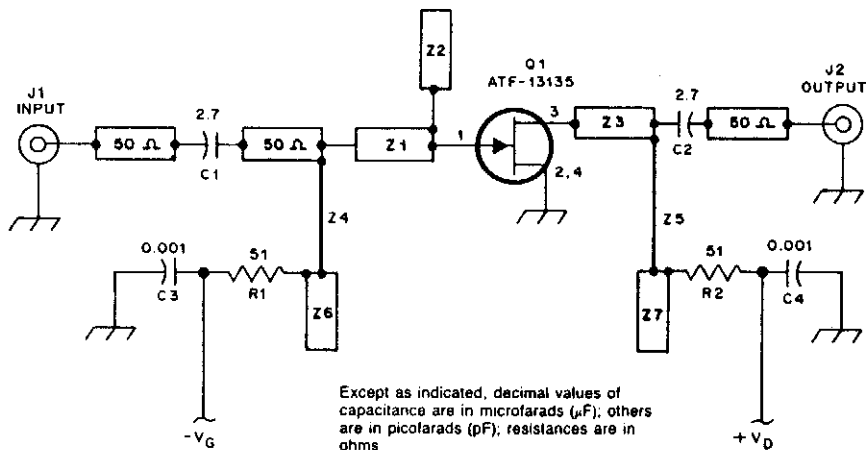
Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms.

QST

**Fig. 51-3**

This preamplifier has a typical gain of 17 dB and  $\text{NF} = 1.2$  dB or better. If a 0.031" PC board (with a dielectric constant of 2.2) is used, the reverse side is unetched.

## 10-GHz SINGLE-STAGE PREAMP



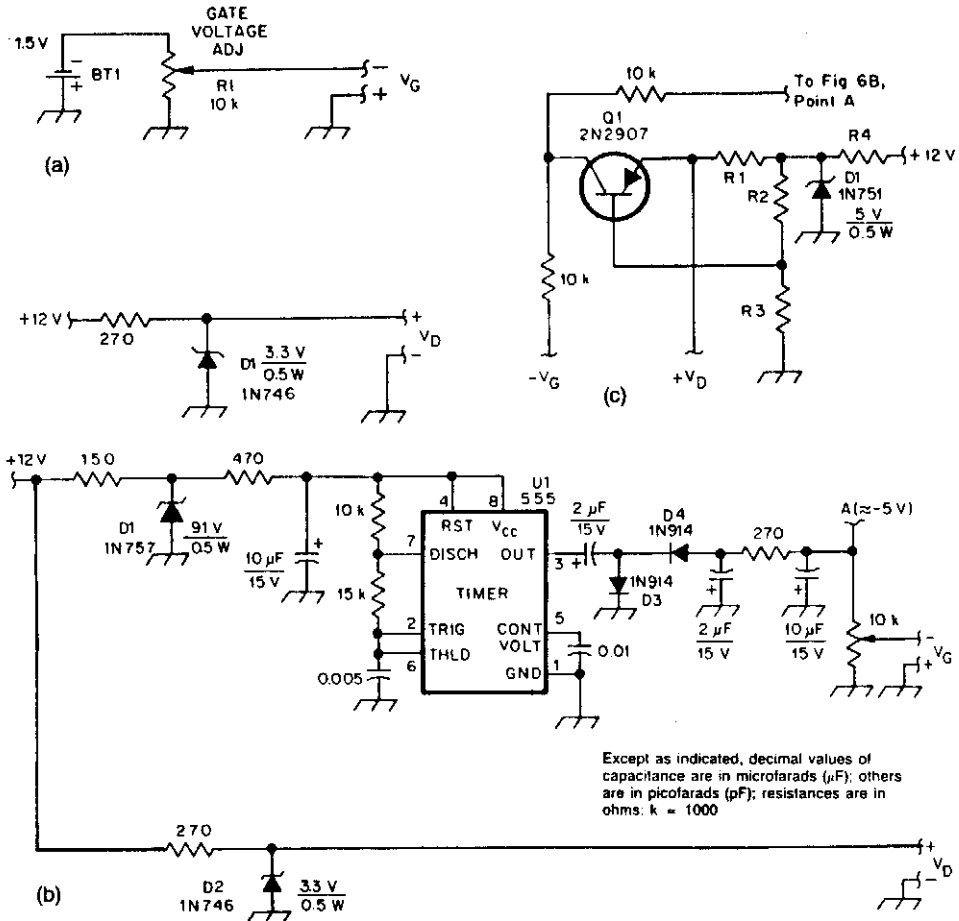
Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms.

QST

**Fig. 51-4**

Using a single Avantek ATF 13135 GASFET, this preamplifier has 8-dB gain (typically) and 1.7-dB noise figure. The PC board is 0.031", doublesided, with  $E = 2.2$ .

## BIAS SUPPLY FOR MICROWAVE PREAMPS

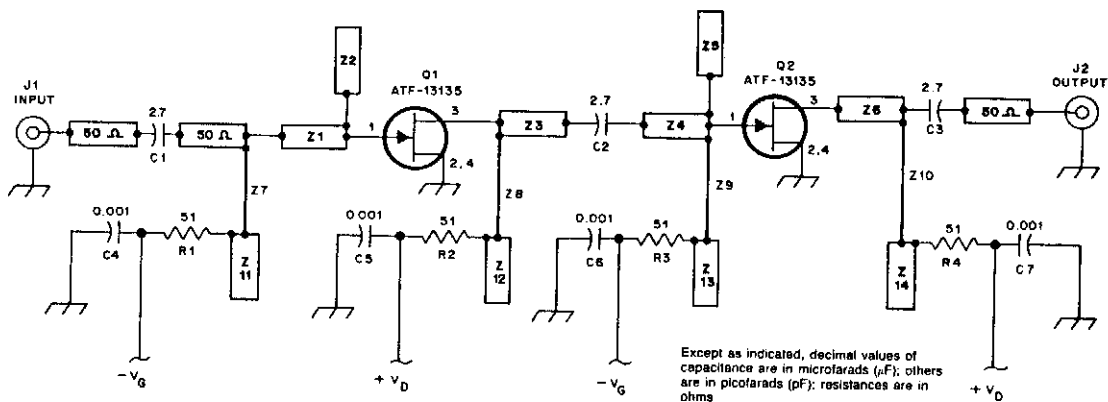


QST

Fig. 51-5

These two circuits provide bias for the microwave preamps shown in this text. The circuit in Fig. 51-5(a) is a simple passive supply. Figures 51-5(b) and 51-5(c) are active supplies, with U1 generating a negative supply and Q1 setting the drain voltage and current, independent of GASFET characteristics.

## 10-GHz 2-STAGE PREAMP



QST

**Fig. 51-6**

This preamp uses two ATF 13135 stages for typically 17-dB gain and less than 2 dB NF.

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## Miscellaneous Treasures

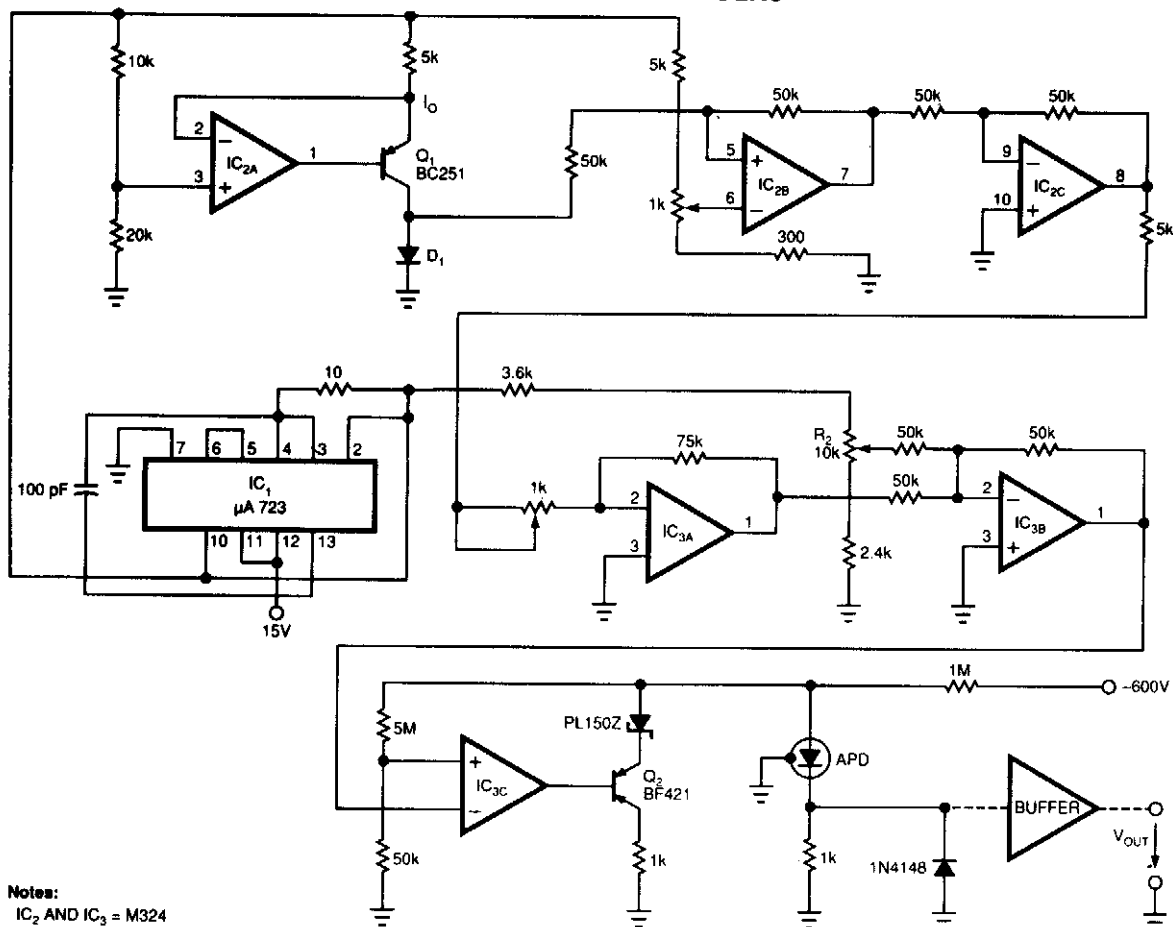
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 671. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Diode Sensor for Lasers  
RF Attenuator  
SSB Generators  
Sonic Defender  
GASFET Frequency Doubler  
Low-Frequency Multiplier  
Precision Half-Wave Rectifier  
Pulse-Width Modulator

Programmable Identifier  
Variable-Voltage Reference Source  
0-to 200-nA Current Source  
Long-Line *IR* Drop-Voltage Recovery  
Precision Full-Wave Rectifier  
Fast Symmetrical Zener Clipper  
Electronic Level

## DIODE SENSOR FOR LASERS



**Notes:**  
 IC<sub>2</sub> AND IC<sub>3</sub> = M324

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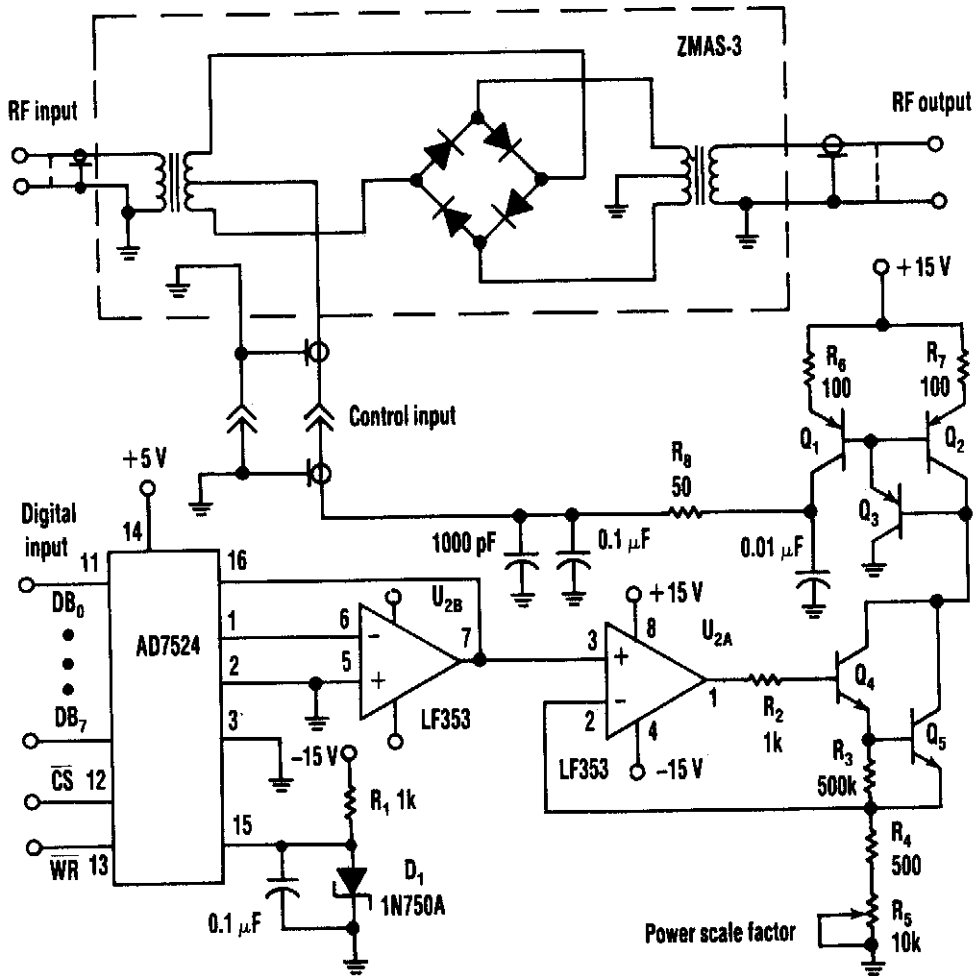
**Fig. 52-1**

Laser-receiver circuits must bias their avalanche photo diodes (APD) to achieve optimal gain. Unfortunately, an APD's gain depends on the operating temperature. The circuit controls the operating voltage of an APD over a large temperature range to maintain the gain at the optimal value. The circuit uses D1 as a temperature sensor, thermally matched with the APD.

A voltage regulator, IC1, supplies the necessary reference voltage to the circuit. IC2A and Q1 bias D1 at a constant current. IC2B, IC2C, IC3A/IC3B, and IC3C amplify D1's varying voltage and set Q2 to the optimal-gain corresponding value. Potentiometer R1 controls the amplification over a range of 5 to 15. R2 controls the voltage level, which corresponds to the optimal gain of the APD at 22°C (the temperature is specific to the type of APD). The circuit shown was tested with an RCA C 30954E APD. The tests covered -40 to +70°C and used a semiconductor laser. The laser radiation was transmuted on the APD's active surface in the climatic room via fiberoptic cable. The gain varied by, at most, ±0.2 dB over the entire temperature range.



## RF ATTENUATOR

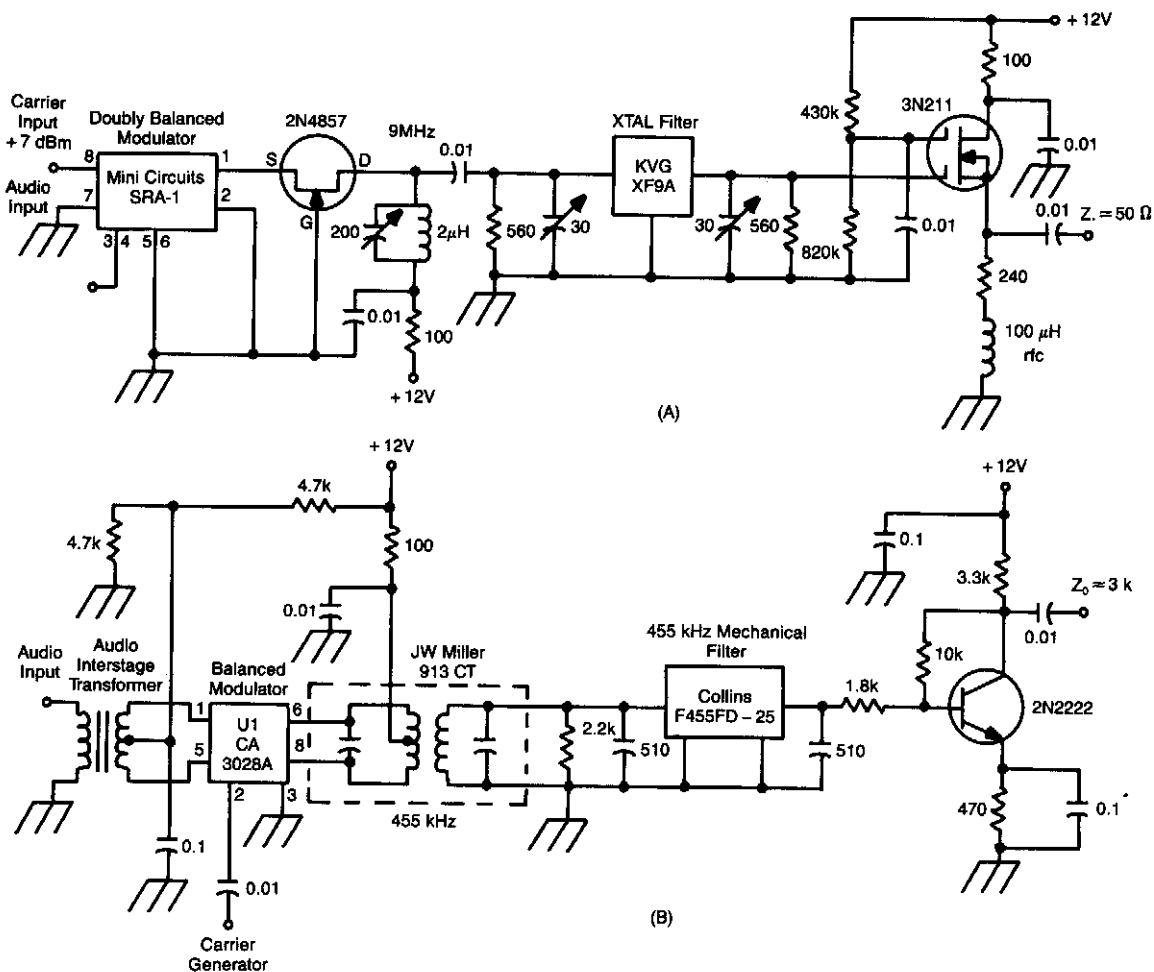


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 52-2

A balanced mixer is used as a control element in this circuit. An Analog Devices AD7524 D/A converter drives a voltage-controlled current source using two LF353s and several transistors to control the balanced mixer, a Mini Circuits Lab Z MAS-3.

## SSB GENERATORS

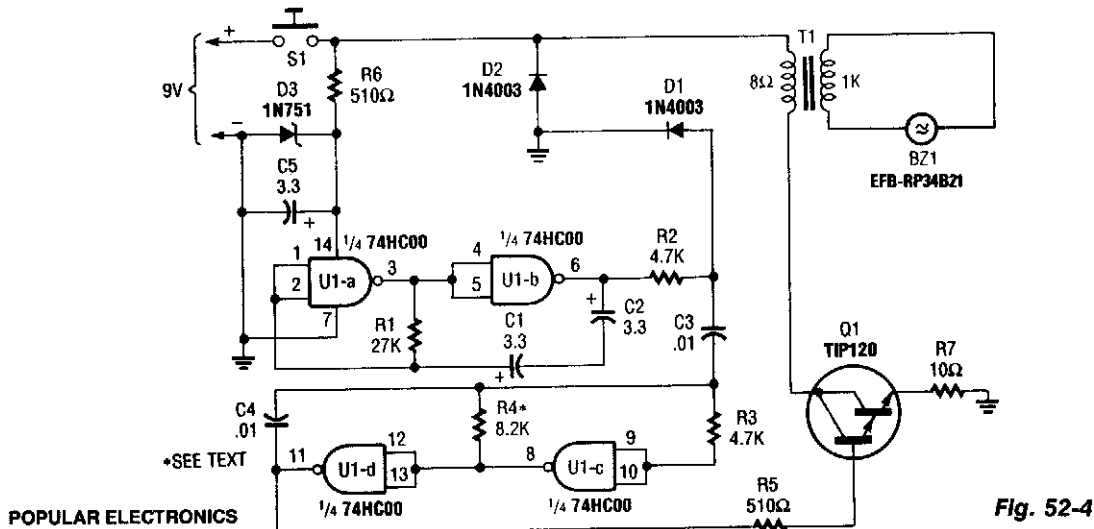


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Fig. 52-3

These two circuits are SSB generators. One uses a crystal filter by KVG Electronics at 9 MHz, the other uses a 455-kHz mechanical filter. By feeding the outputs into a mixer, the frequency of the SSB generator can be converted to other frequencies. Keep signal levels low enough so that distortion does not occur.

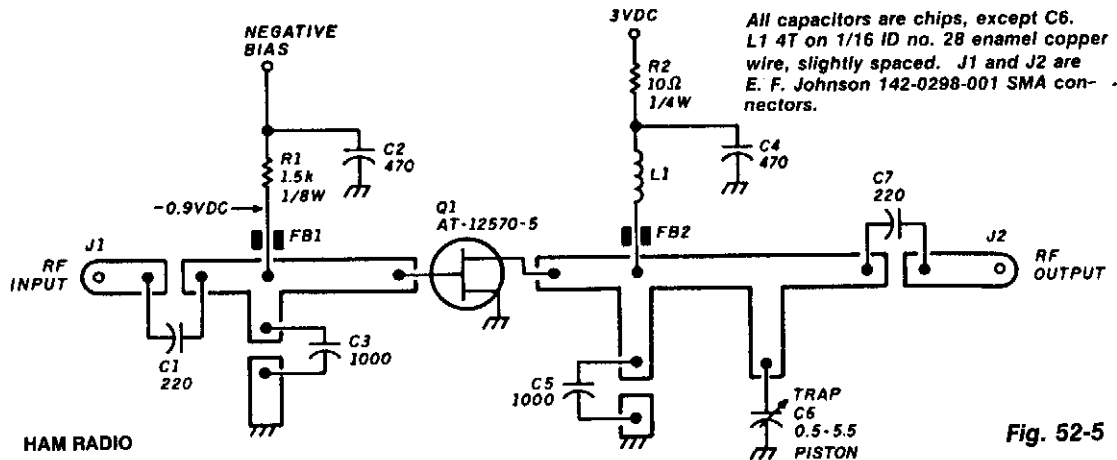
## SONIC DEFENDER



This oscillator-driver produces a deafening sound of about 3 kHz, modulated with a 10-Hz warble. BZ1 is a Matsushita EFB-RP34BZ. U1A and B generate the 10-Hz waveform that modulates the 3-kHz tone that is generated by U1C and D. Q1 drives the transducer through a 8-Ω:1-kΩ transformer. R4 might require slight changes ( $\pm 1$  kΩ) to optimize sound intensity.

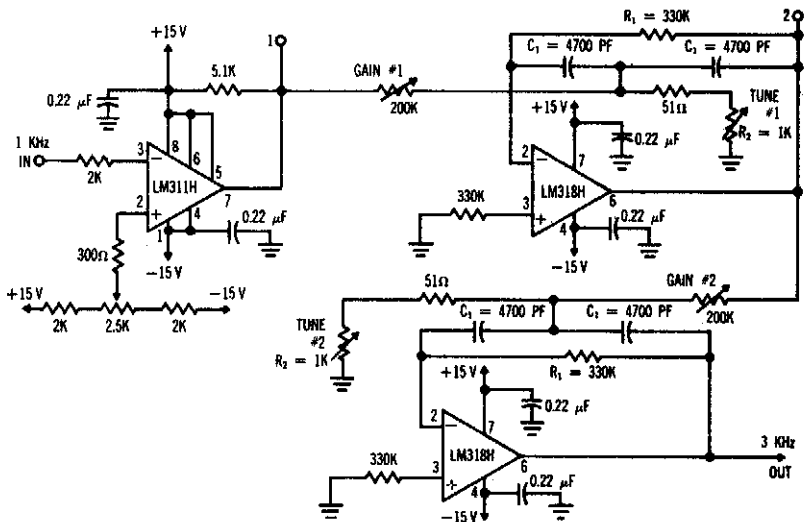
Warning: Could cause hearing loss if improperly used.

## GASFET FREQUENCY DOUBLER



This circuit will produce over +10 dBm in the 1 800-3 000-MHz range. Drive power is 7 dBm in the 900-to-1 500-MHz range. The PC board is G-10 Epoxy doublesided. Artwork is shown above, as well as parts placement connectors suitable for these frequencies (such as SMA) should be used. A negative bias supply of 0 to 3 V is required.

## LOW-FREQUENCY MULTIPLIER

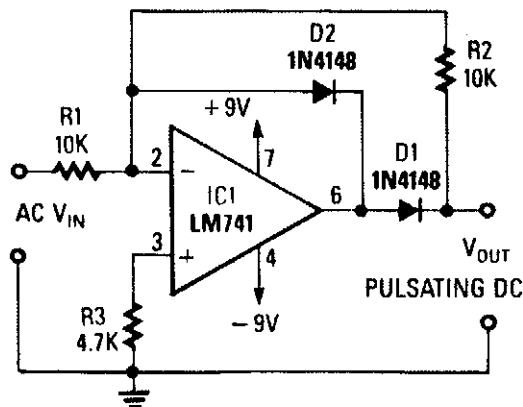


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 52-6

This circuit uses a comparator as a Schmitt trigger (311H) and two active bandpass filters (LM318H). 3-kHz output is obtained. Higher harmonics (preferably odd) can be obtained by tuning the active filters to the desired frequency.  $N$  can be 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, etc. Even harmonics can be produced by substituting a full-wave rectifier or absolute-value circuit for the Schmitt-trigger comparator.

## PRECISION HALF-WAVE RECTIFIER

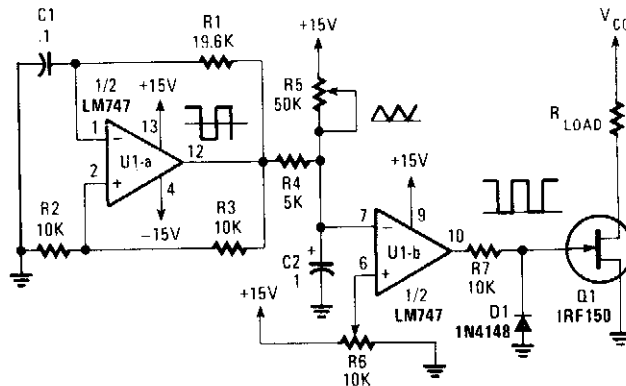


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 52-7

An ac input voltage will cause an output that is a half-wave rectified version of the input voltage.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR



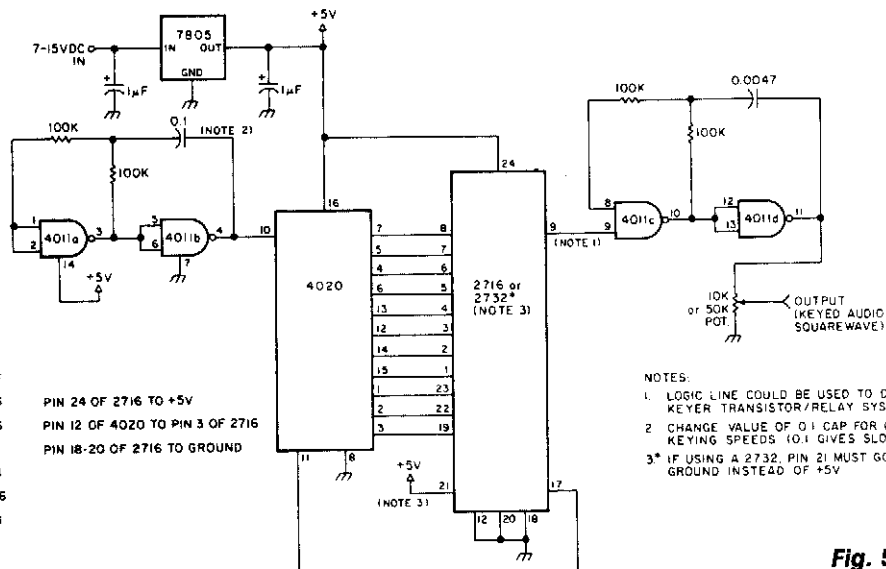
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 52-8

This circuit allows the effective power in a load to be controlled by varying the duty cycle of the on/off ratio of load current. No power is dissipated in the switching circuit.

U1A generates a bipolar square wave that is integrated into a triangle by R4 and C2. Reference voltage from R6 is fed to a comparator. The triangle wave on C2 goes to the comparator as well. By varying the reference voltage (R6), the output waveform is a variable width pulse, that drives Q1. R6 controls on/off ratio and therefore load power. R5 sets the offset of the triangle wave across C2.

## PROGRAMMABLE IDENTIFIER



**FOLLOWING JUMPERS REQUIRED:**

- PIN 4 OF 4020 TO PIN 6 OF 2716
- PIN 5 OF 4020 TO PIN 7 OF 2716
- PIN 7 OF 4020 TO GROUND
- PIN 10 OF 4020 TO PIN 4 OF 4011
- PIN 11 OF 4020 TO PIN 17 OF 2716
- PIN 9 OF 2716 TO PIN 9 OF 4011

- PIN 24 OF 2716 TO +5V
- PIN 12 OF 4020 TO PIN 3 OF 2716
- PIN 18-20 OF 2716 TO GROUND

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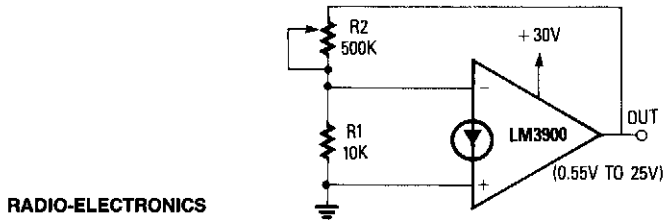
1. LOGIC LINE COULD BE USED TO DRIVER KEYS TRANSISTOR/RELAY SYSTEM.
2. CHANGE VALUE OF 0.1 CAP FOR OTHER KEYING SPEEDS (0.1 GIVES SLOW CW)
- 3\* IF USING A 2732, PIN 21 MUST GO TO GROUND INSTEAD OF +5V

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Fig. 52-9

Used on an amateur or experimental radio beacon, the above ID circuit will generate any callsign or message programmed into the EPROM. A CD4020 CMOS counter is driven by an RC clock circuit. This addresses the EPROM, and serial data is available at pin 9.

## VARIABLE-VOLTAGE REFERENCE SOURCE

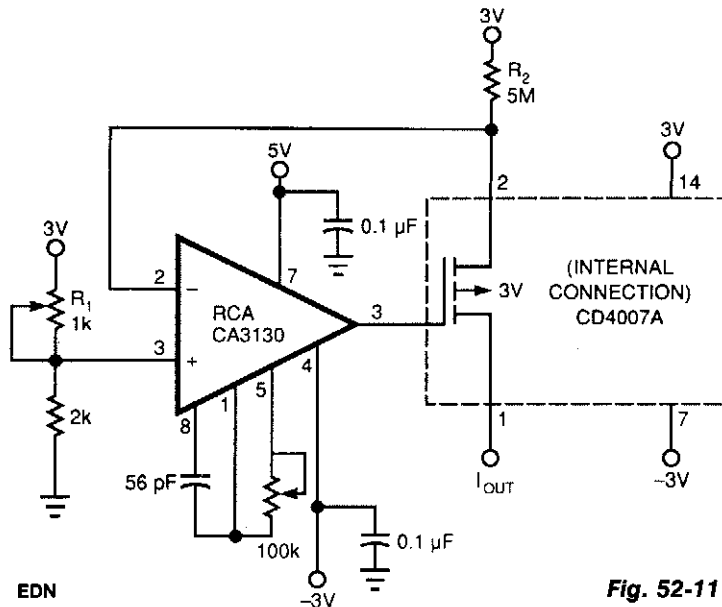


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Fig. 52-10

The noninverting terminal of the op amp is grounded, and the circuit uses the voltage at the inverting terminal as a reference. Its voltage gain is determined by the  $R_2/R_1$  ratio. When  $R_2$  is set at zero, the circuit has unity gain and a 0.55-V output. When  $R_2$  is set to the maximum value, the circuit has a gain of 50 and an output of about 25 V. The circuit provides good regulation and can supply output currents of several milliamps. The output voltage however, is not temperature compensated.

## 0-TO-200-nA CURRENT SOURCE

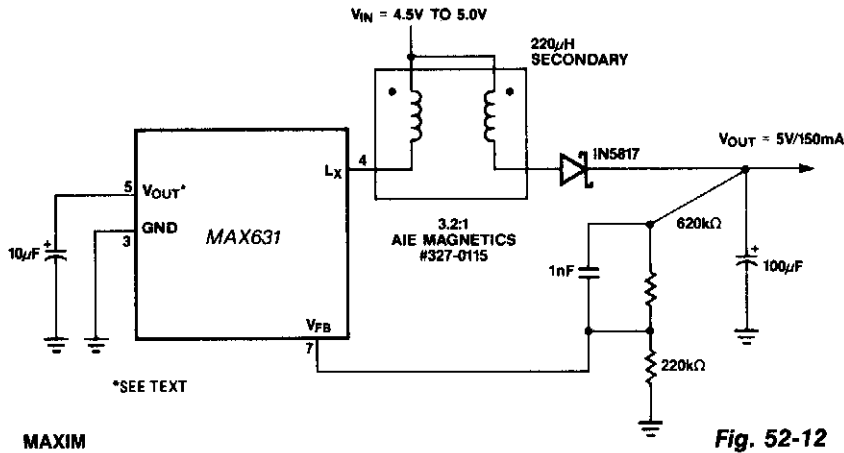


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Fig. 52-11

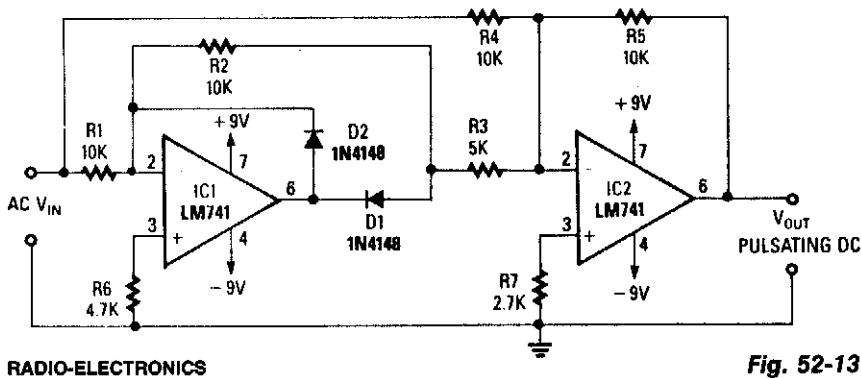
This circuit uses readily available parts to implement a 0-to-200-nA current source. The circuit borrows a PMOS transistor from the input stage of a DC4007A, which is easier to obtain than a discrete PMOS transistor. The CA3130 op amp operates as a follower so that its positive input sets the current that flows through  $R_2$ . The MOSFET input stage of this op amp exhibits low-input current. The op amp must be able to produce an output voltage high enough to turn the CD4007A's internal FET off. Thus, the op amp requires a positive supply voltage of 5 V. The circuit presents an output voltage from 0 to 3 V, and  $R_1$  controls the amount of output current.

## LONG-LINE $I_R$ DROP-VOLTAGE RECOVERY



This circuit provides a unique solution to a common system-level power distribution problem: When the supply voltage to a remote board must traverse a long cable, the voltage at the end of the line sometimes drops to unacceptable levels. This +5-V/+5-V converter addresses this by taking the reduced voltage at the end of the supply line and boosting it back to +5 V. This can be especially useful in remote display devices, such as some point-of-sale (POS) terminals, where several meters of cable could separate the terminal from the readout.

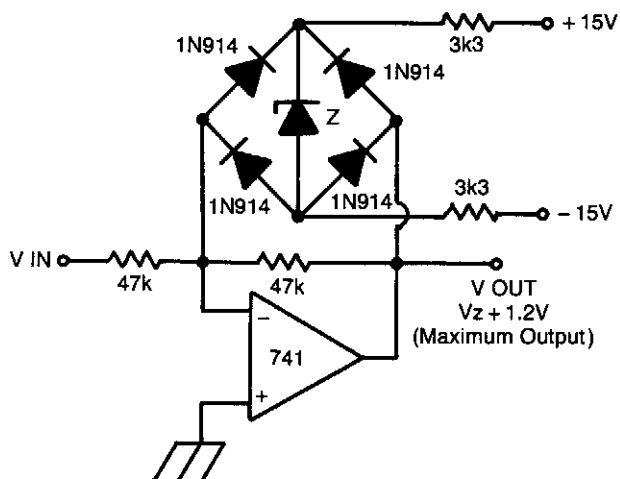
## PRECISION FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER



Using two op amps, this circuit produces a full-wave rectified version of the input signal. Op amp IC1 inverts the negative-going signal, but because of  $D2$ , it stays near zero. IC2 produces a positive-going signal. For positive-going signals, IC1 produces a negative output through  $D1$  to IC2, where it is combined with positive  $V_{IN}$  from  $R4/R5$ . At the summing junction of IC2, the negative output of IC1 is doubled and inverted via IC2,  $R3$ , and  $R5$  to produce  $+V_{OUT}$ . This is summed with negative output of IC1 to produce  $+V_{OUT}$ .

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## FAST SYMMETRICAL ZENER CLIPPER



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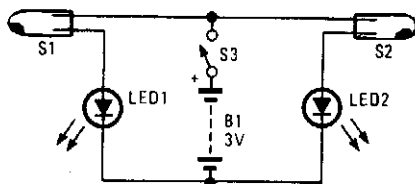
Fig. 52-14

The problem with using two zeners back to back in series to get symmetrical clamping is that the knee of the zener characteristics is rather sloppy. Also, charge storage in the zeners causes speed problems and the zeners will have slightly different knee voltages, so the symmetry will not be all that good. This circuit overcomes these problems.

By putting the zener inside a diode bridge, the same zener voltage is always experienced. The voltage errors caused by the diodes are much smaller than those caused by the zener. Also, the charge storage of the bridge is much less. By biasing the zener ON all the time, the knee appears to be much sharper.

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## ELECTRONIC LEVEL



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Fig. 52-15

An electronic level can be constructed using two mercury switches mounted on an absolutely flat board, along with the LEDs. If one LED lights, the surface is not level. If both light, the surface is level.



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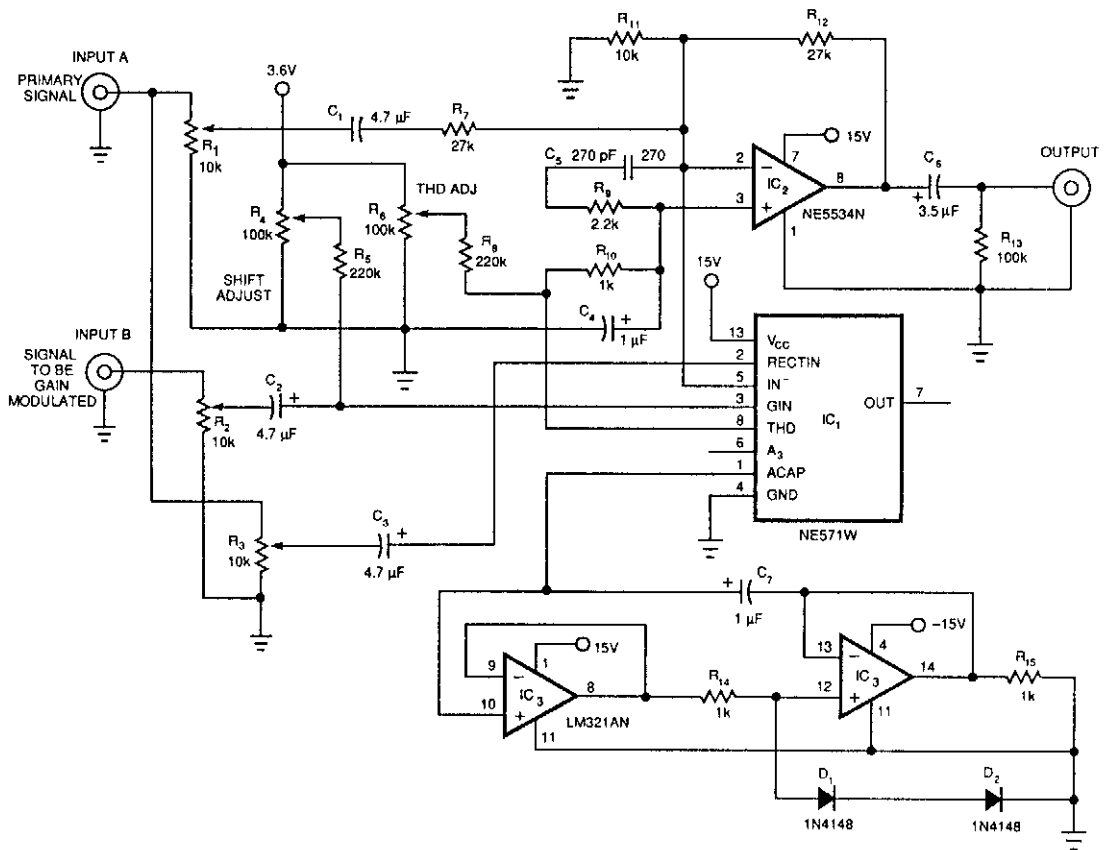
## Mixers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 671. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Dynamic Audio Mixer  
Stereo Mixer with Pan Controls  
4-Channel Mixer  
Digital Mixer  
4-Input Unity-Gain Mixer  
Audio Mixer  
Mixer Diplexer  
Simple Utility Mixer

## DYNAMIC AUDIO MIXER



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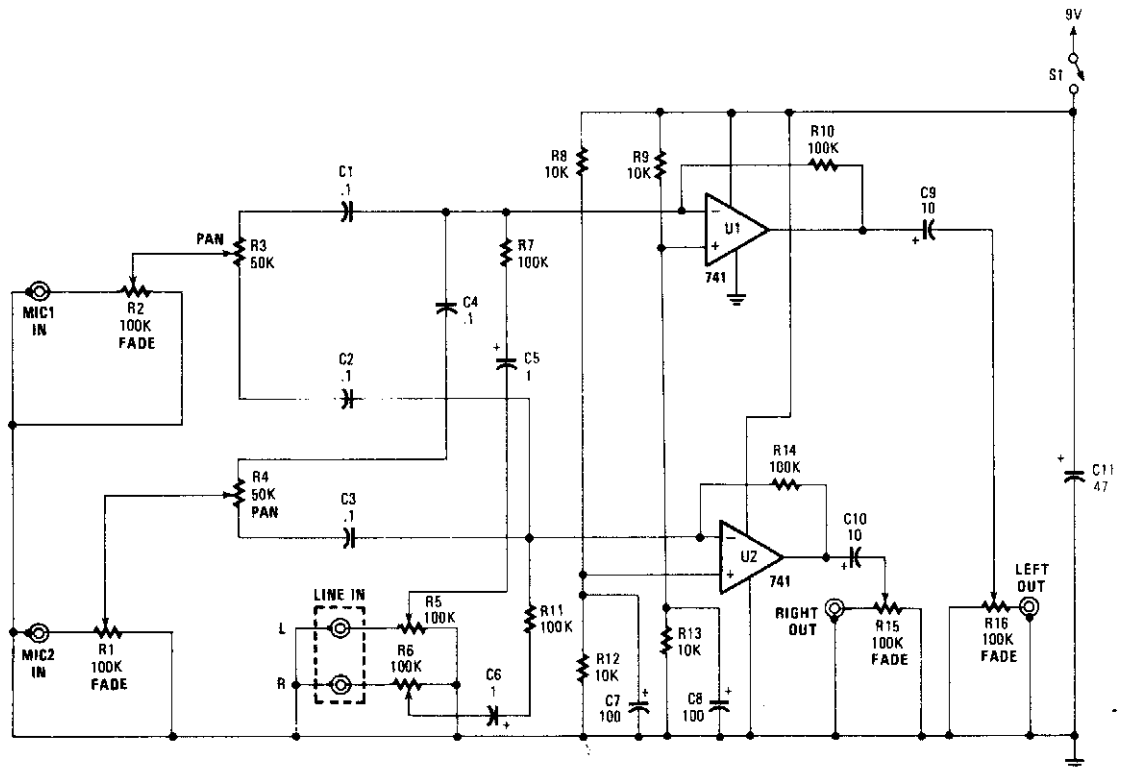
Fig. 53-1

The dynamic mixer combines two audio inputs by adding the primary signal, Input A, to a gain-controlled signal, Input B. The unusual aspect of this circuit is that the average voltage level of Input A controls the gain of Input B.

IC1 has the averaging function and many of the specialized gain blocks that the circuit requires. R1 sets the level of the primary input, Input A, to be passed to the output. R2 governs Input B's level to the modulator, while R3 sets the level of the modulating signal. IC1 can be either an NE571N or an NE570N. The average ac signal at pin 2 controls the amount of signal that shows up at IC1's output, pin 3.

The primary signal gets to IC2, an NE5534N low-noise op amp, via C1 and R7; the gain-modulated secondary signal arrives via pin 5 of IC1. IC2 sums the two signals. Potentiometers R4 and R6 make dc-offset and distortion adjustments, respectively. IC3, C7, R14, R15, D1, and D2 form a filter for IC1.

## STEREO MIXER WITH PAN CONTROLS

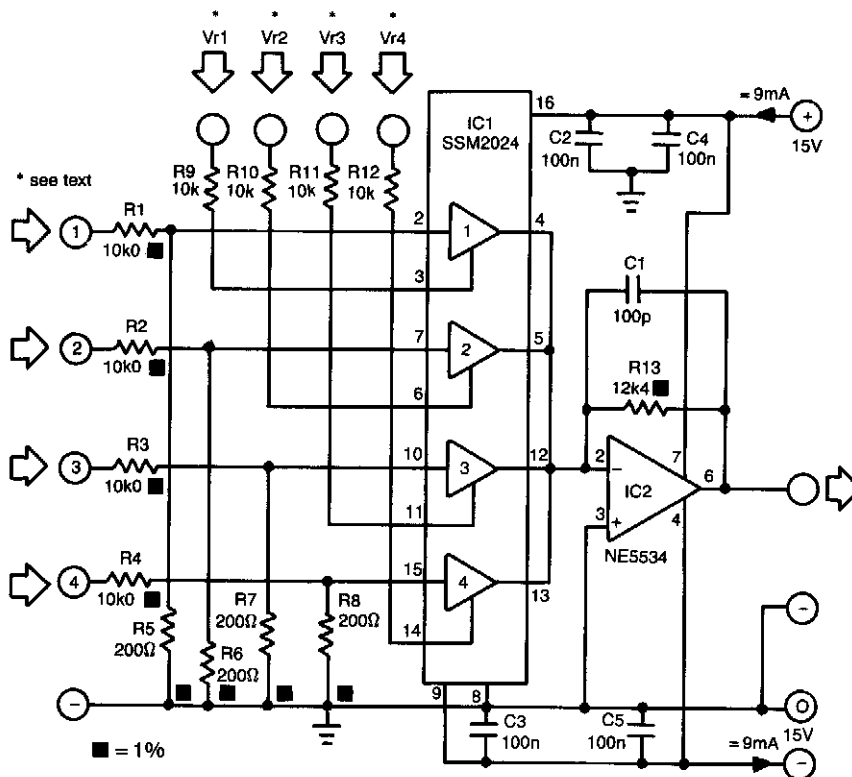


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**Fig. 53-2**

This stereo mixer has two mono mixers and a modification to the microphone inputs. When a microphone is in use, the microphone's output is fed to the microphone input of the circuit. The signal is then run into R1 and R2 (which are used as faders). The signal is then split into two different paths by resistors R3 and R4, with which it is possible to change the place of the microphone inputs within the stereo panorama. The stereo line inputs are for that purpose. Joining the microphone inputs with the output of some other source (such as a tape deck, turntable, etc.), all the signals are fed to the inverting input of an op amp. The output reaches the master-fade potentiometers, which control output level.

## 4-CHANNEL MIXER



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**Fig. 53-3**

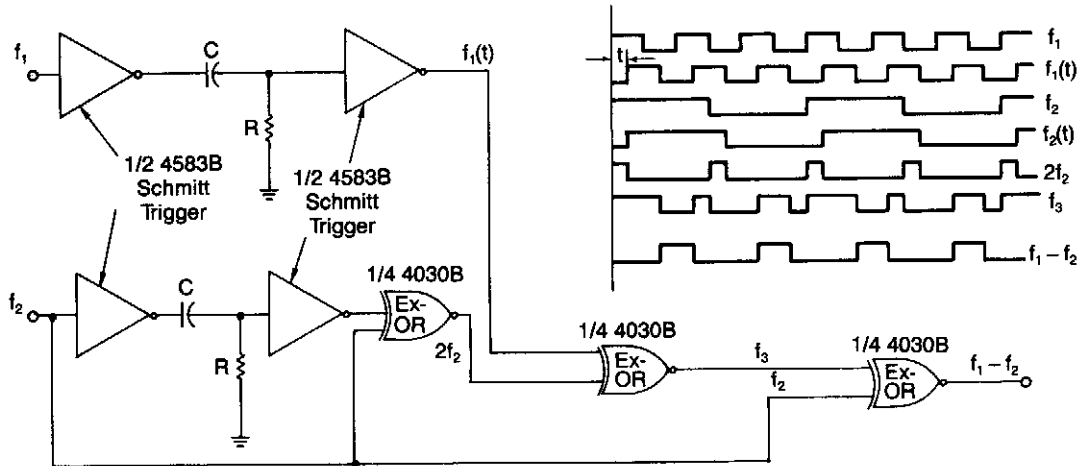
The proposed mixer is designed around four current-driven transconductance amplifiers contained in an SSM2024 from Precision Monolithics. To obtain a low offset and high control rejection, the four inputs should have an impedance to earth of about 200  $\Omega$ . These impedances are obtained from resistors R5 through R8, which also form part of a potential divider at each input.

With the values in the diagram, the nominal input signal is 1 V (0 dBV). Distortion at that level is about 1%; at lower levels, it is not more than 0.3%.

The amplification of the current-driven amplifiers (CDAs) is determined by the current fed into the control inputs. These inputs form a virtual earth so that calculating the values of the bias resistors (to transform the inputs into voltage-driven inputs) is fairly simple.

The output currents of the amplifier are summed by simply linking the output pins. The current-to-voltage converter, IC2, translates the combined output currents into an output voltage. The value of R13 ensures that the amplification of IC2 is unity.

## DIGITAL MIXER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

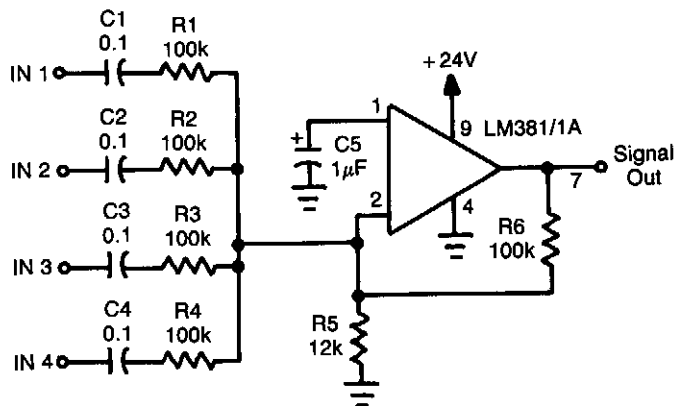
Fig. 53-4

A simple digital mixer, based on two dual-Schmitt triggers (4583B) and three exclusive-OR gates, uses an RC time-delay circuit to permit easy adjustment of the output-signal pulse width. The exclusive-OR gates can also be used separately as a symmetrical frequency doubler.

As shown, a signal passing through the Schmitt triggers is delayed by  $t$ , a value equal to  $RC \ln(V_{tp}/V_{in})$ , where  $V_{tp}$  and  $V_{in}$  are the positive and negative threshold voltages of the triggers.

To function properly, the same time delay must be introduced to signals  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ . Also, the time delay must be less than 50% of the period of  $f_1$ . Provided that  $f_1$  is more than twice the value of  $f_2$ , the output of the circuit will equal the difference of the two signals (i.e.,  $f_1 - f_2$ ).

## 4-INPUT UNITY-GAIN MIXER

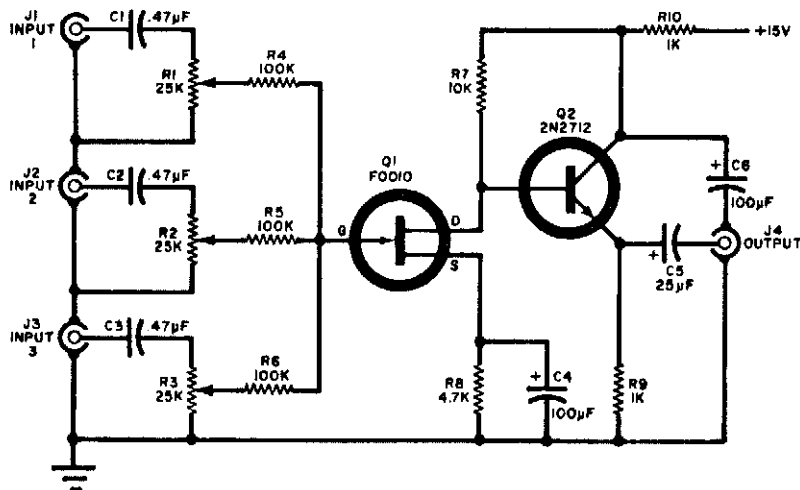


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Fig. 53-5

An LM381/1A is used as a four-input unity-gain audio mixer. Gain can be increased by decreasing  $R_1$  through  $R_4$  or increasing  $R_6$ .

## AUDIO MIXER

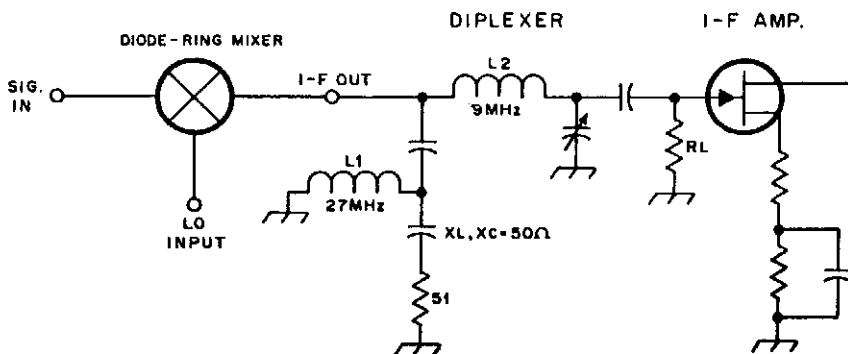


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Fig. 53-6

Three audio circuits are combined in the circuit shown. Each input is coupled to its own level potentiometer (R1, R2, or R3) and they are combined at the gate of FET Q1. The output of Q1 is coupled to the external audio amplifier through emitter-follower Q2 and capacitor C6.

## MIXER DIPLEXER



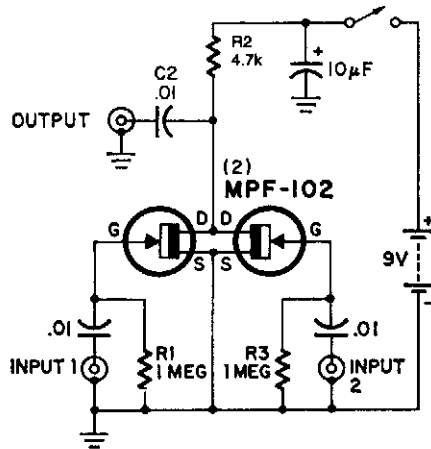
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Fig. 53-7

By inserting a high-pass filter section in the IF lead, this mixer is terminated at all frequencies, besides the IF, for other mixer products, which results in improved IMD. In this example, high-pass filter section L1 and capacitors cut off below 28 MHz. Above this frequency, the mixer is terminated.

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## SIMPLE UTILITY MIXER



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Fig. 53-8

Here's an interesting mixer circuit. With it you can effectively combine signals from audio to high-frequency RF. Also, as a special bonus, this circuit will provide some gain at a low noise figure. The inputs can be of almost any level or impedance, and the output (low-Z) will drive most tuned circuits or transistors.

Basically, the device consists of two similar FET amplifier stages with a common load resistor (R<sub>2</sub>). Each FET develops a signal across this resistor, a form of cancellation occurs, and a difference signal results.

If you want less gain, try reducing R<sub>2</sub> to 2 200-Ω. This modification will not affect the mixing ability.

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## Model and Hobby Circuits

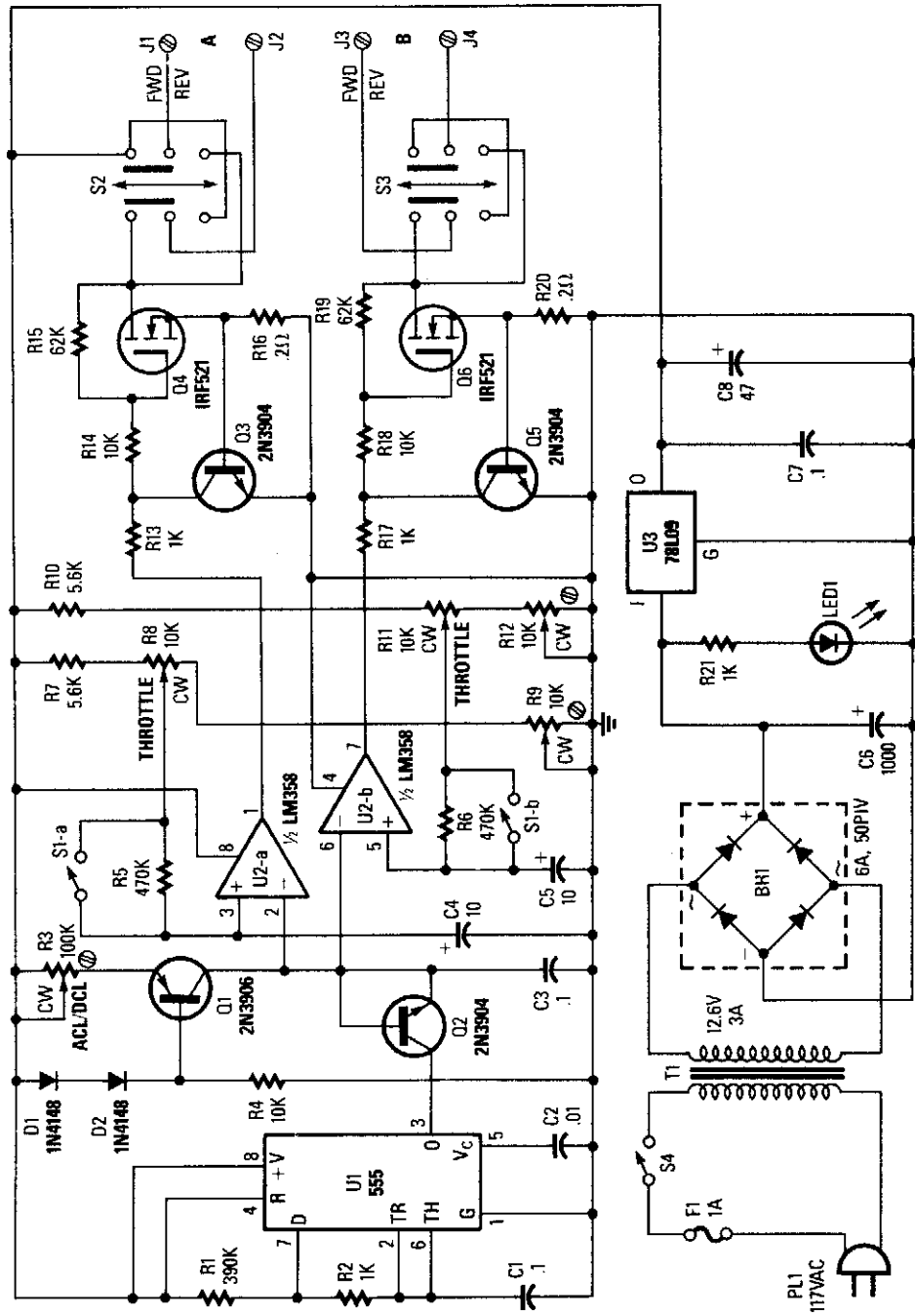
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 671. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Model Train and Slot-Car Controller  
Model Train Throttle Control



MODEL TRAIN AND SLOT-CAR CONTROLLER



As shown, a 555 timer (U1) is configured as an astable multivibrator (oscillator) with a 400:1 duty cycle and a frequency of 40 Hz.

When power is applied to the circuit, capacitor C1 (connected to pin 6 of U1) is discharged and the output of the 555 (which is used to sink current) is low. Capacitor C1 begins to charge via R1 and R2 toward the positive supply rail. When the charge on C1 reaches about 66% of +V, the output of U1 at pin 3 goes high.

At that point, C1 begins to discharge through R2. When the charge on C1 decreases to about 33% of the supply voltage, the output of U1 returns to the low state, and the cycle is repeated until power is removed from the circuit.

When the output of U1 is low, C3 is discharged into U1 via transistor Q2. When U1 pin 3 goes high, C3 charges through a current source that consists of D1, D2, R3, R4, and Q1. The charge/discharge cycling of C3 produces a stream of pulses that are fed to the inverting inputs of U2A and U2B (an LM358 dual op amp). Two voltage-divider networks (R7, R8, R9, and R10, R11, R12) set the reference voltage that is applied to the noninverting inputs of U1A and U1B at pins 3 and 5.

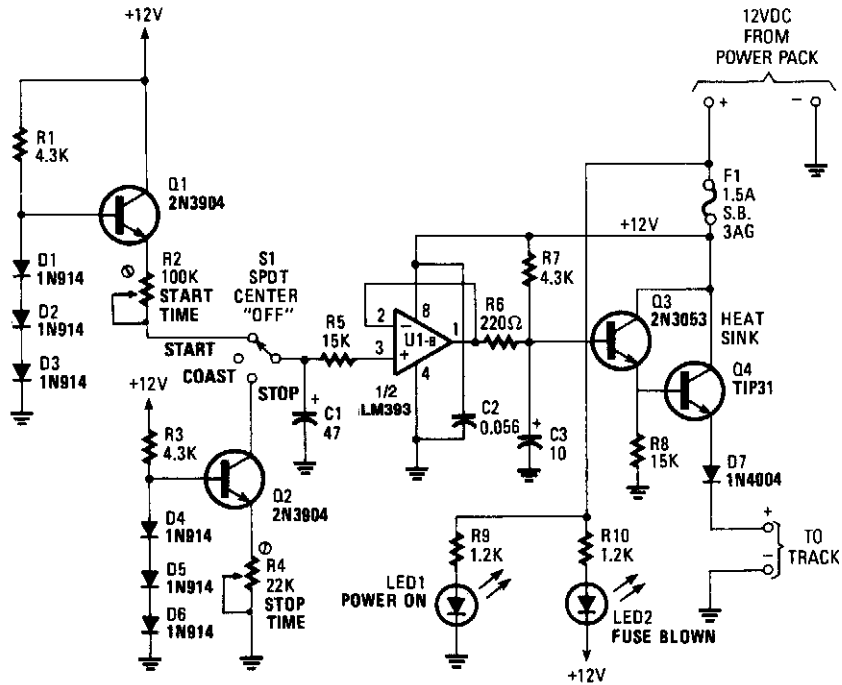
Potentiometers R9 and R12 set the low-level duty cycle (5 to 10%) of U1A and U1B. They are adjusted so that the train headlights glow, but the motor hums only slightly. Potentiometer R3 adjusts the ramp rate of C3 for 100% duty cycle at the full throttle setting. A double-pole, single-throw switch (S1A and S1B) is used to place R3/C4 and R4/C5 in the circuit.

The R5/C4 and R6/C5 combinations cause the reference voltages presented to the noninverting inputs to U2A and U2B to change very slowly when the throttle is turned up and down. When the ACL/DCL switch is turned off, the resistance of the throttle-divider networks are much smaller than those of R5 and R6, so the reference voltages on C4/C5 change "instantly" to the new throttle setting.

The output drivers consist of resistors R13 and R15, and transistors Q3 and Q4 for output "A"; and resistors R17 to R20, and transistors Q5 and Q6 for output "B." Components R13/R16/Q3 and R17/R20/Q5 limit the output drive currents of Q4 and Q6 to about 3 A each. Resistors R14/R15 and R18/R19 turn on Q4 and Q5, respectively, before the breaker voltage is reached to prevent damage to the output drivers and dissipate the energy that is stored in an inductive field (such as in a motor).

The power supply delivers 18 V to the track. Voltage regulator U3 (a 78L09 9-V, 100-mA voltage regulator) supplies power to the control circuits.

## MODEL TRAIN THROTTLE CONTROL



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Fig. 54-2

What makes this control unique is its momentum feature, which adds a degree of realism. The circuit will operate well for trains that draw up to 1 A at 15 V. None of the components are critical.

In the start mode, current source Q1 charges capacitor C1. The charge current and start-up time are adjusted by resistor R2. In the stop mode, current-sink Q2 discharges capacitor C1. The discharge current and stop time are set by resistor R4. In the coast mode, op amp U1 draws very little current from C1, so the speed will remain nearly constant for some time, and then gradually decrease. Transistors Q3 and Q4 form a Darlington emitter-follower to amplify the output of U1. Diode D7 reduces the output by about 0.8 V. Another diode could be added in series to decrease the output to 0 in the stop mode.

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## Motion and Proximity Detectors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 671. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sensitive Low-Current-Drain Motion Detector  
Acoustic Doppler Motion Detector  
UHF Motion Detector  
IR Reflection Proximity Switch  
Relay Output Proximity Sensor  
Proximity Detector



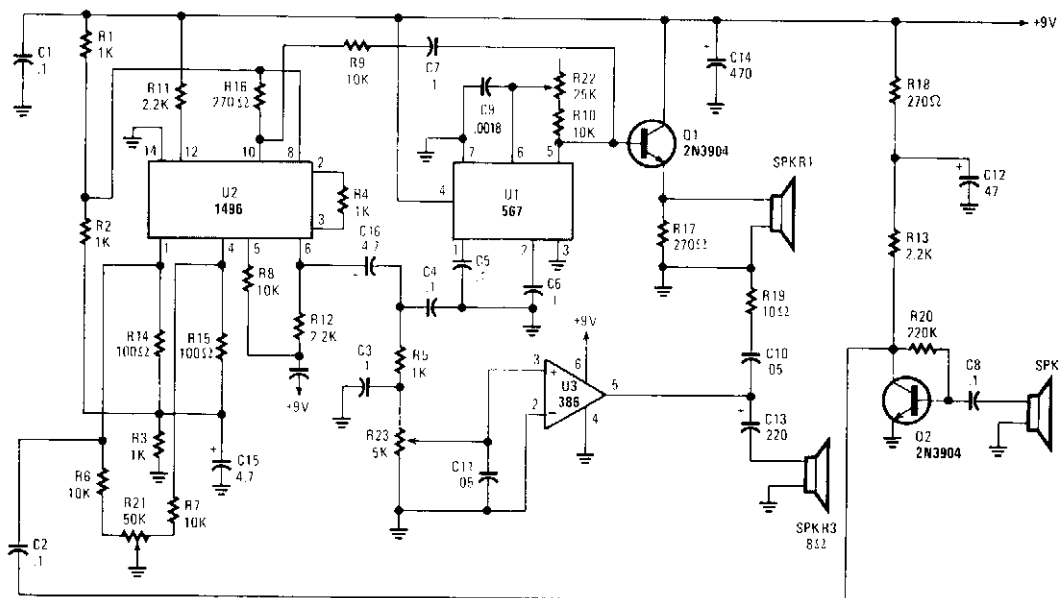
## SENSITIVE LOW-CURRENT-DRAIN MOTION DETECTOR (Cont.)

fier, passed on by C4, reach a level of 0.6 V. Saturating T4 leads to the instant charging of C5. This capacitor will discharge partly via R10 and R11 to the base of T5 when T4 switches off again. When C5 discharges, T5 is on, which will make T6 conduct. This in turn will actuate a load, for instance, a buzzer, in the collector circuit of T6.

The sensitivity of the detector depends to a large extent on the distance between the magnet and relay and the length of the "pendulum."

If the circuit is powered by a battery, there is a little problem: batteries have large internal resistances. Thus, a supply voltage can vary by some tenths of a volt if a sudden, large current is drawn. If the buzzer has stopped after a detection, such a situation can retrigger the circuit and cause undesired oscillations. To prevent this happening, the supply of the amplifier stage is decoupled by R3 and C6.

## ACOUSTIC DOPPLER MOTION DETECTOR

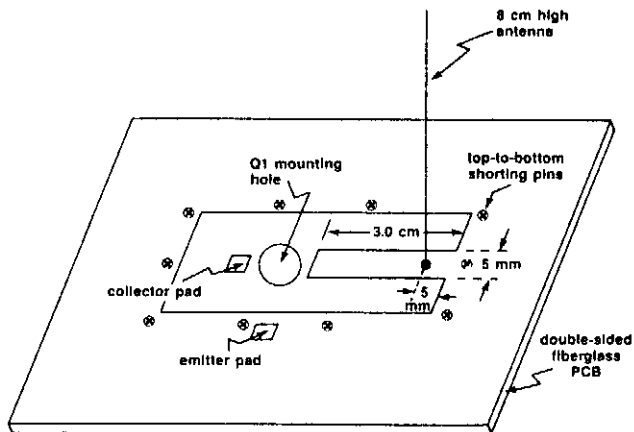


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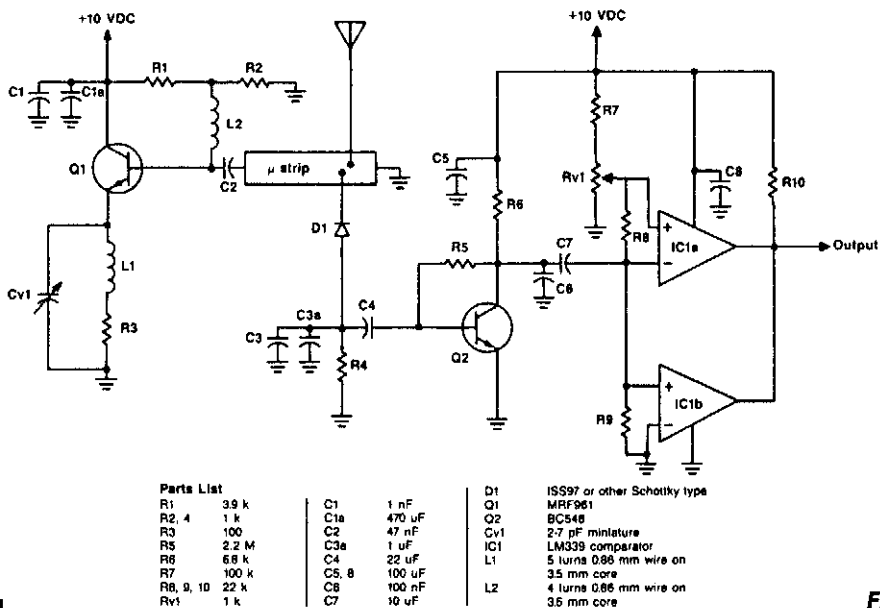
Fig. 55-2

A high-frequency audio signal (15 to 25 kHz) generated by U1 is fed to buffer Q1 and SPKR1. A portion is fed to balanced mixer U2. Received audio picked up by SPKR2 (used as a microphone) is amplified by Q2 and fed to U2. When sound is reflected from a moving object, the Doppler effect will cause an apparent shift in frequency. U2 produces a signal equal to the frequency difference. This is coupled via C16 and gain control R23 to amplifier U3, where the beat note is heard in SPKR3.

## UHF MOTION DETECTOR



Construction layout.



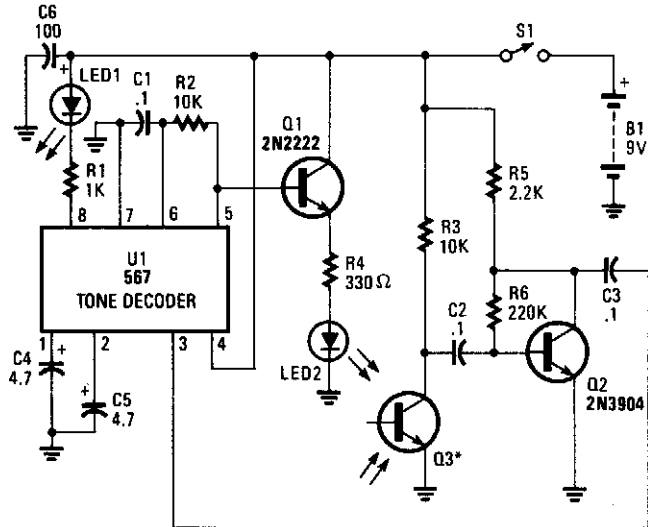
Circuit diagram.

Fig. 55-3

The UHF motion detector operates on the Doppler radar principle. Q1 is an oscillator that creates a radiated signal. An object in the radiated field reflects some of this energy back to the detector. If the object is moving, the reflected signal will have a different frequency because of Doppler shift.

Q1 is an oscillator coupled to a small (8-cm) antenna. This antenna also receives the reflected signal. D1 acts as a mixer and produces a beat note of frequency that is equal to the difference in reflected and radiated signal. Q2 amplifies this signal and couples it to comparator/detector IC1A and IC1B. The output can continue on to an alarm, relay, lamp, etc.

## IR REFLECTION PROXIMITY SWITCH

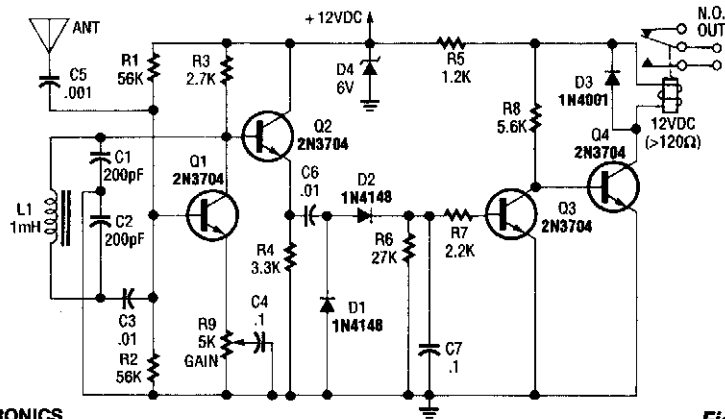


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Fig. 55-4

IR radiation from LED2 (modulated by a 1-kHz wave) is keyed by U1, and Q1 is radiated. Reflected IR energy is picked up by Q3, and the audio signal from Q3 is amplified by Q2 and sent to the decoder. The LED1 lights to indicate presence of reflected IR. LED1 can be the input of an isolator so that a triac or SCR can be controlled.

## RELAY OUTPUT PROXIMITY SENSOR



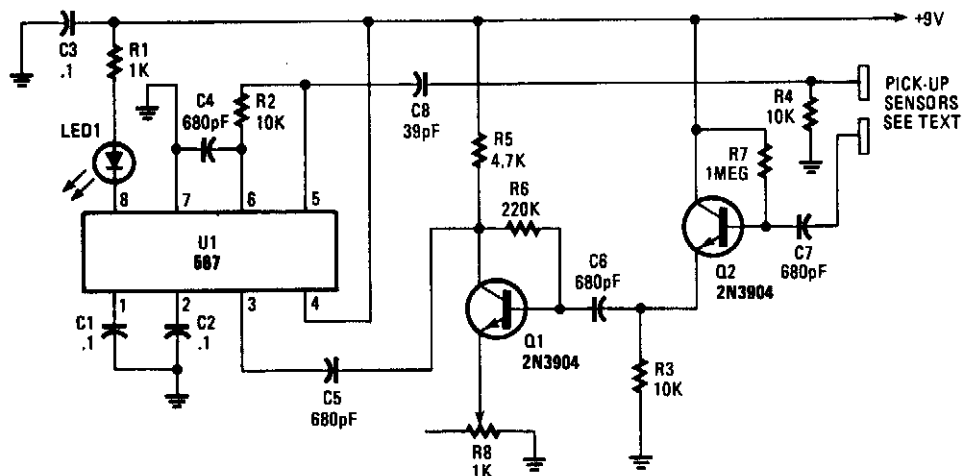
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Fig. 55-5

Q1 is used as an oscillator around 300 kHz. R9 is set so that the oscillator just begins to run. An object near the antenna will load the circuit down, and stop the oscillations. This is detected by buffer Q2, diodes D1 and D2, and this activates relay driver Q4, which operates the relay.



## PROXIMITY DETECTOR



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Fig. 55-6

In this proximity detector an NE567 tone decoder provides a signal of about 100 kHz that is fed to one sensor. The sensors are copper or aluminum wires or plates, or any other suitable conductive material. When another object is near the sensors, it causes an increase in capacitance between the sensors. Q1 and Q2 amplify the signal and feed it to U1. Notice that C8 and R4 phase shift the VCO signal from the NE567 so that U1 can detect its own output signal.

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## Motor Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 672. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Mini-Drill Control
- Tachometerless Motor Speed Control
- Half-Step Drive Stepper Motor
- Quarter-Step Stepper Motor Driver
- Stepper Motor Speed and Direction Controller
- Compressor Protector
- dc Motor-Speed Control
- Cassette Motor Speed Calibrator



## TACHOMETERLESS MOTOR SPEED CONTROL

This provides bidirectional speed regulation for small motors and requires no tachometer. The voltage that summing amplifier IC1A applies to the motor's windings equals:

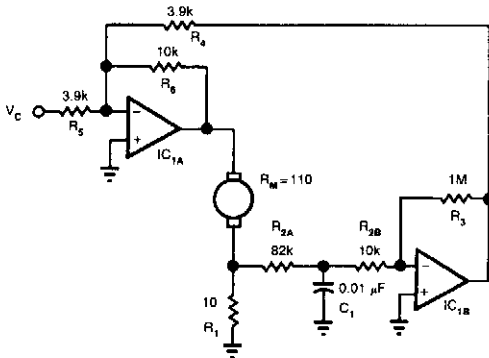
$$\left( V_C + R_1 \left( \frac{R_3}{R_{2A} + R_{2B}} \right) \right) I_M \left( \frac{R_6}{R_5} \right)$$

where  $V_C$  is the command voltage and  $I_M$  is the motor current.

If you set the motor's winding resistance and brush resistance ( $R_M$ ) equal to:

$$R_1 \left( \frac{R_3}{R_{2A} + R_{2B}} \right)$$

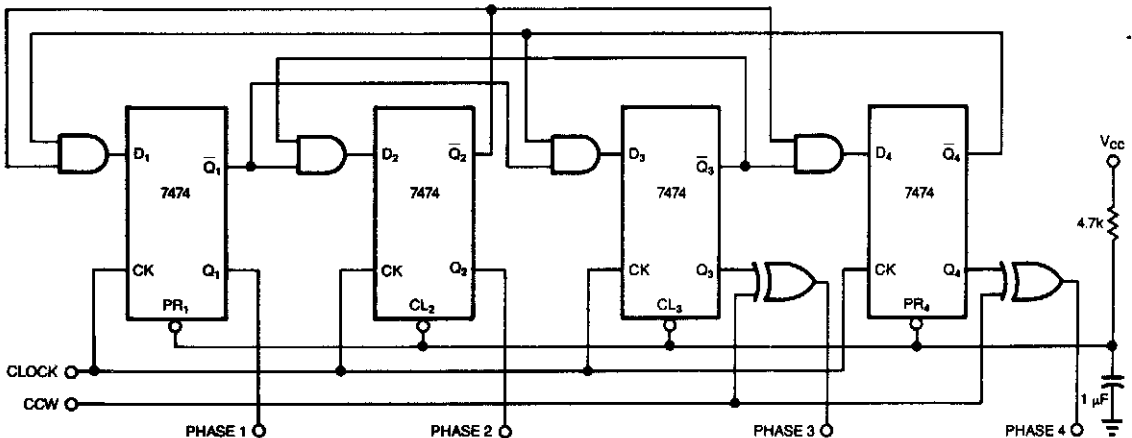
the command voltage will be proportional to the motor winding's counter emf. C1 provides compensation. Set R1's value so that it equals 5 to 10% of  $R_M$ 's value. You can generally find  $R_M$ 's value in a motor's spec sheet.



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Fig. 56-2

## HALF-STEP DRIVE STEPPER MOTOR

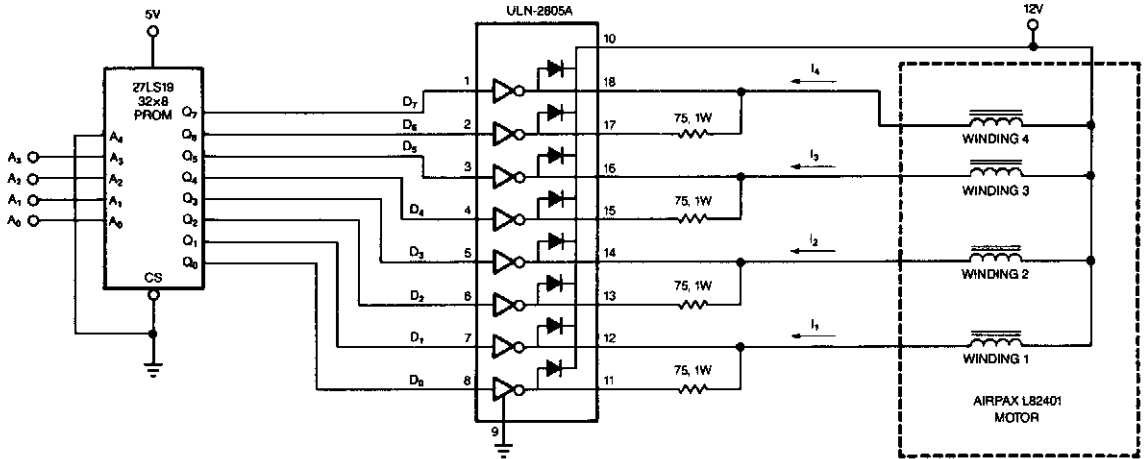


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Fig. 56-3

Clock pulses are converted to the switching sequence necessary for a four-phase stepper through 400 half steps of  $0.9^\circ$  each.

## QUARTER-STEP STEPPER MOTOR DRIVER

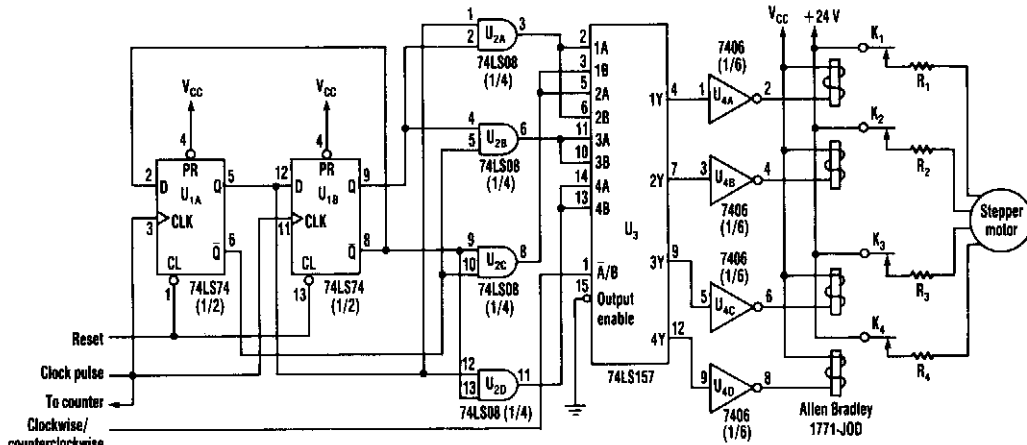


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Fig. 56-4

Using a counter and a PROM, this circuit drives the stepper windings with two levels of current.

## STEPPER MOTOR SPEED AND DIRECTION CONTROLLER

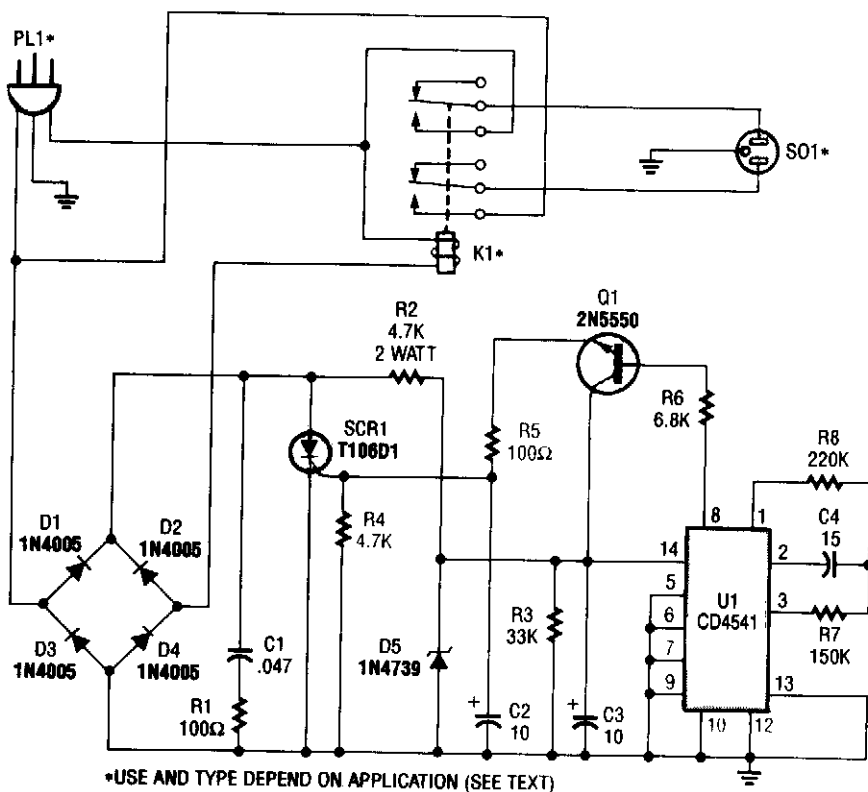


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Fig. 56-5

This new circuit uses four chips, with an option of using just three (the flip-flops and AND gates can be combined). The rate of clock pulses determines the motor's rpm. Switching transistors can replace the relays to increase the circuit's efficiency. This circuit drives a stepper motor whose speed depends on clock rate. Standard SS1 LSTTL chips are used. Switching transistors can be used in place of the solid-state relays to improve the circuit's efficiency.

## COMPRESSOR PROTECTOR



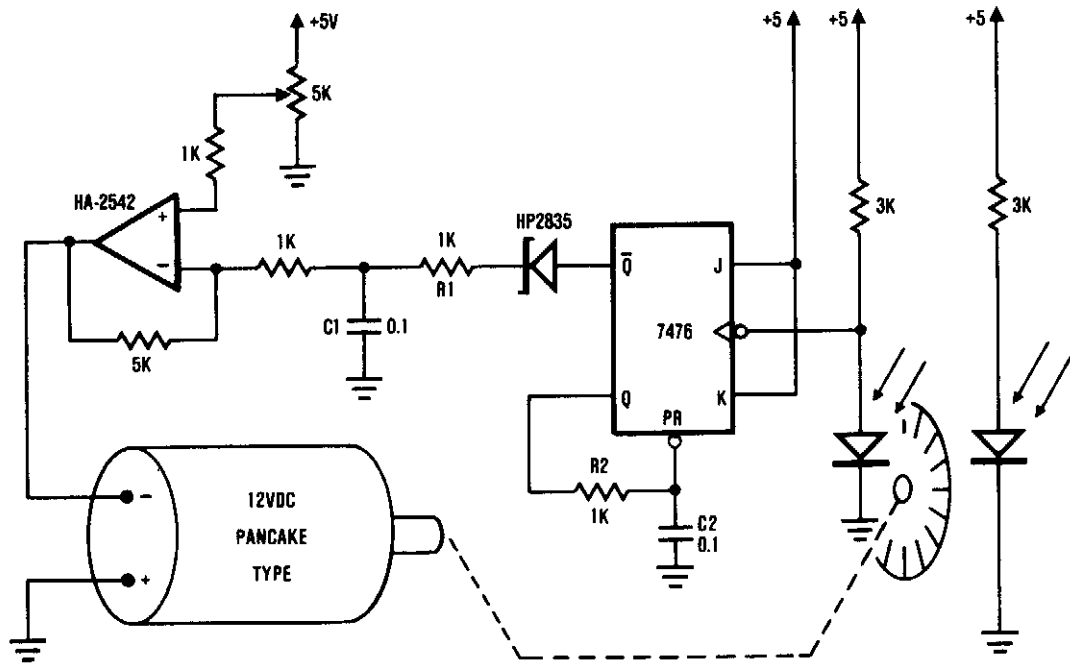
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Fig. 56-6

This circuit monitors the power-line (ac) voltage. When a power failure occurs, on restoration of power, the circuit adds a five-minute delay before energizing K1, which protects the compressor against limited low voltage.

U1 is a 16-stage counter with an integral oscillator that is set to divide by 8192. R7, R8, and C4 set the oscillator frequency to about 25 Hz, which produces a total count interval of 300 seconds (5 minutes). After this time, pin 8 U1 goes high, which forward biases Q1, triggers SCR1, and activates K1. Up to 30 A can be switched.

## dc MOTOR-SPEED CONTROL



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Fig. 56-7

The system shown consists of the HA-2542, a small 12-Vdc motor, and a position encoder. During operation, the encoder causes a series of "constant-width" pulses to charge C1. The integrated pulses develop a reference voltage, which is proportional to motor speed and is applied to the inverting input of HA-2542. The noninverting input is held at a constant voltage, which represents the desired motor speed. A difference between these two inputs will send a corrected drive signal to the motor, which completes the speed control system loop.





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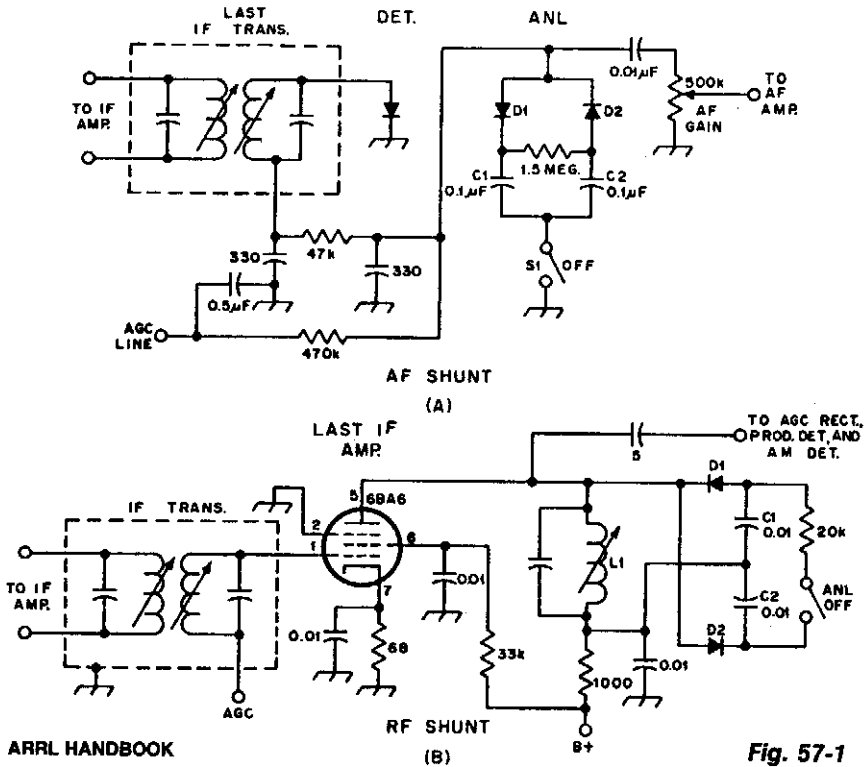
## Noise-Reduction Circuits

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Audio Shunt Noise Limiter  
Simple Audio Clipper/Limiter  
Noise Blanker

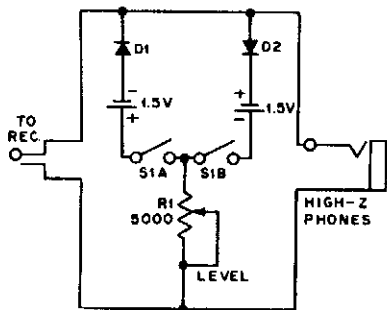
## AUDIO SHUNT NOISE LIMITER



**Fig. 57-1**

Examples of RF and audio ANL circuits. Positive and negative clipping occurs in both circuits. The circuit at A is self-adjusting. This noise limiter operates at the IF output. It is self-adjusting. Adequate gain is needed at the IF frequency so that several volts p-p of audio is available.

## SIMPLE AUDIO CLIPPER/LIMITER

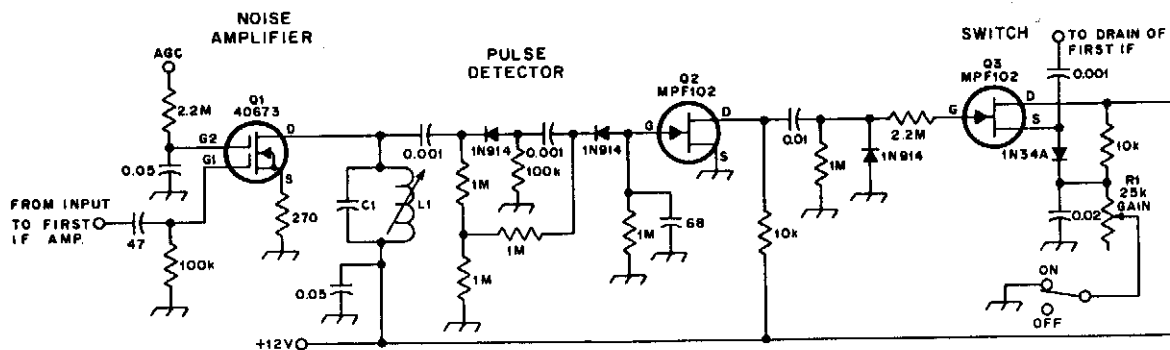


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**Fig. 57-2**

For use with headphones, this circuit sets the audio clipping level via a 5-k $\Omega$  pot. This type of noise clipper works best for pulse-type noise of low duty cycle, such as ignition noise. R1 sets the bias on the diodes for the desired limiting level.

## NOISE BLANKER



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Fig. 57-3

This noise blander takes a sample of IF input voltage, amplifies it, and drives a switch. The switch (when activated by a noise pulse) adds a heavy load to the first IF stage and kills the gain for the pulse duration.

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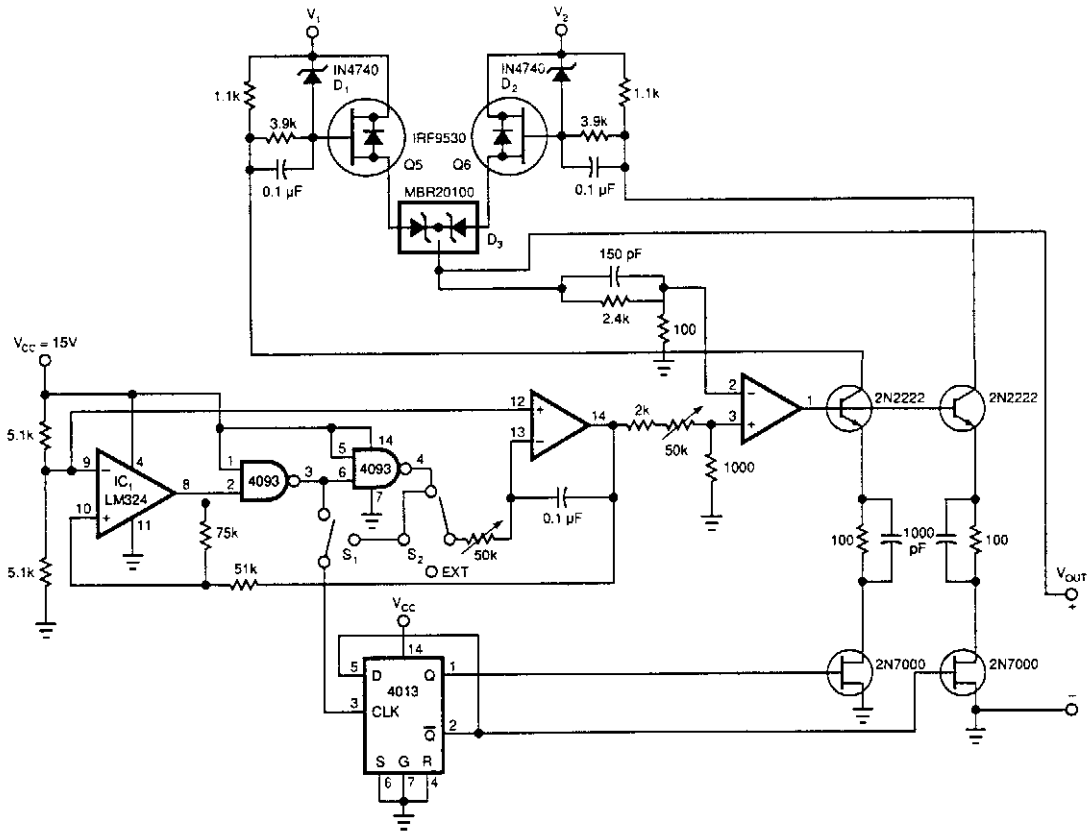
## Operational-Amplifier Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 672. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Efficient Power Booster
- Op Amp Regulator
- Increased Feedback-Stabilized Amplifier
- Gain-Controlled Op Amp
- Bidirectional Compound Op Amp
- Compound Op Amp VCO Driver
- Make LM324 Op Amp Swing Rail-to-Rail
- 3-Input AND Gate Comparator
- Programmable Inverter/Rectifier
- Compound Op Amp

## EFFICIENT POWER BOOSTER



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**Fig. 58-1**

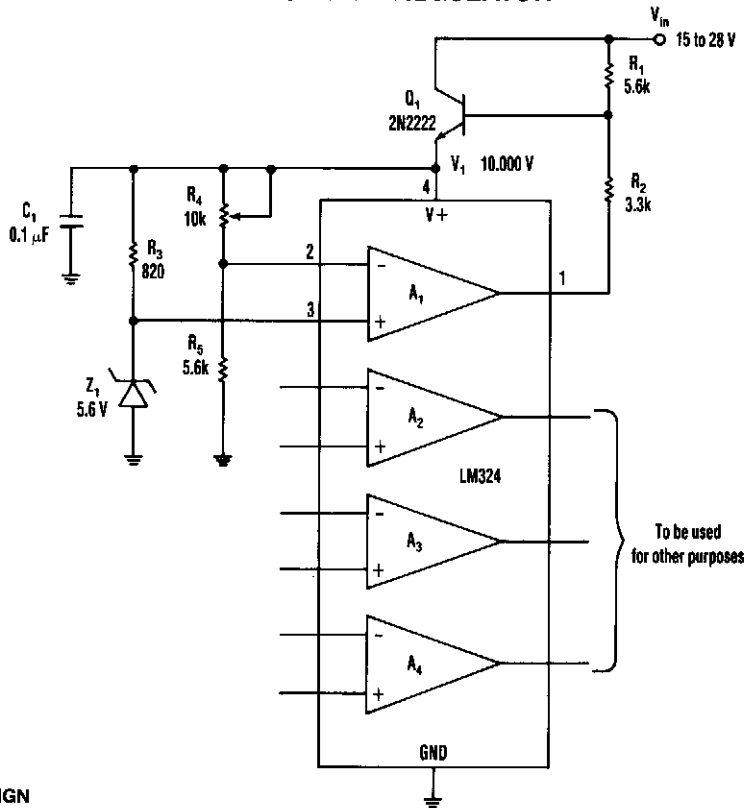
This power booster functions as a high-efficiency "power multiplexer" or, if you supply an external signal-source, as a high-power linear amplifier.

If you want to drive a load with a high-power square wave, the circuit simply draws power from two external power sources, V1 and V2, alternately. In this mode, the circuit's power-handling devices function as switches, dissipating minimal power. The RC time constant of the integrator, IC1, determines the circuit's oscillation period.

If you supply an external drive waveform, the circuit functions as a linear amplifier, and, consequently, inherently dissipates varying portions of that power. The power amplifier is stable for gains  $\geq 15$ .

Diodes D1 and D2 limit the FET's gate-voltage swing to less than 15 V. D3 is a dual Schottky diode that protects the FETs from short circuits between the two supplies, V1 and V2, through a FET's parasitic diode. With D3 in place, you can choose either power channel for the higher voltage input. To drive the FETs, Q5 and Q6, at switching frequencies greater than 1 kHz, you will have to use gate drivers for them.

## OP AMP REGULATOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 58-2

This op amp offers a straightforward method of developing a single-polarity stable voltage source (see the figure). Transistor Q1 gets a base drive through resistor R1, and conducts to develop a voltage ( $V_1$ ) across the IC's supply pins. Amp A1, R2, and Q1 form a positive-feedback closed loop, along with R3 and the zener diode. A1, R2, and Q1 also form a negative-feedback closed loop with R4 and R5.

The effect of positive feedback is predominant as the noninverting input receives  $V_1$  while the inverting input receives only:

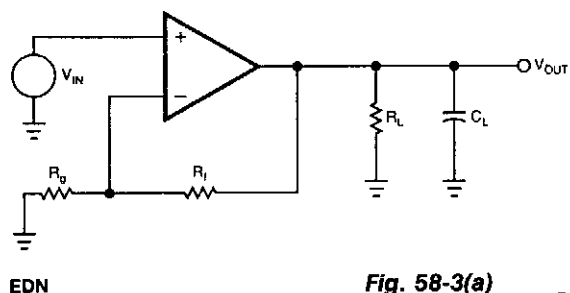
$$V_1 \times \frac{R_5}{R_4 + R_5}$$

This happens until the zener comes into play. When the voltage at the inverting input exceeds the voltage at the noninverting input, A1's output takes away Q1's base current through R2, which reduces  $V_1$ . Hence, an equilibrium condition is reached. Now:

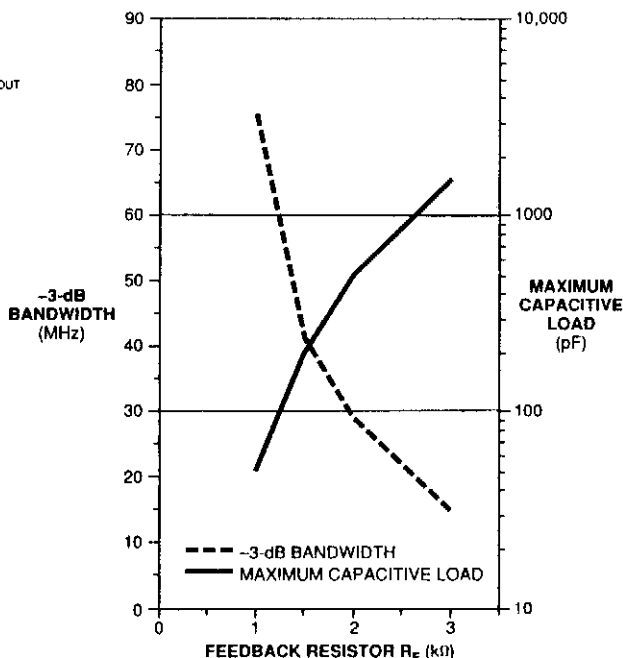
$$V_1 = \frac{V_Z(R_4 + R_5)}{R_5}$$

This circuit can source more than 30 mA.

## INCREASED FEEDBACK-STABILIZED AMPLIFIER



**Fig. 58-3(a)**



**Fig. 58-3(b)**

The usual method for using a current-feedback amplifier to drive a capacitive load isolates the load with a resistor in series with the amplifier's output.

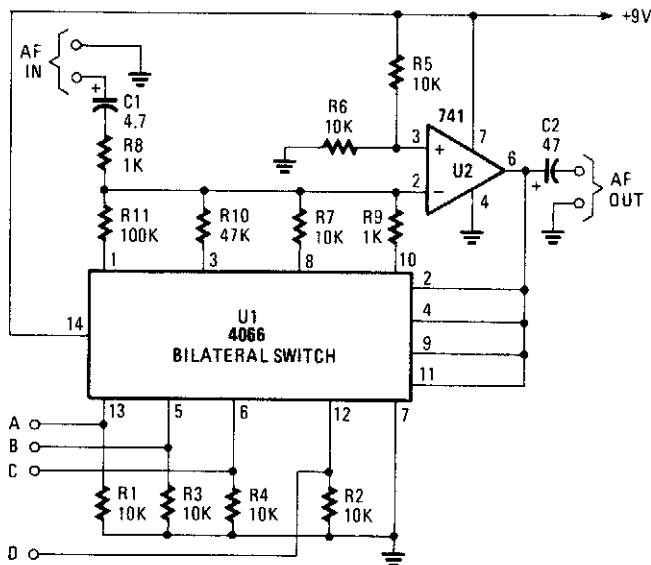
A better solution involves only the amplifier's feedback resistors (Fig. 58-3(a)). Because the feedback resistors determine the amplifier's compensation, you can select the optimal value for these feedback resistors for almost any capacitive load.

Feedback resistance  $R_F$  sets the amplifier's bandwidth. Increasing  $R_F$  reduces the amplifier's bandwidth, which significantly improves the amplifier's ability to drive capacitive loads. Feedback resistor  $R_G$  sets the amplifier's gain.

You cannot get the data necessary to calculate alternate values for  $R_F$  from most data sheets. However, a few minutes at the bench with a network analyzer will generate the data to make a graph of the value of the feedback resistor vs. the amount of capacitive load the amplifier can drive (Fig. 58-3(b)).

Start with the recommended data-sheet value for feedback resistor  $R_F$  and measure the amplifier's frequency response without any capacitive load. Note the bandwidth, then add capacitive loading until the response peaks by about 5 dB. Record this value of capacitance; it is the maximum amount for that feedback resistor. Then, increase the value of the feedback resistor and repeat the procedure until you develop a graph like the one in Fig. 58-3(b).

### GAIN-CONTROLLED OP AMP

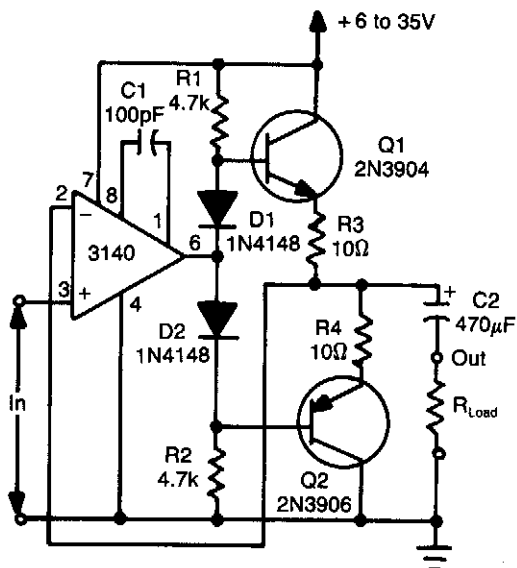


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-4

The gain controller uses a 4066 quad bilateral switch to electronically select a feedback resistor for the 741 op amp. One or more switches can be turned on at the same time to produce a stepped, variable-gain range from less than 1 to 100.

### BIDIRECTIONAL COMPOUND OP AMP



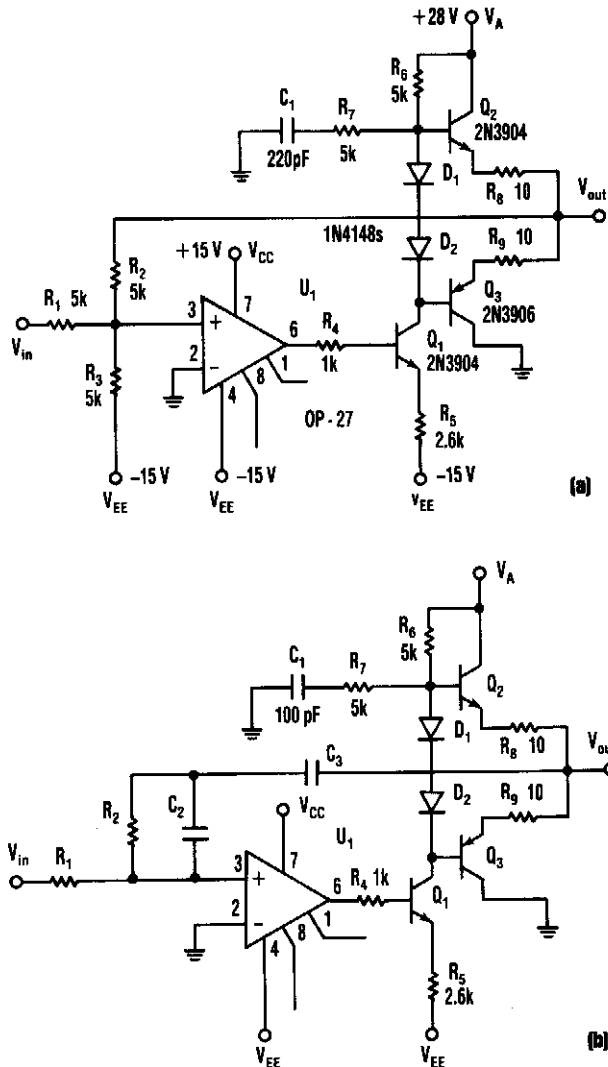
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-5

Using two transistors (Q1 and Q2), a bidirectional op amp can source or sink up to 50 mA. D1 and D2 provide bias for Q1 to eliminate "dead-zone" effects.



## COMPOUND OP AMP VCO DRIVER

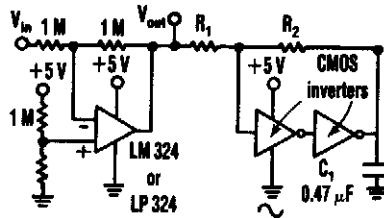


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 58-6

This circuit produces 5- to 25-V output to drive a VCO from a standard ±15-V supply system. R<sub>7</sub> and C<sub>1</sub> supply frequency compensation. Q<sub>1</sub> through Q<sub>3</sub> form an inverting amplifier with a gain of two. Negative feedback through R<sub>2</sub> closes the loop. This circuit can act as an active load-log filter and directly drive a voltage-controlled oscillator.

## MAKE LM324 OP AMP SWING RAIL-TO-RAIL



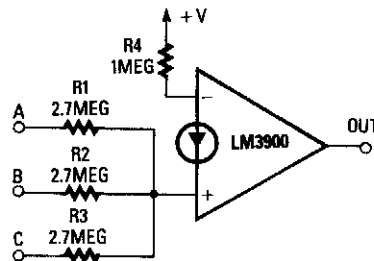
|        |                 | TYPICAL OUTPUT SWING |         |         |              |              |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------|
| Op Amp | $R_1 =$         | Open circuit         | 2.2 k   | 1 k     | 330 $\Omega$ | 150 $\Omega$ |
|        | $R_2 =$         | Don't care           | 15 k    | 4.7 k   | 1.5 k        | 470 $\Omega$ |
| LM324  | $V_{out\ Hi} =$ | 3.71 V               | 4.30 V  | 4.73 V  | 4.89 V       | 4.94 V       |
|        | $V_{out\ Lo} =$ | 0.04 V               | 0.023 V | 0.015 V | 0.010 V      | 0.003 V      |
| LP324  | $V_{out\ Hi} =$ | 4.16 V               | 4.91 V  | 4.965 V | 4.982 V      | 4.987 V      |
|        | $V_{out\ Lo} =$ | 0.53 V               | 0.064 V | 0.022 V | 0.007 V      | 0.003 V      |

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 58-7

By using two CMOS inverters, the output for an LM324 op amp can be increased from 3.5 Vpp to 4.9 Vpp. This circuit is only recommended for light loads (< 30 mA) and for relatively slow op amps. Any CMOS inverter (74COO, 74CO2, 74C14, CD4001, CD4011, etc.) can be used.

## 3-INPUT AND GATE COMPARATOR

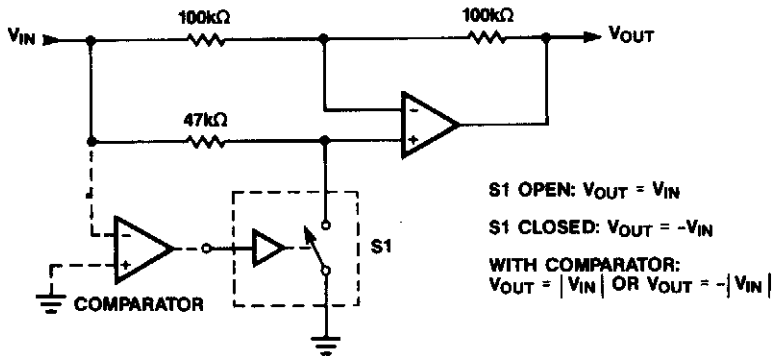


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-8

This circuit has high output only when all three inputs are high. The noninverting-input current, when all three inputs are high, must exceed that of the inverting input, as determined by R4. The circuit can be converted to a NAND gate by transposing the two inputs of the op amp.

## PROGRAMMABLE INVERTER/RECTIFIER

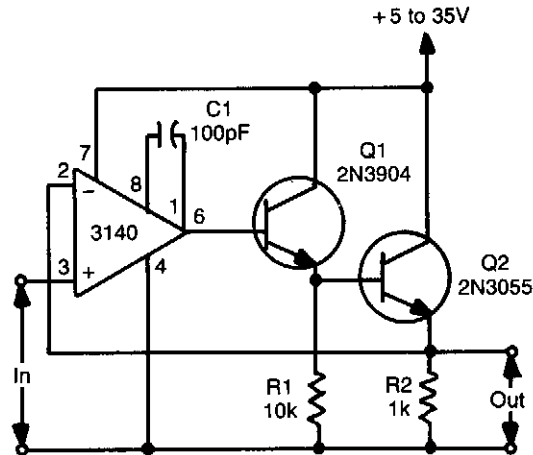


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Fig. 58-9

The op amp is alternately an inverter or buffer, under control of the switch polarity. As a buffer, the gain is always 1, but as an inverter, the gain is set by the ratio of the input and feedback resistors. By adding a comparator, the function can be synchronously switched as the input polarity changes, which effectively rectifies the output. The output polarity is determined by the switch logic (normally open or normally closed) and the comparator input polarity.

## COMPOUND OP AMP



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-10

By using an emitter-follower or a Darlington pair, a voltage-follower op amp configuration can source higher currents than the op amp otherwise could.

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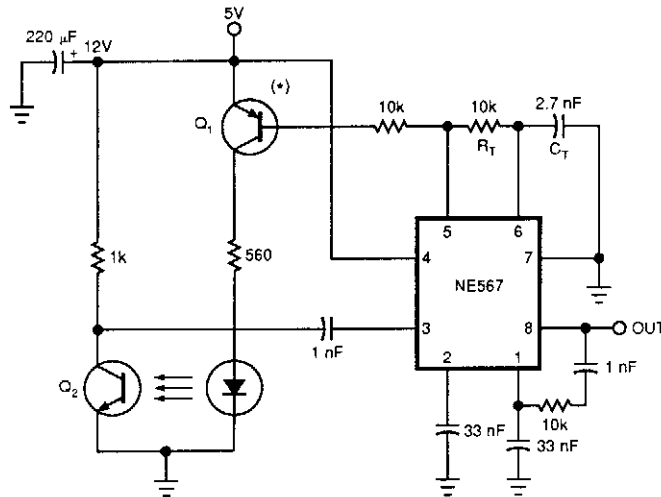
## Optical Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 672. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Optical Interruption Sensor
- Light Receiver
- Optical Receiver
- Light Transmitter
- Optical/Laser Receiver
- Light Detector
- Light Probe
- Simple Photoelectric Light Controller

## OPTICAL INTERRUPTION SENSOR



| Source  | Detector | Manufacturer      | Notes                                     |
|---------|----------|-------------------|---|
| TIL 32  | TIL 78   | Texas Instruments | IR LED and phototransistor                |
| TIL 38  | TIL 414  | Texas Instruments | IR LED and phototransistor                |
| CQY58A  | BPW22A   | Philips           | IR LED and phototransistor                |
| CQY89A  | BPW 50   | Philips           | IR LED and pin photodiode                 |
| TIL 139 |          | Texas Instruments | Transmissive source and detector assembly |
| TIL 149 |          | Texas Instruments | Reflective source and detector assembly   |

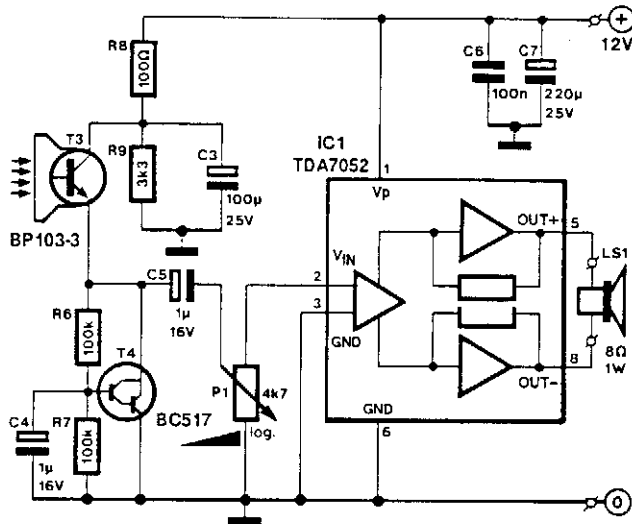
EDN

**Fig. 59-1**

Using only an 8-pin IC and a few discrete components, you can build the infrared optical interrupter. The NE567 tone decoder has all the necessary circuit elements: a local oscillator, a PLL decoder, and a 100-mA output-drive capability. The local oscillator, which is tuned to 40 kHz by  $R_T$  and  $C_T$ , drives  $Q_1$ , a universal low-power silicon pnp transistor (such as a 2N3906, BC559, or ZTX500).  $Q_1$  drives the IR-emitting diode. The receiving part of the circuit surrounds the IC's internal PLL input at pin 3. When the photodetector,  $Q_2$ , detects the oscillating IR light beam, the 40-kHz signal appears at pin 3 of the IC. Under this condition, the circuit locks and the IC's output is high. When something opaque comes between the LED and  $Q_2$ , the 40-kHz signal doesn't reach the PLL input, and the IC's output goes low.

The feedback network between pins 1 and 8 prevents the output from chattering. If you connect this circuit to a high-inertia load (such as a mechanical relay), the output doesn't tend to oscillate and you can eliminate these feedback components. The circuit works with virtually any LED-photodetector pair, but matched pairs allow for longer distances between the emitter and receiver. The table lists some of the best choices.

## LIGHT RECEIVER

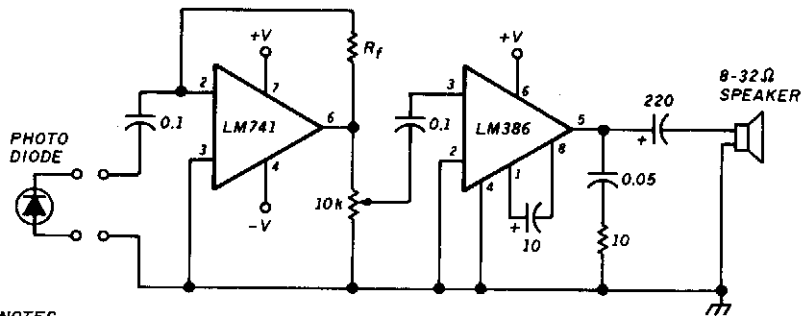


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-2

T3 is a photocell or phototransistor. T4 controls the emitter voltage of T3. IC1 is an audio amplifier to provide amplification of the signal from the photocell.

## OPTICAL RECEIVER



**NOTES**

+V = +9V TO +12V

-V = -9V TO -12V

$R_f = 100k - 1M$  THIS RESISTOR DETERMINES THE GAIN OF THE FIRST AMPLIFIER STAGE

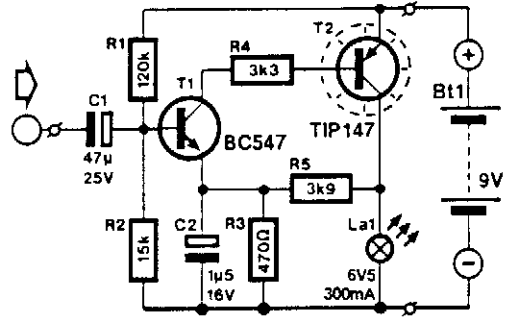
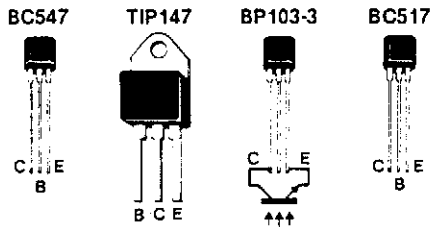
A LOW NOISE OP-AMP MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE LM741 FOR IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

HAM RADIO

Fig. 59-3

An optical receiver for light-wave communications, this circuit works with AM-type light signals.

## LIGHT TRANSMITTER

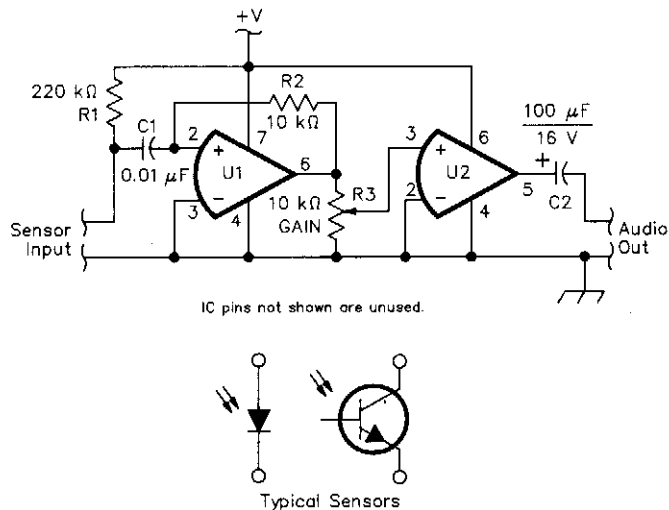


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-4

This circuit modulates the current through a lamp filament. Use a low-voltage lamp with a thin, straight filament. They have a fast response to filament voltage variations. dc is applied to "bias" the filament that is on, and the audio is superimposed. A BC547 drives a TIP147, which modulates the filament current.

## OPTICAL/LASER RECEIVER

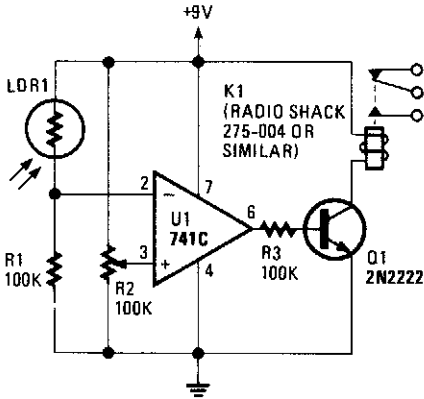


QST

Fig. 59-5

Using a single 741 op amp, a photodiode sensor, and an LM386, this simple receiver operates from a 9-V battery. The circuit will drive a pair of earphones or a small speaker.

## LIGHT DETECTOR

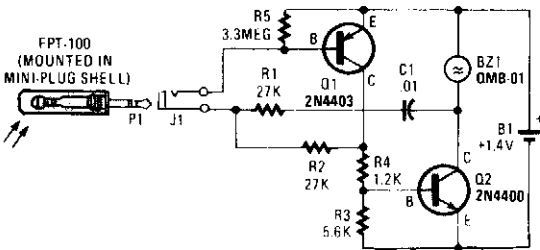


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-6

The circuit's threshold is set by resistor R2. When the intensity of the light falling on the LDR is lowered, resistance of that unit increases, and lowers the voltage applied to the inverting input of the 741. The reference voltage at the noninverting input of the 741 is set (via R2) so that the comparator switches from low to high when the light falling on the LDR is reduced. That high activates transistor Q1, which causes the relay contacts to close.

## LIGHT PROBE

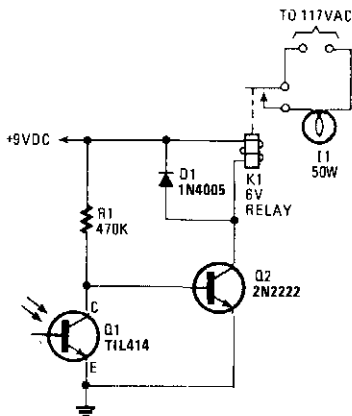


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-7

Originally designed as an aid for blind people, this probe was used as a light detector in order to tell if a device or room lights are on or off.

## SIMPLE PHOTOELECTRIC LIGHT CONTROLLER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 59-8

A phototransistor senses daylight. At dusk, it ceases to conduct and R1 biases Q2, activates K1, and switches on the light. At dawn, Q1 starts to conduct, and Q2 is cut off. K1 drops out and the light goes out.



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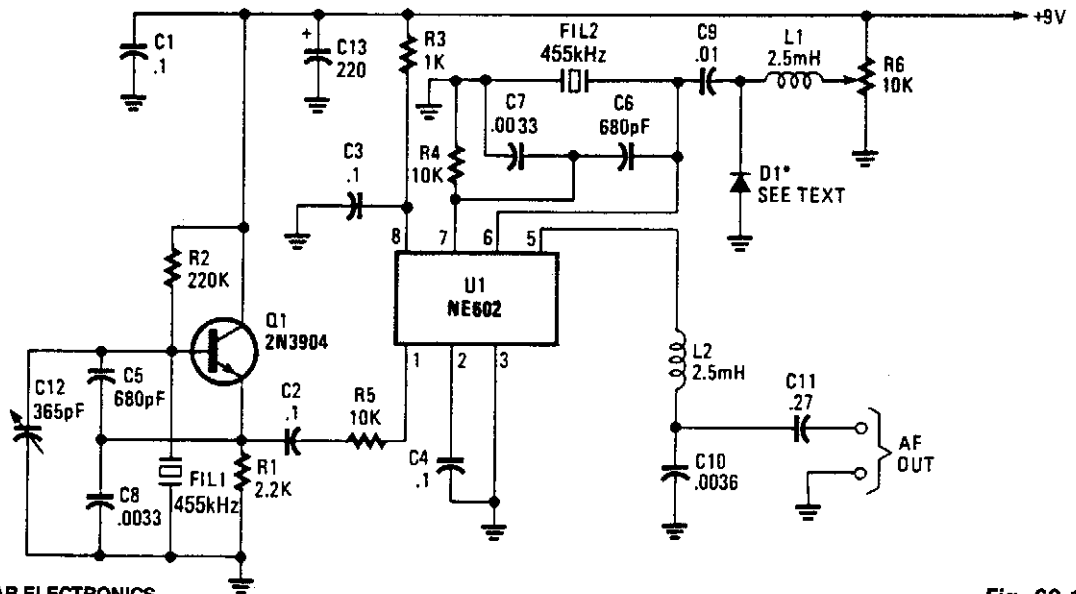
## Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 672. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Beat-Frequency Audio Generator  
Simple Wien-Bridge Oscillator  
Stable VFO  
Code-Practice Oscillator I  
Phase-Locked 20-MHz Oscillator  
Audio Oscillator  
Code-Practice Oscillator II  
Audio Oscillator II  
Code-Practice Oscillator III  
Relaxation Oscillator  
Wien-Bridge Oscillator

## BEAT-FREQUENCY AUDIO GENERATOR

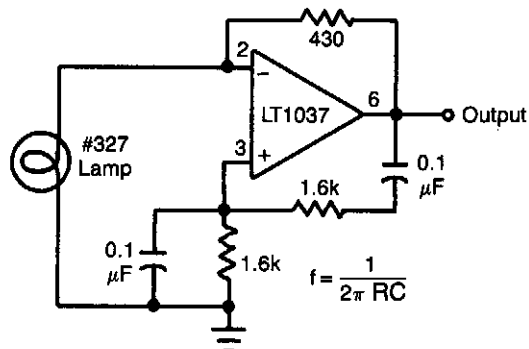


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 60-1

Q1 is a fixed oscillator operating at 455 kHz. U1 is a mixer, with its own internal oscillator running at 455 kHz. FIL1 and FIL2 are Murata CSB455E filters or equivalent. D1 is a varactor diode (an IN4002 used as a varactor works well here). R6 controls the bias on D1. When R6 is varied, the oscillator frequency varies a few kHz. Audio beat note is taken, through RF filter L2 and C10, from pin 5 of U1.

## SIMPLE WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

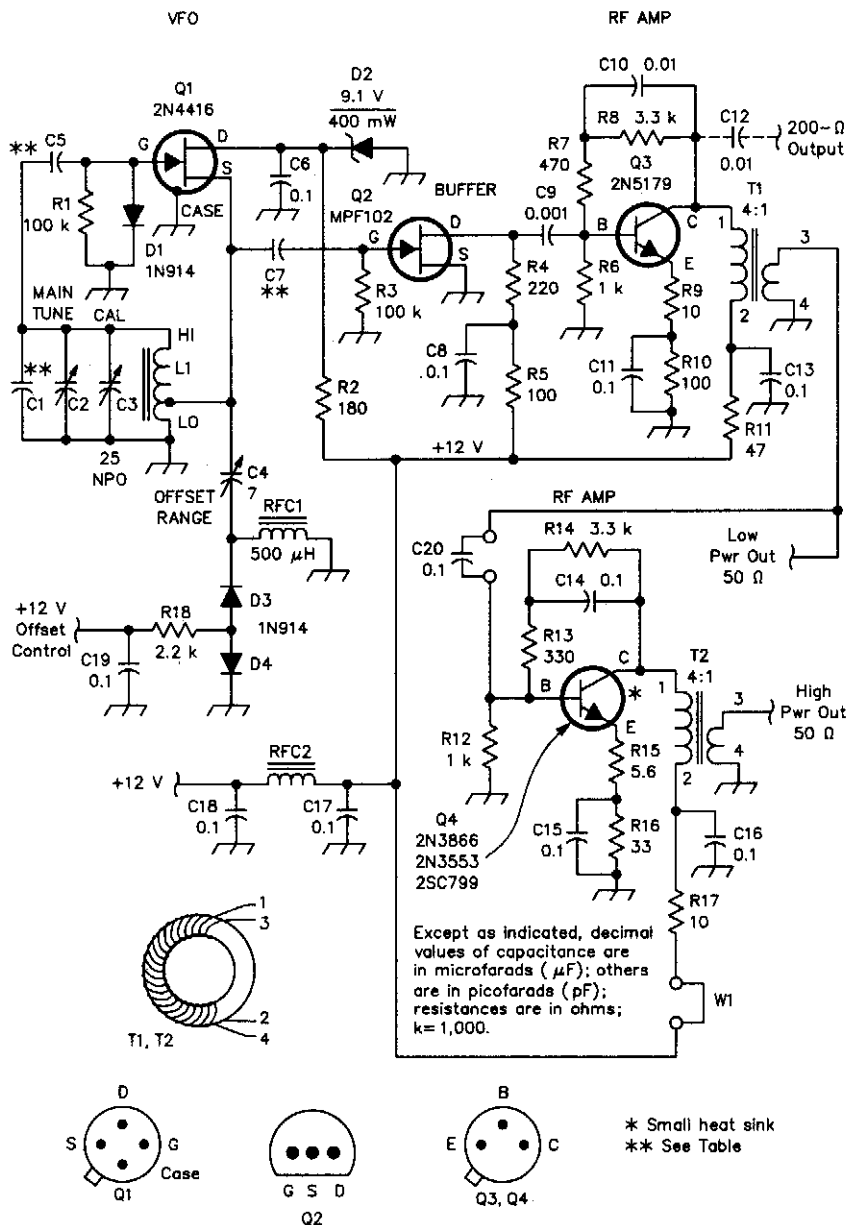


EDN

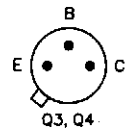
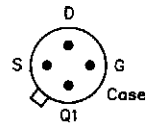
Output Frequency = 1,000 kHz  
For Values Given

Fig. 60-2

In this circuit, the Wien-bridge network provides phase shift, and the lamp regulates the amplitude of the oscillations. The smooth, limiting nature of the lamp's operation, in combination with its simplicity, gives good results. Harmonic distortion is below 0.3%.



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu F$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms; k=1,000.



\* Small heat sink  
 \*\* See Table

Bottom Views

QST

Fig. 60-3

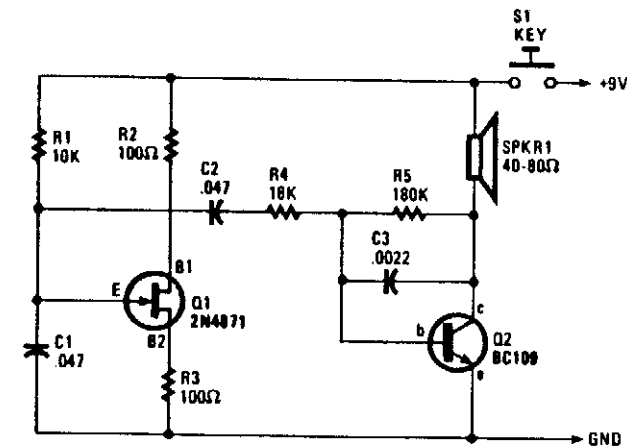
## STABLE VFO (Cont.)

This VFO circuit covers from 2.13 to 2.58 MHz and is intended for use with an external mixer to heterodyne the signal to desired frequencies. Coil data is shown in the parts list. Two power output levels are available—a few hundred mW (0 to +3 dbm) from Q3. Q4 is a class A amplifier for boosting the power to +22 dbm for driving a high-level mixer. The VFO can be operated on other frequencies, with suitable component changes (see the table).

| <i>f</i> (MHz) | C1(pF) | C2(pF) | Component Information |  |
|----------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|--|
|                |        |        | C5, C7(pF)            | L1   |
| 1.8-2          | 220    | 100    | 100                   | 24 $\mu$ H; 71 turns of no. 30 enamel on a T-68-6 toroid core. Tap at 18 turns from bottom end.  |
| 3.5-4          | 150    | 50     | 68                    | 9.5 $\mu$ H; 44 turns of no. 26 enamel on a T-68-6 toroid core. Tap at 11 turns from bottom end. |
| 5-5.5          | 130    | 50     | 47                    | 5 $\mu$ H; 33 turns of no. 24 enamel on a T-68-6 toroid core. Tap at 8 turns from bottom end.    |
| 7-7.3          | 110    | 25     | 47                    | 3.6 $\mu$ H; 27 turns of no. 24 enamel on a T-68-6 toroid core. Tap at 7 turns from bottom end.  |

C3 is a 25-pF NPO ceramic trimmer. C4 is a 7-pF air trimmer. The total capacitance of C2 may be reduced to restrict the VFO tuning range. C1, C5 and C7 are NPO ceramic.

## CODE-PRACTICE OSCILLATOR I

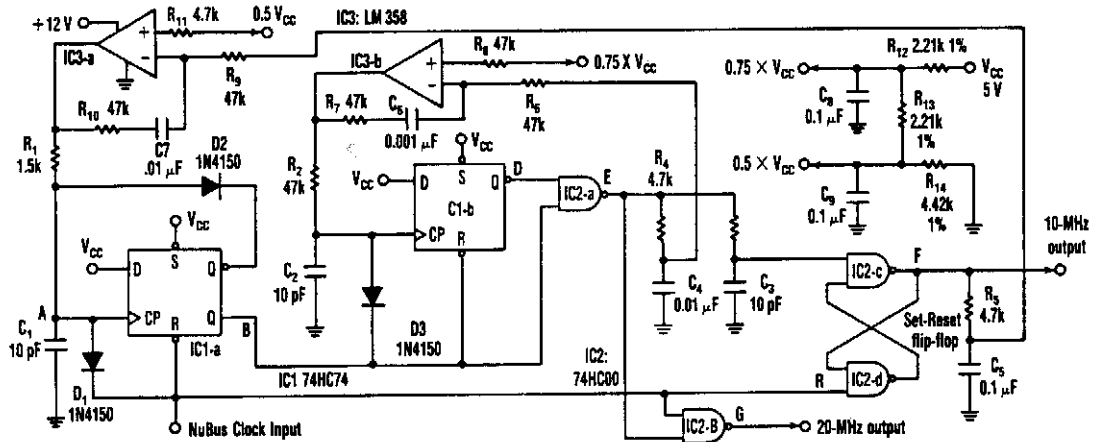


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 60-4

Q1, a unijunction transistor, generates a sawtooth of about 1.5 to 2 kHz, depending on C1 and R1. Q2 acts as a speaker driver. A 9-V battery is used, and the keying is done by keying the supply line.

## PHASE-LOCKED 20-MHz OSCILLATOR

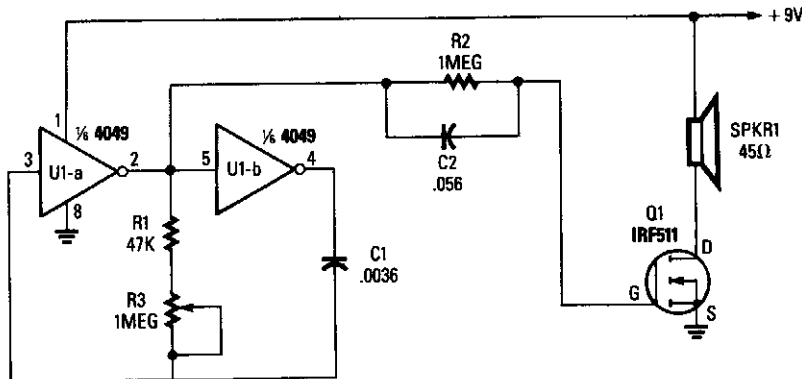


**Fig. 60-5**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

This circuit produces a 20-MHz clock phase locked to a 10-MHz clock present in the Apple MAC II. To generate the 20-MHz signal, the circuit produces a 25 ns negative-going pulse delayed 50 ns from the falling edge of the 10-MHz Nubus clock input at point E. NORing that pulse with the Nubus clock produces the 20-MHz clock at point G. Applying the 25-ms pulse to the set input of an S/R flip-flop and the Nubus clock to the reset input results in a 10-MHz square wave at F.

## AUDIO OSCILLATOR



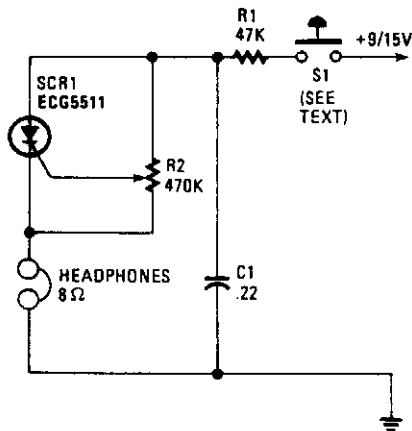
POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 60-6**

Two gates, U1A and U1B (1/3 of a 4049 hex inverter), are connected in a VFO circuit. Components R1, R3, and C1 set the frequency range of the VFO. With the values given, the circuit's output can range from a few hundred hertz to over several thousand hertz by adjusting R3.

The simplest way to change the frequency range of the oscillator is to use different capacitance values for C1. A rotary switch, teamed up with a number of capacitors, can be used to select the desired frequency range.

## CODE-PRACTICE OSCILLATOR II

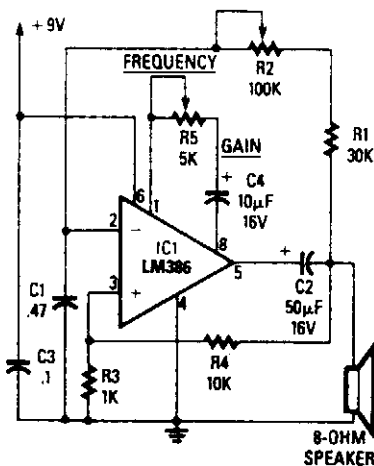


Capacitor C1 charges through resistor R1, and when the gate level established by potentiometer R2 is high enough, the SCR is triggered. Current flows through the SCR and earphones, discharging C1. The anode voltage and current drop to a low level, so the SCR stops conducting and the cycle is repeated. Resistor R2 lets the gate potential across C1 be adjusted, which changes the frequency or tone. Use a pair of 8-Ω headphones. The telegraph key goes right into the B+ line, 9-V battery.

HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS/POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 60-7

## AUDIO OSCILLATOR II



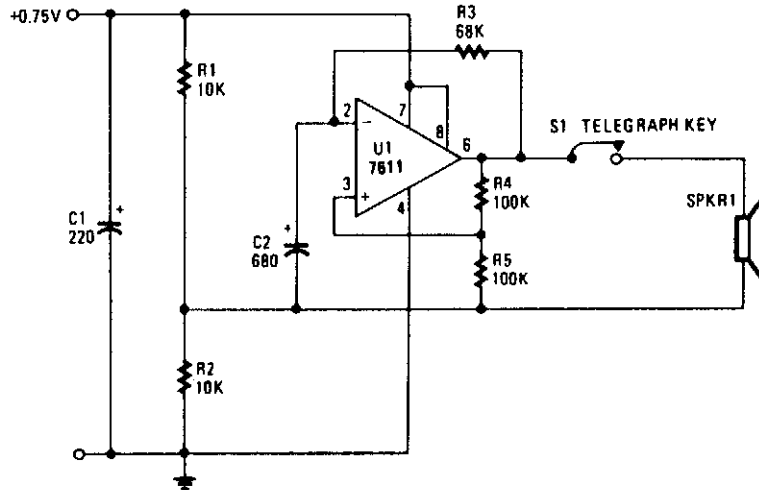
The circuit's frequency oscillation is  $f = 2.8 / [C_1 \times (R_1 + R_2)]$ . Using the values shown, the output frequency can be varied from 60 Hz to 20 kHz by rotating potentiometer R2.

A portion of IC1's output voltage is fed to its noninverting input at pin 3. The voltage serves as a reference for capacitor C1, which is connected to the noninverting input at pin 2 of the IC. That capacitor continually charges and discharges around the reference voltage, and the result is a square-wave output. Capacitor C2 decouples the output.

WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 60-8

### CODE-PRACTICE OSCILLATOR III

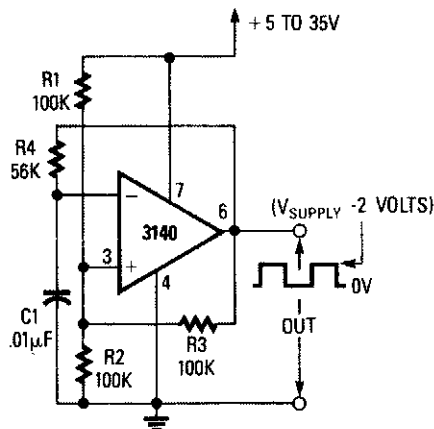


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 60-9

U1 is used as an oscillator; the frequency is determined by C2 and R3. Use an 80  $\Omega$  or similar high-impedance speaker, and a 1.5-V battery for a power source.

### RELAXATION OSCILLATOR

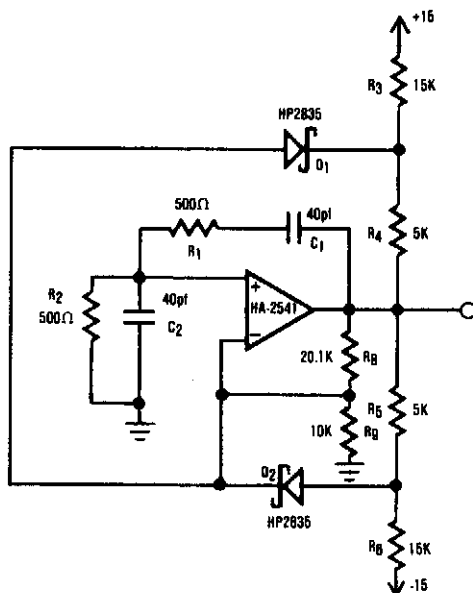


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 60-10

This oscillator runs at about 150 Hz, but C1 and/or R4 can be proportionately changed to alter this frequency. Rise and fall times are 12 and 7  $\mu$ s, respectively.

## WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR



HARRIS

Fig. 60-11

The HA2541 is well-suited for use as the heart of an oscillator. In spite of the rudimentary diode limiting that is provided by R3 through R7 and D1 and D2, a good-quality sine wave of 40 MHz is readily attainable with an upper limit of 50 MHz, which exceeds the unity-gain bandwidth of HA-2541.

R1/C1 and R2/C2 provide the required regenerative feedback needed for adequate frequency stability. In theory, the feedback network requires a gain of three to sustain oscillation. However, the practical gain needed is just over three and is provided by R8 and R9.



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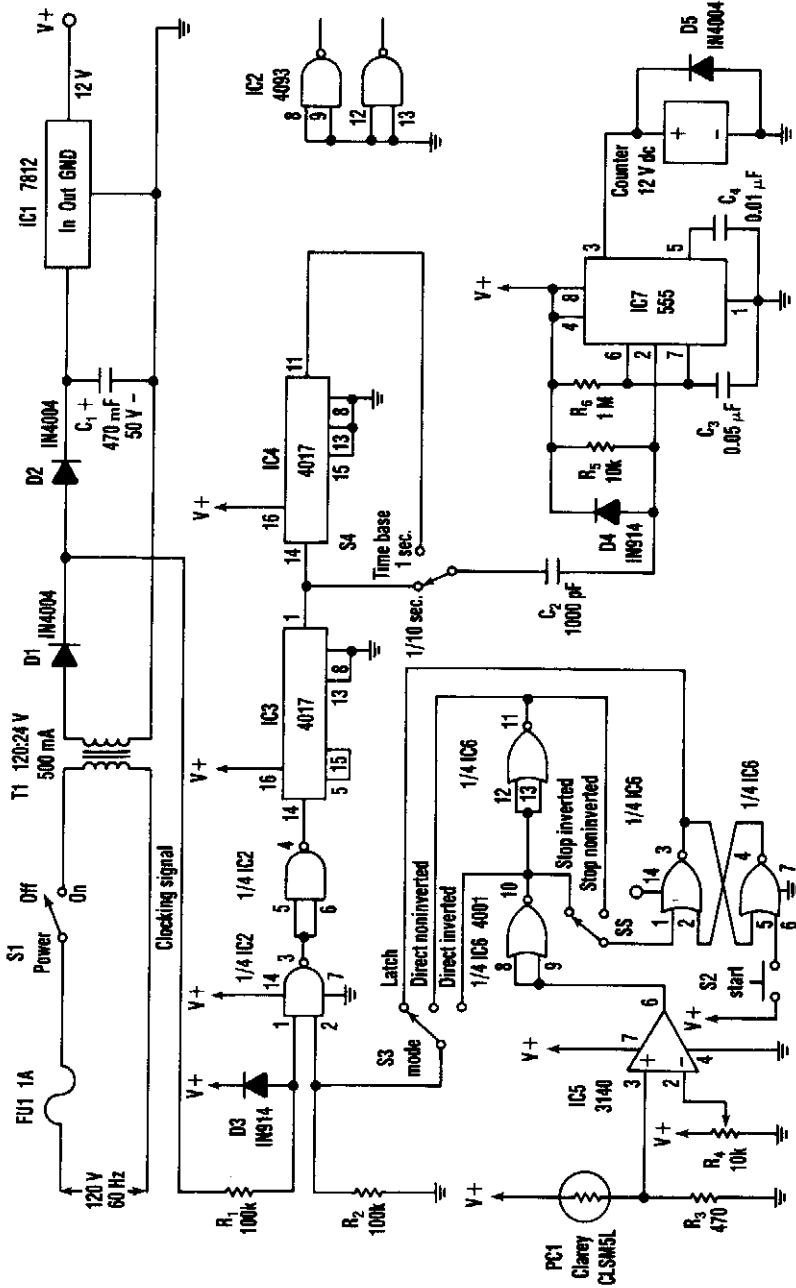
## Photography-Related Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 673. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Photo-Event Timer  
SCR Slave Flash  
Time-Delay Photo-Flash Trigger  
Camera Trip Circuit  
Slide Projector Auto Advance  
Sound-Trigger Flash  
Slave Flash Trigger

# PHOTO-EVENT TIMER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 61-1

S2 is used to initiate timing. A light-to-dark or dark-to-light transition stops this timer, depending on the setting of S5. S3 offers a direct operating mode, rather than through the latch. IC3 and IC4 supply 0.1- or 1-second timing pulses. IC7 drives a time display counter, a 12-Vdc unit that draws less than 200 mA.

### SCR SLAVE FLASH

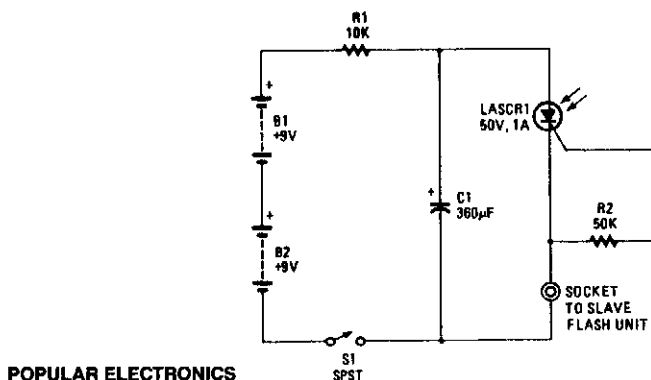
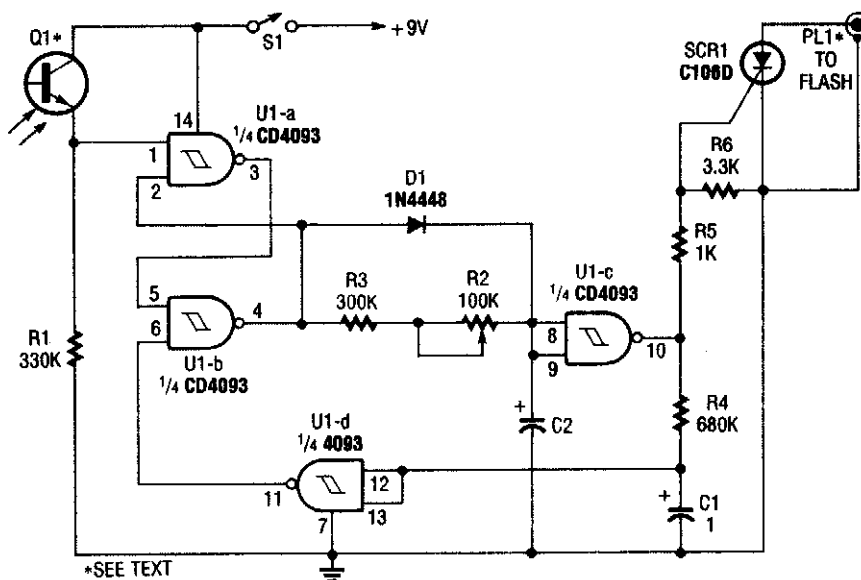


Fig. 61-2

Using a light-activated SCR, this circuit can trigger a slave-flash unit.

### TIME-DELAY PHOTO-FLASH TRIGGER

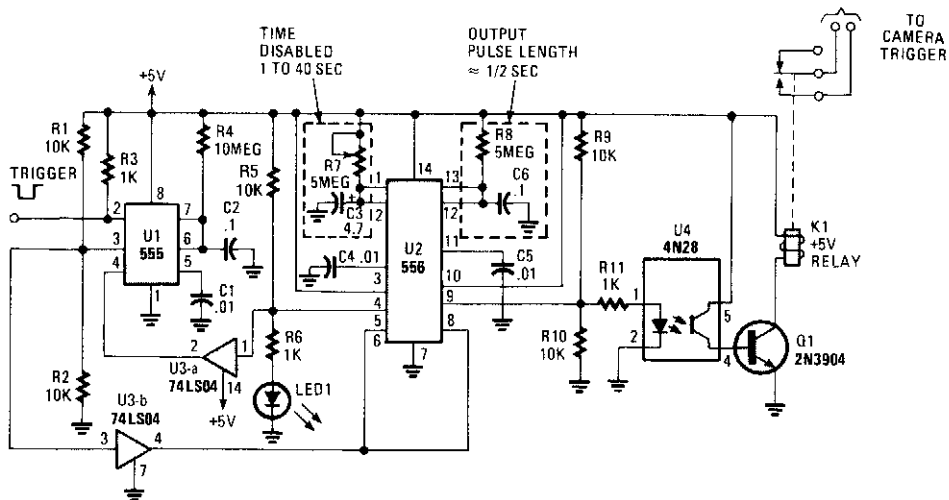


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 61-3

Q1 is a phototransistor that is normally illuminated by a beam of light. When the beam is interrupted, pin 1 of U1A goes high, and forces pin 4 U2B low. Then, C2 discharges through R2 and R3. After a certain time delay, pin 10 U1C goes high, triggers SCR1, and sets off the flash. R4/C1 charges, causes U1D output to go low after about 1/2 second, and resets U1A and U1B to the initial state. This delay prevents accidental double flash exposure.

## CAMERA TRIP CIRCUIT

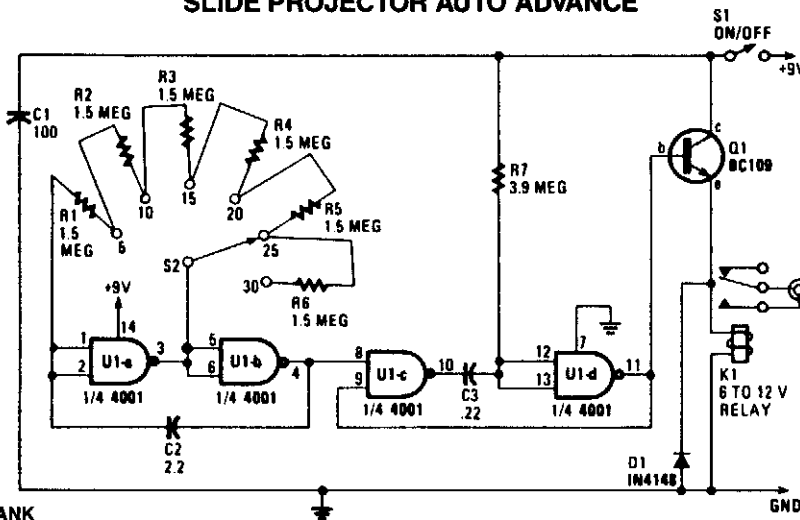


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 61-4

This circuit was used to trip a camera shutter. Grounding pin 2 of U1 makes pin 4 of U1 go high. This triggers both timers of dual timer U1. One output holds reset (pin 4) of U1 low to keep U1 from accepting another trigger, depending on the time constant of R7 and C3. This prevents camera film waste. The other timer is used to generate a 1/2-second pulse to drive U4 and Q1, the relay driver. K1 triggers the camera.

## SLIDE PROJECTOR AUTO ADVANCE

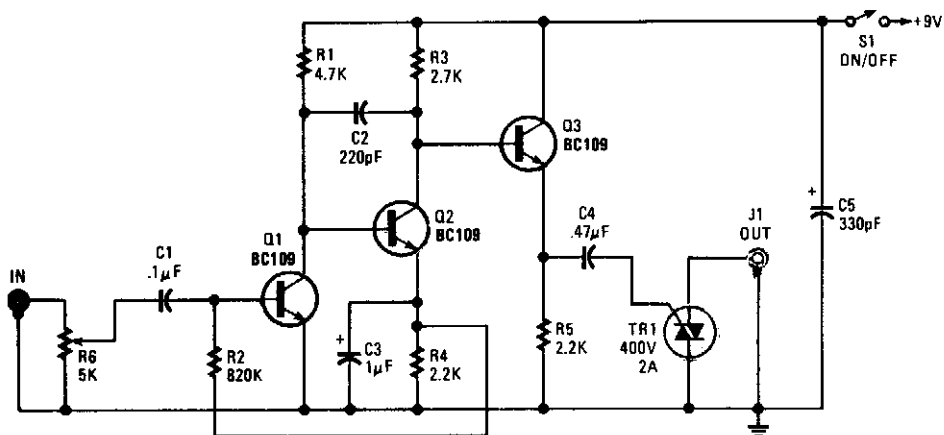


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 61-5

A 4001 CMOS Quad NORgate is set up as an astable multivibrator, which drives a simple differentiator and relay driver. Depending on the setting of S2, a delay of 5 to 30 seconds is generated. S2 and R1 through R6 can be replaced by a single 10-MΩ pot, if desired.

## SOUND-TRIGGERED FLASH

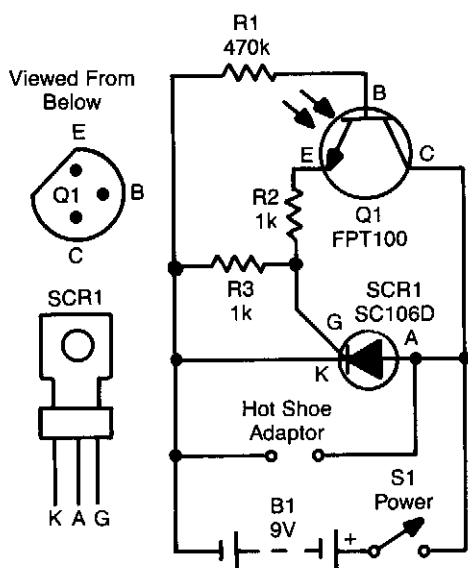


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 61-6

Audio input from a microphone drives amplifier Q1/Q2/Q3 to produce an ac voltage across R5. C4 couples this to TR1, causing it to conduct, triggering photoflash or other device that is connected to J1.

## SLAVE FLASH TRIGGER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 61-7

The SCR is wired across the trigger circuit of the flash gun. Normally, the SCR is off, so the flash gun is able to charge to its trigger voltage. Photo transistor Q1 is used to monitor the light level. When a high-intensity flash occurs, Q1 briefly conducts and supplies gate current to the SCR. That causes the SCR to turn on, which then triggers the slave flash gun via the hot-shoe adapter terminals.

Once the flash gun has triggered, the SCR quickly turns off again. That happens because the current in circuit quickly falls below the SCR's holding current. The resistor at the base of Q1 (R1) determines the sensitivity of the circuit. If you wish, you can reduce the sensitivity, simply by reducing the value of the resistor from that shown. The 1-k $\Omega$  resistor between the gate and cathode of the SCR (R3) prevents the SCR from false triggering if high voltages are applied between the anode and the cathode. Q1 can also be a GEL14G2.

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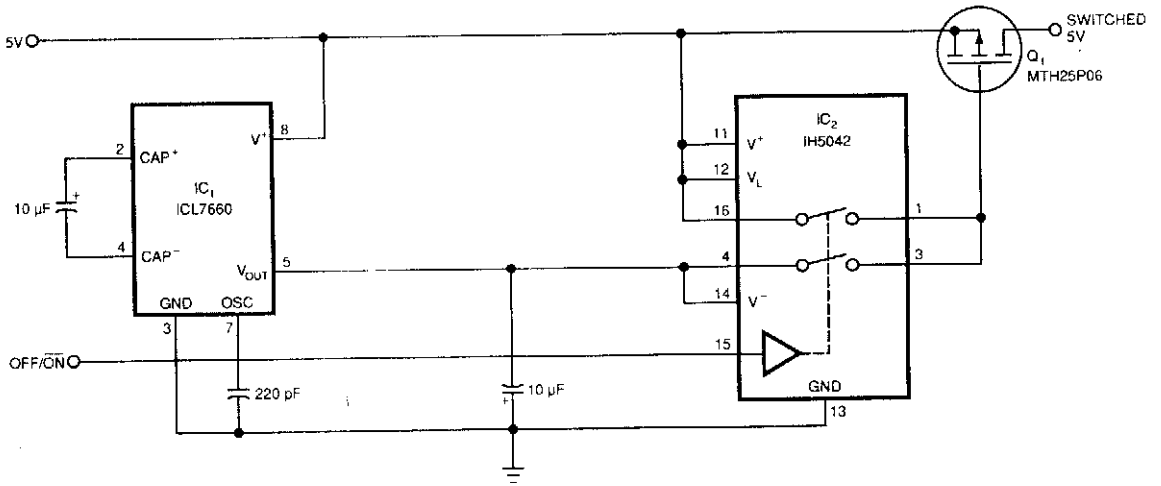
## Power-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 672. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- 5-V Supply High-Side Switcher
- SCR Power Monitor
- Power MOSFET Switch
- Current-Loop SCR Control
- Battery-Triggered ac Switch
- Universal Power Controller
- Pushbutton-Controlled Power Switch
- Bang-Bang Controllers
- SCR Overvoltage Protectors

## 5-V SUPPLY HIGH-SIDE SWITCHER



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Fig. 62-1(a)

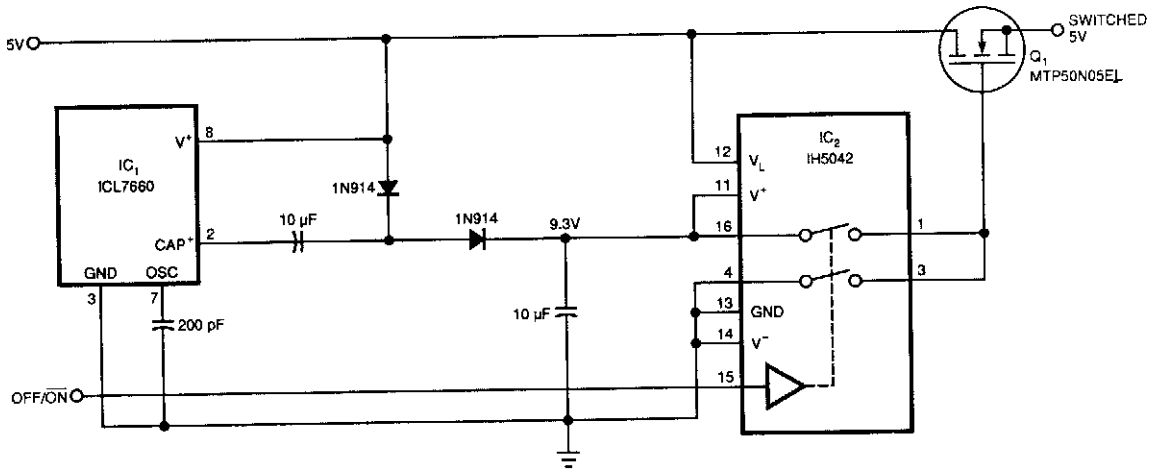


Fig. 62-1(b)

### 5-V SUPPLY HIGH-SIDE SWITCHER (Cont.)

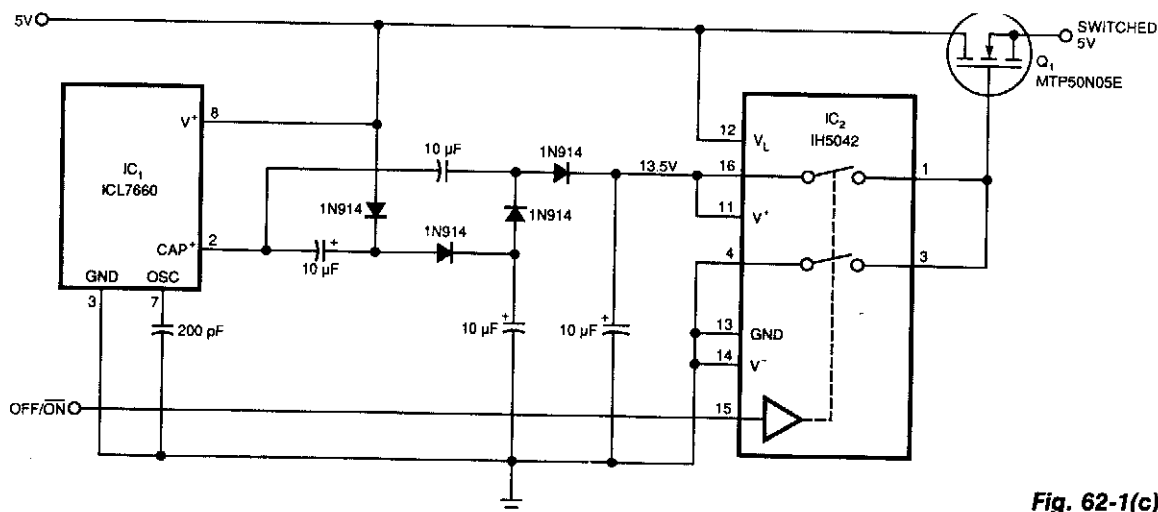


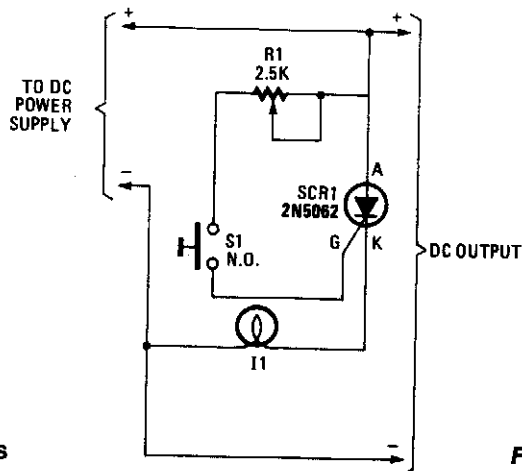
Fig. 62-1(c)

Requiring only  $10\ \mu\text{A}$  of quiescent current, the circuit of (Fig. 62-1(a)) produces only  $0.1\text{-}\Omega$  ON-resistance. IC1 is a charge pump voltage converter to produce a  $-5\text{-V}$  level, so analog switch IC2 can provide a  $10\text{-V}$  swing to MOSFET Q1.

This circuit uses a voltage converter to enable the analog switch to apply a  $4.3\text{-V}$  swing to logic level NMOS power transistor Q1. ON resistance is  $0.03\ \Omega$  typical.

This circuit uses additional stages in the voltage-multiplying circuit to provide a higher gate voltage swing. This would enable the use of a converter for an NMOS switching transistor.

### SCR POWER MONITOR



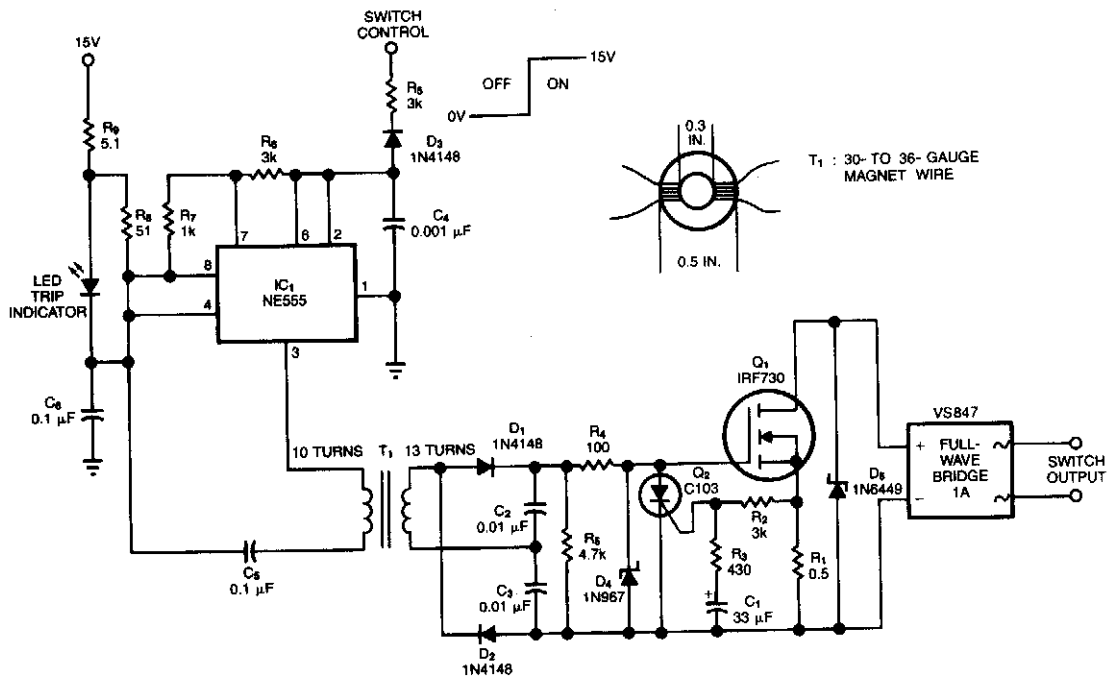
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-2

Pressing R1 lights I1, which will extinguish if there has been a power failure.



## POWER MOSFET SWITCH



- NOTES:**  
 1. ALL RESISTORS EXCEPT R<sub>1</sub> ARE 1/4W CARBON.  
 2. T<sub>1</sub> IS A FERROXCUBE 204XT250-3E2A.

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**Fig. 62-3**

This solid-state switch senses and interrupts an overcurrent condition within 2  $\mu$ s. It allows the circuit to float. IC1 runs at 150 kHz and full-wave doubler D1/D2 provides 15 V to the gate of Q1. An overcurrent sensed across R1 triggers Q3, removes gate bias from Q1, and opens the circuit formed by the full-wave bridge and Q1. C1 and R3 allow the circuit to handle surges.

## CURRENT-LOOP SCR CONTROL

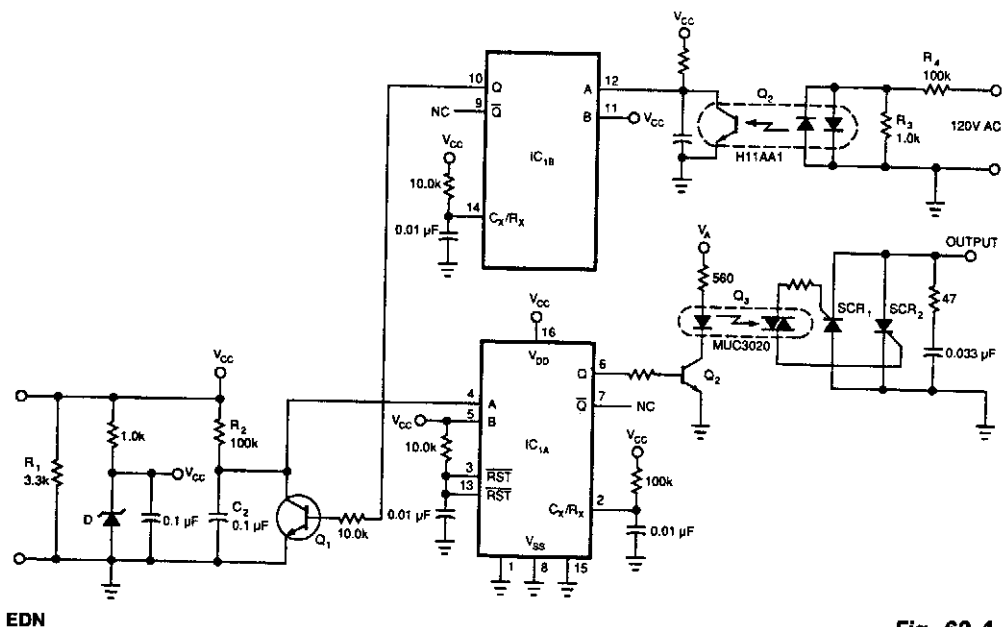
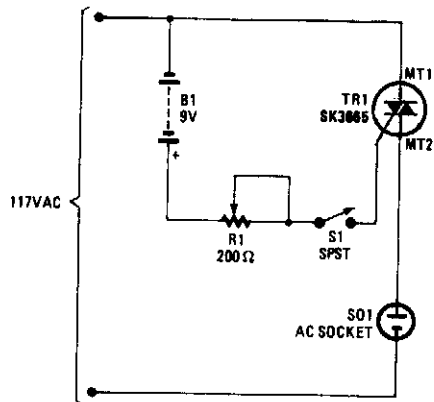


Fig. 62-4

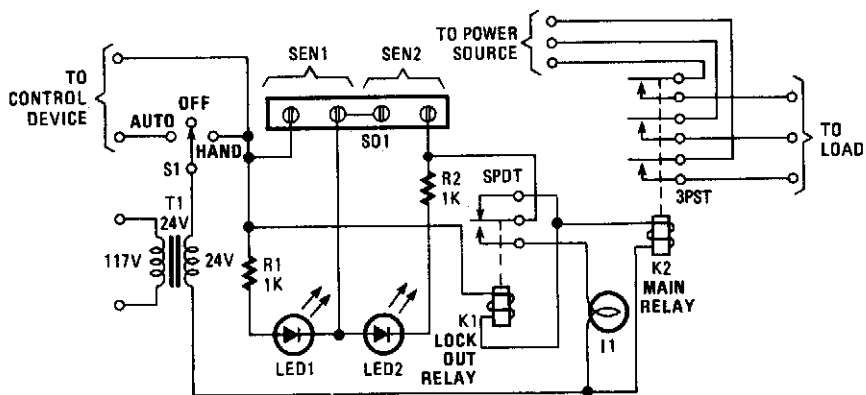
This circuit allows a 4-to 20-mA current loop to control an isolated SCR drive. IC1A and B are one-shots. Q2 detects zero crossings of the 120 Vac line, which triggers one-shot IC1B. IC1A causes Q1 to discharge C2. When C2 recharges through R2, it triggers IC1A, and the optoisolator and SCR1/SCR2. Triggering of SCR1 and SCR2 is a function of input current, which can control motor speed, light intensity, etc.

## BATTERY-TRIGGERED ac SWITCH



Using this method, a small switch (S1) can control a large ac load. R1 is adjusted for reliable triggering and should be as large as possible.

## UNIVERSAL POWER CONTROLLER

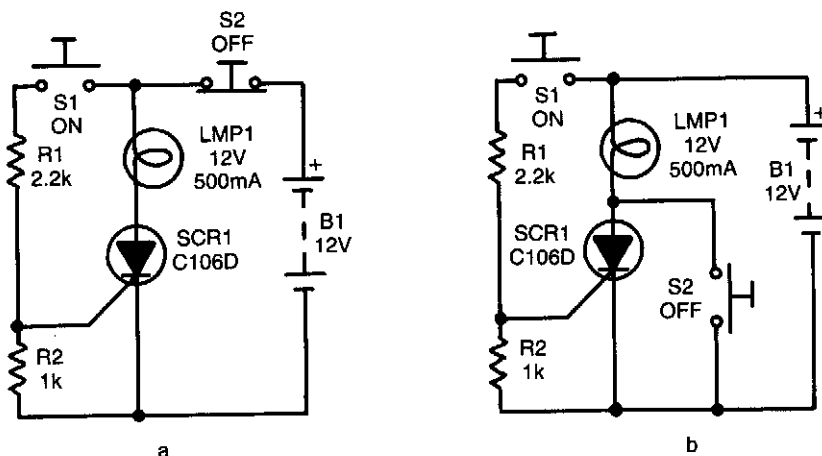


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-6

Relay K1 has a low-impedance coil and K2 has a high-impedance coil. When a sensor opens, current is routed through the coil of K1. K1 activates, opens its contacts, and prevents a sensor contact reclosure from affecting the circuit. When K1 contacts open, current to the main relay K2 is limited by the impedance of K1. K2 controls power to a load (air conditioner, furnace blower, etc.).

## PUSHBUTTON-CONTROLLED POWER SWITCH



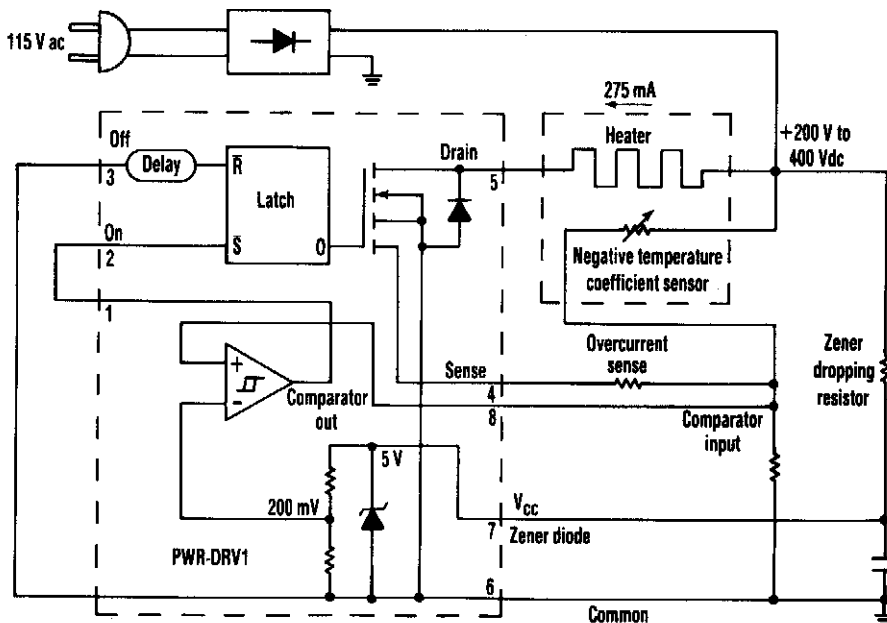
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-7

In both circuits, the SCR (and thereby the lamp) can be latched on by momentarily closing S1, thereby feeding gate drive to the SC via R1. In both circuits, the gate is tied to the cathode via R2 to improve circuit stability.

Of course, after the SCR turns on, it can be turned off again only by momentarily reducing anode current below the device's  $I_H$  value. The SCR is turned off by momentarily opening S2, by using S2 to short the anode and cathode terminals of the SCR momentarily.

## BANG-BANG CONTROLLERS

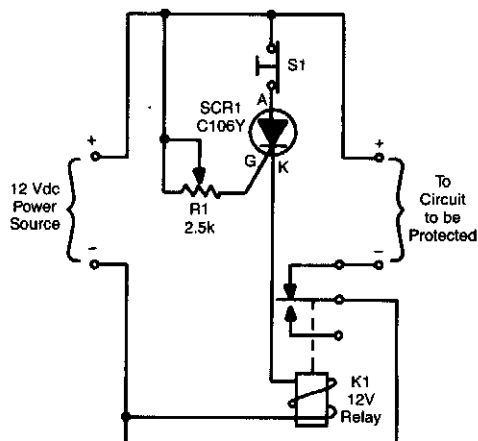


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 62-8

Just one chip, the PWR-DRV1 from Power Integrations, builds a “bang-bang” controller that switches 275 mA and runs off the rectified 115-Vac mains. An on-chip zener diode powers the chip from high voltage through a dropping resistor.

## SCR OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTOR



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-9

Depending on the setting of R1, when the voltage exceeds a certain amount, SCR1 triggers, which activates K1 and opens the circuit. S1 resets the SCR.

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# Power Supplies (Fixed)

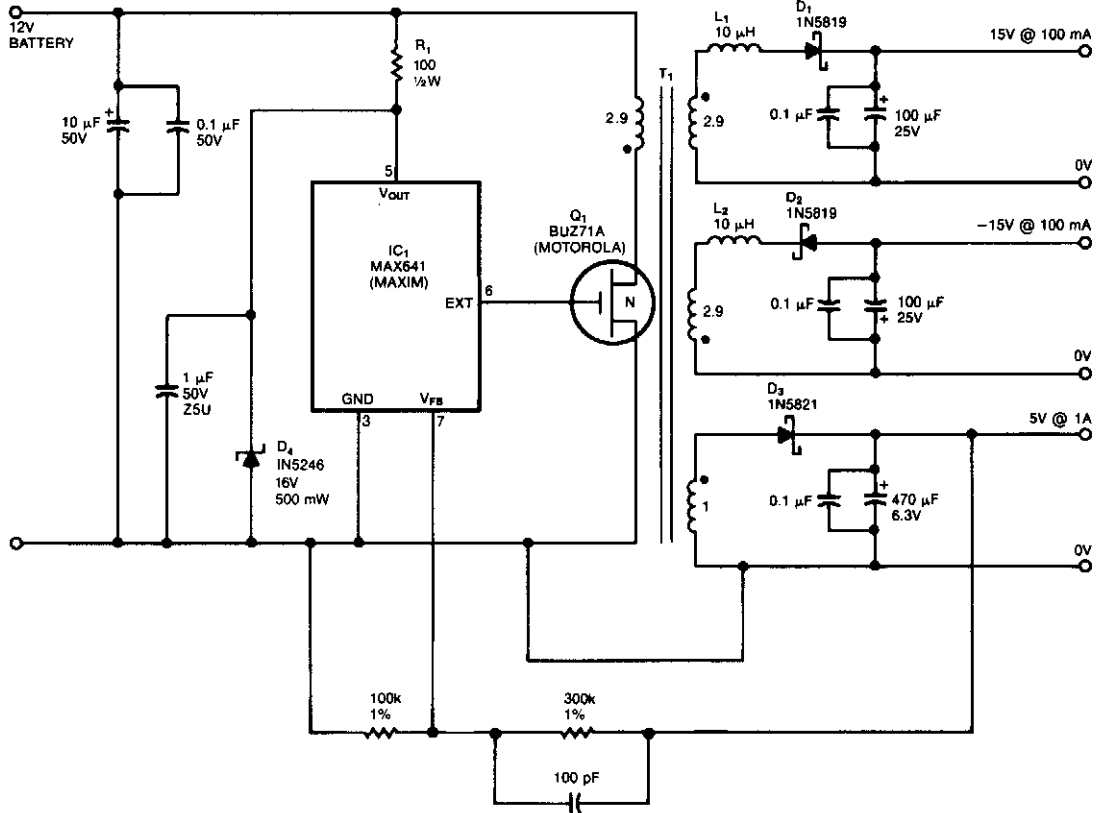
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 673. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

±15- and 5-V Car Battery Supply  
Simple LCD Display Power Supply  
Output Stabilizer  
Auxiliary Supply  
ac-to-dc Converter  
12-V Input Simple Inverter  
Regulated Charge Pump  
Simple Ripple Suppressor  
3-V Power Supply for Portable Radios  
Negative Voltage from a Positive Supply  
Bridge Rectifier  
±35-V Supply for Audio Amplifiers  
Precise Low-Current Source  
3- to 15-V dc/dc Converter  
Current Supply for RTTY Machines  
+24-V 1.5-A Supply from a +12-V Source  
Negative Supply from a +12-V Source

1-A 12-V Regulated Supply  
Positive and Negative Voltage Power Supply  
1-mA Current Sink  
Positive and Negative Voltage Switching Supply  
LCD Display Contrast Control Power Supply  
5- and ±12-V ac-Powered Switching Supply  
Auxiliary Negative dc Supply for Bias or Reference  
Applications  
GASFET Power Supply  
Fast Differential Input Current Source  
Bootstrapped Amp Current Source  
Diode CMOS Stabilizer  
Mobile ±35-V 5-A Audio Amplifier Supply  
Isolated 15-V to 2 500-V Supply  
Get Negative Rail With CMOS Gates  
3-A Switching Regulator

## ± 15-V AND 5-V CAR BATTERY SUPPLY



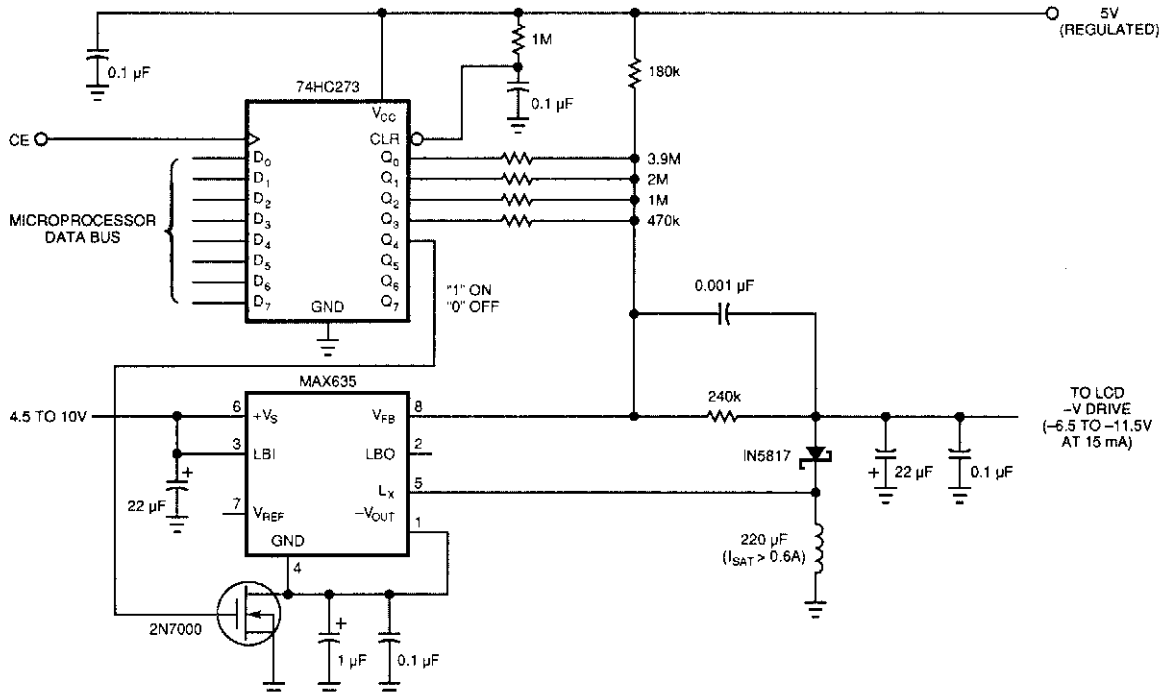
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Fig. 63-1

IC1 is a switching regulator that generates a 45-kHz signal that drives the gate of MOSFET Q1. D1, D2, and D3 are Schottky diodes. The 5-V output is sensed as a reference; feedback to the chip turns off the gate signal to Q1 if the voltage rises above 5 V.

T1 has Trifilar windings that assume about 2% regulation for a 10-to 100-mA load change on the ± 15-V supplies. R1/D4 provide overvoltage protection. T1 has a primary inductance of about 21  $\mu$ H. Core size should allow 4-A peak currents. The turn ratios are 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  turns each for the 15-V supplies, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  turns for the primary, and four turns for the 5-V secondary. The efficiency is about 75%.

## SIMPLE LCD DISPLAY POWER SUPPLY



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**Fig. 63-2**

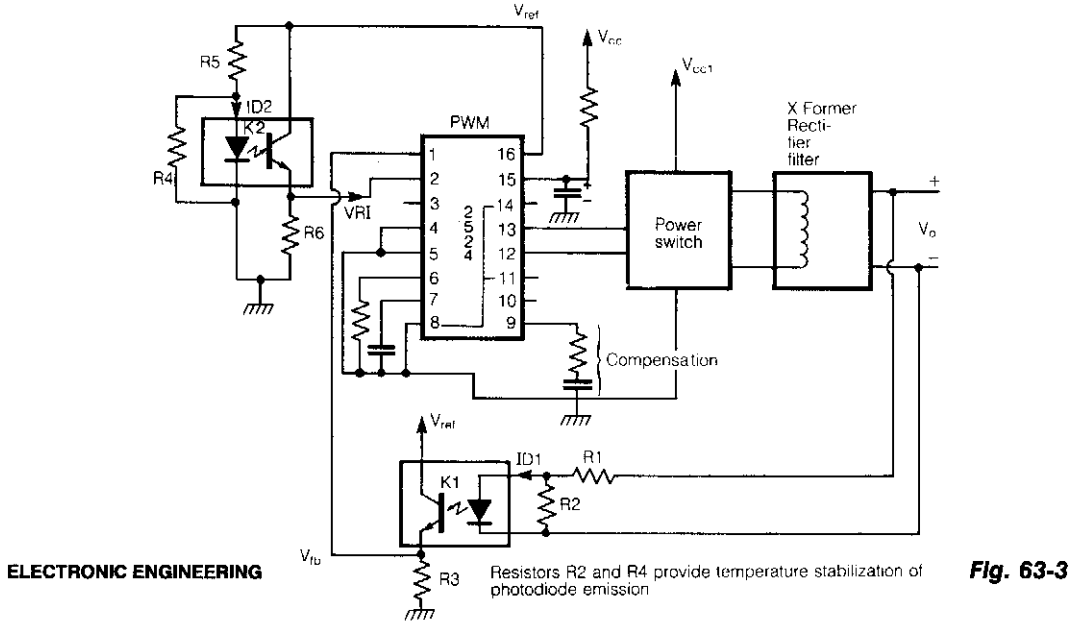
Laptop computers often use large-screen LCDs, which require a variable and a negative supply to ensure maximum contrast. This circuit operates from the system's positive battery supply and generates a digitally variable negative voltage to drive the display.

This figure's switching regulator creates a negative voltage from the battery supply. The microprocessor data bus drives a 4-bit DAC, which in turn varies the actual regulator output from  $-6.5$  to  $-11.5$  V. This arrangement allows a staircase of 16 possible voltages between these limits. The circuit implements the DAC by using the rail-to-rail output-drive capability of a 74 HC-series CMOS gate. A resistor divider network formed by the  $240\text{-k}\Omega$  resistor, connected to the  $-V$  filter capacitor and the resistors, is referenced to the 5-V supply control (the MAX635 regulator).

When the voltage at the  $V_{FB}$  pin is greater than ground, the switching regulator turns on. The inductor dumps this energy into the  $-V$  filter capacitor. When the voltage at  $V_{FB}$  is less than ground, the regulator skips a cycle. The MAX635 regulates the voltage at the junction of the resistor divider to 0 V. Thus, any resistor that the DAC connects to ground (logic 0) will not contribute any current to the ladder. Only the resistors that are at 5 V (logic 1) will be part of the voltage-divider equation.

The entire switching-regulator supply draws less than  $150\ \mu\text{A}$ . You can place the circuit in an even lower power mode by interrupting the ground pin. The high-current path is from the battery input through the internal power PMOSFET to the external inductor. Disconnecting the ground connection simply disables the gate drive to the FET and turns off the internal oscillator.

## OUTPUT STABILIZER



Optically isolated SMPS and dc-to-dc converters face the variance of output voltage owing to the change of transmission characteristics of an optoisolator with (a) temperature and (b) aging. The photo diode emission decays with temperature and time, and causes the output voltage to change. The problem is solved using a homoeopathic principle. An additional optical isolator is used to derive the  $+V_e$  input voltage, instead of a conventional potential divider from internally stabilized reference. A scheme is shown using IC2524 as PWM element:

$$1) V_{R1} = K_2 \times I_{D2} \times R_6 = K_2 \left( \frac{V_{Ref} - V_D}{R_5} - \frac{V_D}{R_4} \right) \times R_6$$

$$2) V_{fb} = K_1 \times I_{D1} \times R_3 = K_1 \left( \frac{V_o - V_D}{R_1} - \frac{V_D}{R_2} \right) \times R_3$$

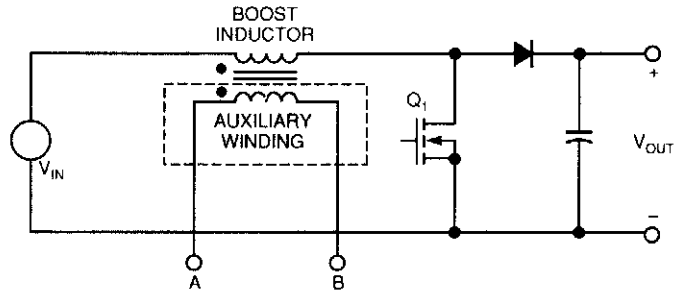
where  $V_D$  = forward drop of a photo diode. In equations 1 and 2, the terms:

$$\frac{V_D}{R_4} \text{ and } \frac{V_D}{R_2}$$

decrease with temperature. Thanks to  $-V_e$  temperature coefficient of  $V_D$  any changes in  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  as a result of temperature and aging, track each other to maintain the output voltage constant. With proper selection of  $R_2$  and  $R_4$ , the output voltages are found to vary by less than  $0.01\%/^{\circ}\text{C}$  over a wide temperature range.



## AUXILIARY SUPPLY



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Fig. 63-4(a)

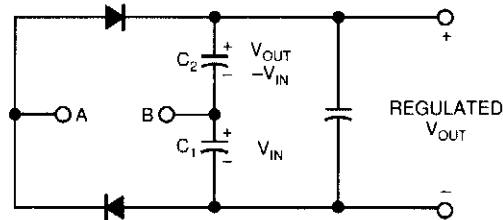


Fig. 63-4(b)

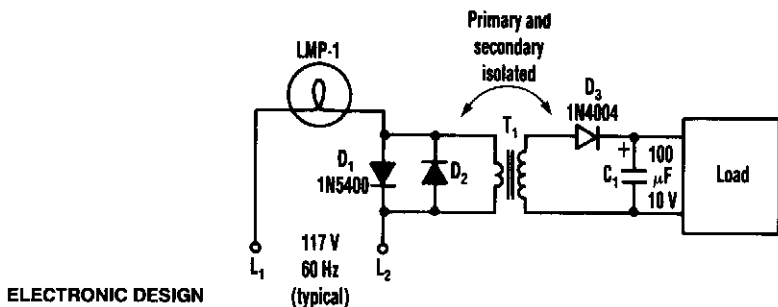
Many power-factor-correction circuits use a boost converter to generate a regulated dc output voltage from the ac line input while forcing the load to draw sinusoidal current, which maximizes the power factor.

This circuit's full-wave rectifier the auxiliary winding's output to completely cancel out line variations and provide a regulated output voltage. The circuit essentially sums the two phases of the boost inductor's voltage to eliminate the 120-Hz components. The regulated output tracks the power-factor-controlled pre-regulator output voltage and it can be used in the corrected output voltage's feedback loop.

An isolated auxiliary winding consists of the desired number of turns wound on the boost inductor. You can vary the exact value of the auxiliary supply's output voltage by adjusting or scaling the auxiliary winding's number of turns. Figure 63-4(b)'s rectifier develops two separate, but individually unregulated voltages, across capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Each of these voltages varies in amplitude at twice the ac-line frequency. When switch  $Q_1$  is on, the boost inductor connects directly across the input supply, and a voltage proportional to the instantaneous input voltage develops across capacitor  $C_1$ .

Once the switch turns off, the inductor voltage reverses and clamps to a voltage equal to  $V_{OUT} - V_{IN}$ . During this interval, a voltage proportional to  $V_{OUT} - V_{IN}$  develops across  $C_2$ . The sum of these two capacitor voltages produces a regulated auxiliary voltage that is proportional to  $V_{OUT}$ . The voltage across the output capacitor equals  $V_{IN} + (V_{OUT} - V_{IN})$ , which cancels the input-line variations.

## ac-TO-dc CONVERTER



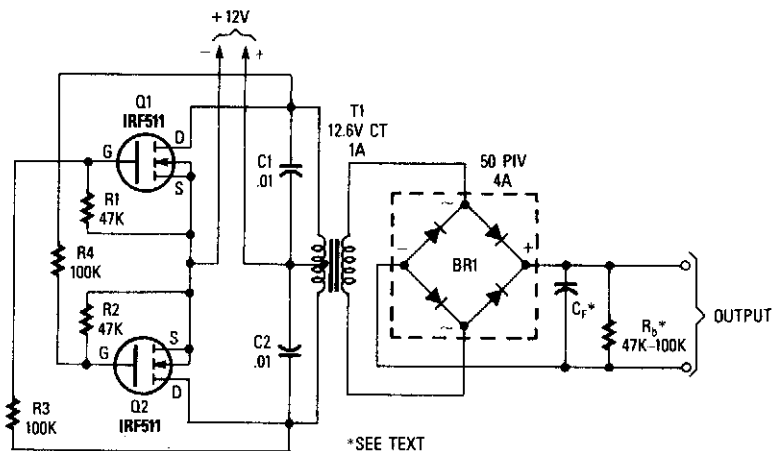
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 63-5

By coupling two back-to-back diodes in series with an ac power circuit, a voltage of about 1.4 Vpp can be obtained. This voltage is useful for exciting the primary coil of a small transformer. The voltage induced in the secondary coil can then be rectified and used to power solid-state control circuits. The forward-voltage drop of the diodes is inherently constant and stable over a wide range of ac-circuit power variations. The resulting voltage developed across the transformer windings is also free from variation that might be caused by changes in the circuit's current or voltage.

In the circuit, a lamp (LMP-1) is connected to the primary ac input line (L1 and L2) through a pair of inverse-parallel-connected power diodes (D1 and D2). As power flows to the lamp, a drop of about 0.7 V is alternatively developed across each of the diodes. This voltage feeds the primary of a small transformer (T1). T1 can be a small 8-Ω to 500-Ω transistor radio output, etc. This will deliver about 11 Vpp across its secondary winding. LMP1 can be a small 120-V lamp of 5 to 25 W, etc.

## 12-V INPUT SIMPLE INVERTER

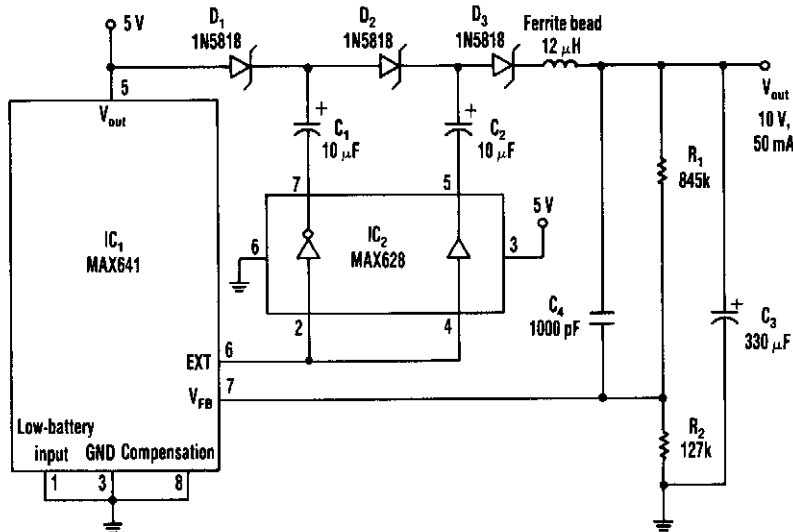


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Fig. 63-6

Using two power MOSFETs, this inverter can deliver ac or dc up to several hundred volts. T1 is a 12.6-V CT to 120-, 240-, or 480-V transformer for 60-Hz application.

## REGULATED CHARGE PUMP



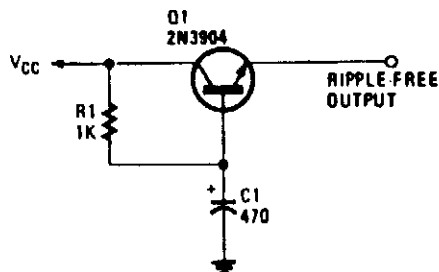
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 63-7

The dc-dc converter substitutes a voltage tripler in place of the external inductor and the diode that's typically associated with the switching regulator, IC1. Inverting and noninverting amplifiers in the MOS-FET-driver (IC2) activate a diode-capacitor tripling network (D1 through D3, C1 through C3).

A 50-kHz oscillator residing within IC1 produces the EXT signal (pin 6). IC2 converts this signal into drive signals ( $180^\circ$  out of phase) for the tripler. The resulting charge-discharge action in the capacitors recharges C3 toward 10 V every  $20 \mu\text{s}$ . The ferrite bead limits output ripple to about 20-mVpp for a 50-mA load. Conversion efficiency is about 70% for the 5-V input, 10-V output configuration.

## SIMPLE RIPPLE SUPPRESSOR

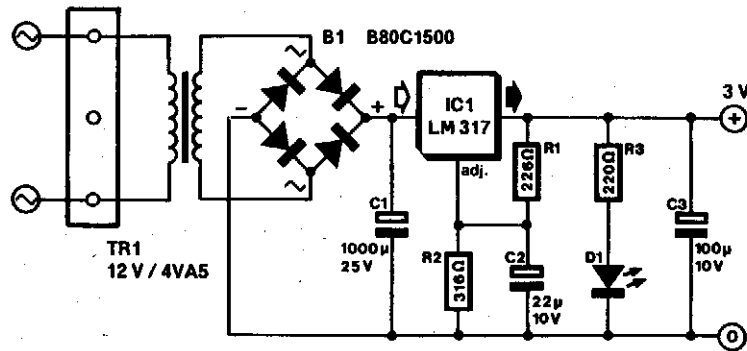


WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 63-8

This circuit, at times called a *capacitance multiplier*, is useful for suppressing power-supply ripple. C1 provides filtering equal to a capacitor of  $(B + 1) C_1$ , where  $B = \text{dc current gain of } Q1$  (typically  $> 50$ ).

### 3-V POWER SUPPLY FOR PORTABLE RADIOS



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

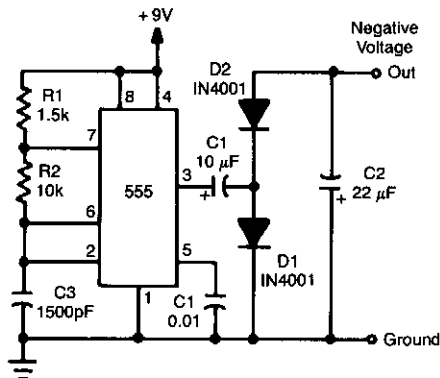
Fig. 63-9

Most small portable radios require a 3-V supply, which is normally provided by two AA or AAA batteries. Because rechargeable batteries are an option with many of these radios, most of them are fitted with a charger socket. When such radios are used in a stationary condition (e.g., in the kitchen or in the office), it is useful (and economical) to use the mains-operated supply described here.

The supply is small enough to be fitted inside the radio or in a mains adapter case (less than transformer). Voltage regulator IC1 is adjusted for an output of 3 V by resistors R1 and R2, which are decoupled by C2. Capacitor C3 provides additional filtering. Diode D1 indicates whether the unit has been connected to the mains. The diode also provides the load necessary for the regulator to function properly; in its absence, the secondary voltage of the transformer might become too high when the unit is not loaded.

The transformer should be a short-circuit-proof miniature type, which is rated at 12 V and 4.5 VA. The secondary voltage is slightly higher than needed for a radio, but this reserve is useful when the unit is used with a cassette or CD player. It is advisable to check the output voltage of the unit when it is switched on for the first time before connecting it to a radio or cassette player.

### NEGATIVE VOLTAGE FROM A POSITIVE SUPPLY

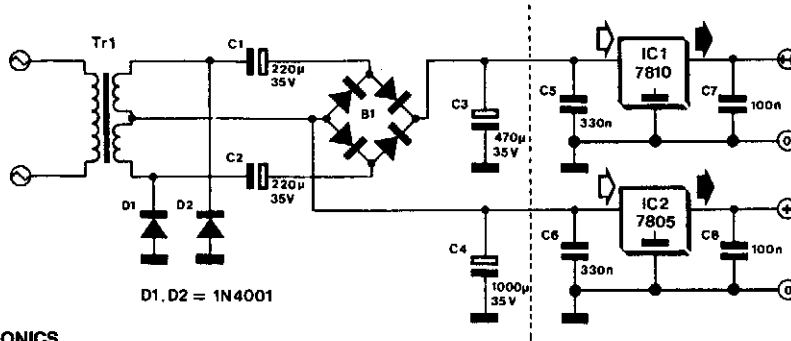


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Fig. 63-10

By using a 555 timer to generate a square wave and voltage-doubling the output, a negative voltage that is almost equal to the positive supply can be obtained. The current available is up to 20 to 30 mA or so, depending on the regulation and voltage needed.

## BRIDGE RECTIFIER



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**Fig. 63-11**

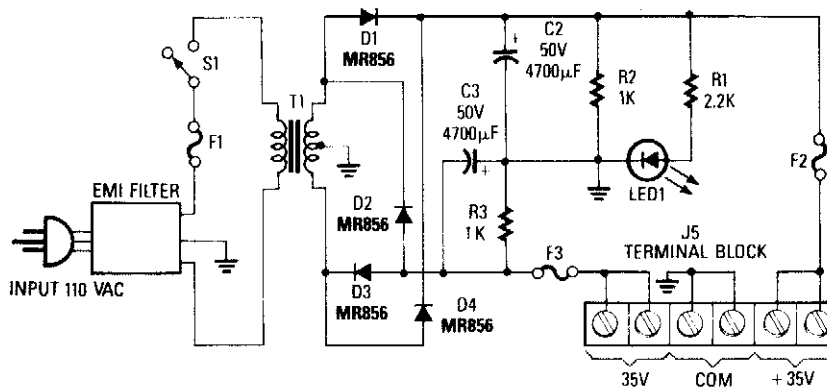
This bridge circuit is intended for those cases where two unequal supply voltages are required. The lower voltage is obtained with the aid of a transformer with symmetric windings and half-wave rectification of the potential across one winding.

For the higher voltage, the potential across both windings is rectified. To that end, the output of the transformer is linked to the bridge rectifier via two electrolytic capacitors that provide isolation of the two direct voltages.

A bonus with this type of circuit is that although the two supplies can be loaded unequally, the currents through the two transformer windings are the same. Thus, the transformer is loaded symmetrically so that its full capacity can be used. Moreover, no unnecessary dissipation is in the voltage regulators.

The load on the lower voltage supply depends primarily on the rating of the transformer. The load on the higher voltage supply is limited by the reactance of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  ( $= 1/2 \pi 50 C$ ) and the required minimum output voltage.

## ± 35-V SUPPLY FOR AUDIO AMPLIFIERS

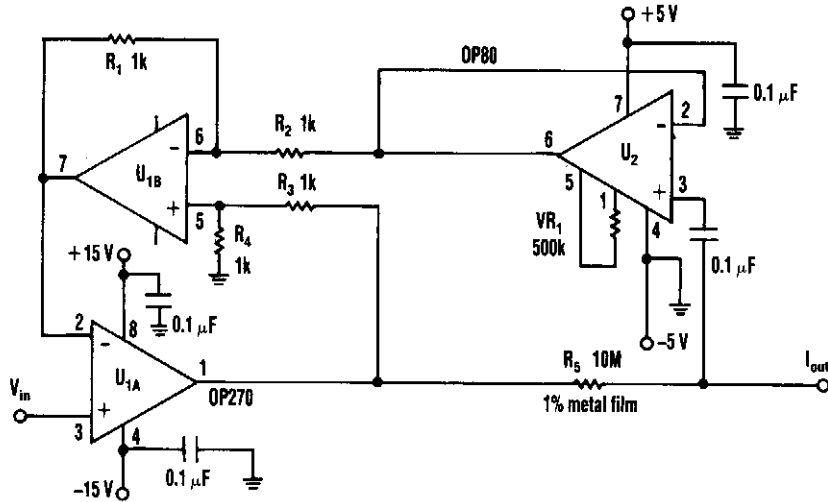


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**Fig. 63-12**

This supply will be found useful for operating various transistor AF power amplifiers in the 50- to 100-W output range. T1 = 120 V: 70 V CT at 5 A.

## PRECISE LOW-CURRENT SOURCE



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

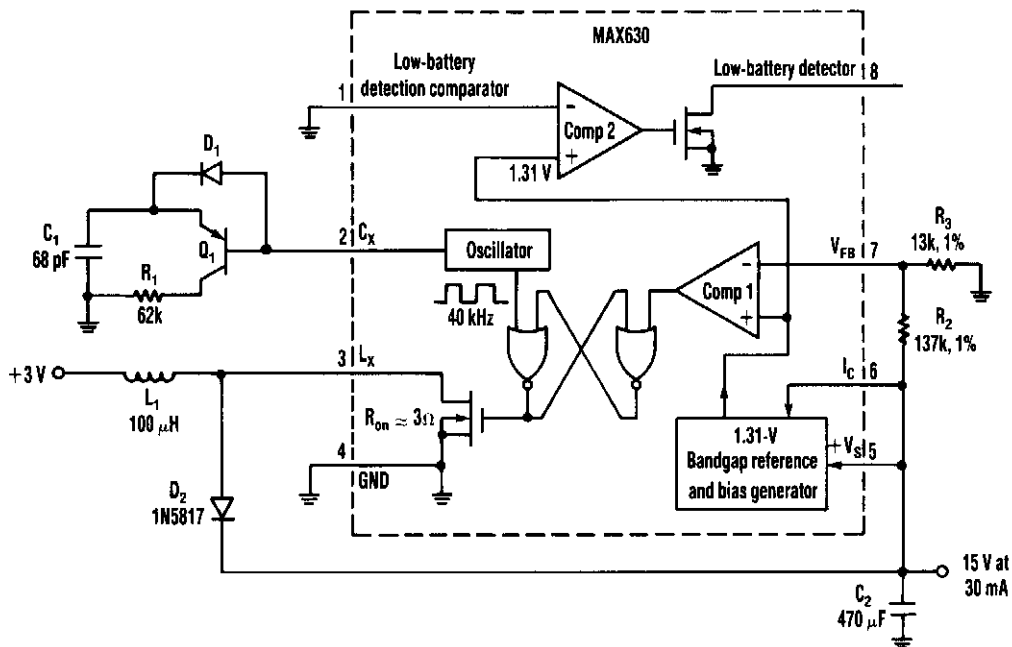
Fig. 63-13

A current source that attains a resolution as low as 10 pA is useful in applications where a precise, low-value current is needed. When the circuit forces current into ground, the output remains within 2% of the ideal current over the  $\pm 100\text{-nA}$  range. Over the  $-4\text{-}$  to  $+3.5\text{-V}$  compliance range, the error that appears is less than 5%. This accuracy results from using an OP80 op amp from Precision Monolithics in the feedback loop. The OP80 has an  $I_B$  of 200 mA typical.

For a given voltage ( $V_{in}$ ), amp U1A generates an output voltage so that the current through  $R_5$  equals  $V_{in}$  divided by  $R_5$  (10 M $\Omega$ ). This current causes a voltage drop across  $R_5$ , which is sensed by the unity-gain differential amp (U1B and U2). That amp's output is connected to the inverting input of U1A, completing the feedback loop.

The noise in the circuit is of particular concern, especially that produced by resistor  $R_5$ . The circuit is limited to low-frequency and dc applications as a result of its 400-n V/kHz noise. For applications that don't require the circuit's 10-pA output, lower values of  $R_5$  can be substituted. This will increase the bandwidth.

### 3- TO 15-V dc-dc CONVERTER

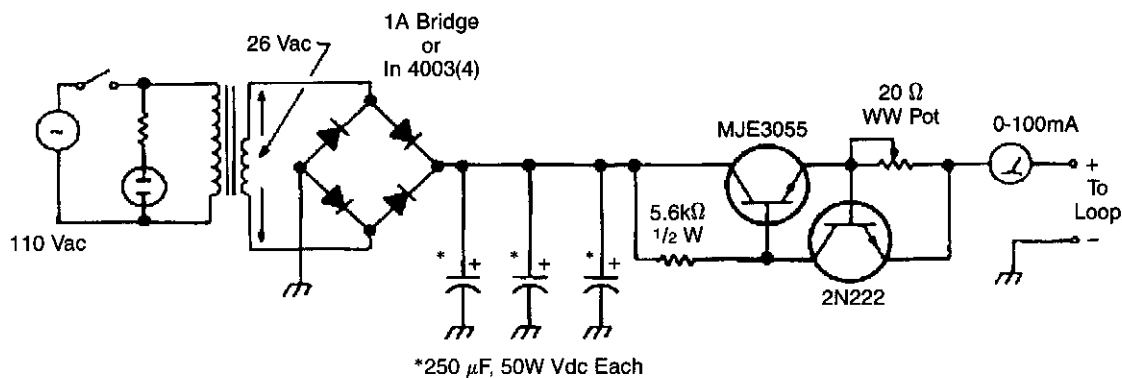


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 63-14

This circuit supplies 15 V at 30 mA from a 3-V source. The MAX630 IC is dc-dc converter, Q1 and D1 modify the duty cycle from 50% to 80% to optimize the output power.

### CURRENT SUPPLY FOR RTTY MACHINES

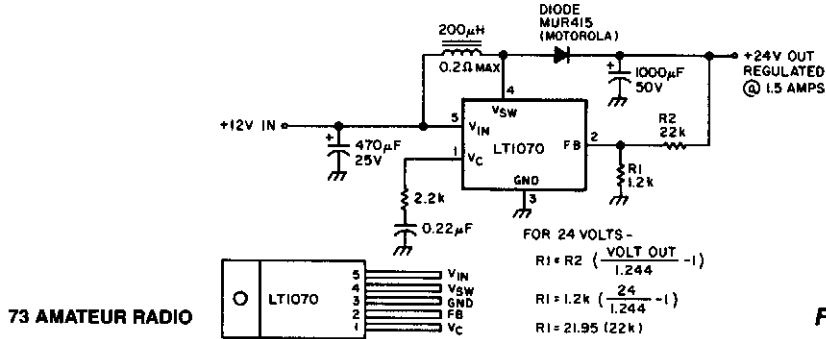


AMATEUR RADIO

Fig. 63-15

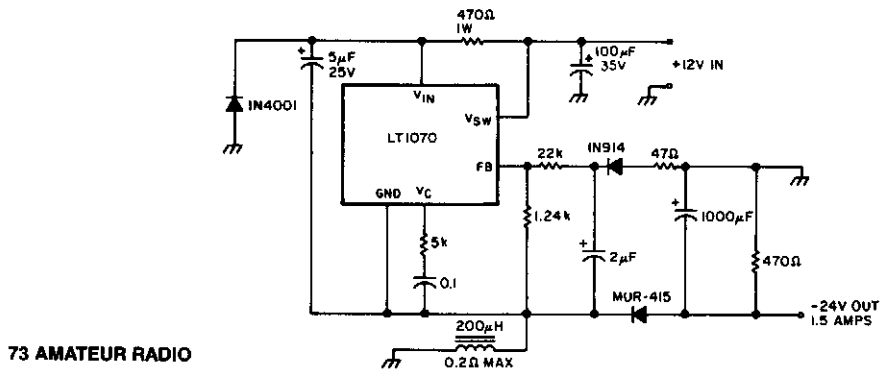
Suitable for powering an old Model 15 Teleprinter, this simple power supply uses few parts and is simple to construct. The 20-Ω pot adjusts loop current.

### +24-V 1.5-A SUPPLY FROM A +12-V SOURCE



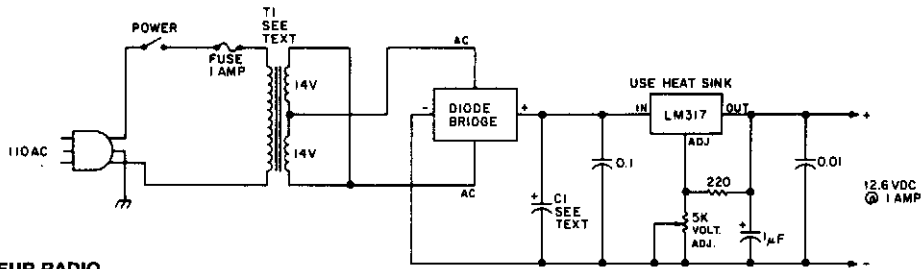
This switching regulator will produce 1.5 A at 24 V from a 12-V auto battery. It operates as a boost-switching supply using an LT 1070. The diode should be a fast-switching type because this regulator operates above 10 kHz.

### NEGATIVE SUPPLY FROM A +12-V SOURCE



This switching regulator will produce a -24-V/1.5-A source from a +12-V supply, for applications where a positive-grounded source is necessary.

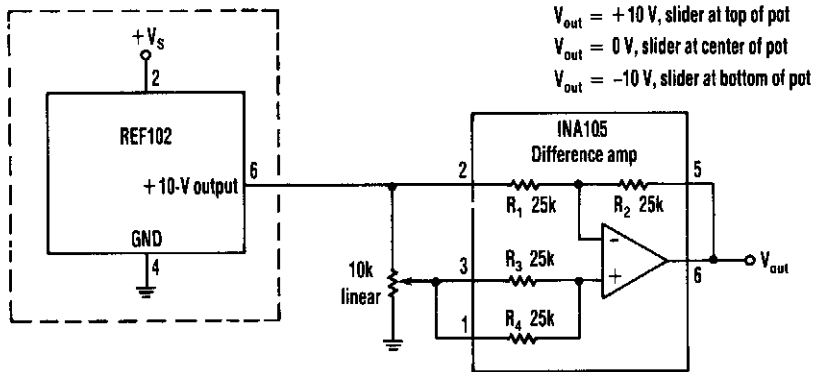
### 1-A 12-V REGULATED SUPPLY



Using a junked VCR power transformer, this circuit supplies 12 V at 1 A.



## POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

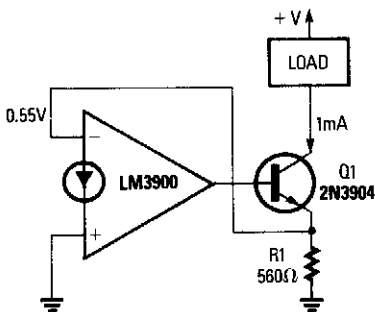
Fig. 63-19

This circuit provides a precision voltage source that can be adjusted through zero to positive and negative voltages, which eliminates reversing connections on the power supply. Also, it is possible to get exactly 0 V, without some offset.

As to how this circuit works, first consider the  $-1 \text{ V/V}$  to  $+1 \text{ V/V}$  linear gain-control amp (see the figure). A Burr-Brown INA105 difference amp is used in a unity-gain inverting amp configuration. A potentiometer is connected between the input and ground.

The pot's slider is connected to the noninverting input of the unity-gain amp; this input is typically connected to ground. With the slider at the bottom of the pot, the circuit is a normal-precision unity-gain inverting amp with a gain of  $-1.0 \text{ V/V} \pm 0.01\%$  maximum. With the slider at the top of the pot, the circuit is a normal-precision voltage follower with a gain of  $\pm 1.0 \text{ V/V} \pm 0.001\%$  maximum. With the slider in the center, there's equal positive and negative gain for a net gain of 0 V/V. The accuracy between the top and the bottom will usually be limited by the accuracy of the pot.

## 1-mA CURRENT SINK

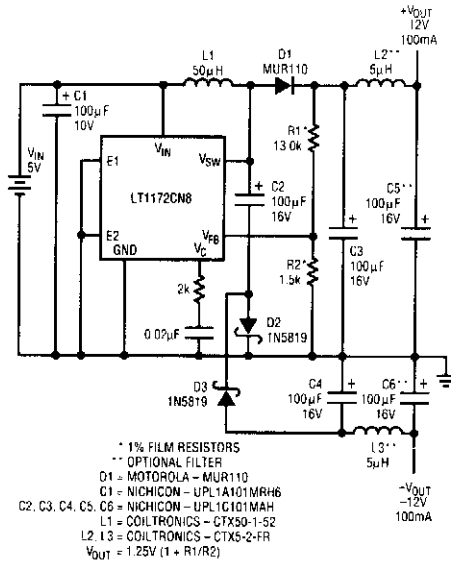


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Fig. 63-20

A fixed current flows through any load that is connected between the positive supply and Q1's collector. The noninverting terminal of the op amp is grounded, and negative feedback flows between the output of the circuit (Q1's emitter) and the inverting terminal. The voltage across R1 is thus equal to the voltage at the inverting terminal (approximately 0.55 V), so a fixed current of about 1 mA flows through the load, Q1's emitter, and R1.

## POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE VOLTAGE SWITCHING SUPPLY

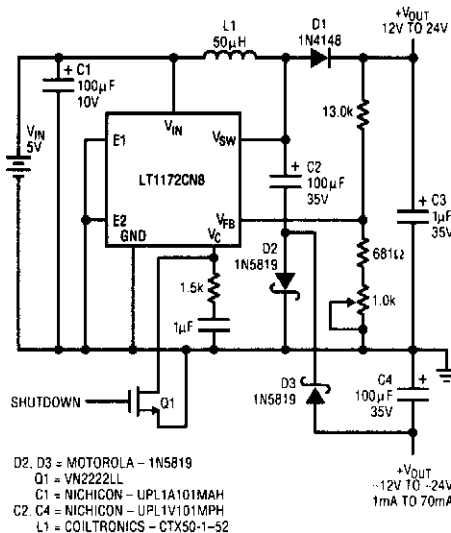


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Fig. 63-21

An LT1172 generates positive and negative voltages from a 5-V input. The LT1172 is configured as a step-up converter. To generate the negative output, a charge pump is used. C2 is charged by the inductor when D2 is forward-biased and discharges into C4 when LT1172's power switch pulls the positive side of C2 to ground.

## LCD DISPLAY CONTRAST CONTROL POWER SUPPLY

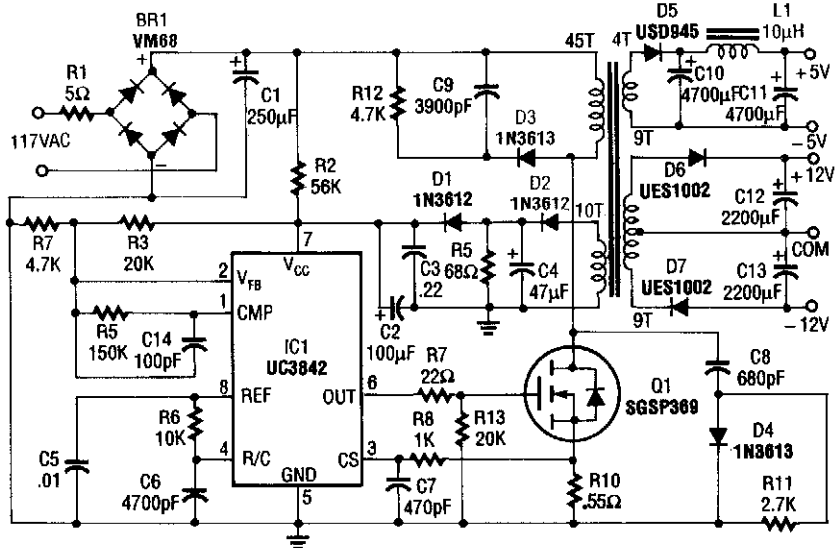


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 63-22

The LT1172 is configured as a step-up converter. C2 is charged by L1 and discharges into C4 when the LT1172's power switch goes to ground. Resistor R3 adjusts the output voltage between -12 and -24 V.

## 5- AND $\pm 12$ -V ac-POWERED SWITCHING SUPPLY

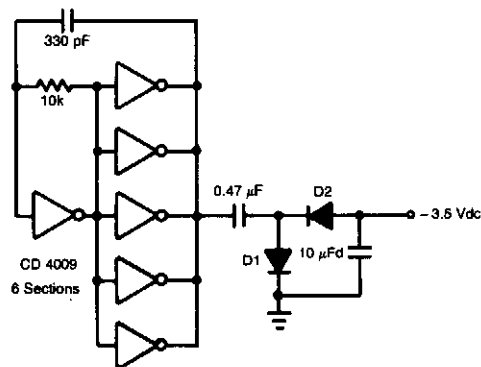


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 63-23

This supply uses an SGS-Thomson UC3842 IC in an off-line flyback regulator, providing +5 V at 4 A and  $\pm 12$  V at 300 mA. This enables a small high-frequency (50 kHz) transformer, to handle large amounts of power that are normally handled by a 60-Hz transformer. Q1 is a 5-A 500-V MOSFET, and the diodes are fast-recovery types. T1 has a 45-turn primary winding of #26 wire. The 12-V windings are each 9 turns of #30 wire, bifilar wound. The 5-V winding is 4 turns of four bifilar #26 wires. The control (feedback) winding is two bifilar, parallel 10-turn, #30 windings. The core is Ferroxcube EC35-3C8 with a  $3/8$ " center leg.

## AUXILIARY NEGATIVE dc SUPPLY FOR BIAS OR REFERENCE APPLICATIONS

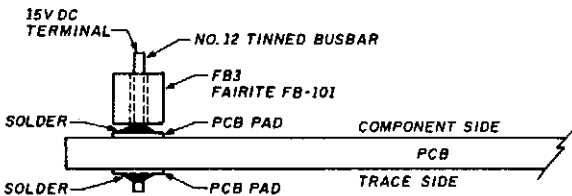
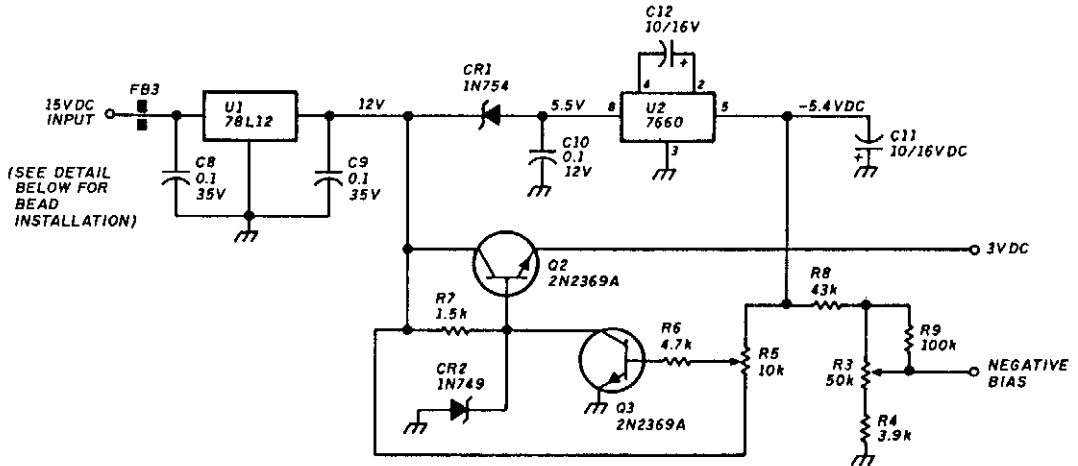


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Fig. 63-24

In this circuit, IC1 (CD4009) is used as a square-wave oscillator at approximately 25 kHz. C1 and R1 set this frequency. C2, D1, D2, and C3 form a p-p rectifier, which outputs about  $-3.5$  Vdc. This circuit should be useful where a small negative dc supply is required, but only positive dc voltages are available.

## GASFET POWER SUPPLY

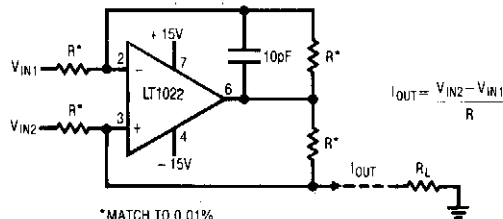


HAM RADIO

Fig. 63-25

Suitable for use with the GASFET doubler in this text, and other similar applications, this supply delivers +3 Vdc and 0 to -3 Vdc bias.

## FAST DIFFERENTIAL INPUT CURRENT SOURCE



\*MATCH TO 0.01%  
 FULL-SCALE POWER BANDWIDTH  
 = 1MHz FOR  $I_{OUT}R = 8V_{p-p}$   
 = 400kHz FOR  $I_{OUT}R = 20V_{p-p}$   
 MAXIMUM  $I_{OUT} = 10mA_{p-p}$

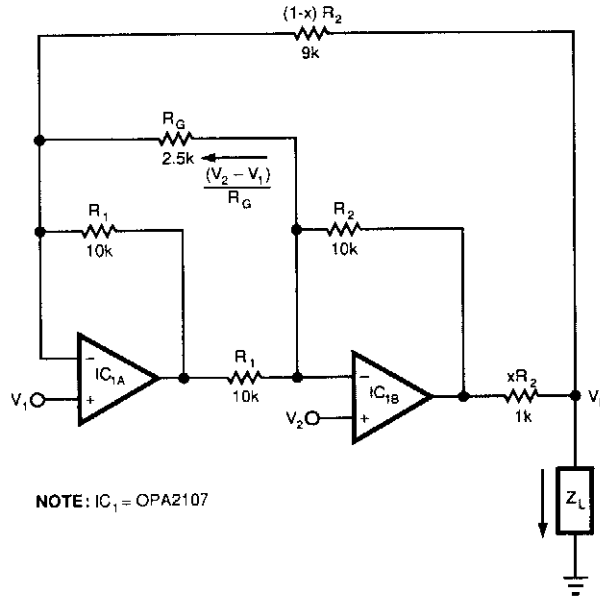
COMMON-MODE VOLTAGE AT LT1022 INPUT =  $\frac{I_{OUT} \times R_L}{2}$

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 63-26

An LT1022 op amp used in this configuration can provide a rapidly switched current source. Use the equations in the figure to select component values.

## BOOTSTRAPPED AMP CURRENT SOURCE

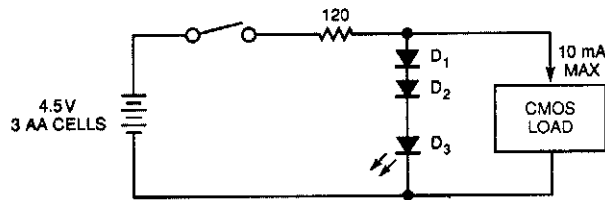


EDN

Fig. 63-27

This circuit responds to the difference between  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .  $R_G$  sets gain. Resistors  $xR_2$  and  $(1-x)R_2$  produce the bootstrap effect. These two resistors convert the circuit's output voltage to a current. IC1 and IC2 are Burr-Brown OPA2107 or equal.

## DIODE CMOS STABILIZER



### Voltage regulation

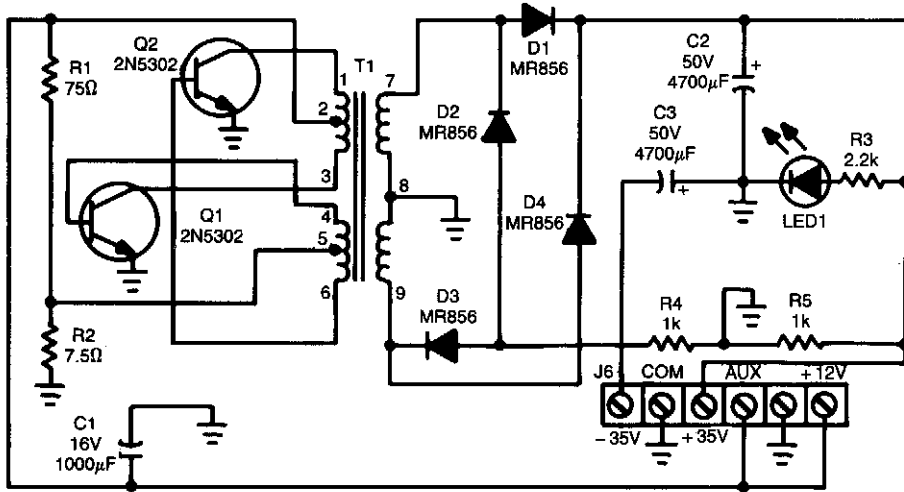
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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Input  | 4.5 V  | 4 V    | 3.5 V  | 3.2 V  | 3 V    | 2.8 V |
| Output | 3.28 V | 3.21 V | 3.14 V | 3.05 V | 2.94 V | 2.8 V |
| LED    | on     | on     | on     | on     | on     | off   |

EDN

Fig. 63-28

The simple diode network can stabilize the voltage supplied to CMOS circuitry from a battery. D1 and D2 must have a combined forward-voltage drop of about 1.5 V. And D3 is an LED with a forward-voltage drop of about 1.7 V. The table shows the network's output voltage as the battery's voltage declines.

## MOBILE $\pm 35$ -V 5-A AUDIO AMPLIFIER SUPPLY



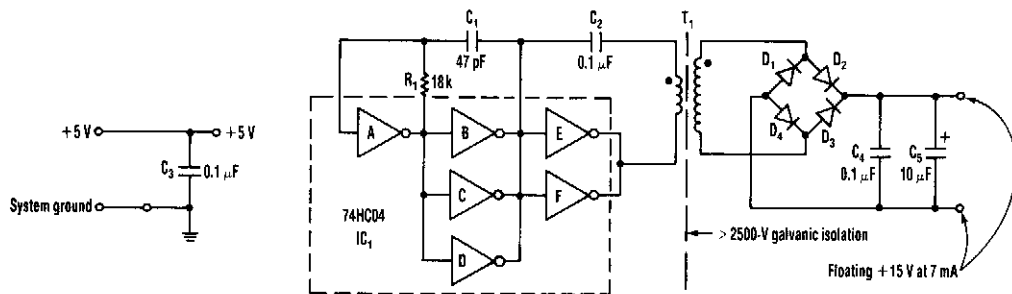
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 63-29

This  $\pm 35$ -V supply uses a two-transistor multivibrator with a toroidal transformer. The transformer core is obtainable from Magnetics, Inc. Specifications for T1 are:

|            |                                     |  |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Core       | 1 mil tape wound<br>Magnetics, Inc. | 1.460" $\times$ 0.915" $\times$ 0.345"<br>P/N 50029 ID |
| Primary    | 14T CT                              | #12 AWG  |
| Base Drive | 7T CT                               | #18 AWG  |
| Secondary  | 19T CT                              | #12 AWG  |

## ISOLATED 15-V TO 2 500-V SUPPLY

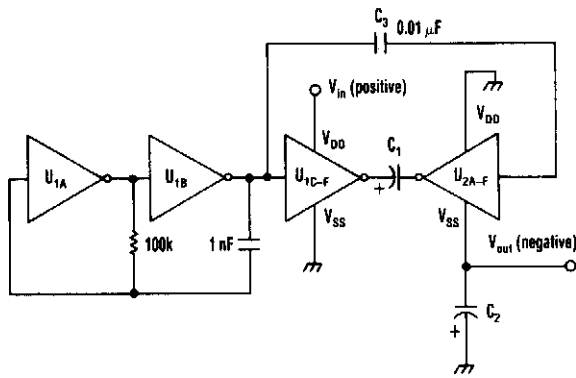


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

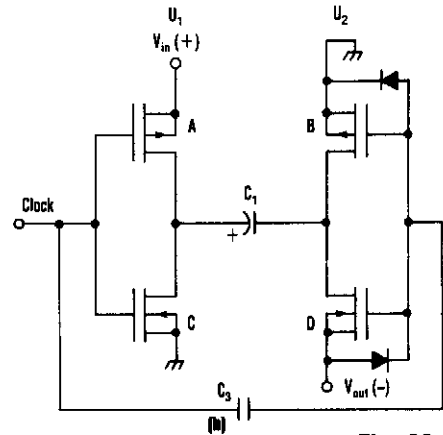
Fig. 63-30

A dc-dc converter using a 74HC04 drives T1. T1 is a ferrite-core transformer using a Fair-Rite, Inc. P/N 5975000201 ( $\mu_o + 5000$ ) and has a 7-turn primary and a 25-turn secondary. Kynar, #30 wirewrap wire is used. With T1, the circuit isolation is good to 2 500 V.

## GET NEGATIVE RAIL WITH CMOS GATES



(a)



(b)

Fig. 63-31

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Using a charge pump and oscillator, this circuit uses a 7-kHz oscillator. When the clock is high, C and D are on, grounding the positive side of C1 and making negative voltage available at the  $V_{SS}$  terminal of U2. With  $C = C_1 + C_2$ , the p-p output ripple is:

$$V_{pp} \text{ ripple} = \frac{V_{in}}{2RFC}$$

Converter output impedance is about 100  $\Omega$  and maximum current is 10 mA dc.

## 3-A SWITCHING REGULATOR

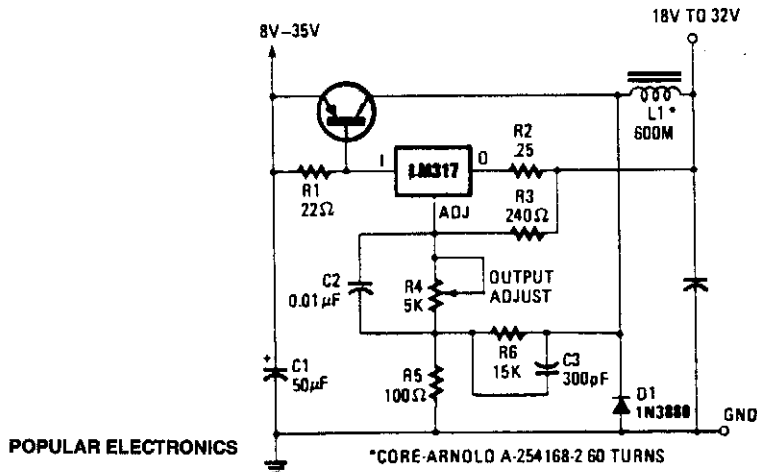


Fig. 63-32

This switching regulator uses an LM317 and a pnp switching transistor of 3- to 5-A rating. L1 is wound on a commercially available core.

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## Power Supplies (High-Voltage)

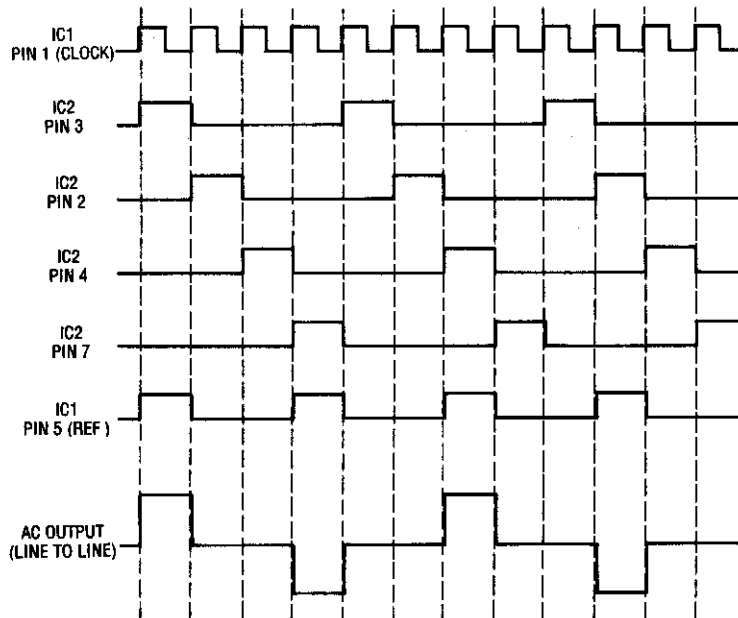
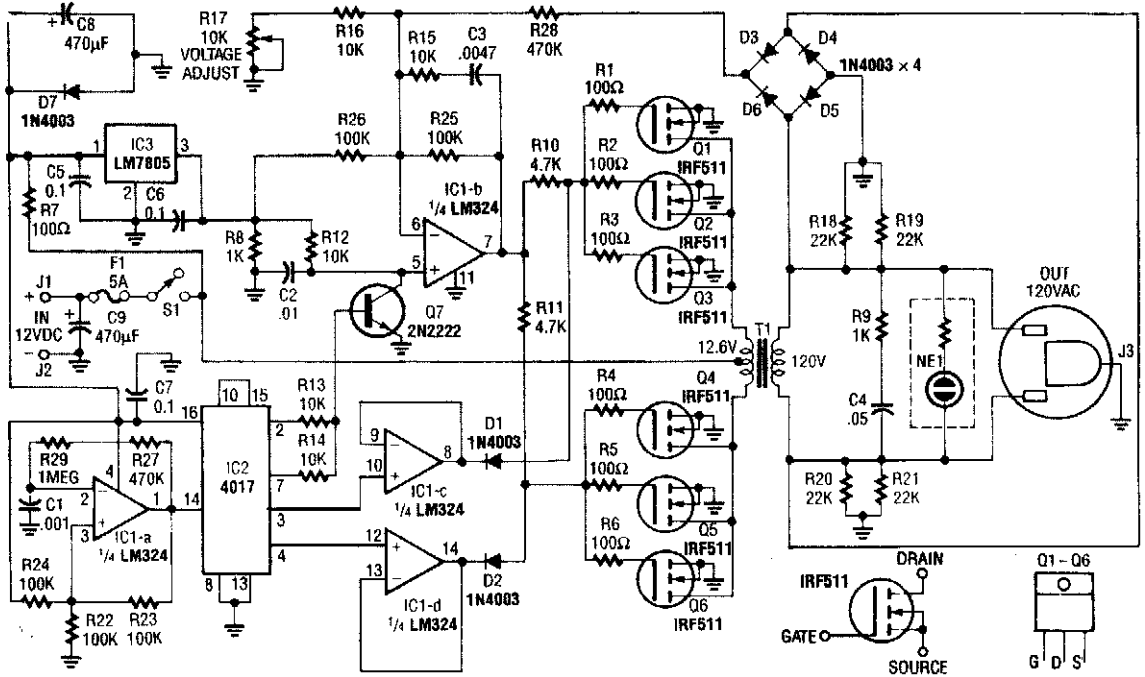
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 674. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

40-W 120-Vac Inverter  
Cold-Cathode Fluorescent-Lamp Supply  
High-Voltage Pulse Supply  
High-Voltage Generator  
Strobe Power Supply



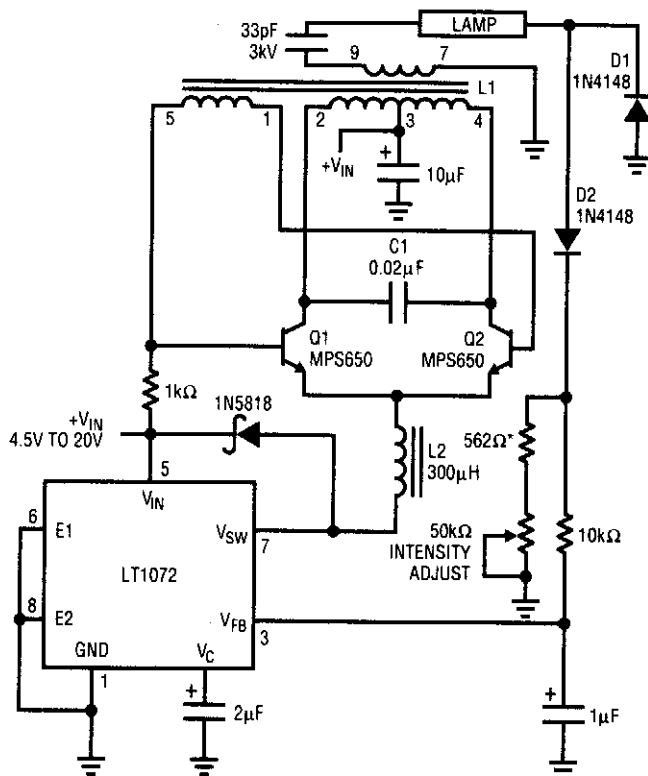
## 40-W 120-Vac INVERTER



## 40-W 120-Vac INVERTER (Cont.)

This inverter uses a 12.6-V to 120-V transformer to deliver a quasi-sine wave that has the same rms and peak voltage as a pure sine wave. Q1 to Q6 must be heatsinked. A 1.5" × 4" aluminum heatsink was used on the prototype. The transformer should be a 3-A unit. The circuit uses feedback to help regulate the output voltage to 120 Vac. Notice that the output frequency is 75 Hz to avoid saturating the core of T1.

### COLD-CATHODE FLUORESCENT-LAMP SUPPLY



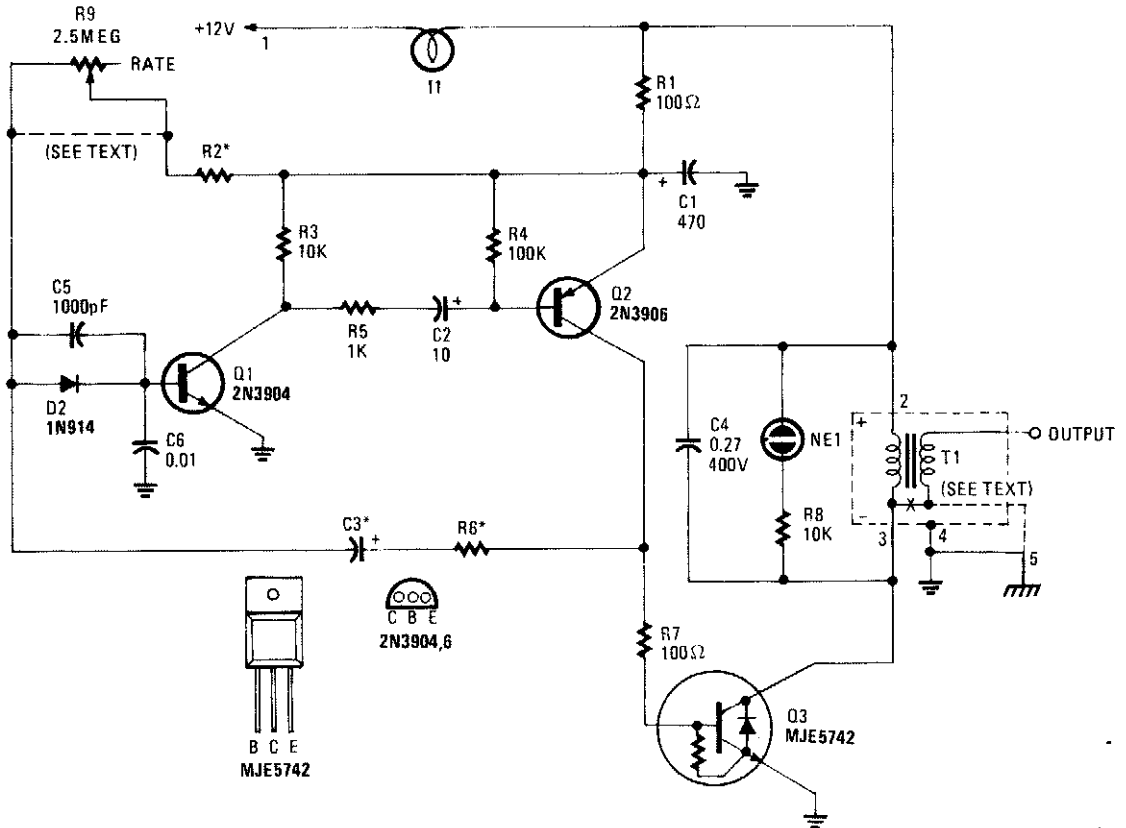
- C1 = MUST BE A LOW LOSS CAPACITOR.  
METALIZED POLYCARB  
WIMA FPK 2 (GERMAN) RECOMMENDED.
- L1 = SUMIDA 6345-020 OR COILTRONIX CTX110092-1.  
PIN NUMBERS SHOWN FOR COILTRONIX UNIT
- L2 = COILTRONIX CTX300-4
- \* = 1% FILM RESISTOR
- DO NOT SUBSTITUTE COMPONENTS

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 64-2

For back-lit LCD displays, this supply will drive a lamp. LT1072 drives Q1 and Q2, and a sine wave appears across C1. L1 is a transformer that steps up this voltage to about 1400 V. D1 and D2 detect lamp current and form a feedback loop to the LT1072 to control lamp brightness.

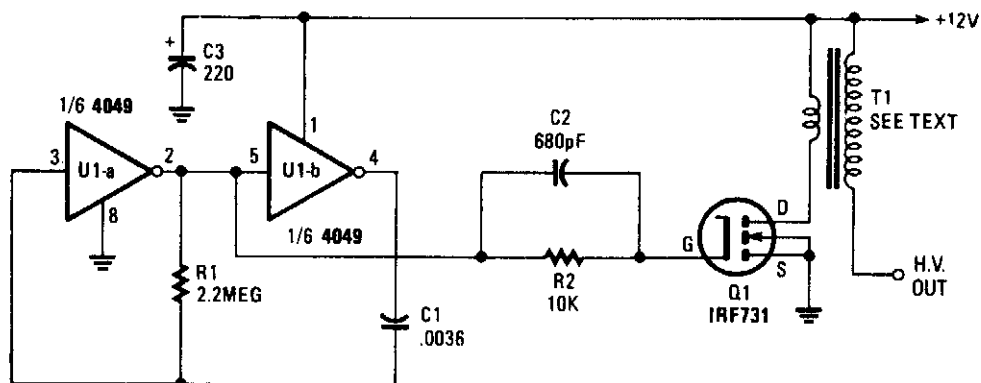
## HIGH-VOLTAGE PULSE SUPPLY



This high-voltage pulse supply will generate pulses up to 30 kV. Q1 and Q2 form a multivibrator in conjunction with peripheral components R1 through R6 and C1, C2, C3, C5, C6, and D2. R9 adjusts the pulse repetition rate. R2 should be selected to limit the maximum repetition rate to 20 Hz. I1 is a type 1156 lamp used as a current limiter. R9 can be left out and R2 selected to produce a fixed rate, if desired. Try about 1 MΩ as a start.

Q3 serves as a power amplifier and switch to drive T1 (an automotive ignition coil). NE1 is used as a pulse indicator and indicates circuit operation. Because this circuit can develop up to 30 kV, suitable construction techniques and safety precautions should be observed.

### HIGH-VOLTAGE GENERATOR

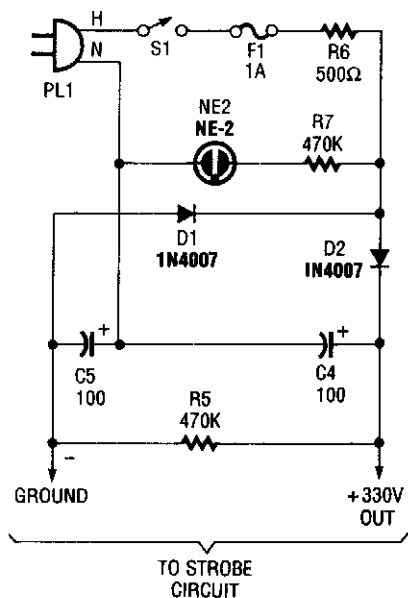


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Fig. 64-4

A 4049 Hex inverter drives an IRF731 hex FET. The 4049 is configured as an oscillator. Q1 should be heatsinked. T1 is an auto ignition coil.

### STROBE POWER SUPPLY



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 64-5

This 330-V power supply is a simple voltage doubler which provides 330 Vdc for a strobe circuit. This supply is not isolated from the power lines and extreme caution is advised.

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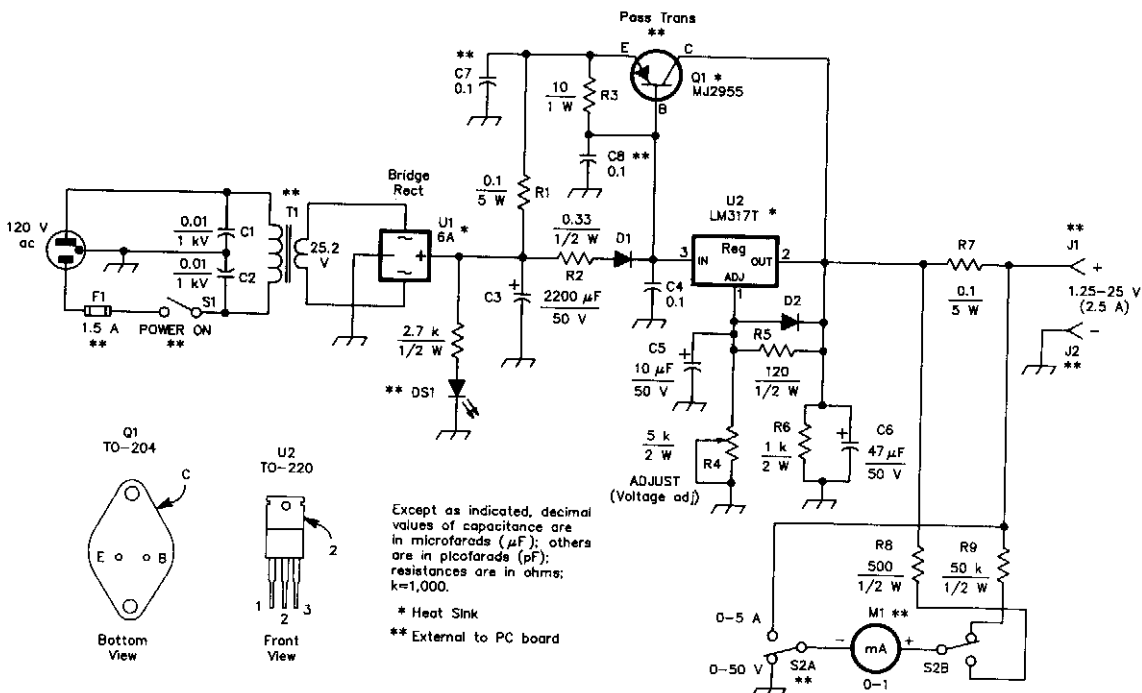
## Power Supplies (Variable)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 674. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

2.5-A/1.25-to 25-V Regulated Power Supply  
Dual 0-to 50-V/5-A Universal Power Supply  
Step Variable dc Supply  
SCR Variable dc Power Supply  
Switch-Selected Fixed-Voltage Power Supply  
Transformerless Power Supply  
Voltage-Programmable Current Source  
Simple Darlington Regulator  
0-to 50-V Variable Regulator

## 2.5-A/1.25-to 25-V REGULATED POWER SUPPLY



D1, D2—1-A, 100-PIV rectifier diode.

DS1—Red LED.

F1—1.5-A, 3AG fuse in chassis-mount holder.

J1, J2—Standard five-way binding post, one red, one black.

M1—Milliammeter, 0-1 mA dc.

Q1—NPN power transistor MJ2955 (Radio Shack) or equiv device with a +70-V, 10-A, 150-W rating in a TO-204 case.

R1, R2, R7—5-W wire-wound resistor. See Notes 3 and 4 for source, or, use 17 inches of no. 28 enam wire, single-layer wound, on a 10-k $\Omega$ , 1-W carbon-composition resistor for R1 and R7. For R2, use 36 inches of no. 30 enam wire on a 10-k $\Omega$ , 1-W carbon composition resistor (scramble wound).

R4—Panel-mount, 5-k $\Omega$ , 2-W or 5-W potentiometer, carbon or wire wound (See Note 8).

R8, R9—See text.

S1—SPST toggle switch.

S2—DPDT toggle or rotary wafer switch.

T1—25.2-V, 2.75-A power transformer (see text).

U1—6-A, 200 PIV bridge rectifier with heat sink. See text.

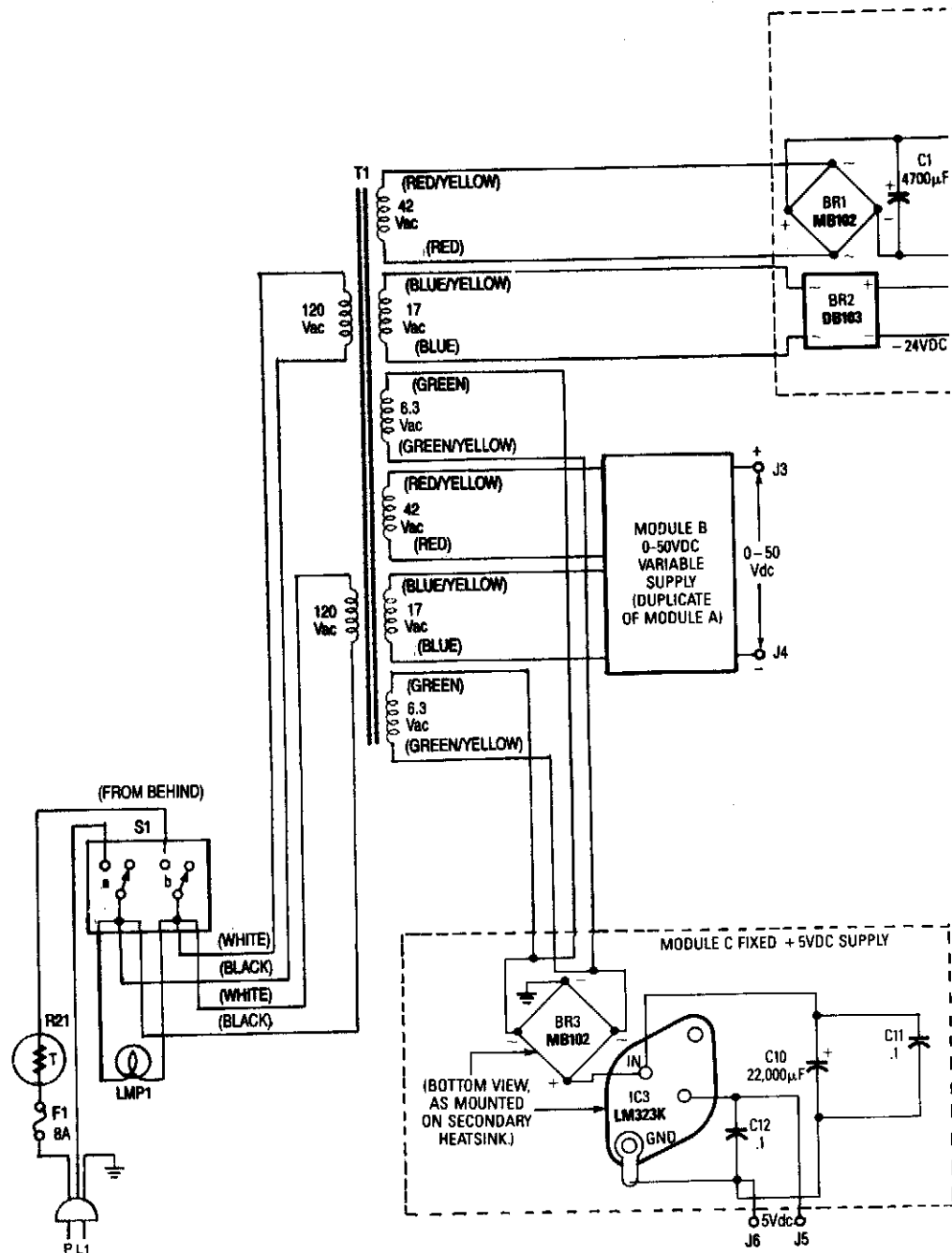
U2—LM317T + 1.25- to 30-V, 1.5-A TO-220 regulator. Use an LM317HVK (TO-204 case) for dc output voltage greater than 40. See text.

QST

Fig. 65-1

This power supply uses an LM317J adjustable regulator and an MJ2955 pass transistor. Q1 and U2 as well as U1 should be heatsinked. A suitable heatsink would typically be 4"  $\times$  4"  $\times$  1" fins, extruded type, because up to 65 W dissipation can occur. R8 and R9 should be 1% types or selected from 5% film types with an accurate ohmmeter. Capacitors are disc ceramic except for those with polarity marked, which are electrolytic.

## DUAL 0-to 50-V/5-A UNIVERSAL POWER SUPPLY



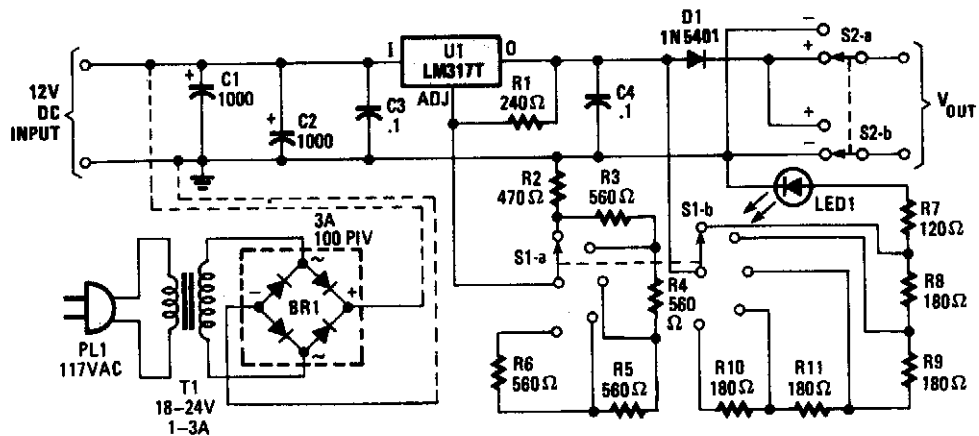
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Fig. 65-2





## STEP VARIABLE dc SUPPLY

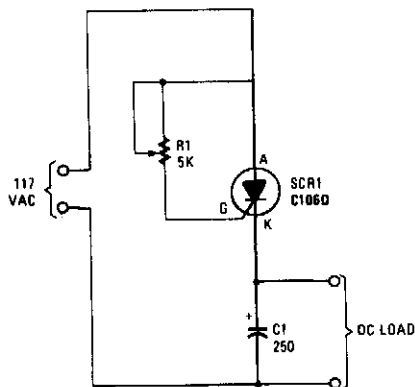


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-3

Intended as a replacement for generally poorly regulated "wall-type" ac/dc adapters, this circuit offers superior performance to simple, unregulated adapters. Voltages of 3, 6, 9, and 12 V are available. The DPDT switch serves as a polarity-reversal switch. R2 through R6 can be replaced with a 2.5-k $\Omega$  pot for a variable voltage of 1 to 12 V. R7 through R10 can be replaced by a fixed resistor of about 1 k $\Omega$  if the LED1 brightness variation with output voltage is not a problem.

## SCR VARIABLE dc POWER SUPPLY

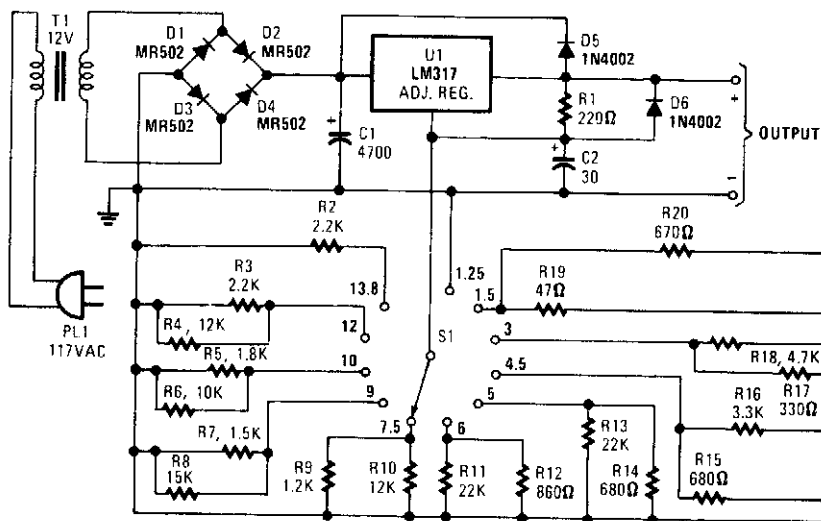


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-4

By adjusting the SCR trigger point, a form of phase control can be obtained from an SCR, which produces a dc output, depending on the conduction angle.

## SWITCH-SELECTED FIXED-VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-5

This supply can serve as a battery eliminator for various devices (such as tape recorders, small radios, clocks, etc.).

S1 selects a resistance that is predetermined to provide a preselected output voltage. In this circuit, various commonly used supply voltages produced by batteries were chosen, but any voltages up to the rating of T1 (approximately) can be produced by choosing an appropriate resistor.

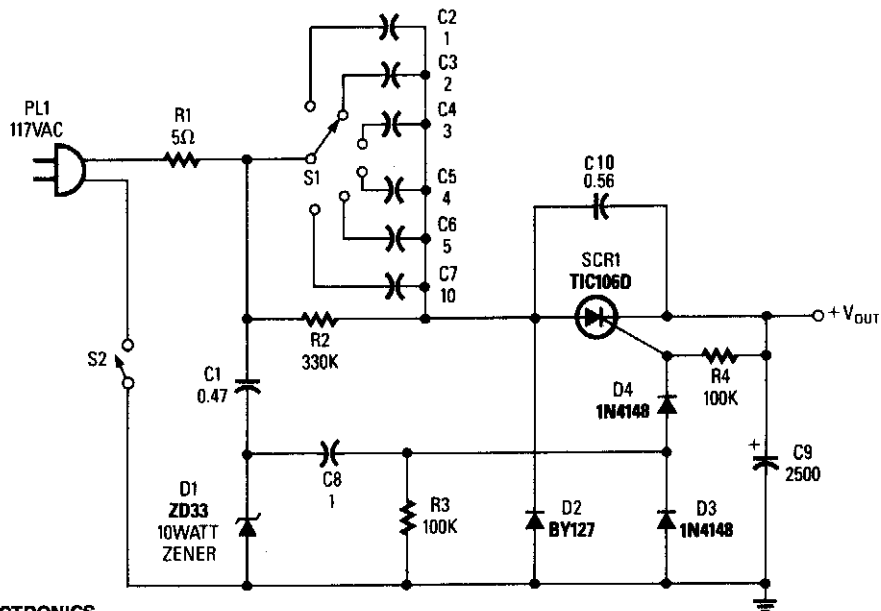
The resistor value is given by:

$$R_x = R_1 \left( \frac{V_{OUT}}{1.25} - 1 \right)$$

$$R_1 = 220 \Omega$$

Remember to provide adequate heatsinking for U1.

## TRANSFORMERLESS POWER SUPPLY



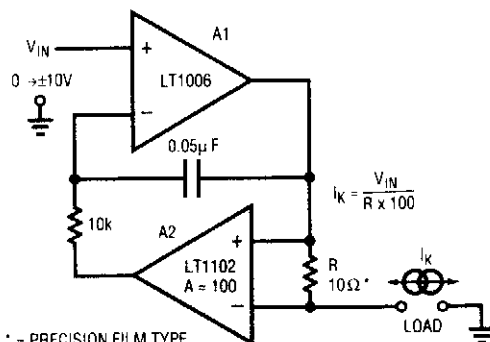
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-6

By selecting capacitors, various voltages can be obtained from this supply. Notice that C2 through C7 must be nonpolarized capacitors, such as oil-filled or foil types (Mylar) rated for at least 250 Vac.

**Warning:** This supply is not isolated from the ac mains and presents a serious safety hazard if body contact is made anywhere to this circuit or anything that is powered by it. Use only for applications where contact is avoided or impossible.

## VOLTAGE-PROGRAMMABLE CURRENT SOURCE

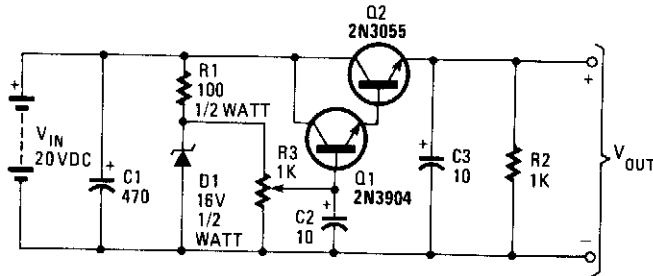


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY \* = PRECISION FILM TYPE

Fig. 65-7

This circuit is a programmable current source in which op amp LT1102 (Linear Technology Corp.) is used in conjunction with LT1006 op amp. A1, biased by  $V_{in}$ , drives current through R (10  $\Omega$ ) and the load. A2 senses this current and controls A1. The 10-k $\Omega$  resistor and 0.05- $\mu$ F capacitor sets the frequency response of the circuit.

## SIMPLE DARLINGTON REGULATOR

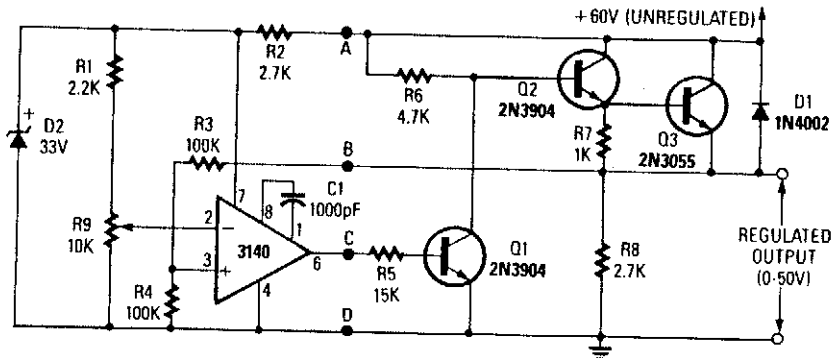


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-8

A Darlington pair is used as an emitter-follower that produces about 1.2 V less than the wiper voltage of R3. Output voltage for this circuit will range from close to zero to about 14.5 V.

## 0-TO-50-V VARIABLE REGULATOR



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 65-9

A CA3140 op amp compares the regulator output to a reference voltage, depending on the setting of R9. The output voltage will be nominally twice the voltage between the plus input of the CA3140 and ground. R1 and R9 allow 0 to 50 V.

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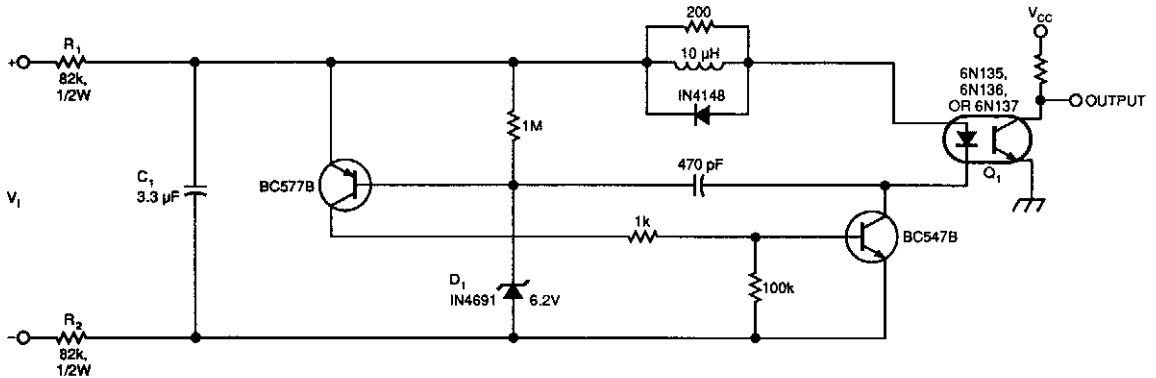
## Power-Supply Monitors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 674. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Isolated Voltage Sensor  
Circuit Breaker Tripper  
Backup Supply Activates by Drop-In Main Supply  
Constant-Current Test Load  
Power Buffer Boosts Reference Current  
Power Supply Monitor/Memory Protector  
Tube Amplifier Isolates High Voltages  
Triac ac-Voltage Control  
Polarity-Protection Relay

## ISOLATED VOLTAGE SENSOR



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**Fig. 66-1**

A simple voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO), coupled to your instrumentation by an optoisolator, allows you to measure high voltages. The component values suit a 0- to 600-V input range (power dissipation in R1 and R2 set a limit on the input-voltage range). The circuit's linearity is not an issue, because you can linearize its output in software.

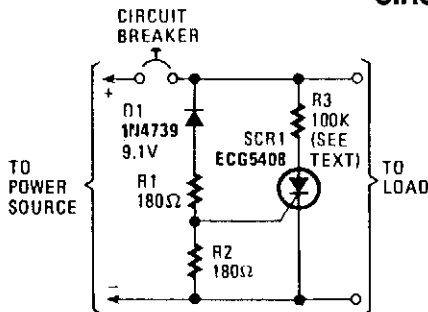
The input voltage ( $V_1$ ), charges capacitor C1 until zener diode D1 conducts. Then, the zener diode triggers an "avalanche" circuit that discharges C1 into optocoupler Q1. After C1 discharges, the charging cycle repeats. C1 also averages the sensed-voltage level, which thereby provides noise immunity.

The optocoupler's output is a pulse train whose frequency increases with increasing input voltage. To develop a linearizing equation for the circuit, measure its output at two convenient, widely spaced input voltages. Then plug the resulting periods into this second-order polynomial approximation and solve the two simultaneous equations for the two constants,  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ :

$$V_1 = [k_1/T^2 + (k_2/T) + V_z]$$

$V_z$  is the zener voltage of D1.

## CIRCUIT BREAKER TRIPPER

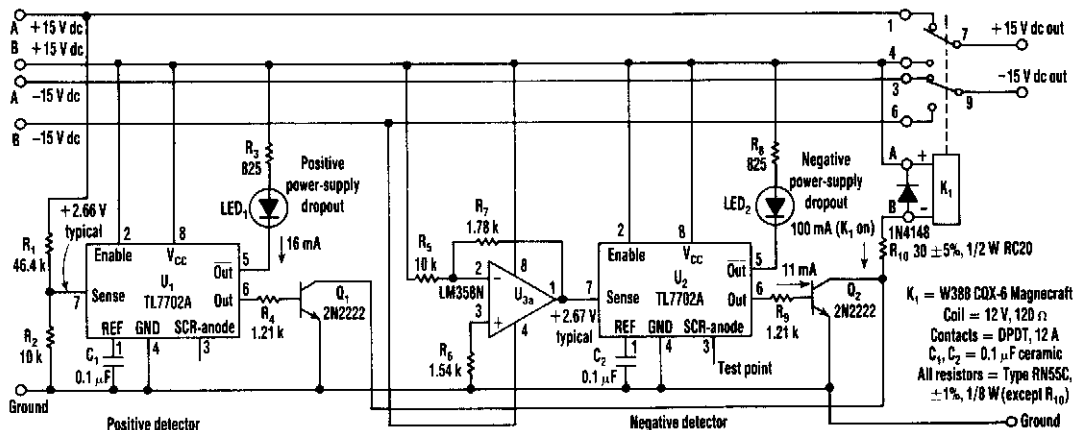


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 66-2**

This tripper is designed to protect against overvoltages. D1 conducts over 9.1 V and triggers SCR1. R3 is chosen to draw enough current to trip the breaker.

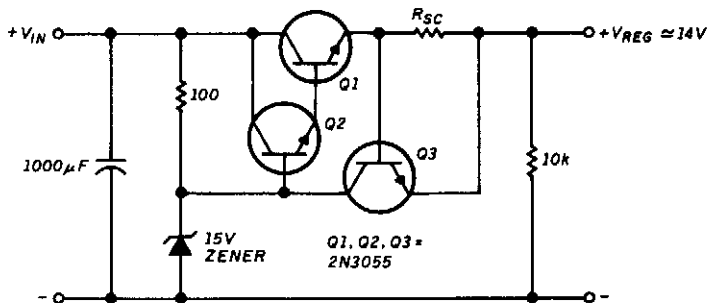
## BACKUP SUPPLY ACTIVATES BY DROP-IN MAIN SUPPLY



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

A supply monitor using two TL7702A chips monitors the ±15-V supplies and activates the backup supply in case of a voltage drop. Although the chips are intended for use as reset controllers in microprocessor systems, they work well in this application.

## CONSTANT-CURRENT TEST LOAD

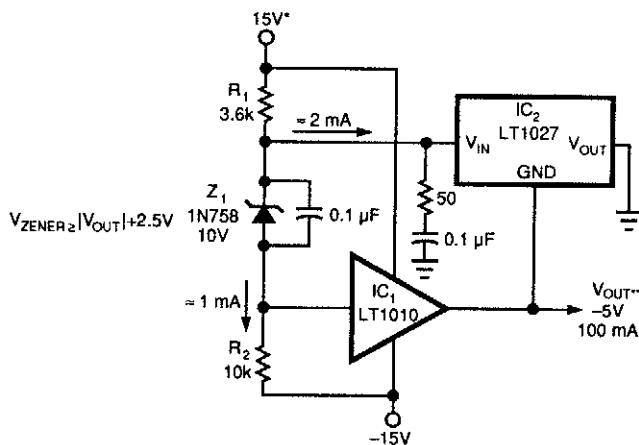


HAM RADIO

**Fig. 66-4**

This circuit will supply a constant load of 500 mA to 1.5 A. R4 controls the current while R3 provides fine adjustment.

## POWER BUFFER BOOSTS REFERENCE CURRENT



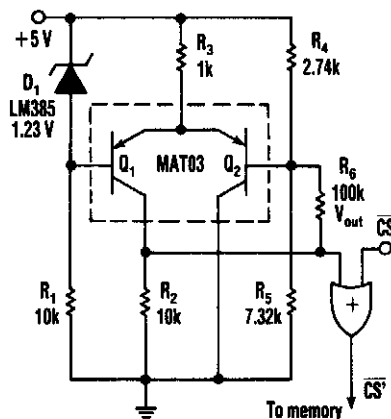
**NOTES:**  
 \* = BYPASS SUPPLIES WITH 10  $\mu$ F AND 0.1  $\mu$ F CAPACITORS  
 \*\* = OUTPUT WILL OSCILLATE WITH LOW ESR CAPACITORS

EDN

Fig. 66-5

A method of boosting the output current of a reference and also protecting against overloads is shown in Fig. 66-5. IC1 acts as a power buffer. The LT1027 forces the output of  $V_{OUT}$  and ground to be 5 V. The RC damper (50  $\Omega$  and 0.1  $\mu$ F) provides loop stability. The output might oscillate if low ESR capacitors are connected to it, so use aluminum electrolytic or tantalum capacitors instead of ceramic or mylar.

## POWER SUPPLY MONITOR/MEMORY PROTECTOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 66-6

This circuit detects low-voltage supply conditions, down to 0.6 V. D1 sets the trip point of the circuit. The circuit is useful to protect memory circuits from accidental writes in the event of power-supply low-voltage conditions, which cause other circuits to turn off, etc. Response time is about 700 ns. R6 provides some hysteresis to ensure clean transitions.



## TUBE AMPLIFIER ISOLATES HIGH VOLTAGES

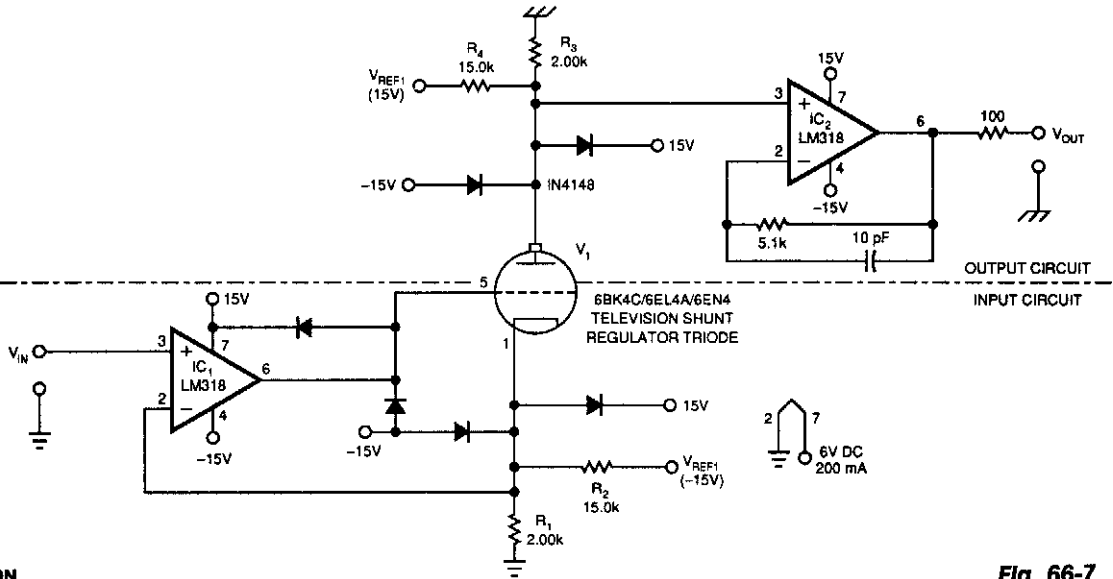


Fig. 66-7

This amplifier can transfer dc-to 5-MHz signals across a potential difference of 25 000 V. This circuit can be used in CRT displays, high-voltage applications, etc. Notice that the tube must be shielded because the tube will generate X-rays. Typically, about 0.1"-thick sheet metal would be used.

## TRIAC ac-VOLTAGE CONTROL

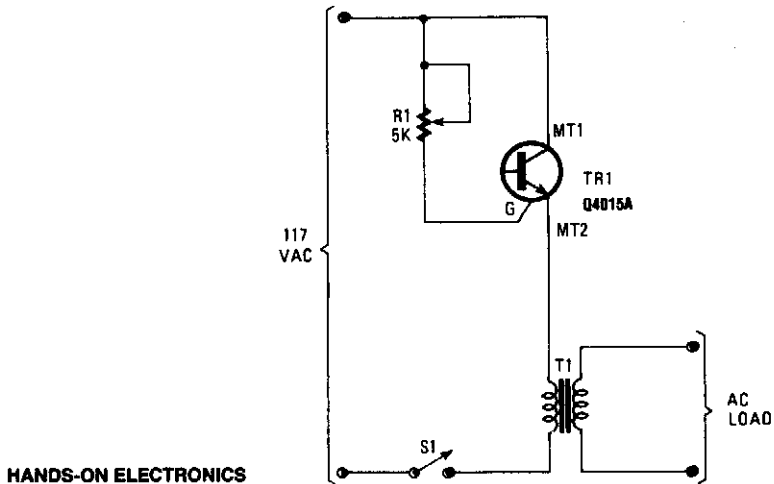
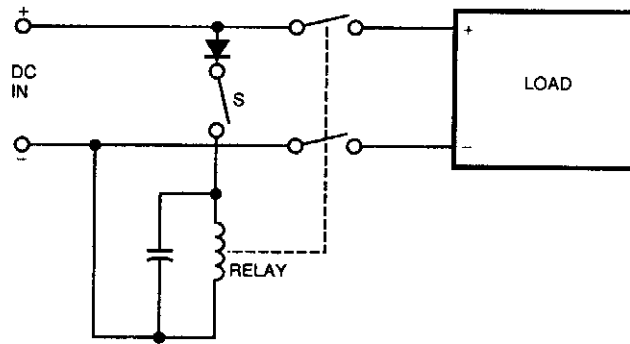


Fig. 66-8

By using a variable resistor in the gate of TR1, variable conduction angles can be achieved via R1.

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### POLARITY-PROTECTION RELAY



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Fig. 66-9

A diode prevents the relay from applying power if polarity is reversed.

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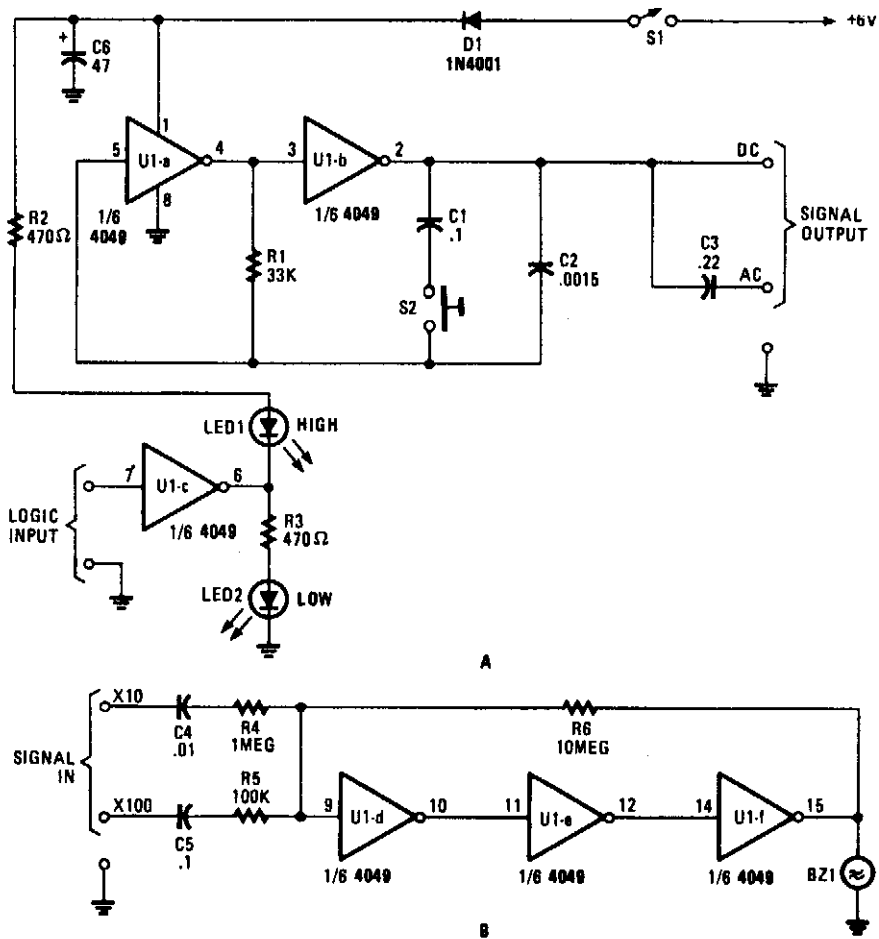
## Probes

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- 3-In-1 Test Set (Logic Probe, Signal Tracer, and Injector)
- Logic Tester
- Universal Test Probe
- 4-Way Logic Probe
- Active RF Detector Probe
- Single-IC Logic Probe
- Logic Probe
- Logic Probe

### 3-IN-1 TEST SET (LOGIC PROBE, SIGNAL TRACER, AND INJECTOR)

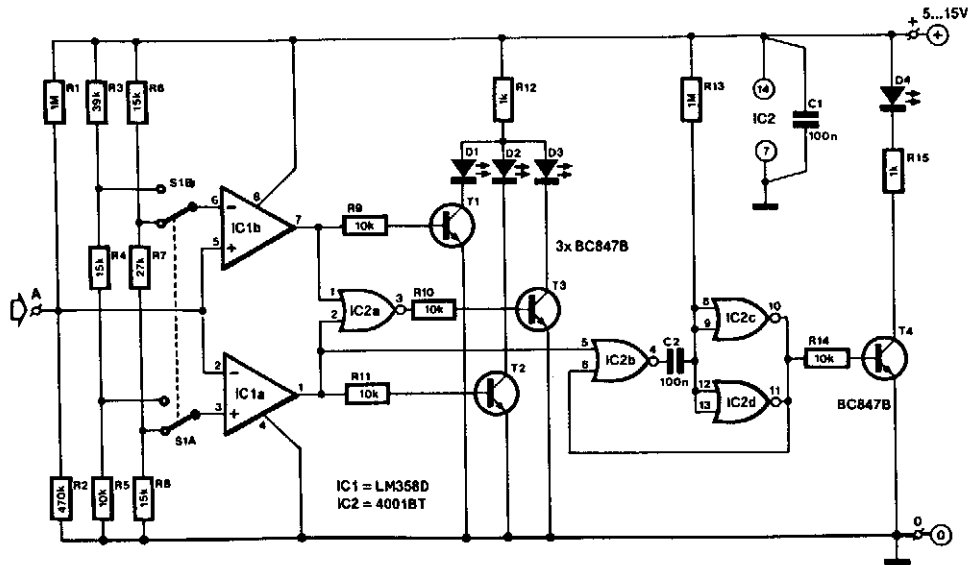


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-1

This circuit for a test set contains a signal injector (U1A/U1B) and associated components, a logic probe (U1C) and an audio amplifier. S1 selects either 10-kHz or 100-Hz output. U1D, U1E, and U1F form an audio amplifier that drives a piezo sounder element without an internal driver so that it functions as a piezoelectric speaker.

## LOGIC TESTER



### Parts list

#### Resistors:

R1, R13 = 1 M $\Omega$   
 R2 = 470 k $\Omega$   
 R3 = 39 k $\Omega$   
 R4, R6, R8 = 15 k $\Omega$   
 R5, R9, R10, R11, R14 = 10 k $\Omega$   
 R7 = 27 k $\Omega$   
 R12, R15 = 1 k $\Omega$

#### Capacitors:

C1, C2 = 100 nF

#### Semiconductors:

D1, D2 = LED, 3 mm, green  
 D3 = LED, 3 mm, red  
 D4 = LED, 3 mm, yellow  
 T1, T2, T3, T4 = BC847  
 IC1 = LM358  
 IC2 = 4001

#### Miscellaneous:

S1 = sub-miniature switch, 2 make-before-break contacts

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-2

The input consists of two comparators that operate with different reference voltages supplied by separate potential dividers. Divider R3/R4/R5 provides a voltage of about 40% of the supply voltage,  $U_{CC}$ , to pin 6 of IC1B and one of about 16% of  $U_{CC}$  to pin 3 of IC1A. When  $U_{CC} = 5$  V, these voltages are exactly the thresholds (0.8 and 2.0 V) of the TTL comparators.

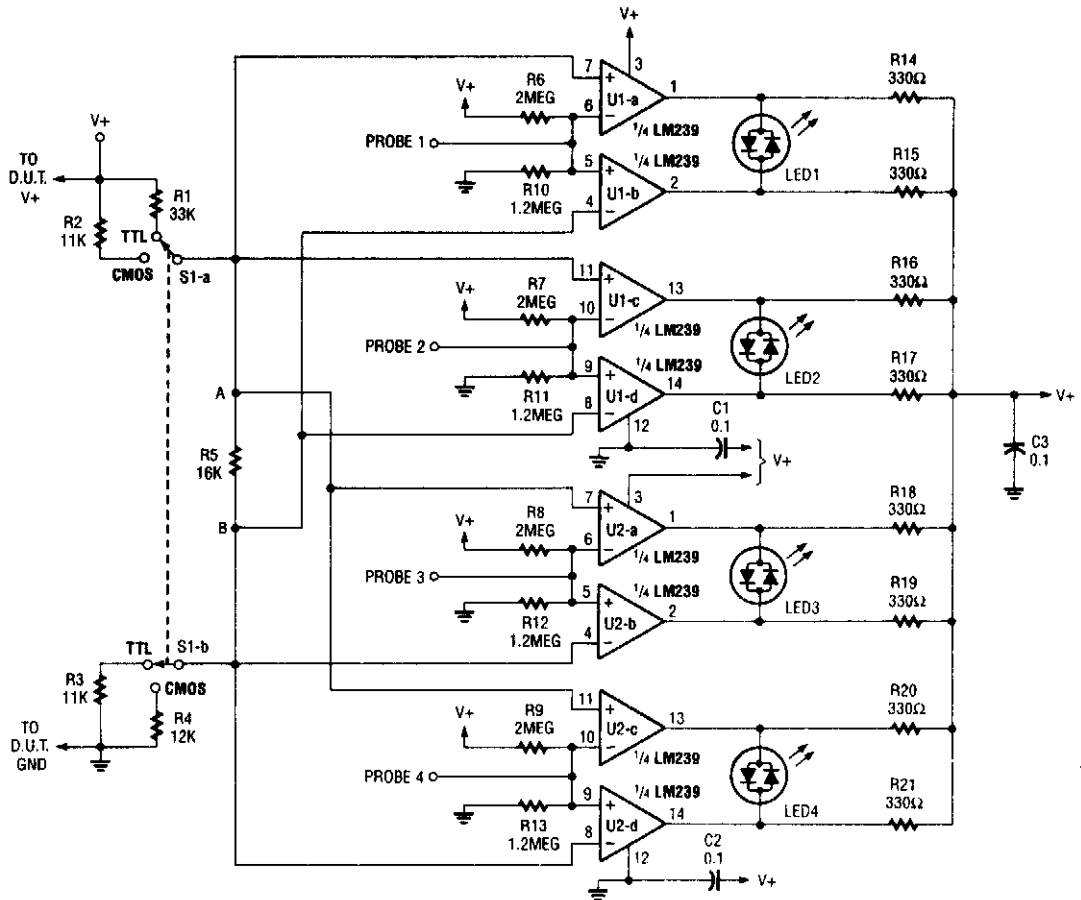
Similarly, divider R6/R7/R8 provides voltages of 23% of  $U_{CC}$  and 73% of  $U_{CC}$  to pin 3 of IC1A and pin 6 of IC1B respectively; these levels correspond to the standard threshold for CMOS comparators.

The voltage to be measured  $U_a$ , is applied to pin 5 of IC1B and pin 2 of IC1A and compared with the respective reference. The output of comparator IC1B goes high when  $U_a$  exceeds the reference, whereas the output of IC1A goes high when  $U_a$  lies below the voltage at pin 3.

The comparators are followed by driver stages, T1 and T2, for the LED display (D1 for "high" and D2 for "low") and also NOR gate IC2A that switches on T3 when the output of both comparators is low, that is, when it is undefined. This state is indicated by D3.



## 4-WAY LOGIC PROBE

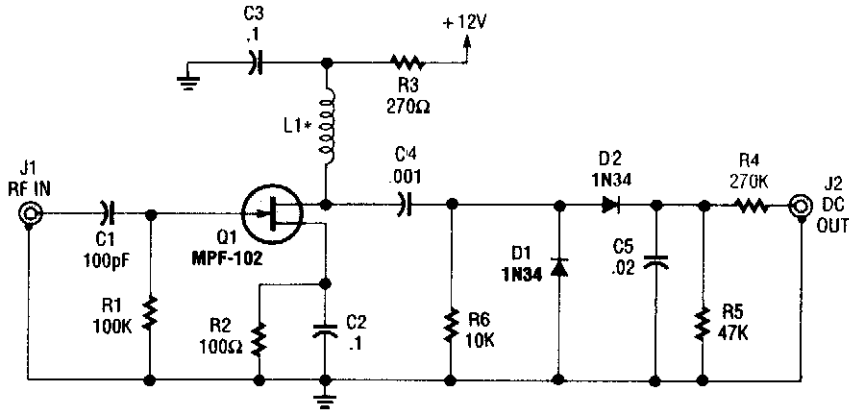


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-4

This logic probe has four channels and uses two IF quad comparators to drive four bicolor LEDs. S1 and S1B program the comparator trip levels for TTL and CMOS. R6 through R13 bias the probe inputs to prevent the probe from indicating a HIGH for an open circuit. An open circuit will produce an OFF indication on the LED. The LEDs will indicate one color for high, the other color for low, and intermediate colors for pulsing (assuming a duty cycle between 30 and 70%). The color that corresponds to HIGH or LOW depends on how you connect the LEDs.

### ACTIVE RF DETECTOR PROBE

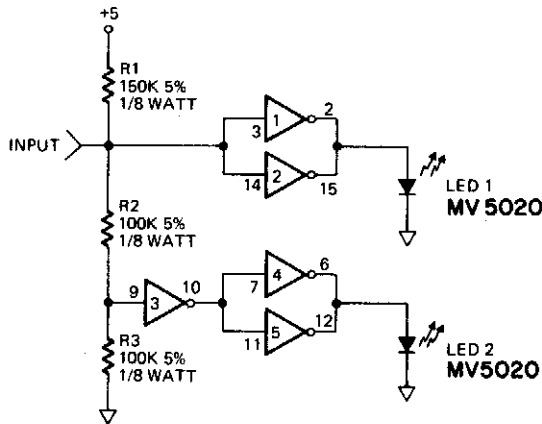


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-5

An MFP102 FET is used as a wideband amplifier. L1 can be 100  $\mu$ H for 30 to 100 MHz or 1 000  $\mu$ H for 2 to 30 MHz. For LF, (less than 3 MHz), use a 2.5- $\mu$ H RF choke. This probe will work as a relative indicator device, but it can be calibrated over a frequency range, if needed.

### SINGLE-IC LOGIC PROBE



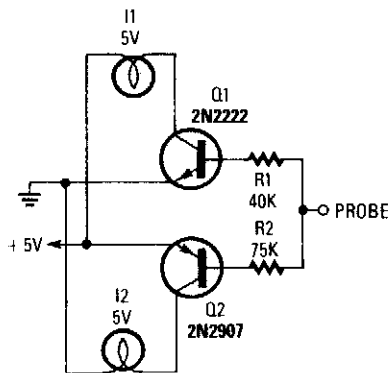
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-6

This logic probe uses a CD4009 CMOS hex inverter. The characteristic high-input impedance of CMOS gives the advantage of not loading the circuit being tested. Because the output of the inverters is not specified at either a high or low level with a floating input, an input-bias network produces lows at both input inverter pairs if the input is open or at less than 2 V. Resistor R3 holds the input of inverter 3 low which makes the output of inverters 4 and 5 low and will not permit LED 2 to light. At the same time, R1 holds the inputs of inverters 1 and 2 high so that their output is low and LED 1 will not light. If the probe input is touched to a logic low, the output of inverter 3 is held high by R3 and inverter 1 and 2 are brought low, which causes their outputs to go high and turns on LED 1. With no input, both LEDs should be off.



## LOGIC PROBE



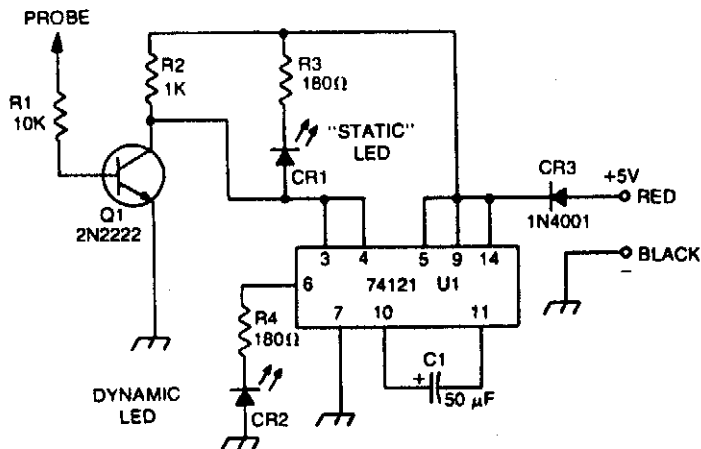
POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-7

By connecting this circuit to a logic device that's under power, you can get an indication as to its status. If the circuit is open, neither of the test lamps will light. If the circuit is grounded, the low (or zero) lamp will light. If 3 to 6 V are present, the high-voltage lamp will light.

Other than its application in logic testing, the probe is also convenient for checking supply voltages and grounds. You can select resistors to turn the lamps on at any desired threshold voltage within the component limits.

## LOGIC PROBE



POPULAR ELECTRONICS/HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-8

The "static" LED indicates a logic level of 1 when lit. The "dynamic" LED indicates a logic 1 *pulse*. A 4-V, 100-ns pulse will be stretched to about 50 ms so that it can be easily seen.

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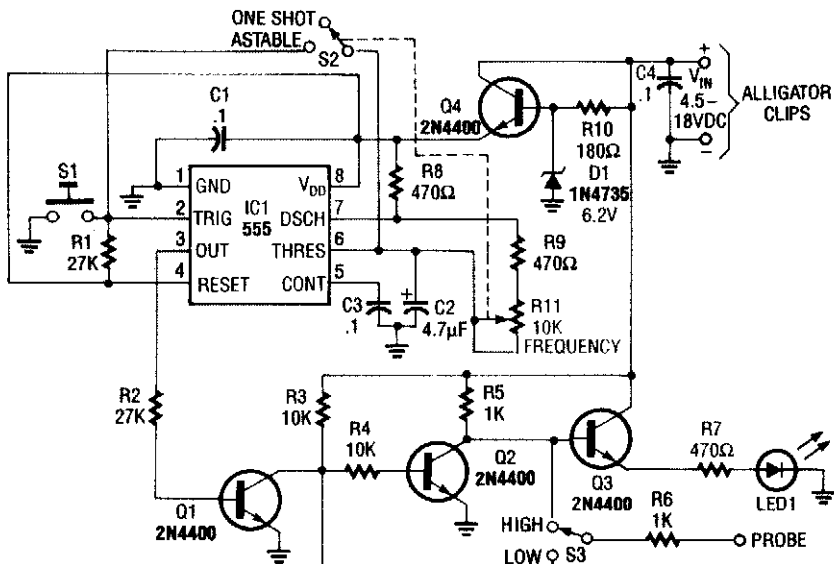
## Pulse Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Inexpensive Pulse Generator for Logic Troubleshooting
- Negative Pulse Stretcher
- Low-Power Ring Counter (less than 6 mW)
- Transistor Pulse Generator
- Free-Running Pulse Generator
- Stable Start-Stop Oscillator
- Positive Pulse Pulse Stretcher
- 555 Pulse Generator
- Fast Low Duty-Cycle Pulse Oscillator
- Simple Pulse Stretcher
- Delayed Pulse Generator

## INEXPENSIVE PULSE GENERATOR FOR LOGIC TROUBLESHOOTING

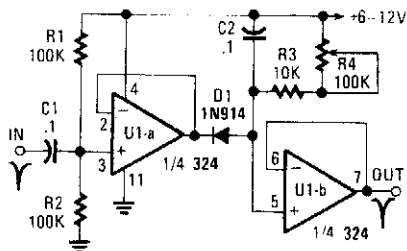


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-1

Built around a 555 timer IC, this pulse generator can be built into a probe for logic troubleshooting. R11 is frequency controlled and gives a range of about 5 to 200 Hz. C2 can be reduced for higher frequencies. S2 selects one shot or pulse operators. Q1 and Q2 provide a fast rise-time pulse, which acts as a clipper amplifier. Q4 acts as a regulator. The supply can be anything from about 4.5 to 18 Vdc. LED1 is an indicator that shows circuit operation.

## NEGATIVE PULSE STRETCHER

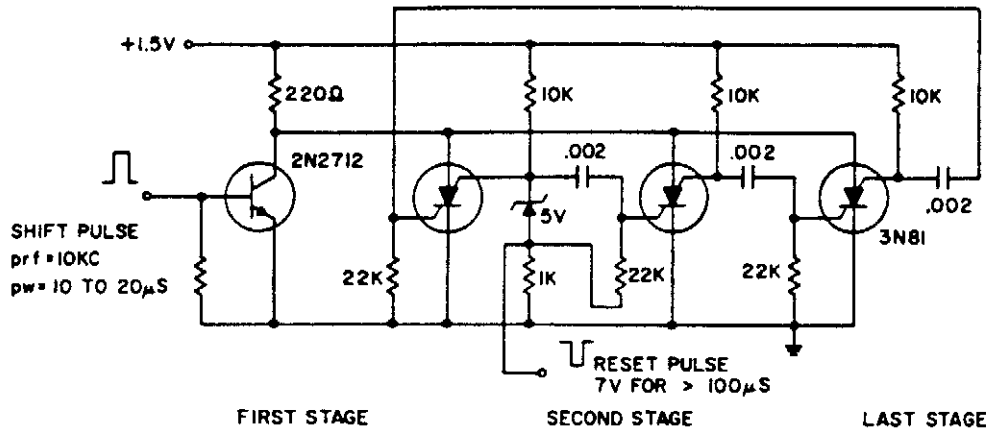


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-2

U1A acts as an amplifier, which drives D2 and charges C2. U1B acts as a voltage follower. R3 and R4 determine the amount of stretch that the input pulse receives. C2 can be charged to accommodate different pulse rates.

## LOW-POWER RING COUNTER (LESS THAN 6 mW)

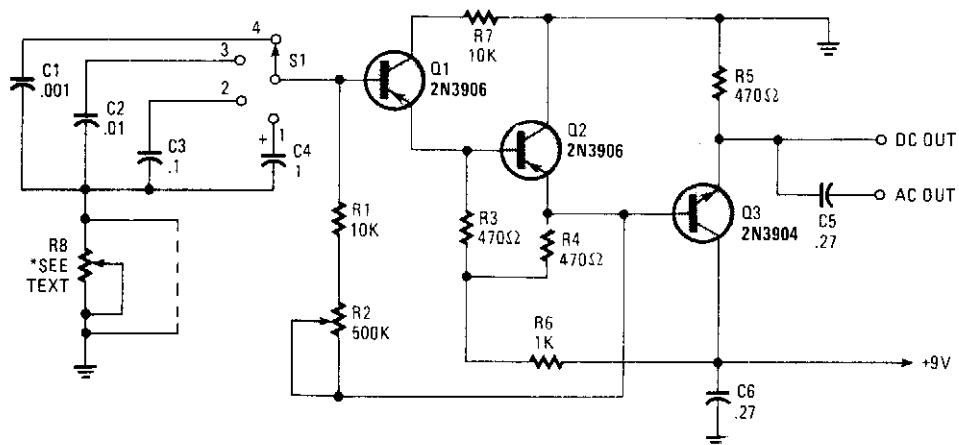


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Fig. 68-3

The ring counter operates from 1.0 to 6.0 V and requires only 6 mW at 1.5 V. The reset pulse turns on the first stage with its trailing edge. The maximum shift pulse width increases with voltage and approaches 70  $\mu$ s for a 6.0-V supply. Minimum pulse width is 10  $\mu$ s.

## TRANSISTOR PULSE GENERATOR

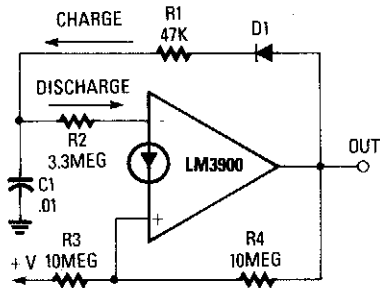


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-4

Seven-V narrow pulses from 2 Hz to 50 kHz are produced by this circuit. C1 through C4 provide frequency ranges in decode steps. R1 and R2 control the charging time of C1 through C4. R2 is a potentiometer used to set the frequency. R8 controls pulse width. Pulse width varies from 7  $\mu$ s to 10 ms. Depending on the frequency, R8 can be deleted if it is not needed.

## FREE-RUNNING PULSE GENERATOR

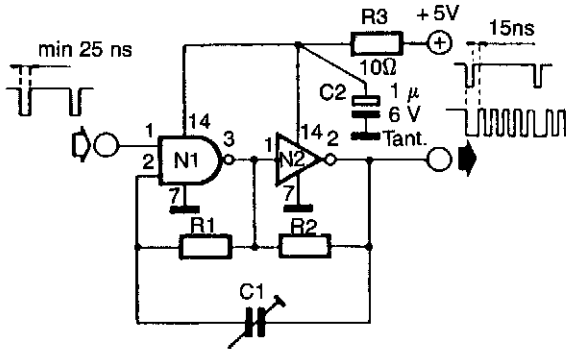


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-5

C1 alternately charges via R1/D1 and discharges via R2, which produces a duty cycle of about 1:60.

## STABLE START-STOP OSCILLATOR



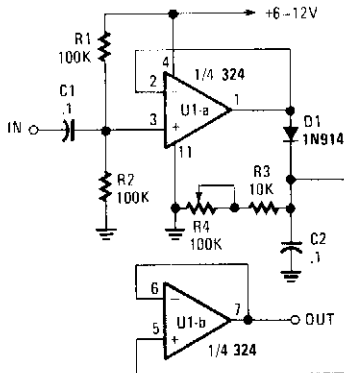
N1 = 1/4 74LS00  
N2 = 1/4 74LS04  
R1, R2 = 560 Ω ... 4k7  
C1 = 20 ... 80 p

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-6

Oscillators that generate a predetermined number of pulses are often required in applications such as video work. This oscillator starts 13 ms after the control signal goes high and stops immediately when the input signal goes low.

## POSITIVE PULSE PULSE STRETCHER

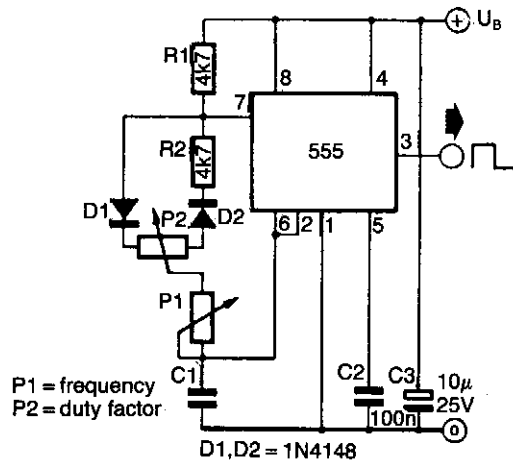


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-7

A simple pulse stretcher built with two sections of an op amp uses voltage follower U1A to drive D1 and C2. C2 charges to the peak value of pulse voltage. R3 and R4 determine the discharge time of C2 and therefore the pulse stretching. U1B acts as a voltage follower. Typically this circuit can stretch a pulse by a factor of 50. C2 can be charged to accommodate different pulse rates.

## 555 PULSE GENERATOR

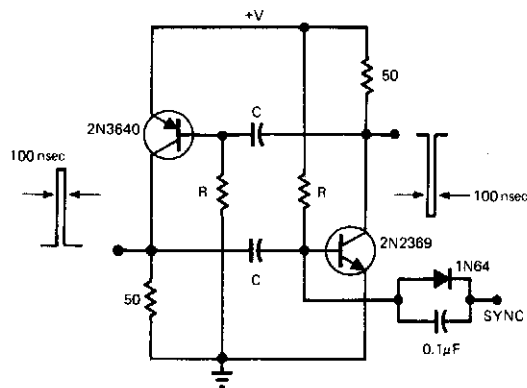


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-8

This approach to using a NEC555 timer uses two diodes to set the charge and discharge timer of capacitor, which gives the circuit a variable duty factor.

## FAST LOW DUTY-CYCLE PULSE OSCILLATOR



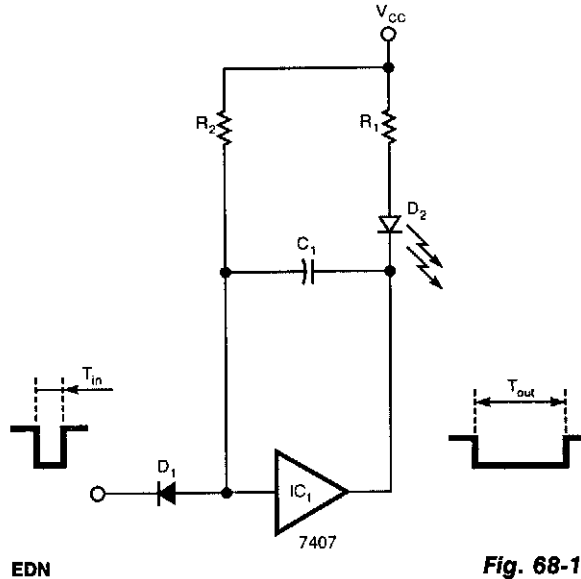
EDN

Fig. 68-9

This simple and symmetrical free-running generator has a 50-Ω output impedance, a pulse width of 100 ns and complementary outputs that swing essentially from ground to the power-supply voltage. Moreover, it functions with a power supply range from <1 to >15 V and maintains a low voltage and temperature drift while consuming little power.

For oscillation to occur, each transistor must have a gain greater than unity. This restricts the value of  $R$  to a range of 1 kΩ to 1 MΩ, because the gain will be less than unity when the transistor is saturated or when beta is low as a result of small collector currents. The two RC timing networks do not have to match because the RC with the longest time constant will determine the frequency of oscillation.

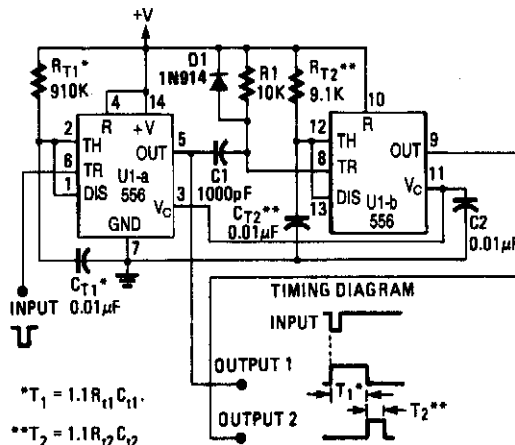
## SIMPLE PULSE STRETCHER



**Fig. 68-10**

A single gate (open collector, noninverting) produces a simple one-shot to produce a pulse that stretches equal to the pulse duration, plus the  $R_1C_1$  time constant.  $R_2$  is a pull-up resistor to keep the gate's input high while waiting for a pulse.

## DELAYED PULSE GENERATOR



$$*T_1 = 1.1R_1C_{11}$$

$$**T_2 = 1.1R_2C_{12}$$

**HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS** (AS SHOWN,  $T_1 = 10$  MS;  $T_2 = 100\mu$ S.)

**Fig. 68-11**

This circuit produces a delayed pulse width of  $1.1(R_{i2}C_{i2})$ . The delay is given by  $T = 1.1(R_1C_{i1})$ . A 556 dual timer can be used.

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## Radar Detectors

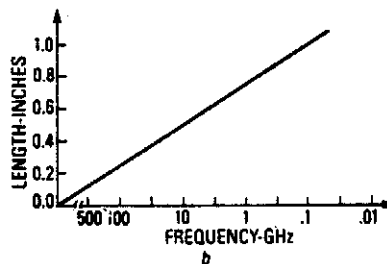
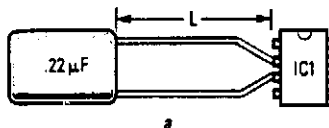
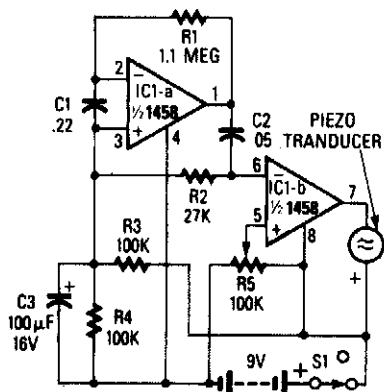
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Radar Detector  
Deluxe Radar Detector



## RADAR DETECTOR

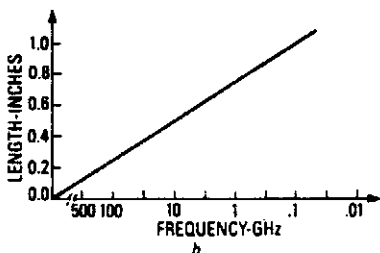
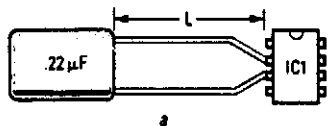
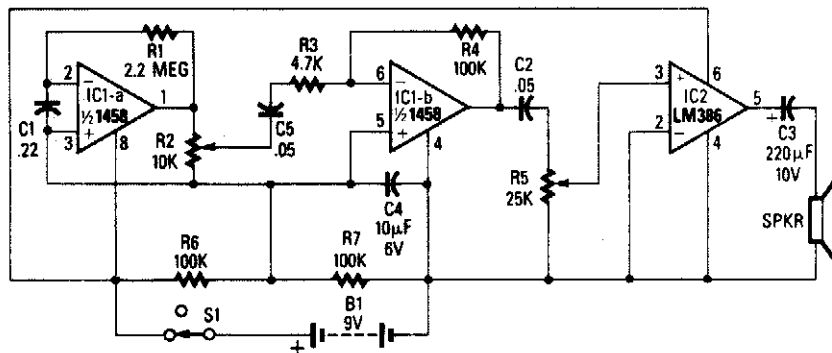


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 69-1

A simple detector of radar signals uses the junctions of the input transistors of an LM1458 op amp as RF detectors. The leads of C1 act as an antenna and should be about 0.4" long measured from the IC package. Detected audio components are further amplified by IC1A and IC1B, and drive a piezo transducer. Mount the circuit so that incident RF energy will not be blocked.

## DELUXE RADAR DETECTOR



This simple radar detector includes an audio amplifier for driving a loud speaker. As in Fig. 69-1, it uses an op amp as a detector of microwave signals.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 69-2

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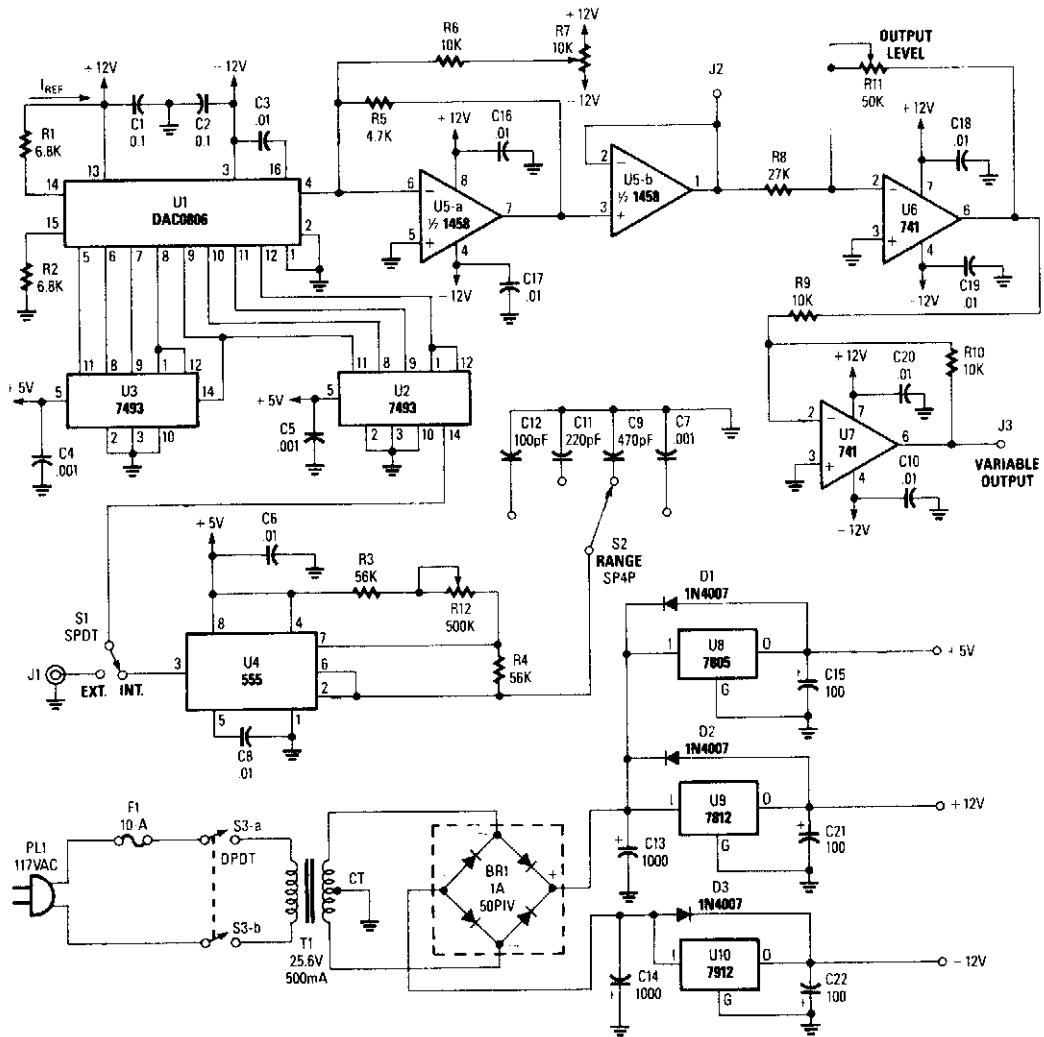
## Ramp and Staircase Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Digital Sawtooth Generator  
Simple Staircase Generator  
Ramp Generator  
Sawtooth Generator for Sweep Generators  
Stepped Waveform Generator

## DIGITAL SAWTOOTH GENERATOR

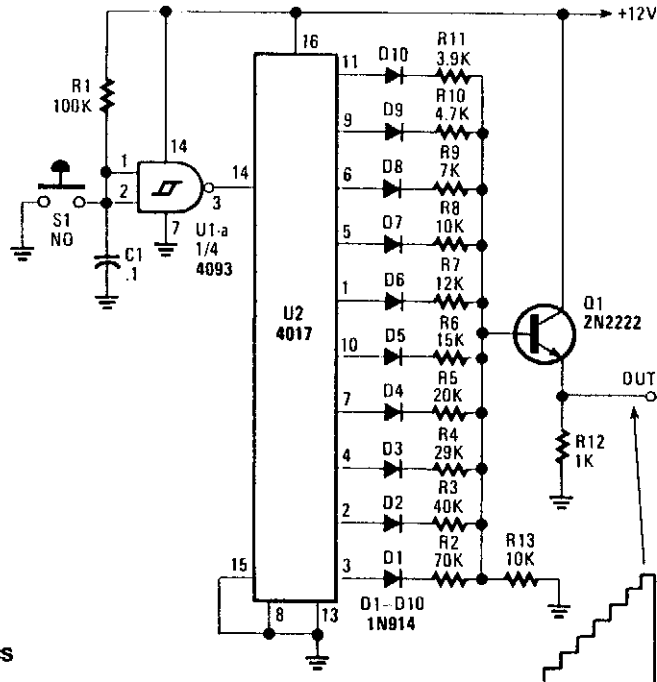


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 70-1

This straightforward circuit uses an NE555 timer as an oscillator, a 7493 counter chain and a DAC0806 D/A converter. The counter output feeds the DAC, producing a linearly increasing voltage, which drives an op amp and a dc-level insertion circuit. The clock frequency must be 256 times the desired sawtooth output frequency.

### SIMPLE STAIRCASE GENERATOR

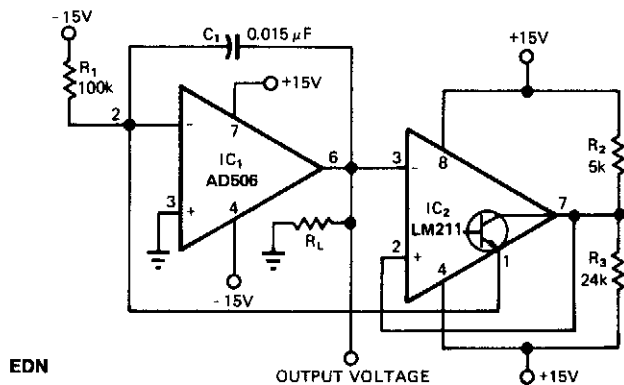


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 70-2

U2 is a decade counter /divider. U1 is used as a switch debouncer. For a self-generating system, connect a resistor between pins 2 and 3 of a U1 value that should be between 10 kΩ and several MΩ, depending on desired frequency. C1 can also be varied to change frequency. Also, S1 can be omitted in the self-generating version.

### RAMP GENERATOR

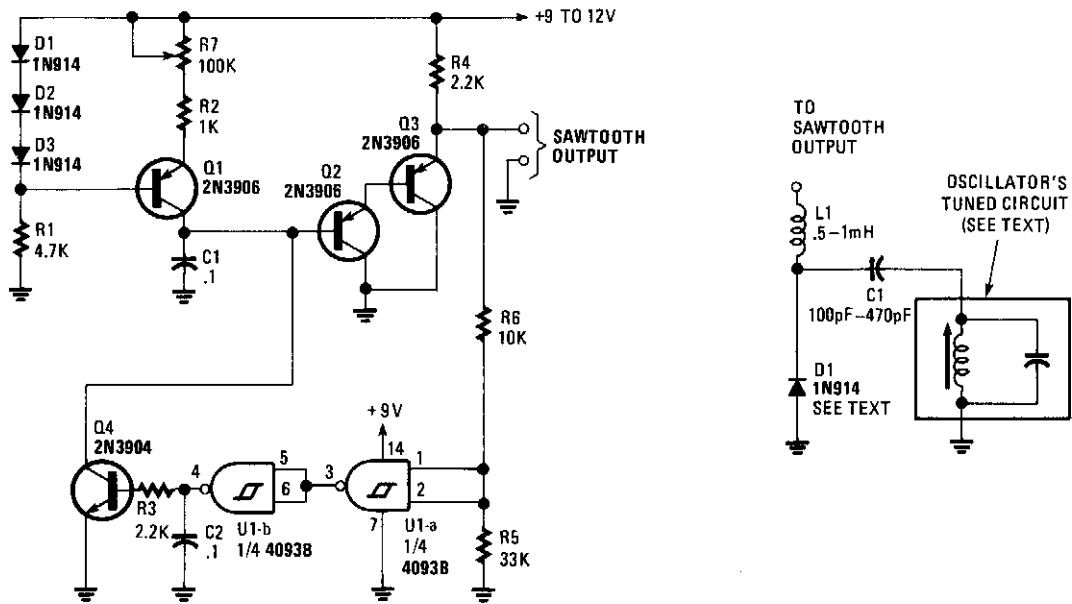


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Fig. 70-3

Providing a 0-to 10-V excursion from 0.4 Hz to 100 kHz, this circuit offers both simplicity and small size. The negative current through R1 produces the ramp's positive slope and causes the output of IC1 to increase linearly toward the +15-V rail.

## SAWTOOTH GENERATOR FOR SWEEP GENERATORS

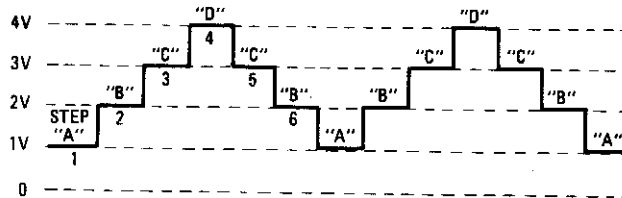
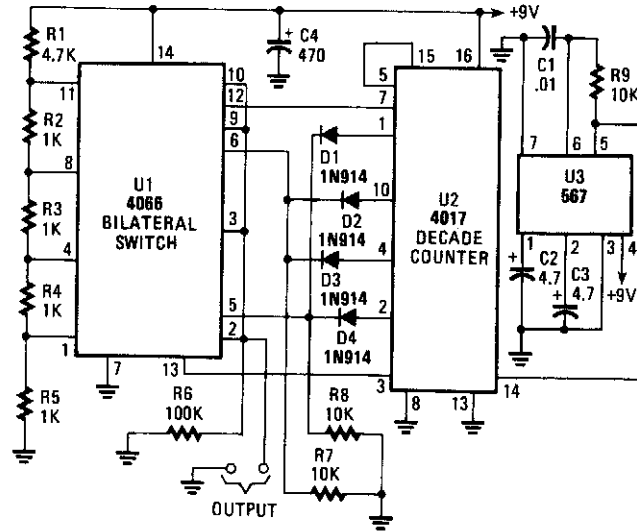


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 70-4

This circuit will generate a linear sawtooth between 30 Hz and 3 000 Hz. Q1 is a constant-current source that charges C1 until the output level at Q3 emitter triggers U1A and U1B, which turns on Q4 and discharges C1. The frequency range can be varied by changing the value of C1. This circuit should be good to several tens of kHz.

## STEPPED WAVEFORM GENERATOR



*The output of the stepped waveform generator is made up of 3-up and 3-down steps in 1-volt increments (much like the output of a digital-to-analog converter). Switch triggering for the 4066 is controlled by a 4017 decade counter/divider (U2), which is clocked by a square-wave generator built around a 567 PLL (phase-locked loop).*

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 70-5

A decade counter (U2) is used to perform sequential switching via a CD 4066. Analog switch is to generate a waveform. The clock is a 567 PLL or other VCO chip.

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## Receivers

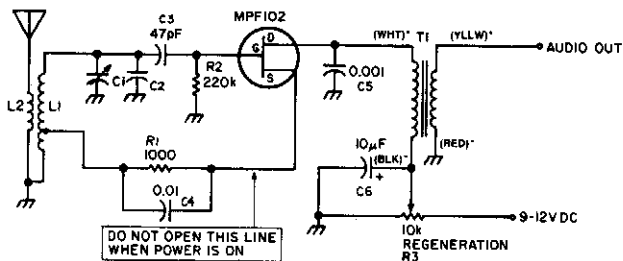
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- 1-Transistor Regenerative Receiver
- 3.5- to 10-MHz Simple Superheterodyne Receiver
- Simple Low-Frequency Receiver
- Reflex Radio Receiver
- TRF Radio
- Old-Time Radio
- Pulse-Frequency Modulated Receiver
- Shortwave Receiver
- Simple AM Radio

# 1-TRANSISTOR REGENERATIVE RECEIVER

## RECEIVER



T1 = ANY AUDIO TRANSFORMER AS LONG AS PRIMARY IS GREATER THAN 1kΩ

T50-2  $N = 100 \sqrt{L/50}$   
 $N =$  NUMBER OF TURNS  
 $L =$  INDUCTANCE IN  $\mu\text{H}$

\*COLOR CODED CONNECTIONS FOR 1:1 AUDIO TRANSFORMER

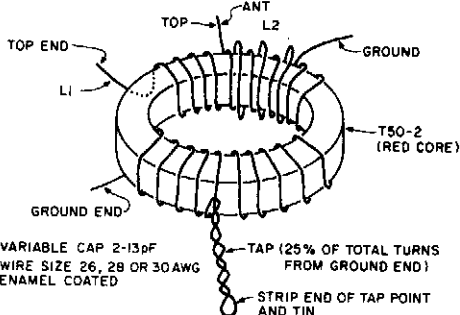
$L1C1 =$  RESONANT FREQUENCY USE FORMULA

$$f = \frac{10^6}{2\pi \sqrt{LC}}$$

TAP 25% FROM COLD END

L2 = 3 TURNS AROUND L1

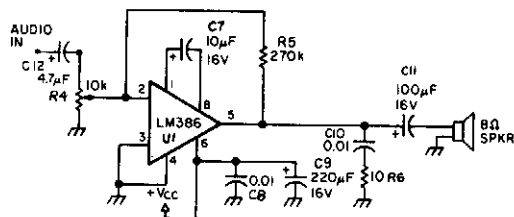
COIL FORM CAN BE ANYTHING EVEN T50-2 TOROID



VARIABLE CAP 2-13pF  
 WIRE SIZE 26, 28 OR 30 AWG  
 ENAMEL COATED

$$f = \frac{10^6}{2\pi \sqrt{LC}} \quad L = \frac{10^6}{39.5 \cdot f^2 \cdot C} \quad C = \frac{10^6}{39.5 \cdot f^2 \cdot L}$$

f = FREQUENCY IN MHz  
 L = INDUCTANCE IN  $\mu\text{H}$   
 C = CAPACITANCE IN pF

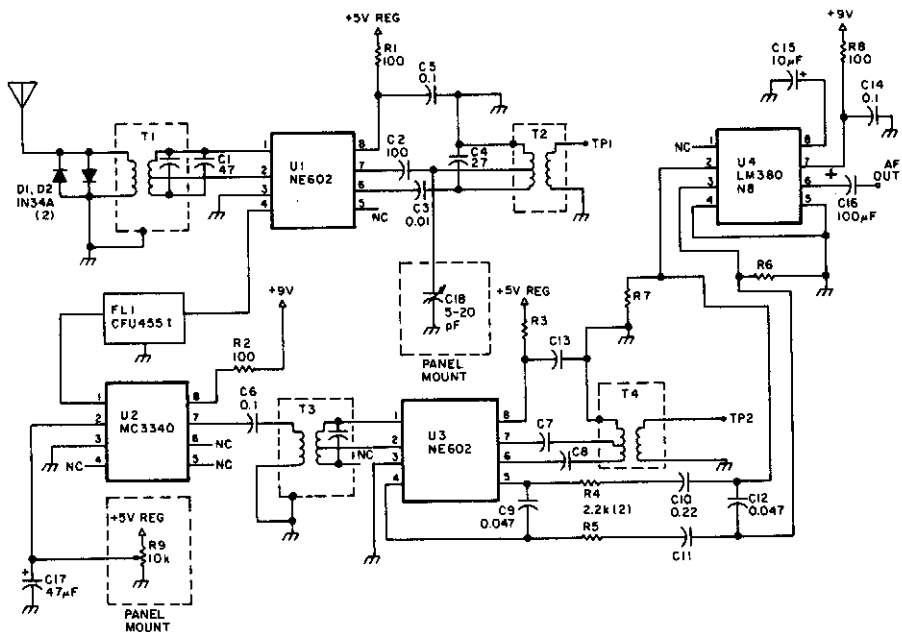


Using an MPF102 FET, this one-transistor radio receiver is suitable for experimental use. It can tune 4 to 26 MHz. For speaker operation, a simple IC amplifier can be used.

| Frequency (MHz) | C2 (pF) | C18, C19 (pF) | C23 (pF) | L1, L2 (Ant) (# of turns on T37-2 core) | L3 (Osc) |
|-----------------|---------|---------------|----------|---|----------|
| 5               | 100     | 120           | 68       | 5, 41                                   | 45       |
| 6               | 100     | 120           | 68       | 4, 30                                   | 34       |
| 7               | 82      | 100           | 47       | 4, 26                                   | 29       |
| 8               | 82      | 100           | 47       | 3, 22                                   | 24       |
| 10              | 82      | 100           | 47       | 3, 17                                   | 19       |
| 12              | 82      | 100           | 47       | 2, 15                                   | 17       |
| 14              | 68      | 82            | 33       | 2, 14                                   | 15       |
| 15              | 68      | 82            | 33       | 2, 13                                   | 14       |



### 3.5- TO 10-MHZ SIMPLE SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER



#### SuperRX Parts List

| Part           | Value       | Type                           |
|----------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| C1             | 47 pF       | silver-mica or polystyrene     |
| C2             | 100 pF      | silver-mica or polystyrene     |
| C3             | 0.01 μF     | polystyrene or monolithic      |
| C4             | 27 pF       | silver-mica or polystyrene     |
| C5             | 0.1 μF      | ceramic disc or monolithic     |
| C6             | 0.1 μF      | polystyrene or monolithic      |
| C7             | 0.022 μF    | polystyrene or monolithic      |
| C8             | 0.1 μF      | polystyrene or monolithic      |
| C9             | 0.047 μF    | monolithic                     |
| C10            | 0.22 μF     | monolithic                     |
| C11            | 0.15 μF*    | (alternate)                    |
| C12            | 0.22 μF     | monolithic                     |
| C13, C14       | 0.1 μF      | ceramic disc or monolithic     |
| C15            | 10 μF       | electrolytic, 16V              |
| C16            | 100 μF      | electrolytic, 16V              |
| C17            | 47 μF       | electrolytic, 16V              |
| C18            | 5-20 pF     | panel mounted tuning capacitor |
| C19, C20       | 220 μF      | electrolytic, 16V              |
| D1, D2         | 1N34A       | germanium diode or equivalent  |
| R1, R2, R3, R8 | 100 ohm, ¼W | carbon composition             |
| R4, R5         | 2.2 k, ¼W   | carbon composition.            |
|                | 1.5k        | (alternate)                    |

### 3.5- TO 10-MHz SIMPLE SUPERHETERODYNE RECEIVER (Cont.)

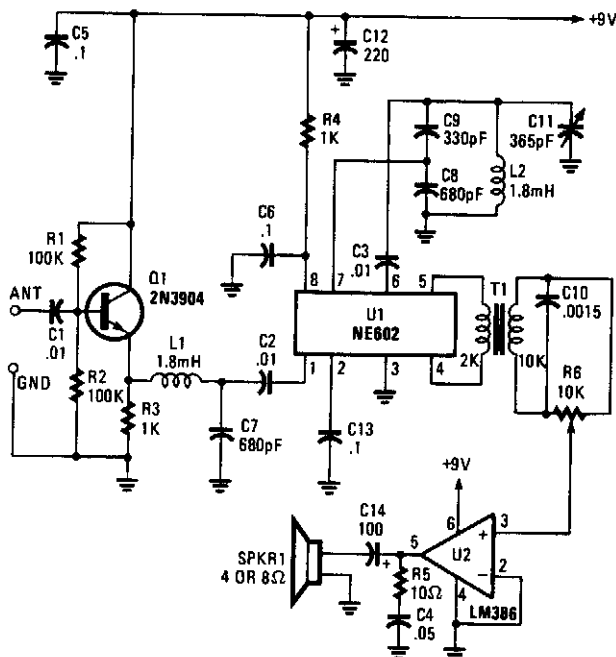
|        |          |                                |                   |
|--------|----------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| R6, R7 | 10k, ¼W  | carbon composition             |                   |
| R9     | 10k      | potentiometer                  |                   |
| T1, T2 | 10.7 MHz | microminiature (7mm)           | Mouser PN 42IF223 |
|        |          | IF transformer, green core     |                   |
| T3, T4 | 455 kHz  | microminiature (7mm)           | Mouser PN 42IF203 |
|        |          | IF transformer, black core     |                   |
| U1, U3 | NE602    | double-balanced mixer          |                   |
| U2     | MC3340   | variable attenuator            |                   |
| U4     | LM380N-8 | audio amplifier                |                   |
| U5     | 78L05    | 100 mA miniature +5V regulator |                   |

\* C10 and C11 can range from 0.1 to 0.22µf. Values greater than 0.33 cause distortion.

Other: Printed stripboard, DSE PN H5614 or equivalent, cabinet, plastic stick-on feet, 4-40 hardware, etc.

In this circuit, U1 is a frequency converter that feeds the 455-kHz IF stage U2 and detector U3. U4 is the audio output stage. R9 is a gain control that varies the gain of U2. Coil data is given in the part list.

#### SIMPLE LOW-FREQUENCY RECEIVER

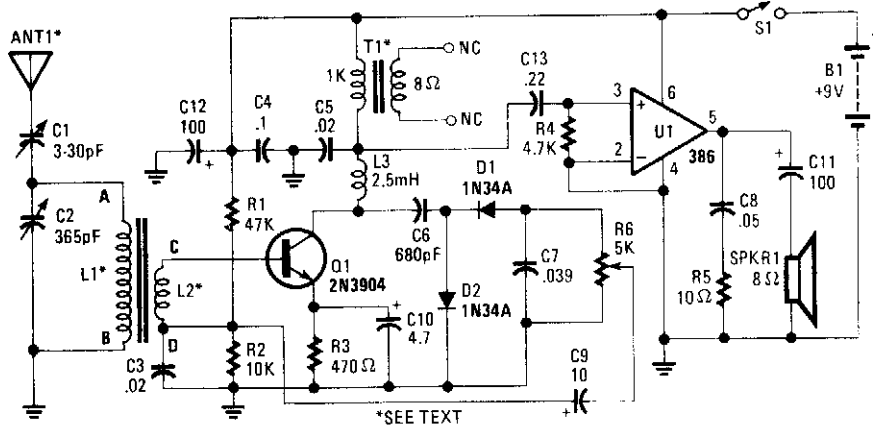


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Fig. 71-3

Using an NE602 heterodyne detector and U1 as an RF amplifier, this receiver tunes the middle portion of the low-frequency spectrum from 150 to 250 kHz. U2 is a loudspeaker amplifier.

## REFLEX RADIO RECEIVER



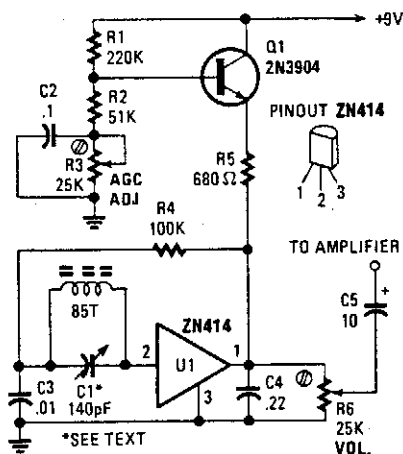
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-4

The RF signal is passed from the antenna through C1 to the tuned circuit made up of L1 and C2. One end of L2 feeds the RF signal to the base of Q1 for amplification and the other end ties to the junction of R1 and R2 to supply bias to the transistor. A 0.02- $\mu$ F capacitor, C3, places the "D" end of L1 at RF ground.

The amplified RF signal is fed through C6 to a two-diode doubler/rectifier circuit and then on to the volume control, R6. The wiper of R6 feeds the detected audio signal through C9 to the junction of R1, R2, and the "D" end of L2. The "D" end of L2 is at RF ground, but not AF ground, allowing the AF signal to be passed through L2 to the base of Q1 for amplification. The junction of the 2.5-mH choke and T1 is placed at RF ground through C5. The amplified audio is fed from this junction to the input of the 386 audio amplifier, U1, to drive the 4" 8- $\Omega$  speaker. The single transistor has performed a dual duty by amplifying the RF and AM signals at the same time.

## TRF RADIO

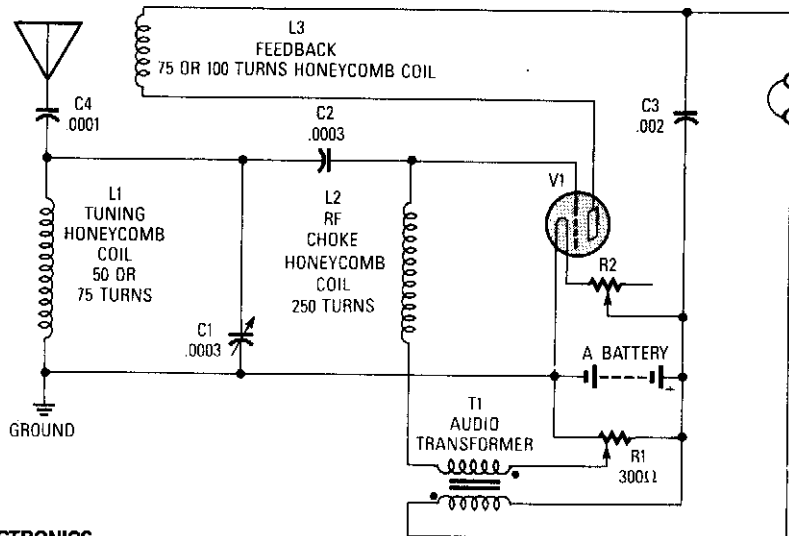


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-5

This simple AM radio uses a Ferranti ZN414 IC and runs from a 9-V supply. A  $\frac{5}{16}$ "-diameter ferrite rod serves as an antenna, and uses about 85 turns of #28 enamelled wire.

## OLD-TIME RADIO

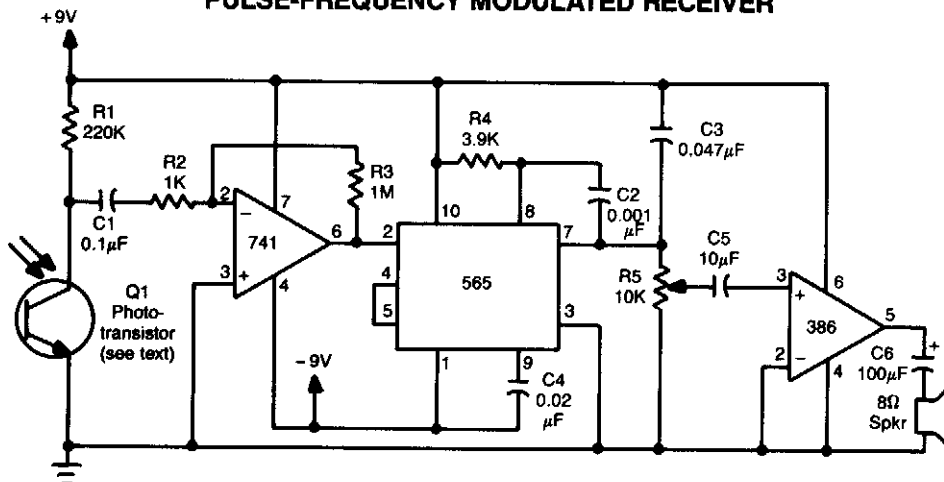


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-6

This circuit was used in the early days of radio to receive signals. Almost any battery-operated triode, such as a type 30, can be used. "A" battery is 3 V, R2 is a 100-Ω rheostat. Coils are typically 2" to 3" diameter honeycomb wound.

## PULSE-FREQUENCY MODULATED RECEIVER

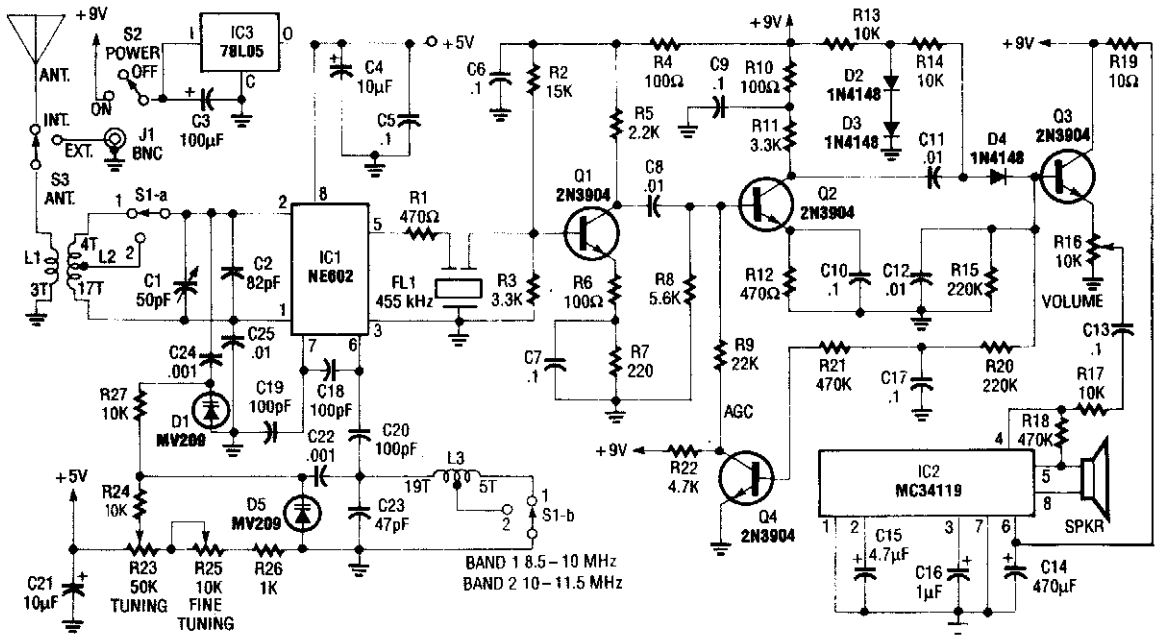


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-7

This receiver uses an IR-sensitive phototransistor (Clairex, HP, etc.) mounted in a light-tight enclosure with an aperture for the incoming IR beam. An optical system can be used with this receiver for increased range. A 741 amplifies the pulsed IR signal and a 565 PLL FM demodulator recovers the audio, which drives an LM386 audio amplifier and speaker.

## SHORT WAVE RECEIVER



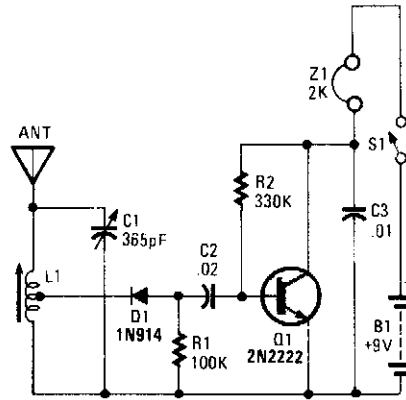
**TABLE**

| Frequency<br>(MHz) | C2<br>(pF) | C18, C19<br>(pF) | C23<br>(pF) | L1, L2 (Ant)<br>(# of turns on T-37-2 core) | L3 (Osc)<br>(# of turns on T-37-2 core) |
|--------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|---|---|
| 5                  | 100        | 120              | 68          | 5, 41                                       | 45                                      |
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| 10                 | 82         | 100              | 47          | 3, 17                                       | 19                                      |
| 12                 | 82         | 100              | 47          | 2, 15                                       | 17                                      |
| 14                 | 68         | 82               | 33          | 2, 14                                       | 15                                      |
| 15                 | 68         | 82               | 33          | 2, 13                                       | 14                                      |

Using a Signetics NE602 in a varactor-tuned front end, the circuit of a shortwave receiver can be very simple and yet give high performance. This circuit also uses a ceramic filter as a sensitivity-determining device, two IF stages, AGC, and an audio amplifier. It has a sensitivity of under  $1\mu\text{V}$ . The table shows coil data for the frequencies from 5 to 16 MHz. The values  $C_{18}$ ,  $C_{19}$ , and  $C_{23}$  depend on the frequency range chosen.

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## SIMPLE AM RADIO



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-9

An AM radio can be built of a simple diode detector and an audio amplifier. A random length of wire always serves as an antenna. L1 is an adjustable ferrite loopstick of the type used in transistor radios.

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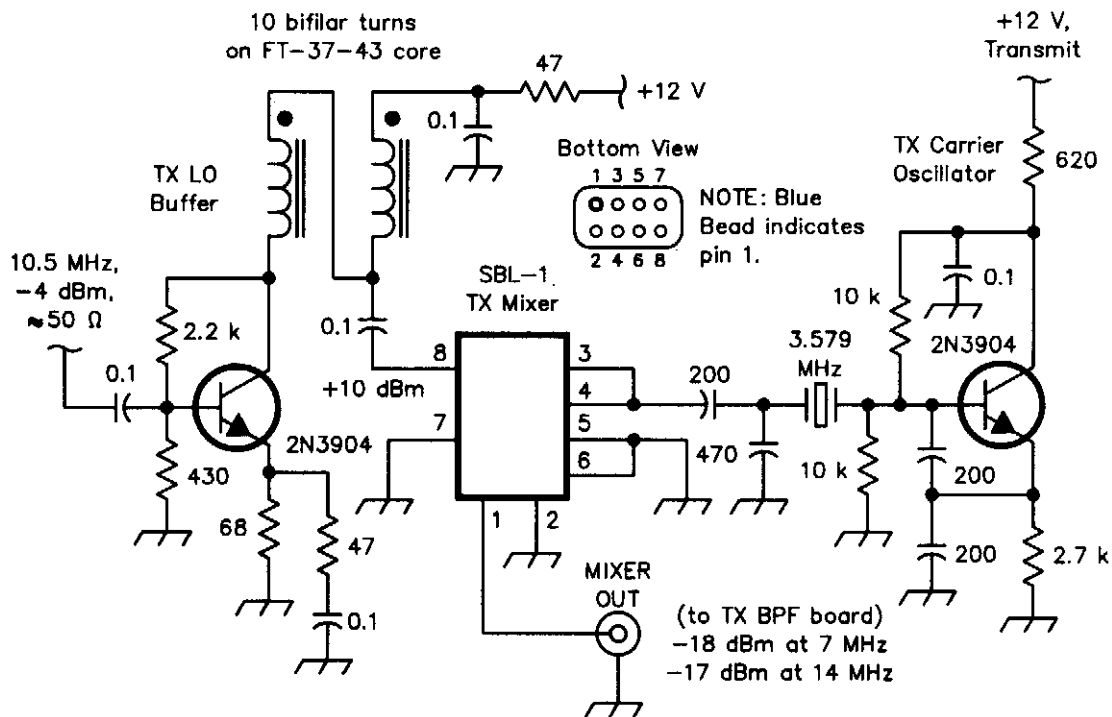
## Receiving Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 676. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

HF Transceiver Mixer  
AGC System For CA3028 IF Amplifier  
Receiver IF Amplifier  
30-MHz IF Preamp  
Carrier-Operated Relay

## HF TRANSCEIVER MIXER



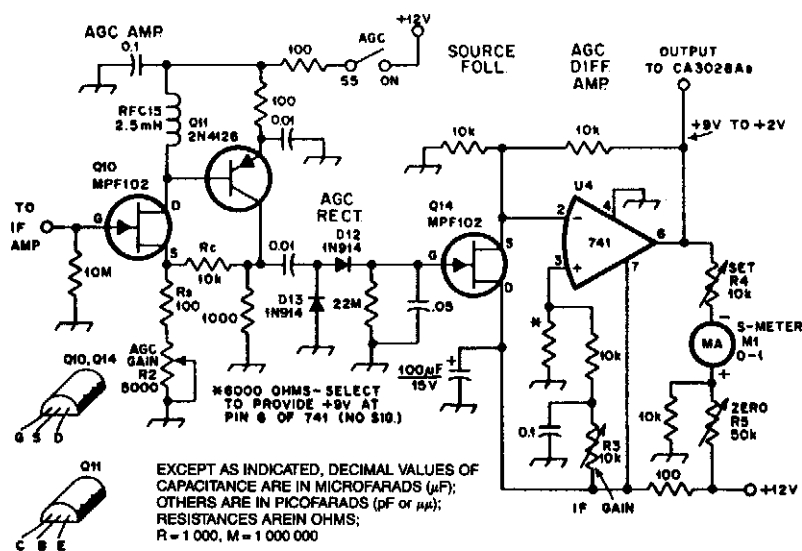
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Fig. 72-1

The transceiver mixer and carrier oscillator in the band-imaging (7- and 14-MHz) CW transceiver. Careful selection of drive levels, and use of a spectrally clean carrier oscillator, assure low spurious-signal content in the transmitter output. This transceiver mixer should prove useful in HF and VHF CW or SSB applications. A Mini-Circuits SBL1 low-cost mixer is used with a 3.579-MHz crystal oscillator that uses a low-cost TV color-burst crystal. By paying careful attention to drive leads, good performance and low spurious content can be obtained.



## AGC SYSTEM FOR CA3028 IF AMPLIFIER

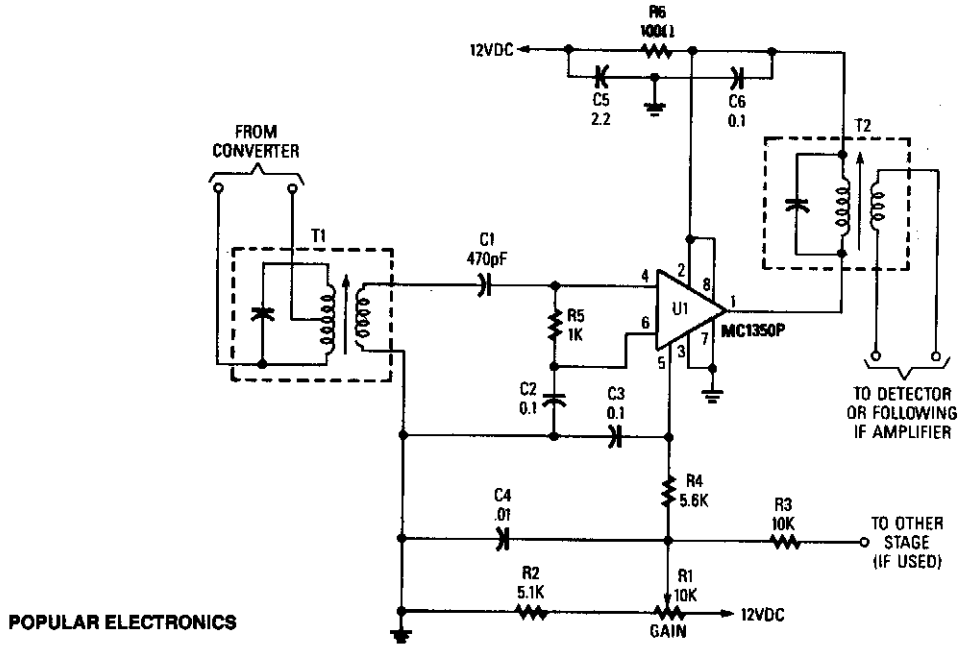


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Fig. 72-2

An MPF102 amplifier feeds IF signals to a 2N4126. A potentiometer in the MPF102 source acts as a gain control. This voltage is rectified by an 1N914 doubling detector, and drives a 741 op amp via a source follower (Q14). S-meter and IF-gain controls are provided.

## RECEIVER IF AMPLIFIER

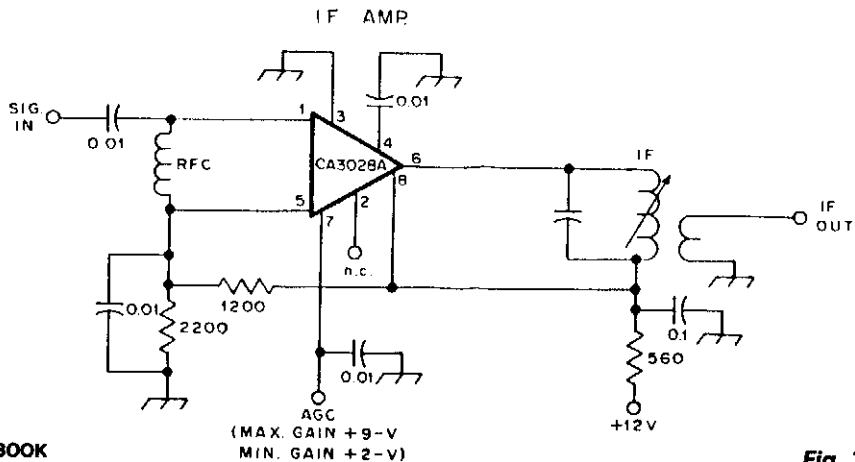


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 72-3

T1 is tuned to converter-output frequency U1 to provide 45-to-50-dB gain, depending on the design of T1 and T2. C2, C3, C4, C5, and C6 are bypass capacitors. R5 is a bias resistor. Gain is set by R1, which controls the voltage on pin 5 of U1. T1 and T2 should provide source and load impedance of 1-kΩ and 3- to 10-kΩ, respectively. R3 supplies dc bias to other stages, if required.

## IF AMPLIFIER

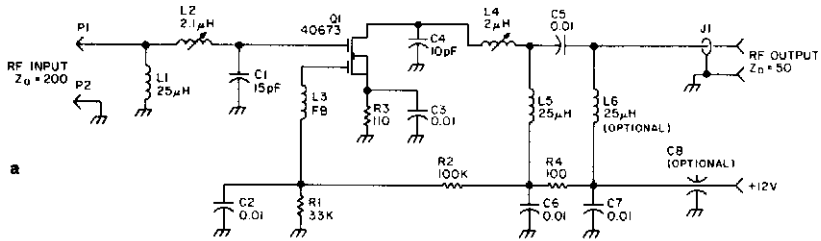


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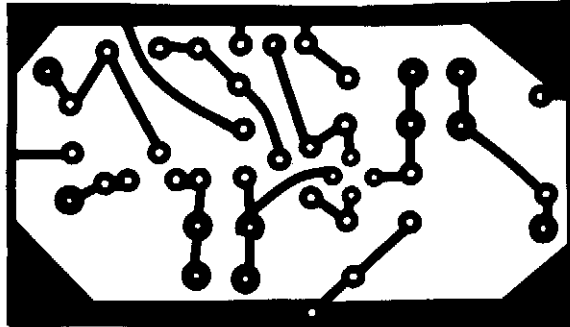
Fig. 72-4

Using a CA3028A, this circuit is useful up to about 15 or 20 MHz.

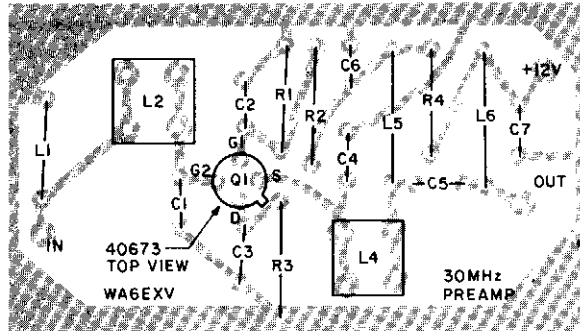
### 30-MHz IF PREAMP



a



b



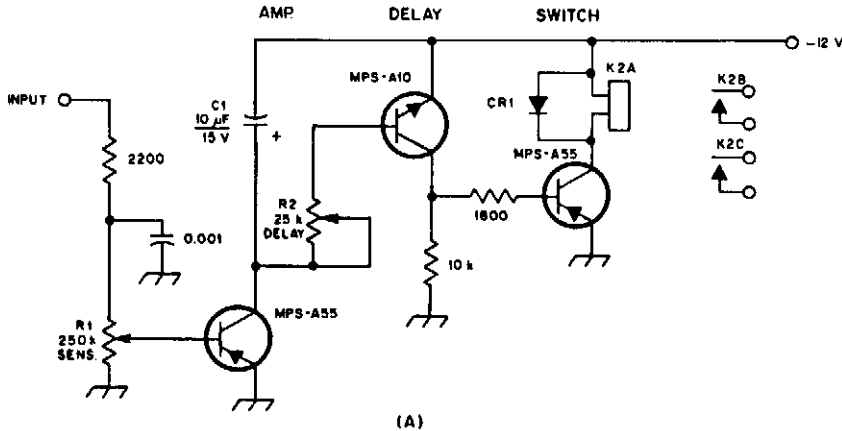
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73 AMATEUR RADIO

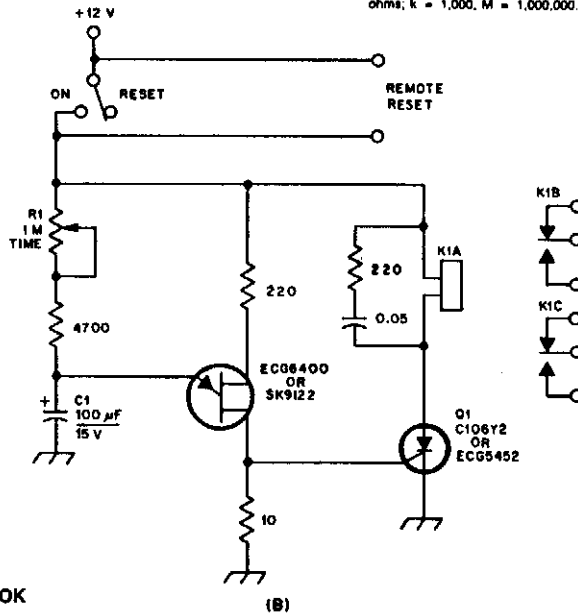
Fig. 72-5

This preamp for 30 MHz is useful for IF applications used in microwave work, etc. A 40673 MOSFET is used and typically the gain at 30 MHz will be 20 to 25 dB.

## CARRIER-OPERATED RELAY



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms; k = 1,000, M = 1,000,000.



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Fig. 72-6

A shows a COR/CAS circuit for repeater use. CR1 is a silicon diode. K2 may be any relay with a 12-V coil (a long-life reed relay is best). R2 sets the length of time that K2 remains closed after the input voltage disappears (hang time). B shows a timer circuit. Values shown for R1 and C1 should provide timing up to four minutes or so. C1 should be a low-leakage capacitor; Q1 is a silicon-controlled rectifier, ECG-5452 or equivalent. K1 may be any miniature relay with a 12-volt coil. The timer is reset when the supply voltage is momentarily interrupted. The switch must be in the RESET position for the remote reset to work. This circuit operates from the detector output of a receiver. A delay circuit is included so that the relay stays closed for a time period after the carrier output from the receiver disappears.

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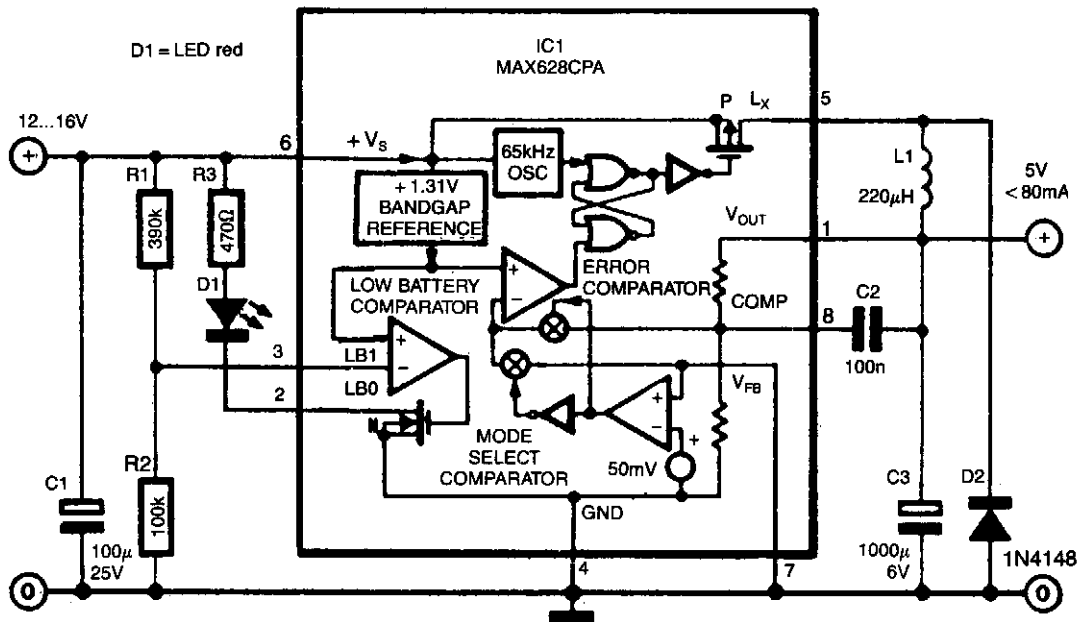
## Regulators (Fixed)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 676. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Switch-Mode Voltage Regulator
- Switching Improves Regulator Efficiency
- Efficient Negative Voltage Regulation
- High- or Low-Input Regulator
- LM317 Regulator Sensing
- Common Hot-Lead Regulator
- Fixed-Current Regulator

## SWITCH-MODE VOLTAGE REGULATOR



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 73-1

Switch-mode power supplies offer the benefit of a much greater efficiency than obtainable with a traditional power supply. The switch-mode regulator presented here has an efficiency of around 85%.

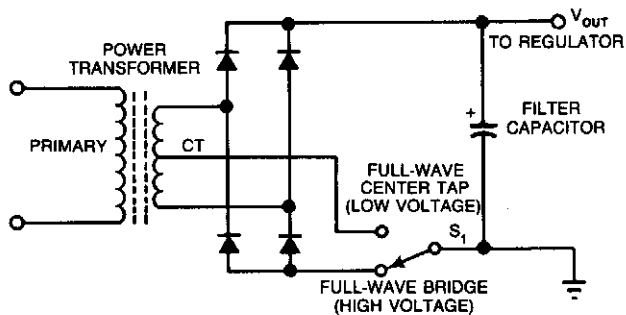
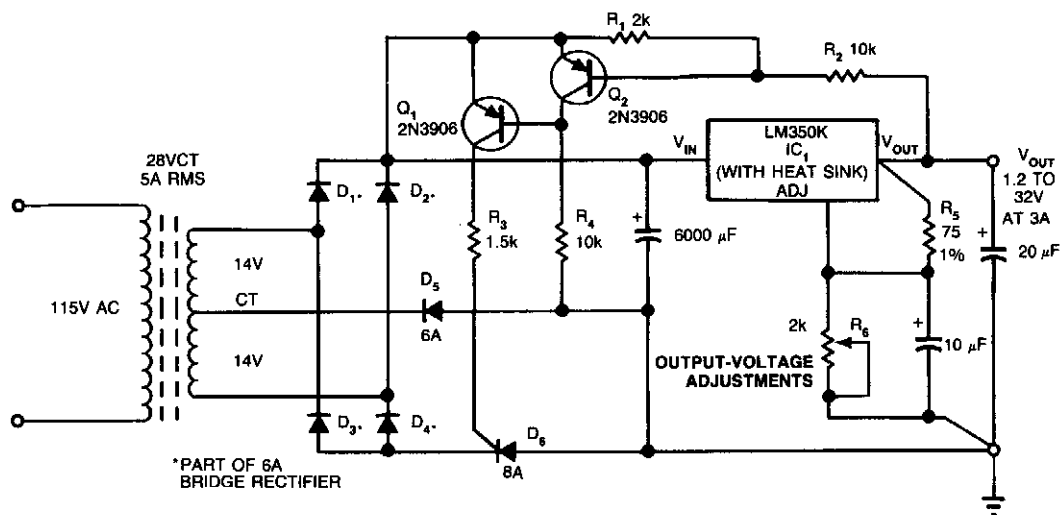
An input voltage of 12 to 16 Vdc is converted into a direct voltage of exactly 5 V. The use of a MAX638CPA enables the design and construction of the regulator to be kept fairly simple: only nine additional components are needed to complete the circuit.

Resistors R1 and R2 are used to indicate when the battery voltage becomes low: as soon as the voltage on pin 3 becomes lower than 1.3 V, D1 lights. With values as shown for the potential divider, this corresponds to the supply voltage getting lower than about 6.5 V. The output of the IC is shunted by a simple LC filter formed by L1, C3 and D2.

The oscillator on board the IC generates a clock frequency of around 65 kHz and drives the output transistor via two NOR gates. The built-in error detector, the "battery low" indicator or the voltage comparator can block the clock frequency, which causes the transistor to switch off.

The IC compares the output voltage of 5 V with a built-in reference (FET). Depending on the load, the FET will be switched on for longer or shorter periods. The maximum current through the FET is 375 mA, which corresponds with a maximum output current of 80 mA.

## SWITCHING IMPROVES REGULATOR EFFICIENCY

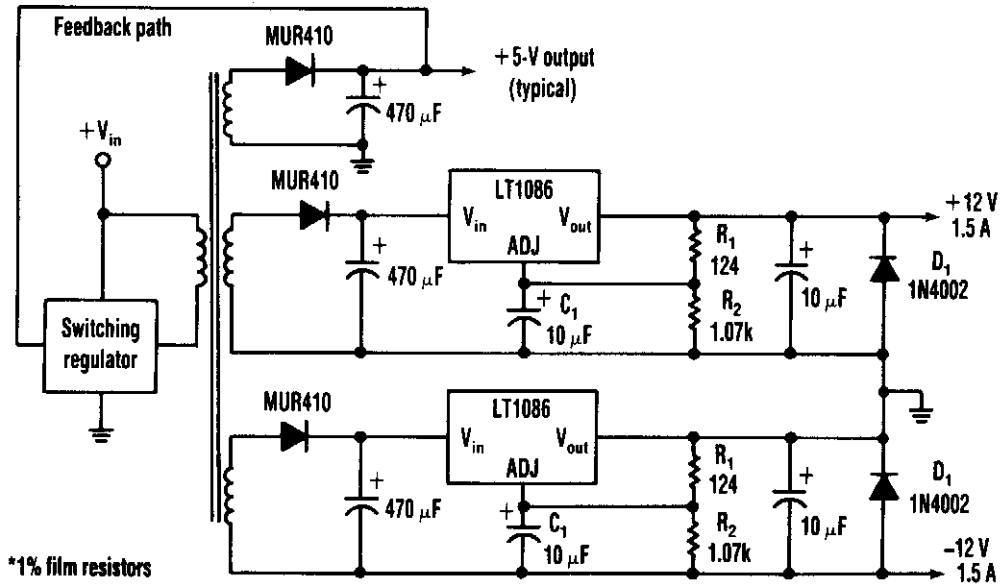


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Fig. 73-2

In this circuit, a full-wave bridge is switched to a full-wave center tap to reduce regulator dissipation. SCR D6 switches between configurations. When D6 is off, the circuit is an FWCT rectifier using D1, D2, and D5. It applies 17 V plus ripple to the regulator input. The drop across the regulator supplies base drive to Q2. If Q2 is on, Q1 is off, and D6 is off. If the regulator voltage drops below about 3 V, Q2 turns off, and turns Q1 on, which turns on D6. This changes the circuit to an FW bridge using D1 through D4.

## EFFICIENT NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATION



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 73-3

Many applications require highly efficient negative-voltage post regulators with low dropout voltage in switch-mode supplies.

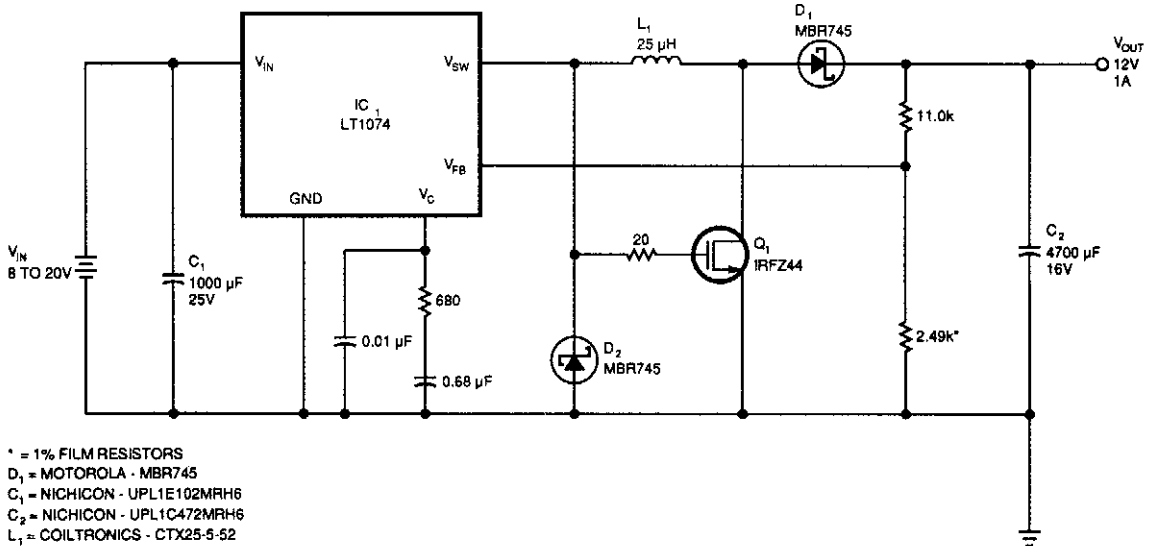
A way to provide good negative-voltage regulation is with a low-dropout positive-voltage regulator operating from a well-isolated secondary winding of the switch-mode transformer. The technique works with any positive-voltage regulator, although highest efficiency occurs with low-dropout types.

In the circuit, two programming resistors,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , set the output voltage to 12 V, and the LT1086s servo the voltage between the output and its adjusting (ADJ) terminals to 1.25 V. Capacitor  $C_1$  improves ripple rejection, and protection diode  $D_1$  eliminates common-load problems.

Because a secondary winding is galvanically isolated, a regulator's 12-V output can be referenced to ground. Therefore, in the case of a negative-voltage output, the positive-voltage terminal of the regulator connects to ground, and the -12-V output comes off the anode of  $D_1$ . The  $V_{in}$  terminal floats at 1.5 V or more above ground. This arrangement is the equivalent of connecting the positive terminal of a battery to ground and taking the output from the negative terminal.



## HIGH- OR LOW-INPUT REGULATOR



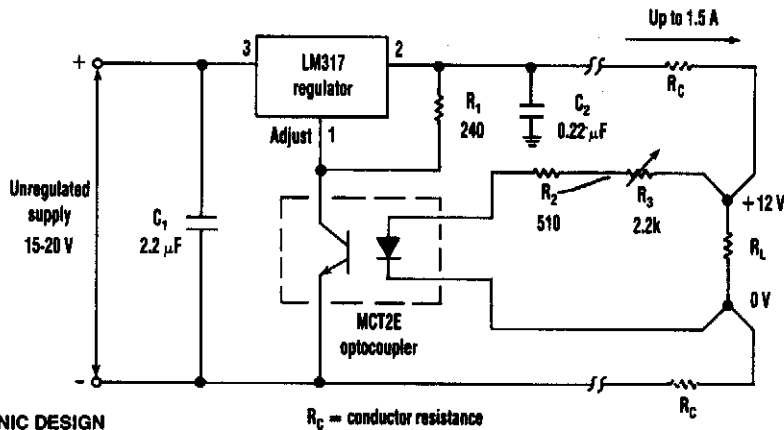
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Fig. 73-4

This regulator provides 12 V at 1 A out with an input voltage of 8 to 20 V. Output voltage can be changed by charging the 11-k $\Omega$  and 2.49-k $\Omega$  resistors to provide 2.21 V at the  $V_{FB}$  pin of IC1, if desired. If you need to handle a higher input voltage, make sure to clamp the gate of Q1 below its 20-V max. rating.

Efficiency can exceed 70% for output currents greater than 0.5 A; above 15-V input voltage, more than 2 A of output current can be obtained.

## LM317 REGULATOR SENSING

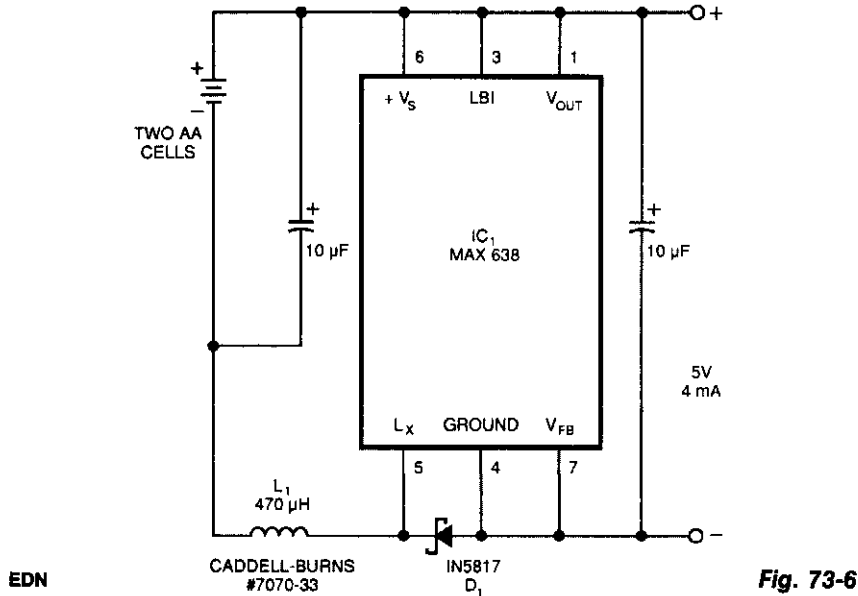


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 73-5

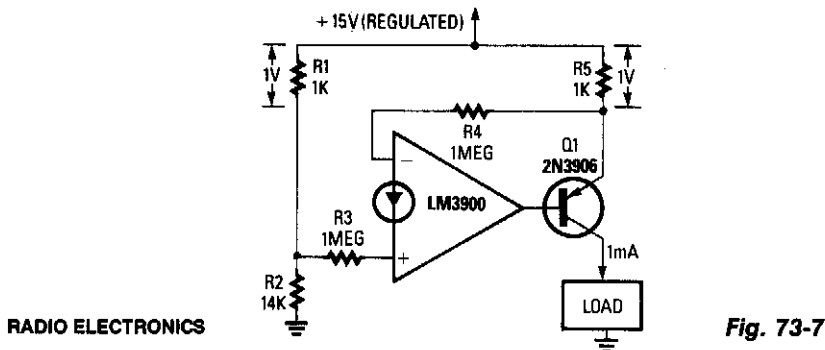
The optocoupler (as shown) provides load sensing for a 3-terminal regulator, such as the LM317 series. R1 sets a current of 5 mA through the optocoupler transistor and R3 is adjusted for 12 V across the load.

### COMMON HOT-LEAD REGULATOR



This circuit derives 5 Vdc from 2-AA cells—even at their end-life voltages of 1.05 V, and is approximately 80% efficient, providing 5 V at 4 mA from 2.1 V at 11 mA. IC1 is manufactured by Maxim Integrated Products, Inc.

### FIXED-CURRENT REGULATOR



This fixed 1-mA current source delivers a fixed current to a load connected between Q1's collector and ground; the load can be anywhere in the range from 0  $\Omega$  to 14  $\Omega$ . The circuit is powered from a regulated 15-V supply, and the R1/R2 voltage divider applies a 14-V reference to R3. The op amp's output automatically adjusts to provide an identical voltage at the junction of R4 and R5. That produces 1 V across R5, resulting in an R5 current of 1 mA. Because that current is derived from Q1's emitter, and the emitter and collector currents of a transistor are almost identical, the circuit provides a fixed-current source. The output current can be doubled by halving the value of R5.

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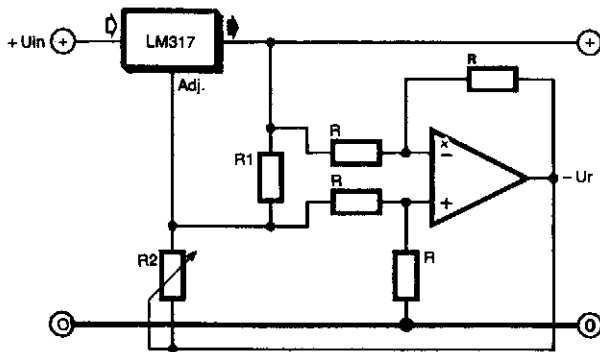
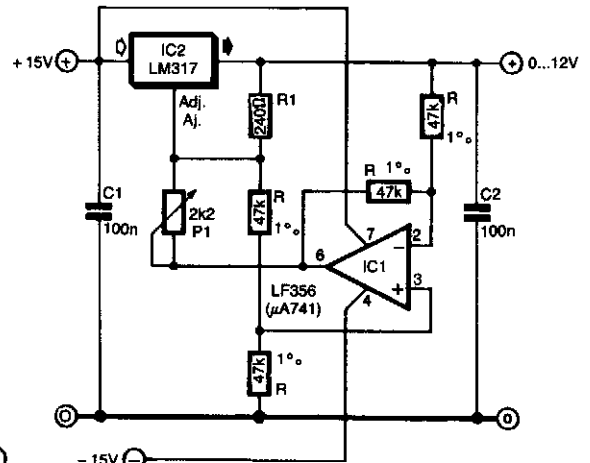
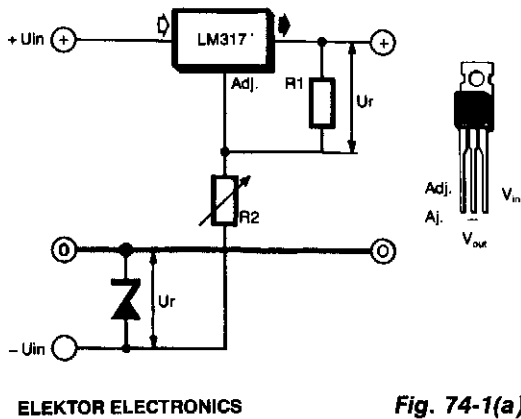
## Regulators (Variable)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 676. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Regulator Circuit  
Programmable Zener  
Variable Voltage Regulator

## REGULATOR CIRCUIT

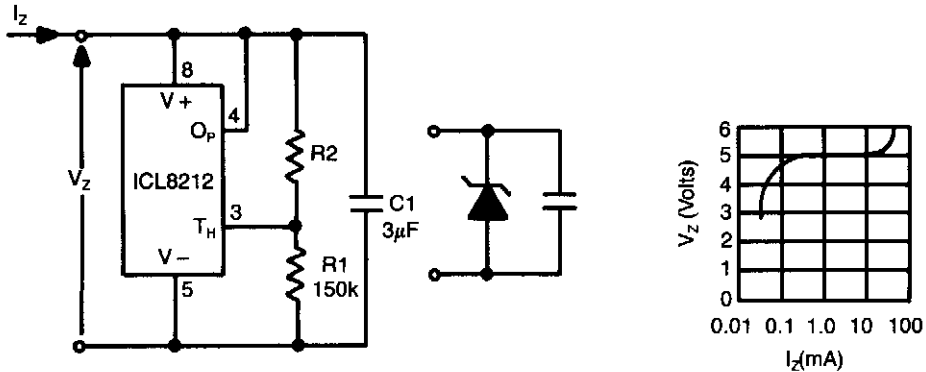


The special characteristic of this regulator is that the output voltage can be adjusted down to 0 V. The regulation is provided by an integrated regulator Type LM317. As is normal in supplies that can be adjusted to 0 V, this IC is used in conjunction with a zener diode. This diode provides a reference voltage that is equal, but of opposite sign, to the reference voltage ( $U_r$ ) of the regulator, as shown in Fig. 74-1(a). Potential divider  $R1/R2$  enables the output voltage to be adjusted.

In this circuit, the negative reference voltage is derived in a different manner: from the regulator with the aid of an op amp (Fig. 74-1(b)). The op amp is connected as a differential amplifier that measures the voltage across  $R1$  and inverts this voltage to  $U_r$ . An additional advantage of this method is that at low-output voltages, a change in the reference voltage has less effect on the output voltage than the circuit in Fig. 74-1(a). The prototype, constructed as shown in Fig. 74-1(c), gave very satisfactory results.

The op amp need not meet any special requirements: a  $\mu A741$  works fine, although an LF356 gives a slightly better performance. The negative supply for the op amp can be obtained with the aid of a center-tapped mains transformer.

## PROGRAMMABLE ZENER



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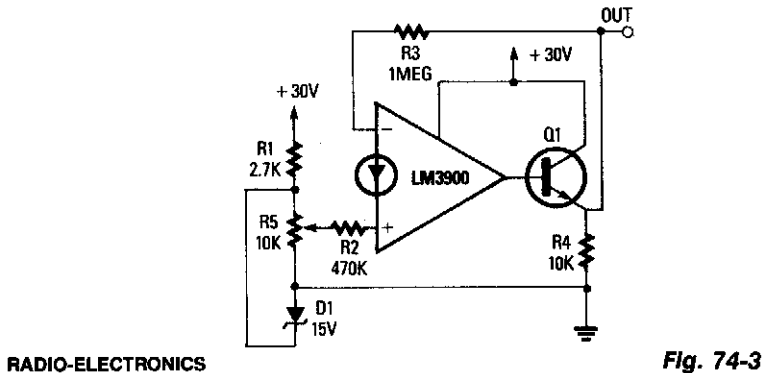
**Fig. 74-2**

The ICL8212 is connected as a programmable zener diode. Zener voltages from 2 V up to 30 V can be programmed by suitably selecting R2. The zener voltage is:

$$V_Z = 1.15 \times \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1}$$

Because of the absence of internal compensation in the ICL8212, C1 is necessary to ensure stability. Two points worthy of note are the extremely low-knee current (less than 300  $\mu$ A) and the low dynamic impedance (typically 4 to 7 ohms) over the operating current range of 300  $\mu$ A to 12 mA.

## VARIABLE VOLTAGE REGULATOR



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**Fig. 74-3**

The op amp is wired as a  $\times 2$  noninverting dc amplifier with a gain that is determined by the R3/R2 ratio. The input voltage to the op amp is variable between 0 and 15 V via R5. The output voltage is therefore variable over the approximate range from 0.5 to 30 V. The available output current has been boosted by adding transistor Q1 to the output.

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## Relay Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 676. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Latching ac Solid-State Relay  
Bidirectional Switch  
Low-Consumption Monostable Relay  
Delay-Off Relay Circuit  
Solid-State Relay  
Optoisolator

## LATCHING ac SOLID-STATE RELAY

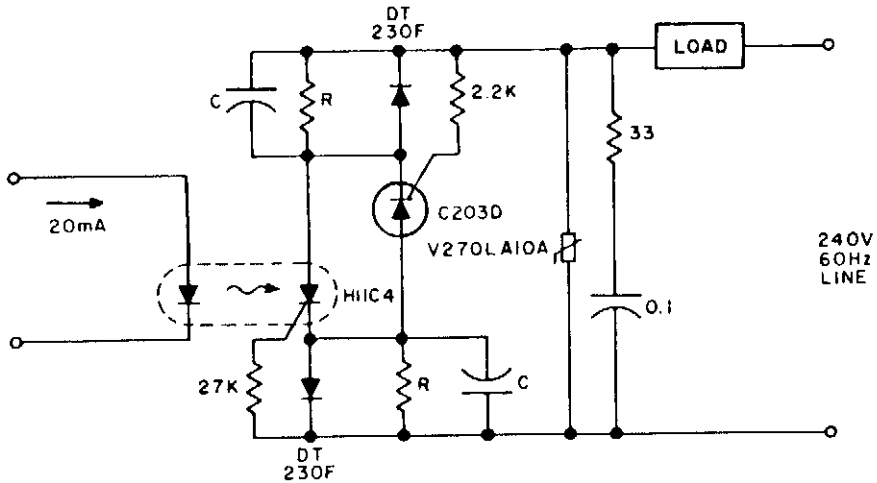
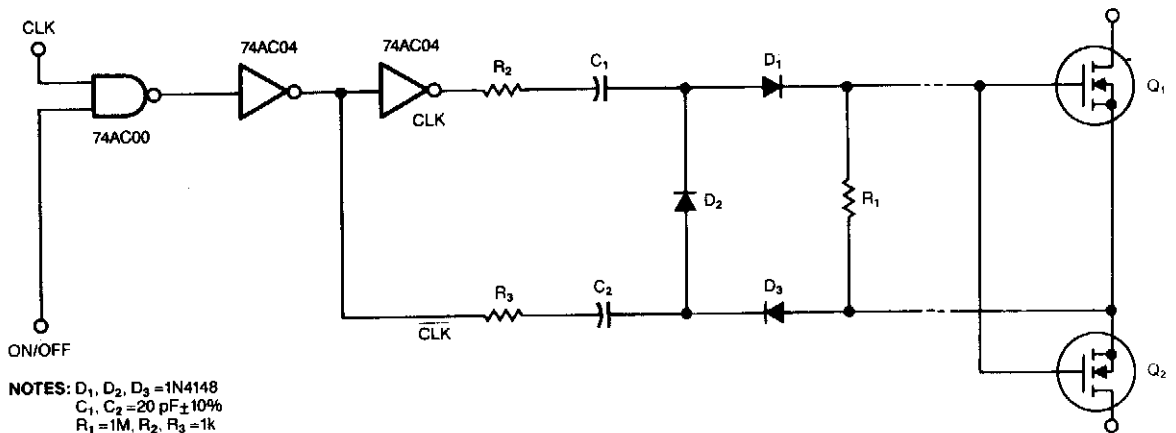


Fig. 75-1

Latching is obtained by storing the gate trigger energy from the preceding half cycle in the capacitors. Power must be interrupted for more than one full cycle of the line to ensure turn-off. Resistor R and capacitor C are chosen to minimize dissipation, while assuring triggering of the respective SCRs for each cycle. A pulse of current, over 10 ms duration into the H11C4 IRED, ensures triggering the latching relay into conduction.

## BIDIRECTIONAL SWITCH



NOTES:  $D_1, D_2, D_3 = 1N4148$   
 $C_1, C_2 = 20 \text{ pF} \pm 10\%$   
 $R_1 = 1M, R_2, R_3 = 1k$

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Fig. 75-2

Using voltage doublers, this simple switch circuit uses a clock signal and a control signal to switch MOSFETs.

## LOW-CONSUMPTION MONOSTABLE RELAY

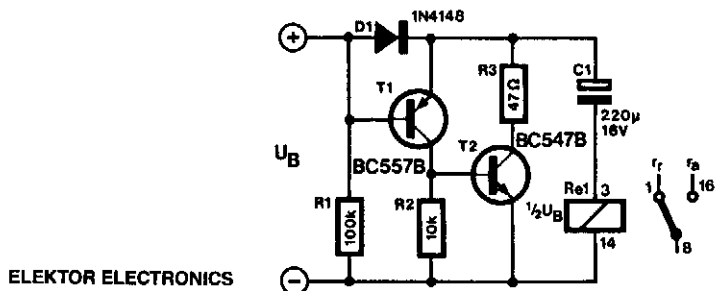


Fig. 75-3

A monostable relay has two states: *operative* when a large enough current flows through its coil and *quiescent* when no current flows. A relay contact that assumes a certain position after the supply voltage has been switched on is required in many applications. Of course, many relays operate in that manner.

However, most of these relays require an energizing current of 50 mA or more and that normally precludes a battery supply. The circuit presented here, which uses a bistable relay, can solve that problem.

The contact of a bistable relay normally remains in the position it is in after the supply is switched off. This circuit, however, makes the bistable relay behave like a monostable type, at a modest current.

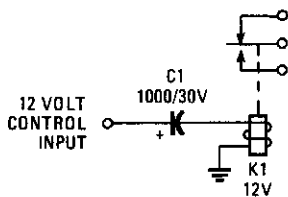
When the supply voltage is switched on, C1 charges via D1 and the relay coil. The current then flowing through the coil causes the relay contact to assume one of two positions. The forward drop across D1 ensures that the base of T1 (in this condition) is more positive than its emitter so that T1, and thus T2, is switched off.

When the supply voltage is switched off, the emitter of T1 is connected to the positive terminal of C1, while the base is connected to the negative terminal of the capacitor via R1 and the relay coil. This results in T1, and thus T2, switching on so that C1 discharges via T4 and the relay. The current flows through the relay coil, then flows in an opposite direction and this causes the contact to change over.

The bistable relay thus behaves exactly as a monostable with the advantage, however, that the operational current is determined by R1, which amounts to only 130  $\mu$ A.

To ensure reliable operation, the rating of the relay coil should be 65 to 75% of the supply voltage. In the prototype, a 9-V relay was used with a battery supply voltage of 12 V.

## DELAY-OFF RELAY CIRCUIT



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Fig. 75-4

When voltage is applied to the capacitor, it charges. While it's charging, the relay remains latched. When the charging current falls below the level needed to hold the relay down, the relay unlatches. The higher the value of the capacitor, the longer the relay will remain latched.



## SOLID-STATE RELAY

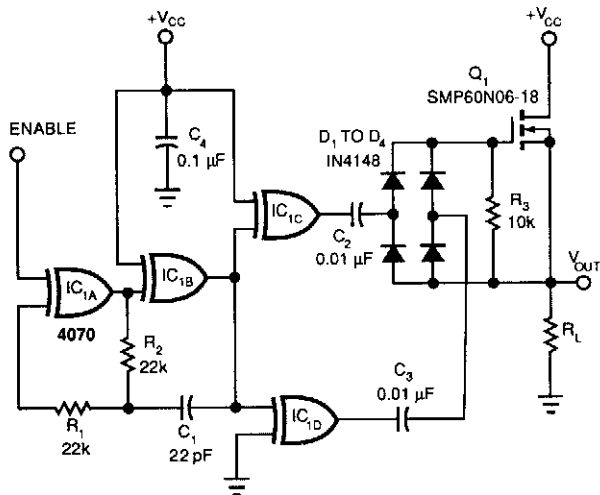


Fig. 75-5(a)

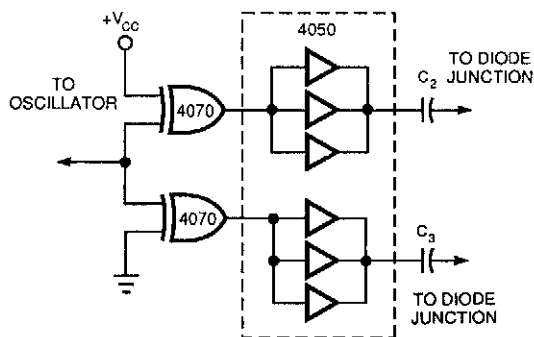


Fig. 75-5(b)

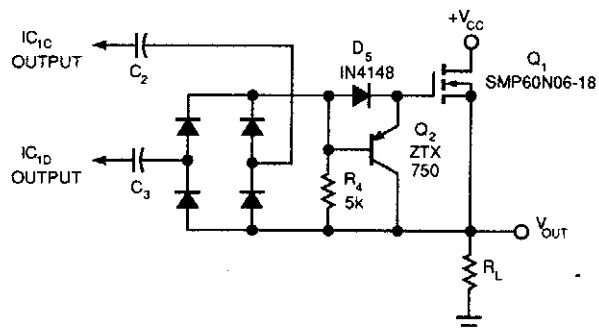


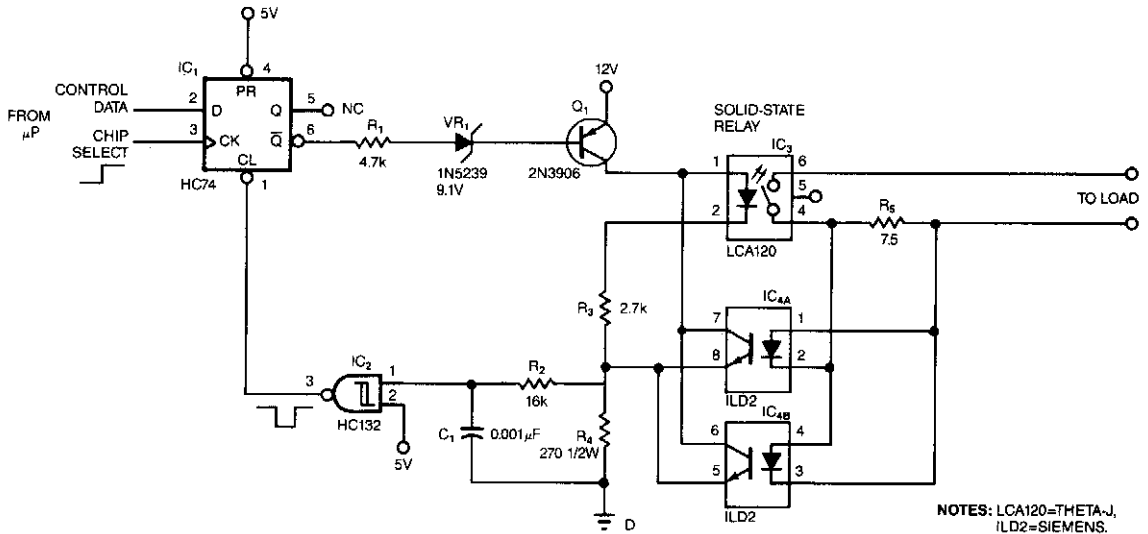
Fig. 75-5(c)

A power MOSFET and a quad exclusive-OR oscillator makes an effective solid-state relay. Figure 75-5(a)'s capacitively isolated drive circuit provides gate drive to turn on the n-channel device. This consists of a gated oscillator (IC1A and IC1B running at 500 kHz, set by R1, R2, and C1).

The diode bridge (D1 through D4) rectifies the charge transferred through C2 and C3. When you disable the oscillator, R3 discharges the stored gate charge, thereby turning off the MOSFET. R3 needs to allow fast turn-off times without loading the gate's enhancement voltage. A value of 10-k $\Omega$  is sufficient to produce a turn-off time of 800  $\mu$ s with an 18-m $\Omega$  SMP60N06-18 MOSFET. The measured turn-on time is 150  $\mu$ s.

You can reduce the turn-off time to 100  $\mu$ s by using a pnp transistor as a diode-steering emitter-follower in the MOSFET gate circuit (Fig. 75-5(b)). Adding a hex buffer to Fig. 75-5A's circuit increases the drive capability of the complementary outputs (Fig. 75-5(c)).

## OPTOISOLATOR



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**Fig. 75-6**

The circuit protects a solid-state relay from overloads. The circuit limits current, automatically disconnects the load after detecting a short circuit, and develops a fault-condition output signal.

In normal operation, the controlling  $\mu\text{P}$  sets the flip-flop, IC1, which turns on transistor Q1. When Q1 turns on, current flows through the solid-state relay's input, thus activating the relay.

If an overcurrent or fault condition occurs, the excessive load current flowing through the relay develops enough potential across sense resistor R5 to turn on one of the optoisolators, IC4A or IC4B. The optoisolator's output transistor diverts current around the solid-state relay's input, which limits the current that the relay's output can pass.

If the overload is severe enough, the optoisolator pulls the input of the Schmitt trigger above its threshold, thus clearing the flip-flop and turning off the solid-state relay. R2 has two functions: It keeps the input of the Schmitt trigger below 5 V max. to prevent latchup, and it forms an RC filter in conjunction with C1. The RC filter prevents spurious triggering of the Schmitt trigger. You can use the output of the flip-flop to signal overload conditions to the controlling  $\mu\text{P}$ .

# 76

## RF Amplifiers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 676. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 4-W Amplifier for 900 MHz        | Varactor-Tuned Preselector                 |
| 1 500-W RF Amplifier             | Cascode RF Amplifier                       |
| Wideband RF Amplifier            | Dual-Gate MOSFET RF-Amp Stage              |
| 6-m 100-W Linear Amplifier       | Wideband Amplifier-Buffer Amplifier with   |
| 10- to 15-W ATV Linear Amplifier | Modulator                                  |
| UHF TV-Line Amplifier            | Wideband Amplifier                         |
| Double-Tuned JFET Preselector    | Buffer Amplifier with Modulator            |
| 903-MHz Linear Amplifiers        | Two CA3100 Wideband Operational Amplifiers |
| Simple JFET Preselector          | HF Wideband Amplifier                      |
| 1 296-MHz RF Amplifier           | MOSFET Wideband Amplifier                  |
| Broadcast Band Booster           | JFET Wideband Amplifier                    |

## 4-W AMPLIFIER FOR 900 MHz

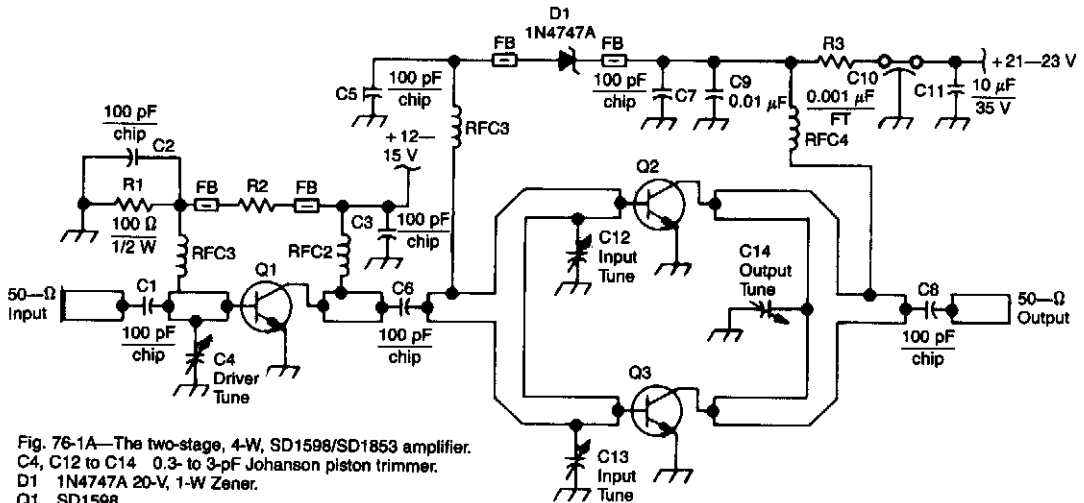
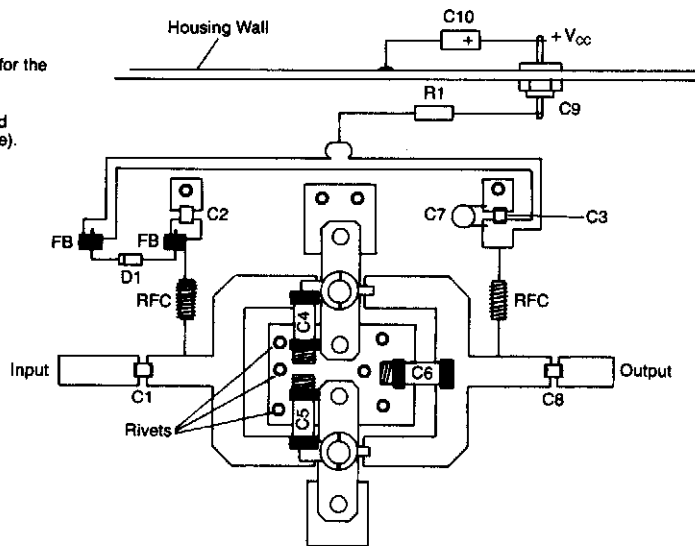


Fig. 76-1A—The two-stage, 4-W, SD1598/SD1853 amplifier.  
 C4, C12 to C14 0.3- to 3-pF Johanson piston trimmer.  
 D1 1N4747A 20-V, 1-W Zener.  
 Q1 SD1598.  
 Q2, Q3 SD1853.  
 R2 1.5 to 1.7 k $\Omega$ , 1/2 W. See text, Part 1, June 1990 QST, p 24.  
 R3 1 to 2  $\Omega$ , 2 W.  
 RFC1 to RFC4 8 turns of #26 enam. wire, closewound, 0.1" ID.

Fig. 76-1B—Parts-placement diagram for the 2  $\times$  SD1853 amplifier. The PC-board edges are not shown. All components mount to the trace side of the PC board (except those mounted to the enclosure).

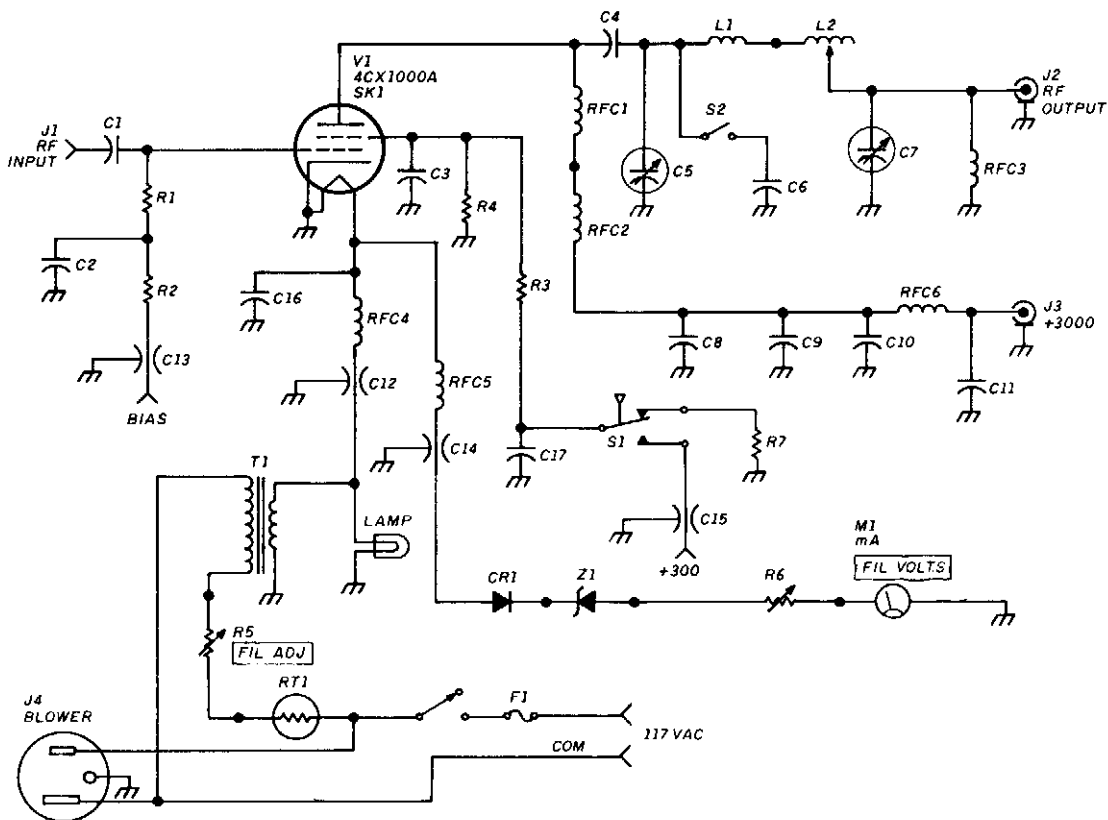


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Fig. 76-1

Using Wilkinson power dividers in the base and collector circuits of Q2 and Q3, two SD1853 devices are paralleled for twice the power output of the 2-W amplifier.

## 1500-W RF AMPLIFIER



- C1,2—0.01  $\mu$ F silver mica transmitting capacitor
- C3—1500 pF screen grid bypass (internal to tube socket)
- C4—2000 pF, 5 kV, two 858S capacitors in parallel, Centralab
- C5—Vacuum variable, 10 to 300 pF, 10 kV, Jennings UCS-300 (plate tuning)
- C6—300 pF, 5 kV, Centralab-type 858S
- C7—Vacuum variable, 3000 pF maximum, 3 kV, Jennings UCSL-3000 (loading)
- C8—0.0014  $\mu$ F, 10 kV (EM)
- C9—0.005  $\mu$ F, 15 kV oil capacitor
- C10,11—500 pF, 20 kV "TV doorknob," Centralab
- C12—0.05  $\mu$ F, 20 A feedthrough, Sprague
- C13,14,15—1000 pF feedthrough
- C16—0.1  $\mu$ F, 100 volts DC disc ceramic
- D1—Silicon diode, 1N4148 or 1N914
- F1—3 A fuse
- J1—BNC chassis mount

- J2—N chassis mount
- J3—HN chassis mount, used with RG213 for 3 kV feed
- J4—Chassis-mount AC outlet, Amphenol 160-2N, AL part no. 713-5202
- Lamp—No. 47 6.3 volt lamp
- L1—3.5 turns no. 10 silver-plated wire, 1 inch ID, 2 inches long, self-supporting
- L2—24 H roller inductor, Johnson 226-1 (EM, CC)
- M1—1 mA DC meter movement, filament voltage
- R1—50 ohm, 60 watt noninductive resistor, thirty 1500 ohm 2 watt carbon composition resistors connected in parallel (see text)
- R2—1000 ohm, 2 watt carbon composition
- R3—100 ohm, 2 watt carbon composition
- R4—220 K, 2 watt carbon composition
- R5—25 ohm, 25 watt wirewound adjustable
- R6—1000 ohm, 2 watt carbon or wirewound
- pot

## 1500-W RF AMPLIFIER (Cont.)

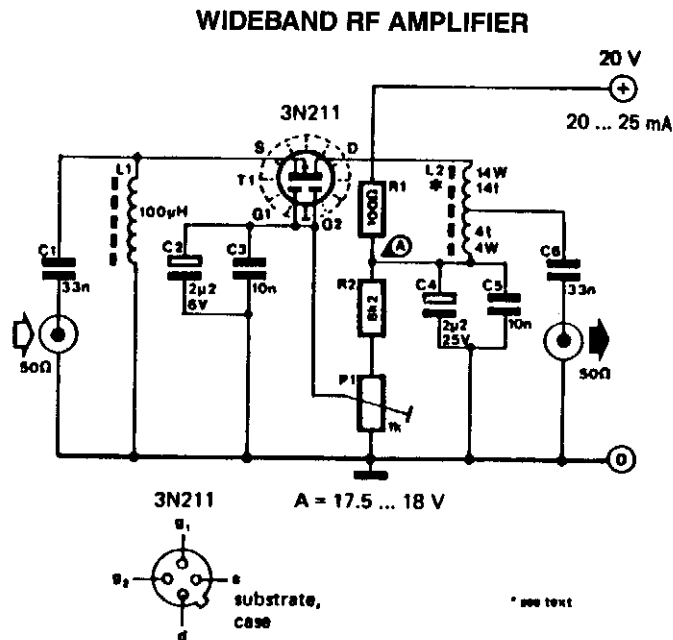
R7—10,000 ohm, 2 watt carbon composition  
 RFC1—28 turns no. 18 wire solenoid wound  
 on 0.5 inch OD by 2.5 inch ceramic form  
 (plate choke)  
 RFC2—Plate choke, surplus part (suggest  
 B&W 801)  
 RFC3—74 turns no. 20 wire solenoid wound  
 on 0.75 OD by 3 inch ceramic form  
 RFC4—9  $\mu$ H 15 A RF choke, surplus part  
 (suggest Dale no. 1H15, HF no. 18-105)

RFC5—1.0 mH RF choke  
 RFC6—10 H, 1 A RF choke  
 RT1—Surgistor, GC 25-933-S  
 S1—Air flow switch, Rotron 2A-1350  
 SK1—Eimac socket, Sk-810B; chimney  
 SK-806 (BY)  
 T1—Transformer, 6.3 volts AC at 10 A sec-  
 ond—ary, Thordarson 21F12, AL 704-2019  
 Z1—Zener diode, 6.2 volts, 1N473

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Fig. 76-2

The frequency range of this amplifier is 1.8 to 54 MHz. The amount of RF drive required for full output is about 30 W. The grid compartment (R1, R2, RFC4, RFC5) should be shielded from the other circuitry—especially the output circuitry.

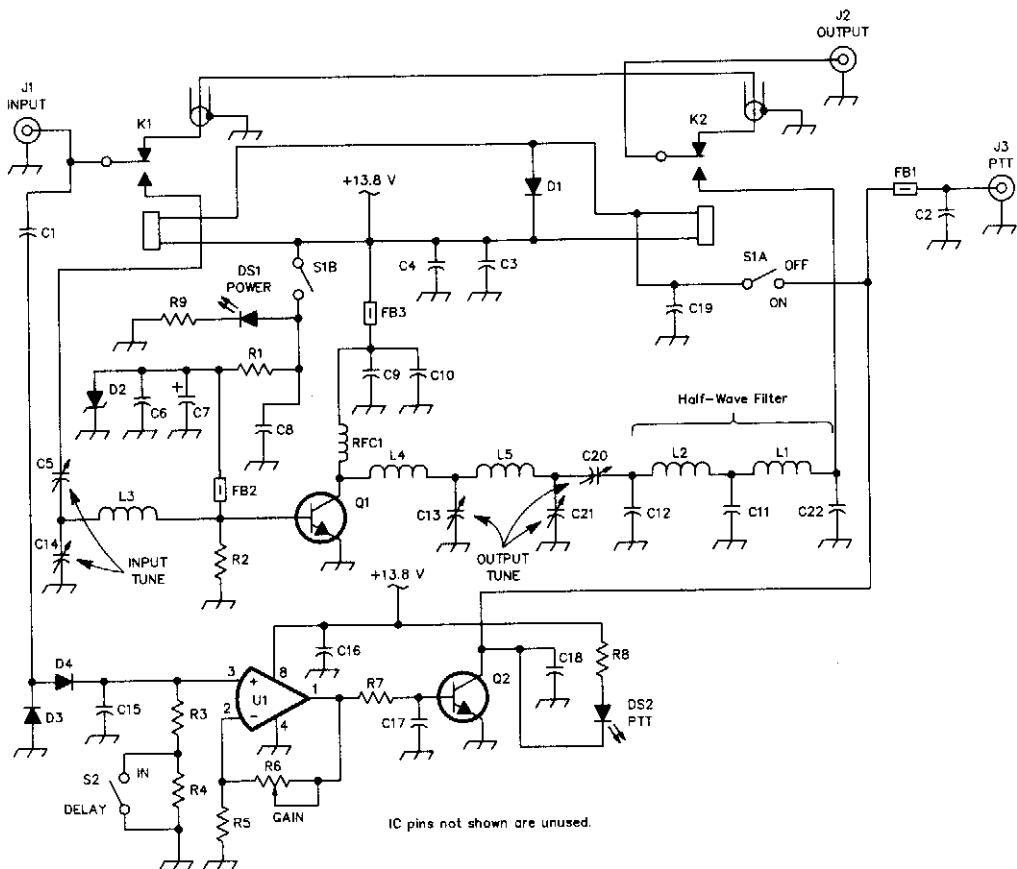


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Fig. 76-3

This RF amplifier has wide bandwidth and dynamic range. It has a gain of 10 dB, noise figure less than 5 dB, and the third-order 1 MD is -40 dB at +22 dBm/tonne output. The bandwidth is 4 to 55 MHz.

## 6-m 100-W LINEAR AMPLIFIER



- C1—10 pF, ceramic disc.  
 C2—0.01  $\mu$ F, polyester film.  
 C3, C10—0.001  $\mu$ F, ceramic disc.  
 C4, C6, C8, C9, C15-C19—0.1  $\mu$ F, polyester film.  
 C5—9- to 180-pF mica compression trimmer, Arco no. 463.  
 C7—1000  $\mu$ F, 6.3 V, aluminum electrolytic.  
 C11—120 pF, 100 V, silver mica.  
 C12, C22—62 pF, 100 V, silver mica.  
 C13, C14, C20—50- to 380-pF mica compression trimmer, Arco no. 465.  
 C21—25- to 280-pF mica compression trimmer, Arco no. 464.  
 D1—1N4002.  
 D2—1N1200 stud-mount diode.  
 D3, D4—1N4148.  
 DS1—Green LED.  
 DS2—Red LED.
- FB1, FB3—Ferrite bead, Amidon no. FB43-901 or similar.  
 FB2—VK-200 wide-band choke, 2½ turns no. 24 solid wire on Amidon no. FB43-S111 ferrite core.

- J1, J2—Female RF connector (UHF, BNC, N, etc).  
 J3—Phono jack.  
 K1, K2—SPDT relay, 12-V dc coil, Omron no. G5L112P-PS-DC12. Available from Digi-Key.  
 L1, L2—4 turns no. 14 enam wire, 7/16 in. diam, 3/8 in. long.  
 L3—2 turns no. 14 enam wire, 3/8 in. diam, ½ in. long.  
 L4—no. 14 U-shaped wire loop, 3/8 in. diam, 9/16 in. finished length.  
 Q1—MRF492.  
 Q2—2N2222A.
- R1—5-W bias resistor (see text).  
 R2—10  $\Omega$ , ½ W, carbon comp.  
 R3, R5—10 k $\Omega$ , ¼ W, carbon comp.  
 R4—1 M $\Omega$ , ¼ W, carbon comp.  
 R6—100-k $\Omega$  PC-board potentiometer.  
 R7-R9—1 k $\Omega$ , ¼ W, carbon comp.  
 S1—DPDT miniature toggle.  
 S2—SPST miniature toggle.  
 U1—LM358.

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Fig. 76-4

## 6-m 100-W LINEAR AMPLIFIER (Cont.)

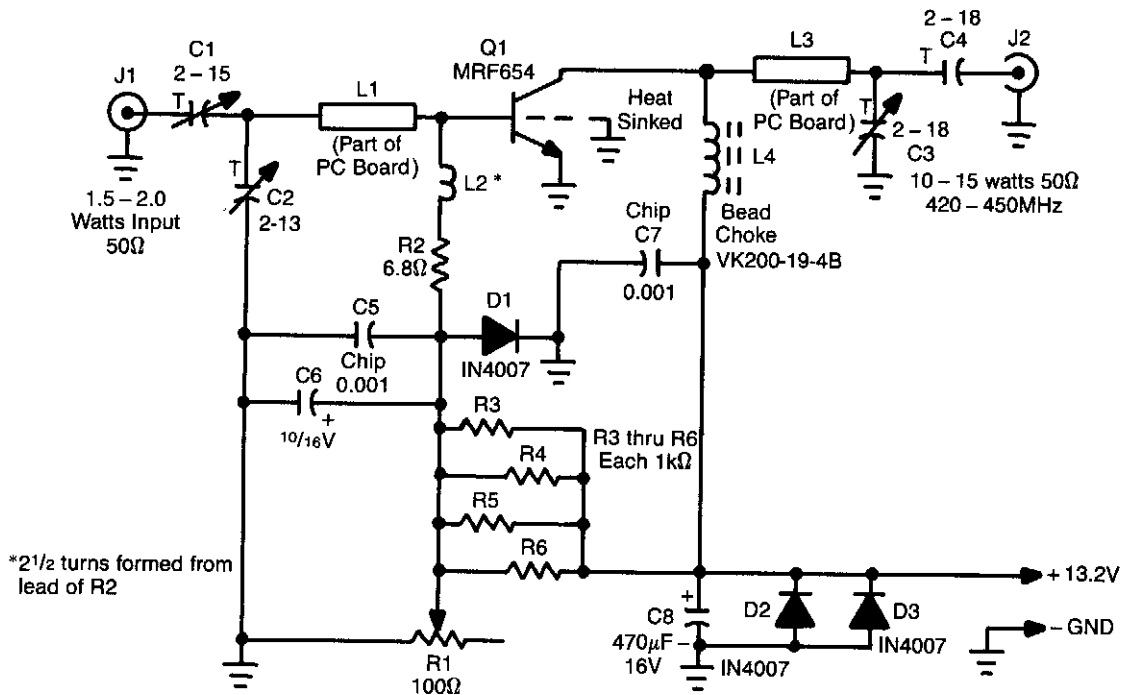
### Miscellaneous

Suitable die-cast-aluminum enclosure and heat sink.  
Pair of binding posts or other suitable dc-supply connector.

Two 1- × 3-in. strips of double-sided foam tape.  
Two LED holders.  
Seven no. 4-40 × ¼ in. machine screws.

100 W output at 50 MHz is available from this circuit. U1 and Q2 form a T-R relay driver, switching the amplifier on when RF input at J1 is sensed. During receive periods, J1 and J2 are directly connected. A 13.8-V supply is required for this amplifier.

## 10- to 15-W ATV LINEAR AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 76-5

This amplifier is useful for applications where a 10- to 15-W peak-envelope-power (PEP) signal is needed in the 420- to 520-MHz range. C1, C2, and L1 form a matching network for amplifier Q1. L3, C3, and C4 form an output matching network for a 50-Ω load. L2, R2, D1, and R3 through R6 (with bias adjust R1) form a biasing network for Q1. D2 and D3 provide polarity protection for Q1, which must be heat-sinked. A kit of all parts including case and PC board is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804.





## UHF TV-LINE AMPLIFIER (Cont.)

3.9 pF to obtain the correct frequency range. The amplifier can be housed in a watertight case and then mounted near the antenna at the top of the mast (if used).

The power is obtained from a simple stabilized 12-V supply: a mains adapter with a 78L12 will do nicely. This can be kept indoors, of course. The amplifier can be powered via the coaxial feeder cable, for which purpose a 10- to 100- $\mu$ H choke is inserted in the supply line. Calibrating the amplifier is straightforward: set P1 to the center of its travel and then adjust it for optimum picture quality.

In practice, the collector current of the transistor is then 5 to 15 mA. This may be checked by temporarily replacing jump lead A by one suitable meter.

### PARTS LIST

R1, R2 = 1 k $\Omega$

R3 = 2 k $\Omega$

R4 = 470  $\Omega$

P1 = 5 k $\Omega$  preset potentiometer

C1, C2, C6, C7 = 10 pF surface mount

C3 = 10  $\mu$ F; 35 V

C4, C8 = 1 nF disc

C5, C9 = 1 nF disc

L1, L2 = air core, 2 turns of 3mm diameter enamelled copper wire

L3, L4 = 10- $\mu$ H choke or 10 turns of 0.2 mm diameter enamelled copper wire on a ferrite bead.

T1 = 2SC3358

## DOUBLE-TUNED JFET PRESELECTOR

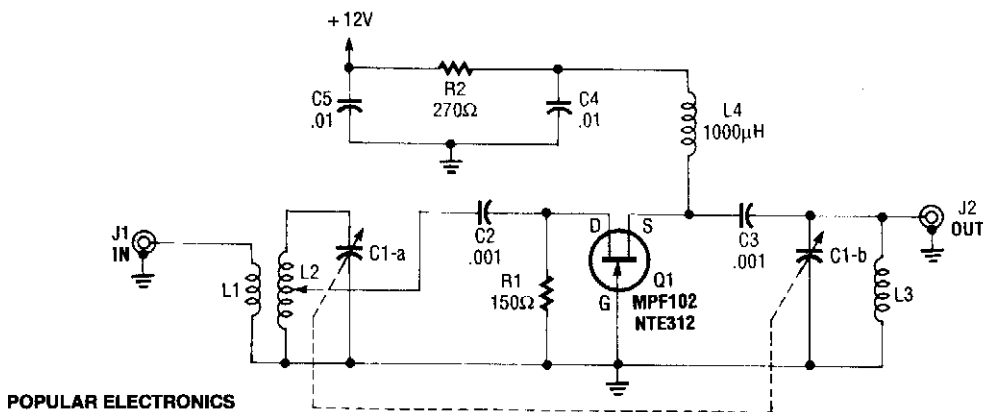


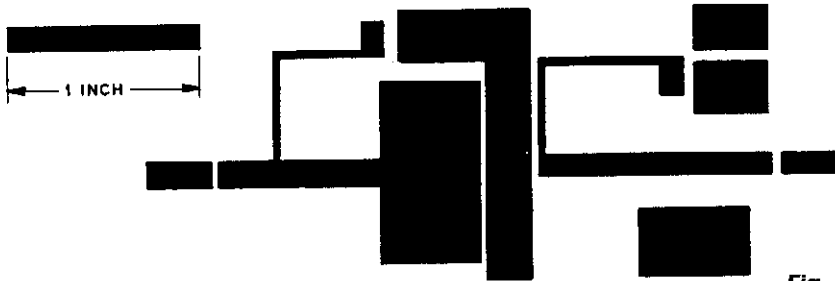
Fig. 76-7

This circuit uses an MPF102 JFET and a double-tuned common-gate amplifier. Gain is typically 10 to 15 dB:

$$L_2 \text{ and } L_3 = \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2 C_1}$$

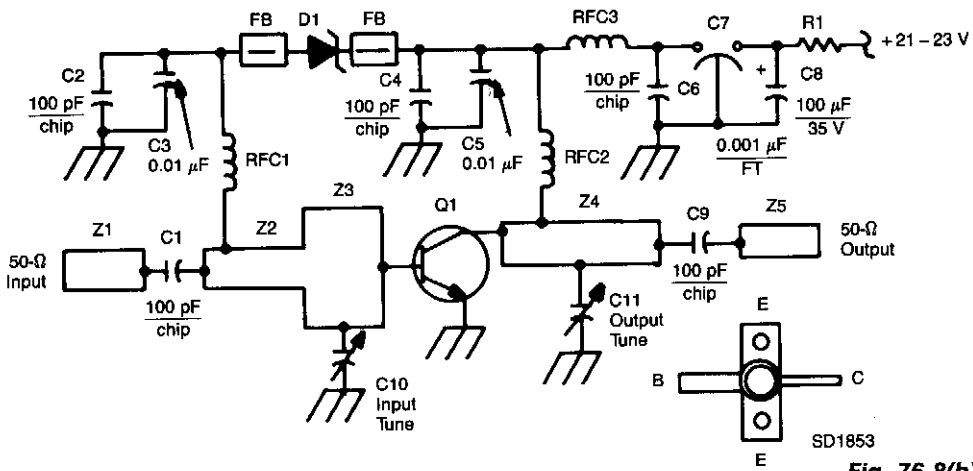
L1  $\approx$  10% turns on L2 or 1 turn (larger of these two).

# 903-MHz LINEAR AMPLIFIERS



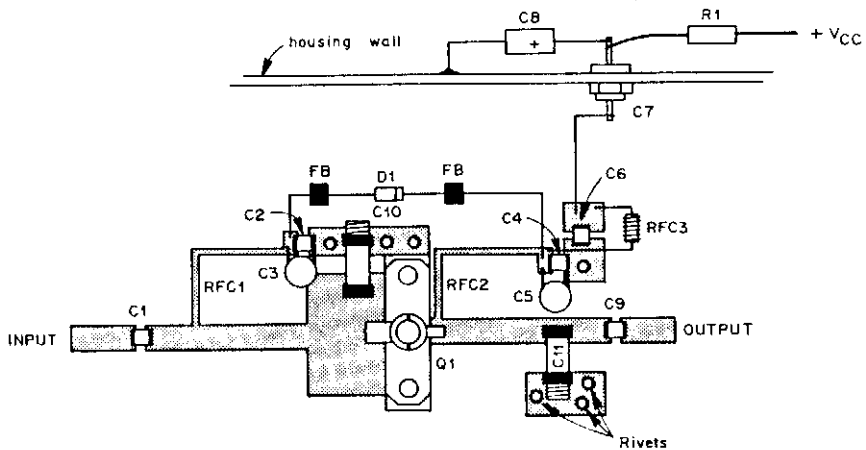
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Fig. 76-8(a)



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Fig. 76-8(b)



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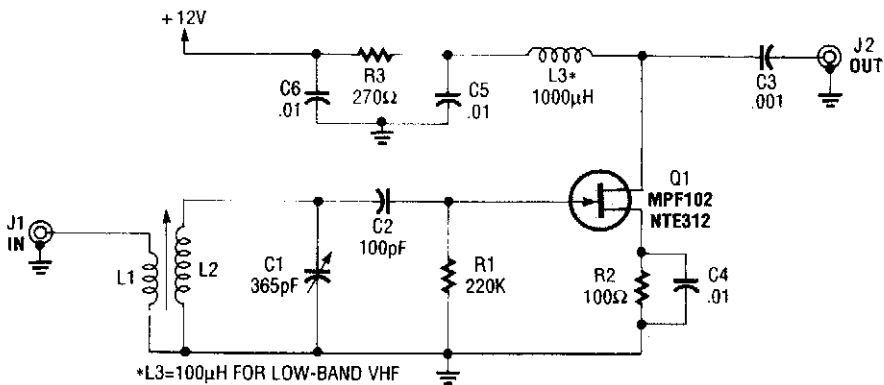
Fig. 76-8(c)

## 903-MHz LINEAR AMPLIFIERS (Cont.)

The 2-W SD1853 amplifier. RFC1 and RFC2 are implemented as PC-board traces.  
 C10,C11 0.3- to 3-pF Johanson piston trimmer.  
 D1 1N4747A 20-V, 1-W Zener.  
 Q1 SD1853.  
 R1 2-3 Ω, 1 W.  
 RFC3 8 turns of #26 enam wire, closewound, 0.1" ID.  
 Z1-Z5 Microstriplines. See text and Fig. 18.

Two W output can be produced by this circuit designed for the 902- to 928-MHz amateur band. As shown in the figures, much of the circuitry is in the form of PC board traces.

## SIMPLE JFET PRESELECTOR



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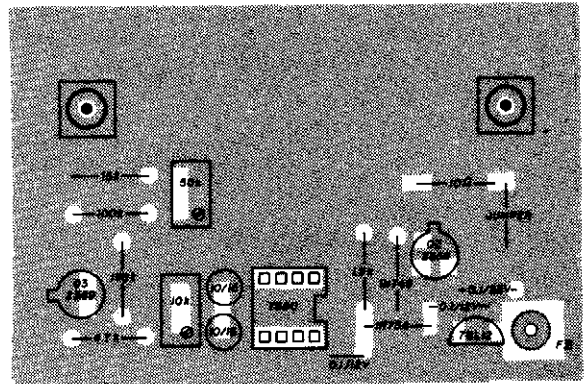
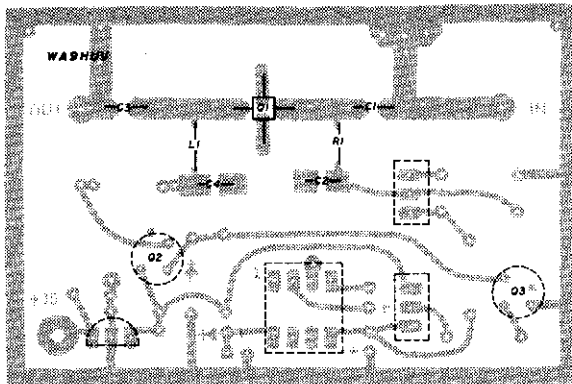
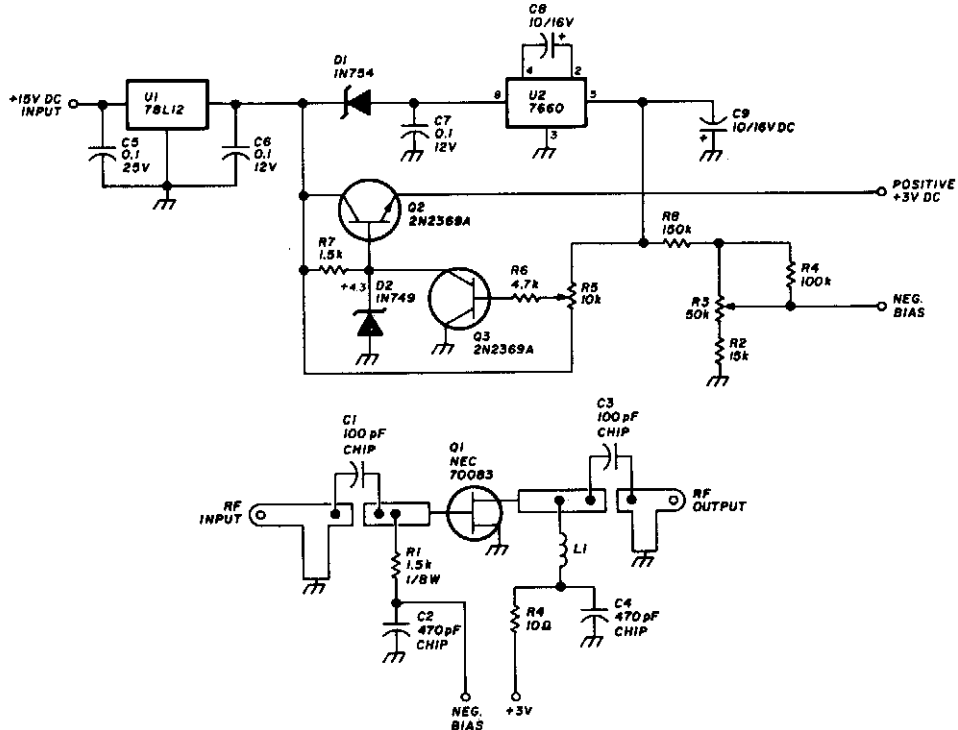
Fig. 76-9

This preselector will improve the performance of simple shortwave receivers. L2 is tuned with Q1. The inductance of L2 is:

$$L_2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2 C_1}$$

and L1 is found around the cold end of L2. Typically, L1 has 10% of the turns in L2, or one turn, whichever is larger.

## 1296-MHz RF AMPLIFIER



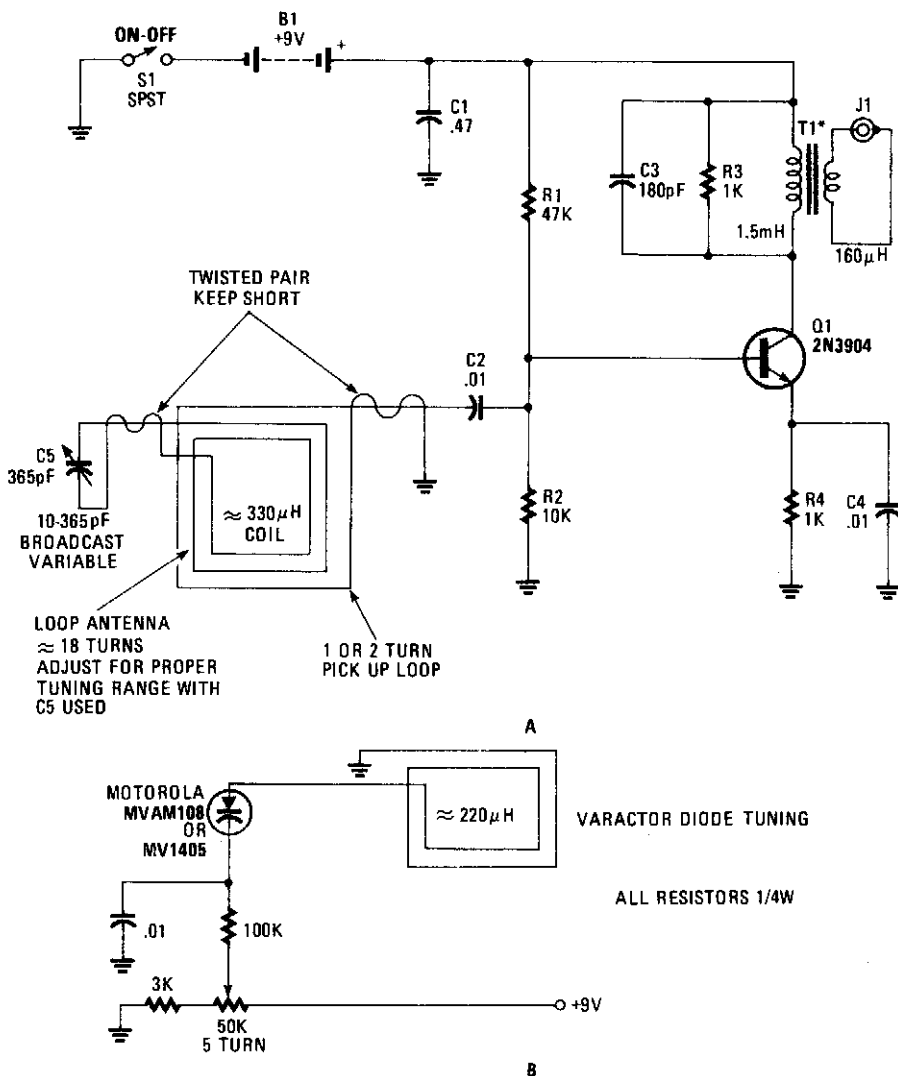
### HAM RADIO

Fig. 76-10

Using an NEC70083, this 1296-MHz amplifier delivers about 17-dB gain and around 1- to 1.5-dB noise. It is constructed on a G-10 epoxy fiberglass PC board. Use the layout shown because this is important for correct performance.

The power supply/regulator delivers the regulated 3-Vdc for the drain circuit and U2 produces a negative bias for the gate circuit. R5 sets the drain voltage to +3 V and R3 sets the gate bias. Typically, the drain current is about 10 mA.

## BROADCAST BAND BOOSTER

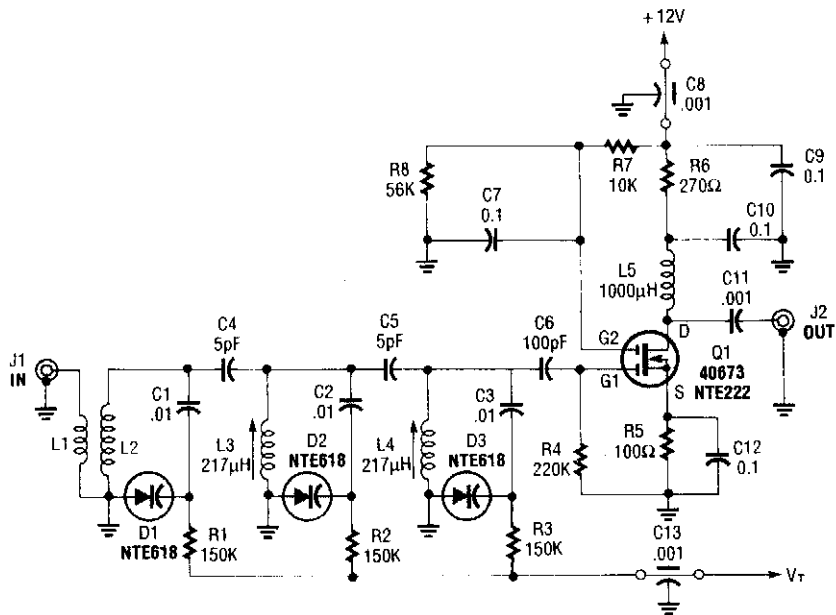


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Fig. 76-11

The use of a loop antenna of large size (12×18") provides a large signal pickup at AM broadcast frequencies. It has about 18 turns. T1 is a toroidal transformer of about 3:1 turns ratio (not critical). The primary winding should have about 1.5 mH inductance. By using the circuit at (B), a varactor diode can be used in place of the 10- to 365-pF variable capacitor.

## VARACTOR-TUNED PRESELECTOR

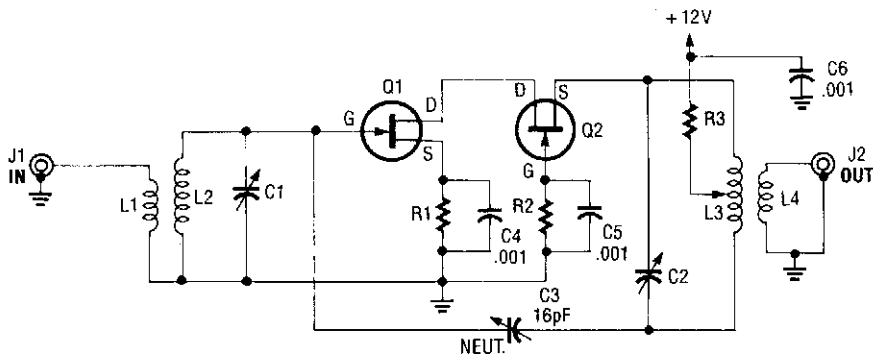


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Fig. 76-12

Varactor diodes replace the conventional 365-pF tuning capacitors, which reduces size and weight when used as a turned RF stage for AM broadcast applications. Selectivity is good enough for use as a TRF receiver if a detector is connected to J2.

## CASCODE RF AMPLIFIER

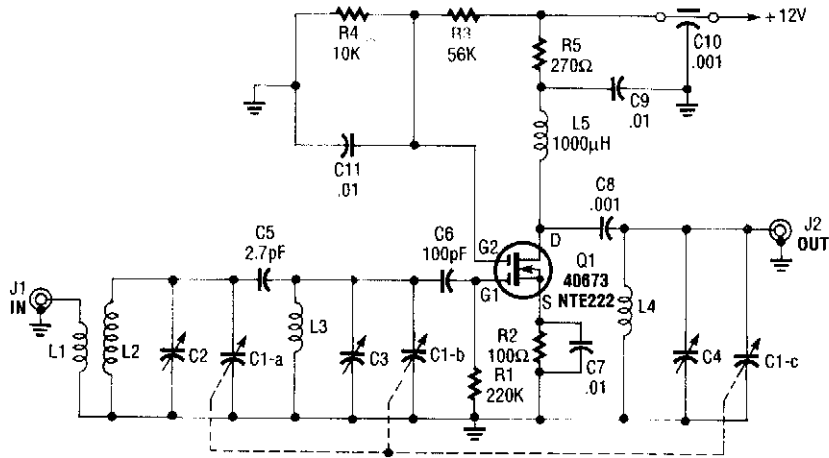


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Fig. 76-13

A cascode amplifier using two MOSFETs is shown in the diagram. L2C1 and L3C2 resonate to the frequency in use. The circuit has the advantage of good gain, low NF, and excellent linearity. Q1 and Q2 can be MPF102 or 2N4416.

## DUAL-GATE MOSFET RF-AMP STAGE

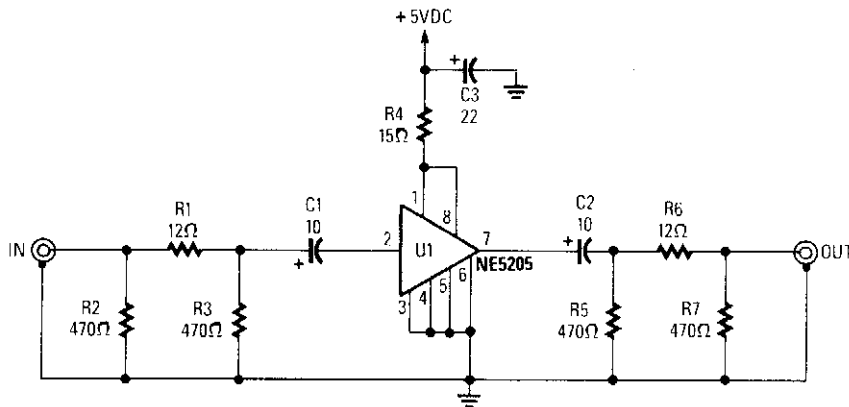


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Fig. 76-14

The use of a double-tuned input and a single-tuned output yield superior RF selectivity to that of equivalent single-tuned designs. AGC, if required, can be added to gate 2 of Q1, and should drive gate 2 negative for decreased gain.

## WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



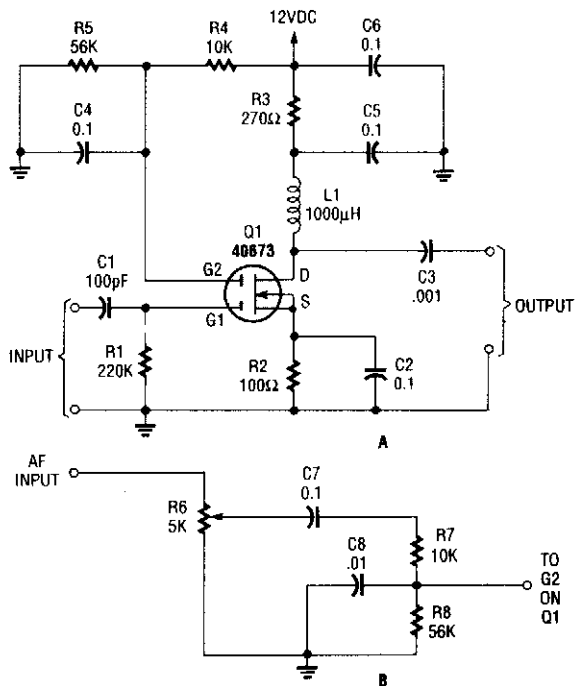
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Fig. 76-15

Using a Signetics NE5205, this circuit gives about +16-dB gain from LF to 600 MHz. The  $\pi$  minimizes load impedance and source-impedance variations and aids stability.



## BUFFER AMPLIFIER WITH MODULATOR

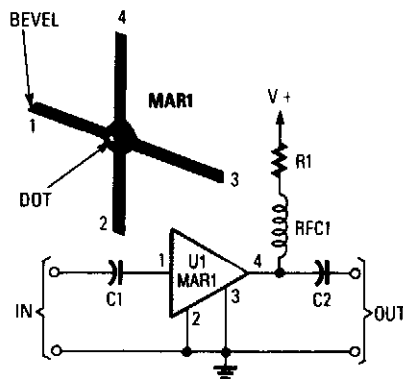


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Fig. 76-16

A 40673 MOSFET is used as a wideband buffer amplifier (to 20 MHz). If desired, the amplifier can be modulated, considering that the gate 2 voltage of a MOSFET can be used to vary the gain of the stage.

## WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER

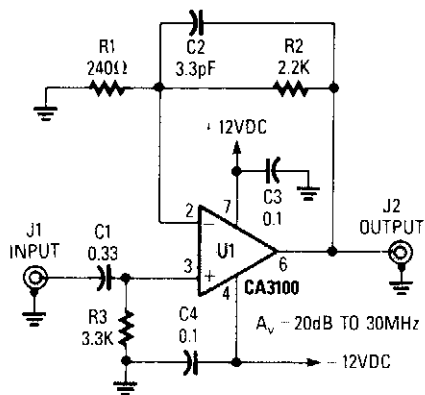


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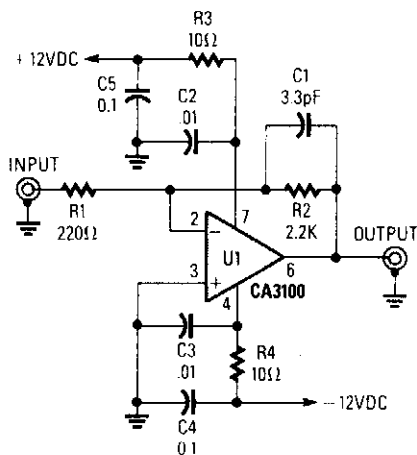
Fig. 76-17

This wideband amplifier uses a MAR1 IC, which is a gain block. The device is manufactured by Mini-Circuits Lab and offers +13-dB gain from dc to 1 000 MHz.  $R_1$  is selected to provide 17-mA current to U1 at +5 V. For 12-V supply  $R_1 = 470 \Omega$ . RFC1 is typically 1 to 5  $\mu\text{H}$ .

## TWO CA3100 WIDEBAND OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS



POPULAR ELECTRONICS **Fig. 76-18(a)**



**Fig. 76-18(b)**

These circuits use the RCA CA3100 wideband amplifier IC. The gain is:

$$A_v = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

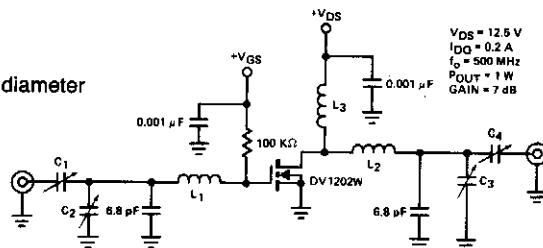
These circuits are useful for video applications to 10 MHz. The 3.3-pF capacitors are compensation capacitors. Capacitors on pins 7 and 4 are bypass capacitors to prevent self-oscillations. Figure 76-18(a) is noninverting and Fig. 76-18(b) is an inverting configuration.

## 500-MHz AMPLIFIER

C1, C2, C3, C4, ARCO #400, 1→7pF

L1, L2, 1/2" length #12 wire

L3, 4 turns #22 enameled wire close wound on 1/4" diameter

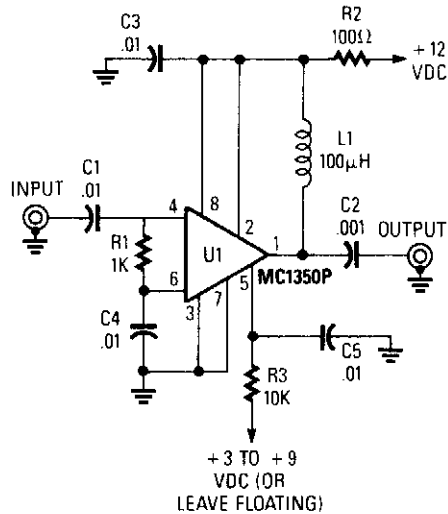


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**Fig. 76-19**

This amplifier provides 1-W output at 500 MHz with a DV1202W FET. About 6- to 8-dB power gain can be expected.

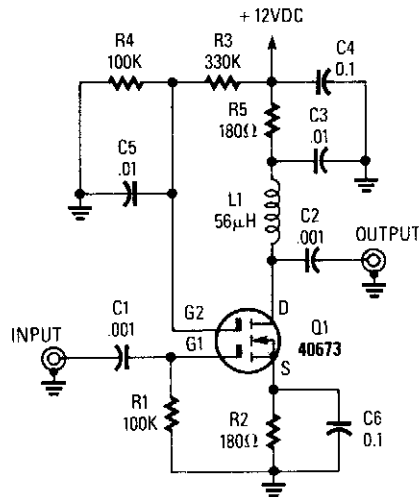
## HF WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS **Fig. 76-20**

About 20-dB gain can be obtained using this IC. The gain can be controlled by varying the voltage applied to R3.

## MOSFET WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER

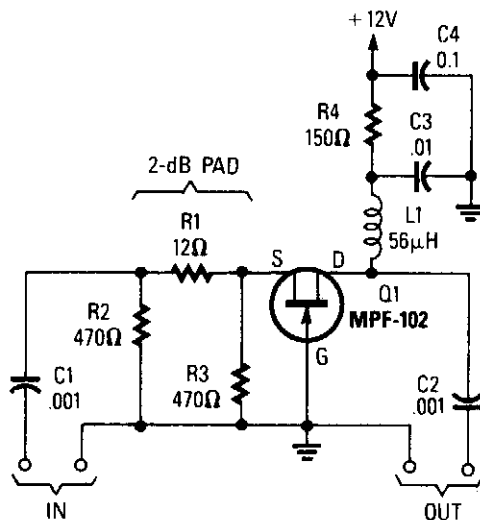


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**Fig. 76-21**

For high-impedance ( $7500\ \Omega$ ) applications, this amplifier will provide a voltage gain of approximately  $-gm/Z_L$  where  $Z_L$  is the load impedance in ohms and  $gm$  is  $\approx 12 \times 10^{-3}$  for the 40673 FET. The G2 voltage can be used to control the gain.

## JFET WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 76-22

Using an MPF102 JFET, this circuit has a 50-Ω input impedance. Load impedance should be about 470 Ω. A 3:1 matching transformer can be used to get the impedance back to 50 Ω. This circuit will show about 6- to 8-dB gain at VHF frequencies.

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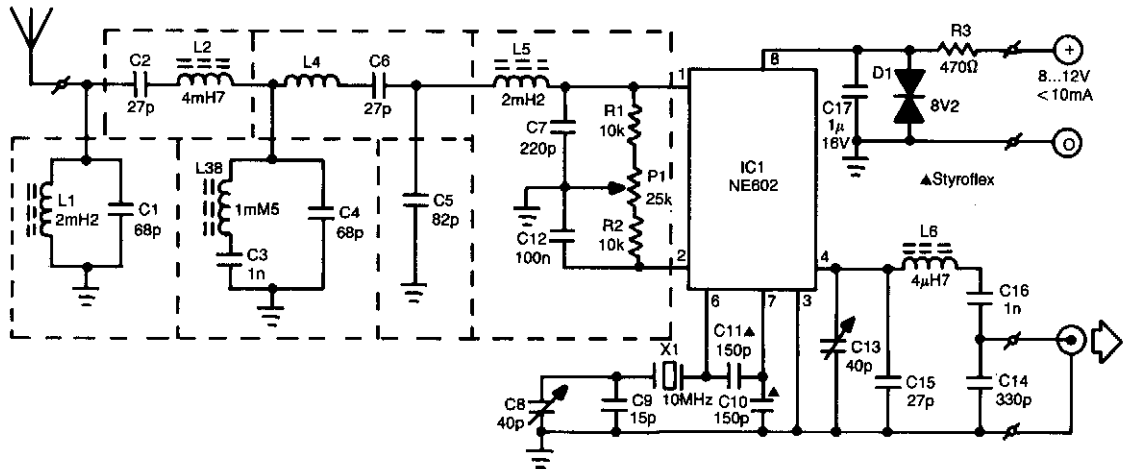
## RF Converters

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 677. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Radio Beacon  
Low-Noise 420-MHz ATV Receiver/Converter  
VLF Converter  
2-Meter Converter  
Receiver Frequency-Converter Stage  
10-MHz WWV to 80-Meter SW Converter  
Shortwave Converter for AM Car Radios  
220-MHz Receiving Converter  
RF Upconverter For TVRO Subcarrier Reception

## RADIO BEACON CONVERTER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 77-1

The radio beacon band extends from 280 to 516 kHz. Each beacon has its own characteristic AM-modulated morse-coded callsign that is transmitted on a specific frequency. To be able to receive distant beacons, the aerial signal is passed through a band-pass filter that effectively suppresses longwave and mediumwave signals. The filter also converts the aerial impedance,  $Z_{in}$ , from about 10 k $\Omega$  to the input impedance of mixer IC1, which is about 1 k $\Omega$ .

The mixer adds or subtracts the received signal to/from the local oscillator signal so that the beacon signal can be received on a normal shortwave receiver. The resulting frequencies are from 9.72 to 9.48 MHz or from 10.280 to 10.516 MHz. In the construction of the converter, some components must be surrounded by a metal shield, as indicated by dashed lines on the PC board layout.

The circuit is aligned with the aid of an SSB receiver, to which the output of the converter is connected. Tune the receiver to 10 MHz and adjust the oscillator frequency of the converter with C8 for zero beat. Next, detune the receiver slightly until you hear a pleasant whistle, which is adjusted for minimum level with the aid of P1. Finally, tune to a beacon transmitting at or about 300 kHz and adjust C13 for maximum sound output.

# LOW-NOISE 420-MHz ATV RECEIVER/CONVERTER

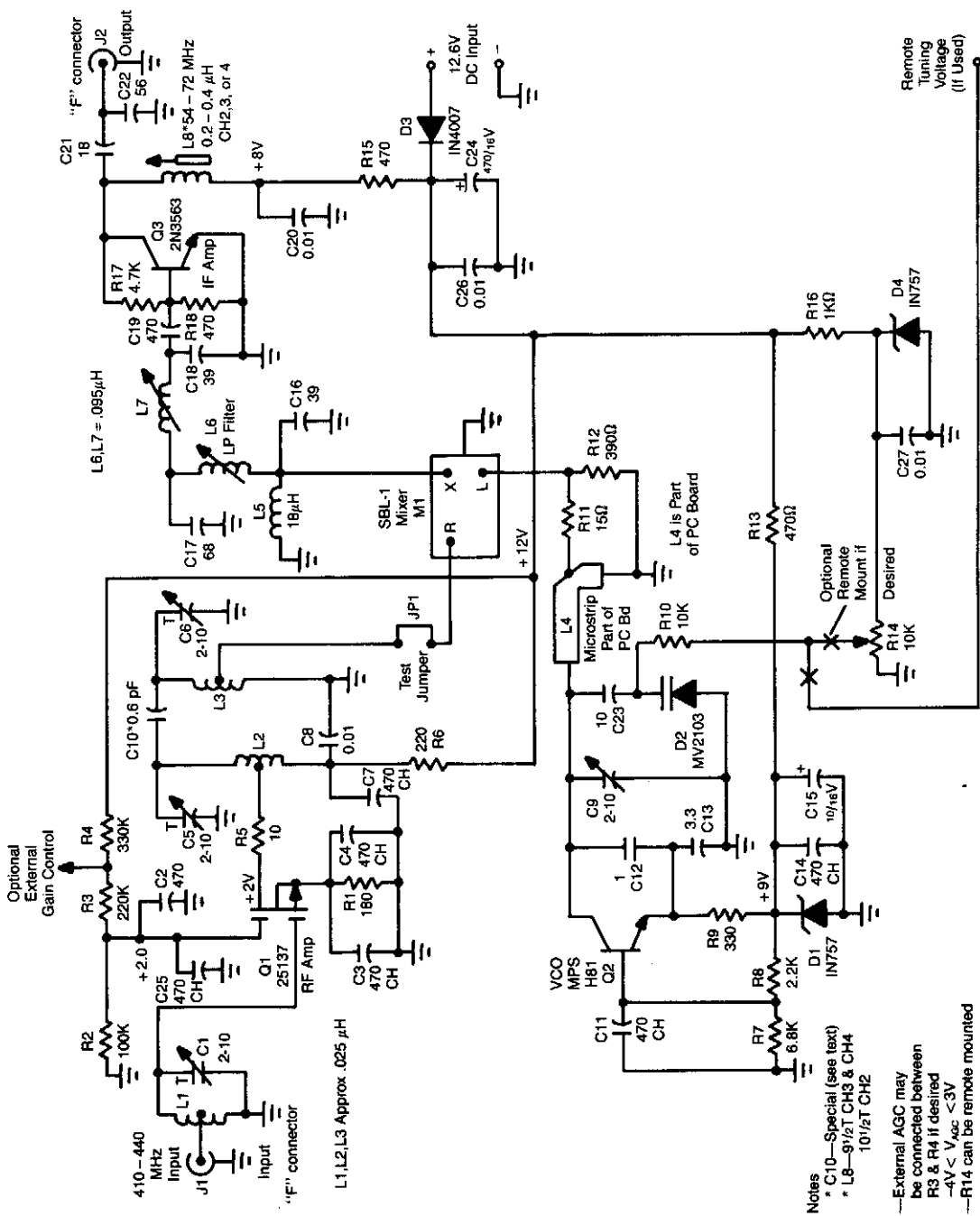


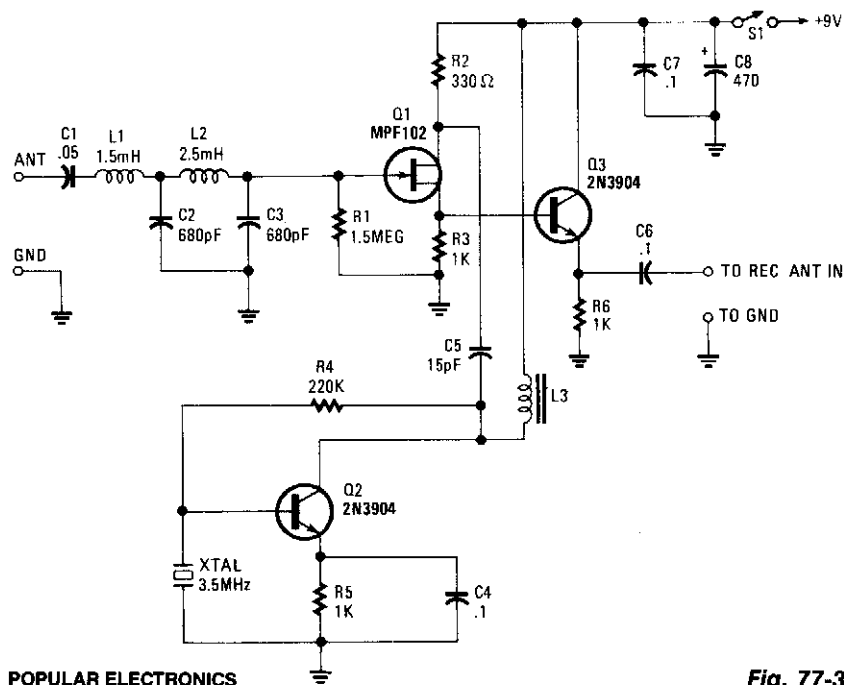
Fig. 77-2

NORTH COUNTRY RADIO

## LOW-NOISE 420-MHz ATV RECEIVER/CONVERTER (Cont.)

L1, Q1, L2, and L3 compose an RF amplifier stage that feeds M1, a doubly balanced mixer. Q4 is a local oscillator stage in the 375-MHz range. Signals in the 420- to 450-MHz range from Q1 are mixed in M1 and fed through filter L6/L7/C17, where only the 60- to 70-MHz (CH3/CH4) signals pass. The IF signal is passed to Q3, an IF amplifier. The overall gain is 25 dB and the noise figure less than 2 dB. A kit of all parts, including the PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804.

## VLF CONVERTER



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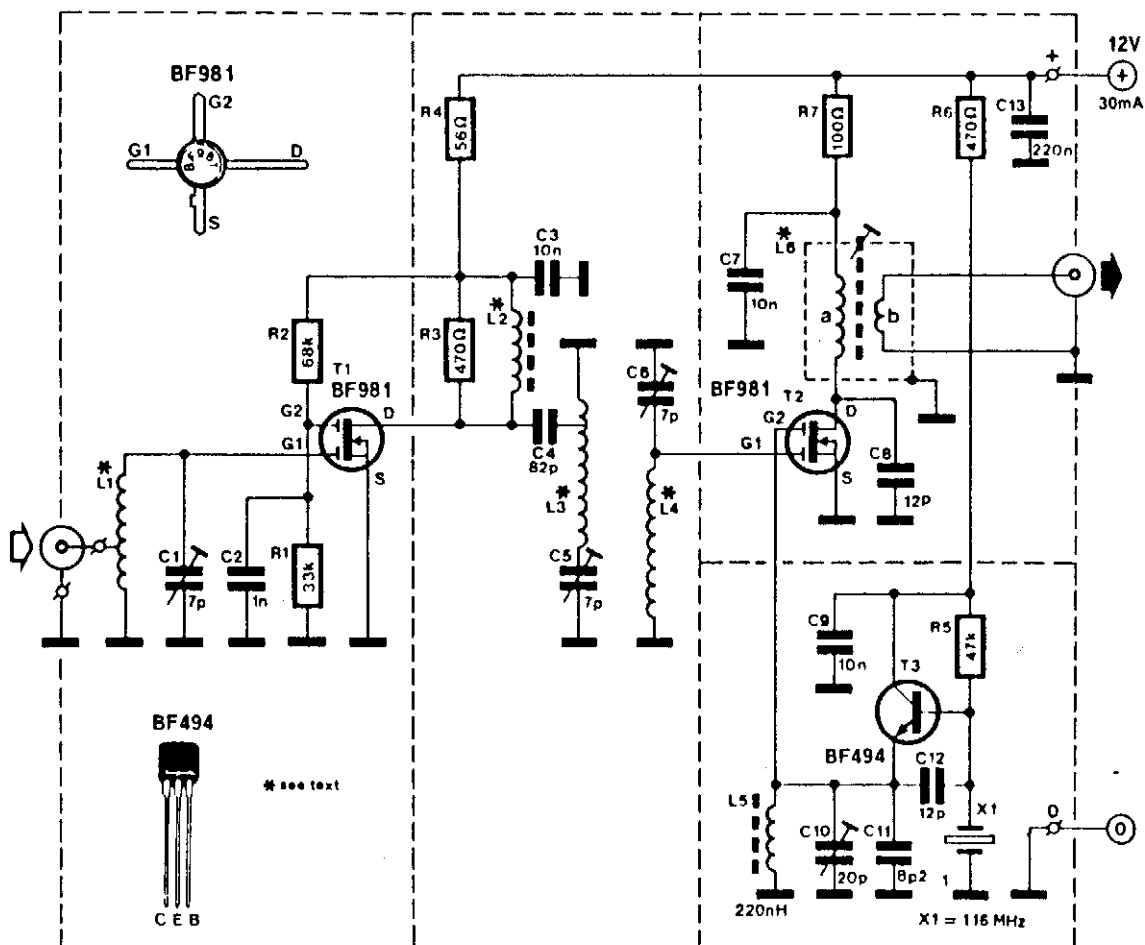
Fig. 77-3

The VLF Converter can be used to pick up signals for the general coverage of shortwave receivers. A number of unusual signals can be heard on frequencies below 15 kHz.

This converter will convert frequencies from 0 to 250 kHz to 3 500 to 3 750 kHz so that the LF- and VLF-band segments can be received on an amateur or shortwave receiver that covers 3 500 to 4 000 kHz. Signals from a short whip antenna (8 to 10 feet) are coupled through low-pass filter L1/L2/C2/C3 to RF amp Q1. Q3 mixes these signals with a 3.5-MHz signal from Q2 and associated components C4, R5, R4, and 3.5-MHz XTAL. L3 is an RF choke that presents an inductive load to Q3. It should be resonant somewhat above 3.5 MHz when placed in the circuit. An adjustable coil of about 30 to 100  $\mu$ H should be sufficient. The converter output is taken from the emitter of Q3 through C6.



## 2-METER CONVERTER

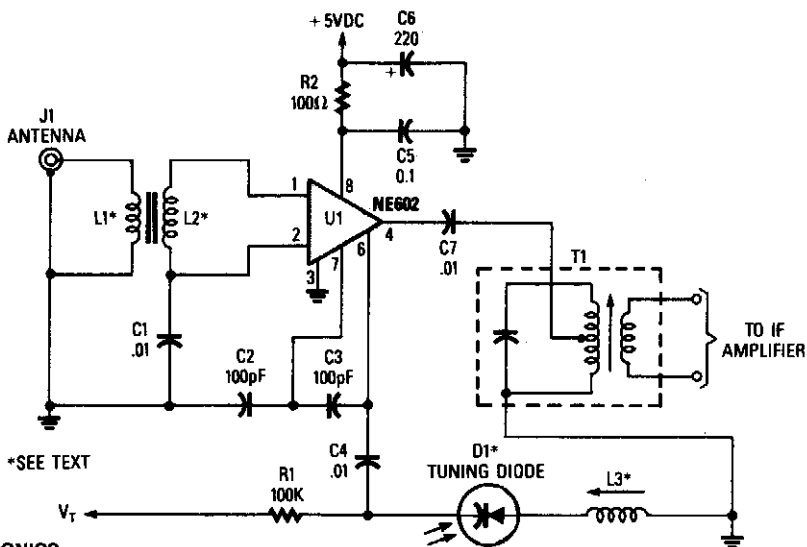


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 77-4

This converter enables a receiver that tunes 28 to 32 MHz to receive the 144- to 148-MHz amateur band. A BF981 dual-gate MOSFET provides RF gain and feeds mixer T2, another BF981. T3 is a 116-MHz crystal oscillator used to provide L.O. injection to T2. Coils are wound on a 6-mm form. L1, L3, and L4 are 8 turns of 1-mm diameter silver-plated copper wire. L2 is 4 turns of 0.2-mm wire through a ferrite lead. L6 has 19 turns on the primary and 3 turns on the secondary.

## RECEIVER FREQUENCY-CONVERTER STAGE



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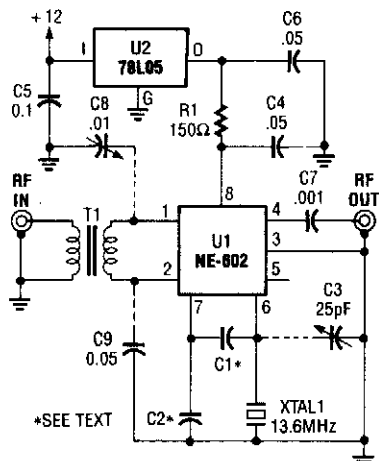
Fig. 77-5

L1, L2 1:12 Turns Ratio Toroid (Broadband).

L3 Resonates to L.O. Frequency with D1 capacitance.

LO FREQ Desired received frequency  $\pm$  IF frequency.

In this case, the NE602 is used in this superhet front-end configuration. U1 serves as a frequency converter. L1/L2 is a broadband toroidal transformer. A tuned transformer may be used instead. The supply voltage is +5 to +9 Vdc. T1 is tuned to the IF frequency. The typical IF frequency is 455 kHz. This circuit, depending on L1, L2, and L3, should be usable in the frequency range from audio to 30 MHz. The varactor tuning diode can be replaced with an air-variable capacitor, if desired.



## 10-MHz WWV TO 80-METER SW CONVERTER

This converter is useful where reception of WWV is desirable and only a ham-band receiver is available. U1 acts as a mixer/oscillator. The values of C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> are given by:

$$C_1 = \frac{100 \text{ pF}}{\sqrt{f_{\text{MHz}}}}$$

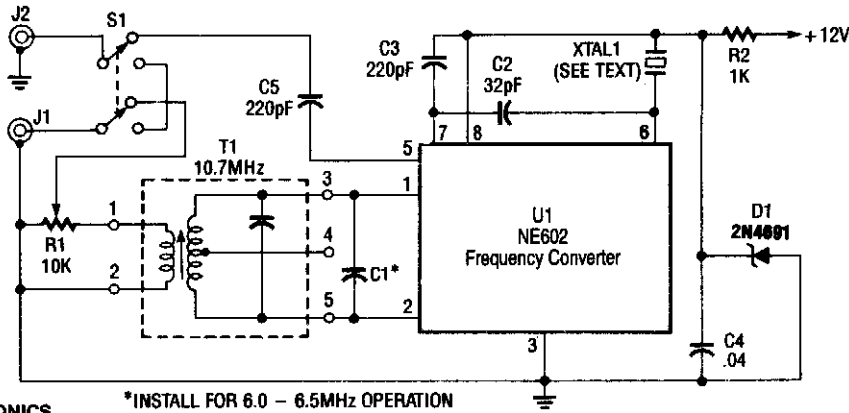
$$C_2 = 10 \times C_1$$

$f_{\text{MHz}}$  = crystal frequency

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Fig. 77-6

## SHORTWAVE CONVERTER FOR AM CAR RADIOS

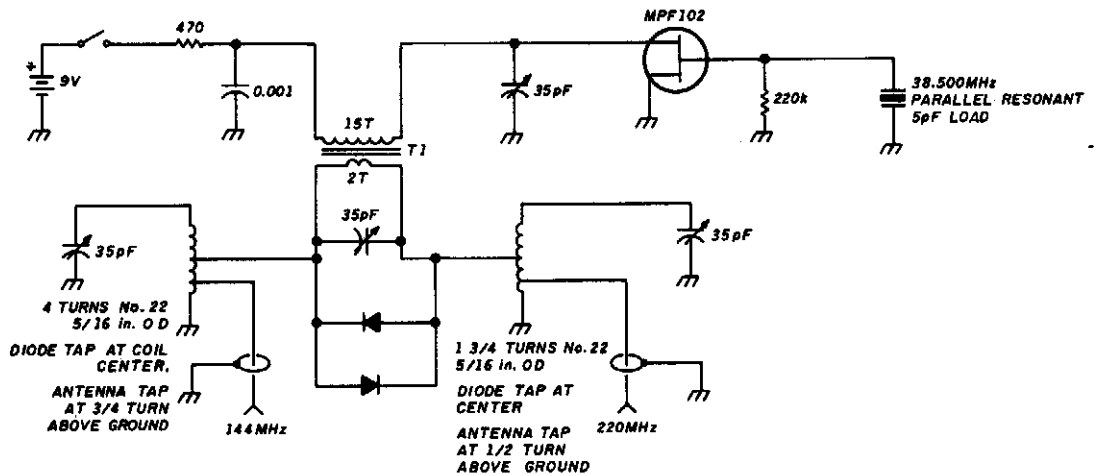


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 77-7

Using a Signetics NE602, this converter tunes the 9.5- to 9.8-MHz range. An AM car radio is used as a tunable IF amplifier. Output is taken from J2, the auto antenna. The crystal (XTAL1) can be a frequency about 1 MHz below the desired tuning range; for 9.5 to 9.8 MHz, an 8.5- to 8.8-MHz crystal should be used.

## 220-MHz RECEIVING CONVERTER

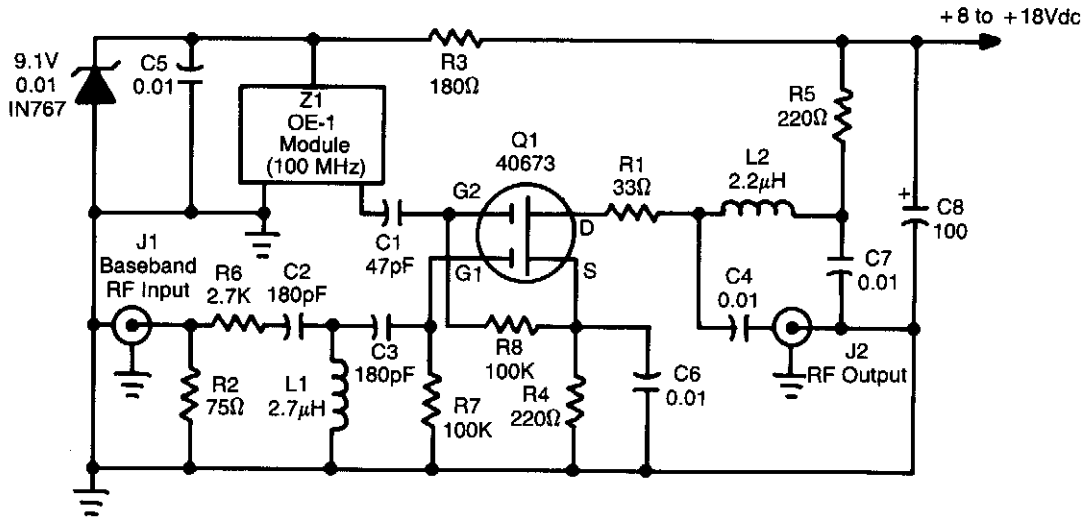


HAM RADIO

Fig. 77-8

A simple circuit using a single transistor converts 220 MHz to 144 MHz or vice versa, because the mixer is bilateral. T1 has 15 turns on the primary, and 2 turns on the secondary (#24 AWG wire) on a 0.375" ID SF-material toroidal coil.

## RF UPCONVERTER FOR TVRO SUBCARRIER RECEPTION



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 77-9

This converter uses a 40673 MOSFET to heterodyne the 5.5- to 8-MHz TVRO subcarriers to the FM broadcast band, where a stereo receiver can be used for high-fidelity stereo reception of TV sound subcarriers. Z1 is a prepackaged 100-MHz oscillator module, which is available from International Crystal Corporation, Oklahoma City, OK.

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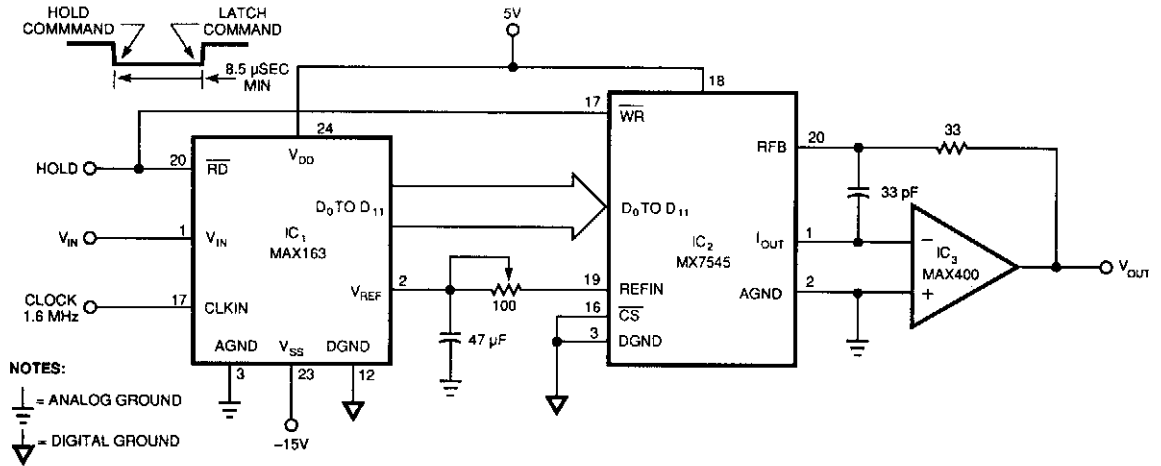
## Sample-and-Hold Circuit

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Sample and Hold

## SAMPLE AND HOLD



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Fig. 78-1

By using the ADC and DAC, this circuit uses a negative pulse to latch data into the ADC. The hold pulse width should be at least 8.5  $\mu s$ . This circuit has zero drop and infinite hold time.

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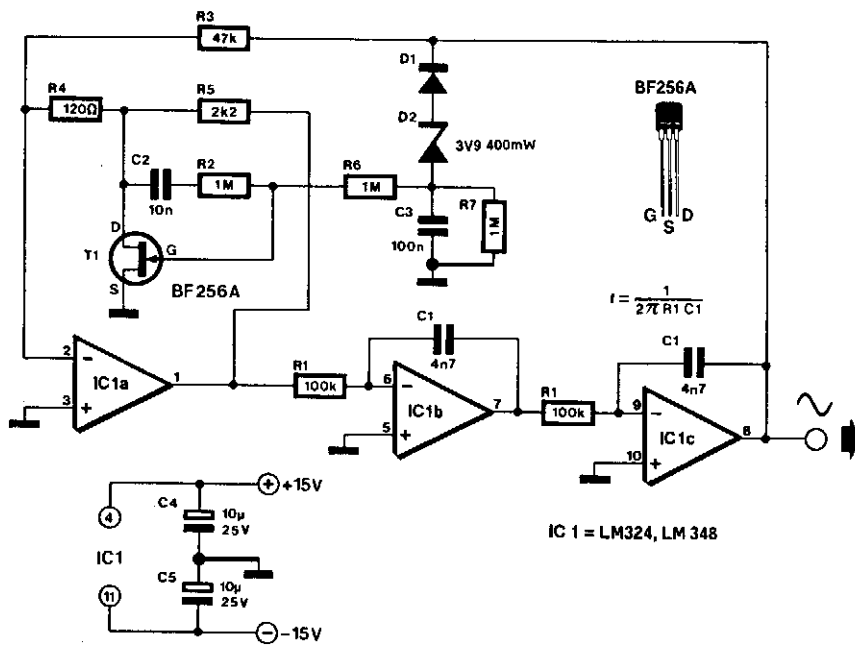
## Sine-Wave Oscillators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 677. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                                     |   |
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| Sine-Wave Generator                 | Three-Decade 15-Hz to 15-kHz Wien-Bridge Oscillator   |
| Pure Sine-Wave Generator            | Phase-Shift Oscillator for Audio Range                |
| LC Sine-Wave Generator              | Wien-Bridge Oscillator                                |
| 60-Hz Sine-Wave Generator           | Low-Frequency Sine-Wave Generator                     |
| Two-Transistor Sine-Wave Oscillator | Sine- and Square-Wave TTL Oscillator                  |
| VLF Audio Tone Generator            | Wien-Bridge-Based Oscillator with Very Low Distortion |
| Very Low Distortion Oscillator      |   |
| Low-Frequency LC Oscillator         |   |

## SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-1

The frequency of the generator is determined by integrators IC1B and IC1C. An integrator has two properties that are used in this design. Firstly, a phase shift of  $90^\circ$  is between the input and output (ignoring, for the moment, the nonideal behavior of the op amp), and secondly, its amplification is  $-1$  (i.e., the signal inverts), provided the frequency:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi R_1 C_1}$$

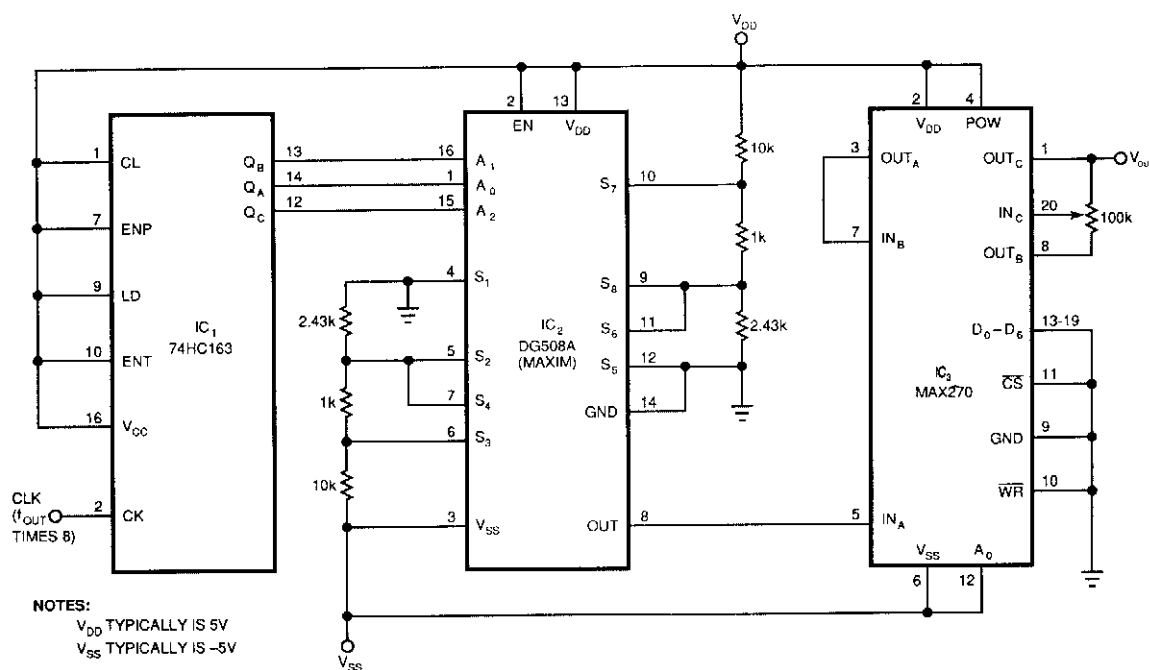
Cascading two identical integrators will thus result in an overall phase shift of  $180^\circ$  and an amplification of unity (provided that the frequency is  $1/2\pi R_1 C_1$ ): an ideal basis for an oscillator. The two integrators are connected in the feedback circuit of an amplifier whose gain is determined by the amplitude of the output signal. Consequently, the generator has reasonably stable output voltage (at a level of about 4.5 Vpp).

With the values of  $C_1$  ( $C_1'$ ) and  $R_1$  ( $R_1'$ ), as shown in the diagram, the output has a frequency of about 300 Hz. The frequency can be varied by replacing  $R_1$  and  $R_1'$  with a stereo potentiometer. To keep the frequency setting within bounds, the overall range of this potentiometer should not exceed a decade.

The maximum attainable frequency is about 5 kHz. Distortion is not greater than 0.1%. The current drawn by the generator is only a few milliamperes. Finally, the LM348 is a quadruple 741; it is thus possible to construct the generator from four 741s.



## PURE SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



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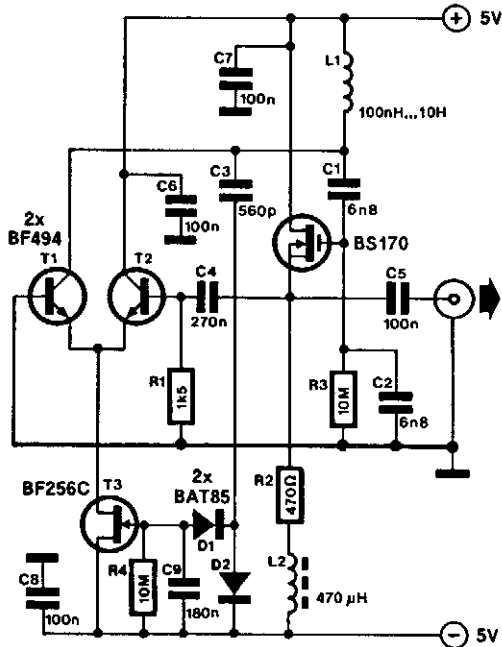
Fig. 79-2

This circuit produces a pure,  $-80$ -dB THD sine wave with a frequency that is equal to the  $f_c$  of IC3's filter. A TTL counter, an 8-channel analog multiplexer, and a fourth-order low-pass filter can generate 1- to 25-kHz sine waves with a THD of better than  $-80$  dB. The circuit cascades the two second-order, continuous-time Sallen-Key filters within IC3 to implement the fourth-order low-pass filter. Two resistive dividers connected from ground to  $V_{DD}$  and ground to  $V_{SS}$  provide bipolar dc inputs to the multiplexer.

To operate the circuit, you first must choose the filter's cutoff frequency,  $f_c$ , by tying IC3's  $D_0$  through  $D_6$  inputs to 5 V or ground. The cutoff frequency can be at 128 possible levels between 1 and 25 kHz, depending on those 7 digital input levels. Because this figure ties  $D_0$  through  $D_6$  to ground,  $f_c$  equals 1 kHz. The 100-kHz potentiometer adjusts the output level anywhere from 1.5 V below  $V_{DD}$  to 1.5 V above  $V_{SS}$ .

The clock input frequency must be 8 times higher than the filter's  $f_c$ . The multiplexer then produces an  $8\times$  oversampled staircase approximation of a sine wave.  $8\times$  oversampling greatly simplifies the smoothing requirements of the low-pass filter by pushing the first significant harmonic out to  $7\times$  the fundamental. All higher-order harmonics are removed by IC3, which includes an uncommitted amplifier for setting the output level.

## LC SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-3

This compact LC oscillator offers a frequency range of about 1 kHz to almost 9 MHz and a low-distortion sine-wave output. The heart of the circuit is series-resonant circuit L1/C2/C3 in the feedback loop of amplifiers T1/T2. Transistor T2, which is connected as an emitter follower, serves as impedance converter, whereas T1, connected to a common base circuit, is a voltage amplifier whose

amplification is determined by the impedance of L1 in its collector circuit and the emitter current.

The feedback loop runs from the collector of T1 via the junction of capacitive divider C1/C2, source-follower BS170, and the input impedance is formed by R1/C4. The whole is strongly reminiscent of a Colpitts circuit. The signal is also taken to the output terminal via C5.

Of particular interest is the amplitude control by the current source. The signal is rectified by two Schottky diodes, smoothed by C9, then used to control the current through T3. The gain of amplifier T1 is therefore higher at low input levels than at higher ones. This arrangement ensures very low distortion, because the amplifier cannot be over-driven.

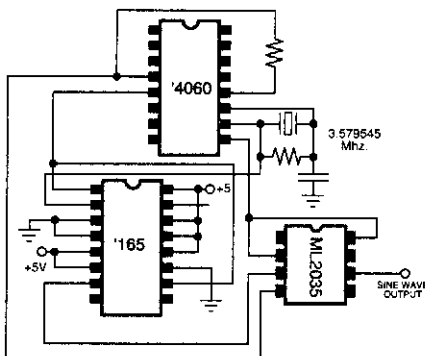
The resonant frequency can be calculated from:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{L_1 C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}}$$

With values as shown, it extends from 863 Hz ( $L_1 = 10$  H) to 8.630 MHz ( $L_1 = 100$  H).

The unit can be used to measure the  $Q$  of inductors. To that end, a potentiometer is connected in parallel with L1 and adjusted so that the current through the amplifier is doubled. The  $Q$  is then calculated from:

$$Q = \frac{R_p}{2\pi f L}$$



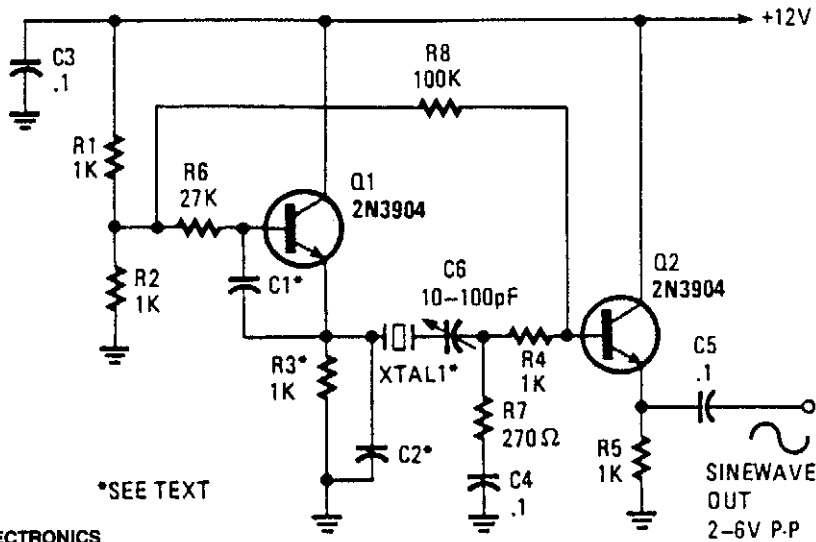
## 60-Hz SINE-WAVE GENERATOR

A chip by Micro Linear and two CMOS (40165 and 4060) chips generate sine waves at 60 Hz.

MICRO LINEAR

Fig. 79-4

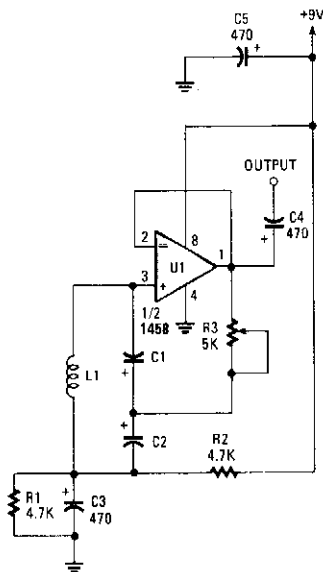
## TWO-TRANSISTOR SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-5

This oscillator uses two transistors and operates the crystal in the fundamental mode.  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  should be about 2 700 pF for 1 MHz, 680 pF for 5 MHz, and 330 pF for 10 MHz. 150 pF can be used for up to 20 MHz. The output is a near perfect sine wave. Try varying  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  for best waveform. About 2 to 6 Vpp is available.



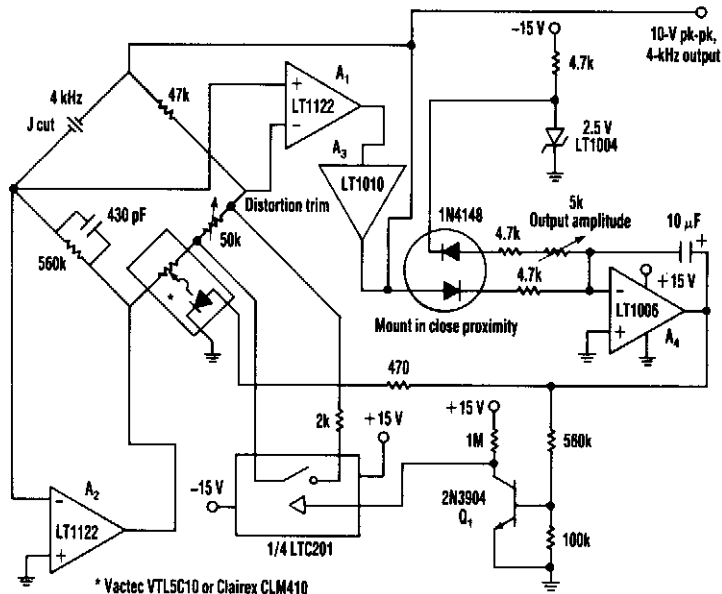
## VLF AUDIO TONE GENERATOR

Using an LC-tuned circuit, this oscillator can produce frequencies of less than 10 Hz.  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  can be as large as 1 000  $\mu$ F.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-6

## VERY LOW DISTORTION OSCILLATOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 79-7

This oscillator uses a bridge circuit with an optoisolator as a gain-control device. The resultant distortion can be held to 9 ppm (.0009%) with proper adjustment.

## LOW-FREQUENCY LC OSCILLATOR

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

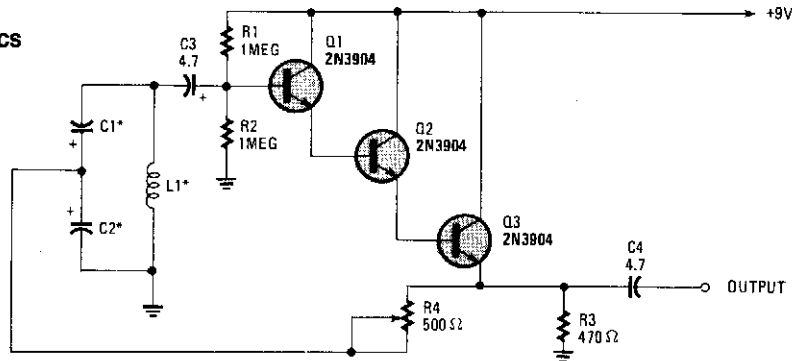


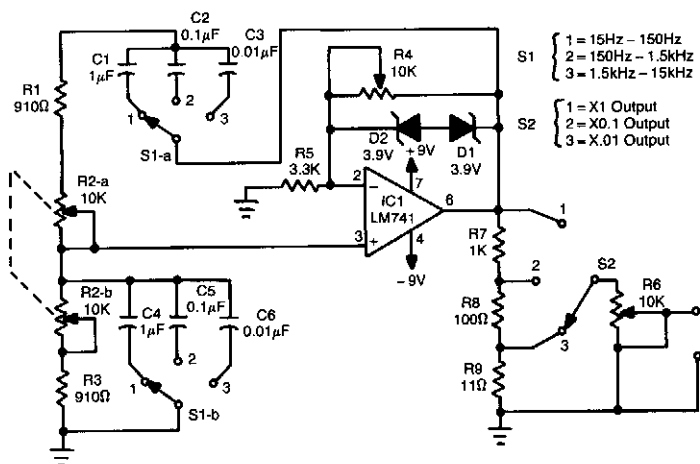
Fig. 79-8

Basically a Hartley oscillator using a triple-emitter follower, this oscillator can be used at audio and low radio frequencies. The frequency is given by:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_1 C_T}}, \text{ where } C_T = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

At 1 kHz, typically  $C$  would be  $4.7 \mu\text{F}$  tantalums, but this is only a guide as to convenient values to use.

### THREE-DECADE 15-Hz TO 15-kHz WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

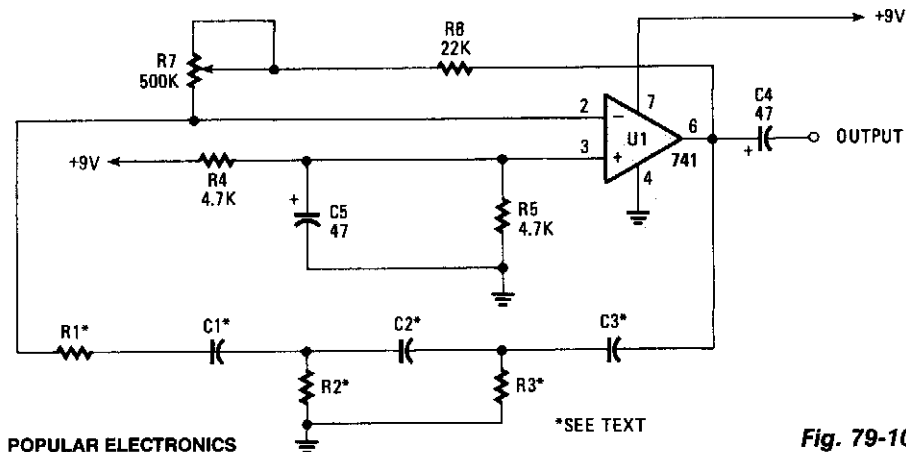


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-9

In this circuit, an LM741 op amp drives a Wien-bridge network using two zener diodes as an amplitude limiter. Range selection is done by switch selecting the capacitors (C1 through C6) and tuning is done via a ganged pot. The output is about 8 V<sub>pp</sub> max., depending on the setting of S2 and R6. R4 is set for maximum distortion consistent with stable output.

### PHASE-SHIFT OSCILLATOR FOR AUDIO RANGE



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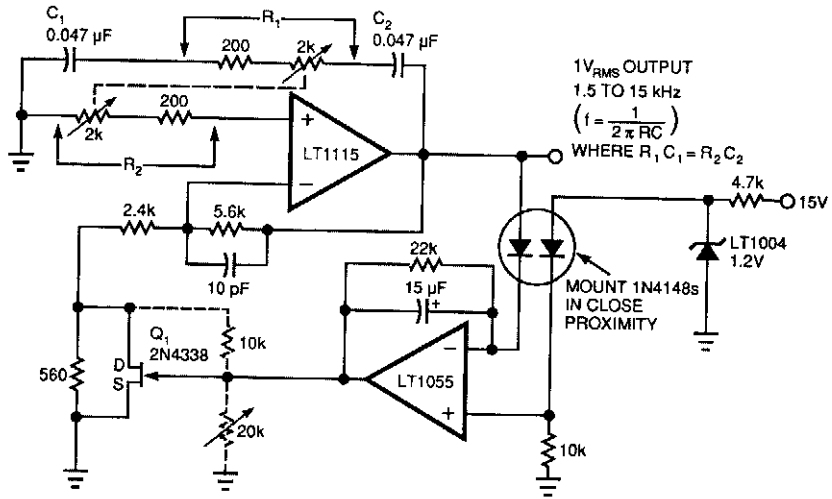
Fig. 79-10

This phase-shift oscillator is useful for audio oscillator applications. Adjust R7 for a good sine wave. An amplifier gain of 29 is required for oscillation. If  $C = C_1 = C_2 = C_3$  and  $R = R_1 = R_2 = R_3$ :

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{6RC}}$$

Typically,  $R$  will be 1 to 100 kΩ and  $C$  will be 0.1 μF down to 100 pF, in most practical circuits. As a start, choose  $R = 10$  kΩ and  $C = 0.0068$  μF (for ≈ 1-kHz range).

### WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

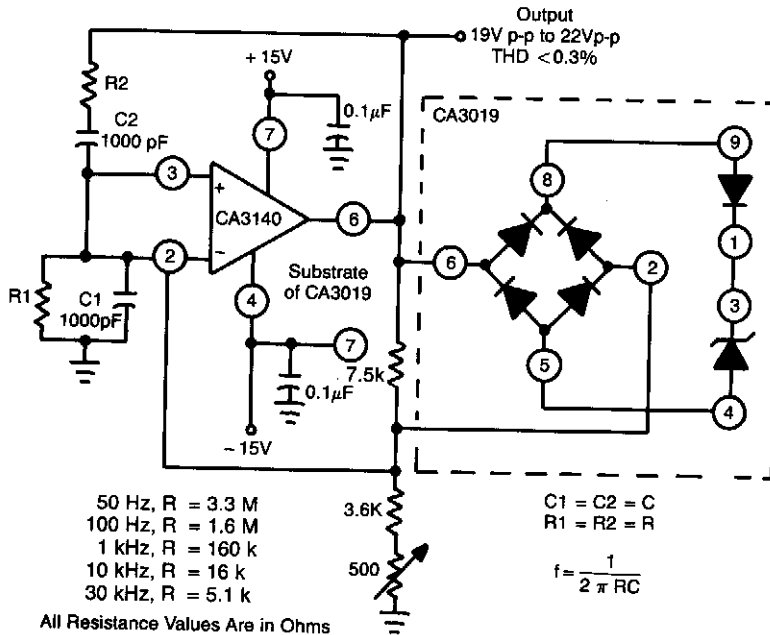


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Fig. 79-11

This complex oscillator circuit uses a photocell and common-mode-suppression circuitry to achieve distortion of 0.0003%.

### WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

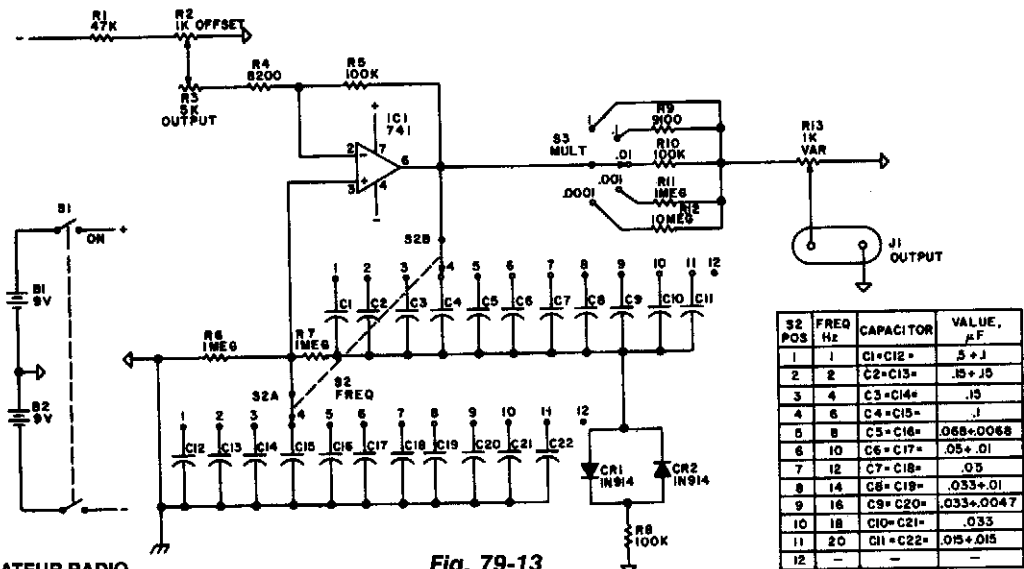


GE/RCA

Fig. 79-12

This circuit makes excellent use of high input impedance, high slew rate, and high-voltage qualities of CA3140 BiMOS op amp, in combination with CA3019 diode array.

## LOW-FREQUENCY SINE-WAVE GENERATOR

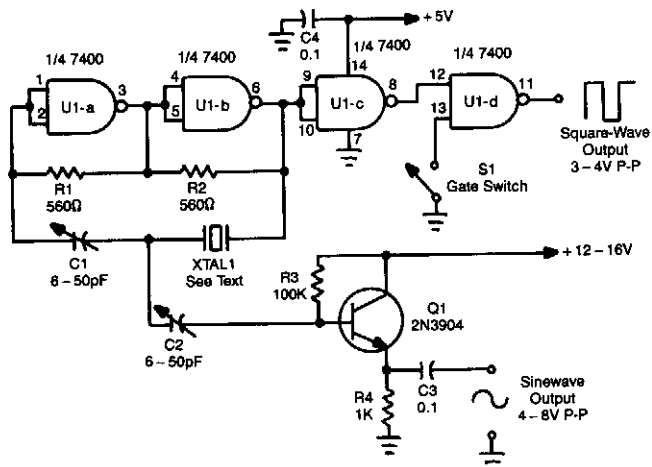


73 AMATEUR RADIO

Fig. 79-13

Using a Wien-bridge oscillator, this circuit generates switch-selected frequencies from 1 to 20 Hz. A 741 op amp is used as the active element.

## SINE- AND SQUARE-WAVE TTL OSCILLATOR

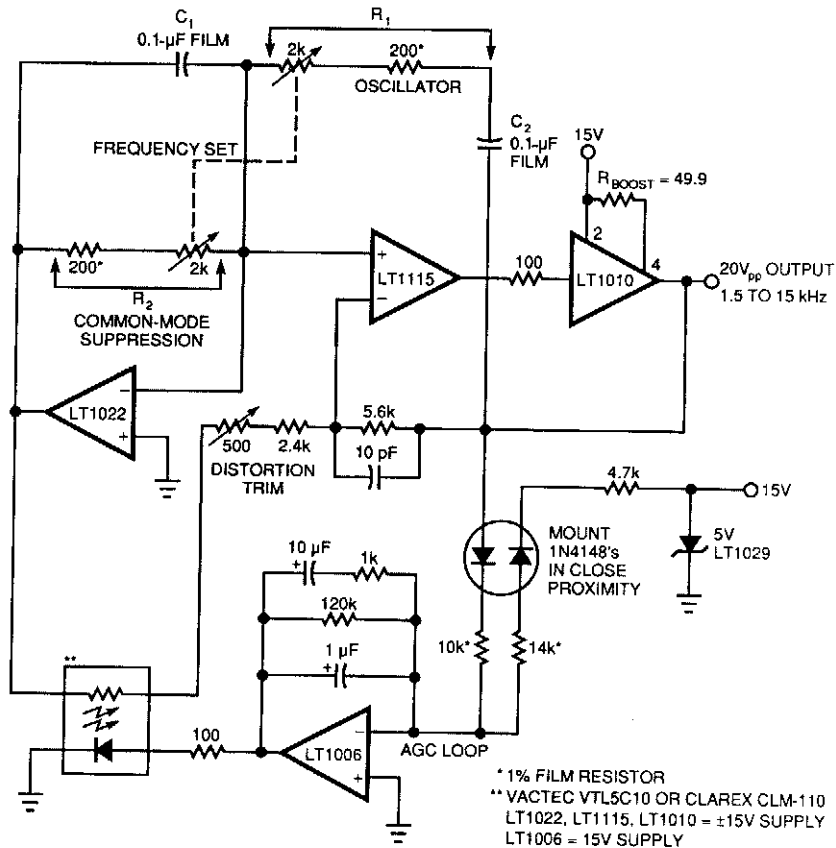


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 79-14

Using a Quad NAND Gate, the TTL oscillator can use fundamental crystals between 1 and 10 MHz. The sine-wave output is taken directly from the crystal, which acts as its own filter, and yields a fairly clean sine wave. Adjust C1 and C2 for the best sine wave and also to set the crystal frequency. TTL square wave can be taken from U1D. The gate switch can be replaced with a logic gate to electronically control the output.

## WIEN-BRIDGE-BASED OSCILLATOR WITH VERY LOW DISTORTION



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Fig. 79-15

This complex oscillator circuit uses a photocell and common-mode-suppression circuitry to achieve distortion of 0.0003%. This oscillator circuit replaces the lamp in the traditional Wien bridge with an electronic equivalent.



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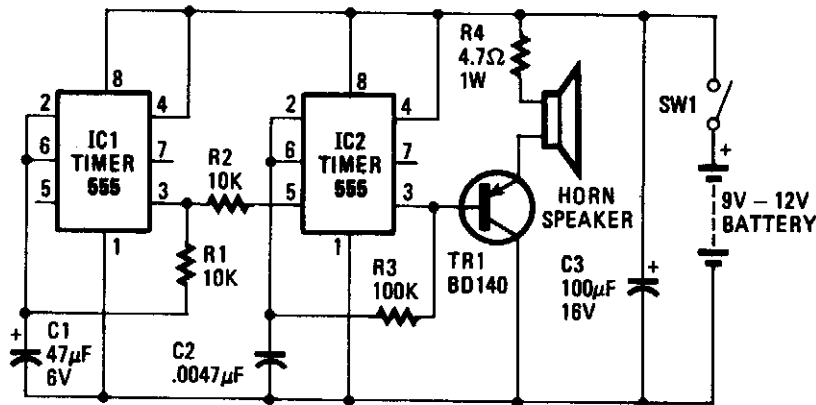
## Sirens, Warblers, Wailers, and Whoopers

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 677. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

‘Hee-Haw’ Electronic Siren  
Alternate Warble-Tone Siren  
6-W Warble-Tone Siren  
Low-Cost Siren  
Whooper  
Electronic Siren

## “HEE-HAW” ELECTRONIC SIREN



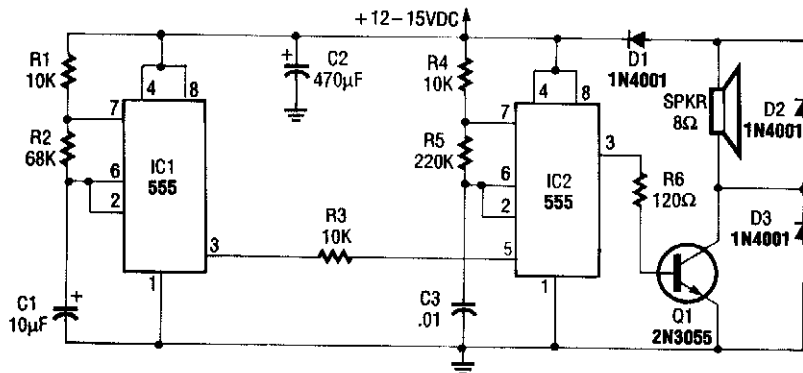
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-1

The oscillator based on IC2 is responsible for producing the sound. Its output is connected to the base of TR1, which amplifies it to drive the speaker. Resistor R4 is included in the circuit to limit the current through TR1 to a safe and reasonable level. The oscillation frequency of IC2 is partially dependent on the values of  $R_3$  and  $C_2$ . Another factor that governs the frequency of oscillation is the magnitude of voltage fed to pin 5 of IC2. If a voltage of varying magnitude is fed to pin 5, the internal circuitry of the IC is forced to reset at a different rate, which changes the frequency.

IC1 is also connected as an oscillator, but it runs much slower than IC2: around 1 Hz. Each time the IC triggers, the voltage at pin 3 goes high. As pin 3 is connected to pin 5 of IC2, this forces IC2 to change its note. That produces the “hee-haw” sound of the siren.

## ALTERNATE WARBLE-TONE SIREN

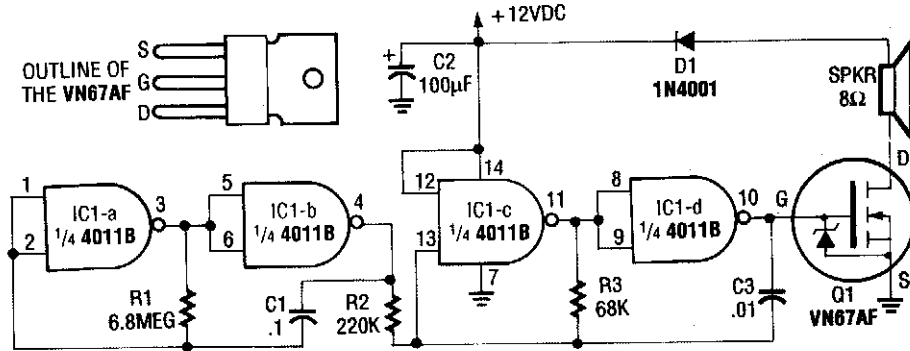


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-2

This circuit uses two NE555 timers to generate a warble tone. IC1 frequency shifts IC2 by feeding a square wave to pin 5, the modulation input of IC2. IC1 runs at about 1 Hz.

## 6-W WARBLE-TONE SIREN

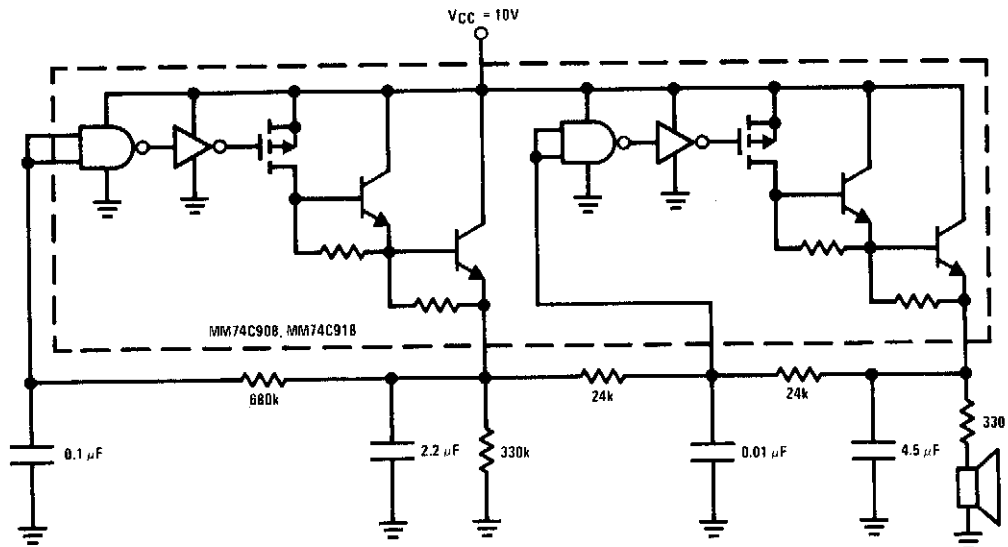


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-3

This circuit uses a CMOS chip and a VMOS FET amplifier for 6 W of audio output. 18 W of audio can be generated using a +24-Vdc supply. IC1A and IC1B are used as a 1-Hz oscillator. IC1C and IC1D form a 1-kHz multivibrator that is gated by the 1-Hz signal from IC1A and IC1B.

## LOW-COST SIREN

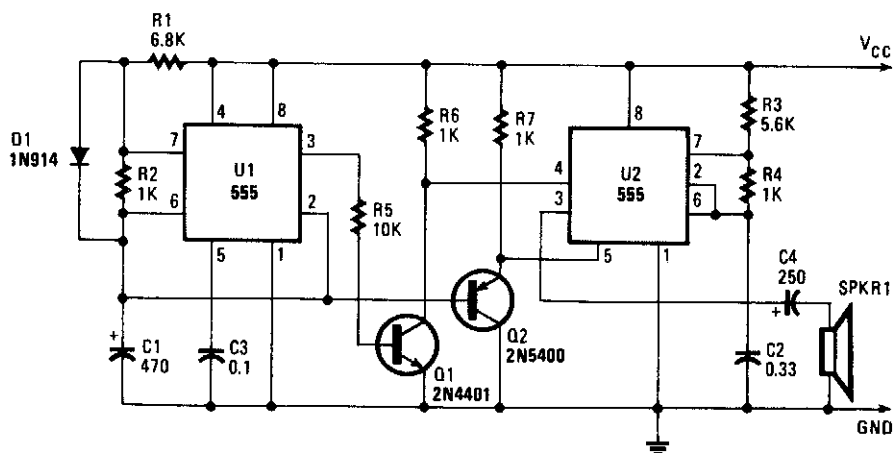


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 80-4

This low-cost 1-package siren has one VCO, and the other oscillator generates the voltage ramp to vary the frequency at the VCO output. All components within the dotted line are part of the IC.

## WHOOOPER



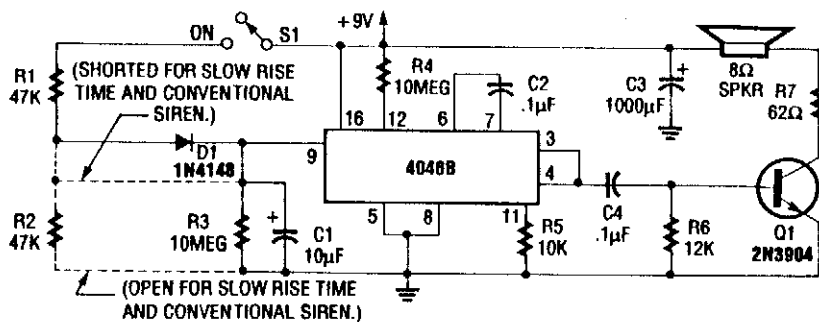
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-5

Integrated circuit U1 is connected as a low-frequency asymmetrical oscillator. Its output is inverted by Q1 and fed to the reset terminal of U2 at pin 5. Integrated circuit U2 is configured as an audio oscillator and is enabled when the output of U1 is low. With the voltage at pin 5 of U2 constant, the circuit just "bleeps."

The voltage across capacitor C1 is fed to the base of Q2, which turns it on and grounds pin 5 of U2. When the frequency of the reset signal on pin 4 falls, the output frequency of U2 rises. The output then becomes a whoop, starting low in frequency and ending high. Resistor R1 sets the repetition rate and R2 determines the time duration of the whoop. Resistors R3 and R4 set the center-operating frequency.

## ELECTRONIC SIREN



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 80-6

For normal wailing tone, short D1 and open R2. For fast rise and slow fall in frequency, include D1 and R2. Use of a CD4046B with a diode-RC network as shown produces a siren tone, using a VCO.

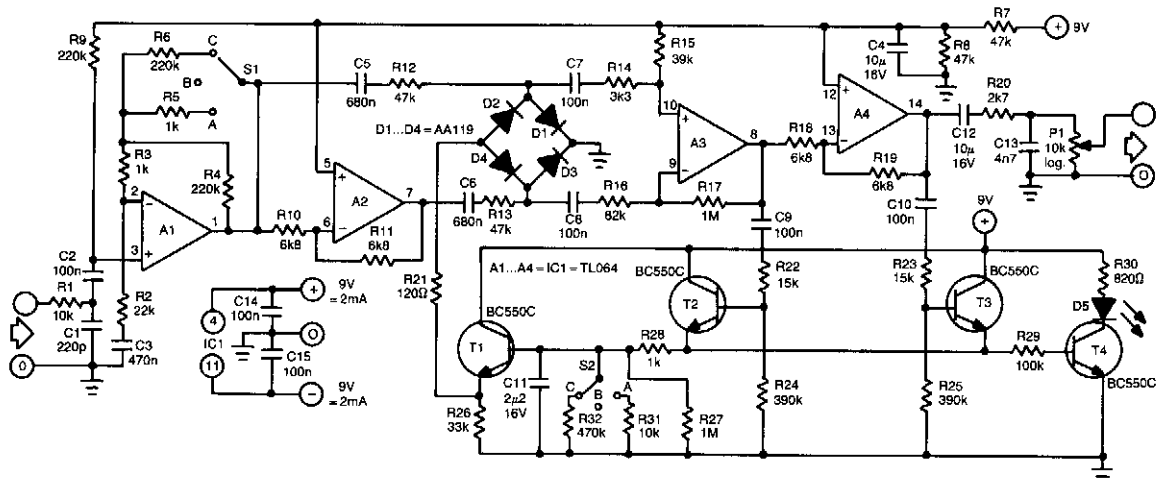
# 81

## Sound Effects

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 677. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Guitar Compressor  
Single-Chip Melody Generator  
Electronic Bagpipe  
Electronic Music Maker  
Musical Doorbell  
Octave Shifter for Musical Effects  
Phasor Sound Generator  
Single-Chip Chime



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Fig. 81-1

The control of this compressor is based on the dependence of the dynamic resistance of a diode on the current flowing through it. The heart of the present circuit is the diode bridge (D1 through D4), which behaves as a variable resistance controlled by the current flowing in T1.

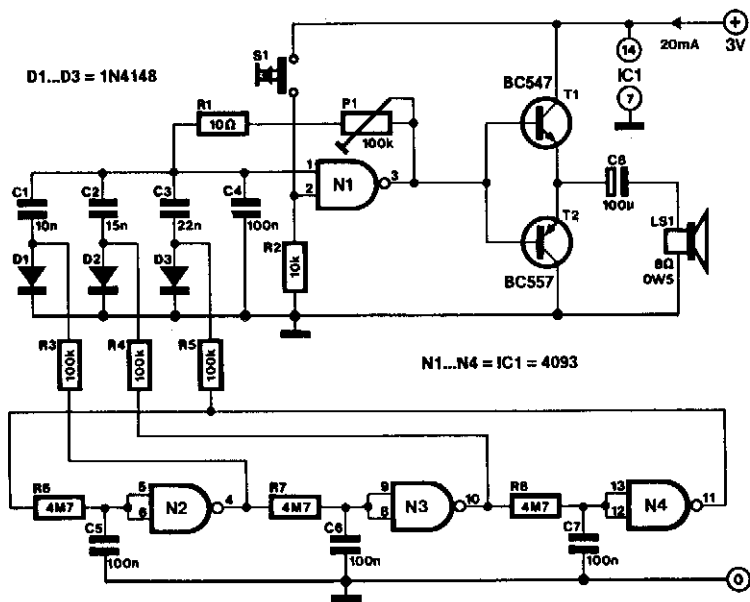
The input signal is applied to preamplifier stage A1 via low-pass filter R1/C1 that removes any HF noise from the input.

Switch S1 in the feedback loop of A1 sets the amplification to 1 (position A), 6 (C) or 11 (B). The amplified signal is applied directly to the diode bridge via R12 and C5, and inverted via inverter A2, capacitor C6 and resistor R13.

The two signals are summed by the bridge, amplified (in A3), then split again into two, one of which is inverted by A4. The positive half cycles of the two signals are used to switch on T2 and T3, respectively. Capacitor C11 is then charged via R12. When the potential across this capacitor reaches a certain level, T1 is also switched on, after which a control current flows through the bridge via R21. This current lowers the resistance of the bridge so that the signal is attenuated (compressed). At the same time, the LED lights to indicate that the signal is being compressed. Capacitor C12 prevents any dc voltage from reaching the output.

The output signal is taken from the wiper of P1. Low-pass section R20/C13 limits its bandwidth to 12 kHz. Switch S2 enables the selection of various decay times from C11. The values shown in the diagram are the most useful. Nevertheless, these values are subjective and can be altered to personal taste and requirements.

## SINGLE-CHIP MELODY GENERATOR



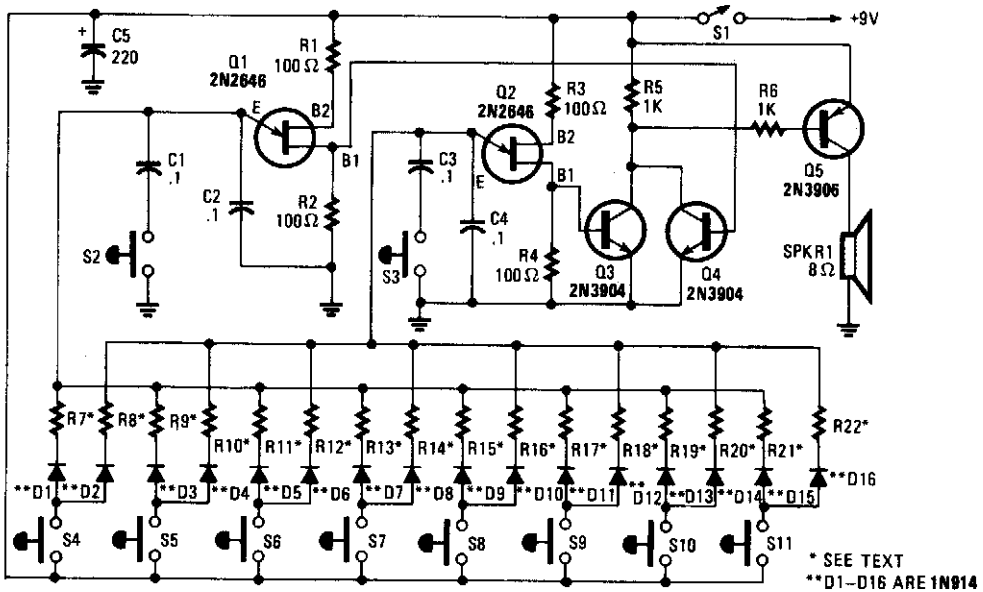
ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 81-2

This melody generator, based on a 4093 CMOS Schmitt trigger, can be used in alarms, doorbells, and cars (audible reverse gear or lights-on indicator).

Three of the four NAND gates in the 4093 are connected in series by RC networks. Oscillation is affected by feedback of the output signal of N4 to the input of N2. The logic-high levels produced by the cascaded gates in the oscillator circuit are used to bias one of associated diodes D1, D2, or D3). The relevant diode connects one of the frequency-determining capacitors (C1 through C3) to tone oscillator N1. The audio signal available when S1 is pressed is applied to complementary transistor pair (T1/T2) that drives the loudspeaker. The frequency of the emitted tone can be adjusted to individual taste with preset P1.

## ELECTRONIC BAGPIPE

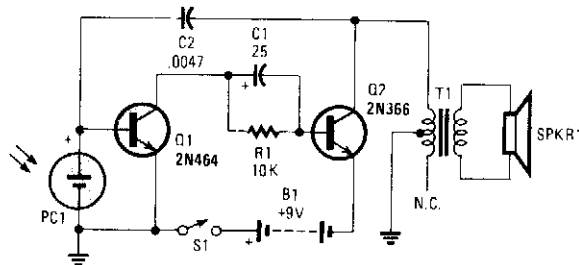


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**Fig. 81-3**

The electronic bagpipe mimics the sound of real instruments. This circuit uses two UJT oscillators and an amplifier (Q3, Q4, and Q5). R7 through R22 are selected for tonal range desired (typically 3 300  $\Omega$ ). Each key selects resistors for the two oscillator circuits Q1 and Q2. S2 and S3 vary the tonal range of S4 through S11.

## ELECTRONIC MUSIC MAKER



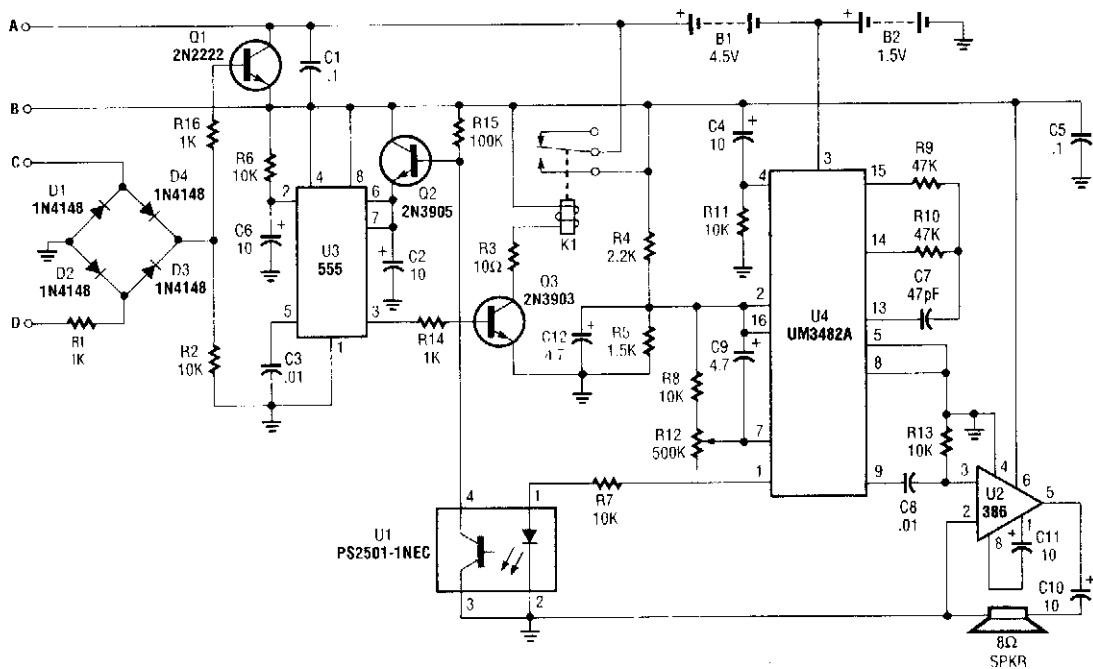
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 81-4**

This electronic music maker uses an astable oscillator circuit that is controlled by a photocell. The light falling on the photo cell controls the tone. By mounting the circuit in a box, you can control light-reading PC1 with your hand.



## MUSICAL DOORBELL



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 81-5

8 to 15 Vac is applied to terminals C and D, which produces a dc voltage across R2, and turns on Q1. This connects the batteries B1 and B2 to the rest of the circuit, which activates it. Latch U3 is triggered, it remains on until Q2 turns on, charges C2, and turns off U2. When U3 is turned on, Q3 is forward-biased, which energizes K1, powers up U4. At the time the K1 contacts close, C4 couples a positive spike to pin 4 of U4, a melody synthesizer chip. U4 generates a pre-programmed tune, at the end of which pin 1 of U4 goes positive. This activates optocoupler U1 and turns off Q2, which drops out the relay. U2 acts as an audio amplifier, which drives an 8-Ω speaker.

## OCTAVE SHIFTER FOR MUSICAL EFFECTS

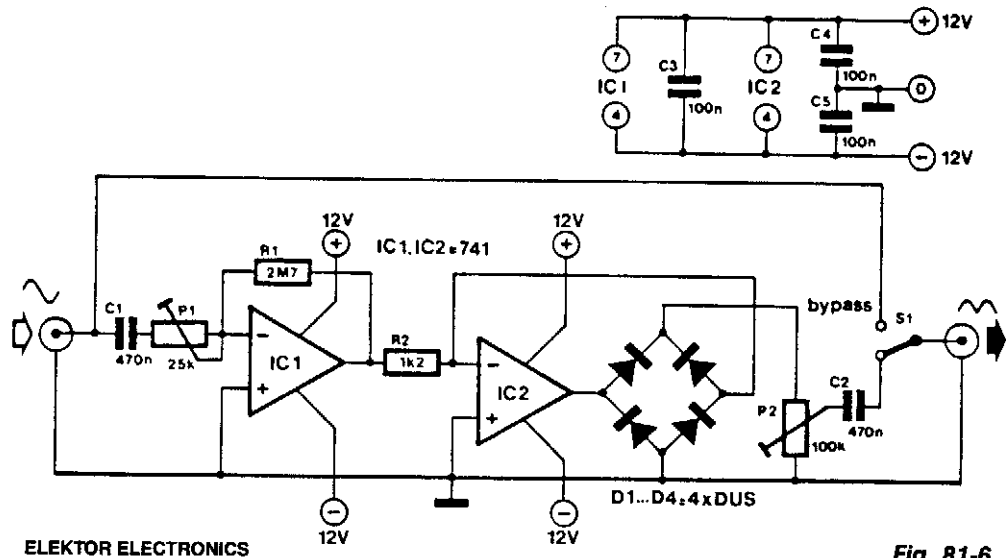


Fig. 81-6

This musical special-effect device is basically a frequency doubler. The input audio is amplified and doubled by using a full-wave rectifier, which has a dc output plus a twice the ac frequency component. The  $2\times$  frequency component is fed to the output.

## PHASOR SOUND GENERATOR

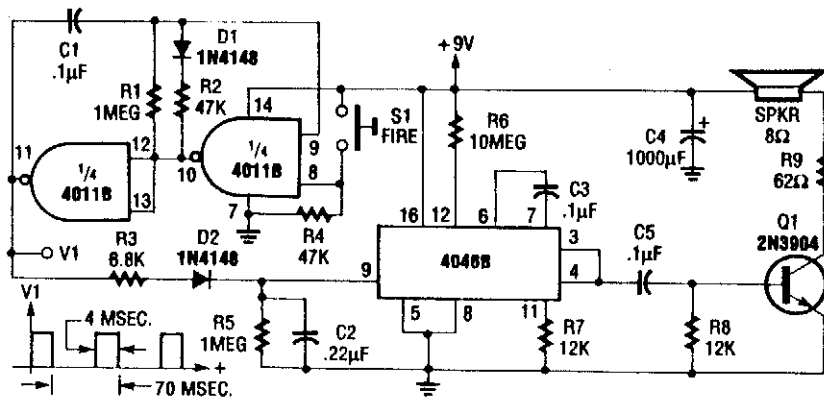
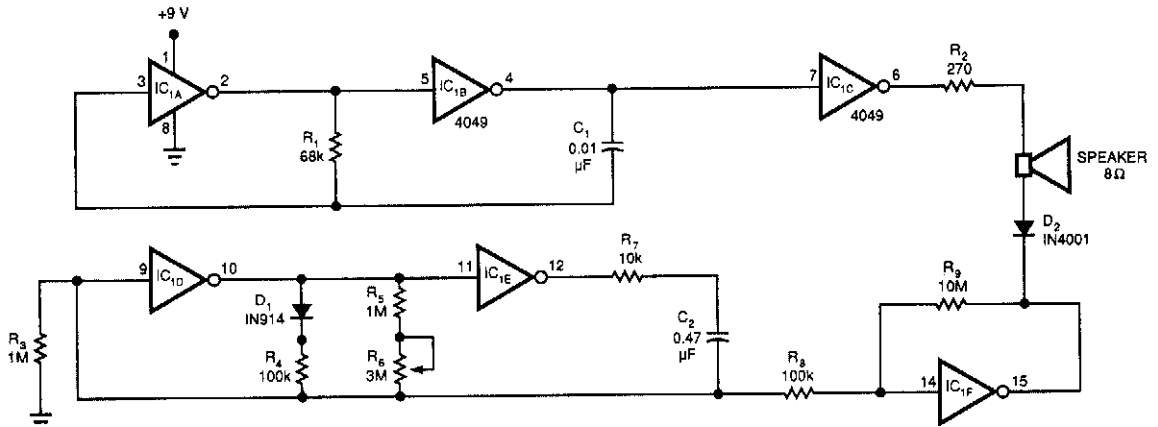


Fig. 81-7

The 4011B astable is gated by S1 to produce 4-ms pulses at 70-ms intervals. Each pulse charges C2 via D2, producing a high tone that decays slowly as C2 discharges through R5. The process repeats for each pulse.

## SINGLE-CHIP CHIME



- NOTES:**
1. IC<sub>1</sub> = 4049.
  2. ALL RESISTORS ARE 1/4 W, 10%.
  3. ALL CAPACITORS ARE 25 VOC, 20%.

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**Fig. 81-8**

This circuit uses only one IC, produces a pleasant tone, and sports a single control for adjusting the tone's chiming rate. IC1A and IC1B form an astable multivibrator, which produces the circuit's basic tone. The multivibrator's frequency is:

$$f = \frac{1}{2.2 \times R_1 \times C_1}$$

The component values produce a 668-Hz tone. IC1C buffers the multivibrator's output to the 8-Ω speaker. Current-limiting resistor R<sub>2</sub>, determines the speaker's volume. R<sub>2</sub> minimum value is 220 Ω. IC1D and IC1E form an asymmetric, astable multivibrator, which adds a chime effect to the circuit's basic tone. The chime effect's frequency is:

$$t_{L0} = 1.1C_2(R_4 \parallel (R_5 + R_6))$$

$$t_{HI} = 1.1C_2(R_5 + R_6)$$

R<sub>7</sub> gives this rate multivibrator a slowly varying output signal to produce a pleasant decay for the chime effect. IC1F is an inverting amplifier for the chime multivibrator.

# 82

## Sound Operated Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 678. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sound-Activated Switch  
Sound-Operated Switch  
Microphone-Controlled Voice-Activated Switch  
Gain-Controlled Amplifier

## SOUND-ACTIVATED SWITCH

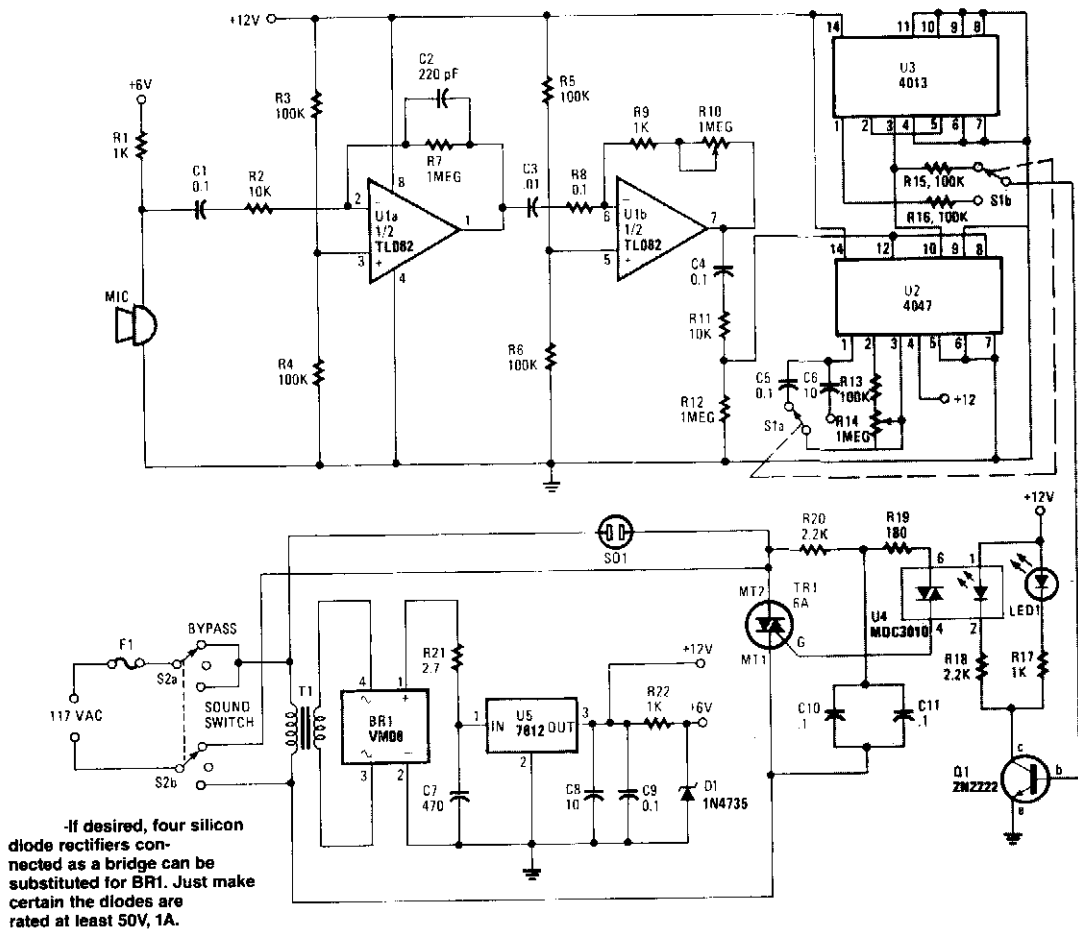
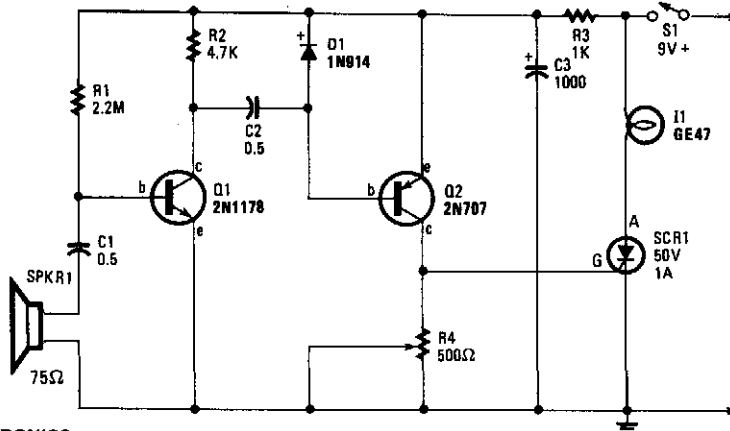


Fig. 82-1

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

This circuit provides either latched switching or timed switching. U1A and U1B provide audio amplification from the microphone. U2 is a retriggerable monostable multivibrator. S1A and S1B select either U3, a flip-flop, or U2. R13 and R14 allow a 6- to 60-second timer delay after the sound ceases, in the timed mode. BR1, U5, and associated components form a power supply. Q1 drives optocoupler U4 and triggers triac TR1.

## SOUND-OPERATED SWITCH



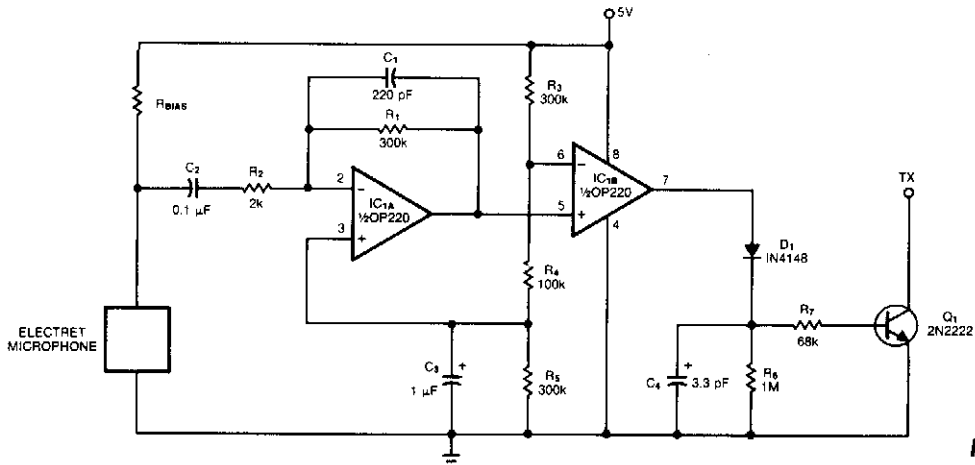
HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 82-2**

This sound-operated switch will sense the ring of the phone and translate this to a lamp that will go on and off. The amplified signal across R2 reaches D1 through capacitor C2. The rectified audio signals provide a negative bias for Q2, a pnp transistor. This causes Q2 to conduct so the current that triggers SCR1 is provided at the gate. Potentiometer R4 sets the sensitivity. R3 and C3 delay the operating voltage for Q1 so that the circuit will not be triggered on by the sound of the on/off switch, S1 or by the current surge.

Set the lamp atop a TV receiver, turn it on and set the potentiometer so that a finger snap at two feet will trigger the lamp on. Place the speaker close to the telephone and give it a try.

## MICROPHONE-CONTROLLED VOICE-ACTIVATED SWITCH

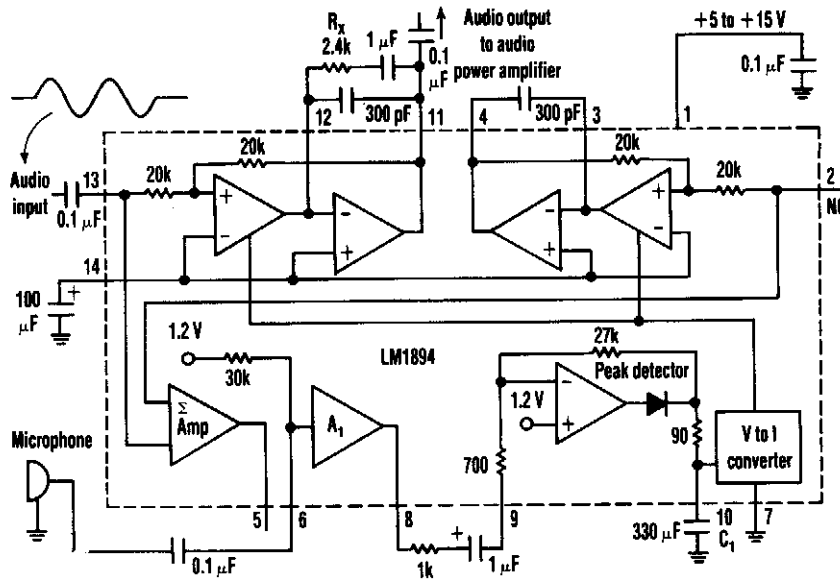


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**Fig. 82-3**

An electret microphone feeds a bandpass filter circuit (IC1A), then feeds a comparator, which in turn drives Q1. Q1 is a switch that conducts when audio from IC1B causes D1, C4, R6, and R7 to bias it ON.

## GAIN-CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 82-4

This single-chip circuit adjusts its audio gain according to the ambient noise picked up by the microphone. When operating in a quiet environment, the audio output is quiet, while a noisy environment results in a louder audio output. Audio to pin 13 is amplified by the variable-gain amplifier within the LM1894 IC. Audio from the microphone connected through 0.1-μF capacitor to pin 6 controls the audio gain of the variable-gain amplifier. The output appears on pin 11 and is taken off through an 0.1-μF capacitor.

# 83

## Square-Wave Generators

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 678. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Simple TTL, LSTTL, CMOS, Square-Wave  
Generators

Simple Square-Wave Oscillator

Square-Wave Oscillator

Variable Duty-Cycle Square-Wave  
Generator

Square-Wave Generator

Square-Wave Astable Circuit

4-Decade Square-Wave Generator

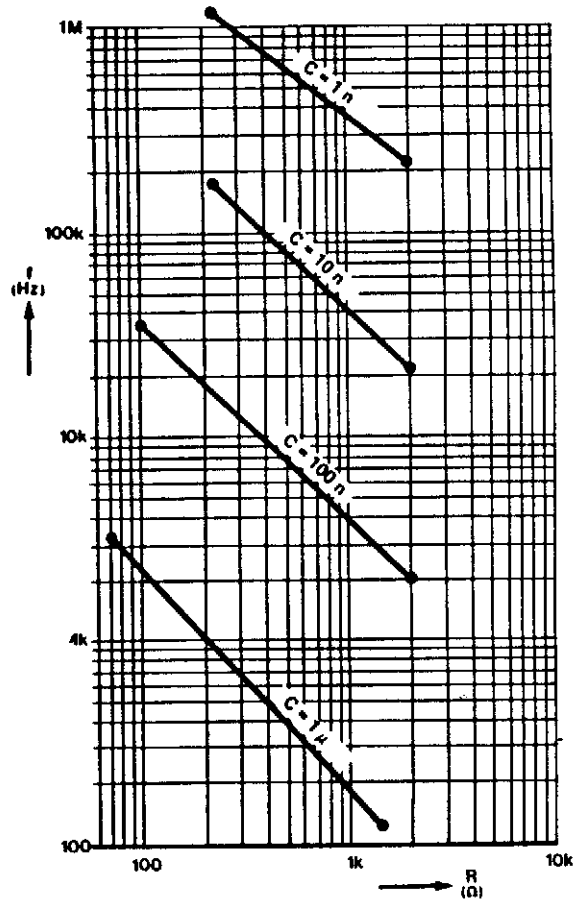
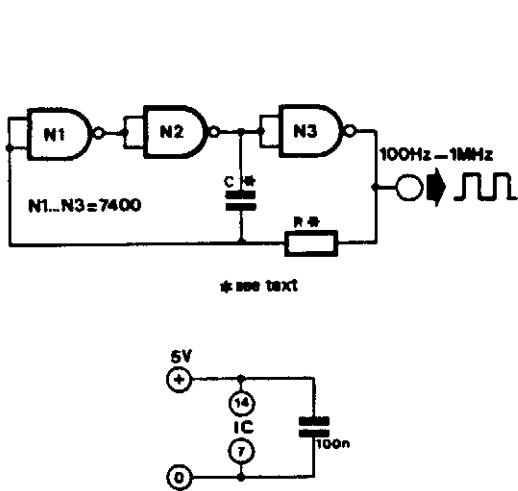
Simple Variable-Frequency Square-Wave Generator

Basic Multivibrator

1-kHz Square-Wave Generator



## SIMPLE TTL, LSTTL, CMOS, SQUARE-WAVE GENERATORS

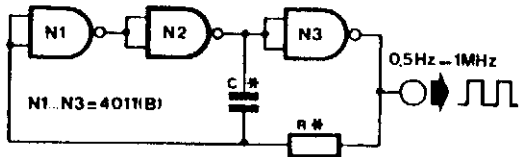


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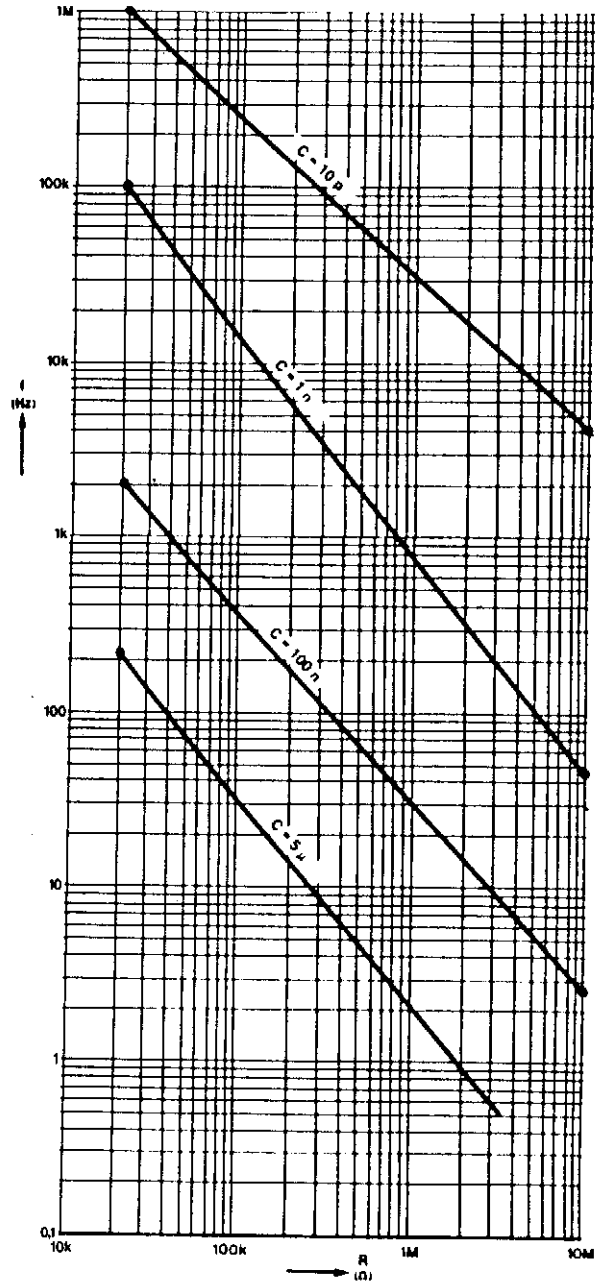
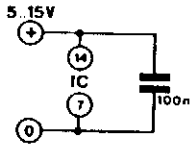
Fig. 83-1(a)

These three circuits for TTL, LSTTL, and CMOS logic use three gates each, and one or two resistors and capacitor as a square-wave oscillator. The circuits are useful for clock oscillators, etc.  $R$  and  $C$  are determined from the nomographs.

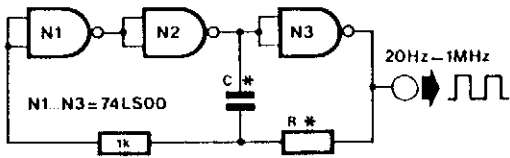
# SIMPLE TTL, LSTTL, CMOS, SQUARE-WAVE GENERATORS (Cont.)



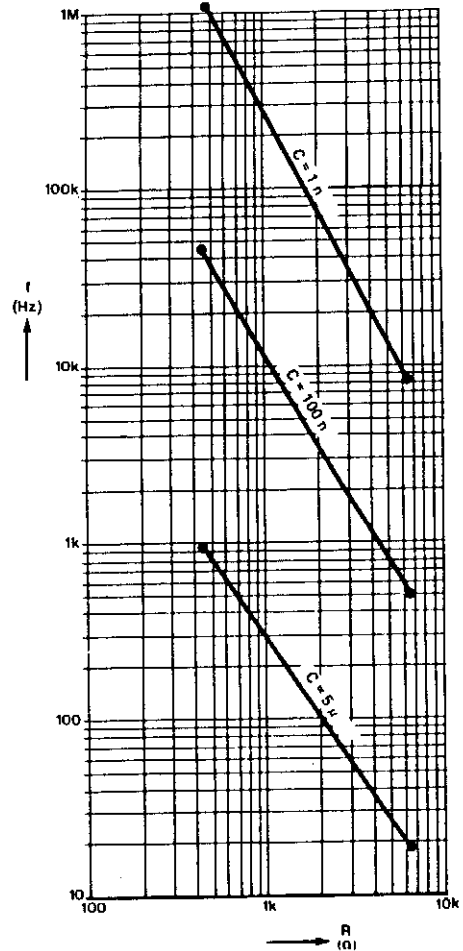
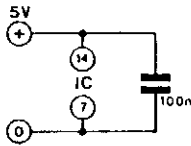
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## SIMPLE TTL, LSTTL, CMOS, SQUARE-WAVE GENERATORS (Cont.)



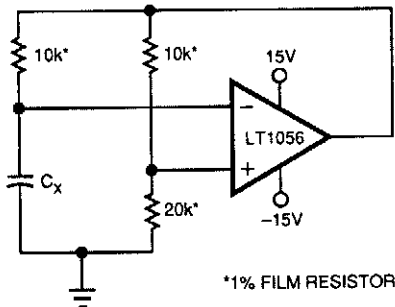
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Fig. 83-1(c)

## SIMPLE SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



\*1% FILM RESISTOR

Using only four components, this circuit generates a square wave. Oscillation frequency is  $\approx 1/RC_X$  Hz,  $R = M\Omega$ ,  $C_X = \mu F$  (in this case,  $R = 10 k\Omega$ ).

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Fig. 83-2

## SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

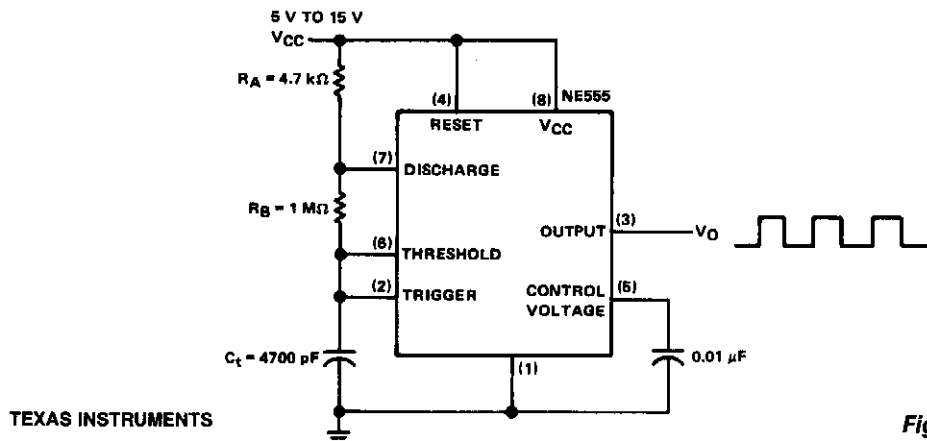
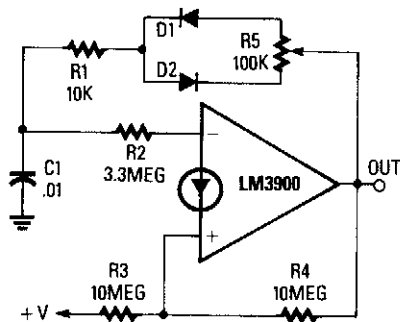


Fig. 83-3

The NE555 is connected in the astable mode and uses only three timing components ( $R_A$ ,  $R_B$ , and  $C_t$ ). A  $0.01\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  bypass capacitor is used on pin 5 for noise immunity. The operating restrictions of the astable mode are few. The upper frequency limit is about 100 kHz for reliable operation, as a result of internal storage times. Theoretically, it has no lower frequency limit, only that which is imposed by  $R_t$  and  $C_t$  limitations. The frequency for the circuit can be calculated as:

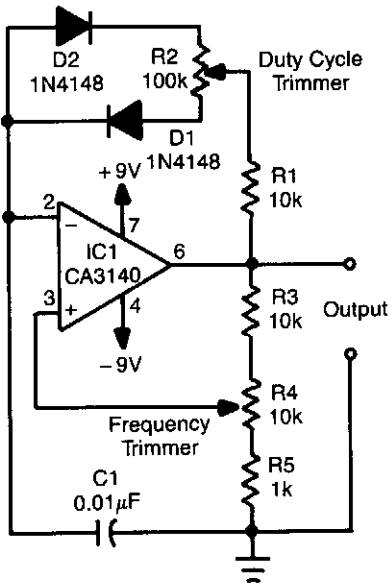
$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= \frac{1.44}{(R_A + 2R_B)C_t} \\
 &= \frac{1.44}{(4.7 \text{ k}\Omega + 2 \text{ M}\Omega)(0.0047 \text{ }\mu\text{F})} \\
 &= \frac{1.44}{9.42209 \times 10^{-3}} \\
 f &= 152.8 \text{ Hz}
 \end{aligned}$$

## VARIABLE DUTY-CYCLE SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR



$C_1$  alternately charges via  $R_1/D_1$  and the upper half of  $R_5$ , and discharges via  $R_1/D_2$  and the lower half of  $R_5$ . The duty cycle can be varied over the range from 1:10 to 10:1 via  $R_5$ .

## SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

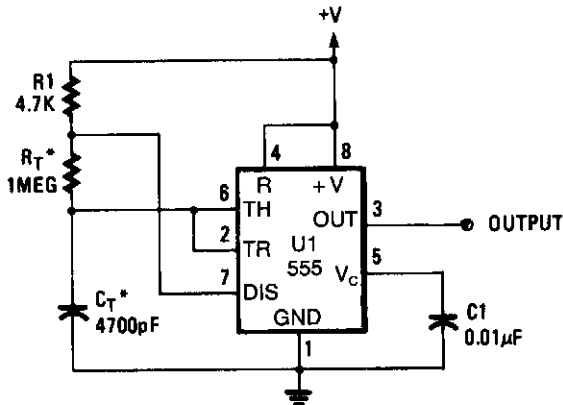


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Fig. 83-5

This relaxation oscillator circuit uses diodes to produce charge and discharge paths for C1. The duty cycle is set via R2 and the frequency via R4. C1 can be varied to vary the frequency range, which, for this circuit is approximately 300 to 3 000 Hz.

## SQUARE-WAVE ASTABLE CIRCUIT



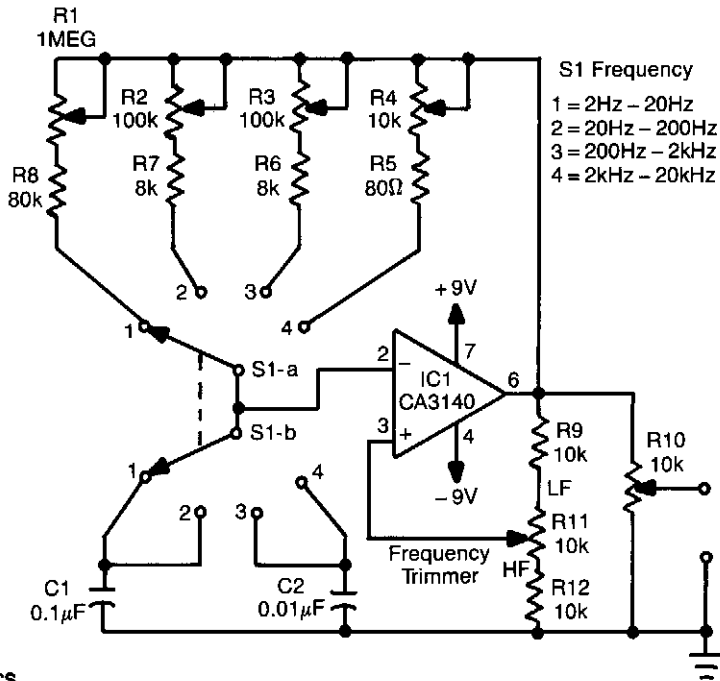
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\*WITH  $R_1 < R_T$   
 $T = 1.368 R_T C_T$   
 $f_o = \frac{0.722}{R_T C_T}$   
 (AS SHOWN,  $f_o \cong 158 \text{ Hz}$ )

Fig. 83-6

This 555 circuit produces a square wave. The frequency depends on the values of  $R_T$  and  $C_T$ , as per the design equations.

## 4-DECADE SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

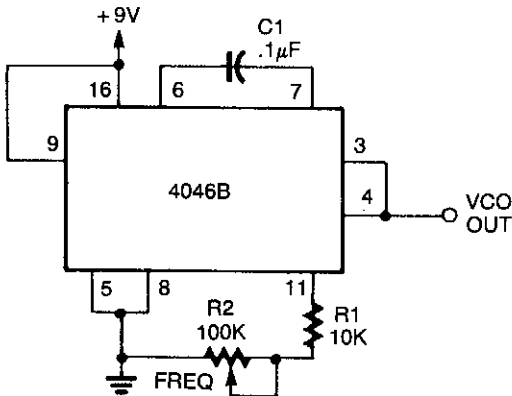


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**Fig 83-7**

This circuit will generate a square wave of 2 Hz to 20 kHz. The circuit uses an op amp in a relaxation-oscillator configuration. The output is about 15 V<sub>pp</sub>. R1 through R4 are calibration controls for each of the four frequency ranges, as selected by S1-a and S1-b. R10 adjusts the output level.

## SIMPLE VARIABLE-FREQUENCY SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

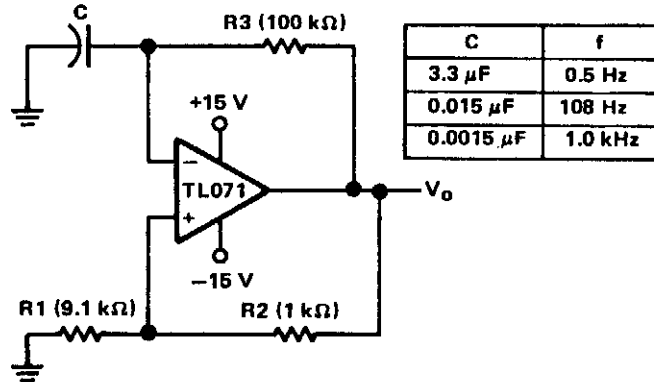


A CD4046B PLL is used as a simple generator. The range is 200 Hz to 2 kHz, but it can be changed by changing C1.

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**Fig. 83-8**

### BASIC MULTIVIBRATOR



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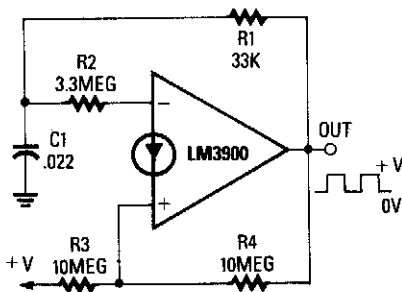
Fig. 83-9

When this circuit is turned on, the natural offset of the devices serves as an automatic starting voltage. Assume that output voltage  $V_o$  goes positive and the positive feedback through  $R_2$  and  $R_1$  forces the output to saturate. The high-voltage level at  $V_o$ , then charges  $C$  through  $R_3$ , until the voltage at the inverting input exceeds that at the noninverting input.

As the inverting input exceeds the noninverting input level, the output switches to the negative saturation voltage. This action starts the capacitor discharging toward the new noninverting input level. When the capacitor reaches that level, the op amp switches back to the positive saturation voltage, and the process starts again. With the TL071, the positive and negative output levels are nearly equal, which results in a 50% duty cycle. The total time period of one cycle will be:

$$t_T = 2 (R_3) C \ln \left( \frac{1 + 2R_1}{R_2} \right)$$

### 1-KHz SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR



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Fig. 83-10

When the output is high,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  are in parallel, and  $C_1$  charges via  $R_1$  until the current in  $R_2$  equals that at the noninverting terminal. This action occurs when  $C_1$ 's voltage rises to  $2/3$  of the supply

voltage. At that point, the circuit switches regeneratively. The output switches low and  $C_1$  starts to discharge via  $R_1$ .

Now,  $R_4$  is effectively disabled and the current to the noninverting terminal is determined solely by  $R_3$ , so  $C_1$  discharges until the current through  $R_2$  falls slightly below that of  $R_3$ .

This happens when the voltage across  $C_1$  falls to about  $1/3$  of the supply voltage. At that point, the circuit again switches regeneratively, and the output again goes high.

This circuit is useful for generating symmetrical square waves with maximum frequencies of only a few kHz. Because of the poor slew-rate characteristics of the LM3900 ( $0.5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ ), the output waveforms have rather slow rise and fall times.

# 84

## Switching Circuits

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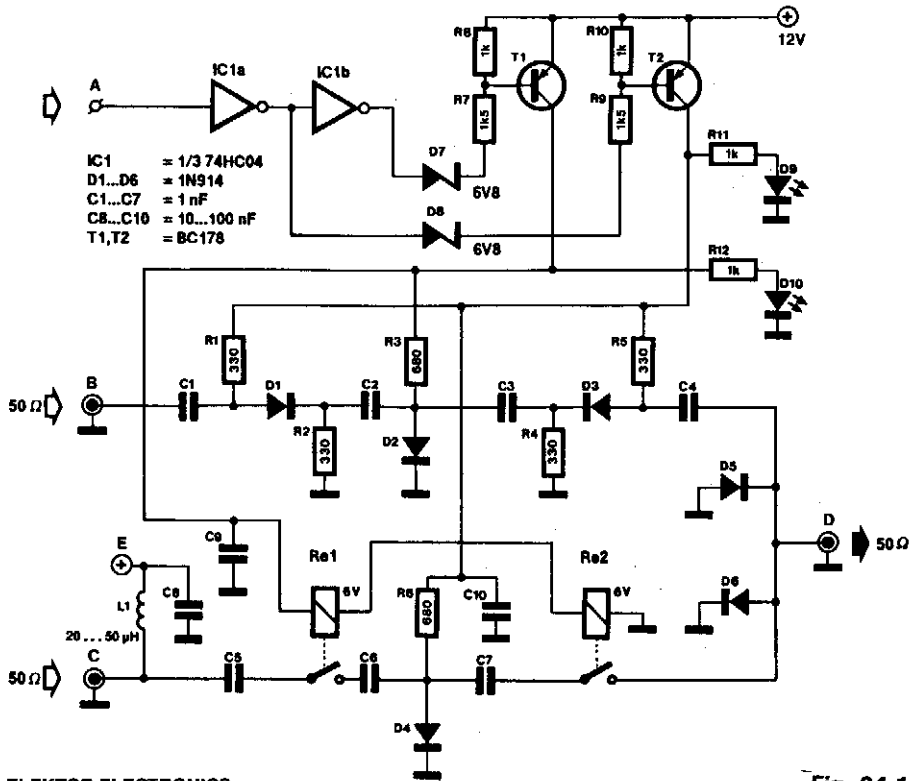
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Electronic Antenna Selector  
( $N+1$ ) Wires Connect  $N$  Hall-Effect Switches  
Audio/Video Switcher  
Precision Narrow-Band Tone Switch  
Diode RF Switch  
Satellite TV Audio Switcher

On/Off Switch  
Switching Circuit  
Inexpensive VHF/UHF Diode RF Switch  
Mechanically Controlled Bistable  
Bounce-Free Auto-Repeat Switch  
Transistor Turns Op Amp On or Off



## ELECTRONIC ANTENNA SELECTOR



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Fig. 84-1

The electronic antenna selector is intended to switch between two FM antennas via a logic signal. Gates IC1A and IC1B ensure a clean switching action and at the same time form the interface between the 5-V logic level (probably available from the receiver) and the 12-V supply voltage for the selector. Depending on the type of gate used, a digital TTL or CMOS control signal is available in direct and inverted form at the outputs of IC1.

When input A is logic high, the output of IC1A is low and that of IC1B is high. The current then flows from the positive supply line to IC1A via T2, R9, and D8. T2 is switched on and D9 lights.

Because direct currents flow through R1/D1/R2 and R5/D3/R4, diodes D1 and D3 conduct and pass the VHF signal from input A to output D. At the same time, a direct current flows through R6/D4 so that D4 conducts. This arrangement ensures that any VHF signal at input C cannot reach the output via the parasitic capacitances of the relay contacts and the wiring.

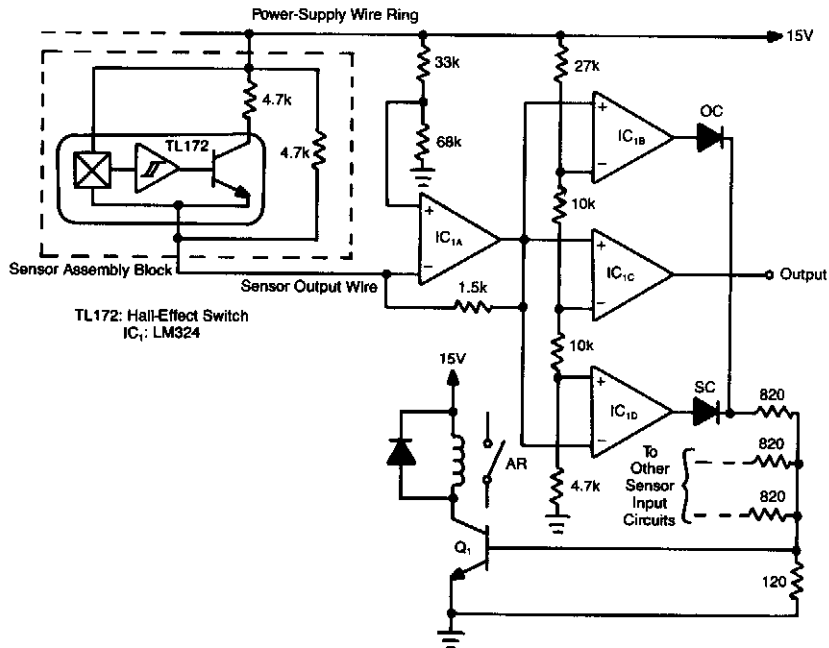
When A is logic low, and IC1B is therefore low, the current flows from the positive supply line to IC1B via T1, R7, and D17. T1 is then switched on and D10 lights. At the same time, the two series-connected relays, Re1 and Re2, are energized, their contacts close, and the VHF signal at input C is fed to output D. Moreover, a direct current flows through R3/D2 so that D2 conducts. Any signal at input B is then shorted to ground via D2.

## ELECTRONIC ANTENNA SELECTOR (Cont.)

All resistors should be carbon-film types because these have a higher parasitic series inductance than metal-film resistors. Thus, the attenuation of the VHF signal caused by them is reduced to a minimum.

The attenuation losses caused by the diode junctions (5-10 dB) are somewhat larger than those caused by the relays. It is thus advisable to connect the antenna that provides the weaker signal (normally the domestic one) to input C. If the domestic antenna is equipped with an antenna amplifier, it can be supplied via terminal E. Diodes D5 and D6 protect the circuit against high-voltage spikes that occur during the on and off switching. The selector draws a current of approximately 65 mA.

### (N + 1) WIRES CONNECT N HALL-EFFECT SWITCHES



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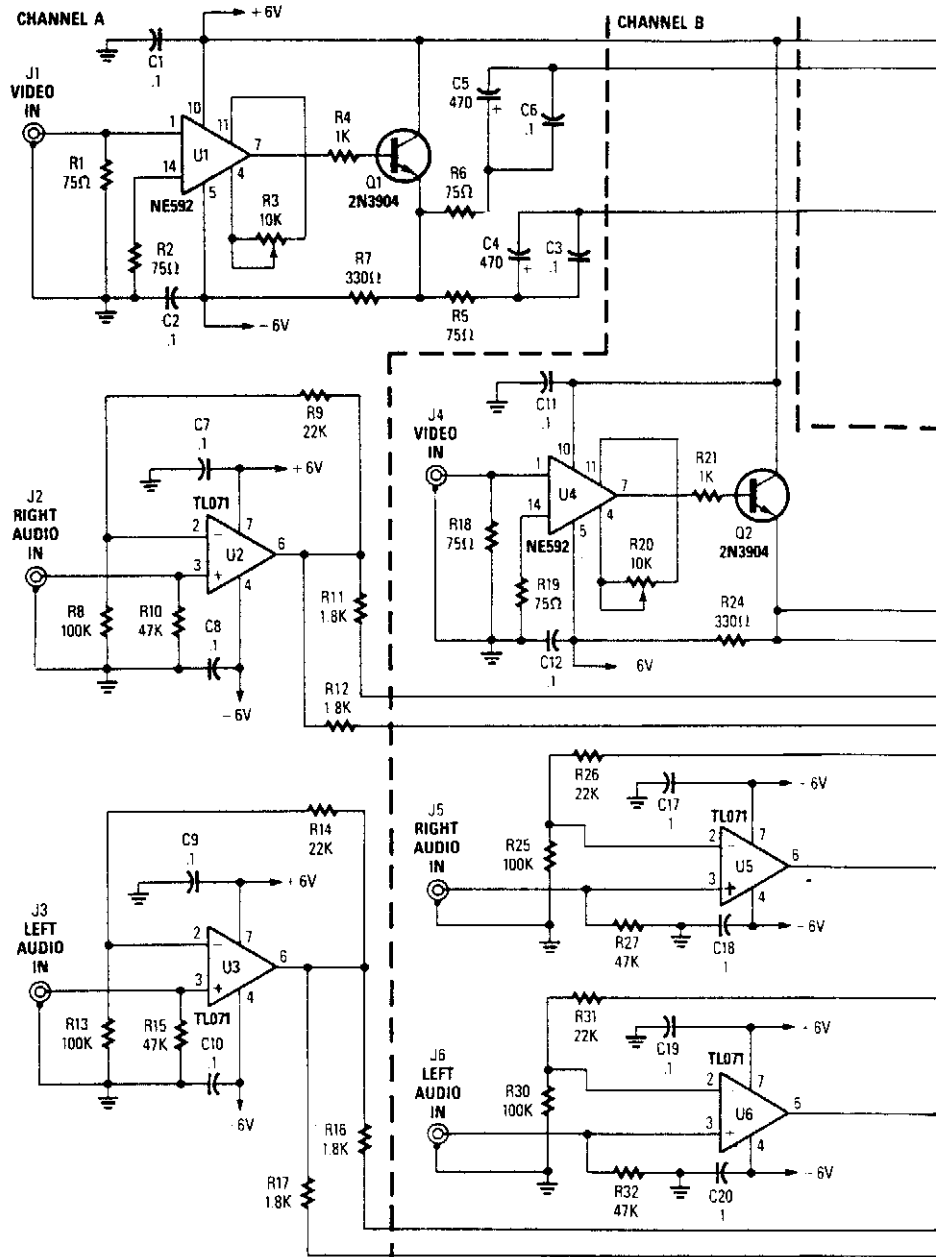
Fig. 84-2

Hall-effect switches have several advantages over mechanically and optically coupled switches. Their major drawback is that they require three wires per device. This circuit, however, reduces this wire count to  $N + 1$  wires for  $N$  devices.

Amplifier IC1A is configured as a current-to-voltage converter. It senses the sensor assembly's output current. When the Hall-effect switch is actuated, the sensor's output current increases to twice its quiescent value. Amplifier IC1B, configured as a comparator, detects this increase. The comparator's output goes low when the Hall-effect switch turns on.

The circuit also contains a fault-detection function. If any sensor output wire is open, its corresponding LED will turn on. If the power-supply line opens, several LEDs will turn on. A short circuit will also turn an LED on. Every time an LED turns on, Q1 turns on and the alarm relay is actuated.

## AUDIO/VIDEO SWITCHER



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This circuit is a two-channel baseband video switcher. Buffer amps U1/Q1, U4/Q4, and associated components produce a buffered 75-Ω video signal, which is routed to switching network K1/K2/K3. Relay K1 selects either of these two video amplifiers and feeds J7. K2 also routes the output of either video amplifier to K3, which passes the selected video channel to J8 or connects J9 to J8.

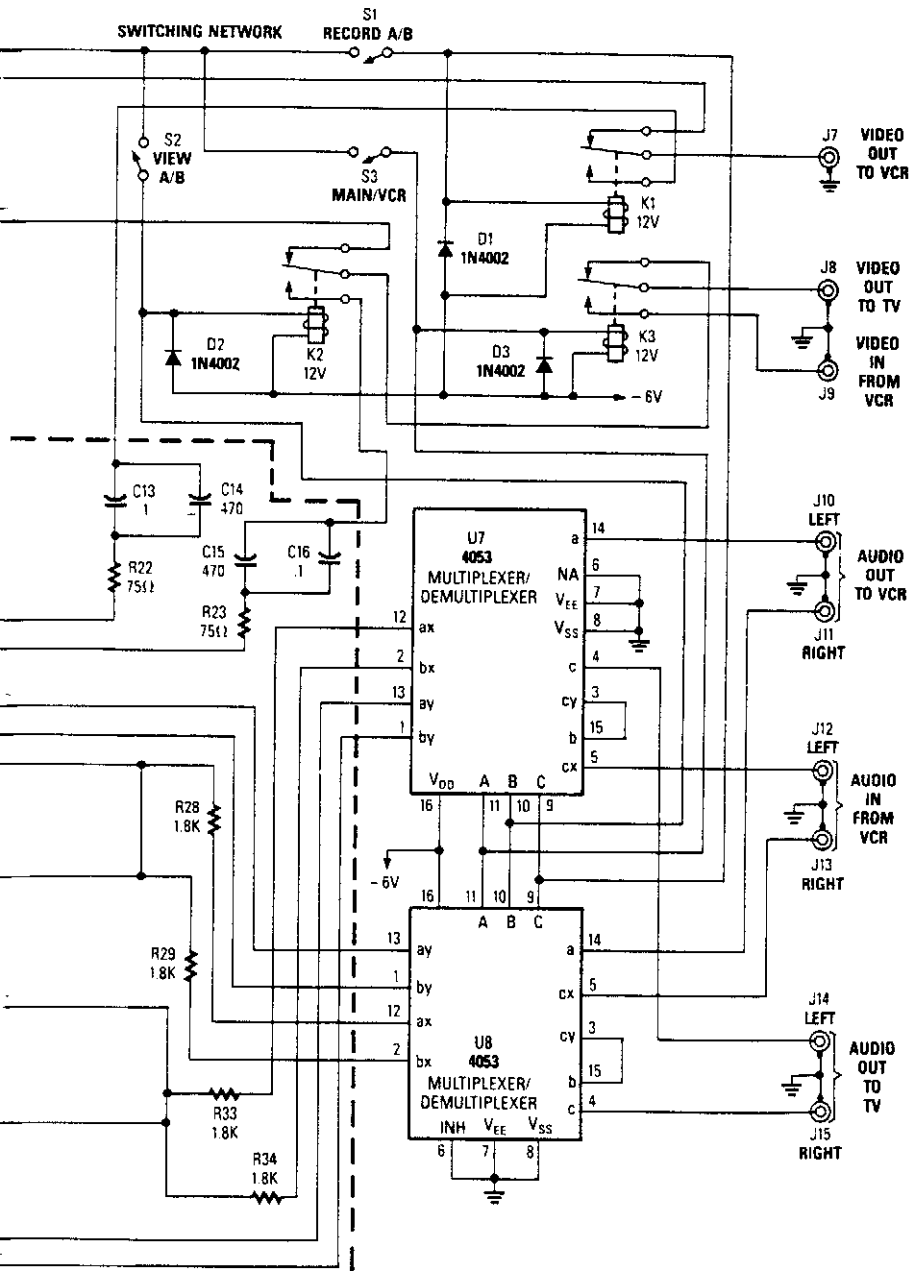
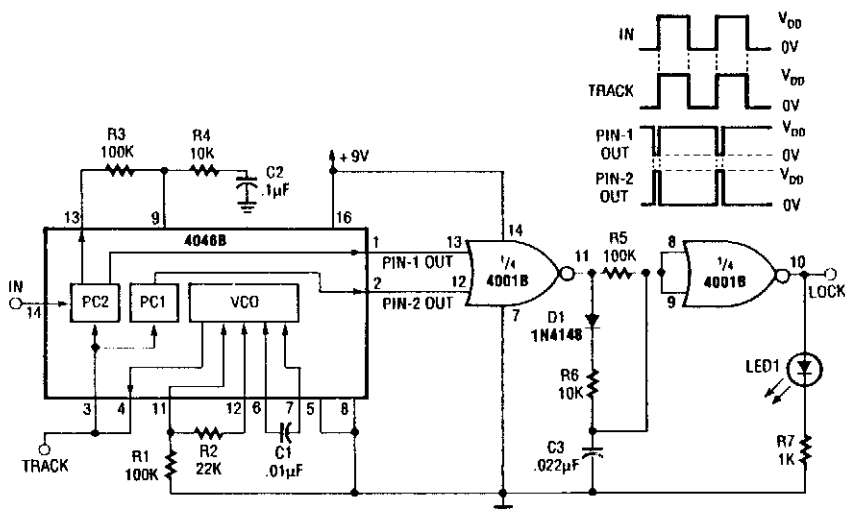


Fig. 84-3

U2 and U3 are audio amplifiers, which drive U7 and U8 (CD4053 analog switches) to route audio from J1 and J2 to either J14/J15, or J10/J11. Also, audio from J12/J13 can be routed to these jacks.

## PRECISION NARROW-BAND TONE SWITCH



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Fig. 84-4

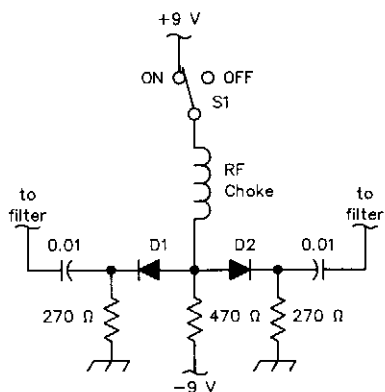
This signal tracker and lock detector combine to make a precision tone switch. Filter R3/R4/C2 determines signal capture and tracking range, as well as settling time.

Max. VCO frequency:  $R_1 C_1$

Min. VCO frequency:  $(R_1 + R_2) C_2$

Pin 9 voltage affects both. The minimum at pin 9 is 0 V and the maximum at pin 9 is  $V_{DD}$ . In the lock detector, the PC (phase comparator) outputs are pulses whose width is proportional to the phase difference between the two PC inputs. At lock up, the two PC outputs are almost mirror images. The output of IC1A remains low and IC1B is high. This lights LED1. If the loop is unlocked, the LED will not light.

## DIODE RF SWITCH

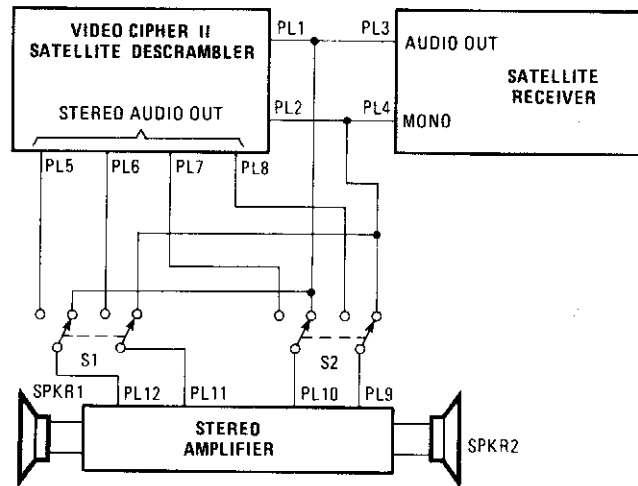


QST

Fig. 84-5

D1 and D2 can be IN914B- or HP2800-series diodes (for UHF). The loss is over 60 dB in the OFF state, and less than 3 dB at 3.5 to 30 MHz (using common IN914B diodes).

## SATELLITE TV AUDIO SWITCHER



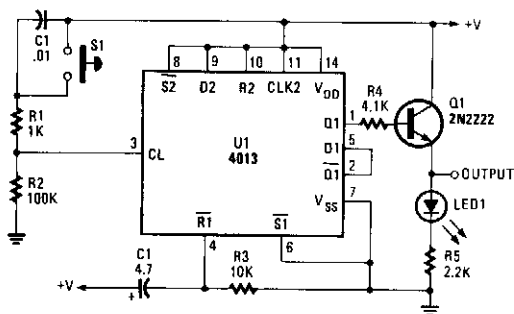
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Fig. 84-6

Some channels offer a separate audio mode (SAP) in a second language. It is usually transmitted on 6.8 MHz, which is the frequency used for unscrambled channels. The audio in the scrambled channels is transmitted along with the picture, so when the descrambler descrambles the signal, it also descrambles the audio in stereo. When the channel offers SAP, you'll find it on 6.8 MHz.

The switches are a pair of DPDT switches that have the toggle handles tied together. In one position, you hear the audio in stereo and in the other position, you hear the SAP. Just turn down the volume level on the TV and you can connect it to a stereo amplifier and a pair of speakers.

## ON/OFF SWITCH

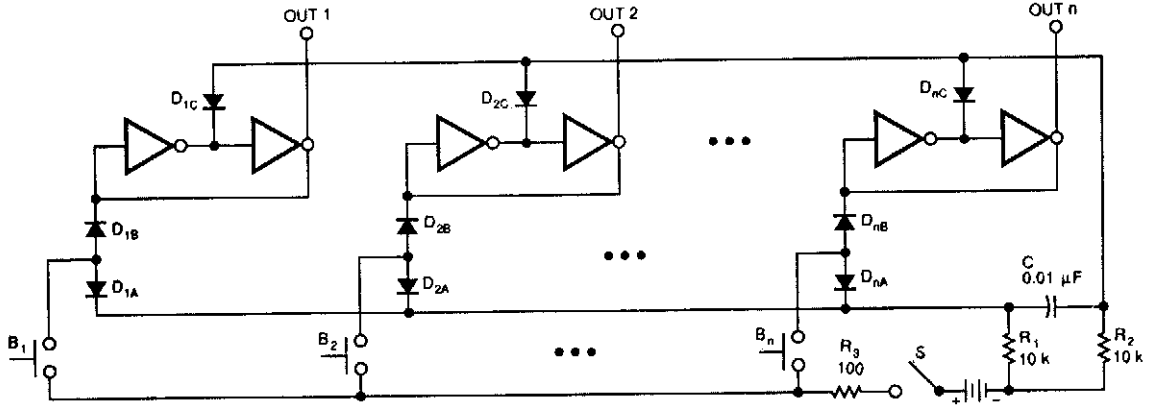


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Fig. 84-7

A CD 4013 dual-D flip-flop is used to drive an emitter-follower. This circuit can be used where a simple pushbutton on/off is desired.

## SWITCHING CIRCUIT



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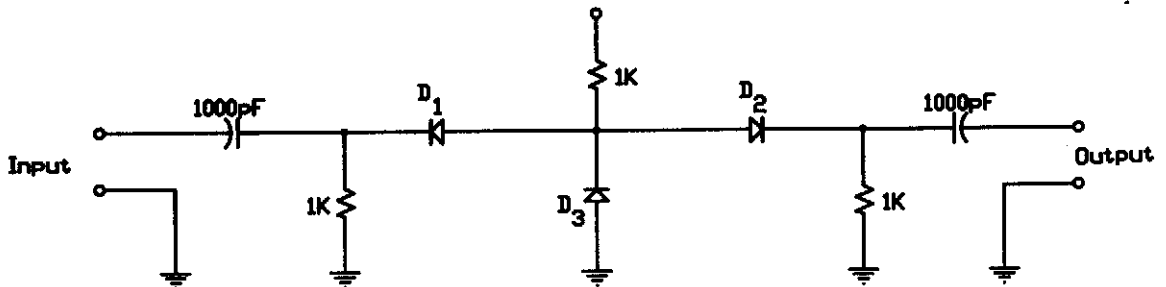
**Fig. 84-8**

This switching circuit acts like a bank of interlocked mechanical switches; pushing one of the buttons latches its corresponding output and unlatches a previously selected output. A pair of inverters forms a latch for each output.

Pressing button B1, for example, applies a positive pulse, via resistor diode D1B, to the input of the first output's, OUT1, latch. This positive pulse will set OUT1 high. Feedback locks OUT1's pair of converters in this HIGH state. Meanwhile, the pulse will also pass through diode D1A to the differentiator that is formed by C and R2. The differentiator will shorten the pulse.

The shortened pulse goes to all the latches and resets all of them, except the latch that sees the longer setting pulse. Obviously, if you press more than one button at once, more than one output will latch at once.

## INEXPENSIVE VHF/UHF DIODE RF SWITCH



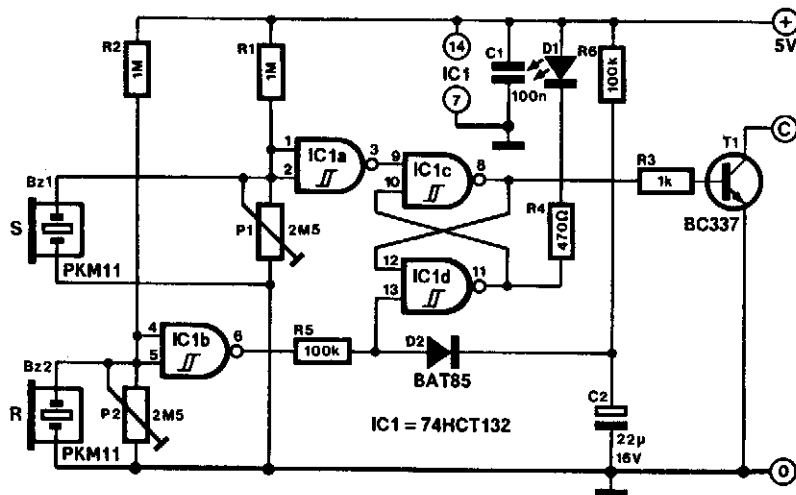
Diodes are 1N4148

RF DESIGN

**Fig. 84-9**

This circuit uses low-cost 1N4148 diodes and exhibits about 1.5 dB insertion loss from 10 to 1000 MHz with a few volts of negative bias. D3 conducts and D1/D2 are cut off, which results in 30 to 50 dB isolation. When a few volts of positive bias are applied, D1 and D2 are biased on and D3 is cut off. This circuit should be useful in applications where a low-cost RF switch is necessary.

## MECHANICALLY CONTROLLED BISTABLE



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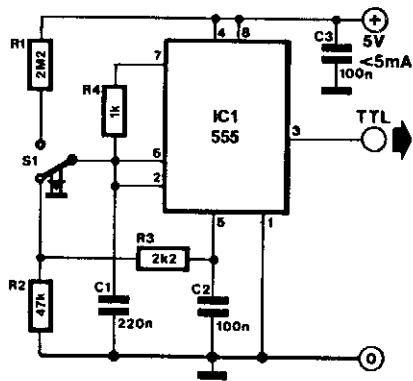
Fig. 84-10

Applications for this mechanically set and reset bistable are found, among others, in antitheft devices and model railway crossings.

The transducers are formed by buzzer BZ1, which sets the bistable, and BZ2, which resets it. Their sensitivity is set with P1 and P2, respectively. The presets are adjusted correctly if the output of buffers IC1A and IC1B just toggles from high to low or vice versa.

If all have been set correctly, a slight tap of BZ1 will set the bistable. This tap causes T1 to switch on, which enables, for instance, a relay to be energized. At the same time, D1 lights. A tap on BZ2 or on its mounting resets the bistable, whereupon D1 goes out and T1 is switched off.

## BOUNCE-FREE AUTO-REPEAT SWITCH



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Fig. 84-11

This switch that keeps pulsing as long as it is pressed is often required. The circuit here used the well known Type 555 for this purpose. Its output is a TTL-compatible signal.

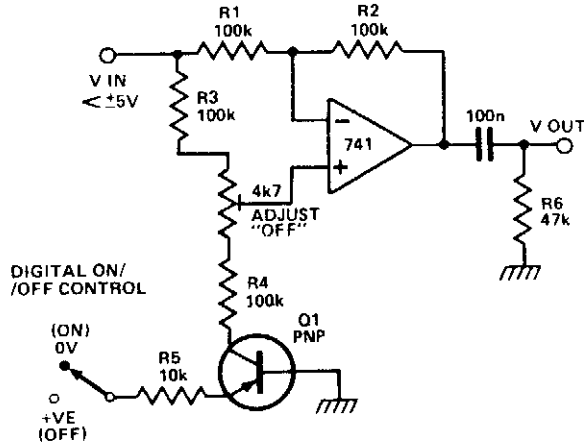
Pin 5 of the timer has a potential of 67% of the supply voltage,  $U_{CC}$ . In the quiescent condition (switch not pressed), C1 charges via R2 and R3 to a voltage that is lower than that at pin 5, and thus is also lower than the toggle voltage.

When the switch is pressed, C1 is rapidly charged via R1 to the toggle voltage, upon which the timer emits a pulse. At the same time, the capacitor is discharged again via R4. As long as the switch is pressed, the circuit functions as an astable toggle and produces pulses. When it is released, the capacitor cannot charge to the toggle voltage.



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## TRANSISTOR TURNS OP AMP ON OR OFF



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Fig. 84-12

When transistor  $Q1$  is switched off, the circuit behaves as a voltage follower. By applying a positive voltage to the emitter of  $Q1$  via a 10 k $\Omega$  resistor, the transistor is made to turn on and go into saturation. Thus, the lower end of  $R4$  is connected to ground. The circuit has not changed into that of a differential amplifier, except that the voltage difference is always 0 V. As long as the resistor ratios in the two branches around the op amp are in the same ratio, the output should be zero. A 47-k $\Omega$  resistor is used to null out any ratio errors so that the OFF attenuation is more than 60 dB. The high common-mode rejection ratio of a 741 enables this large attenuation to be obtained.

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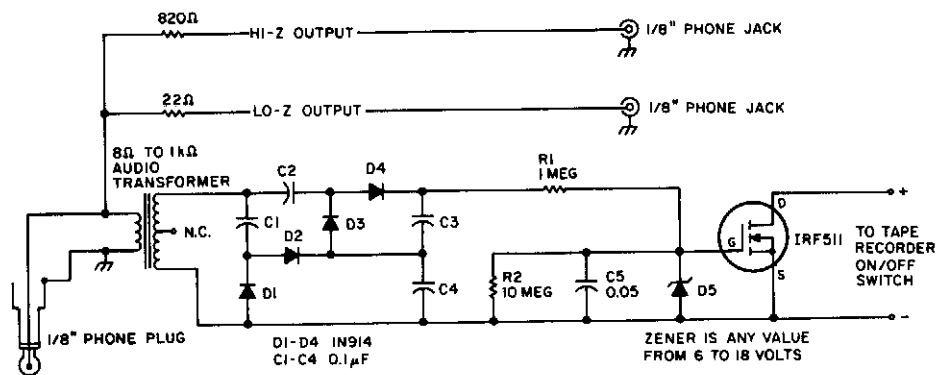
## Tape Recorder Circuits

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Audio-Powered Tape Recorder Controller  
12-V Auto-Powered Circuit For Cassette Recorders

## AUDIO-POWERED TAPE RECORDER CONTROLLER

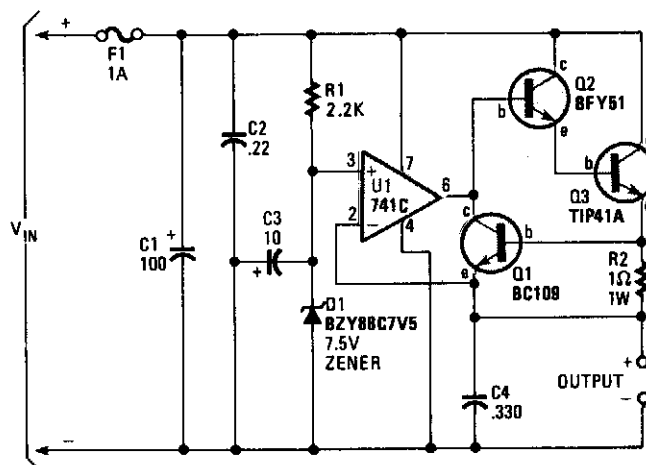


73 AMATEUR RADIO

Fig. 85-1

A tape recorder can be controlled by rectifying the audio input and driving an IRF511 power MOSFET to switch a tape recorder on when audio is present. This circuit was used with a communications receiver to record intermittent transmissions (such as aircraft, repeater output, etc.).

## 12-V AUTO-POWERED CIRCUIT FOR CASSETTE RECORDERS



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Fig. 85-2

A regulator allows you to power a 7.5-V cassette recorder or other device from a 12-Vdc auto system. About 600 mA is available from the circuit. Q3 should be heatsinked because it dissipates up to 4 W. F1 should be a slow-blow fuse so that the surge caused by C1 does not cause unnecessary fuse failures.

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# Telephone-Related Circuits

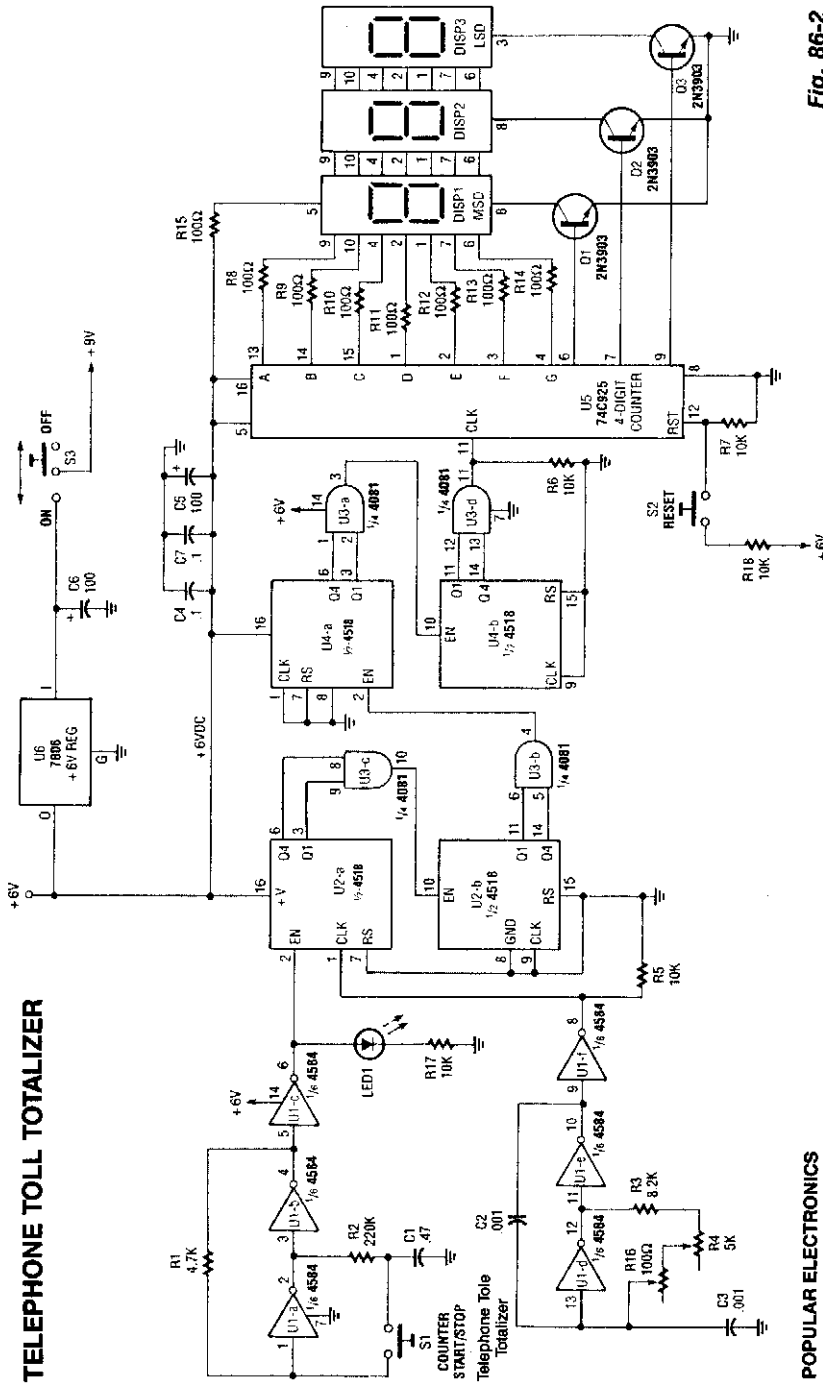
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|  |                                 |
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| Telephone-Operated ac Power Switch             | Tell-A-Bell                     |
| Telephone Toll Totalizer                       | Answering Machine Beeper        |
| Remote-Controlled Telephone/Fax Machine Switch | Telephone Visual Ring Indicator |
| Telemonitor for Recording Phone Calls          | Phone-In-Use Indicator          |
| Duplex Audio Link                              | Telephone Amplifier             |
| Low-Power Touch-Tone Decoder                   | Extension Phone Ringer          |
| Telephone Speaker Amplifier                    | Telephone Visual Ring Indicator |
| Telephone Ringer                               | Call Tone Generator             |
| Phone Message Flasher                          | Remote Ringer                   |
| Telephone Silencer                             | Telephone Message Taker         |
| Telephone Intercom                             | Telephone Line-In-Use Indicator |
| Telephone Auto Record                          | Simple Ring Detector            |



## TELEPHONE TOLL TOTALIZER



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Fig. 86-2

The Telephone Toll Totalizer—built around two 4518 dual synchronous up counters, a 74C925 4-digit counter, a 4584 hex inverting buffer, and a 4081 quad 2-input AND gate—is fairly simple.

Approximate toll charges can be calculated with this counter. It is started when dialing and stopped (manually) on hang-up. It is actually a counter that measures the time you are on the telephone. By calibrating it to the average cost/second of calls (get this from calculations you have done on your monthly phone bill), you can closely estimate your phone bill.

The circuit consists of an oscillator running at the  $100,000 \times$  frequency into the main counter (74C925). Typically, cost of telephone calls is 15 to 25 cents/minute so that the clock frequency (U1) is in the 25- to 40-kHz range. U2 and U4 with gates U3 form a  $\div 100,000$  counter. The approximate cost in dollars and cents is read out on the multiplexed display, DISP 1, 2, 3. S2 resets the counter to zero after each use.

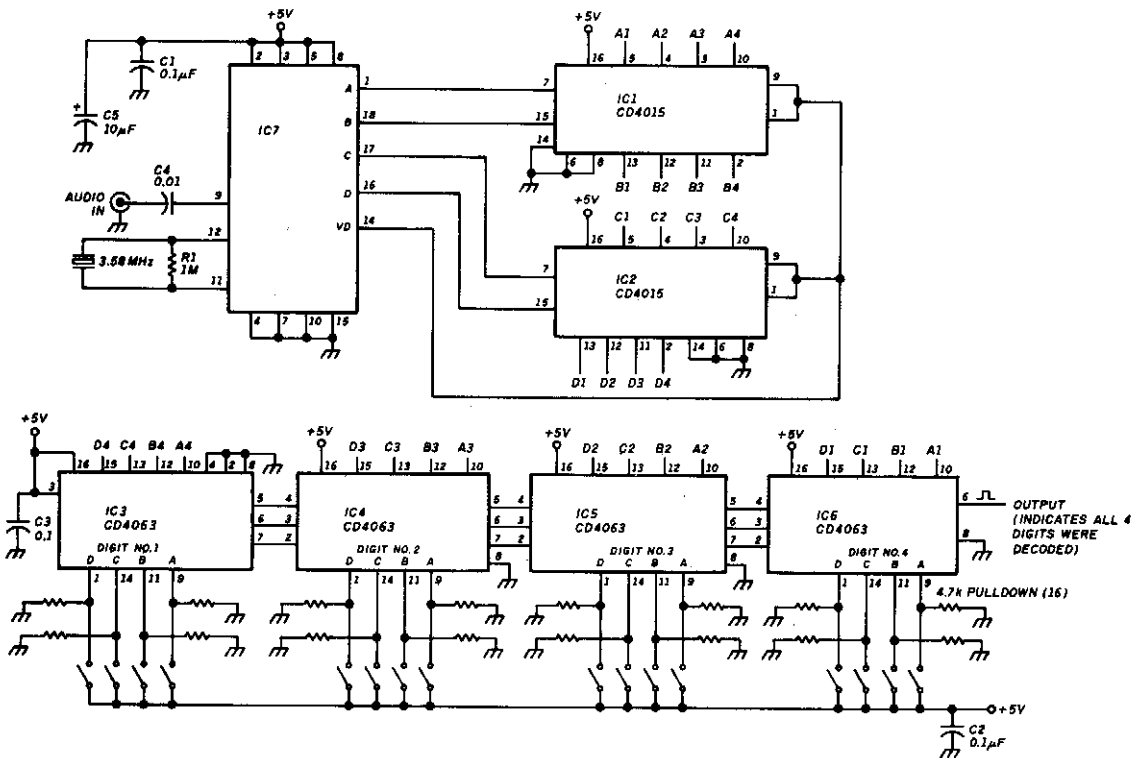








## LOW-POWER TOUCH-TONE DECODER

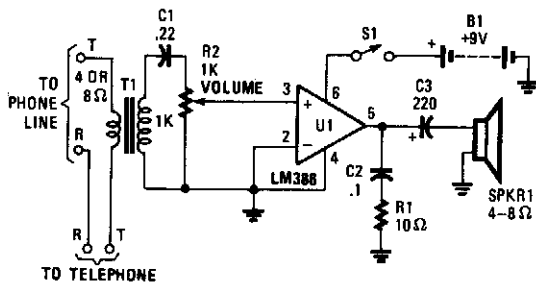


HAM RADIO

**Fig. 86-6**

This decoder will respond to a preselected 4-digit DTMF number. IC7 is a Radio Shack IC device (part #276-1303). The logic is all CMOS. The digits are selected by SW1 and SW2, a pair of 8-position DIP switches.

## TELEPHONE SPEAKER AMPLIFIER

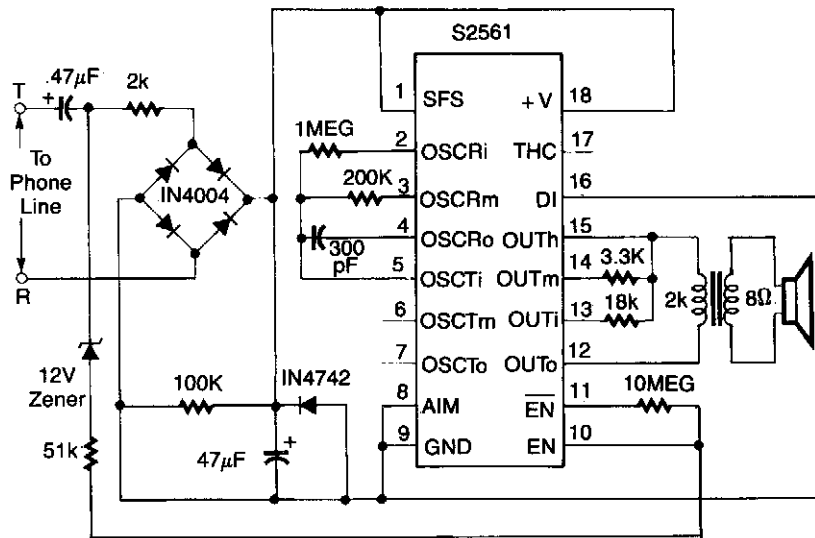


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**Fig. 86-7**

This simple telephone amplifier (which can be switched off for privacy) allows everyone in the room to listen to your telephone conversations.

## TELEPHONE RINGER

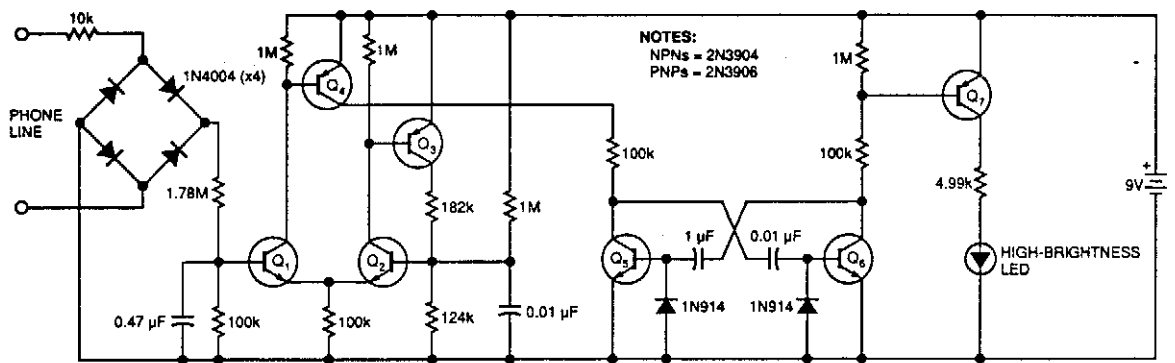


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Fig. 86-8

Using an AMI P/N S2561 IC, the circuit shown can be either powered by a battery or the telephone line in use. Output is about 50 mW.

## PHONE MESSAGE FLASHER

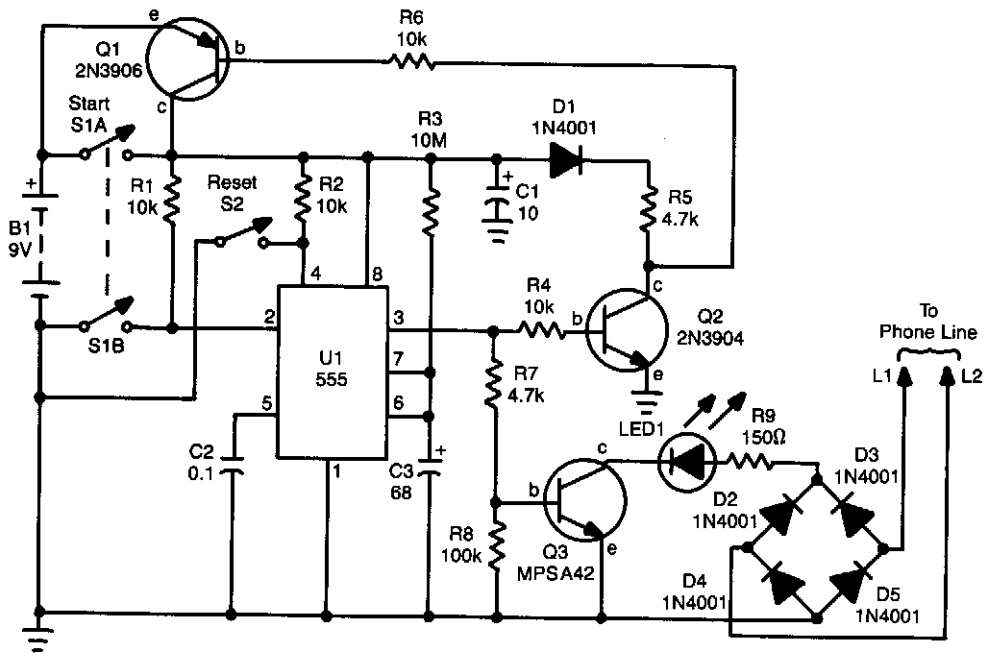


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Fig. 86-9

This circuit flashes an LED to indicate that your phone rang during your absence. A differential amplifier with hysteresis (Q1, Q2, and Q3) detects high line voltage (ringing), which turns on Q4, multivibrator Q5/Q6, and flashes the LED via Q7. Q1 and Q2 remain on until the phone-line voltage drops to less than 9 V, which indicates an off-hook condition.

## TELEPHONE SILENCER



WELS' THINK TANK

Fig. 86-10

If you are busy and cannot answer or do not wish to answer your phone, this circuit will give a busy signal without you having to leave the phone off the hook. After a predetermined time, the circuit is deactivated. U1 forms an astable multivibrator that can be set for a time up to 10 minutes by values of R3 and C3. When S1A is depressed, U1 starts, and Q1 latches, which powers the circuit. At the end of a time interval determined by R3 and C3, Q2 and Q3 cut off and remove power from the circuit. During the operation, S3 throws a 150-Ω resistor across the phone line, which simulates an off-hook condition.

## TELEPHONE INTERCOM

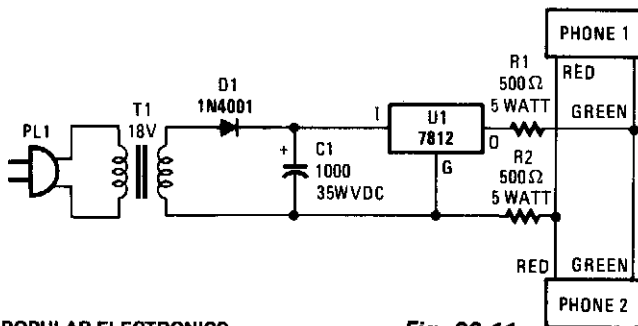
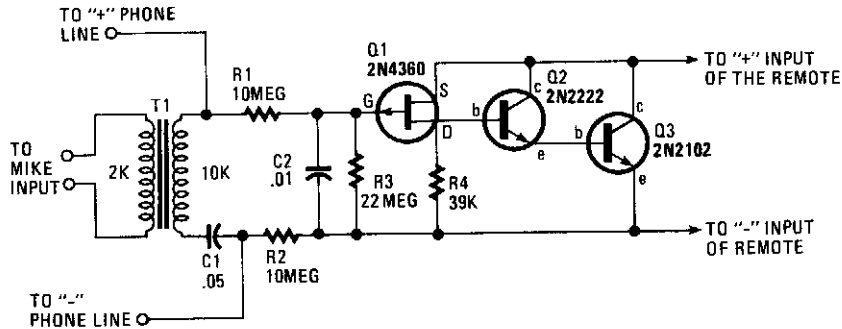


Fig. 86-11

Two telephones can be used as an intercom setup with this simple power-supply arrangement. The 500-Ω resistors maintain line balance.

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## TELEPHONE AUTO RECORD

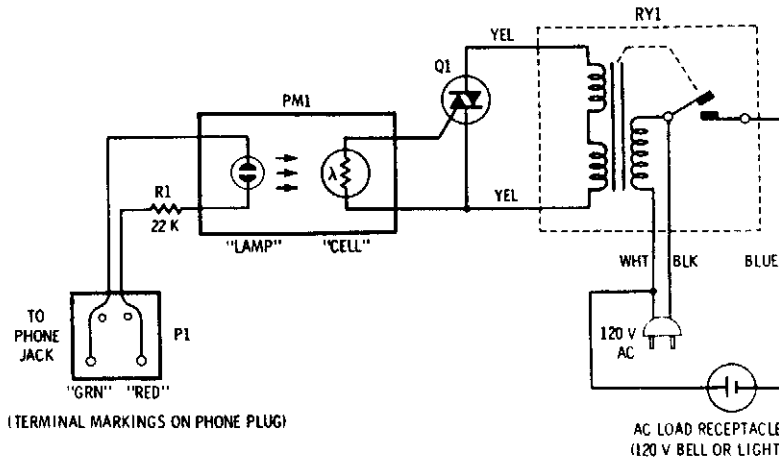


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Fig. 86-12

The circuit requires neither a battery nor an ac supply to make it work. Set the recorder to the record position and when the telephone is taken off the hook, the recorder starts to record everything. When the phone is on the hook, the voltage across the phone lines is about 48 Vdc. When it is taken off the hook, the line voltage drops below 10 V. When the line voltage is near 48 V, the FET is biased off and no current can flow through Q2 and Q3. When the receiver is off the hook, the voltage drops, and allows Q1 to conduct. This action turns on Q2, Q3, and the cassette recorder.

## TELL-A-BELL

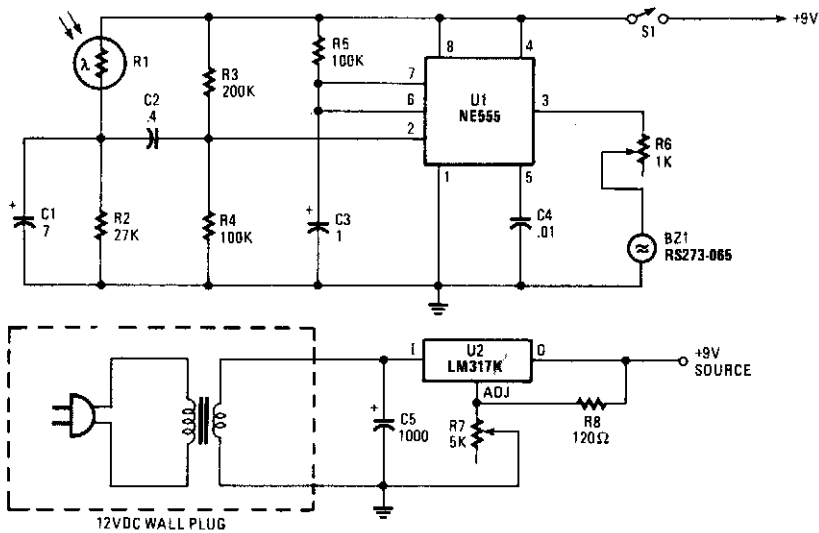


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Fig. 86-13

This accessory connects to phone and will activate an attention-getting 120-V bell whenever a ringing voltage appears on the phone line. The four-terminal transducer has a neon bulb close to a photocell, which are both enclosed in a light-tight tube. When the lamp is off, the cell is dark and its resistance is very high. When a ringing voltage appears on the phone line, the neon bulb glows brightly and illuminates the photocell whose resistance then drops to about 1000  $\Omega$ . The photocell is in the gate circuit of a triac that will turn on whenever the cell resistance drops. The triac is connected across the switching terminals of the isolation relay. Thus, the relay closes and applies 120 V to the output socket whenever the triac is on.

## ANSWERING MACHINE BEEPER

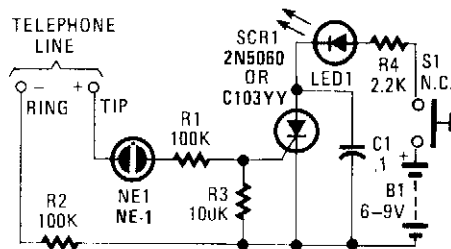


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**Fig. 86-14**

When the light on the answering machine blinks, the resistance of photoresistor R1 changes, triggers the timer (U1), and generates 0.2-s pulse that activates BZ1. R1 is optically coupled to the LED on the answering machine and is properly light shielded.

## TELEPHONE VISUAL RING INDICATOR

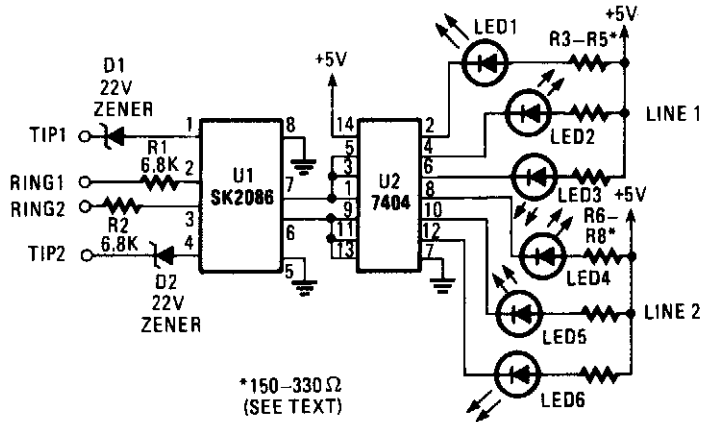


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**Fig. 86-15**

This circuit will indicate the receipt of a call. When the telephone rings, a 100- to 120-V ring signal breaks over NE1, and causes SCR1 to trigger. This causes LED1 to light until the SCR1 is turned off by depressing S1.

## PHONE-IN-USE INDICATOR

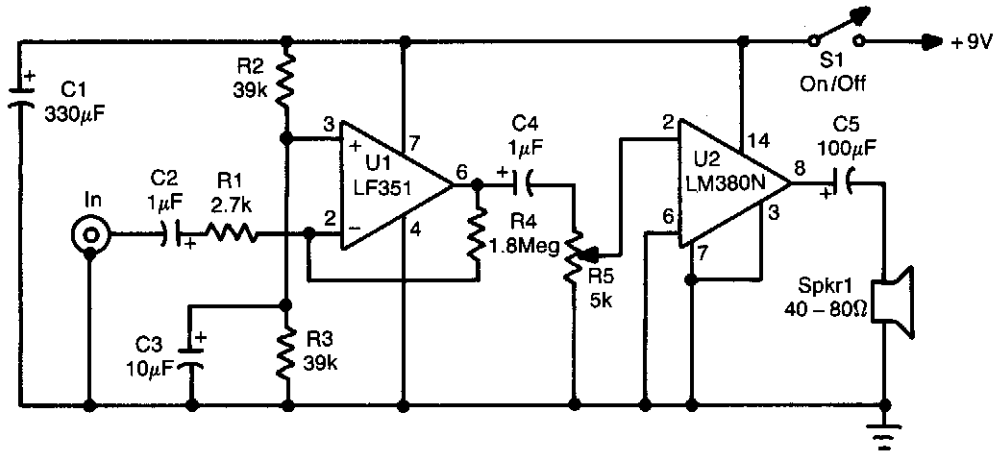


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Fig. 86-16

The circuit receives its power from a 15-V wall adapter (not shown). The circuit takes advantage of the fact that the phone line voltage drops from 48 to 10 V when an extension is taken off the hook. When the voltage on a line drops, the optoisolator/coupler is turned off so that the inputs to the line-1 hexinverters (U2 pins 1, 3, and 5) float high. The corresponding outputs (U2 pins 2, 4, and 6) go low and light the line-1 LEDs.

## TELEPHONE AMPLIFIER

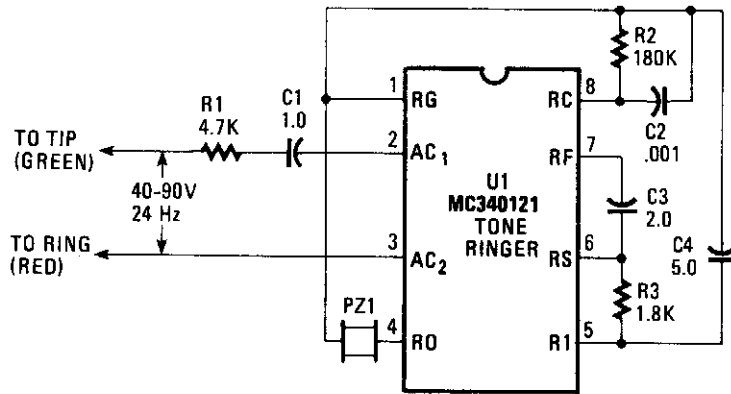


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Fig. 86-17

This amplifier can be used in telephone work or where a simple speech amplifier is required. The frequency response can be varied by the value of  $C_2$ ,  $C_4$ , and addition of a capacitor across  $R_4$  ( $\approx 33$  pF for voice band) to limit the HF response.

## EXTENSION PHONE RINGER

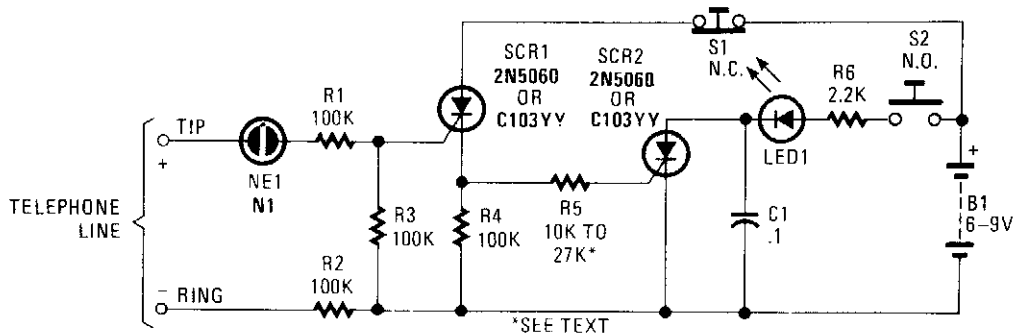


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Fig. 86-18

The ac ringing voltage (typically 40 to 90 V at 26 Hz) is rectified by U1, the tone-ringer IC, and is used to drive that IC's internal tone-generator circuitry. The tone-generator IC includes a relaxation oscillator (with a base frequency of 500, 1 000, or 2 000 Hz) and frequency dividers that produce the high- and low-frequency tones, as well as the tone-warble frequency. An on-board amplifier feeds a 20-V<sub>pp</sub> signal to the transducer.

## TELEPHONE VISUAL RING INDICATOR



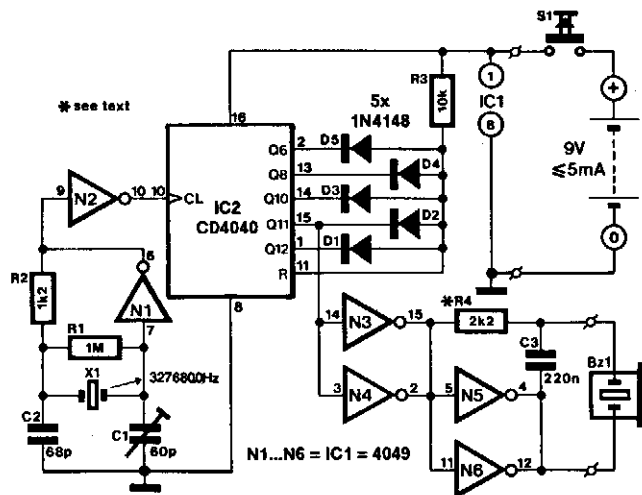
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Fig. 86-19

In this circuit, the ringing voltage on a telephone line causes NE-1 to break over, triggering SCR1, which in turn triggers SCR2. If a call has been received, depressing S2 will cause LED1 to light. Depressing S1 resets the circuit. This circuit has the advantage of lower battery drain because LED1 is not left on continuously after a ring signal, but only when S2 is depressed.



## CALL TONE GENERATOR



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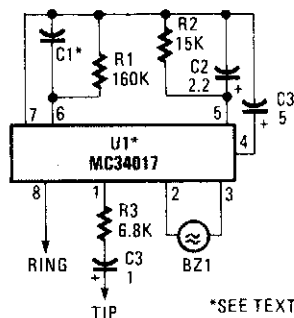
Fig. 86-20

Amateur VHF relay stations are normally actuated by a 1750-Hz call tone. This might give problems if the relevant sending equipment has no internal call-tone generator, if it does not have sufficiently accurate frequencies, or if the tone duration is not long enough to securely energize the relevant relay.

These problems can be overcome by the stand-alone generator described here. Simply placed in front of the microphone, it makes absolutely certain that the relay station is actuated. The generator consists of a quartz oscillator, a frequency counter and a buffer-amplifier—all contained in just two CMOS ICs. It is powered by a 9-V (p-p) battery, from which it draws a current of around 5 mA.

Gates N1 and N2 form an oscillator that is controlled by a 3.27680-MHz crystal and provides clock pulses to IC2, which is connected as a programmable scaler. Diodes D1 through D5 determine the divide factor of 1872. Counter output Q1 provides the wanted 1750-Hz signal, which is buffered by N3 through N6 before being applied to a piezoelectric buzzer. Capacitor C3 suppresses any harmonics, while R4 determines the volume of the output signal.

## REMOTE RINGER



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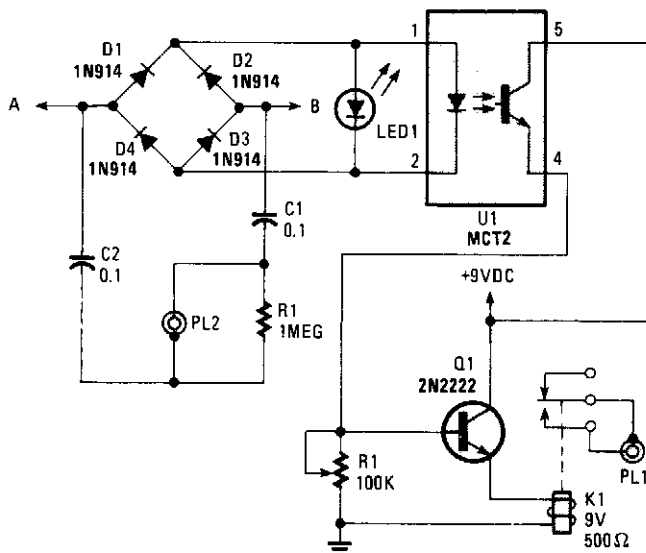
Fig. 86-21

A telephone bell circuit using a Motorola MC34017 can be built from a few components. C1 and U1 depend on the type of ring required.

| U1        | C1      | Ring   |
|-----------|---------|--------|
| MC34017-1 | 1000 pF | 1 kHz  |
| MC34017-2 | 500 pF  | 2 kHz  |
| MC34017-3 | 2000 pF | 500 Hz |

Select the version of MC34017 and C1 from this table.

### TELEPHONE MESSAGE TAKER

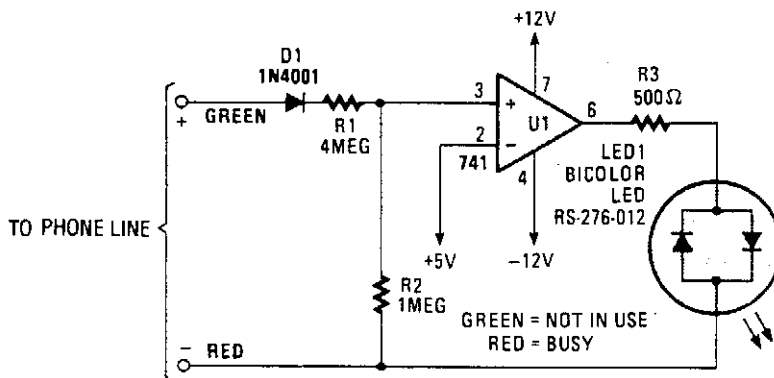


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Fig. 86-22

This circuit operates on the ringing voltage of the telephone to trigger a tape recorder to record messages. K1 can be made to latch using extra contacts if the tape recorder requires a constant-contact closure.

### TELEPHONE LINE-IN-USE INDICATOR

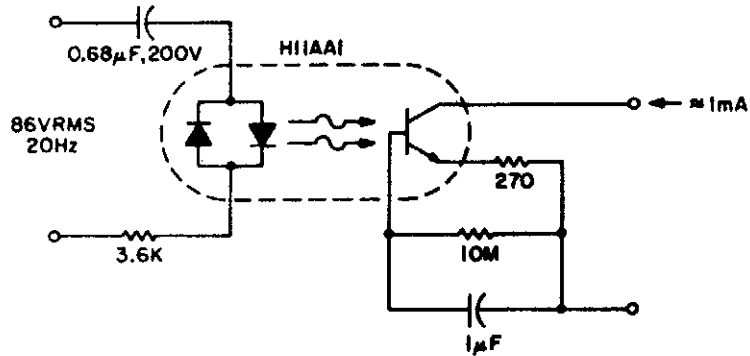


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Fig. 86-23

When a telephone line is not in use, about 48 V appears across the line, which drops to about 10 V or less when the line is in use. This circuit switches a bicolor LED as an indicator.

### SIMPLE RING DETECTOR



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Fig. 86-24

This circuit detects the 20-Hz approximately 86-Vrms ring signal on telephone lines and initiates action in an electrically isolated circuit. Typical applications include automatic answering equipment, interconnect/interface and key systems. The detector is the simplest and provides about a 1-mA signal for a 7-mA line, which loads for 0.1 s after the start of the ring signal. The time-delay capacitor provides a degree of dial-tap and click suppression, and filters out the zero crossing of the 20-Hz wave.

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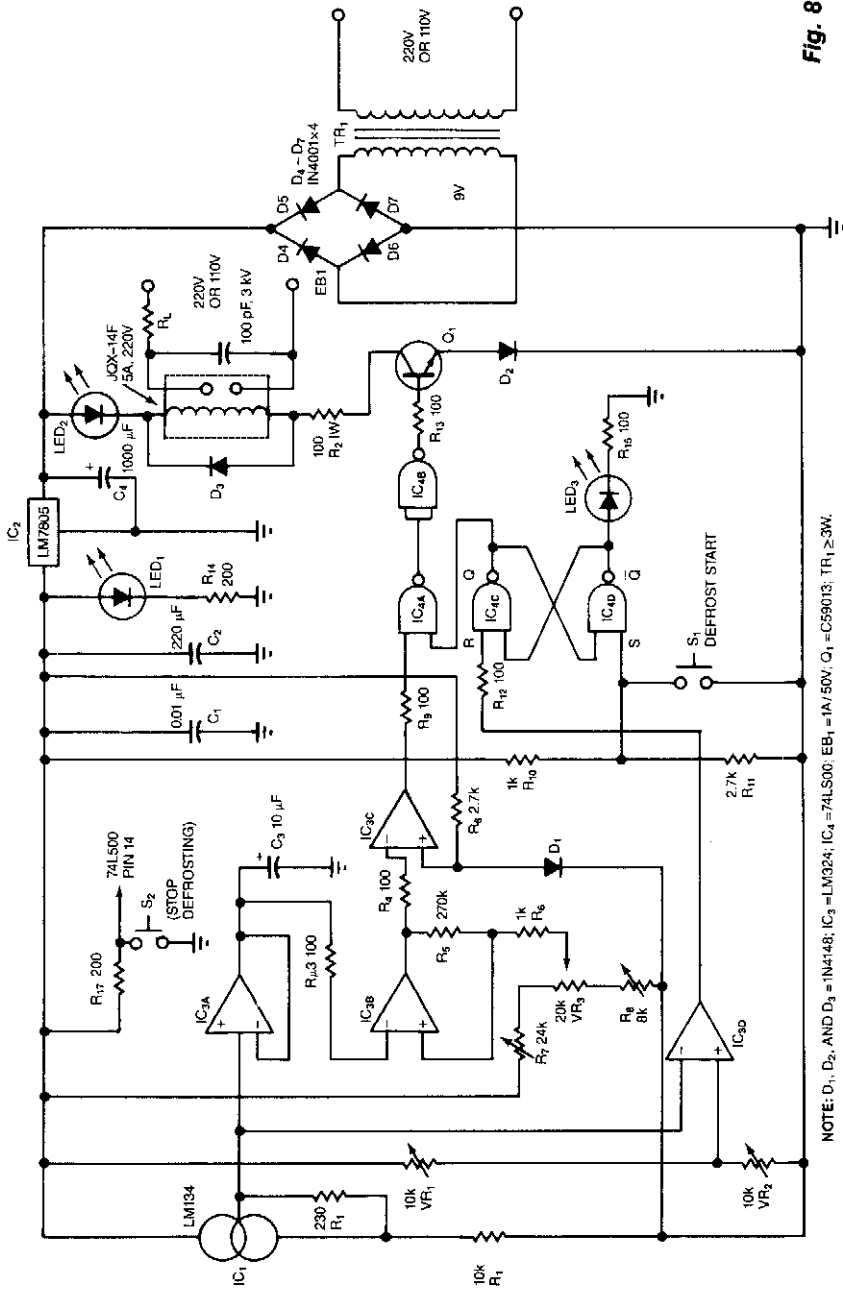
## Temperature Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 679. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Temperature Controller with Defrost Cycle  
Thermocouple Temperature Control  
Temperature Controller

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER WITH DEFROST CYCLE



NOTE: D1, D2, AND D3 = 1N4148; IC3 = LM324; IC4 = 74LS00; EB1 = 1A/50V; Q1 = C99013; TR1 ≥ 3W.

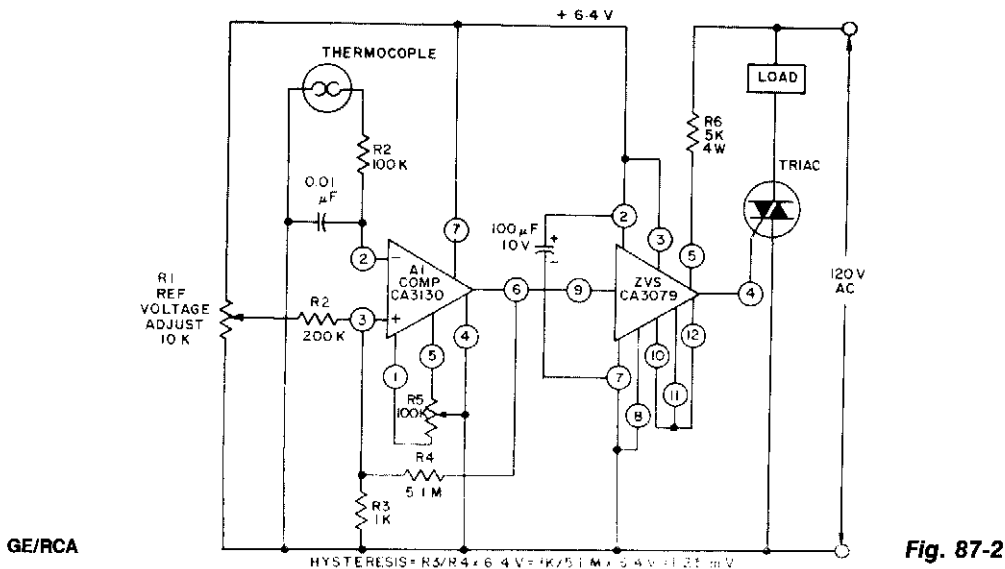
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Fig. 87-1

This temperature controller has a range of  $-50$  to  $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$  and permits defrosting. R7, VR3, and R8 set the controller's trip point. S1 initiates defrosting, S2 cancels defrosting. VR1 and VR2 set the defrost-temperature trip point.

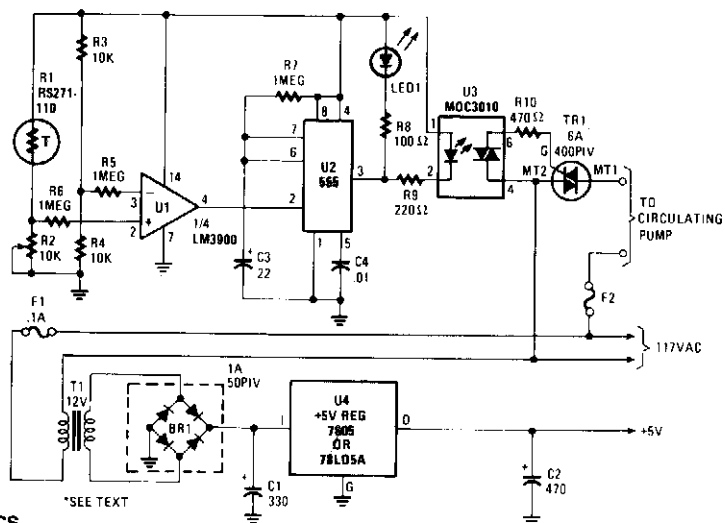
The LM134, IC1, is a thermal sensor. One section of IC3, a quad op amp, buffers the sensor's output. The other section functions as Schmitt trigger and buffer for the normal-cycle circuitry and as a comparator for the defrost-cycle circuitry. If you wish to control a heater rather than a refrigerator, omit the final inverter in Q1's base circuit. You must select LM7805s that have outputs between 4.95 and 5.05 V, or the circuit might not work.

## THERMOCOUPLE TEMPERATURE CONTROL



This control, with zero-voltage load switching, uses a CA3130 BiMOS op amp and a CA3079 zero-voltage switch. The CA3130, used as a comparator, is ideal because it can “compare” the low voltages generated by the thermocouple to the adjustable reference voltage over the range of 0 to 20 mV.

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



A thermistor (R1) is compared with a reference (R2) in a Wheatstone-bridge circuit. Comparator U1’s output goes high, which triggers U2. U2 is a delay of about 25 s. After 15 s, LED1 lights, U3 actuates, triac TR1 triggers, and turns on a hot water pump. This system was used with a hot-water heater.

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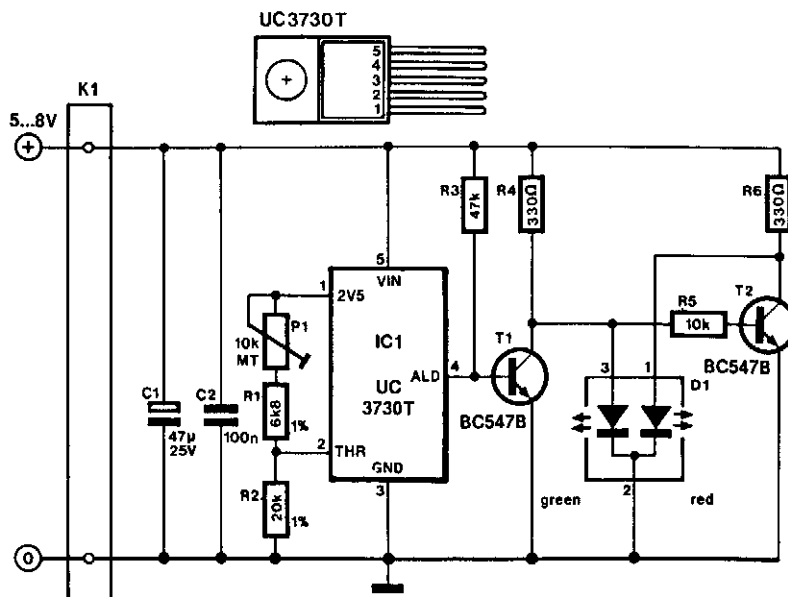
## Temperature Sensors

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 679. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Thermal Monitor
- Simple Temperature Indicator
- Under-Temperature Switch
- Temperature Sensor
- Over-Temperature Switch
- Transistor Sensor Temperature Measurer

## THERMAL MONITOR



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Fig. 88-1

Unitrode's UC1730 family of integrated circuits is designed for use in a number of thermal monitoring applications. Each IC combines a temperature transducer, a precision reference, and a temperature comparator to allow the device to respond with a logic output if temperatures exceed a predetermined level.

The monitor presented here is based on a UC3730T and it is intended to be fitted to a heatsink. Although the supply to the device can be as high as 40 V, 5- to 8-V is chosen here, because it is normally readily available in the equipment where the monitor will be used (power amplifiers, power supplies, etc.).

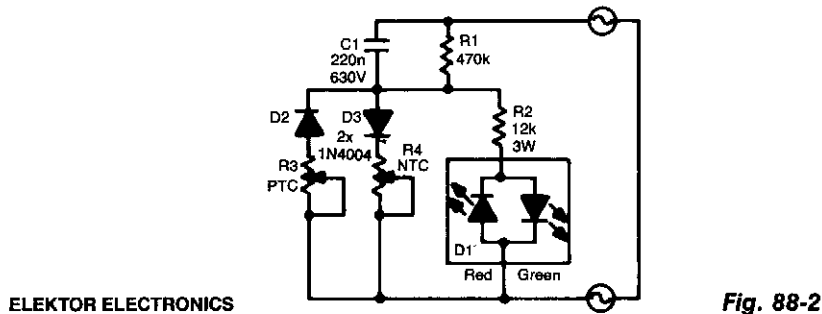
The threshold temperature,  $T_t$ , in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , is determined by:

$$T_t = \frac{2.5R_2}{0.005(R_1 + R_2 + P_1) - 273.15}$$

The temperature can be preset with  $P_1$  to values between  $-1^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $+100^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The indicator is formed by a bicolor LED and controlled by transistors T1 and T2. Resistors R4 and R5 limit the current through the LED. When the temperature of the heatsink is below the threshold temperature, the ALD (alarm delay) output, pin 4, is logic low so that T1 is switched off and the green LED lights.



## SIMPLE TEMPERATURE INDICATOR



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Fig. 88-2

For the absolute measurement of temperatures, a thermometer is indispensable. However, in many situations, an absolute value is not needed and a relative indication is sufficient. It would be a further advantage if a green light would indicate that all is well as far as temperature is concerned. As the temperature rises, the light should change color slowly to indicate that the equipment is getting too hot.

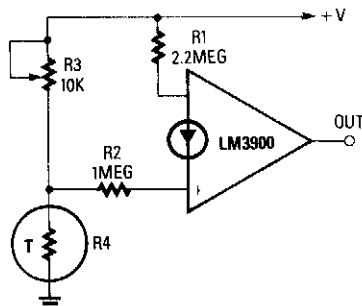
This circuit does this and works directly from the mains. The indicator proper is a two-color LED (D1), while the sensor is a combination of a negative-temperature coefficient (NTC) and a positive-temperature coefficient (PTC) resistor (R4 and R3, respectively).

At a relatively low temperature, the value of  $R_3$  is low and that of  $R_4$  is high. During the positive half cycle of the mains voltage, a voltage will exist across  $R_3/D_2$  that is sufficiently high to cause the green section of D1 to light. The value of  $R_3$  has been chosen to ensure that during the negative half cycle of the mains voltage, the potential across it is too low to cause the red section of D1 to light.

If the temperature rises, the value of  $R_4$  diminishes and that of  $R_3$  rises. Slowly, but surely, the green section will light with lesser and lesser brightness. At the same time, the red section lights with greater and greater brightness until ultimately only the red section will light.

Resistor R2 and capacitor C1 ensure that the current drawn by the LEDs does not become too large. This arrangement keeps the dissipation relatively low. Both R3 and R4 should be of reasonable dimensions—approximately 6 mm in diameter, not less. At 25°C, the NTC must be 22 to 25 k $\Omega$  and the PTC must be 25 to 33  $\Omega$ . The circuit should be treated with great care because it carries the full mains voltage.

## UNDER-TEMPERATURE SWITCH

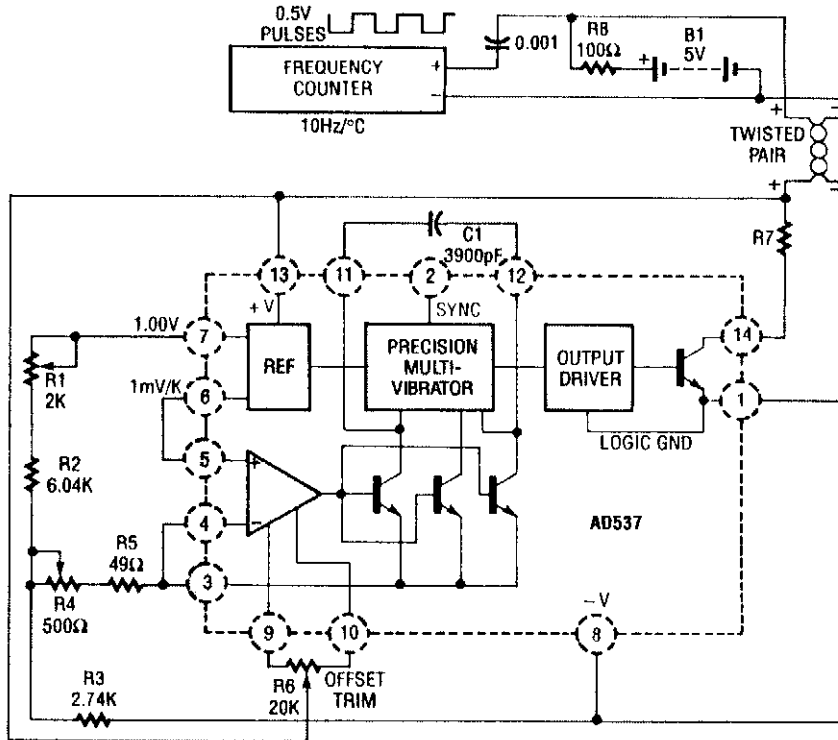


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Fig. 88-3

The reference current is fed from the supply voltage via R1, to the inverting terminal, and the variable (noninverting) current is supplied from the junction of R3 and R4. Because the value of  $R_1$  is approximately double that of  $R_2$ , and generates a current that is proportional to the supply voltage, the trip temperature (preset via R3) is independent of the supply voltage.

## TEMPERATURE SENSOR

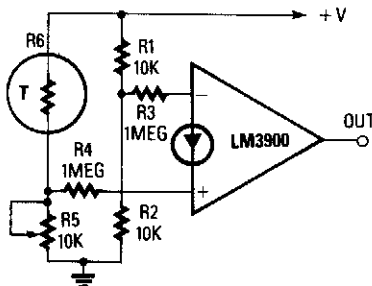


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Fig. 88-4

The AD537 uses its two reference outputs—one fixed at 1 V, the other of which varies with temperature (1 mV per °K). At 0°C, the 1-V reference multiplied by 0.273 will balance this voltage and produce a zero output. The scale in this circuit is 10 Hz/°C. Output from, as well as power to, the circuit, is fed via a two-wire twisted pair. A frequency counter is used as a readout.

## OVER-TEMPERATURE SWITCH

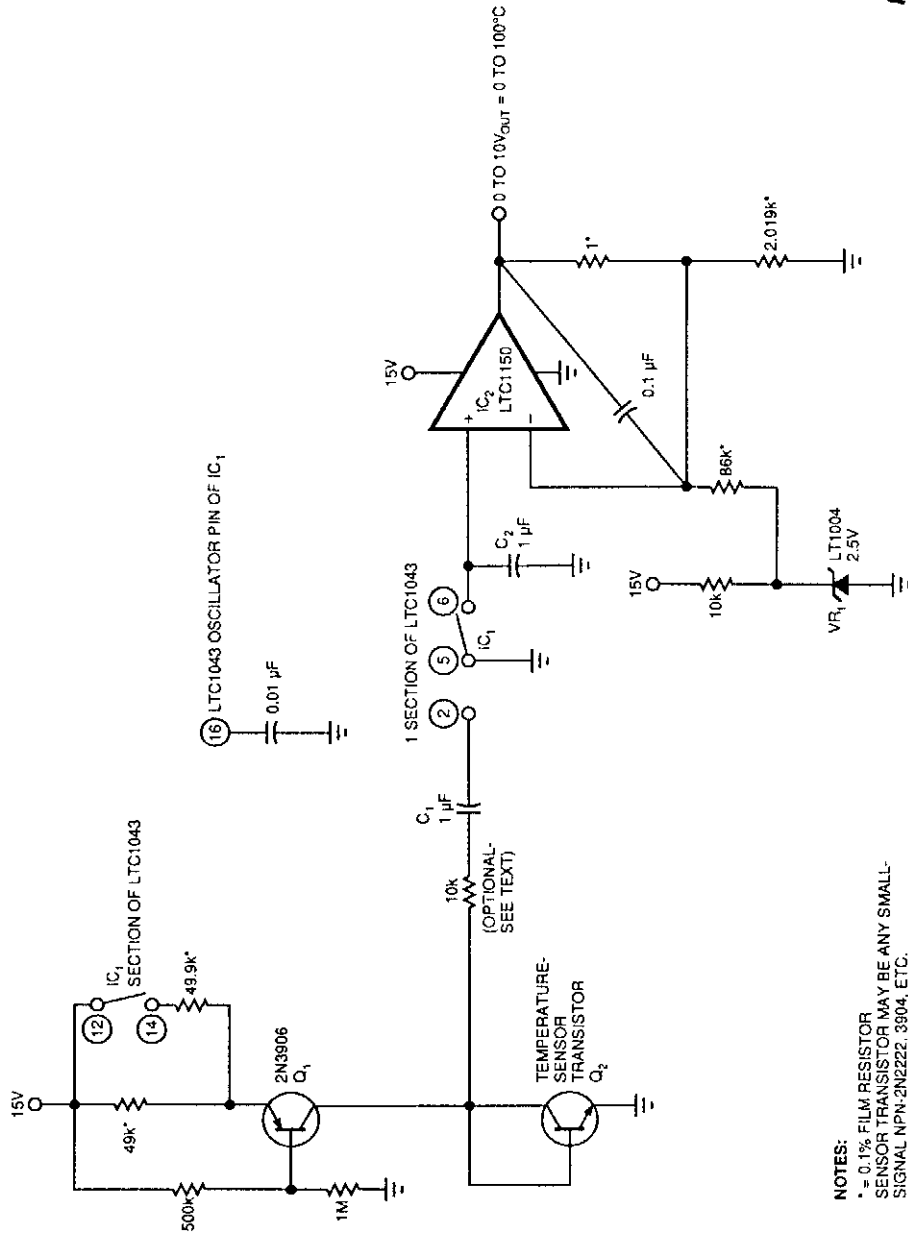


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Fig. 88-5

The output goes high when a preset temperature is exceeded. A fixed half-supply reference voltage feeds a reference current to the inverting input, and a variable current is fed to the noninverting input. Resistor R6 is a negative-temperature-coefficient (NTC) thermistor, so the potential at the junction of R5 and R6 rises with temperature. The op amp will switch high when that voltage exceeds the half-supply value. The trip temperature can be preset via R5.

# TRANSISTOR SENSOR TEMPERATURE MEASURER



NOTES:  
 \* = 0.1% FILM RESISTOR  
 \*\* = SENSOR TRANSISTOR MAY BE ANY SMALL-SIGNAL NPN-2N2222, 3904, ETC.

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Fig. 88-6

Using the fact that the  $V_{BE}$  of a transistor shifts 59.16 mV per decade of current at 25°C. This constant is 0.33%/°C. This  $V_{BE}$ -vs.-current relationship holds true regardless of the  $V_{BE}$  absolute value. IC, an LT1043, acts as an oscillator and switches a current source (Q1) at a 10:1 ratio. The stepped 10:1 current drive is translated to temperature by IC2, Q2, and the associated components. Accuracy is  $\pm 1\%$ . No compensation is needed if Q2 is changed.

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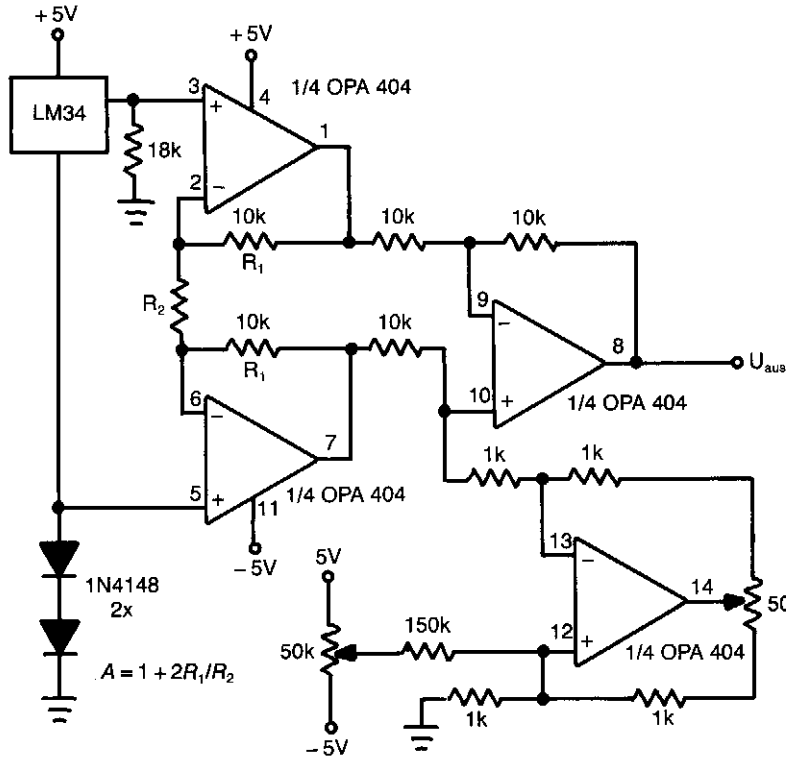
## Thermometer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 679. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Inexpensive Linear Thermometer  
Electronic Thermometer  
Single-dc Supply Thermometer  
Electronic Thermometer  
High-Accuracy Thermometer

## INEXPENSIVE LINEAR THERMOMETER



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Fig. 89-1

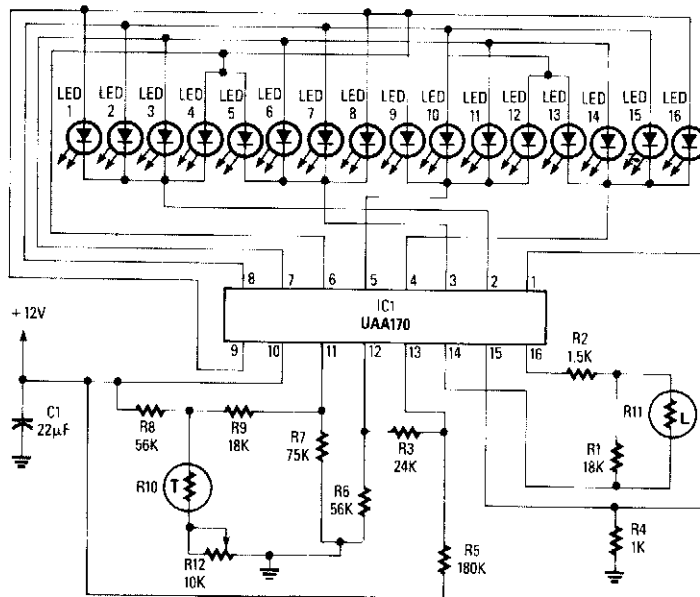
As a sensor in the design of this linear thermometer, the LM34 is used. The output is the difference between two base-emitter voltages  $\Delta V_{EB}$  of two transistors operated at different collector-current densities. The voltage difference ( $\Delta V_{EB}$ ) is:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta V_{EB} &= V_{EB1} - V_{EB2} \\ &= \frac{kT}{q} \ln(I_{C1}/I_{C2})\end{aligned}$$

where the current densities are  $I_{C1}$  and  $I_{C2}$ ,  $k$  is Boltzmann's constant, and  $q$  is the electron charge. Because all factors, including the ratio  $I_{C1}/I_{C2}$  are constant, the output of the LM34 (National Semiconductor) is a linear function of  $T$  in the range over  $-50^\circ$  to  $300^\circ\text{F}$ , which provides the output voltage of  $10\text{ mV}/^\circ\text{F}$  with a max. nonlinearity of  $\pm 0.35^\circ\text{F}$ .

The output of the LM34 is amplified by a three-op-amp instrumentation amplifier. The fourth op amp gives the possibility to control the offset voltage of the amplifier. The gain  $A$  of the instrumentation amplifier can be set to any desired value by the choice of the resistance  $R_2$  only.

## ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER

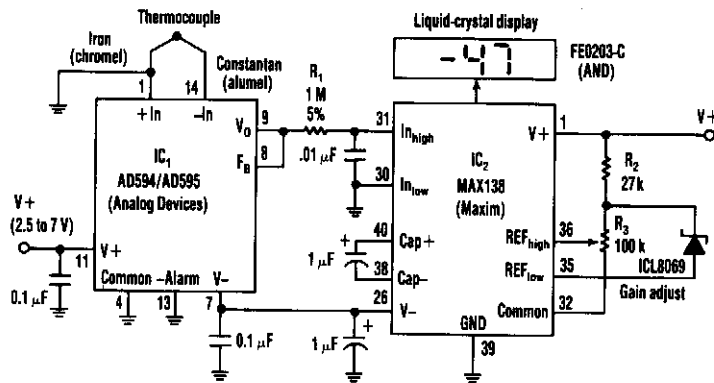


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Fig. 89-2

This thermometer uses an NTC thermistor (R10) to produce a dc voltage that decreases with temperature, to drive an IC that lights one of the 16 LEDs as a function of this voltage. R11 is a light-dependent resistor that adjusts the LED brightness as a function of ambient light.

## SINGLE-dc SUPPLY THERMOMETER

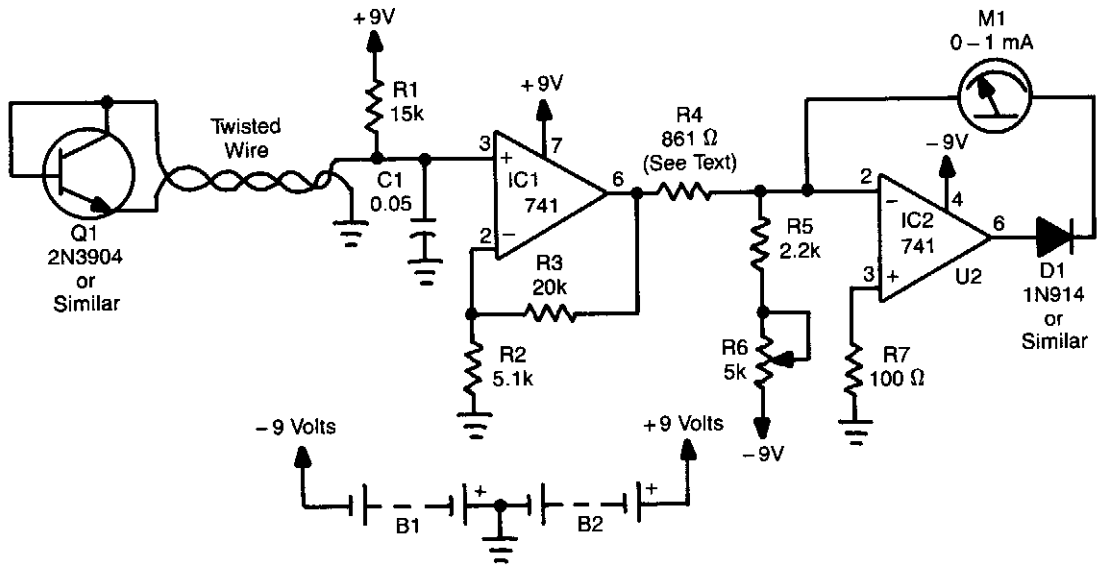


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Fig. 89-3

Using a J-type thermocouple, this circuit can indicate temperatures from  $-350^{\circ}$  to  $400^{\circ}$  with a 6-V supply or  $-50$  to  $+100^{\circ}$  with a 3-V lithium battery. The AD954 produces 10 mV/ $^{\circ}$ C output to the MAX 138 digital voltmeter chip, which drives the LCD display.

## ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER



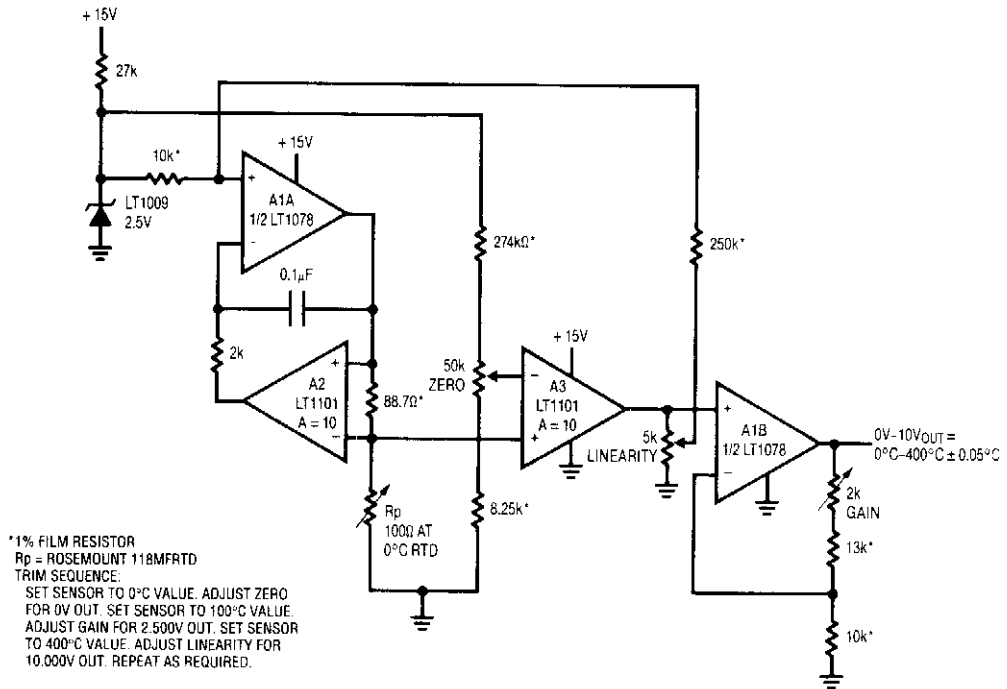
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**Fig. 89-4**

This thermometer is capable of measuring temperatures from  $-30$  to  $+120^{\circ}\text{F}$ . A diode-connected 2N3904 transistor forms a voltage divider with R1. The transistor is used as the temperature sensor and, for best results, it should be connected to the rest of the circuit with twisted wire, as shown. As temperature increases, the voltage drop across the transistor changes by approximately  $-1.166 \text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{F}$ . As a result, the current at pin 3 of IC1, a 741 op amp with a gain of 5, decreases as the temperature measured by the sensor increases. A second 741 op amp, IC2, is configured as an inverting amplifier.

Resistors R5 and R6 are used to calibrate the current. At a temperature of about  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$ , the current through R4 (formed by connecting a 910- and a 1600- $\Omega$  resistor in parallel) should equal the current through R5 and R6. A temperature of  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$  will result in a meter reading of 0 mA, while a temperature of  $120^{\circ}\text{F}$  will result in a meter reading of 1 mA. Divide the scale between those points into equal segments and mark the divisions with the appropriate corresponding temperatures. If you divide it into 150 equal segments, for instance, each division will equal one degree. Calibration is completed by placing the sensor in an environment with a known temperature, such as in an ice-point bath. The freezing point of water is approximately  $32^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Verify that the temperature is indeed  $32^{\circ}\text{F}$  using another thermometer that is known to be accurate. Then, simply place the sensor in the bath and adjust R6 until you get the correct meter reading.

## HIGH-ACCURACY THERMOMETER



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Fig. 89-5

This circuit combines a current source and a platinum RTD bridge to form a complete high-accuracy thermometer. The ground-referred RTD sits in a bridge that is composed of the current drive and the LT1009 biased resistor string. The current drive allows the voltage across the RTD to vary directly with its temperature-induced resistance shift. The difference between this potential and that of the opposing bridge leg forms the bridge output. The RTD's constant drive forces the voltage across it to vary with its resistance, which has a nearly linear positive temperature coefficient. The nonlinearity could cause several degrees of error over the circuit's 0°C – 400°C operating range.

The bridge's output is fed to instrumentation amplifier A3, which provides differential gain, while simultaneously supplying nonlinearity correction. The correction is implemented by feeding a portion of A3's output back to A1's input via the 10- to 250-kΩ divider. This causes the current supplied to  $R_p$  to slightly shift with its operating point, compensating sensor nonlinearity to within  $\pm 0.05^\circ\text{C}$ . A1B, providing additional scaled gain, furnishes the circuit output. To calibrate this circuit, follow the procedure given in the diagram.



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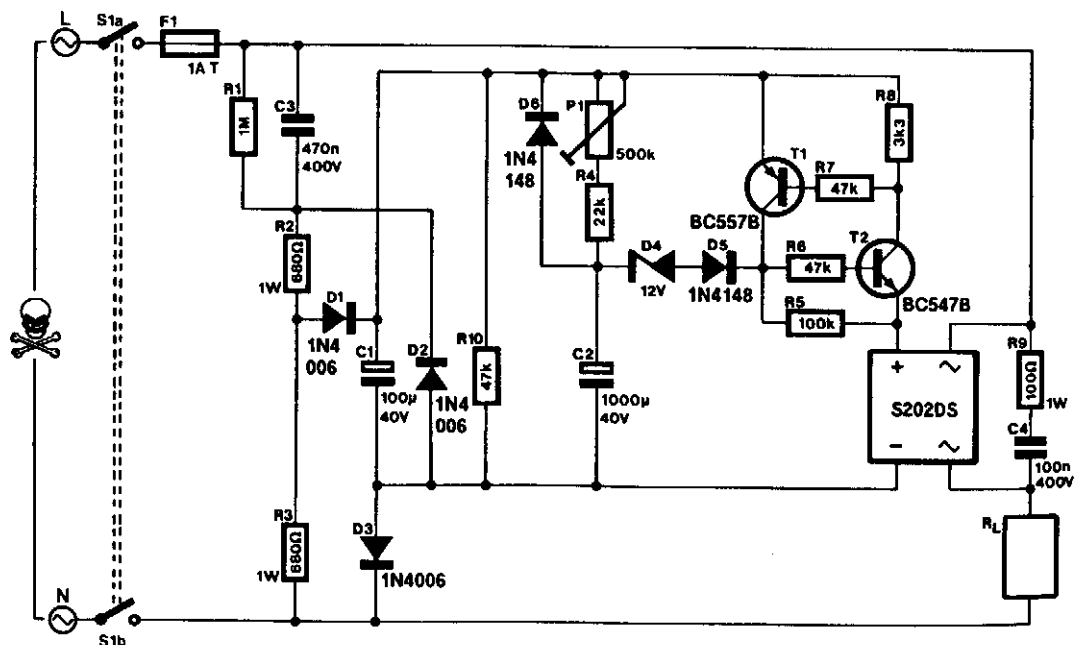
## Timers

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Mains-Powered Timer  
Transmit Time Limiter  
Long-Interval Programmable Timer  
Programmable Timer for Long Intervals  
Appliance Cutoff Timer  
SCR Timer  
Watchdog Timer/Alarm  
10-Minute ID Timer  
Adjustable Timer  
Long-Duration Time Delay  
Time-Out Circuit

## MAINS-POWERED TIMER



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Fig. 90-1

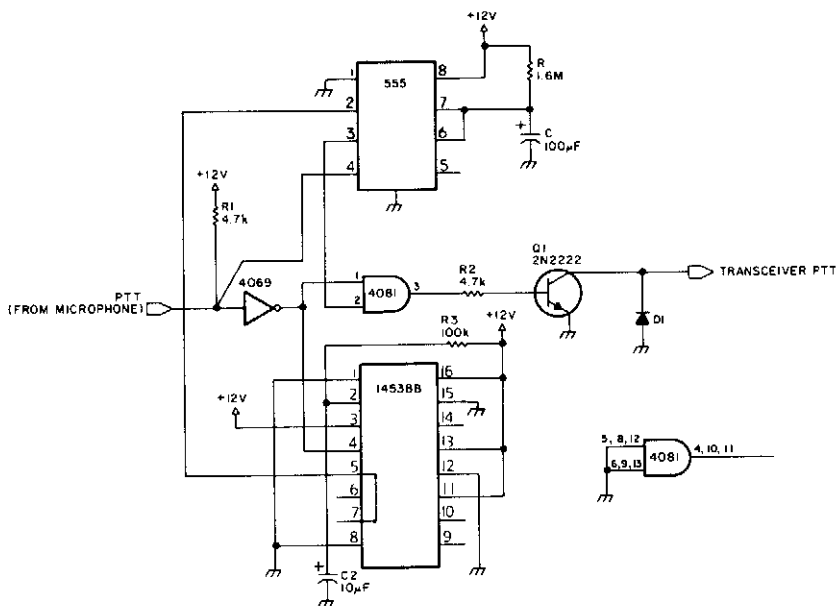
This timer can be inserted in a power line to provide a controllable delay before a load is energized. The mains voltage is reduced by C3 and rectified to give about 30 V across C1. This potential charges C2 slowly via R4/P1. When  $U_{C2}$  reaches about 14 V, electronic switch T1/T2 actuates a solid-state relay (a Sharp S202DS). When the mains voltage is removed, C2 discharges rapidly via D6 and R10. The delay extends from 15 s (P1 set to minimum resistance) to 5 min (P1 set to maximum resistance).

The solid-state relay needs cooling in accordance with the current drawn by the load: at up to 1 A, no heatsink is required; at 1 to 3 A (max), a 5 × 5 cm heatsink is advisable.

During the building of the circuit, consideration must be given to safety because many parts will be at mains potential. For instance, fitting the unit in an ABS or other man-made fiber enclosure is a must. If a potentiometer is used for P1, its spindle should be insulated. If a preset is used, it must not be accessible through a hole in the enclosure.

Switch S1 is a DPST that disconnects the circuit from the mains. Nevertheless, the only way to safely work on the circuit is to unplug the mains socket and allow C3 sufficient discharge time.

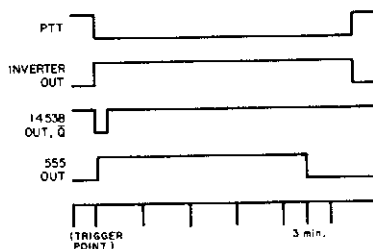
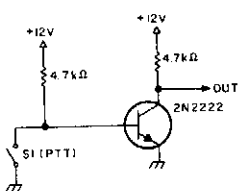
## TRANSMIT TIME LIMITER



### Values for Diverse Duty Cycles

| $T = 1.1RC$ |        |             |
|-------------|--------|-------------|
| $T_s$       | $R_a$  | $C_f$       |
| 180         | 1.6M   | 100 $\mu$ F |
| 150         | 1.3M   | 100 $\mu$ F |
| 120         | 1.1M   | 100 $\mu$ F |
| 90          | 818.2k | 100 $\mu$ F |

180s = 3 min. C > 100 $\mu$ F TYPICALLY  
 150s = 2 1/2 min. REQUIRES MORE  
 120s = 2 min. EXPENSIVE LOW-  
 90s = 1 1/2 min. LEAKAGE  
 (FOR 555 TIMER) CAPACITORS.

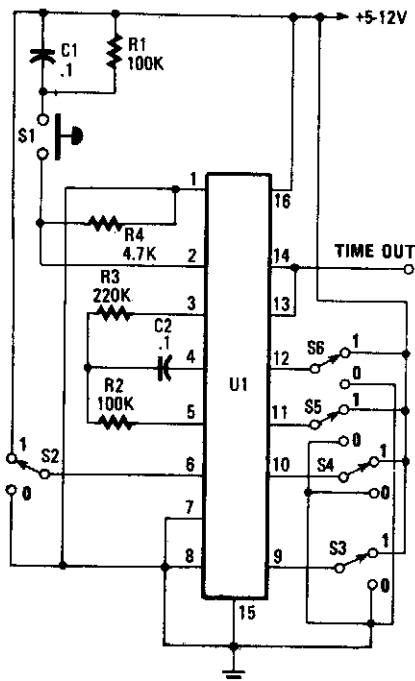


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Fig. 90-2

This circuit prevents making transmissions that are too long, which “time out” repeaters and/or tie up a communications channel too long. On transmit, the PTT (push to talk line) from the microphone is at ground. This causes one input of the AND gate (4081) to go high. The 555 is held in the reset mode. An MC1453B monostable multivibrator generates a pulse to the 555 and causes it to produce a gate of length approximately  $1.1RC$ , where  $R$  is selected for desired time delay and  $C$  is 100  $\mu$ F. The output of pin 3 of the 555 causes the 4081 gate to go high, turns on Q1, and keys the transmitter. At the end of the cycle ( $1.1RC$ ), the AND gate will lose one input, which turns off Q1 and unkeys the transmitter.

## LONG-INTERVAL PROGRAMMABLE TIMER



**These truth tables can be used to set the desired output frequency. Refer to the text for details.**

| BINARY CODE INPUT |          |          |          |         | SELECTED STAGE FOR OUTPUT |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------------------------|
| 8 BYPASS PIN 6    | D PIN 12 | C PIN 11 | B PIN 10 | A PIN 9 |                           |
| 0                 | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0       | 9                         |
| 0                 | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1       | 10                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0       | 11                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 0        | 1        | 1       | 12                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0       | 13                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1       | 14                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0       | 15                        |
| 0                 | 0        | 1        | 1        | 1       | 16                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0       | 17                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1       | 18                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0       | 19                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 0        | 1        | 1       | 20                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0       | 21                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1       | 22                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 1        | 1        | 0       | 23                        |
| 0                 | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1       | 24                        |

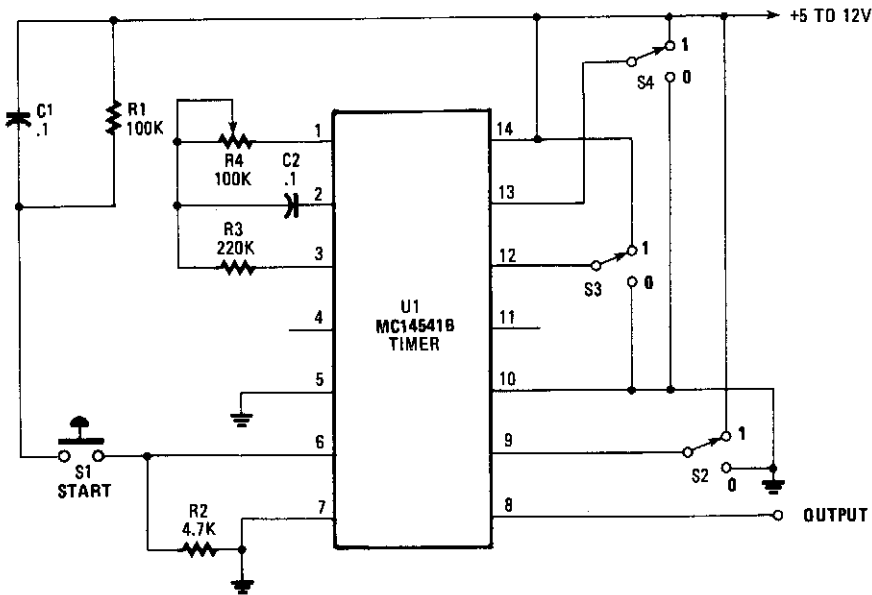
A

| BINARY CODE INPUT |          |          |          |         | SELECTED STAGE FOR OUTPUT |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------------------------|
| 8 BYPASS PIN 6    | D PIN 12 | C PIN 11 | B PIN 10 | A PIN 9 |                           |
| 1                 | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0       | 1                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1       | 2                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0       | 3                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 0        | 1        | 1       | 4                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0       | 5                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1       | 6                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0       | 7                         |
| 1                 | 0        | 1        | 1        | 1       | 8                         |
| 1                 | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0       | 9                         |
| 1                 | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1       | 10                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0       | 11                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 0        | 1        | 1       | 12                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0       | 13                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1       | 14                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 1        | 1        | 0       | 15                        |
| 1                 | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1       | 16                        |

B

Using an RC oscillator, an up to 24-stage ripple counter ( $\div$ ) 16777216 or  $2^{24}$ , and a 0.1-Hz count-rate with  $R_2 = 39 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C_2 = 0.001 \mu\text{F}$ , and  $R_4 = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$  for example, the count cycle would take about 654 s. This example shows the capabilities of this time circuit, using the Motorola MC14536 timer. A low-frequency oscillator can be used for longer time periods.

## PROGRAMMABLE TIMER FOR LONG INTERVALS



**COUNTER SELECTOR CHART**

| PIN 12 | PIN 13 | NUMBER OF<br>COUNTER<br>STAGES<br>(N) | COUNT<br>2 <sup>N</sup> |
|--------|--------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0      | 0      | 13                                    | 8192                    |
| 0      | 1      | 10                                    | 1024                    |
| 1      | 0      | 8                                     | 256                     |
| 1      | 1      | 16                                    | 65536                   |

*The inputs at pins 12 and 13 of the MC14415 programmable counter determine the number of counter stages selected, and therefore the count.*

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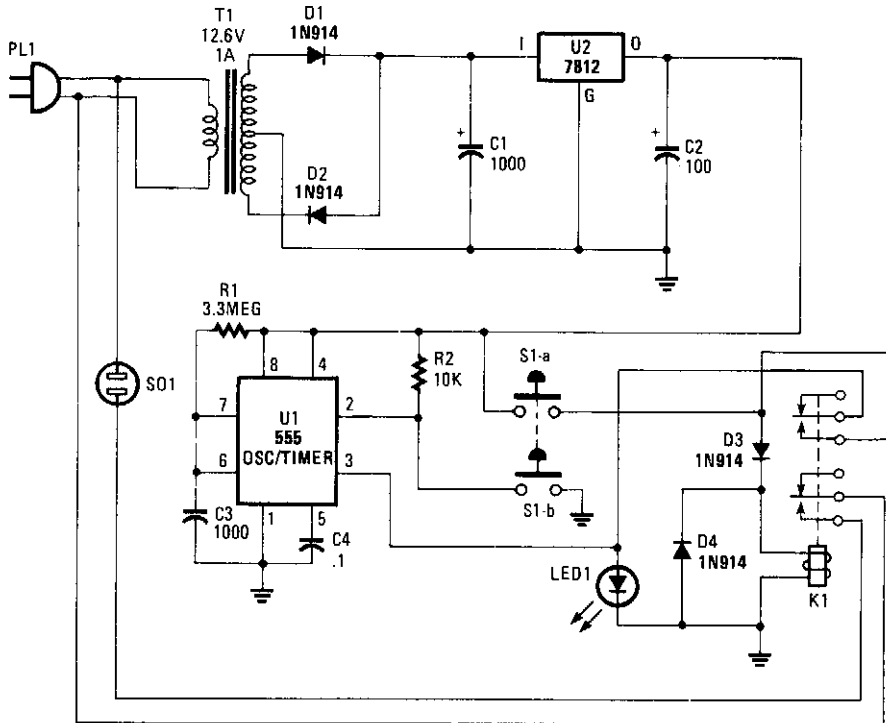
**Fig. 90-4**

By using an RC oscillator and a programmable divider, this counter can run for hours. An interval oscillator runs at a frequency given by (see figure schematic):

$$f = \frac{1}{2.3 R_4 C_2} \text{ and } R_3 \approx 2R_2$$

By using, for example,  $R_4 = 390 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $C_2 = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$  and  $R_2$ , the oscillator can run at 0.1 Hz. Divided by 65536, this is a cycle of approximately 655 000 s (182 hours, slightly more than a week).

### APPLIANCE CUTOFF TIMER

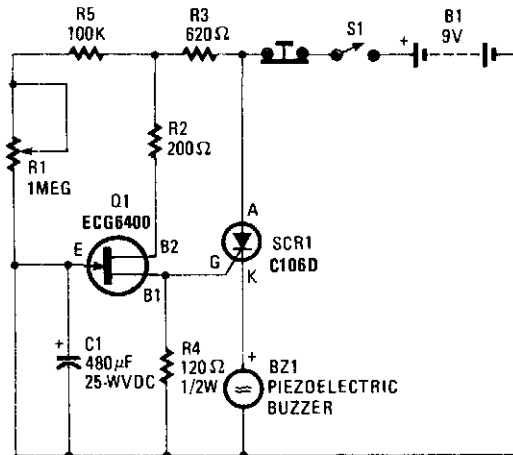


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Fig. 90-5

Suitable for cutting off an appliance or other ac load, this timer will cut the ac power after a period determined by R1/C3, as shown, for about 40 minutes. K1 is a relay that should handle about 10 A. S1A and S1B is a momentary switch that starts the timer cycle.

### SCR TIMER

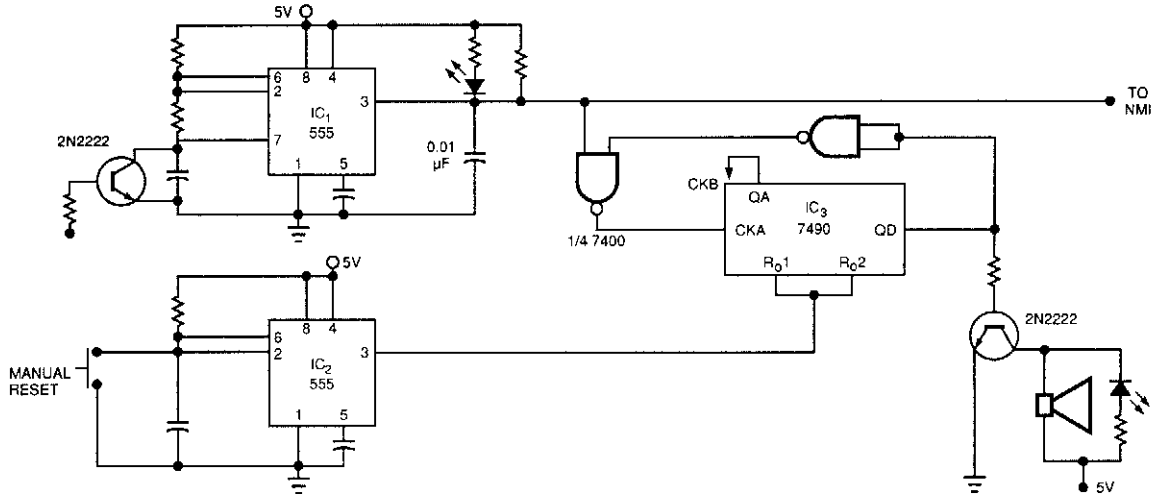


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Fig. 90-6

Depending on the R1 (adjustable) C1 time constant, when C1 charges up to a certain level, Q1 conducts, triggers SCR1, and sounds BZ1. A push-button resets the circuit.

## WATCHDOG TIMER/ALARM



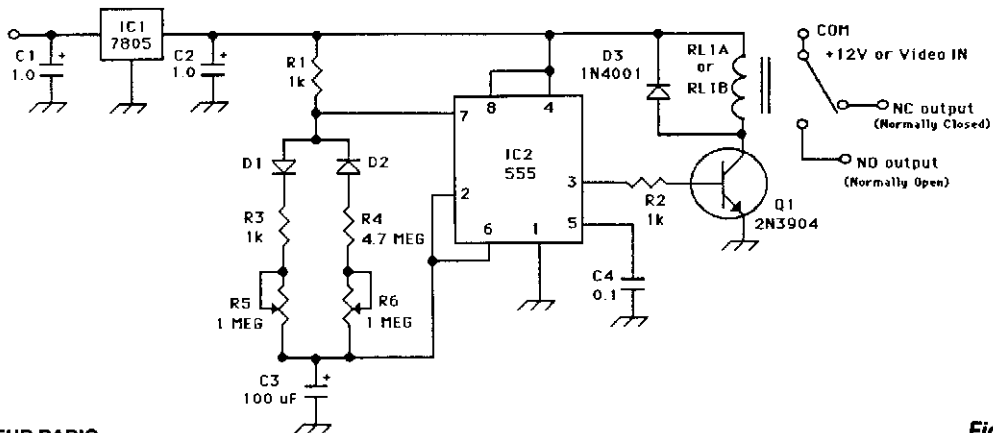
**Fig. 90-7**

EDN

The watchdog timer contains a counter, IC3, in addition to the usual retriggerable 555 timer, IC1. The counter will sound an audible alarm if the watchdog timer tries to reset the  $\mu P$  a certain number of times (8, in the case of the counter). The alarm indicates that despite numerous resets, the system  $\mu P$  has failed to restart successfully, and the system is truly dead.

A second 555 timer, IC2, resets the counter, IC3, for the duration of the manual system restart. The design could be modified so that system  $\mu P$  resets the counter.

## 10-MINUTE ID TIMER

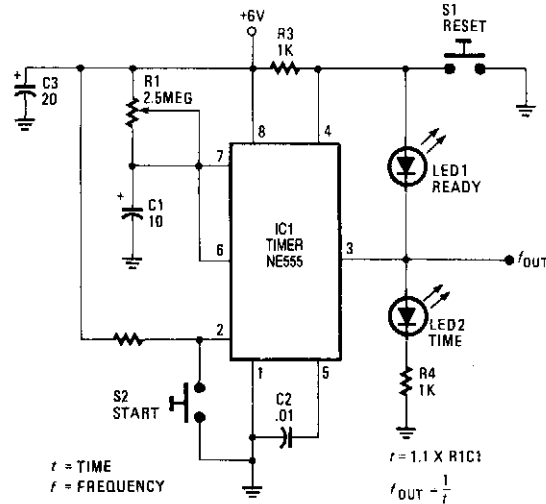


**Fig. 90-8**

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Designed to automatically identify a transmitter every 10 minutes, this 555 circuit has adjustable charge and discharge paths. The IC should be a standard 555 type, not a CMOS type. C3 should be tantalum. The relay is a small 5-V reed type.

## ADJUSTABLE TIMER

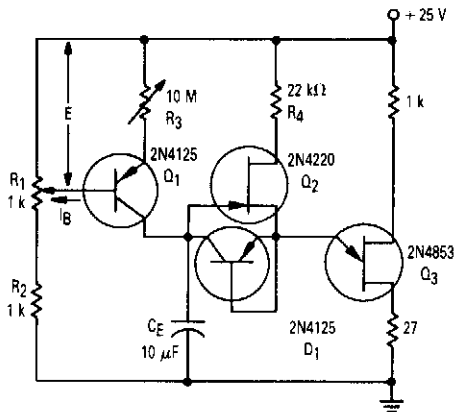


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Fig. 90-9

LEDs indicate at a glance what the status of the circuit is at any given moment. Once the reset switch, S1, makes contact, the timer remains in that state until the start switch, S2, is pressed. When either switch is activated, LED1 (ready) and the time indicator, LED2, keep track of the situation. Although not necessary, the two LEDs should be of different colors (for example, red for "ready" and green for "time").

## LONG-DURATION TIME DELAY



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Fig. 90-10

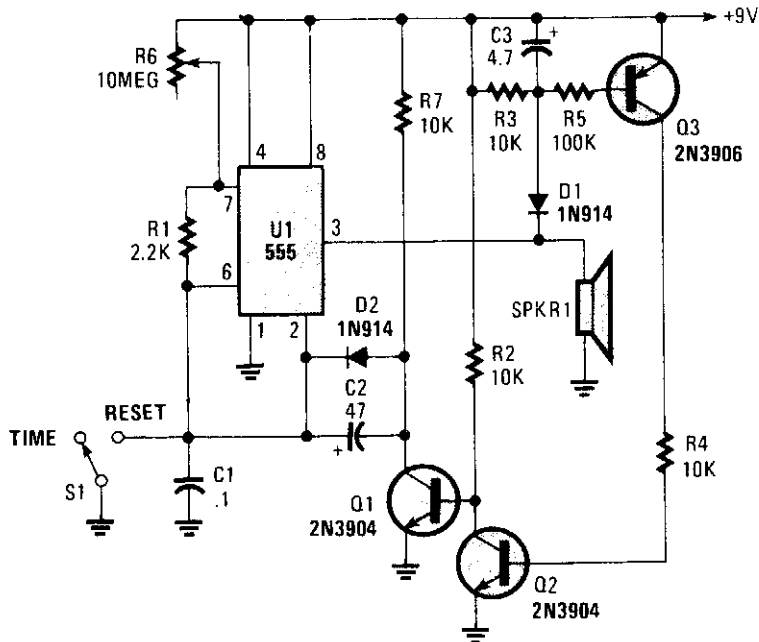
Transistor Q1 and resistors R1, R2, and R3 form a constant current source and the charge current might be adjusted to be as low as a few

nanoamperes. This current would, of course, not be sufficient to fire the UJT where  $I_p = 0.2 \mu A$ , unless the peak current was supplied from another source. Field-effect transistor Q2, acting as a source follower, supplies the current flowing into the emitter lead prior to firing and diode D1 provides a low-impedance discharge path for  $C_E$ . D1 must be selected to have a leakage that is much lower than the charge current.

Because  $I_B$  is small, the delay time will vary linearly with R3. The voltage ( $E$ ), applied across R3 and the base-emitter junction of Q1, is set by the variable resistor R1. Time delays up to 10 hours are possible with this circuit. Resistor R4, in series with the FET drain terminal, must be large enough not to allow currents in excess of  $I_V$  to flow when the UJT is on. Otherwise, the UJT will not turn off and the circuit will latch up.



## TIME-OUT CIRCUIT



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Fig. 90-11

This circuit operates in the astable mode and at the end of the first period (up to several minutes), it produces a tone. When S1 is placed in the time position, Q3 is cut off because pin 3 of U1 is high and D1 holds Q3 in cutoff. Q2 is off, and Q1 is on, which grounds the negative end of D2 and C2. Therefore, C1 and C2 are returned to ground.

After a time of about  $1.1 R_6 (C_1 + C_2)$ , the timer cycle completes and pin 3 U1 goes low. This turns on Q3 and Q2, cuts off Q1, and effectively disconnects C2. Now, the circuit oscillates with a period determined by R7 and C1, because D2 is forward-biased. A tone is then generated and can be heard from SPKR1. Closing S2 resets the circuit.

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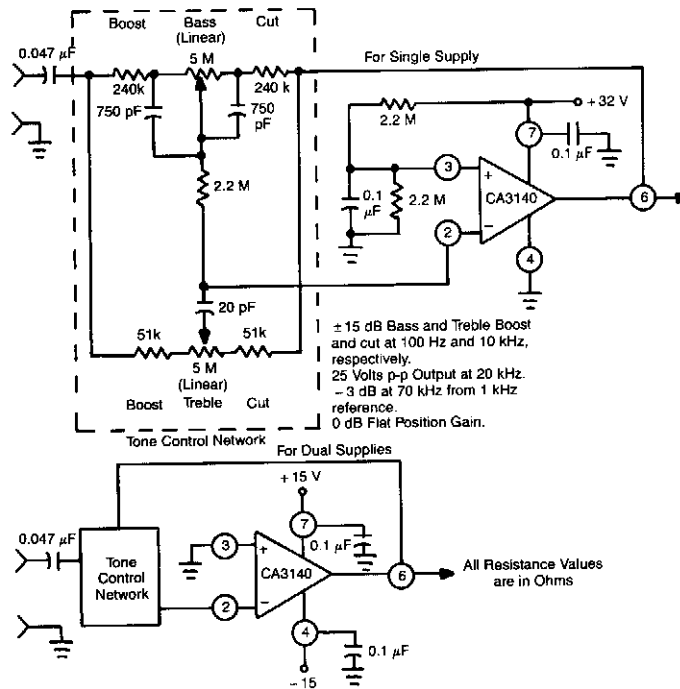
## Tone-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 680. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Baxandall Tone-Control Audio Amplifier  
Active Tone Control  
Tremolo Circuit

## BAXANDALL TONE-CONTROL AUDIO AMPLIFIER



GE/RCA

Fig. 91-1

This circuit exploits the high slew rate, high input impedance, and high output-voltage capability of CA3140 BiMOS op amp. It also provides mid-band unity gain with standard linear potentiometers.

## ACTIVE TONE CONTROL

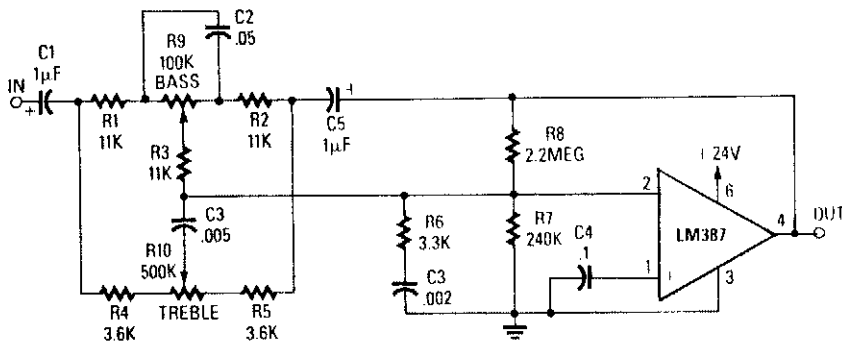
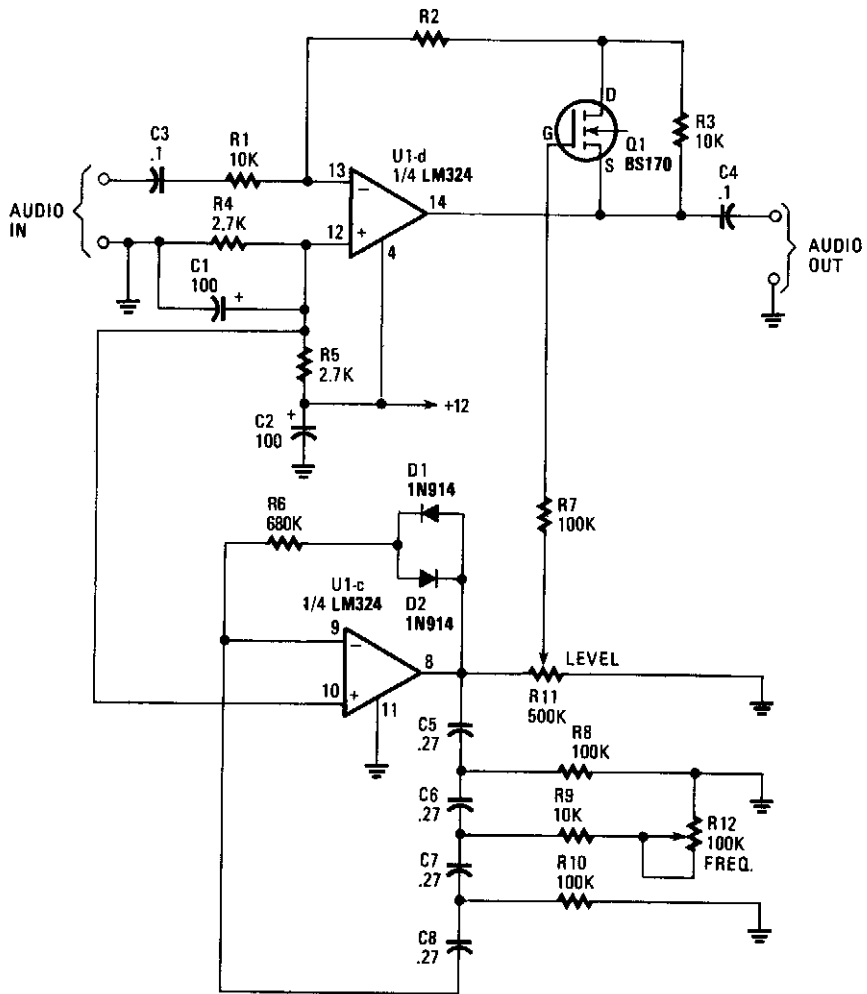


Fig. 91-2

The use of a low noise LM387 in a feedback circuit provides 20-dB boost or rejection of treble and bass. The supply voltage is +24 V.

## TREMOLO CIRCUIT



HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

Fig. 91-3

This circuit adds a VLF AM component to an audio signal. This effect is widely used in musical instruments. U1C, a phase-shift oscillator operating at a few Hz applies a signal to Q1, which modulates the gain of U1D. R11 varies the level of the effect, while R12 varies the frequency.

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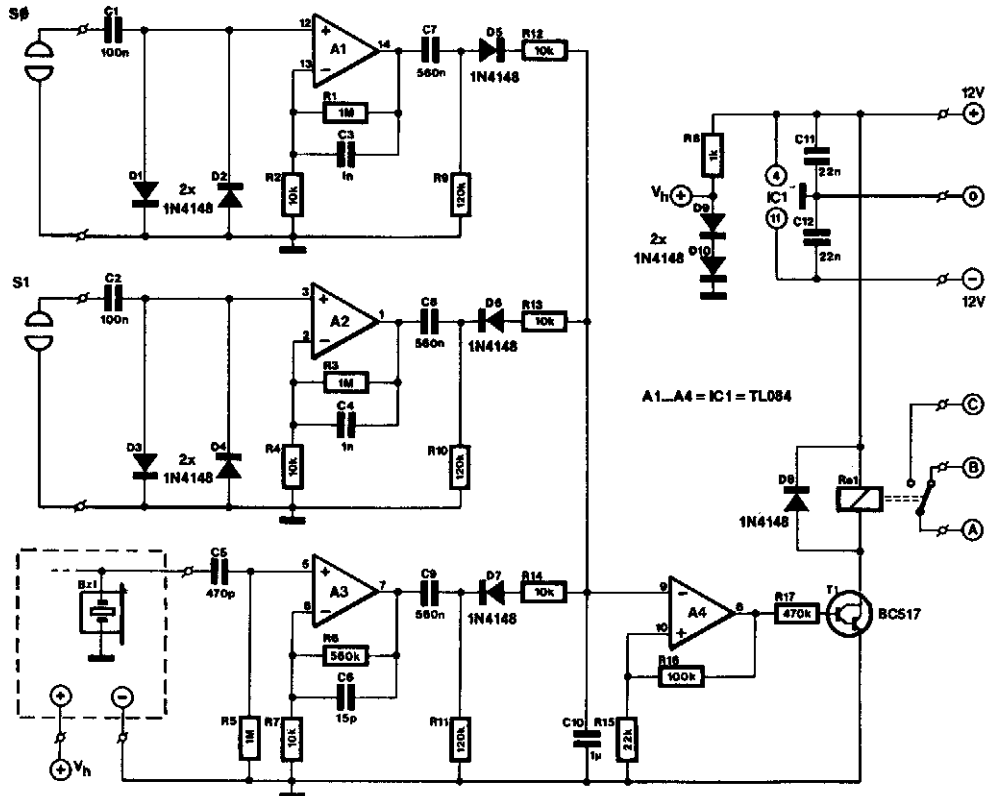
## Touch Controls

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 680. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sensor Switch and Clock  
Touch Switch I  
On/Off Touch Switch  
Touch Switch II  
Hum-Detecting Touch Sensor  
Time-On Touch Switch

## SENSOR SWITCH AND CLOCK



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Fig. 92-1

One TL084 IC and an old quartz watch enable the construction of a deluxe on/off switch. Two of the four op amps contained in the TL084 (A1 and A2) are used to amplify the input signals from the sensors by one hundredfold (with the component values as shown in the diagram). Just touching the sensors with a finger causes a good 50-Hz input signal (hum). Notice that the amplification drops rapidly with rising frequency.

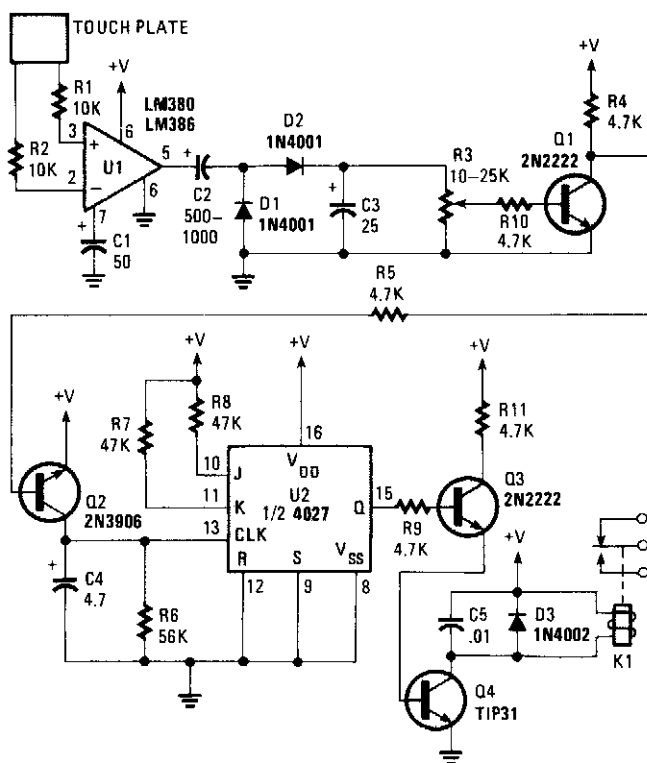
Diodes D5 and D6 rectify (single-phase) the 50-Hz signal. Because the diodes are connected in anti-phase, touching the "off" sensor causes a positive potential across C10, whereas touching the "on" sensor produces a negative potential across C10.

Op amp A4 is connected as an inverting bistable so that a negative potential across C10 causes relay Re1 to be energized. Because of feedback resistor R16, this state is maintained until the other sensor is touched.

The relay can also be energized at a predetermined time with the aid of a quartz watch. The 1.2-V supply for the watch is derived from the voltage drop across diodes D9 and D10; it can be increased to 1.8 V by adding a third diode.

The piezo buzzer in the watch is connected to the input of A3 via C5. As soon as the alarm goes off (the hour signal must be off), the voltage across C10 becomes negative, the relay is energized, and the load is switched on. The circuit, excluding the relay, draws a current of about 20 mA.

## TOUCH SWITCH I



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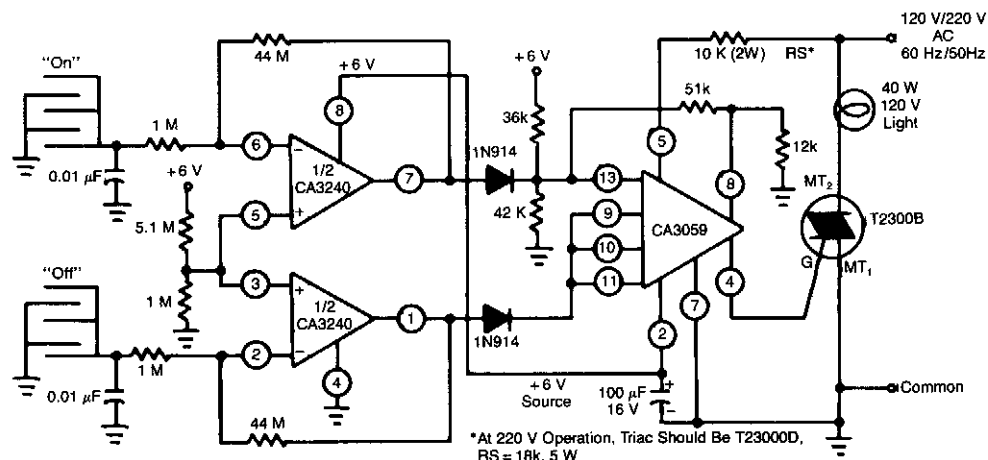
Fig. 92-2

This switch reacts to the touch of a finger to turn lights and/or appliances on or off. The device uses the human body as an antenna to pick up 60-Hz hum, which is applied to a metal plate by your finger. The signal is fed to the input of U1, an LM380 audio-power amplifier. An LM386 should work as well.

The 60-Hz output from the amplifier is rectified by D1 and D2, then filtered by C3. Potentiometer R3 sets the trigger voltage used to saturate Q1. When Q1 turns on, the collector end of R4 goes almost to ground and provides the needed voltage to turn on Q2. Transistor Q2 turns on and clocks. The flip-flop is configured for toggle-mode operation, so its output switches states with each clock pulse.

The 4027 (U2) is wired to toggle by tying the J and K inputs high and the set and resets low. Transistor Q3 is connected to the Q output through the 4.7-k $\Omega$  resistor. Transistor Q3 drives Q4, the relay driver. Be sure that the load does not exceed the relay ratings.

## ON/OFF TOUCH SWITCH

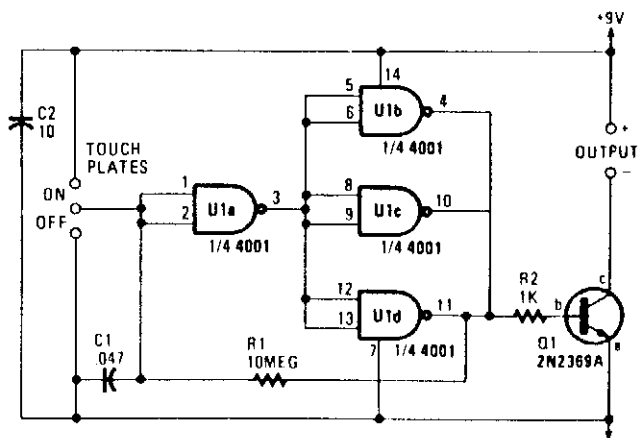


GE/RCA

Fig. 92-3

This circuit uses a CA3240 dual BiMOS op amp to sense small currents flowing between the contact points on a touch plate. The high input impedance of the CA3240 allows the use of 1-M $\Omega$  resistors in series with the touch plates to ensure user safety. A positive output on either pin 7 (ON) or pin 1 (OFF) of the CA3240 actuates the CA3059 zero-voltage switch, which then latches the triac on or turns it off. The internal power supply of the CA3059 powers the CA3240.

## TOUCH SWITCH II



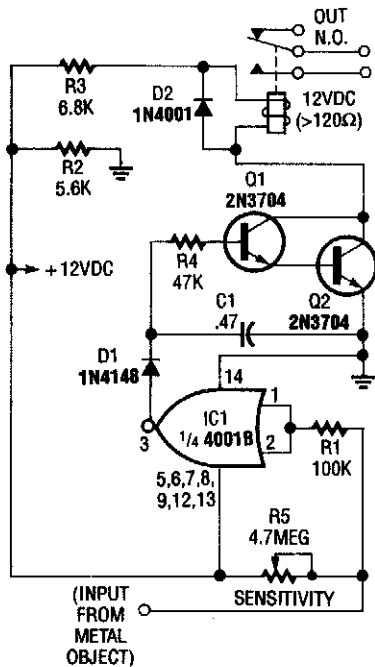
WELLS' THINK TANK

Fig. 92-4

U1A and U1B/U1C/U1D form a bistable multivibrator that drives Q1, which switches the load. Touching the two upper contacts makes Q1 conduct; the two lower contacts cause Q1 to cut off.



## HUM-DETECTING TOUCH SENSOR

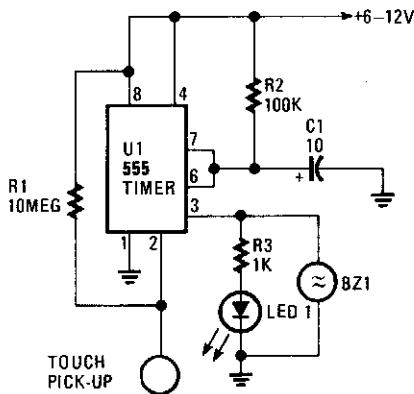


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Fig. 92-5

This touch sensor uses the 60-Hz hum pickup by the human body to drive a detector and relay drivers, Q1 and Q2. R5 controls sensitivity of the circuit.

## TIME-ON TOUCH SWITCH



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Fig. 92-6

The circuit is built around a 555 oscillator (U1), which is turned on when a trigger is applied by touching the touch terminal to pin 2 of U1. When activated, LED1 and BZ1 (a piezoelectric buzzer) turn on for the time period set by the values of  $R_2$  and  $C_1$ . The ON-time of the touch circuit can be altered by changing the values of  $C_1$  and  $R_2$ .

This touch switch can be powered from batteries so that it need not be near a 60-Hz power source for triggering. The extremely small amount of current supplied to the trigger input through the 10-M $\Omega$  resistor, R1, makes the input circuitry very sensitive to any external loading, and it is easily triggered by touching the pickup.

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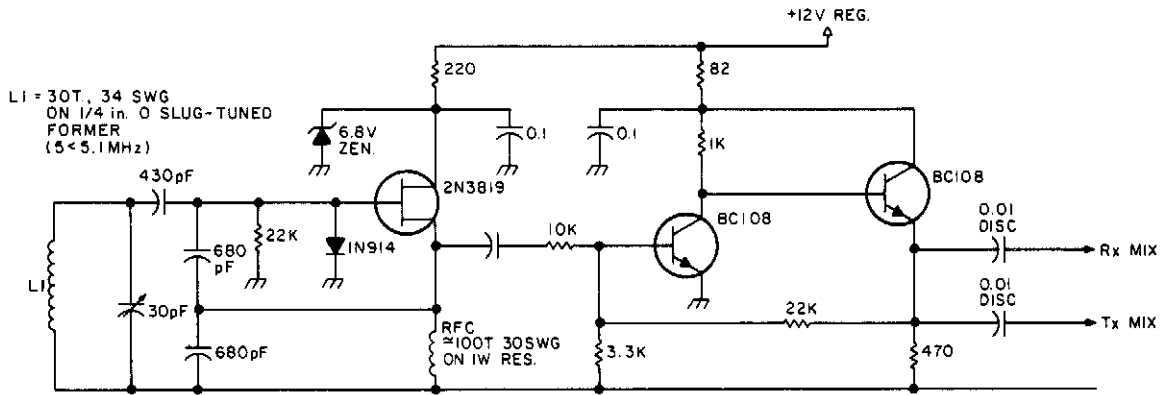
## Transmitters and Transceivers

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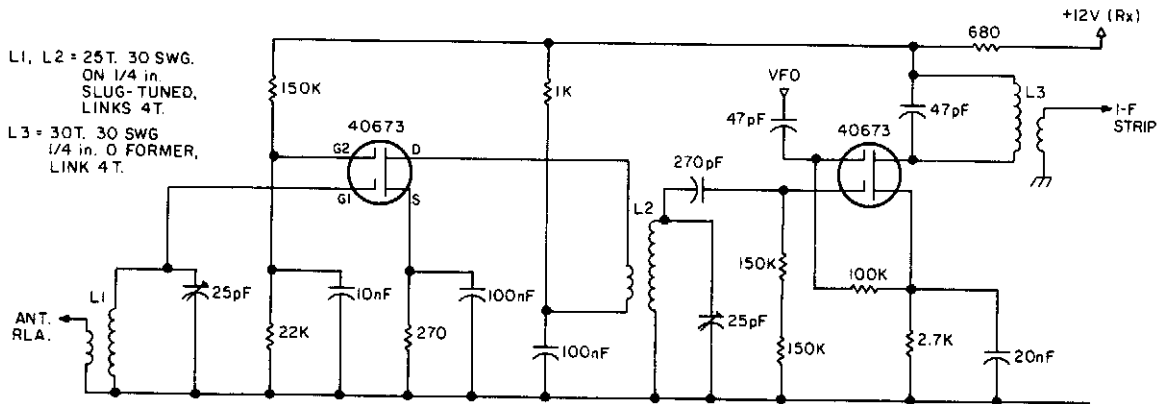
20-m CW Transceiver  
Low-Power HF Transmitter  
Amateur Television Transmitter  
2-m Transmitter  
HF Low-Power CW Transmitter  
5-W 80-m CW Transceiver  
Low-Cost Beacon Transmitter

## 20-m CW TRANSCEIVER



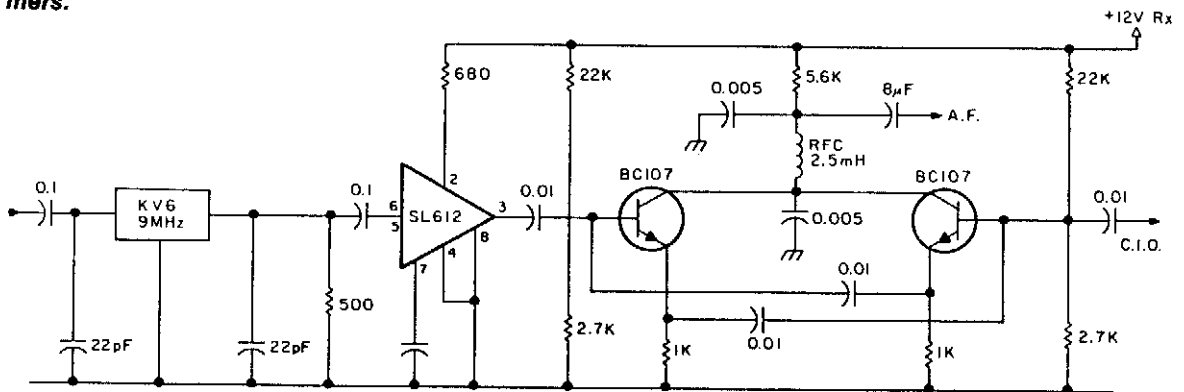
**Colpitts VFO circuit.**

**Fig. 93-1(a)**



**The receive front-end. The associated tuned circuits are peaked to the center of the CW band trimmers.**

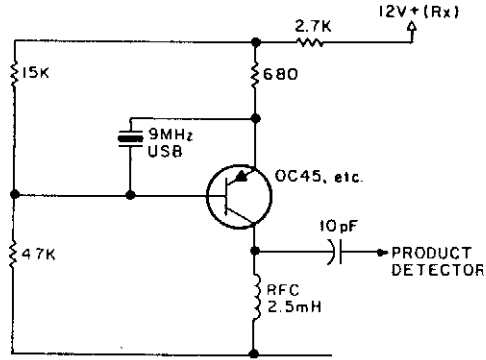
**Fig. 93-1(b)**



**Receive filter, IF, and product detector.**

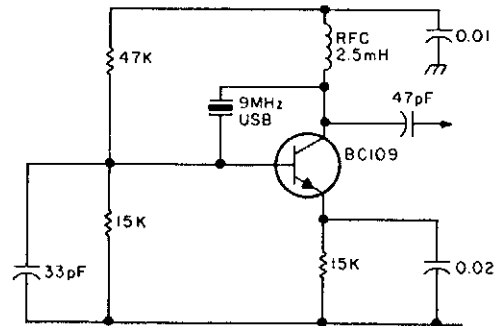
**Fig. 93-1(c)**

## 20-m CW TRANSCEIVER (Cont.)



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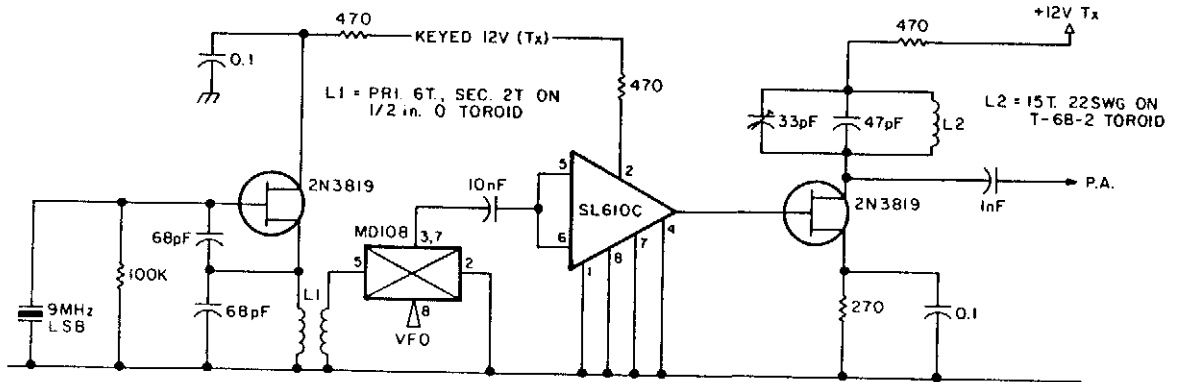
Fig. 93-1(d)



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Fig. 93-1(e)

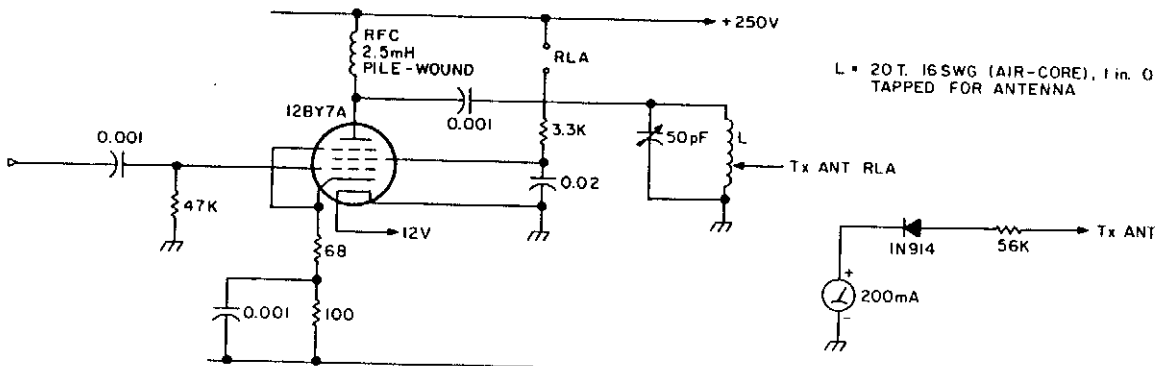
**What's in the junk-box? Pick between two receive carrier circuits.**



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Fig. 93-1(f)

**Transmit mixer and predriver.**

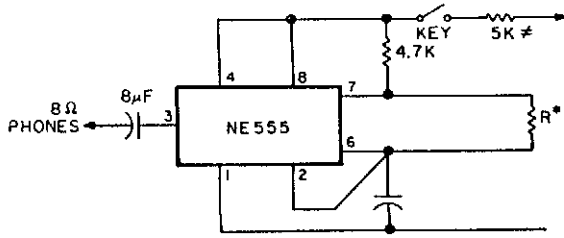


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Fig. 93-1(g)

**A simple diode/meter circuit to measure relative power output.**

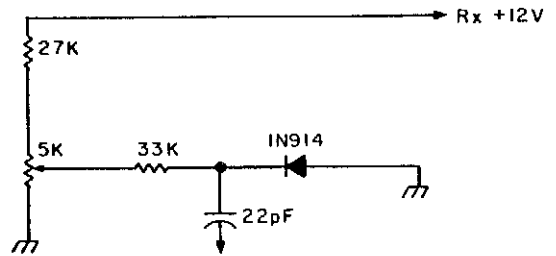
### 20-m CW TRANSCEIVER (Cont.)



R\* : SELECT FOR DESIRED TONE (10 < 50K)  
 R\* : VARY INPUT RES. FOR REQUIRED OUTPUT.

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Fig. 93-1(h)



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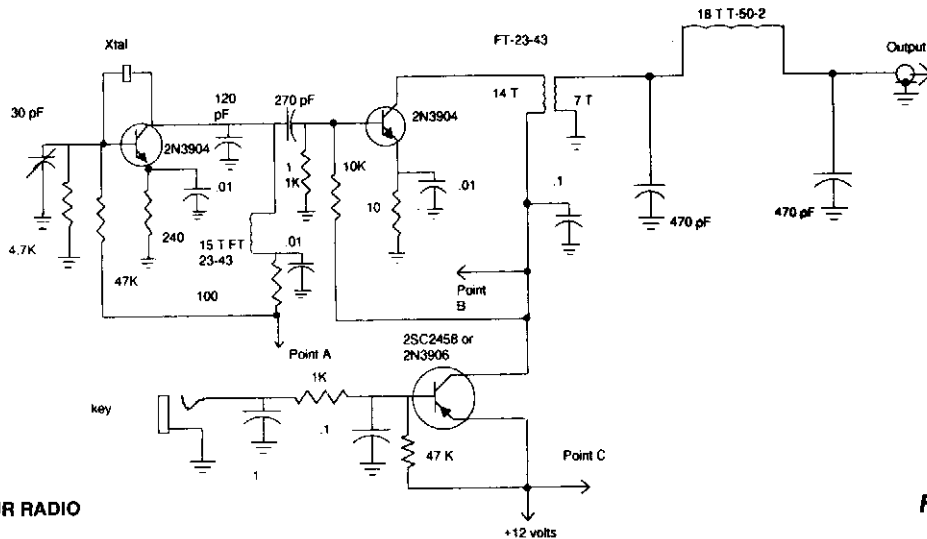
Fig. 93-1(i)

The Colpitts VFO circuit (Fig. 93-1(a)) has gate clamping to improve stability. It is followed by two buffers; the second provides individual outputs to the transmitter and receiver. An RIT circuit operates on receive. The front end uses 40673 dual-gate MOSFETs (Fig. 93-1(b)). The tuned circuits are peaked to the center of the CW band with the trimmer. The mixer output is link-coupled to a KVG 9-MHz SSB filter whose output is amplified by an SL612 IF amplifier IC (Fig. 93-1(c)).

The product detector uses two BC 107 transistors. Carrier reinjection is from a crystal oscillator using the USB crystal supplied with the KVG filter. Figure 93-1(d) and 93-1(e) contain: an FET oscillator and a npn bipolar oscillator. Use either or alter the circuit polarities to suit an npn transistor. The transmitter mixer is an MD108 (Fig. 93-1(f)), fed from the VFO and the LSB carrier-injection oscillator.

A simple diode/meter circuit measures the relative power output (Fig. 93-1(g)). Sidetone is provided by an NE555 circuit (Fig. 93-1(h)).

### LOW-POWER HF TRANSMITTER

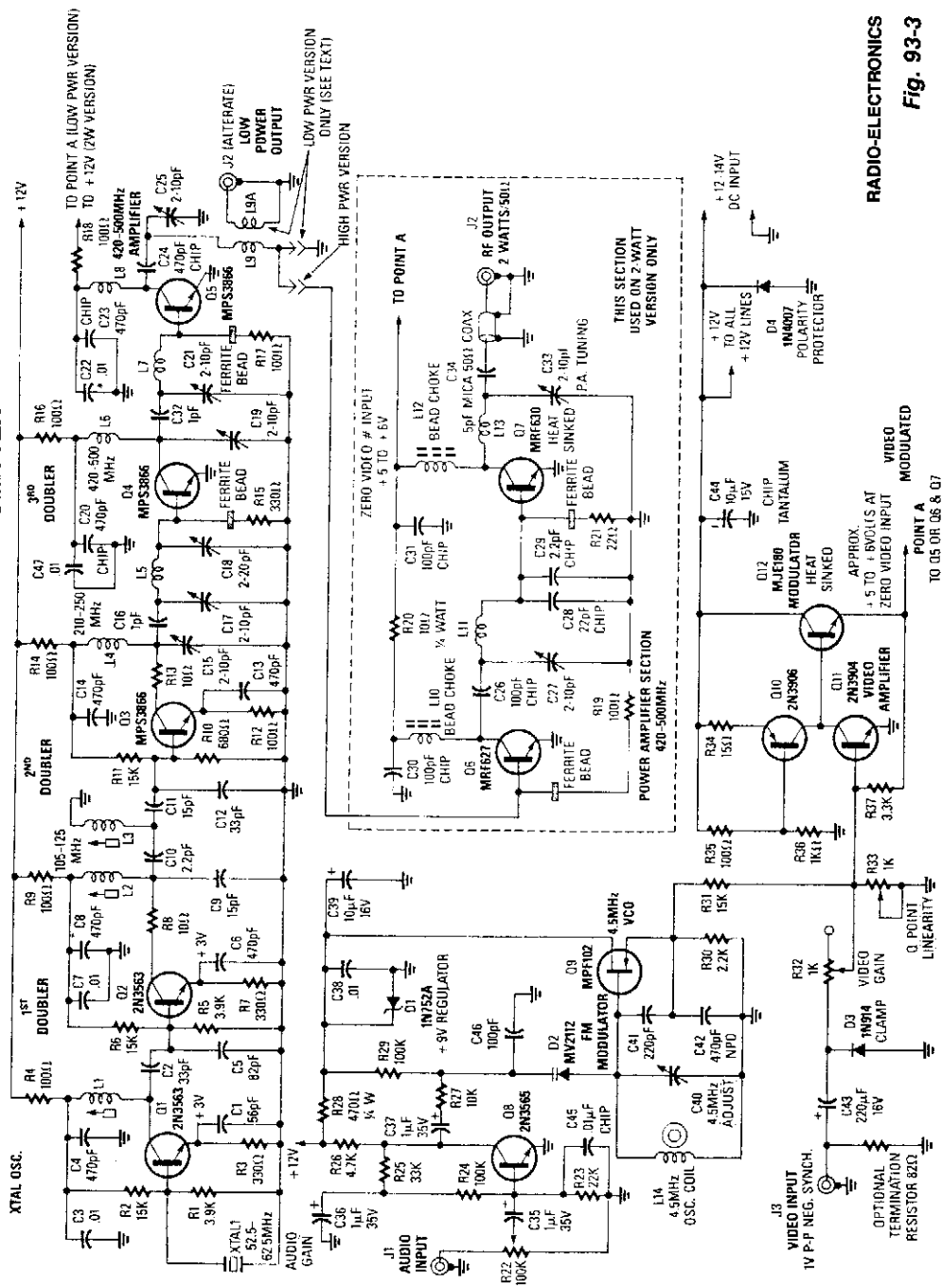


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Fig. 93-2

This transmitter runs up to 1/2 W on the 40-m amateur band. Coils are wound on T25 and FT23 toroids, respectively. Point A is connected to point B to key the oscillator, along with the final (point C) to leave the oscillator running constantly. Use 1/10-W resistors and VERY small components.

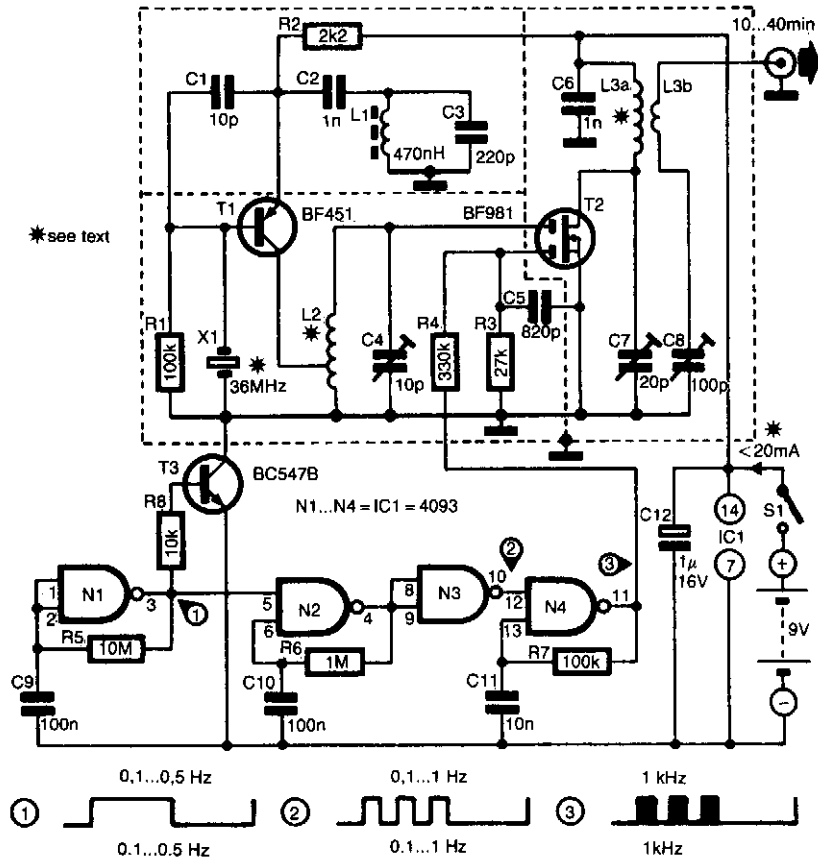
# AMATEUR TELEVISION TRANSMITTER



**RADIO-ELECTRONICS**  
**Fig. 93-3**

Although the unit was designed for 2 W operation, Q6 and Q7 stages and associated components can be omitted and about 1 to 30 mW of RF can be obtained by link coupling to L9. A complete set of parts, including PC board is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804.

## 2-m TRANSMITTER



ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 93-4

The transmitter was designed specifically for use by radio amateurs as a radio beacon. As such, it provides a good-quality signal that is free of unwanted harmonics.

Transistor T1, in association with crystal X1, operates as a 36-MHz oscillator. Filter L1/C3 obviates any tendency of the circuit to oscillate at 12 MHz (the fundamental frequency of the crystal).

Circuit L2/C4 is tuned to the fourth harmonic of the oscillator signal (144 MHz). This signal is fed to the aerial via a buffer stage that consists of T2, a double-gated FET. The (amplitude) modulating signal is applied to the second gate of the buffer. The output power of the transmitter has been kept low, about 10 to 40 mW.

The modulating signal is generated by N1, an oscillator that switches the transmitter on and off via transistor T3. The switching rate lies between 0.1 and 0.5 Hz. When the output of N1 is low, T3 is switched off, and the transmitter is inoperative because the supply is disabled. When the output of N1 is high, T3 is on and the transmitter operates normally.

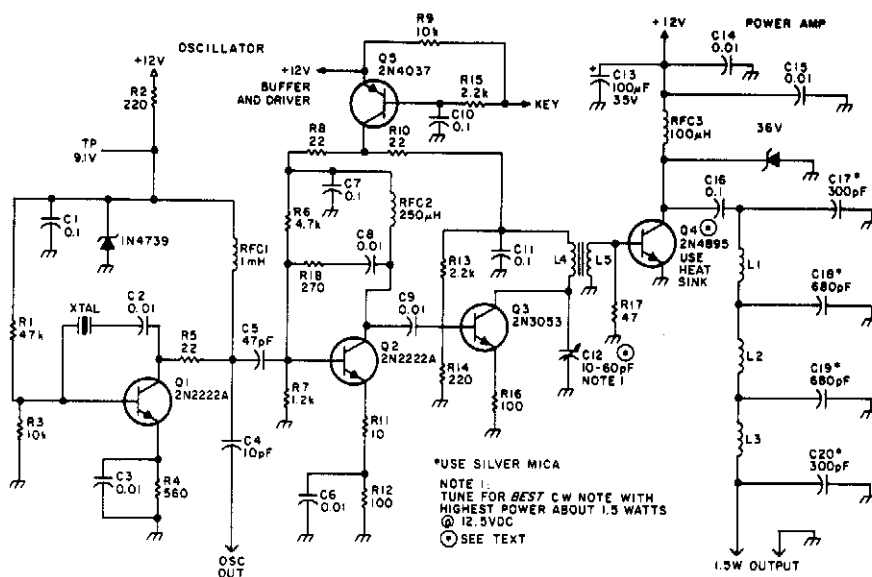
## 2-m TRANSMITTER (Cont.)

The digital pattern at the gate of T2 shapes the modulating signal. Gate N2 generates a square wave at a frequency of 0.1 to 1 Hz. As long as the output of T3 is high, N4 oscillates at a frequency of about 1 kHz. At the relevant gate of N2, there is, therefore, a periodic burst-signal at 1 kHz, and this signal is used to modulate the transmitter.

The digital pattern at the relevant gate of T2 can be varied to individual requirements by altering the values of the feedback resistors in the digital chain. The transmitter is calibrated by setting trimmers C4, C7, and C8 for maximum output power.

Inductors L2 and L3 are wound from 0.8-mm diameter enamelled copper wire: L2 = 5 turns with a tap of 1 turn from ground; L3A = 3 turns and L3B = 2 turns. The coupling between L3A and L3B should be arranged for maximum output power. The circuit draws a current of only 20 mA, which enables the transmitter to be operated from a 9-V battery for several hours.

## HF LOW-POWER CW TRANSMITTER



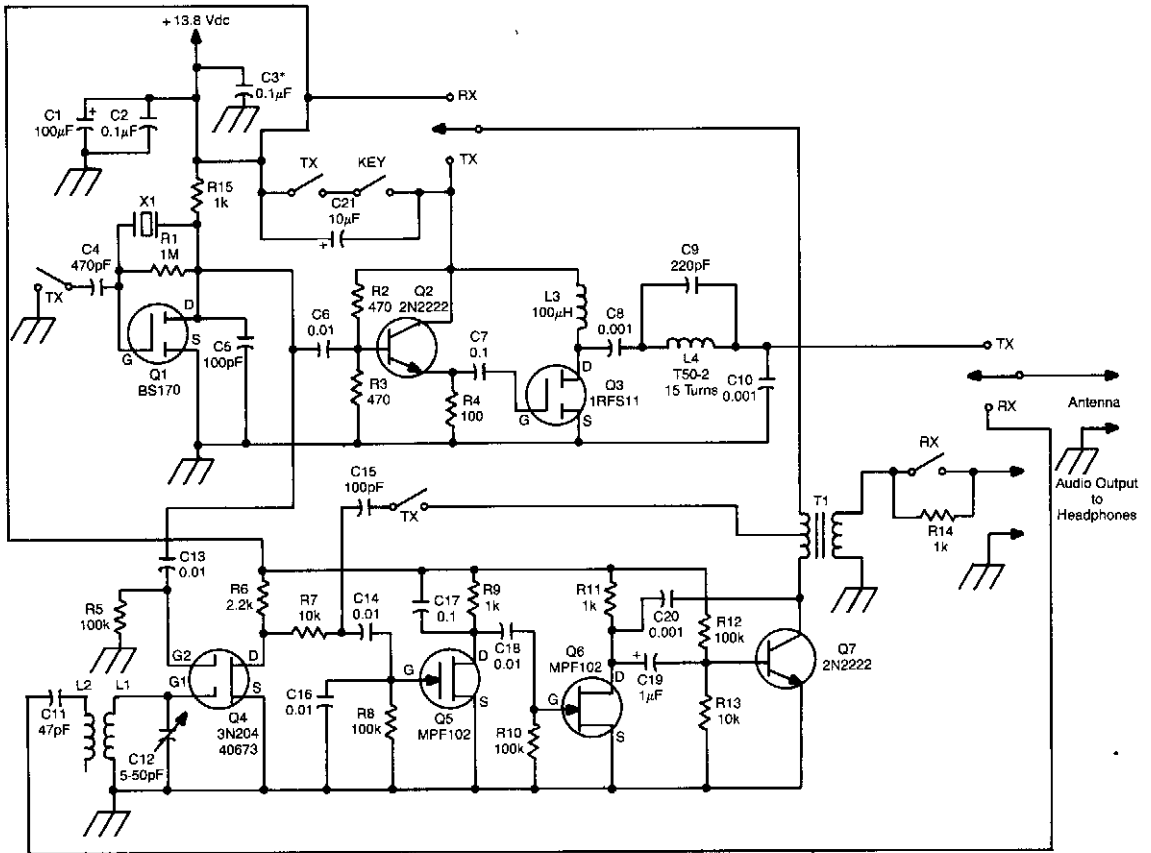
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Fig. 93-5

Suitable for amateur use, this 1.5-W transmitter runs on a 12-V supply. Q1 is an oscillator using a surplus FT243 crystal. Q2 is a buffer driver and is keyed via keying transistor Q5. Q3 acts as a driver for Q4 (which should be heatsinked). Q4 develops about 1.5-W output. Coil data is given in the parts list. C12 is adjusted for best power output.



## 5-W 80-m CW TRANSCEIVER



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Fig. 93-6

This transceiver has a 3-stage transmitter and a direct-conversion receiver. Q1 is the transmitter's oscillator, and the frequency is controlled by X1, which also serves as the receiver local oscillator. Buffer Q2 drives final amplifier Q3 to about 5 W output. The B+ lead to these stages is keyed. The receiver consists of mixer Q4 followed by high gain amplifiers Q5/Q6/Q7. The audio signal appears at the secondary of Q7. In the transmit mode, Q5/Q6/Q7 serve as a sidetone oscillator. A 6PDT switch is required for the T/R switching.



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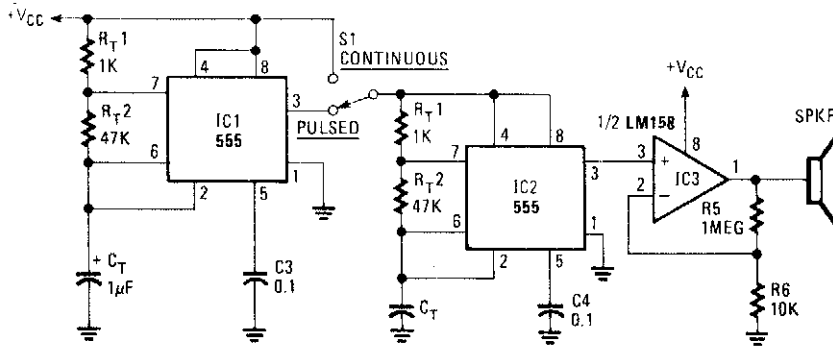
## Ultrasonic Circuits

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Ultrasonic Sound Source  
Ultrasonic Pest Repeller I  
Ultrasonic Pest Repeller II

## ULTRASONIC SOUND SOURCE



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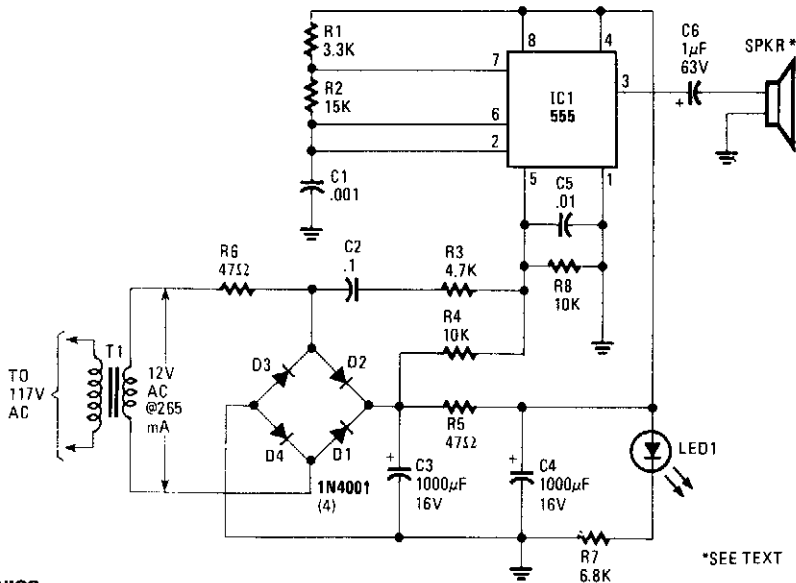
Fig. 94-1

Using two NE555 timer IC devices, this circuit generates either pulsed or continuous ultrasonic signals. The sound frequency is:

$$f = \frac{1.44}{C_T(R_{T1} + R_{T2})}$$

The values of  $C_T$  for both pulse rate and ultrasonic frequencies can be calculated this way. SPKR is a small hi-fi tweeter.

## ULTRASONIC PEST REPELLER I

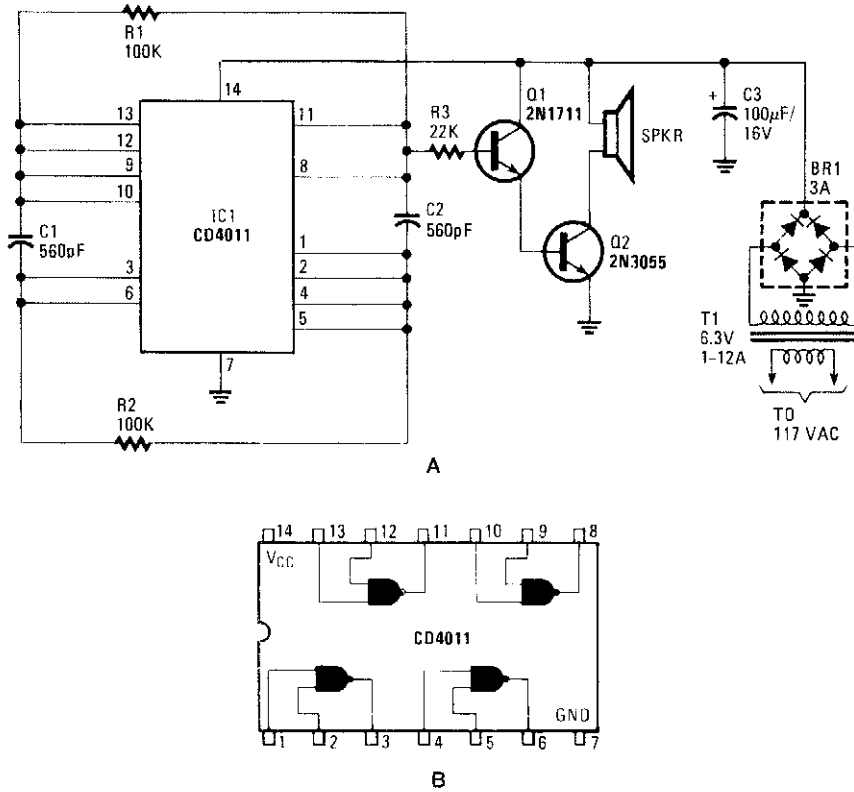


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Fig. 94-2

An NE555 timer is used to generate an ultrasonic signal in the 20- to 65-kHz range. The speaker is a small piezoelectric tweeter with response above 20 kHz. These frequencies are said to be annoying to rats, mice, and insects.

## ULTRASONIC PEST REPELLER II



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*Fig. 94-3*

A CD4011 Quad NAND gate acts as an oscillator, operating around 40 kHz. The small amount of filtering used modulates this with 120-Hz hum. The speaker is a small tweeter for hi-fi applications.

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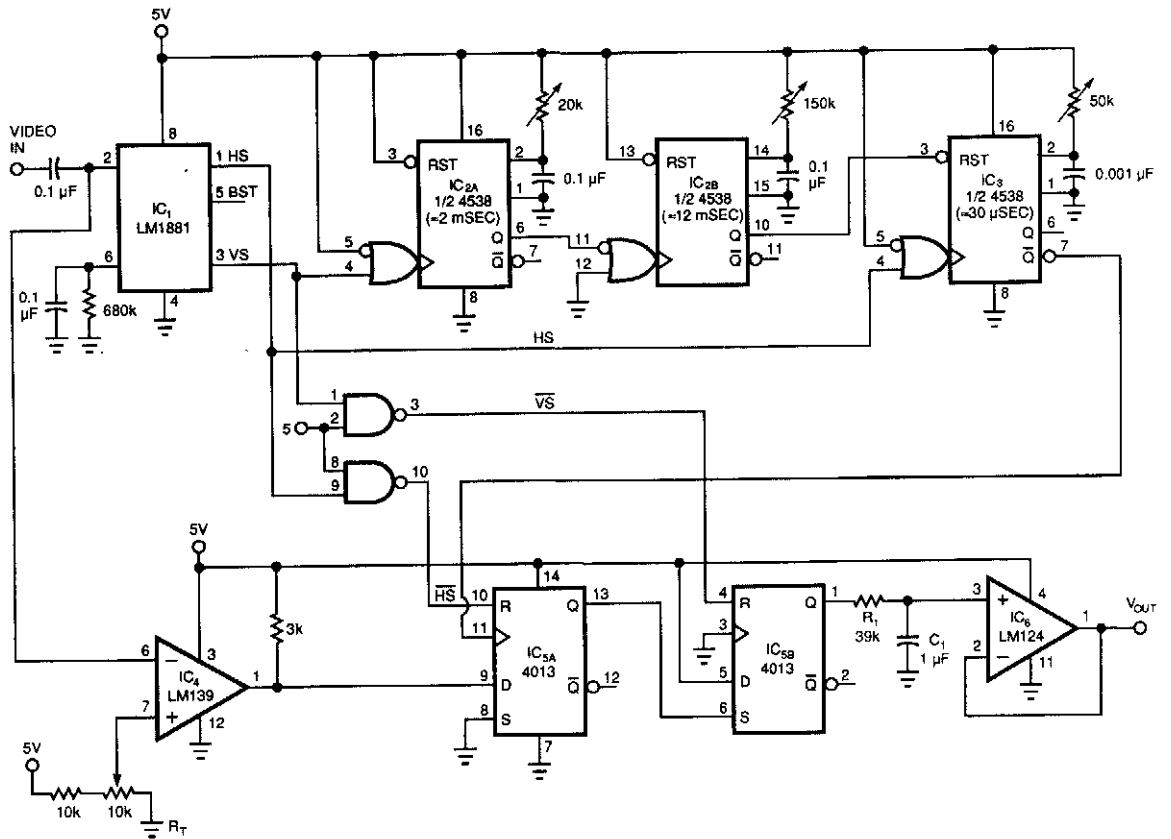
## Video Circuits

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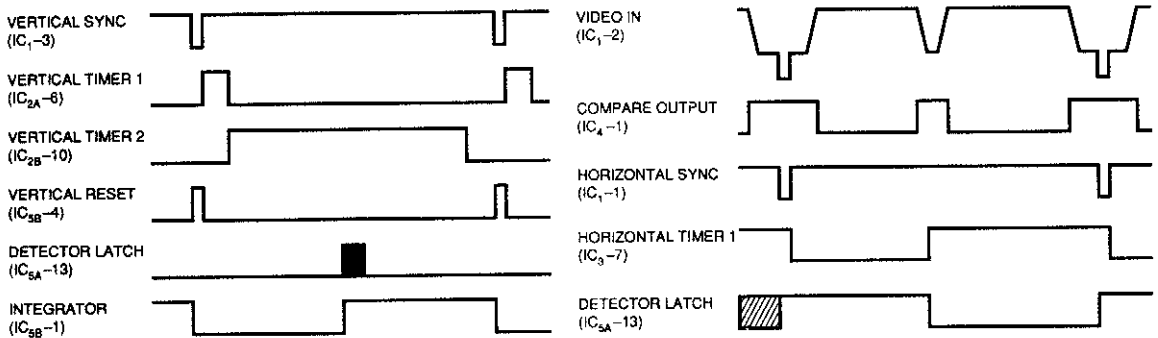
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|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Analog Voltage Camera-Image Tracker | Color-Bar Generator                    |
| High-Performance Video Mixer        | Video Op Amp Circuits                  |
| Video A/D--D/A Converter            | Video Loop-Thru Amplifier              |
| RGB/NTSC Converter                  | Sync Separator                         |
| TV Line Pulse Extractor             | Simple Monochrome TV-Pattern Generator |
| NTSC/RGB Video Decoder              |  |

# ANALOG VOLTAGE CAMERA-IMAGE TRACKER



VERTICAL TIMING (VERTICAL<sub>sync</sub> = 60 Hz)



NOTE: ASSUME TARGET IS IN MIDDLE OF SCREEN

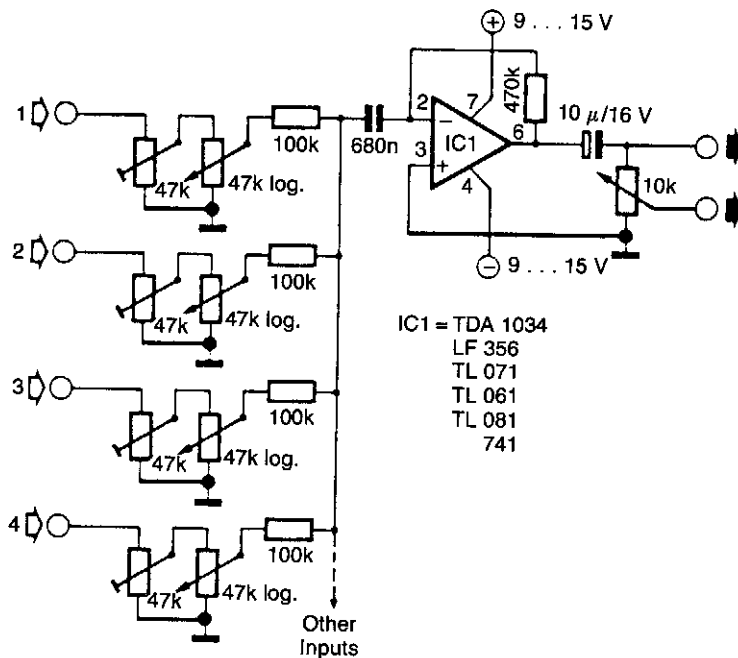
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Fig. 95-1

## ANALOG VOLTAGE CAMERA-IMAGE TRACKER (Cont.)

By using a low-cost RS-170 camera and this circuit, a voltage that trades the position of an object in the field of view of a camera is generated. IC2A and IC2B form a valid video gate that holds IC3 in reset during the internal vertical blanking to prevent false interpretation of the UBI as black video. IC4 is a black level detector. The circuit tests for a black object in the middle of each video line. IC5 latches the comparator's output and produces a square wave whose duty cycle depends on where the black level is detected in the video field. R1, C1, and IC6 integrate and buffer the analog output voltage.

## HIGH-PERFORMANCE VIDEO MIXER



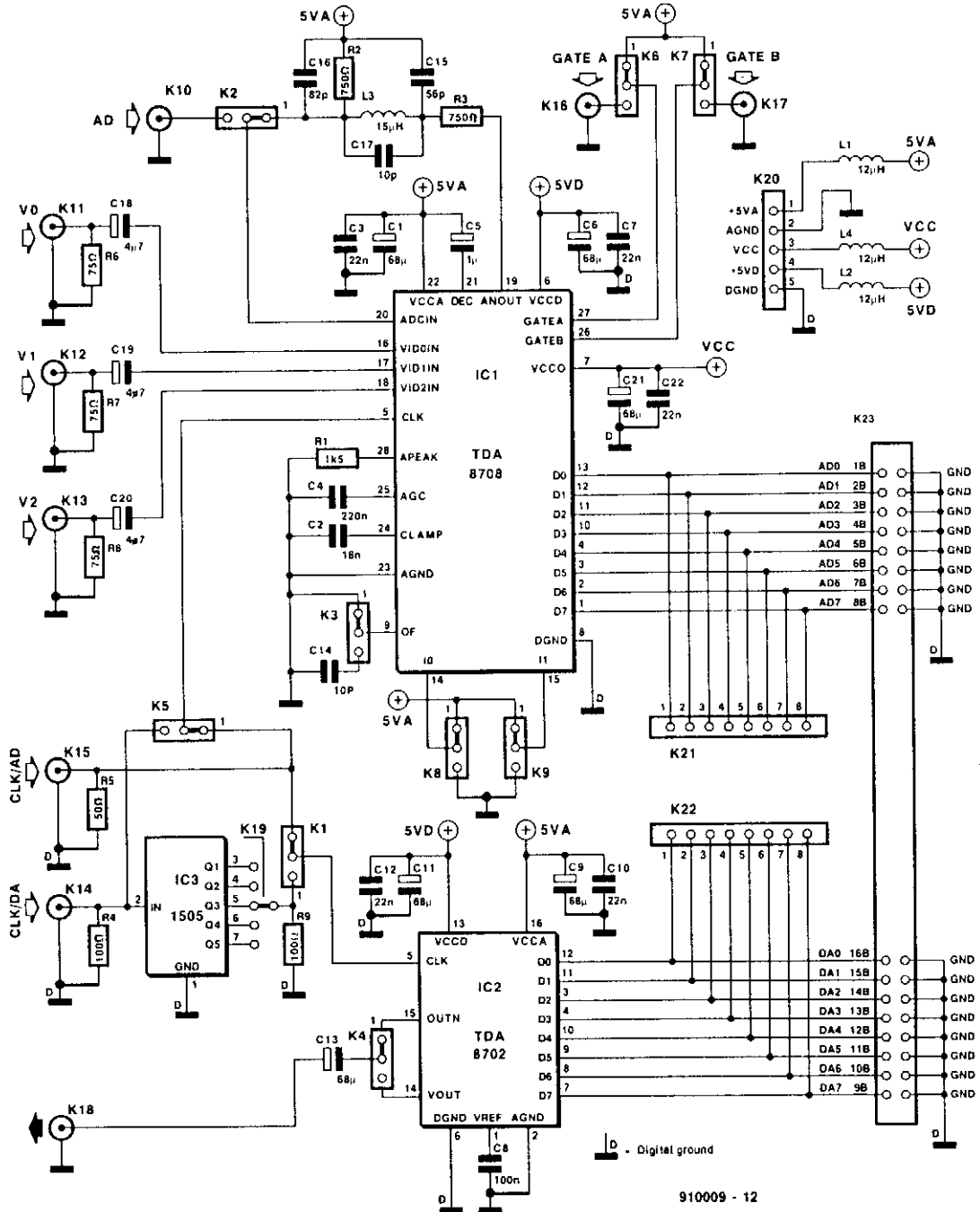
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Fig. 95-2

This circuit mixes H sync, V sync, and actual video. T2 mixes the sync, while T1 serves as an emitter-follower. Bandwidths of up to 25 MHz are typical for this circuit.



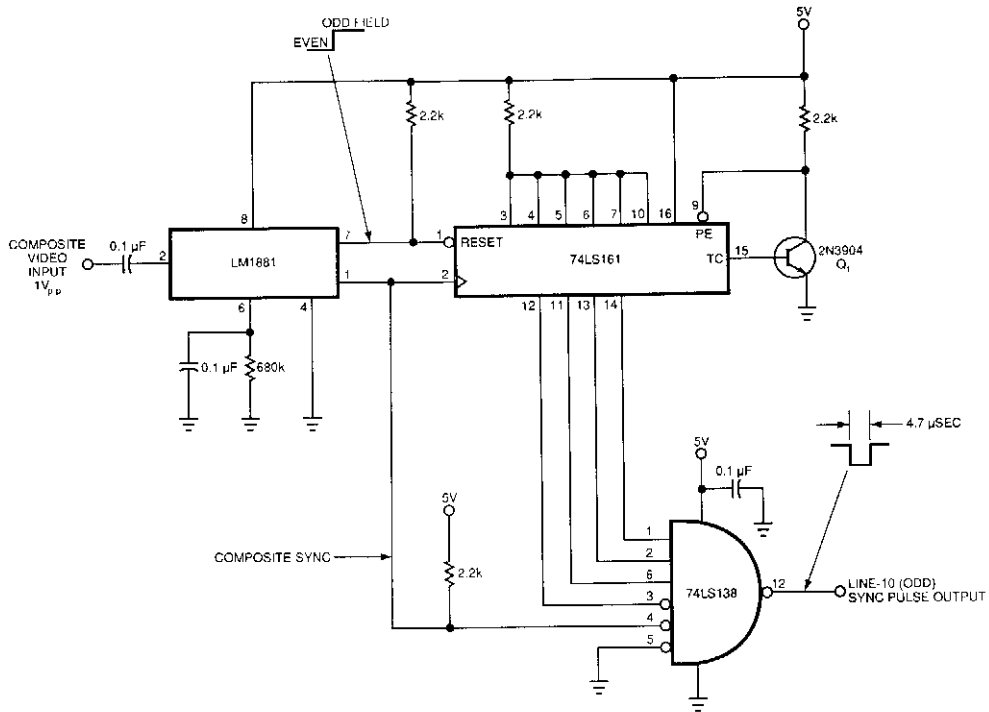
# VIDEO A/D—D/A CONVERTER



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## TV LINE PULSE EXTRACTOR



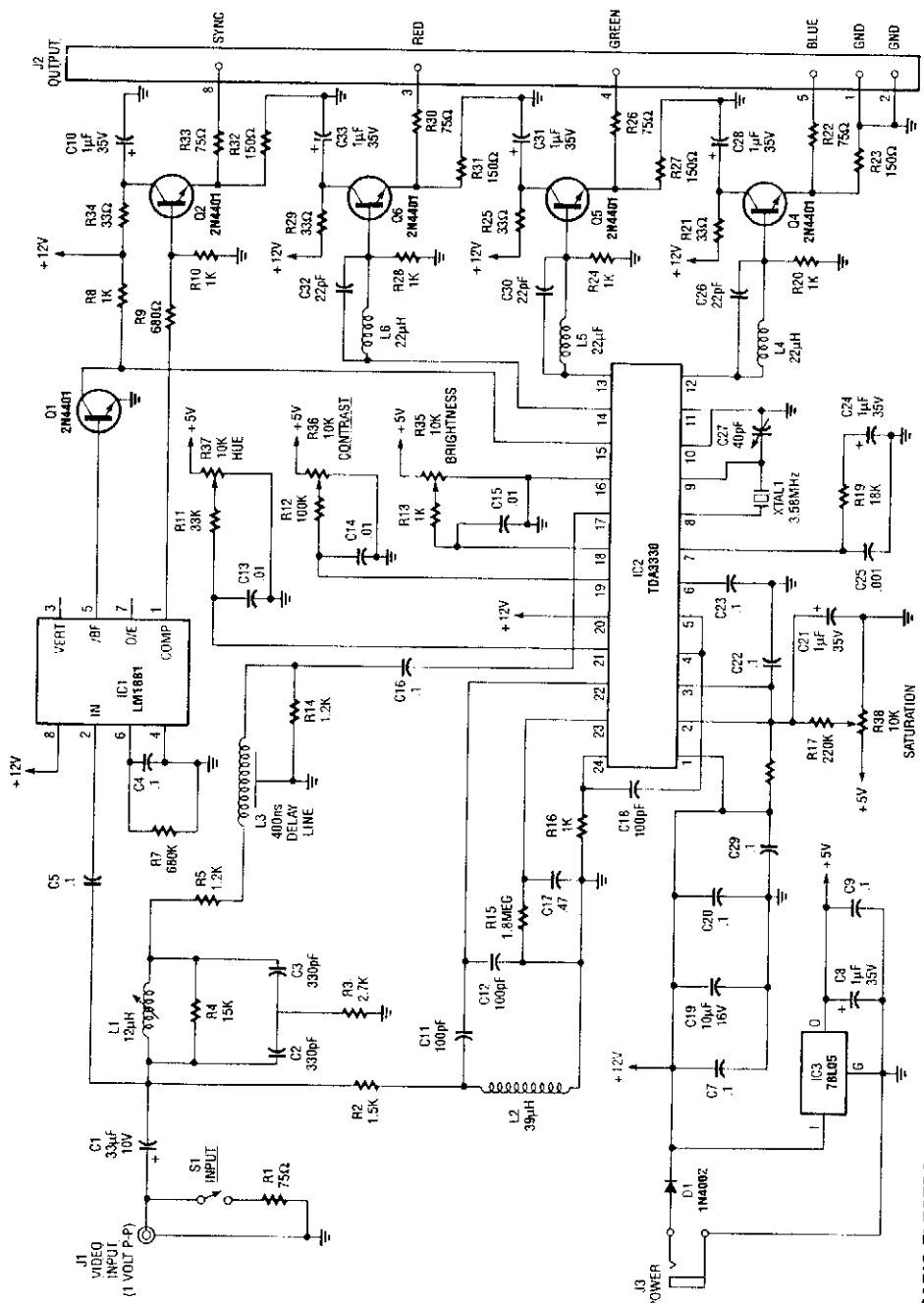
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**Fig. 95-5**

This circuit uses a sync-generator chip, a counter, and a decoder to detect the horizontal sync pulse that occurs at the beginning of line 10 in field 1 of an NTSC television picture. You can use this circuit to compare the time delay between sync signals at various locations, and to determine and correct for any drift between the two master clocks.

The output of the LM1881 sync separator is the key to detecting line 10; the odd/even line goes high on the leading edge of the first equalizing pulse in the middle of line 4. Thus, you can use this knowledge to find virtually any other line in the field. This particular circuit locates line 10 of field one. The circuit resets the 74LS161 counter until the odd/even line goes high. Then, 74LS161 counts the positive transitions of the sync signal. After 11 positive transitions, the sync pulse drives pin 4 of the 74LS138 decoder low, and the line-10 sync pulse appears at pin 12 of the decoder. (The circuit counts to 11, as opposed to the 6 you might expect—because the composite sync signal contains more than 1 pulse per line). The counter remains in its maximum-count state until the sync separator causes a reset because Q1 feeds the inverted terminal-count output back to the parallel-enable input.

# NTSC/RGB VIDEO DECODER

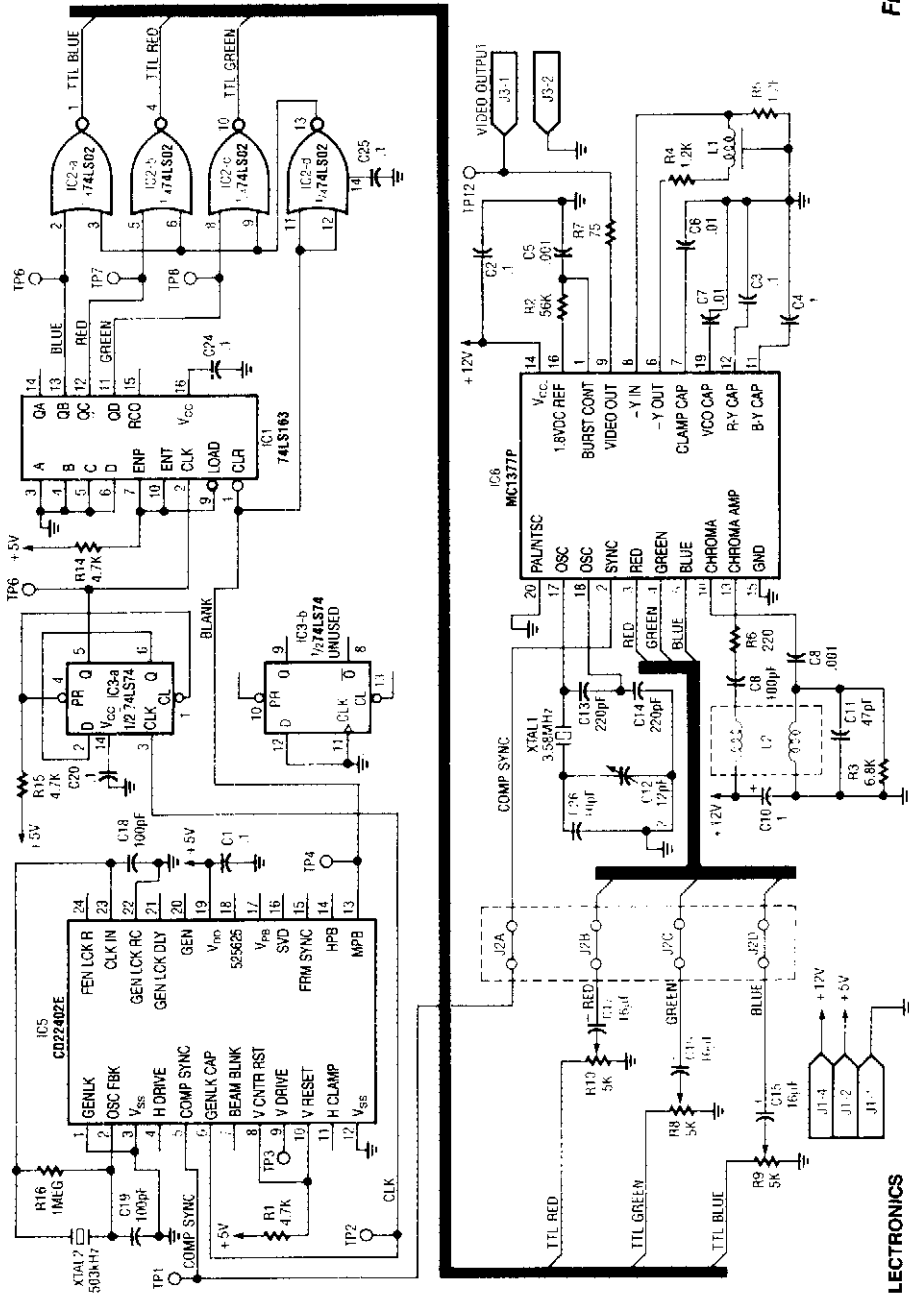


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Fig. 95-6

An NTSC/RGB decoder is shown here. Using a TDA3330, 1-V input video is broken down into its R, G, B components, and composite sync. U1 is an integrated sync separator (LM1881). This circuit should be useful for interfacing RGB monitors to NTSC video systems.

## COLOR-BAR GENERATOR

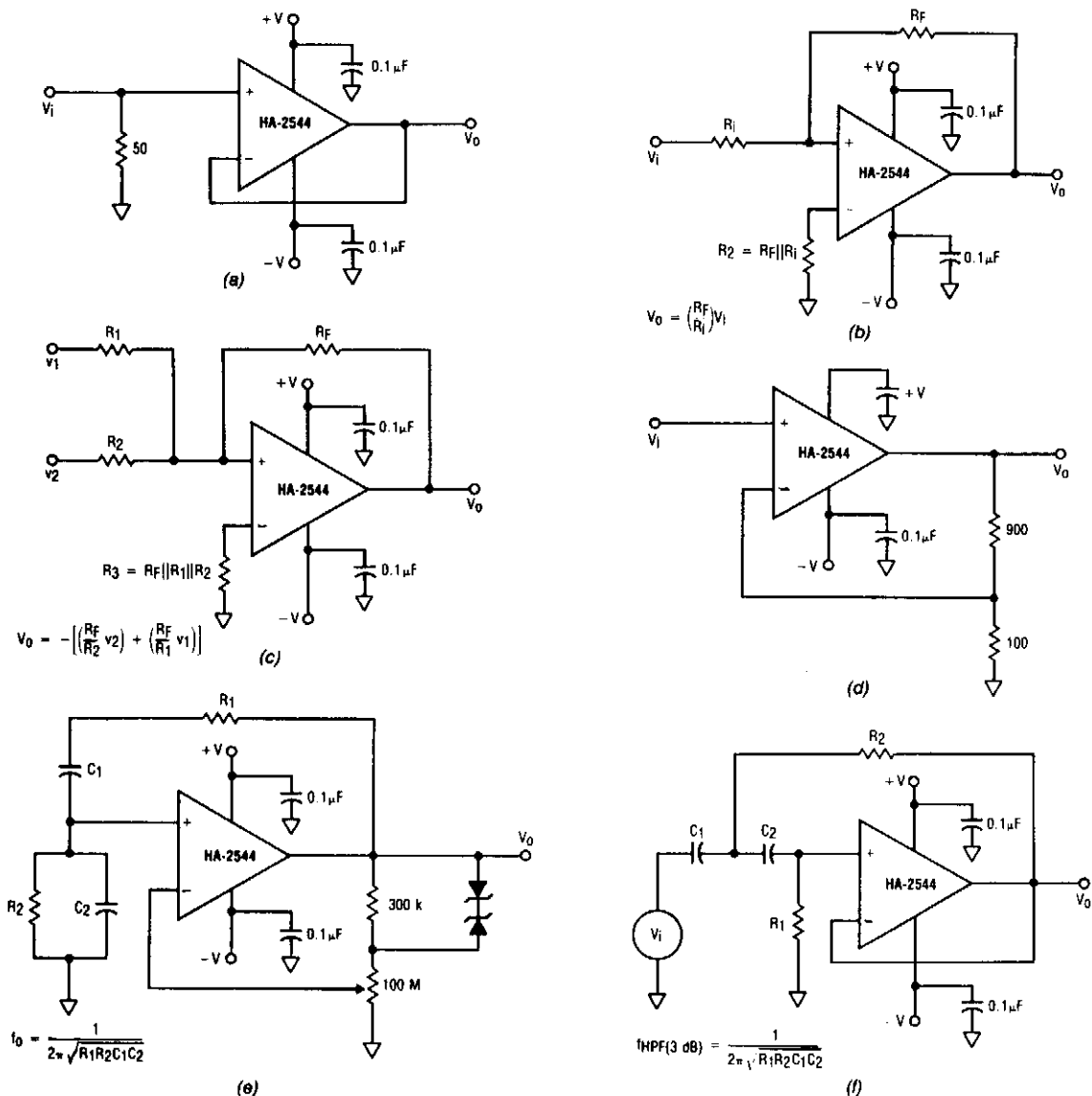


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Fig. 95-7

IC5 generates RS-170 NTSC sync. IC1, IC2, and IC3 make up the red, green, and blue video signals that drive the video encoder section of IC6 to make up the color bars. IC3 is an  $a \div 2$  counter that drives 4-bit counter IC1. Gates IC2a through IC2b form the R, B, and G, video signals. IC6 encodes these, plus sync, to form an NTSC video output signal, which appears at TP12.

## VIDEO OP AMP CIRCUITS



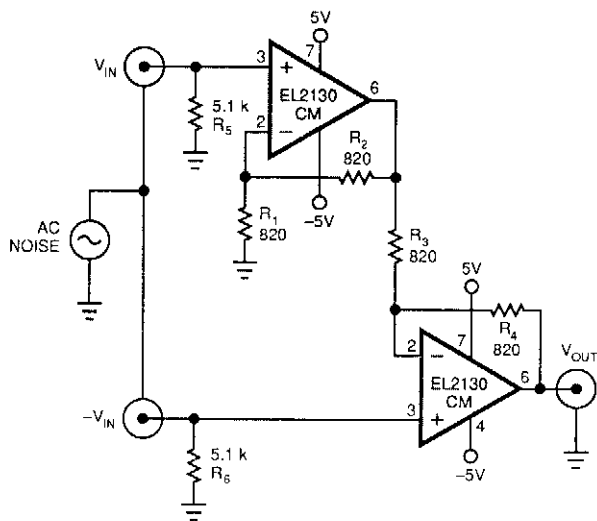
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Fig. 95-8

These 6 circuits use the Harris HA2544 op amp. Component values are obtained by using the equations in the figure.

The HA-2544 can be used in any number of standard op amp configurations, including a voltage follower (a), an inverting amplifier (b), an inverting summer (c), a buffer amplifier with a gain of 10 (d), a Wien-bridge oscillator with zener diode adaptive feedback (e), and a second-order, high-pass active filter (f).

## VIDEO LOOP-THRU AMPLIFIER



This video bandwidth amplifier rejects common-mode noise, such as 60- and 120-Hz hum. Bandwidth is typically 60 MHz for a differential gain of 2. The common-mode rejection is typically 45 dB.

The design equations are:

$$A_{DIFF} \geq 1,$$

$$R_2 = R_4 \text{ (select both for optimum bandwidth)}$$

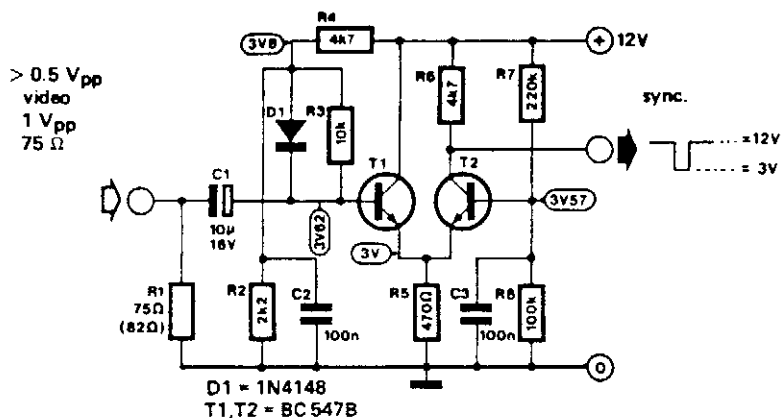
$$R_1 = R_2 (A_{DIFF} - 1)$$

$$R_3 = R_4 (A_{DIFF} - 1)$$

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Fig. 95-9

## SYNC SEPARATOR

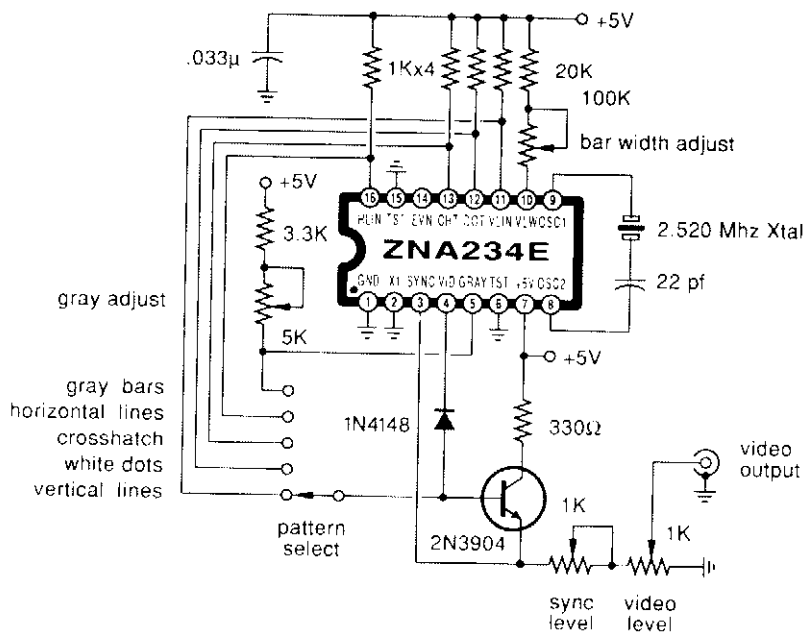


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Fig. 95-10

This circuit separates the sync from the composite video signal. It uses a two-transistor comparator. Output is 9 Vpp with a 0.5-Vpp (minimum) video input signal.

## SIMPLE MONOCHROME TV-PATTERN GENERATOR



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**Fig. 95-11**

Using a Plessey ZNA234E IC, this generator produces sync, blanking, gray bars, lines, dots, and crosshatch patterns.



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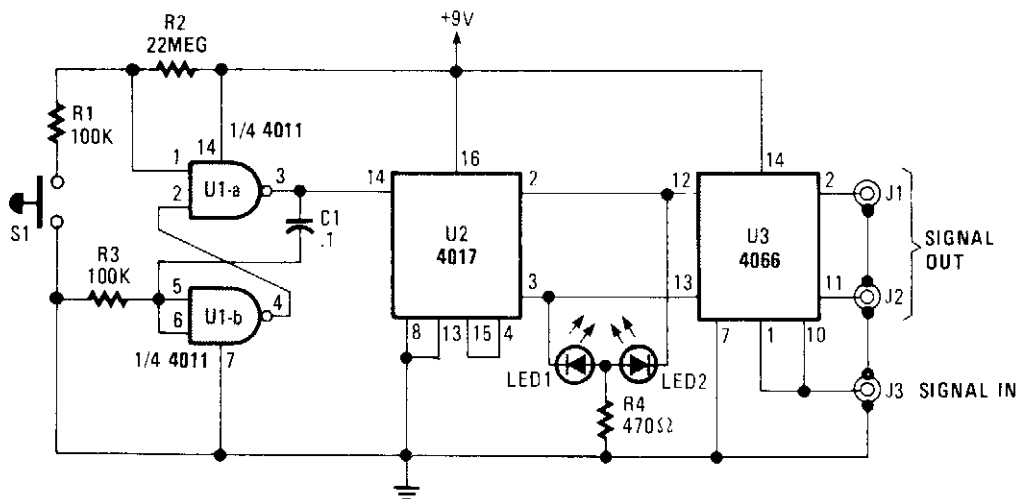
## Video-Switching Circuits

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Remote-Selection Video Switch  
Remote-Controlled Switcher

## REMOTE SELECTION VIDEO SWITCH



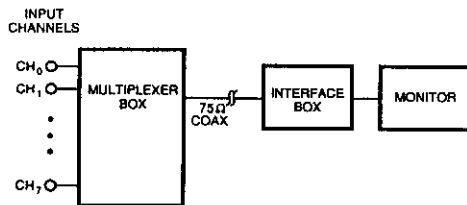
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Fig. 96-1

The A/B Switch circuit consists of three ICs and a handful of resistors. Two gates from a 4011 quad 2-input NAND gate (U1A and U1B) are configured as a monostable multivibrator that, when switch S1 is pressed, triggers a 4017 decade counter/divider, which has been set to recycle after a count of two. The outputs of U2 at pins 2 and 3 are fed to the control inputs of U3 (a 4066 quad bilateral switch) at pins 12 and 13. Depending on which control input is high, either the J1 or J2 output is selected.

With a little modification, the switch could be set to trigger at a set rate (automatically). With the addition of another 4066, it could have as many as 8 channels. One possible application would be in a security surveillance system.

## REMOTE-CONTROLLED SWITCHER



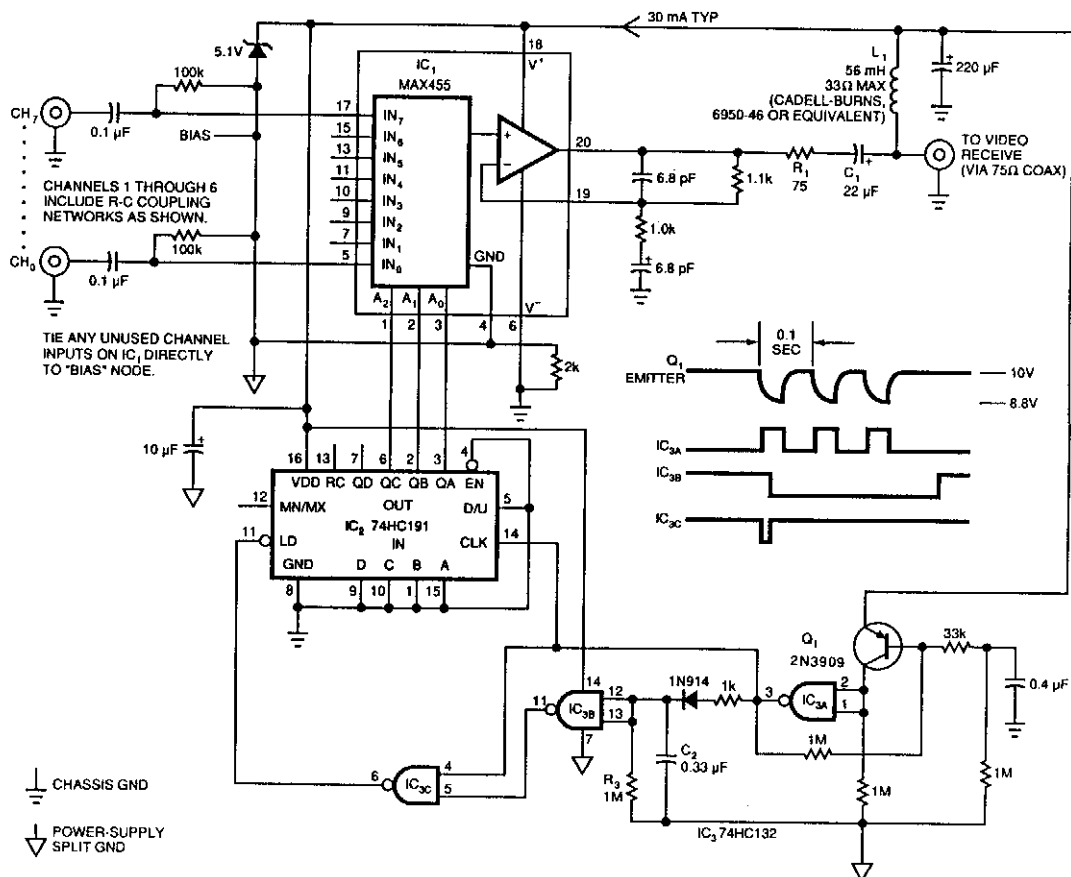
This 1-cable system carries composite video (NTSC, PAL, or SECAM), power, and channel-select signals.

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Fig. 96-2(a)



## REMOTE-CONTROLLED SWITCHER (Cont.)



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Fig. 96-2(c)

The interface circuit (Fig. 96-2(b)) delivers 10 V to the cable and pulses the supply voltage to select one of 8 channels. When the send button is depressed, a digital burst of 1.2 V amplitude (negative) is superimposed on the 12-V line (as a voltage drop). This does not affect the video signal. The multiplexer circuit (Fig. 96-2(c)) consists of a multiplexer and an amplifier. The multiplexer is a Maxim MAX455. The digital code on the supply line is picked off by A1, IC<sub>3A</sub>, and interfaced to counter IC<sub>2</sub>, which drives the multiplexer to select the desired video channel.

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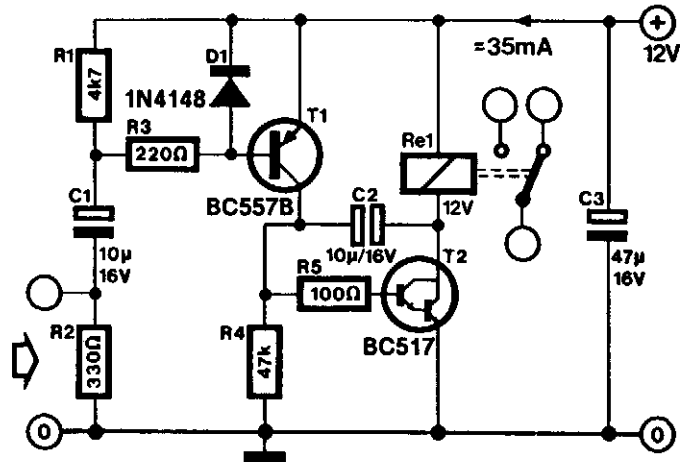
## Voice-Operated Circuits

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Simple VOX  
Scanner Voice Squelch

## SIMPLE VOX



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Fig. 97-1

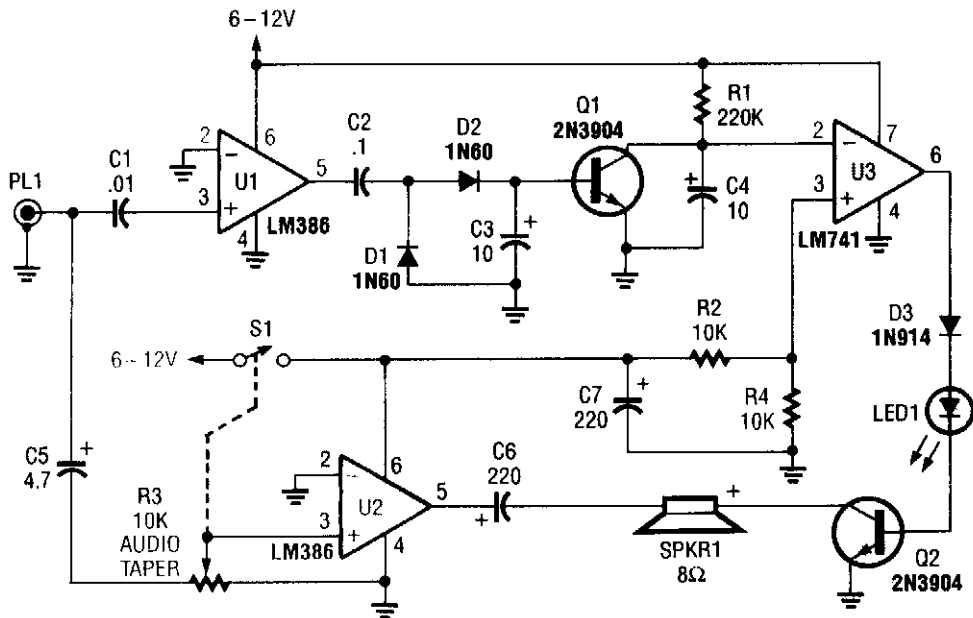
A *VOX* is a voice-operated switch that is often used as a substitute for the press-to-talk switch on a microphone. This *VOX* can be connected to almost any audio equipment that has a socket for an external loudspeaker. The actuation threshold is set by the volume control on the AF amplifier that drives the *VOX*.

The (loudspeaker) signal across R2 is capacitively fed to the base of T1. Resistor R3 limits the base current of this transistor when the input voltage exceeds 600 mV. Diode D1 blocks the positive excursions of the input signal, so that  $V_{eb}$  cannot become more negative than about 0.6 V.

The output relay is driven by Darlington T2. Resistor R4 keeps the relay disabled when T1 is off. The value of bipolar capacitor C2 allows it to serve as a ripple filter in conjunction with T2. Resistor R5 limits the base current of T2 to a safe level.

The switching threshold of the *VOX* is about 600 mV across R2. The maximum input voltage is determined by the maximum permissible dissipation of R2 and R3. As a general rule, the input voltage should not exceed 40 Vpp. The current drawn by the *VOX* is mainly the sum of the currents through the relay coil and through R5. The resistor can carry up to 100 mA when the *VOX* is overdriven.

## SCANNER VOICE SQUELCH



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Fig. 97-2

This circuit detects the presence of audio (voice) on the output of a scanner. If the scanner stops on a "dead carrier" or noise, the circuit mutes the speaker to avoid annoying noise.

U1 amplifies speech and drives rectifier D1/D2 and switch Q1. Comparator U3 drives speaker switch Q1 and indicator LED1. Q2 completes the speaker path to ground. U2 is an audio amplifier to drive the speaker. R3 is a volume control. PL1 connects to the scanner speaker or to the headphone jack.

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## Voltage-Controlled Oscillators

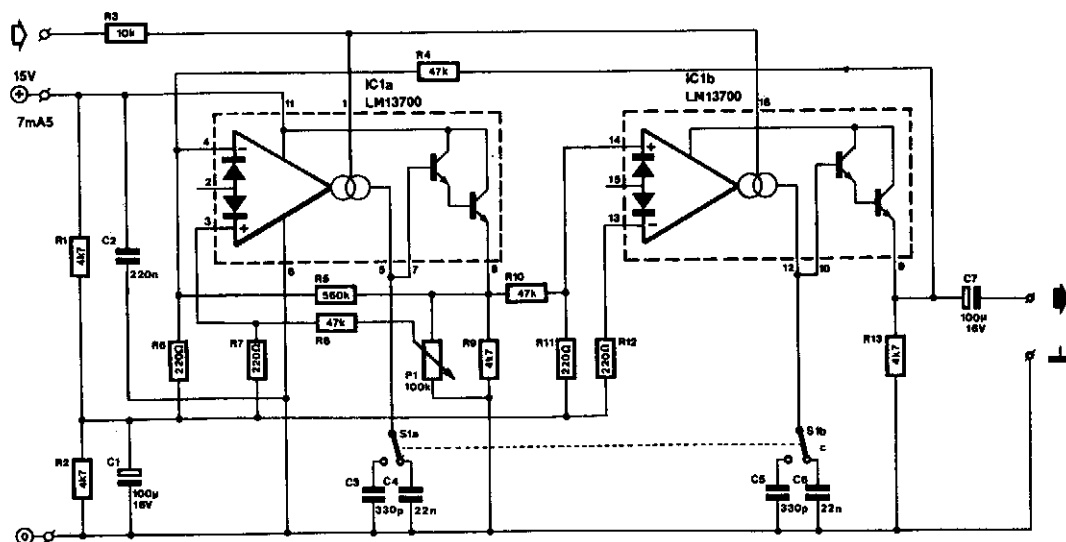
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|                              |                                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Simple Audio-Frequency VCO   | Voltage-Controlled Current Sink |
| Gated Wide-Range VCO         | Biphase Wide-Range VCO          |
| Simple 555 VCO               | Wide-Range VCO                  |
| Restricted-Range VCO         | Varactorless VCO                |
| Linear VCO                   | VCO                             |
| Voltage-Tuned UHF Oscillator |                                 |



## SIMPLE AUDIO-FREQUENCY VCO



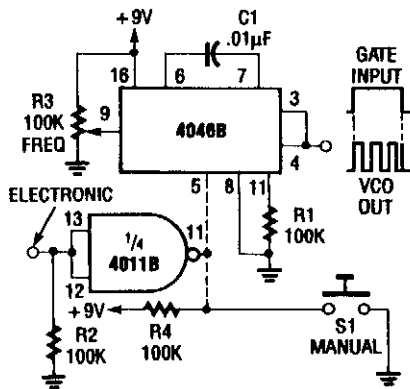
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Fig. 98-1

The frequency of this sine-wave oscillator is determined by a direct voltage,  $U_c$ , of 0 to 15 V. The distortion on output signals of up to 10 V<sub>pp</sub> is not greater than 1%. When the output is reduced with the aid of P1 to 1 V<sub>pp</sub>, the distortion drops to below 0.1%. It is not recommended to use output signals below 1 V<sub>pp</sub>, because the oscillator then becomes unstable and temperature-dependent.

The oscillator consists of two operational transconductance amplifiers (OTAs) contained in one package. Their Amp-bias inputs, pins 1 and 16, are connected in parallel. These inputs can drive the output currents at pins 5 and 12 to a peak value of up to 0.75 mA.

Switch S1 enables the oscillator output to be set to two ranges: 6.7 to 400 Hz and 400 Hz to 23.8 kHz. The overall range needs a control voltage that varies from 1.34 to 15 V. When the frequency is changed by a variation of  $U_c$  and the setting of P1 is not altered, the output signal might be distorted. In other words, the amplitude of the signal must be adapted to the frequency.

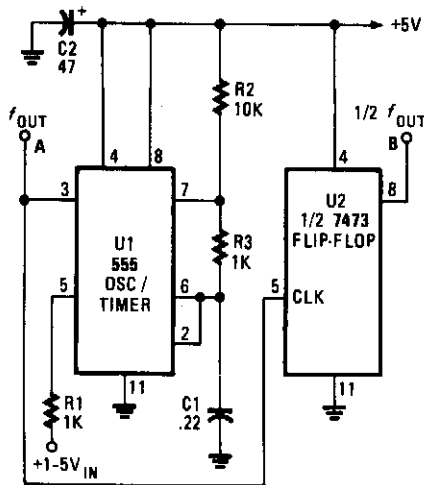


### GATED WIDE-RANGE VCO

A CD4046 can be gated either with a switch or electronically, as shown in the figure. Frequency range of this circuit is to 1.5 kHz; use another  $C_1$  for higher frequencies.

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Fig. 98-2

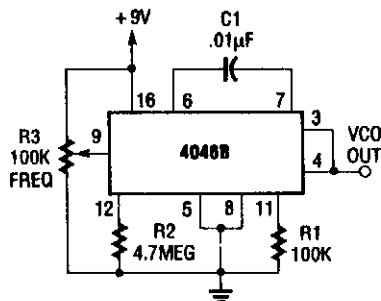


### SIMPLE 555 VCO

The VCO has an output frequency that ranges from 1 500 Hz at  $V_{in}=1$  V to 300 Hz at  $V_{in}=5$  V.  $R_1$  or  $C_1$  can be varied to change this range. U2 provides a symmetrical square-wave output of half the timer frequency.

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Fig. 98-3



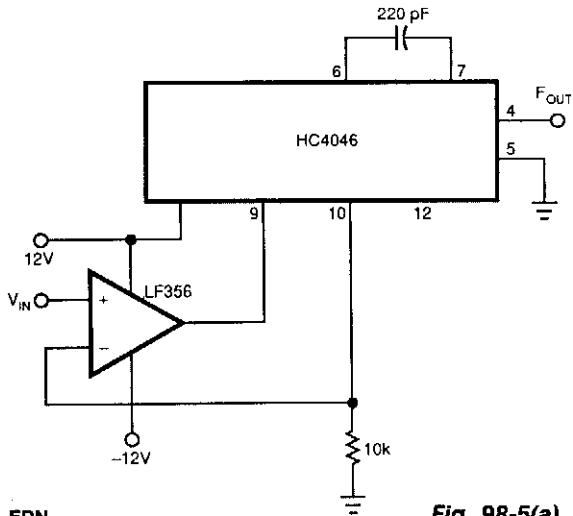
### RESTRICTED-RANGE VCO

This VCO is adjustable from 60 Hz to 1.4 kHz.  $C_1$  can be changed for other ranges.

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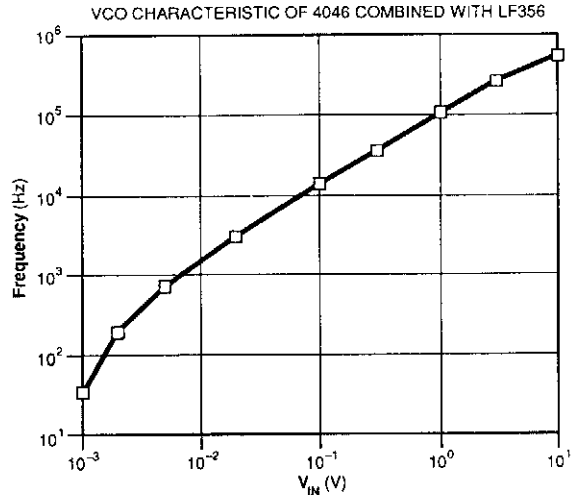
Fig. 98-4

## LINEAR VCO



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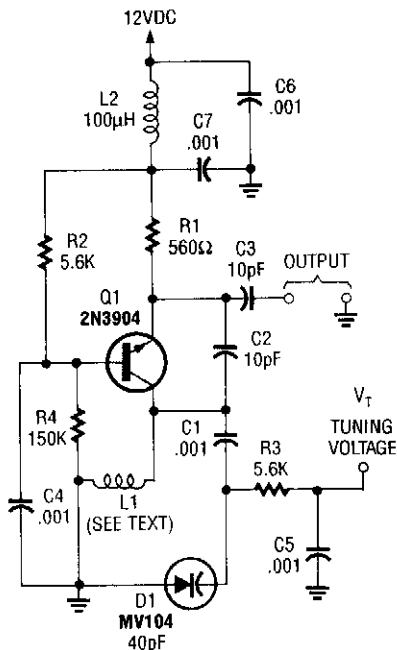
Fig. 98-5(a)



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Fig. 98-5(b)

This VCO uses an LF356 op amp to produce a linear frequency vs. voltage characteristic using the CMOS HC4046. The frequency range can be changed by changing the capacitor connected between pins 6 and 7 of the HC4046. Using the HC4046's internal transistor instead of an external component achieves the linearization in Fig. 98-5(b).



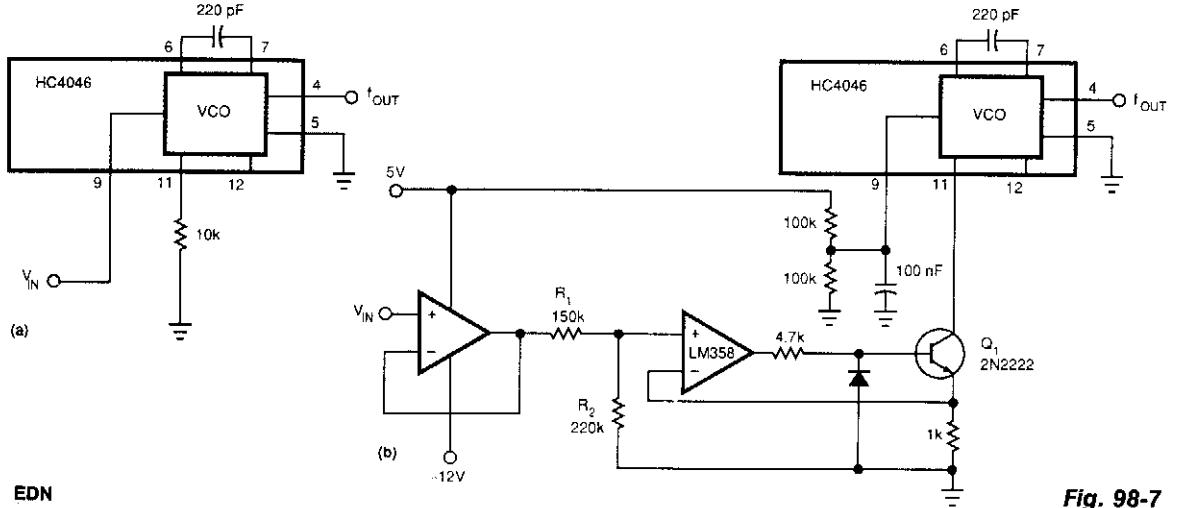
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Fig. 98-6

## VOLTAGE-TUNED VHF OSCILLATOR

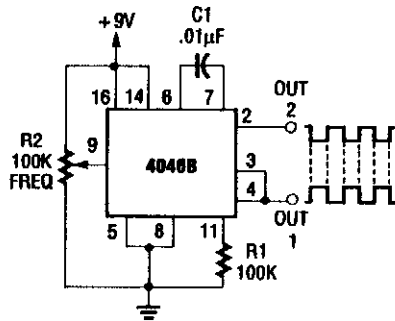
This VHF VCO circuit is suitable for 30 to 200 MHz. Q1 can be replaced by a 2N3563 for operation above 100 MHz. L1 is chosen to resonate to the desired frequency with the varactor capacitance of 40 pF. Other varactors can be substituted or two back-to-back varactors can be used for better linearity, depending on the application.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CURRENT SINK



**Fig. 98-7**

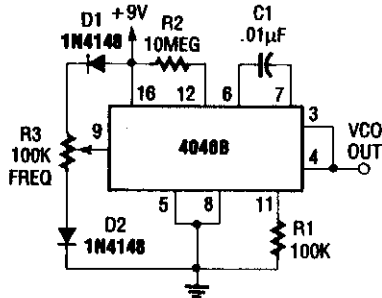
This circuit widens the linear frequency span of an HC4046 from one decade to nearly three decades. An LM358 is used as a constant-current sink to replace the frequency-determining resistor (10 k $\Omega$ ) from pin 9 to ground. Pin 9 is held at a fixed 2.5 V for this application.



### BIPHASE WIDE-RANGE VCO

Using a CD4046B, this circuit generates a biphas signal. The frequency range is below 100 Hz to about 1.5 kHz.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS **Fig. 98-8**

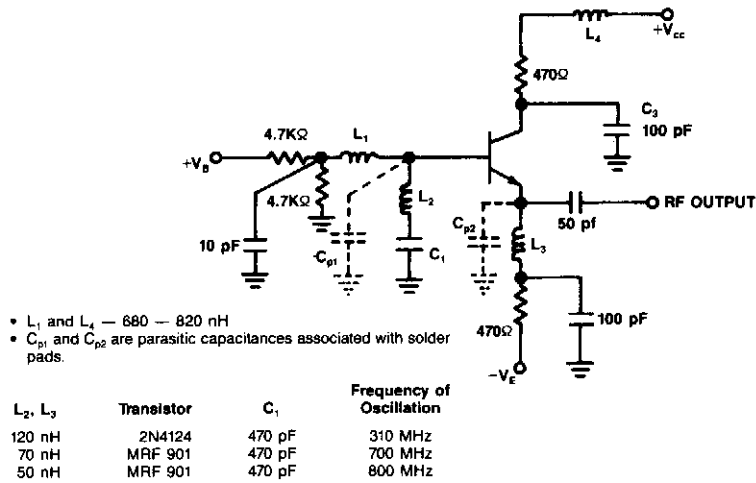


### WIDE-RANGE VCO

This circuit covers 0 to 1.4 kHz.  $C_1$  can be changed to cover other ranges, as desired.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS **Fig. 98-9**

## VARACTORLESS VCO

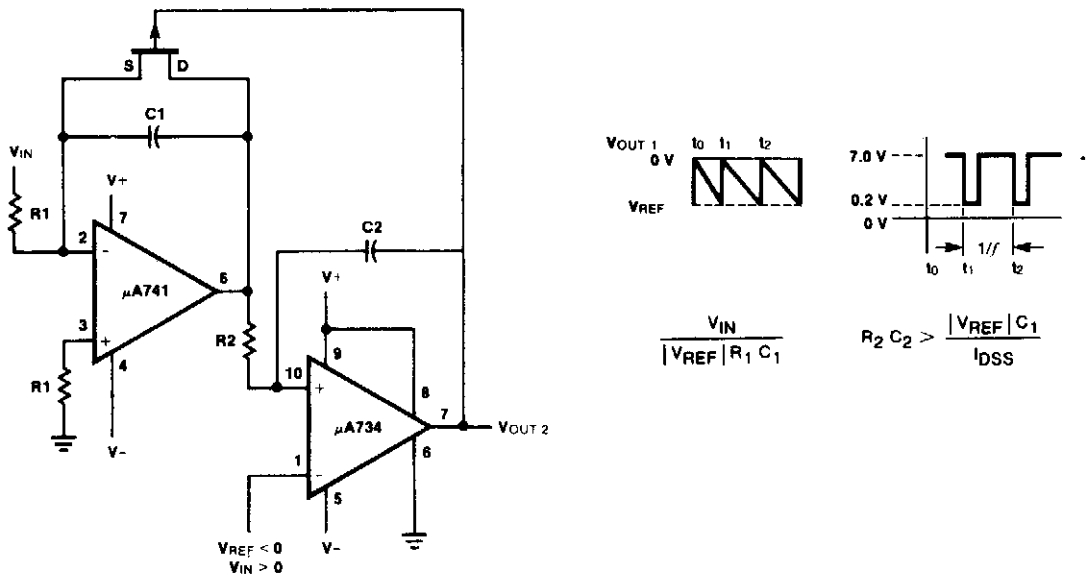


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Fig. 98-10

The varactorless VCO utilizes a modified Clapp-oscillator configuration, together with some data on the type of transistor, circuit values, and operating frequencies.

## VCO



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Fig. 98-11

Q1, an FET, is used as a variable resistance to control frequency of oscillator.

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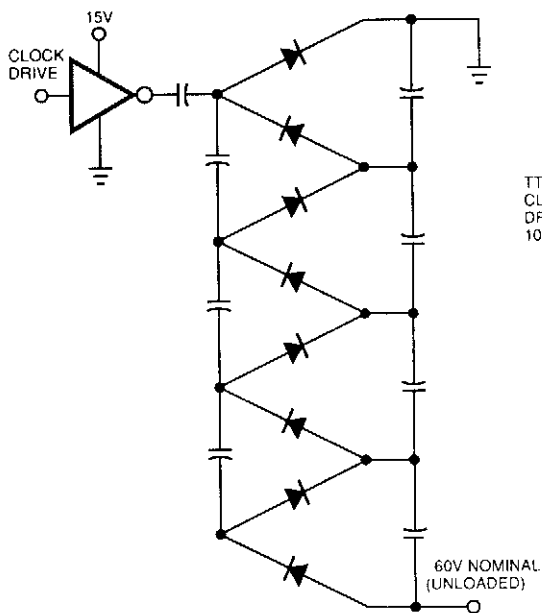
## Voltage Multiplier Circuits

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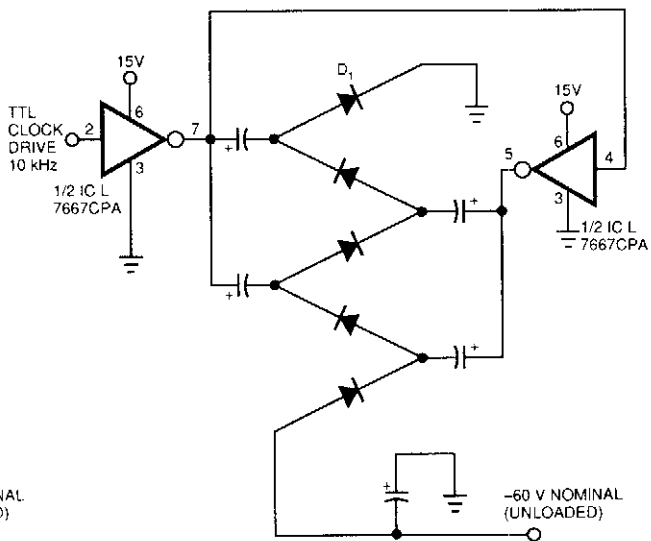
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Voltage Multiplier  
Corona Wind Generator  
10 000-Vdc Supply  
High-Voltage Negative-Ion Generator  
Voltage Doublers  
Cockcroft-Walton Cascaded Voltage Doubler  
2 000-V Low-Current/Power Supply  
Low-Current Voltage Tripler

## VOLTAGE MULTIPLIER



**Fig. 99-1(a)** EDN



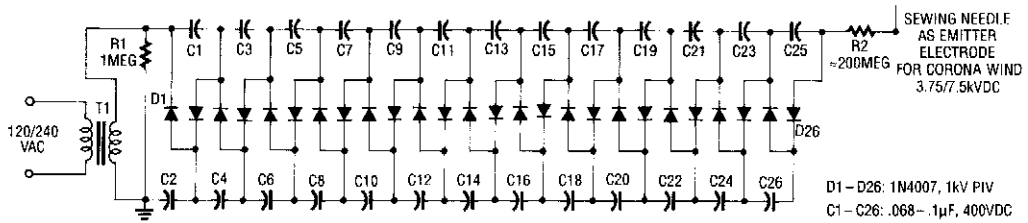
**Fig. 99-1(b)**

Figure 99-1(a)'s circuit exhibits a high-output impedance as a result of the small effective capacitance of the series-connected capacitors, and it exhibits considerable voltage loss due to all of the diode drops. Further, this circuit requires  $2n$  diodes and  $2n$  capacitors to produce a dc output voltage approximately  $n$  times the rail voltage.

Figure 99-1(b)'s circuit multiplies more effectively using fewer diodes and capacitors. The parallel arrangement of the capacitors lets you use smaller capacitors than those required in Fig. 99-1(a). Alternatively, when using the same capacitor values of Fig. 99-1(a), the output impedance will be lower.

Whereas the clock source directly drives only one of the two strings of capacitors in Fig. 99-1(a), Fig. 99-1(b)'s clock drives both strings with opposite phases. This drive scheme doubles the voltage per stage of two diodes. A final diode is necessary to pick off the dc output voltage because both strings of capacitors now carry the p-p ac input-voltage waveform. The ICL7667 dual-FET driver accepts a TTL drive swing and provides a low-impedance push-pull drive to the diode string. This low impedance is particularly helpful when using a long string to raise output voltage to more than 100 V, starting from a low rail voltage.

## CORONA WIND GENERATOR

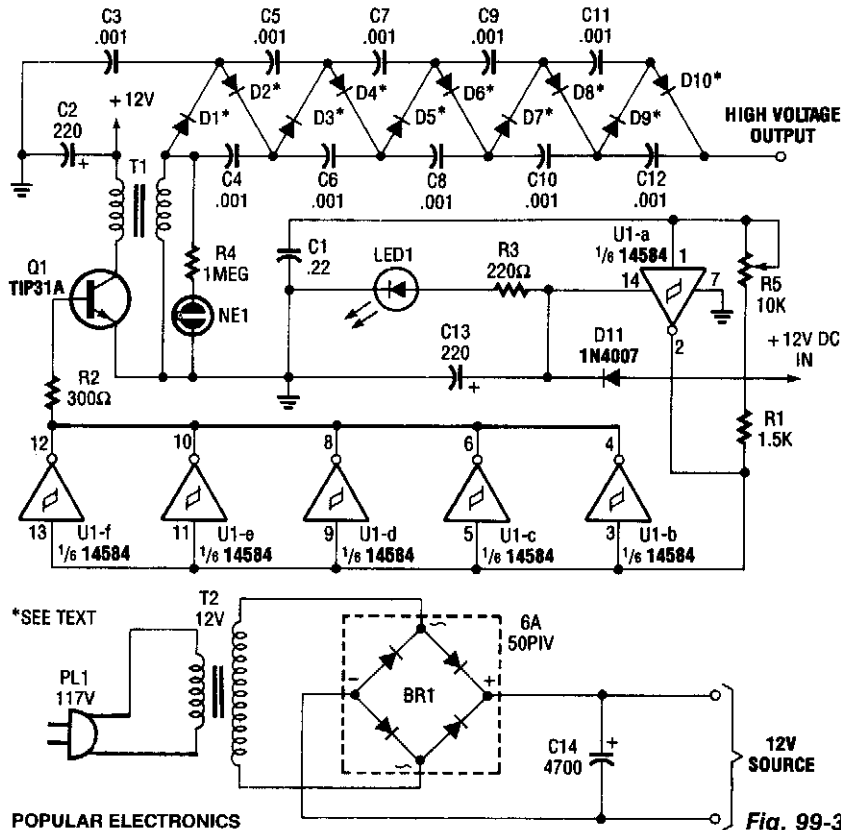


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**Fig. 99-2**

This 25-stage voltage doubler will generate "corona wind." It delivers 3.75 kVdc when powered from 120 Vac, or 7.5 kVdc when powered from 240 Vac.

## 10 000-Vdc SUPPLY



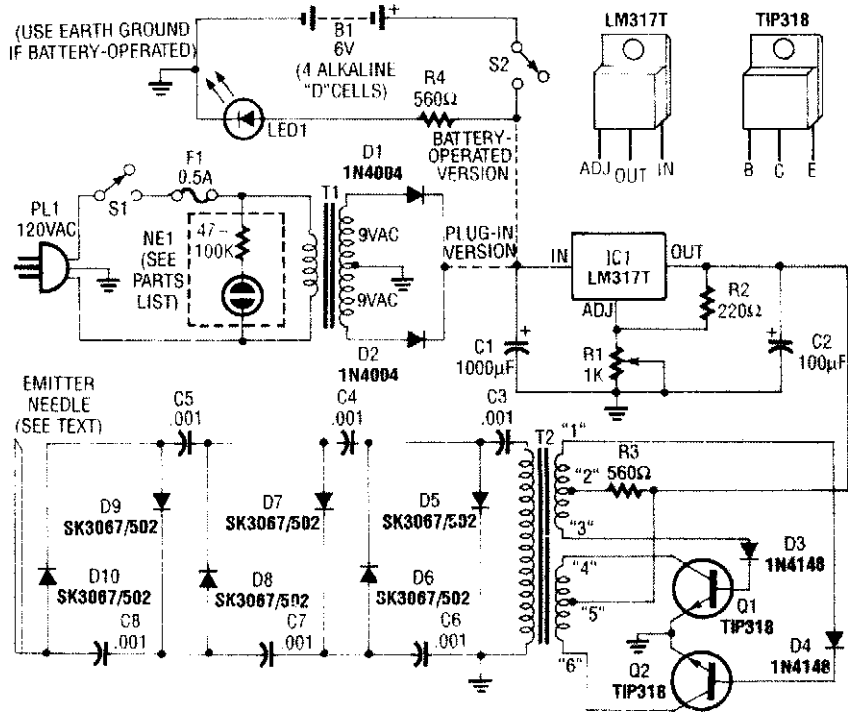
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**Fig. 99-3**

A CMOS oscillator (U1A) drives U1B through U1F, which drives Q1, which generates a 12-Vpp square wave across the primary of T1. This square wave is applied to a rectifier-multiplier circuit consisting of D1 through D10 (each is two 1N4007 diodes in series) and C3 through C12. About 10 kV is available.



## HIGH-VOLTAGE NEGATIVE-ION GENERATOR

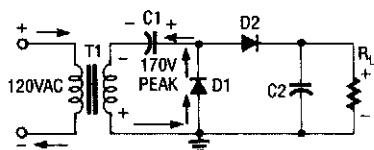


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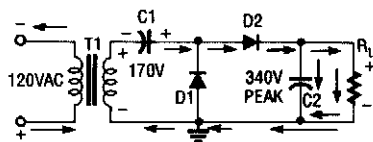
Fig. 99-4

A modified B/W TV flyback transformer is used in this circuit with a voltage multiplier to produce 9- to 14-kV negative voltage. This is connected to a discharge needle to produce negative ions.

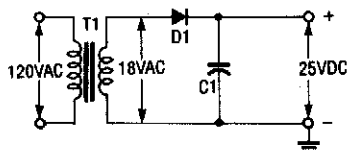
## VOLTAGE DOUBLERS



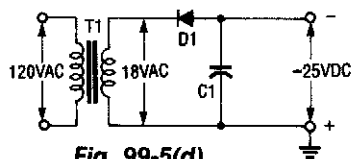
**Fig. 99-5(a)**



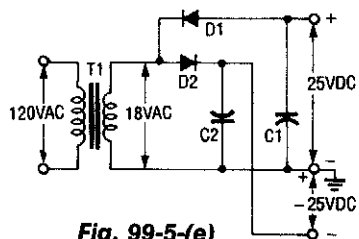
**Fig. 99-5(b)**



**Fig. 99-5(c)**



**Fig. 99-5(d)**

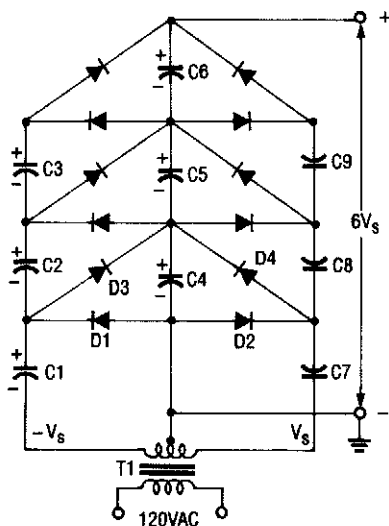


**Fig. 99-5(e)**

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**Fig. 99-5**

During the first half-cycle (Fig. 99-5(a)), D1 conducts, D2 cuts off, C1 charges to 170 V peak, and C2 discharges through  $R_L$ . For the second half-cycle (Fig. 99-5(b)), the input polarity is reversed, and both the input and C1 are in series, which produces 340 V (peak). Now, D1 cuts off, while D2 conducts, and the current divides between C2 and  $R_L$ ; the cycle then repeats. Two Half-Wave Rectifiers, one with a positive output (Fig. 99-5(c)) and one negative (Fig. 99-5(d)), combine to make a full-wave voltage doubler (Fig. 99-5(e)).



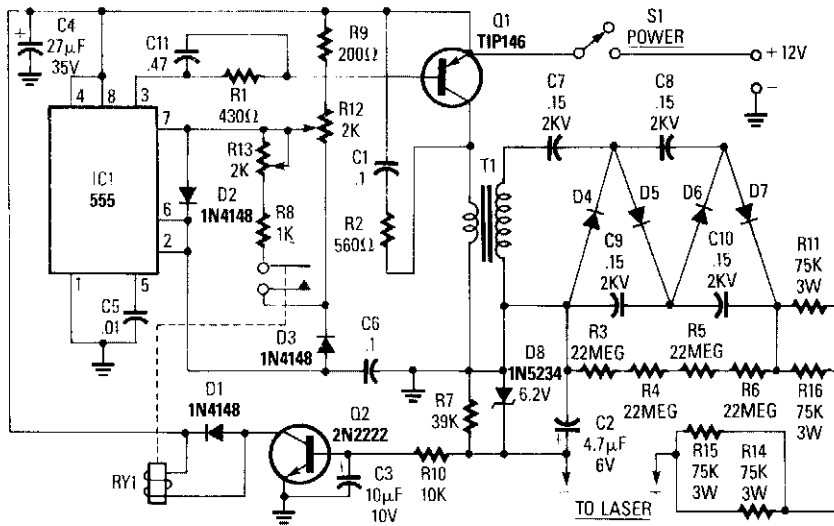
## COCKCROFT-WALTON CASCADED VOLTAGE DOUBLER

A center-tapped transformer of secondary voltage. Two  $V_s$  can be used to power a voltage multiplier. For higher voltages, simply add more sections.

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**Fig. 99-6**

## LASER POWER SUPPLY

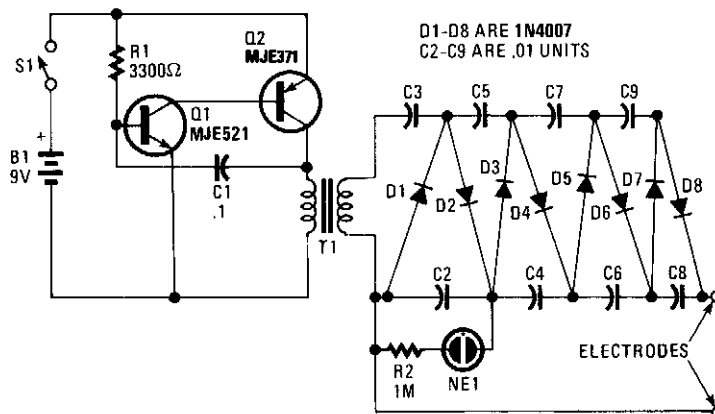


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 99-7

IC1 is a 555 timer running at about 16 kHz. This IC drives Q1, a TIP146, which produces a 12-V square wave across T1 primary. This produces between 800 and 2,000 V across the secondary, which is doubled to 3 to 5 kV. When the load (laser) on the power supply increases, current Q2 is turned on, which energizes RY1. This changes the duty cycle of the 555 timer. To adjust this supply, set R12 and R13 at the center. Adjust R12 until the laser tube triggers, and make sure that the relay pulls in. If the relay chatters, adjust R12. If the full-clockwise adjustment of R12 fails to ignite the tube, adjust R13.

## 2,000-V LOW-CURRENT POWER SUPPLY



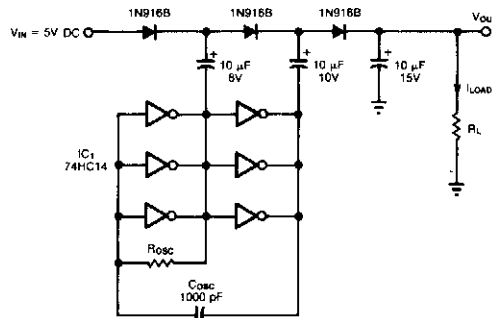
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Fig. 99-8

## 2,000-V LOW-CURRENT POWER SUPPLY (Cont.)

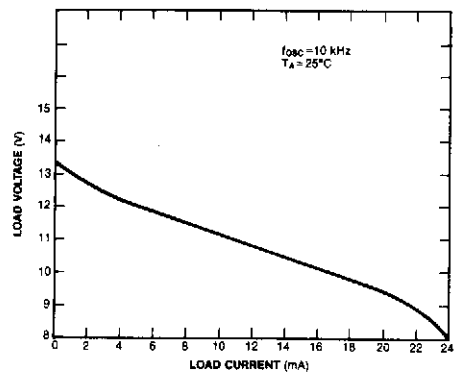
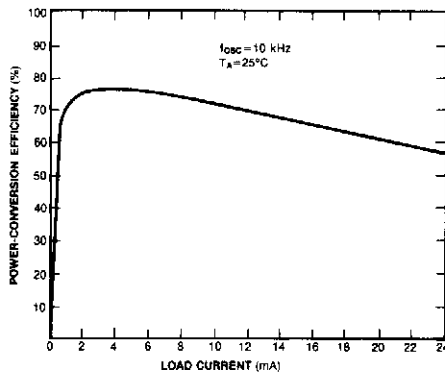
In this circuit Q1, Q2, R1, and C1 form a multivibrator. The square wave that results from the oscillation of this circuit (20 to 30 Vpp) is stepped up by T1 (an audio transformer of the type used in radios or small TVs). An 8- to 1,200- $\Omega$  impedance ratio equates to a turn ratio of 12:1. The ac from the secondary of T1 is applied to the multiplier circuit (D1 to D8 and C2 to C9). NE1/R2 are used as an operating indicator. The circuit will supply about 2,000 V. C2 to C9 should have a 400-V or higher voltage rating.

### LOW-CURRENT VOLTAGE TRIPLER



This circuit generates a 15V output by tripling  $V_{IN}$ .

(a)



These curves show Fig. 99-9(a)'s power-conversion efficiency and load voltage (b) vs load current.

(b)

(c)

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Fig. 99-9

Using a 74HC14 operating at 350 kHz, this voltage tripler delivers approximately 12 V from a 5-V supply.

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## Voltage-To-Frequency Converters

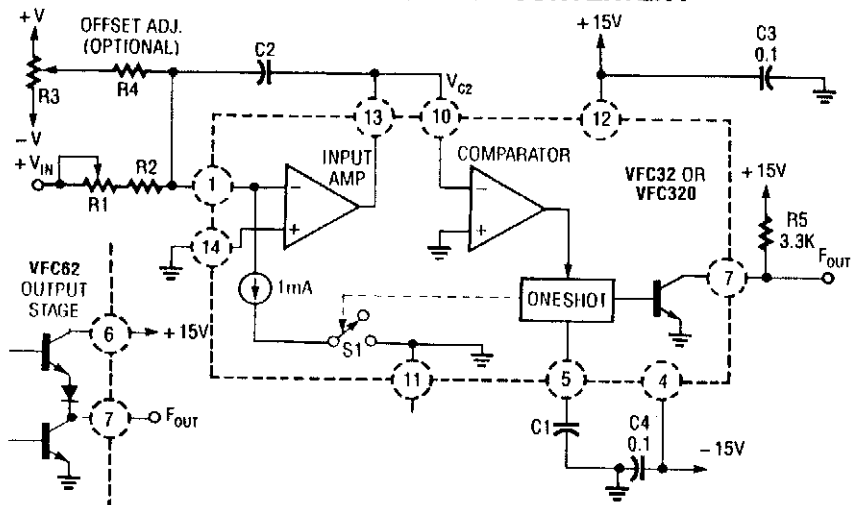
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 681. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Voltage-To-Frequency Converter I  
Voltage-To-Frequency Converter II  
Simple Low-Frequency V/F Converter  
Voltage-To-Frequency Converter with Optocoupler

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER I



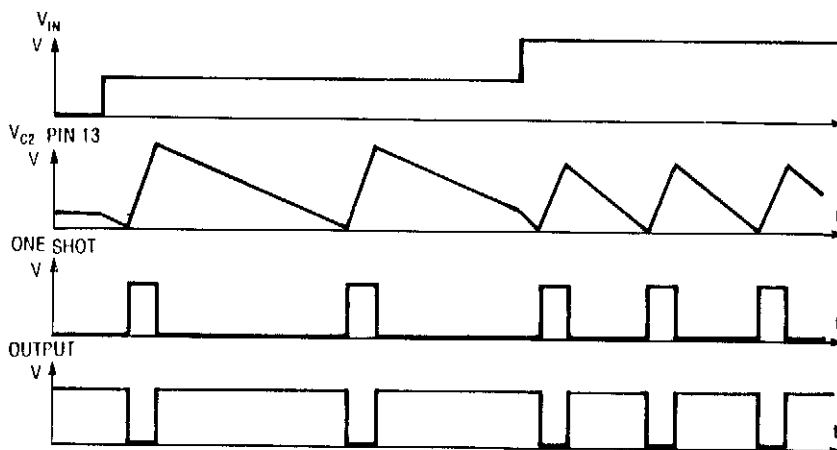
CIRCUIT VALUES

| Full-Scale Input | Full-Scale Frequency | C1      | C2            | R1 (ohms) | R2 (ohms) |
|------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 V              | 10 kHz               | 3300 pF | 0.01 $\mu$ F  | 1K        | 3K        |
| 10 V             | 10 kHz               | 3300 pF | 0.01 $\mu$ F  | 10K       | 30K       |
| 1 V              | 100 kHz              | 300 pF  | 0.001 $\mu$ F | 1K        | 3K        |
| 10 V             | 100 kHz              | 300 pF  | 0.001 $\mu$ F | 10K       | 30K       |

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 100-1

(a)

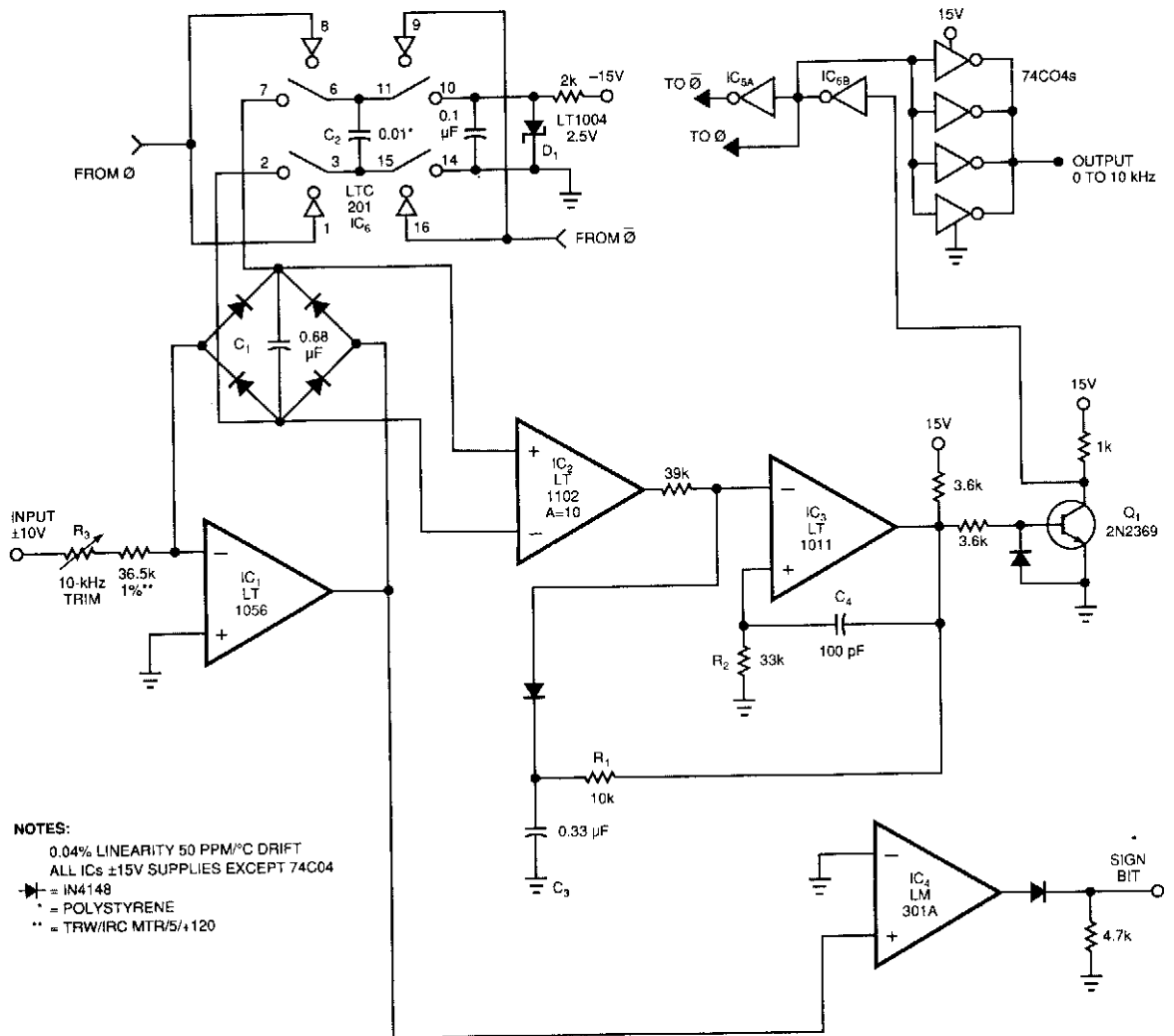


(b)

Using a Burr-Brown VFC 32 IC, this voltage-to-frequency converter uses few components. The circuit values are shown in the figure.

This charge-balanced V/F converter uses a VFC32 or a VFC320 IC. The positive charge from the 1-mA balances the negative charge from the input. V/F converter waveforms are shown in Fig. 100-1(b).

## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER II



**Fig. 100-2**

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This voltage-to-frequency converter (VFC) accepts the bipolar-ac inputs. For  $-10$ - to  $+10$ -V inputs, the converter produces a proportional 0- to 10-kHz output. Linearity is 0.04%, and temperature coefficient (TC) measures about 50 ppm/°C.

To understand the circuit, assume that its input sees a bipolar square wave. During the input's positive phase, IC1's output swings negative and drives current through C1 via the full-wave diode bridge. IC1's current causes C1's voltage to ramp up linearly. Instrumentation amplifier IC2 operates at a gain of 10 and measures the differential voltage across C1.

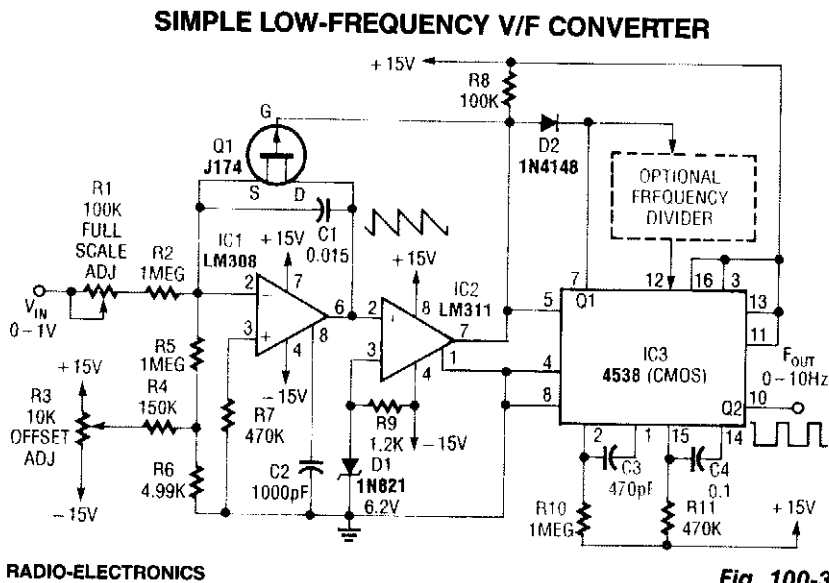
## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER II (Cont.)

IC2's output biases comparator IC3's negative input. When IC2's output crosses zero, IC3 fires and provides positive feedback to IC3's positive input and hangs up IC3's output for about 20  $\mu$ s. The Q1 level shifter drives ground-referred inverters IC5A and IC5B to deliver biphasic drive to LT1004 switch IC6.

IC6, configured as a charge pump, places C2 across C1 each time the inverters switch, which resets C1 to a lower voltage. The LT1004 reference (D1), along with C2's value, determines how much charge the charge pump removes from C1 each time the charge pump cycles. Thus, each time IC2's output tries to cross zero, the charge pump switches C2 across C1, which resets C1 to a small negative voltage and forces IC1 to begin recharging C1.

The frequency of this oscillatory behavior is directly proportional to the input-derived current into IC1. During the time that C1 is ramping toward zero, IC6 places C2 across the reference diode (D1), and prepares C2 for the next discharge cycle.

The action is the same for negative-input excursions, except that IC1's output phasing is reversed. IC2, looking differentially across IC1's diode bridge, sees the same signal as it does for positive inputs; therefore, the circuit's action is identical. IC4, detecting IC1's output polarity, provides a signal bid output.

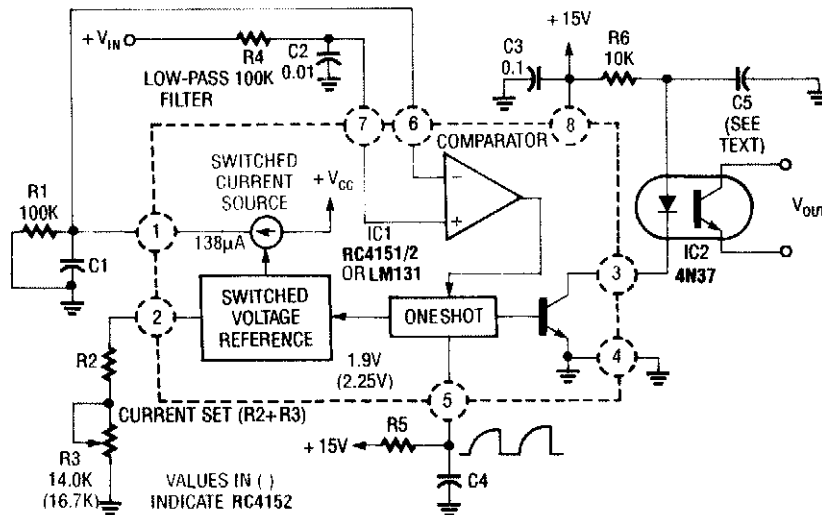


In this circuit, C1 is charged to a fixed reference level, then discharged. Integrator IC1 circuit charges C1 until IC1 has  $-6.2\text{-V}$  output, when comparator IC2 outputs a low. FET Q1, triggers one-section monostable multivibrator IC3, pulls pin 3 low for 470  $\mu$ s, ensuring that Q1 completely discharges C1. The other section of IC3 produces a longer pulse of about 47 ms.

Full scale of this circuit is 10 Hz. For lower output pulse rates, a counter circuit can be inserted between the sections of IC3. Notice that because C1 does not integrate while Q1 is biased on, this circuit has an error in the output period, which must be as short as possible. Therefore, the circuit's use is limited to low frequencies.



## VOLTAGE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER WITH OPTOCOUPLER



CIRCUIT VALUES

| Full-Scale Input | Full-Scale Frequency | C1          | C4            | R5 (ohms) |
|------------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| 10 V             | 1 kHz                | 10 $\mu$ F  | 0.1 $\mu$ F   | 6.8K      |
| 10 V             | 10 kHz               | 1 $\mu$ F   | 0.01 $\mu$ F  | 6.8K      |
| 10 V             | 100 kHz              | 0.1 $\mu$ F | 0.001 $\mu$ F | 6.8K      |

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 100-4

In this circuit, a Raytheon RC4151 or National LM131 is used in conjunction with an optocoupler for applications where input-to-output isolation is desirable. Circuit values are shown in the figure for various applications.

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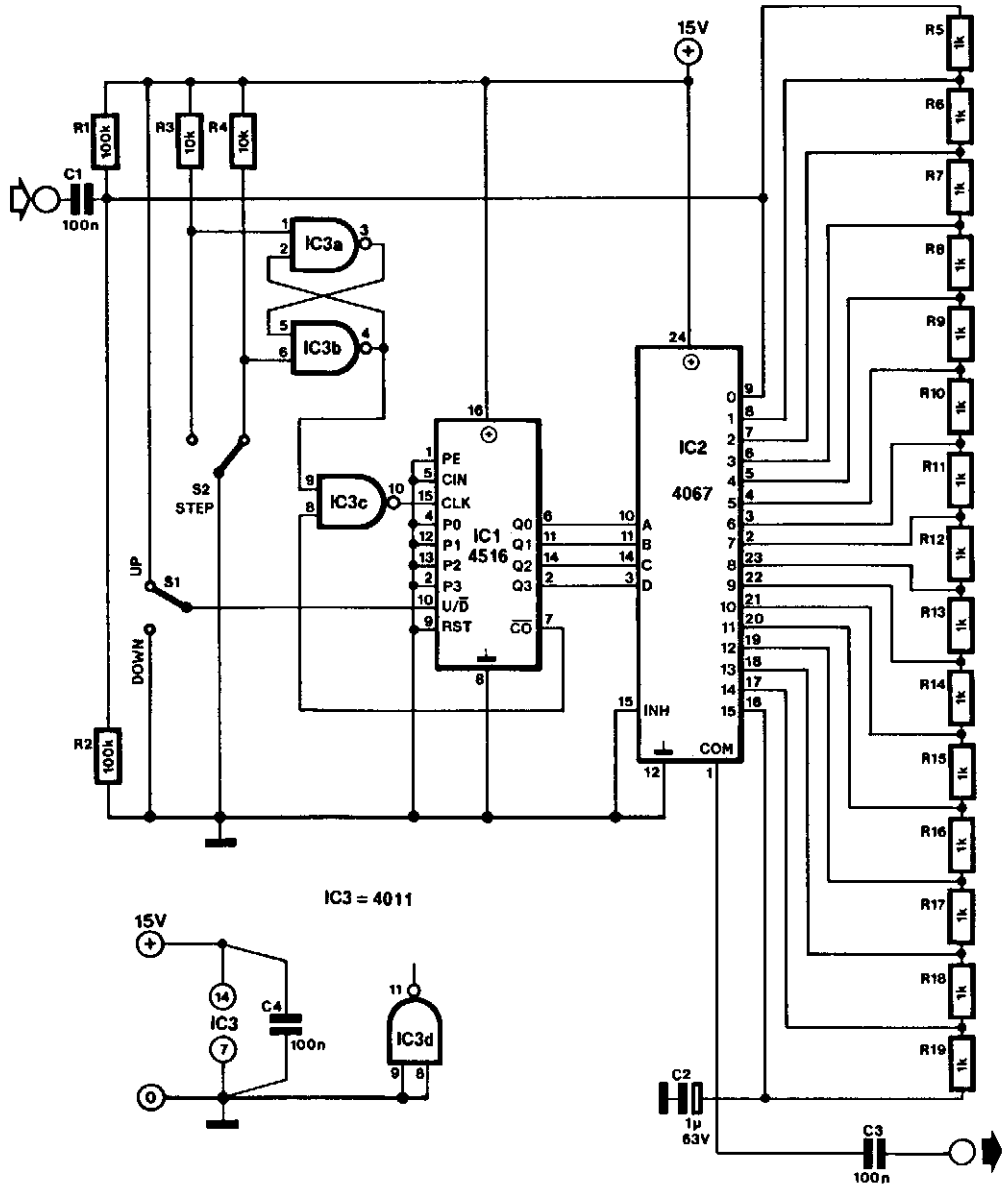
## Volume/Level-Control Circuit

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 681. The figure number in the box correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Digital Volume Control

# DIGITAL VOLUME CONTROL



## DIGITAL VOLUME CONTROL (Cont.)

The heart of the digitally operated volume control is IC2, a 4067 16-channel analog multiplexer. Depending on the logic state on pins A, B, C, and D of the multiplexer, one of its 16 inputs or outputs is connected to pin 1, which is the "wiper" of the control.

Because a 1-k $\Omega$  resistor has been connected between each input and output, the multiplexer can be considered a linear potentiometer with 16 fixed steps. Its overall resistance is 15 k $\Omega$ . It is, of course, possible to use a different value for each of the resistors to obtain a different characteristic.

The setting of the potentiometer is controlled by counter IC1. Dependent on the position of switch S1, the counter moves one step up or down when switch S1 is changed over. Circuits IC3A and IC3B debounce S2.

A jump from 0000 to 1111 or the other way around is not possible, because further count pulses are suppressed with the aid of the  $\overline{CO}$  line. This line is logic low when both the counter state and signal  $U/\overline{D}$  are 0.

When  $U/\overline{D}$  is high and the counter state is 15,  $\overline{CO}$  again becomes logic low. It is then necessary to reverse the logic state at  $U/\overline{D}$ , and thus the direction of counting. The volume control draws a current of around 1 mA.

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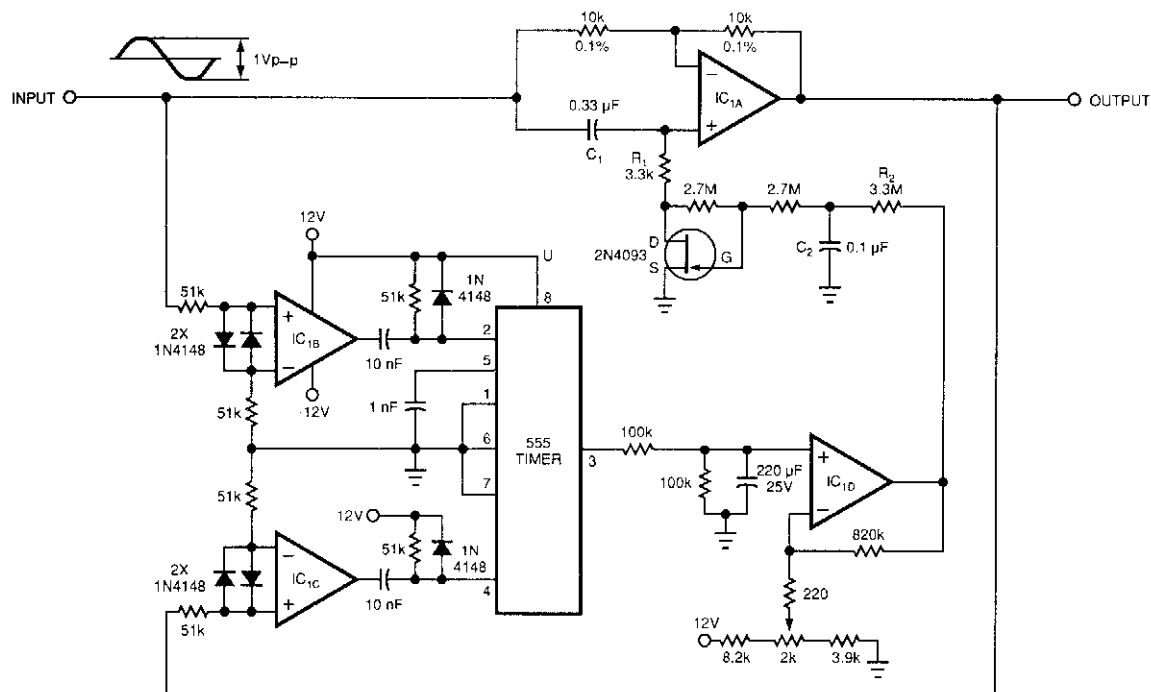
## Wave-Shaping Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 681. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Phase Shifter
- Glitch-Free Clipper
- Signal Conditioner
- Harmonic Generator
- Full-Wave Rectifier (to 10 MHz)
- Capacitor Allows Higher Slew Rates
- S/R Flip-Flop

## PHASE SHIFTER



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**Fig. 102-1**

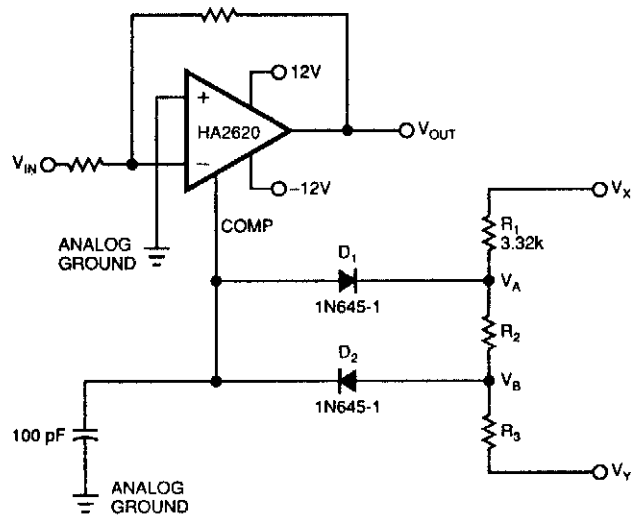
This circuit adds 120 degrees of phase shift to a 50- or 60-Hz input, regardless of the frequency and amplitude fluctuations of that input. The circuit configures a 2N4093 JFET as a voltage-controlled resistor whose value is proportional to the phase difference between the input and the output. The values of  $C_1$ ,  $R_1$ , and  $r_{DS}$  determine the amount of phase shift ( $120^\circ$  this case.)

A 555 timer implements a phase detector whose two inputs are related to the input and output. The input and output, respectively, drive IC1B and IC1C, which operate as zero-crossing detectors. D1 and D2 limit the positive-going pulses at the 555 inputs. Thus, the falling edges of IC1B and IC1C's outputs control the 555 timer. The timer's output signal stays low for a time that is proportional to the phase shift between the circuit's input and output.

The average value of the timer's output and an offsetting voltage drive IC1D. R2 and C2 filter IC1D's output. The resultant signal controls the JFET. The potentiometer sets the control at a value for which the phase shift between input and output is equal to 120 degrees when the input signal frequency is 50 or 60 Hz. Any differences between the input and output changes the 555 output's average value, thus ultimately modifying the control voltage and the JFET's resistance.

To calibrate the circuit, apply a 50-Hz sine wave with an amplitude of less than 1 Vpp to the input and adjust the potentiometer until the phase shift reads  $120^\circ$  on a digital phase meter. For input frequency variations between 40 and 60 Hz, the phase shift changed by a maximum of  $\pm 0.17\%$  (equivalent to an offset of only  $0.02^\circ/\text{Hz}$ ). The average value at IC1D's noninverting input is 3.864 V.

## GLITCH-FREE CLIPPER



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Fig. 102-2

Adding a simple clamping circuit to a Harris 2620 high-speed op amp produces a glitch-free amplifier/clipper. The op amp pin that controls the device's bandwidth is a high-impedance, isolated input. This pin also tracks the device's output voltage.

Therefore, D1, D2, R1, R2, and R3 will clamp the amplifier's output voltage only when the amplifier's input voltage exceeds your clamping-voltage limits.  $V_D$  is the diode drop of D1 or D2. The two clamp voltages,  $V_A + V_D$  and  $V_B - V_D$ , are:

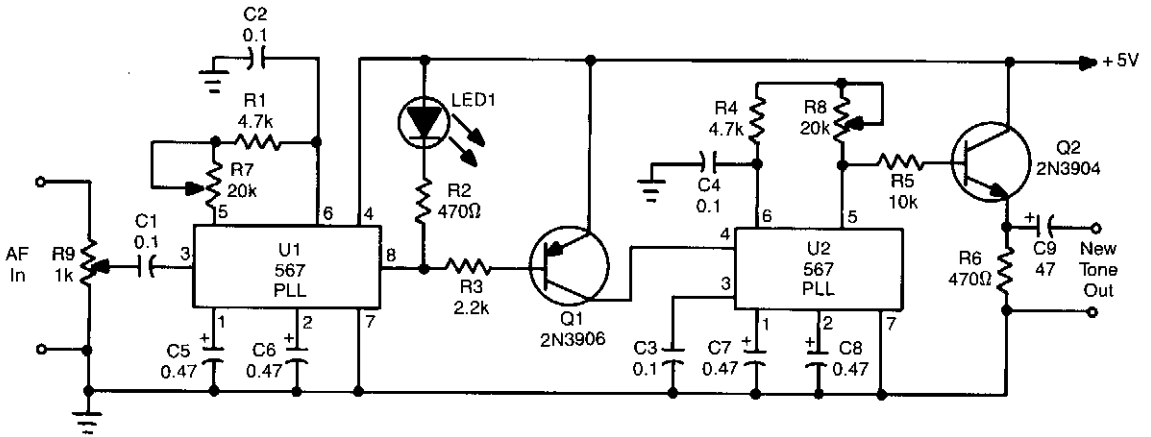
$$V_A = V_X \left( \frac{R_2 + R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \right) + V_Y \left( \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \right)$$

$$V_B = V_X \left( \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \right) + V_Y \left( \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \right)$$

where  $V_X$  and  $V_Y$  are the clamping circuit's bias voltages. Choosing  $R_1$  lets you determine the values of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ . Try a value for  $R_1$  around 3 k $\Omega$ .

One example of this circuit had clamping voltages of  $\pm 3.7$  V and exhibited THD below -75 dB for a sinusoidal, 30-kHz input signal. When the input signal increased beyond the  $\pm 3.7$ -V clamping voltage, the clipper symmetrically clamped the output voltage with no glitches in the waveform.

## SIGNAL CONDITIONER

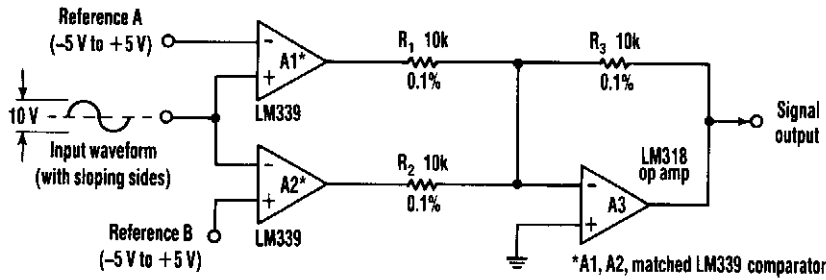


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 102-3

This circuit takes audio from a receiver that might have a weak CW or tone signal and uses a PLL (U1) to recover the weak signal. U1 produces a low on receipt of a tone or note of frequency, determined by R1, R7, and C2. The output of U1 (pin 8) goes low, keys tone generator U2, and produces a new tone. The circuit is useful in cleaning up CW reception in static, noise, etc.

## HARMONIC GENERATOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

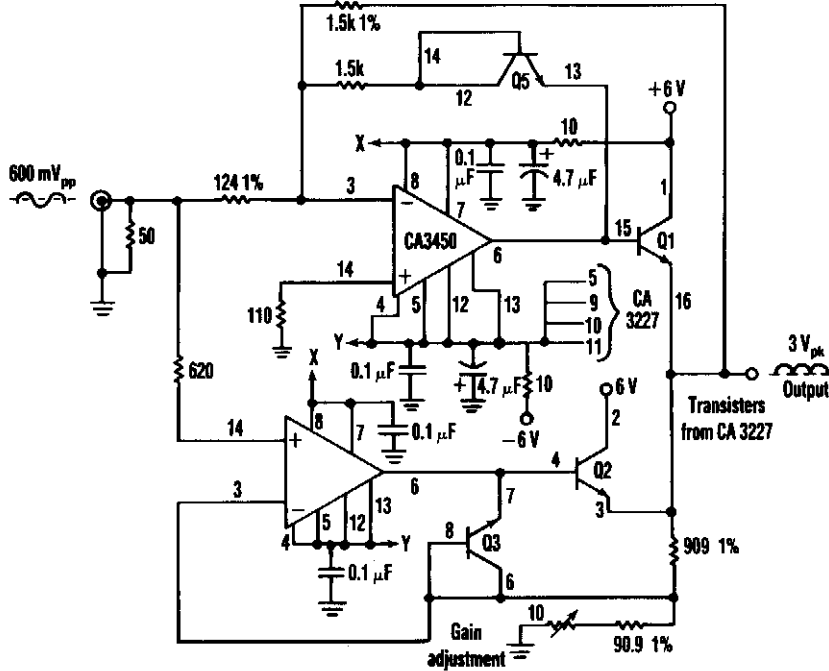
Fig. 102-4

This circuit can extract harmonics from various waveforms. With a sloped input waveform, the comparator produces a pulse width that is proportional to a reference plus input amplitude. As the pulse width changes, the harmonics spectrum changes. Combining the two comparator outputs eliminates some harmonics, depending on the duty cycle. Adjusting the references can create virtually any harmonic.

A1 and A2 should be matched, R1 and R2 should be equal to 0.1%, and A3 should have good common-mode rejection and high slew rate.



## FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER (TO 10 MHz)

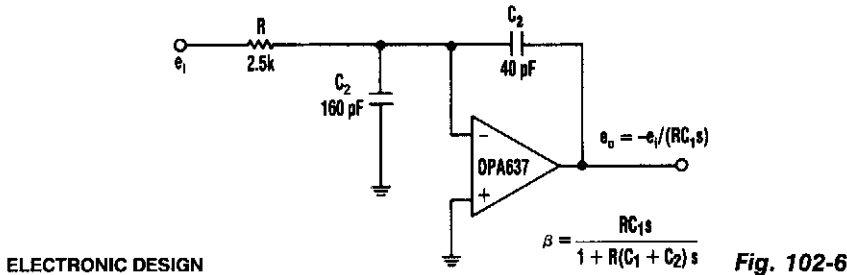


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 102-5

Using two CA3450 op amps and a CA3227 transistor array, this circuit will accurately full-wave rectify signals to 10 MHz. Two of the CA3227 transistors drive the output, two are in the feedback circuits. Two transistors serve as clamping diodes, limit the negative-going signals of each amplifier, and keep both amplifiers active during the end cycle. The maximum output is determined by the slew rate of 300 V/μs at highest frequencies. This output equals 300 V/ms ÷ 6π V peak.

## CAPACITOR ALLOWS HIGHER SLEW RATES



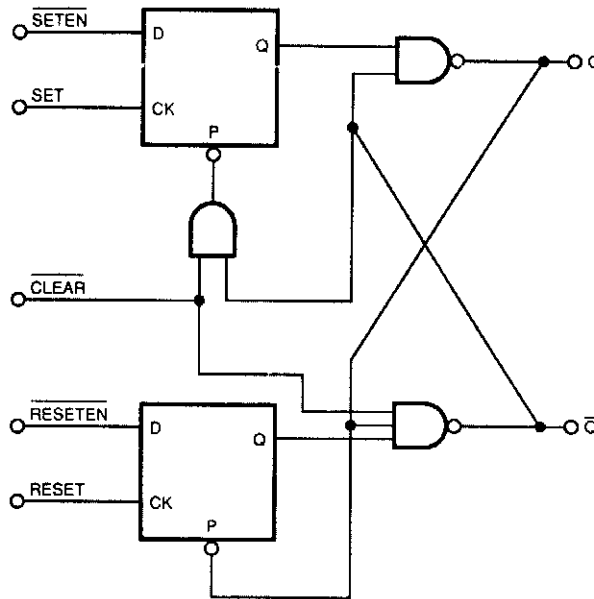
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 102-6

In this circuit, a Burr-Brown op amp supplies a slew rate of 135 V/μs. The addition of  $C_2$  charges the high-frequency feedback factor to less than unity, and allows higher slew-rate amplifiers to be compensated for greater-than-unity gain.

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## S/R FLIP-FLOP



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Fig. 102-7

This circuit combines the characteristics of an asynchronous S/R flip-flop and an edge-triggered JK flip-flop. It changes state on the leading edges of its inputs, and ignores the levels at all other times.

In operation, outputs of both D flip-flops are normally high, going low for brief periods after seeing an edge at their respective clock inputs.

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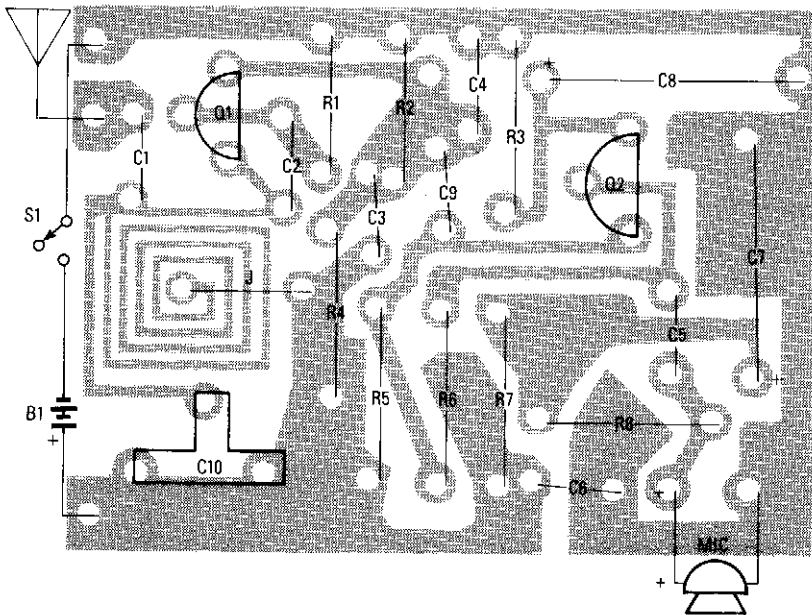
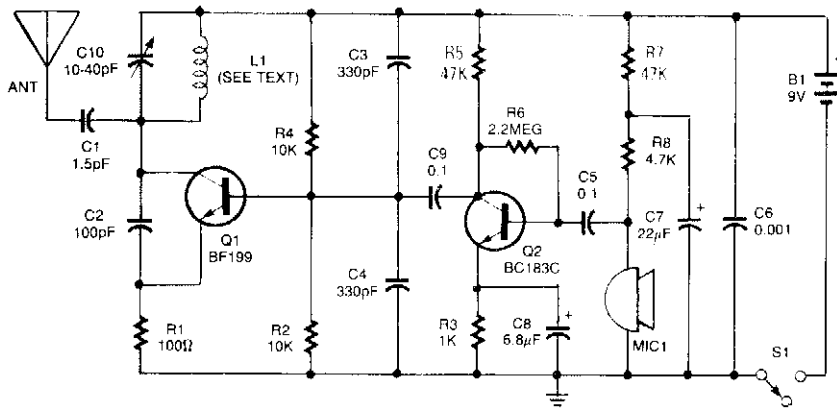
## Wireless Microphones

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Wireless FM Microphone  
Wireless Microphone

## WIRELESS FM MICROPHONE



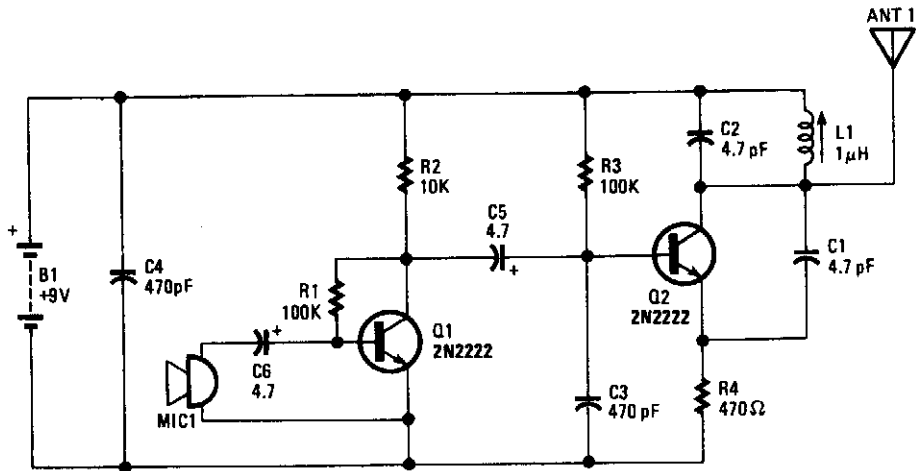
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 103-1

A simple FM wireless microphone uses a single BC183C transistor as an audio amplifier. A 2N3565 can be substituted. Q1 is an oscillator that is FM modulated by the signal from Q1. Other transistors can be substituted, but the modulation characteristics should be checked.

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## WIRELESS MICROPHONE



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 103-2

Q1 amplifies the output from an electret microphone MIC1. Audio is fed into oscillator Q2, which modulates the signal. L1C1 is a tank circuit for operation in the 88-MHz region. The antenna is a 6- to 8-inch piece of wire. L1 is a variable inductor in the 1- $\mu$ H range.

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## Window Circuits

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Low-Cost Window Comparator

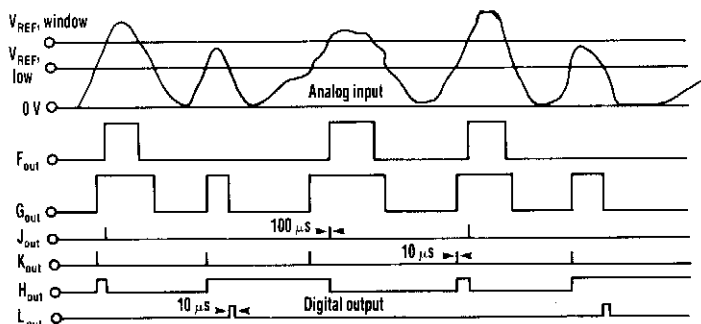
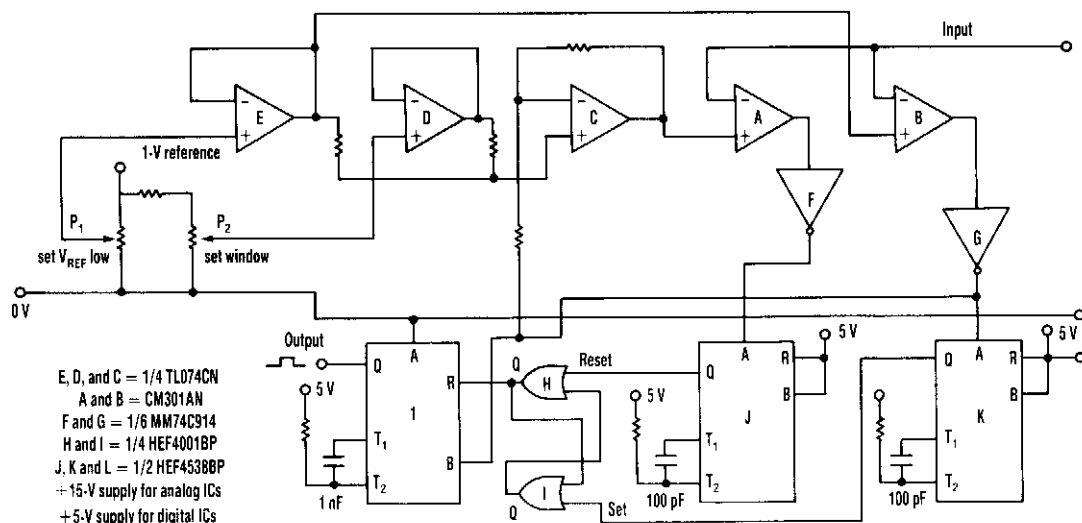
Window Generator

Window Comparators

Window Detector

Voltage Comparators

## LOW-COST WINDOW COMPARATOR



**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**Fig. 104-1**

This circuit outputs a TTL-compatible 100- $\mu$ s pulse whenever the signal falls within the limits set by potentiometers and can be varied to suit the application.

Op amps, E, D, and C are used with the two potentiometers to supply reference voltages, derived from a 1-V precision source, for two other op amps (A and B) configured as voltage comparators. The input signal is taken to the negative inputs of both these comparators. C is wired as a noninverting summing amp, used to derive the higher reference voltage. Consequently, the acceptance window is set. Because the voltage across potentiometer P2 is 0.5 V, the window can be set between 0 and 0.5 V above the value chosen for the lower reference value. The lower value is set by P1.

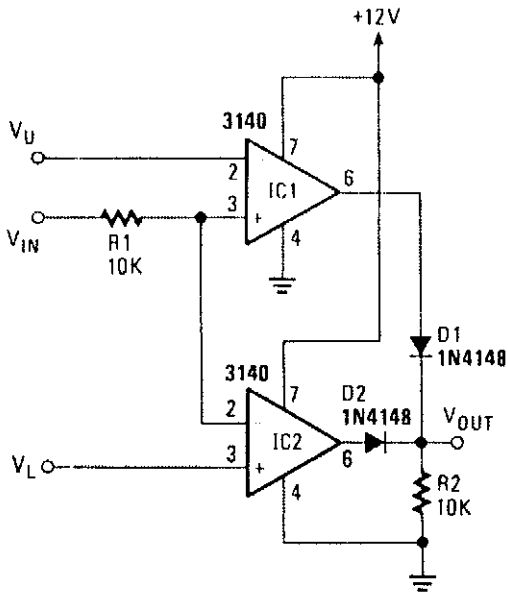
The outputs from the comparators are sent to the inputs of inverting Schmitt triggers F and G. Although these triggers operate from a 5-V supply, they have an extended input-voltage range and are capable of handling the comparator's output voltage swings.

The two monostables, J and K, are triggered on the rising edge of the Schmitt outputs. J and K set and reset the bistable latch formed by two NOR gates. Latch output Q controls the reset of output



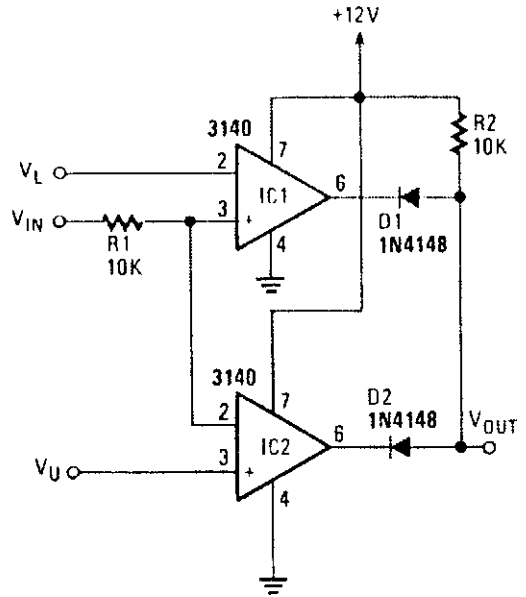


## WINDOW COMPARATORS



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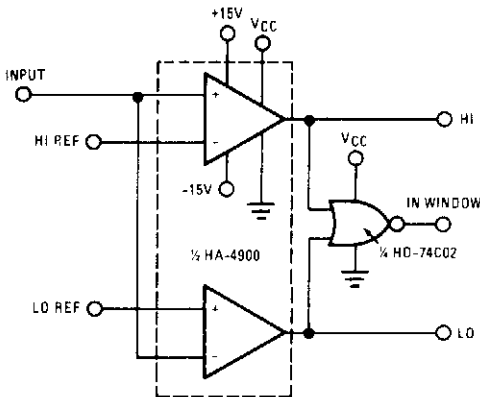


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**Fig. 104-3(b)**

In Fig. 104-3(a), when  $V_{IN}$  is between reference voltages  $V_L$  and  $V_U$ , output  $V_{OUT}$  goes low. If  $V_{IN} > V_L$ , IC2 produces a low. Because IC1 outputs low, if  $V_{IN} > V_U$ , both outputs are low and  $V_{OUT}$  is low. If  $V_{IN} < V_L$ , both IC1 and IC2 are low. Figure 104-3(b) operates the reverse of this; it produces a high when  $V_L < V_{IN} < V_U$ .

## WINDOW DETECTOR

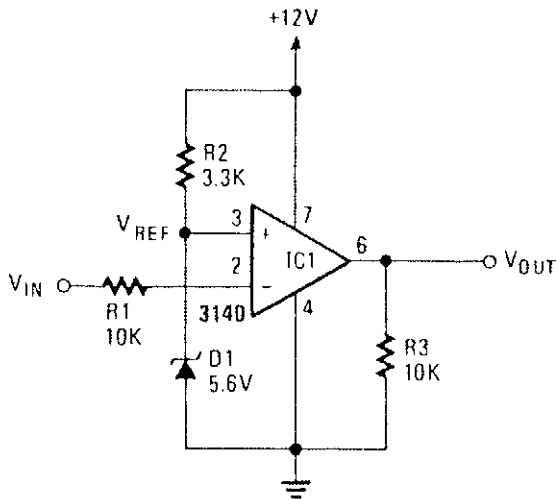


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**Fig. 104-4**

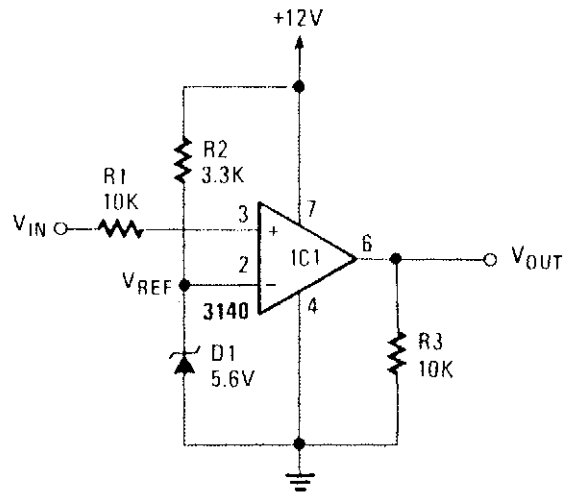
The high switching speed, low offset current and low offset voltage of the HA-4900 series make this window detector extremely well-suited for applications that require fast, accurate decision-making. This circuit is ideal for industrial-process system-feedback controllers, or "out-of-limit" alarm indicators.

## VOLTAGE COMPARATORS



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Fig. 104-5(a)



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Fig. 104-5(b)

These two comparators are over- and under-voltage comparators. In Fig. 104-5(a), if  $V_{IN}$  exceeds the reference voltage, the output of IC1 goes low. In Fig. 104-5(b), if the  $V_{IN}$  exceeds the reference,  $V_{OUT}$  goes high.

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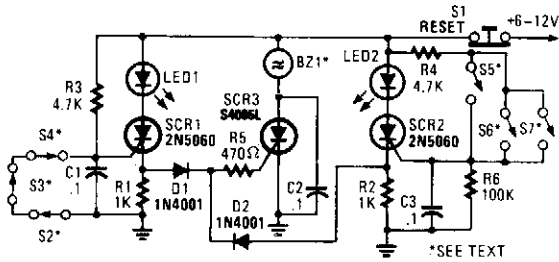
## Alarm and Security Circuits

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|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| High-Power Alarm Driver        | Exit Delay for Burglar Alarms                 |
| Multi-Loop Parallel Alarm      | 555-Based Alarm                               |
| Series/Parallel Loop Alarm     | Light-Beam Alarm for Intrusion Detection      |
| Parallel Loop Alarm            | Light-Activated Alarm with Latch              |
| Closed-Loop Alarm              | Precision Light-Activated Alarm               |
| Delayed Alarm                  | Dark-Activated Alarm with Pulsed Tone Output  |
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| Strobe Alert System            | Precision Light Alarm with Hysteresis         |
| Warble Alarm                   | High-Output Pulsed-Tone/Light-Activated Alarm |
| Audio Alarm                    | Self-Latching Light Alarm with Tone Output    |
| No-Doze Alarm                  | Alarm Sounder for Flex Switch                 |
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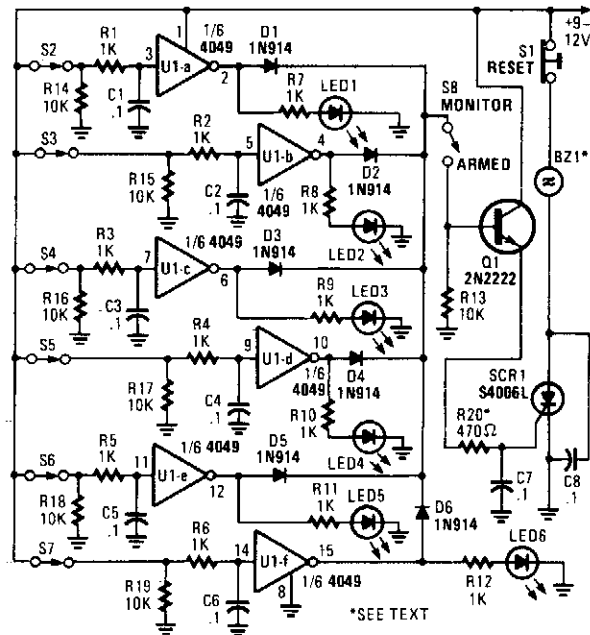


In this circuit, a low-powered SCR is used to trigger a higher powered SCR. When a switch is opening (S2, S3, S4) or closing (S5, S6, S7), either SCR1 or SCR2 triggers. This triggers SCR3 via D1, D2, and R5. BZ1 is a high-powered alarm of the noninterrupting type.

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FIG. 1-1

## MULTI-LOOP PARALLEL ALARM

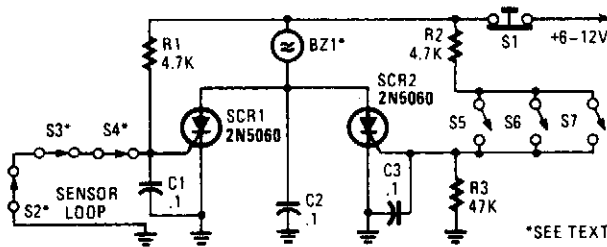


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FIG. 1-2

This alarm has status LEDs connected across each inverter output to indicate the status of its associated sensor. S8 is used to monitor the switches via the LEDs, or to trigger an alarm via Q1 and SCR1. BZ1 should be a suitable alarm of the noninterrupting type.

## SERIES/PARALLEL LOOP ALARM

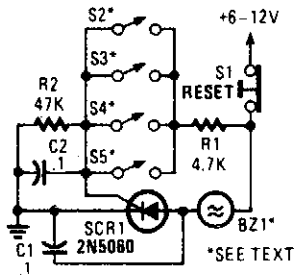


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FIG. 1-3

Two SCRs are used with two sensor loops. One loop uses series switches, the other loop parallel switches. When a switch actuation occurs, the SCR triggers. The alarm should be a noninterrupting type.

### PARALLEL LOOP ALARM

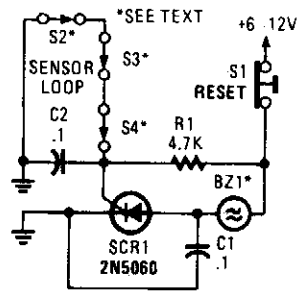


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FIG. 1-4

Four parallel switches are used to monitor four positions. When a closure occurs on any switch, SCR1 triggers, which sounds the alarm. The alarm should be of the noninterrupting type.

### CLOSED-LOOP ALARM

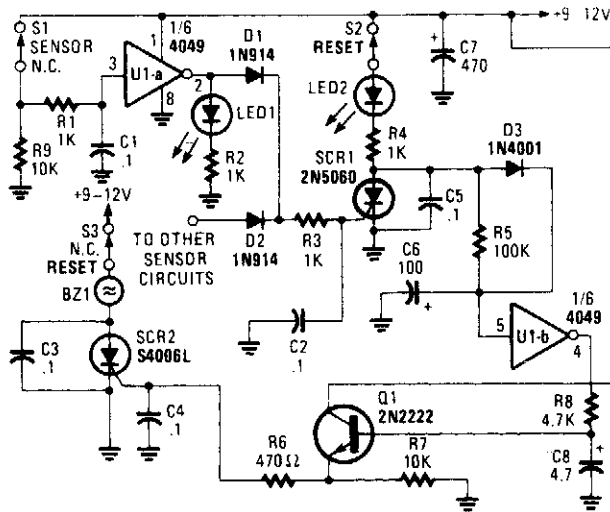


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FIG. 1-5

A string of three series-connected, normally closed switches are connected across the gate of an SCR. When one opens, the SCR triggers via R1, sounding an alarm. The alarm should be of the noninterrupting type.

## DELAYED ALARM



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FIG. 1-6

The alarm/sensor circuit shown is built around two SCRs, a transistor, a 4049 hex inverter, and a few support components, all of which combine to form a closed-loop detection circuit with a delay feature. The delay feature allows you to enter a protected area and deactivate the circuit before the sounder goes off.

Assuming that the protected area has not been breached (i.e., S1 is in its normally-closed position), when power is first applied to the circuit, a positive voltage is applied to the input of U1-a through S1 and R1, causing its output to go low. That low is applied to the gate of SCR1, causing it to remain off. At the same time, C6 rapidly charges toward the +V supply rail through S2, LED2, R4, and D3. The charge on C6 pulls pin 5 of U1-b high, causing its output at pin 4 to be low. That low is applied to the base of Q1, keeping it off. Because no trigger voltage is applied to the gate of SCR2 (via Q1), the SCR remains off and BZ1 does not sound.

But should S1 open, the input of U1-a is pulled low via R9, forcing the output of U1-a high, lighting LED1. That high is also applied to the gate of SCR1 through D1 and R3, causing SCR1 to turn on. With SCR1 conducting, the charge on C6 decays, the input of U1-b at pin 5 is pulled low, forcing its output high, slowing charging C8 through R8 to a voltage slightly less than the positive supply rail.

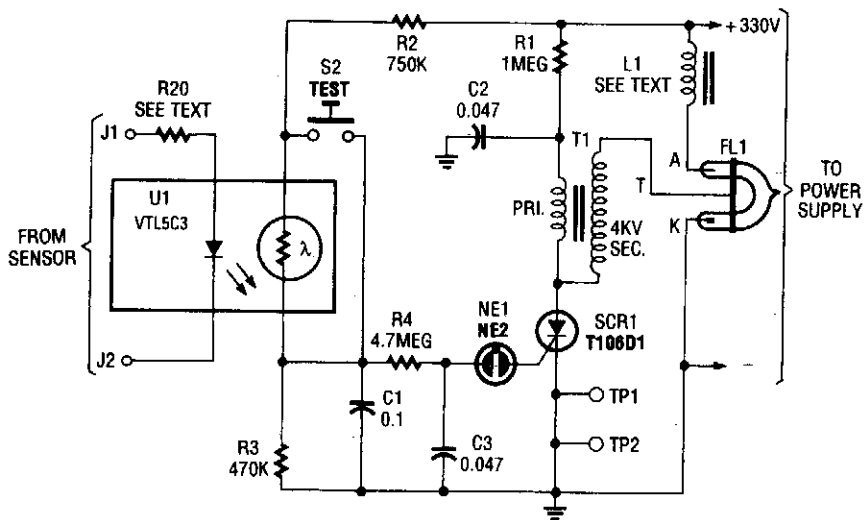
Transistor Q1 remains off until C8 has charged to a level sufficient to bias Q1 on, allowing sufficient time to enter the protected area and disable the alarm before it sounds. Once C8 has developed a sufficient charge, Q1 turns on and supplies gate current to SCR2 through R6, causing the SCR to turn on and activate BZ1. If the circuit is reset before the delay has timed out, no alarm will sound.

The delay time can be lengthened by increasing the value of either or both C6 and R5; decreasing the value of either or both of those components will shorten the delay time.

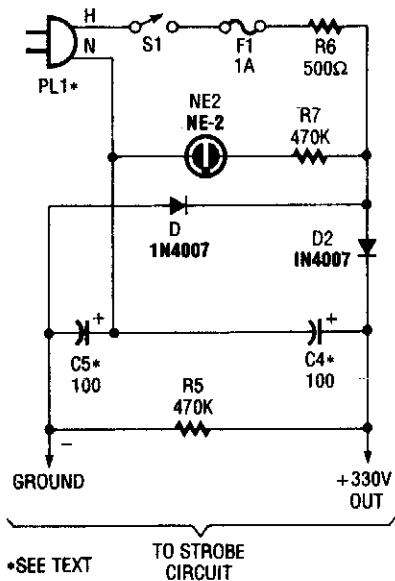
All of the switches used in the circuit are of the normally-closed (NC) variety. Switch S1 can be any type of NC security switch. Switch S2 can be either a pushbutton or toggle switch. Because S3 is used to disable the sounder (BZ1) only, anything from a key-operated security switch to a hidden toggle switch can be used.



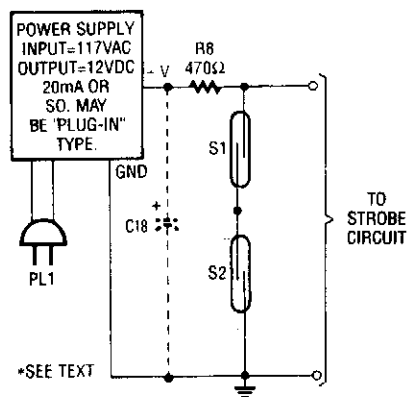
## STROBE ALERT SYSTEM



**A**



**B**



**C**

The circuit is activated by an LED/photoresistor isolator (U1), which is a combination of a light-dependent resistor (LDR) and an LED in a single package. That device was chosen because of its high isolation (2000 V) characteristic, which is necessary because the strobe part of the circuit is directly connected to the ac line.

## STROBE ALERT SYSTEM (Cont.)

The voltage divider is formed by R2, U1's internal resistance, and R3. When U1's internal LED is off, U1's internal LDR has a very high resistance—on the order of 10 M $\Omega$ . The voltage applied to NE1 is considerably below its ignition voltage of approximately 90 Vdc.

The optoisolator's internal LED is activated by a dc signal supplying 20 mA. The external sensor(s) that supply the signal are connected to the strobe part of the circuit at J1 and J2.

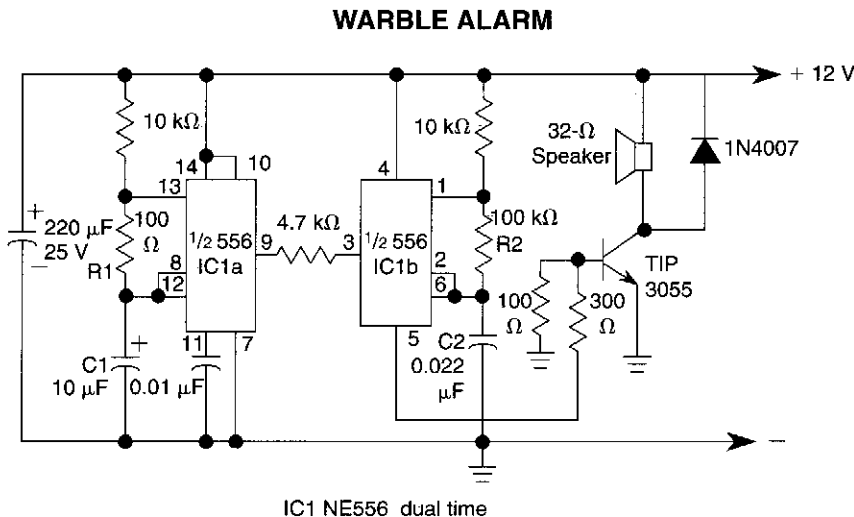
When the internal LED lights, the LDR's resistance decreases to around 5 k $\Omega$ . Under that condition, about 125 Vdc is applied across C1, R4, and C2. The neon lamp periodically fires and extinguishes as capacitor C3 charges through R4, and discharges via NE1 and the SCR gate.

Resistor R4 restricts the current input to C3, and thereby controls the firing rate of NE1—about three times per second. The discharge through NE1 is applied to the gate of SCR1.

SCR1, a sensitive-gate unit, snaps on immediately when NE1 conducts, which completes the ground circuit for transformer T1 (a 4-kV trigger transformer). As SCR1 toggles on and off in time with the firing of NE1, capacitor C2 (connected in parallel with T1's primary) charges via R1, and then discharges very rapidly through T1's primary winding. A voltage pulse is applied to the trigger input of FL1, a Xenon flash lamp.

It is important to remember that the circuit is connected directly to the ac line. Resistor R6 is included to limit the amount of line current available to the circuit. The value of R6 can be decreased if you intend to modify the circuit for more flash power.

**Warning:** Even though the circuit is fuse-protected, it can still be dangerous if handled carelessly.

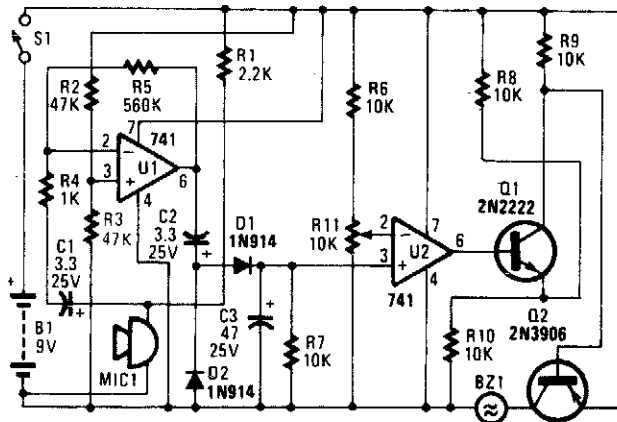


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FIG. 1-9

This circuit uses a 556 to first generate a low frequency square wave, that is modulated to produce two alternate tones of about 400 and 500 Hz. Circuit generates warble alarm of European emergency vehicles. The frequencies of the oscillators are determined by the values of R1, C1 and R2, C2.

## AUDIO ALARM



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FIG. 1-10

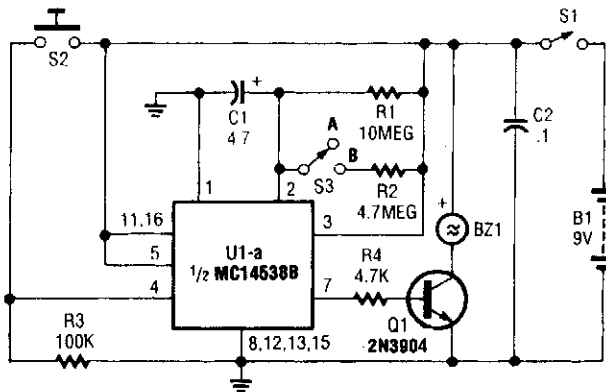
In the circuit, U1 amplifies the audio picked up by the condenser microphone. Resistor R1 limits its current, while R2 and R3 center the output of the amplifier to  $\frac{1}{2}B+$  to allow a single-ended supply to be used. Diodes D1 and D2 rectify the output of U1, and C3 filters the resulting pulsing dc. Thus, a dc voltage that is proportional to the ambient sound level is produced.

That voltage is presented to the noninverting input of U2. The inverting input is provided with a reference voltage of between 0 and  $\frac{1}{2}B+$ , which is set by R11.

As long as the noise level is low enough to keep the voltage at pin 3 lower than the voltage at pin 2, the output of U2 stays low (approximately 1 V). That is enough to bias Q1 partially on. A voltage divider, formed by R8/R10 and Q1 (when it's partially on), prevents Q2 from turning on.

When the noise level is high enough to bring the voltage at pin 3 higher than the voltage at pin 2, the output of U2 goes high. That turns Q1 fully on and drives Q2 into saturation. The piezo buzzer then sounds until the power is cut off.

## NO-DOZE ALARM



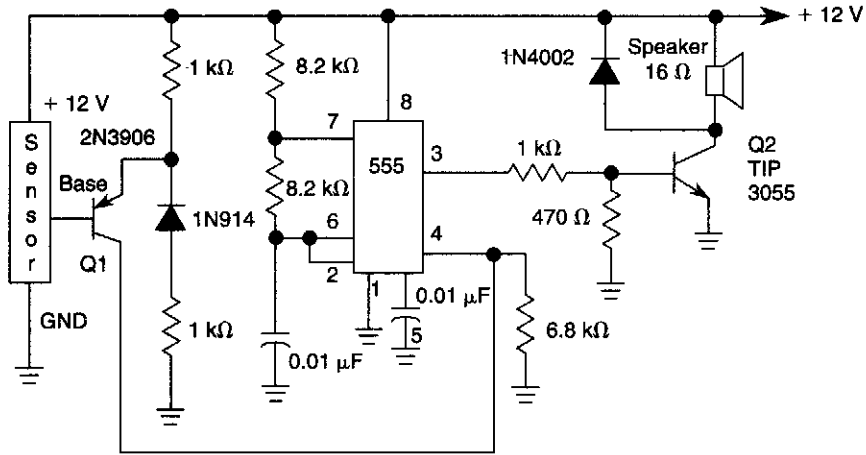
This circuit sends out a loud tone if the input switch (S2) is not retriggered at pre-set intervals. If you fall asleep and miss re-triggering the circuit, it will sound until you press S2.

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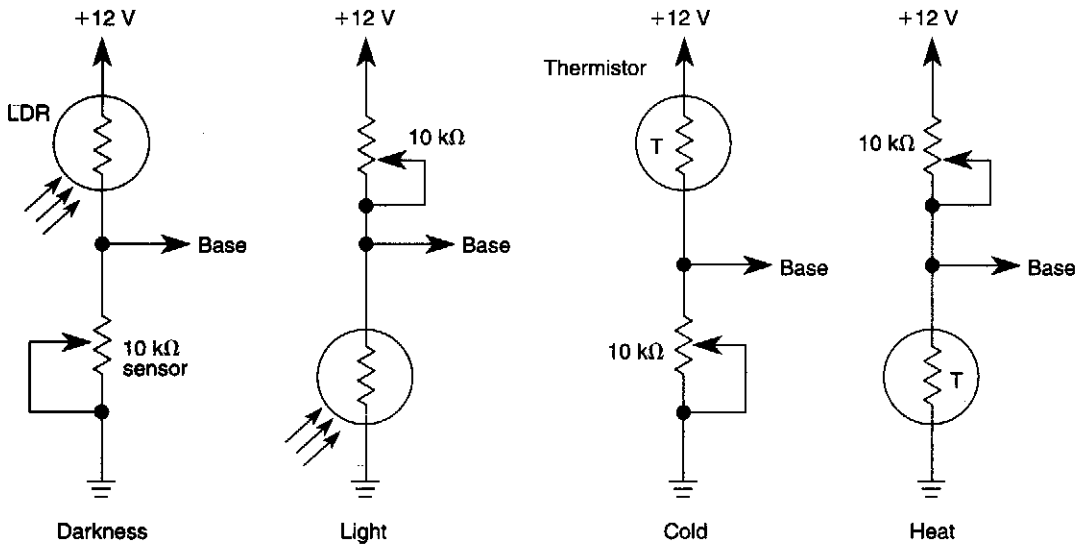
FIG. 1-11



## HEAT- OR LIGHT-ACTIVATED ALARM



### SENSOR CIRCUITS

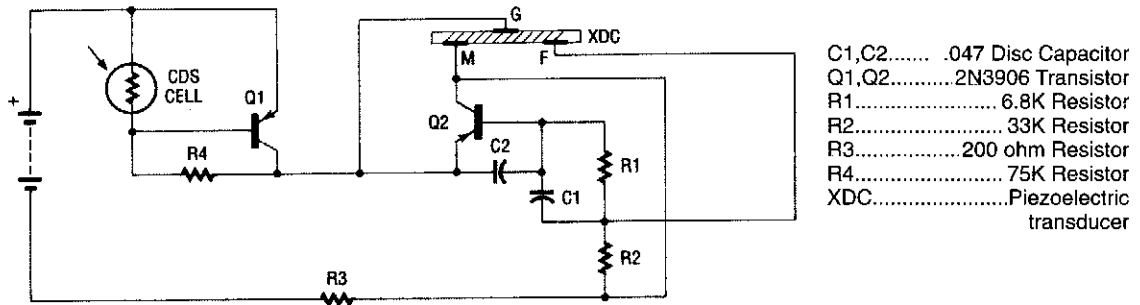


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FIG. 1-12

The tone generated by a 555 oscillator can be turned on (activated) by heat or light. That causes Q1 to conduct transistor W2 (TIP 3055). Q2 (TIP 3055) acts as an audio amplifier and speaker driver.

## PIEZOELECTRIC ALARM



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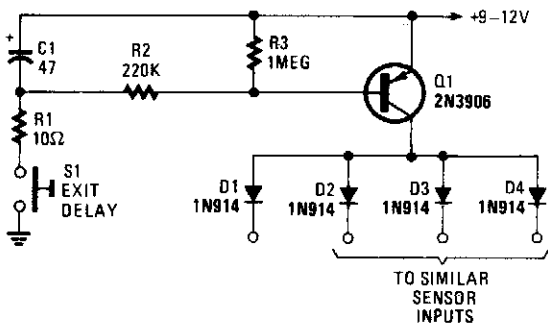
FIG. 1-13

The alarm uses a fixed-frequency piezoelectric buzzer in conjunction with the cadmium-sulfide (CDS) cell and the two-transistor circuit to provide a unique effect. Whenever light reaches the CDS photo-electric cell, the alarm is silent. But when no light strikes the cell, transistor Q1 turns on, and the circuit emits a high-pitched tone.

The alarm consists of a piezoelectric disk that oscillates at the fixed frequency of 3.137 kHz, created by transistor Q2, capacitor C1 and C2, and resistors R1 through R3. Transistor Q1 is used as a switch. It is forward-biased "on" by R4; however, the CDS cell turns Q1 "off" when the light is striking it.

A CDS photo cell is made from cadmium sulfide, a semiconductor material that changes resistance when the light strikes it. The greater the amount of light, the lower the resistance. The low resistance conducts positive voltage to the base of pnp transistor Q1, keeping it turned "off" when the light shines on the CDS cell. As soon as the light is removed, the CDS cell provides a resistance of over 100 kΩ. That causes Q1 to turn "on," allowing a positive voltage to reach the emitter lead of Q2, which then begins to oscillate. That then causes the piezoelectric element (transducer) to produce a loud signal.

## EXIT DELAY FOR BURGLAR ALARMS

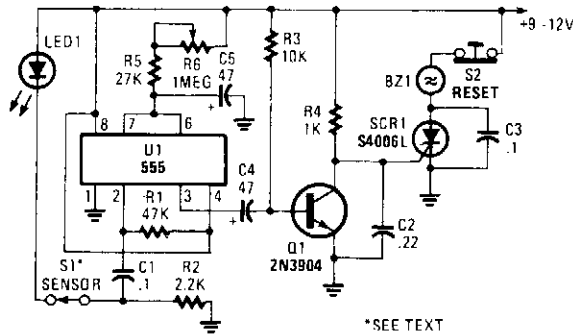


Depressing S1 charges C1 to the supply voltage. This biases Q1 on via bias resistors R2 and R3. A voltage is available for the duration of the delay period, to hold off the alarm circuit. C1 can be increased or decreased in value to alter the delay times.

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FIG. 1-14

## 555-BASED ALARM



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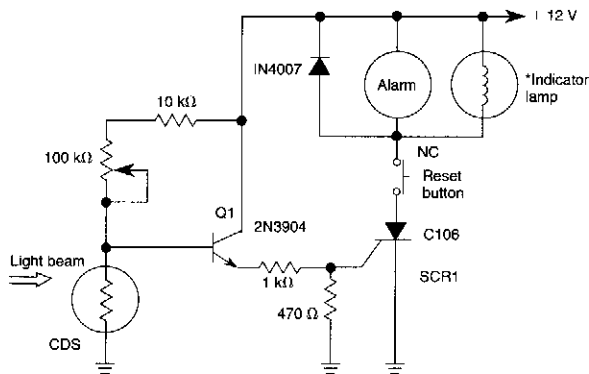
FIG. 1-15

The alarm circuit has a single 555 oscillator/timer (U1) performing double duty; serving both in the alarm-trigger circuit and the entry-delay circuit. In this application, the trigger input of U1 at pin 2 is held high via R1. A normally-closed sensor switch, S1, supplies a positive voltage to the junction of R2 and C1, and lights LED1. With both ends of C1 tied high, there is no charge on C1. But when S1 opens, C1 (initially acting as a short) momentarily pulls pin 2 of U1 low, triggering the timed delay circle.

At the beginning of the timing cycle, U1 produces a positive voltage at pin 3, which charges C4 to near the positive voltage at pin 3, which charges C4 to near the positive supply voltage. Transistor Q1 is heavily biased on by R3, keeping its collector at near ground level. With Q1 on, SCR's gate is clamped to ground, holding it off. When the delay circuit times out, pin 3 of U1 goes low and ties the positive end of C4 to ground. That turns Q1 off.

When Q1 turns off, the voltage at the gate of SCR goes positive, turning on the SCR and sounding the alarm. The delay time is adjustable from just a few seconds (R6 set to its minimum resistance) to about one minute (R6 adjusted to its maximum resistance).

## LIGHT-BEAM ALARM FOR INTRUSION DETECTION



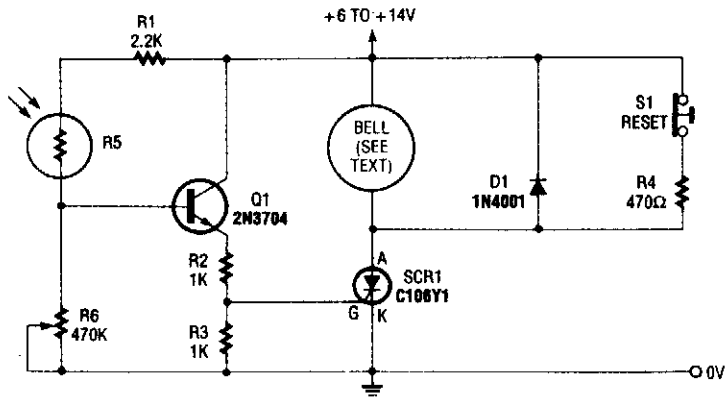
\* Lamp should draw at least 100 mA to sensure SCR1 remaining on during alarm cycle

When the light beam that falls in the CDS photocell is interrupted, transistor (EN3904) conducts thereby triggering SCR1 (C106) and activating alarm bell. S1 resets the SCR. The alarm bell should be a self-interrupting electro-mechanical type.

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FIG. 1-16

## LIGHT-ACTIVATED ALARM WITH LATCH

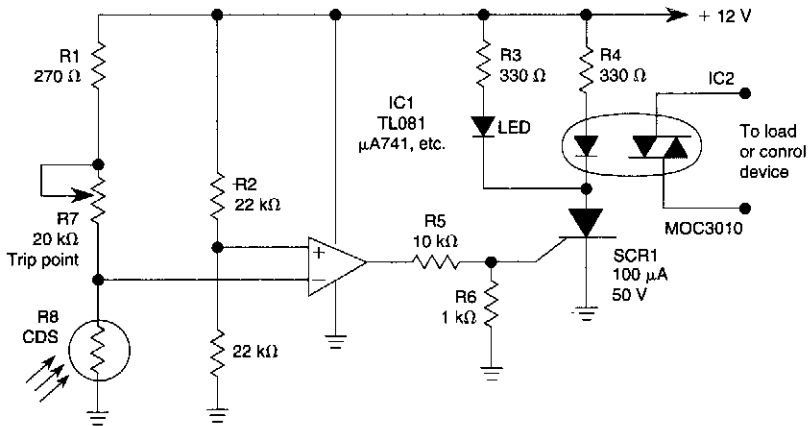


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FIG. 1-17

In this circuit, light causes R5 to conduct forward-biasing Q1. R6 sets sensitivity. SCR1 is triggered from the emitter voltage on LQ1, sounding the alarm bell. When S1 is depressed, SCR1 unlatches. Be sure that a self-interrupting alarm (electromechanical buzzer or bell) is used.

## PRECISION LIGHT-ACTIVATED ALARM

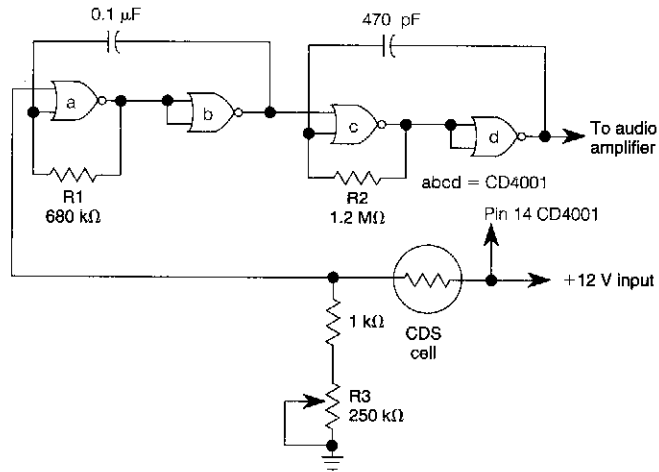


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FIG. 1-18

The light-sensitive CDS cell R8 configured in a bridge circuit with IC1 as a comparator causes IC1's output to go high when light strikes the CDS cell R8, triggering SCR1. This lights LED1 and turns on opto isolator IC2, which switches the load.

## DARK-ACTIVATED ALARM WITH PULSED TONE OUTPUT

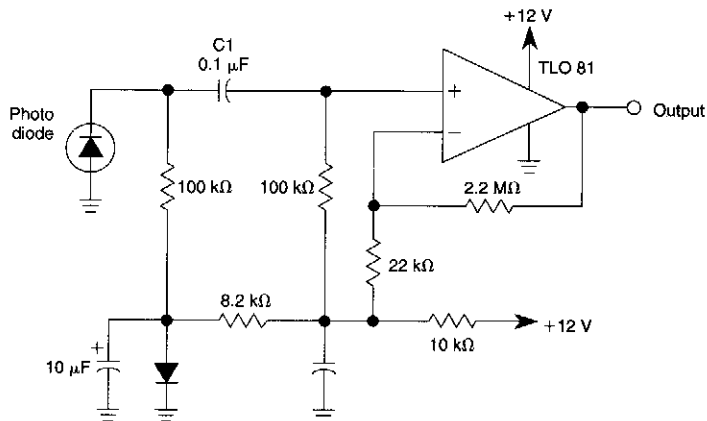


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FIG. 1-19

NOR gates a and b form a low-frequency oscillator that is activated when the CDS cell, under dark conditions, causes NOR gate a to see a logic zero at one input. This low-frequency (10 Hz) gates a high-frequency oscillator (c and d) to oscillate at around 1000 Hz. R1 can be varied to change the pulse rate and R2 to change the tone. R3 sets the trigger point.

## LIGHT-BEAM ALARM PREAMPLIFIER

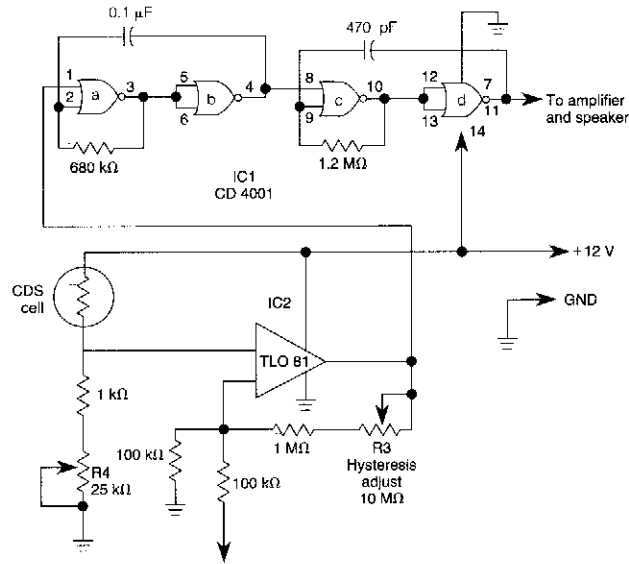


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FIG. 1-20

This circuit can be used for light beams to 20 kHz. The gain of the operational amplifier is set for a 40-dB gain.

## PRECISION LIGHT ALARM WITH HYSTERESIS

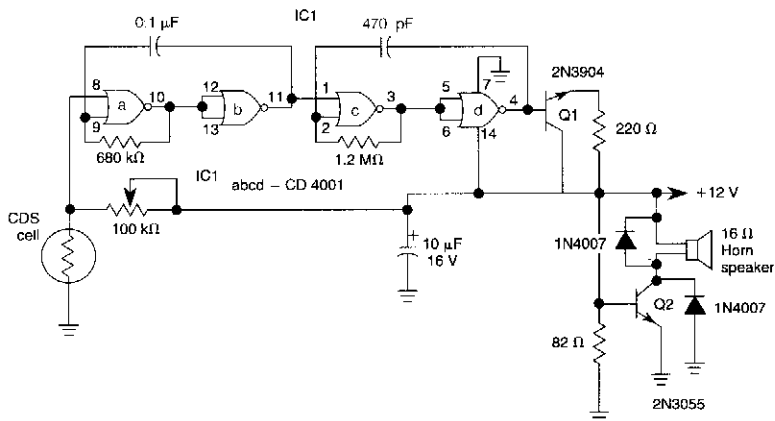


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FIG. 1-21

The TL081 is used as a comparator in a Wheatstone bridge circuit. When the CDS cell resistance decreases due to exposure to light, the output from IC2 cause the low-frequency oscillator (a) and (b) to generate a 10-Hz square wave, gating the 1000 Hz oscillator (c) and (d) on and off. This signal drives an amplifier. R3 controls hysteresis, which reduces on-off triggering near the threshold set by R4.

## HIGH-OUTPUT PULSED-TONE/LIGHT-ACTIVATED ALARM

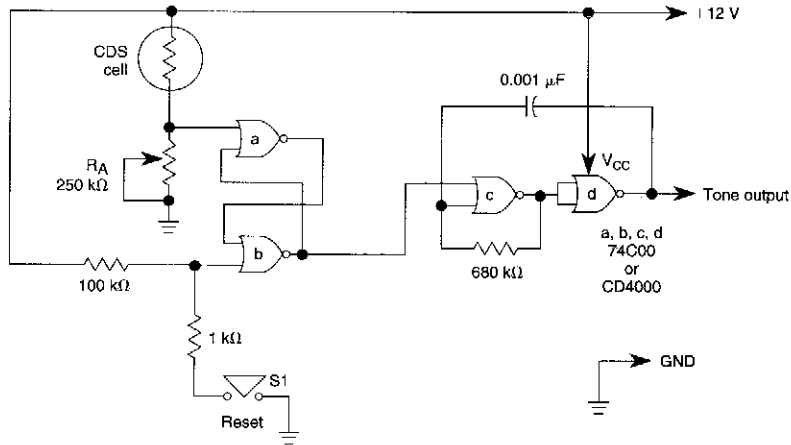


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FIG. 1-22

This circuit can produce up to 1 W of audio power to drive a speaker or horn. When the CDS cell is struck by light, its resistance decreases thus activating NOR gate (a) thereby causing (a) and (b) to produce a low-frequency (10-Hz) square wave. This pulses the 1-kHz oscillator (c) and (d), causing it to generate a pulsed 1-kHz tone at a 10-Hz rate. Q1 and Q2 amplify this signal. Q2 (2N3055) drives the speaker.

## SELF-LATCHING LIGHT ALARM WITH TONE OUTPUT

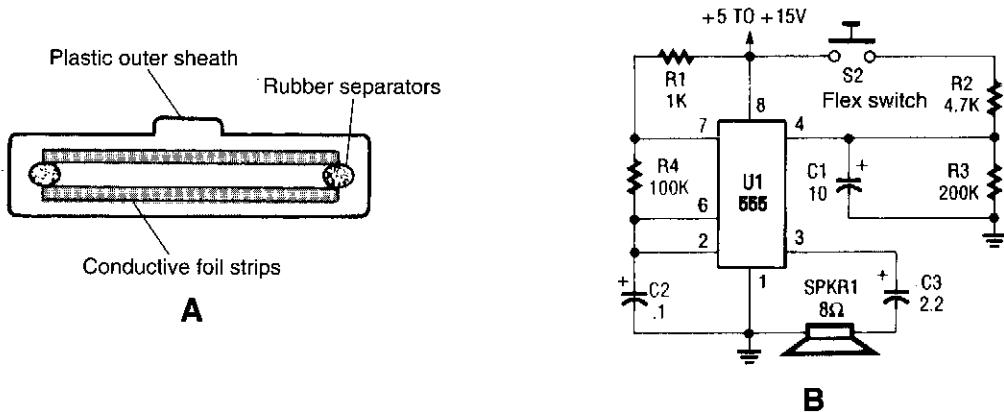


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FIG. 1-23

A decrease in the resistance of the CDS cell when light strikes it activates latch a and b, enabling tone oscillator c and d which produces an output of about 1000 Hz.  $R_A$  sets the trip level. S1 resets the circuit.

## ALARM SOUNDER FOR FLEX SWITCH

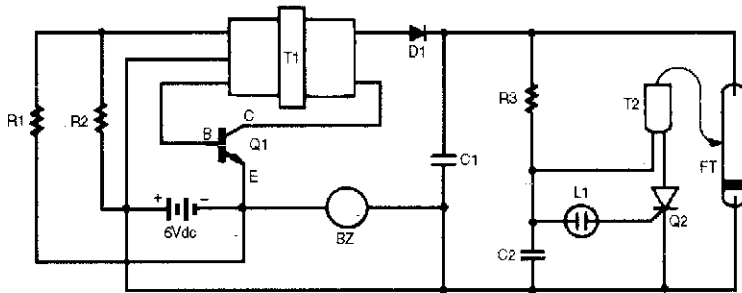


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FIG. 1-24

This is a cross-sectional diagram of a flex switch. They can be used as pushbutton or even position sensors. This schematic diagram shows an oscillator, which is used as an alarm sounder, triggered by a flex switch.

## BURGLAR CHASER



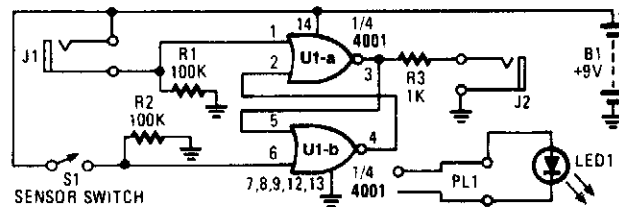
|         |                                  |
|---------|----------------------------------|
| BZ..... | Metal Horn Buzzer                |
| C1..... | .5 $\mu$ F 250 volts Capacitor   |
| C2..... | .022 $\mu$ F Green Cap (223 K5K) |
| D1..... | 1N4007 Diode                     |
| FT..... | Micro Strobe Tube/Reflector      |
| L1..... | Neon Lamp                        |
| Q1..... | C1740 SW Transistor              |
| Q2..... | 106 SCR                          |
| R1..... | 200 ohm Resistor                 |
| R2..... | 820 ohm Resistor                 |
| R3..... | 10 meg Resistor                  |
| T1..... | Inverter Transformer             |
| T2..... | 4 kV Trigger Coll                |

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FIG. 1-25

The burglar chaser makes a great accessory for any alarm system. It creates brilliant flashes of white light and a loud, irritating sound from a metal horn buzzer. Transformer T1 is connected to Q1, R1, and R2 to form a blocking oscillator. This creates a 6-Vac signal on the primary of T1. Because of T1's large ratio of turns from primary to secondary, the 6-Vac signal is stepped up to a level of over 200 Vac, which is then rectified by D1. The resultant dc voltage is applied to storage capacitor C1 and the neon relaxation oscillator made up of R3, C2, and L1. Each time C2 charges up to a sufficient level, it ionizes L1, which causes SCR Q2 to fire. The firing SCR causes the charge on C2 to be applied to the trigger coil. The trigger coil converts the 200 V into the 4000-V pulse that is needed to fire micro xenon strobe tube/reflector FT. The cycle repeats itself after the strobe tube flashes.

## SILENT ALARM



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FIG. 1-26

A sensor switch triggers a set-reset flip flop and lights an LED.



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# Amplifier Circuits

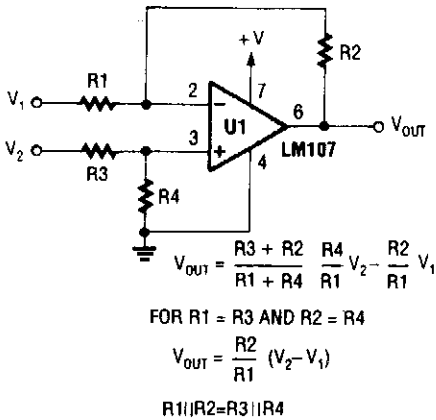
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|   |   |
|---|---|
| Difference Amplifier  | Electret Mike Preamp                              |
| Fast-Inverting Amplifier with High Input Impedance                      | Difference Amplifier                              |
| Noninverting ac Amplifier   | General-Purpose JFET Preamp                       |
| Inverting Summing Amplifier   | FET Amplifier with Offset Gate Bias               |
| Noninverting ac Amplifier   | Push-Pull Darlington Amplifier                    |
| Fast High-Impedance Input-Inverting Amplifier                           | Noninverted Unity-Gain Amplifier                  |
| Nonlinear Operational Amplifier with Temperature-Compensated Breakpoint | 500 M $\Omega$ Input Impedance with JFET Amp      |
| MOSFET High-Impedance Biasing Method                                    | Discrete Current-Booster Amplifier                |
| Inverting Summing Amplifier   | Frequency Counter Preamp                          |
| Bootstrapped Source Follower  | Audio to UHF Preamp                               |
| 30 M $\Omega$ JFET Source Follower                                      | V- & I-Protected Intrinsically Safe Op Amp        |
| JFET Source Follower  | Current Feedback Amp Delivers<br>100 mA @ 100 MHz |
| Unity-Gain Noninverting Amplifier                                       | General-Purpose Preamplifier                      |
| JFET Amp with Current Source Biasing                                    | Test Bench Amplifier                              |

### DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER

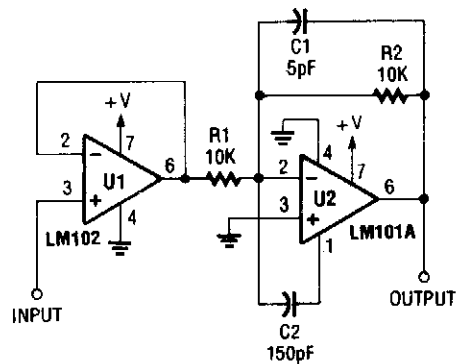


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FIG. 2-1

By using two inputs as shown, a difference amplifier yielding the differential between U1 and U2, times a gain factor results.

### FAST-INVERTING AMPLIFIER WITH HIGH INPUT IMPEDANCE

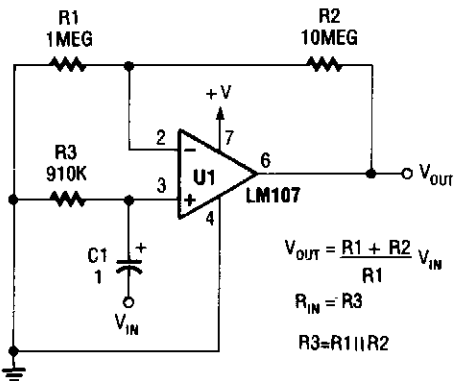


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FIG. 2-2

U1 is used as a voltage follower to feed inverter U2. Because U1 is in the voltage-follower configuration, it exhibits a high input impedance.

### NONINVERTING ac AMPLIFIER

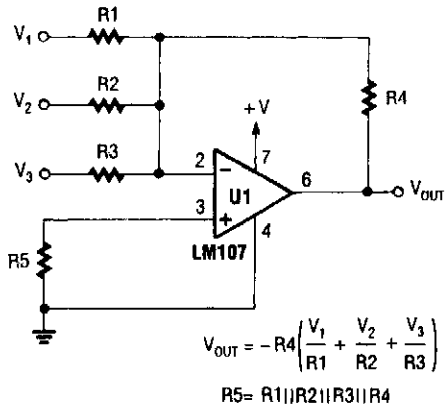


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FIG. 2-3

A general-purpose noninverting ac amplifier for audio or other low-frequency applications is shown. Design equations are in the figure. Almost any general-purpose op amp can be used for U1.

### INVERTING SUMMING AMPLIFIER

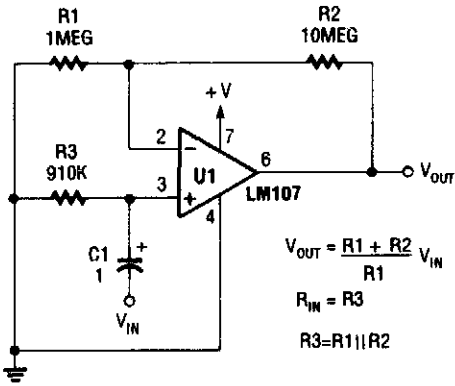


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FIG. 2-4

The output of U1 is the sum of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$ , multiplied by  $R_1/R_4$ ,  $R_2/R_4$ , and respectively.  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  are selected as required for individual gains.  $R_4$  affects gain of all these inputs.

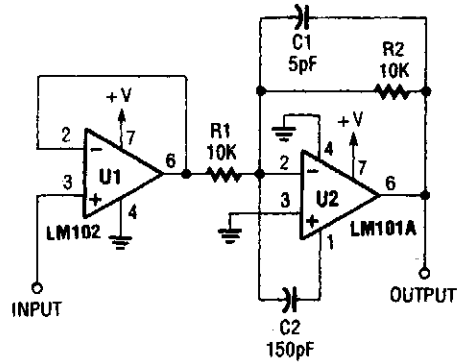
### NONINVERTING ac AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 2-5

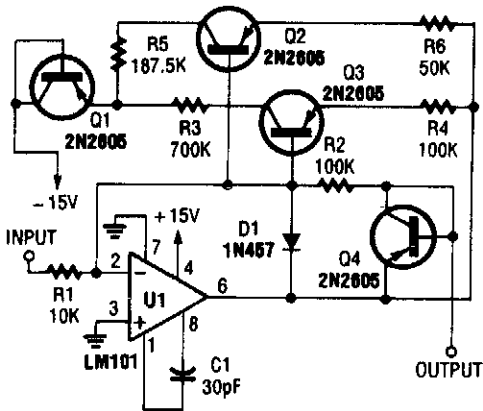
### FAST HIGH-IMPEDANCE INPUT-INVERTING AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 2-6

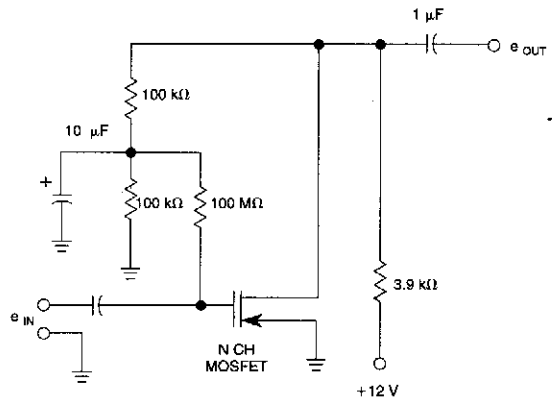
### NONLINEAR OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER WITH TEMPERATURE COMPENSATED-BREAKPOINT



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FIG. 2-7

### MOSFET HIGH-IMPEDANCE BIASING METHOD

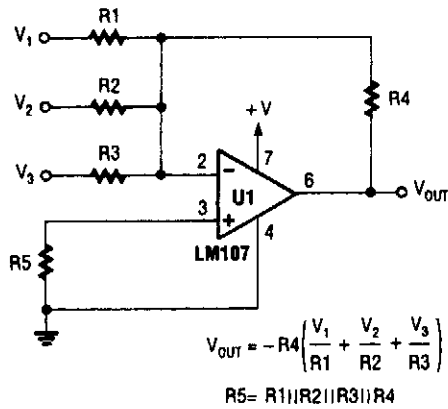


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FIG. 2-8

High-impedance biasing method for an N-channel MOSFET to form a linear-inverting amplifier.

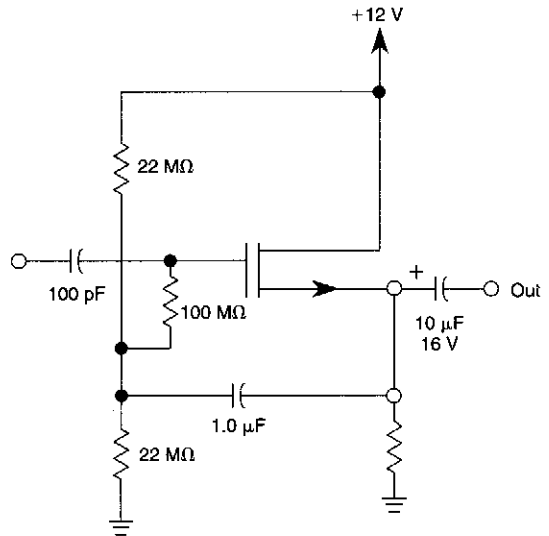
### INVERTING SUMMING AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 2-9

### BOOTSTRAPPED SOURCE FOLLOWER

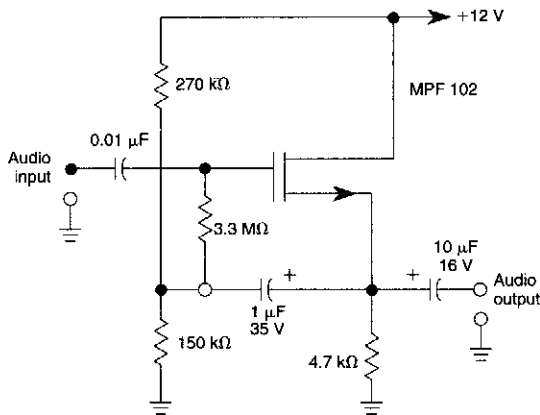


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FIG. 2-10

This bootstrapped source follower uses an N-channel MOSFET. It has a high input impedance.

### 30-MΩ JFET SOURCE FOLLOWER

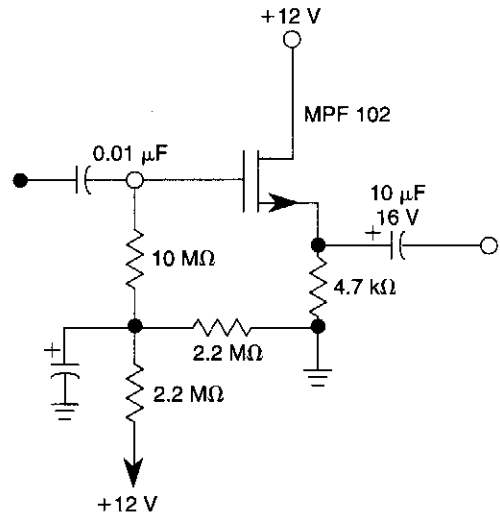


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FIG. 2-11

This JFET source-follower uses an MPF102 with offset biasing. It has an input impedance of >30 MΩ.

### JFET SOURCE FOLLOWER

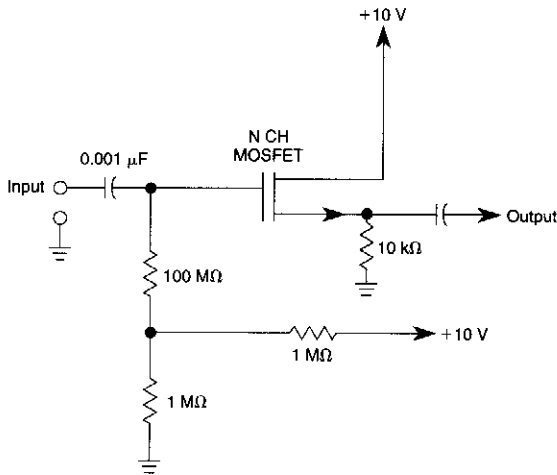


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FIG. 2-12

The circuit uses positive gate bias to improve the operating point for better dynamic range.

### UNITY-GAIN NONINVERTING AMPLIFIER

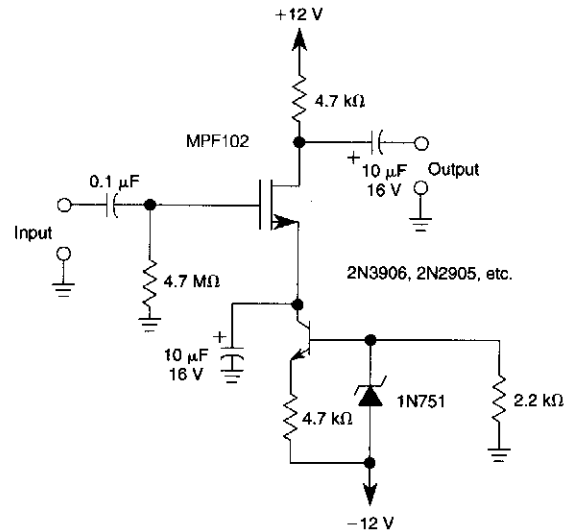


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FIG. 2-13

Biasing methods for an N-channel MOSFET to form a unity-gain noninverting amplifier or source-follower.

### JFET AMP WITH CURRENT SOURCE BIASING

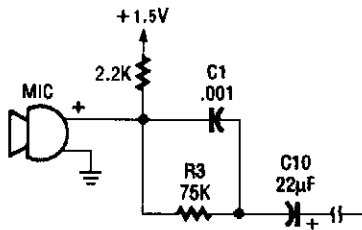


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FIG. 2-14

A current source (MPF102) in the source lead of bipolar transistor 2N3906 permits accurate control of drain current.

### ELECTRET MIKE PREAMP

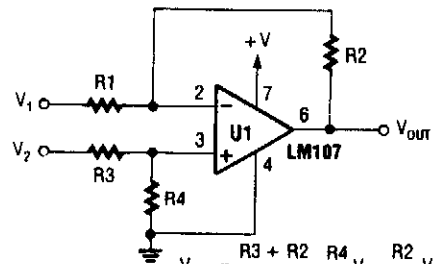


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FIG. 2-15

This circuit is suitable for using an electret microphone for many applications. A 1.5-V battery is used. C1 and R3 provide treble boost/bass cut; they can be eliminated, if desired.

### DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER



$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R3 + R2}{R1 + R4} \frac{R4}{R1} V_2 - \frac{R2}{R1} V_1$$

FOR  $R1 = R3$  AND  $R2 = R4$

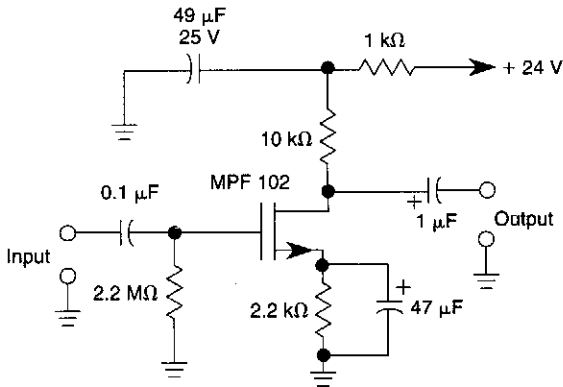
$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R2}{R1} (V_2 - V_1)$$

$$R1 || R2 = R3 || R4$$

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FIG. 2-16

### GENERAL-PURPOSE JFET PREAMP

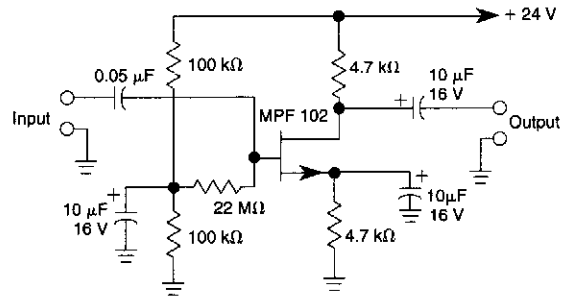


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FIG. 2-17

This JFET preamplifier has a gain of about 20 dB and a bandwidth of over 100 kHz. It is useful as a low-level audio amplifier for high-impedance sources.

### FET AMPLIFIER WITH OFFSET GATE BIAS

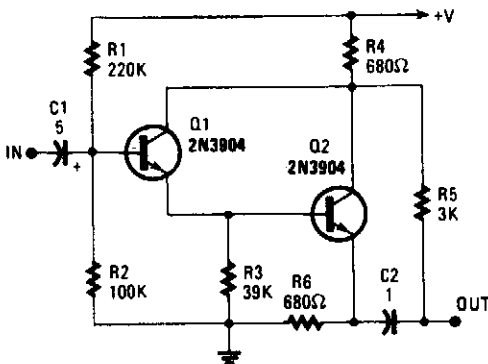


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FIG. 2-18

In this amplifier circuit, the gate of the MPF102 is biased with an external voltage. This circuit achieves tighter control of the operating point and biasing conditions.

### PUSH-PULL DARLINGTON AMPLIFIER

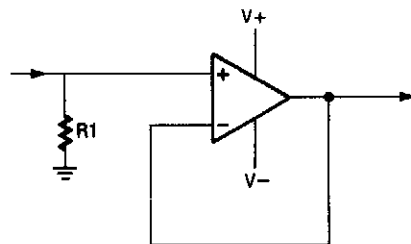


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FIG. 2-19

This circuit has a high-Z input and push-pull output via the output taken across R4 and R6.

### NONINVERTED UNITY-GAIN AMPLIFIER

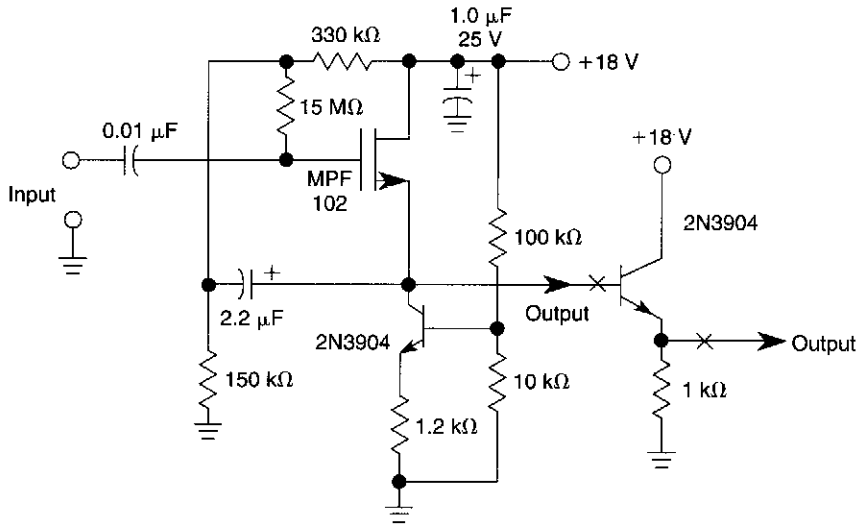


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FIG. 2-20

An op amp can be used as a unity gain amplifier by connecting its output to its inverting input as shown. R1 should be low enough so the bias current of the op amp does not cause an appreciable offset.

## 500-M $\Omega$ INPUT IMPEDANCE WITH JFET AMP

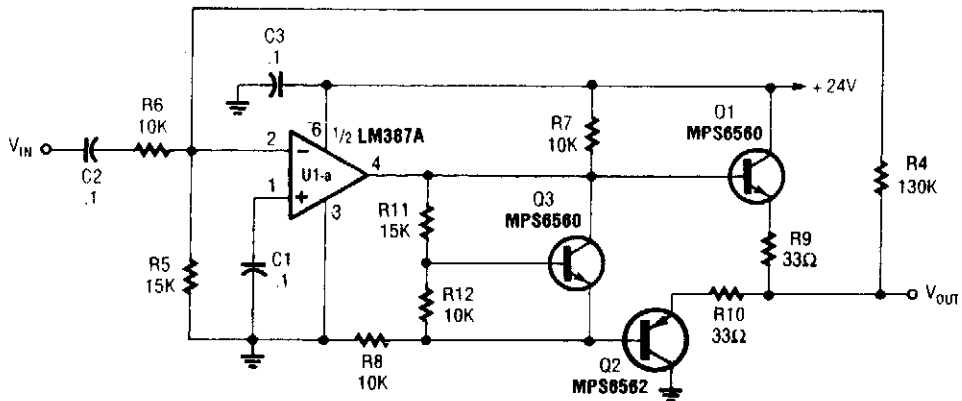


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FIG. 2-21

A current source using a 2N3904 transistor plus bootstrapping, achieves an input impedance of 500 M $\Omega$ . A second 2N3904 transistor can be added at X to lower the output impedance.

## DISCRETE CURRENT-BOOSTER AMPLIFIER

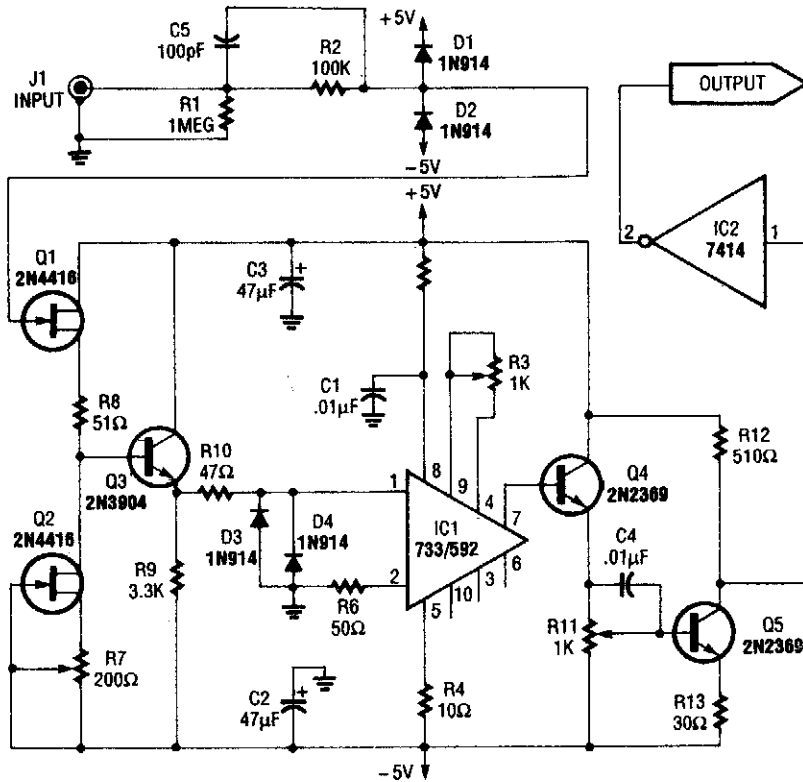


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FIG. 2-22

Suitable as a line driver, this circuit is useable in many similar audio applications.

## FREQUENCY COUNTER PREAMP

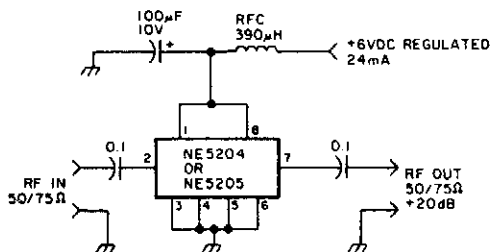


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FIG. 2-23

Based on the LM733 or NE592, the preamp shown has a bandwidth of 100 MHz. The FET inputs provide about 1-M $\Omega$  input impedance. Q4, Q5, and IC2 provide signal conditioning.

## AUDIO TO UHF PREAMP



The Signetics NE5204 or NE5205 can be used in this AF to 350-MHz (-30 dB) preamp. If 600 MHz @ 3 dB is needed, use the NE5205. The noise figure is 4.8 dB at 75  $\Omega$ , 6 dB at 50  $\Omega$ . Gain is approximately +20 dB over the passband.

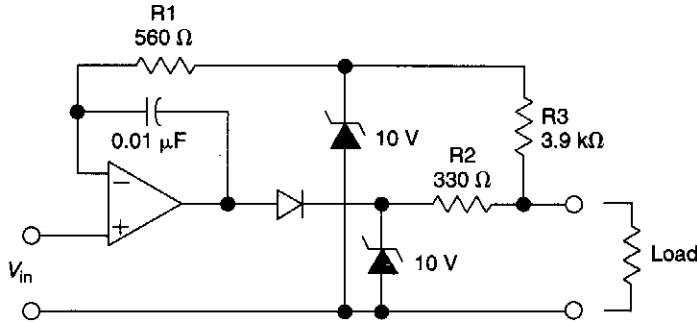
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FIG. 2-24



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## V- & I-PROTECTED INTRINSICALLY SAFE OP AMP



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FIG. 2-25

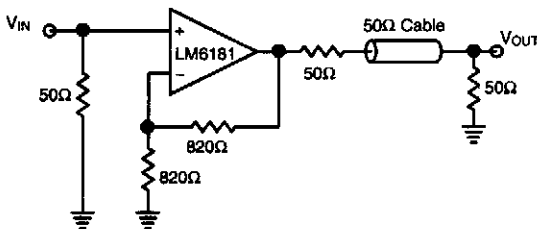
The circuit is designed to drive an external load. A fault condition in the external load circuit could feed excessive current or voltage back into the line drive circuit. If excessive voltage appears from the load, the two zener diodes will clamp that voltage to a safe level, which in this case is 10 V.

The current in the zener diodes, op amp, and the remainder of the circuitry is limited to a safe level by resistors  $R1$ ,  $R2$ , and  $R3$ .  $D1$  protects the op-amp output stage from 10 V appearing across the clamp diodes under a fault condition.

The advantage of this circuit is that, although it's designed as unity gain buffer, the same techniques can be applied to inverting, noninverting, or differential gain stages.

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## CURRENT FEEDBACK AMP DELIVERS 100 mA @ 100 MHz

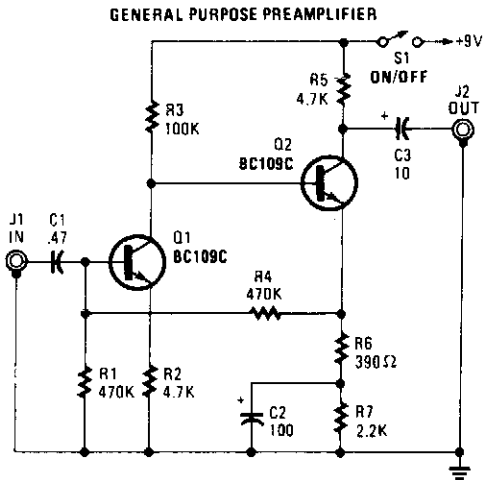


Using a NS LM6181, this IC is useful in cable drivers. The supply voltage is  $\pm 5$  V to  $\pm 15$  V.

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FIG. 2-26

## GENERAL-PURPOSE PREAMPLIFIER

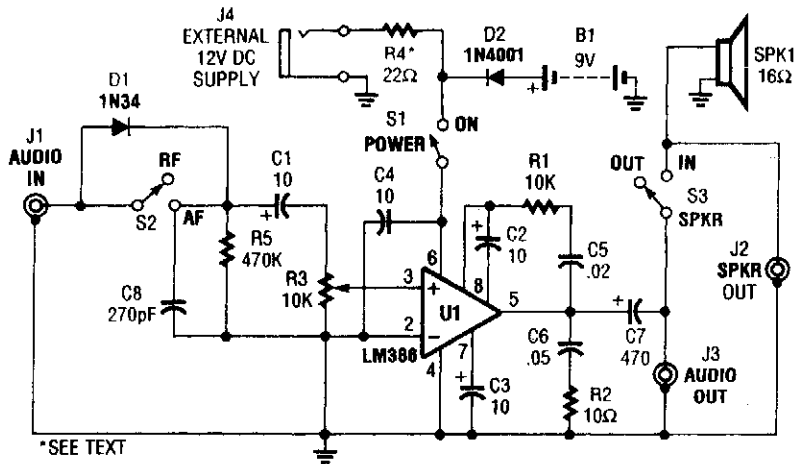


Suitable for general audio use, the preamp circuit uses a feedback pair. Current gain is set by the ratio of  $(R_4 + R_6)/R_4$ .

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FIG. 2-27

## TEST BENCH AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 2-28

This amplifier might be useful in servicing or bench testing as a signal tracer or as a building block in various systems.

# 3

## Analog-to-Digital Converter Circuits

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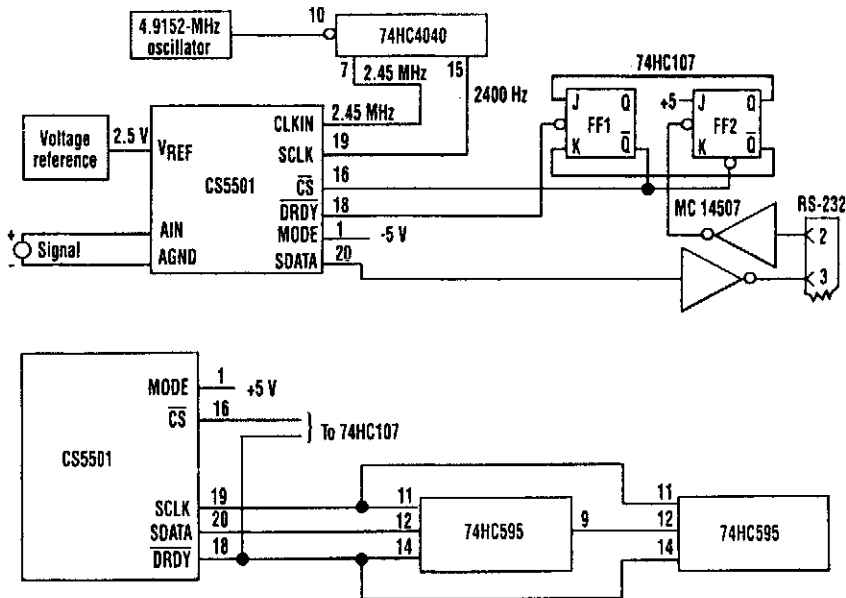
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

ADC Poller

8-Channel A/D Converter for PC Clones

## ADC POLLER



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FIG. 3-1

Because the CS5501 16-bit-delta-sigma analog-to-digital converter lacks a “start convert” command, it converts continuously, outputting conversion words to its output register every 1024 cycles of its master clock. However, by incorporating a standard dual J-K flip-flop into the circuit, the ADC can be configured to output a single-conversion word only when it is polled.

The CS5501 converter can be operated in its asynchronous communication mode (UART) to transmit one 16-bit conversion word when it is polled over an RS-232 serial line (see figure). A null character (all zeros) is transmitted to the circuit and sets the flip-flop FF2. The CS5501 can then output a single-conversion word, which is transmitted over the RS-232 line as two bytes with start and stop bits.

The baud rate can be chosen by selecting the appropriate clock divider rate on the 74HC4040 counter/divider as the serial port clock (SLCK) for the ADC. This type of polled-mode operation is also useful when the ADC’s output register is configured to operate in the synchronous-serial clock (SSC) mode. In this case, the converter will load one output word into a 16-bit serial-to-parallel register (two 74HC595 8-bit registers) when polled to do so (see figure).

## 8-CHANNEL A/D CONVERTER FOR PC CLONES

The following program causes the A-D converter to perform eight sequential conversions and display the result. It's written in Turbo BASIC/Power BASIC source code, but it will run under the GW-BASIC interpreter if you replace the delay statements with FOR/NEXT loops, and add line numbers as shown in the second listing. These programs are available on the 73 BBS under the filenames ADC-Turbo.BAS and ADCGW.BAS.

```

INITIALIZE: 'remarks follow the apostrophe
screen 0
color 14,0
cls
clear
toggle%=-2
oddsign%=-0

MINORLOOP:
while not instat
out 888,1
delay 888,0
delay 888,0
delay 054
for ch%=-0 to 7
out 888,8
out 888,0
out 888,2
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
out 890,1
out 888,2
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
out 890,1
out 888,oddsign%,toggle%
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
out 890,1
out 888,select1%
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
out 890,1
out 888,select0%
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
out 890,1

READBITS:
for bit%=-7 to 0 step -1
out 890,0
for slow%=-0 to 1:next slow%
ad%:=inp(889)
if ad%<120 then byte%:=byte%+(2^bit%)
next bit%
if ch%=-0 then select0%=-0: select0%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-1 then select1%=-0: select1%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-2 then select2%=-0: select2%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-3 then select3%=-0: select3%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-4 then select4%=-0: select4%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-5 then select5%=-0: select5%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-6 then select6%=-0: select6%:=byte%/51
if ch%=-7 then select7%=-0: select7%:=byte%/51
next ch%
print using "##.#";ch0volts,ch1volts,ch2volts,ch3volts,ch4volts,ch5volts,ch6volts,ch7volts
wend
    
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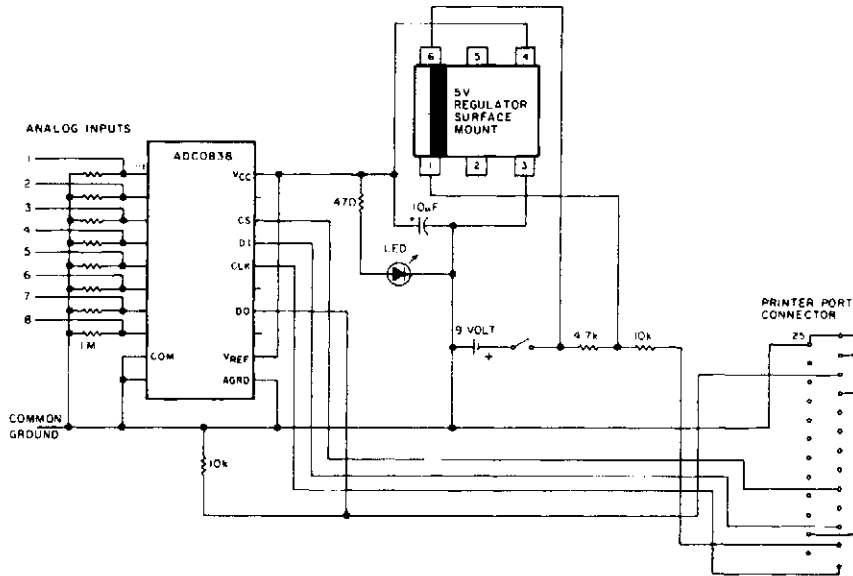
### GW-BASIC Version

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10 ' The following program causes the A-D converter to perform eight
20 ' sequential conversions and display the result.
30 SCREEN 0
40 COLOR 14,0
50 CLS
60 CLEAR
70 TOSGLEW%=-2
80 ODDSIGN%=-0
90 IF INKEY$<"*" THEN END
100 OUT 888,1
110 OUT 888,0
120 FOR W%=-0 TO 500:NEXT W%
130 FOR CH%=-0 TO 7
140 OUT 888,8
150 OUT 888,0
160 OUT 888,2
170 OUT 890,0
180 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
190 OUT 890,1
200 OUT 888,2
210 OUT 890,0
220 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
230 OUT 890,1
240 OUT 888,ODDSIGN%,TOGGLE%
250 SWAP ODDSIGN%,TOGGLE%
260 OUT 890,0
270 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
280 OUT 890,1
290 OUT 888,SELECT1%
300 OUT 890,0
310 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
320 OUT 890,1
330 OUT 888,SELECT0%
340 OUT 890,0
350 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
360 OUT 890,1
370 REM
380 FOR BIT%=-7 TO 0 STEP -1
390 OUT 890,0
400 FOR SLOW%=-0 TO 1:NEXT SLOW%
410 OUT 890,1
420 AD%:=INP(889)
430 IF AD%<120 THEN BYTE%:=BYTE%+(2^BIT%)
440 NEXT BIT%
450 IF CH%=-0 THEN SELECT0%=-0: SELECT0%:=BYTE%/51
460 IF CH%=-1 THEN SELECT1%=-0: SELECT1%:=BYTE%/51
470 IF CH%=-2 THEN SELECT2%=-0: SELECT2%:=BYTE%/51
480 IF CH%=-3 THEN SELECT3%=-0: SELECT3%:=BYTE%/51
490 IF CH%=-4 THEN SELECT4%=-0: SELECT4%:=BYTE%/51
500 IF CH%=-5 THEN SELECT5%=-0: SELECT5%:=BYTE%/51
510 IF CH%=-6 THEN SELECT6%=-0: SELECT6%:=BYTE%/51
520 IF CH%=-7 THEN SELECT7%=-0: SELECT7%:=BYTE%/51
530 BYTE%:=0
540 next ch%
550 PRINT USING"##.#";CH0VOLTS,CH1VOLTS,CH2VOLTS,CH3VOLTS,CH4VOLTS,CH5VOLTS,CH6VOLTS,CH7VOLTS
    
```

FIG. 3-2

## 8-CHANNEL A/D CONVERTER FOR PC CLONES (Cont.)



An A/D converter by National Semiconductor (ADC0838), converts 0- to 5-V analog inputs to a digital data format. A 9-V battery is used. The converter connects to the pointer port connector via a 25-pin connector.

# 4

## Antenna Circuits

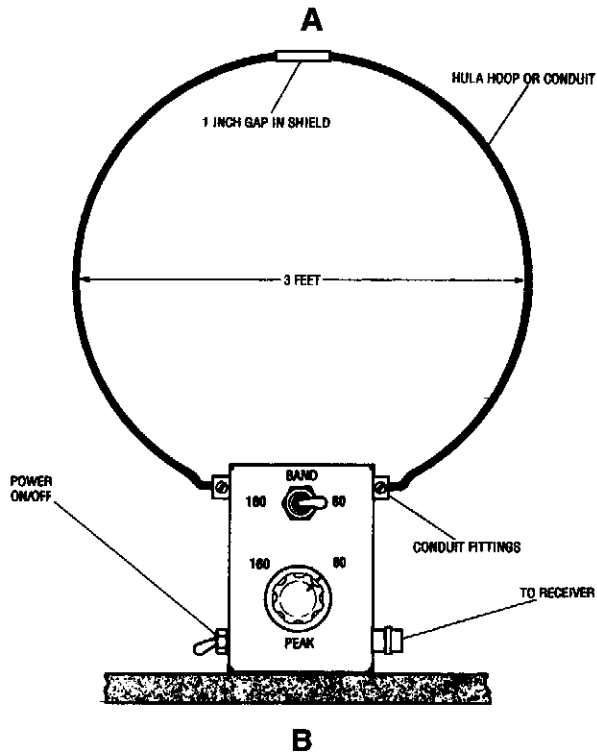
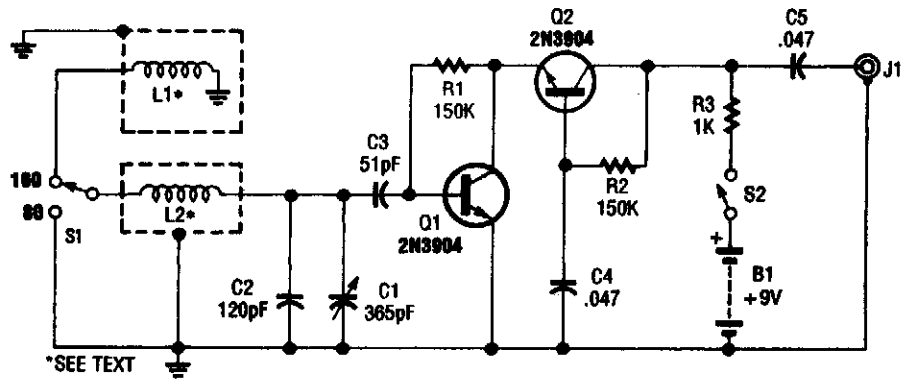
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Dual-Band Loop Antenna For 80 & 160 m  
VLF-VHF Wideband Low-Noise Active Antenna  
VLF 60-kHz Antenna/Preamp  
Simple Balun  
Wideband Antenna Preamplifier  
HF Broadband Antenna Preamp  
Automatic TR Switch  
Low-Power Antenna Tuner  
Loop Antenna Preamplifier

## DUAL-BAND LOOP ANTENNA FOR 80 & 160 m



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FIG. 4-1

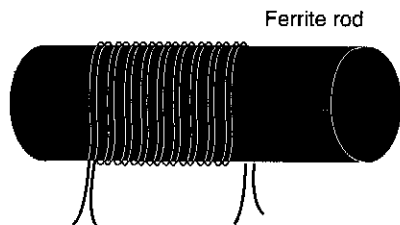
This antenna might help to reduce power-line noise. A plastic "hula hoop" or conduit 3 feet in diameter, covered with aluminum foil as a shield is used for L1 and L2. L1 is two turns and L2 is one turn, threaded through the loop. S1 selects 160- or 80-m operation. Q1 and Q2 form a preamplifier for the loop antenna. Do not transmit with this antenna—it is for receiving only.





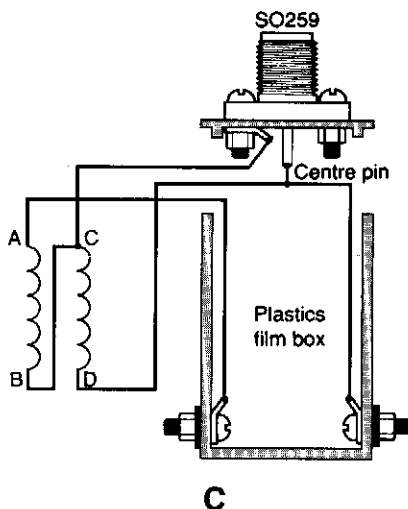
## SIMPLE BALUN

The wires must be bound tightly together, but windings may be slightly spaced if necessary. The diagram shows a bifilar balun with two coils.



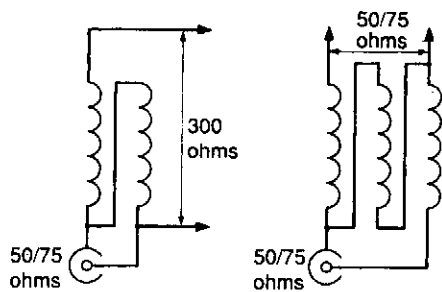
**A**

The wire connections for the 4:1 balun. After connecting up and testing, the coils and ferrite rod may be located inside the plastics film container.



**C**

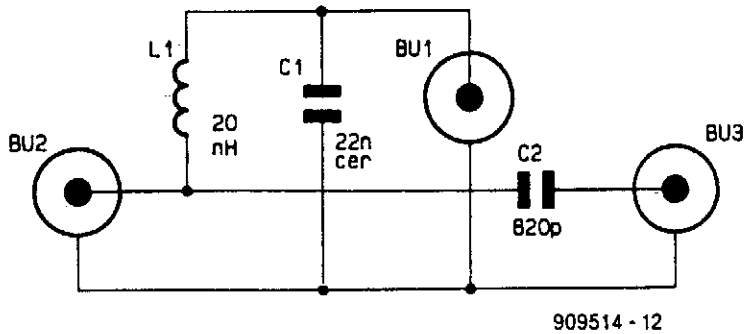
An example of a 4:1 bifilar (a), and (b) a 1:1 trifilar balun.



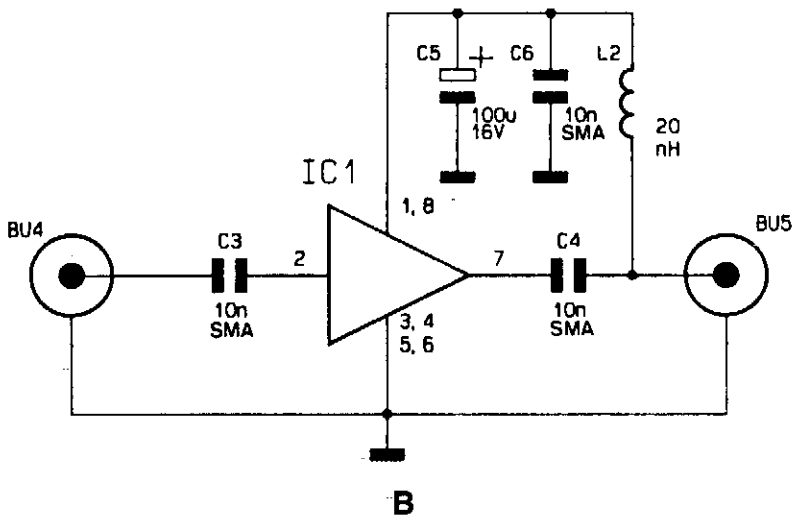
**B**

An old ferrite rod from a junked broadcast receiver can be used to construct an antenna balun, as shown.

## WIDEBAND ANTENNA PREAMPLIFIER



**A**

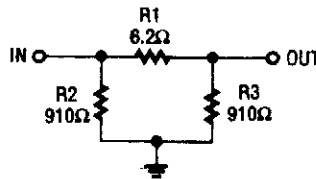
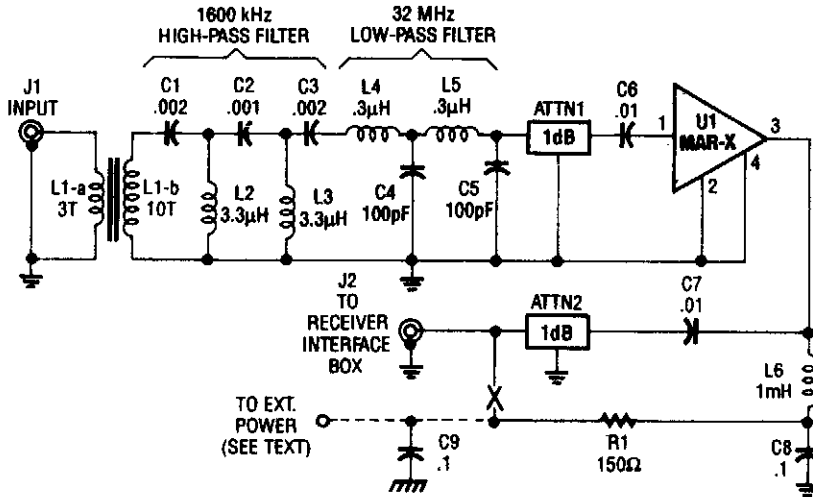


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FIG. 4-5

This wideband antenna preamplifier has a gain of around 20 dB from 40 to 860 MHz, covering the entire VHF, FM, commercial, and UHF bands. A phantom power supply provides dc to the pre-amp via the coaxial cable feeding the unit.

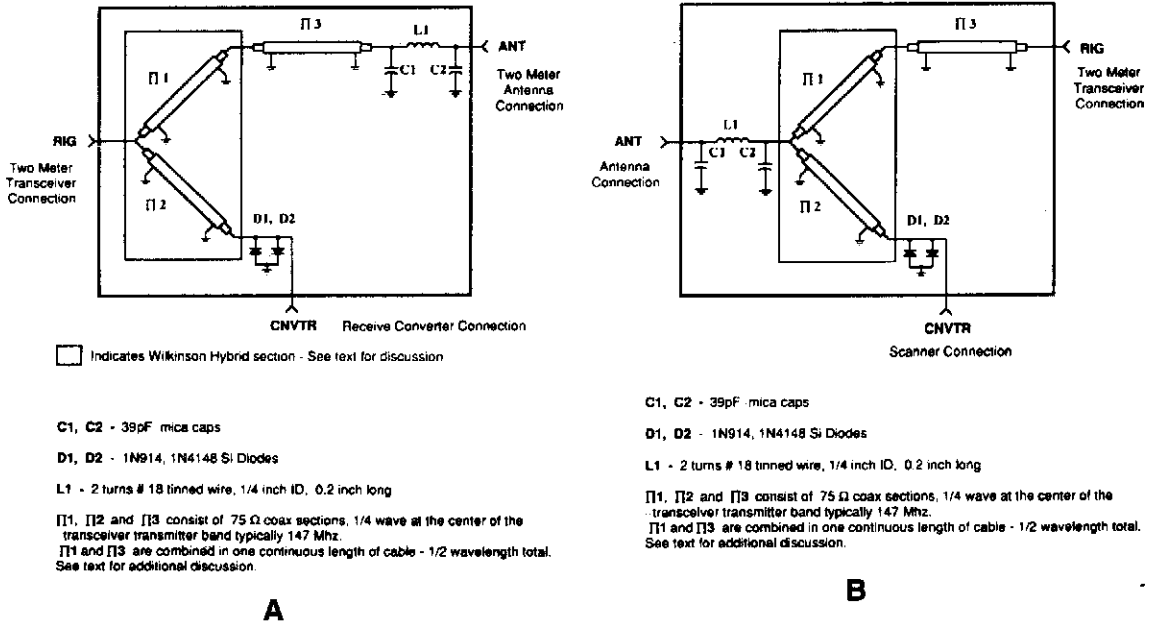
## HF BROADBAND ANTENNA PREAMP



The HF/SW receiver preamplifier is comprised of a broadband toroidal transformer (L1-a and L1-b), LC network (comprised of a 1600-kHz, high-pass filter and a 32-MHz, low-pass filter), L2 and L3 (26 turns of #26 enameled wire wound on an Amidon Associates T-50-2, red, toroidal core), a pair of resistive attenuators (ATTN1 and ATTN2), and a MAR-x device.

Shown here is the composition of a basic 1-dB pi-network resistor attenuator. This is the method of supplying dc power to a preamplifier using only the RF coax cable.

## AUTOMATIC TR SWITCH



□ Indicates Wilkinson Hybrid section - See text for discussion

C1, C2 - 39pF mica caps

D1, D2 - 1N914, 1N4148 Si Diodes

L1 - 2 turns # 18 tinned wire, 1/4 inch ID, 0.2 inch long

Π1, Π2 and Π3 consist of 75 Ω coax sections, 1/4 wave at the center of the transceiver transmitter band typically 147 Mhz.  
 Π1 and Π3 are combined in one continuous length of cable - 1/2 wavelength total.  
 See text for additional discussion.

C1, C2 - 39pF mica caps

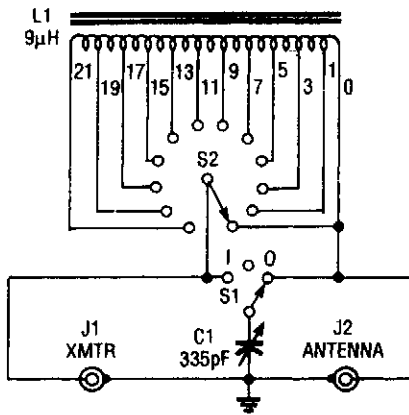
D1, D2 - 1N914, 1N4148 Si Diodes

L1 - 2 turns # 18 tinned wire, 1/4 inch ID, 0.2 inch long

Π1, Π2 and Π3 consist of 75 Ω coax sections, 1/4 wave at the center of the transceiver transmitter band typically 147 Mhz.  
 Π1 and Π3 are combined in one continuous length of cable - 1/2 wavelength total.  
 See text for additional discussion.

A pair of diodes and a quarter-wave transmission line are used as an automatic TR switch. D1 and D2 conduct during transmit periods, short-circuiting the scanner input. In this mode, the 1/4-wave line appears as an open circuit. In receive, the circuit acts as a Wilkinson power divider.

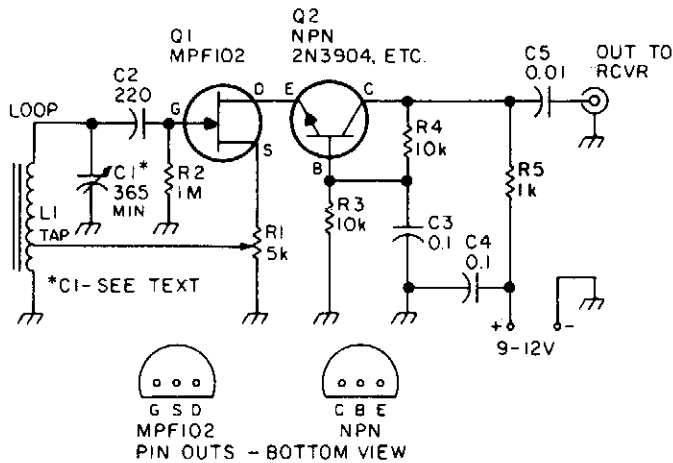
## LOW-POWER ANTENNA TUNER



This antenna tuner is suitable for use with low-power (less than 5 W) transmitters or SW receivers. S2 selects inductance and S2 connects the 365-pF capacitor to either the transmitter or the side of the inductor. The tiny tuner is comprised of a tapped inductor (L1) and a variable capacitor (C1), which is connected to the inductor through a center-off SPDT switch (S1). That switch arrangement permits the capacitor to be connected to either the input or the output of the circuit.

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## LOOP ANTENNA PREAMPLIFIER



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FIG. 4-9

This preamplifier has a built-in regeneration control boost gain selectivity. C1 is a single or multi-gang AM broadcast-band tuning capacitor. L1 is a ferrite loop antenna, tapped at about 15 to 25% of total turns. This circuit should prove useful for low-frequency (up to 3 MHz) reception, where a loop would be advantageous to reduce man-made noise pickup.

# 5

## Audio Power Amplifier Circuits

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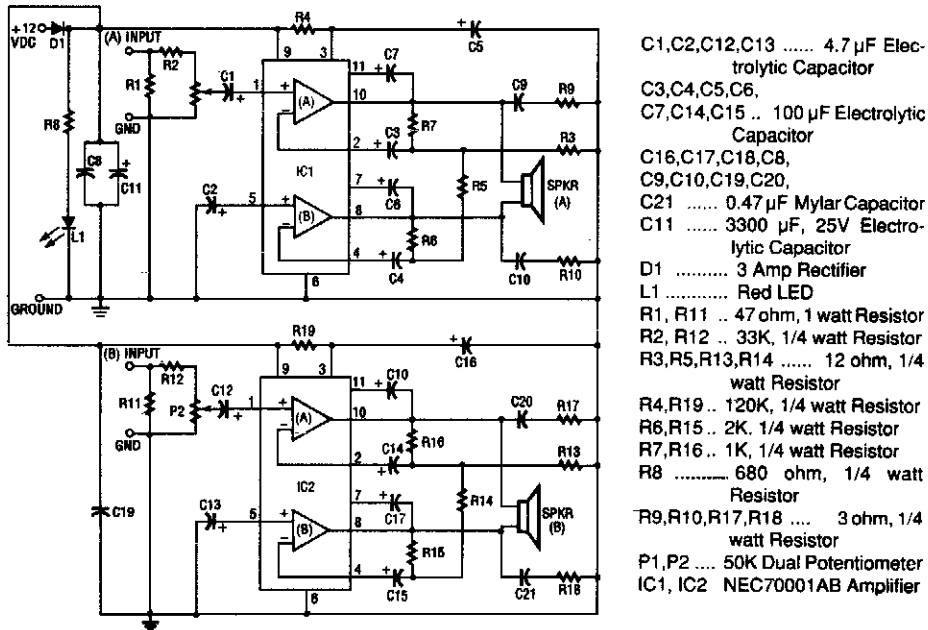
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20-W + 20-W Stereo Amplifier  
40-W Amplifier  
Half-Watt Single-Channel Audio Amplifier  
Dual Audio Amplifier  
A 70-W Composite Amplifier  
A 33-W Bridge Composite Amplifier  
MOSFET Power Amplifier  
10-W Noninverting Composite Amplifier

10-W Inverting Composite Amplifier  
LM380 Personal Stereo Amplifier  
Subwoofer Amplifier  
18-W Bridge Audio Amplifier  
Subwoofer Crossover Amplifier  
Audio Power Amplifier  
Fast High-Voltage Linear Power Amp  
Single-Chip 40-W Amplifier

## 20-W + 20-W STEREO AMPLIFIER



- C1,C2,C12,C13 ..... 4.7  $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor
- C3,C4,C5,C6, C7,C14,C15 .. 100  $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor
- C16,C17,C18,C8, C9,C10,C19,C20, C21 ..... 0.47  $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor
- C11 ..... 3300  $\mu$ F, 25V Electrolytic Capacitor
- D1 ..... 3 Amp Rectifier
- L1 ..... Red LED
- R1, R11 .. 47 ohm, 1 watt Resistor
- R2, R12 .. 33K, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R3,R5,R13,R14 ..... 12 ohm, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R4,R19 .. 120K, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R6,R15 .. 2K, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R7,R16 .. 1K, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R8 ..... 680 ohm, 1/4 watt Resistor
- R9,R10,R17,R18 .... 3 ohm, 1/4 watt Resistor
- P1,P2 .... 50K Dual Potentiometer
- IC1, IC2 NEC70001AB Amplifier

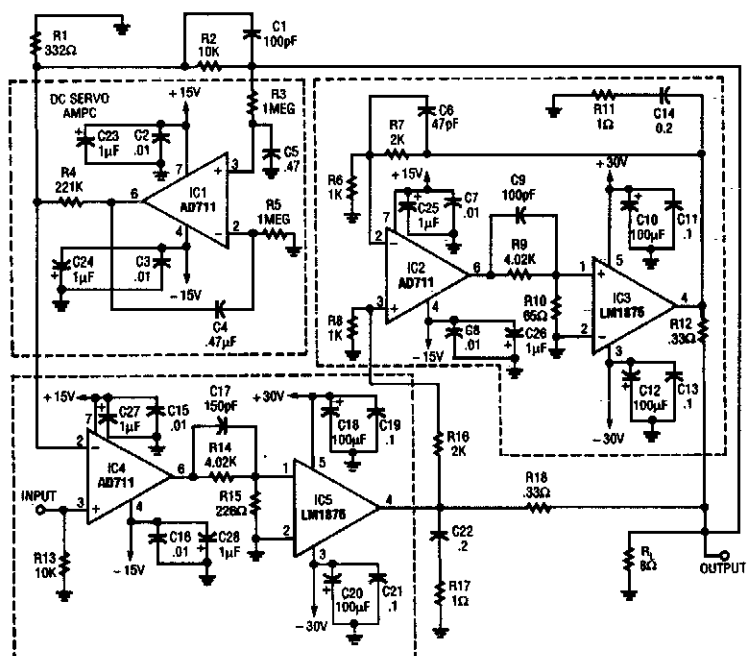
The 20-W + 20-W stereo amp consists of two complete, separate 20-W RMS bridge-type amplifiers. The input signal source is brought into the amplifier through the voltage divider network, which is made up of R1, R2, and P1. Resistor R1 provides a load impedance between the signal source and ground. Resistor R2 couples that signal to potentiometer P1.

The signal is coupled by capacitor C1 to the noninverting (+) input (pin 1) of internal amplifier (A) of IC1, where the signal is greatly amplified. Capacitor C2 couples the (+) input of the other (B) internal amplifier of IC1 to ground. That causes the input signal, which is referenced to ground, to be coupled to both amplifiers because both the inputs and outputs of IC1 (A) and IC1 (B) are connected in a bridge configuration. Notice that the output of IC1 (A) from pin 10 is connected to one side of the speaker and the output of IC1 (B) from pin 8 is connected to the other side of the speaker. That is why the speakers used cannot have one side connected to ground. Resistors R6 and R7 set the gain of the amplifier. Resistors R9 and R10 and capacitors C9 and C10 provide frequency stability and prevent oscillation. Capacitors C6 and C7 provide "bootstrapping," which prevents distortion at low frequencies. LED L1 lights up by way of a series resistor connected from the anode to +12 Vdc when power is applied.

Power for both IC1 and IC2 is brought in through D1 (to protect amplifiers from reverse polarity). Capacitor C11 provides additional power supply line filtering. This booster is capable of producing 20 W RMS output out of each channel.



## 40-W AMPLIFIER

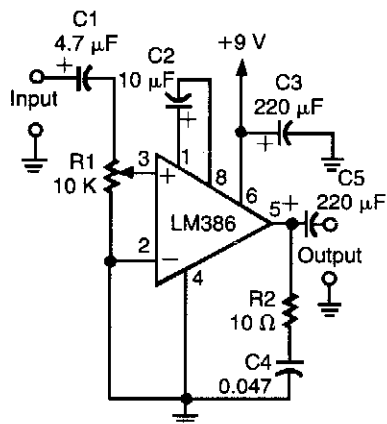


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FIG. 5-2

This circuit uses two LM1875 devices and a dc servo loop. This circuit provides 40-W output. IC3 and IC5 must be heatsinked.

## HALF-WATT SINGLE-CHANNEL AUDIO AMPLIFIER

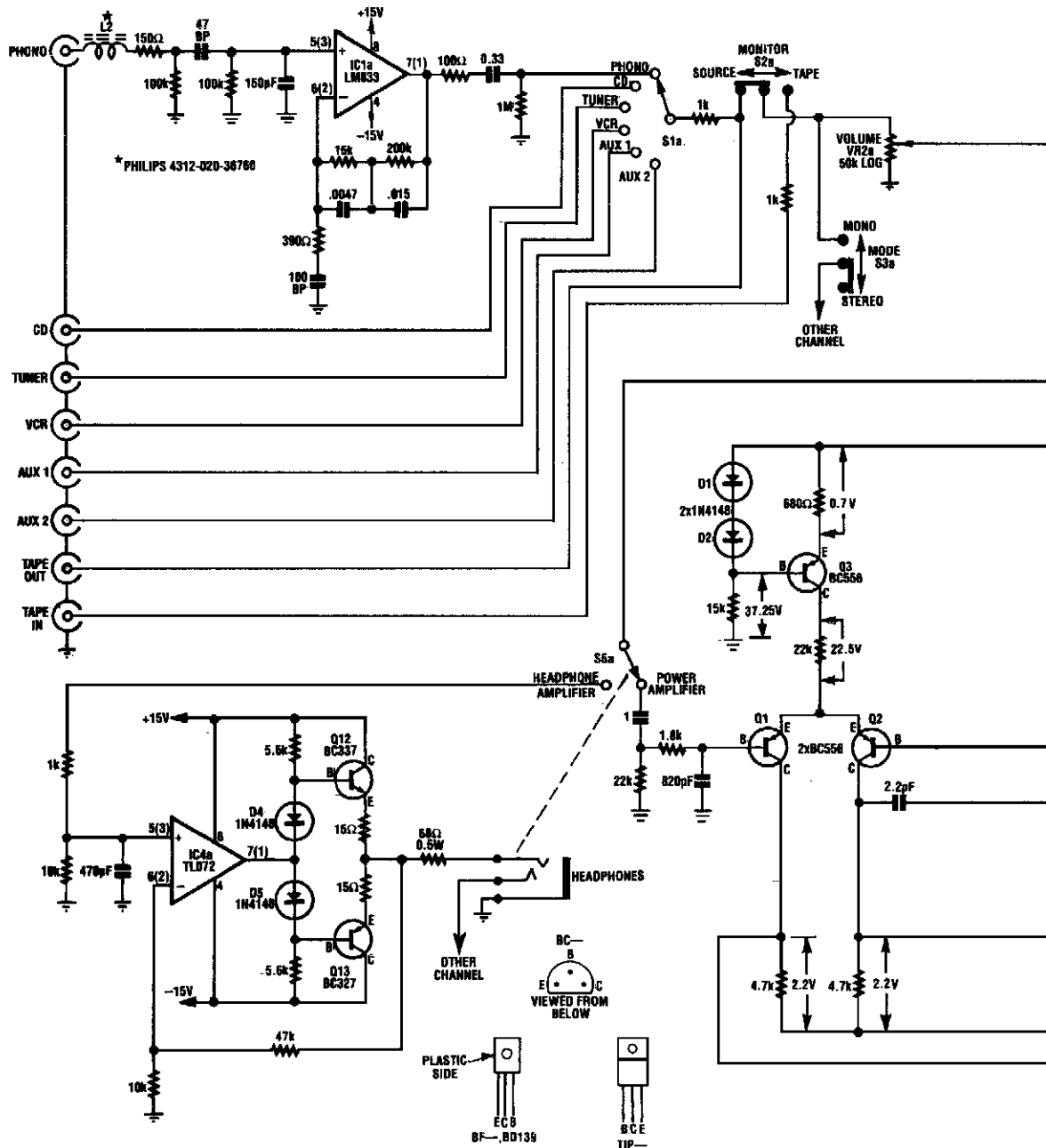


This circuit uses an LM386 IC and will work from 6- to 12-V battery sources. Output is about 0.5 W into 8 Ω.

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FIG. 5-3

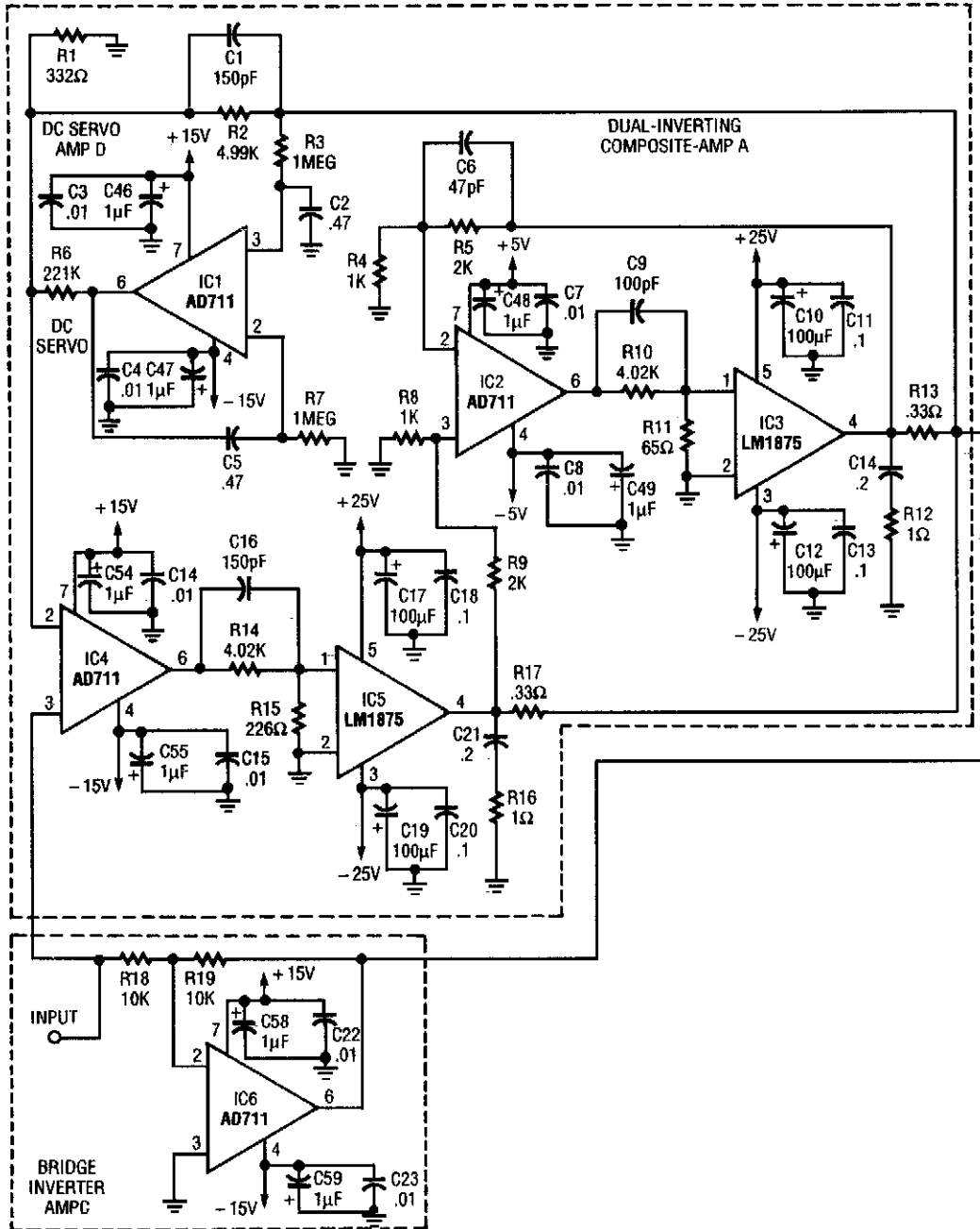
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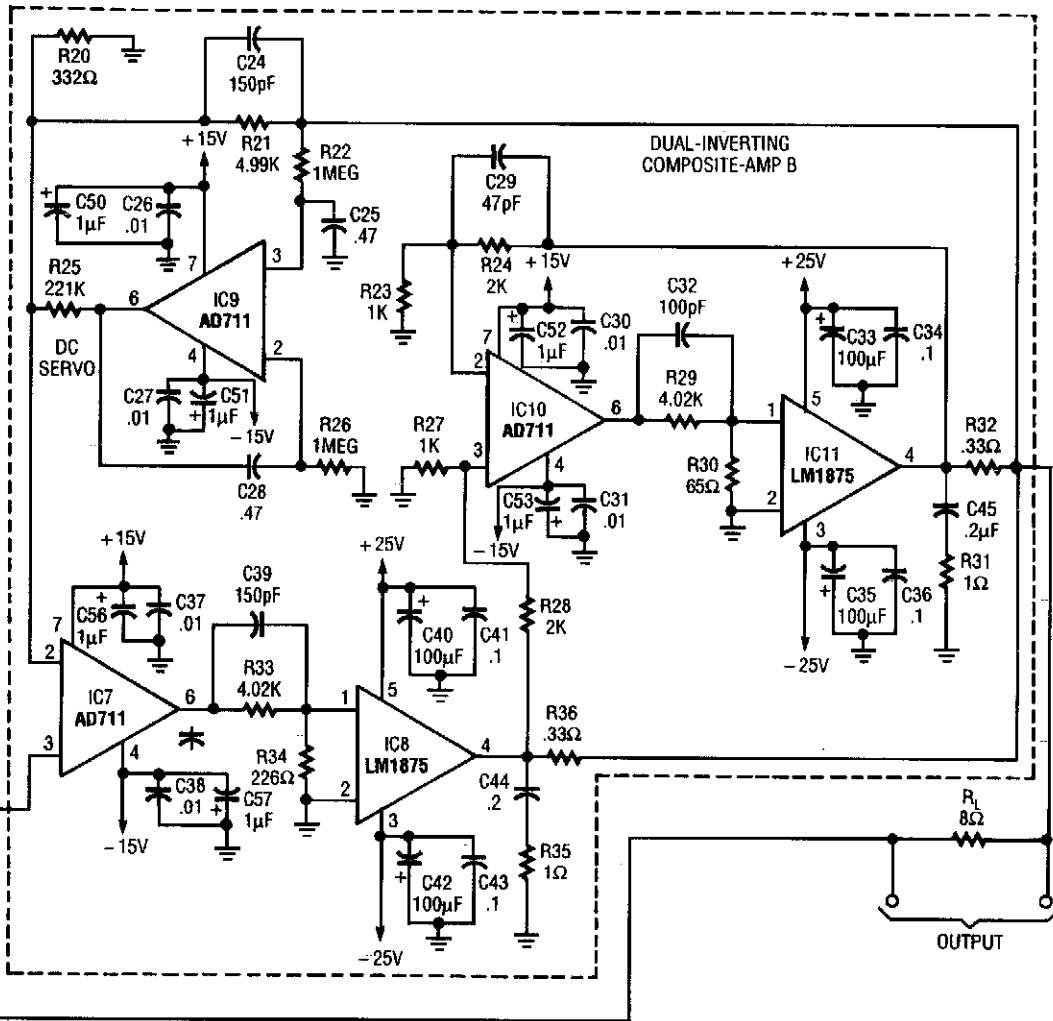


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## A 70-W COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER

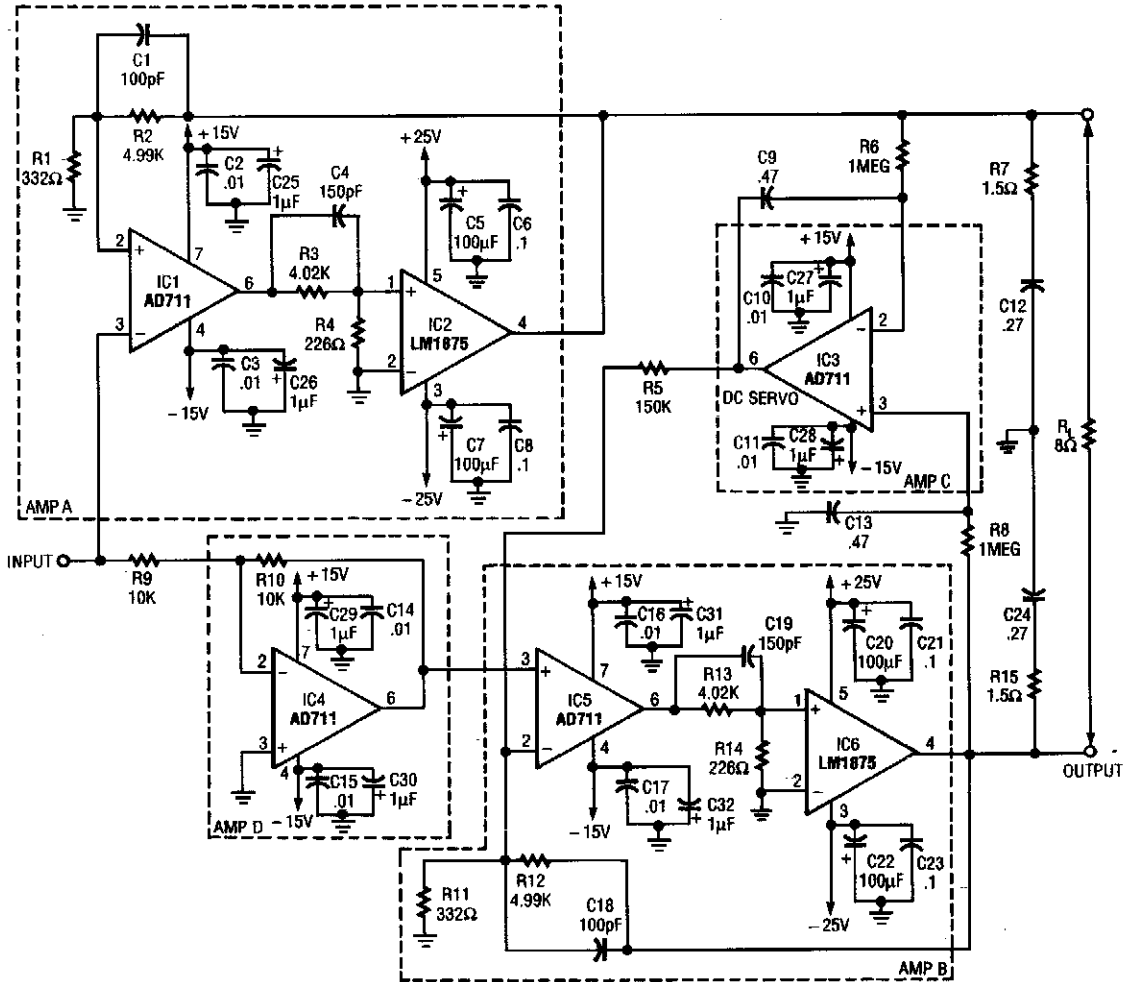




Four LM1875 devices, suitably heatsinked, and a  $\pm 25\text{-V}$  supply, 70 W of output are available from this circuit. IC6 is a phase inverter.

FIG. 5-5

## A 33-W BRIDGE COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER

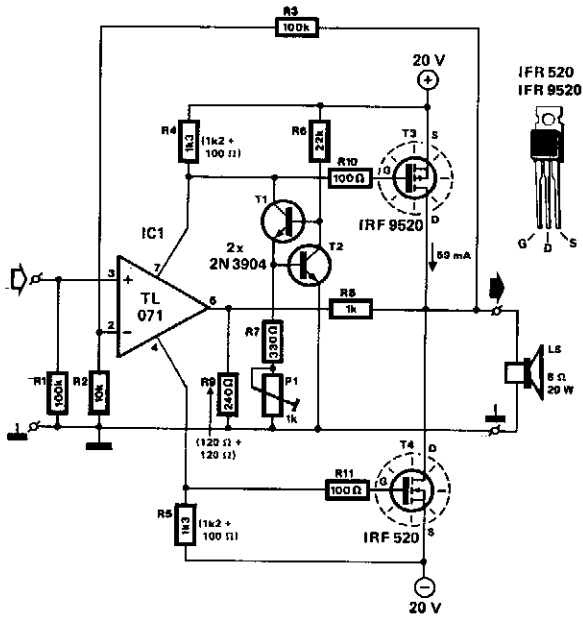


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FIG. 5-6

Two LM1875 ICs provide 33 W of audio. IC4 is used as a phase inverter. IC6 and IC2 must be heatsinked.

## MOSFET POWER AMPLIFIER

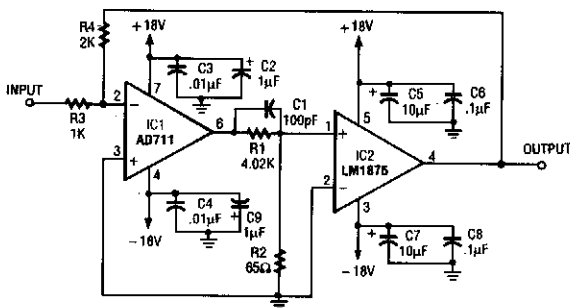


Two complementary MOSFETs are used to deliver 20 W into 8  $\Omega$ . A TL071 op amp is used as an input amplifier. The MOSFETs should be heatsinked with a heatsink of better than 5°C/W capability. THD is less than 0.15% from 100 Hz to 10 kHz.

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FIG. 5-7

## 10-W NONINVERTING COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER

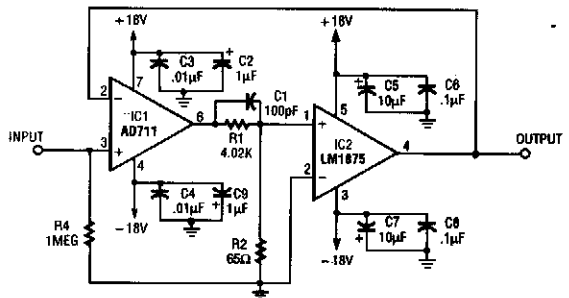


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FIG. 5-8

By using an LM1875, suitably heatsinked, a 10-W amplifier that uses two IC devices can be built. IC2 must be heatsinked.

## 10-W INVERTING COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER

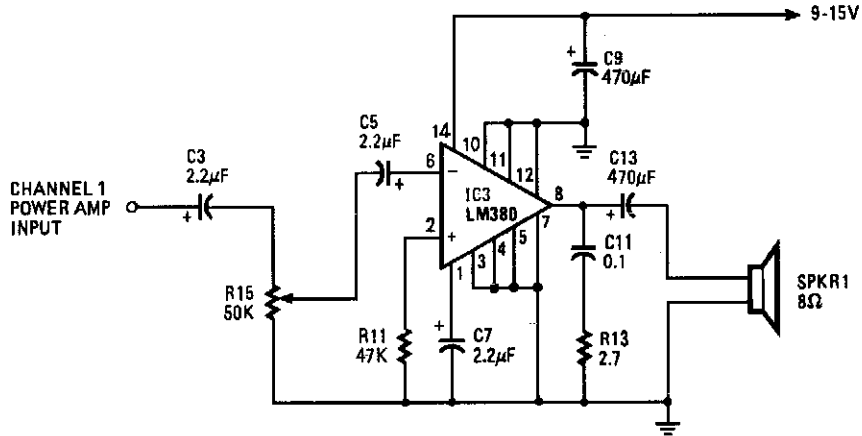


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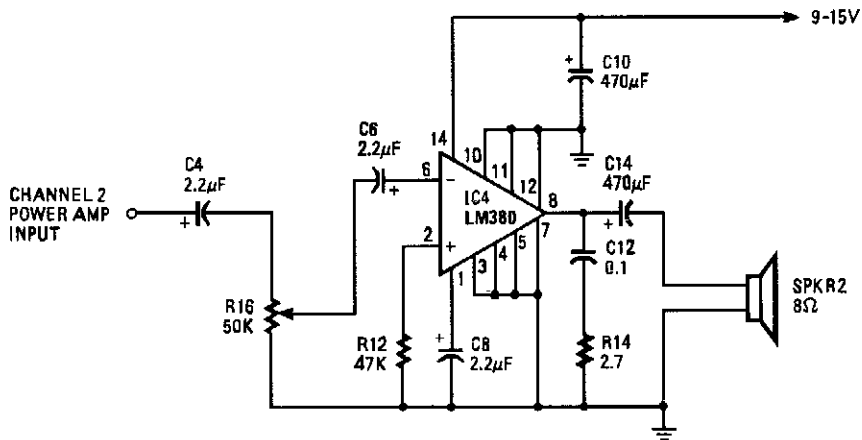
FIG. 5-9

Using an LM1875, a 10-W amplifier can be built using just two IC devices. The gain =  $R_4/R_3$ . Note that IC2 must be heatsinked.

## LM380 PERSONAL STEREO AMPLIFIER



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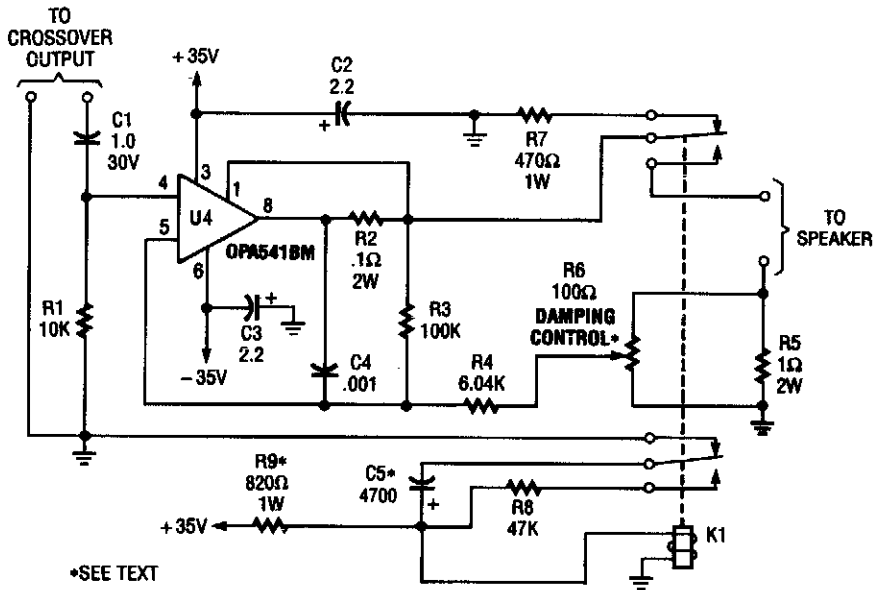


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With the simple circuit, you can use your personal stereo to drive standard 8-Ω speakers.



## SUBWOOFER AMPLIFIER

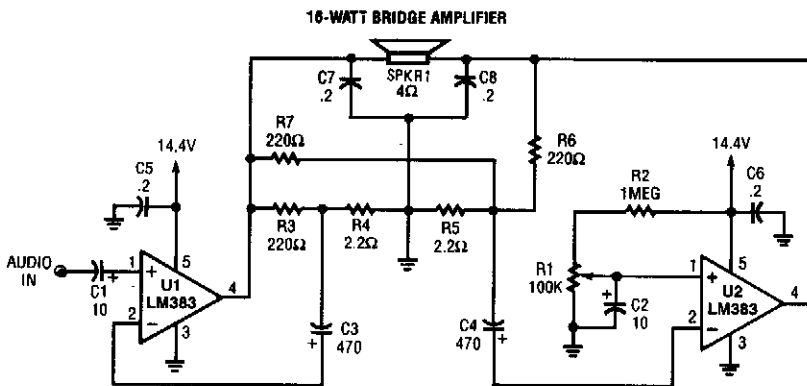


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FIG. 5-11

Designed to feed a low-frequency subwoofer speaker system, the amplifier is capable of up to 100 W into an 8- $\Omega$  load. The OPA541BM op amp requires heatsinking and is manufactured by Burr-Brown Corporation. A damping control and a relay to eliminate turn-on and turn-off thump in the speaker is included.

## 18-W BRIDGE AUDIO AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 5-12

Two LM383 IC devices are used in a bridge circuit that is useful for auto sound applications.

### SUBWOOFER CROSSOVER AMPLIFIER

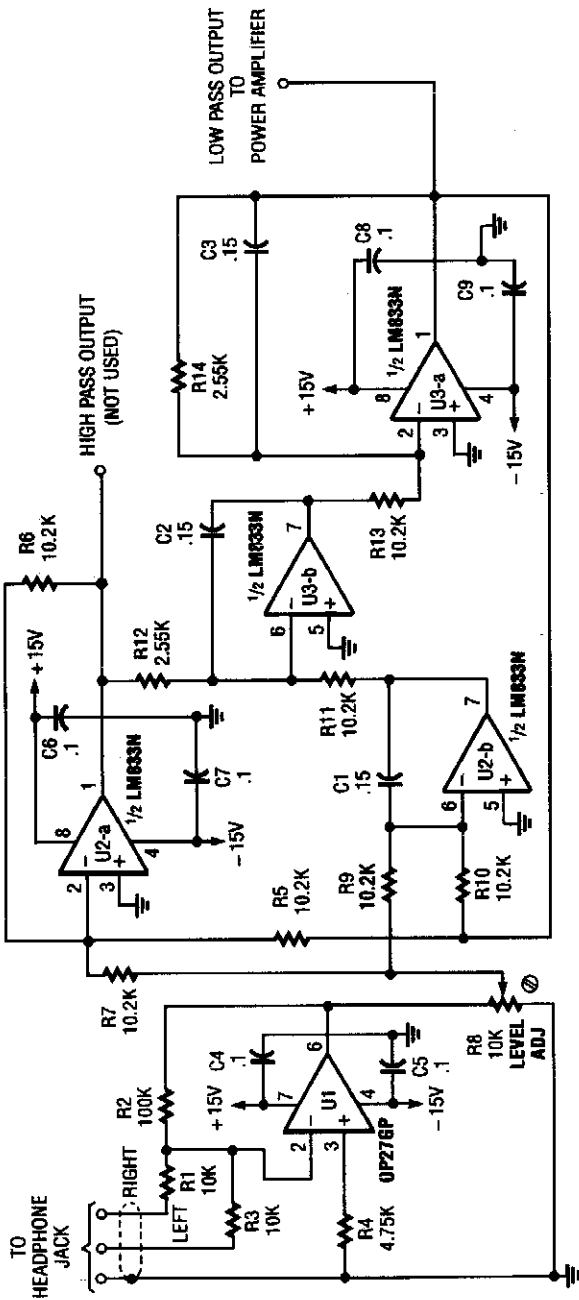
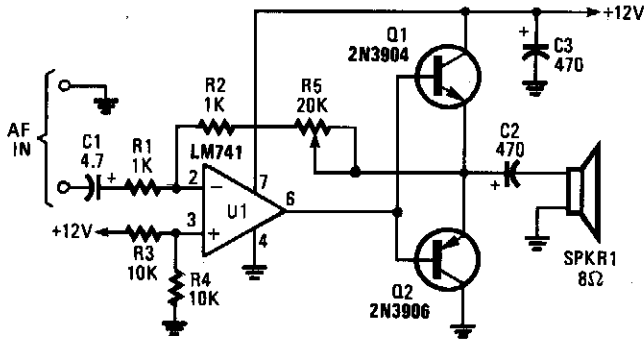


FIG. 5-13

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

The electronic-crossover circuit contains a summing amplifier that combines the left and right channels from a stereo's headphone jack. Originally used in a subwoofer system, the above circuit might be useful in similar audio applications.

## AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER

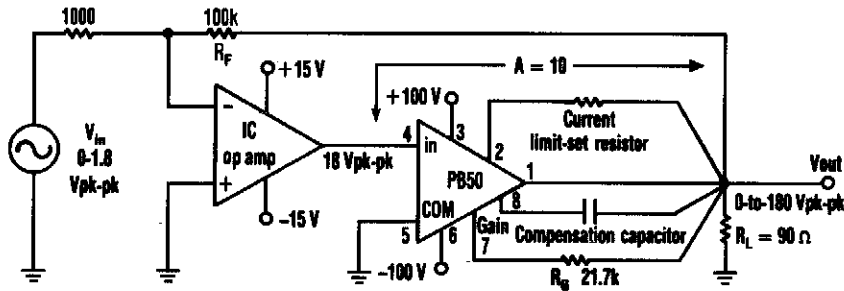


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FIG. 5-14

The circuit, built around an LM741 op amp configured as an inverting amplifier, is used to drive complementary transistors (Q1 and Q2). The op amp's feedback loop includes the base-emitter junctions of both transistors—an arrangement that helps to reduce crossover distortion that would normally occur as a result of the emitter-to-base junction voltage drop of about 0.6 V. Potentiometer R5 varies the amplifier's voltage gain from 1 to about 20. As much as 0.5 W can be obtained from the circuit if a heatsink is added to the transistors.

## FAST HIGH-VOLTAGE LINEAR POWER AMP



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FIG. 5-15

An Apex PB50 Booster Amplifier, plus an IC op amp, can be used in a high-voltage op amp that converts a small analog signal to a 180-V p-p signal.

Apex Microtechnology manufactures a number of power op amps. The above circuit uses a PB50 booster amplifier to deliver a 180-V p-p signal into a 90-Ω load, from a ±100-V supply.

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## Audio Signal Amplifier Circuits

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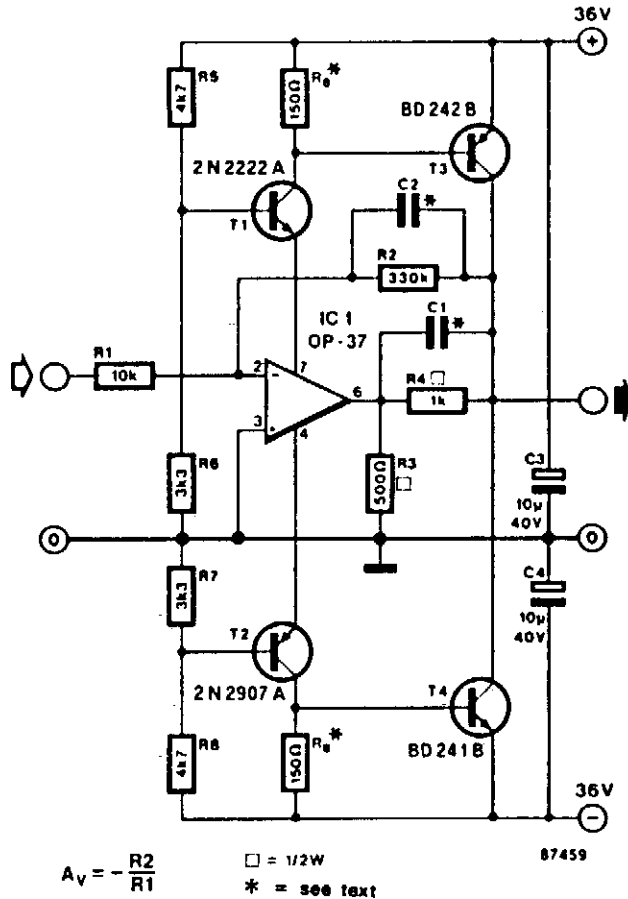
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Headphone Amplifier  
Audio Line Driver  
Constant-Volume Amplifier  
Mini Amplifier Using LM1895N  
Audio Amplifier with Tuneable Filter  
Audio Compressor

JFET Headphone Amplifier  
Dual Preamp  
Magnetic Pickup Phono Amplifier  
Audio Booster  
Audio Volume Limiter  
Audio Distribution Amplifier

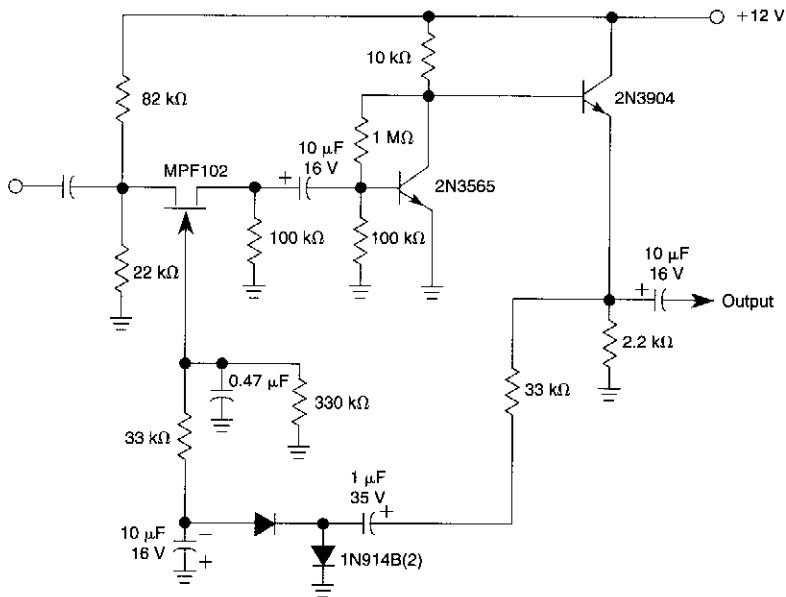


## AUDIO LINE DRIVER



This line driver can drive low-impedance lines with up to 70 V p-p max. IC1 is a low-noise op amp suitable for ±15-V operation. T1 and T2 are regulators for the power supply for IC1. T3 and T4 form a complementary power output stage. Frequency response is flat up to 100 kHz.

## CONSTANT-VOLUME AMPLIFIER

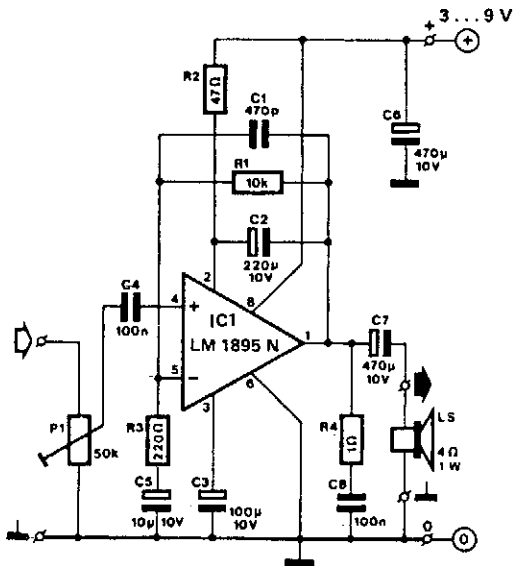


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**FIG. 6-3**

The amplifier has an output level that shifts about 6 dB for a 40-dB input variation.

## MINI AMPLIFIER USING LM1895N



With 3-V to 9-V supplies, this amplifier can provide from 100-mW to 1-W output into a 4 Ω and bandwidth is approximately 20 kHz @ 3 dB. This circuit is useful for low-power and battery applications. Drain is 80 mA @ 3 V or 270 mA @ 9 V at maximum signal conditions.

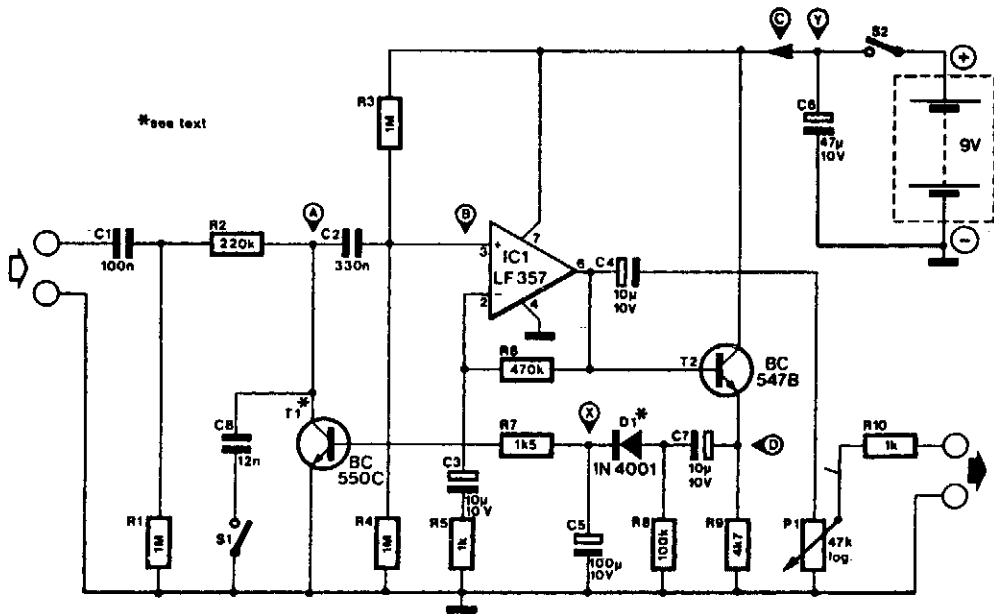
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**FIG. 6-4**





## AUDIO COMPRESSOR

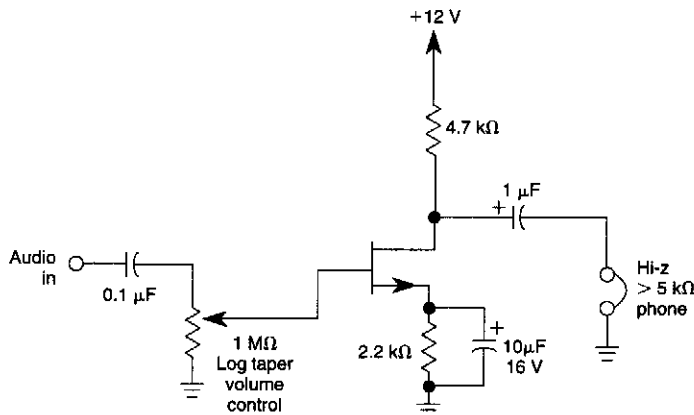


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FIG. 6-6

This compressor will compress a 25-mV p-p to 20-V p-p audio output to input levels remaining between 1.5 V p-p to 3.5 V p-p, and has a frequency response of 7 Hz to 67 kHz. It is suitable for audio and communications applications.

## JFET HEADPHONE AMPLIFIER

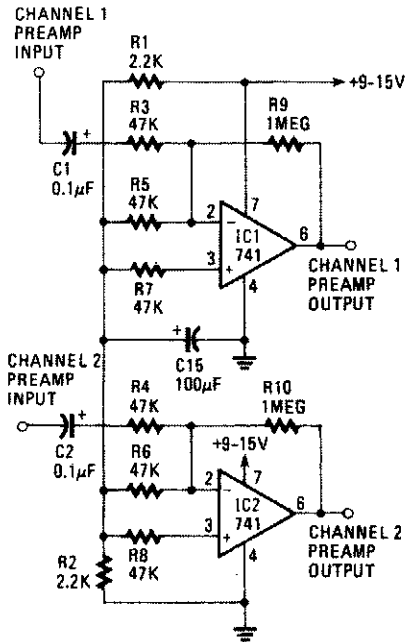


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FIG. 6-7

This circuit can drive high-impedance headphones from a low impedance low-level source. Gain is about 5X to 10X depending on headphone impedance. A volume control is included.

## DUAL PREAMP

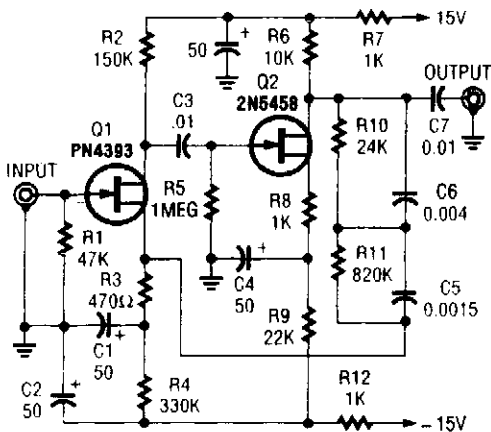


If you wish to amplify low-level signals, such as the output of a turntable, the signal must first be fed to this preamp.

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FIG. 6-8

## MAGNETIC PICKUP PHONO AMPLIFIER

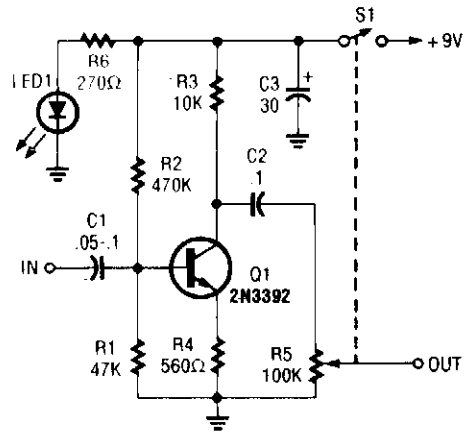


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FIG. 6-9

This preamp is RAA compensated for use with magnetic phone cartridges.

## AUDIO BOOSTER

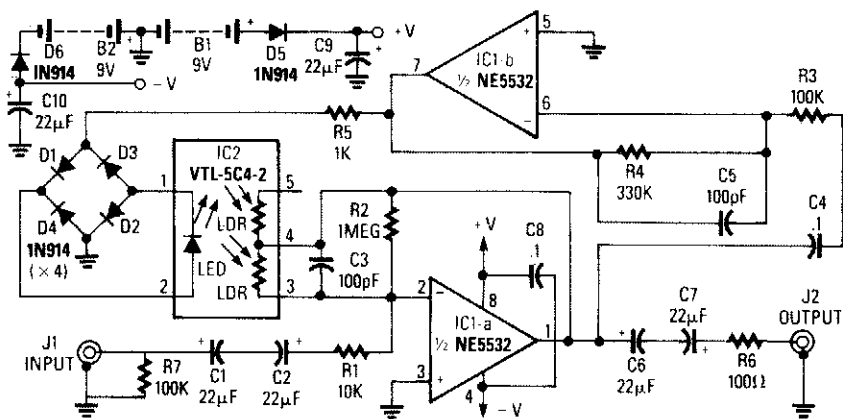


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FIG. 6-10

This circuit has a maximum gain of about 22 dB (voltage gain), and it can be used for miscellaneous audio circuits.

## AUDIO VOLUME LIMITER

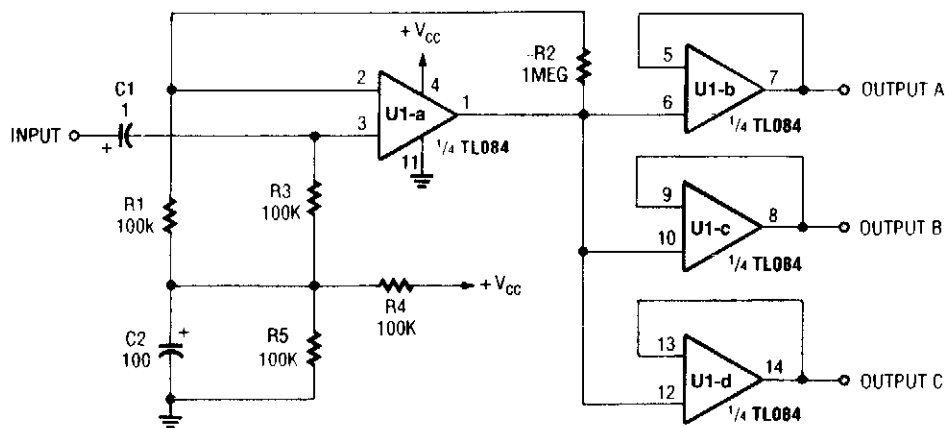


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FIG. 6-11

IC1-a is connected as an inverting amplifier whose gain is controlled by the LDR portion of an optocoupler.

## AUDIO DISTRIBUTION AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 6-12

Three low-Z audio outputs are available from this circuit, using a quad TL084 FET amplifier. The input is high impedance.  $V_{CC}$  can be 6 to 12 V for typical applications.

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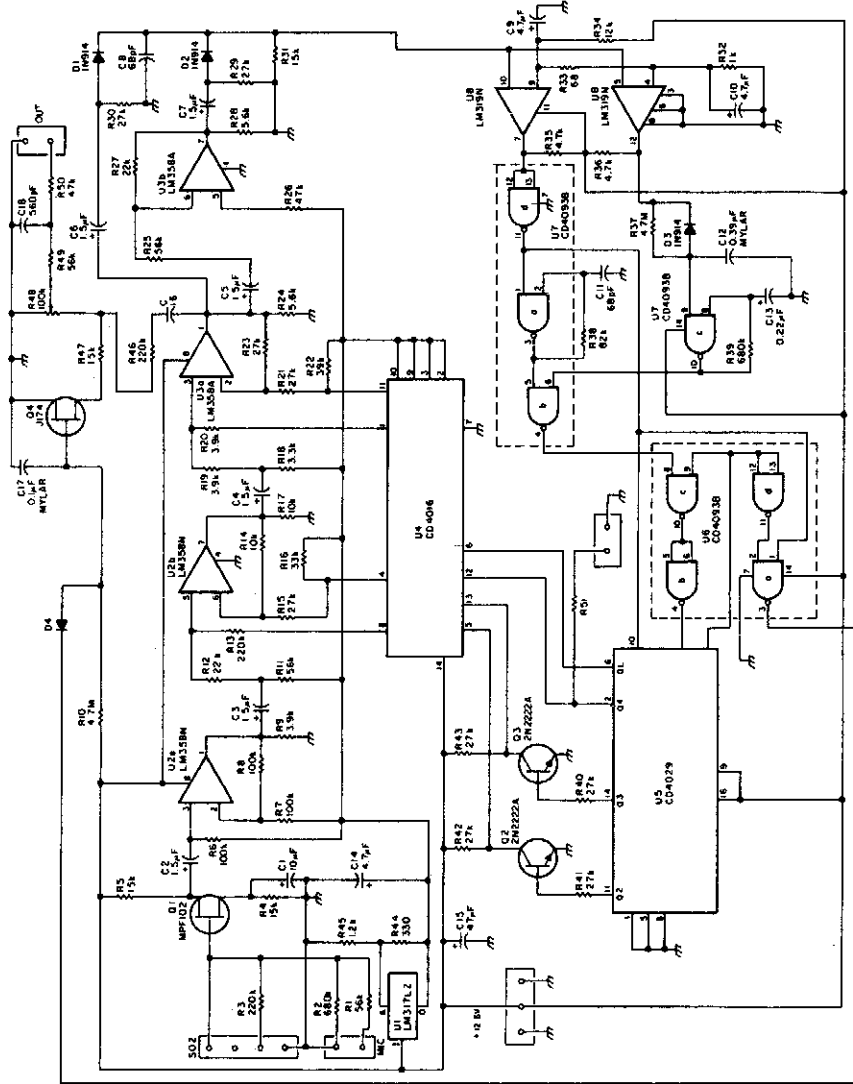
## Automatic Level Control Circuits

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Digital Automatic Level Control (ALC)  
AGC System for Audio Signals  
ALC (Automatic Level Control)

# DIGITAL AUTOMATIC LEVEL CONTROL (ALC)

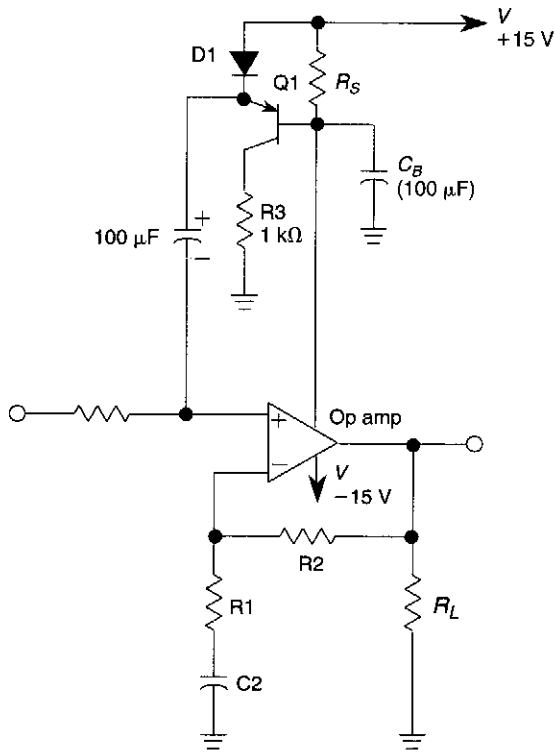


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FIG. 7-1

This approach to automatic level control (ALC) makes use of digitally switched audio attenuators in the signal path. The output level of the system is sensed, compared to a reference, and audio pads are inserted via analog switches. This method is nearly instantaneous and eliminates the compromises necessary in conventional RC network ALC systems using fast attack, slow-decay approaches.

## AGC SYSTEM FOR AUDIO SIGNALS



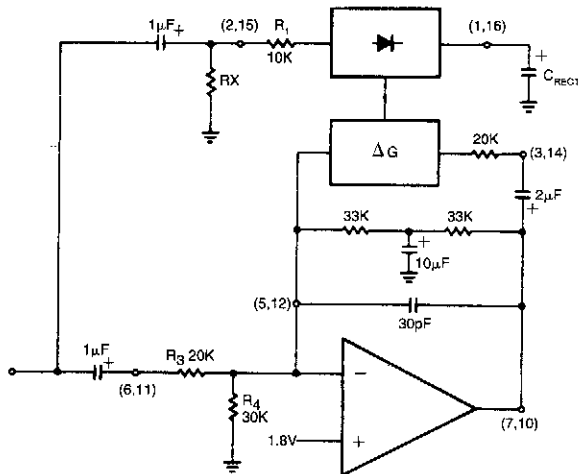
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FIG. 7-2

This circuit is an AGC system for audio-frequency signals. AGC systems usually consist of three parts: an amplifier, rectifier, and controlled impedance. In this circuit the functions of an amplifier and a rectifier are performed by a single op amp. This makes the system simple and cheap.

The rectifier is made with the output push-pull cascade of the op amp and  $R_s$ ,  $R_L$ , and  $C_B$ . The transistor Q1 and D1 are used as a voltage-controlled resistance ( $Z$ ). The input signal is  $(Z + R_1)/Z$  times, diminished by the voltage divider and  $1 + R_2/R_1$  times, amplified by the op amp.  $C_2$  eliminates influence of dc bias voltage.  $R_3$  protects Q1 and D1 from excessive current.

## ALC (AUTOMATIC LEVEL CONTROL)



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FIG. 7-3

The rectifier input is tied to the input. This makes gain inversely proportional to input level so that a 20-dB drop in input level will produce a 20-dB increase in gain. The output will remain fixed at a constant level. The circuit will maintain an output level of  $\pm 1$  dB for an input range of +14 to -43 dB at 1 kHz. Additional external components will allow the output level to be adjusted.

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## Automotive Circuits

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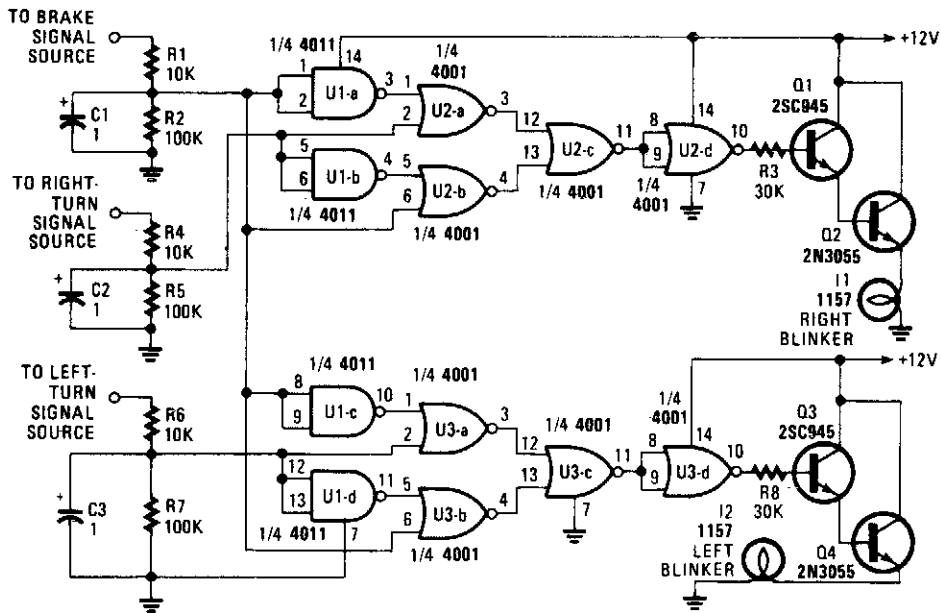
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| CD Ignition System for Autos                     | Headlight Flasher                          |
| Brake and Turn-Signal Light Circuit              | Automotive Audible-Turn Indicator          |
| Vehicular Tachometer Circuit                     | Engine Block Heater Minder                 |
| Smart Turn Signal                                | Headlights-On Reminder                     |
| Manual Headlight/Spotlight Control for Autos     | Brake and Turn Indicator                   |
| Thermostat Switch for Automotive Electric Fans   | Lamp-Switching Circuit                     |
| Flashing Brake Light                             | Automatic Turn-Off Control for Automobiles |
| Power Controller (for Automotive Accessories)    | Alternator Regulator                       |
| Automotive Power Adapter for dc-Operated Devices | Auto Generator Regulator                   |
| Time-Delay Auto-Kill Switch                      | Lights-On Reminder                         |
| Booster Amplifier for Car Stereo Use             | Auto Fuse Monitor                          |
| Auto Turn-Signal Reminder                        | Headlight Alarm                            |





## BRAKE AND TURN-SIGNAL LIGHT CIRCUIT

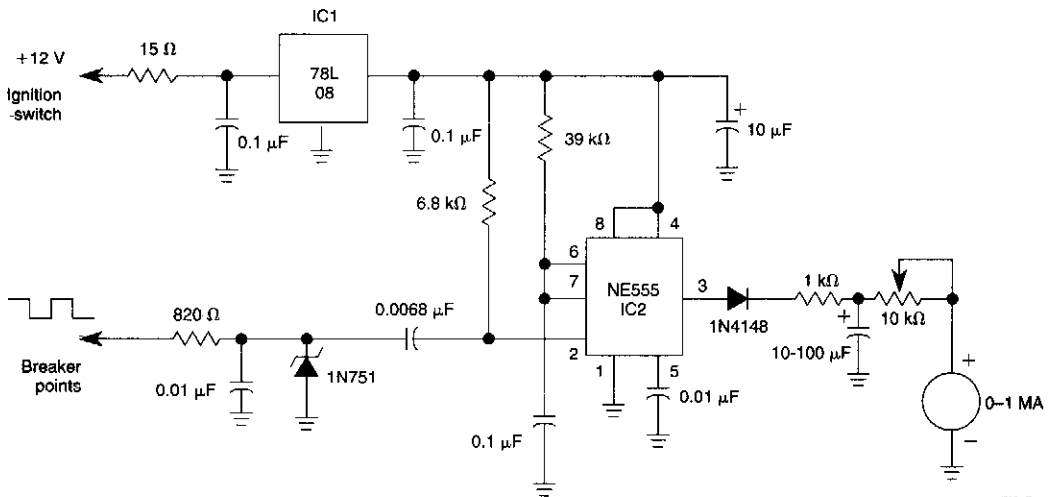


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FIG. 8-2

This circuit enables single-filament tail lights to serve as combination brake lights and turn signals.

## VEHICULAR TACHOMETER CIRCUIT



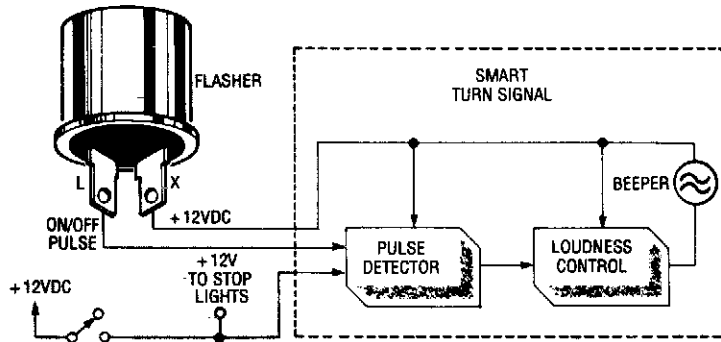
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FIG. 8-3

In this automotive application, the 555 is a pulse counter. IC1 regulator provides proper operating voltage for IC2. This circuit is for vehicles with conventional breaker points.



### SMART TURN SIGNAL (Cont.)

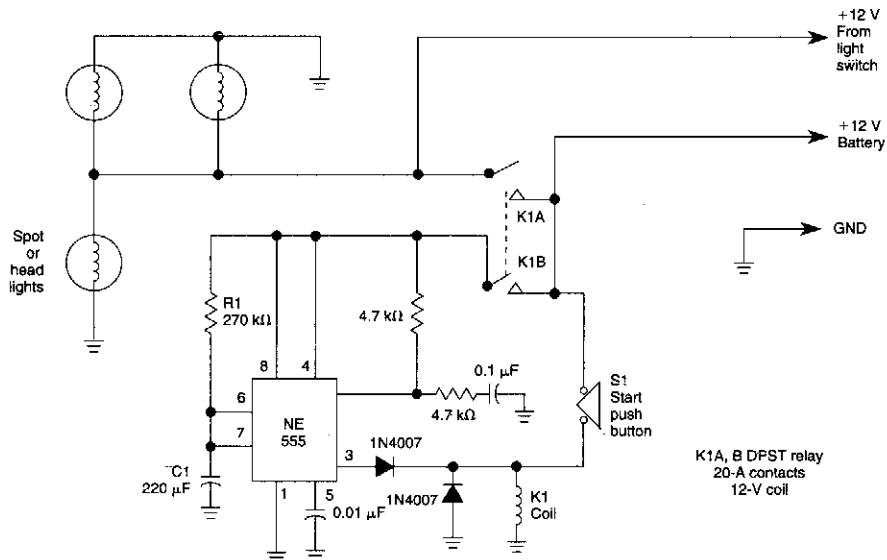


Flasher terminal L connects to the load and X connects to the 12-volt supply. When the driver engages the turn signal, the L terminal voltage varies with the blinking lights. The STS senses the changing voltage and, after 15 seconds, it applies power to a buzzer through a current-limiting device to control loudness.

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This circuit reminds a driver that his turn signal has been left on for more than 15 seconds. When stopped for a light, the brake-on signal holds the warning off.

### MANUAL HEADLIGHT/SPOTLIGHT CONTROL FOR AUTOS



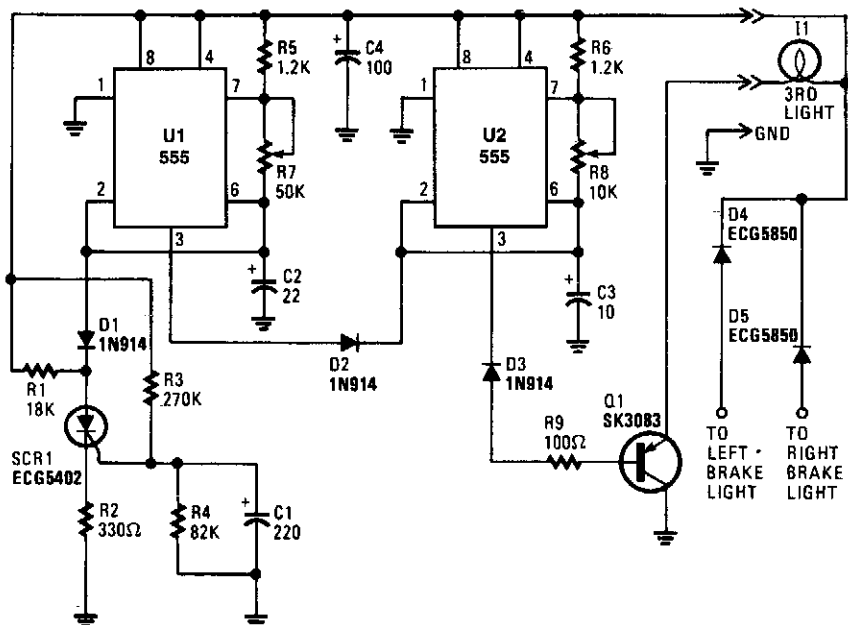
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FIG. 8-5

Pressing the START pushbutton turns on either the headlights or spotlights for a predetermined time. After 1 minute (R1 and C1 determine this), the lights will shut off as the NE555 completes its cycle.



## FLASHING BRAKE LIGHT

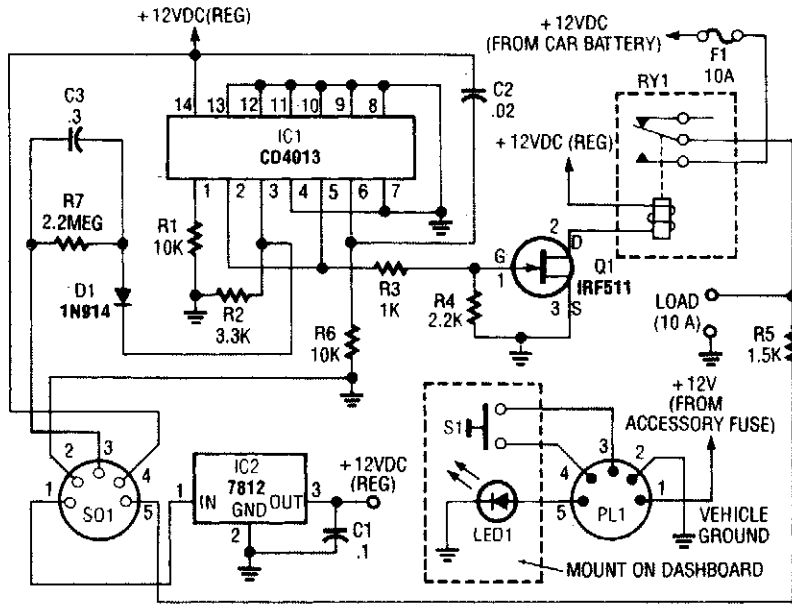


When power is first applied, three things happen: the light-driving transistor (Q1) is switched on because of a low output from U2, pin 3; timer U1 begins its timing cycle, with the output (pin 3) going high, inhibiting U2's trigger (pin 2) via D2; and charge current begins to move through R3 and R4 to C1.

When U1's output goes low, the inhibiting bias on U2 pin 2 is removed, so U2 begins to oscillate, flashing the third light via Q1, at a rate determined by R8, R6, and C3. Oscillation continues until the gate-threshold voltage of SCR1 is reached, causing it to fire and pull U1's trigger (pin 2) low. With its trigger low, U1's output is forced high, disabling U2's triggering. With triggering inhibited, U2's output switches to a low state, which makes Q1 conduct, turning on I1 until the brakes are released. Removing power from the circuits resets SCR1, but the RC network consisting of R4 and C1 will not discharge immediately and will trigger SCR1 earlier. So, frequent brake use means fewer flashes.

Bear in mind that the collector/emitter voltage drop across Q1, along with the loss across the series-fed diodes, reduces the maximum available light output. If the electrical system is functioning properly (at 13 to 14 V for most vehicles), those losses will be negligible.

## POWER CONTROLLER (FOR AUTOMOTIVE ACCESSORIES)

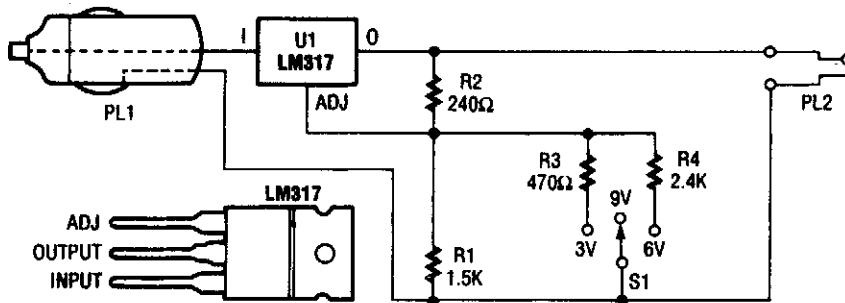


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FIG. 8-8

Because the power controller is powered from the vehicle's accessory switch, the load can receive power only when the ignition key is on. Using half of a dual flip-flop (CD4013), a load of up to 10 A is controlled by a momentary pushbutton. This circuit was originally intended for automotive power control, but could have other applications as well.

## AUTOMOTIVE POWER ADAPTER FOR dc-OPERATED DEVICES

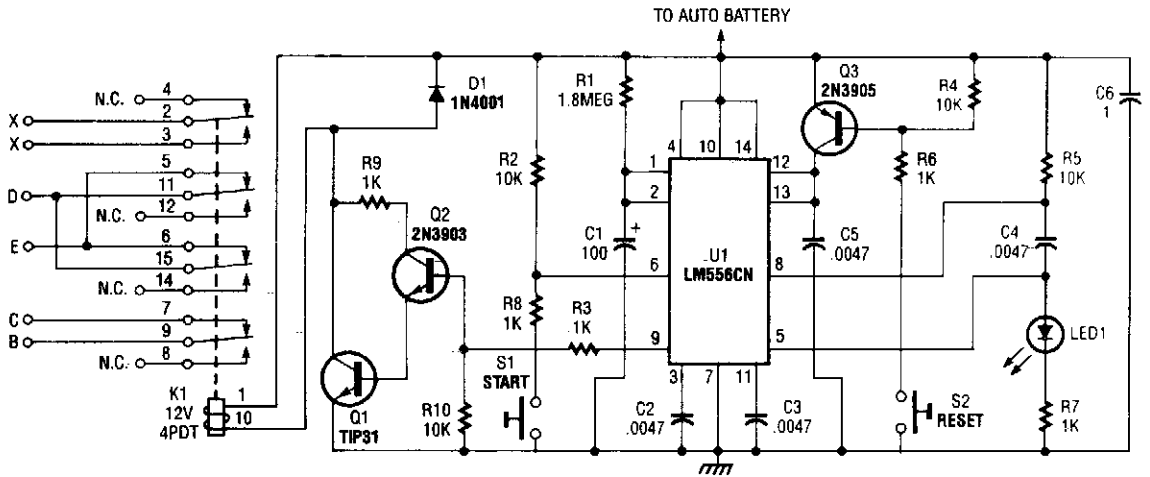


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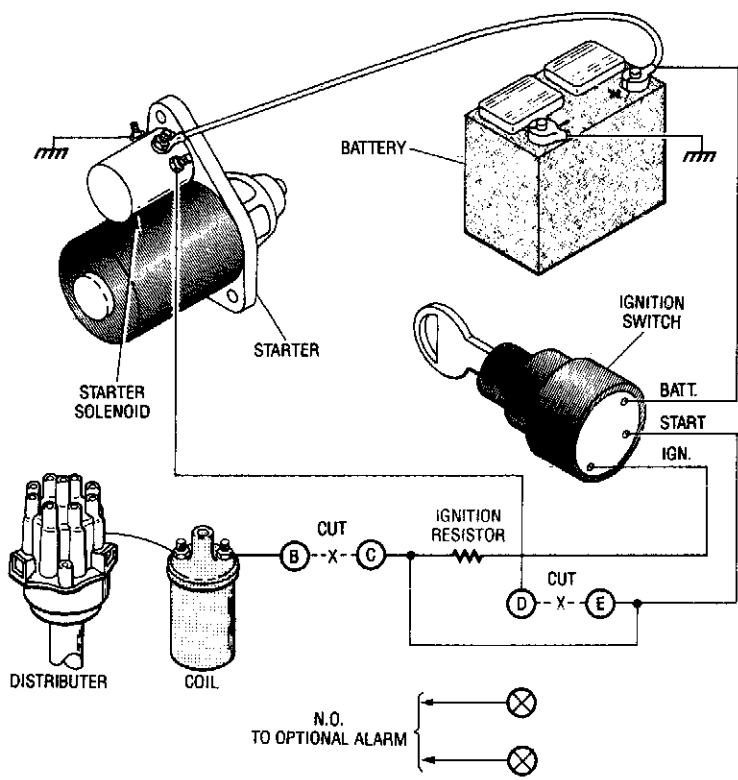
FIG. 8-9

In the schematic diagram for the car-power adapter, note how the value of  $R_B$  (which is R1 and S1 in the center position) is changed by putting R3 or R4 in parallel with R1.

# TIME-DELAY AUTO-KILL SWITCH



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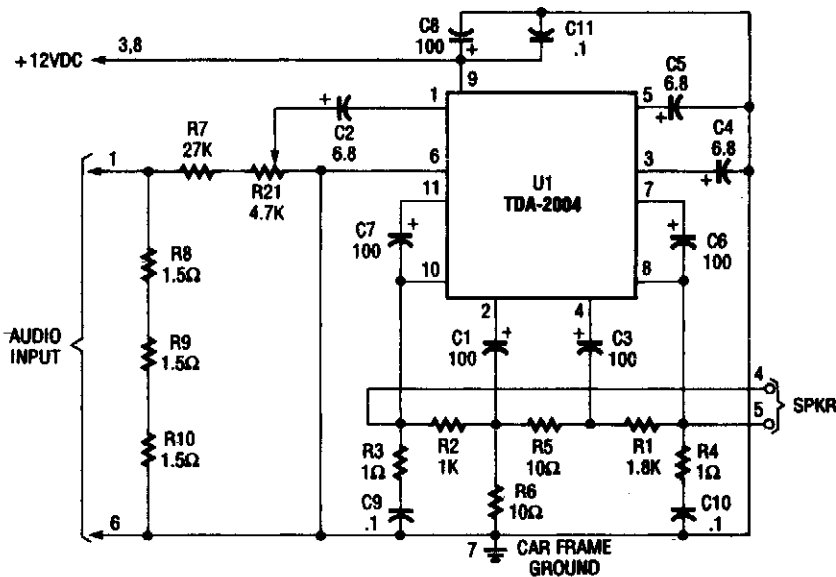


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## TIME-DELAY AUTO-KILL SWITCH (Cont.)

The automobile delayed kill switch is simple in concept. When you get out of your car, a secretly located pushbutton switch is pressed. Nothing apparently happens, but at the end of a predetermined time, a relay is pulled in and locked. When the relay is pulled in, contacts open, and the hot lead from the ignition to the coil and the hot wire from the key switch to the starter solenoid is opened or disconnected. If the engine is running, it stops immediately and the starter will not operate. When you get into the car, another pushbutton switch is pressed and the relay drops out and everything goes back to normal.

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FIG. 8-11

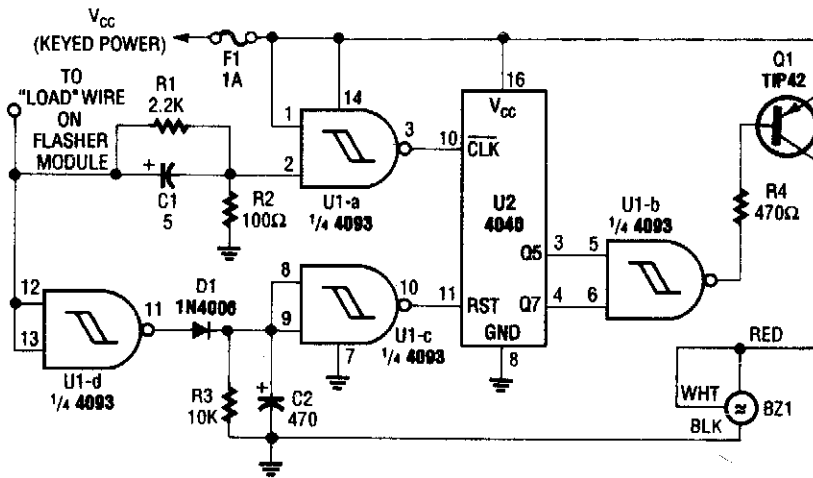
Only one channel of this circuit is shown. The other is practically a carbon copy.

The input to the circuit, taken from your car radio's speaker output, is divided along two paths; in one path, a high-power divider network (consisting of R8 through R10) provides 4.5-Ω resistance to make the circuit's input impedance compatible with the output impedance of the car radio. In the other path, the signal is fed to the input of U1 through resistor R7, trimmer potentiometer R21, and capacitor C2. Together, R7 and R21 offer a minimum resistance of 27,000 Ω.

Integrated circuit U1 (a TDA-2004 audio power amplifier) amplifies the signal, which is then output at pins 8 and 10 and fed to the loudspeaker. Note: This amp is designed for use only with car radios whose speaker outputs are referenced to ground: do not use it with radios that have balanced outputs.



## AUTO TURN-SIGNAL REMINDER

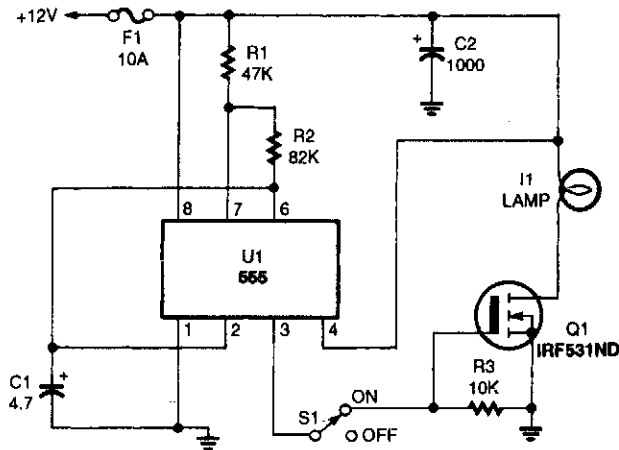


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FIG. 8-12

This circuit counts turn signal flashes. At the end of about 70 flashes, a chime sounds to remind the driver to turn off the turn signal. By using various taps on U2, the period can be changed if desired. BZ1 is a buzzer or chime module.

## HEADLIGHT FLASHER

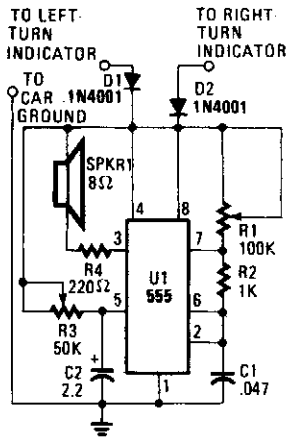


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FIG. 8-13

The headlight flasher is nothing more than a 555 oscillator/timer that's configured as an astable multivibrator (oscillator). Its output is used to drive the gate of an IRF531ND hexFET, which, in turn, acts like an on/off switch, turning the lamp on and off at the oscillating frequency (1 Hz).

## AUTOMOTIVE AUDIBLE-TURN INDICATOR

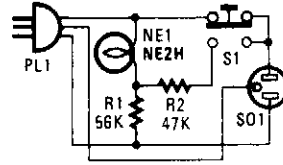


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FIG. 8-14

This little circuit should be useful to the hearing impaired. It produces a tone each time a dashboard turn indicator lights. The tone drops in frequency for as long as the indicator is lit.

## ENGINE BLOCK HEATER MINDER

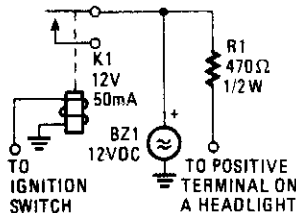


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FIG. 8-15

If you live in the frozen north, knowing your engine-block heater is working is a comfort. This device will let you know if yours is okay. Plug in PL1 to your power outlet. NE1 should light. Then, plug in the block heater. Depressing S1 should cause the indicator to get brighter. If not, your block heater might be open and inoperative.

## HEADLIGHTS-ON REMINDER

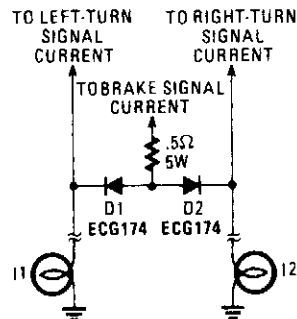


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FIG. 8-16

This circuit will sound alarm BZ1 if the ignition is turned off with the headlights on.

## BRAKE AND TURN INDICATOR

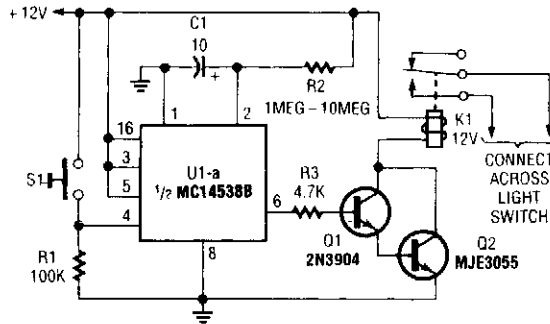


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FIG. 8-17

This might be a quick solution to getting the two-wire truck harness to support both turn and braking indications.

## LAMP-SWITCHING CIRCUIT



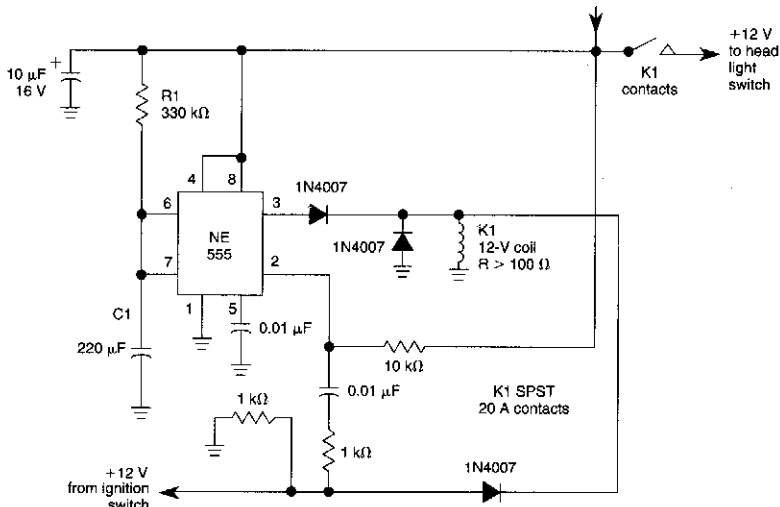
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FIG. 8-18

A normally open pushbutton switch (S1) delivers a positive input pulse to pin 4 of U1, triggering the IC into action. The output of U1 at pin 6 supplies base-drive current to a Darlington pair comprised of Q1 and Q2, activating K1. A 10-μF capacitor and any resistor value of from 1 to 10 MΩ can be used as the timing components.

To use the circuit on an auto's headlights, connect the relay's normally open contacts across the car's headlight switch and press S1 to extend the on time. In connecting the circuit to control an ac-operated lamp, turn off the ac power and connect the relay contacts in parallel with the lamp's power switch contacts.

## AUTOMATIC TURN-OFF CONTROL FOR AUTOMOBILES

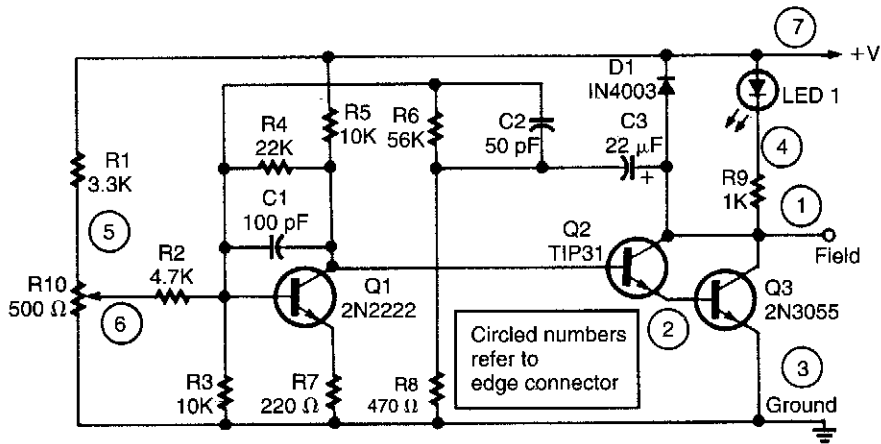


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FIG. 8-19

When the ignition switch is on, relay K1 is energized continuously, and the headlights can be turned on. Turning off the ignition turns on timer IC1, which keeps IC1 energized for a time determined by R1 and C1. With the values shown approximately a 1 minute delay will result. The values of R1 or C1 can be changed to vary this delay time.

## ALTERNATOR REGULATOR

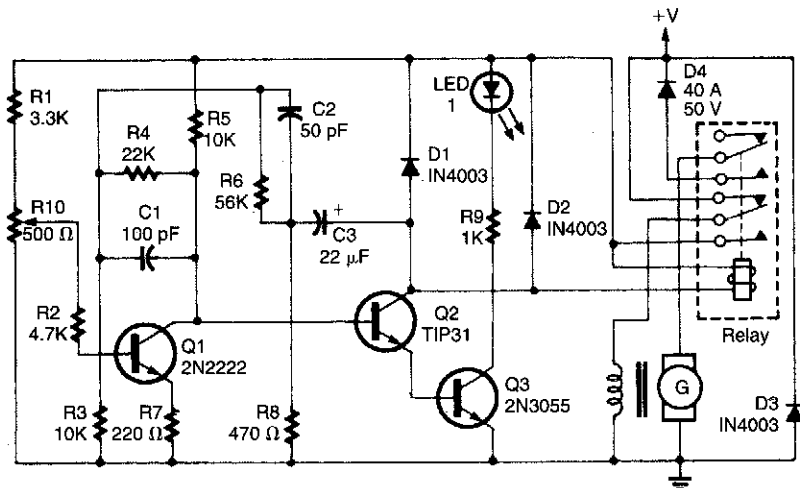


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FIG. 8-20

This alternator regulator uses a 3-transistor dc amplifier, and is designed for a "pulled up" field system, where one side of the alternate field returns to the +12-V supply, and the other end is pulled toward ground. The circuit monitors the state of the battery through a resistive divider and causes the voltage to change at the field terminal.

## AUTO GENERATOR REGULATOR

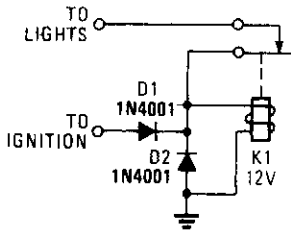


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FIG. 8-21

This regulator is for the purpose of controlling a dc generator. The field configuration is that one side of the field is grounded. D4 prevents the battery from discharging through the generator and takes the place of the mechanical cut-out relay. R10 adjusts the system voltage setting.

## LIGHTS-ON REMINDER

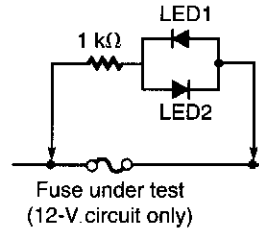


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FIG. 8-22

A relay and two diodes are all that is needed—the relay performs the job of a buzzer so no annunciator is required. When the lights are left on, but the ignition is off, the normally closed relay contacts are in series with the relay coil. That means the relay interrupts its own power each time it becomes active, so it chatters and acts like a buzzer. This is a real minimalistic headlight reminder. It doesn't even require an annunciator because the relay acts as buzzer.

## AUTO FUSE MONITOR

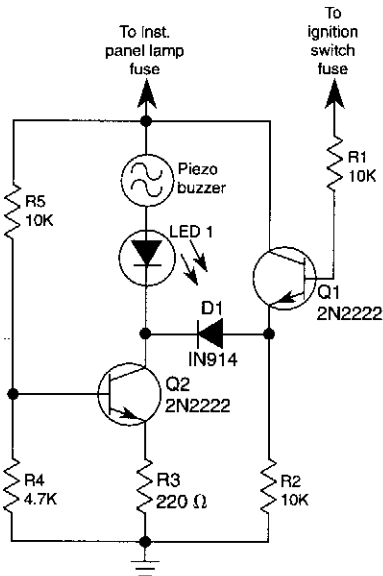


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FIG. 8-23

This circuit can quickly check a fuse in an automobile circuit. Connect across suspected fuse—either LED glows, fuse is blown. The circuit must be live for this test to work.

## HEADLIGHT ALARM



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FIG. 8-24

The base of Q1 is connected to the car's ignition circuit; the easiest point to make that connection is at the ignition switch fuse in the car's fuse panel. Also, one side of the piezoelectric buzzer is connected to the instrument-panel light fuse; when the headlights or parking lights are on, the instrument panel is lit, too. When the headlights are off, no current reaches the buzzer. Therefore, nothing happens. What happens when the headlights are on depends on the state of the ignition switch. When the ignition switch is on, transistors Q1 and Q2 are biased on, effectively removing the buzzer and the LED from the circuit.

When the ignition switch is turned off, but the headlight switch remains on, transistor Q1 is turned off, but transistor Q2 continues to be biased on. The result is that the voltage across the piezoelectric buzzer and the LED is sufficient to cause the buzzer to sound loudly and the LED to light.

# 9

## Battery Charger Circuits

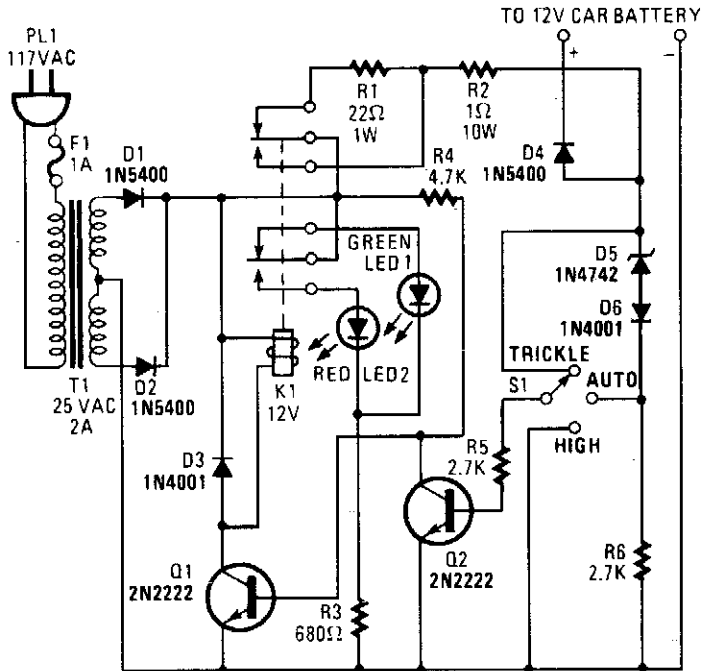
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Lead-Acid Trickle Charger
- RF-Type Battery Charger
- Battery Charger
- Solar-Powered Battery Charger
- Intelligent Battery-Charging Circuit



## BATTERY CHARGER



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FIG. 9-3

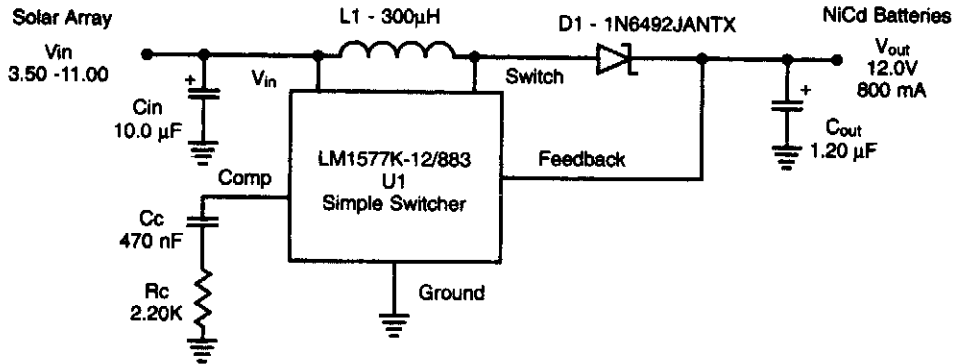
The circuit is capable of supplying either a trickle (50 mA) or high-current (1-A) charge. You can select either charging method or an automatic mode that will first trickle charge a battery if it is particularly low before switching to high-current charging.

If the battery's voltage is low, Zener-diode D5 will not conduct sufficient current to produce a voltage drop across R6 to turn Q2 on. With Q2 off, R4 pulls the base of Q1 high, turning it on. That activates K1. With K1 active, the only thing between the battery and the power supply is R2 and D4 (which prevents current from flowing through the circuit from the battery).

Once the battery charges a bit, the current through D5 increases, causing a voltage drop across R6 that is of sufficient magnitude to turn on Q2. Transistor Q2, in turn, grounds the base of Q1, keeping it off. With Q1 off, K1 remains in its normally closed state. That places R1 in series with the battery, thereby reducing the current to a trickle.



## SOLAR-POWERED BATTERY CHARGER

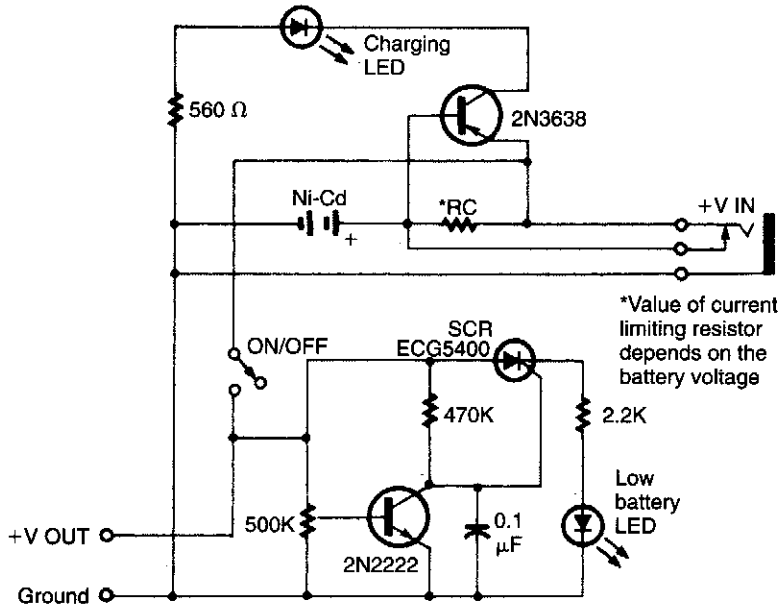


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FIG. 9-4

A National Semiconductor LM1577 IC is used in a step-up regulator to charge Nicad batteries from a solar panel.

## INTELLIGENT BATTERY-CHARGING CIRCUIT



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FIG. 9-5

Intended for a Nicad application this charging circuit can be used with a wide range of batteries. A low-battery detector is intended. The trip voltage is set via the 500-kΩ pot. Select  $R_C$  for the battery you intend to use.

# 10

## Battery Test and Monitor Circuits

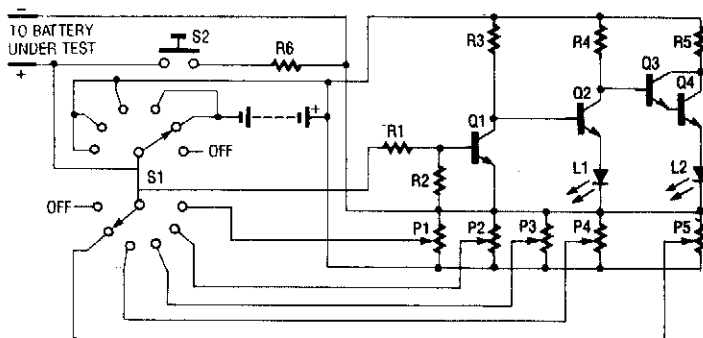
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Battery Tester
- Car Battery Tester for Cranking Amps
- Supply Voltage Monitor
- Battery Watchdog
- Battery Test Circuit
- Battery Voltage Monitor
- Battery Saver Circuit
- 0–2-A Battery Current Monitor with Digital Output
- Car Battery and Alternator Monitor
- Relay Fuse for Battery Charges
- Bargraph LED Battery Tester

## BATTERY TESTER



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FIG. 10-1

The battery tester uses four transistors and two LEDs to indicate the condition of any battery you want to test. Q3 and Q4 are connected in a Darlington configuration that has extremely high gain. LED L2 lights when a small positive potential appears on the base of Q3. Transistors Q1 and Q2 form a direct-coupled dc-amplifier circuit. The output of this stage drives the red LED L1. Rotary switch S1 is used to select different ranges (which have been previously set by adjusting trimmer resistors P1 through P5).

The positive (+) lead goes through the selected contacts of S1 to the biasing resistors R3, R4, and R5. The negative (-) lead of the battery under test goes to the ground or common lead of the circuit and the (+) side to one side of P1 through P5.

|               |                                |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| L1            | Red LED                        |
| L2            | Green LED                      |
| P1 through P5 | 5-k $\Omega$ trimmer resistor  |
| R1            | 100 k $\Omega$                 |
| R2, R3        | 33 k $\Omega$                  |
| R4, R5        | 470 $\Omega$                   |
| R6            | 12 $\Omega$ 1 W                |
| S1            | 2 P6 position NS rotary switch |
| S2            | NO pushbutton switch           |

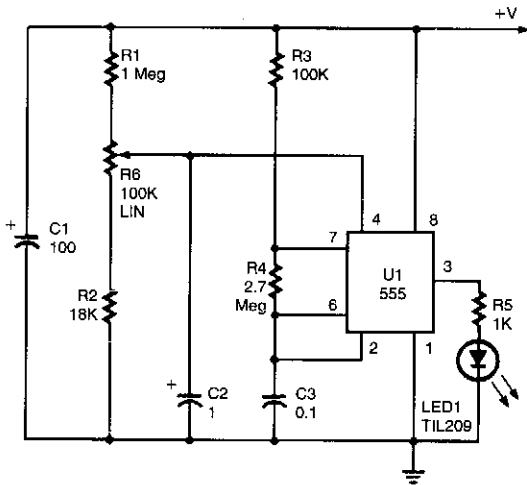
Depending on the position of S1, a particular trimmer resistor (wiper lead) is selected. That lead goes through the contact on S1 to resistor R1 and into the base of npn transistor Q1. If the battery is good enough, (+) voltage goes to the base of Q1, turning it on. This turns Q2 off, which then allows Q3 to turn on. That causes Q4 to turn on and light green LED L2.

If the battery is weak, Q1 will not turn on, which will cause Q2 to be biased on by R3, which in turn lights red LED L1. When Q1 is on, it biases the base of Q3 negative, and causes Q3 to be turned off. That prevents L2 from turning on.

The circuit operates in the same manner for all ranges except the first two, where a 9-V battery has been added by S1 to be in series with the input voltage to allow for testing of very low voltage batteries. That is because at voltages below 2 Vdc, LEDs will not light and the circuit would be unable to set a low-voltage (<2-V) battery without the additional internal-battery voltage. A load resistor has also been included; it allows the battery under test to be connected to a load to give a better indication of its condition. That load resistor is connected across the battery when normally open (NO) switch S2 is depressed.



## SUPPLY VOLTAGE MONITOR

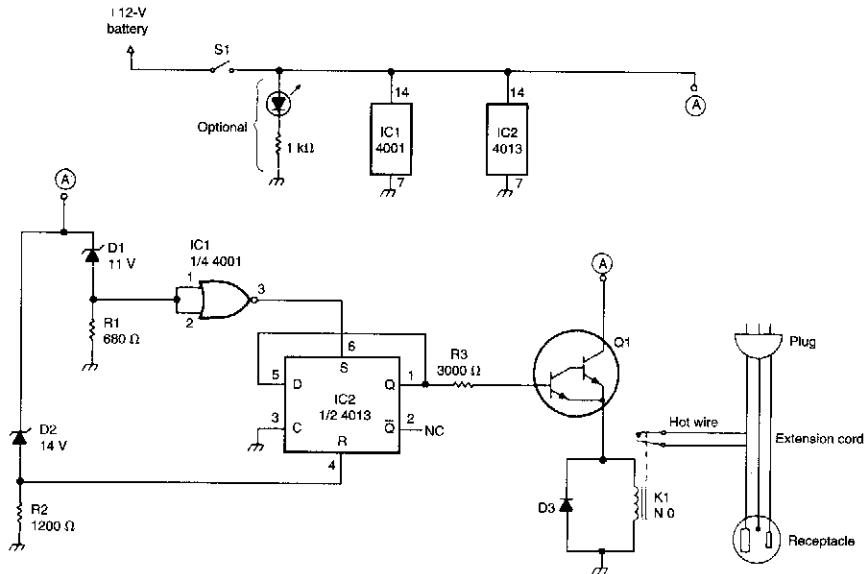


When supply voltage exceeds a preset level, the 555 oscillates, and flashes LED1. The flash rate is controlled by varying C3.

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FIG. 10-3

## BATTERY WATCHDOG

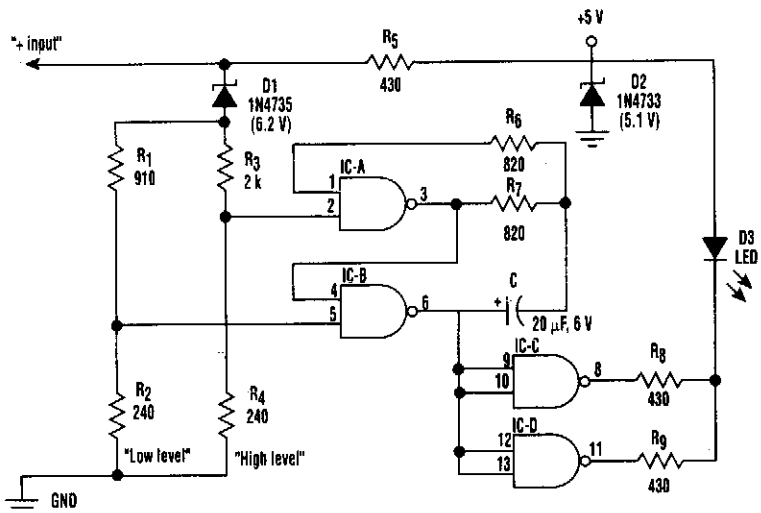


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FIG. 10-4

This circuit uses a pair of Zener diodes to monitor battery voltage of a 12-V battery. If below 11 V, D1 ceases to conduct, pin 3 of IC2 goes high, setting FF IC2 turning on Q1, K1, and the battery charger. At excess of 14-V-battery voltage (full charge), D2 conducts, resetting FF IC2, and cutting off the battery charger.

## BATTERY TEST CIRCUIT

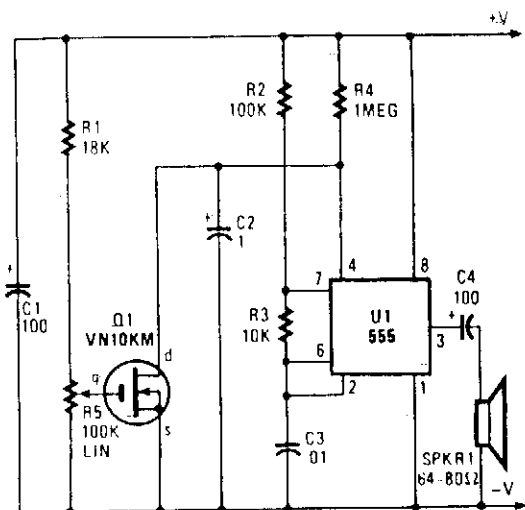


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FIG. 10-5

Using this circuit, three levels of voltage can be displayed—normal (11 to 15 V), high (>15 V), and low (<11 V). When the voltage is low, the LED glows steadily. In the normal range, the LED is off. When the voltage is high, the LED blinks at a 1-Hz rate. This circuit is useful for assuring proper electrical system operation.

## BATTERY VOLTAGE MONITOR

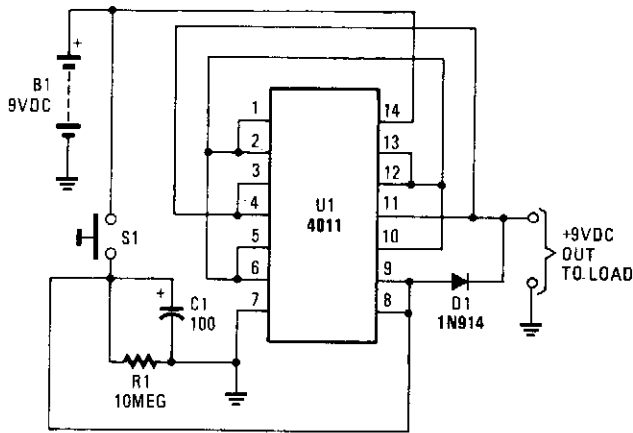


When battery voltage goes low, pin 4 of U1 goes high as Q1 fails to conduct. This activates oscillator U1 and generates audio tone. R5 sets level at which the circuit activates.

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FIG. 10-6

## BATTERY SAVER CIRCUIT



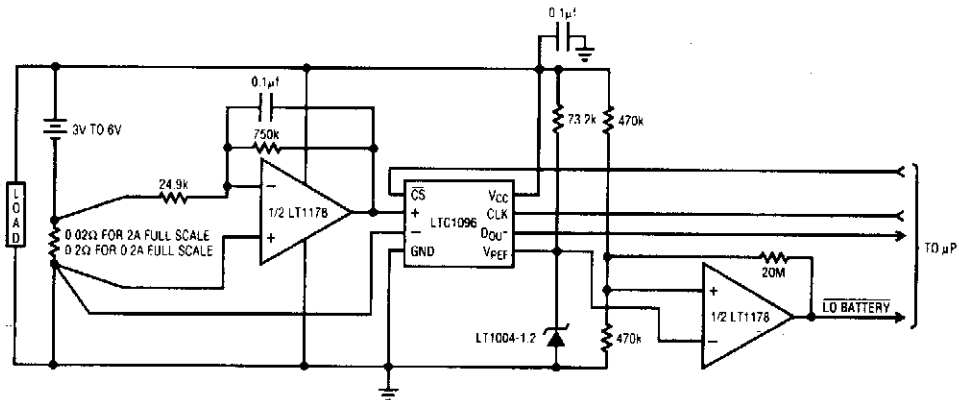
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FIG. 10-7

This battery saver circuit can automatically turn off a small piece of test equipment after a desired period of time, allowing you to leave your shop worry free.

This circuit uses a CD4011 IC to act as a simple timer. One section acts as an RC discharge timer (pin 7). This causes its output to go low, holding the three other outputs high acting as a 9-V source. After C1/R1 discharges approximately 10 minutes, the output drops to zero. S1 resets the circuit.

## 0-2-A BATTERY CURRENT MONITOR WITH DIGITAL OUTPUT

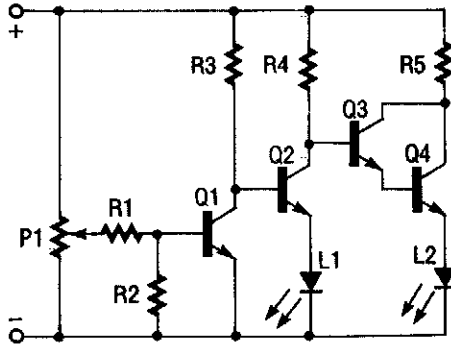


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 10-8

IC devices by Linear Technology make up this current monitor circuit. Drain is only 70µA from a 3- to 6-V battery.

## CAR BATTERY AND ALTERNATOR MONITOR



|        |                                 |
|--------|---------------------------------|
| L1     | Red LED                         |
| L2     | Green LED                       |
| P1     | 2.5-k $\Omega$ trimmer resistor |
| Q1-Q4  | 2N3904 transistor               |
| R1     | 100-k $\Omega$ resistor         |
| R2, R3 | 33-k $\Omega$ resistor          |
| R4, R5 | 470- $\Omega$ resistor          |
| Misc.  | PC board, wire                  |

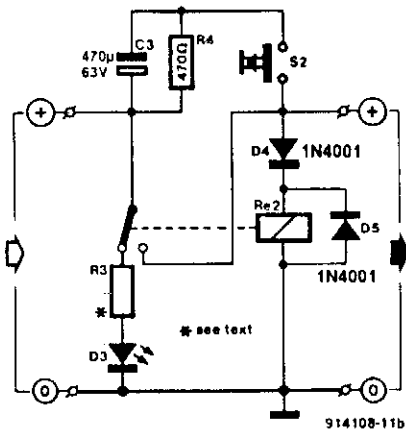
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FIG. 10-9

The monitor is a simple voltage comparator in which a car battery serves as the battery for operation. The input voltage to the comparator is set by adjustment potentiometer P1, which must be adjusted so that the green LED L2 is on when the alternator is operating properly and red LED L1 is on when the alternator is inoperative.

The circuit operates as follows: When the alternator operates properly, the battery voltage is higher and P1 is set so that transistor Q1 causes Q2 to be off. That results in Q3 and Q4 being fully on, thus applying current to green LED L2. If the battery voltage is lowered (alternator inoperative), transistor Q1 is turned off. That allows transistor Q2 to turn fully on, applying current to red LED L1, indicating trouble. Once Q2 is on, it causes Q3 and Q4 to go out of conduction.

## RELAY FUSE FOR BATTERY CHARGES



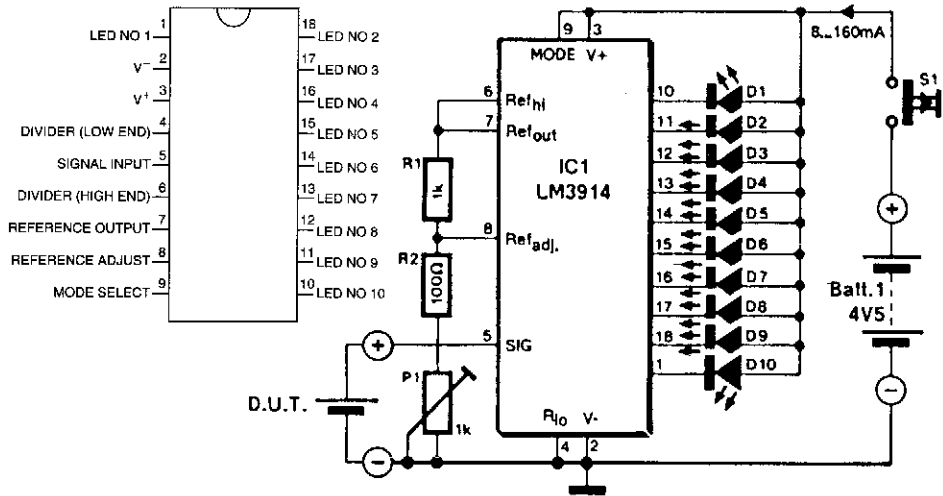
Charged capacitor C3 and momentary push-button switch S2 are used to momentarily energize relay RE2. The battery under charge energizes the relay to hold it closed. S2 will energize the relay even if the battery is too far discharged initially to energize it.

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FIG. 10-10



## BARGRAPH LED BATTERY TESTER



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FIG. 10-11

The LM3914A bargraph LED is used here as a voltmeter for battery testing. The circuit is powered by a 4.5-V battery and compares the battery under test with an internally derived reference, set by R1/R2/P1. Each LED of the 10 represent 10% of full scale. For best results, the battery (D.U.T.) should be loaded with an appropriate resistor.

# 11

## Buffer Circuits

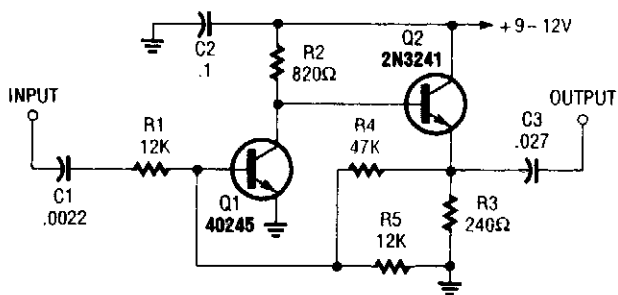
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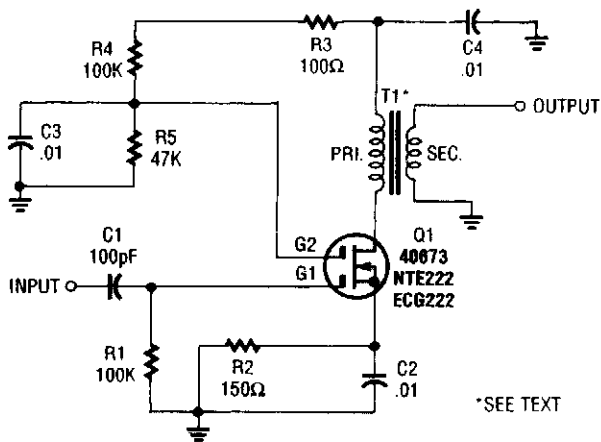
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Buffer/Amplifiers  
High Current Buffer  
VFO Buffer Amplifier  
MOSFET Buffer Amplifier  
3-V Rail-to-Rail Single-Supply Buffer  
Simple Video Buffer  
Low-Offset Simple Video Buffer

## BUFFER/AMPLIFIERS



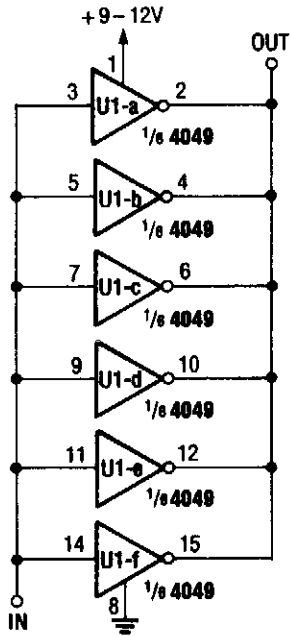
A



B

These two buffer/amplifiers that have been successfully used with VFOs: one (shown in A) is based on a pair of bipolar npn transistors, and the other (shown in B) is built around a dual-gate MOSFET.

## HIGH CURRENT BUFFER

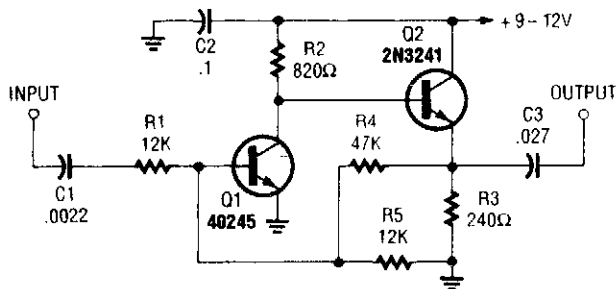


By parallel connecting all six gates of this 4049 hex inverting buffer, you can obtain a much higher output current than would otherwise be available.

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FIG. 11-2

## VFO BUFFER AMPLIFIER

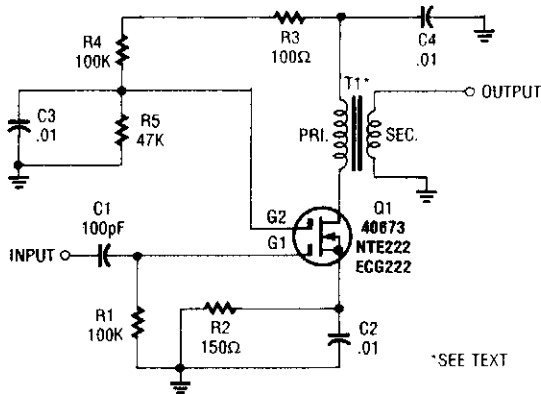


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FIG. 11-3

A two-transistor feedback pair provides broadband operation. The gain is approximately  $R_4/R_1$ .

### MOSFET BUFFER AMPLIFIER

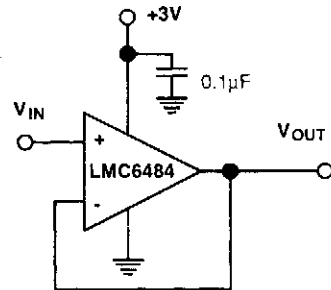


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FIG. 11-4

A MOSFET is used as a wideband buffer amplifier. T1 is wound on a toroid of approximately 1/2" diameter, with material suitable for frequency (usually 1- to 20-MHz range). The turns ratio should be about 4:1 depending on load impedance. Typically, at 4 MHz, there are 18 turns on the primary, 4 turns on the secondary, and the stage gain is about 14-dB voltage ( $Z_L = 50 \Omega$ ).

### 3-V RAIL-TO-RAIL SINGLE-SUPPLY BUFFER

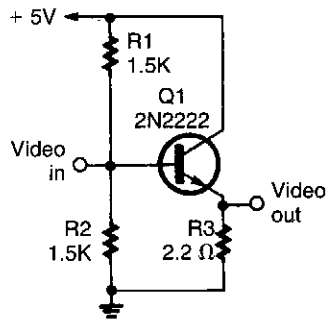


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FIG. 11-5

The LMC6484 provides a 3-V p-p rail-to-rail buffer with a +3-V supply commonly used for logic systems.

### SIMPLE VIDEO BUFFER

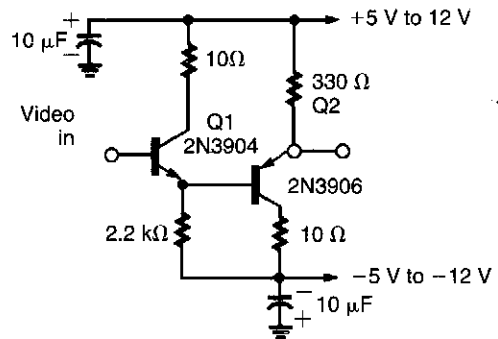


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FIG. 11-6

This simple emitter follower can be used as a video buffer.

### LOW-OFFSET SIMPLE VIDEO BUFFER



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FIG. 11-7

This circuit has proved to be an effective video buffer and will easily drive a 75- $\Omega$  load to 1.5-V p-p output. BW is better than 20 MHz and there is less than 0.05-V dc offset, which is the difference in  $V_{BE}$  of Q1 and Q2. The supply lines should be well bypassed,  $\pm 5$  V or more.

# 12

## Carrier-Current Circuits

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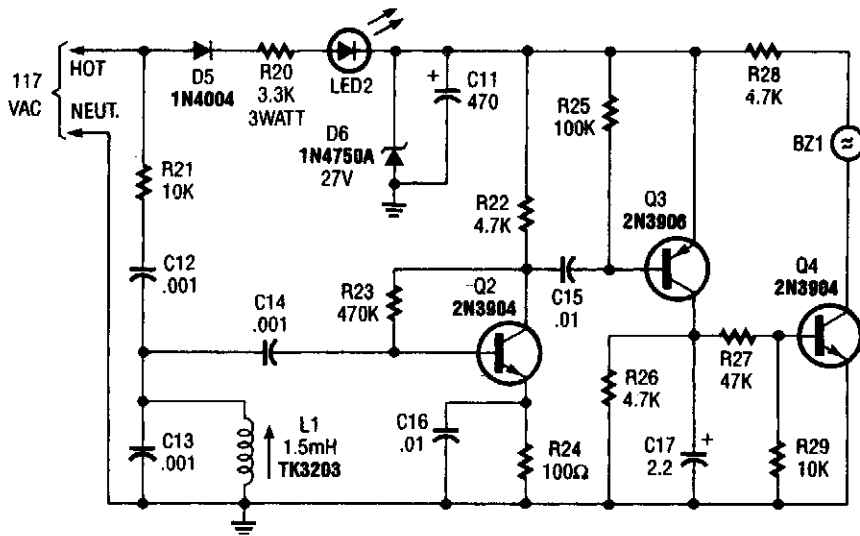
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Carrier-Current Baby-Alert Transmitter  
Carrier-Current Baby-Alert Receiver



## CARRIER-CURRENT BABY-ALERT RECEIVER



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FIG. 12-2

The baby-alert receiver is comprised of three transistors: Q2, which is configured as a high-gain linear amplifier; Q3, which serves as both an amplifier and detector; and Q4, which is essentially used as a switch; and a few additional components. It sounds an alarm BZ1 on receipt of a 125-kHz signal from an alarm transmitter via the 120-V power lines.



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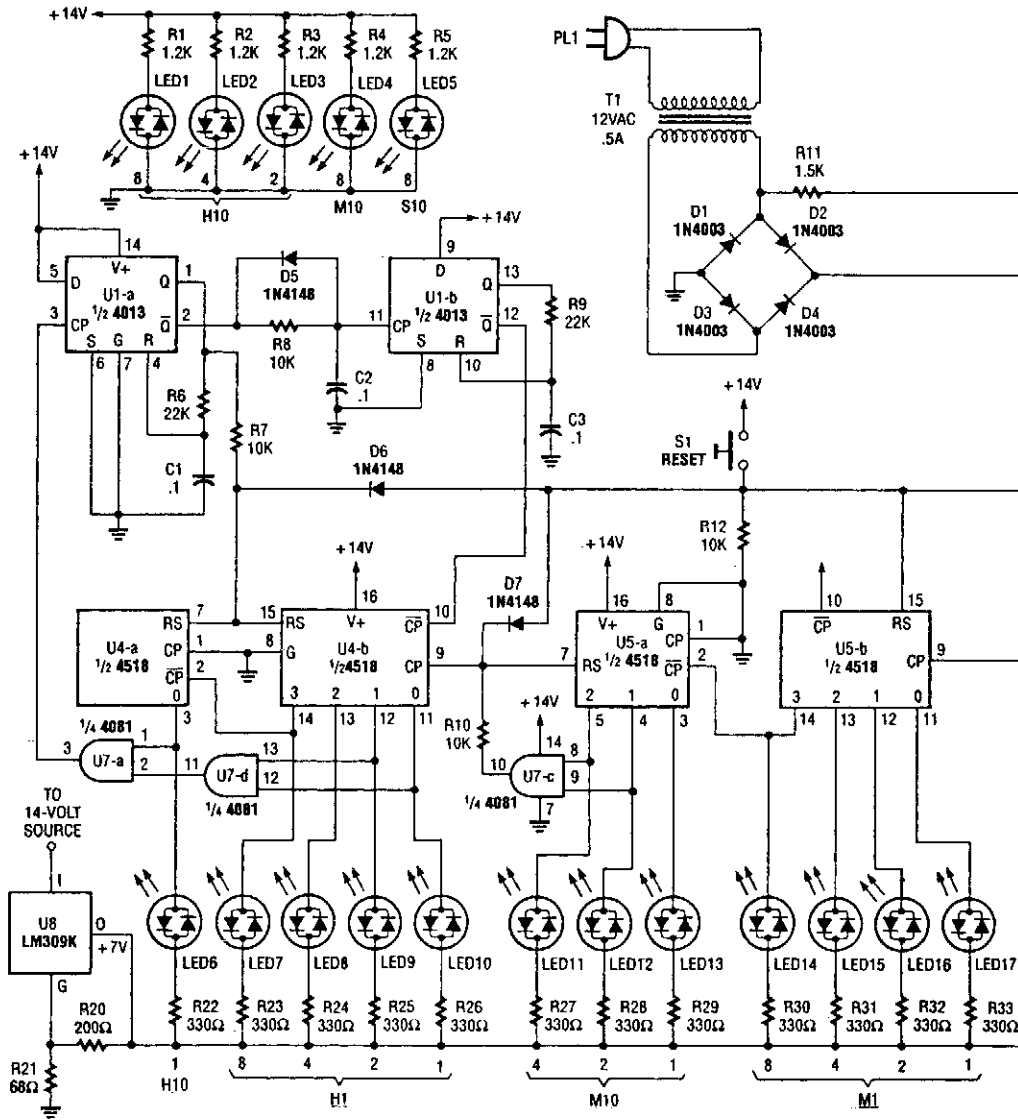
## Clock Circuit

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Binary Clock

## BINARY CLOCK



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This circuit is an unusual clock in that the LEDs are bi-color red/green displays that indicate the time in binary coded decimal form.

- LEDs 21 through 24 read out seconds
- LEDs 5, 18, 19, and 20 read out 105 seconds
- LEDs 14 through 17 read out in minutes

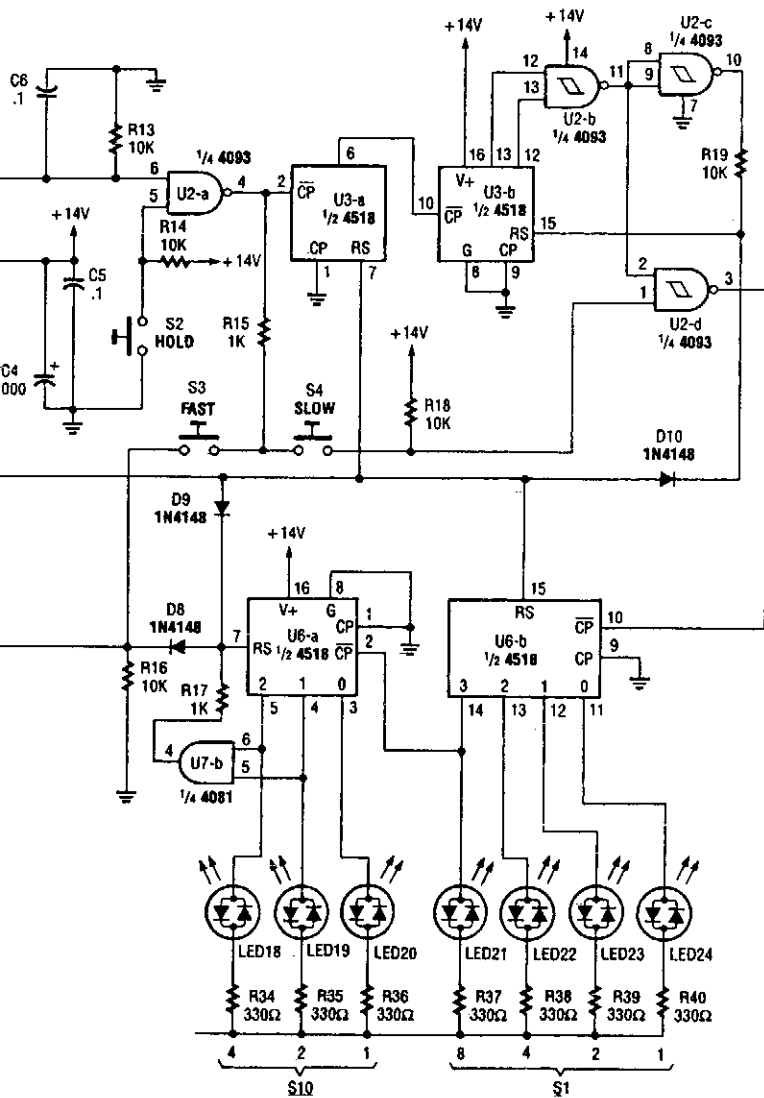


FIG. 13-1

LEDs 4, 11, 12, and 13 read out in 105 minutes  
 LEDs 7 through 10 read out the hours  
 LEDs 1, 2, 3, and 6 read out tens of hours  
 The 60-Hz line is used as a timebase.

# 14

## Code Practice Circuits

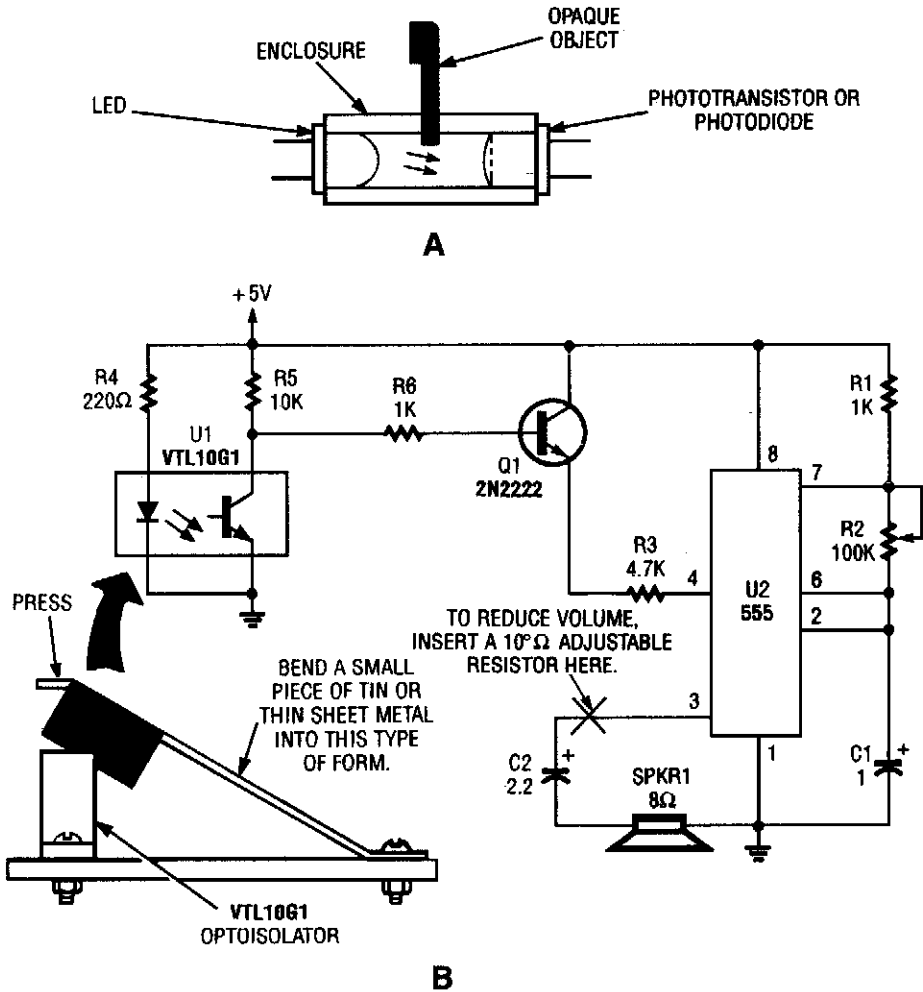
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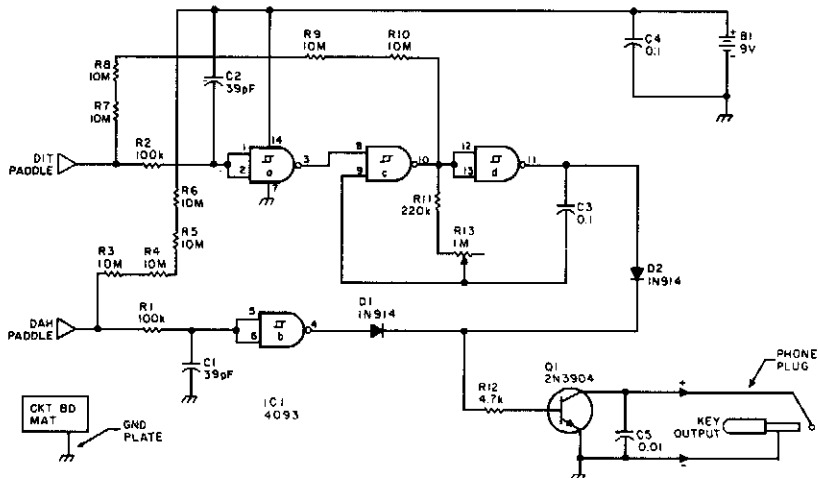
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Electronic CW "Bug" Keyer  
QRP Sidetone Generator/Code Practice Oscillator  
Morse Practice Oscillator  
Code Practice Oscillator  
Variable Frequency Code Practice Oscillator  
Single-Transistor Code Practice Oscillator

## CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR USES OPTOISOLATOR



A slotted-pair isolator (A) is effectively an enclosed-pair isolator with a slit that will allow an obstacle to interrupt the light path. That could be useful for building a code key (B).

## ELECTRONIC CW "BUG" KEYS

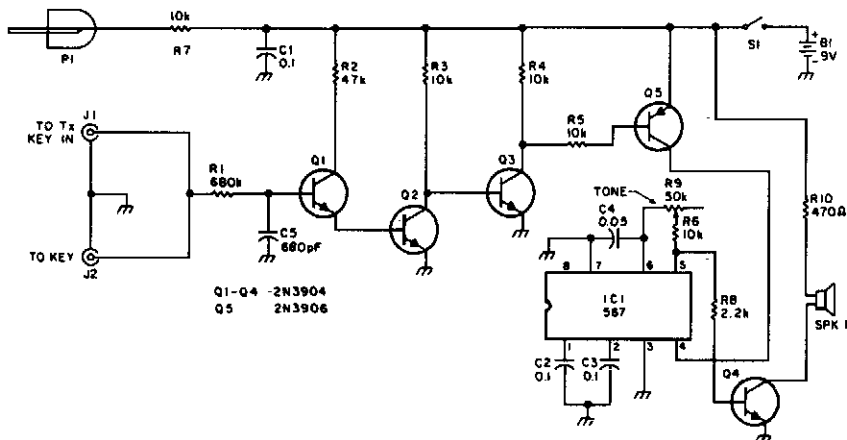


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FIG. 14-2

This keyer uses skin conductivity to simulate the old-fashioned mechanical CW bug keyer. When the "dit" paddle is touched the bias on the inverter, IC1-a is shunted to ground, and it produces a logic high, causing oscillator sections C&D to generate a low-frequency square wave keying Q1 for a series of "dits." When the "dah" paddle is touched, section b produces a logic high, driving keyer Q1 on.

## QRP SIDETONE GENERATOR/CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

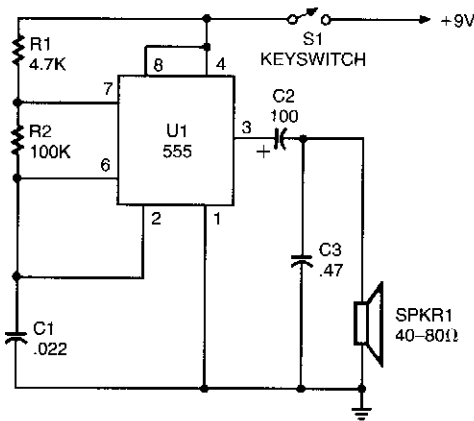


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FIG. 14-3

For use with low-power transmitters with a positive keying voltage. Q1/Q2/Q3 form a switching amplifier. When the key is pressed, the collector of Q3 goes to ground, turning on Q5 and activating IC1, an audio oscillator. Q4 drives the speaker. For use as a code practice oscillator, insert P1 and J1 and a key in J2.

### MORSE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

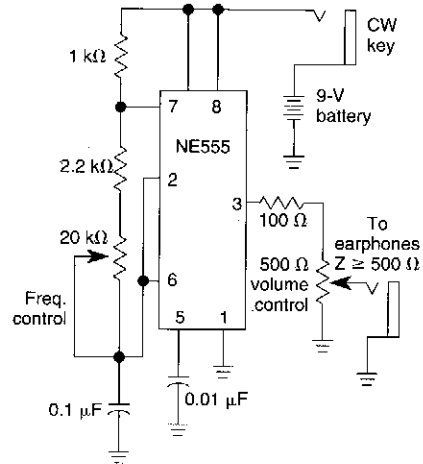


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FIG. 14-4

A 555 timer configured as an astable multivibrator is used in this circuit to generate an audio note. C1 can be changed to vary the audio note as desired.

### CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

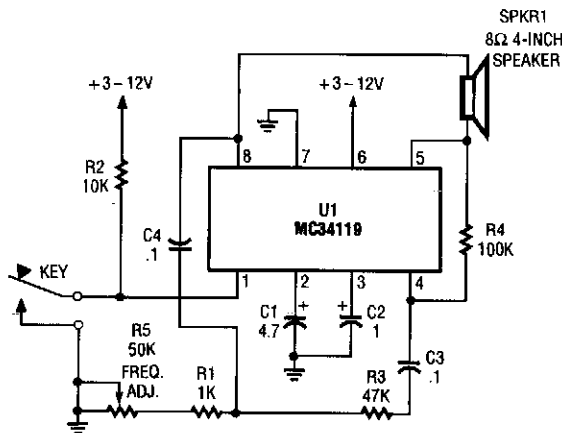


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FIG. 14-5

The tone and volume of the sound produced when the telegraph key is depressed can be varied in this code practice oscillator.

### VARIABLE FREQUENCY CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR

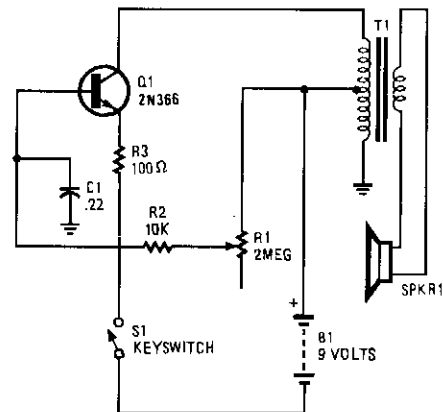


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FIG. 14-6

The variable frequency audio oscillator can be used as a low-level alarm sounder or a code-practice oscillator.

### SINGLE-TRANSISTOR CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 14-7

A 2N366 is configured as an audio feedback oscillator using an audio transformer is shown. Adjust R1 for proper operation and desired audio note.

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## Color Organ Circuit

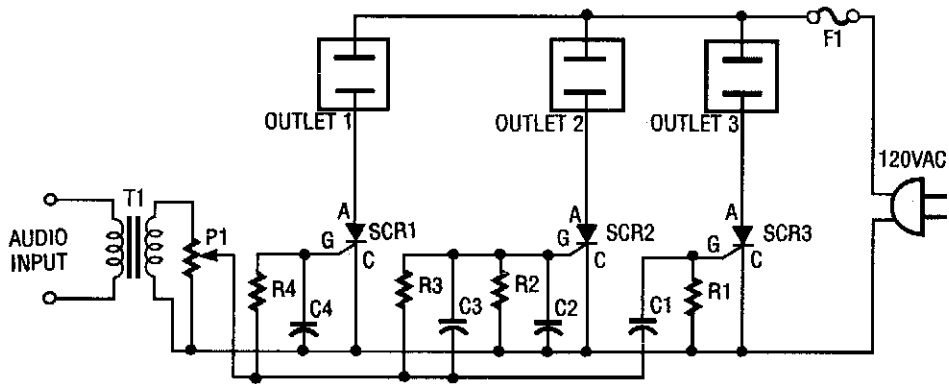
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3-Channel Color Organ



### 3-CHANNEL COLOR ORGAN



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FIG. 15-1

The ac line power is brought back into the circuit through F1, a protective 5-A fuse. One side of the ac line is connected to one side of each ac outlet. The other side of the ac line is connected to each SCR or silicon-controlled rectifier. Each SCR is, in turn, connected to the other side of each ac outlet.

An audio signal is brought into the circuit from a stereo speaker by transformer T1. This transformer has 500- $\Omega$  impedance on the primary and 8- $\Omega$  impedance on its secondary. Connect T1 so that the 8- $\Omega$  side is connected to the speaker and the 500- $\Omega$  side is connected to potentiometer P1.

Potentiometer P1 is used as a level or sensitivity control. The signal from its wiper lead is applied to each RC filter stage. Because each SCR has a different RC (resistor/capacitor) filter on its gate lead, each will respond to different frequencies. The greater the capacitance in the filter, the lower the frequency that the SCR will respond to.

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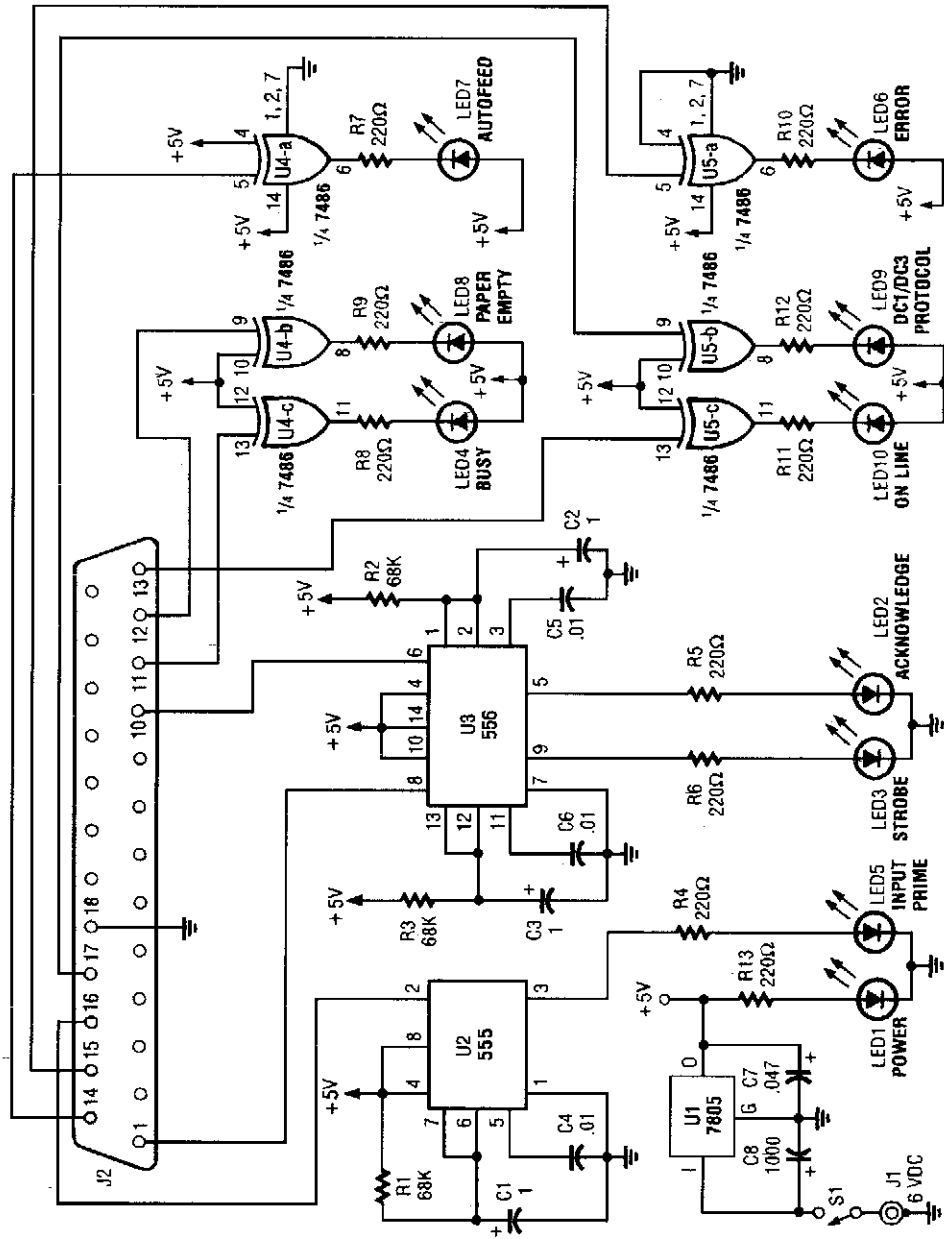
## Computer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Printer Sentry  
PC Password Protection  
Buffer I<sup>2</sup>C Data and Clock Lines

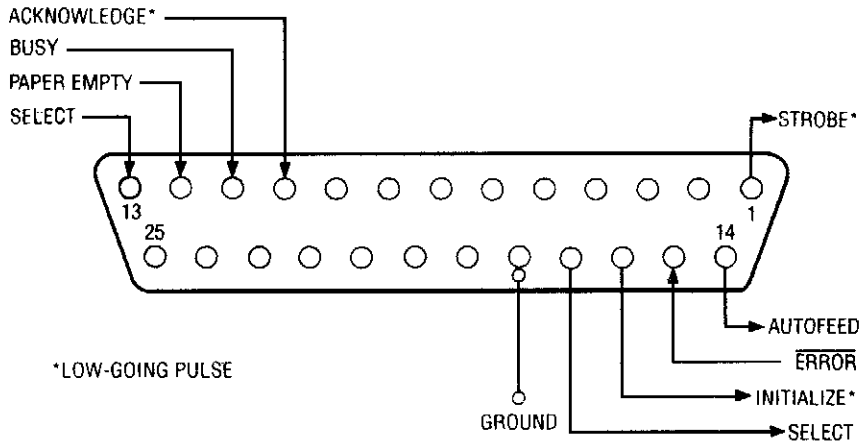
# PRINTER SENTRY



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FIG. 16-1

## PRINTER SENTRY (Cont.)

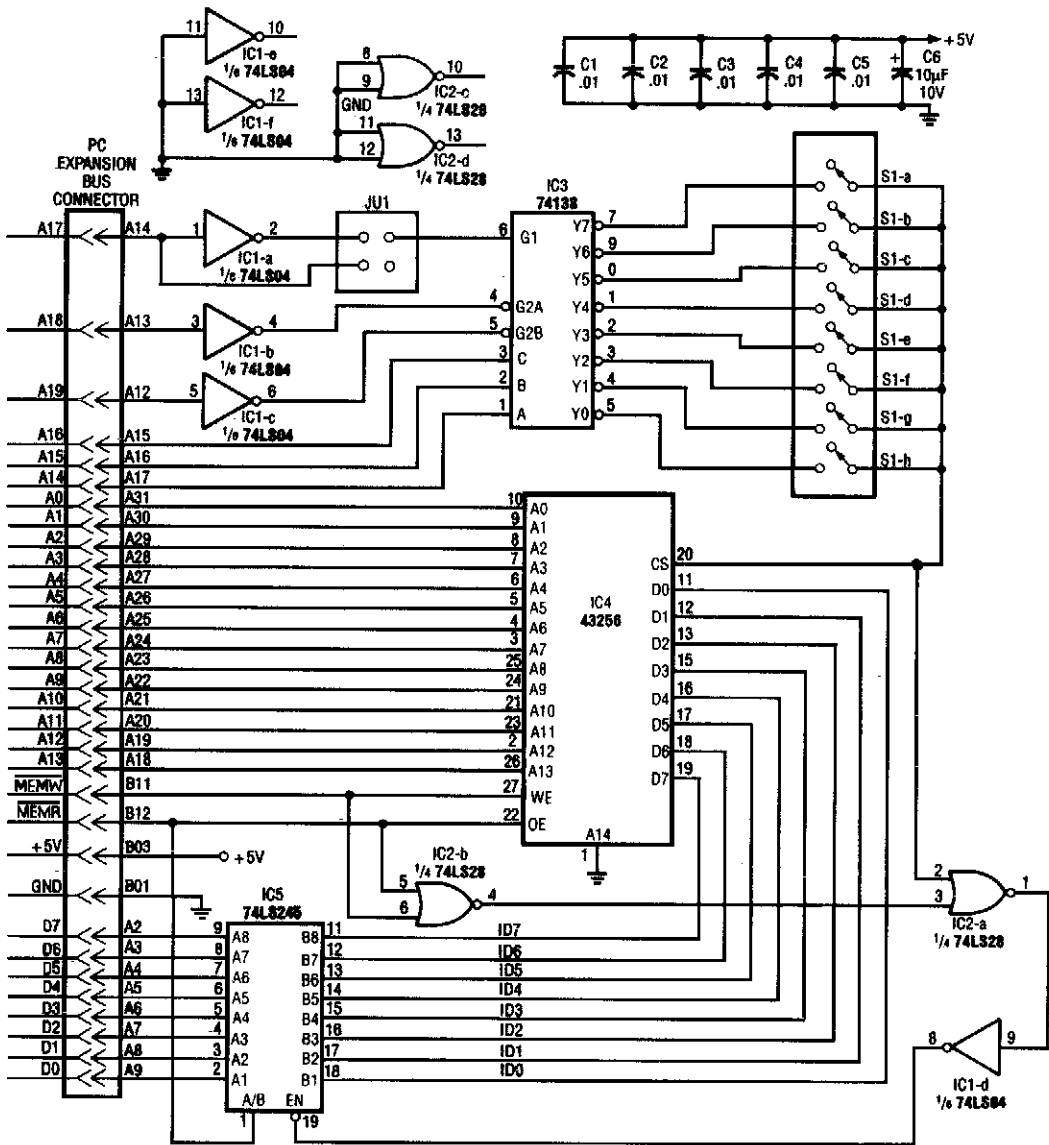


**TABLE 1—PIN CORRESPONDENCE**

| DB-25<br>Connector | Centronics-<br>Style<br>Connector |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1                  | 1                                 |
| 10                 | 10                                |
| 11                 | 11                                |
| 12                 | 12                                |
| 13                 | 13                                |
| 14                 | 14                                |
| 15                 | 32                                |
| 16                 | 31                                |
| 17                 | 36                                |
| 18                 | 19                                |

Handy for monitoring printers, this circuit displays all the signals on a parallel link. It monitors the status of the lines, enabling remote monitoring of the operation of a printer, and it also gives an indication of troubles (paper empty, busy, etc.).

## PC PASSWORD PROTECTION

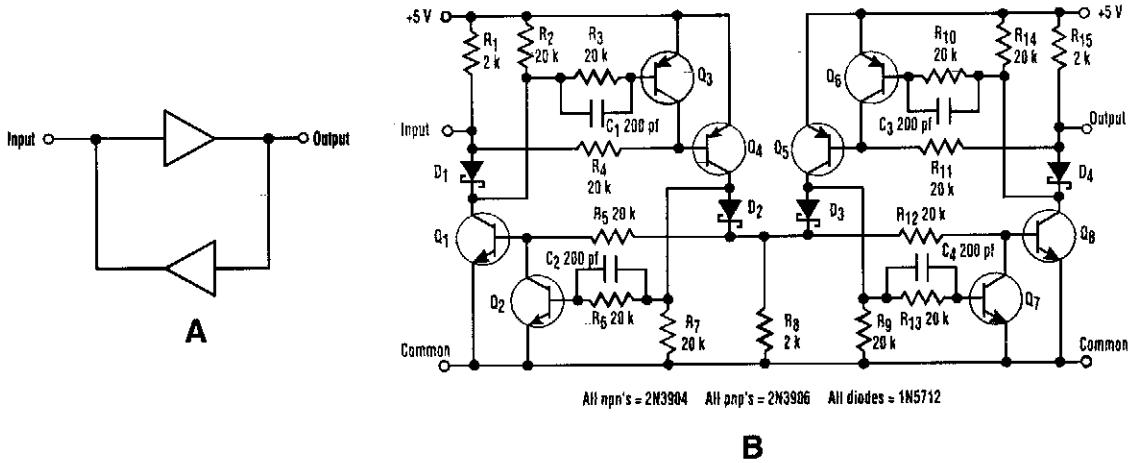


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FIG. 16-2

With this circuit, a PC will be protected, requiring a password to boot. After three times, the computer will have to have a cold reboot and the password tried again. Software for this system is available—consult the reference for further details.

## BUFFER I<sup>2</sup>C DATA AND CLOCK LINES



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FIG. 16-3

The I<sup>2</sup>C serial bus is a popular two-wire bus for small-area networks. I<sup>2</sup>C Clock and Data lines have open collector (or drain) outputs for each device on the network. Only a single pull-up resistor is needed. With this architecture, each device can “talk” on the network, rather than just “listen.” In some circumstances, it might be desirable to buffer these lines to expand the network, which can sometimes be a tricky task. The obvious approach (Fig. 1) won't work because it latches in either the higher or lower state. A circuit for a noninventory nonlatching buffer is also shown.

The circuit is symmetrical about its center so that the input and output can be swapped. Q1 and Q8 are the output open collector drivers. Q2, Q3, Q6, and Q7 provide the nonlatching functions. The capacitors prevent switching glitches by ensuring the inhibit transistors turn off before the output transistors do.

Operation can be best explained by example: if the input is high, Q4 turns off, and the voltage across R8 goes to zero. This turns off Q1 and Q8. The output then goes high, which is the circuit's normal resting place. If the input is pulled low, Q4 is turned on.

Diode D1 remains reverse-biased, preventing Q3 from turning off Q4. With Q4 on, current is supplied to both Q2 and Q1 to turn them on, but Q2 turns on first to keep Q1 off. This prevents the input from latching. Q4 also turns on Q8. D4 is now forward-biased, so Q6 turns on, and thus turns off Q5. With Q5 off, Q7 will not turn on. The output remains low. Even with both the input and the output externally driven low, the circuit will not latch. The circuit, using the values shown in Fig. 2, reached a clock rate of 80 kHz with a V<sub>OH</sub> of 5.0 V and a V<sub>OL</sub> of 0.5 V.

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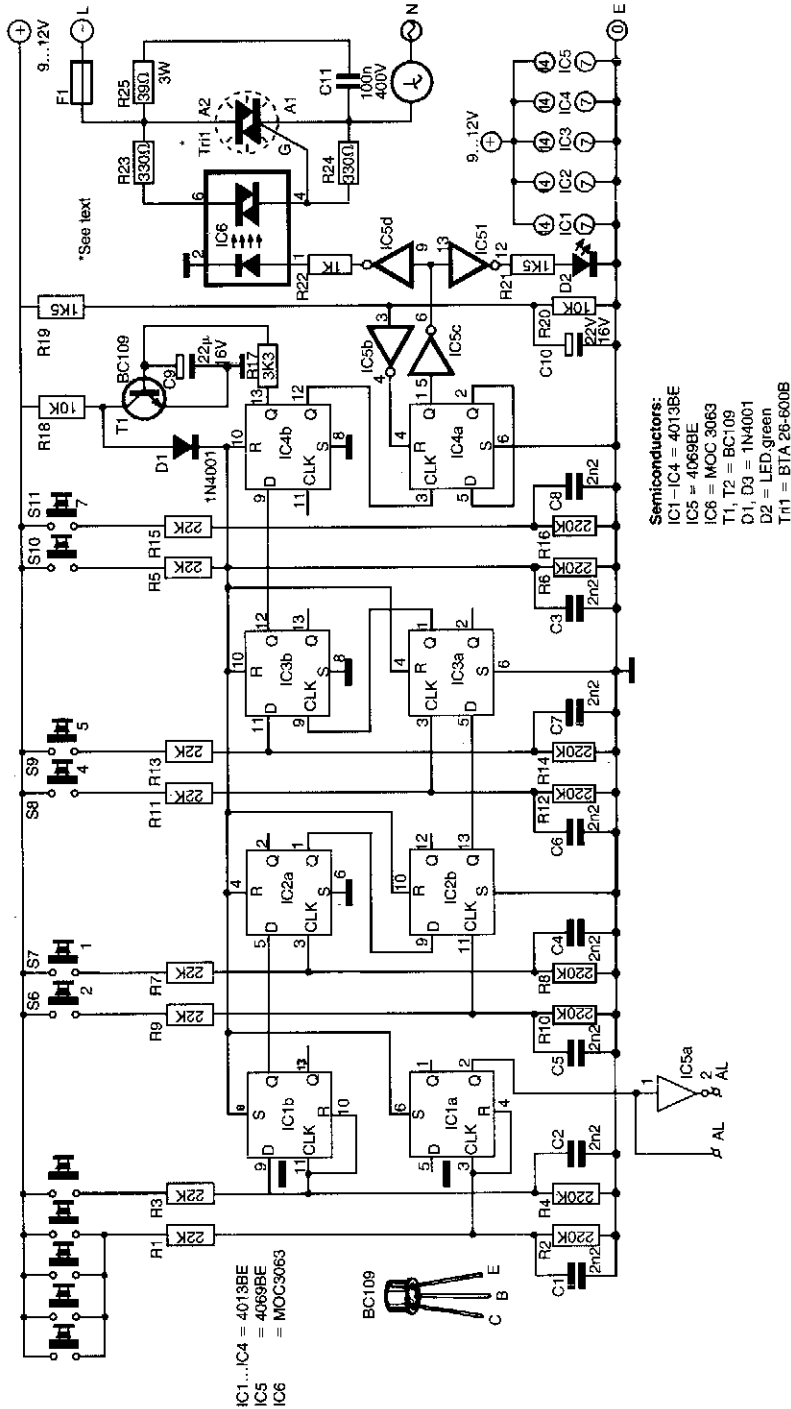
## Control Circuits

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6-Digit Coded ac Power Switch  
VCR TV On/Off Control  
Simple Power Down Circuit  
Simple ac Voltage Control  
Dual-Control Switch Uses ac Signals

### 6-DIGIT CODED ac POWER SWITCH



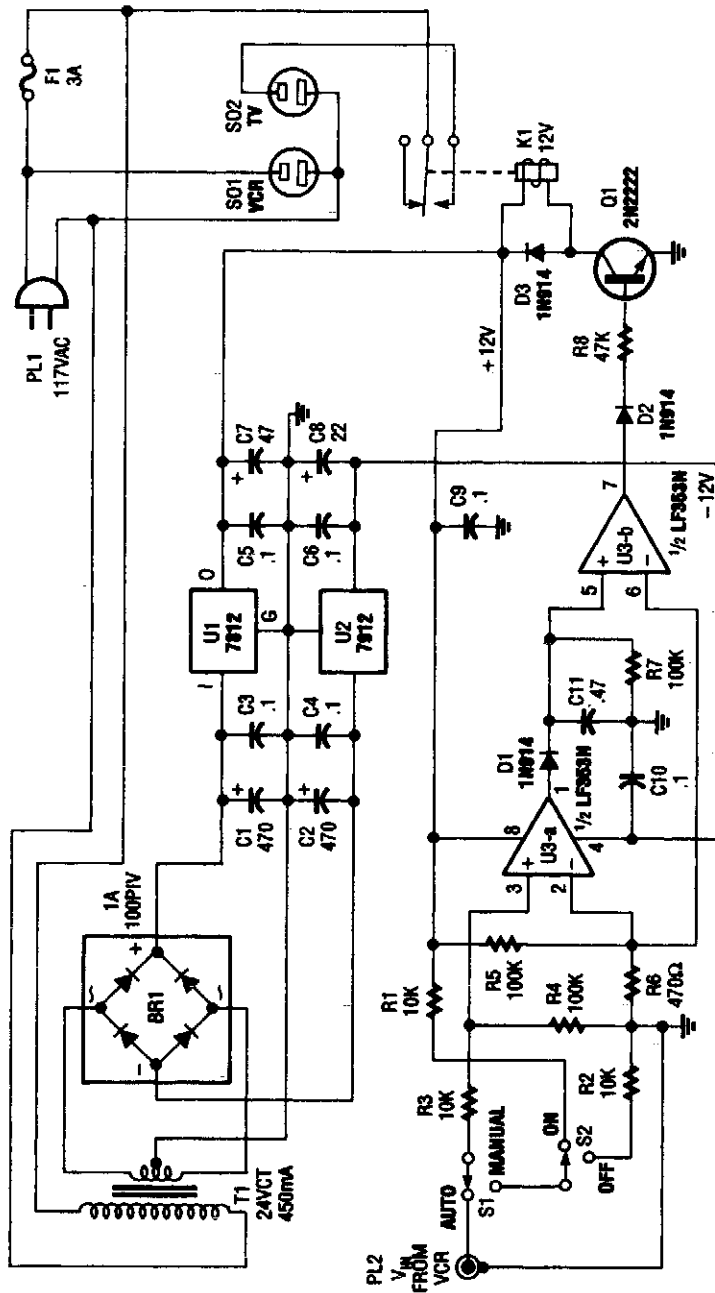
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FIG. 17-1

This switch uses four CD4013 BE dual flip-flops, an optoisolator to drive a triac. The circuit can switch 25-A ac load current. A standard 4 x 3 telephone keyboard is used to enter a 6-digit code. In case of a wrong code, a signal is available to activate an alarm. The disarming method is a secret reset button that can be any number on the keyboard.



### VCR TV ON/OFF CONTROL

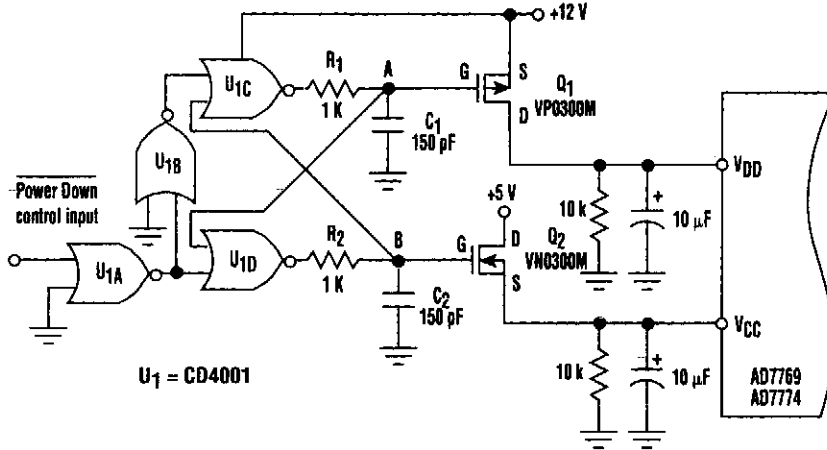


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FIG. 17-2

This circuit senses the video from the VCR. When the VCR is turned on, video signal is amplified by U3A and B to drive Q1, activating K1. In this manner, it is not necessary to turn on and off two video devices every time. In many cases, this avoids the use of a cable box, the cable-ready VCR performing this function.

## SIMPLE POWER DOWN CIRCUIT



**FIG. 17-3**

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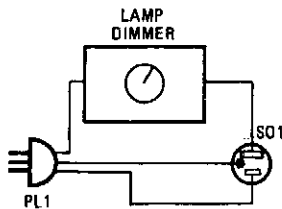
This circuit adds a power-down function to analog I/O ports (for example, the AD7769 and AD7774). Moreover, the diodes ordinarily needed to protect the devices against power-supply missequencing can be eliminated (see the figure).

In the circuit, MOSFETs Q1 and Q2 switch the +5- and +12-V supplies, respectively, in a sequence controlled by two cross-coupled CD4001 CMOS NOR gates (U1C and U1D). The sequence in which power is applied is important: The controlled circuits may be damaged anytime  $V_{CC}$  exceeds  $V_{DD} + 0.3$  V. Consequently, the NOR gates must be powered from a 12-V supply throughout the power-down sequence.

Bringing the power down control high (+5 V) applies power to the controlled circuit by turning on all MOSFETs. Specifically, raising the power-down brings the output of U1C low, causing capacitor C1 to discharge VOL exponentially with time constant  $R_1C_1$ . As the voltage on C1 falls, two events occur. First, it puts a negative gate-source voltage on P-channel Q1, turning it on.

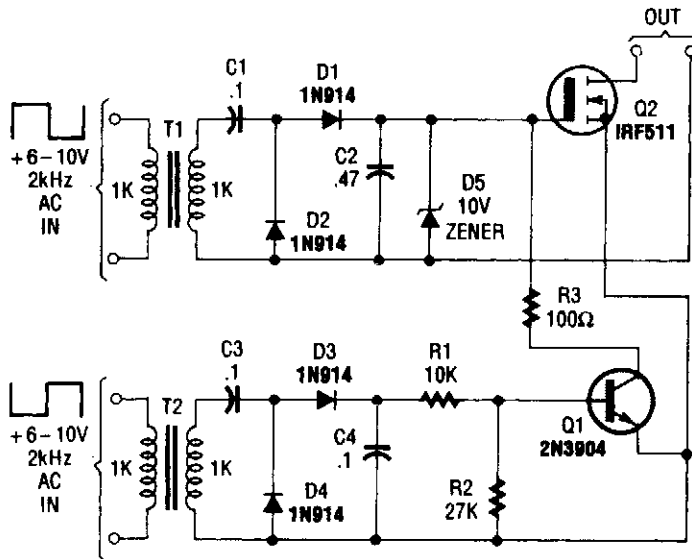
Second, it causes output gate U1D to go high. With the output of U1D high, capacitor C2 charges exponentially to VOH—about 12-V—applying a positive gate-source voltage to turn on Q2. In the power down mode, the Power Down control is brought low and the RC circuits and their delays work in reverse. Consequently, capacitor C2 discharges to the logic input of U1C before C1 can charge. Hence, Q2 turns off before Q1.

## SIMPLE ac VOLTAGE CONTROL



Lamp dimmers can be used for more than just controlling lights. Just provide one with an ac line cord and a socket, and discover just how useful they can be.

## DUAL-CONTROL SWITCH USES ac SIGNALS



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FIG. 17-5

The Dual-Control Switch uses two 6-10-Vac sources to trigger the circuit on and off; one source for each function.

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## Converter Circuits

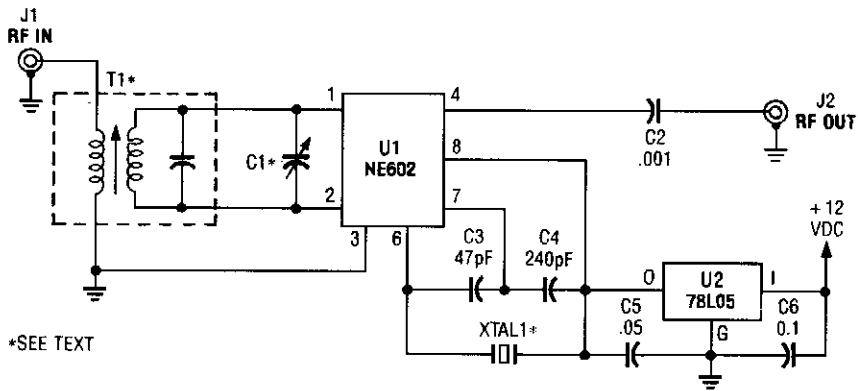
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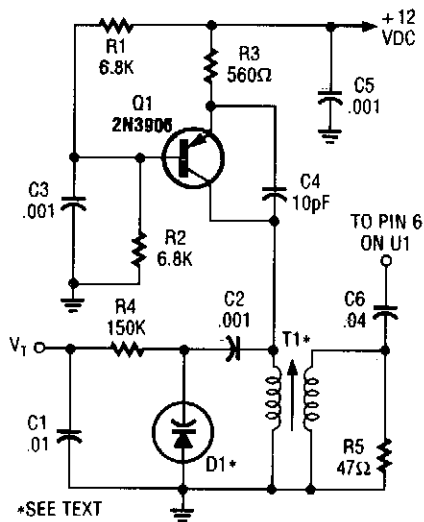
One-Chip Crystal-Controlled Converter  
High-Performance Shortwave Converter  
3-A dc-dc Converter Needs No Heatsink  
Simple WWV Converter for Auto Radios  
Digital-to-Analog Converter  
Temperature-to-Frequency Converter  
VLF Converter  
800- to 1000-MHz Scanner Converter  
Crystal-Controlled Frequency  
Converter Using MOSFET  
Temperature-to-Digital Converter

Simple 2-m-6-m Transverter  
Sine- to Square-Wave Converter  
439.25-MHz ATV Downconverter  
Sine-Wave-to-Square-Wave Converter  
ATV Downconverter  
28-Vdc to 5-Vdc Converter  
Current-to-Voltage Converter  
Temperature-Compensated One-Quadrant  
Logarithmic Converter  
dc/dc Converter Circuit with 3.3-V  
and 5-V Outputs

## ONE-CHIP CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED CONVERTER



A



B

This circuit can work over a wide range of frequencies. XTAL 1 is a fundamental-frequency crystal. T1 and C1 are tuned to the input frequency. An application of this circuit is a simple shortwave converter for AM radios, etc. A tuneable oscillator can also be used, as shown.

## HIGH-PERFORMANCE SHORTWAVE CONVERTER

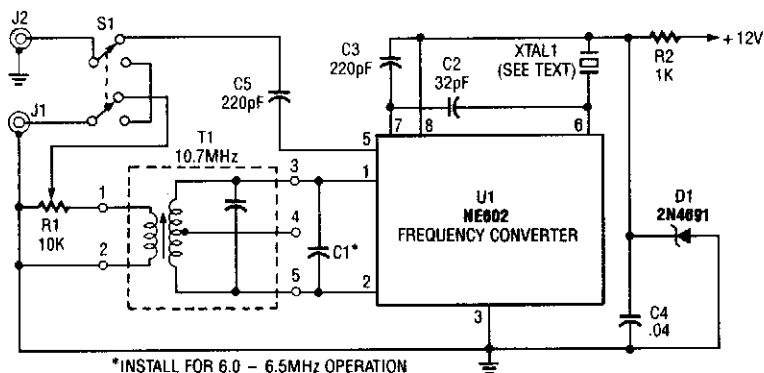


FIG. 18-2

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The NE602 chip, U1, contains oscillator and mixer stages. The mixer combines the oscillator signal with the input RF signal to produce signals whose frequencies are the sum and difference of the input frequencies. For example, an 8.5-MHz oscillator and a 10-MHz incoming signal will give output signals at 18.5 MHz ( $10 + 8.5$ ) and 1.5 MHz ( $10 - 8.5$ ). Recall that 1.5 MHz is 1500 kHz and an ordinary AM radio will tune to it.

The choice of crystal depends on what shortwave band you want to hear. The 9.5- to 10-MHz band is less crowded and includes the time-signal station WWV. For that band, you'll need a crystal of 8.5 to 8.9 MHz. There is no standard microprocessor crystal in that range, but you can use an amateur radio crystal, have a crystal custom-made, or use a CB crystal.

Transformer T1 rejects signals that are outside the band you are interested in. Transformer T1 should pass signals from 9 to 11 MHz and attenuate all others.

The transformer, T1, used in the circuit is a 10.7-MHz IF transformer salvaged from an FM radio. They are fairly easy to obtain new from parts stores and mail-order houses. Most 10.7-MHz IF transformers will tune across the 9.5- to 10-MHz band without modification; all you need to do is turn its tuning slug. To receive the 6.0- to 6.5-MHz shortwave band, you'll have to add a 150-pF capacitor.

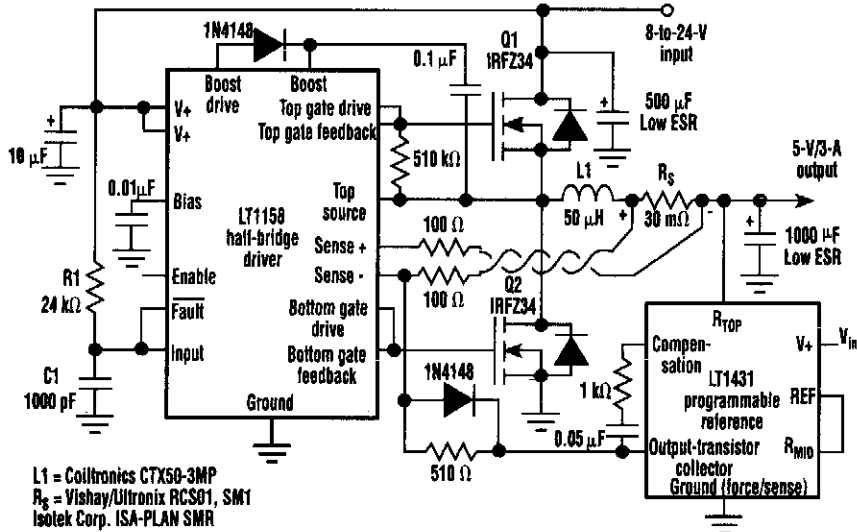
### Capacitors

- C1 150-pF, ceramic disc (see text)
- C2 32-pF, ceramic disc
- C3, C5 220-pF, ceramic disc
- C4 0.04 or 0.05- $\mu$ F, ceramic disc

### Additional Parts and Materials

- U1 NE602N frequency-converter integrated circuit
- D1 6.2-V, 0.4 or 1-W Zener diode
- R1 10,000- $\Omega$  panel-mount potentiometer
- R2 1000- $\Omega$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -W, 5% resistor
- J1, J2 RCA phono jack
- S1 DPDT, toggle switch, panel mount
- T1 10.7-MHz IF transformer (green color coded)
- XTAL 1 8.5-MHz crystal or CB channel-5 receiving crystal (see text)
- XTAL 2 5.0-MHz microprocessor crystal for 6-MHz band

### 3-A dc-dc CONVERTER NEEDS NO HEATSINK

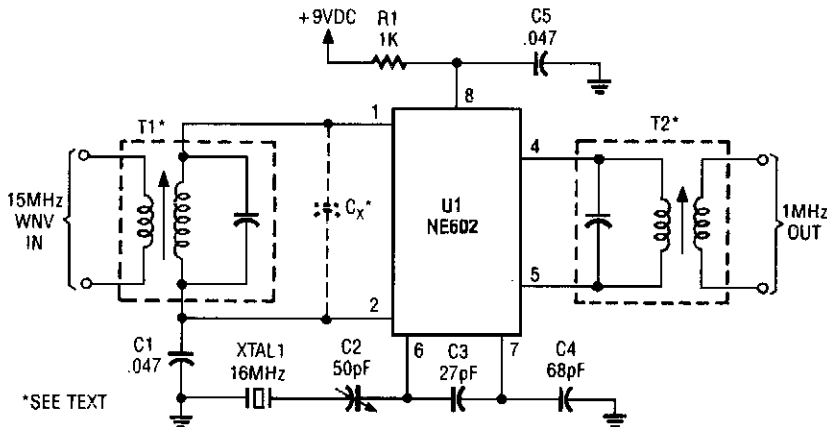


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FIG. 18-3

This regulator delivers 90% efficiency at 12-V input, 5-V output. It uses an LT1158 and LT1431 by Linear Technology, Inc. High efficiency is obtained by synchronously switching two power MOSFETs in a step-down switching regulator. The LT1431 voltage reference combines with the LT1158 half-bridge driver to form a constant off-time current mode loop.

### SIMPLE WWV CONVERTER FOR AUTO RADIOS

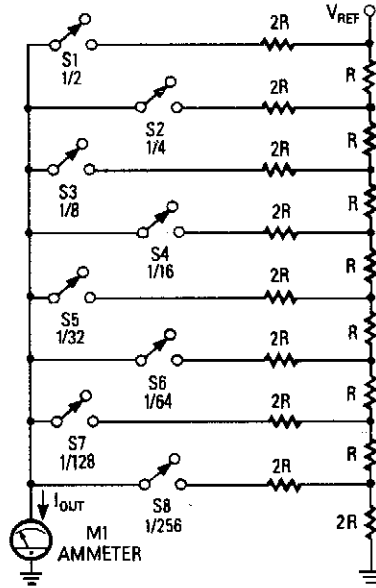


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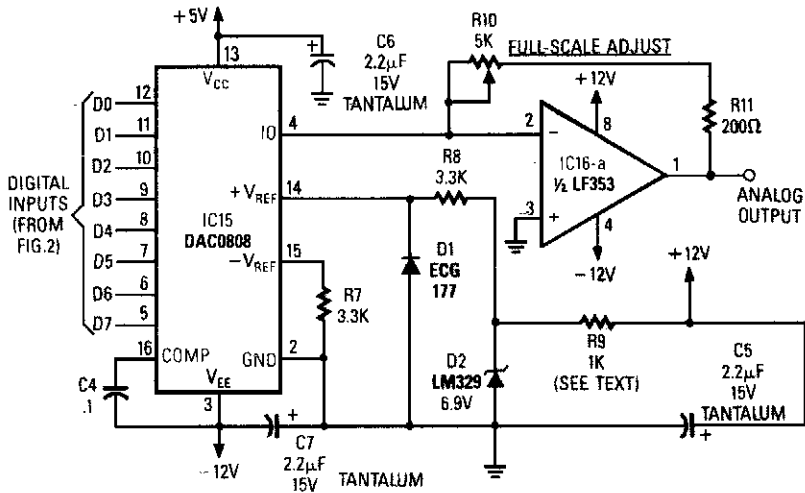
FIG. 18-4

This simple frequency converter mixes the 15-MHz WWV/WWH signal with a 16-MHz signal from the LO to convert it down to 1 MHz so that it can be heard on AM-band receiver.

## DIGITAL-TO-ANALOG CONVERTER



**A**

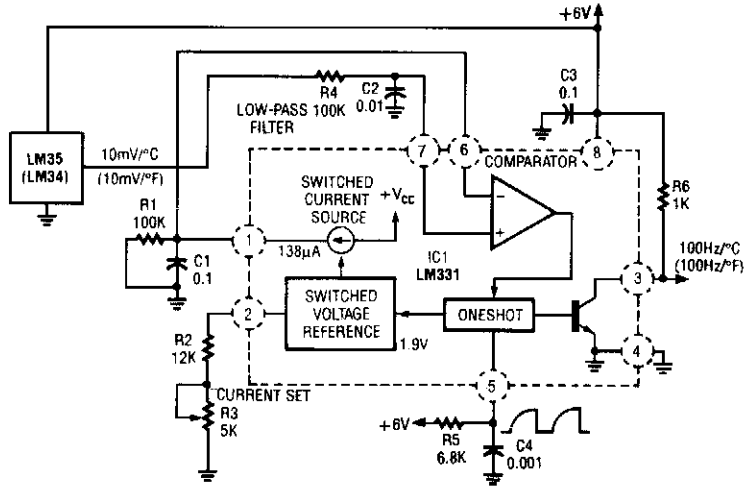


**B**

Figure A is an  $R/2R$  resistor ladder. Each switch that is closed increases the amount of current at  $I_{out}$ . A simple channel A/D converter is shown in Fig. B. The voltage reference (D2) is common to all channels, but the value of the dropping resistor (R9) varies as the number of DACs installed in the system. IC15 is a DAC0808 A/D converter chip. IC16A is an op amp to interface the output current from the D/A convert to an analog voltage output.



## TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

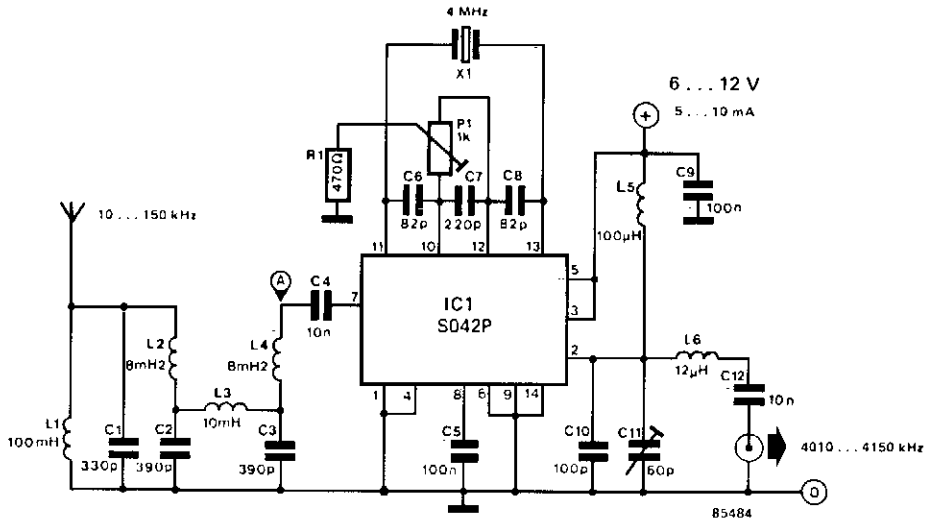


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FIG. 18-6

In this circuit an LM34 or LM35 produces a frequency proportional to temperature. Reference current ( $138\ \mu\text{A}$ ) is set via R3. The output can be used to drive a display, frequency counter, or other indicating device for temperature readout.

## VLF CONVERTER

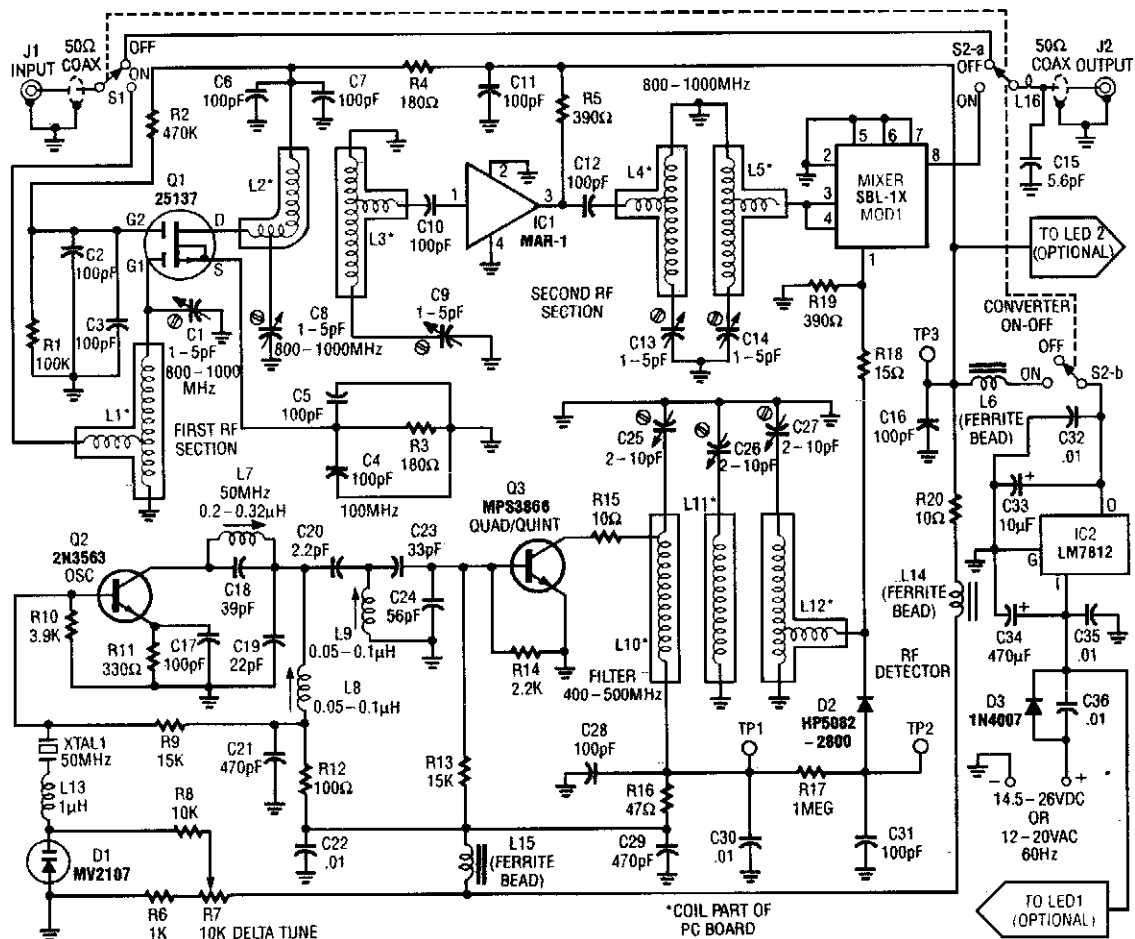


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FIG. 18-7

This converter converts 10 kHz to 150 kHz to 4.01 to 4.15 MHz for use with a shortwave receiver for VLF reception. A 4-MHz L.O. frequency is used. X1 can be a microprocessor XTAL or another suitable type. The antenna should be as long as possible.

## 800- TO 1000-MHz SCANNER CONVERTER



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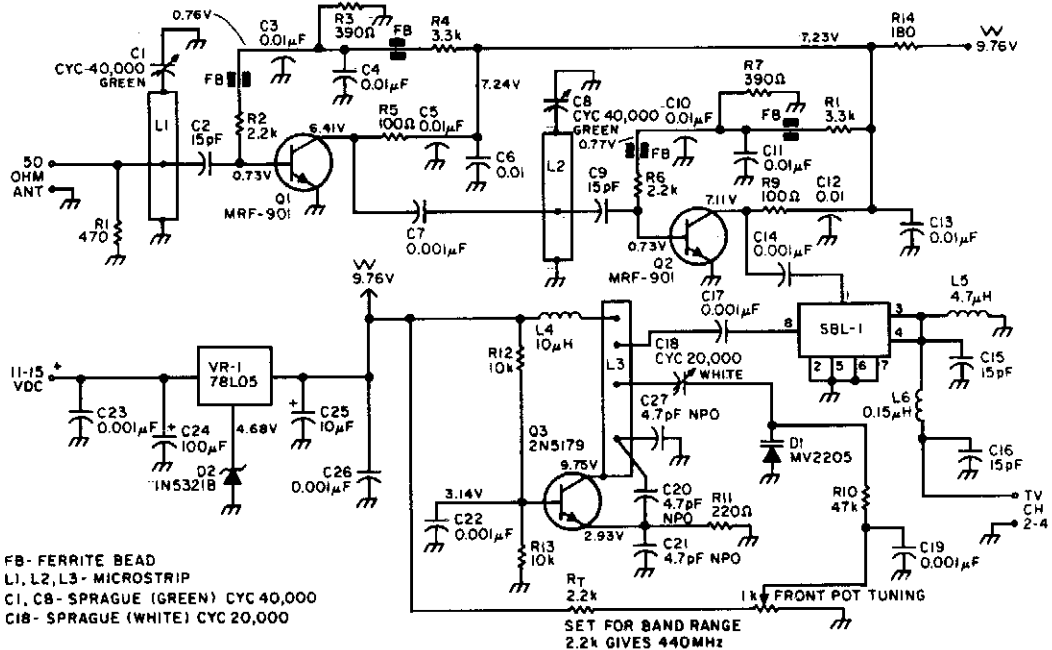
FIG. 18-8

This converter enables reception of 800 to 1000 MHz on any scanner covering the 400 to 500-MHz range. The converter can be set up to cover either 800 to 900 MHz or by readjustment 900 to 1000 MHz. Sensitivity is very high because of the GASFET front end. For best results, the scanner should be of a programmable variety. A complete kit is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, NY 10804.





## 439.25-MHz ATV DOWNCONVERTER

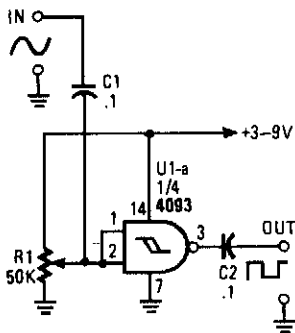


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FIG. 18-13

Most ATV (Amateur Television) transmitters transmit a DSB signal and commercial television stations use a VSB (Vestigial Sideband) signal. This fact is made use of in this converter to use the lower sideband. This results in less interference from repeaters that occupy the 440- to 445-MHz portion of the band. However, this approach might suffer from VHF image responses from channel 29, if that channel is active in your area.

## SINE-WAVE-TO-SQUARE-WAVE CONVERTER



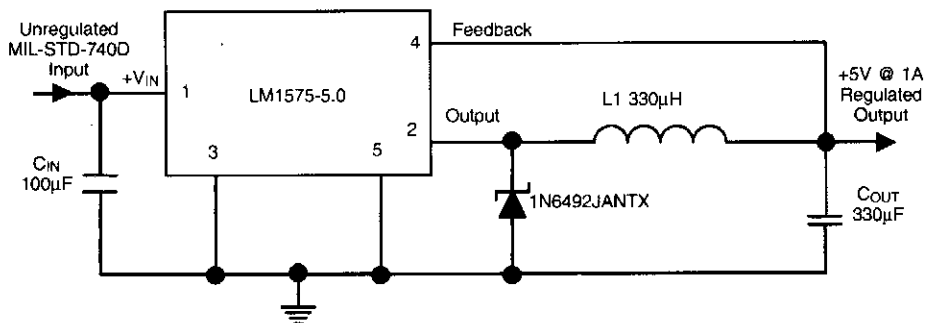
This circuit turns a sine wave into a square wave. It is comprised of a single 2-input NAND Schmitt trigger that's configured as an inverter with a trigger level adjustment at its input. As the input voltage rises above the gate's trigger point, the output snaps to its alternate state, producing a square-wave output.

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FIG. 18-14



## 28-Vdc TO 5-Vdc CONVERTER

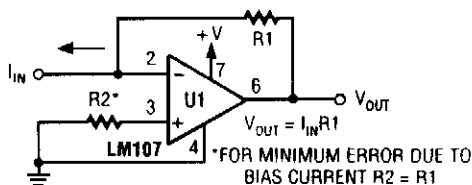


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FIG. 18-16

The National Semiconductor LM1575-5.0 allows a very simple switching regulator, with >80% efficiency, operating as a 5-V source @ 1A from a +28-V bus.

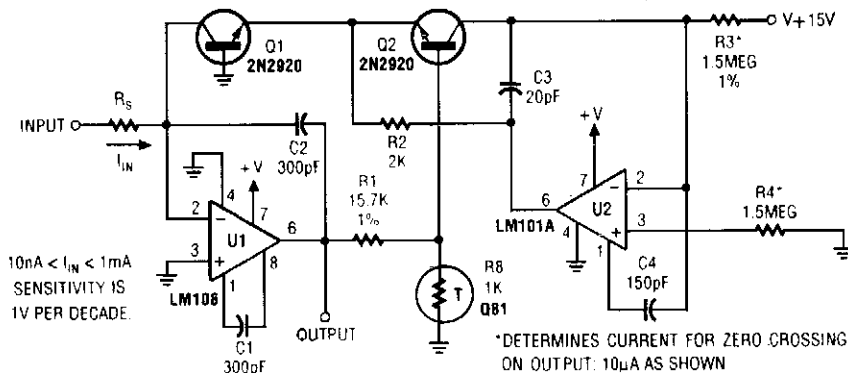
## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



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FIG. 18-17

## TEMPERATURE-COMPENSATED ONE-QUADRANT LOGARITHMIC CONVERTER

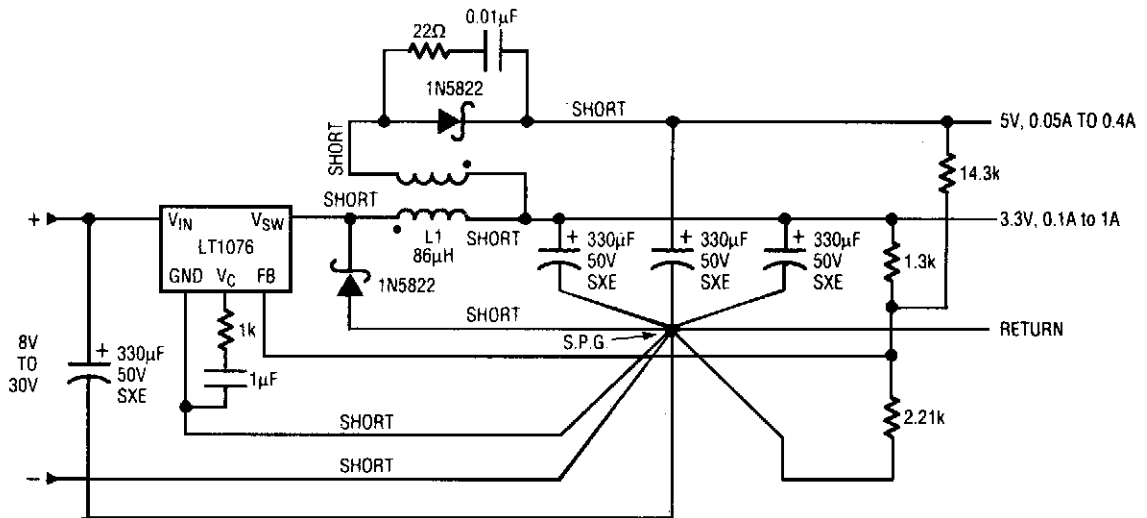


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FIG. 18-18

A logarithmic converter used to produce an output voltage that is proportional to the logarithm of an input current is shown.  $R_S$  is the input impedance of the input source.

## dc/dc CONVERTER CIRCUIT WITH 3.3-V AND 5-V OUTPUTS



S.P.G. SINGLE POINT GROUND, (STAR GROUND)  
 DARK LINES INDICATE HIGH CURRENT PATHS (SEE TEXT)  
 L1 = HURRICANE LABS HL8685  
 = COILTRONICS CTX01-11959  
 ALL ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS, UNITED CHEMICON SXE SERIES

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FIG. 18-19

Input voltages can range from 8 V to 30 V. The load range on the 5 V is 0.05 A to 5 A while the 3.3-V load range is 0.1 A to 1 A. The circuit is self-protected under no-load conditions. Over all load and line conditions, including cross regulation, the 3.3-V output varies from 3.25 V to 3.27 V. The 5-V output varies from 4.81 V to 5.19 V under the same conditions.

In a typical application to 0.5 A on the 3.3 V and 0.25 A on the 5 V, efficiency is typically 76%. With an input voltage of 30 V and a full-load condition, the efficiency drops to 66%. In normal operating regions, efficiency is always better than 70%. The 5-V ripple is less than 75 mV and the 3.3-V ripple less than 50 mV over all line and load conditions.



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## Counter Circuits

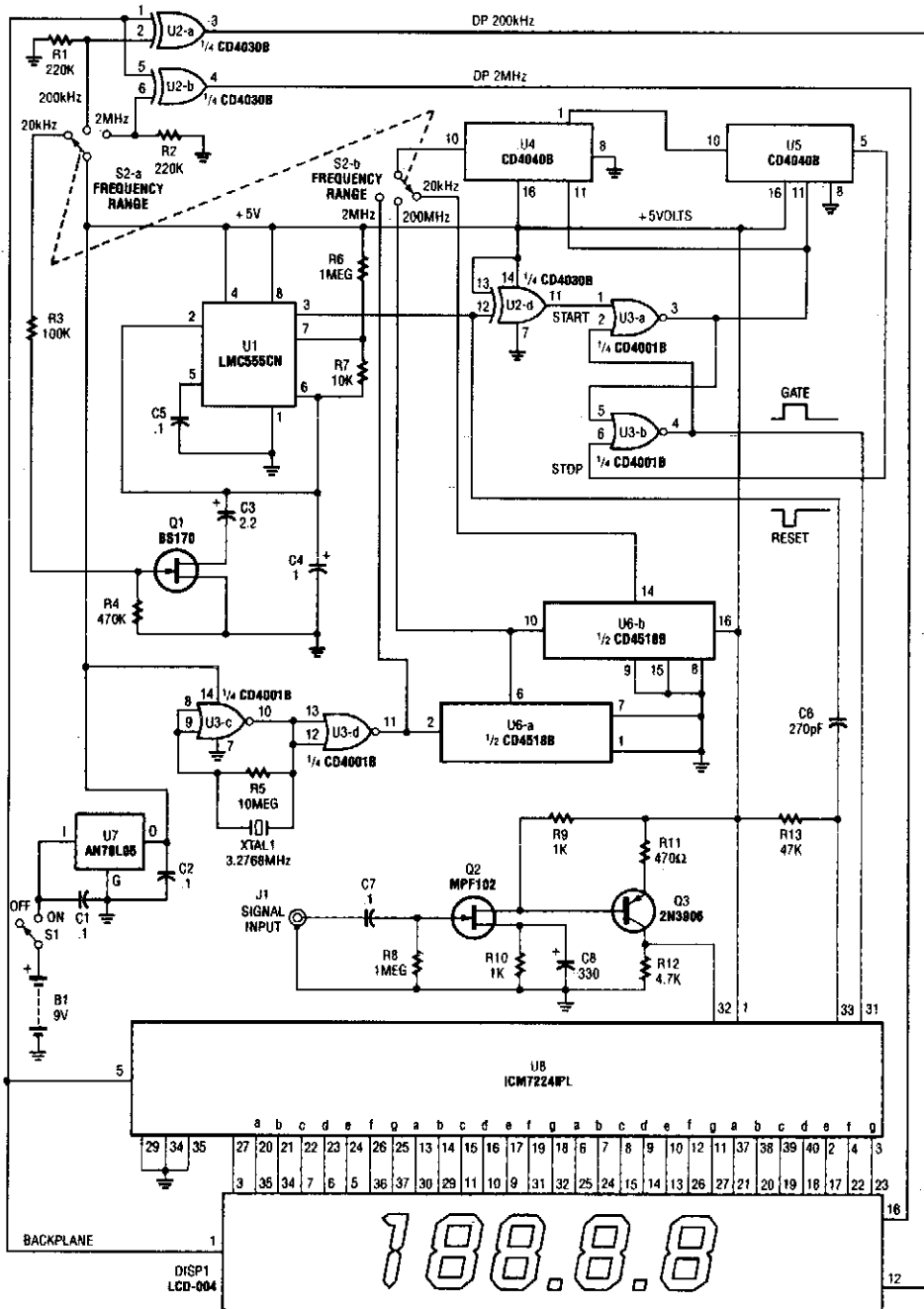
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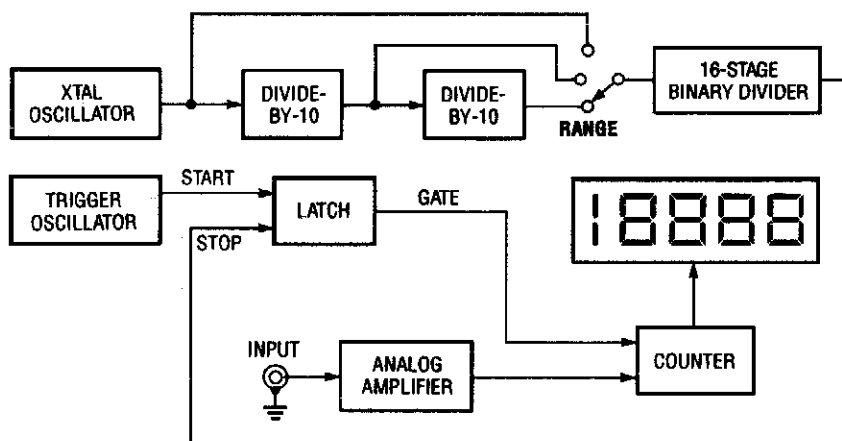
2-MHz Frequency Counter

10-MHz Frequency Counter

## 2-MHz FREQUENCY COUNTER



## 2-MHz FREQUENCY COUNTER (Cont.)

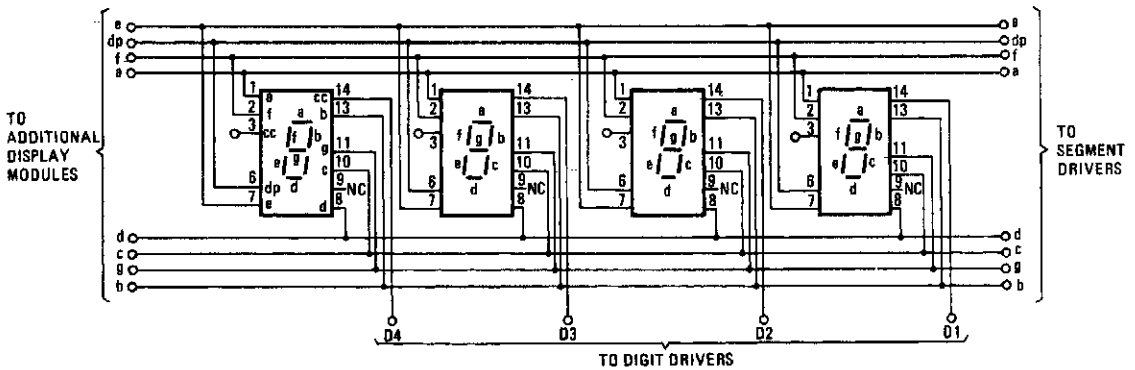
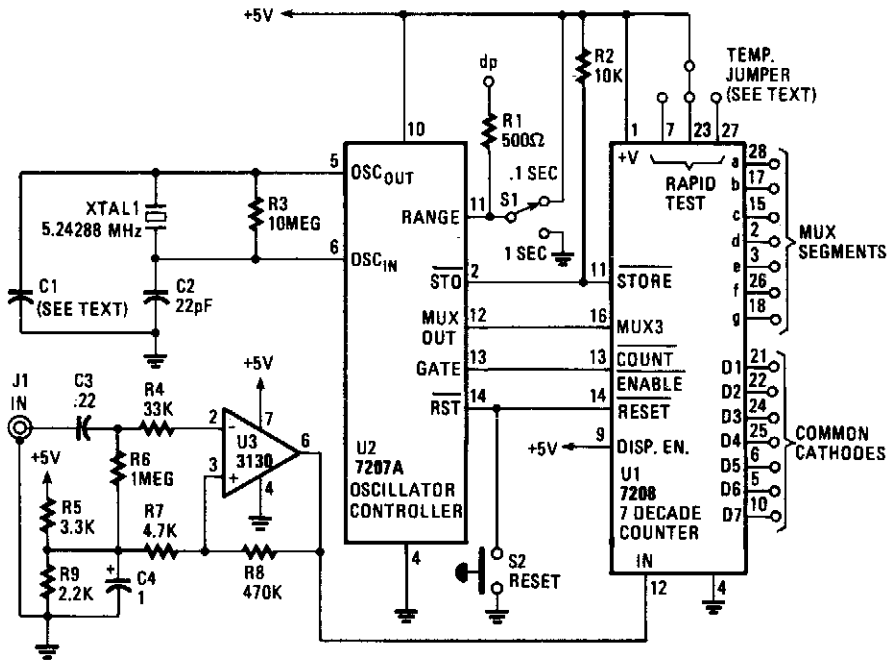


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This is a schematic and block diagram of a 2-MHz frequency counter. It uses an LSI counter/display driver, LCD readout, and a few logic chips for timebase and timing pulse circuitry. Q2 and Q3 form a signal (input) amplifier.

The circuit contains a crystal oscillator built around U3-c and XTAL1, which provides the primary timing-reference signal. That signal is then divided twice to provide two additional timing references, giving the circuitry three selectable timing references. The ICM7224IPL is an integrated circuit that consists of the counter and display driver to drive the LCD-004 display.

# 10-MHz FREQUENCY COUNTER



## 10-MHz FREQUENCY COUNTER (*Cont.*)

The circuit consists of an ICM7208 seven-decade counter (U1), an ICM7207A oscillator controller (U2), and a CA3130 biFET op amp (U3). Integrated circuit U1 counts input signals, decodes them to 7-segment format, and outputs signals that are used to drive a 7-digit display. Integrated circuit U2 provides the timing for U1, while U3 conditions the input signal to provide a suitable waveform for input to U1. The 5.24288-MHz crystal frequency is divided by U2 to produce a 1280-Hz multiplexing signal at pin 12 of U2. That signal is input to U1 at pin 16 and is used to scan the display digits in sequence. The cathodes of each digit are taken to ground several times each second, activating any segments of the digits whose anodes are high as the result of decoding by U1. The crystal frequency is further divided to produce a short “store” pulse at pin 2 of U2, followed (after about 0.4 ms) by a short “reset” pulse at pin 14 of U2. The frequency of the pulses is determined by the state of U2 pin 11.

When pin 11 of U2 is taken to ground through S1, the pulses occur every 2 seconds and cause U2 pin to go high for one second, which prevents additional input signals from entering U1. That causes the count latched in U1’s internal counters to be transferred to the display.

Integrated circuit U2 pin 13 then goes low for one second, allowing a new count to be entered into the seven decade counters of U1. That cycle is repeated, continuously updating the display every two seconds.

When U2 pin 11 is taken to the positive supply rail (+5 V), the “store” and “reset” pulses occur at 0.2-s intervals, resulting in a 0.1-s count-period. Ten input pulses must be counted in order for a “1” to appear on the first digit, D1, so that the frequency being measured is obviously 10 times larger than the frequency that is shown on the display. In that mode, the decimal points are driven by M and visually indicate that the 0.1-s count period is being used.

The display must have at least seven 7-segment common-cathode multiplexed LED digits. Any common-cathode seven-segment display can be used; no particular display is specified.

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## 20

# Crystal Oscillator and Test Circuits

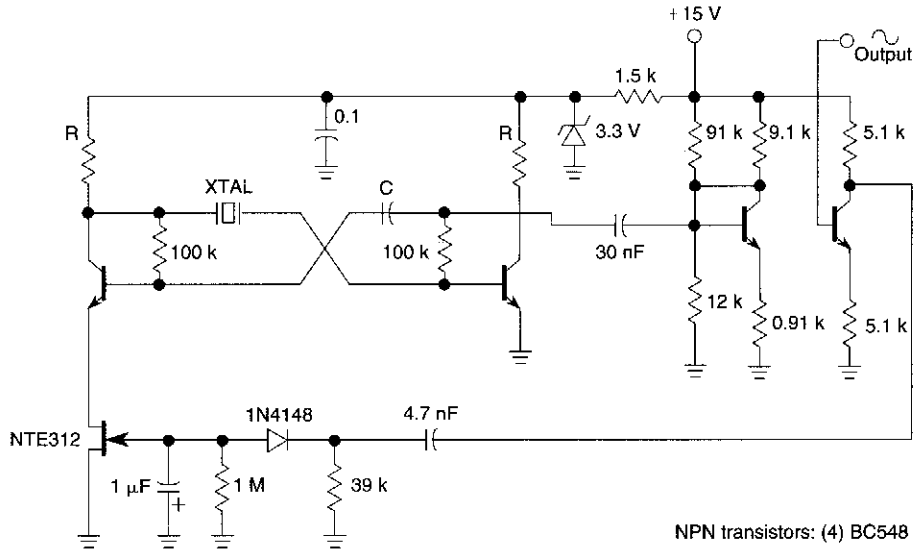
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Low-Frequency Crystal Oscillator
- Crystal Oscillator
- Easy Crystal Impedance Checker
- Hex Buffer Crystal Oscillator
- Multi-Output Timebase
- Crystal Activity Tester
- 10- to 1-Hz Timebase
- Crystal Tester
- Wide-Range Crystal Oscillator
- Pierce Oscillator
- Crystal-Controlled Hartley Oscillator

## LOW-FREQUENCY CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

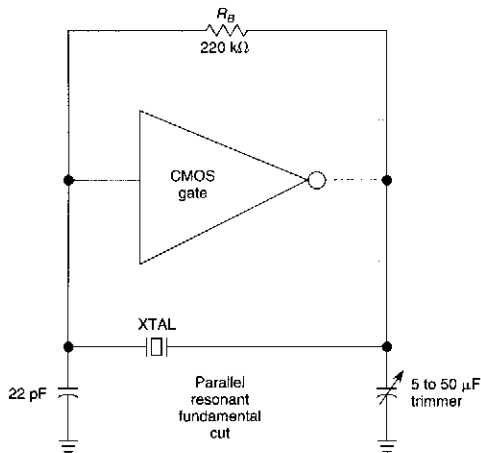


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FIG. 20-1

Q1, Q2, and the associated circuitry form a modified astable multivibrator in which the loop gain is automatically adjusted to the threshold of oscillation by means of field effect transistor Q3. Q4 linearly amplifies the signal present at the collector of Q2 and isolates the oscillator section of the circuit from the output. This stage features wideband operation and delivers a clean 2.5-V amplitude sine wave into a resistive load greater than or equal to 20 kΩ. The stage comprising Q5 has a voltage gain of 1 and its sole purpose is to isolate the nonlinear effects of rectifier D1 from the output.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

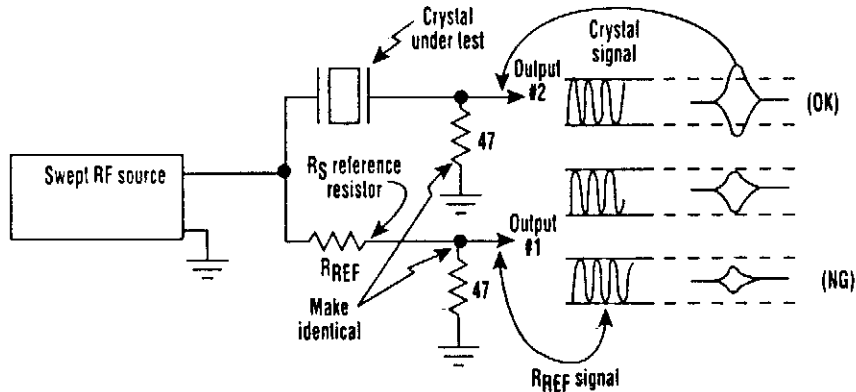


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FIG. 20-2

The CMOS amplifier is biased into the linear region by resistor  $R_B$ . The pi-type crystal network (C1 and C2, and XTAL) provides the 180° phase shift at the resonant frequency which causes the circuit to oscillate.

## EASY CRYSTAL IMPEDANCE CHECKER



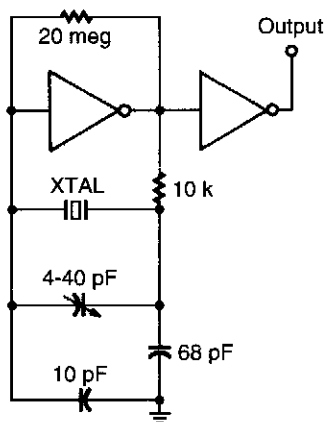
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 20-3

On occasion, microprocessors/microcomputers and microprocessor crystals just aren't compatible with each other. Many microprocessor data sheets specify maximum values for a crystal's equivalent series resistance ( $R_S$ ) that aren't met by some crystals advertised for microprocessor/microcomputer use. As a result, a crystal with an  $R_S$  value greater than the maximum specified for the chip might cause problems, such as a balky or even inoperative clock oscillator.

To tackle this problem, a suspected crystal can be given a quick check for  $R_S$  with a simple test setup that consists of a sweep generator, oscilloscope, and three resistors (see the figure). When the frequency source is brought to the crystal's frequency, output 2 will maximize. If it exceeds the amplitude of output 1, the crystal's  $R_S$  value will be less than the  $R_S$  reference resistor's value. If it doesn't exceed output 1's amplitude, the crystal's  $R_S$  value is too large.

## HEX BUFFER CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR



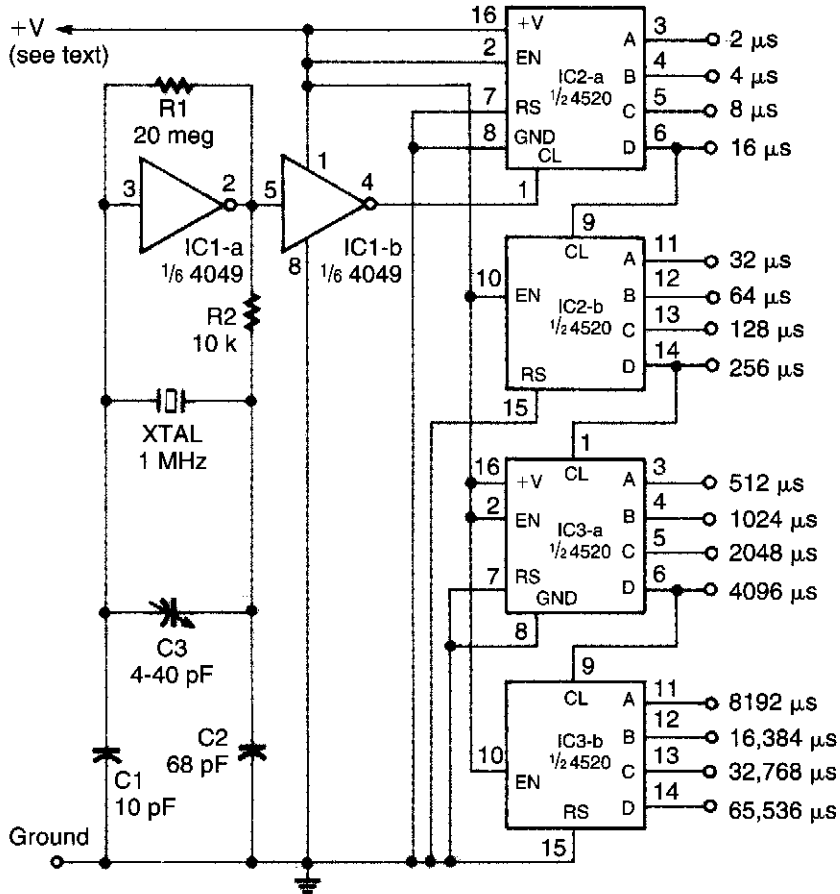
A 4049 single section acts as a crystal oscillator, driving another section as a buffer, leaving four sections for other use. Use a 32- or 20-pF parallel resonant fundamental crystal.

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FIG. 20-4

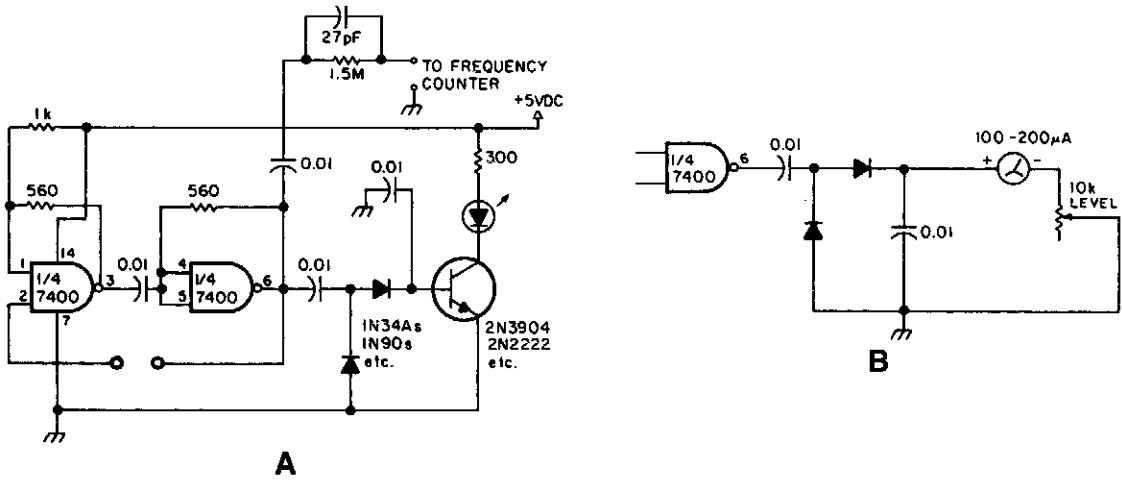


## MULTI-OUTPUT TIMEBASE



A 1-MHz oscillator drives a binary counter to produce pulse widths from 2 to 65,536 ms.  $V_+$  is any CMOS suitable level (5 to 15 V, etc.).

## CRYSTAL ACTIVITY TESTER

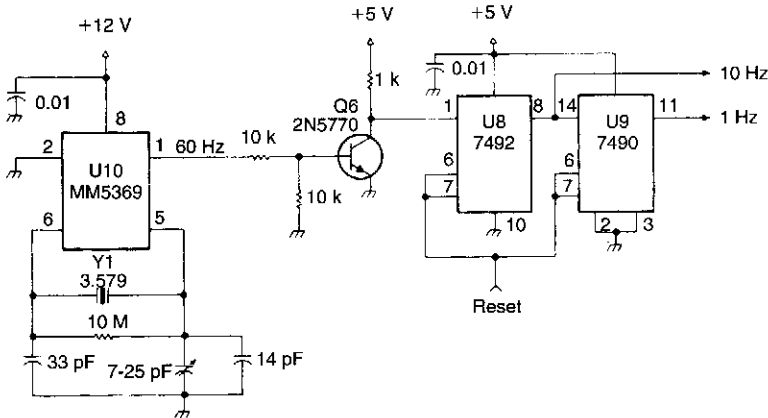


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FIG. 20-6

This circuit will check a crystal for activity. Two sections of a 7400 act as an oscillator and its output is rectified and drives an npn transistor that switches an LED (Fig. A). In Fig. B, a meter replaces the LED.

## 10- TO 1-Hz TIMEBASE

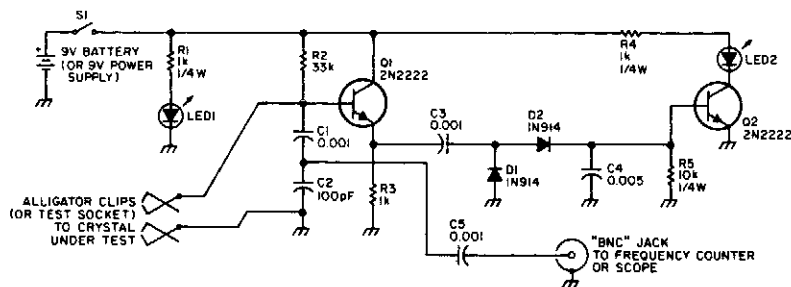


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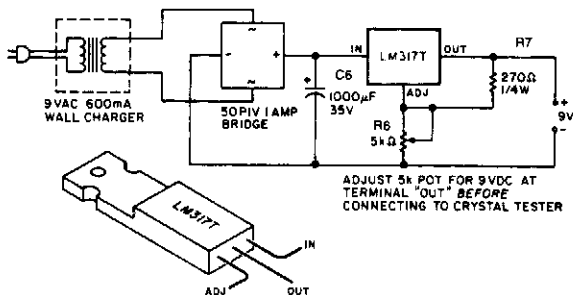
FIG. 20-7

This system uses an MM5369 IC to derive a 60-Hz signal from a TV burst crystal (3.579 MHz). V8 and V9 produce a 10-Hz and 1-Hz signal from this 60-Hz signal. Y1 can be any parallel-mode 3.579-MHz crystal.

## CRYSTAL TESTER



**A**



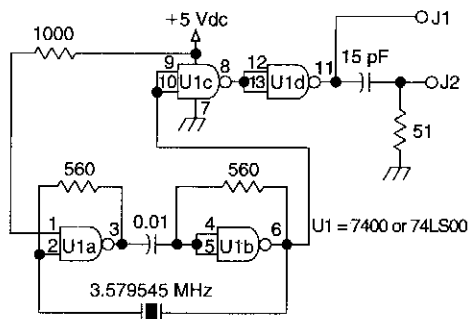
**B**

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FIG. 20-8

Q1 acts as a Colpitts crystal oscillator, and if the crystal under test is operational, the RF signal is rectified by D1 and D2, turning on Q2 and lighting indicator LED2. LED1 is a power indicator.

## WIDE-RANGE CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

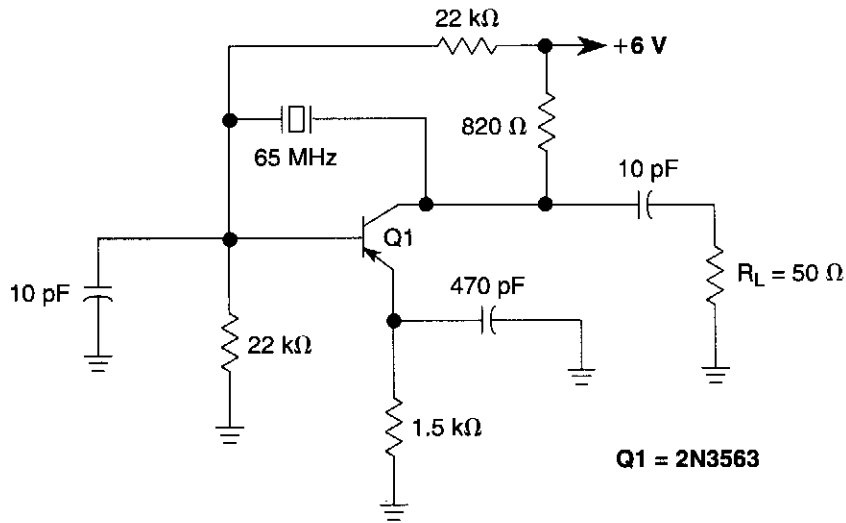


A circuit using one 7400 TTL IC can use crystals of the fundamental type, from 1 to about 13 MHz. Output is rich in harmonics, making this oscillator useful for calibrations and test applications.

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FIG. 20-9

## PIERCE OSCILLATOR

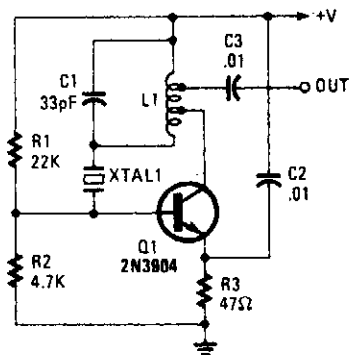


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FIG. 20-10

This Pierce oscillator uses a fundamental-mode 65-MHz crystal.

## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED HARTLEY OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 20-11

# 21

## Current-Source Circuits

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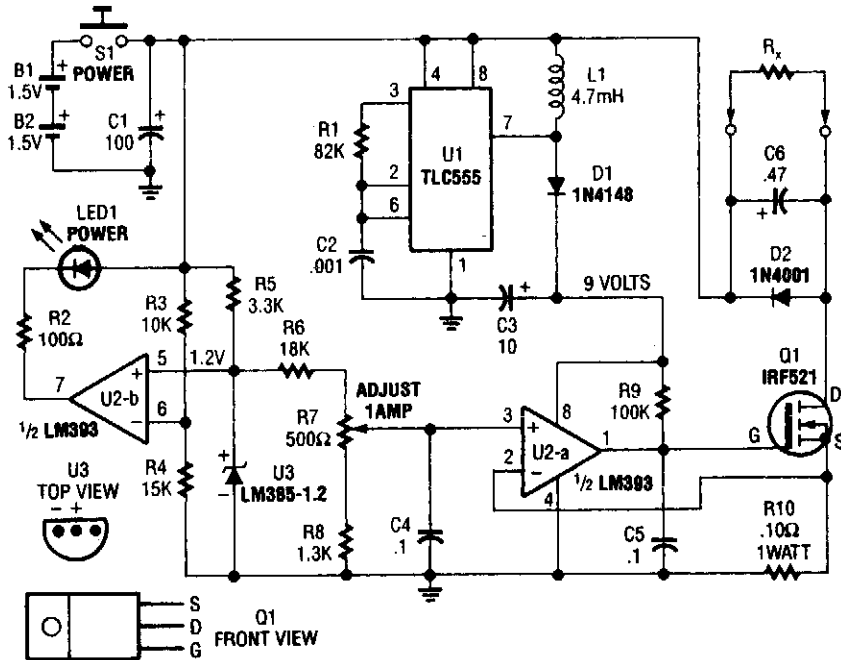
Current Source for Low-Resistance Measurements

Precision Positive Current Source

Bilateral Current Source

Precision Negative Current Source

## CURRENT SOURCE FOR LOW-RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS

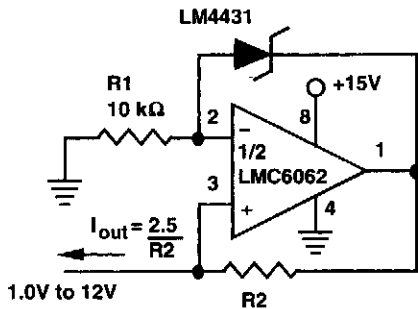


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FIG. 21-1

Useful for low-resistance measurements, this 1-A current source will produce 1 A in unknown resistance  $R_x$ . For best results,  $R_x$  should be less than 1 to 2  $\Omega$ , because only 3 V are available. U1 is a flyback converter to generate 9 V for U2.

## PRECISION POSITIVE CURRENT SOURCE

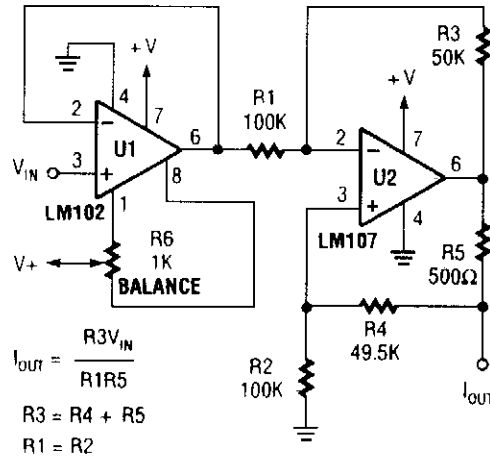


An LM4431 precision 2.5-V reference and an LMC6062 op amp to make a positive current source, from 1 mA to 10 mA.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

FIG. 21-2

## BILATERAL CURRENT SOURCE

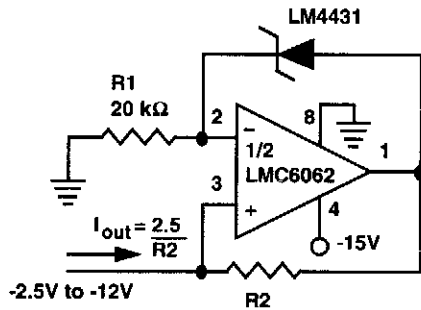


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FIG. 21-3

Using two op amps, this circuit produces current proportional to  $V_{IN}$ .

## PRECISION NEGATIVE CURRENT SOURCE



A National Semiconductor LM4431 reference and an LMC6062 op amp make up a negative current source. Current range is 1  $\mu$ A to 1 mA.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

FIG. 21-4

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## Current Limiter and Control Circuits

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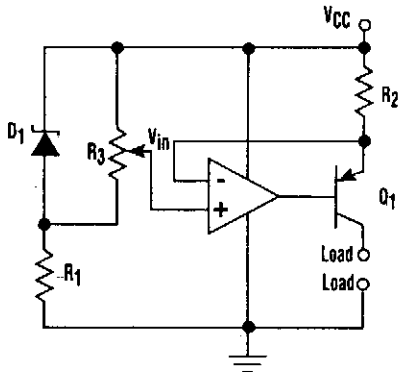
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Offset-Adjusting Current Source  
Inrush Current Limiter

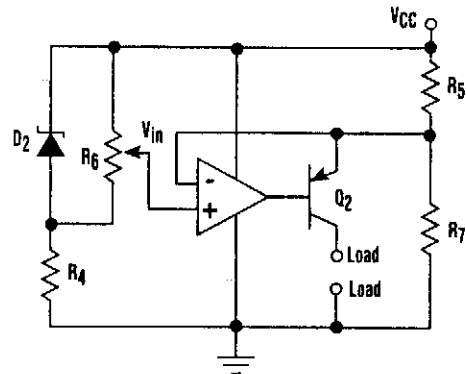


## OFFSET-ADJUSTING CURRENT SOURCE



1. Though this setup can act as a cost-effective current source with an output accurate to 1%, the voltage offset will turn on the current source even when  $V_{CC}$  equals  $V_{in}$ .

**A**



2. Modifying the configuration of Figure 1 can rectify the problem of the current source being turned on by the voltage offset. The addition of  $R_7$  allows an adjustment that guarantees turn-off for any op-amp offset specification.

**B**

**FIG. 22-1**

By carefully choosing components, you can create a cost effective circuit for a current source with an output that's accurate to 1% (Fig. A).  $I_{OUT}$  (the current flowing from the collector of Q1) is  $V_{CC} - V_{IN}$  (the voltage at the wiper of R3) divided by the value of  $R_2$ .

In some instances, it's important to be able to turn off the current source (within the limits of  $I_{CEO}$  for Q1). Unfortunately, in about half of these cases, the offset voltage ( $V_{OS}$ ) of the op amp will turn the current source on even when  $V_{CC} = V_{IN}$ . That's because the offset voltage (when the noninverting input needs to be at a higher potential than the inverting input to get an output of 0 V from the op amp) is impressed across  $R_2$ . This offset voltage forces Q1 to turn on enough to yield a collector current of  $V_{OS}$  divided by  $R_2$ .

Figure B offers a fix for this predicament. The addition of  $R_7$  presents the emitter of Q2 with a Thevenin equivalent voltage and resistance represented by:

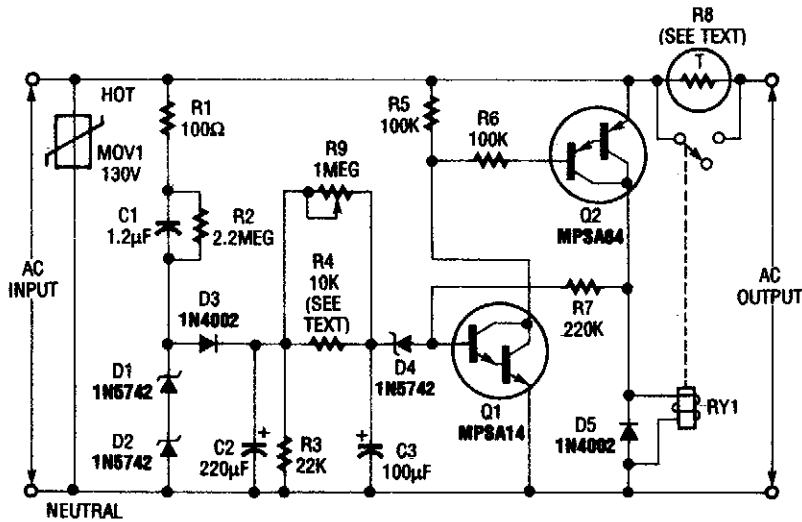
$$V_{TH} = \frac{V_{CC}(1 - R_5)}{R_5 + R_7}$$

$$R_{TH} = \frac{R_5 \times R_7}{R_5 + R_7}$$

The difference between  $V_{CC}$  and  $V_{TH}$  is  $V_{CC}(R_5/R_5 + R_7)$ . If  $V_{CC}(R_5/R_5 + R_7)$  is set equal to the maximum  $V_{OS}$  spec for the op amp in question, the circuit is then guaranteed to turn off. This circuit has an output current of  $V_{TH} - V_{IN}$  divided by  $R_{TH}$ .

The compromise of Fig. B does present another error term in the circuit. The term  $(V_{TH} - V_{IN})$  will have to be  $2 \times V_{OS}$  to guarantee a current output for whole population of the op amp chosen. This error can be made arbitrarily small (but not zero) by increasing the voltage of D2 and  $V_{CC}$  while raising the value of D2 and  $V_{CC}$  while also raising the value of the equivalent resistance  $R_{TH}$ .

## INRUSH CURRENT LIMITER



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FIG. 22-2

Q1 is an npn Darlington and Q2 is a pnp Darlington. MOV1 is a metal-oxide varistor and R8 is an NTC thermistor for limiting inrush current.

This circuit limits ac line current to a load. When a predetermined interval has passed, RY1 shorts out thermistor or resistance RB. R4 can be 150 kΩ if R9 is not used. If power is removed, the circuit is ready for immediate restart.

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## Delay Circuit

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of the circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Power-On Delay Circuit



# 24

## Detector, Demodulator, and Discriminator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Bug Detector
- FM Demodulator
- 555 Missing Pulse Detector
- Simple Full-Wave Envelope Detector
- Open-Loop Peak Detector
- Closed-Loop Peak Detector
- Fast Pulse Detector
- Air-Flow Detector
- Negative Peak Detector
- Low-Drift Peak Detector
- 455-kHz FM Demodulator

## BUG DETECTOR

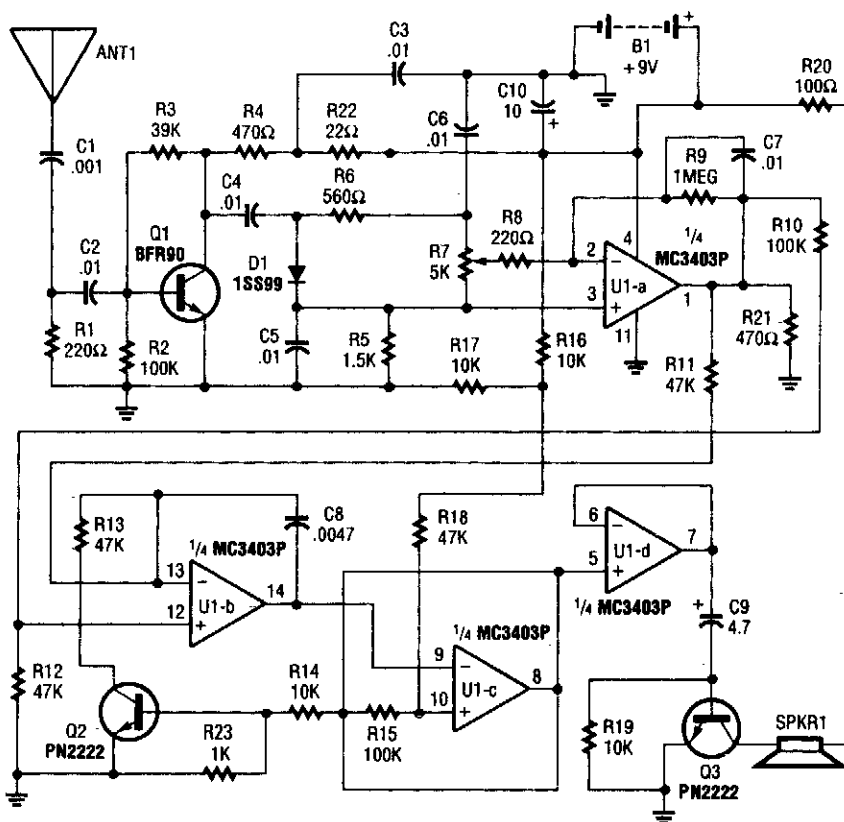


FIG. 24-1

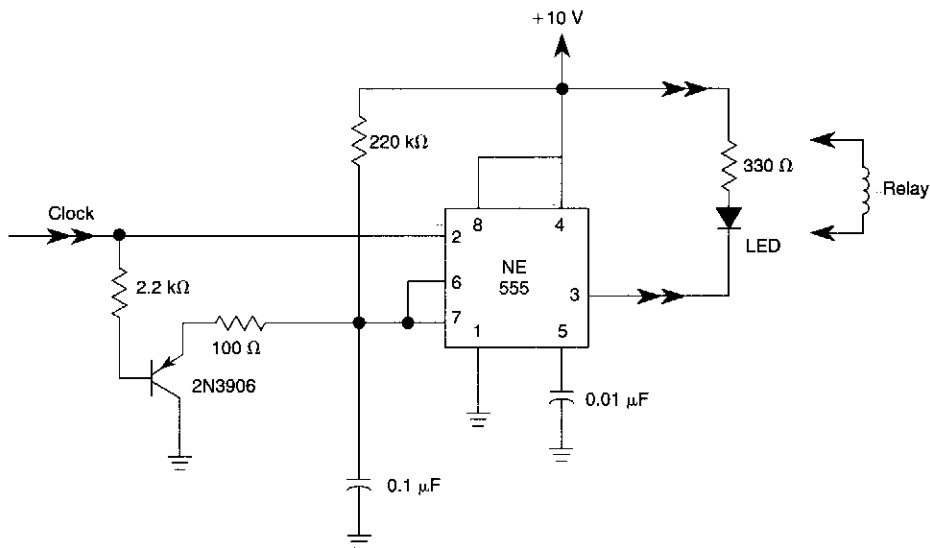
The circuit, built around a single integrated circuit (U1, an MC3403P quad op amp), three transistors (Q1-Q3), and a few support components, receives its input from the antenna (ANT1). The signal is fed through a high-pass filter, formed by C1, C2, and R1, which eliminates bothersome 60-Hz pickup from any nearby power lines or line cords located in and around buildings and homes.

From the high-pass filter, the signal is applied to transistor Q1 (which provides a 10-dB gain for frequencies in the 1- to 2000-MHz range) for amplification. Resistors R2, R3, and R4 form the biasing network for Q1. The amplified signal is then ac coupled, via capacitor C4 and resistor R7's (the sensitivity control) wiper, to the inverting input (pin 2) of U1-a. Op amp U1-a is configured as a very high gain amplifier. With no signal input from ANT1, the output of U1-a at pin 1 is near ground potential.

When a signal from the antenna is applied to the base of Q1, it turns on, producing a negative-going voltage at the cathode of D1. That voltage is applied to pin 1 of U1-a, which amplifies and inverts the signal, producing a positive-going output at pin 1. Op amps U1-b and U1-c along with C8, R10 through R18, and Q2 are arranged to form a voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO) that operates over the audio-frequency range. As the output of U1-a increases, the frequency of the VCO increases. The VCO output, at pin 8 of U1-c, is fed to the input of U1-d, which is configured as a noninverting, unity-gain (buffer) amplifier. The output of U1-d is used to drive Q3, which, in turn, drives the output speaker.



## 555 MISSING PULSE DETECTOR

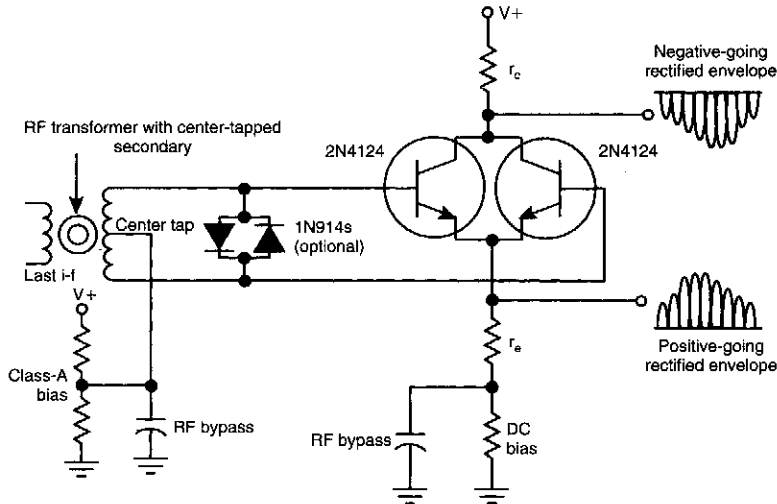


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FIG. 24-3

This missing pulse detector can use an LED or relay output.

## SIMPLE FULL-WAVE ENVELOPE DETECTOR



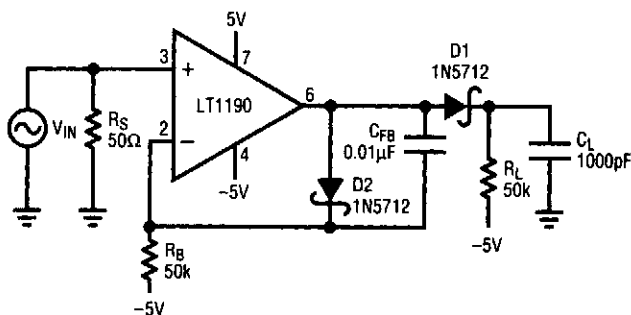
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FIG. 24-4

Simple, yet sensitive, this amplifying full-wave detector circuit has an almost zero rectification threshold. It presents a highly linear RF load to the final IF stage. The gain for the collector output is given (approximately) by  $r_c/r_e$ . The emitter output gain is slightly less than unity.



## OPEN-LOOP PEAK DETECTOR

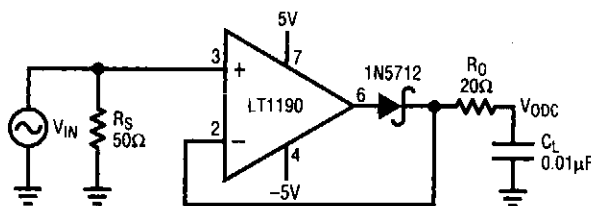


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FIG. 24-5

In this open-loop design, the detector diode is  $D_1$ , and a level shifting or compensating diode is  $D_2$ . Load resistor  $R_L$  is connected to  $-5$  V, and an identical bias resistor  $R_L$  is connected to  $-5$  V, and identical bias resistor  $R_B$  is used to bias the compensating diode. Resistors with equal values ensure that the diode drops are equal. Low values of  $R_L$  and  $R_B$  (1 k $\Omega$  to 10 k $\Omega$ ) provide fast response, but at the expense of poor low-frequency accuracy. High values of  $R_L$  and  $R_B$  provide good low-frequency accuracy, but cause the amplifier to slew rate limit, resulting in poor high-frequency accuracy. A good compromise can be made by adding a feedback capacitor  $C_{FB}$ , which enhances the negative slew rate on the (-) input.

## CLOSED-LOOP PEAK DETECTOR

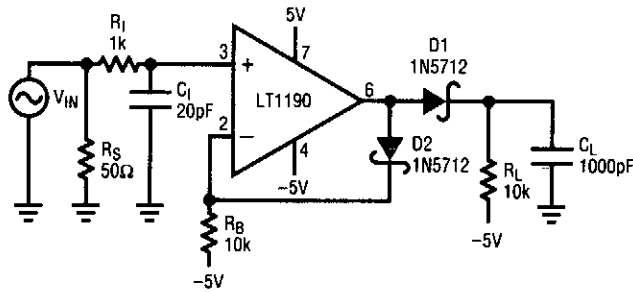


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 24-6

This closed-loop peak detector circuit uses a Schottky diode inside feedback loop to obtain good accuracy. The 20- $\Omega$  resistance  $R_O$  isolates the 0.01- $\mu\text{F}$  load and prevents oscillation. The dc value is read with a DVM. At a low frequency, the error is small and dominated by the decay of the detector capacitor between cycles. As the frequency rises, the error increases because capacitor charging time decreases. During this time, the overdrive becomes a very small portion of a sine-wave cycle. Finally, at approximately 4 MHz, the error rises rapidly because of the slew-rate limitation of the op amp.

## FAST PULSE DETECTOR

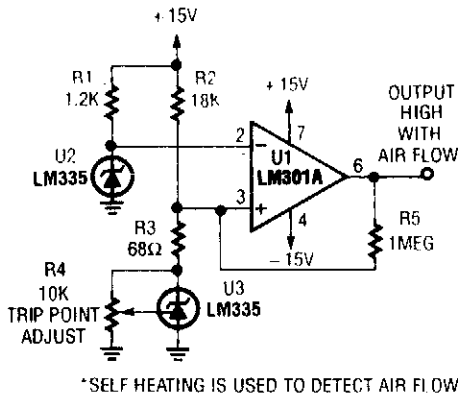


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 24-7

A fast pulse detector can be made with this circuit. A very fast input pulse will exceed the amplifier slew rate and cause a long overload recovery time. Some amount of  $dv/dt$  limiting on the input can help this overload condition, however this will delay the response.

### AIR-FLOW DETECTOR

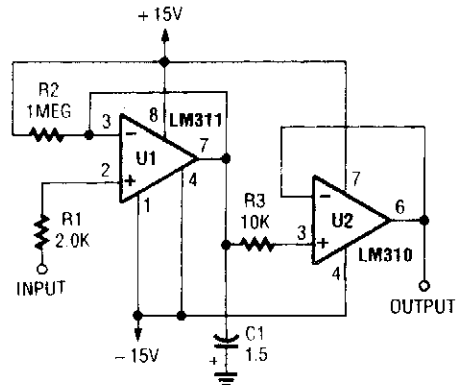


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FIG. 24-8

Two precision temperature sensors are used to detect a small temperature difference. When air flow occurs, self-heating of the LM335 is reduced, and the output of the two temperature sensors is unequal. This is amplified by U1.

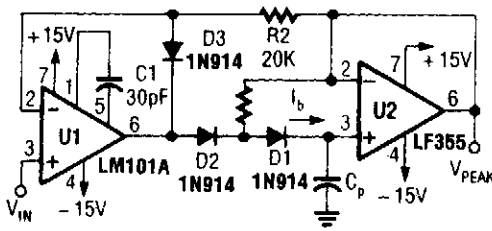
### NEGATIVE PEAK DETECTOR



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FIG. 24-9

## LOW-DRIFT PEAK DETECTOR



Leakage of D2 is provided by feedback path through  $R_f$ .

Leakage of circuit is essentially  $I_b$  (LF155, LF156) plus capacitor leakage of  $C_p$ .

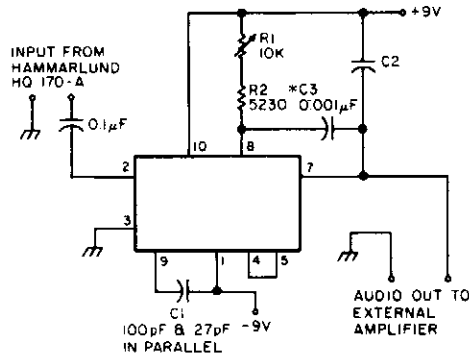
Diode D3 clamps  $V_{out}$  (A1) to  $V_{in} - V_{D3}$  to improve speed and to limit reverse bias of D2.

Maximum input frequency should be  $\ll \frac{1}{2} \pi R_f C_{D2}$ , where  $C_{D2}$  is shunt capacitance of D2.

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FIG. 24-10

## 455-kHz FM DEMODULATOR



\*C3 IS REQUIRED TO ELIMINATE POSSIBLE OSCILLATION IN THE CONTROL CURRENT SOURCE

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FIG. 24-11

Free-running frequency of VCO:  $f_o = 1.2/4 (R_1) (C_1)$

lock range  $f_l = \pm 8f_o/V_{CC}$

capture range  $f_c = \pm \frac{1}{2} \pi \sqrt{\frac{2\pi F_L}{r}}$

where  $r = (3.6 \times 10^3) (C_2)$

Useful for NBFM reception on older shortwave receivers lacking this capability, this circuit uses a PLL IC, an N565N, to achieve this. It was originally used with an old Hammarlund HQ-170 receiver, for both 6- and 10-m FM reception.

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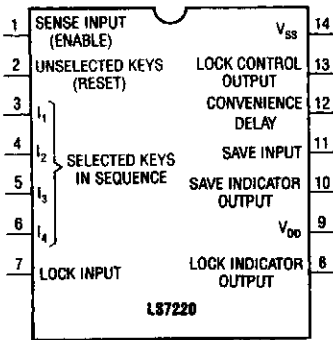
## Digital Circuits

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Digital Entry Lock  
Digital Audio Selector  
Digital Multiple-Gang Potentiometer Control  
Digital Resistance Control  
Digital Capacitance Control  
BCD Rotary Switch

## DIGITAL ENTRY LOCK



The LS7220 keyless lock (a pinout of which is shown here) is a special-purpose IC designed to accept a four-digit code.

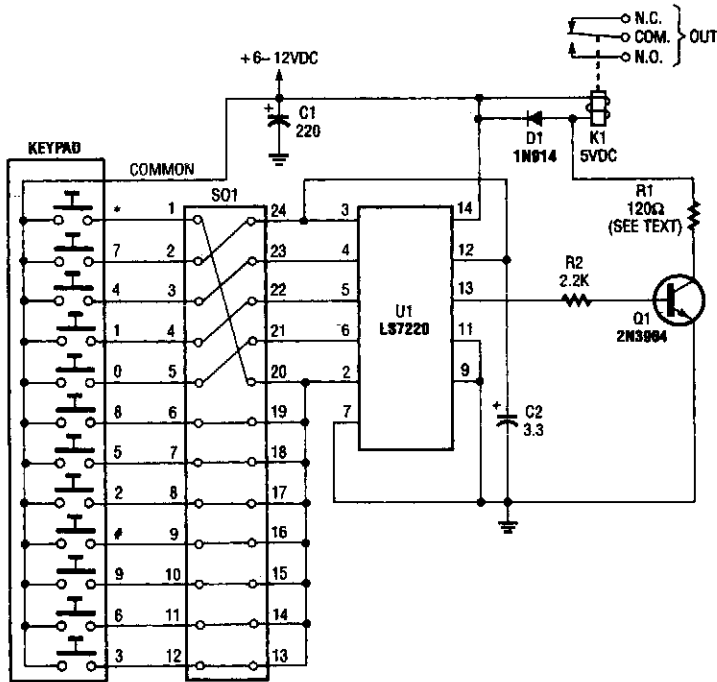


FIG. 25-1

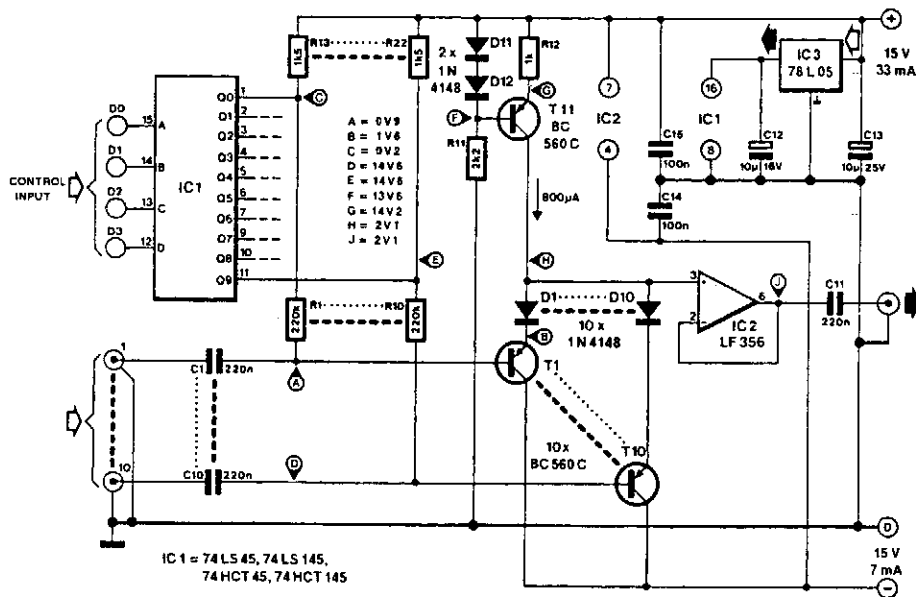
A block pinout diagram of the LS7220 keyless-lock IC is shown. The keypad must provide each key with a contact to a common connection. In this case, the common connection goes to the positive supply rail so that when a key is pressed, a positive voltage is passed through to the wire associated with that key. Each of the 12 keys are brought out to separate wires, and each wire is connected to a different pin of a 24-pin socket (SO1).

To activate (unlock) the circuit, a preprogrammed four-digit access code must be entered in the proper sequence. The four-digit access code must be entered in the proper sequence. The four-digit access is programmed into the circuit by connecting jumpers between terminals of a 24-pin plug-in header.

When the correct access code is entered (in the proper sequence), positive voltages appear at pins 3, 4, 5, and 6 of U1. That causes U1 to output a positive voltage at pin 13, which is fed through resistor R2 to the base of Q1, causing it to conduct. With Q1 conducting, its collector is pulled to ground potential, energizing relay K1. The normally open relay contacts close, switching on any external device.

Capacitor C2 controls the total time that the output of U1 at pin 13 is positive after the release of the first key. With a value of 3.3  $\mu$ F for C2, active time after release of the first key is about two seconds, assuming a 6-V supply or four seconds with a 12-V supply. Therefore, if you push the subsequent keys too slowly, the relay might not close at all! To increase the time allotted for code entry, you will have to increase the capacitance of C2.

## DIGITAL AUDIO SELECTOR

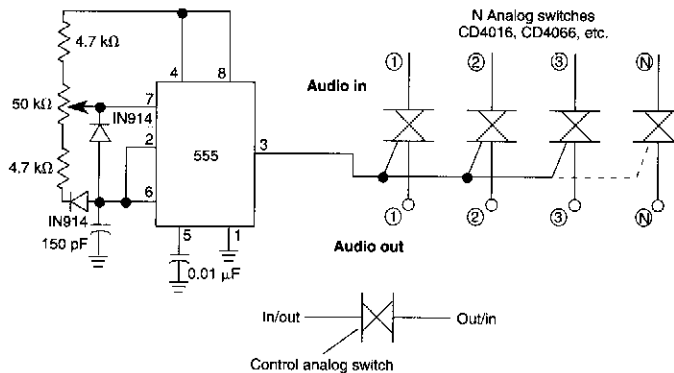


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FIG. 25-2

This circuit uses switched emitter followers, rather than the usual analog switch CMOS chips. This yields better reduction of crosstalk between channels. This circuit can handle up to  $4 V_{\text{rms}}$  with less than  $-80\text{-dB}$  crosstalk.

## DIGITAL MULTIPLE-GANG POTENTIOMETER CONTROL

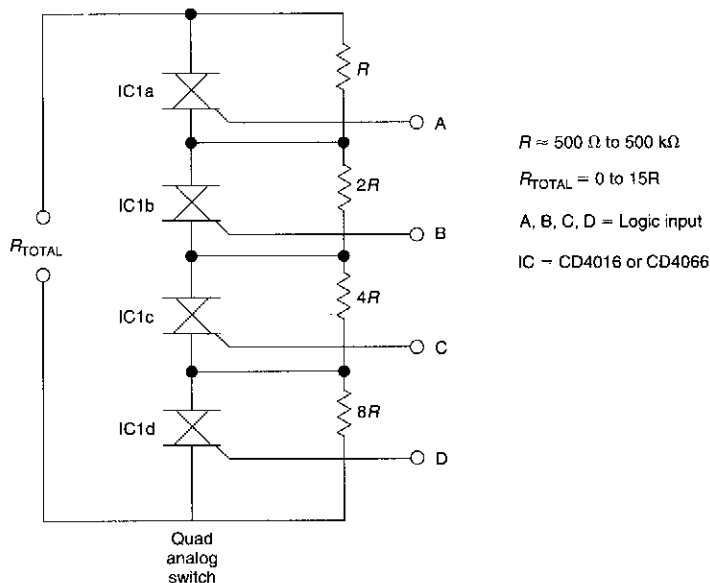


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FIG. 25-3

A 555 timer can be configured to simulate a multi-gang potentiometer by controlling the mark-space ratio. The switching rate should be at least twice the maximum expected signal frequency the potentiometer has to handle.

## DIGITAL RESISTANCE CONTROL

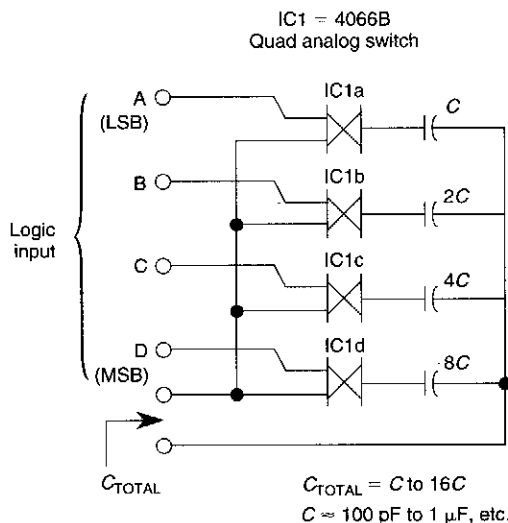


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FIG. 25-4

Digital resistance control is possible with bilateral switches. Do not forget that analog switches have "on" resistance.

## DIGITAL CAPACITANCE CONTROL



Digital capacitance control is possible with bilateral switches. Do not forget to consider "ON" resistance of the analog switches.

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FIG. 25-5





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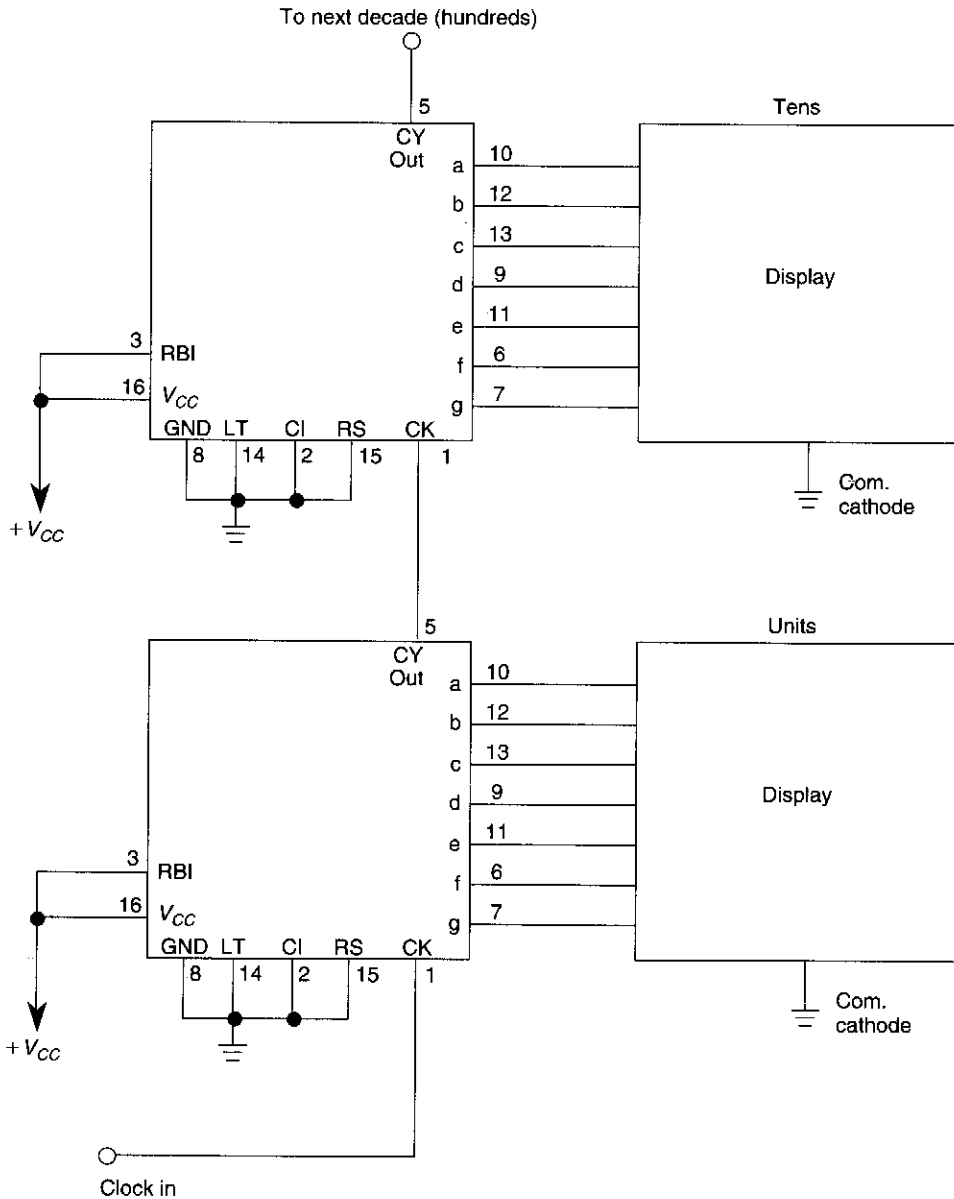
## Display Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

4033 Display Circuitry Common Cathode  
Cascaded 4026B Counter/Display Driver Circuit  
Large LCD Display Buffering Driver  
7-Segment LCD Driver  
LED Display Leading-Zero Suppressor  
7-Segment Common-Cathode LED Display Driver  
7-Segment (LED) Display Driver  
4543B 7-Segment LCD Driver  
Gas Discharge Tube or Display Driver  
4511B Common-Anode Display Driver  
Fluorescent Tube Display Driver  
4543B Common-Cathode LED Driver

## 4033 DISPLAY CIRCUITRY COMMON CATHODE

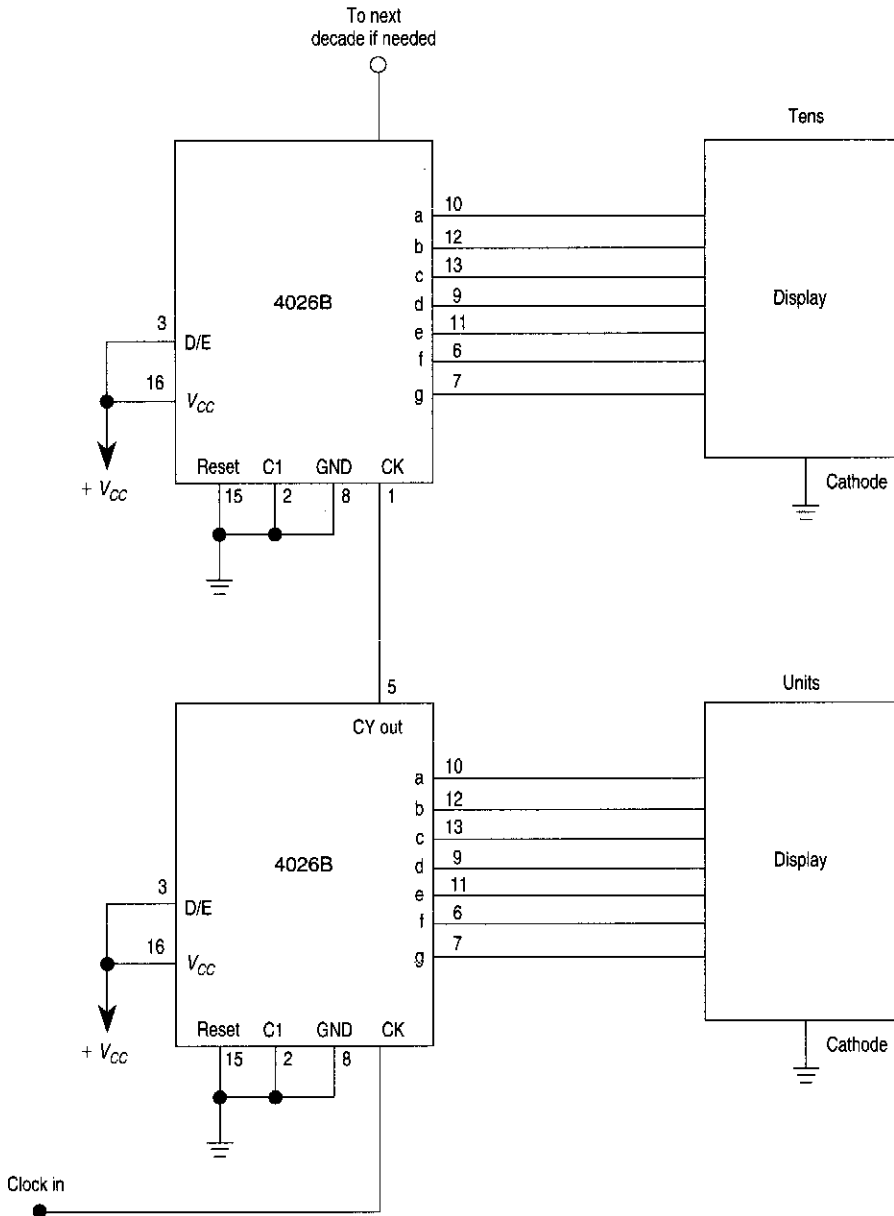


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FIG. 26-1

To drive two or more common-cathode displays two or more 4033 decode counters can be cascaded.

## CASCADED 4026B COUNTER/DISPLAY DRIVER CIRCUIT

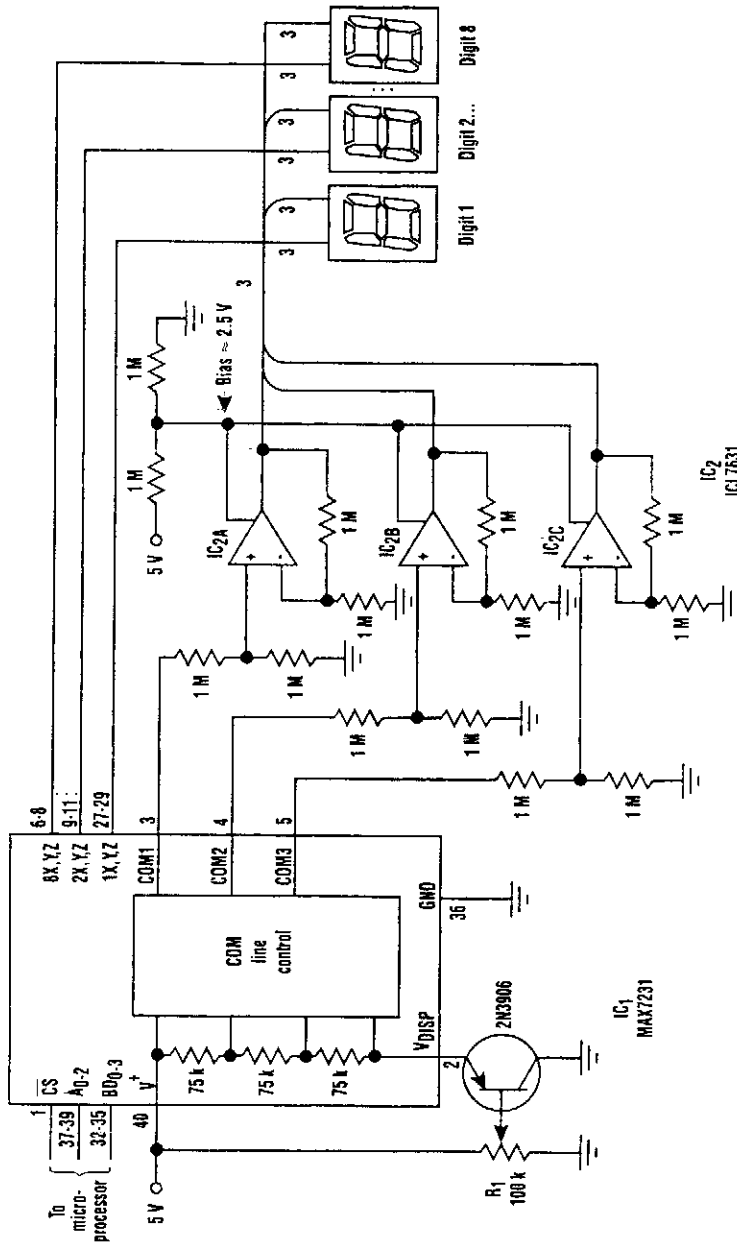


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FIG. 26-2

Two or more 4026B counters can be cascaded as shown to give a multiple-digit display. Two, three or more displays can thus be connected.

## LARGE LCD DISPLAY BUFFERING DRIVER



## ELECTRONIC DESIGN

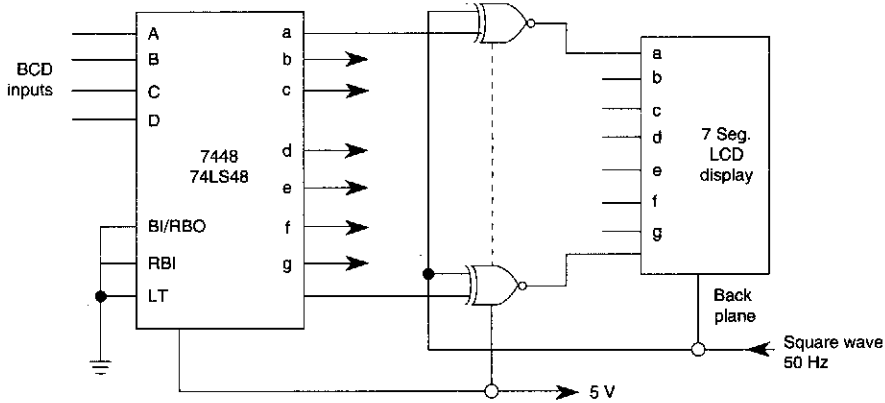
FIG. 26-3

Large LCD devices of 1" or more exhibit a large driving capacitance to the driver circuits. To solve this problem, the drive circuit shown (see the figure) introduces a buffer amplifier for each of the three common lines. Each amplifier can be programmed independently for a quiescent current of 10, 100, or 1000  $\mu\text{A}$ . In this application, the bias network applies a voltage that sets the three quiescent currents to 100  $\mu\text{A}$ .

The display driver and triple op amp operate between 5 V and ground, and the COM signals range from 5 V to  $\approx 1$  V. To ensure that these signals remain within the amplifiers' common-mode range, the signals are attenuated by one-half and the buffers operate at a gain of two. The circuit drives eight 1-inch displays, and is suitable for ambient temperature variations of 15°F or less. At the highest expected temperature, R1 should be adjusted so that no "off" segments are visible.

## 7-SEGMENT LCD DRIVER

2 Required  
7486, 74LS86, etc.  
exclusive OR gates or equivalent

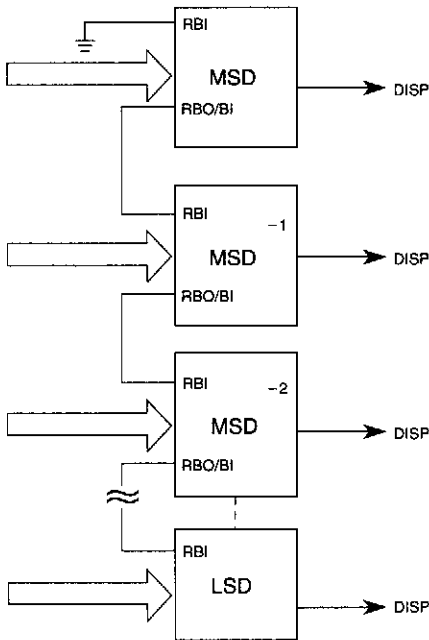


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FIG. 26-4

This circuit shows how a 7448 IC is used to drive a 7-segment LCD display. An external 50-Hz square wave supplies necessary phase signals to the back plane of the display.

## LED DISPLAY LEADING-ZERO SUPPRESSOR

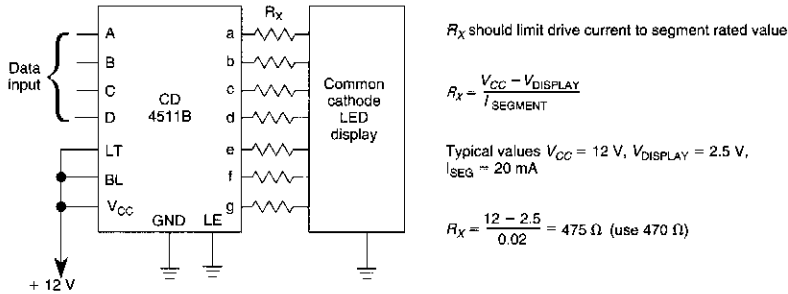


The diagram shows how to connect 7447-type IC devices for leading-zero suppression in an LED display.

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FIG. 26-5

## 7-SEGMENT COMMON-CATHODE LED DISPLAY DRIVER

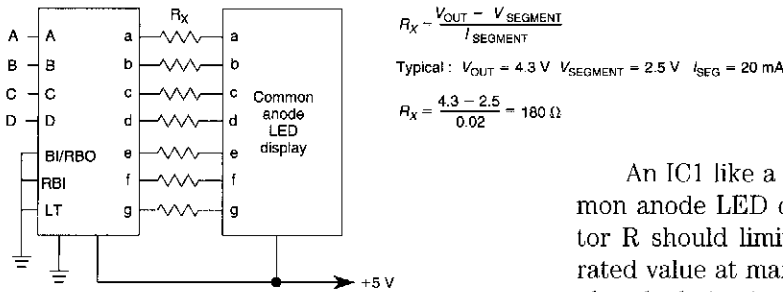


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FIG. 26-6

A CD4511B CMOS LED display driver can be used to drive a common cathode LED display. Current limiting resistors limit the segment current to the rated value at maximum supply voltage. A sample calculation is shown.

## 7-SEGMENT (LED) DISPLAY DRIVER

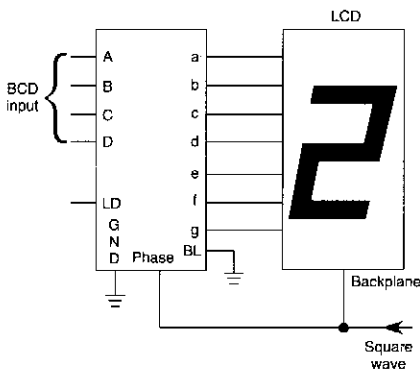


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FIG. 26-7

An IC1 like a 7447 drives a 7-segment common anode LED display. Current limiting resistor R should limit the segment current to the rated value at maximum supply voltage. A sample calculation is shown.

## 4543B 7-SEGMENT LCD DRIVER



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FIG. 26-8

The circuit shows a frequently-used method of driving an LCD display. A square-wave drive is necessary for this application.

## GAS DISCHARGE TUBE OR DISPLAY DRIVER

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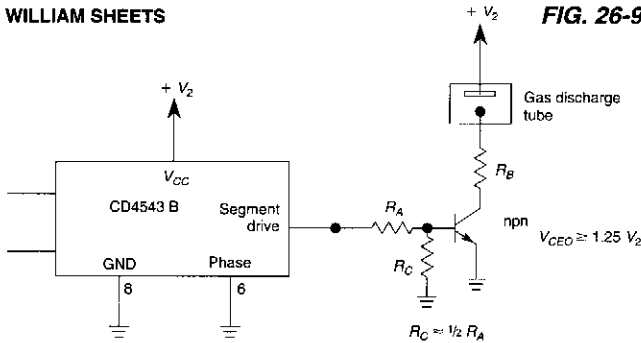


FIG. 26-9

To drive the display,  $R_A$  should provide a drive of about 1 mA to the gas discharge tube.  $R_B$  is a current-limiting resistor.

## 4511B COMMON-ANODE DISPLAY DRIVER

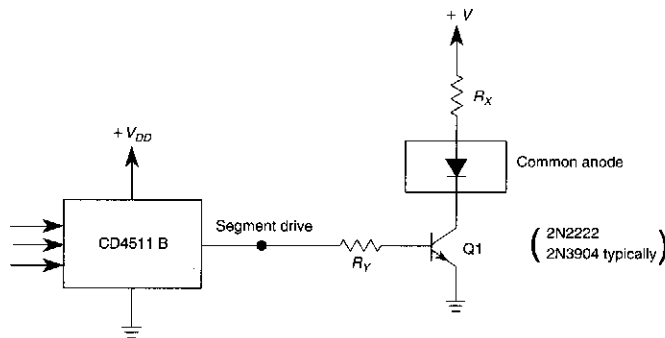


FIG. 26-10

The use of a switching transistor (like a 2N2222 or 2N3904) allows use of the CD4511B with a common-anode display.  $R_y$  should be chosen to provide about 1 mA to drive Q1 and  $R_x$  should provide enough current to drive the display. For this circuit, the transistor gain ( $H_{FE}$ ) should be at least the ratio of the segment drive current to the current through  $R_y$ .

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## FLUORESCENT TUBE DISPLAY DRIVER

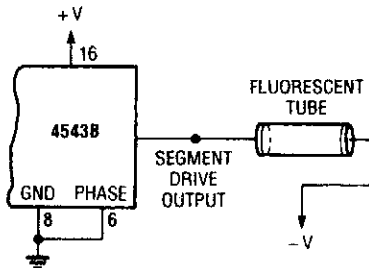


FIG. 26-11

A fluorescent tube or display can be driven with a 4543B IC, as shown.

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## 4543B COMMON-CATHODE LED DRIVER

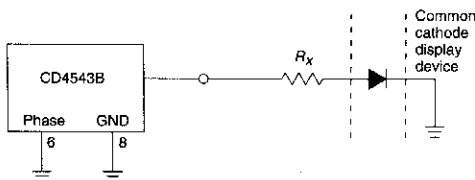


FIG. 26-12

This circuit shows a way of driving a common-cathode display segment or an LED with a CD4543B.

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## Doorbell Circuits

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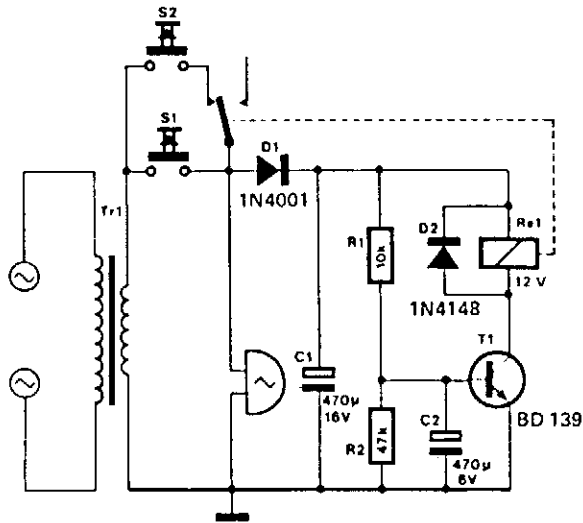
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Doorbell  
Twin Bell Circuit  
Electronic Door Buzzer





## TWIN BELL CIRCUIT



Tr1 = bell transformer

FIG. 27-2

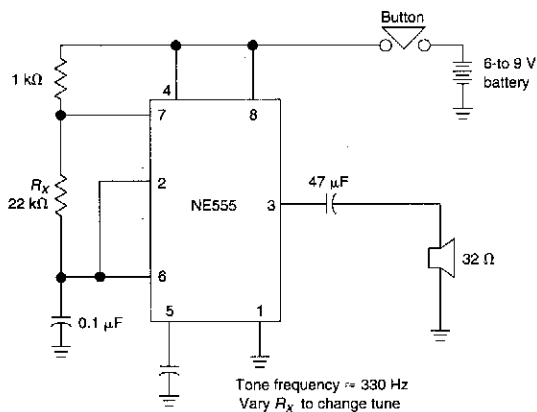
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It is often desirable for a single doorbell to be operated by two buttons, for instance, one at the front door and the other at the back door.

The additional button, S2 in series with the break contact of relay Re1, is connected in parallel with the original bell-push, S1. When S2 is pressed, the bell voltage is rectified by D1 and smoothed by C1. After a time,  $t = R_1 R_2 C_2$ , the direct voltage across C2 has risen to a level here T1 switches on. Relay Re1 is then energized and its contact breaks the circuit of S2 so that the bell stops ringing. After a short time, C1 and C2 are discharged, the relay returns to its quiescent state and the bell rings again.

In this way, S1 will cause the bell to ring continuously, while S2 makes it ring in short bursts, so that it is immediately clear which button is pushed.

## ELECTRONIC DOOR BUZZER



This simple electronic door buzzer draws no quiescent current. When S1 is pressed the speaker produces a tone. The NE555 (U1) generates signal.

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## Fax Circuit

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of the circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Fax Mate

# FAX MATE

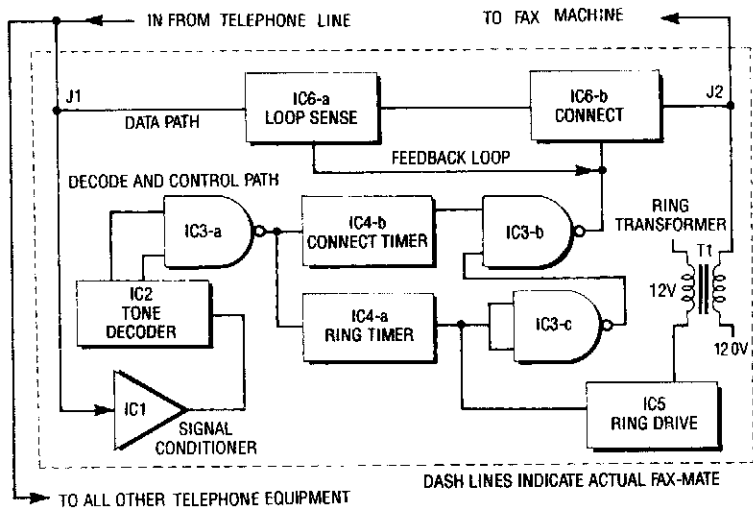


FIG. 1—BLOCK DIAGRAM for the Fax-Mate. The upper path is for data, and the lower one is the decode and control path.

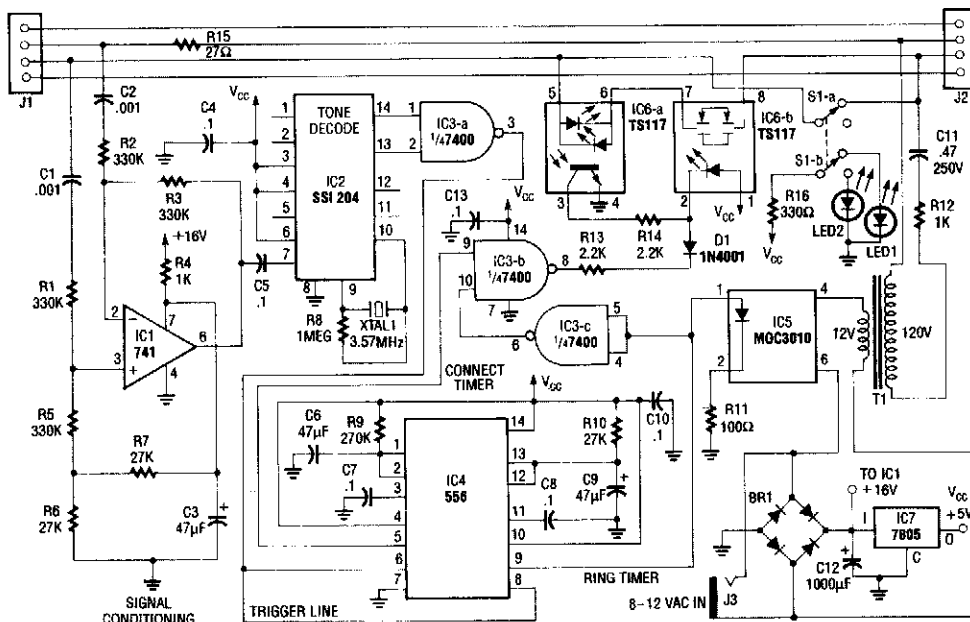


FIG. 2—SCHEMATIC for the Fax-Mate. Notice how it closely resembles the block diagram.

## **FAX MATE(Cont.)**

The fax mate separates the fax machine from the phone line, rings the fax machine on command, connects equipment to incoming lines, and senses the end of the message. When a touch tone pound signal (#) is detected, it actuates a ring greater and driver for the fax machine (the # signal is not used in ordinary dialing). The connect signal is inhibited for this time (ring cycle). IC46 runs for 15 s and drives part of the connect IC. Then the fax or modem has fired up and is sending out a handshake tone. IC6 connects the equipment for initial hookup and keeps the connect section powered. When the fax machine hangs up, the loop current detector turns off, and resets the system.

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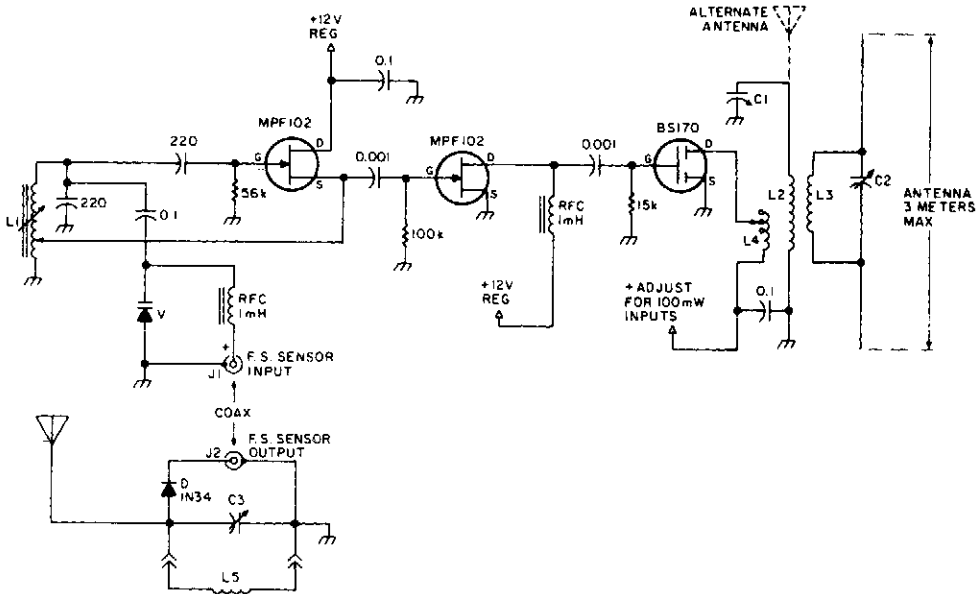
# Field-Strength Meter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Remote Field Strength Meter  
Amplified Field Strength Meter  
Simple Amplified Field Strength Meter  
Simple Field Strength Meter I  
Simple Field Strength Meter II

## REMOTE FIELD STRENGTH METER

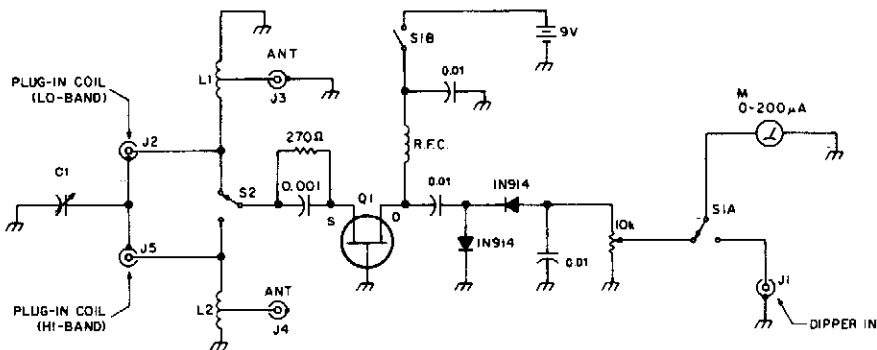


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FIG. 29-1

This field strength meter consists of a tuned crystal detector producing a dc output voltage from a transmitted signal. The dc voltage is used to shift the frequency of a transmitter of 100-mW power operating at 1650 kHz. The frequency shift is proportional to the received field strength. This unit has a range of several hundred feet and is operated under FCC part 15 rules (100-mW max power into a 2-m-long antenna between 510 and 1705 kHz).

## AMPLIFIED FIELD STRENGTH METER

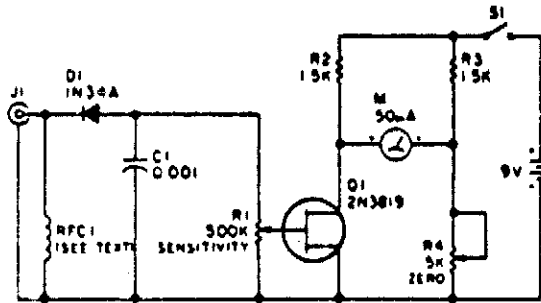


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FIG. 29-2

FET Q1 acts as an RF amplifier to boost sensitivity of the usual diode detector field strength meter.

## SIMPLE AMPLIFIED FIELD STRENGTH METER

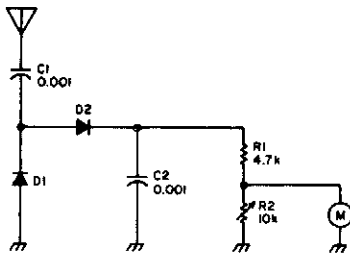


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FIG. 29-3

This circuit uses a FET as a dc amplifier in a bridge circuit. R4 is set for meter null with J1 short circuited. Any surplus 50-mA meter can serve in this circuit. RFC1 is any suitable RF choke for the band in use. A 2.5-mH RF choke will do for broadband operation. R1 is a sensitivity control. The antenna can be any small whip antenna (2 ft or less).

## SIMPLE FIELD STRENGTH METER I

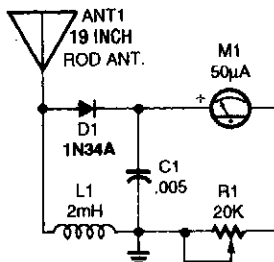


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FIG. 29-4

Useful for checking transmitters and antennas, this circuit uses a voltage-doubling detector D1 and D2 (HP 5082-2800 hot carrier types). D1 and D2 can also be type 1N34 or 1N82. M is a 100-mA meter movement.

## SIMPLE FIELD STRENGTH METER II



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FIG. 29-5

This simple field-strength meter provides a cheap way to monitor an amateur radio or CB transmitter (or even an antenna system) for maximum output.



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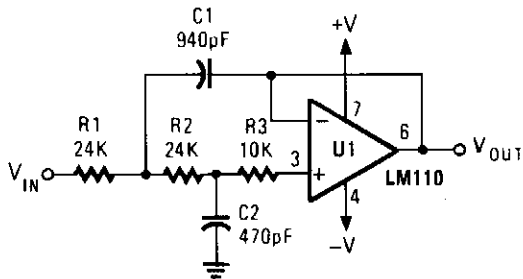
## Filter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

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| Active Low-Pass Filter                    | Audio Notch Filter for Shortwave Receivers                       |
| High Q Notch Filter                       | Active Second-Order Bandpass Filter                              |
| Universal Stale Variable Filter           | Variable-Frequency Audio BP Filter                               |
| Adjustable Q Notch Filter                 | Variable Low-Pass Filter   |
| Fourth Order High-Pass Butterworth Filter | Variable High-Pass Filter  |
| Tunable Notch Filter                      | 1-mV Offset, Clock-Tunable,<br>Monolithic 5-Pole Low-Pass Filter |
| High Q Bandpass Filter                    | Unity-Gain Second-Order High-Pass Filter                         |
| Simulated Inductor                        | Active Unity-Gain Second-Order Low-Pass Filter                   |
| Bandpass Filter                           | Active Fourth-Order High-Pass Filter for 50 Hz                   |
| Fourth Order Low-Pass Butterworth Filter  | Simple High-Pass (HP) Active Filter for 1 kHz                    |
| Active High-Pass Filter                   | Equal Second-Order HP Filter                                     |
| 400-Hz Low-Pass Butterworth Filter        | Second-Order Low-Pass Filter for 10 kHz                          |
| Bandpass Filter                           | Simple Low-Pass (LP) Active Filter for 1 kHz                     |
| Active Low-Pass RC Filter                 | Current-Driven Sallen Key Filter                                 |
| Passive L Filter Configurations           | 455-kHz Narrow-Band IF Filter                                    |
| Passive Pi Filter Configurations          | Audio-Range Filter   |
| Four-Output Filter                        | BI-Quad RC Bandpass Filter                                       |
| Variable Q Filter for 400 Hz              | Passive T Filter Configurations                                  |
| Twin T Notch Filter for 1 kHz             | Full-Wave Rectifier/Averaging Filter                             |
| Variable Bandpass Audio Filter            | 1-kHz Tone Filter  |
| Active Fourth-Order Low-Pass Filter       |  |

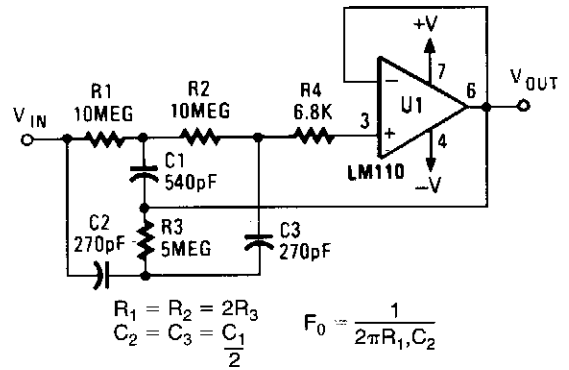
### ACTIVE LOW-PASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-1

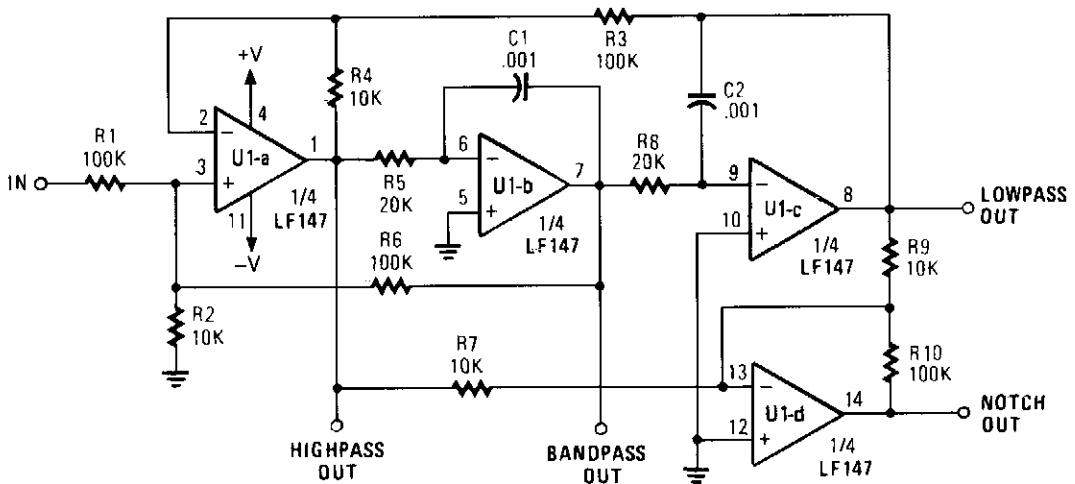
### HIGH Q NOTCH FILTER



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FIG. 30-2

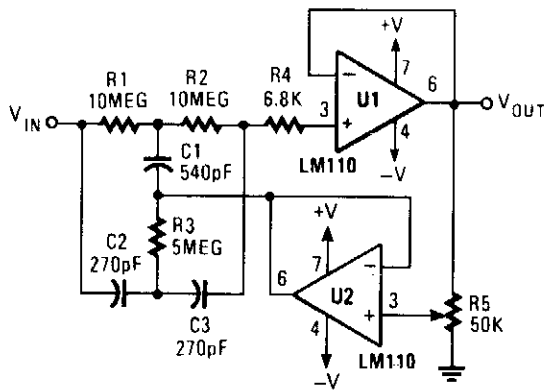
### UNIVERSAL STATE VARIABLE FILTER



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FIG. 30-3

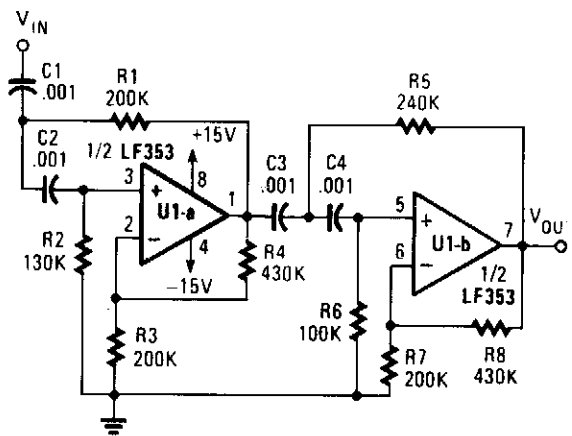
### ADJUSTABLE Q NOTCH FILTER



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FIG. 30-4

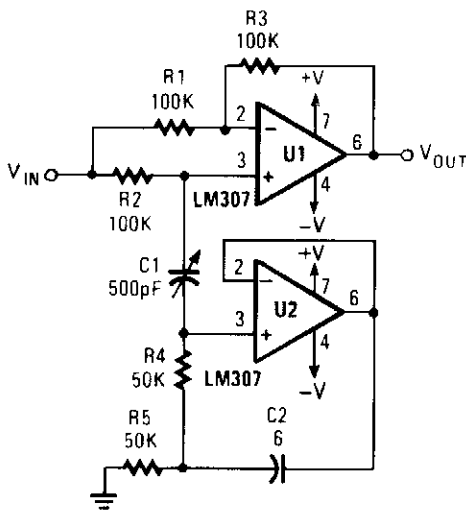
### FOURTH ORDER HIGH-PASS BUTTERWORTH FILTER



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FIG. 30-5

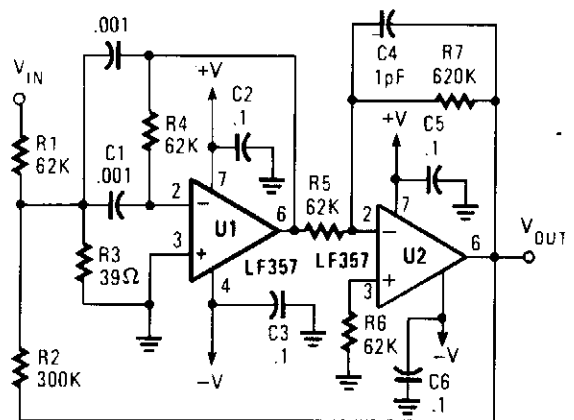
### TUNABLE NOTCH FILTER



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FIG. 30-6

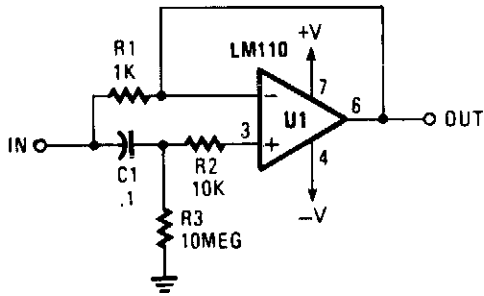
### HIGH Q BANDPASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-7

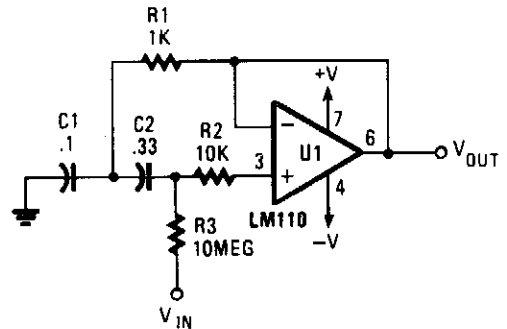
### SIMULATED INDUCTOR



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FIG. 30-8

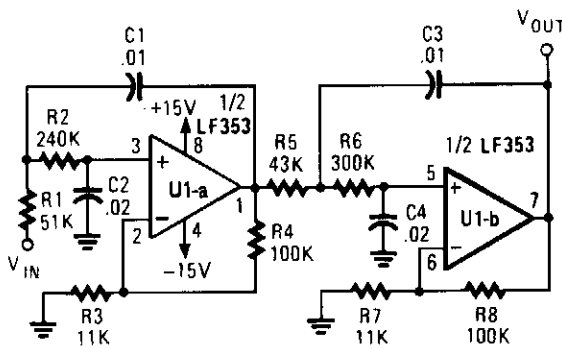
### BANDPASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-9

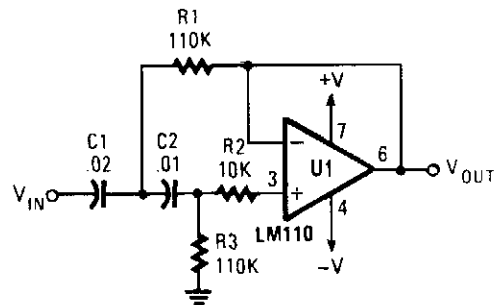
### FOURTH ORDER LOW-PASS BUTTERWORTH FILTER



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FIG. 30-10

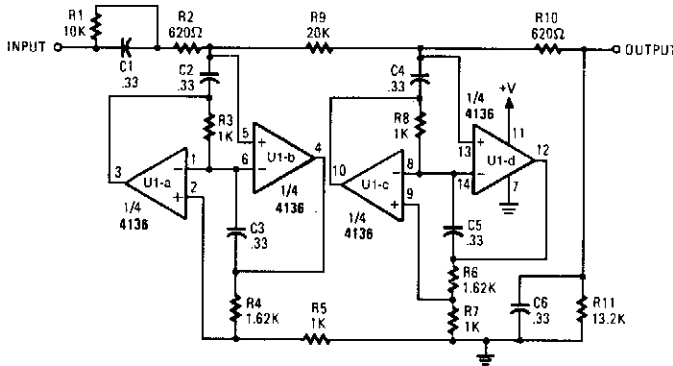
### ACTIVE HIGH-PASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-11

## 400-Hz LOW-PASS BUTTERWORTH FILTER

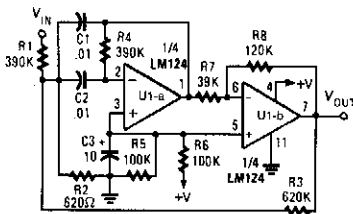


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FIG. 30-12

Designed for a 400-Hz cutoff frequency, the cutoff can be scaled by varying the element values proportionally to frequency

### BANDPASS FILTER



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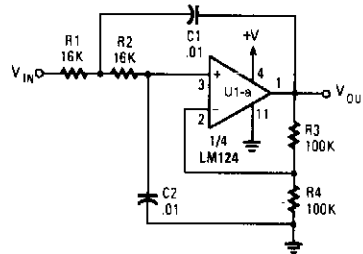
FIG. 30-13

Appropriate center frequency of this circuit is:

$$f_c = \frac{1}{R_4 C_2}$$

$$C_1 = C_2, R_1 = R_4$$

### ACTIVE LOW-PASS RC FILTER

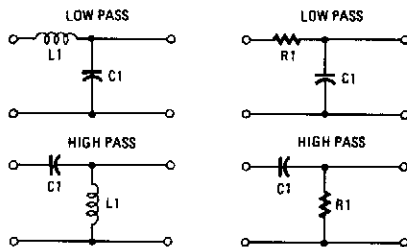


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FIG. 30-14

The circuit shown has a cutoff frequency at about 1 kHz. R1, R2, C1, and C2 can be scaled to change this to any other desired frequency.

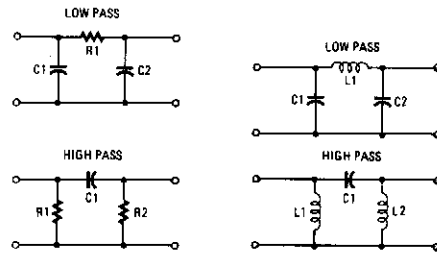
### PASSIVE L FILTER CONFIGURATIONS



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FIG. 30-15

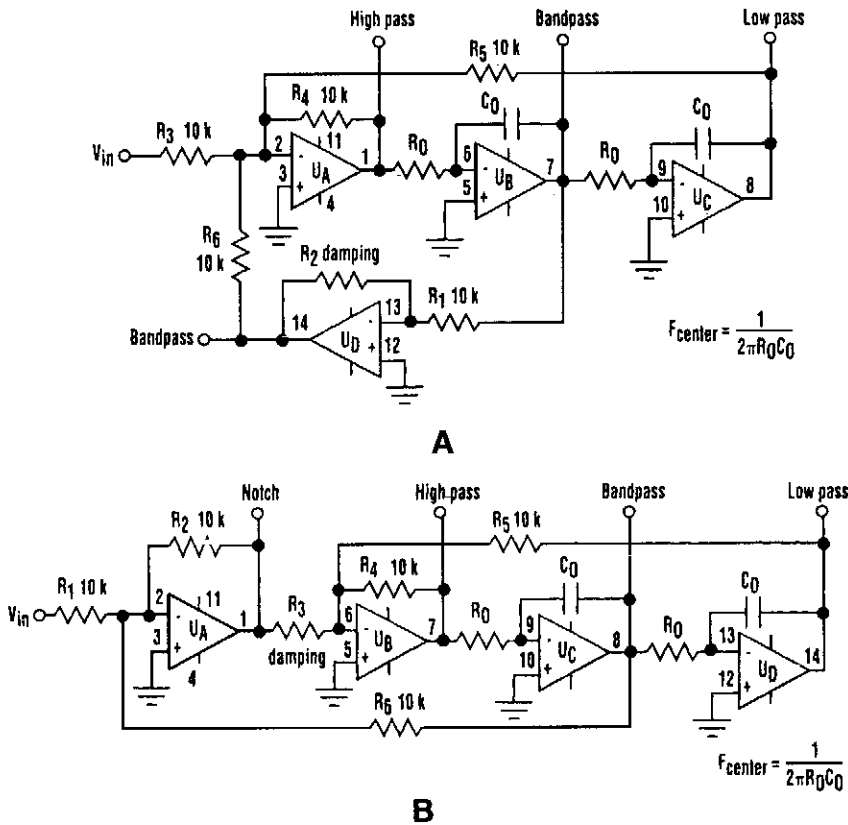
### PASSIVE PI FILTER CONFIGURATIONS



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FIG. 30-16

## FOUR-OUTPUT FILTER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

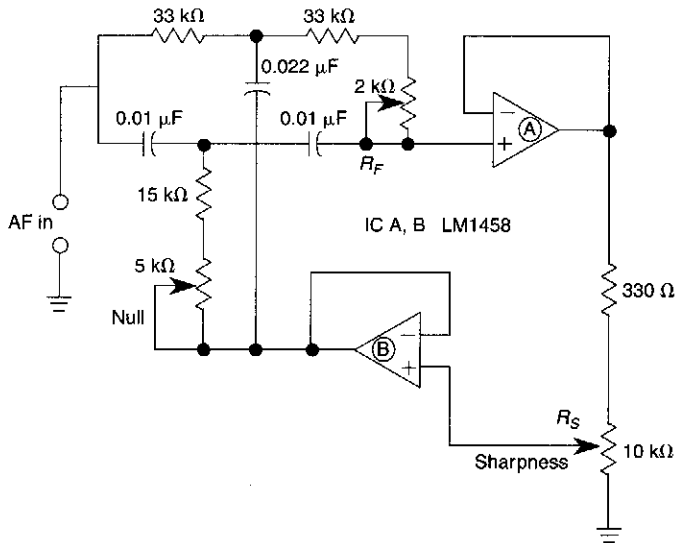
FIG. 30-17

The classic “state-variable” (two-integrator) filter (see Fig. A) is famous for its insensitivity to device parameter tolerances, as well as its ability to provide three simultaneous separate outputs: high pass, bandpass, and low pass. These advantages often offset the fact that a quad operational amplifier is needed to implement the circuit.

A modification of the classic scheme that applies the input voltage via amplifier  $U_D$ , rather than  $U_A$  provides a bandpass output with a fixed peak gain that doesn't depend on the  $Q$  of the filter. It was found by using that configuration, a fourth notch-filter output can be obtained if  $R_1 = R_6$  (see Fig. B).

If  $R_1 = R_6 = R_2$ , the gains of both the notch and bandpass outputs are unity, regardless of the  $Q$  factor, as determined by  $R_3$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ , and  $R_6$ . The resonant (or cutoff) frequency is given by  $\omega_c = 1/R_0 \times C_0$ . Depending on the capacitor values and frequency  $\omega$ , resistance  $R_0$  might also share the same monolithic network for maximum space economy. As with the classic configuration, resonant frequency  $\omega_c$  can be electrically controlled by switching resistors  $R_0$ , or by using analog multipliers in series with the integrators.

### VARIABLE Q FILTER FOR 400 Hz

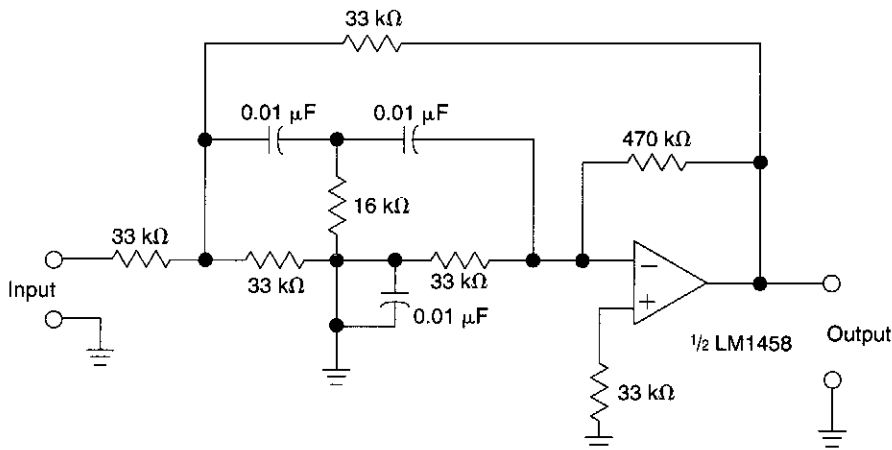


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FIG. 30-18

A bootstrapped twin T notch filter in this circuit can yield an effective  $Q$  of up to 10.  $R_S$  adjusts the feedback, hence the  $Q$ . Values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  can be changed to alter the frequency.  $R_F$  is a fine-tune null control.

### TWIN T NOTCH FILTER FOR 1 kHz

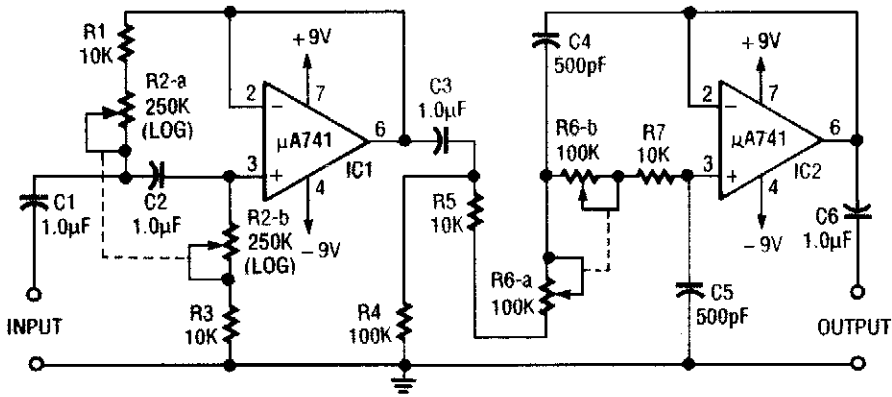


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FIG. 30-19

The circuit shown uses a twin T notch filter and an amplifier. Used to remove unwanted frequency.

### VARIABLE BANDPASS AUDIO FILTER

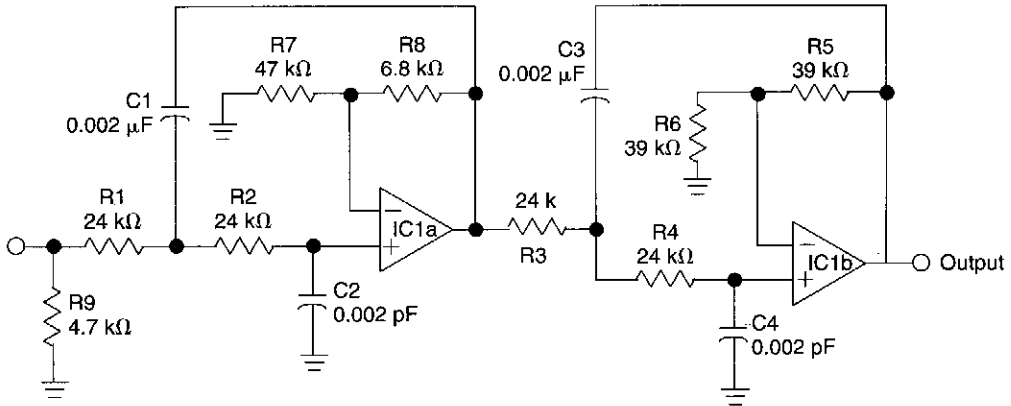


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FIG. 30-20

This circuit is a variable audio bandpass filter that has a low cutoff variable from about 25 Hz to 700 Hz and a high cutoff variable from 2.5 kHz to over 20 kHz. Rolloff is 12 dB/octave on both high and low ends. R2-a-b and R6-a-b are ganged potentiometers for setting lower and upper cutoff frequencies, respectively.

### ACTIVE FOURTH-ORDER LOW-PASS FILTER



IC1 a, b op amp = LM1458

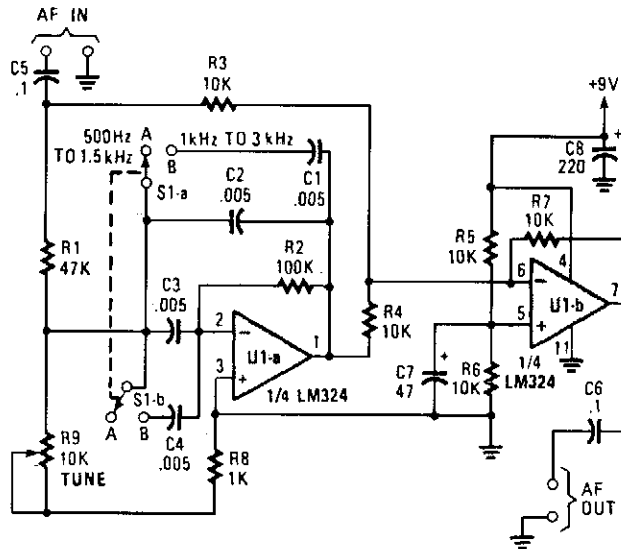
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FIG. 30-21

This circuit is a fourth-order low-pass filter with values for kHz. The values of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , and  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $C_3$  and  $C_4$  can be scaled for operation at other frequencies. Roll-off is 24 dB/octave.



## AUDIO NOTCH FILTER FOR SHORTWAVE RECEIVERS

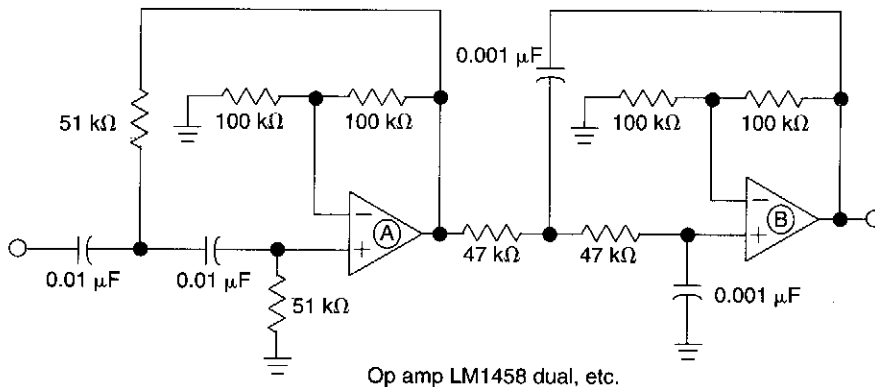


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FIG. 30-22

The notch filter can be added to just about any receiver to attenuate a single frequency by more than 30 dB. This filter should be handy for reducing heterodynes and whistles.

## ACTIVE SECOND-ORDER BANDPASS FILTER FOR SPEECH RANGE



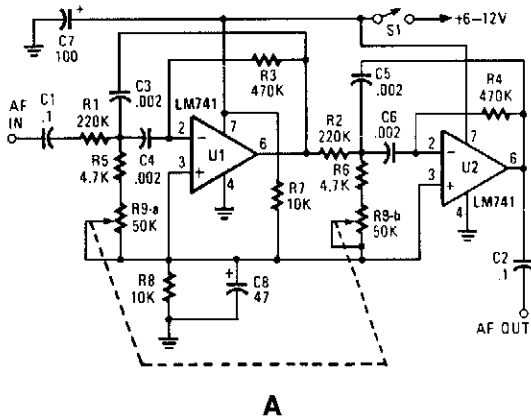
Op amp LM1458 dual, etc.

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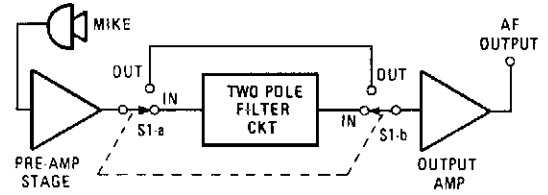
FIG. 30-23

This filter circuit which uses LM1458 or similar op amp has a response of 300 Hz to 3.4 kHz with 12 dB/octave roll-off outside the pass band. Section A is the high-pass one, followed by low-pass section B. Values of either section can be scaled to alter the pass band.

## VARIABLE-FREQUENCY AUDIO BP FILTER



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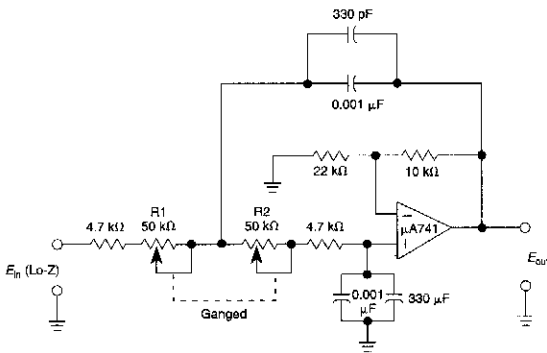
The filter can be wired into an existing amplifier by inserting the filter circuit between the amp's preamp and output stages as shown here.

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FIG. 30-24

This variable-frequency, audio bandpass filter is built around two 741 op amps that are connected in cascade. Two 741 op amps are configured as identical RC active filters and are connected in cascade for better selectivity. The filter's tuning range is from 500-Hz to 1500 Hz. The overall voltage gain is slightly greater than 1 and the filter's is about 5. The circuit can handle input signals of 4 V peak-to-peak without being overdriven. The circuit's input impedance is over 200 k $\Omega$  and its output impedance is less than 1 k $\Omega$ .

## VARIABLE LOW-PASS FILTER

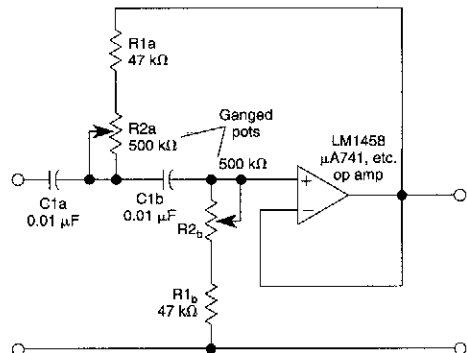


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FIG. 30-25

This second-order low-pass filter uses a 741 op amp and is tuneable from 2.5 kHz to 25 kHz. This circuit is useful in audio and tone control applications. R1 and 2 are ganged potentiometers.

## VARIABLE HIGH-PASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-26

This second order filter which should prove useful in audio applications uses an LM1458 or other similar of op amp. It is tuneable from 30 to 300 Hz cutoff. R2a, b are ganged log-taper potentiometers.

## 1-mV OFFSET, CLOCK-TUNABLE, MONOLITHIC 5-POLE LOW-PASS FILTER

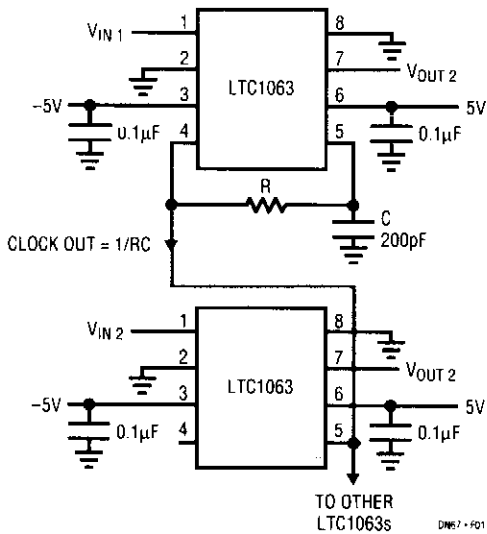


FIG. 30-27

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORP.

The LTC1063 is the first monolithic low-pass filter that simultaneously offers outstanding dc and ac performance. It features internal or external clock tunability, cutoff frequencies up to 50 kHz, 1-mV typical output dc offset, and a dynamic range in excess of 12 bits for over a decade of input voltage.

The LTC1063 approximates a 5-pole Butterworth low-pass filter. The unique internal architecture of the filter allows outstanding amplitude matching from device to device. Typical matching ranges from 0.01 dB-at 25% of the filter passband to 0.05 dB at 50% of the filter passband.

An internal or external clock programs the filter's cutoff frequency. The clock-to-cutoff frequency ratio is 100:1. In the absence of an external clock, the LTC1063's internal precision oscillator can be used. An external resistor and capacitor set the device's internal clock frequency.

### UNITY-GAIN SECOND-ORDER HIGH-PASS FILTER

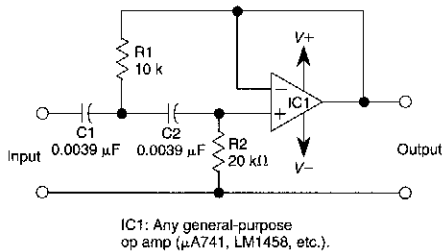


FIG. 30-28

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This filter circuit has a cutoff frequency of 2900 Hz with the values shown.

$$f_{\text{cutoff}} = \frac{1}{2.83\pi RC}$$

$$R = R_1$$

$$R_2 = 2R_1$$

$$C = C_1 = C_2$$

### ACTIVE UNITY-GAIN SECOND-ORDER LOW-PASS FILTER

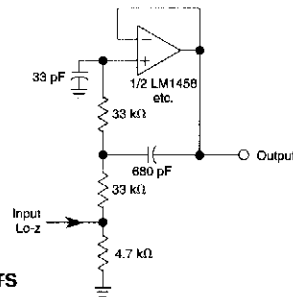


FIG. 30-29

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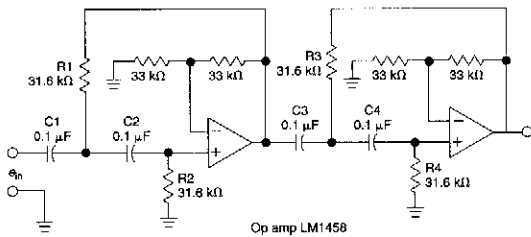
This second-order Butterworth filter cuts off near 10 kHz. The values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  can be changed to alter the frequency, or else calculated from the formula.

$$f_{\text{cutoff}} = \frac{1}{2.83\pi RC}$$

$$C_1 = 2C_2$$

$$R_2 = R_3 = R$$

## ACTIVE FOURTH-ORDER HIGH-PASS FILTER FOR 50 Hz

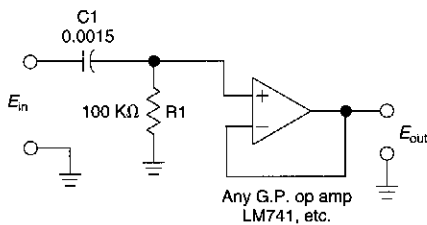


This circuit which uses an LM1458 or similar op amp is a fourth-order high-pass filter with a 24 dB/octave roll-off. The values of  $R_1/R_2$ ,  $R_3/R_4$ ,  $C_1/C_2$ ,  $C_3/C_4$  can be scaled to suit other cutoff frequencies.

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FIG. 30-30

### SIMPLE HIGH-PASS (HP) ACTIVE FILTER FOR 1 kHz

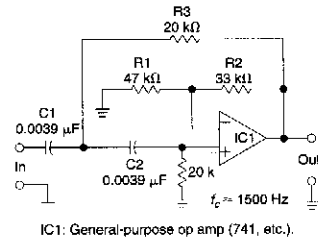


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FIG. 30-31

This simple 1 kHz filter uses a voltage follower and an RC section for a filter element. For other frequencies  $f_3$  dB =  $1/6.28 R_1 C_1$ . The response drops 6 dB/octave below  $f_3$  dB.

### EQUAL COMPONENTS SECOND-ORDER HP FILTER



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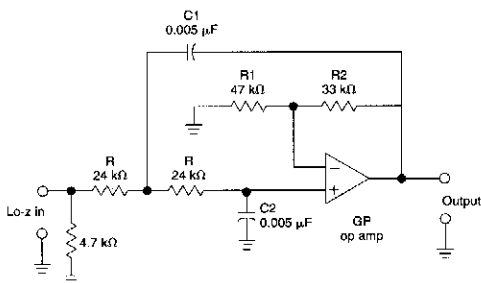
FIG. 30-32

This filter circuit uses equal value components and is shown for 1500 Hz. The values can be scaled for other frequencies.

$$f_{\text{cutoff}} = \frac{1}{2.83\pi RC}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R &= R_1 \\ R_2 &= 2R_1 \\ C &= C_1 = C_2 \end{aligned}$$

### SECOND-ORDER LOW-PASS FILTER FOR 10 kHz



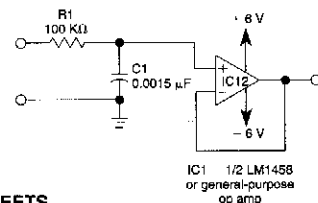
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FIG. 30-33

This circuit uses equal value capacitors. The cutoff frequency ( $f_c$ ) is

$$f_c = \frac{1}{2.83\pi RC}$$

### SIMPLE LOW-PASS (LP) ACTIVE FILTER FOR 1 kHz

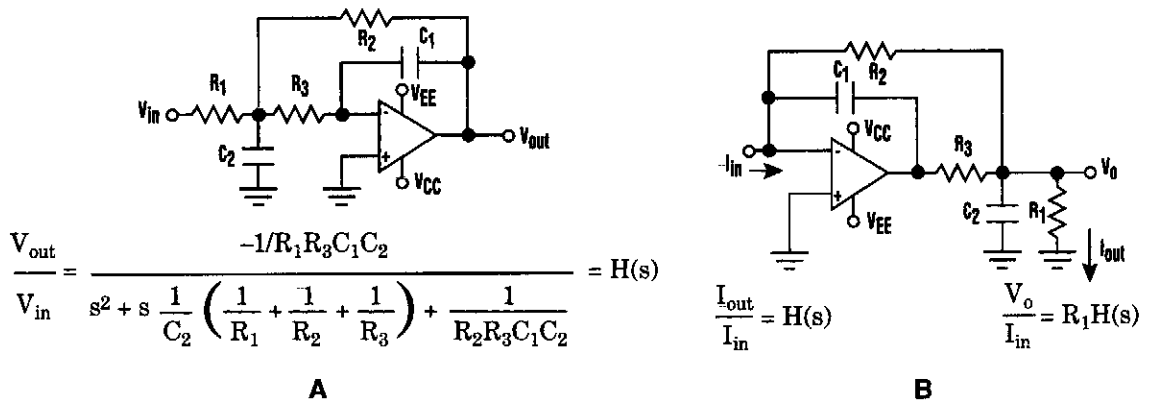


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FIG. 30-34

This simple filter uses an RC section for a filter element, with a voltage follower for other frequencies  $f_3$  dB =  $1/6.28 R_1 C_1$ . Response drops 6 dB/octave above  $f_3$  dB.

## CURRENT-DRIVEN SALLEN KEY FILTER

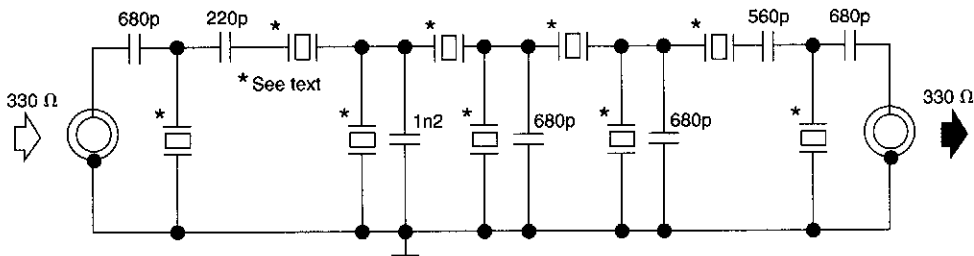


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FIG. 30-35

The low-pass Sallen-Key filter is staple for designers because it contains few components (A). By redesigning the filter, a current to voltage conversion can be avoided when the input signal to be filtered is in current form (B).

## 455-KHz NARROW-BAND IF FILTER



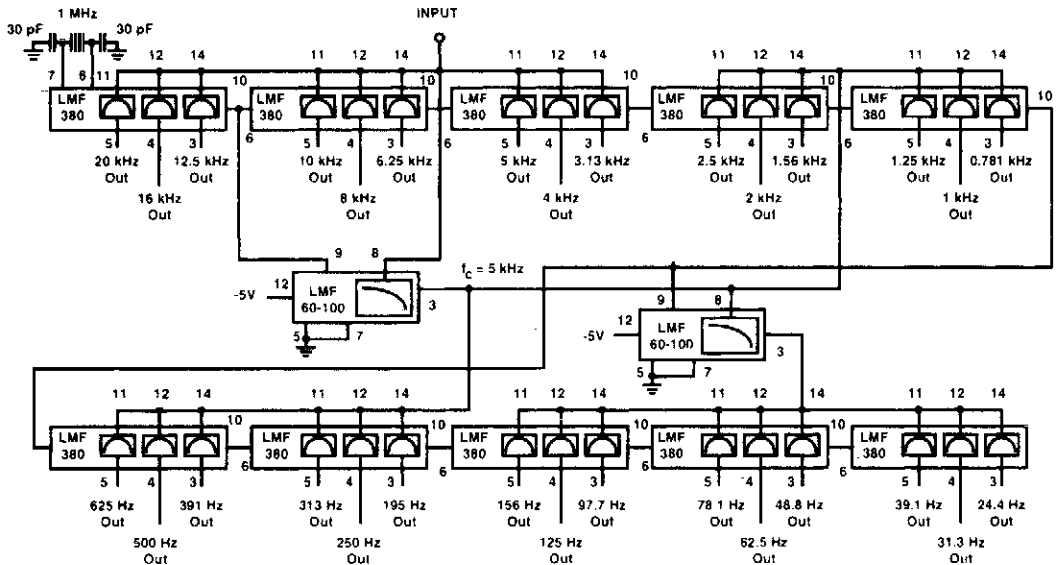
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FIG. 30-36

This filter uses five 455-kHz ceramic resonators. The impedance is 330 Ω, the bandwidth is 800 Hz, and the ultimate rejection ≥60 dB. The ceramic resonators could be replaced by crystals.

## AUDIO-RANGE FILTER

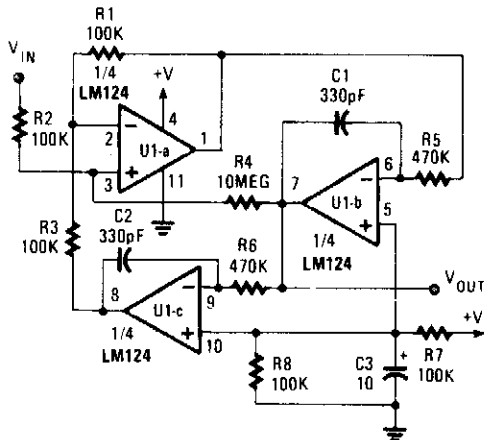


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FIG. 30-37

The LMF380 switched audio filter by National Semiconductor is used here to obtain a third-octave filter set that covers the entire audio range.

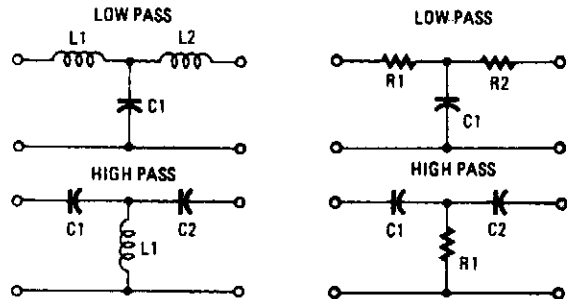
## BI-QUAD RC BANDPASS FILTER



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FIG. 30-38

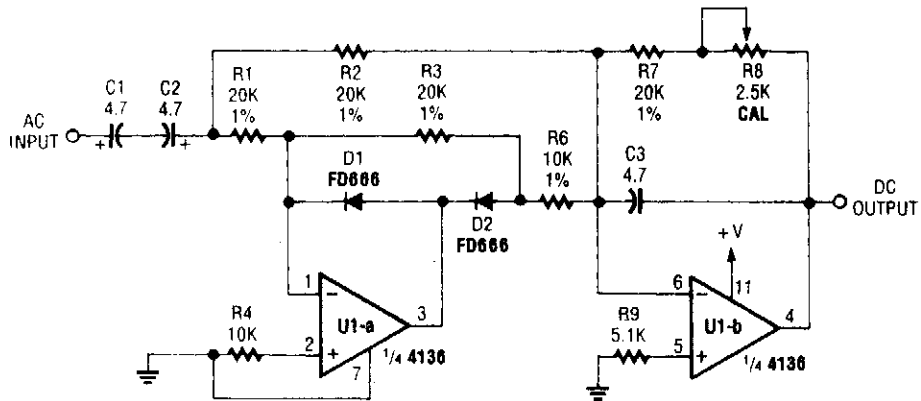
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FIG. 30-39

## FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER/AVERAGING FILTER

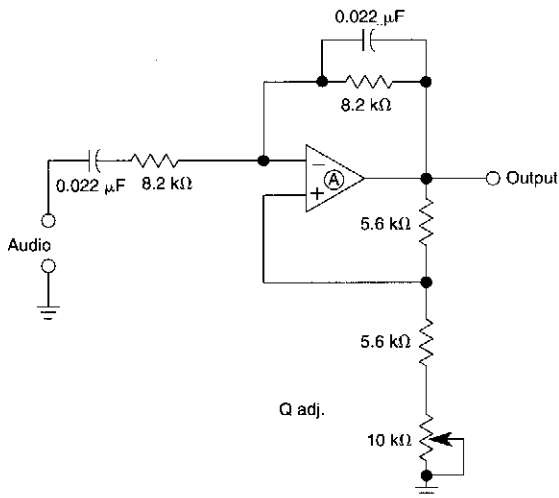


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FIG. 30-40

The input signal is rectified by D1 and D2 on amp U1-a, and fed to output amp U2. R8 is set for correct circuit calibration.

## 1-kHz TONE FILTER



Ⓐ - Most any IC op amp LM1458, LM324, etc.

The Wien-bridge based filter has a variable bandwidth and a center frequency of 900 Hz. The circuit will oscillate if the 10-kΩ pot is set too low.

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FIG. 30-41

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## Flasher Circuits

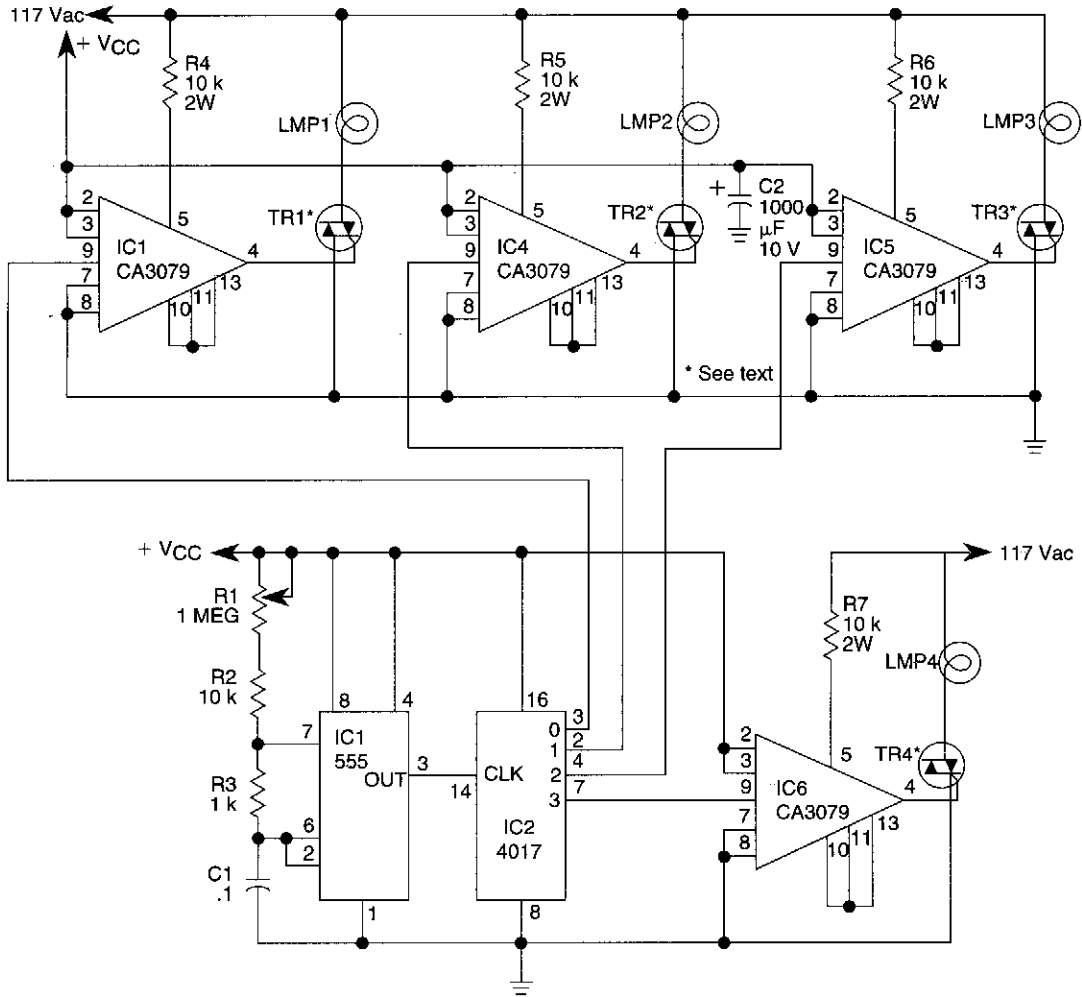
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sequential Flasher  
36 LED Flasher Driver  
LED Flashers  
Dark-Activated LED Flasher  
Super LED Flasher  
LED Flasher for 2 to 10 LEDs  
Flash Signal Alarm  
LED Christmas Tree Light Flasher



## SEQUENTIAL FLASHER



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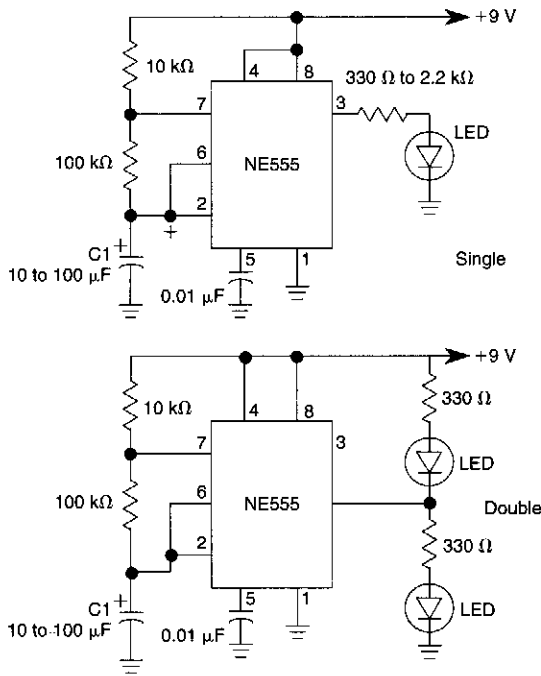
FIG. 31-1

A 555 timer, IC1, drives a 4017 CMOS decade counter. Each of the 4017's first four outputs drives a CA3079 zero-voltage switch. Pin 9 of the CA3079 is used to inhibit output from pin 4, thereby disabling the string of pulses that the IC normally delivers. Those pulses occur every 8.3 ms, i.e., at a rate of 120 Hz. Each pulse has a width of 120  $\mu$ s.

Because of the action of the CA3079, the lamps connected to the triacs turn on and off near the zero crossing of the ac waveform. Switching at that point increases lamp life by reducing an inrush of current that would happen if the lamp were turned on near the high point of the ac waveform. In addition, switching at the zero crossing reduces radio frequency interference (RFI) considerably. **Caution:** The CA3079s are driven directly from the 117-Vac power line, so use care.



## LED FLASHERS

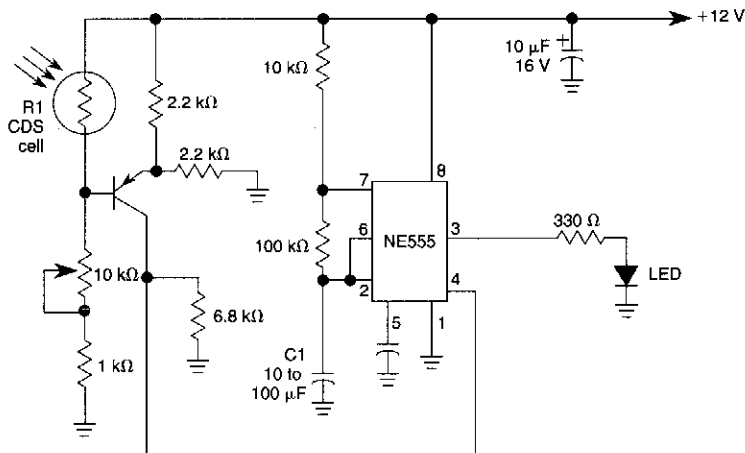


A 555 is used to switch an LED on and off. C1 determines the flash rate. Single ended (one LED) and double-ended (alternating) flashers are shown.

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FIG. 31-3

## DARK-ACTIVATED LED FLASHER

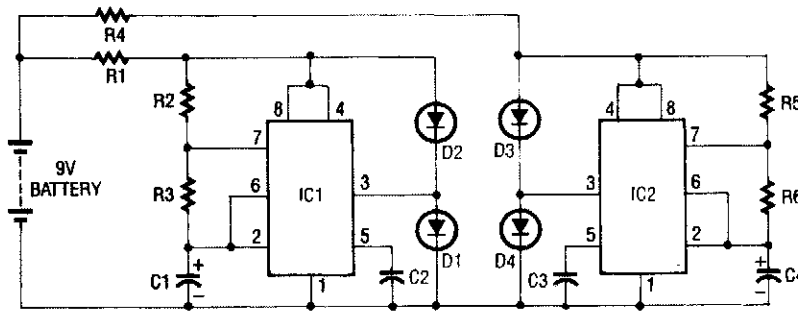


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FIG. 31-4

This circuit can be used as a small beacon or marker light, and toys or novelty items. R1 is an LDR that has  $\geq 10$  k $\Omega$  dark-resistance, or a CDS photocell. C1 determines the flash rate.

## SUPER LED FLASHER



- C1, C4 .....4.7  $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor
- C2, C3.....330 pF Disc Capacitor
- D1 ..... Yellow LED
- D2, D3 ..... Red LED
- D4 ..... Green LED
- IC1, IC2 ..... 555 Timer IC
- R1, R4 .....100 ohm Resistor
- R2, R5 ..... 82 k Resistor
- R3, R6 ..... 33 k Resistor

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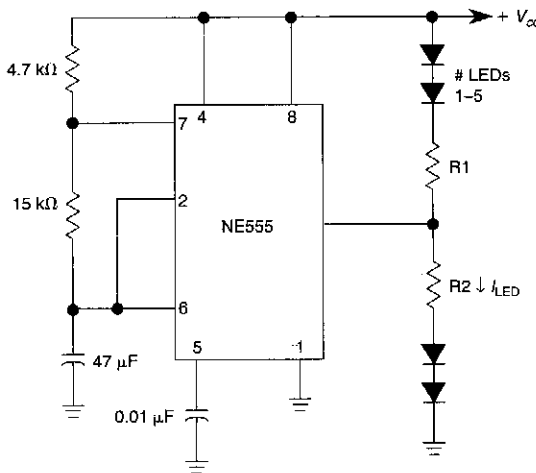
**FIG. 31-5**

The super LED flasher is actually two complete LED flasher circuits on one circuit board. The first LED flasher is made up of IC1 and LEDs D1 and D2. IC1 is a 555 timer IC configured as an astable (free-running) multivibrator with its output on pin 3.

The frequency of the 555's oscillation is controlled by R2, R3, and C1. Resistor R1 limits the input voltage to a low enough level to prevent damage to the IC. As the 555 IC oscillates, the output of pin 3 goes high (+) then low (-). When the output is high it supplies current to D1, which lights up. When it is low, pin 3 sinks current and D2 lights up. This happens because LEDs are polarity-sensitive (like all other diodes, they permit current flow in only one direction) and one lead of each LED has been connected to the respective polarity needed to light that LED.

The second LED flasher, made up of IC2 and LEDs D3 and D4, operates in the same way as the first LED flasher.

## LED FLASHER FOR 2 TO 10 LEDs



$$R_1, R_2 = \frac{V_{cc} - 2(\#LEDs)}{I_{LED}}$$

Typically  $V_{cc} = 12$  V  
 $\#LEDs = 2$   
 $I_{LED} = 30$  mA

(# LEDs 1 to 5 per side)

$$R_1, R_2 = \frac{12 - 2(2)}{0.03} = 267 \Omega$$

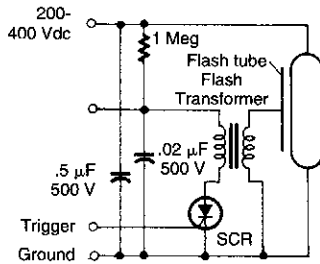
Use 270  $\Omega$

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**FIG. 31-6**

This LED flasher has double-ended output connection. The circuit can be used with 1 to 5 LEDs on each side as indicated.

## FLASH SIGNAL ALARM



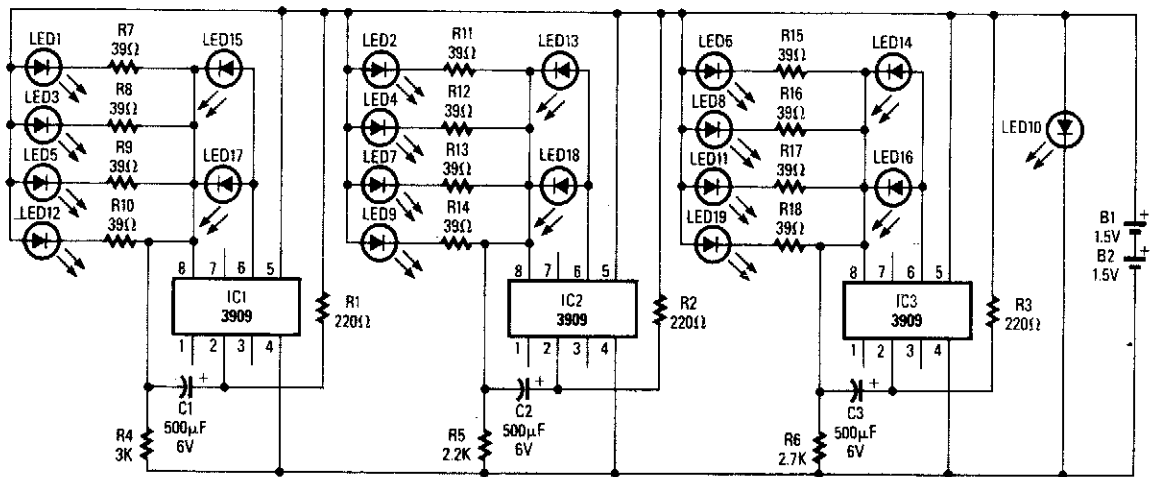
1. Choose an SCR with the proper power ratings
2. Be careful since high voltages are present at the flash tube

This circuit is useful if you need a low-energy flashing alarm. The 200 to 400-dc supply should have enough internal resistance to charge the 0.5  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor between flashes, about 2 or 3 time constants, which means about 500 k $\Omega$  to 1 M $\Omega$  for a 1-s rate. Use lower values for higher rates.

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FIG 31-7

## LED CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHT FLASHER



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FIG. 31-8

Three individual flashing circuits that use an LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator IC create the appearance of a pseudo-random firing order. The combination of  $C_1/R_4$ ,  $C_2/R_5$ , and  $C_3/R_6$  control the blink rate, which is between 0.3 and 0.8 s, and the inherent wide tolerance range (-20% to +80%) of standard electrolytic capacitors add to the irregularities of the blink cycles. The continuous current drain is about 10 mA; however, if you decrease the values of  $R_4$  through  $R_6$  or  $C_1$  through  $C_3$  in order to increase the blink rate, the current will then increase proportionally.

Note in particular that external current-limiting resistors aren't needed for LED13 through LED18; the resistors are built into the ICs. LED10, which serves as the tree's "star," is a special kind of flashing LED that blinks continuously at a fixed rate.

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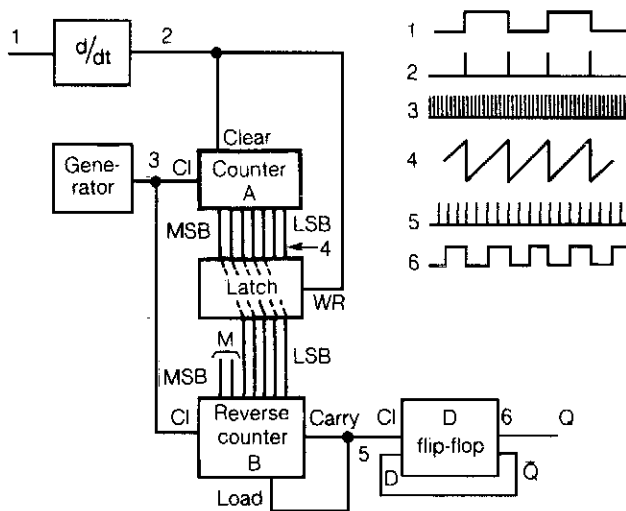
## Frequency Multiplier Circuit

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The source of the following circuit is contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of the circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Frequency Multiplier Without PLL

## FREQUENCY MULTIPLIER WITHOUT PLL



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FIG. 32-1

An input rectangular signal is differentiated and short impulses are formed from its edges. These impulses write the content of counter A to a latch that clears the counter after a very short time. Counter A counts impulses of the frequency  $f_o$  that are much greater than that of the input signal. The pulses come from an impulse generator. Thus, the number, which is written to the latch, expresses the number of these impulses between the edges of the input signal. The impulses from the same generator pass to (reverse) counter B. The carry impulse loads the content of the latch to counter B. The latch is connected with the reverse counter such that the number written to this counter is  $2M$  times smaller than the number introduced to the latch. This can be readily achieved by omitting  $M$  most significant bites of counter B. Because the number loaded to counter B is  $2M$  times smaller than the number in the latch, the carry impulses of counter B have frequency  $2M$  times greater than the frequency of the impulses at the output of the differentiator. The carry impulses are fed to a D flip-flop, which divides their frequency by two. In this way, the output frequency is  $2M$  greater than input frequency  $f_o$  as long as the frequency of impulse generator  $f_g$  is much greater than  $2Mf_o$ .

# 33

## Function and Signal Generator Circuits

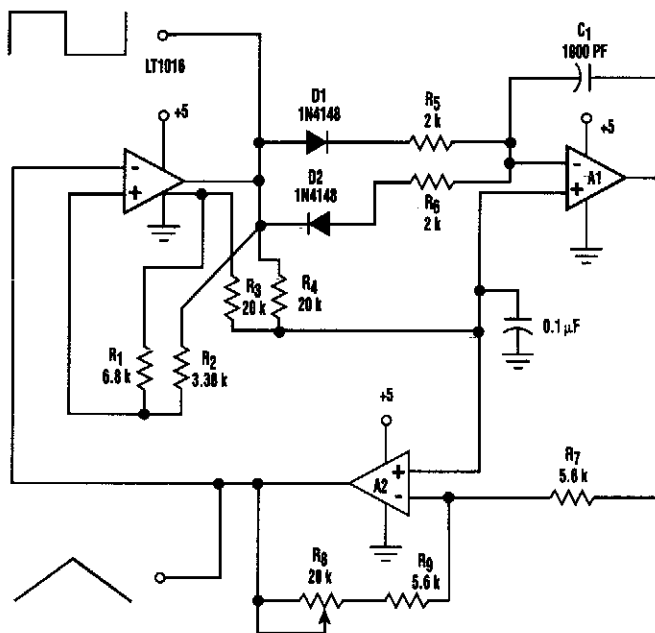
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- Function Generator
- 100-dB Dynamic-Range Log Generator
- Function Generator
- Fast Logarithm Generator
- Triangle-Wave Generator
- 555-Based Ramp Generator
- Triggered Sawtooth Generator
- Signal Generator
- Transistorized Schmitt Trigger
- Linear Sawtooth Generator
- Capacitance Multiplier
- Triangle-Wave Oscillator
- Clock-Driven Triangle-Wave Generator
- Triangle- and Square-Wave Generator
- Root Extractor



## FUNCTION GENERATOR

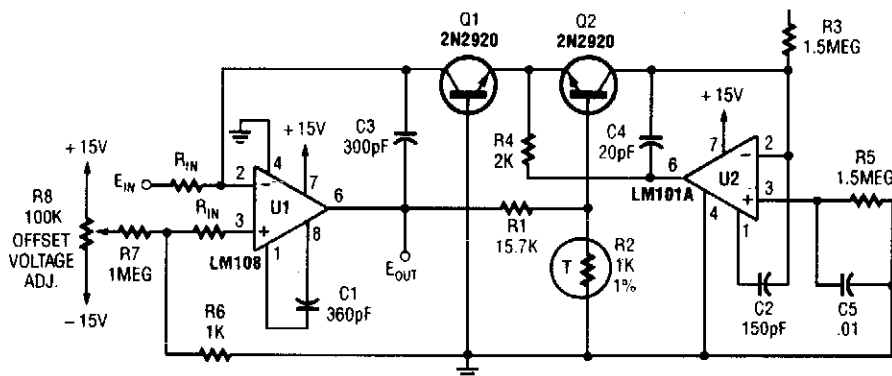


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 33-1

This function generator, based on an LT1016 high-speed comparator, will generate from a single +5-V supply. The slow rate of the op amps used determines the maximum useable frequency of this circuit.

## 100-dB DYNAMIC-RANGE LOG GENERATOR

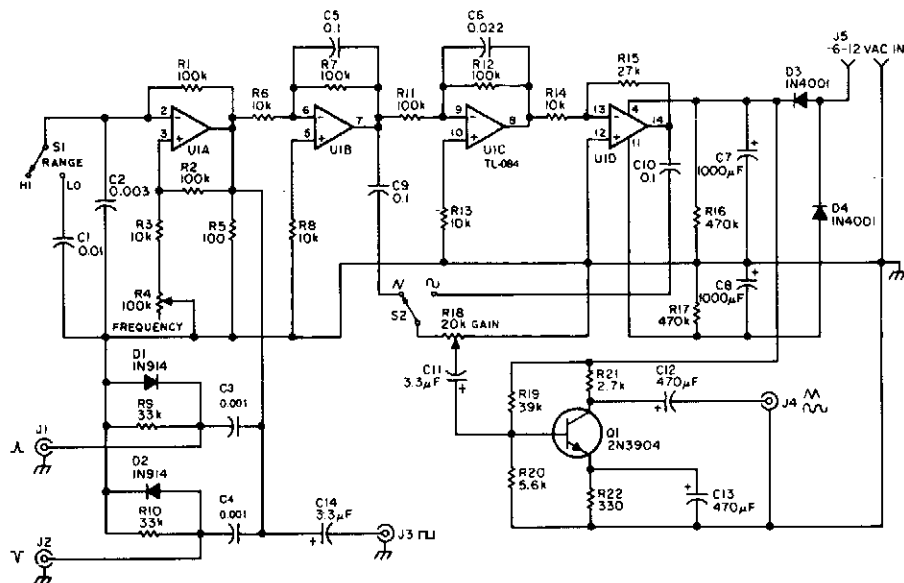


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FIG. 33-2

$E_{OUT} = \text{constant} \times (\text{Log } E_{IN})$ . This circuit has 100-dB dynamic range, which is five decades of voltage change at the input.

## FUNCTION GENERATOR

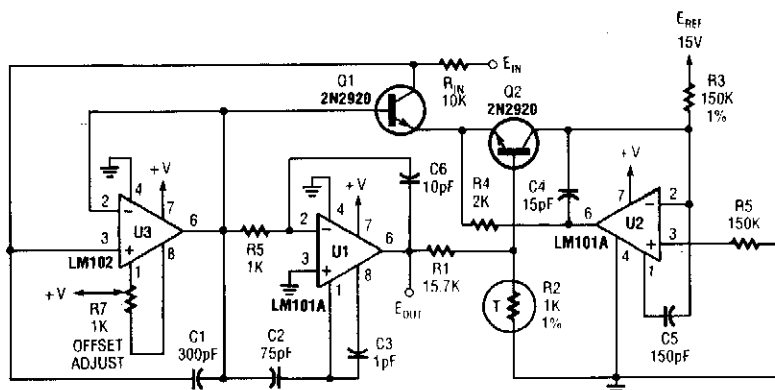


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FIG. 33-3

A quad op amp makes up the heart of this function generator. U1-a generates a square wave, and outputs this to J3. J1 and J2 are pulse outputs obtained by differentiating the square wave. Integrator U1-b generates a triangle-wave shaper to obtain a sine wave. Q1 is an output amplifier.

## FAST LOGARITHM GENERATOR

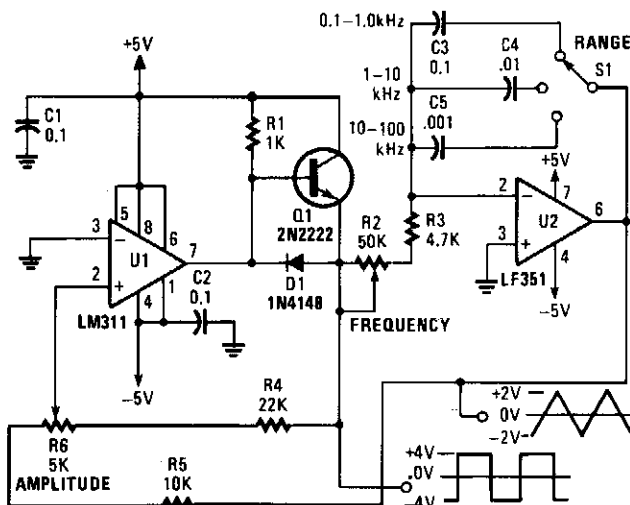


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FIG. 33-4

In this circuit,  $E_{OUT} = (\text{constant}) \times \log E_{IN}$ . The circuit should be useable with op amps other than the ones illustrated.

## TRIANGLE-WAVE GENERATOR

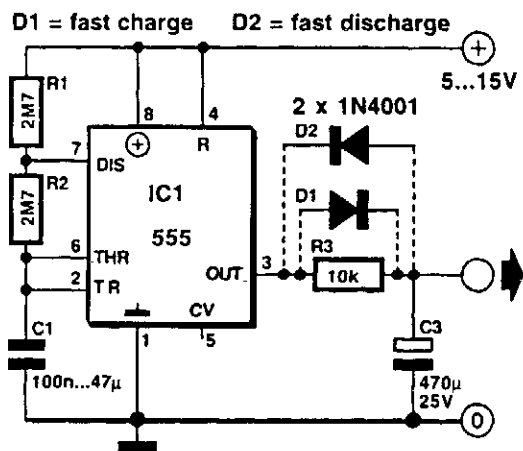


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FIG. 33-5

This is a simple triangle-wave generator using two IC devices and a transistor. The triangle wave is used as feedback to the square-wave generator. S1 allows range switching in three ranges from 100 Hz to 100 kHz. Extra positions could be used to extend the range to lower frequencies, using larger values of capacitance.

## 555-BASED RAMP GENERATOR

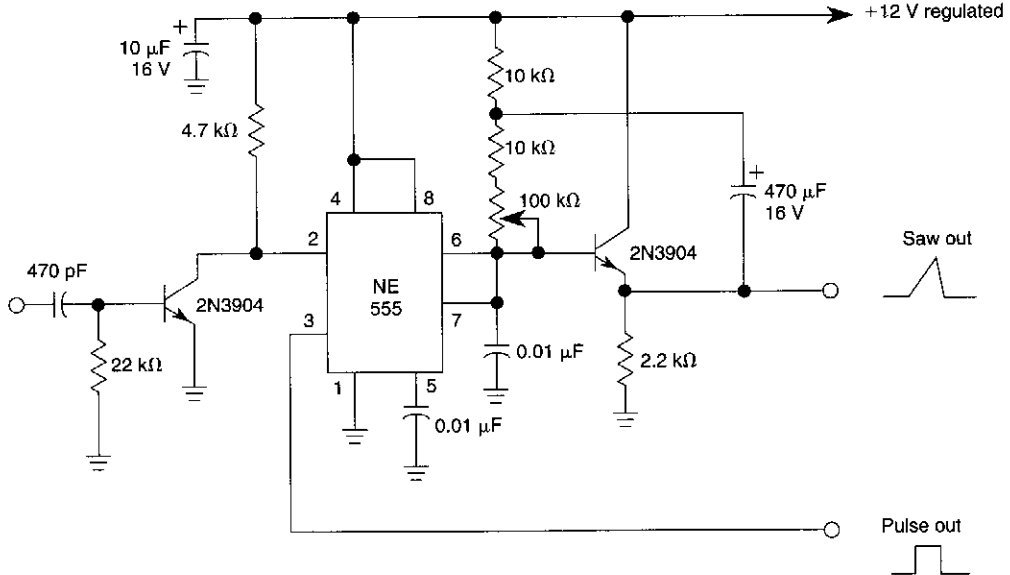


This circuit is used to generate a ramp voltage for tuning a radio receiver. An NE555, running at about 0.1 Hz, is used as an astable multivibrator.

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FIG. 33-6

## TRIGGERED SAWTOOTH GENERATOR

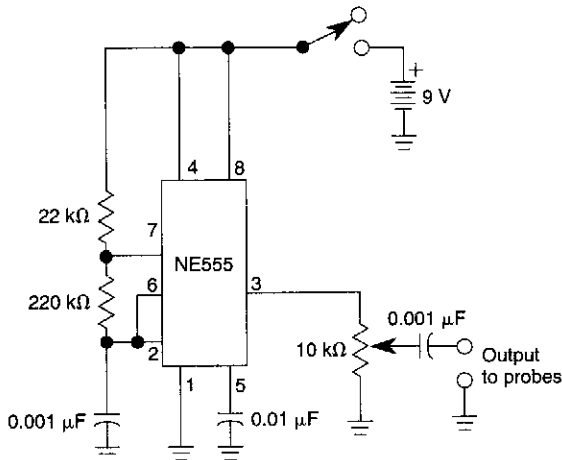


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FIG. 33-7

Two 2N3904 transistors and a 555 form a triggered sawtooth generator. A sawtooth or other rising voltage input provides a pulse output when the trigger point is reached.

### SIGNAL GENERATOR

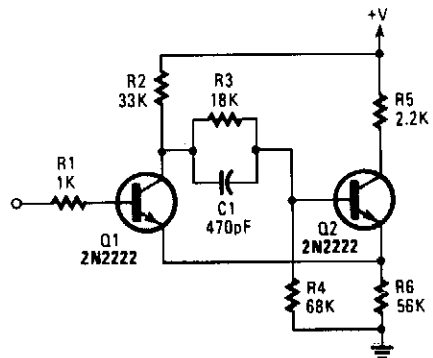


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FIG. 33-8

This simple oscillator is rich in harmonics which make this circuit useful for signal tracing applications.

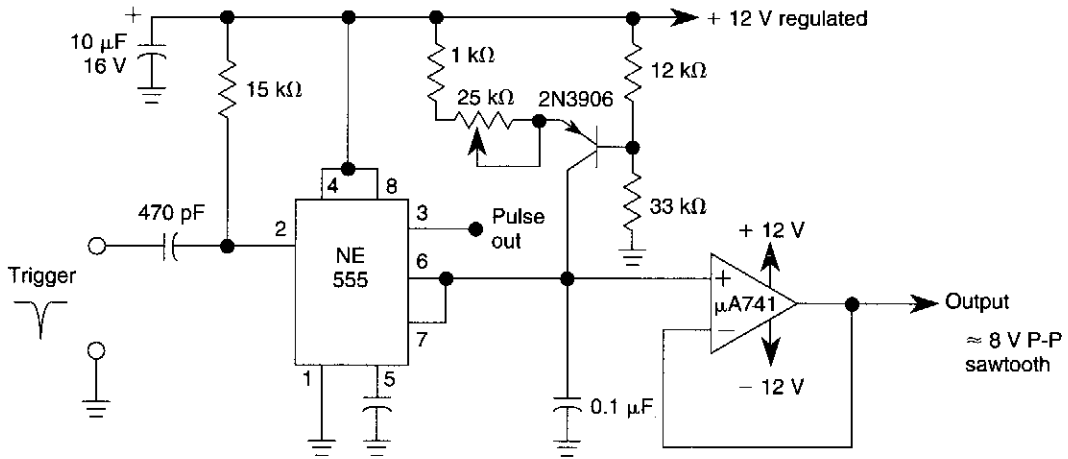
### TRANSISTORIZED SCHMITT TRIGGER



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FIG. 33-9

## LINEAR SAWTOOTH GENERATOR

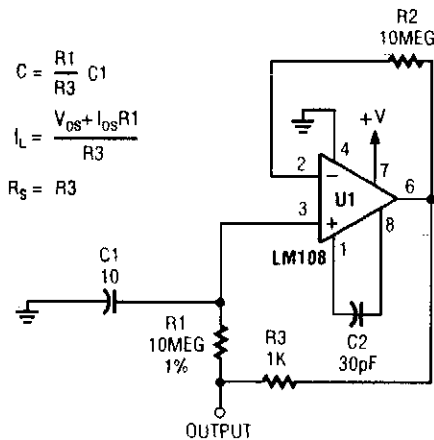


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FIG. 33-10

The 2N3906 transistor is used as a constant-current source, to assure that the 555-based sawtooth generator generates a linear ramp waveform.

### CAPACITANCE MULTIPLIER

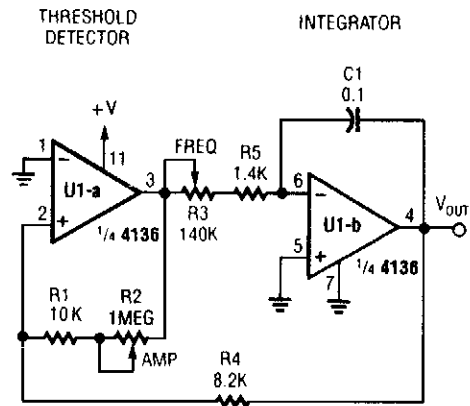


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FIG. 33-11

Capacitance multiplier uses the gain of an op amp to produce an effective capacitance—in this case 100,000 µF.

### TRIANGLE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



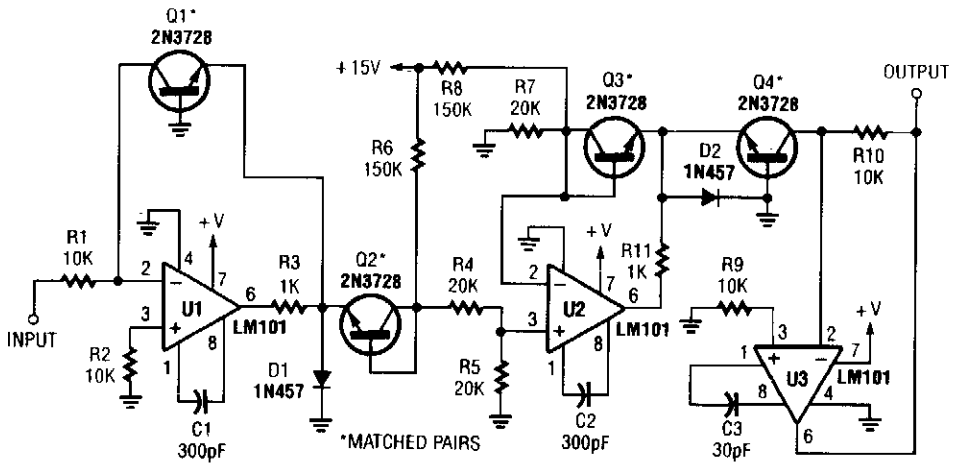
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FIG. 33-12

U1-b acts as an integrator while U1-a is a threshold detector. R2 sets the trip level and therefore the amplitude. R3 controls charging current of C1 and the frequency.



## ROOT EXTRACTOR



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FIG. 33-15

This circuit produces a voltage that is proportional to the root of the input. This gives a logarithmic response,  $\log V_{IN}^N = N \log V_{IN}$ .

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## Game Circuits

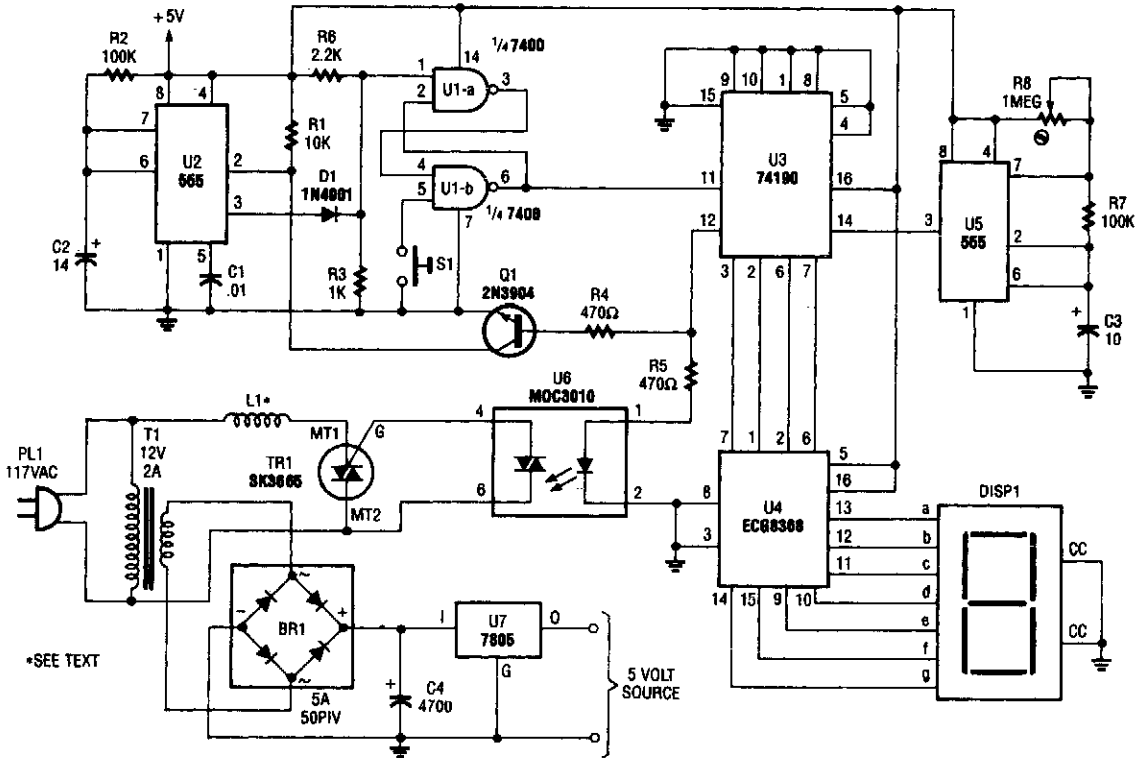
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Electromagnetic Ring Launcher  
Quiz Master  
Electronic Slot Machine



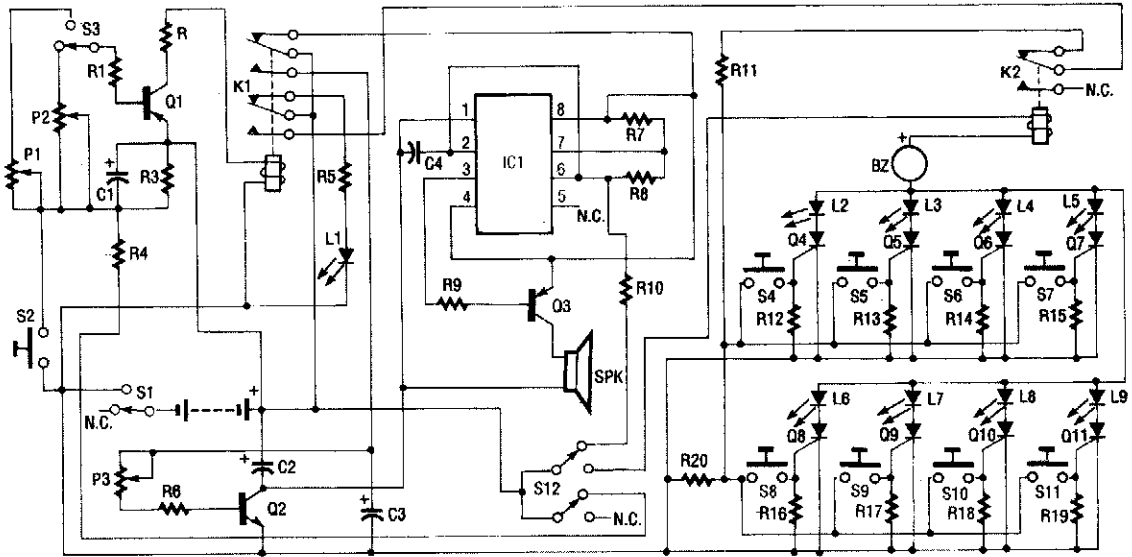
## ELECTROMAGNETIC RING LAUNCHER



The electromagnetic ring launcher is comprised of four subcircuits: a clock circuit (built around U5, a 555 oscillator/timer configured for astable operation), a count-down/display circuit (built around U3), a 74190 synchronous up/down counter with BCD outputs that is configured for count-down operation; U4, a ECG8368 BCD-to-7-segment latch/decoder/display driver; and DISP1, a common-cathode seven-segment display), a trigger circuit (comprised of U6), an MOC3010 optoisolator/coupler with Triac-driver output; TR1, an SK3665 200-PIV, 4-A Triac; and a few support components), and a reset circuit (comprised of U1, a 7400 quad 2-input NAND gate; U2, a second 555 oscillator/timer configured for monostable operation; and a few support components).

This circuit is that of a repulsion coil (L1) used to demonstrate the principle of electromagnetic repulsion by propelling a metal ring around the core of L1 through the air. A countdown circuit is provided to count seconds before launch.

## QUIZ MASTER



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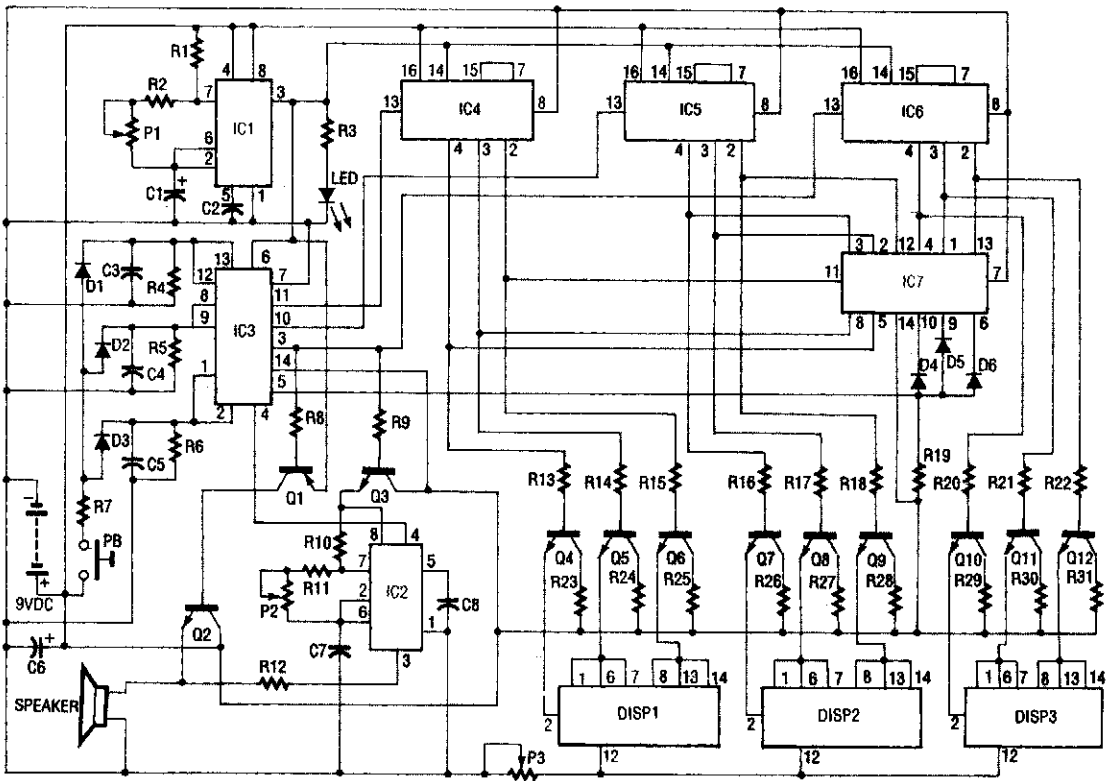
FIG. 34-2

Up to eight players each have their own answer button to press, corresponding to the four Red Team and four Green Team LEDs on the master control board. As soon as the first contestant who thinks that he knows the answer presses the button, a loud tone sounds, all other contestants are locked out, and the contestant's indicator LED lights on the control board so that it's obvious who buzzed in first.

The control board also features two selectable "time out" periods—each adjustable from 3 to 15 seconds, setting specified time intervals in which the player must answer before the "time's up!" tone sounds. Eight SCRs form the heart of the circuit. The anode of each SCR has a positive (+) bias on it by way of an LED and a negative (-) bias on each cathode. As soon as a contestant depresses his or her switch button (S4 through S11), a positive bias is applied to the respective SCR gate. That bias latches the contestant's SCR on, which in turn lights up the appropriate LED on the master control board. At the same time, the activity of the SCR latching on turns on the answer buzzer (BZ) and locks out all other contestants. The lockout occurs because relay K2 contacts operate to remove the availability of a bias voltage to the gate of the other SCRs.

The other circuitry consists of a timer circuit and a "time's-up" tone-generating circuit. The timer circuit consists of transistor Q1, capacitor C1, resistors R1 through R3, and trimmer resistors P1 and P2. Depending on the adjustment of the trimmer resistors and selection switch S3, a specific time period can be set. The time's-up tone-generating circuit is made up of IC1, transistors Q2 and Q3, and the associated resistors and capacitors. The "on" time of the tone can be set by P3. Relay K1, which is operated by the timer circuit, serves to reset the entire unit for the next question.

## ELECTRONIC SLOT MACHINE



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FIG. 34-3

The slot machine's realistic action is provided by seven ICs and three displays, as shown. Two 555 CMOS timer ICs generate pulses. IC1 is used to generate the clock pulses for the entire electronic slot machine. The pulses are coupled from the output (pin 3) to the clock inputs of IC4, IC5, and IC6, the display-driver ICs.

The displays are common-cathode 7-segment LED types. They are wired to display three different symbols, an "L," a "7," and "bar." When all three displays show the same symbols, IC7 (a 4023 triple 3-input NAND gate) decodes a winner and sends a signal to pin 5 of IC3. That IC is a 4001 CMOS NOR gate and it turns on IC2, a 555 timer IC. IC2 actually produces the winner tone on its output, pin 3.

Transistors Q4 through Q12 are used to drive the common-cathode displays. An LED is used to indicate the clock pulses, and a variable resistor is provided for each of these functions. Trimmer resistor P1 controls the overall clock rate, P2 controls the "winner" tone, and P3 controls the display brilliance.

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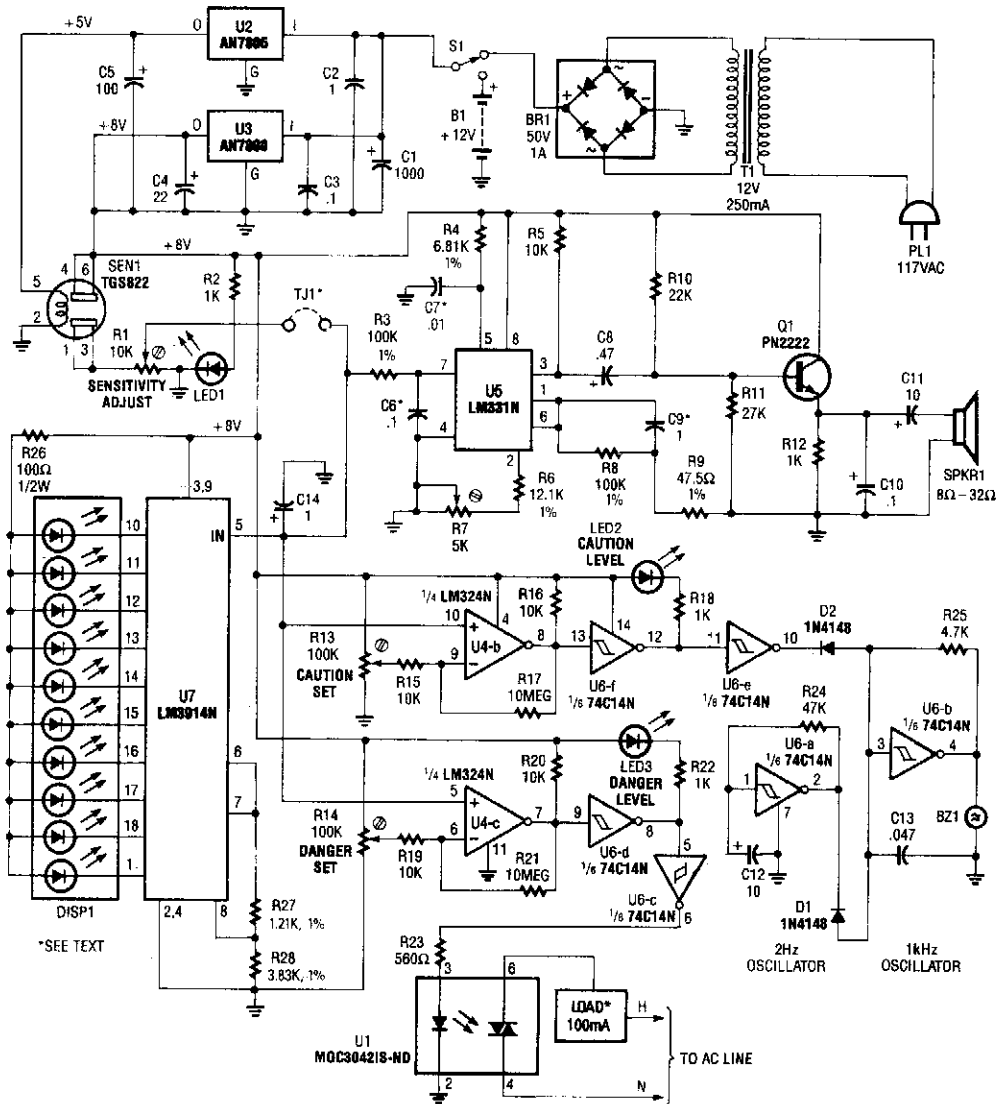
## Gas Detector Circuits

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Explosive Gas Detector  
Combustible Gas Detector

## EXPLOSIVE GAS DETECTOR

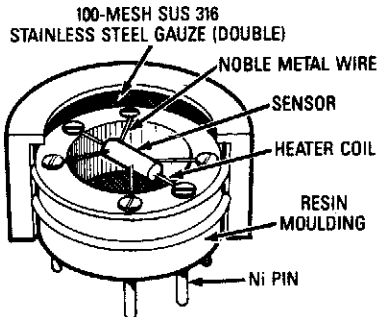
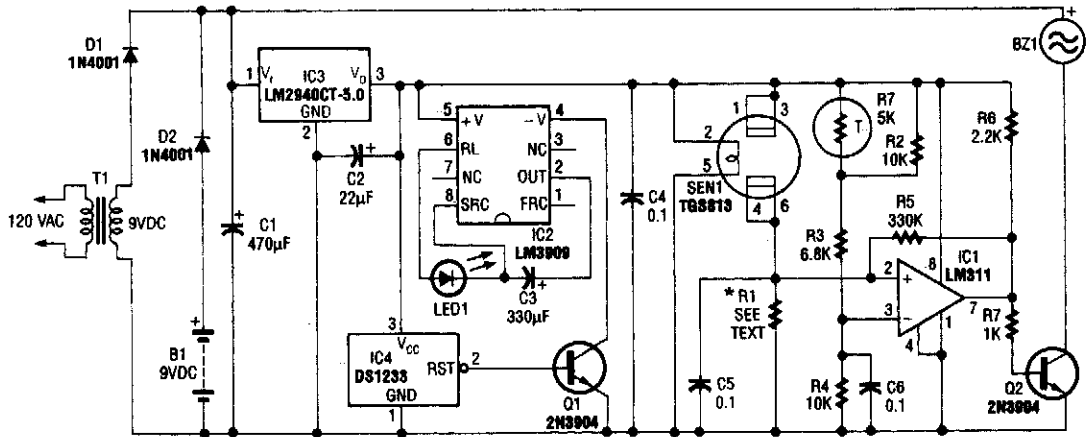


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FIG. 35-1

A gas sensor (TGS823 from Allegro Electronics, Cornwall Bridge, CT 06754) conducts in the presence of explosive gases. U5 is a voltage-to-frequency converter that produces a frequency proportional to the sensor conductance. The output frequency ranges from 100-Hz in clean air to 8 kHz in a contaminated atmosphere. The dc voltage from the sensor also drives bar graph LED U7 and comparators U4-b and U4-c to sense present caution and danger levels. U1 drives an ac load up to 100 mA (relay, indicator, alarm, etc.).

## COMBUSTIBLE GAS DETECTOR



**THE GAS SENSOR** is mainly composed of tin dioxide on a ceramic base; the resistance of the sensor varies depending on the concentration of reducing gases in the air.

The circuit shown is useful for the detection of dangerous levels of combustible fumes or gases. It uses a comparator circuit to trigger an alarm buzzer. The sensor's resistant element is connected in series with resistor R1 to form a voltage-divider circuit; R1 is specifically matched to each gas sensor by the manufacturer.

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## Gate Circuit

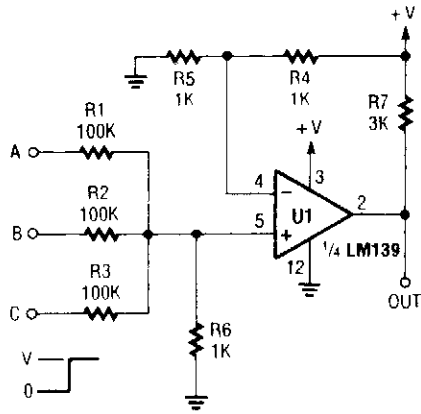
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AND Gate

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## AND GATE



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**FIG. 36-1**

A left-over section of a quad op amp can be used to save cost and eliminate an extra logic chip for this AND gate.

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## Geiger Counter Circuits

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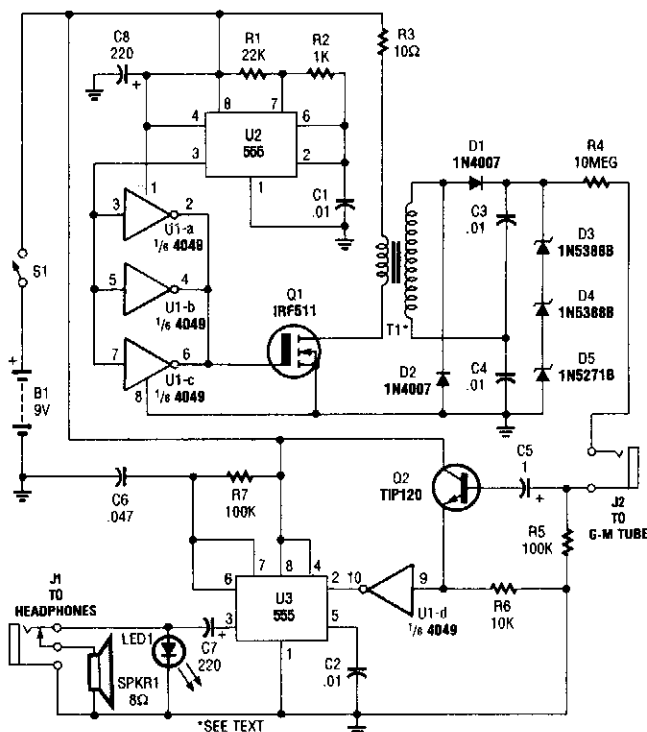
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Geiger Counter I

Geiger Counter II

## GEIGER COUNTER I



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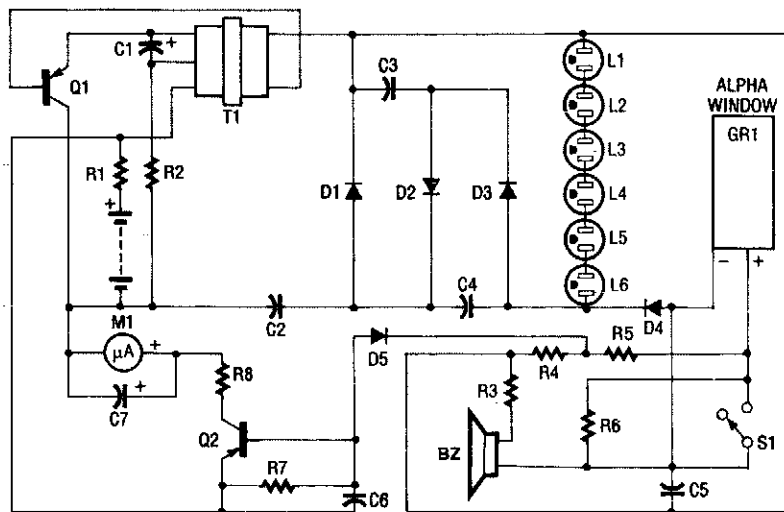
FIG. 37-1

The circuit is built around a 4049 hex inverter (U1), a pair of 555 oscillator/timers (U2 and U3), two transistors, a Geiger-Muller tube, and a few additional support components. The first 555 (U2) is configured for astable operation. The output of U2 (a series of negative-going pulses) at pin 3 is fed to three parallel-connected inverters (U1-a, U1-b, and U1-c). The positive-going output pulses of the inverters are fed to the gate of Q1, causing it to toggle on and off.

The output of Q1, which is connected in series with the primary of step-up transformer T1, produces a stepped-up series of pulses in T1's secondary. The output of T1 (approximately 300 V) is fed through a voltage doubler (consisting of D1, D2, C3, and C4), producing a voltage of around 600 V. Three series-connected Zener diodes (D3, D4, and D5) are placed across the output of the voltage doubler to regulate the output to 500 V, fed through R4 (a 10-M $\Omega$  current-limiting resistor) and J2 to the anode of the GM tube. The limiting resistor also allows the detection ionization to be quenched.

The cathode side of the tube is connected to ground through a 100-k $\Omega$  resistor, R5. When a particle is detected by the GM tube, the gases within the tube ionize, producing a pulse across R5. That pulse is also fed through C5 and applied to the base of Q2 (a TIP120 npn transistor), where it is amplified and clamped to 9 V. The output of Q2 is inverted by gate U1-d, then it is used to trigger U3 (the second 555, which is configured for monostable operation). The output of U3 at pin 3 causes LED1 to flash, and produces a click that can be heard through speaker SPKR1 or headphones. The circuit is powered by a 9-V alkaline battery and draws about 28 mA when not detecting radiation.

## GEIGER COUNTER II



- BZ .....Blue Piezo Buzzer
- C1 ..... 4.6- $\mu$ F Electrolytic Ca-  
pacitor
- C2-C4 ...0.005- $\mu$ F 1-kV Disc Ca-  
pacitor
- C5 ..... 01- $\mu$ F 1-kV Disc Ca-  
pacitor (103 M)
- C6 ..... 1- $\mu$ F 100-V Mylar Ca-  
pacitor (104 k)
- C7 ..... 33- $\mu$ F Electrolytic Ca-  
pacitor
- D1-D5 ...1N4007 Diodes
- GR1 ..... Alpha Window Geiger  
Mueller Tube
- L1-L6 .....Neon Lamps
- M1 ..... 0-200 Microamp Meter
- Q1 ..... 02-GE PNP Power Tran-  
sistor
- Q2 ..... 2N3906 Transistor
- R1 ..... 47-ohm Resistor
- R2, R3 ... 3.9-k Resistor
- R4, R5 ... 4.7-Meg Resistor
- R6 ..... 220-k Resistor
- R7 ..... 27-k Resistor
- R8 ..... 18-k $\Omega$  Resistor
- S1 ..... SPDT Slide Switch
- T1 ..... Inverter Transformer

Q1 is a pnp power transistor used in conjunction with a ferrite transformer to form a blocking-type oscillator. This oscillator is a fixed-frequency type, and the feedback to sustain oscillations is from capacitor C1. Because of the turns ratio of T1, the small ac voltage produced on its primary is converted to a large ac voltage on its secondary. That high-voltage ac is applied to the voltage tripler stage, which consists of capacitors C2, C3, and C4 and diodes D1, D2, and D3. The resultant voltage is now over 800 V and it is regulated by neon lamps L1 through L6. Diode D4 rectifies the high voltage and applies it to the cathode lead of the GM tube. The positive (+) bias on the GM tube is applied to the anode by way of load resistors R4 and R5. Each time a radioactive particle strikes the GM tube, it causes the gas inside to ionize. This ionization of the gas creates a pulse, which drives the piezo speaker and is also coupled by diode D5 to the base of Q2. Transistor Q2 is a pnp type and is used to "integrate" the pulses in conjunction with capacitor C6. That produces a dc voltage level, which is in proportion to the quantity of pulses arriving at the base of Q2. The collector of Q2 is connected through resistor R8 to the (+) terminal of the meter. The other side of the meter goes directly to (-) of the battery.

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## Hall Effect Circuits

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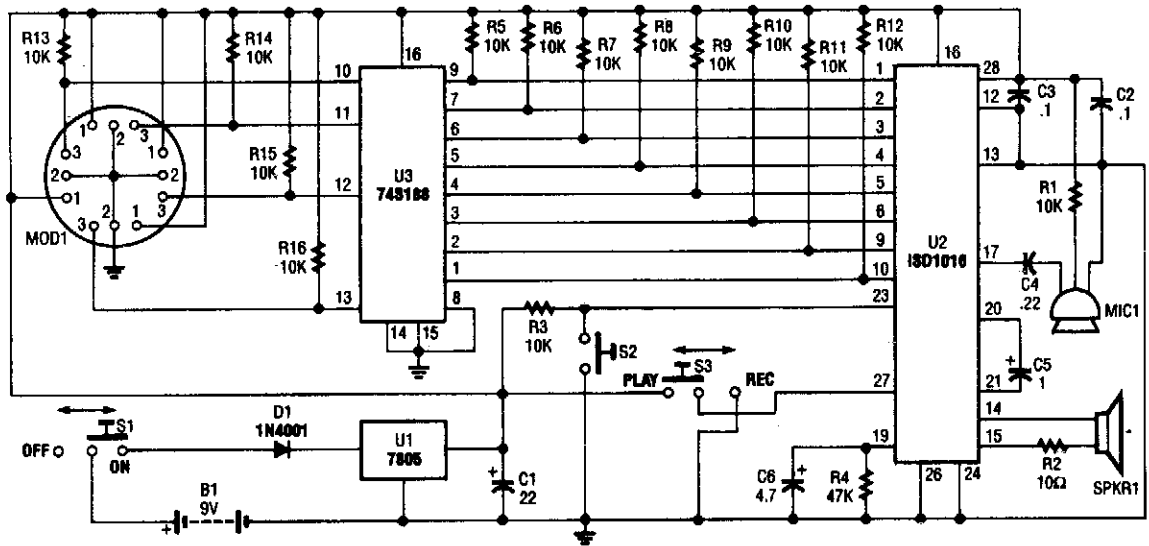
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The Talking Compass  
Unusual Hall-Effect Oscillators

# THE TALKING COMPASS

TABLE 1—74S188 TRUTH TABLE

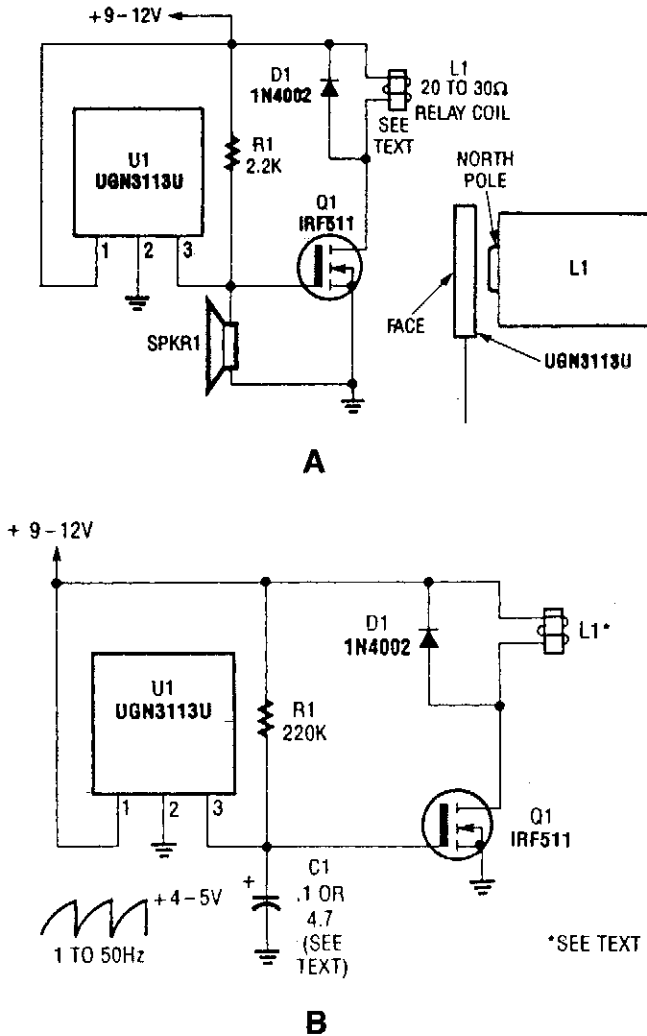
| Directory | Input |    |    |    |    | Output |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | Decimal Equivalent |
|-----------|-------|----|----|----|----|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--------------------|
|           | A4    | A3 | A2 | A1 | A0 | B0     | B1 | B2 | B3 | B4 | B5 | B6 | B7 |                    |
| North     | L     | H  | L  | H  | H  | 0      | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1                  |
| N.W.      | L     | L  | L  | H  | H  | 0      | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 20                 |
| West      | L     | L  | H  | H  | H  | 0      | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 40                 |
| S.W.      | L     | L  | H  | H  | L  | 0      | 0  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 60                 |
| South     | L     | H  | H  | H  | L  | 0      | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 80                 |
| S.E.      | L     | H  | H  | L  | L  | 0      | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 100                |
| East      | L     | H  | H  | L  | H  | 0      | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 120                |
| N.E.      | L     | H  | L  | L  | H  | 1      | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 140                |



A talking compass is made up using a Hall-effect direction sensor (MOD1) and an ISD1016 analog audio storage device. It is possible to program eight two-second announcements, for each of the eight main compass directions.

The Talking Compass is comprised of a digital compass (MOD1), and ISD1016 analog storage device (U2), a 74S188 preprogrammed PROM (U3), and a handful of additional components.

## UNUSUAL HALL-EFFECT OSCILLATORS



Although not intended for this application, Hall-effect switch can be used as the basis for a rather unusual oscillator. The oscillator can be reconfigured, as shown in Fig. B, to allow the circuit's oscillating frequency to be controlled via an RC network, comprised of R1 and C1.

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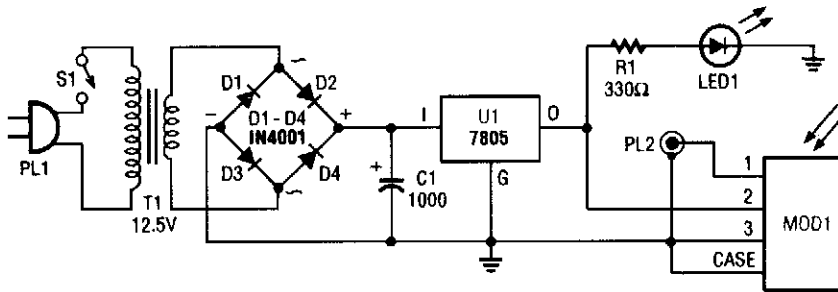
## Infrared Circuits

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| Remote-Control Analyzer                        | Wireless IR Headphone Receiver                 |
| IR-Pulse-to-Audio Converter                    | Infrared Remote-Control Tester                 |
| IR-Controlled Remote A/B Switch                | Pulsed Infrared Transmitter for On/Off Control |
| Simple IR Detector                             | Very Simple IR Remote-Control Circuit          |
| Infrared Receiver                              | IR Receiver                                    |
| Selective Preamplifier for Infrared Photodiode | Remote-Control Tester                          |
| Wireless IR Headphone Transmitter              |  |

## REMOTE-CONTROL ANALYZER



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FIG. 39-1

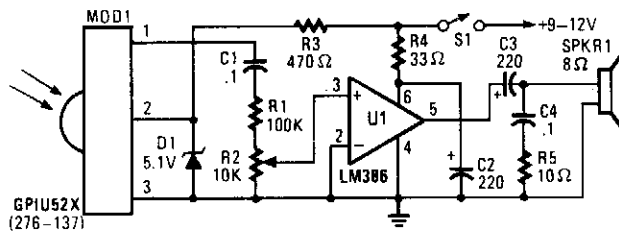
A schematic diagram for the remote analyzer is shown. The circuit is powered from a simple 5-V supply, consisting of PL1, S1, T1, a bridge rectifier (comprised of D1 through D4), capacitor C1, and a common 5-V regulator, U1. Switch S1 is the on/off control and is optional. The power-supply transformer used in the prototype is a 12.6-Vac unit, but any transformer that can supply at least 5.6-Vac will do. The 12.6-V unit was used solely because of its availability.

The output of T1 is full-wave rectified by diodes D1 through D4 and filtered by C1. The bumpy dc output from the capacitor is regulated down to 5 V by U1, a 7805 integrated regulator. LED1 acts as a power indicator to let you know that the circuit is active.

The 5-Vdc powers a GPIU52X infrared-detector module\* (MOD1), which demodulates the 40-kHz carrier used by most infrared remotes. After demodulation, the resulting logic pulses are sent to an oscilloscope via PL2, a BNC connector.

\*Radio Shack part #276-137

## IR-PULSE-TO-AUDIO CONVERTER



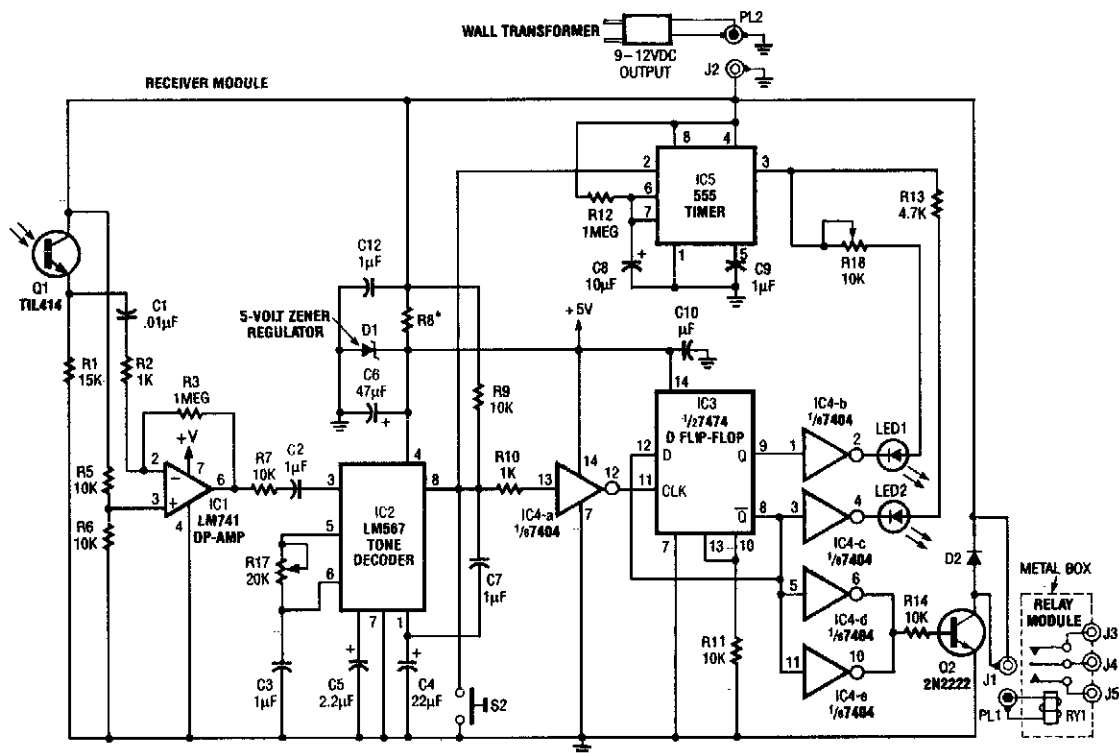
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FIG. 39-2

If your ear is good, you can use this IR-pulse-to-audio converter to troubleshoot infrared remote-controls. It is also a good project for detecting infrared-light sources. A photo cell module (Radio Shack P/N 276-137) detects IR radiation and drives audio IC U1. This circuit is useful for troubleshooting IR remote controls.



## IR-CONTROLLED REMOTE A/B SWITCH

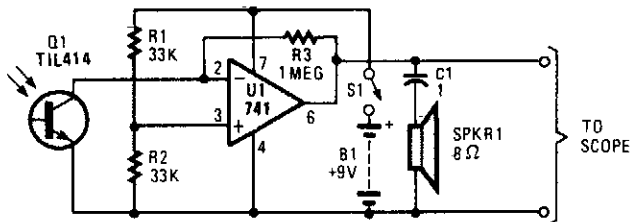


RADIO ELECTRONICS

FIG. 39-3

Useful for A/B control, the IR receiver shown controls a relay from an infrared beam that has a pulsed tone-modulated signal. Q1 is the photo receptor feeding op-amp IC1, tone decoder IC2, and flip-flop IC3. IC5 turns off the indicator LEDs after about 15 seconds.

## SIMPLE IR DETECTOR

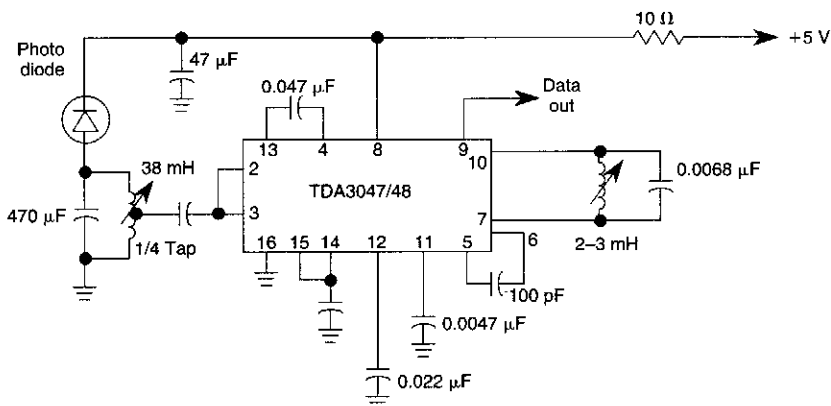


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FIG. 39-4

Useful for IR detection, this circuit uses an op amp of the 741 family (or similar) to detect and amplify IR pulses.

## INFRARED RECEIVER

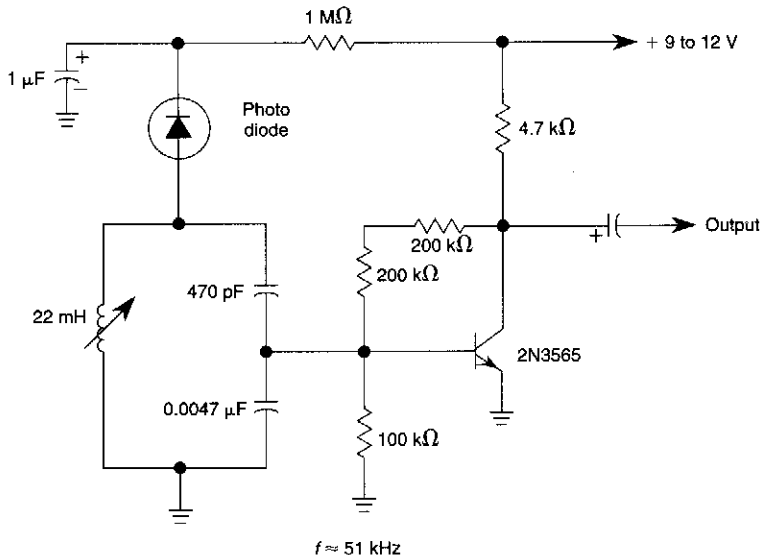


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FIG. 39-5

The circuit operates from a 5-V supply and has a current consumption of 2 mA. The output is a current source that drives or suppresses a current of more than 75  $\mu\text{A}$  with a voltage swing of 4.5 V. The Q-killer circuit eliminates distortion of the output pulses because of the decay of the tuned input circuit at high input voltages. The input circuit is protected against signals of more than 600 mV by an input limiter. The typical input is an AM signal at a frequency of 36 kHz.

## SELECTIVE PREAMPLIFIER FOR INFRARED PHOTODIODE

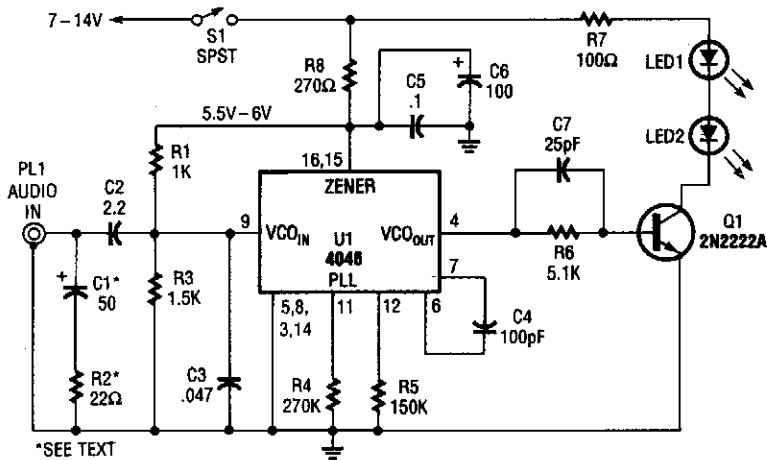


WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 39-6

The circuit uses a tuned circuit to achieve frequency selection. Values are for operation at about 51 kHz. The 2N3565 amplifies the output developed by the tuned circuit.

## WIRELESS IR HEADPHONE TRANSMITTER

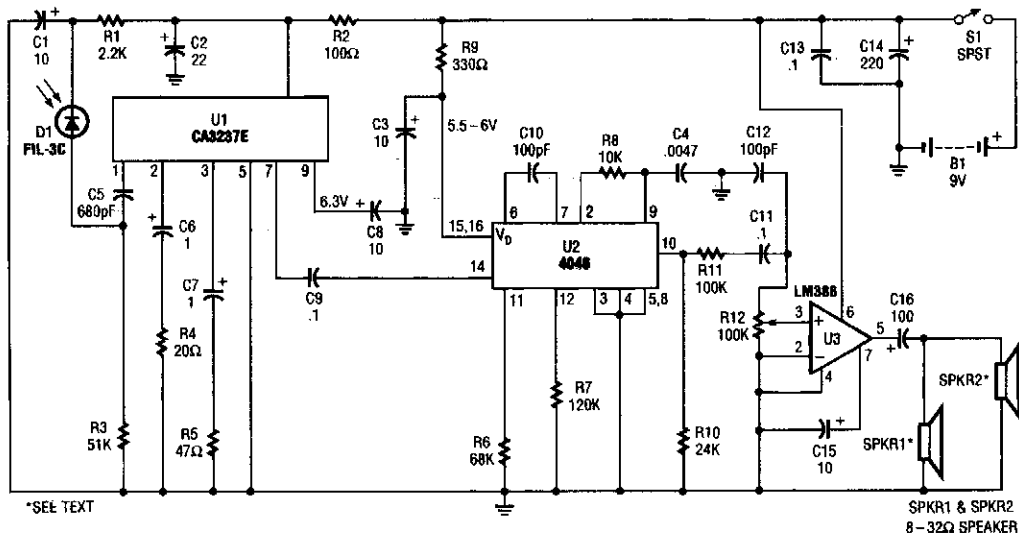


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FIG. 39-7

The transmitter for the wireless headphones is built around a CD4046 CMOS phase-locked loop, coupled with a driver transistor, and a pair of infrared LEDs. Although the CD4046 is comprised of two phase comparators, a voltage-controlled oscillator (or VCO), a source follower, and a zener reference, only its VCO is used in this application.

## WIRELESS IR HEADPHONE RECEIVER

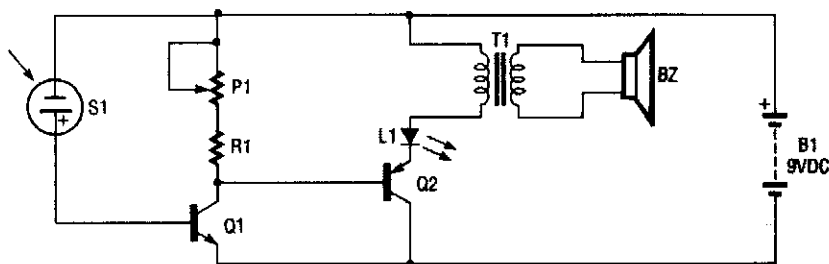


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FIG. 39-8

IR detector diode D1 intercepts the IR signal at around 40 kHz and feeds it from U1, a high-gain preamp, to PLL, U2, a 4046 configured to serve as an FM detector. U3 is an audio amplifier that feeds a pair of headphones or a speaker.

## INFRARED REMOTE-CONTROL TESTER



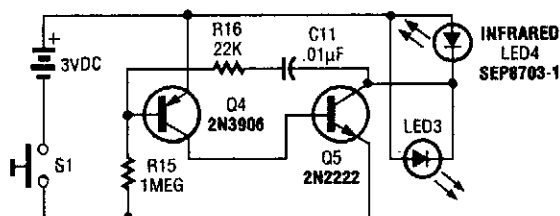
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**FIG. 39-9**

The infrared remote-control tester uses a sensitive PN-type solar sensor that is connected directly to a Darlington amplifier made up of transistors Q1 and Q2. Biasing is provided by R1 and P1, a variable resistor that serves as a sensitivity control. The collector lead of Q1 is the output lead of the Darlington amp, and it is connected to a red LED and the primary of transformer T1. The function of T1 is to convert the low-voltage output signal to a level high enough to drive a small piezo disc. That disc makes a clicking sound when the sensor picks up an infrared signal that is varying in frequency or amplitude. The infrared sensor will also pick up visible light. The use of an IR filter (Wratten #87) is recommended.

- BZ Piezo Disc
- L1 Jumbo Red LED
- P1 2-M $\Omega$  Trimmer Resistor
- Q1 2N3904 Transistor
- Q2 2N3906 Transistor
- R1 270- $\Omega$  Resistor
- S1 Solar Sensor
- T1 Audio Transformer

## PULSED INFRARED TRANSMITTER FOR ON/OFF CONTROL

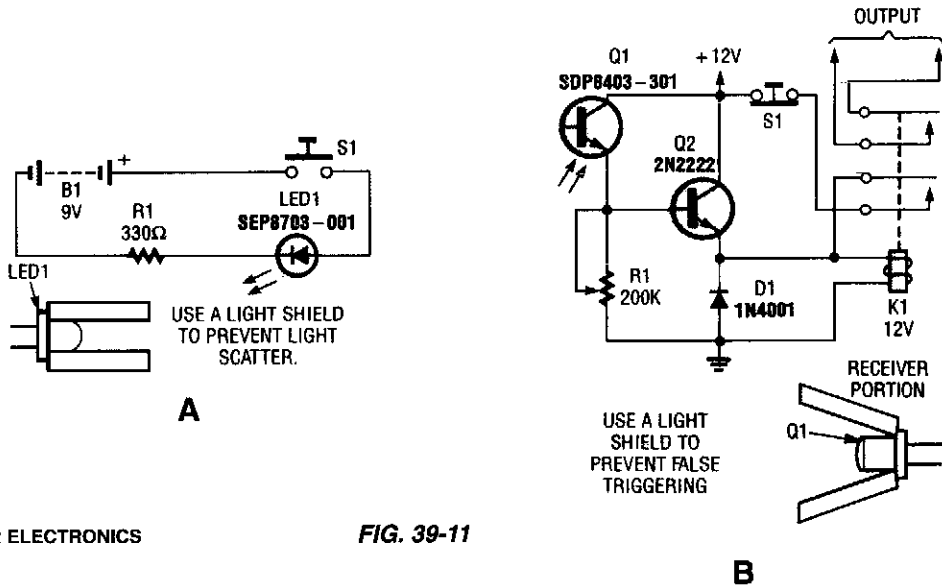


RADIO ELECTRONICS

**FIG. 39-10**

This transmitter consists of an oscillator and LEDs. It generates a pulsed tone of around 850 Hz.

## VERY SIMPLE IR REMOTE-CONTROL CIRCUIT

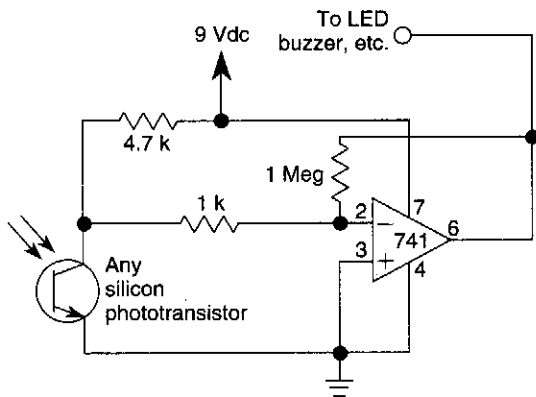


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FIG. 39-11

Here is a complete IR remote-control system that consists of a simple transmitter (A) and an equally simple receiver (B).

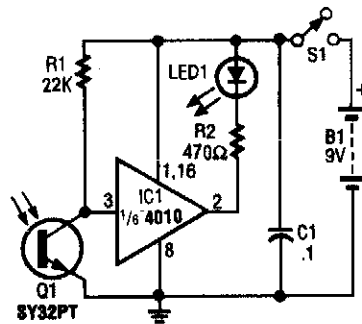
### IR RECEIVER



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FIG. 39-12

### REMOTE-CONTROL TESTER



ELECTRONICS NOW

FIG. 39-13

This circuit is just about the simplest IR receiver you can build. The parts are cheap, the layout is not critical, and a 9-V battery will last a long time.

The IR Tester circuit lets you know if the button you press on a remote control is working. Q1 is a photo transistor that is activated by IR energy.

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## Indicator Circuits

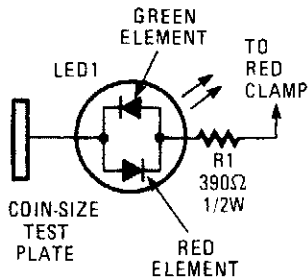
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Polarity Indicator  
Tri-Color Indicator

## POLARITY INDICATOR



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FIG. 40-1

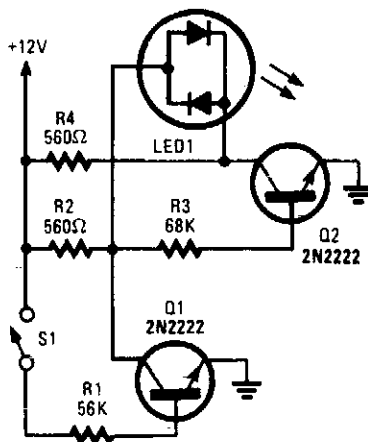
This circuit consists of a tri-color LED, a resistor, wire, and a coin-size test plate. You will have to build two such circuits—one for each black clamp on a set of auto battery jumper cables. The author installed the circuits inside the black clamps themselves using lengths of wire to make the connections to the red clamps.

The first step is to connect one red clamp to what you believe is the positive post on the okay battery. Then, touch the test plate on the black clamp at the end of the cable to the negative terminal on the good battery. The LED will light red if the red clamp is on the wrong terminal. If so move the clamp to the other post and check again. If all is well, the LED will light green. Pick up the other black clamp and connect it to the remaining post on the good battery.

Connect the remaining red clamp to what you assume to be the positive terminal on the bad battery. Now, touch the test plate on the remaining clamp to the engine block or a bare area on the dead car's frame. If the LED appears or doesn't glow, switch the red clamp to the other terminal and test again. When the LED glows green, attach the black clamp to the car's frame (which will prevent any sparks from occurring near the battery). When you remove the clamps, take the clamps off in reverse order to avoid sparks.

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## BI-COLOR INDICATOR



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FIG. 40-2

With S1 open, base bias is supplied to Q2 through a voltage divider (formed by R2 and R3), thus turning on the green element in the LED. That indicates that power is being supplied to the project. If you close S1, current through R1 biases Q1 on, thereby grounding the voltage divider and turning off Q2. That reverses the flow of current through the LED, which causes its red element to light. That indicates that the circuit is under power and S1 (really a DPDT switch), whose remaining section controls another circuit, is active. In this circuit, a bi-color LED is used to indicate when a circuit is under power and the status of S1. In that way, the LED does the job of two indicators.



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## Instrumentation Amplifier Circuits

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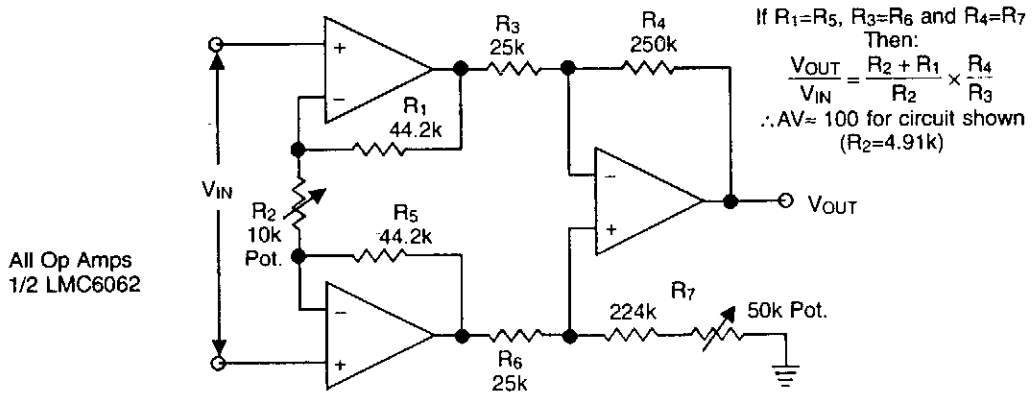
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LMC6062 Instrumentation Amplifier

LM6218 High-Speed Instrumentation Amplifier

## LMC6062 INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

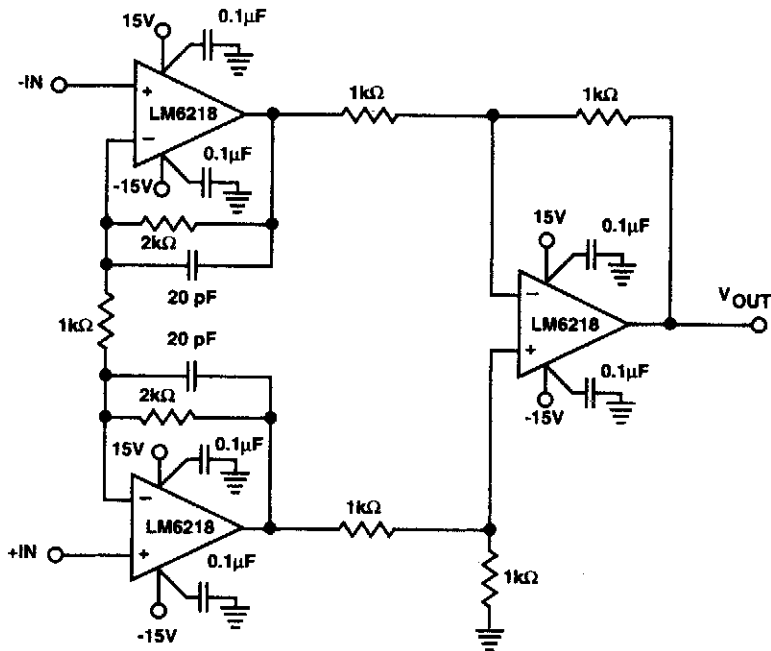


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

FIG. 41-1

Useful for +5-V single-supply applications, this op amp circuit features low drain (around 1 mA), high input resistance ( $10^{14} \Omega$ ), and low bias current ( $\approx 10^{-14}A$ ).

## LM6218 HIGH-SPEED INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 41-2

This amplifier features 400-μsec settling time (to 0.01%), 140-V/μsec slow rate, and 17-MHz gain-bandwidth product. The supply voltage can be ±5 to ±20 V.

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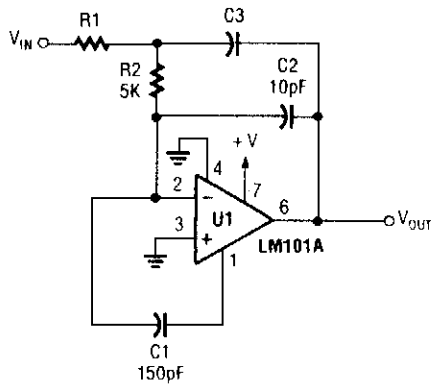
## Integrator Circuit

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Fast Integrator

## FAST INTEGRATOR



$V_{OUT}$  is the integral of  $V_{IN}$  in this circuit.

$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \approx \frac{1}{C_3} \frac{V_{IN}(A)}{R} dt.$$

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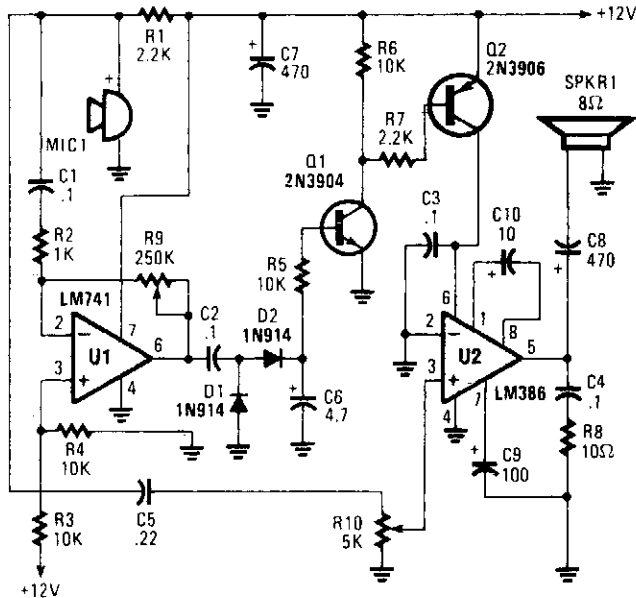
## Intercom Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

One-Way Voice-Activated Intercom  
Very Simple Telephone Intercom Circuit  
Telephone Intercom

## ONE-WAY VOICE-ACTIVATED INTERCOM

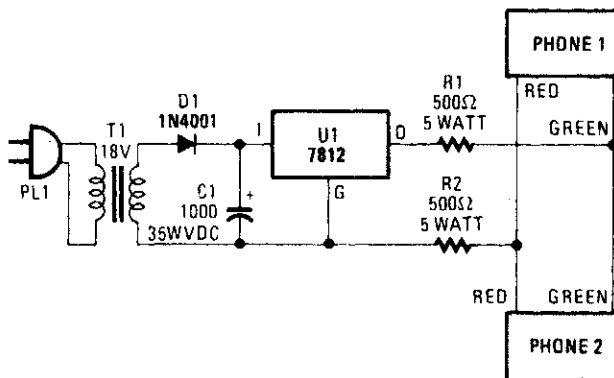


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FIG. 43-1

An omnidirectional electret microphone can be used to pick up the sound and convert it into an electrical signal. The output of the microphone is fed along two paths. In the first path, the signal is sent to the inverting input at pin 6. In the second path, the microphone signal is fed to the non-inverting input of U2, where it is amplified and output to the speaker, SPKR1.

## VERY SIMPLE TELEPHONE INTERCOM CIRCUIT

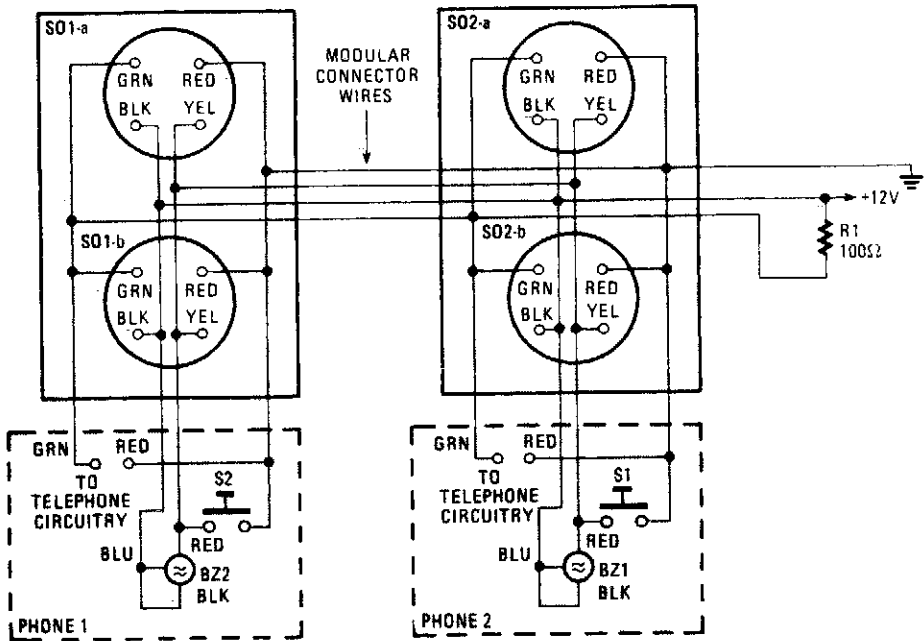


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 43-2

Two telephones can be used as an intercom by using this circuit. Older style rotary phones that are nonelectronic might work best in this application. Also, handsets only might be powered this way.

## TELEPHONE INTERCOM



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

**FIG. 43-3**

An intercom using dual-modular wall jacks is shown in this circuit. If the wires are available in the home telephone cable, this system can be installed with little trouble.



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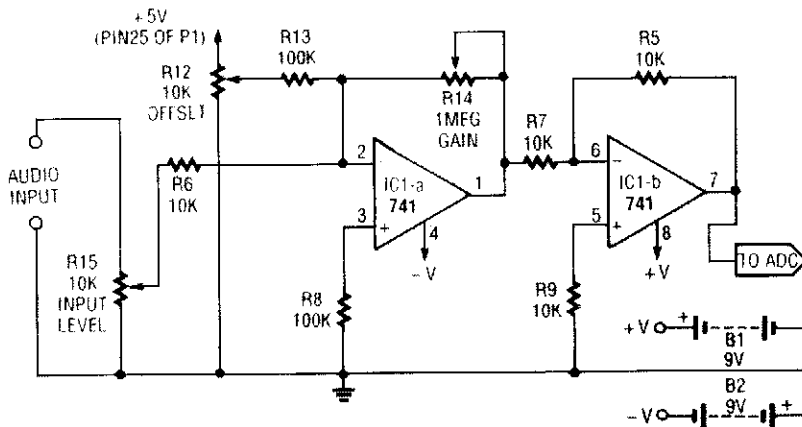
## Interface Circuits

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Audio-to-ADC Interface  
Process-Control Interface  
Relay Interface for Amateur Radio Transceivers  
Receiver Interface Circuit for Preamps  
Microcomputer-to-Triac Interface

## AUDIO-TO-ADC INTERFACE

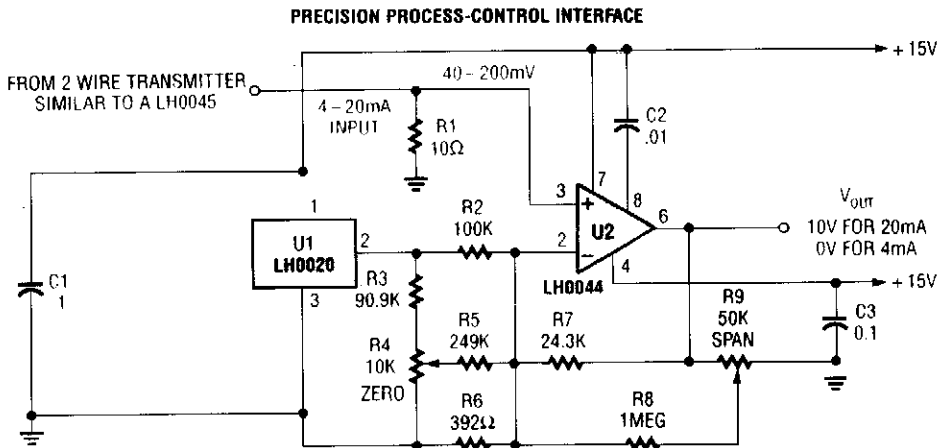


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 44-1

This simple general-purpose driver for an analog/digital converter uses two 741 IC devices with adjustable gain and offset. Other op amps might be substituted, but some circuit adjustments might be needed.

## PROCESS-CONTROL INTERFACE



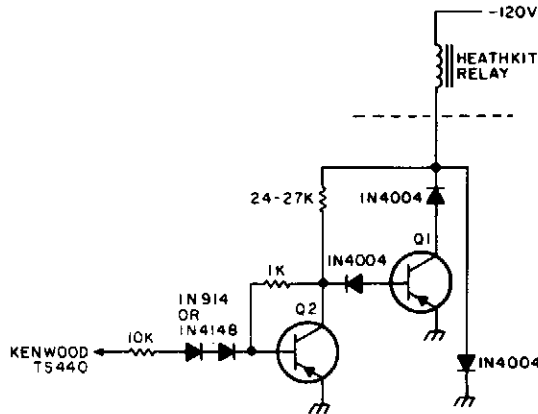
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 44-2

This circuit can be used to interface a 2-wire transmitter/sensor combination to an external device or measurement setup.

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## RELAY INTERFACE FOR AMATEUR RADIO TRANSCEIVERS



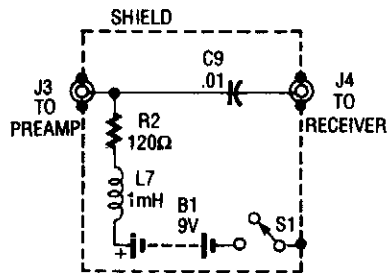
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FIG. 44-3

The relay power in the linear is obtained from the -120-V bias supply, and the transmit keying output from the Kenwood is +12 V at 10 mA maximum. The key ingredient in the circuit is the pnp driver transistor, which must be capable of handling at least 150 V at about 250 mA.

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## RECEIVER-INTERFACE CIRCUIT FOR PREAMPS



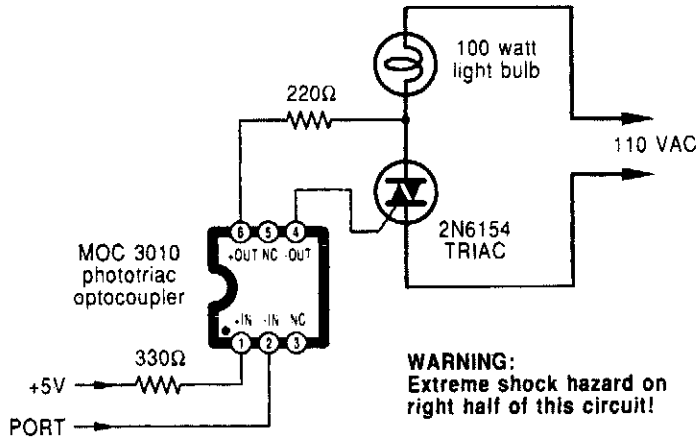
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FIG. 44-4

The purpose of the receiver/interface circuit is to pass RF to the receiver through capacitor C9, while adding dc power to the feedline through R2 and RF choke L7.

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## MICROCOMPUTER-TO-TRIAC INTERFACE



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 44-5

A microcomputer-to-triac interface uses a phototriac optoisolator to let safety-isolated logic signals directly control high-power loads. Depending on the input waveforms and the load, this circuit can be used in either an on/off switch or a proportional phase control. A low input powers the lamp.

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## Inverter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

250-W Inverter

Digital Inverter

dc-to-ac Inverter

Power MOSFET Inverter

## 250-W INVERTER

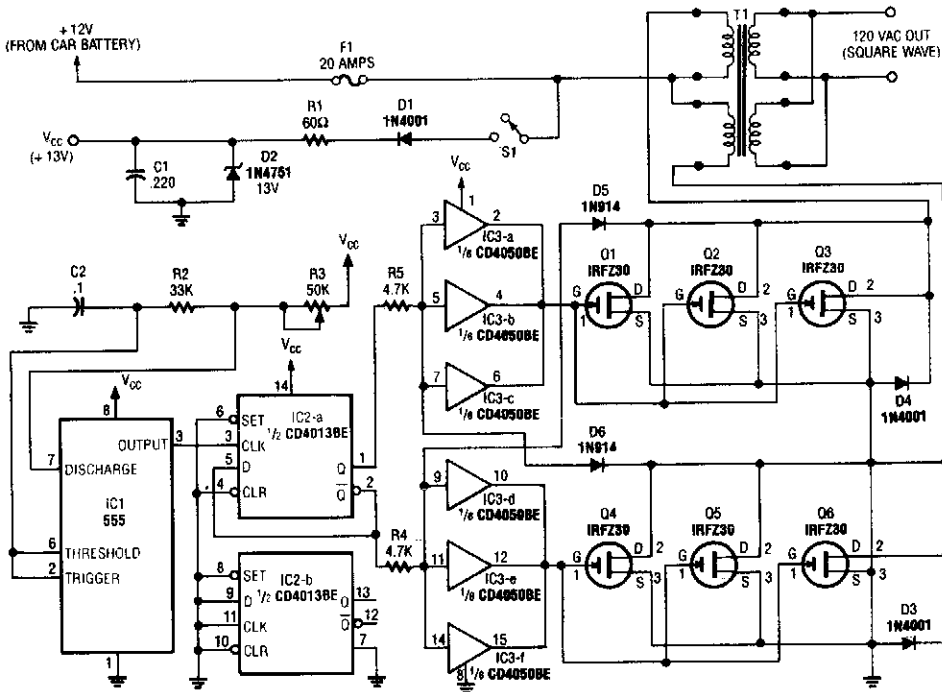
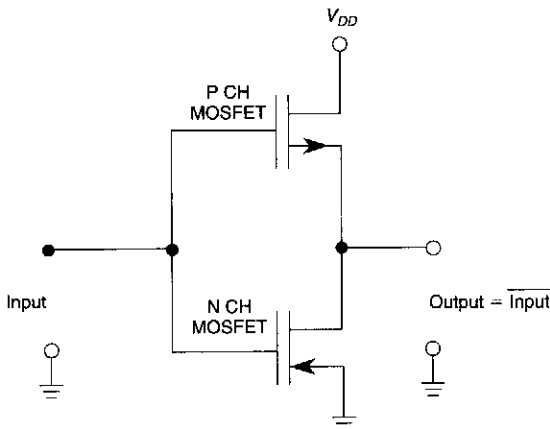


FIG. 45-1

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A 555 timer (IC1) generates a 120-Hz signal that is fed to a CD4013BE flip-flop (IC1-a), which divides the input frequency by two to generate a 60-Hz clocking frequency for the FET array (Q1 through Q6). Transformer T1 is a 12-/24-V center-tapped 60-Hz transformer of suitable size.

## DIGITAL INVERTER

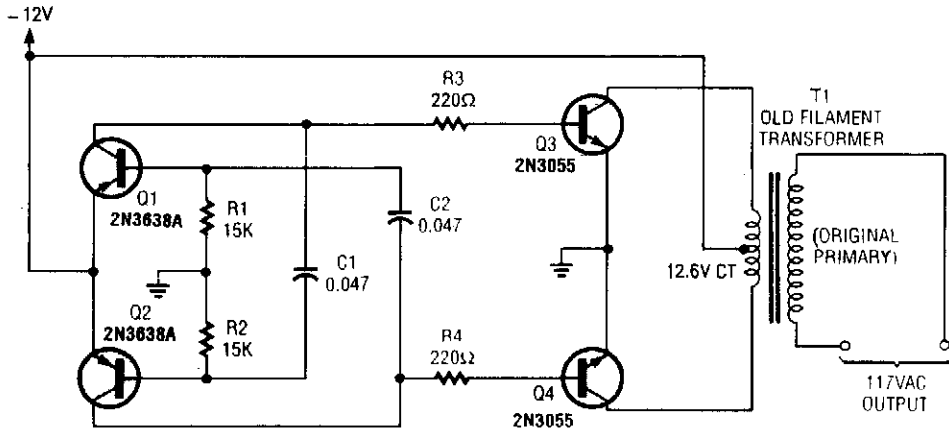


A CMOS digital inverter is formed by connecting two MOSFETS, as shown.

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FIG. 45-2

## dc-to-ac INVERTER

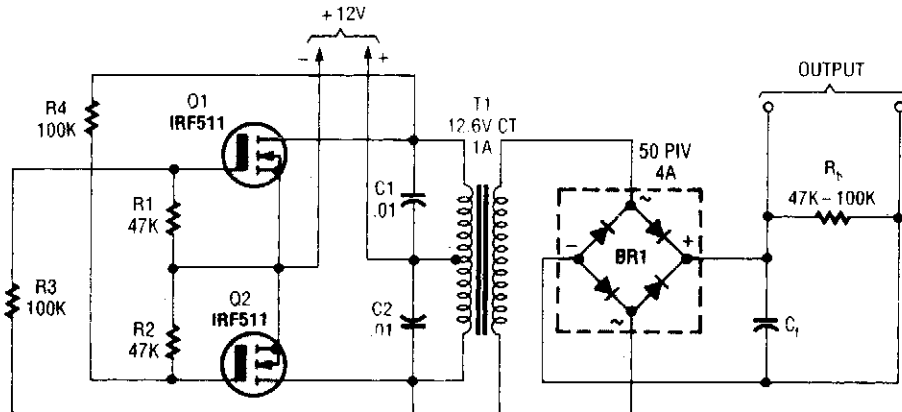


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 45-3

A multivibrator circuit drives a pair of 2N3055 power transistors. T1 is a 12.6-V CT filament transformer with a 120-V primary.

## POWER MOSFET INVERTER



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FIG. 45-4

T1 is a suitable transformer for the voltage desired, with a 12.6-V CT winding.

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## Ion Generator Circuit

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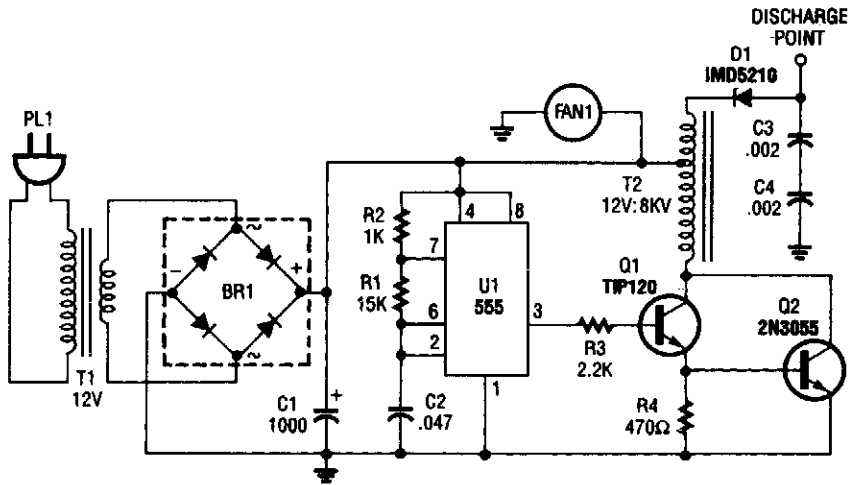
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Negative Ion Generator



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## NEGATIVE ION GENERATOR



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FIG. 46-1

This oscillator-driver induces a high voltage in the windings of T2.

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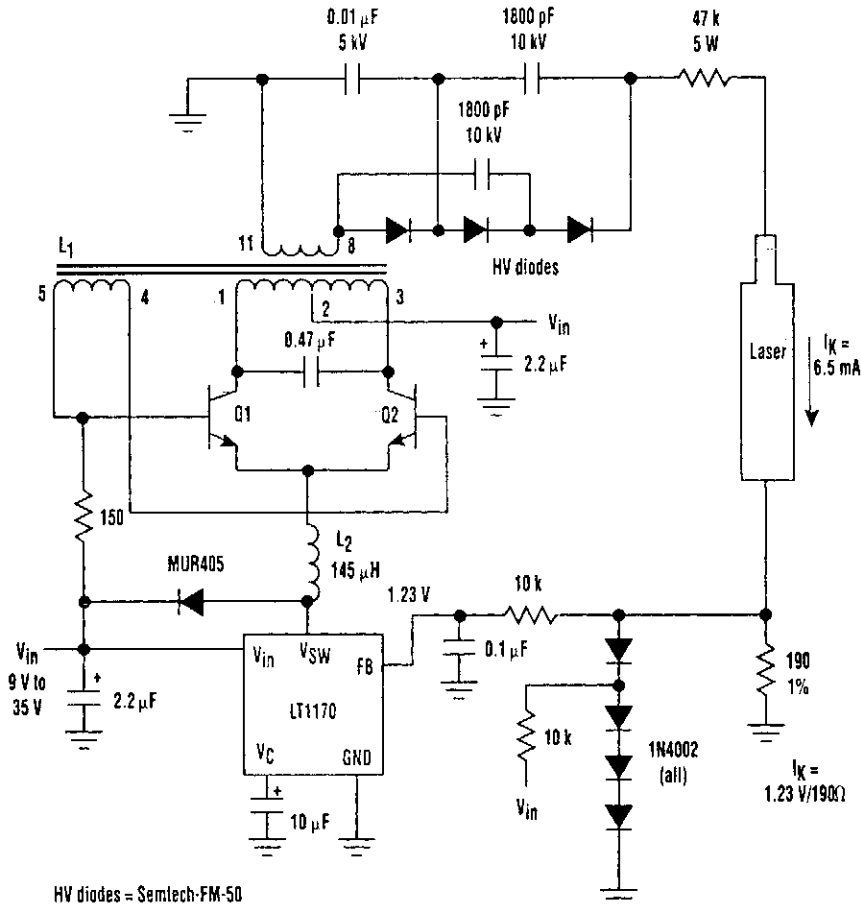
## Laser Circuits

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Efficient Laser Supply  
Laser Power Supply and Starting Circuit  
Handheld Laser  
High-Voltage Power Supply  
Fantastic Simulated Laser  
Laser Power Supply

## EFFICIENT LASER SUPPLY



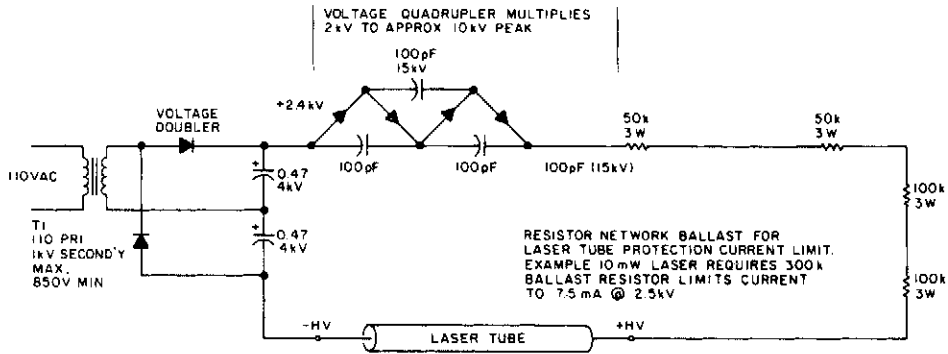
HV diodes = Semtech-FM-50  
 0.47  $\mu$ F = Wima (Mannheim, Germany) 3 X 0.15  $\mu$ F, type MKP-20  
 Q1, Q2 = Zetex ZTX-849  
 L<sub>1</sub> = Coiltronics CTX0211128-2  
 L<sub>2</sub> = Pulse Engineering PE-92105  
 Laser = Hughes 3121 H-P, 6.5- mA beam current

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 47-1

Driving Helium-Neon Lasers can be simplified considerably using this power-supply configuration. When power is applied, the laser doesn't conduct and the voltage across the 190- $\Omega$  resistor is zero. However, a resonant circuit and a voltage tripler then produces over 10 kV to turn on the laser.

## LASER POWER SUPPLY AND STARTING CIRCUIT

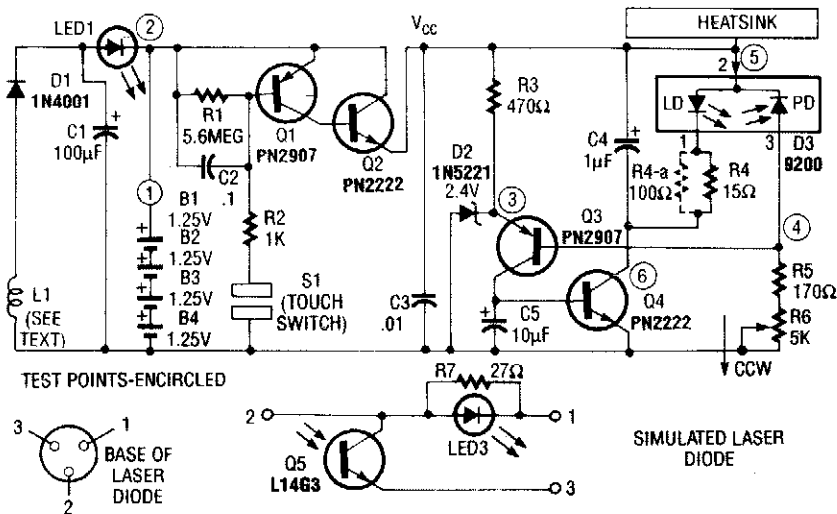


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FIG. 47-2

This circuit delivers 10 kV peak, then limits current to 7.5 mA @ 2 kV. The resistors shown provide ballasting. The starting circuit cannot maintain the 10 kV under load and appears as a series-pass circuit with little drop in voltage.

## HANDHELD LASER

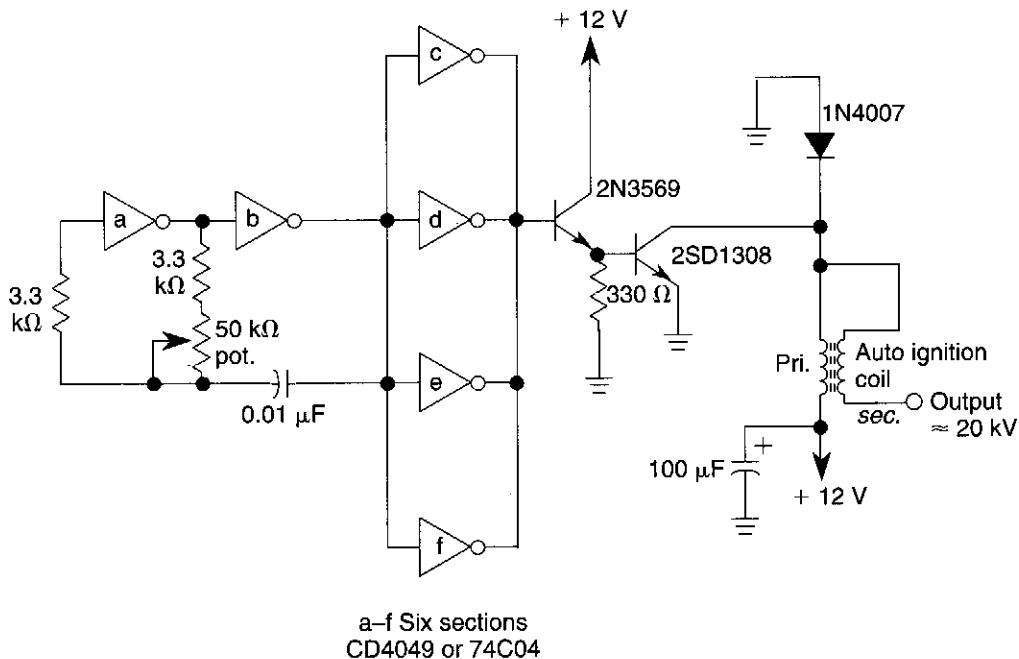


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FIG. 47-3

A laser diode TOLD9200 (Toshiba) is used as a source of laser light. Q3, Q2, and S1 form a touch switch to control the laser. L1 is an RF pickup coil to pick up energy from an RF-type battery charger. It is 10 turns of #18 wire on a 1/2" diameter.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY

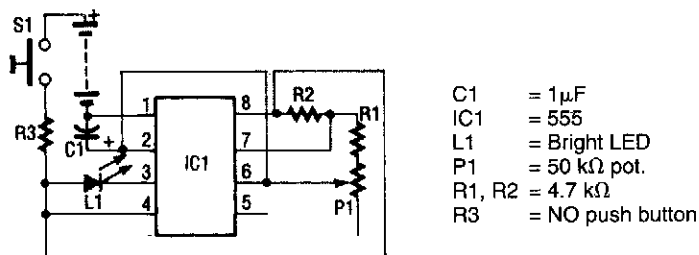


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FIG. 47-4

The high-voltage power supply is a CMOS-based oscillator that pulses a high-voltage ignition transformer. The transformer output is around 20 kV.

## FANTASTIC SIMULATED LASER

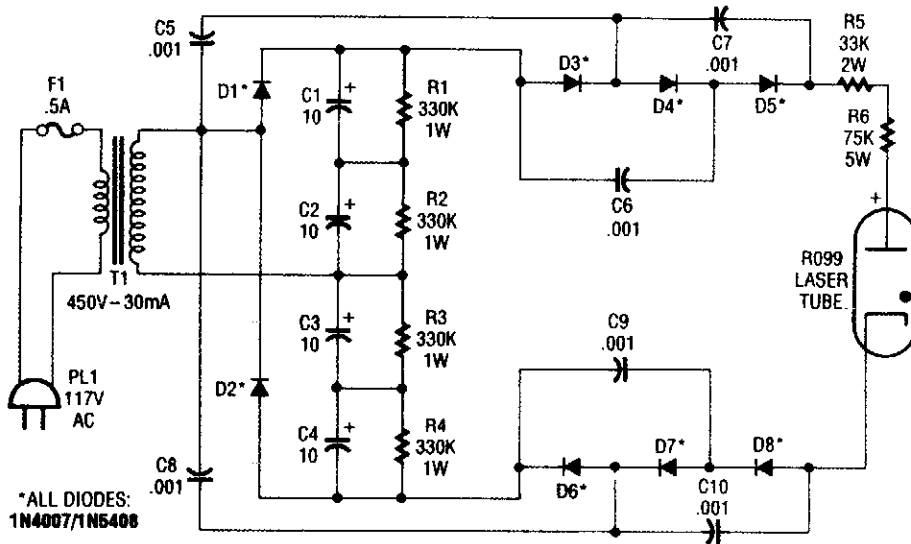


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FIG. 47-5

The circuit uses a 555 timer IC to power an ultrabright LED. The output is a pulsing red light that can be projected using lenses. An ultrabright Stanley LED, capable of 300-millicandle output, is tied to pin 3 of the 555 timer IC. That IC has been configured as an astable multivibrator. The frequency of this multivibrator is controlled by R1, R2, C1, and P1. You can vary the frequency by adjusting P1, which changes the output from a slow blinking to a fast pulsating light. Resistor R3 is used to limit the current flowing into the circuit to a safe value, to prevent the LED and the IC from burning out. Switch S1 applies power to the circuit when its button is pressed.

## LASER POWER SUPPLY



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FIG. 47-6

This supply generates an initial high voltage for ignition purposes. After ignition, the supply generates about 1300 to 1500 V. If a higher ignition voltage (than the 6000 V supplied) is necessary, more multiplier stages can be added to D5 and D8.

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## Lie Detector Circuit

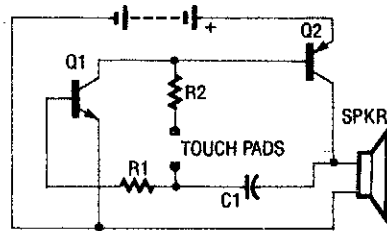
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Simple Lie Detector

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## SIMPLE LIE DETECTOR



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FIG. 48-1

The circuit uses a two-transistor direct-coupled oscillator that has a frequency determined by C1, R2, and the (skin) resistance across the touch pads. Since C1 and R2 are fixed values, only the skin resistance across the touch pads can vary the sound of the oscillator. To sustain oscillations, C1 feeds a portion of the output from Q2 back to the input of Q1 through resistor R1.

Transistor Q1 is an npn type and transistor Q2 is a pnp type. The output of Q2 is fed into a small speaker. The circuit relies on the fact that the human skin conducts electricity.

|    |                         |
|----|-------------------------|
| C1 | 0.01- $\mu$ F Capacitor |
| Q1 | 2N3904 Transistor       |
| Q2 | 2N3906 Transistor       |
| R1 | 4.7 k $\Omega$ Resistor |
| R2 | 82 k $\Omega$ Resistor  |

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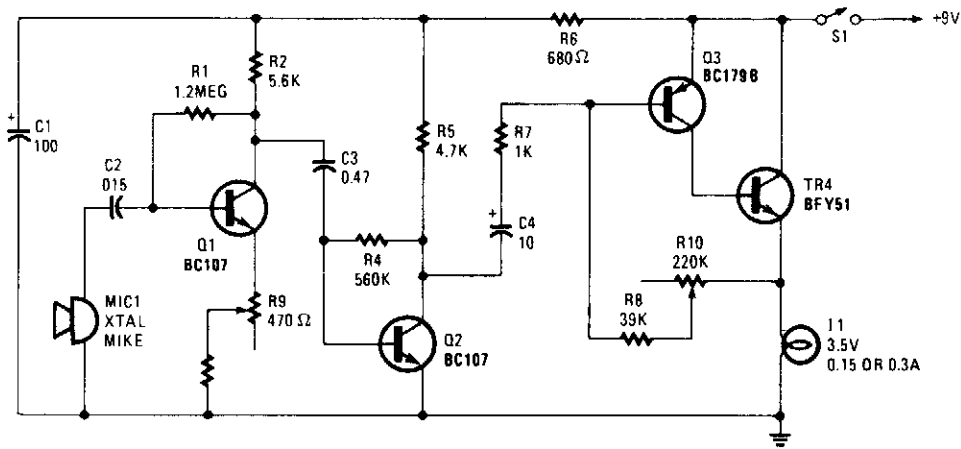
## Light Beam Communication Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Modulated Light Transmitter  
Modulated Light Receiver  
FM Light-Beam Receiver  
FM Light-Beam Transmitter  
Light-Wave Voice-Communication Transmitter  
Light-Wave Voice-Communication Receiver  
Visible-Light Audio Transmitter  
Visible-Light Receiver

## MODULATED LIGHT TRANSMITTER

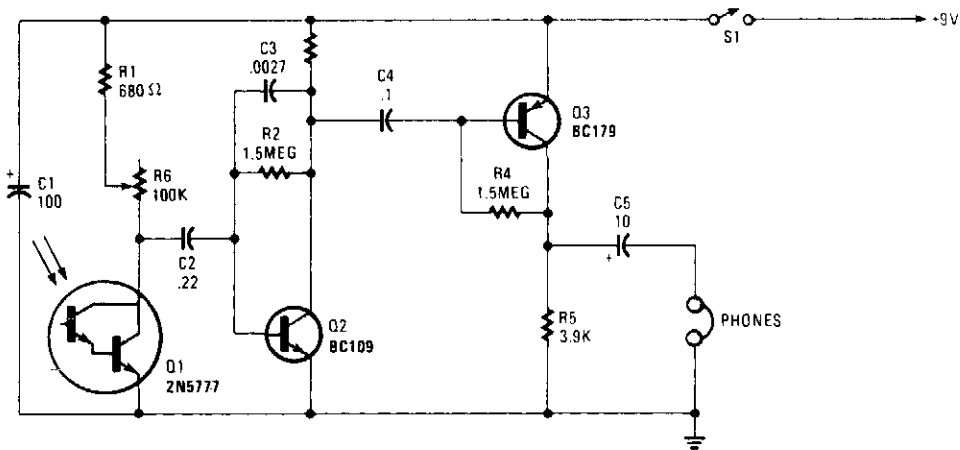


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 49-1

A light-bulb filament can be modulated with audio as a method of optical transmission. Amplifier Q1/Q2/Q3 drives emitter-follower TR4. Adjust R10 for the Q point (light bulb) giving best results. It should have a filament with low thermal inertia for best audio responses.

## MODULATED LIGHT RECEIVER

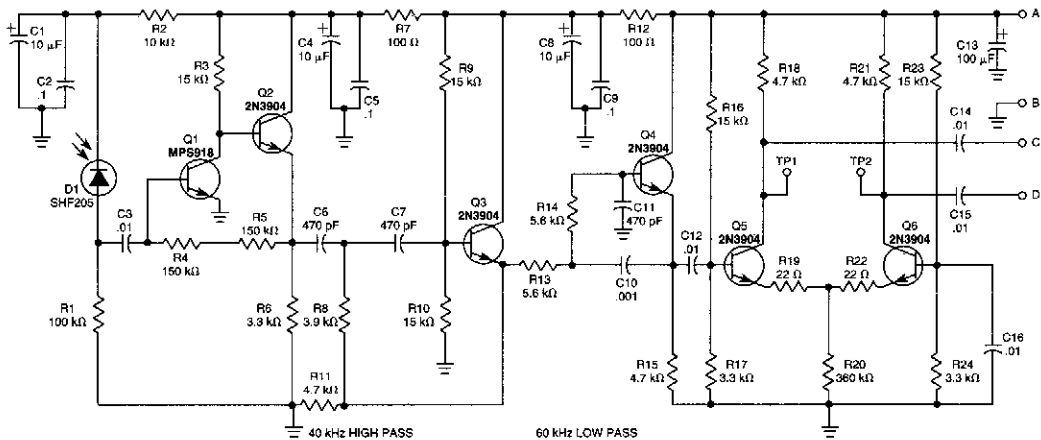


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FIG. 49-2

Using a phototransistor, this receiver will detect and demodulate a modulated light beam. R6 affects sensitivity.

## FM LIGHT BEAM RECEIVER

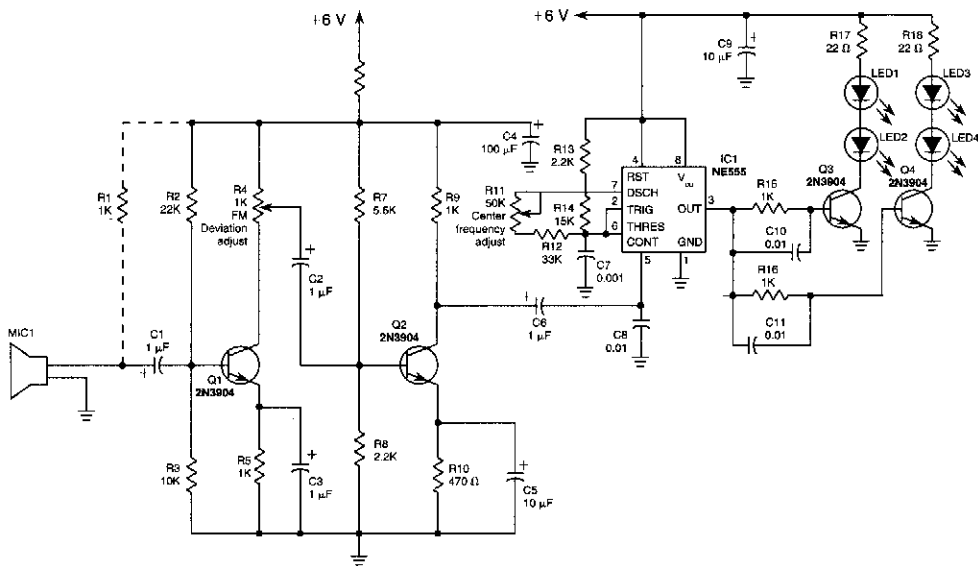


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FIG. 49-3

This receiver will pick up IR or light beams that are frequency modulated on a 50-kHz carrier. Q2/Q1/Q3/Q4 from an active filter and amplifier and differential amp Q5/Q6 provide more gain.

## FM LIGHT-BEAM TRANSMITTER

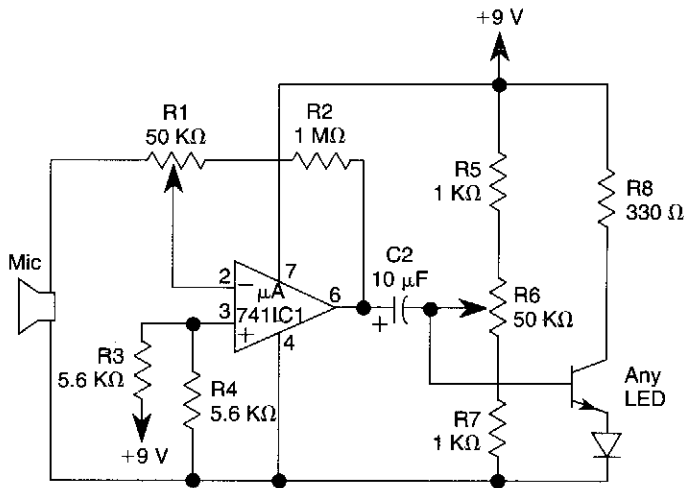


ELECTRONICS NOW

FIG. 49-4

This transmitter uses two-stage amplifier Q1/Q2 to frequency modulate an NE555 (configured as a VCO) operating at about 50 kHz. The resultant FM-modulated pulse train is converted to light pulses via LED1 through LED4, driven by Q3 and Q4.

## LIGHT-WAVE VOICE-COMMUNICATION TRANSMITTER

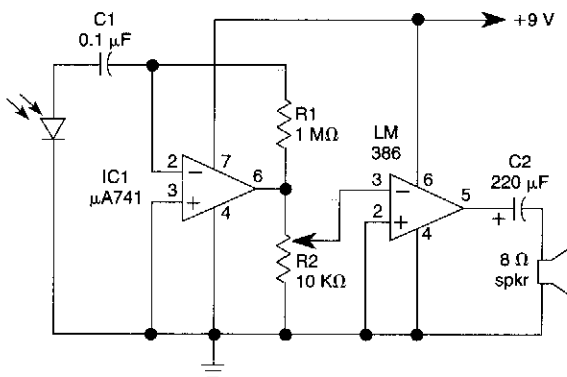


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FIG. 49-5

This transmitter uses a 741 op amp as a high-gain audio amplifier, which is driven by a microphone. The output of the 741 is coupled to Q1, which serves as the driver for a LED. Potentiometer R1 is the amplifier's gain control. Miniature trimmer resistor R6 permits adjustment of the base bias of Q1 for best transmitter performance. Gain control R1 can be eliminated if C1 and R2 are connected directly to pin 2 of the 741. For maximum sensitivity, increase the value of R<sub>2</sub> from 1 to 10 MΩ and use a crystal microphone with a large diaphragm.

## LIGHT-WAVE VOICE-COMMUNICATION RECEIVER

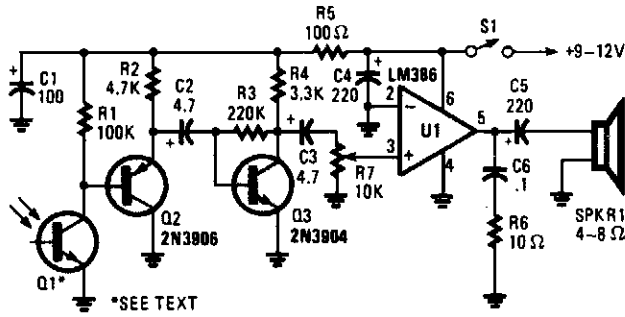


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FIG. 49-6

This light-wave receiver consists of a 741 operated as a preamplifier and an LM386 operated as a power amplifier. Potentiometer R2 is the gain control. Various kinds of detectors can be used as the front end of the receiver. Phototransistors are very sensitive, but they do not work well in the presence of too much ambient light. A 100-kΩ series resistor is required if you use a phototransistor. Solar cells, photodiodes, and LEDs of the same semiconductor as the transmitter all work well in this circuit.

## VISIBLE-LIGHT RECEIVER

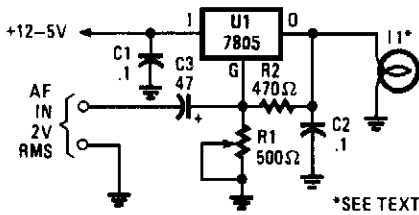


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 49-7

This receiver for amplitude-modulated light signals uses phototransistor Q1 mounted in a parabolic reflector (to increase range). Any npn phototransistor should work. Emitter-follower Q2 drives amplifier Q3. The output from Q3 feeds volume control R7 and audio amplifier U1. A 9- to 12-V supply is recommended for the receiver.

## VISIBLE-LIGHT AUDIO TRANSMITTER



In the visible-light transmitter, a 7805 voltage regulator is connected in a variable-voltage configuration, and an audio signal is fed to the common input, to modulate the output voltage. The modulated output voltage is used to transmit intelligence via an incandescent lamp.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 49-8

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## Light Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Light Sequencer

Holiday Light Sequencer

Automatic Porch-Light Control

Dimmer for Low Voltage Loads

Three-Power-Level Triac Controller

Phase-Controlled Dimmer

120-ac Shimmering Light

Simple Triac Circuit

Running Light Sequencer

MOS Lamp Driver

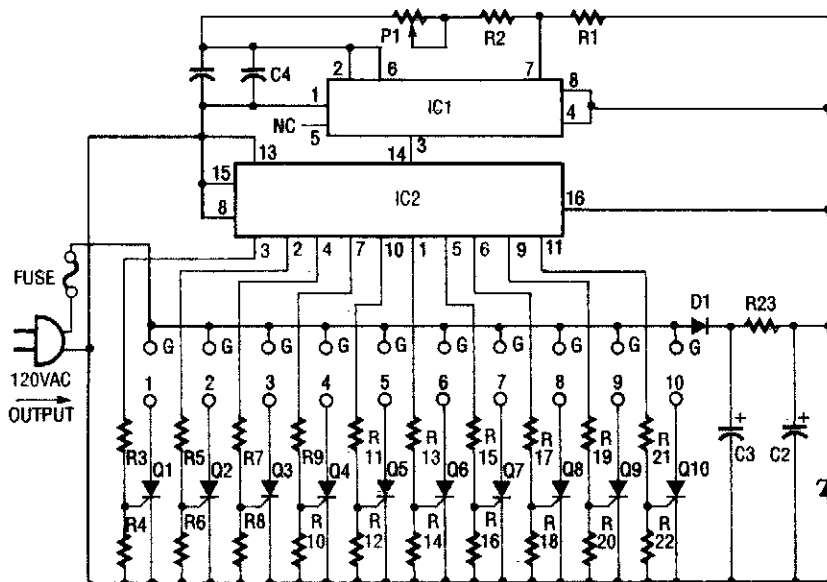
CMOS Touch Dimmer

Neon Lamp Driver for 9-V Supplies

Sensitive Triac Controller

Halogen Lamp Protector

## LIGHT SEQUENCER



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FIG. 50-1

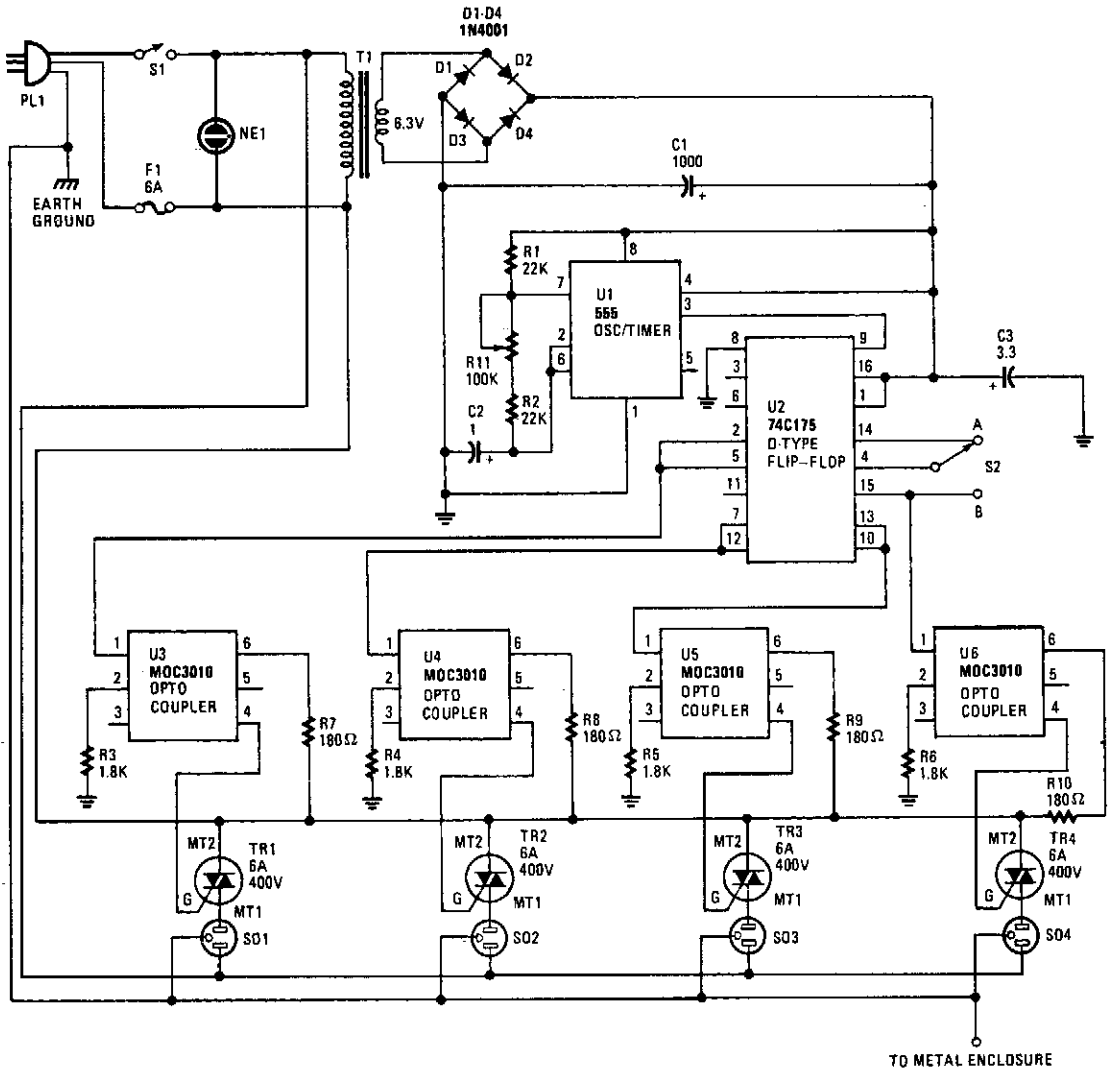
The light sequencer uses two ICs and 10 SCRs to create an ac sequencer. The first IC, a 555 timer, is used to provide clock pulses for IC2. The IC is configured as an astable multivibrator, and its output is on pin 3.

Capacitors C1 and C4, along with resistor R2 and potentiometer P1, control the frequency of the pulses. IC2 is a 4017 Johnson counter, which shifts a high-signal level to each one of its 10 output pins in sequence. Each output pin is resistively coupled to the gate lead on an SCR. When the respective output pin on the 4017 is high and the positive half of the ac cycle is on the anode lead of the SCR, it turns on. The lamp that is connected to its anode lights.

Power is brought into the PC board by the line cord, then the circuit is fuse-protected. Diode D1 changes the ac to pulsating, which is smoothed by C2 and C3. R23 limits the current, and zener diode D2 limits the dc voltage to 6 Vdc.

|         |   |               |                            |
|---------|---|---------------|----------------------------|
| IC1, C4 | 0.1- $\mu$ F Capacitor                    | R2, R4, R6,   |                            |
| C2      | 100- $\mu$ F Capacitor                    | R8, R10, R12, |                            |
| C3      | 47- $\mu$ F, 350-V Electrolytic Capacitor | R14, R16, R18 |                            |
| D1      | 1N4007 Diode                              | R20, R22      | 100-k $\Omega$ Resistor    |
| D2      | 6-V Zener (M747814)                       | R3, R5, R7    |                            |
| IC1     | 555 Timer IC                              | R9, R11, R13  |                            |
| IC2     | 4017 CMOS IC                              | R15, R17, R19 |                            |
| P1      | 500-k $\Omega$ Potentiometer              | R21           | 2.2-k $\Omega$ Resistor    |
| Q1-Q10  | 106 SCR                                   | R23           | 15-k $\Omega$ 7-W Resistor |
| R1      | 560- $\Omega$ Resistor                    |               |                            |

# HOLIDAY LIGHT SEQUENCER





## HOLIDAY LIGHT SEQUENCER (*Cont.*)

Integrated circuit U1 (a 555 oscillator/timer) is wired as a conventional pulse generator. The frequency of the pulse generator is controlled by potentiometer R11. Resistor R2 puts a reasonable limit on the highest speed attainable.

The output of the pulse generator is fed to the common clock input of U2, a 74C175 quad D-type flip-flop. Each flip-flop is configured so that its Q output is coupled to the D input of the subsequent flip-flop.

Information on the D input of each flip-flop is transferred to the Q (and  $\bar{Q}$ ) outputs on the leading edge of each clock pulse. Switch S2 allows you to invert the information on the D input of the first flip-flop at any time during the cycle. This allows you to create a number of different sequences, which are determined by the state of the CQ output at the time of the switching.

Some of the possible sequences are:

- 1 through 4 on, 1 through 4 off;
- 1 of 4 on sequence;
- 1 of 4 off sequence;
- 2 of 4 on sequence;
- 1 and 3 on to 2 and 4 off;
- and other instances when the sequence of events is difficult to determine.

However, if S2 is switched to position B while all outputs are high or all are low (which seldom occurs), the sequence stops and the outputs remain either all on or all off. If that happens, you only need to switch back to position A for at least one pulse duration, then back to position B again.

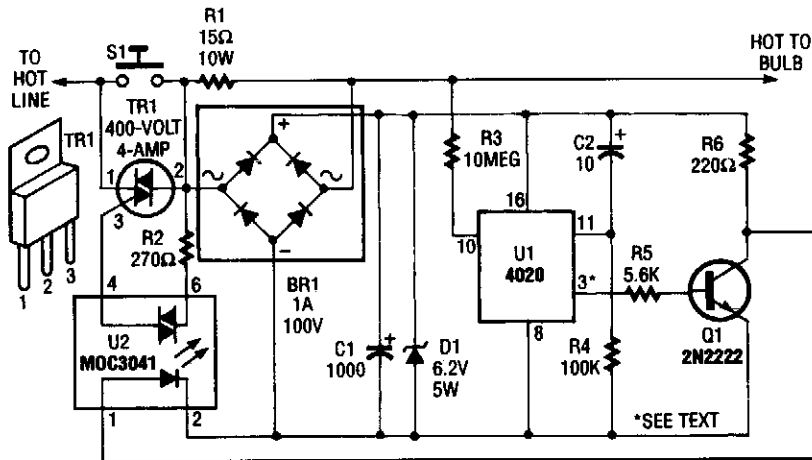
Likewise, S2 should be in position A (pin 4 connected to pin 14) each time the power is turned on. This is because the data on pin 4 must be a logic 1 in order to start a sequence; otherwise all outputs remain at logic 0, regardless of the clock pulses.

Each output of the sequencing circuit is connected to an MOC3010 optoisolator/coupler (U3 through U6), which contains an infrared-emitting diode with an infrared-sensitive diac (triac driver or trigger) in close proximity. The diac triggers the triac, which carries the 117-volts ac.

Each time that the infrared-emitting diode receives a logic 1, it turns on and causes the diac to conduct. With the optoisolator/coupler's internal diac conducting, the triac turns on, and power is supplied to whatever load is plugged into the corresponding ac socket. So, the sequencing circuit and the 117-V ac outputs are "optically coupled" and are effectively isolated from each other.

Power for the sequencing circuit is provided by a 6.3-V miniature transformer. The output of the transformer is rectified by a four-diode bridge circuit, the output of which is filtered by C1 (1000- $\mu$ F electrolytic capacitor). Capacitor C3 is added at the supply pin of U2 to suppress transients.

## AUTOMATIC PORCH-LIGHT CONTROL

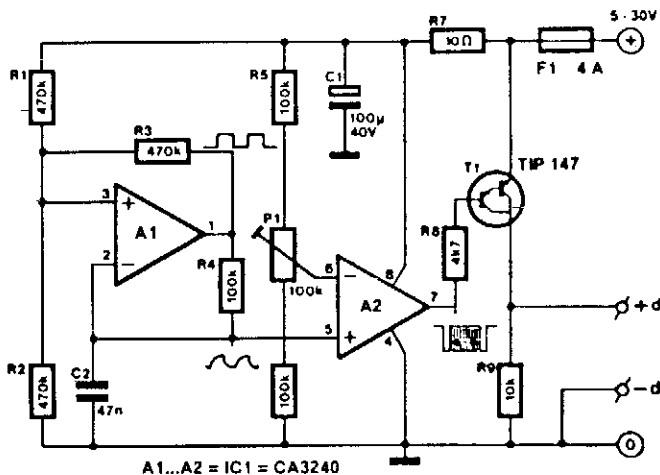


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FIG. 50-3

The automatic porch-light control circuit holds a triac on until a 4020 divider counts a number of 60-Hz powerline pulses. The circuit turns off a light after a predetermined time by using pins other than pin 3 of U1. Various times can be set. Consult the 4020 data sheet for information.

## DIMMER FOR LOW VOLTAGE LOADS

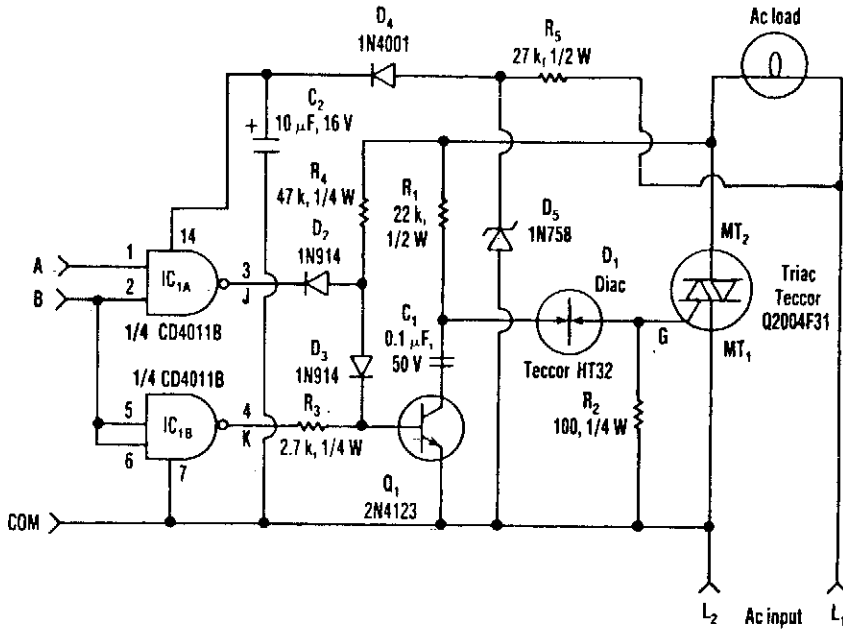


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FIG. 50-4

This circuit controls a low voltage dc supply by pulse width modulation. The switching rate is 200-Hz. Input supply voltage should be +5 to +30 V. Up to 5 A can be controlled.

## THREE-POWER-LEVEL TRIAC CONTROLLER

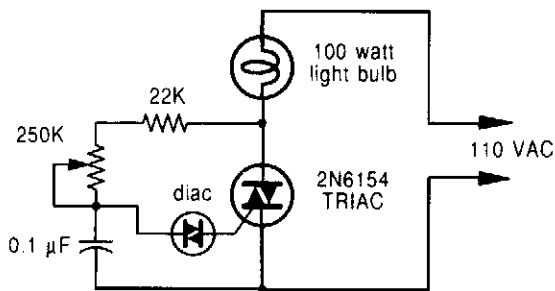


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**FIG. 50-5**

Three power levels are supplied by the two logic inputs of this enhanced circuit. R5, D4, D5, and C2 form a power supply for the logic IC. They can be omitted if another source of low voltage is available.

## PHASE-CONTROLLED DIMMER



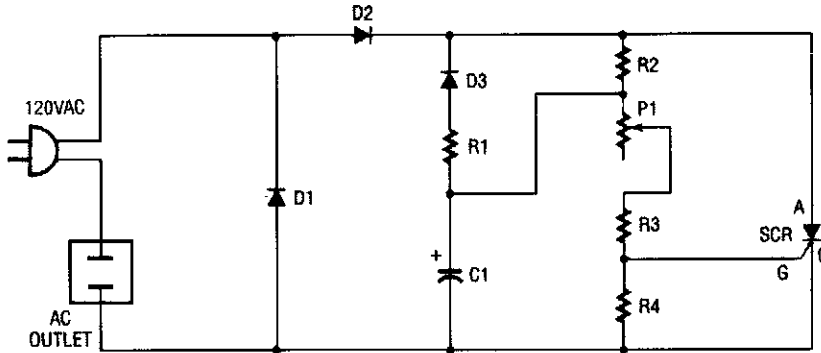
**WARNING: Extreme shock hazard!**

A phase-controlled dimmer delays the triac turn-on to a selected point in each successive ac half cycle. Use this circuit only for incandescent lamps, heaters, soldering irons, or "universal" motors that have brushes.

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**FIG. 50-6**

## 120-ac SHIMMERING LIGHT



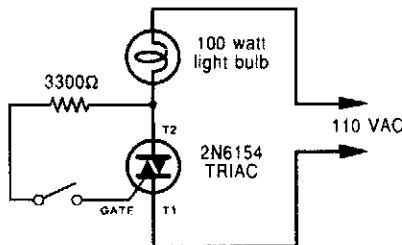
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FIG. 50-7

You can turn any ordinary household bulb into one that shimmers or blinks. This circuit works on any incandescent light up to 200 W, and runs on standard 120 Vac. The circuit uses an SCR to cause an ordinary lamp to shimmer. Note that one side of the lamp is connected directly to 120 Vac, and the other side of the lamp goes to the cathode of the SCR. As ac voltage is brought into the circuit through the line cord, it is full-wave rectified by diodes D1 and D2. That changes the ac to dc, and a portion of that dc voltage is applied to capacitor C1 through R2. Diode D3 blocks the (+) dc voltage so that only the voltage from the path of R1 and D3 is clear. That forms an oscillator, which has a frequency determined by the setting of potentiometer P1 (because the other components have fixed values).

Remember to use **extreme caution** when using a device that connects to the ac line. **Never** use it outside or near water and always mount the entire kit inside a wooden or plastic (insulated) box to prevent any contact with the ac voltage.

## SIMPLE TRIAC CIRCUIT



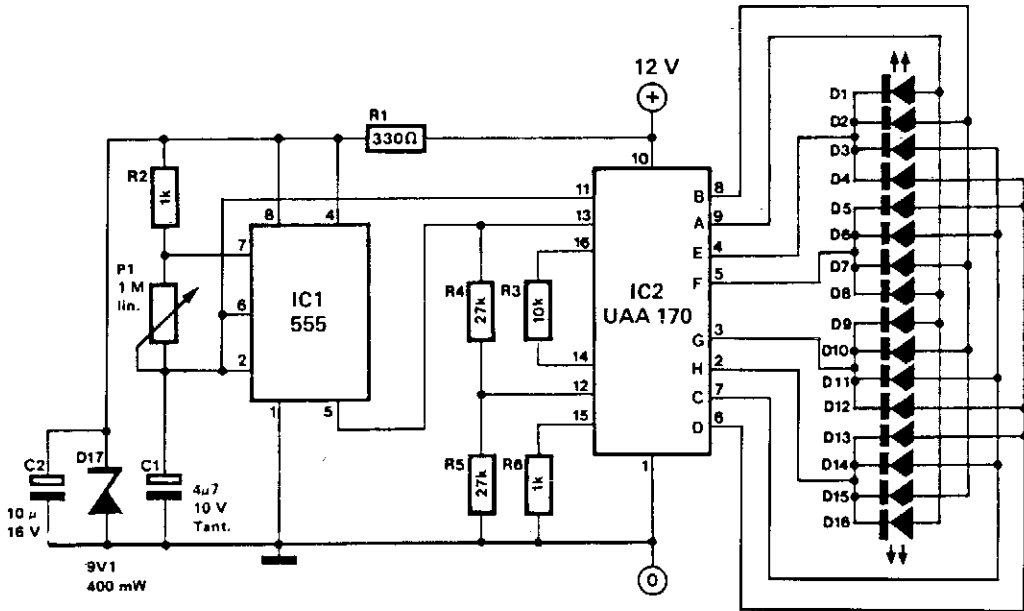
**WARNING: Extreme shock hazard!**

A triac can be used as a line-operated ac power switch that can directly control lamps, heaters, or motors. A brief and small current pulse into the gate turns the triac on; it remains on until the main current reverses.

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FIG. 50-8

## RUNNING LIGHT SEQUENCE

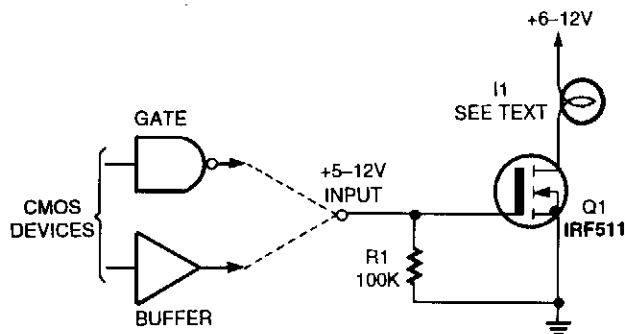


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FIG. 50-9

This running light sequencer drives 16 LEDs and runs from a 12-V supply. C1 can be varied to alter the rate of operation.

## MOS LAMP DRIVER



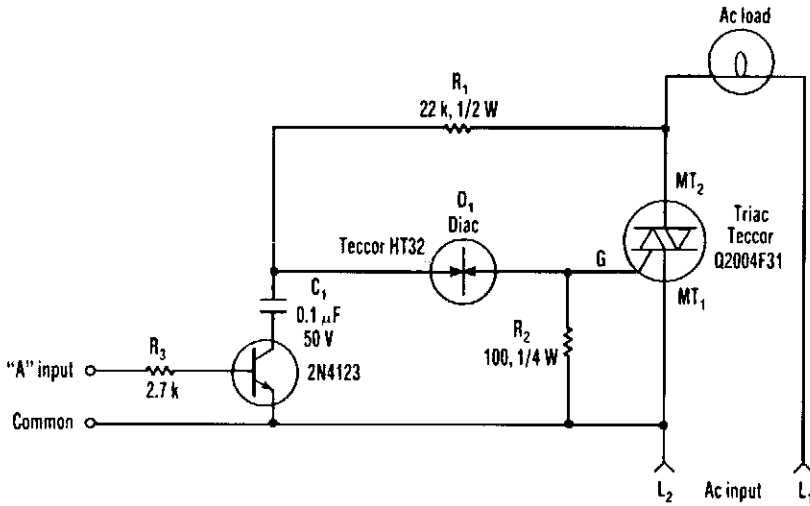
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FIG. 50-10

The circuit shows a way of using a MOSFET as a load driver. I1 can be a lamp, or any other load, that does not exceed the current rating of Q1.



## SENSITIVE TRIAC CONTROLLER

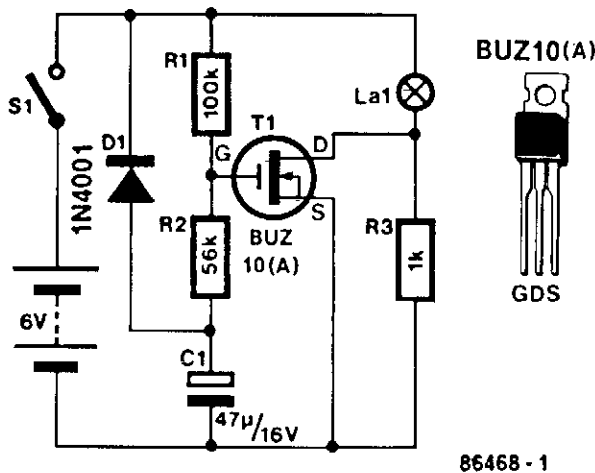


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FIG. 50-13

The single transistor connected between the capacitor and the common side of the ac line allows a logic-level signal to control this triac power circuit. Resistor R2 prevents false triggering of the triac by the trickle current through the diac.

## HALOGEN LAMP PROTECTOR



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FIG. 50-14

This circuit produces a soft turn-on for halogen lamp filaments upon powering up. MOSFET used is a BUZ10, which has  $0.2 \Omega R_{DS}$ . R1, R2, and C1 set the turn-on rate and D1 discharges C1 at turn-off.

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## Light-Controlled Circuits

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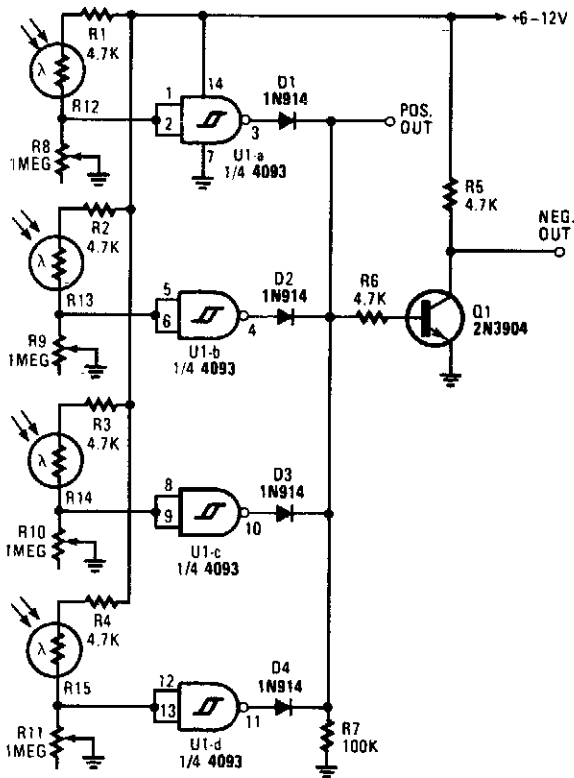
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Light-Dependent Sensor for Multiple Inputs  
Simple Light-Activated Alarm  
Precision Dark-Activated Switch with Hysteresis  
Combined Light-/Dark-Activated Switch  
Outdoor Light Controller  
Dark-Activated Relay with Hysteresis  
Porch Light Control  
Dark-Activated Switch

Photoelectric Sensor  
Precision Light-Sensitive Relay Switch  
Self-Latching Light-Activated Switch  
Simple Nonlatching Photocell Switch  
Light-Controlled Oscillator  
Phototransistor Circuits  
Dark-Activated Relay



## LIGHT-DEPENDENT SENSOR FOR MULTIPLE INPUTS

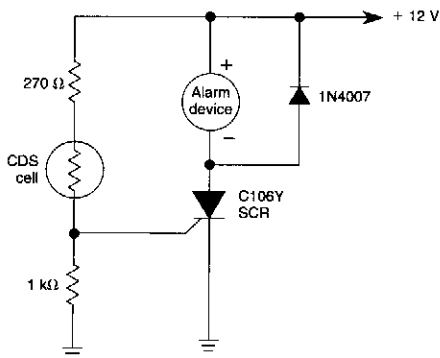


This light-dependent sensor uses LDRs to detect the presence or absence of light. As long as the light source striking the LDRs remains constant, the alarm does not sound. But when the light is interrupted, the alarm is triggered.

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FIG. 51-1

## SIMPLE LIGHT-ACTIVATED ALARM

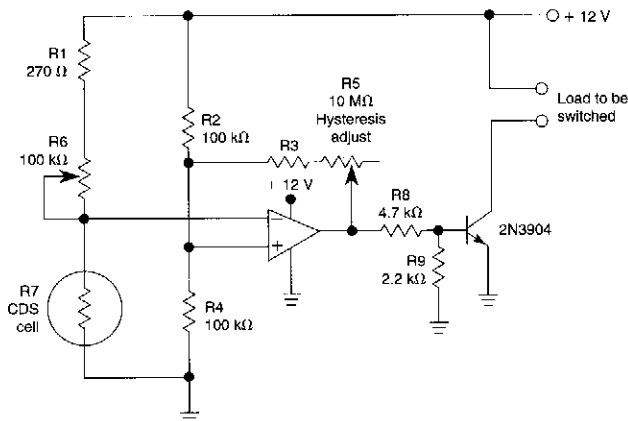


A cadmium-sulfide photocell conducts when a light beam strikes it. This triggers the SCR and activates the alarm device.

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FIG. 51-2

## PRECISION DARK-ACTIVATED SWITCH WITH HYSTERESIS

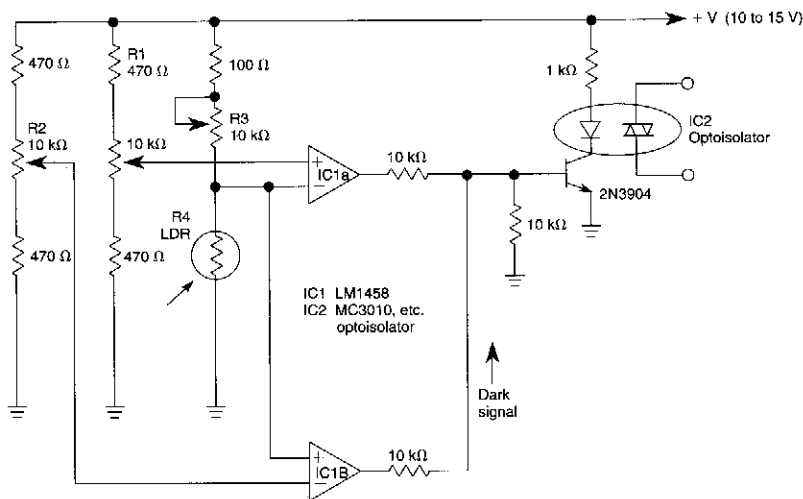


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FIG. 51-3

A CdS cell is one leg of a bridge circuit. Potentiometer R6 in another leg sets the trip point. Potentiometer R5 provides hysteresis adjustment to prevent "chattering" or hunting of the relay. The light level has to increase noticeably before the 2N3904 turns off and the circuit deactivates.

## COMBINED LIGHT-/DARK-ACTIVATED SWITCH



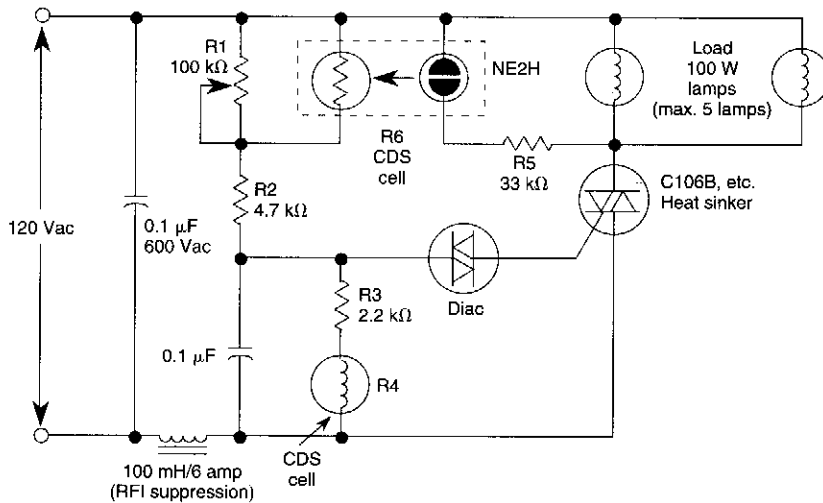
Set R4 so  $1/2$  of  $V_{CC}$  appears across R3.  
Set R2 for dark trip point.  
Set R1 for light trip point.

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FIG. 51-4

Two op amps used in a bridge circuit configuration detect high and low light levels. Potentiometer R2 sets the dark level and R1 controls the light level. R3 is set so that about  $1/2$  the supply voltage appears across R4 at the desired light level. R1 and R2 set the trip point of the optoisolator IC2 at darker or lighter ambient levels, as required.

## OUTDOOR LIGHT CONTROLLER



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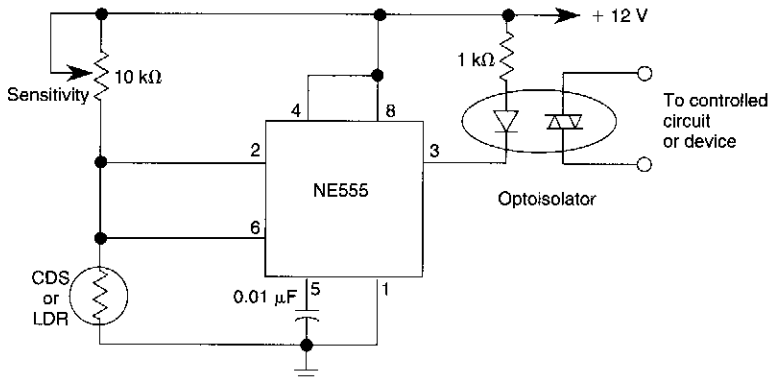
FIG. 51-5

A neon bulb and a CdS photocell enclosed in a light-tight enclosure form an optocoupler. A diac/triac combination is used to provide the snap-switch effect. A second CdS photocell acts as the main sensor.

As darkness approaches, the resistance of R4 begins to increase. At a threshold level, the diac triggers the triac and causes the neon bulb to light. This reduces the resistance of R6, causing the diac to trigger the triac, which lights the neon bulb and provides power to the load.

As morning light comes up, the process is reversed. The neon bulb goes out and the SCR turns off.

## DARK-ACTIVATED RELAY WITH HYSTERESIS

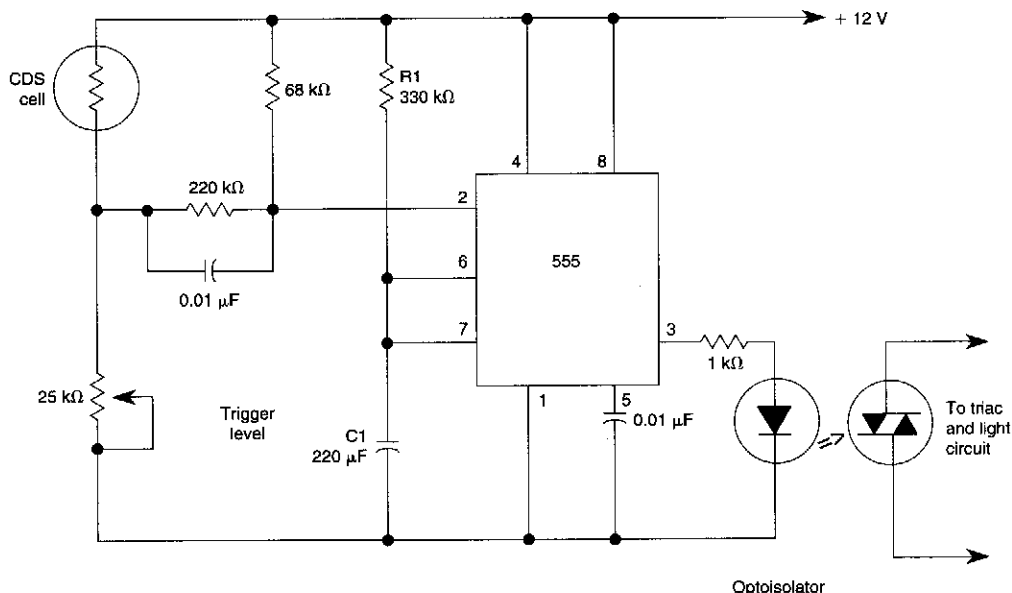


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FIG. 51-6

The hysteresis of a 555 IC can be used to advantage for sensing a drop in light. An LDR or CDS cell with about 2 to 8 k resistance at desired light level should be used.

## PORCH LIGHT CONTROL

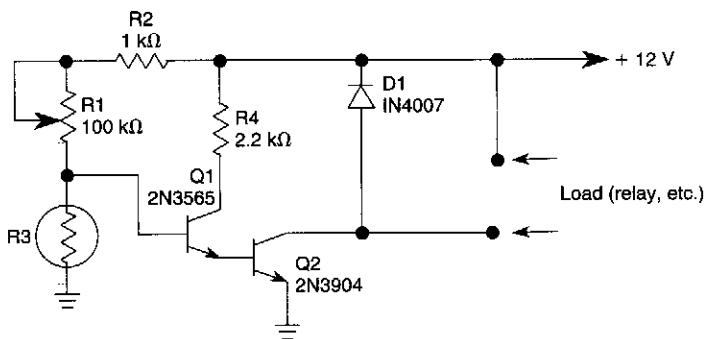


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FIG. 51-7

This circuit can control the on/off cycle of a light via a CDS photocell, and turn it off after a pre-set period. The light can only be turned on when CDS cell is in darkness, and it stays on for a time determined by the 555 circuit. On time depends on R1 and C1 and is about 80 seconds with the values shown.

## DARK-ACTIVATED SWITCH

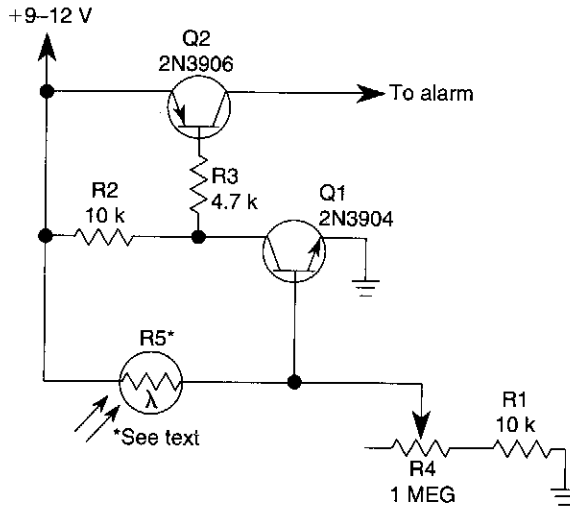


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FIG. 51-8

In this circuit, lowering of the light level on the CDS cell turns on Q1 and Q2 which switches on the load which could be a relay, light, etc.

## PHOTOELECTRIC SENSOR



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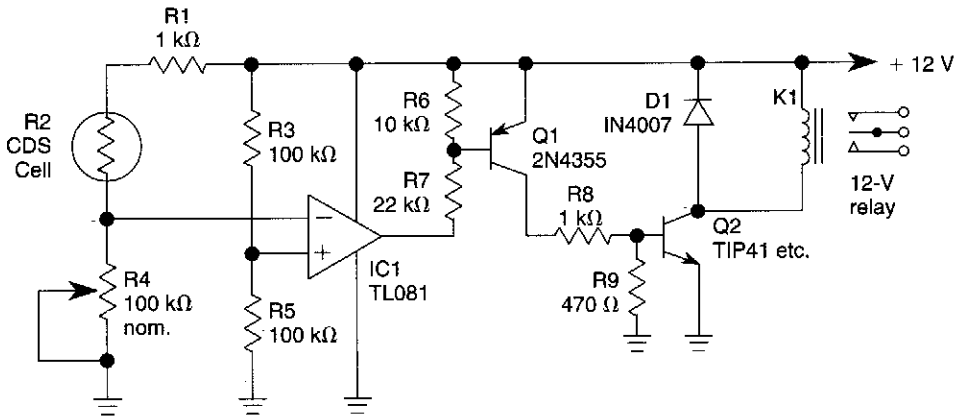
FIG. 51-9

The circuit can be used as a sensor that can trigger an alarm without direct contact being made by the intruder. In this circuit, a visible or invisible light source radiates on the sensor, keeping the detection loop in what could essentially be called a normally closed condition.

As long as the light source striking R5 remains uninterrupted, the switch remains closed. But if an intruder passes between the light source and the sensor, the circuit goes from closed to open, and triggers the alarm.

A light-dependent resistor (LDR), whose resistance varies inversely with the amount of light hitting its sensitive surface, is used. A bright light aimed at R5 causes its internal resistance to drop as low as a few hundred ohms; in total darkness, the unit's resistance can rise to several megohms. The light-dependent resistor (R5) is connected between the +V supply and the base of Q1. As long as R5 detects light, it supplies ample base current to cause Q1's collector to saturate to near ground level. That also pulls the base of Q2 (a 2N3906 general-purpose pnp transistor) to near ground level, turning it on and clamping its collector to the +V rail.

## PRECISION LIGHT-SENSITIVE RELAY SWITCH

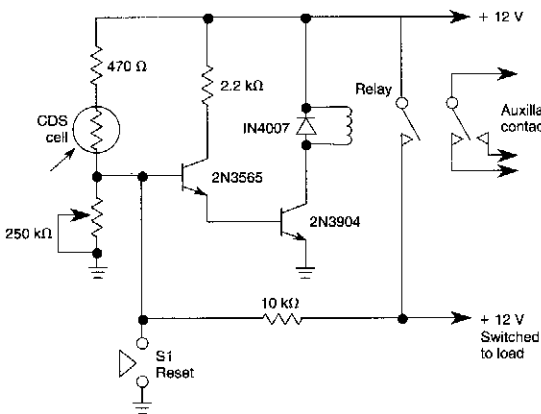


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FIG. 51-10

A CDS cell in a bridge circuit with an op amp provides a simple means of operating a relay at a predetermined light level. Potentiometer R4 sets the sensitivity.

### SELF-LATCHING LIGHT-ACTIVATED SWITCH

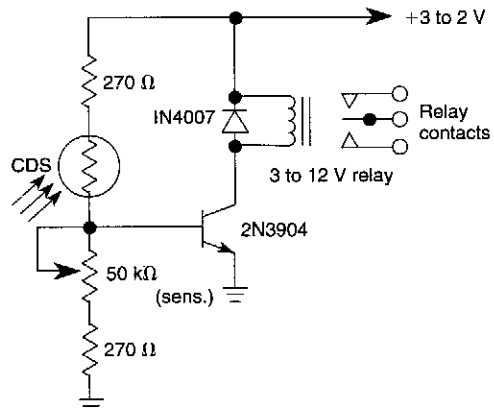


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FIG. 51-11

When light strikes the CDS cell it turns on the transistors which activates the relay which latches. Depressing S1 grounds the base of the 2N3565 and the relay resets. The 250 k potentiometer adjusts the sensitivity of the circuit.

### SIMPLE NONLATCHING PHOTOCELL SWITCH

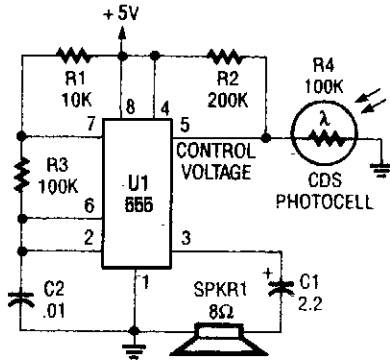


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FIG. 51-12

A CDS photocell is used to drive the relay. The circuit operates from a +12 V supply.

## LIGHT-CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

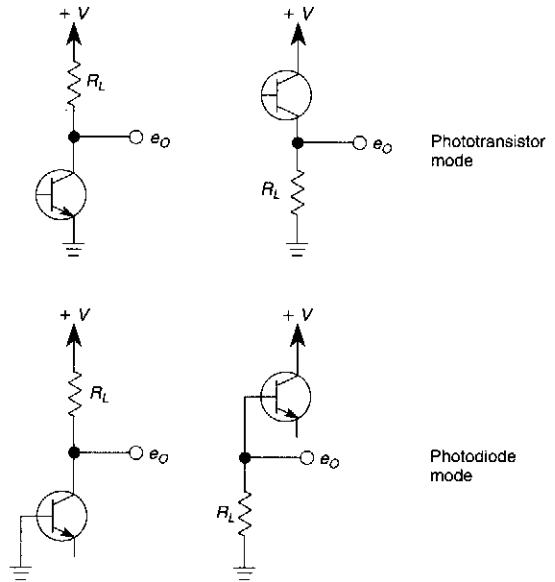


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FIG. 51-13

This circuit can be used as a light detector and possibly as an aid for the visually handicapped. The frequency of the oscillator is determined by the amount of illumination striking LDR4.

## PHOTOTRANSISTOR CIRCUITS

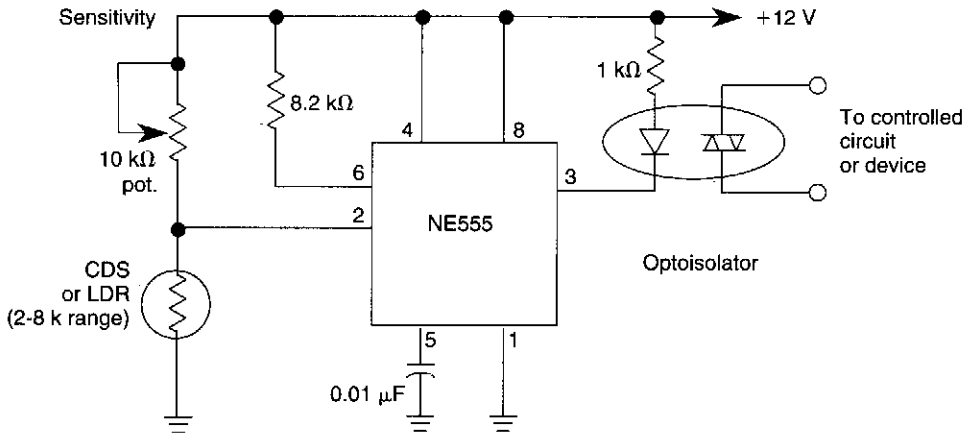


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FIG. 51-14

Here are four ways to connect a phototransistor for general use in phototransistor circuits.

## DARK-ACTIVATED RELAY



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FIG. 51-15

Configuring a 555 IC as shown yields a dark-activated relay with low hysteresis. CDS or LDR should be in the 2 k to 8 k range at desired light level.

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## Light Sources

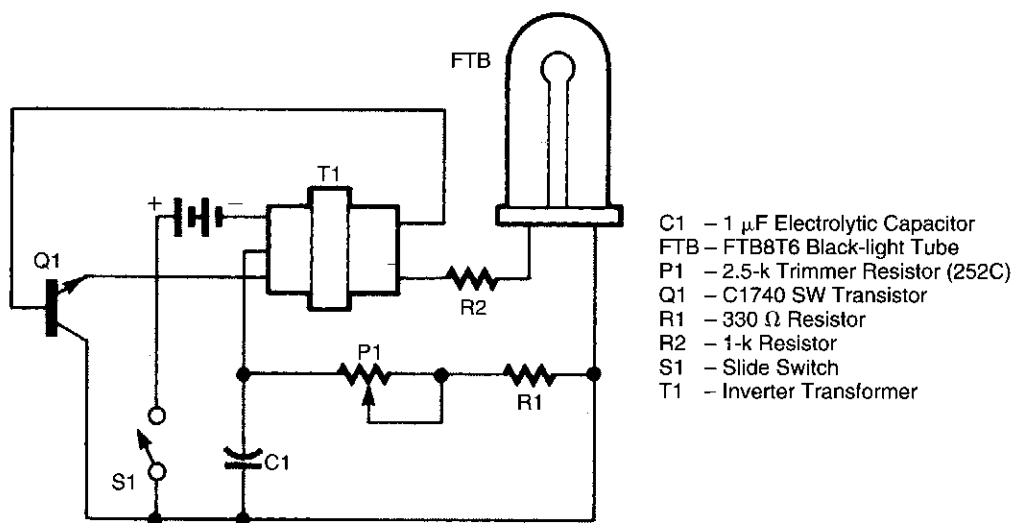
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Battery-Operated Black Light  
Solid-State Light Sources



## BATTERY-OPERATED BLACK LIGHT



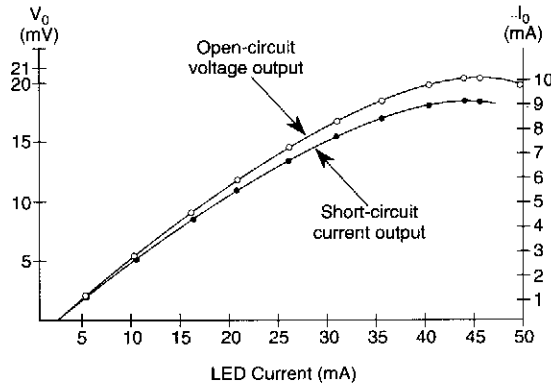
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FIG. 52-1

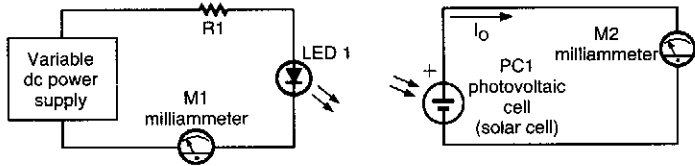
The battery-operated black light uses a “U”-shaped, unfiltered, black-light tube, which requires approximately 250 Vac to operate. To create the 250-Vac 6-V battery, the circuit uses a one-transistor blocking oscillator that drives a ferrite inverter transformer. A blocking oscillator turns itself off after one or more cycles. In this circuit, it consists of C1, P1, Q1, R1, and T1. The oscillations are sustained because the base of Q1 is connected to one of the windings on T1.

Transformer T1 is a step-up transformer that consists of a ferrite core, which has a few turns on the primary and many turns on the secondary. The oscillating (ac) output of Q1 is fed to T1, which, because of its large turns ratio, converts the low-voltage signal into a high-voltage alternating current, which is coupled through resistor R2 to the black-light tube. Resistor R1 and trimmer resistor P1 limit the current flowing through the circuit. As the control on P1 is rotated, more current flows in the circuit, producing a brighter light output.

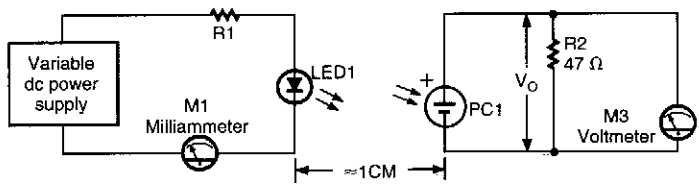
## SOLID-STATE LIGHT SOURCES



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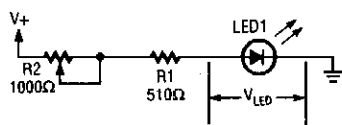


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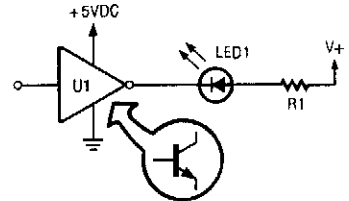


**C**

In A we show two LED output curves derived by experiment. The circuit in B was used to get the data for the short-circuit current plot, while the circuit in C yielded the data for the open-circuit voltage plot.

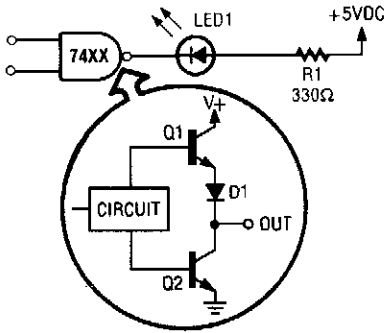


Since LED intensity is linearly related to the input current this circuit can be used to vary the LED's brightness via R2.

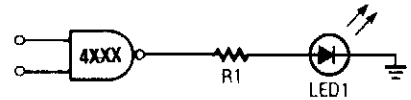


You can drive an LED with an open-collector TTL inverter. The inverter shown must ground the LED to turn it on.

The 12 LED circuits shown are useful for experiments and applications of LED devices. The captions are self-explanatory and illustrate many common LED applications.



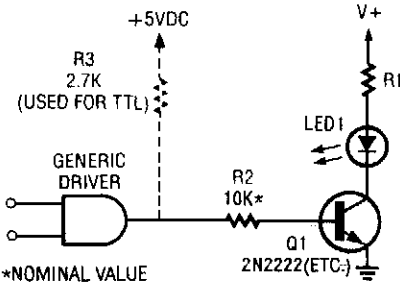
A totem-pole TTL output can drive an LED by grounding the LED's cathode, much like the open-collector driver.



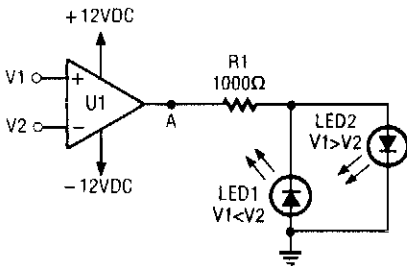
Unlike TTL devices, integrated circuits made with CMOS technology can source enough current to power an LED as shown here.



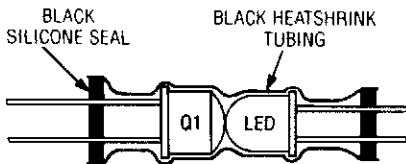
A CMOS-based gate can sink current much like a TTL gate in order to activate an LED.



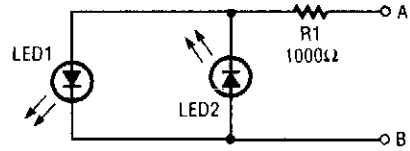
This driver circuit will work for either CMOS or TTL gates, but you don't need R3 in a CMOS-driven circuit.



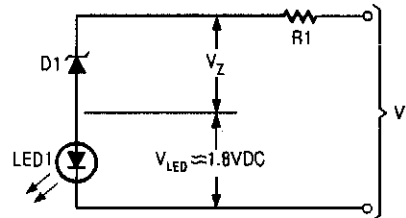
This is a bipolar output indicator that lets you know if one voltage is greater than, less than, or equal to another.



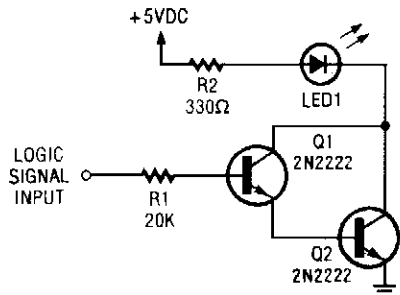
You can "roll your own" optocoupler by using some heat-shrink tubing, an LED, and optical transistor, and silicon sealant as shown here.



This simple polarity checker is easy to build and can be of help if you don't know much about a circuit's wiring or grounding convention.



This is a simpler voltage-level sensor than that shown back in Fig. 9. To use it you have to know the polarity of the voltage it is to monitor.



This high sensitivity Darlington LED driver circuit can be used as a simple logic probe. You may have to vary the value of R1 to suit the circuit under test.

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## Load-Sensing Circuits

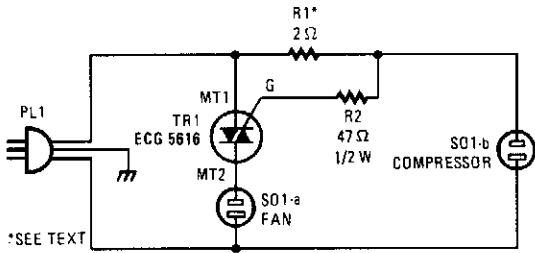
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Load-Sensing Solid-State Switch

Load-Sensing Trigger

## LOAD-SENSING SOLID-STATE SWITCH

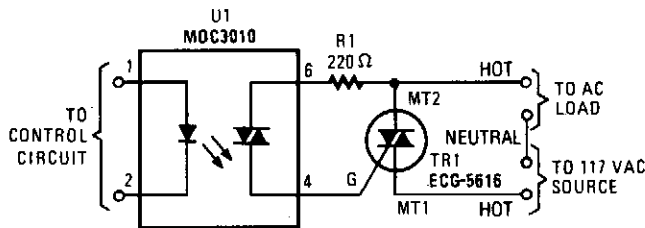


When this triac circuit senses current flow through SO1-a, it activates the device plugged into SO1-b. The values of the resistors must be chosen for the specific devices to be plugged in.

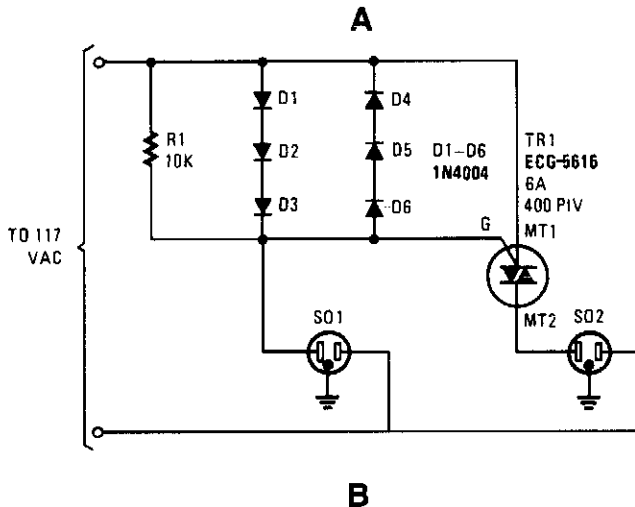
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FIG. 53-1

## LOAD-SENSING TRIGGER



*Triacs can be controlled by low-power circuits through Triac-driver optoisolators as shown here.*



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FIG. 53-2

A device plugged into SO1 causes a voltage-limited gate trigger for triac TR1, and causes power to be applied to SC2.

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## Mathematical Circuits

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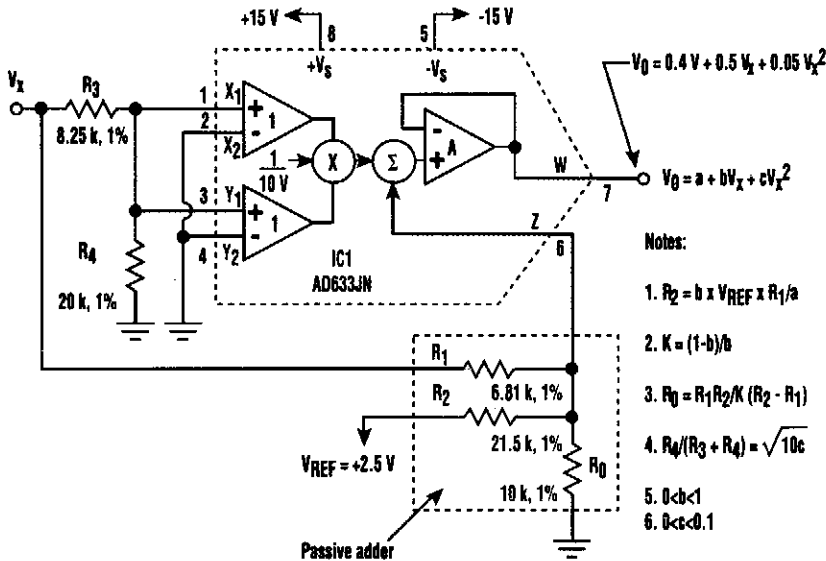
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Second-Order Polynomial Generator

Polar-to-Rectangular Converter and Pattern Generator for Radio Direction Finding

Root Extractor

## SECOND-ORDER POLYNOMIAL GENERATOR



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FIG. 54-1

By using a circuit built with a single analog multiplier and five precision resistors, an output voltage ( $V_o$ ) can be made to create a second-order polynomial.

The circuit implements the following quadratic:

$$V_o = a + bV_x + cV_x^2$$

The input terminals of IC1 are connected to create a positive square term and present the  $V_x$  signal to the output with a 1-10-V scale factor. Incorporating the voltage-divider network (resistors R3 and R4) in the input signal path provides additional attenuation adjustment for the coefficient ( $c$ ) of the square term in the quadratic. Then, the passive adder (resistors R1, R2, and  $R_0$ ) is wired to IC1's internal summing circuit to generate the polynomial's other two terms; the offset term ( $a$ ) and the linear coefficient ( $b$ ).





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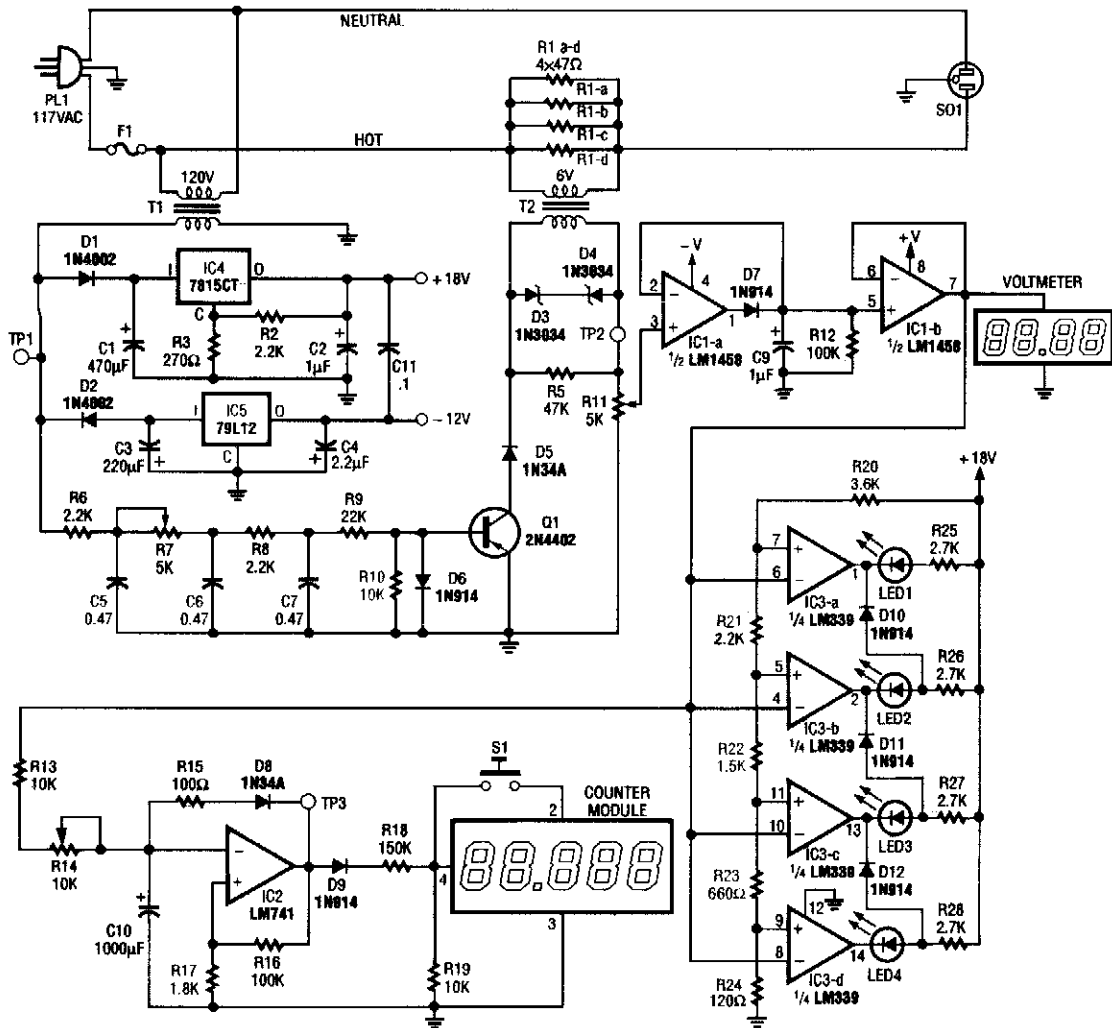
## Measuring and Test Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Energy Consumption Monitor           | Signal Generator                              |
| Harmonic Distortion Analyzer         | Simple Signal Tracer                          |
| Watch Tick Timer                     | DVM Adapter for PC                            |
| Visual Continuity Tester             | Simple Digital Logic Probe                    |
| RC Decade Box                        | S Meter for Communications Receivers          |
| Digital Altimeter                    | LED Expanded Scale Voltmeter                  |
| Electronic Scale                     | 1-kHz Harmonic Distortion Meter               |
| Radar Calibrator                     | Line Voltage-to-Multimeter Adapter            |
| Cable Tester                         | Audible Logic Tester                          |
| Simple Curve Tracer                  | Short Tester for 120-V Equipment              |
| Voltage Level Circuit                | Digital Pressure Gauge                        |
| Low-Drift dc Voltmeter               | Simple Short Finder                           |
| Light Meter                          | Voltage Monitor                               |
| Mercury Switch Tilt Detector         | Linear Inductance Meter                       |
| 50-MHz RF Bridge                     | DeBounce Circuit                              |
| ac Watts Calculator                  | ac Wiring Locator                             |
| Audio-Frequency Meter Circuit        | Audible Continuity Tester                     |
| One-IC Capacitance Tester            | ac Outlet Tester                              |
| Transistor Checker                   | JFET Voltmeter                                |
| Low-Current Ammeter                  | Check for Op-Amp dc Offset Shift              |
| Analog Frequency Meter               | Continuity Tester for Low-Resistance Circuits |
| Electromagnetic Field Sensor         | Supply Voltage Monitor                        |
| Magnetic Proximity Sensor            | Audio-Frequency Meter                         |
| High-Impedance Voltmeter             | Zener Diode Test Set                          |
| Fast Video-Signal Amplitude Measurer |   |

## ENERGY CONSUMPTION MONITOR

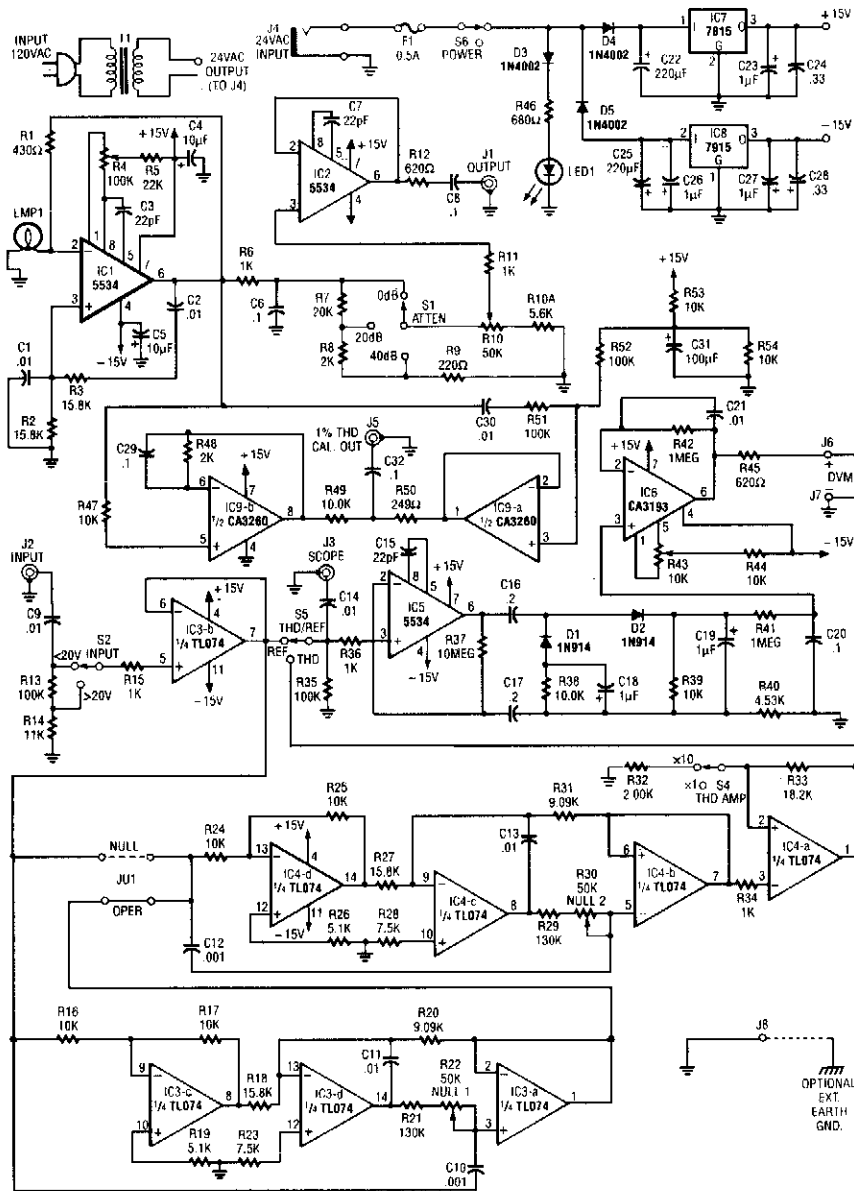


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FIG. 55-1

The ECM circuit consists of four sections, as shown in the block diagram. A power converter generates a voltage that is proportional to the true or real power consumed by the load. That voltage feeds both a bargraph and a voltage-to-pulse converter. The bargraph gives an approximate indication of the amount of power used, and the voltage-to-pulse converter produces a pulse whose frequency is proportional to the power. The pulse triggers the counter module, which displays the cost of powering the monitored load.

# HARMONIC DISTORTION ANALYZER



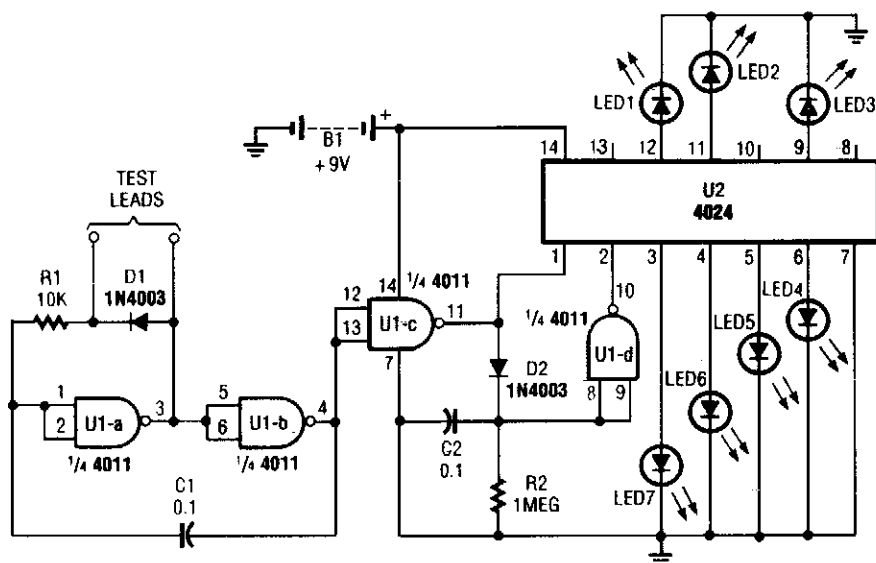
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FIG. 55-2

The circuit includes a low-distortion, 1-kHz oscillator and will measure THD at a user selected voltage level for voltage amplifiers, or for checking amplifiers of power levels to 600 W. It will detect THD levels of .005% (-86 dB). A built-in one-percent THD calibrator is included. The output device is a digital multimeter (DMM).



## VISUAL CONTINUITY TESTER



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FIG. 55-4

By judging the rate at which a particular LED flashes, you'll be able to estimate the resistance. The circuit consists of two IC's (1 4011 CMOS quad 2-input NAND gate, U1; and a 4024 binary counter, U2), seven LEDs, and a handful of additional components. All of the gates in U1 are wired as inverters.

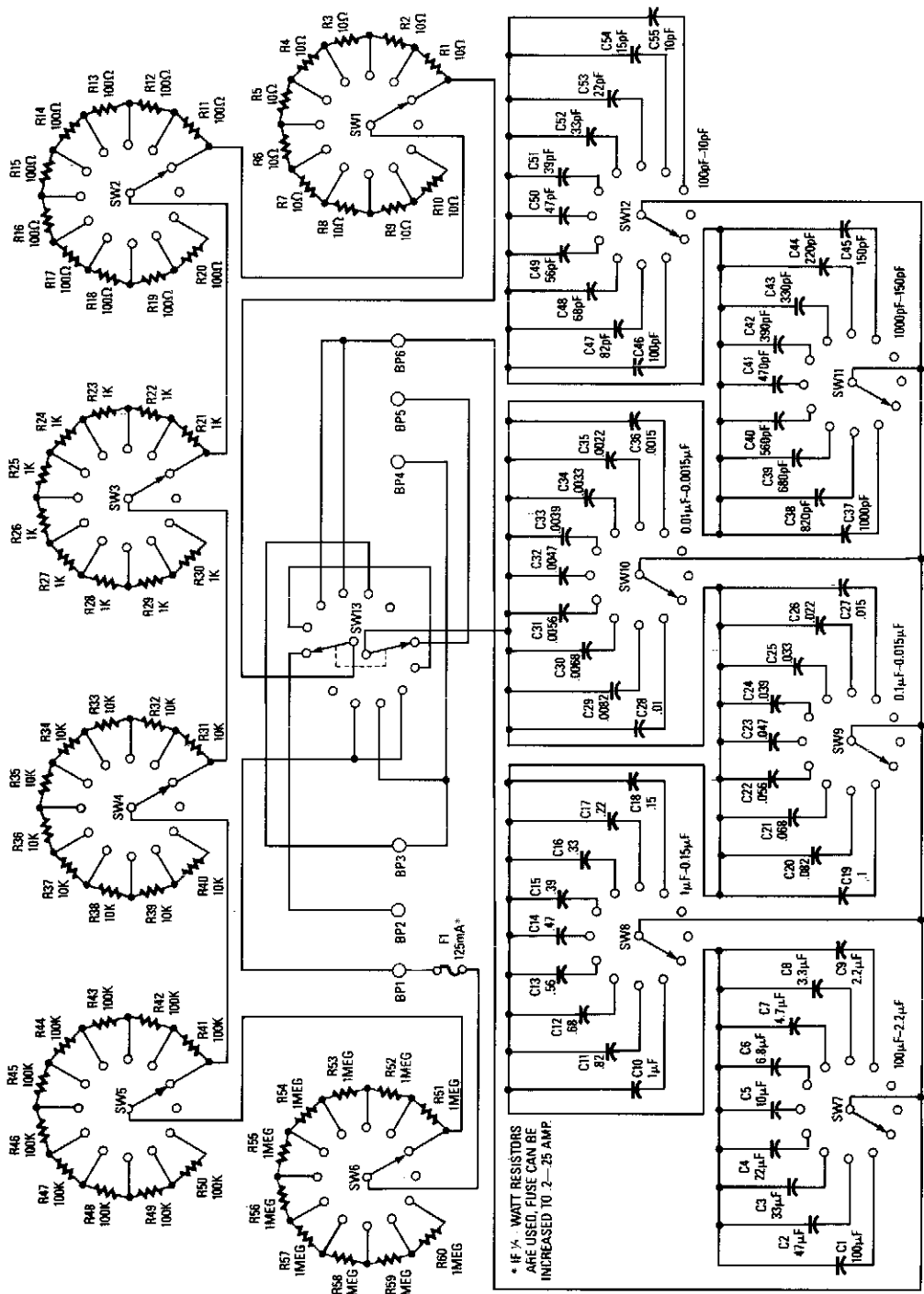
Two of the inverters (U1-a and U1-b) comprise an astable-multivibrator (free-running oscillator) circuit, whose operating frequency depends on the amount of resistance detected between the test probes. Feedback from the output of the oscillator (at pin 4 of U1-b) back to the input of the circuit (at U1-a, pins 1 and 2) is provided via C1. Resistor, R1, along with the unknown resistance between the test probes, completes the RC timing circuit. The frequency of the oscillator decreases as the resistance between the test probes increases.

The output of the oscillator is fed to pin 12 and 13 of U1-c, the output of which then divides along two paths. In the first path, U1-c's output is applied to the clock input of U2 (a 4024 binary counter) at pin 1; in the other path, the signal is fed through D2 and across capacitor C2, causing it to begin charging. The charge on C2 is applied to U1-d at pins 8 and 9. The output of that inverter (U1-d) is fed to the reset terminal (pin 2) of U2. If there is continuity or a measurable resistance between the test probes, U2's reset terminal is pulled low, triggering the counter and allowing it to process the input pulses (count).

The rate of the count is proportional to the resistance between the test probes. If the resistance between the test probes is low, the counter advances slowly. The counter provides a 7-bit binary output that is wired to seven LEDs.

When the test probes are placed across a short circuit, LED7 flashes. If the tester is placed across a resistance of, for example, 2 MΩ, LED1 will flash. In either case, the LED whose assigned value most closely corresponds to the resistance connected between the two probes will flash continually at a steady pace, while the other LEDs will seem to flash intermittently.

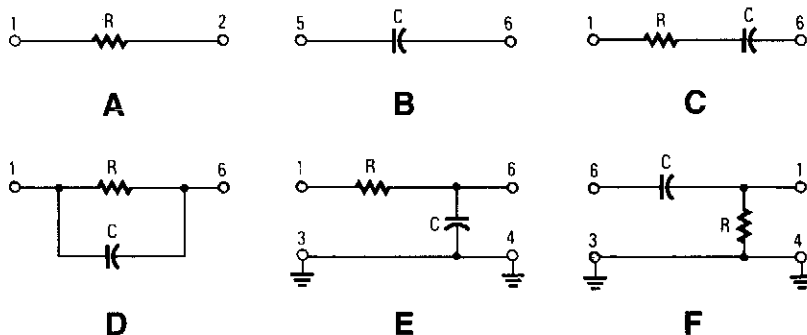
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FIG. 55-5

## RC DECADE BOX (Cont.)



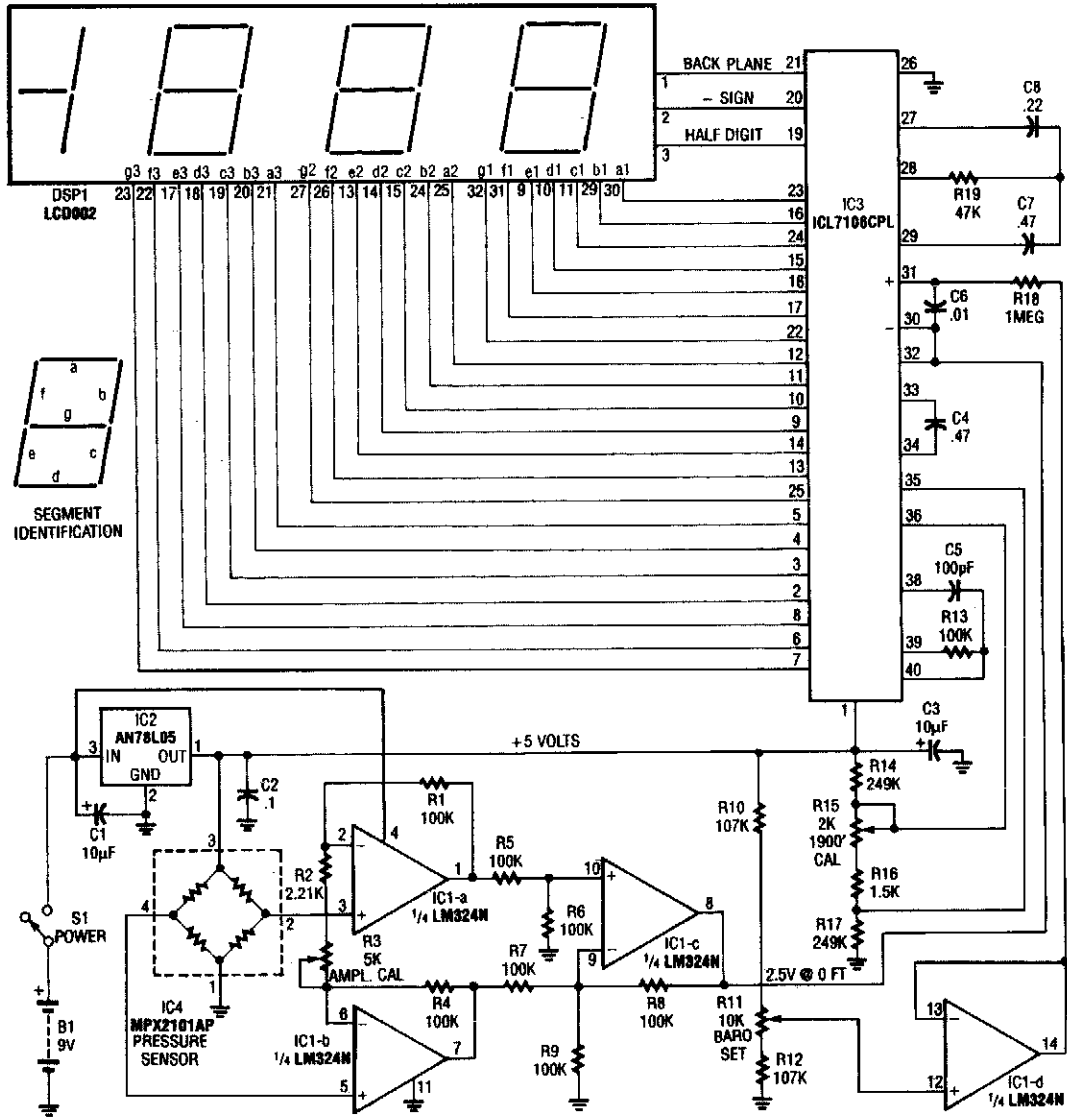
THE VARIOUS CONFIGURATIONS are set using S13: (a) resistor only and (b) capacitor only (both in position R/C); (c) series RC (position SER); (d) parallel RC (position PAR); (e) Low-Pass Filter (position LPF); and (f) High-Pass Filter (position HPF). The terminal numbers listed are those of binding-posts BP1–BP6.

**TABLE 1—DECABOX TERMINAL CONNECTIONS**

| Configuration                        | S13 Position | IN/GND              | OUT/GND              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Resistance                           | R/C          | IN: BP1             | OUT: BP2             |
| Capacitance                          | R/C          | IN: BP5             | OUT: BP6             |
| Series RC                            | SER          | IN: BP1             | OUT: BP6             |
| Parallel RC                          | PAR          | IN: BP1             | OUT: BP6             |
| Low Pass Filter<br>(Integrator)      | LPF          | IN: BP1<br>GND: BP3 | OUT: BP6<br>GND: BP4 |
| High Pass Filter<br>(Differentiator) | HPF          | IN: BP6<br>GND: BP3 | OUT: BP1<br>GND: BP4 |

This decade box can be set for any resistance value between 10  $\Omega$  and 11.1 M $\Omega$  in 10- $\Omega$  steps. A switch can be used to configure several RC configurations. Use close tolerance components in the circuit. If possible, check components with an accurate bridge or other means to ensure accuracy.

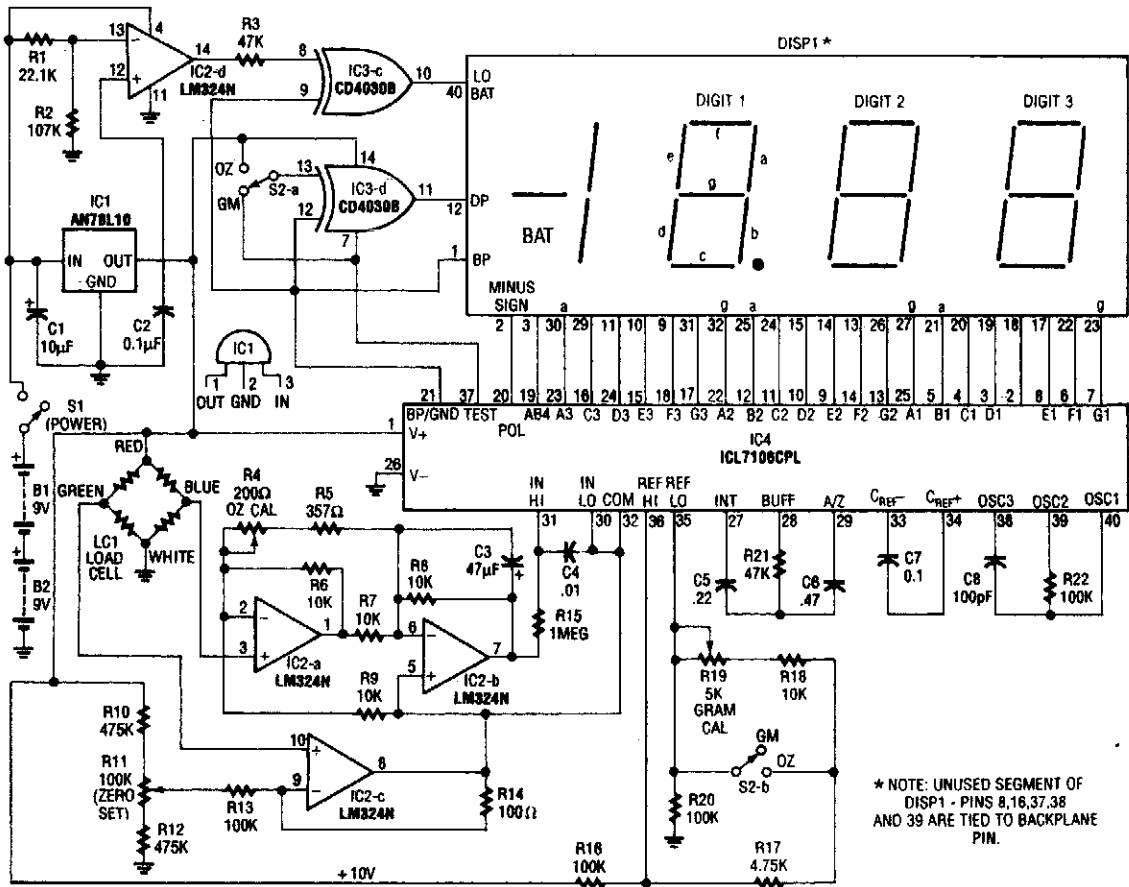
# DIGITAL ALTIMETER



A pressure sensor (IC4) is used with a dc amplifier to convert the bridge output (IC4) to a single-ended voltage. IC1d provides a reference voltage for setting barometric pressure. IC3 is an A/D converter manufactured by Intersil. This drives an LCD module. Calibration reads out in fact. A vacuum pump and a water-based manometer can be used for sensor calibration.



## ELECTRONIC SCALE

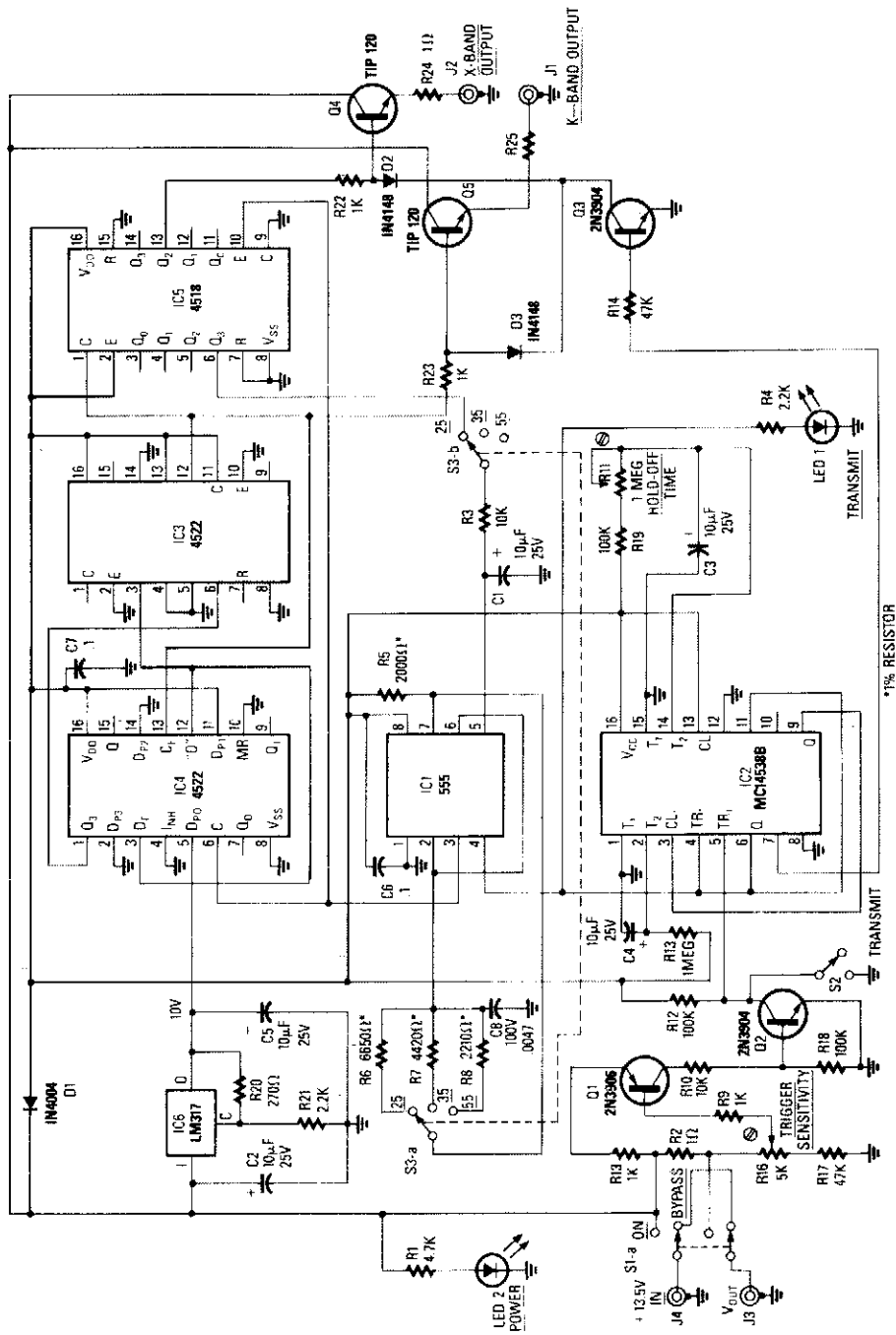


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FIG. 55-7

An electronic scale using a pressure transducer (load cell) and an analog-digital (A/D) converter to drive a digital display is shown. The scale range depends on load cell. Display is calibrated in appropriate units. Components are on main circuit and display boards. The off-board controls are on the front panel and case. The cell in this scale is rated for 1.3 pounds (600 grams).

## RADAR CALIBRATOR

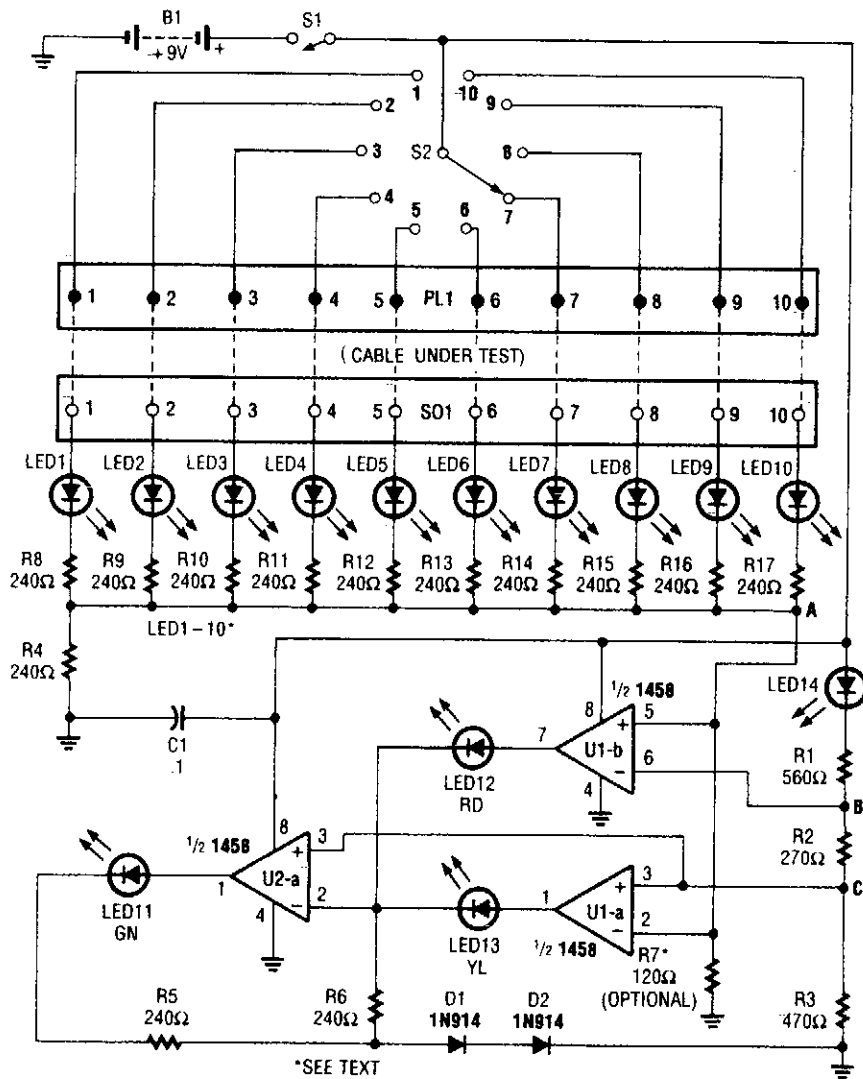


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FIG. 55-8

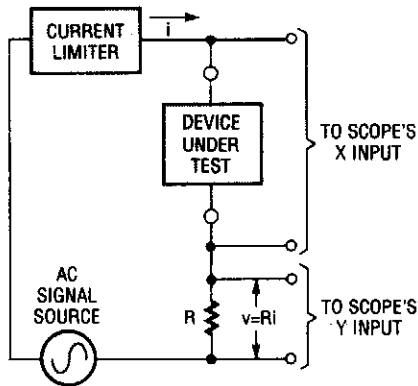
This circuit is basically a system that generates a pulsed modulation signal for a Gunn diode microwave oscillator. Several speed settings are preset (S3 a and b). A 555 timer is used with a frequency divider chain to produce Doppler shift equivalents of 25, 35, and 55 mph, for both X- and D-band radars.

## CABLE TESTER

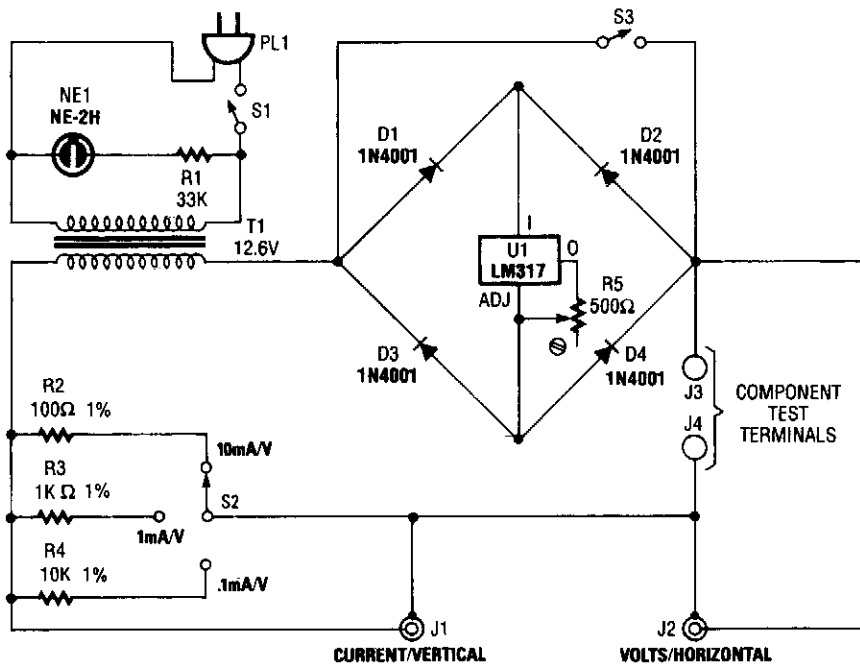


At the heart of the cable tester are two op amps, which are used as a window comparator to indicate a short- or open-circuit condition. A third op-amp comparator is used to indicate a good circuit (i.e., neither open nor shorted). Colored LEDs are used to show the condition of individual conductors within the cable under test; a red one to indicate a short between conductors, a yellow one to identify an open conductor, and a green one to signify that the conductor is okay. Individual LEDs of a bar-graph display are used to show which conductor in the cable is being tested.

## SIMPLE CURVE TRACER

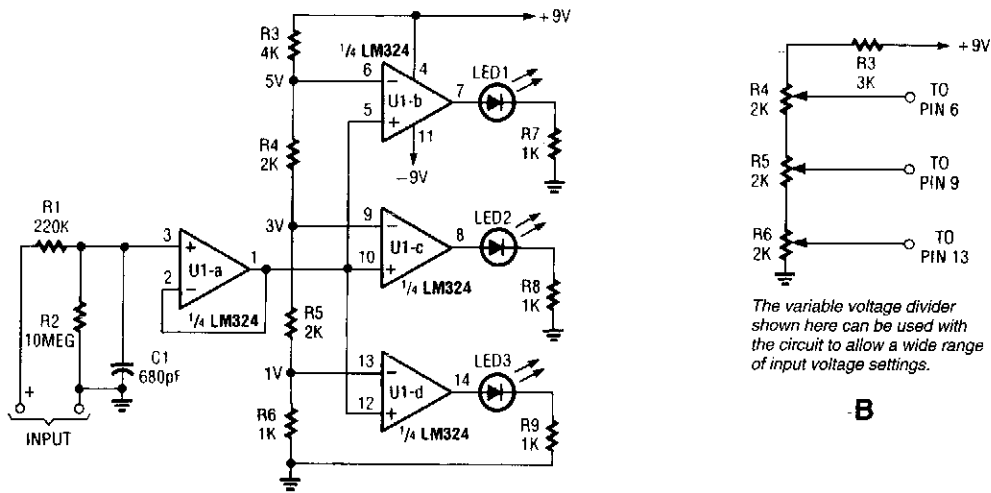


*This is a simple block diagram of the EZ-Curve. Current-limited AC signals are passed through both the device under test and a precision resistor to yield current and voltage readings.*



Useful for checking diodes, transistors, triacs, SCRs, resistors, and LEDs, this curve tracer should prove useful in the experimenter's lab. It displays the volt-ampere characteristic of a two-terminal device on an oscilloscope.

## VOLTAGE LEVEL CIRCUIT



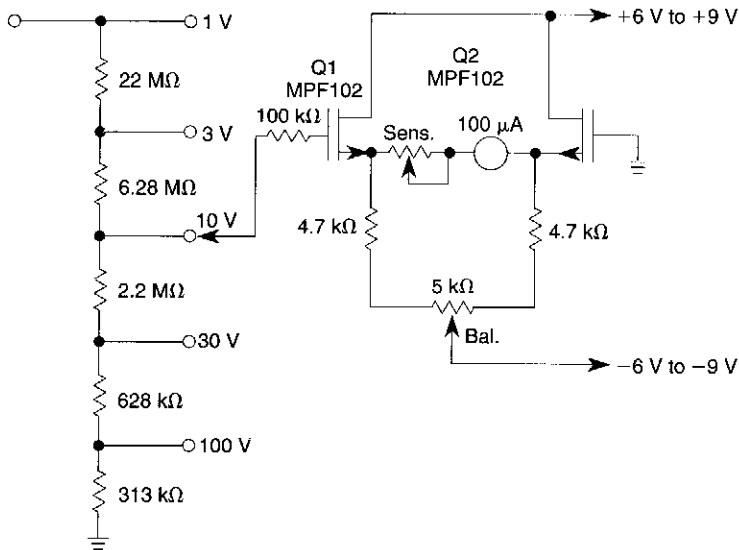
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**FIG. 55-11**

A DC op amp and a comparator with a ladder reference divider allow a dc input voltage to light one or more LEDs, depending on voltage levels.

## LOW-DRIFT dc VOLTMETER

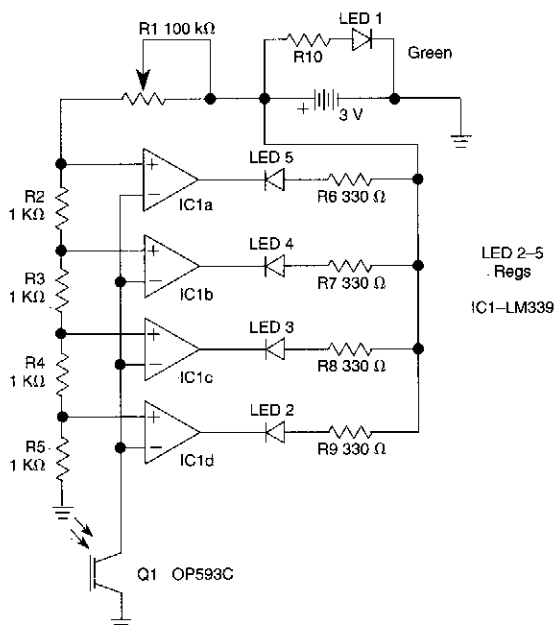


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**FIG. 55-12**

This voltmeter uses a pair of JFETs in a balanced-bridge source-follower amplifier circuit. Q1 and Q2 should be matched within 10% for  $I_{DSS}$ . This minimizes meter drift and maintains bridge balance over temperature.

## LIGHT METER



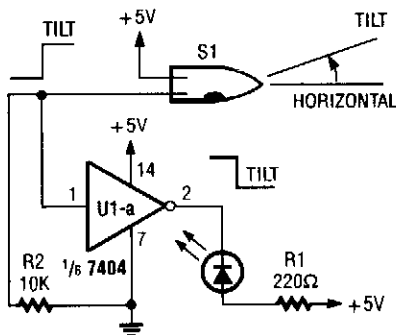
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FIG. 55-13

The outputs from the comparators will swing, in sequence, from high to low as the input voltage rises above the reference voltage applied to each comparator. The output LEDs will then switch on in sequence as the voltage rises.

The inverting inputs of the comparators are connected in common to the collector of phototransistor Q1. When Q1 is illuminated, its collector-emitter junction conducts, thereby placing all the inverting inputs within a few millivolts of ground. For most settings of R1, each of the four reference voltages exceeds the value. Therefore, when Q1 is illuminated, the output from each comparator is high and its respective indicator LED is off.

## MERCURY SWITCH TILT DETECTOR

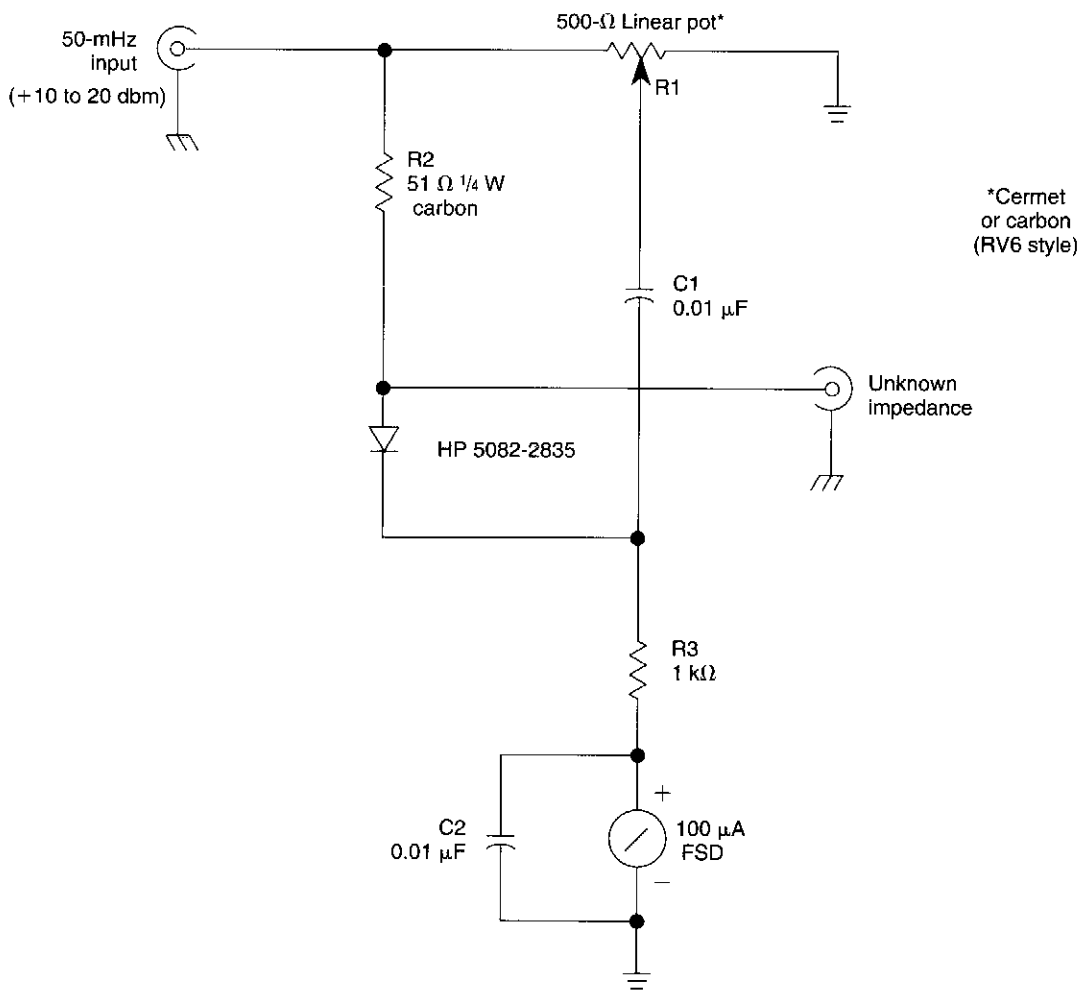


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FIG. 55-14

If the mercury bulb in this circuit is tipped, U1-a will light LED1 by going low, indicating a "tilted" condition.

### 50-MHz RF BRIDGE

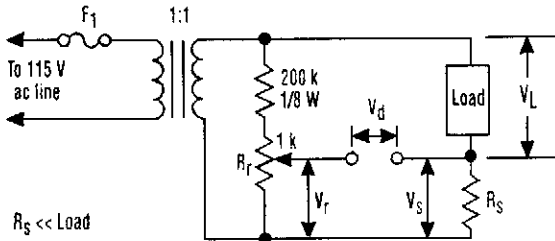


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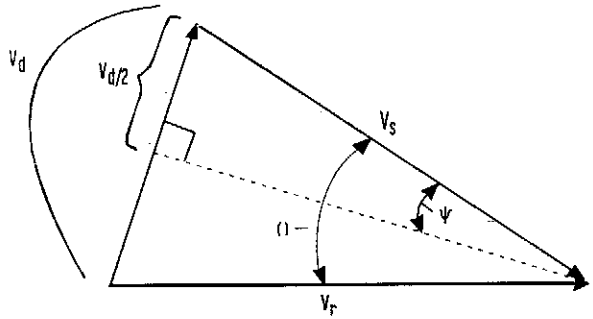
FIG. 55-15

The bridge shown was used for measurements on 50-MHz amateur radio antennas. R1 is a miniature 500 Ω linear potentiometer. The unknown impedance is compared to R2, a 51-Ω resistor. An external signal source is required.

## ac WATTS CALCULATOR



The load's power factor, which is the cosine of the phase angle between the voltage across the load current, can be calculated simply with this circuit. A 1:1 isolation transformer is used to prevent direct contact with the line



By properly adjusting  $R_r$ , the vector diagram of voltages  $V_s$ ,  $V_d$ , and  $V_r$  forms an isosceles triangle, which simplifies the power calculation.

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FIG. 55-16

The method basically consists of determining the power factor of the load—the cosine of the phase angle between the voltage across the load and the load circuit. Using a simple circuit, that angle can be calculated quite simply.

This circuit uses a 1:1 isolation transformer to prevent direct contact with the line. It is wise to proceed with caution whenever voltages of this magnitude are utilized in a test setup, even though the voltages that will be measured are usually below 1 V.

$R_s$  is a circuit-sense resistor and  $R_r$  is a multi-turn potentiometer. The voltage across  $R_r$  is approximately 0.5% of the line voltage, which should be sufficient for most applications.

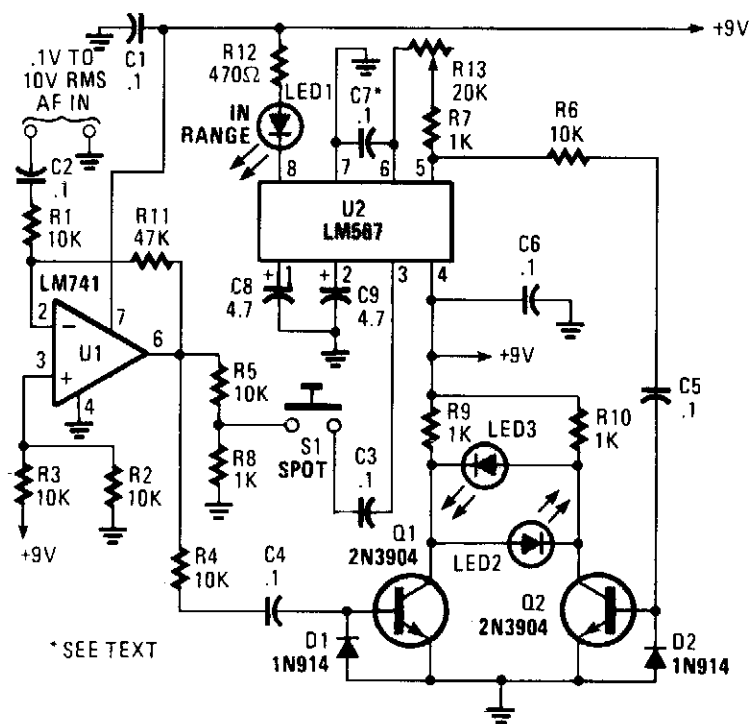
$R_r$  is adjusted so that  $|V_r| = |V_s|$ ; then  $V_d$  is measured. In the vector diagram according to Kirchhoff's voltage law,  $V_s$ ,  $V_d$ , and  $V_r$  form a triangle, which becomes isosceles by adjusting  $R_r$ .  $V_s$  is in phase with the load current and  $V_r$  is essentially in phase with the load voltage.

The power delivered to the load can be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_L &= V_L \times I_L \times \cos \theta \\
 &= V_L \times (V_s/R_s) \times \cos [2 \sin^{-1} (V_d/2V_s)] \\
 [\theta \approx 2 \psi &= 2 \sin^{-1} (V_d/2V_s)]
 \end{aligned}$$



## AUDIO-FREQUENCY METER



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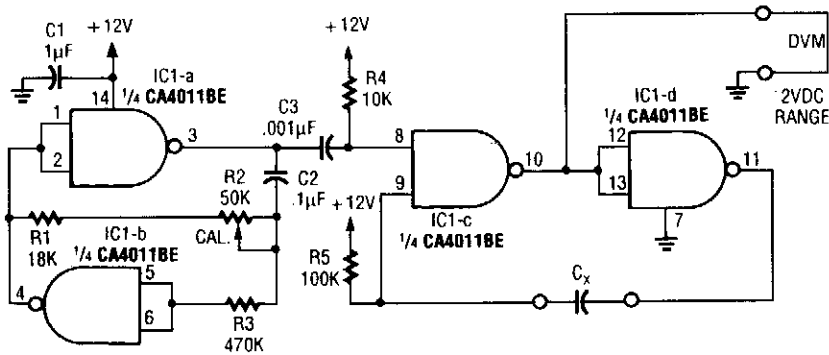
FIG. 55-17

This meter differs from the norm in that it does not use a D'Arsonval movement or digital display to give a reading of the input frequency. Instead, the measured frequency is read from a hand-calibrated dial.

Any audio signal applied to the circuit is amplified by U1 and the resulting output is divided along two paths. In one path, the output signal is applied to the mixer; in the other path, the signal is applied to the input of U2 through S1 (a normally open pushbutton switch).

The portion of the amplifier signal that is fed to the mixer is applied to the base of Q1, causing it to toggle on and off at the signal frequency. In the other path, when S1 is pressed, a portion of the op amp's output is applied to U2. If the signal is within the range of U2's internal oscillator's operating frequency, LED1 lights, and a signal is fed to the base of Q2. If the two signals arriving at the mixer do not match exactly, LED2 and LED3 light. That means that the circuit must be fine tuned, which is accomplished by releasing S1 and fine tuning R13 until LED2 and LED3 go out. The dial setting at that point gives the frequency of the input signal to within 1 Hz (or as close as the calibrated dial will allow).

## ONE-IC CAPACITANCE TESTER

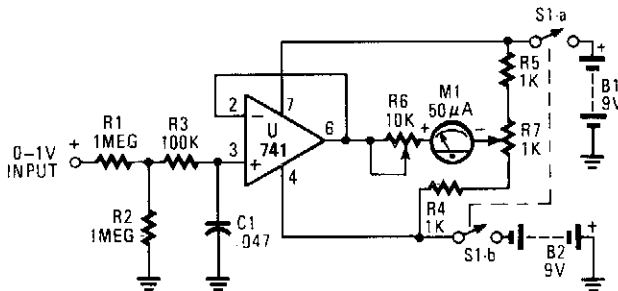


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FIG. 55-18

This circuit can be used to match capacitors, etc. The dc output voltage is related to the capacitance values of  $C_x$ . The circuit values shown are for capacitors in the  $0.01\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  order of magnitude, but they can be changed for lower or higher values.

## TRANSISTOR CHECKER



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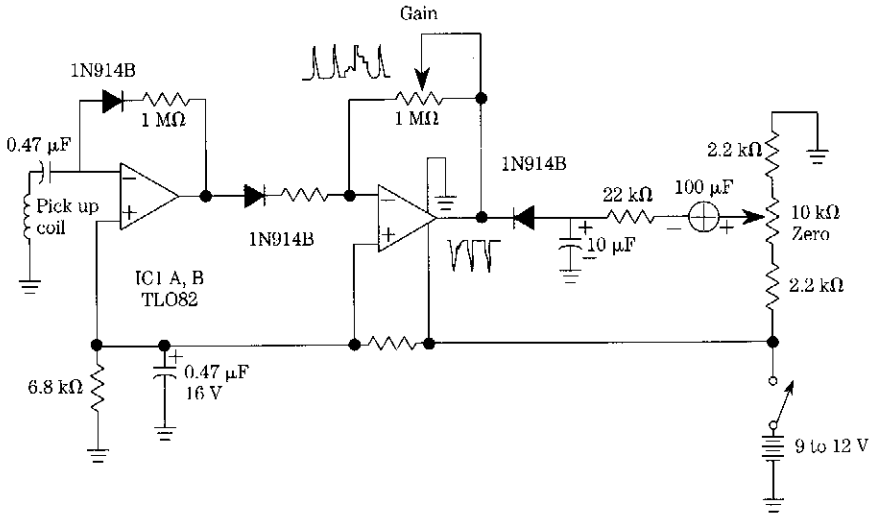
FIG. 55-19

The circuit is built around a 741 general-purpose op amp that is configured as a voltage follower; with the components shown, the op amp has a voltage gain of one. The output of the 741 is used to drive a  $50\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  meter movement. Potentiometer R7 is used to zero the meter and R6 sets the meter's full-scale reading.

Calibrating the meter is a snap. With no input applied to the circuit, set R6 to mid-position and adjust R7 to zero the meter. Once that is done, apply a positive 1-Vdc voltage to the input and adjust R6 for a full-scale reading. The voltmeter can be adjusted to read both positive and negative voltages by adjusting R7 for a center scale reading at the meter's zero position and a positive 1-V reading at the meter's full-scale position.



## ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD SENSOR

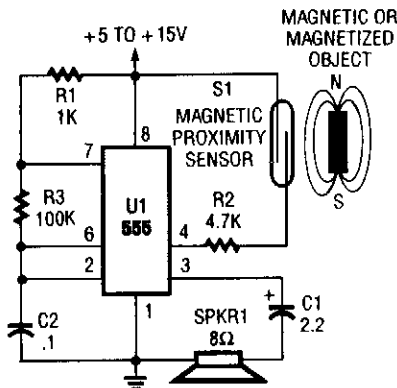


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FIG. 55-22

A telephone pick-up coil is used as a sensing coil. Any 60-Hz hum picked up by the sensing coil is rectified, amplified, and detected, and then drives a meter.

### MAGNETIC PROXIMITY SENSOR

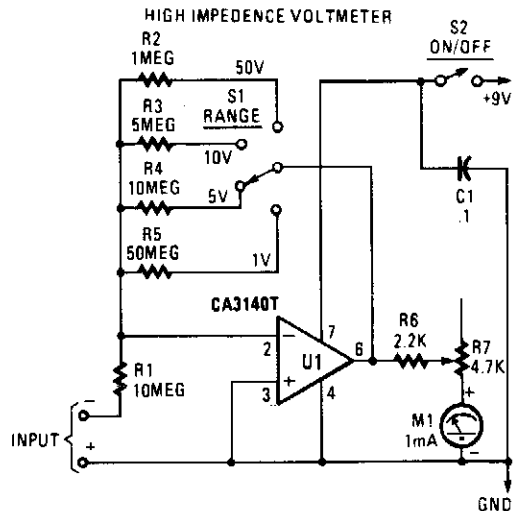


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FIG. 55-23

A magnetic need switch enables a 555 oscillator, which drives a speaker. C2 can be varied for different tone frequencies.

### HIGH-IMPEDANCE VOLTMETER

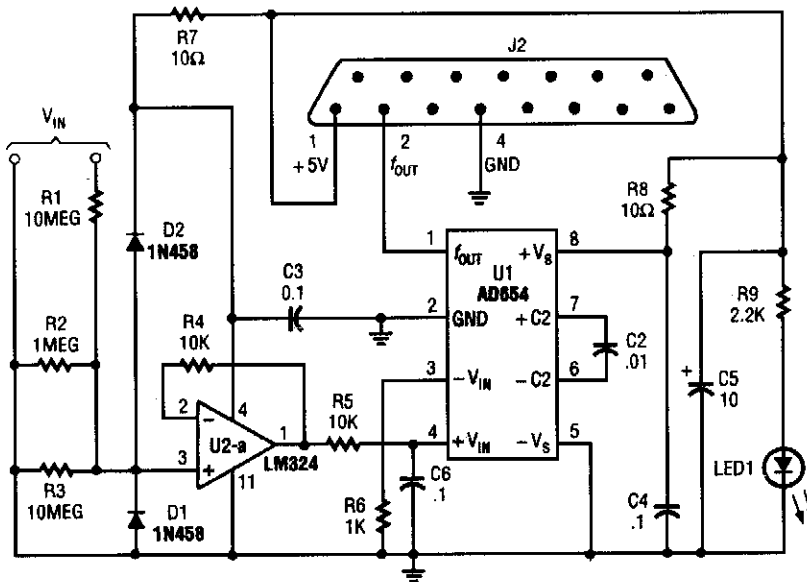


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FIG. 55-24



## DVM ADAPTER FOR PC

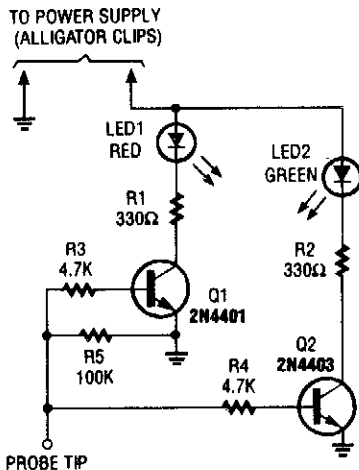


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FIG. 55-28

The adapter consists of a voltage to frequency adapter with a signal conditioner and protection circuit. J2 connects to the game port of a PC. See reference listed for software for use with this circuit.

## SIMPLE DIGITAL LOGIC PROBE



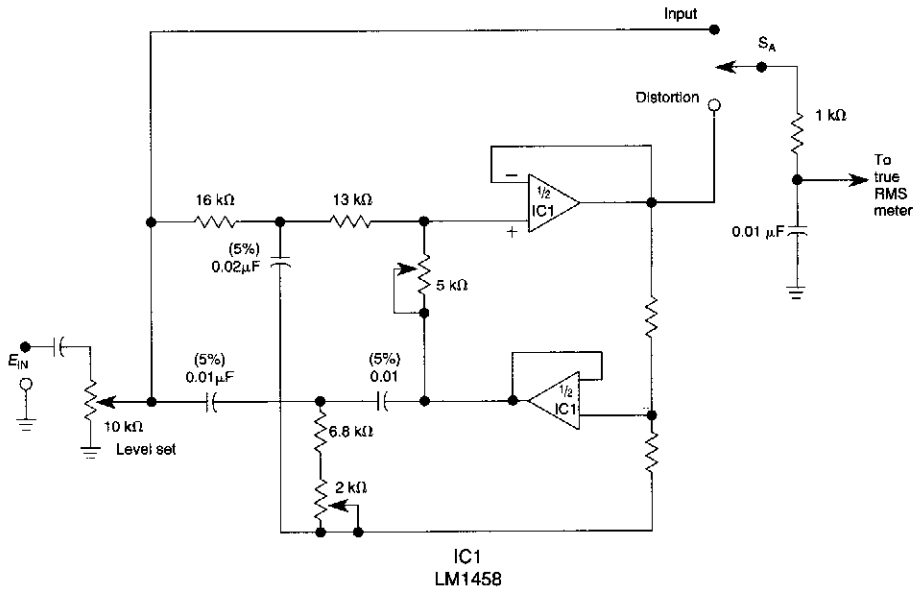
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FIG. 55-29

The design of the digital logic probe centers around a pair of complementary bipolar transistors, which, in this application, are used as electronic switches.



## 1-KHZ HARMONIC DISTORTION METER

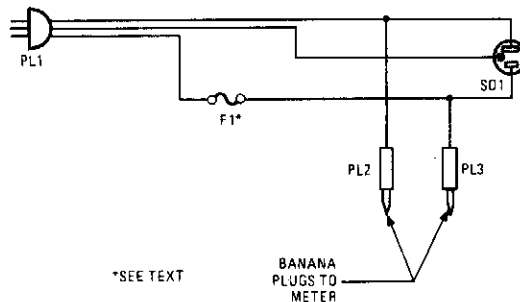


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**FIG. 55-32**

The circuit useful for distortion measurements notches out the fundamental frequency of 1 kHz to allow measurement of the residual level of harmonics. First a true RMS meter is used to measure the 1-kHz input level  $E_{in}$  by setting  $S_A$  to the input position. Then,  $S_A$  is placed in the distortion position and the 2 k potentiometer is adjusted for a null. The residual reading is noted. The THD is then calculated based on the formula:

## LINE VOLTAGE-TO-MULTIMETER ADAPTER



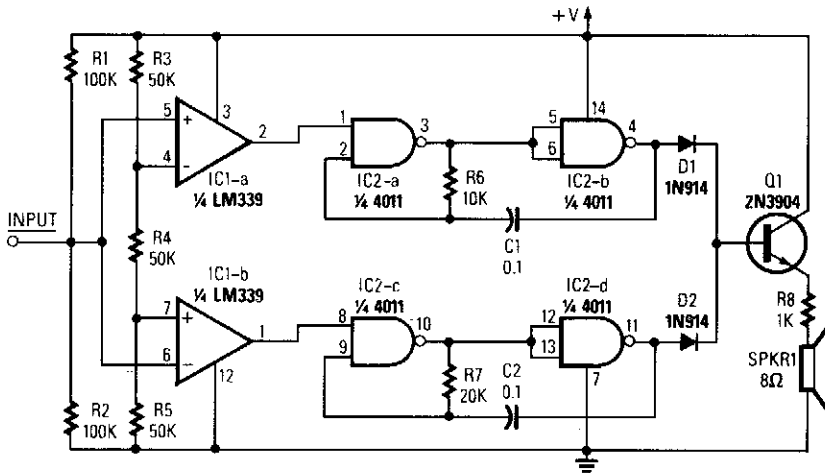
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**FIG. 55-33**

This ac line-to-multimeter adapter can make checking line voltage safer. You can use it to find taxing loads on your household wiring.



## AUDIBLE LOGIC TESTER



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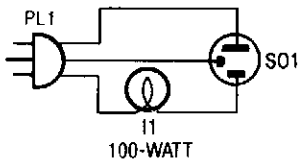
FIG. 55-34

The tester provides an audible indication of the logic level of the signal presented to its input. A logic high is indicated by a high tone, a logic low is indicated by a low tone, and oscillation is indicated by an alternating tone. The input is high impedance, so it will not load down the circuit under test. It can be used to troubleshoot TTL or CMOS logic.

The input section determines whether the logic level is high or low, and enables the appropriate tone generator; it consists of two sections of an LM339 quad comparator. One of the comparators (IC1-a) goes high when the input voltage exceeds 67% of the supply voltage. The other comparator goes high when the input drops below 33% of the supply. Resistors R1 and R2 ensure that neither comparator goes high when the input is floating or between the threshold levels.

The tone generators consist of two gated astable multivibrators. The generator built around IC2-a and IC2-b produces the high tone. The one built around IC2-c and IC2-d produces the low tone. Two diodes, D1 and D2, isolate the tone-generator outputs. Transistor Q1 is used to drive a low-impedance speaker.

## SHORT TESTER FOR 120-V EQUIPMENT

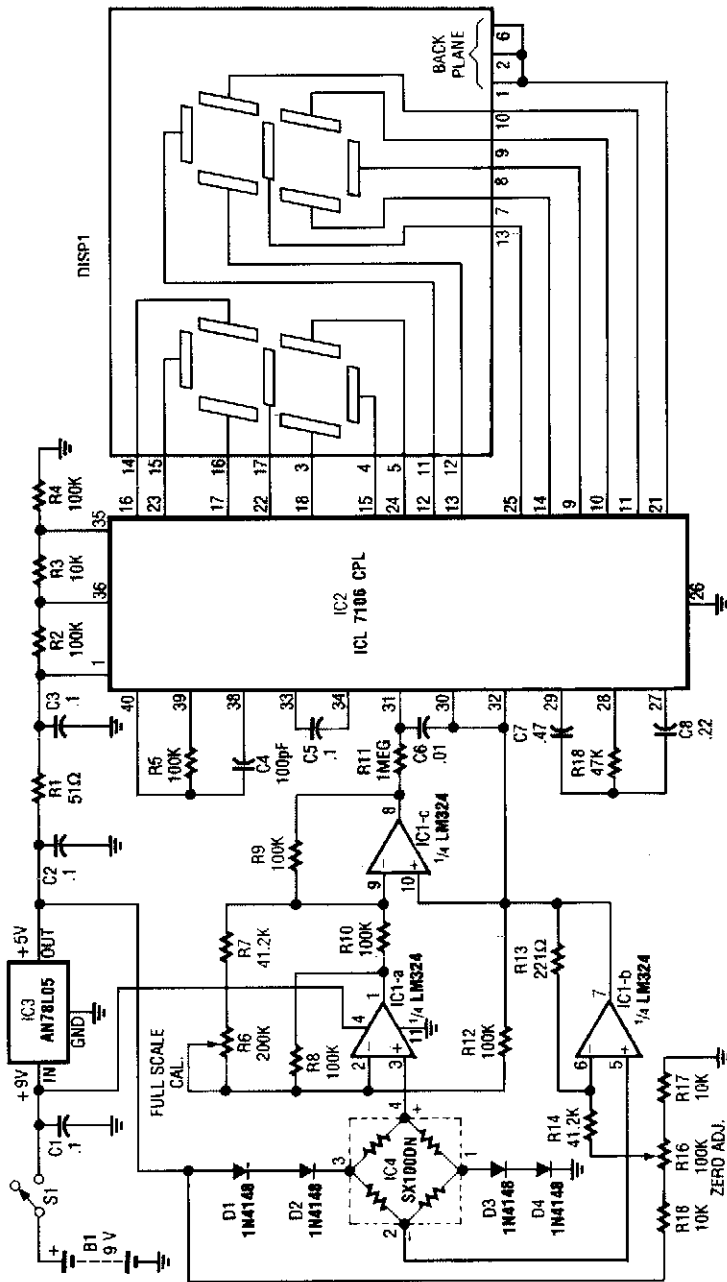


Do you deal with old equipment in unknown condition? If so, this little circuit could keep you from causing further harm to already shorted devices.

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FIG. 55-35

# DIGITAL PRESSURE GAUGE

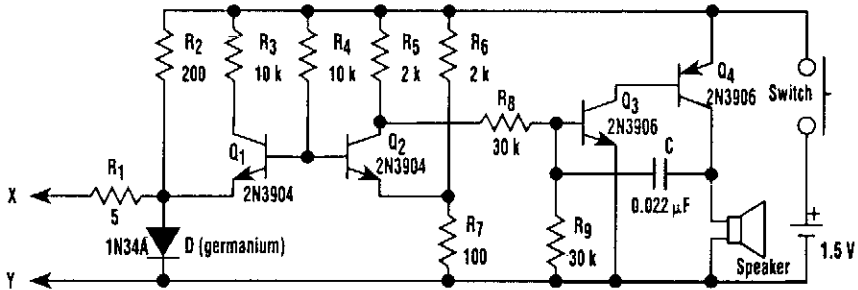


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FIG. 55-36

This electronic pressure gauge uses a Wheatstone bridge-type pressure sensor to drive a 3½ digit A/D converter and a display. IC1 is a pump (quad) that interfaces the bridge sensor to the A/D converter. R16 provides zero adjustment and R6 provides full-scale calibration. D1 thru D4 provide temperature compensation.

### SIMPLE SHORT FINDER



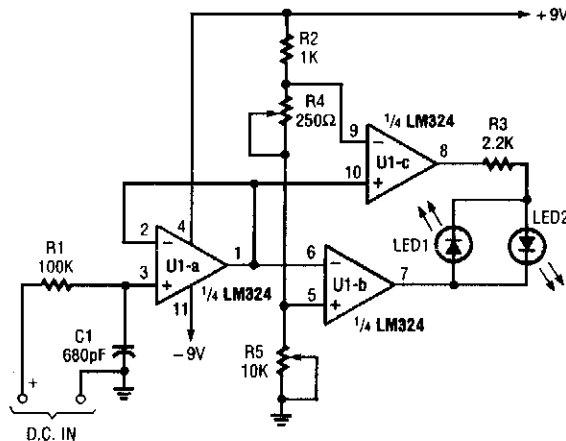
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FIG. 55-37

Transistors Q1 and Q2, together with resistors R1 through R7, make up the input balancing stage, which senses the resistance between points X and Y. The input stage is essentially a bridge, consisting of R1, R2, R6, R7, and the resistance between points X and Y.

Transistors Q3 and Q4 and their associated passive components form a buzzer, which sounds when the tester detects a short. The buzzer is controlled by the output from Q2. When the input resistance is high (more than about 10 Ω), Q2 turns on, so its collector potential is close to ground, and the buzzer remains off. When the input resistance is sufficiently low, Q2 turns off, and the buzzer sounds. The frequency of the sound, which is about 1000 Hz, can be adjusted by varying the value of capacitor (C).

### VOLTAGE MONITOR



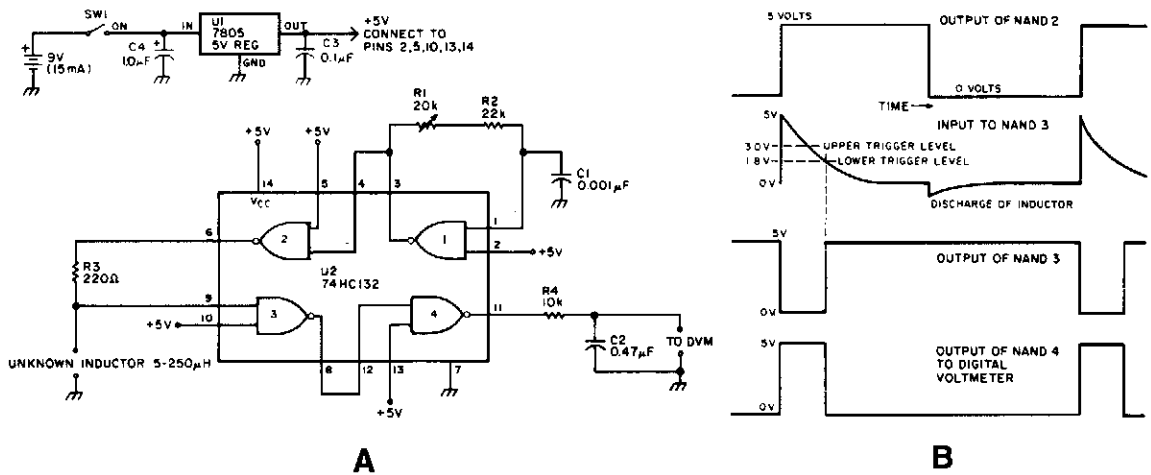
*The adjustable voltage monitor can be used to check whether the voltage in a circuit remains within a given range.*

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FIG. 55-38

If the dc voltage is less than the voltage at pin 5 of U1-B, then LED 1 will light. If the voltage is over 5V, LED2 will light. If the voltage is within the window set by R4 and R5, neither LED will light. This circuit is useful as an under-or-over voltage monitor.

## LINEAR INDUCTANCE METER

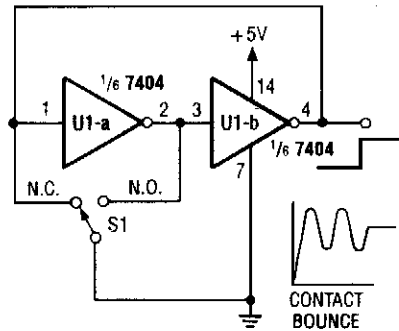


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FIG. 55-39

Using the fact that in an RL circuit, the pulse width seen across the inductor is proportional to the inductance, this circuit reads this indirectly on a DVM. The range is about 5 to 250 µH.

## DEBOUNCE CIRCUIT

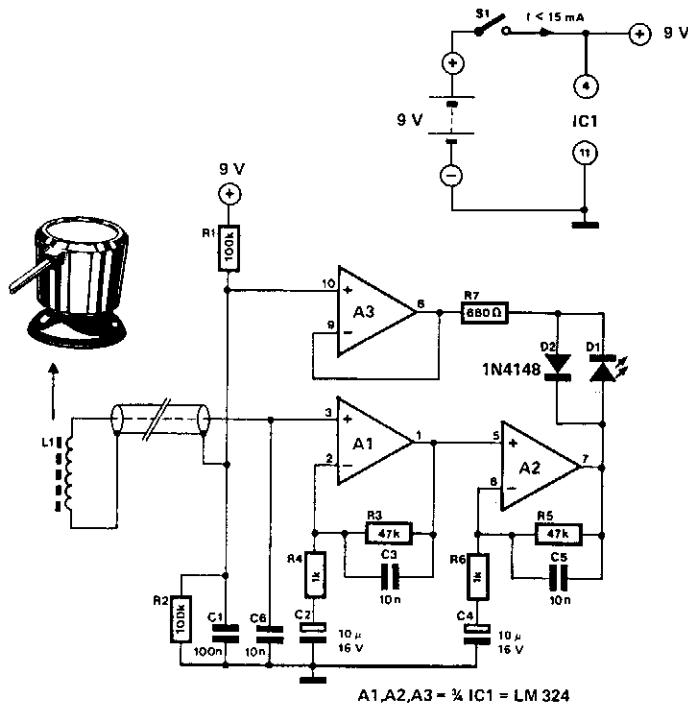


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FIG. 55-40

This debounce circuit will keep the electrical noise generated by the mechanical switch (S1) from reaching the next circuit in line.

## ac WIRING LOCATOR

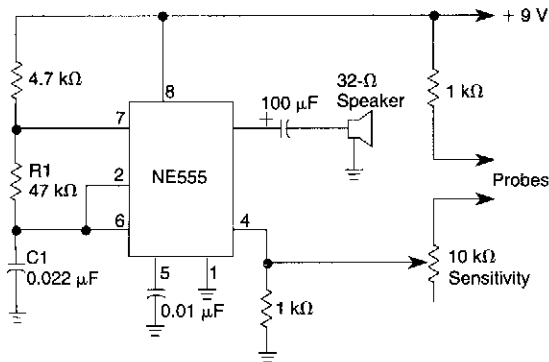


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FIG. 55-41

This circuit uses a pick-up coil to sense the 50- or 60-Hz field around wiring-carrying ac. L1 is a telephone pick-up coil with a suction pad. D1 (LED) lights during positive half waves, indicating that ac current is present.

## AUDIBLE CONTINUITY TESTER

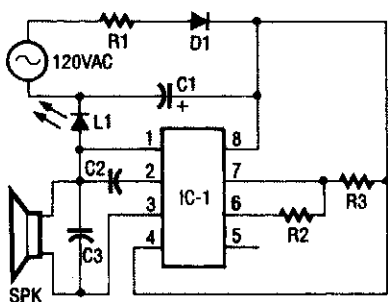


This 555 oscillator sounds a tone when continuity exists between the probes. Oscillator frequency is determined by the values of R1 and C1.

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FIG. 55-42

## ac OUTLET TESTER



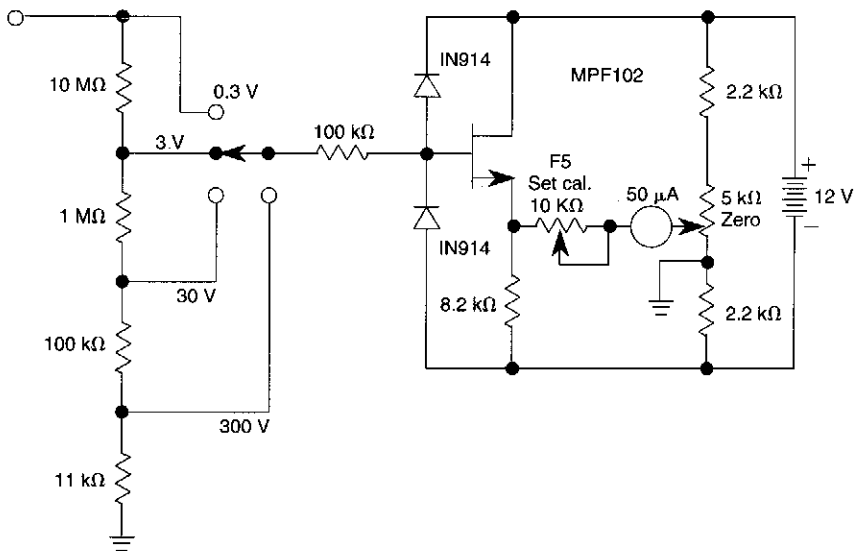
- C1 ..... 50  $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor  
 C2,C3 .. .047  $\mu$ F Disc Capacitor  
 D1 ..... 1N4003 Diode  
 IC1 ..... 555 Timer IC  
 L1 ..... Jumbo Red LED  
 R1 ..... 3.9K, 1 watt Resistor  
 R2 ..... 2K, 1/4 watt Resistor  
 R3 ..... 4.7K, 1/4 watt Resistor  
 SPK ..... Piezoelectric Speaker

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FIG. 55-43

The tester consists of a rectifier circuit and a multivibrator circuit. The ac voltage is half-wave rectified by diode D1 and stored in capacitor C1. Resistor R1 is used to limit the current through D1 to a safe value. The voltage stored across C1 supplies IC1 operating power. The IC, the versatile 555 timer, is configured to operate as a multivibrator whose operating frequency is determined by C2, R2, and R3. The output of IC1, on pin 3, is coupled to a piezoelectric speaker (SPK), which gives an indication of the presence of ac. An LED (L1) also lights when ac is present.

## JFET VOLTMETER

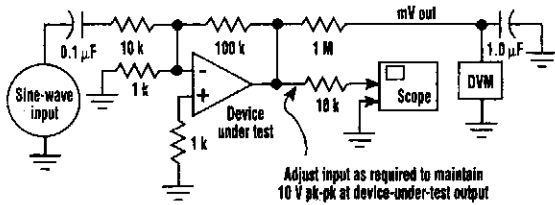


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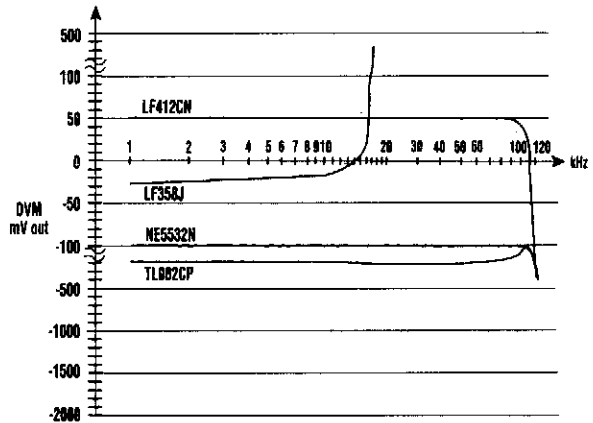
FIG. 55-44

This very simple voltmeter circuit uses a 50- $\mu$ A meter in a bridge circuit. It is useful for noncritical applications.

## CHECK FOR OP-AMP dc OFFSET SHIFT



| LF412CN |        | LF358J |        | NE5532N |        | TL082CP |        |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| kHz     | mV out | kHz    | mV out | kHz     | mV out | kHz     | mV out |
| 1       | 51     | 1      | -23    | 1       | -101   | 1       | -313   |
| 10      | 50     | 10     | -14    | 10      | -101   | 10      | -314   |
| 100     | 44     | 32     | -9     | 100     | -109   | 50      | -301   |
| 110     | 9      | 13     | -4     | 110     | -152   | 60      | -296   |
| 115     | -358   | 14     | 4      | 120     | -378   | 70      | -279   |
| 120     | -502   | 15     | 7      |         |        | 80      | -258   |
| 130     | -1374  | 16     | 58     |         |        | 90      | -227   |
| 140     | -1741  | 17     | 119    |         |        | 100     | -184   |
|         |        | 17.5   | 156    |         |        | 110     | -125   |
|         |        | 18     | 494    |         |        |         |        |



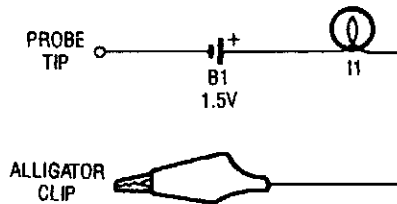
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FIG. 55-45

The dc values of op-amp offsets can't always be taken for granted when delivering ac outputs. No device is ever exactly symmetrical for maximum positive slew rate versus maximum negative slew rate. Consequently, there is always some range of output slew rates in which the device used limits in one direction more severely than in the other. What results in rectification of the ac signal and an apparent shift of the dc offset.

This test circuit can check for the shift phenomenon. The accompanying table and graph illustrate the results obtained for four devices, all of different types. As frequency and slew rate are increased, the effect can be either relatively abrupt (LF412CN and NE5532N) or relatively gradual (LF358J and TL082CP).

## CONTINUITY TESTER FOR LOW-RESISTANCE CIRCUITS

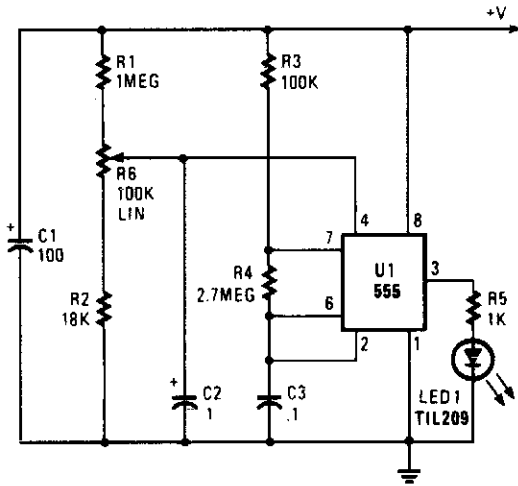


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FIG. 55-46

The continuity tester is little more than a battery and a lamp connected in series, with one end of the string terminated in an alligator clip, and the other end connected to the probe tip.

## SUPPLY VOLTAGE MONITOR

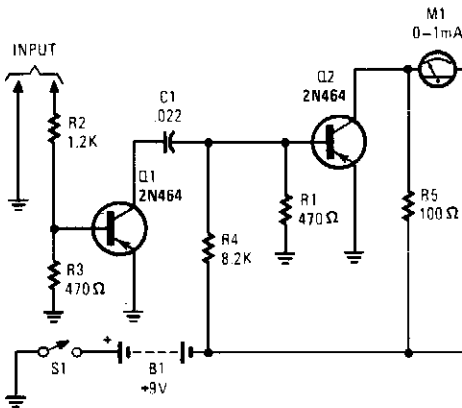


Excessive voltage causes U1 to oscillate, causing LED1 to flash. R6 sets the desired trip level.

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FIG. 55-47

## AUDIO-FREQUENCY METER CIRCUIT



This simple tachometer circuit uses a pulse shaper Q1 to drive M1, a 0- to 1- $\mu$ A meter. C1 can be varied to optimize operation.

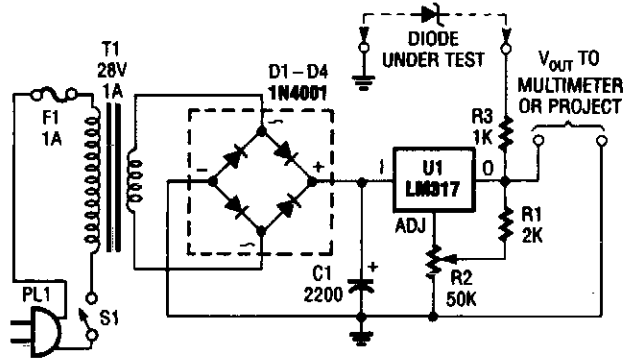
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FIG. 55-48



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## ZENER DIODE TEST SET



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FIG. 55-49

This versatile circuit can be used to test zener diodes or act as a stand-alone power supply. It requires a voltmeter to work as a zener tester.

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## Metal-Detector Circuits

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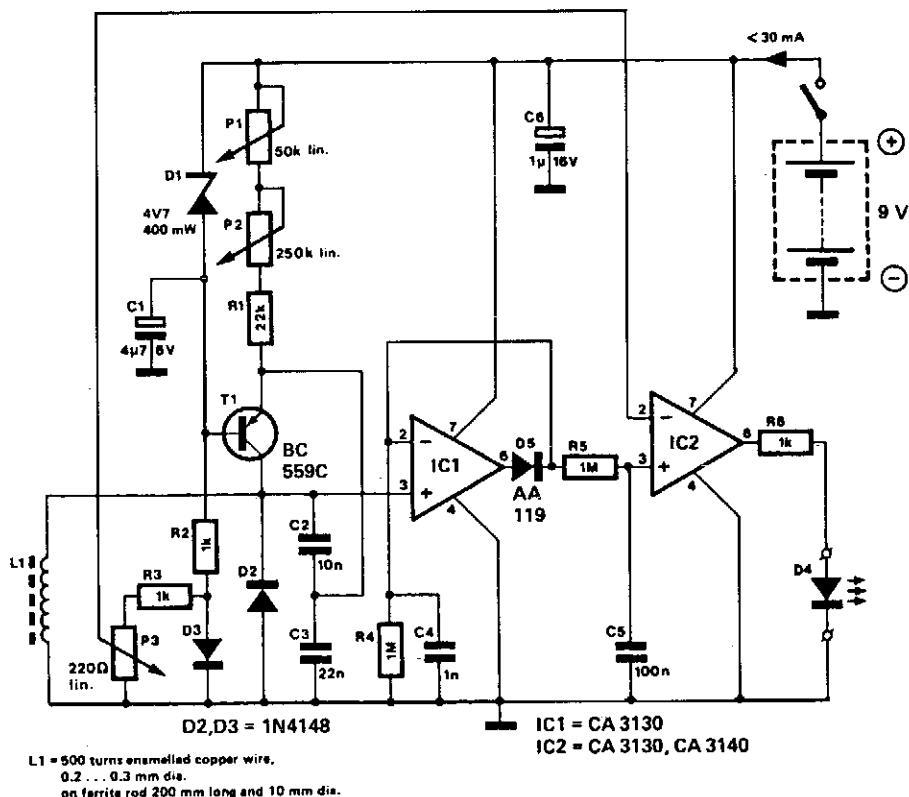
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Metal Pipe Detector

Low-Cost Metal Detector for Experimenters

Metal Locator

## METAL PIPE DETECTOR

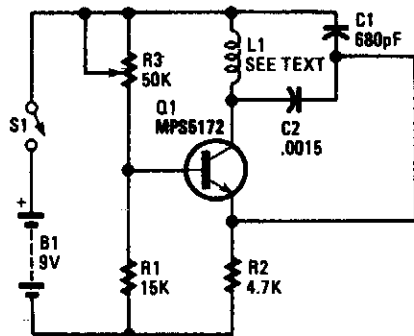


303 CIRCUITS

FIG. 56-1

This circuit uses a 15-kHz oscillator coil. When metal placed in the energy field is withdrawn, the oscillator voltage is rectified and compared to a reference. A drop in oscillator voltage therefore operates comparator IC2 and D4 (LED) extinguishes.

## LOW-COST METAL DETECTOR FOR EXPERIMENTERS



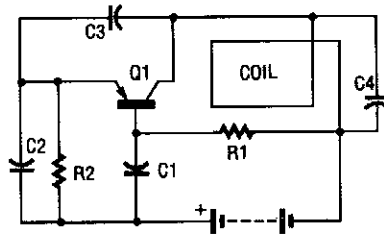
This circuit is an oscillator with L1 being a 4" diameter coil of 35 turns of #26 magnet wire. Metal in proximity to L1 will cause the oscillator to shift frequency. An AM transistor radio is used to detect the frequency shift.

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FIG. 56-2

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## METAL LOCATOR



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FIG. 56-3

The metal locator uses a one-transistor oscillator and an AM radio to detect metal. Transistor Q1 is a pnp transistor that is connected to an oscillator. Resistor R1 provides the correct base bias and capacitors C3 and C4 and the search coil determine the frequency of oscillation.

Capacitors C3 and C4 are fixed in value, but the search coil is an inductor that varies in inductance (and thus varies the oscillator frequency) as metal is brought near it. The oscillator frequency is rich in harmonics and its output falls within the AM broadcast band. The metal detector works by combining its output with the local oscillator of the AM radio. The resulting net output of the radio is a low-frequency audio tone that changes—gets higher or lower—as metal is brought near or taken away from the search coil. Commercial metal detectors use two oscillators, so they don't require an AM radio. This metal locator provides an inexpensive alternative to an expensive commercial metal locator.

|        |                               |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| C1, C2 | 0.01- $\mu$ F Capacitor (103) |
| C3, C4 | 0.001- $\mu$ F Capacitor      |
| Q1     | 2N3906 Transistor             |
| R1     | 47-k $\Omega$ Resistor        |
| R2     | 100- $\Omega$ Resistor        |

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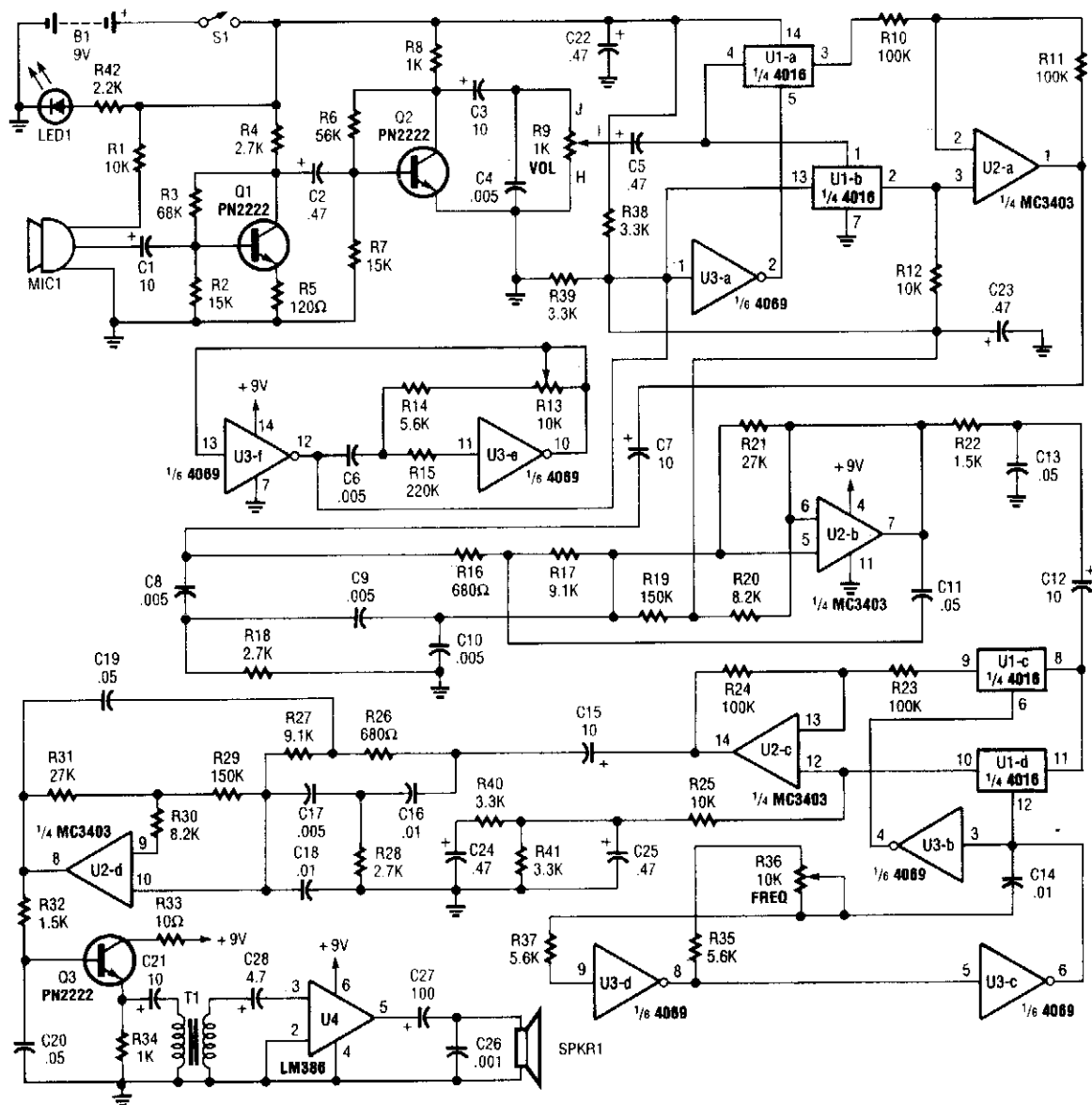
## Miscellaneous Treasures

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Voice Disguiser                             | dc Output Chopper                    |
| Soldering Iron Control                      | ac Isolation Transformers Use        |
| Furnace Fuel Miser                          | Inexpensive 12-V Transformers        |
| Personal Message Recorder                   | ac Line Voltage Booster              |
| Four-Input Minimum/Maximum Selector         | Octal DA Converter                   |
| Soil Heater for Plants                      | 1-dB Pad                             |
| Key Illuminator                             | Pseudo-Random Bit Sequence Generator |
| Radio Commercial Zapper                     | Simple External Microphone Circuit   |
| Audio Limiter                               | for Transceivers                     |
| Analog De-Glitch Circuit                    | JFET Chopper Circuit                 |
| Acoustic Field Generator                    | Audio Memo Alert                     |
| Suppress Jitter with Hysteresis             | Octave Equalizer                     |
| Heartbeat Monitor                           | Complementary or Bilateral ac        |
| Self-Retriggering Timed-On Generator        | Emitter-Follower Circuit             |
| Frequency Divider for Measurements          | Capacitor Hysteresis Compensator     |
| Video, Power, and Channel-Select            | Amplifier Cool-Down Circuit I        |
| Signal Carrier                              | NE602 Input Circuits                 |
| 7805 Turn-On Circuit                        | NE602 Output Circuits                |
| AF Drive Indicator                          | Basic Latch Circuits                 |
| Phase-Locked Loop                           | Bootstrap Circuit                    |
| Capacitance Multiplier                      | Simple Schmitt Trigger               |
| Practical Differentiator                    | Amplifier Cool-Down Circuit II       |
| Hum Reducer for Direct-Conversion Receivers | NE602 dc Power Circuits              |
| Preamp Transmit-Receive Sequencer           | Inrush Current Limiter               |

## VOICE DISGUISER



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FIG. 57-1

A complete schematic diagram of the voice disguiser is shown. Microphone MIC1 picks up the voice signal and feeds it to an audio amplifier, consisting of Q1 and Q2, and a few support components. The amplifier has a low-pass gain response that limits the voice frequencies to 5 kHz or lower.

## VOICE DISGUISER (Cont.)

The voice signal is then fed to the input of the first balanced modulator, which is comprised of U1-a, U1-b, U2-a, and U3-a. The output of the first 4-kHz oscillator, built around U3-f and U3-e, is fed to the carrier input of the first modulator. The frequency of the first oscillator is controlled by the setting of potentiometer R13. The modulator output—a double-sideband suppressed-carrier signal centered on 4 kHz—is then filtered by the first 5-kHz low-pass filter, formed by U2-b, which eliminates the upper-sideband signals.

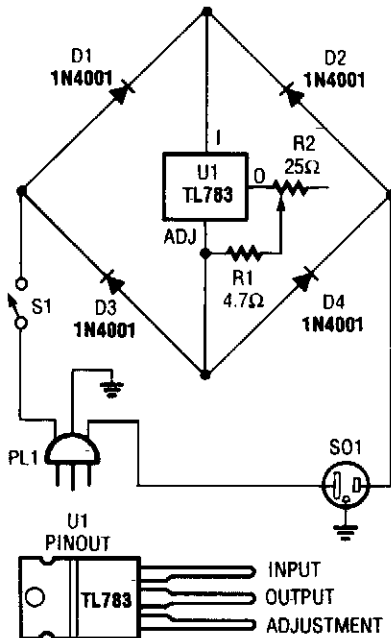
At this point, the voice frequency spectrum is inverted (e.g., the frequencies that were low now become high, and vice versa), making the voice signal completely unintelligible. The output of the first low-pass filter is fed to a second modulator formed by U1-c, U1-d, and U3-b, where it is frequency modulated with the output of the second carrier oscillator, comprised of U3-c and U3-d; the frequency of the second oscillator is controlled by potentiometer R36.

The output of the second modulator is filtered by the second low-pass filter, which consists of U2-d and few support components, and amplified by Q3. The voice output signal from Q3 is fed to U4 (an LM386 low-voltage, audio-power amplifier) through an impedance-matching transformer, T1. The output of U4 is then used to drive SPKR1 (an 8- $\Omega$  speaker).

In operation, if both carrier oscillators are set to the same frequency, the voice signal from the speaker will be an exact duplicate of the input signal from the microphone. However, if the frequency of the second oscillator is varied (via R36), the output voice signal also shifts in frequency. That makes the voice reproduced by the speaker sound higher- or lower-pitched than normal.

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## SOLDERING IRON CONTROL

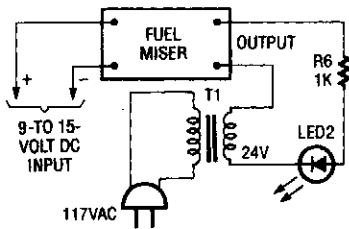


A current control to temperature regulate a soldering iron uses a high-voltage integrated regulator, TL783 (U1). With the component values specified, the circuit should be used with a soldering iron of 25 W or less.

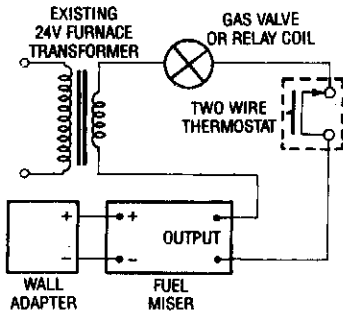




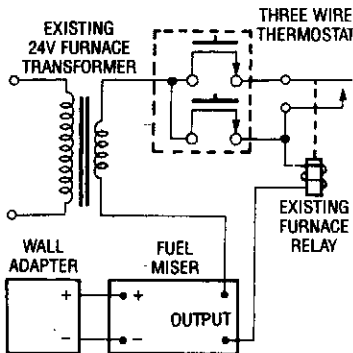
## FURNACE FUEL MISER (Cont.)



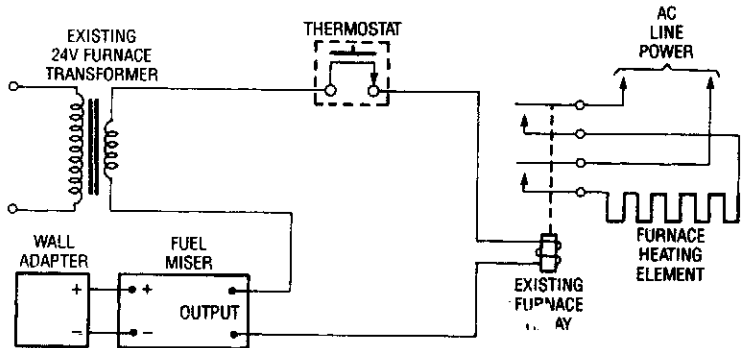
When the circuit is working properly, the output circuitry can be checked using a 24-volt step-down transformer, a 1k resistor, and an LED. Together those components simulate the load that the Fuel Miser sees during normal operation.



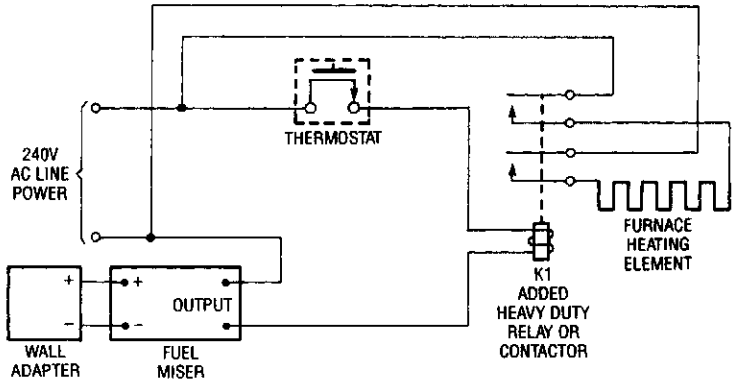
This drawing shows the Fuel Miser connected in series with the thermostat of a two-wire gas furnace that's powered by a 24-volt transformer.



Some oil-fired systems use three-wire thermostats to control the operation of the burner motor and ignition system by activating a relay. This is a typical installation for such systems.

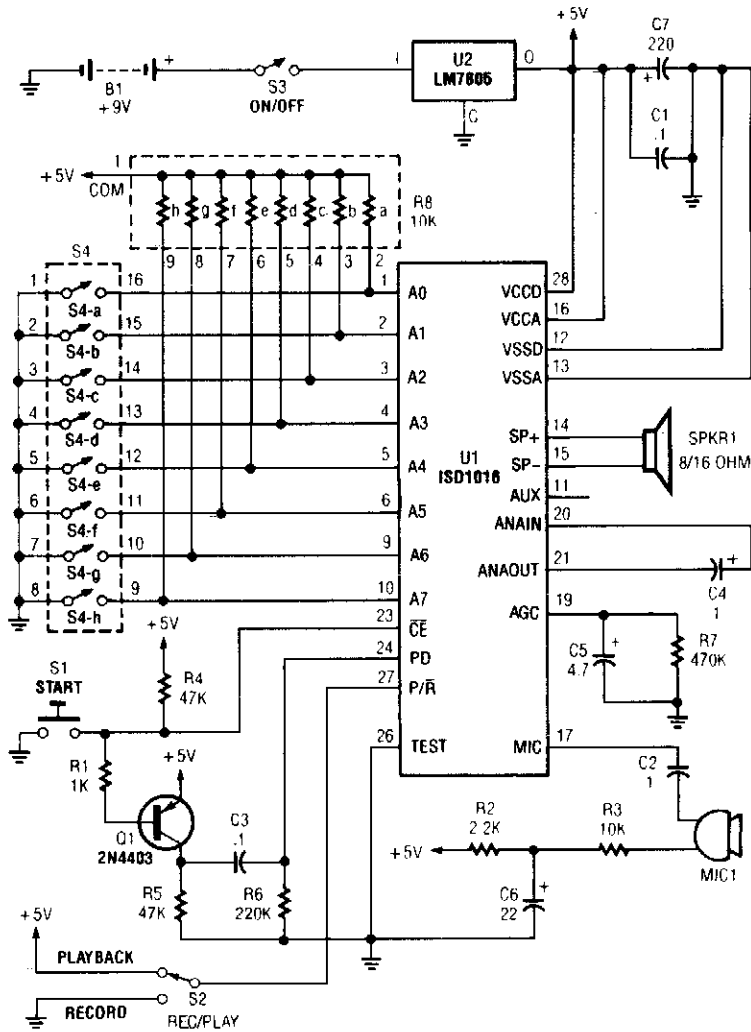


Electric-heating systems may or may not use a relay in the thermostat circuit. Those that do have a relay can be controlled by the Fuel Miser by wiring its output circuit in series with the relay coil connections as shown here.

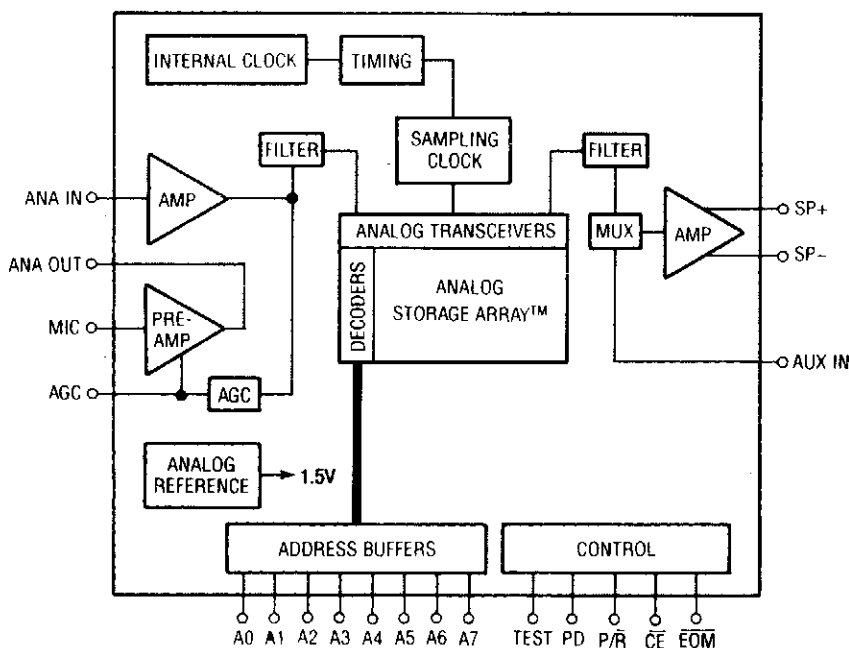


Electric-heating systems that do not contain a low-current thermostat (as in the previous installation), use a heavy-duty thermostat that directly feeds current to the heating element. For such systems, it will be necessary to install a heavy-duty relay (K1 in this example) to control the heavy heating-element current.

# PERSONAL MESSAGE RECORDER



## PERSONAL MESSAGE RECORDER (Cont.)



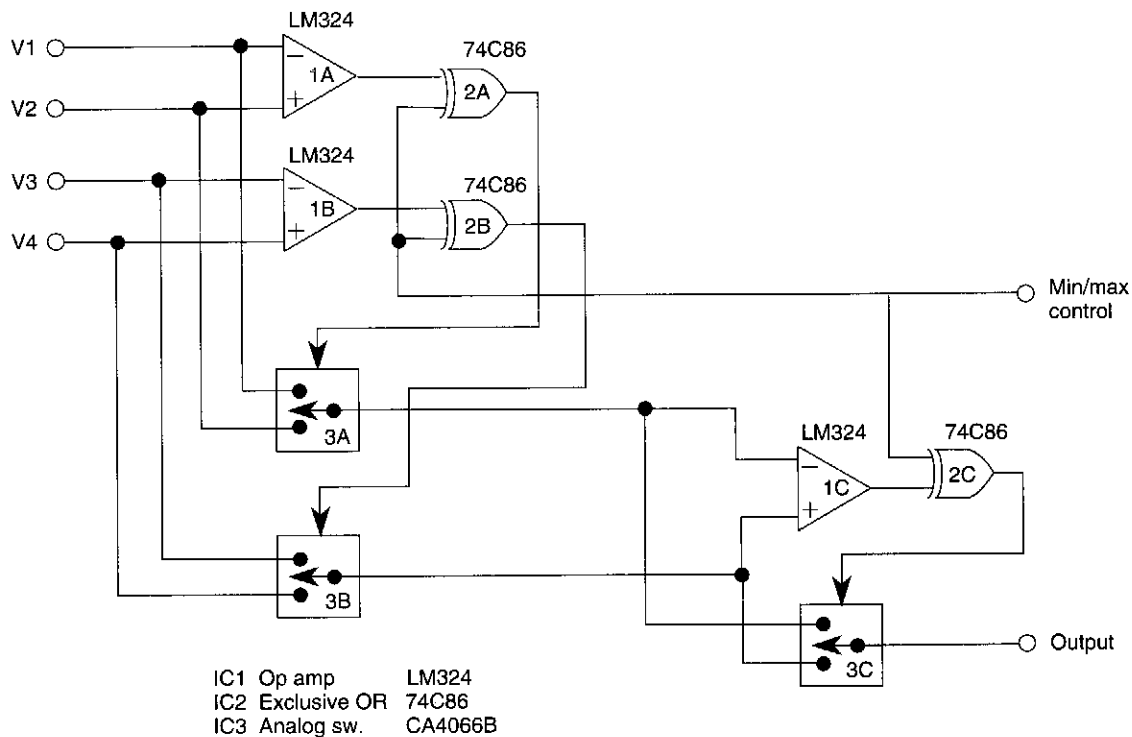
The personal message recorder is built around an ISD1016 CMOS voice messaging system, which does away with the cumbersome and expensive analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog conversion circuits.

A functional block diagram of the ISD1016 is shown. The ISD1016 contains all of the functions necessary for a complete message-storage system. The preamplifier stage accepts audio signals directly from an external microphone and routes the signals to the ANA OUT (analog out) terminal. An automatic-gain control (AGC) dynamically adjusts the preamplifier gain to extend the input signal range. Together, the preamp and AGC circuits provide a maximum gain of 24 dB. The internal clock samples the signal and, under the control of the address-decoding logic, writes the sampling to the analog-storage array. Eight external input lines allow the ISD1016's message space to be addressed in 160 equal segments, each with a 100-millisecond duration. When all address lines are held low, the storage array can hold a single, continuous, 16-second message.

However, there is a special addition to the POWERDOWN input (pin 24) of U1. If the internal memory becomes full during recording, an overflow condition is generated in order to trigger the next device. Once an overflow occurs, pin 24 must be taken high and then low again before a new playback of record operation can be started.

Transistor Q1, C3, R5, and R6 form a one-shot pulse generator that automatically clears any overflow condition each time that start switch (S1) is pressed. Switch S2 selects either the playback or the record mode. Switch S4—an 8-position (a-h) DIP switch—is included in the circuit to allow the circuit's record/playback time to be varied from 0 to 16 seconds. The maximum time available is when all 8 switch positions are closed (or set to the on position). Resistor network R8 (a-h) is included in the circuit to provide a pull-up function for the address lines, which thereby controls U1's record/playback time.

## FOUR-INPUT MINIMUM/MAXIMUM SELECTOR



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FIG. 57-5

This circuit outputs the maximum (or the minimum) of the four input voltages  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ , and  $V_4$ . Each of these input voltages is in the range 0 to 5 V.

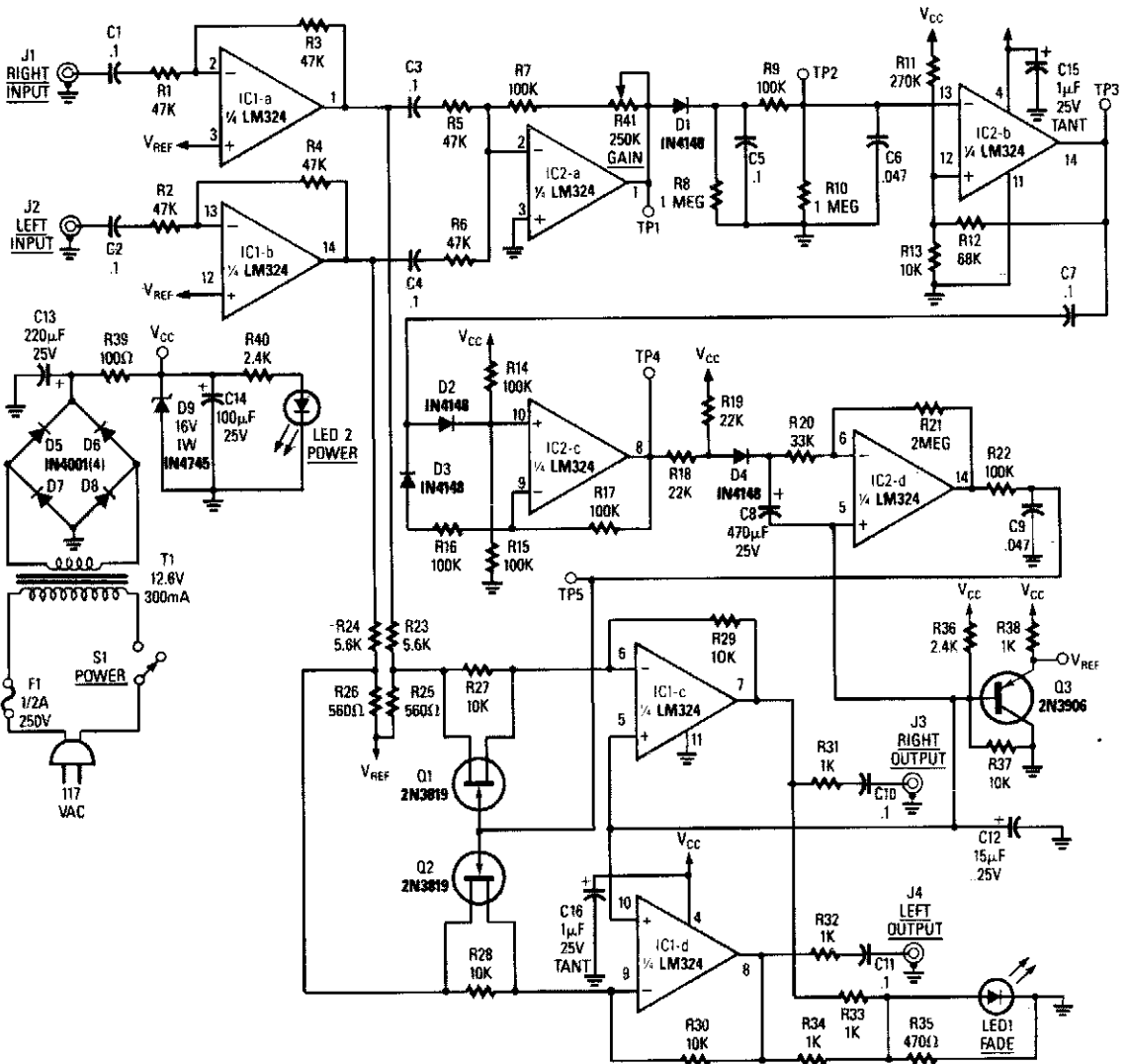
The output of the unit is the maximum of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ , and  $V_4$  if the control voltage input is 5 V (i.e., logical 1). The output is the minimum of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ , and  $V_4$  if the control input is zero.

By cascading  $N$  such units, one can select the maximum (or the minimum) of  $3N + 1$  input voltages.

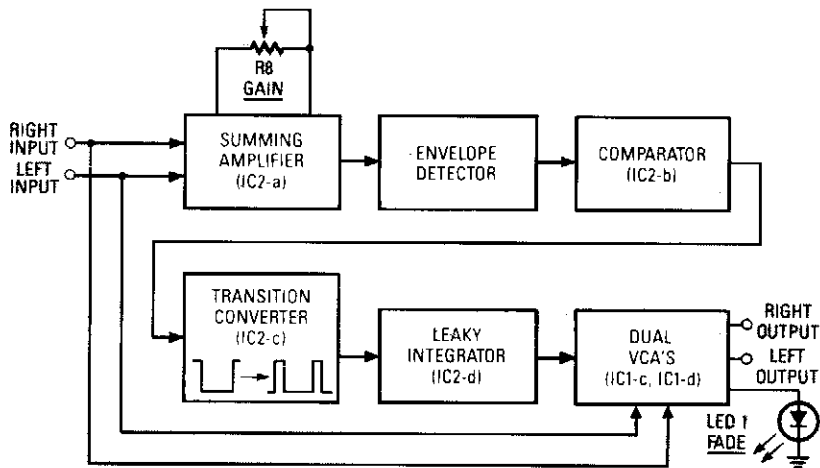
Thus if  $k$  is the number of input voltages, we need  $\lceil (k+1)/3 \rceil$  units.



# RADIO COMMERCIAL ZAPPER



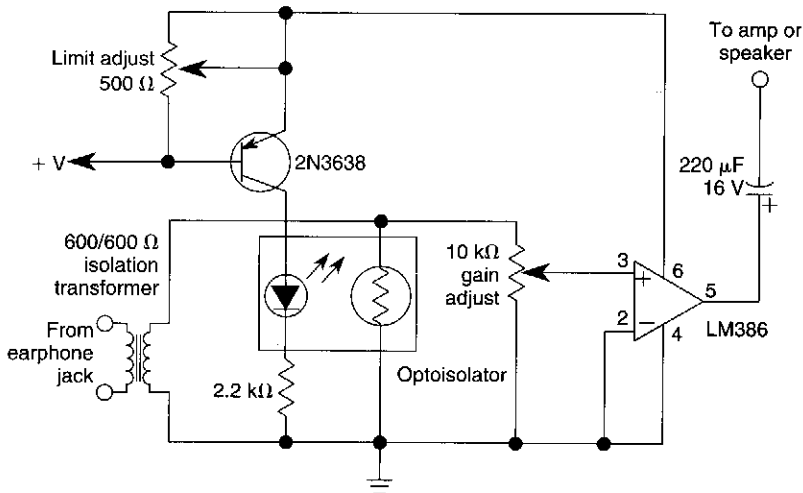
## RADIO COMMERCIAL ZAPPER (Cont.)



**BLOCK DIAGRAM OF THE COMMERCIAL KILLER:** The envelope of the signal is used to vary the pulse rate from IC2-c. The pulses are integrated; the resulting signal controls the gains of a pair of VCA's.

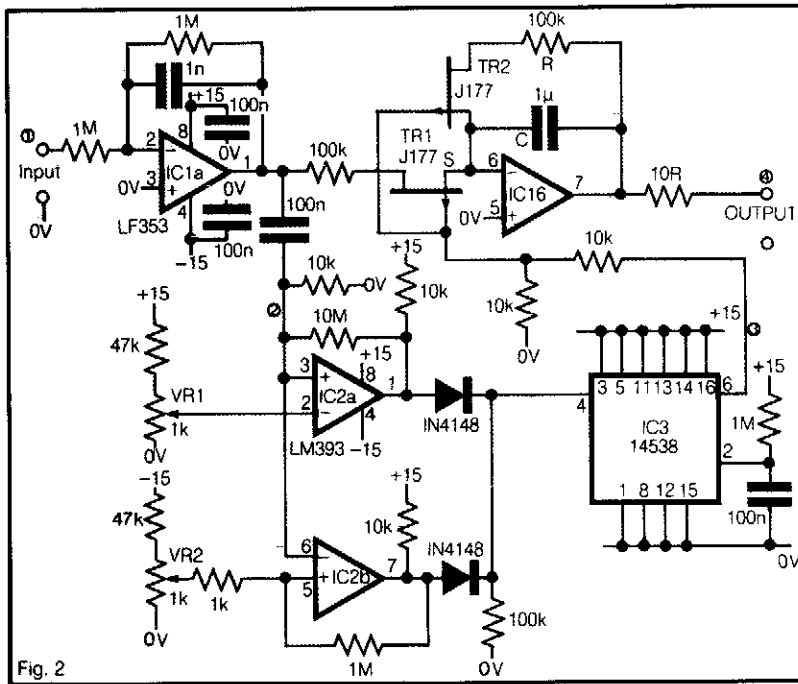
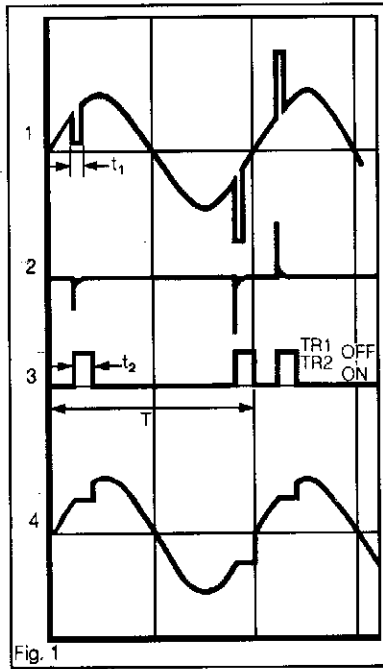
The L&R inputs are summed, dated and drive a comparator. The comparator senses level and generates a transition when audio inputs go above or below preset thresholds. The number of these transitions (corresponding to rapid volume changes) are integrated and feed voltage controlled amplifiers. This device actually senses dynamic range.

## AUDIO LIMITER



An optoisolator is used as an attenuator in this circuit. When the LM386 draws more current on audio signals, the 2N3638 turns on, which biases the optoisolator on, and reduces the volume.

# ANALOG DE-GLITCH CIRCUIT





## ANALOG DE-GLITCH CIRCUIT (Cont.)

Low-frequency signals produced by transducers, measurement equipment, or data loggers often appear like the first waveform in the figure. The circuit shown operates as a tracking sample-and-hold, and the transients are replaced in the output by the stored value of the current signal at the instant of the transient.

The input signal is buffered and inverted by IC1a, and the differentiated result shown at 2 applied to the inputs of two comparators IC2-a and IC2-b. VR1 and VR2 set levels to prevent false or unnecessary operation. Either comparator output triggers the mono IC3 from positive or negative signal transients. When IC3 has not been triggered, TR1 and TR2 'p' channel JFETs are on, and IC1b operates as an integrator with a high leakage, and tracks the input signal. When the mono is triggered as at 3, TR1 and TR2 turn off and the previous signal value is held constant, as shown at 4. The resulting output waveform can then be easily filtered to remove the harmonics from the restoring step at the end of the mono period, if needed.

The criteria for successful operation are:

$$t_2 > t_1 \text{ (mono period longer than glitch)}$$

$$t_2/T \text{ small (to optimize output waveform)}$$

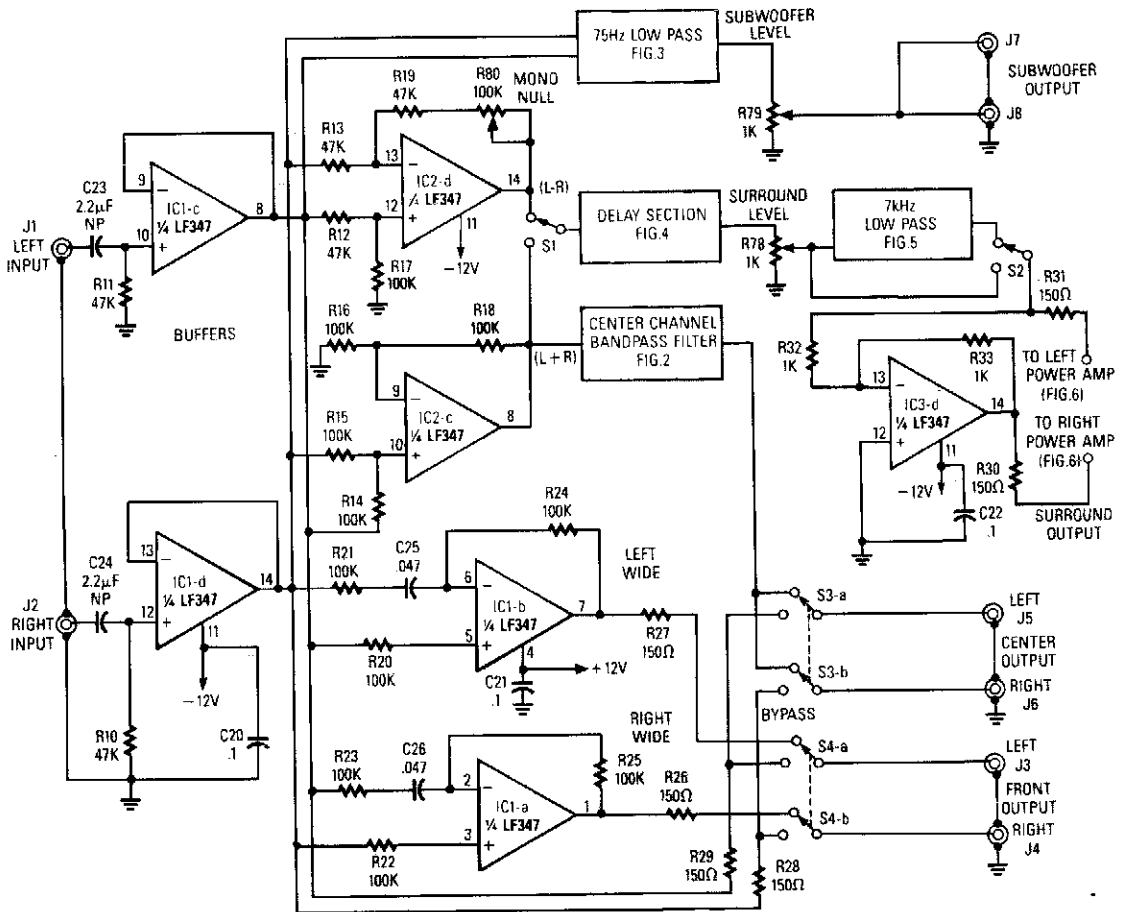
$$\text{Signal bandwidth } f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi CR}$$

$$\text{Signal phase } \theta = \tan^{-1} 2\pi f CR$$

The signal range is approximately  $\pm 5$  V, depending on the transient amplitude and polarity. The mono period shown is 100 mS, but this can be optimized in practical applications. The shorter the mono period in relation to the signal waveform, the better the quality of the result.

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# ACOUSTIC FIELD GENERATOR



THE AFG IS MADE UP OF 10 relatively simple circuit elements.

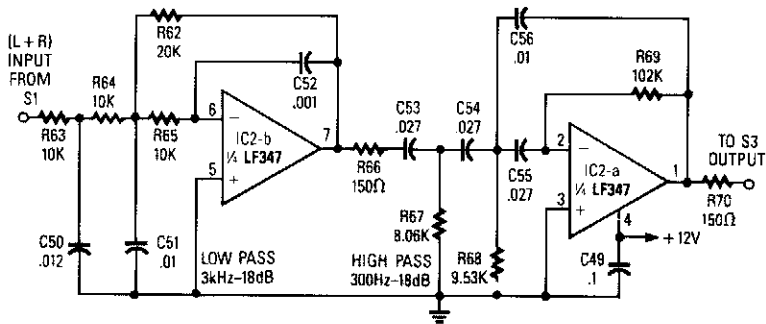
A

Referring to the simplified schematic in A, the AFG is made up of 10 relatively simple circuit elements. IC1-c and IC1-d are configured as unity-gain noninverting buffer amplifiers.

The summing ( $L+R$ ) amplifier, IC2-c, combines equal amounts of the left and right signals, via R14 and R15, to develop a total composite signal. Left- and right-channel signals are applied equally through R13 and R12 to IC2-d, the difference ( $L-R$ ) decoder. Any common to both channels is canceled by IC2-d, which exactly balances the inverting and noninverting gains of the amplifier for a perfect null.

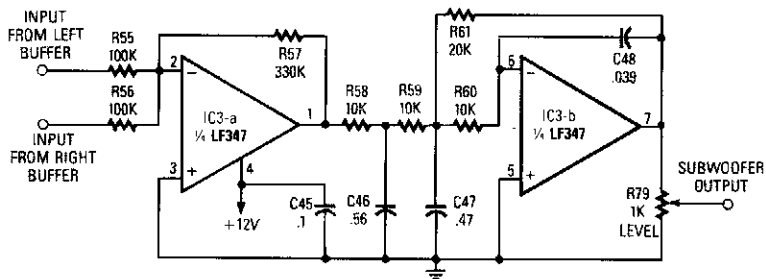
The stereo width-enhancement circuit made up from IC1-a and IC1-b works similarly to the ( $L-R$ ) decoder, except that C25 and C26 have been added in the inverting inputs of each op amp. IC1-b develops the "left wide" signal because its inverting and noninverting inputs are connected to the left

## ACOUSTIC FIELD GENERATOR (Cont.)



**THE CENTER-CHANNEL SPEECH FILTER** is built by cascading a 3-kHz low-pass filter with a 300-Hz high-pass filter to form a band-pass filter.

**B**



**AN ACTIVE CROSSOVER NETWORK** for driving a high-power subwoofer system is made from IC3-a and IC3-b.

**C**

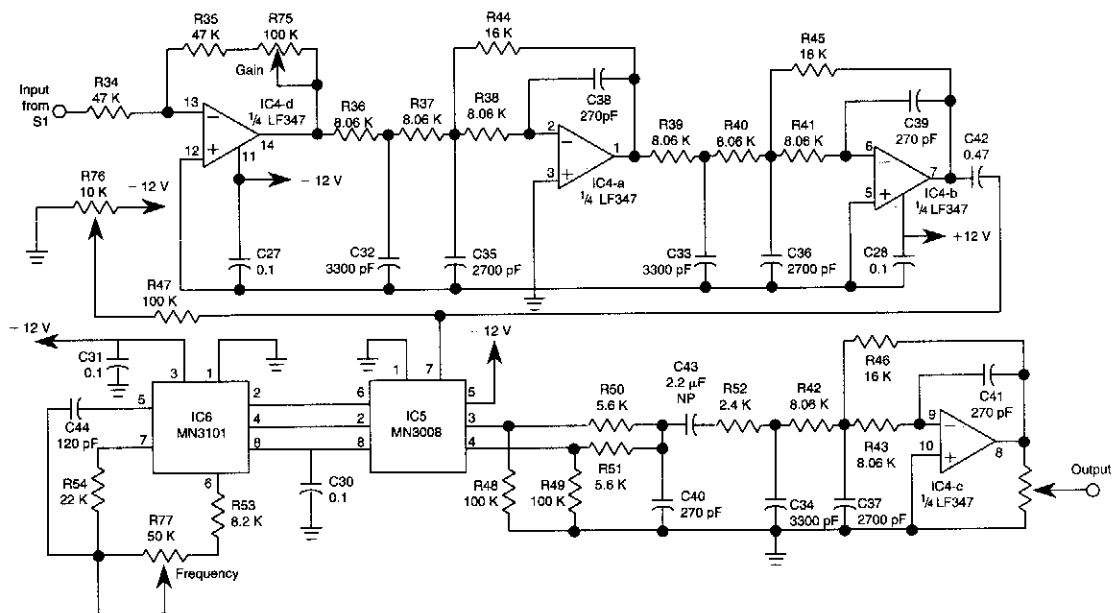
and right channels opposite that of IC1-a. The output of the width-enhancement circuit is routed to S4, which selects either the “wide” or the bypass signal for feeding the front-channel amplifier.

The center-channel dialogue filter is built by cascading a 3-kHz low-pass filter with a 3-Hz high-pass filter to form a band-pass filter. It has a sharp  $-18$  dB/octave cutoff, a flat voltage and power frequency response, and minimum phase change within the passband.

In C, IC3-a and IC3-b form an active crossover network for driving a subwoofer. IC3-a sums signals from the left- and right-channel buffer amps, it inverts the summed signal 180 degrees, and provides a low driving impedance for the following filter stage. IC3-b and its associated RC network form a 75-Hz, 3rd-order low-pass filter. The filter inverts the signal another 180 degrees, so the signal that appears across R79 (which is the output-level control) is back in phase with the original input signal.

The delay section of the AFG, shown in D, is built around the MN3008 bucket brigade device (BBD), and the MN3101 two-phase variable-frequency clock generator. The amount of delay required in this system varies between approximately 5 to 35 milliseconds. The delay time of a BBD is equal to the number of stages divided by twice the clock frequency. Values were chosen for R53, R54, R77, and C44, to produce a clock frequency, adjustable via R77, which varies from about 30 kHz to 130 kHz.

## ACOUSTIC FIELD GENERATOR (Cont.)

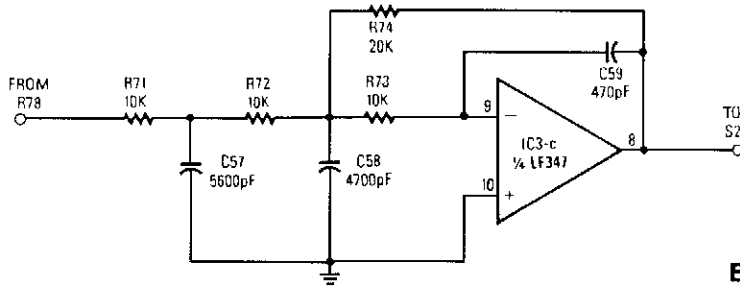


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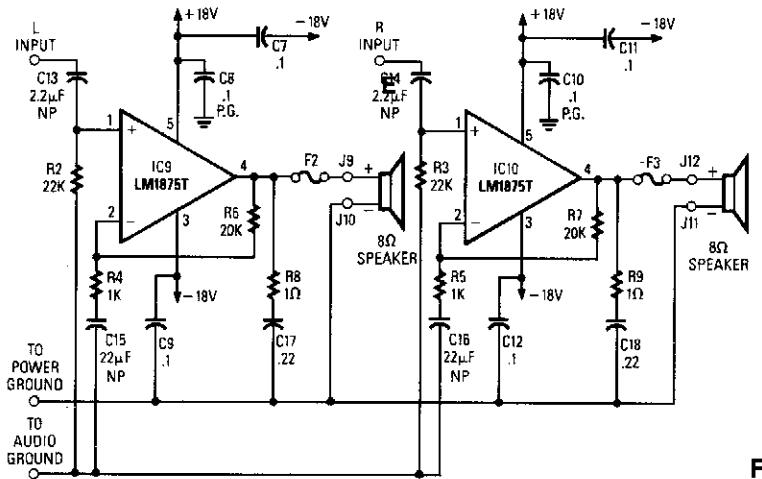
In A, S1 selects the signal to be delayed; either the difference signal ( $L-R$ ) from IC2-d in the matrix mode or the sum signal ( $L+R$ ) from IC2-c in the concert mode. The selected signal is fed from S1 to the delay section (D) where IC4-d is configured as an inverting amplifier; R75 adjusts the gain between unity and X3. Integrated circuits IC4-a and IC4-b, along with their associated RC networks, are identical 3rd-order 15-kHz low-pass filters. Cascading two filters produces a very sharp cut off ( $-36$  dB per octave). Potentiometer R76 adjusts the bias voltage required by the BBD to exactly one half the supply voltage, as required.

The power supply of the AFG, shown in G, is of conventional design. A 25-V center-tapped transformer, along with diodes D1 and D2, produces about  $\pm 18$ -V unregulated dc. Two 2200- $\mu$ F filter capacitors provide ample energy storage to meet the high-current demands of the audio output amplifier ICs during high output peaks.

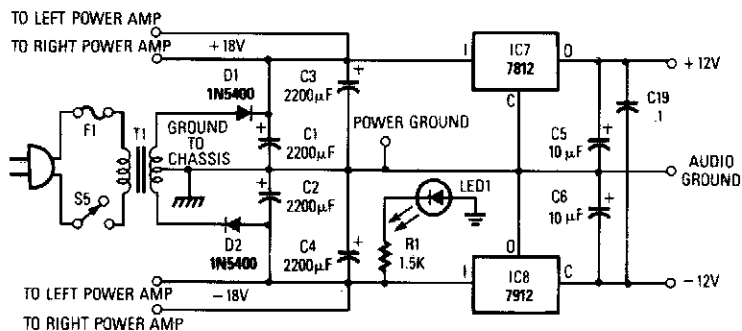
## ACOUSTIC FIELD GENERATOR (Cont.)



A 3rd-ORDER 7-kHz LOW-PASS FILTER is made from IC3-c and its associated RC network.



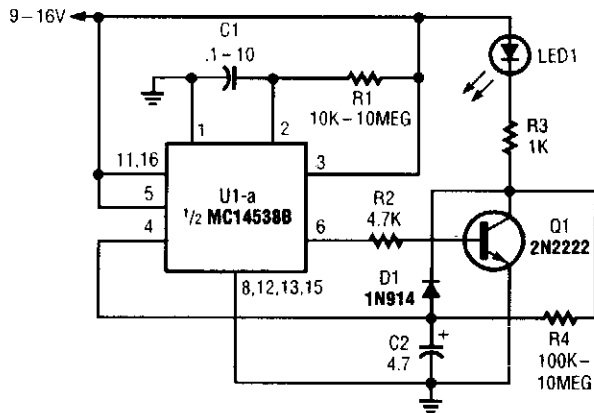
THE SURROUND CHANNEL POWER AMPLIFIERS are designed around a pair of LM1875 monolithic power-amplifier IC's.



THE POWER SUPPLY produces about  $\pm 18$ -volts unregulated DC.



## SELF-RETRIGGERING TIMED-ON GENERATOR



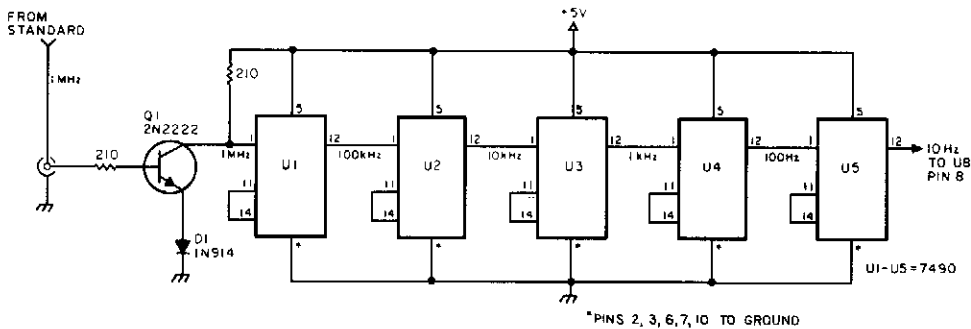
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FIG. 57-14

When power is first applied to the circuit, C2 begins to charge via LED1, R3, and R4. When the voltage across C2 reaches U1's input trigger level, the output of U1 at pin 6 goes positive for a period that is determined by the values of C<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>1</sub>. That turns Q1 on, discharging C2 through D1 and Q1.

At the end of the set period, the output of U1 at pin 6 goes low, turning Q1 off and allowing the current to begin flowing through LED1, R3, and R4 to gain charge C2, causing the cycle to repeat. The repeat time is determined by the values of R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, and C<sub>2</sub>. The previous formula won't be as accurate for this circuit, but it will at least get you close enough for the capacitor value; then R<sub>4</sub> can be fine-tuned to obtain the desired timing period.

## FREQUENCY DIVIDER FOR MEASUREMENTS

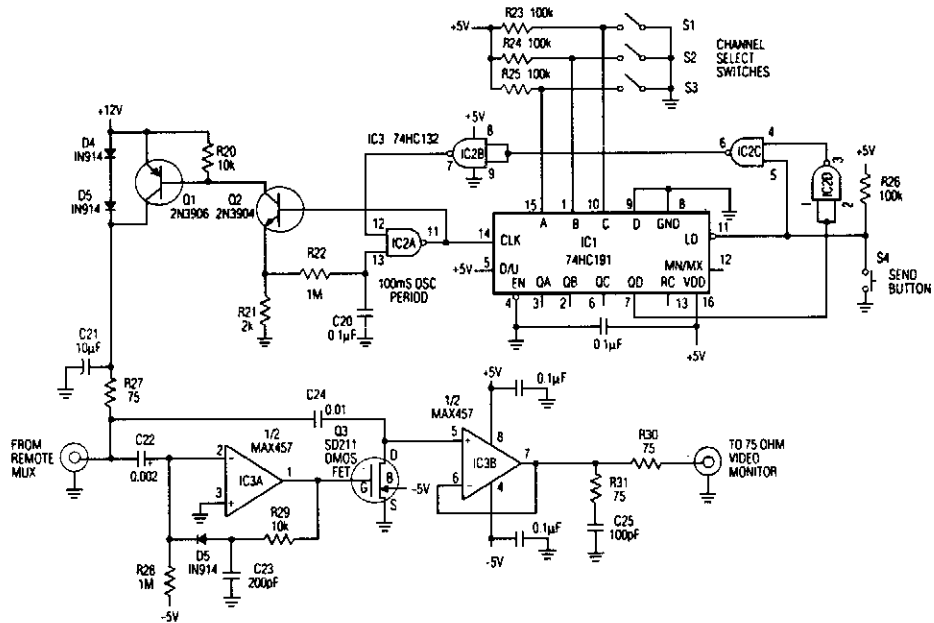


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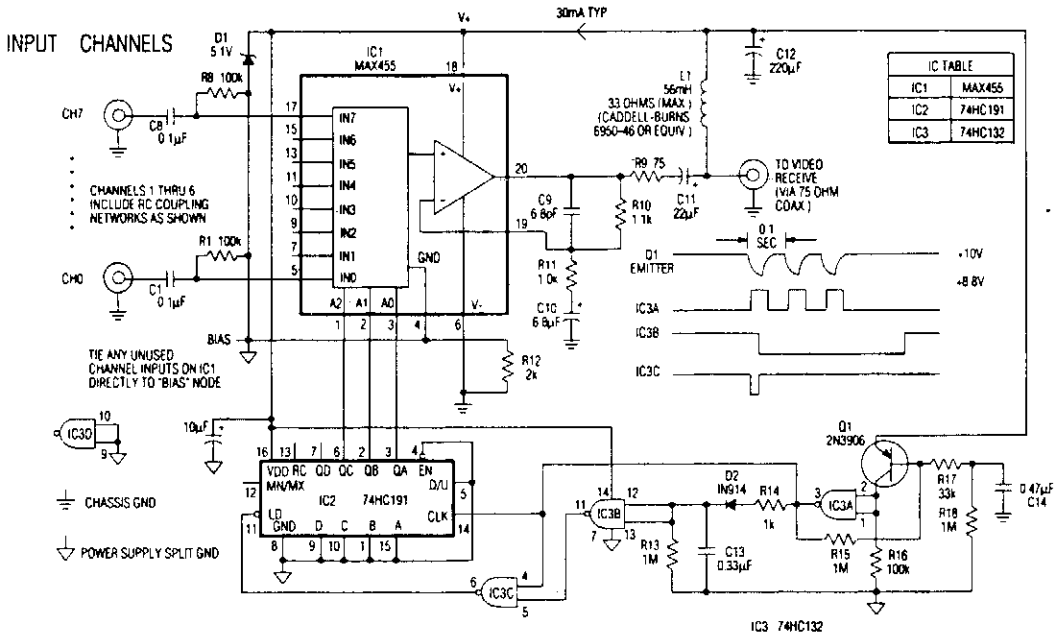
FIG. 57-15

This circuit is meant to be driven by a 1-MHz standard signal of a few volts amplitude. U1 through U5 are 7490 decade counter/divider and produce a division ratio of 100,000:1. Successive divisions of 10 can be tapped off, if desired, between stages. One or more stages can be added for still lower frequencies.

# VIDEO, POWER, AND CHANNEL-SELECT SIGNAL CARRIER



**A**



**B**



## VIDEO, POWER, AND CHANNEL-SELECT SIGNAL CARRIER (Cont.)

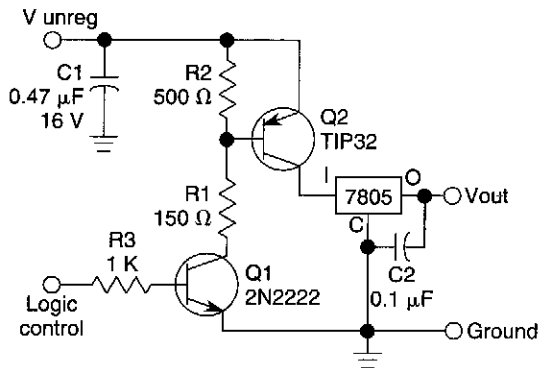
In the video system of Figs. A and B, a single coaxial cable carries power to the remote location, selects one of eight video channels, and returns the selected signal. The system can choose one of several remote surveillance-camera signals, for example, and display the picture on a monitor near the interface box.

The heart of the multiplexer box (A) is a combination 8-channel multiplexer and amplifier (IC1). C11 couples the multiplexer's baseband video output to the coax, and L1 decouples the video from dc power arriving on the same line. This power—approximately 30 mA at 10 V—supplies all circuitry in the multiplexer box.

In interface box (B), a desired channel is encoded by three bits, set either by switches as shown or by an applied digital input. Momentary depression of the send button triggers downconverter IC1 and gated oscillator IC2A to initiate a channel-selection burst.

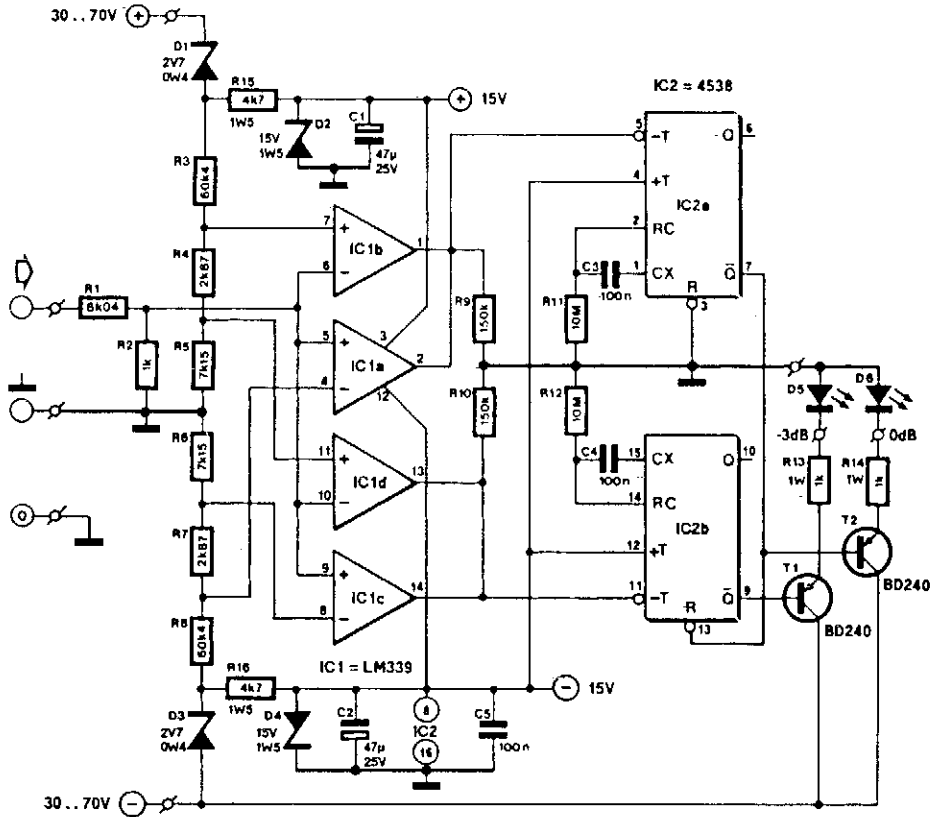
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### 7805 TURN-ON CIRCUIT



A logic level can control a 7805 regulator with this circuit. Q2 is a series switching transistor controlled by Q1. Q1 is turned on by a logic voltage to its base.

## AF DRIVE INDICATOR



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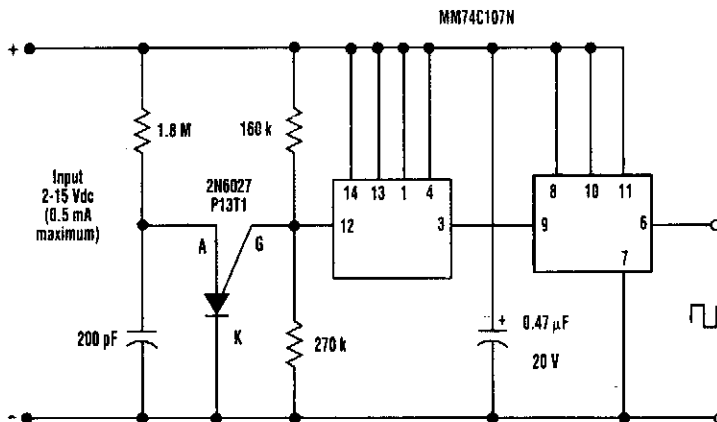
FIG. 57-18

This circuit was used with an audio power amplifier to detect the point at which output is  $-3$  dB from maximum, indicated by LED D5, and at clipping, shown by LED D6. The indicator can be used with any amplifier operating from a  $\pm 30$  to  $\pm 70$  V symmetrical supply.





## dc OUTPUT CHOPPER



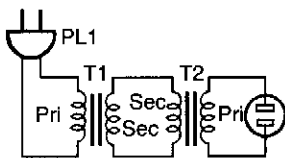
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FIG. 57-24

Any dc voltage source in the 2- to 15-V range can be chopped into a unipolar square wave that has a peak amplitude nearly equal to the dc source voltage with circuit (lightly loaded CMOS will swing within a few millivolts of each rail at low frequencies). Depending on the actual voltage of the supply, the programmable-unijunction-transistor (PUT) relaxation oscillator produces 2000-Hz trigger pulses. These pulses operate the cascaded 74C107 flip-flop, producing a square wave.

## ac ISOLATION TRANSFORMERS USE INEXPENSIVE 12-V TRANSFORMERS

“Safety first!” is a good motto to follow when you play with electricity. You can follow that adage more closely with this homebrew isolation transformer.

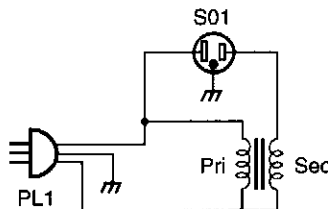


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FIG. 57-25

## ac LINE VOLTAGE BOOSTER

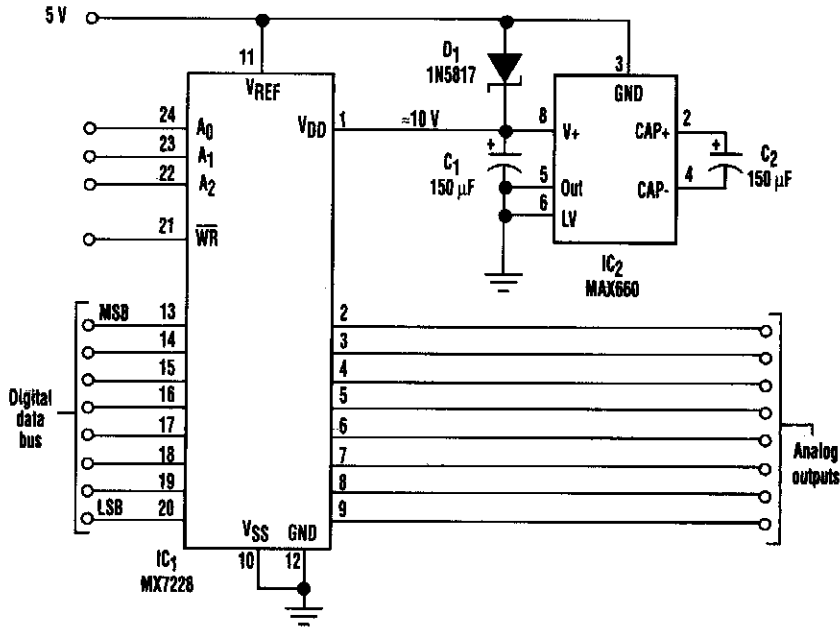
When incoming ac power drops, you can bring the voltage back up with this booster circuit. It adds the transformer's secondary voltage to the ac line voltage.



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FIG. 57-26

## OCTAL D/A CONVERTER

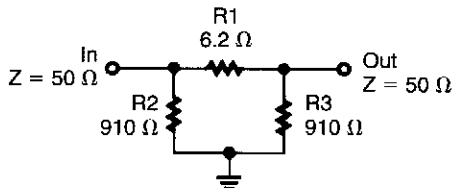


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FIG. 57-27

This octal digital-to-analog converter operates on 5 V and provides eight output voltages, each digitally adjustable from supply rail to supply rail (0 to 5 V). Each output's resolution is 20 mV/LSB. The DAC chip (IC1) requires 3.5 V of "headroom" between its  $V_{DD}$  and reference voltages. However, a voltage-doubler charge pump (IC2) removes this limitation by generating an approximate 10-V supply for  $V_{DD}$ . All of the converter references are connected to the 5-V supply. IC2 doubles the 5-V input to an unregulated 10-V output that has an output impedance of less than 10  $\Omega$ . It can deliver 100 mA, which enables the eight DACs to issue their maximum output currents simultaneously ( $8 \times 5 \text{ mA} = 40 \text{ mA}$ ).

## 1-dB PAD

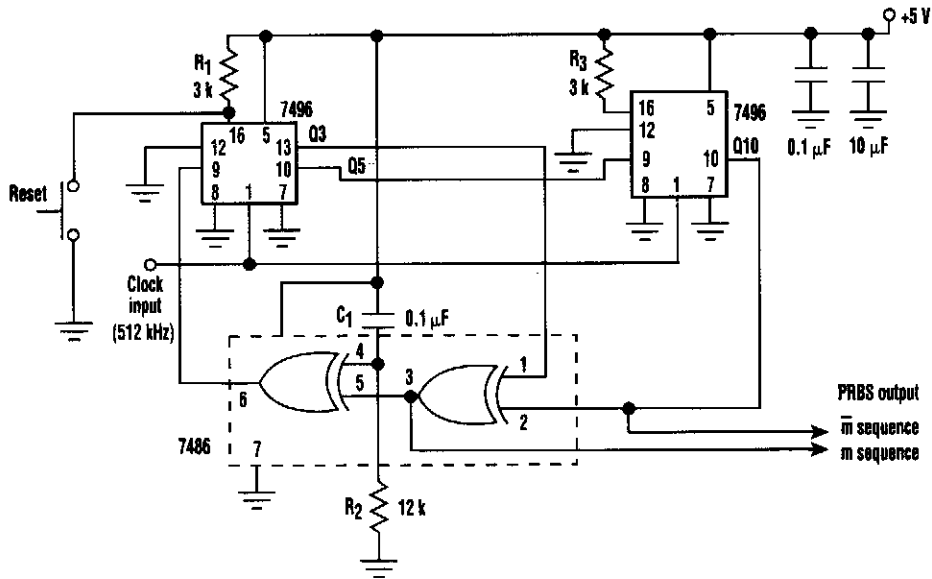


The 1-dB pad is useful as a termination in RF work to limit possible mismatch range between system blocks, etc.

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FIG. 57-28

## PSEUDO-RANDOM BIT SEQUENCE GENERATOR



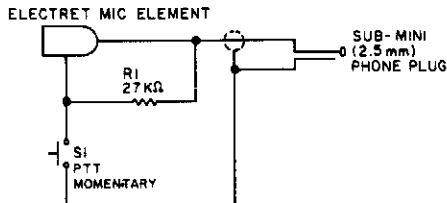
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FIG. 57-29

In this circuit, an additional exclusive-OR gate is connected after the modulo-2 feedback, with C1 and R2 applying the supply turn-on ramp into the feedback loop. This provides sufficient transient signal so that the PRBS generator can self-start a power-up. A shift-register length  $n$  of 10 is shown with feedback at stages 3 and 10, providing true and inverted maximal length sequence outputs.

This technique applies an input directly to the feedback loop. Therefore, it's considered more reliable than applying an RC configuration to the shift-register reset input to create a random turn-on state.

## SIMPLE EXTERNAL MICROPHONE CIRCUIT FOR TRANSCEIVERS

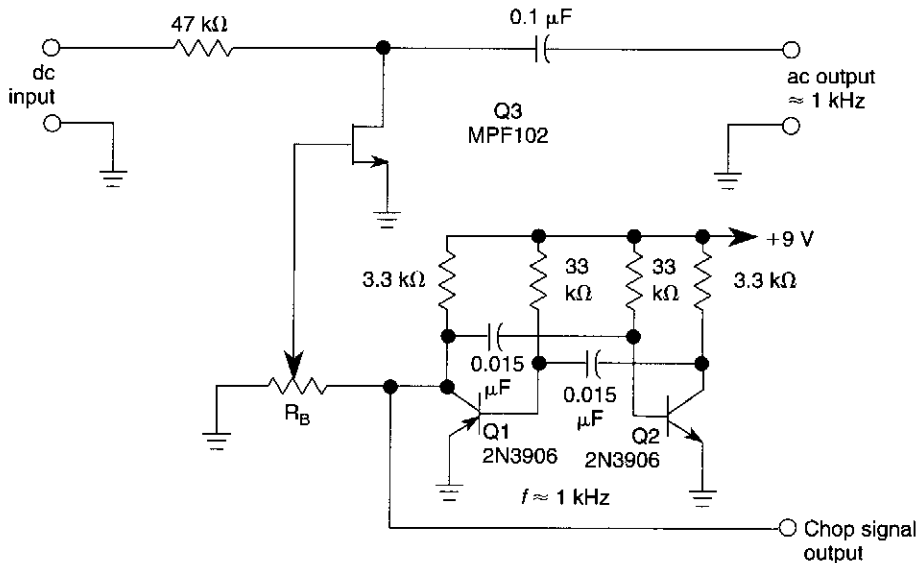


Used originally for an Icom ICZAT handie talkie, this circuit might prove useful in other applications.

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FIG. 57-30

## JFET CHOPPER CIRCUIT

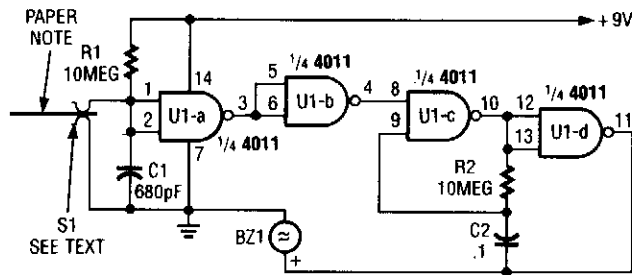


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FIG. 57-31

A JFET (MPF102) is used to chop a dc signal for amplification in an ac coupled amplifier. Q3 is the chopper element and Q1-Q2 forms the multivibrator to derive a chopping signal.  $R_B$  sets the bias on the FET to keep the drive to MPF102 as low as possible.

## AUDIO MEMO ALERT



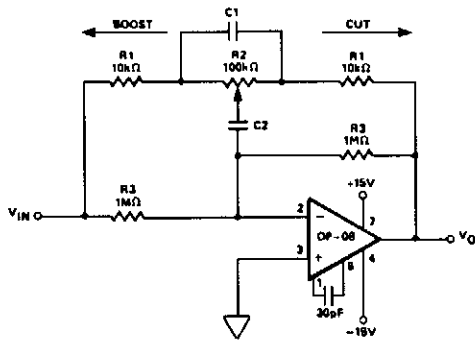
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FIG. 57-32

This device prevents paper notes and memos from being overlooked. A paper note placed between two fingers made of a conducting material (metal or conductive plastic) breaks the circuit, allowing pair 1 of U1-a to go high. This causes U1-c & U1-d to act as an oscillator, pulsing piezo buzzer BZ1.



## OCTAVE EQUALIZER



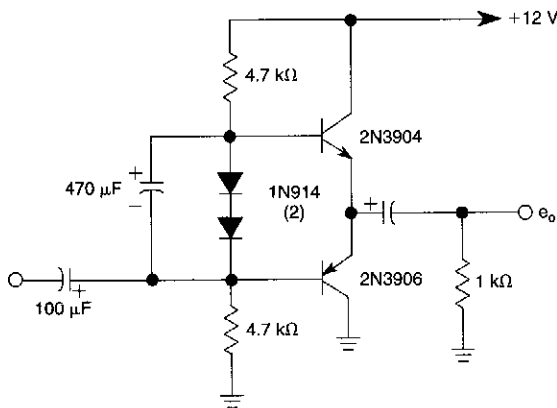
| $f_o$ (Hz) | $C_1$         | $C_2$         |
|------------|---------------|---------------|
| 32         | $0.18\mu F$   | $0.018\mu F$  |
| 64         | $0.1\mu F$    | $0.01\mu F$   |
| 125        | $0.047\mu F$  | $0.0047\mu F$ |
| 250        | $0.022\mu F$  | $0.0022\mu F$ |
| 500        | $0.012\mu F$  | $0.0012\mu F$ |
| 1k         | $0.0056\mu F$ | $560pF$       |
| 2k         | $0.0027\mu F$ | $270pF$       |
| 4k         | $0.0015\mu F$ | $150pF$       |
| 8k         | $680pF$       | $68pF$        |
| 16k        | $360pF$       | $36pF$        |

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FIG. 57-33

This circuit is one section of an octave equalizer used in audio systems. The table shows the values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  that are needed to achieve the given center frequencies. This circuit is capable of 12 dB boost or cut, as determined by the position of  $R_2$ . Because of the low input bias current of the OP-08, the resistors could be scaled up by a factor of 10, and thereby reduce the values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  at the low-frequency end. In addition, 10 sections will only draw a combined supply current of 6 mA maximum.

### COMPLEMENTARY OR BILATERAL ac EMITTER-FOLLOWER CIRCUIT

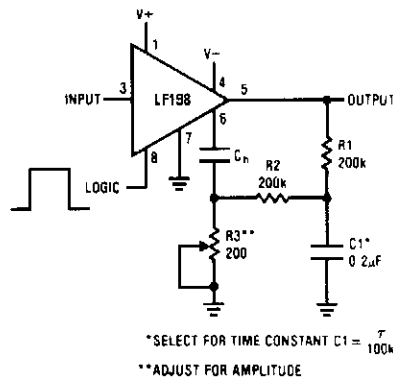


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FIG. 57-34

This noninverting circuit uses a pair of complementary npn (2N3904) and pnp (2N3906) transistors.

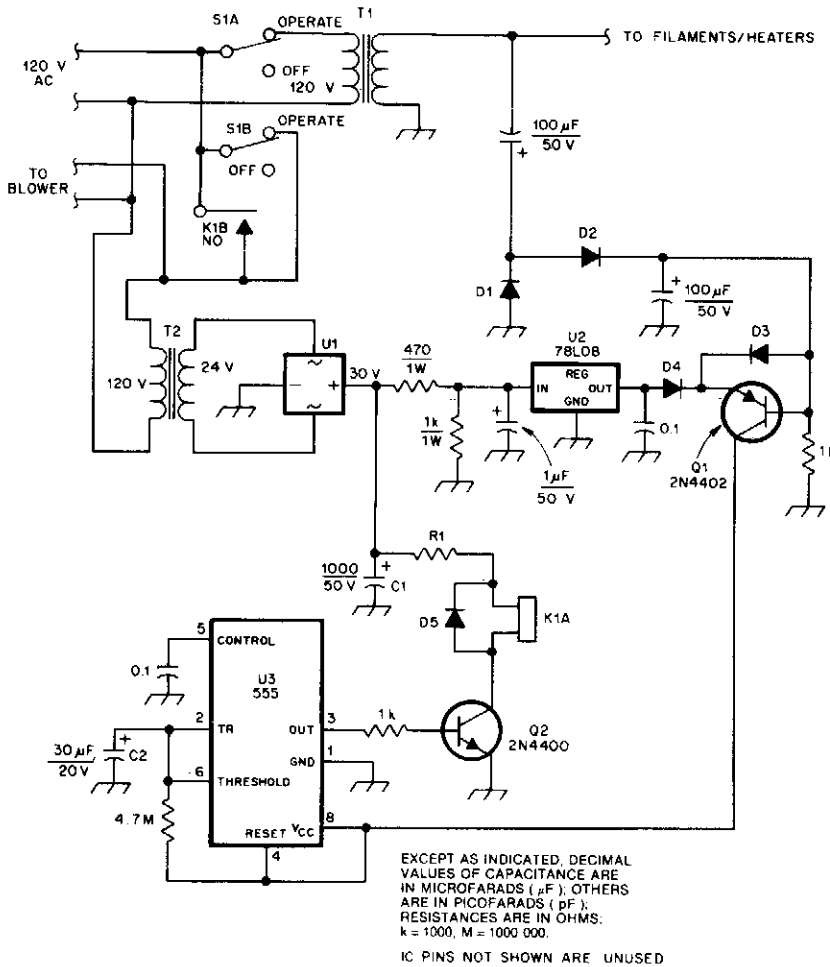
### CAPACITOR HYSTERESIS COMPENSATOR



LINEAR DATABASE

FIG. 57-35

## AMPLIFIER COOL-DOWN CIRCUIT I

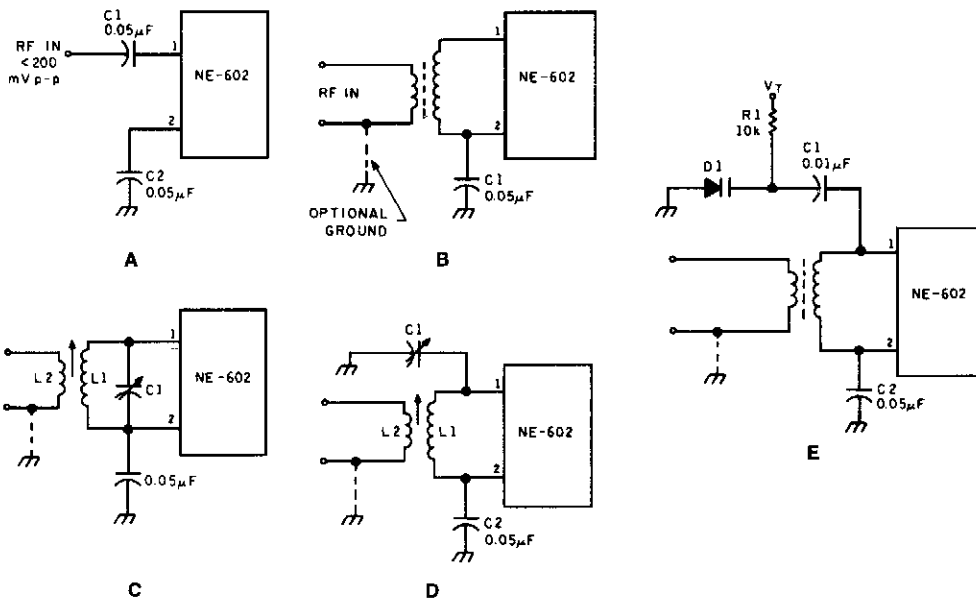


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FIG. 57-36

This cool-down relay circuit uses an IC timer to drive a relay, which keeps the blower on for a time delay from timer U3. The value of  $C_2$  can be changed to lengthen or shorten the time, as needed.

## NE602 INPUT CIRCUITS

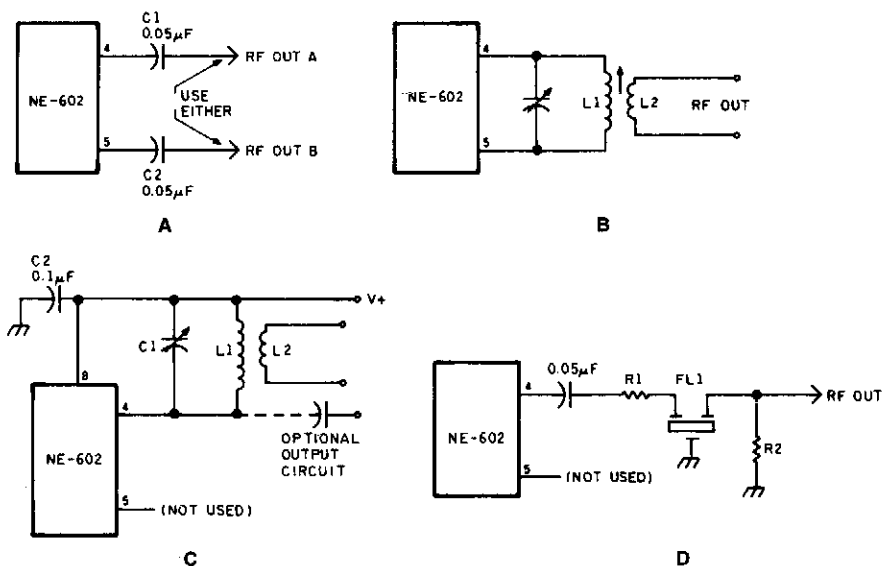


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FIG. 57-37

Input circuits for the NE-602.

## NE602 OUTPUT CIRCUITS

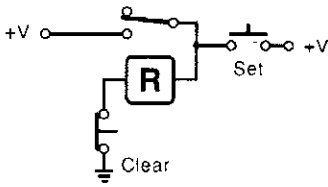


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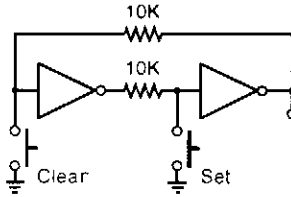
FIG. 57-38

Output circuits for the NE-602.

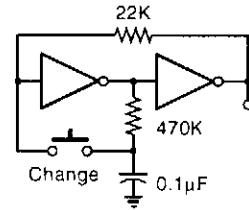
## BASIC LATCH CIRCUITS



(A) Relay converted to latch.



(B) Inverter pair used as latch.



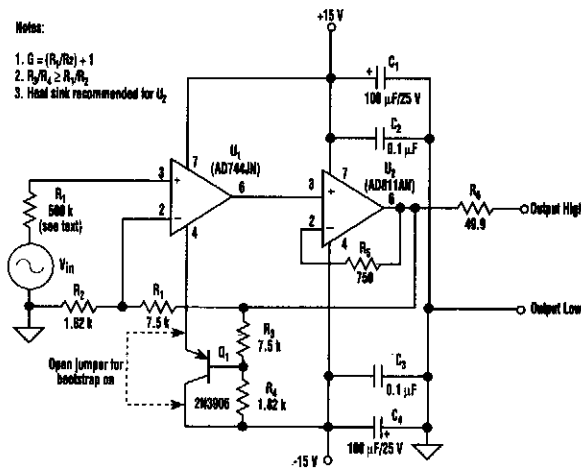
(C) Alternate action pushbutton.

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FIG. 57-39

Some simple latches and alternate action circuits.

## BOOTSTRAP CIRCUIT

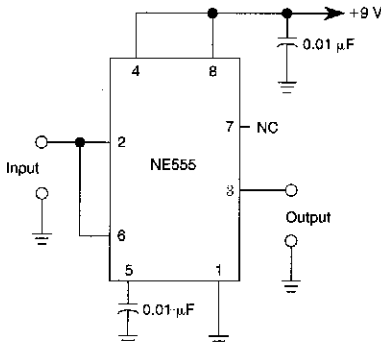


Bootstrapping the substrate of a JFET amplifier reduces the distortion caused by the non-linearity of the JFET input capacitance. In the figure, a second feedback divider bootstraps the substrate of  $U_1$ . With  $R_1 = 500 \text{ k}\Omega$  (source impedance), THD at 10 kHz was reduced an order of magnitude.

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FIG. 57-40

## SIMPLE SCHMITT TRIGGER

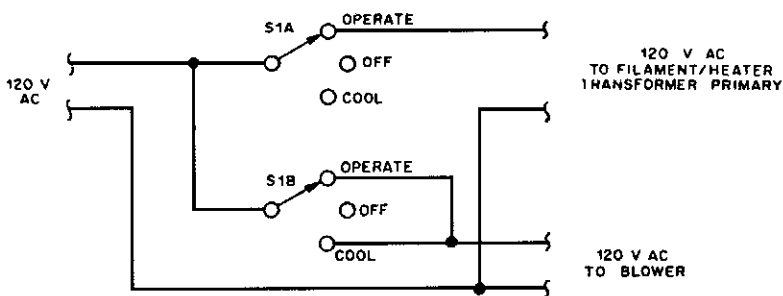


A 555 IC is shown configured to function as a Schmitt trigger. Inputs above and below the threshold level will turn the circuit on and off producing a square wave output.

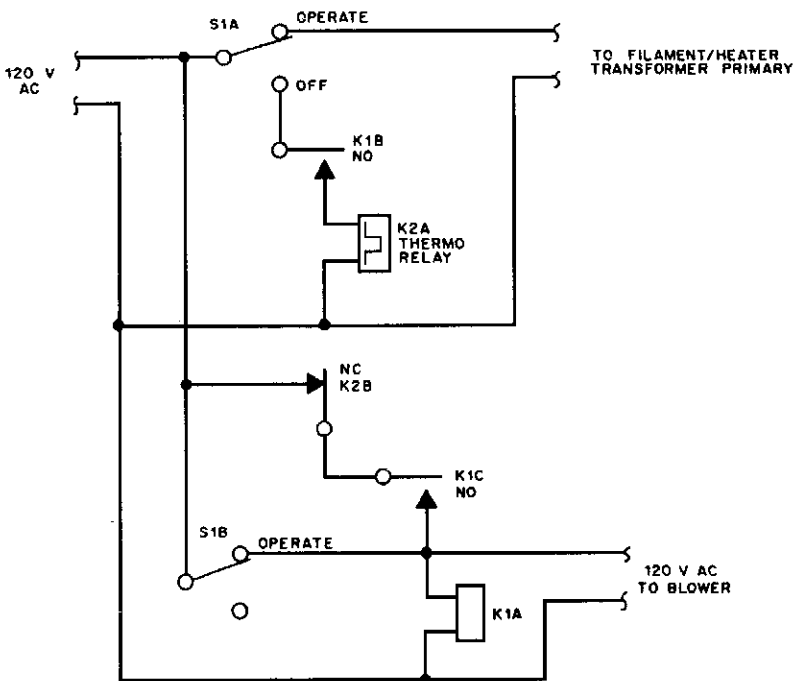
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FIG. 57-41

## AMPLIFIER COOL-DOWN CIRCUIT II



**A**



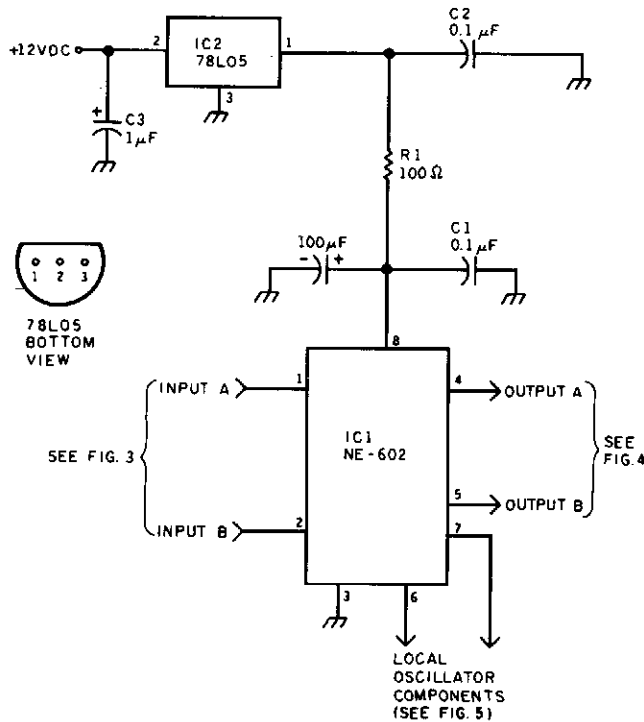
**B**

QST

**FIG. 57-42**

High-power amplifiers used in RF service, using vacuum tubes, often benefit from leaving the blower air flow on after removal of filament/heater voltage.

## NE602 dc POWER CIRCUITS

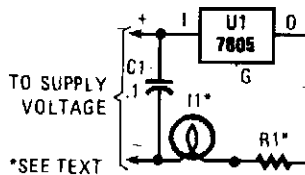


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FIG. 57-43

The dc power supply circuit for the NE-602.

## INRUSH CURRENT LIMITER



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FIG. 57-44

A 7805 can be configured as a constant-current regulator, to serve as an inrush current limiter.  $R_1$  will have 5 V across it at all times so the total current through  $I_1$  will be  $5 V/R_1 + 5 \text{ mA}$ , the 5 mA being the regulator operating current. In this case,  $R_1 = 5 V/95 \text{ mA} = 52.6 \Omega$  for  $I_1$  current = 100 mA.

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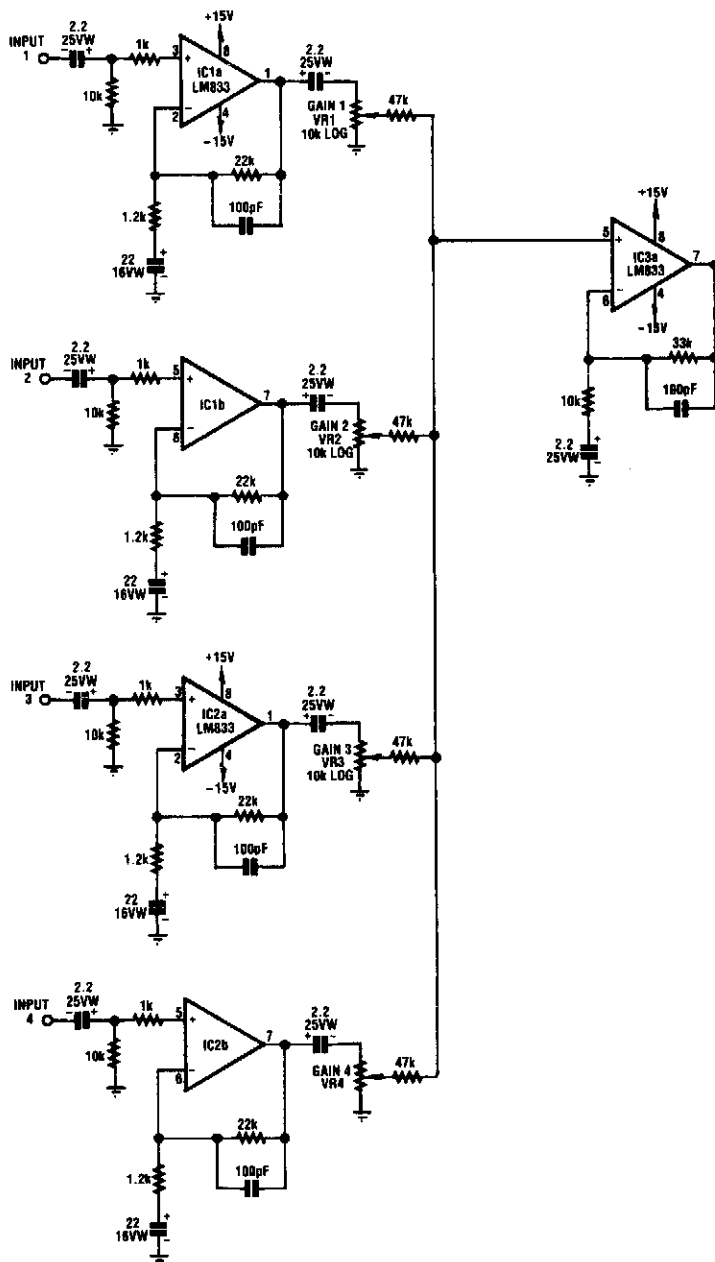
## Mixer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Low-Noise 4-Channel Guitar Mixer  
Audio Mixer  
FET Microphone Mixer  
Unity-Gain Four-Input Audio Mixer  
FET Op Amp Microphone Mixer

## LOW-NOISE 4-CHANNEL GUITAR MIXER



### SILICON CHIP

IC1-a, IC1-b, IC2-a, and IC2-b all function with a gain of about 19. Their outputs are mixed via the level-control pots and the resulting signal amplified by IC3-a and fed to tone-control stage IC3-b. Finally, the output from IC3-b is fed to unity-gain buffer stage IC4-a via volume-control potentiometer VR8.



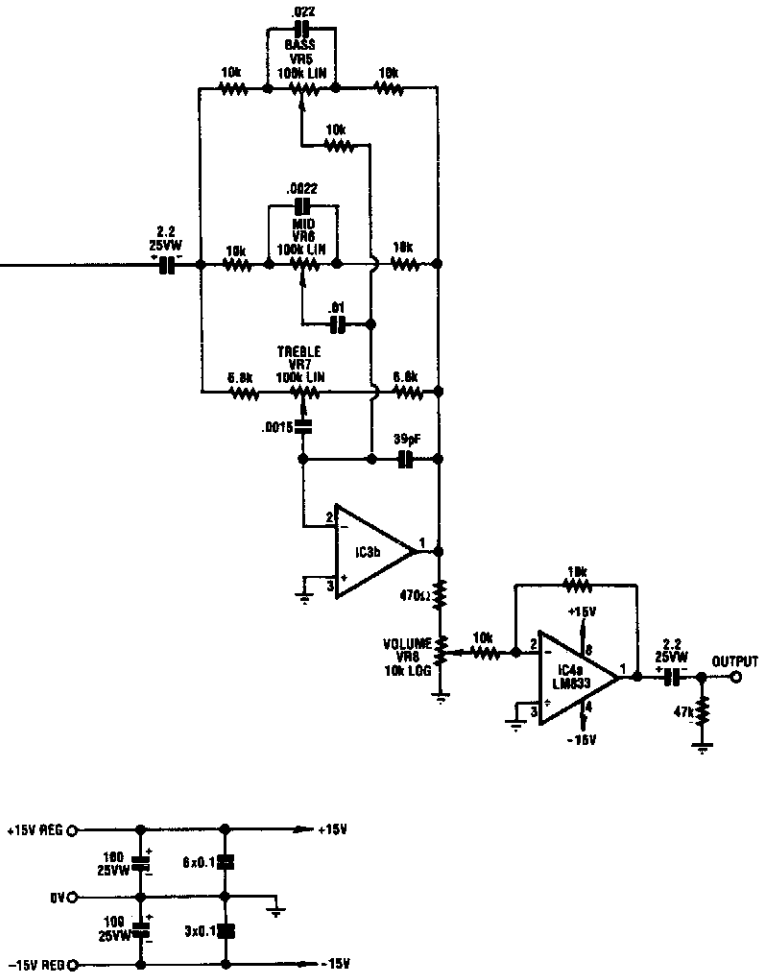
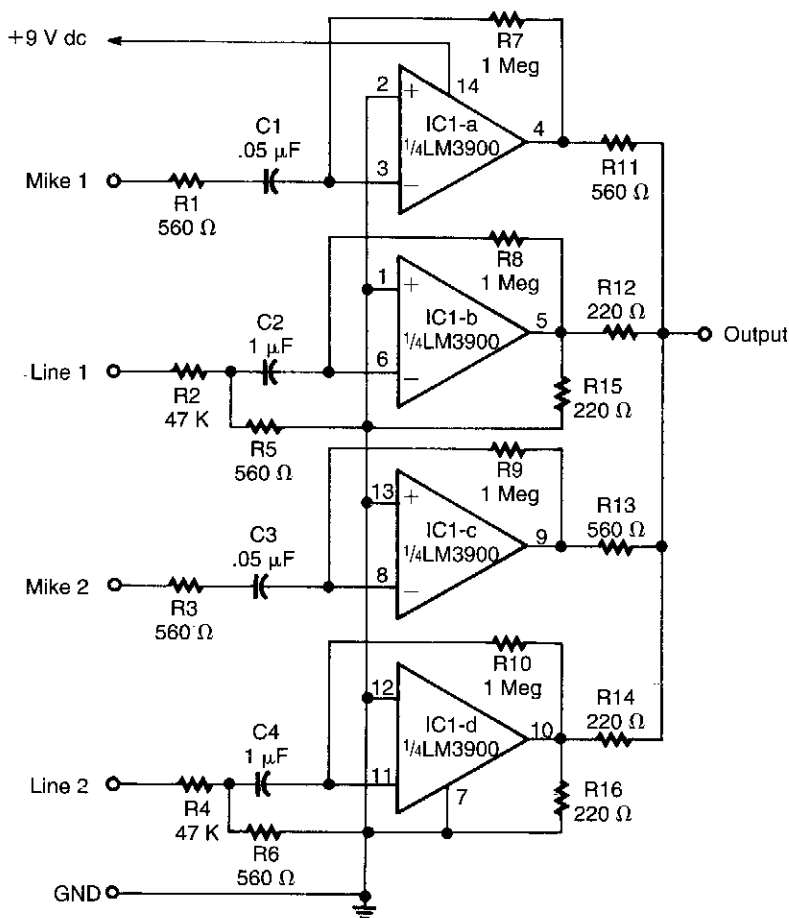


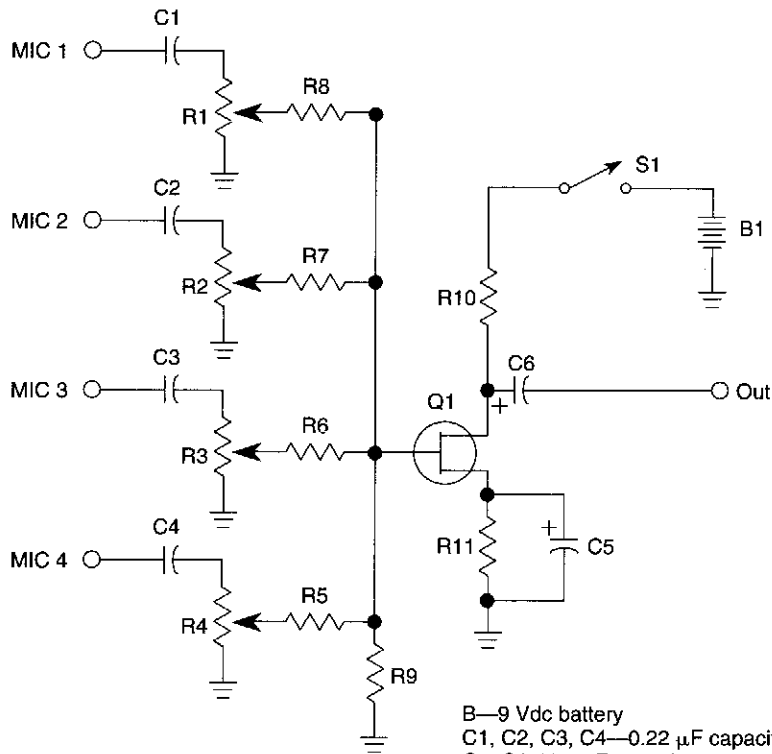
FIG. 58-1

## AUDIO MIXER



Designed around an LM3900 quad op amp, this mixer combines 2-line and 2-mike inputs and sums them at the output terminal. R7 through R10 can be changed to vary the gain (around +23 dB).

## FET MICROPHONE MIXER



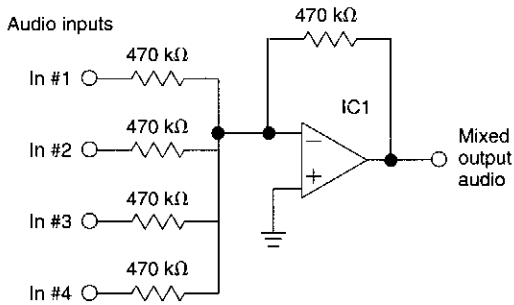
- B—9 Vdc battery
- C1, C2, C3, C4—0.22  $\mu$ F capacitor
- C5, C6—10  $\mu$ F capacitor
- R1, R2, R3, R4—500 k $\Omega$  potentiometer, audio taper
- R5, R6, R7, R8—2.2 M $\Omega$  resistor
- R9—10 M $\Omega$  resistor
- R10—2.2 k $\Omega$  resistor
- R11—470  $\Omega$  resistor
- Q1—FET (field effect resistor), MPF102
- S1—SPST switch

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FIG. 58-3

A JFET transistor is used as a high-to-low impedance converter and signal mixer. Input impedance is approximately 500 k $\Omega$  but it can be increased by increasing R5 to R8 as high as 10 M $\Omega$ . Output Z is about 2 k $\Omega$ , but it can be increased or decreased by changing the value of R<sub>10</sub>. Use 560 or 680  $\Omega$  to feed a 600- $\Omega$  input; use 100 k $\Omega$  to 1 M $\Omega$  for high impedance.

## UNITY-GAIN FOUR-INPUT AUDIO MIXER



The circuit has four inputs. The voltage gain between each input and the output is held at unity by the relative values of the 470kΩ input resistor and the 470kΩ feedback resistor.

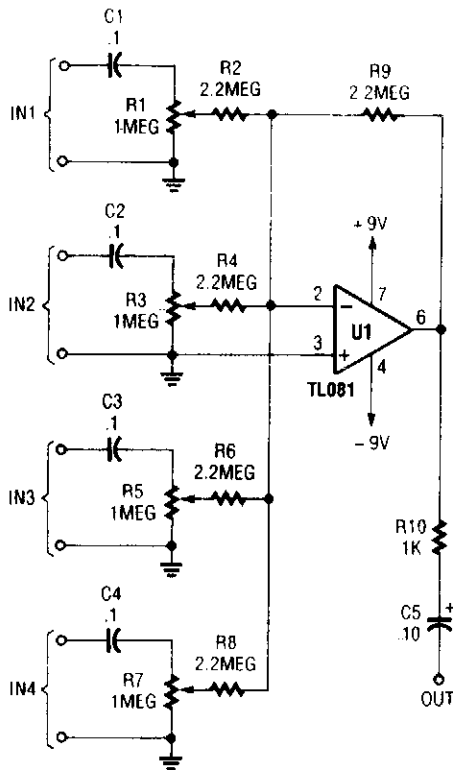
$$E_{OUT} = -(In \#1 + In \#2 + In \#3 + In \#4)$$

IC1 = LM741, etc.

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FIG. 58-4

## FET OP AMP MICROPHONE MIXER



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FIG. 58-5

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## Modulator Circuits

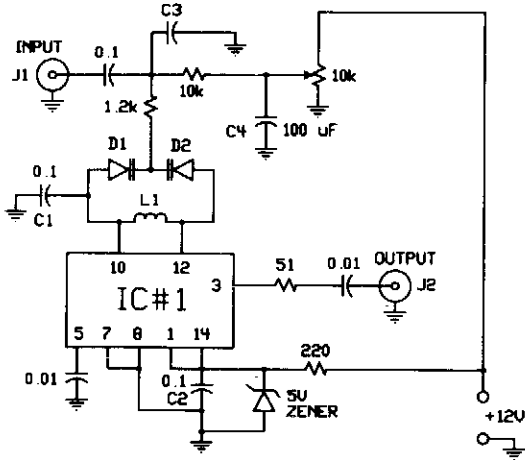
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FM Modulator  
455-kHz Modulator  
555 FM Circuit

## FM MODULATOR

IC-1 - Motorola MC-1648P  
 All resistors 5%, 0.25 W  
 Zener - 5.1 V, 0.5 W  
 All 0.1 and 0.01  $\mu$ F capacitors ceramic, 16V  
 C4 - 100  $\mu$ F, 16 V electrolytic  
 D1, D2 - Motorola MV-209  
 L1 - airwound, 6 turns, 3/16" dia., 5/16" long, 20 AWG  
 C3 - 500 pF, silver mica

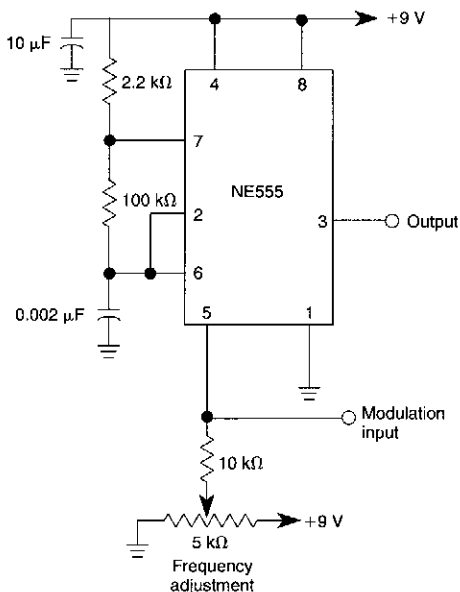


The FM modulator is built with a Motorola MC1648P oscillator. Two varactors, Motorola MV-209, are used to frequency modulate the oscillator. The 5000- $\Omega$  potentiometer is used to bias the varactors for best linearity. The output frequency of approximately 100 MHz can be adjusted by changing the value of the inductor. The output frequency can vary as much as 10 MHz on each side. The output level of the modulator is -5 dBm. In this prototype, the varactor bias was 7.5 V for best linearity; but this could be different with other varactors.

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FIG. 59-1

## 455-kHz MODULATOR



This circuit shows how to frequency-modulate the oscillator using a 555. Oscillator frequency is set with the 5-k $\Omega$  potentiometer and the modulation signal is dc-coupled.

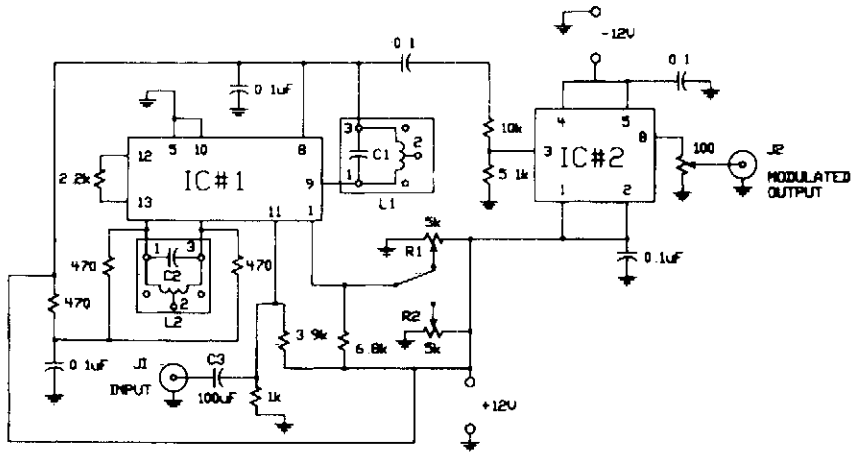
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FIG. 59-2

## 555 FM CIRCUIT

IC-1 - Motorola MC-1374P  
 IC-2 - National LH0002C  
 L1, L2 - Mouser Electronics #4211F200  
 C1, C2 - silver mica, 300 pF  
 All 0.1 uF cap., ceramic disc, 16V  
 C3 - 100 uF, 10 V, electrolytic  
 All resistors 5%, 0.25 W

ADJUSTMENT: Adjust R1 for minimum carrier; signal from function generator should generate 500 mVpp at pin 8 of IC-2 (suppressed carrier double sideband). Adjust R2 and function generator level to achieve 800 mVpp at pin 8 of IC-2 (standard AM with carrier). Adjust L2 for 455 kHz. Adjust L1 for maximum output.



RF DESIGN

FIG. 59-3

Circuit for applying a dc-coupled FM or PPM to a 555 configured as an oscillator.

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## Monitor Circuits

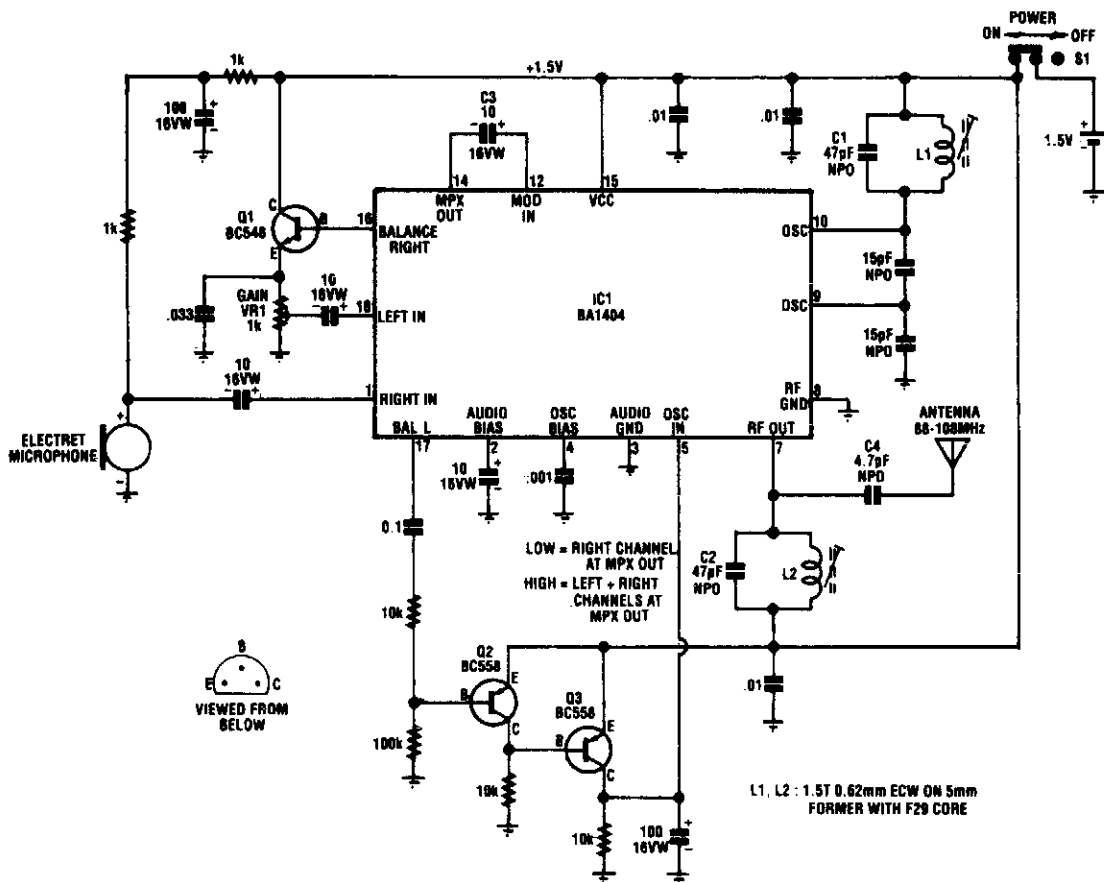
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Room Monitor  
Baby Monitor  
Bird Feeder Monitor  
Acid-Rain Monitor



## ROOM MONITOR

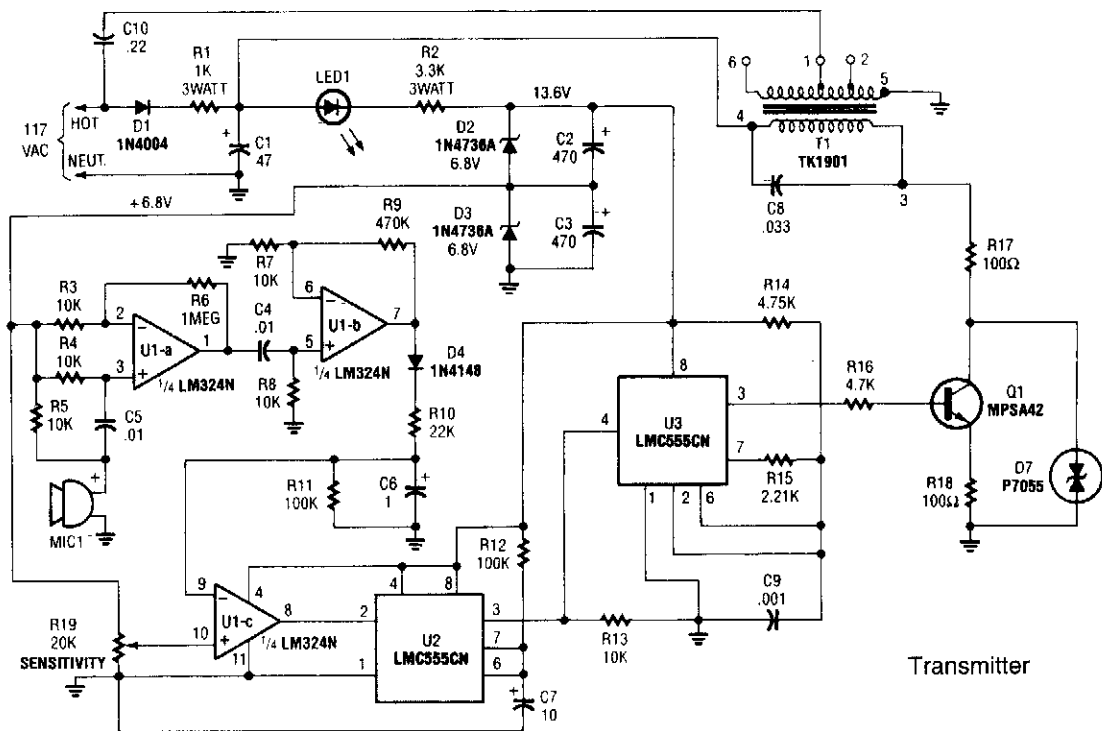


SILICON CHIP

FIG. 60-1

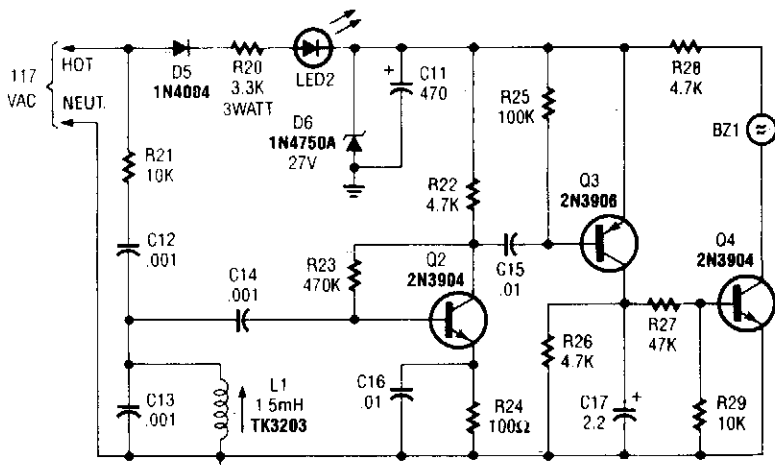
The circuit uses Q1 to buffer the right-channel balance output while Q2 and Q3 form a VOX circuit. When the signal level from the microphone goes high, the output of the VOX also goes high and the multiplexer inside IC1 switches the high-gain left-channel output through to a following buffer stage. This signal is then ac-coupled via C3 into an RF mixer stage and thence to an RF amplifier, which is tuned by C2 and L2.

# -BABY MONITOR



Transmitter

**A**



Receiver

**B**

## BABY MONITOR (Cont.)

**Transmitter operation.** Operating power for the transmitter circuit is derived directly from the ac line. The dc power to operate the circuit is generated in two stages, one for an RF power-amplifier stage, and the second for the remainder of the circuit.

The ac line voltage is applied to D1, which half-wave rectifies the ac input. The resulting dc voltage (approximately 30V under load) is fed across an RC filter (comprised of R1 and C1) and used to operate amplifier, Q1. The second stage of the power supply (composed of LED1, R2, D2, D3, C2, and C3, which forms a regulated +13.6-V, center-tapped supply) feeds the remainder of the circuit. LED1 is connected in series with R2 and is used as a visual power-on indicator for the transmitter.

An electret microphone element (MIC1) is used as the pick-up. The output of the microphone is ac coupled through C5 to U1-a (a noninverting op amp with a gain of about 100). The output of U1-a at pin 1 is ac coupled through C4 to the noninverting input of U1-b (which provides an additional gain of 48) at pin 5. The output of U1-b at pin 7 is then fed through D4 and R10, and across R11 and C6 to the inverting input of U1-c which is biased to a positive voltage that is set by SENSITIVITY-control R19. This represents a threshold voltage at which the output of U1-c switches from high to low.

During standby, the output of U1-c at pin 8 is held at about 12 V when the voltage developed across C6 is less than the bias-voltage setting at pin 10. When a sound of sufficient intensity and duration is detected, the voltage at pin 9 of U1-c exceeds the threshold level (set by R19), causing U1-c's output at pin 8 to go low. That low is applied to pin 2 of U2 (a 555 oscillator/timer configured as a monostable multivibrator). This causes the output of U2 to go high for about one second, as determined by the time constant of R12 and C7. The output of U2 at pin 3 is applied to pin 4 of U3 (a second 555 oscillator/timer that is configured for astable operation, with a frequency of about 125 kHz). That causes U3 to oscillate, producing a near square-wave output that is used to drive Q1 into conduction. The output of Q1 is applied across a parallel-tuned circuit composed a T1's primary and C8. The tuned circuit, in turn, reshapes the 125-kHz signal, causing a sine-wave-like signal to appear across both the primary and the secondary of T1.

The signal appearing at T1's secondary (about 1 or 2 V peak-to-peak) is impressed across the ac power line, and is then distributed throughout the building without affecting other electrical appliances connected to the line. Transient suppressor D7 is included in the circuit to help protect Q1 from voltage spikes that might appear across the power line and be coupled to the circuit through T1.

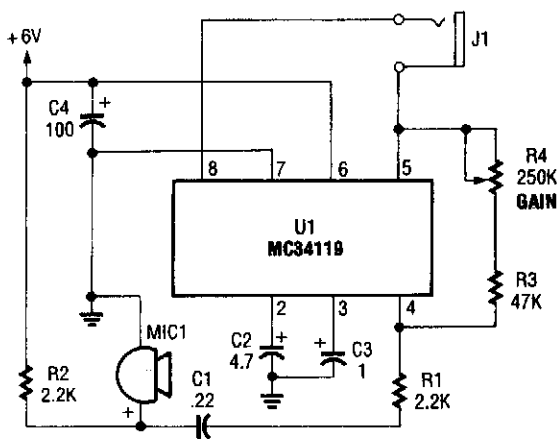
**Receiver operation.** Power for the receiver, as with the transmitter, is derived from a traditional half-wave rectifier (D5). The resulting dc voltage is regulated to 27 V by D6 and R20, and is then filtered by C11 to provide a relatively clean, dc power source for the circuit. A light-emitting diode, LED2, connected in series with R20 provides a visual indication that the circuit is powered and ready to receive a signal.

The 125-kHz signal is plucked from the ac line and coupled through R21 and C12 to a parallel-tuned LC circuit, consisting of C13 and L1. That LC circuit passes 125-kHz signals while attenuating all others. The 125-kHz signal is fed through C14 to the base of Q2 (which is configured as a high-gain linear amplifier), which boosts the relatively low amplitude of the 125-kHz signal. The RF output of Q2 is ac coupled to the base of Q3 through C15. Transistor Q3 acts as both an amplifier and detector. Because there is no bias voltage applied to the base of Q3, it remains cut off until driven by the amplified 125-kHz signal. When Q3 is forward biased, its collector voltage rises.

Capacitor C16, connected across Q3's collector resistor, filters the 125-kHz signal so that it is essentially dc. When the voltage at the collector of Q3 rises, Q4 is driven into conduction. That causes current to flow into piezo buzzer BZ1, producing a distinctive audio tone that alerts anyone within earshot that the baby needs attention.

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## BIRD FEEDER MONITOR



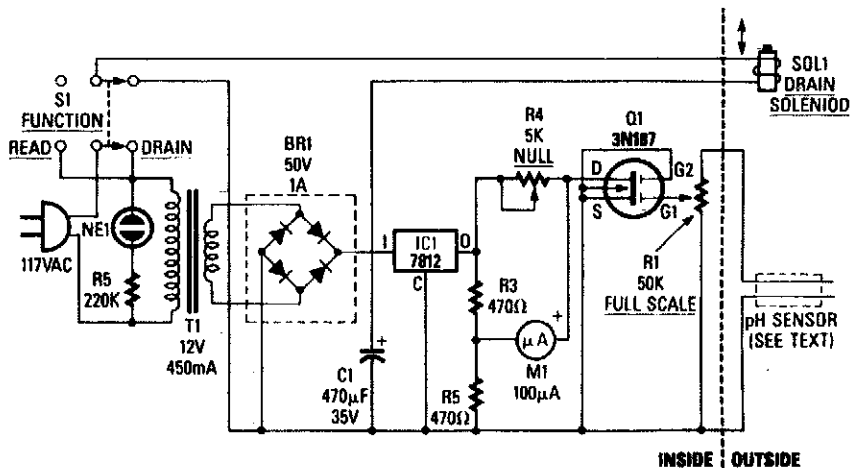
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FIG. 60-3

The first amplifier circuit is a bird phone. In this circuit, the electret mike (MIC1) is mounted in the neck of a large plastic funnel. The amplifier, built around an MC34119 (which is available from D.C. Electronics, P.O. Box 3203, Scottsdale, AZ 85271-3203; Tel. 800-467-7736, and elsewhere), is then placed outside of the funnel with the pick-up facing a nearby bird feeder. The output of the amplifier is then connected to a 16- $\Omega$  speaker.

The amplifier's voltage gain is determined by the values of the input resistor (R1) and the feed-back resistor (R3 and R4, respectively). The differential gain of the amplifier is given by:  $R_3 + R_4/R_1 \times 2$ . With the component values shown, the maximum voltage gain is about 270. This permits listening to the activity at the bird feeder.

## ACID-RAIN MONITOR



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FIG. 60-4

The drain-to-source resistance of Q1 varies depending on the acidity of the sample presented to Q1's gate circuit. That variable resistance varies the current flowing through the bridge; that current is proportional to pH.

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## Moisture- and Fluid-Detector Circuits

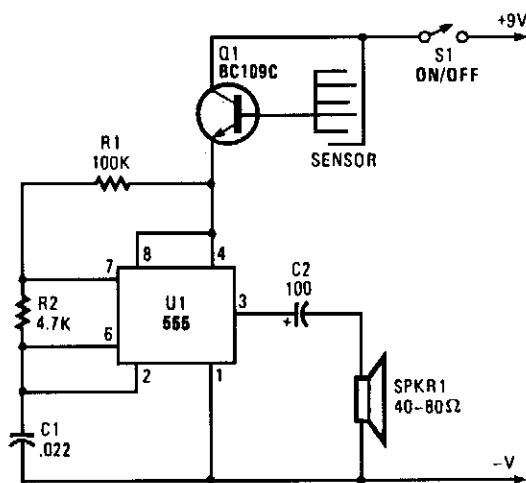
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Water-Activated Alarm  
Simple Flood Alarm  
Moisture Detector

## WATER-ACTIVATED ALARM

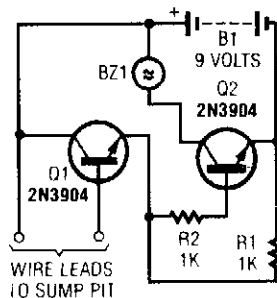


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FIG. 61-1

When sensor gets wet, it conducts, forward-biases Q1, and activates audio oscillator U1. A tone is heard from the speaker.

## SIMPLE FLOOD ALARM

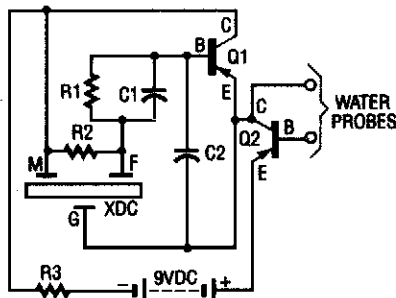


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FIG. 61-2

A common collector amplifier drives a 2N3904 switch to sound alarm BZ1. The wire leads to water sensor or sump pit, level switch, etc. and used to allow the alarm to operate and be mounted in a dry place.

## MOISTURE DETECTOR



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FIG. 61-3

The moisture detector uses two transistors and a piezoelectric transducer to sound an alarm tone when water is present. Transistor Q1 forms a crystal-controlled oscillator, using a portion of piezoelectric transducer XDC—which contains two piezoelectric crystal regions—as the crystal. The transducer has three separate leads. One lead goes to each of the crystals, and the third lead is common to both.

The smaller internal crystal region sets the frequency of operation and the larger element is driven by Q1 (when it is biased “on”) to provide the loud tone output. To turn the pnp transistor Q1 (used as an oscillator) “on” pnp transistor Q2 (used here as a switch) must be on. To turn it “on” with the biasing that is normally connected, you would only need to connect a resistor from the collector of Q2 to the base, which gives the base a negative (–) bias. The resistor used is the water that is to be detected. That turns Q2 on, which, in turn, turns on Q1. The result when water touches the probe is that the transducer emits a loud sound.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| C1, C2 | 0.1- $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor |
| Q1, Q2 | 2N3906 Transistor            |
| R1     | 6.8-k $\Omega$ Resistor      |
| R2     | 33-k $\Omega$ Resistor       |
| R3     | 200- $\Omega$ Resistor       |
| XDC    | Piezoelectric Transducer     |

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## Motion Detector Circuit

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Microwave Motion Detector





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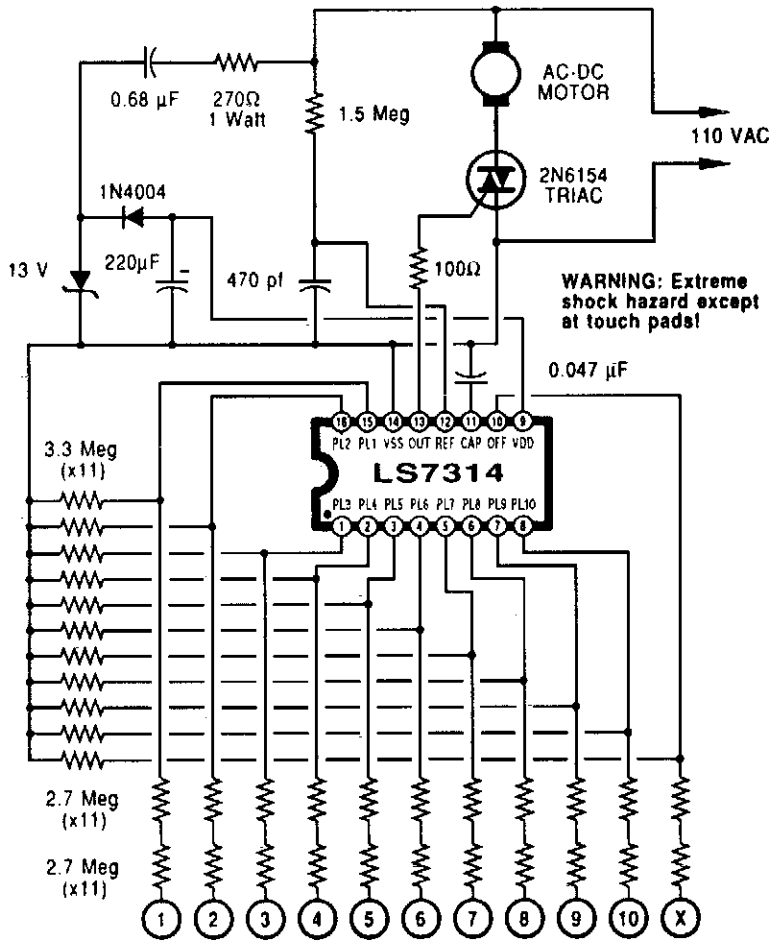
## Motor-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Blender-Control Circuit
- PWM Motor-Drive Circuit
- Speed-Control Switch Circuit
- Piezo Motor Drive
- Pulse-Width-Modulated Motor-Speed Control
- Speed-Control Switch

## BLENDER-CONTROL CIRCUIT



A 10-speed touch-control blender circuit that uses the low-cost LS314 chip by LSI Systems. The 11th touch pad is for power off.

## PWM MOTOR-DRIVE CIRCUIT

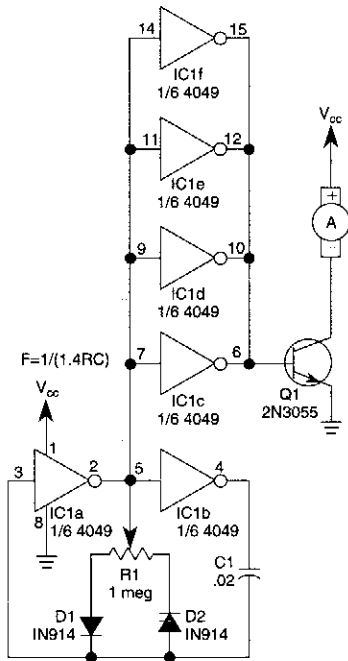
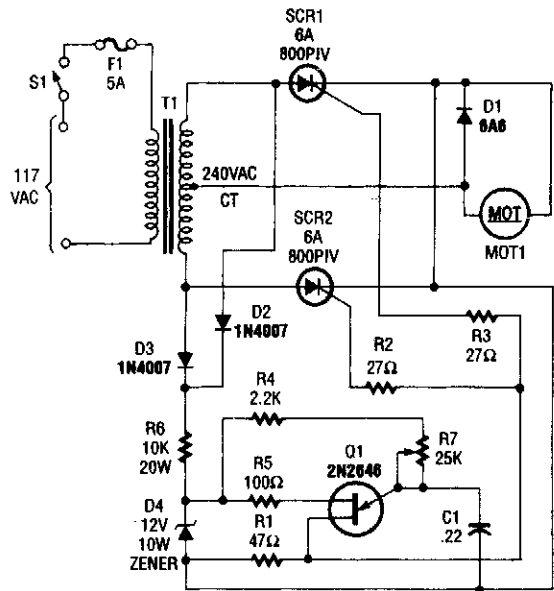


FIG. 63-2

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

This circuit will drive a small dc motor over a wide range of speeds without stalling by controlling the duty cycle of the motor, rather than the supply voltage.

## SPEED-CONTROL SWITCH CIRCUIT

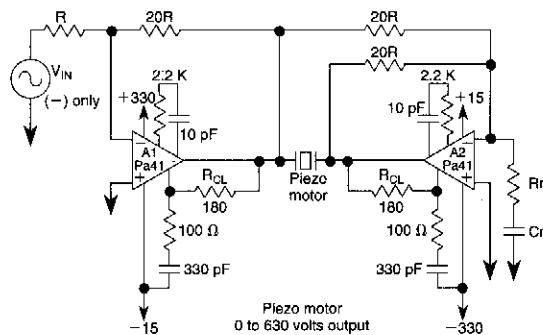


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FIG. 63-3

A center-tapped 240-V transformer is used with two SCR devices to provide rectified ac (pulsating dc) to MOT1. Q1 is a UJT ramp generator used to generate trigger pulses for SCR1 and SCR2.

## PIEZO MOTOR DRIVE



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FIG. 63-4

Using two Apex Microtechnology PA41 devices in a bridge circuit, this piezo motor driver delivers 0- to 630-V output.



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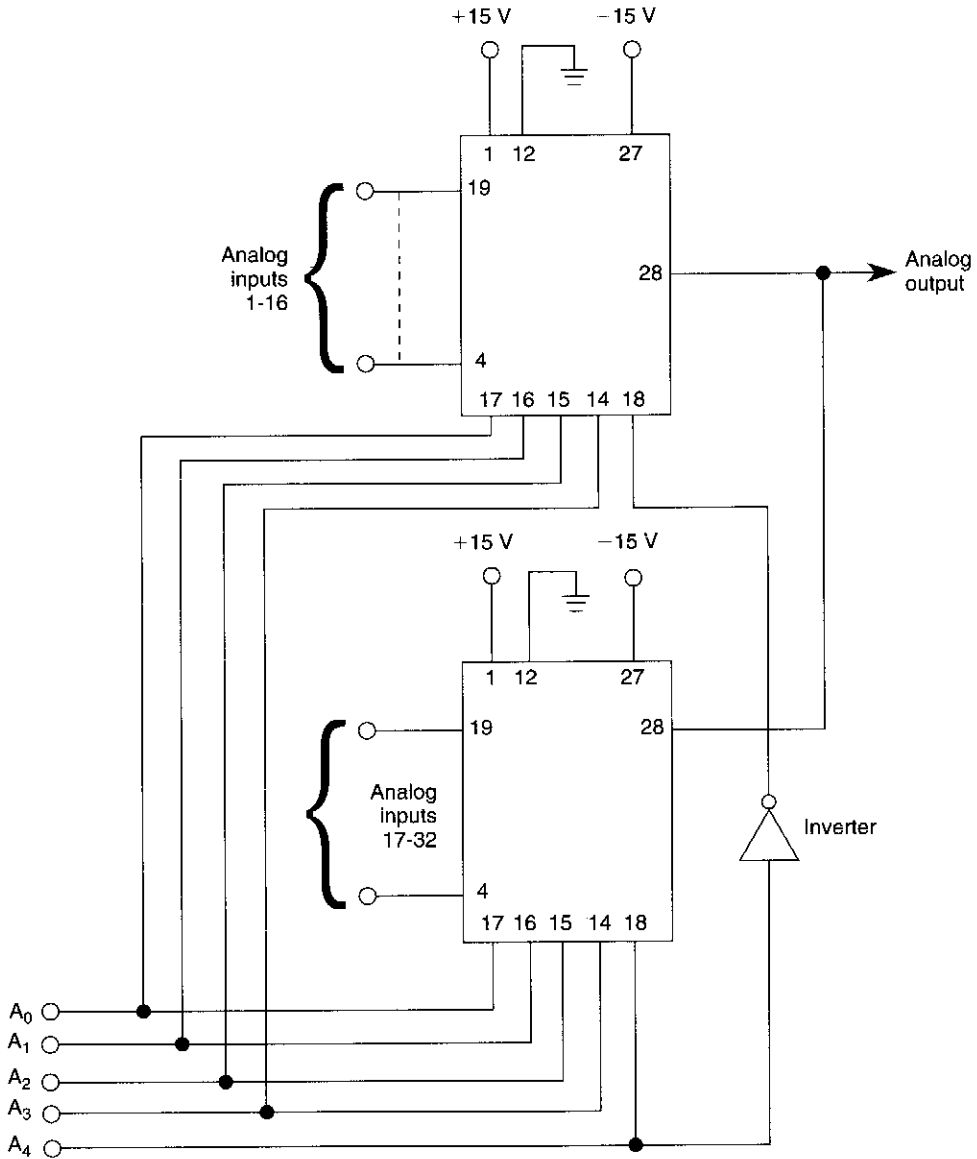
## Multiplexer Circuit

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32-Channel Analog Multiplexer

## 32-CHANNEL ANALOG MULTIPLEXER



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FIG. 64-1

Using two Siliconix DG506 multiplexer chips, this 32-channel analog multiplexer selects 1 of 32 channels, depending on the data inputs  $A_0 - A_4$ .

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## Multivibrator Circuits

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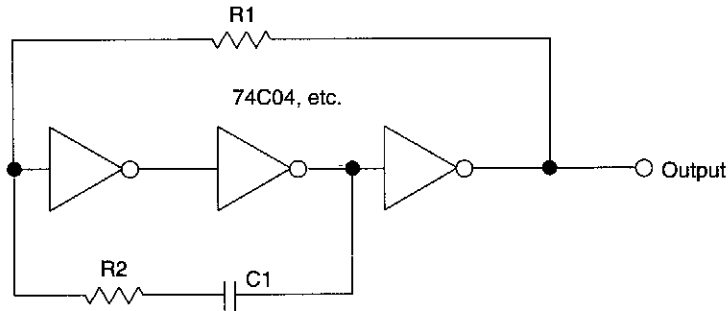
Improved CMOS Multivibrator  
Very Low Frequency Multivibrator  
Monostable Multivibrator I  
Astable Multivibrator or Free-Running  
Square-Wave Oscillator  
Astable Multivibrator I

Monostable Multivibrator II  
Astable Multivibrator II  
One-Shot Multivibrator  
Flip-Flop or Bistable Multivibrator  
with Pushbutton Triggering  
Free-Running Multivibrator Using Op Amp



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## IMPROVED CMOS MULTIVIBRATOR



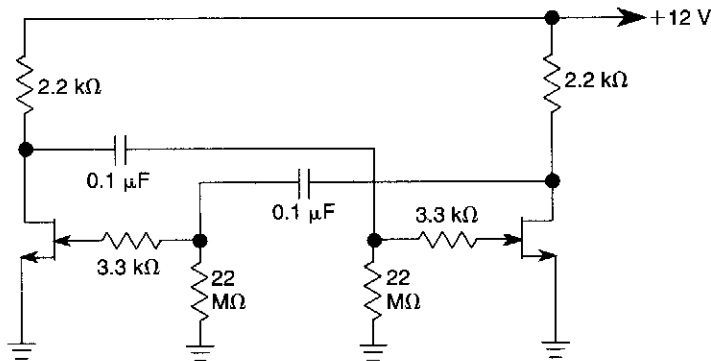
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FIG. 65-1

This circuit uses a protective resistor  $R2$  in conjunction with feedback resistor  $R1$ . Together, they form a voltage divider to reduce the input voltage amplitude for IC1-a so that the protective diodes never conduct. This improves temperature and voltage stability of the multivibrator.

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## VERY LOW FREQUENCY MULTIVIBRATOR



JFETs Transistor: N-channel (MPF102, etc.)

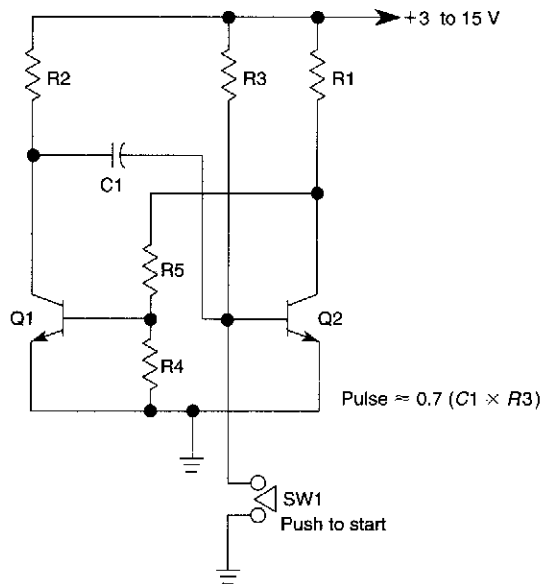
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FIG. 65-2

The use of JFETs permits, high resistance and long time constants in this very low frequency multivibrator. The values shown are for 0.15 Hz operation.

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### MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR I

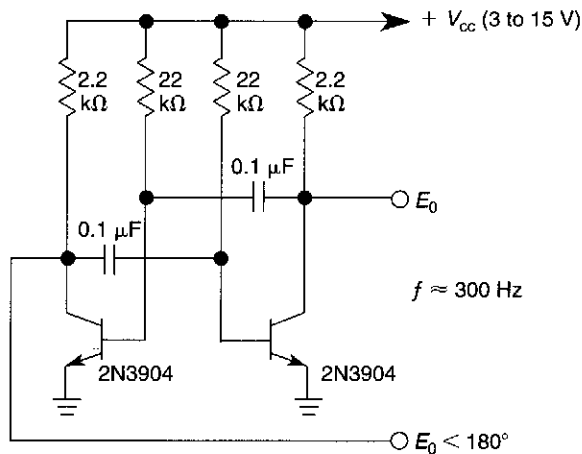


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FIG. 65-3

This circuit is activated when SW1 is pushed to ground the base of transistor Q2. The pulse rate is approximately equal to  $0.7(R3 \times C1)$ .

### ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR OR FREE-RUNNING SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

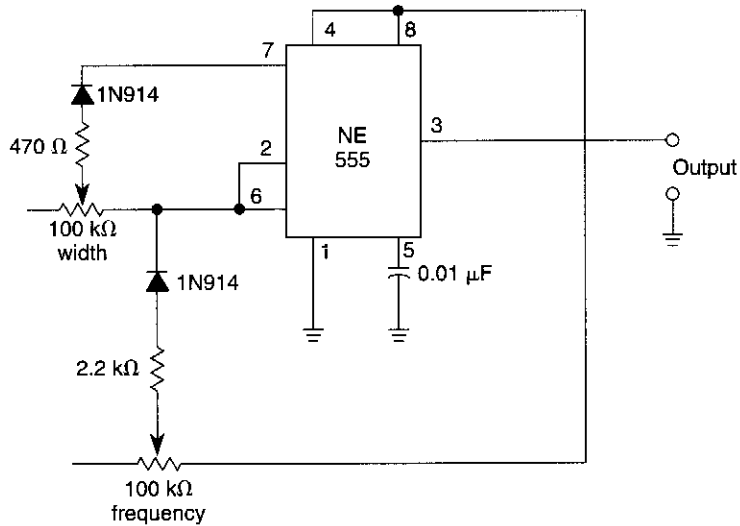


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FIG. 65-4

This free-running square-wave oscillator uses two npn transistors. Output frequency is approximately 300 Hz with the values shown.

## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR I

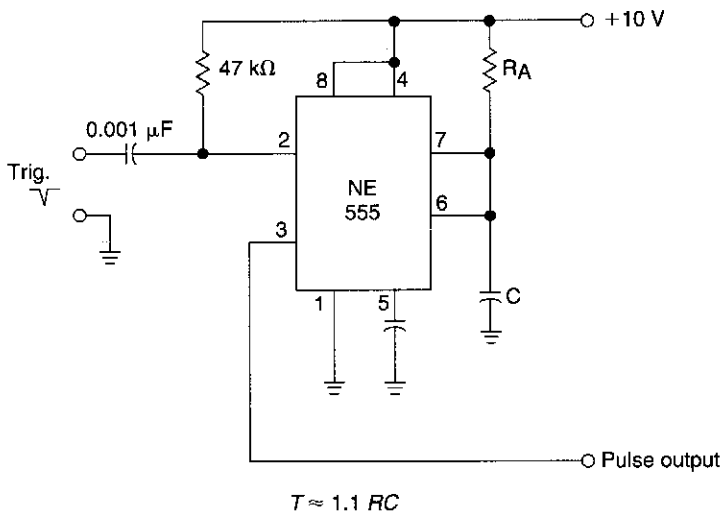


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FIG. 65-5

In this multivibrator circuit frequency and pulse width can be separately controlled by using steering diodes (1N914) and two potentiometers.

## MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR II

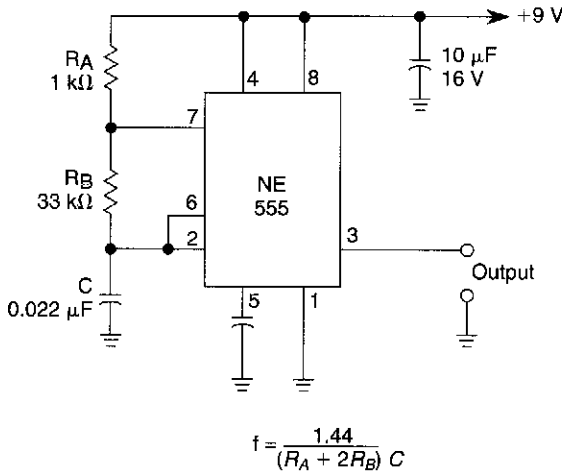


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FIG. 65-6

The time constant of  $R_A C$  determines the period of the monostable multivibrator. A negative pulse at pin 2 of the 555 starts the cycle.

### ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR II

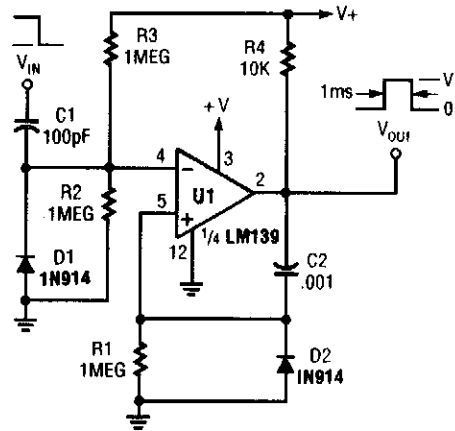


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FIG. 65-7

An astable multivibrator based on the 555 is shown. Freq is approximately 975 Hz as determined by the values of  $R_B$  and  $C$ .

### ONE-SHOT MULTIVIBRATOR

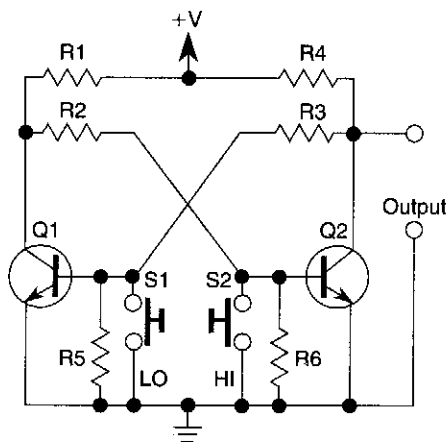


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FIG. 65-8

A section of a quad LM139 is used here as a one-shot pulse former.

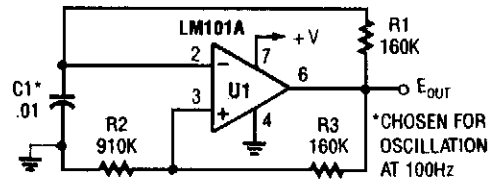
### FLIP-FLOP OR BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR WITH PUSHBUTTON TRIGGERING



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FIG. 65-9

### FREE-RUNNING MULTIVIBRATOR USING OP AMP



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FIG. 65-10

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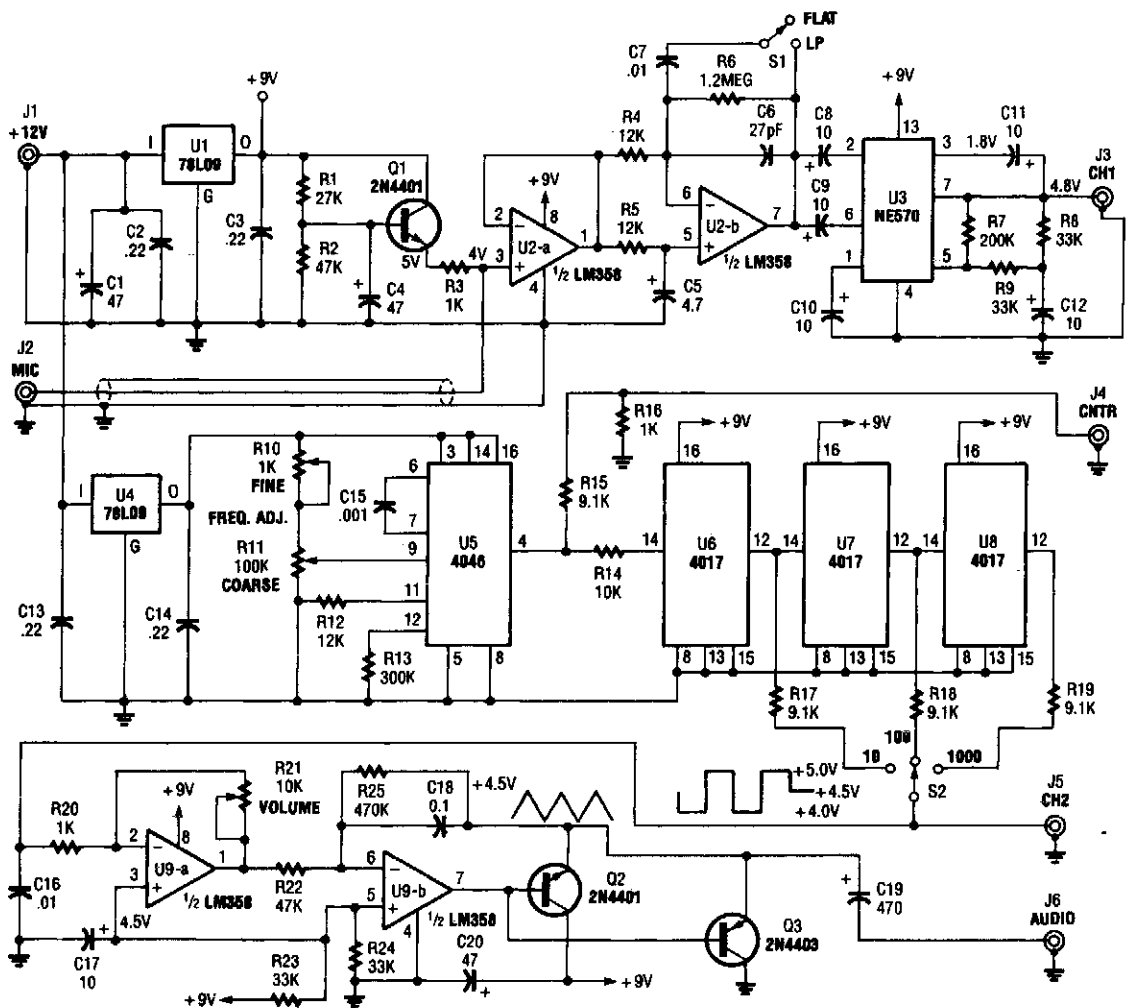
## Musical Circuits

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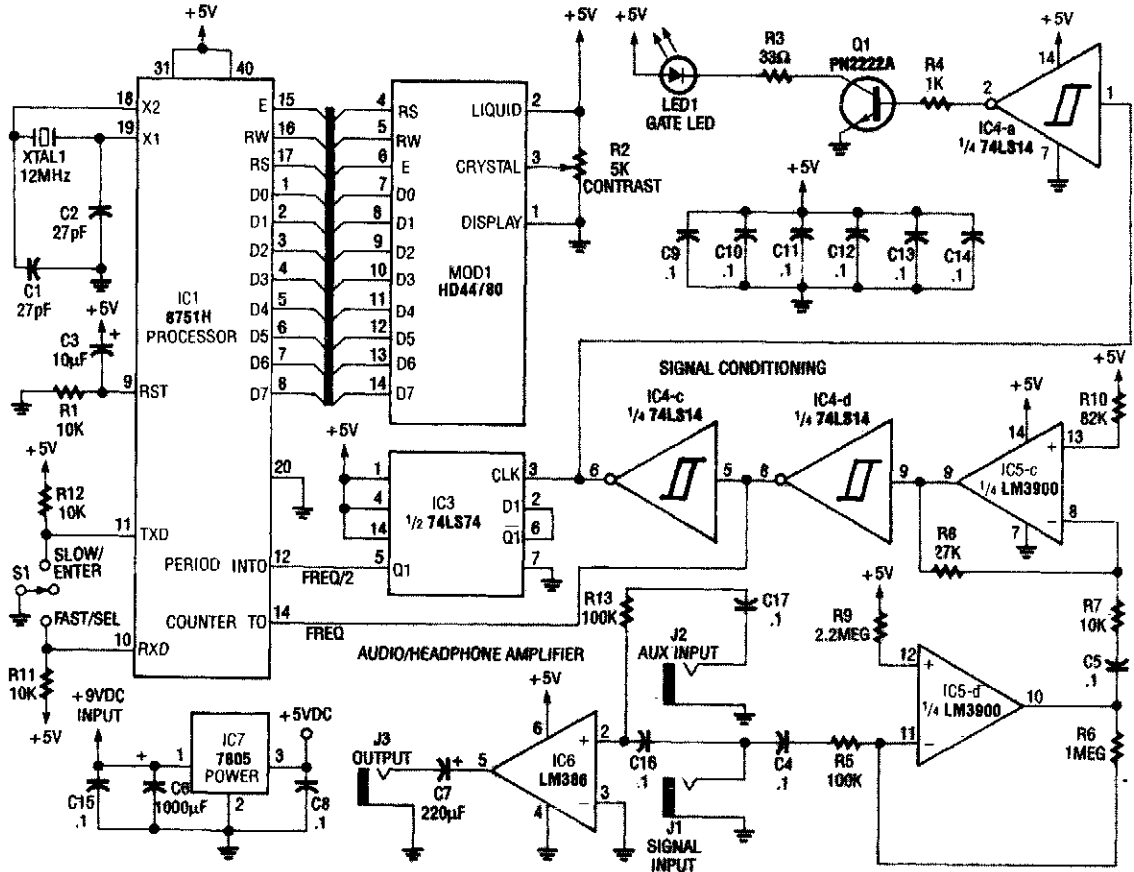
Precision Audio Generator for Musical Instrument Tune-Up  
Perfect Pitch  
Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) Receiver  
Electronic Metronome  
Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) Transmitter  
Melody Circuit  
Top Octave Generator

## PRECISION AUDIO GENERATOR FOR MUSICAL INSTRUMENT TUNE-UP



One section of the precision audio frequency generator uses an electret microphone element to pick up audio from the piano. That signal is then processed and sent to one channel of a dual-trace oscilloscope. The other section of the circuit is used to produce a variable-frequency signal that is fed to a digital frequency counter. After conditioning, the audio signal is presented to the second channel of the scope and output to a set of stereo headphones.

## PERFECT PITCH

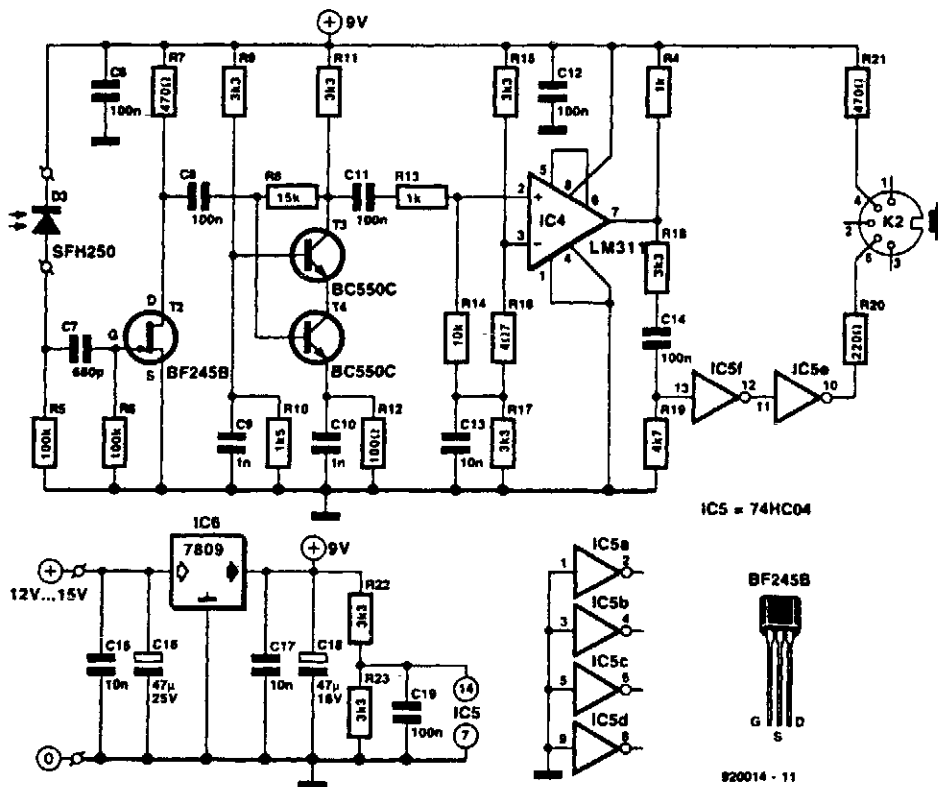


ELECTRONICS NOW

FIG. 66-2

Perfect pitch, which is based on the 8751 H microprocessor, is an inexpensive and easy-to-build instrument tuner/frequency counter with a built-in headphone amplifier and a visual metronome. Perfect pitch converts the audio signal from your instrument to a digital signal, and displays the musical note you are playing and its frequency in real time on a 16-character liquid-crystal display. It also has an auxiliary audio input for radio, tape, or CD players so that you can tune up and play along with your favorite artists.

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT DIGITAL INTERFACE (MIDI) RECEIVER

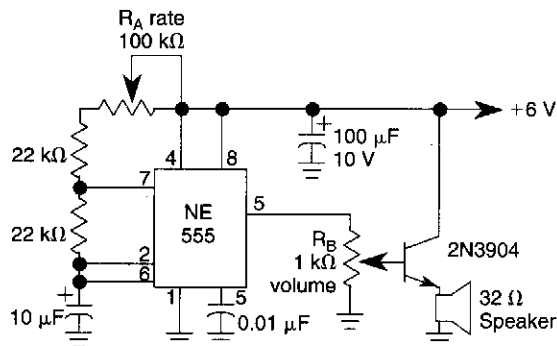


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 66-3

Receiver photodiode SFH250 is used to convert optical data pulses at 32.5 Kb to electrical signals. Buffer T2 feeds the signals to cascade amplifier T3-T4, then to op amp IC4, and buffers IC5-f and IC5-e. IC6 supplies 9 V for the circuit.

## ELECTRONIC METRONOME



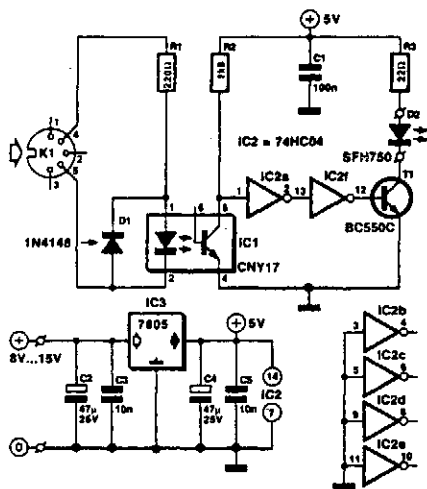
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FIG. 66-4

$R_A$  sets the rate while  $R_B$  sets the volume of clocks in the speaker. The 555 is configured as a low frequency oscillator. The circuit is powered by a 6 V battery.



## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT DIGITAL INTERFACE (MIDI) TRANSMITTER

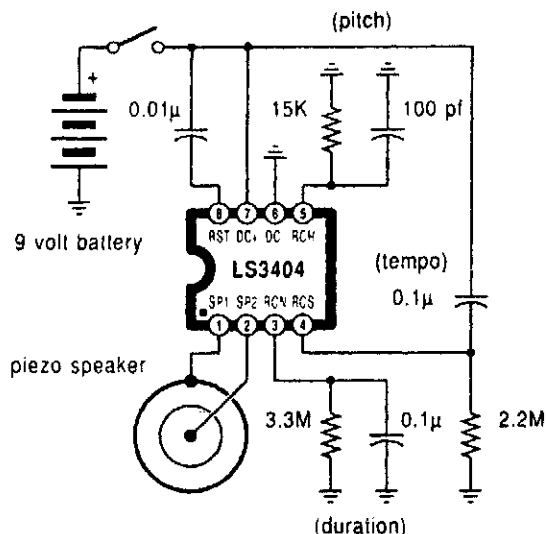


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 66-5

Used for digital control of musical instruments, this transmitter converts the digital data signals to equivalent optical signals for fiberoptic cable interface. Optocoupler IC1 provides isolation, and drives IC2-a and -b and T1, and finally provides a cable driver LED (SFH750).

## MELODY CIRCUIT



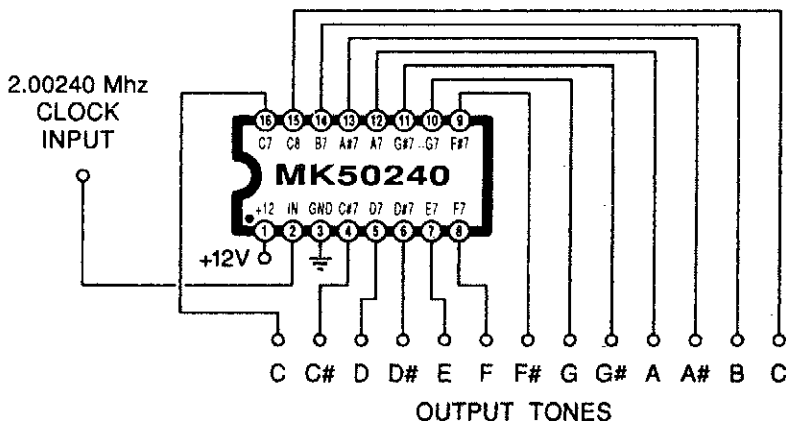
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 66-6

A high-quality melody circuit. The slow decay waveform produced will create chime-like notes. Pitch, tempo, and duration are all adjustable.

## TOP OCTAVE GENERATOR

Inputs and outputs are 12 volt square waves



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 66-7

Using an MK50240, this circuit produces 12 top octave tones. The input and output lines can be divided using a binary divider IC to obtain the lower notes.

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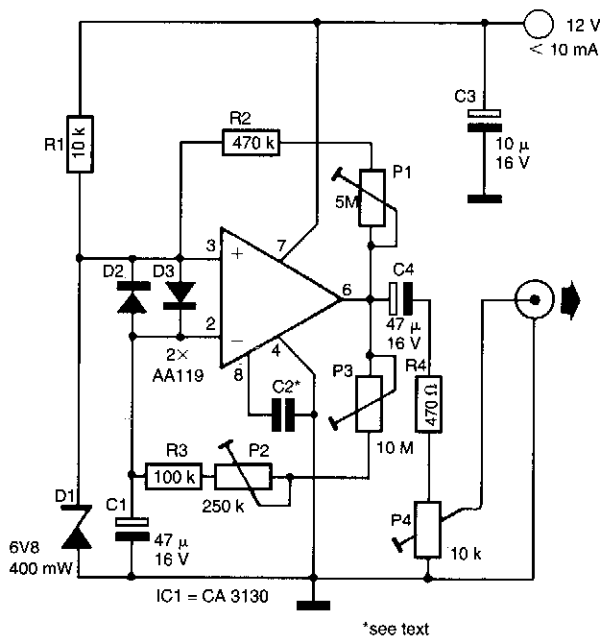
## Noise-Generator Circuits

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Noise Generator

## NOISE GENERATOR



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FIG. 67-1

This circuit generates noise pulses that are suitable for test purposes, etc. A zener diode is used as a noise source. IC1 is a relaxation oscillator. P1 determines noise bandwidth, and P2 and P3 the noise amplification. Current consumption is 10 mA @ 12 Vdc.

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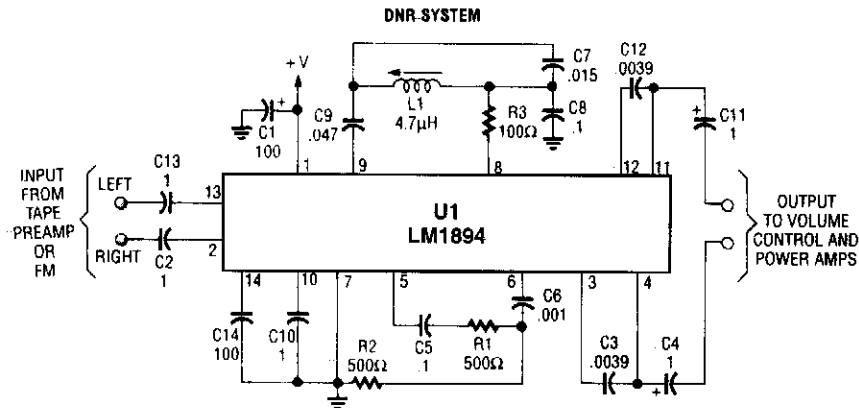
## Noise-Limiting Circuits

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Audio Dynamic Noise-Reduction System  
Amplified Noise Limiter for SW Receivers  
Receiver AF Noise Limiter for Low-Level Signals  
Simple Noise Limiter for Receivers

## AUDIO DYNAMIC NOISE-REDUCTION SYSTEM

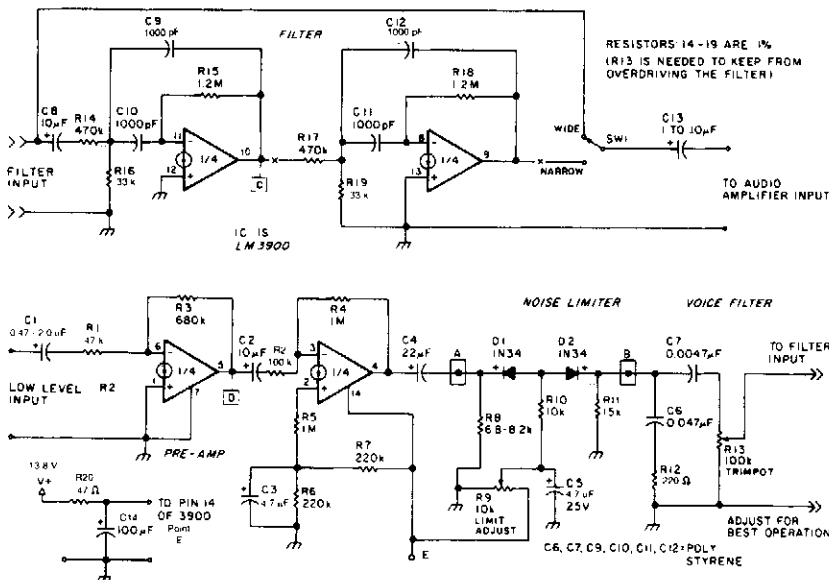


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FIG. 68-1

U1 is a dedicated IC (National Semiconductor) that achieves up to 10 dB noise reduction by an adaptive bandwidth scheme and a psycho acoustic masking technique.

## AMPLIFIED NOISE LIMITER FOR SW RECEIVERS

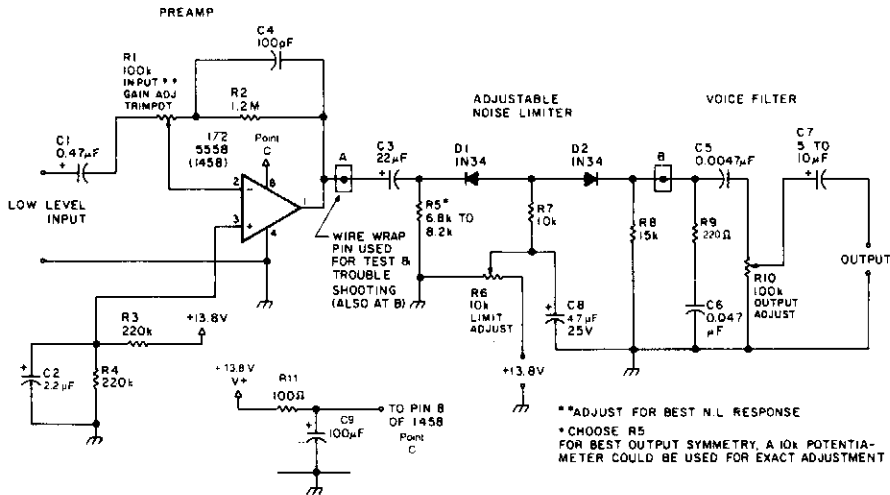


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FIG. 68-2

The noise limiter circuit has a preamplifier clipper, and a switchable audio bandpass filter. Audio levels in the 5- to 50-mV range are amplified in a preamp to several volts p-p, fed to a clipper, voice band filter, then to a narrow band active filter which can be switched in and out of the circuit.

## RECEIVER AF NOISE LIMITER FOR LOW-LEVEL SIGNALS

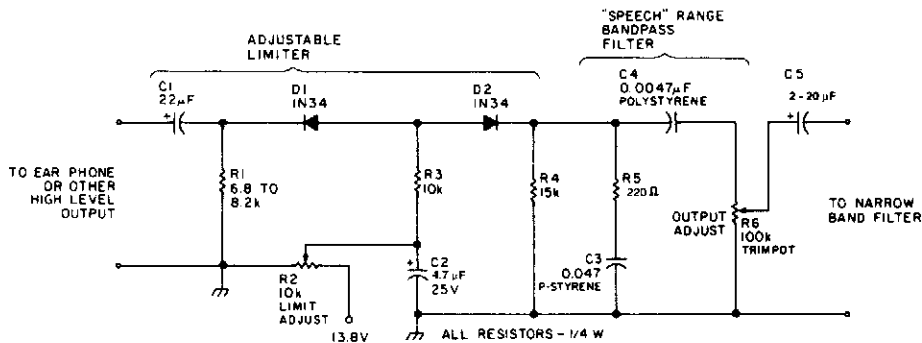


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FIG. 68-3

A preamplifier in the audio frequency range amplifies a noisy audio signal to drive a diode clipper. Suitable audio input levels would be in the 10-mV to 1-V range.

## SIMPLE NOISE LIMITER FOR RECEIVERS



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FIG. 68-4

This circuit uses a diode series clipper to limit noise peaks on a received signal. It is best used where several volts p-p of audio signal are available.

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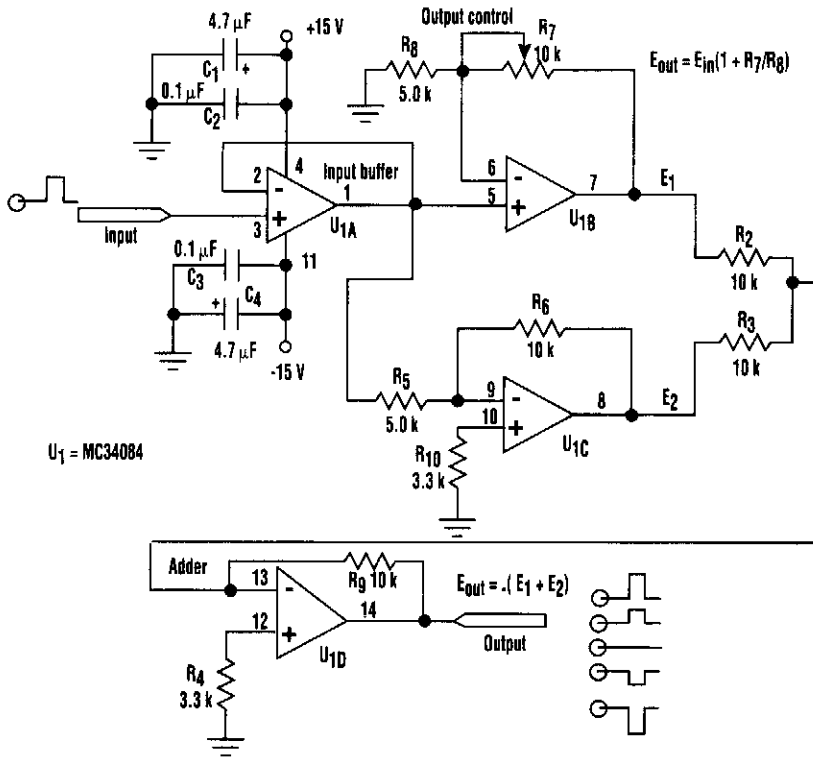
## Operational-Amplifier Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Polarity Gain Adjustment  
Fast Composite Amplifier  
Non-Linear Operational Amplifier with  
Temperature-Compensated Breakpoints  
Power Op Amp  
Variable Gain Op-Amp Circuit  
Low Noise and Drift Composite Amp  
High-GBW Op Amp  
Single Op-Amp Full-Wave Rectifier

## POLARITY GAIN ADJUSTMENT



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 69-1

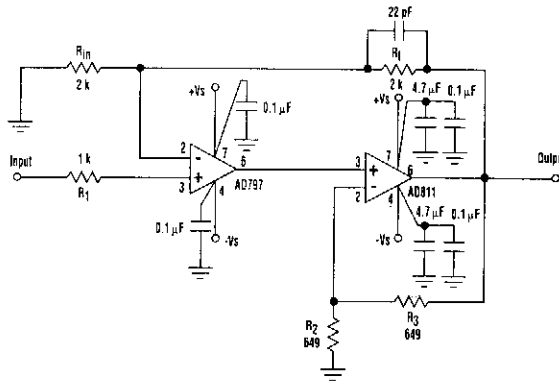
By adjusting one potentiometer, this circuit's output can be varied from a positive-going version of the input signal, smoothly through zero output, then to a negative-going version of the input (see the figure). If the input signal is a positive pulse of, for example, +2-V peak, the output pulse amplitude can be smoothly varied from +2-V through ground (no output) to a -2-V peak.

Taking a closer look at the setup, assume that the signal has a +2-V peak input. The A section of the quad op amp is an input buffer, op amp C provides a fixed negative-going output of -4-V peak, and op amp B supplies a positive-going output that varies from +2-V to +6-V peak. The D section adds the B and C outputs. Thus, by varying the B output, the circuit output varies smoothly from -2-V to +2-V peak.

The circuit can, of course, also be used as a 0°/180° phase switcher. For instance, with a ground-centered sine-wave input of 4V p-p, the output varies from 4-V p-p in phase with the input, smoothly through 0 V, to 4V p-p 180° out of phase with the input.



## FAST COMPOSITE AMPLIFIER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

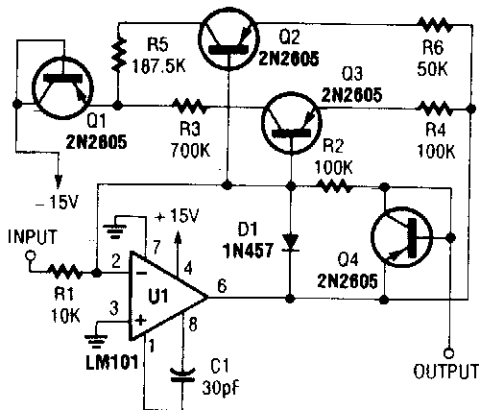
FIG. 69-2

An ultra-low-noise, low-distortion op amp—the AD797—is combined with the AD811 op amp, which offers a high bandwidth and a 100-mA output drive capability. The composite-amplifier circuit serves quite well when driving high resolution ADC's and ATE systems.

The fast AD811 operates at twice the gain of the AD797 so that the slower amplifier need only slew one-half of the total output swing. Using the component values shown, the circuit is capable of better than -90 dB THD with a  $\pm 5$ -V, 500-kHz output signal. If a 100-kHz sine-wave input is used, the circuit will drive a 600- $\Omega$  load to a level of 7 V rms with less than -109 dB THD, as well as a 10-k $\Omega$  load at less than -117 dB THD.

The device can be modified to supply an overall gain of 5 by changing both the  $R_f/R_{in}$  ratio and  $R_3/R_2$  ratio to 4:1. This raises the gains of AD811 and the total circuit while maintaining the AD797 at unity gain. If only the  $R_f/R_{in}$  ratio is changed, the circuit might become unstable. In contrast, if only the  $R_3/R_2$  ratio is varied, the AD797 will then operate at gain. Subsequently, the circuit will have a lower overall bandwidth.  $R_1$  should be equal to the parallel combination of  $R_{in}$  and  $R_f$ .

## NONLINEAR OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER WITH TEMPERATURE-COMPENSATED BREAKPOINTS

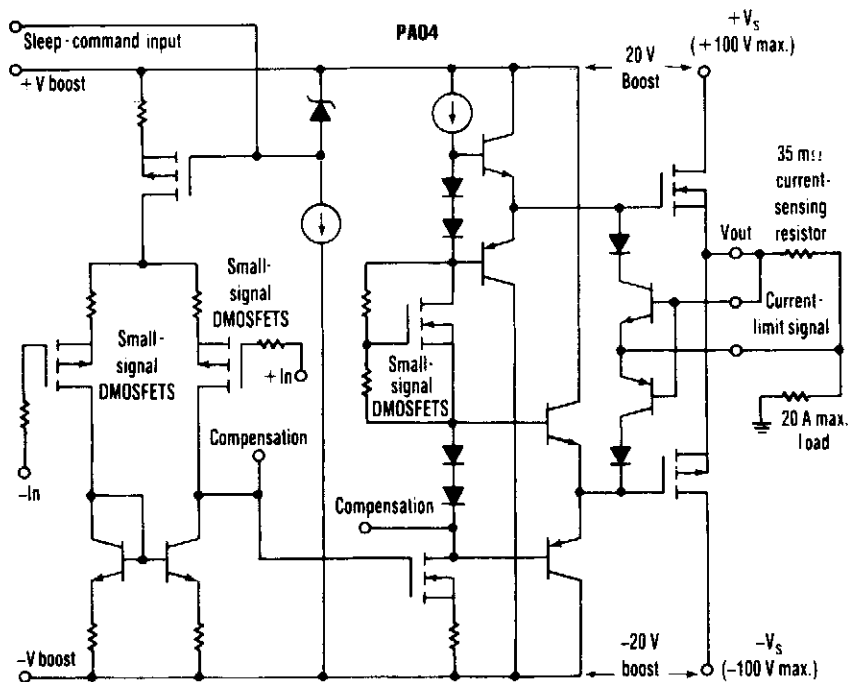


Using resistor and transistor feedback elements, this operational amplifier circuit can be used as a nonlinear amplifier. R4 and R6 can be varied to change breakpoints, as required.

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FIG. 69-3

## POWER OP AMP

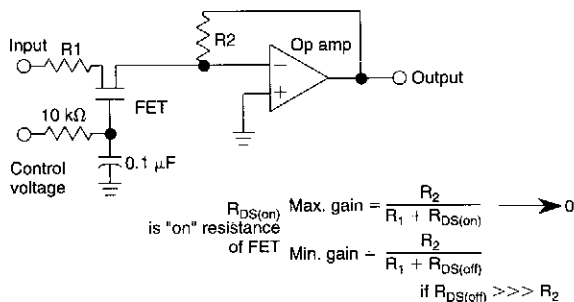


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FIG. 69-4

This circuit from Apex Microtechnology can deliver 180 V p-p @ 90 kHz into a 4-Ω load. The PA04 can deliver 400-W RMS into an 8-Ω load with low THD at frequencies beyond 20 kHz.

## VARIABLE GAIN OP-AMP CIRCUIT



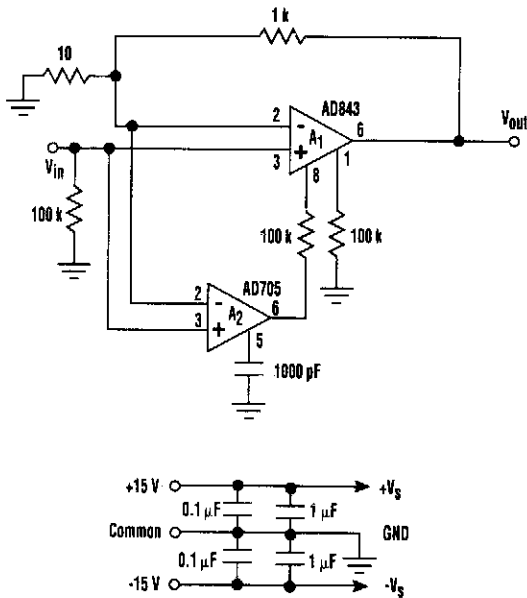
A JFET acts as a variable attenuator for this op amp. Maximum gain is:

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_{DS(ON)}}$$

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FIG. 69-5

## LOW NOISE AND DRIFT COMPOSITE AMP



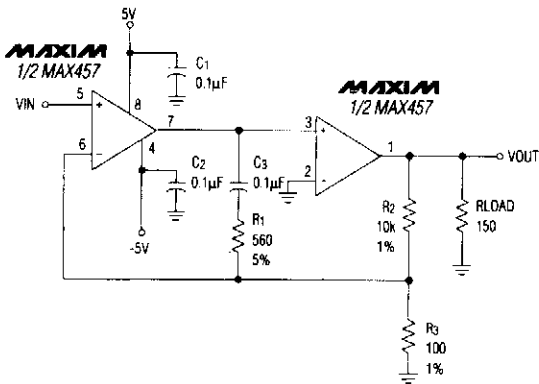
This circuit offers the best of both worlds. It can be combined with a low input offset voltage and drift without degrading the overall system's dynamic performance. Compared to a standalone FET input operational amplifier, the composite amplifier circuit exhibits a 20-fold improvement in voltage offset and drift.

In this circuit arrangement, A1 is a high-speed FET input op amp with a closed-loop gain of 100 (the source impedance was arbitrarily chosen to be 100 kΩ). A2 is a SuperBeta bipolar input op amp. It has good dc characteristics, biFET-level input bias current, and low noise. A2 monitors the voltage at the input of A1 and injects current to A1's null pins. This forces A1 to have the input properties of a bipolar amplifier while maintaining its bandwidth and low-input-bias-current noise.

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FIG. 69-6

## HIGH-GBW OP AMP

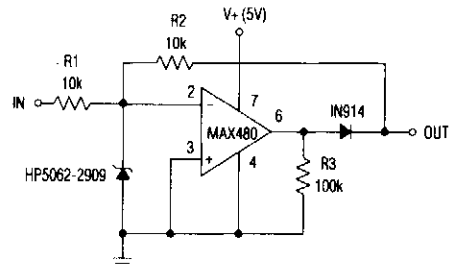


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FIG. 69-7

You can build a composite amplifier featuring high gain, wide bandwidth, and good dc accuracy by cascading the sections of a dual video amplifier and adding two appropriate phase-compensation components. The op amp drives a 150-Ω load and provides a closed-loop gain of 40 dB.

## SINGLE OP-AMP FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER



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FIG. 69-8

This circuit operates from +5 V and uses a single op amp to deliver a full-wave rectified output of the input signal.

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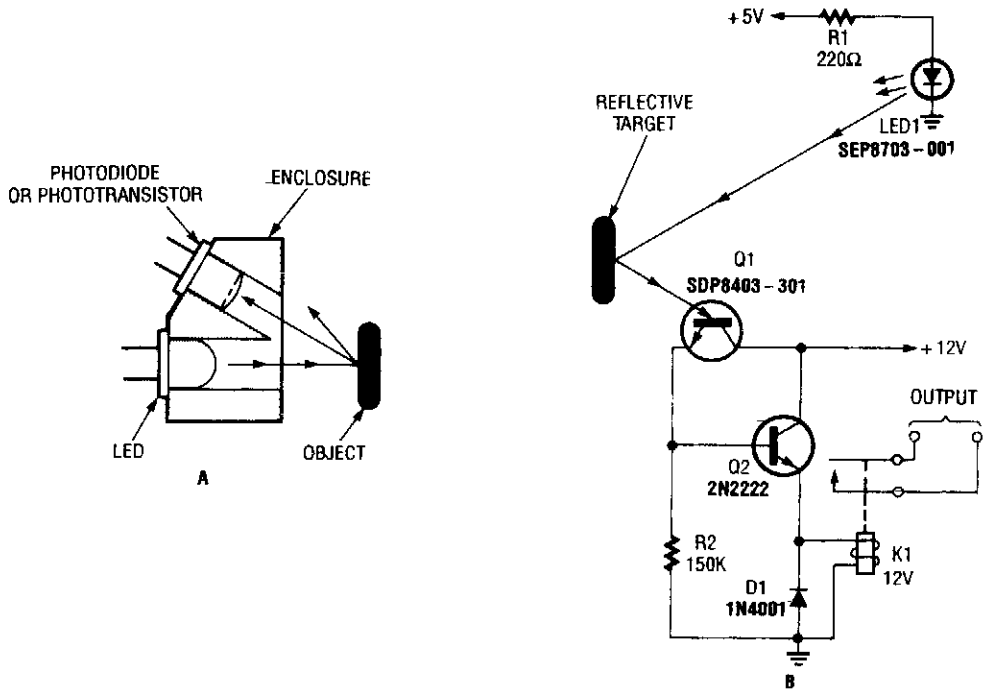
## Optical Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Optical Proximity Detector
- Photoreceiver Optimized for Noise and Response
- Optoisolator and Optocoupler Interface Circuits
- Optocoupler Circuits
- Optical Direction Discriminator
- Optical Safety Circuit Switches
- Simple Amplifier for Phototransistors
- Variable-Sensitivity Phototransistor Circuit

## OPTICAL PROXIMITY DETECTOR

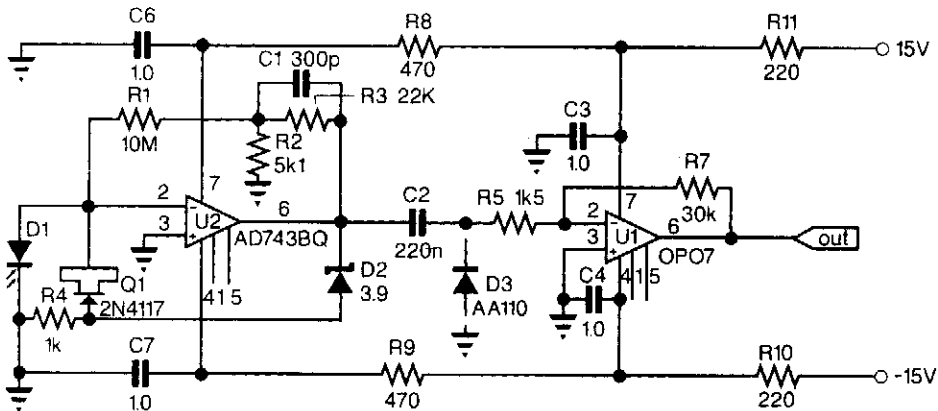


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FIG. 70-1

A “reflector” isolator (A) detects the presence of an object by bouncing light off of it. This technique is useful in circuits that detect when an object is close enough to the sensor (B).

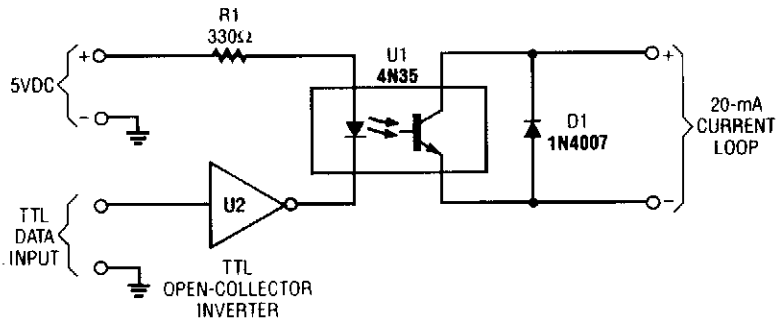
## PHOTORECEIVER OPTIMIZED FOR NOISE AND RESPONSE



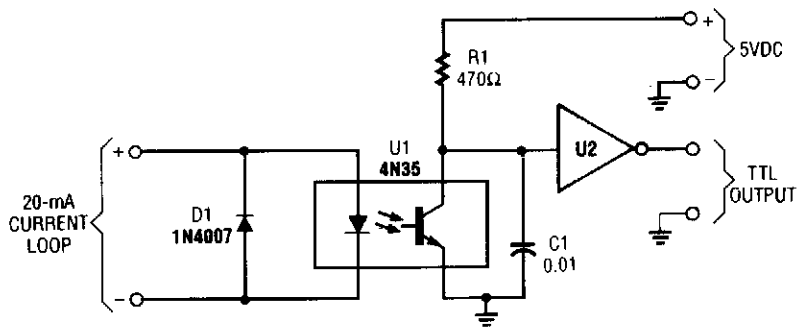
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FIG. 70-2

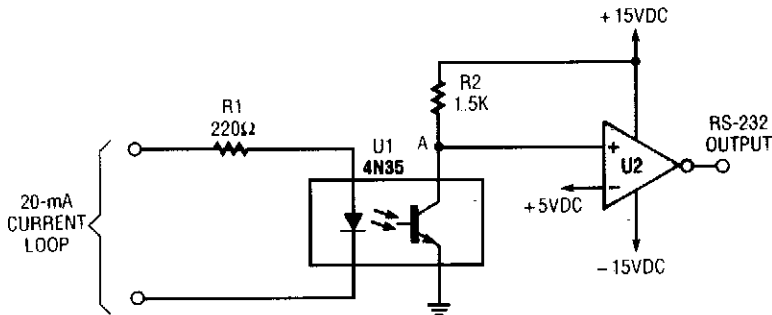
# OPTOISOLATOR AND OPTOCOUPLER INTERFACE CIRCUITS



**A**



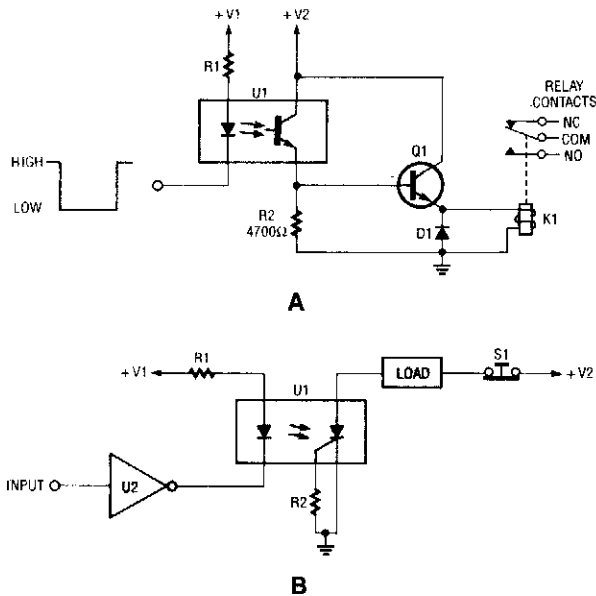
**B**



**C**

*Interfacing equipment, whether TTL, RS-232C, or 20-mA current-loop based, with optoisolators.*

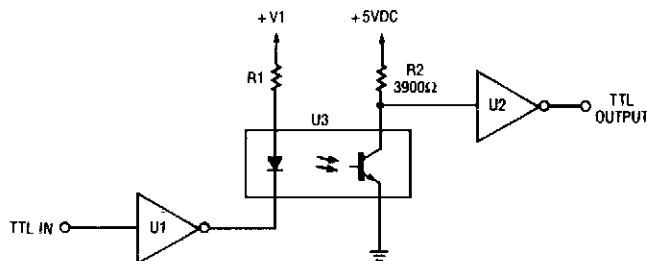
## OPTOISOLATOR AND OPTOCOUPLER INTERFACE CIRCUITS (Cont.)



*Very heavy loads, which can't be powered directly by an optoisolator, might require the use of a relay as shown in A. You can sometimes get away with using a circuit like that shown in B, but it won't turn itself off.*

A circuit for isolating a variable resistor is shown. An optoisolator that has an LED and a photoconductive cell (or photoresistor) is used. The current through the LED controls its brightness, which in turn determines the resistance between terminals A and B. The LED current is set by the voltage of the dc power supply and the value of the two resistors ( $R_1$  and  $R_2$ ). The fixed resistor ( $R_1$ ) is used to limit the current to a maximum of 20 mA (when the resistance of the potentiometer,  $R_2$ , is set to zero ohms), otherwise, the LED might burn out.

## OPTOCOUPLER CIRCUITS

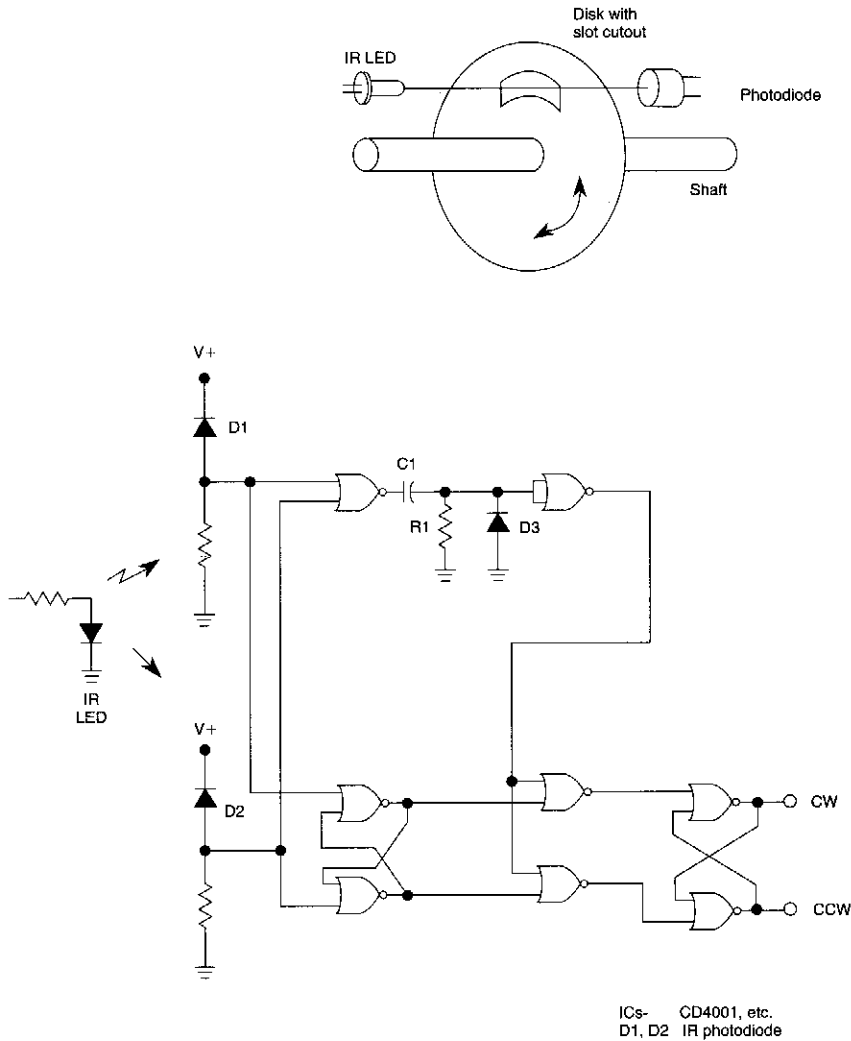


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FIG. 70-4

This circuit is a TTL-to-TTL isolator circuit. The driver circuit is an open-collector TTL inverter ( $U_1$ ). When the input is high, then the output of the inverter is low. Thus, when the input is high, the output of  $U_1$  grounds the cathode end of the LED and causes the LED to turn on.

## OPTICAL DIRECTION DISCRIMINATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

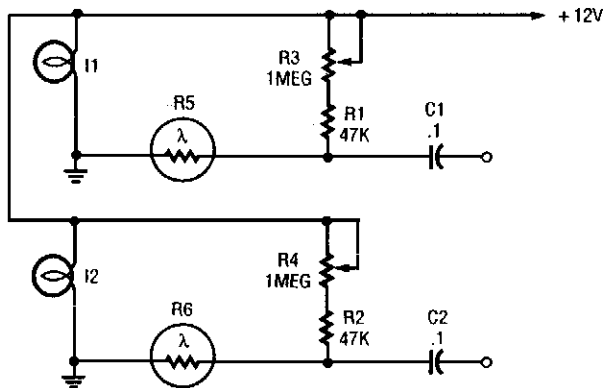
**FIG. 70-5**

The very simple circuit uses only two CD4001 packages, i.e., eight NOR gates and operates in the following way: Pulse streams are fed to an RS flip flop generating an output waveform which has a small or large duty cycle depending on the direction of rotation. The same input pulses are also fed to a NOR gate, which "adds" the two pulse trains.

The rising edges of this waveform are used to produce short positive pulses from the circuit consisting of R1, C1, D3, and a NOR gate used as an inverter. This is used to "sample" the outputs of the flip flop to detect the direction of rotation. The output, whose duty cycle is large, forces the sampling NOR gate to generate a pulse train which sets (or resets) the second RS flip-flop continuously giving a permanent indication of the direction of rotation.



## OPTICAL SAFETY CIRCUIT SWITCHES

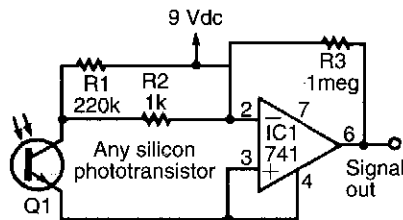


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FIG. 70-6

Use of two LDR devices replaces the two pushbuttons used in safety switches. The lamps provide light sources for the LDR devices.

## SIMPLE AMPLIFIER FOR PHOTOTRANSISTORS

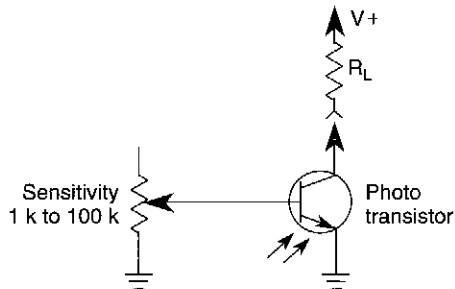


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FIG. 70-7

This simple amplifier will work well with just about any phototransistor. The 741, although designed to operate with a split supply, will work with a single-sided supply as well.

## VARIABLE-SENSITIVITY PHOTOTRANSISTOR CIRCUIT



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FIG. 70-8

A variable resistor is used to vary the light-level response of a phototransistor. Phototransistors are more light sensitive than photodiodes, but they generally have poorer frequency response.

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## Oscillator Circuits

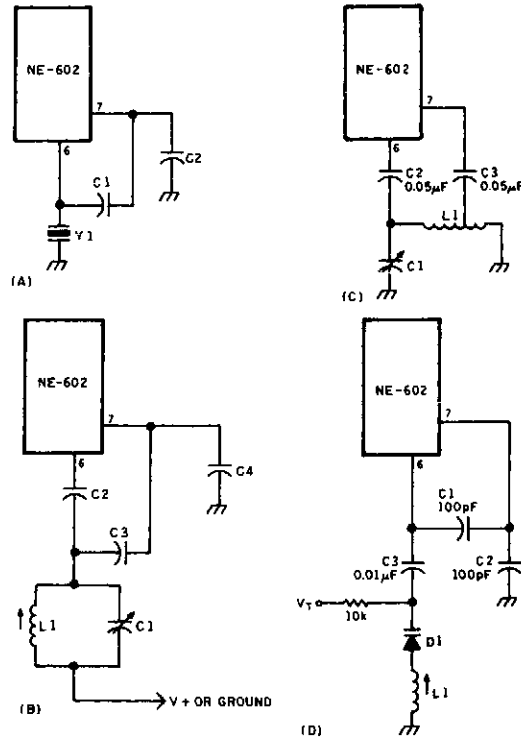
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NE602 Local Oscillator Circuits  
LC Audio Oscillator  
Colpitts Oscillator  
MOSFET Mixer-Oscillator Circuit for  
  AM Receivers  
Simple RF Test Oscillator  
AF Power Oscillator  
Gated 1-kHz Oscillator (Normally Off)  
Gated 1-kHz Oscillator (Normally On)  
Precision LF Oscillator  
Basic Oscillator Circuits  
Variable Wien-Bridge Oscillator

Local Oscillator for Double Balanced Mixers  
Precision Audio-Frequency Generator  
CMOS VFO  
Frequency Switcher  
Precision Gated Oscillator  
Wien-Bridge Audio Oscillator  
Variable Duty-Cycle Oscillator  
Adjustable VFO Temperature Compensator  
4093 CMOS Astable Oscillator  
Simple Audio Test Oscillator  
4093 CMOS VFO

## NE602 LOCAL OSCILLATOR CIRCUITS

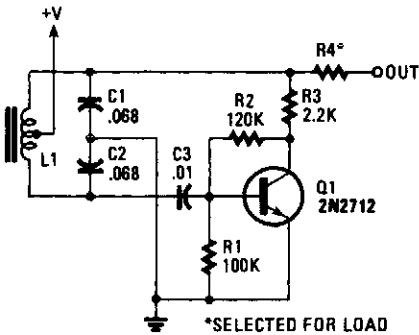


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FIG. 71-1

Local oscillator circuits for the NE602.

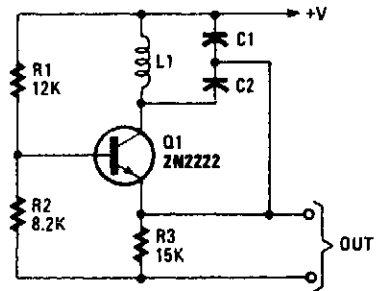
### LC AUDIO OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 71-2

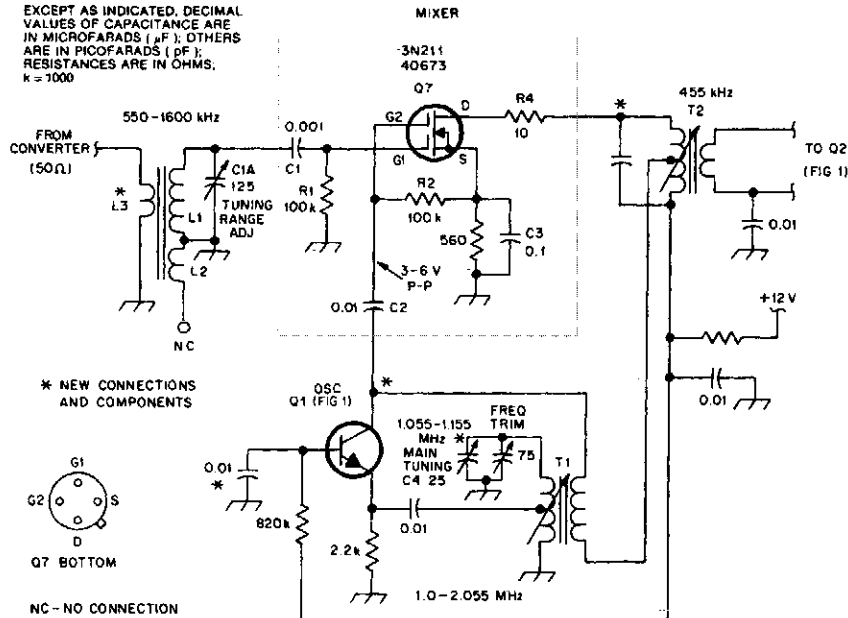
### COLPITTS OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 71-3

## MOSFET MIXER-OSCILLATOR CIRCUIT FOR AM RECEIVERS

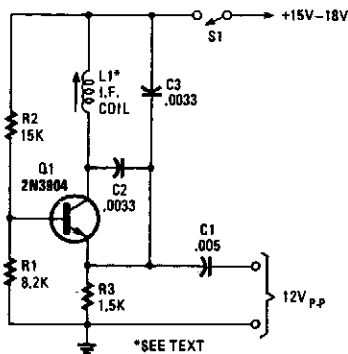


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FIG. 71-4

This circuit is an improved front end for upgrading a transistor AM receiver. This front end is useful when the radio is to be used as a tuneable IF amplifier with shortwave converters.

### SIMPLE RF TEST OSCILLATOR

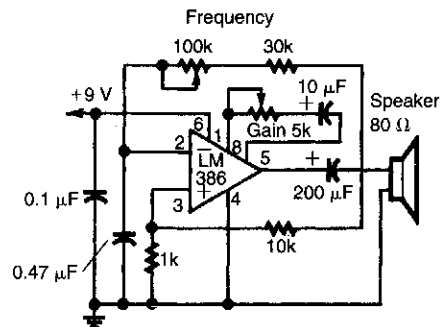


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FIG. 71-5

A simple oscillator for IF alignment (455 kHz) can prove useful in field testing or where a standard signal generator is available. L1 should resonate at the desired output frequency with the series combination of C2 and C3.

### AF POWER OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 71-6

An LM386 audio power IC is set up as a feedback oscillator. Any supply from 6 to 12 V can be used. The circuit can drive a loudspeaker.

### GATED 1-kHz OSCILLATOR (NORMALLY OFF)

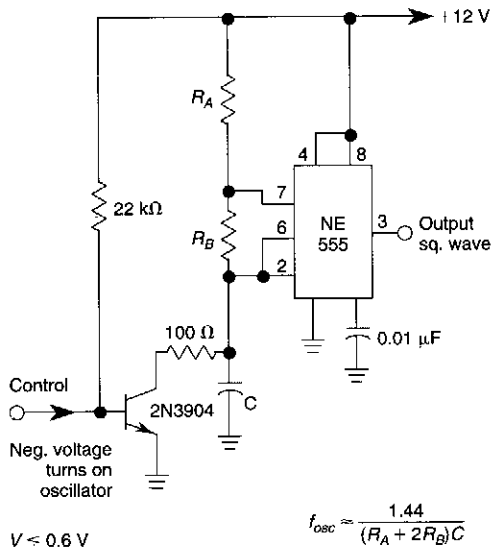


FIG. 71-7

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This gated 1-kHz oscillator offers “press-to-turn-on” operation, A, and waveforms at the output of pin 3 and across C1, B.

### GATED 1-kHz OSCILLATOR (NORMALLY ON)

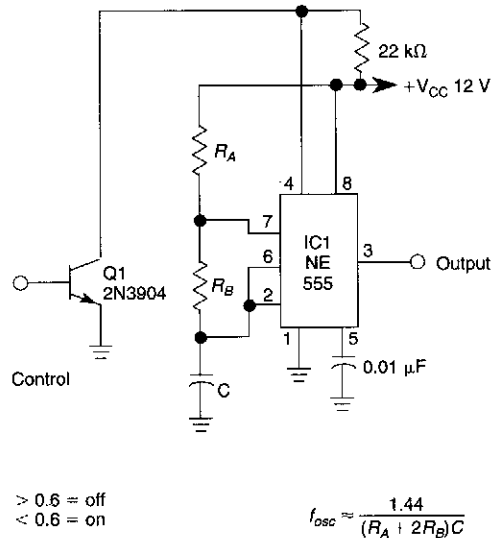


FIG. 71-8

ELECTRONICS NOW

This gated 1-kHz oscillator offers “press-to-turn-off” operation, A, and waveforms at the output of pin 3 and across C1, B.

### PRECISION LF OSCILLATOR

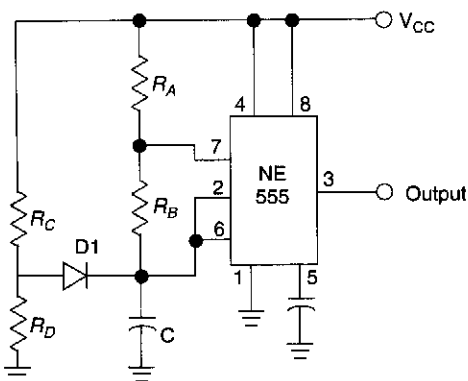
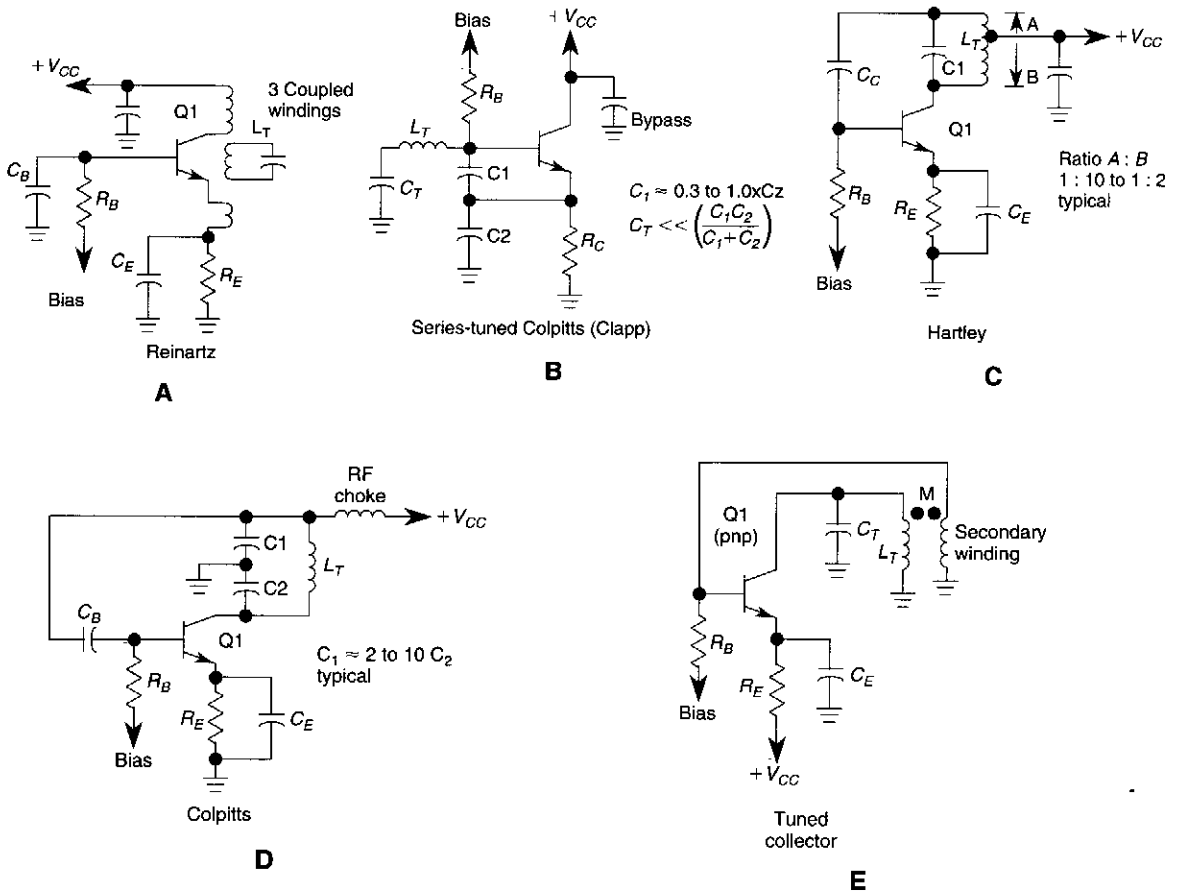


FIG. 71-9

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Using R1, R7, and D1 to preset C1 to one third of the supply voltage, this circuit avoids a longer first cycle period than subsequent cycles.

## BASIC OSCILLATOR CIRCUITS



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FIG. 71-10

Five basic types of LC oscillators are shown. The frequency can be changed by using the formula:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi L_{\text{effective}} C_{\text{effective}}}$$

where  $L_{\text{effective}}$  = equivalent inductance  
 $C_{\text{effective}}$  = equivalent capacitance

## VARIABLE WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR

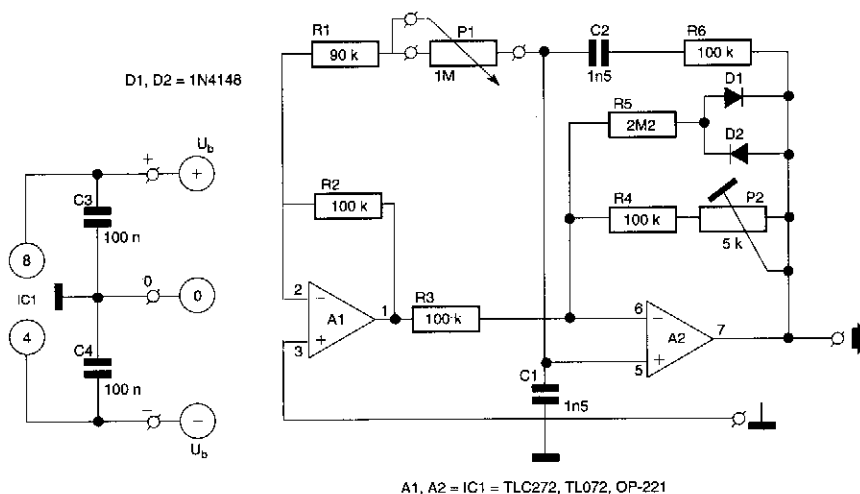


FIG. 71-11

### 303 CIRCUITS

This circuit uses a single potentiometer to tune a 300- to 3000-Hz range. A FET op amp is used at A1 and A2. The upper frequency limit is determined by the gain-bandwidth product of the op amps.

## LOCAL OSCILLATOR FOR DOUBLE BALANCED MIXERS

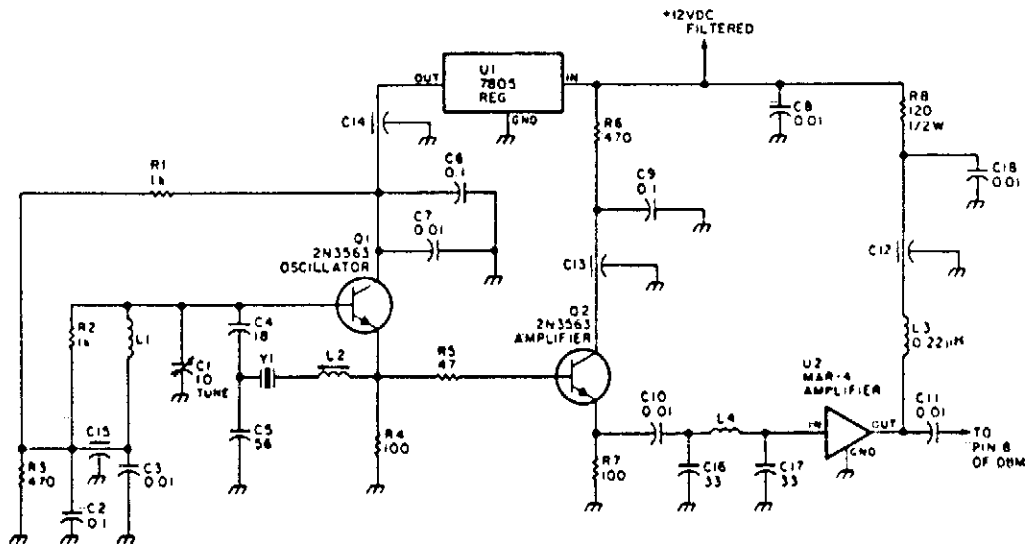
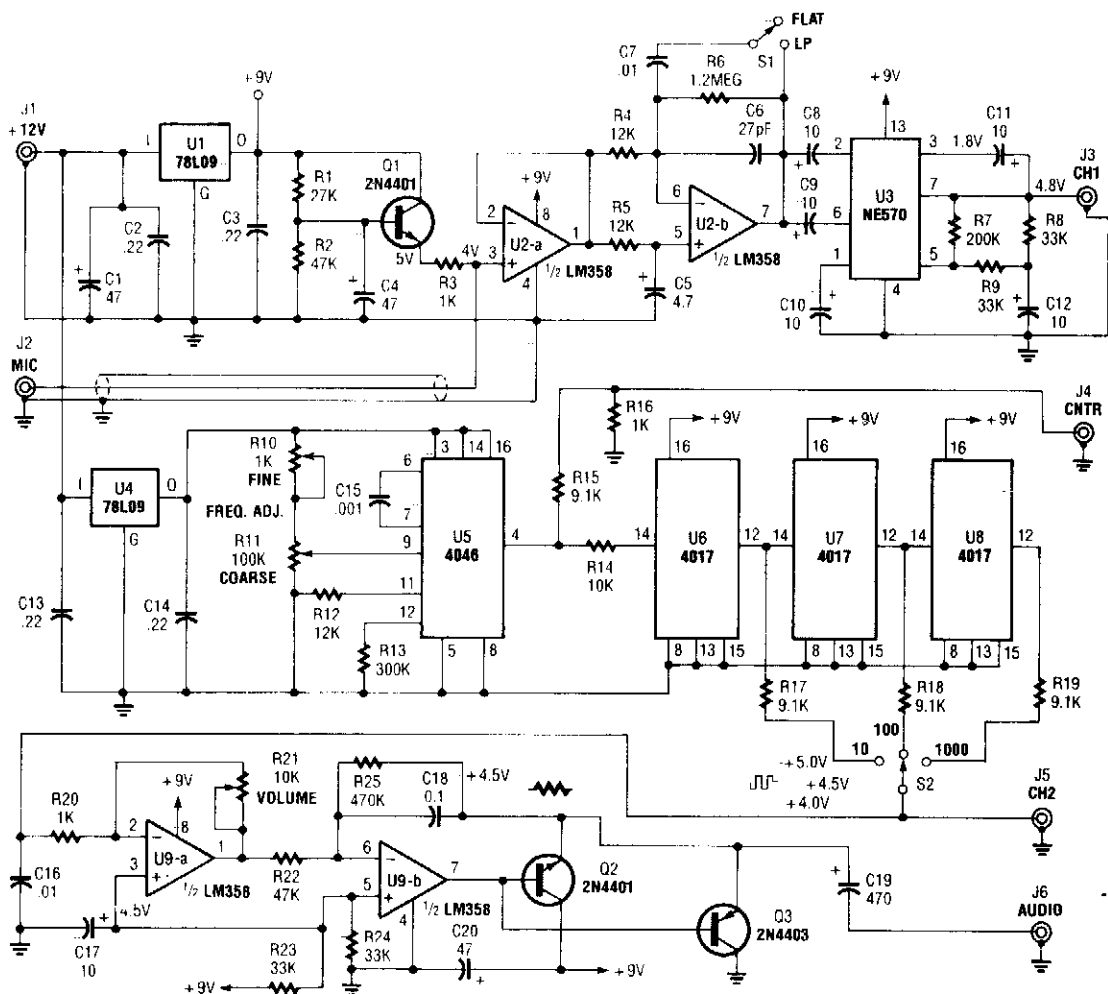


FIG. 71-12

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This circuit has an amplifier to supply +10 dBm to an SBL series (Mini-circuits) or similar type doubly-balanced mixer assembly. This circuit has values shown for  $\approx$ 80- to 90-MHz crystals, although values of oscillator circuit constants can be scaled for higher or lower frequencies.

## PRECISION AUDIO-FREQUENCY GENERATOR



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FIG. 71- 13A

The precision audio-frequency generator consists of several subcircuits—an audio-amplifier/filter circuit, an automatic level control, a variable voltage-controlled oscillator, a frequency divider circuit, an integrator, and an audio output amplifier.

An electret microphone element is used to pick up the audio tone produced by the instrument. That signal is then fed to an amplifier/filter/level-controlled circuit and output via channel 1 (CH1) to an oscilloscope for display.

The variable voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO) is used to produce a signal of from less than 10 kHz to more than 99 kHz. The VCO output is fed to a digital frequency counter for display, and is also routed to a chain of frequency dividers, where the signal is divided by 10, 100, or 1,000, depending on the setting of a selector switch.



## PRECISION AUDIO-FREQUENCY GENERATOR (Cont.)

| Note/<br>Octave | Key# | Hertz  | Stretch<br>in Cents | Note/<br>Octave | Key# | Hertz  | Stretch<br>in Cents |
|-----------------|------|--------|---------------------|-----------------|------|--------|---------------------|
| A/0             | 1    | 27.184 | -20                 | F/4             | 45   | 349.03 | - 1                 |
| B $\flat$ /0    | 2    | 28.817 | -19                 | G $\flat$ /4    | 46   | 369.78 | - 1                 |
| B/0             | 3    | 30.548 | -18                 | G/4             | 47   | 391.77 | - 1                 |
| C/1             | 4    | 32.384 | -17                 | A $\flat$ /4    | 48   | 415.07 | - 1                 |
| D $\flat$ /1    | 5    | 34.329 | -16                 | A/4             | 49   | 440.00 | 0                   |
| D/1             | 6    | 36.391 | -15                 | B $\flat$ /4    | 50   | 466.16 | 0                   |
| E $\flat$ /1    | 7    | 38.578 | -14                 | B/4             | 51   | 493.88 | 0                   |
| E/1             | 8    | 40.895 | -13                 | C/5             | 52   | 523.25 | 0                   |
| F/1             | 9    | 43.352 | -12                 | D $\flat$ /5    | 53   | 554.37 | 0                   |
| G $\flat$ /1    | 10   | 45.956 | -11                 | D/5             | 54   | 587.33 | 0                   |
| G/1             | 11   | 48.717 | -10                 | E $\flat$ /5    | 55   | 622.61 | + 1                 |
| A $\flat$ /1    | 12   | 51.644 | - 9                 | E/5             | 56   | 659.64 | + 1                 |
| A/1             | 13   | 54.746 | - 8                 | F/5             | 57   | 698.86 | + 1                 |
| B $\flat$ /1    | 14   | 58.035 | - 7                 | G $\flat$ /5    | 58   | 740.42 | + 1                 |
| B/1             | 15   | 61.522 | - 6                 | G/5             | 59   | 784.44 | + 1                 |
| C/2             | 16   | 65.180 | - 6                 | A $\flat$ /5    | 60   | 831.57 | + 2                 |
| D $\flat$ /2    | 17   | 69.096 | - 5                 | A/5             | 61   | 881.02 | + 2                 |
| D/2             | 18   | 73.204 | - 5                 | B $\flat$ /5    | 62   | 933.41 | + 2                 |
| E $\flat$ /2    | 19   | 77.602 | - 4                 | B/5             | 63   | 988.91 | + 2                 |
| E/2             | 20   | 82.217 | - 4                 | C/6             | 64   | 1047.7 | + 2                 |
| F/2             | 21   | 87.106 | - 4                 | D $\flat$ /6    | 65   | 1110.7 | + 3                 |
| G $\flat$ /2    | 22   | 92.285 | - 4                 | D/6             | 66   | 1176.7 | + 3                 |
| G/2             | 23   | 97.773 | - 4                 | E $\flat$ /6    | 67   | 1246.7 | + 3                 |
| A $\flat$ /2    | 24   | 103.65 | - 3                 | E/6             | 68   | 1321.6 | + 4                 |
| A/2             | 25   | 109.81 | - 3                 | F/6             | 69   | 1400.1 | + 4                 |
| B $\flat$ /2    | 26   | 116.34 | - 3                 | G $\flat$ /6    | 70   | 1484.3 | + 5                 |
| B/2             | 27   | 123.26 | - 3                 | G/6             | 71   | 1572.5 | + 5                 |
| C/3             | 28   | 130.59 | - 3                 | A $\flat$ /6    | 72   | 1667.0 | + 6                 |
| D $\flat$ /3    | 29   | 138.35 | - 3                 | A/6             | 73   | 1766.1 | + 6                 |
| D/3             | 30   | 146.58 | - 3                 | B $\flat$ /6    | 74   | 1872.2 | + 7                 |
| E $\flat$ /3    | 31   | 155.29 | - 3                 | B/6             | 75   | 1984.7 | + 8                 |
| E/3             | 32   | 164.53 | - 3                 | C/7             | 76   | 2103.9 | + 9                 |
| F/3             | 33   | 174.31 | - 3                 | D $\flat$ /7    | 77   | 2230.3 | +10                 |
| G $\flat$ /3    | 34   | 184.73 | - 2.5               | D/7             | 78   | 2230.2 | +10                 |
| G/3             | 35   | 195.71 | - 2.5               | E $\flat$ /7    | 79   | 2506.3 | +12                 |
| A $\flat$ /3    | 36   | 207.41 | - 2                 | E/7             | 80   | 2656.9 | +13                 |
| A/3             | 37   | 219.75 | - 2                 | F/7             | 81   | 2818.1 | +15                 |
| B $\flat$ /3    | 38   | 232.81 | - 2                 | G $\flat$ /7    | 82   | 2989.2 | +17                 |
| B/3             | 39   | 246.66 | - 2                 | G/7             | 83   | 3170.6 | +19                 |
| C/4             | 40   | 261.32 | - 2                 | A $\flat$ /7    | 84   | 3363.0 | +21                 |
| D $\flat$ /4    | 41   | 276.86 | - 2                 | A/7             | 85   | 3567.1 | +23                 |
| D/4             | 42   | 293.33 | - 2                 | B $\flat$ /7    | 86   | 3783.6 | +25                 |
| E $\flat$ /4    | 43   | 310.86 | - 1.5               | B/7             | 87   | 4013.2 | +27                 |
| E/4             | 44   | 329.44 | - 1                 | C/8             | 88   | 4259.2 | +30                 |

•Standard pitch, A49= 440 Hz  
 Values shown are stretched for the average piano

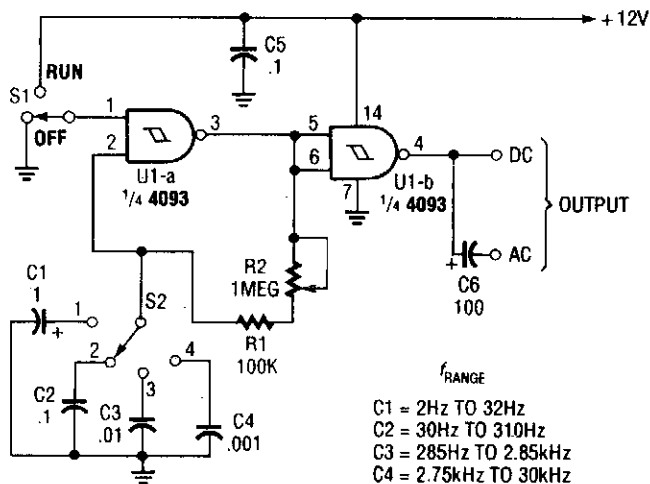
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**FIG. 71- 13B**

From there, the selected signal frequency divides along two paths; one going to CH2 (which feeds the oscilloscope's sweep synchronization input) and to an integrator that converts the square-wave output of the divider into a triangular waveform. The output of the integrator is then amplified and fed to a set of stereo headphones via an audio output jack.

One section of the precision audio-frequency generator uses an electret microphone element to pick up audio from the piano. That signal is then processed and sent to one channel of a dual-trace oscilloscope. The other section of the circuit is used to produce a variable-frequency signal that is fed to a digital frequency counter and, after conditioning, is presented to the second channel of the scope and output to a set of stereo headphones.

## CMOS VFO

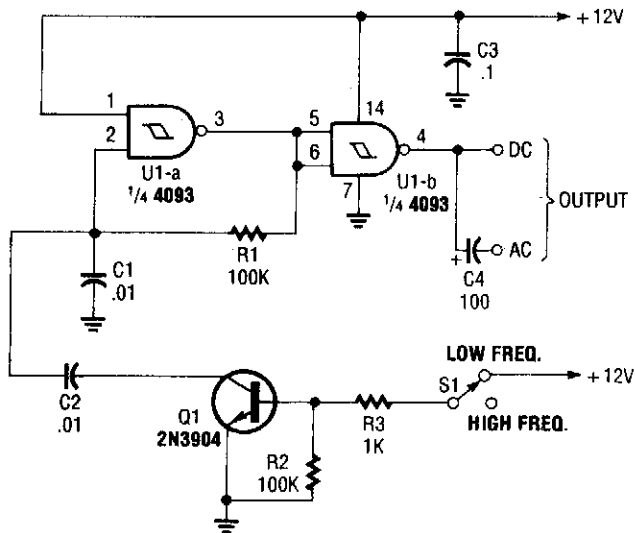


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FIG. 71-14

The circuit shown has a frequency range of 2 Hz to 30 kHz. R2 is a linear or log potentiometer.

## FREQUENCY SWITCHER

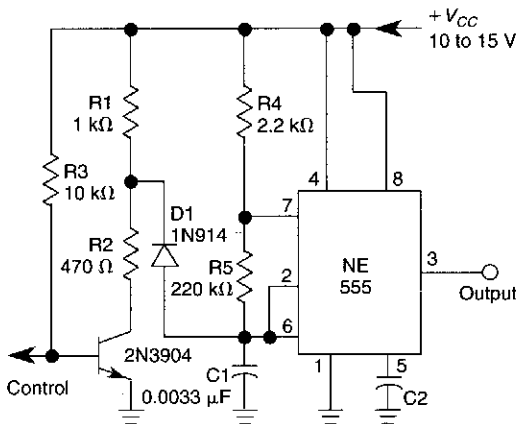


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FIG. 71-15

This transistor can achieve frequency switching in this CMOS astable oscillator.

## PRECISION GATED OSCILLATOR

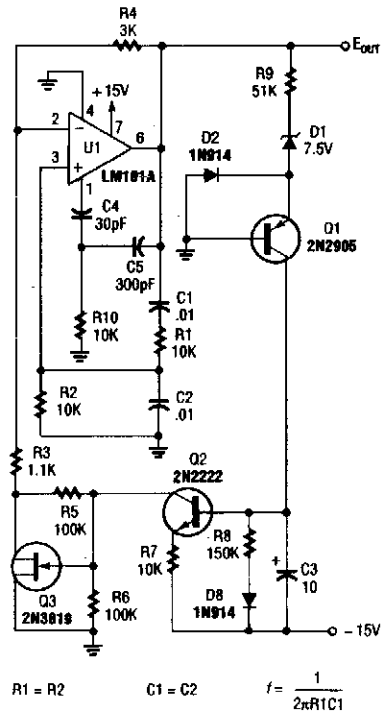


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FIG. 71-16

A 1-kHz gated oscillator with no long "turn-on" cycle is shown. R2, R3, and D1 preset the voltage on tuning capacitor C1 to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the supply voltage.

## WIEN-BRIDGE AUDIO OSCILLATOR



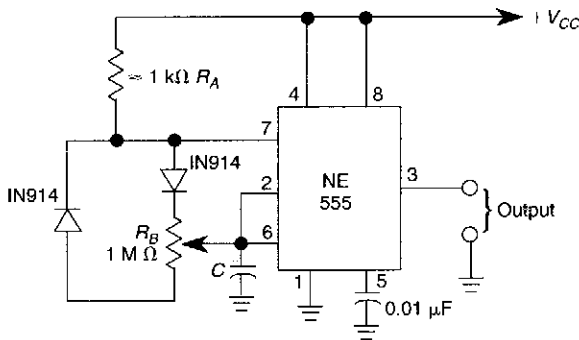
$$R1 = R2 \quad C1 = C2 \quad f = \frac{1}{2\pi R1C1}$$

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FIG. 71-17

For variable-frequency operation, R1 and R2 can be replaced by a dual potentiometer.

## VARIABLE DUTY-CYCLE OSCILLATOR



$$T \approx \frac{1.44}{(R_A + 2R_B)C}$$

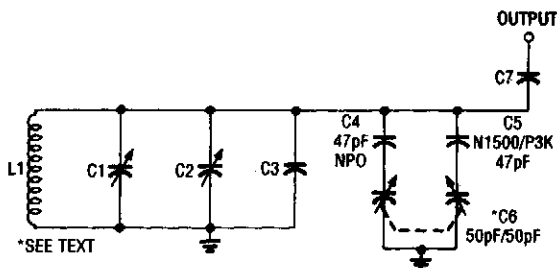
NOTE: Diodes have the effect of slightly reducing the observed frequency—especially if  $V_{CC} < 10$  V as a result of 0.6 V offset.

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FIG. 71-18

Using a potentiometer and steering diodes, this 1.2-kHz oscillator will provide 1 to 99% duty cycle. Vary C1 to change frequency.

## ADJUSTABLE VFO TEMPERATURE COMPENSATOR

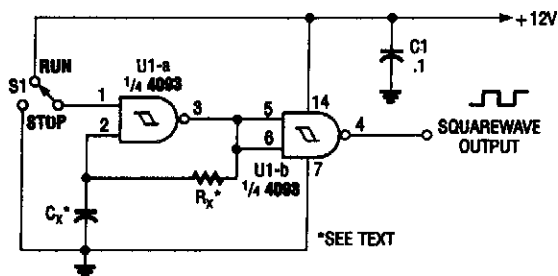


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FIG. 71-19

Use of a differential capacitor allows temperature compensation of LC circuit using an NPO and N1500 ceramic. C6 is a differential capacitor that has two stators and one common rotor. When one capacitance (stator) is maximum, the other is minimum. L1, C1, C2, and C3 are tuning, trimming, and fixed capacitors, respectively.

## 4093 CMOS ASTABLE OSCILLATOR

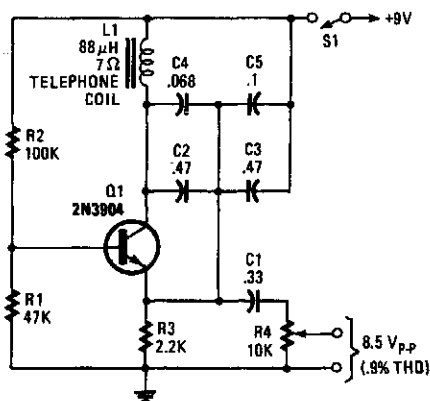


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FIG. 71-20

Two gates of the Quad 4093 are used to make an oscillator.  $R_x$  can be from about 5 k $\Omega$  to around 10 M $\Omega$ .  $C_x$  can be from about 10 pF to many  $\mu$ F, the limit being set by the leakage of the capacitor. Frequency is approximately  $2.8/R_x C_x$  (R M $\Omega$ , Cmfd).

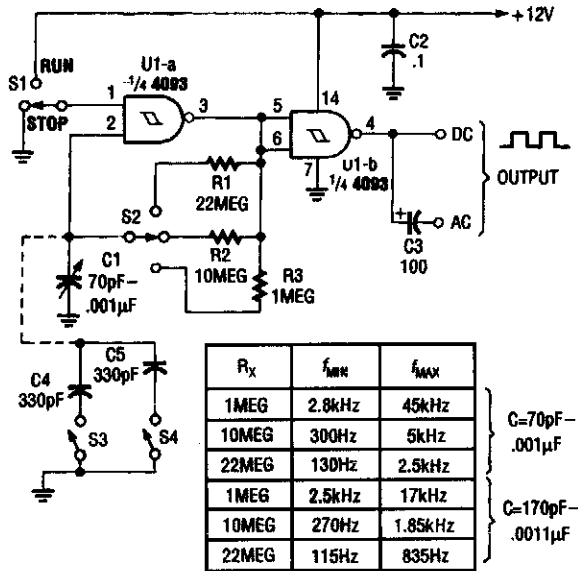
## SIMPLE AUDIO TEST OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 71-21

## 4093 CMOS VFO



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**FIG. 71-22**

Two gates of a Quad 4093 are used in an astable multivibrator. C1 is a three-gang 365 pF variable capacitor with sections paralleled. S3 and S4 switch in optional extra capacitors.

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## Oscilloscope Circuits

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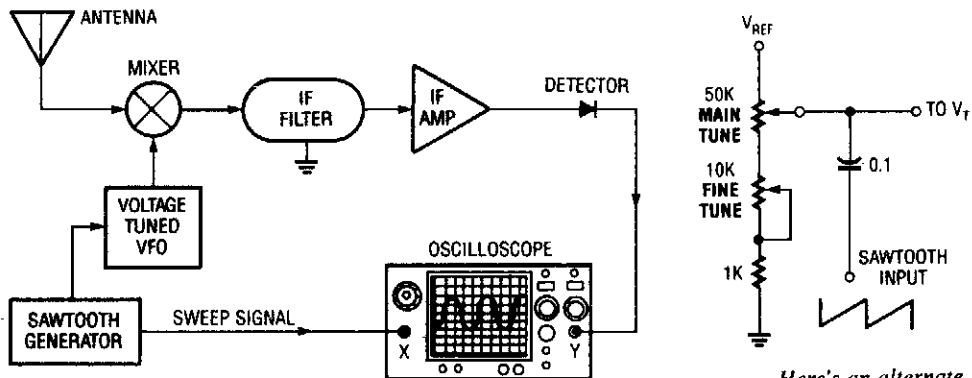
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Oscilloscope Preamplifier  
Simple Spectrum Analyzer Adaptor for Scopes  
Simple Oscilloscope Timebase Generator  
Trigger Selection Circuit for Oscilloscope Timebase  
Variable Gain Amplifier

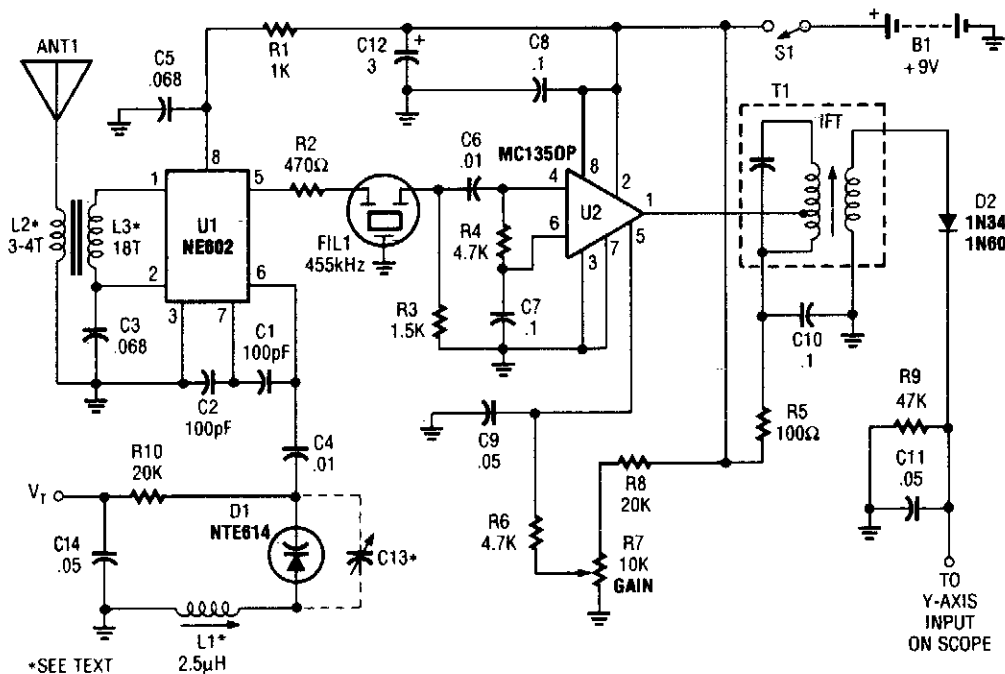


## SIMPLE SPECTRUM ANALYZER ADAPTOR FOR SCOPES



*Block diagram of a spectrum analyzer.*

*Here's an alternate tuning network for the spectrum analyzer.*



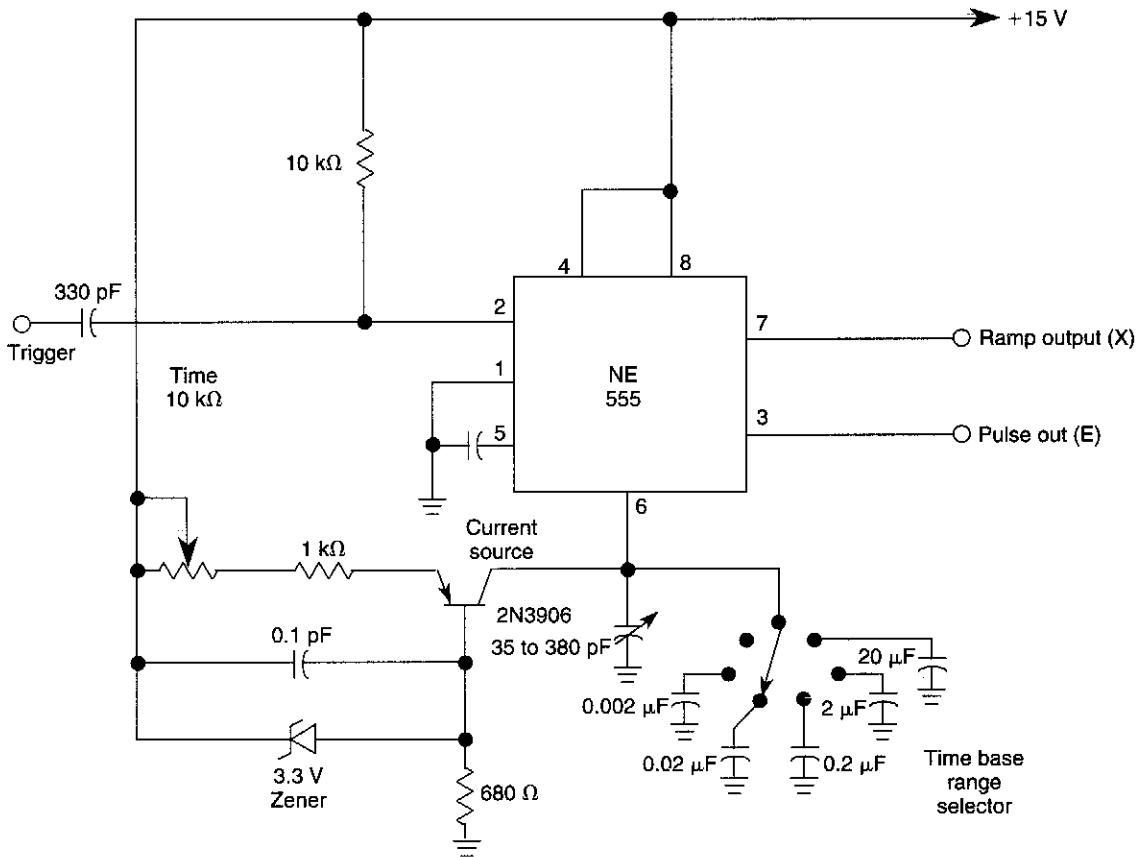
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**FIG. 72-2**

Suitable for monitoring an amateur band or a segment of the radio spectrum, this simple adaptor uses an NE602 mixer-oscillator chip to produce a 455-kHz IF signal, which U2 amplifies, then feeds to detector D2 and the Y axis of an oscilloscope.  $V_T$  is used to drive the horizontal axis input of a scope. L2 and L3 are coils suitable for the frequency range in use. For this circuit, coils are shown for the 10- to 15-MHz range. L2 and L3 are wound on Amidon Associates, T-37 or T-50 toroidal cores, and L1 is a commercial or homemade variable inductor, etc.



## SIMPLE OSCILLOSCOPE TIMEBASE GENERATOR

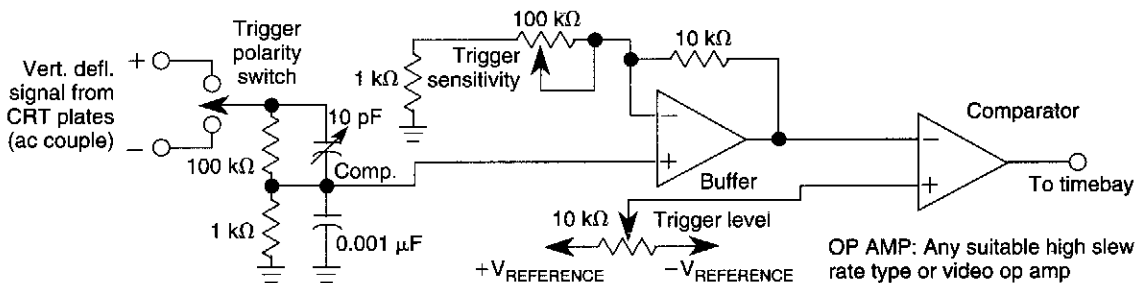


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FIG. 72-3

The 555 timer generates both a linear ramp and an output for Z-axis modulations of the CRT electron beam.

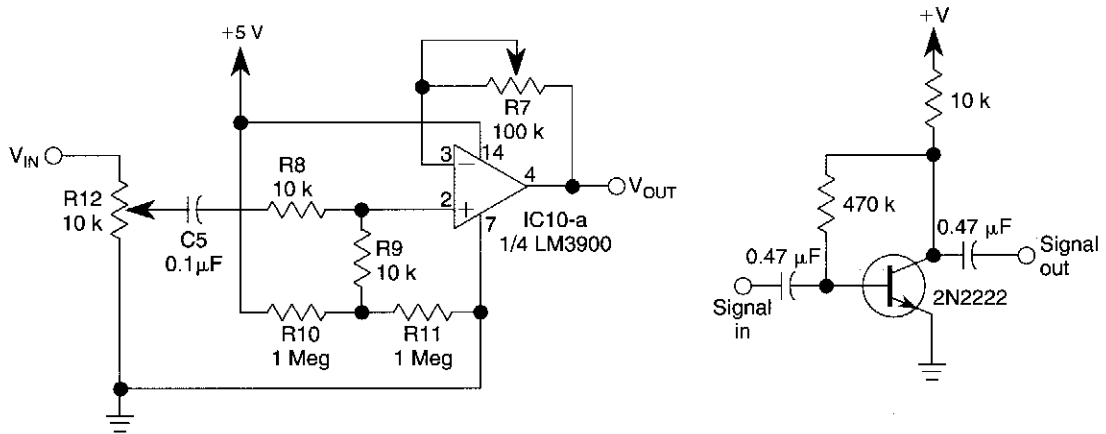
## TRIGGER SELECTION CIRCUIT FOR OSCILLOSCOPE TIMEBASE



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FIG. 72-4

## VARIABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER



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FIG. 72-5

This circuit uses  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an LM3900 to build a simple variable-gain front end for an oscilloscope. R7 is the gain control. Also shown is a simple preamp if you need more than 10X of gain.

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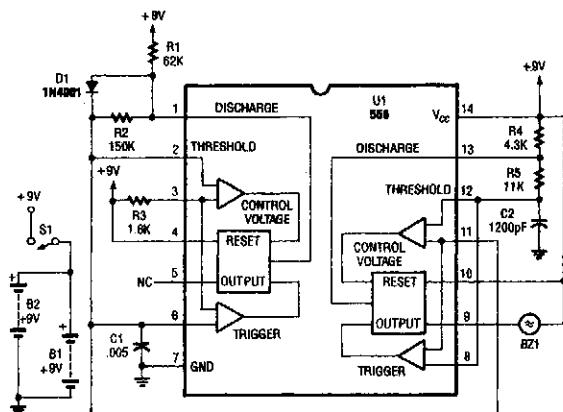
## Pest-Control Circuits

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Pest Repeller  
Ultrasonic Pest Repeller

## PEST REPELLER

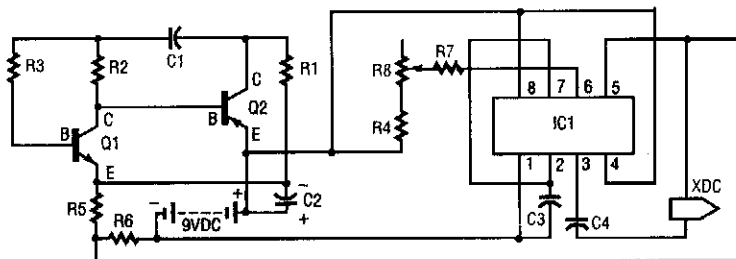


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FIG. 73-1

The two timers in the bug repeller have some interesting characteristics. Both of them have their thresholds externally set; the oscillator on the left has a 50% duty cycle and the oscillator on the right acts as a VCO.

## ULTRASONIC PEST REPELLER



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FIG. 73-2

This circuit uses two transistors and one IC (555 timer IC) to produce a pulsating ultrasonic frequency. Transistors Q1 and Q2 are connected in a direct-coupled oscillator. The frequency of that oscillator is set by capacitor C1. The oscillator output is taken from the emitter of Q2 to pin 7 of IC1. Transistor Q1 is an npn transistor, and Q2 is a pnp transistor. The signal of pin 7 on IC1 causes the output signal appearing on pin 3 to be modulated or varied by the audio frequency developed by Q1 and Q2. The IC itself is connected as a stable multivibrator with a frequency that is determined by C3. Capacitor C3 sets the basic frequency to be well above the human hearing range (ultrasonic). The combined modulated ultrasonic frequency appears on pin 3 of IC1, where it is coupled by capacitor C4 to the piezoelectric transducer.

|        |                                   |        |                               |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| C1, C2 | 0.1- $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor      | R2     | 3.3-M $\Omega$ Resistor       |
| C2     | 1- $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor | R3, R6 | 10-k $\Omega$ Resistor        |
| C3     | 0.001- $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor    | R4, R5 | 100- $\Omega$ Resistor        |
| IC1    | 555 timer IC                      | R7     | 18-k $\Omega$ Resistor        |
| Q1     | 2N3904 Transistor                 | R8     | Potentiometer                 |
| Q2     | 2N3906 Transistor                 | XDC    | Piezoelectric Transducer Disc |
| R1     | 4.7-k $\Omega$ Resistor           | Misc   | IC Socket, 9-V Snap, PC Board |

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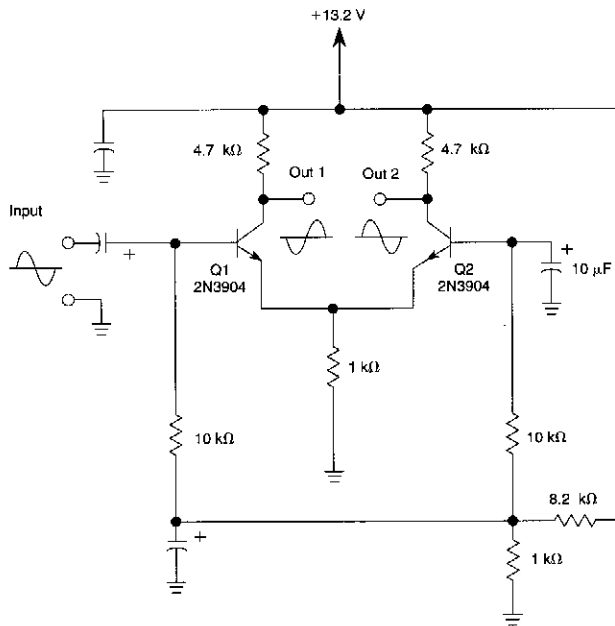
## Phase Shifter Circuits

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Long-Tailed Pair Phase-Splitter  
Phase-Splitter Circuit  
Phase Shifter with Eight Outputs

## LONG-TAILED PAIR PHASE-SPLITTER

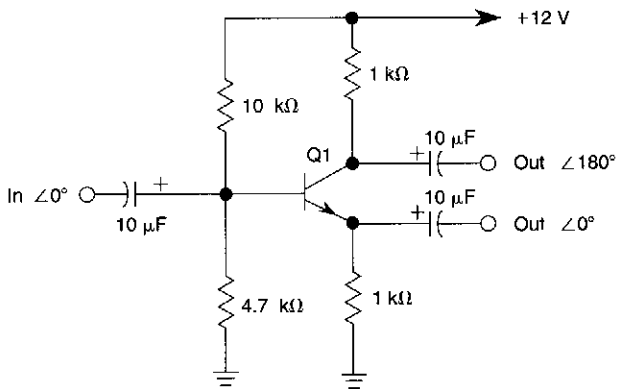


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FIG. 74-1

The single-phase input produces out-of-phase outputs at the collectors of Q1 and Q2.

## PHASE-SPLITTER CIRCUIT



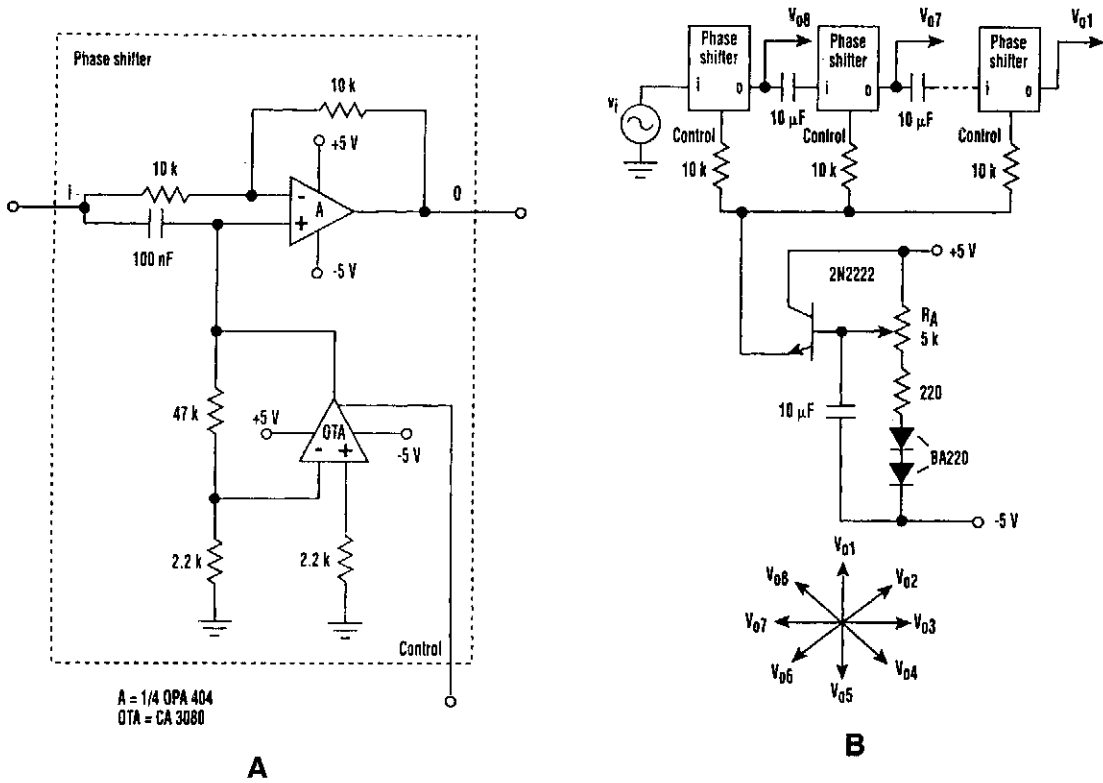
Q1: 2N2222, etc.

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FIG. 74-2

This phase splitter uses a 2N2222 (or other general purpose npn transistor) to achieve outputs that are 180° out of phase.

## PHASE SHIFTER WITH EIGHT OUTPUTS



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**FIG. 74-3**

The circuit consists of eight cascaded identical cells, each cell being a dc-controlled active phase shifter. Because the dc control is common for all shifters, the circuit is adjusted by trimming  $R_A$  so that the phase difference between  $V_{o1}$  and  $V_i$  is zero. As a result, each shifter will introduce a phase difference of exactly  $\pi/r$ . The eight signals for PSK are available at the op amps' outputs.

Phase accuracy is acceptable for 1%-tolerance resistors and 5%-tolerance  $100\text{-nF}$  capacitors. Also, the amplitude of  $V_i$  (which is a  $1700\text{-Hz}$  sine wave), should not exceed  $1\text{ V}$ .

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## Photography Related Circuits

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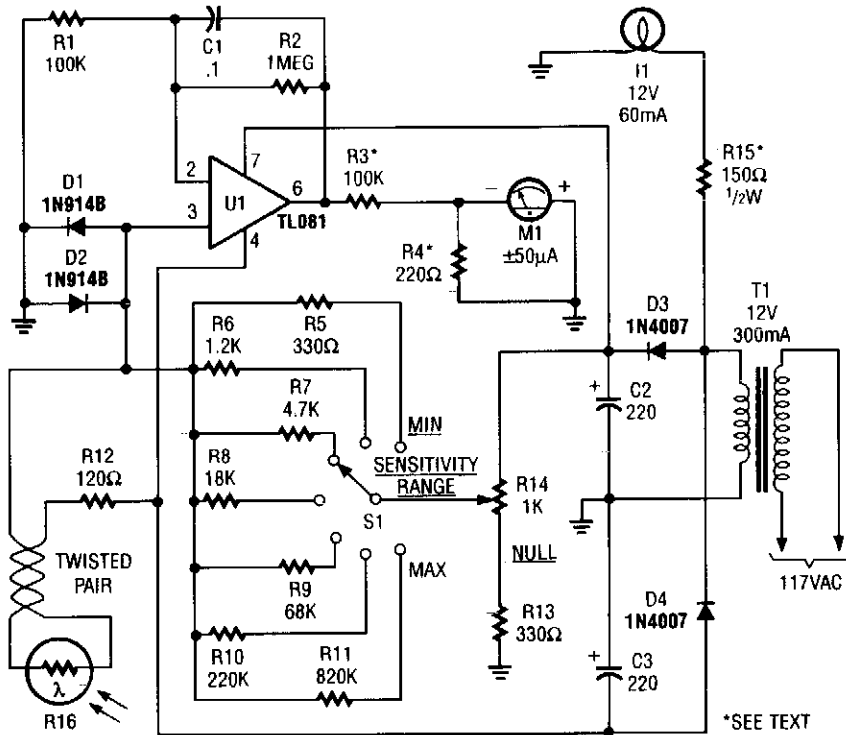
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Time-Delay Flash-Trigger Circuit  
Photo Flash Slave Unit  
Enlarging Light Meter  
Photo Strobe  
Darkroom Timer  
Photo Strobe Slave Trigger  
Strobe Light  
Enlarger Exposure Meter





## ENLARGING LIGHT METER



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FIG. 75-3

Meter M1, a  $\pm 50\text{-}\mu\text{A}$  zero-center D'Arsonval meter movement is driven by U1, a TL081 FET op amp, through R3. The gain of U1 is set at 11 by R1 and R2, while capacitor C1 is used to restrict the bandwidth of U1 to 1.6 Hz. Power for the circuit is derived from a simple dual-polarity 12-V power supply (consisting of T1, D3, D4, C2, and C3).

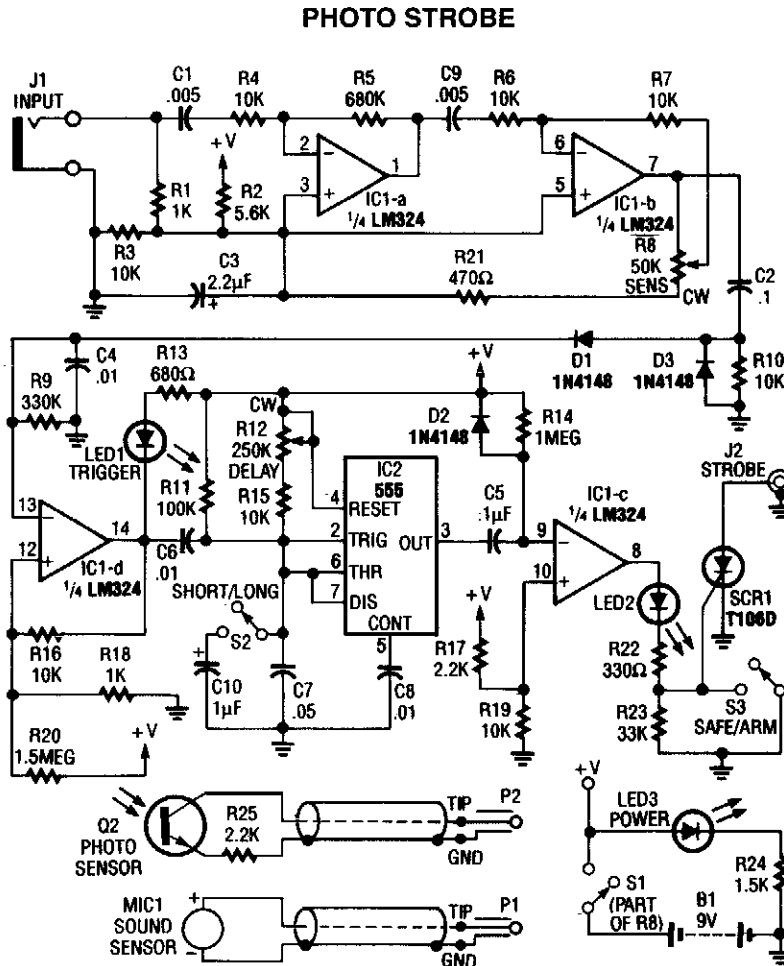
A light-dependent resistor (LDR), R16 (which is a semiconductor element whose resistance decreases as it is exposed to increasing illumination), is used as a light-sensing device. One end of R16 is connected to the negative supply rail through R12, and the other end is connected to pin 3 of U1, applying a negative current to U1. A variable (over a 4:1 range) positive current determined by the settings of R14 and S1 (and derived from the positive supply rail) is also fed to pin 3 of U1.

When the two currents (of opposite polarities) are equal, they cancel each other out, so effectively no current is applied to pin 3 of U1. With no current applied to pin 3, the output of U1 is zero and meter M1 registers accordingly, indicating a null. However, when light striking R16 causes its resistance to decrease, the current through the device increases, making the negative current greater than the positive current. Under that condition, the negative current causes the output of U1 to swing negative, causing the pointer to swing in the negative direction.

That indicates that the light intensity must be reduced by using a smaller lens opening on the enlarger (smaller  $f/\text{stop}$ ). The opposite occurs if the light is too dim. Lamp 11, a 12-V 60-mA "grain of wheat" unit, is used to illuminate the meter scale, and R15 is used to limit the meter's illumination to a faint glow that is just bright enough so that the face of M1 can be plainly seen in a photo darkroom.

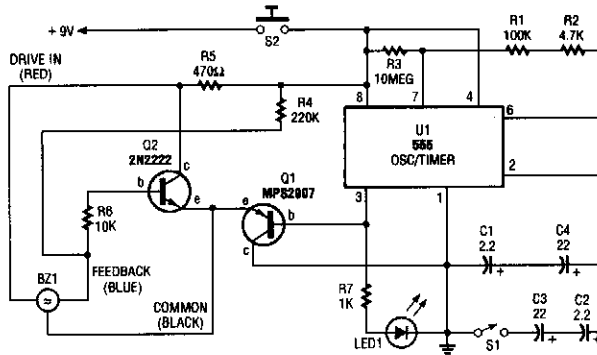
## ENLARGING LIGHT METER (Cont.)

Resistors R3 and R4 should be selected for the meter used. With a dual supply of  $\pm 12$  V, U1 produces an output voltage of 10 V peak-to-peak. The resistance of R3 can be found by dividing the peak voltage (i.e., 10/2) by the full-scale meter current (in amps); i.e.,  $R_3 = (10/2)/0.0005 = 100,000 \Omega$ . R4, the shunt resistor, should be selected to have a value equal to the meter's internal resistance.



Sound or light sensors connected to J2 produce a voltage that is amplified by IC1-a and IC1-b. A positive trigger voltage that is developed by D1 and D3 and amplified by IC1-d, drives IC2 and IC1 to trigger SCR1. SCR1 is connected to a strobe. This device is handy for photographic purposes to take pictures of events that involve sound, such as impacts, etc.

## DARKROOM TIMER



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FIG. 75-5

The electronic darkroom timer is built around a 555 oscillator/timer, a pair of general-purpose transistors, a buzzer, and an LED. The 555 (U1) is configured as an astable multivibrator (free-running oscillator). The frequency of the oscillator is determined by the values  $R_1$  through  $R_3$  and  $C_1$  through  $C_4$ . Switch S1 is used to divide the capacitor network to vary the time interval between beeps; when S1 is closed, the circuit beeps at intervals of 30 seconds. With S1 closed, it beeps at 15-second intervals.

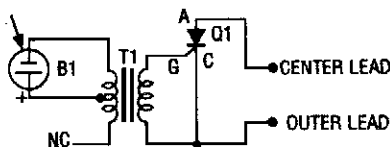
When power is applied to the circuit (by closing switch S2), the output of U1 at pin 3 is initially high. That high is applied to the base of transistor Q1 (an MPS2907 general-purpose pnp device), keeping it turned off. That high is also applied to the anode of LED1 (which is used as a power on indicator) through resistor R7, turning it on.

Timing capacitors C1 through C5 begin to charge through timing resistors R1 through R3. dc voltage is applied to BZ1's driver input through R5 and to its feedback terminal (through R4), which is also connected to Q2's base terminal. The  $V_+$  voltage that applied to Q2's base causes it to turn on, tying BZ1's common terminal high.

When the timing capacitors are sufficiently charged, a trigger pulse is applied to pin 2 (the trigger input) of U2, causing U1's output to momentarily go low. This causes LED1 to go out and transistor Q1 to turn on. That, in turn, grounds the common lead of buzzer BZ1, causing BZ1 to sound. Afterward, the output of U1 returns to the high state, turning off Q1, and turning on LED1, until another time interval has elapsed and the process is repeated.

The circuit is powered by a 9-Vac adapter, which plugs into a standard 117-V household outlet. Because the circuit draws only about 10 to 15 mA, a 9-V alkaline transistor-radio-battery can also be used to power the circuit.

## PHOTO STROBE SLAVE TRIGGER

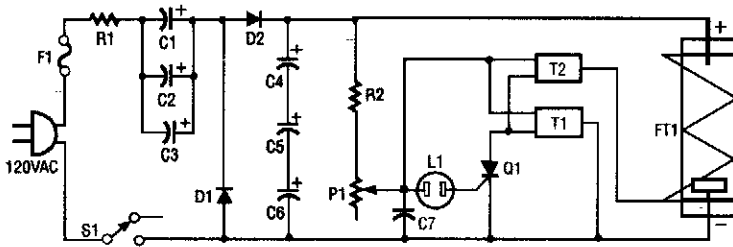


The photo strobe slave trigger circuit uses a solar cell and an SCR to flash any strobe when you trigger your "master" strobe. The tiny solar cell produces a very small voltage when light falls on its surface.

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FIG. 75-6

## STROBE LIGHT



- C1,C2,C3... 10  $\mu$ F 160V Electrolytic Capacitor  
 C4,C5,C6... 160  $\mu$ F 200V Electrolytic Capacitor  
 C7 ..... 0.5  $\mu$ F 250V Mylar Capacitor  
 D1, D2 .. 1N4004 Diodes  
 F1 ..... 1 Amp Pigtail Fuse  
 FT1 ..... Giant Xenon Strobe Tube  
 L1 ..... Neon Lamp  
 P1 ..... 10 Meg Potentiometer  
 Q1 ..... 106D1 SCR  
 R1 ..... 20 ohm 10 Watt Power Resistor  
 R2 ..... 270K 1/4 Watt Resistor  
 S1 ..... Slide Switch  
 T1, T2 .. Trigger Coil

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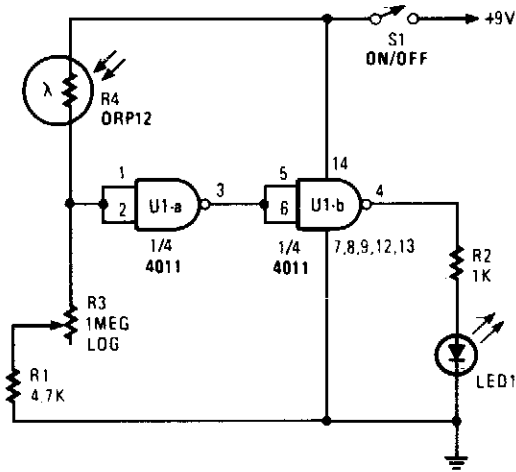
FIG. 75-7

This strobe light operates from standard 120-Vac power. R1 limits the amount of current applied to the voltage doubler stage, which is comprised of C1, C2, C3, D1, D2, C4, C5, and C6. Capacitors C1, C2, and C3 are connected in parallel and form a capacitance of 30  $\mu$ F at 160 V. Capacitors C4, C5, and C6 are connected in series and form an equivalent capacitor of about 53  $\mu$ F at 480 V. Diodes D1 and D2 not only rectify the ac voltage, but also complete the voltage doubler stage, which converts the incoming 120 Vac to the appropriately 300 V that are required by the xenon strobe tube.

The next stage of the circuit is the neon relaxation oscillator and trigger stage. This stage is made up of R2, P1, C7, L1, Q1, T1, and T2. As the storage capacitor (made up of C4, C5, and C6) reaches its full-capacity charge, the voltage divider (made up of R2 and P1) applies voltage to capacitor C7. As C7 charges up, it reaches a threshold voltage level, SCR Q1. When Q1 has a positive pulse on its gate, it fires (causes a short from anode to cathode). That firing action discharges most of the energy stored in C7 into trigger transformers T1 and T2 (which have secondaries connected in series to develop 8 kV). The frequency of the 8-kV pulses is determined by the setting of P1 and the value of C7. Because C7 is a fixed capacitor, only the setting of P1 adjusts the flash rate in this circuit.

As soon as an 8-kV pulse is applied from the secondary of T2 (trigger wire) to the trigger lead of FT1, it discharges storage capacitors C4, C5, and C6, which causes it to ionize (flash). The cycle then repeats itself until the power is removed from the circuit board by turning "off" S1 or removing the line cord.

## ENLARGER EXPOSURE METER



Two gates of a 4011 are used as a comparator. When the resistance of R4 decreases the voltage at pin 1 and 2 increases, producing a logic zero at pin 3, causing pin 4 to go high and activating the LED. R3 is calibrated in light units, or seconds exposure time. To calibrate, set pot R3 so as to just be on the LED ON/OFF threshold. With a light level that is suitable to correctly expose a photographic print, use a known enlarger and a known negative.

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## Piezo Circuits

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CMOS Piezo Driver

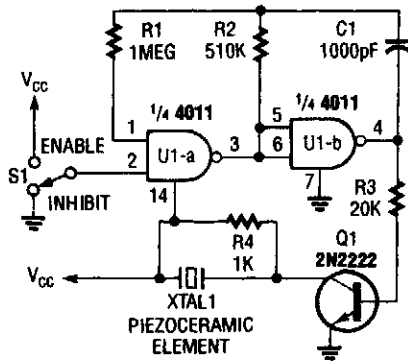
CMOS Piezo Driver Using 4049

Piezo Driver

Piezo Micropositioner Driver

555 Oscillator for Driving a Piezo Transducer

### CMOS PIEZO DRIVER



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FIG. 76-1

A CMOS-gate and transistor buffer can be used as an effective driver for a piezoelectric transducer.

### CMOS PIEZO DRIVER USING 4049

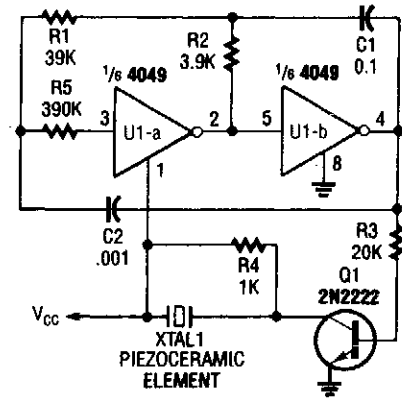
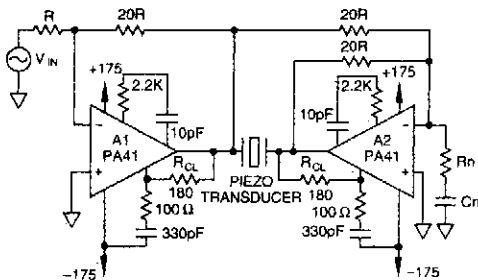


FIG. 76-2

This circuit uses a 4049 IC to drive a 2N2222 switching transistor. The transistor drives crystal 1 a piezo transducer.

### PIEZO DRIVER

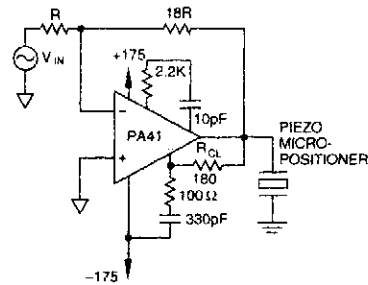


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 76-3

Using a PA41 from Apex Microtechnology, this monolithic amplifier is capable of 350-V operation and delivers 660 V p-p in a bridge circuit.

### PIEZO MICROPOSITIONER DRIVER



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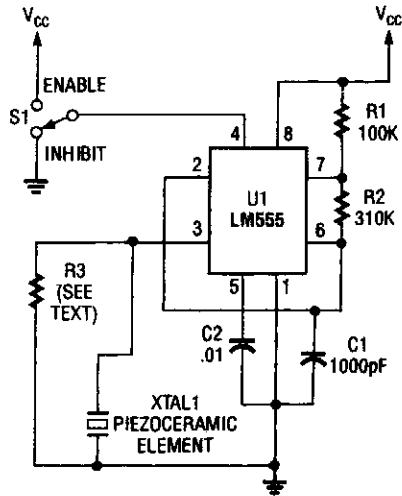
FIG. 76-4

The PA41 from Apex Microtechnology is used here to drive a piezoelectric micropositioner. The drive voltage is less than 20 V p-p at input.



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## 555 OSCILLATOR FOR DRIVING A PIEZO TRANSDUCER



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FIG. 76-5

A 555-timer oscillator is perhaps one of the most popular circuits for driving a piezoelectric transducer.

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## Power Supply Circuits—High Voltage

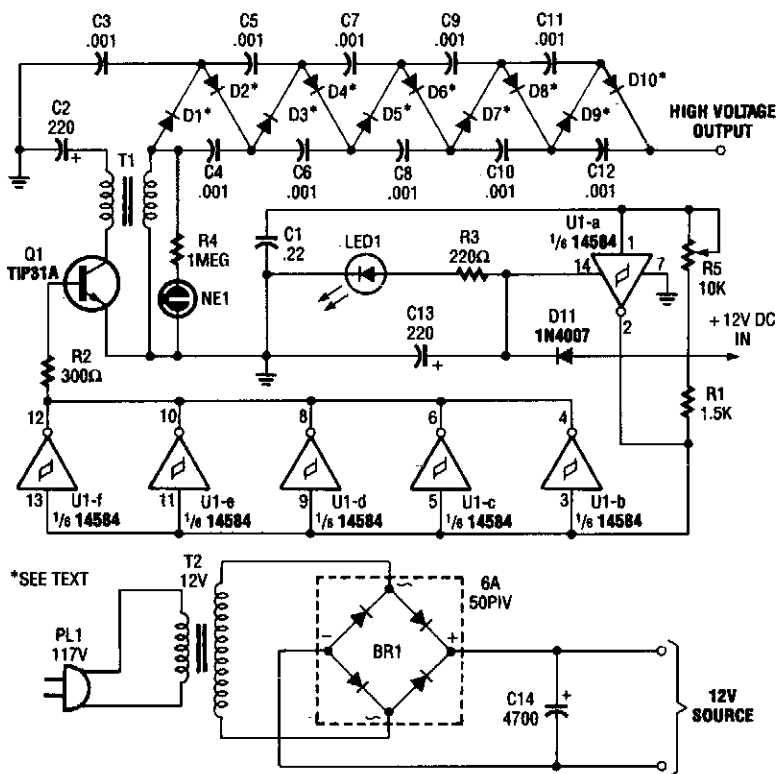
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

High-Voltage dc Generator  
Fluorescent Tube Power Supply  
Photomultiplier Supply  
Negative Voltage Supply  
Photomultiplier Circuit  
Single-Chip dc Supply for 120–240 Vac Operation  
High-Voltage Supply  
Cold-Cathode Fluorescent-Lamp Power Supply

## HIGH-VOLTAGE dc GENERATOR



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FIG. 77-1

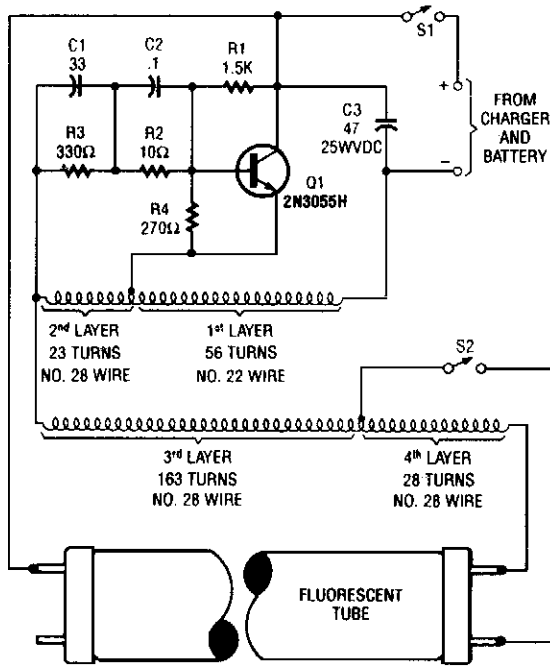
In the miniature high-voltage dc generator, the input to the circuit, taken from a 12-Vdc power supply, is magnified to provide a 10,000-Vdc output causing a pulsating signal, of opposite polarity, to be induced in T1's secondary winding.

The pulsating dc output at the secondary winding of T1 (ranging from 800 to 1000 V) is applied to a 10-stage voltage-multiplier circuit, which consists of D1 through D10, and C3 through C12. The multiplier circuit increased the voltage 10 times, producing an output of up to 10,000 Vdc. The multiplier accomplishes its task by charging the capacitors (C3 through C12); the output is a series addition of the voltages on all the capacitors in the multiplier.

In order for the circuit to operate efficiently, the frequency of the square wave, and therefore the signal applied to the multiplier, must be considered. The output frequency of the oscillator (U1-a) is set by the combined values of  $R_1$ ,  $R_5$ , and  $C_1$  (which with the values specified is approximately 15 kHz). Potentiometer R5 is used to fine tune the output frequency of the oscillator. The higher the frequency of the oscillator, the lower the capacitive reactance in the multiplier.

Light-emitting diode LED1 serves as an input-power indicator, and neon lamp NE1 indicates an output at the secondary of T1. A good way to get the maximum output at the multiplier is to connect an oscilloscope to the high-voltage output of the multiplier, via a high-voltage probe, and adjust potentiometer R5 for the maximum voltage output.

## FLUORESCENT TUBE POWER SUPPLY

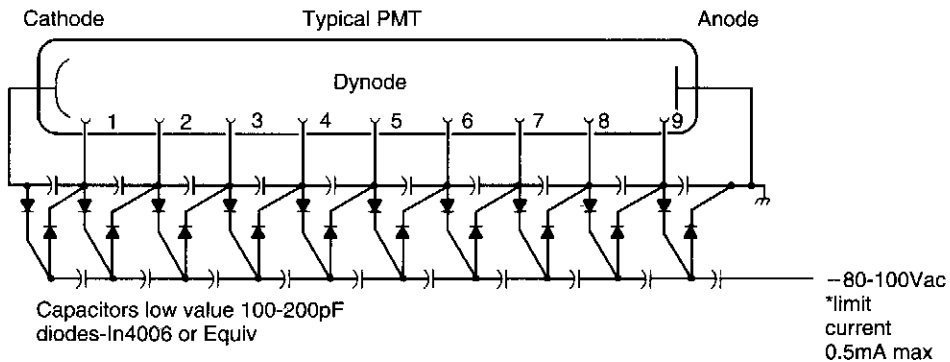


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FIG. 77-2

A 2N3055 oscillator (Q1) drives a homemade transformer, wound on a  $\frac{5}{16} \times 1\frac{1}{8}$ " ferrite rod. S2 is used as a filament switch and it can be eliminated, if desired. A 20-W fluorescent tube is recommended. The supply is 12 V.

## PHOTOMULTIPLIER SUPPLY

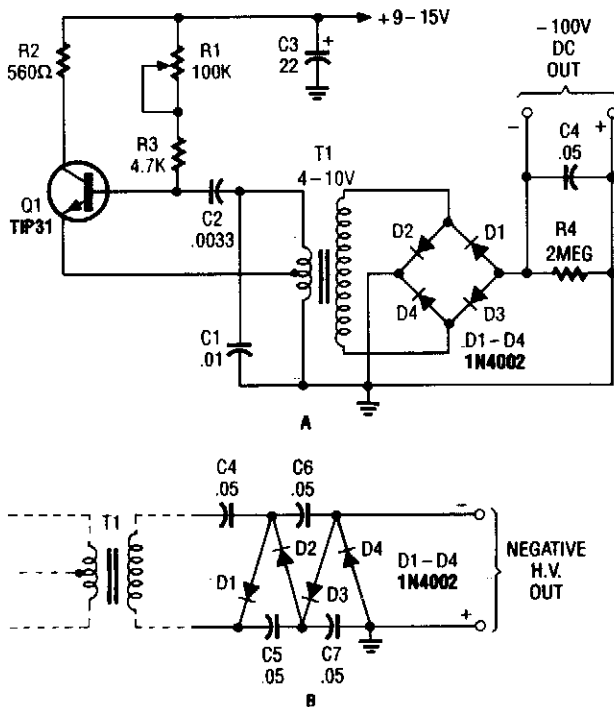


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FIG. 77-3

A Cockcroft-Walton voltage multiplier supplies the stepped voltage required for the dynodes of the PMT without the power-wasting voltage-divider resistor string that is traditionally used.

## NEGATIVE VOLTAGE SUPPLY

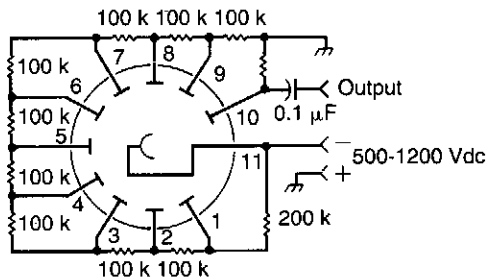


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FIG. 77-4

The combination Hartley oscillator/step-up transformer shown in A can generate significant negative high voltage, especially if the voltage output of the transformer is multiplied by the circuit.

## PHOTOMULTIPLIER CIRCUIT

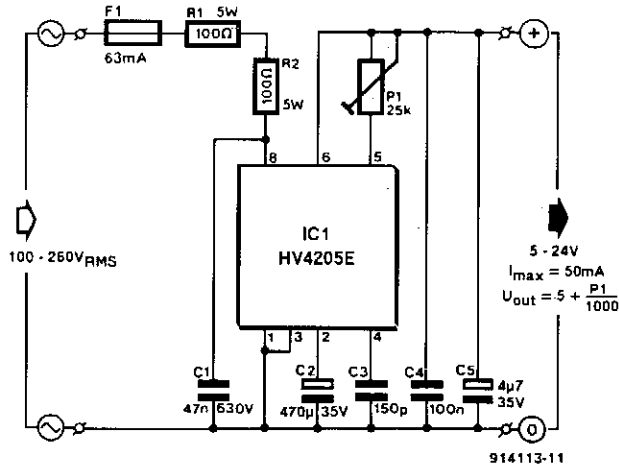


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FIG. 77-5

This circuit is typical of the way that a photomultiplier tube is used. The circuit shown is ac coupled, but if dc coupling is needed, the capacitor can be omitted and a suitable interfacing method used. A typical tube is the widely available 931/931A.

## SINGLE-CHIP dc SUPPLY FOR 120-TO 240-Vac OPERATION

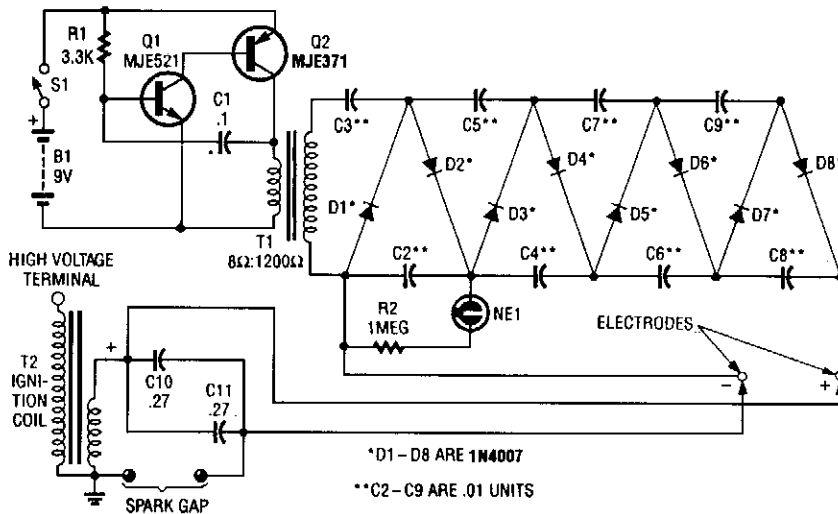


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FIG. 77-6

Direct derivation of 5 to 24 Vdc from ac mains, without a transformer is possible with this circuit. Note that a direct mains connection to the dc output exists. *Suitable safety precautions must be taken.*

## HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY



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FIG. 77-7

This circuit uses a transistor oscillator and a voltage multiplier to charge C10 and C11 to a high voltage. When the spark gap breaks down, T2 produces a high-voltage pulse via the capacitance discharge of C10 and C11 into its primary. T2 is an auto ignition coil.



## Power Supply Circuits—Low Voltage

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|   |                                       |
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| Tracking Double-Output Bipolar Supply     | 5-V to 3.3-V Switching Regulator      |
| Universal Laboratory Power Supply         | 24-V to 3.3-V Switching Regulator     |
| +5 V/+3.6 V from 4 AA Cells               | Laptop Computer Power Supply          |
| Inductorless Switching Regulator          | Subwoofer Amplifier Power Supply      |
| Single LTC Power Supply                   | Dual Voltage-Rectifier Circuit        |
| Configurable Power Supply                 | Dual Audio Amplifier Power Supply     |
| Combination Voltage and Current Regulator | Diodeless Rectifier                   |
| HV Power Supply with 9-to 15-Vdc Input    | Regulator Loss Cutter                 |
| Inductorless Power Supply Converter       | Synchronous Stepdown Switching        |
| Simple Negative Supply for                | Regulator with 90% Efficiency         |
| Low-Current Applications                  | ±5- to ±35-V Tracking Power Supply    |
| Inverting Power Supply                    | 8-V from 5-V Regulator                |
| Multivoltage Power Supply                 | +1.5-V Supply for ZN416E Circuits     |
| Current-Limiting Regulator                | Antique Radio dc Filament Supply      |
| Neon Lamp Driver for 5- to 15-V Supplies  | Inexpensive Isolation Transformer     |
| 13.8-Vdc 2-A Regulated Power Supply       | (Impromptu Setup)                     |
| 0- to 12-V, 1-A Variable Power Supply     | 5-V UPS                               |
| Voltage Doubler Supply                    | +5-V Supply                           |
| Adjustable 20-V Supply                    | Add 12-V Output to 5-V Buck Regulator |
| Switching Regulator Converter             | Telecom Converter -48 V to +5 V @ 1 A |



# TRACKING DOUBLE-OUTPUT BIPOLAR SUPPLY

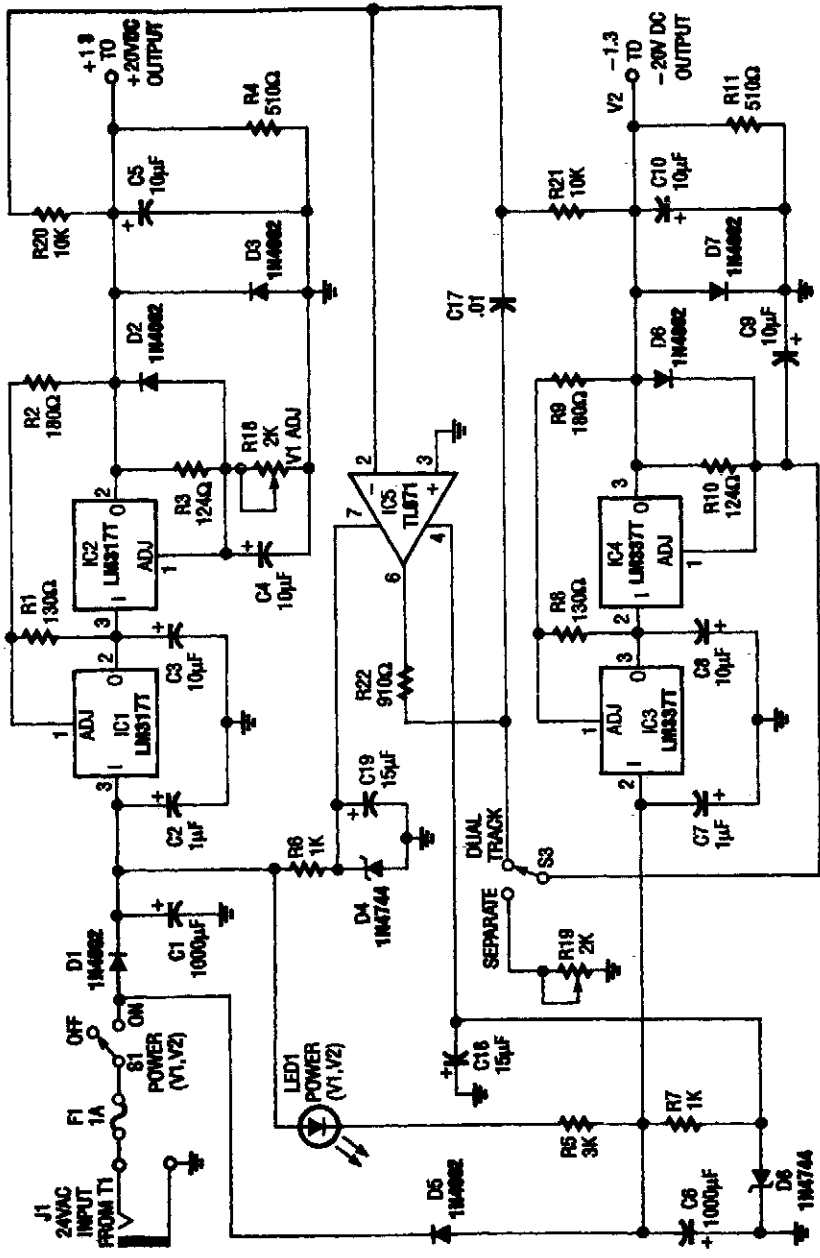
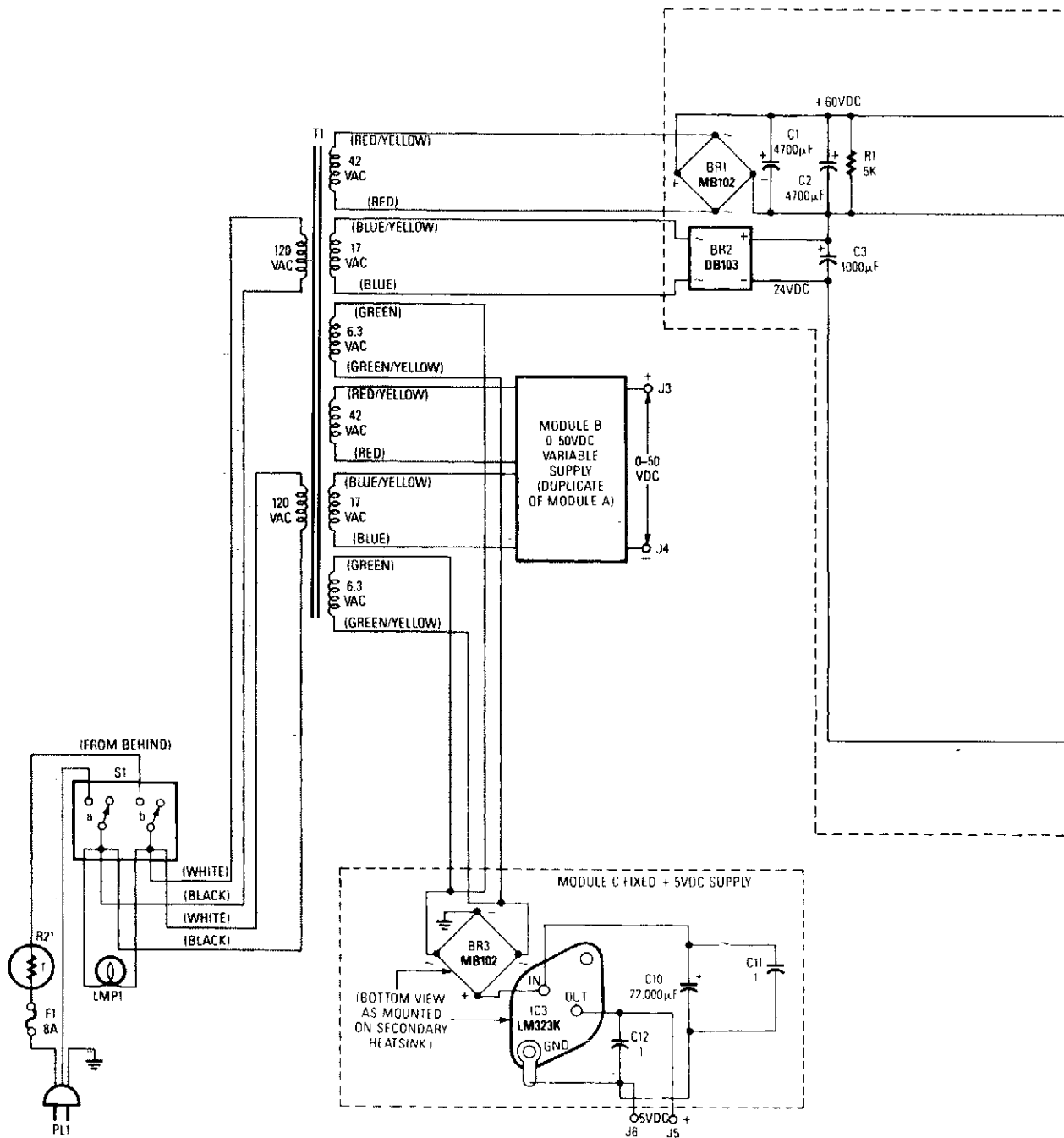


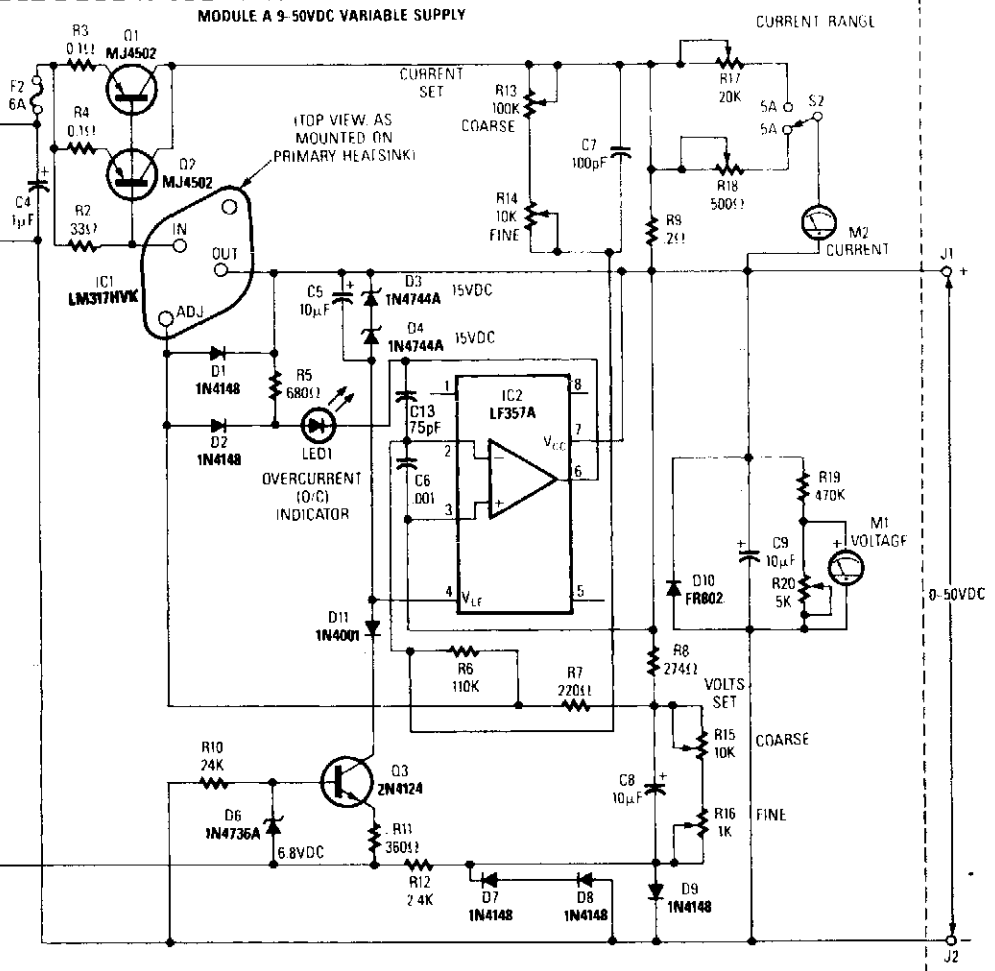
FIG. 78-1

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This circuit is useful for a bench supply in the lab. Separate or tracking operation is possible. The regulators should be properly heatsinked. T1 is a 24-Vac wall transformer of suitable current capacity.

# UNIVERSAL LABORATORY POWER SUPPLY





The value of the design lies in the use of IC1, an LM317HVK adjustable series-pass voltage regulator, for broad-range performance remainder supplies voltage-setting and current-limiting functions. The input to IC1 comes from the output of BR1, which is filtered by C1 and C2 to about +60 Vdc, and the input for current-sense comparator IC2 comes from BR2, which also acts as a negative bias supply for regulation down to ground. The output voltage is determined by:

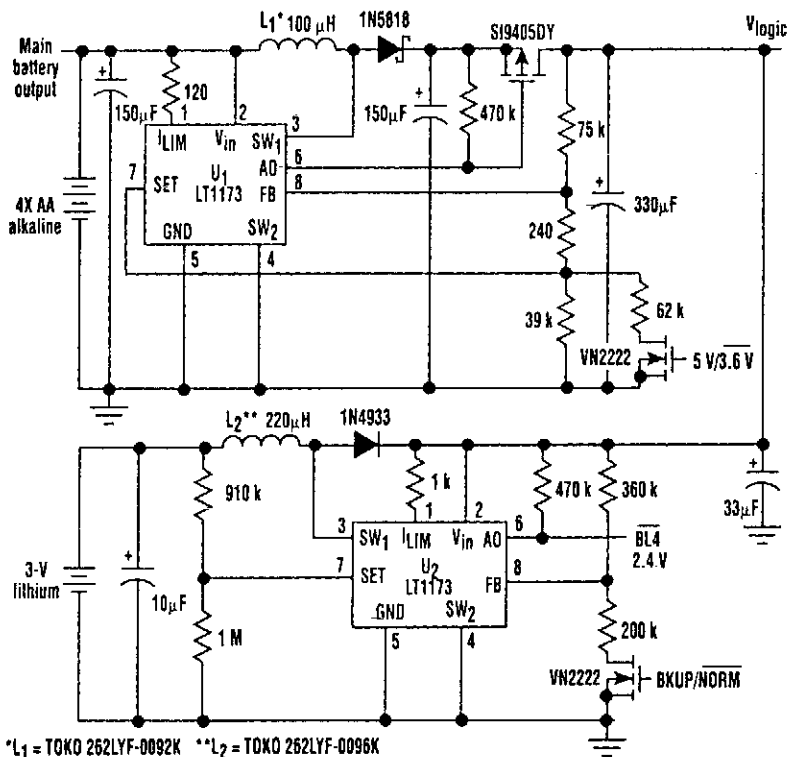
$$(V_{OUT} - 1.25 + 1.3)/(R_{15} + R_{16}) = 1.25/R_8.$$

Thus, the maximum value from each variable supply board is:

$$V_{OUT} = (1.25/R_8) \times (R_{15} + R_{16}) = 50.18 \text{ Vdc}.$$

**FIG. 78-2**

## +5 V/+3.6 V FROM 4 AA CELLS



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FIG. 78-3

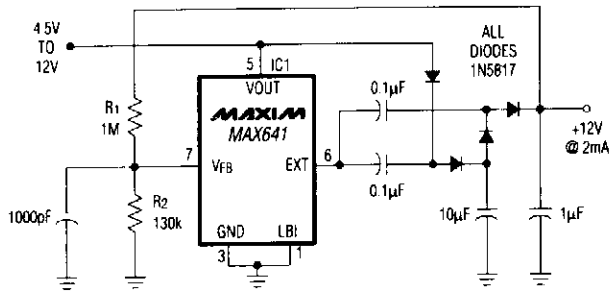
With this unique logic-power-converter design (see the figure), a switchable 3.6 or 5 V at 200 mA can be attained by using four AA cells. The supply incorporates a MOSFET switch that can switch to a lithium backup battery, providing a 3.4-V output when the main battery is dead or removed. The supply consumes only 380  $\mu\text{A}$  under no-load conditions.

The circuit operates in a somewhat novel mode as a step-up/step-down converter. When the cells are fresh (from about 6 V to about 5.2 V), the LT1173's gain block drives the p-channel MOSFET, which turns the circuit into a linear voltage regulator. This might seem inefficient, but the batteries are quick to drop from 6 V to 5 V. With a 5-V input, the efficiency (for the 3.6-V output) is 3.6/5 or 72%, which is reasonable. As the battery-pack drops in voltage, efficiency increases, reaching greater than 90% with a 4.2-V input.

At a point below a 4-V input, the circuit switches to step-up mode. This mode squeezes the batteries for all of their available energy. In this case, efficiency runs between 83% at approximately a 4-V input to 73% at a 2.5-V input.

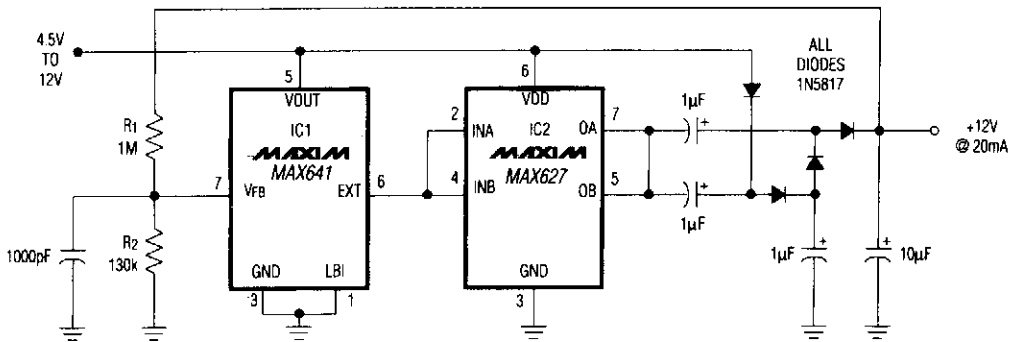
The supply can deliver 200 mA over its entire operational range. In its linear mode of operation, the supply has no current spikes that, because of the fairly high internal resistance of the alkaline cells, can reduce battery life. The topology delivers over 9.3 hours of 3.6-V 200-mA output power, compared to just 7 hours using the traditional flyback topology that is used in other designs.

## INDUCTORLESS SWITCHING REGULATOR



*Substituting the diode-capacitor network shown for an inductor allows this switching-regulator IC to deliver 2mA at comparable line and load regulation, with somewhat reduced efficiency.*

**A**



*Introducing an MOS driver (IC<sub>2</sub>) enables the Figure 1 circuit to deliver as much as 20mA.*

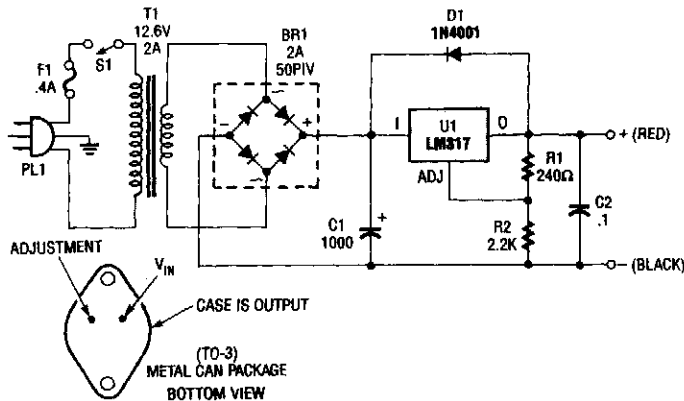
**B**

In conventional applications, switching-regulator ICs regulate  $V_{OUT}$  by controlling the current through an external inductor. The IC in A, however, driving a diode-capacitor network in place of the inductor, offers comparable performance for small loads. The network can double, triple, or quadruple the input voltage.

Feedback from the R1/R2 voltage divider enables IC1 to set the regulated-output level. (As shown, the circuit derives 12 V from a 5- to 12-V input and provides as much as 2 mA of output current.) Adding a noninverting MOS driver (B) boosts the available output current to 20 mA. Substituting the diode-capacitor network shown for an inductor allows this switching-regulator IC to deliver 2 mA at comparable line and load regulation, with somewhat reduced efficiency.



## CONFIGURABLE POWER SUPPLY



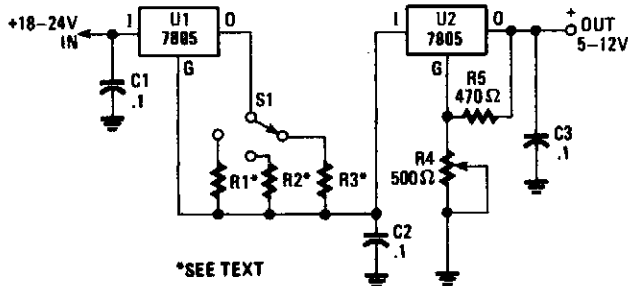
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FIG. 78-6

The adjustable supply can easily be reconfigured by altering the value of  $V_2$  and beefing up some other components, as is necessary.

The output voltage is given by  $V_{OUT} = 1.25 (1 + R_2/R_1)$ .  $R_2$  can be changed, as is necessary.

## COMBINATION VOLTAGE AND CURRENT REGULATOR



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FIG. 78-7

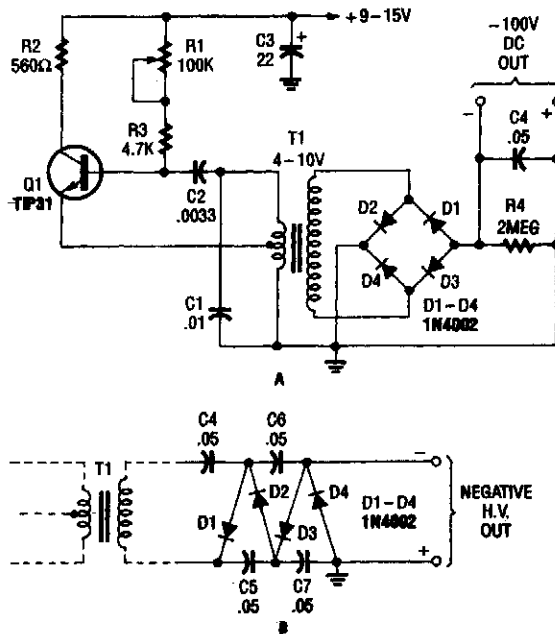
This voltage-regulator/current-limiter combination can be made from two 7805 regulators as shown.  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  should be selected for a 5-V drop at the maximum allowable current limit.  $S_1$  selects one of the three current values. Do not forget that  $U_1$  requires 5 mA to operate and this means that the minimum current limit setting should be 10 mA or more ( $R_1 = 1.25 \text{ k}\Omega$ ). Resistor values are as follows:

$$R_x \text{ (k}\Omega\text{)} = \frac{5 \text{ volts}}{\text{(current limit mA} - 5 \text{ mA)}}$$

For 100 mA,

$$R_x = \frac{5}{100-5} = \frac{5}{95} \text{ k}\Omega \text{ or } 52.5 \Omega$$

## HV POWER SUPPLY WITH 9-TO 15-Vdc INPUT

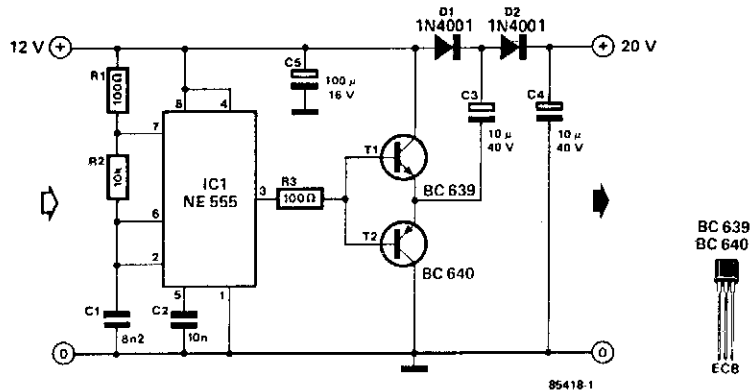


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FIG. 78-8

The combination Hartley oscillator/step-up transformer shown in A can generate significant negative high voltage, especially if the voltage output of the transformer is multiplied by the circuit in B.

## INDUCTORLESS POWER SUPPLY CONVERTER



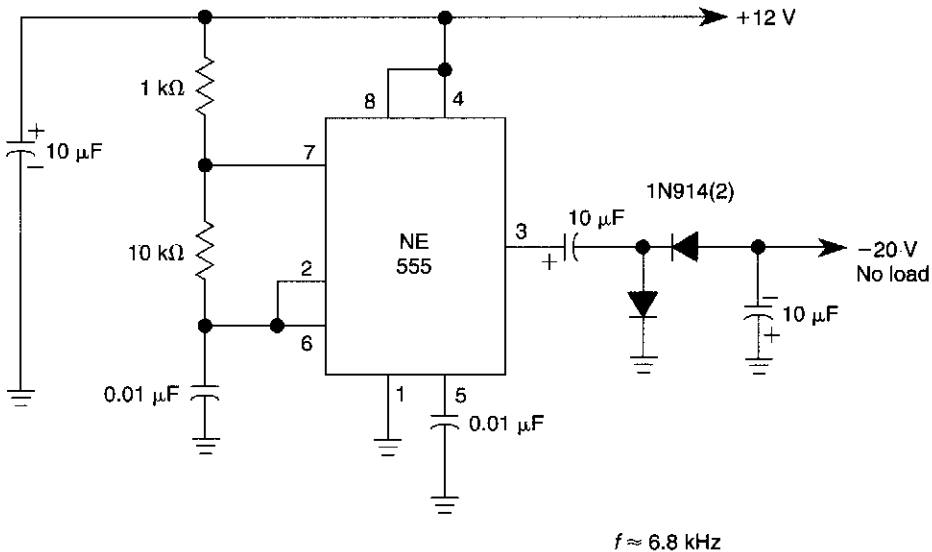
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FIG. 78-9

Using a 555 timer and voltage doubler, this circuit will supply  $\geq 50$ mA at 20 Vdc. T1 and T2 act as power amplifiers to drive the voltage doubler. Frequency of operation is approximately 8.5 kHz.



## SIMPLE NEGATIVE SUPPLY FOR LOW-CURRENT APPLICATIONS

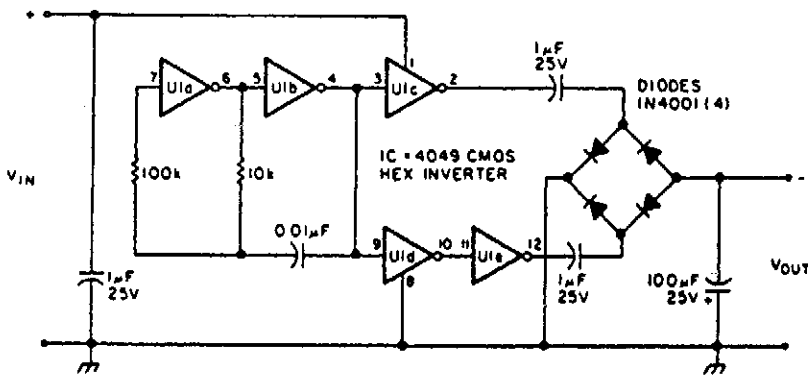


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FIG. 78-10

This dc negative-voltage generator based on the 555 produces a negative output voltage equal to approximately 2x the dc supply voltage.

## INVERTING POWER SUPPLY

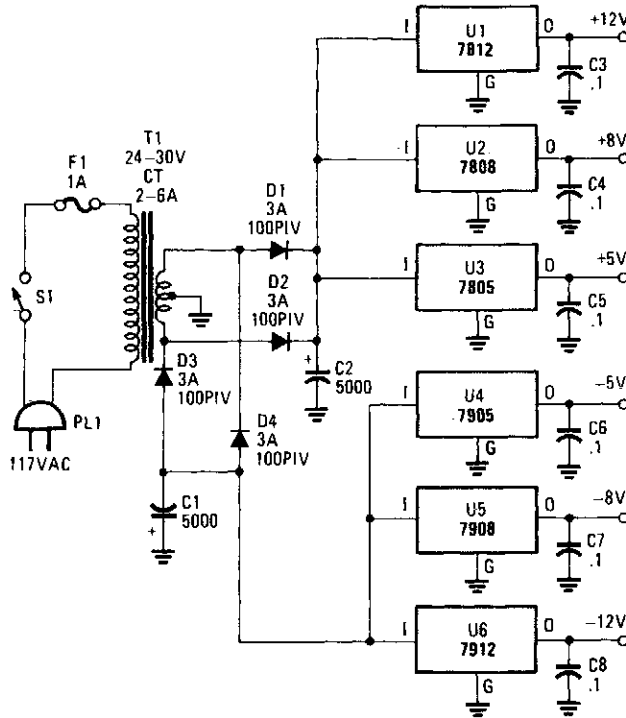


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FIG. 78-11

This circuit will provide a negative dc voltage that is approximately equal to the positive input voltage at no load and about 3 V less at 10 mA load.  $V_{IN}$  is from +5 to +15 Vdc. Do not exceed 15 V or U1 might be damaged.

## MULTIVOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY

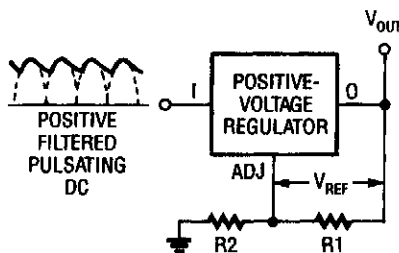


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FIG. 78-12

This dual-polarity, multivoltage power supply can be built for a very small investment. The circuit is built around 78XX and 79XX series 1-A voltage regulators, four 3-A diodes, a 24-30-V 2-6-A transformer, and eight filter capacitors.

## CURRENT-LIMITING REGULATOR

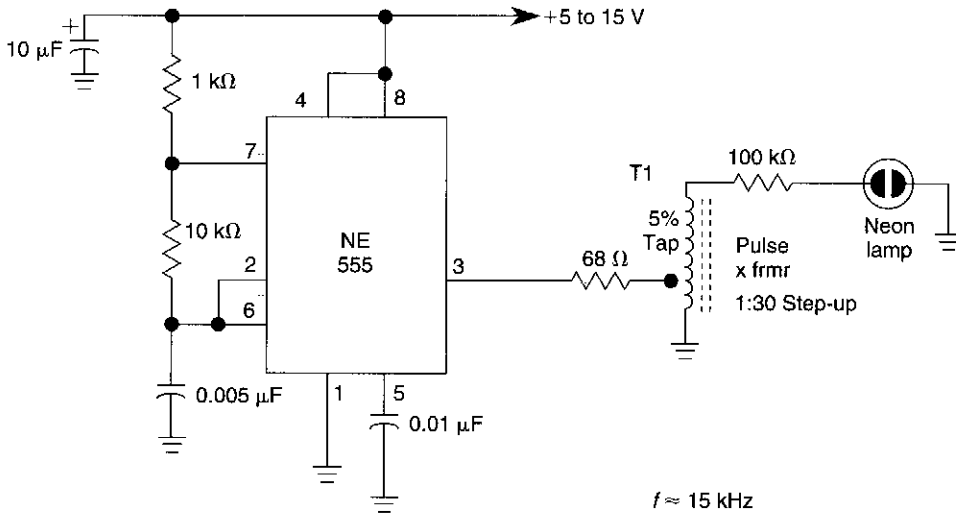


Floating adjustable regulators can be used as current limiters. Resistor R1 programs the current flowing through R2.

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FIG. 78-13

## NEON LAMP DRIVER FOR 5- TO 15-V SUPPLIES

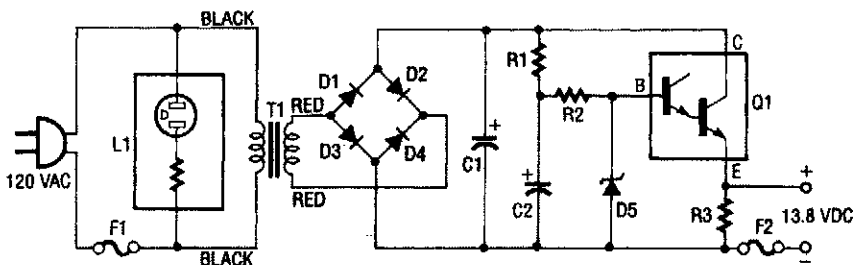


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FIG. 78-14

This neon-lamp driver based on the 555 T1 can be wound on an old TV flyback transformer core.

## 13.8-Vdc 2-A REGULATED POWER SUPPLY

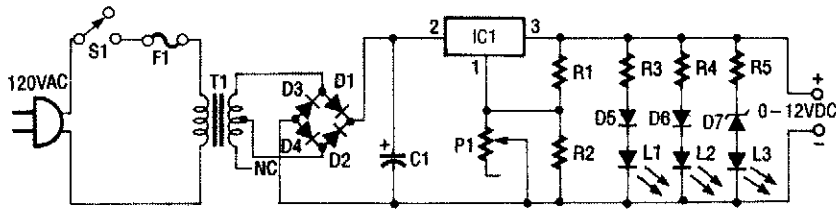


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FIG. 78-15

This regulated power supply consists of step-down transformer T1, a full-wave rectifier bridge (D1 through D4), and a filtering regulator circuit made up of C1, C2, R1, R2, R3, D5, and Q1. When 120 Vac is provided, the neon-lamp assembly L1 lights up, and transformer T1 changes 120 Vac to about 28 Vac. The rectifier bridge, D1 through D4, rectifies the ac into pulsating dc, which is then filtered by C1. Capacitor C1 acts as a storage capacitor. Zener diode D5 keeps the voltage constant across the base of Darlington regulator Q1, causing constant voltage across resistor R3 and the (+) and (-) output terminals, where the load is connected. Fuse F2 is used to open ("blow"), if the current through the output terminals is too high. Make sure to take proper precautions when using projects powered by 120 Vac.

## 0- TO 12-V, 1-A VARIABLE POWER SUPPLY



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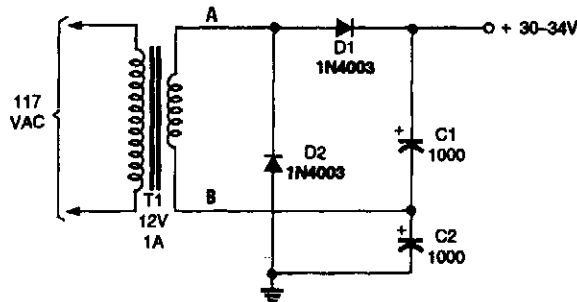
FIG. 78-16

This 0- to 12-Vdc variable power supply uses an IC voltage regulator and a heavy-duty transformer to provide a reliable dc power supply. Looking at the schematic shown, you can see that transformer T1 has a 120-V primary and a 28-V secondary.

Filtered dc is fed to the input (pin 2) of the LM317T voltage regulator, IC, which keeps the voltage at its output constant (pin 3) regardless (within limitations) of the input voltage. Pin 1 of the LM317T is the adjustment pin. Varying the voltage on pin 1 (via P1) varies the output voltage.

Diodes D5 through D7 and LEDs L1 through L3 give an approximate indication of the output voltage. Each LED/diode path has a limiting resistor to limit the current to a level that is safe for the LED.

## VOLTAGE DOUBLER SUPPLY

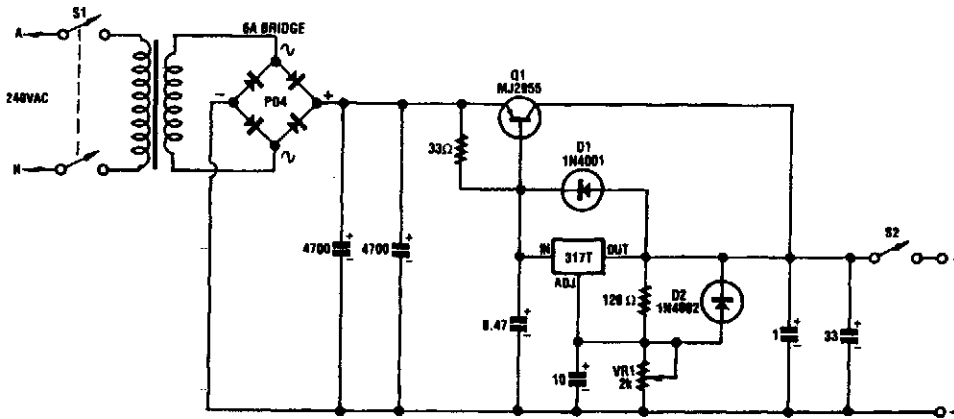


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FIG. 78-17

The voltage doubler is built around a pair of diodes (D1 and D2) and a pair of capacitors (C1 and C2) that are fed from, in this case, a 12-V, 1-A step-down transformer (T1).

## ADJUSTABLE 20-V SUPPLY



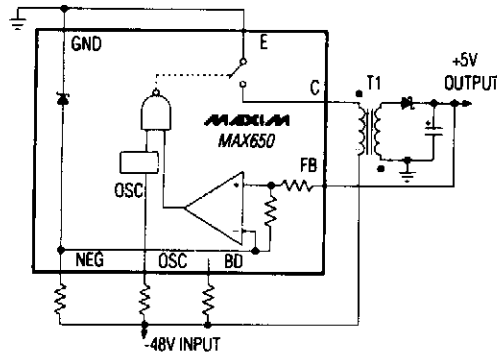
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FIG. 78-18

This circuit can deliver 3 A or more and a maximum dc voltage of a little over 20 V. It is designed around the readily available LM317T adjustable 3-terminal regulator and has a pnp power transistor to boost the current output.

The transformer has an 18-V secondary rated at 6 A; this feeds to bridge rectifier and two 4700- $\mu$ F capacitors to yield around 25 Vdc. This voltage is fed to the emitter of the MJ2955 transistor and to the input of the LM317 via a 33- $\Omega$  resistor.

## SWITCHING REGULATOR CONVERTER

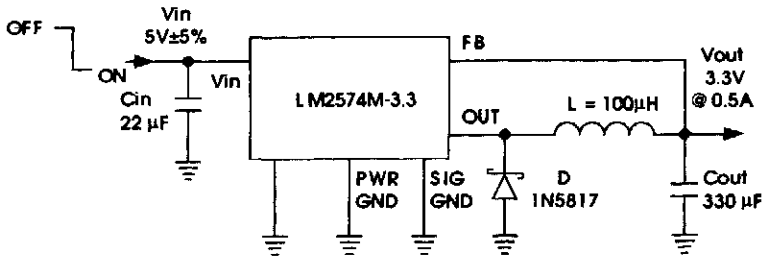


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FIG. 78-19

The Max650 switching regulator produces a regulated 5 V from large negative voltages, such as the -48 V found on telephone lines. The resulting power supply operates with several external components, including a transformer, and it delivers 250 mA. The device includes a 140-V 250-mA pnp transistor, short-circuit protection, and all necessary control circuitry.

## 5-V TO 3.3-V SWITCHING REGULATOR



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR, LINEAR EDGE

FIG. 78-20

A National Semiconductor LM2574 is used to derive 3.3 V at 0.5 A from a 5-V logic bus. The duty cycle is:

$$\frac{V_{OUT} + V_D - V_{IND}}{V_{IN} - V_{SAT} + V_D - 2 V_{IND}}$$

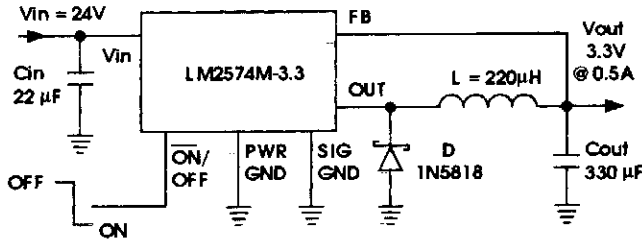
$V_D$  = diode drop (0.39)

$V_{IND}$  = inductor dc drop

$V_{SAT}$  = saturation voltage of LM2574 (0.9 V typical)

This circuit should be useful to derive 3.3 V for logic devices from existing +5-V buses.

## 24-V TO 3.3-V SWITCHING REGULATOR



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR, LINEAR EDGE

FIG. 78-21

The National Semiconductor LM2574 delivers 3.3 V out at 0.5 A from a 24-V source. The duty cycle is:

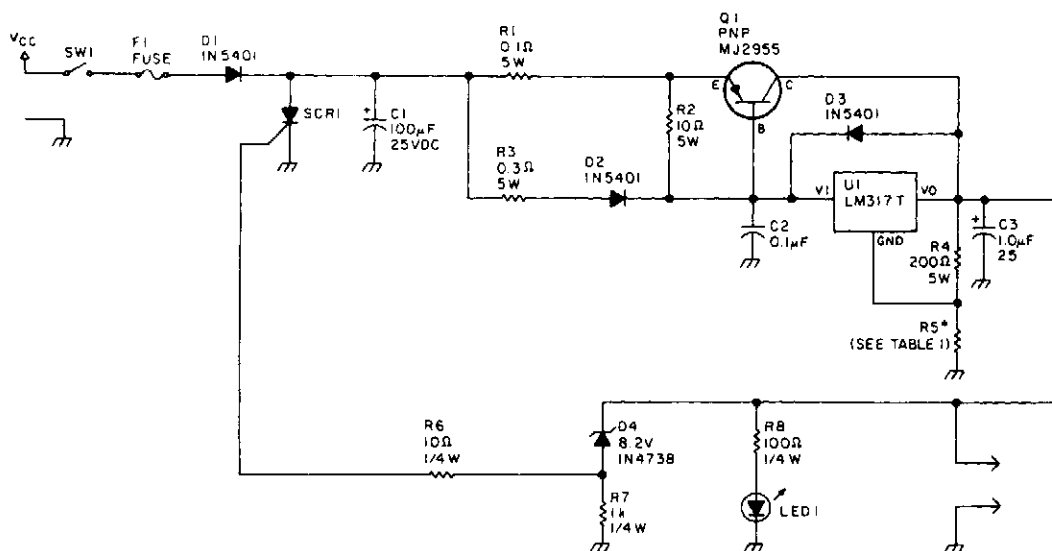
$$\frac{V_{OUT} + V_D - V_{IND}}{V_{IN} - V_{SAT} + V_D - 2 V_{IND}}$$

$V_D$  = diode drop (0.39)

$V_{IND}$  = inductor dc drop

$V_{SAT}$  = saturation voltage of LM2574 (0.9 V typical)

## LAPTOP COMPUTER POWER SUPPLY



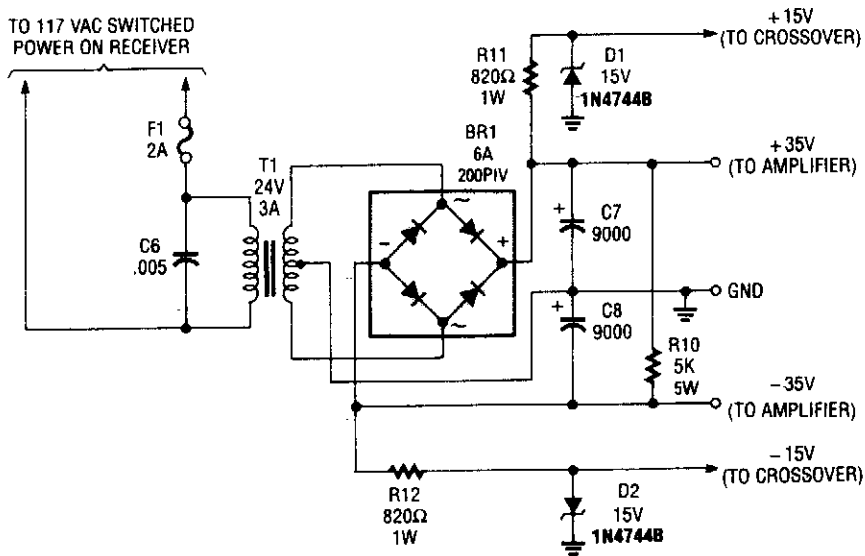
| R5 Resistor Value | Voltage Out |
|-------------------|-------------|
| 750Ω              | 5V          |
| 910Ω              | 6V          |
| 1.2K              | 8V          |
| 1.5K              | 9V          |
| 1.8K              | 10V         |
| 2.0K              | 12V         |
| 2.7K              | 15V         |
| 3.3K              | 18V         |
| 3.6K              | 20V         |
| 4.3K              | 24V         |

Note: Any output voltage value greater than 10V requires a higher input voltage than 13.6V. In addition capacitor working voltage ratings will have to be increased accordingly. Allow a minimum of 2.5 times the voltage expected to appear across the capacitor as a standard for the working voltage.

Table 1. Resistor value/voltage matchup.

A laptop computer supply that has 9-V output, crowbar overvoltage protection, and operates from a 12-V supply is shown above. The supply voltage should be at least 3.6 V above the expected output voltage. Q1 should be heatsinked appropriately. R5 should have a value of 1.5 kΩ for 9-V output. Table 1 gives values for other voltages.

## SUBWOOFER AMPLIFIER POWER SUPPLY

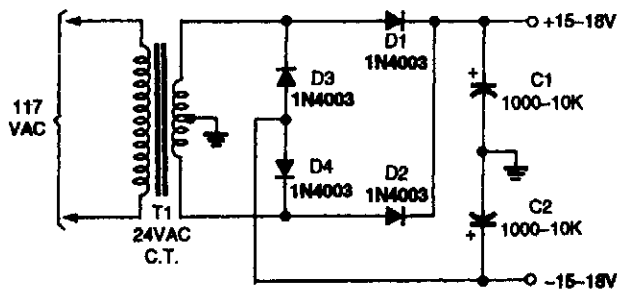


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FIG. 78-23

Although intended to power a 100-W low-frequency amplifier, this power supply should handle many mono or stereo amplifiers in the medium power range that require  $\pm 30$  to 35 V.

## DUAL VOLTAGE-RECTIFIER CIRCUIT



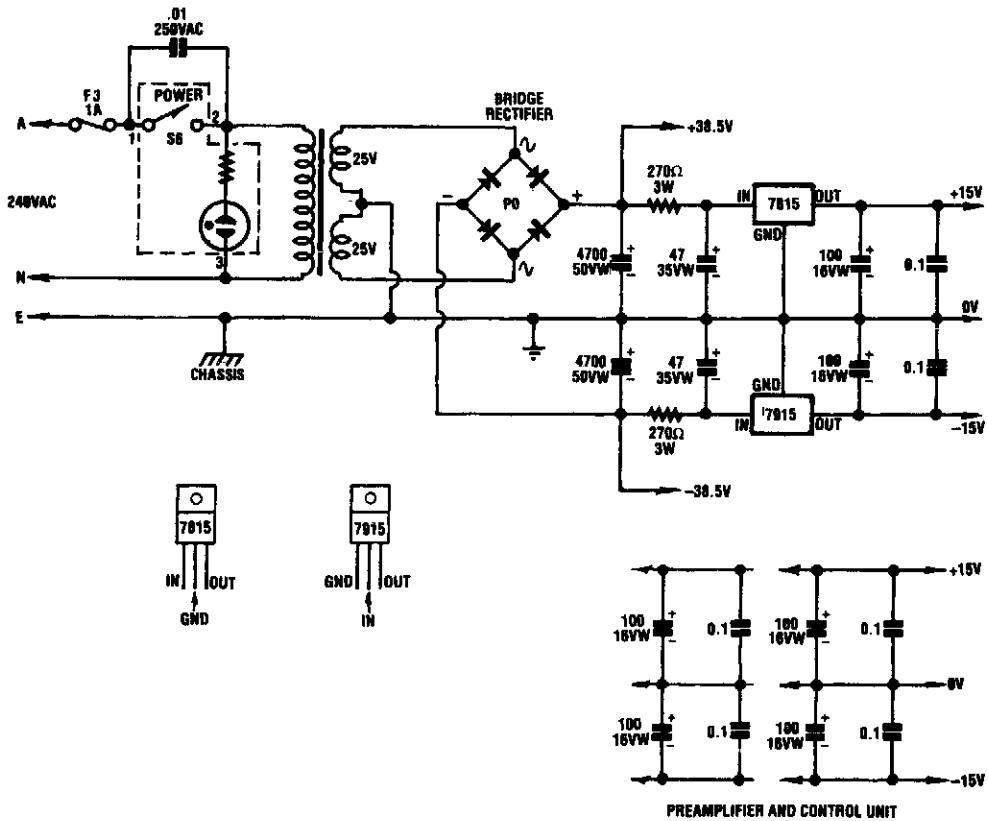
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FIG. 78-24

This stepped-up dual voltage supply provides  $\pm 15$  to  $\pm 18$  V unregulated.



## DUAL AUDIO AMPLIFIER POWER SUPPLY

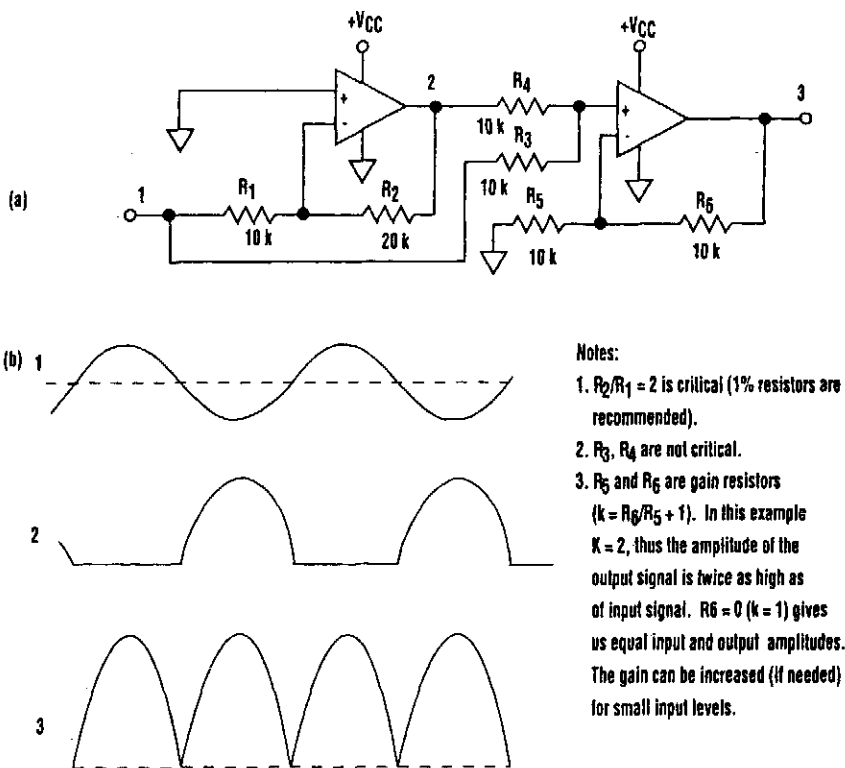


SILICON CHIP

FIG. 78-25

A dual audio amplifier that will deliver 50 W per channel is shown in the schematic. It includes preamp and tone controls, and also includes a headphone amplifier. The circuit depicts the power supply that supplies  $\pm 38.5$  V and  $\pm 15$  V regulated for the dual 50 watt.

## DIODELESS RECTIFIER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 78-26

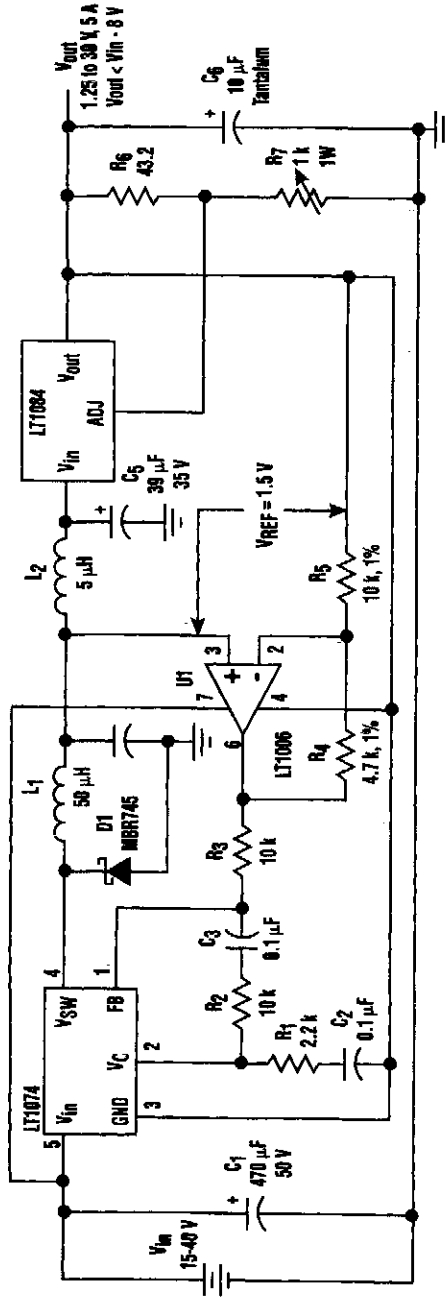
It's common knowledge that when working with single-supply op amps, implementing simple functions in a bipolar signal environment can be difficult. Sometimes additional op amps and other electronic components are required.

Taking that into consideration, can any advantage be attained from this mode? The answer lies in this simple circuit (A). Requiring no diodes, the circuit is a high-precision full-wave rectifier with a high-frequency limitation equalling that of the op amps themselves. Look at the circuit's timing diagram (B) to see the principle of operation.

The first amplifier rectifies negative input levels with an inverting gain of 2 and turns positive levels to zero. The second amp, a noninverting summing amplifier, adds the inverted negative signal from the first amplifier to the original input signal. The net result is the traditional waveform produced by full-wave rectification.

In spite of the limitation on the input signal amplitude (it must be less than  $V_{CC}/2$ ), this circuit can be useful in a variety of setups.

## REGULATOR LOSS CUTTER



$I_{out} < 1.5$  A: LT1076, LT1886  
 $I_{out} < 5$  A: LT1074, LT1084

$L_1$  = Coiltronics CTX50-5-32  
 $L_2$  = Coiltronics CTX5-5-FR

$C_1$  = Nichicon UPL1H471MRH  
 $C_2$  = Nichicon UPL1H331MRH  
 $C_3$  = Nichicon UPL1V38MEH

## ELECTRONIC DESIGN

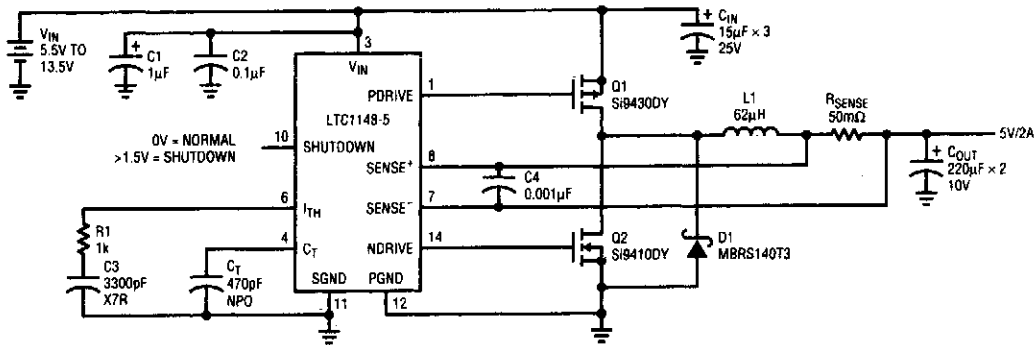
FIG. 78-27

Large input-to-output voltage differentials, caused by wide input voltage variations, reduce a linear regulator's efficiency and increase its power dissipation. A switching preregulator can reduce this power dissipation by minimizing the voltage drop across an adjustable linear regulator to a constant 1.5-V value.

The circuit operates the LT1084 at slightly above its dropout voltage. To minimize power dissipation, a low-dropout linear regulator was chosen. The LT1084 functions as a conventional adjustable linear regulator with an output voltage that can be varied from 1.25 to 30 V.

Without the preregulator (for a 40-V input and a 5-V output at 5 A), it would be virtually impossible to find a heatsink large enough to dissipate enough energy to keep the linear-regulator junction temperature below its maximum value. With the preregulator technique, however, the linear regulator will dissipate only 7.5 W under worst-case loading conditions for the entire input-voltage range of 15 to 40 V. Even under a short-circuit fault condition, the 1.5-V drop across the LT1084 is maintained.

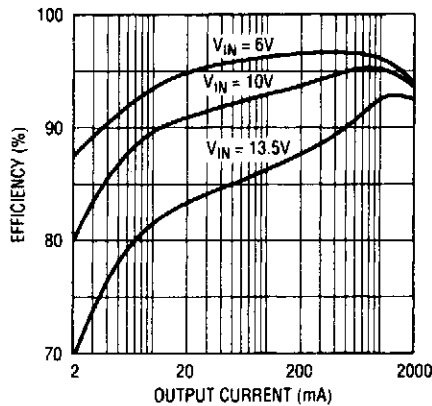
# SYNCHRONOUS STEPDOWN SWITCHING REGULATOR WITH 90% EFFICIENCY



C1(TA)  
 $C_{IN}$  AVX (TA) TAJD156K025RLR, ESR = 0.3 $\Omega$ ,  $I_{RMS}$  = 0.707A  
 $C_{OUT}$  AVX (TA) TAJE227K010RLR, ESR = 0.08 $\Omega$ ,  $I_{RMS}$  = 1.4A  
 Q1 SILICONIX PMOS, BVDS = 20V,  $R_{DS(on)}$  = 0.1 $\Omega$ ,  $C_{RSS}$  = 400pF,  $Q_G$  = 50nC  
 Q2 SILICONIX NMOS, BVDS = 30V,  $R_{DS(on)}$  = 0.05 $\Omega$ ,  $C_{RSS}$  = 160pF,  $Q_G$  = 30nC

D1 MOTOROLA SCHOTTKY, VBR = 40V  
 $R_{SENSE}$  IRC LR2512-01-R050J  $P_D$  = 1W  
 L1 COILTRONICS CTX62-2-MP, DCR = 0.035 $\Omega$ , MPP CORE (THROUGH HOLE)  
 L1-1 COILTRONICS CTX02-11715-2, DCR = 0.11 $\Omega$ , FERRITE CORE (SURFACE MOUNT)  
 ALL OTHER CAPACITORS ARE CERAMIC

**A** LTC1148 (5.5V-13.5V to 5V/2A) surface mount



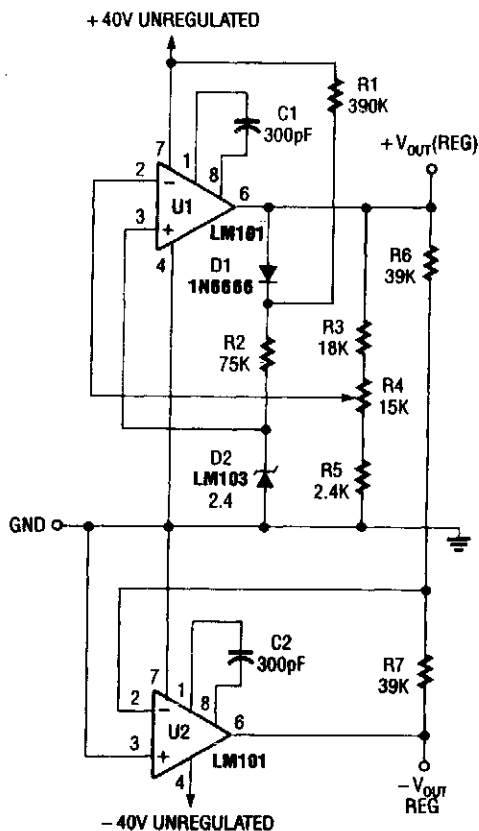
**B** LTC 1148-5: 5.5V to 13.5V efficiency

## LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**FIG. 78-28**

A shows a typical LTC1148 surface-mount application providing 5 V at 2 A from an input voltage of 5.5 V to 13.5 V. The operating efficiency, shown in B, peaks at 97% and exceeds 90% from 10 mA to 2 A with a 10-V input. Q1 and Q2 comprise the main switch and synchronous switch, respectively, and inductor current is measured via the voltage drop across the current shunt.  $R_{SENSE}$  is the key component used to set the output current capability according to the formula  $I_{OUT} = 100 \text{ mV}/R_{SENSE}$ . The advantages of current control include excellent line and load transient rejection, inherent short-circuit protection and controlled startup currents. Peak inductor current is limited to  $150 \text{ mV}/R_{SENSE}$  or 3 A for the circuit in A.

## ±5- TO ±35-V TRACKING POWER SUPPLY



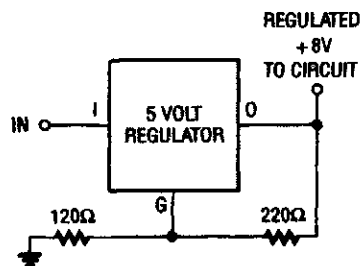
OUTPUT VOLTAGE IS VARIABLE FROM  $\pm 5\text{V}$  TO  $\pm 35\text{V}$ .  
NEGATIVE OUTPUT TRACKS POSITIVE OUTPUT TO  
WITHIN THE RATIO OF  $R_6$  TO  $R_7$ .

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FIG. 78-29

This supply is designed to operate from a  $\pm 40\text{-V}$  nominal unregulated power source (bridge rectifier, etc.).

## 8-V FROM 5-V REGULATOR

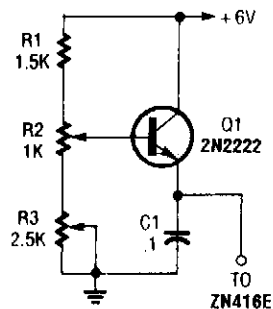


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 78-30

If you have trouble locating an 8-V regulator, although they are commonly available, a 5-V unit can replace it by connecting the regulator, as is shown here.

## +1.5-V SUPPLY FOR ZN416E CIRCUITS

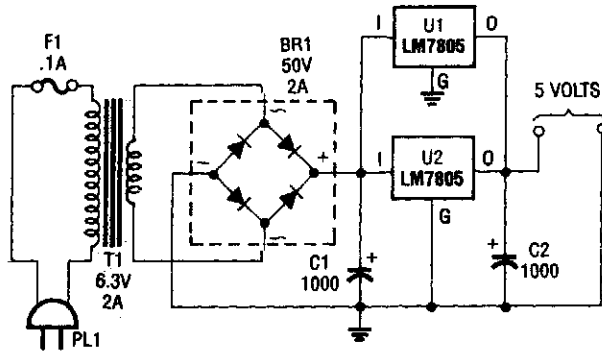


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 78-31

This regulator can be used with a +6-V source to supply ZN416E low-voltage TRF radio-receiver IC the necessary +1.5 V.  $R_3$  sets output voltage.

## ANTIQUe RADIO dc FILAMENT SUPPLY

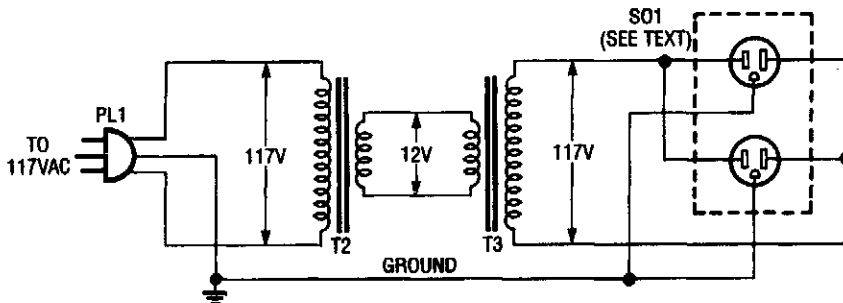


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 78-32

This dc supply is great for operating battery-powered antique radios, because it is designed to prevent harming the tube filaments. The circuit is useful for powering filaments of 00-A, 01-A, 112A, and 71A tubes, which require 5V at 250 mA.

## INEXPENSIVE ISOLATION TRANSFORMER (IMPROMPTU SETUP)

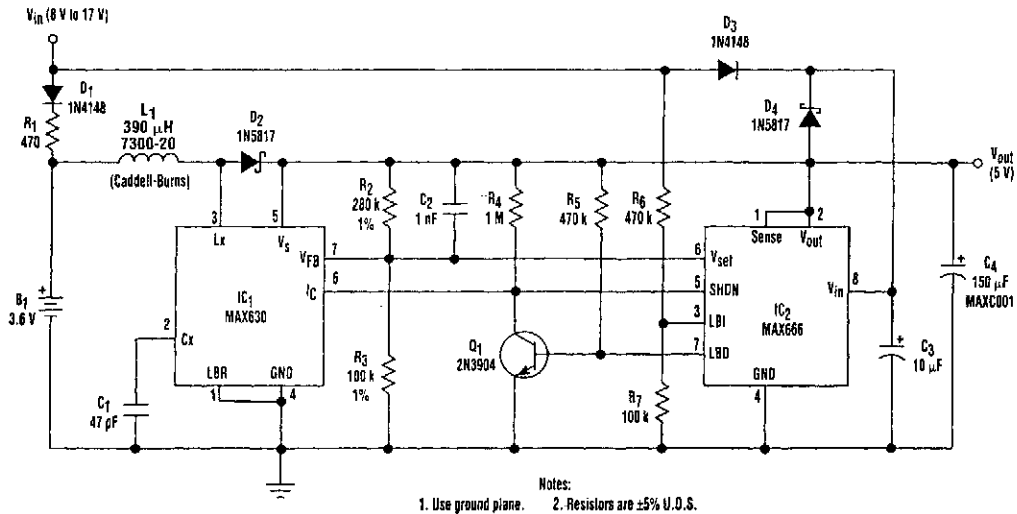


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FIG. 78-33

Using two 12-V filament or power transformers, an impromptu isolation transformer can be made for low-power (under 50 W) use in testing or servicing. S01 is an ordinary, duplex ac receptacle. Use heavy-wire connections between the 12-V windings because several amperes can flow.

## 5-V UPS



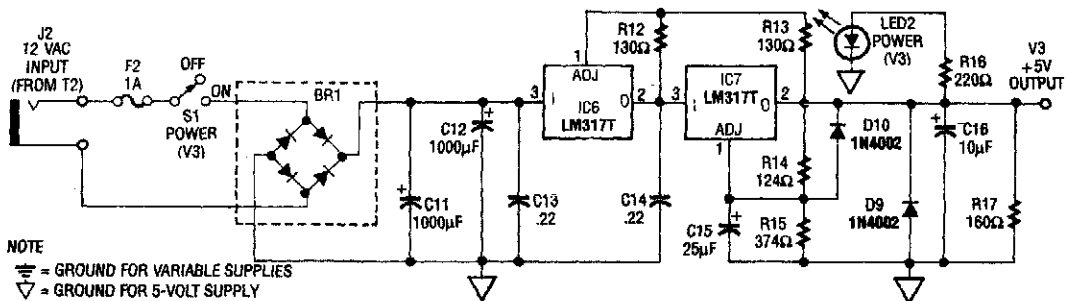
### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**FIG. 78-34**

A 9-V wall adapter supplies  $V_{IN}$ . IC2 contains a low-battery detector circuit that senses  $V_{IN}$  by means of R6 and R7. The detector output (pin 7) drives an inverter (Q1), which in turn drives the shut-down inputs  $I_C$  of IC1 and SHDN of IC2. These inputs have opposite-polarity active levels. The common feedback resistors, R2 and R3 enable both regulators to sense the output voltage,  $V_{OUT}$ .

When IC2 shuts down, its output turns off. However, when IC1 shuts down, the whole chip assumes a low-power state and draws under 1  $\mu$ A. L1, D2, C1, C2, R2, and R3 are part of the 250-mW switching regulator. Diodes D3 and D4 wire-OR the power connection to IC2, and C3 improves the linear regulator's load regulation.

## +5-V SUPPLY

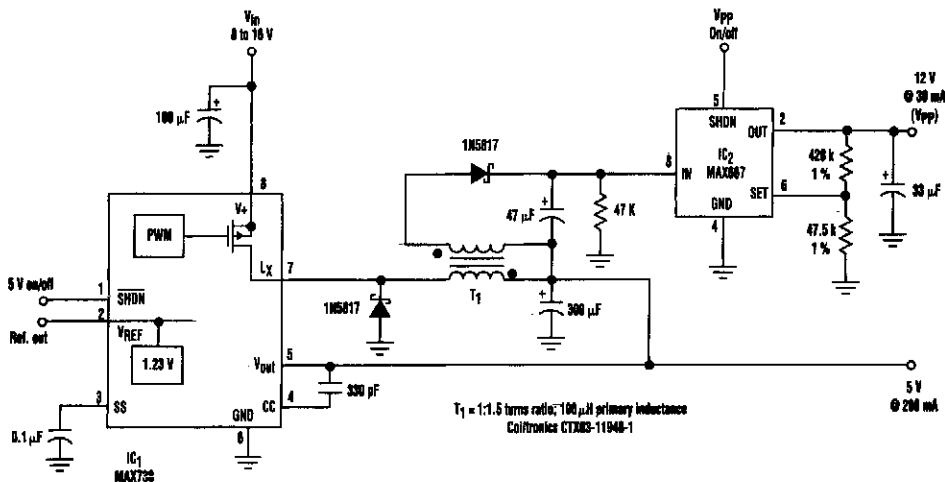


### ELECTRONICS NOW

**FIG. 78-35**

The power supply shown is designed to operate from a wall transformer. This circuit can be used in conjunction with a variable supply to test circuits in the lab, etc. T2 is a 12-V wall transformer.

## ADD 12-V OUTPUT TO 5-V BUCK REGULATOR

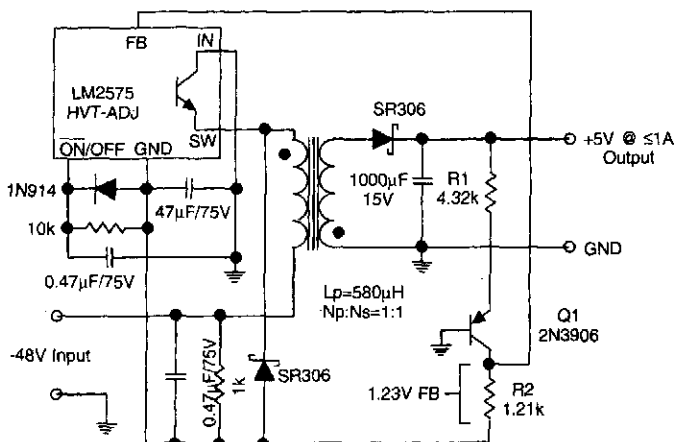


**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

**FIG. 78-36**

By adding a flyback winding to a buck-regulator switching converter (see the figure), which is essentially a 5-V supply with a 200-mA output capability, a 12-V output ( $V_{pp}$ ) can be produced. The flyback winding on the main inductor (forming transformer  $T_1$ ) enables an additional low-dropout linear regulator ( $IC_2$ ) to create the 12-V output voltage that's needed to program EEPROMs. The required input voltage is 8 to 16 V.

## TELECOM CONVERTER -48 V TO +5 V @ 1 A



**NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR, LINEAR EDGE**

**FIG. 78-37**

The circuit supplies 1 A at +5 V from the -48-V supply commonly used in telephone equipment. The National Semiconductor LM2575 is a simple switching regulator.



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## Probe Circuits

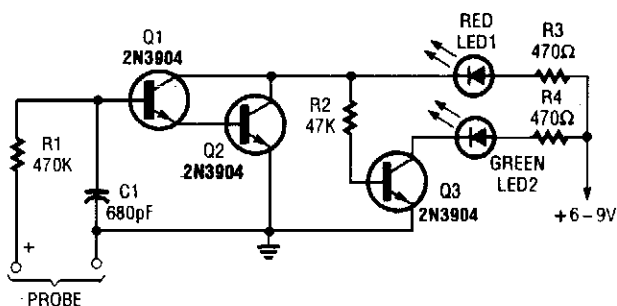
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Simple Voltage Probe  
ac Voltage Probe

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## SIMPLE VOLTAGE PROBE



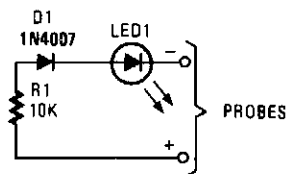
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 79-1

This simple voltage probe can be helpful in checking and troubleshooting solid-state circuitry.

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## ac VOLTAGE PROBE



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FIG. 79-2

This simple probe can save your life by warning you of live circuitry. It's ideal for times when more than one person is working on a device.

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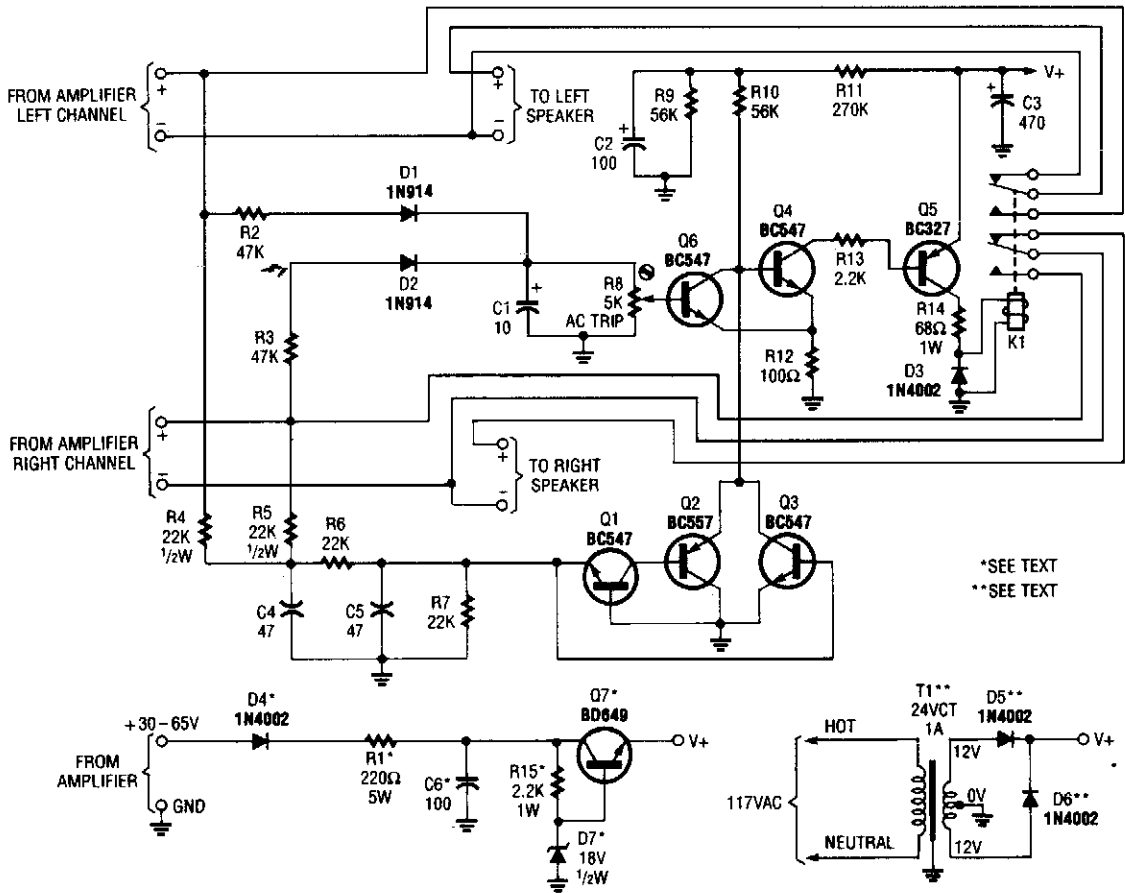
## Protection Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|                               |                                       |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Speaker Protector             | Overvoltage Protection Circuit        |
| Electronic Fuse               | Timed Safety Circuit                  |
| Safety Circuit                | Modem/Fax Protector for Two Computers |
| Overload Indicator            | Ear Protector                         |
| Relay Fuse for Power Supplies | Loudspeaker Protector                 |
| Speaker Protector             | Simple Safety Circuit                 |
| Modem Protector               |                                       |

## SPEAKER PROTECTOR

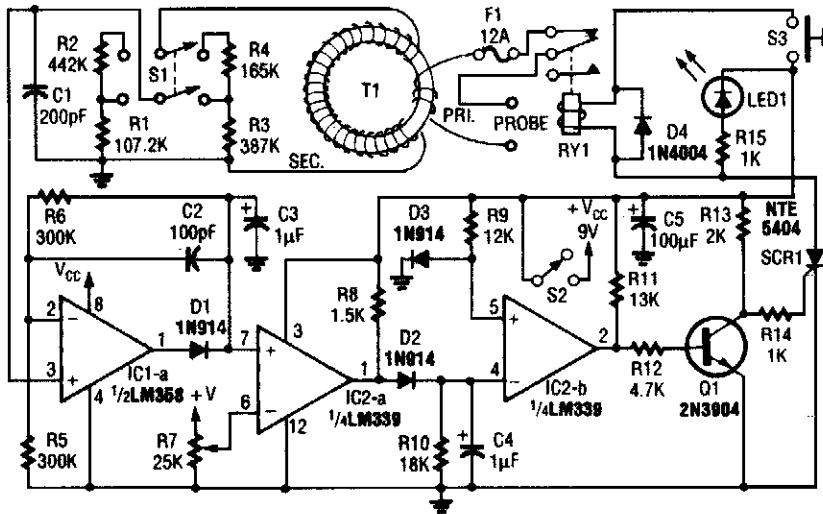


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-1

Most of the transistors in this speaker protector function as switches. Normally, Q4, Q5, and K1 are on and the speakers are connected to the amplifier. However, if a large dc voltage appears at an amplifier output, either Q3, or Q1 and Q2 turn on, biasing Q4 off. That action turns Q5 off, de-energizes the relay, and disconnects the speakers from the amplifier. Components D1, D2, and Q6 form the overdrive-protection circuit.

## ELECTRONIC FUSE

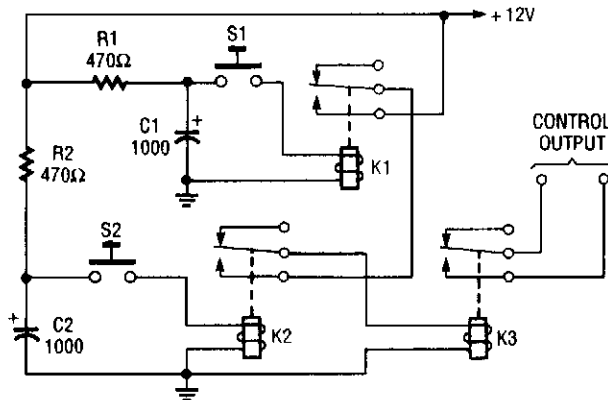


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-2

Basically, this circuit is an adjustable electronic circuit breaker, containing a toroidal transformer that senses 60-Hz load current. T1 has a two-turn winding for primary, and 100 turns of #30 gauge wire for the secondary. A high-low range switch selects 0.1 to 6 A or 1 to 12 A. The primary winding of T1 carries full load current and voltage; should be suitably insulated, as should be RY1.

## SAFETY CIRCUIT

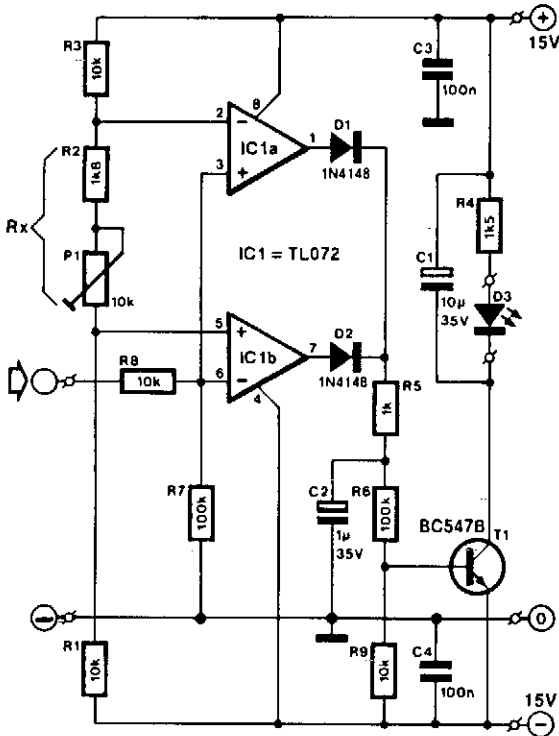


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-3

Because of the finite hold-on time of delay circuits R1/C1 and R2/C2, both S1 and S2 must be pressed at the same time to power up the load.

## OVERLOAD INDICATOR

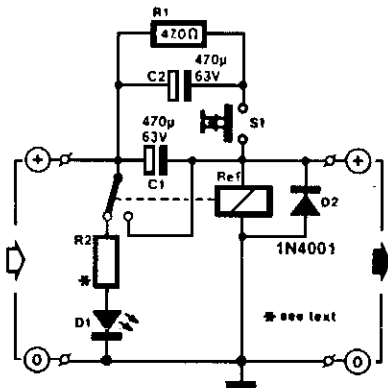


Two op amps are used as comparators to indicate excessive magnitude of an AF signal, either positive or negative, even if the signal is asymmetrical. P1 sets the reference voltage for both op amps. This circuit is useful for audio-amplifier and op-amp circuits using split power supplies.

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-4

## RELAY FUSE FOR POWER SUPPLIES

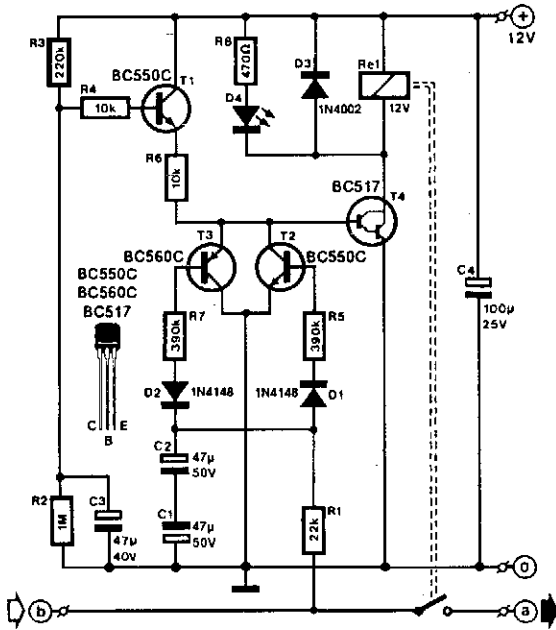


A method of adding overload protection to a power supply using a relay is shown. In each circuit, the relay must be reset by a momentary switch using a charge on capacitor C2. This prevents overload if the short still exists.

ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-5

## SPEAKER PROTECTOR

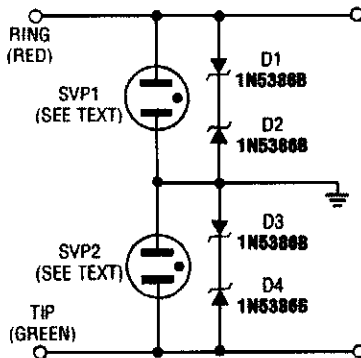


ELEKTOR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-6

A speaker system can be protected against amplifier failure when dc voltages (on speaker line a-b) are sensed by the circuit. Either positive or negative dc voltages are sensed. A relay opens in this case, removing the dc from the speakers. About 12 V at 50 mA is needed to power the circuit, depending on the relay.

## MODEM PROTECTOR



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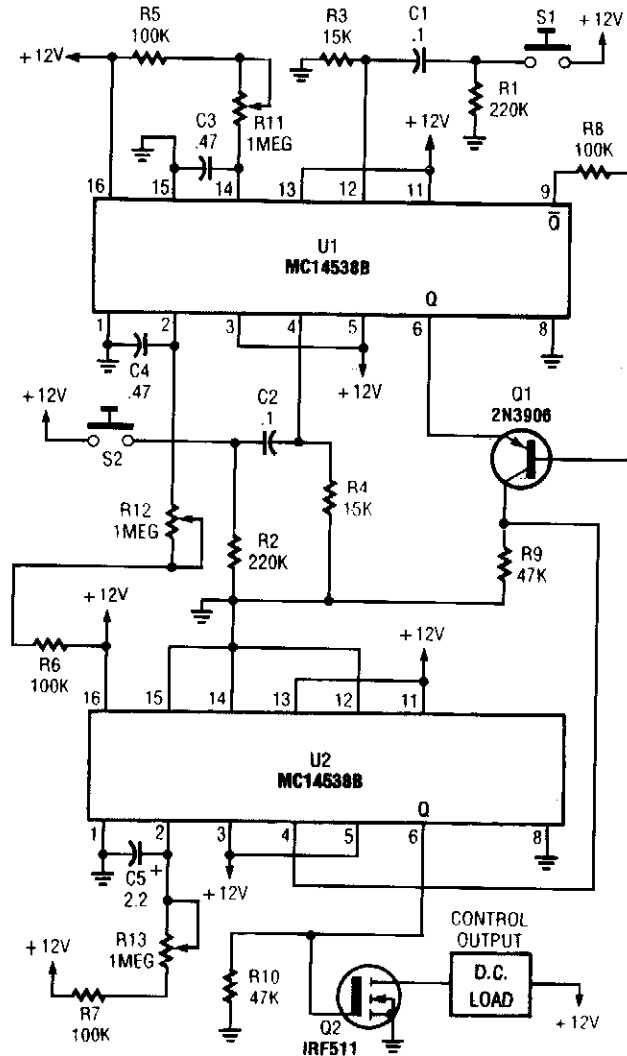
FIG. 80-7

This protector uses surge voltage protectors rated at 230-V breakdown. An effective ground should be used.



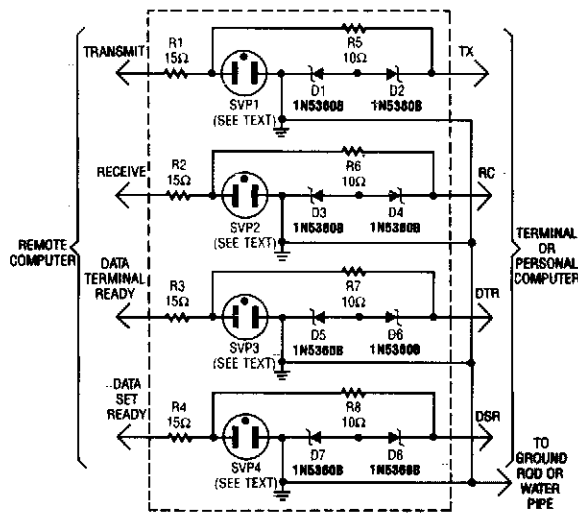


## TIMED SAFETY CIRCUIT



When S1 is closed, pin 9 of U1 goes low, turning on Q1 for a preset period. If S2 is closed during this period, Q2 is turned on for a preset period. R11 and R13 set the two time periods.

## MODEM/FAX PROTECTOR FOR TWO COMPUTERS



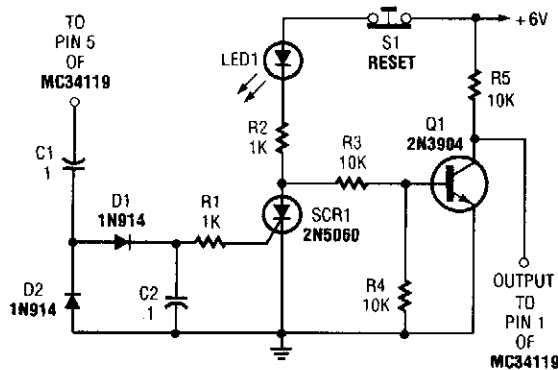
VARIAION OF THE MODEM/FAX PROTECTOR for use in telephone line connections between PC or terminal and larger distant computer.

ELECTRONICS NOW

FIG. 80-10

This modem/fax protector can be used in telephone-line connections between a PC or a terminal and a distant computer. In this circuit, the SVPs (surge voltage protectors) are rated at 230 V. A good ground is a must for effective operation.

## EAR PROTECTOR

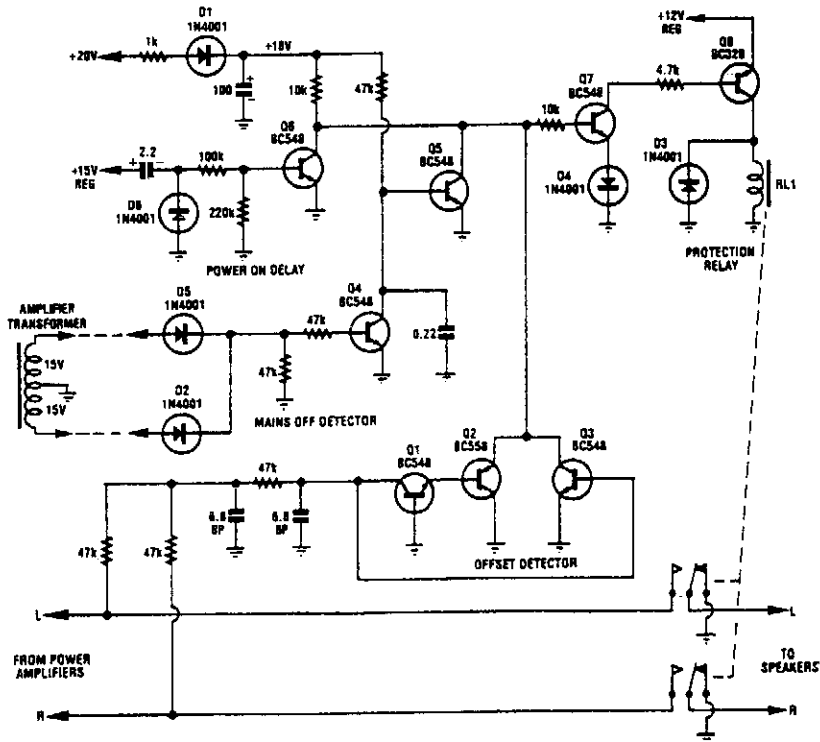


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-11

The ear protector is actually a peak audio-detector/shutdown circuit that disables the amplifier through its chip-disable input when the output volume of an amplifier reaches the set level. The circuit, although intended for the MC34119 amplifier, should work with similar IC devices or applications.

## LOUDSPEAKER PROTECTOR

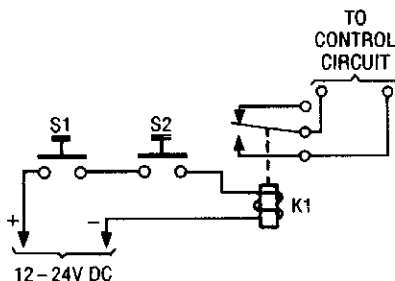


SILICON CHIP

FIG. 80-12

Transistors Q1, Q2, and Q3 monitor the two outputs of the stereo amplifier. If the offsets exceed  $\pm 2$  V, Q7 is turned off, which turns off Q8 and the normally on relay. Diodes D2 and D5, together with Q4, provide a mains voltage monitor. As soon as the ac input voltage disappears, as when the amplifier is turned off, Q4 turns off and Q5 turns on. This turns off Q7, Q8, and the relay. Hence, the loudspeakers are disconnected immediately after the amplifier is turned off.

## SIMPLE SAFETY CIRCUIT



The simple two-hand safety-control switch shown here is little more than two pushbutton switches connected in series; both must be depressed in order to energize the relay.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 80-13

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## Proximity Circuits

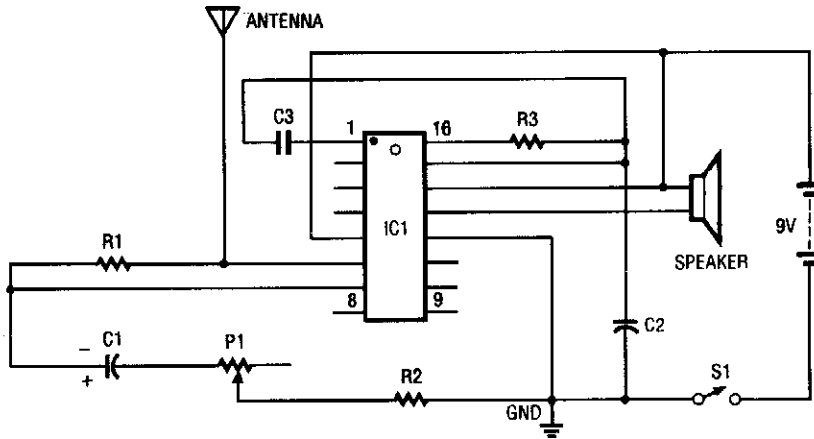
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Proximity Alarm I

Proximity Alarm II

## PROXIMITY ALARM I



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FIG. 81-1

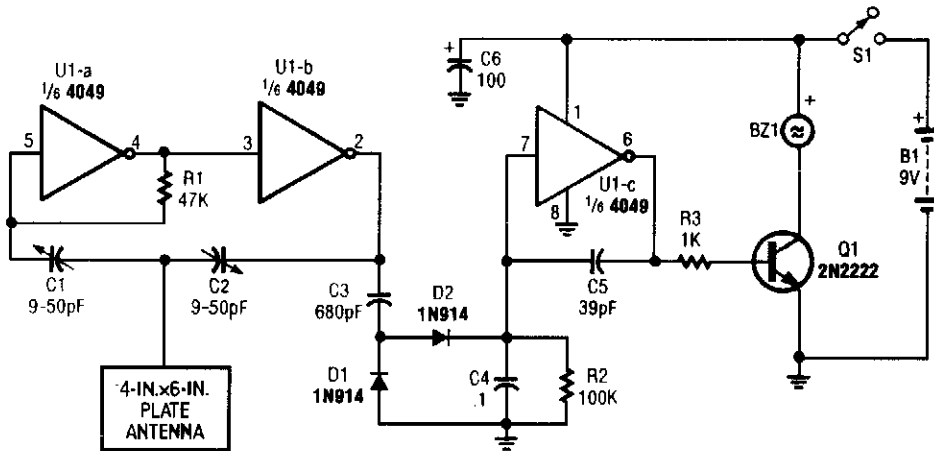
IC1 contains several oscillators and an amplifier. The low-frequency audio-signal oscillator is used to supply an input to the amplifier. That signal is the audio tone that is amplified, then supplied to the speaker by the amplifier.

The high-frequency oscillator is purposely set to be very unstable. It is dormant or "off" until the resistor-capacitor (RC) network is changed. The resistance ( $R$ ) in this case is made up of  $R_2$  and  $P_1$ . As the resistance of  $P_1$  is decreased, the unit becomes more sensitive (more unstable), and less capacitance ( $C$ ) is needed to cause the oscillator to oscillate.

The capacitance required is provided by  $C_2$  and by any capacitance introduced via the antenna loop. When you come near that loop, your inherent body capacitance causes the high-frequency oscillator to begin to oscillate, which then causes the low-frequency oscillator to be "switched on" internally. Once the alarm is sounding, the IC is designed so that it "latches", that is, it stays on until the power to it is switched off.

|      |   |
|------|---|
| C1   | 1- $\mu$ F Axial Capacitor                            |
| C2   | 27-pF Silver Mica Capacitor                           |
| C3   | 0.1- $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor                          |
| IC1  | CM1001N IC  |
| P1   | 50-k $\Omega$ Trimmer Resistor                        |
| R1   | 75-k $\Omega$ Resistor                                |
| R2   | 200- $\Omega$ Resistor                                |
| R3   | 100-k $\Omega$ Resistor                               |
| S1   | SPDT Switch   |
| Spk  | Small Speaker   |
| Misc | IC Socket, Battery Snap, Ground Plate, Wire, PC Board |

## PROXIMITY ALARM II



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 81-2

A CMOS logic gate is used to make up this circuit. When an object is near the antenna, the change in oscillator output is detected by D1 and D2 and amplified by U1C, which drives Q1, sounding alarm BZ1.

# 82

## Pulse-Generator Circuits

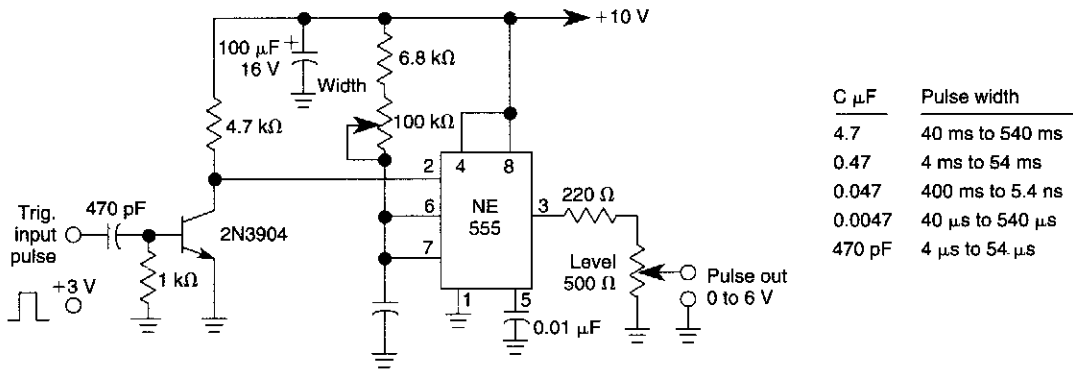
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- Add-On Pulse Generator
- Pulse Generator
- Logic Pulser
- Precise One-Shot
- Digitally Controlled Sawtooth Pulse Generator
- Delayed Pulse Generator
- Pulse Generator with Variable Duty Cycle

## ADD-ON PULSE GENERATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

**FIG. 82-1**

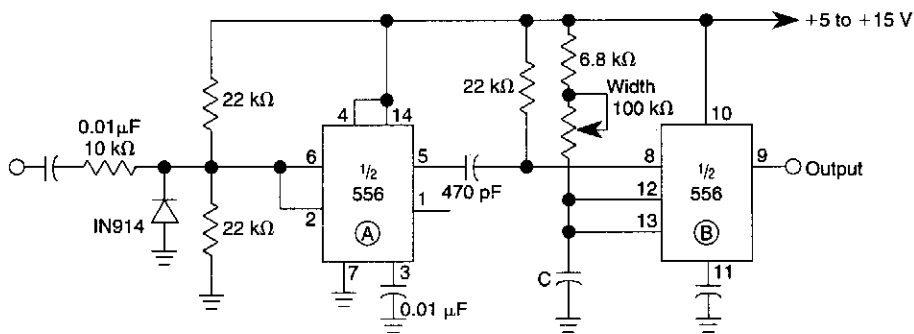
This pulse generator can supplement a standalone pulse generator. Using a transistor and a 555 timer, pulse widths of  $<5 \mu\text{s}$  to  $500 \mu\text{s}$  can be produced. The value of  $C_3$  is approximately found from the formula:

$$C_3 \mu\text{F} \approx 1.1 \times 10^{-5} T \quad \text{where } T \text{ is the shortest pulse width } (\mu\text{s}) \text{ desired in a 10:1 range}$$

( $T$  should be greater than  $5 \mu\text{s}$ )

The capacitor values and consequent pulse width range are shown.

## PULSE GENERATOR



$$\text{Pulsewidth } T \approx 1.1 RC$$

$$\text{In this circuit } T \approx 7.4 \times 10^{-3} C_{\mu\text{F}} \text{ to } 0.117 \times C_{\mu\text{F}} \text{ seconds}$$

with  $C = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$        $T = 740 \mu\text{s}$  to  $11.7 \text{ ms}$

WILLIAM SHEETS

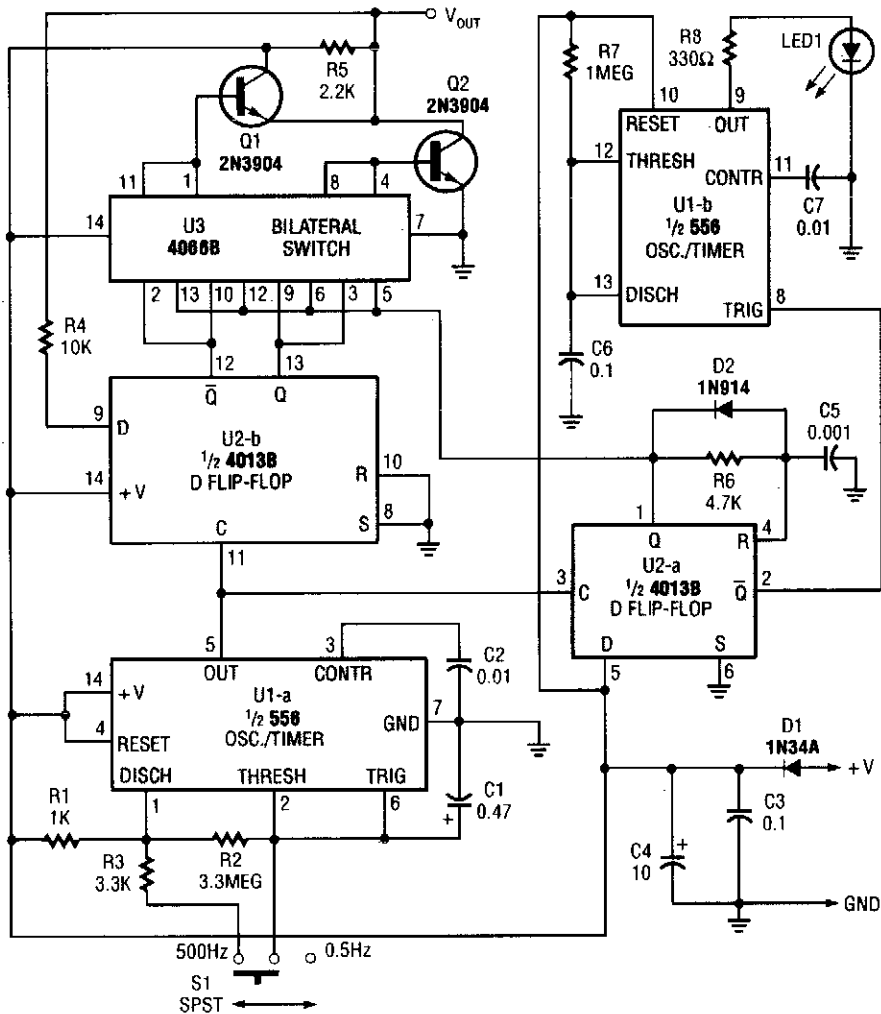
**FIG. 82-2**

By using a 556 dual timer with IC1A acting as a waveshaper and IC1B as a pulse generator, a 10:1 range of pulse widths can be generated.

A sine wave can be used to trigger this circuit.

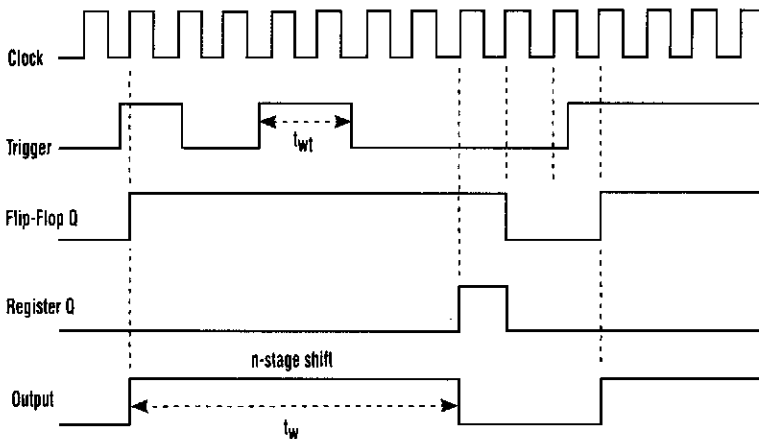
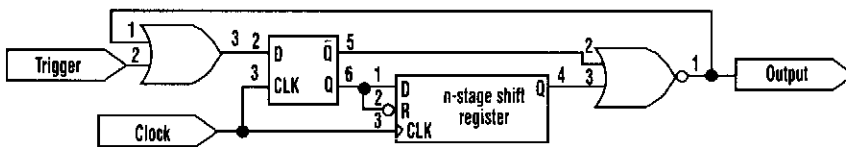


## LOGIC PULSER

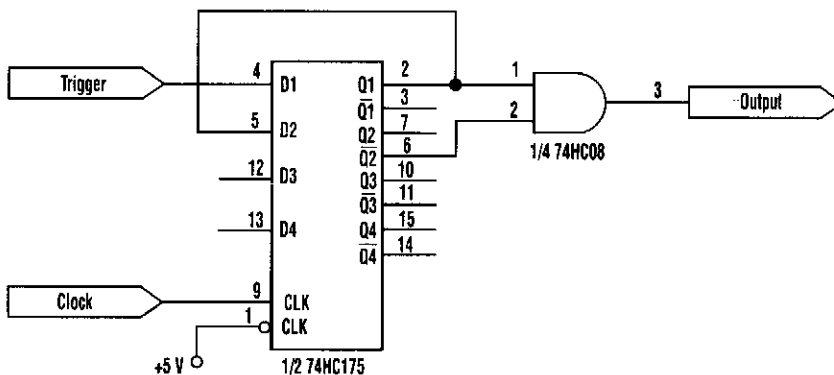


The logic pulser generates pulses at 500 Hz or 0.5 Hz. When the pulser's tip connects to an input that is already being driven high or low, the pulser senses the logic state and automatically pulses the input briefly to the opposite state.

## PRECISE ONE-SHOT



A more precise and stable one-shot pulse is generated by this circuit (a). When a trigger pulse is present, the flip-flop initiates a one-shot pulse whose width is a multiple of the clock period (b).



This simple one-shot circuit has a pulse width of one clock period and is more precise and stable than a multivibrator.

## PRECISE ONE-SHOT (Cont.)

This approach uses a flip-flop, a shift register, and two gates (A). Before the one-shot pulse, the output of the NOR gate is 0. Consequently, the data input of the D-type flip-flop is equivalent to the trigger. When a trigger pulse is present, the flip-flop initiates the one-shot pulse, and the n-stage shift register controls the pulse width,  $t_w$ , which is a multiple of the clock's period (B).

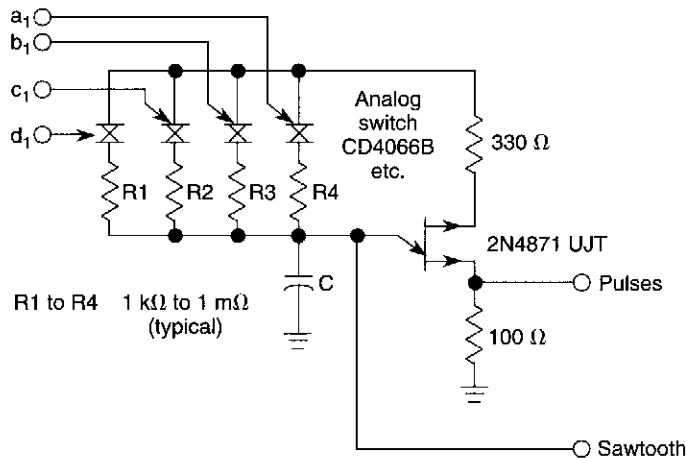
The precision of the one-shot pulse is determined by the clock period, which is inversely proportional to its frequency. For the circuit to work properly, the width of the trigger pulse,  $t_w$ , should be greater than one clock period.

The OR gate masks the trigger's effect when the circuit is generating the desired pulse. The net result is a circuit that functions as a nonretriggerable multivibrator.

When the pulse needs to be only one-clock-period wide, the circuit can be simplified. All that's required are two D-type flip-flops and an AND gate. However, despite its simplicity, this circuit generates a more stable and precise one-shot pulse than a multivibrator.

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## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED SAWTOOTH PULSE GENERATOR

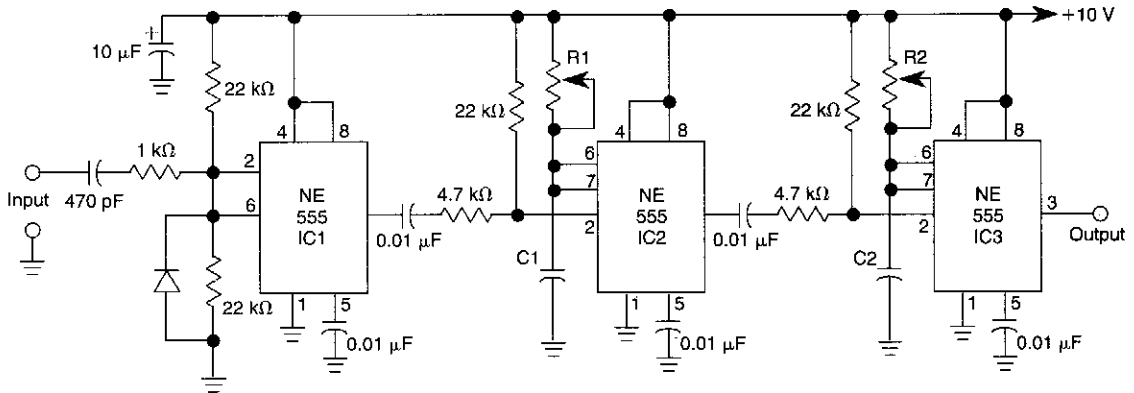


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FIG. 82-5

Use of an analog switch as shown allows digital control of a UJT oscillator.

## DELAYED PULSE GENERATOR



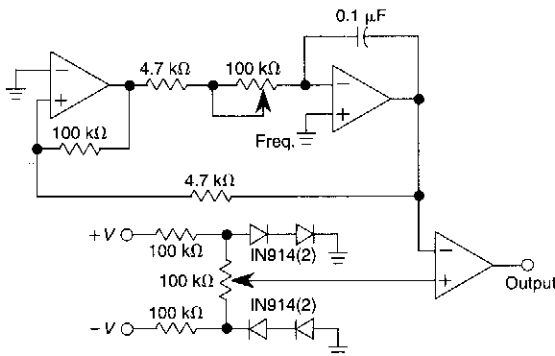
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FIG. 82-6

Three 555 IC timers are used in this circuit to construct a simple delayed-pulse generator. IC1 acts as a waveform shaper to produce a rectangular waveform. IC2 produces a delaying pulse to trigger IC3 on the trailing edge of the delaying pulse. R1 controls delay time and R2 controls pulse width. As much as a 10:1 range can be generated.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Delay: } & C1 = 1.1 \times 10^{-5} T \text{ delay} \quad \text{c } \mu\text{F} \\ \text{Pulse: } & C2 = 1.1 \times 10^{-5} T \text{ pulse} \quad \text{T } \mu\text{sec} \end{aligned}$$

## PULSE GENERATOR WITH VARIABLE DUTY CYCLE



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FIG. 82-7

Using only one IC and six passive components, this pulse generator has a frequency range of 400 to 4000 Hz and an adjustable duty cycle of 1 to 99%. A threshold detector (ICA) and an integrator (ICB) generate a triangular waveform. A

positive voltage at the output of ICA causes the output of ICB to become a negative-going ramp. When the output of this ramp reaches a certain value, ICA, by virtue of its positive-feedback network, changes state; its output becomes negative, and the integrator generates positive ramp. This process continually repeats. A voltage follower (ICC) and a 100-kΩ potentiometer provide a variable  $\pm 0.18\text{-V}$  reference voltage. This reference voltage, along with the triangular waveform, feeds into the positive and negative inputs, respectively, of comparator ICD. You can set the comparator's trip voltage at any point on the triangular waveform; ICD's output changes at that point. Varying the reference voltage alters the duty cycle of the comparator's output by adjusting the potentiometer at the negative input of the integrator, thereby varying the integration time without altering the duty cycle.

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## Receiver Circuits

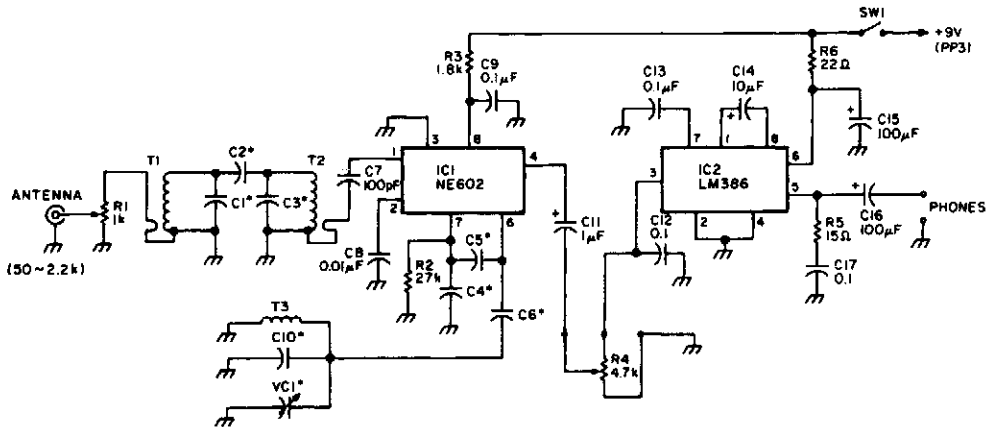
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Simple Direct-Conversion  
Receiver for 160 to 20 M  
27.145-MHz NBFM Receiver  
VLF Whistler Receiver  
Basic AM Receiver Circuit  
Simple 1.5-V AM Broadcast Receiver  
CMOS Line Receiver

NE602 Direct-Conversion Receiver  
80- and 40-M CW/SSB Receiver  
NE602 RF Input Circuits  
Super-Simple Shortwave Receiver  
Transistorized AM Radio  
NE602 Superhet Front End

## SIMPLE DIRECT-CONVERSION RECEIVER FOR 160 TO 20 M



**Table. Component Values for Different Bands**

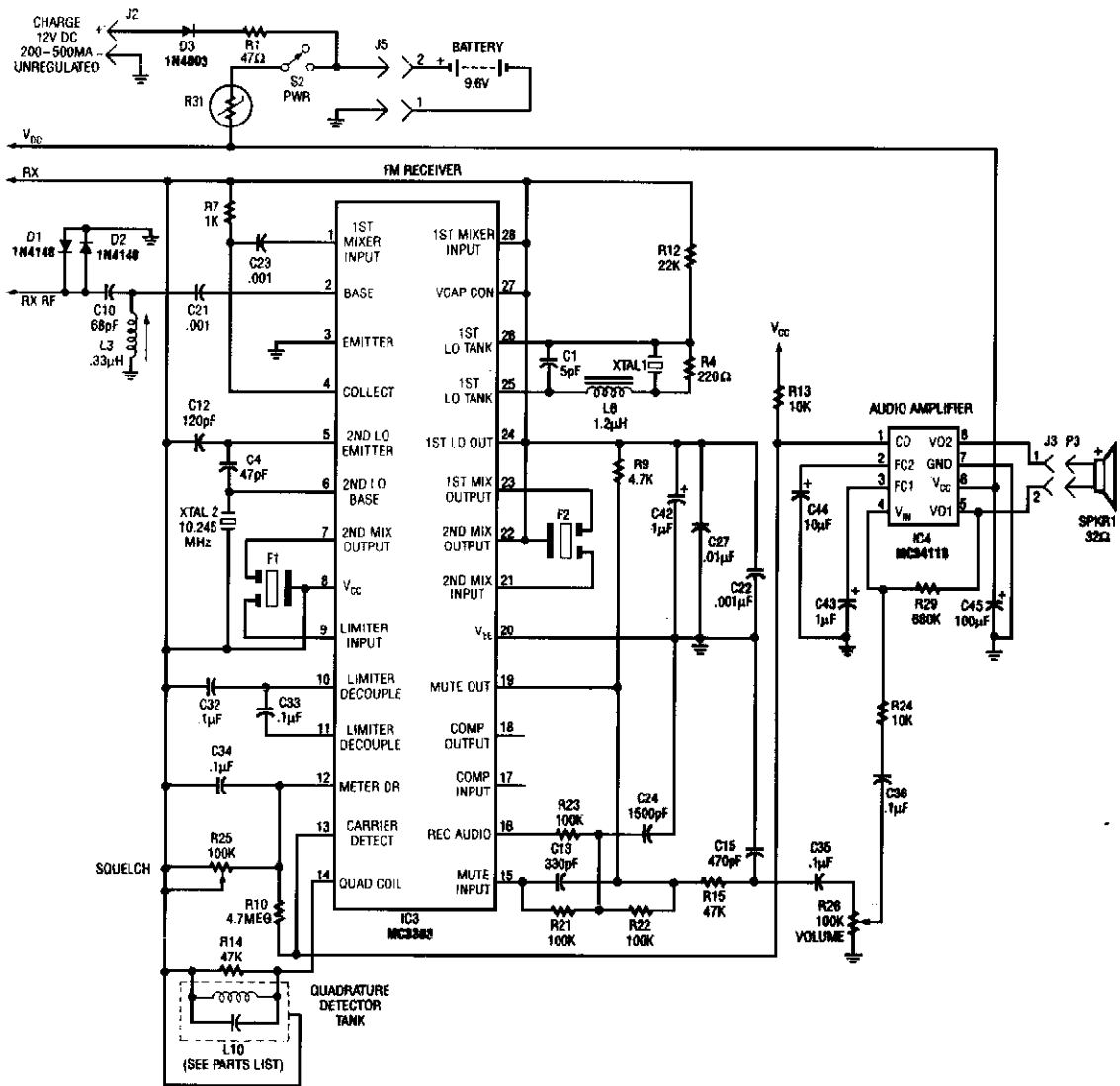
| Band | C1     | C2     | C3     | T1          | T2          |
|------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 160  | 220 pF | 10 pF  | 220 pF | BKXN-K3333R | BKXN-K3333R |
| 80   | 47 pF  | 3 pF   | 47 pF  | BKXN-K3333R | BKXN-K3333R |
| 40   | 100 pF | 8.2 pF | 100 pF | BKXN-K3334R | BKXN-K3334R |
| 30   | 47 pF  | 3 pF   | 47 pF  | BKXN-K3334R | BKXN-K3334R |
| 20   | 100 pF | 3 pF   | 100 pF | BKXN-K3335R | BKXN-K3335R |

| VC1 + C10      | C4     | C5       | C6       | T3     |
|----------------|--------|----------|----------|--------|
| All Sections + | 100 pF | 0.001 μF | 0.001 μF | 560 pF |
| All Sections + | 100 pF | 0.001 μF | 0.001 μF | 560 pF |
| 1 Section +    | 47 pF  | 560 pF   | 560 pF   | 270 pF |
| 1 Section +    | 68 pF  | 680 pF   | 680 pF   | 220 pF |
| 1 Section +    | 68 pF  | 220 pF   | 220 pF   | 68 pF  |

Note that T1 and T2 are TOKO, including part numbers for the coils T1 and T2. The direct-conversion receiver shown uses a double-tuned input network made from readily available TOKO coils. IC1, an NE602, acts as a VFO and mixer, with the output being an IF frequency in the audio range. IC2 is an audio amplifier, R4 is a volume control.

## 27.145-MHz NBFM RECEIVER

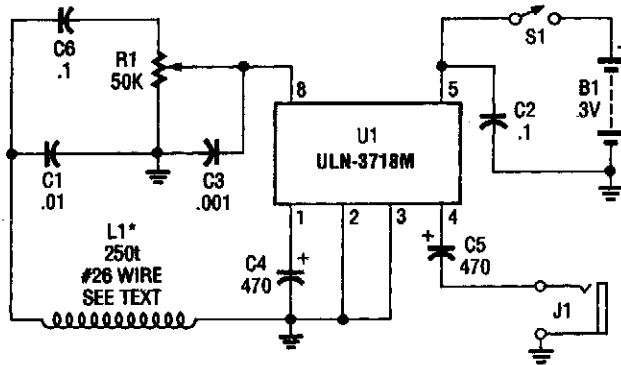


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FIG. 83-2

Using a Motorola MC3363 LSI one-chip FM receiver, the circuit is a dual-conversion FM receiver with a 10.7-MHz IF chain. IC4 provides power to drive a small speaker.

## VLF WHISTLER RECEIVER

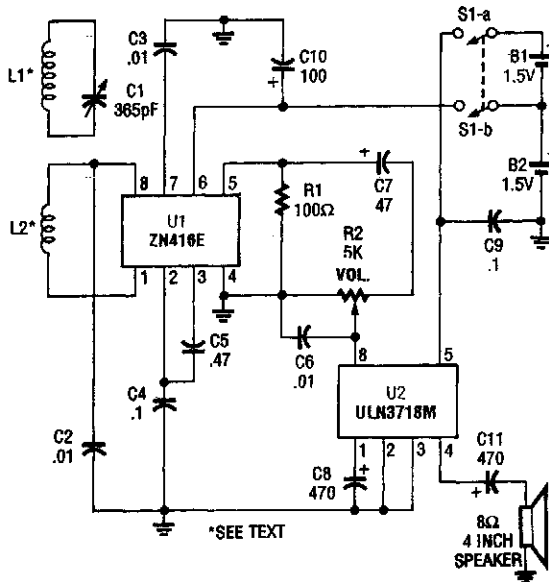


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FIG. 83-3

The VLF whistler receiver is intended to listen to natural radio noise and signals that occur below 20 kHz. L1 is a large loop antenna that is 250 to 300 turns #26 gauge wire on a form 3' diameter. L1 should be mounted well away from power lines and is oriented for minimum 60- and 120-Hz pickup.

## BASIC AM RECEIVER CIRCUIT



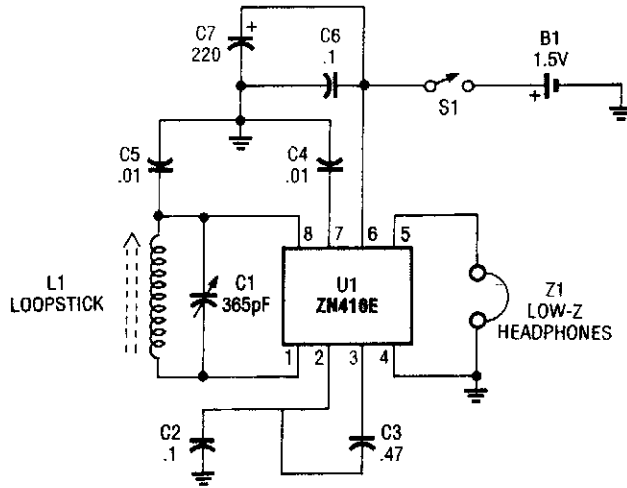
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FIG. 83-4

Using a single ZN416E IC and a ULN3718M, this simple TRF receiver can drive a loudspeaker. Two 1.5-V cells power the circuit.



## SIMPLE 1.5-V AM BROADCAST RECEIVER

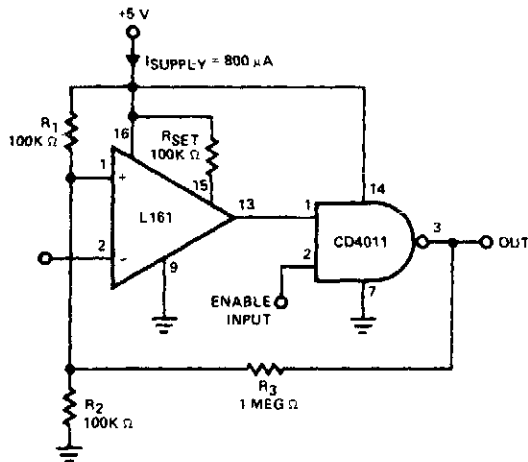


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FIG. 83-5

This receiver uses the ZN416E made by GEC Plessey. The tuning is via C1.

## CMOS LINE RECEIVER



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FIG. 83-6

This circuit will interface a line input to CMOS. The supply current is  $>1$  mA at +5 V.

## NE602 DIRECT-CONVERSION RECEIVER

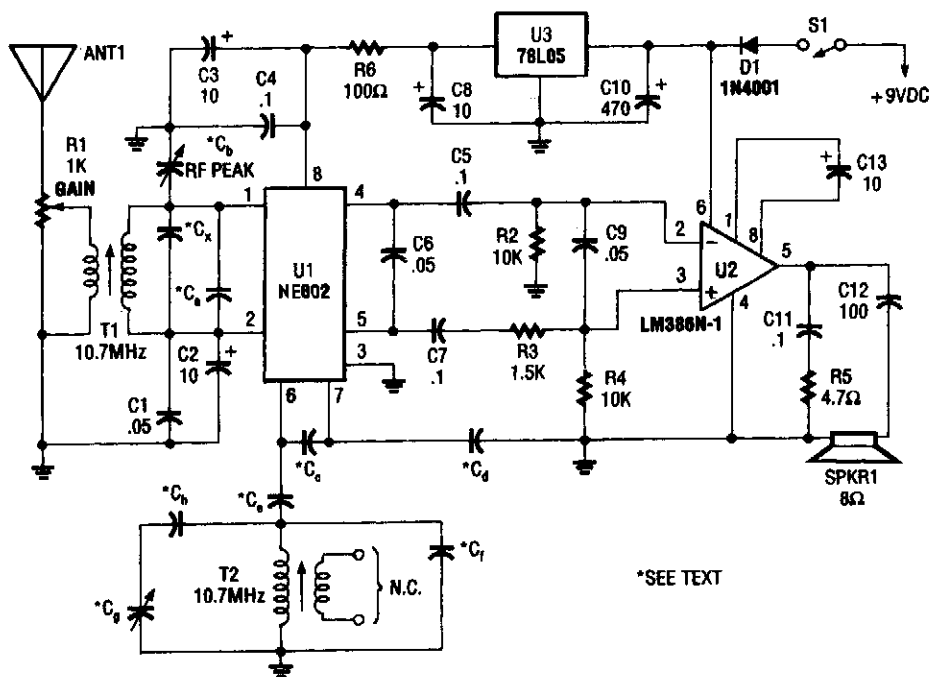
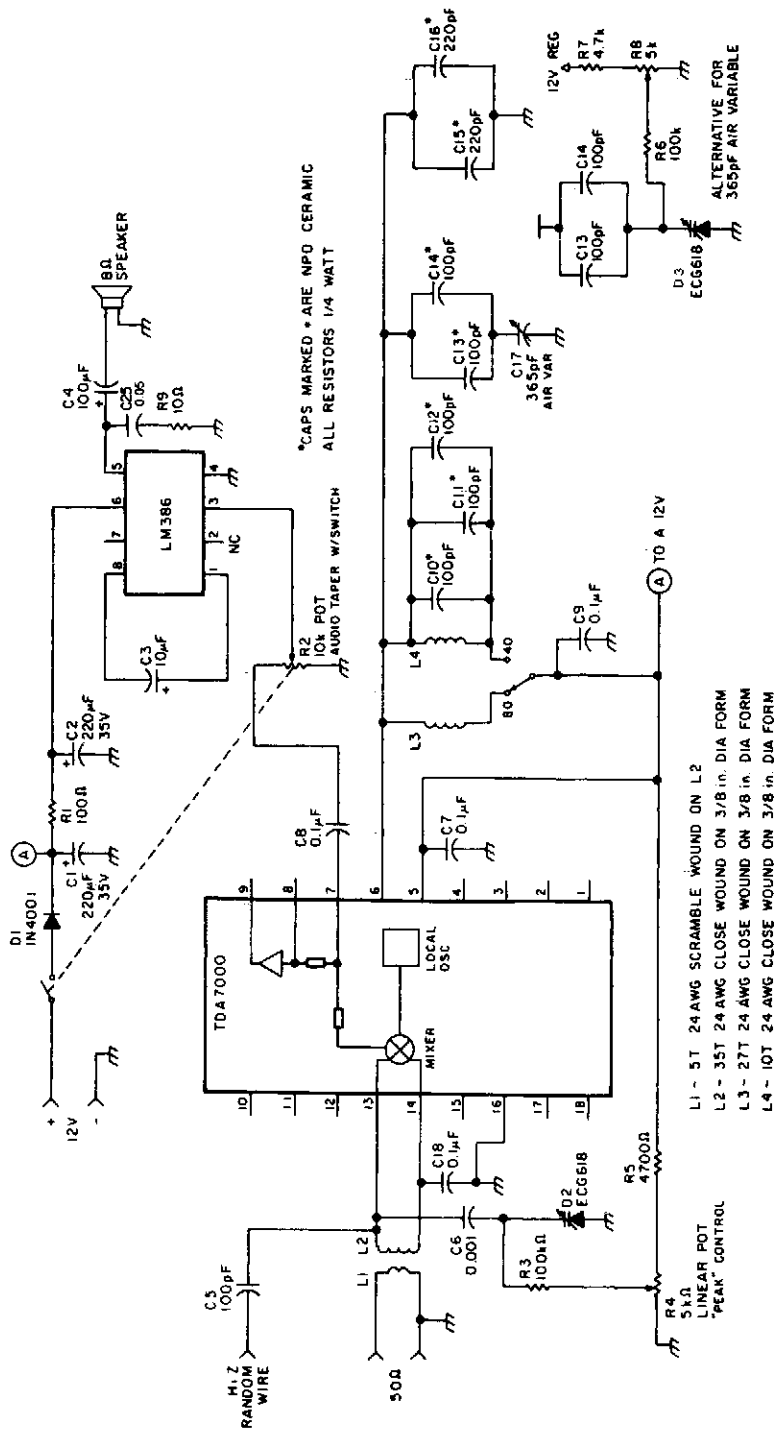


Table 1-- CAPACITOR SELECTION

| Band<br>(meters) | Capacitor values (picofarads) |      |     |     |     |     |
|------------------|-------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|                  | Cc                            | Cd   | Ce  | Cf  | Cg  | Ch  |
| 75/80            | 1000                          | 1000 | 470 | 120 | 365 | 270 |
| 40               | 330                           | 330  | 120 | 150 | 365 | 68  |

An NEC602 is used as a mixer with a zero IF frequency output. U2 acts as an audio amplifier. This receiver is primarily for SSB and CW signals. T1 and T2 are 10.7-MHz IF coils used in AM/FM transistorized radios, etc. or in any similar indicator.

# 80- AND 40-M CW/SSB RECEIVER

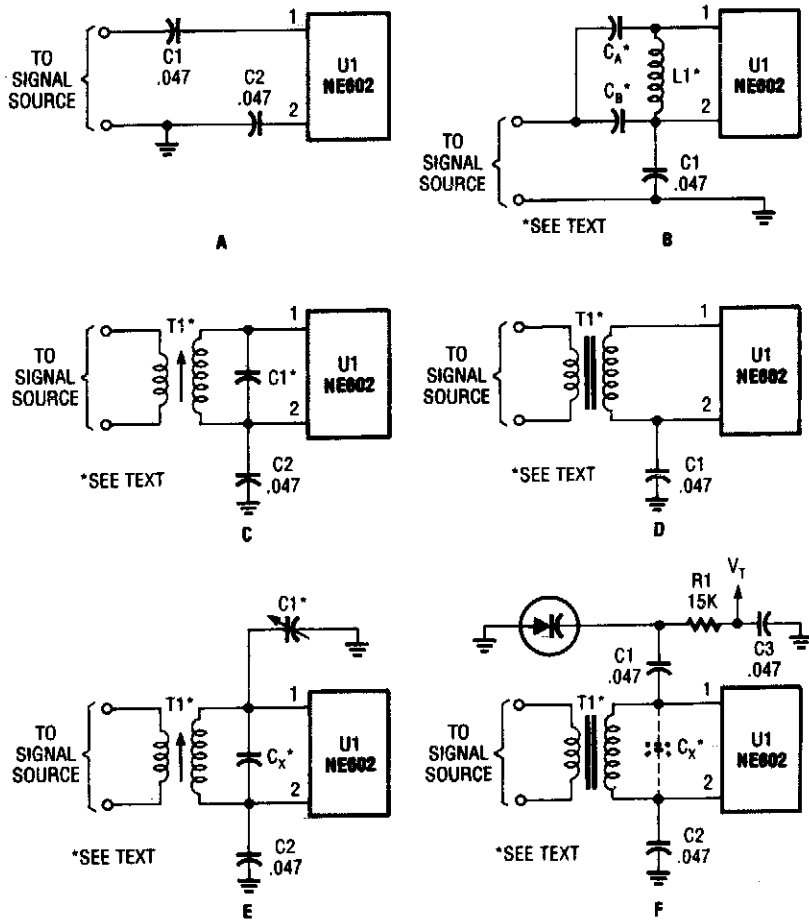


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FIG. 83-8

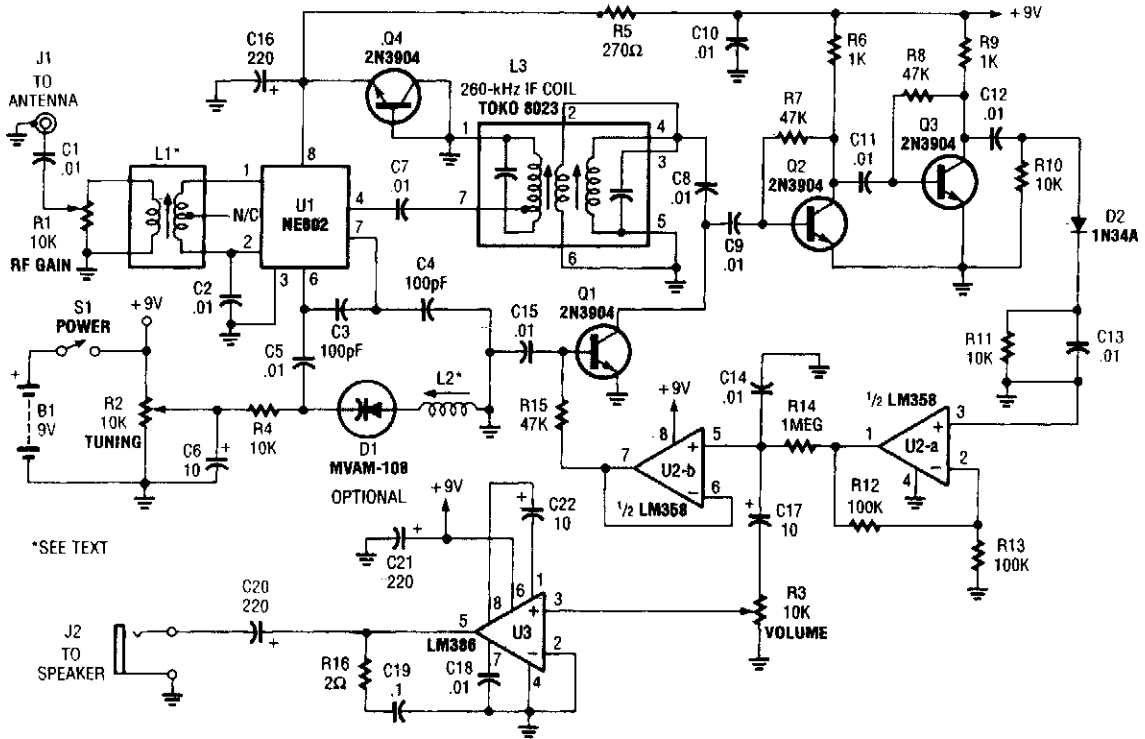
This direct-conversion receiver uses a TDA7000 IC and it drives an LM386 audio amplifier. The TDA7000 is used for its mixer and L.O. section. The frequency control can be either with an air variable capacitor or a varactor diode.

## NE602 RF INPUT CIRCUITS



Here are a few of the many possible RF input circuits for the NE602. Just about any tuned or broadband circuit will work.

## SUPER-SIMPLE SHORTWAVE RECEIVER



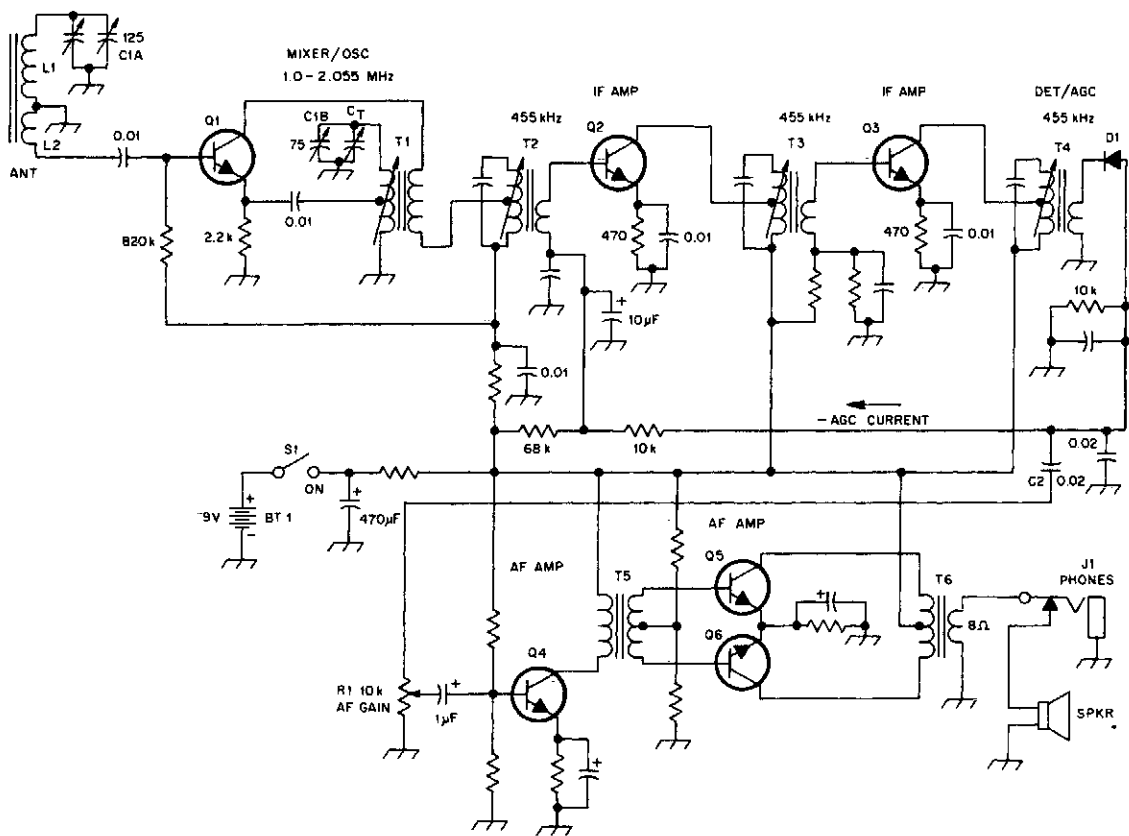
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FIG. 83-10

Integrated circuit U1 (an NE602 double-balanced mixer) is a combination oscillator and frequency mixer. Signals from the antenna input (at J1) are fed through dc-blocking capacitor C1 to the RF-gain control, R1, and fed to the input of U1 at pins 1 and 2.

The local-oscillator frequency, which varies with the settings of R2 and L2, is mixed internally within U1, resulting in an output. The mixer output at pin 4 of U1 is applied to a tunable 260-kHz band-pass intermediate-frequency (IF) transformer, L3, through dc-blocking capacitor C7. Therefore, signals that are roughly 260 kHz above and below the local-oscillator frequency are passed while others are effectively blocked. The IF frequencies are now amplified by Q2 and Q3. The AM audio signal is detected by D2 and its associated components, which bypass the RF signals, and leave only the audio signals. The signals are preamplified by U1-a (half of an LM358 dual op amp). The audio is then boosted to speaker level by the LM386 low-voltage audio power amplifier, U3.

## TRANSISTORIZED AM RADIO

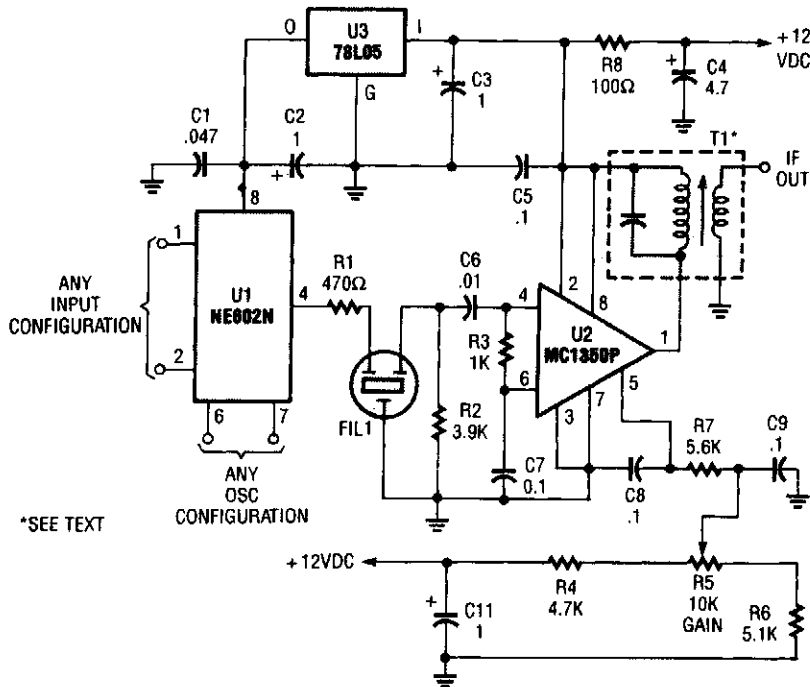


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FIG. 83-11

Shown is a schematic of a typical transistor AM radio. This circuit uses npn transistors. The circuit is "generic;" therefore, no specific values are given for some components. This circuit is for reference, to serve as a starting point for experimenters.

## NE602 SUPERHET FRONT END



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FIG. 83-12

By using an NE602 with a filter and an MC1350P IC, a front end and an IF system for a basic superheterodyne receiver can be built with few parts. T1 is any suitable IF transformer for 262 kHz, 455 kHz, 10.7 MHz, etc.

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## Relay Circuits

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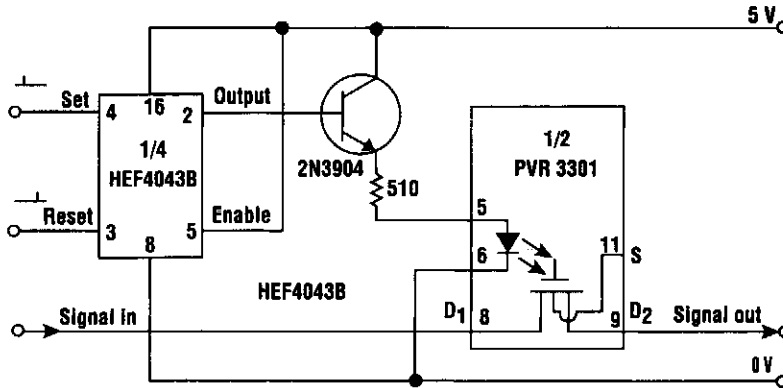
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Solid-State Latching Relay  
Solid-State Relay Circuit  
Solid-State Relay Circuits  
Time Delay Relay  
Sensor-Activated Relay Pulser



## SOLID-STATE LATCHING RELAY



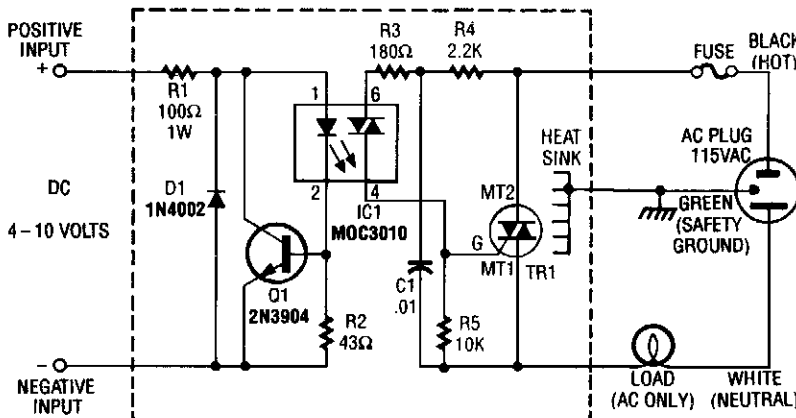
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 84-1

This simple circuit provides a solid-state equivalent of the electromechanical latching relay (see the figure). What's more, the switching is clean, highly resistant to vibration and shock, and isn't sensitive to magnetic fields or position.

The circuit operates as follows: a set pulse to the 4043 RS latch takes its output high and turn on the 2N3904 transistor. Current will then flow through the photovoltaic relay's LED and the resistance between D1 and D2 will fall from several gigaohms to less than  $30\ \Omega$ . The PVR will remain in this state until a reset pulse is received by the 4043 RS latch.

## SOLID-STATE RELAY CIRCUIT

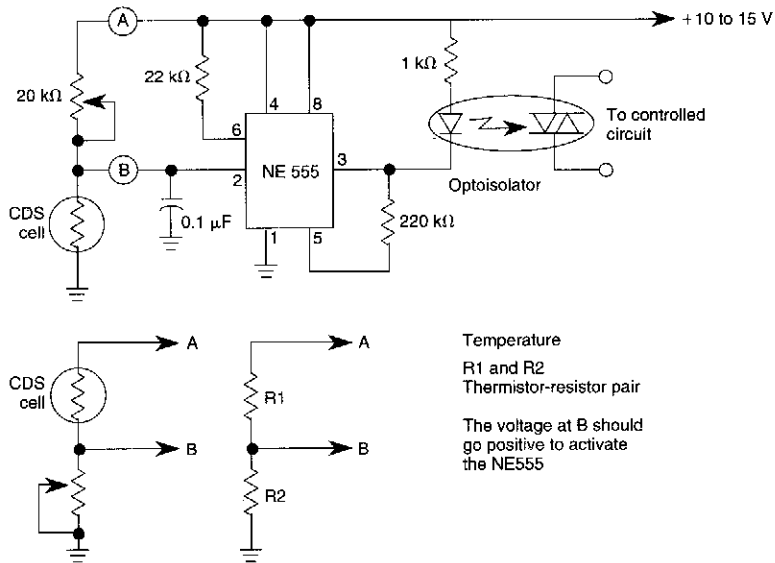


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FIG. 84-2

R1 limits input current while Q1 acts as a current sink to protect IC1. D1 serves as a polarity protector. IC1 provides a triac output to trigger the main triac, TR1.

## SOLID-STATE RELAY CIRCUITS

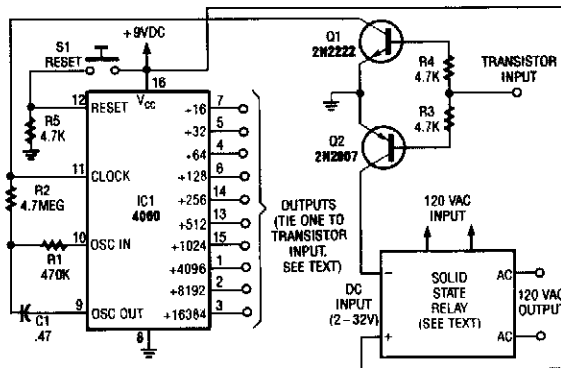


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FIG. 84-3

This dark-activated relay switch can be used to turn on walkway or other outdoor lighting at dusk. By using alternate connections to A and B, increasing illumination, high and low temperatures can be sensed.

## TIME DELAY RELAY

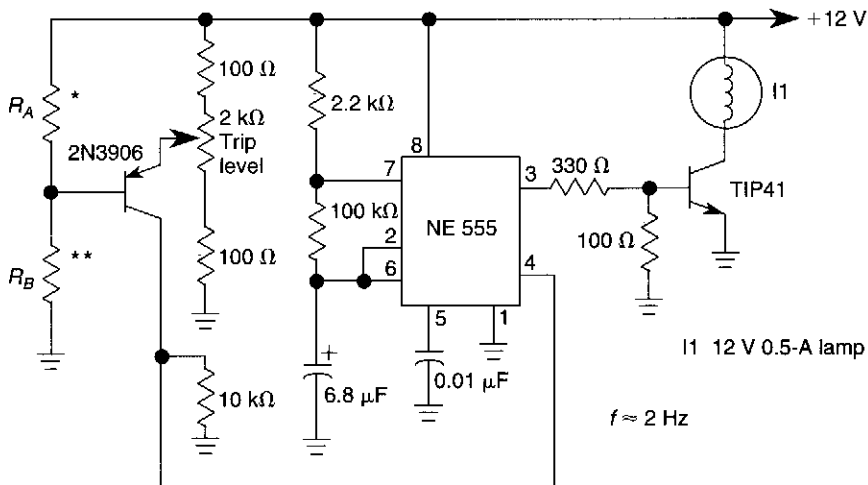


ELECTRONICS NOW

FIG. 84-4

Using a 4060 CMOS binary divider and built-in clock oscillator, a long-duration timer can be made very simply. The solid-state relay can be sized for your application, and can be replaced with a mechanical relay if a suitable power supply is available. With the components shown, a 4.5-Hz clock frequency is generated. Divided outputs are available from ÷ 4 to 16384 (about 4 hours).

## SENSOR-ACTIVATED RELAY PULSER



Either  $R_A$  or  $R_B$  can be sensors, as desired. A decrease in  $R_B$  or an increase in  $R_A$  will cause the NE555 to flash I1.  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  should be  $\leq 100$  k $\Omega$  max.

WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 84-5

A sensor turns on Q1 to activate the low-frequency 555 oscillator, which pulses LAMP I1. Sensor may be sensitive to changes in light or temperature.

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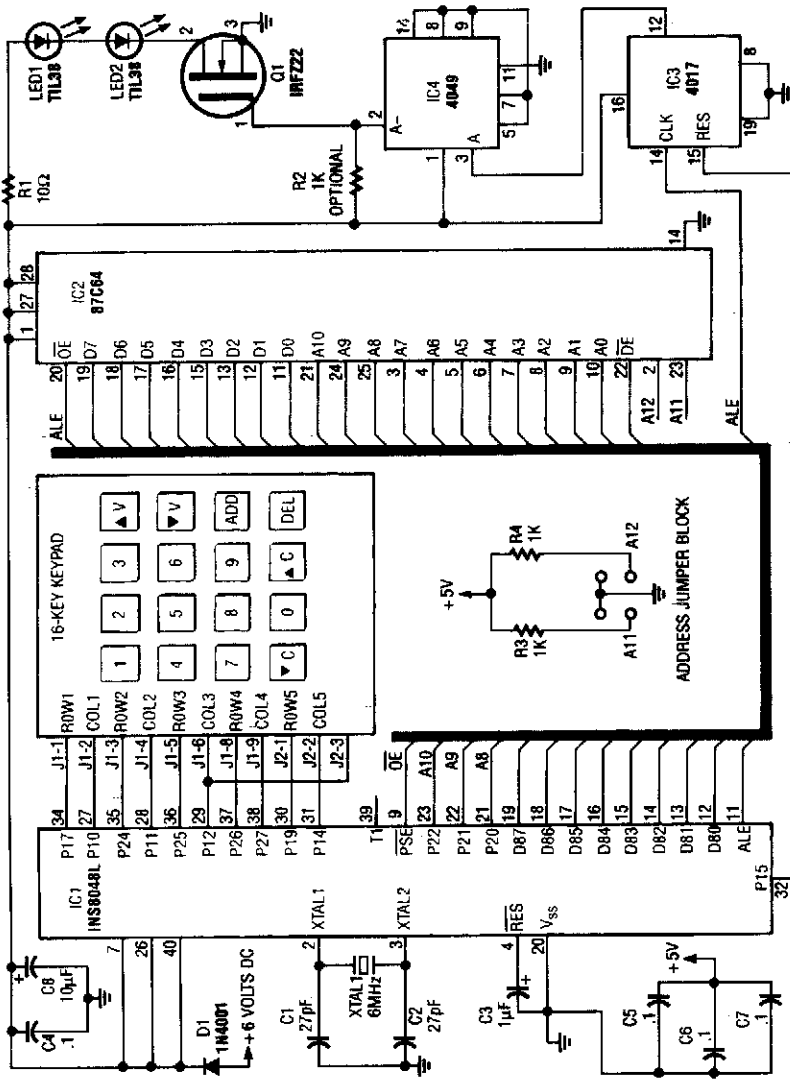
## Remote-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Remote-Control Transmitter  
Remote-Control Receiver  
Interface Circuits for the Remote-Control Transmitter  
Remote-Control Extender  
Ultrasonic Remote-Control Transmitter  
Remote-Control Transmitter  
Ultrasonic Remote-Control Receiver

# REMOTE-CONTROL TRANSMITTER



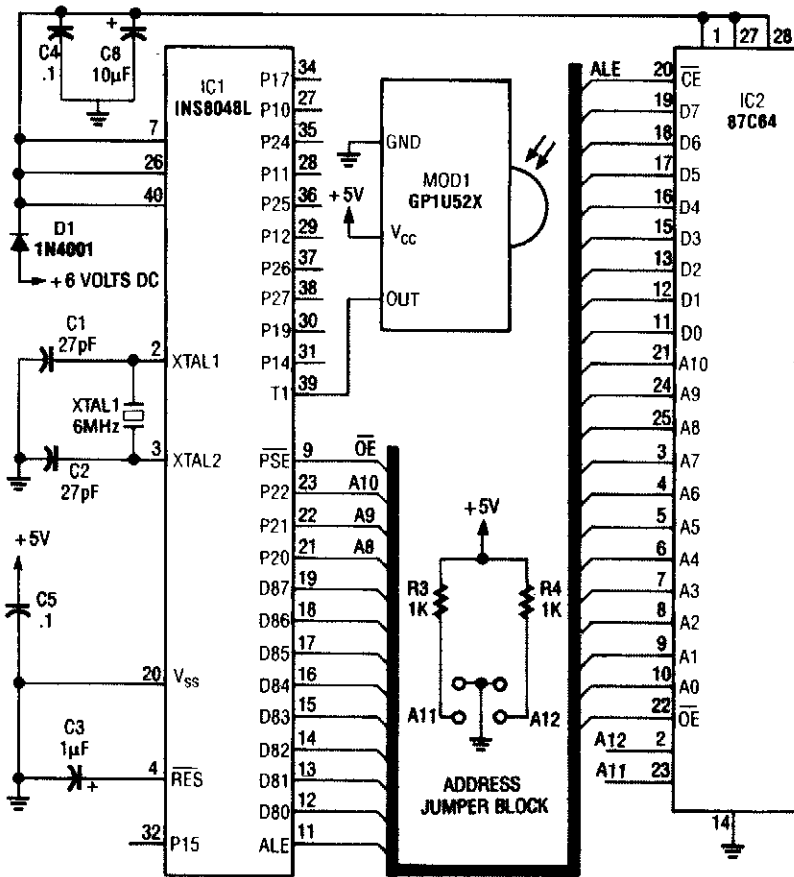
IR TRANSMITTER SCHEMATIC. The 40-kHz carrier is derived by dividing IC1's oscillator frequency (6 MHz) by 15, to get 400 kHz, which is divided by 10 by IC3.

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FIG. 85-1

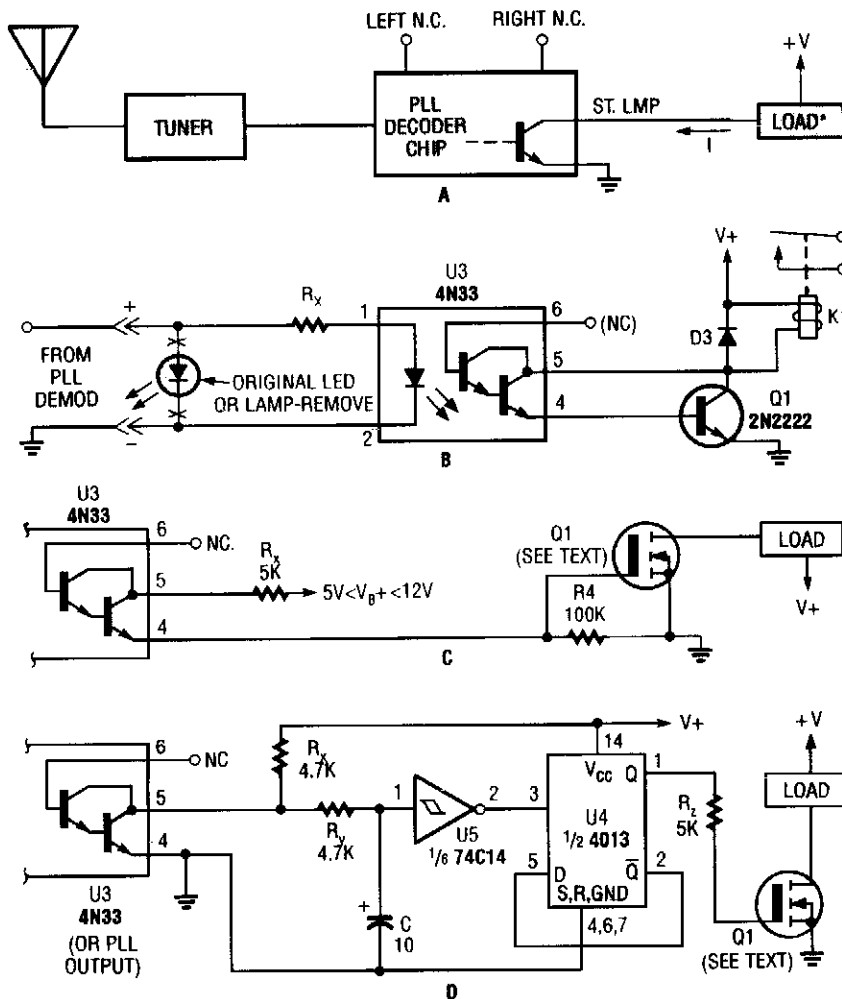
This transmitter sends an FM signal in the 88-to 108-MHz range, with a tone of 19 kHz. This can be used to activate the FM MPX pilot carrier indicator, which can be interfaced to external devices. L4 is for use with a 15 CM wire antenna. L1 is 9 turns of #26 enamelled wire on a 10-kΩ ¼-W resistor (carbon type), L2 is 2 turns wound over L1. L3 is 7 turns wound over L1. L3 is 7 turns of #26 enamelled wire on a 10-kΩ ¼-W resistor.

## REMOTE-CONTROL RECEIVER



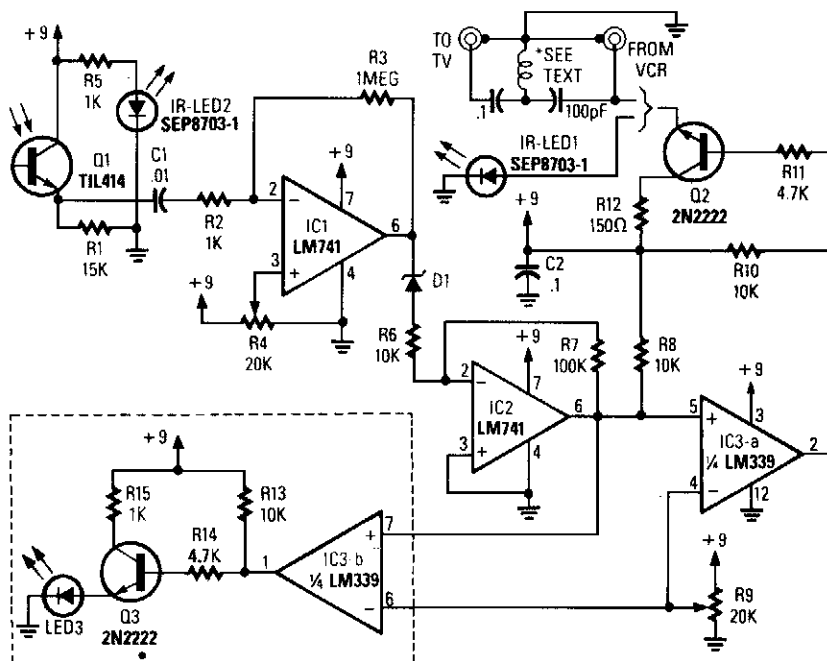
This circuit is based on the Sharp GP1U52X IR module and INS8048L microprocessor. The GP1U52X is a hybrid IC/infrared detector that provides a strong clean signal for later filtering and demodulation.

## INTERFACE CIRCUITS FOR THE REMOTE-CONTROL TRANSMITTER



Shown here are several possible interface circuits that can be used with the remote-control transmitter. The one in A illustrates a typical FM stereo MUX decoder with a load connected directly to the open-collector output of a TA7343 PLL. The circuit in B illustrates an optoisolator-coupler output driving a 12-V relay coil via a general-purpose transistor. C shows the gate of an N-channel power MOSFET connected to the output of a 4N33. The final circuit, D, is a toggle flip-flop that allows push-on/push-off control.

## REMOTE-CONTROL EXTENDER

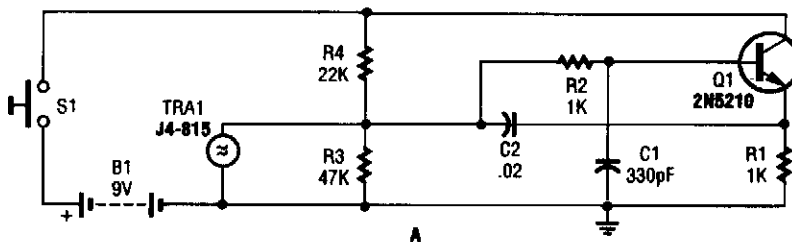


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FIG. 85-4

A signal from an IR remote control is converted from IR radiation to a frequency pulse that can be transmitted through coaxial TV cable or any other two-conductor wire to another room, where it's converted back into an IR signal.

## ULTRASONIC REMOTE-CONTROL TRANSMITTER



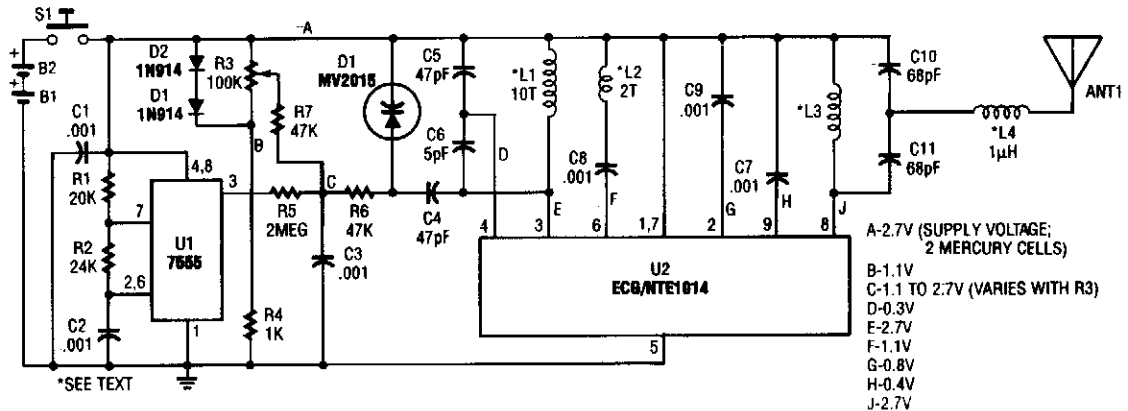
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 85-5

A GC Electronic P/N J4-815 ultrasonic transducer is used in this 40-kHz transmitter for remote-control application.



## REMOTE-CONTROL TRANSMITTER

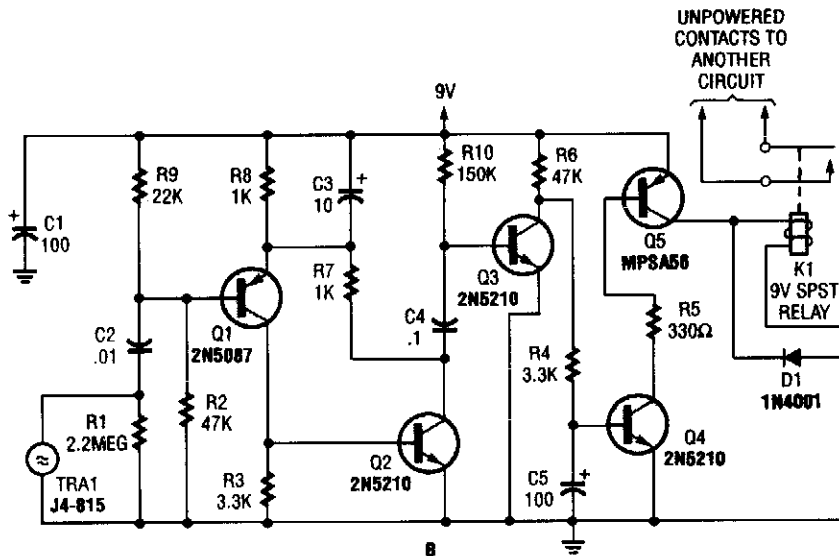


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FIG. 85-6

This transmitter can be used for a variety of purposes. An INS8048L microprocessor generates various codes depending on keypad presses. The codes are modulated on a 40-kHz carrier. Q1 drives IR LEDs LED1 and LED2.

## ULTRASONIC REMOTE-CONTROL RECEIVER



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FIG. 85-7

A GC Electronics P/N J4-815 transducer is used to receive 40-kHz acoustic remote-control signals. The receiver drives a relay for control of another circuit.

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## RF Amplifier Circuits

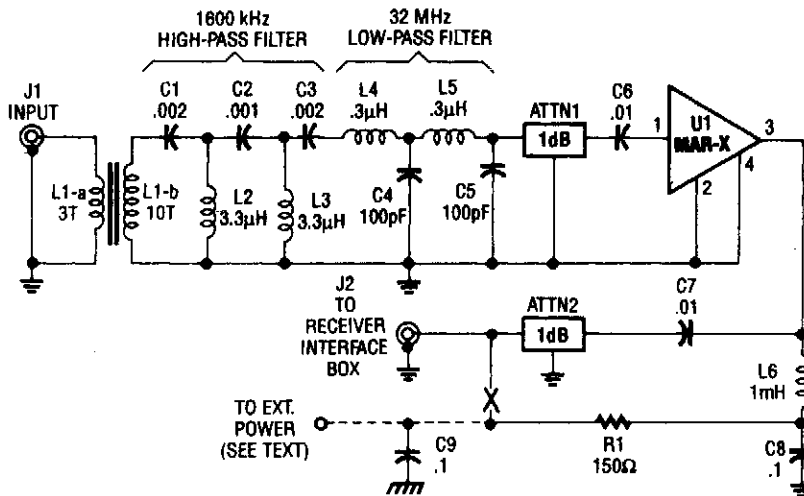
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|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| HF Preamplifier                     | Receiver/Scanner Preamp Using MAR-1 MMIC |
| VHF/UHF Preamp Using MAR-x          | 20-W 1296-MHz Amplifier Module           |
| Broadband RF Amplifier              | Simple 455-kHz IF Amplifier              |
| Low-Noise GASFET Preamp for 435 MHz | UHF Amplifier                            |
| Broadcast-Band RF Amplifier         | 144- to 2304-MHz UHF Broadband Amplifier |
| 70-MHz RF Power Amplifier           | 455-kHz IF Amplifier                     |
| Miniature Wideband Amplifier        | Switchable HF/VHF Active Antenna         |
| 30-MHz Amplifier                    | 455-kHz IF Amp for 1.5-V Operation       |
| 20-W 450-MHz Amplifier              | 5-W 7-MHz RF Power Amplifier             |
| Wideband Power Amplifier            | LC Tuned Amplifiers                      |
| TV Sound System                     | Wideband Preamp                          |
| 10-W 10-Meter Linear Amplifier      | RF Preamplifiers                         |
| 2-Meter FET Power Amplifier for HTs | 45-MHz IF Amplifier with crystal filter  |

## HF PREAMPLIFIER

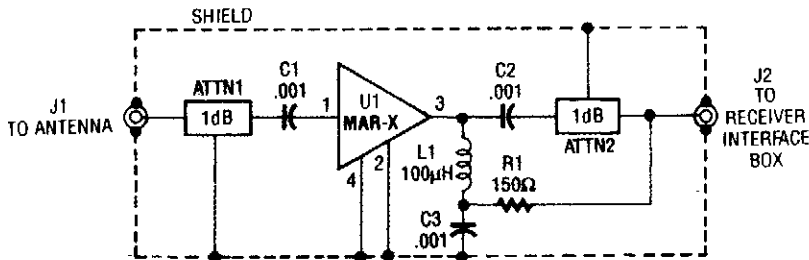


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 86-1

This HF SW receiver preamplifier is comprised of a broadband toroidal transformer (L1-a and L1-b), a complex LC network (comprised of a 1600-kHz, high-pass filter and a 32-MHz, low-pass filter), L2 and L3 (26 turns of #26 enameled wire wound on an Amidon Associates T-50-2, red, toroidal core), a pair of resistive attenuators (ATTN1 and ATTN2), and of course, the MAR-x device. External power for the preamp can be 9 to 12 Vdc. R1 can be increased in value for higher voltages.

## VHF/UHF PREAMP USING MAR-x

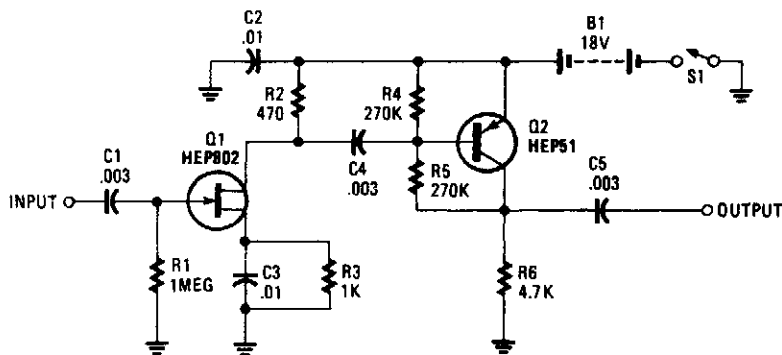


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 86-2

The MAR-x preamp shown will cover up to 1.5 or 2 GHz with the correct MAR-x IC. ATTN1 should be omitted for low noise-figure applications. ATTN1 and ATTN2 provide a means of limiting possible termination range, for less chance of device instability.

## BROADBAND RF AMPLIFIER

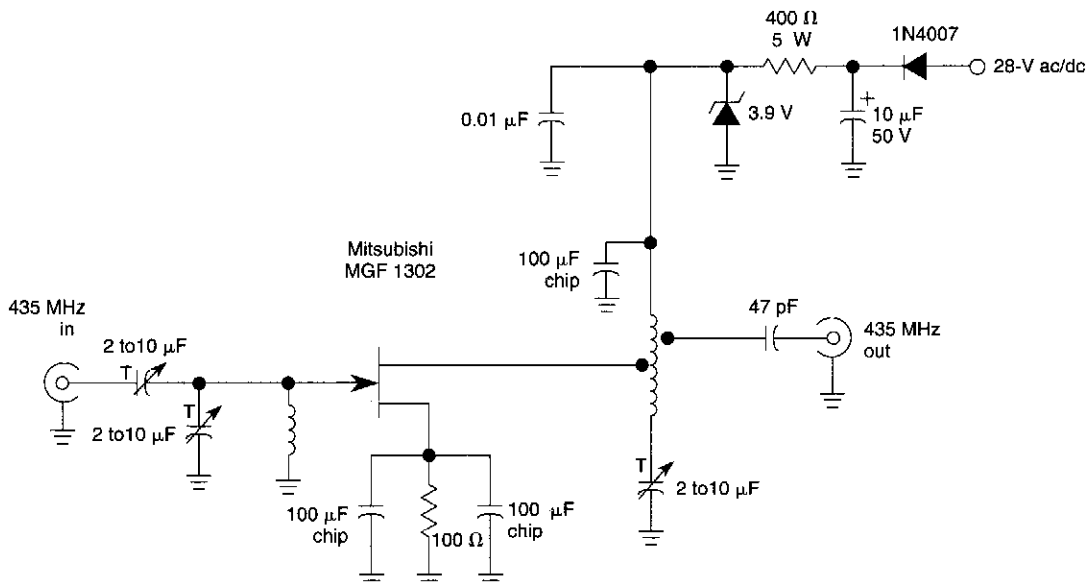


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 86-3

The use of a FET gives this amplifier a high input impedance. The bandwidth should be adequate for LW through HF use (dc-30 MHz), as an active antenna preamplifier.

## LOW-NOISE GASFET PREAMP FOR 435 MHz

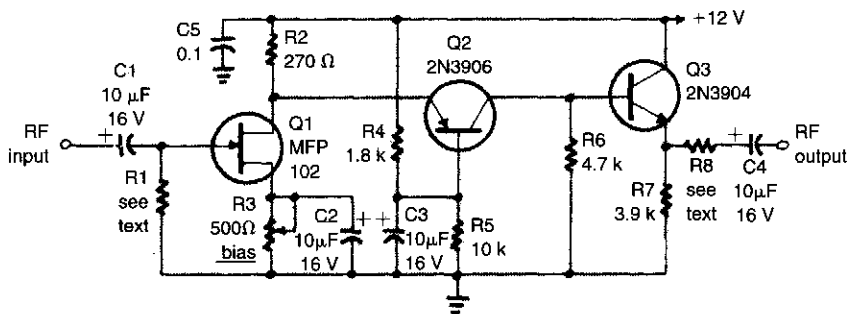


WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 86-4

This circuit is a low-noise preamplifier for the 435-MHz amateur satellite frequencies. The circuit uses a Mitsubishi MGF1302. A 28-Vdc source is shown, although by changing the 400-Ω 5-W resistor lower voltages can be used.

## BROADCAST-BAND RF AMPLIFIER

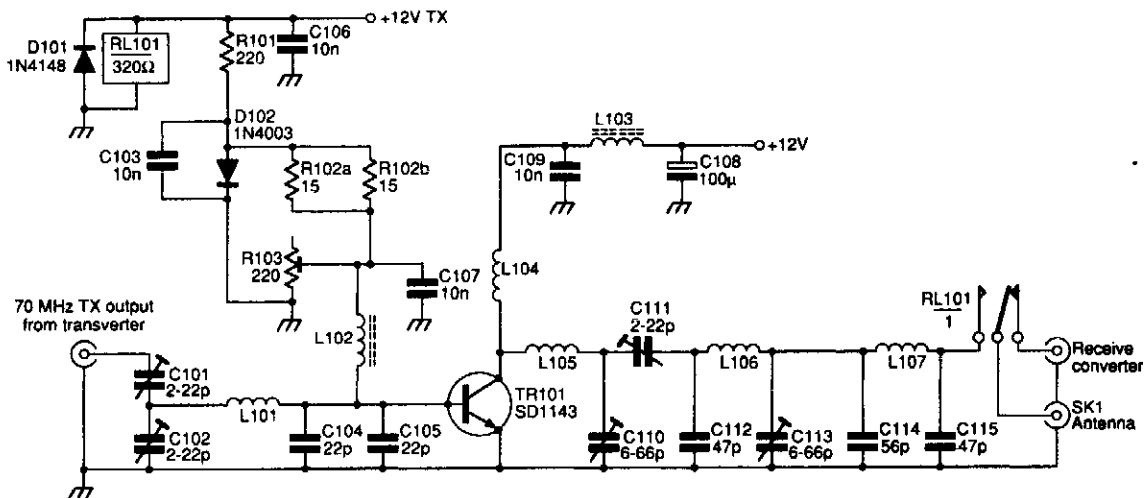


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FIG. 86-5

The circuit has a frequency response that ranges from 100 Hz to 3 MHz; the gain is about 30 dB. Field-effect transistor Q1 is configured in the common-source self-biased mode; optional resistor R1 allows you to set the input impedance to any desired value. Commonly, it will be 50 Ω. The signal is then direct-coupled to Q2, a common-base circuit that isolates the input and output stages and provides the amplifier's exceptional stability. Last, Q3 functions as an emitter-follower, to provide low output impedance (about 50 Ω). If you need higher output impedance, include resistor R8. It will affect impedance according to this formula:  $R_8 \approx R_{OUT} - 50$ . Otherwise, connect output capacitor C4 directly to the emitter of Q3.

## 70-MHz RF POWER AMPLIFIER

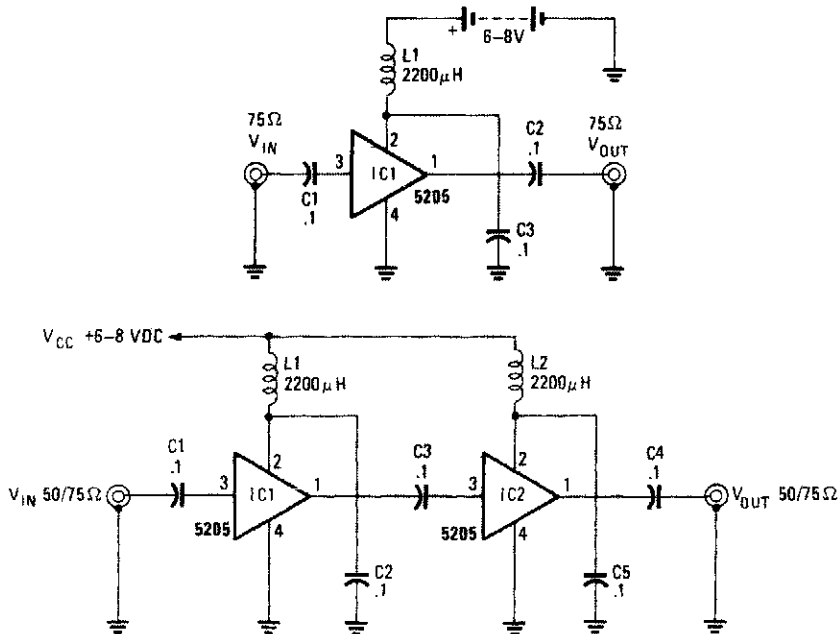


PRACTICAL WIRELESS

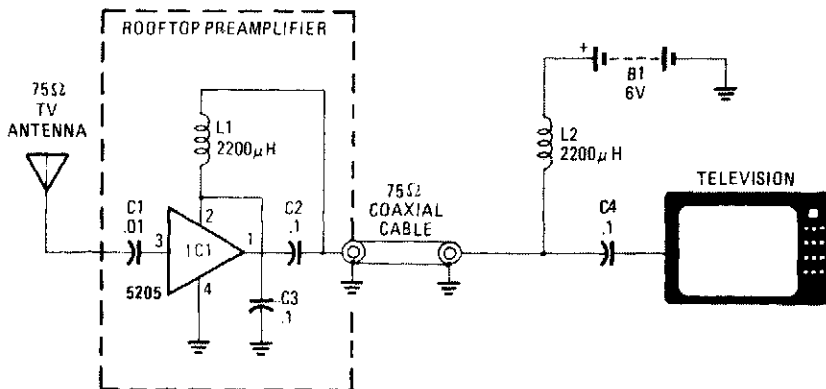
FIG. 86-6

The SD1143 transistor provides a gain of about 14 dB in this circuit. It uses the fact that a 175-MHz device has a much higher gain when used at lower frequencies. The amplifier was originally designed to be used with a transverter. The output is 8 to 10 W for a 300- to 500-mW input.

## MINIATURE WIDEBAND AMPLIFIER



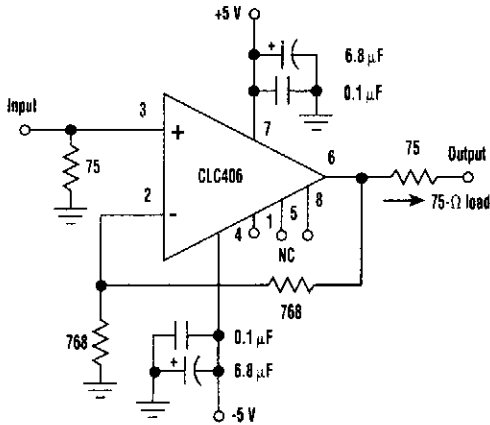
SINCE THE NE5205 FUNCTIONS as a gain block, two or more can be easily cascaded to provide additional amplification. In this circuit, which uses two NE5205s, the overall gain is <math>+0\text{ dB}</math>.



IF THE POWER SUPPLY is fed through the signal-carrying coaxial cable, the amplifier can be mounted in a weatherproof enclosure directly at the antenna.

Except for the coupling and decoupling capacitors, IC1 is a complete wideband amplifier that has a fixed gain of 20 dB to 450 MHz. No external compensation is required.

### 30-MHz AMPLIFIER

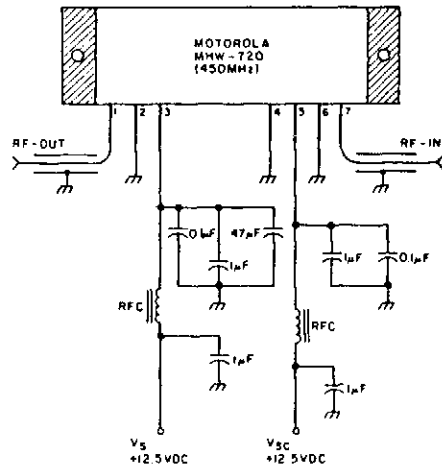


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FIG. 86-8

Using a CLC406 op amp, this video amplifier has a voltage gain of +2 and is flat to 30 MHz. The circuit should be useable in video switching and interfacing applications.

### 20-W 450-MHz AMPLIFIER

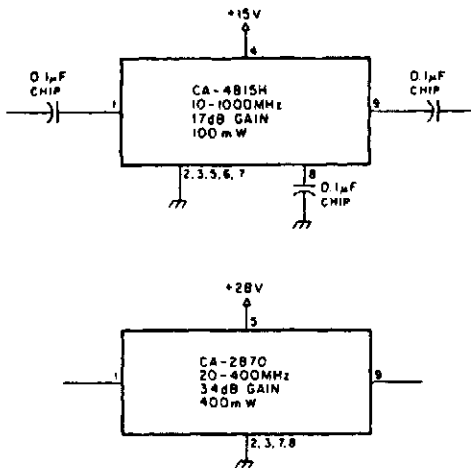


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FIG. 86-9

Delivering 20-W output, this amplifier has a gain of 21 dB at 450 MHz. A 12-V supply powers this circuit.

### WIDEBAND POWER AMPLIFIER

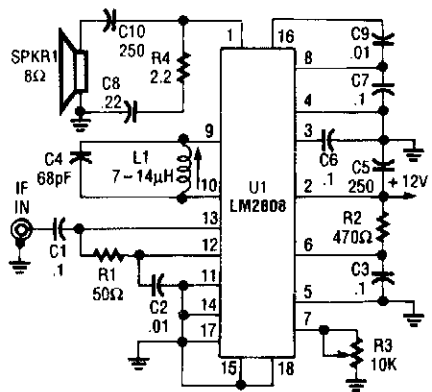


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FIG. 86-10

Using TRW P/N CA-815H, a 17-dB gain amplifier that delivers 100 mW over 10 to 1000 MHz can be constructed. The CA-2870 will yield 0.4 W with 34-dB gain from 20 to 400 MHz.

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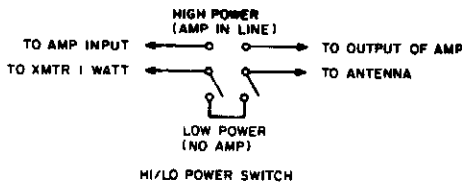
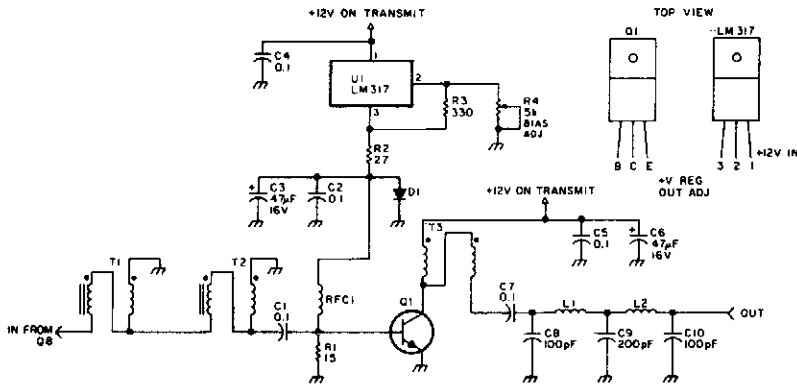


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FIG. 86-11

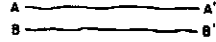
An LM2808 performs IF amplification of the 4.5-MHz sound subcarrier, limiting, detection, and audio amplification. If the center frequency must be changed, then change L1/C4. Audio output is 0.5 W. R3 is the volume control.

# 10-W 10-METER LINEAR AMPLIFIER

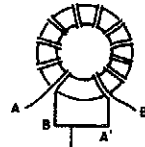


*A double-pole double-throw switch can be used to switch the amplifier in and out of the circuit.*

1. TWIST TWO ENAMELED WIRES TOGETHER. ITS HELPFUL TO USE DIFFERENT COLORS.



2. WIND THE A, B PAIR AROUND TOROID THE RIGHT NUMBER OF TURNS. 3. SOLDER END B TO END A'.



*Bifilar winding details for T1, T2 and T3.*

**Table 1. Output filter values for other bands.**

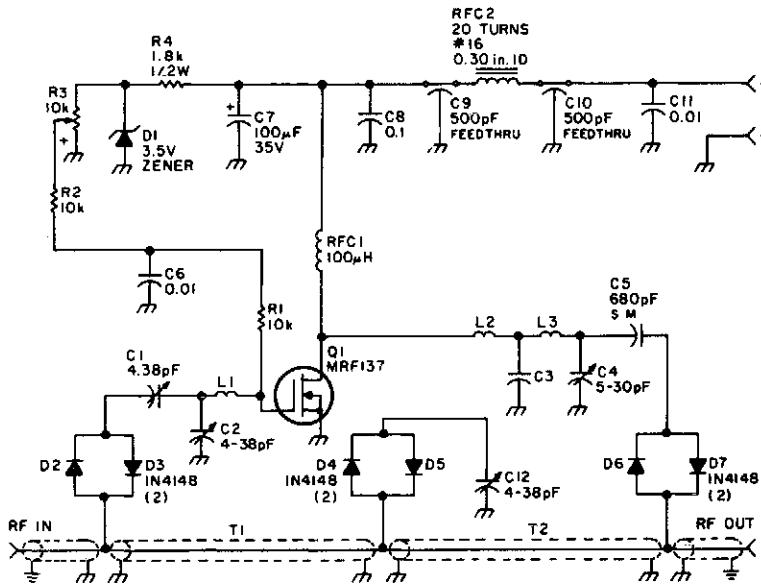
| Band (meters) | C1,C3  | C2      | L1,L2                   |
|---------------|--------|---------|-------------------------|
| 12            | 117 pF | 220 pF  | 8 turns, T-50-6 toroid  |
| 15            | 138 pF | 270 pF  | 9 turns, T-50-6 toroid  |
| 20            | 138 pF | 420 pF  | 12 turns, T-50-6 toroid |
| 30            | 289 pF | 579 pF  | 12 turns, T-50-2 toroid |
| 40            | 400 pF | 800 pF  | 14 turns, T-50-2 toroid |
| 80            | 700 pF | 1415 pF | 19 turns, T-50-2 toroid |

Note: use #26 wire for C1 and C2. Use capacitors that are closest to these suggested values. As the operating frequency decreases, the gain will increase as well as the possibility for instability. You may have to use RC feedback to negate this effect. Values for the above table were obtained from the QRP Notebook by Doug DeMaw.

This linear amplifier delivers 10-W PEP output with 1.25-W drive on 10 m. T1, T2, and T3 are 10 turns of bifilar windings on an FT-50-43 toroidal core. The transformers are broadband. Filters for other bands, if desired, are shown.



## 2-METER FET POWER AMPLIFIER FOR HTs

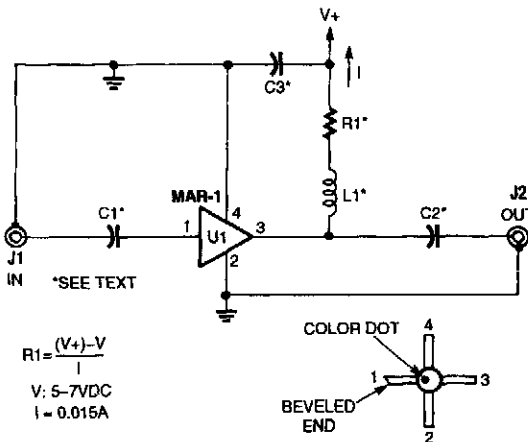


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FIG. 86-13

Using a power MOSFET, this amplifier can boast a 2-W handie-talkie power level to around 10 W on 2 meters. A transmission-line RF switch is used for T/R switching.

## RECEIVER/SCANNER PREAMP USING MAR-1 MMIC

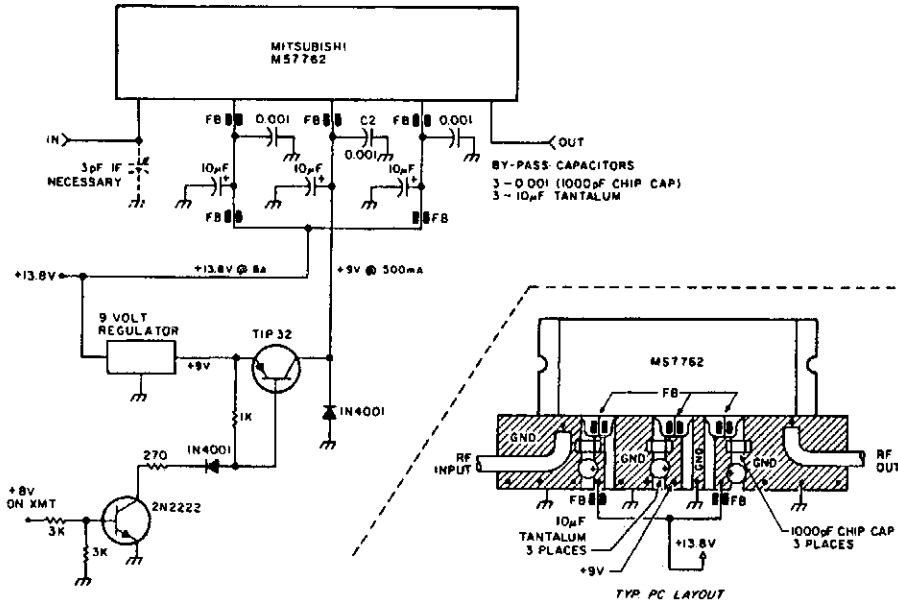


The low-cost Mini-Circuits MAR-X series of chips offer the RF builder a real advantage, with their inherent 50-Ω input and output impedances (needed for RF systems). An MAR-1-based receiver/scanner preamplifier is shown. C1 and C2 are chip capacitors. Use 0.01 µF for HF, 0.001 for VHF, and 100 pF for above 100 MHz, depending on the low-frequency limit that you desire. C3 can be a ceramic disc of 0.01 µF or 0.001 µF, depending on frequency range. L1 is an RF choke that is suitable for the frequency range that you desire (0.1 to 10 µH).

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FIG. 86-14

## 20-W 1296-MHz AMPLIFIER MODULE

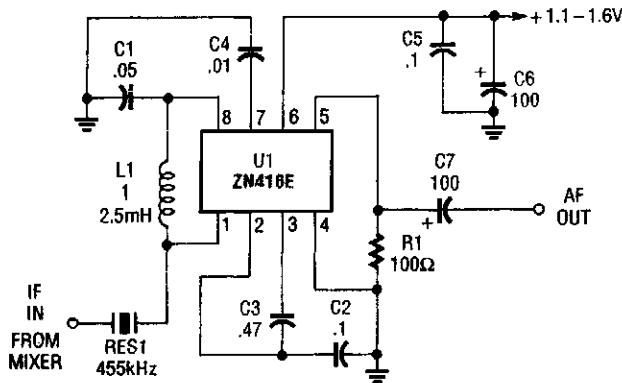


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FIG. 86-15

Using a Mitsubishi M57762-amplifier module, this amplifier delivers 20-W output on 1296 MHz. A single 12-V nominal power supply can be used.

## SIMPLE 455-kHz IF AMPLIFIER

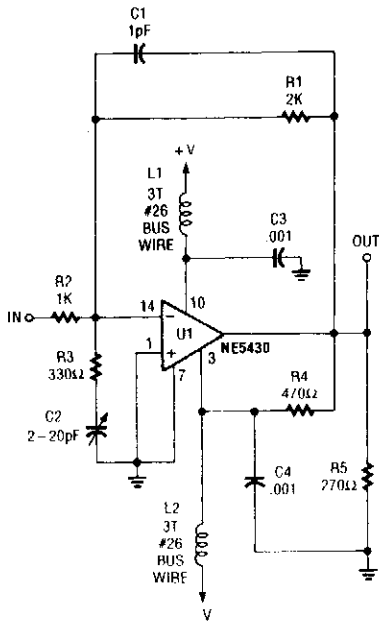


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FIG. 86-16

The ZN416E can be configured as a simple 455-kHz IF amplifier. In this case, the circuit's center frequency and bandwidth are set by RES1 (a Murata CSB455E ceramic resonator).

### UHF AMPLIFIER



NOTE  
RESISTORS-1/4 WATT CARBON  
L1 & L2 WOUND ON FERROXCUBE VK200 09/3B  
WIDEBAND THREADED CORE.

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FIG. 86-17

### 144- TO 2304-MHz UHF BROADBAND AMPLIFIER

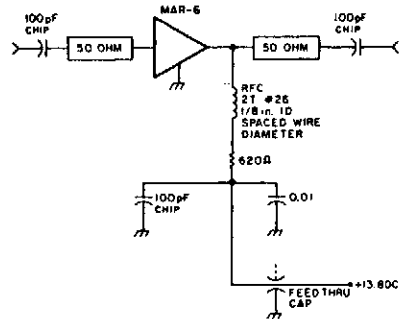
Table 1.

| Device | Max. mA | Normal Current mA. | Approx. Gain 1-GHz |
|--------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|
| MAR-1  | 40      | 20-30 mA           | 18 dB              |
| MAR-2  | 60      | 30-40 mA           | 13 dB              |
| MAR-3  | 70      | 30-50 mA           | 12 dB              |
| MAR-4  | 85      | 50-70 mA           | 8 dB               |
| MAR-6  | 50      | 15-25 mA           | 17 dB              |
| MAR-7  | 60      | 25-40 mA           | 13 dB              |
| MAR-8  | 65      | 30-50 mA           | 23 dB              |

Table 2.

MMIC Amplifier Performance

|          |         |            |
|----------|---------|------------|
| 144 MHz  | 18.2 dB | 2.7 dB N/F |
| 220 MHz  | 18.3 dB | 2.6 dB N/F |
| 432 MHz  | 16.5 dB | 2.8 dB N/F |
| 902 MHz  | 15.0 dB | 2.9 dB N/F |
| 1296 MHz | 13.0 dB | 3.5 dB N/F |
| 2304 MHz | 8.8 dB  | 4.2 dB N/F |

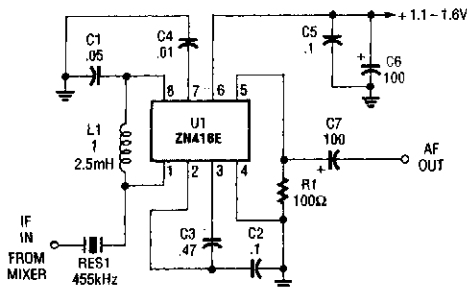


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FIG. 86-18

Based on an MAR-6 preamp, this circuit yields low noise figures and useful gain for the 144-MHz to 2304-MHz amateur bands.

### 455-kHz IF AMPLIFIER

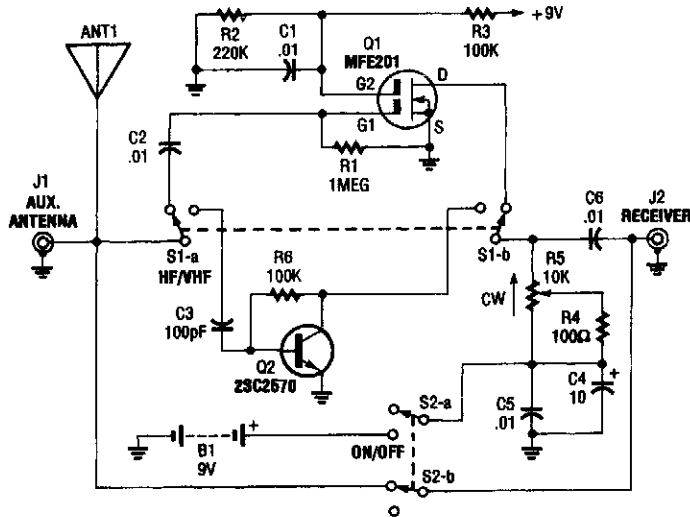


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FIG. 86-19

Up to 60 dB of gain at 455 kHz is available with the MC1350P. RES1 is a ceramic resonator, LC, or crystal filter. Keep the leads to pins, 1, 2, 3, and 7 short.

## SWITCHABLE HF/VHF ACTIVE ANTENNA

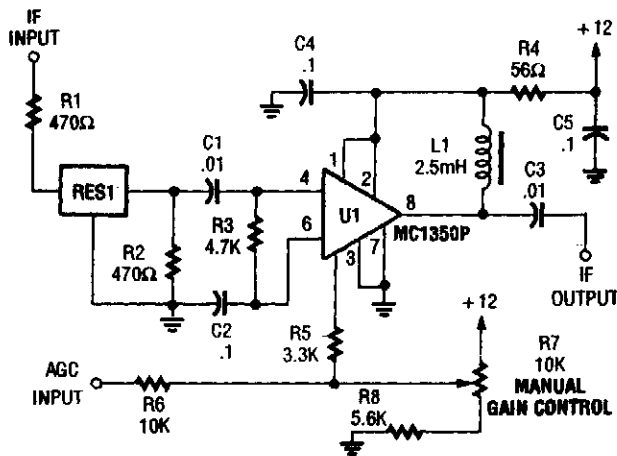


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FIG. 86-20

The AA-7 active antenna contains only two active elements: Q1 (an MFE201 N-channel dual-gate FET) and Q2 (a 2SC2570 npn VHF silicon transistor), which provide the basis of two independent, switchable RF preamplifiers.

## 455-kHz IF AMP FOR 1.5-V OPERATION

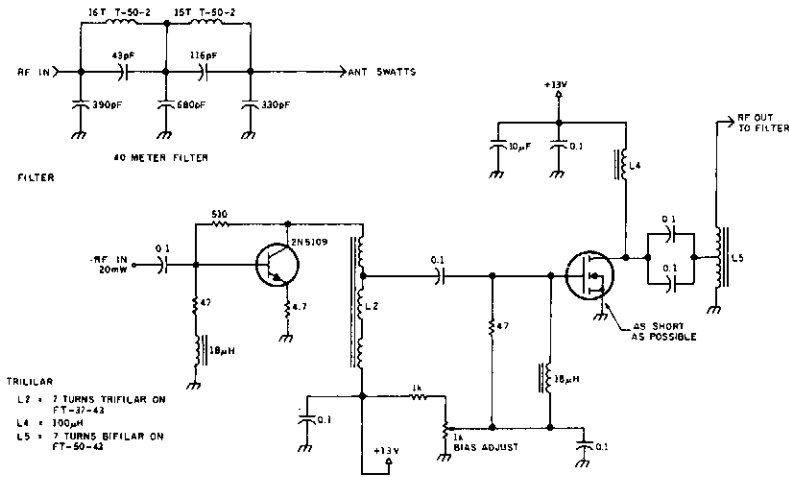


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FIG. 86-21

The ZN416E can be configured as a simple 455-kHz IF amplifier. In this case, the circuit's center and bandwidth are set by RES1 (a Murata CSB455E ceramic resonator).

## 5-W 7-MHz RF POWER AMPLIFIER

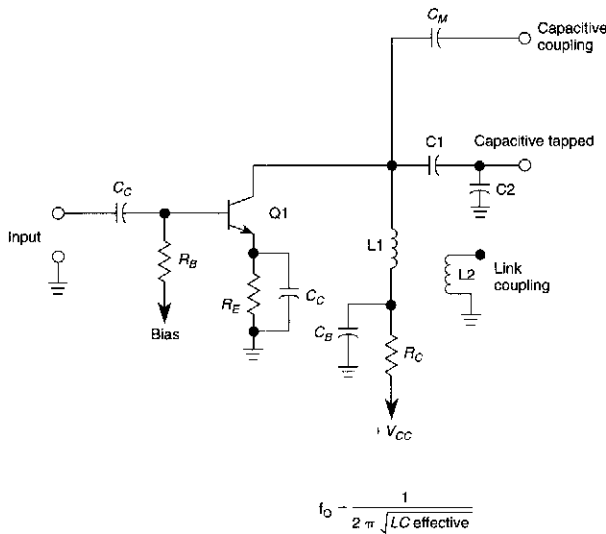


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FIG. 86-22

The circuit shown will produce up to 5-W RF output in the 40-m (7 MHz) amateur band. The coils shown are wound on toroidal cores (Armdon Associates Inc.). The part numbers are given in the schematic. The circuit requires about 20-mW drive and a 13-V supply.

## LC TUNED AMPLIFIERS



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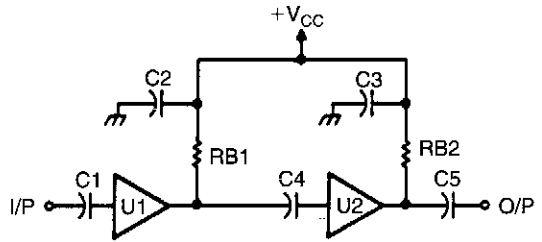
FIG. 86-23

This basic tuned LC amplifier can be used with three output coupling methods. They are capacitive coupling output, capacitive tapped output, or link-coupled output.

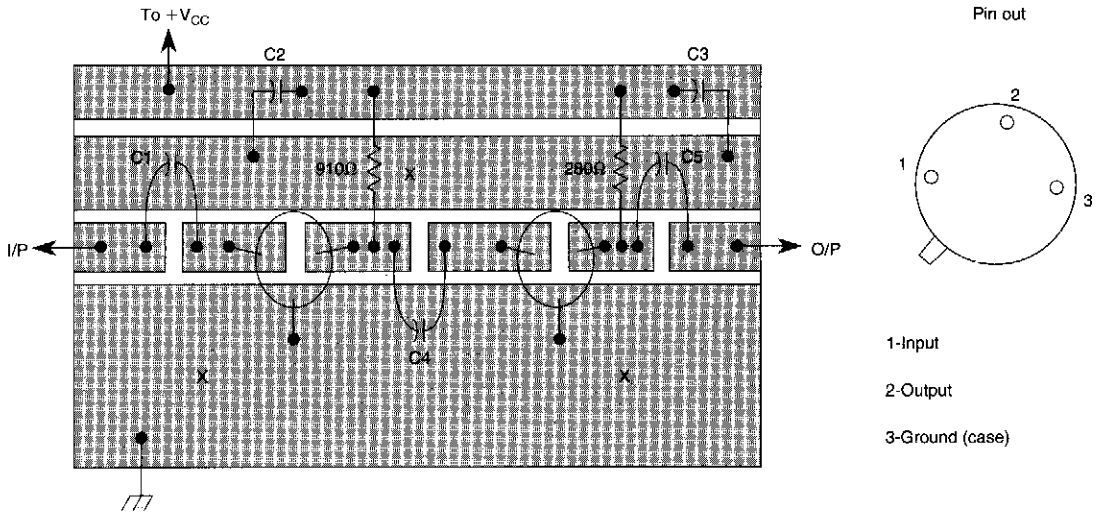
## WIDEBAND PREAMP

**Table 1.**

|        | V <sub>CC</sub> | V <sub>d</sub> | I <sub>d</sub> | R <sub>b</sub> |
|--------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| MWA110 | 5 Vdc           | 2.9 Voc        | 10 mA          | 210Ω           |
|        | 6               |                |                | 310Ω           |
|        | 12              |                |                | 910Ω           |
| MWA120 | 5               | 5.0            | 25             | 1Ω             |
|        | 6               |                |                | 40Ω            |
|        | 12              |                |                | 280Ω           |
| MWA130 | 5               | 3.2            | 25             | 85Ω            |
|        | 6               |                |                | 120Ω           |
|        | 12              |                |                | 360Ω           |



V<sub>CC</sub> = 12 Vdc; C1 to C5 = 0.1 μF; RB1 = 910Ω;  
RB2 = 280Ω; U1 = MWA110; U2 = MWA120



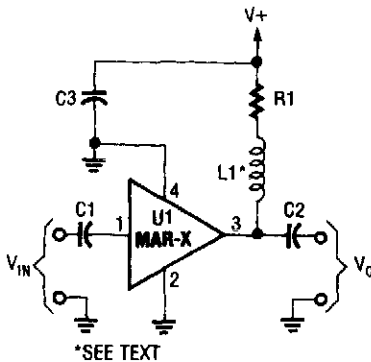
PC board layout (shading represents copper) and parts layout. "X" is the feedthrough wire to the ground plane. All capacitors are 0.1 μF. Keep all leads short.

Motorola MWA 110, 120, or 130 are wideband amplifier ICs. This wideband preamp circuit can be used in many applications. Keep the leads short when constructing the circuitry.

## RF PREAMPLIFIERS

**TABLE 1—MAR-X CAPABILITIES**

| DEVICE | MAX. FREQ.<br>(MHz) | GAIN (100/50/1000 MHz) | N.F. | COLOR  |
|--------|---------------------|------------------------|------|--------|
| MAR-1  | 1,000               | 18.5/17.5/15.5         | 5    | Brown  |
| MAR-2  | 2,000               | 13/12.8/12.5           | 6.5  | Red    |
| MAR-3  | 2,000               | 13/12.8/12.5           | 6    | Orange |
| MAR-4  | 1,000               | 8.2/8.2/8              | 7    | Yellow |
| MAR-6  | 2,000               | 20/19/16               | 2.8  | White  |
| MAR-7  | 2,000               | 13.5/13.1/12.5         | 5    | Violet |
| MAR-8  | 1,000               | 33/28/23               | 3.5  | Blue   |

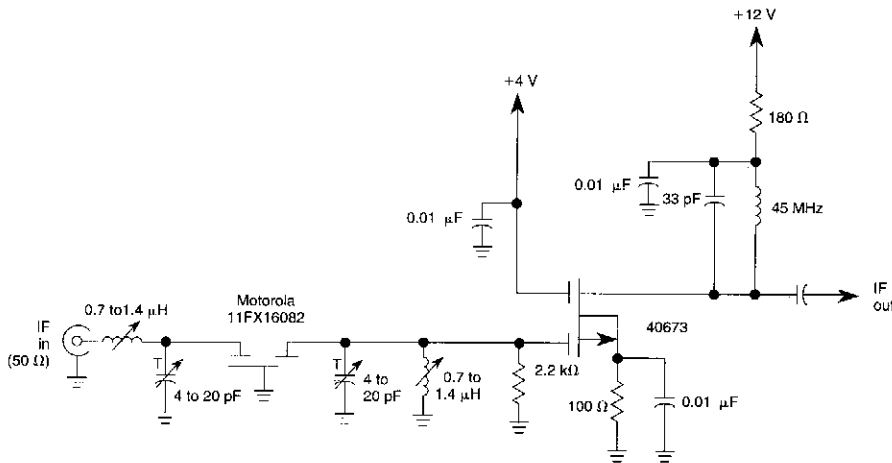


In this basic MAR-x-based circuit, both the input and output are comprised of a single dc-blocking capacitor (C1 and C2 for the input and output, respectively). The dc power-supply network (comprised of L1 and R1) is attached to the MAR-x via the RF-output terminal (lead 3).

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**FIG. 86-25**

### 45-MHz IF AMPLIFIER WITH CRYSTAL FILTER



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**FIG. 86-26**

A 40673 dual-gate MOSFET is matched to a crystal filter at 45 MHz. The filter impedance is around 2kΩ. The +4-V source can be made variable for gain control (about +4 to -4V).

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## RF Oscillator Circuits

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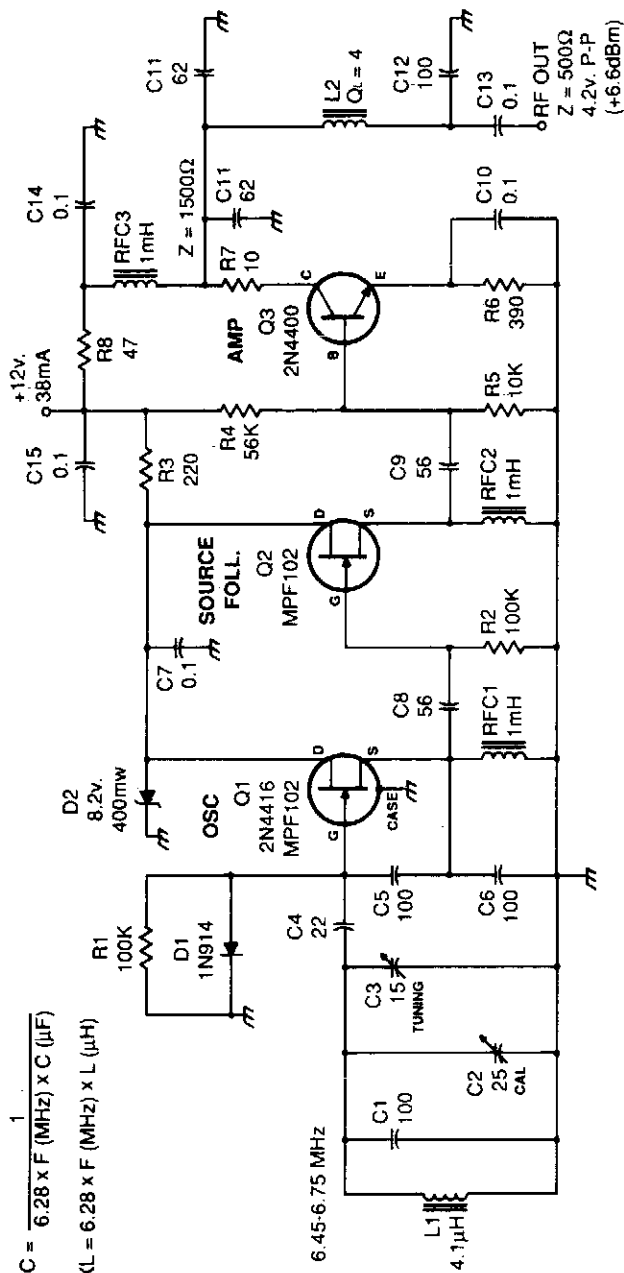
6.5-MHz VFO  
RF Signal Generator  
NE602 RF Oscillator Circuits  
A Shortwave Pulsed-Marker Oscillator  
Ham Band VFO



## 6.5-MHz VFO

$$XC = \frac{1}{6.28 \times F \text{ (MHz)} \times C \text{ (\mu F)}}$$

$$XL = 6.28 \times F \text{ (MHz)} \times L \text{ (\mu H)}$$



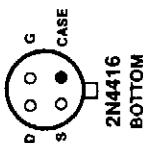
Schematic diagram of the VFO. Fixed-value capacitors are disc ceramic. C1, C4, C5, C6, and C8 are NP0 ceramic or polystyrene. C2 is a 25-pF ceramic trimmer and C3 is a 15-pF miniature air variable. Resistors are 1/4 watt carbon film or composition. The RF chokes are miniature Mouser Electronics No. 43LR103 units. For L1 use 32 turns of No. 28 enamel wire on an Amidon Assoc. T50-6 (yellow) toroid. L2 has 25 turns of No. 28 enamel wire on an Amidon FT-37-61 ferrite toroid.



2N4400



MPF102



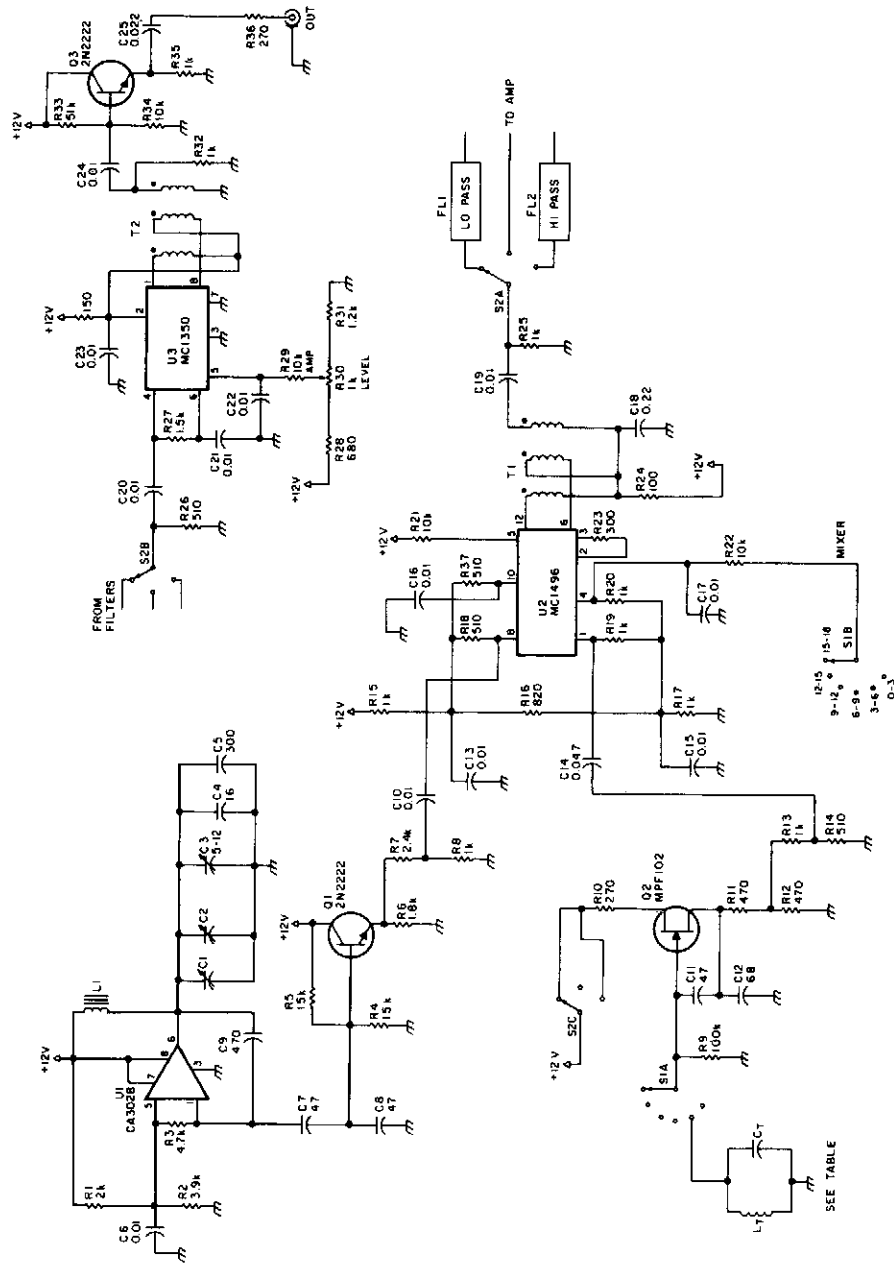
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FIG. 87-1

Fixed-value capacitors are disc ceramics. C1, C4, C5, C6, and C8 are NP0 ceramic or polystyrene. C2 is a 25-pF ceramic trimmer and C3 is a 15-pF miniature air variable capacitor. The resistors are 1/4-W carbon film or composition. The RF chokes are miniature Mouser Electronics No. 43LR103 units. For L1, use 32 turns of #28 enamel wire on an Amidon Assoc. T50-6 (yellow) toroid. L2 has 25 turns of #28 enamel wire on an Amidon Ft-37-61 ferrite toroid.

RF SIGNAL GENERATOR

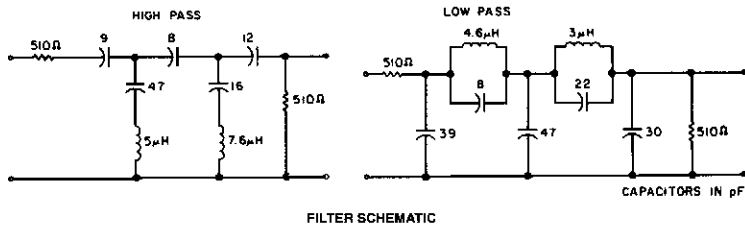


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FIG. 87-2A

This circuit uses a VFO operating from 15 to 18 MHz (U1), which feeds a balanced mixer (U2). A fixed oscillator signal is mixed with this signal to generate an output from 0.4 to 33 MHz. FL1 and FL2 are low- and high-pass filters that are used to eliminate undesired mixer products. Amplifier U3/Q3 supplies up to 200 mV rms to the output jack.

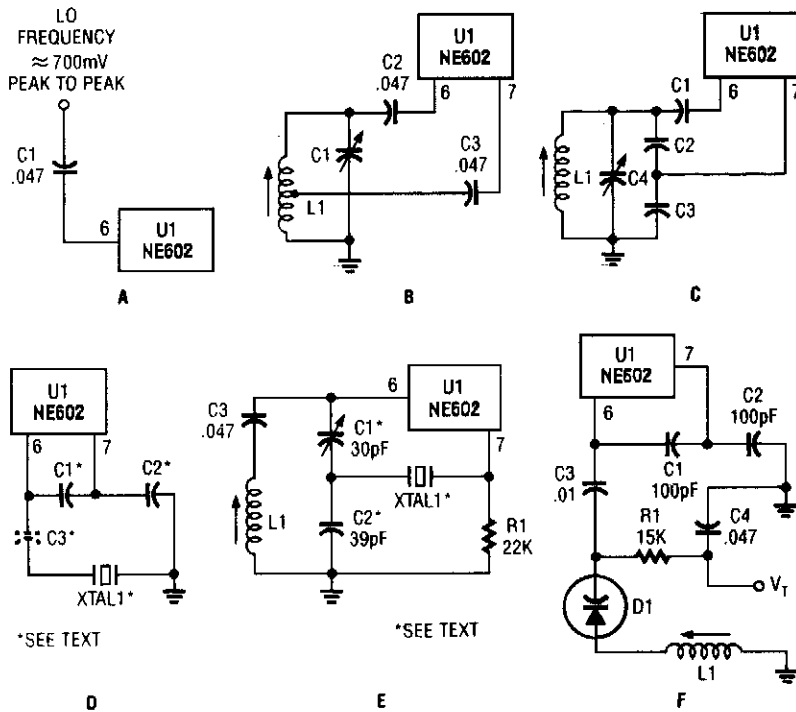
## RF SIGNAL GENERATOR (Cont.)



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FIG. 87-2B

## NE602 RF OSCILLATOR CIRCUITS

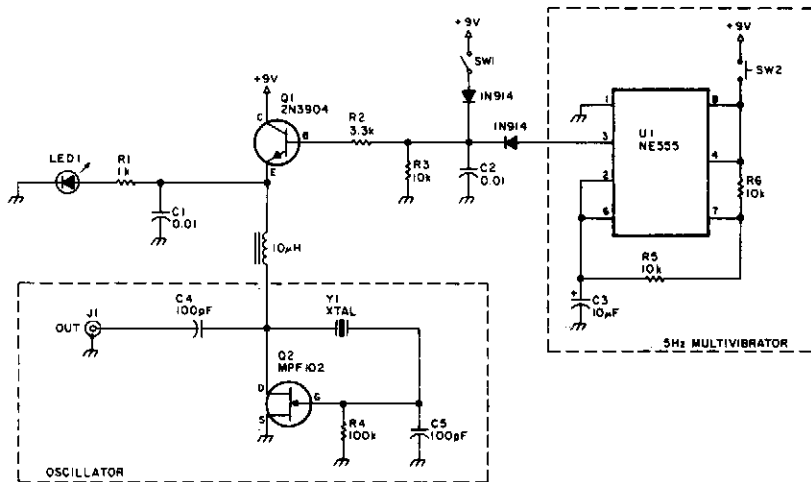


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FIG. 87-3

Just about any standard oscillator (such as a Colpitts or Hartley configuration) can be used to generate the LO (local oscillator) frequency needed by the NE602.

## A SHORTWAVE PULSED-MARKER OSCILLATOR

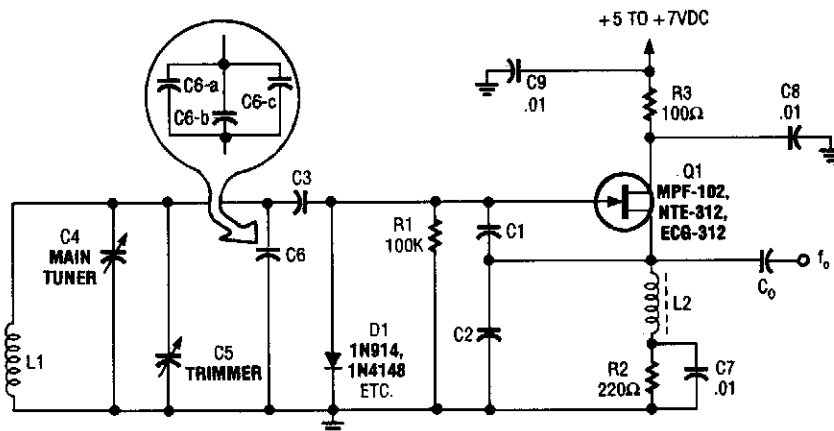


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FIG. 87-4

A useful marker oscillator can be made using an NE555 to pulse the oscillator at an audio rate. This makes it easy to find the signal in the presence of interference. The crystal can be any suitable frequency from 1 to 30 MHz.

## HAM BAND VFO



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FIG. 87-5

This basic VFO for the 3- to 6-MHz range is commonly used in amateur applications, using a Colpitts circuit. For 5 to 5.5 MHz,  $C_1 = C_2 = 70$  pF and for 3.5 to 4.0 MHz, use 1000 pF.  $C_3$  is typically 10 to 220 pF, depending on the frequency.  $C_4$ ,  $C_5$ , and  $C_6$ , together with  $C_3$ , determine the frequency along with  $L_1$ .  $C_6$  can be made up of several smaller values, paralleled to get the exact required value.

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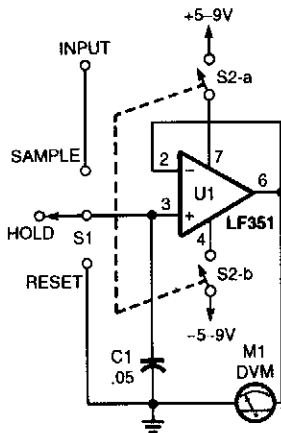
## Sample-and-Hold Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sample-and-Hold Circuit I  
Sample-and-Hold Circuit II

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD CIRCUIT I

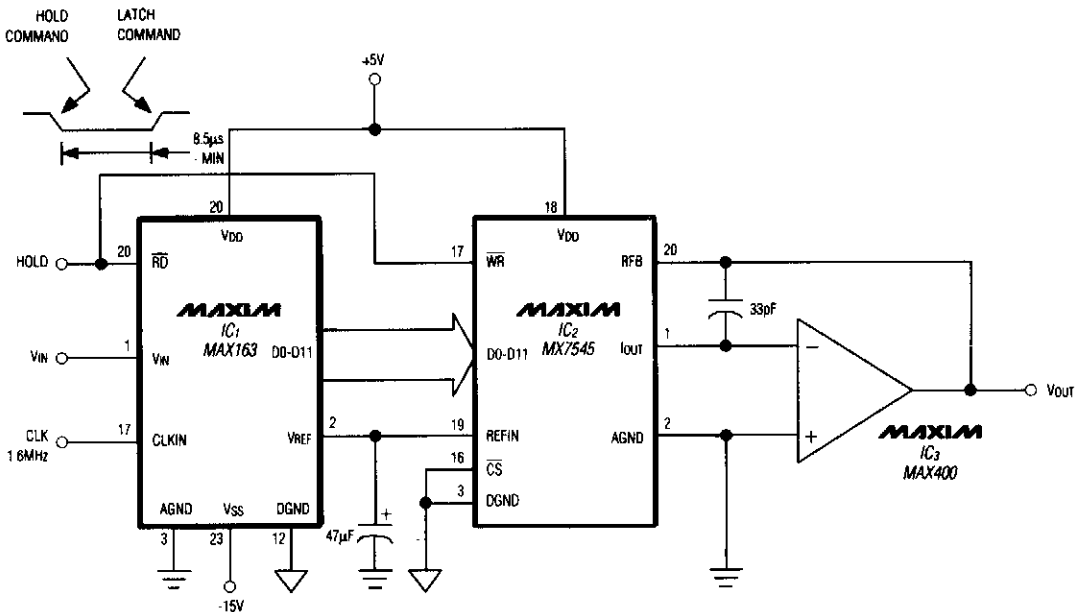


This circuit demonstrates the principle of the sample-and-hold circuit. S1 can be replaced by electronic switches (FET, etc.) in an actual application.

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FIG. 88-1

## SAMPLE-AND-HOLD CIRCUIT II



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FIG. 88-2

Driving a D/A converter with an A/D converter provides an overall analog-hold function, which though limited in output resolution, offers zero voltage droop and infinite hold time. The A/D converter shown (IC1) includes a 12-bit compatible track/hold at its input. The track/hold specifies a 6-MHz full-power bandwidth, a 30-ns aperture delay, and a 50-ps aperture jitter. The direct connections shown allow the D/A converter to reconstruct signal levels within the input range of 0 to 5 V.

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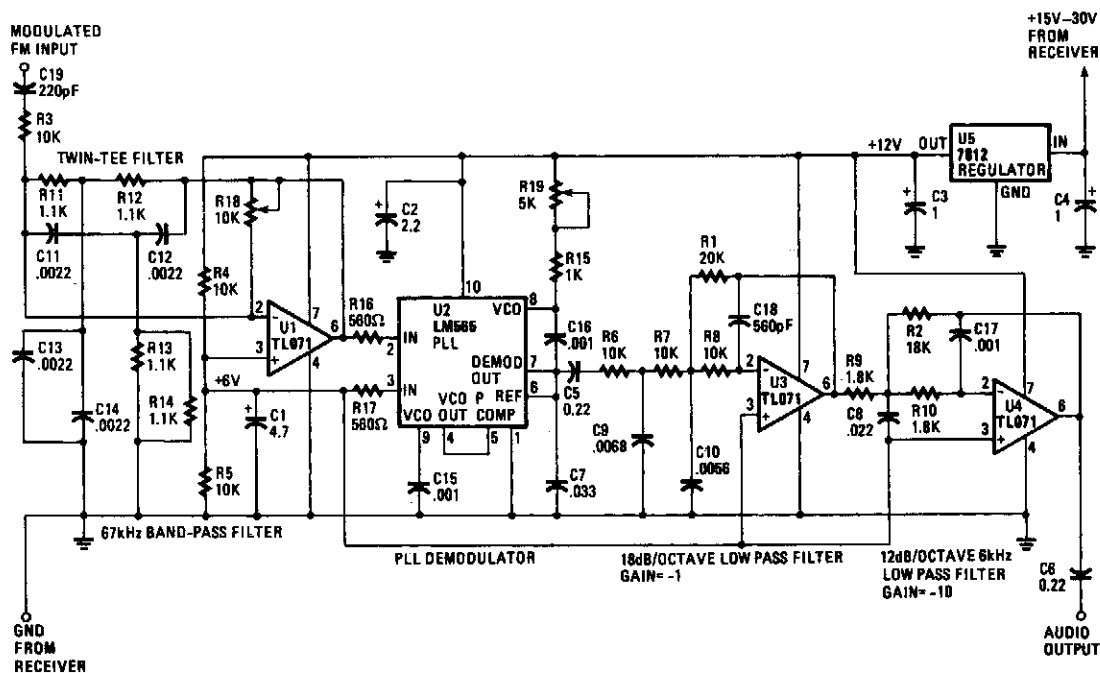
## **SCA Circuit**

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Subcarrier Adapter for FM Tuners

## SUBCARRIER ADAPTER FOR FM TUNERS



Op amp U1 and its associated components comprise the 67-kHz bandpass filter. A twin-T network, comprised of four 1100-Ω resistors and four 0.0022-μF capacitors, is connected in the feedback network of the op amp. That gives some gain at 67 kHz and heavy attenuation for frequencies above and below that frequency.

An additional passive filter at the input to the twin-T network (containing a 220-pF capacitor and a 10,000-Ω resistor) provides some additional roll-off for frequencies below 67 kHz.

In practice, the bandpass-filter action covers a frequency range of about 10 kHz above and below the 67-kHz center frequency. Resistor R18 sets the gain of the bandpass-filter stage.

Integrated-circuit U2 is a National LM565 phase-locked loop that modulates the 67-kHz frequency-modulated (FM) signal from U1. The LM565 PLL consists of a voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO) set to 67 kHz, and a comparator that compares the incoming frequency-modulated 67-kHz signal at pin 2 with the VCO signal that is fed into pin 5.

The output of the comparator represents the phase difference between the incoming signal and the VCO signal. Therefore, the output is the audio modulated by the subcarrier. A treble deemphasis of 150 μs is provided by a 0.033-μF capacitor (at pin 7).

The free-running VCO frequency is determined by the 0.001-μF capacitor at pin 9 and by the resistance between the positive rail and pin 8 (100 Ω in series with R19). Variable-resistor R19 adjusts the oscillator frequency (also known as the *center frequency*) so that the incoming signal is within the lock range of the PLL.



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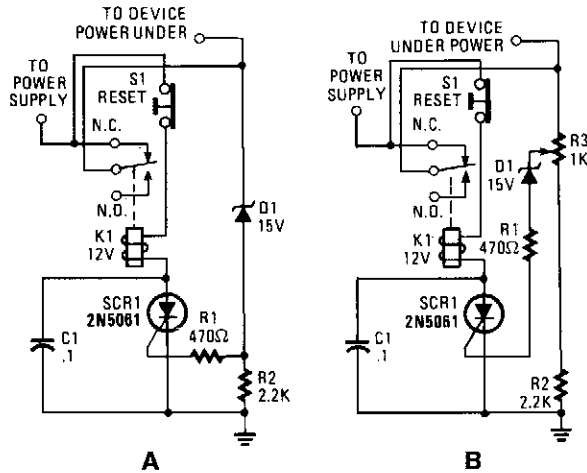
## **Shutdown Circuits**

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Resettable Shutdown Circuits  
Shutdown Circuit

## RESETTABLE SHUTDOWN CIRCUITS



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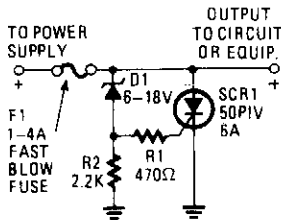
FIG. 90-1

If your circuits experience frequency overvoltage conditions, continually replacing blown fuses can get pretty expensive. However, this shutdown circuit overcomes that deficiency by replacing the fuse with a relay and a low-current SCR.

When the input voltage rises above the threshold set by the Zener diode (D1), a current of sufficient magnitude is applied to the gate of SCR1, which turns it on. That draws current through the relay coil and energizes it, which swings its commutator to its normally open contact, and disrupts power to the circuit under power. Switch S1, a normally closed pushbutton switch, is used to reset the circuit; it does so by interrupting power to the relay. When S1 is pressed, the relay's wiper arm returns to the normally closed position, restoring power to the connected circuit.

If you deal with a number of circuits that have different burn-out levels, try the circuit in B. That circuit variation, a variable trip-point shutdown circuit, allows you to adjust the shutdown threshold to whatever level you desire. The circuit adjustment allows for the 30% variance in the trip point. The zener diode should be selected to have a voltage rating that is slightly lower than the minimum desired threshold voltage.

## SHUTDOWN CIRCUIT



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FIG. 90-2

Many modern devices have shutdown circuits that are designed to remove power from the device under power when the voltage rises above a predetermined threshold. This one blows a fuse to protect the device under power.

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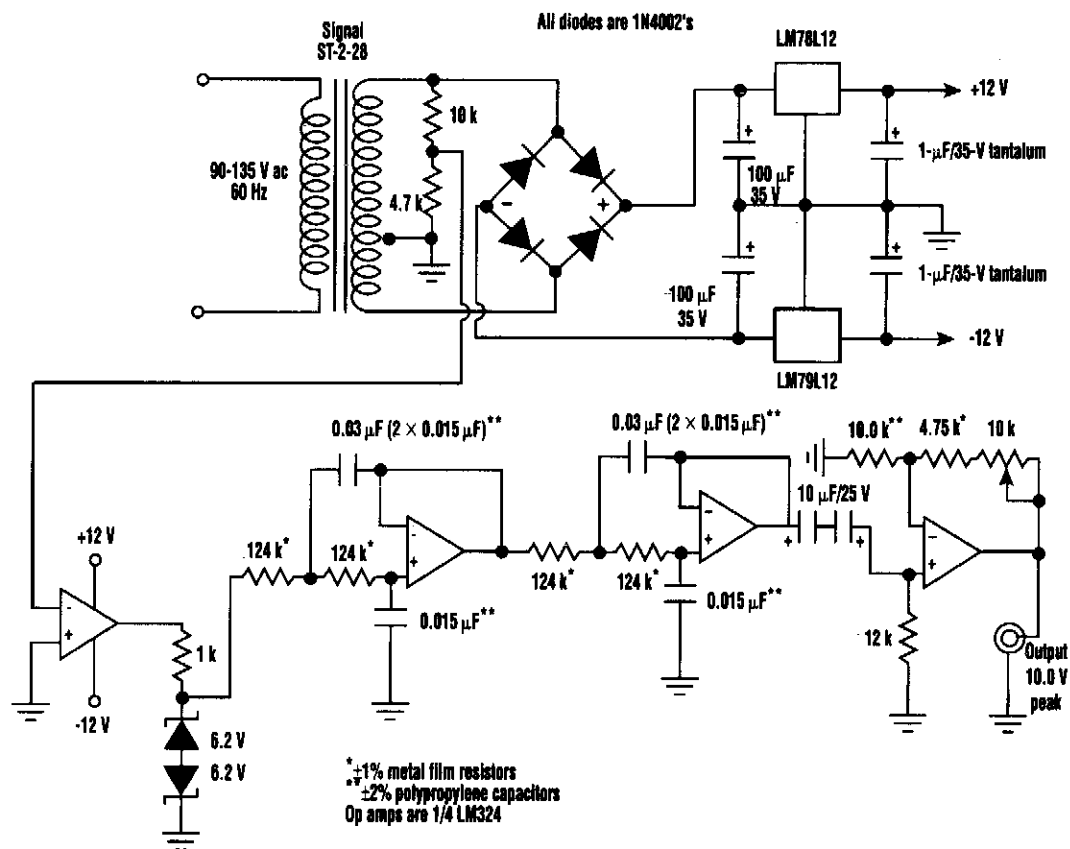
## Sine-Wave Oscillator Circuits

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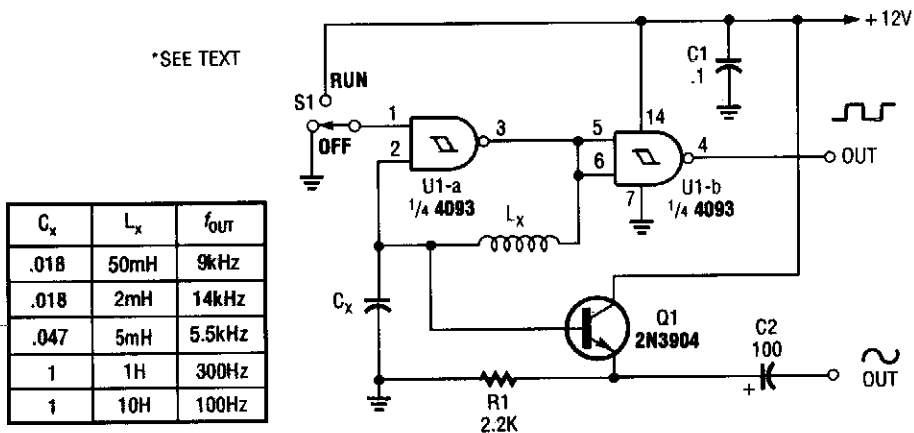
- Highly Stable 60-Hz Sine-Wave Source
- Simple Sine-Wave Oscillator
- Wien-Bridge Sine-Wave Oscillator
- Battery-Powered Sine-Wave Generator
- 1-Hz Sine-Wave Oscillator
- Simple Sine-Wave Generator
- Sine-Wave Generator
- Sine-Wave Shaper
- Pure Sine-Wave Generator

## HIGHLY STABLE 60-Hz SINE-WAVE SOURCE



A highly-stable 60-Hz sine wave can be delivered with this circuit, which offers a different and much simpler approach to gaining a stable amplitude. Capacitor coupling the last stage removes any dc component caused by unequal zener voltages in the clipping circuit that follows the comparator.

### SIMPLE SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

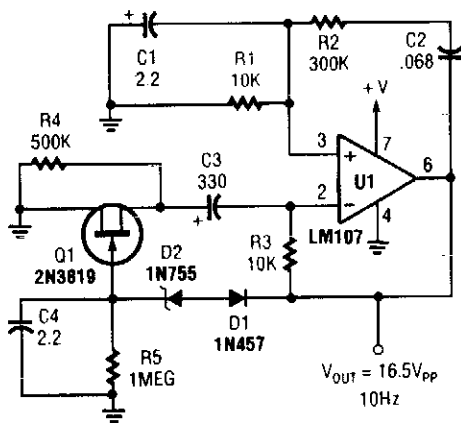


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FIG. 91-2

Using an LC circuit, this CMOS oscillator generates sine waves.

### WIEN-BRIDGE SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

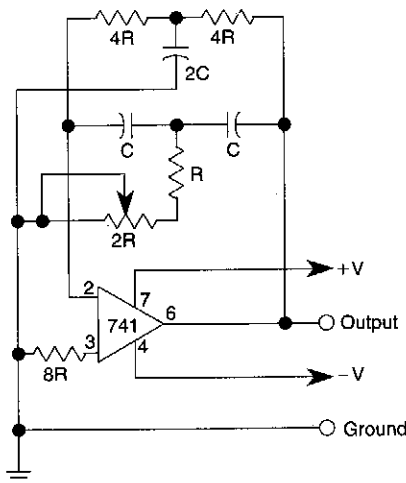


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FIG. 91-3

This Wien-bridge sine-wave oscillator uses a 2N3819 as an amplitude stabilizer. The 2N3819 acts as a variable-resistance element in the Wien bridge.

### BATTERY-POWERED SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



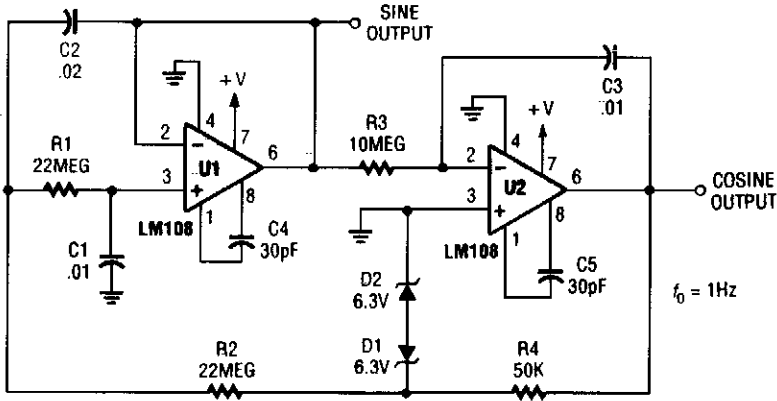
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FIG. 91-4

The quality of the sine wave depends on how closely you match the components in the twin-T network in the op amp's feedback loop.

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

## 1-Hz SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

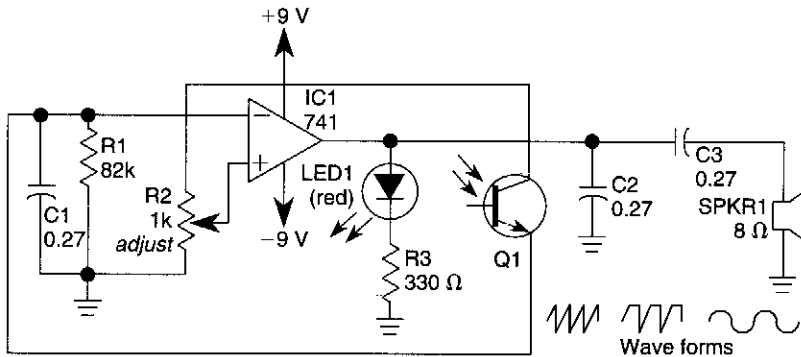


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FIG. 91-5

This circuit produces a 1-Hz sine wave using two op amps. A single-chip dual op amp could be used as well.

## SIMPLE SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



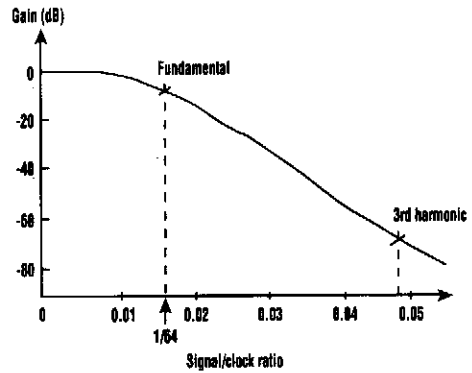
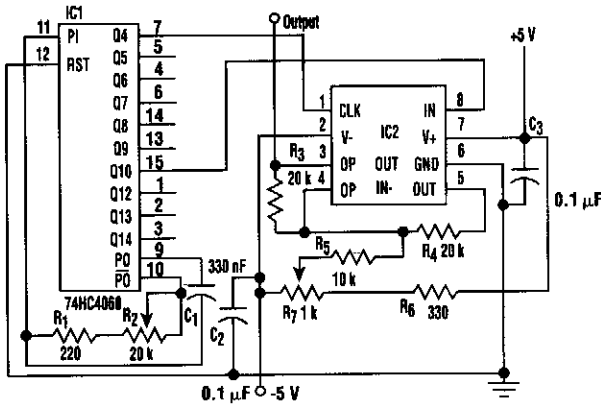
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FIG. 91-6

A 555 timer operating in the astable mode generates the driving pulses and two 4518 dual BCD (binary coded decimal) counters provide the square waves. A TL081 op amp serves as an output buffer-amplifier, and potentiometers R1 and R2 are used in order to control the pulse's frequency and amplitude, respectively.

The output-frequency range can be varied by changing  $C_x$ . For example, a value of  $0.1 \mu\text{F}$  gives a range from about 0.1 to 30 Hz, and a value of 470 pF gives a range from about 10 Hz to 1.5 kHz. The maximum output frequency is 30 kHz.

## SINE-WAVE GENERATOR

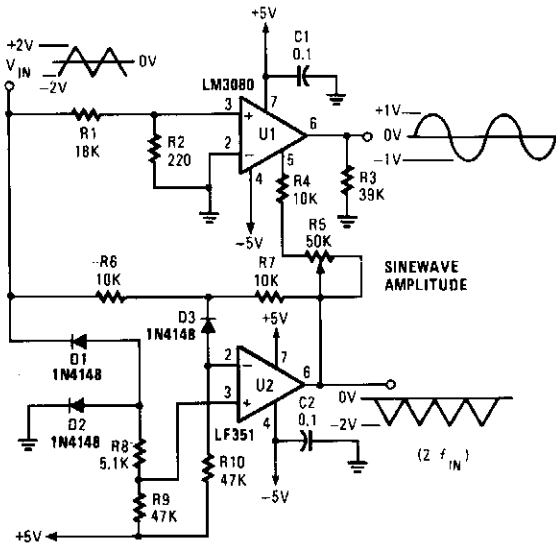


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FIG. 91-7

In this circuit, a square wave is filtered by a high-order low-pass filter so that a  $-3$ -dB frequency will eliminate most harmonics of the waveform. As a result, the filter outputs a fundamental sine wave. This method is applied to generate a sine wave by using a switched-capacitor filter (MAX292) (see the figure). This circuit offers wide frequency range (0.1 Hz to 25 kHz), low distortion, and constant output amplitude throughout the whole frequency range.

## SINE-WAVE SHAPER

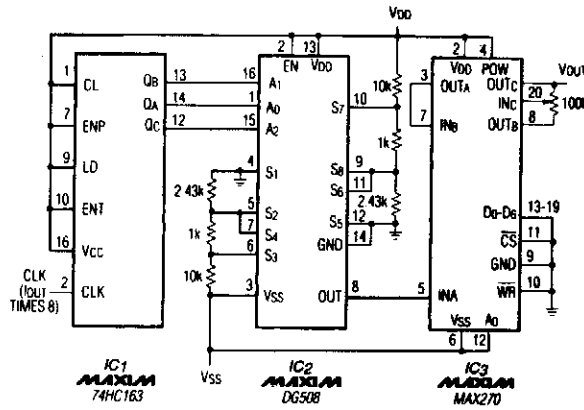


Unlike most sine-wave shapers, this circuit is temperature stable. It varies the gain of a transconductance amplifier to transform an input triangle wave into a good sine-wave approximation.

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FIG. 91-8

## PURE SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



**NOTES:**  
VDD TYPICALLY IS 5V  
VSS TYPICALLY IS -5V

A TTL counter, an 8-channel analog multiplexer, and a fourth-order low-pass filter can generate 10- to 25-kHz sine waves with a THD better than -80 dB. The circuit cascades the two second-order, continuous-time Sallen-Key filters within IC3 to implement the fourth-order low-pass filter.

To operate the circuit, choose the filter's cutoff frequency,  $f_C$ , by tying IC3's  $D_0$  through  $D_6$  inputs to 5 V or ground. The cutoff frequency can be at 128 possible levels between 1 and 25 kHz, depending on those seven digital input levels. Because the circuit ties  $D_0$  through  $D_6$  to ground,  $f_C$  equals 1 kHz. The 100-k $\Omega$  potentiometer adjusts the output level between  $V_{DD} - 1.5$  V and  $V_{SS} + 1.5$  V.



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## Sound- and Voice-Controlled Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Vocal Stripper
- Sleep-Mode Circuit
- Sonic Kaleidoscope
- Automatic Fader
- Voice Identifier for Ham Radio Use
- Whistle Switch
- Audio Light
- Voice-Activated Switch and Amplifier
- Audio-Controlled Switch
- Speech Scrambler
- Audio-Controlled Mains Switch

# VOCAL STRIPPER

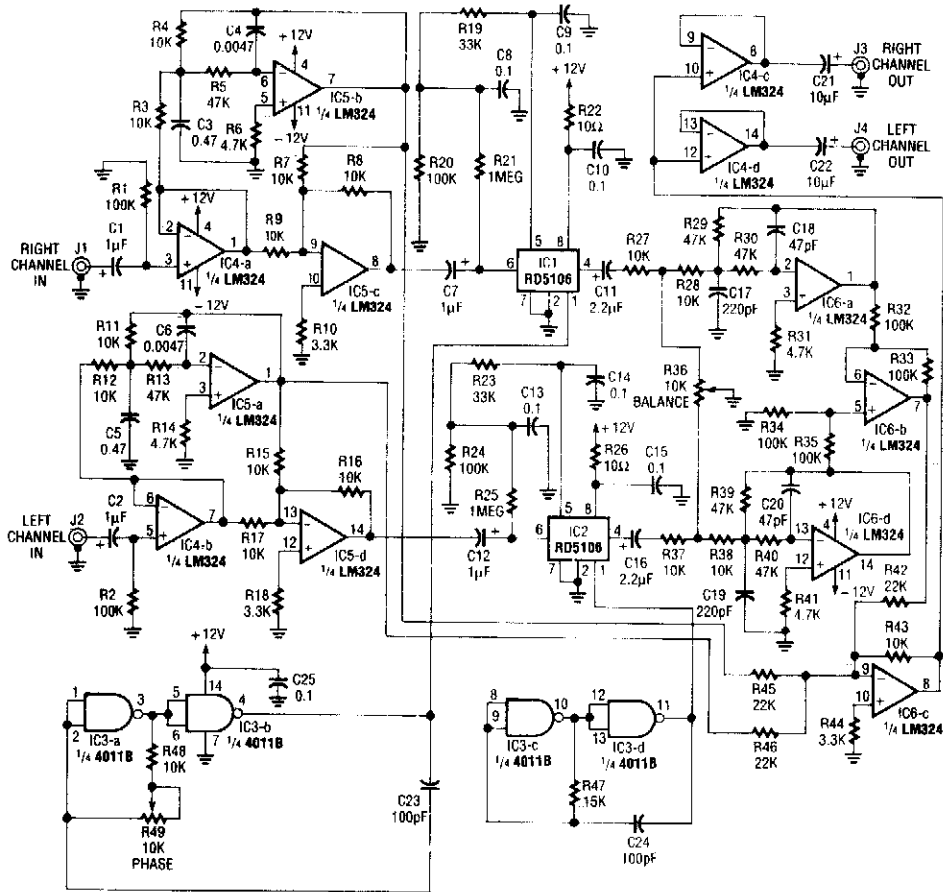


FIG. 92-1A

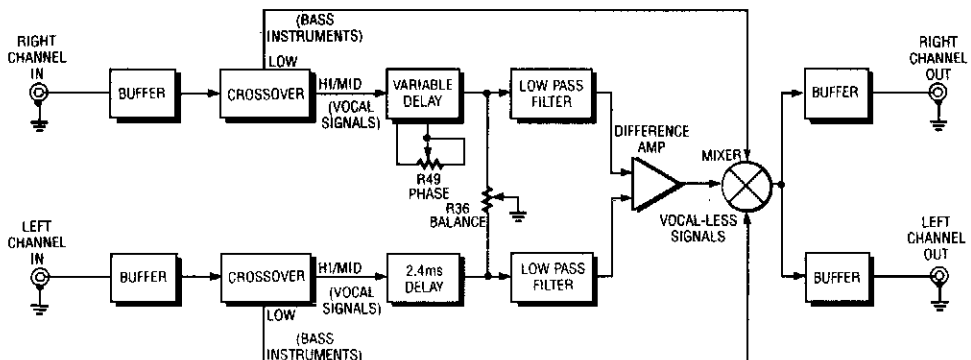


FIG. 92-1B

## VOCAL STRIPPER (Cont.)

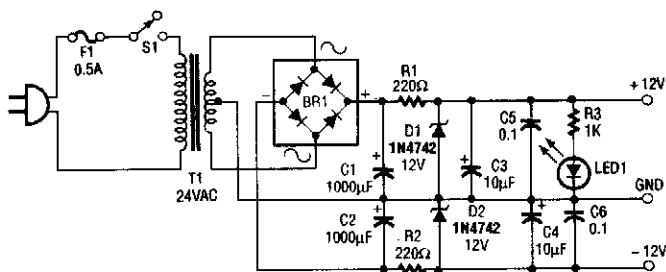
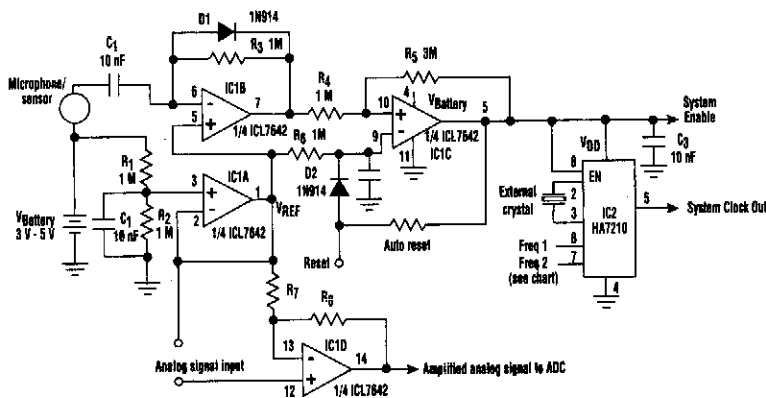


FIG. 92-1C

Right- and left-channel signals pass through IC4-a and -b buffer amps into active crossover IC5; low frequencies are sent to the IC6-c mixer, and middle and high frequencies are sent to the analog delay lines of IC1 and IC2. That output passes through IC6-a and -d to filter high-frequency sample steps. IC6-b signals are remixed with low frequencies by IC6-c and are sent to final out via IC4-c and -d buffers.

One channel (R) is a variable-delay circuit, using an analog bucket-brigade device and a variable clock frequency. This is compared in amplitude and phase to the L channel (fixed delay). The local can therefore be nulled out via R36.

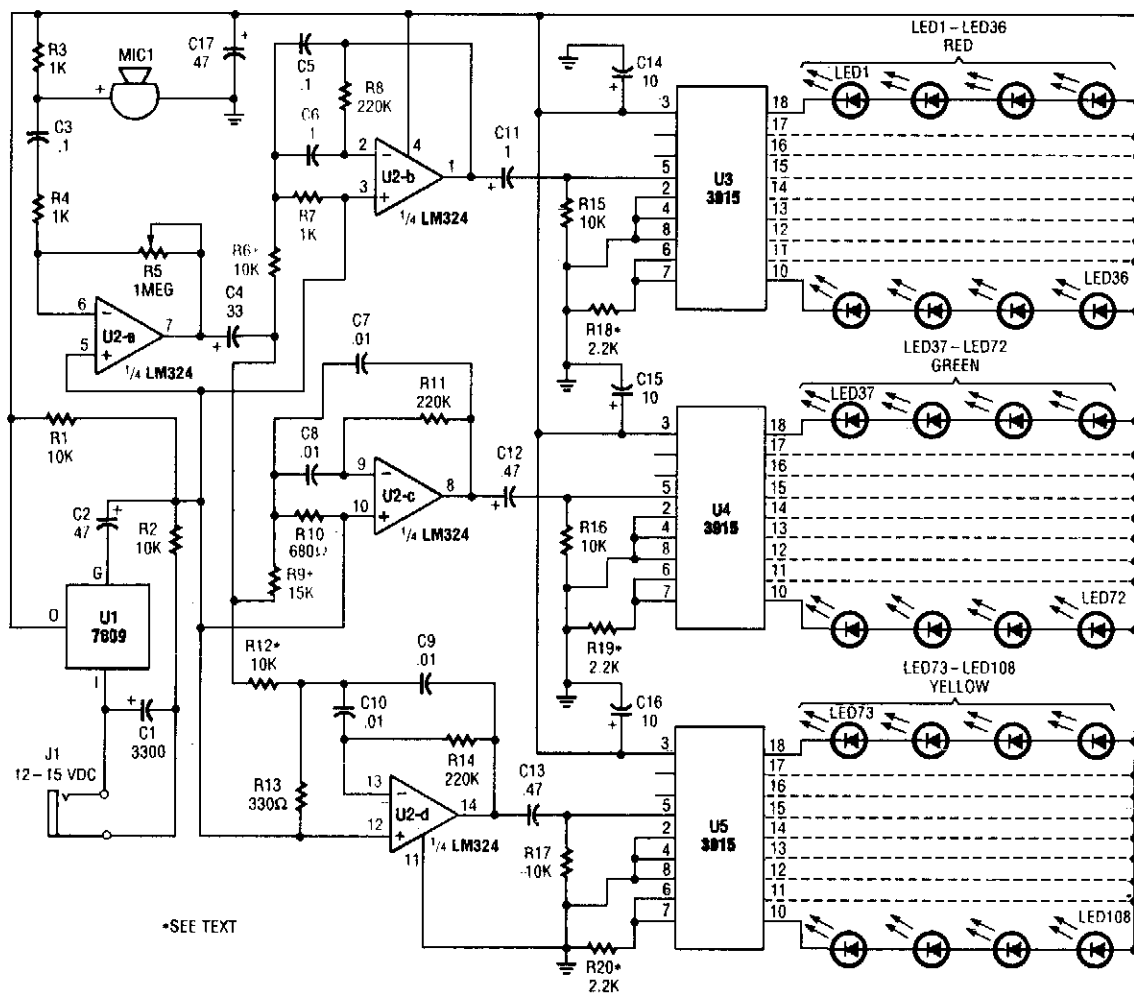
## SLEEP-MODE CIRCUIT



| HA7210 OSCILLATOR CONTROL INPUTS |        |        |                |  |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|----------------|--|
| Enable                           | Freq 1 | Freq 2 | Output range   |  |
| 1                                | 1      | 1      | 10 kHz-100 kHz |  |
| 1                                | 1      | 0      | 100 kHz-1 MHz  |  |
| 1                                | 0      | 1      | 1 kHz-5 MHz    |  |
| 1                                | 0      | 0      | 5 MHz-10 MHz + |  |
| 0                                | X      | X      | High impedance |  |

The HA7210 oscillator IC combines with an ICL7642 quad CMOS op amp to produce a sleep-mode control circuit. The circuit is put into the sleep mode with a logic high applied to the Reset input or with an RC timer for automatic reset. The system is awakened by a signal from the microphone/sensor.

## SONIC KALEIDOSCOPE

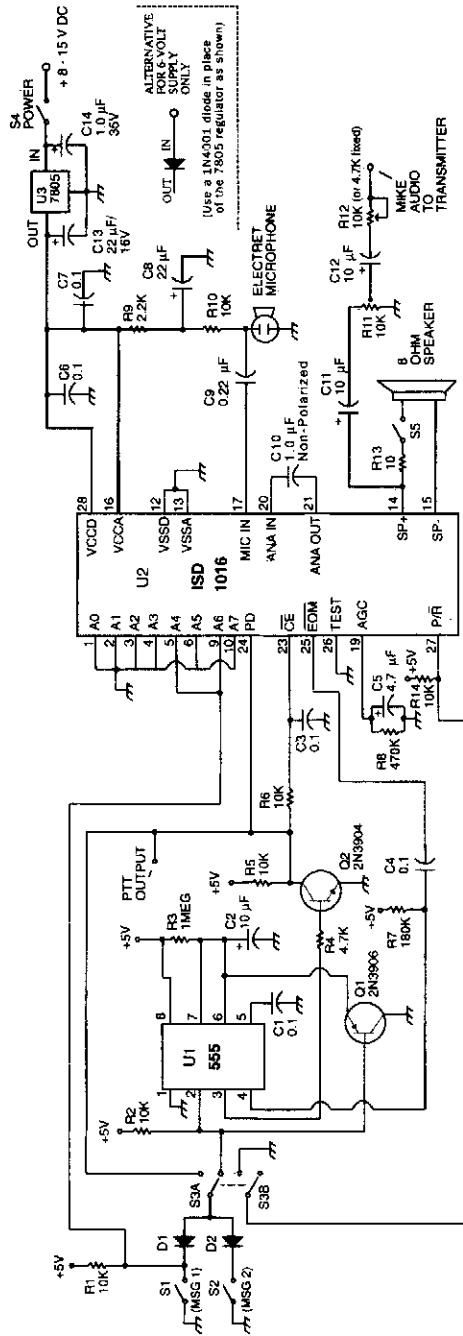


The microphone input, MIC1, is fed through C3 and R4 to inverting amplifier U2-a; the gain of U2-a is controlled by potentiometer R5. The output of U2-a is fed through C4 to the remaining op-amps (U2-b, U2-c, U2-d), which are all configured as band-pass filters. Each filter is tuned to pass a different range of frequencies by its resistor/capacitor combination. With the values shown, U2-b, U2-c, and U2-d have center frequencies of roughly 100, 1000 and 1500 Hz, respectively.

Resistors R6, R9, R12 control the bandwidth and gain of their respective filter circuits, and can range in value from 10 to 15 kΩ. The output of U2-b is capacitively coupled via C11 to the input of U3, with R15 serving as the load resistor for U2-b. That resistor also keeps U3's outputs from "floating" in the absence of a signal. Connected as shown, U3 uses its own internal voltage reference to make a full-scale display of 1.2 V.



## VOICE IDENTIFIER FOR HAM RADIO USE

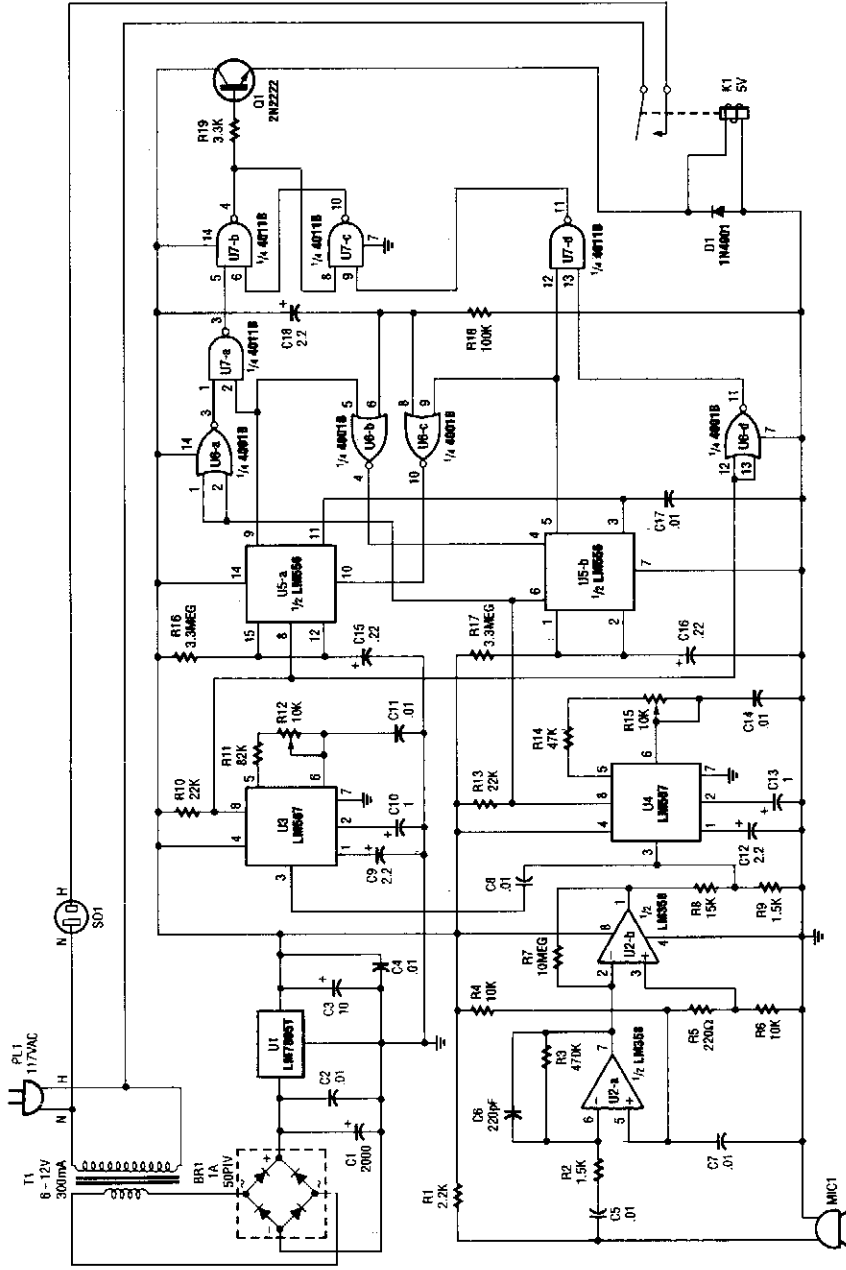


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FIG. 92-5

Using an ISD1016 audio record/playback chip (Information Storage Devices, Inc.), this circuit records and plays back messages on command. Although intended for use with transmitters, it can be used as an electronic notepad, etc. Consult the ISD1016 data sheet for other applications.

# WHISTLE SWITCH

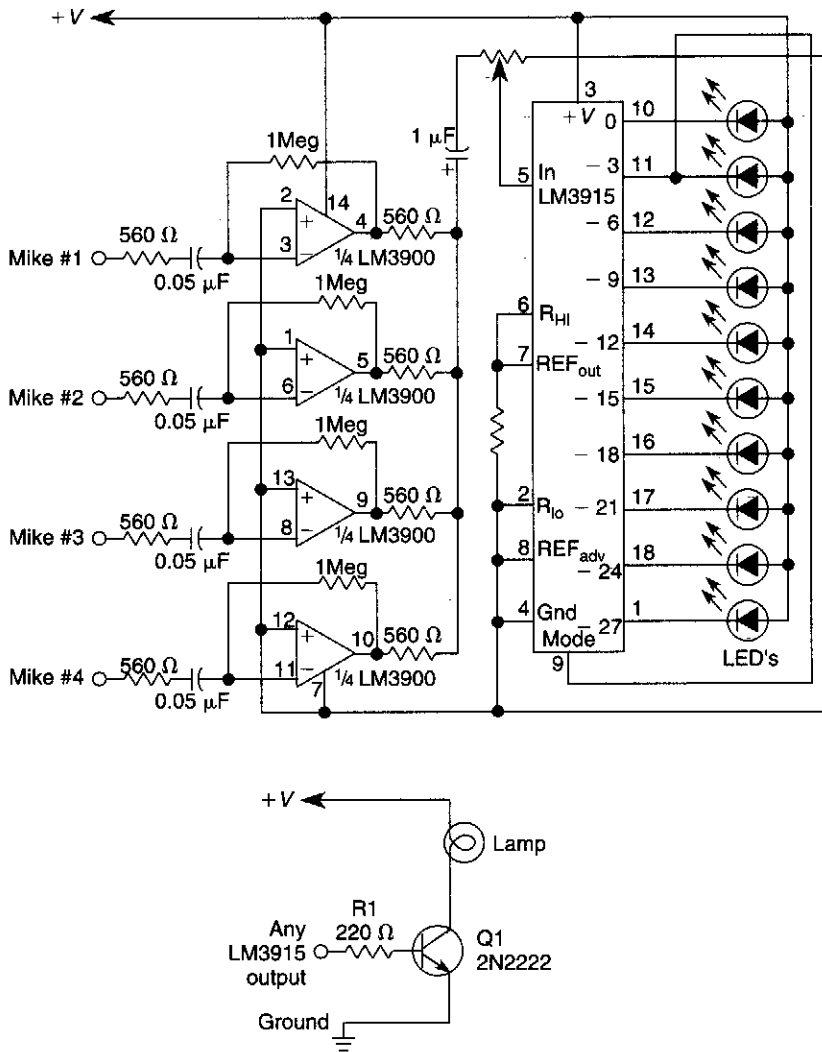


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FIG. 92-6

At the heart of the whistle switch are a pair of tone detectors, each of which is built around an LM567 tone decoder, which are supported by a minimum of additional components. This whistle switch is designed to respond to only two or more occurrences of a specific tone, or sequence of tones, within a specified period to prevent false triggering. Depending on the relay used, various ac loads can be controlled. Microphone MIC1 picks up the sound and U2 amplifies the signal and feeds it to tone decoders U3 and U4. These devices trigger U5-a and U5-b and the logic circuits that drive relay K1.

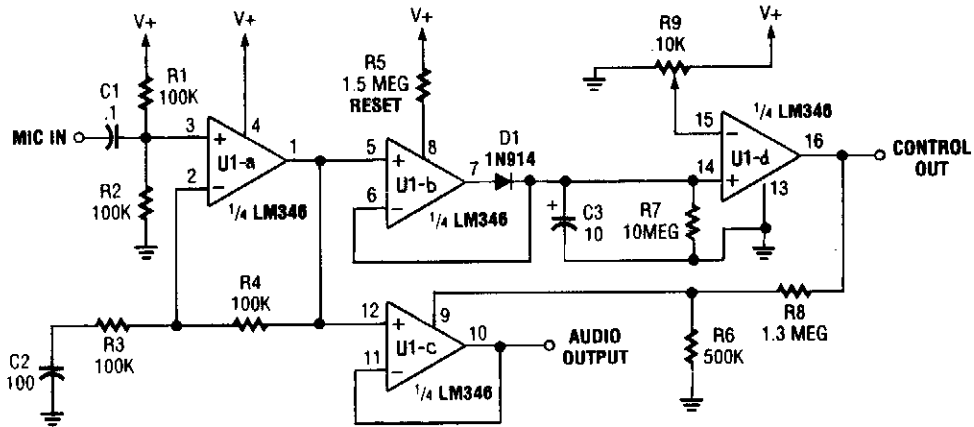
## AUDIO LIGHT



This circuit will produce an output when the sound exceeds a preset level. The LM3915 is a log-output bar graph driver. Use the transistor driver shown for higher current loads. To drive heavy-current loads with an LM3915 output, you must add a transistor, as shown in B.



## VOICE-ACTIVATED SWITCH AND AMPLIFIER

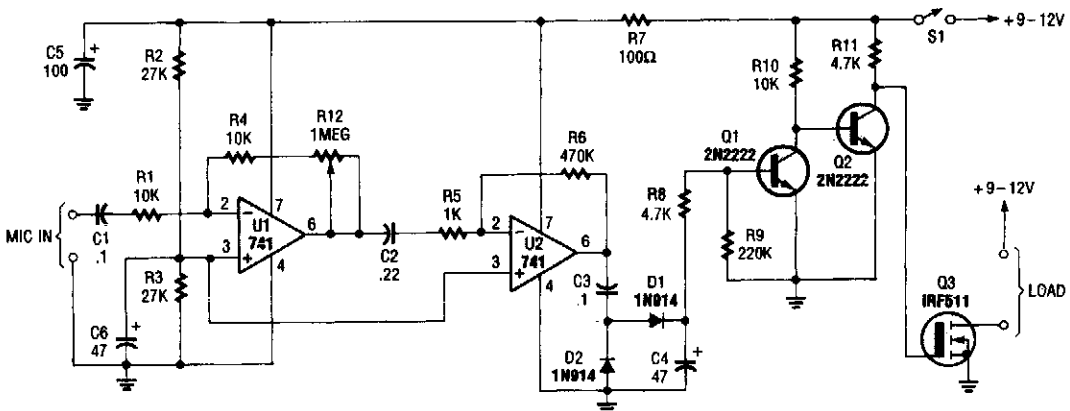


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FIG. 92-8

In certain applications, such as transmitter or other communications and control applications, this circuit should be useful. Both audio output and dc control outputs are provided. R9 sets the control threshold.

## AUDIO-CONTROLLED SWITCH

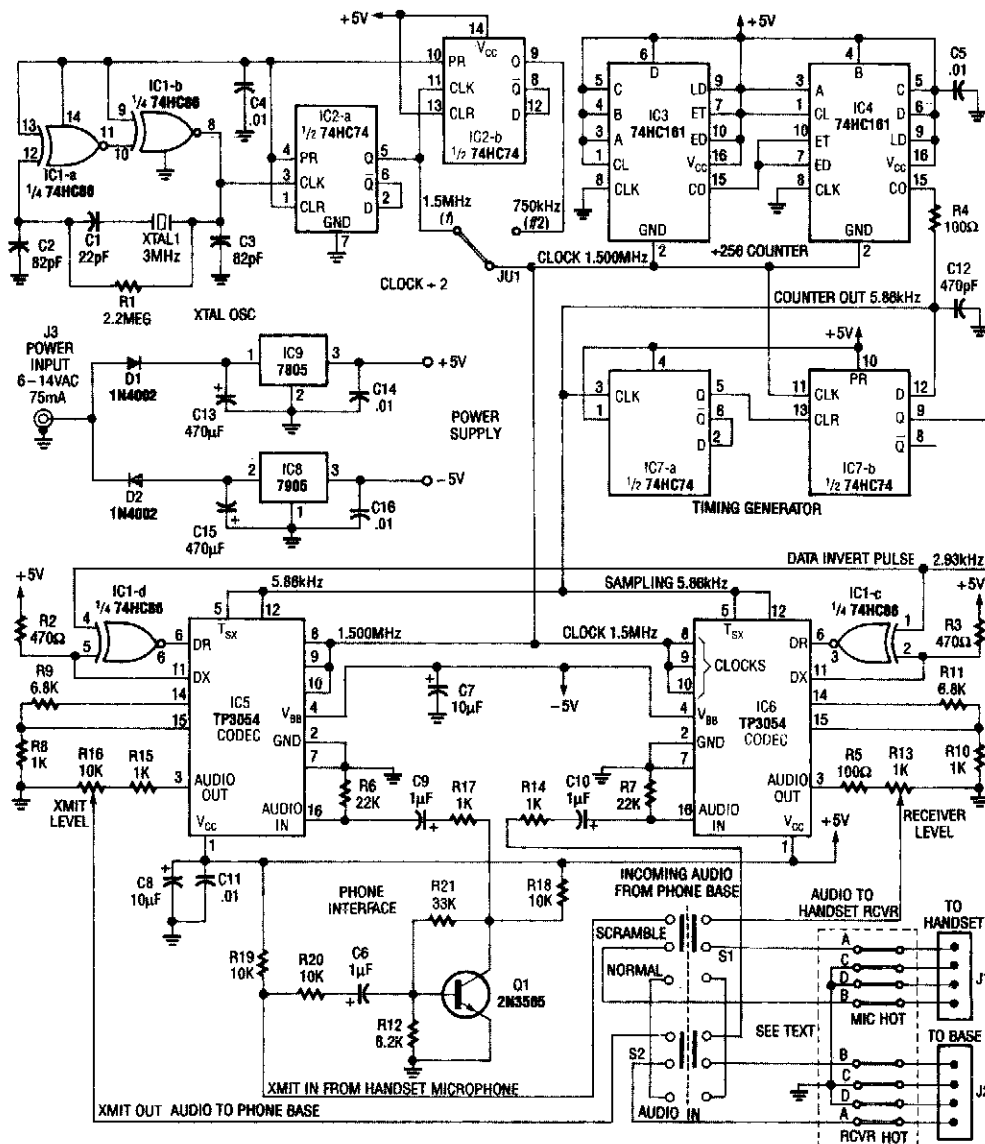


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FIG. 92-9

The audio-controlled switch combines a pair of 741 op amps, two 2N2222 general-purpose transistors, a hexFET, and a few support components to a circuit that can be used to turn on a tape recorder, a transmitter, or just about anything that uses sound.

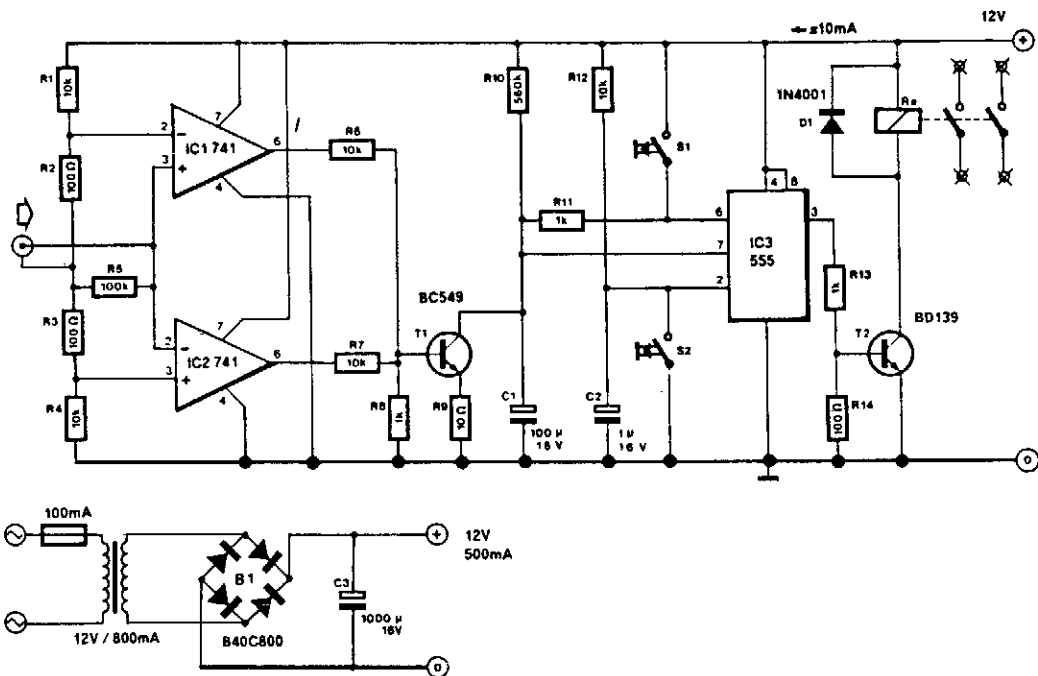
## SPEECH SCRAMBLER



Using digital techniques, this circuit accomplishes the frequency-inversion algorithm via digitization of the audio, inversion of the sign of every alternate sample, and D/A conversion of the resultant data. The result is an inverted frequency spectrum. Because the circuit has two channels, this system can be used in a full duplex two-way telephone scrambler.

A complete kit of parts is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

## AUDIO-CONTROLLED MAINS SWITCH



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**FIG. 92-11**

This circuit will switch off the line supply to audio or video equipment if there has been no input signal for about 2 seconds. S1 provides manual operation and S2 acts as a reset. This circuit allows for time to change a tape or compact disc. About 50 mV of audio signal is necessary.

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## Sound-Effects Circuits

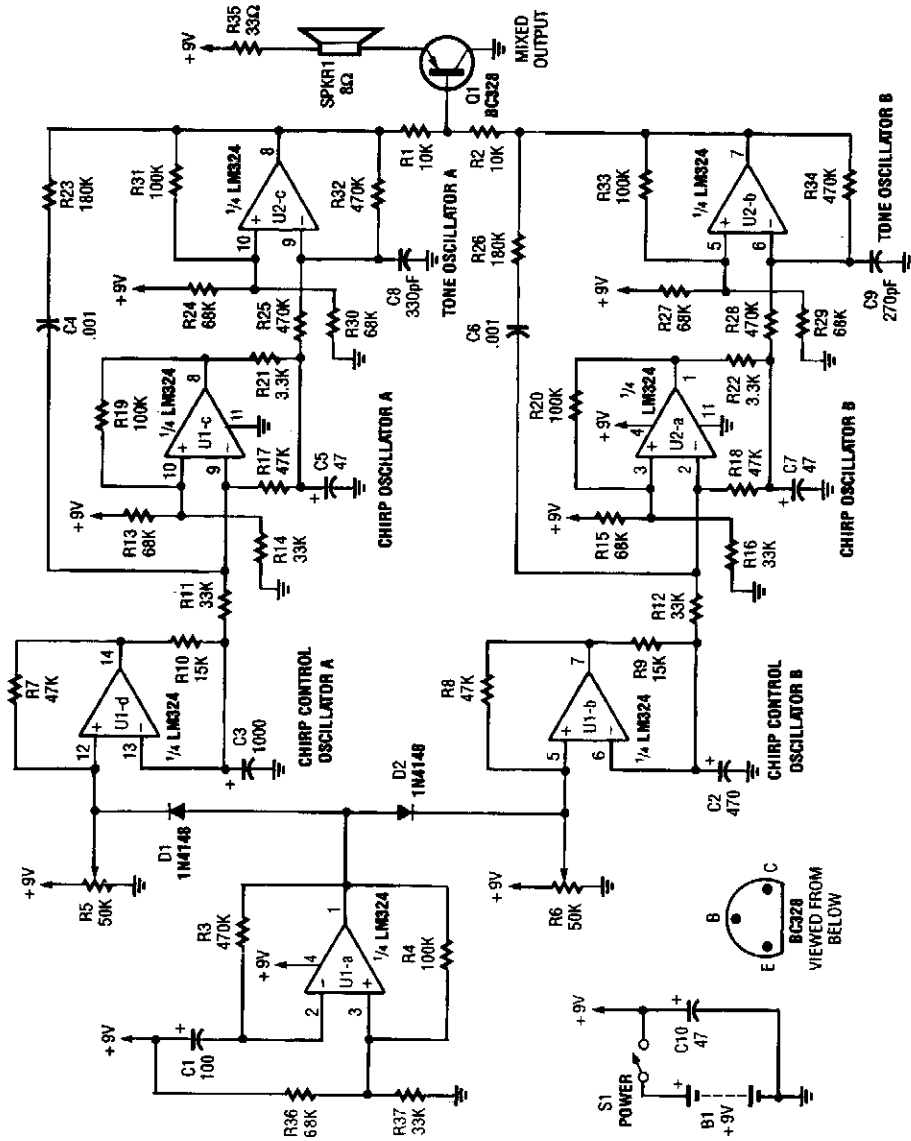
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Canary Sound Simulator  
110-dB Beeper  
Siren Alarm  
1000-Hz Pulsed-Tone Alarm  
Tone Chime  
Spaceship Alarm  
10-Note Sound Synthesizer  
Spacc-Age Sound Machine

Electronic Gong  
Alarm Tone Generator  
Dual-Tone Sounder  
Low-Level Sounder  
Sound-Effects Generator  
Siren  
Simple Multi-Tone Generator  
Siren Oscillator

# CANARY SOUND SIMULATOR

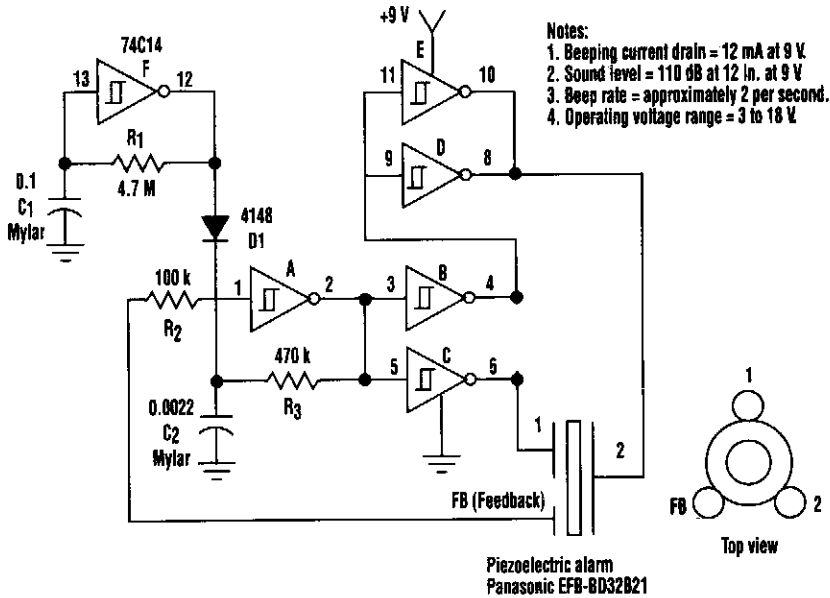


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FIG. 93-1

This circuit generates the sound of two canaries singing in a cage. Two LM324 quad amps make up seven oscillators. One oscillator is an on/off control, the other six generate the sounds of two canaries. A 9-V supply powers the circuit.

## 110-dB BEEPER



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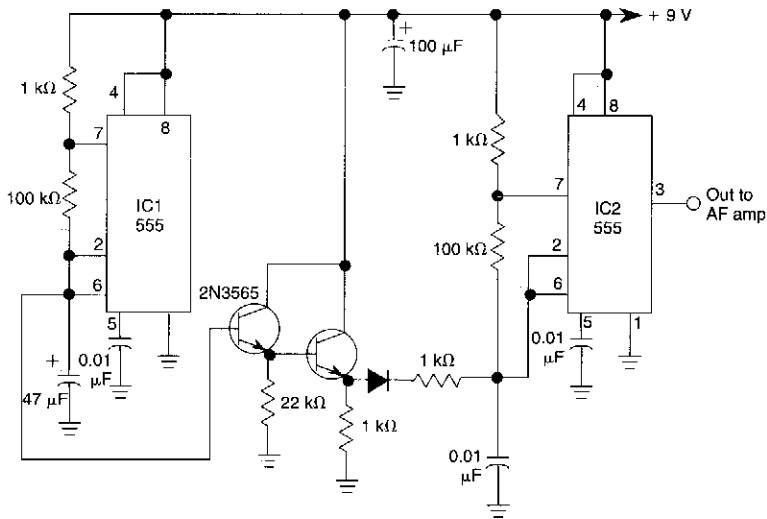
FIG. 93-2

This circuit will generate an ear-splitting 110 dB from 9 V. The setup uses a single 74C14 (CD40106B) CMOS hex inverting Schmitt-trigger IC, which must be used with a piezoelectric device with a feedback terminal. The feedback terminal is attached to a central region on the piezoelectric wafer. When the beeper is driven at resonance, the feedback signal peaks.

One inverter of the 74C14 is wired as an astable oscillator. The frequency is chosen to be 5 times lower than the 3.2 kHz resonant frequency of the piezoelectric device. Feedback from the third pin of the beeper reinforces the correct drive frequency to ensure maximum sound output.

Four other inverter sections of the IC are wired to form two separate drivers. The output of one section is cross-wired to the input of the second section. The differential drive signal that results produces about 18-V p-p when measured across the beeper. The last inverter section is wired as a second astable oscillator with a frequency of about 2 Hz. It gates the main oscillator on and off through a diode. For a continuous tone, the modulation circuit can be deleted.

## SIREN ALARM

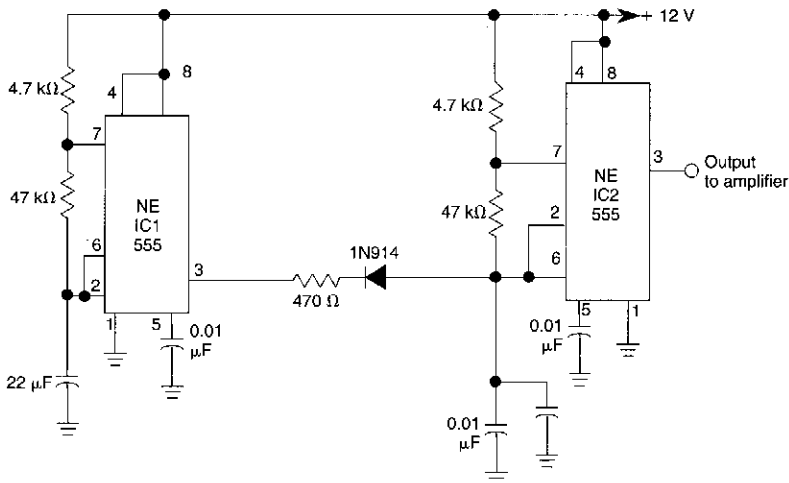


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FIG. 93-3

The ramp voltage from the low frequency oscillator IC1 modulates IC2 thereby producing a rising and falling tone like the siren wail of police cars.

## 1000-Hz PULSED-TONE ALARM

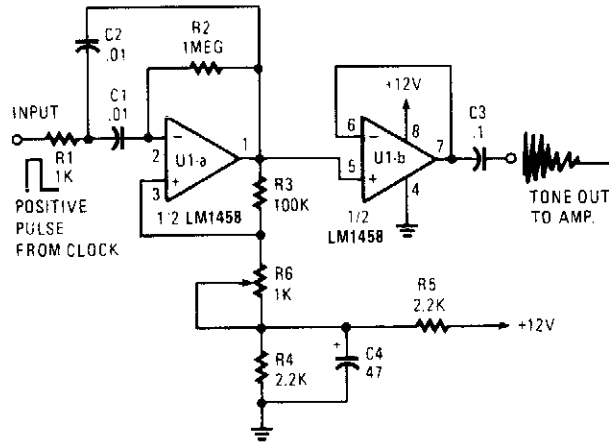


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FIG. 93-4

IC1 generates a pulse that modulates the 1000-Hz tone generated by IC2. This circuit can be used to generate warning or alert signals.

## TONE CHIME

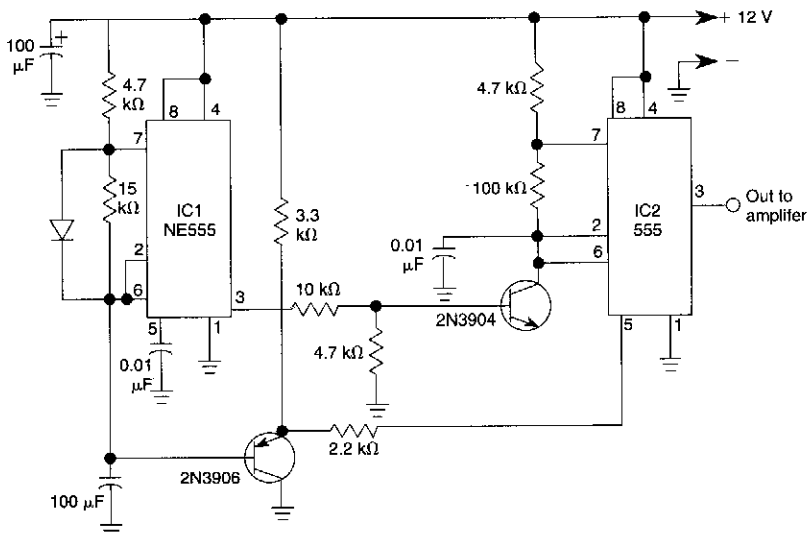


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FIG. 93-5

A positive pulse input to R1 causes the active filter U1-a to "ring." If the gain is set too high (R6), the circuit will oscillate. R6 controls the positive feedback and the Q of the circuit. C1 and C2 can be changed to adjust the tone frequency.

## SPACESHIP ALARM



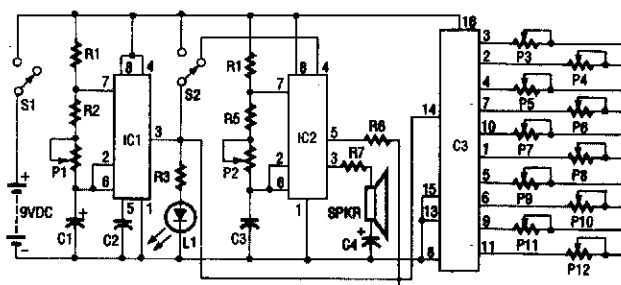
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FIG. 93-6

By using two 555 timers this circuit produces a low frequency tone that rises to a high frequency tone in a little over 1 second. Then the sound stops for about 0.3 seconds, thereafter the cycle repeats. To produce the alarm sound of the Star Trek spaceship.



## 10-NOTE SOUND SYNTHESIZER

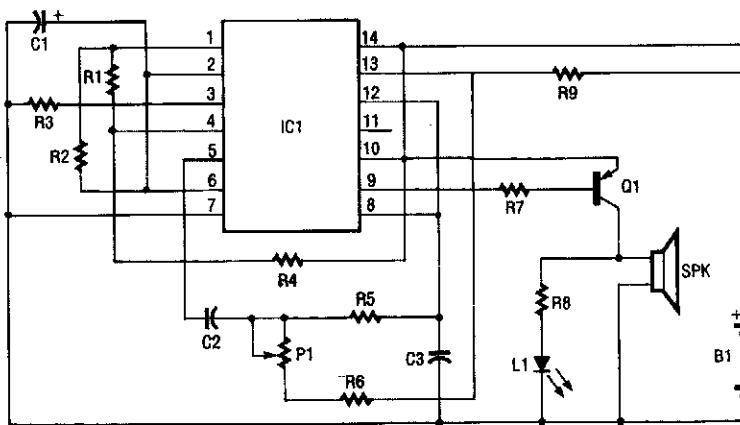


|            |       |              |                        |
|------------|-------|--------------|------------------------|
| C1         | ..... | 22 $\mu$ F   | Electrolytic Capacitor |
| C2         | ..... | 0.01 $\mu$ F | Capacitor              |
| C3         | ..... | 0.1 $\mu$ F  | Capacitor (104k)       |
| C4         | ..... | 10 $\mu$ F   | Capacitor              |
| IC1, IC2   | ..... | 555          | Timer IC               |
| IC3        | ..... | 4017         | IC                     |
| L1         | ..... | Red          | LED                    |
| P1-P12     | ..... | 5k           | Trimmer Resistor       |
| R1, R3, R4 | ..... | 1k           | Resistor               |
| R2         | ..... | 200-ohm      | Resistor               |
| R5         | ..... | 4.7k         | Resistor               |
| R6         | ..... | 100-ohm      | Resistor               |
| R7         | ..... | 15-ohm       | Resistor               |
| S1, S2     | ..... |              | SPDT Switch            |

As shown, three ICs are used to produce the sounds. IC1 is a 555 timer that generates clock pulses. It is configured as an astable multivibrator. The frequency of the clock pulses is set by trimmer potentiometer P1. These clock pulses are coupled to the input of IC3 (a 4017 CMOS Johnson counter) on its clock input pin 14. Each clock pulse causes IC3 to shift a "high" to each of its output pins in sequence. A trimmer resistor, which can be adjusted to set a different frequency for each note, is connected to each of IC3's output pins. One side of each of the trimmers is connected to pin 5 (the control voltage pin) of IC2.

IC2, another 555 timer IC, creates the tone; the overall pitch of the tone can be varied by P2. As the output sequences from the 4017, that tone, which is changed in frequency by each output shift is applied to a small speaker from pin 3 of IC2. An LED, which flashes with each clock pulse, is connected to pin 3 of IC1. Switch S2 is used to vary the sound between "flowing" and distinct notes.

## SPACE-AGE SOUND MACHINE



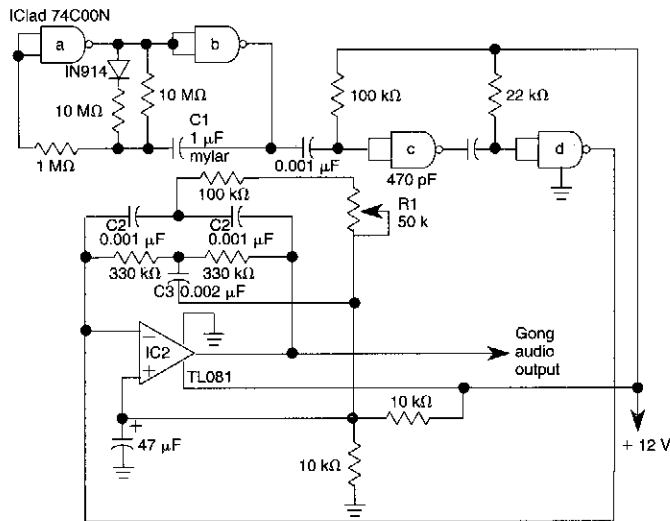
- C1 ..... 1  $\mu$ F Radial Electrolytic Capacitor
- C2, C3 .. 0.01  $\mu$ F Disc Capacitor
- IC1 ..... 556 Dual Timer IC
- L1 ..... Green LED
- P1 ..... 2 Meg Trimmer Resistor
- Q1 ..... B714 PNP Transistor
- R1 ..... 82K Resistor
- R2, R5 .. 33K Resistor
- R3, R7 .. 4.7K Resistor
- R4, R6, R9...1K Resistor
- R8 ..... 100 ohm Resistor
- Spk ..... Small Speaker

The space-age sound device uses a 556 dual-timer IC to produce a phasor sound. That IC is actually two 555 timer ICs in one 14-pin package, as shown in the schematic. Each timer inside the 556 is connected in an astable multivibrator mode.

The first timer has its frequency set by R1, R2, and C1. Its output appears on pin 5 and it is coupled through C2 and R5 into the trigger input of the second timer. The second timer has an adjustable frequency that is controlled by P1, R6, and C3.

In the second timer, the first frequency mixes with the second frequency and produces the phasor-like sounds. The output of the second timer, which has the two signals mixed together, is brought from pin 9 through limiting resistor R7 to the input of Q1. The function of pnp germanium power transistor Q1 is to amplify the signal to the level that is needed to drive the speaker. The green LED, L1, converts electrons directly into visible photons (light) in time with the pulses from the speaker. The purpose of resistor R8 is to limit the current through the LED to a safe level.

## ELECTRONIC GONG

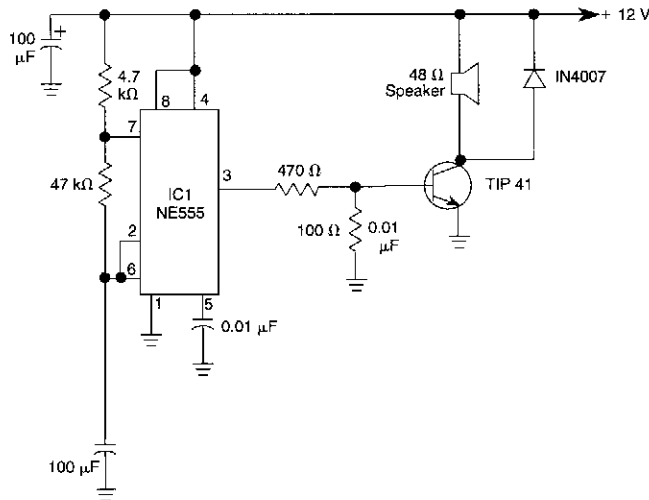


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FIG. 93-9

The electronic gong is comprised of an oscillator (built around half of a 74C00N quad 2-input NAND gate), an active twin-T filter (built around a TL081), and will drive an audio amplifier IC such as an LM386N. Pulses from astable multivibrator IC1 cause the twin-tee active filter U2 to ring, producing a damped sinusoidal output. C1 varies rate and C2-C3 vary gong frequency. Adjust R1 for best "tone" sound.

## ALARM TONE GENERATOR

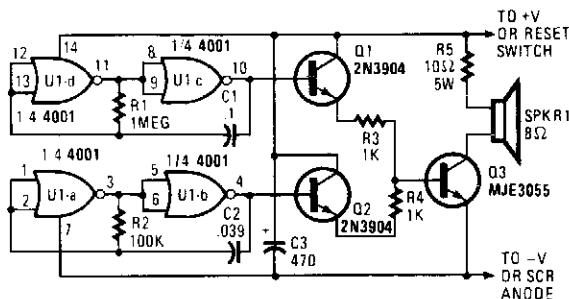


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FIG. 93-10

In this alarm tone generator, a TIP41 transistor is used as a speaker driver. R1, R2, and C1 determines the frequency which is 1400 Hz with the values shown.

## DUAL-TONE SOUNDER



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FIG. 93-11

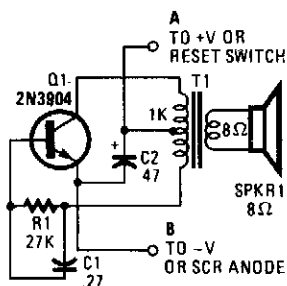
An outside horn-type speaker works best with the circuit. However, such devices require a great deal of power, so this sounder should only be used in alarm circuits where at least a 6-A SCR is used as the sounder driver.

A single CMOS 4001 quad 2-input NOR gate, two 2N3904 general-purpose npn transistors, and a single MJE3055 power transistor combine to generate a two-tone output. Gates U1-a and U1-b are configured as a simple feedback oscillator with R<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> setting the oscillator's frequency. With the values shown, the circuit oscillates at about 500-Hz.

Gates U1-c and U1-d are connected in a similar oscillator circuit, but they operate at a much lower frequency. The oscillator frequencies (and thus the tones that they produce) can be altered by increasing or decreasing the values of R<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>1</sub> for the low-frequency oscillator and R<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> for the high-frequency oscillator. Decreasing the values of those components will increase the frequency; increasing their values will decrease the frequency.

The two oscillator outputs are connected to separate amplifiers (configured as emitter followers), whose outputs are used to drive a single power transistor (Q3, an MJE3055). A 10-Ω, 5-W resistor, R<sub>5</sub>, is used to limit the current through the speaker and Q3 to a safe level. To boost the sound level, R<sub>5</sub> can be replaced with another speaker.

## LOW-LEVEL SOUNDER



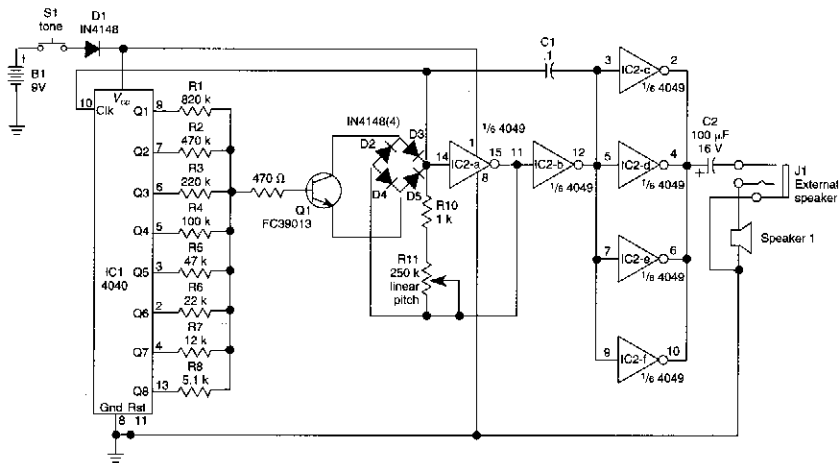
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FIG. 93-12

This is a simple low-level noise maker that's ideally suited to certain alarm applications. When the sounder is located in another part of the building, the sound level is loud enough to be heard, but is not loud enough to warn off an intruder. A single 2N3904 npn transistor is connected in a Hartley audio oscillator, with a 1 kΩ to 8-Ω transistor-output transformer doing double duty.

The circuit produces a single-frequency tone that can be varied in frequency by changing the value of either or both R<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>1</sub>. Increasing the value of either component will lower the output frequency and decreasing their values will raise the frequency. Don't go below 4.7 kΩ for R<sub>1</sub> because you could easily destroy Q1.

## SOUND-EFFECTS GENERATOR



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FIG. 93-13

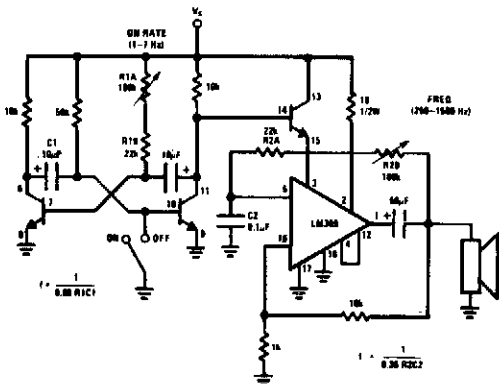
The circuit consists of four parts: a binary counter, a D/A converter, a VCO, and an audio output amplifier. The speed at which the counter counts depends on the frequency of the output of the VCO, which in turn is determined by the output of the counter. That feedback loop gives this circuit its characteristic output.

The initial frequency of oscillation is determined by potentiometer R11. The VCO first oscillates at a relatively low frequency, and it gradually picks up speed as the control voltage supplied by the D/A converter increases.

The D/A converter is simply the group of resistors R1 through R8. When none of IC1's outputs is active, little current will flow into the base of Q1, so the VCO's control voltage will be low. As more and more counter outputs become active, base current increases, and so does the VCO's frequency of oscillation.

The VCO itself is composed of IC2-a, IC2-b, and Q1; the timing network is D1 through D4, C1, R10, and R11. The diode bridge functions basically as a voltage-controlled resistor. The buffer amplifier is made up of the four remaining gates from IC2, all wired in parallel. The volume is sufficient for experimental purposes, but you might want to add an amplifier, speaker, or both.

## SIREN

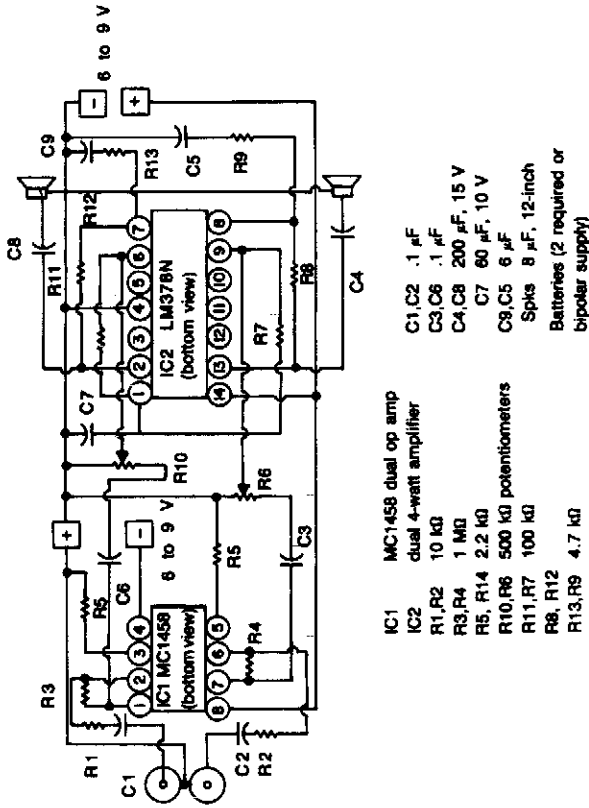


An LM380 audio IC is configured as a feedback audio oscillator. A transistor astable modulates this oscillator at a low frequency, which produces a siren tone.

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FIG. 93-14

## ALTERNATE TONE ALARM



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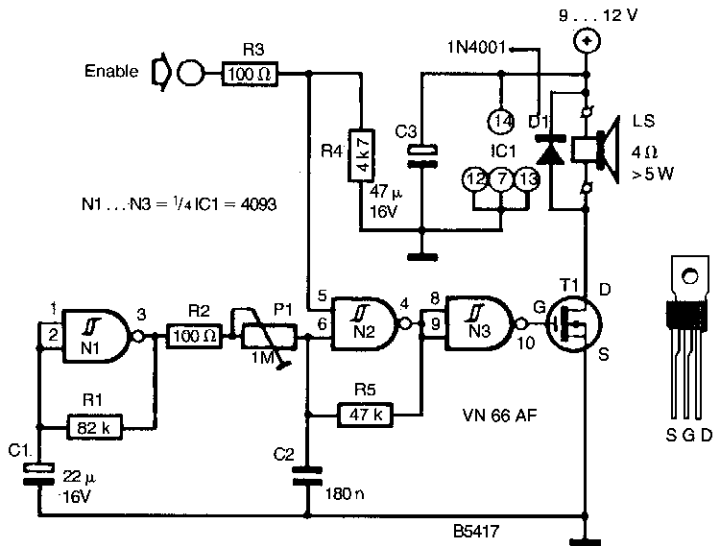
FIG. 93-15

A two-tone generator that is alternately switched ON provides a high/low output as might be heard from a traffic vehicle like a police car or ambulance.

IC1, CD4011, quad 2-input NAND gate is a two-tone oscillator in which each side, pins 1 through 7 and 8 through 13 set the tone frequencies. Changing the values of  $C_2$  and  $C_1$  determines the high/low tones. The output frequencies are coupled to IC2, CD4011, of which one side (pins 1 through 6) acts as a buffer. The buffer is necessary to prevent loading on the outputs that would occur if one tried to go directly to the LM386 amplifier. The other side of IC2, pins 8 through 13, is a slow pulse oscillator of approximately 8 Hz per second. The output at pin 10 is connected to IC4 as a clock.

IC4, CD4027, is a dual J-K master-slave flip-flop that is wired to perform as a toggle switch in which Q1 and 15, and Q1 (NOT) pin 14, go high and low alternately (flip-flop). The clock input from IC2 pin 10 is connected to pin 13 of IC4, and the outputs at pins 15 and 14 changes the flip/flop state with each positive pulse transition. The CD4027 functions in toggle mode when the set and reset inputs, pins 9 and 12, are held low or grounded. Also, J-K inputs, pins 10 and 11, must be held high or to the positive. The outputs Q1 and Q1 (NOT), pins 15 and 14 are connected to pins 13 and 1 respectively of IC1 that enables or disables. Thus, each tone oscillator is turned on and off alternately. IC3 is a straightforward low-voltage audio amplifier.

## SIREN OSCILLATOR



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FIG. 93-16

A CD4093 chip and a few components make up a siren oscillator, which drives power MOSFET T1. A 4-Ω speaker is driven directly from this device. The siren is enabled by a logic high applied to the ENABLE input.

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## Square-Wave Generator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Square-Wave Oscillator

Schmitt Trigger or Sine-to-Square Wave Converter

60-Hz Square-Wave Generator

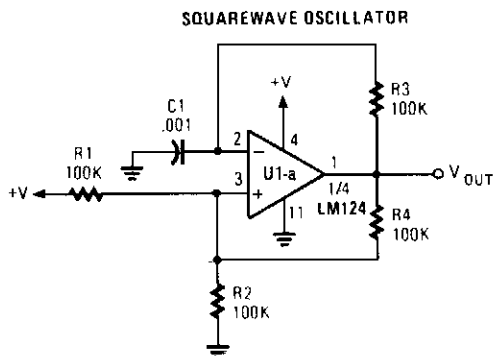
Square-Wave Oscillator

Schmitt Trigger SineSquare Generator

10-Hz to 10-kHz VCO with Square- and Triangle-Wave Outputs



## SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



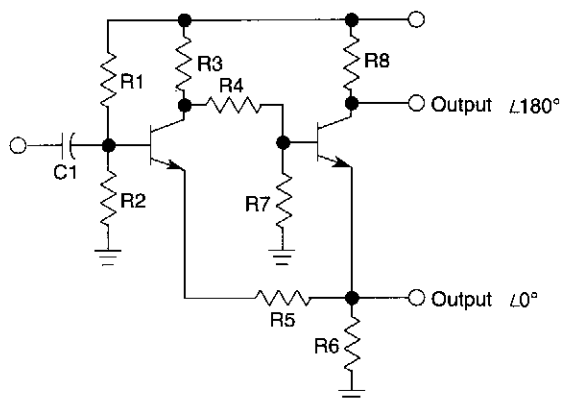
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FIG. 94-1

An op amp with positive feedback generates a square wave. The period of the oscillator is determined by R3 and C1.

$$T = T_1 + T_2 \approx 0.69 \times 2 (R_3 C_1) \quad T_1 = T_2$$

## SCHMITT TRIGGER OR SINE-TO-SQUARE-WAVE CONVERTER

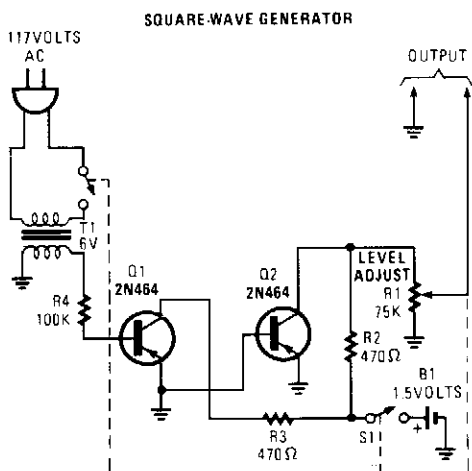


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FIG. 94-2

This sine-wave triggered circuit produces two square-wave outputs that are 180° out of phase.

## 60-Hz SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

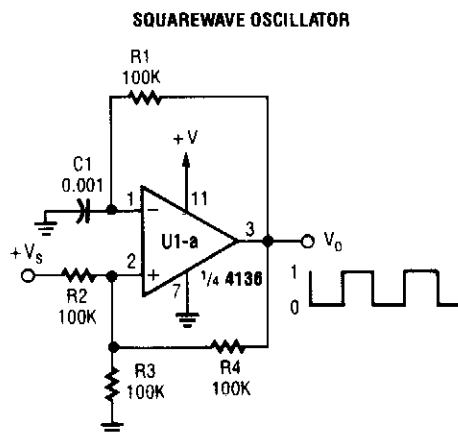


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FIG. 94-3

This generator circuit uses an overdriven amplifier to produce a 60-Hz square wave from the 60-Hz ac line. The circuit can be used in line-operated applications as a clock source.

## SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

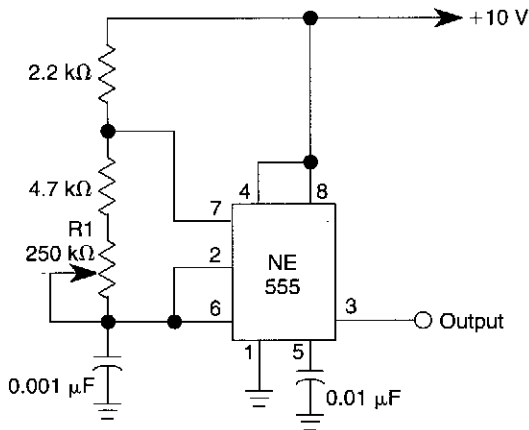


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FIG. 94-4

Positive feedback is via R3 and R4 and R1 and C1 determine period.

### VARIABLE-FREQUENCY SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

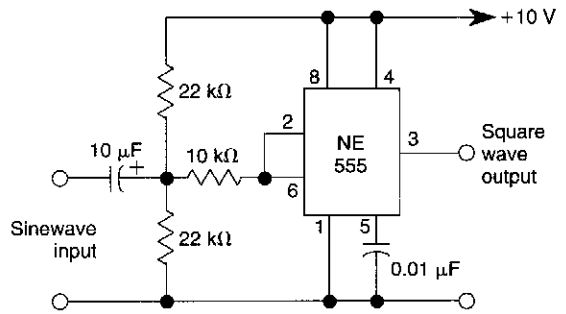


WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 94-5

This simple square-wave generator produces a variable frequency output of 2800 Hz to 80 kHz with the values shown. Frequency is adjusted with potentiometer R1.

### SCHMITT TRIGGER SINE-/SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

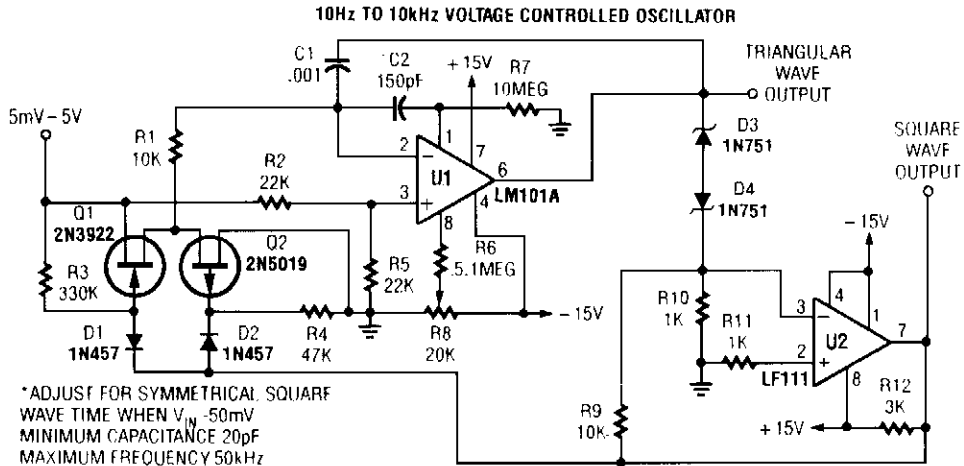


WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 94-6

A sine wave input can produce a square wave output by this Schmitt trigger circuit based on a 555 IC.

### 10-Hz TO 10-kHz VCO WITH SQUARE- AND TRIANGLE-WAVE OUTPUTS



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FIG. 94-7

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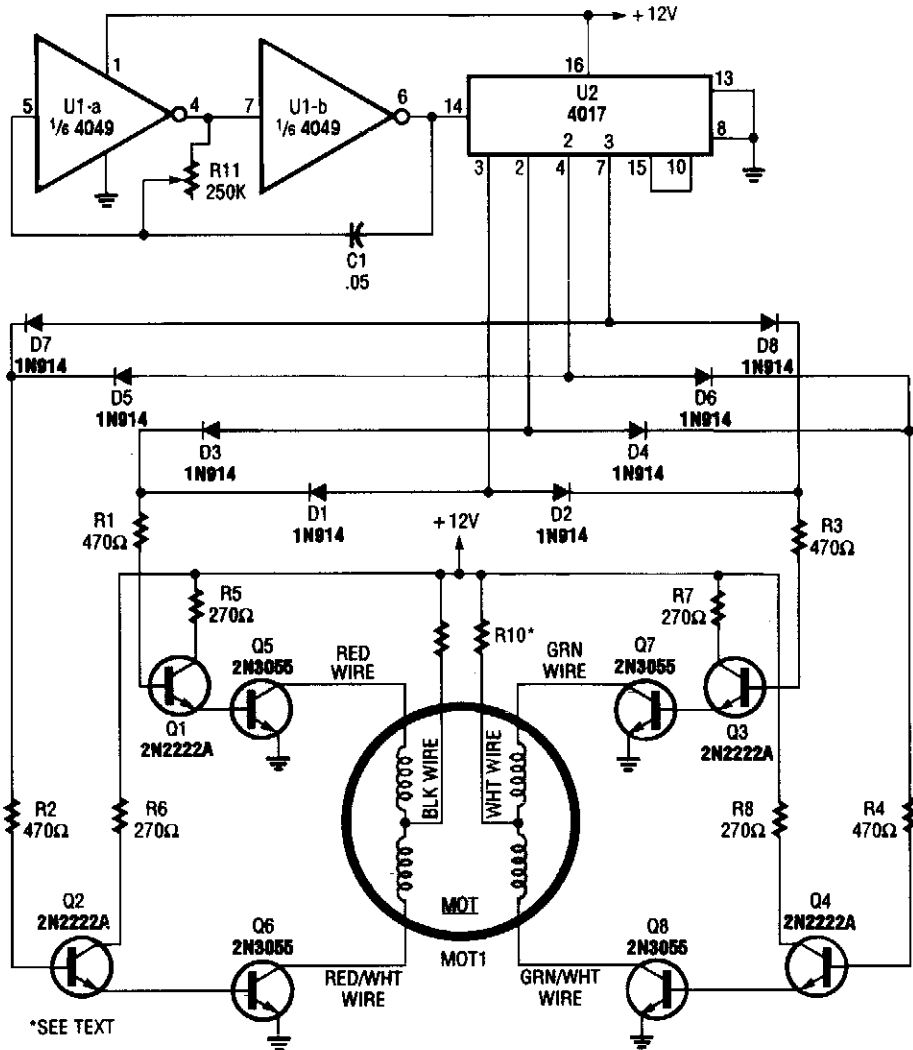
## Stepper Motor Circuits

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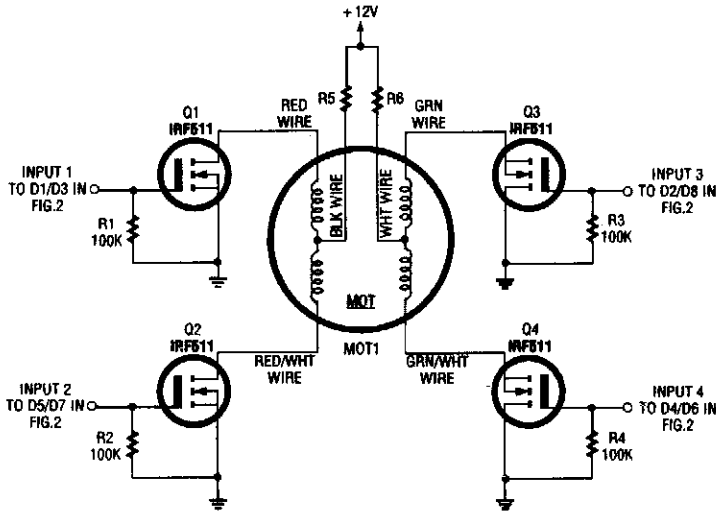
Bipolar Stepper Motor Drive Circuit  
Stepper Motor Circuit with FET Drivers  
Dual Clock Circuit for Stepper Motors

## BIPOLAR STEPPER MOTOR DRIVE CIRCUIT



A 4017 decade counter/divider driven from a low-frequency oscillator (U1-a and U1-b) is used to drive transistor switches to sequence the windings, as is needed. MOT1 is a 12-V stepper motor. R9 and R10 are selected for the motor's current rating. A 3.3-Hz signal from U1 will cause the motor to run at 1 rpm, a 33-Hz signal will result in 10 rpm, etc.

## STEPPER MOTOR CIRCUIT WITH FET DRIVERS

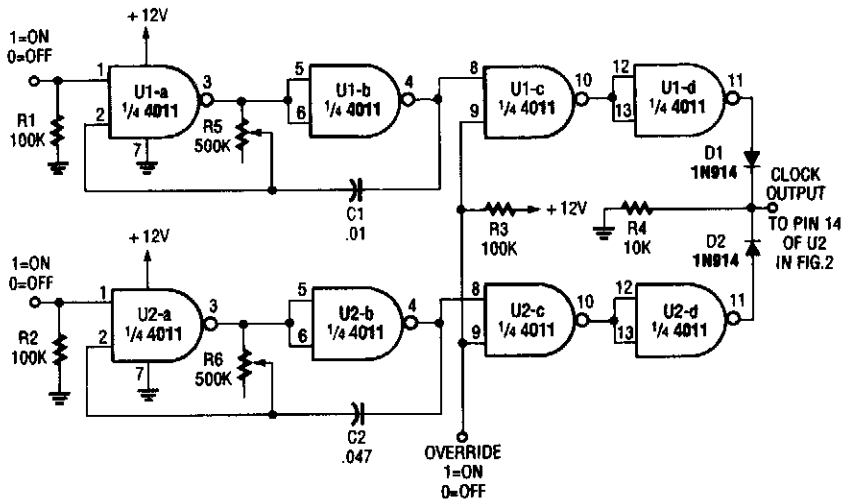


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FIG. 95-2

This motor-driver circuit replaces the eight bipolar transistors of the previous circuit with four IFR511 power hexFET's (Q1 through Q4).

## DUAL CLOCK CIRCUIT FOR STEPPER MOTORS



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FIG. 95-3

This oscillator can be used to drive a stepper motor circuit at two preset speeds with override to shut the motors off.

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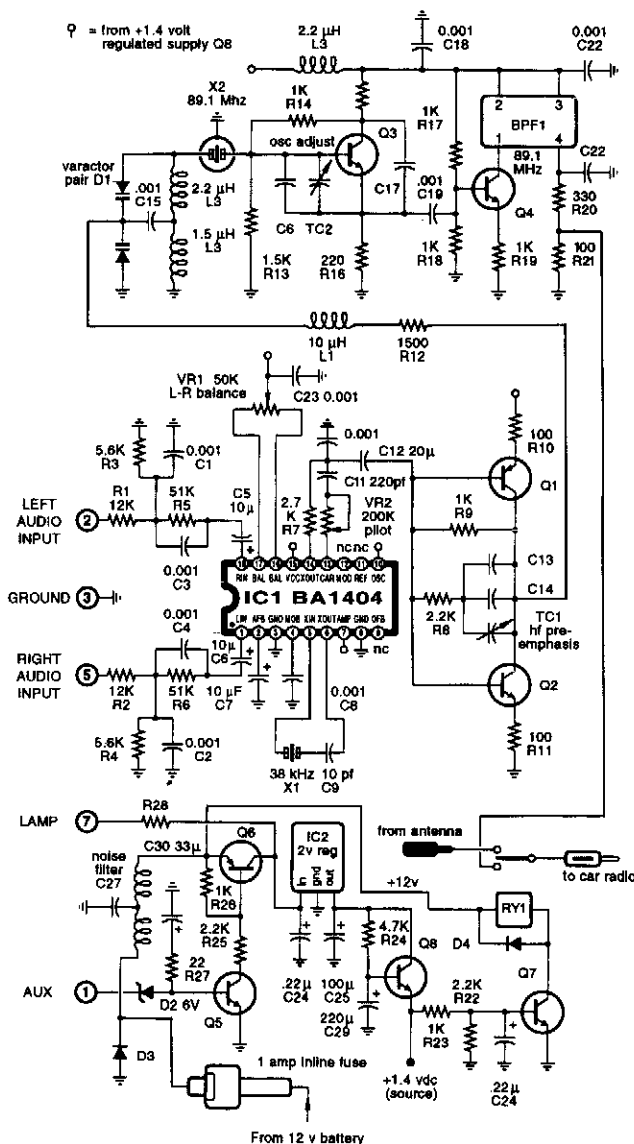
## Stereo Circuits

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FM Stereo Transmitter  
Stereo TV Decoder  
Crystal-Controlled FM Stereo Transmitter  
Stereo TV Decoder  
One-Chip Stereo Preamp with Tone Control  
Audio Expander  
Mini Stereo Amplifier  
Stereo Balance Meter  
Stereo Preamplifier  
Stereo Phono Amplifier with Bass Tone Control

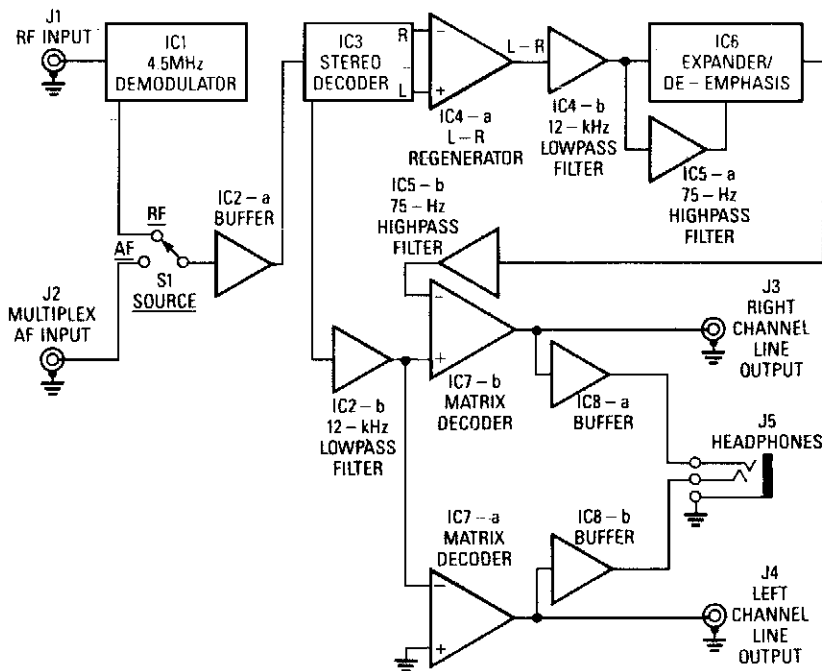
## FM STEREO TRANSMITTER



WARNING: Be sure to current limit the AUX input with an external 1K resistor!

A BA1404 IC is used to generate a complete FM MPX signal. The chip contains all of the necessary circuitry. C1 and R3, and R4 and C4 provide pre-emphasis. The transmitter runs on a single AA cell. L3 is 3 turns of #20 wire on a  $\frac{3}{16}$ " drill (for a form). L3 is  $\frac{1}{4}$ " long. L4 is 4 turns #20 wire on  $\frac{3}{16}$ " drill bit, spaced to  $\frac{3}{16}$ ". If monophonic operation is wanted, omit C5 and the 38-kHz oscillator components.

## STEREO TV DECODER



A block diagram of the stereo-TV decoder is shown in A. It shows the overall relationships between the separate sections of the circuit; B through E show the details of each subsection. The decoder section centers around IC1, a standard 4.5-MHz audio demodulator. The output of IC1 is routed to S1, which allows you to choose between the internally demodulated signal and an externally demodulated one. Buffer amplifier IC2-a then provides a low-impedance source to drive IC3, an LM1800 stereo demodulator.

When IC3 is locked on a stereo signal, the outputs presented at pins 4 and 5 are discrete left- and right-channel signals, respectively. In order to provide noise reduction to the  $L - R$  signal, you must recombine the discrete outputs into sum and difference signals. Op amp IC4-a is used to regenerate the  $L - R$  signal. It is wired as a difference amplifier, wherein the inputs are summed together ( $+L - R$ ). Capacitor C18 bridges the left- and right-channel outputs of the demodulator. Although it decreases high-frequency separation slightly, it also reduces high-frequency distortion.

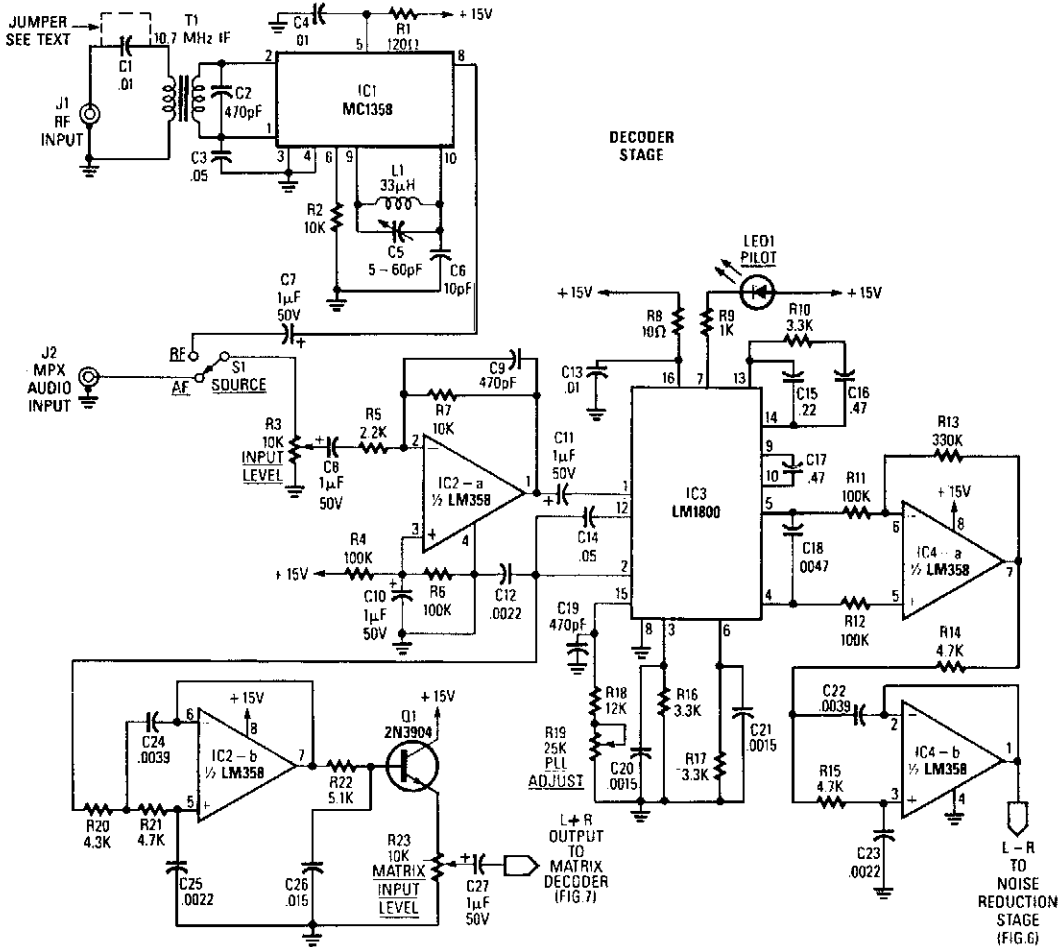
The  $L + R$  signal is taken from the LM1800 at pin 2, where it appears at the output of an internal buffer amplifier. The raw  $L - R$  signal is applied to IC4-b, a 12-kHz lowpass filter. The  $L + R$  signal is also fed through a 12-kHz low pass filter in order to keep the phase shift undergone by both signals equal.

Next, the  $L - R$  signal is fed to Q2. It allows you to add a level control to the  $L - R$  signal path; it provides a low source impedance for driving the following circuits, and it inverts the signal 180°. Inversion is necessary to compensate for the 180° inversion in the compander.

Next comes the expander stage. At the collector of Q2 is a 75- $\mu$ s de-emphasis network (R27 and C29) that functions just like the network that is associated with Q1. Note that Q2 feeds both Q3 and



## STEREO TV DECODER (Cont.)



THE DECODER STAGE converts the multiplexed audio signal into L + R and L - R signals.

IC5-a, a -12-dB per octave high-pass filter. The output of that filter drives the rectifier input of IC6, an NE570. The 75-Hz high-pass filter at the rectifier input helps to prevent hum, 60-Hz sych buzz, and other low-frequency noise in the  $L - R$  signal from causing pumping or breathing.

The NE570 contains an on-board op amp; its inverting input is available directly at pin 5 and via a 20-kΩ series resistor at pin 6. The 18-kΩ resistor (R30) combines with the internal resistor and C32 (0.01 μF) to form a first-order filter with a 390-μs time constant. Because the internal op amp operates in the inverting mode, the  $-(L - R)$  signal is restored to the proper  $(L - R)$  form.

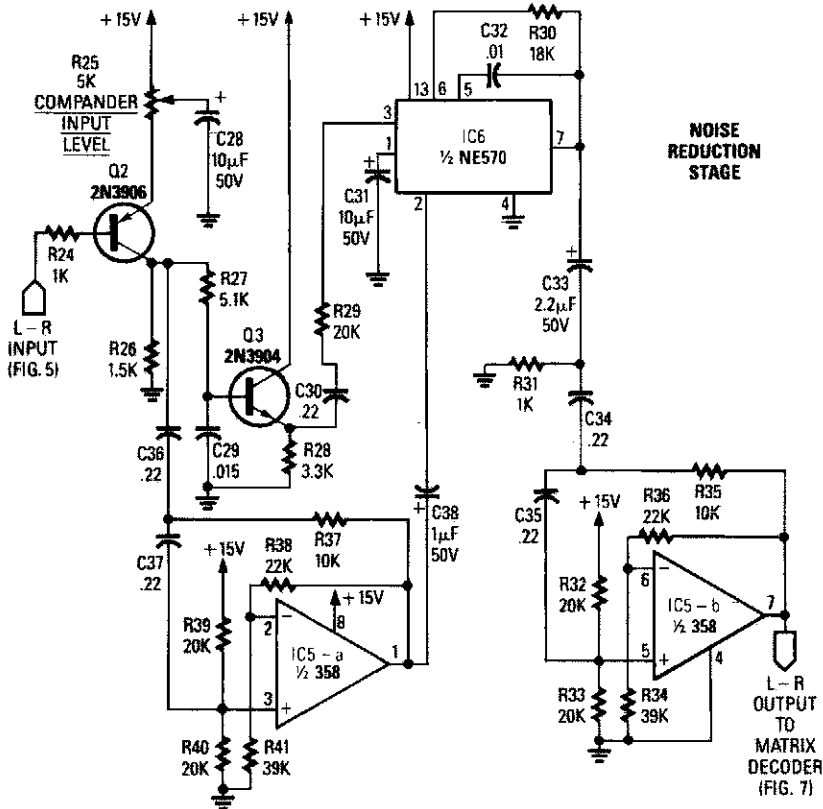
The output of the expander drives another 75-Hz high-pass filter, but this one is a third-order type that provides -18 dB per octave rolloff. It is used to keep low-frequency noise from showing up at the output of the decoder. At this point, the  $(L - R)$  signal has been restored, more or less, to the condition it was in before it was dBx companded at the transmitter.

## STEREO TV DECODER (Cont.)

The  $L + R$  signal from IC3 is fed to a 12-kHz low-pass filter, IC2-b, with a -12 dB per octave slope. The output of the high-pass filter is applied to a 75  $\mu$ s de-emphasis network (R22 and C26). The  $L + R$  audio signal is now restored properly. Q1 is wired as an emitter follower to provide a high load impedance for the de-emphasis network and a low source impedance for level control R23. Next, the  $L + R$  signal is fed to the matrix decoder.

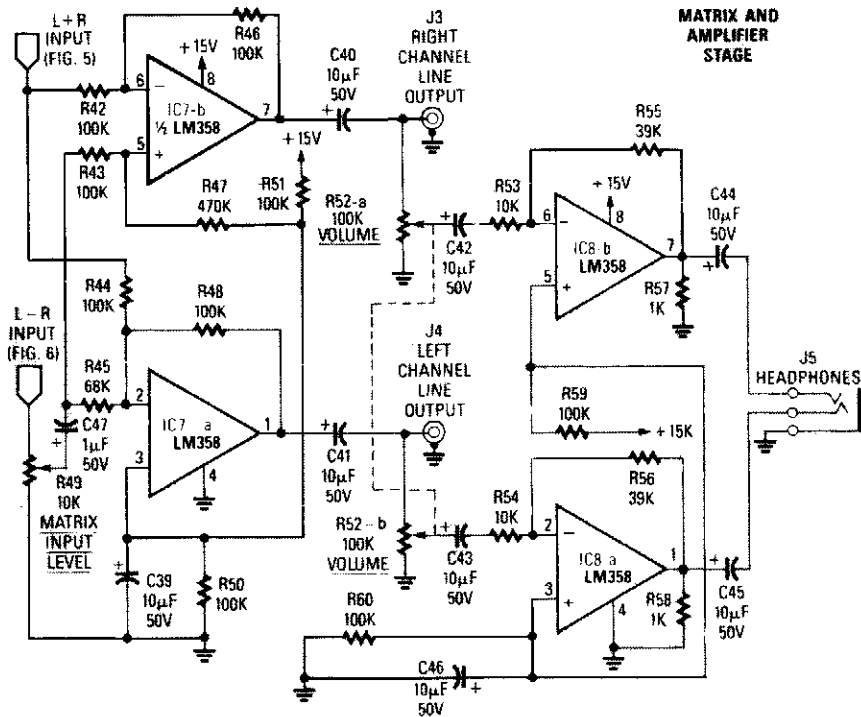
Op amps IC7-a and IC7-b are used to recover the individual channels. First, IC7-b is configured as unity-gain difference amplifier. The  $(L + R)$  signal is applied to its inverting input, and the  $(L - R)$  signal is applied to the noninverting input. Therefore, the output of IC7-b can be expressed as  $-(L + R) + (L - R) = -L + L - R - R = -2R$ . Similarly, IC7-a is configured as a mixing inverting amplifier. Here, however, both sum and difference signals are applied to the inverting input. So, the output of IC7-a is  $(L + R) - (L - R) = -L - R - L + R = -2L$ . Because both channels have been inverted, the stereo relationship is preserved.

The two op amps in IC8 provide an additional stage of amplification to drive a pair of stereo headphones. If you don't plan to use your headphones, or if you are content to use only your stereo's headphone jack, all components to the right of line-output jacks J3 and J4 can be deleted.

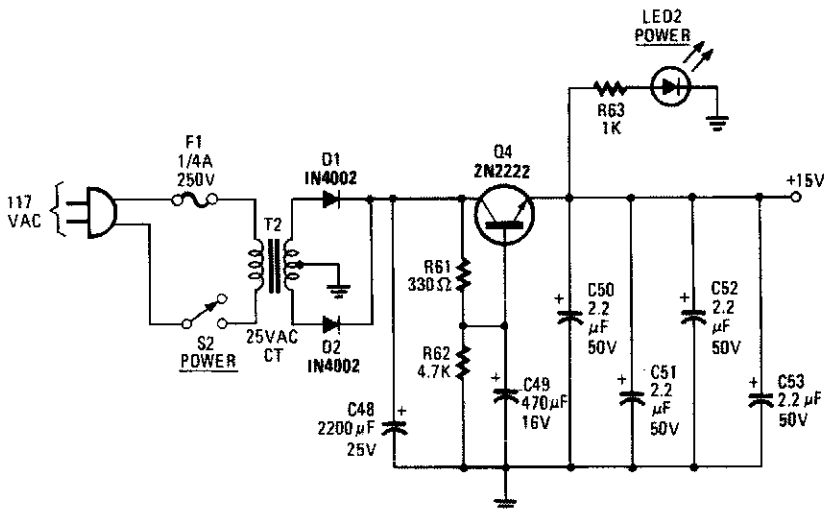


**THE NOISE-REDUCTION STAGE** de-compands the  $L - R$  signal, and emulates dbx-style processing. As described elsewhere in this article (see box), true dbx processing is not currently possible in a home-built circuit due to the inavailability of the dbx IC's.

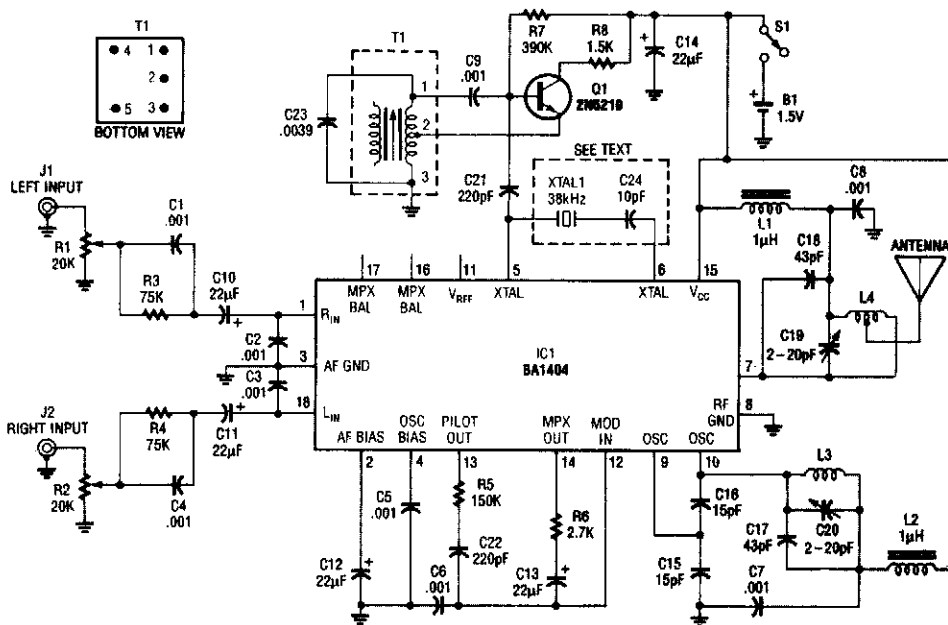
## STEREO TV DECODER (Cont.)



THE MATRIX STAGE separates the L + R and L - R signals into the left- and right-channel components. Op-amp IC8 and associated components provide an optional headphone output. If you do not wish to drive a pair of headphones, or plan to use your amplifier's headphone jack for that purpose, all components to the right of jacks J3 and J4 can be deleted.



## CRYSTAL-CONTROLLED FM STEREO TRANSMITTER

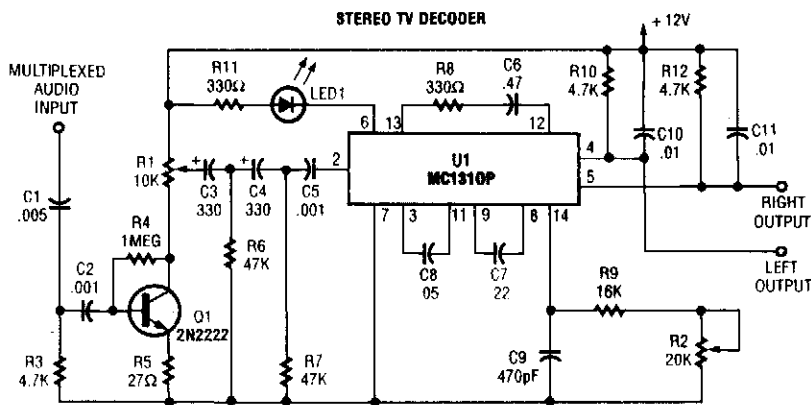


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FIG. 96-3

In this application, a BA1404 is used to generate an FM MPX baseband signal. This modulates a crystal oscillator (Q3) via a dual varactor series modulator. This transmitter can be used to play CD audio on an existing FM auto radio.

## STEREO TV DECODER

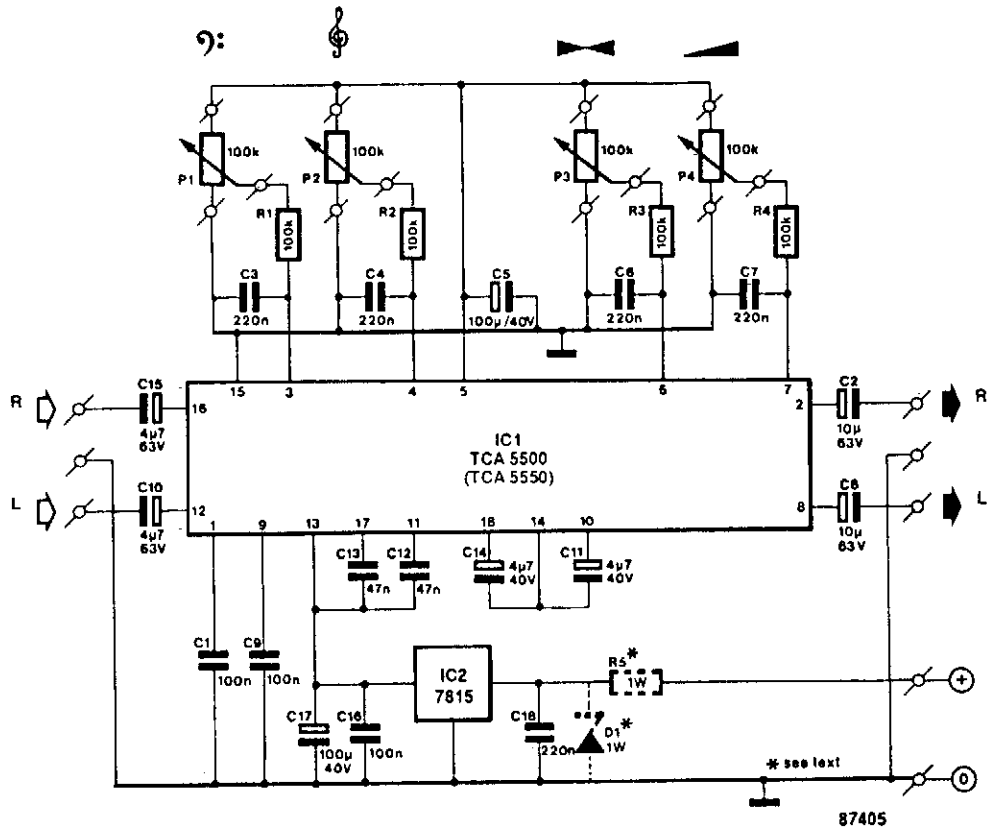


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FIG. 96-4

Q1 is an audio amplifier and U1 is used as a 31.5-kHz subcarrier, which is similar to 38-kHz FM MPX. Pilot frequency is 15.734 kHz.

## ONE CHIP STEREO PREAMP WITH TONE CONTROL

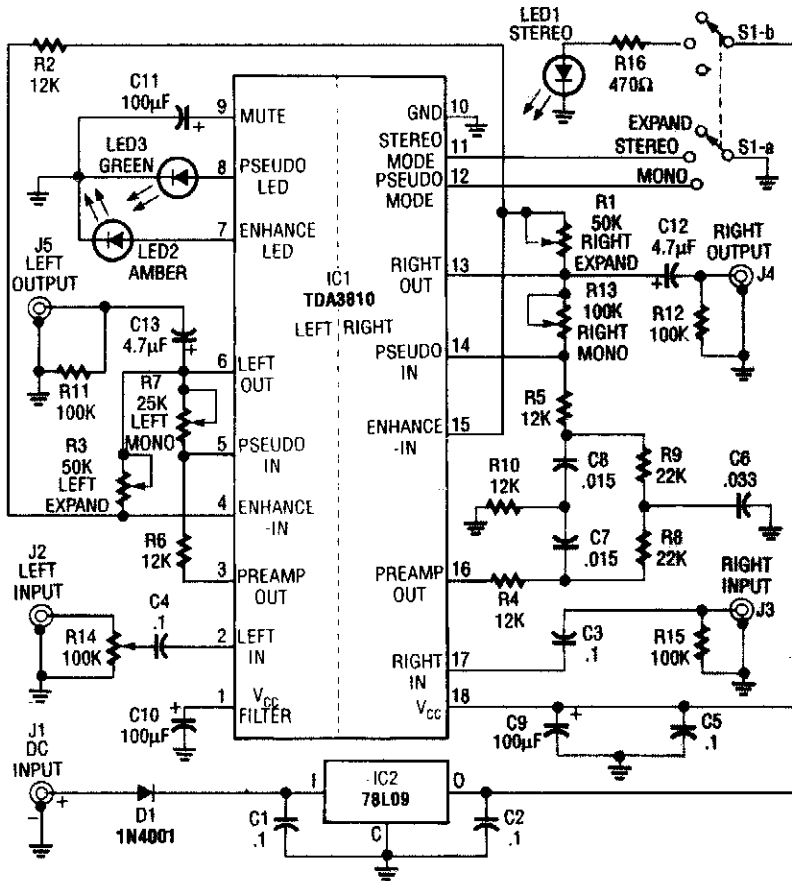


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FIG. 96-5

A Motorola TCA5500 or TCA5550 can provide a stereo preamplifier system with tone controls. This circuit provides a gain of about 10X, a 14-dB tone-control range, a 75-dB volume control range, and it can operate from 8 to 18 Vdc. IC2 provides 15 V for IC1, and the input of IC2 can be supplied from the power amplifier's power supply (+) rail. D1 and R5 should be used if over 30 V input will be used.

## AUDIO EXPANDER

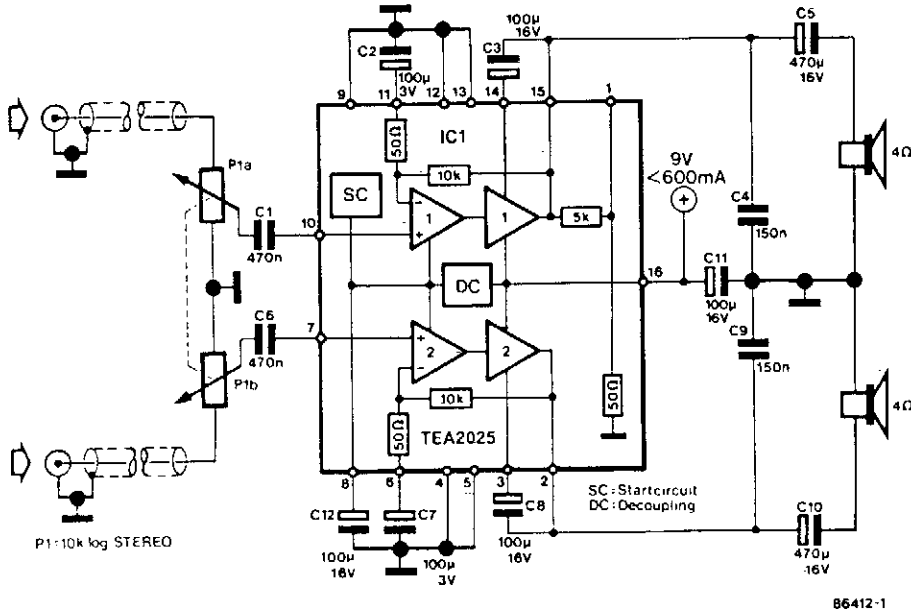


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FIG. 96-6

This audio processor is based on the Signetics/Philips TDA3810N stereo, spatial, pseudo-stereo processor, IC. This processor uses a Philips TDA3810IC device, and it functions as an expander, pseudo stereo processor, and audio enhancer. Pseudo stereo is obtained by routing various frequencies to each channel via active filters.

## MINI STEREO AMPLIFIER

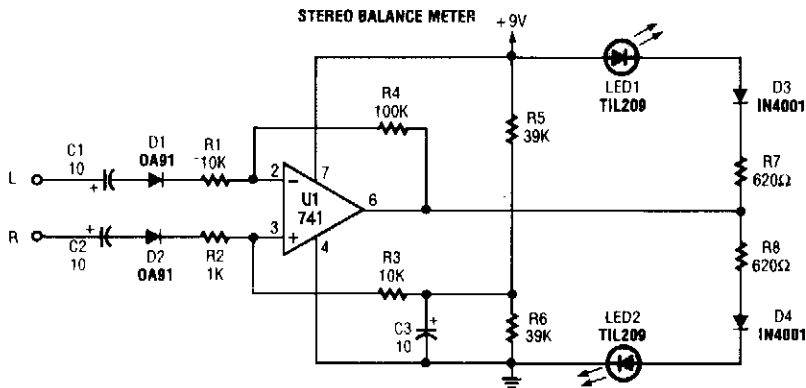


303 CIRCUITS

FIG. 96-7

Using a Thomson TEA2025, this stereo amplifier provides 1 W per channel into 4  $\Omega$  with a 9-V supply. Input sensitivity is 25 mV p-p for full output. Note that pins 4, 5, 12, and 13 of IC1 should be effectively grounded to a ground plane and heatsinked.

## STEREO BALANCE METER

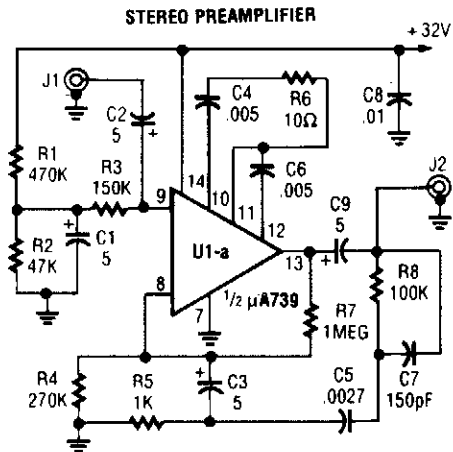


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 96-8

When L & R signals are equal, no output is present from U1, and pin 6 is at a steady 4.5 V. Unbalanced audio causes the LEDs to vary in brightness, which causes a difference that corresponds to unbalance between channels.

## STEREO PREAMPLIFIER



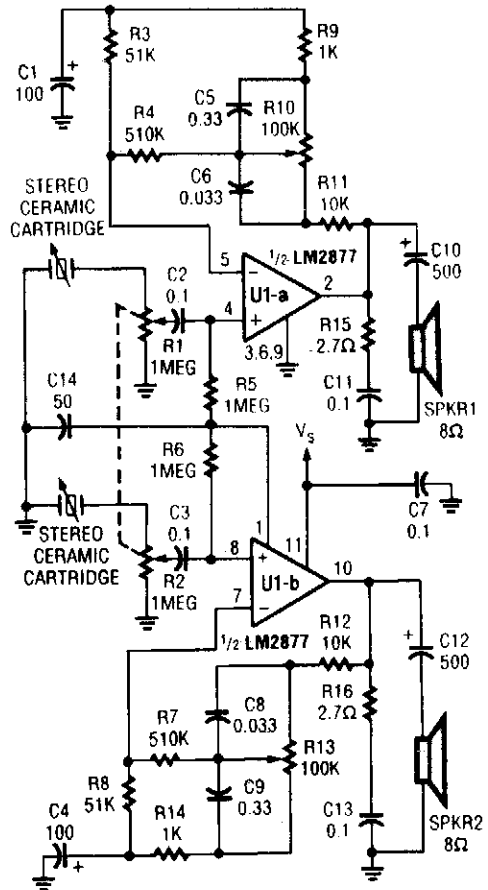
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 96-9

A building block for audio work, the circuit can be used as a general-purpose preamp. Use two circuits for stereo applications.

## STEREO PHONO AMPLIFIER WITH BASS TONE CONTROL

### STEREO PHONOGRAPH AMPLIFIER WITH BASS TONE CONTROL



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FIG. 96-10



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## Switching Circuits

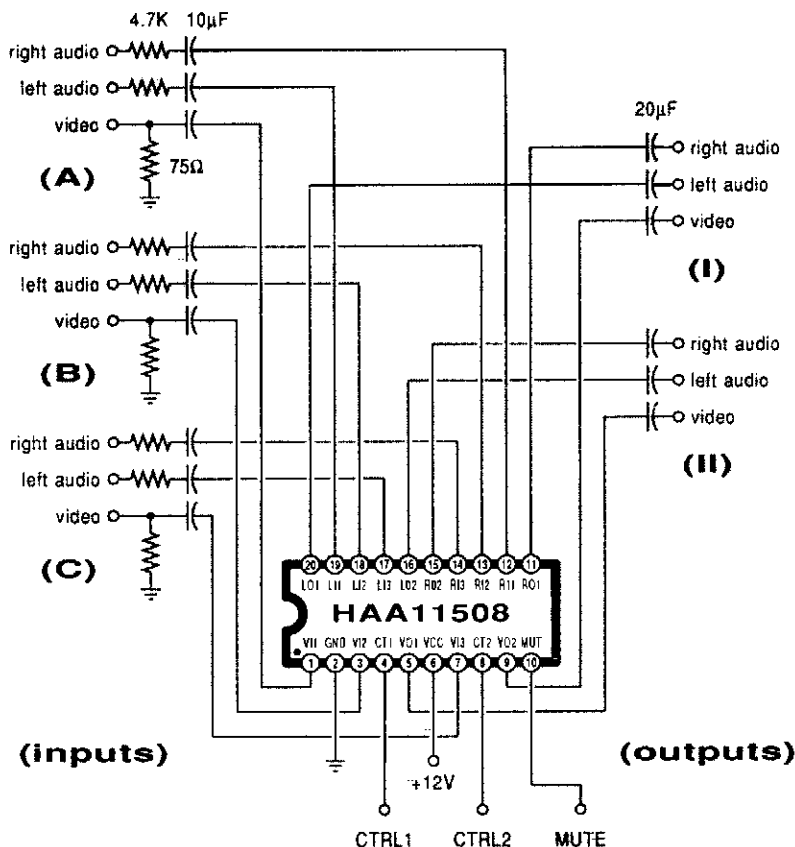
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Simple Video/Audio Switcher  
dc-Controlled Switch Using Optoisolator  
Wideband Video Switch for RGB Signals  
Eight-Channel Audio Switcher  
Electronic Safety Switch  
Audio-Controlled Switch  
Oscillator Triggered Switch

Load-Disconnect Switch  
Typical Two-Way Switch Wiring  
HexFET Switch  
dc-Controlled FET Switch  
Remote Two Way ac Switch Hookup  
Dual-Control HexFET Switch

## SIMPLE VIDEO/AUDIO SWITCHER

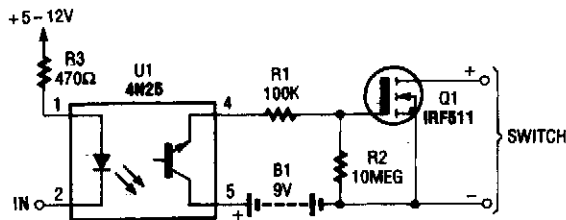


RADIO ELECTRONICS

FIG. 97-1

This channel selector selects video and stereo audio from any one of three different sources. The circuit should be constructed on a PC board with plenty of ground plane to minimize noise.

## dc-CONTROLLED SWITCH USING OPTOISOLATOR

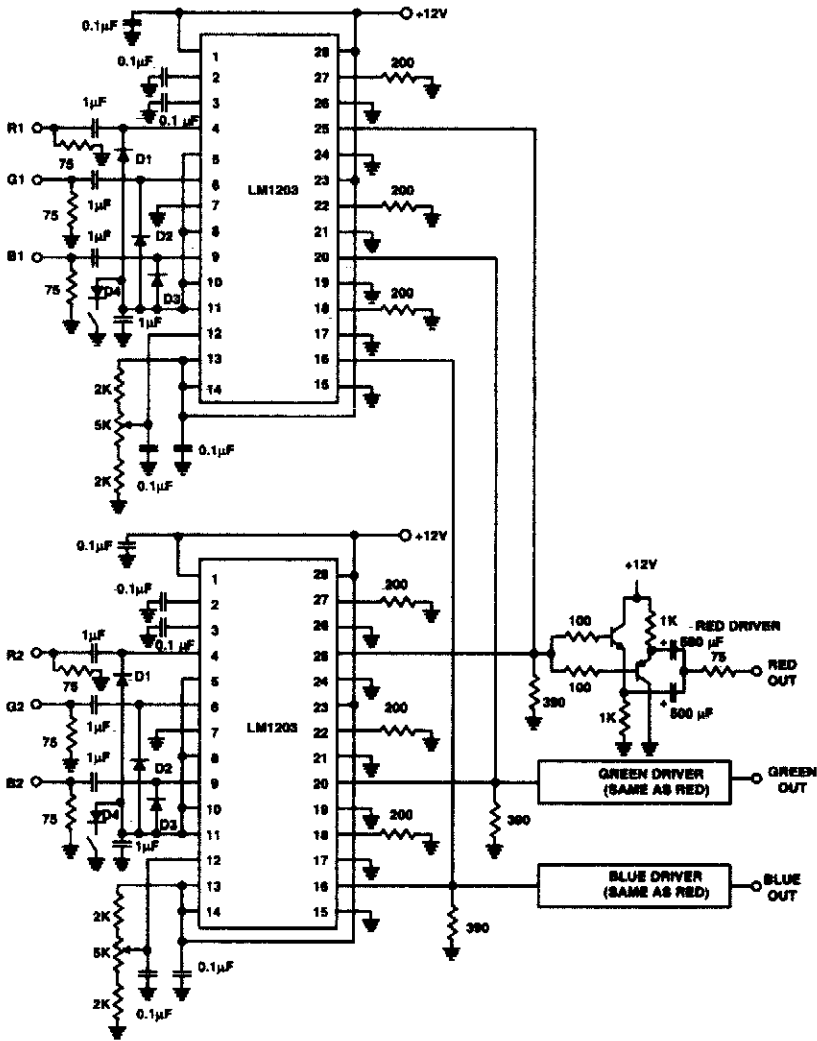


This dc-controlled switch uses an optoisolator/coupler, U1, to electrically isolate the input signal from the output-control device.

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FIG. 97-2

## WIDEBAND VIDEO SWITCH FOR RGB SIGNALS

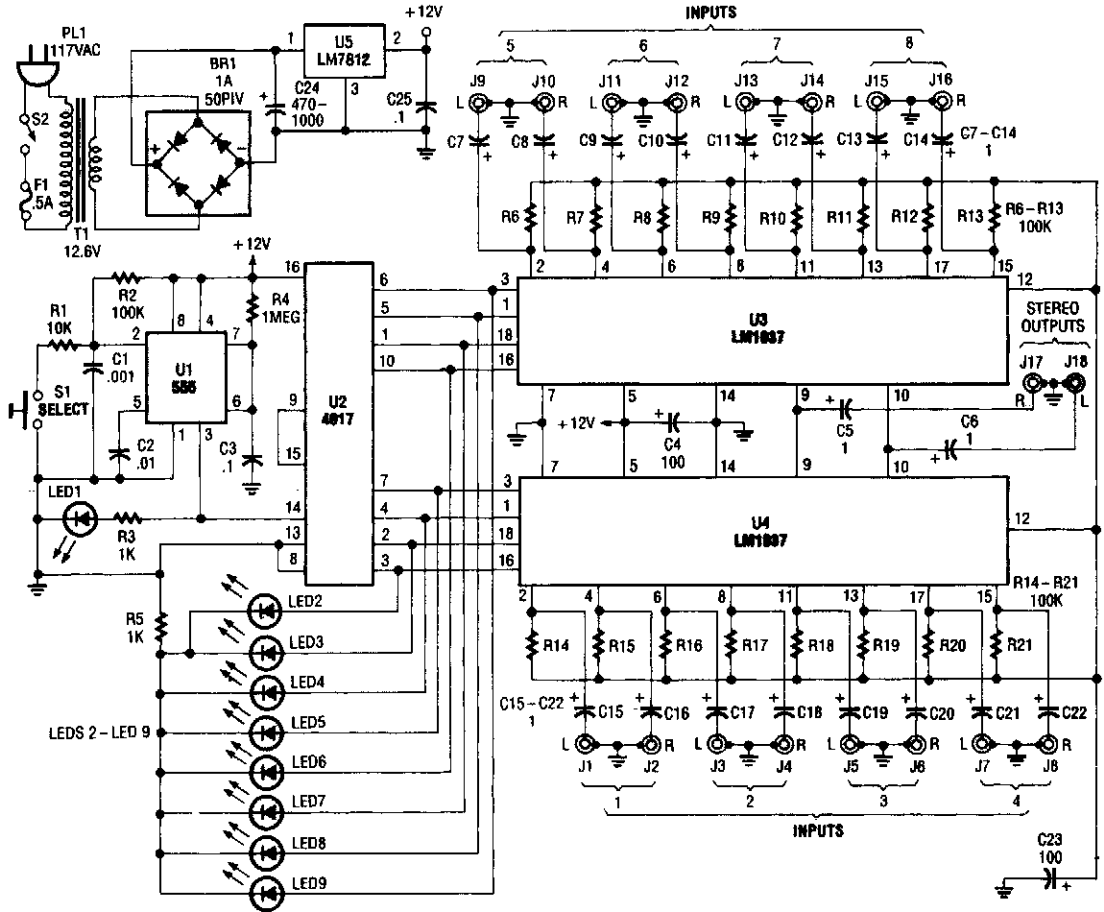


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

FIG. 97-3

The switch shown selects 1 to 2 inputs and uses a National LM1203. The slew rate is 4-V p-p into 390 Ω in 5 to 7 ns.

## EIGHT-CHANNEL AUDIO SWITCHER



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FIG. 97-4

This source is selected by pressing momentary-contact pushbutton switch S1. Switch S1 is connected to the trigger of a 555 oscillator/limer (U1) configured as a monostable multivibrator, which generates one short output pulse for each press of S1. That pulse turns on LED1 to give a visible indication that the 555 is working correctly. That pulse is also used to clock U2 (a 4017 CMOS divide-by-1-counter/divider).

Both LED1 and its associated current-limiting resistor R3 are optional and can be left out of the finished project without any affect on circuit operation. The 4017 advances by one clock pulse each time S1 is pressed, turning on its corresponding output. Pin 9 (corresponding to output 8) of U2 is directly connected to its own reset terminal at pin 15. This allows the counter to count from zero to seven, and then reset to zero on the eighth count.

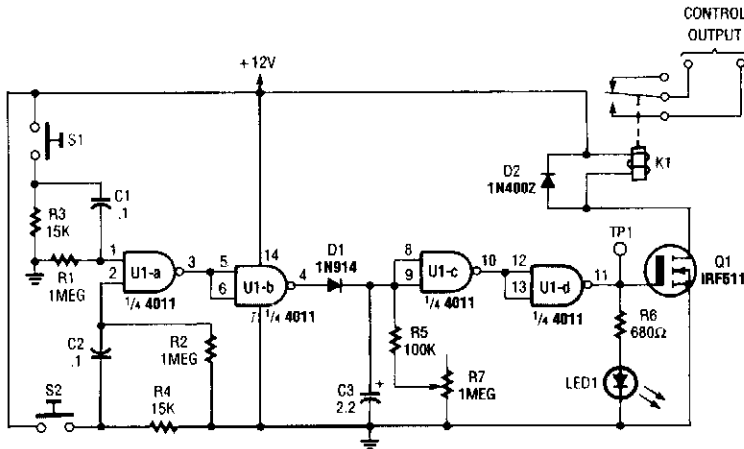
## EIGHT-CHANNEL AUDIO SWITCHER (Cont.)

Pin 13, the enable input of U2, is tied to ground to allow the counter to operate. Outputs zero through seven are connected to eight indicator LEDs and the control pins of the two LM1037s (U3 and U4). When an output is selected, its LED lights and the corresponding control input on the LM1037 is brought high.

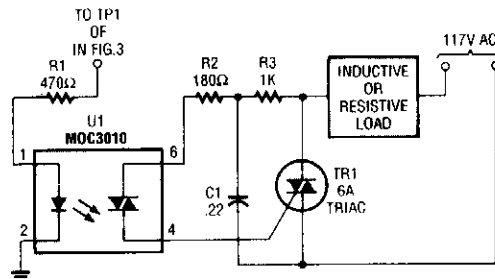
The LM1037 has extremely high-impedance inputs and low-impedance outputs, so interconnection between various types and brands of equipment should not be a problem. That, together with a wide-frequency response and low distortion, makes it ideal for use with good-quality, home-entertainment systems. The prototype of the audio switcher has a usable frequency response of from just a few hertz to over 100 kHz.

Power for the switcher is provided by a rather simple circuit. Because the switcher only draws between 20 and 30 mA, a simple circuit using the popular 7812 or 78L12 (a low-power version) voltage regulator works quite well.

## ELECTRONIC SAFETY SWITCH



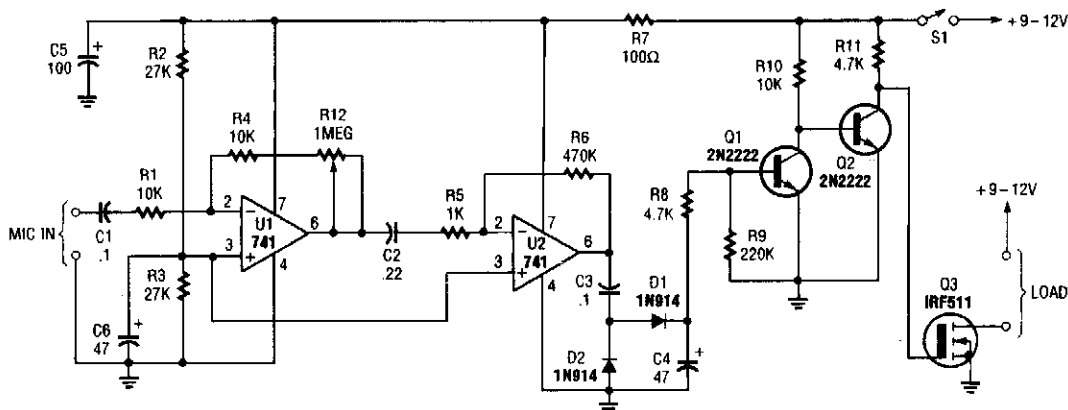
The electronic safety-control is built around a 4011 quad two-input NAND gate and an IRF511 hexFET.



The relay-replacement circuit (shown here) can be used to operate inductive or resistive loads.

S1 and S2 must be depressed within 200 ms of each other to activate K1. The hold time is adjustable via R7. S1 and S2 overlap time can be changed by changing C1 and C2 or R1 and R2.

## AUDIO-CONTROLLED SWITCH

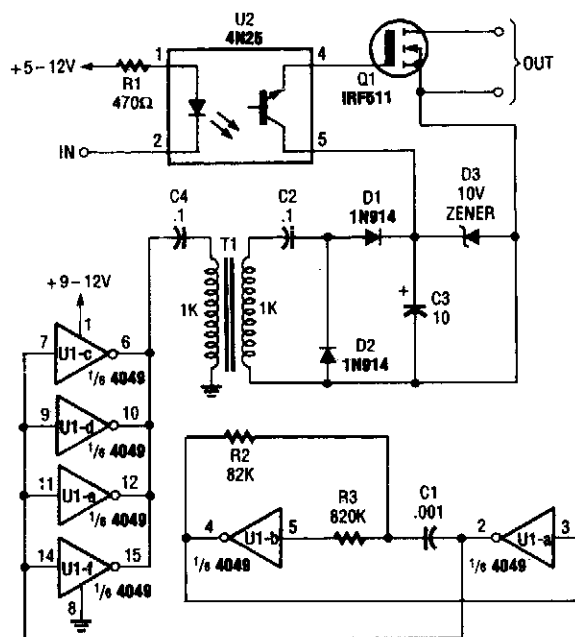


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FIG. 97-6

This audio-controlled switch combines a pair of 741 op amps, two 2N2222 general-purpose transistors, a hcxFET, and a few support components to a circuit that can be used to turn on a tape recorder, a transmitter, or just about anything that uses sound.

## OSCILLATOR TRIGGERED SWITCH

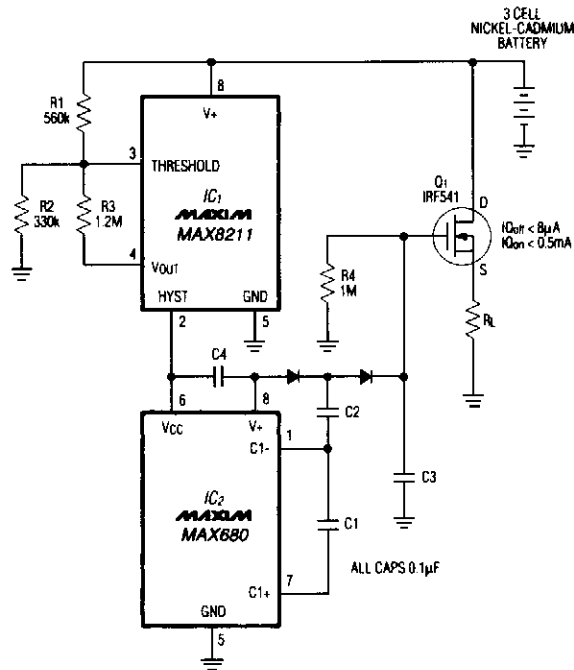


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FIG. 97-7

An oscillator is used here to generate a 9-V bias to switch Q1. This removes the need for a battery as a bias source.

## LOAD-DISCONNECT SWITCH

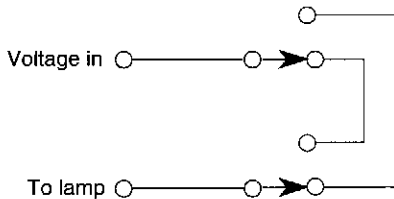


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FIG. 97-8

Deep discharge can damage a rechargeable battery. By disconnecting the battery from its load, this circuit halts battery discharge at a predetermined level of declining terminal voltage. Transistor Q1 acts as the switch. The overall circuit draws about 500  $\mu\text{A}$  when the switch is closed and about 8  $\mu\text{A}$  when the switch is open.

## TYPICAL TWO-WAY SWITCH WIRING

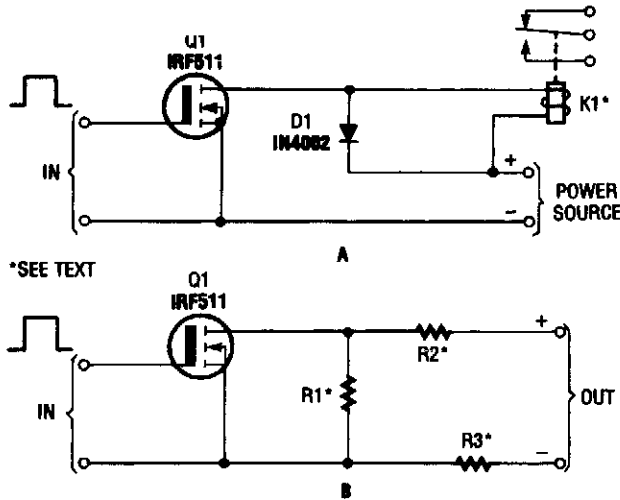


When the light is off, it can be turned on with either switch. When it's on, it can be turned off with either switch.

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FIG. 97-9

## HEXFET SWITCH



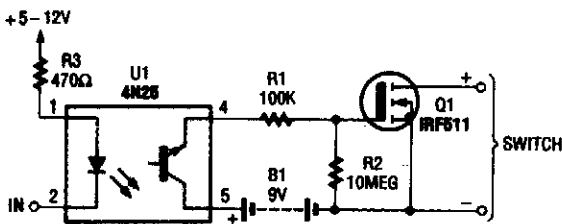
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FIG. 97-10

The hexFET can switch dc power to relays (as shown in A), motors, lamps, and numerous other devices. That arrangement can even be used to switch resistors in and out of a circuit, as shown in B. R1, R2, and R3 represent resistive loads that can be switched in and out of the circuit.

## dc-CONTROLLED FET SWITCH

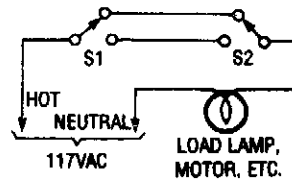


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FIG. 97-11

This dc-controlled switch uses an optoisolator/coupler, U1, to electrically isolate the input signal from the output-control device.

## REMOTE TWO WAY ac SWITCH HOOKUP



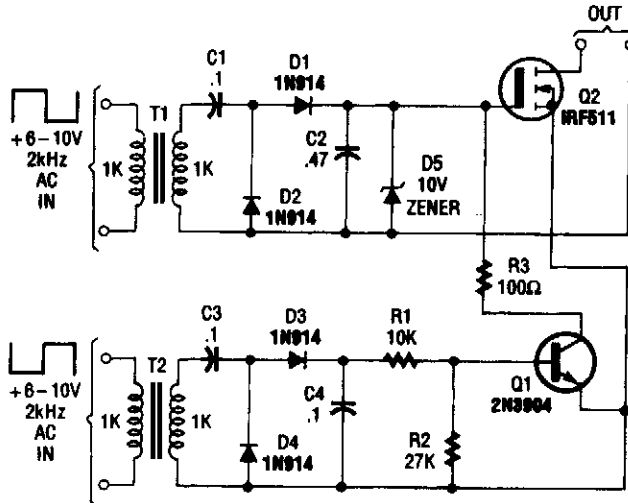
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FIG. 97-12

This switching arrangement is the type of arrangement used in both domestic and industrial environments to allow a light or other ac-operated device to be controlled from more than one location.



## DUAL-CONTROL HEXFET SWITCH



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FIG. 97-13

This dual-control switch uses two 6 to 10-Vac sources to trigger the circuit on and off; one source for each function.

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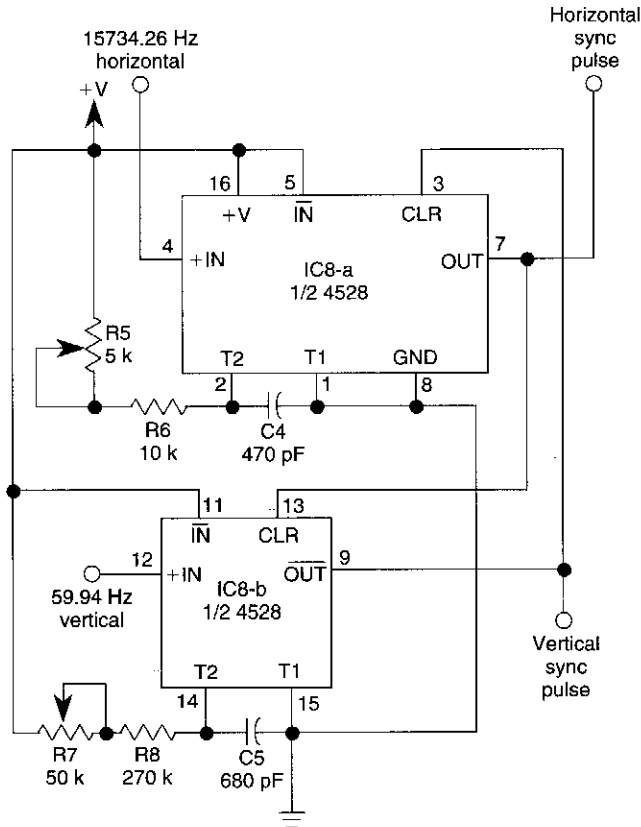
## Sync Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sync Gating Circuit  
Sync Combiner

## SYNC GATING CIRCUIT

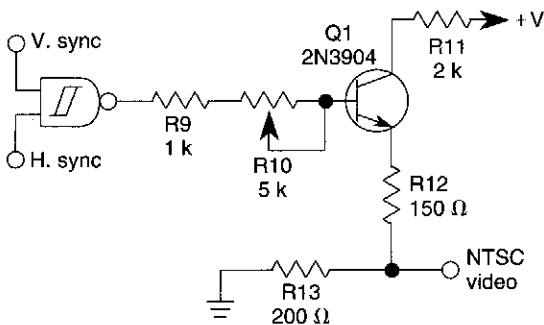


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FIG. 98-1

This circuit guarantees that only one type of sync pulse is generated at a time. During vertical sync periods, horizontal sync is disabled.

## SYNC COMBINER



This circuit combines H and V sync signals at TTL or CMOS levels and produces an NTSC video sync output.

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FIG. 98-2

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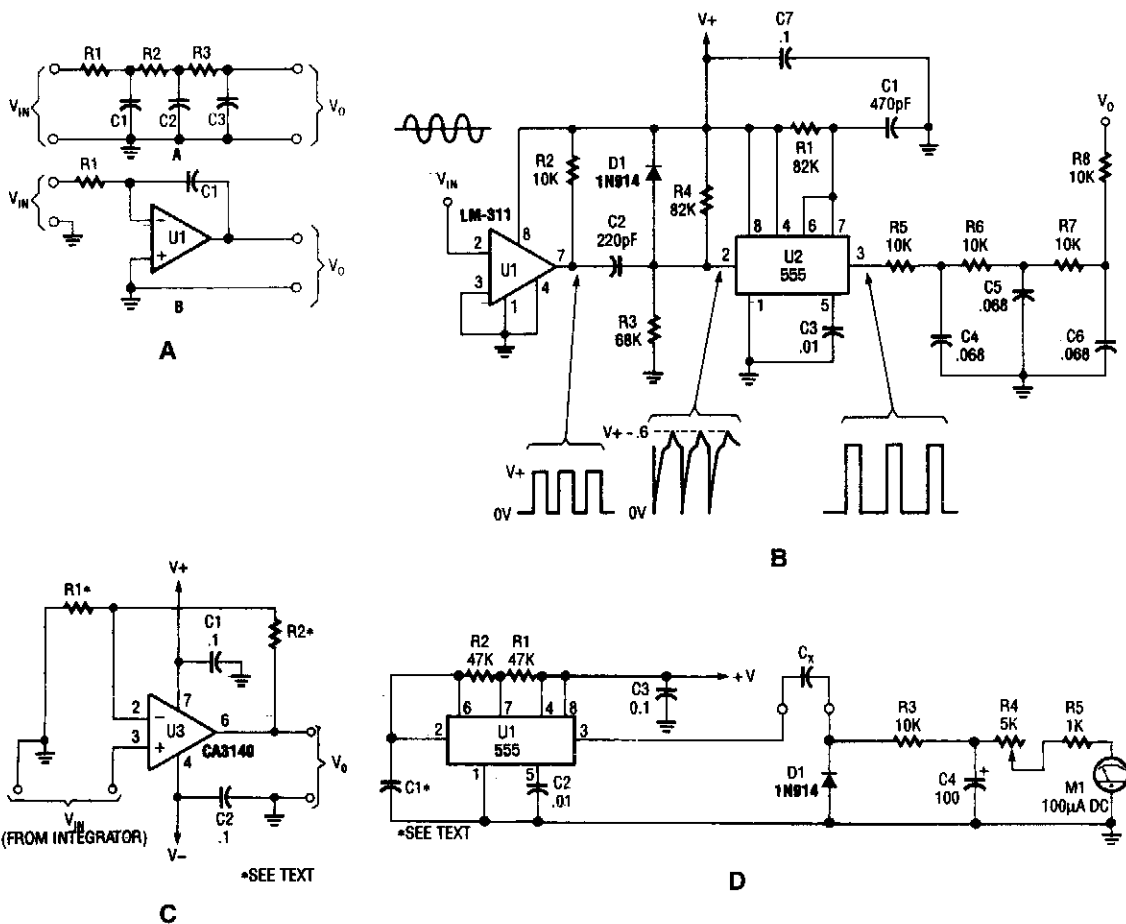
## Tachometer Circuits

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Analog Tachometer Circuits  
Analog Tachometer Circuit

## ANALOG TACHOMETER CIRCUITS



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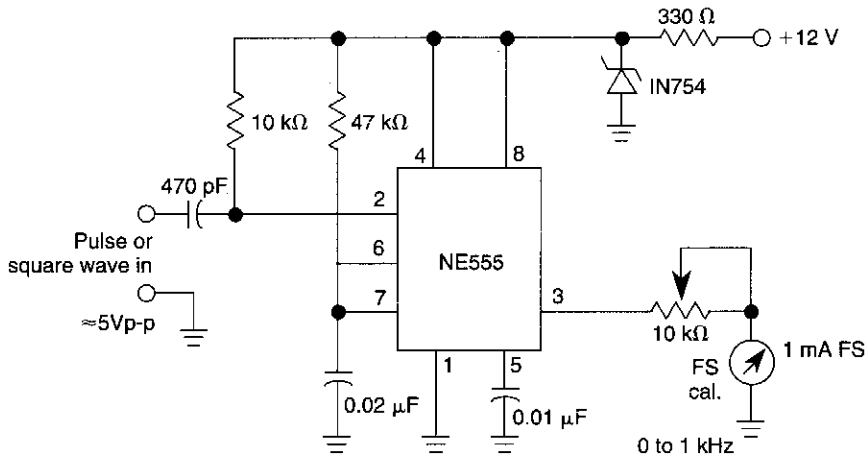
FIG. 99-1

The four circuits shown are: a passive and active integrator, an analog tachometer, a scaling amplifier, and a capacitance meter.

In B,  $T = 1.1 R_1 C_1$  (output pulse duration)

In C,  $V_o = V_{in} \left( 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)$

## ANALOG TACHOMETER CIRCUIT



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FIG. 99-2

In this tachometer circuit a 555 is used as a pulse shaper. The dc value of the integrated pulse train is read by M1 which is calibrated to read frequency. With the values shown, the meter will read 0–1 kHz.

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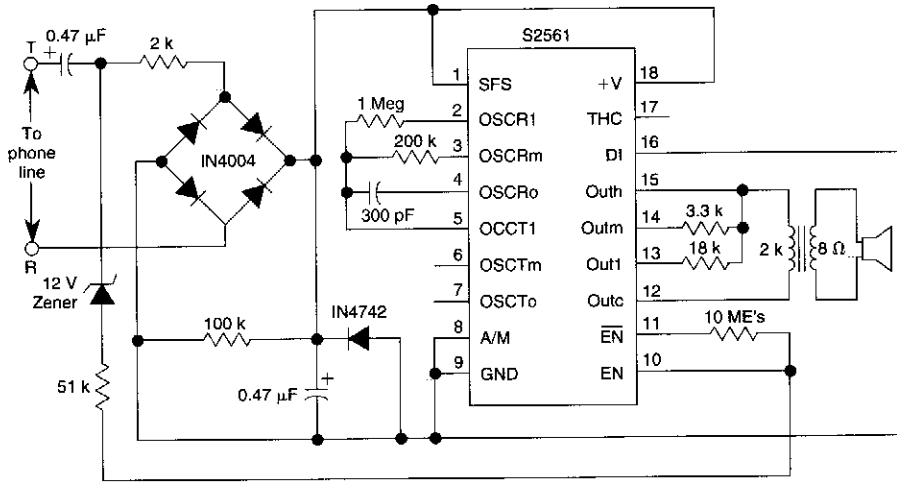
## Telephone-Related Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|  |                             |
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| Telephone Ringer                           | Telephone Scrambler         |
| Automatic Telephone-Call Recording Circuit | Phone Pager                 |
| Music on Hold                              | 5-V Dial-Tone Circuit       |
| Telephone Ring Converter                   | Phone Pager                 |
| Phone-In-Use Indicator                     | Alarm Dialer                |
| Emergency Telephone Dialer                 | Telephone Audio Interface   |
| Telephone Bell Simulator                   | Caller ID Circuit           |
| Simple Telephone Ring Indicator            | FCC Part 68 Phone Interface |
| Phone-Line Interface                       | Telephone Amplifier         |
| Music-On-Hold Box                          | Telephone Hold Circuit      |
| Speakerphone Adapter                       | Telephone Circuit           |
| Telephone Voice-Mail Alert                 | Telephone-Line Tester       |

## TELEPHONE RINGER

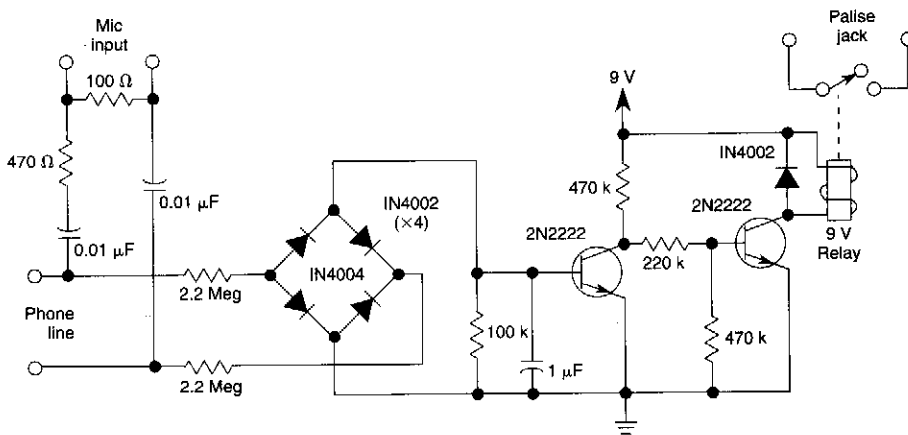


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**FIG. 100-1**

Using an AMI chip P/N S2561, this telephone ringer can be powered directly off the telephone line. Audio output is about 50 mW when powered from a 10-V source.

## AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE-CALL RECORDING CIRCUIT



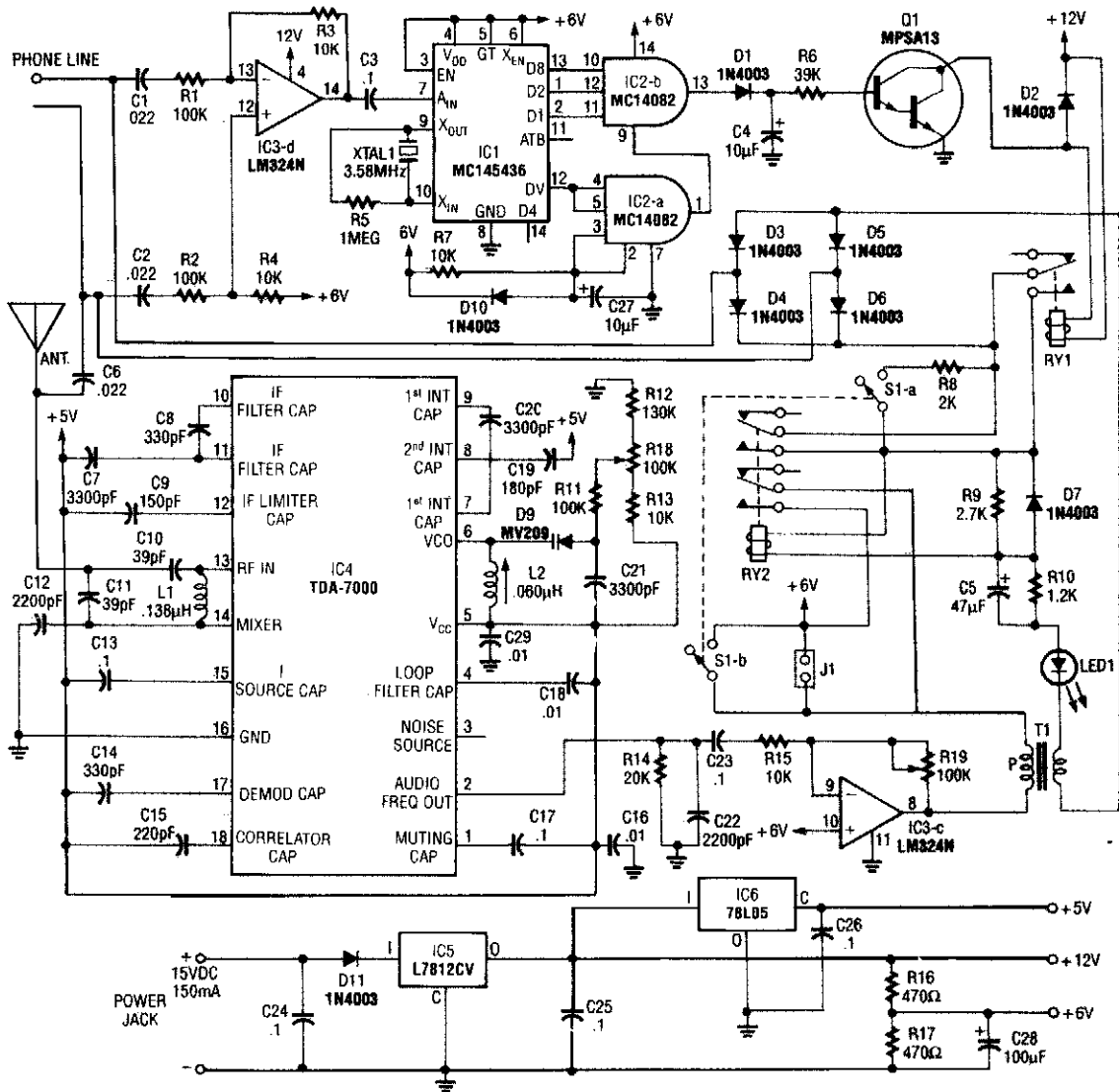
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**FIG. 100-2**

The dc voltage present on a telephone line is usually around 45 to 50 V on-hook and 6 V off-hook. This circuit uses this drop in voltage to activate a relay. The relay controls a cassette tape recorder. Audio is taken off through a network to the microphone input of the cassette.

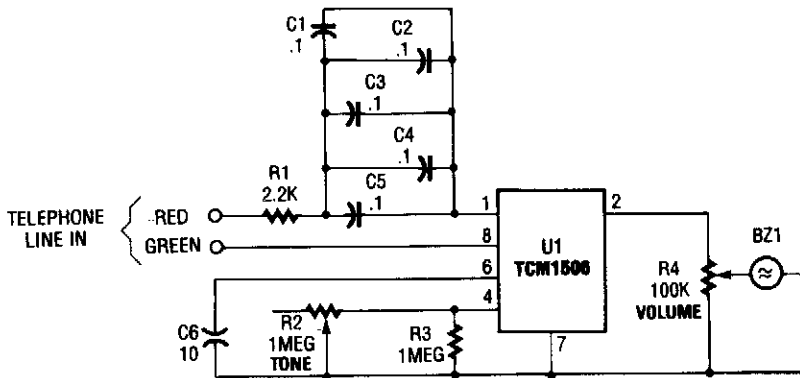


## MUSIC ON HOLD



When an asterisk \* is pressed on the touch-tone phone, IC1 a DTMF decoder, controls on-hold logic. Audio from the FM receiver IC4 is placed on the telephone line when a hold condition is present. RY2 is a DPDT 12-V relay. To place a caller on hold, press the asterisk button on the touch-tone phone and hang up the handset.

## TELEPHONE RING CONVERTER



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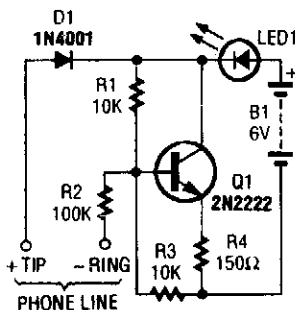
FIG. 100-4

The circuit is based on the TCM1506 ring detector/driver integrated circuit. It is a monolithic IC specifically designed to replace the telephone's mechanical bell. The chip is powered and activated by the telephone-line ring, which can vary from 40 to 150 V rms at a frequency of from 15 to 68 Hz. No other source of power is required. Again, referring to the figure shown, C1 through C5 are placed in parallel to form a 0.5- $\mu$ F capacitor that conducts the ac ring voltage to pin 1 of the TCM1506, but blocks any dc component. Of course, those capacitors can be replaced by a single 0.47- to 0.5- $\mu$ F capacitor provided that it has at least a 400-WVdc rating. Resistor R1 is in series with the capacitor network and is used to dissipate power from any high-voltage transient that might appear across the line. The diluted ac voltage that reaches pin 1 on U1 powers the chip.

Capacitor C6 is used to prevent "bell tapping." That is an annoying ringing of the bell that occurs when a phone on the same line is used to dial an outgoing call. The capacitor prevents the short dial pulses from triggering the ring detector, but still allows the much longer ring signal to activate it.

Potentiometer R2 is used to vary the tone of the ring signal from below 100 Hz to over 15 kHz. Potentiometer R4 is the volume control; adjusting that potentiometer to its lowest resistance will mute the piezo element (BZ1). When a ring signal is present on the phone-line, it powers U1. The IC then generates a tone (with a frequency that is determined by R2 and an amplitude set by R4) that is reproduced by BZ1.

## PHONE-IN-USE INDICATOR



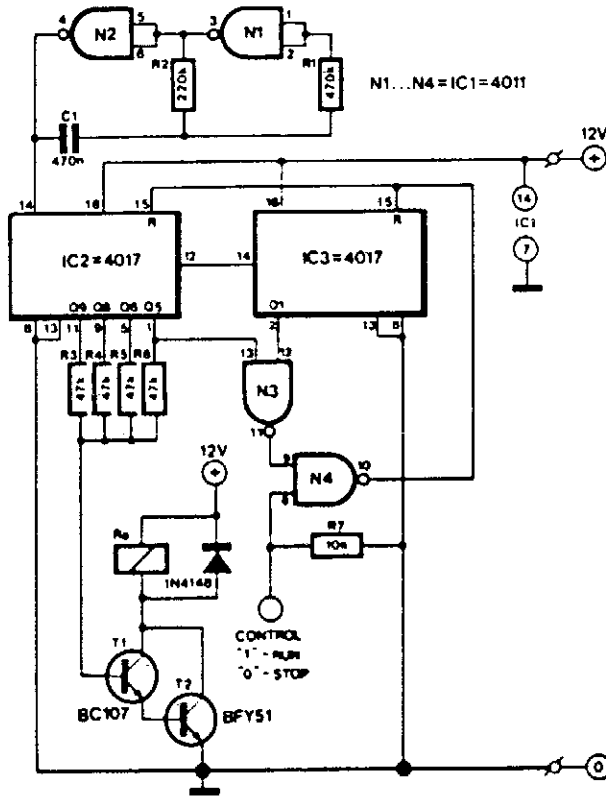
This phone-in-use indicator also indicates the presence of a ring signal. Just the thing for the hearing impaired.

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FIG. 100-5



## TELEPHONE BELL SIMULATOR

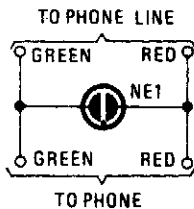


### 303 CIRCUITS

FIG. 100-7

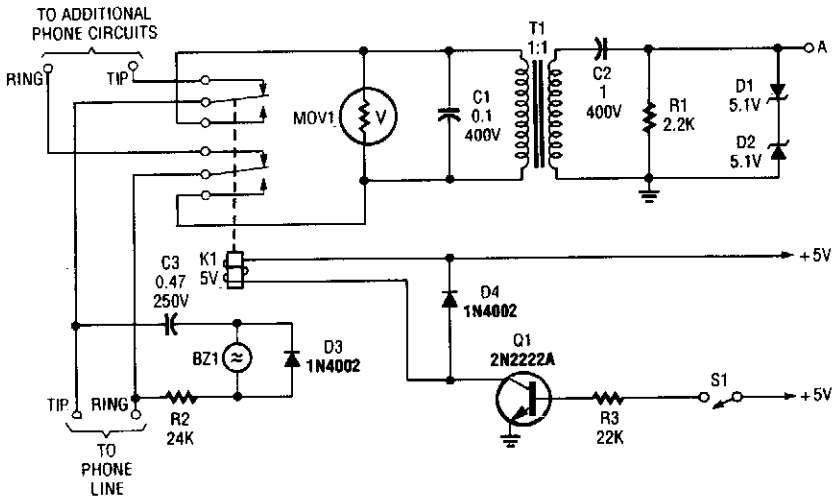
This circuit is intended for use in a small private telephone installation. The ringing tone sequence is 400 ms on, 200 ms off, 400 ms on, 2 ms off. In the accompanying diagram, N1 and N2 form an oscillator that operates at a frequency of 5 Hz, which gives a period of 200 ms. The oscillator signal is fed to two decade scalars, which are connected in such a manner (by N3 and N4) that the input signal is divided by 15. The second input of N4 can be used to switch the divider on and off by logic levels. If this facility is not used, the two inputs of N4 should be interconnected.

## SIMPLE TELEPHONE RING INDICATOR



A neon lamp can easily be added to the phone line to act as a ring indicator. It's perfect for times when you can't hear the phone.

## PHONE-LINE INTERFACE

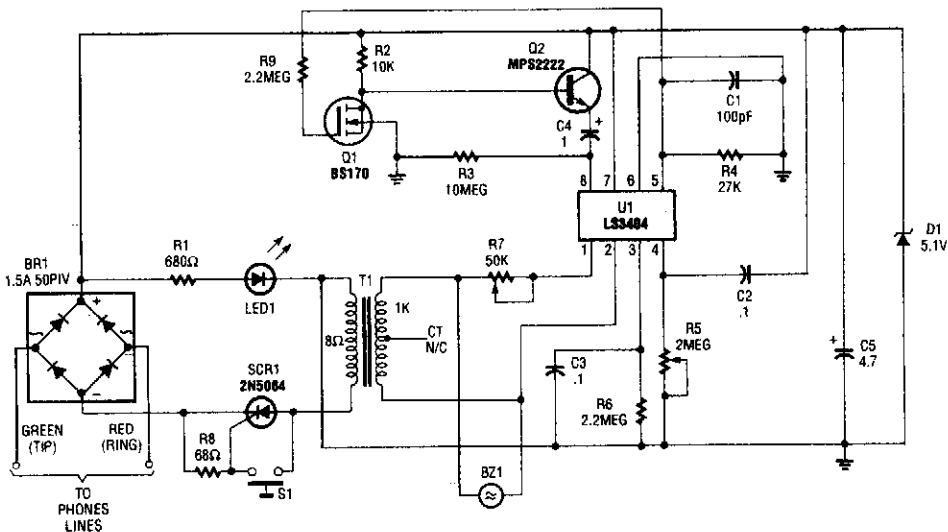


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FIG. 100-9

This circuit should be useful for interfacing phone projects to the telephone line. It has a ringer, can interrupt the wiring, and isolates project from the phone line.

## MUSIC-ON-HOLD BOX

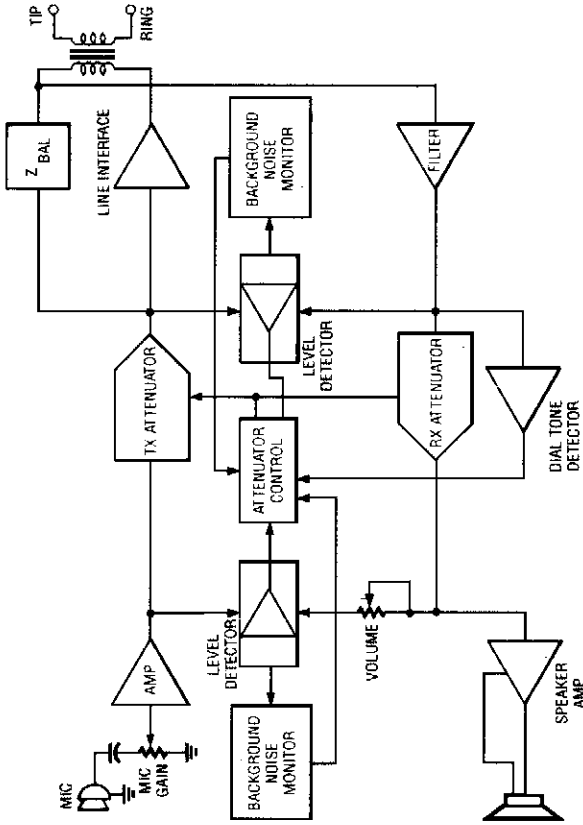


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FIG. 100-10

U1, an LS3404 melody chip is activated when "hold" S1 is pressed, which causes SCR1 to conduct and hold the telephone line via T1, R1, and LED1. The voltage across R1 and LED1 is used to activate the melody chip. Q1 and Q2 form a restart circuit to keep the melody chip going during hold.

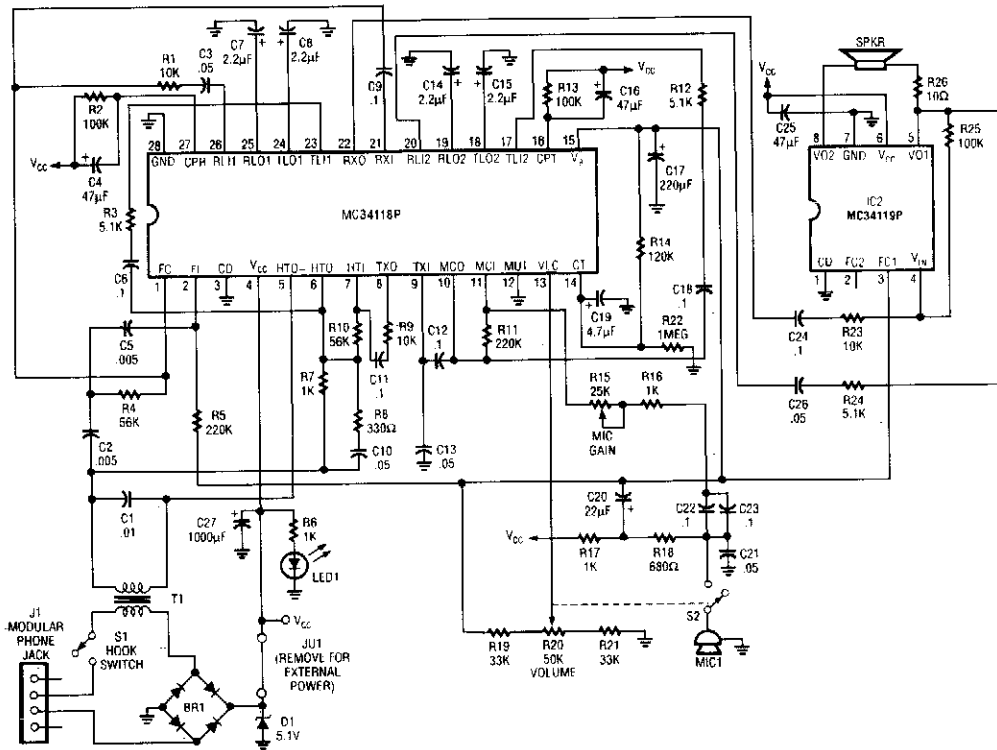
## SPEAKERPHONE ADAPTER



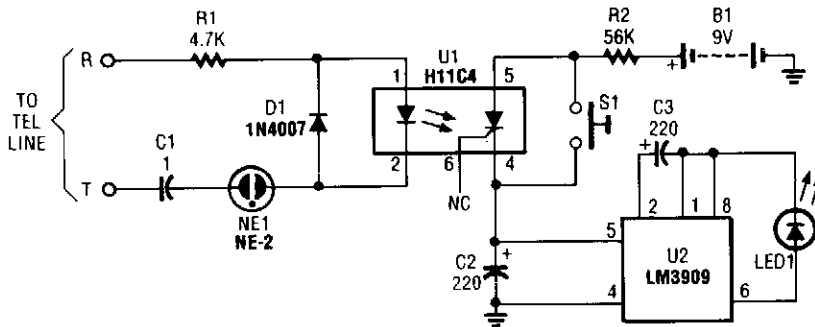
**BLOCK DIAGRAM.** The talk path goes left to right on the upper half of the drawing, and the receive path goes from right to left.

Using a Motorola MC34118 speakerphone IC, this adapter can be used with a regular telephone to provide speaker capability. This device is powered from the phone line, but it can be powered via an external power supply if the line loop current is marginally low. An external phone is needed for ringing and dialing functions.

## SPEAKERPHONE ADAPTER (Cont.)

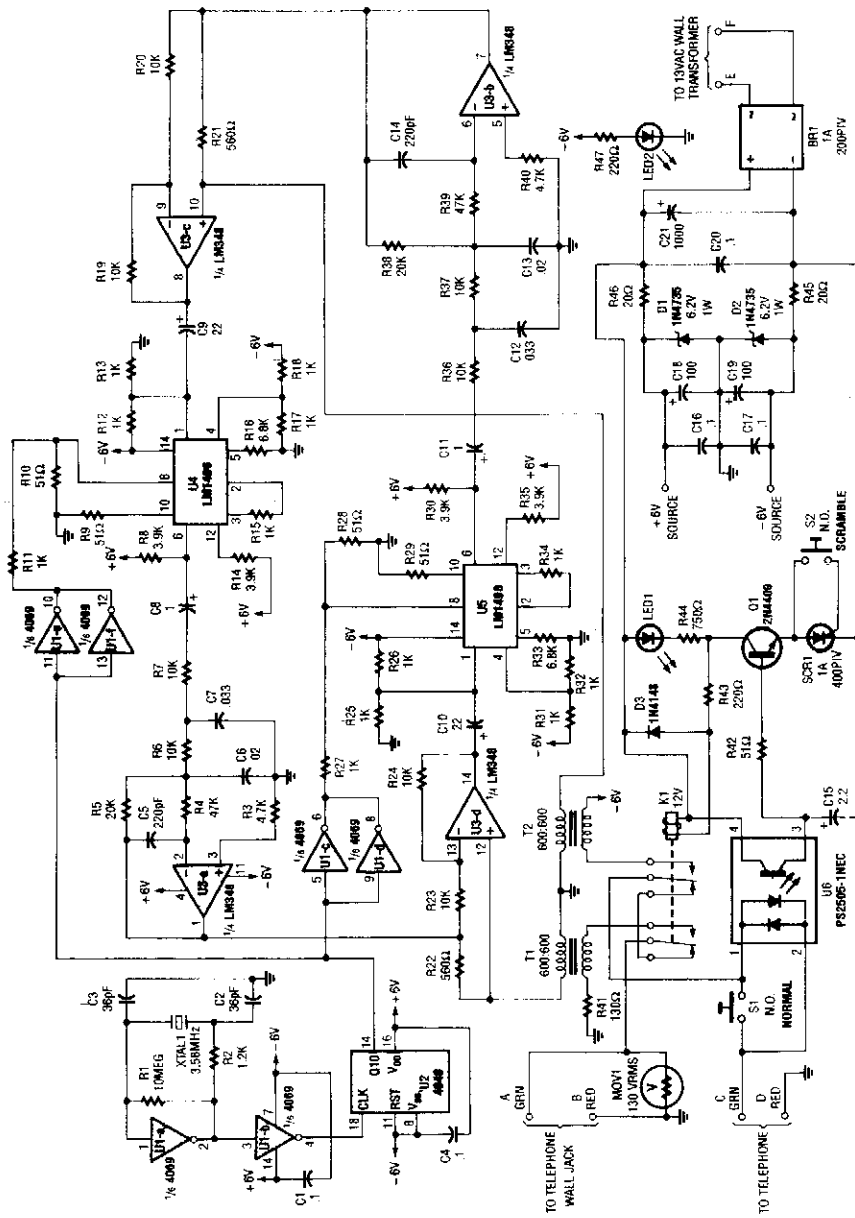


## TELEPHONE VOICE-MAIL ALERT



The circuit is built around a couple of low-cost ICs: an H11C4 optoisolator/coupler with an SCR output (U1) and an LM3909 LED flasher (U2). It is connected to the phone line in the same manner as any extension phone. A ring signal on the telephone activates the optoisolator/SCR, and causes U2 to flash LED1. This flash signifies that a ring signal has been received.

## TELEPHONE SCRAMBLER



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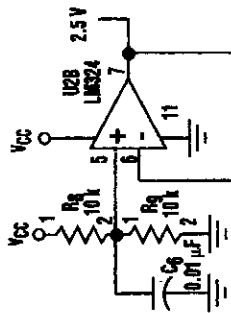
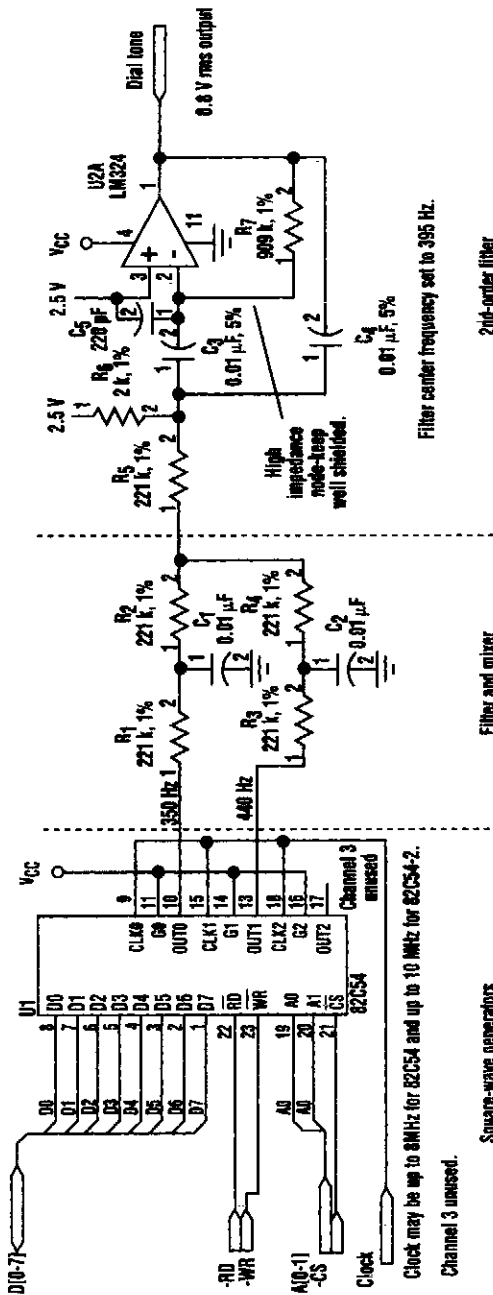
FIG. 100-13

Two hybrids (T1 and T2) are used to allow direct connection to a telephone line. This circuit uses the common speech-inversion algorithm where the frequency of an audio signal is inverted about a center frequency. An LM1496 balanced modulator is used to heterodyne the speech range against a 3.58-kHz signal.





### 5-V DIAL-TONE CIRCUIT



Square-wave generators

#### 82C54 PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

- OUT BASE, 76h ; Set up channel 1 as sqr wave divider
- OUT BASE+1, DIVISOR low byte ; Enter divisor for 350Hz, low byte
- OUT BASE+1, DIVISOR high byte ; Enter divisor for 350Hz, high byte
- OUT BASE, 0b6h ; Set up channel 2 as sqr wave divider
- OUT BASE+2, DIVISOR low byte ; Enter divisor for 440Hz, low byte
- OUT BASE+2, DIVISOR high byte ; Enter divisor for 440Hz, high byte

For 1.8432MHz Clock, 350 Hz divisor = 5266 or 1492 hex.  
For 1.8432MHz Clock, 440 Hz divisor = 4189 or 105d hex.

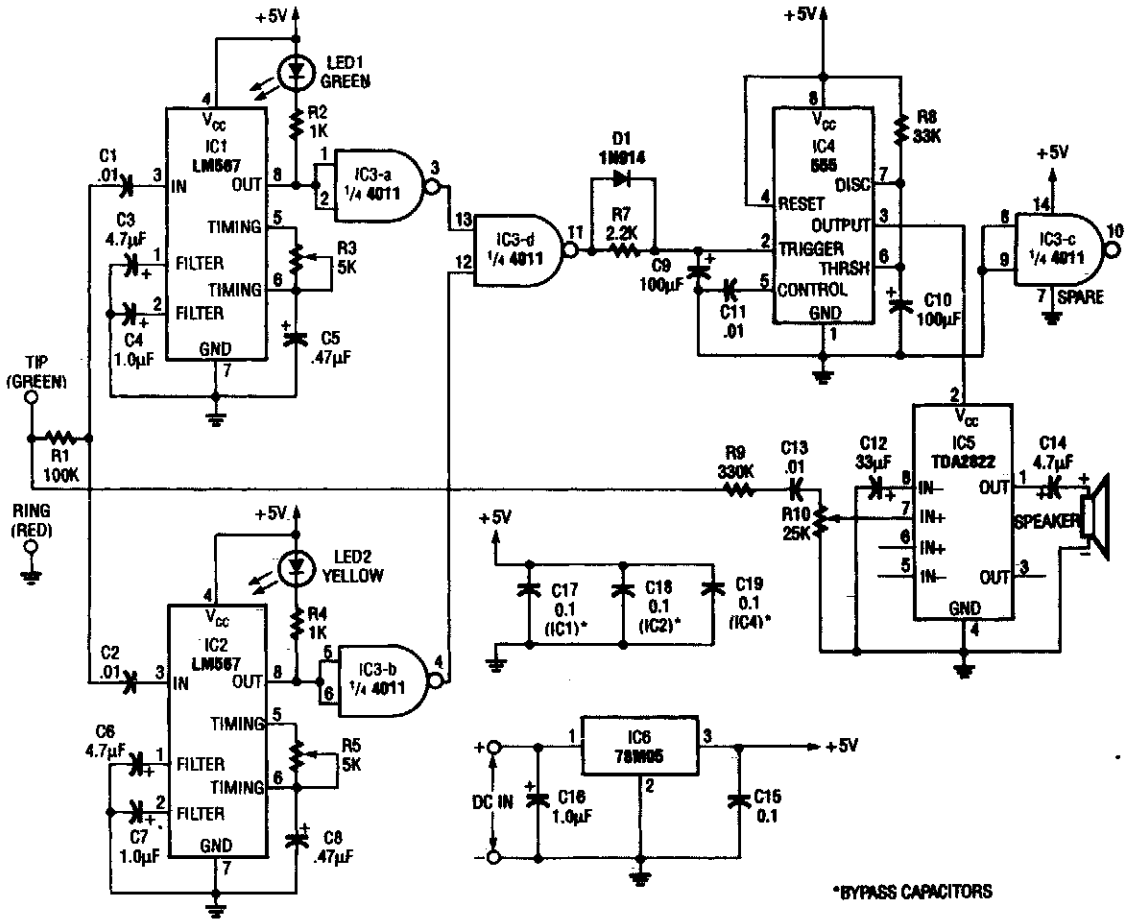
#### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This circuit uses inexpensive, common components to generate a precise dial tone for phone applications (see the figure). U1 (an Intel 82C54 timer-counter) generates 350- and 440-Hz square waves that are filtered by  $R_1/C_1$  and  $R_3/C_2$ , and mixed together by resistors R2 and R4.

An operational amplifier configured as a 395-Hz, Sallen-Key, second-order bandpass filter (halfway between 350 and 440 Hz) removes unwanted signal harmonics. Almost any timer-counter can be used as the signal source, so long as it produces roughly square-wave outputs.

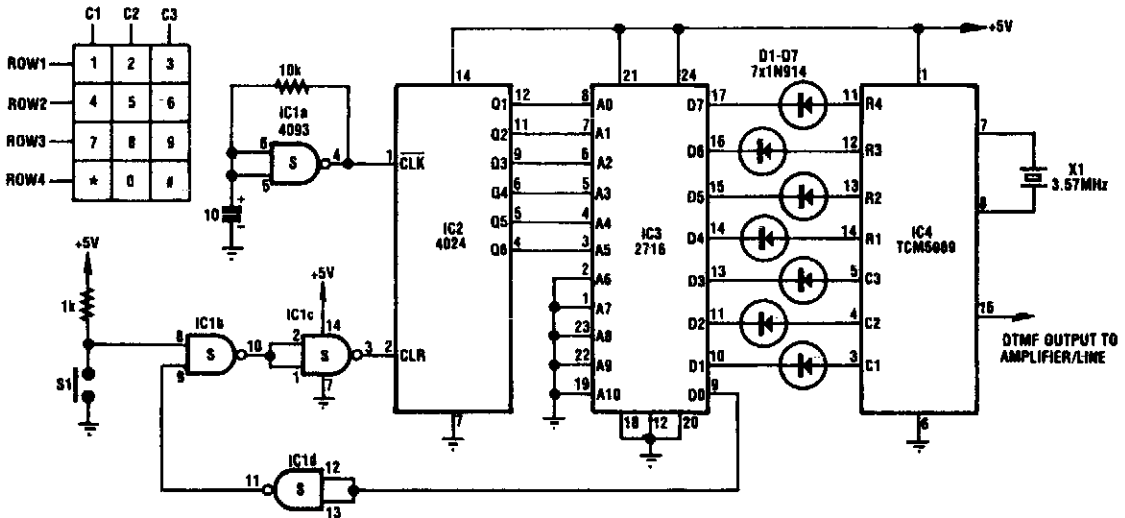
FIG. 100-15

## PHONE PAGER



This pager works with DTMF phones. It displays a number and sounds an alert as the number on the display corresponds to a specific message.

## ALARM DIALER



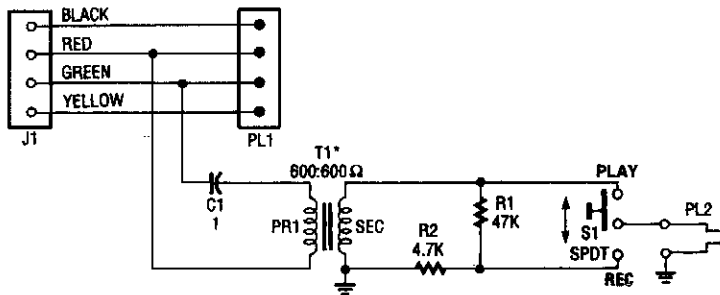
SILICON CHIP

FIG. 100-17

This circuit dials a stored DTMF tone sequence from EPROM when a control line is taken to 0 V. IC1 is a Schmitt trigger oscillator, running at around 2 Hz. It clocks a 4024 binary counter. The counter's outputs connect to the address leads of the EPROM. A 2716 was used here, but the choice of EPROM is by no means critical.

Normally, the counter is held reset by a logic 1 on its reset pin (pin 2). When the trigger input is sent low, pin 10 of IC1 goes low, pin 3 goes high, and the reset is removed from the counter. It then begins to clock, incrementing the EPROM. When moved from address 000000, the data on bit D0 of the EPROM changes to a logic 1 and holds the circuit running. The last address should have data 11111110 to reset the circuit to standby.

## TELEPHONE AUDIO INTERFACE

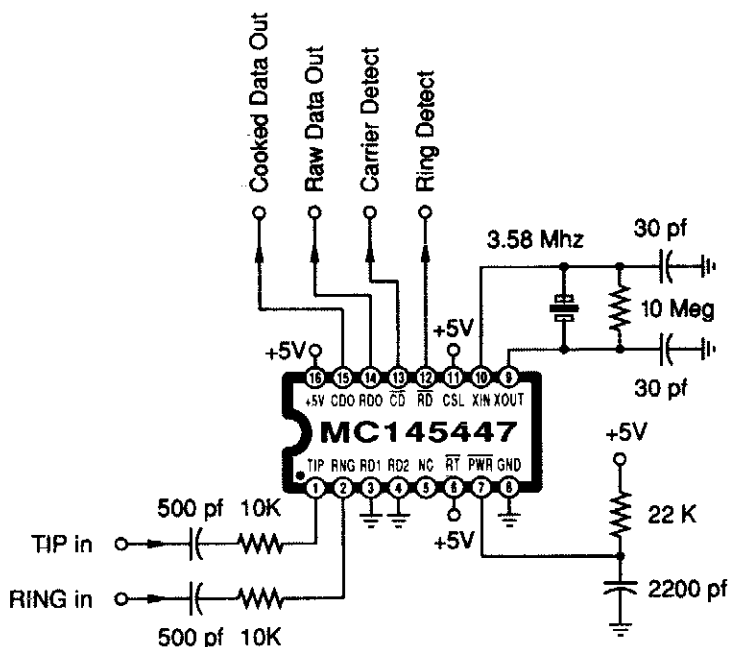


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FIG. 100-18

Used to record and play back tapes via the phone lines, this simple circuit has an audio level switch (S1).

## CALLER ID CIRCUIT



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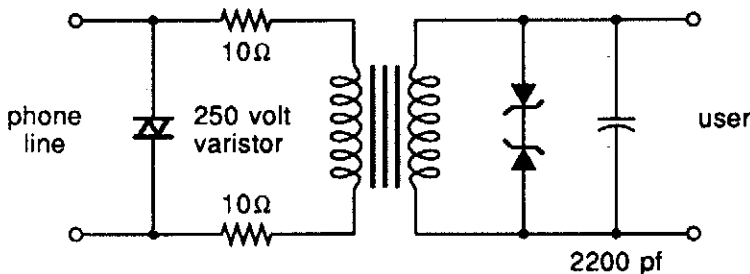
**FIG. 100-19**

This caller ID circuit uses the Motorola MC145447 IC chip. This service must be available from your local phone company in order for this circuit to be used.

## FCC PART 68 PHONE INTERFACE

The transformer is 1:1  
600 Ohms, with a 1500  
volt breakdown rating.

The zener diodes are  
3.9 volt devices, such  
as a type 1N5228.

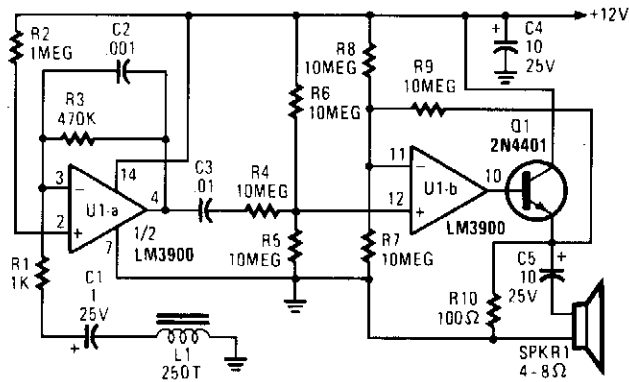


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**FIG. 100-20**

An FCC Part 68 interface is required any time you connect any circuit of your own to the phone line.

## TELEPHONE AMPLIFIER



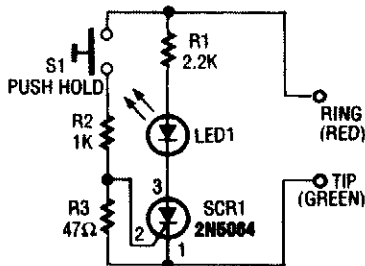
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FIG. 100-21

Section U1-a is configured as a high-gain inverting voltage amplifier that is inductively coupled to the phone line via L1. Inductor L1 is a homemade unit that consists of 250 turns of fine, enamel-coated wire that is wound on an iron core. The op amp receives the few mV produced by L1 via C1 and R1 and amplifies the signal. Capacitor C1 acts as the negative-feedback component that limits the circuit's high-frequency gain, while R3 limits the low-frequency gain. Resistor R3 is particularly important because without it, the amplifier would saturate.

Op amp U1-b is configured as a difference amplifier. It receives a signal from U1-a via C3 and R4 and amplifies the difference between it and half of the supply voltage. Transistor Q1 is configured as a common-collector amplifier ensuring sufficient signal to drive the speaker. Capacitor C5 is used to remove any dc component provided by transistor Q1.

## TELEPHONE HOLD CIRCUIT



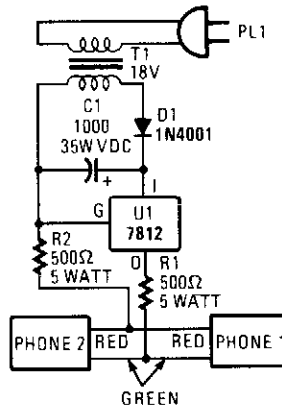
When S1 is pressed, the SCR fires, and places LED1 and R1 across the phone line. The line voltage drops to about 20 V, which holds the connection to the phone company's central office.

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FIG. 100-22

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## TELEPHONE CIRCUIT



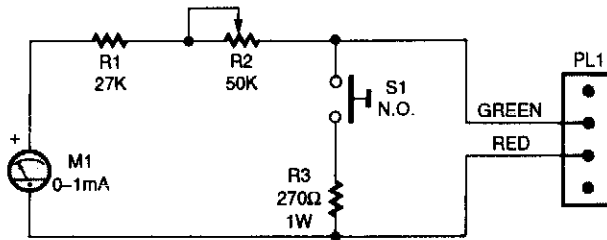
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FIG. 100-23

This circuit is useful for checking out old telephones by providing them with the dc voltage that they require for operation.

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## TELEPHONE-LINE TESTER



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FIG. 100-24

The telephone-line tester consists of nothing more than a meter (that's used to measure line voltage in the on- and off-hook state), three resistors (one of which is variable), a pushbutton switch, and a modular telephone connector. When the circuit is connected to the telephone line, a meter reading of 5 to 10 V (when S1 is pressed) indicates that the line is okay.

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## Temperature-Related Circuits

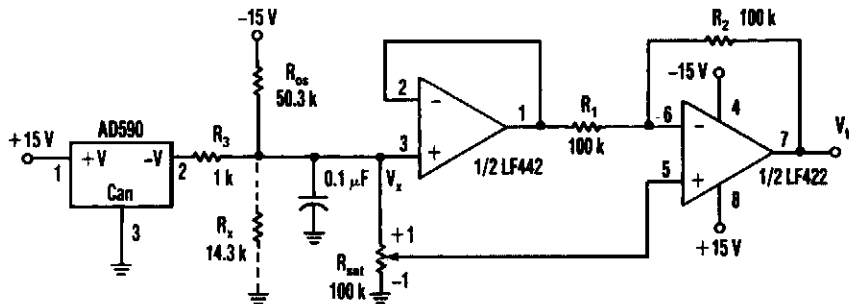
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Temperature Compensation Adjuster  
Thermometer for 5-V Operation  
Hook Sensor on 4- to 20-mA Loop  
Basic Digital Thermometer  
Remote Temperature Sensing  
Temperature Sensor  
Low Temperature Sensor  
Electronic Thermostat



## TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION ADJUSTER

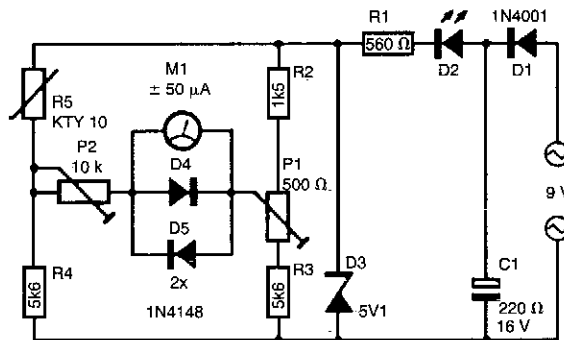


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 101-1

The circuit shown delivers +10 to -10 mV/°C output using an Analog Devices' AD590 temperature transducer.  $R_x$  is a scaling resistor.

## THERMOMETER FOR 5-V OPERATION



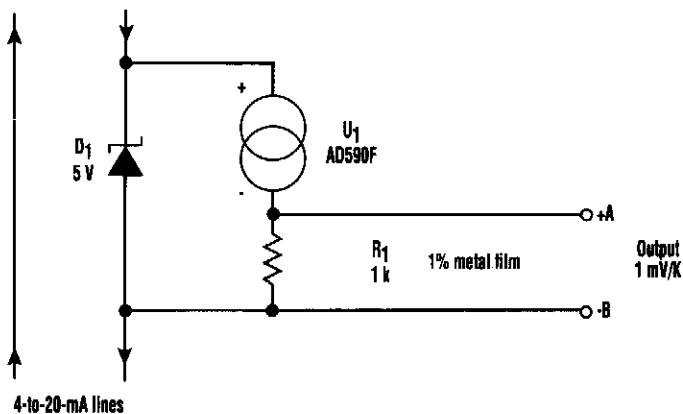
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FIG. 101-2

At the heart of this simple circuit is the well-known type KTY10 temperature sensor from Siemens. This silicon sensor is essentially a temperature-dependent resistor that is connected as one arm in a bridge circuit here. Preset P1 functions to balance the bridge at 0°C. At that temperature, moving coil meter M1 should not deflect, i.e., the needle is in the center position. Temperature variations cause the bridge to be unbalanced, and hence produce a proportional indication on the meter. Calibration at, say, 20°C is carried out with the aid of P2.

The bridge is fed from a stabilized 5.1-V supply, based on a temperature-compensated zener diode. It is also possible to feed the thermometer from a 9-V battery, provided D1-D3, R1 and C1 are replaced with a Type 78L05 voltage regulator, because this is more economic as regards to current consumption.

## HOOK SENSOR ON 4- TO 20-mA LOOP



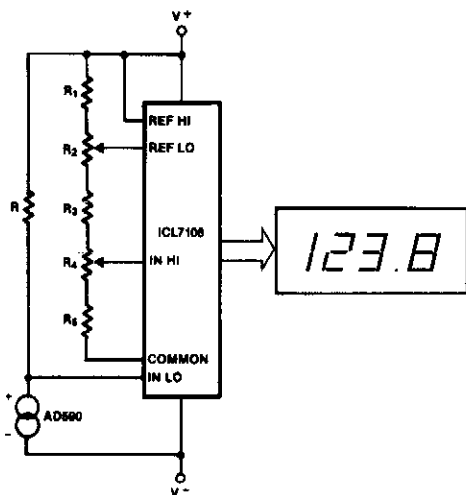
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

FIG. 101-3

Here's an effective for a temperature sensor to receive power from a 4-to-20 mA loop without actually affecting the loop current (see the figure). This particular temperature sensor IC (AD590F) conducts 1  $\mu\text{A}/\text{K}$  when powered by a supply in the range of 4 V to 40 Vdc.

The scheme uses a 5-V Zener diode (D1) to regulate the power source for AD590F. Most of the current flows through the Zener diode and a small current flows through AD590F. A high-impedance device can read the temperature information across R1, which is a 1 mV/K in the range of  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $150^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The waste of power is negligible in this arrangement.

## BASIC DIGITAL THERMOMETER



|                    | R    | R <sub>1</sub> | R <sub>2</sub> | R <sub>3</sub> | R <sub>4</sub> | R <sub>5</sub> |
|--------------------|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| $^{\circ}\text{F}$ | 9.00 | 4.02           | 2.0            | 12.4           | 10.0           | 0              |
| $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 5.00 | 4.02           | 2.0            | 5.11           | 5.0            | 11.8           |

$$\sum_{n=1}^5 R_n = 28\text{k}\Omega \text{ nominal}$$

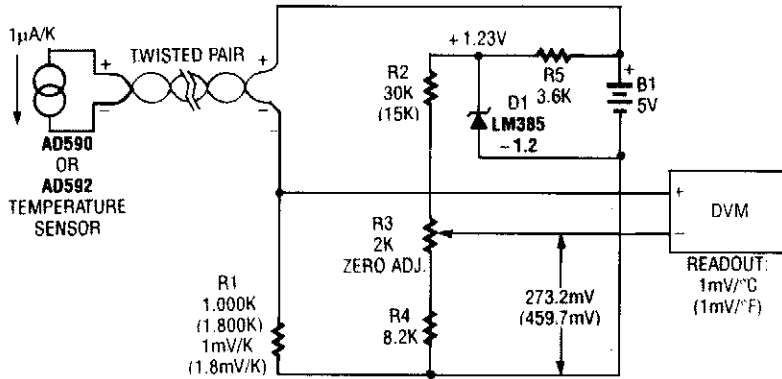
All values in  $\text{k}\Omega$

The ICL7106 has a  $V_{\text{IN}}$  span of  $\pm 2.0\text{V}$ , and a  $V_{\text{CM}}$  range of  $(V^+ - 0.5)$  Volts to  $(V^- + 1)$  Volts; R is scaled to bring each range within  $V_{\text{CM}}$  while not exceeding  $V_{\text{IN}}$ .  $V_{\text{REF}}$  for both scales is 500mV. Maximum reading on the Celsius range is  $199.9^{\circ}\text{C}$ , limited by the (short-term) maximum allowable sensor temperature. Maximum reading on the Fahrenheit range is  $199.9^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $93.3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), limited by the number of display digits. See note next page.

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FIG. 101-4

## REMOTE TEMPERATURE SENSING

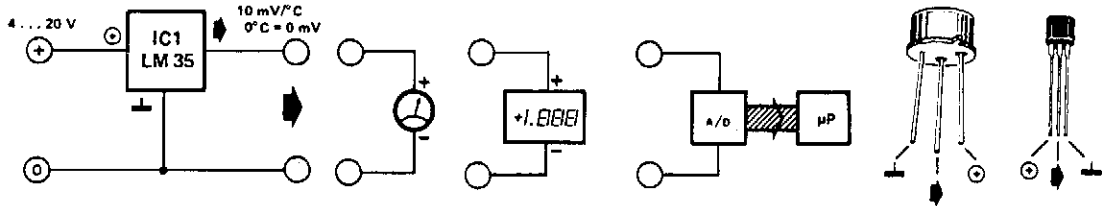


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FIG. 101-5

An AD590 or AD592 makes it easy to transmit temperature data over a pair of wires. The circuit produces  $1\text{mV}/\text{C}$  (or  $1\text{mV}/\text{F}$  using the values in parentheses).

## TEMPERATURE SENSOR

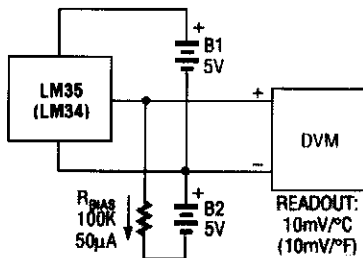


303 CIRCUITS

FIG. 101-6

The LM35 temperature sensor provides an output of  $10\text{mV}/\text{C}$  for every degree Celsius over  $0\text{C}$ . At  $20\text{C}$  the output voltage is  $20 \times 10 = 200\text{mV}$ . The circuit consumes  $60\mu\text{A}$ . The load resistance should not be less than  $5\text{k}\Omega$ . A 4- to 20-V supply can be used.

## LOW TEMPERATURE SENSOR

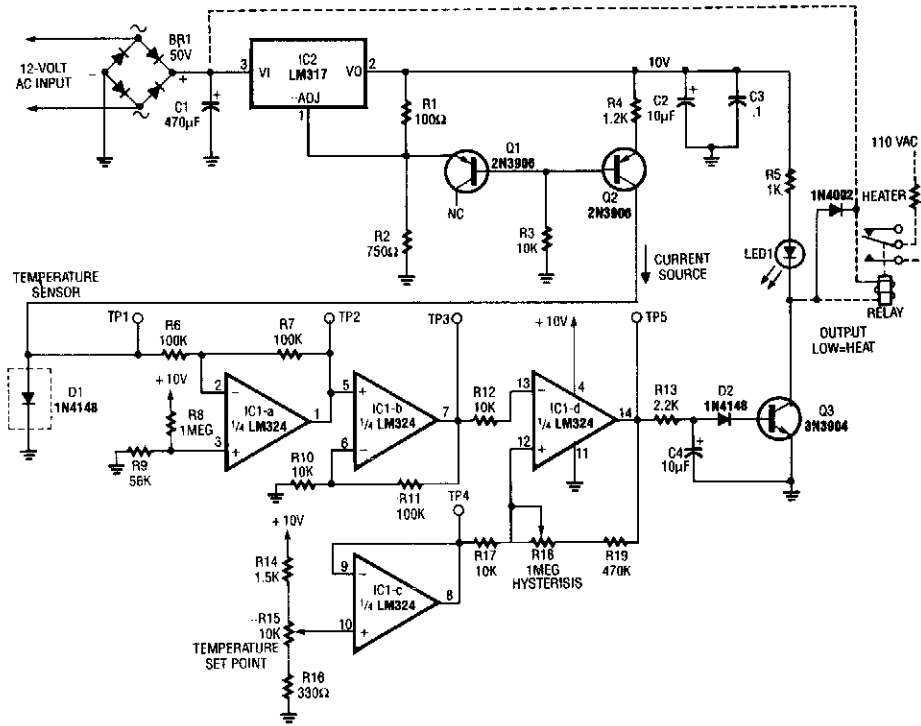


A negative bias current can produce the offset needed for below-zero readings using the LM34 or LM35 temperature sensor.

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FIG. 101-7

## ELECTRONIC THERMOSTAT



**TABLE 1—RESISTOR VALUES**

| Temperature Range<br>(Degrees C) | R14  | R15 | R16  |
|----------------------------------|------|-----|------|
| - 50 to - 30                     | 10K  | 1K  | 330Ω |
| - 30 to - 10                     | 9.1K | 1K  | 1.2K |
| - 10 to 15                       | 8.2K | 1K  | 2.2K |
| 15 to 35                         | 7.5K | 1K  | 3.3K |
| 35 to 55                         | 6.2K | 1K  | 4.3K |
| 55 to 75                         | 5.1K | 1K  | 5.1K |
| 75 to 95                         | 4.3K | 1K  | 6.2K |
| 95 to 115                        | 3.3K | 1K  | 6.8K |
| 115 to 135                       | 2.2K | 1K  | 8.2K |
| 135 to 155                       | 1.2K | 1K  | 9.1K |

A diode, such as a 1N4148, has a typical  $-2\text{m V}/^\circ\text{C}$  temperature coefficient at a 1 mA diode current. Q1 and Q2 form a constant current source. D1 is the temperature sensor. IC1-a and -b are dc amplifiers, with IC1-c a temperature reference voltage supply. IC1-d is a comparator with variable hysteresis. R14, R15, and R16 are chosen depending on the thermostat range desired. Q3 is a relay driver (2N3904). The relay used should handle the load current or an optoisolator triac combination can be used.

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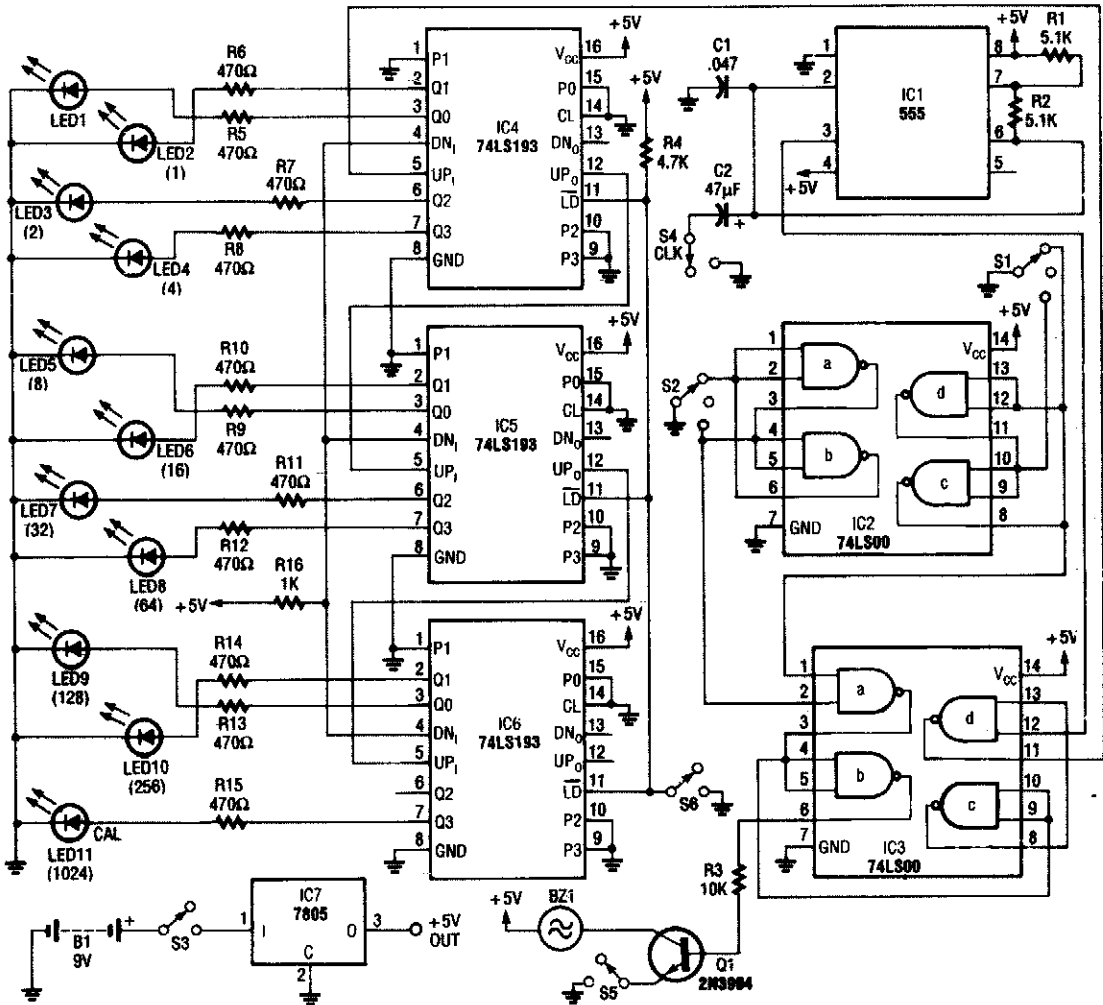
## Timer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

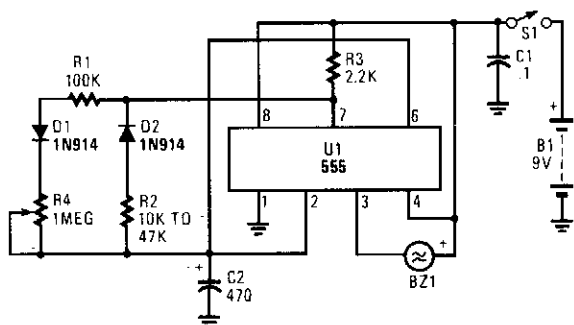
Reflex Timer  
Tele-Timer  
Three-Stage Sequential Timer  
2- to 2000-Minute Timer  
Long Period Timer  
Wide-Range Timer—1 Minute to 400 HRS  
Long Delay-Period Timer  
Count-Down Timer  
Extended On-Time Timer

## REFLEX TIMER



This timer circuit uses a 555 IC timer and three 74LS193 counters to drive an LED display. S1 is activated by one person, who turns on piezo buzzer BZ1 via Q1 and also starts the clock; S1 is activated by the other person being timed. This shuts off the timer, and the number of LEDs lit indicate, in binary form, the elapsed time.

## TELE-TIMER



Here's how the dual timer operates. When the power is switched on, C2 begins to charge through R3, R1, D1, and R4 to start the long-term timer period. When the voltage across C2 reaches the 555's internal switching point, the long-term timer times out, discharging C2 through R2, D2, and pin 7 of the 555. During that time, pin 3 of the 555 is pulled to ground, activating the piczo sounder.

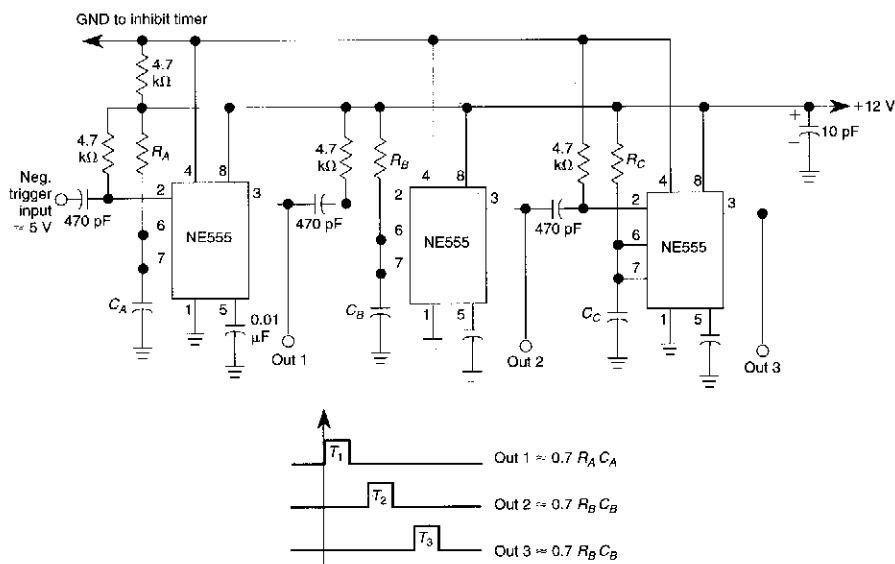
To set the short time period to about four seconds, use a 10 k resistor for R2, and for about twenty seconds use a 47 k resistor. The timing capacitor, C2, should be a good-quality, low-leakage unit.

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FIG. 102-2

The circuit is built around a 555 oscillator/timer. The circuit provides two time periods. The long-running time period is adjustable from about 1 to 10 minutes, and the short time period is pre-set to about three seconds.

## THREE-STAGE SEQUENTIAL TIMER

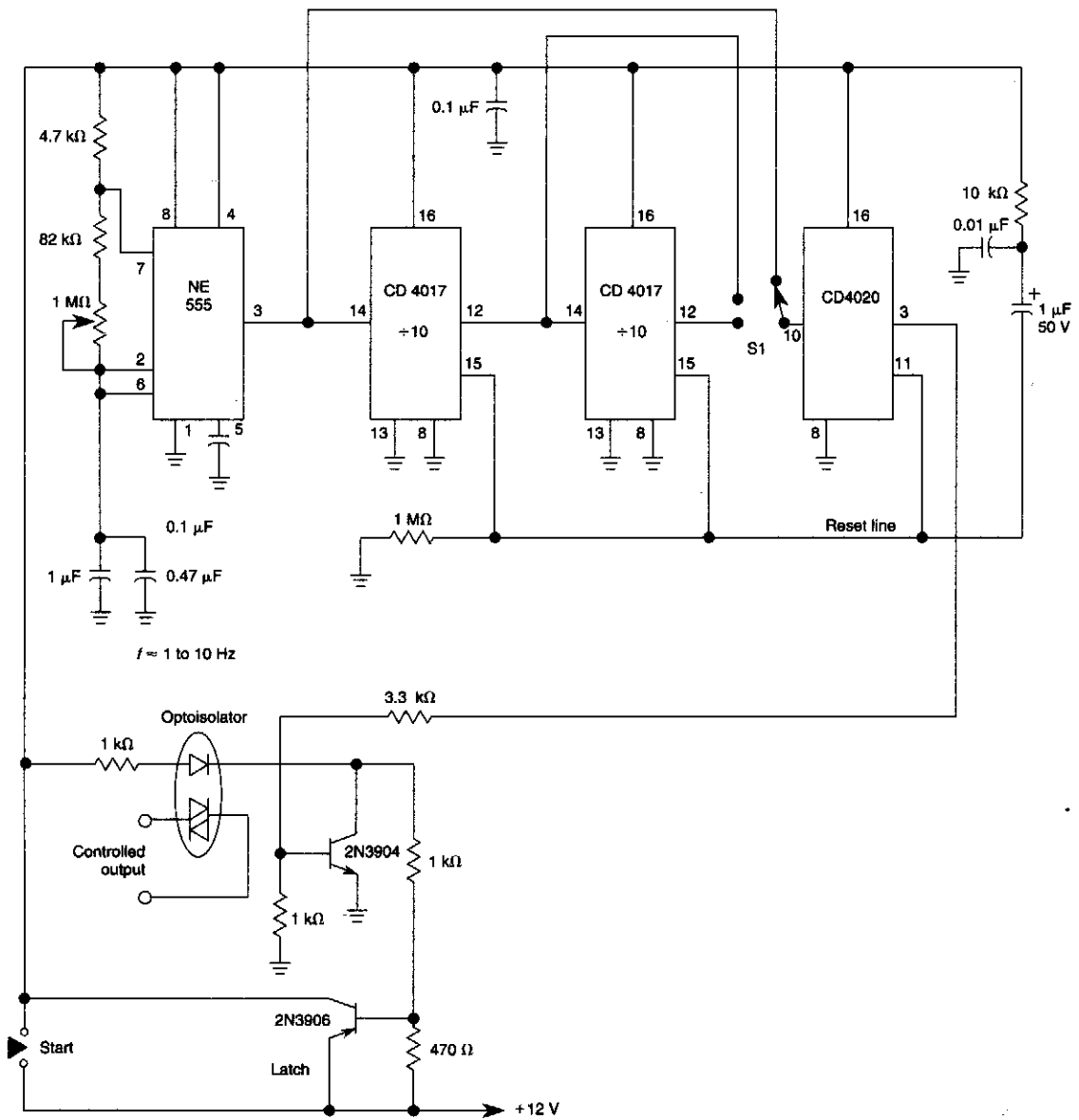


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FIG. 102-3

By using three 555 ICs, three sequential pulses can be generated. Output 3 can be connected back to trigger input to achieve astable operation.

## WIDE-RANGE TIMER—1MINUTE TO 400 HRS



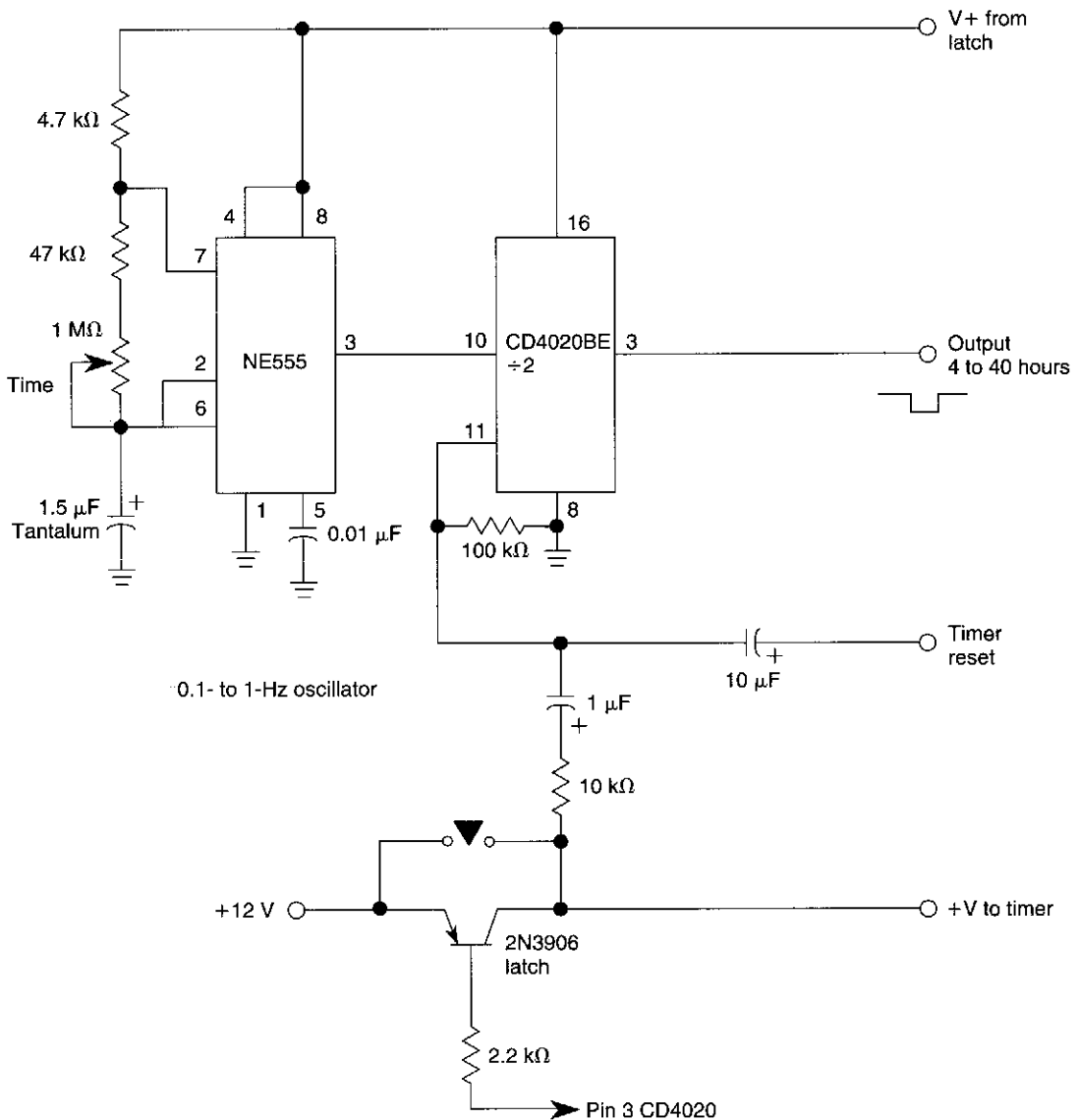
WILLIAM SHEETS

FIG. 102-6

This ultra wide range timer uses a 555 timer base, two 4017Bs and a 4020B that act as frequency dividers that can be switched in and out. S1 is a SP3T range switch.



## LONG-DELAY-PERIOD TIMER

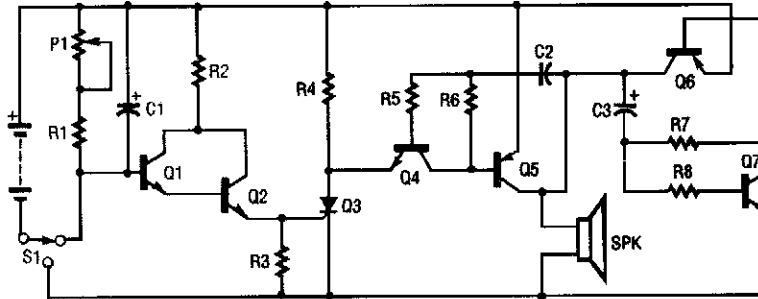


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FIG. 102-7

This method of obtaining a 4 to 40 hour timing period from a 555 IC can be further expanded to produce even longer delays with equal accuracy.

## COUNT-DOWN TIMER



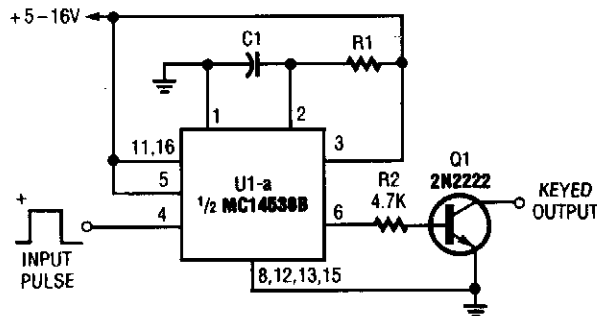
**FIG. 102-8**

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|                |                                     |      |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|------|-------------------------|
| C1             | 100- $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor | R3   | 33-k $\Omega$ Resistor  |
| C2             | 0.0047- $\mu$ F Mylar Capacitor     | R4   | 200 $\Omega$ Resistor   |
| C3             | 1- $\mu$ F Electrolytic Capacitor   | R5   | 2.2-k $\Omega$ Resistor |
| P1             | 2-M $\Omega$ Trimmer Resistor       | R6   | 220-k $\Omega$ Resistor |
| Q1, Q2, Q4, Q7 | 2N3904 Transistor                   | R7   | 2.2-M $\Omega$ Resistor |
| Q3             | 106 SCR                             | R8   | 7.5-k $\Omega$ Resistor |
| Q5, Q6         | 2N3906 Transistor                   | S1   | SPDT Slide Switch       |
| R1             | 1-M $\Omega$ Resistor               | SPK  | Small Speaker           |
| R2             | 10-k $\Omega$ Resistor              | Misc | PC Board, 9-V Snap Wire |

With switch S1 in the off position, as shown, battery voltage is applied across timing-capacitor C1, which stays charged while the rest of the circuitry has no power supplied to it. Transistor Q1, and thus transistors Q2 through Q4, are kept in an off condition as long as C1 has a sufficient charge.

## EXTENDED ON-TIME TIMER



**FIG. 102-9**

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Half of a Motorola MC14538B dual, precision, retriggerable monostable multivibrator is used to form an extended on-time timer circuit. That type of circuit can be used as a switch debouncer. Such circuits are often used in digital circuitry, where each and every bounce of a switch contact is seen as a separate digital input.

The delay on time (established by C1 and R1) is easily set using the formula,  $C_1 \times R_1 = T$ , where C<sub>1</sub> is in microfarads, R<sub>1</sub> is in megohms, and T is in seconds.

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## Tone Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Repeater-Tone Burst Generator  
Two-Tone Encoder

## REPEATER-TONE BURST GENERATOR

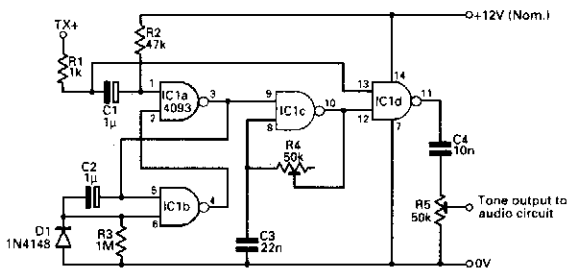


Fig. 1: The circuit, based on a single c.m.o.s chip and a few other components.

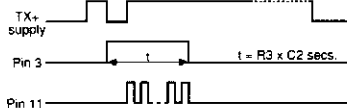


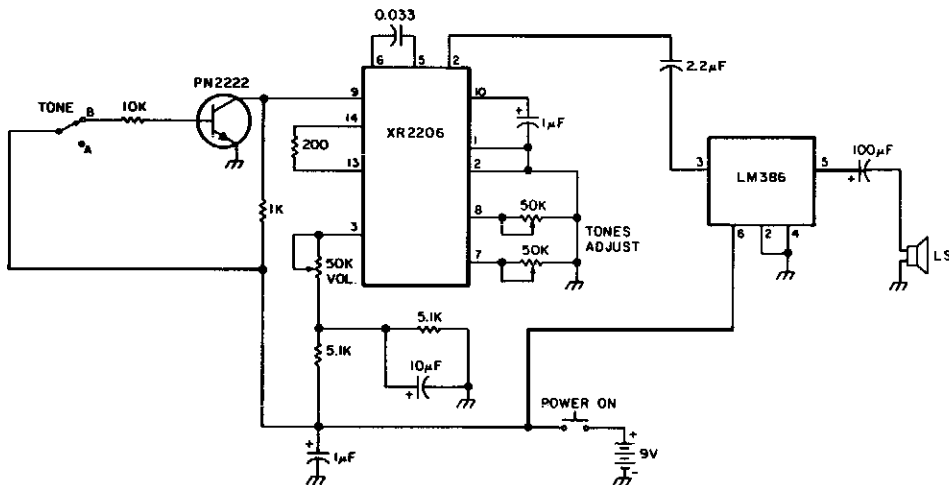
Fig. 2: Pulse and timing diagram, see the text for more details.

### PRACTICAL WIRELESS

FIG. 103-1

Integrated circuit gates IC1-a and IC1-b form a monostable, whose time constant is determined by  $C_2$  and  $R_3$ . When the transmitter is dekeyed (and then almost immediately rekeyed) point TX+ goes low and takes pin 1 low for a short time. This triggers the start of the timing period controlled by  $C_2/R_3$ . The capacitor  $C_2$ , charges via  $R_3$  until the trigger point of gate IC1-b is reached. At this point, the monostable changes state and pin 3 goes low again. On the prototype, this time was about 700 ms. The pulse occurs each time after dekeying and it is normally inaudible. If, however, point TX+ goes high again (as in immediate rekeying) the monostable is still in the enabled state and the oscillations of IC1-c are present in the transmission. During this time period, the buffer gate, IC1-d, is enabled and the tone is therefore passed to the output.

## TWO-TONE ENCODER



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FIG. 103-2

Using an XR2206 oscillator, this circuit can generate two audio tones. Switching between tones can be done with a logic level to either the base of the PN2222 or pin 9 of the XR2206.

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## Tone-Control Circuits

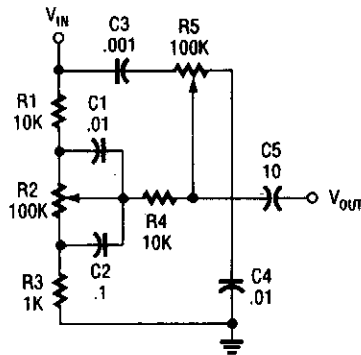
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Combined Bass and Treble Controls  
Treble Tone Control  
Bass Tone Control

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## COMBINED BASS AND TREBLE CONTROLS



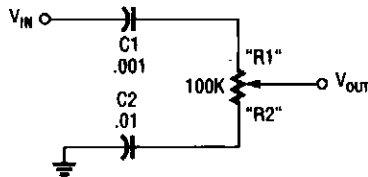
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FIG. 104-1

Bass and treble circuits can be combined to form a two-control tone-adjust circuit, as shown here.

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## TREBLE TONE CONTROL



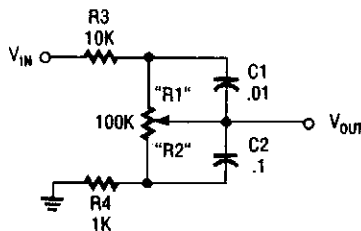
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FIG. 104-2

The treble control has capacitors placed in series with the potentiometer.

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## BASS TONE CONTROL



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FIG. 104-3

The frequency dependence of the capacitor's impedance permits this circuit to boost the bass frequencies.

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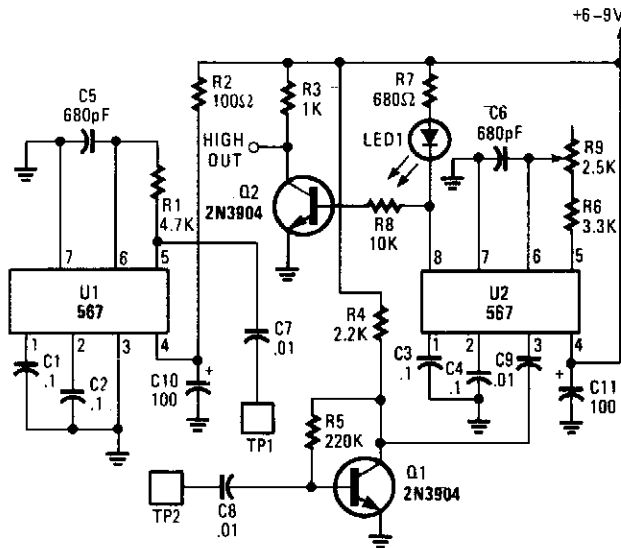
## Touch-Control Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Bridging Touch Plate Sensor  
Touch Switch I  
Touch Switch II  
Touch On-Only Switch  
Latching Touch Switch  
Single Plate Touch Sensor

## BRIDGING TOUCH PLATE SENSOR

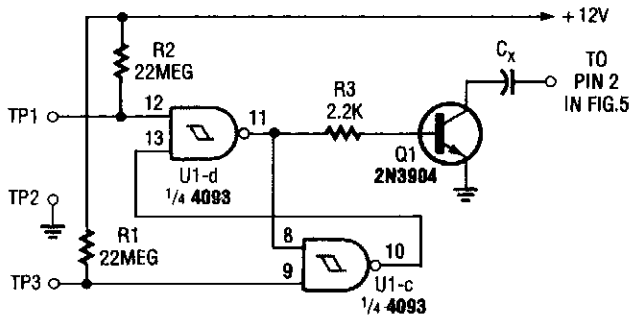


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FIG. 105-1

In this circuit, two 567 tone decoders are used. One is an oscillator, the other is a detector. Bridging TP1 and TP2 causes U2 to receive U1's signal, which causes pin 8 of U2 to go low. This action lights LED1 and drives the output of Q2 high.

## TOUCH SWITCH I



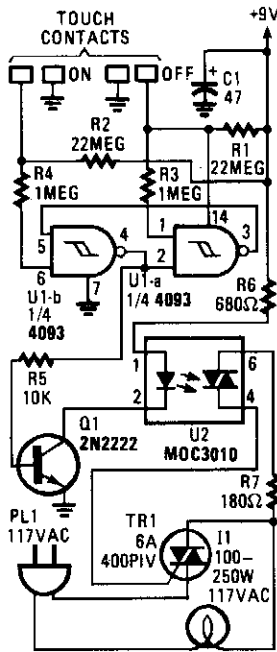
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 105-2

Two NAND Schmitt triggers are connected in a flip-flop configuration to produce a bridged touch-activated switch.



## TOUCH SWITCH II



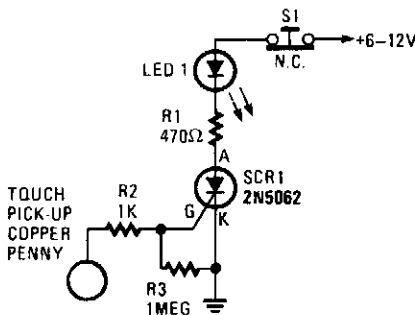
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 105-3

When the touch-on contacts are bridged, pin 6 of U1-b goes low, which forces its output (the set output) at pin 4 to go high. That high divides along two paths: in one path, the output is applied to pin 2 of U1-a, which causes its output at pin 3 to go low. That low is, in turn, applied to pin 5 of U1-b, which latches the gate in a high output state. In the other path, the output of U1-b is used to drive Q1. When Q1 turns on, U2's internal LED lights, which turns on its internal, light-sensitive, triac-driver (diac) output element. The triac driver feeds gate current to TR1, causing it to turn on, and light the lamp (L1).

When the off contact is bridged, U1-a's output switches and latches high, causing U1-b's output to go low, turning off the lamp.

## TOUCH ON-ONLY SWITCH

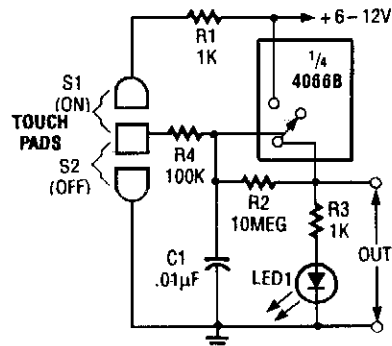


HANDS-ON ELECTRONICS

FIG. 105-4

This touch on-only switch can be triggered into conduction by electrical means, and can only be reset by way of a mechanical switch. When the touch terminal is contacted by a finger, the SCR turns on and illuminates LED1.

## LATCHING TOUCH SWITCH USING CD4066B



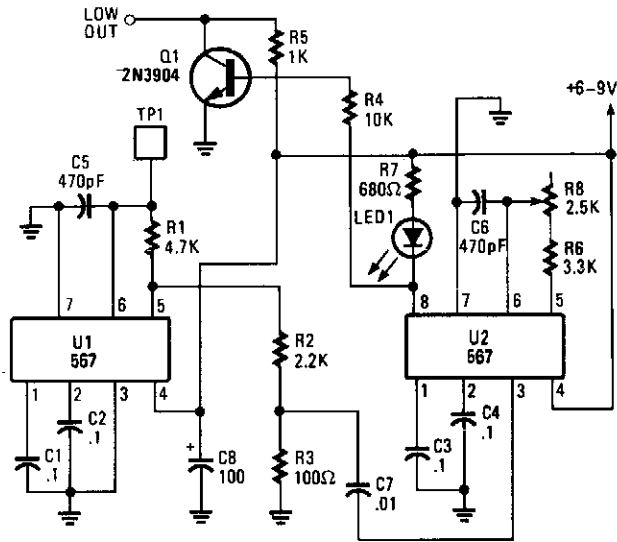
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FIG. 105-5

When touch switch S1 is activated, R4 is driven high, and the control voltage goes high, which latches the switch. When S2 is activated, R4 goes low and the control voltage goes low, which deactivates the switch.

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## SINGLE-PLATE TOUCH SENSOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 105-6

This system operates on the principle that capacitance loading of an oscillator will lower its frequency. When a foreign body comes into contact with touch plate, the frequency of U1 is lowered. This removes the oscillator signal from U1 from U2's passband, which causes U2 to lose lock, turns off the LED, and causes the collector of Q1 to go low.

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## Transmitter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

27.125-MHz NBFM Transmitter

10-M DSB QRP Transmitter with VFO

ATV JR Transmitter 440 MHz

6-W Economy Morse-Code Transmitter for 7 MHz

Simple FM Transmitter

Vacuum-Tube Low-Power 80/40-Meter Transmitter

Tracking Transmitter

49-MHz FM Transmitter

QRP Transceiver for 18, 21, and 24 MHz

1750-Meter Transverter

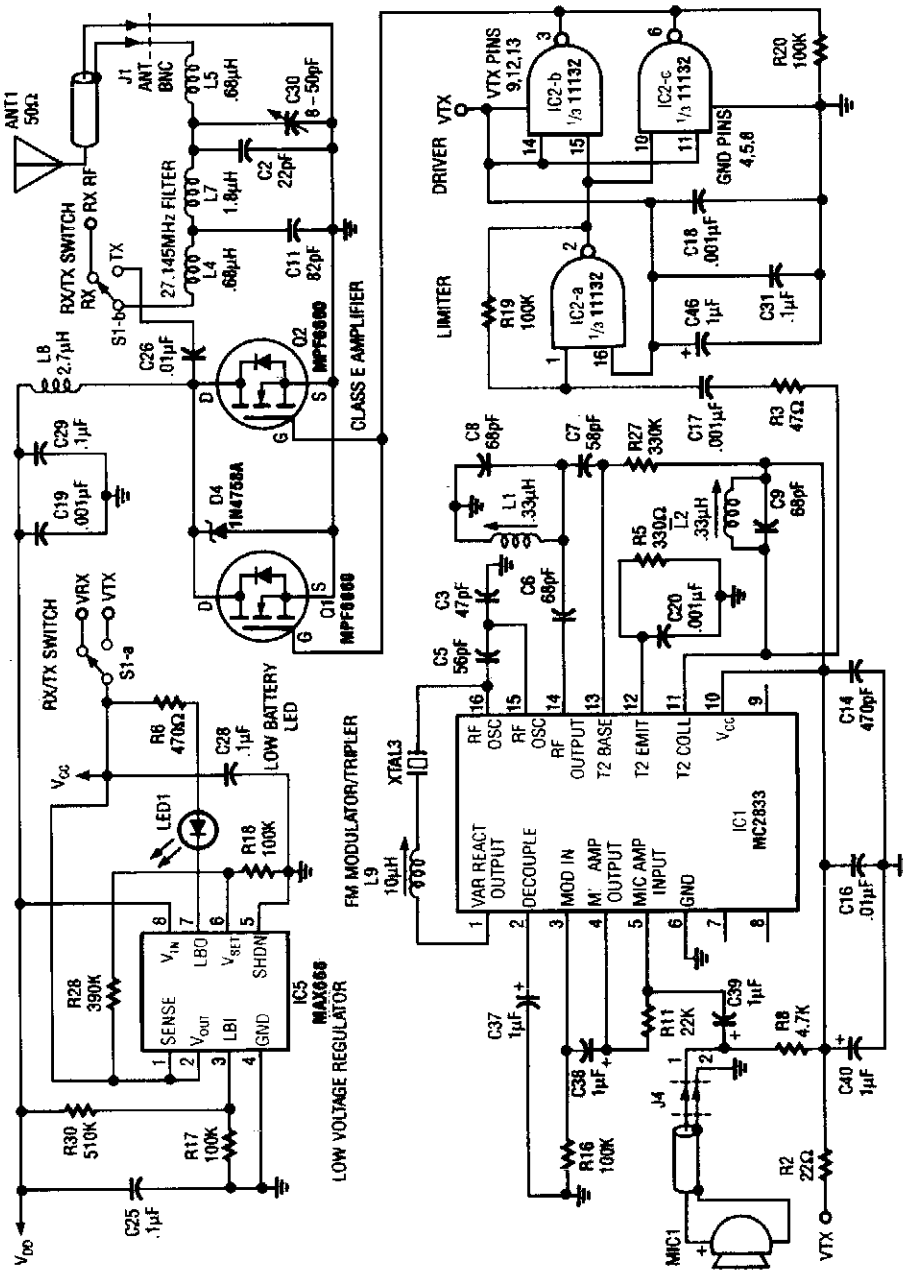
10-Meter DSB Transmitter

Low-Power 40-Meter CW Transmitter

FM Radio Transmitter

Low-Power 20-Meter CW Transmitter

## 27.125-MHz NB-FM TRANSMITTER

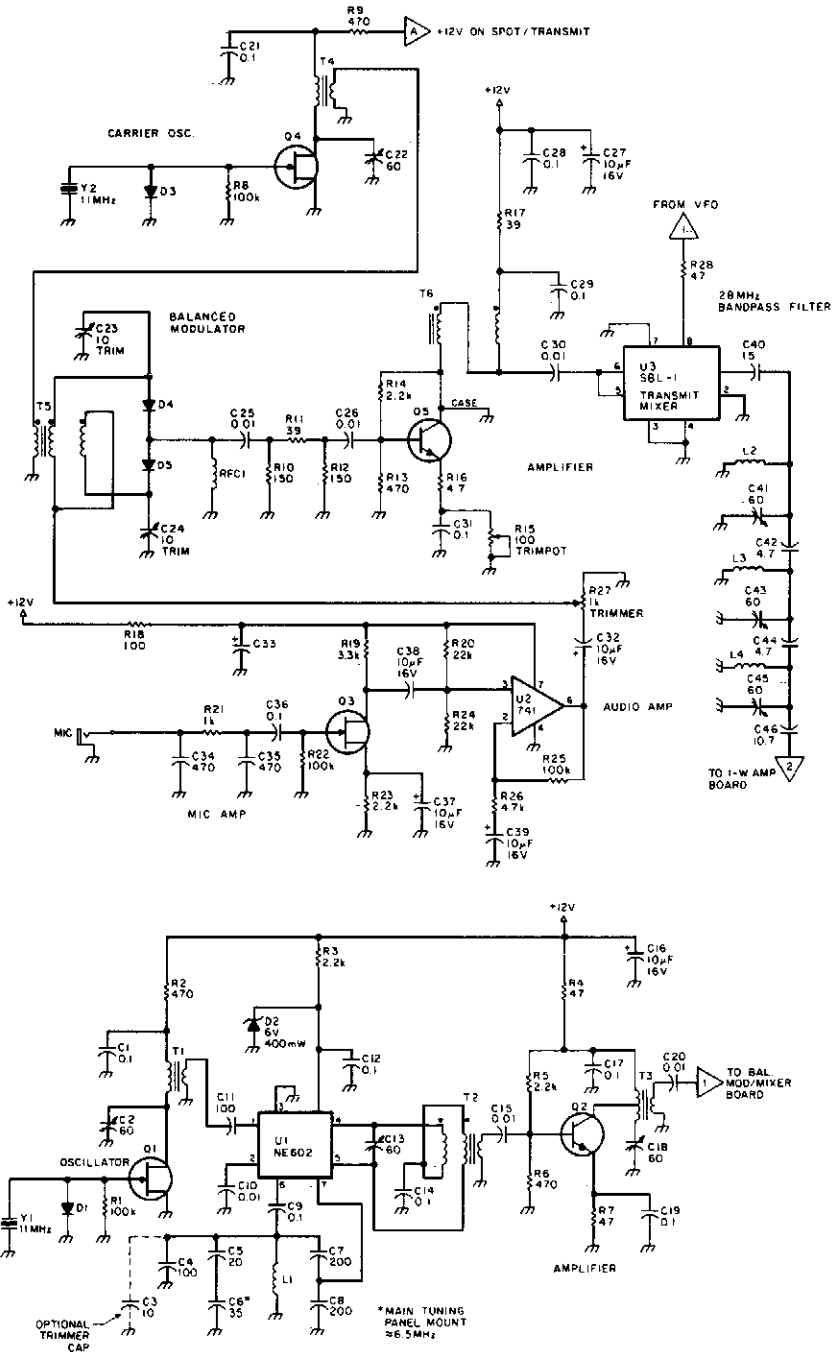


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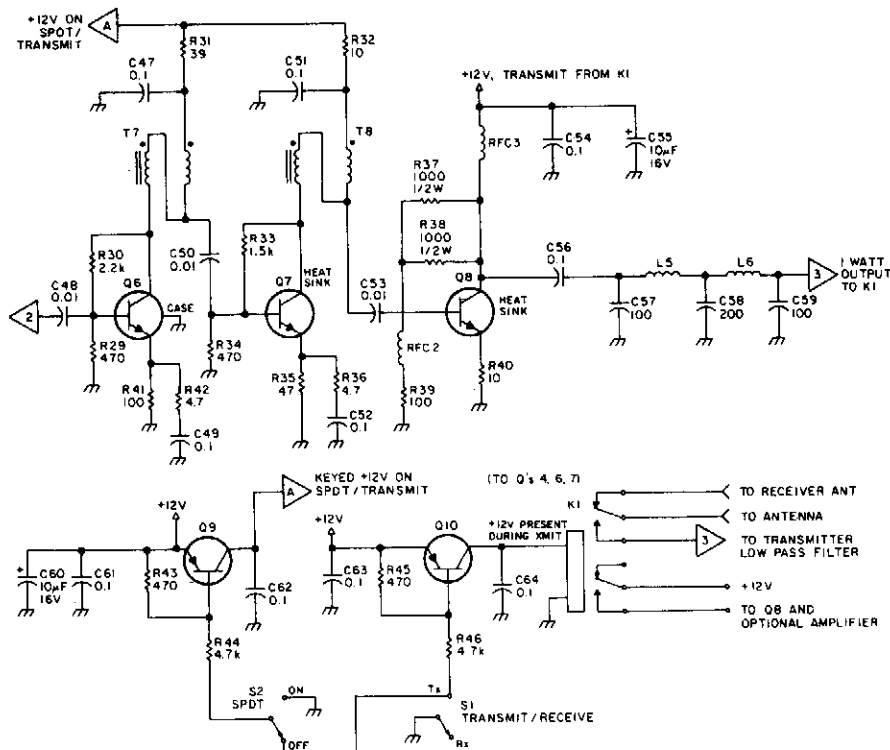
FIG. 106-1

Using a Motorola MC2833 one-chip FM transmitter, a few support components, and an MPF6660 FET RF amp, this transmitter delivers about 3 W into a 50- $\Omega$  load. It is capable of operation over about 29 to 32 MHz with the components shown.

# 10-M DSB QRP TRANSMITTER WITH VFO

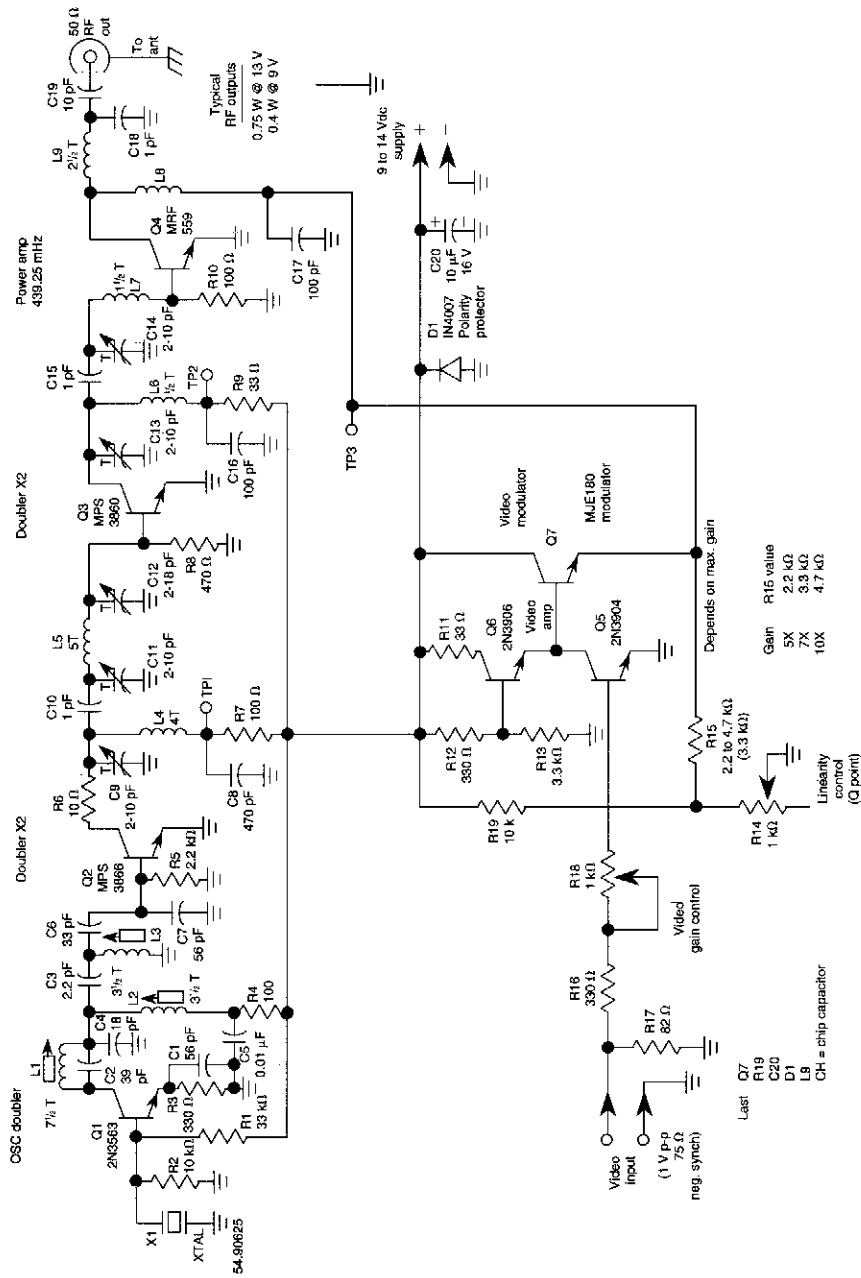


## 10-M DSB QRP TRANSMITTER WITH VFO (Cont.)



The three schematics represent three building blocks for a 10-meter SSB transmitter. Or these blocks can be used separately as circuit modules for other transmitters. The VFO board uses an FET transmittal oscillator, the VFO signal is mixed in an NE602 mixer and is amplified by Q2 to a level sufficient to drive an SBL-1 mixer in the transmit mixer stage (+7 to +10 dBm). In the balance mixer/modulator board, an 11-MHz crystal oscillator drives a diode balanced mixer. Audio for modulation purposes is also fed to this mixer. The DSB signal feeds a 28-MHz BPF. The 1-W amplifier board consists of a 3-stage amplifier and transmit/receive switching circuitry.

# ATV JR TRANSMITTER 440 MHz

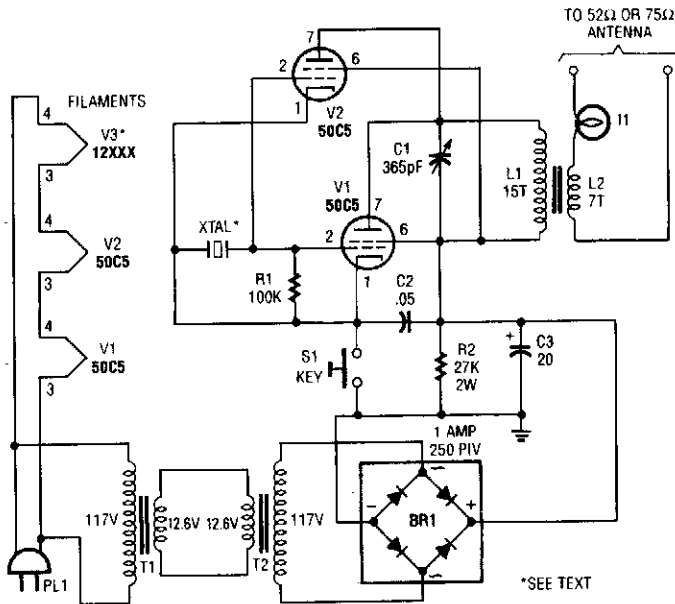


**WILLIAM SHEETS**

**FIG. 106-3**

This low-power video transmitter is useful for R/C applications, surveillance, or amateur radio applications. Seven transistors are used in a crystal oscillator-multiplier RF power amplifier chain, and a high-level video modulator. A 9- to 14-Vdc supply is required. Output is 0.4 to 1.2 W, depending on supply voltage. A complete kit of parts is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-00530

## 6-W ECONOMY MORSE-CODE TRANSMITTER FOR 7 MHz

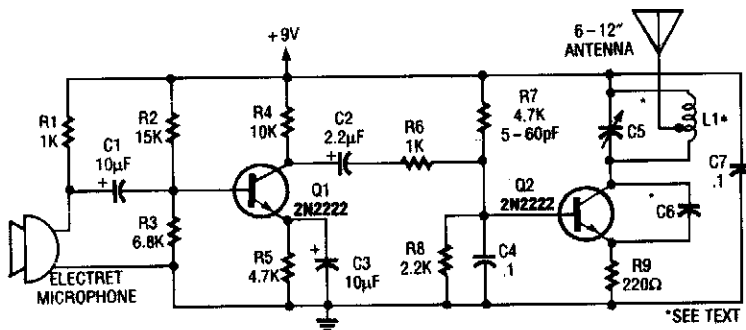


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

FIG. 106-4

The vacuum tube is still alive and useful in some applications, as in this CW transmitter. The circuit was built in old-fashioned breadboard style on a wooden base. Old table radios are a good source of parts for this circuit. V3 is used as a ballast resistor—a 75- $\Omega$  or 100- $\Omega$  5-W resistor could be substituted. L1 is 15 turns of hookup wire on a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " form 2" long. L2 is 7 turns of the same wire. L2 is wound over L1. Be careful as up to 160 V is present on V1 and V2.

## SIMPLE FM TRANSMITTER



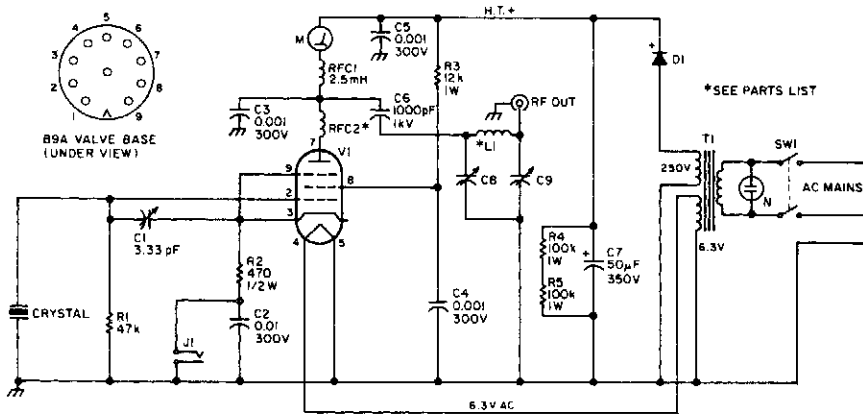
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 106-5

Running from a 9-V battery, this transmitter can be used as a wireless microphone with an ordinary 88- to 108-MHz FM broadcast receiver. Keep the antenna length under 12 inches to comply with FCC limits. L1 is 6 turns of #24 wire wound around a pencil or a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " form, with turns spaced 1 wire diameter. C6 is a gimmick capacitor of about 1 pF.



## VACUUM-TUBE LOW-POWER 80/40-METER TRANSMITTER

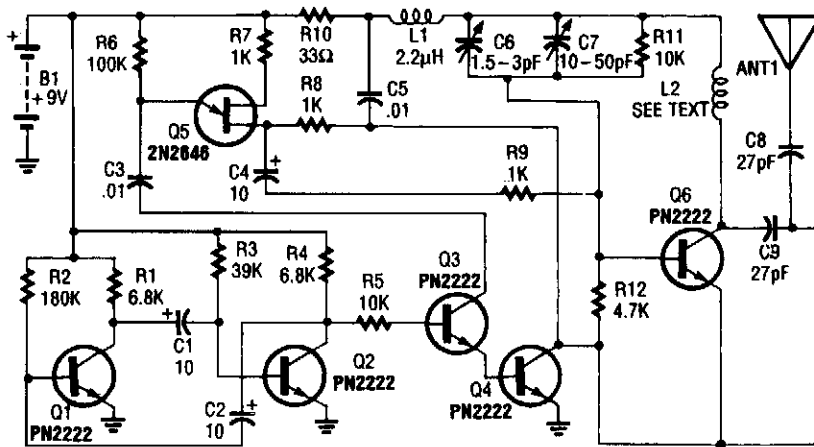


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FIG. 106-6

Using a 6BW6 vacuum tube, the above transmitter delivers about 5 W output. C1 is adjusted for cleanest CW note. C8 and C9 are 365 pF and dual-365 pF (paralleled) tuning capacitors. L1 is 35 turns of #24 enamelled wire on a 1" plastic tube. FT-243 crystals for 3.5 or 7 MHz are used. Do not use this circuit to produce a 7-MHz output from a 3.5-MHz crystal—it is not intended to “double over” crystal frequencies.

## TRACKING TRANSMITTER

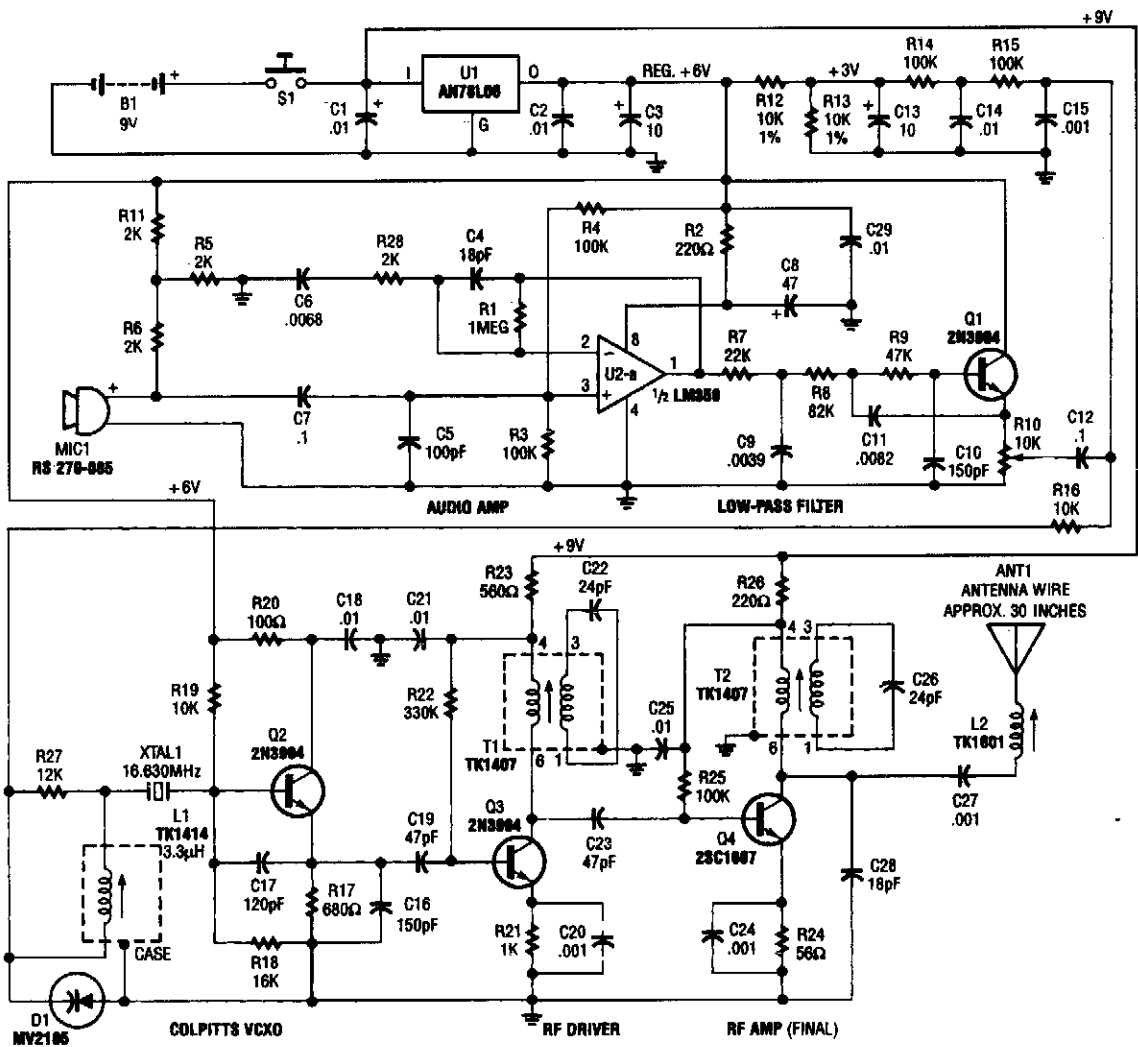


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FIG. 106-7

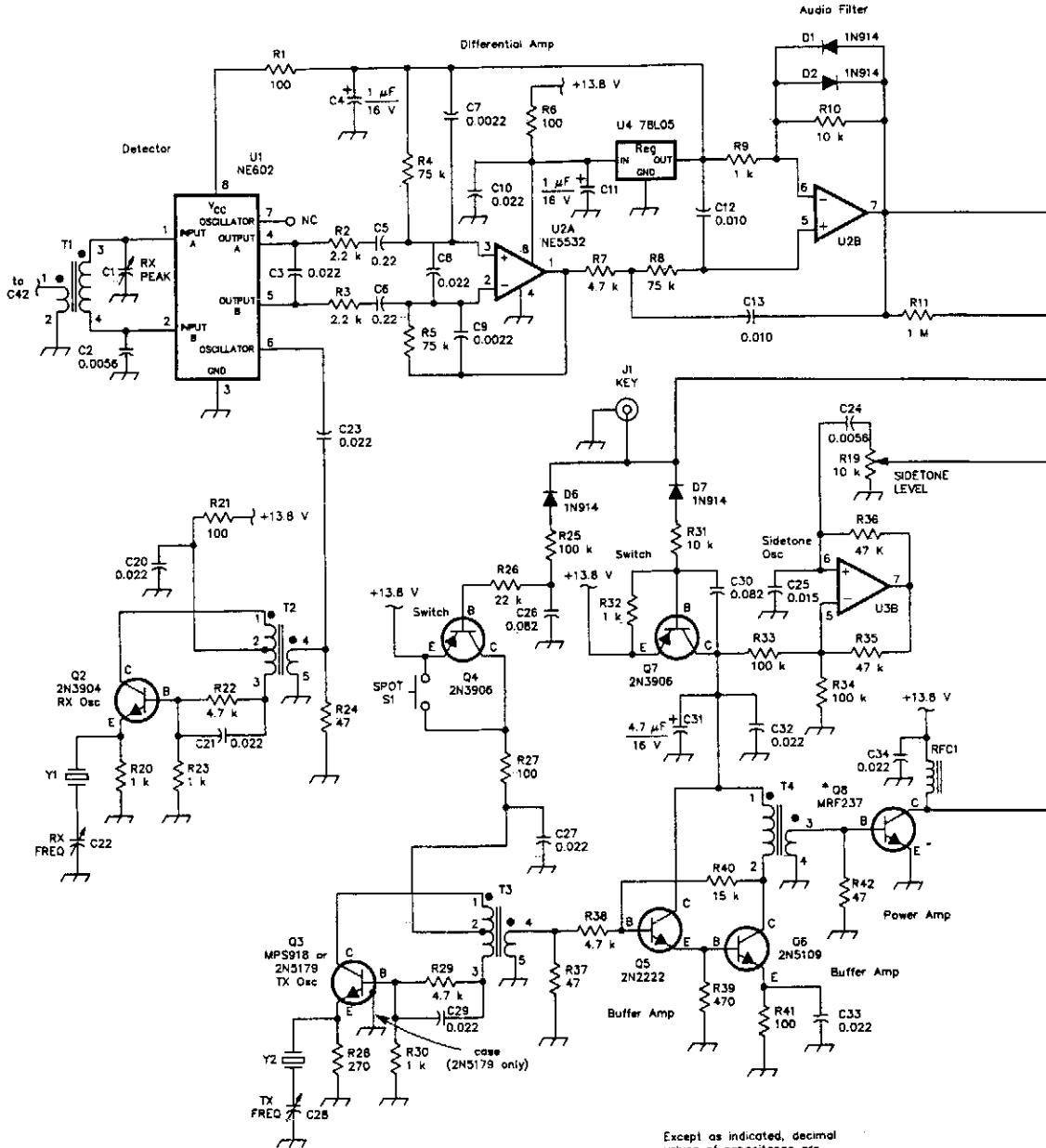
This tracking transmitter consists of four distinct subassemblies; a free-running multivibrator, a transmit switch, an audio-tone generator, and an FM transmitter. The multivibrator (which produces a pulse width with a pulse separation of 1500 ms) is built around Q1 and Q2. The multivibrator output is coupled through R5 to the base of Q3, whose emitter feeds Q4, which controls the circuit's transmitter section.

## 49-MHz FM TRANSMITTER



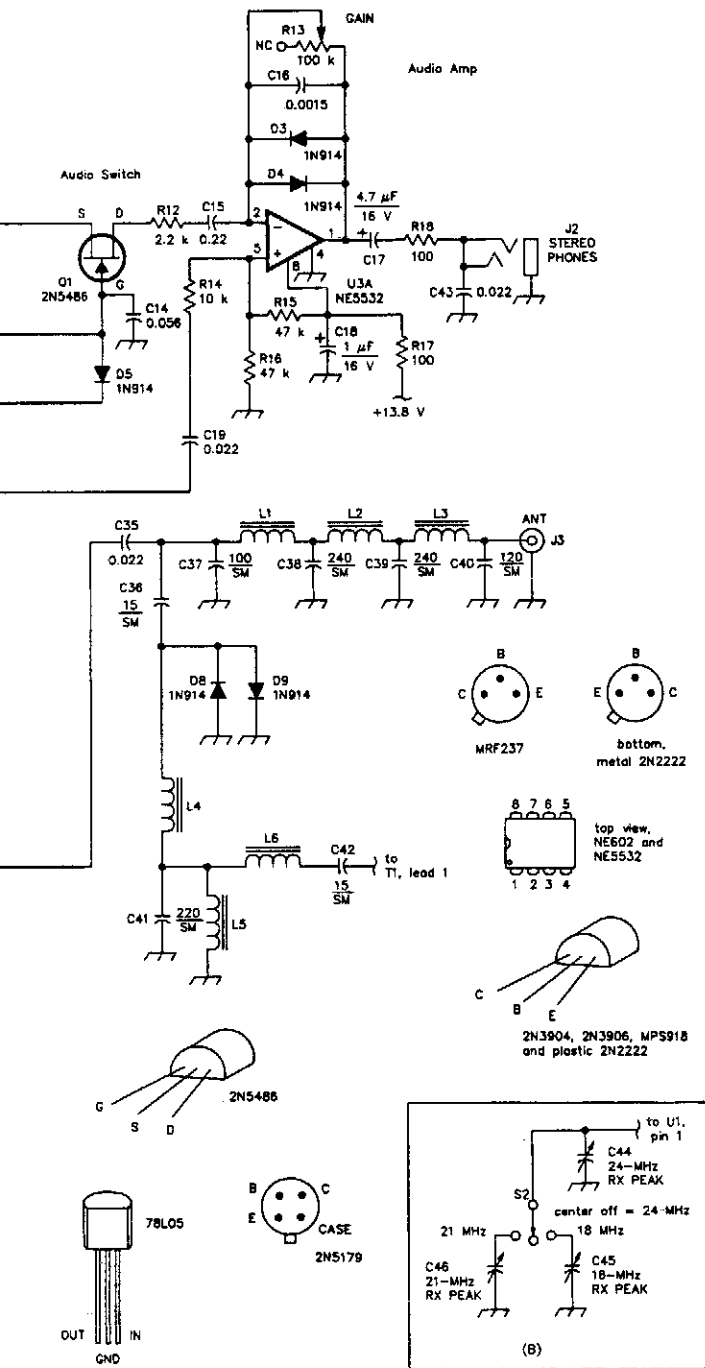
This 49-MHz FM transmitter consists of an audio amplifier, a low-pass filter, three RF stages, and a regulated-dc power supply. The output is about 16 mW into a 50-Ω load. This transmitter can be used in many 49-MHz applications, such as in a baby monitor, cordless telephone, or in conjunction with a scanner as a one-way voice link.

# QRP TRANSCEIVER FOR 18, 21, AND 24 MHz



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms; k=1,000, M=1,000,000

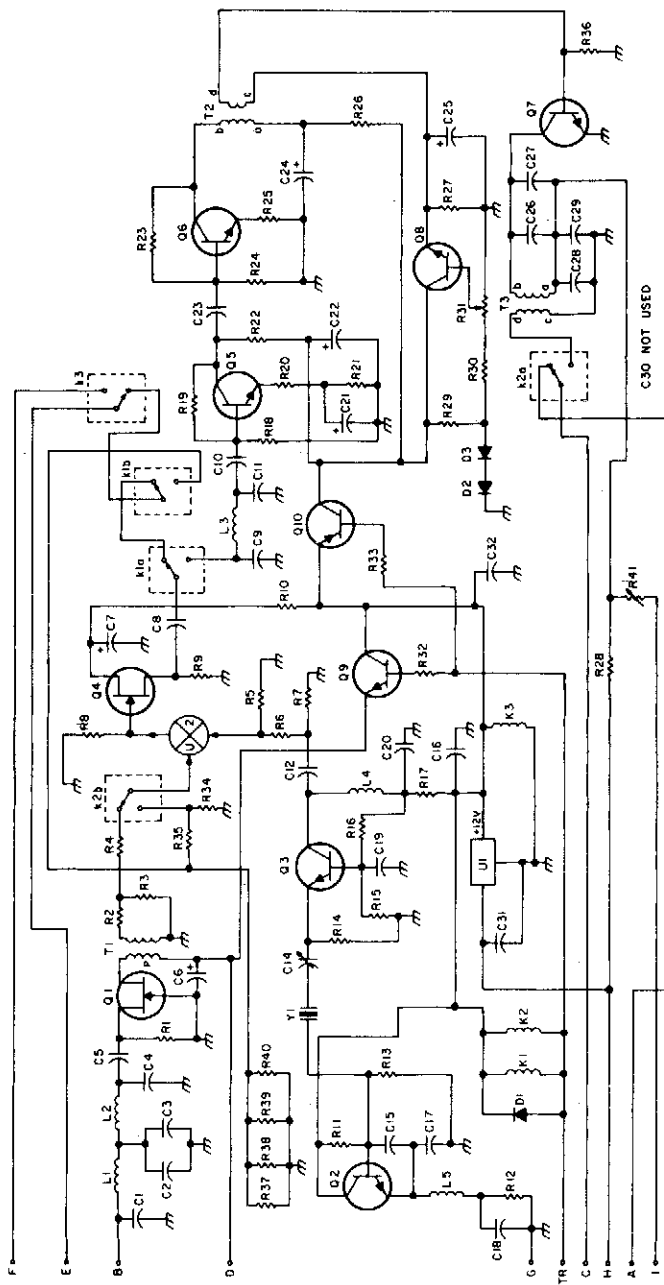
\*Heat sink required; see text  
 ● = phasing  
 SM = silver mica



This CW transceiver has 1.25 to 4 W RF output, a direct-conversion receiver, full break-in, and SW sidetone generation. The power supply is 13.8 V, which makes this transceiver suitable for mobile or portable operation.

FIG. 106-9

1750-METER TRANSVERTER

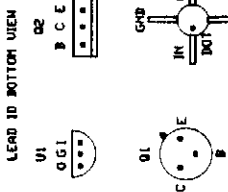
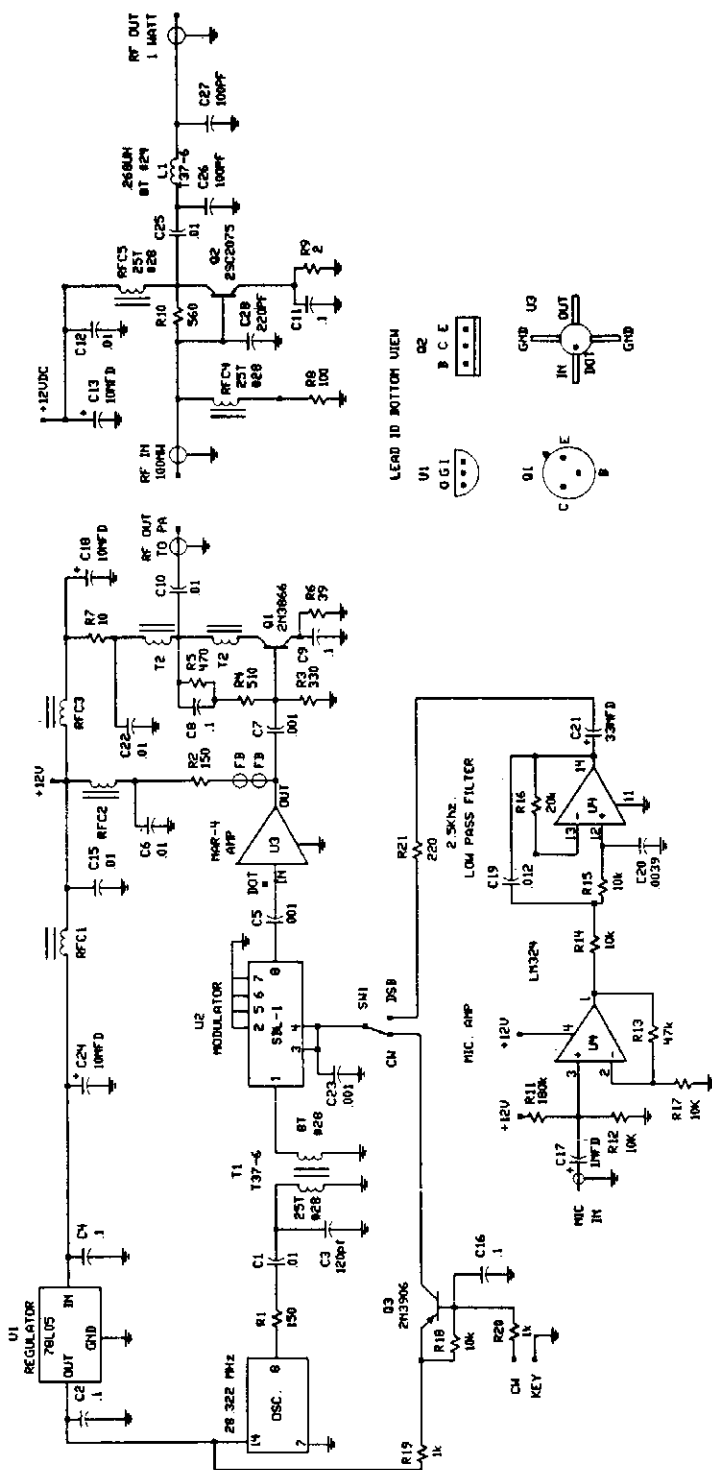


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FIG. 106-10

This circuit was described in a recent edition of an amateur radio magazine. It allows operation in the 160- to 190-kHz band with up to 1 W (license free) in any mode (CW/SSB/FM, etc.). It consists of a receiving converter for 5 kHz to 450 kHz and a transmitting converter to convert the 3.66- to 3.69-MHz (80 meter) range to 160 to 190 kHz. A 12- to 24-V power supply can be used.

# 10-METER DSB TRANSMITTER

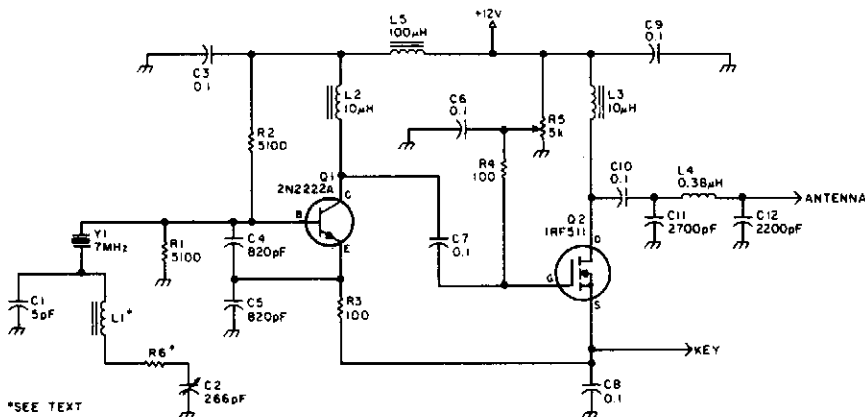


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FIG. 106-11

A DSB transmitter is much cheaper to build than an SSB transmitter because no filter or phasing networks are required. This circuit produces up to 1-W output on the 10-meter band. The frequency 28.322 MHz is used, which is a commonly available clock frequency crystal. CW operation is also provided. A doubly balanced mixer assembly is used as a modulator and CW keyer.

## LOW-POWER 40-METER CW TRANSMITTER

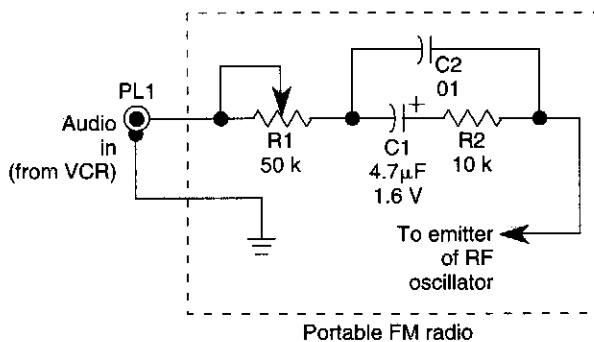


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FIG. 106-12

This CW transmitter has an output of up to 3 W. By using 24 V on Q2, up to 10 W output can be obtained. If a 24-V supply is used, Q1 must not see more than 12 V. Connect 12 V between junctions C3, R2 and L2, and remove L5. L1 should be a low-Q 18- to 20- $\mu$ H inductor. R6 can be used (up to 47  $\Omega$ ) to reduce the Q further.

## FM RADIO TRANSMITTER

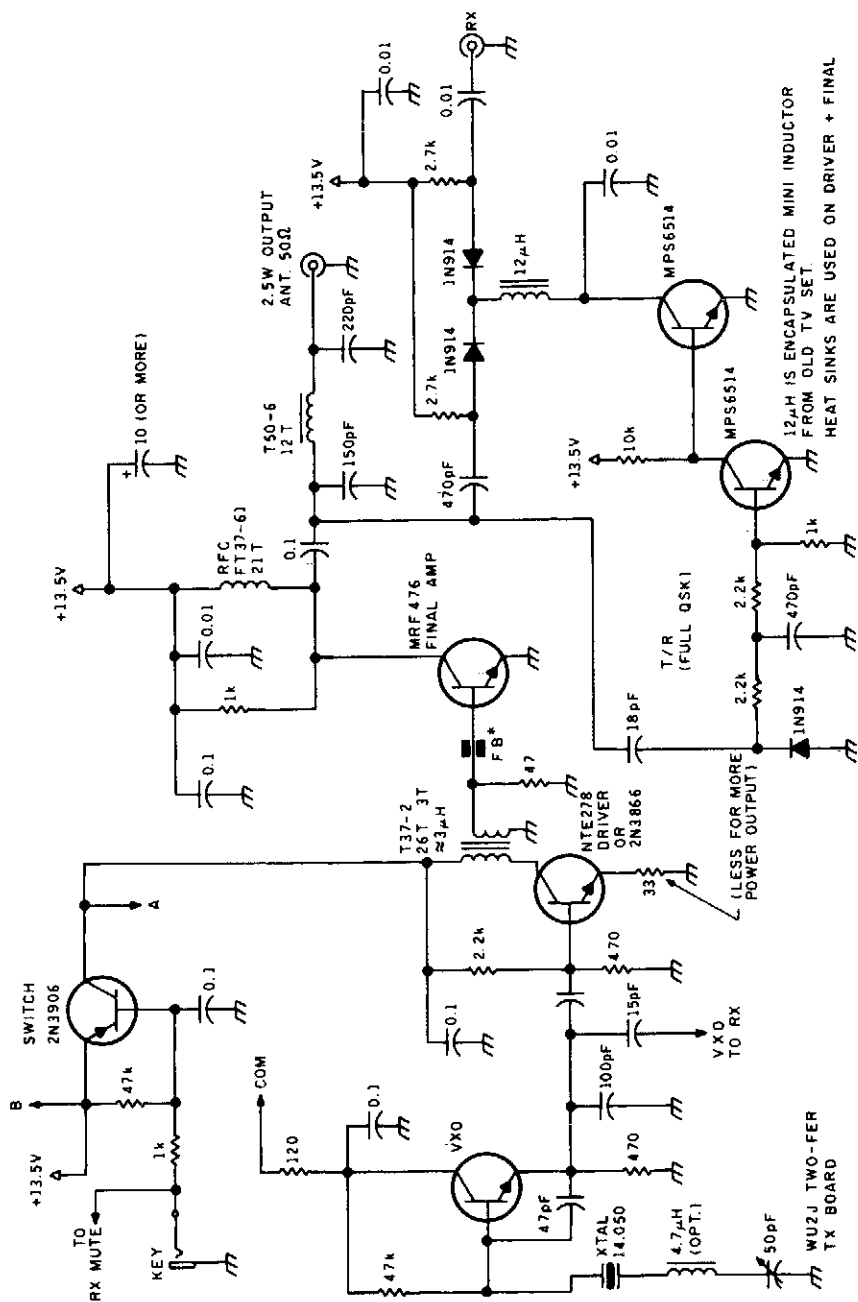


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FIG. 106-13

An FM radio generates an interference signal that can be picked up on another FM radio tuned 10.7 MHz above the first one. The 50-k $\Omega$  potentiometer adjusts the modulation level to maximum without distortion. The RC network improves the fidelity of the transmitted signal and provides dc isolation. The component values shown are provided as a starting point. They can vary somewhat for different radios. Note that if you can't get the signal at 10.7 MHz above the frequency setting of the first radio, try tuning at 10.7 MHz below. Also, note that both tuned frequencies must be unused. Otherwise, you will hear your audio on top of the audio that is already there. You might have to play with both frequencies until you find two blank spots that are 10.7 MHz apart.

## LOW-POWER 20-METER CW TRANSMITTER



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FIG. 106-14

The transmitter has a VFO circuit to drive an amplifier that is keyed. The keyed amplifier drives an MRF 476 final amplifier, which delivers about 2-W output. A solid-state T-R switch is included for the receiver. The parts values shown are for the 20-meter band.



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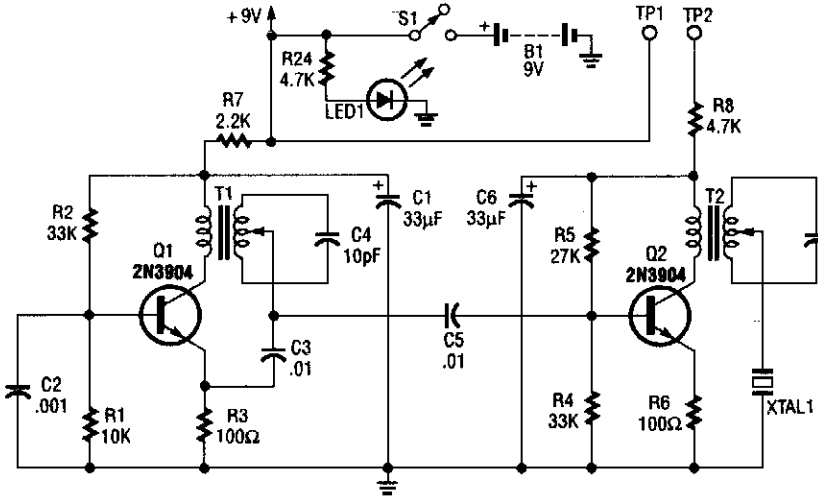
## Ultrasonic Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Doppler Ultrasound Transmitter  
Doppler Ultrasound Receiver  
Ultrasonic Cleaner

## DOPPLER ULTRASOUND TRANSMITTER

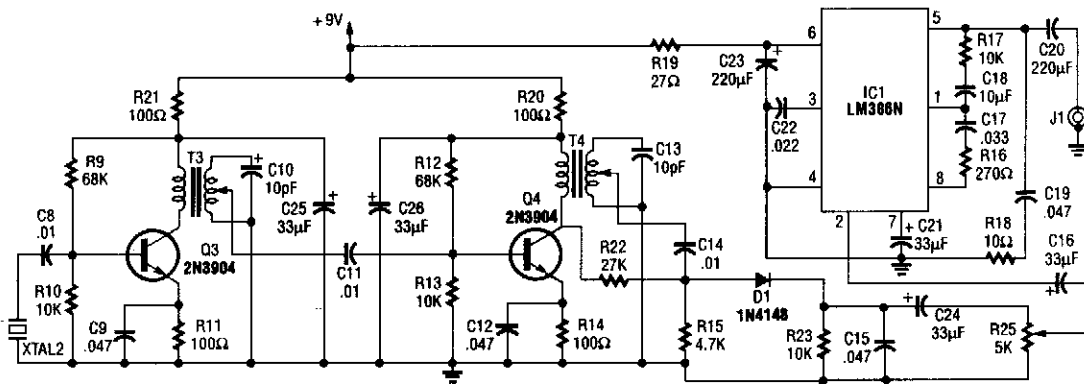


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FIG. 107-1

The 2.25-MHz oscillator Q1 drives amplifier Q2 and XTAL1, an ultrasonic transducer. The transducer is a lead zirconate-titanate type. Taps on T1 and T2 provide low-impedance drive points.

## DOPPLER ULTRASOUND RECEIVER



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FIG. 107-2

XTAL1 drives amplifier Q3/Q4, which is tuned to 2.25 MHz. The detected signal is fed to audio amplifier IC1. A 9-V supply is used. The circuit operates at 2.25 MHz and is designed to be used with an ultrasonic sound transmitter at this frequency.



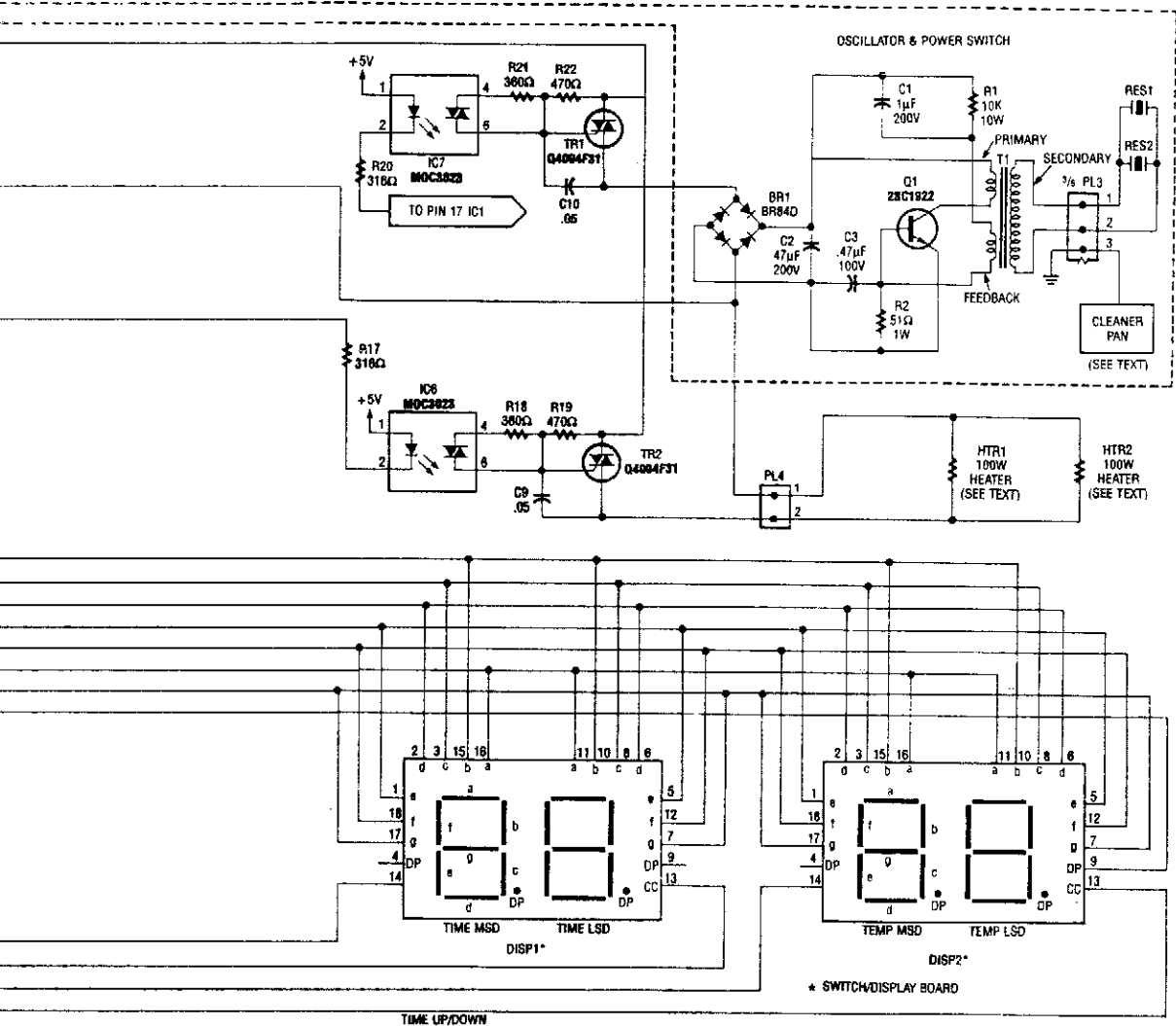


FIG. 107-3

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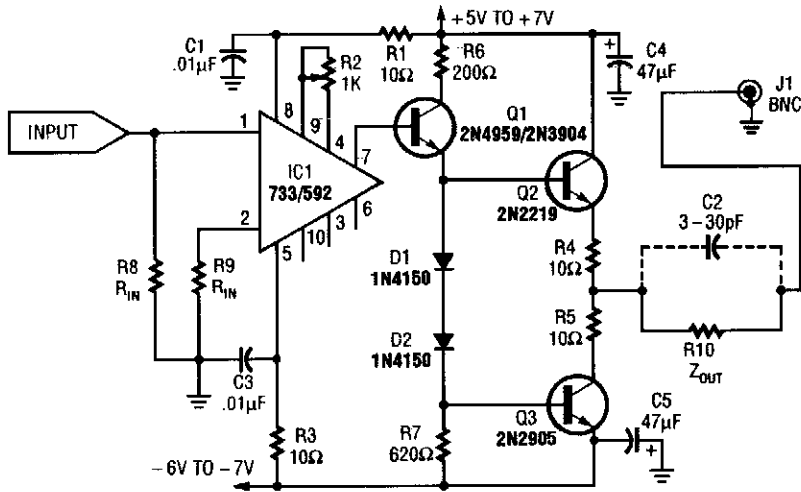
## Video Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

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| General-Purpose Output Amplifier  | Video dc-Restore Circuit                                   |
| 4.5-MHz Sound IF Amplifier  | Combination Sync Stripper and<br>Universal Video Interface |
| Simple Video Amplifier  | Video Selector   |
| ATV Video Sampler Circuit   | Video Preamp   |
| Multiple-Input Video Multiplex Cable Driver                             | Video Master   |
| Two-Input Video Multiplex Cable Driver                                  | Simple Video Line/Bar Generator                            |
| Differential Video Loop-Through Amplifier                               | Video Amplifier  |
| Video Fader   |  |
| Electronically Controlled Variable-Gain<br>Video Loop-Through Amplifier |  |

## GENERAL-PURPOSE OUTPUT AMPLIFIER

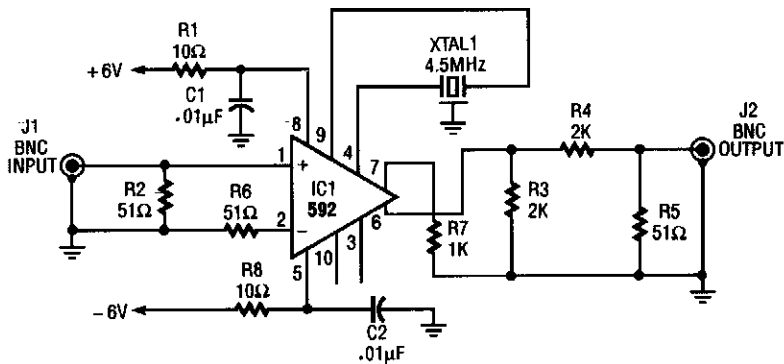


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

FIG. 108-1

This general-purpose amplifier has a bandwidth of approximately 20 MHz and it uses an LM733/NE592 video amp IC. This circuit can be used as a line driver or as a LAN line driver.

## 4.5-MHz SOUND IF AMPLIFIER

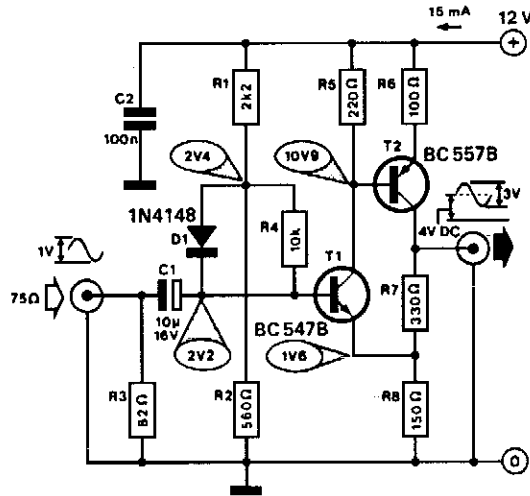


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FIG. 108-2

An NE592 is used as a 4.5-MHz amplifier sound subcarrier in video applications. XTAL1 is a 4.5-MHz crystal or ceramic resonator.

## SIMPLE VIDEO AMPLIFIER

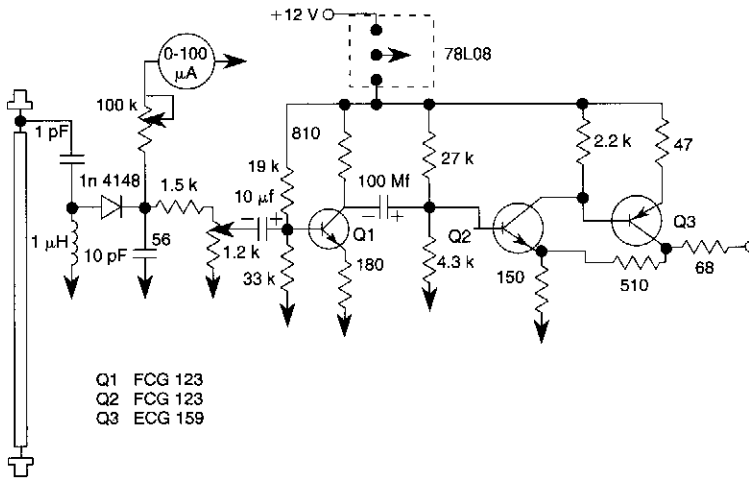


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**FIG. 108-3**

Useful for interfacing B/W TV sets with a camera or computer, this amplifier has a bandwidth of  $\geq 10$  MHz and a gain of 3X.

## ATV VIDEO SAMPLER CIRCUIT

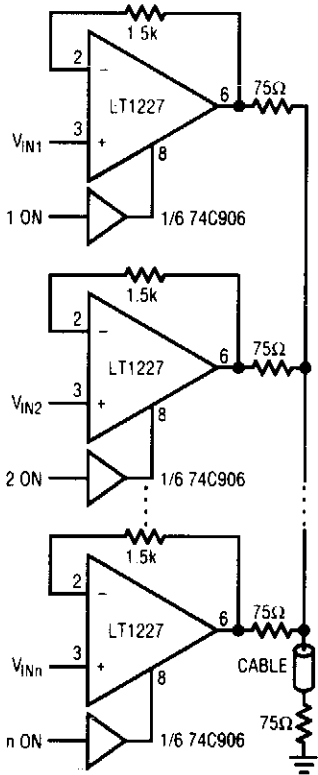


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**FIG. 108-4**

This unit picks up your ATV signal by sampling the transmission line with negligible insertion loss. It uses 2 "N" connectors for input and output connections. A BNC connector is used on the video output. The detected output is connected to your monitor and scope so that you can accurately adjust your transmitter for proper video and synch levels. Two different models are provided. Both have relative power output meters, but one has greater accuracy. There are two PC controls, one for video level and the other for power output.

### MULTIPLE-INPUT VIDEO MULTIPLEX CABLE DRIVER

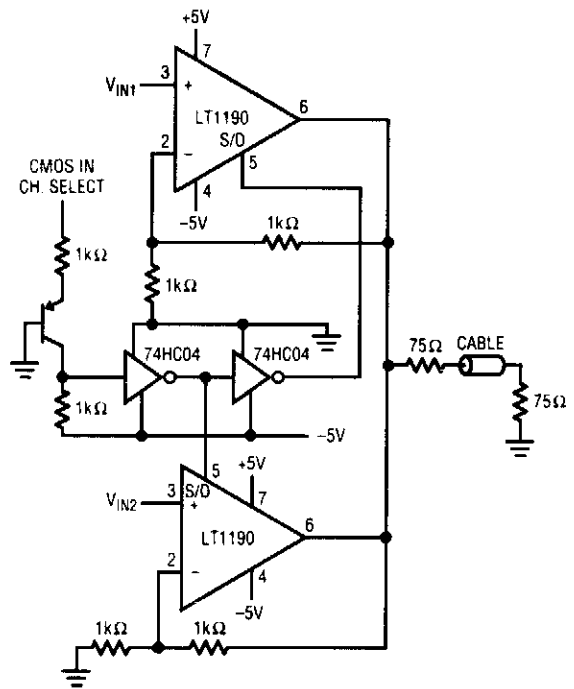


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FIG. 108-5

Using a Linear Technology LT1227, the multiplex video amp uses logic levels to turn on and off selected inputs.

### TWO-INPUT VIDEO MULTIPLEX CABLE DRIVER

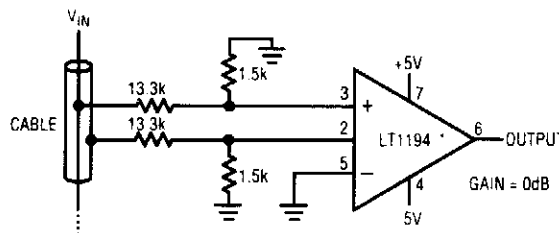


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FIG. 108-6

CMOS logic levels select one of two video inputs with this circuit. The op amps are Linear Technology LT1190s.

### DIFFERENTIAL VIDEO LOOP-THROUGH AMPLIFIER



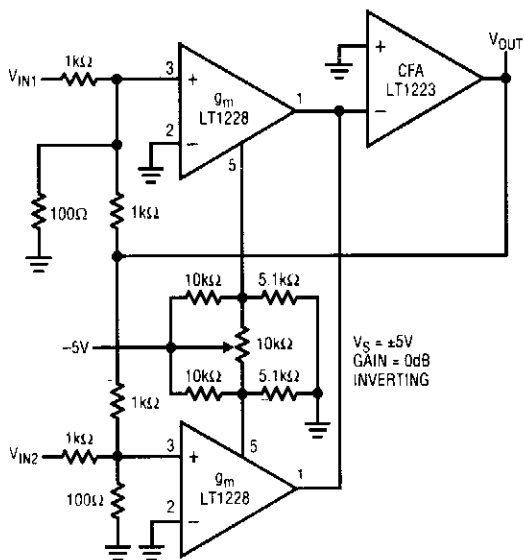
LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 108-7

An LT1194 is used as a differential amplifier for video applications, where low cable loading is needed.



## VIDEO FADER

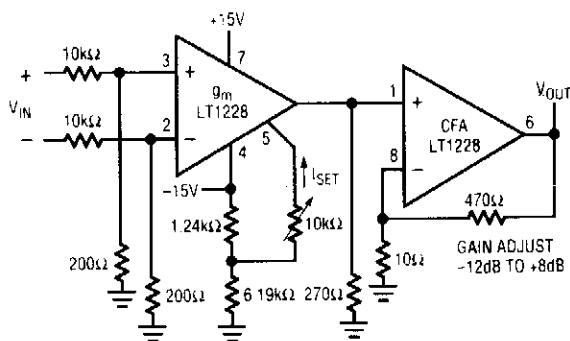


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 108-8

Using two LT1228 transconductance amplifiers in front of a current feedback amplifier forms a video fader. The ratio of the set currents into pin 5 determines the ratio of the inputs at the output.

## ELECTRONICALLY CONTROLLED VARIABLE-GAIN VIDEO LOOP-THROUGH AMPLIFIER



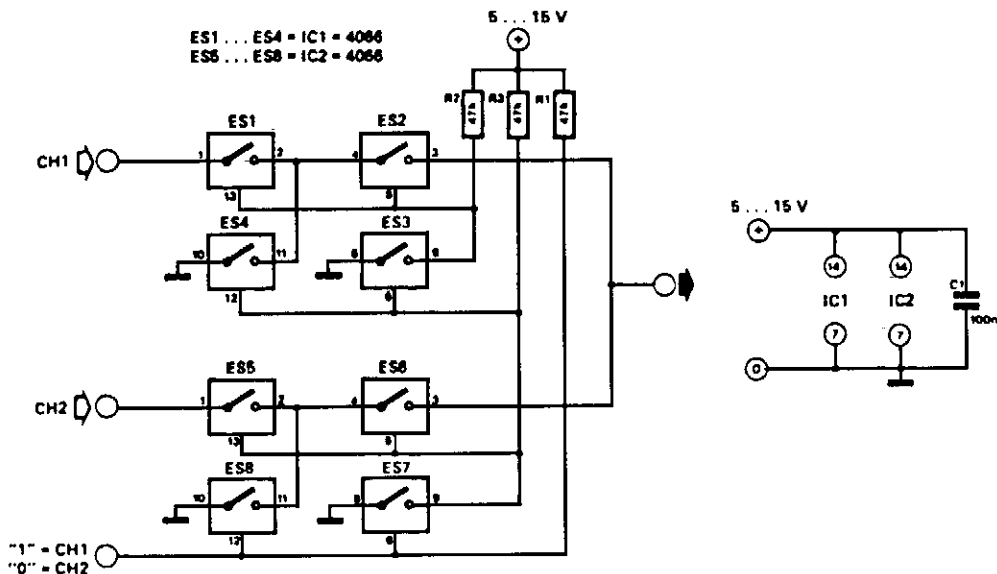
LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

FIG. 108-9

An LT1228 transconductance amplifier is used in this application. The gain is adjustable from  $-12$  to  $+8$  dB.



## VIDEO SELECTOR

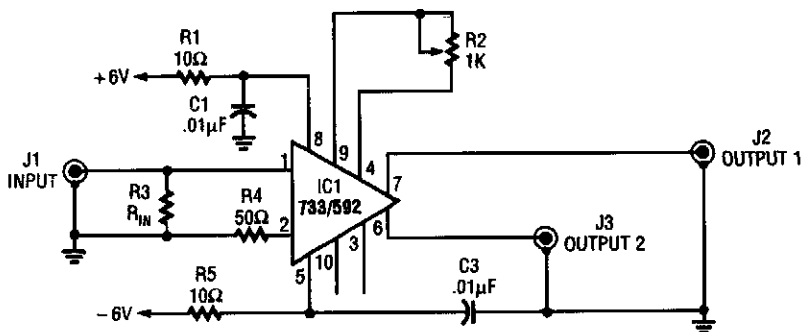


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FIG. 108-12

This circuit selects one of two channels with a logic signal. The unused channel is shorted out, which minimizes crosstalk. The bandwidth at  $-3$  dB is about 8 MHz. It is advisable to buffer this circuit because there is some loss in the switches when feeding a  $75\text{-}\Omega$  load.

## VIDEO PREAMP

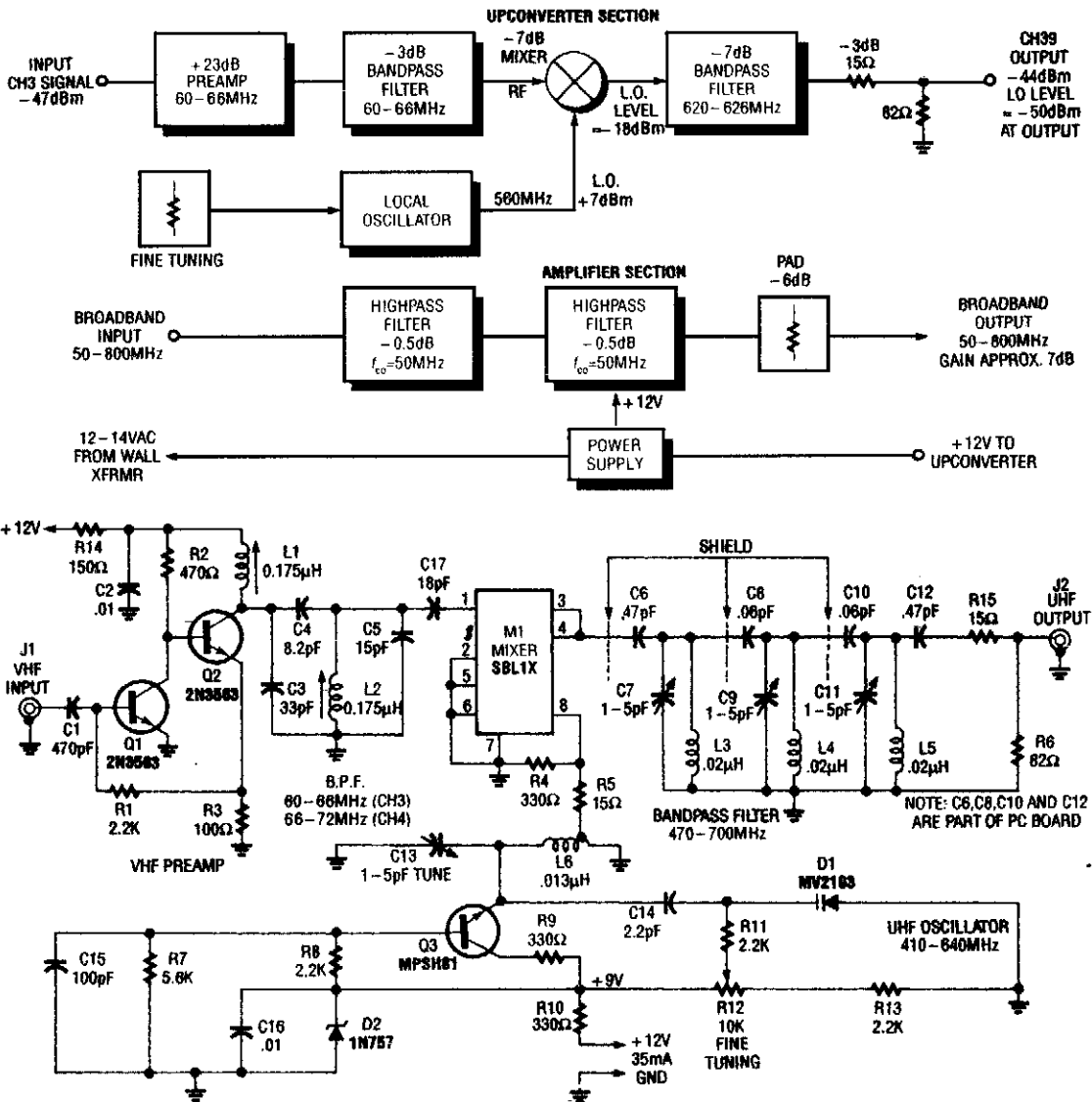


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FIG. 108-13

An NE592 or LM733 is used as a general-purpose video amplifier in this schematic. J2 and J3 provide two anti-phase outputs. R2 is a gain control. The bandwidth is about 100 MHz.

## VIDEO MASTER



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FIG. 108-14

The video master consists of a series of converters that place all your video sources on unused UHF channels, which then combines them with normal TV channels (terrestrial or cable into one cable). That one cable can then feed several TV sets for whole-house coverage. The desired video source is selected with the TV set's tuner. All of the TV's remote-control features are retained.

A complete kit of parts is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.



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## Voltage-Controlled Oscillator Circuits

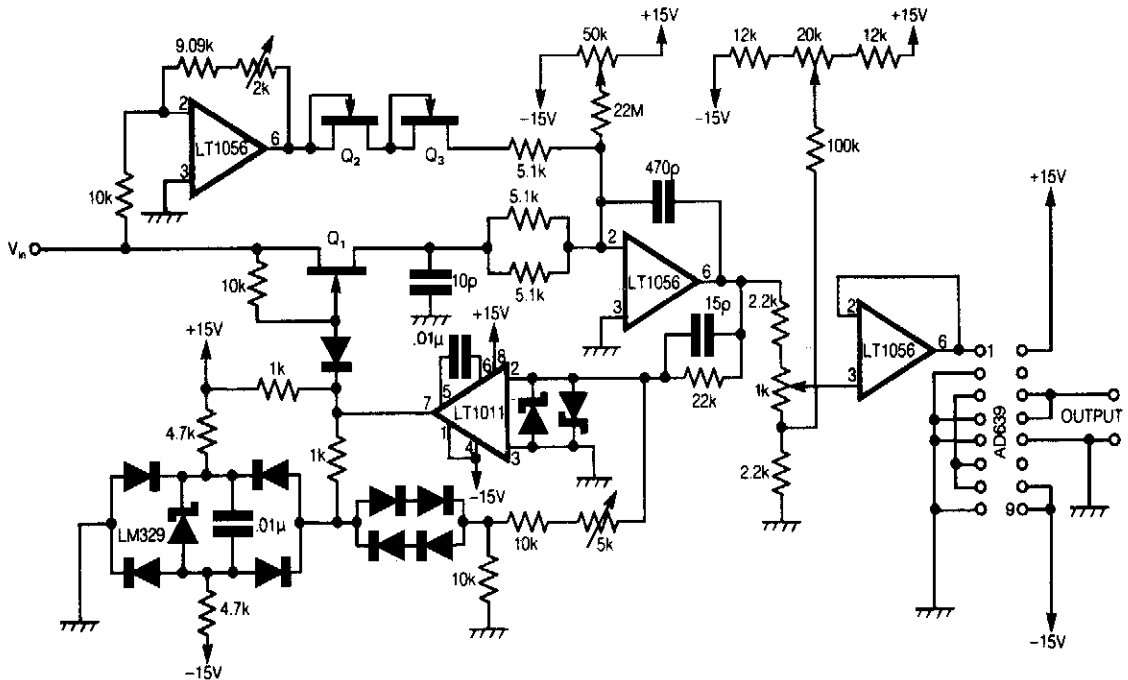
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 675. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Sinusoidal 3-Hz to 300-kHz VCO  
Simple TL082 VCO  
10-Hz to 10-kHz 3-Decade VCO  
Sine-wave VCO  
VCO I  
VCO II

## SINUSOIDAL 3-Hz TO 300-kHz VCO



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FIG. 109-1

This circuit uses Analog Devices' AD639 universal trigonometric function generator to convert a triangle waveform, the basic waveform of the VCO itself, into a very low-distortion sine wave.

By using the AD639 in its frequency tripler mode [2], the frequency range 3 Hz to 300 kHz is now covered. The circuit has been drawn here so that the oscillator loop, consisting of  $Q_1$ , the integrator and the LT1011 comparator, is clearly shown.

When  $Q_1$  is off, the input amplifier, which is adjusted to have a gain of exactly  $-1$ , pulls a current  $V_{in}/R$ , where  $R$  is 5.1 k $\Omega$  in series with two JFETs, and  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$ , out of the virtual earth of the integrator. The output of the integrator thus rises at a rate of  $V_{in}/CR$ , where  $C = 470$  pF. At a level that can be adjusted by the 5-k $\Omega$  potentiometer, the comparator flips and turns on  $Q_1$ .

A current of exactly  $2V_{in}/R$ , is now supplied to the virtual earth of the integrator because there are now two 5.1-k $\Omega$  resistors in parallel and only a single JFET in between the virtual earth and  $V_{in}$ . The integrator output now falls at a rate of  $V_{in}/CR$  and the cycle repeats. Any offset in the current to the virtual earth of the integrator, due to circuit board leakage, etc., can be corrected by adjusting the 50-k $\Omega$  potentiometer. It follows that the symmetry of the triangle wave at the integrator output can be corrected by adjusting the 2-k $\Omega$  potentiometer, and the 50-k $\Omega$  potentiometer at VLF, and the frequency can be trimmed with the 5-k $\Omega$  potentiometer.

### SINUSOIDAL 3-Hz TO 300-kHz VCO (Cont.)

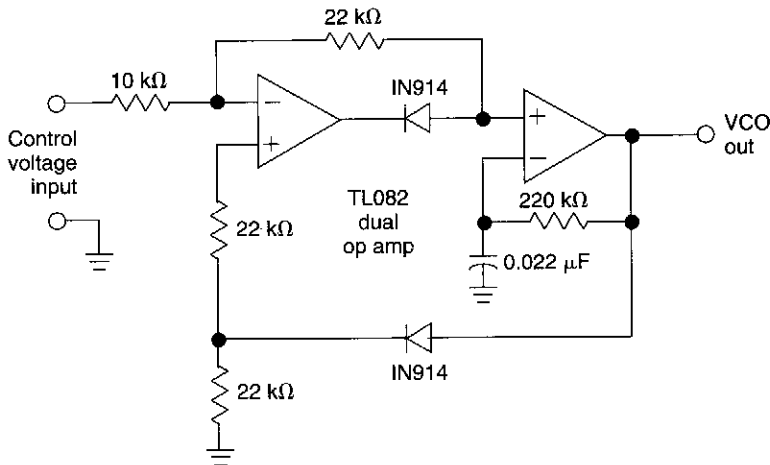
The 1-k $\Omega$  potentiometer variable is adjusted to give the input level to the AD639 needed to drive it over  $\pm 270^\circ$  and so produce a sinusoidal output at three times the frequency of the triangle-wave input. Offset correction for the AD639 is made at the input to the voltage follower by means of the 20-k $\Omega$  potentiometer.

Once a symmetric triangle wave has been obtained by adjusting the 2-k $\Omega$  and 50-k $\Omega$  potentiometers, and the correct frequency of 100 kHz has been set for  $V_{IN} = 10$  V, by adjusting the 5-k $\Omega$  potentiometer, the triple-frequency sine-wave output can be set up by adjustment of the 1-k $\Omega$  and 20-k $\Omega$  potentiometers.

This is best done by triggering the CRO from the triangle wave, and then viewing at least three complete cycles of output. Having adjusted for a clean-looking sine wave, the final adjustment of the 1-k $\Omega$  and 20-k $\Omega$  potentiometers should be made on a single sinusoidal cycle display, using internal trigger so that the three slightly different parts of the output cycle lie one upon the other and can be made to merge. Q1, Q2, and Q3 are 2N4391s, the two Schottky diodes are 5082-2810, and the other nine diodes are 1N914.

All device power supply pins should be decoupled with 0.33  $\mu$ F. Resistors associated with the inputs of the devices should be 1% high-stability parts.

### SIMPLE TL082 VCO



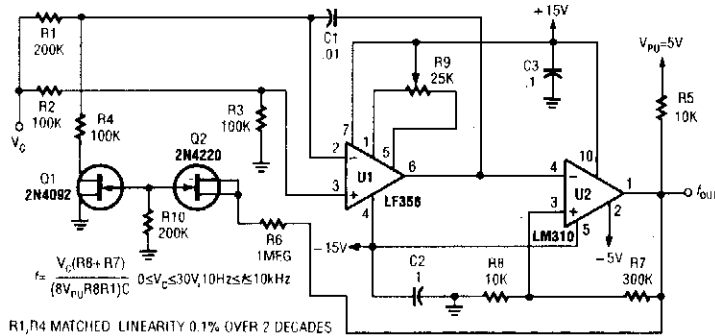
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FIG. 109-2

This circuit uses a dual operational amplifier (TL082) to form a voltage-controlled oscillator (VCO). With the component values shown, the output-frequency range is 100 Hz to 10 kHz when the input control voltage is between 0.05 and 10 V.



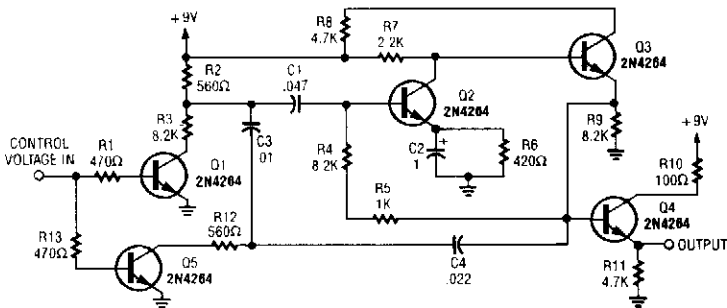
### 10-Hz TO 10-kHz 3-DECADE VCO



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FIG. 109-3

### SINE-WAVE VCO

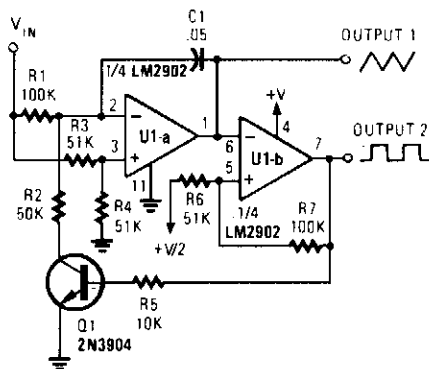


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FIG. 109-4

A dc control voltage varies the effective resistance in feedback network C4/C3/C1 and R12/R3. Q2/Q3 are the oscillator transistors.

### VCO I



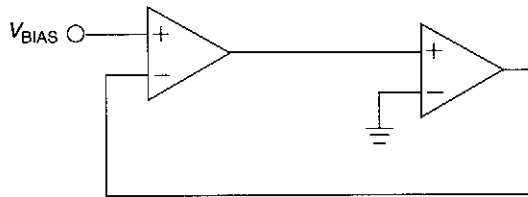
This circuit gives both triangle- and square-wave outputs. The frequency range is determined by C1.

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FIG. 109-5

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## VCO II



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**FIG. 109-6**

The output frequency of this simple low-cost active voltage-controlled oscillator circuit is based upon the inherent frequency dependent characteristics of our operational amplifier.

The oscillator circuit shown uses a TL082 op amp. When power is applied, the circuit generates a sinusoidal wave. The frequency of oscillation can be changed by varying the bias supply.

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## Voltage Converter/Inverter Circuits

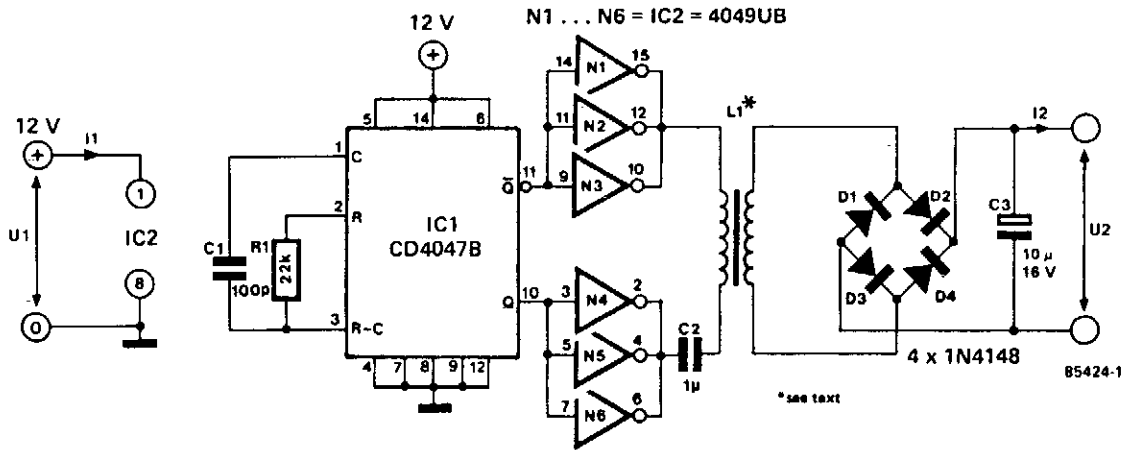
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dc/dc Converter  
Simple dc/ac Inverter

### dc/dc CONVERTER

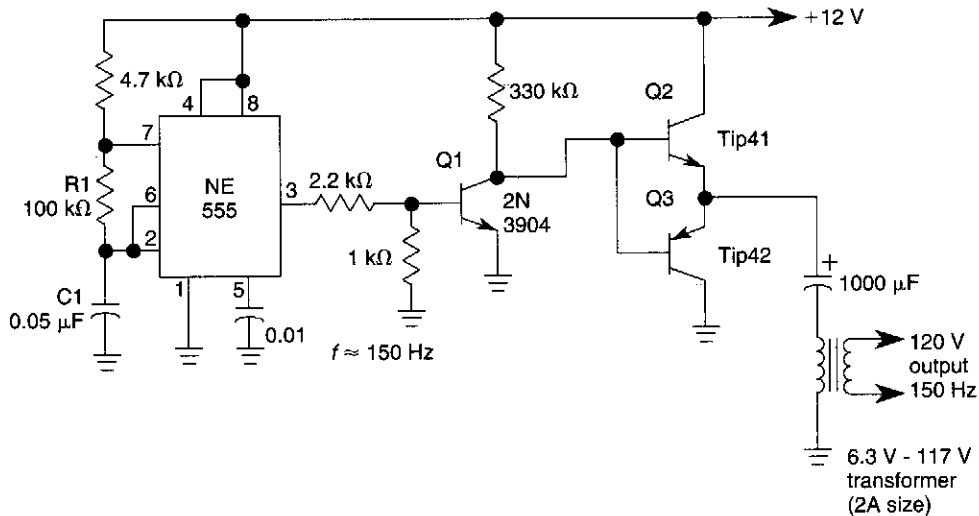


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FIG. 110-1

This low-power converter will supply about 100 mW of dc to a load and it is useful to isolate or derive dc voltages. It operates at around 200 kHz. L1 is wound on a 22-mm diameter  $\times$  13-mm high pot core with #32 magnet wire. The primary is 80 turns and the secondary is 80 turns (for 12-V nominal output). The two windings should be insulated for the expected voltage difference between input and output in insulation applications.

### SIMPLE dc/ac INVERTER



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FIG. 110-2

This dc-to-ac inverter is based on the popular 555. A 555 oscillator circuit drives a buffer amplifier consisting of Q1, Q2, and Q3. The circuit operates at 150 to 160 Hz. T1 can be a 6.3-V or 12.6-V filament transformer as applicable. The frequency can be changed by changing the values of R1 and/or C1.

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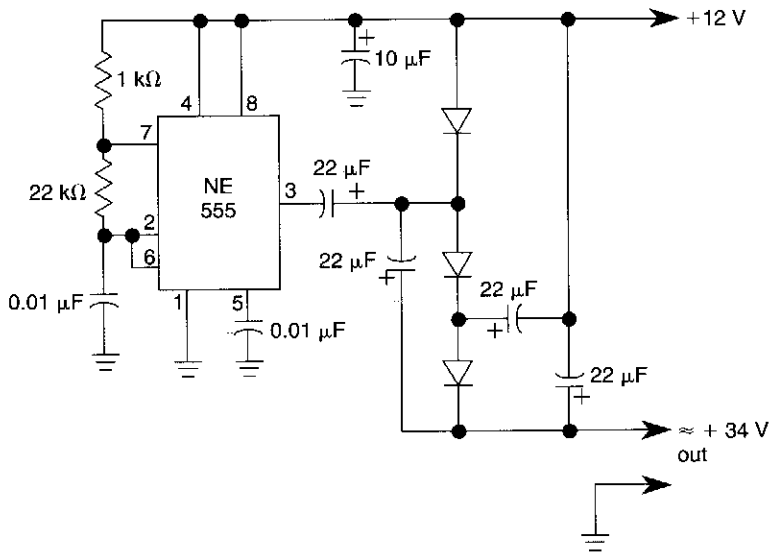
## Voltage Multiplier Circuits

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Low-Power dc Tripler  
Low-Power dc Quadrupler  
Low-Power dc Doubler

### LOW-POWER dc TRIPLER

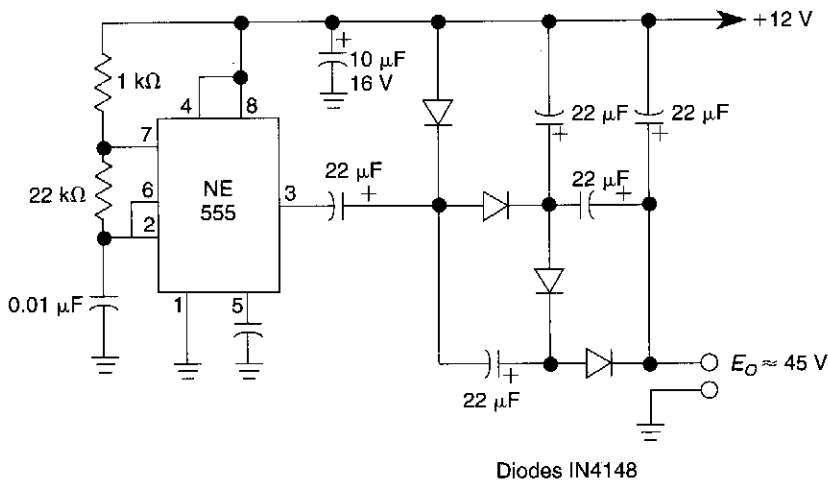


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FIG. 111-1

This dc voltage-tripler circuit based on the 555 can produce a dc output voltage equal to approximately  $3\times$  the dc supply voltage.

### LOW-POWER dc QUADRUPLER

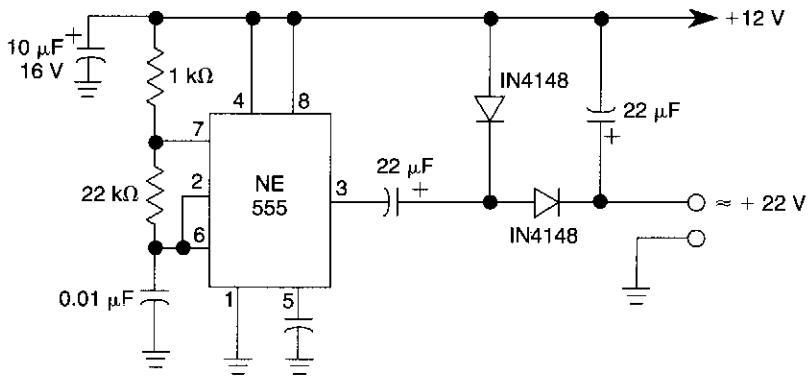


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FIG. 111-2

This dc voltage-quadrupler circuit based on the 555 can produce a dc output voltage equal to approximately  $4\times$  the dc supply voltage.

## LOW-POWER dc DOUBLER



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FIG. 111-3

This dc voltage-doubler circuit based on the 555 can produce a dc output voltage equal to approximately  $2\times$  the dc supply voltage.

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## Window Comparator and Discriminator Circuits

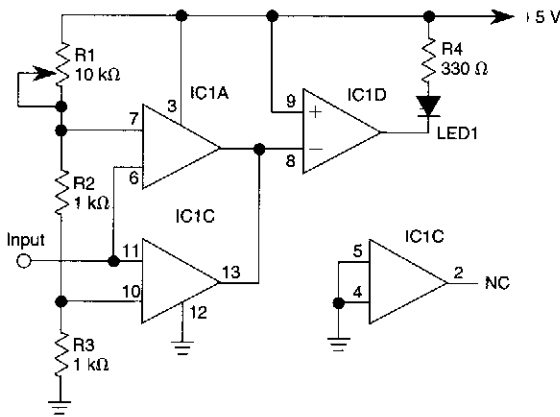
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Window Comparator  
Multiple-Aperture Window Discriminator



## WINDOW COMPARATOR

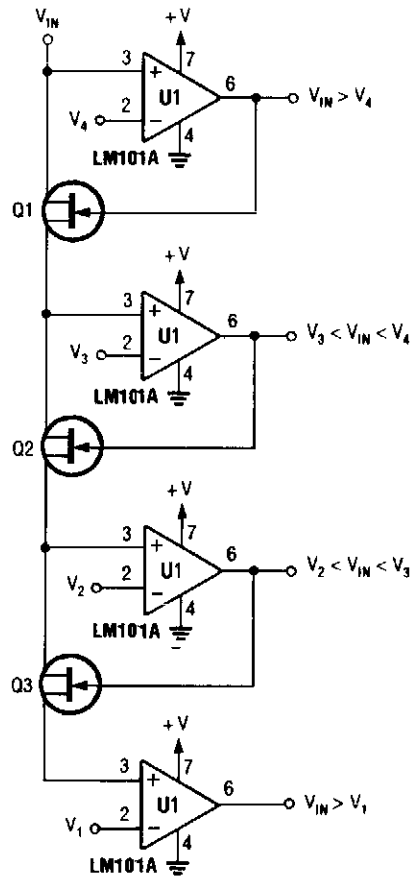


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FIG. 112-1

IC1-c functions as a noninverting comparator, and IC1-a operates as an inverting comparator. Potentiometer R1 and fixed resistors R2 and R3 form a divider chain that delivers slightly different voltages to the two comparators. These voltages define the upper and lower limits of the circuit's switching "window," which can be changed easily by varying R2 and R3. The LED glows only when the input voltage falls within the window region.

## MULTIPLE-APERTURE WINDOW DISCRIMINATOR



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FIG. 112-2

V1 through V4 are reference voltages that are derived from separate sources or from a common voltage divider.

# Sources

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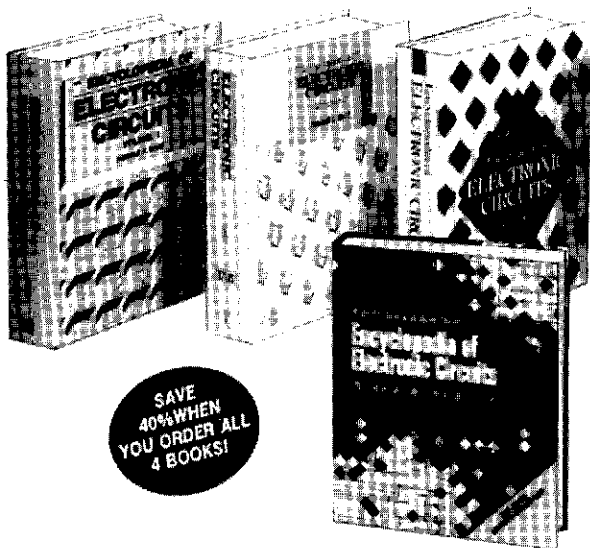
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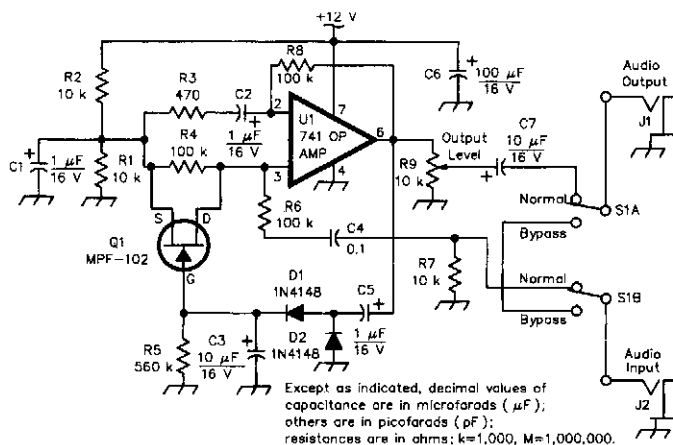
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3-MHz Low-Noise AGC System  
IF AGC Network  
Audio Leveler

## AGC AUDIO PREAMP



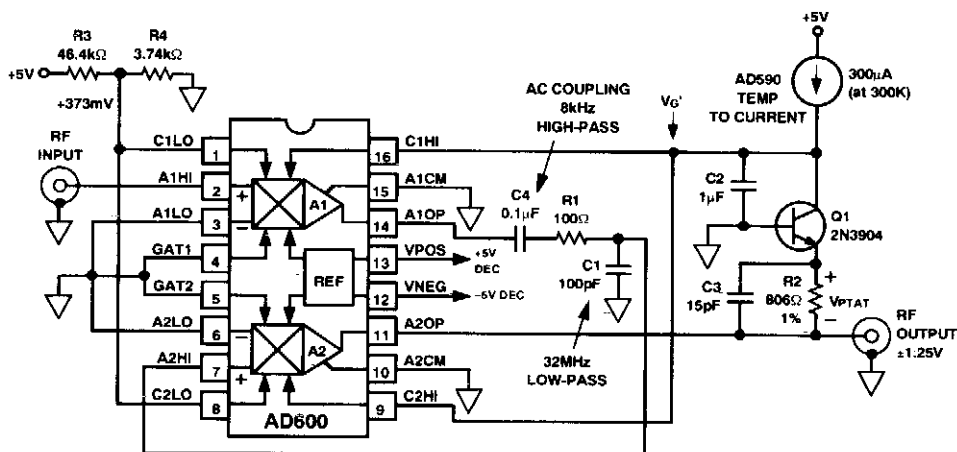
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Fig. 1-1

The circuit uses an easily obtained 741 op amp set for an internal gain of about 200. A portion of the op amp's output signal is rectified by the 1N4148 diodes, then filtered and fed to the gate of the FET input shunting circuit. As the output rises, more and more input shunting takes place. That is, more of the input signal is bypassed, effectively keeping the output level constant.

The circuit offers a 100:1 limiting action. The input level can change over a 100:1 ratio with little or no effect on the output level. The output level itself can be set from less than unity all the way up to nearly the gain of the amplifier, making the circuit usable in other applications as well.

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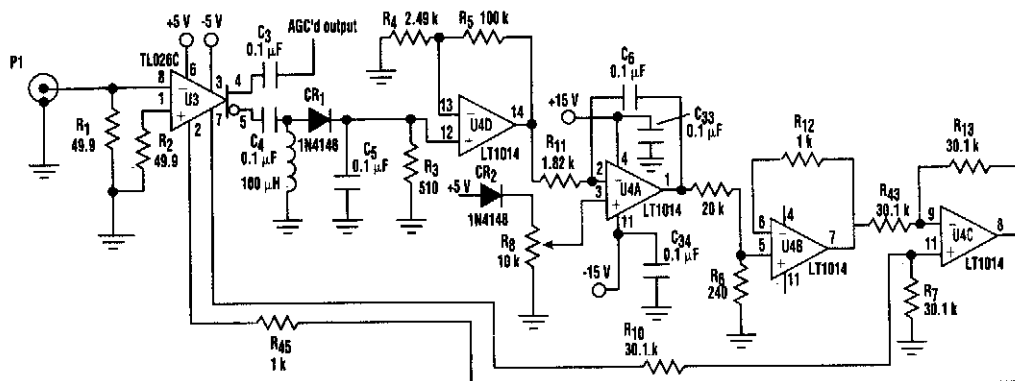


ANALOG DIALOG

Fig. 1-2

The AD600 dual voltage-controlled amplifier in this circuit provides a 3-MHz AGC system with 80-dB range.

## IF AGC NETWORK

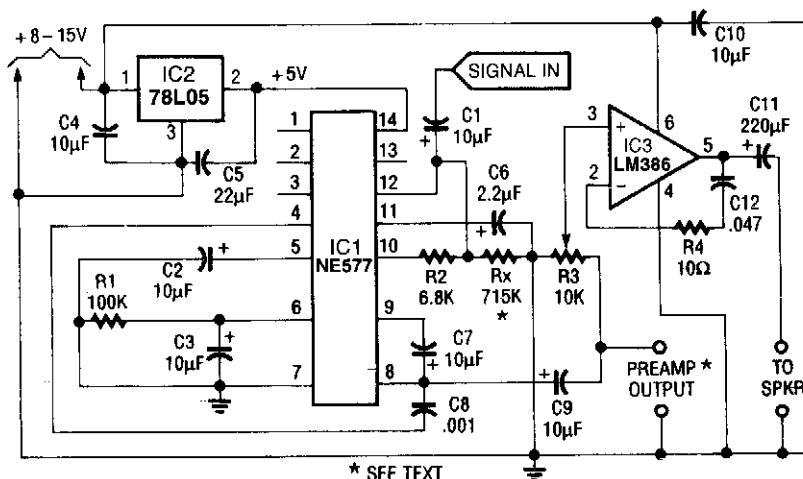


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 1-3**

A simple IF AGC circuit that features wide dynamic range and excellent linearity can be achieved with two chips: TI's TL026C voltage-controlled amplifier IC and Linear Technology's LT1014 (or any other similar basic quad op amp).

## AUDIO LEVELER



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**Fig. 1-4**

A low power programmable compandor chip, the Signetics NE577 IC is used. Incoming audio is compressed, rectified and conditioned so that the input signal level always remains about the noise level. The compressor is an ALC circuit that outputs a constant level and the expander part of the IC is not used.

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## Air-Flow Circuits

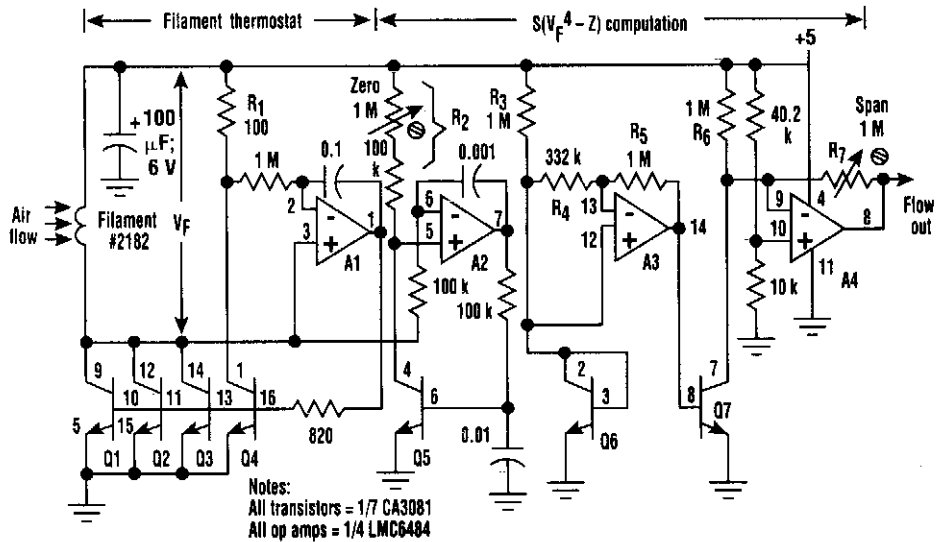
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Hot-Wire Anemometer  
Electronic Anemometer  
Air Flow Detector



## HOT-WIRE ANEMOMETER



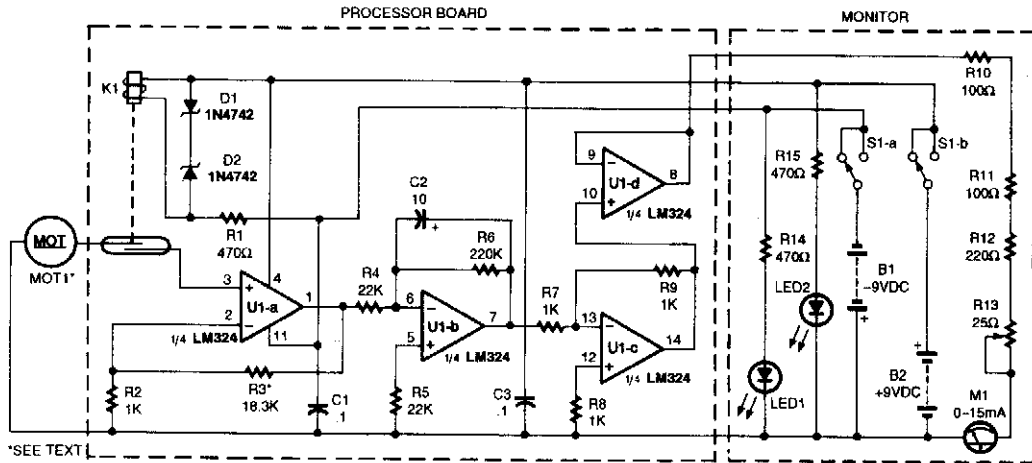
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 2-1

An anemometer can be realized by utilizing the inherent transconductance match of transistors in the array, instead of passive series resistances, to control filament current. As a result, as A1 serves the collector current of Q4 and thereby the voltage across R1, it simultaneously adjusts the filament (a 2182-type incandescent lamp denuded of its glass envelope) voltage,  $V_f$ . The ratio of the filament to R1 current is stably maintained by the identical temperature and operating points of Q1 through Q4. The net result is that A1 drives the filament temperature to the value that causes filament resistance to equal  $R1/3 = 33 \Omega$ . This is about double the cold resistance of the filament and therefore, assuming tungsten wire with a 0.0045/degree coefficient of resistance, represents a filament operating temperature of around 230°C. This is hot enough that moderate changes in ambient temperature are unimportant factors in filament power demand, but not so hot as to cause the filament to burn.

Rail-to-rail input amplifier A2 continuously serves the collector current of Q5 to  $V_f/R_2$ , making the  $V_{bc}$  of Q5 a logarithmic function of  $V_f$ . A3 multiplies this log by 4 and applies the product of Q7. Q7 does the antilog function so that its collector current is proportional to the fourth power of  $V_f$ . Thus, by King's law, it's proportional to air speed in the vicinity of the filament. This current is offset and scaled by A4 to produce a voltage output that, thanks to the rail-to-rail output capability of the LMC6484, can range from 0.01 to 4.99 V. Full-scale air speed can be adjusted, using R7, to any value in the range of 1 to 10 meters/s.

## ELECTRONIC ANEMOMETER

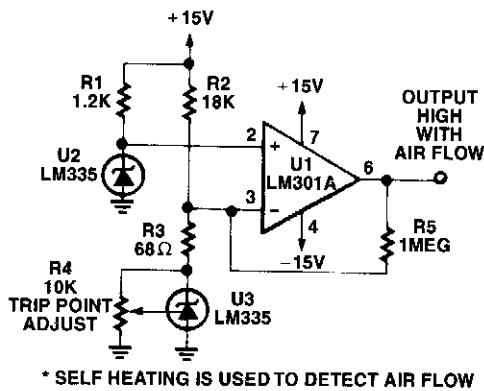


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Fig. 2-2

A motor used as a generator is used as a transducer to generate a dc voltage that is proportional to wind speed. K1 prevents the transducer voltages from being applied to the circuit if no dc power is present. U1A through U1D is a dc amplifier, integrator, and buffer. This circuit drives the meter M1. The processor board is mounted in a housing along with the generator M1.

## AIR FLOW DETECTOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 2-3

The self heating of a semiconductor that is cooled by airflow is used as a sensing method.

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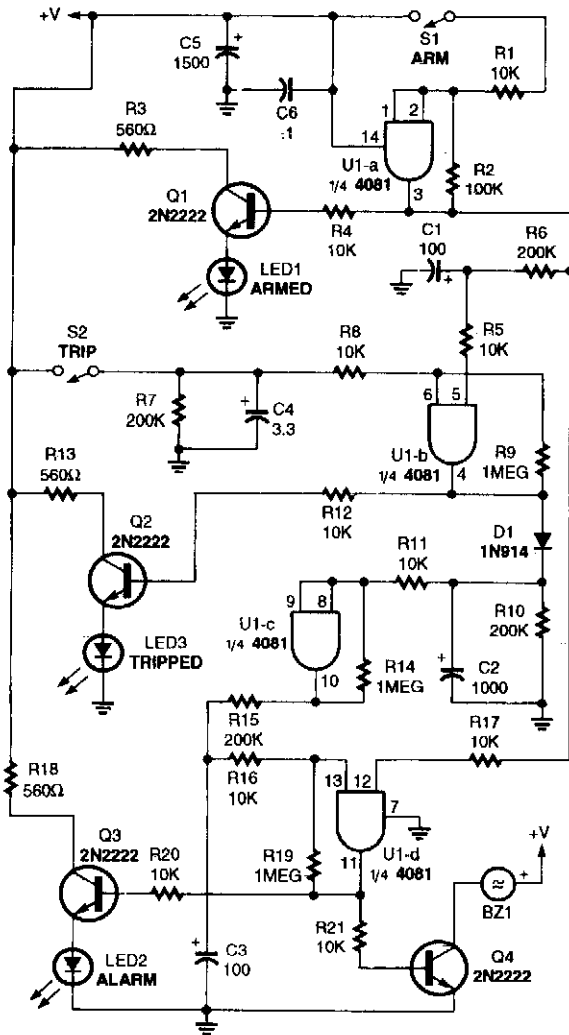
## Alarm and Security Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Burglar Alarm Circuit
- Auto Security System Transmitter
- Home Security System
- Auto Security System Receiver
- Flashing Brake Light for Motorcycles
- Car Alarm Decoy
- Motorcycle Alarm
- Simple Bike Horn
- Door Ajar Indicator
- Motorcycle Burglar Alarm
- Horn Circuit for Motorcycle Use

## BURGLAR ALARM CIRCUIT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-1

This alarm circuit is built around a single 4081 (CMOS) quad AND gate. It offers an exit and entry delay (around automatically reset two minutes after tripping, provided that the trip input is not left high).

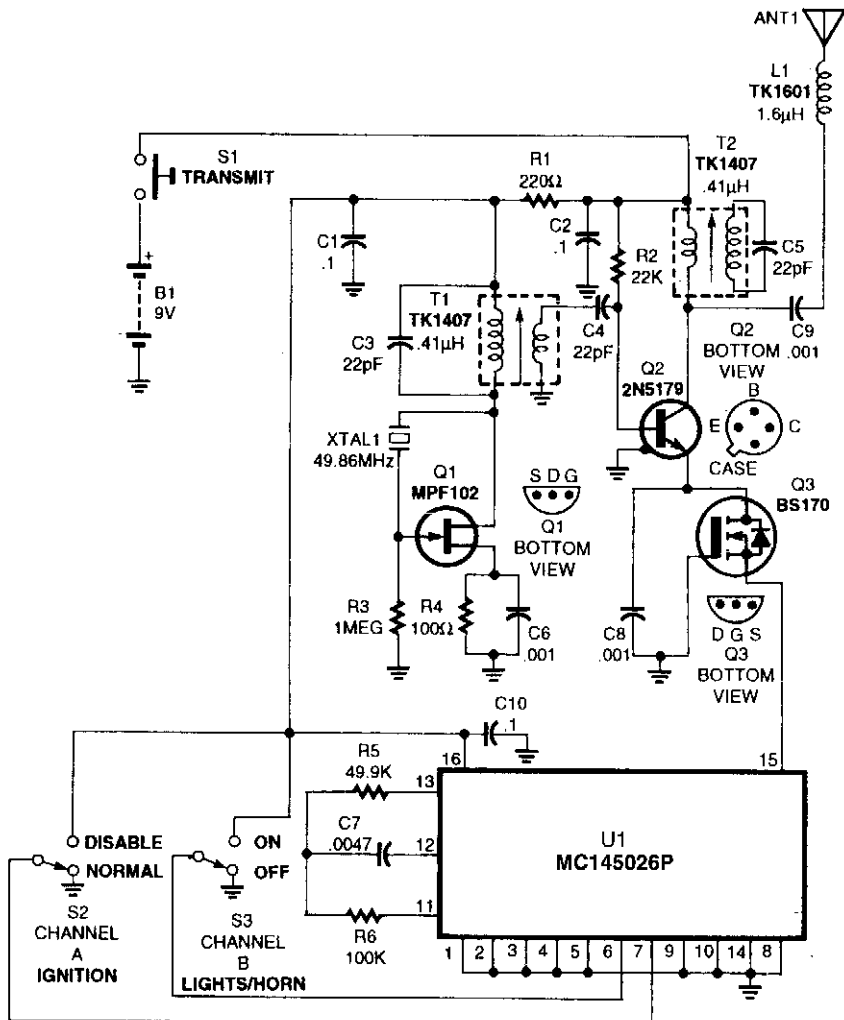
The arming switch must go high to arm or low to disarm. After arming, U1-a begins to charge C1 via R6. Around 20 seconds later (after the exit delay), C1 has a sufficient charge to produce a high at the pin-5 input of U1-b. Also, when the circuit is armed, Q1 is turned on to indicate arming, and one input of U1-d is brought high.

After the exit delay times out, if the trip input opens, it causes an output on gate U1-b. Transistor Q1 is turned on, lighting the trip indicator (LED3), C2 instantly charges, and the output of U1-c goes high. At that point, C3 begins charging to provide the entry delay.

After 20 seconds, C3 has sufficient charge to produce a high at pin 13 of U1-d. That forces U1-d's output high, turning Q3 and Q4 on, which activates the alarm indicator (LED2) and sounder (BZ1), respectively. If disarmed after a trip pulse, but before the 20-second, entry delay time out, pin 12 of U1-d goes low, so the gate's output does not go high and the alarm does not sound.

Components C2 and R10 hold U1-c on for around 2 minutes and 20 seconds to provide the two-minute alarm. After C2's charge drops below half of the supply voltage, U1-c's output goes low, awaiting another trip pulse to set it off again.

## AUTO SECURITY SYSTEM TRANSMITTER

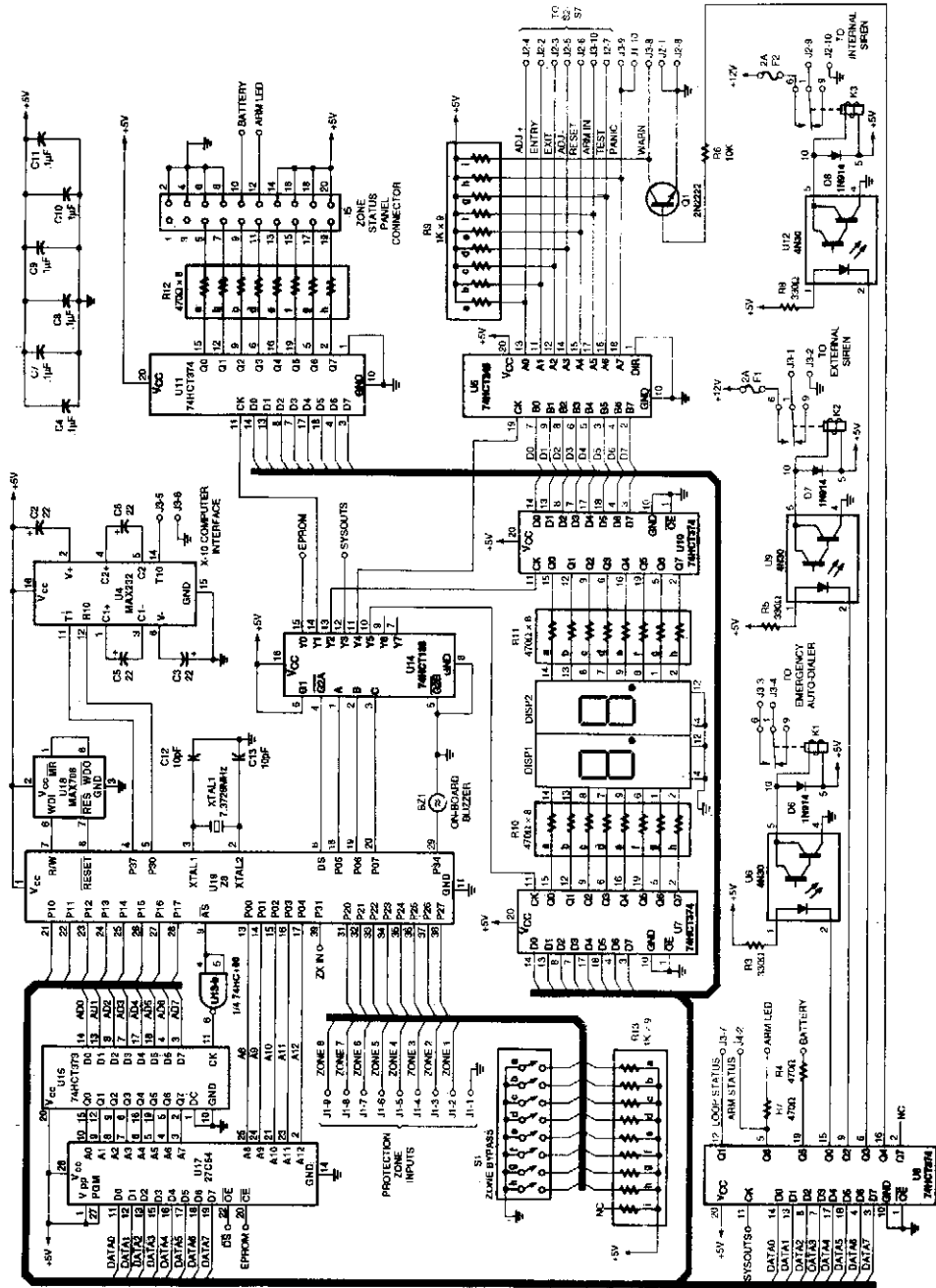


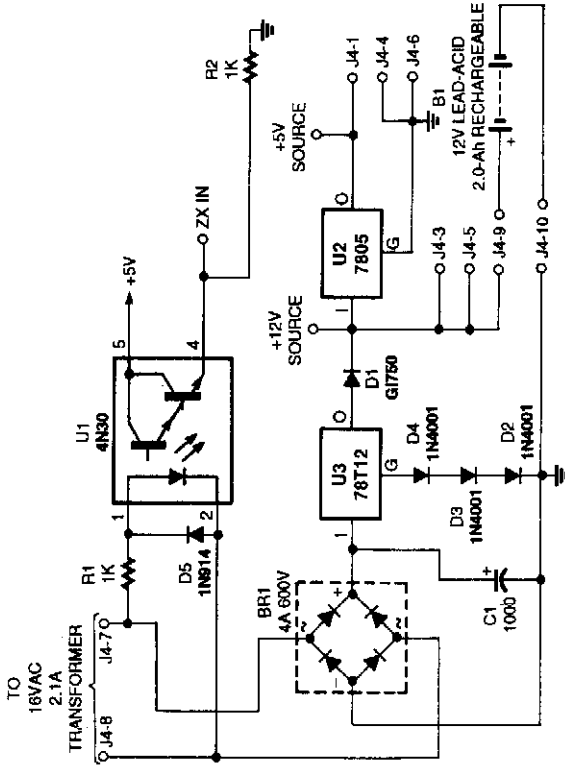
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-2

This transmitter operates at 49 MHz and uses an M145026 programmable digital encoder to generate a unique digital code, depending on the positions of S2 and S3, to control ignition and lights or horn. Q1 is the oscillator, Q2 the power amplifier. The antenna is a 36-inch whip or wire antenna.

# HOME SECURITY SYSTEM





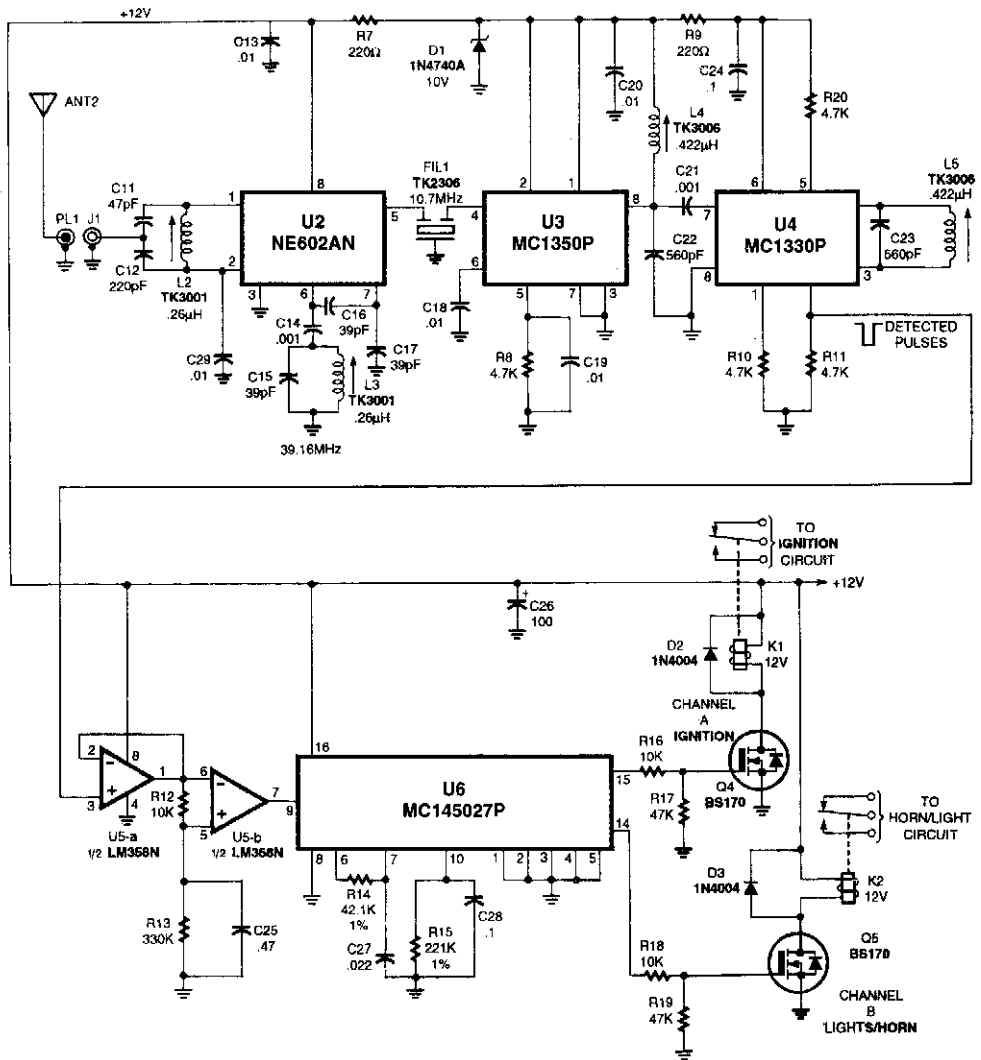
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-3

At the heart of the main-control unit is U16, Zilog's Z8-8-bit microcontroller, which receives its program instruction from U17, a 27C64 8K x 8 EPROM. The home security system in its most basic form, features eight individual protection zones, adjustable entry and exit delays, a panic switch (for emergency situations), automatic system reset, support for an auto-dialer (which, in case of emergency, dials pre-programmed telephone numbers), it's X-10 compatible (allowing it to control house lights and appliances), has a backup battery (to keep the system on-line during a power failure), and there is also an optional zone-status panel that is used to individually show the condition of each protection zone.

This system's power supply provides 12 Vdc for the sirens and digital keypad, and 5 Vdc for the on-board electronics, while also providing a constant 12-V output that's used to charge the backup-battery.

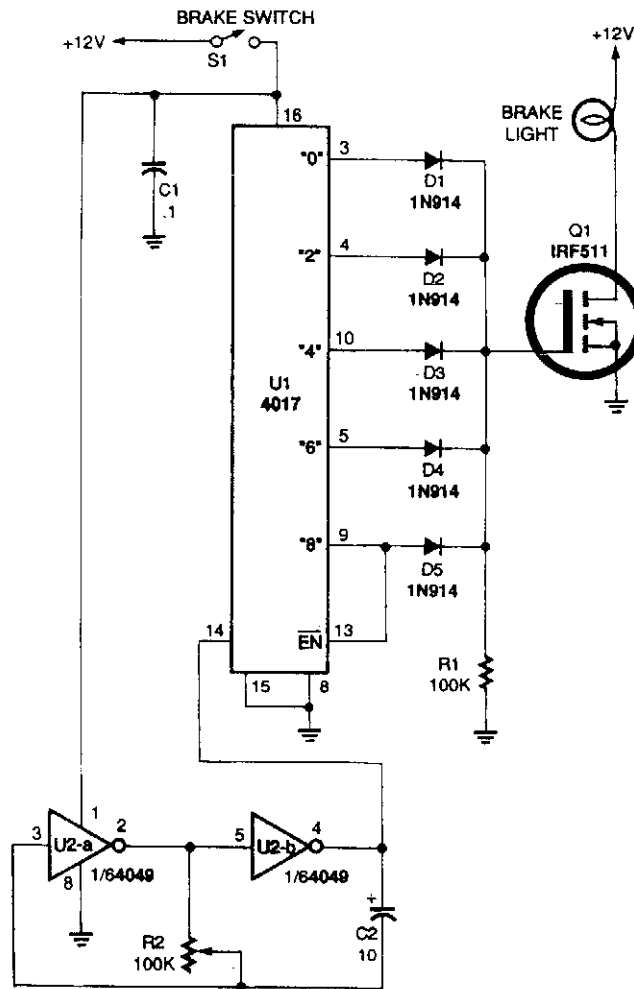
## AUTO SECURITY SYSTEM RECEIVER



This receiver is a superheterodyne type tuned to 49 MHz. U2 is a mixer, followed by a 10.7-MHz filter and two-stage IF (U3, U4) and detector. The encoded received RF pulse signal from the antenna produces detected pulse from the MC1330P. These pulses are amplified by U5 and fed to decoder IC U6, and MC1450278. Two channels are available at the output, which drives K1 and K2.



## FLASHING BRAKE LIGHT FOR MOTORCYCLES

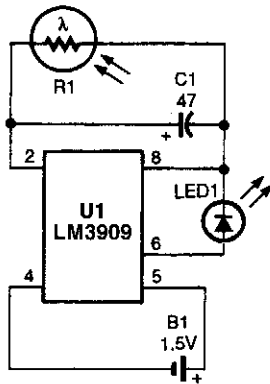


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-5

When brake-light switch S1 is closed, power is applied to U1 and U2. Two inverters of U2, a 4049 hex inverting buffer, are connected in a low-frequency oscillator circuit that feeds clock pulses into U1, a 4017 decade counter/divider. Outputs 0, 2, 4, 6, and 8 of U1 are coupled to the gate of Q1 through a 1N914 diode. As the 4017 counts down, it turns the brake light on and off four times and then leaves it on until the brake switch is released. The on/off rate can be set by potentiometer R2; for best results, the on/off rate should be set so that it is rapid.

## CAR ALARM-DECOY

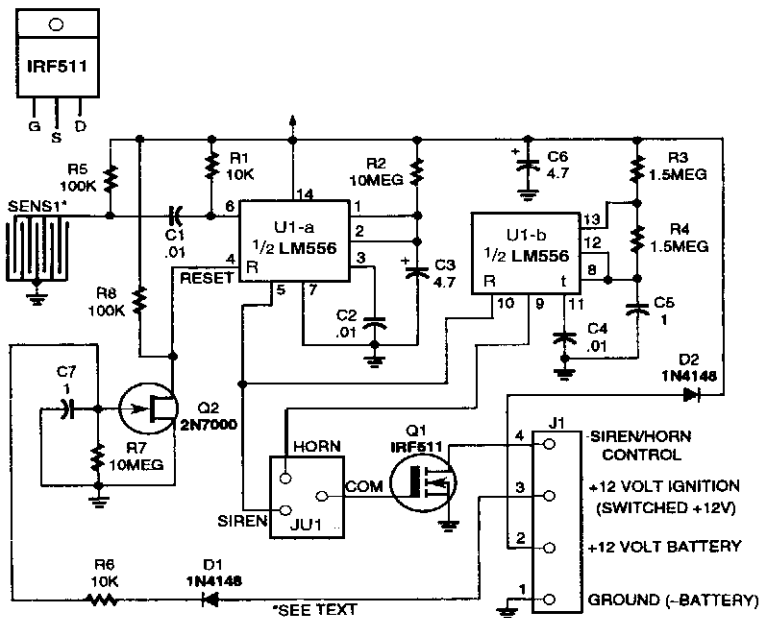


The device will simulate the presence of a burglar alarm in automobiles or homes. Mount R1 where daylight can fall on it. During darkness, LED1 flashes, making potential intruders think an alarm system is installed.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-6

## MOTORCYCLE ALARM

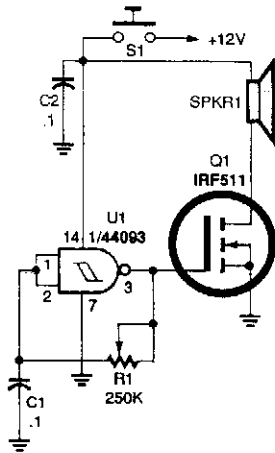


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Fig. 3-7

A dual timer is used to generate a long pulse, which gates a second timer, producing a square wave (nonsymmetrical) and controls the on/off time of the horn. Siren operation can be selected with a jumper. In this case, the output of Q1 will be continuously on and not cycled. Sensor S1 is a row of adjacent circuit board traces with a stainless steel ball bearing laying on them. Any movement causes momentary shorting and opening of the circuit, triggering U1-a.

## SIMPLE BIKE HORN



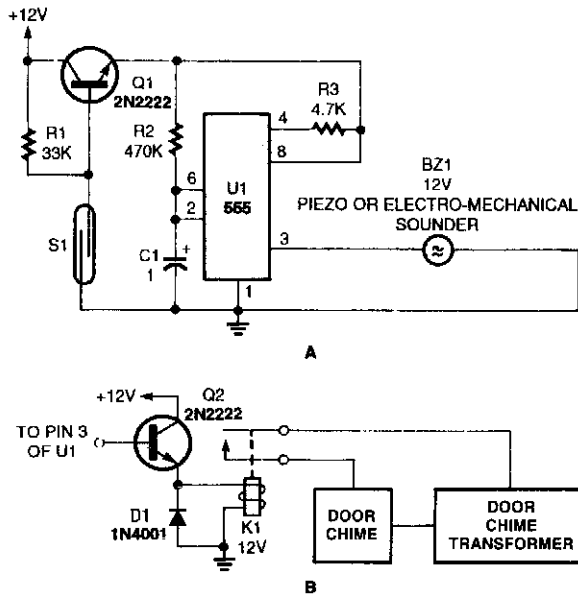
The horn circuit uses only one gate of a 4093 quad 2-input NAND Schmitt trigger, U1, connected in a simple, low-frequency, square-wave oscillator circuit. The oscillator's output, at pin 3, drives the gate of Q1. The drain of that FET drives a small horn speaker.

Potentiometer R1 can be adjusted to set the horn's output frequency. Some horn speakers are frequency sensitive, so play with the oscillator's frequency control for the best or loudest sound.

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*Fig. 3-8*

## DOOR AJAR INDICATOR

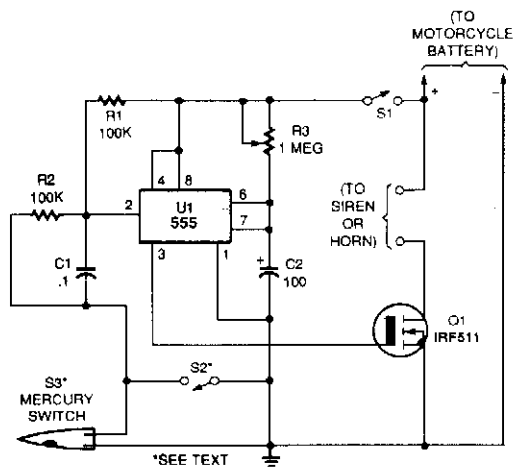


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*Fig. 3-9*

This simple sounder (A) makes a good door annunciator. If the buzzer is replaced with the circuit in B, the annunciator can be made more pleasant to the ear.

## MOTORCYCLE BURGLAR ALARM



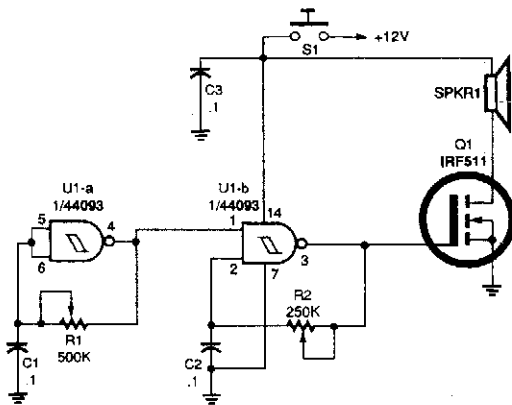
A 555 IC is connected in a one-shot timer circuit that turns on a FET transistor and either a siren or the bike's horn for a preset time period. Switch S1 is used as an on/off switch.

Closing either of two switches, S2 and S3, will trigger the IC. When either switch closes, pin 2 of U1 goes low. That triggers the IC to produce a positive output at pin 3 and sounds the alarm for the time period set by R3. The mercury switch, S3, is the switch that activates the alarm should anyone move your bike. Switch S2 can be used as a panic switch.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 3-10

## HORN CIRCUIT FOR MOTORCYCLE USE



Gates U1-a and U1-b of the 4093 quad 2-input NAND Schmitt trigger are connected in variable, low-frequency, square-wave oscillator circuits. The output of gate U1-a is connected to one of the inputs of gate U1-b. The square-wave output of gate U1-a modulates oscillator U1-b, producing a two-tone output. A really interesting sound can be produced by carefully adjusting potentiometers R1 and R2.

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Fig. 3-11

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## Amateur Circuits

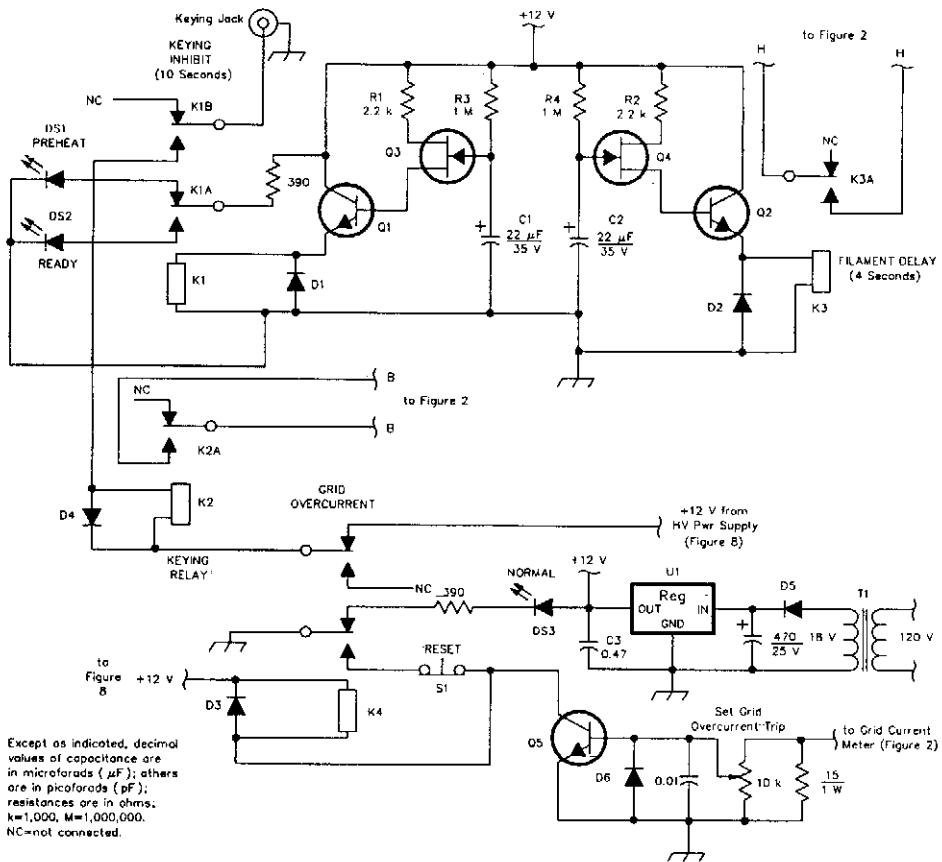
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1.2-kW 144-MHz Amplifier Power Supply  
1.2-kW 144-MHz Amplifier Control Circuitry  
1.2-kW 144-MHz Linear Amplifier  
Four-Stage 75-Meter SSB Superhet Receiver  
Improved CW Transmitter Keying Circuit  
One-Chip AFSK Generator  
Programmable CW Identifier  
Audible SWR Detector Adapter  
Audio Breakout Box  
One-Watt CW Transmitter  
PTT Control from Receiver Audio  
Transceiver Memory Backup  
80-Meter SSB Receiver  
CW Audio Filter  
RF Line Sampler/Coupler  
Battery Pack and Reverse Polarity Protection  
Simple Identifier  
Transmit Keyer Interface Circuits  
Mobile Radio On-Alarm Timer



## 1.2-kW 144-MHz AMPLIFIER CONTROL CIRCUITRY

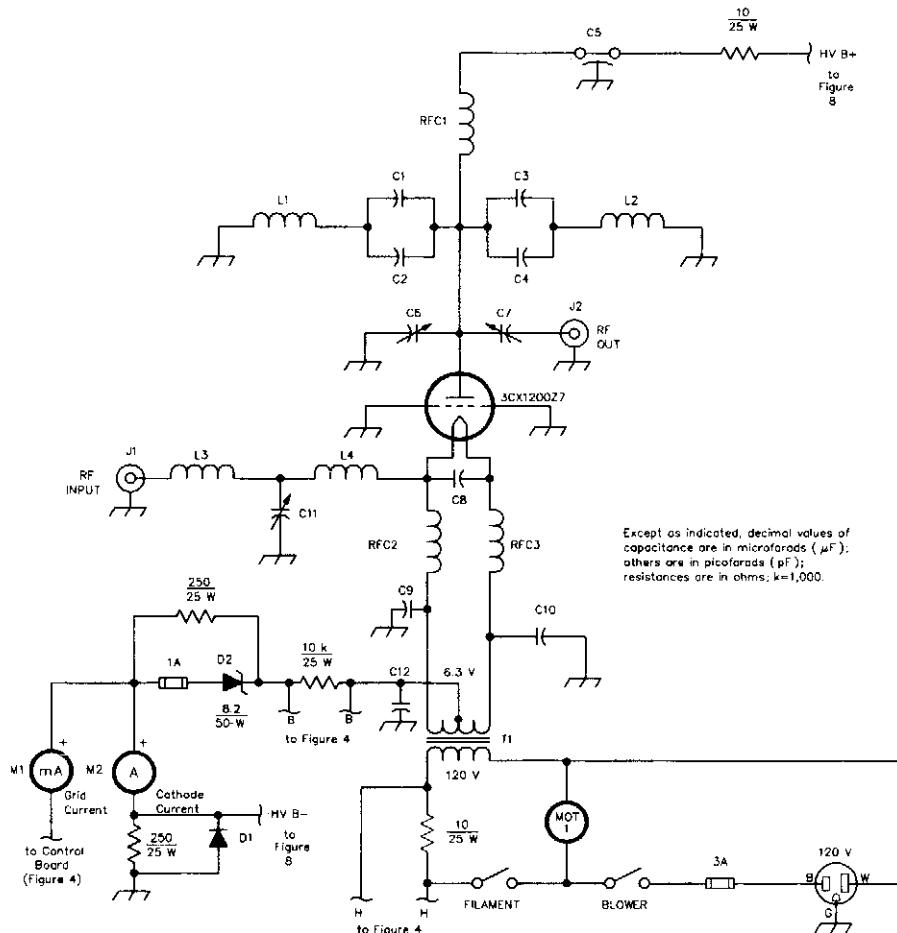


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Fig. 4-2

Schematic diagram of the amplifier-control circuits.

## 1.2-kW 144-MHz LINEAR AMPLIFIER



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms;  $k=1,000$ .

- C1-C4—100 pF, 5 kV, type 850
- C5—1000 pF, 5 kV
- C6—Anode-tuning capacitor; see text and Figure 5 for details
- C7—Output-loading capacitor; see text and Figure 7 for details
- C8-C10—1000-pF silver mica, 500 V
- C11—30-pF air variable
- C12—0.01  $\mu\text{F}$ , 1 kV
- D1—1000 PIV, 3-A diode, 1N5408 or equiv
- D2—8.2-V, 50-W Zener diode, ECG 5249A
- J1—Chassis-mount BNC connector
- J2—Type-N connector fitted to output coupling assembly (see Figure 7)
- L1, L2—Plate lines; see text and Figure 6 for details
- L3—5 t no. 14,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diameter, close wound
- L4—3 t no. 14,  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch diameter,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch spacing
- RFC1—7 t no. 14,  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch diameter,  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inch long

- RFC2, RFC3—10 t no. 12,  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch diameter, 2 inches long
  - T1—Filament transformer. Primary: 120 V; secondary: 6.3 V, 25 A, center tapped
- Available from Avatar Magnetics (Ronald C. Williams, W9JVF, 240 Tamara Trail, Indianapolis, IN 46217, 317-783-1211); part number AV-539
- M1—Grid milliammeter, 200 mA dc full scale
  - M2—Cathode ammeter, 2 A dc full scale
  - MOT1—140 free-air cfm, 120-V ac blower, Dayton 4C442 or equivalent.
- Sources for some of the "hard to get parts" include:
- Fair Radio Sales, 1016 E Eureka, Lima, OH 45802, tel 419-227-6573
  - Surplus Sales of Nebraska, 1502 Jones Street, Omaha, NE 68102, tel 402-346-4750.

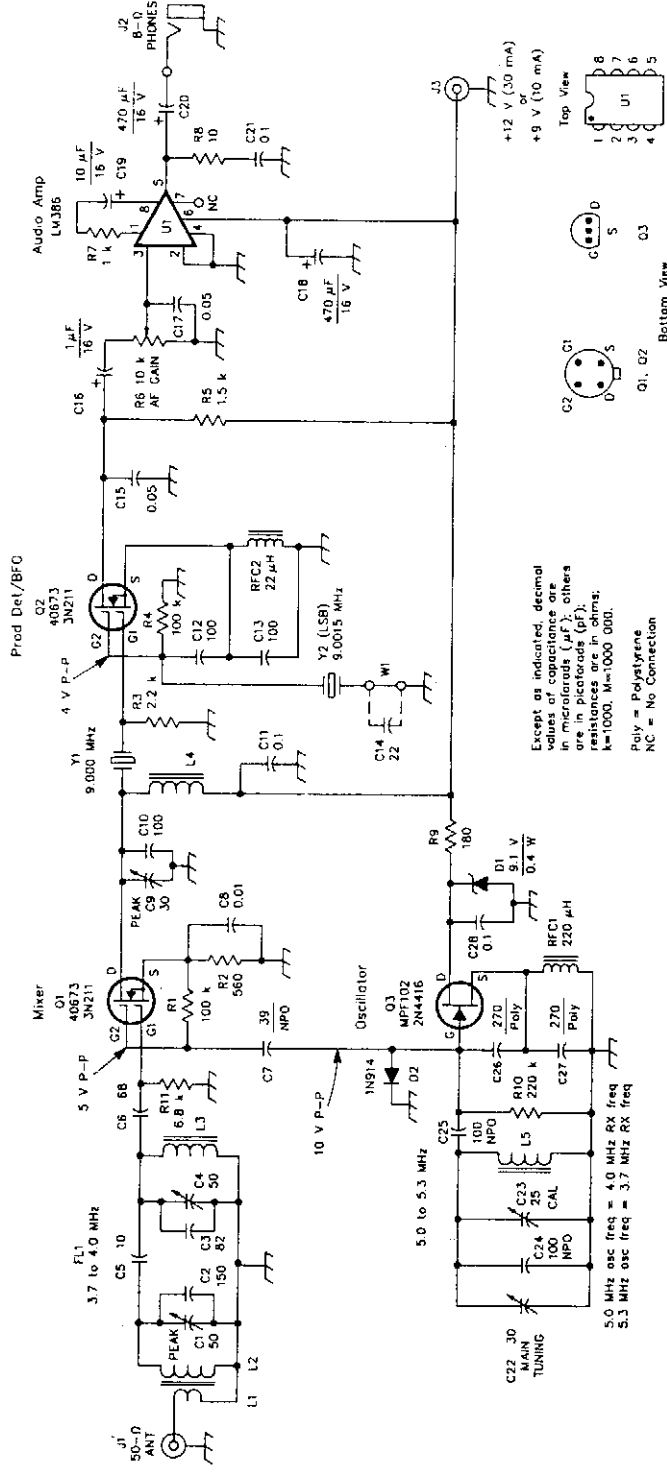
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Schematic diagram of the 2-meter amplifier.

Fig. 4-3



# FOUR-STAGE 75-METER SSB SUPERHET RECEIVER

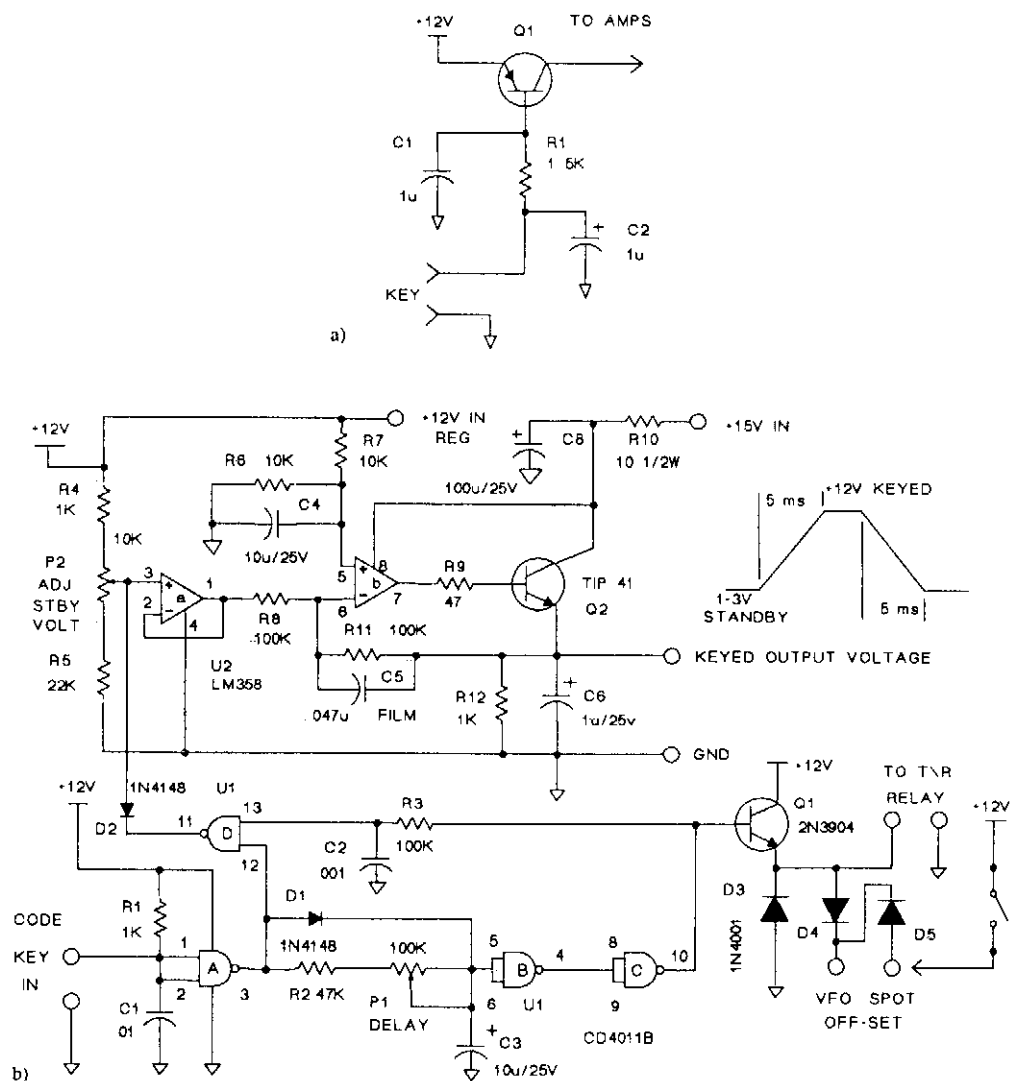


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Fig. 4-4

A simple superhet receiver for SSB reception in the 75-meter amateur band is shown. Y1 acts as a crystal filter.

## IMPROVED CW TRANSMITTER KEYING CIRCUIT



Typical (A) QRP keying circuit; (B) Improved QRP keying circuit with CMOS T/R keying control. Op amp U2b is a basic inverting amplifier with a gain of one. The capacitor C5 across the feedback resistor R11 makes it an integrator. The RC time constant of R11 and C5 determine the ramp time. The values shown will produce a 5-ms ramp. Use a good-quality capacitor for C5, such as a mylar or polypropylene type. A power transistor is placed inside the feedback loop so that the circuit can supply several hundred milliamperes of current. Control P2 sets the stand-by output voltage as seen at

## IMPROVED CW TRANSMITTER KEYING CIRCUIT (Cont.)

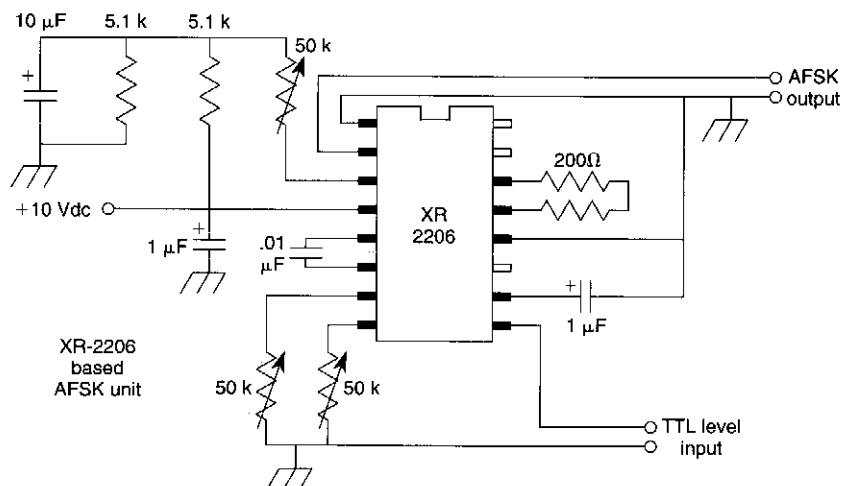
the emitter of Q1. U2a buffers the voltage from P2. This isolates the pot from the input of the integrator. With the key up, adjust the pot until you just start to see an output from your transmitter, then back it off a little. Typically, this will be between 2 and 4 V. Your output signal will now have the proper 5-ms leading and falling edges and there will be no delay between key closure and the start of the output signal.

You must supply the op amp and collector of Q2 with at least 15 V to produce a full 12-V output on the emitter.

### Parts list

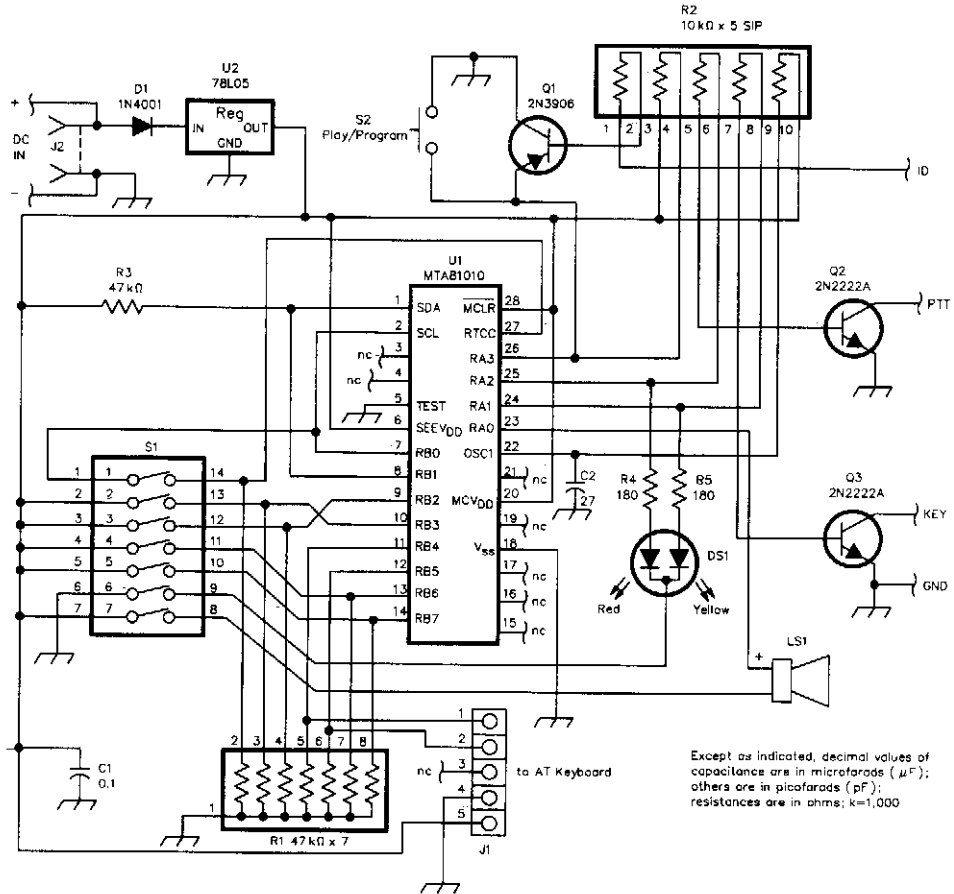
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|-------------|--|------------|--------------------------------|
| R1, R4, R12 | 1 k $\Omega$ ¼ W                         | C1         | 0.01 $\mu$ F disk              |
| R2          | 47 k $\Omega$ ¼ W                        | C2         | 0.001 $\mu$ F disk             |
| R3, R8, R11 | 100 k $\Omega$                           | C3, C4     | 10 $\mu$ F, 25 V electrolytic  |
| R6, R7      | 22 k $\Omega$                            | C5         | 0.047 $\mu$ F poly-film type   |
| R9          | 47 $\Omega$                              | C6         | 1 $\mu$ F, 25 V electrolytic   |
| R10         | 10 $\Omega$                              | C7         | Skipped                        |
| P1          | 100 k $\Omega$ or 500 k $\Omega$ trimpot | C8         | 100 $\mu$ F, 26 V electrolytic |
| P2          | 10 k $\Omega$ trimpot                    | D1, D2     | 1N4148 diode                   |
| Q1          | 2N3904 NPN                               | D3, D4, D5 | 1N4001 1-A diode               |
| Q2          | Tip 41-to-220 NPN                        |            |                                |
| U1          | 4011B CMOS NAND gates                    |            |                                |
| U2          | LM358 dual op amp                        |            |                                |

## ONE-CHIP AFSK GENERATOR



Built around an XR2206 IC, this circuit will generate AFSK signals in the 1000- to 3000-Hz range.

## PROGRAMMABLE CW IDENTIFIER



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms; k=1,000

### S1 Control Settings

| WPM  | 5   | 7.5 | 10  | 13  | 15  | 18  | 20  | 25 |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| S1-1 | off | off | off | off | on  | on  | on  | on |
| S1-2 | off | off | on  | on  | off | off | on  | on |
| S1-3 | off | on  | off | on  | off | on  | off | on |

### TIMER OFF 5 Min 10 Min Continuous

|      |     |     |     |    |
|------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| S1-4 | off | off | on  | on |
| S1-5 | off | on  | off | on |

S1-6—DS1 on/off

S1-7—Speaker on/off

### PC-Board Connections

**ID**—A momentary ground on this terminal causes the IDer to play its message; same as pressing the **PLAY/PROGRAM** pushbutton.

**PTT**—An open-collector output which goes to ground 250 ms before the CW output occurs. This output is used to place radio in transmit mode and is monitored by the red LED.

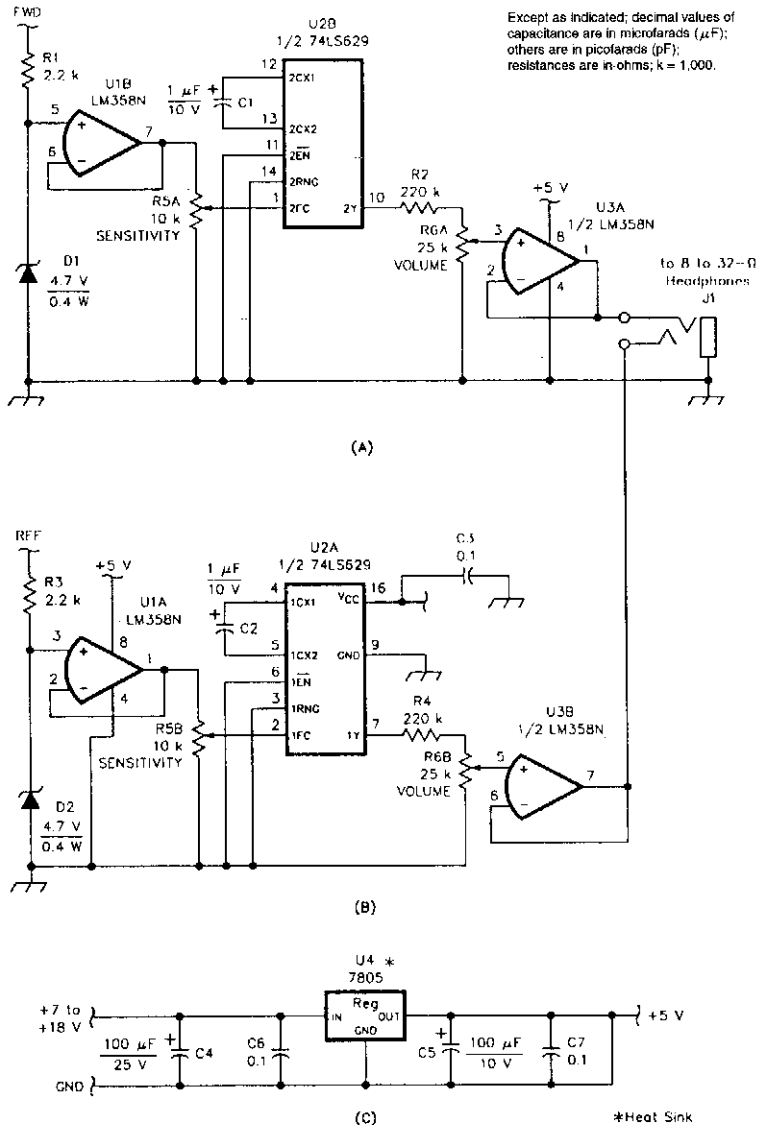
**KEY**—An open-collector output that goes to ground during CW keying. This output is monitored by the speaker and the yellow LED.

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**Fig. 4-7**

The identifier uses an MTA81010 microchip, containing a 1024-bit serial EEPROM and a microcontroller. It runs from a 9-V battery. A standard AT-type keyboard is used to program the desired message. Speed varies from 5 to 25 wpm.

## AUDIBLE SWR DETECTOR ADAPTER

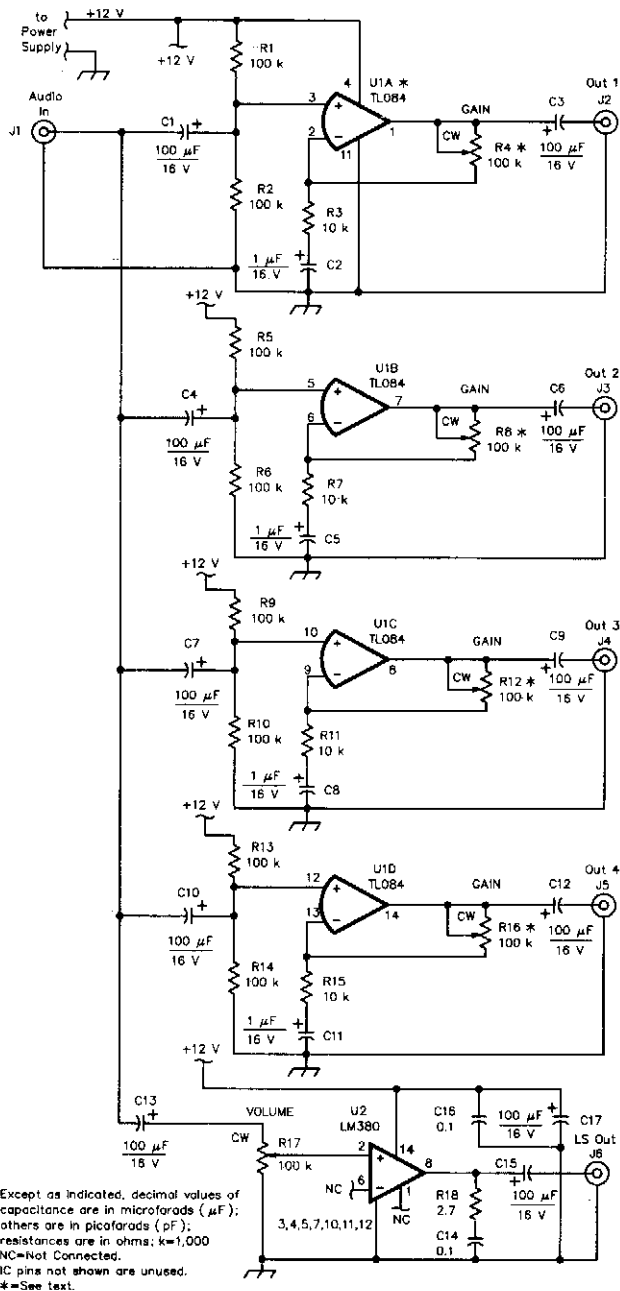


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**Fig. 4-8**

This SWR detector audio adapter is designed specifically for blind or vision-impaired amateurs, but anyone can use it. Instead of using a meter (or meters) to indicate antenna system forward and reflected voltages, this adapter generates two tones with frequencies that are proportional to the respective voltages. The tones are fed to a pair of stereo headphones (the miniature types are ideal) so that one ear hears the forward-voltage tone and the other ear hears the reflected-voltage tone. Thus, tuning up a transmitter is simply a matter of tuning for the highest-pitched tone in the left ear and the lowest-pitched tone in the right ear.

# AUDIO BREAKOUT BOX

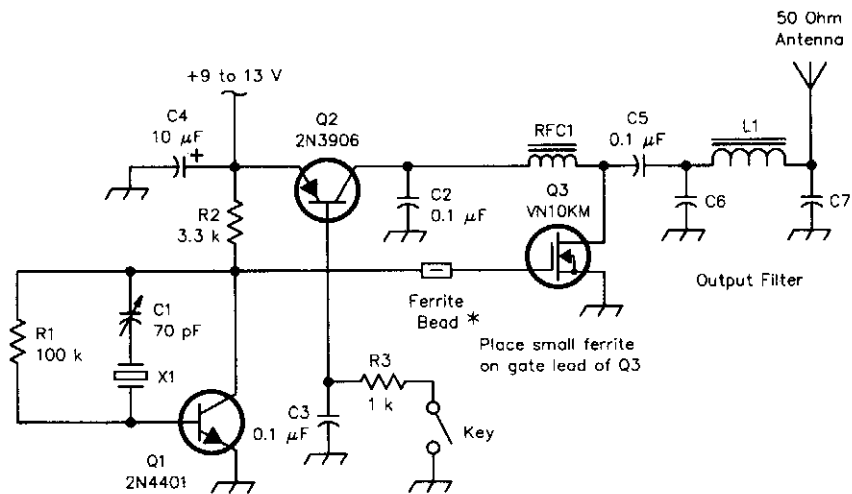


## AUDIO BREAKOUT BOX (Cont.)

In many radio shacks, one receiver audio-output line feeds a multitude of add-ons, such as one or more TNXs, SSTV modems, PC plug-in boards, and, perhaps, speakers. Having to manually plug the audio source from one accessory to another is inconvenient, if not frustrating as well. Overloading the sources by connecting the loads in parallel isn't satisfactory, either.

The audio breakout box takes the audio output from a receiver (or other audio source) and applies it to the inputs of four identical, independent, low-level AF buffer/amplifiers and one high-level (1-W output) AF channel. Each low-level output channel can provide up to 20 dB of gain that's independently adjustable.

## ONE-WATT CW TRANSMITTER



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Fig. 4-10

### C6,C7

820 pF disc ceramic (160 meters)  
 470 pF disc ceramic (80 meters)  
 220 pF disc ceramic (40 meters)  
 150 pF disc ceramic (30 meters)  
 100 pF disc ceramic (20 meters)  
 82 pF disc ceramic (17 meters)

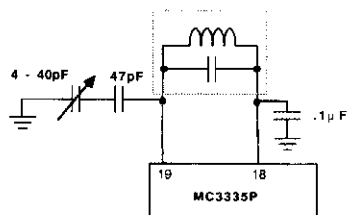
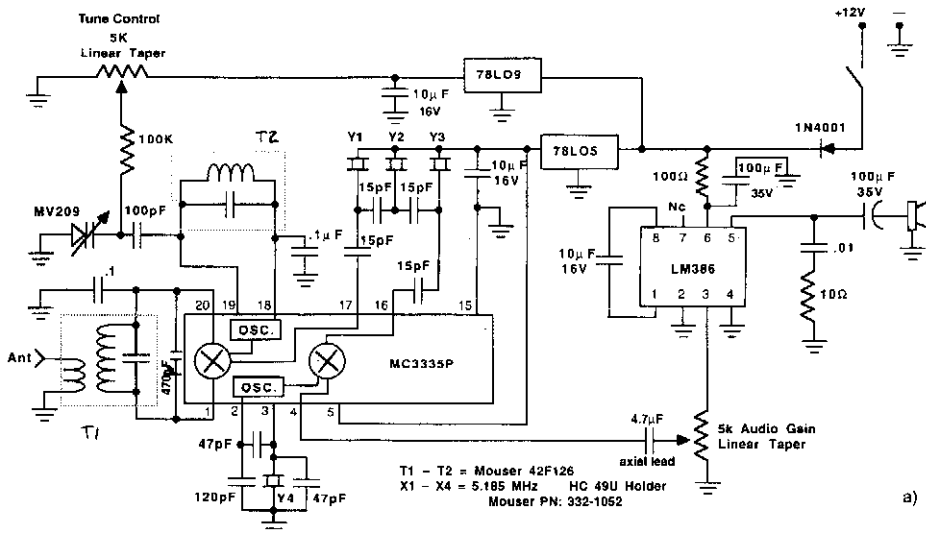
### L1

33 turns, #30, T37-2 (160 meters)  
 23 turns, #30, T37-2 (80 meters)  
 17 turns, #26, T37-2 (40 meters)  
 14 turns, #26, T37-2 (30 meters)  
 12 turns, #26, T37-2 (20 meters)  
 10 turns, #26, T37-2 (17 meters)





## 80-METER SSB RECEIVER



Omit  
VR (9 volt Reg)  
C 10µ F Cap  
R 100K  
VD MV209 Varicap Diode

Change  
C From 100pF NPO to 47pF NPO

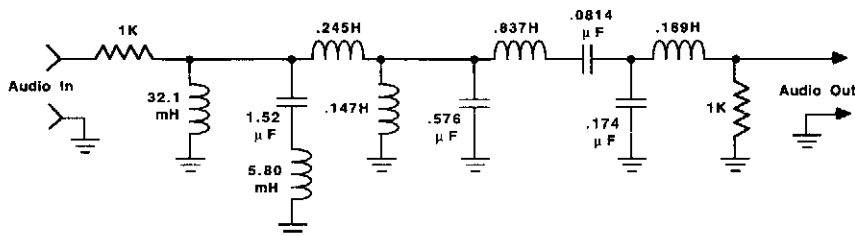
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**Fig. 4-13**

This circuit uses an MC3335P IF chip and features a 3-pole crystal filter made from micro-processor crystals. Tuning is done either with a varactor diode or air-variable capacitor, as shown. Values are for 80 meters.

## CW AUDIO FILTER

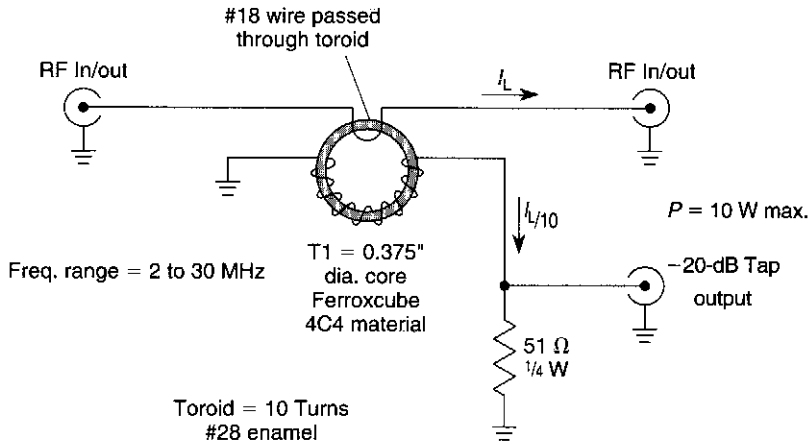


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**Fig. 4-14**

A high-performance passive filter. The center frequency is 700 Hz; -3-dB bandwidth is 200 Hz.

## RF LINE SAMPLER/COUPLER

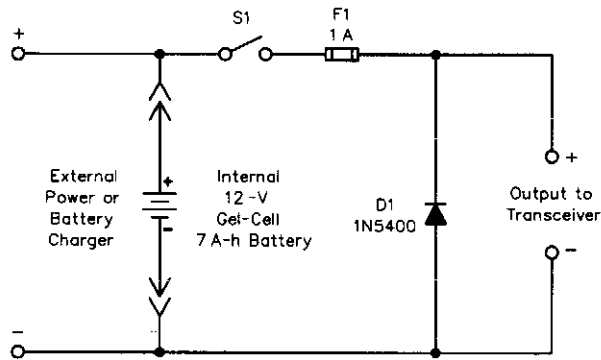


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**Fig. 4-15**

Suitable for RF line sampling, this coupler is useful where an indirect measurement of line current is needed. A 10:1 turn ratio yields a secondary current about  $\frac{1}{10}$  (ideally) of the line current. A 51- $\Omega$  resistor terminates the secondary. Insertion loss in the main line is negligible, < 0.1 dB. For higher power levels, use proportionately larger core for T1.

## BATTERY PACK AND REVERSE POLARITY PROTECTION



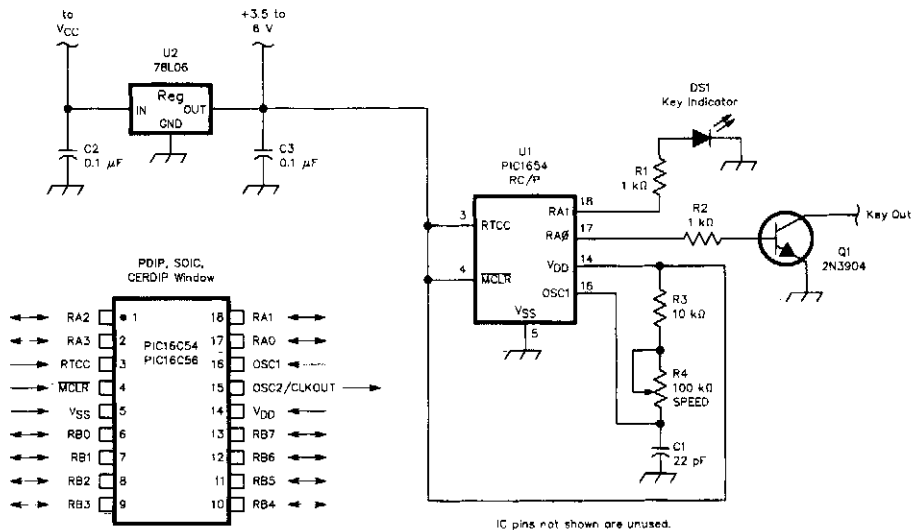
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**Fig. 4-16**

Schematic diagram and parts list for the reverse-polarity protection circuit (optional).

- D1 1N5400 silicon diode
- F1 1-A fast-acting fuse
- S1 SPST rocker switch

## SIMPLE IDENTIFIER



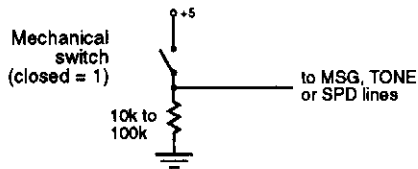
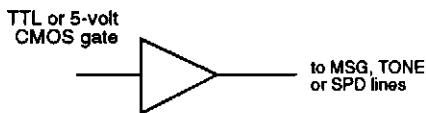
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**Fig. 4-17**

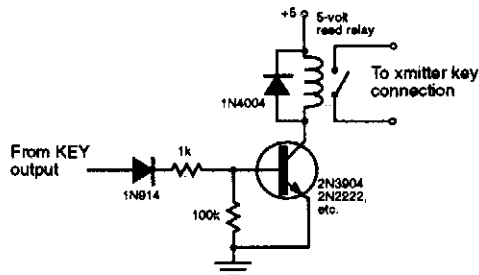
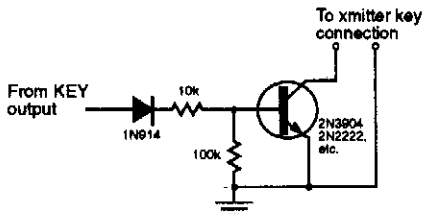
This identifier uses a PIC 16C54 microcontroller which must be programmed for your desired identifier.

## TRANSMIT KEYSER INTERFACE CIRCUITS

### Driving the input lines



### Connecting the keying output

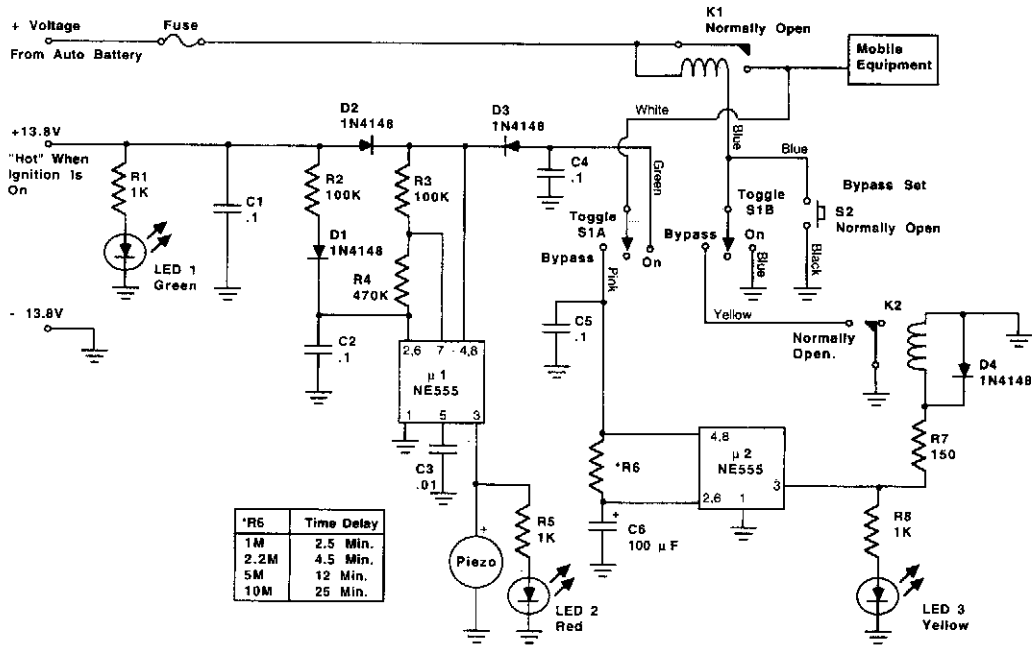


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**Fig. 4-18**

These circuits are for use with Morse keyers and identifiers. They can be used to interface various devices with the identifier circuitry.

## MOBILE RADIO ON-ALARM TIMER



This system will prevent you from accidentally leaving your mobile radio on, draining the battery. LED1 will light when the vehicle's ignition is on, or while the car is running. Switch S1 in the ON position will close relay K1, completing the power circuit to the equipment. If the ignition switch is shut off, and switch S1 is still in the ON position, an alarm (piezo) will begin to beep and LED2 will flash. Returning S1 to the center position will shut everything off. If equipment operation is desired after shutting off the vehicle, you can place switch S1 in the AUTO position and momentarily press S2, a normally open push-button switch. Depressing this switch begins a timing cycle. The length of time that the Mobile-ON alarm/timer operates before shutting everything off can be "programmed" by selecting R6. The approximate time delays are provided in the chart with the schematic. Or, you could change the value of C6. These components control the holding time of relay K1. LED3 will light while the circuit is in AUTO status. Incidentally, you can also cancel the time delay at any time during the delay period by simply switching it off.

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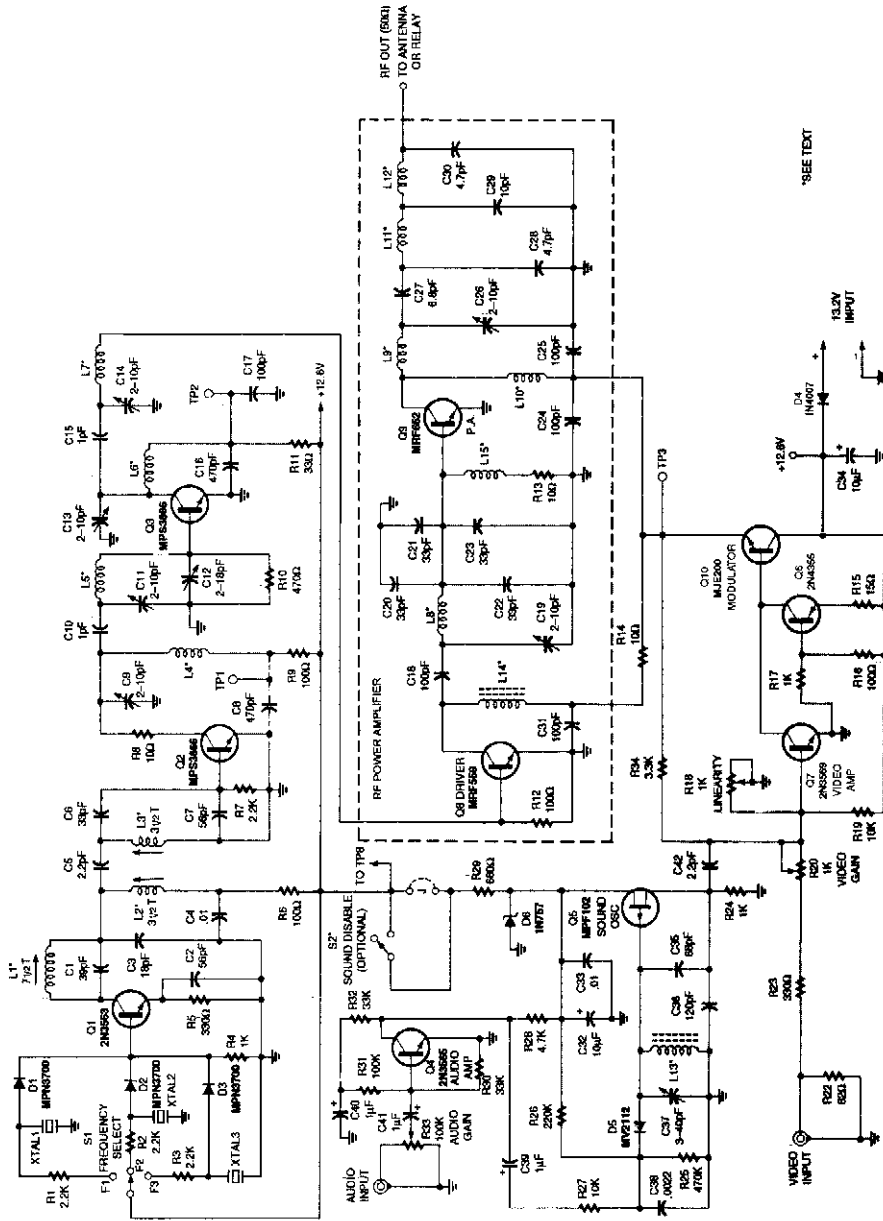
## Amateur Television (ATV) Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

5-W ATV Transmitter for 440 MHz  
5-W ATV Transceiver  
Mini ATV Transmitter  
Dummy Load and Video Detector for Transmitter Tests  
Mast-Mounted ATV Preamp  
Three-Channel 902- to 928-MHz ATV Transmitter  
ATV Downconverter for 902 to 928 MHz  
Three-Channel 420- to 450-MHz ATV Transmitter  
ATV Downconverter for 420 to 450 MHz

# 5-W ATV TRANSMITTER FOR 440 MHz

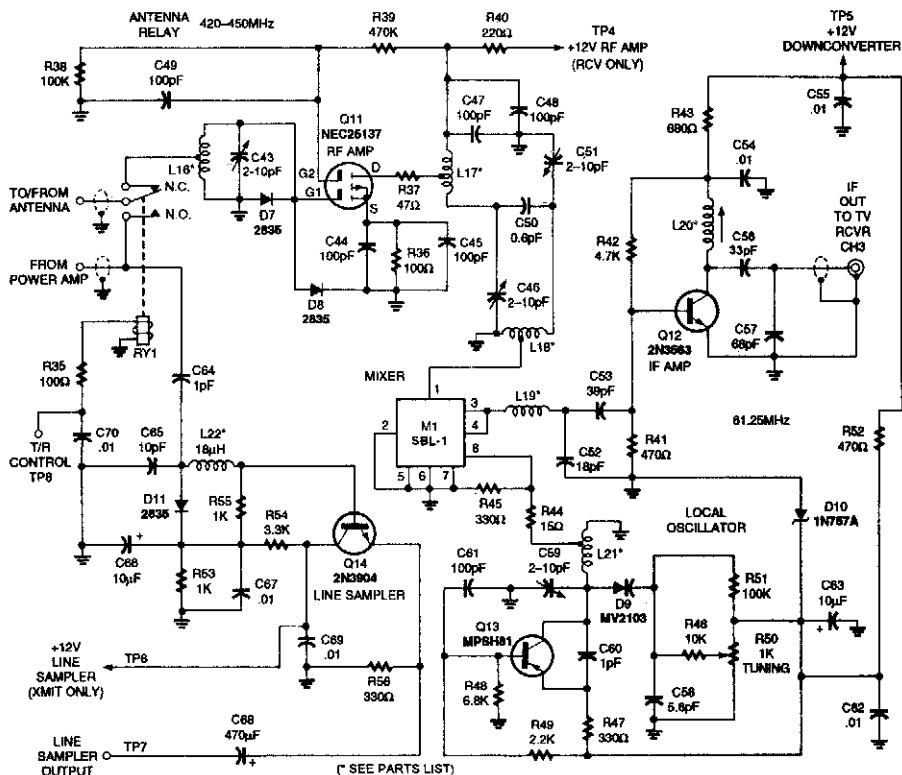


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The circuit will produce typically 6 W RF output on synth tips. A crystal oscillator drives a doubler to produce a 220-MHz output. Another doubler produces 440 MHz to drive the power amplifier. A high-level series modulator provides the video modulation capability. A sound subcarrier is generated using a VCO circuit and combined with the video information. A complete kit of parts, including the PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O.Box 53, Wyangyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

Fig. 5-1

## 5-W ATV TRANSCEIVER



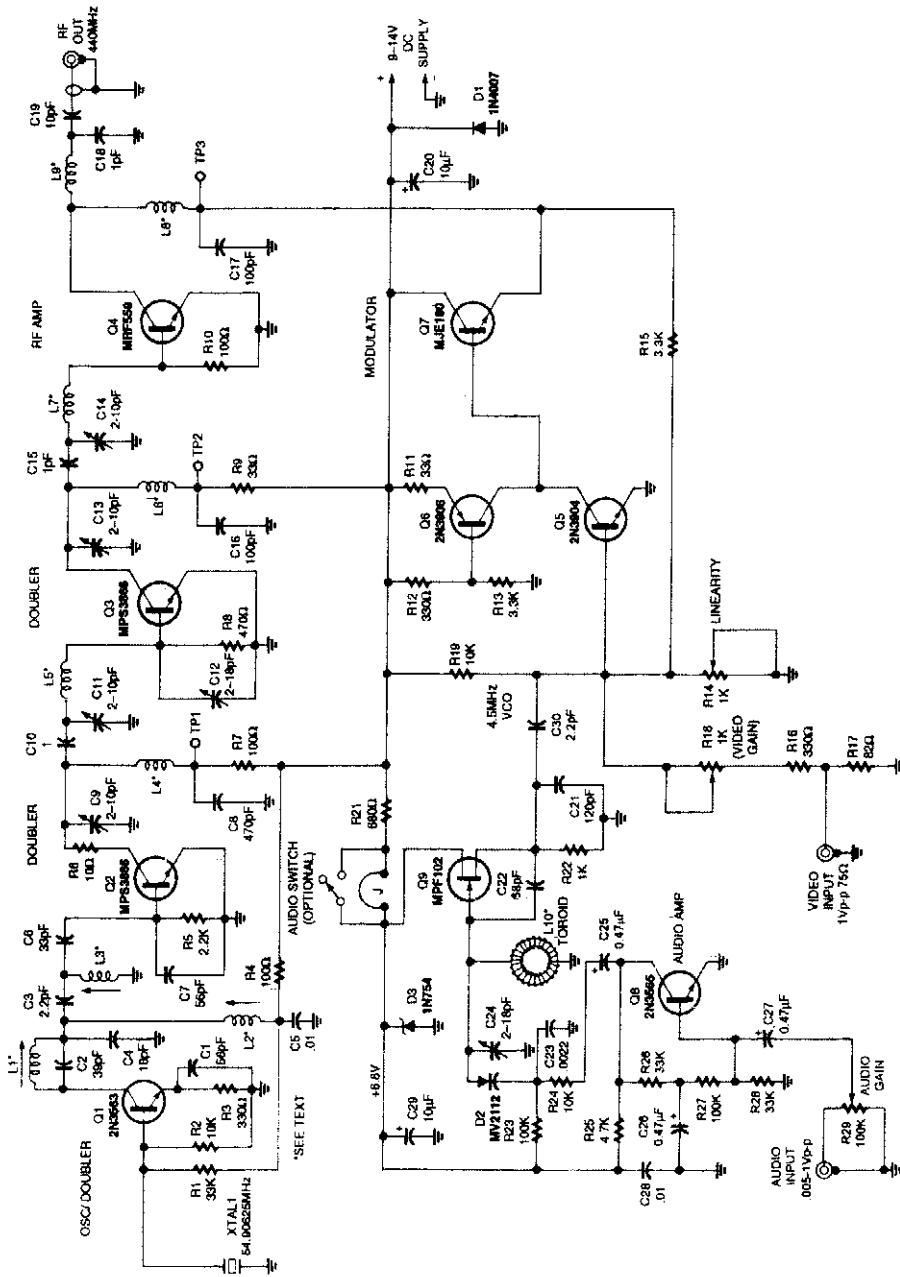
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Fig. 5-2

For the transmitter schematic (part of this transceiver), see entry entitled "5-W ATV Transmitter for 440 MHz, Fig. 5-1." The downconverter portion is shown here.

This transmitter contains both a video and sound section. Five to six watts PEP on synch tips of NTSC video are produced. Three channels are available. Channel switching is via PIN diodes. Power supply voltage is 12 to 14 Vdc. The receiver function is provided with a downconverter circuit and is tunable. A relay is used for T-R switching. A complete kit of parts, including PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O.Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

## MINI ATV TRANSMITTER



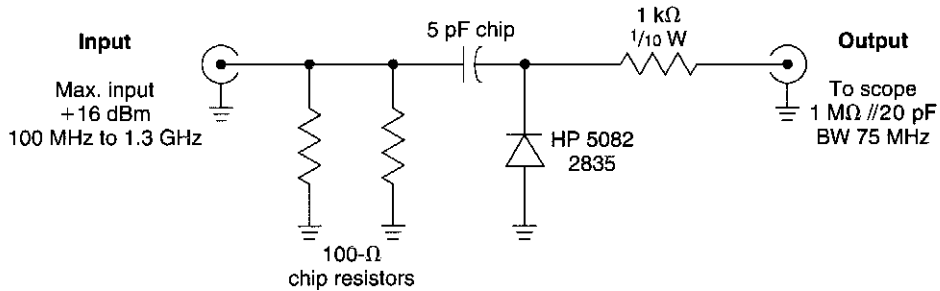
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Fig. 5-3

This low-power NTSC video and sound transmitter is useful for amateur radio, video handie-talkie, R/C and surveillance purposes. A crystal oscillator-multiplier RF power amplifier. Video modulation is via a three-transistor series modulator. The sound subcarrier is generated with a VCO circuit and is combined with the video information. The output is 0.4 to 1.2 W with supply voltages of 9 to 14 volts. A complete kit of parts, including PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, WYkagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.



## DUMMY LOAD AND VIDEO DETECTOR FOR TRANSMITTER TESTS

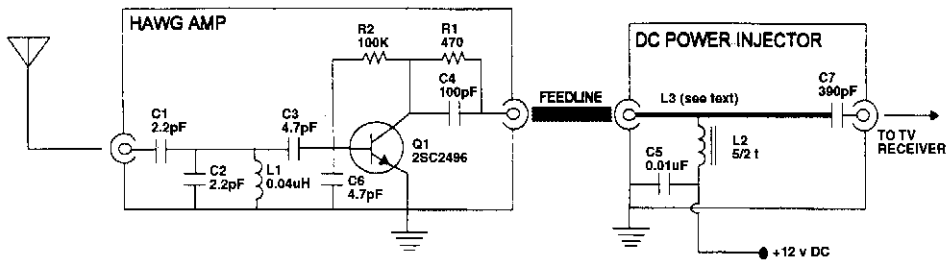


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Fig. 5-4

This circuit is useful as a video modulation monitor for testing low-power video transmitters. For higher power inputs, use a suitable attenuator between the detector and the source. The detector should be connected to scope with as short a cable as possible to preserve video bandwidth.

## MAST-MOUNTED ATV PREAMP

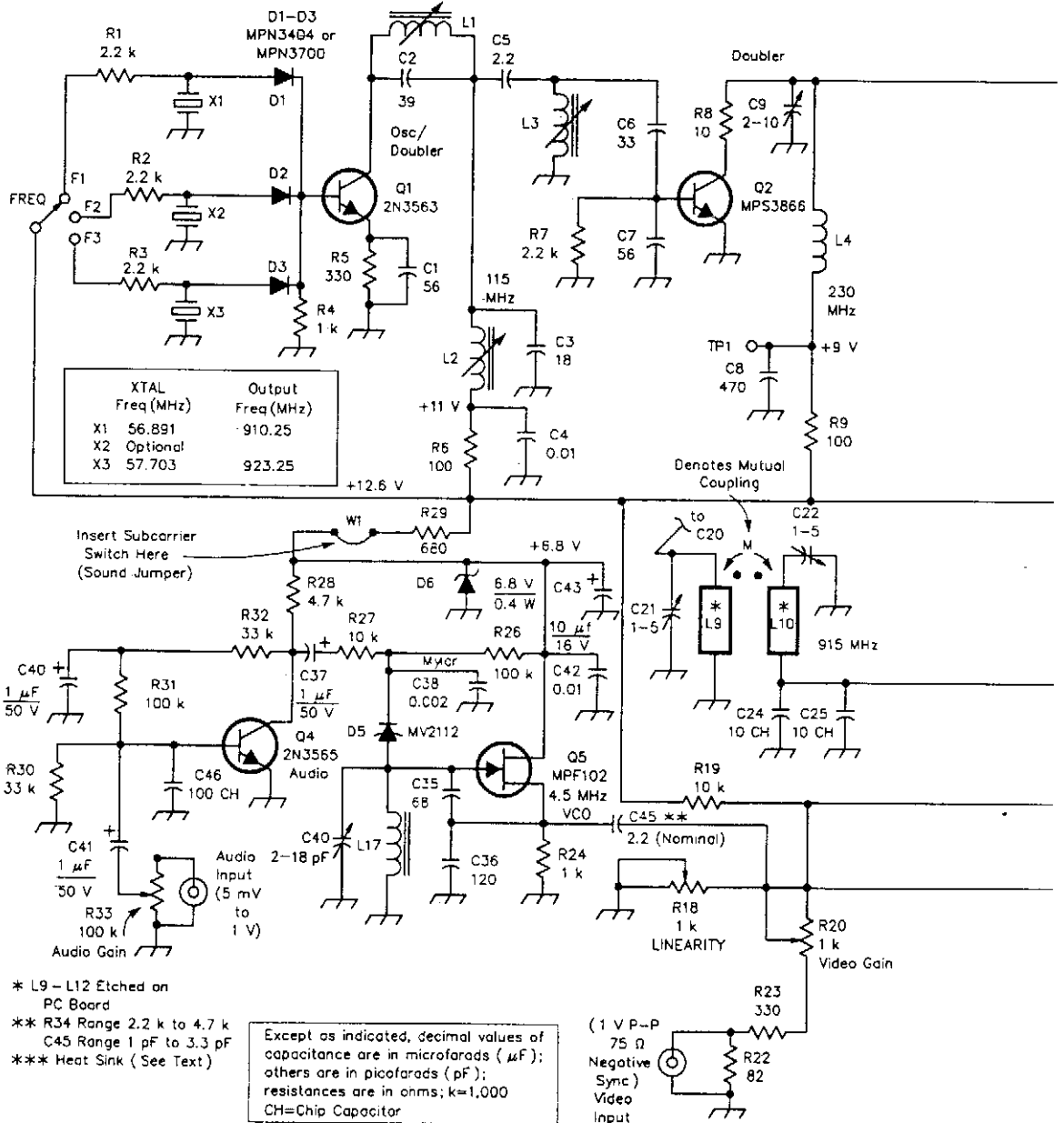


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Fig. 5-5

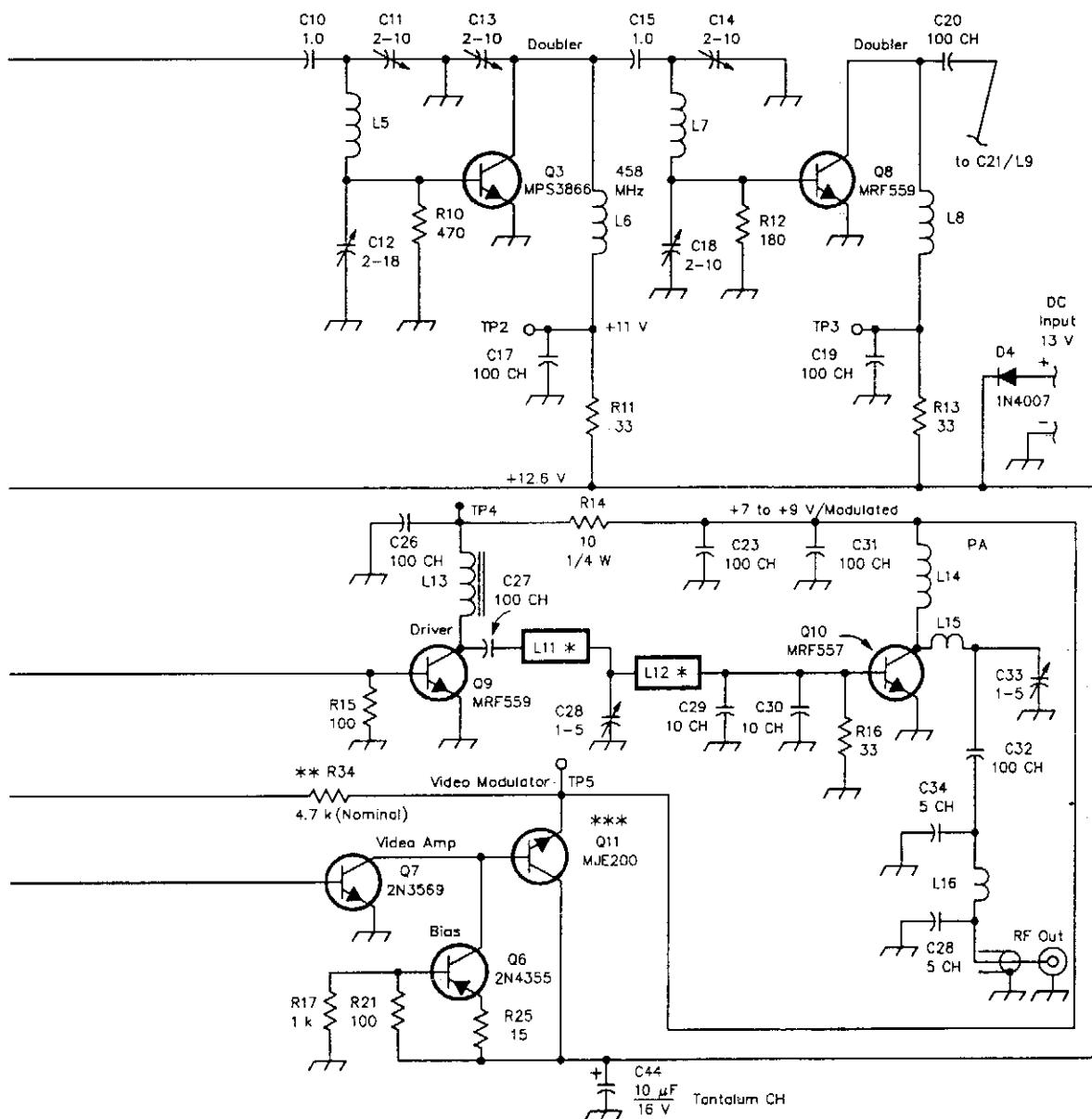
This simple ATV preamp covers the 427- to 439-MHz ATV frequencies and can be mast mounted and dc powered through the feedline.

## THREE-CHANNEL 902- TO 928-MHz ATV TRANSMITTER



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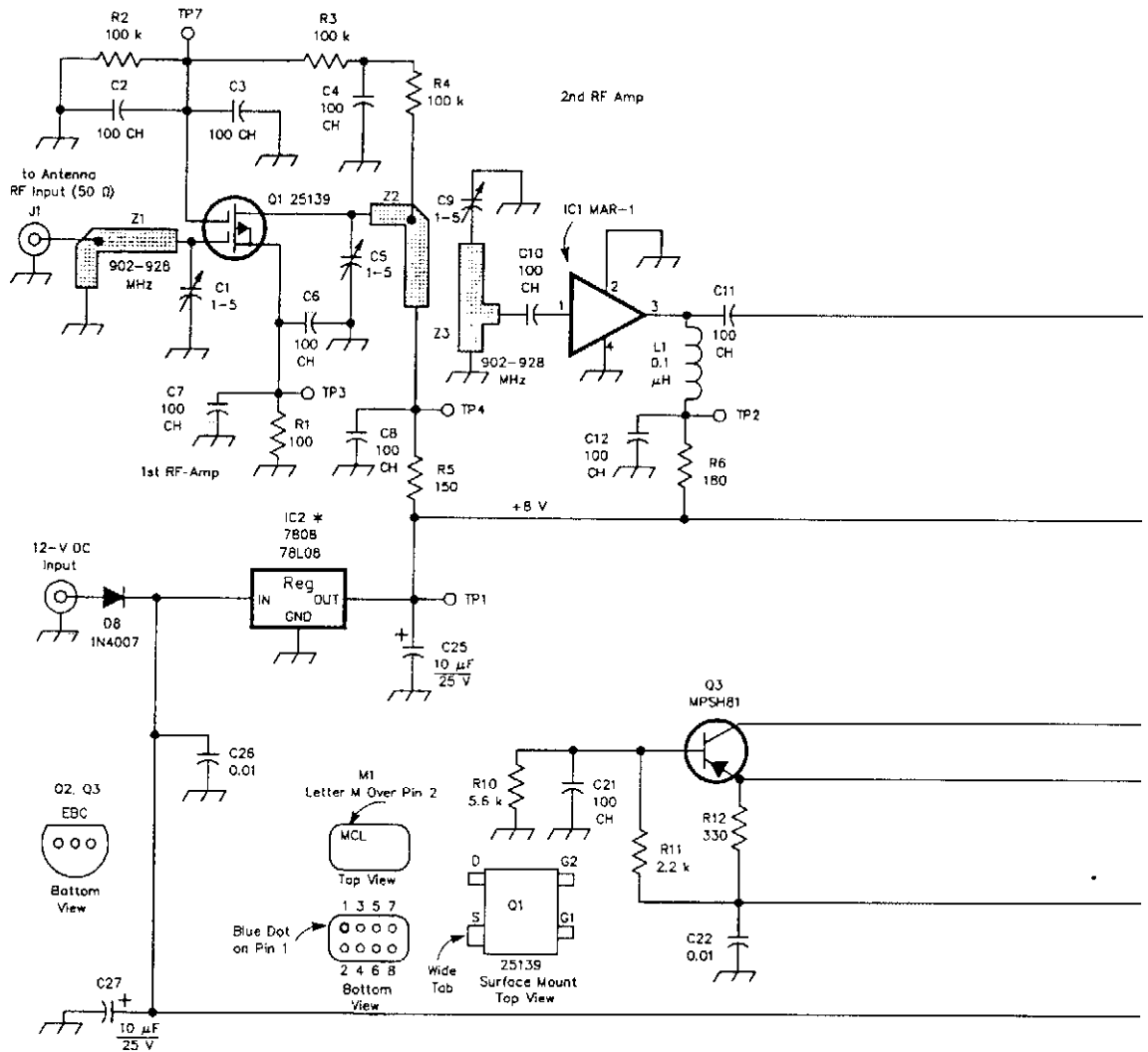
This transmitter is for ATV applications in the 902- to 928-MHz band. It has three crystal-controlled channels, and will accept standard NTSC video input. It also has a 4.5-MHz sound subcarrier. Because this is an AM transmitter, audio can be transmitted as AM on the RF carrier. Simply use the



**Fig. 5-6**

video input. Bandwidth of audio can be restricted to 20 kHz by placing a capacitor with a value of about  $0.002 \mu\text{F}$  across R34. The output is 1.5 to 2 watts PEP into a  $50\text{-}\Omega$  load. A complete kit of parts including PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

## ATV DOWNCONVERTER FOR 902 TO 928 MHz



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This downconverter converts ATV signals in the 902- to 928-MHz range to a 61.25- or 67.25-MHz IF output frequency (CH 3 or CH 4) to enable reception of these signals on a standard VHF TV receiver or monitor. It features a low-noise RF amp feeding a Schottky diode double-balanced mixer, a tunable LO and one IF preamp stage. The RF amplifier is a low-noise dual-gate GASFET that is followed by a second RF stage using an MMIC. Five tuned circuits are used in the RF amplifier. This feeds a packaged Schottky diode mixer assembly for better dynamic range and reduced susceptibility to intermodulation and strong signal areas. The on-board local oscillator (LO) is voltage tuned and if desired can be set up for remote tuning. All necessary circuitry for remote tuning is on board for coax dc and IF feed. This en-

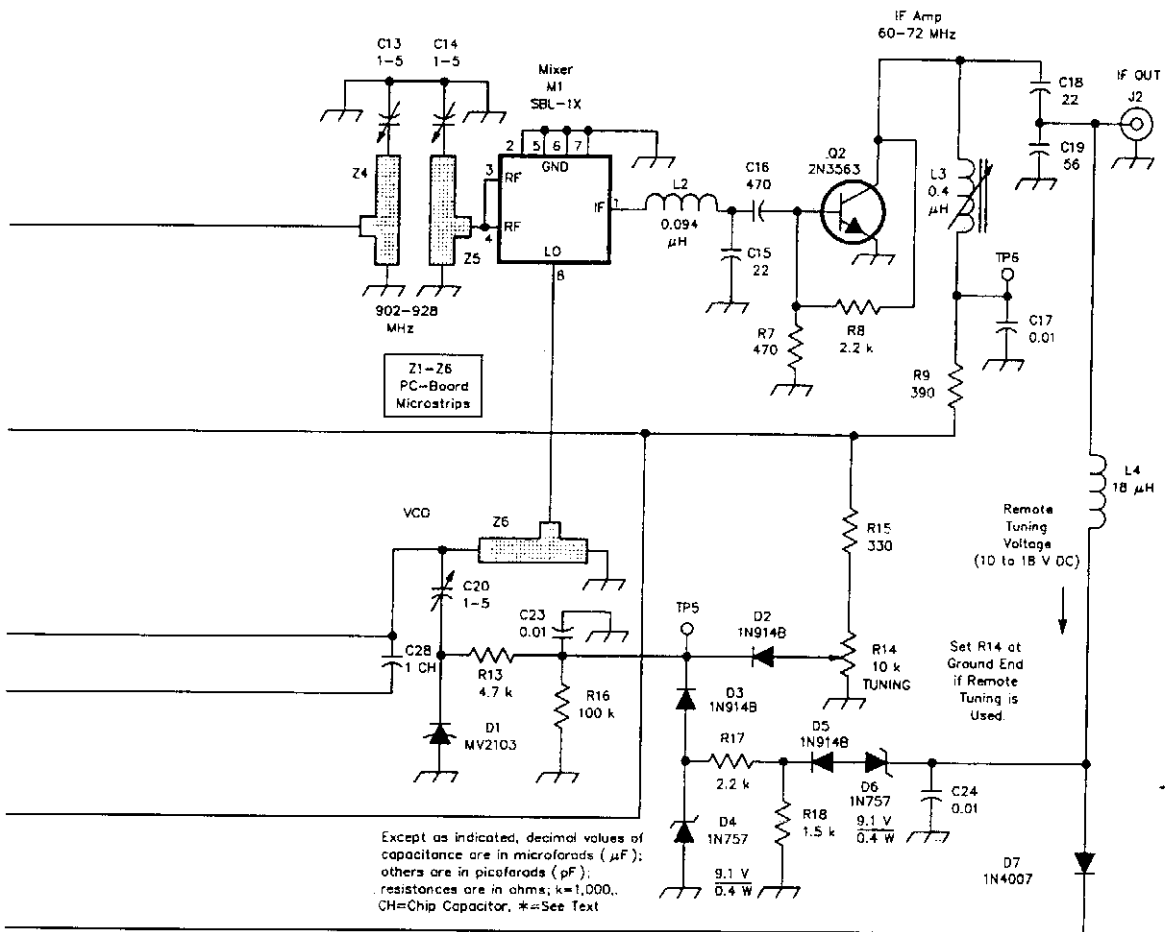
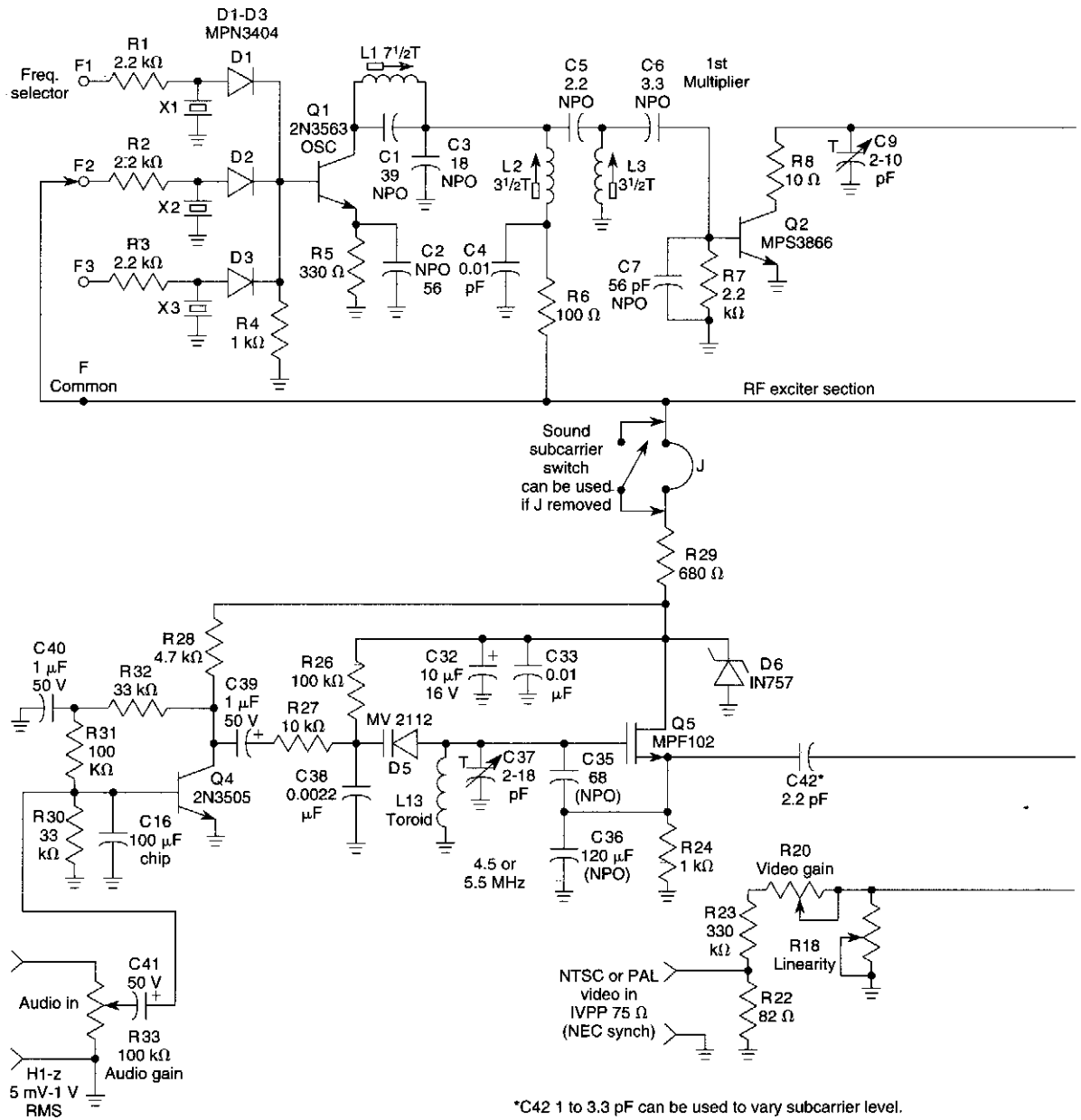


Fig. 5-7

ables the downconverter to be mast mounted to get around feedline losses generally associated with this frequency range. No separate dc feed is necessary because the coax (RG59/U recommended) carries dc power, tuning voltage, and IF signal. A dc block is used at the receiver for the purpose of separating dc voltage supply and the tuning voltage. This allows a cable run of several hundred feet, if needed.

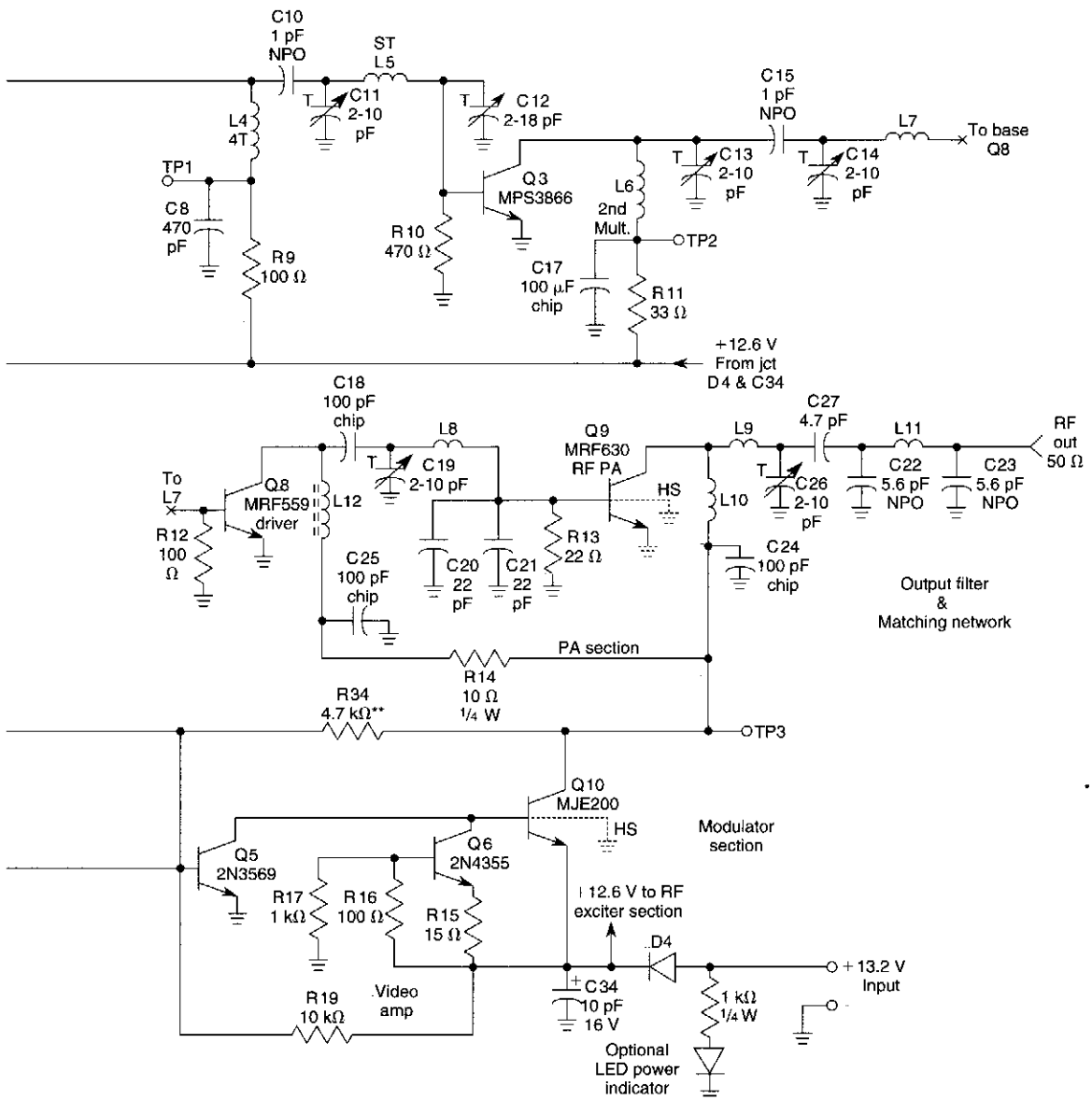
By using this downconverter and transmitter, a physically small 915-MHz ATV station or even a video HT can be constructed because both units are each 2.50 × 4.00 inches × 1.00 high, and can be stacked together. A complete kit of parts, including PC board is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

## THREE-CHANNEL 420- TO 450-MHz ATV TRANSMITTER



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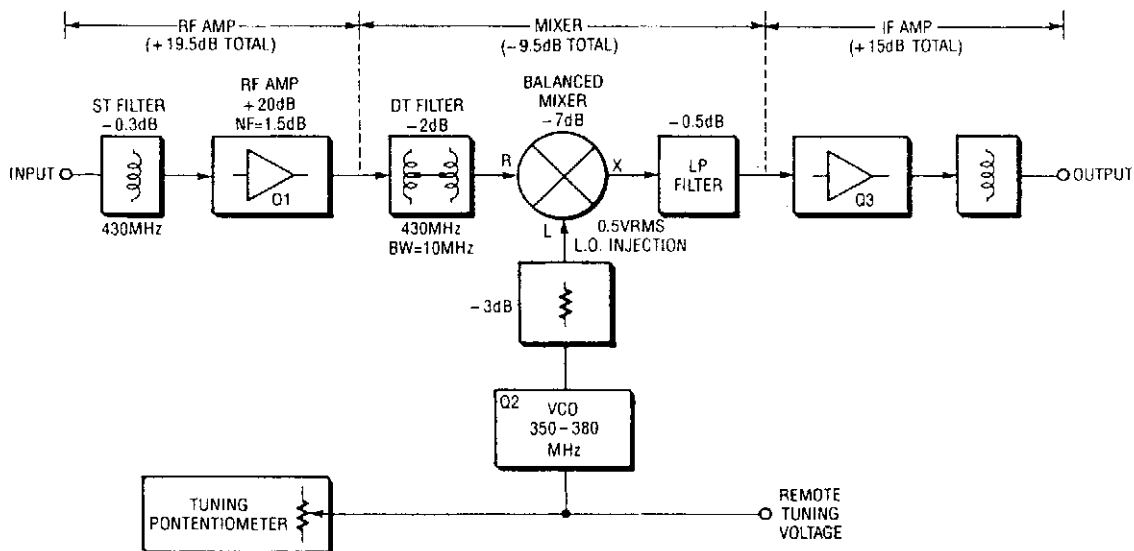
This transmitter is a 2-watt PEP output device for 420- to 450-MHz amateur TV operation. It has three crystal-controlled channels and will accept standard NTSC video input. It also has a 4.5-MHz sound subcarrier capability. Because this transmitter has AM modulation, audio can be transmitted in



**Fig. 5-8**

AM form on the RF carrier by applying audio to the video input. Bandwidth of audio can be restricted to 20 kHz by placing a 0.002- $\mu$ F capacitor across R34. A complete kit of parts, including PC board is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.

## ATV DOWNCONVERTER FOR 420 TO 450 MHz



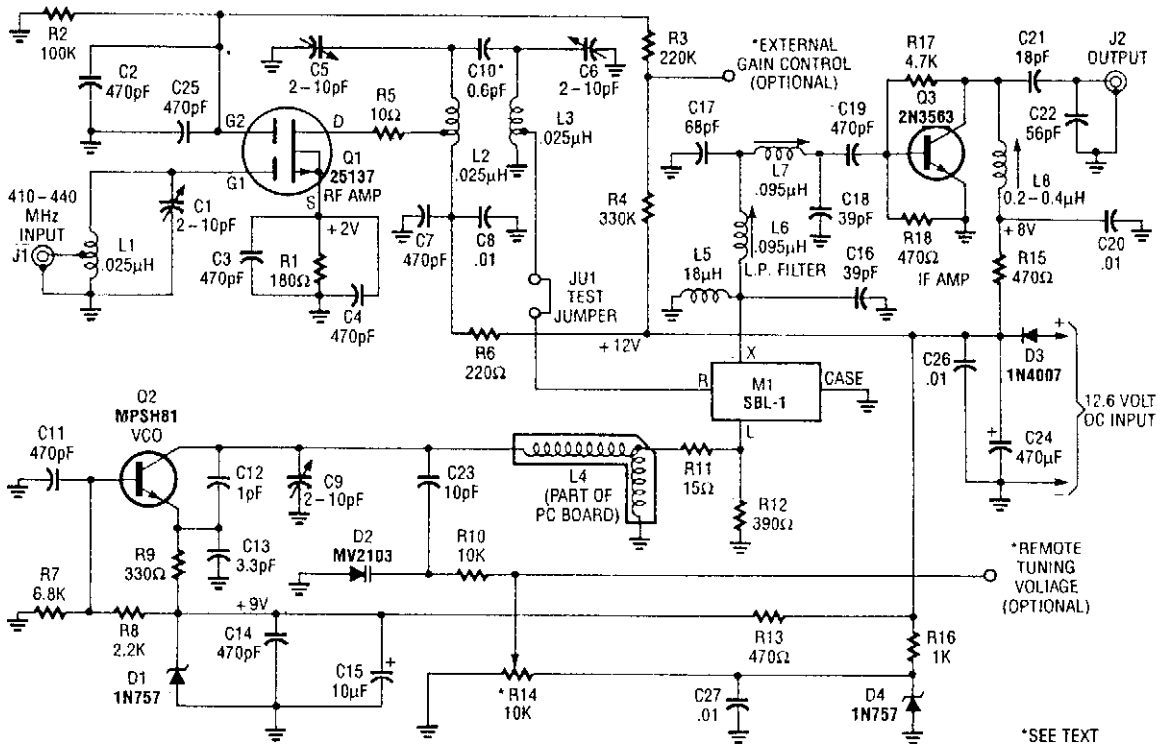
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**Fig. 5-9**

This ATV downconverter converts the 420- to 450-MHz ATV band, which is several channels below the lower limit of the UHF band, to channel 3 or 4 for viewing on virtually any TV. The downconverter has a low-noise preamplifier stage and a double-balanced passive mixer for good performance and a wide dynamic range. That is necessary with today's crowded UHF bands. The converter draws about 27 milliamperes from a 13.2-volt dc source, so it can be used in portable and mobile applications. An extra IF stage gives an overall gain of about 25 dB. A block diagram of the downconverter is also shown. A complete kit of parts, including PC board, is available from North Country Radio, P.O. Box 53, Wykagyl Station, New Rochelle, NY 10804-0053A.



## ATV DOWNCONVERTER FOR 420 TO 450 MHz (Cont.)



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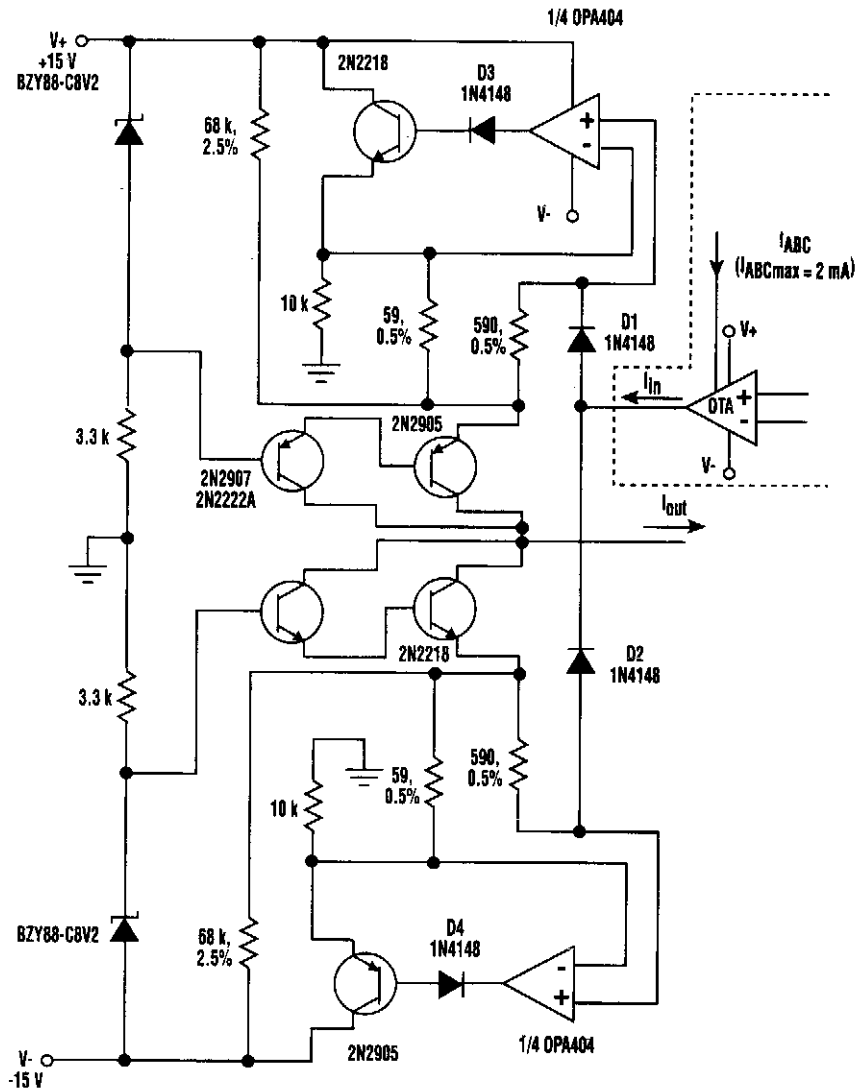
## Amplifier Circuits

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Operational Transconductance Amplifier with Booster  
VCR Head Amplifier Tester  
Lowpass Amplifier  
Highpass Amplifier  
ISD 1000A Record/Playback Circuit  
Remote Amplifier  
Programmable Gain Amplifier  
Programmable Input Amplifier  
Remotely Powered Sensor Amplifier  
Tuned Amplifier  
Difference Amplifier with Wide Input Common-Mode Range  
Bandpass Amplifier  
High-Side Current-Sensing Amplifier  
High-Input Impedance ac Amplifier  
MOSFET Push-Pull Amplifier  
Low-Voltage Microphone Preamp  
Basic Logarithmic Amplifier Using Op Amp  
Crystal Tuned Amplifier

## OPERATIONAL TRANSCONDUCTANCE AMPLIFIER WITH BOOSTER

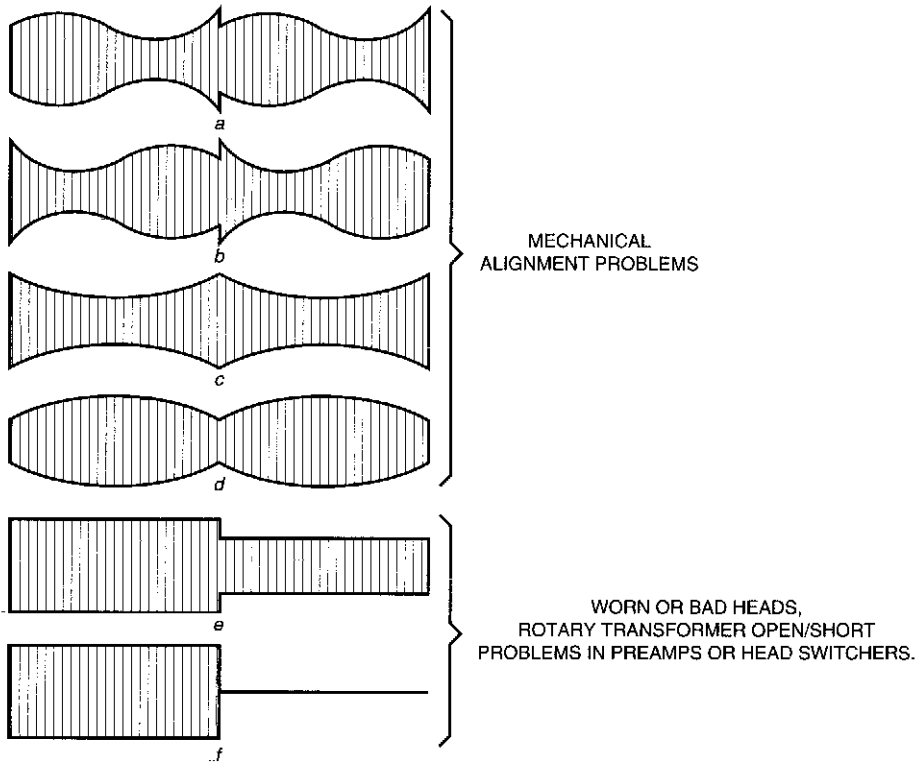


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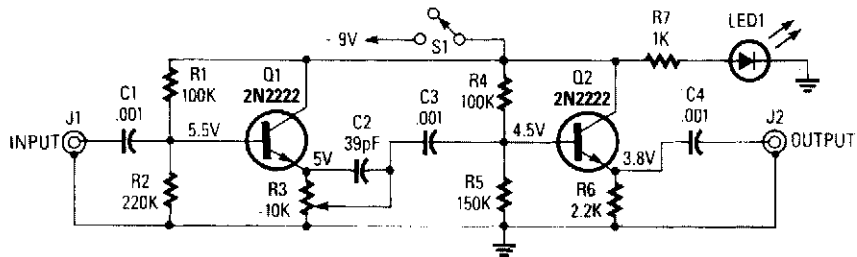
Fig. 6-1

Implementing a bidirectional precision current amplifier in an operational transconductance amplifier (OTA) can boost the OTA's output current. To accomplish this task, two diodes and a complementary stage are added to this otherwise simple design.

## VCR HEAD AMPLIFIER TESTER

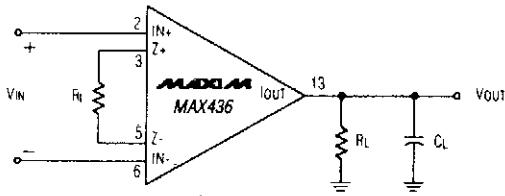


**IMPROPER WAVEFORMS.** Waveforms *a-d* are caused by mechanical misalignment of the tape guides. The waveforms in *e* and *f* indicate proper alignment, but show that there's a problem with either the video heads, pre-amps, or head switcher.



This amplifier enables you to use a signal from a working VCR to test the head amplifiers of a suspected defective VCR. The circuit is basically a video amplifier.

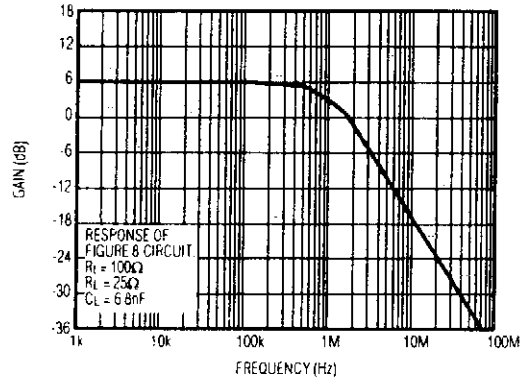
## LOWPASS AMPLIFIER



$$\text{POLE FREQUENCY} = F_p = \frac{1}{2\pi R_L C_L}$$

$$\text{PASSBAND GAIN} = K \left( \frac{R_f}{R_f} \right)$$

Lowpass Amplifier

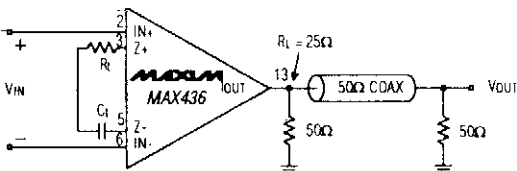


Lowpass Amplifier Gain vs. Frequency

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Fig. 6-3

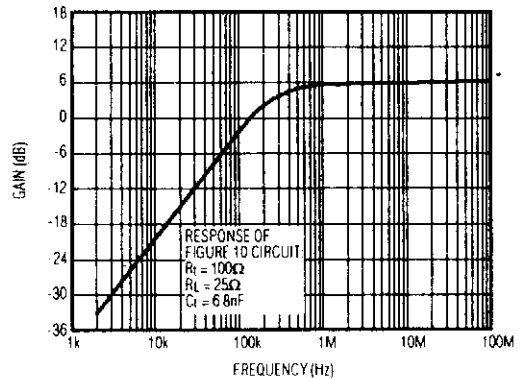
## HIGHPASS AMPLIFIER



$$\text{CORNER FREQUENCY} = F_c = \frac{1}{(2\pi) (R_f) (C_f)}$$

$$\text{PASSBAND GAIN} = K \left( \frac{R_f}{R_f} \right)$$

Highpass Amplifier

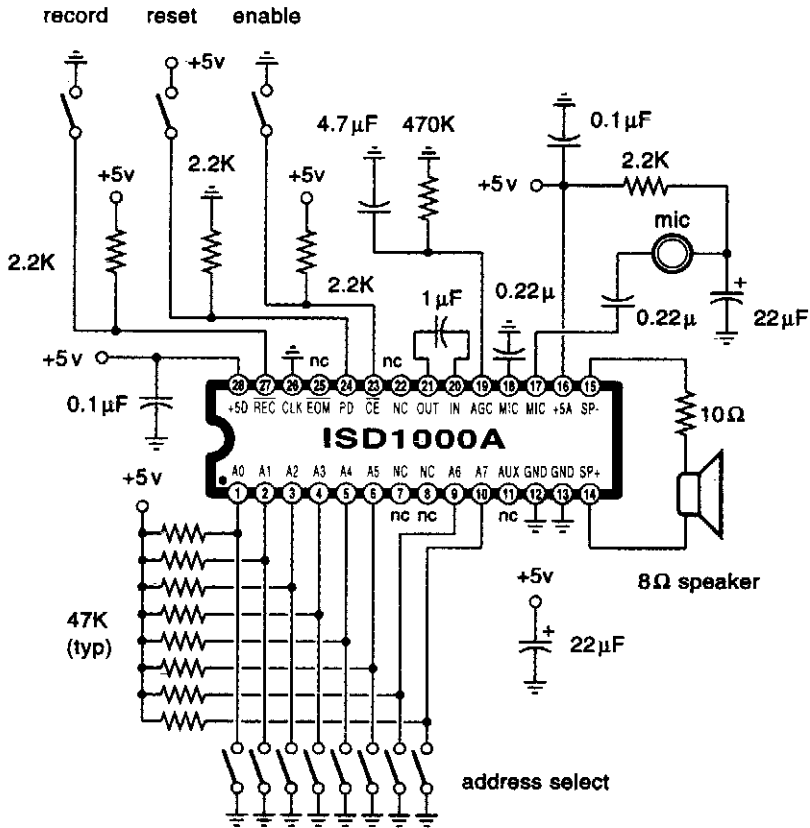


Highpass Amplifier Gain vs. Frequency

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Fig. 6-4

## ISD 1000A RECORD/PLAYBACK CIRCUIT

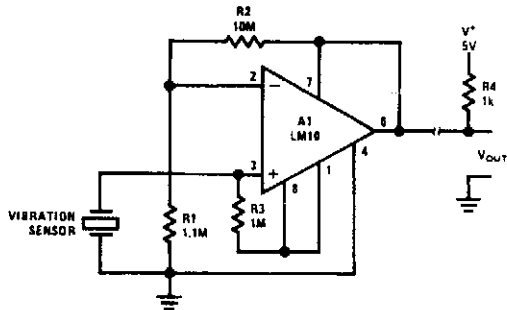


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*Fig. 6-5*

This circuit uses the Information Storage Devices ISD1000A chip (Radio Shack P/N 276-1325).

## REMOTE AMPLIFIER



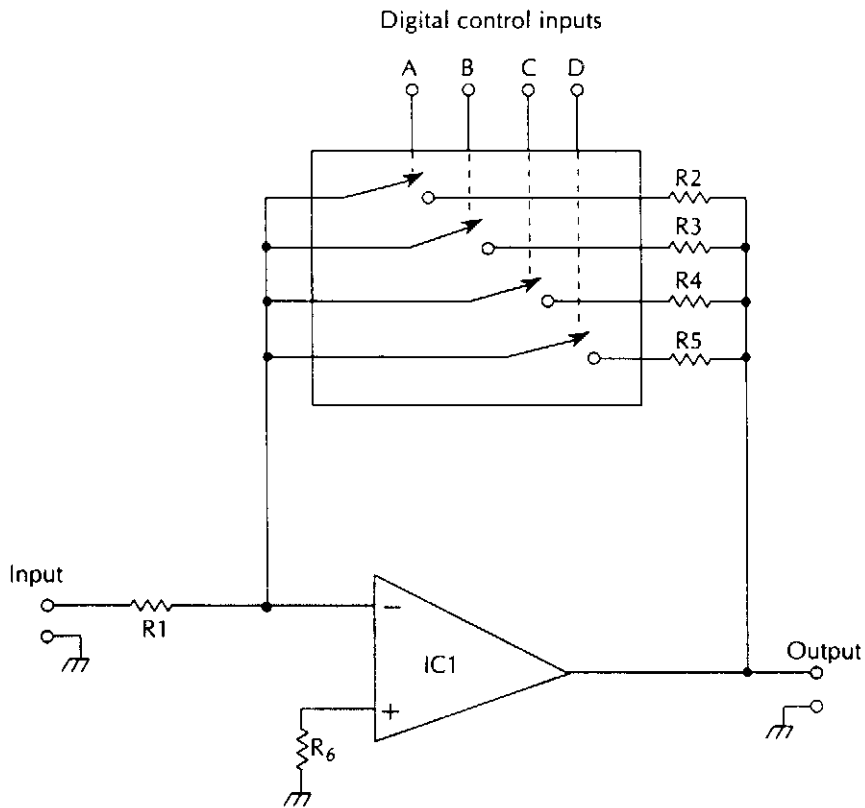
Useful for transducers and such where a single two-wire pair are the only leads available.

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*Fig. 6-6*

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## PROGRAMMABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER



AMPLIFIERS, WAVEFORM GENERATORS & OTHER LOW-COST IC PROJECTS

Fig. 6-7

The gain of this amplifier is  $-R_f/R_1$  where  $R_f$  = effective value of resistance selected by the digital R1 inputs.

- IC1 op amp
- IC2 CD4066 quad bilateral switch
- R1 1-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor
- R2 10-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor
- R3 4.7-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor
- R4 2.2-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor
- R5 1-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor
- R6 2.2-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor

## PROGRAMMABLE INPUT AMPLIFIER

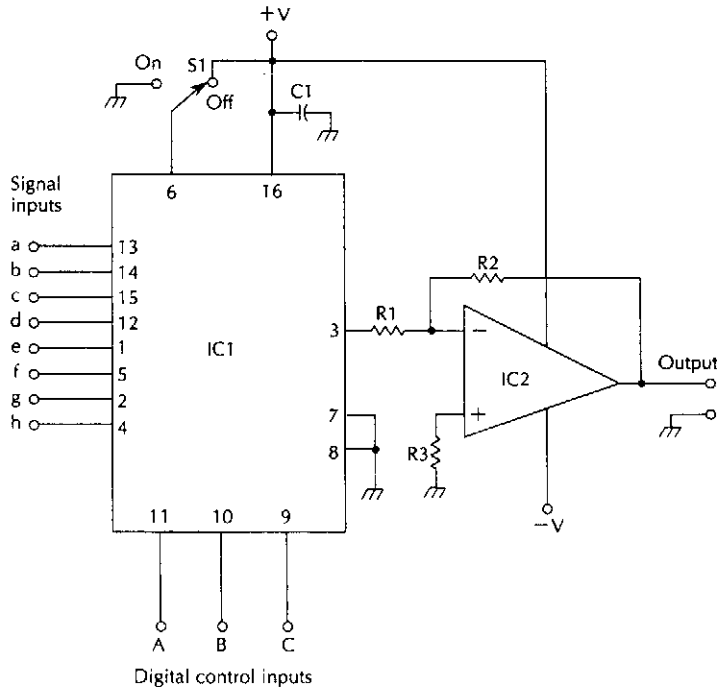


Fig. 6-8

### AMPLIFIERS, WAVEFORM GENERATORS & OTHER LOW-COST IC PROJECTS

This amplifier has eight inputs selectable digitally.

|     |                              |    |                                 |
|-----|------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| IC1 | CD4051 SP8T bilateral switch | R1 | 10-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor |
| IC2 | op amp to suit application   | R2 | 22-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor |
| C1  | 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor       | R3 | 18-k $\Omega$ , ¼-W 5% resistor |
| S1  | SPST switch                  |    |                                 |

## REMOTELY POWERED SENSOR AMPLIFIER

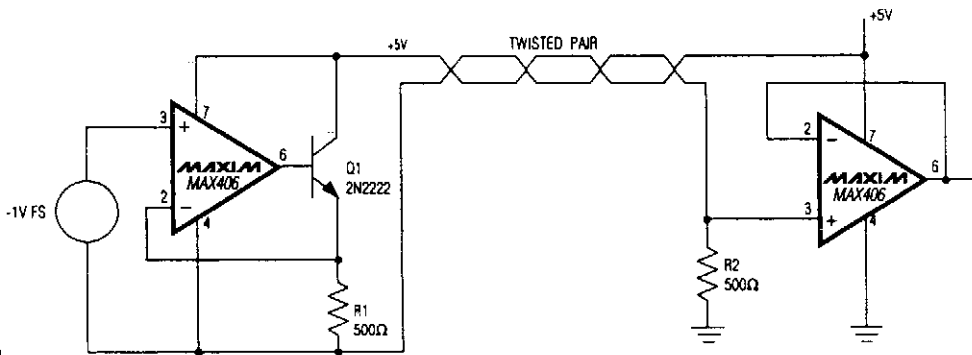
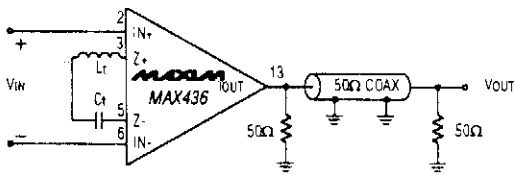


Fig. 6-9

For remote sensor applications, this circuit enables use of a single twisted pair.



## TUNED AMPLIFIER



HIGH CORNER FREQUENCY =  $F_H = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L_t C_t}}$   
 Q IS A FUNCTION OF PARASITICS OF  $L_t$  AND  $C_t$

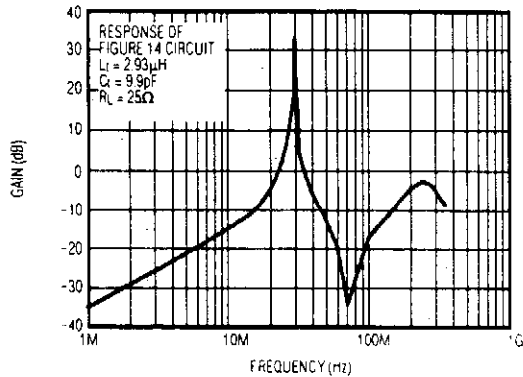


Figure A Tuned Amplifier

Figure B Tuned Amplifier Gain vs. Frequency

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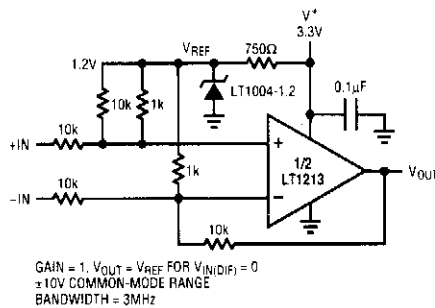
Fig. 6-10

This circuit is a tuned amplifier circuit, tuned to the resonant frequency of the LC transconductance network:

$$F_c = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L_t C_t}}$$

The impedance of the transconductance network is a minimum at the resonant frequency, providing maximum amplifier gain at that frequency. The  $Q$  of the amplifier is a function of the parasitic components associated with the LC network. The graph is the frequency response of the circuit, with  $L_t = 2.93 \mu\text{H}$  and  $C_t = 9.9 \text{ pF}$ .

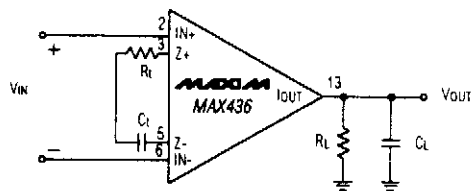
## DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER WITH WIDE INPUT COMMON-MODE RANGE



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Fig. 6-11

## BANDPASS AMPLIFIER



$$\text{LOW CORNER FREQUENCY} = F_L = \frac{1}{(2\pi)(R_t)(C_t)}$$

$$\text{POLE FREQUENCY} = F_P = \frac{1}{(2\pi)(R_L)(C_L)}$$

$$\text{PASSBAND GAIN} = K \left( \frac{R_L}{R_t} \right)$$

Figure A Bandpass Amplifier

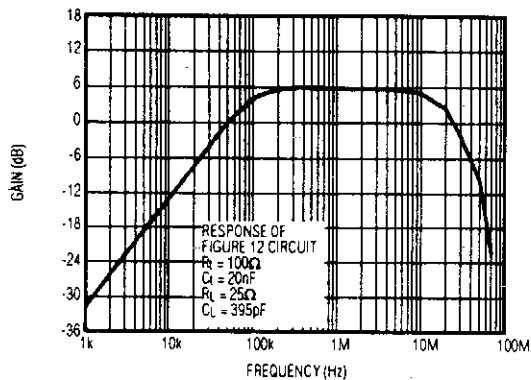


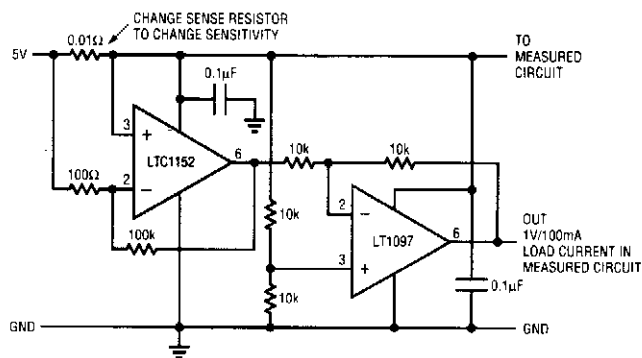
Figure B

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Fig. 6-12

The circuit A is a bandpass amplifier, with the low corner frequency set by the impedance of the transconductance network. The high corner frequency is set by the impedance of the RC network at the amplifier output. The passband gain is  $(k) \times (R_L/R_t)$ . Figure B is a plot of the circuit in Figure A, with  $R_t = 100 \Omega$ ,  $C_t = 20 \text{ nF}$ ,  $R_L = 25 \Omega$ , and  $C_L = 395 \text{ pF}$ .

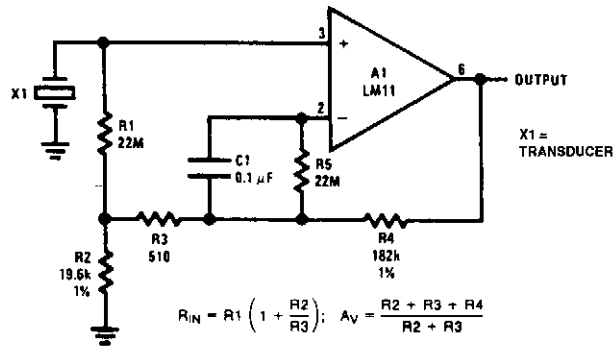
## HIGH-SIDE CURRENT-SENSING AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 6-13

## HIGH INPUT IMPEDANCE ac AMPLIFIER



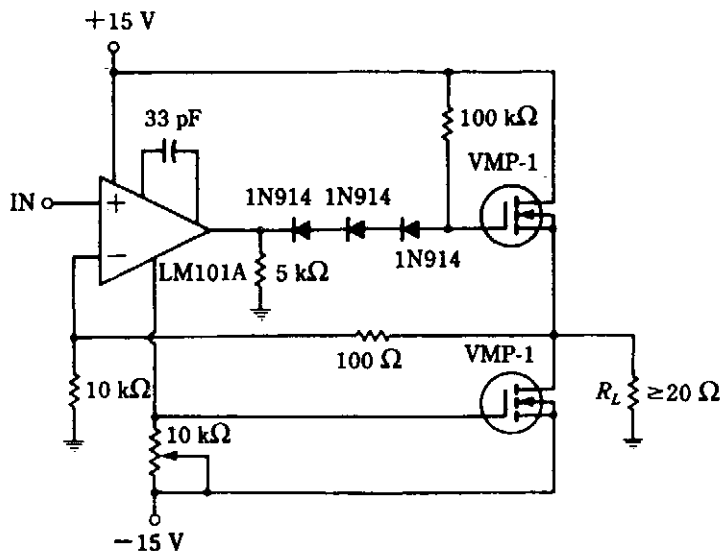
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Fig. 6-14

This figure shows an op amp used as an ac amplifier. It is unusual in that dc bootstrapping is used to obtain high input resistance without requiring high-value resistors. In theory, this increases the output offset because the op amp offset voltage is multiplied by the resistance boost.

But when conventional resistor values are used, it is practical to include R5 to eliminate bias-current error. This gives less output offset than if a single, large resistor were used. C1 is included to reduce noise.

## MOSFET PUSH-PULL AMPLIFIER

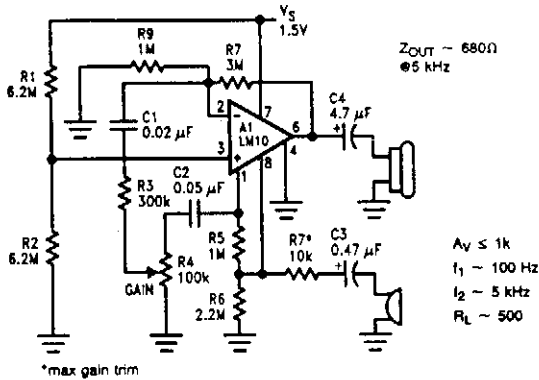


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Fig. 6-15

This amplifier can be used for audio or as a driver for inverter service.

## LOW-VOLTAGE MICROPHONE PREAMP



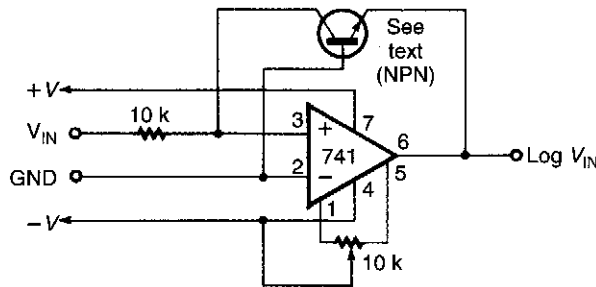
A microphone amplifier is shown. The reference, with a 500-kHz unity-gain bandwidth, is used as a preamplifier with a gain of 100. Its output is fed through a gain-control potentiometer to the op amp, which is connected for a gain of 10. The combination gives a 60-dB gain with a 10-kHz bandwidth, unloaded, and 5 kHz loaded at 500  $\Omega$ . Input impedance is 10 k $\Omega$ .

Potentially, using the reference as a preamplifier in this fashion can cause excess noise. However, because the reference voltage is low, the noise contribution, which adds root-mean-square, is likewise low. The input noise voltage in this connection is 440-500 nV/Hz, about equal to that of the op amp.

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Fig. 6-16

## BASIC LOGARITHMIC AMPLIFIER USING OP AMP

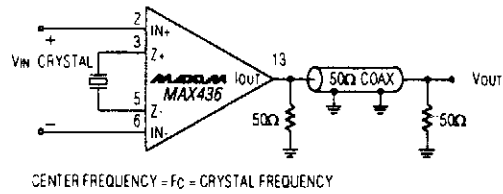


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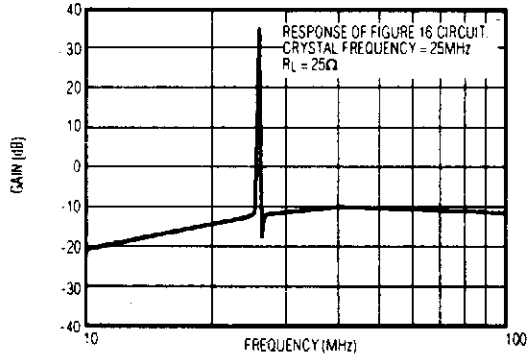
Fig. 6-17

This logarithmic amplifier uses a single op amp. The current in the feedback loop of the op amp is equal to the current flow at the input of the op amp.

## CRYSTAL TUNED AMPLIFIER



*Crystal Tuned Amplifier*



*Crystal Tuned Amplifier Gain vs. Frequency*

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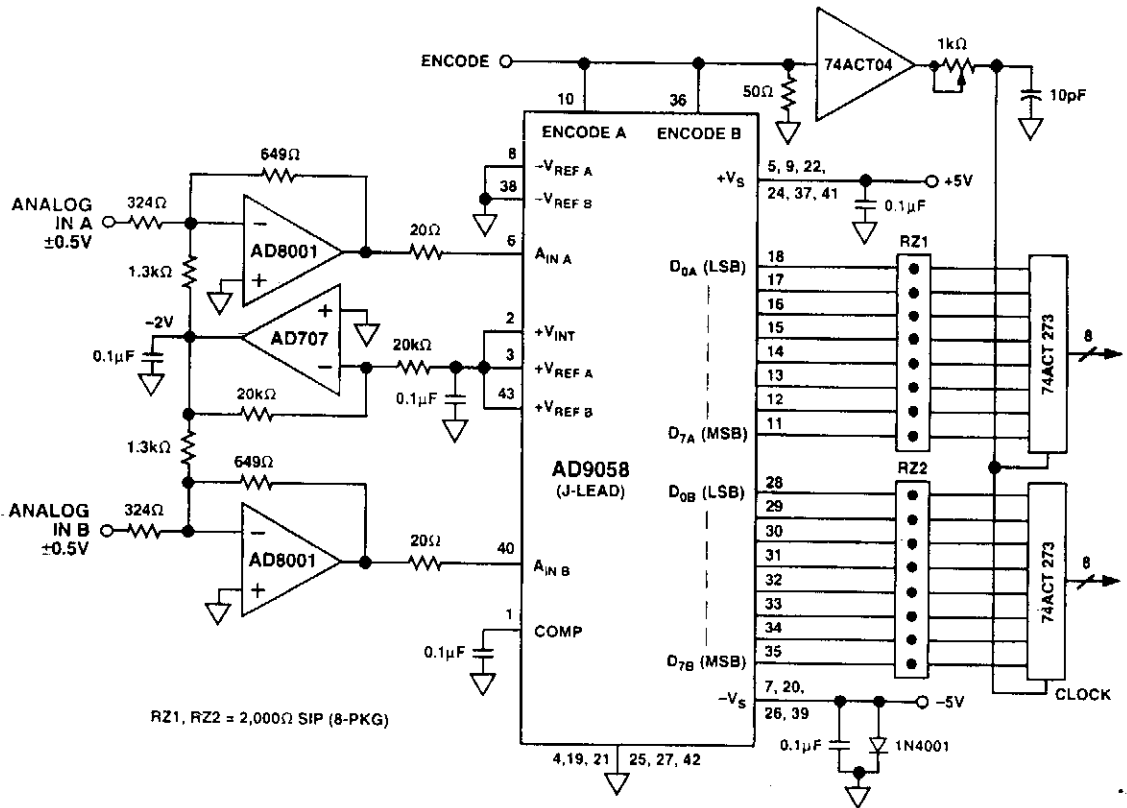
## A/D Converter Circuits

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High-Speed A/D Converter System  
A/D Converter for PCs

## HIGH-SPEED A/D CONVERTER SYSTEM

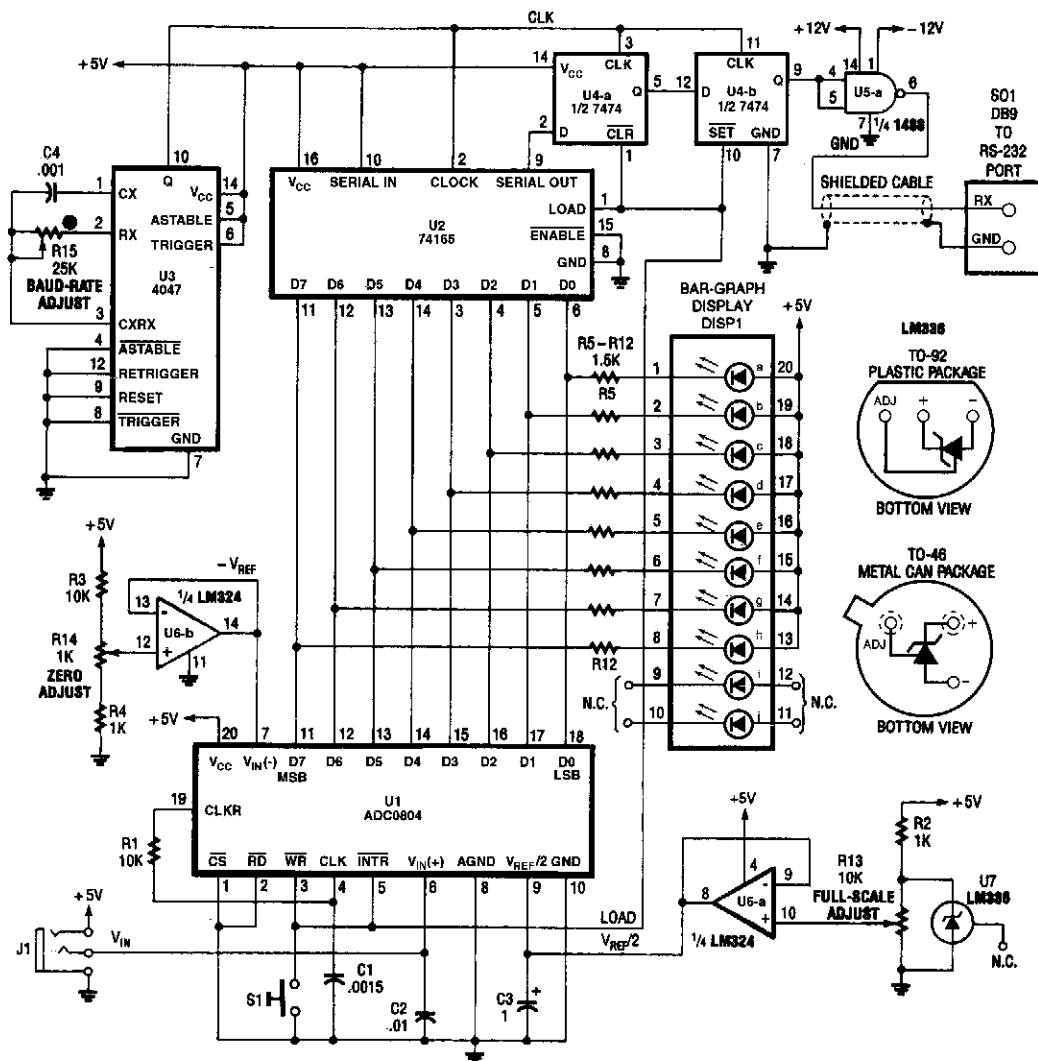


ANALOG DEVICES

**Fig. 7-1**

The AD8001 is well suited for driving high-speed analog-to-digital converters, such as the AD9058. The AD9058 is a dual 8-bit 50 Msp/s ADC. In the circuit shown, there are two AD8001s driving the inputs of the AD9058 which are configured for 0- to +2-V ranges. Bipolar input signals are buffered, amplified ( $-2\times$ ), and offset (by +1.0 V) into the proper input range of the ADC. Using the AD9058's internal +2-V reference connected to both ADCs (as shown) reduces the number of external components required to create a complete data acquisition system. The 20- $\Omega$  resistors in series with ADC input are used to help the AD8001 drive the 10-pF ADC input capacitance. The two AD8001s only add 100 mW to the power consumption while not limiting the performance of the circuit.

## A/D CONVERTER FOR PCs



An ADC0804 A/D converter converts analog data to digital. This is fed to a 74165 8-bit shift register and converted to serial data. U3 provides a baud-rate clock. U4A and U4B are used to generate start and stop bits needed at beginning and end of each data word.



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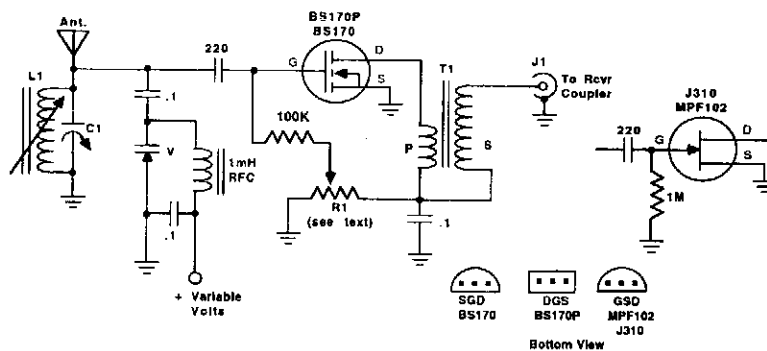
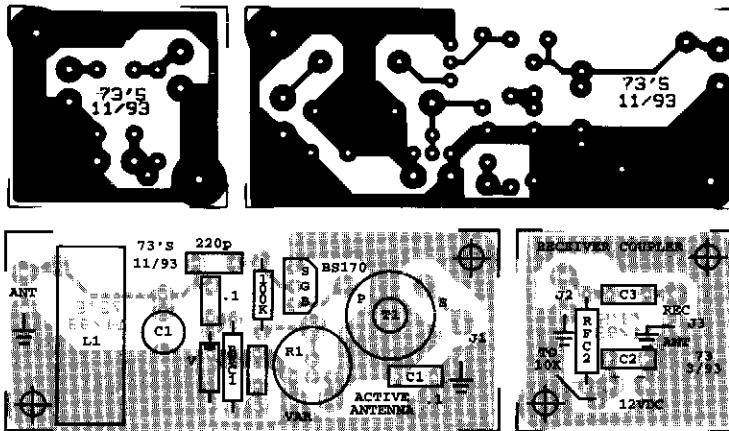
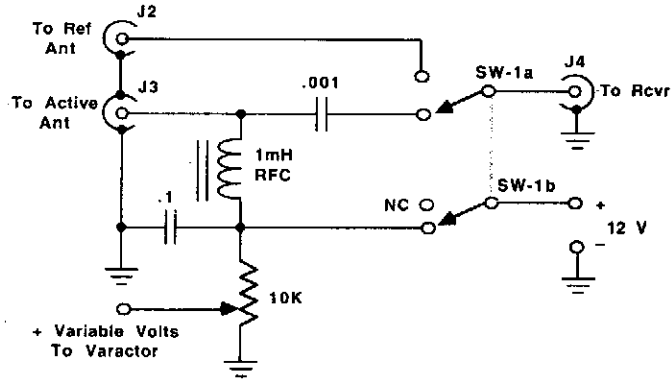
## Antenna Circuits

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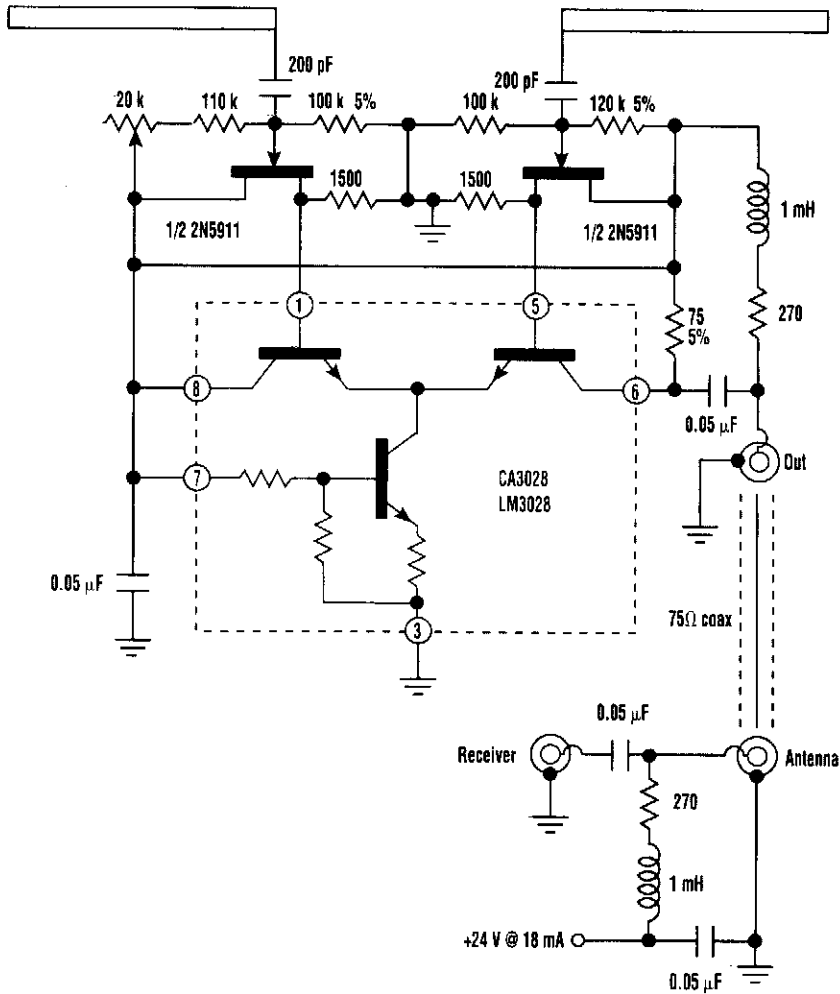
Remote Tuned Active HF Antenna  
Miniature Broadband Antenna (3 to 30 MHz)  
FM Auto Radio Diversity Antenna  
Tunable FM Antenna Booster  
Matchbox Antenna Tuner  
Antenna Tuner  
Active Antenna for UHF Scanners

## REMOTE TUNED ACTIVE HF ANTENNA



An MV1662/S varactor diode tunes this active antenna/preamplifier. R1 varies gate bias on the BS170 FET. T1 is a 3:1 toroidal winding suitable for the frequencies of interest.

## MINIATURE BROADBAND ANTENNA (3 TO 30 MHz)

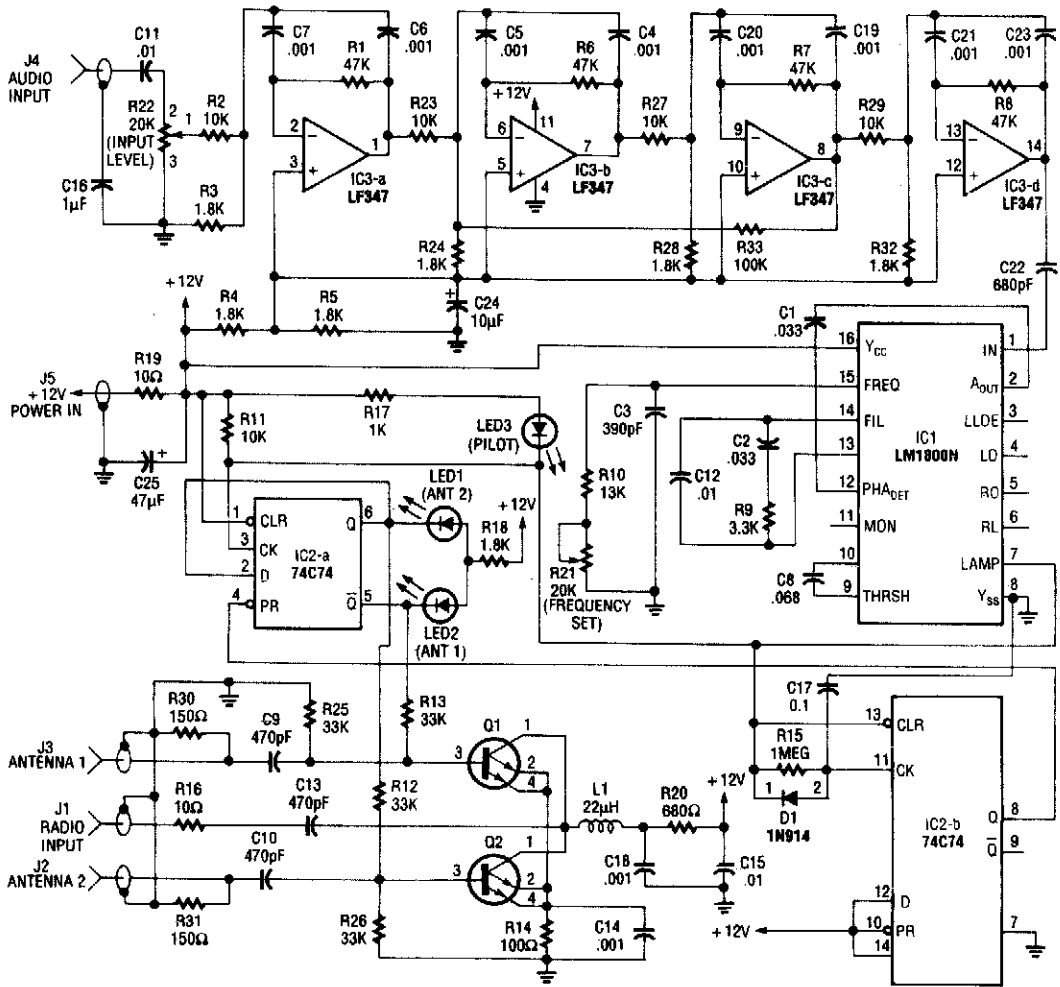


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

*Fig. 8-2*

A short dipole antenna and impedance converter combined together can be rotated to null out an interfering signal. The converter supplies a tremendous current gain so that the voltage appearing at the dipole's output eventually drives a 75-Ω load.

## FM AUTO RADIO DIVERSITY ANTENNA



ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 8-3

A second antenna, installed on your vehicle as far away from the original equipment antenna as practical, provides the second FM signal. The figure is a simplified block diagram of the diversity system.

The cables from both antennas are connected to the electronic antenna switch. The 19-kHz pilot signal from the receiver's audio output is passed through a high-gain bandpass active filter, which attenuates audio programming that is much stronger than the pilot signal. After amplification, the pilot subcarrier becomes the reference frequency for a phase-locked loop (PLL) circuit. The output of the PLL locks to the 19-kHz pilot signal and functions as a subcarrier detector. When the reference frequency becomes noisy, the PLL will lose "lock" and trigger the flip-flop, whose output switches the

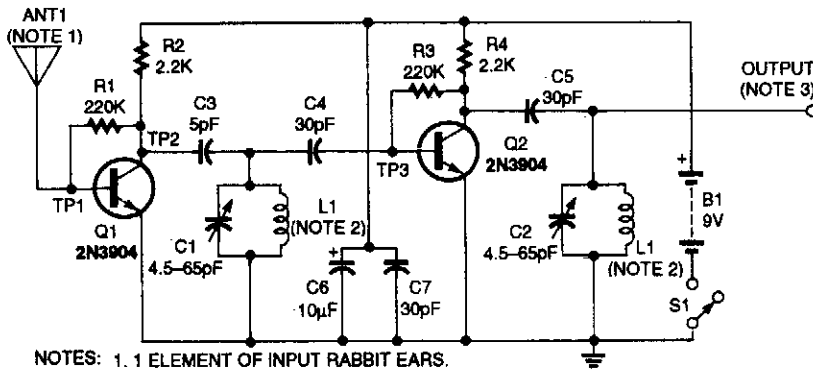
## FM AUTO RADIO DIVERSITY ANTENNA (Cont.)

state of the electronic antenna switch. This action switches the alternate antenna into the system while disabling the original antenna.

If that second antenna is positioned for better reception, the received signal will clear, and the PLL will again lock to the subcarrier and hold the switch in that state until the pilot signal drops out again. If the second antenna does not restore the pilot signal reception after a 0.1-second delay, the primary antenna is switched back on.

When the radio is receiving AM, the absence of the 19-kHz subcarrier will also reactivate the primary antenna that is tuned to the receiver for the best AM reception.

## TUNABLE FM ANTENNA BOOSTER



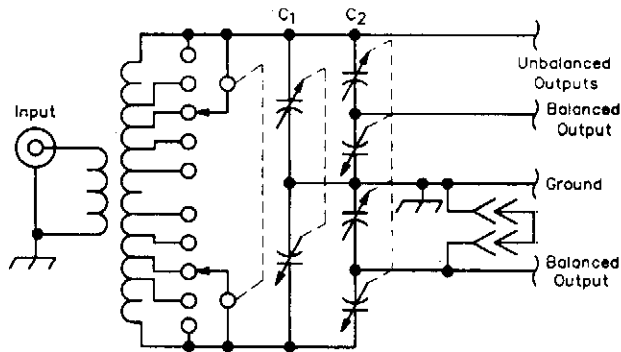
- NOTES: 1. 1 ELEMENT OF INPUT RABBIT EARS.  
2. SEE TEXT FOR WINDING INSTRUCTIONS  
3. TO ANTENNA OF FM RECEIVER  
4. VOLTAGES AT TEST POINTS: TP1=0.68V, TP2=3.85V, TP3=0.68V.

ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 8-4

This two-transistor amplifier circuit with tunable tank circuits boosts the distant FM signals. Coils L1 and L2 are 1½ turns #20 AWG bail tinned wire wound around a ⅜" diameter mandrel.

## MATCHBOX ANTENNA TUNER

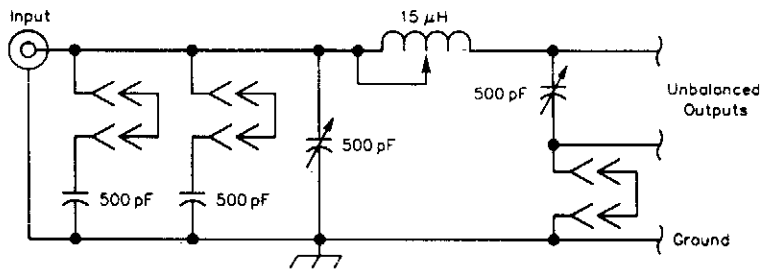


QST

Fig. 8-5

C1 is a split stator capacitor and C2 is a dual differential capacitor. The top unbalanced output connection is used for high-impedance unbalanced loads, and the other is used for low-impedance unbalanced loads. In the latter case, the unused balanced load connection is grounded.

## ANTENNA TUNER

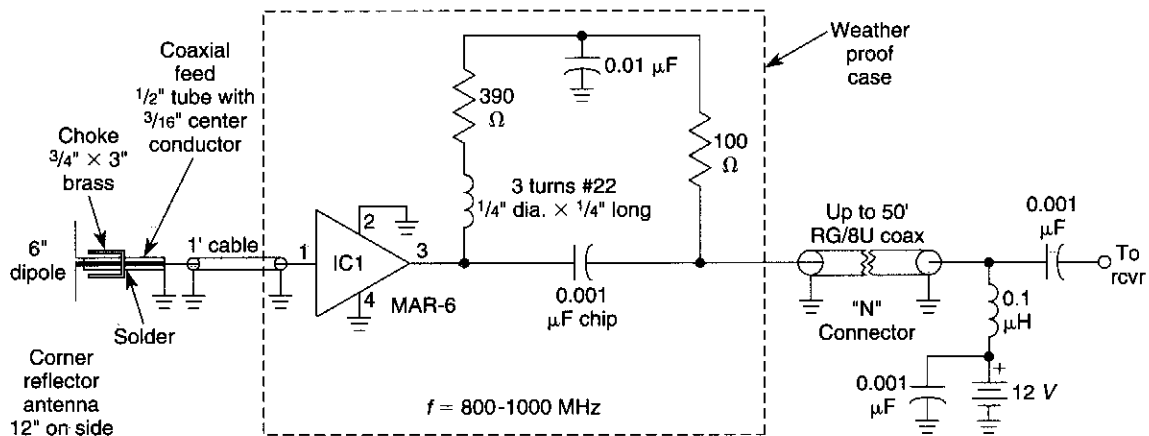


QST

Fig. 8-6

This is a circuit diagram of the Collins Model 180S-1 antenna tuner. Three unbalanced configurations are available, two of which form an L-network and the other is a  $\pi$ -network. The tuning range is impressive.

## ACTIVE ANTENNA FOR UHF SCANNERS



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**Fig. 8-7**

This active antenna is a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -wave dipole mounted in a  $12" \times 12" \times 12"$   $90^\circ$  corner reflector. A built-in active preamp IC1, fed dc through the RF coaxial line, provides 15 dB gain at 900 MHz to offset cable losses. This provides superior reception for scanners covering the 800- to 1000-MHz range.

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## Attenuator Circuits

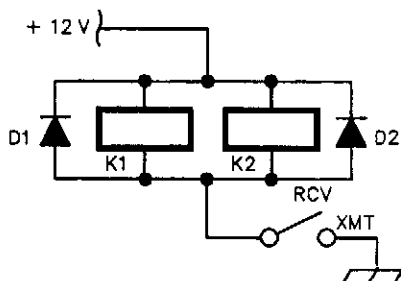
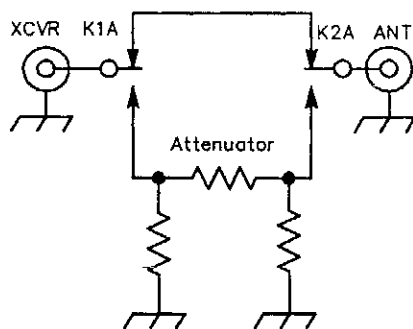
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Switchable Power Attenuator  
Variable Voltage Attenuator



## SWITCHABLE POWER ATTENUATOR



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**Fig. 9-1**

Schematic diagram of a switchable power attenuator that can be used to reduce the power output of transmitters that don't have ALC lines.

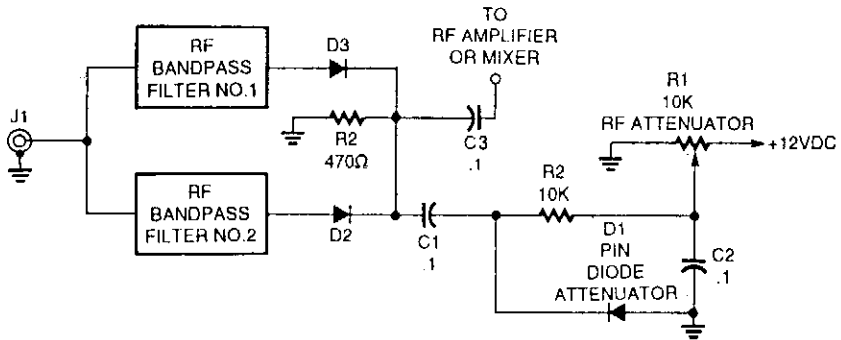
Values for 10 and 20 dB:

10 dB:  $R_1 = R_3 = 91 \Omega$   
 $R_2 = 75 \Omega$  nearest standard values

20 dB:  $R_1 = R_3 = 62 \Omega$   
 $R_2 = 240 \Omega$  nearest standard values

Note: R1 must handle the largest share of the input power, and R2 somewhat less. This depends on attenuation selected.

## VARIABLE VOLTAGE ATTENUATOR



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**Fig. 9-2**

The front-end of this circuit is a bank of selectable bandpass filters. The output of the filter banks are shunted to ground via capacitor (C1) and PIN diode (D1). The PIN diode acts like an electronically variable resistor. The resistance across the diode's terminals is a function of the applied bias voltage. This voltage, hence the degree of attenuation of the RF signal, is proportional to the setting of potentiometer R1. The series resistor (R2) is used to limit the current when the diode is forward biased. This step is necessary because the diode has a very low resistance when a certain rather low potential is exceeded.

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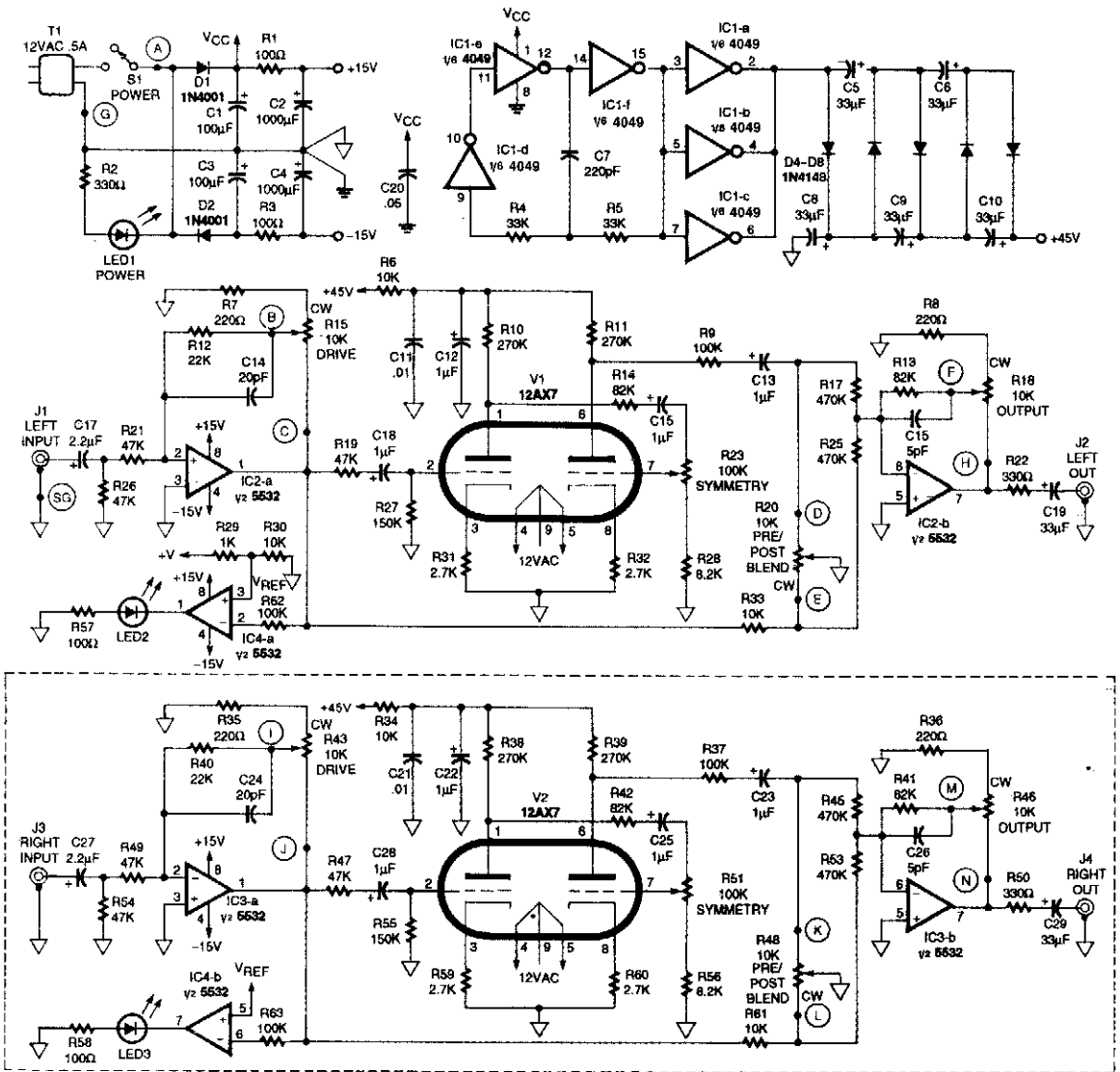
## Audio Signal Amplifier Circuits

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Vacuum Tube Audio Amplifier  
Micropower Linear Amplifier  
NB FM Audio Amplifier  
Two-Transistor Audio Amplifier  
Personal Stereo Audio Amp  
Transistor RIAA Preamp for Magnetic Phone Cartridges  
Dynamic Microphone Preamp  
Balanced Microphone Preamplifier  
RIAA Line Amplifier/Driver  
Single-Ended HI-Z Microphone Preamp  
Low-Level Audio Amplifier  
Simple 20-dB Gain Audio Amplifier  
High-Gain Dynamic Microphone Preamplifier  
FET Phono Cartridge Preamp  
Simple High-Gain Audio Amplifier  
RIAA Preamplifier  
Basic Complementary Class-AB Single-Supply Amplifier  
High-Impedance Microphone Input Circuit  
Electronic-Ear Low-Noise Audio Amplifier (for Parabolic Dish Mikes)

# VACUUM TUBE AUDIO AMPLIFIER



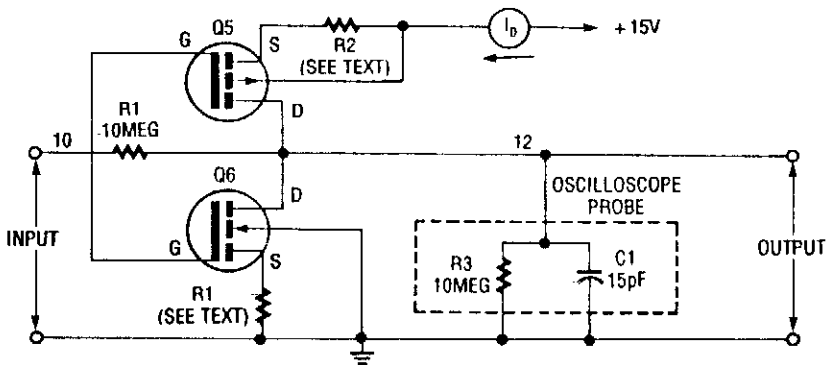
## VACUUM TUBE AUDIO AMPLIFIER (Cont.)

This schematic is for a tubehead amplifier. The output from transformer T1 is positive half-wave ac rectified by D1 and filtered by C1, C2, and R1 for a +15-V supply. A -15-V supply is available from D2, C3, C4, and R3. The plate supply for the 12AX7 tubes is produced by a voltage multiplier.

Some listeners prefer the sound of a vacuum-tube audio system. Although this is rather subjective and a personal preference, this circuit can be used to simulate the "tube sound" preferred by these listeners.

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## MICROPOWER LINEAR AMPLIFIER

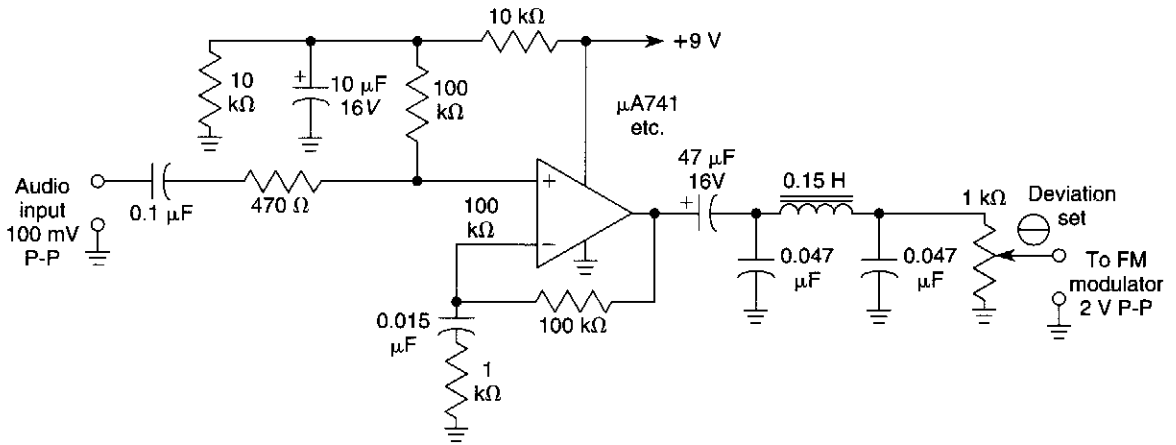


ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 10-2

This circuit, based on the inverter in the CD4007UB CMOS linear amplifier, shows a method for reducing drain current.

## NB FM AUDIO AMPLIFIER

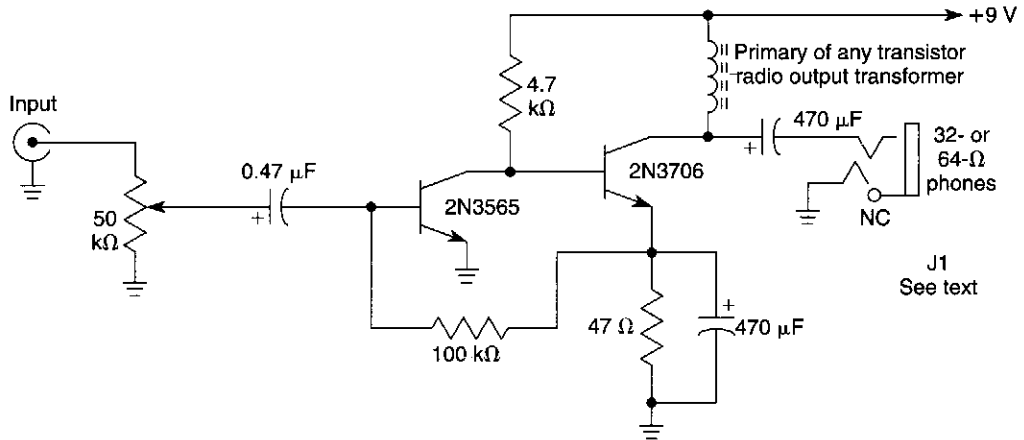


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**Fig. 10-3**

This audio system amplifies, limits, and filters an audio voice signal for use with an FM modulator or VCO. It has pre-emphasis of 6-dB/octave 300–3000 Hz. Almost any suitable op amp can be used.

## TWO-TRANSISTOR AUDIO AMPLIFIER

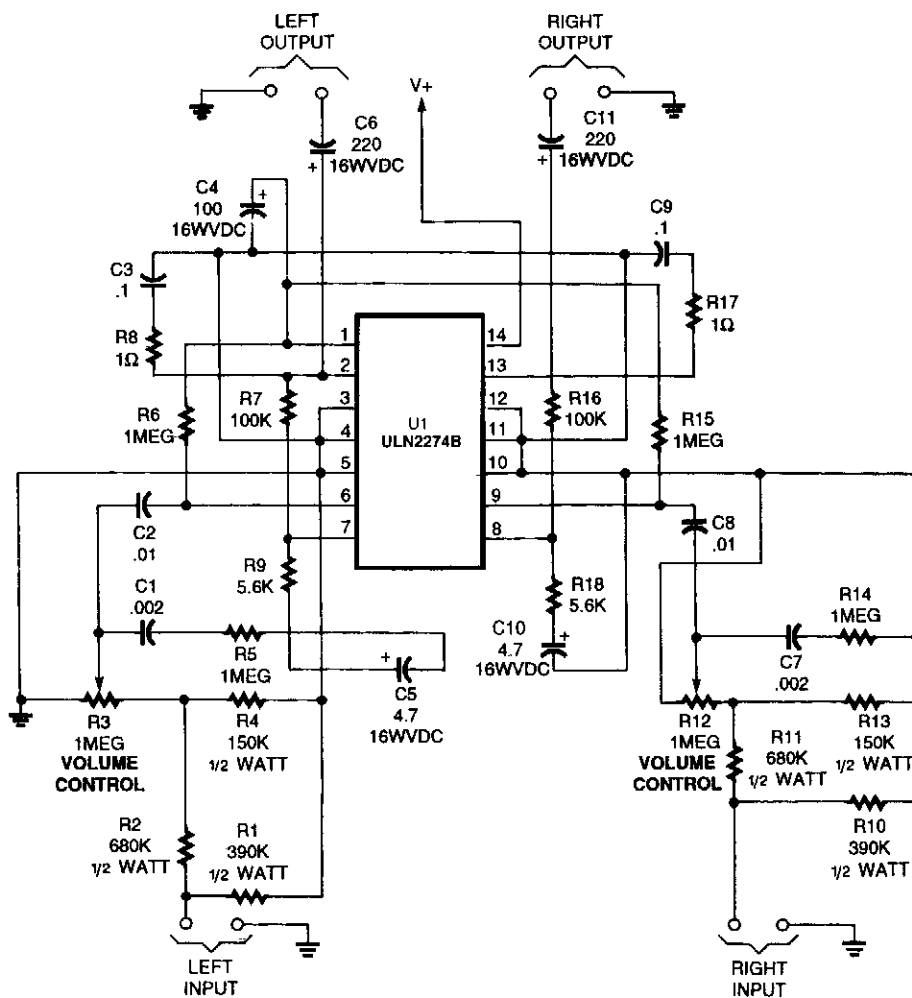


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**Fig. 10-4**

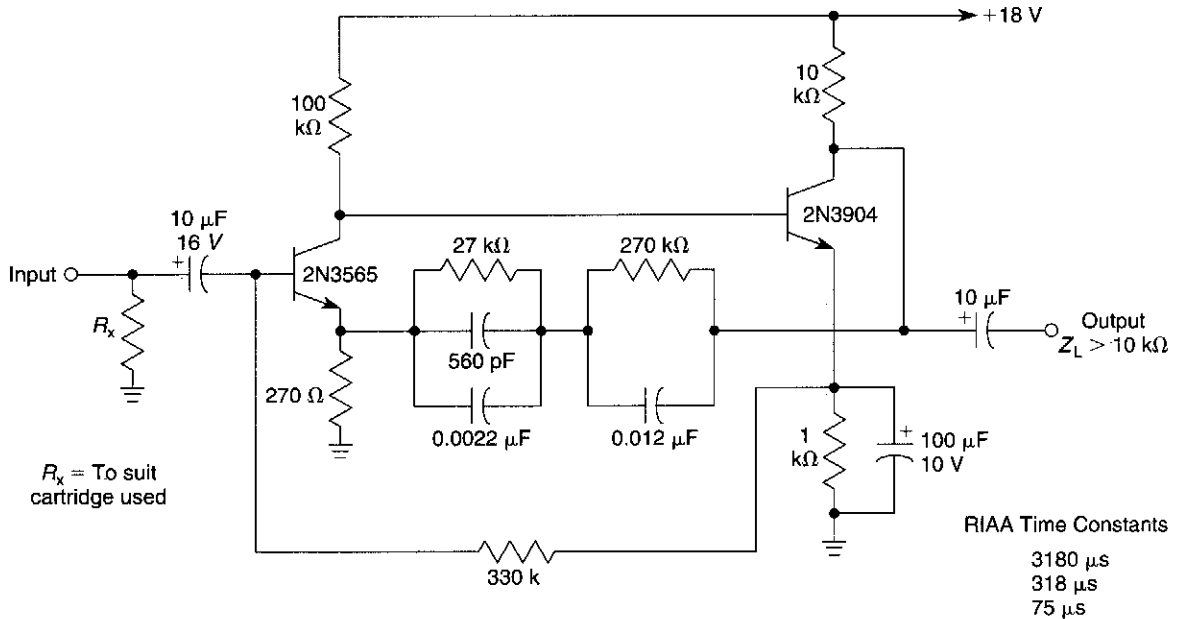
This is a general-purpose audio amplifier for driving a pair of stereo earphones in monaural mode. Two can be used for stereo. In this case, ground the center top of the earphone (sleeve of J1).

## PERSONAL STEREO AUDIO AMP



You can make your personal stereo do double duty as a small room stereo by adding this 2-watt amplifier.

## TRANSISTOR RIAA PREAMP FOR MAGNETIC PHONE CARTRIDGES

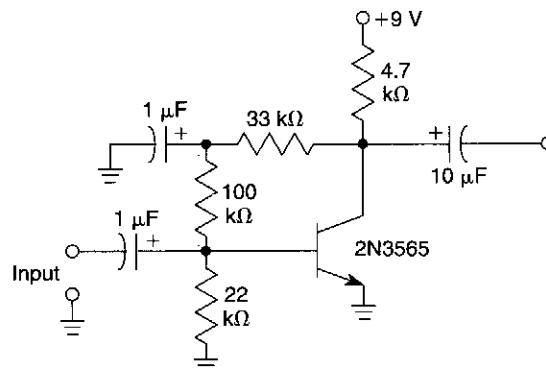


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Fig. 10-6

This two-transistor circuit has around 40 dB (midband) gain at 1 kHz. A magnetic cartridge is used as a source.

## DYNAMIC MICROPHONE PREAMP



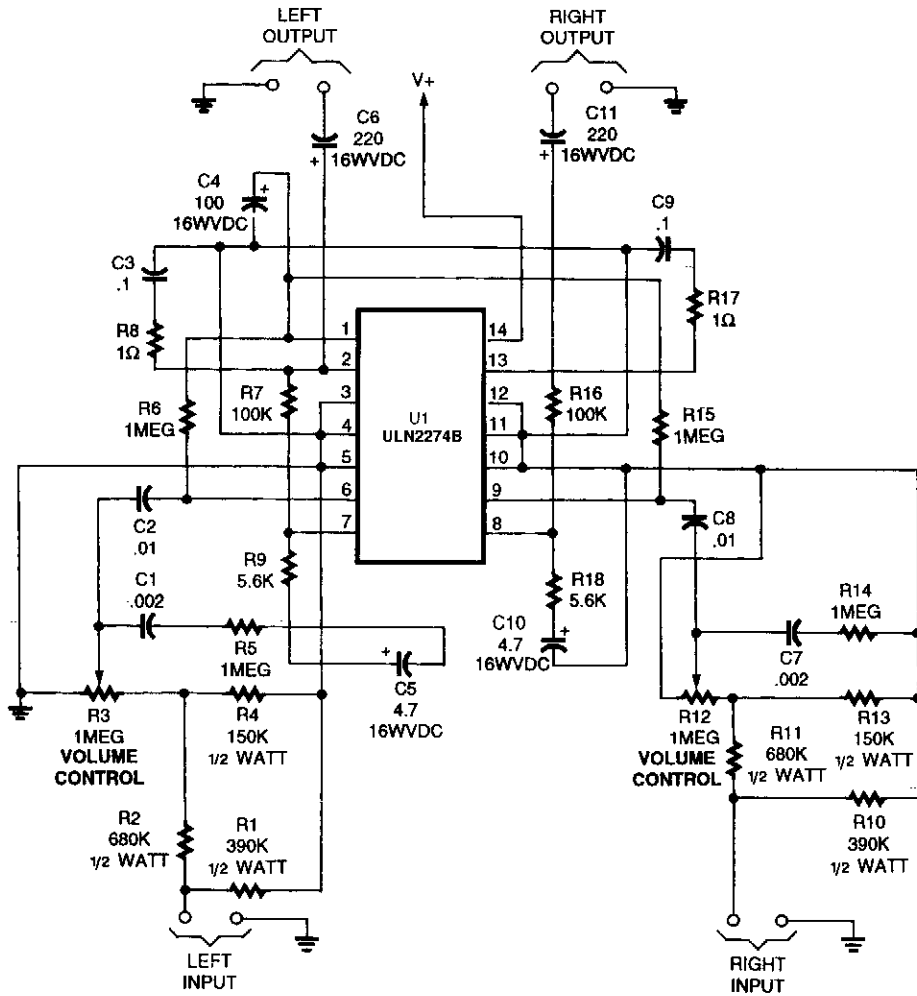
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Fig. 10-7

This preamplifier provides 40- to 43-dB gain when used with a low-impedance ( $< 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) dynamic microphone.



## PERSONAL STEREO AUDIO AMP



You can make your personal stereo do double duty as a small room stereo by adding this 2-watt amplifier.

## BALANCED MICROPHONE PREAMPLIFIER

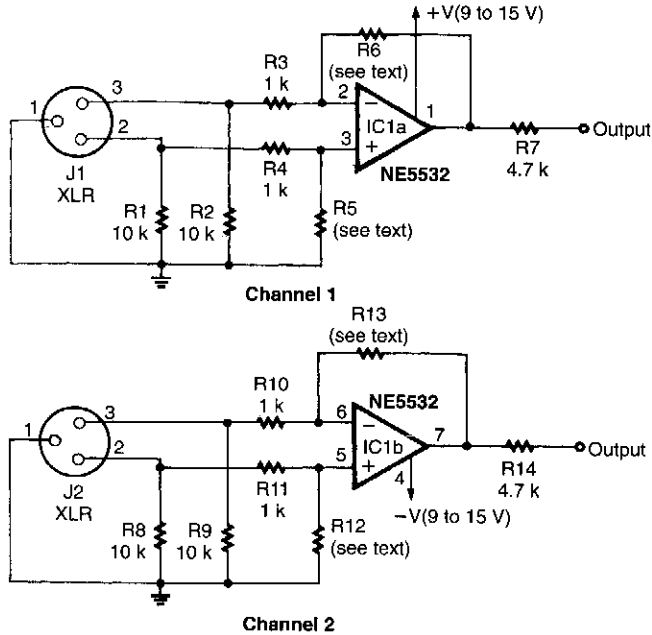
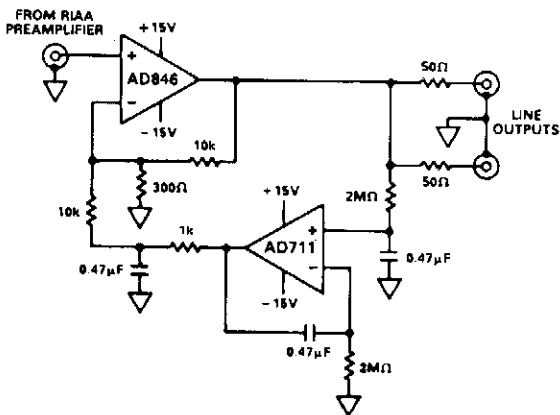


Fig. 10-8

ELECTRONICS NOW

A balanced input for microphones can solve hum and noise pickup problems. R6 and R13 should equal R5 and R12, respectively. Typical values would be 10 kΩ to 22 kΩ.

## RIAA LINE AMPLIFIER/DRIVER

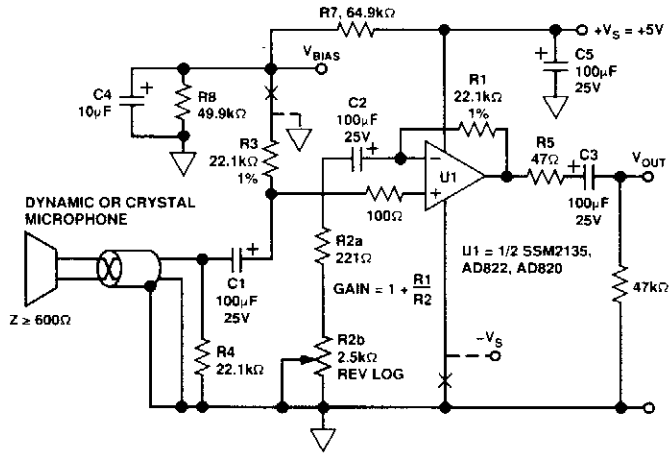


Two op amps by Analog Devices are used in this audio line amplifier, which is suitable for interfacing with an RIAA preamplifier.

ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 10-9

## SINGLE-ENDED HI-Z MICROPHONE PREAMP

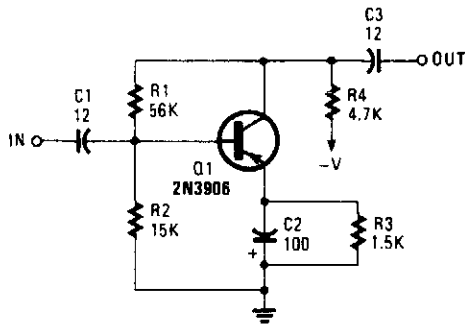


ANALOG DEVICES

*Fig. 10-10*

This low noise circuit works on a +5-V supply. Gain range is 20 to 40 dB and bandwidth is 20 kHz with the AD820. THD is 0.05% with 1 V RMS into a 2-kΩ load. Noise output with the input shorted is less than 200 μV.

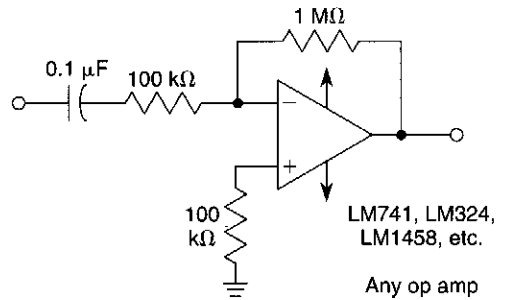
### LOW-LEVEL AUDIO AMPLIFIER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 10-11*

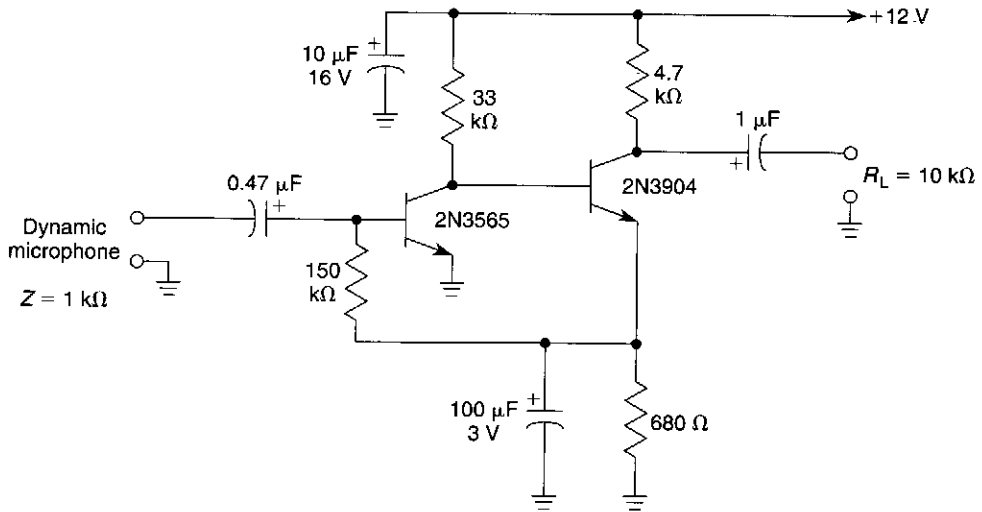
### SIMPLE 20-dB GAIN AUDIO AMPLIFIER



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*Fig. 10-12*

## HIGH-GAIN DYNAMIC MICROPHONE PREAMPLIFIER

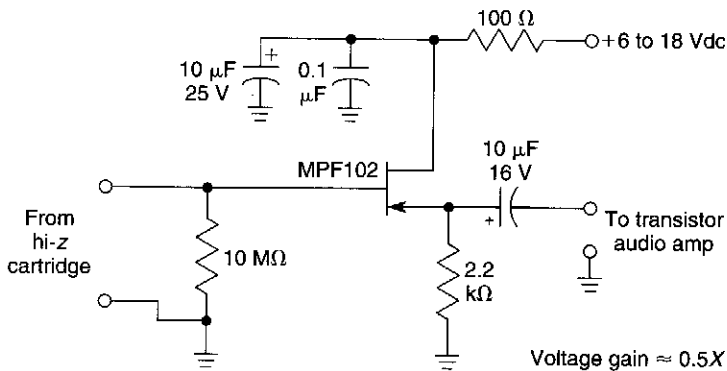


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Fig. 10-13

This microphone preamplifier is capable of about 70 dB or more gain at audio frequencies. Its gain is approximately equal to the product of the  $h_{fe}$  of both transistors times the ratio of the load resistance to the input resistance of the preamp. As an approximation, these resistances are usually similar in value ( $\approx 2$  to  $5$  k $\Omega$ ) for most applications, so this ratio can be taken as unity.

## FET PHONO CARTRIDGE PREAMP

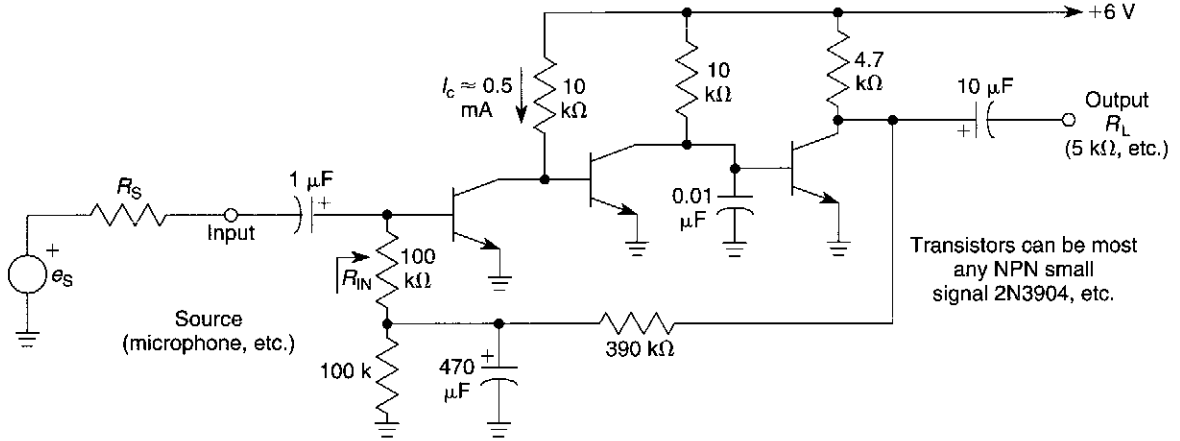


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Fig. 10-14

A high- $Z$  phono cartridge can be matched to a low- $Z$  amplifier with this circuit. The FET provides a current gain of over 1000 $\times$  and a voltage gain of about 0.5 $\times$ .

## SIMPLE HIGH-GAIN AUDIO AMPLIFIER



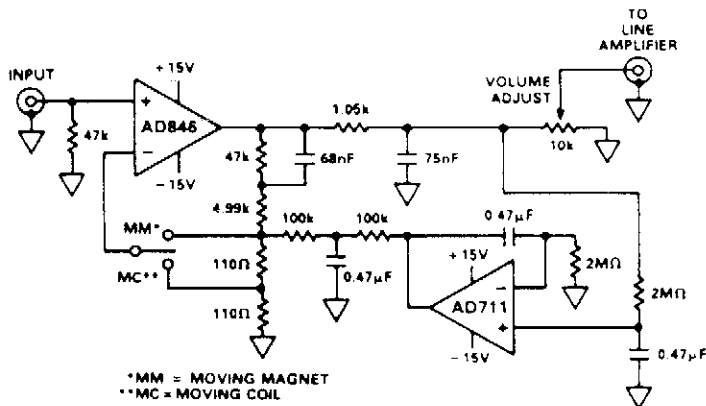
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**Fig. 10-15**

This amplifier has a very high gain in the audio range and is approximately the product of the current gains of the three transistors multiplied by the ratio of  $R_L$  to  $(R_{IN} + R_S)$ .  $R_{IN}$  is approximately to:

$$(\beta_{Q1} + 1) \frac{(26)}{I_{EQ1}}$$

## RIAA PREAMPLIFIER

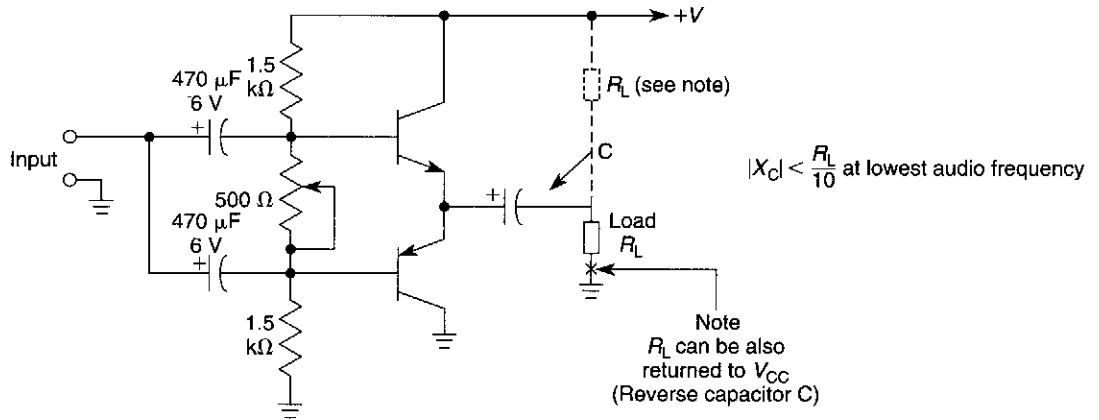


ANALOG DEVICES

**Fig. 10-16**

This preamp for RIAA phone use uses two op amps by Analog Devices. A switch selects compensation for moving magnet or moving coil pickups.

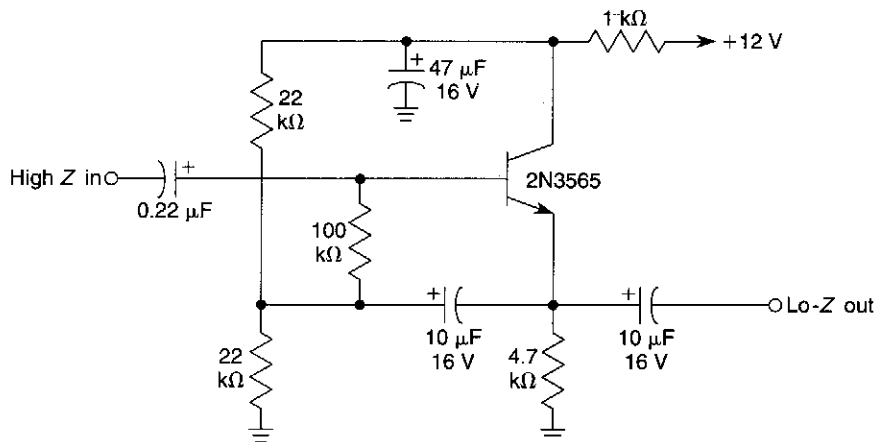
## BASIC COMPLEMENTARY CLASS-AB SINGLE-SUPPLY AMPLIFIER



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*Fig. 10-17*

## HIGH-IMPEDANCE MICROPHONE INPUT CIRCUIT

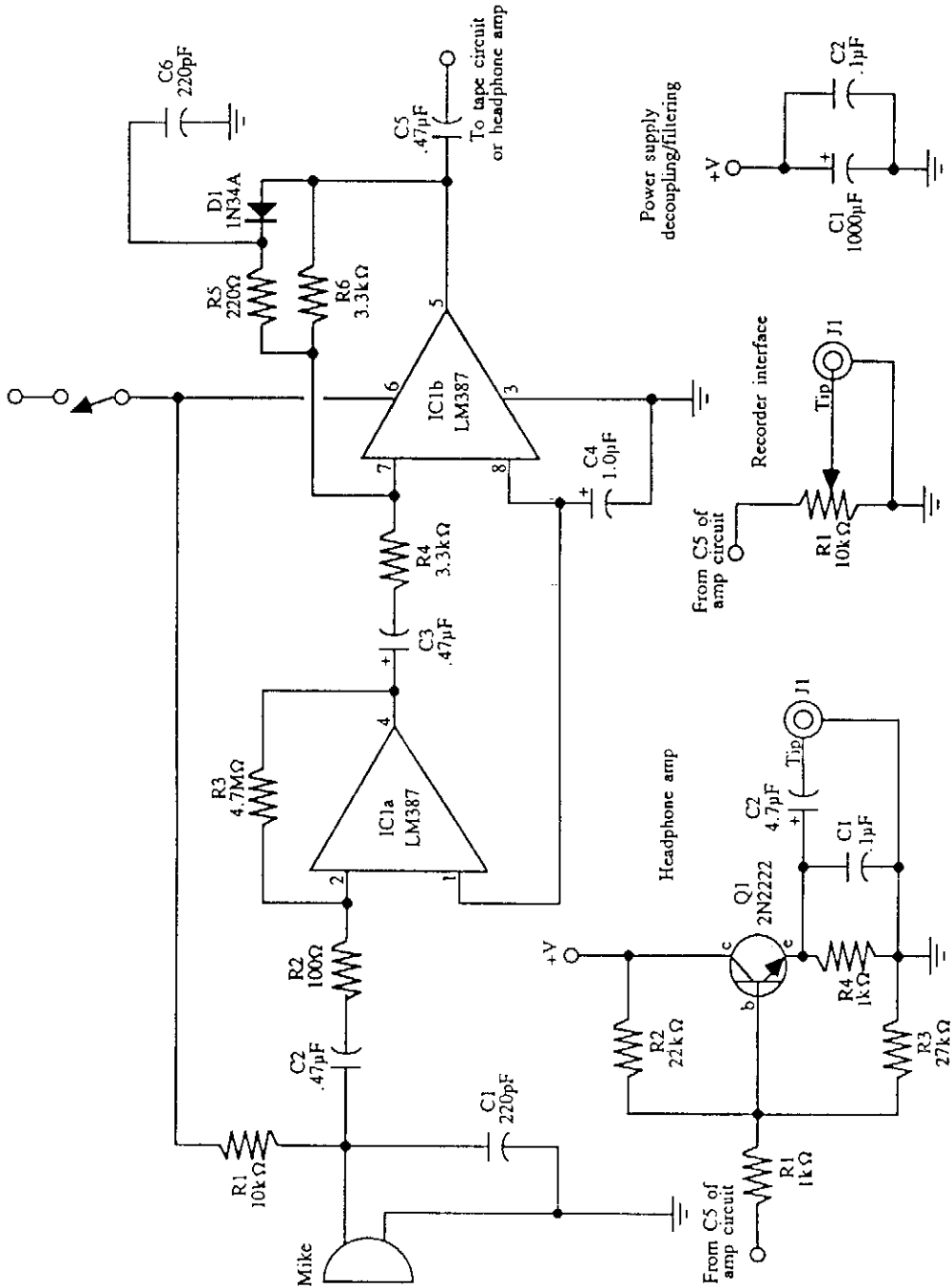


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*Fig. 10-18*

This input circuit will enable use of a high-impedance microphone where a low-impedance microphone would be needed.

## ELECTRONIC-EAR LOW-NOISE AUDIO AMPLIFIER (FOR PARABOLIC DISH MIKES)



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Use this circuit with a parabolic reflector microphone for eavesdropping on distant sounds.

Fig. 10-19

# 11

## Audio Power Amplifier Circuits

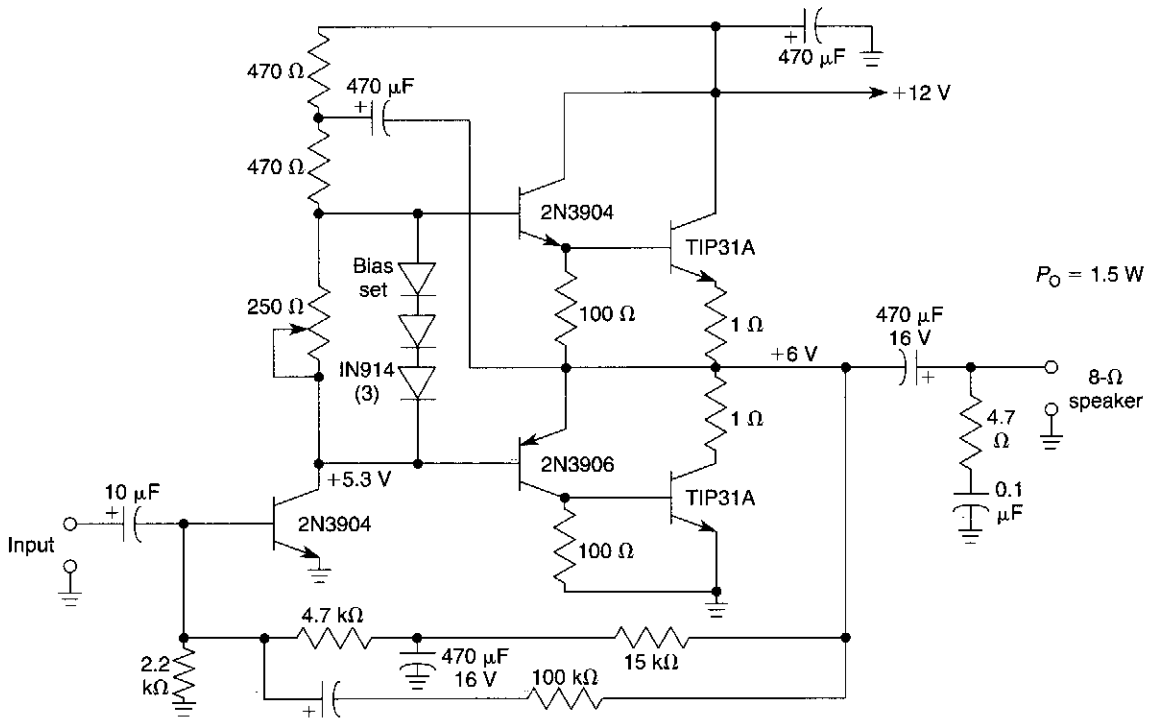
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Audio Power Amplifier, 1.5 W, 12 V  
Parallel Power Op Amps  
10-Watt Audio Amplifier  
Power Bridge Amplifier with Single-Ended Output  
Line-Operated Audio Amplifier  
Basic Complementary Class-AB Power Amplifier  
Simple Vacuum Tube Amplifier  
Power Supply for Vacuum Tube Amplifier  
16-W Bridge Amplifier  
RFI-Proof Audio Power Amplifier  
Basic Quasi-Complementary Power Amplifier with Split Power Supplies  
RIAA Phono Amplifier  
Basic Quasi-Complementary Power Amplifier Circuit  
Phone Amp  
80-Watt IC Audio Amplifier  
Basic Complementary Power Amplifier Circuit  
General-Purpose AF Amplifier  
Bridge Connection of Two Power Op Amps  
90-V 10-A High-Power Amplifier  
Mini-Megaphone



## AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER, 1.5 W, 12 V

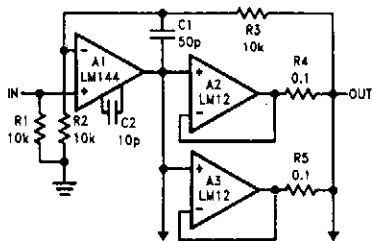


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**Fig. 11-1**

Although ICs have largely replaced circuits such as this, this circuit still finds use where the flexibility of a discrete device design is desirable. Parts are easy to obtain and the problem of IC obsolescence is eliminated. The TIP31A can be heatsinked to a small metal heatsink, if desired.

## PARALLEL POWER OP AMPS

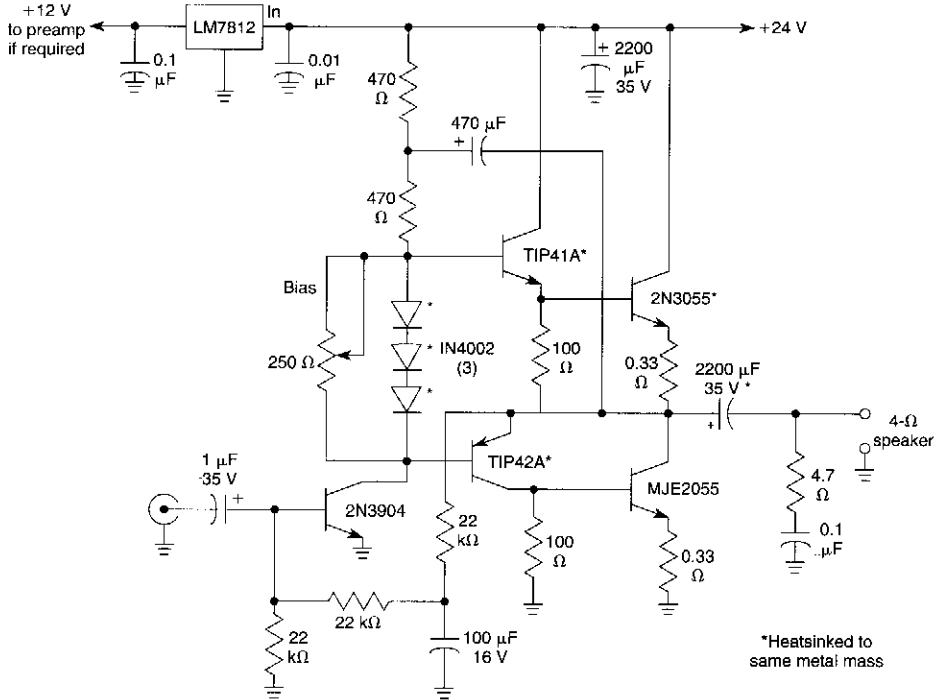


The power amplifiers, A2 and A3, are wired as followers and connected in parallel with the outputs coupled through equalization resistors.

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**Fig. 11-2**

## 10-WATT AUDIO AMPLIFIER

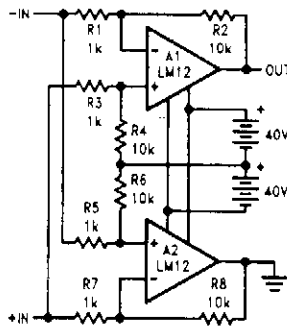


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**Fig. 11-3**

This circuit is a general-purpose 10-W audio amplifier for moderate-power PA or modulator use in an AM transmitter. With higher voltages and a change in bias resistors, up to 30 W can be obtained.

## POWER BRIDGE AMPLIFIER WITH SINGLE-ENDED OUTPUT

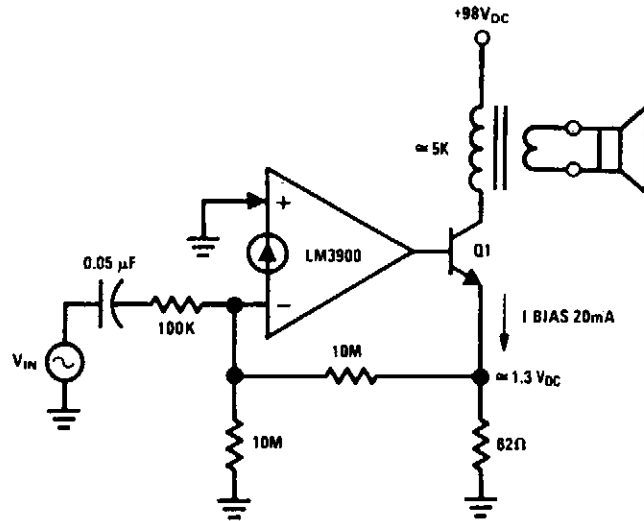


Bridge amplifier with a single-ended output uses floating supply. Either input can be grounded.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 11-4**

## LINE-OPERATED AUDIO AMPLIFIER

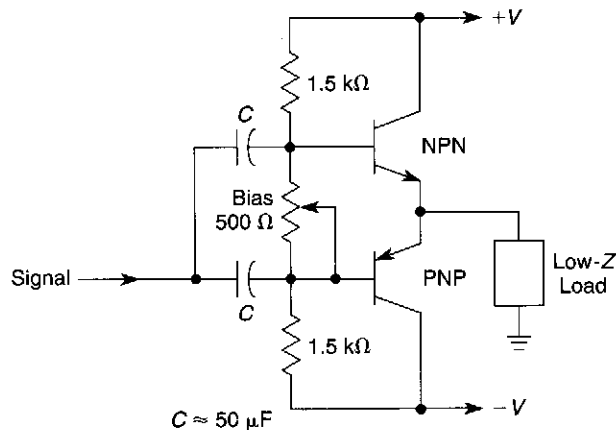


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Fig. 11-5

An audio amplifier which operates off a  $+98\text{-V}_{\text{DC}}$  power supply (the rectified line voltage) is often used in consumer products. The external high-voltage transistor, Q1, is biased and controlled by the LM3900. The magnitude of the dc biasing voltage, which appears across the emitter resistor of Q1 is controlled by the resistor. The resistor is placed from the (-) input to ground.

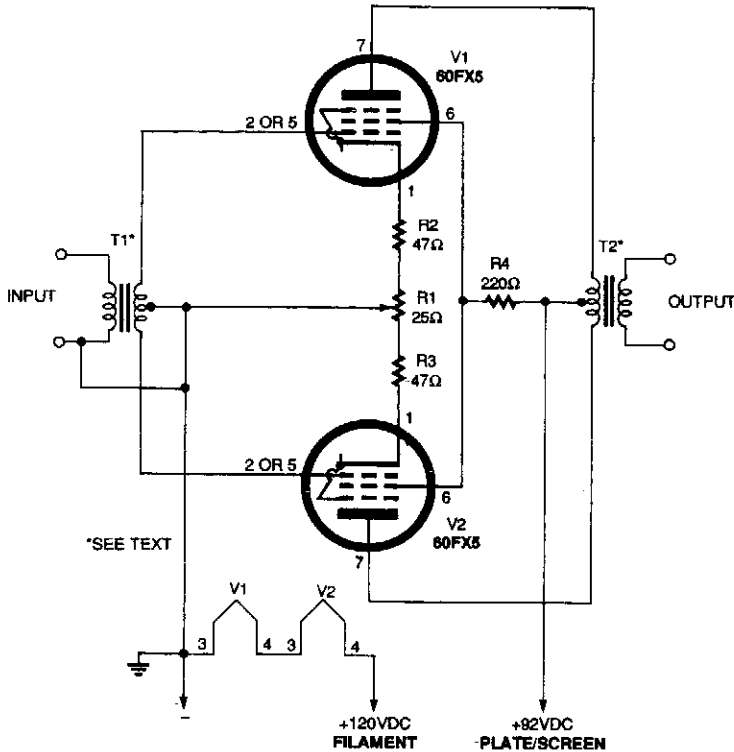
## BASIC COMPLEMENTARY CLASS-AB POWER AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 11-6

## SIMPLE VACUUM TUBE AMPLIFIER

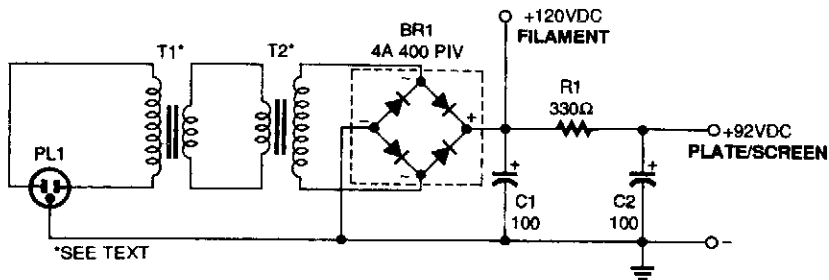


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Fig. 11-7

Using a pair of 60 FX5 tubes, direct operation from 120 Vac is possible. However, the use of a power supply with an isolation transformer is recommended. R1 is adjusted for equal voltages at pin 1 of V1 and V2. The power output is about 2 to 3 watts.

## POWER SUPPLY FOR VACUUM TUBE AMPLIFIER

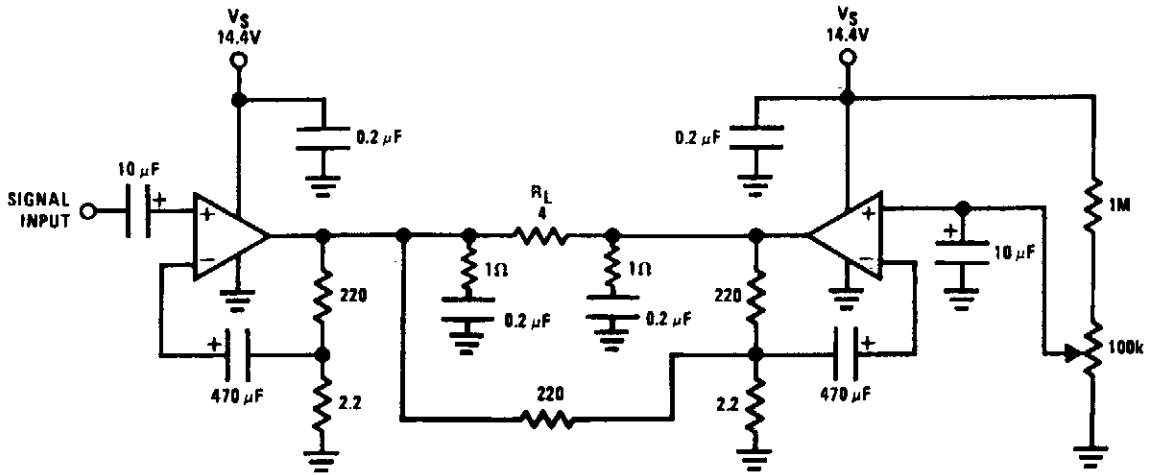


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Fig. 11-8

The power supply for the amplifier uses two low-voltage transformers connected back-to-back. The full-wave bridge rectifier, BR1 provides dc for the filaments, plates, and screens.

## 16-W BRIDGE AMPLIFIER

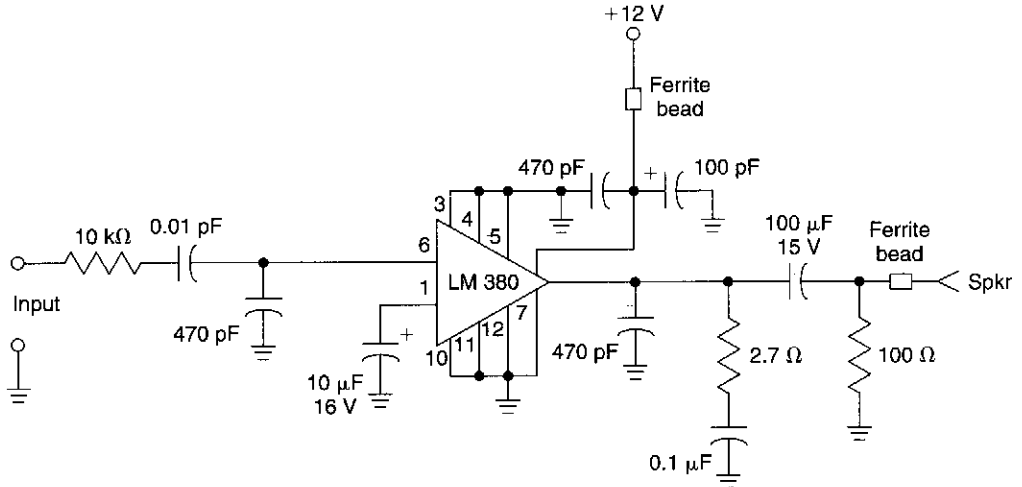


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Fig. 11-9

This circuit delivers 16 W RMS audio into a 4-Ω load ( $R_L$ ). The ICs are LM383s.

## RFI-PROOF AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER

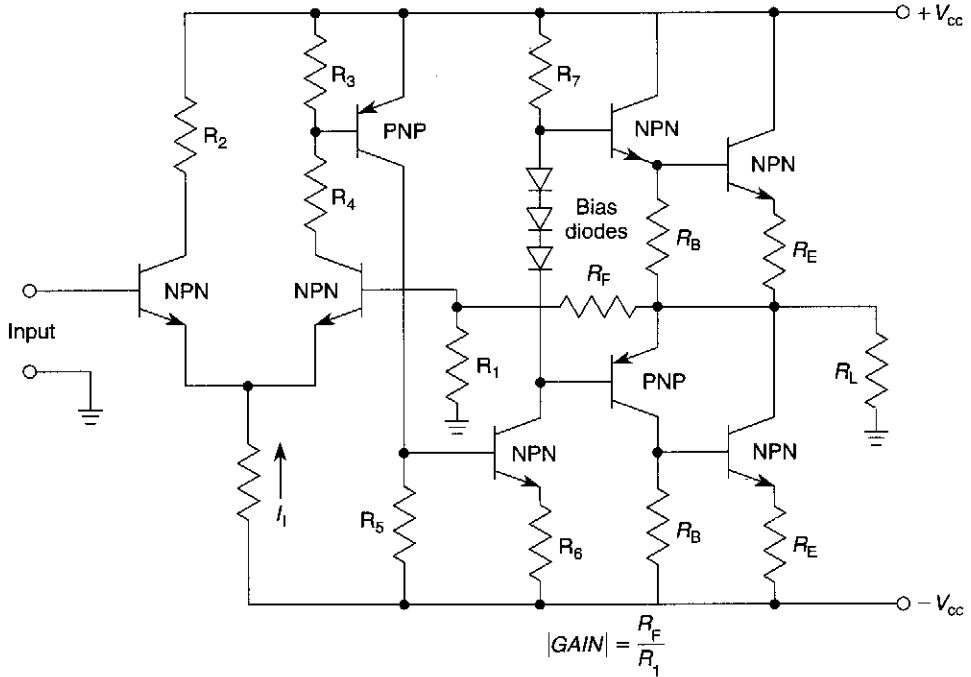


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Fig. 11-10

This 1-watt audio amplifier was used in an FM repeater and proved to be immune to strong RF signal pickup. It functioned well in very strong RF fields.

## BASIC QUASI-COMPLEMENTARY POWER AMPLIFIER WITH SPLIT POWER SUPPLIES

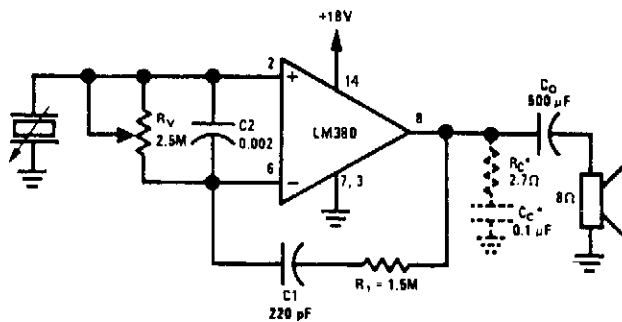


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**Fig. 11-11**

This is the basic circuit used in many audio power output stages where split supplies are used. This amplifier is inherently dc coupled and has high open loop gain and good dc stability if the feedback network is properly designed.

## RIAA PHONO AMPLIFIER

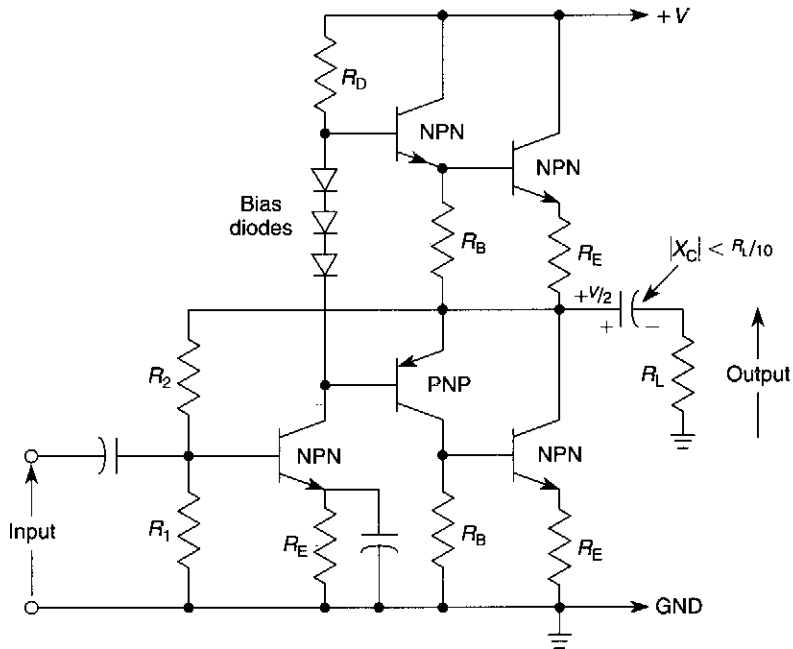


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**Fig. 11-12**

$$\text{Mid-band gain} = \frac{R_1 + 150 \text{ k}\Omega}{150 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

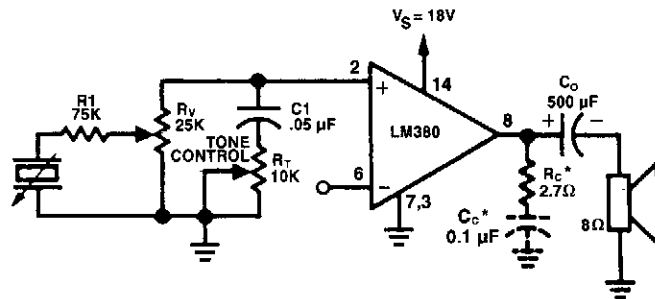
## BASIC QUASI-COMPLEMENTARY POWER AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT



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Fig. 11-13

## PHONO AMP

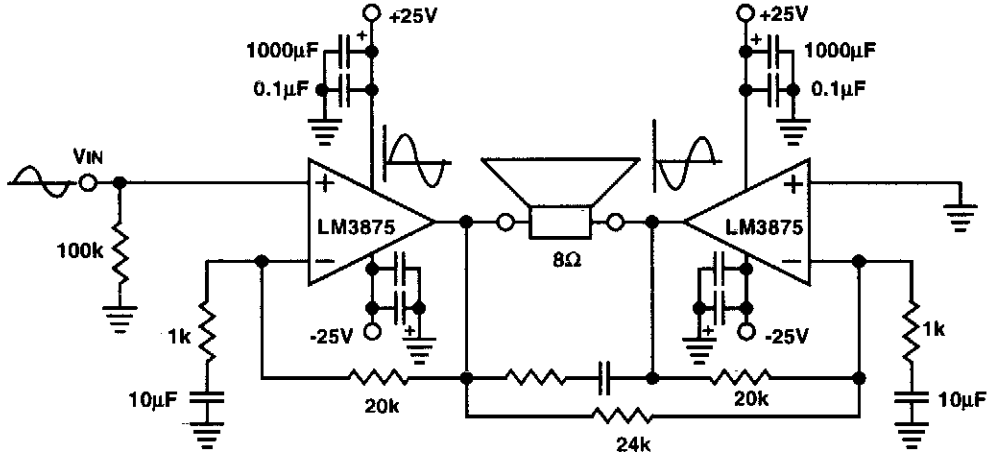


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 11-14

The figure shows the LM380 with a voltage-divider volume control and high-frequency roll-off tone control.

## 80-WATT IC AUDIO AMPLIFIER

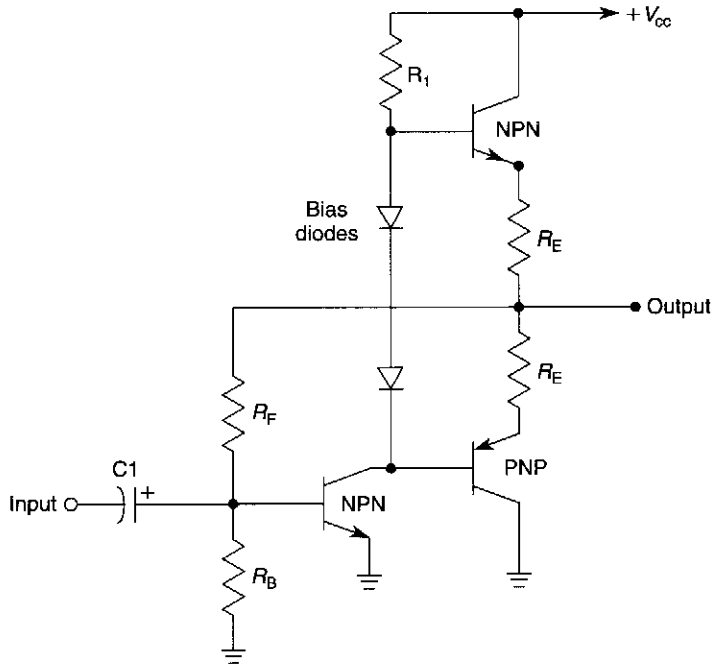


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*Fig. 11-15*

This audio power amp will deliver 80 W of audio into an 8-Ω load. The LM3875 IC devices should be suitably heatsinked. Note that the amplifier is a bridged circuit, with both speaker leads “hot.”

## BASIC COMPLEMENTARY POWER AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT

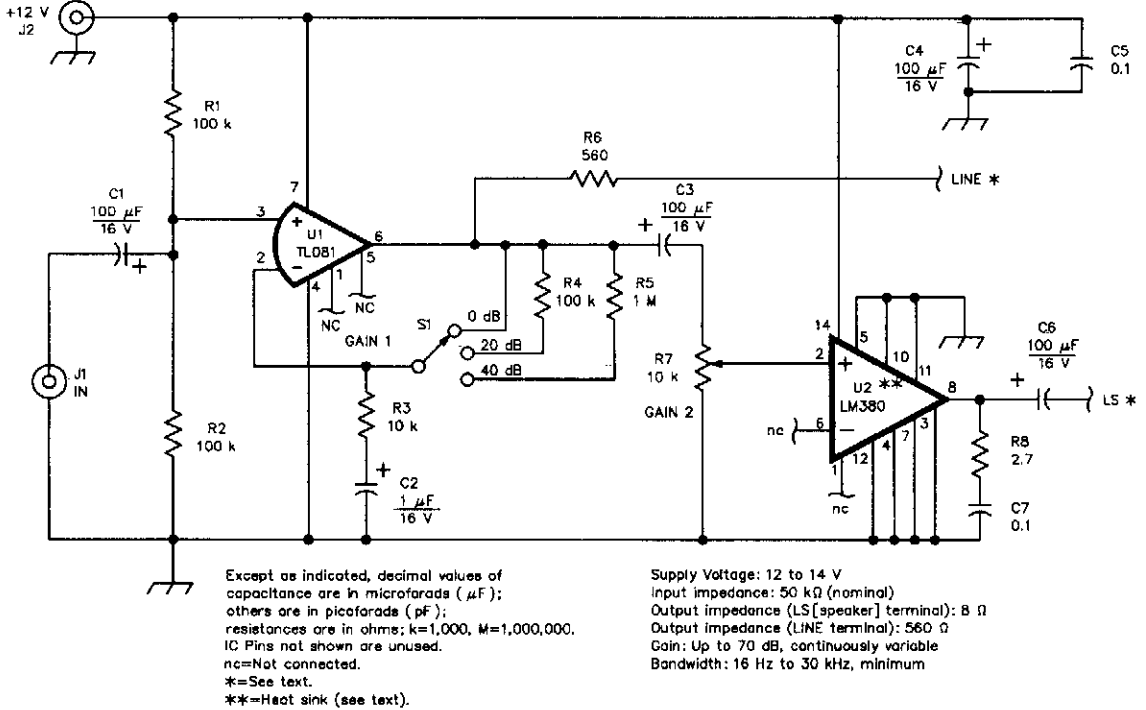


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*Fig. 11-16*



## GENERAL-PURPOSE AF AMPLIFIER

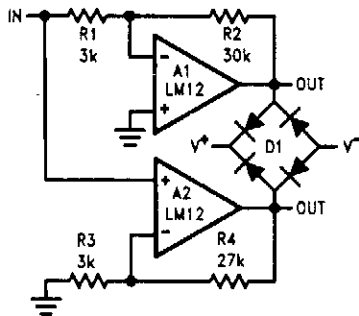


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Fig. 11-17

Schematic of the general-purpose AF amplifier. All resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$ -W, 5%-tolerance carbon-composition or metal-film units. Equivalent parts can be substituted. General-purpose IC replacements are shown in parentheses.

## BRIDGE CONNECTION OF TWO POWER OP AMPS

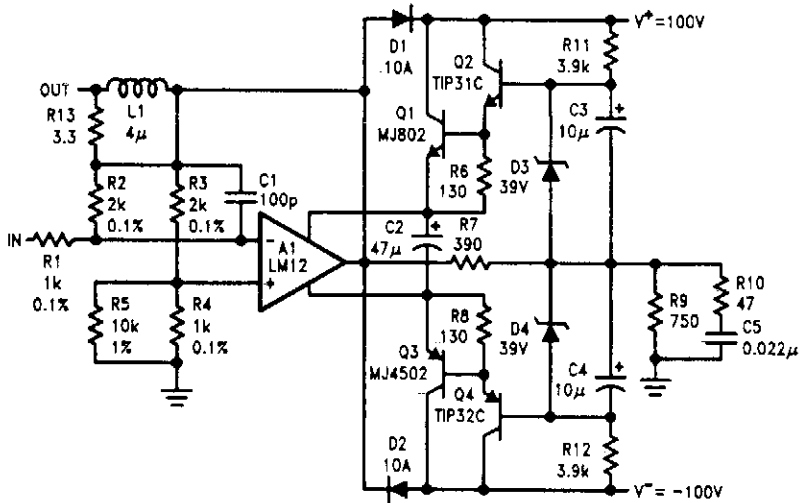


These bridge connections provide differential outputs that approach twice the total supply voltage. Diode bridge clamps output to the supplies.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 11-18

## 90-V 10-A HIGH-POWER AMPLIFIER

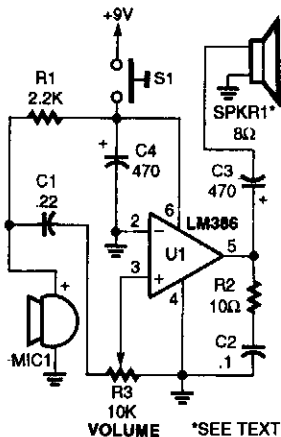


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

*Fig. 11-19*

This amplifier can drive  $\pm 90$  V at 10 A, more than twice the output swing of the LM12. The IC provides current and power limiting for the discrete transistors.

## MINI-MEGAPHONE



The Mini-Megaphone is comprised of an electret microphone (MIC1), and LM386 low-voltage audio-power amplifier (U1), a horn speaker (SPKR1), and a few other components.

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*Fig. 11-20*

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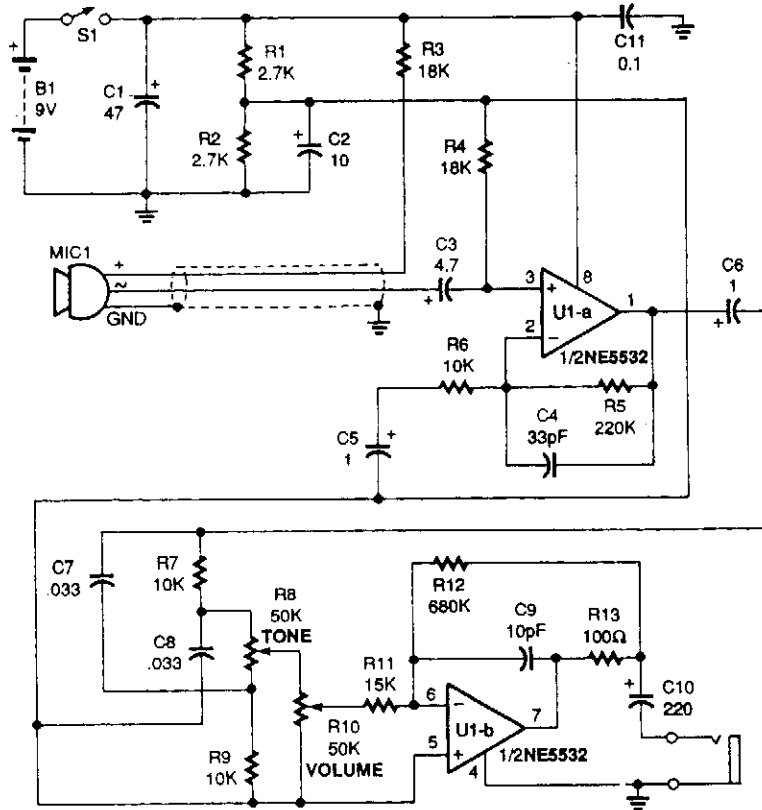
## Automotive Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Auto Stethoscope  
Automotive Electrical Monitor  
Car Alternator Monitor (Idiot Light)  
Cigarette Lighter 9-V Adapter  
Motorcycle Turn-Signal System  
Tachometer Signal-Conditioning Circuit  
Smart Turn Signal for Autos and Motorcycles  
Turn-Signal Alarm  
High-Power Audio Amp for Automotive Installation  
High-Power 12-V IC Auto Amplifier  
Capacitor Discharge Ignition System  
Car Audio Power Supply  
Motorcycle Headlight Monitor  
Headlight-Off Indicator  
Auto Battery Isolator Circuit  
Automotive HI-Z Test Light

## ELECTRONIC AUTO STETHOSCOPE



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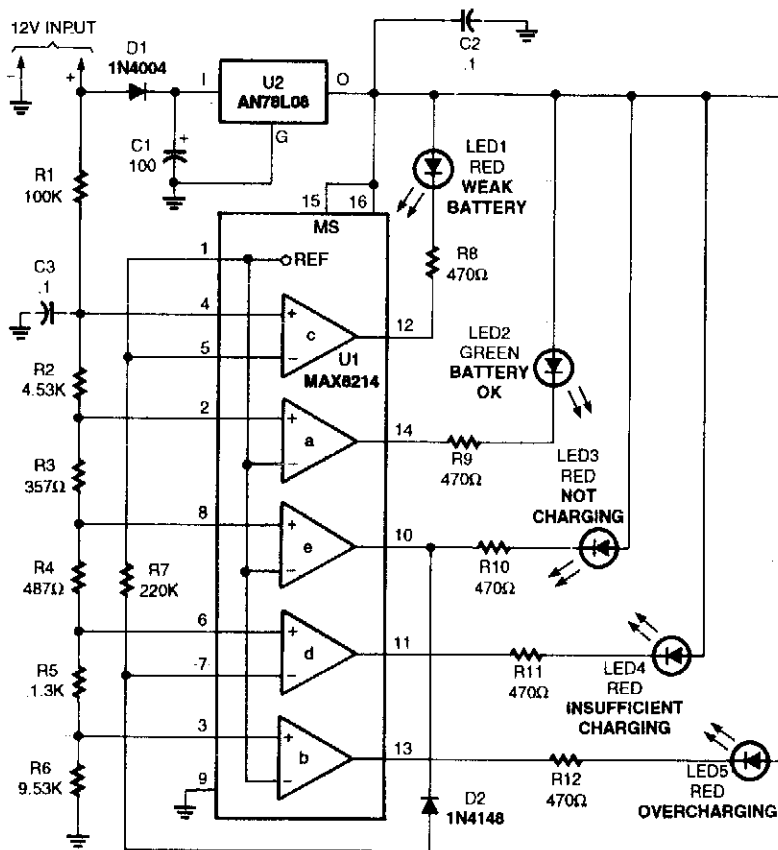
Fig. 12-1

The heart of the Stethoscope is the NE5532 audio op amp, U1. That component directly drives low impedances and allows the use of headphones without adding another amplifier.

## AUTOMOTIVE ELECTRICAL MONITOR

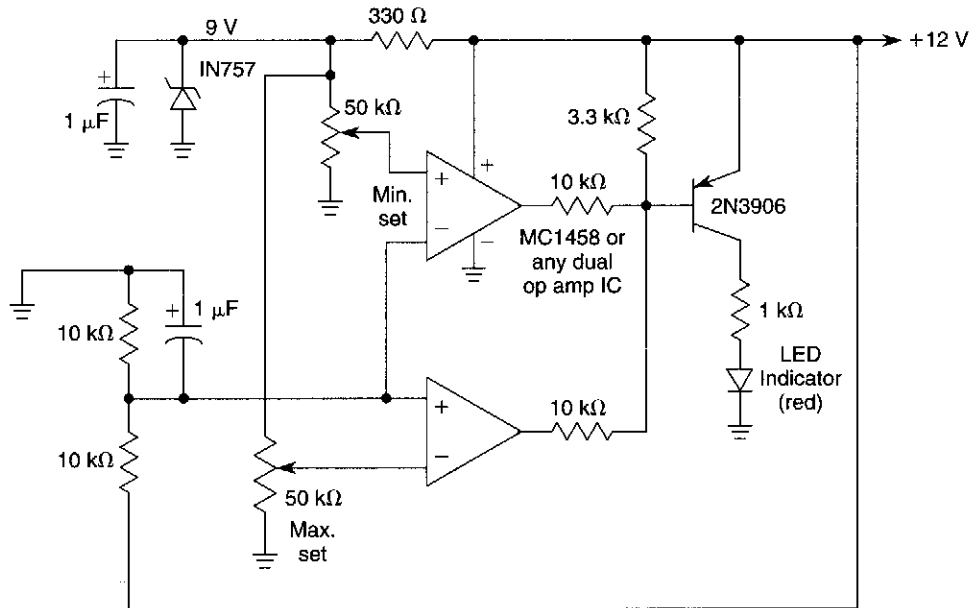
TABLE 1—AUTOMOTIVE ELECTRICAL FAULTS

| Condition            | Normal Voltage | Possible Fault   |
|----------------------|----------------|--|
| Vehicle at rest      | 12.6 volts     | <12.4 volts: bad cell or severely undercharged battery |
| Cranking             | >9 volts       | <9 volts: Weak battery                                 |
| Idling               | >12.8 volts    | <12.8 volts: Not charging; bad alternator or wiring    |
| Running minimum load | >13.4 volts    | <13.4 volts: defective alternator or voltage regulator |
| Running minimum load | <15.2 volts    | >15.2 volts: Overcharging; defective regulator         |
| Running maximum load | >13.4 volts    | <13.4 volts: alternator defective or belt slipping     |



The automotive electrical diagnostic system is built around a Maxim MAX8214ACPE five-stage voltage comparator, which contains a built-in 1.25-volt precision reference, and on-board logic that allows the outputs of two of the comparators to be inverted.

### CAR ALTERNATOR MONITOR (IDIOT LIGHT)

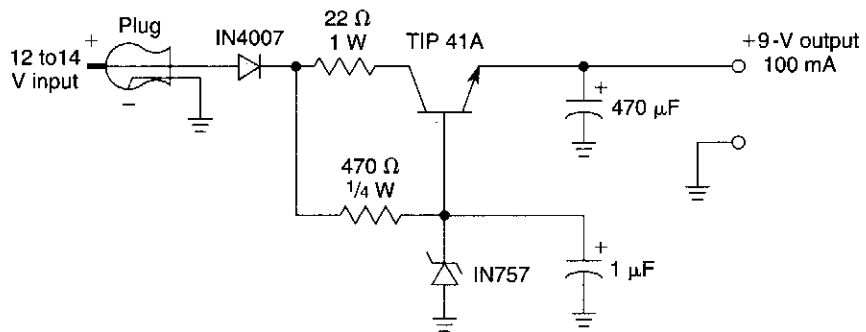


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Fig. 12-3

A window comparator is used to detect a too-low or a too-high system voltage. The minimum and maximum settings are set with two 50-k $\Omega$  pots, as desired.

### CIGARETTE LIGHTER 9-V ADAPTER

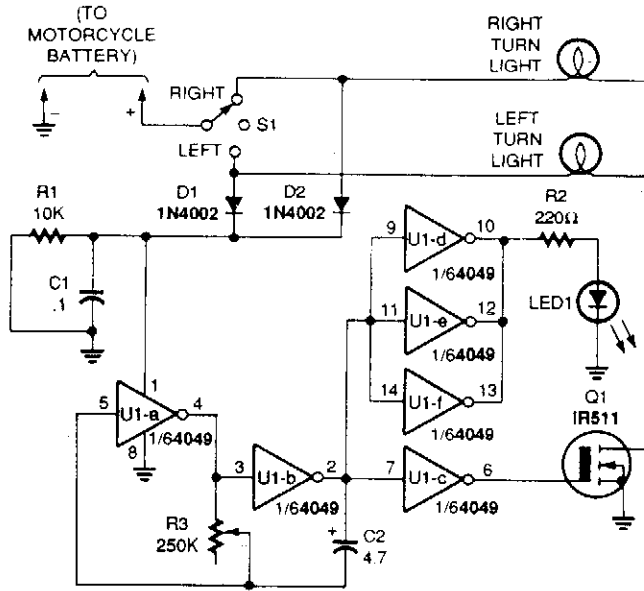


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Fig. 12-4

A simple way to provide +9 V at 100 mA from a 12-V auto source. Applications include small radios, cassettes, etc.

## MOTORCYCLE TURN-SIGNAL SYSTEM

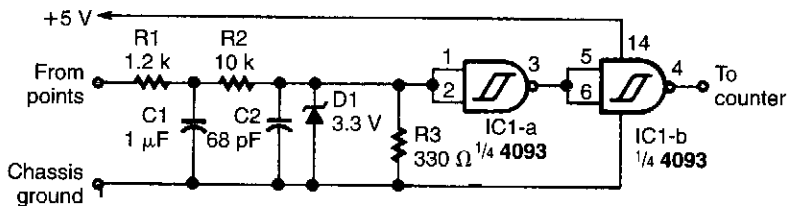


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Fig. 12-5

Tired of making hand signals? Build this simple turn-signal system and keep your hands on the handlebars.

## TACHOMETER SIGNAL-CONDITIONING CIRCUIT

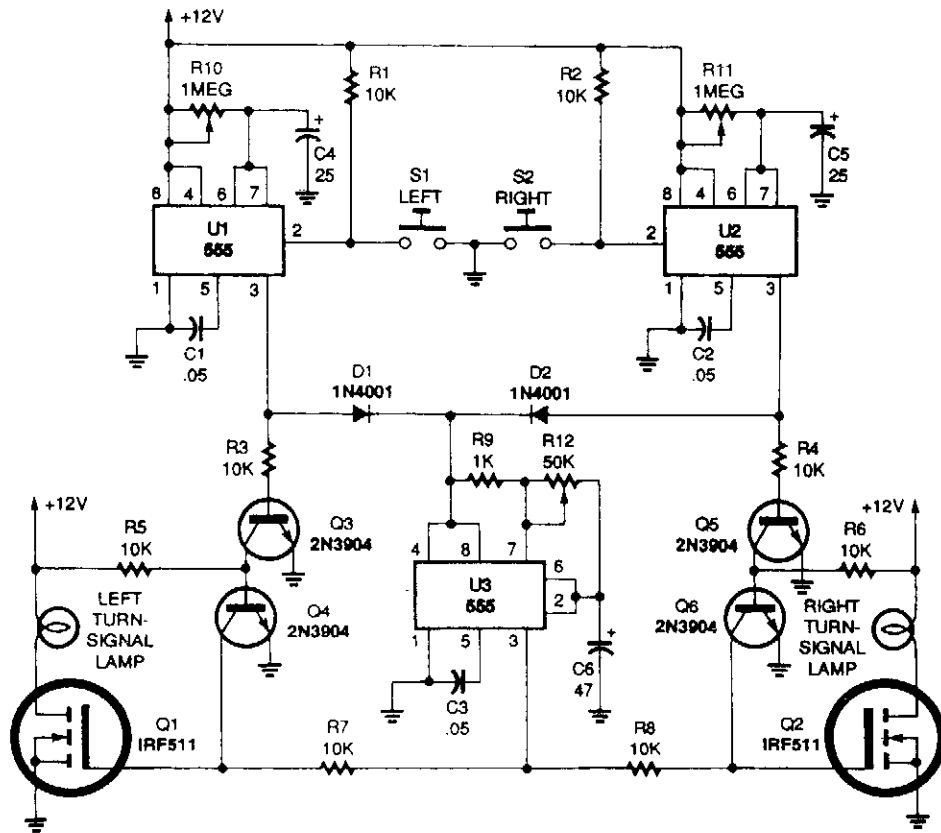


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Fig. 12-6

This circuit, for use with auto tachometers, cleans up the ragged distribution waveform before it is sent to pulse counter circuits.

## SMART TURN SIGNAL FOR AUTOS AND MOTORCYCLES



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Fig. 12-7

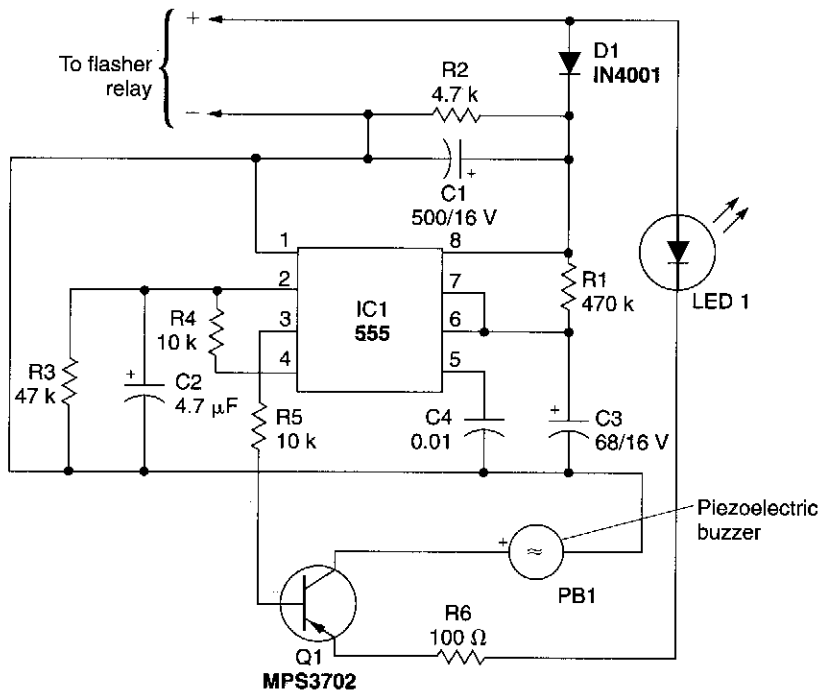
Momentarily pressing S1 starts the left on-time timer and produces a positive output at pin 3 of U1. Power for the on/off signal timer, U3, is supplied through D1.

Also, a positive bias is supplied from U1's output to the base of Q3, turning it on and turning Q4 off. Unclamped Q1 turns the left turn-signal lamp on and off at that same low-frequency rate. Because U2 is not activated, its output at pin 3 is low, keeping Q5 off. With Q5 turned off, Q6 is on, clamping the gate of Q2 to ground and keeping it from responding and supplying an output for the right turn-signal lamp. The left turn signal continues to operate until the U1 timer circuit times out; the right turn signal operates in a similar manner, with U2 setting its operating time.

Potentiometer R10 sets the running time for the left turn signal and R11 sets that for the right turn signal.



## TURN SIGNAL ALARM



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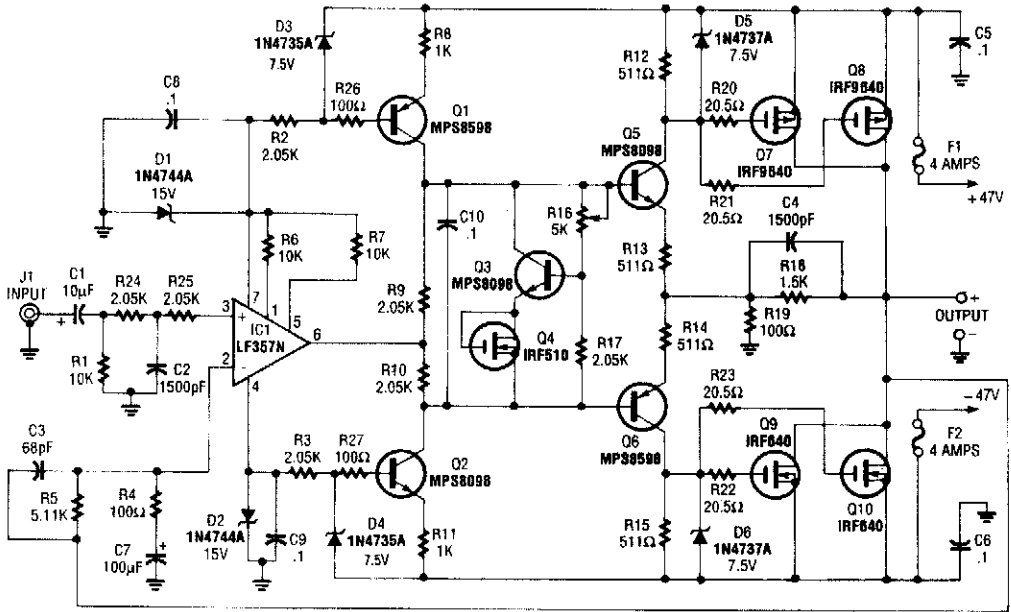
*Fig. 12-8*

This circuit can be used to tell the driver of a vehicle when his or her turn signal has been left on for too long. The circuit consists of IC1, a 555 timer; transistor Q1, and MPS3702 PNP preamp/driver; PB1, a piezoelectric buzzer; along with an assortment of resistors, capacitors, and diodes. The 555 is connected in the monostable mode, requiring only a momentary negative pulse at pin 2 to trigger the timing cycle.

Power for the circuit is picked off the flasher relay and applied to IC1, pin 8, provided by an initially discharged capacitor, C2. After the initial triggering, the voltage across C2 rises as it becomes charged through R4, a 10-k $\Omega$  resistor. This prevents subsequent interference with the delay function caused by false triggering.

Capacitor C3 and resistor R1 determine the delay. With the component values shown, a delay of about one minute will be provided before the intermittent tweet sound generated by the circuit begins. If higher values are used for C2 and R1, a longer delay time will result. The light-emitting diode, LED1, provides a voltage drop to assure complete transistor blocking during the off periods of the flasher. Alternatively, two diodes in series can be used.

## HIGH-POWER AUDIO AMP FOR AUTOMOTIVE INSTALLATION

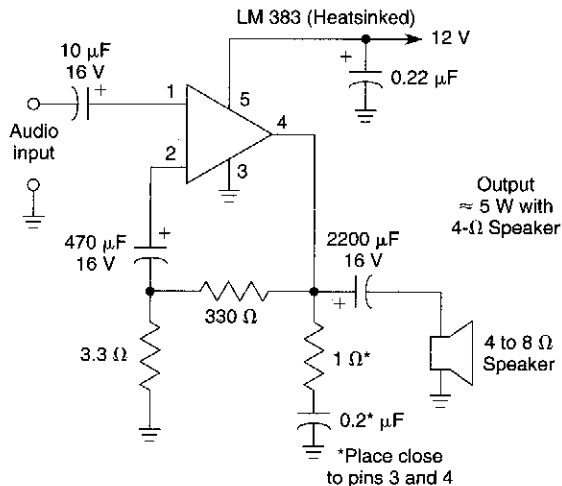


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 12-9

Two of these audio amplifiers can be used to make a stereo amplifier 200 W per channel. IRF640 and IRF9640 power MOSFETs are used to drive the output load, which might be 4 or 8  $\Omega$ . Response is 12 Hz to 45 kHz ( $-3$  dB), THD  $<0.1\%$ . Power is supplied by a switching-type power supply, which is external to the amplifier ( $\pm 47$  V). About 600 W total power (peak) is needed.

## HIGH-POWER 12-V IC AUTO AMPLIFIER



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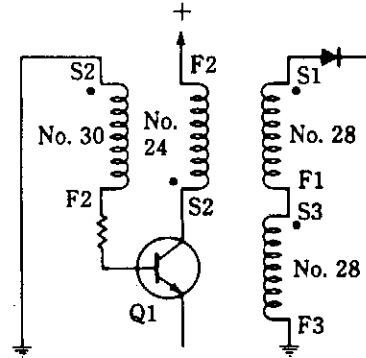
Fig. 12-10



## CAPACITOR DISCHARGE IGNITION SYSTEM (Cont.)

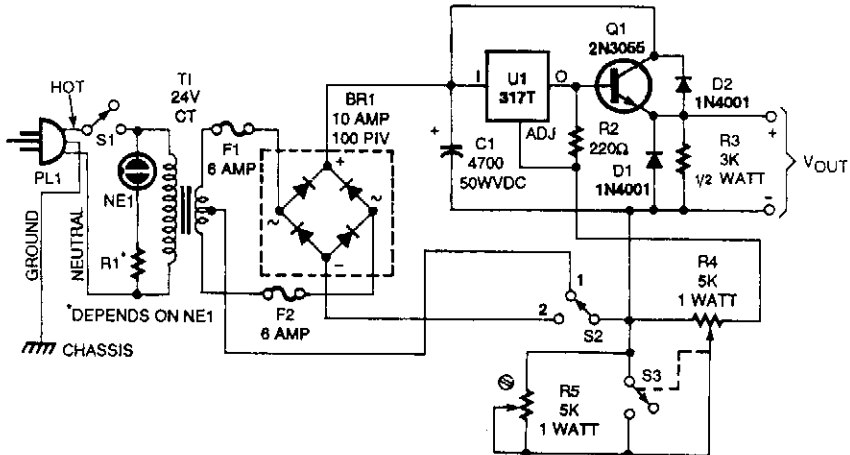
A Parts list

- Q1—2N3055
- Q2—2N3053
- Q3—2N3241
- Q4—2N3241
- Q5—RCA 40657
- D1—1N3193
- D2—1N3195
- D3—1N1763A
- D4—12 V, 1/4 W
- C1—0.25  $\mu$ F, 200 V
- C2—1  $\mu$ F, 400 V
- C3—1  $\mu$ F, 25 V
- C4—0.25  $\mu$ F, 25 V
- F—5A
- L1—10  $\mu$ H, 100 Turns of No. 28 Wire Wound on a 2-W Resistor (100 Ohms or More)
- R1—1000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R2—35 ohms, 5 W
- R3—22,000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R4—1000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R5—18,000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R6—15,000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R7—8200 ohms, 1/2 W
- R8—0.39 megohm, 1/2 W
- R9—220 ohms, 1 W
- R10—1000 ohms, 1/2 W
- R11—68 ohms, 1/2 W
- R12—4700 ohms, 1/2 W
- R13—27,000 ohms, 1/2 W



Details of inverter transformer

## CAR AUDIO POWER SUPPLY

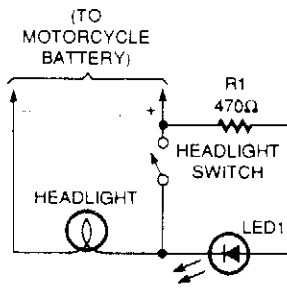


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Fig. 12-12

This supply has a variable output voltage feature and a dual voltage switch, S2. Q1 should be adequately heatsinked.

## MOTORCYCLE HEADLIGHT MONITOR



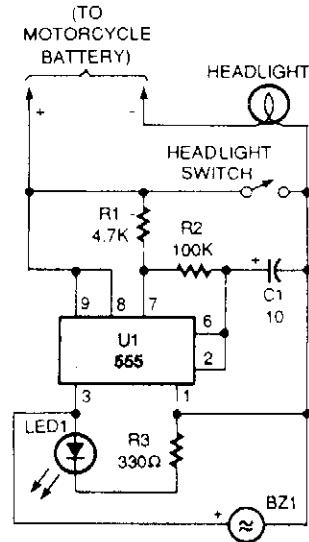
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 12-13

The headlight on most newer bikes is keyed on with the ignition switch to guarantee that you are never underway without your headlight being on. However, many older bikes have a factory headlight switch, and a growing number of the newer bikes are owner-modified in the same way.

A simple headlight monitor circuit consists of just an LED and a current-limiting resistor wired across the headlight switch, as shown. When the ignition is on and the headlight switch is off, the LED will glow.

## HEADLIGHT-OFF INDICATOR

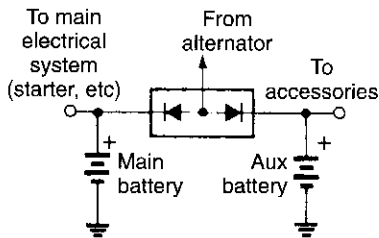


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Fig. 12-14

Increasing the value of  $R_2$  or  $C_1$  will lower the oscillator's frequency and decreasing one of those values will increase the frequency. The IC's output at pin 3 drives the LED through  $R_3$  and sends power to the piezo sounder. Use a bright LED so that you will be able to see it in the daytime.

## AUTO BATTERY ISOLATOR CIRCUIT

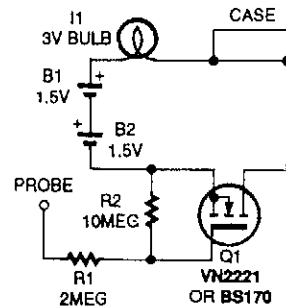


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Fig. 12-15

The diodes ensure that current can flow in both batteries from the alternator, but the main battery can't feed the accessory system, nor vice versa.

## AUTOMOTIVE HI-Z TEST LIGHT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 12-16

This test light has a high-input impedance and draws only 1 mA at 12 V.  $Q_1$  switches dc to a battery and lamp circuit.

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## Battery Charger Circuits

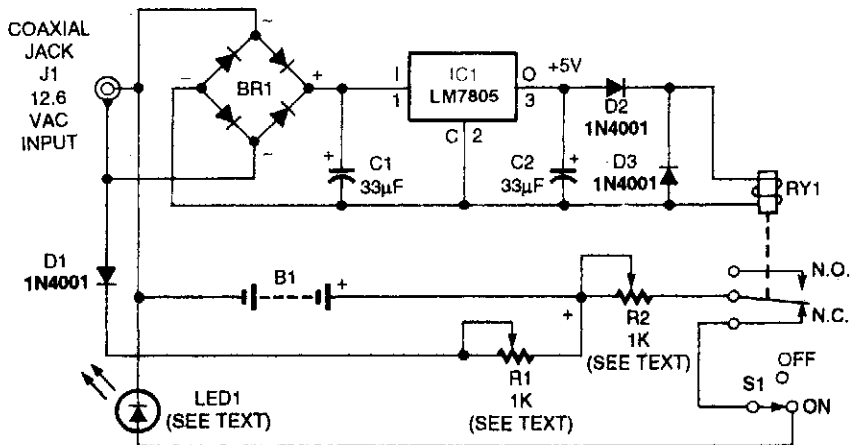
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Smart Battery Charger
- Rechargeable LED Flashlight
- Battery Charger Controller
- Single-Cell Lithium Battery Charger
- Battery-Charging Current Limiter
- Three-Cell Lithium Charger
- NiCad Battery Charger
- Backup Battery Monitor/Charger/Alarm
- NiCad Charger/Zapper
- 2- to 5-Cell Lithium Battery Charger
- Lead-Acid Trickle Charger
- NiCad Battery Charger



## RECHARGEABLE LED FLASHLIGHT

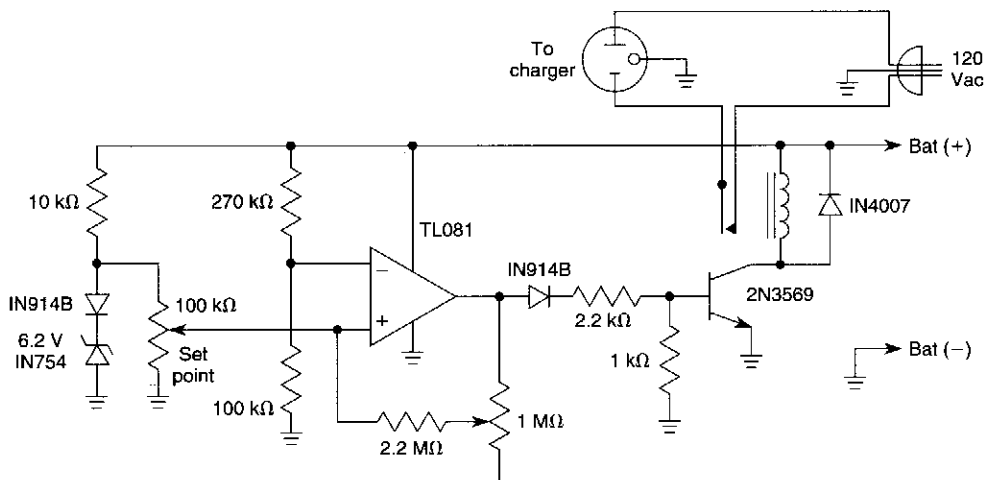


ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 13-2

This flashlight is useful for applications where night vision and/or darkness adaptation must be maintained. It uses an HLMP8150 T4 LED with a wavelength of 637 nm. This schematic is for the flashlight module. When the battery pack consisting of the four NiCad cells is fully charged (and there is no voltage at J1), 4.8 Vdc flows through trimmer potentiometer R2, the normally closed contact of relay RY1, and push-on/push-off power switch A1. Trimmer R2 limits the current flowing through LED1. Switch S1 can turn LED1 on and off when the battery is not being charged.

## BATTERY CHARGER CONTROLLER



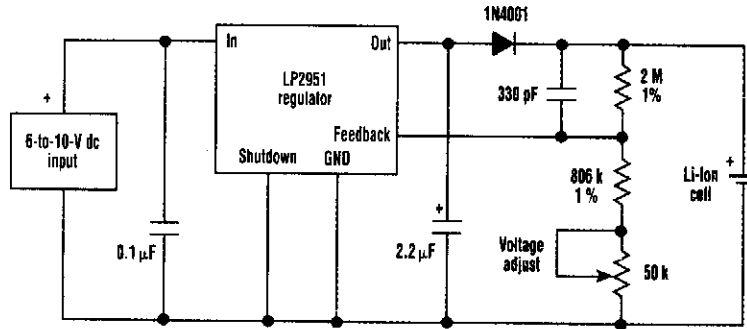
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Fig. 13-3

When the battery voltage is low, the TL081 comparator produces a high output, turning on the 2N3569 relay driver. As the battery voltage approaches the set point, the relay driver is cut off, opening the 120-Vac supply.



## SINGLE-CELL LITHIUM BATTERY CHARGER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

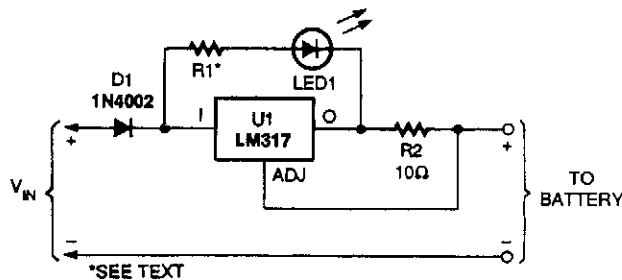
Fig. 13-4

An LP2951 regulator was chosen for this single lithium cell-charging circuit for its built-in current-limiting capability. In addition, the regulator's output voltage is extremely stable, which is a prerequisite for lithium battery charging. This figure details an example circuit designed to recharge a single cell. The required output set voltage was specified as 4.200 V ( $\pm 0.025$  V) with a maximum charging current of about 150 mA.

An LP2951 regulator was selected for two reasons. One is that its built-in current limiter holds the maximum current to 160 mA (typical). The other is because the output voltage can be very accurately set to 4.200 V, thanks to the regulator's stable internal bandgap reference.

The 1.23-V reference appears between the feedback pin and ground, which causes a precise current to flow in the output resistive-divider string. The amount of current flowing in these resistors determines (sets) the charger output voltage that appears across the battery terminals. Large-value resistors keep the battery drain below 2  $\mu$ A when the dc input is removed (a customer requirement). A trimming potentiometer sets the output to 4.200 V. It must be adjusted when the battery isn't connected to the charger output. A blocking diode is required at the LP2951's output to prevent current from flowing out of the battery and back into the output when the dc-input source is removed. Because the diode is in series with the output, the minimum input-output voltage differential required for this circuit to operate is about 1.5 V.

## BATTERY-CHARGING CURRENT LIMITER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 13-5

This circuit uses an LM317 as a current regulator to limit charging current to a lead-acid battery. R2 should produce a 1.2-V drop at the desired limiting value of charging current.

### THREE-CELL LITHIUM CHARGER

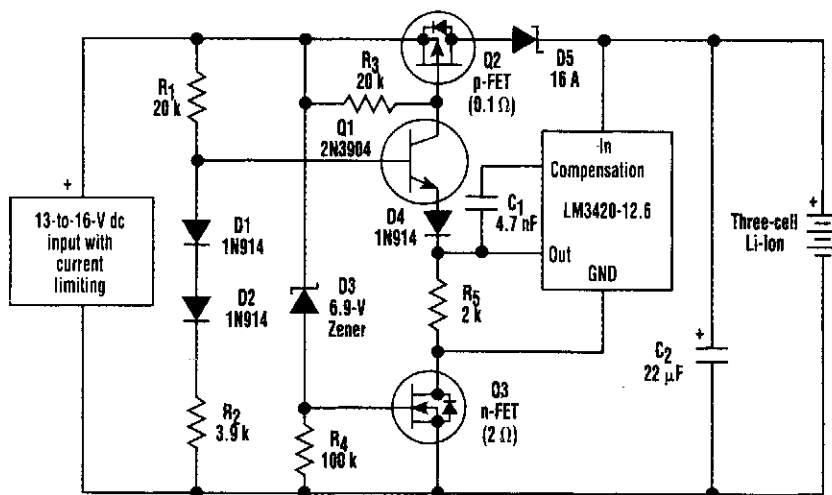


Fig. 13-6

#### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This 3-A, three-cell charging circuit for lithium batteries includes a built-in on/off switch made up of Q3, R4, and D3. When a dc input is present, D3 turns on Q3, which allows current to flow through the LM3411 and Q1. If dc voltage is removed, Q3 turns off, cutting battery drain to zero.

### NICAD BATTERY CHARGER

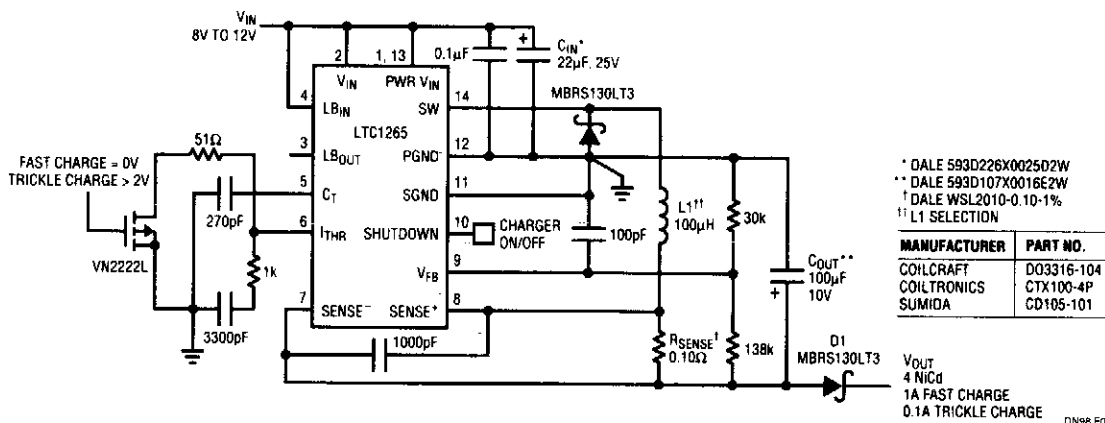
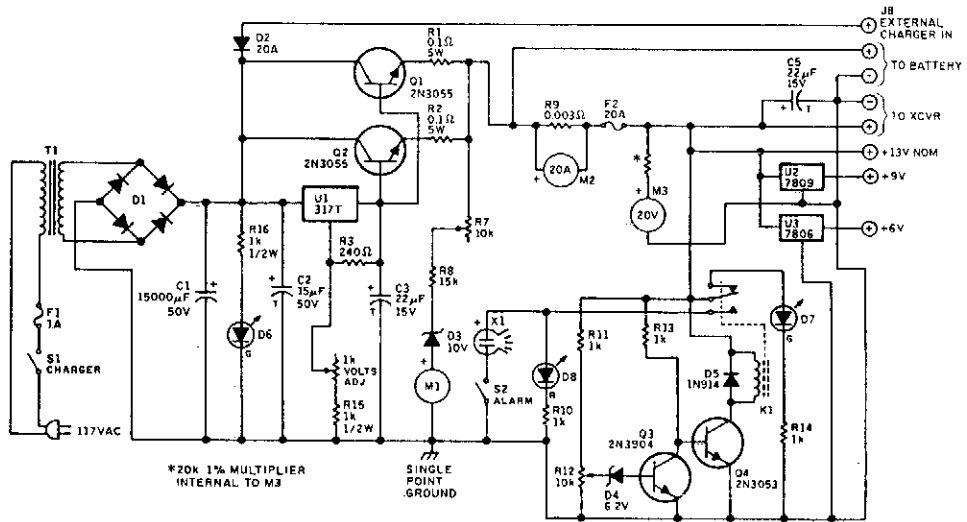


Fig. 13-7

#### LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

The LTC1265 is configured as a battery charger for a four-NiCad stack. It has the capability of performing a fast charge of 1 A, a trickle charge of 100 mA, or the charger can be shut off. In shut-off, diode D1 serves two purposes. First, it prevents the LTC1265 circuitry from drawing battery current and second, it eliminates "back powering" the LTC1265, which avoids a potential latch condition at power up.

## BACKUP BATTERY MONITOR/CHARGER/ALARM



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Fig. 13-8

### Battery Condition Meter Calibration

|              | Lead-Acid Battery |              | Lead Calcium Battery |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| <b>Color</b> | <b>Voltage</b>    | <b>Color</b> | <b>Voltage</b>       |
| Red          | 11.6 and below    | Red          | 11.6 and below       |
| Yellow       | 11.6 to 12.0      | Yellow       | 11.6 to 12.0         |
| Green        | 12.0 to 13.8      | Green        | 12.0 to 13.5         |
| Red          | 13.8 and higher   | Red          | 13.5 and higher      |

Charging voltage is constant at the normal full-charge level, so the charging current drops as full charge is approached, and full charge is maintained with a trickle current. The charging voltage can be adjusted between approximately 10 and 15 Vdc to accommodate lead-acid (13.8 V) or lead-calcium (13.2 V, 13.5 V maximum) deep-cycle storage batteries.

A separate connection is provided so that an external charger can be used when greater than 3 A is needed to charge a partially discharged battery. Internal circuitry will maintain the charging voltage to the battery at the nominal full-charge voltage level, regardless of the voltage supplied by the external charger, which will be 2 V or more greater than that applied by the regulator to the storage battery. Warning: do not fast-charge deep-cycle storage batteries!

A pair of meters calibrated to indicate 20 Vdc and 20 Adc full-scale monitor voltage and current when battery power is used.

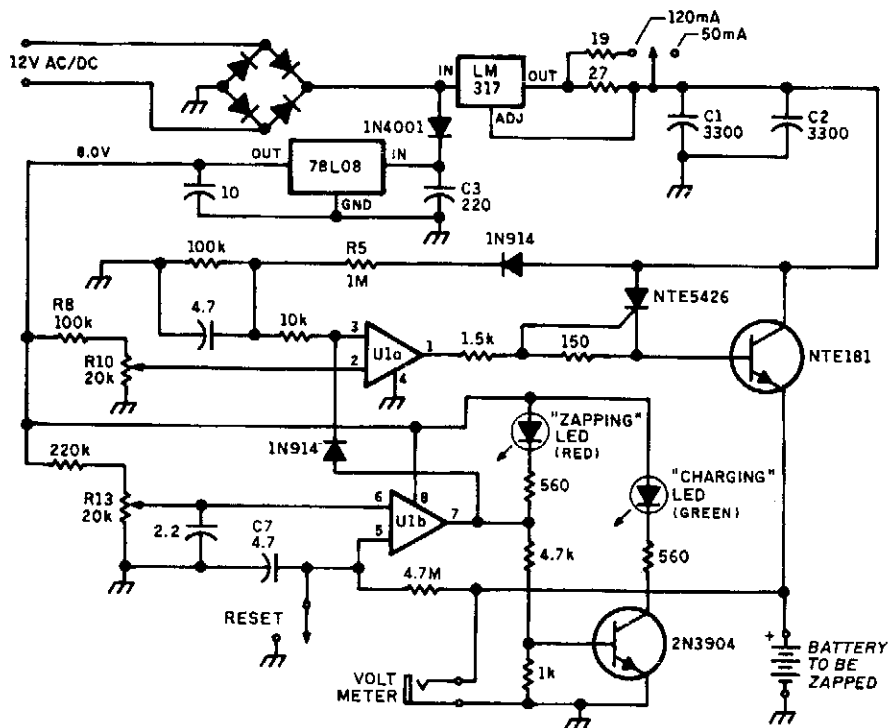
A separate, suppressed zero, expanded-scale meter calibrated over the range of about 10 to 15 Vdc allows immediate and constant indication of the state of charge of the station's backup battery. This meter scale is calibrated in bands of red, yellow, and green, as explained in the table. The narrow yellow segment is based on the assumption that solid-state transceivers might not operate properly below +12 Vdc. The internal power supply is used to calibrate this meter. A DMM should be used for greatest accuracy.

## BACKUP BATTERY MONITOR/CHARGER/ALARM (Cont.)

An alarm circuit is included to indicate when the battery has been discharged by 60 percent to the 11.6-Vdc level. When battery voltage is above 11.6 V, the green LED will be illuminated; when voltage falls to 11.6 V, the green LED goes out and the red LED lights. A piezo audible alarm sounds at this low-voltage level unless silenced by the toggle switch controlling it.

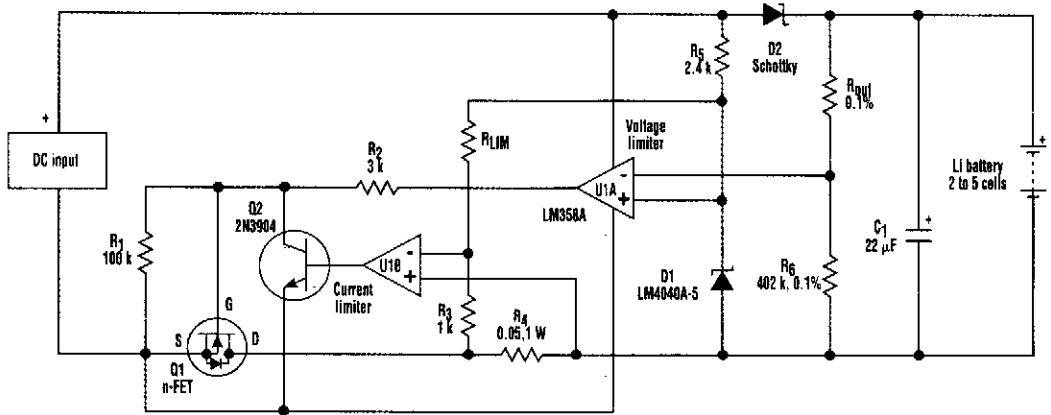
A pair of fixed three-terminal regulators are included to provide +9 and +6 Vdc.

## NICAD CHARGER/ZAPPER



The NiCad charger/zapper has a built-in charger and zapper circuit to clear shorted NiCads. This circuit delivers a high-current pulse to trim out internal shorts.

## 2- TO 5-CELL LITHIUM BATTERY CHARGER

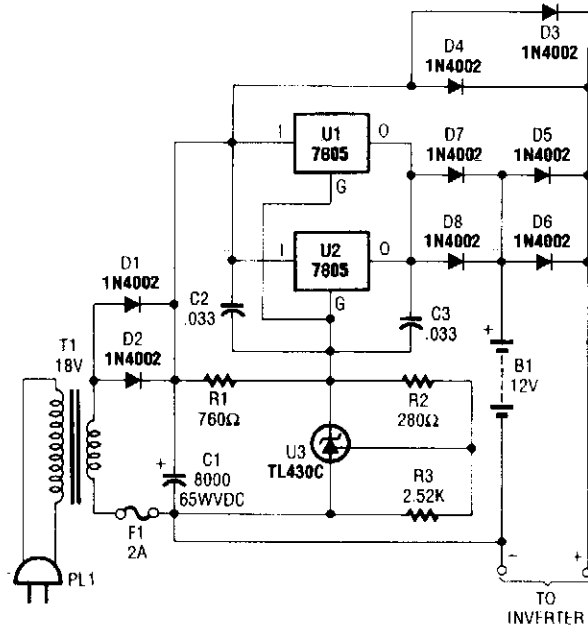


**Fig. 13-10**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

A more generally applicable circuit-design concept for recharging lithium batteries could easily accommodate different cell types and various numbers of cells. That's because both the charger output-voltage set point and current limit, or maximum charging current, can be adjusted by simply changing a resistor.

## LEAD-ACID TRICKLE CHARGER



**Fig. 13-11**

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This lead-acid battery trickle charger can be used as a stand-alone circuit (for alarm systems and such) or combined with the circuit in the figure to create an emergency lighting system.



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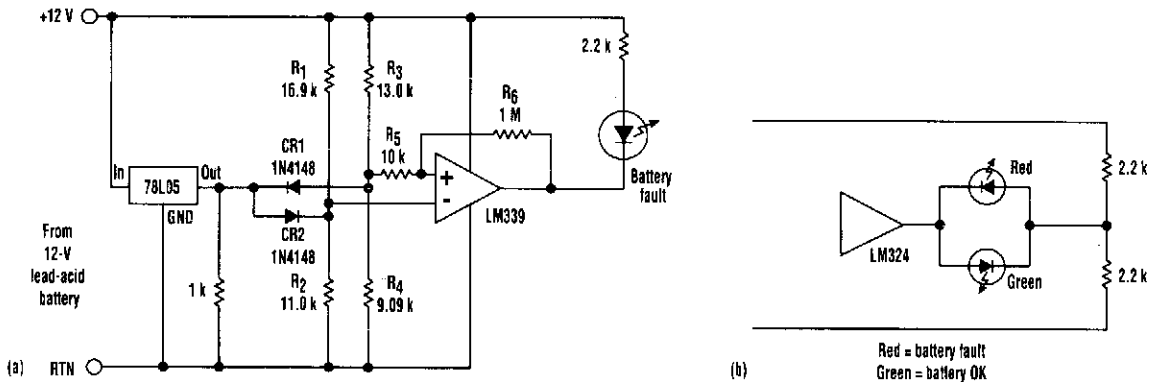
## Battery Monitor Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Battery Monitor
- Battery Butler
- Undervoltage Indicator for Single Cell
- Battery Charger Probe
- Low-Battery Circuit
- Battery Charge Indicator
- Battery Status Indicator
- Lithium Memory Backup Replacement
- Battery-Condition Indicator for 12-V Batteries

## BATTERY MONITOR



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 14-1**

One typical application for the detector involves monitoring a lead-acid battery. It indicates a fault when the battery voltage is outside an 11- to 14-V window. Because the circuit is powered by the battery, the input and reference were switched to keep the comparator inputs within its common-mode range.

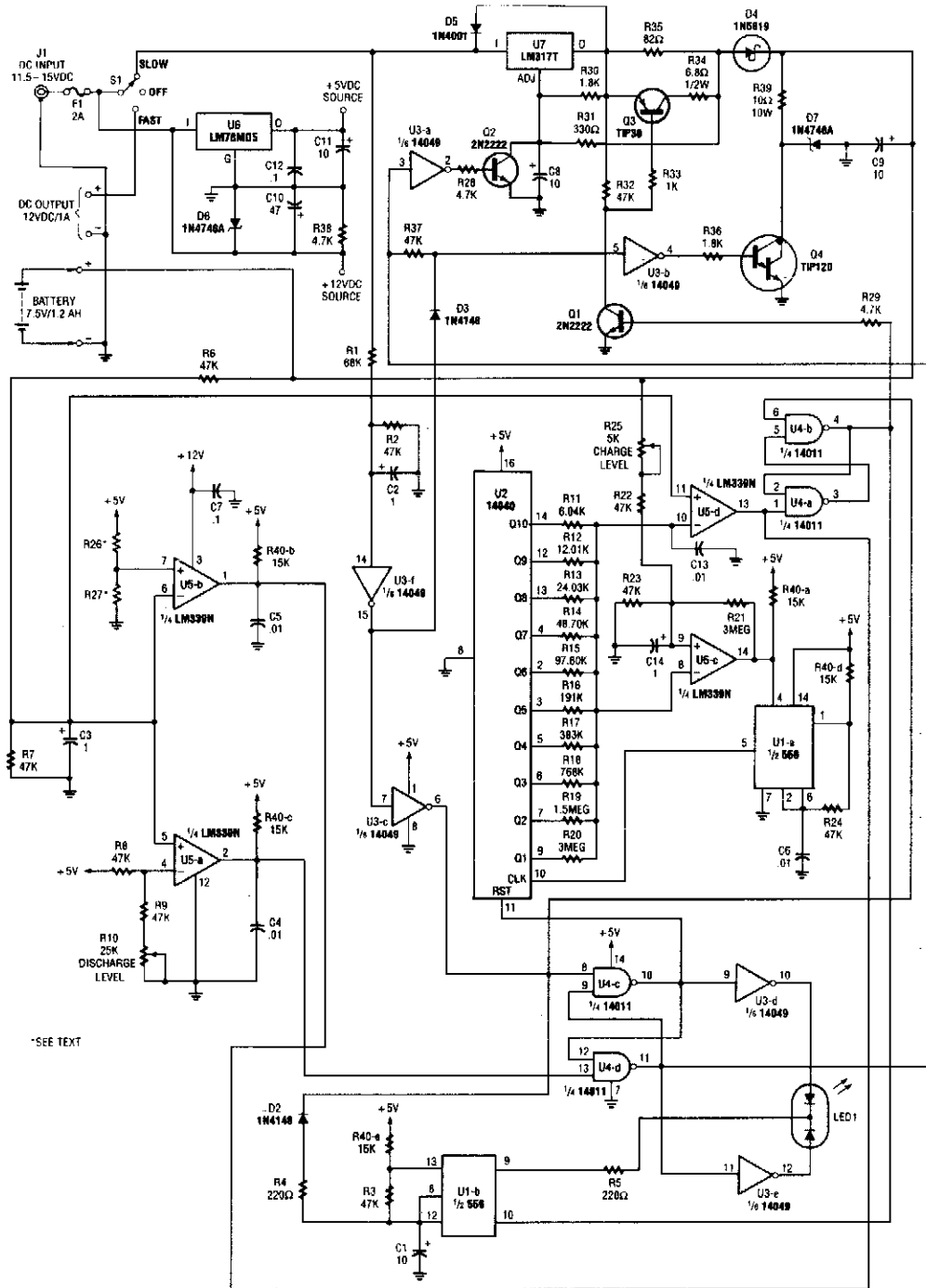
The circuit's reference is 5.0 V. The resistor values in divider, R<sub>1</sub>/R<sub>2</sub> were selected to produce 5.5 V at the inverting input when the battery voltage is 14.0 V. Divider R<sub>3</sub>/R<sub>4</sub> is set to produce 4.5 V at the noninverting input when the battery voltage is equal to 11.0 V.

When the battery voltage is within the window, the noninverting input is more positive than the inverting input which is clamped at 4.5 V by CR2, the noninverting input continues below that, the comparator's output goes low, and the LED turns on. When the battery voltage rises above 14 V, the noninverting input is clamped at 5.5 V by CR1, the inverting input continues above that, the comparator output again goes low, and the LED turns on. Resistors R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> show that hysteresis might be added to this circuit in a conventional manner.

If an op amp, such as an LM324 is used as the comparator, two LEDs can be implemented. The green LED will turn on when the battery voltage is within the window, and the red LED turns on when the battery voltage is outside the window.



# BATTERY BUTLER

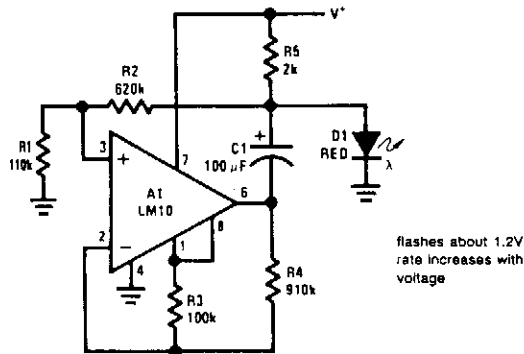


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## BATTERY BUTLER (Cont.)

The battery butler solves the common problems associated with the maintenance and operation of NiCad batteries. The battery butler, by initially discharging a NiCad battery to a preset point, reduces the possibility of the "memory" effect occurring. Once discharged, a battery is then usually charged at 25% and reduce the internal cell pressure increase by 40% or more. Once the battery is fully charged, a trickle charge is provided to maintain the battery in a fully charged state. The battery butler circuit can be bypassed, and the existing fast-charger used, if needed.

### UNDervoltage INDICATOR FOR SINGLE CELL



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Fig. 14-3

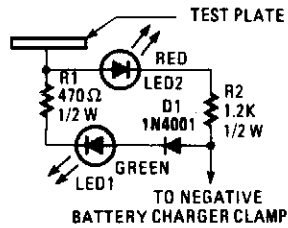
When operating with a single cell, it is necessary to incorporate switching circuitry to develop sufficient voltage to drive the LED. A circuit that accomplishes this is drawn in the figure shown. Basically, it is a voltage-controlled asymmetrical multivibrator with a minimum operating threshold given by:

$$V_{TH} = \frac{R_4 (R_1 + R_2)}{R_1 (R_3 + R_4)} V_{REF}$$

Above this threshold, the flash frequency increases with voltage. This is a far more noticeable indication of a deteriorating battery than merely dimming the LED. In addition, the indicator can be made visible with considerably less power drain. With the values shown, the flash rate is 1.4 sec -1 at 1.2 V with 300-μA drain and 5.5 sec -1 at 1.55 V with 800-μA drain. Equivalent visibility for continuous operation would require more than 5-mA drain.

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## BATTERY CHARGER PROBE



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Fig. 14-4

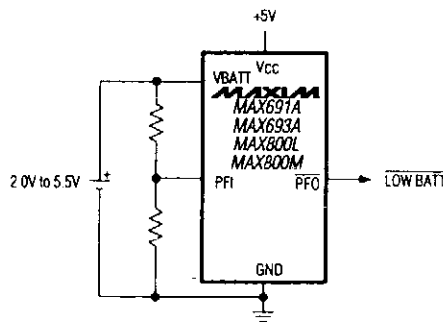
This battery-charger probe can keep you from damaging batteries or yourself by testing to see if the charger is already on and/or connected improperly.

To use the probe, the positive cable clamp is first connected to the positive battery terminal. Then, the test plate is touched to the negative terminal of the battery. If the battery is connected properly, current will pass from the test plate through R1, LED1, D1, the negative charger, and into the positive side of the batteries. If LED1 (the green LED) lights, you can clamp on the negative lead and turn on the charger.

If the terminals are reversed, current will flow in the opposite direction, causing LED2 to light, warning you of danger. When the cable is reversed, D1 protects LED1 from excessive reverse voltage. If that happens, immediately turn the power off, and right the cable connections. Finally, if the battery charger is on, both LEDs will light because chargers actually produce pulsating dc and rely on the battery to act as a filter.

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## LOW-BATTERY CIRCUIT

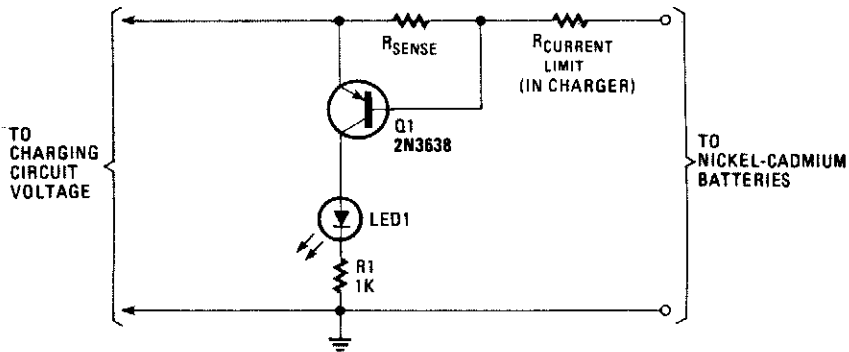


MAXIM

Fig. 14-5

A Maxim MAX691A series IC allows low-battery detection.

## BATTERY CHARGE INDICATOR



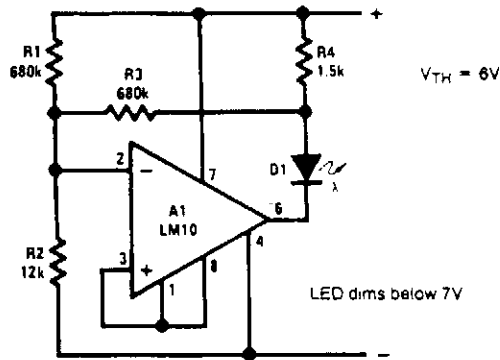
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Fig. 14-6

When a battery is charging, a voltage drop across  $R_{\text{SENSE}}$  causes Q1 to conduct, and lights LED1.  $R_{\text{SENSE}}$  should be chosen as follows:

$$R_{\text{SENSE}} \text{ (ohms)} = \frac{0.65}{I_{\text{CHARGE}} \text{ (amps)}}$$

## BATTERY STATUS INDICATOR



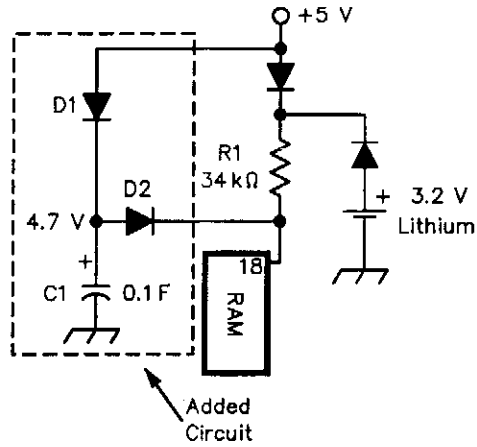
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Fig. 14-7

In battery-powered circuitry, there are some advantages to having an indicator to show when the battery voltage is high enough for proper circuit operation. This is especially true for instruments that can produce erroneous data.

The battery status indicator is designed for a 9-V source. It begins dimming noticeably below 7 V and it extinguishes at 6 V. If the warning of incipient battery failure is not desired, R3 can be removed and the value of  $R_1$  is halved.

## LITHIUM MEMORY BACKUP BATTERY REPLACEMENT

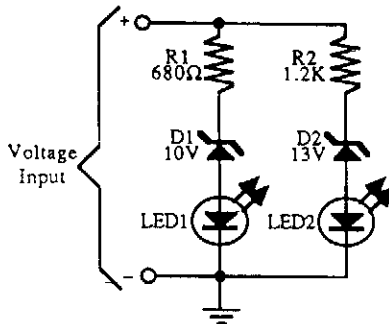


QST

Fig. 14-8

Physically very small high-capacitance capacitors are available for memory backup. Here, a 0.1-F (100,000  $\mu\text{F}$ ) capacitor and two diodes replace the lithium battery. The lithium battery can be retained as well, providing double backup.

## BATTERY-CONDITION INDICATOR FOR 12-V BATTERIES



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Fig. 14-9

A simple battery condition indicator. Choose the Zener diodes to provide a "window" for over/under voltage indication.

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## Bridge Circuits

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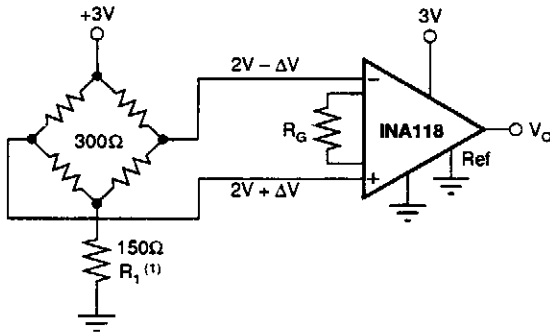
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Single-Supply Bridge Amplifier

Wheatstone Bridge

Bridge Amplifier with Low Noise Compensation

## SINGLE-SUPPLY BRIDGE AMPLIFIER



| DESIRED GAIN | $R_G$ ( $\Omega$ ) | NEAREST 1% $R_G$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1            | NC                 | NC                            |
| 2            | 50.00k             | 49.9k                         |
| 5            | 12.50k             | 12.4k                         |
| 10           | 5.556k             | 5.62k                         |
| 20           | 2.632k             | 2.61k                         |
| 50           | 1.02k              | 1.02k                         |
| 100          | 505.1              | 511                           |
| 200          | 251.3              | 249                           |
| 500          | 100.2              | 100                           |
| 1000         | 50.05              | 49.9                          |
| 2000         | 25.01              | 24.9                          |
| 5000         | 10.00              | 10                            |
| 10000        | 5.001              | 4.99                          |

NOTE: (1)  $R_1$  required to create proper common-mode voltage, only for low voltage operation — see text.

BURR-BROWN

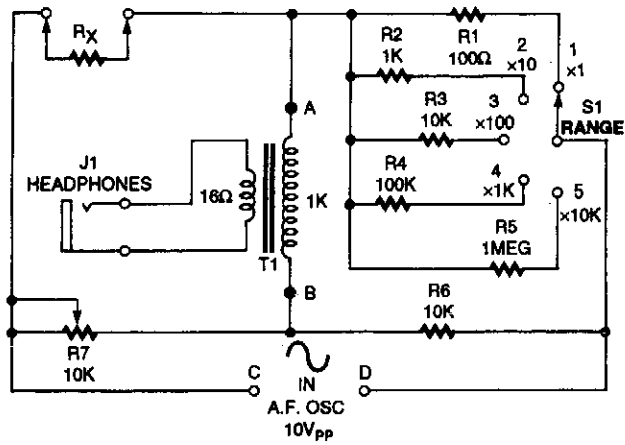
Fig. 15-1

The INA118 can be used on single-power supplies of +2.7 to +36 V. The figure shown is a basic single-supply circuit. The output Ref terminal is connected to ground. Zero differential input voltage will demand an output voltage of 0 V (ground). Actual output voltage swing is limited to approximately 35 mV above ground, when the load is referred to ground as shown. The typical performance curve "Output Voltage vs. Output Current" shows how the output voltage swing varies with output current.

With single-supply operation,  $+V_{IN}$  and  $-V_{IN}$  must both be 1.1 V above ground for linear operation. You cannot, for instance, connect the inverting input to ground and measure a voltage connected to the noninverting input.

To illustrate the issues affecting low-voltage operation, consider the circuit in the figure. It shows the INA118, operating from a single 3-V supply. A resistor in series with the low side of the bridge ensures that the bridge output voltage is within the common-mode range of the amplifier's inputs.

## WHEATSTONE BRIDGE



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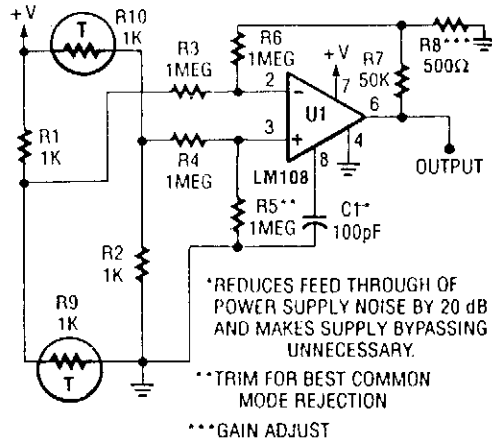
Fig. 15-2

This circuit can be used to measure resistances. R7 is calibrated and fitted with an indicator dial, then:

$$\frac{R_x}{(R_1 \text{ through } R_5)} = \frac{R_7}{R_6} \text{ or } R_x = \frac{R_7}{R_6} \times (R_1 \text{ through } R_5)$$

A frequency of 1 kHz for the audio oscillator is usually used.

## BRIDGE AMPLIFIER WITH LOW NOISE COMPENSATION



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Fig. 15-3



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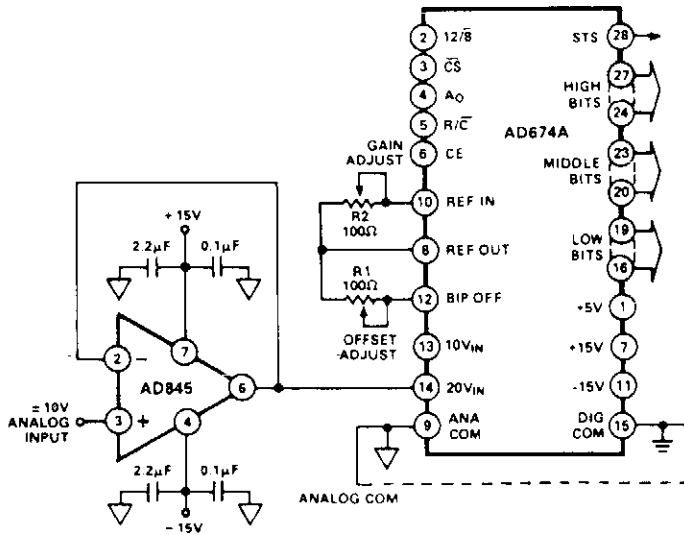
## Buffer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Unity-Gain ADC Buffer  
HI-Z Microphone Buffer Amplifier  
Wideband General-Purpose Buffer  
ADC Buffer  
Single-Supply ac Buffer Amplifier  
Analog Noninverting Switched Buffer  
Voltage Follower  
Simple Bidirectional Buffer Design  
Buffer for A/D Converters

## UNITY-GAIN ADC BUFFER

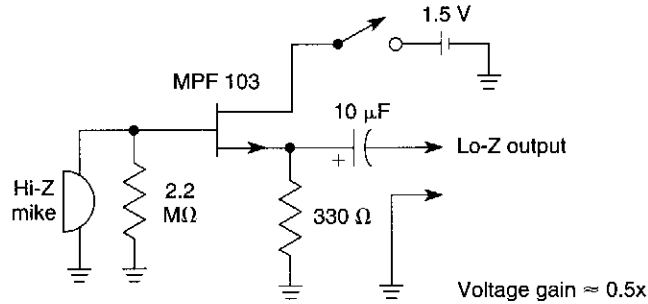


ANALOG DEVICES

**Fig. 16-1**

This buffer is suitable for ADCs of 12 bits with conversion times of 5  $\mu$ s or greater. The wide bandwidth of the AD845 ensures a low output impedance at higher frequencies in the voltage follower (buffer) configuration.

## HI-Z MICROPHONE BUFFER AMPLIFIER

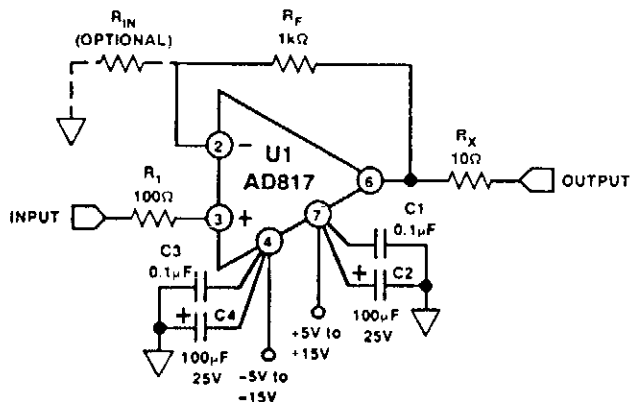


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**Fig. 16-2**

A low impedance output from a high-Z microphone can be obtained with this circuit. No voltage gain is obtained, but a power gain is obtained because the output impedance is much lower (300  $\Omega$ ), with -6-dB voltage gain.

## WIDEBAND GENERAL-PURPOSE BUFFER

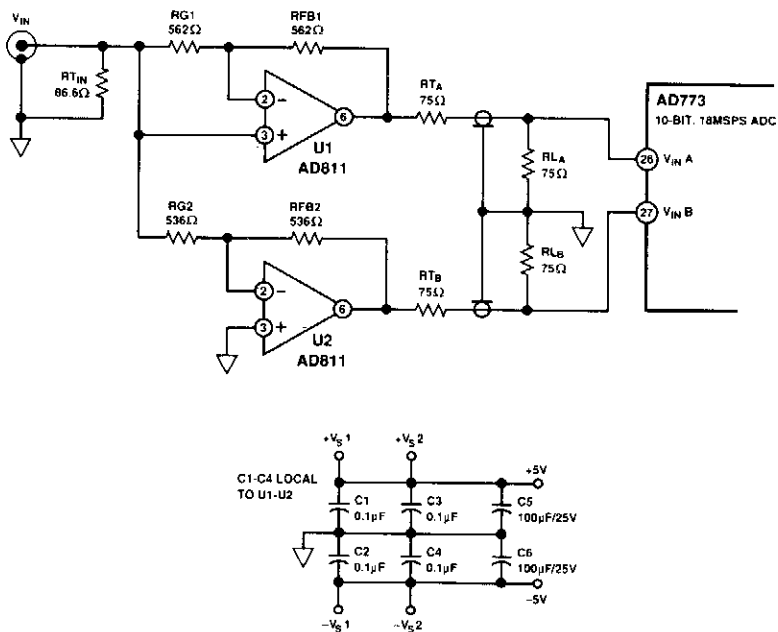


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 16-3

This circuit has unity gain and response up to 70 MHz. U1 is an Analog Devices AD817.

## ADC BUFFER

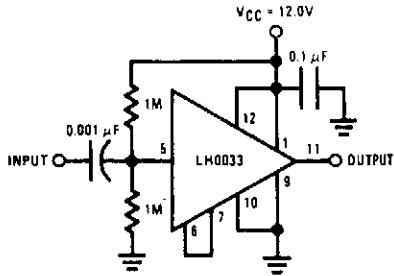


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 16-4

Useful for driving high-speed, 10-bit ADCs, this circuit was developed to drive an 18-MSPS 10-bit ADS. It works from  $\pm 5V$  supplies.

## SINGLE-SUPPLY ac BUFFER AMPLIFIER

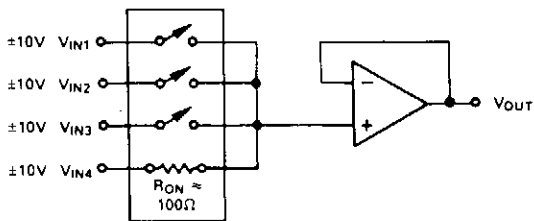


This buffer might be used with a single supply without special considerations. The input is dc biased to mid-operating point and is ac coupled. Its input impedance is approximately 500 kΩ at low frequencies. Note that for dc loads referenced to ground, this quiescent current is increased by the load current set at the input dc bias voltage.

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Fig. 16-5

## ANALOG NONINVERTING SWITCHED BUFFER

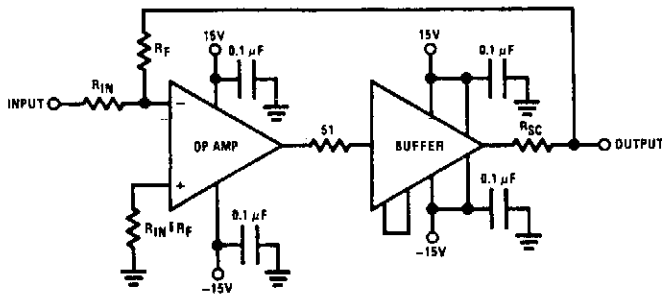


Here is noninverting solution.

ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 16-6

## VOLTAGE FOLLOWER



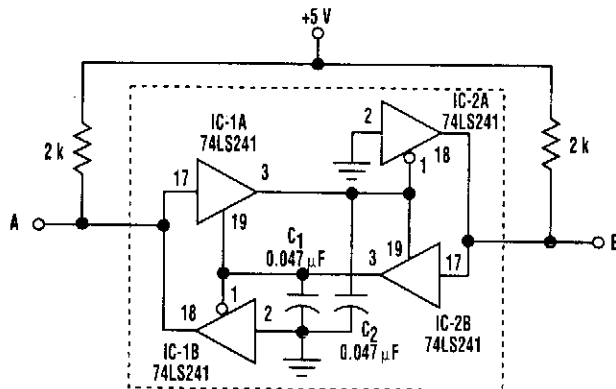
| Op Amp                              | Recommended Buffer |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| LM101, LM108, LM741, LF151          | LH0002             |
| LH0022, LH0042, LH0052              |                    |
| LF155, LF156, LF157, LH0024, LH0032 | LH0033             |
| LH0024, LH0032                      | LH0063             |

$R_{SC} \leq \frac{V_S}{I_{SC}}$

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Fig. 16-7

## SIMPLE BIDIRECTIONAL BUFFER DESIGN

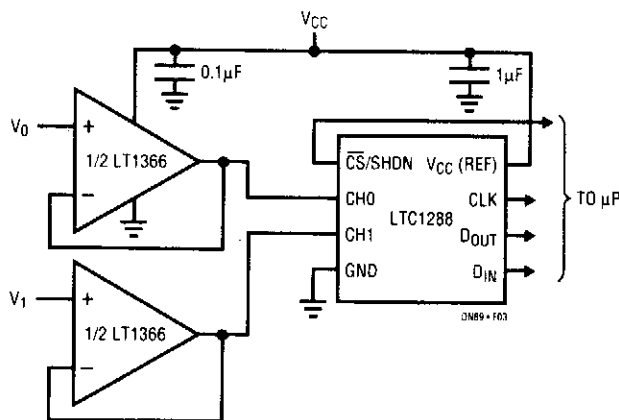


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 16-8**

This circuit shown in the figure uses two 74LS241s. When both input/output lines are high, IC-1A and IC-2B turn on, and C1 and C2 are charged to high voltage. Meanwhile, IC-1B and IC-2A are off to prevent a logic "1" latch.

## BUFFER FOR A/D CONVERTERS



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 16-9**

This circuit uses an LT1366 driving an LTC1288 two-channel micropower A/D. The LTC1288 can accommodate voltage references and input signals equal to the supply rails. The sampling nature of this A/D eliminates the need for an external sample-and-hold, but might call for a drive amplifier because of the A/D's 12- $\mu$ s settling requirement. The LT1366's rail-to-rail operation and low-input offset voltage make it well suited for low-power, low-frequency A/D applications. In addition, the op-amp's output settles to 1% in response to a 3-mA load step through 100 pF in less than 1.5  $\mu$ s.

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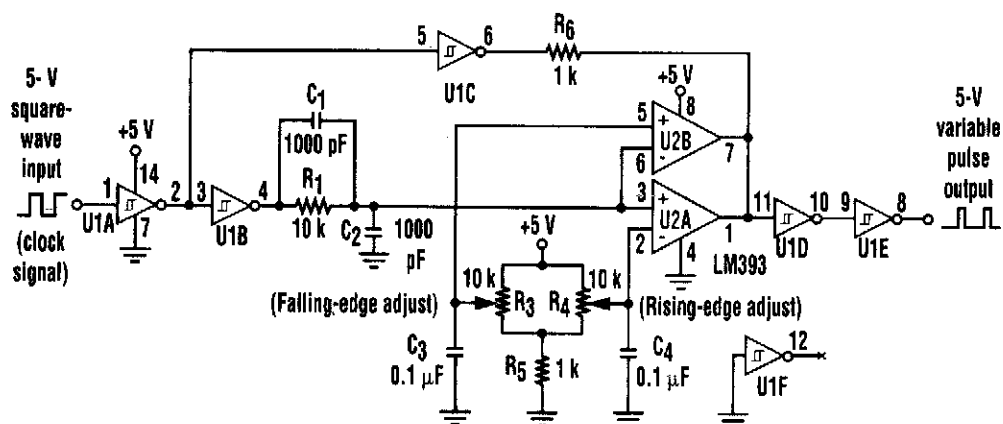
## Clock Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Set Time Windows within a Clock  
Low-Frequency Clock

## SET TIME WINDOWS WITHIN A CLOCK



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 17-1

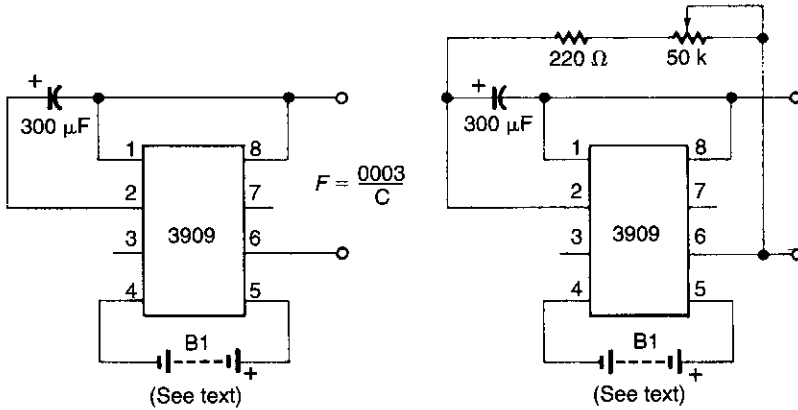
At times, it is necessary to produce pulses of adjustable width and whose start times might vary with reference to a master clock. The input signal is inverted and buffered by U1A, while U1B and U1C reinvert the signal to produce square, buffered renditions of the input signal. Potentiometers R3 and R4 set references for the comparators.

The input polarity of U2A keeps its output transistor turned on until the voltage at the noninverting input exceeds the reference set by R4 (the rising edge adjustment). When this reference voltage is exceeded, the output transistor is turned off and the output signal is pulled up via R6. Meanwhile, the input polarity of U2B keeps its output transistor turned off until the voltage at the inverting input exceeds the reference set by R3 (the falling edge adjustment). When this reference voltage is surpassed, the output transistor of U2B is turned on, pulling the output signal low through the wired-OR configuration of U2. The output of U2 is then double-inverted and buffered by U1D and U1E. What results is a pulse whose start time (rising edge) can be adjusted by R4, and whose stop time (falling edge) can be adjusted by R3.

The output of the comparators is pulled up to the input waveform through resistor R6 to U1C. This prevents the comparators from switching during the low cycle of the input waveform, regardless of the positions of R3 and R4. This has the effect of "locking out" changes during the low period of the input signal, and would probably require additional logic if it were done strictly in the digital domain.

The circuit, with the component values shown, works well between about 50 and 150 kHz.

## LOW-FREQUENCY CLOCK



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Fig. 17-2

The LM3909 is an LED flasher IC that is designed to oscillate at low frequencies. The clock output of the first circuit can be changed by changing the value of the capacitor, and the second circuit lets you adjust the frequency with the trimmer. B1 can be one or two alkaline 1.5-V cells. The LM3909 can supply up to 45-mA pulses at greater than 2 V.



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## Computer-Related Circuits

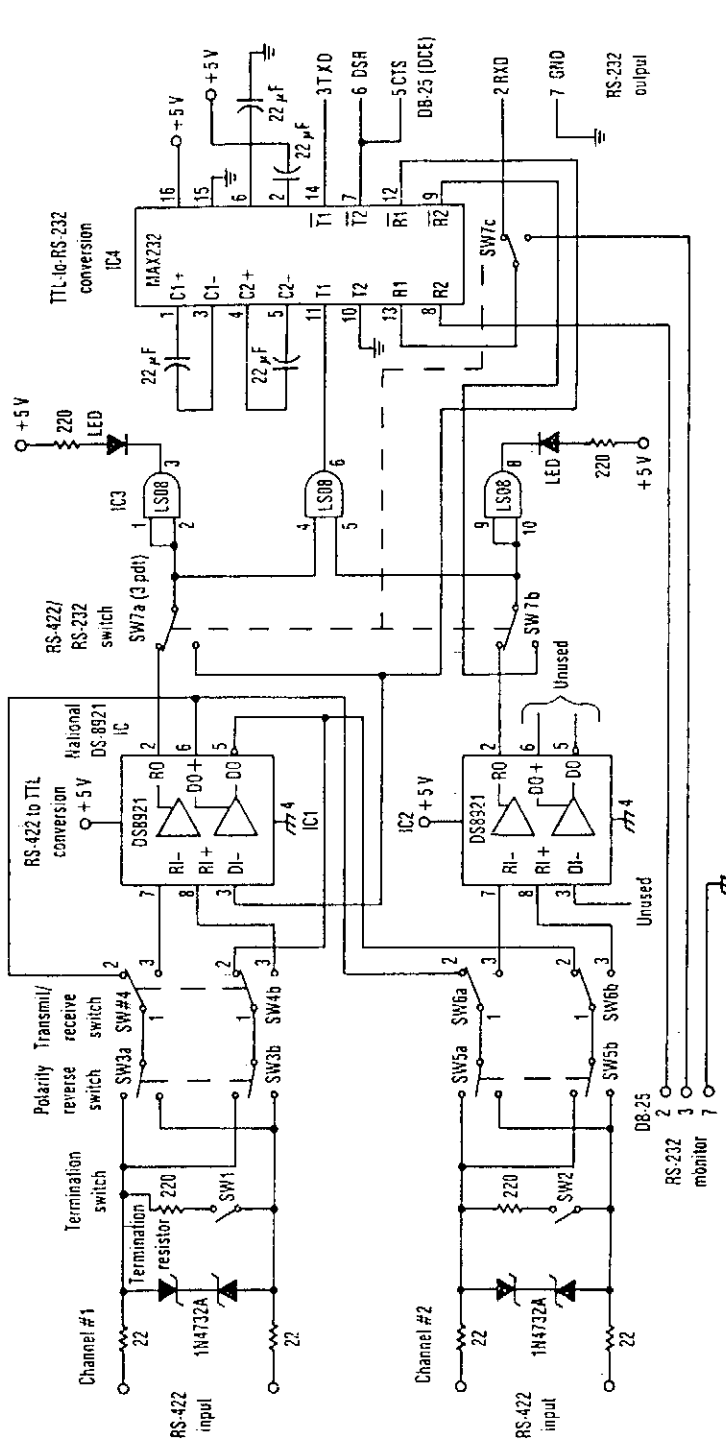
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

RS-422 to RS-232 Converter  
Printer Port  
PC Password Protector  
Key Wireless RTS with Data  
Microprocessor Supervisory Circuit  
Computer-Powered RS-232  
+12-V Flash Memory Programming Supply  
EEPROM Programming Doubler Circuit  
Monitor Power Saver for Computers

## RS-422 TO RS-232 CONVERTER



## ELECTRONIC DESIGN

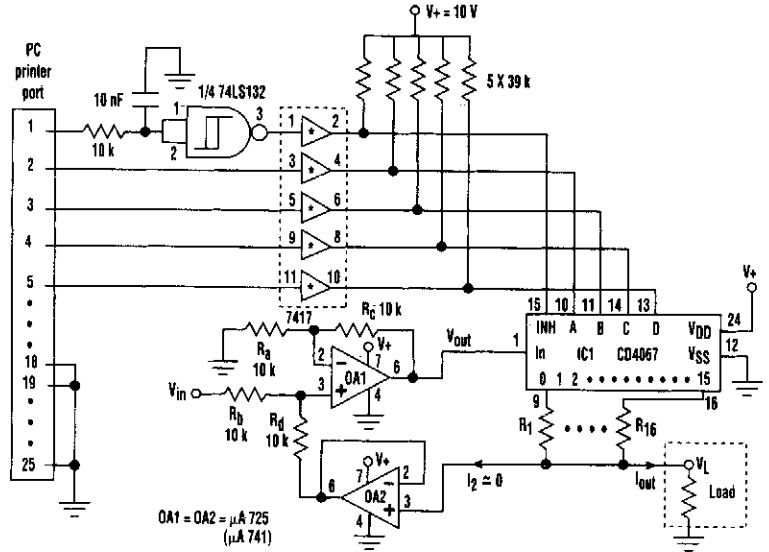
The circuit supplies two LEDs for visual indication of line activity and terminating resistors when needed. The 220- $\Omega$  resistors and 5-V zeners at the RS-422 line inputs supply circuit protection.

Switch SW7 allows the circuit monitor both transmitted and received signals when tee-connected into an RS-232 line. One function of this optional feature is the ability to test a software-locking device that connects to the COM1 port on an IBM PC.

Fig. 18-1

## PRINTER PORT

| REGISTER SELECTION CODES |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Data                     | Selected resistor |
| 0X00                     | R <sub>1</sub>    |
| 0X01                     | R <sub>2</sub>    |
| 0X02                     | R <sub>3</sub>    |
| 0X03                     | R <sub>4</sub>    |
| 0X04                     | R <sub>5</sub>    |
| 0X05                     | R <sub>6</sub>    |
| 0X06                     | R <sub>7</sub>    |
| 0X07                     | R <sub>8</sub>    |
| 0X08                     | R <sub>9</sub>    |
| 0X09                     | R <sub>10</sub>   |
| 0X0A                     | R <sub>11</sub>   |
| 0X0B                     | R <sub>12</sub>   |
| 0X0C                     | R <sub>13</sub>   |
| 0X0D                     | R <sub>14</sub>   |
| 0X0E                     | R <sub>15</sub>   |
| 0X0F                     | R <sub>16</sub>   |



**Fig. 18-2**

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

A 16-step programmable current generator can be modified so that it's controllable by a printer port. This is done by switching the resistor connected between the output of the generator's OA1 op amp and the input of OA2. The CMOS single 16-channel analog multiplexer (IC1) chooses one resistor at a time, in accordance with the code sent by the printer port through four of its eight data-output lines (pins 2 to 9). In addition, one control line (pin 1) is used to enable the operation. As a result, 16 outputs can be selected by a 4-bit word (the table shows the relationship between data word and selected resistor).

The following must be fulfilled in order for the circuit to work as a true current generator:

$$R_2 \times R_d - R_b \times R_c = 0$$

The smaller the resistors' tolerance (especially R1 through R16), the greater the output resistance of the generator.

Because the OA2 is connected as a repeater, the current  $I_2 = 0$ , and only the load current flows through one of the R1 through R16 resistors. Therefore:

$$I_{out} = \frac{V_{out}}{(R_x + R_{on})}$$

## PRINTER PORT (Cont.)

where  $V_{\text{out}} = V_{\text{in}}$ ;  $X = 1 \dots 16$ ; and  $R_{\text{on}} \leq 150 \Omega$  (for  $V_{\text{DD}} = 10 \text{ V}$ ) is the resistance of one analog switch (CD4067) in conduction.

Therefore, the values of resistors  $R_1$  through  $R_{16}$  can be inferred from the needed currents:

$$R_x = \left( \frac{V_{\text{in}}}{I_{\text{out}}} \right) - R_{\text{on}}$$

The Turbo C++ program also controls the current through the load.

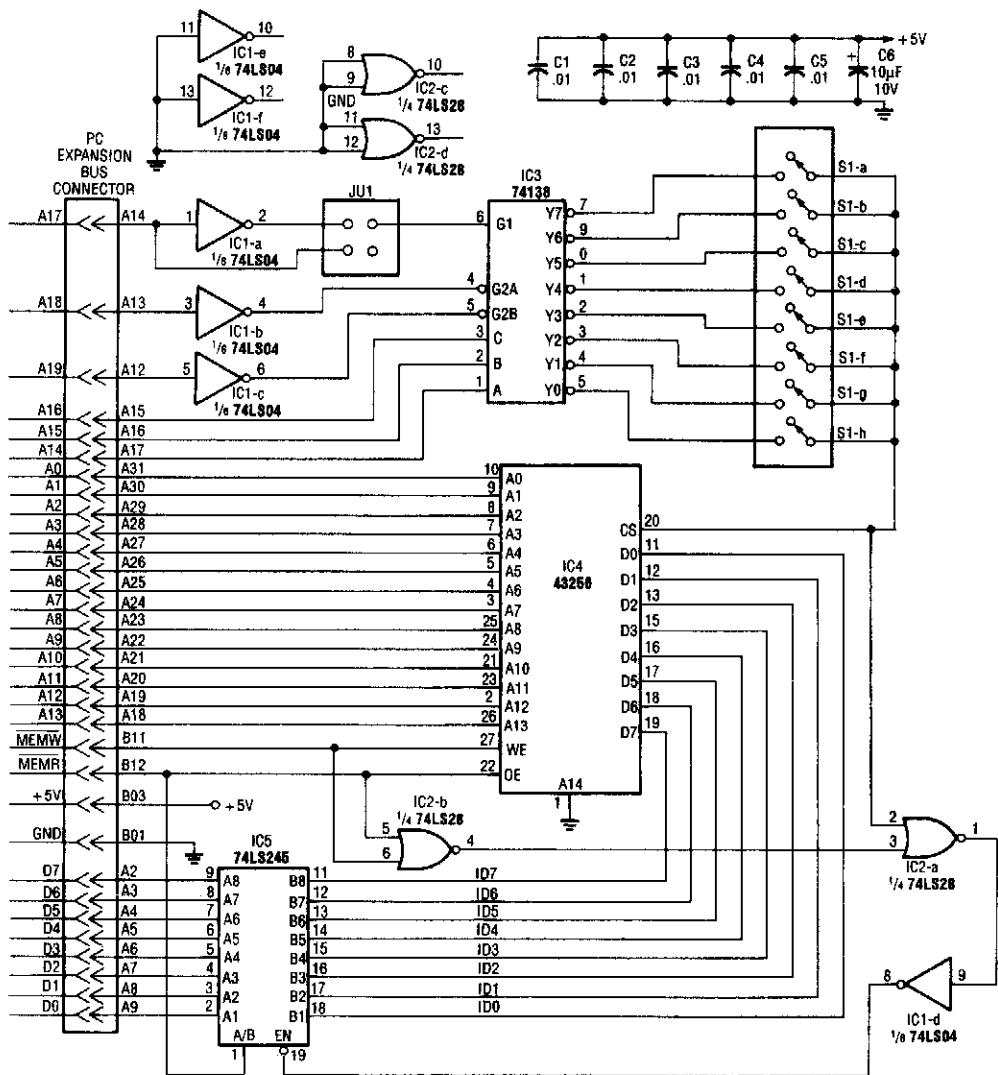
### TURBO C++ CONTROL PROGRAM

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <dos.h>

#define OUT_PORT 0x378 /*printer output port address */
#define CTRL_PORT 0x37A /*printer control port address */

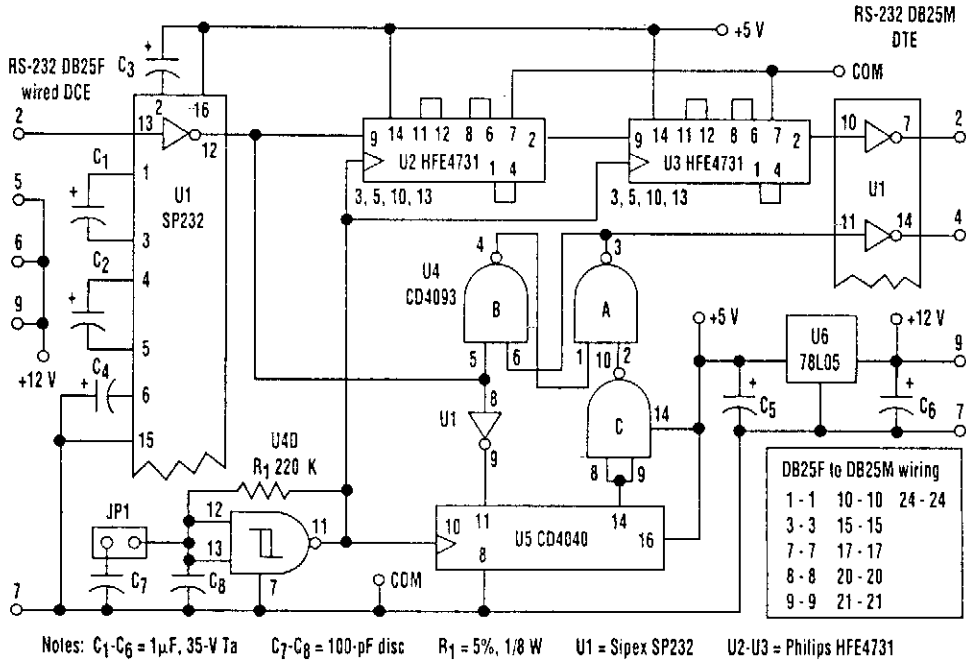
int main(void)
{
    int data;
    outport(CTRL_PORT , 0x01); // enable operation
    delay(1);
    outportb(OUT_PORT) , data); // one of R1 -R16 selected (table)
    printf("\n\naR%d selected.",data+1);
    return 0;
}
```

## PC PASSWORD PROTECTOR



IC4, a static RAM, is mounted in a "smart" built-in switch over circuitry. This retains SRAM contents when power is off. The rest of the circuitry consists of address decoding logic and jumper JU1, used to decode a 16K address space for the 32K static RAM. Software is necessary and this is contained in the original article (see reference).

## KEY WIRELESS RTS WITH DATA

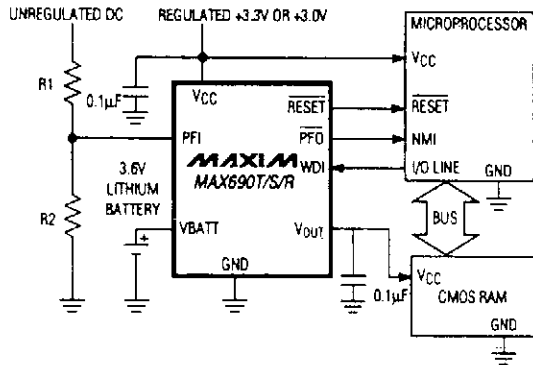


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 18-4

This simple keyer supplies both the RTS control and data delay needed to interface a digital radio with an RS-232, data-only system. It supports speeds to 19.2 kbits/s sync or async.

## MICROPROCESSOR SUPERVISORY CIRCUIT

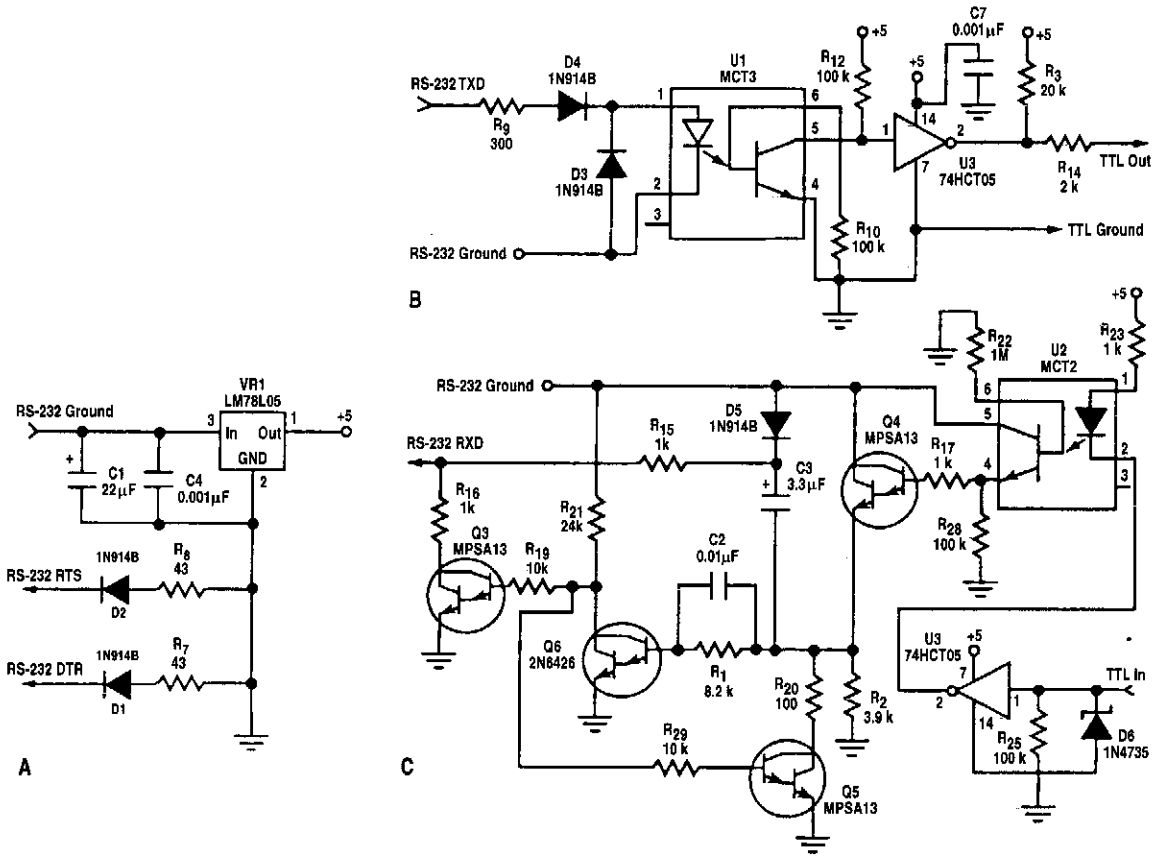


MAXIM

Fig. 18-5

This circuit provides a reset pulse during power up, down, or low-voltage battery back up, switching, a watchdog timer and a 1.25-V threshold detector for power failure or power fail warning, or to monitor another supply.

## COMPUTER-POWERED RS-232



## COMPUTER-POWERED RS-232 (Cont.)

Commercializing battery-operated equipment that must interface to a computer via the RS-232 port runs into the problem of power consumption. To load the system batteries strictly to power the interface is unacceptable. An alternative is to let the computer that the device is connected to provide the interface's power. One snag is that the RS-232 specification doesn't have a power tap on the connector, but it does provide RTS and DTR (request to send and data terminal ready) signals that assert a negative voltage in their quiescent state.

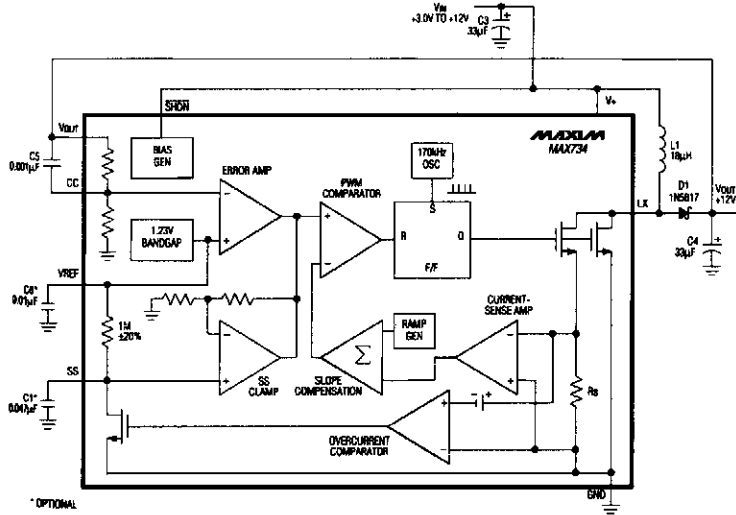
Figure 18-6A shows a simple scheme of deriving a 5-V potential from the RTS and DTR signals. R7 and R8 and diodes D1 and D2 mix the return current to the RS-232 port so that the RTS and DTR drivers split the current drawn by the interface. This scheme, even from a laptop-computer, can supply 12 mA to the interface. The only drawback is that the TTL device must be isolated from the computer's ground (earth ground) because the interface treats the RS-232 ground as a positive voltage.

A modified optocoupler system shifts the RS-232 level to TTL voltages (Fig. 18-6B). It will support up to 9600 bits/s. C3 is charged up to about 1 V less than the RTS voltage while the TTL line asserts a marking state. As the capacitor is charging, Q3 is biased into saturation, thus providing a negative voltage (with respect to RS-232 ground) to the RS-232 RXD line. When a spacing bit is driven from the TTL line, Q3 switches off and Q4 switches on. This biases Q4's emitter up to the RS-232 ground. That ground potential is summed with C3's charge to create an RS-232-compatible spacing signal (approximately 1 V less than a  $-V_{RTS}$ ).

The discharge rate on C3 is limited by R15 to prevent the signal sag from becoming a problem down to 110 bits/s. The C2/R1 time constant must be fairly close (within 4 times) to the C3/R15 time constant to ensure that Q3 turns off correctly.



## +12-V FLASH MEMORY PROGRAMMING SUPPLY

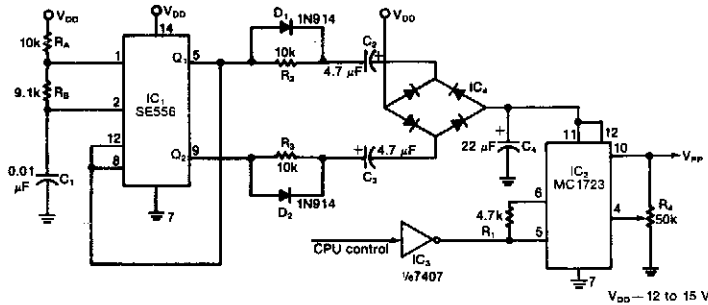


**Fig. 18-7**

**MAXIM**

The MAX734 can deliver up to 120 mA @12 V from a +5-V supply, using few external components. This supply can also be used for other applications than memory programming. A logic level is used for shutdown. Efficiency is about 85%.

## EEPROM PROGRAMMING DOUBLER CIRCUIT



**Fig. 18-8**

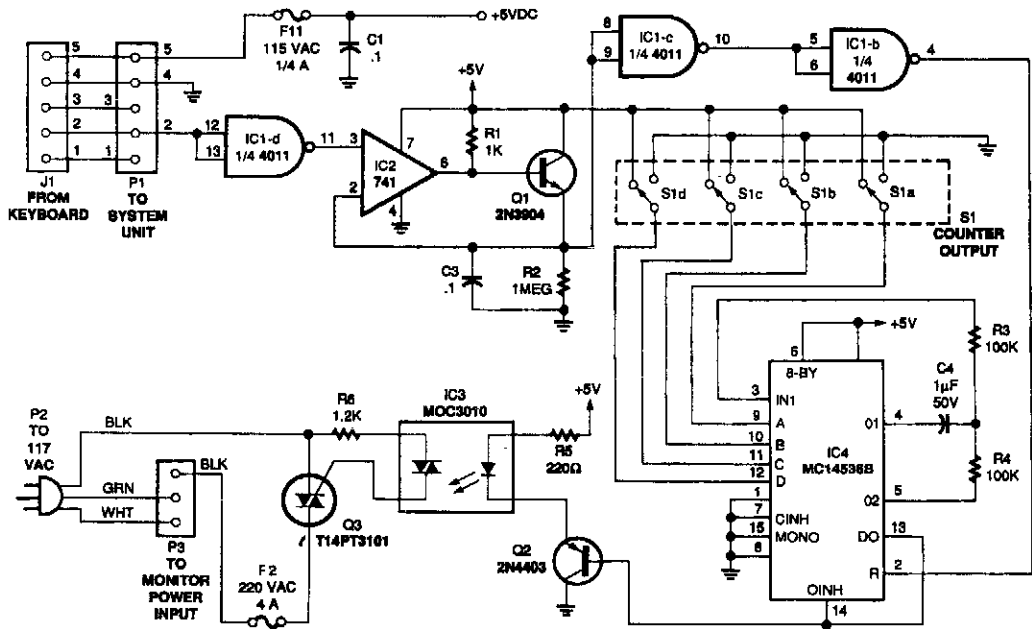
**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

Even though electrically erasable PROMs offer the convenience of single-byte write and erase operations, the parts require a somewhat nonstandard programming voltage—21 V. A simple circuit that develops the appropriate voltage from a computer system's standard 12-to-15-Vdc supply, remedies the problem nicely. Moreover, it permits the programming voltage to be pulsed under the control of an external CPU.

As shown in the figure, the chip uses its complementary outputs, Q1 and Q2 to trigger a bridge rectifier through capacitors C2 and C3. Resistors R2 and R3 and diodes D1 and D2 limit the current and protect IC1 from spikes from C2 and C3. If required, the regulator will deliver up to 150 mA.

Circuit IC3 is an open-collector TTL gate whose output, when low, disables IC2 and causes it to put out 5 Vdc. The regulator delivers the 21-V programming pulse.

## MONITOR POWER SAVER FOR COMPUTERS



ELECTRONICS NOW

*Fig. 18-9*

The circuit monitors PC keyboard activity through five-pin DIN connector J1. When the user presses a key, the keyboard sends a series of negative-going pulses on pin 2. In conjunction with Q1 and C3, the op amp essentially functions as an integrator, which stretches the continually varying periods of the input pulses to a relatively constant period with a higher average dc value.

Inverters IC1-c and IC1-b buffer the peak detector's output to trigger IC4, an MC14536B programmable timer.

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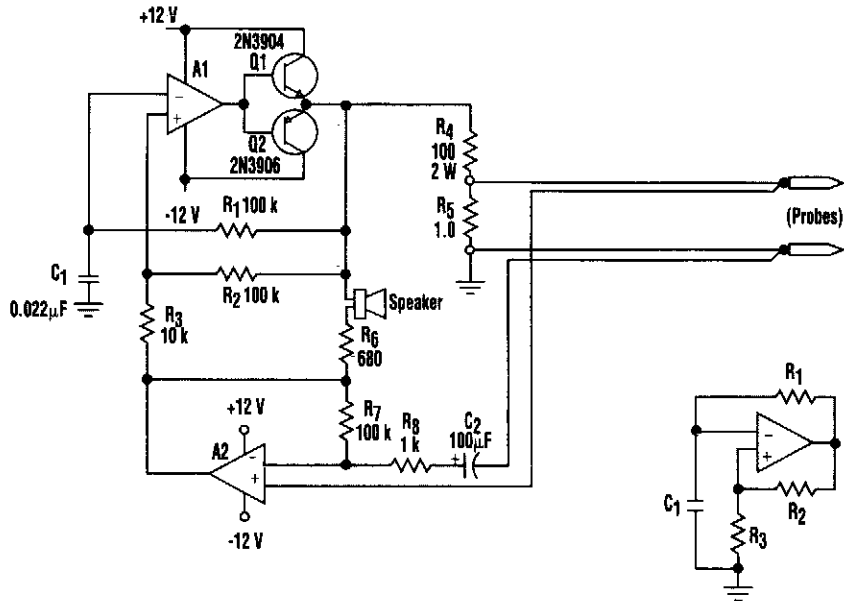
## Continuity Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Short-Circuit Beeper  
Adjustable Continuity Tester  
Simple Audio/Video Cable Tester  
Audible Continuity Tester

## SHORT-CIRCUIT BEEPER



**Fig. 19-1**

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This design offers a way to trace resistance in the milliohm range, right to a short between bridged traces beneath a solder mask. It simply translates resistance into an audible tone, which increases in pitch as the measured value approaches zero.

In the classic op-amp multivibrator (shown in the inset), oscillation frequency is determined not only by the  $R1/C1$  time constant, but also by the hysteresis set by the  $R2/R3$  resistance ratio. A1 in the main figure, with current boosters Q1 and Q2, is this same configuration.

Assuming a virtual ground at the output of A2, free-run frequency is about 1 kHz—quite audible through a tiny 8- $\Omega$  speaker. Q1 and Q2 deliver a  $\pm 10$ -V squarewave to R4, dumping a  $\pm 100$  mA through a short circuit placed across the probe tips. R5 ensures that open circuit voltage never exceeds  $\pm 0.1$  V.

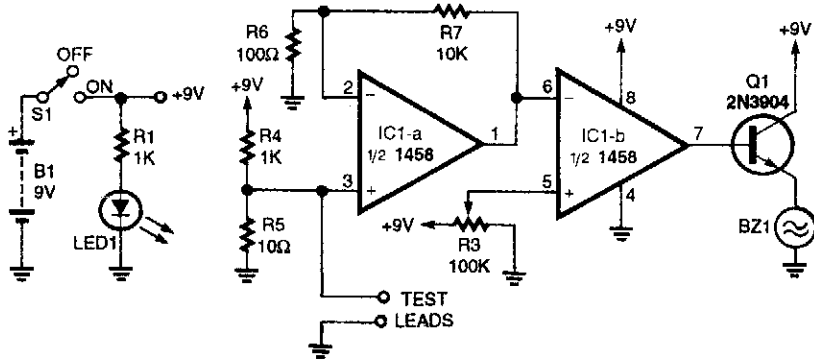
A2 monitors the voltage between the probes. The differential input must have its own separate path to the probe tips to eliminate test lead resistance from the measurement. Miniature “zip-cord” sold as loudspeaker wire makes a tidy two-conductor test lead.

When the probes are open, A2’s gain equals the  $R4/R5$  divider loss, and the output of both amplifiers is identical. This has two effects: first, hysteresis is greatly increased and the frequency falls to a low growl; second, the loudspeaker that bridges the two in-phase outputs is effectively silenced.

The dead short across the probe tips will return nothing to A2 and the circuit will squeal at its nominal 1-kHz rate. Anything less than a perfect short produces some output from A2, increasing multivibrator hysteresis and lowering the pitch. The circuit has so much “leverage,” and the ear is so sensitive to pitch changes in this range, that it’s easy to resolve minute resistance differences.

Any general-purpose op amp will suffice in this circuit—a couple of 741s or an equivalent dual.

## ADJUSTABLE CONTINUITY TESTER

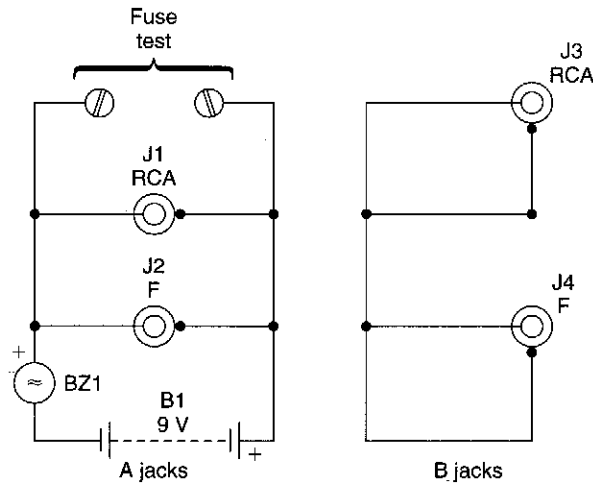


ELECTRONICS NOW

**Fig. 19-2**

A problem with most continuity testers is that the exact decision point (circuit resistance) between continuity and open is indefinite. This circuit allows setting of this point to a known resistance between 1 and 50  $\Omega$ .

## SIMPLE AUDIO/VIDEO CABLE TESTER



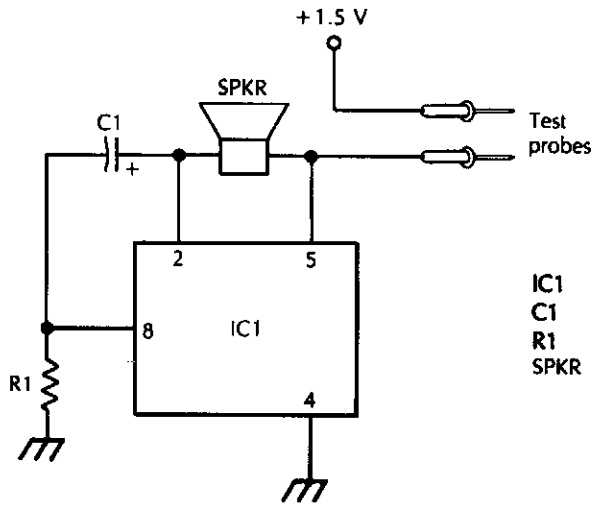
ELECTRONICS NOW

**Fig. 19-3**

As simple as it looks, the audio/video cable tester tests cables while they are plugged in. You can flex them vigorously while listening to the built-in buzzer.

Simply plug the ends of the cable in the appropriate jack. Only one end of the cable need be plugged in for a complete short test; the other end is left free. If the buzzer sounds, there is a short circuit somewhere in the cable. If nothing is heard, test for an intermittent short by flexing the cable several times, particularly in the plug area of both the free and plugged-in ends.

## AUDIBLE CONTINUITY TESTER



- IC1 LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator IC
- C1 10  $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor
- R1 1 k $\Omega$   $\frac{1}{4}$  W 5% resistor
- SPKR Small 8 $\Omega$  speaker

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Fig. 19-4

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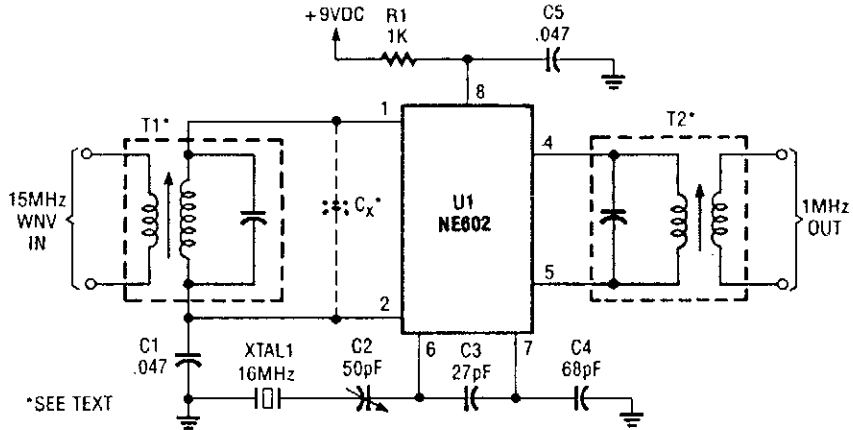
## Converter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

WWV Converter  
Simple HF Receive Converter  
225-W, 15-V Output Converter  
12-Bit DAC  
Driven Flyback Converter  
Sine-Wave Converter  
SCR Converter  
5-V, 5-A Step-Down Converter  
Sync-to-Async Converter  
Differential Voltage-to-Current Converter  
Direct-Conversion 7-MHz Receiver  
Low-Frequency Converter  
Programmable Current-to-Voltage Converter  
Current-to-Voltage Converter with Boost Transistor  
Current-to-Voltage Converter for Grounded Loads  
Output-to-Current Converter

## WWV CONVERTER

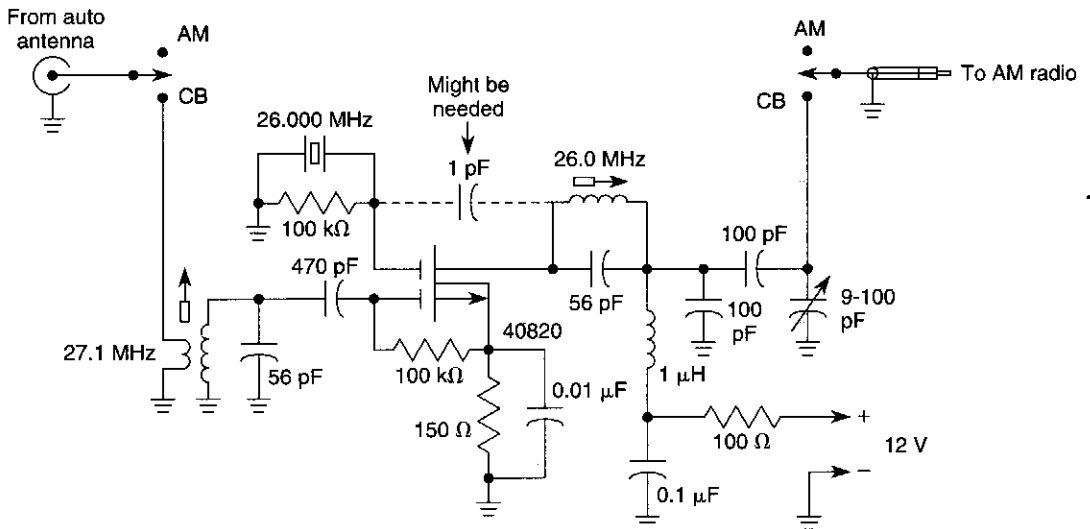


RADIO CRAFT

Fig. 20-1

This converter heterodynes the 15-MHz WWV signal with a 16-MHz oscillator so that it can be heard at 1 MHz on an AM broadcast receiver. T1 and T2 are a modified 10.7-MHz IF transformer and AM BC oscillator coil, respectively.

## SIMPLE HF RECEIVE CONVERTER



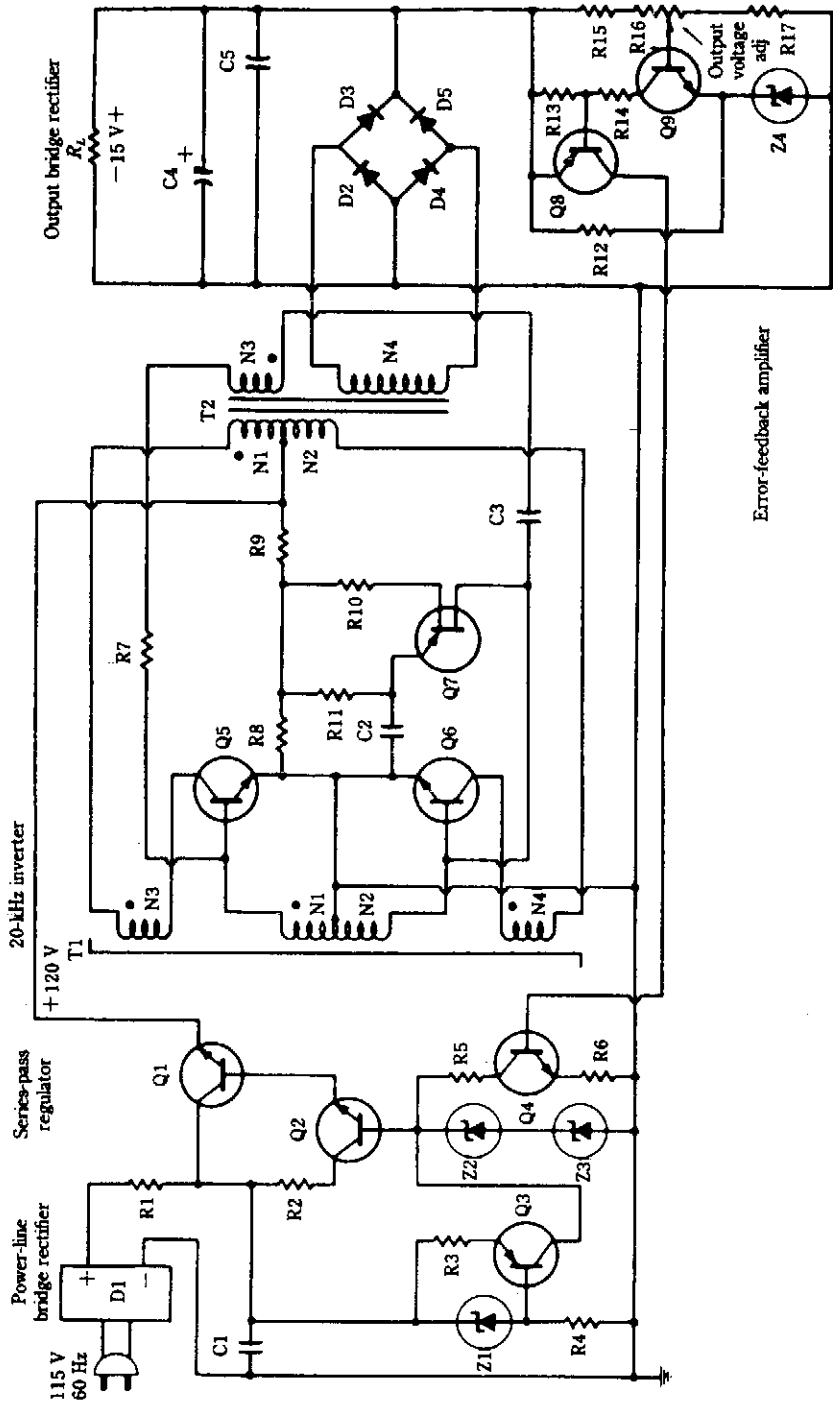
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 20-2

Designed for CB reception, this crystal-controlled converter uses one 40820 dual-gate MOSFET. The circuit will work with any crystal either 3rd overtone or fundamental, over 1 to 50 MHz.



### 225-W, 15-V OUTPUT CONVERTER



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Fig. 20-3

A converter designed to supply  $\pm 15$  Vdc is shown. This converter is several times lighter in weight than an equivalent.

## 225-W, 15-V OUTPUT CONVERTER (Cont.)

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| C1 — 2500 $\mu$ F, 350 V Electrolytic    | Q1, Q5, Q6, — 2N6307 |
| C2 — 0.1 $\mu$ F Disc Ceramic            | Q2, Q4 — 2N5052      |
| C3 — 0.1 $\mu$ F Paper                   | Q3 — 2N5345          |
| C4 — 10 $\mu$ F Electrolytic             | Q7 — 2N4870          |
| C5 — 0.25 $\mu$ F Paper                  | Q8 — 2N3905          |
| D1 — MDA-980-4 Bridge Rectifier Assembly | Q9 — 2N3903          |
| D2, D3, D4, D5 — 1N5826, 20 V 15 A       |                      |

All Resistors in Ohms and 1/2 W Unless Otherwise Noted

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| R1 — 1, 10 W    | R10 — 1K   |
| R2 — 100        | R11 — 10K  |
| R3 — 82         | R12 — 270  |
| R4 — 22K        | R13 — 1K   |
| R5 — 1.5K, 15 W | R14 — 7.5K |
| R6 — 200        | R15 — 2.5K |
| R7 — 15         | R16 — 5K   |
| R8 — 4.7K       | R17 — 3.5K |
| R9 — 51         |            |

T1 — Core — Magnetics Inc. 80623 — 1/2 D — 080

N1, N2 — 20 Turns Each, No. 30 AWG (Bifilar)

N3, N4 — 3 Turns Each, No. 20 AWG

T2 — Core — Arnold 6T 5800 D1

N1, N2 — 100 Turns Each, No. 20 AWG (Bifilar)

N3 — 7 Turns No. 26 AWG

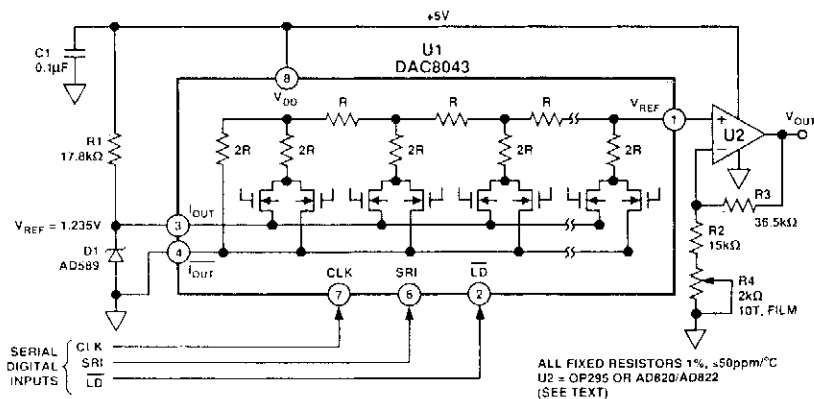
N4 — 12 Turns Each, No. 12 AWG (No. 16 AWG, 3 in Parallel)

Z1 — 1N4733, 5.1 V

Z2, Z3 — 1N4760, 68 V

Z4 — 1N4736

## 12-BIT DAC

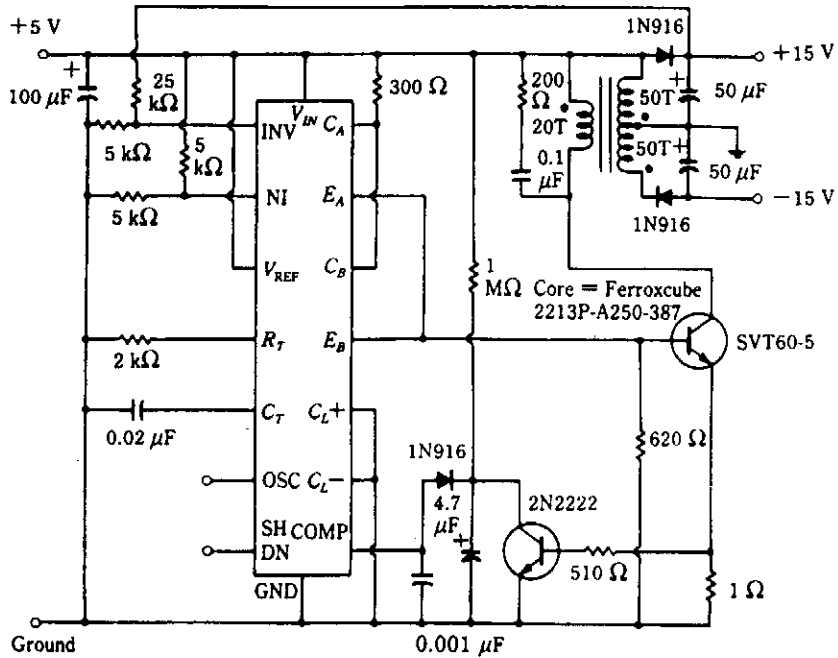


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 20-4

This circuit uses an Analog Devices DAC-8043 12-bit multiplying DAC. The output voltage will be  $D/4096 \times V_{ref}$ , where  $D$  is the numerical value of the digital input word (0 to 4095).  $V_{ref}$  is 1.235 volts in this circuit.

## DRIVEN FLYBACK CONVERTER

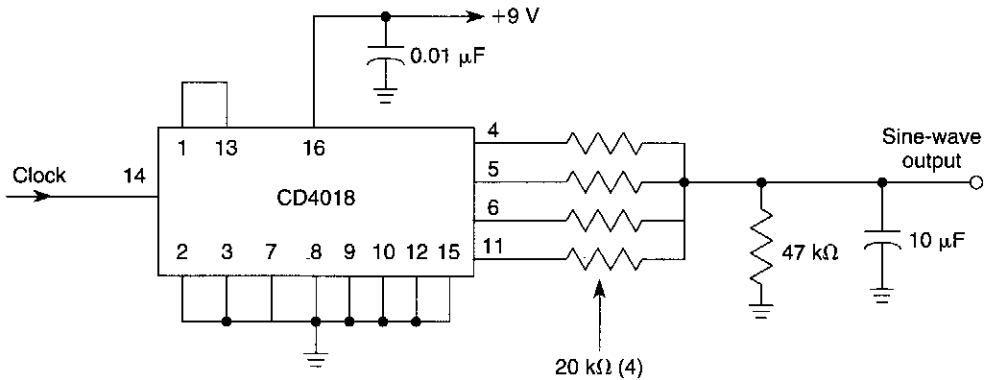


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Fig. 20-5

This circuit uses an SG1524 Silicon General regulating pulse width modulator and provides  $\pm 15$  V from a 5-V supply rail.

## SINE-WAVE CONVERTER

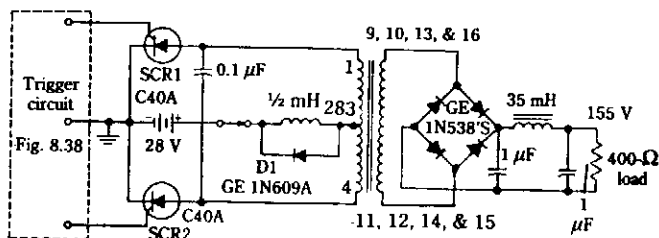
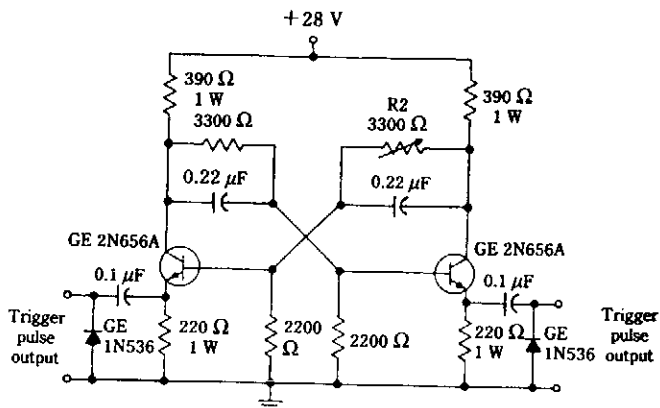


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 20-6

This circuit produces a sine wave with a low-frequency clock input. The clock rate should be 100 Hz or less.

## SCR CONVERTER

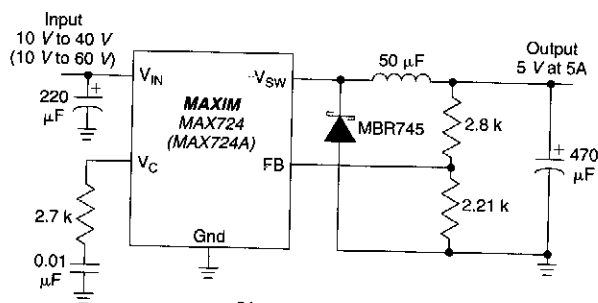


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Fig. 20-7

Two SCR devices are used in a push-pull driver to convert 28 Vdc to 155 Vdc, using the transformer and bridge shown. A center-tapped transformer with 24 V:120 V could be used for 60-Hz applications. The trigger circuit supplies a push-pull drive signal.

## 5-V, 5-A STEP-DOWN CONVERTER



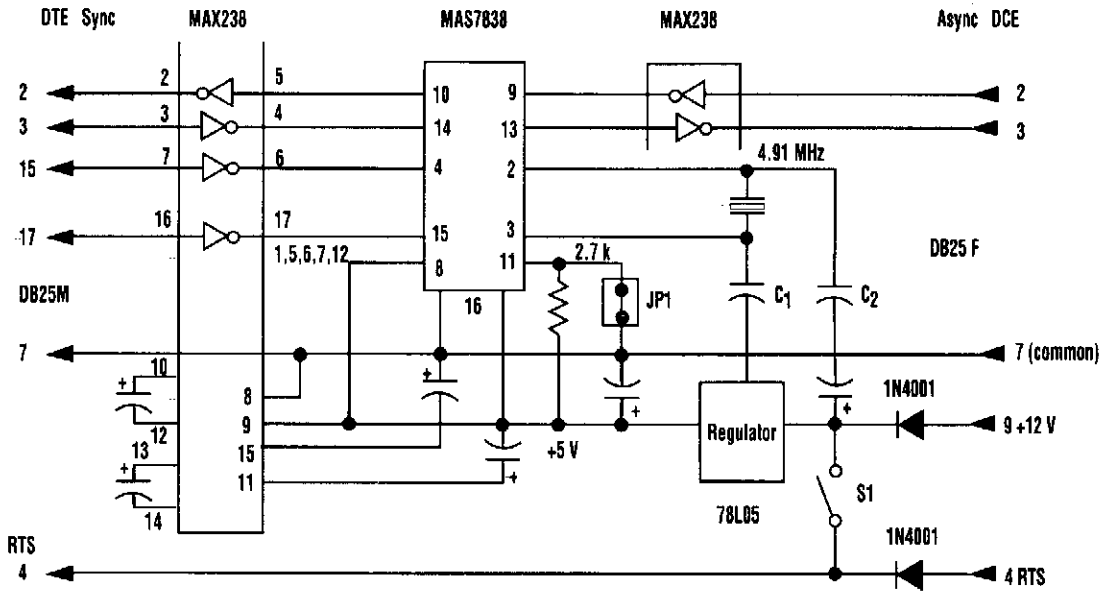
5A step-down converter

MAXIM

Fig. 20-8

This circuit is useful where power must be distributed by a higher (10 to 60 V) bus. The circuit reduces power dissipation and eliminates inefficient passive linear regulators. The switching frequency is in the 100-kHz region.

## SYNC-TO-ASYNC CONVERTER



### Point-to-point adapter wiring

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| 1.....  | 1  |
| 5.....  | 5  |
| 6.....  | 6  |
| 7.....  | 7  |
| 8.....  | 8  |
| 9.....  | 9  |
| 10..... | 10 |
| 15..... | 15 |
| 17..... | 17 |
| 20..... | 20 |
| 21..... | 21 |
| 24..... | 24 |

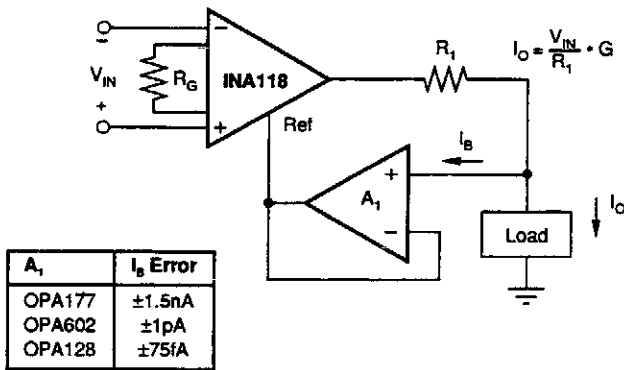
### Notes:

- Maxim RS232 interface: MAX238
- Sipex A/S converter: MAS7838
- Generic regulator: 78L05
- C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> = 20-pF disk-type; other capacitors (6) = 1 μF, 35 V
- Resistor = 1/8 W, 5%

This simple converter consists of two ICs and a voltage regulator. The Sipex MAS7838, which acts as the converter, selects the conversion speed to that of the synchronized data clock. It has internal switches and registers to perform the async-to-sync, or sync-to-async, conversion. The Maxim MAX238 provides the RS-232 drivers and receivers for interfacing with the data bus. These chips require a 5-Vdc power supply; a generic 78L05 reduces the +12 V at the DB25 pin 9 to the +5 V needed. A crystal frequency of 4.91 MHz is suitable for converting to 19.2 kbits or a sub-multiple (9.6, 4.8, 2.4, etc.). Two 1N4001 diodes protect the external RTS (ready to send) control circuitry if the RTS is enabled by S1. When JP1 is removed, the converter is transparent in the sync mode and no conversion will occur.

The completed unit is mounted atop a universal breakout adapter, and the control lines are jumpered according to the chart in the figure. The physical size is approximately 1 × 2.25 × 2.5 inches and will easily plug into the DB25 socket on a synchronized data communications equipment (DCE) communication device.

## DIFFERENTIAL VOLTAGE-TO-CURRENT CONVERTER



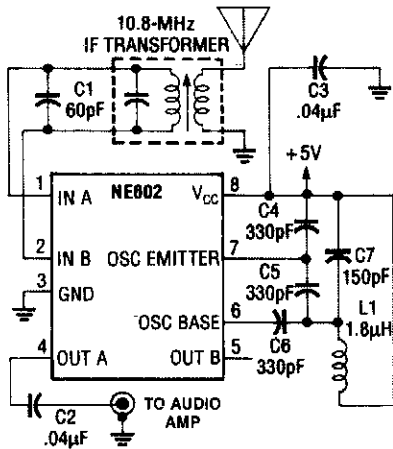
| DESIRED GAIN | R <sub>c</sub> (Ω) | NEAREST 1% R <sub>c</sub> (Ω) |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1            | NC                 | NC                            |
| 2            | 50.00k             | 49.9k                         |
| 5            | 12.50k             | 12.4k                         |
| 10           | 5.556k             | 5.62k                         |
| 20           | 2.632k             | 2.61k                         |
| 50           | 1.02k              | 1.02k                         |
| 100          | 505.1              | 511                           |
| 200          | 251.3              | 249                           |
| 500          | 100.2              | 100                           |
| 1000         | 50.05              | 49.9                          |
| 2000         | 25.01              | 24.9                          |
| 5000         | 10.00              | 10                            |
| 10000        | 5.001              | 4.99                          |

| A <sub>1</sub> | I <sub>b</sub> Error |
|----------------|----------------------|
| OPA177         | ±1.5nA               |
| OPA602         | ±1pA                 |
| OPA128         | ±75fA                |

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Fig. 20-10

## DIRECT-CONVERSION 7-MHz RECEIVER

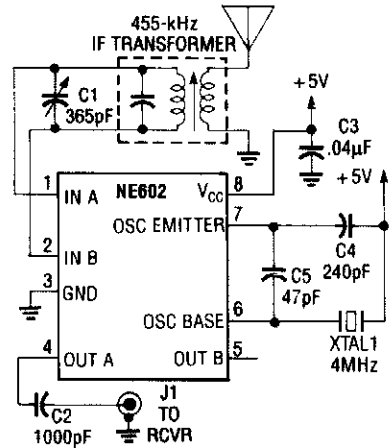


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 20-11

An NE602 is used to mix signals in the 7-MHz range with an LO and to produce audio output.

## LOW-FREQUENCY CONVERTER

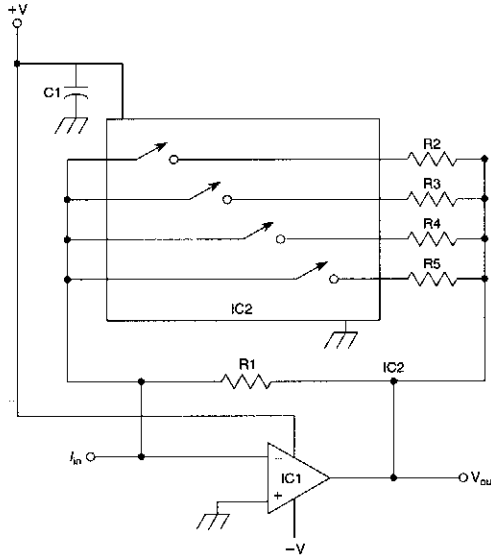


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 20-12

This converter circuit translates the 350- to 500-kHz range to 4.35 to 4.50 MHz, enabling the frequency range to be received on a conventional shortwave receiver.

## PROGRAMMABLE CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



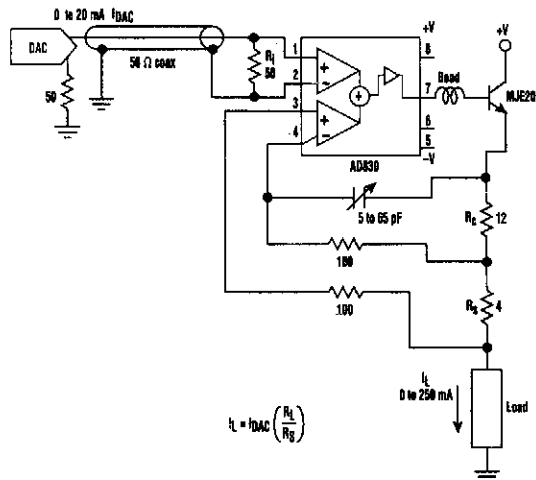
Programmable current-to-voltage converter permits you to electrically select from 16 resistor values using bilateral switches.

- IC1 741 op amp (or similar)
- IC2 CD4066 quad bilateral switch
- C1 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor
- R1 10-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R2 4.7-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R3 2.2-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R4 1.2-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R5 100- $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor

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Fig. 20-13

## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER WITH BOOST TRANSISTOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 20-14

A transistor such as the MJE200 can be added to an Analog Devices AD830 to produce this current to voltage converter. Loads to 250 mA can be driven. The 5- to 65-pF trimmer is for compensation.

## CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER FOR GROUNDED LOADS

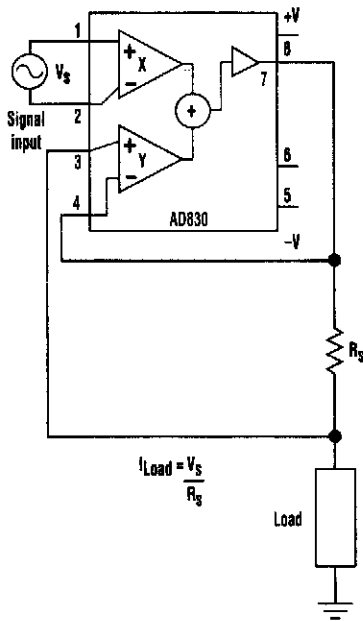


Fig. 20-15

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This circuit uses an Analog Devices AD830 video difference amplifier. The circuit consists of two differential inputs. Unlike a conventional op amp, the AD830's output is nulled when the sum of the differences of the two inputs is zero.

The AD830's stated unity-gain bandwidth is 60 MHz, and the device is capable of driving up to  $\pm 30$  mA directly. The differential input voltage is limited to  $\pm 2$  V, while the maximum power supply is  $\pm 15$  V.

If more output current is desired, the AD830 can drive a bipolar transistor (such as an MJE200) directly. This will produce a one-sided output.

A ferrite bead can be placed on the base to prevent oscillation under some conditions. Compensation can be added by splitting  $R_s$  and adding a variable capacitor. A resistor can be positioned at the input to match the amplifier's input to a transmission line.

## OUTPUT-TO-CURRENT CONVERTER

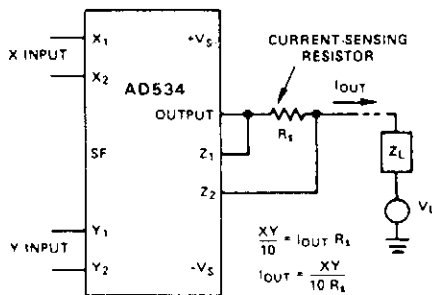


Fig. 20-16

ANALOG DEVICES

Occasionally, it is preferable to generate a current, rather than a voltage, output into the load. The availability of differential inputs allows this to be accomplished in any of the four basic modes.

If the output is to be integrated,  $Z_L$  can be simple high-quality capacitor, unloaded by an op amp connected as a high-impedance follower. Note that, if desired, one side of a rest switch can be grounded.

The compliance constraint for this configuration, where  $V_L$  is an arbitrary common-mode potential, is:

$$|V_L + I_{OUT} (Z_L + R_s)| \leq 12 \text{ V}$$



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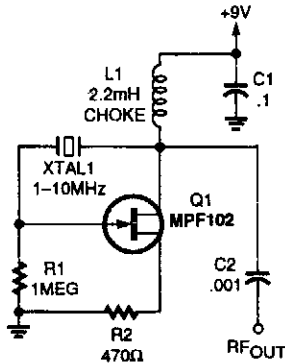
## Crystal Oscillator Circuits

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- FET Quartz Crystal Oscillator
- Crystal Oscillator I
- FET VXO Circuit
- UJT 100-kHz Calibration Oscillator
- Crystal Oscillator with FM Capability
- Crystal Oscillator II
- dc-Switched Crystal Oscillator
- Crystal Oscillator with Adjustable Frequency
- Frequency Doubler and Crystal Oscillator
- Crystal Oscillator III
- Colpitts Oscillator

## FET QUARTZ CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

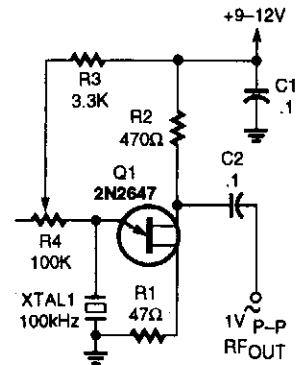


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 21-1

This oscillator uses an MPF102 JFET as an active element.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR I

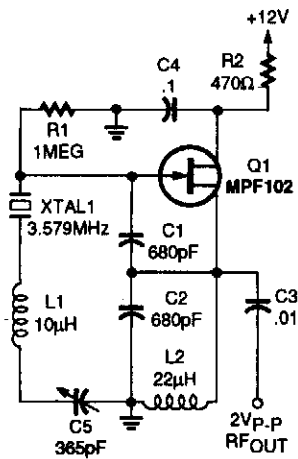


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 21-2

In this circuit, series-resonant crystal XTAL1 is used as a frequency-determining element. XTAL1 is between 0.1 to 10 MHz.

## FET VXO CIRCUIT

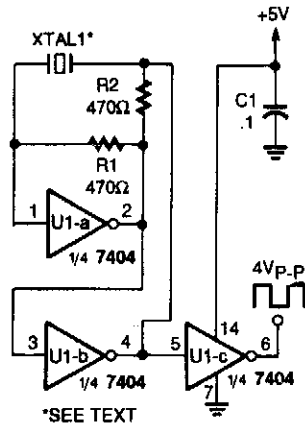


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Fig. 21-3

An MPF 102 is used in a Colpitts-type oscillator in order to pull the crystal frequency slightly.

## UJT 100-kHz CALIBRATION OSCILLATOR

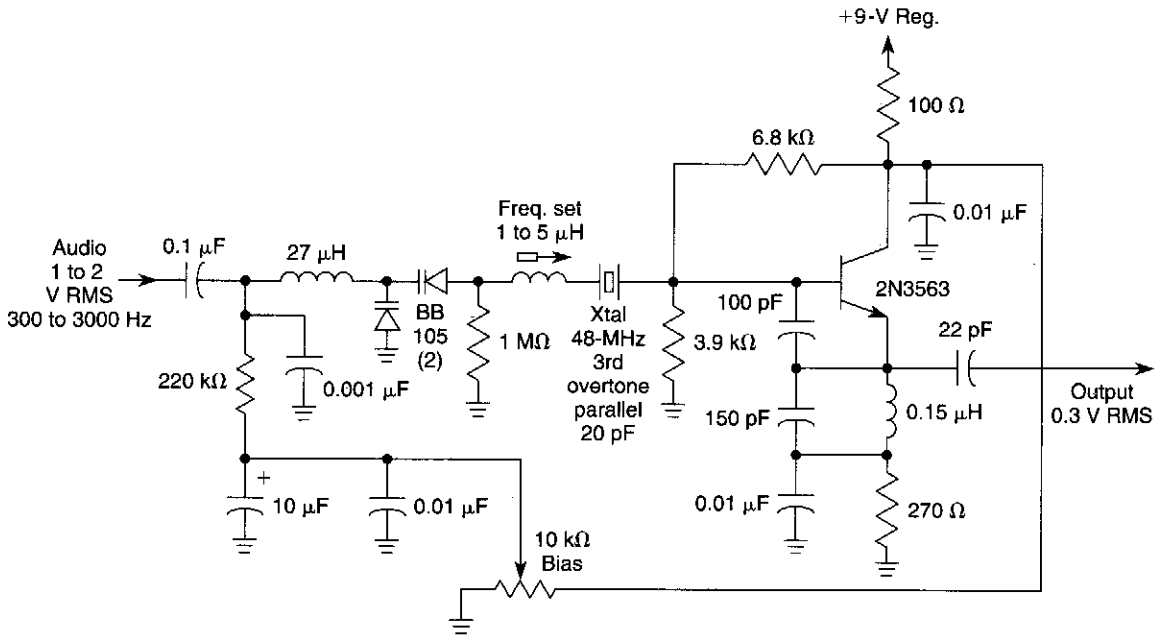


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Fig. 21-4

This unusual 100-kHz oscillator (whose frequency is determined by XTAL1) can be used as a marker generator to calibrate the analog dial of a communication receiver, or its output can be fed to a divider counter to produce a stable lower-frequency output for use as a clock-signal generator.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR WITH FM CAPABILITY

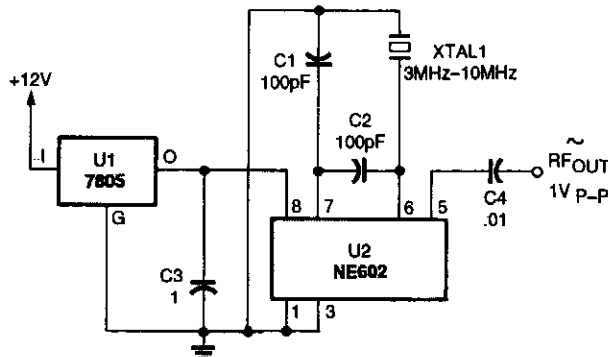


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**Fig. 21-5**

This crystal oscillator produces a good FM signal that can be tripled to 146 MHz and produces a clean 5-kHz deviation signal for FM voice. The bias control is adjusted for cleanest audio while the 1- to 5- $\mu\text{H}$  coil is adjusted to set the oscillator frequency to the exact setting required.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR II

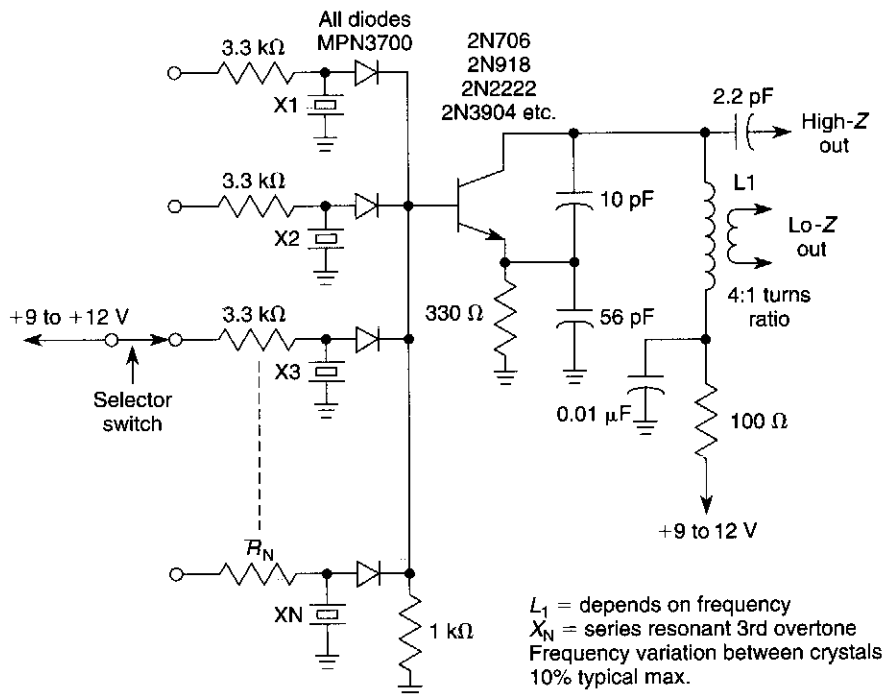


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**Fig. 21-6**

An NE602 can be used as a crystal oscillator.

## dc-SWITCHED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

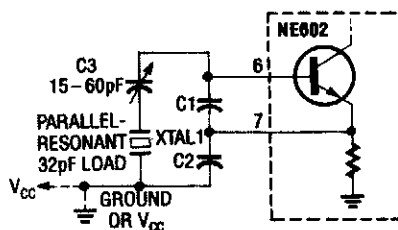


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Fig. 21-7

This circuit is useful where several different crystal frequencies must be switched using a dc source. The values shown are typical for 40- to 60-MHz third-overtone crystals. Limitation on number of crystals depends on PIN diode capacitance and layout factors, but up to 5 or 10 crystals is possible.

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR WITH ADJUSTABLE FREQUENCY

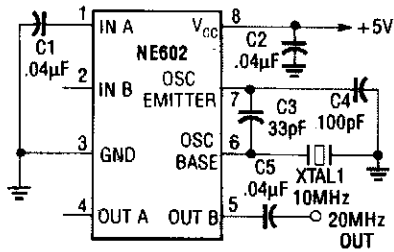


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Fig. 21-8

In this crystal oscillator circuit, C3 adjusts the frequency of the oscillator for exact netting. The crystal is a fundamental type.  $C_1 = 100$  pF and  $C_2 = 1000$  pF are typical.

## FREQUENCY DOUBLER AND CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

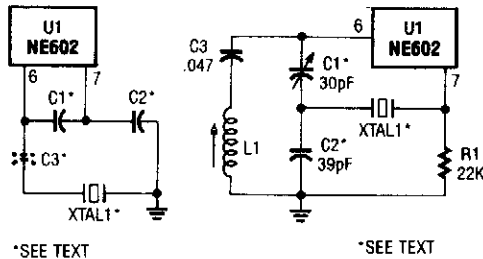


This frequency doubler produces a sine wave at twice the frequency of XTAL1. Notice that the output is taken only from OUT B (pin 5), while OUT A (pin 4) is left open.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 21-9

## CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR III



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These circuits are for use with a crystal-controlled LO using the NE602. C1, C2, and C3 are for crystals in the 5-MHz region and are approximately chosen from

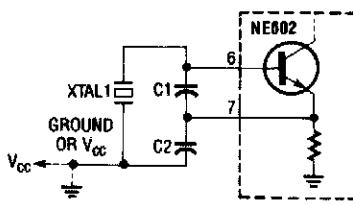
$$C_1 = \frac{100}{\sqrt{f_{\text{MHz}}}} \text{ pF}, C_2 = \frac{1000}{\sqrt{f_{\text{MHz}}}} \text{ pF}$$

C3 is for fine tuning the crystal frequency and will be 20 to 50 pF typically.

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Fig. 21-10

## COLPITTS OSCILLATOR



| f MHz | C1=100pF/√f | C2=1000pF/f |
|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 1     | 100         | 1000        |
| 2     | 70          | 500         |
| 4     | 50          | 250         |
| 10    | 32          | 100         |
| 20    | 22          | 50          |

Here:  $L_1 = 7 \mu\text{H}/f$ ,  $C_1 \approx C_2 \approx C_3 \approx 2400 \text{ pF}/f$ , where  $f$  is in MHz. In this circuit, the oscillator is free-running.

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 21-11

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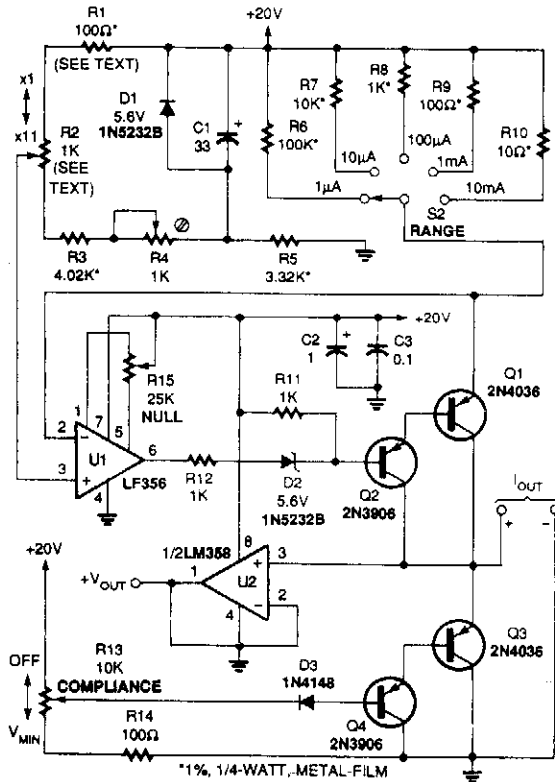
# Current Source and Sink Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Current Generator  
Voltage-Controlled Current Source  
Voltage-Controlled Current Sink  
Multiple Fixed Current Source

## CURRENT GENERATOR

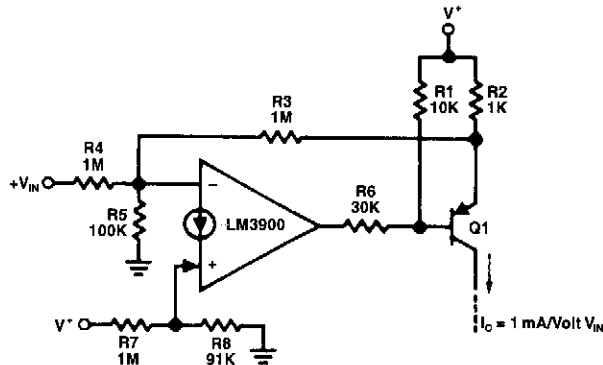


This circuit is useful for supplying constant current to test semiconductors.  $V_{OUT}$  from U2 reads the voltage across the load connected to  $I_{OUT}$ . R13 adjusts the supply compliance from 1 to about 18 V.

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Fig. 22-1

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CURRENT SOURCE

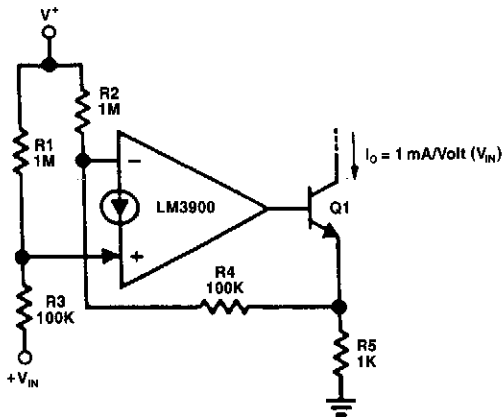


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Fig. 22-2

A voltage-variable current source is shown in the figure. The transconductance is  $-(1/R_2)$  as the voltage gain from the input terminal to the emitter of Q1 is  $-1$ . For  $V_{in} = 0$  Vdc, the output current is essentially 0 mA dc. Resistors R1 and R6 guarantee that the amplifier can turn OFF transistor Q1.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED CURRENT SINK

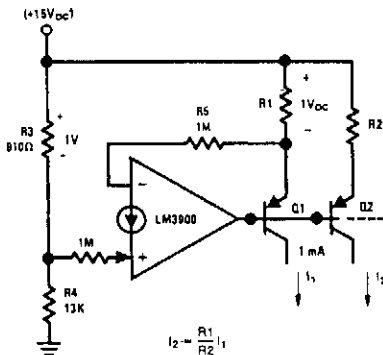


A voltage-variable current sink is shown in the figure. The output current is 1 mA per volt of  $V_{in}$  (as  $R_5 = 1\text{ k}\Omega$  and the gain is +1). This circuit provides approximately 0 mA output current for  $V_{in} = 0\text{ V DCL}$ .

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Fig. 22-3

## MULTIPLE FIXED CURRENT SOURCE



A multiple fixed current source is provided by the circuit. A reference voltage (1 Vdc) is established across resistor  $R_3$  by the resistive divider ( $R_3$  and  $R_4$ ). Negative feedback is used to cause the voltage drop across  $R_1$  to also be 1 Vdc. This controls the emitter current of transistor  $Q_1$  and if we neglect the small current diverted into the (-) input via the 1-M $\Omega$  input resistor (13.5  $\mu\text{A}$ ) and the base current of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  (an additional 2% loss if the  $\beta$  of these transistors is 100), essentially this same current is available out of the collector of  $Q_1$ .

Larger input resistors can be used to reduce current loss and a Darlington connection can be used to reduce errors caused by the  $\beta$  of  $Q_1$ .

The resistor,  $R_2$ , can be used to scale the collector current of  $Q_2$  either above or below the 1-mA reference value.

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Fig. 22-4



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## dc-to-dc Converter Circuits

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Isolated dc-to-dc Converter

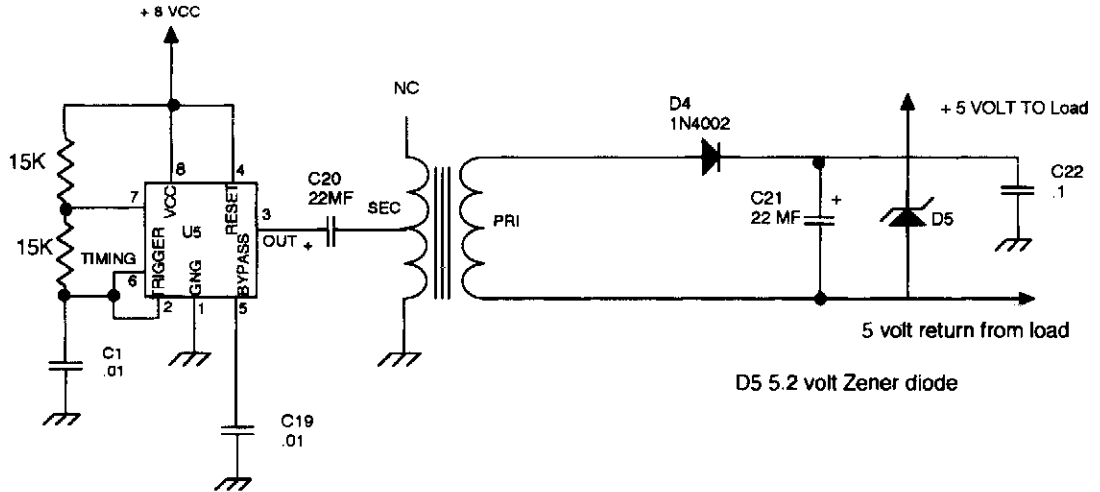
dc-to-dc Converter I

Ultra Low-Power dc-to-dc Converter for Personal Communications Products

Negative Step-Up dc-to-dc Converter

dc-to-dc Converter II

## ISOLATED dc-to-dc CONVERTER

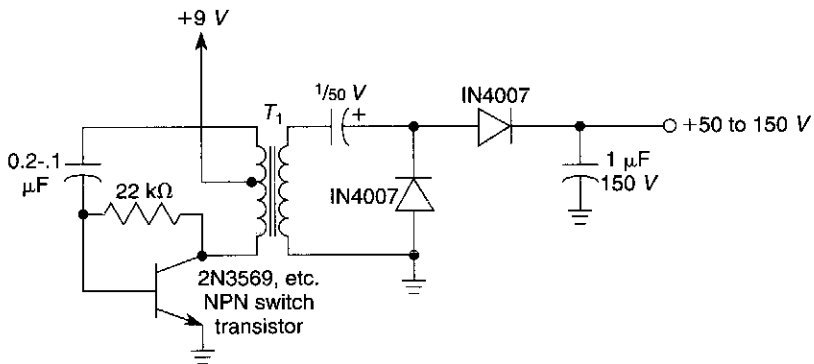


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Fig. 23-1

A NE555 timer is used to drive a small transformer to change the 5- to 7-Vp-p output of the NE555 to a suitable value to drive a rectifier/Zener combination. This method is useful where a small isolated power source is needed.

## dc-to-dc CONVERTER

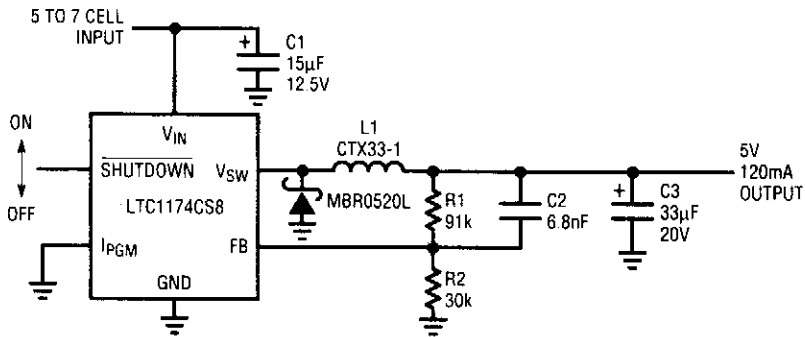


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Fig. 23-2

This converter should be useful where a few milliamperes of dc at a higher voltage than available supplies can deliver is needed. T1 is typically a 1 kΩ CT:10-kΩ transistor audio transformer. Depending on T1, about 50 to 150 Vdc can be obtained at a few milliamperes.

## ULTRA LOW-POWER dc-to-dc CONVERTER FOR PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS PRODUCTS



C1: PANASONIC SP SERIES (201) 348-4630  
 C2: AVX TAJ SERIES (803) 956-0690  
 L1: COILTRONICS OCTAPAK (407) 241-7876

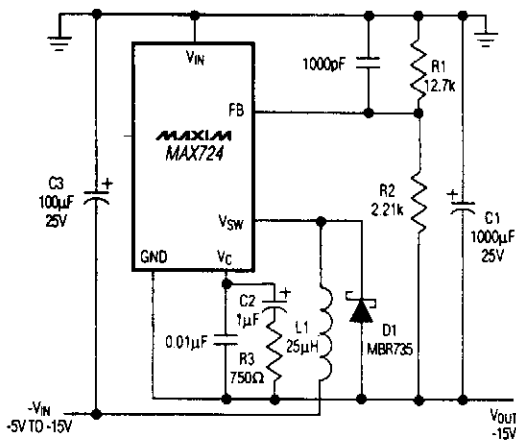
### LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 23-3**

The LTC1174 step-down converter is designed specifically to eliminate noise at audio frequencies while maintaining high efficiency at low output currents. This circuit shows a 5-V, 120-mA output derived from 5 to 7 NiCad or NiMH cells. Small input and output capacitors that are capable of handling the necessary ripple currents help conserve space. In applications where shutdown is desired, this feature is available (otherwise short this pin to  $V_{in}$ ).

The LTC1174's internal switch, connected between  $V_{in}$  and  $V_{sw}$ , is current controlled at a peak of approximately 340 mA. Low peak switch current is one of the key features that allows the LTC1174 to minimize system noise compared to other chips that carry significantly higher peak currents, easing shielding and filtering requirements, and decreasing component stresses. Output current of up to 450 mA is possible with this device by connecting the 1 pgm pin to  $V_{in}$ . This increases the peak current to 600 mA, allowing for a high average output current.

## NEGATIVE STEP-UP dc-to-dc CONVERTER

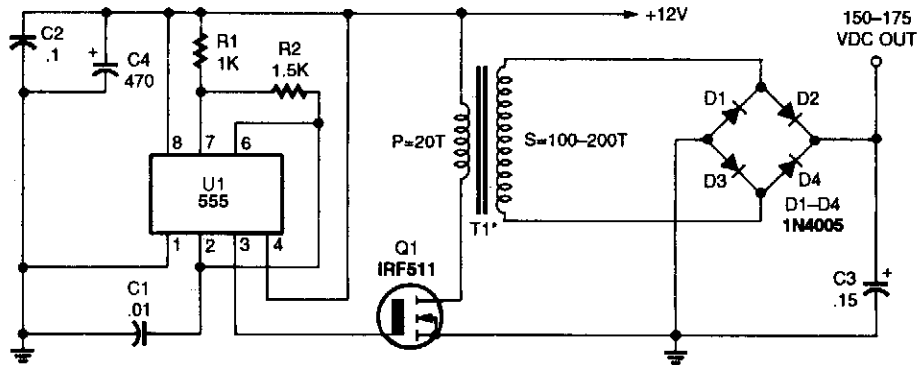


A Maxim MAX724 is used in a step-up switching converter to provide -15-V output from a -5- to -15-V input.

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**Fig. 23-4**

### dc-to-dc CONVERTER II



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Fig. 23-5

In this dc-to-dc converter, the 555 is used to produce a rising and collapsing field in T1's primary, generating a high voltage in T1's secondary winding. That voltage is then full-wave, bridge rectified by D1 through D4, and filtered by C3. T1 is an Amidon Associates EA-775-375E core and nylon bobbin, with #26 wire for the primary and #28 or #30 for the secondary. About 5 W of power is available.

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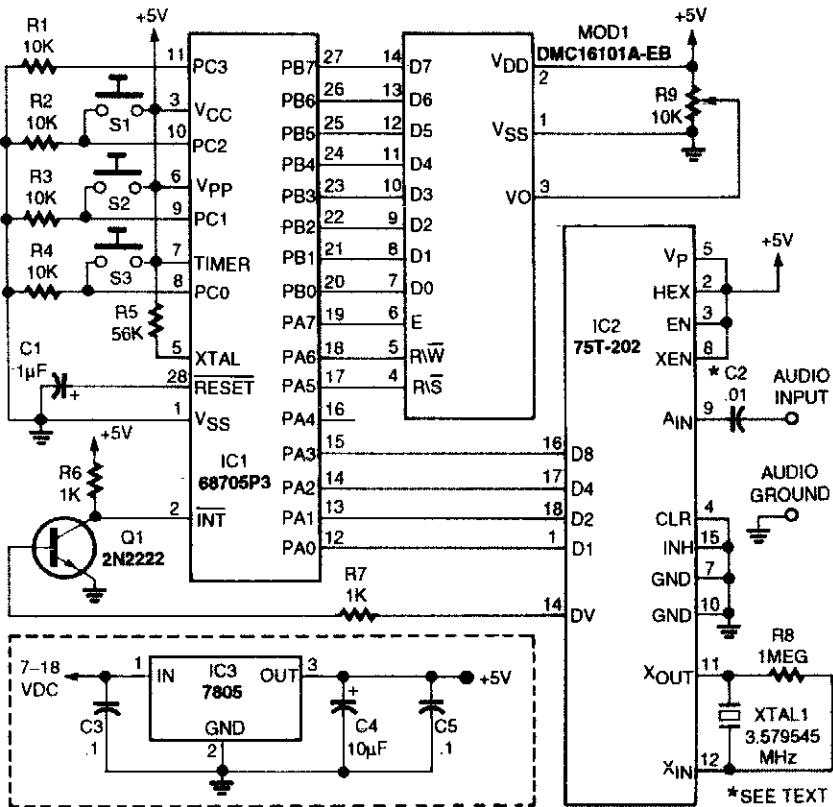
## Decoder Circuits

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DTMF Decoder  
FM Stereo Decoder  
Typical NE567 Tone Decoder Circuit  
Video Line Decoder I  
Video Line Decoder II

## DTMF DECODER

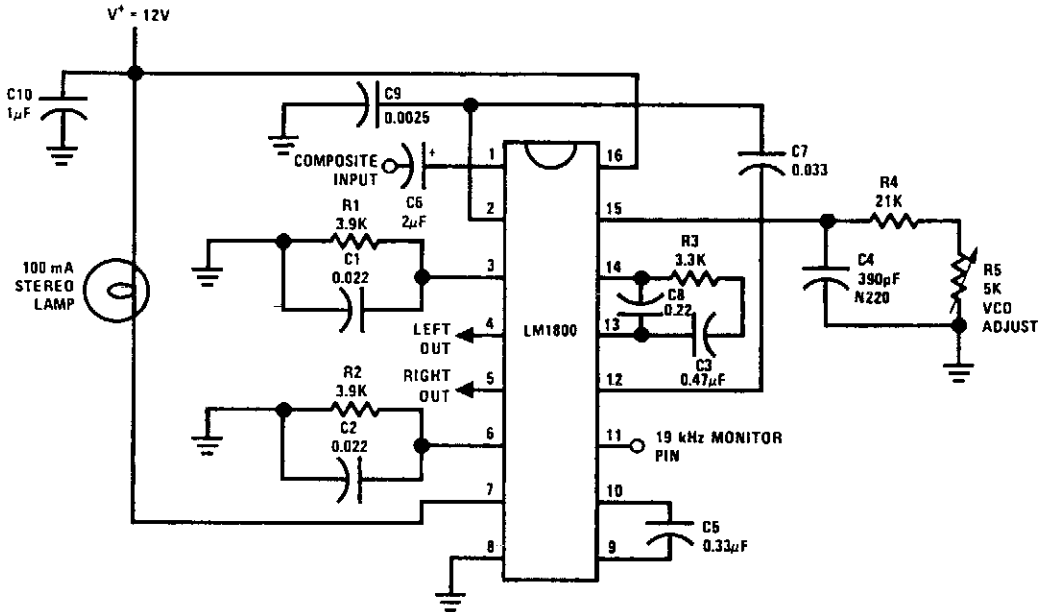


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Fig. 24-1

This DTMF decoder uses a Motorola 68705P3 microcontroller and a 75T202 DTMF receiver (Silicon Systems, Inc.). An LCD module is used for the display (MOD1). Switch S1 is used to scroll the display, S2 clears the display, and S3 clears the memory.

## FM STEREO DECODER

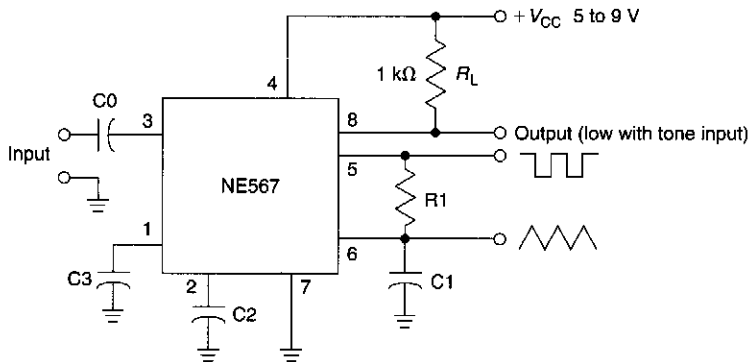


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**Fig. 24-2**

Using an LM1800, this circuit takes composite baseband MPX input and recovers LTR audio channels. The VCO is set for 19 kHz (or 15.7 kHz for TV applications) or as needed.

## TYPICAL NE567 TONE DECODER CIRCUIT



$$f_0 = 1/1.1R_1C_1 \quad BW = 1070\sqrt{V_1/I_0C_2} \quad V_1 \leq 200 \text{ mV RMS}$$

$$X_{CO} \approx < 2 \text{ k}\Omega @ f_0 \quad f_0 \text{ Hz} \quad C_3 \approx 2C_2$$

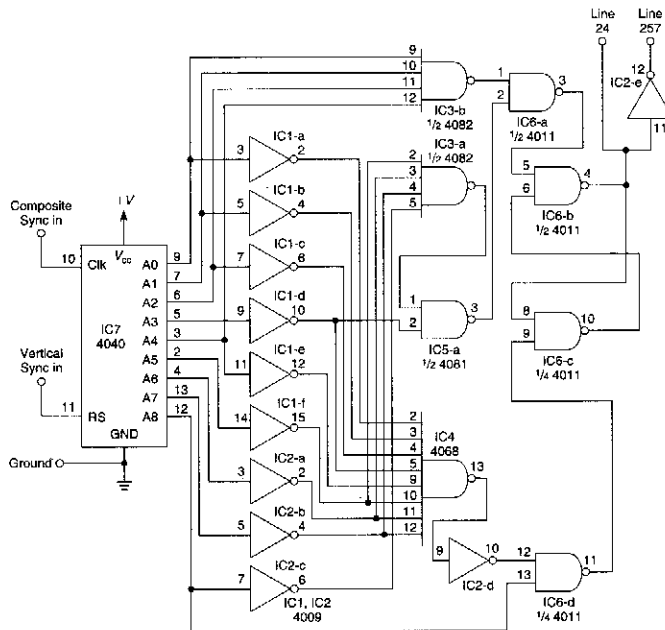
$$C_2 \mu\text{F} \quad V_1 \text{ V}$$

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**Fig. 24-3**

This circuit illustrates use of NE567 as a tone decoder.

## VIDEO LINE DECODER I

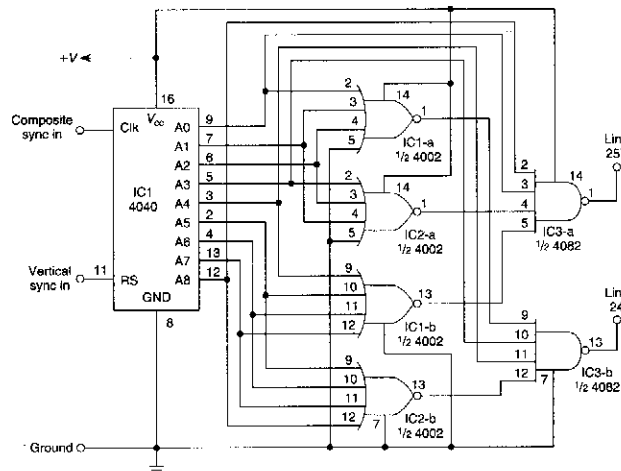


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**Fig. 24-4**

This line decoder uses only one pin for the line indicator.

## VIDEO LINE DECODER II



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**Fig. 24-5**

This circuit will produce pulses useful for gating lines 24 and 257 of a video signal, but by changing the decoding logic, other lines can be decoded.



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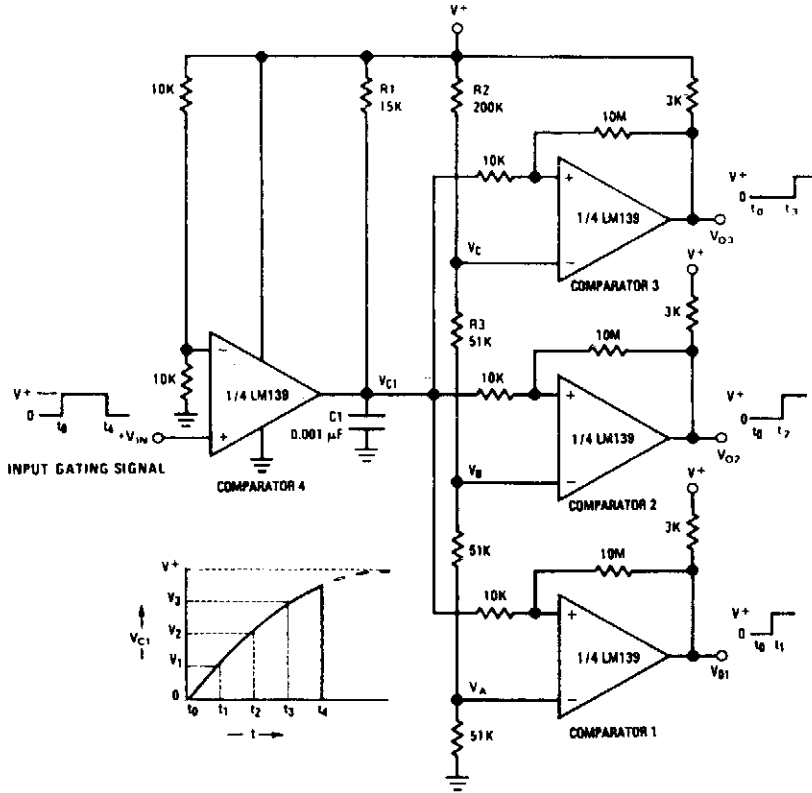
## Delay Circuits

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Time-Delay Generator  
Simple Time Delay Circuit

## TIME-DELAY GENERATOR

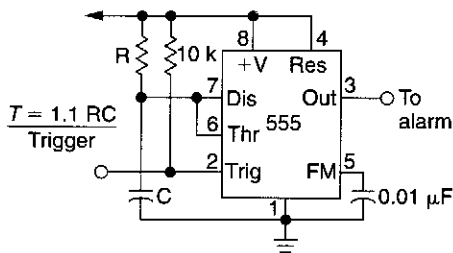


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*Fig. 25-1*

This circuit uses a charging capacitor and three comparators to read the voltage across it.

## SIMPLE TIME DELAY CIRCUIT



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*Fig. 25-2*

Rotating the potentiometer wiper will change the time delay from the 555 IC.

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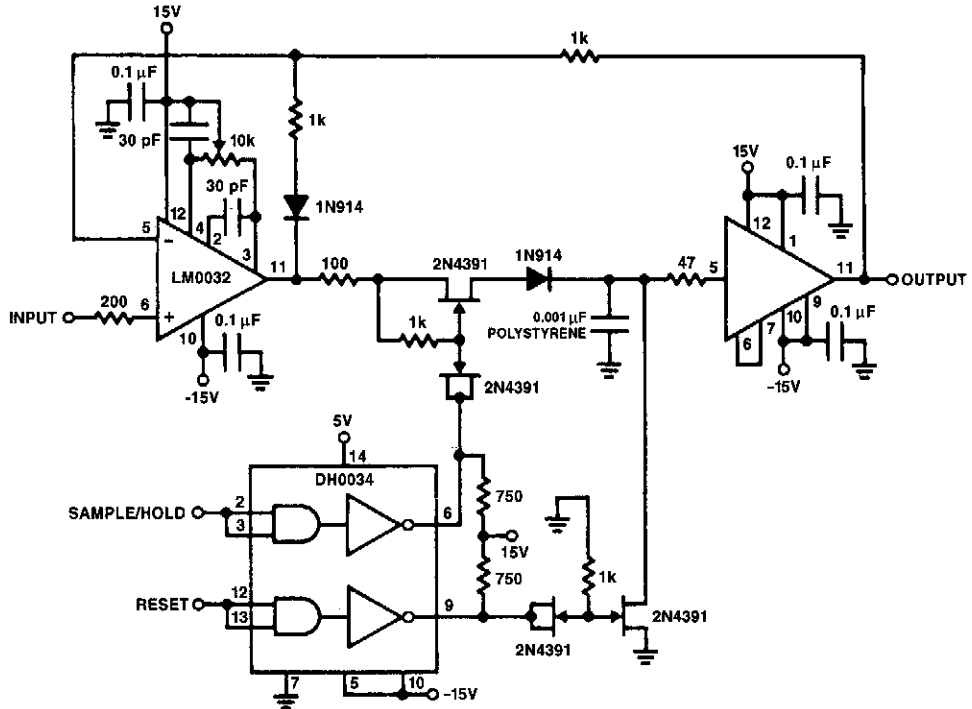
## Detector Circuits

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High-Speed Peak Detector with Hold and Reset Controls  
Lock Detector  
Linearized RF Detector  
Glitch Detector  
VCR Video Detector Controller  
Grid-Leak Detector  
Negative Peak Detector  
Double-Ended Limit Detector  
Positive Peak Detector  
LM556 Timer Frequency Detector  
Single-Comparator Window Detector  
15-kHz Tone Detector  
Crystal Radio Detector  
Switch Closure Circuit  
Air Flow Detector  
Low Drift Peak Detector  
Negative Peak Detector  
Positive Peak Detector  
455-kHz AM Detector  
ac Noise Detector

## HIGH-SPEED PEAK DETECTOR WITH HOLD AND RESET CONTROLS

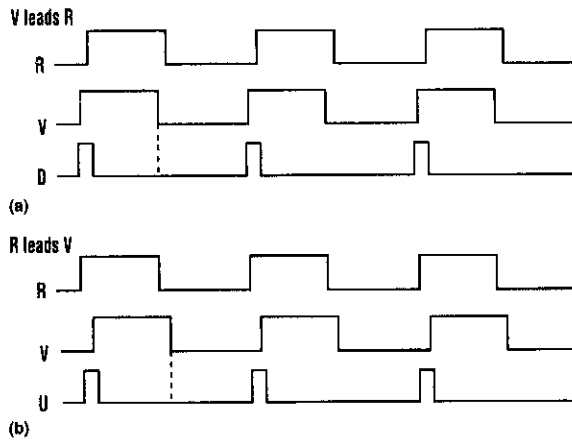
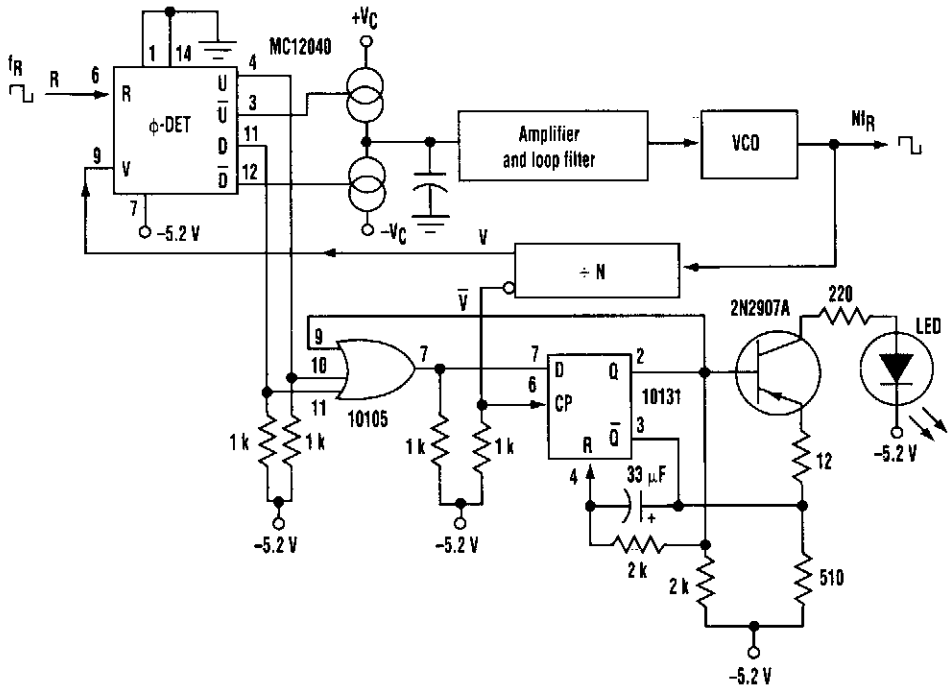


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Fig. 26-1

The LH0033 and LH0063 are useful in high-speed sample-and-hold or peak detector circuits because of their very high speed and low-bias-current FET input stages. The high-speed peak detector circuit shown could be changed to a sample-and-hold circuit simply by removing the detector diode and reset circuitry. For best accuracy, the circuit can be trimmed with the 10-kΩ offset adjustment pot shown. The circuit has a typical acquisition time of 900 ns, to 0.1% of the final value for the 10-V input step signal, and a droop rate of 100 μV/ms. Even faster acquisition time can be achieved by reducing the hold capacitor value.

# LOCK DETECTOR



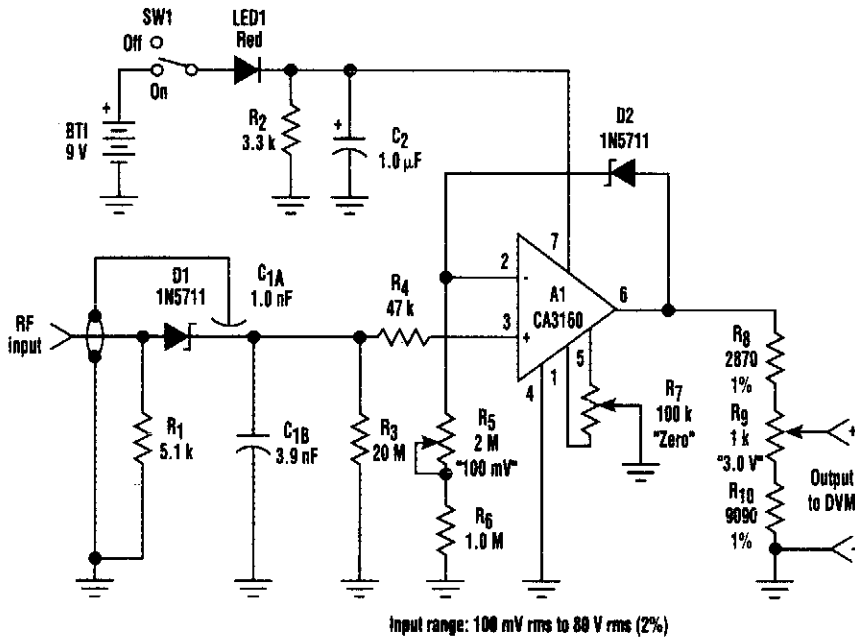
## LOCK DETECTOR (Cont.)

This PLL lock indicator not only can detect a “locked” or “off-of-lock” condition, but also even if a single pulse or transition has been missed.

When being sampled by the flip-flop, if the  $V$  signal leads the input reference signal  $R$  and the rising edge of  $R$  is lost, the  $D$  signal will remain high throughout the interval, allowing the flip-flop to be clocked high (Fig. 26-2A). If the  $R$  signal leads the  $V$  signal when the transition is missed, the rising edge of the  $V$  signal will trigger the  $D$  signal of the phase detector, causing the LED to blink (Fig. 26-2B).

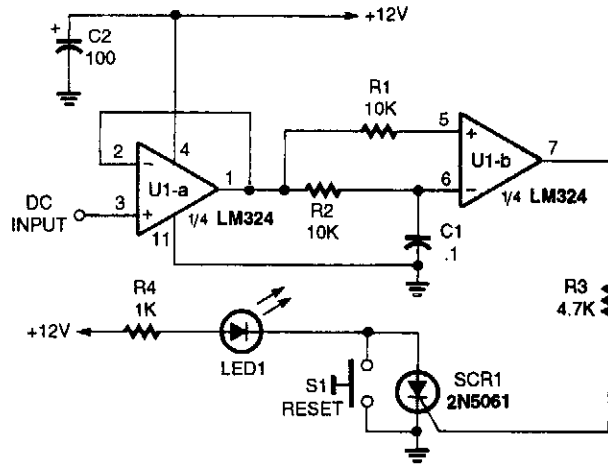
A “lock” detector often is used with a phase-locked loop (PLL) or synthesizer to indicate when the loop is phase-locked with an input signal. This circuit can be helpful, but single cycle skips usually will go undetected because of the presence of the low-pass filter.

## LINEARIZED RF DETECTOR



The circuit produces an extremely linear dc output for RF inputs between 80 mV rms and 4.0 mV rms. For inputs below 50 V rms, the dc output quickly drops to 0 V.

## GLITCH DETECTOR

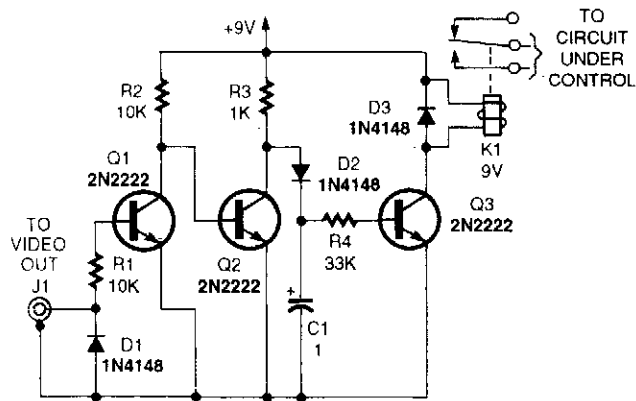


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Fig. 26-4

In the circuit, two op amps (half of an LM324 quad op amp) and an SCR are direct coupled in a dc-voltage monitoring circuit. Op-amp U1-a is configured as a voltage follower, which feeds the bridged inputs of the second op amp, U1-b. A resistor/capacitor combination (R2/C1) connected to the negative input of U1-b forms an RC time-delay circuit. As long as there is no change in the dc-voltage level at either of U1-b's inputs, its output is near zero. If a voltage glitch occurs, the RC timing circuit will delay the voltage change at the op amp's inverting input, causing its output to go high, triggering SCR1 and causing LED1 to light. The circuit's sensitivity allows it to detect voltage changes in the millivolt range. Pressing S1 diverts the SCR's holding current to ground, causing it to turn off and reset the circuit.

## VCR VIDEO DETECTOR CONTROLLER

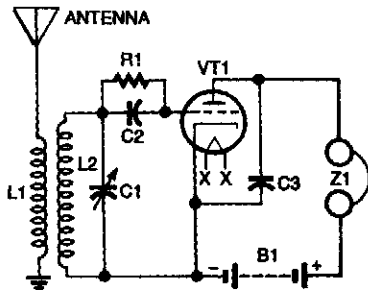


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Fig. 26-5

This circuit uses the video output from a VCR or camera to control a relay. Video turns on Q1, cutting off Q2, allowing Q3 to be forward biased, activating relay K1. You can use the timer in your VCR and this unit to generate long time delays as well.

### GRID-LEAK DETECTOR

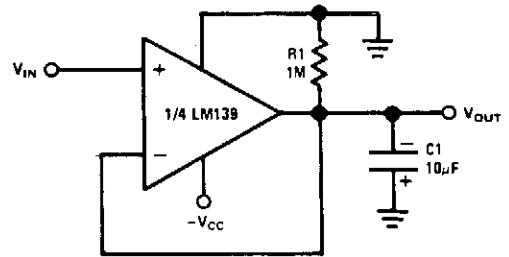


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Fig. 26-6

Tuned-circuit receiver with grid-leak detection.

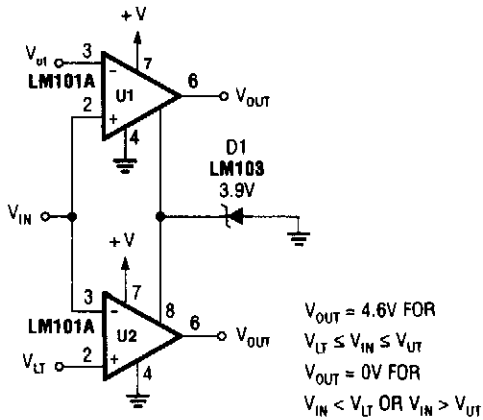
### NEGATIVE PEAK DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-7

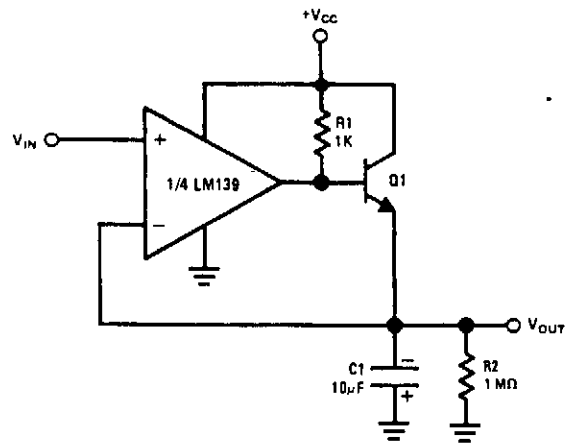
### DOUBLE-ENDED LIMIT DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-8

### POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR

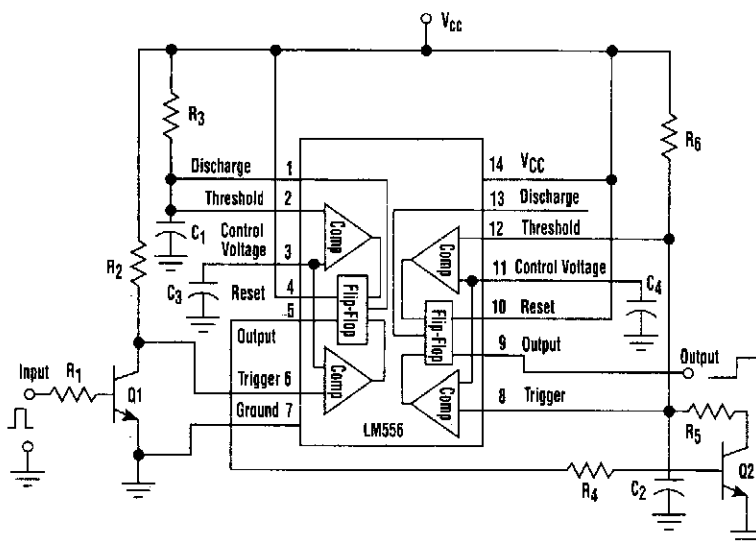


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Fig. 26-9



## LM556 FREQUENCY DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-10

The circuit (see the figure), is built around an LM556 dual-timer IC. The 556's first timer is wired as a one-shot and is used to stretch the incoming pulses into fixed-length pulses. The second timer, which is similar to an astable multivibrator (pin 13 remains disconnected), functions as follows:

The one-shot's fixed-length pulses, which are output on pin 5, turn on Q1 and discharge C2 through R5. If the frequency of the pulses is high enough, the voltage on C2 will fall below  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$  and the second timer's output, pin 9, will go to a logic 1. Conversely, if the frequency is low enough or is zero, the voltage on C2 will charge through R6 to a level above  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$ , and the pin 9 output will go to a logic "0."

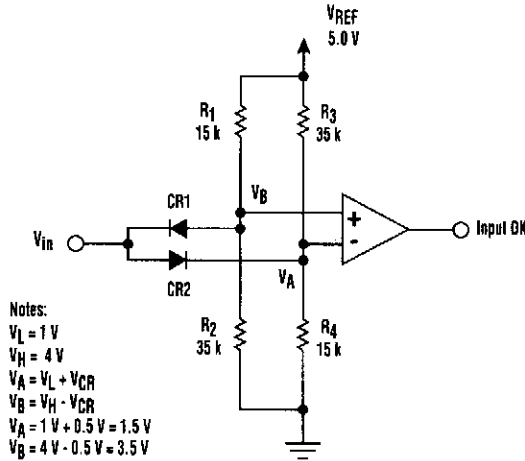
The idea is to keep the upper and lower peak voltage on C2 below  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$  and  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$ , respectively for a logic 1, and above  $\frac{2}{3} V_{CC}$  and  $\frac{1}{3} V_{CC}$ , respectively, for a logic 0.

To find the one-shot values, R3 and C1, select a pulse width ( $1.1 \times R_3 \times C_1$ ) that's greater than the largest input pulse width and less than twice the inverse of the highest input frequency. To find R5, R6, and C2, first determine the duty cycle ( $t_{on}/t_{off}$ ) of the input signal. Next, choose a standard value for C2 and calculate R6:

$$R_6 = \frac{[(t_{off} \times 0.61)^2 + t_{off}]}{C_2}$$

Also,  $R_5 = R_6 (t_{on}/t_{off})$ . A tweak of resistors R5 and R6 might be needed to get the preferred response. Input signals with low duty cycles work the best. Finally, notice that capacitors C3 and C4 can be any value between 0.01 and 0.1  $\mu F$ .

## SINGLE COMPARATOR WINDOW DETECTOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

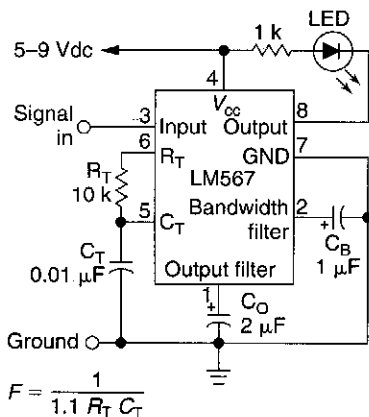
*Fig. 26-11*

Simply by adding two steering diodes, a window detector can be built using only a single comparator. The detector performs well for windows of about 1 V or greater, but it isn't suitable where extreme precision is required because the forward drops of the diodes vary.

In the basic circuit, two resistive dividers set threshold voltage levels at both the inverting and noninverting inputs of the comparator by dividing the reference voltage. The input voltage is steered to the appropriate comparator input by diodes CR1 and CR2.

When the input voltage is within the window, neither diode conducts, and the comparator is biased for a high output. When the input goes above the window, CR2 conducts and pulls the inverting input high, causing the comparator output to go low. When the input voltage goes below the window, CR1 conducts, pulling the noninverting input low, again causing the comparator output to go low. The source resistance of  $V_{in}$  must be low compared to the equivalent parallel resistance of each divider.

## 15-kHz TONE DETECTOR

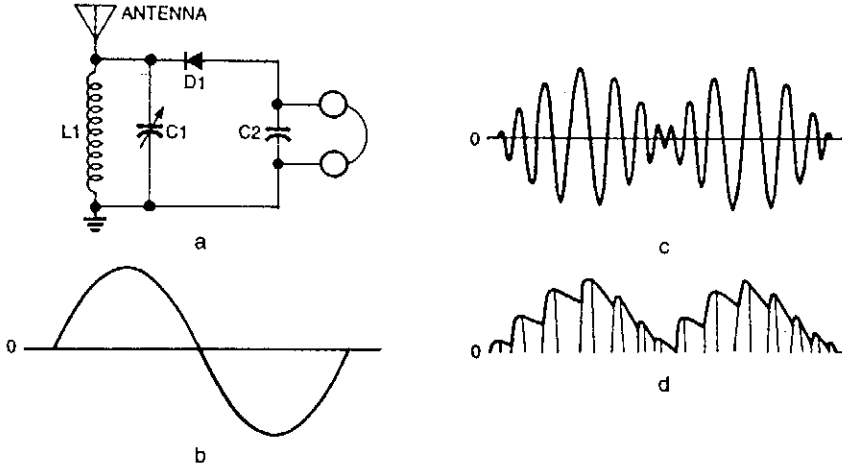


This circuit detects the presence of a 15-kHz audio signal and light the LED when it does so.

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*Fig. 26-12*

## CRYSTAL RADIO DETECTOR

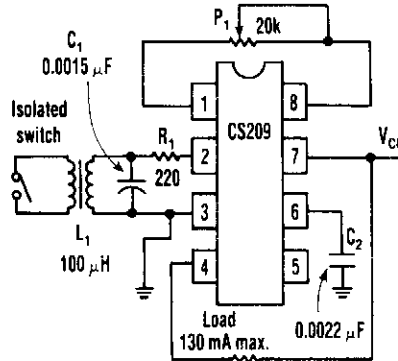


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*Fig. 26-13*

This is a crystal detector receiver with headphones (Fig. 26-13A), audio-frequency signal (Fig. 26-13B), modulated signal (Fig. 26-13C), and a demodulated wave (Fig. 26-13D).

## SWITCH CLOSURE CIRCUIT

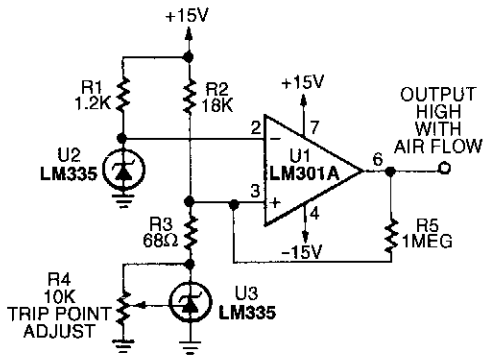


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

*Fig. 26-14*

A standard proximity detector circuit for the Cherry Semiconductor CS209 IC can detect an isolated switch closure by adding a few turns of wire around the circuit's inductor (Radio Shack 273-102). Moreover, the technique doesn't require any isolated power (see the figure). With the switch open, the potentiometer P1 is adjusted until the output switches off. When the switch is closed, the  $Q$  of the circuit changes and the output turns on. Capacitor C1 should be silvered mica, and potentiometer P1 should be a multiturn type such as the Bourns 3006P-1-203. A 9-V supply can be used for Vcc.

### AIR FLOW DETECTOR

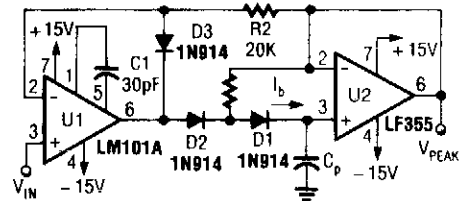


\*SELF HEATING IS USED TO DETECT AIR FLOW

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Fig. 26-15

### LOW DRIFT PEAK DETECTOR



BY ADDING D1 AND R1,  $V_{01} \approx 0$  DURING HOLD MODE. LEAKAGE OF D2 PROVIDED BY FEEDBACK PATH THROUGH R1.

LEAKAGE OF CIRCUIT IS ESSENTIALLY  $I_b$  (LF155, LF156) PLUS CAPACITOR LEAKAGE OF  $C_p$ .

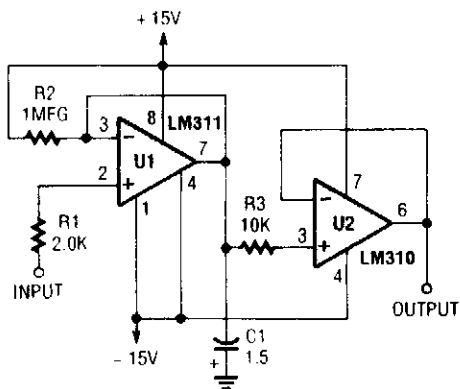
DIODE D3 CLAMPS  $V_{OUT}$  (A1) TO  $V_{IN} - V_{D3}$  TO IMPROVE SPEED AND TO LIMIT REVERSE BIAS OF D2.

MAXIMUM INPUT FREQUENCY SHOULD BE  $\ll \frac{1}{2\pi R_1 C_{D2}}$  WHERE  $C_{D2}$  IS SHUNT CAPACITANCE OF D2.

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Fig. 26-16

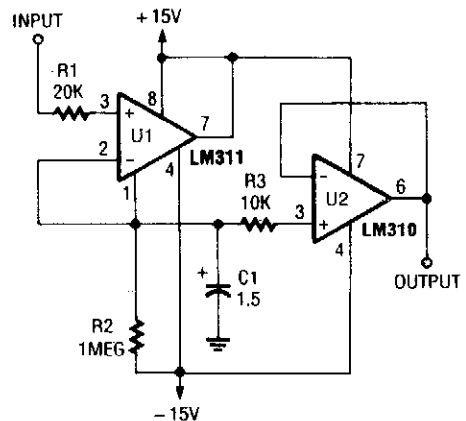
### NEGATIVE PEAK DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-17

### POSITIVE PEAK DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-18

## 455-kHz AM DETECTOR

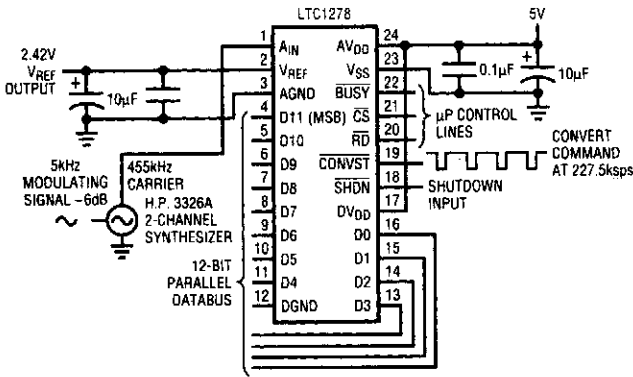


Figure A. The LTC1278 undersamples the 455-kHz carrier to recover the 5-kHz modulating signal

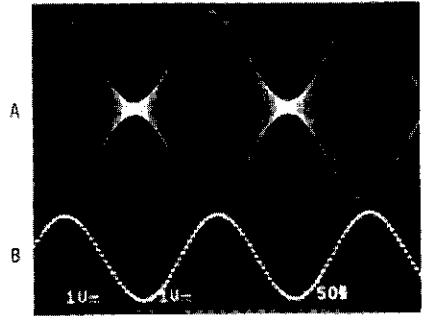


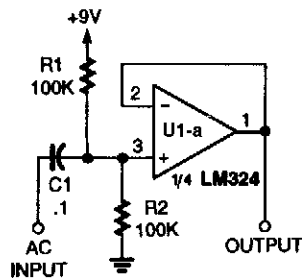
Figure B. Demodulating an IF by undersampling

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Fig. 26-19

The LTC1278 undersamples the 455-kHz carrier to recover the 5-kHz modulating signal. The application shown uses the LTC1278 to undersample (at 227.5 kps) a 455-kHz IF amplitude-modulated by a 5-kHz sine wave. Figures 26-19A and 26-19B show, respectively, the 455-kHz IF carrier and the recovered 5-kHz sine wave that results from a 12-bit DAC reconstruction.

## ac NOISE DETECTOR



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Fig. 26-20

This circuit can be added to the glitch detector to trigger on ac noise.

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## Differential Amplifier Circuits

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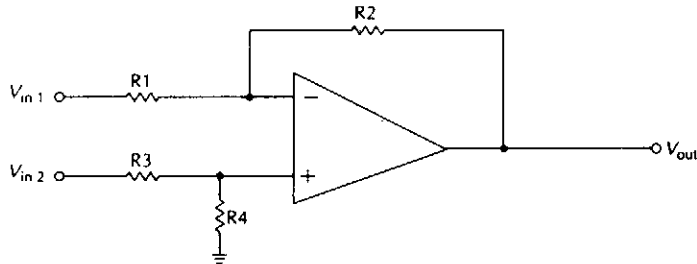
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Basic Op-Amp Differential Amplifier  
Precision High Gain Differential Amp

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## BASIC OP-AMP DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 27-1

In most cases,  $R_1$  is equal to  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  has the same value as  $R_4$ . These equalities don't always have to be true, but they do significantly simplify the circuit design in most practical applications. In any case, for a true differential amplifier, the  $R_3:R_1$  and  $R_4:R_2$  ratios must be equal. That is:

$$\frac{R_3}{R_1} = \frac{R_4}{R_2}$$

The circuit still functions even if these ratios are not maintained, but the signals at the inverting and noninverting inputs are subjected to differing amounts of gain, which would be undesirable in most practical applications.

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= R_2 \\ R_3 &= R_4 \end{aligned}$$

These resistance ratios determine the gain of the amplifier:

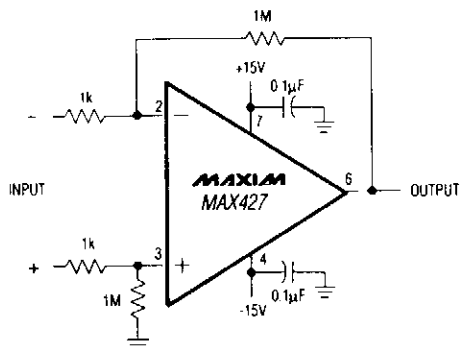
$$G = \frac{R_3}{R_1} = \frac{R_4}{R_2}$$

Assuming that the resistance ratios are maintained, the output voltage is equal to the differences between the two input voltages, multiplied by the gain. That is,

$$V_{OUT} = G \times (V_1 - V_2)$$

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## PRECISION HIGH-GAIN DIFFERENTIAL AMP



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Fig. 27-2

This circuit has a gain of 60 dB and a gain bandwidth of 8 MHz.

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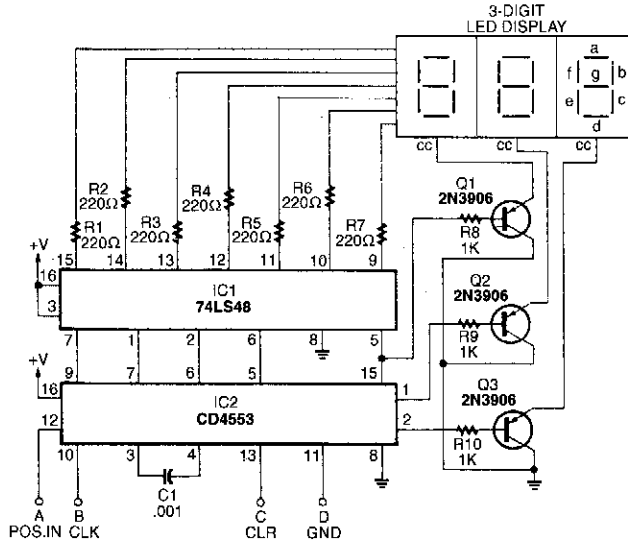
## Display Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Multiplexed BCD Decoder-Driver Circuit
- Color-Shifting LED Display
- Stereo Level Display
- High-Efficiency Display Contrast and Backlight Control
- Bar-Graph Level Gauge
- Simple Color Organ
- Voice Level Meter
- LCD Contrast Temperature Compensator
- LED Bargraph Driver Circuit

## MULTIPLEXED BCD DECODER-DRIVER CIRCUIT



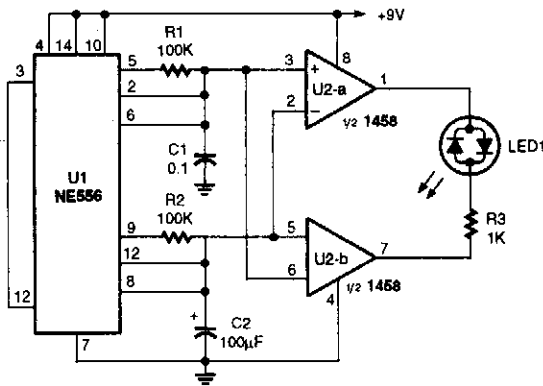
ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 28-1

The BCD decoder-driver circuit will interface with any standard BCD output to produce a digital display.

## COLOR-SHIFTING LED DISPLAY

This circuit is used to make a tricolor LED gradually change color from yellow to red to yellow to green, and then back to yellow, where the cycle repeats. It is very simple to make, and the theory of operation is also simple. Both of the timers in the 556 dual oscillator/timer are configured for astable operation with a 50% duty cycle. One timer is set to oscillate much faster than the other. The timing capacitor voltage of each is sent to two comparators, which apply a voltage across the tri-color LED whose polarity depends on which capacitor voltage is higher. The rapidly changing capacitor's voltage causes the red and green elements of the LED to be alternately lit, thus giving the illusion of yellow light. As the slowly rising and falling voltage from the slower trimming capacitor changes in average value, it shifts the duty cycle to favor one color or the other. That gives the transition between colors a smooth appearance.

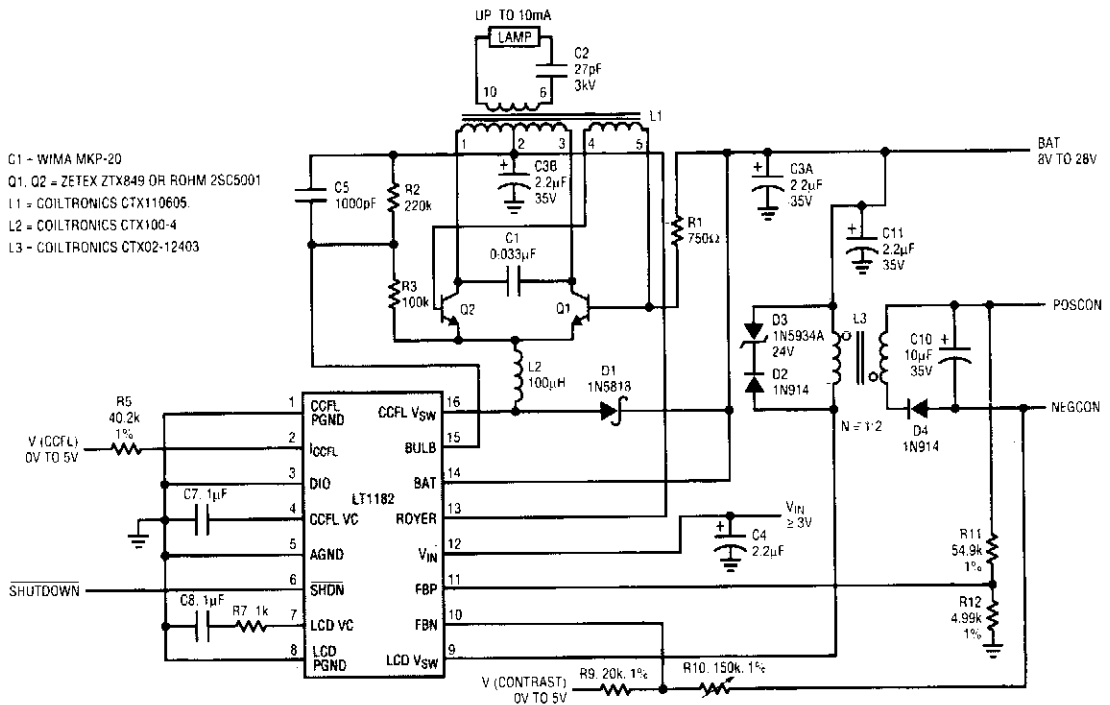


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Fig. 28-2



## HIGH-EFFICIENCY DISPLAY CONTRAST AND BACKLIGHT CONTROL

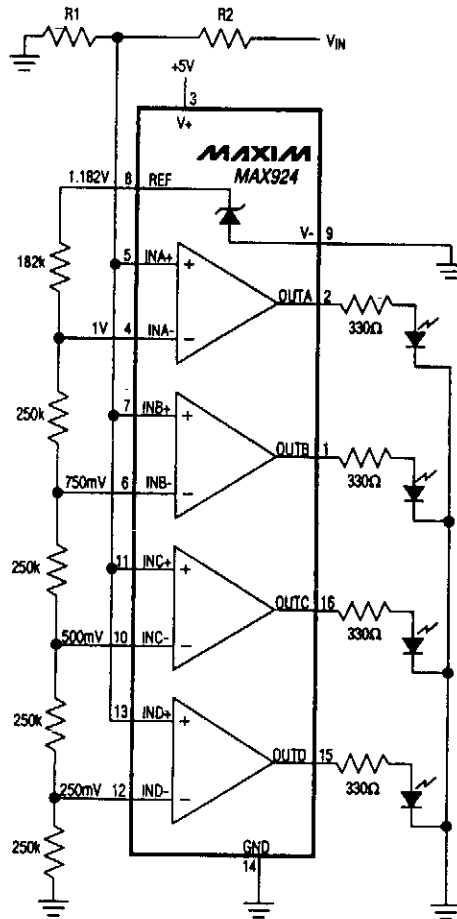


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Fig. 28-4

The LT1182 and LT1183 are compact high-performance solutions for powering LCD screens used in portable computers and instruments. Backlight control using a Cold Cathode Fluorescent lamp (CCFL) is accomplished with a switching regulator at efficiencies up to 90%. A second switching regulator converts the positive input to either positive or negative bias voltages used for LCD contrast control. Both regulators allow full range of adjustment using a D/A converter, PWM or potentiometer control. Grounded bulb configurations are also easily controlled with minimal parts count. The 200-kHz switching frequency minimizes the size of transformers and external components. A shutdown mode powers down both regulators and reduces supply current to just 35 μA.

## BAR-GRAPH LEVEL GAUGE



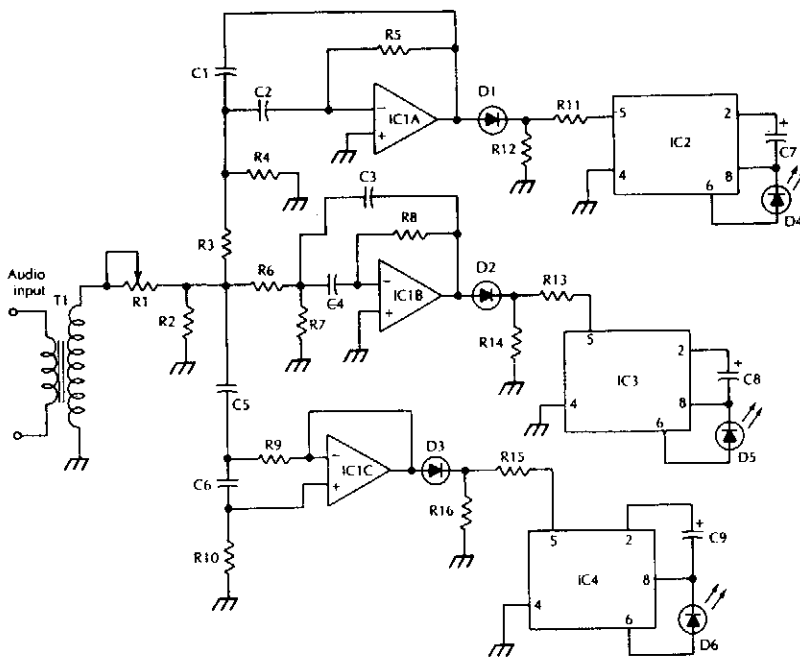
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Fig. 28-5

A quad comparator and divider network form a 4-level comparator that drives 4 LEDs. R1 and R2 can be used to scale the basic sensitivity of 250 mV/LED to higher voltages than the basic 1 volt (for all 4 LEDs lit).

## SIMPLE COLOR ORGAN

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| IC1                    | op amp  |
| IC2, IC3, IC4          | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator                                       |
| D1, D2, D3             | diode (1N914, 1N4148, or similar)                                   |
| D4, D5, D6             | LED   |
| T1                     | impedance-matching transformer (8 $\Omega$ :1 k $\Omega$ —see text) |
| C1, C2, C3, C4         | 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor   |
| C5                     | 0.047 $\mu$ F capacitor   |
| C6                     | 0.01 $\mu$ F capacitor  |
| C7, C8, C9             | 47 $\mu$ F 6 V electrolytic capacitor                               |
| R1                     | 100 k $\Omega$ potentiometer  |
| R2                     | 47 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                     |
| R3                     | 2.2 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                    |
| R4                     | 680 $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                      |
| R5                     | 220 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                    |
| R6                     | 390 $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                      |
| R7                     | 1.2 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                    |
| R8, R10, R12, R14, R16 | 10 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                     |
| R9                     | 3.3 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                    |
| R11, R13, R15          | 33 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                                     |

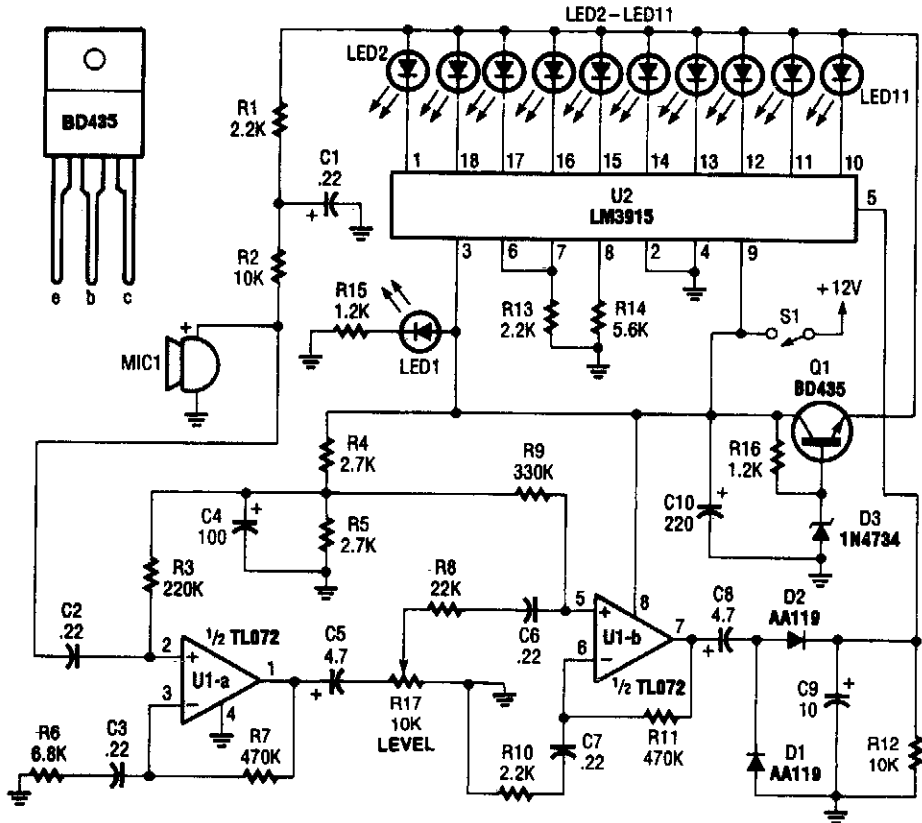


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**Fig. 28-6**

Three active filters that divide the audio spectrum into three bands drive rectifiers and then drive IC2, 3, and 4, flashing the LEDs at 6 Hz. D4, D5, and D6 should be three different colors for best effect.

## VOICE LEVEL METER



*This volume meter can be handy anywhere you need to measure the relative sound level in a room. It is readily adjustable to increase its usefulness.*

Using an LM3915 VU meter LED bar graph driver, 10 LEDs are driven. A simple audio amplifier drives a detector circuit, which provides dc drive for the LM3915.

## LCD CONTRAST TEMPERATURE COMPENSATOR

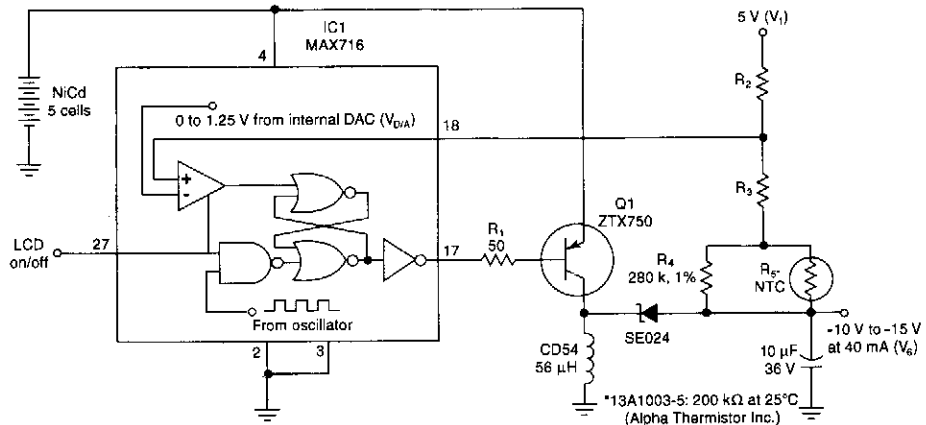


Fig. 28-8

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Negative temperature-coefficient resistor  $R_5$  modifies feedback in this switching regulator, which results in a negative output voltage that varies with temperature. With properly chosen resistor values, the circuit produces a temperature-compensated bias voltage that ensures constant contrast in an LCD.

## LED BARGRAPH DRIVER CIRCUIT

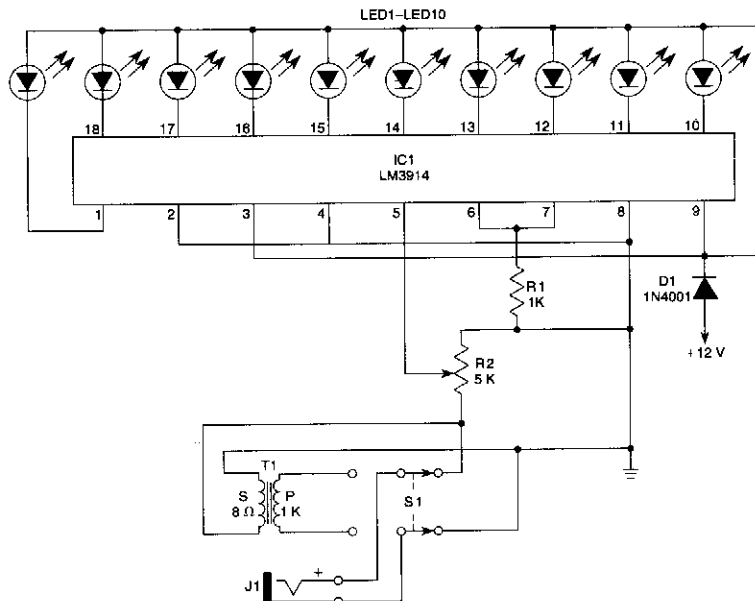


Fig. 28-9

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This circuit is used as an audio indicator.  $S_1$  selects direct input or a 1-k $\Omega$  (high impedance) audio input.  $R_2$  is a sensitivity control.



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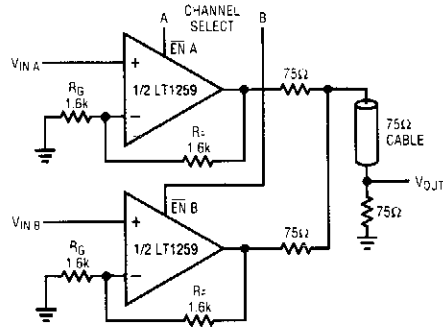
## Driver Circuits

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Two-Input Video MUX Cable Driver  
Impedance-Matched Line Driver with 75- $\Omega$  Load  
Tests Driver for Hobby Servos  
Stereo Line Driver  
High-Speed Shield/Line Driver  
Simple Neon Light Driver  
High-Side MOSFET Driver  
TTL-Based Speaker Driver  
Low-Distortion Composite  $\pm 100$ -mA Line Driver  
Video Cable Driver  
Coax Cable Driver  
Ultra Low Distortion  $\pm 50$ -mA Driver  
Very Efficient Solenoid Driver

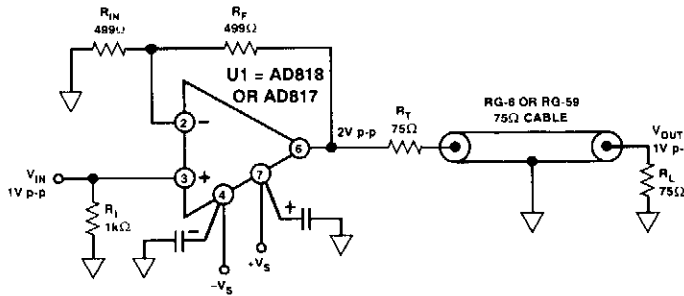
## TWO-INPUT VIDEO MUX CABLE DRIVER



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Fig. 29-1

## IMPEDANCE-MATCHED LINE DRIVER WITH 75-Ω LOAD

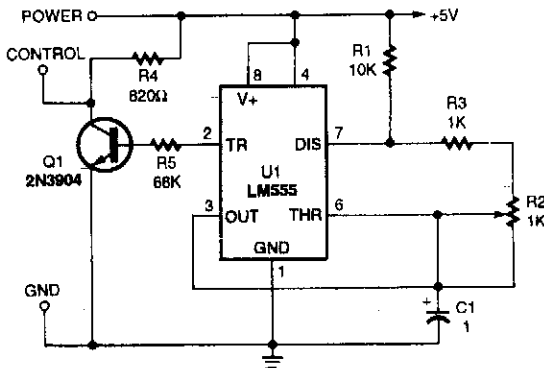


ANALOG DIALOG

Fig. 29-2

This circuit is a wideband 75-Ω line driver, for video applications (1 V p-p into 75 Ω).

## TESTS DRIVER FOR HOBBY SERVOS

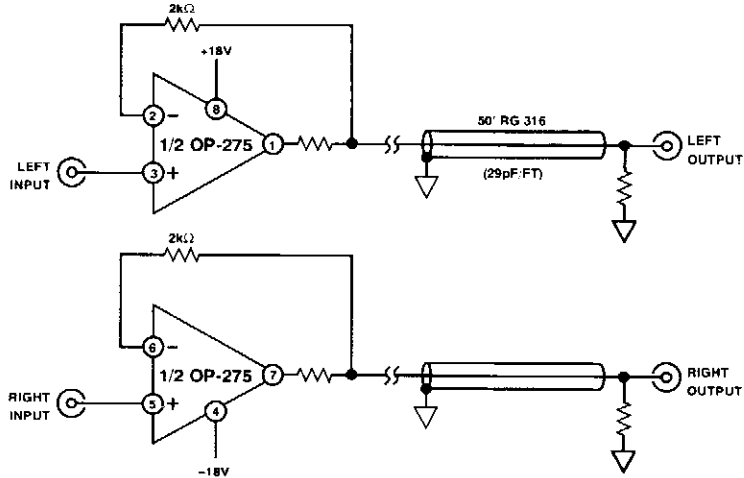


This circuit will generate the pulse used to control hobby servos. With the components shown the servo should produce a 90° total rotation.

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Fig. 29-3

## STEREO LINE DRIVER

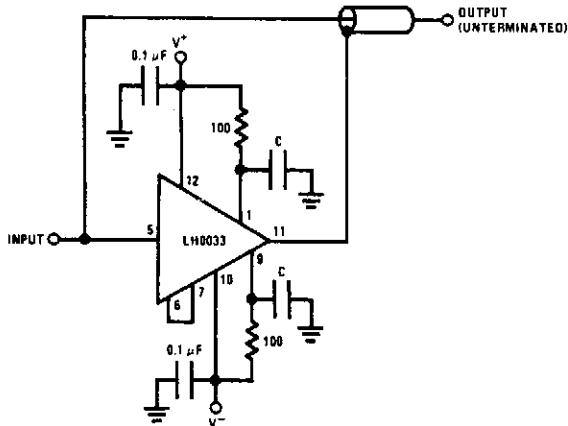


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 29-4

One Analog Devices OP-275 can be used for stereo line driver applications.

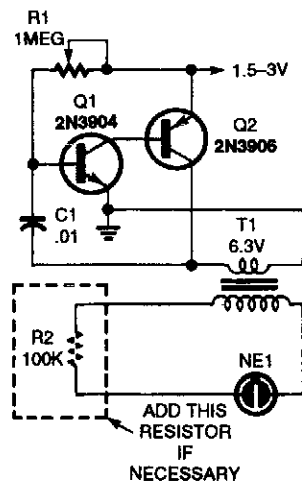
## HIGH-SPEED SHIELD/LINE DRIVER



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Fig. 29-5

## SIMPLE NEON LIGHT DRIVER

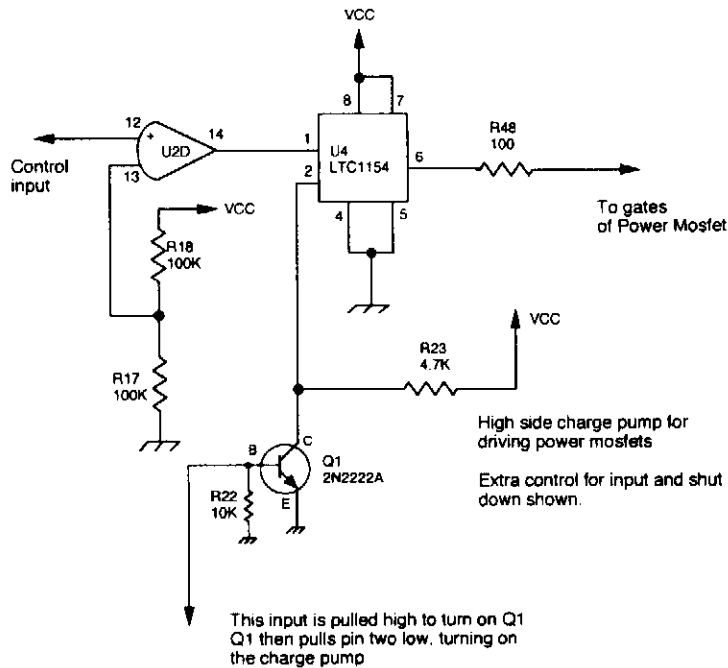


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Fig. 29-6

NE1, a neon lamp, is lit by this simple inverter circuit. T1 is a 20:1 turn ratio transformer (transistor radio output, etc.).

## HIGH-SIDE MOSFET DRIVER

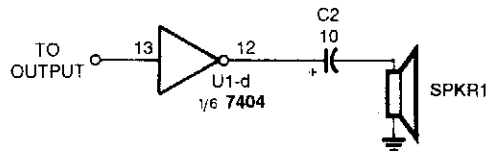


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Fig. 29-7

A Linear Technology LTC1154 is used as a charge pump to drive the gate of a high-side power MOSFET.

## TTL-BASED SPEAKER DRIVER

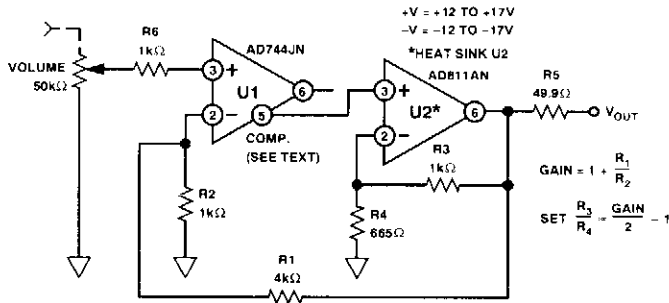


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Fig. 29-8

A TTL IC, such as a 7404, can drive a small speaker with enough audio to be used as an alarm or annunciator. The speaker can be a 32- or 100- $\Omega$  unit.

## LOW-DISTORTION COMPOSITE $\pm 100\text{-mA}$ LINE DRIVER

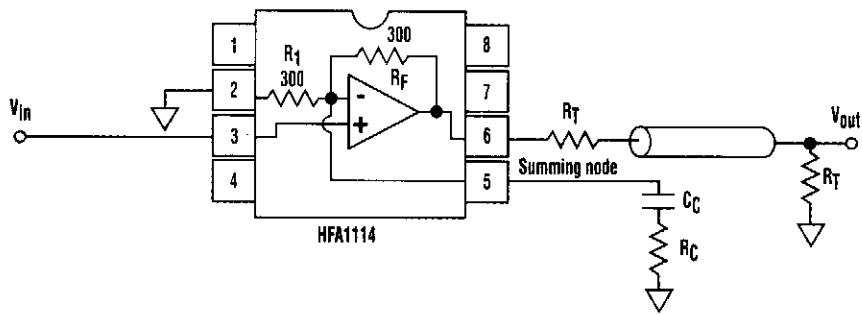


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Fig. 29-9

This line driver combines the high input impedance of an FET-input IC and a 100-mA op amp. U1's output is left open. The compensation terminal (pins) drive U2's high-Z input for increased overall phase margin. Gain is 14 dB, THD  $+N$  at 5 V, and RMS output is around 0.001% below 20 kHz.

## VIDEO CABLE DRIVER



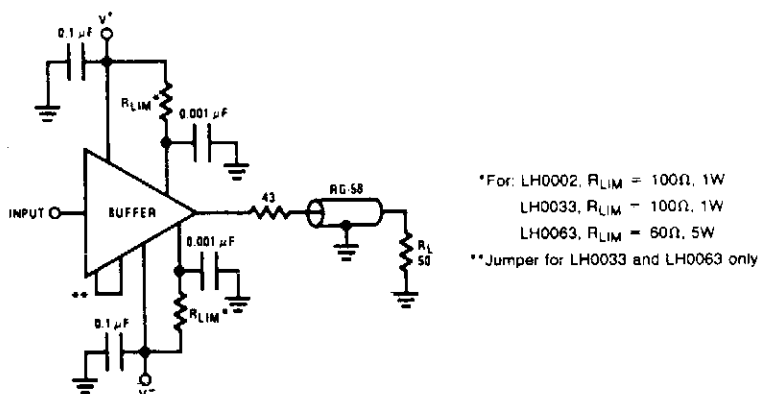
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 29-10

The driver's frequency response is tunable for a specific cable length via components connected to the summing node. By shunting  $R_1$ ,  $R_c$  acts to increase the amplifier's gain, and  $C_c$  controls the cut-off frequency of the compensation.

These three components peak the amplifier's frequency response to counteract the cable's roll-off characteristic. By squeezing more bandwidth out of a given cable, higher-performance cables aren't needed.

## COAX CABLE DRIVER

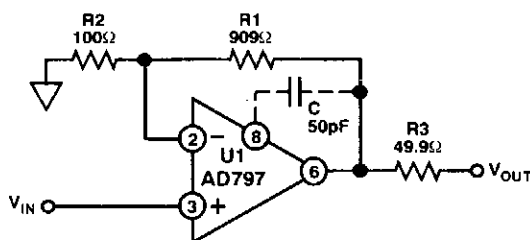


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Fig. 29-11

Because of their high-current drive capability, the LH0002, LH0033, and LH0063 buffer amplifiers are suitable for driving terminated or unterminated coaxial cables, and high-current or reactive loads. Current-limiting resistors should be used to protect the device from excessive peak load currents or accidental short circuit. No current limiting is built into the devices other than that imposed by the limited beta of the output transistors. This figure shows a coaxial-cable drive circuit. The 43- $\Omega$  resistor is included, the output voltage to the load is about half what it would be without the near-end termination.

## ULTRA LOW DISTORTION $\pm 50$ -mA DRIVER



ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 29-12

For a 600- $\Omega$  load, THD is typically  $-115$  dB at 20 kHz, 3-V RMS output, with  $\pm 15$ -V supplies. The  $-3$ -dB BW is 6 MHz.



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## Electronic Lock Circuits

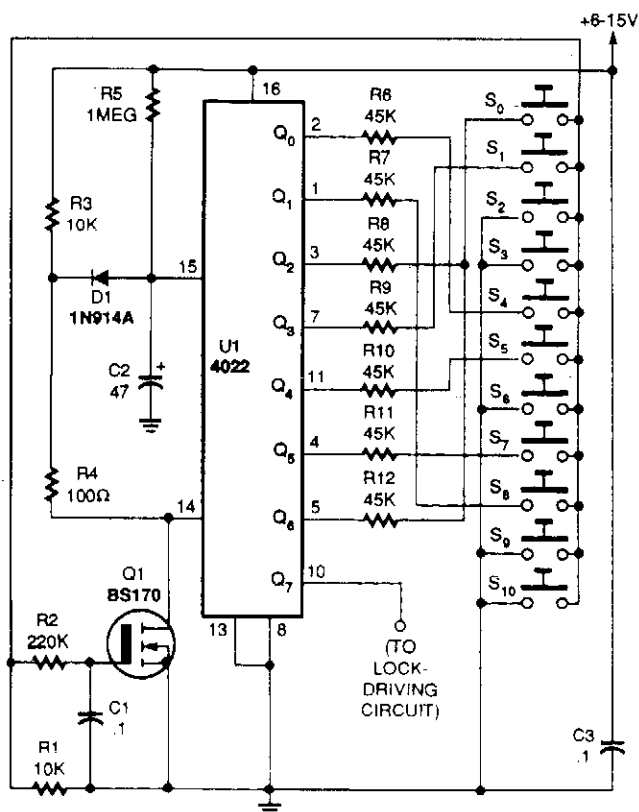
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Electronic Lock  
Frequency-Based Lock  
Simple Lock



## ELECTRONIC LOCK

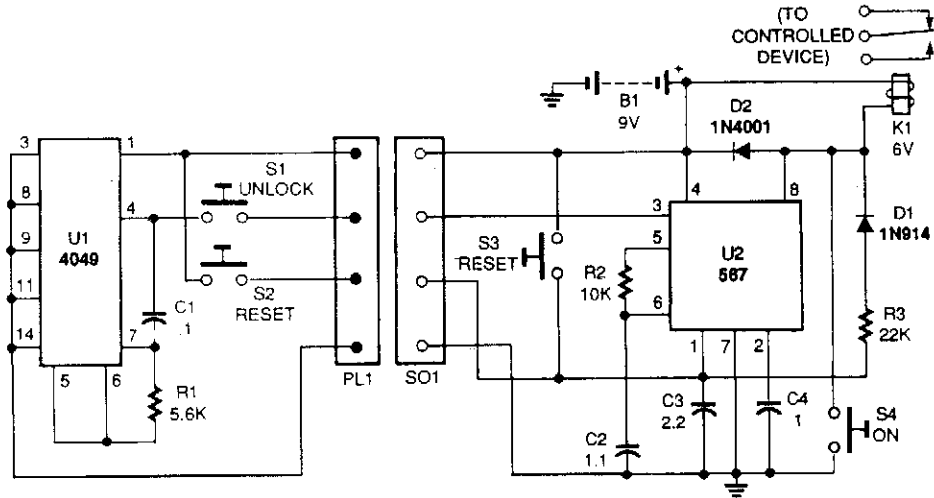


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Fig. 30-1

The heart of the circuit is a 4022 octal counter. When first powered up, C2 is charged via R5, so the reset input of the counter is kept high. That causes output Q<sub>0</sub> to go high while all other outputs are low. With the switches wired as shown, when S<sub>4</sub> is pressed, the BS170 is switched on via debouncing network R2/C1, and U1 receives a clock pulse. Also, C2 is discharged via R4 and D1, removing the reset signal of the counter, allowing it to advance. The time required for C2 to charge via R5 (i.e., to reset the counter), is the maximum time that can lapse before the next key is pressed. The above cycle is therefore repeated only if S<sub>8</sub> (connected to the Q<sub>1</sub> output) is pressed in time. When all keys have been pressed in time and in the correct order, Q<sub>7</sub> goes high for about four seconds to drive the "unlock" circuitry (e.g., a relay driver for an automatic door opener. A builder can change the code by reviewing the switches. The code for the lock shown in the circuit diagram is 4-8-0-1-5-7-0. However, the 4022 octal counter can be replaced by a 4017 divide-by-10 counter. That will make it possible to add two more digits to the combination.

## FREQUENCY-BASED LOCK



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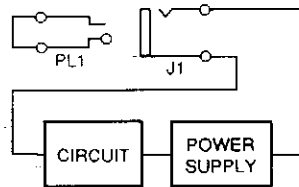
**Fig. 30-2**

The system is formed by two separate circuits—a key and a keyhole. The key engages the keyhole with a mating pair of connectors. The key is a tone-generator circuit consisting of a 4049 hex inverter CMOS IC (U1), switches (S1 and S2), a resistor (R1), and a capacitor (C1). The value of the tone generated by that circuit in Hz is determined by;

$$\frac{1}{(1.4 \times R_1 C_1)}$$

The keyhole is a 567 tone-decoder circuit that can be configured to detect any frequency from 0.01 Hz to 500 kHz. The frequency it detects ( $f_0$ ), via the 567 IC, turns on the relay (K1). Components R3 and D1 are used to latch the circuit, so the output stays on even after the input tone is removed. When S2 is pressed, the system is reset. Switch S3 resets the circuit from inside.

## SIMPLE LOCK



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**Fig. 30-3**

Only an appropriately wired plug of the right size will activate circuits with a nonshorting jack in their power supply circuit.

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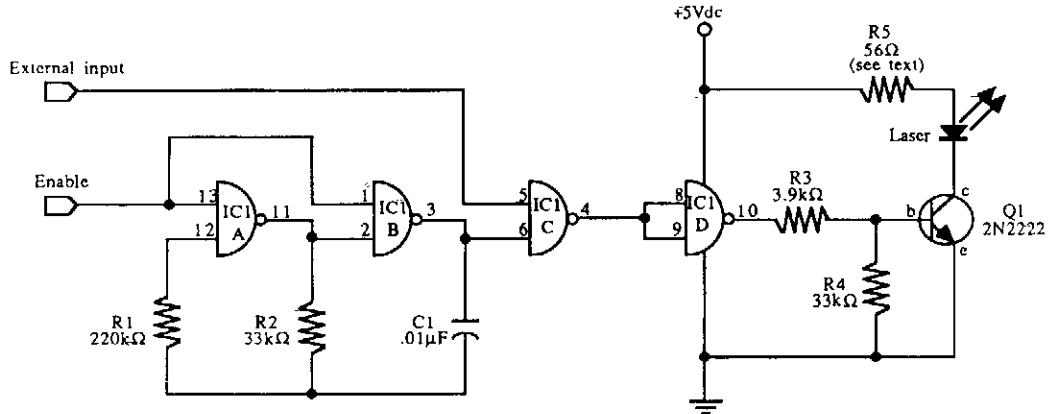
## Fiber-Optics Circuits

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Experimental Data Transmitter for Fiber Optics  
Experimental Fiber-Optic Data Receiver

## EXPERIMENTAL DATA TRANSMITTER FOR FIBER OPTICS

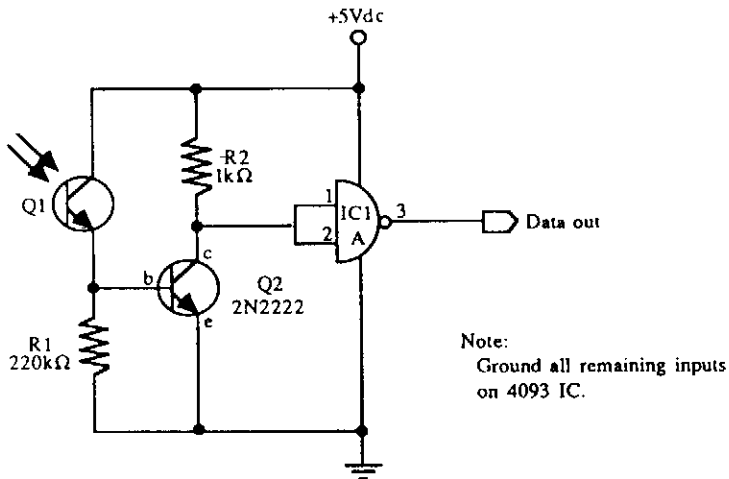


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Fig. 31-1

This schematic for an experimental data transmitter uses optical fibers and a laser diode. Transmission frequency of the free-running oscillator is approximately 3 kHz. R5 might have to be varied to suit your laser diode. IC1 is a CD4093.

## EXPERIMENTAL FIBER-OPTIC DATA RECEIVER



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Fig. 31-2

An infrared phototransistor acts as the sensor for this receiver. IC1a is a section of a CD4093 CMOS NAND gate.

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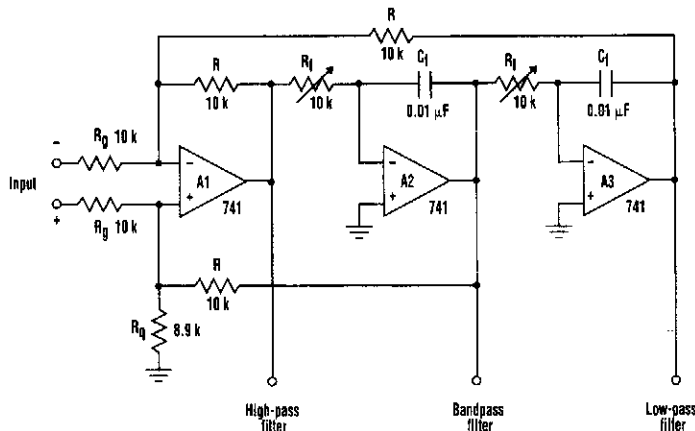
## Filter Circuits

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|---|--|
| State Variable Filter                     | Single 3.3-V Supply 4-Pole State Variable Filter |
| Sallen-Key High-Pass Filter               | High-Q Notch Filter                              |
| Active Bandpass Filter Circuit            | Adjustable Q Notch Filter                        |
| High-Pass Filter                          | Digital Comb Filter                              |
| Second-Order Voltage-Controlled Filter    | Voltage-Controlled Low-Pass Filter               |
| Combination Filter                        | VSB Filter for LM2889                            |
| Shortwave Receiver IF Filter              | 20-kHz Butterworth Active Filter                 |
| Pin Diode Filter Selection Circuit        | Bandpass Filter                                  |
| High-Pass Active Filter                   | Sallen-Key Low-Pass Filter                       |
| AM Broadcast Trap for Simple SW Receivers | Active High-Pass Filter                          |
| Shortwave Interference Trap               | RC Notch Filter                                  |
| Programmable Analog Filter                | 1-kHz 4th-Order Butterworth Filter               |
| Active Low-Pass Filter                    | Saw-Filter Impedance-Matching Preamplifier       |
| Two Op-Amp Bandpass Filter                | One Op-Amp Bandpass Filter                       |

## STATE VARIABLE FILTER

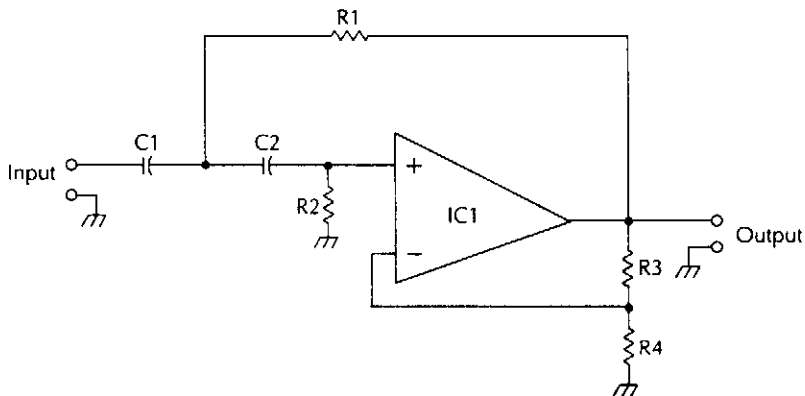


**Fig. 32-1**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

The state variable filter shown consists of only three op amps and a few passive components. It provides several key features. These include the ability to simultaneously provide low-pass, high-pass, and bandpass filter functions, and adjust bandwidth in a wide range by changing the values of  $C_1$  and  $R_f$ . The device also is easy to tune and simple to construct, while the quality factor ( $Q$ ) of each filter is independent of each other.

## SALLEN-KEY HIGH-PASS FILTER



**Fig. 32-2**

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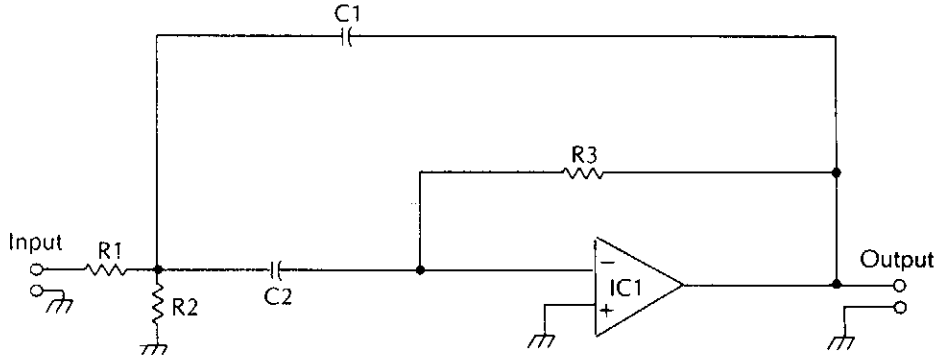
$R_3$  and  $R_4$  set the circuit gain

$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}}$$

usually  $C_1 = C_2, R_1 = R_2$

$$R_3 = 0.586 R_4$$

## ACTIVE BANDPASS FILTER CIRCUIT



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In this circuit,

**Fig. 32-3**

$$C_1 = C_2 = C$$

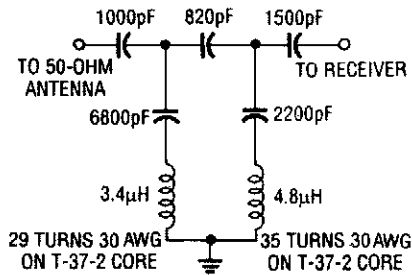
$$Q = \frac{f_0}{BW} \quad K = \text{circuit gain, } f_0 = \text{center frequency}$$

$$R_1 = \frac{Q}{2\pi f_0 C K}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{2Q}{2\pi f_0 C}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{Q}{2\pi f_0 C(2Q - K)}$$

## HIGH-PASS FILTER

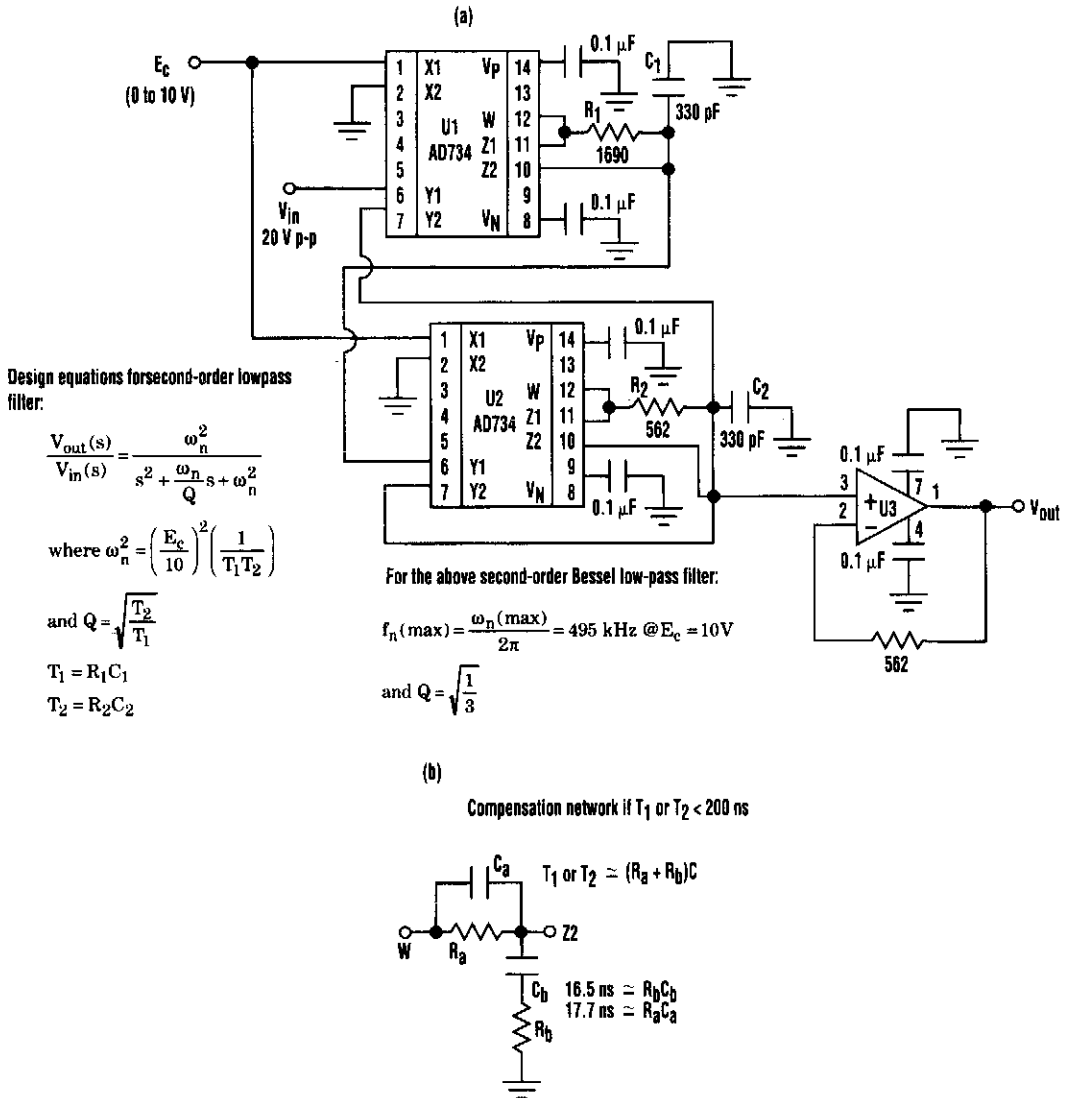


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 32-4**

This high-pass filter will attenuate AM stations by 40 dB. Its low-frequency cutoff is about 2.2 MHz. This filter is useful for SW listening in areas of high AM radio signal strength.

## SECOND-ORDER VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED FILTER



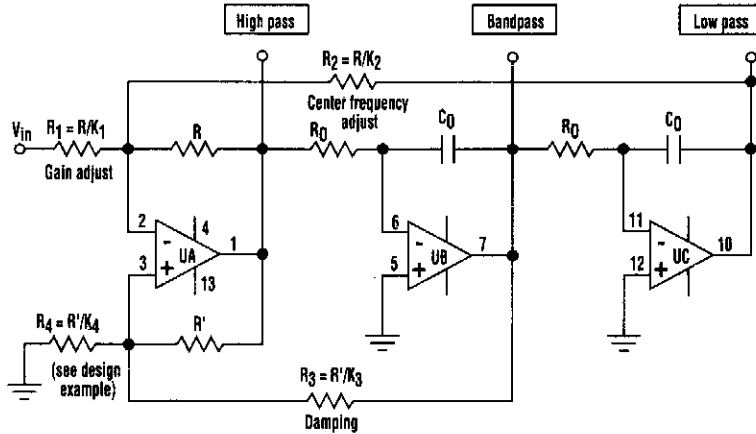
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 32-5

Desirable second-order voltage-controlled low-pass filter response can be achieved with this voltage-controlled filter (A). By using low-distortion, wide-bandwidth multipliers, it achieves higher cutoff frequencies than switched-capacitor filters. If the circuit's RC network has a time constant less than 200 ns, it should be replaced by a lag compensator network (B).



## COMBINATION FILTER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

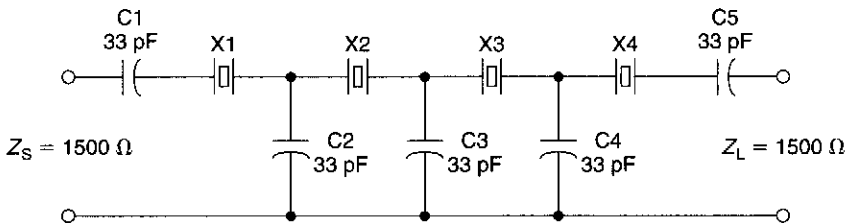
Fig. 32-6

The classic “state variable” two-integrator filter is known for its insensitivity to component variations, and its ability to provide three separate simultaneous outputs—low pass, high pass, and bandpass.

Typically, a quad op amp is used to implement the state-variable filter. The classic configuration uses two integrating amplifiers, a filter input amplifier, and a filter feedback amplifier.

The design described here combines both input and feedback amplifiers into one adder/subtractor amplifier, achieving a three op-amp filter design (see the figure).

## SHORTWAVE RECEIVER IF FILTER



3-MHz IF filter  
 $BW = 700 \text{ Hz}$   
 $IL \approx 4 \text{ dB}$

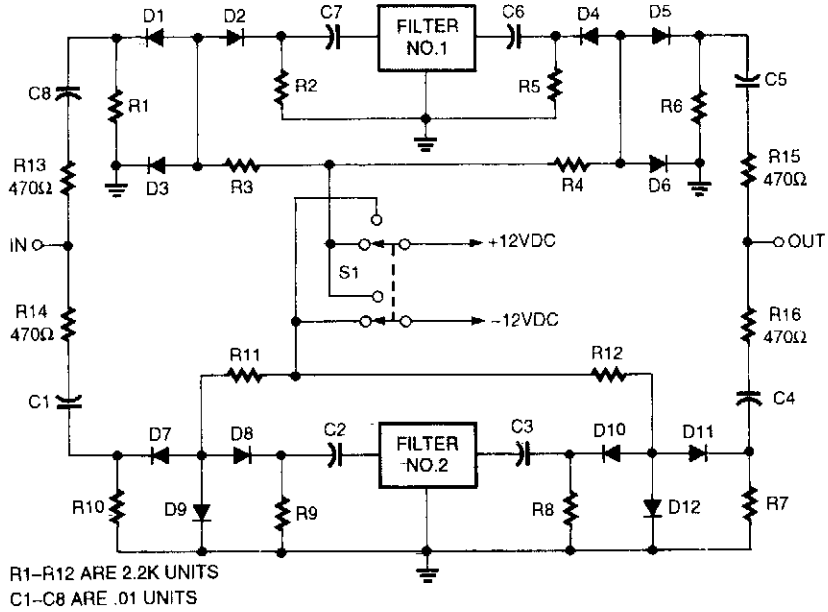
X1 through X4 3.000 MHz  $\pm 50 \text{ Hz}$   
 $C_x = C1 \text{ through } C5 \text{ } 33 \text{ pF } \pm 5\% \text{ NPO}$

WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 32-7

An inexpensive filter can be made from microprocessor crystals. This filter has 700 Hz BW (3 dB) and has a flat response ( $<1 \text{ dB}$ ) for about 400 to 500 Hz. Although a 3-MHz crystal was used, any frequency from 2 to 15 MHz (using fundamental crystal) should work, with appropriate scaling of components. Crystal resonant frequencies should match within 20% and preferably 10% of expected bandwidth (which is narrower as  $C_x$  increases. Impedance is reduced with wider bandwidths.

### PIN DIODE FILTER SELECTION CIRCUIT

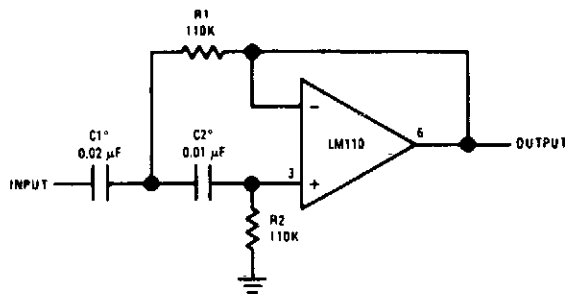


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 32-8

Selecting IF bandpass filters via series/shunt PIN-diode switching can be accomplished with this circuit.

### HIGH-PASS ACTIVE FILTER

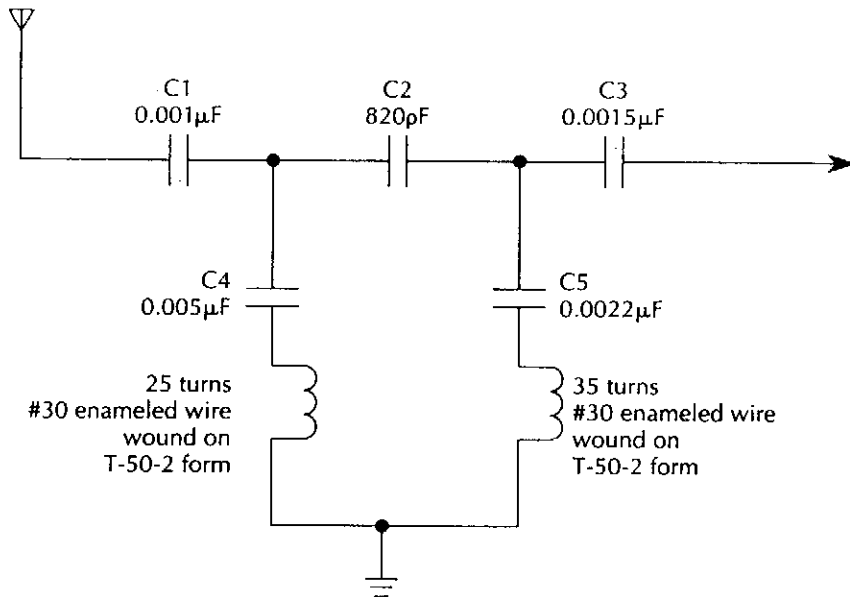


\*Values are for 100 Hz cutoff. Use metallized polycarbonate capacitors for good temperature stability

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-9

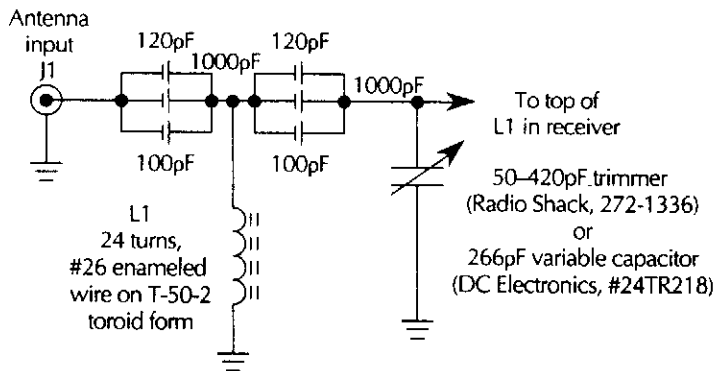
## AM BROADCAST TRAP FOR SIMPLE SW RECEIVERS



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Fig. 32-10

## SHORTWAVE INTERFERENCE TRAP

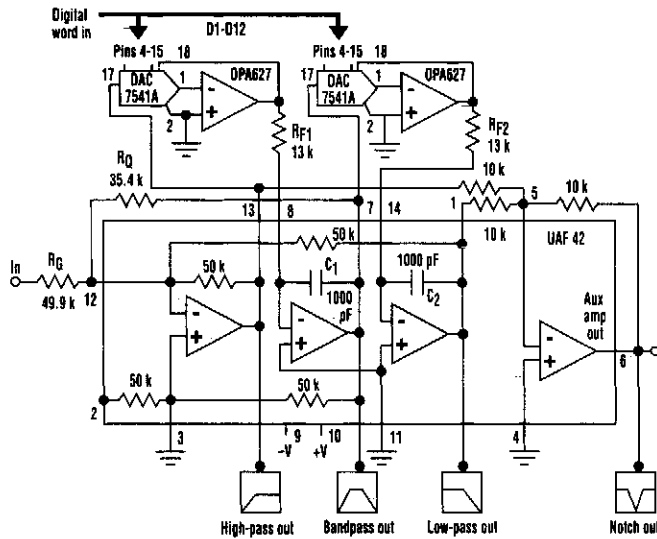


McGRAW-HILL

Fig. 32-11

Build this interference trap to help block strong shortwave, broadcast, and FM stations from coming in on the shortwave bands.

## PROGRAMMABLE ANALOG FILTER

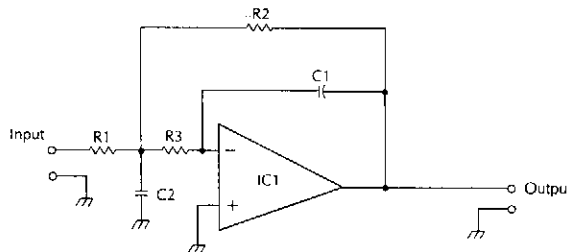


**Fig. 32-12**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

The circuit in the figure shows how an analog, digitally programmable filter can be built using a UAF42. This monolithic, state-variable active filter chip provides a two-pole filter building block with low sensitivity to external component variations. It eliminates aliasing errors and clock feed through noise common to switched-capacitor filters. Low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, and notch (band-reject) outputs are available.

## ACTIVE LOW-PASS FILTER



**Fig. 32-13**

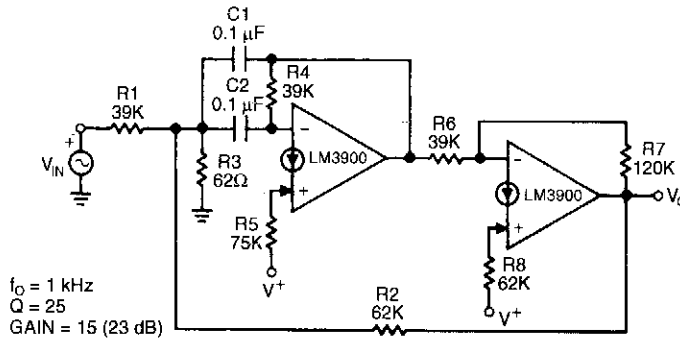
**McGRAW-HILL**

In this circuit,  $R_1 = 2$   
 $R_2 = R_4$   
 $R_3 = 2R_1$   
 $C_1 = C_2$   

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

This circuit has a rolloff of 6 dB/Octave.

## TWO OP-AMP BANDPASS FILTER

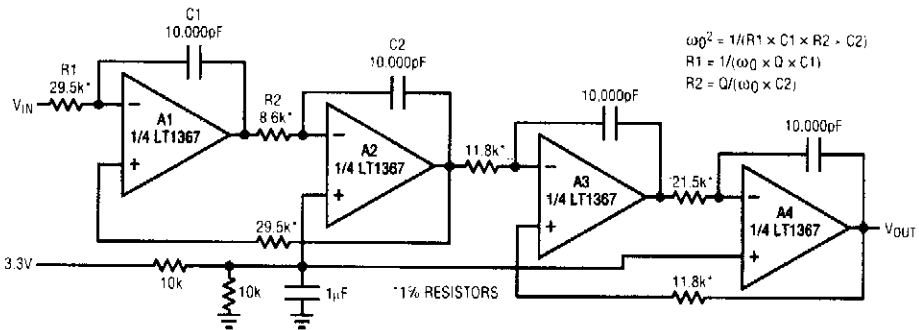


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-14

This circuit uses only two capacitors. The amplifier on the right supplies a controlled amount of positive feedback for improved response characteristics. Resistors R5 and R8 are used to bias the outvoltage of the amplifiers at  $V+/2$ .

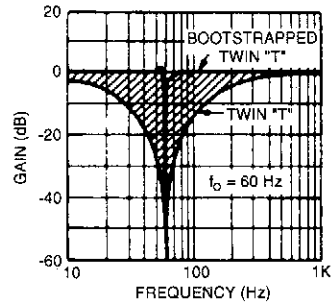
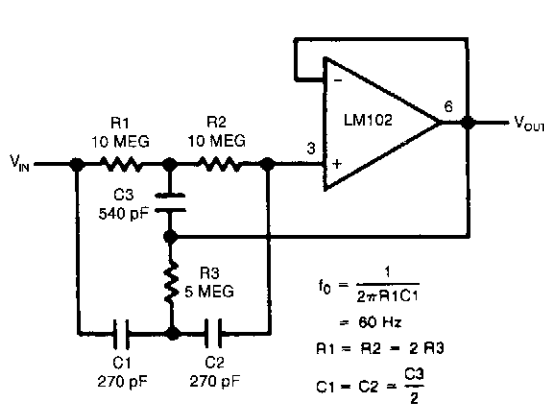
## SINGLE 3.3-V SUPPLY 4-POLE STATE VARIABLE FILTER



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 32-15

## HIGH-Q NOTCH FILTER



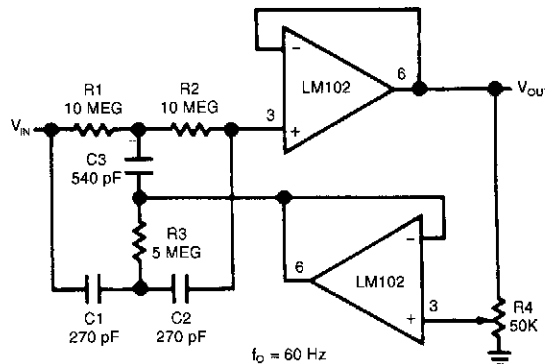
Response of High and Low Q Notch Filter

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-16

This shows a twin "T" network connected to an LM102 to form a high  $Q$ , 60-Hz notch filter. The junction of  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ , which is normally connected to ground, is bootstrapped to the output of the follower. Because the output of the follower is a very low impedance, neither the depth nor the frequency of the notch change; however, the  $Q$  is raised in proportion to the amount of signal fed back to  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ .

## ADJUSTABLE-Q NOTCH FILTER

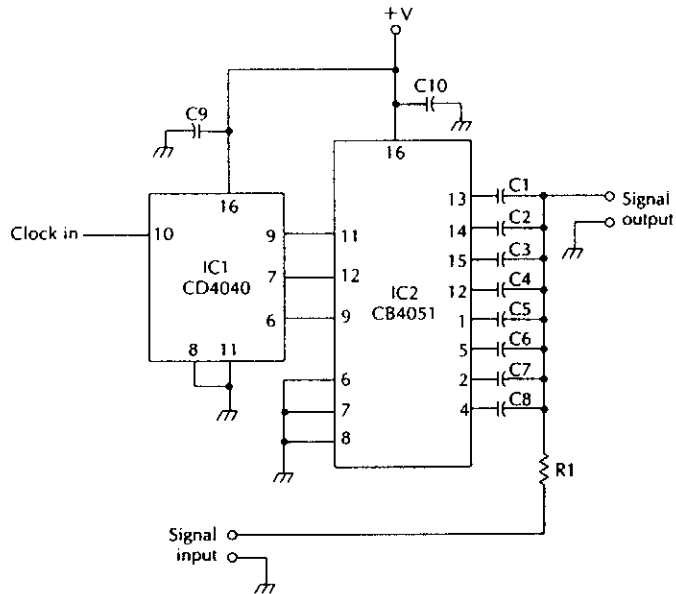


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-17

This figure shows a circuit where the  $Q$  can be varied from 0.3 to 50. A fraction of the output is fed back to  $R_3$  and  $C_3$  by a second voltage follower, and the notch  $Q$  is dependent on the amount of signal fed back. A second follower is necessary to drive the twin "T" from a low-resistance source so that the notch frequency and depth will not change with the potentiometer setting.

## DIGITAL COMB FILTER



This circuit uses an eight-step switching sequence, so  $n=8$ . This makes the center frequency equal to:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_c &= \frac{1}{(2nRC)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2 \times 8)RC} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16RC}
 \end{aligned}$$

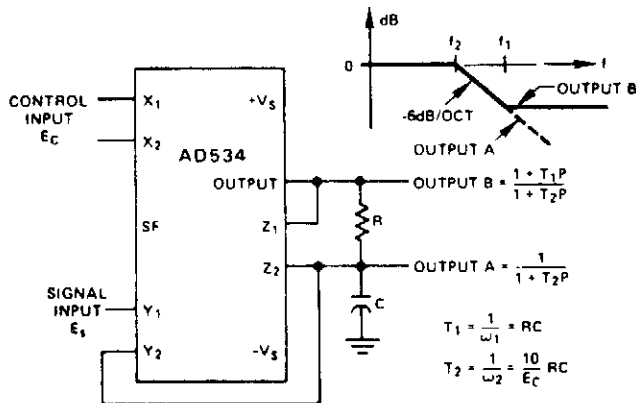
Using the component values suggested in the parts list, the circuit has a main center frequency of:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_c &= \frac{1}{(16 \times 1000 \times 0.00000001)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{0.00016} \\
 &= 6250 \text{ Hz}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Suggested parts list for the digital comb filter

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| IC1     | CD4040 BCD-ripple counter                                       |
| IC2     | CD4051 BCD-to-decimal decoder<br>(SP8T rotary bilateral switch) |
| C1-C8   | 0.01 $\mu$ F close tolerance capacitor                          |
| C9, C10 | 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor   |
| R1      | 1K $\frac{1}{4}$ W 5% resistor                                  |

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED LOW-PASS FILTER

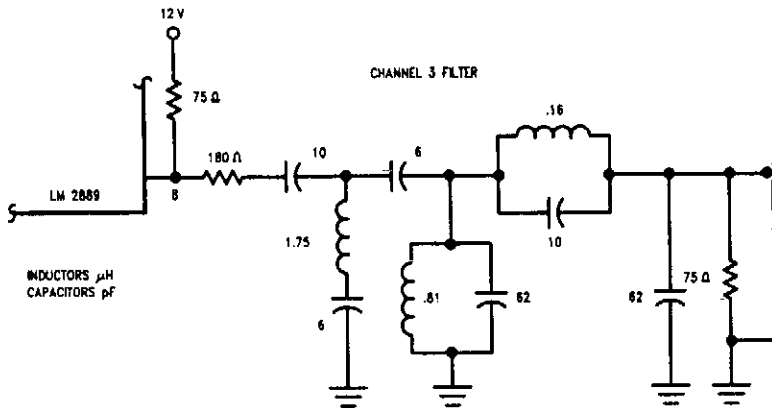


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 32-19

The voltage at Output A, which should be unloaded by a follower, responds as though  $E_s$  were directed to the RC filter, but the filter's break frequency were proportional to  $E_c$  [i.e.,  $= E_c / (20\pi RC)$ ]. The frequency response has a break at  $f_2$  and the 6-dB/octave rolloff. The voltage at Output B has the same response, up to  $f_1$  ( $f_1 = 1/(2\pi RC)$ ), then levels off at a constant attenuation of  $f_2/f_1 = E_c/10$ . For example, if  $R = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C = 0.002 \text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , Output A has a pole at 100 Hz to 10 kHz and can be loaded. The circuit can be converted to high-pass by interchanging C and R.

## VSB FILTER FOR LM2889



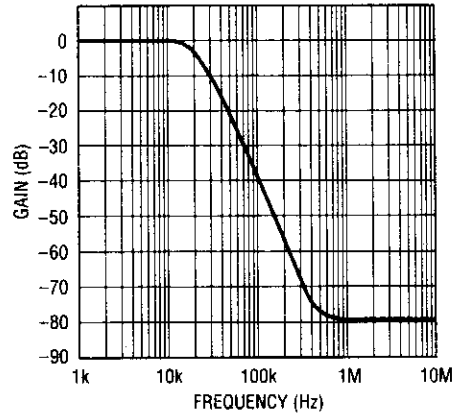
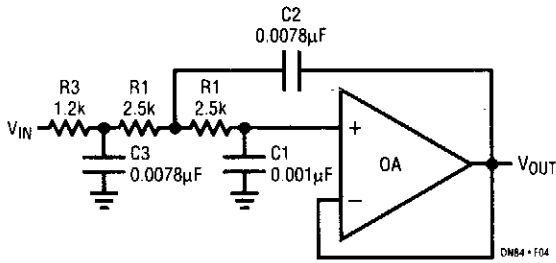
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-20

This filter is for CH3, in order to get a vestigial sideband TV signal. It is designed for 75- $\Omega$  impedance levels.



## 20-kHz BUTTERWORTH ACTIVE FILTER



Filter Frequency Response

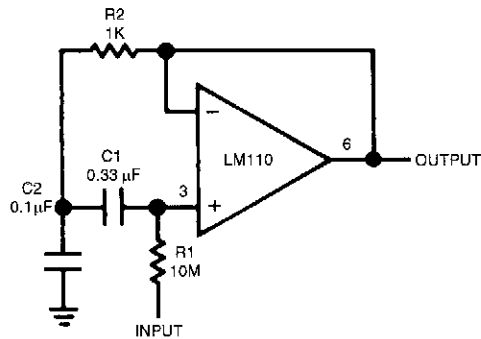
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LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 32-21

This filter will be useful for anti-aliasing or band limiting in an audio system. The op amp is a Linear Technology, LT1124, LT1355, or LT1169.

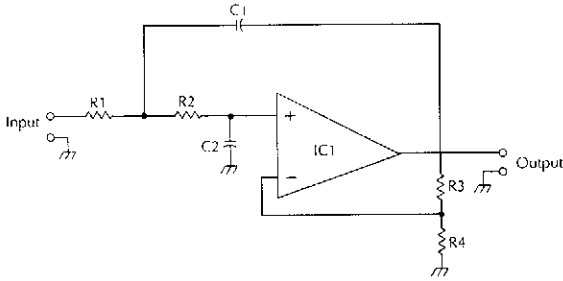
## BANDPASS FILTER



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 32-22

### SALLEN-KEY LOW-PASS FILTER



R3 and R4 set the circuit gain

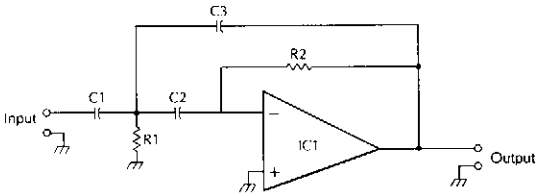
$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}}$$

usually  $C_1 = C_2, R_1 = R_2, R_3 = 0.586 R_4$

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Fig. 32-23

### ACTIVE HIGH-PASS FILTER



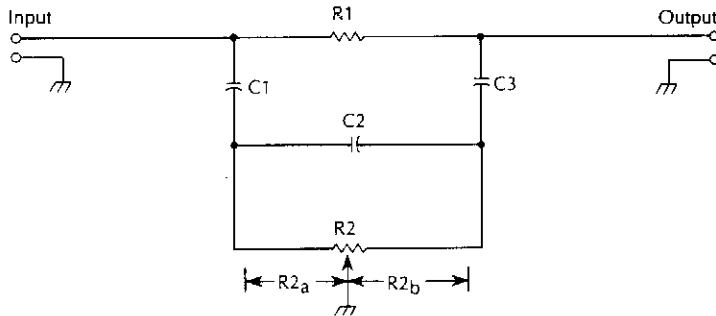
In this circuit,

$$f_{CO} = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

McGRAW-HILL

Fig. 32-24

### RC NOTCH FILTER



$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3$$

$$R_1 = 6R_2$$

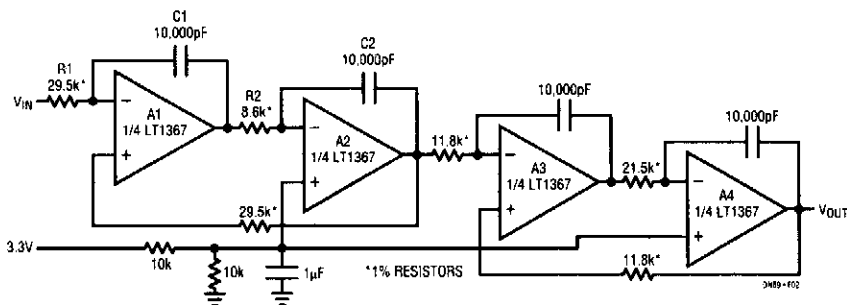
$$R_2 = R_{2a} + R_{2b}$$

$$\text{Reject frequency (notch), } F_c = \frac{1}{2\pi C \sqrt{3R_{2a} R_{2b}}}$$

McGRAW-HILL

Fig. 32-25

## 1-kHz 4TH-ORDER BUTTERWORTH FILTER



**Fig. 32-26**

### LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

The filter is a simplified state variable architecture consisting of two cascaded 2nd-order sections. Each section uses the 360° phase shift around the two op-amp loop to create a negative summing junction at A1's positive input. The circuit has low sensitivities for center frequency and  $Q$ , which are set with the following equations:

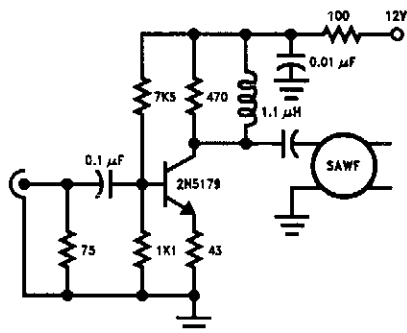
$$\omega_0^2 = \frac{1}{(R_1 \times C_1 \times R_2 \times C_2)}$$

where,

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{(\omega_0 \times Q \times C_1)} \text{ and } R_2 = \frac{Q}{(\omega_0 \times C_2)}$$

The dc bias applied to A2 and A4, half supply, is not needed when split supplies are available. The circuit swings rail-to-rail in the passband making it an excellent anti-aliasing filter for A/Ds. The amplitude response is flat to 1 kHz then rolls off at 80 dB/decade.

### SAW-FILTER IMPEDANCE-MATCHING PREAMPLIFIER

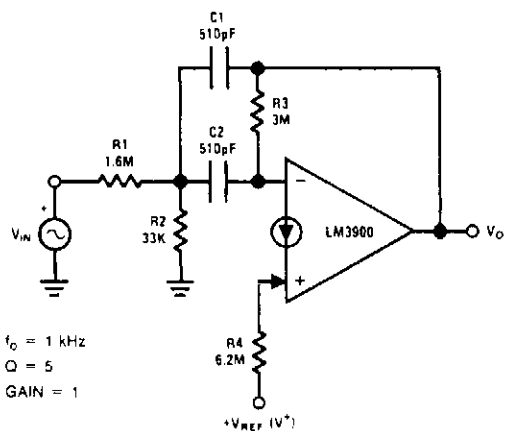


This circuit matches a saw filter to an IF amplifier.

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 32-27**

### ONE OP-AMP BANDPASS FILTER



$f_0 = 1 \text{ kHz}$   
 $Q = 5$   
 GAIN = 1

NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 32-28**

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## Flasher Circuits and Blinker

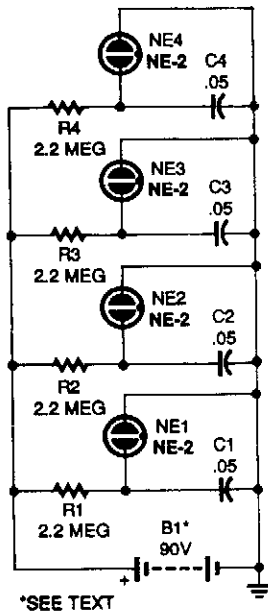
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Random LED Strobe
- Flashing Neon Christmas Lights
- Flashing Christmas LED Display
- Dual Flasher Add-On for 555 Circuits
- Variable-Frequency High-Power LED Flasher
- LED Pulser
- LED Pulser with Audible Output
- Simple Lamp Pulser
- LED Flasher



## FLASHING NEON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

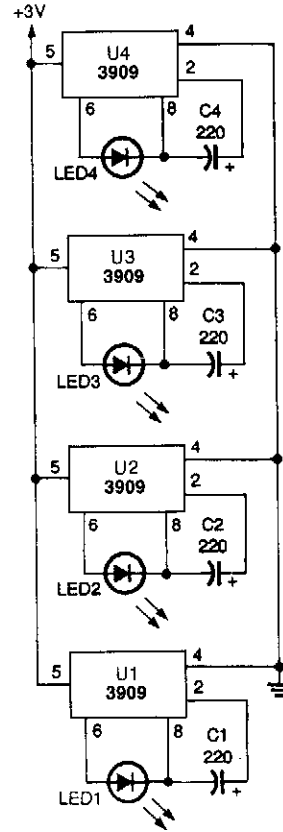


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-2

This flashing set of neon Christmas lights will make an attractive decoration for any time of year. B1 is made up of ten 9-V transistor radio batteries in series. The battery life can be measured in months.

## FLASHING CHRISTMAS LED DISPLAY

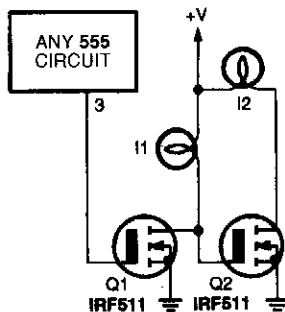


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-3

Using LEDs and 3909 ICs, you can make a flashing-light circuit that will run for months on two AA batteries.

## DUAL FLASHER ADD-ON FOR 555 CIRCUITS

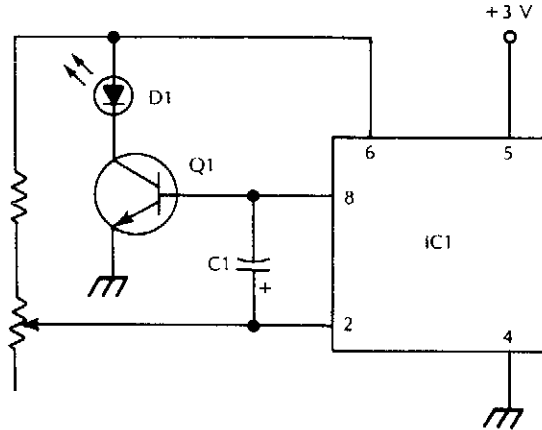


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-4

A pair of hex FETs drive two incandescent lamps in an alternating flasher circuit. The lamps can be 12-V automotive types, etc.

## VARIABLE-FREQUENCY HIGH-POWER LED FLASHER

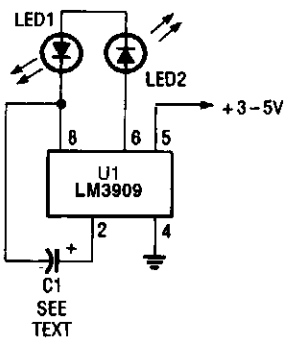


- IC1 LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator IC  
 Q1 NPN transistor (2N3904, Radio Shack RS2009 or similar)  
 D1 LED  
 C1 100  $\mu$ F 5 V electrolytic capacitor  
 R1 470  $\Omega$  1/4 W 5% resistor  
 R2 50 k $\Omega$  potentiometer

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Fig. 33-5

### LED PULSER

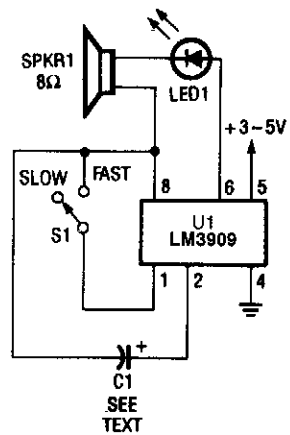


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-6

In this circuit, the LM3909 is used to drive a pair of series-connected LEDs.

### LED PULSER WITH AUDIBLE OUTPUT

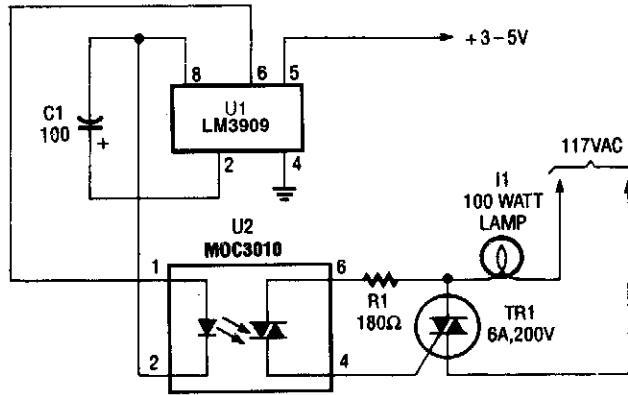


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-7

The LM3909 can also be used to drive both an LED and a speaker. In this circuit, each time that LED1 blinks, SPKR1 (an 8- $\Omega$  speaker) emits a sharp click sound.

### SIMPLE LAMP PULSER

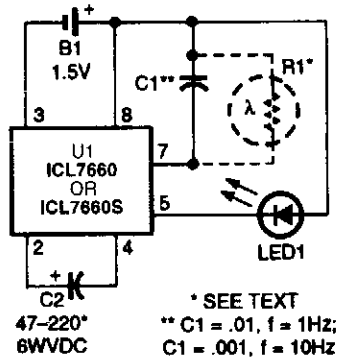


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-8

Here, the LM3909 (configured as a timing oscillator) is used to control a 117-Vac lamp through an MOC3010 optoisolator/coupler.

### LED FLASHER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 33-9

This circuit provides a low-cost way to flash an LED from a single 1.5-V source. Based on the ICL7660 dc-to-dc voltage converter, the circuit makes use of an external capacitance (C1) on the oscillator rate-control pin to decrease the charge/dump time to the desired flash rate. A dc resistance (R1) on the same pin can also be used to disable the oscillator and extend the power-cell's life. That optional dc resistance (in the form of a photoconductive cell) will shut off the oscillator in daylight.



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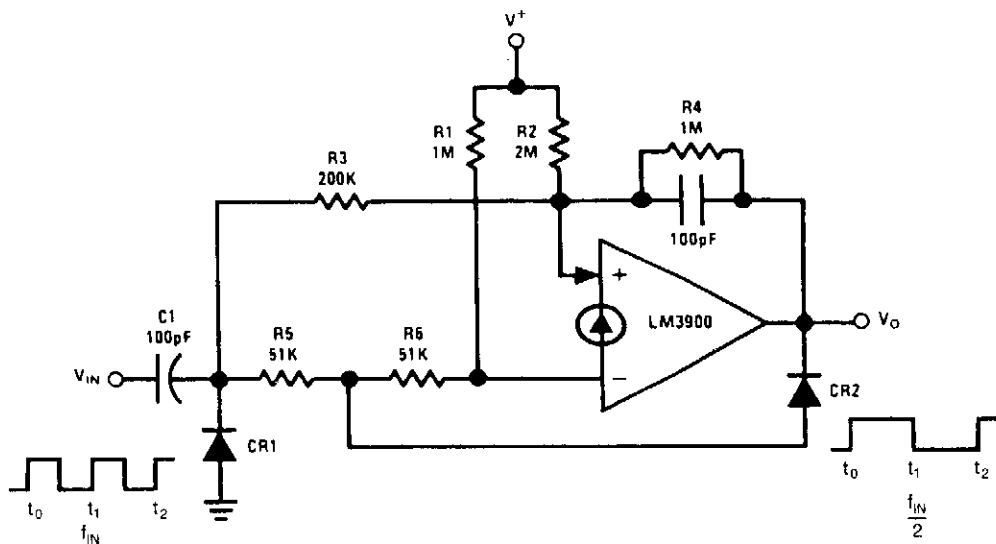
## Flip-Flop Circuits

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Trigger Flip Flop  
Two-Amplifier Flip Flop

## TRIGGER FLIP FLOP

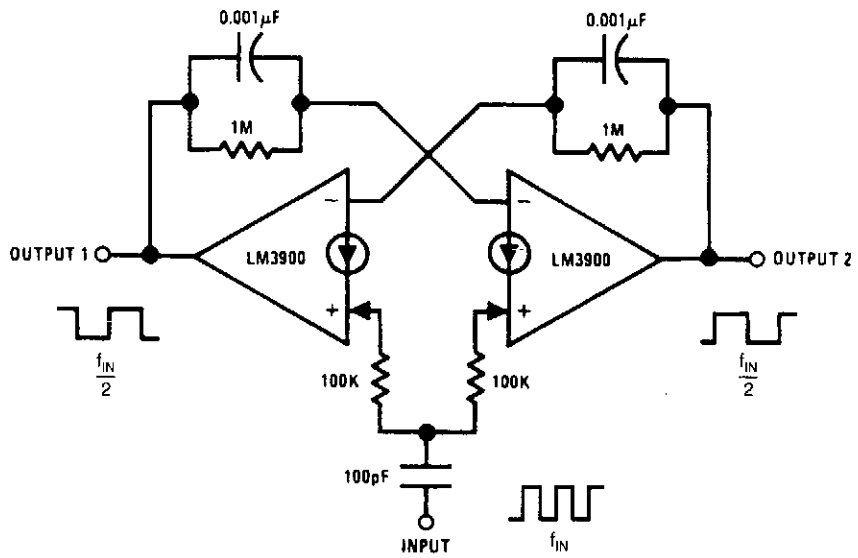


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 34-1

Trigger flip flops are useful to divide an input frequency as each input pulse will cause the output of a trigger flip flop to change state. Due to the absence of a clocking signal input, this is for an asynchronous logic application. A circuit that uses only one amplifier is shown. Steering of the differentiated positive input trigger is provided by diode  $CR2$ . For a low-output voltage state,  $CR2$  shunts the trigger away from the (-) input and resistor  $R3$  couples this positive input trigger to the (+) input terminal. This causes the output to switch high. The high-voltage output state now keeps  $CR2$  off and the smaller value of  $(R_5 + R_6)$  compared with  $R3$  causes a larger positive input trigger to be coupled to the (-) input, which causes the output to switch to the low-voltage state.

## TWO-AMPLIFIER FLIP FLOP



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 34-2

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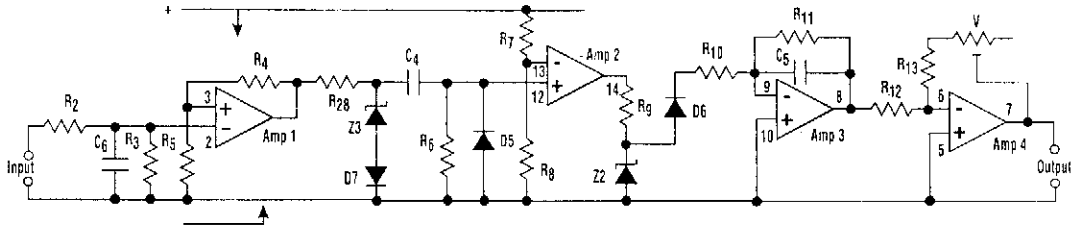
## Frequency-to-Voltage Converter Circuits

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Industrial Frequency-to-Voltage Converter  
Frequency-to-Voltage Converter

## INDUSTRIAL FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 35-1

Control and process equipment often require the indication of frequency (speed or rate) of linear or rotary mechanical movement. Motion can be detected using various pulse-generating pickups and proximity detectors that output ac or dc pulsed signals.

This industrial converter can serve in a wide variety of applications. The circuit operates around a quad-FET input op amp and is designed to be self-contained or run from a bipolar supply. The input signal of dc pulses or ac waveforms is applied to R2.

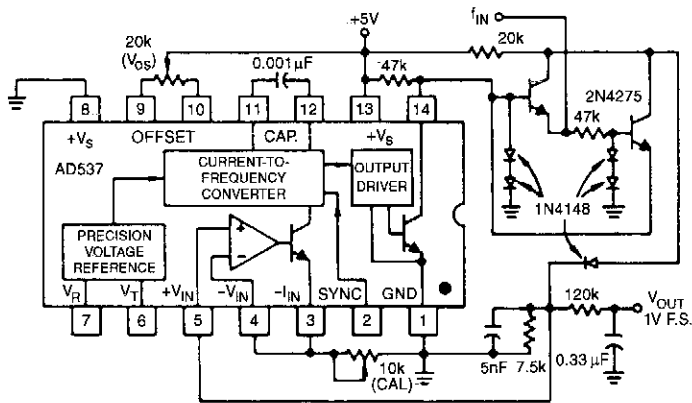
Amplifier 1, which acts as a Schmitt trigger, supplies a squarewave output of fixed amplitude to C4. Resistor R3 and capacitor C6 filter out input noise, and R4 and R5 determine the switching levels, and Zener diode Z3 sets the amplitude.

Amplifier 2 gives a fixed-duration pulse on the positive transition of C4, with a time constant set by C4 and R6 and the switching level set by R7 and R8. Resistor R9 and Zener diode Z2 fix the amplitude of the pulses and amplifier 3 integrates them via R10 and C5. Diode D6 blocks negative integration and R11 discharges C5 with a long-time constant.

Hence, the dc output of amplifier 3 is proportional to the frequency applied to the input. Amplifier 4 inverts and buffers the negative output of amplifier 3 and provides amplitude adjustment voltage.

The complete circuit is linear and sufficiently accurate providing that C4 is chosen to give a pulse duration less than the maximum input frequency and that  $R11 > R10$ .

## FREQUENCY-TO-VOLTAGE CONVERTER



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**Fig. 35-2**

The AD537 can also be used to perform frequency-to-voltage conversion. The transistor pair shown here operates as an exclusive-or gate to perform the phase comparison. It locks onto the input frequency within two cycles. The configuration requires only 3 mA for frequencies up to 10 kHz. In most situations, an output buffer will be required to unload the filter. Use 0- to 5-V pulses or square waves with 40- $\mu$ s minimum pulsewidth.

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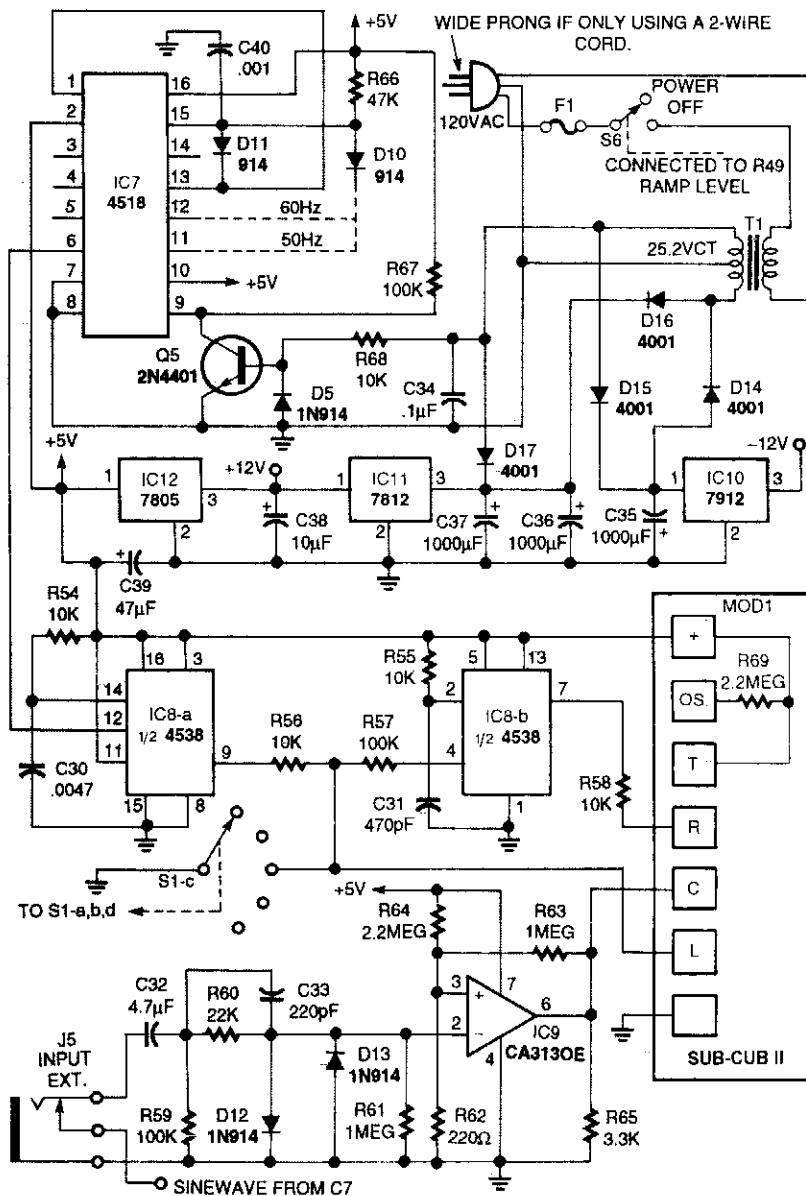
## Function Generator Circuits

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Function Generator  
Sweep/Function Generator  
Simple Function Generator  
Accurate, Stable Function Generator  
Wide-Range Function Generator

## FUNCTION GENERATOR



**THE COUNTER MODULE (MOD1)** has a 0.35-inch high, six-digit liquid crystal display. Pulses at 1-second intervals are derived from the AC power line which has a typical accuracy of 99.99 %.

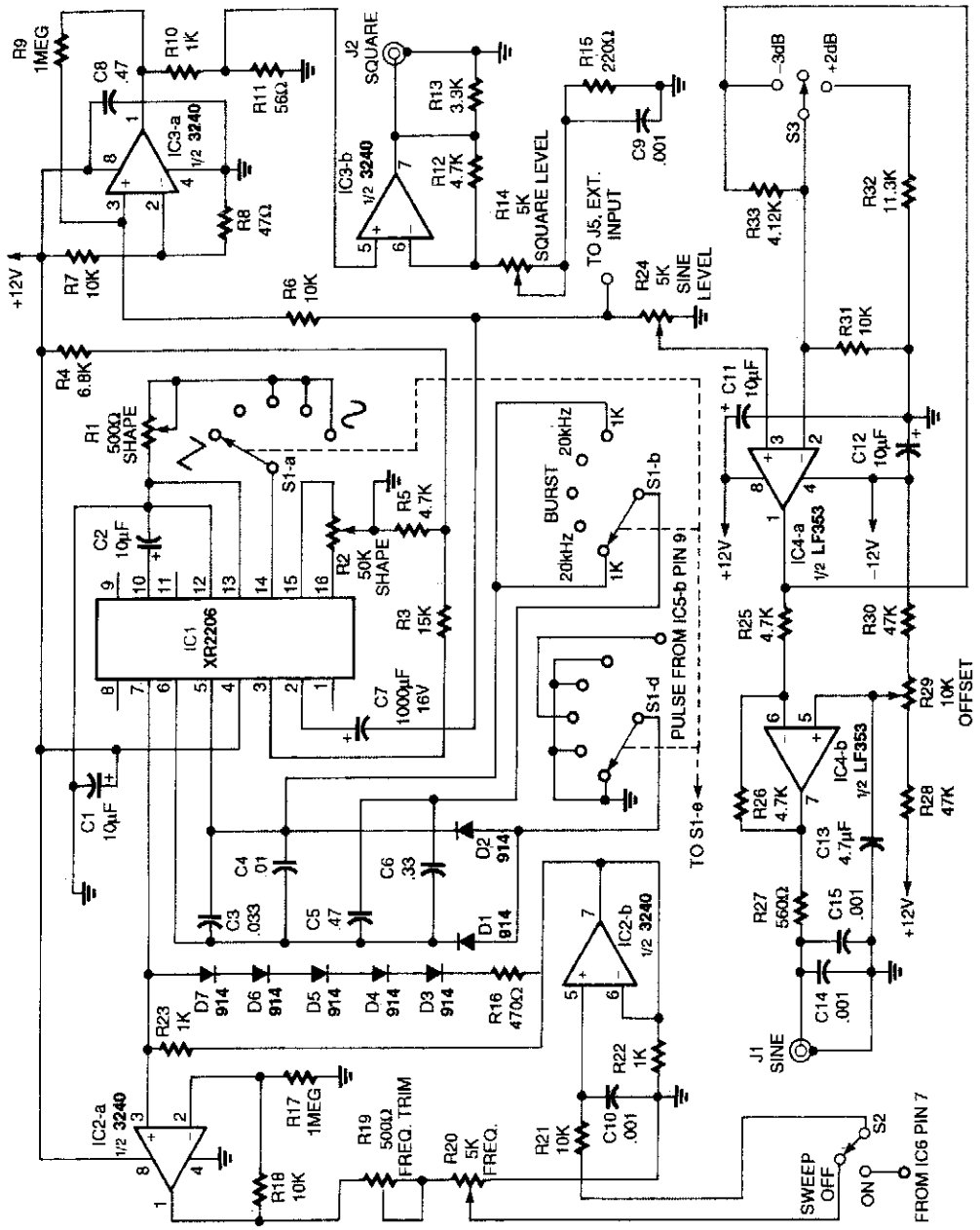
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**Fig. 36-1**

These three circuits make up an audio frequency function generator and can be individually used for custom applications.

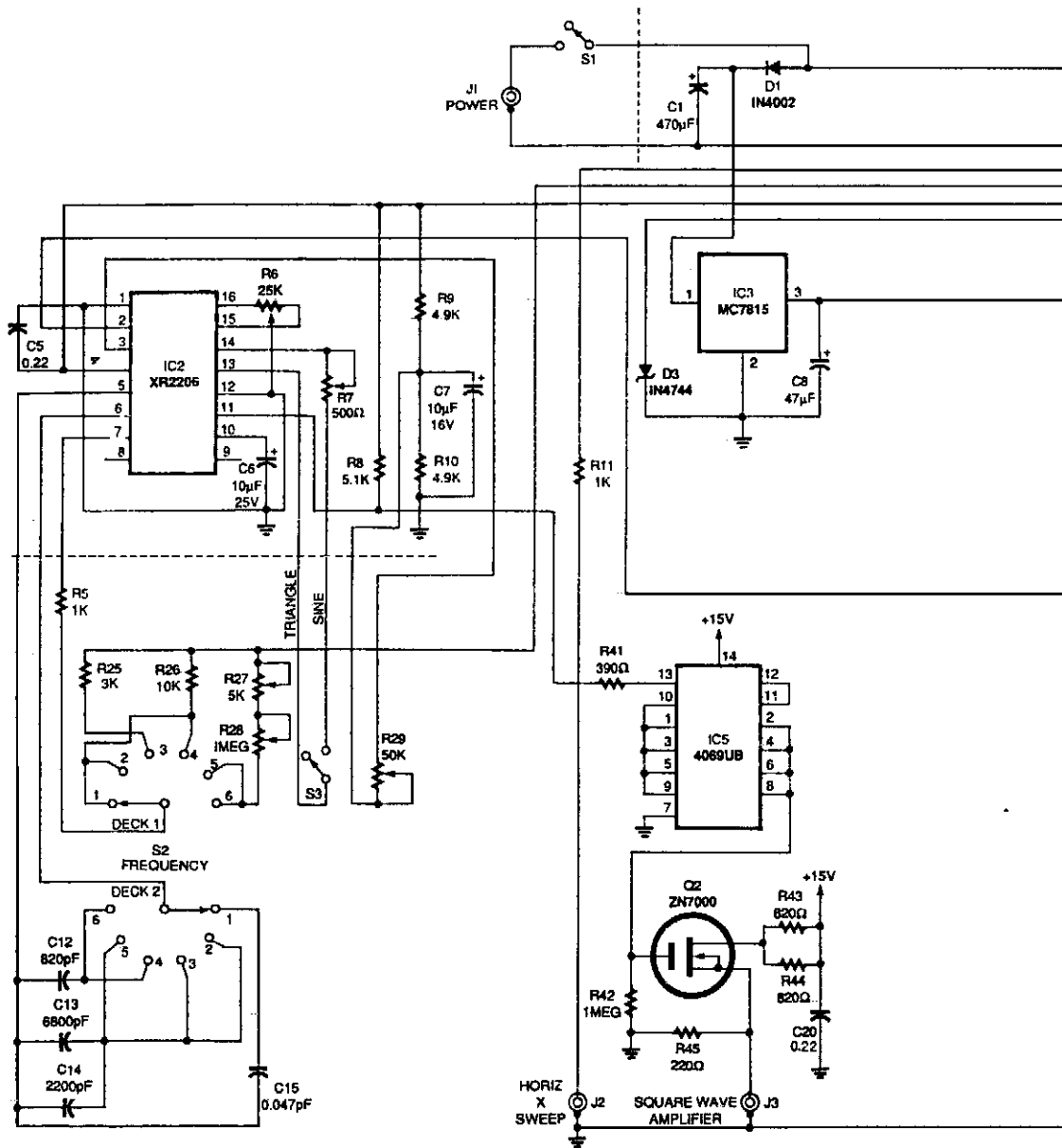






AN XR 2206 FUNCTION-GENERATOR CHIP provides a triangle output at pin 2 when S1-a is open.

# SWEEP/FUNCTION GENERATOR



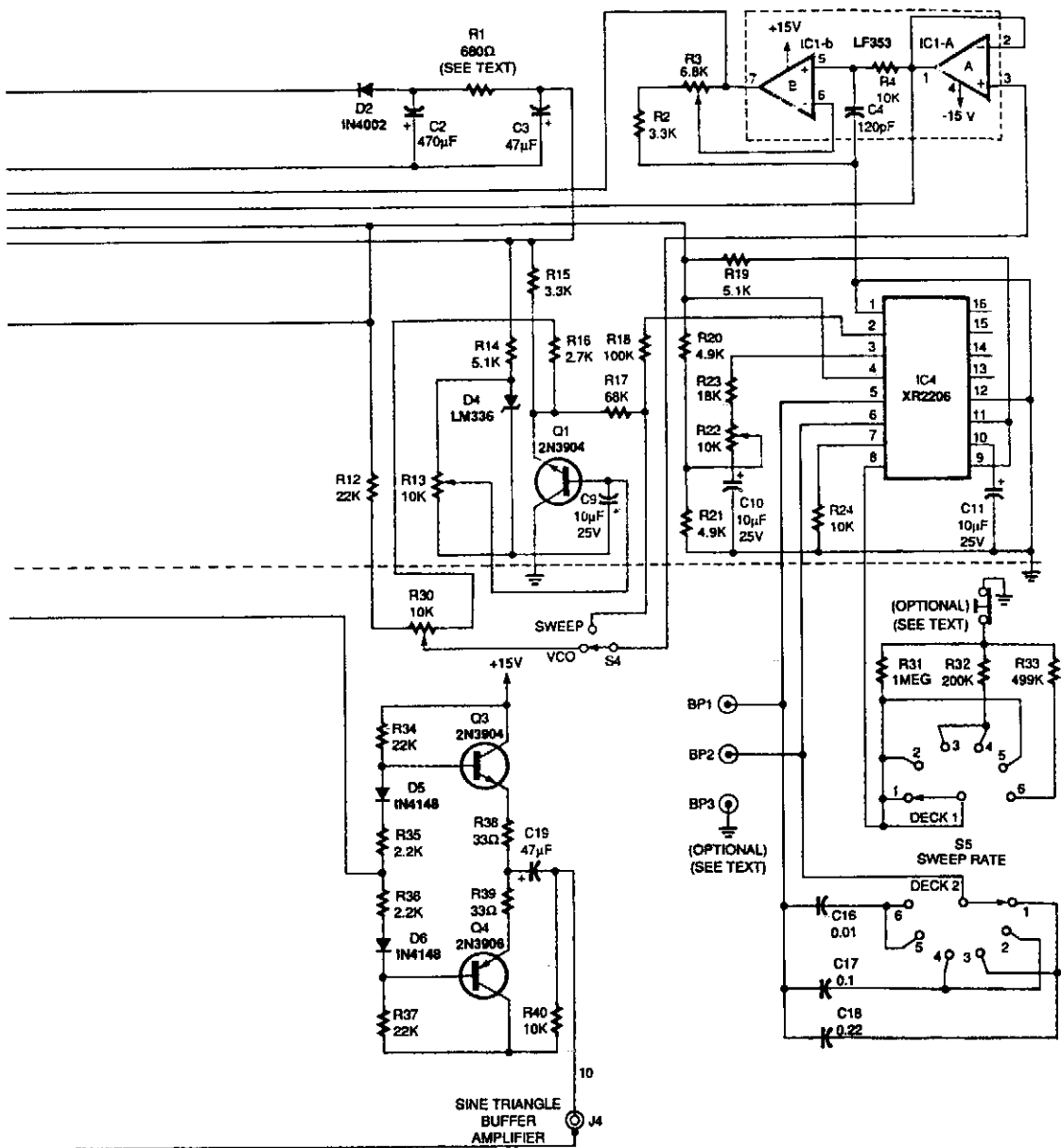


Fig. 36-2

## SWEEP/FUNCTION GENERATOR (Cont.)

**TABLE 1  
FUNCTION GENERATOR CHARACTERISTICS**

| Waveform output   | Maximum P-to-P | Frequency     | Conditions   |
|---|----------------|---------------|--|
| Sine (1)  | 5V             | 10 Hz-100 kHz | 1 V@800 kHz  |
| Triangle (1)  | 8 V            | 10 Hz- 50 kHz | 1 V>500 kHz  |
| Square (2)  | 5 V            |               | Positive output DC-coupled, ground ref: rise/fall >50 ns |
| Ramp (3)  |                |               | Descending, 6 rates                                      |
| (1) Output level variable from min. to max.<br>(2) Output level not adjustable.<br>(3) X and Y amplitude internally adjustable. |                |               |  |

**TABLE 2  
SWEEP RANGES OF THE FUNCTION GENERATOR**

| Switch  | Condition              | Frequency range   |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1   | Preset                 | 20Hz to >2kHz     |
| 2   | Preset                 | <400Hz to >10kHz  |
| 3   | Preset                 | <1kHz to >25kHz   |
| 4   | Preset                 | 5kHz to >100kHz   |
| 5*  | Resistance tuned       | 2kHz to 100kHz    |
|   | Resistance & VCO tuned | <10Hz to >100kHz  |
| 6*  | Resistance tuned       | <40kHz to >800kHz |
|   | Resistance & VCO tuned | <100Hz to >800kHz |
| * Ranges show for positions 5 and 6 represent the total tuning range of the function generator and do not imply one continuous sweep. |                        |                   |

Both IC2 and IC4 are Exar XR2206 monolithic function generators; IC4 functions as a ramp generator, and IC2 functions as a generator of sine, triangular, and square waveforms. Dual operational amplifier IC1 produces a scaled, level-shifted ramp output that is capable of deflecting an oscilloscope's horizontal sweep.

Any frequency of interest along the horizontal axis of an oscilloscope that is coupled to this function generator can be measured with an external frequency counter by manually tuning the function generator's VCO instead of sweeping it. The performance characteristics of the sweep/function generator are summarized in the Table.

The generator's sweep rate and frequency can be set by front-panel rotary six-position switches, Sweep Rate Switch S5 and Frequency Switch S2. The VCO control R30 manually tunes the VCO. Table 2 lists the sweep ranges of the function generator. Sweep ranges not covered in ranges 1 to 4 can be set up as required on positions 5 and 6. Selecting the VCO setting on the front panel toggle switch S4 permits tuning any fixed frequency within the total frequency range of the instrument with both frequency switch S2 and VCO control R30.

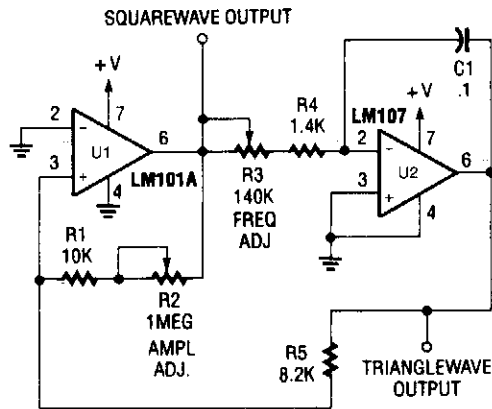
The sweep rate or duration of the sweep ramp is selected by the rotary six-position Sweep Rate Switch S5. Table 3 lists the sweep rate durations for each of the six positions. Longer periods should be used for lower frequency sweeps.

## SWEEP/FUNCTION GENERATOR (Cont.)

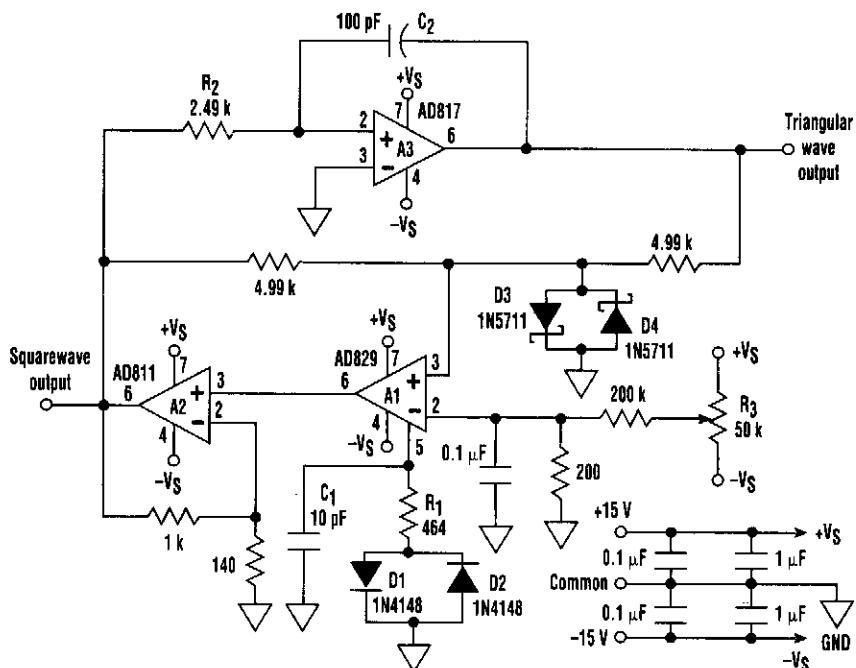
**TABLE 3**  
**SWEEP RATE OR DURATION**

| Sweep position | Period (milliseconds) |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| 1              | ~ 130                 |
| 2              | ~ 60                  |
| 3              | ~ 30                  |
| 4              | ~ 15                  |
| 5              | ~ 6                   |
| 6              | ~ 3                   |

## SIMPLE FUNCTION GENERATOR



## ACCURATE, STABLE FUNCTION GENERATOR



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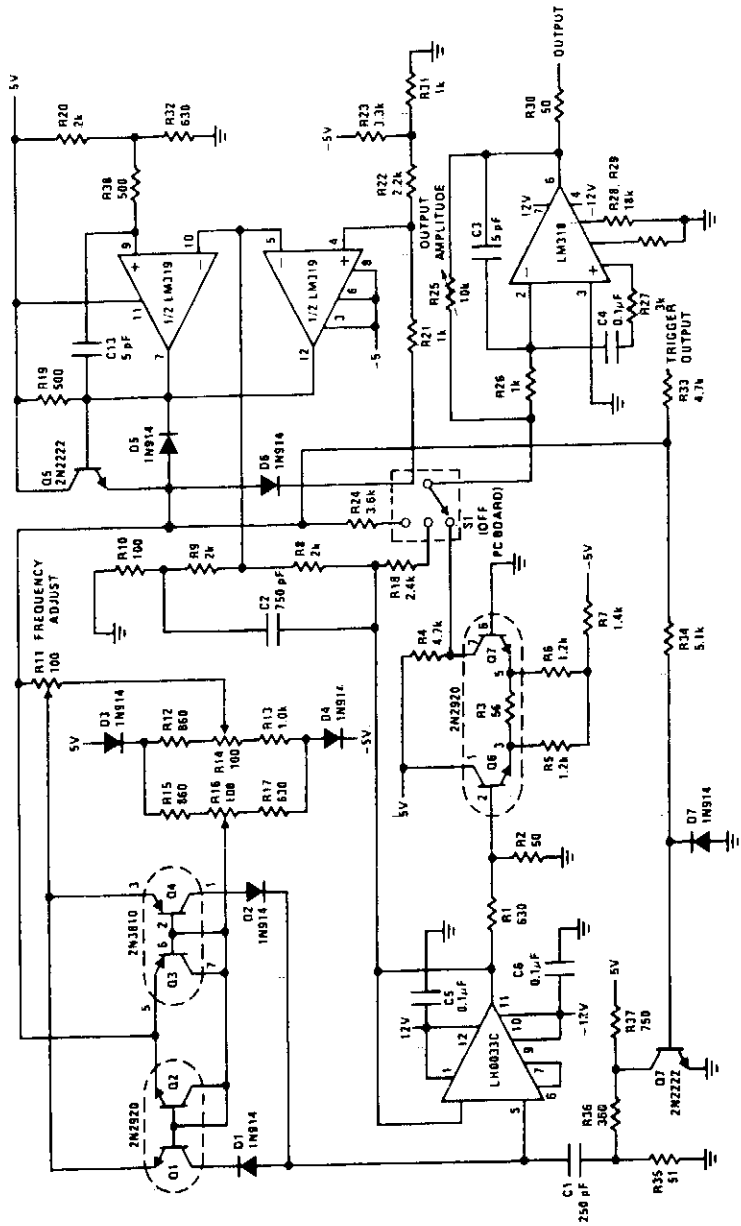
Fig. 36-4

Supply-limited oscillators usually are sensitive to temperature and power-supply changes, are never symmetrical, and don't operate at high frequencies because the amplifier's output is saturated when it reaches the supply lines.

The circuit shown, a function generator, can alleviate these problems. Its square-wave output boasts a rapid rise time, quick settling time, and an amplitude that's temperature insensitive. Also, its triangular output waveform features a perfectly constant rate of change throughout its range.

Amplifier A1 together with A2 generates a stable +10 V. This signal, which is integrated using A3, C2, and R2, makes a negative-going ramp. When the peak output of A3 equals -10 V, the output of A1 and A2 change state and the A3's output ramps up. When A3's output equals +10 V, the outputs of A1 and A2 change state again and new cycle starts.

## WIDE-RANGE FUNCTION GENERATOR



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**Fig. 36-5**

The sine, square, triangle function generator is exceptionally useful. Various IC circuits have been published for generating square and triangle waveforms in an attempt to duplicate the general-purpose function generator. However, these simple circuits are usually limited to about 10 kHz and have no sine-wave output. The function generator shown here provides all three waveforms and operates from below 10 Hz to 1 MHz with usable output to about 2 MHz.



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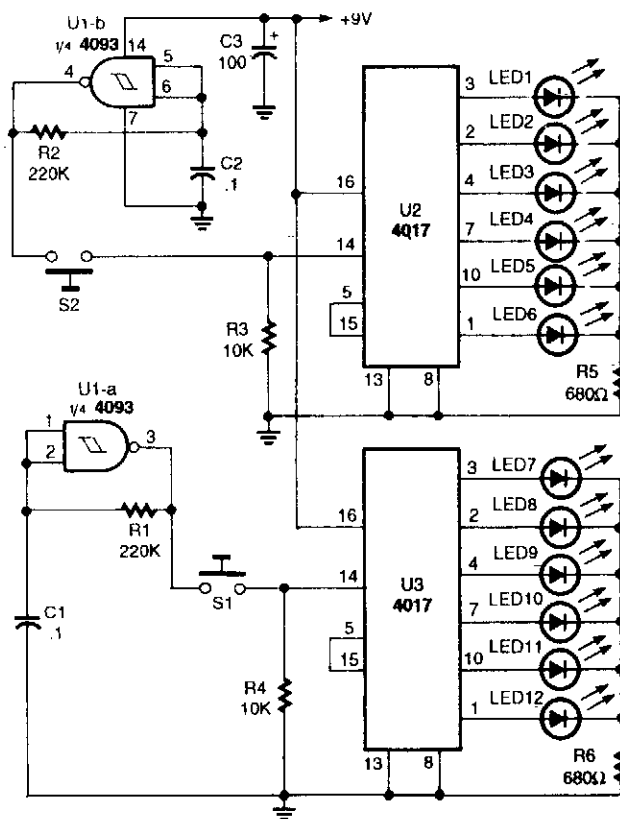
## Game Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Craps Game  
21 Game  
First-Response Monitor I  
Z-Dice Game  
Three-Input First-Response Monitor  
Electronic Coin Toss  
Electronic One-Arm Bandit  
Digital "First-to-Respond" Box  
First-Response Monitor II  
Analog First-Response Monitor  
Wheel of Fortune

## ELECTRONIC CRAPS GAME



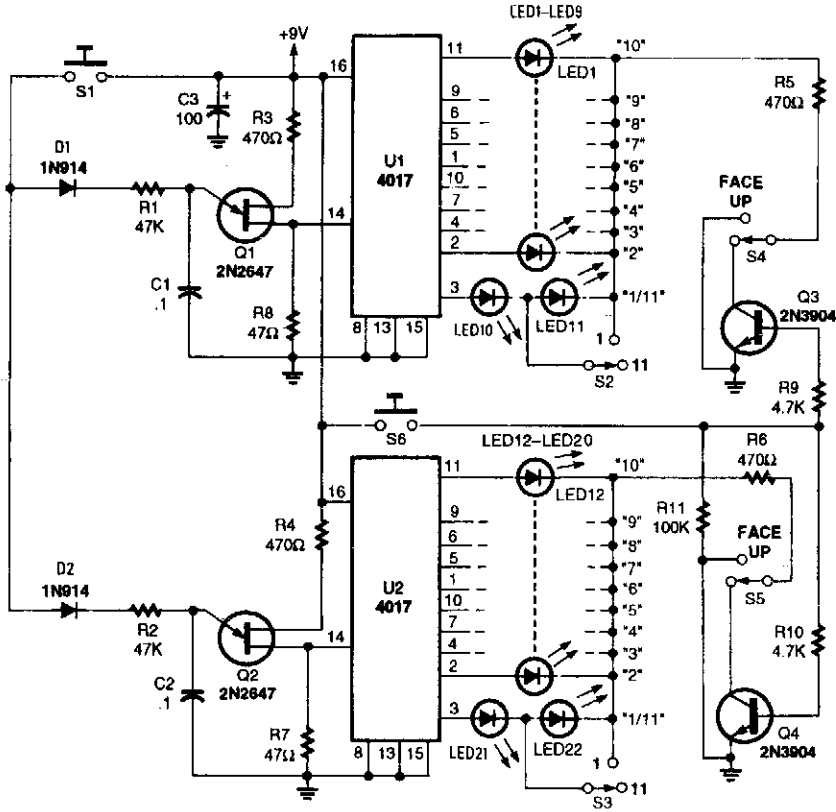
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*Fig. 37-1*

Two gates of a 4093 quad, 2-input NAND, Schmitt-trigger CMOS IC are connected in astable-oscillator circuits as clocks. The two 4017 ICs have six LEDs connected to its first six outputs. As the clock pulses enter pin 14 of the 4017s, the ICs count from one to six over and over as long as the clock pulses are present. When S1 and/or S2 are released, one of the LEDs in each circuit will remain on, indicating a number from one to six.

The circuit is set up so that you can roll the dice together by pressing S1 and S2 at the same time, or roll each die one at a time.

## 21 GAME



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**Fig. 37-2**

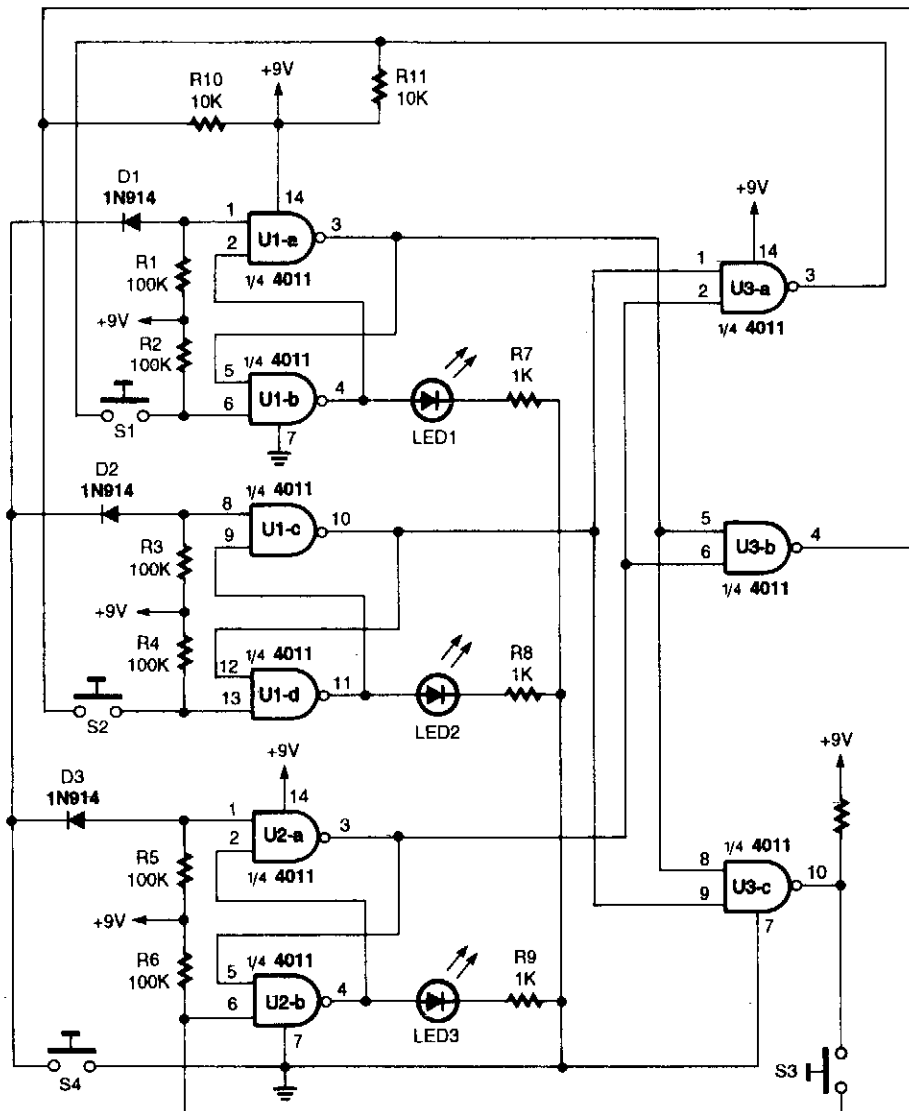
Two 2N2647 unijunction transistors serve as the clock generators for the two 4017 ICs. A single "deal" push-button switch, S1, operates both clock generators at the same time. Diodes D1 and D2 isolate the two clock circuits, allowing S1 to operate both.

The 4017 counter/readout circuits are identical in circuitry and operation. As long as clock pulses enter pin 14 of each 4017, the ICs count from 1 to 10 over and over until the clock pulses stop. When S1 is released, the clock pulses stop and one LED from each IC remains on to indicate a card with a number value of 1 (1 or 11) to 10.

The position of switches S2 and S3 determines whether the number 1 ("Ace") output of the 4017s count as an 11 or a 1. Both S2 and S3 can be switched in either position before or after the cards are played.

The cards can be played either face up or face down. When switches S4 and S5 are in the position shown in the figure, the cards are dealt face down. Transistors Q3 and Q4 are turned off in this position and no current can flow through the LEDs. Pressing S6 turns both transistors on, lighting the LEDs.

## FIRST-RESPONSE MONITOR I

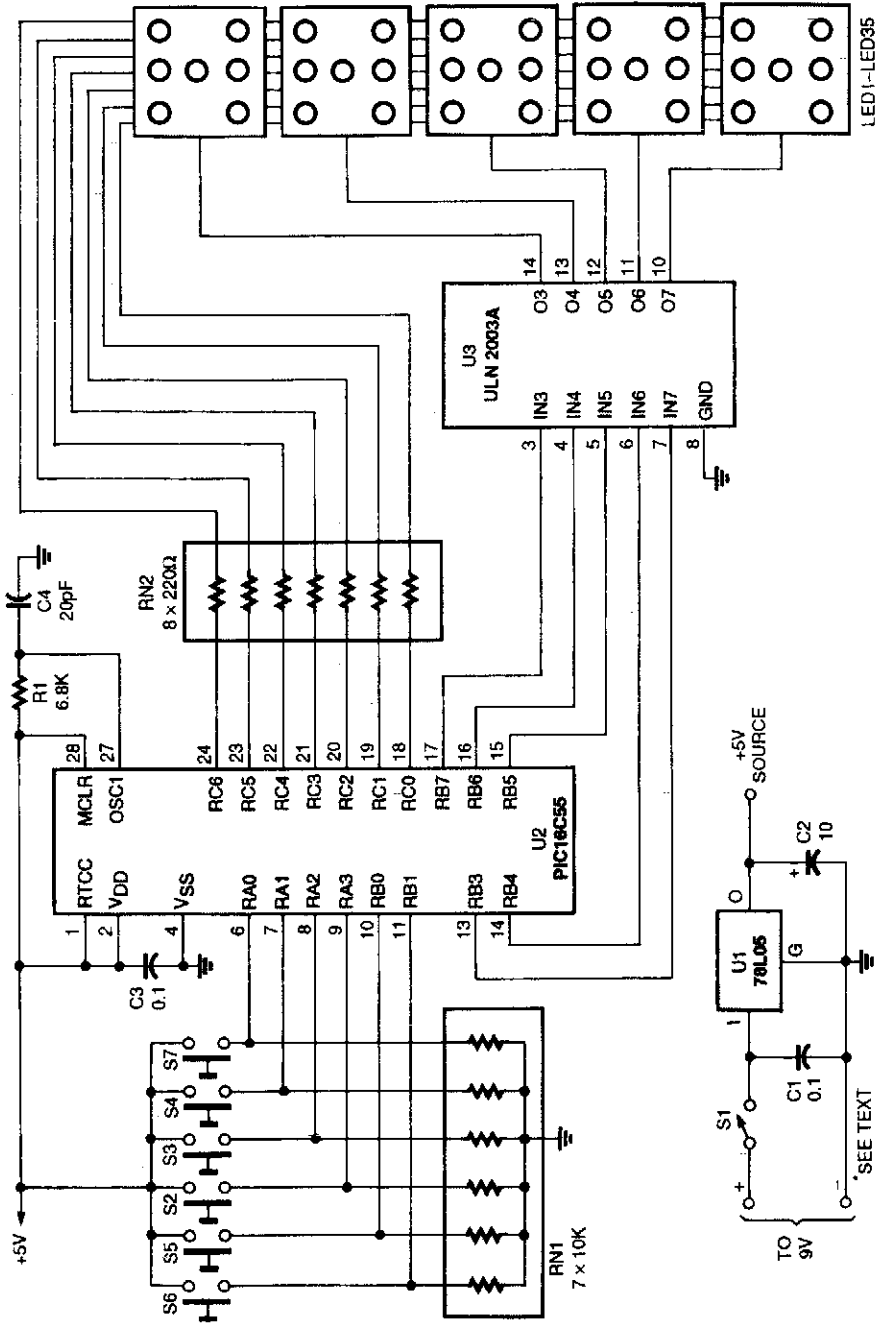


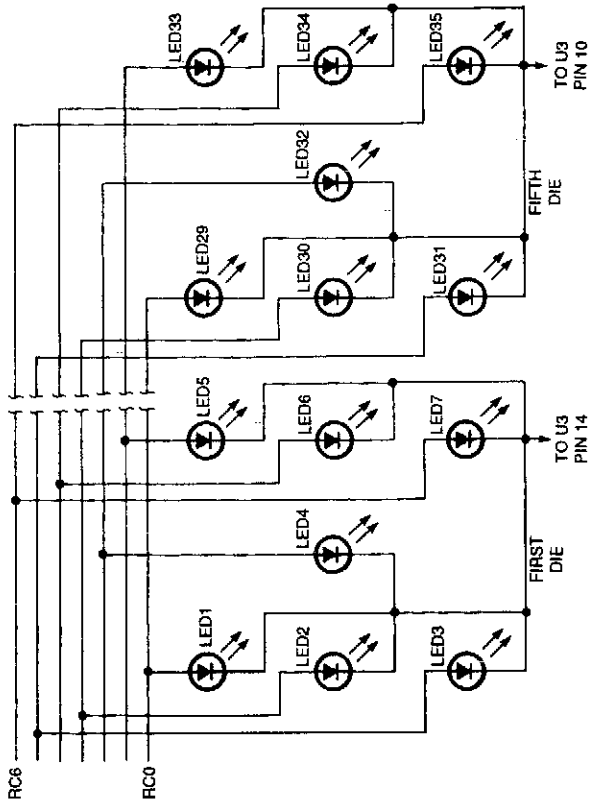
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*Fig. 37-3*

Three interlocked flip-flops enable the detection of the first input. S1, S2, and S3 are inputs. Analog switches controlled by logic gates, or other logic circuitry could be substituted for S1, S2, and S3.

# Z-DICE GAME





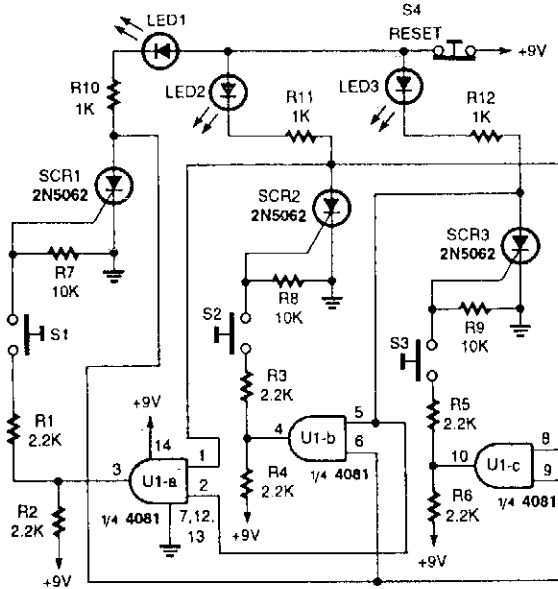
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**Fig. 37-4**

Using a microcontroller (U2) keeps the parts count and the cost of this 5-dice LED display relatively low. Z-dice uses five clusters of seven LEDs to represent the marks or "pips" on five dice. Buttons below each of the LED dice let the player mark a die to be rolled on the next throw. Marked dice show up as dimmed LEDs. Pressing the button to the right of the display rolls the marked dice. If the player changes his or her mind about rolling a particular die before pressing the roll button, he or she can unmark it by pressing its button a second time. If no dice are marked at the time the player presses the roll button, then all of the dice are marked to be rolled. A second press starts them rolling, animating the LEDs of the marked dice for a second or so before displaying the results of the roll. Z-Dice doesn't count rolls or keep score, so it's still up to the players to make sure that nobody cheats!

This diagram shows the wiring details of the dice display. For space and simplicity, only the first and last dice are shown. A programmed microcontroller is needed for this circuit. Refer to the original article for software.

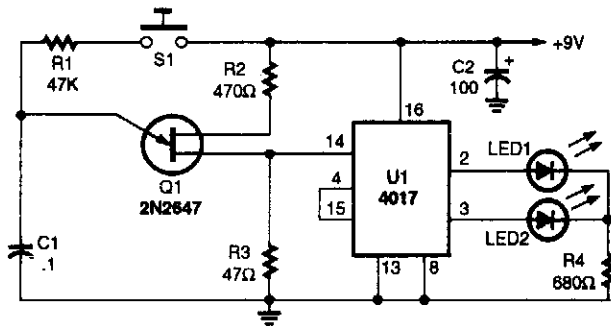
### THREE-INPUT FIRST-RESPONSE MONITOR



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Fig. 37-5

### ELECTRONIC COIN TOSS



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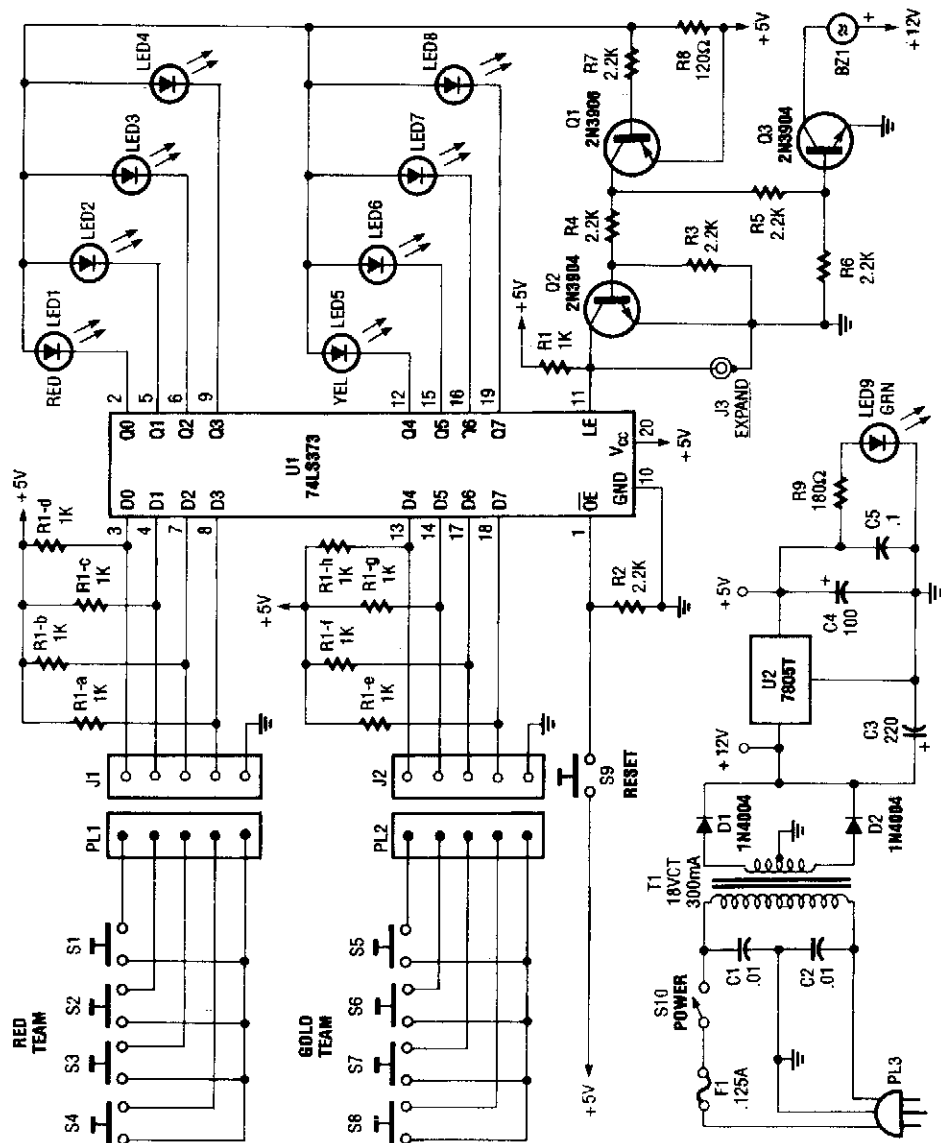
Fig. 37-6

Integrated circuit U1 is connected in a two-stage counter circuit that counts “one-two” over and over as long as clock pulses enter pin 14 of the 4017. When the clock pulses stop, one of the LEDs will remain on, indicating the last even or odd count. Designate one LED as “heads” and the other as “tails” and you have an electronic coin flipper.





DIGITAL "FIRST-TO-RESPOND" BOX

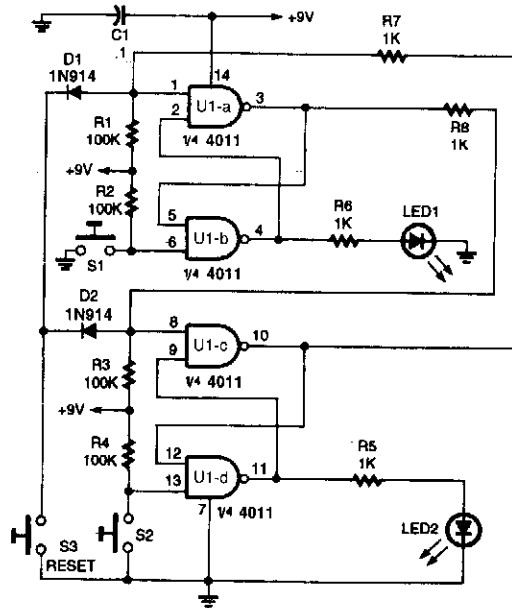


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Fig. 37-8

This device is useful for quizzes and games to determine first response. U1 is an octal D type latch IC, an 74LS973. When a button is pushed, this circuit lights the corresponding LED. Q1 conducts, sounding an alarm (BZ1) connected to driver Q3, and Q1 supplies bias to Q2, disabling the rest of the latches in U1.

### FIRST-RESPONSE MONITOR II

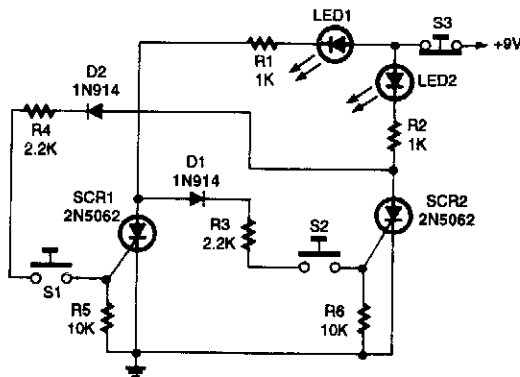


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Fig. 37-9

Two interlocking flip flops are used to detect the first of two inputs. S1 and S2 are input devices, but a logical-level signal can be substituted.

### ANALOG FIRST-RESPONSE MONITOR

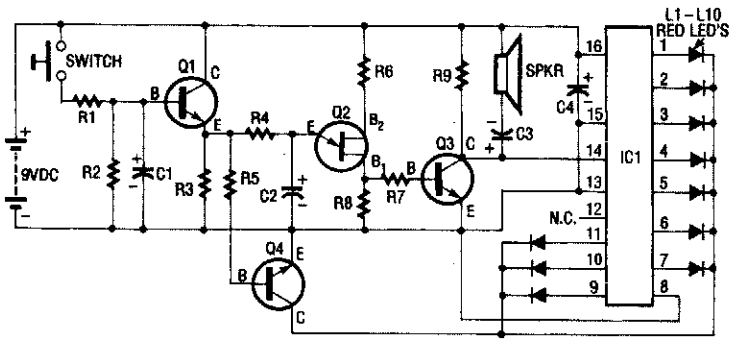


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Fig. 37-10

The analog first-response monitor is built around a pair of cross-coupled SCRs, each of which receives its gate trigger current from the anode of the other SCR.

## WHEEL OF FORTUNE



- C1,C3 ..... 10  $\mu$ F Capacitor
- C2 ..... 1  $\mu$ F Capacitor
- C4 ..... 47  $\mu$ F Capacitor
- IC1 ..... MC14017BCP
- L1-L10 ..... Jumbo Red LEDs
- Q1,Q3,Q4 .. 2N3904 Transistor
- Q2 ..... MU10UJT Transistor
- R1,R5 ..... 33K Resistor
- R2 ..... 2.2 Meg Resistor
- R3 ..... 82K Resistor
- R4 ..... 47K Resistor
- R6 ..... 2.2K Resistor
- R7 ..... 390 ohm Resistor
- R8 ..... 100 ohm Resistor
- R9 ..... 680 ohm Resistor
- S1 ..... Pushbutton Switch

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*Fig. 37-11*

The oscillation of Q2 is amplified by Q3 and fed to Johnson counter IC1. The output of IC1 drives the LEDs in sequence to give the impression of a spinning red ball.

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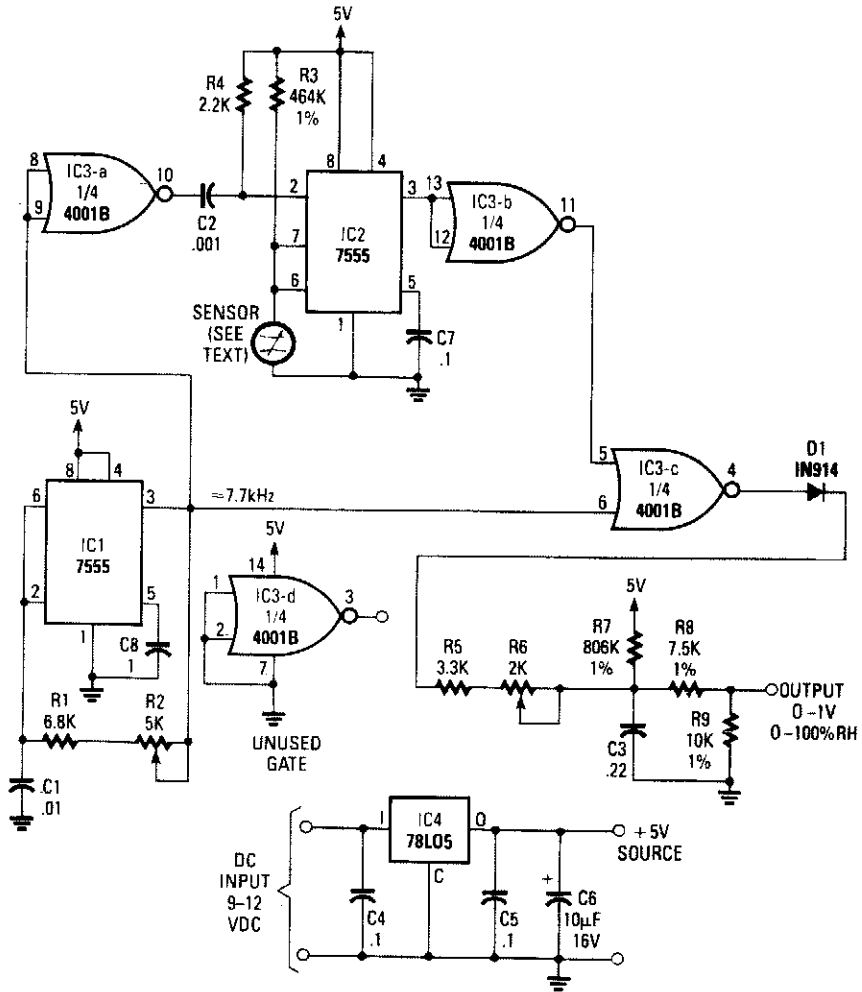
## Humidity Sensor Circuits

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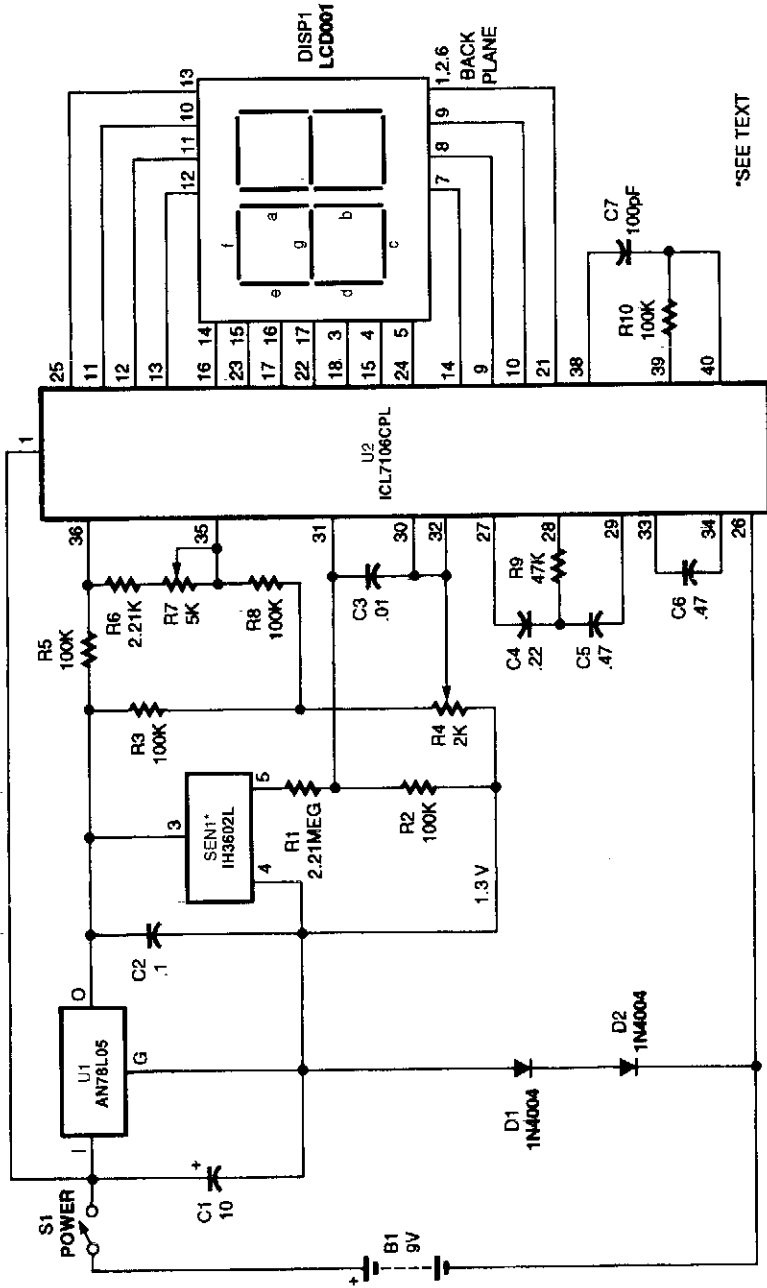
Humidity Monitor  
Digital Relative Humidity Gauge

## HUMIDITY MONITOR



This circuit uses a Phillips capacitive humidity sensor that has a  $\Delta C$  variation of 45 pF over 0 to 100 pF RH. IC2 is an oscillator whose frequency is determined by the RH sensor. It is compared to fixed oscillator, and the difference frequency is taken by IC3C and rectified, outputting a 0- to 1-V signal for RH between 0 and 100%.

# DIGITAL RELATIVE HUMIDITY GAUGE



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Fig. 38-2

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Sensor SEN1 outputs a dc voltage that varies linearly with relative humidity. This dc voltage is fed through R1 and R2 to A/D converter chip U2. Zero set is performed with R4. The LCD display is calibrated with R7 to read 0 to 100 percent.

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## Indicator Circuits

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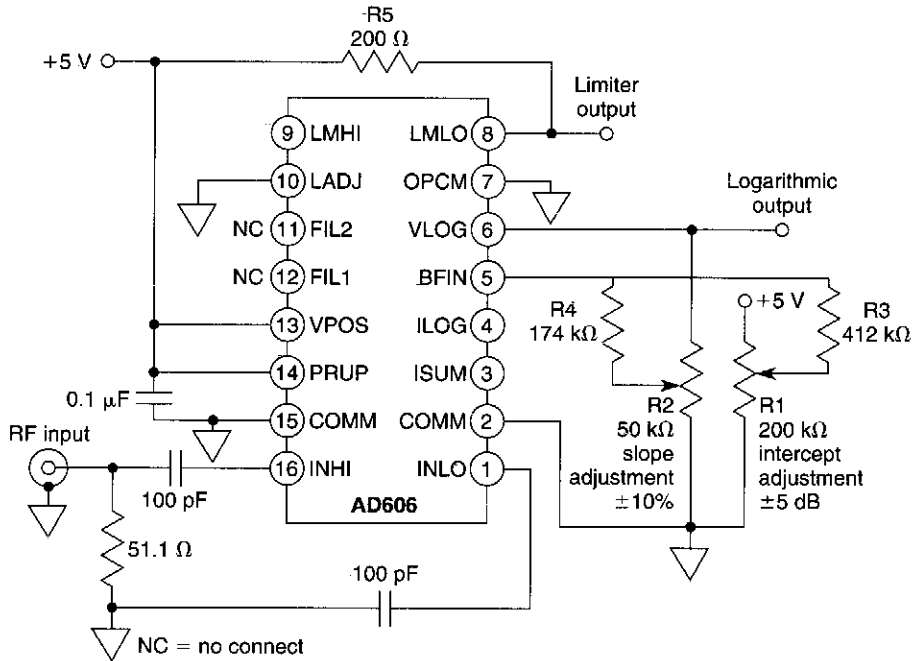
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Model Car Derby Winner Indicator  
Current Indicator  
Receiver Signal-Strength Indicator  
LED Output Indicator for 555 Circuits





## RECEIVER SIGNAL-STRENGTH INDICATOR

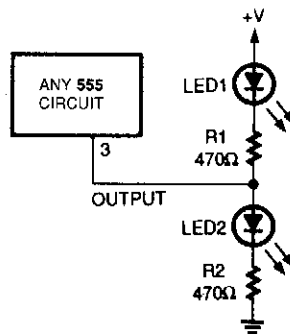


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Fig. 39-3

Using an AD606 log amplifier, this indicator gives a logarithmic output of +0.3 V at -80-dBm input to +3.5 V at 10-dBm input. Frequency range is to 50 MHz for this IC device.

## LED OUTPUT INDICATOR FOR 555 CIRCUITS



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Fig. 39-4

A pair of LEDs connected as shown here can be used with just about any low-frequency 555 oscillator to give high-/low-output indications. When the output goes high LED2 turns on, and when the output goes low LED1 turns on.

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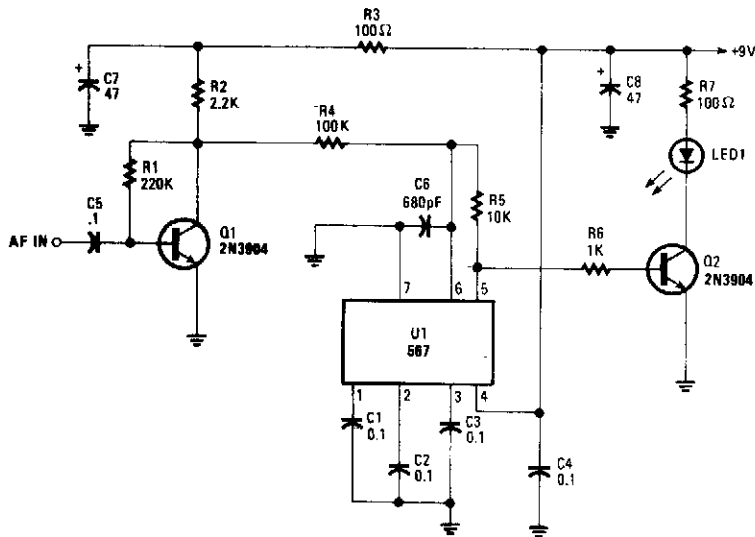
## Infrared Circuits

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Audio-Modulated IR Transmitter  
Audible IR Detector  
Wireless IR Headphone Transmitter  
TV Remote-Control Relay  
Single-Tone Infrared Control Transmitter  
IR Illuminator for Night-Vision TV Cameras and Scopes  
Low-Power Infrared Data-Link Receiver  
Infrared Body Heat Detector  
IR Detector Circuit  
Steady-Tone Infrared Transmitter  
FM Infrared Receiver for Audio Reception  
General-Purpose IR Receiver  
Wireless IR Headphone Receiver  
Pulse Frequency-Modulated IR Transmitter  
Single-Tone Infrared Receiver  
Audible-Output Infrared Receiver

## AUDIO-MODULATED IR TRANSMITTER

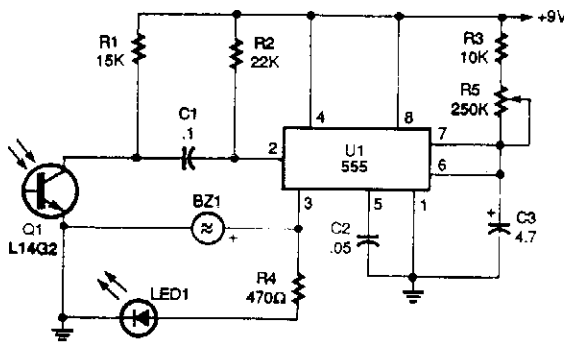


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*Fig. 40-1*

This circuit produces an effect similar to frequency modulation (FM) by varying the voltage at pin 6 of the PLL using an audio signal. The FM IR signal can be picked up by a receiver with an FM detector suitably tuned.

## AUDIBLE IR DETECTOR



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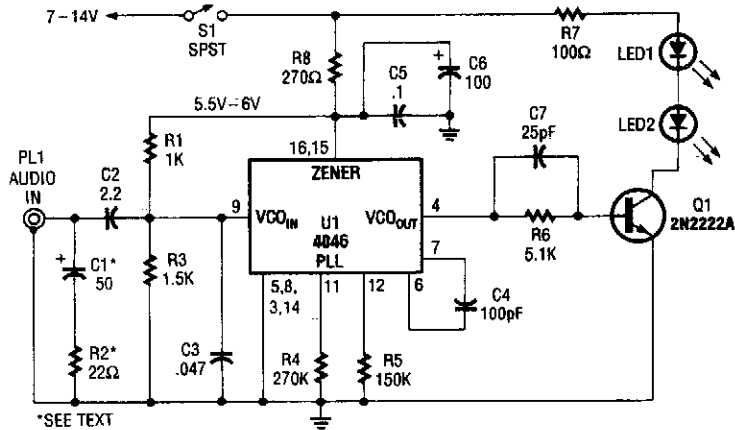
*Fig. 40-2*

An IR-detector circuit offers an audible (as well as a visual) output, and also stretches the on time of the detected pulse to make the output easier to see, as shown.

Photoresistor Q1 detects a remote's IR output pulse and sends a negative-going pulse to the trigger input (pin 2) of the 555 IC, U1. The 555 is connected in a one-shot timer circuit; the output (pin 3) on time is set by the values of  $C_3$ ,  $R_3$ , and  $R_5$ . When an input pulse is detected, pin 3 goes high, lighting LED1 and activating the piezo buzzer, BZ1.

For longer output pulses, set  $R_5$  to its maximum resistance value. To lengthen the circuit's on-time range, increase the value of  $C_3$ , and to shorten the on-time range lower the value of  $C_3$ .

## WIRELESS IR HEADPHONE TRANSMITTER



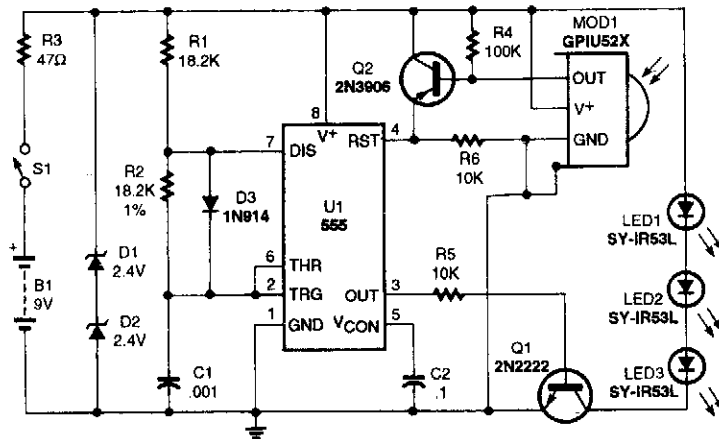
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Fig. 40-3

Audio input from PL1 frequency modulates the VCO section of a 4046 PLL chip. The VCO output drives Q1, a switching transistor. Q1 drives two IR LEDs. The signal produced is around 100 kHz, FM carrier VCO sensitivity is around 7.5 kHz/V.

## TV REMOTE-CONTROL RELAY

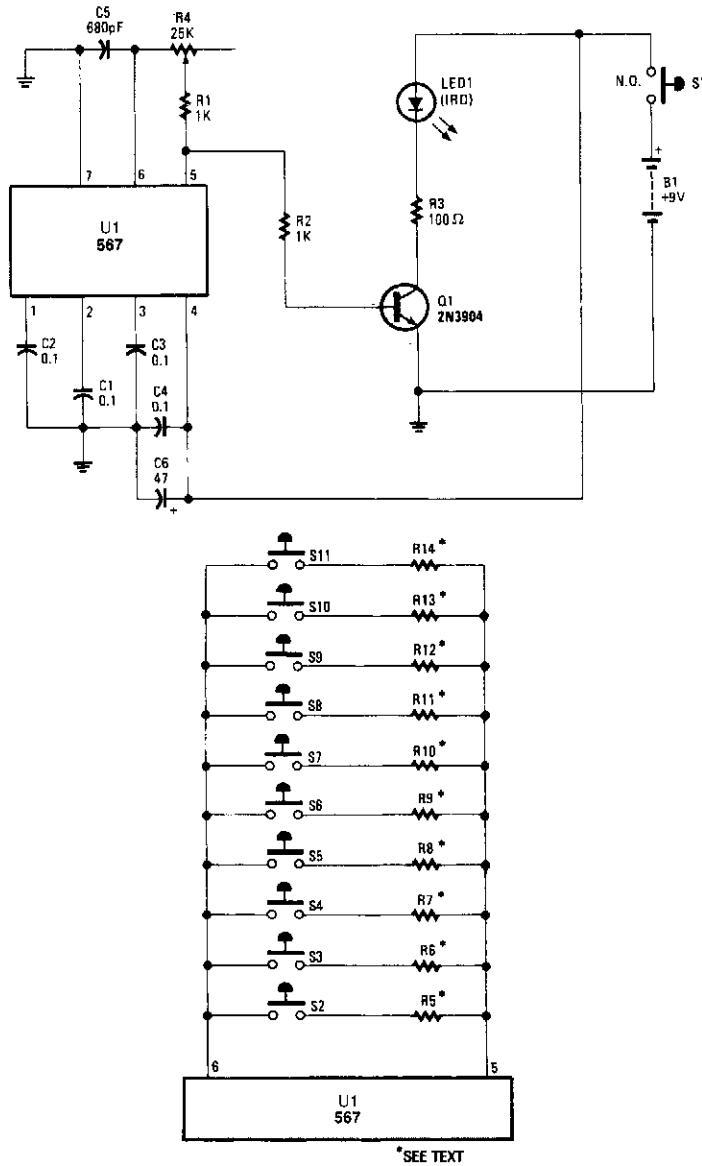


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Fig. 40-4

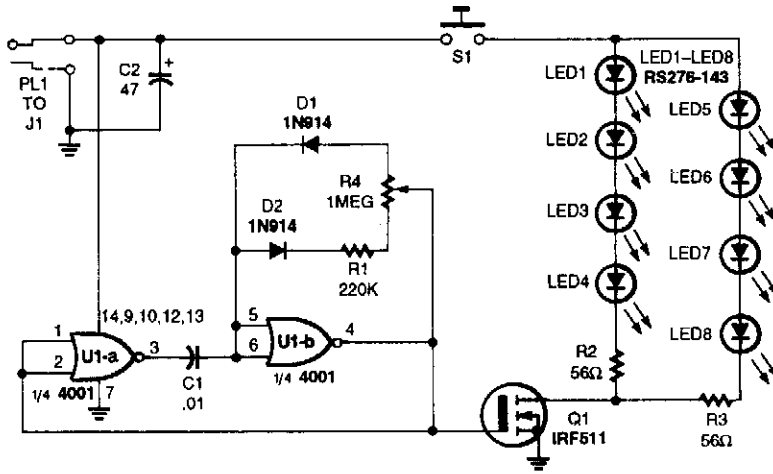
This circuit functions as an IR "repeater" to extend the range of your TV remote control. MOD1 is a P/N GP1U52X IR detector and the receiver is available as Radio Shack P/N 276-137.

## SINGLE-TONE INFRARED CONTROL TRANSMITTER



A modulated beam of IR light is produced by this transmitter. This circuit can be used for on/off controls or tone (CW) communications. The pot can be replaced by several pushbuttons and resistors, as shown for multitone applications.

## IR ILLUMINATOR FOR NIGHT-VISION TV CAMERAS AND SCOPES

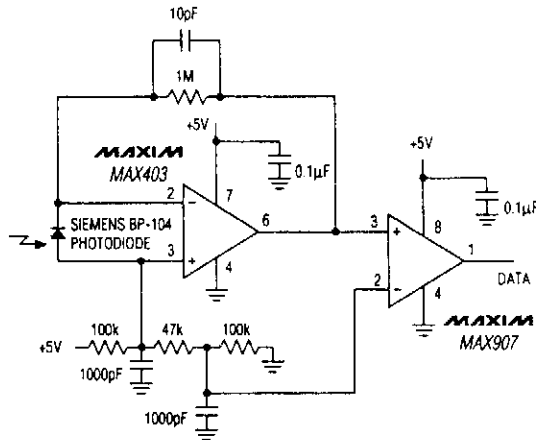


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Fig. 40-6

This source uses LEDs and an astable oscillator to control the switch, duty-cycle, and effective IR illumination output.

## LOW-POWER INFRARED DATA-LINK RECEIVER

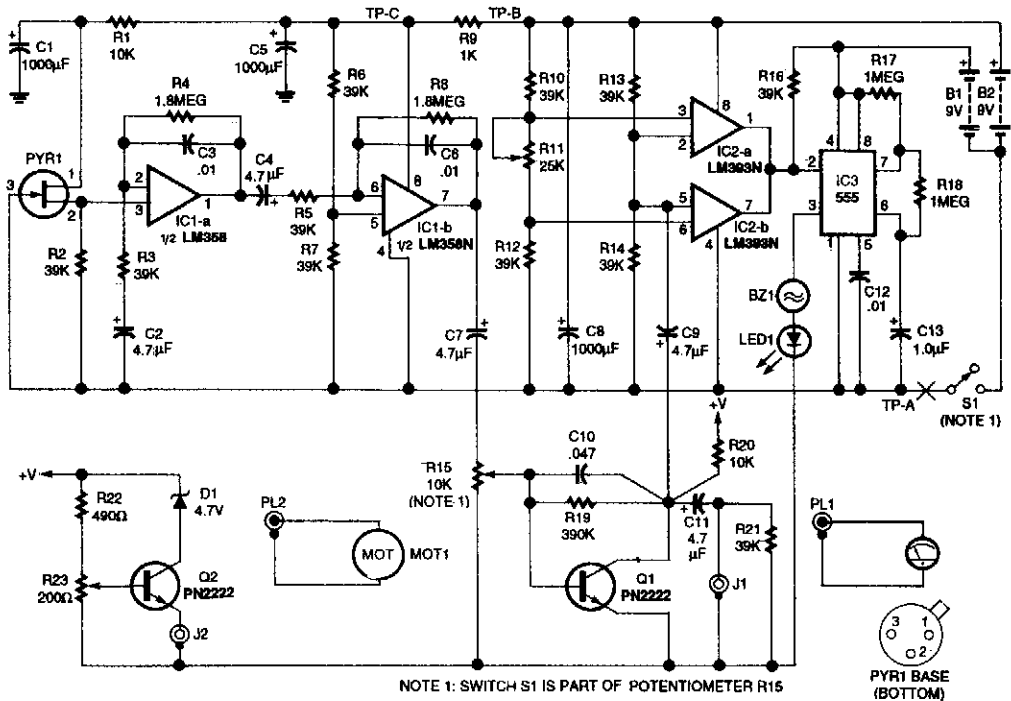


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Fig. 40-7

The Maxim MAX403 in this circuit consumes only 1 mA and is capable of speeds over 1 MBPS.

## INFRARED BODY-HEAT DETECTOR

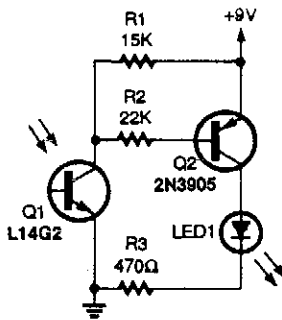


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**Fig. 40-8**

This circuit uses a pyroelectric detector to detect IR emissions in the 6- to 14-micron range. It is useful for security or infrared experiments. PYR1 is a pyroelectric IR detector. The unit should be mounted in a case with an IR lens to focus energy on the detector.

## IR DETECTOR CIRCUIT



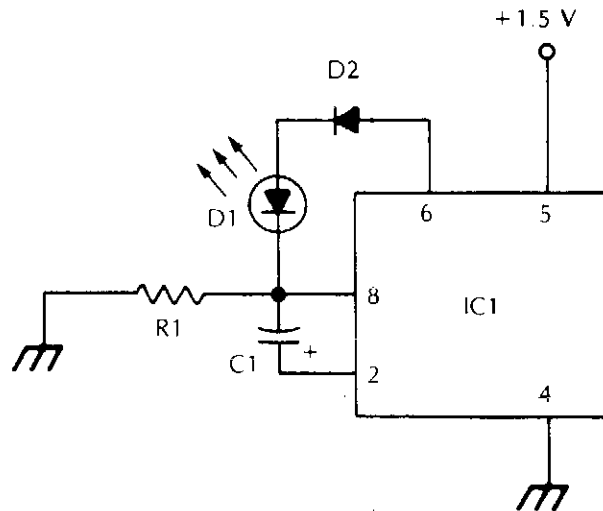
The circuit uses an IR phototransistor, Q1, to detect a remote control's IR output signal. A PNP transistor, Q2, then amplifies Q1's output and lights LED1. That indicates that an infrared signal has been detected by the phototransistor, or in other words, that your remote control works.

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**Fig. 40-9**

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## STEADY-TONE INFRARED TRANSMITTER



- IC1 LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator IC
- D1 infrared LED
- D2 diode (1N4148, 1N914, or similar)
- C1 1  $\mu$ F 5 V electrolytic capacitor
- R1 1.5 k $\Omega$  1/4 W 5% resistor

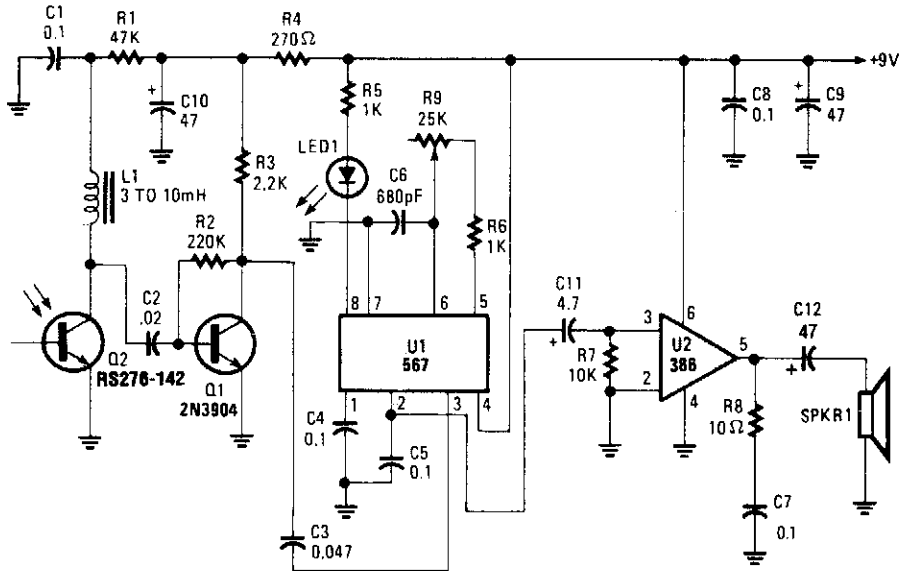
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*Fig. 40-10*

This oscillator pulses an IR LED at about 1000 Hz. It should be useful as a test for lining up IR communications links or setting up fiber-optic cables, etc.



## FM INFRARED RECEIVER FOR AUDIO RECEPTION

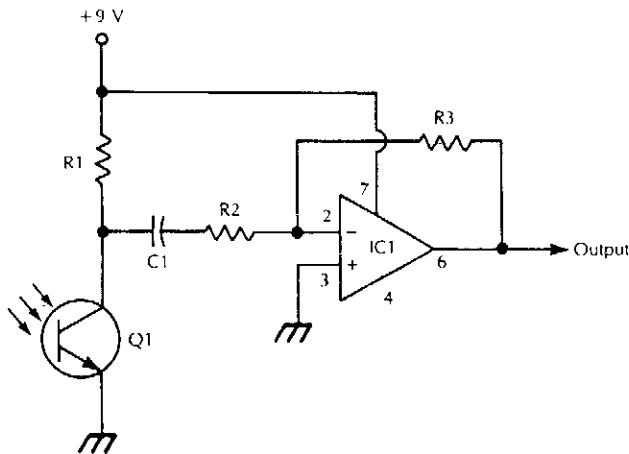


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Fig. 40-11

Modulated IR energy strikes Q2, a phototransistor. Q1 is a tuned amplifier, and feeds PLL detector U1. U2 is an audio amplifier that drives a speaker.

## GENERAL-PURPOSE IR RECEIVER



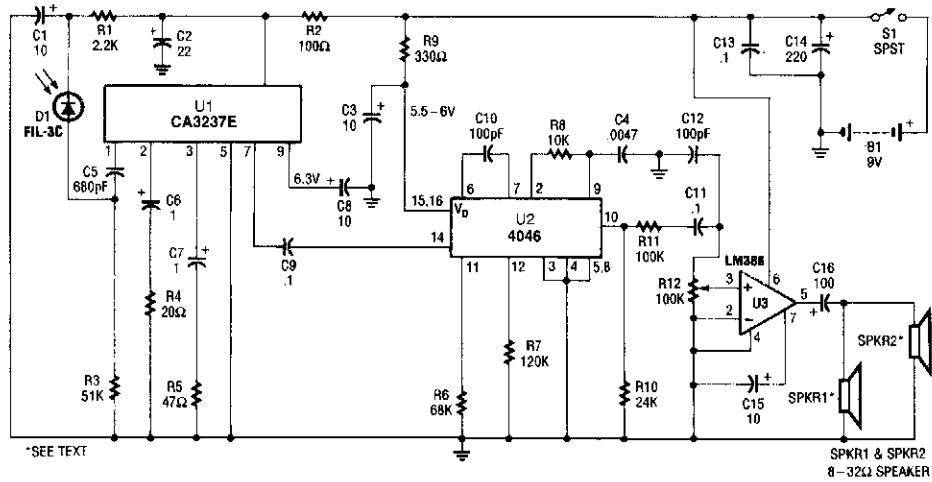
|     |                                  |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| IC1 | 741 op amp                       |
| Q1  | infrared phototransistor         |
| C1  | 0.01 $\mu$ F capacitor           |
| R1  | 100 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor |
| R2  | 2.2 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor |
| R3  | 1 M $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor   |

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Fig. 40-12

Suitable for amplitude-modulated IR beams, this receiver provides an audio signal that corresponds to the modulation envelope. Phototransistor Q1 should be properly mounted and shielded from stray light. This receiver should drive a small earphone directly.

## WIRELESS IR HEADPHONE RECEIVER

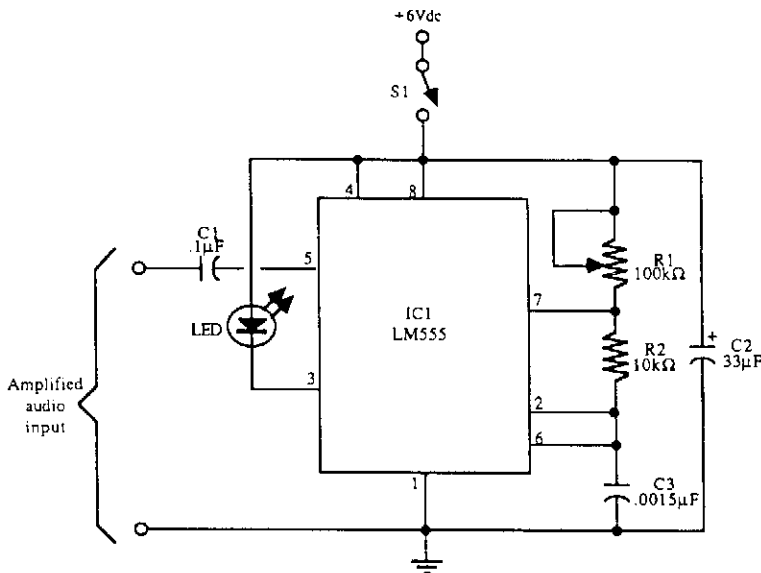


**Fig. 40-13**

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A photodiode D1 feeds high gain IR remote control preamp IC, a CA3237E. U2 is a PLL FM detector tuned to around 100 kHz. The detector output is amplified by U3 and it can drive a speaker or a set of headphones.

## PULSE FREQUENCY-MODULATED IR TRANSMITTER

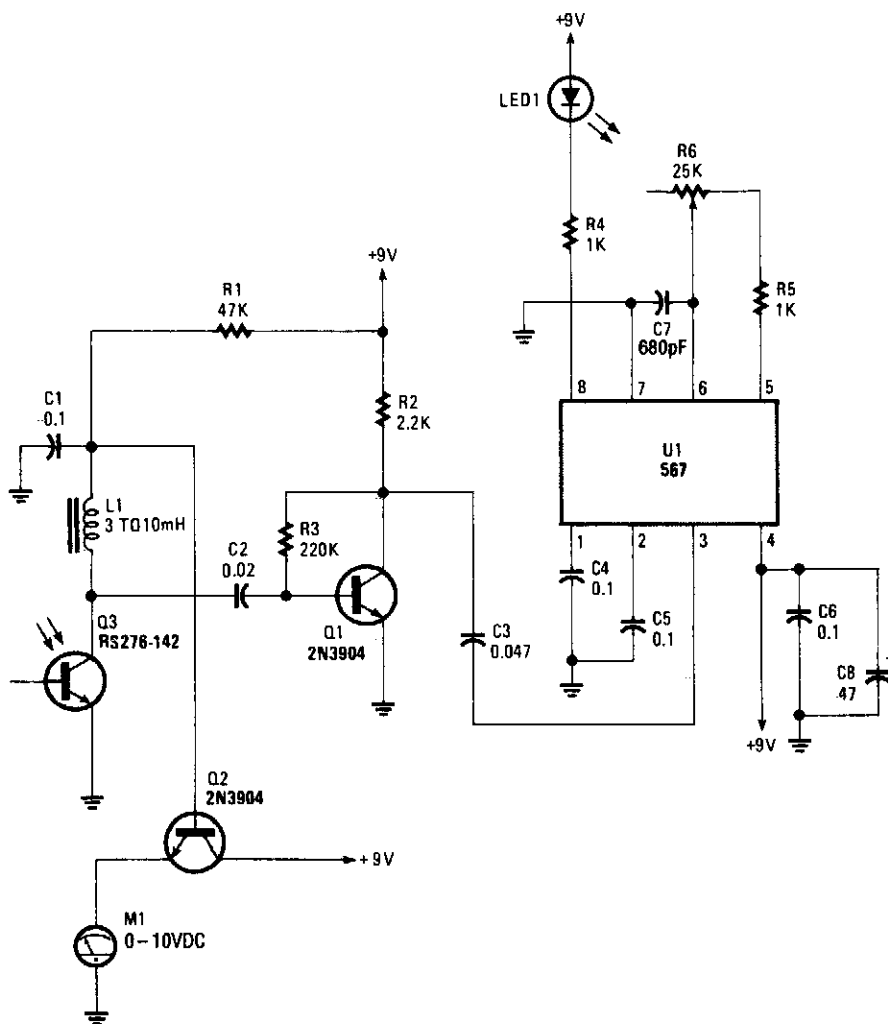


**Fig. 40-14**

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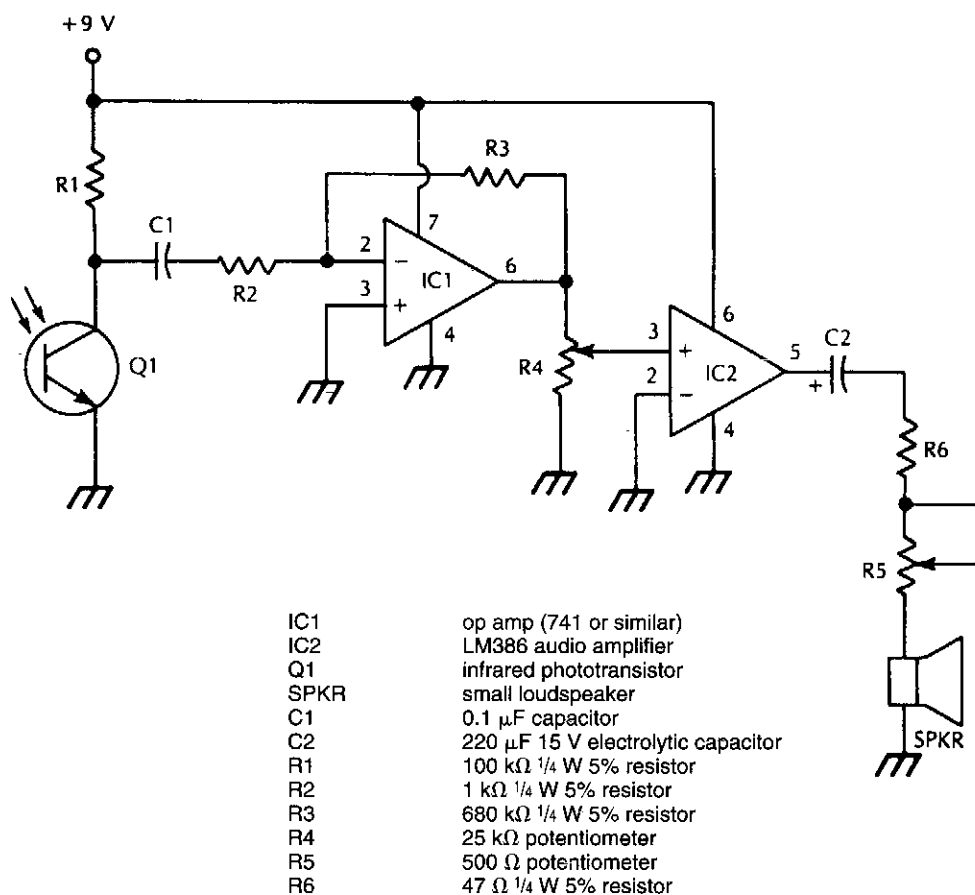
Schematic diagram for the pulse frequency-modulated LED transmitter. Adjust the frequency by rotating R1. With components shown, the frequency range is between 8 and 48 kHz.

## SINGLE-TONE INFRARED RECEIVER



Phototransistor Q3 acts as a sensor that detects modulated IR energy. Q1 is an amplifier and U1 is a tone decoder. LED1 lights on reception of an IR signal with proper tone modulation.

## AUDIBLE-OUTPUT INFRARED RECEIVER



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**Fig. 40-16**

This receiver is designed to demodulate amplitude-modulated (AM) IR light beams and will drive a loudspeaker. R5 is an auxiliary volume control and it could be omitted. Q1 should be suitably mounted and shielded from stray light pickup.

# 41

## Instrumentation Amplifier Circuits

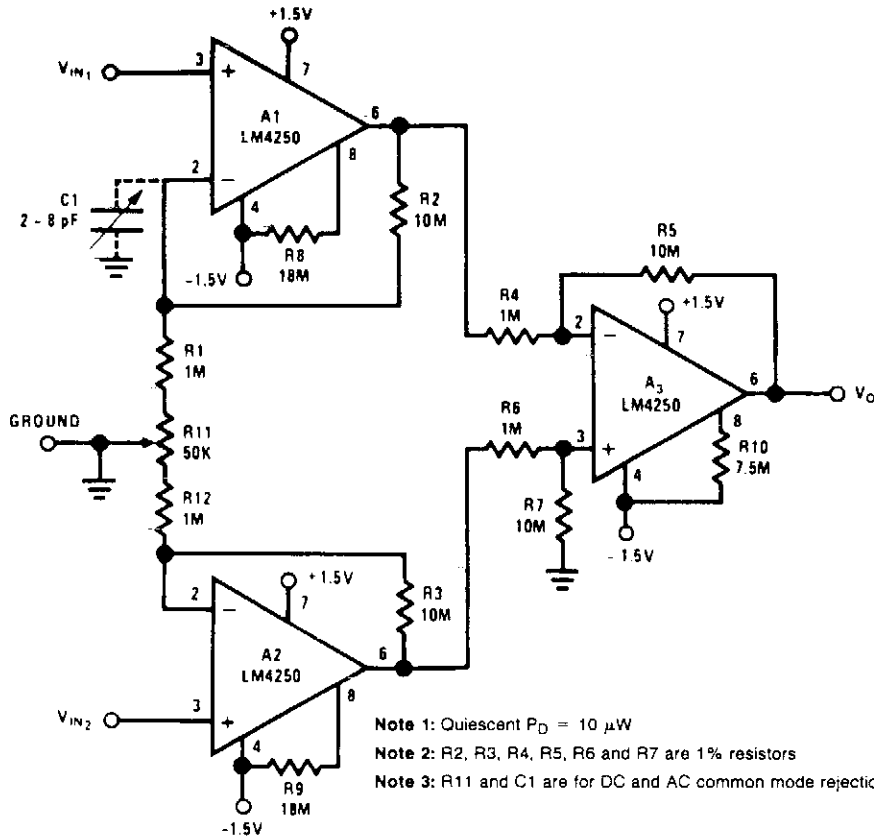
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- ×100 Instrumentation Amplifier
- Instrumentation Amplifier
- Variable-Gain Differential-Input Instrumentation Amplifier
- Programmable Gain Instrumentation Amplifier for Single-Supply Applications
- Differential-Input Instrumentation Amplifier
- High Input-Impedance Instrumentation Amplifier
- ac-Coupled Instrumentation Amplifier
- Low-Noise Instrumentation Amplifier
- Low-Power Instrumentation Amplifier
- Ultra-Low-Noise Single-Supply Instrumentation Amplifier
- Instrumentation Amplifier

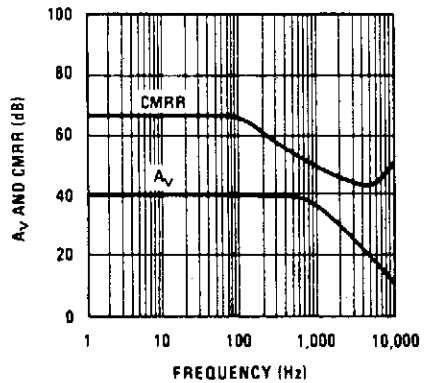
## ×100 INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



Note 1: Quiescent  $P_D = 10 \mu W$

Note 2: R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 and R7 are 1% resistors

Note 3: R11 and C1 are for DC and AC common mode rejection adjustments

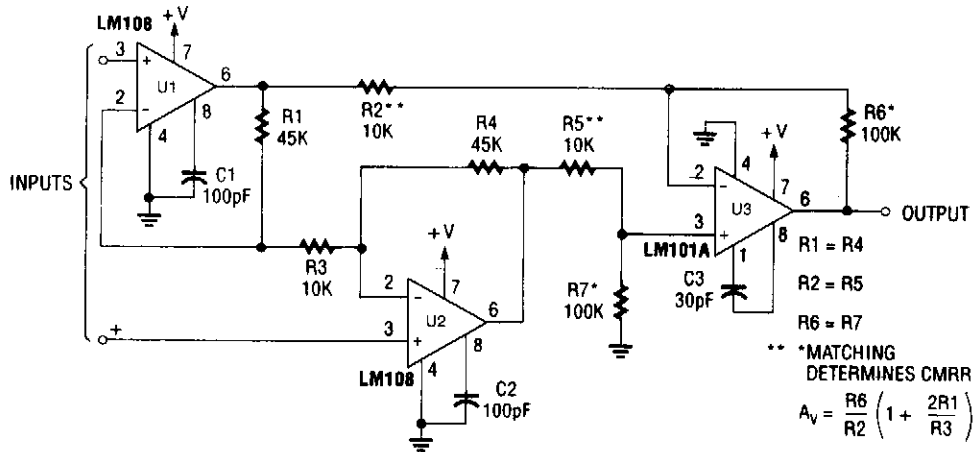


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 41-1

CMRR vs. frequency.

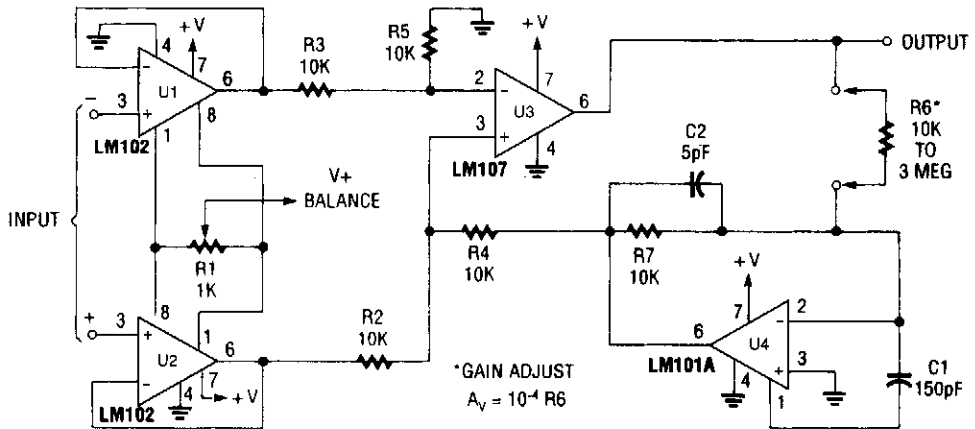
## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 41-2

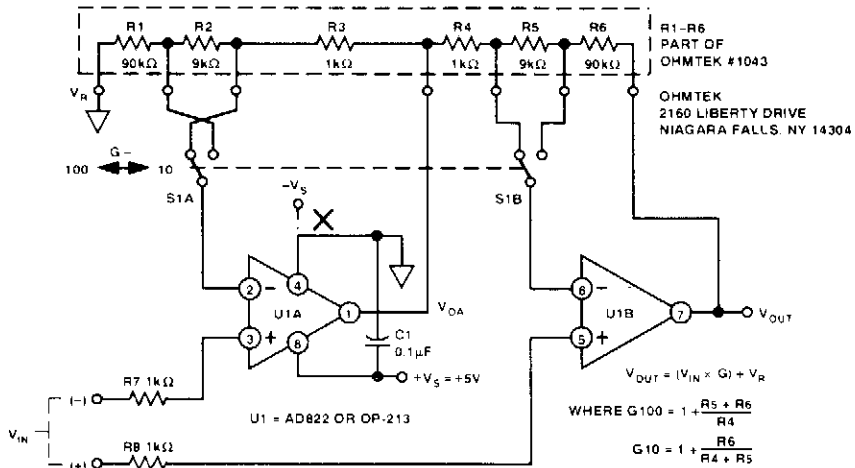
## VARIABLE-GAIN DIFFERENTIAL INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 41-3

## PROGRAMMABLE GAIN INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER FOR SINGLE-SUPPLY APPLICATIONS

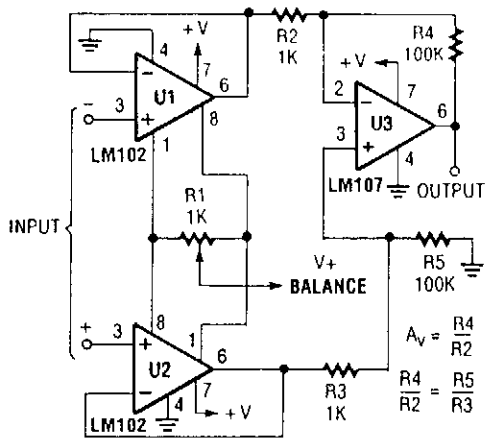


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Fig. 41-4

This is a two-op-amp programmable-gain instrumentation amplifier for single-supply applications. U1A and U1B are Analog Devices AD822 or OP-213 ICs.

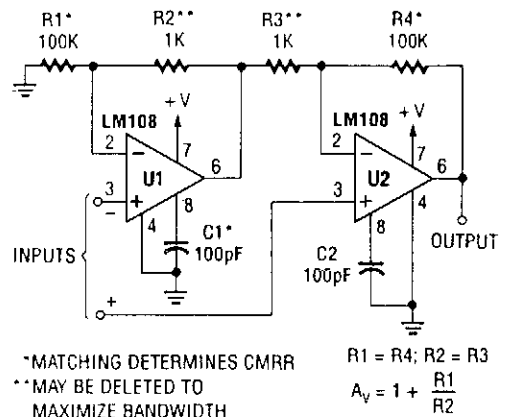
## DIFFERENTIAL-INPUT INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 41-5

## HIGH INPUT-IMPEDANCE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

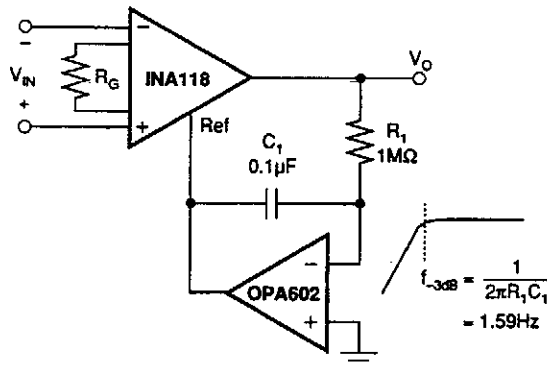


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 41-6



## ac-COUPLED INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

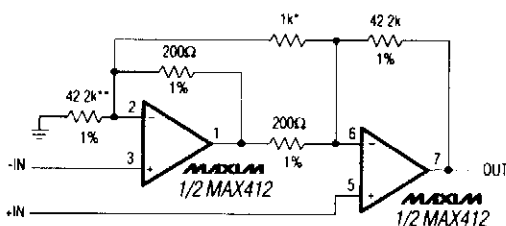


| DESIRED GAIN | R <sub>G</sub> (Ω) | NEAREST 1% R <sub>G</sub> (Ω) |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1            | NC                 | NC                            |
| 2            | 50.00k             | 49.9k                         |
| 5            | 12.50k             | 12.4k                         |
| 10           | 5.556k             | 5.62k                         |
| 20           | 2.632k             | 2.61k                         |
| 50           | 1.02k              | 1.02k                         |
| 100          | 505.1              | 511                           |
| 200          | 251.3              | 249                           |
| 500          | 100.2              | 100                           |
| 1000         | 50.05              | 49.9                          |
| 2000         | 25.01              | 24.9                          |
| 5000         | 10.00              | 10                            |
| 10000        | 5.001              | 4.99                          |

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Fig. 41-7

## LOW-NOISE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



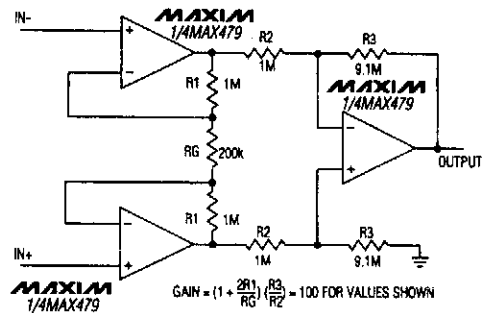
\* TRIM FOR GAIN  
\*\* TRIM FOR COMMON-MODE REJECTION

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Fig. 41-8

A Maxim MAX412 IC amplifier is used in this circuit. The supply-current is  $\pm 5$  V at 5 mA.

## LOW-POWER INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER

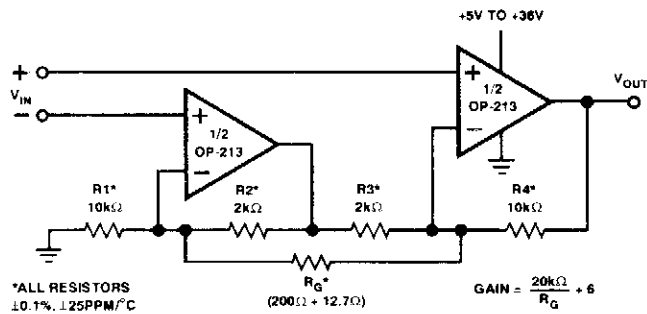


MAXIM

Fig. 41-9

This amplifier requires less than 20 mA from a  $\pm 15$ -V supply.

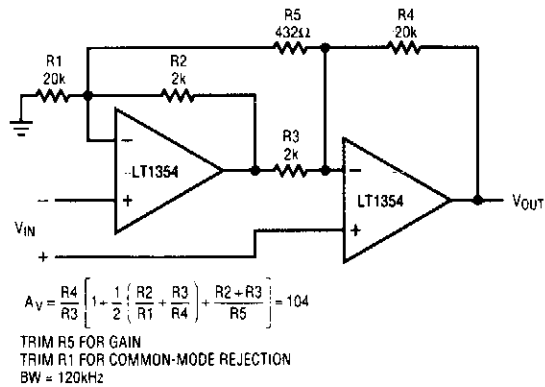
## ULTRA-LOW-NOISE SINGLE-SUPPLY INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 41-10

## INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 41-11

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## Integrator Circuits

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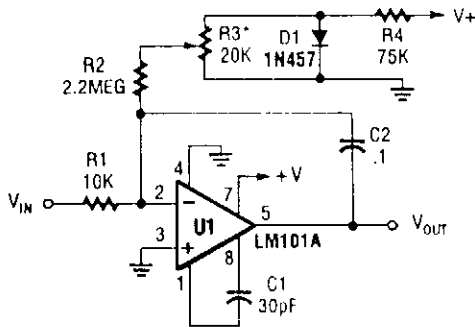
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Integrator with Bias-Current Compensation

Simple Integrator

ac Integrator

### INTEGRATOR WITH BIAS-CURRENT COMPENSATION

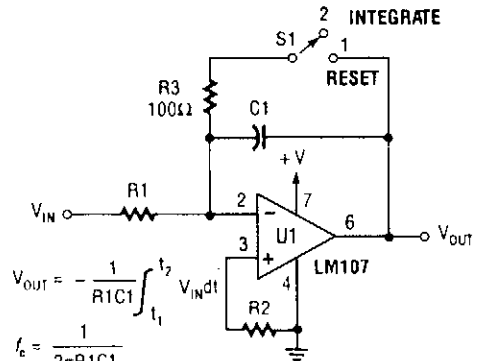


\*ADJUST FOR ZERO INTEGRATOR DRIFT.  
CURRENT DRIFT TYPICALLY 0.1 n/A°C  
OVER -55°C TO 125°C  
TEMPERATURE RANGE.

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Fig. 42-1

### SIMPLE INTEGRATOR



$$V_{OUT} = -\frac{1}{R_1 C_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} V_{IN} dt$$

$$t_c = \frac{1}{2\pi R_1 C_1}$$

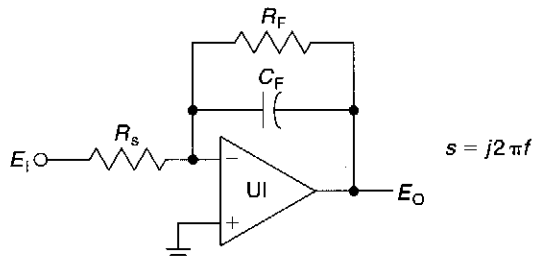
$$R_1 = R_2$$

FOR MINIMUM OFFSET ERROR DUE  
TO INPUT BIAS CURRENT

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Fig. 42-2

### ac INTEGRATOR



$$\frac{E_O}{E_i}(s) \approx \frac{R_F}{R_S(1 + sR_F C_F)} \approx \frac{1}{R_F C_F} \text{ for } s \gg \frac{1}{R_F C_F}$$

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Fig. 42-3

This op-amp circuit can be used with a wide variety of op amps. The values of  $R_i$  and  $R_f$  depend on gain, but will be 1 kΩ to 1 MΩ in most cases.  $C_f$  depends on the pole frequency needed. U1 is a 741-type op amp, etc.

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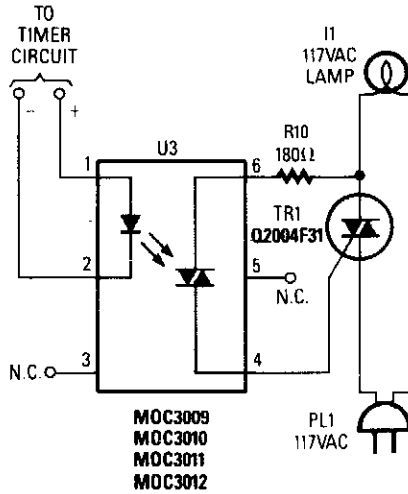
## Interface Circuits

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Timer/ac Line Interface  
Interfacing Resistive Transducers

## TIMER/ac LINE INTERFACE

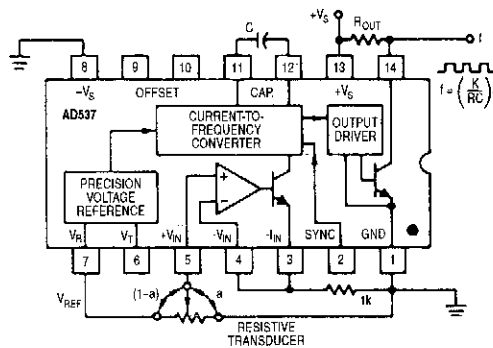


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 43-1

This circuit illustrates the use of an optoisolator to enable the control of a triac connected to the ac line and load, while maintaining dc and ac isolation between the ac line and the timer circuit. A 555 or other timer circuit can be used.

## INTERFACING RESISTIVE TRANSDUCERS



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Fig. 43-2

All types of resistive-element transducers, such as servo-pots, level indicators, thermistors, photo-sensors, strain gages, and so on, can be directly connected to the AD537. The scale-correction factor,  $K$ , is a function of resistance, varying from 0.65 to 0.98 for values from 3 to 100 kΩ.

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## Inverter Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

SCR Inverter and Trigger Circuit

Simple Inverter

Vehicle Audio Amplifier Inverter

Positive-to-Negative dc/dc Inverter

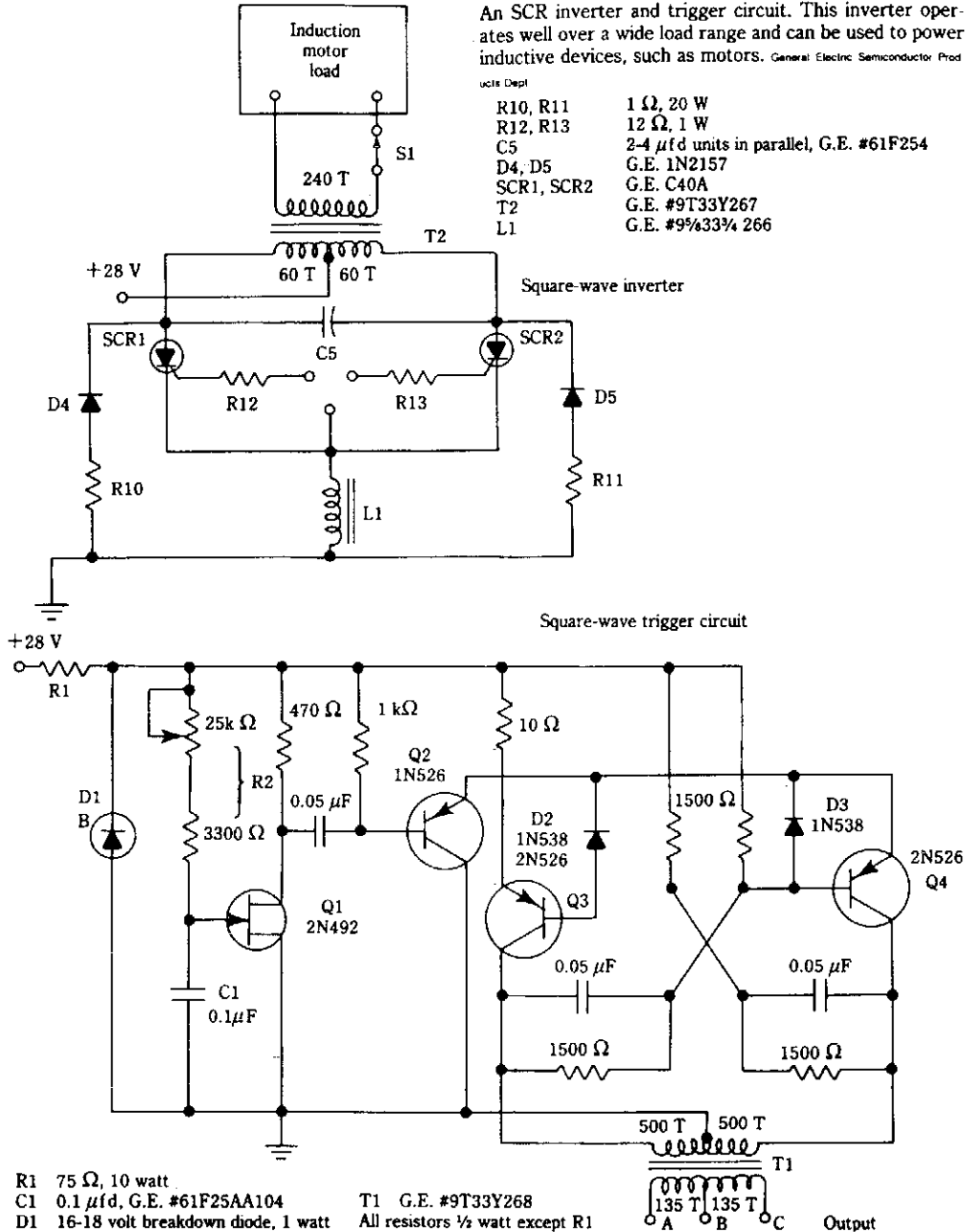
1-kW 10-kHz Sine-Wave Inverter

## SCR INVERTER AND TRIGGER CIRCUIT

An SCR inverter and trigger circuit. This inverter operates well over a wide load range and can be used to power inductive devices, such as motors. General Electric Semiconductor Prod

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|            |   |
|------------|---|
| R10, R11   | 1 $\Omega$ , 20 W                           |
| R12, R13   | 12 $\Omega$ , 1 W                           |
| C5         | 2-4 $\mu$ f units in parallel, G.E. #61F254 |
| D4, D5     | G.E. 1N2157                                 |
| SCR1, SCR2 | G.E. C40A                                   |
| T2         | G.E. #9T33Y267                              |
| L1         | G.E. #9#433 $\frac{3}{4}$ 266               |



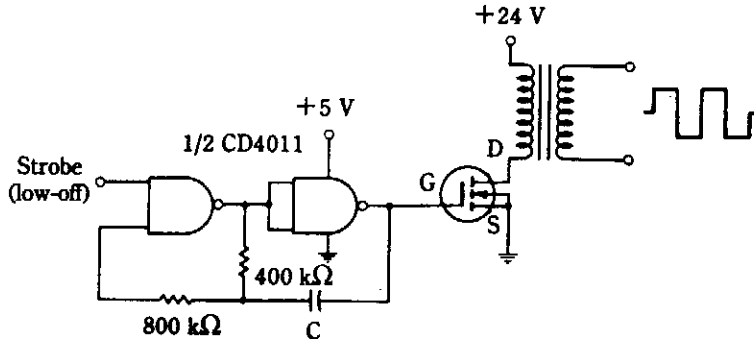
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Fig. 44-1

In this circuit, L1 and C5 are used as commutating elements. L1 resonates with C5 at the frequency corresponding to the half period of the waveform.



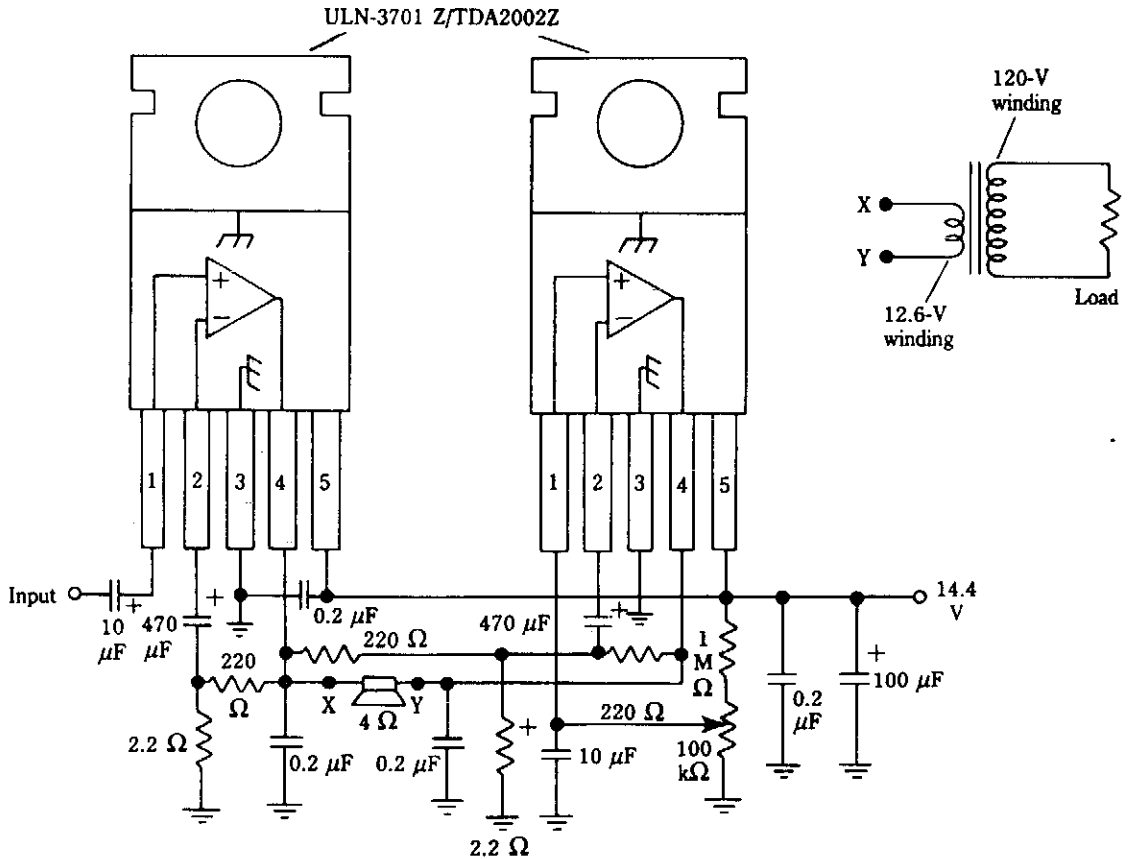
## SIMPLE INVERTER



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Fig. 44-2

## VEHICLE AUDIO AMPLIFIER INVERTER

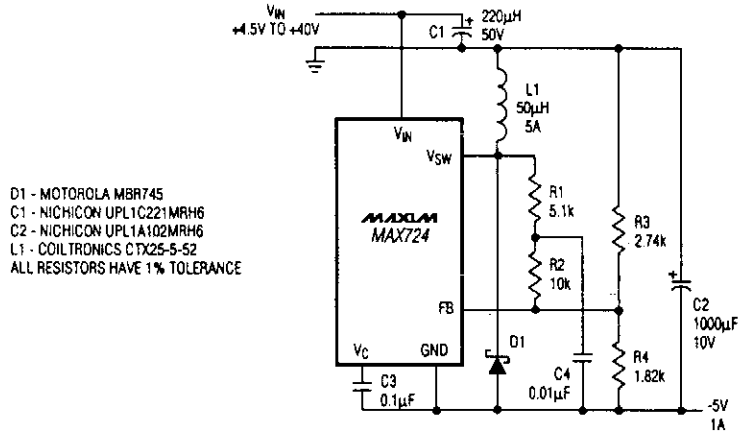


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Fig. 44-3

An audio amplifier can drive a step-up transformer to obtain 120 Vac.

## POSITIVE-TO-NEGATIVE dc/dc INVERTER

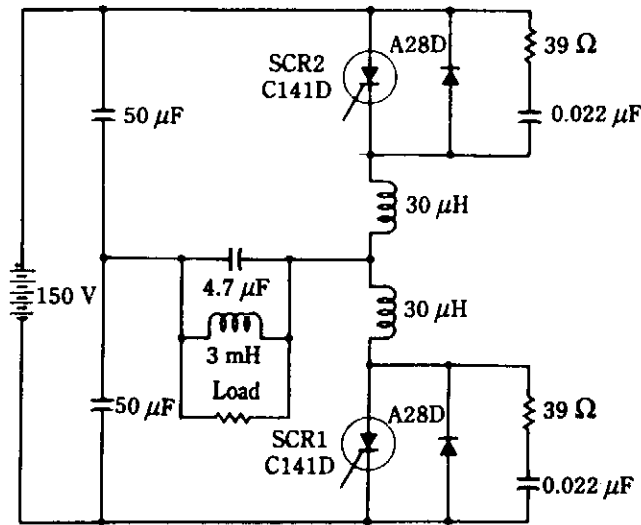


MAXIM

Fig. 44-4

If a source of negative 5 Vdc is needed and only a positive supply is available, this circuit can be used.

## 1-kW 10-kHz SINE-WAVE INVERTER



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Fig. 44-5

SCRs can produce considerable power at frequencies up to 30 kHz or more. This circuit can supply 1 kW at 10 kHz. The load is shown as an equivalent load, and practically this will be the primary of the transformer for isolation purposes. The power supply can be a 120-V bridge rectifier and filter combination.

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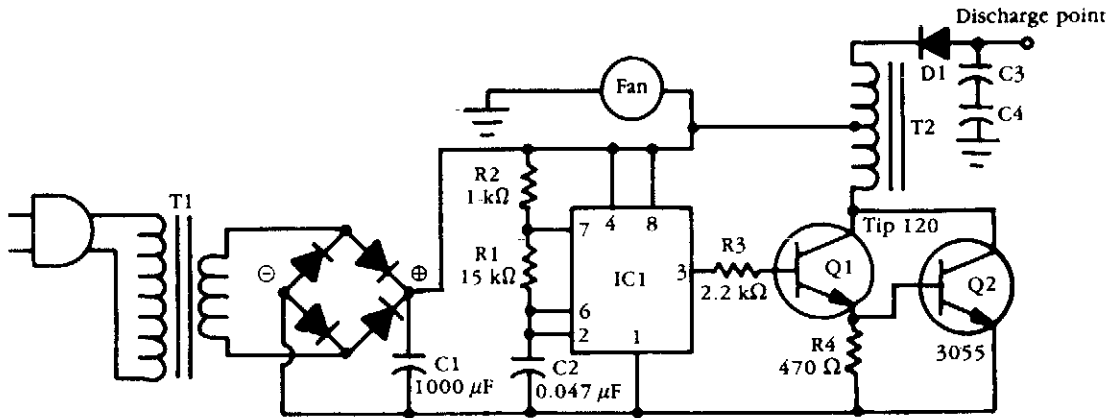
## Ion Circuits

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Negative Ion Generator  
Ion-Sensing Electrode  
Negative Ion Generator  
Ion Detector

## NEGATIVE ION GENERATOR

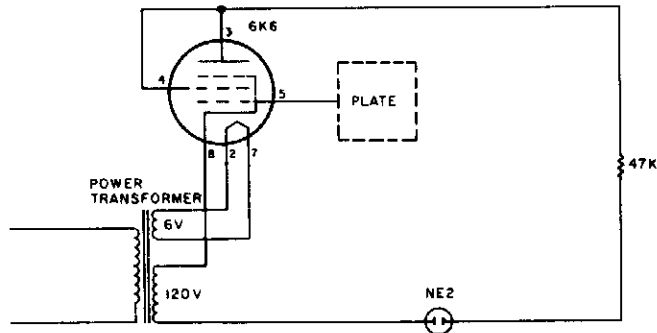


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Fig. 45-1

An NE555 drives a Darlington connected pair of transistors. T1 is a small high-voltage transformer or auto ignition coil, B/W TV flyback, etc. C3, C4, and D1 must be rated for 10 to 15 kV. The fan blows air across the discharge point.

## ION-SENSING ELECTROSCOPE

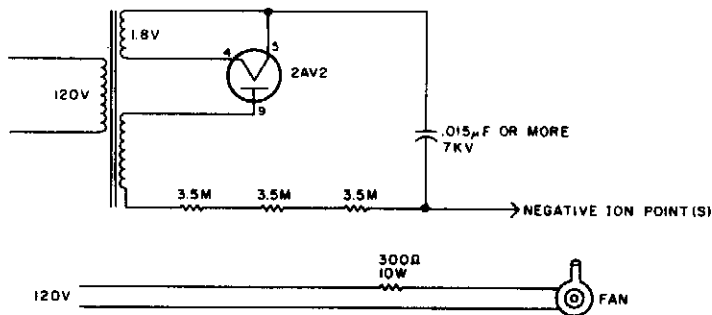


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Fig. 45-2

Negative ions are sensed by a plate antenna. A negative charge induced on the plate cuts off a vacuum tube, causing the neon indicator to go out.

## NEGATIVE ION GENERATOR

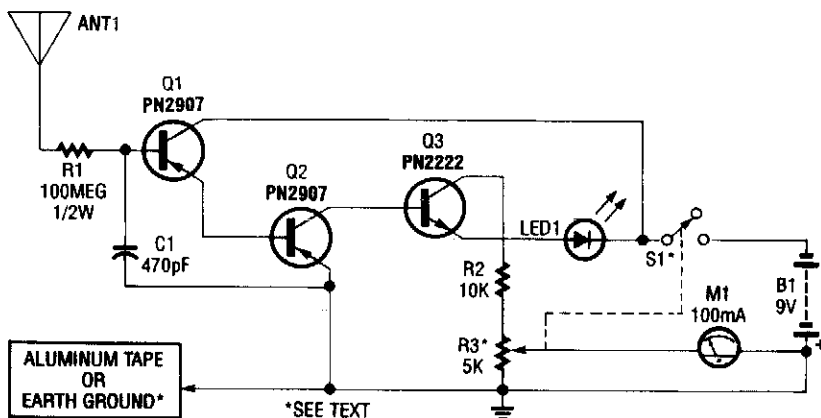


73 AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

**Fig. 45-3**

In this circuit, air is circulated past a pointed electrode that has a high negative voltage applied to it. The transformer is a small 4- to 6-kV output type with a filament winding. A good source of parts is a discarded electronic bug catcher.

## ION DETECTOR



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**Fig. 45-4**

This circuit detects static charges and free ions in the air. It can be used to indicate the presence of ion emissions, high-voltage leakage, static electricity, electrostatic fields, etc. The ground connection is made by either an earth ground or by touching the aluminum foil electrode with your hand. M1 is a 100- $\mu$ A meter. R3 is a sensitivity control.

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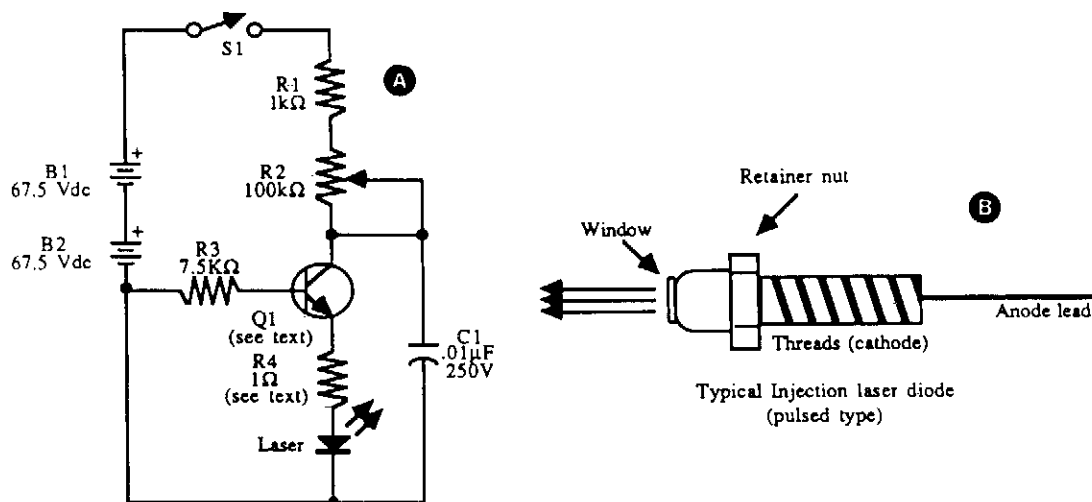
## Laser Circuits

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High-Current Drive Circuit for Single Heterostructure Laser Diodes  
12-V High-Voltage Supply for He-Ne Laser  
Light-Beam Receiver and Sound Effects Generator for Laser Pistols  
Laser Diode Transmitter  
IR Laser Light Detector  
PLL IR Laser Light Receiver  
Op-Amp Diode Laser Driver  
Laser dc Supply  
IC Laser Diode Driver  
Pulsed Double Heterostructure Laser Driver

## HIGH-CURRENT DRIVE CIRCUIT FOR SINGLE HETEROSTRUCTURE LASER DIODES



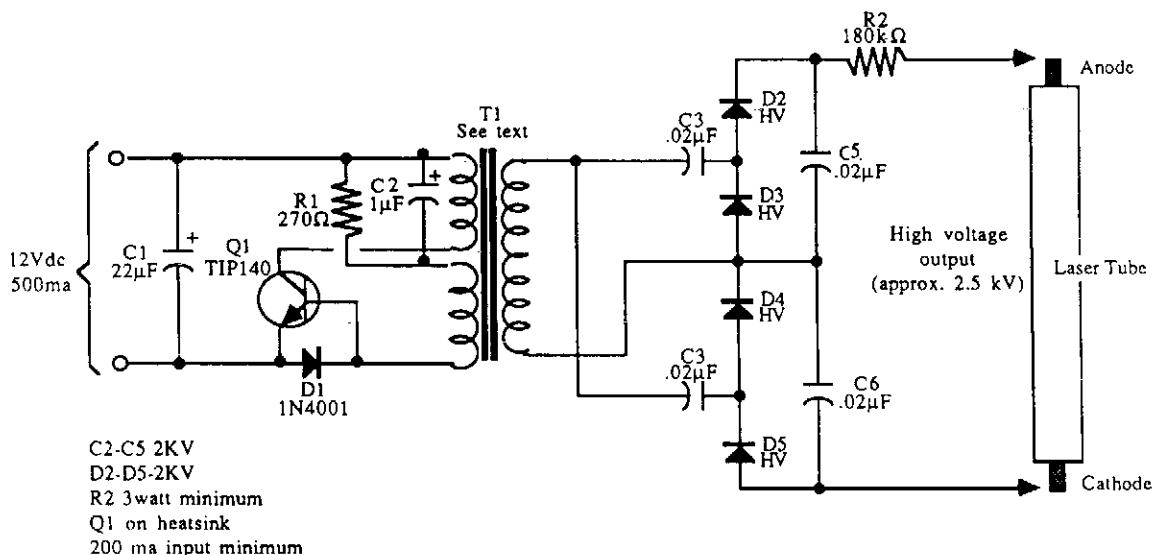
(A) High-current drive circuit for a single heterostructure laser diode. (B) Power leads for the typical sh laser diode, showing single lead for the anode.

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| R1    | 1 kilohm resistor                            |
| R2    | 100 kilohm potentiometer                     |
| R3    | 7.5 kilohm resistor                          |
| R4    | 1 ohm resistor, carbon composition, 5 watts  |
| C1    | 0.01 $\mu$ F capacitor, 250 V or higher      |
| Q1    | 2N2222 or equivalent; see text               |
| B1,B2 | 67.5 Vdc batteries                           |
| Misc. | Single heterostructure laser diode, heatsink |

All resistors are 5 to 10 percent tolerance,  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt, unless otherwise indicated.

The transistor is operated in the avalanche mode. You might need to try several 2N2222 devices before finding one that oscillates. R2 is adjusted for optimum oscillation. This supply provides pulse of 10 to 20 amps at about 50 ns.

## 12-V HIGH-VOLTAGE SUPPLY FOR HE-NE LASER



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Fig. 46-2

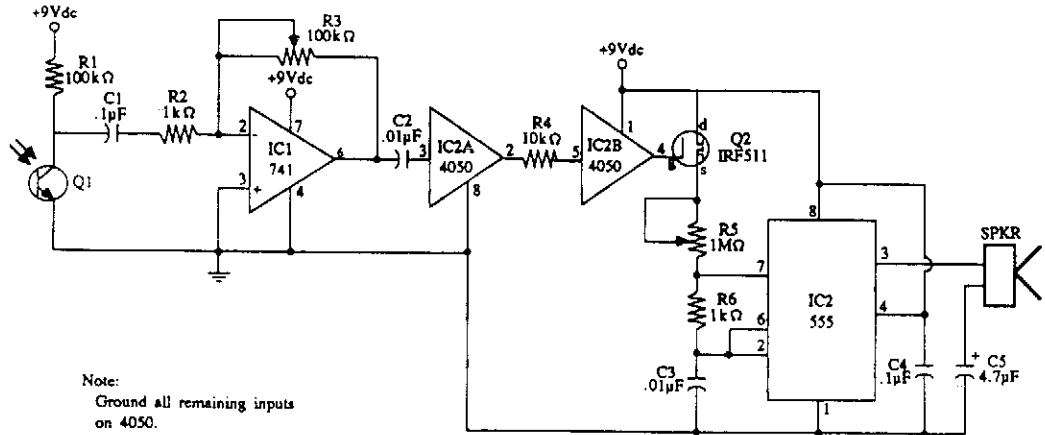
T1 is a 6-V:330-V dc/dc inverter transformer with a 57.4:1 turn ratio, rated at 7 W.

- R1        270-Ω resistor
- R2        180-kΩ resistor, 3 to 5 W
- C1        22-µF electrolytic capacitor
- C2        1-µF electrolytic capacitor
- C3-C6    0.02-µF capacitor, 1 kV or more
- D1        1N4001 diode
- D2-D5    High-voltage diode (3 kV or more)
- Q1        TIP 140 power transistor
- T1        High-voltage dc-to-dc converter transformer; see text for specifications

All resistors are 5 to 10% tolerance, ¼ W, unless otherwise indicated. All capacitors are 10 to 20% tolerance, rated 35 V or more, unless otherwise indicated.



## LIGHT-BEAM RECEIVER AND SOUND EFFECTS GENERATOR FOR LASER PISTOLS

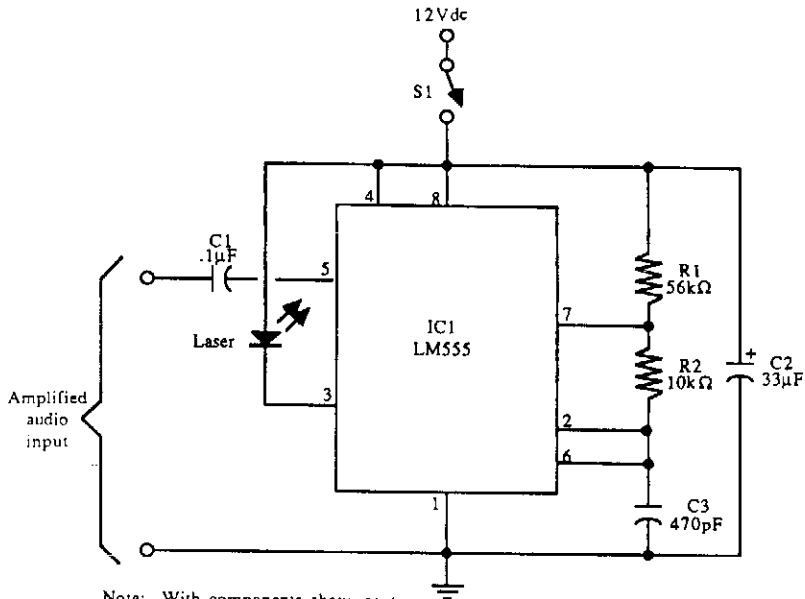


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Fig. 46-3

Schematic diagram for light beam amplifier and sound-effects generator (using a 555 timer IC and speaker). The light striking Q1 generates a siren-like sound.

## LASER DIODE TRANSMITTER



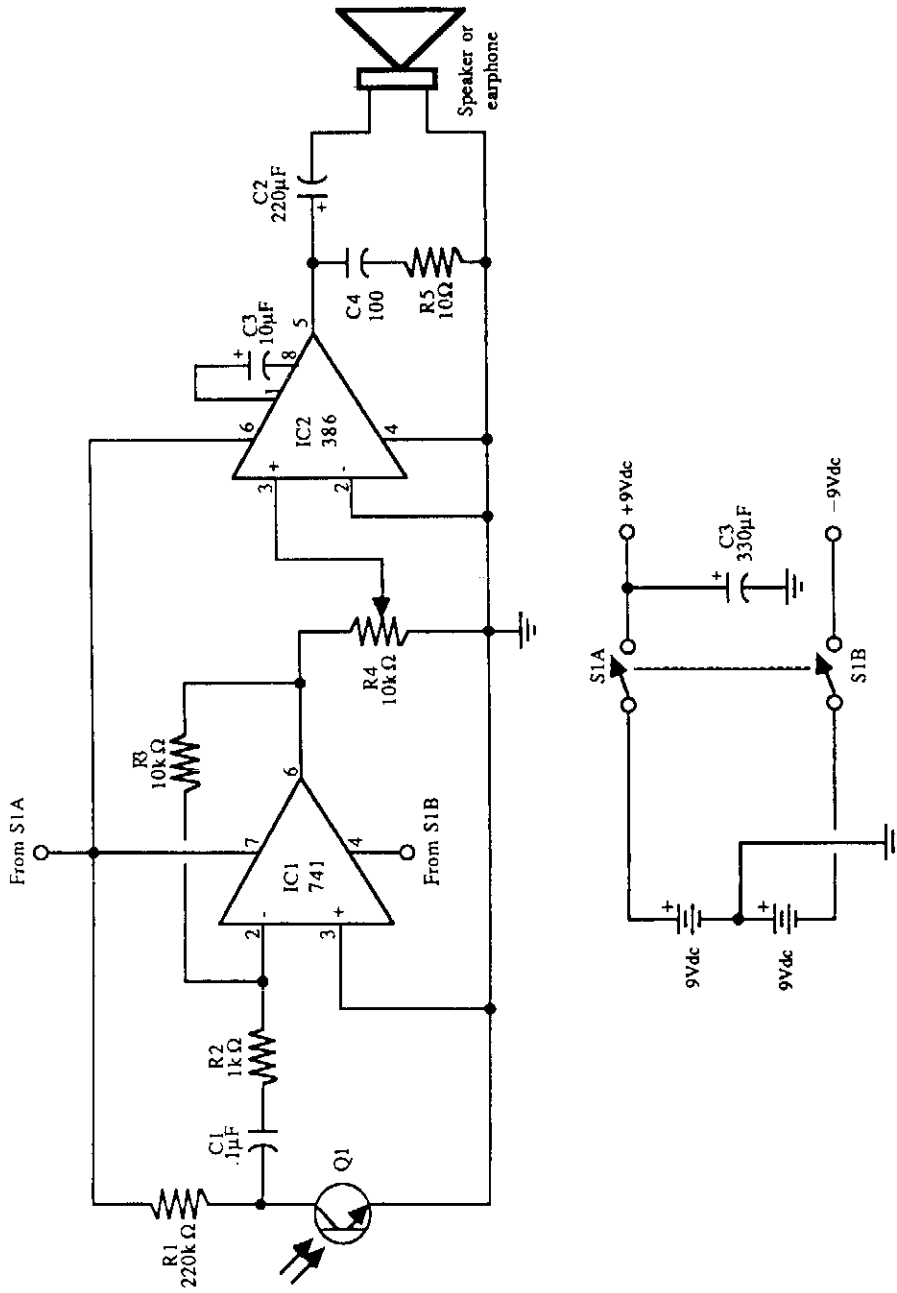
Note: With components show, center frequency is 40.31 kHz; replace R1 with 100K pot to adjust center frequency.

Calculate center frequency using the formula:  $f = \frac{1.44}{C3(R1 + 2R2)}$

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Fig. 46-4

## IR LASER LIGHT DETECTOR

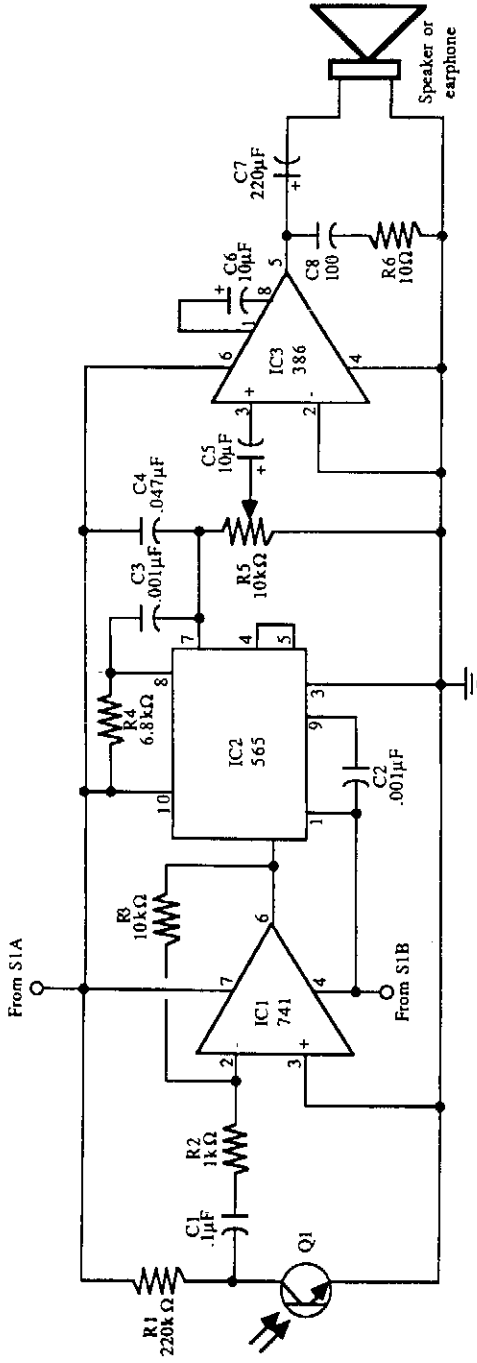


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**Fig. 46-5**

The universal laser light detector. The output of the LM386 audio amplifier can be connected to a small 8-Ω speaker or earphone. Two 9-V batteries provide power. Decrease R1 to lower sensitivity; increase R3 to increase gain of the op amp (avoid very high gain or the op amp might oscillate). Q1 is an infrared phototransistor.

PLL IR LASER LIGHT RECEIVER



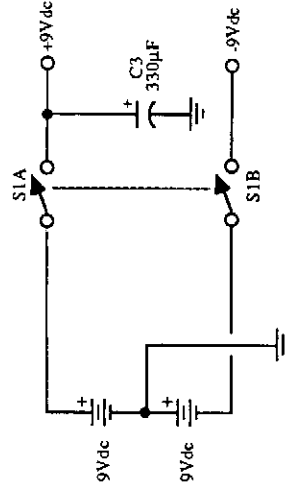
Notes:

Replace R4 with 10k pot to vary center tuning frequency of 565. OK to use other PLL chip.

Increase overall gain of circuit by increasing R3 (up to 1MΩ).

With components shown, center free-running frequency of 565 PLL is 39.75kHz.

Calculate PLL free-running frequency with the formula:  $f = \frac{1}{3.7 R4C2}$  R in kΩ; C in µF

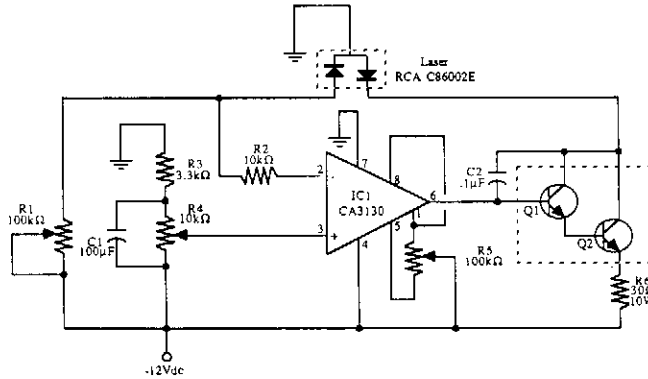


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Fig. 46-6

Circuit schematics for the 555-based PLL laser light PFM receiver. Although R4 is shown as a resistor, you might want to substitute it with a 10-kΩ precision potentiometer so that you can "dial in" the center frequency of the transmitter. Experiment with the value of C<sub>1</sub> for the best high-frequency response. Notice that circuit is functionally identical to the laser light detector/receiver shown in the figure, but with the addition of the 565.

## OP-AMP DIODE LASER DRIVER



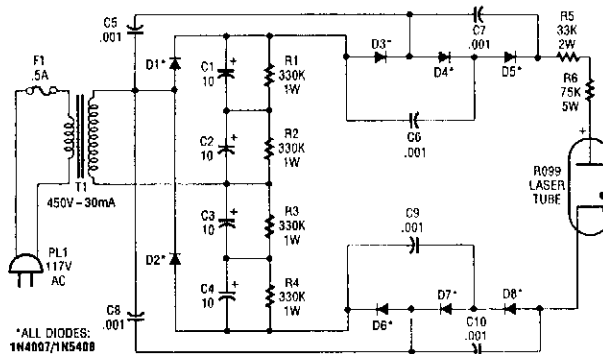
**Fig. 46-7**

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This circuit is one way to automatically adjust drive current using a discrete op amp. Use the transistors specified or replace them with a suitable Darlington power transistor (such as TIP 120).

- |        |  |
|--------|--|
| IC1    | RCA CA 313 operational amplifier       |
| R1, R5 | 100-kΩ potentiometer                   |
| R2     | 10-kΩ resistor                         |
| R3     | 3.3-kΩ potentiometer                   |
| R4     | 10-kΩ potentiometer                    |
| R6     | 30-Ω, 10-W resistor                    |
| C1     | 100-μF electrolytic capacitor          |
| C2     | 0.1-μF disc capacitor                  |
| Q1     | 2N2101 transistor                      |
| Q2     | 2N3585 transistor                      |
| Laser  | RCA C86002 (or equivalent laser diode) |

## LASER dc SUPPLY

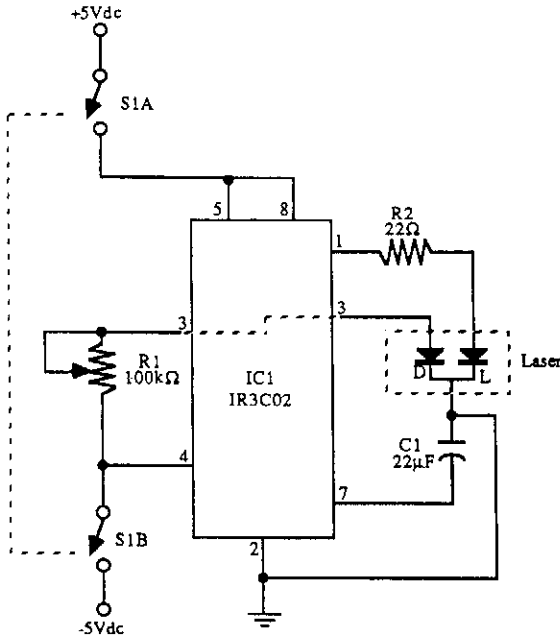


**Fig. 46-8**

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The supply provides about 6 kVdc when open circuited, dropping to around 1375 Vdc when loaded. The R099 is a laser tube.

## IC LASER DIODE DRIVER

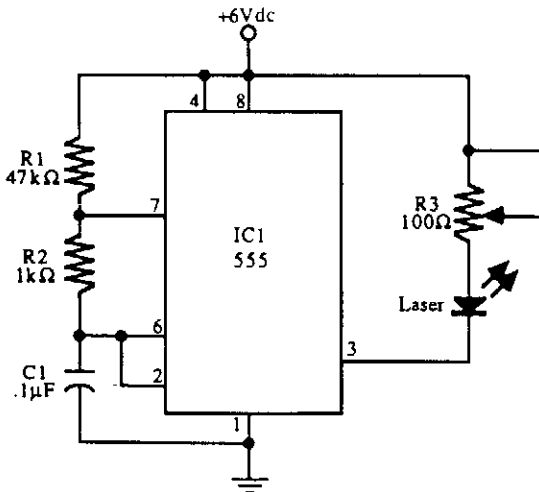


- IC Sharp IR3C02 laser diode driver IC
- R1 100-k $\Omega$  resistor
- R2 22- $\Omega$  resistor
- C1 22- $\mu$ F electrolytic capacitor
- S1 DPDT switch
- Misc. Double heterostructure laser diode (such as Sharp LT020), heatsink

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Fig. 46-9

## PULSED DOUBLE-HETEROSTRUCTURE LASER DRIVER



- IC1 555 timer IC
- R1 47-k $\Omega$  resistor
- R2 1-k $\Omega$  resistor
- R3 100-k $\Omega$  potentiometer
- C1 0.1- $\mu$ F disc capacitor
- Misc. Double heterostructure laser diode, heatsink

All resistors are 5 to 10% tolerance,  $\frac{1}{4}$  W. All capacitors are 10 to 20% tolerance, rated 35 V or more.

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Fig. 46-10

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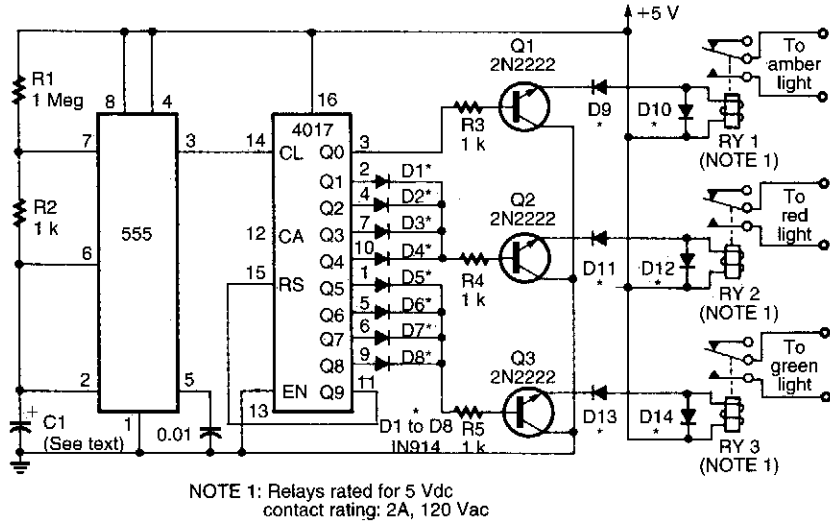
## Light-Controlled Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Traffic Light-Sequencer Circuit  
Tachometer Adapter  
Sun-Tracking Circuit for Solar Arrays  
Optical Fringe Counter  
Low-Noise Light Sensor with dc Servo  
Photodiode Amplifier  
Light-Switched LED Blinker  
Single-Supply Photodiode Amplifier  
Light-Controlled Monostable  
Darkness Monitor  
Programmable Light-Activated Relay  
Traffic Light Controller  
Colorimeter  
Eight Decade Light Meter  
LED Lightwave Communications Transmitter  
LED Lightwave Receiver  
Solar Power Supply  
Solar Power Supply with Linear Regulator  
Photodiode Log Converter/Transmitter  
Rechargeable Solar Power for Sun Tracker

## TRAFFIC LIGHT-SEQUENCER CIRCUIT

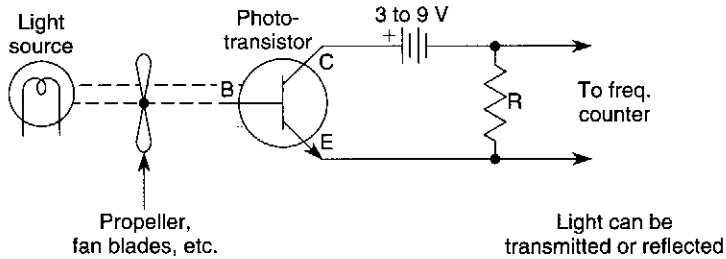


**Fig. 47-1**

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This circuit uses a 555 timer to drive a 4017 counter. The counter outputs drive transistor relay drivers. Time lights "on" can be proportioned by changing connections of outputs of counter.

## TACHOMETER ADAPTER



**Fig. 47-2**

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Use of a phototransistor and light source can enable a frequency counter to act as a tachometer:

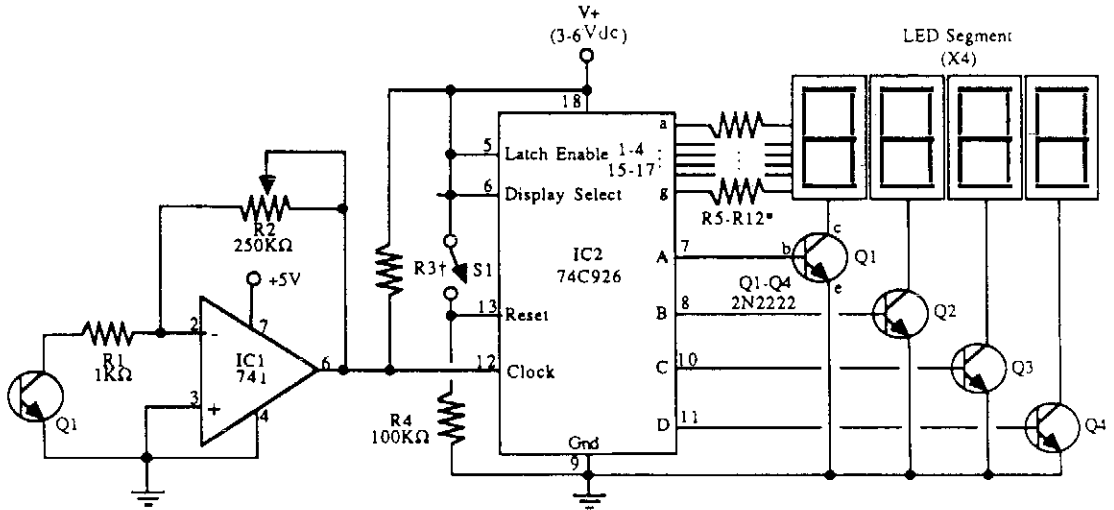
$$RPM = 60 \times \frac{\text{Frequency Counter Reading Hz}}{\# \text{ Blades or Spokes}}$$

The light source is interrupted by the number of propeller blades, fan blades, spokes, or other marking. *R* can be anywhere from 1 to 100 kΩ. Try several values for best results.





## OPTICAL FRINGE COUNTER



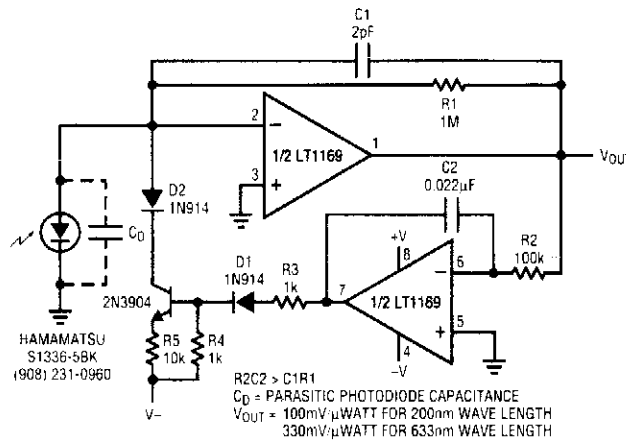
\* Not required if +V is 4V or less  
 † Optional, 10KΩ to 10MΩ, for sensitivity

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**Fig. 47-4**

For work with interferometer and optical experiments, this fringe counter can be useful. Photo transistor Q1 provides light and dark sensing. As the sensor is moved across the fringe pattern alternate light and dark areas translate to an electrical waveform. This is amplified by IC1 and counted by IC2. A Schmitt trigger circuit can be added, if desired.

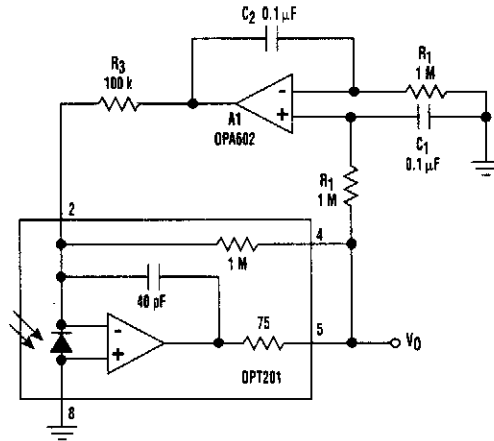
## LOW-NOISE LIGHT SENSOR WITH dc SERVO



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**Fig. 47-5**

## PHOTODIODE AMPLIFIER

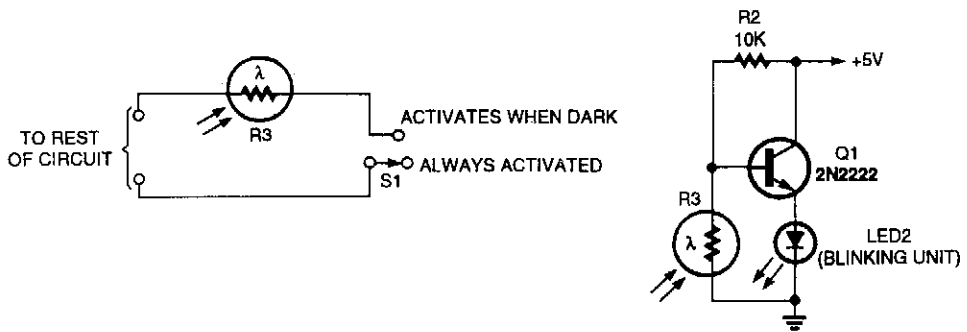


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Fig. 47-6

A photodiode amplifier combined with a dc-restoration circuit will reject low-frequency ambient background light, easing measurement of a light signal.

## LIGHT-SWITCHED LED BLINKER

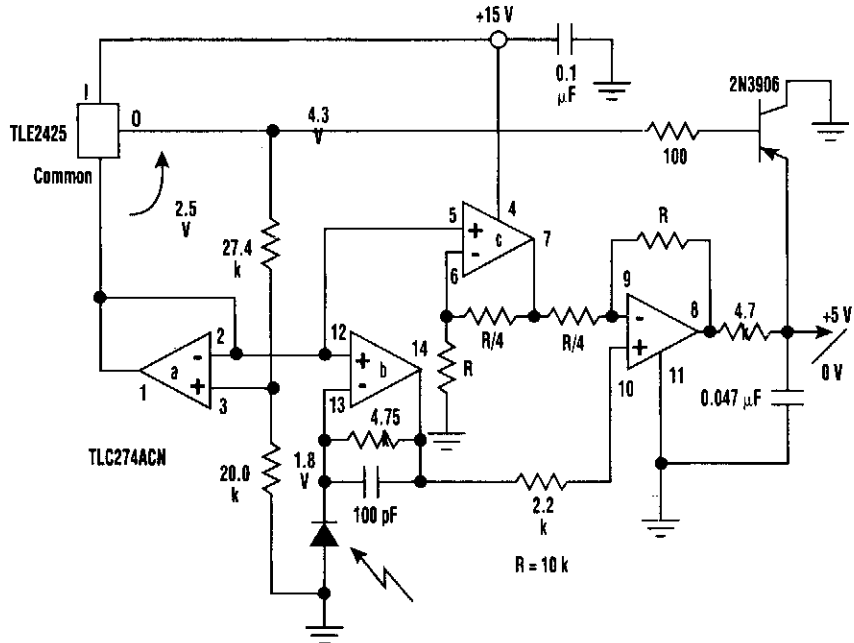


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Fig. 47-7

This circuit can be used to flash an LED during periods of darkness. Use it for burglar alarm simulators for boats, docks, autos, etc.

## SINGLE-SUPPLY PHOTODIODE AMPLIFIER

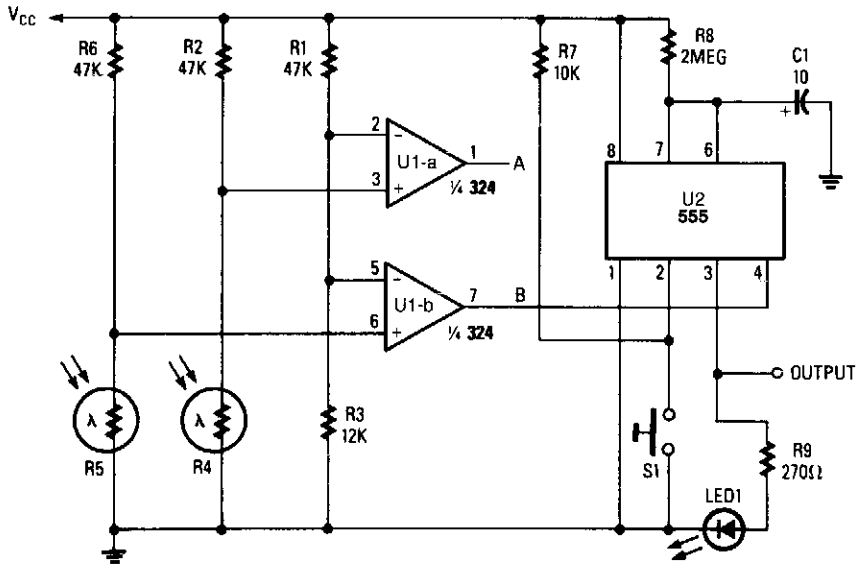


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 47-8

This circuit provides a reverse-bias operating point and output voltage offset and uses a single-polarity power supply. The floating reference voltage from TLE2425 serves to bias the diode in a reverse-polarity mode. It also provides a clamping level at the output. Consequently, linear response to illumination is maintained for a 5-V range from dark current to full sunlight conditions.

## LIGHT-CONTROLLED MONOSTABLE

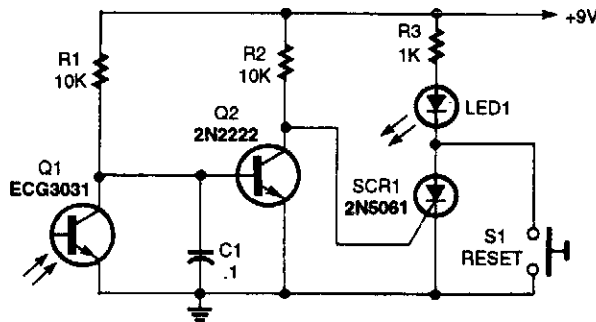


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Fig. 47-9

The light-controlled monostable was produced by combining a 555 monostable multivibrator with a pair of light-controlled comparators. The circuit can be used to enable the operation of the load device, depending on the time of day. During the daylight hours, the timer U2, is disabled, and so produces no output. However, during the nighttime hours, U2 is enabled by the output of U1-b so that pressing S1 initiates a timing cycle, which activates LED1 for a time determined by R8 and C1.

## DARKNESS MONITOR

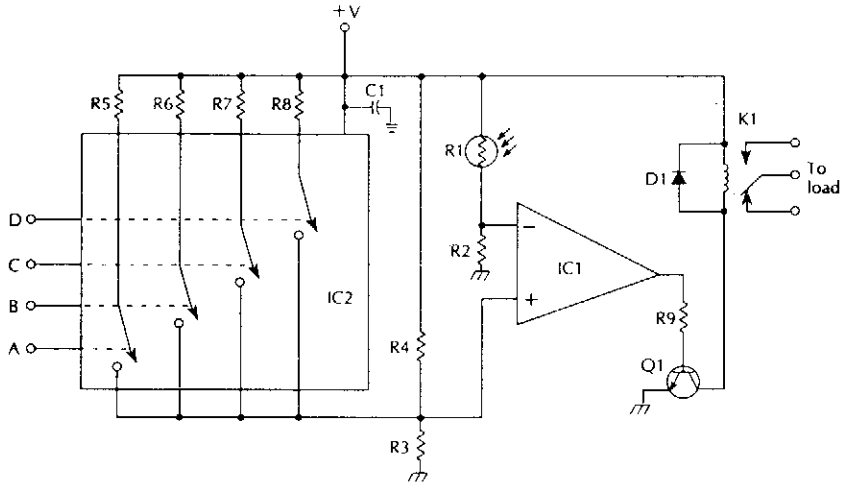


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Fig. 47-10

When light strikes detector Q1, Q2 is cut off, allowing bias to reach SCR1, triggering SCR1 and lighting LED1. S1 resets the circuit.

## PROGRAMMABLE LIGHT-ACTIVATED RELAY



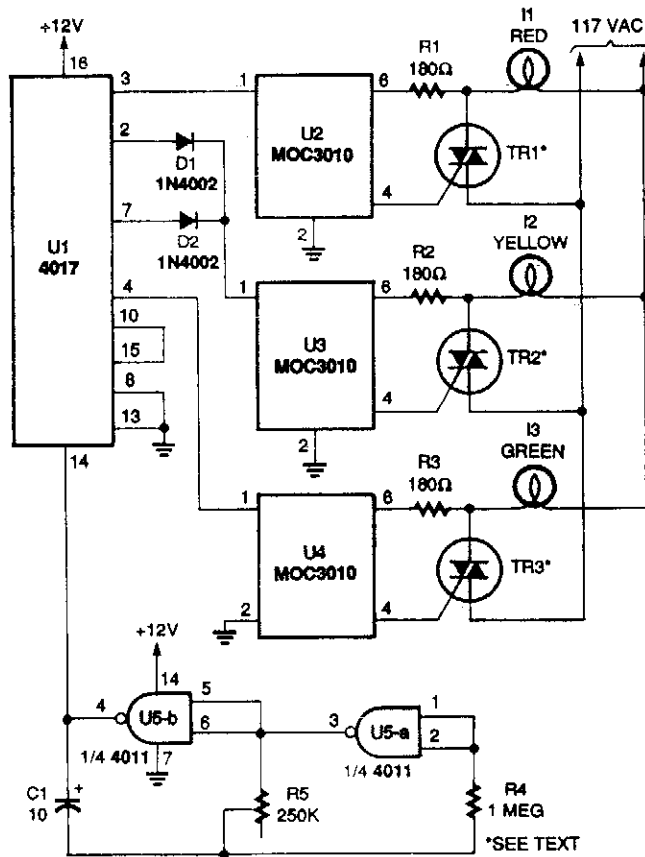
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**Fig. 47-11**

Digital inputs A, B, C, D select different light levels by varying the value of bridge circuit resistance  $R_4$ .

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| IC1    | 741 op amp                                  |
| IC2    | CD4066 quad bilateral switch                |
| Q1     | NPN transistor (2N2222, 2N3904, or similar) |
| D1     | diode (1N4002, or similar)                  |
| C1     | 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor                      |
| R1     | photoresistor                               |
| R2, R3 | 390-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor          |
| R4, R5 | 1-M $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor            |
| R6     | 820-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor          |
| R7     | 470-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor          |
| R8     | 270-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor          |
| R9     | 100-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor          |
| K1     | relay to suit load                          |

## TRAFFIC LIGHT CONTROLLER



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Fig. 47-12

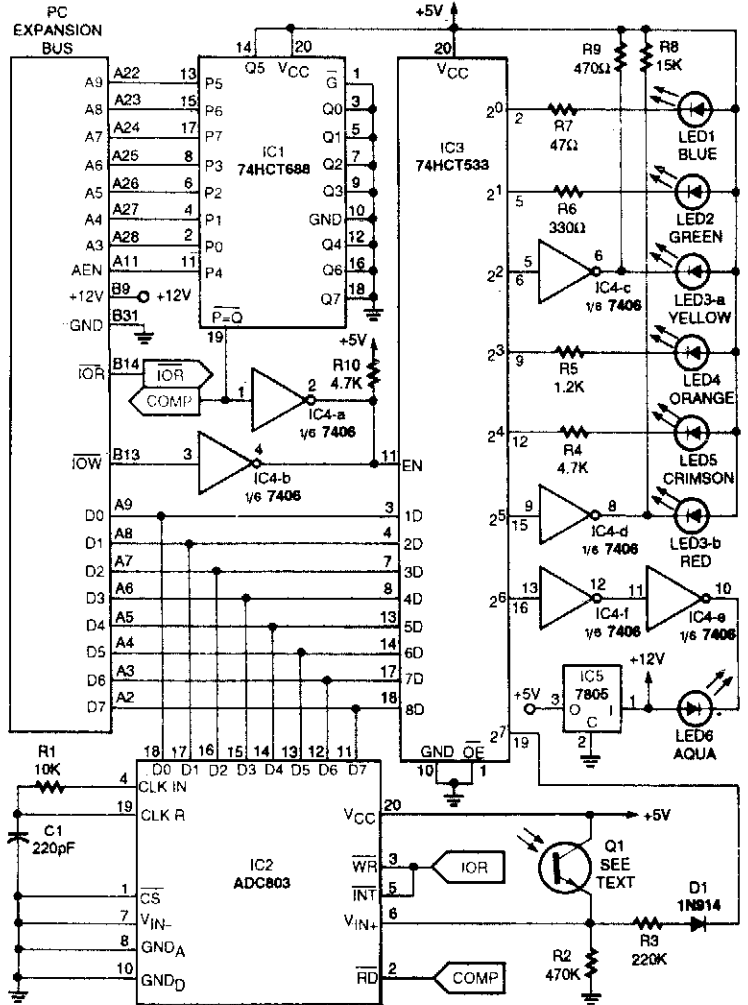
Oscillator U5A-B drives a 4017 divide-by-10 counter. The first output of U1 appears at pin 3, which supplies a positive voltage to U2, a MOC 3010 optocoupler/triac-driver IC, turning it and triac TR1 on. That lights I1, the red lamp. The second output appears at pin 2 and passes through D1 to the second MOC 3010, U3, thereby lighting the yellow lamp, I2. The third output at pin 4 turns on U4 and the green lamp, I3. The fourth output at pin 7 travels through D2 and into U3 to light the yellow lamp, I2, again.

If you would like the traffic-light system to follow the normal sequence of green, yellow, and red, make the following circuit changes: Disconnect pins 10 and 15 of U1 from each other. Remove D1 and D2 and connect pin 2 of U1 to pin 1 of U3. Then connect pins 7 and pins 15 of U1 together. Use U2 to drive I3 (the green light) and U4 for I1 (the red light).

# COLORIMETER

**TABLE 1—LED COLORS AND CODES**

| LED    | Wave-length | Color   | Activation Value |
|--------|-------------|---------|------------------|
| LED1   | 470 nm      | Blue    | $2^0=1$          |
| LED2   | 560 nm      | Green   | $2^1=2$          |
| LED3-a | 590 nm      | Yellow  | $2^2=4$          |
| LED3-b | 700 nm      | Red     | $2^3=8$          |
| LED4   | 630 nm      | Orange  | $2^4=16$         |
| LED5   | 665 nm      | Crimson | $2^5=32$         |
| LED6   | 482 nm      | Aqua    | $2^6=64$         |



## COLORIMETER (Cont.)

### LISTING 1—CALIBRATION PROGRAM

```
10 'CALIBRAT.BAS calibration program
20 CLS:KEY OFF:N=0:ADR=512:OPEN"R",1,"CAL1",16:OPEN"r",2,"cal2",24
30 FIELD 1,2AS B$,2AS G$,2AS Y$,2AS O$,2AS C$,2AS R$,2AS A$,2AS AG$
40 FIELD 2,24AS ID$
50 PRINT "reference number",N+1:OUT ADR,255:BEEP:INPUT "Enter Name of Standard
or 'E' To End";TEMPID$
60 IF TEMPID$="E" OR TEMPID$="e" THEN N=0: GOTO 200
70 IF TEMPID$="n" THEN INPUT"enter n to redo ",N:N=N-1:GOTO 50
80 N=N+1:FOR H=0 TO 7:K=0:IF H<7 THEN Z=2^H ELSE Z=194
90 OUT ADR,Z:FOR I=1 TO 500:NEXT I
100 FOR J=1 TO 50:K=K+INP(ADR):NEXT J
110 IF H=0 THEN LSET B$=MKI$(K)
120 IF H=1 THEN LSET G$=MKI$(K)
130 IF H=2 THEN LSET Y$=MKI$(K)
140 IF H=3 THEN LSET O$=MKI$(K)
150 IF H=4 THEN LSET C$=MKI$(K)
160 IF H=5 THEN LSET R$=MKI$(K)
170 IF H=6 THEN LSET A$=MKI$(K)
180 IF H=7 THEN LSET AG$=MKI$(K)
190 NEXT H:LSET ID$=TEMPID$:PUT 1,N:PUT 2,N:CLS:GOTO 50
200 N=N+1:GET #1,N:GET #2,N:IF N>(LOF(1)/16) THEN END
210 B=CVI(B$):G=CVI(G$):Y=CVI(Y$):O=CVI(O$):C=CVI(C$):R=CVI(R$):A=CVI(A$):
AG=CVI(AG$)
220 PRINT N, ID$:GOTO 200
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### LISTING 2—IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

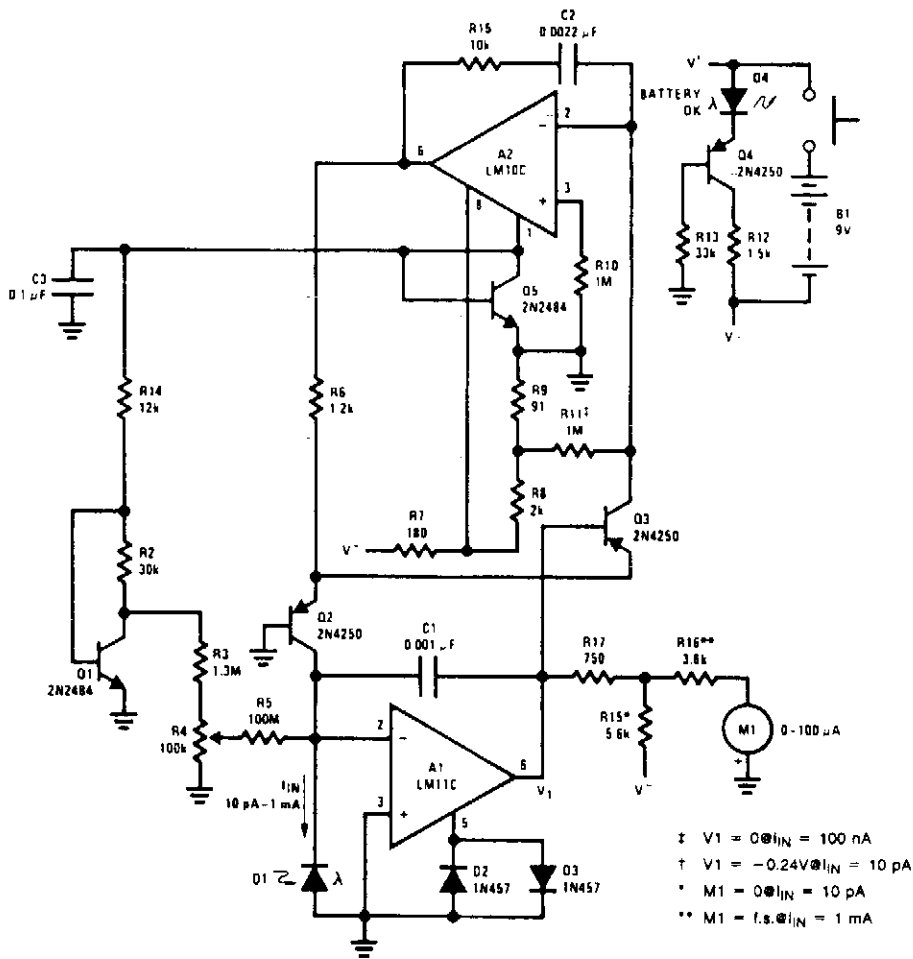
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1 'IDENTIFY.BAS identification program
10 ADR=512:OUT ADR,255:PRINT:INPUT "Hit Enter To Scan/Identify Unknown
Color":A
20 IF A=9 THEN RUN"fcsl"
30 ERP=1E+20:OPEN"R",1,"cal1",16
40 FOR H=0 TO 7:K=0:IF H<7 THEN Z=2^H ELSE Z=194
50 OUT ADR,Z: FOR I=1 TO 500:NEXT I
60 FOR J=1 TO 50:K=K+INP(ADR):NEXT J
70 IF H=0 THEN BU=K ELSE IF H=1 THEN GU=K ELSE IF H=2 THEN YU=K
80 IF H=3 THEN OU=K ELSE IF H=4 THEN CU=K ELSE IF H=5 THEN RU=K
90 IF H=6 THEN AU=K ELSE IF H=7 THEN AGU=K
100 NEXT H:BEEP
110 OUT 512,255:OPEN"r",2,"cal2",24:FIELD 1,2AS B$,2AS G$,2AS Y$,2AS O$,2AS
C$,2 AS R$,2AS A$,2AS AG$:B=LOF(1)/16
120 FOR N=1 TO B:GET #1,N:IF ABS( CVI(B$)-BU)>400 THEN 140
130 ER=(CVI(B$)-BU)^2+(CVI(G$)-GU)^2+(CVI(Y$)-YU)^2+(CVI(O$)-OU)^2+(CVI(C$)-
CU)^2+(CVI(R$)-RU)^2+1*((CVI(A$)-AU)^2)+2*((CVI(AG$)-AGU)^2):IF ER<ERP
THEN ERP= ER:NN=N
140 NEXT N
150 FIELD 2, 24AS ID$: GET #2,NN
160 CLS:PRINT "Best Color Match",ID$:PRINT"Relative Error",ERP:PRINT"reference
number",NN:RUN
```

A hardware/software combination activates. In turn, one of several LEDs emits a portion of the visible spectrum. A phototransistor measures the light reflected by the surface being measured, and an 8-bit analog-to-digital converter (ADC) translates the phototransistor's output into a digital format that the computer can interpret. Seven LEDs (blue, aqua, green, yellow, orange, crimson, and red) provide a range of readings across the visible spectrum. Lack of spectral continuity among adjacent LED colors could skew results, so the circuit provides built-in compensation for this error.

Two simple BASIC programs control the circuit's operation. One allows you to define a set of standards by measuring known color samples and recording the values with an associated name. The other program measures unknown samples and provides the best match with the defined standards, as well as a relative error factor.



## EIGHT-DECADE LIGHT METER



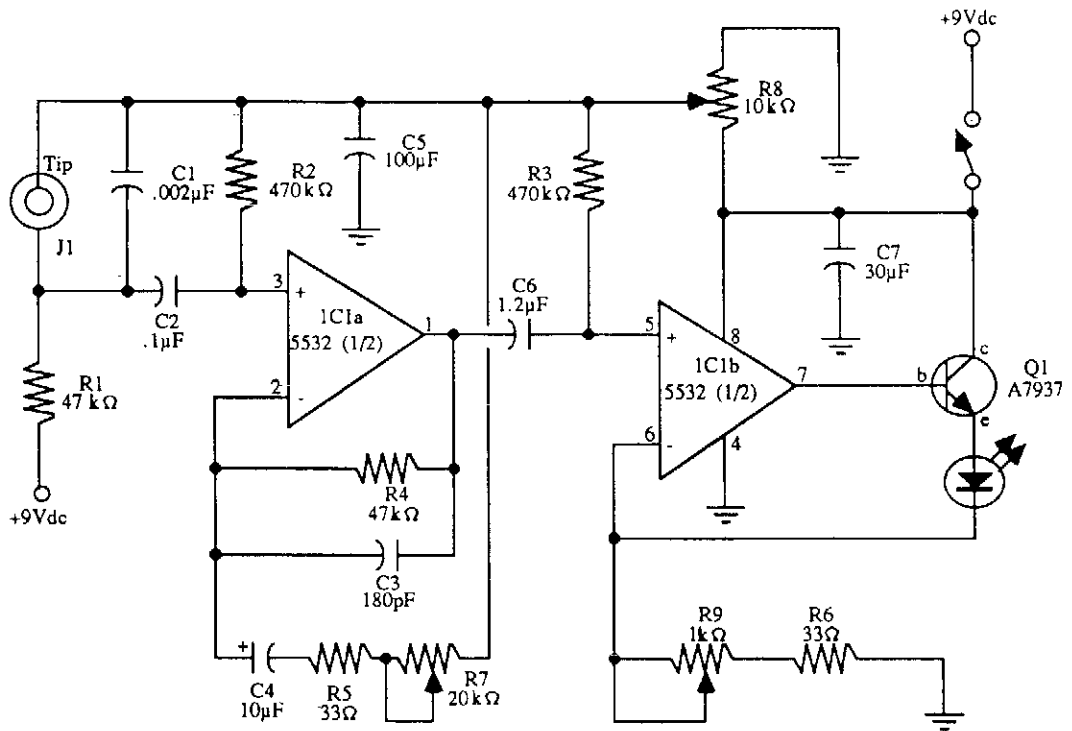
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Fig. 47-14

A logarithmic amplifier is adapted to a battery-powered light meter. An LM10, combined op amp and reference, is used for the second amplifier and to provide the regulated voltage for offsetting the logging circuit and powering the bias-current compensation. This can provide input current resolution of better than  $\pm 2 \text{ pA}$  over 15 to 55° C. Because a meter is the output indicator, there is no need to optimize frequency compensation. Low-cost single transistors are used for logging because the temperature range is limited. The meter is protected from overloads by clamp diodes D2 and D3.

Silicon photodiodes are more sensitive to infrared than visible light, so an appropriate filter must be used for photography. Alternately, gallium-arsenide-phosphide diodes with suppressed IR response are becoming available.

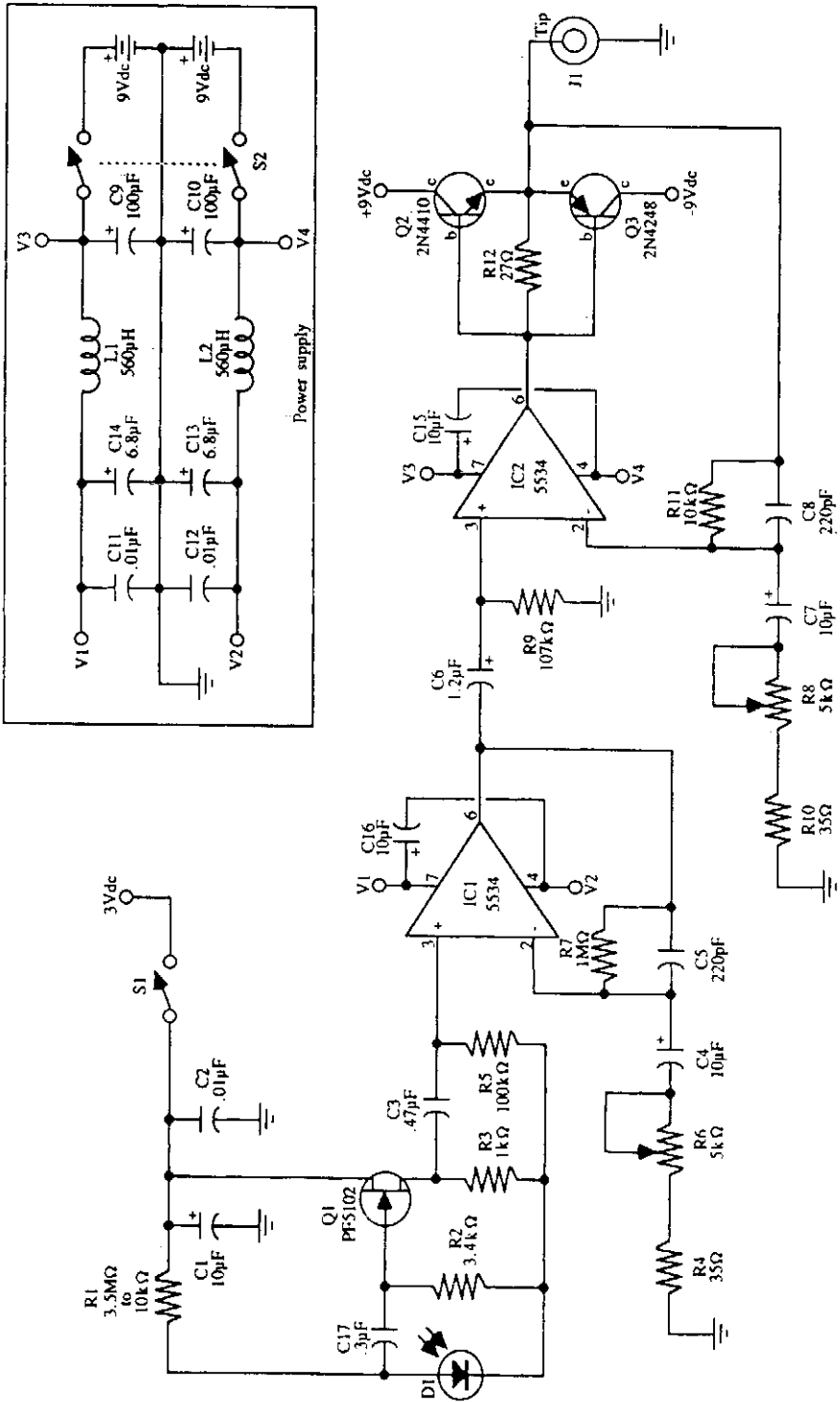
## LED LIGHTWAVE COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMITTER



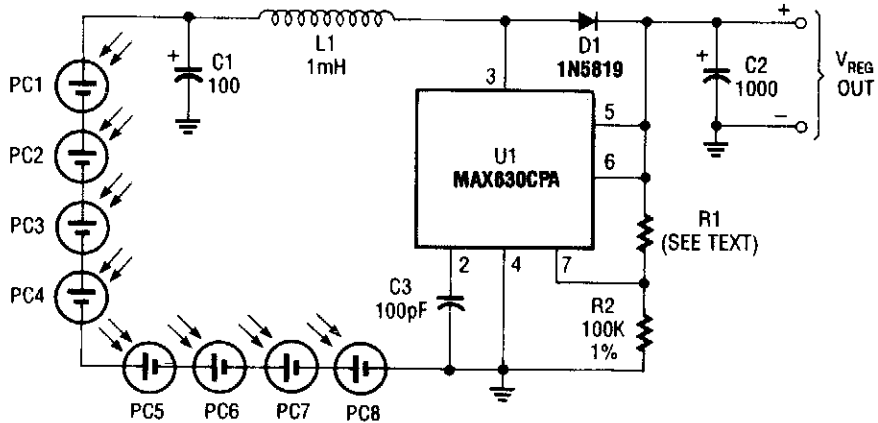
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|--------|--|
| R1, R4 | 47 kΩ  |
| R2, R3 | 470 kΩ   |
| R5, R6 | 33 Ω   |
| R7, R9 | 1 kΩ potentiometer                                       |
| R8     | 10 kΩ potentiometer                                      |
| C1     | 0.002 μF disc  |
| C2     | 0.1 μF disc  |
| C3     | 180 pF disc  |
| C4     | 10 μF polarized electrolytic                             |
| C5     | 100 μF polarized electrolytic                            |
| C6     | 1.2 μF polarized electrolytic                            |
| C7     | 30 μF polarized electrolytic                             |
| IC1    | 5532 low-noise amplifier IC                              |
| Q1     | A7937 transistor   |
| LED1   | High-output LED (see text)                               |
| J1     | Miniature phone jack (for electret condenser microphone) |
| S1     | SPST switch  |

All resistors are 5 to 10 percent tolerance, 1/4 watt. All capacitors are 10 to 20 percent tolerance, rated at 35 volts or more.

# LED LIGHTWAVE RECEIVER



### SOLAR POWER SUPPLY

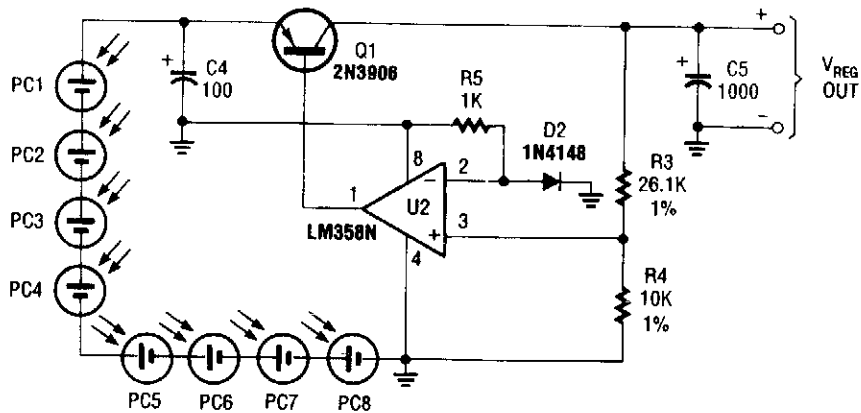


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Fig. 47-17

This circuit delivers either 4.8 or 7.2 V regulated at 15 mA with a 3-V input from a bank of photocells. R1 should be 453 k $\Omega$  for a 7.2-V output and 274 k $\Omega$  for a 4.8-Vdc output. Regulator efficiency is around 70%. This should be considered when selecting suitable solar cells.

### SOLAR POWER SUPPLY WITH LINEAR REGULATOR

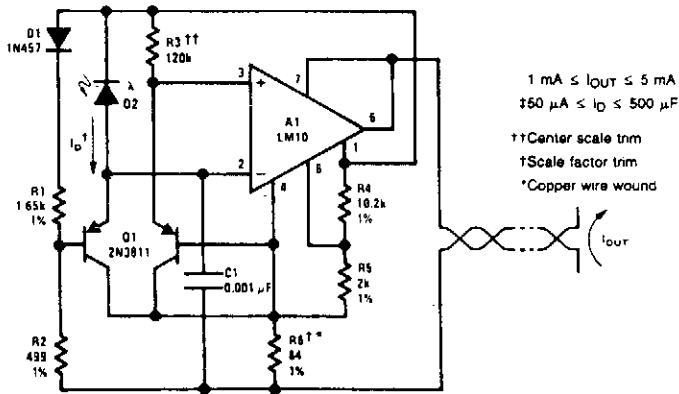


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Fig. 47-18

This regulator delivers a constant 2.4 Vdc for powering small devices that run on two AA cells, such as cassettes and small radios. Regulator drop is about 0.3 volt. This should be considered when choosing solar cells. Load current is typically 125 mA.

## PHOTODIODE LOG CONVERTER/TRANSMITTER

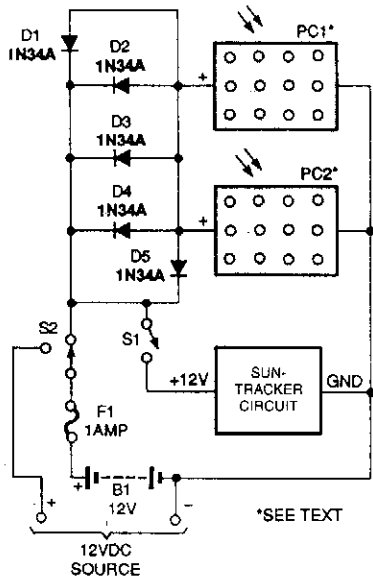


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Fig. 47-19

A logarithmic conversion is made on the output current of a photodiode to compress a four-decade, light-intensity variation into a standard transmission range. The circuit is balanced at mid-range, where R3 should be chosen so that the current through it equals the photodiode current. The log-conversion slope is temperature compensated with R6. Setting the reference output to 1.22 V gives a current through R2 that is proportional to absolute temperature because of D1 so that this level-shift voltage matches the temperature coefficient of R6. C1 has been added so that large-area photodiodes with high capacitance do not cause frequency instabilities.

## RECHARGEABLE SOLAR POWER FOR SUN TRACKER



This application circuit provides rechargeable solar power for the sun tracker, as well as for another 12-volt device. PC1 and PC2 can be mounted on sun tracker assembly.

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Fig. 47-20

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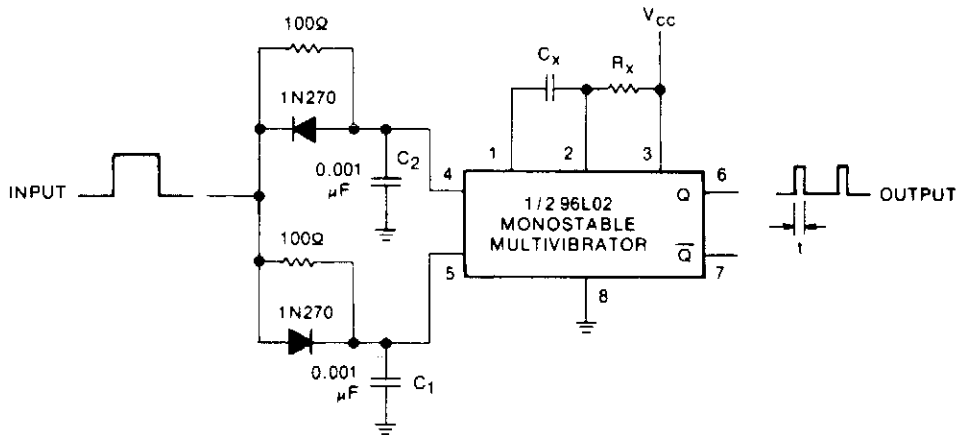
## Logic Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Logic State Change Indicator  
Combinatorial Logic Multiplexer  
AND Gate  
Relay "AND" Circuit  
Relay "OR" Circuit

## LOGIC STATE-CHANGE INDICATOR



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**Fig. 48-1**

A circuit consisting of a one-shot multivibrator IC, a pair of diodes, and some resistors and capacitors delivers an output pulse when the logic state at its input terminal changes—either from high to low or from low to high. Thus, this circuit can serve as a state-change indicator or as a frequency doubler for a square-wave input.

Any monostable can be used; the arrangement in the figure achieves low power dissipation (80 milliwatts) by using half of a Fairchild 96L02 transistor-transistor-logic dual multivibrator. The 96L02 is triggered when pins 3 and 5 are high and pin 4 changes state from low to high. It also triggers if pin 3 is high, pin 4 is low.

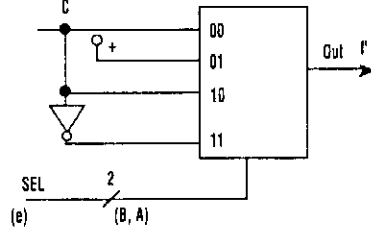
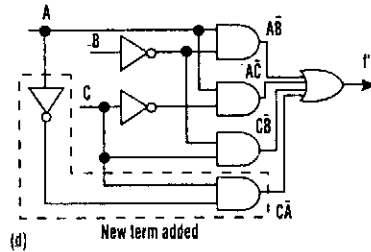
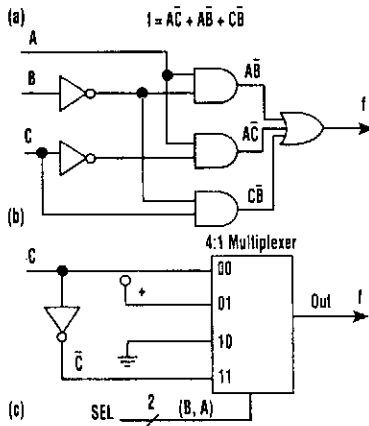
The circuit shown here allows these conditions to be satisfied with a single input terminal, plus the fixed bias on pin 3; the arrangement of resistors, capacitors, and diodes automatically biases pin 5 high when transmitting a rising transition to pin 4 and biases pin 4 low when applying a falling transition to pin 5.

For example, if the input terminal has been low and then goes high, C1 charges through a forward-biased diode that shunts its 100-Ω resistor; therefore pin 5 goes high immediately. C2 charges through 100 Ω; however, because its diode is back-biased, the rising level is not applied to pin 4 until pin 5 is already high. Therefore, the conditions for triggering an output pulse are satisfied.

The output pulse duration,  $t$ , is set by the value of time constant  $R_x C_x$ .

## COMBINATORIAL LOGIC MULTIPLEXER

| TRUTH TABLE |   |   |              |
|-------------|---|---|--------------|
| C           | B | A | Function out |
| 0           | 0 | 0 | 0            |
| 0           | 0 | 1 | 1            |
| 0           | 1 | 0 | 0            |
| 0           | 1 | 1 | 1            |
| 1           | 0 | 0 | 1            |
| 1           | 0 | 1 | 1            |
| 1           | 1 | 0 | 0            |
| 1           | 1 | 1 | 0            |

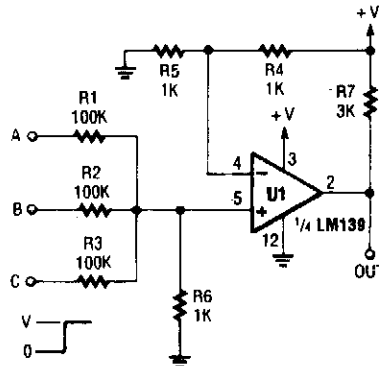


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 48-2

Combinatorial logic can be implemented simply by using a multiplexer instead of logic gates. Shown are the truth table (A), its logic circuit (B), and the multiplexer connections (C). If the logic circuitry is changed (D), the multiplexer would be reconnected (E).

## AND GATE



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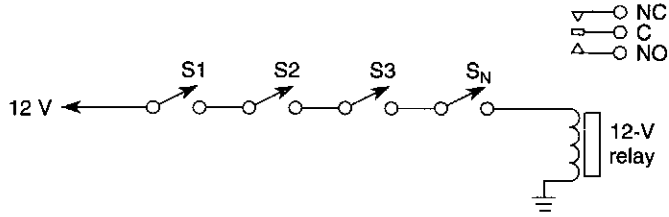
Fig. 48-3

An LM139 is configured as an AND gate. (TTL or CMOS is usually used). With this idea, you can use leftover IC sections and save an extra package in some instances.



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### RELAY "AND" CIRCUIT



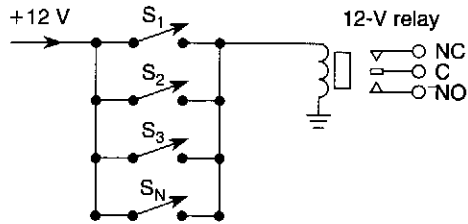
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 48-4

All switches S1 through S<sub>n</sub> must be closed to operate the relay. If one opens, the relay drops out. Use this circuit for burglar alarms, etc.

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### RELAY "OR" CIRCUIT



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 48-5

Closing any switch S1, S2, S3, or S<sub>n</sub> will actuate the relay ( $N = \text{any number}$ ). Use this circuit for burglar alarms, etc.

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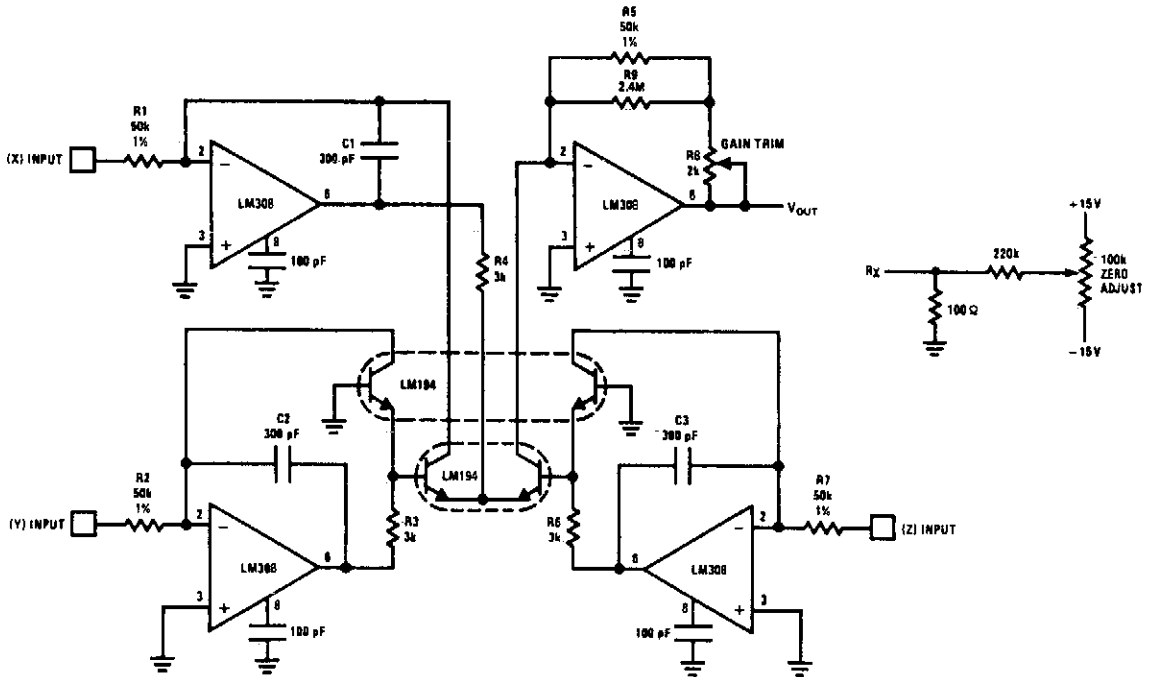
## Mathematical Circuits

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Low-Cost One-Quadrant Multiplier/Divider  
Low-Cost Accurate Square-Root Circuit  
Low-Cost Accurate Squaring Circuit  
Bridge Linearizing Function  
Square Rooter  
Analog Variable Multiplier/Divider  
Difference of Squares  
Approximation for  $\sin \phi$   
Simple Analog Averaging Circuit  
Simple Analog Multiplier  
 $\Delta\%$  Ratio Computer

## LOW-COST ONE-QUADRANT MULTIPLIER/DIVIDER



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Fig. 49-1

This circuit will produce an output that is proportional to the product of the (X) and (Y) inputs divided by the Z input. All inputs must be positive, limiting operation to one quadrant. For very low level inputs, the offset voltage in the LM308s might create large percentage errors referred to input. A simple scheme for offsetting any of the LM308s to zero is shown in dotted line; the positive input of the appropriate LM308 is simply tied to  $R_x$  instead of ground for zeroing. The summing mode of operation on all inputs allows easy scaling on any or all inputs. Simply set the input resistor equal to  $(V_{in(max)})/(200 \mu A)$ .  $V_{out}$  is equal to:

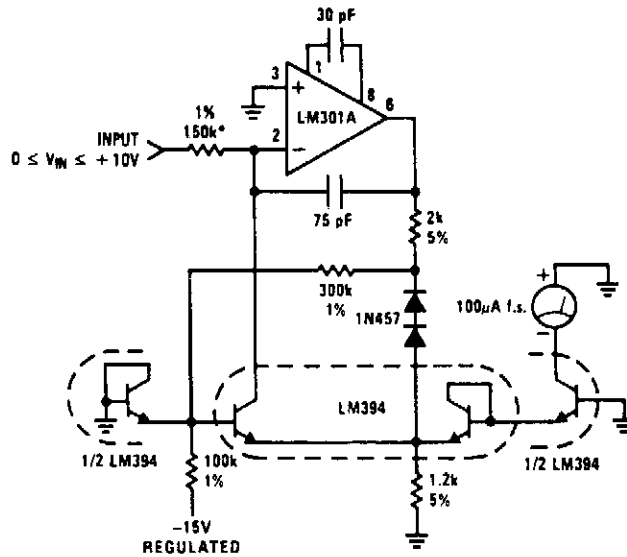
$$V_{out} = \frac{\left(\frac{X}{R_1}\right)\left(\frac{Y}{R_2}\right)(R_5)}{\frac{Z}{R_7}}$$

Input voltages above the supply voltage are allowed because of the summing mode of operation. Several inputs can be summed at X, Y, and Z.

For a simple  $(X) \cdot (Y)$  or  $(X)/Z$  function, the unused input must be tied to the reference voltage. Perturbations in this reference will be seen at the output as scale factor changes, so a stable reference is necessary for precision work. For less critical applications, the unused input can be tied to the positive supply, with

$$R = \frac{V_+}{200 \mu A}$$

## LOW-COST ACCURATE SQUARE-ROOT CIRCUIT



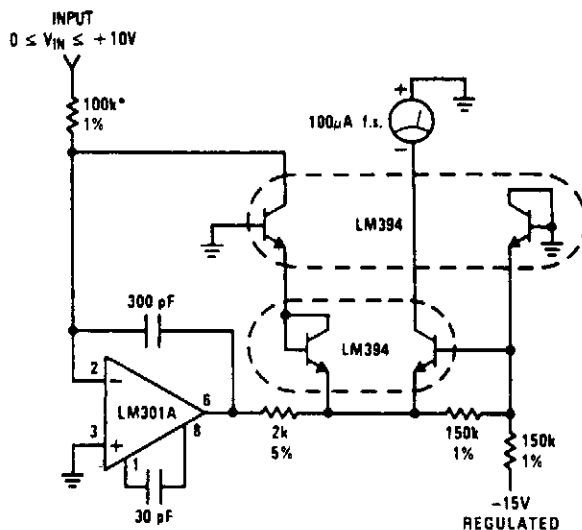
\*Trim for full scale accuracy.

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Fig. 49-2

The circuit will generate a square-root function, accurately and inexpensively. The output is a current that can be used to drive a meter directly or be converted to a voltage with a summing junction current-to-voltage converter. The  $-15\text{-V}$  supply is used as a reference, so it must be stable. A 1% change in the  $-15\text{-V}$  supply will give a  $\frac{1}{2}\%$  shift in output reading. No positive supply is required when an LM301A is used because its inputs can be used at the same voltage as the positive supply (ground). The two 1N457 diodes and the  $300\text{-k}\Omega$  resistor are used to temperature-compensate the current through the diode-connected  $\frac{1}{2}\text{LM394}$ .

## LOW-COST ACCURATE SQUARING CIRCUIT



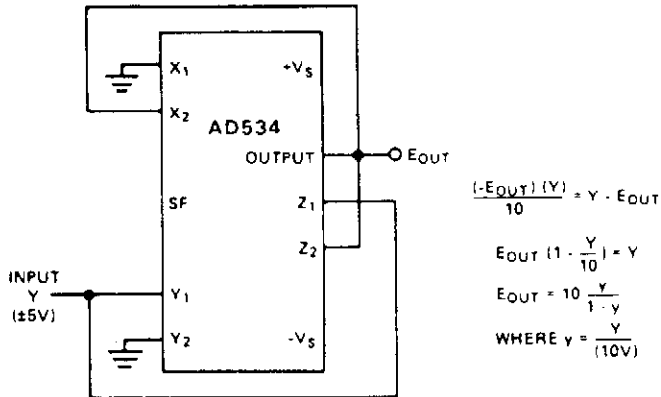
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Fig. 49-3

The circuit shown will square the input signal and deliver the result as an output current. Full-scale input is 10 V, but this can be changed simply by changing the value of the 100-k $\Omega$  input resistor. As in the square root circuit, the -15-V supply is used as the reference. In this case, however, a 1% shift in supply voltage produces a 1% shift in the output signal. The 150-k $\Omega$  resistor across the base-emitter of  $\frac{1}{2}$ LM394 provides slight temperature compensation of the reference current from the -15-V supply. For improved accuracy at low input signal levels, the offset voltage of the LM301A should be zeroed out, and a 100-k $\Omega$  resistor should be inserted in the positive input to provide optimum dc balance.

## BRIDGE LINEARIZING FUNCTION



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**Fig. 49-4**

If one arm of a Wheatstone Bridge varies from its nominal value by a factor,  $(1 + 2x)$ , the voltage or current output of the bridge will be (with appropriate polarities):

$$y \approx \frac{x}{1 + x}$$

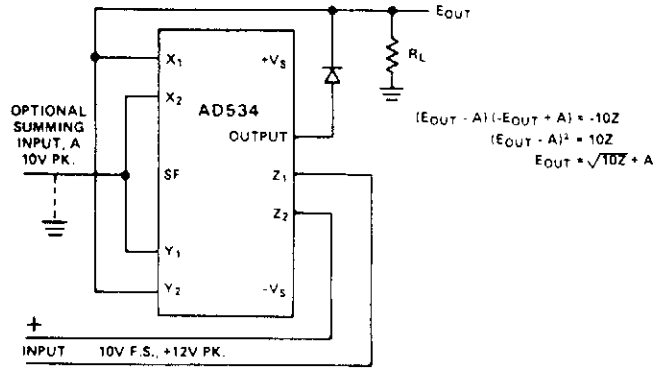
Linear response requires very small  $x$  and, usually, preamplification. The circuit shown here enables large-deviation bridges to be used without losing linearity.

The circuit computes the inverse of the bridge function, i.e.,

$$x \approx \frac{y}{1 + y}$$

Depending on which arm of the bridge varies, it might be necessary to reverse the polarity of the  $z$  connections.

## SQUARE ROOTER

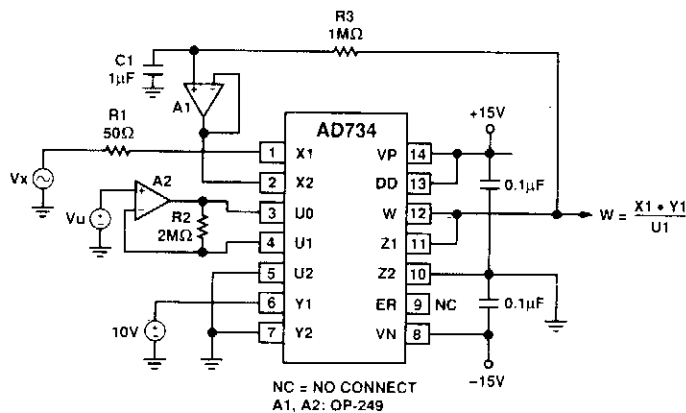


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Fig. 49-5

This illustration shows the connection of the AD534 for square-rooting, with differential inputs. The diode prevents a latching condition—common to this configuration—which would occur if the input momentarily changed polarity. As shown, the output is always positive; it can be changed to a negative output by reversing the diode polarity and interchanging the X inputs. Because the signal input is differential, all combinations of input and output polarities can be realized. If the output circuit does not provide a resistive load to ground, one should be connected to maintain diode conduction. For critical applications, the Z offset can be adjusted for greater accuracy below 1 V.

## ANALOG VARIABLE MULTIPLIER/DIVIDER

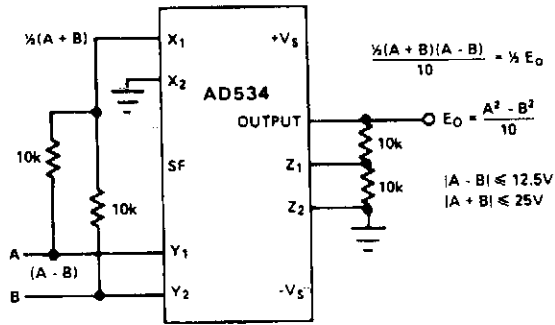


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Fig. 49-6

An output voltage ( $W = X_1 \times Y_1 / U_1$ ) is produced by this multiplier circuit. The AD734 is a four-quadrant multiplier.

## DIFFERENCE OF SQUARES



ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 49-7

A single AD534 can be used to compute the difference of the squares of two input signals. The function can be useful in vector computations, and in weighting the difference of two magnitudes to emphasize the greater nonlinearity.

## APPROXIMATION FOR SIN $\phi$

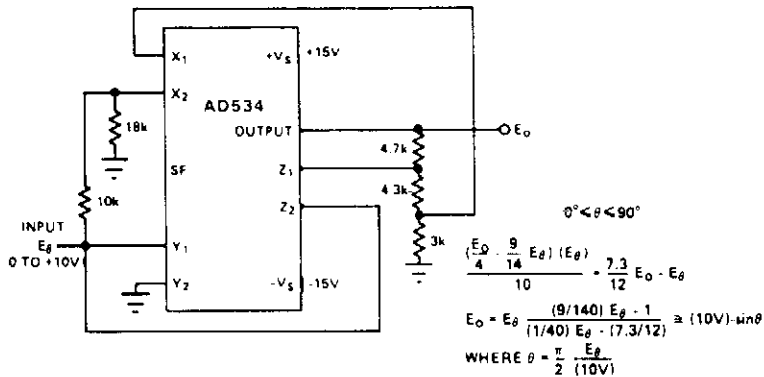


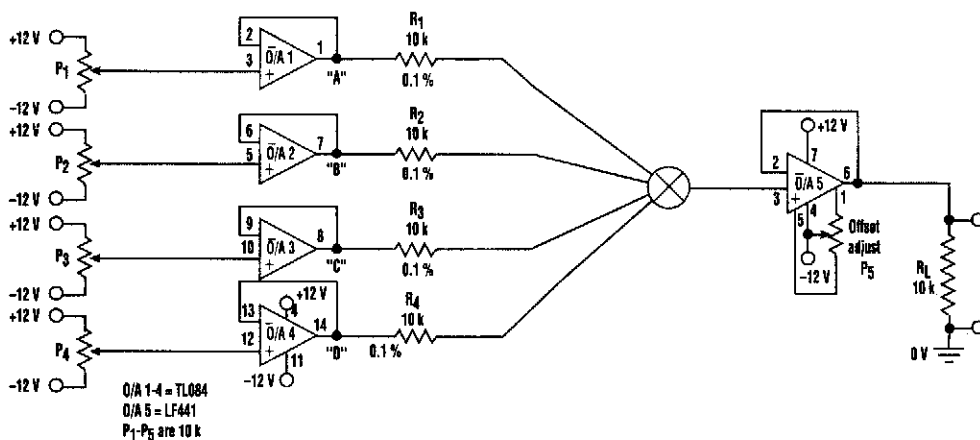
Fig. 49-8

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The AD534 is remarkably easy to use in the implementation of the approximation formulas described in Chapter 2-1 of the *Nonlinear Circuits Handbook*. Many of these involve implicit loops to generate the function and previously required several additional op amps for the addition and subtraction of the various terms. This circuit is an example of what can be done with external resistors only. For  $\phi$  between  $0^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ , the approximation maintains a theoretical accuracy to within 0.5% of full-scale; 0.75% is practical with AD534L and 0.1% resistances were used.



## SIMPLE ANALOG AVERAGING CIRCUIT



| Voltage at points            | TABLE |      |    |       |       |      |       |       |     |
|------------------------------|-------|------|----|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-----|
|                              | "A"   | +5   | +5 | -5    | +1.5  | -1   | +8    | +10   | +10 |
| "B"                          | +5    | -5   | -5 | -3    | -3    | +8   | +10   | +10   | -9  |
| "C"                          | +5    | +5   | +5 | -6    | -5    | -3   | +10   | +10   | +10 |
| "D"                          | +5    | +5   | +5 | +2.5  | -8    | +9   | +9    | +10   | +10 |
| Output across R <sub>L</sub> | +5    | +2.5 | 0  | -1.25 | -4.25 | +5.5 | +9.75 | +5.25 |     |

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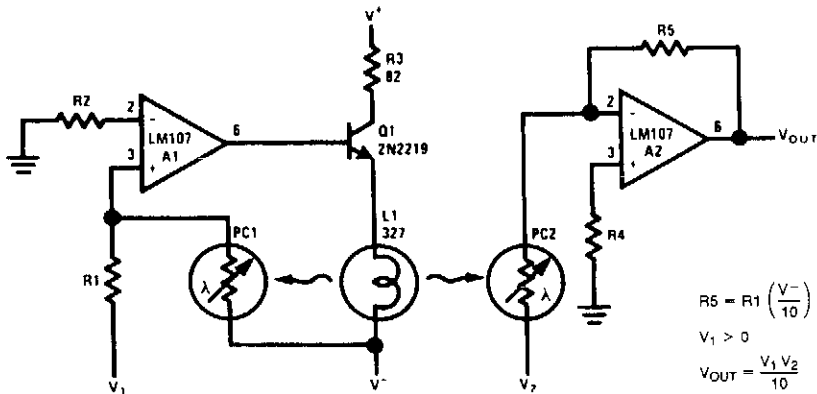
**Fig. 49-9**

At times, an analog circuit that averages rather than sums can be quite handy. You won't usually find this type of circuit in op-amp books, possibly because the op amp is used only as a buffer. For best accuracy, an FET should be used with the offset adjusted out. In addition, the "averaging" resistors (R1 through R4) should be of close tolerance.

Looking at the test circuit, op amps 1 through 4 are used to alleviate interaction between adjustment potentiometers P1 through P4 and so that R1 through R4 see the same low impedance.

The table shows some arbitrarily set voltages and the resulting output voltage across R<sub>L</sub>.

## SIMPLE ANALOG MULTIPLIER



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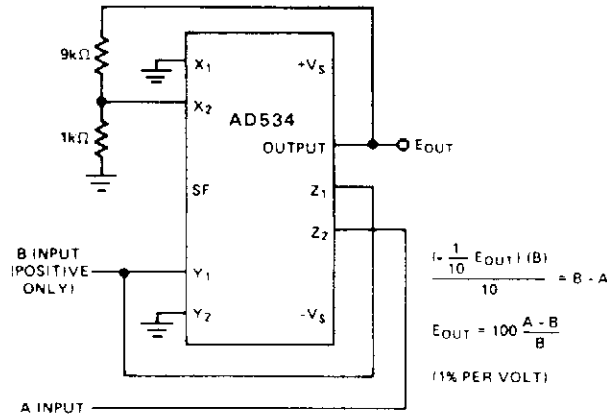
Fig. 49-10

Circuit operation can be understood by considering A2 as a controlled-gain amplifier, amplifying  $V_2$ , whose gain depends on the ratio of the resistance of PC2 to R5 and by considering A1 as a control amplifier, which establishes the resistance of PC2 as a function of  $V_1$ . In this way,  $V_{OUT}$  is a function of both  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

A1, the control amplifier, provides drive for the lamp, L1. When an input voltage,  $V_1$ , is present, L1 is driven by A1 until the current to the summing junction from the negative supply through PC1 is equal to the current to the summing junction from  $V_1$  through R1. Because the negative supply voltage is fixed, this forces the resistance of PC1 to a value that is proportional to R1 and to the ratio of  $V_1$  to  $V_-$ . L1 also illuminates PC2 and, if the photoconductors are matched, causes PC2 to have a resistance equal to PC1.

A2, the controlled gain amplifier, acts as an inverting amplifier whose gain is equal to the ratio of the resistance of PC2 to R5. If R5 is chosen equal to the product of  $R_1$  and  $V_-$ , then  $V_{OUT}$  becomes simply the product of  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ . R5 can be scaled in powers of 10 to provide any required output scale factor.

## Δ% RATIO COMPUTER



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**Fig. 49-11**

The percentage-deviation function is of practical value for many applications in measurement, testing, and control. For example, the output of this circuit might be applied to a pair of biased comparators to stimulate particular actions or displays, depending on whether the gain of a circuit under test were within limits, or deviating by a preset amount in either direction.

The indicated scale factor, 1%/V, is convenient. However, other sensitivities, from 10%/V to 0.1%/V, as required by the application, can be obtained by altering the feedback attenuation ratio, from 1 to 1/100. Gain or attenuation is easily applied to the A signal externally for calibration to the normalized form.

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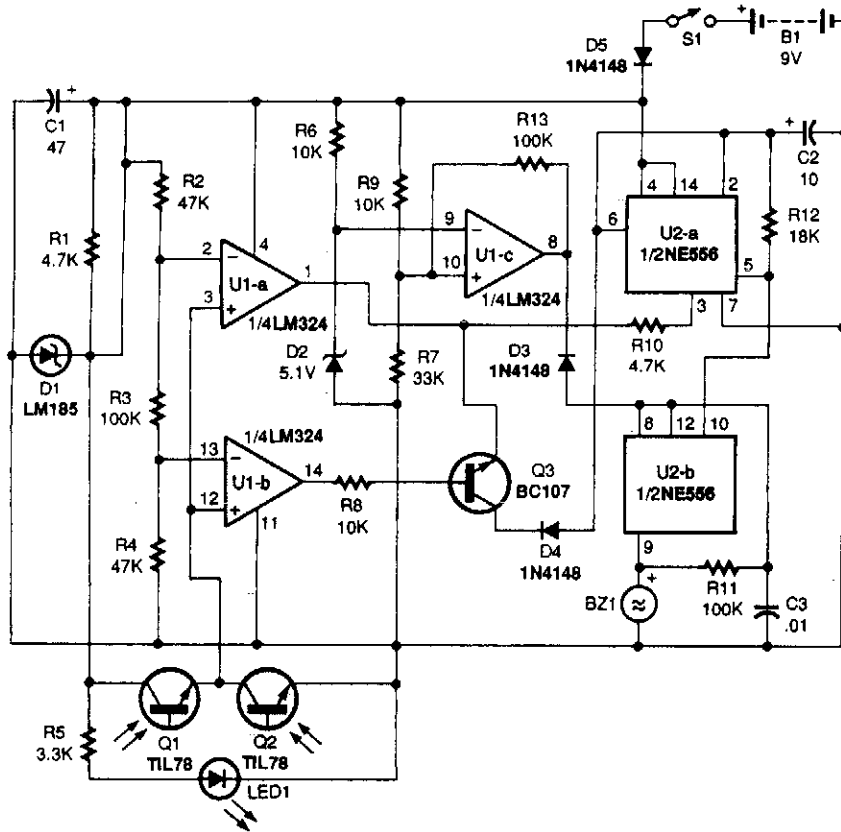
## Measuring and Test Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Electronic Level  
Single-Chip Digital Voltmeter  
Inductance with DVM Measuring Circuit  
Negative Reference Voltage Circuit  
Precision Current Source  
1-kW Power Meter  
Logic Chip Tester  
Power Supply for 10-MHz Frequency Standard  
Three-Terminal Regulator Current Source  
Four-Wire Resistance Measurement Hookup  
Audio Frequency Meter  
ELF Monitor  
Strain-Gage Sensor  
Minute Marker  
Digital Barometer  
Reference Circuit  
Transistor Matching Circuit  
Auto-Ranging Digital Capacitance Meter  
Frequency Divider for 10-MHz Frequency Standard  
Electroscope  
Optical Isolator Wattmeter  
Digital Three-Phase Wave Generator  
Simple Test Audio Amplifier  
Gate Dip Oscillator I  
Accelerometer (G Meter) Circuit  
Gate Dip Oscillator II  
Two Remote Meters  
Novel RF Power Meter  
Nanoammeter  
1.5-V Logarithmic Light Level Meter  
ac Power Monitor  
100-W Variable Resistor Simulator  
IMD Test Circuit for Pin Diodes  
VCO and Input Frequency Comparer  
ECG Amplifier with Right Leg Drive  
Power Transformer Tester  
4- to 20-mA Process Controller  
Simple High-Current Measurer  
Analog Circuitry Calibrator  
Simple Signal Generator for Signal Tracing  
Simple Harmonic Distortion Analyzer  
Sound Subcarrier Generator  
Inductance and Capacitance Determiner  
with SWR Bridge  
Motorcycle Tune-Up Aid  
50-MHz Frequency Counter  
10-MHz Frequency Standard  
Programmable Capacitor Circuit  
Programmable Resistor Circuit

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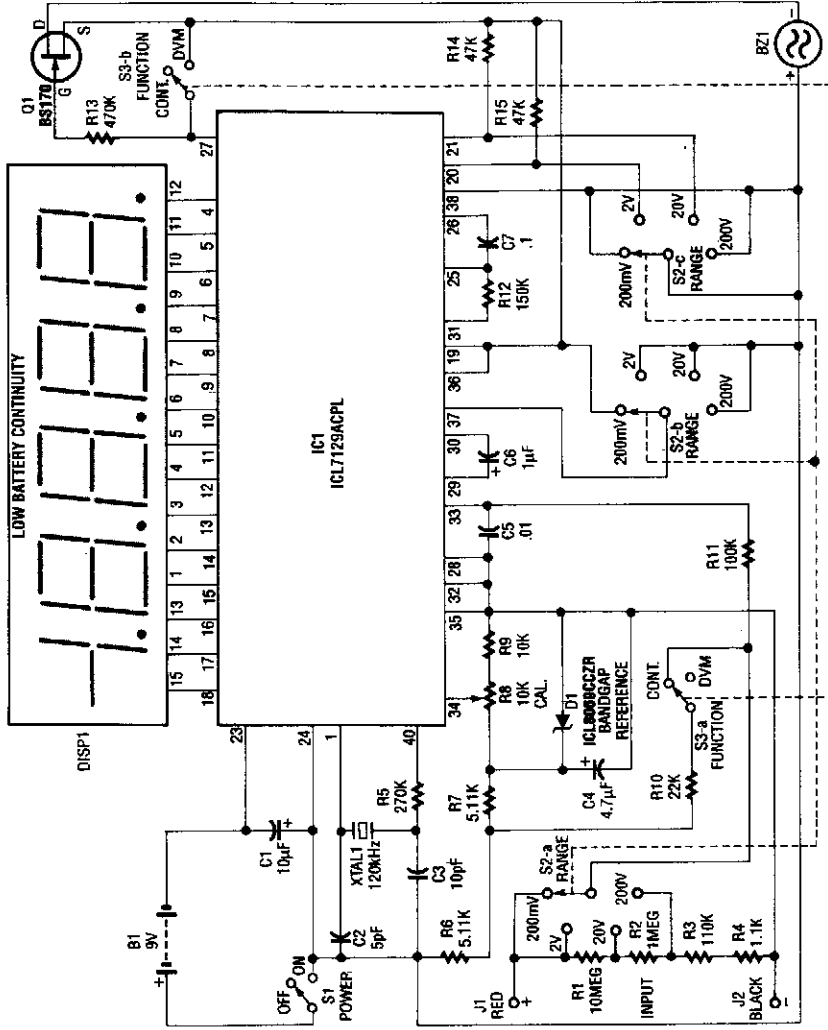


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*Fig. 50-1*

The electronic level uses a pair of phototransistors and an infrared LED to sense bubble position. In this circuit, the amounts of infrared radiation received by phototransistors Q1 and Q2 are translated by op-amp U1 and dual-timer U2 into either a steady tone, or a fast- or slow-pulsing one.

# SINGLE-CHIP DIGITAL VOLTMETER



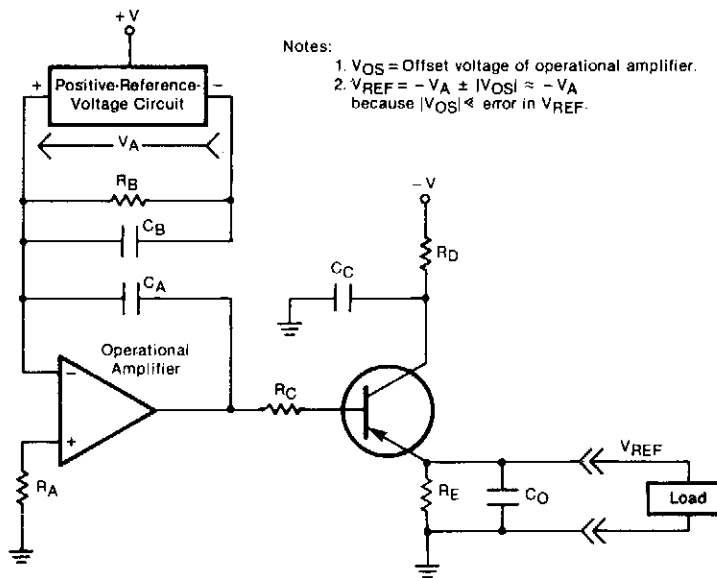
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**Fig. 50-2**

This 4½-digit DVM circuit is built around a Maxim ICL7129ACPL A/D converter and LCD driver. An ICL8069 CCZR 1.2-V band-gap reference diode is used for a voltage reference. S2a-b-c select one of four ranges up to 200 V (maximum). The meter also has a piezoelectric buzzer for continuity testing. S3 selects either DVM or continuity. Crystal 1 can be changed to 100 kHz if maximum rejection of 50 Hz is desired. The crystal normally provides 120 kHz for best 60-Hz rejection. This is caused by the dual-slope conversion technique used in ICL.



## NEGATIVE REFERENCE VOLTAGE CIRCUIT



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**Fig. 50-4**

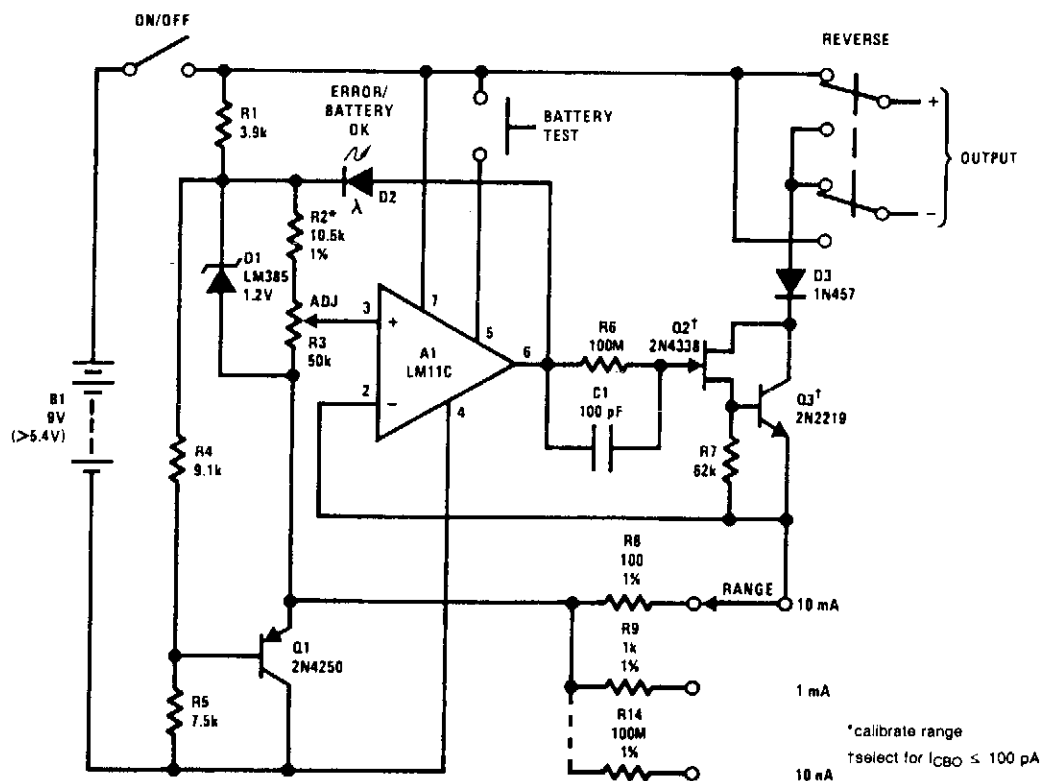
This figure illustrates a circuit that supplies a precise negative reference voltage. To meet requirements of accuracy and stability, it incorporates a highly precise positive reference voltage by use of a high-gain, stable feedback booster circuit.

The booster circuit includes an operational amplifier and a transistor, which handles the load current. Typically, a positive-reference-voltage circuit can handle only relatively small load currents. This consideration does not apply in the present circuit because the positive-reference-voltage unit is placed in the voltage feedback loop of the booster circuit in parallel with resistor  $R_B$ . Thus, from the perspective of the positive-reference-voltage unit,  $R_B$  is a constant load. This feature enhances the stability of the circuit by removing the load regulation factor.

Provided that the offset voltage of the operational amplifier is low, the accuracy of the overall circuit depends only on the accuracy of the positive-reference-voltage unit. The overall circuit draws very little power for its own operation. It can handle unexpectedly heavy loads; the feedback configuration and the high gain provided by the combination of the operational amplifier and the transistor give the circuit a very low output impedance. The capacitors reduce the noise voltage and help stabilize the circuit. In the event that the load becomes a short circuit,  $R_D$  protects the transistor by limiting the load current.



## PRECISION CURRENT SOURCE



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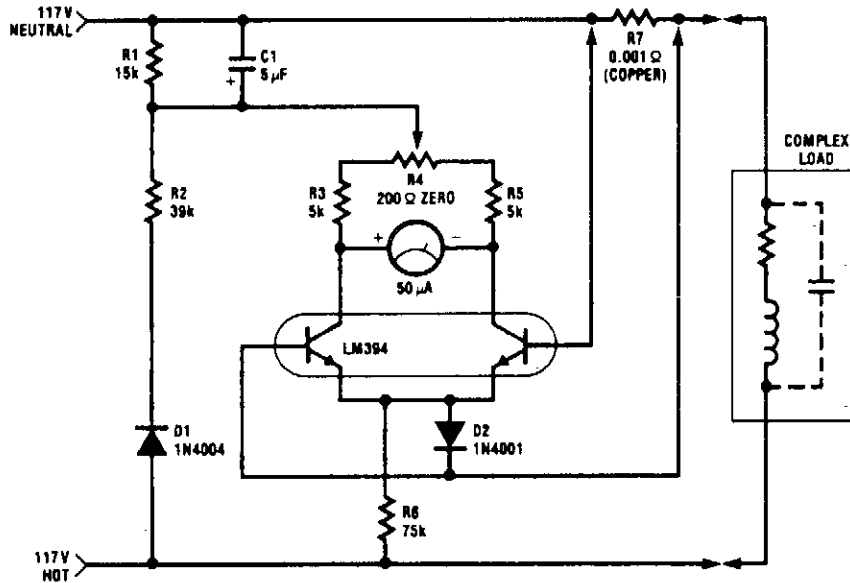
Fig. 50-5

A complete, battery-powered current source suitable for laboratory use is shown. The op amp regulates the voltage across the range resistors at a level determined by the voltage on the arm of the calibrated potentiometer, R3. The voltage on the range resistors is established by the current through Q2 and Q3, which is delivered to the output.

The reference diode, D1, determines basic accuracy. Q1 is included to ensure that the LM11 inputs are kept within the common-mode range with diminishing battery voltage. A light-emitting diode, D2, is used to indicate output saturation. However, this indication cannot be relied upon for output-current settings below about 20 nA, unless the value of R6 is increased. The reason is that very low currents can be supplied to the range resistors through R6 without developing enough voltage drop to turn on the diode.

If the LED illuminates with the output open, there is sufficient battery voltage to operate the circuit. But a battery test switch is also provided. It is connected to the base of the op-amp output stage and forces the output toward V+.

## 1-kW POWER METER

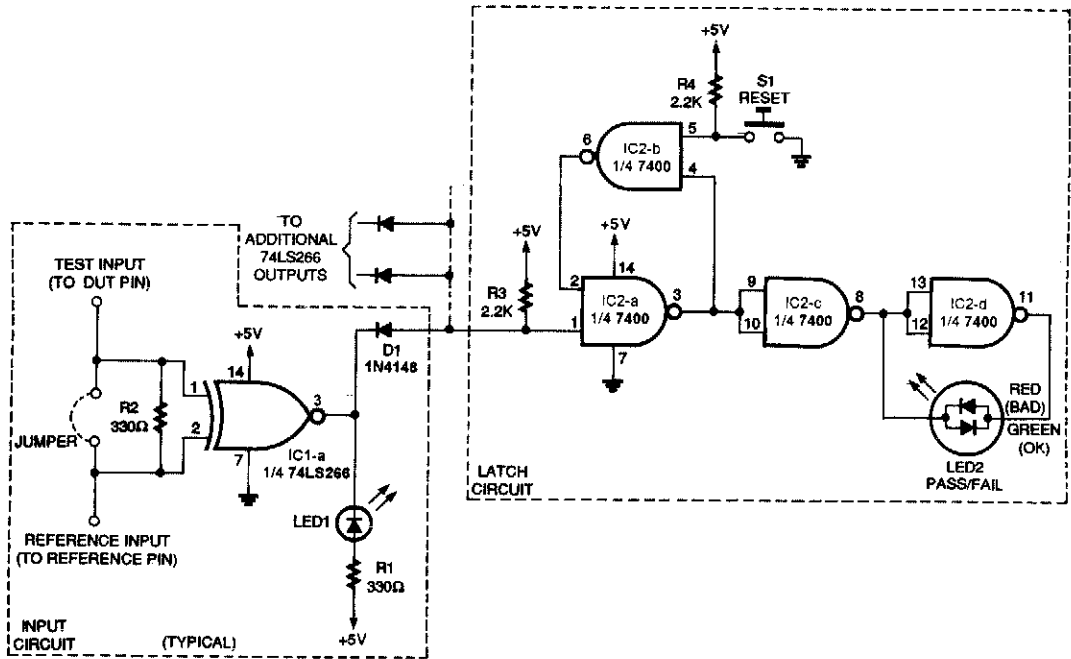


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Fig. 50-6

The power meter shown uses only one transistor pair to provide the complete (X) (Y) function. The circuit is intended for 117 Vac  $\pm$  50 Vac operation, but can be easily modified for higher or lower voltages. It measures true (nonreactive) power being delivered to the load and requires no external power supply. Idling power drain is only 0.5 W. The load current-sensing voltage is only 10 mV, keeping load voltage loss to 0.01%. Rejection of reactive load currents is better than 100:1 for linear loads. Nonlinearity is about 1% full scale when using a 50- $\mu$ A meter movement. The temperature correction for gain is accomplished by using a copper shunt (+0.32%/°C) for load-current sensing. This circuit measures power on negative cycles only, so it cannot be used on rectifying loads.

## LOGIC CHIP TESTER

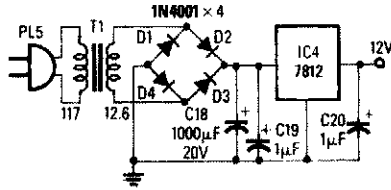


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*Fig. 50-7*

This device compares two logic signals and indicates whether the two logic signals are the same or different. To use the tester, first connect the test input to the suspect pin of the DUT. Next, connect the reference input to the same pin of an identical reference chip that is known to be good. Push the reset button to begin the test; the green section of the bicolor LED will be illuminated. Any signal on the test device that differs from the one on the reference device will then momentarily light the LED lamp that corresponds to that pin, and also latch on the red section of the bi-color LED. That indicates that the device under test is faulty. If the reference and DUT signals are the same, the DUT is OK, and the green LED will remain lit.

## POWER SUPPLY FOR 10-MHz FREQUENCY STANDARD

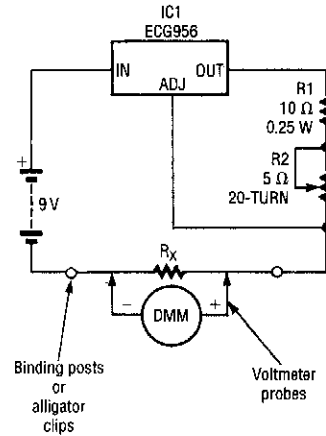


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Fig. 50-8

This simple power supply can be used in place of battery B1 of the 10-MHz frequency standard.

## THREE-TERMINAL REGULATOR CURRENT SOURCE

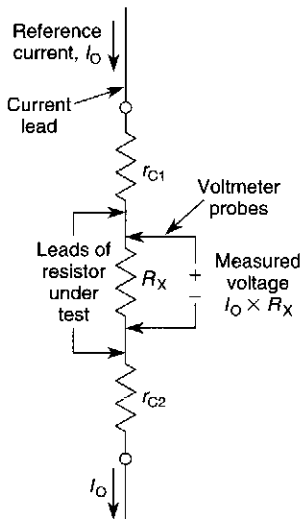


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Fig. 50-9

A three-terminal voltage regulator acts as a current source in this circuit. A resistor is being calibrated using a DMM and the current source.

## FOUR-WIRE RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT HOOKUP

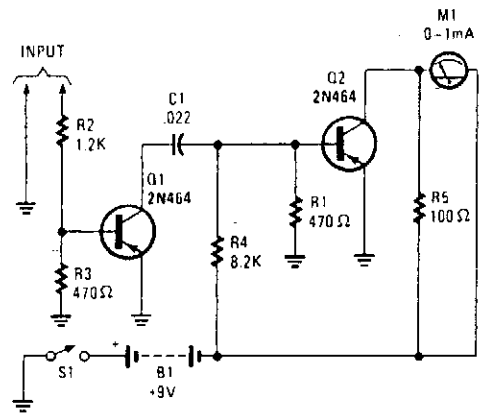


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Fig. 50-10

A true four-wire resistance measurement hookup.

## AUDIO FREQUENCY METER

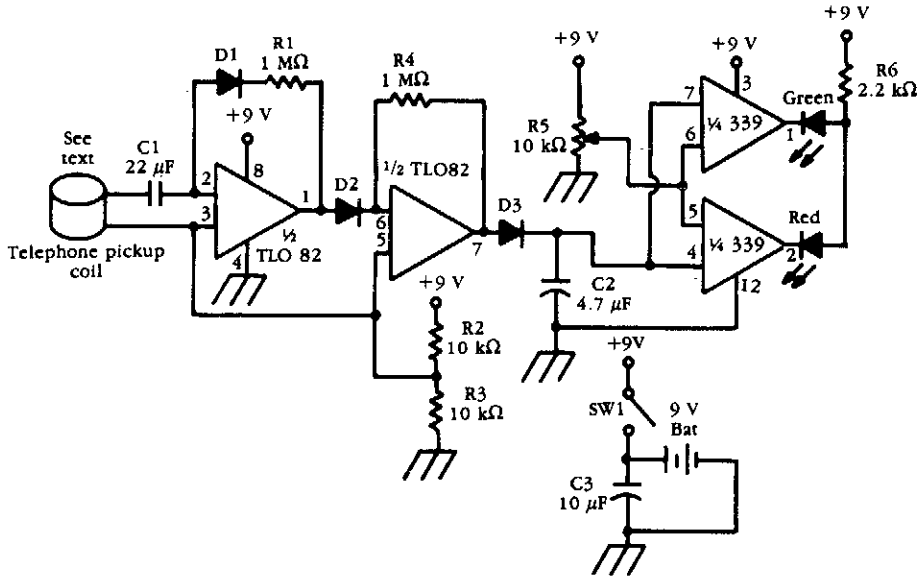


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Fig. 50-11

A pulse-shaper is used in a tachometer circuit to drive a meter.

## ELF MONITOR

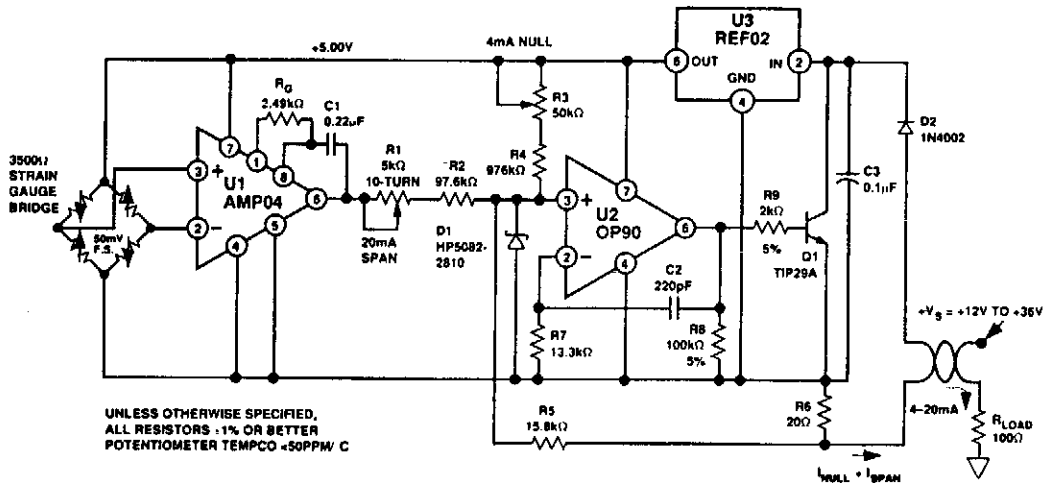


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Fig. 50-12

A telephone pick-up coil is used as a sensor for low-frequency magnetic fields. The signal is amplified and detected, then used to drive a comparator.

## STRAIN-GAGE SENSOR

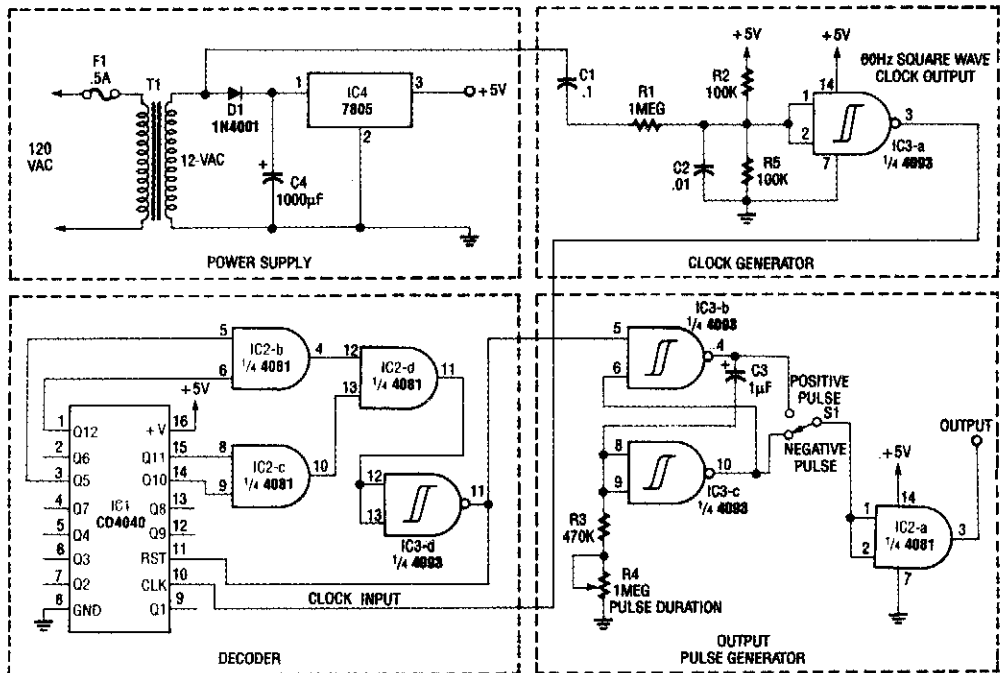


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Fig. 50-13

In this loop-powered strain-gage sensor application, a 50-mV full-scale (FS) bridge output is amplified and calibrated for a 4–20-mA transmitter output. Power is furnished by the remote loop supply of 12 to 36 V.

## MINUTE MARKER



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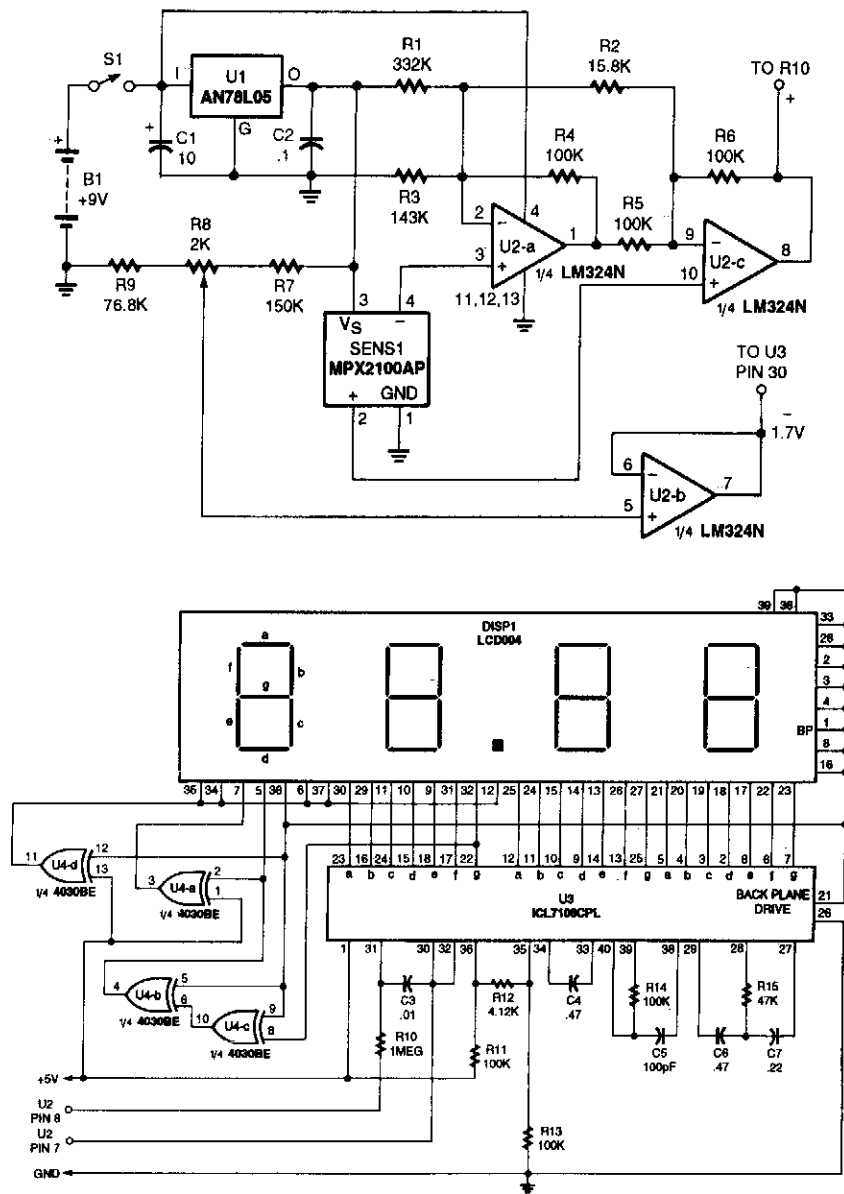
Fig. 50-14

The figure shows the schematic of a minute marker. The output of transformer T1 is 12.6 Vac at 60 Hz, which is rectified by D1 and regulated by IC4, and LM7805 regulator, to provide 5 Vdc for the circuit. The unrectified ac is bandpass-filtered by R1, R2, R5, C1, and C2. Resistors R2 and R5 also form a dc-voltage divider, which biases the input of Schmitt trigger IC3-a to 2.5 V. The Schmitt trigger generates a 60-Hz square wave, which is fed to the input of IC1, a CE4040 12-stage binary counter.

The outputs of the counter are a 4081 quad AND gate (IC2), and the decoded output is fed back to the reset input of the counter, which resets the counter when the desired count is reached.

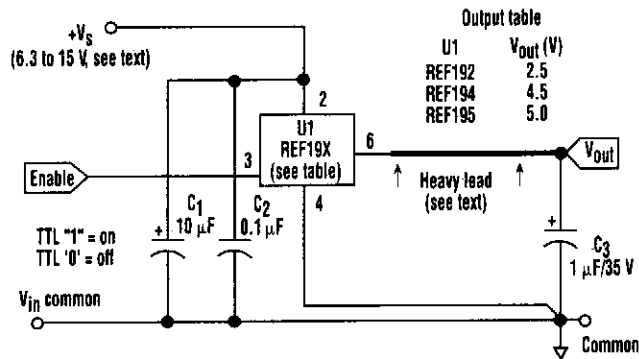
The pulse from IC2-d is inverted by Schmitt trigger IC3-d, and passed along to the output pulse generator. The output pulse is generated by two Schmitt triggers cross-connected as an RS flip-flop (IC3-b and IC3-c). The output of the flip-flop is fed to 3, R4, and C3, whose values set the output pulse duration. The output pulse duration ( $T$ ) can be approximated by the formula  $T = 1.2 \times C_3 \times (R_3 + R_4)$ . A positive or negative-going pulse is selected by S1, and buffered by the remaining AND gate (IC2-a).

## DIGITAL BAROMETER



A pressure sensor is used in this application. This outputs a voltage to amplifier U2, and a 3½ digit A/D converter module. It is calibrated to read barometric pressure in inches of mercury.

## REFERENCE CIRCUIT

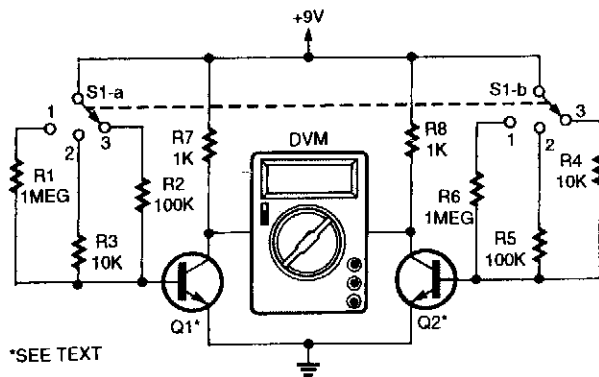


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Fig. 50-16

In this high-performance reference circuit, U1 is a device from the REF190 series producing device-selectable outputs of 2.5, 4.5, and 5 V with simple, noncritical external circuitry. An Analog Devices REF 19 X (see the table in the figure) is used to derive a reference voltage.

## TRANSISTOR MATCHING CIRCUIT



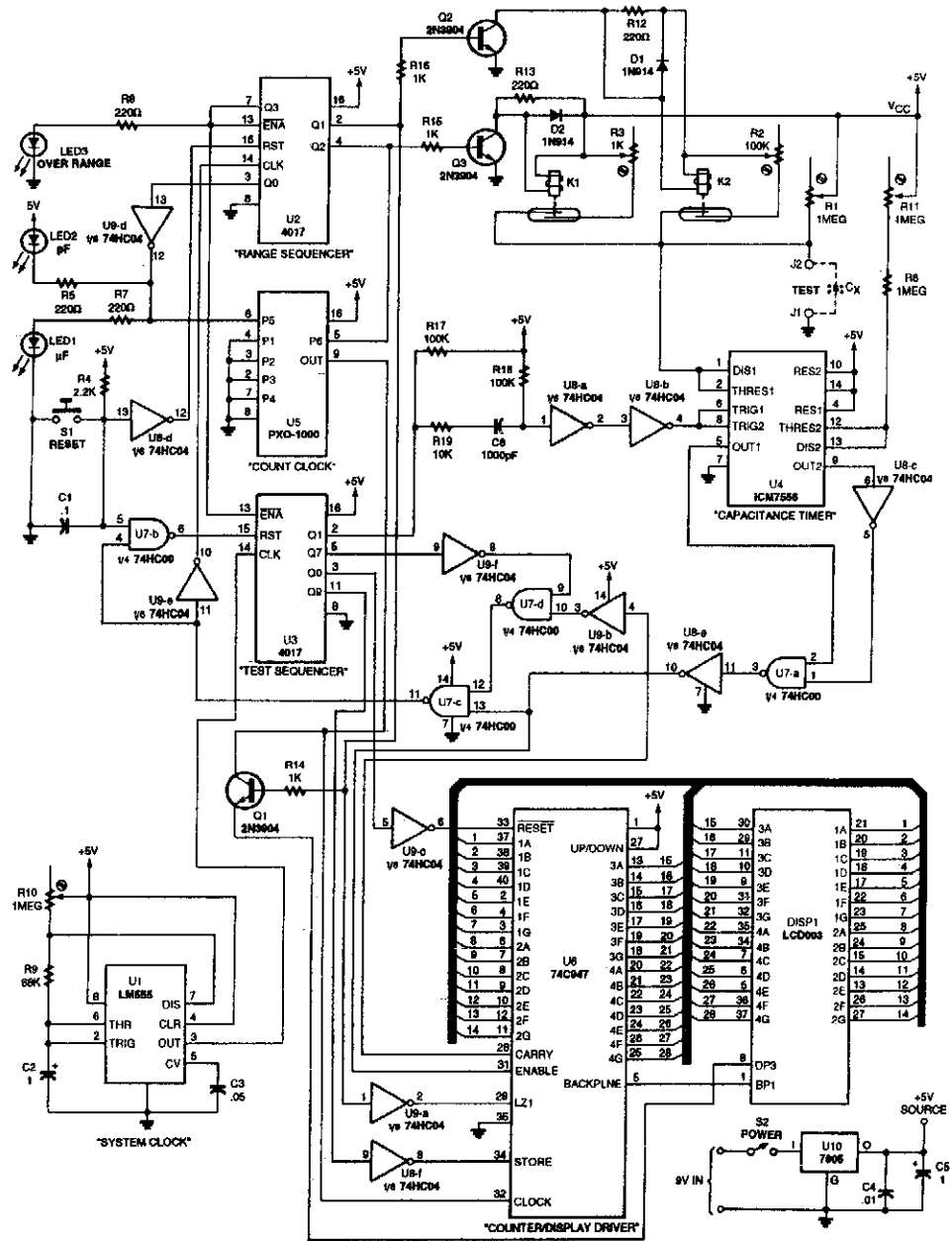
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Fig. 50-17

In order to match two transistors, select Q1 and Q2 so that they give zero readings (or as close as possible) on a DVM. The DVM acts as a null detector. An analog meter can be substituted. S1 should be set for an appropriate level of base current (approximately 8, 80, or 800  $\mu$ A).

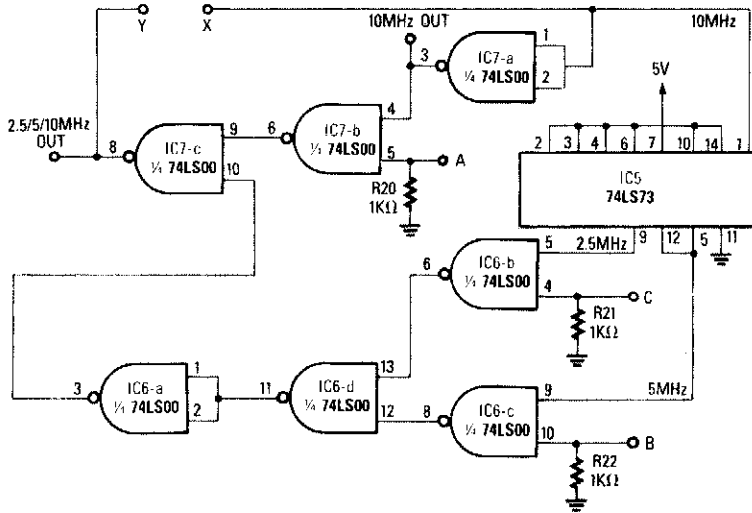


# AUTO-RANGING DIGITAL CAPACITANCE METER



This digital capacitance meter reads from 1 pF to 1000 μF. Basically, a timer (U4) uses the unknown capacitance to generate a pulse of duration, depending on the value of unknown capacitance, and the pulse duration is measured. The display is an LCD 0003 driven by a 74C947 counter/display driver.

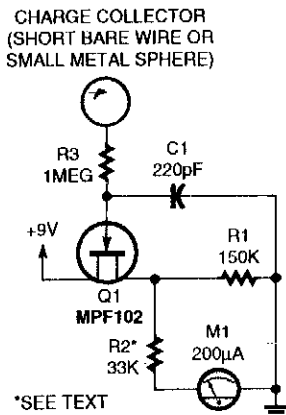
## FREQUENCY DIVIDER FOR 10-MHz FREQUENCY STANDARD



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Fig. 50-19

## ELECTROSCOPE



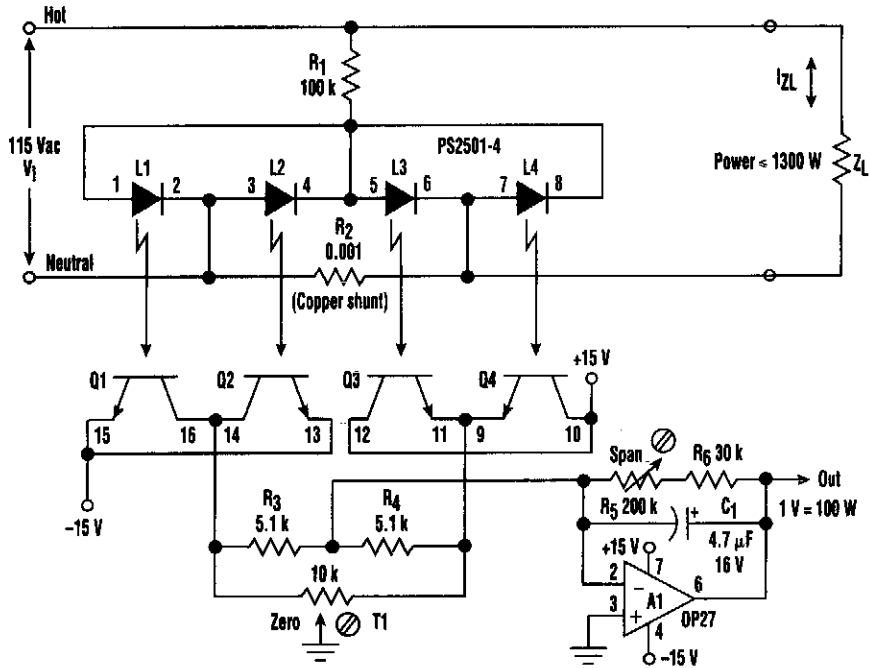
This circuit is useful for detecting electrostatic charges. In operation, C1 reduces ac noise, but lowers the sensitivity a bit. The MPF102 and R1 form a voltage divider. When the FET's gate is earth-grounded, the divider's output will be about 4.5 V giving a half-scale reading on M1, a 200- $\mu$ A meter. A positively charged object (like cotton-rubbed glass) will give a positive deflection from half-scale, and a negatively charged object (a plastic comb, for example) will give a negative meter deflection.

The whole circuit (including the 9-V battery supply) should be in a metal enclosure, and a short piece of bare wire makes a fine charge collector.

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Fig. 50-20

## OPTICAL ISOLATOR WATTMETER

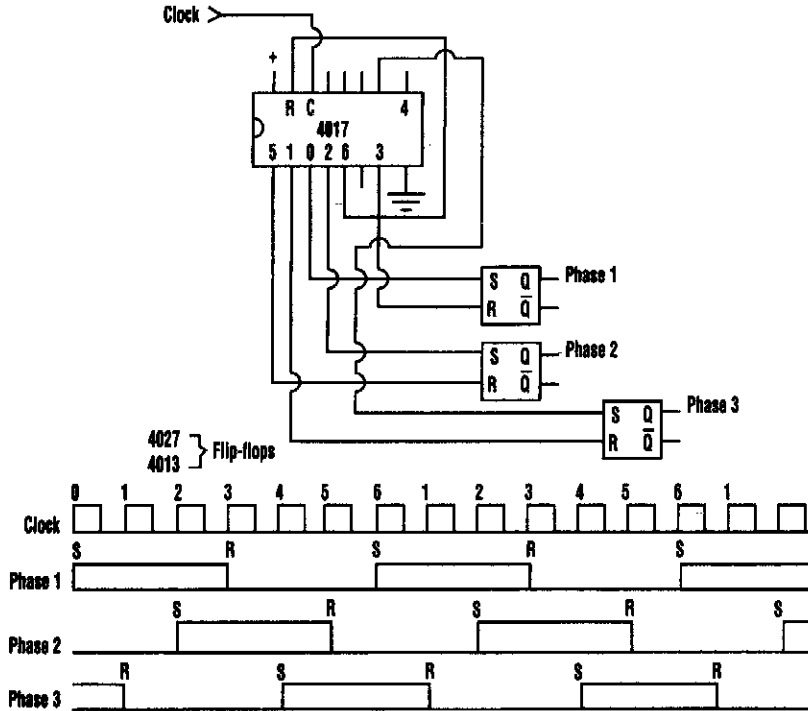


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

*Fig. 50-21*

The quad-channel optical isolator, consisting of LED L1 through L4 and phototransistors Q1 through Q4, is connected in a double bridge configuration. The arrangement serves to compute the four-quadrant product of ac line voltage and  $Z_L$  load current. The result is an accurate representation of the true instantaneous power delivered to the load—even if the line voltage wanders and the load is reactive and nonlinear. This wattmeter function is, of course, optically isolated from the ac line, has full-scale limit of 1300 W, and is output with scale factor of 1 V/100 W.

## DIGITAL THREE-PHASE WAVE GENERATOR



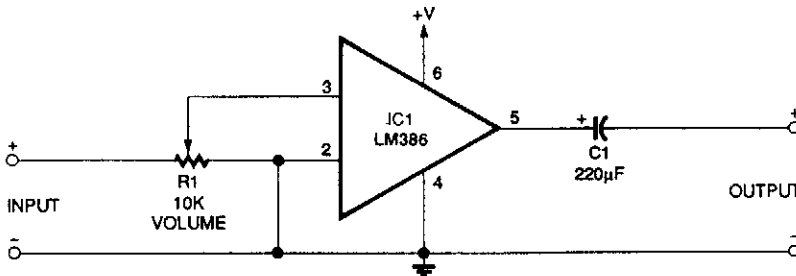
**Fig. 50-22**

**ELECTRONIC DESIGN**

With a simple digital circuit, three-phase square waves can be produced from a single-phase square-wave signal source. The timing diagram shows that the second and third phases are 120° and 240° behind the first phase, respectively.

The frequency range over which the three-phase outputs will occur is limited only by the capability of the logic used. The output frequency is 1/10 of the input frequency.

## SIMPLE TEST AUDIO AMPLIFIER

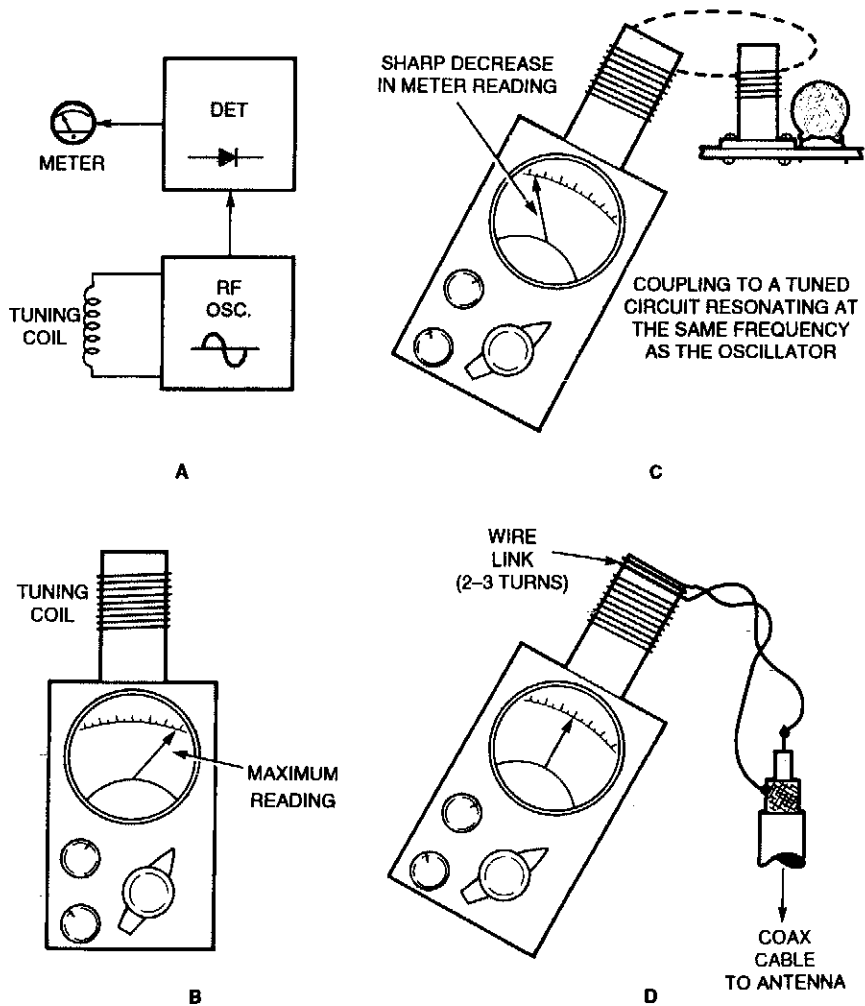


**Fig. 50-23**

**ELECTRONICS NOW**

This circuit has a gain of about 20. A suitable power supply voltage is 5 to 12 V, depending on the desired audio output power level.

## GATE DIP OSCILLATOR I

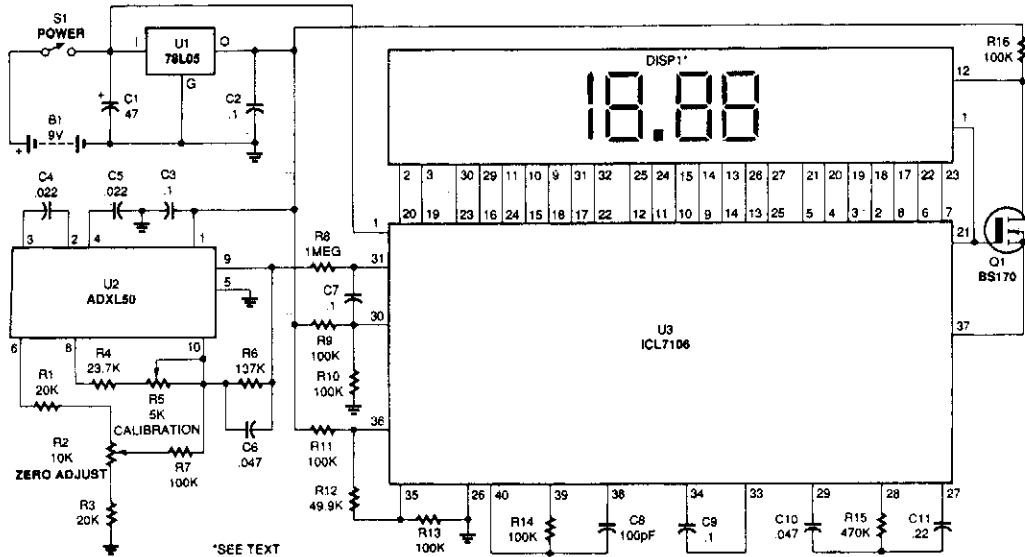


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-24

The typical dip meter is comprised of a tuning coil, RF oscillator, a detector, and a meter as shown in A. When the meter's tuning coil is coupled to a tuned circuit resonating at the same frequency as the GDM, the reading dips (C). The GDM's tuning coil can be coupled to the coaxial feed line of an antenna through a few (perhaps 2 to 3) turns of wire, and used to determine the antenna's resonant frequency (D).

## ACCELEROMETER (G METER) CIRCUIT



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-25

As this schematic shows, the ADXL50 accelerometer, U2, interfaces with an A/D converter, U3, to drive a 3½-digit LCD module, DISP1. Because that module displays any number from -19.99 to +19.99, the circuit is designed to measure g's within that range. The heart of the circuit is U2, the ADXL50 accelerometer. The sensitivity of that chip is set to  $\pm 20$  g's in order to accommodate the full scale capability of LCD module DISP1 (19.99). Circuit gain is determined by the values of R4, R5, and R6, potentiometer R2, and R3 provides a way to manually set the zero-g voltage-output level at pin 9 of U2 to half the supply voltage—2.5 V. That output voltage will vary linearly by 0.1-V/g of acceleration.

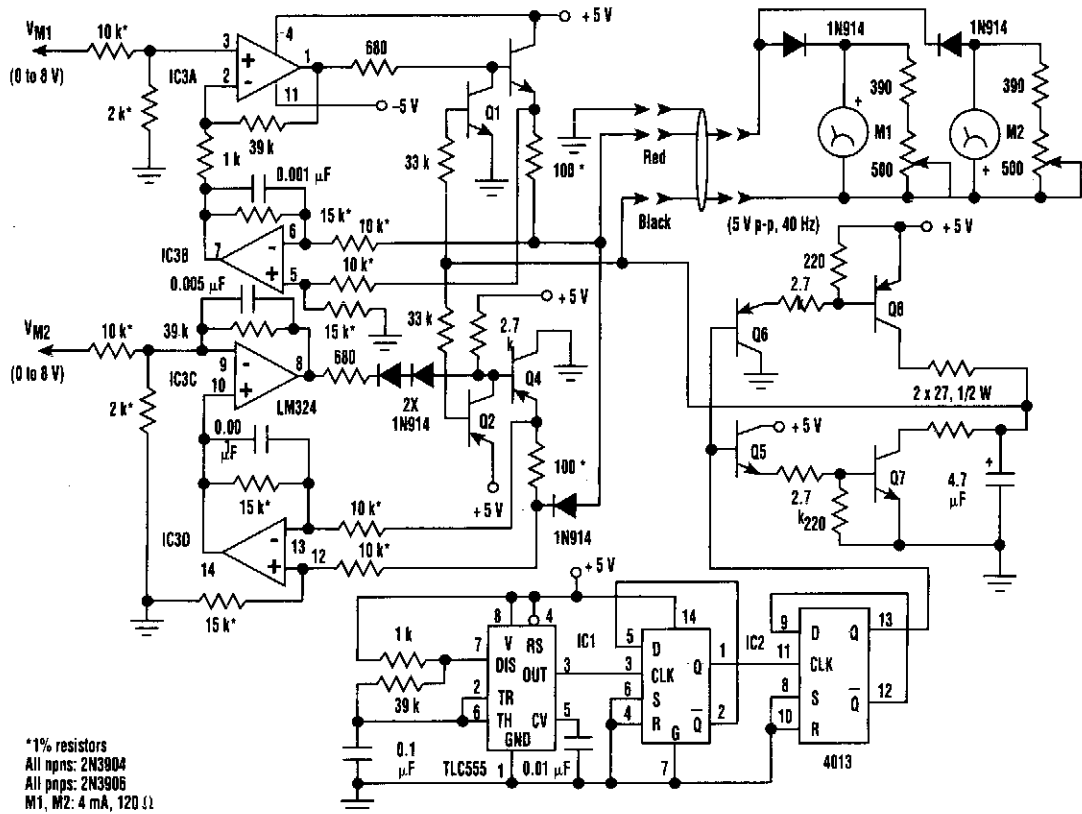
In order to achieve good circuit performance at low g levels, the bandwidth of the amplifier is limited to about 30 Hz by C6. The digital-display section of the circuit is composed of DISP1 and U3. Included in U3 are the A/D converter, clock oscillator, storage resistors and latches, 3½-digit seven-segment decoders, and backplane generator.

The differential analog input of U3 is applied between pins 30 and 31. The positive input, pin 31, is driven by output-pin 9 of U2 through R8, a buffer resistor, and the negative input, pin 30, is biased at a fixed voltage of 2.5 V by a voltage-divider string composed of R9 and R10.

A reference voltage is required by U3. Full-scale display, 19.99, occurs when the differential, analog input voltage applied between pins 31 and 30 is equal to twice the reference voltage. The decimal point of the LCD has to be illuminated to display readings from 0.00 to 19.99. That is done by inverting the backplane square-wave drive signal appearing at pin 21 of U3, through MOSFET Q1, and applying the 180-degree out-of-phase signal to pin 12 of DISP1.



## TWO REMOTE METERS



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 50-27**

Two remote meters can be driven independently using just one wire pair. This "constant current" design eliminates the effects of wire-pair resistance up to 200  $\Omega$ . Driving two remote meters independently usually requires two wire pairs (one pair for each meter).

In the circuit, IC1 and IC2 generate a 40-Hz symmetrical square wave (the frequency isn't critical). Q5 through Q8 amplify the square wave to 5 V p-p, which is applied to the "return" (black wire) for the remote meters.

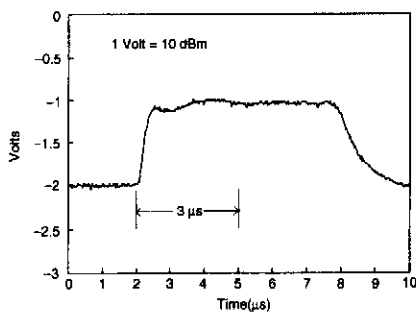
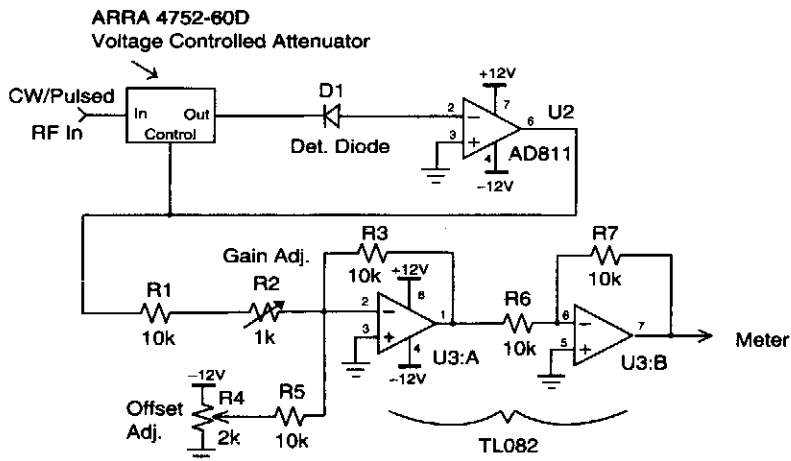
Amplifier IC3A buffers the input signal voltage  $V_{mi}$ , intended for meter M1 (0 to 8 V), and sends it through emitter-follower Q3 to a 100- $\Omega$  current-sense resistor. The other end of this resistor is tied to the "supply" (red wire) of the remote meters. IC3B amplifies the voltage across the sense resistor, which corresponds to the current sent to remote meter M1, and closes the feedback loop to IC3A.

This results in a voltage of 0 to 8 V at the M1 input, generating a current of 0 to 10 mA to M1. Transistor Q1 gates this current on and off synchronous to the 40-Hz square wave so that meter M1 actually sees a 50% 0-to-+10-mA peak (0 to 5 mA average) current.

Similarly, IC3C, IC3D, Q2, and Q4 provide a 0- to -10-mA peak current for M2. M1 and M2 are isolated by the two-reverse-connected 1N914 diodes in the remote-meter box. Variable resistors across M1 and M2 permit calibration. The extra 1N914 diode in the M2 drive circuit prevents interference between M1 and M2.



## NOVEL RF POWER METER



RF DESIGN

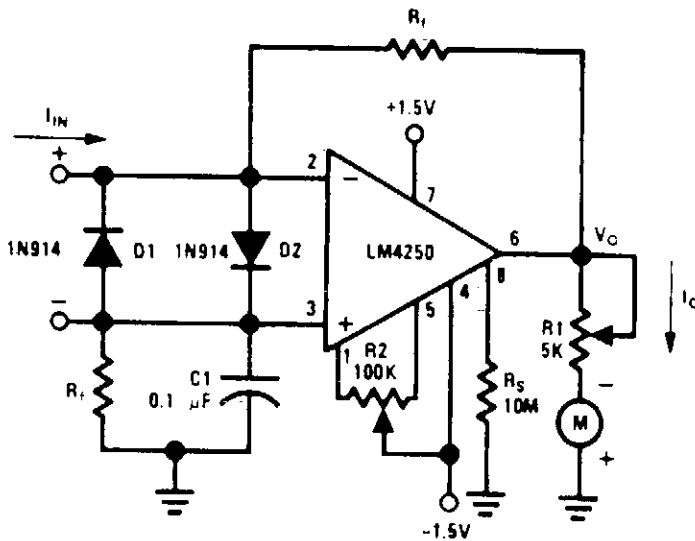
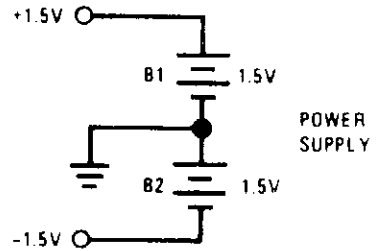
*Fig. 50-28*

The circuit matches the diode with a voltage-variable attenuator that has a logarithmic response. By varying the attenuation until the diode output is zero, the resulting attenuation value then corresponds to the input power level. Because the voltage-variable attenuator's output is logarithmic, diode nonlinearities become negligible.

## NANOAMMETER

**Resistance Values for  
DC Nano and Micro Ammeter**

| I FULL SCALE | $R_f$ [ $\Omega$ ] | $R'_f$ [ $\Omega$ ] |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 100 nA       | 1.5M               | 1.5M                |
| 500 nA       | 300k               | 300k                |
| 1 $\mu$ A    | 300k               | 0                   |
| 5 $\mu$ A    | 60k                | 0                   |
| 10 $\mu$ A   | 30k                | 0                   |
| 50 $\mu$ A   | 6k                 | 0                   |
| 100 $\mu$ A  | 3k                 | 0                   |



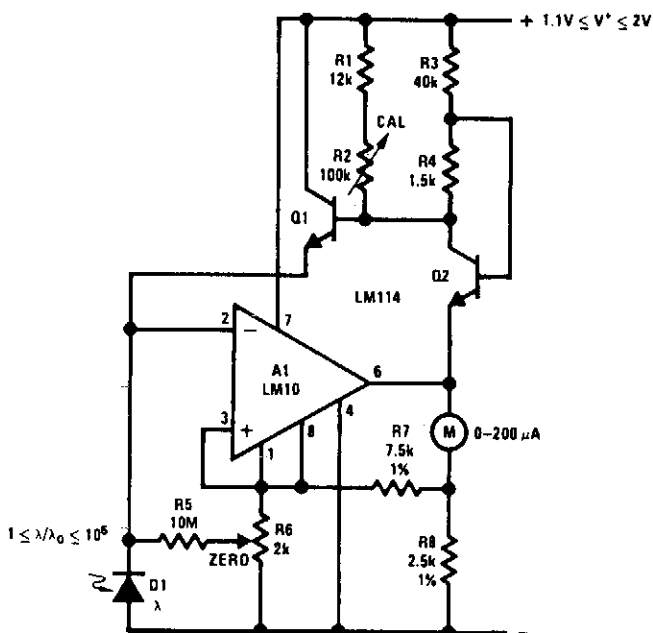
**NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR**

**Fig. 50-29**

Potentiometer R2 provides an electrical meter zero by forcing input offset voltage  $V_{os}$  to zero. Full-scale meter deflection is set by R1. Both R1 and R2 only need to be set once for each op amp and meter combination. For a 50- $\mu$ A 2-k $\Omega$  meter movement, R1 should be about 4 k $\Omega$  to give full-scale meter deflection in response to a 300-mV output voltage. Diodes D1 and D2 provide full input protection for overcurrents up to 75 mA.

With an  $R_f$  resistor value of 1.5 M $\Omega$ , the circuit becomes a nanoammeter with a full-scale reading capability of 100 nA. Reducing  $R_f$  to 3 k $\Omega$  in steps, as shown in the figure increases the full-scale deflection to 100  $\mu$ A, the maximum for this circuit configuration. The voltage drop across the two input terminals is equal to the output voltage ( $V_o$ ) divided by the open loop gain. Assume that an open loop gain of 10,000 gives an input voltage drop of 30  $\mu$ V or less.

## 1.5-V LOGARITHMIC LIGHT LEVEL METER



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Fig. 50-30

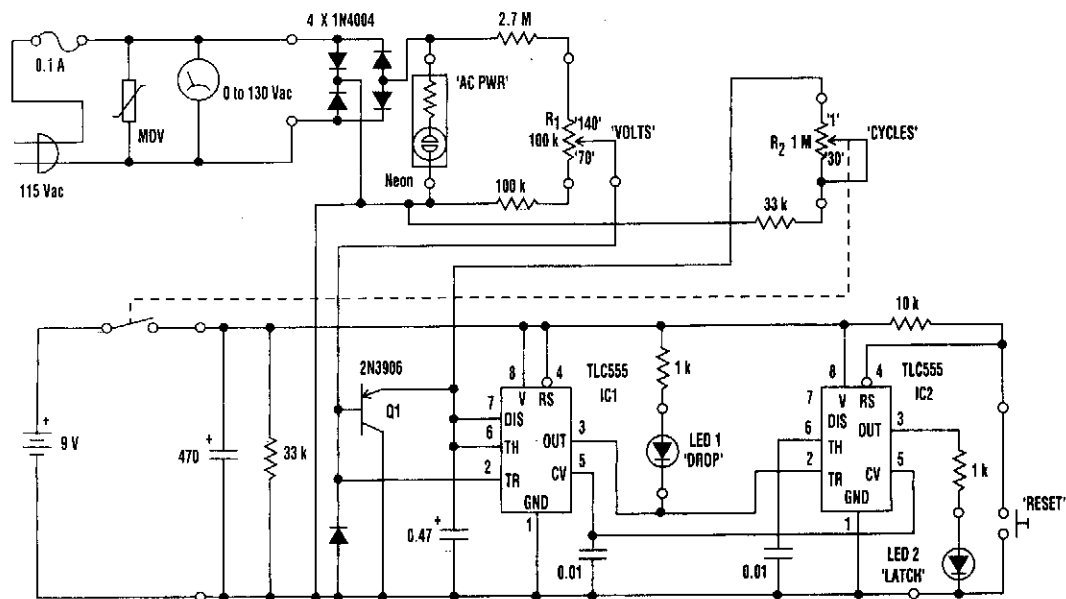
A portable light-level meter with a five-decade dynamic range is shown. The circuit is calibrated at mid-range with the appropriate illumination by adjusting R2 such that the amplifier output equals the reference and the meter is at center scale. The emitter-base voltage of Q22 will vary with supply voltage; so R4 is included to minimize the effect on circuit balance. If photocurrents less than 50 nA are to be measured, it is necessary to compensate the bias current of the op amp.

The logging slope is not temperature compensated. With a five-decade response, the error at the scale extremes will be about 40% (a half stop in photography) for a  $\pm 18^\circ\text{C}$  temperature change.

If temperature compensation is desired, it is best to use a center-zero meter to introduce the offset, rather than the reference compensation. It can be obtained by making the resistor in series with the meter a copper wire-wound unit.

If this design is to be used for photography, it is important to remember that silicon photodiodes are sensitive to near-infrared light, whereas ordinary film is not. Therefore, an infrared-stop filter is called for. A blue-enhanced photodiode or an appropriate correction filter would also produce best results.

## ac POWER MONITOR



All capacitors in microfarads.  
Diodes are 1N914 except where otherwise noted.

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 50-31

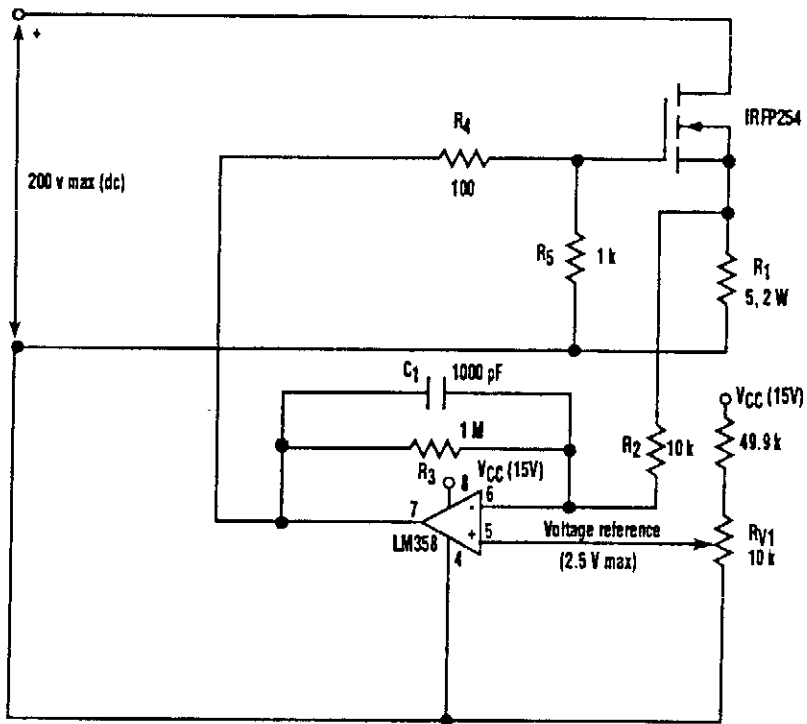
The 0- to 130-V voltmeter and neon “AC PWR” lamp provide an average indication of the ac power. The fuse and metal oxide varistor (MOV) protect the monitor against overvoltage spikes.

Four 1N4004 diodes rectify the ac voltage, generating negative-going pulses twice per cycle (every 8.33 ms for 60-Hz power). Variable-resistor F1 supplies a reduced amplitude sample of these pulses to a missing pulse detector consisting of Q1, IC1, and associated circuitry. As long as the pulse amplitude exceeds the threshold value set by R1, IC1 continually triggers, keeping its output high. When the pulse amplitude drops below the threshold value, IC1 times out with a time constant set by variable resistor R2 and the 0.47- $\mu$ F capacitor. R2 is calibrated to read the number of cycles required for a dropout indication. It can be set between 1 cycle (about 17 ms) and 30 cycles (0.5 second).

When IC1 times out, its output goes low. This turns on LED1. The low output also triggers IC2, which is configured as a set-reset flip-flop. This turns on LED2. When the voltage returns to normal, IC1 again starts triggering and its output returns high, turning off LED1. LED2, however, remains on until the manual reset button is pressed.

The circuit is powered by a 9-V battery and is assembled in a plastic or grounded metal case. Notice that there's no isolation between the ac power line and the monitor circuitry. Be careful to avoid electrical shock when testing the circuitry.

## 100-W VARIABLE RESISTOR SIMULATOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

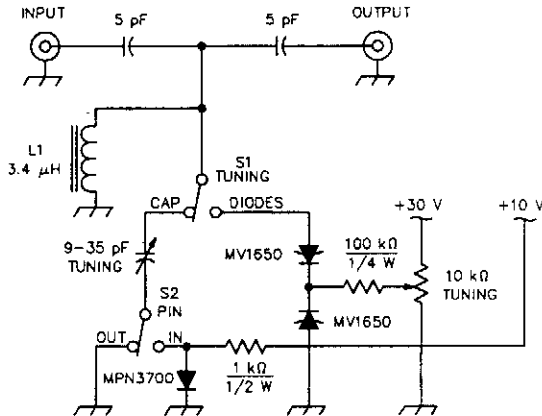
Fig. 50-32

Variable resistive loads with precise load steps often are required in automatic testers used to test and calibrate power supplies. The action of a high-power (100 W) variable resistor can be simulated with the circuit shown.

The voltage drop across R1, which is proportional to the FET current, is compared against a variable input voltage reference using a high-gain op amp. Error voltage developed by the amplifier drives the gate, controlling the transconductance of the FET.

Power dissipation is limited by the safe-operating-area curve of the selected FET. The FET should be mounted onto a properly sized heatsink or a heatsink-fan combination to maintain its case temperature within safe limits. The circuit is designed to dissipate a maximum power of 100 W if the FET-case temperature is maintained below 50°C. The potentiometer (RV1) can be replaced by a digital-to-analog converter so that it can adapt to the computer control for use in automatic testers.

## IMD TEST CIRCUIT FOR PIN DIODES

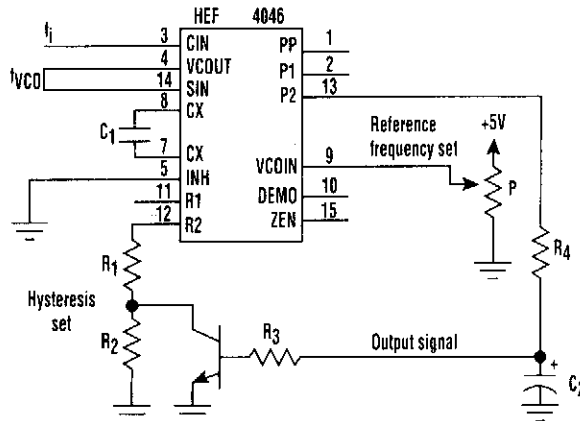


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Fig. 50-33

A loosely coupled tuned circuit for testing IMD production by PIN and tuning diodes in a narrow-band preselector, S1, TUNING, selects whether C1 or a pair of back-to-back MV1650 tuning diodes resonate L1. S2, PIN, adds or removes an MPN3700 PIN diode in series with C1. L1 consists of 33 turns of #28 enameled wire on a t-37-6 toroidal powdered-iron core. The MV1650, a “20-V” tuning diode, exhibits a nominal capacitance of 100 pF at a tuning voltage of 4 V.

## VCO AND INPUT FREQUENCY COMPARER

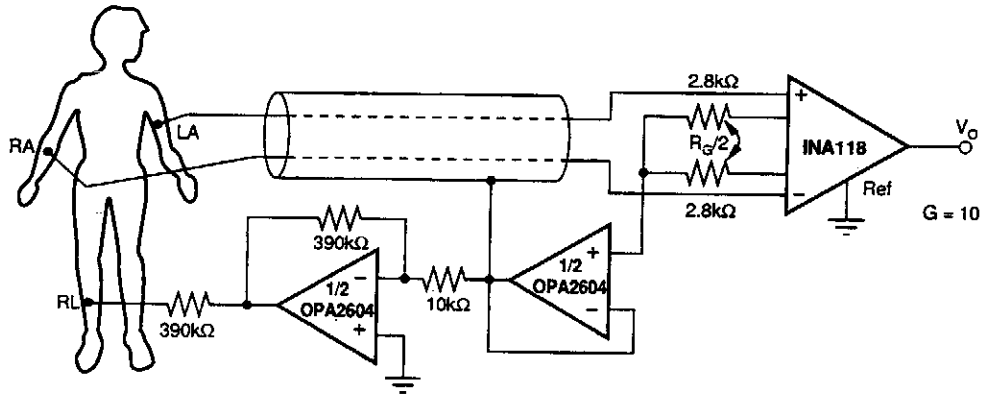


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 50-34

Comparison of an input signal's frequency ( $f_i$ ) with that of voltage-controlled oscillator ( $f_{VCO}$ ) can be accomplished with just one CMOS phase-locked loop IC and a transistor (see figure). The phase and the frequency can be compared with a phase comparator, which, along with the VCO, is part of the HEF4046 PLL IC. The transistor helps introduce hysteresis, enabling the circuit to be used as a switch driver.

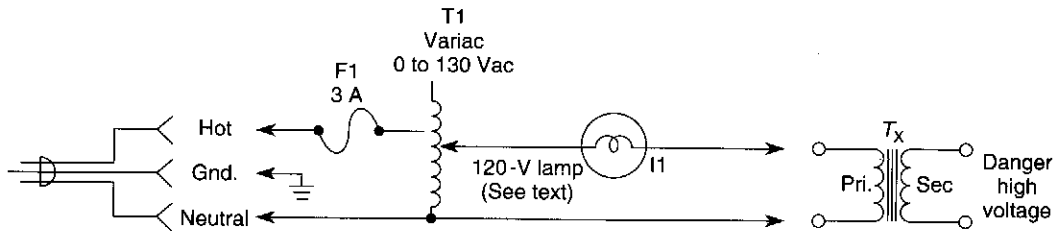
## ECG AMPLIFIER WITH RIGHT LEG DRIVE



BURR-BROWN

Fig. 50-35

## POWER TRANSFORMER TESTER



Warning: observe existing shock hazard

WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 50-36

Very often a power transformer is suspect and connecting a shorted transformer to an ac source can be hazardous. This test method will detect a defective or shorted transformer. The primary of the power transformer is energized through a Variac (0 to 130 Vac) and a lamp equal in wattage to about half that of the transformer under test. Connect the transformer, set Variac at zero, then energize circuit. Apply voltage to suspected transformer (Tx) as shown. The lamp should not light. If it does, Tx is shorted. Next, short the secondary of suspected Tx. This time, the lamp should light. For multiple winding transformers, repeat for each secondary winding. Beware of the shock hazard as the open windings of Tx can develop full-rated voltage.

## 4- TO 20-mA PROCESS CONTROLLER

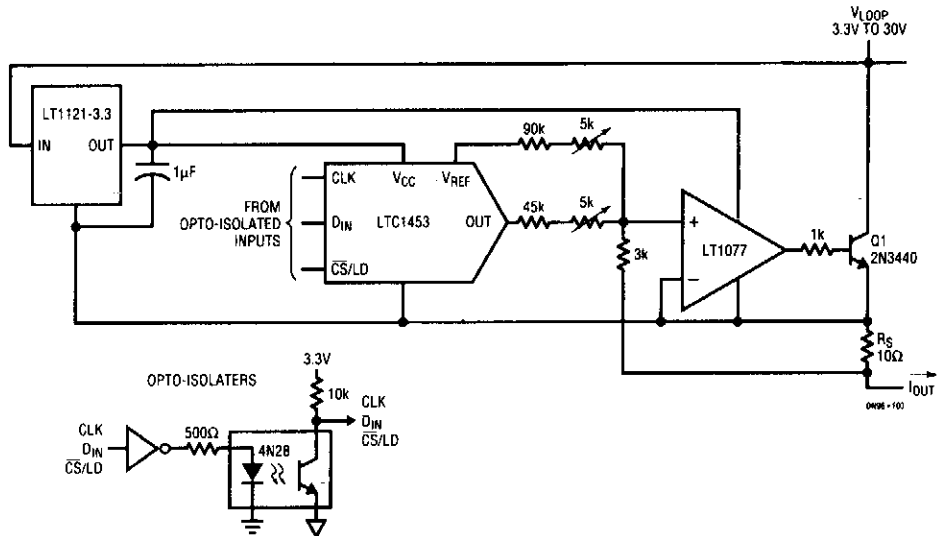


Fig. 50-37

### LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

The figure shows how to use an LTC1453 to make an optoisolated digitally controlled 4- to 20-mA process controller. The controller circuitry, including the optoisolator, is powered by the loop voltage that can have a wide range of 3.3 V to 30 V. The 1.22-V reference output of the LTC1453 is used for the 4-mA offset current and  $V_{OUT}$  is used for the digitally controlled 0- to 16-mA current.  $R_S$  is a sense resistor and the LT1077 op amp modulates the transistor Q1 to provide the 4- to 20-mA current through this resistor. The control circuitry consumes well under the 4-mA budget at zero scale.

## SIMPLE HIGH-CURRENT MEASURER

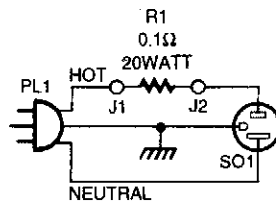


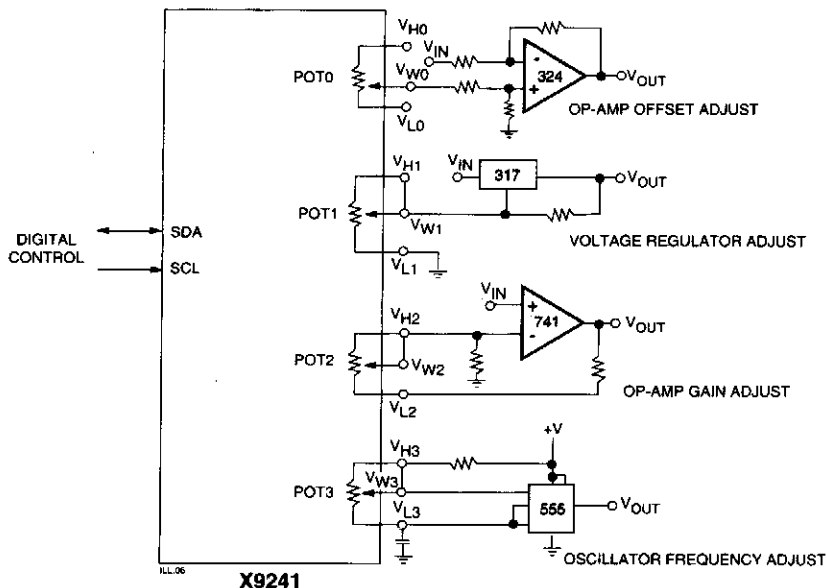
Fig. 50-38

### POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Testing heavy-load devices with a ten-amp maximum meter can be accomplished with this straightforward meter add-on. If done right, it could be made from a high-current extension cord. J1 and J2 are well-insulated jacks to accept meter probe tips.



## ANALOG CIRCUITRY CALIBRATOR

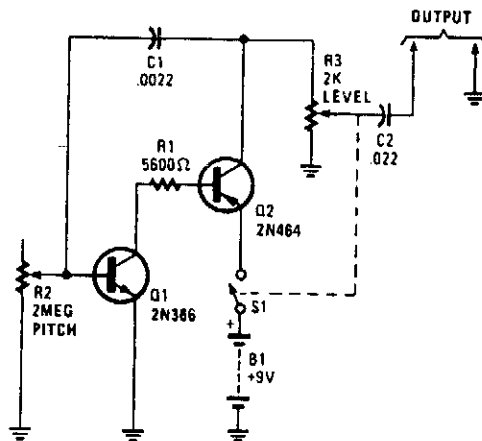


XICOR

*Fig. 50-39*

An XICOR X9241 Quad POT IC can be used to digitally adjust four analog circuits, as shown in the example schematic.

## SIMPLE SIGNAL GENERATOR FOR SIGNAL TRACING

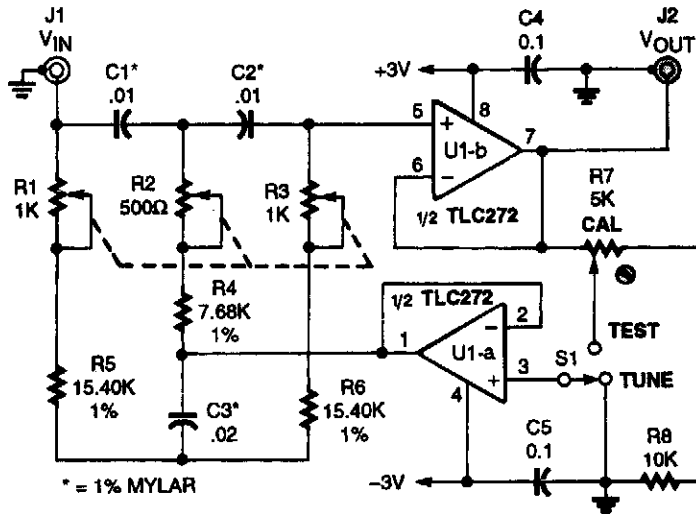


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 50-40*

A simple R-C oscillator generates a harmonic-rich waveform for signal injection.

## SIMPLE HARMONIC DISTORTION ANALYZER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-41

This simple circuit lets you accurately measure the total harmonic distortion (THD) using your true-RMS voltmeter.

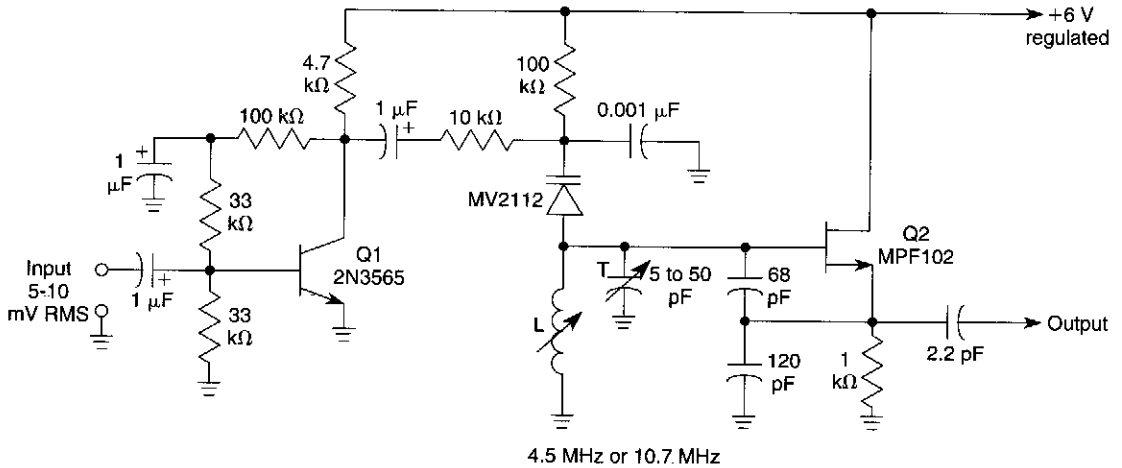
This THD circuit is somewhat different from the usual types: it can operate at the standard frequency of 1000 Hz, but it also is tunable from 970 Hz to 1030 Hz, and has an adjustable *Q* factor of 0.3 to over 50. Op-amp U1, a TLC272 CMOS unit, contains the two voltage-followers required to buffer the input to the bootstrapped twin-T notch filter. Tuning is accomplished by R1, R2, and R3, which are standard linear-taper slide pots "ganged" together by mounting them side-by-side and gluing their sliders together. The only other important construction hint is to use twisted pair at the circuit's input and output.

To calibrate the circuit, input a 1000-V RMS signal at 2000 Hz, set S1 to TEST, and adjust R7 for a reading of 0.99-V RMS on a true-RMS voltmeter at the output.

To use the circuit, set S1 to TUNE, input a 1000-Hz sine-wave signal to the amplifier under test, and set the amplifier's output to the THD adapter and tune R1/R2/R3 for the lowest output signal. Then, set S1 to TEST and read the RMS voltage. To calculate the percent THD use:

$$THD = \left( \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right) \times 100$$

## SOUND SUBCARRIER GENERATOR

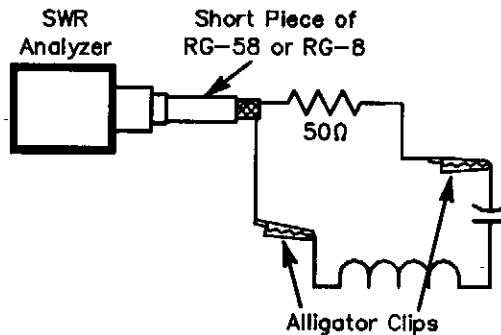


WILLIAM SHEETS

**Fig. 50-42**

This circuit will generate an FM sound subcarrier at 4.5 or 10.7 MHz for FM and TV IF testing and alignment. Q1 is an audio amplifier and Q2 is a VCO modulated by an MV2112 varactor. Deviation up to 1% of frequency can be obtained. L is chosen to resonate with the circuit capacitance to either 4.5 or 10.7 MHz. The values will be around 2 to 10  $\mu\text{H}$ , depending on the frequency.

## INDUCTANCE AND CAPACITANCE DETERMINER WITH SWR BRIDGE



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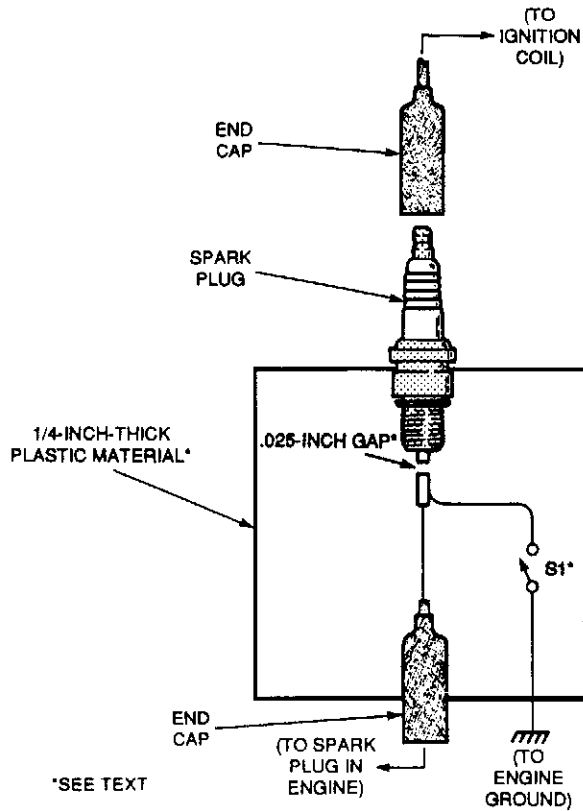
**Fig. 50-43**

At resonance, the SWR will be 1:1 with a 50- $\Omega$  resistance, as reactance is zero. If either  $L$  or  $C$  is known:

$$|X_C| = |X_L| = \frac{1}{2\pi f C} = 2\pi f L$$

$$L_{\text{unknown}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2 C} \quad C_{\text{unknown}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2 L}$$

## MOTORCYCLE TUNE-UP AID

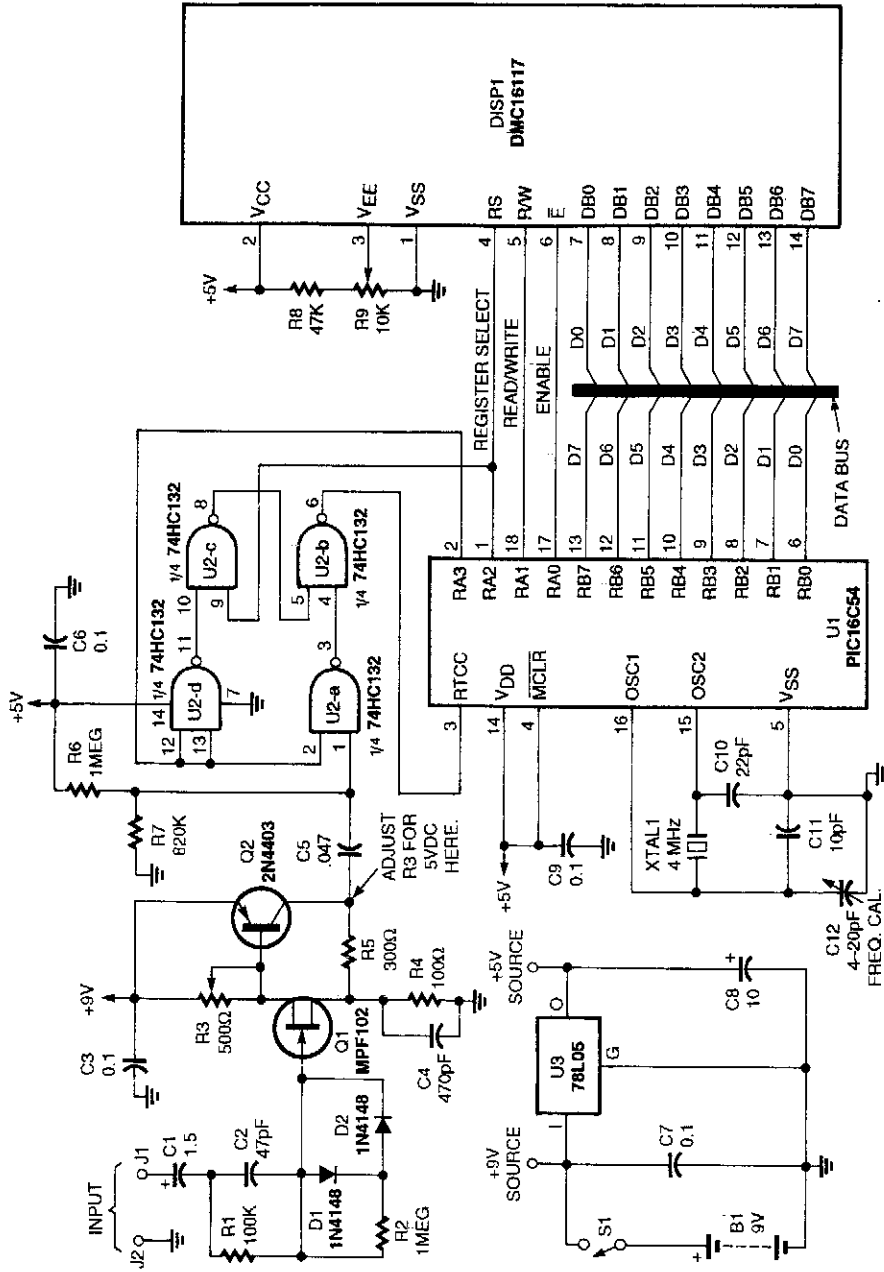


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-44

Performing a tune-up on a newer bike is made a lot easier with this helpful circuit. Because of the high voltages present, make sure that S1 has an insulated handle and that the fixture is grounded. With the ignition turned off, remove one of the spark plug wires and connect it to the spark plug on the fixture. Slip the fixture's end cap over the spark plug on the cycle and you're ready to go. Open S1 and start the engine. Then, close S1; the cylinder with the fixture should not fire and a spark should be seen at the fixed gap. Be sure that the fixture is connected to the engine ground before closing S1.

50-MHz FREQUENCY COUNTER

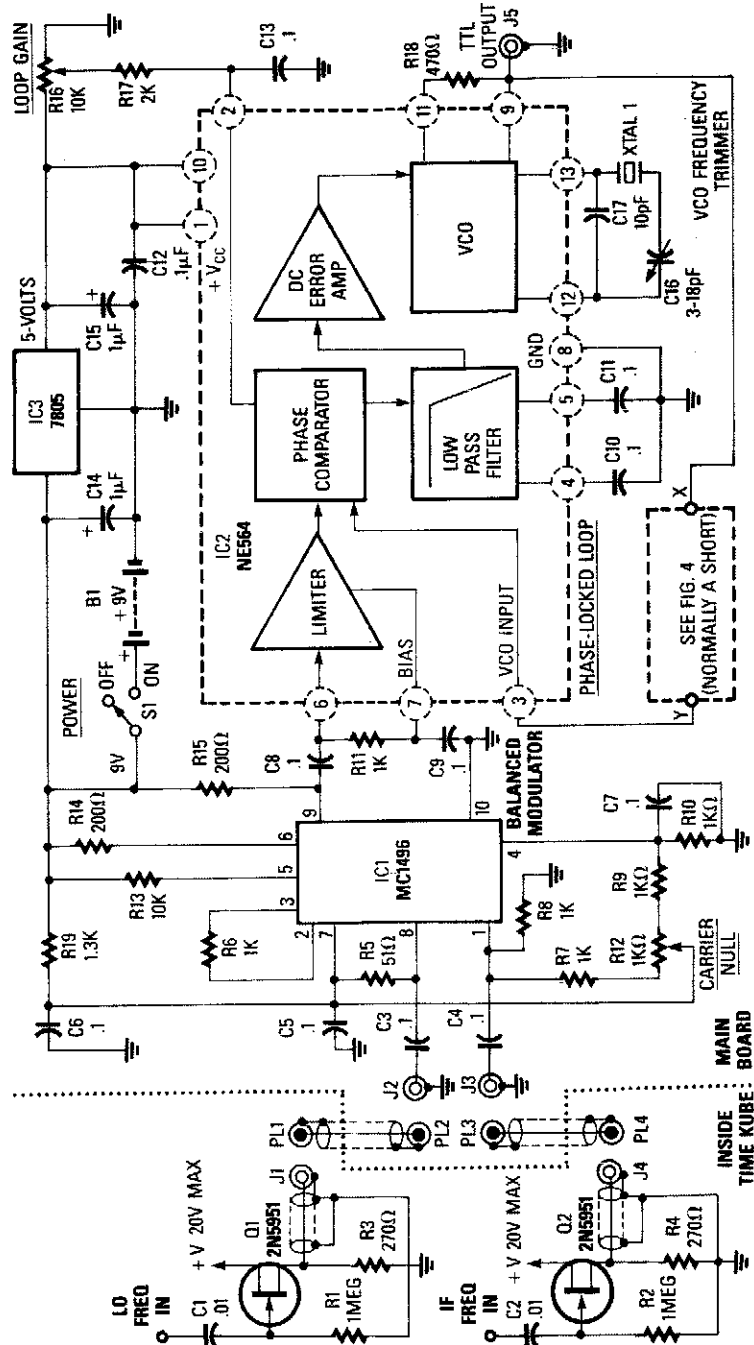


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 50-45

This inexpensive frequency counter uses a microcontroller as the counter. The microcontroller feeds an LCD display module that accepts standard ASCII code. The frequency is displayed as Hz, kHz, or MHz and the counter is autorangeing.

# 10-MHz FREQUENCY STANDARD

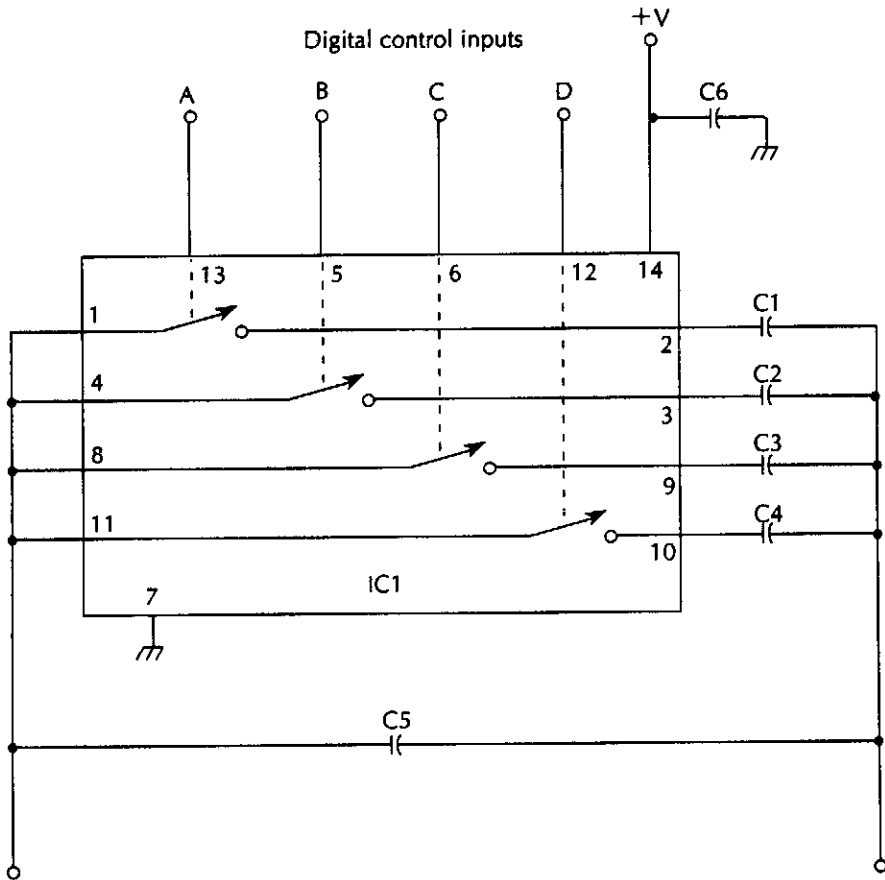


**RADIO-ELECTRONICS**

**Fig. 50-46**

A Radio Shack 10-MHz receiver is used as a basis for this circuit. The L.O. and IF frequencies are added. When the receiver is tuned to 10 MHz (WVV), the sum of the L.O. and IF are used to phase lock a VCO to the 10-MHz signal. By using a divider in the loop, 2.5 or 5 MHz can be used as well.

## PROGRAMMABLE CAPACITOR CIRCUIT



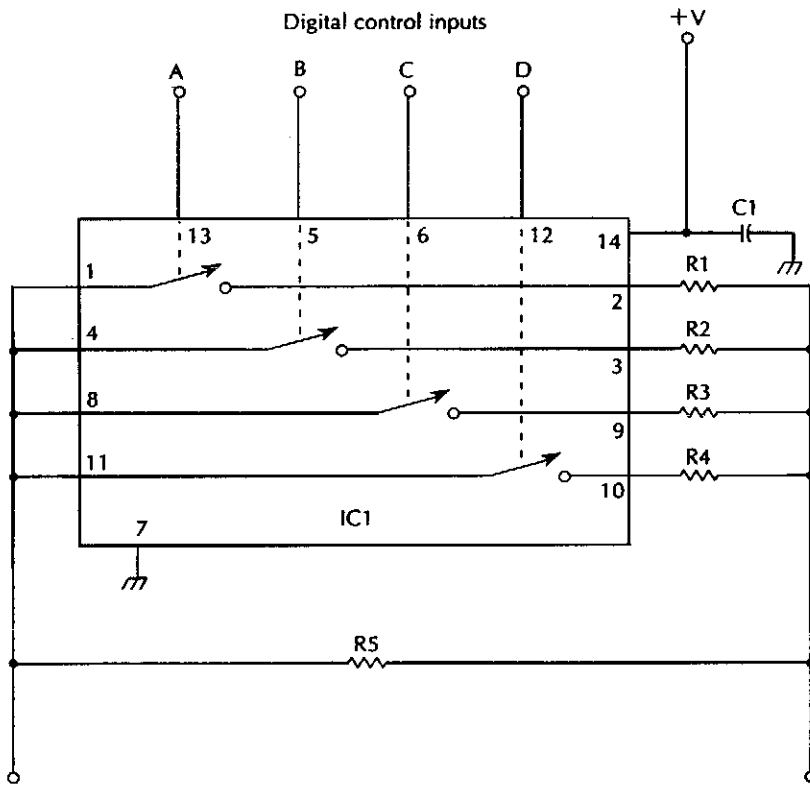
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Fig. 50-47

- IC1 CD4066 quad bilateral switch
- C1 10- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor
- C2 22- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor
- C3 47- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor
- C4 100- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor
- C5 1- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor
- C6 0.1- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor

The programmable capacitor can be very useful in circuits where you need to switch capacitance values. Remember that the "ON" resistance of IC1 appears in series with the capacitors and must be taken into account in some applications as it is not negligible.

## PROGRAMMABLE RESISTOR CIRCUIT



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*Fig. 50-48*

- IC1 CD4066 quad bilateral switch
- C1 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor
- R1 10-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R2 4.7-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R3 2.2-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R4 1-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor
- R5 1-M $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor

A programmable resistor can replace a potentiometer or fixed resistor. Remember that the "ON" resistance of IC1 might have to be taken into account in some applications.



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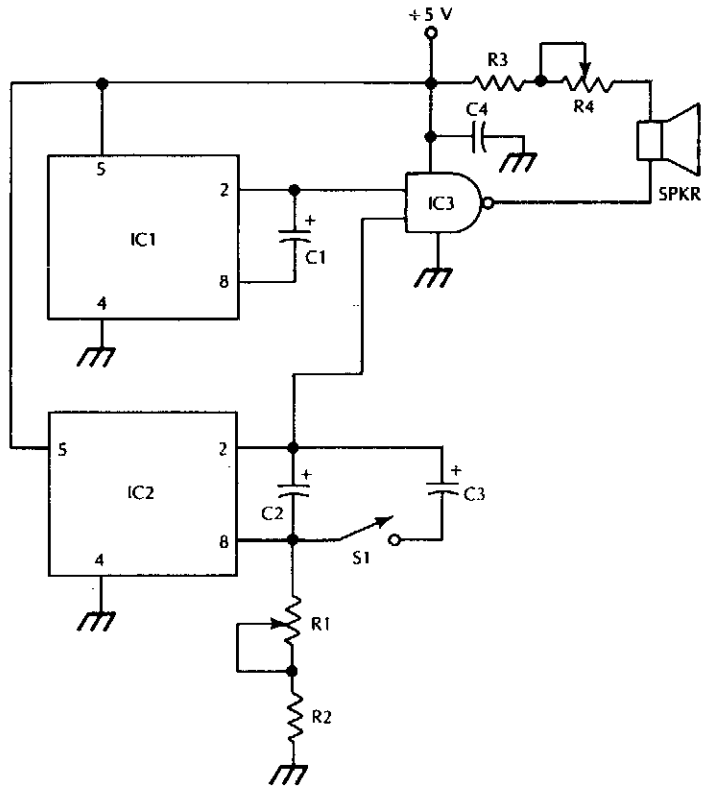
## Metronome Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Audible Metronome  
Visual Metronome

## AUDIBLE METRONOME



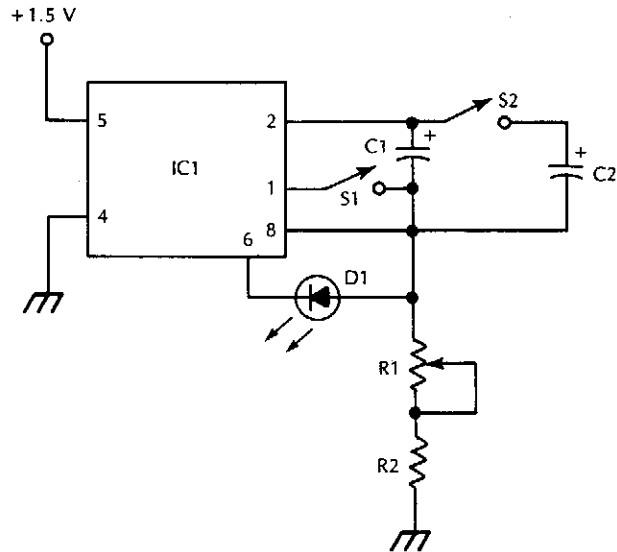
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|----------|---|----|--|
| IC1, IC2 | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator           | C3 | 47 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor |
| IC3      | 7400 quad NAND gate                     | C4 | 0.01 $\mu$ F capacitor                 |
| SPKR     | small loudspeaker                       | R1 | 50 k $\Omega$ potentiometer            |
| S1       | SPST switch                             | R2 | 3.3 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor       |
| C1       | 1 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor   | R3 | 47 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor        |
| C2       | 100 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor | R4 | 500 $\Omega$ potentiometer             |

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**Fig. 51-1**

IC1 generates an audible frequency while a variable very low frequency is generated by IC2. R1 sets the metronome rate. The two signals are combined in IC3.

## VISUAL METRONOME



|        |  |    |                                       |
|--------|--|----|---------------------------------------|
| IC1    | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator          | C2 | 47 $\mu$ F 6 V electrolytic capacitor |
| D1     | LED                                    | R1 | 50 k $\Omega$ potentiometer           |
| S1, S2 | SPST switch                            | R2 | 3.3 k $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor      |
| C1     | 100 $\mu$ F 6 V electrolytic capacitor |    |                                       |

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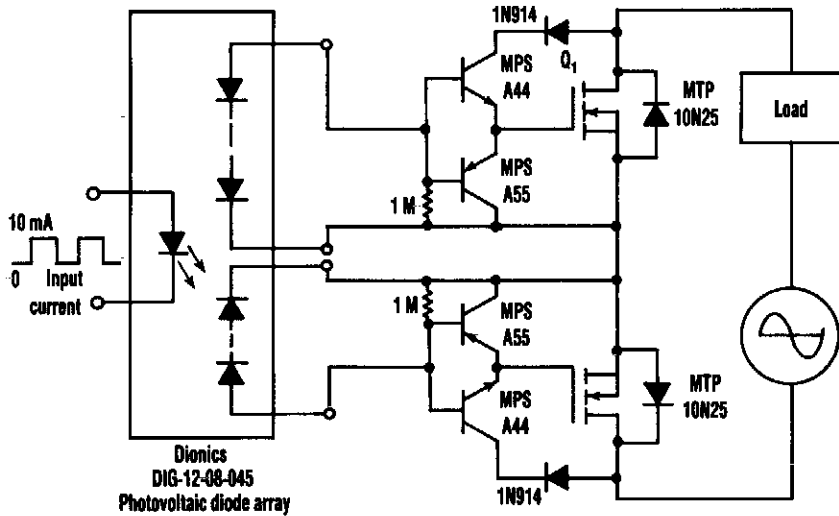
## Miscellaneous Treasures

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

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| MOSFET Drive Current Booster                  | Underwater Microphone                   |
| Simple Event Counter                          | Pulse Echo Driver                       |
| Frequency Doubler                             | Simple Pseudorandom Voltage Source      |
| Atmosphere Noise Monitor                      | TV Horizontal Deflection Circuit        |
| Tachometer Derived from Brushless Shaft Angle | Muting Circuit                          |
| Resolver                                      | Simple Remote Gain Control              |
| Vocal Stripper                                | Loop Oscillator Eliminator              |
| Vocal Stripper Power Supply                   | 1-A Voltage Follower                    |
| Single-Chip Message System                    | Electronic Fish Lure                    |
| Television Vertical Deflection Circuit        | Heartbeat Transducer                    |
| Tone Burst Generator                          | Contact Debouncer                       |
| Audio Volume Limiter                          | Positive Feedback Cable Terminator      |
| Simple Intercom for Noisy Environments        | $\times 10$ Frequency Multiplier        |
| Ditherizer                                    | Jacob's Ladder                          |
| Triac Lamp Dimmer Circuit                     | Master-Slave Device Error Checker       |
| 500-kcps 8-Channel Data Acquisition Circuit   | Ground Loop Preventer                   |
| Hydrophone                                    | Dual Tone Generator for Audio Servicing |
| Your Name in Lights                           | Diodeless Peak-Hold Circuit             |

## MOSFET DRIVE CURRENT BOOSTER



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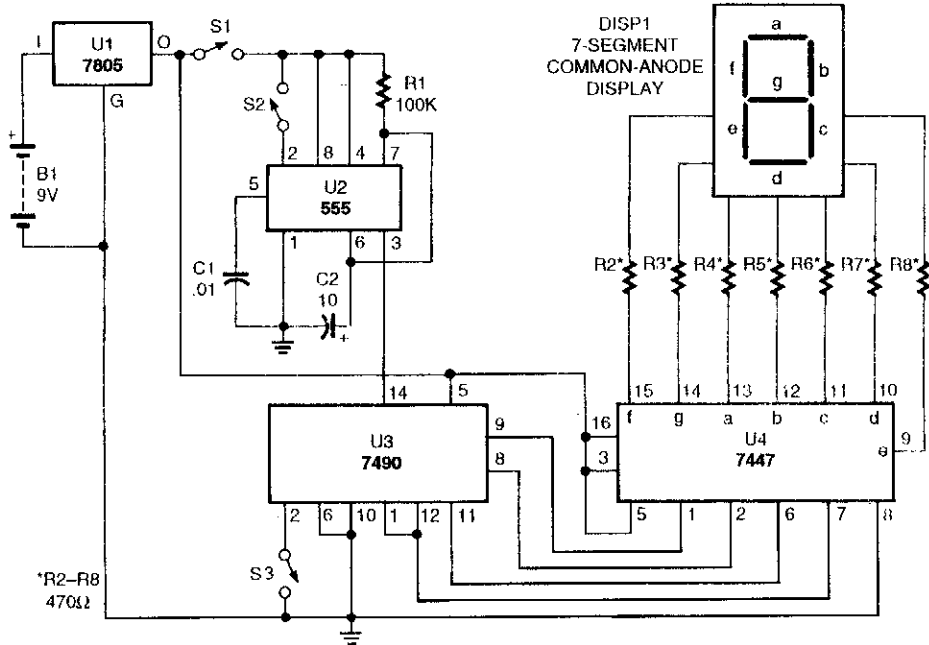
Fig. 52-1

A clean and inexpensive way to eliminate the floating-gate supply is to use the voltage available at the MOSFET's drain to drive its gate. Tying the collector of Q1 (a high-voltage, small-signal, 400-V NPN) to the MOSFET's drain supplies sufficient gate-drive voltage when it's needed most—when the MOSFET's drain-to-source voltage is high. Two such circuits used back-to-back form an ac relay.

Using the emitter follower attached to the drain increases gate-drive current and decreases the MOSFET's turn-on time by a factor equal to the high-voltage NPN's beta. The resulting drain-to-source voltage fall times depend on the MOSFET's size and its required gate charge. The circuit that's used gives a fall time of 200  $\mu$ s for an MTP10N2f5 10-A, 250-V MOSFET. With such fall times cutting switching losses, pulse-width modulation at frequencies under 100 Hz is possible.

During tune-on,  $V_{DS}$  falls rapidly until it reaches the sum of the 1N914 diode's 0.7-V drop, the collector-emitter saturation voltage of Q1, and the gate-to-source voltage required to support the load current. At that point, the diode array completes the MOSFET's turn-on, unaided by the buffer. This slows the fall of  $V_{DS}$  considerably when it reaches about 5 to 7 V. In high-voltage, low-frequency systems, tailing of  $V_{DS}$  is tolerable because the tail's voltage magnitude constitutes a small fraction of the switching voltage. The 1N914 makes it possible for  $V_{GS}$  to exceed  $V_{DS}$  as the MOSFET completes turn-on.

## SIMPLE EVENT COUNTER

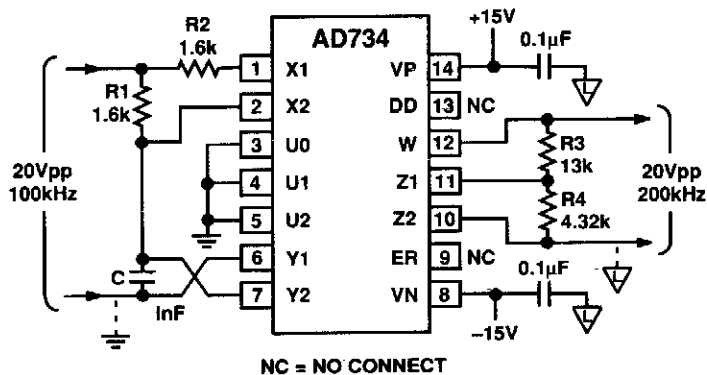


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*Fig. 52-2*

S1 is a power switch. U2 drives counter U3 by producing a pulse when S2 is depressed. U4 and DISP1 read the count of counter IC U3. S3 is a reset to zero switch. The counter is a basic one-digit circuit useful as a holding block or by itself.

## FREQUENCY DOUBLER



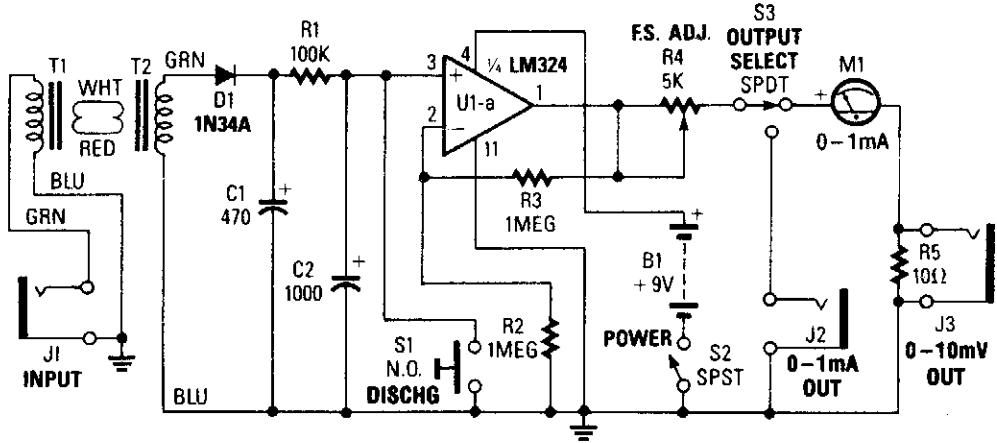
NC = NO CONNECT

ANALOG DEVICES

*Fig. 52-3*

An Analog Devices AD734 four-quadrant analog multiplier is used as a frequency doubler.

## ATMOSPHERE NOISE MONITOR



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Fig. 52-4

Tune an unmodified transistor radio to an unused frequency near 540 kHz that's free of broadcast-station interference; the receiver is used to pick up sferics. The received signal is fed from the receiver's earphone jack through a patch cord to the input jack (J1) of the circuit. The back-to-back audio transformers, T1 and T2, provide a suitable impedance match and signal level when the unit is used with various receivers.

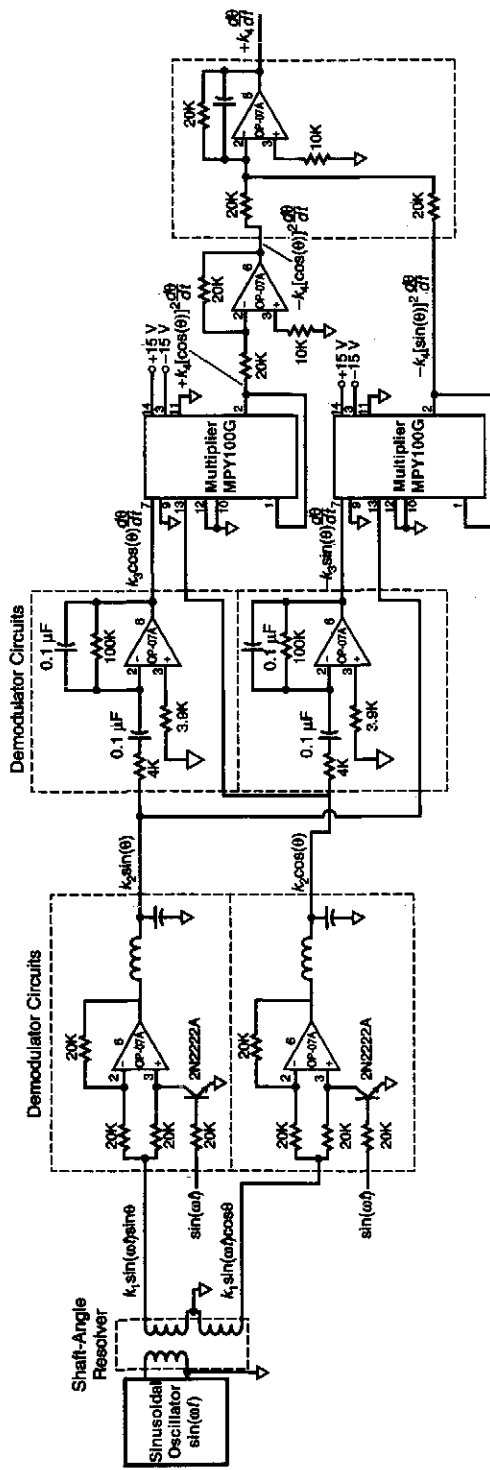
Diode D1 rectifies the audio input from the receiver to pulsating dc, which is filtered by C1, R1, and C2 to provide a time constant of several minutes. That dampens out fluctuations in most cases, unless lightning flashes are very infrequent.

The voltage appearing at the output of the filter is a function of signal strength transferred by C1. Switch S1 is included to provide a convenient way to discharge the capacitors, if adjustments are required during a monitoring session.

Integrated circuit U1 (one section of an LM324 quad pro op amp) is used as a high input-resistance voltmeter. Resistors R2 and R3 determine amplifier gain, and potentiometer R4 is used to adjust full-scale meter deflection for a suitable voltage level at the input. A value of 1.5 V has been satisfactory for use with several receivers tried, but they can be changed.

If the monitor is to be used only as a meter, the milliammeter can be connected directly between R4 and chassis ground, omitting R5, S3, J2, and J3. The latter components provide suitable output for use with a chart recorder having a full-scale range of either 10 mV or 1 mA. The circuit, when powered from a 9-V battery, draws about 1 mA.

# TACHOMETER DERIVED FROM BRUSHLESS SHAFT ANGLE RESOLVER



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Fig. 52-5

The tachometer circuit operates in conjunction with a brushless shaft-angle resolver. By performing a sequence of straightforward mathematical operations on the resolver signals and utilizing a simple trigonometric identity, it generates a voltage proportional to the rate of rotation of the shaft.

The figure illustrates an analog tachometer circuit that processes the input and output signals of a two-phase, brushless, transformer-type shaft-angle resolver into a signal with instantaneous amplitude proportional to the instantaneous rate of rotation of the shaft. The processing in this circuit effects a straightforward combination of mathematical operations leading to a final operation based on the well-known trigonometric identity  $[\sin(x)]^2 + [\cos(x)]^2 = 1$  for any value of  $x$ .

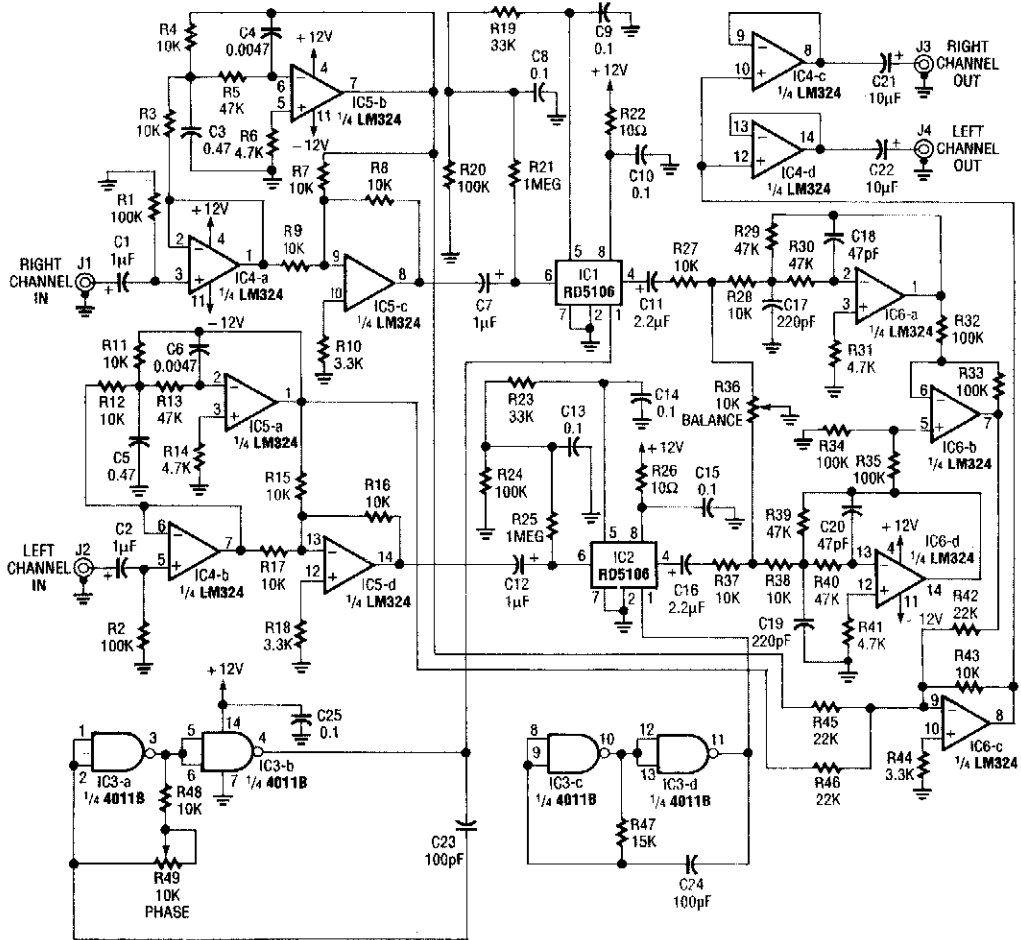
The resolver is excited with a periodic waveform; a sinusoid is indicated in the figure, but a square, triangular, or other periodic waveform could be used instead. Thus, the two outputs of the resolver are  $k_1 \sin(\omega t) \sin(\theta)$  and  $k_1 \sin(\omega t) \cos(\theta)$ , where  $k_1$  is a constant proportional to the amplitude of excitation,  $\omega t$  is  $2\pi x$  the frequency of excitation,  $t$  is time, and  $\theta$  is the instantaneous shaft angle.

The two outputs of the resolver are then processed, along with a replica of the sinusoidal excitation, by demodulators. These signals are then differentiated with respect to time in two differentiator circuits. Notice that  $d\theta/dt$  is the rate of change of the shaft angle and is the quantity that one seeks to measure.

Next, a multiplier circuit forms a product of the demodulator and differentiator outputs proportional to  $\sin(\theta)$ , and the product of the demodulator and differentiator outputs proportional to  $\cos(\theta)$ . The output of the cosine multiplier is fed to a unit-gain inverting amplifier.



## VOCAL STRIPPER



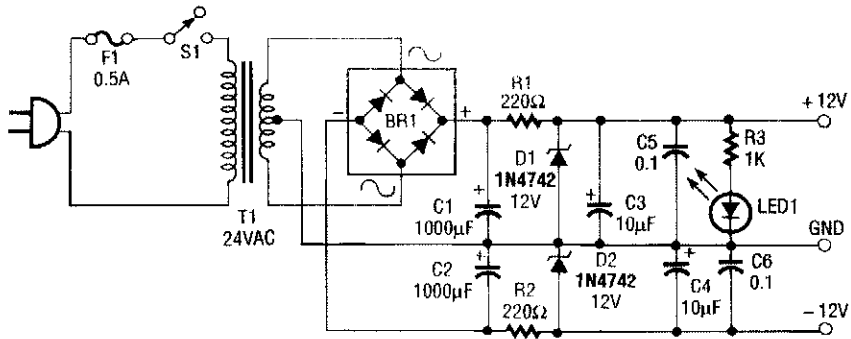
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**Fig. 52-6**

The schematic of the lead vocal filter is shown in the figure. The left and right channel signals are coupled through C1 and C2 to buffer amps IC4-a and IC4-b. From the buffer amps, the left and right channel signals pass through active crossovers IC5-a and IC5-b, sending all low frequencies to a final mixer IC6-c, and all middle and high frequencies to analog delay lines IC1 and IC2, RD5106 256-sample bucket-brigades. Integrated circuit IC2 delays the left-channel signal by 2.4 ms, set by the fixed-frequency clock generated by  $\frac{1}{2}$ IC3, R47, and C24. The right channel signal is delayed by IC1 with a variable-frequency clock generated by  $\frac{1}{2}$ IC3, R48, R49, and C23. Potentiometer R49 is used for phase adjustment.

The output of each delay line from IC1 and IC2 passes through low-pass filters IC6-a and -d, and their associated parts, to filter out high-frequency sample-steps produced by IC1 and IC2. Balance control R36 is adjusted for equal amplitude of the left and right channels. IC6-b is a difference amplifier that cancels all lead vocals that are common to both channels. The resulting signal from IC6-b is remixed with low frequencies by IC6-c and is then sent to the output via buffers IC4-c and IC4-d.

## VOCAL STRIPPER POWER SUPPLY

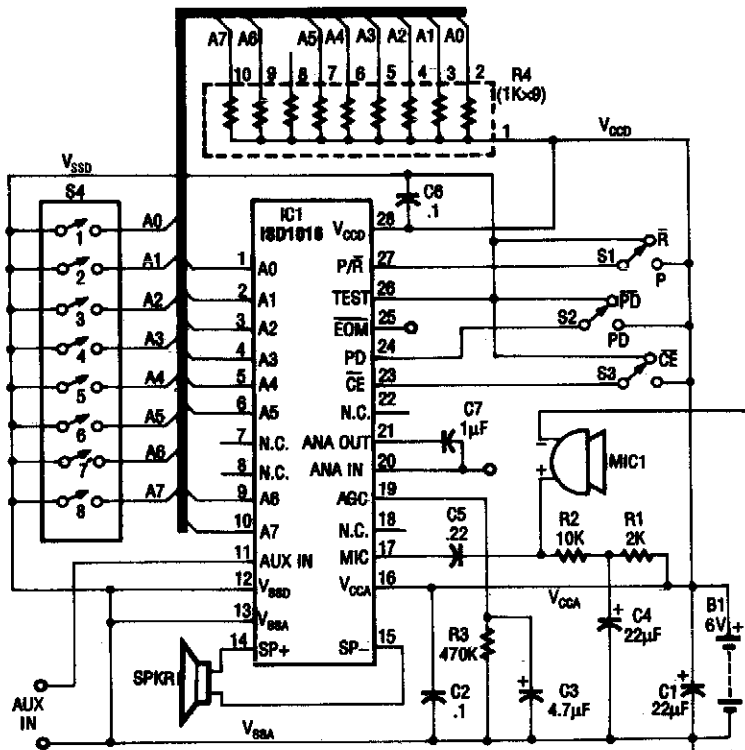


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Fig. 52-7

The power supply schematic for the lead vocal filter circuit.

## SINGLE-CHIP MESSAGE SYSTEM

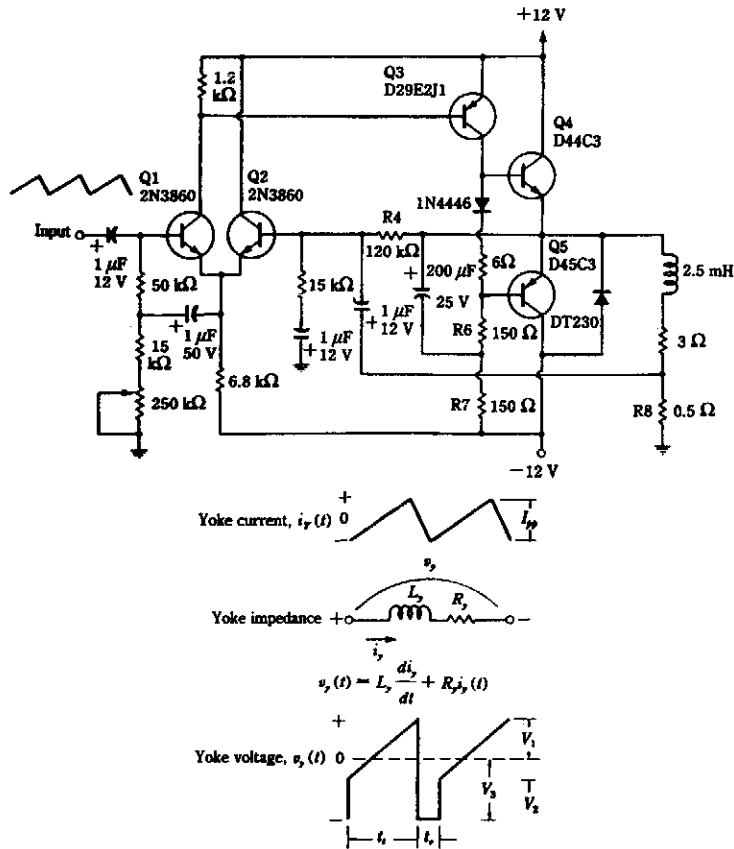


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Fig. 52-8

The ISD1016 is a complete analog audio record/playback system on a chip. The analog signal is sampled and the samples stored in an EEPROM as analog levels. Upon playback, the analog data is read out and amplified. Up to 16 seconds of data (audio) can be stored.

## TELEVISION VERTICAL DEFLECTION CIRCUIT

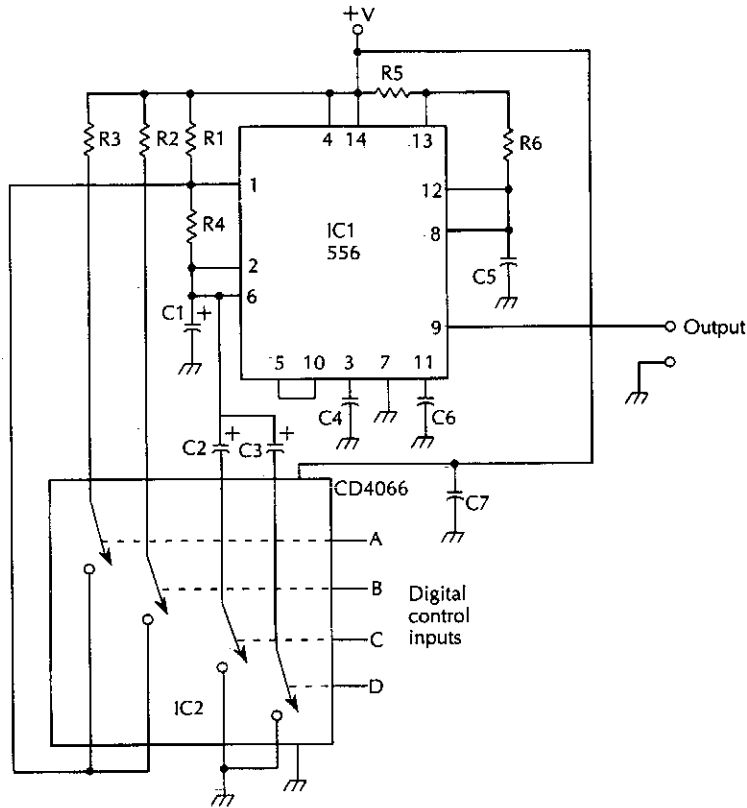


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Fig. 52-9

Two transistors are used to drive the yoke (2.5 mH + 0.3 Ω) in this deflection circuit. R8 samples the yoke current and provides feedback to Q2, resulting in a very linear current ramp through the yoke.

## TONE BURST GENERATOR



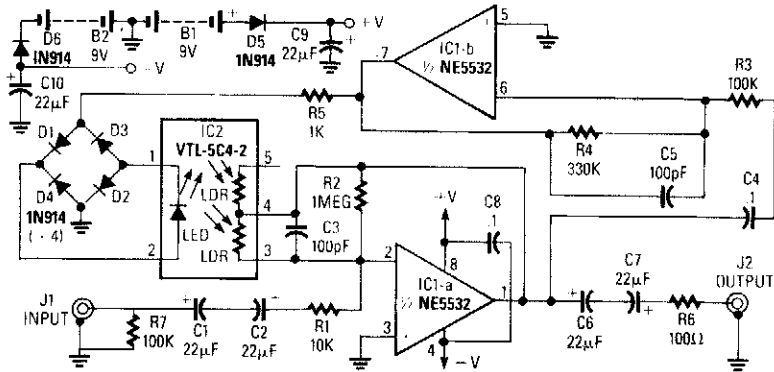
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Fig. 52-10

The burst length is digitally controlled by inputs A, B, C, D. This input selects the necessary values of  $R$  and  $C$ . The circuit shown in the figure generates a burst of tone followed by a silent period, then another tone burst is sounded and so forth. The timing of the tone bursts is digitally controlled via the CD4066 (IC2). A parts list for this circuit is given in the table.

|        |   |        |                                    |
|--------|---|--------|------------------------------------|
| IC1    | 555 dual timer (or two 555 timers)        | C5     | 0.047- $\mu$ F capacitor           |
| IC2    | CD4066 quad bilateral switch              | R1     | 100-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |
| C1     | 1- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor   | R2, R4 | 220-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |
| C2     | 4.7- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor | R3     | 680-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |
| C3     | 10- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor  | R5     | 12-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor  |
| C4, C6 | 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor                   | R6     | 4.7-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |

## AUDIO VOLUME LIMITER

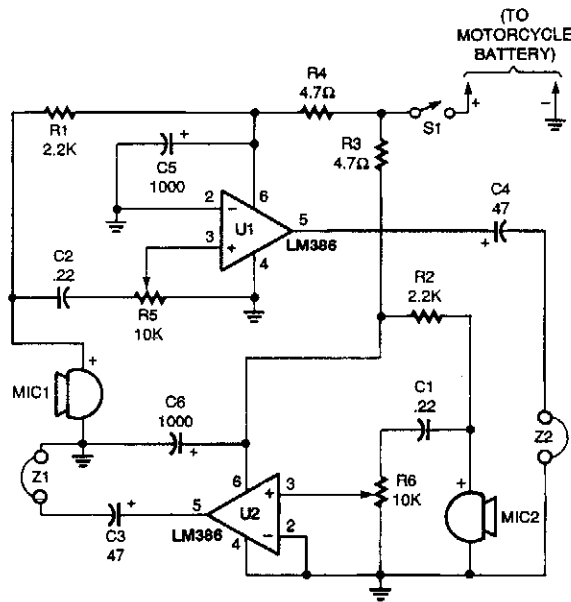


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**Fig. 52-11**

In this circuit, amplifier IC1-a provides signal amplification of -40 to +40 dB depending on the value of the LDR. The LDR (light dependent resistor) is driven by rectified audio from voltage follower IC1b and bridge rectifier D1 through D4.

## SIMPLE INTERCOM FOR NOISY ENVIRONMENTS

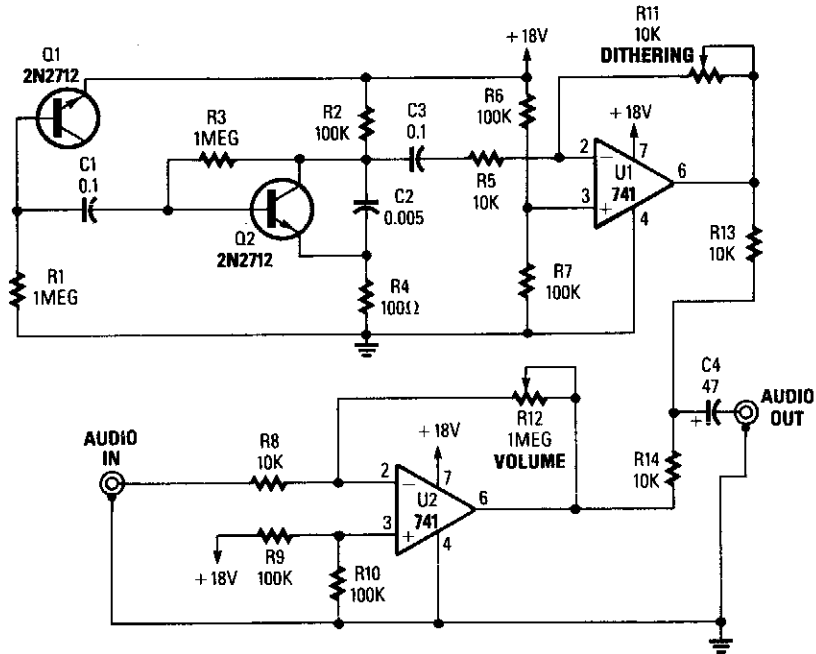


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**Fig. 52-12**

This intercom was originally designed for motorcycle to passenger communications. A simple "passenger-to-pilot" intercom circuit is shown. Two LM386 ICs are connected in a low-gain amplifier circuit with the headphone output of one paired to the microphone input of the other. The microphones are electret elements and the earphones can be of the in-ear type or of the small stereo/mono type that will fit inside a helmet. Both amplifiers in the circuit operate at a minimum gain of 20 dB.

## DITHERIZER

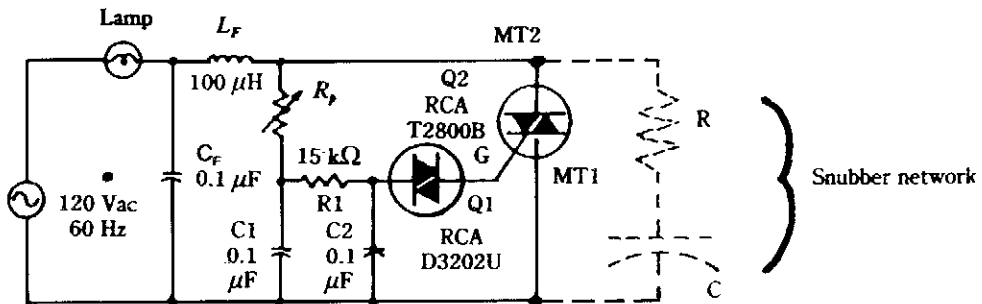


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 52-13

In digital audio, a noise signal of amplitude less than one significant bit is often added to the audio to reduce the quantizing effect and improve the audio quality by trading digital “noise” for analog noise, which does not have the harsh sound. This circuit consists of a noise generator to add a low level of noise to an analog signal to be digitized, or an analog signal from a digital source.

## TRIAC LAMP DIMMER CIRCUIT



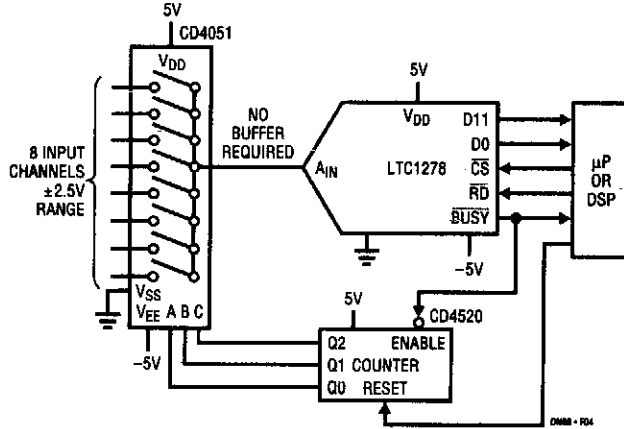
For 220-V, 50/60-Hz Operation,  
replace T2800B with T2800D.

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Fig. 52-14

The brightness of a lamp or lamps can be varied with this circuit. The snubber circuit values are typically 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  and 100- $\Omega$ .  $R_s$  is typically 25 to 100 k $\Omega$ .

## 500-kps 8-CHANNEL DATA ACQUISITION CIRCUIT

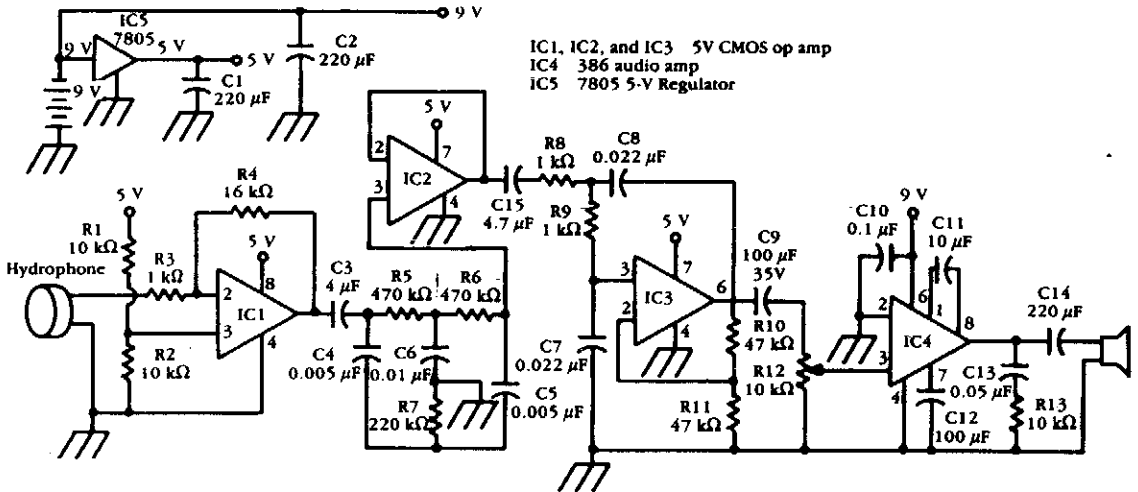


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Fig. 52-15

The high input impedance of the LTC1278 allows multiplexing without a buffer amplifier. Both single channel and multiplexed high-speed data acquisition systems benefit from the LTC1278/LTC1279's dynamic conversion performance. The 1.6- $\mu$ s and 1.4- $\mu$ s conversion and 200-ns and 180-ns S/H acquisition times enable the LTC1278/LTC1279 to convert a 500 kps and 600 kps, respectively. The figure shows a 500-kps 8-channel data acquisition system. The LTC1278's high input impedance eliminates the need for a buffer amplifier between the multiplexer's output and the ADC's input.

## HYDROPHONE

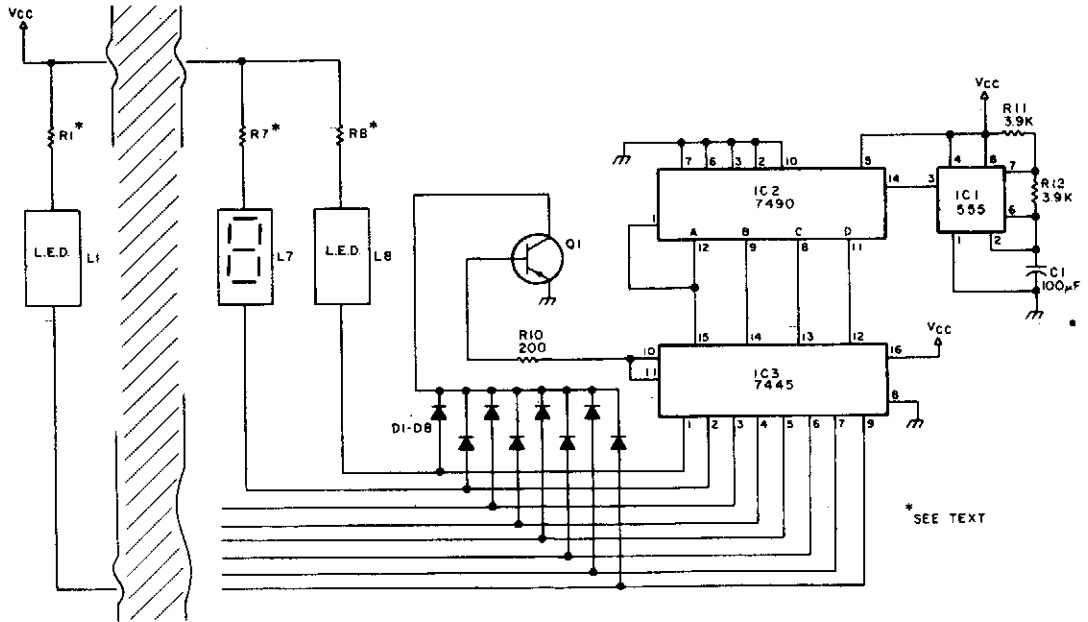


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Fig. 52-16

A commercially available hydrophone transducer is used in this system. The transducer is connected via a cable to the amplifier, which remains out of the water. The hydrophone should be suitably mounted for intended application.

## YOUR NAME IN LIGHTS

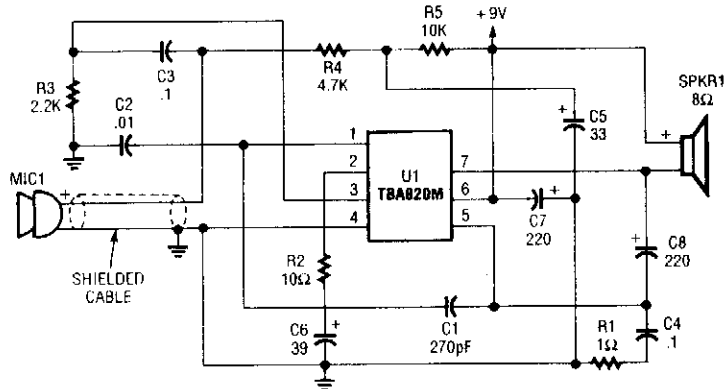


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Fig. 52-17

This circuit will enable you to put a name or callsign in lights using seven-segment LEDs. The display will spell the desired name out sequentially. Select the correct type of LED. Solder the correct leads together to form the letters you want. After mounting the appropriate current-limiting resistor, the 7445 can only sink 80 mA, so a PNP transistor is needed to handle the current required to light the letters. The heart of the circuit is a 555 oscillator into a 7490 decade counter, which is decoded by a 7445 open-collector driver chip.

## UNDERWATER MICROPHONE



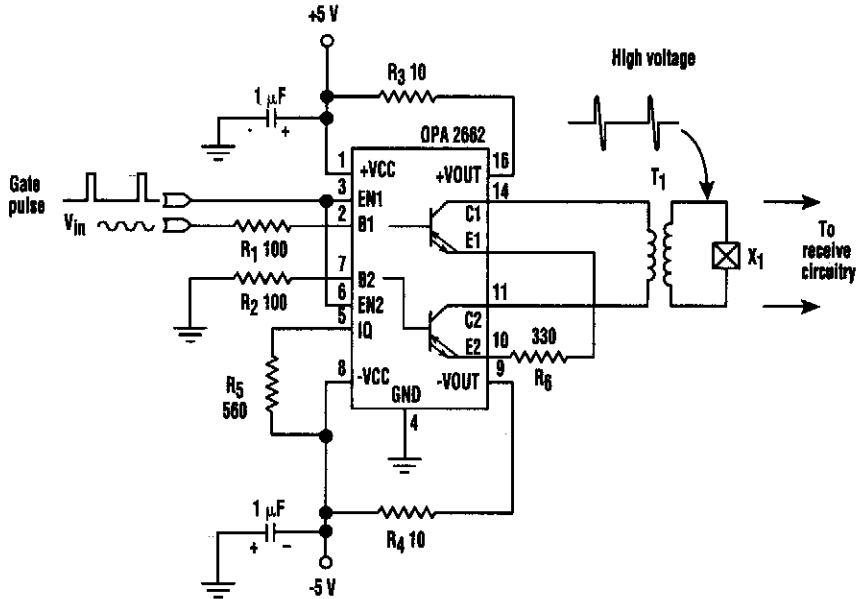
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Fig. 52-18

This circuit uses a TBA820 audio IC to amplify underwater sounds. The microphone must be waterproofed. This project was originally used in a home aquarium to monitor fish sounds.



## PULSE ECHO DRIVER



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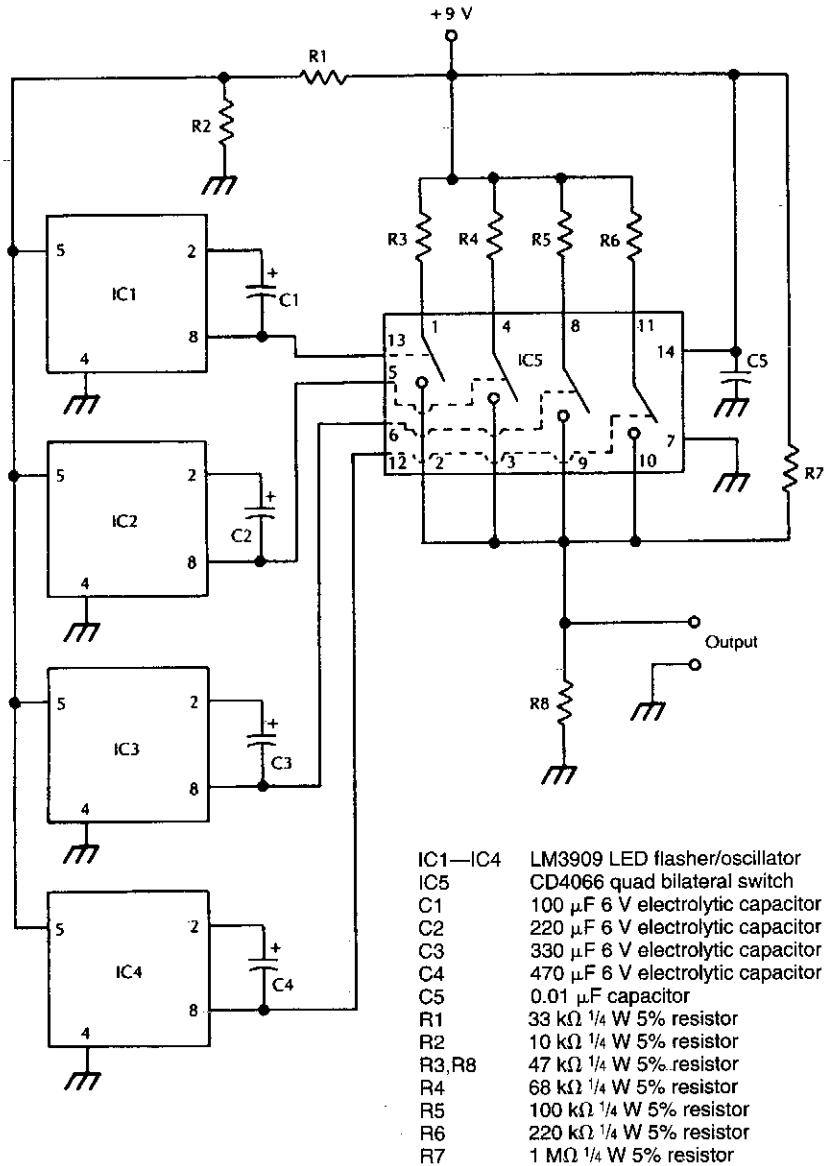
**Fig. 52-19**

This pulse-echo driver uses the OPA2662 dual operational transconductance amplifier (OTA) from Burr-Brown (the receive circuitry isn't shown). The OTA is preferable over an op amp for driving low impedances because it provides a current output rather than a voltage output.

Ultrasonic pulse-echo applications often incorporate a transformer-coupled crystal to obtain a high-voltage pulse because the echo can be orders of magnitude smaller in amplitude. The transformer turns ratio also provides tuning at the resonant frequency of the crystal, which usually means a relatively low-impedance primary winding.

An operational transconductance amplifier (OTA) is preferred over an op amp to drive such a low impedance. One particular application involves a pulse-echo driver circuit using the OPA2662.

## SIMPLE PSEUDORANDOM VOLTAGE SOURCE

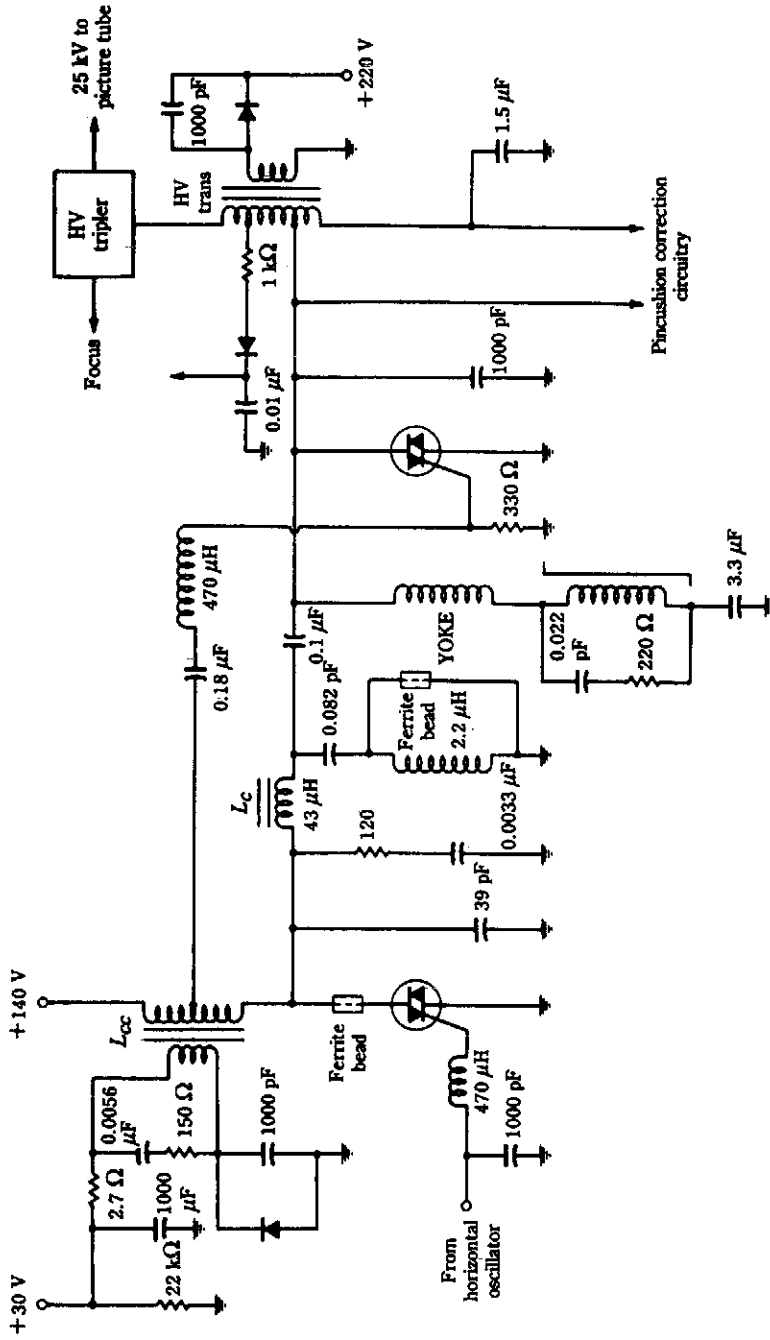


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**Fig. 52-20**

An approximation to a pseudorandom voltage is produced by combining the outputs of four low-frequency oscillators with 0.3, 0.6, 0.9, and 1.4 Hz frequencies. The summing network is a quad bilateral switch and resistor network.

## TV HORIZONTAL DEFLECTION CIRCUIT

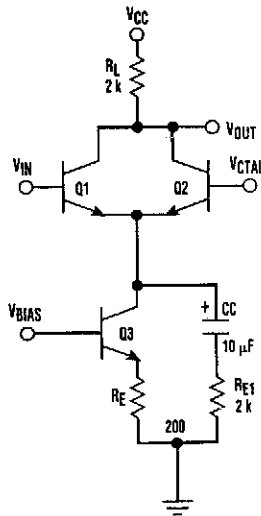


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Fig. 52-21

The circuit illustrates the method of using two SCR devices in a TV horizontal deflection application. This circuit was widely used by certain TV manufacturers as an alternate to the vacuum tube or transistor deflection circuit.

## MUTING CIRCUIT



Notes :

Q1, Q2 should be matched ;

Q3 is not critical .

$$V_{CTRL} \text{ low, } \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = -\frac{R_L}{R_{E1}}$$

$$V_{CTRL} \text{ high, } \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \rightarrow 0.$$

$$V_{OUTDC} \rightarrow \text{constant}.$$

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Fig. 52-22

The circuit operates as follows: The signal is input to  $V_{in}$  and a dc control voltage is applied to  $V_c$ .  $V_{bias}$  determines the desired bias point current. Assuming the following component and voltage values:

$$V_{cc} = 7.6 \text{ Vdc}$$

$$V_{bias} = 1 \text{ Vdc}$$

$$V_{in} = 1 \text{ Vp-p, ac signal centered about } 3.8 \text{ Vdc bias}$$

$$R_L = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_E = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$$

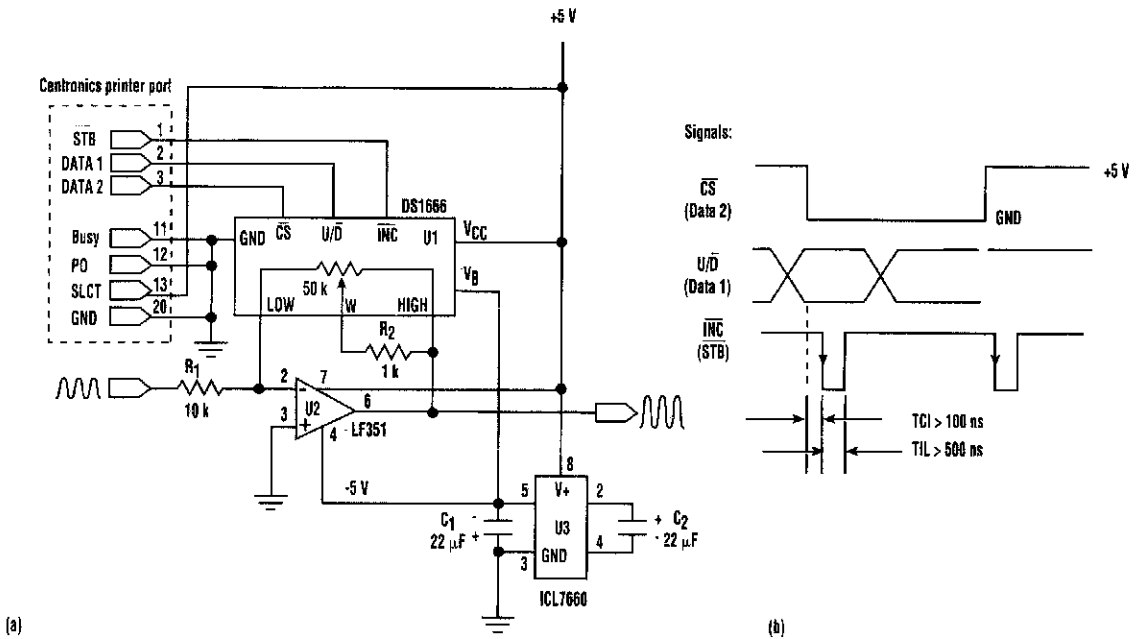
$$R_{E1} = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Q3 bias current is 1 mA, and dc output voltage is about 5.8 V with an ac gain of about  $-1$ , Q1 and Q2 form a current switch and Q3 acts as a constant current source.

For unmuted operation,  $V_c = 0 \text{ Vdc}$ , and all of the bias current flows through Q1. Consequently, the circuit operates as a normal common emitter stage, with ac gain  $= -R_L/R_{E1}$ . When  $V_c = 5 \text{ Vdc}$ , all of the bias current flows through Q2, reducing the signal gain to zero. However, because the same dc current flows through  $R_L$  in both cases (unmuted and muted), the bias point at the output remains fixed. The  $C_c/R_{E1}$  network is required to bypass the Q3 current source (which is a high impedance) to achieve a low ac impedance at the emitter of the Q1 common emitter stage during unmuted operation.  $C_c$  is chosen to be a short circuit at signal frequencies of interest. The circuit works best if the Q1 and Q2 pair is matched. Typical change in the output dc voltage from unmuted to muted condition is  $<5 \text{ mVdc}$ .

$R_L$ ,  $R_E$ , and  $V_{bias}$  are chosen for desired dc operating conditions and signal dynamic range.  $V_{bias}$  can be generated via a  $V_{cc}$  voltage divider. The signal at  $V_{in}$  can be ac coupled, but a bias circuit must be added to Q1's base to generate a dc component.  $R_{E1}$  is chosen for desired ac gain.  $V_{in}$  must be centered about a dc component, and, to assure proper switching action,  $V_{CT}R_L$  must be higher than  $V_{in}$  by an amount greater than one  $V_{BE}$  drop.

## SIMPLE REMOTE GAIN CONTROL



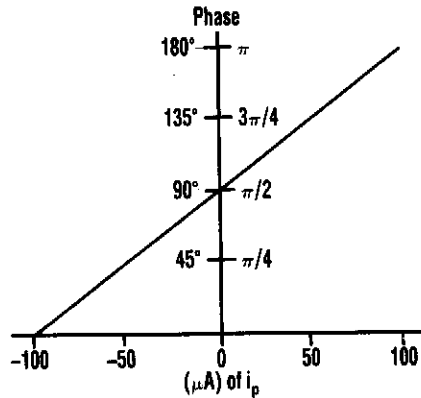
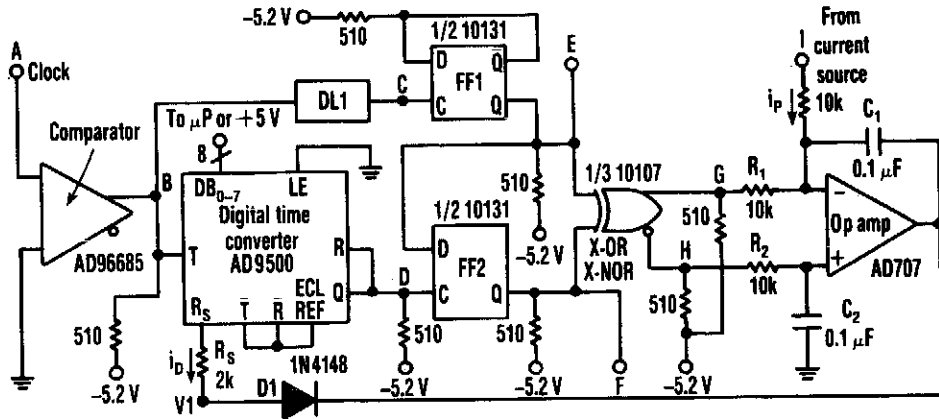
**REMOTE CONTROL OF GAIN** using a digital audio resistor is possible with this circuit scheme (a). It requires only three ICs and a single 5-V supply to provide gain control via a PC printer port. The input signals to U1 from the printer port are given (b).

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100 REM LFGAIN.BAS
120 REM GAIN CONTROL FROM PC PRINTER PORT
200 OPEN "LPT1:" FOR OUTPUT AS #1
210 INPUT "GAIN UP OR DOWN (1/0): "; X
220 IF X<0 OR X>1 THEN GOTO 210
300 REM
310 INPUT "NUMBER OF COUNTS: "; C
320 REM SUBROUTINE WOULD START HERE
330 PRINT #1, CHR$(X);
340 C = C - 1 : IF C>0 THEN GOTO 330
350 PRINT #1, CHR$(3)
360 GOTO 210
380 RETURN
    
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The listing is a test program that demonstrates circuit operation using an IBM-compatible PC. To form a subroutine for a main program, use lines 330 to 380, deleting line 360. The calling program then would pass values for  $X$  (wiper direction) and  $C$  (number of increments).

## LOOP OSCILLATOR ELIMINATOR



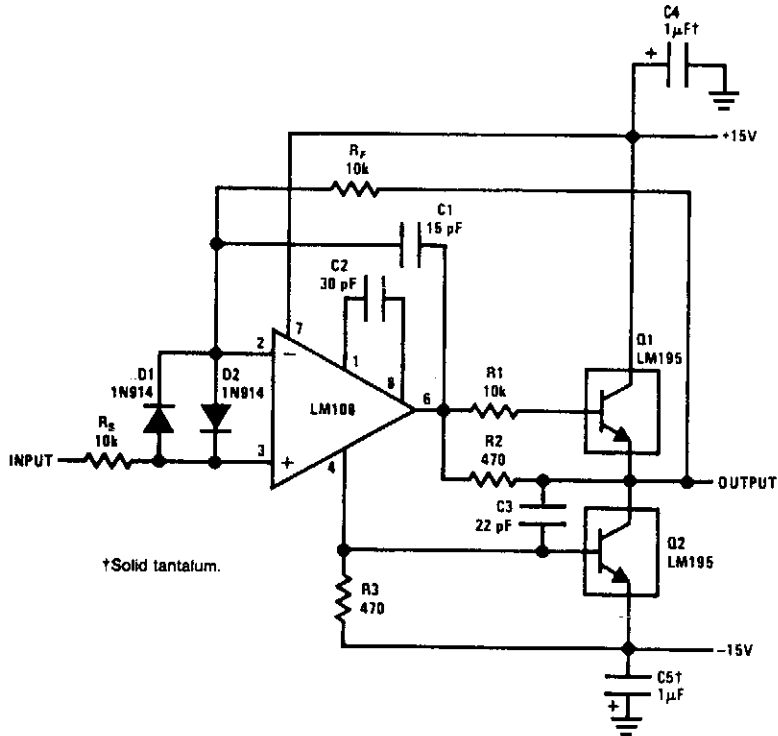
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Fig. 52-24

This circuit uses negative feedback to a digital-to-time converter, and can supply a current-controlled delay to replace the oscillator in a phase-locked loop that handles input frequencies from 40 kHz to 40 MHz.

A current sourced into the inverting input of the op-amp integrator's summing node can phase shift the pulses at F in relation to those at E by up to 180°.

## 1-A VOLTAGE FOLLOWER

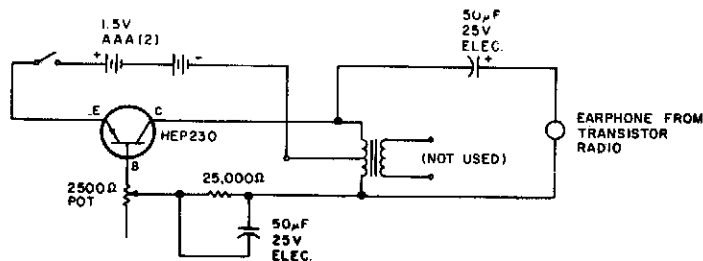


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Fig. 52-25

This power voltage follower is good to 300 kHz.

## ELECTRONIC FISH LURE



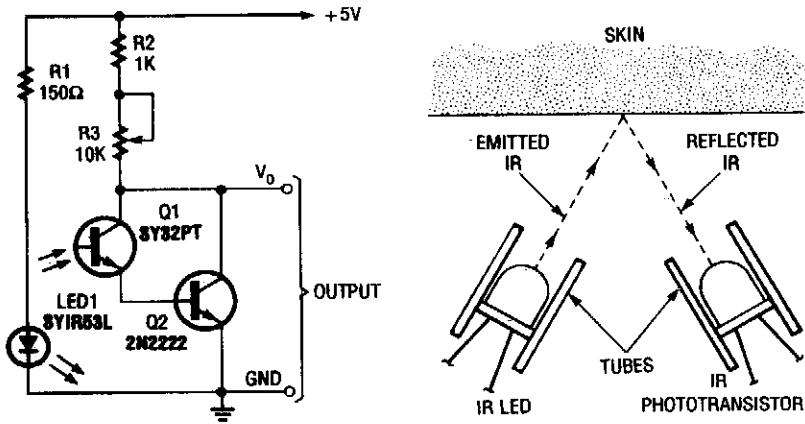
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Fig. 52-26

The click-click sound lures fish to the vicinity, where your bait or lure can do the rest. The transformer is a subminiature type with a 500-Ω, center-tapped primary and a 3.2-Ω secondary. Put the circuit in a watertight container and lower it into the water.

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## HEARTBEAT TRANSDUCER



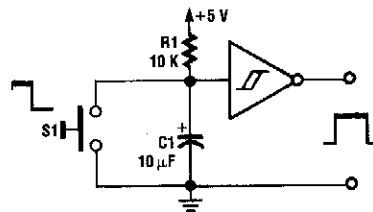
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Fig. 52-27

A simple heart-beat transducer can be made from an infrared LED and an infrared phototransistor. It works because skin acts as a reflective surface for infrared light. The IR reflectivity of one's skin depends on the density of blood in it. Blood density rises and falls with the pumping action of the heart. So the intensity of infrared reflected by the skin (and thus transmitted to the phototransistor) rises and falls with each heartbeat.

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## CONTACT DEBOUNCER



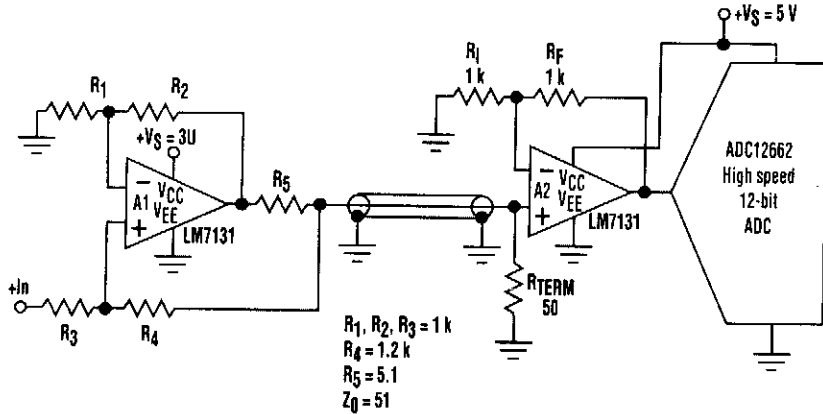
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Fig. 52-28

A contact debouncer using a Schmitt trigger, such as a TTL7414, provides a "clean" pulse from a switch contact closing.



## POSITIVE FEEDBACK CABLE TERMINATOR

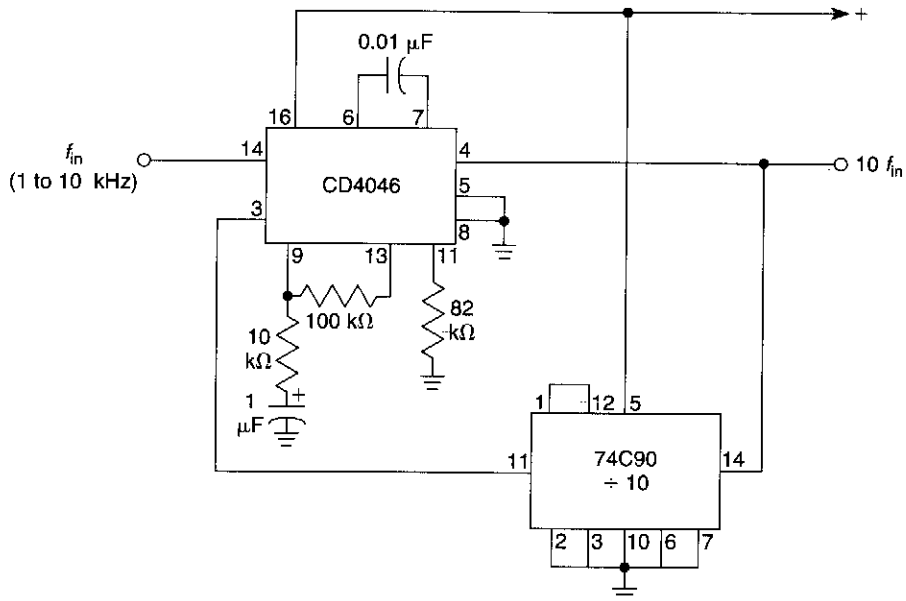


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**Fig. 52-29**

Positive feedback along with a series output resistor can provide a controlled output impedance from an op-amp circuit. The circuit is useful when driving coaxial cables that must be terminated at each end in their characteristic impedance, which is often  $50\ \Omega$ . Adding a  $50\text{-}\Omega$  series resistor on the op amp's output obviously reduces the available signal swing.

## ×10 FREQUENCY MULTIPLIER

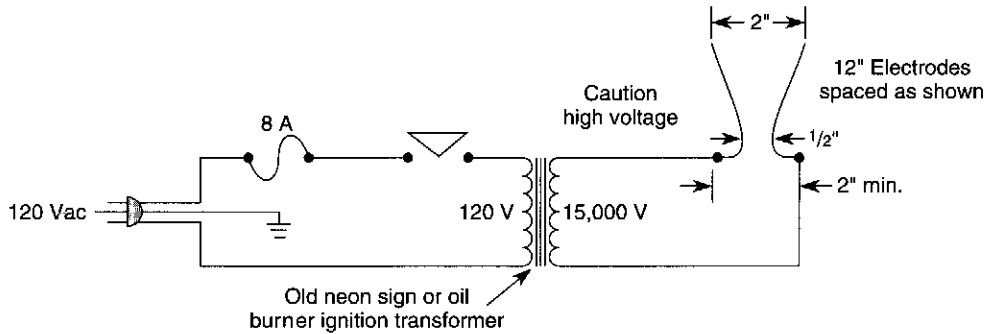


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**Fig. 52-30**

In this circuit, the CD4046 is set up so that the  $V_{CO}$  operates at 10 to 100 kHz. The output pin (4) is fed back to a  $\div 10$  counter. When the input frequency is  $\frac{1}{10}$  the output, lockup will occur.

## JACOB'S LADDER

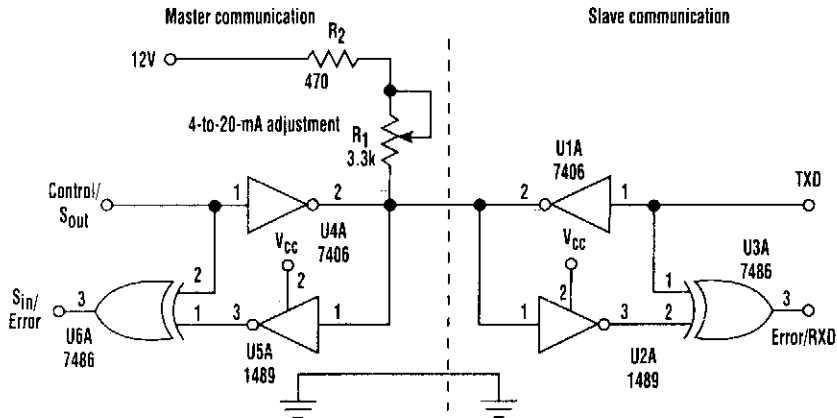


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 52-31

A “Jacobs Ladder” can be made from an old neon sign or oil burner ignition transformer. A rating of 12 to 15 kV at 20 to 30 mA will be adequate. Make sure to mount the electrodes to a pair of insulators, at least 2" apart, and bent and spaced, as shown. The ladder should be enclosed in a clear plastic housing to prevent accidental contact with the high voltage and to ensure a stable arc. Vent holes should be placed top and bottom to allow gases to escape.

## MASTER-SLAVE DEVICE ERROR CHECKER



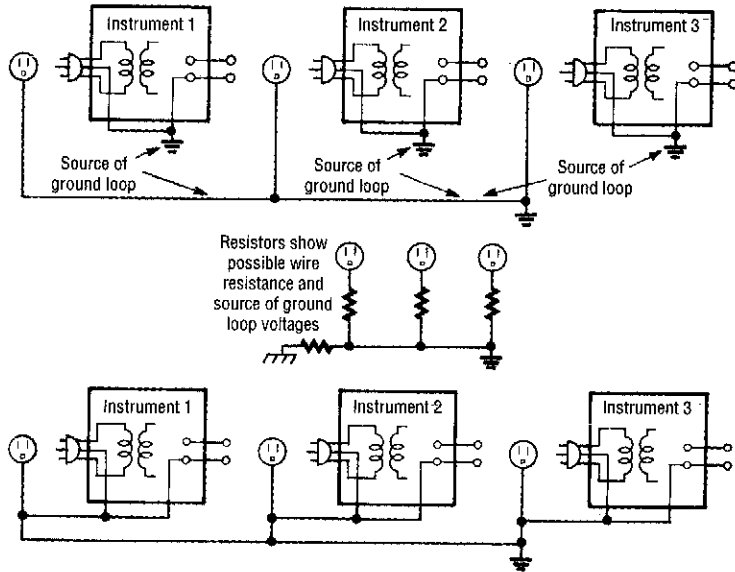
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 52-32

An error-check mechanism introduced into master and slave communication devices can indicate mismatches when both the master and slave start sending data simultaneously. The error flag goes high and indicates a mismatch in the data.

The master is the one that can interrupt the communication from a device at the other end and force it to listen. It does this forcing a low voltage level over the communication line by raising the control line to a high level. This inhibits data flow over the lines from the slave device. As a result, the slave turns into a listen mode (not a hardware feature, but rather incorporated in the software). The slave device can transmit the data after communication from the master device ceases.

## GROUND LOOP PREVENTER

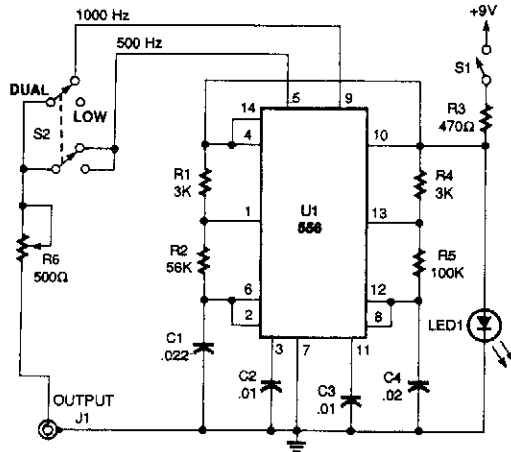


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*Fig. 52-33*

Ground loops are caused by improper grounding. Ground-loop voltages can interfere with test measurements because the voltages in a ground loop can be larger than the signals you're trying to measure. To prevent ground loops, use two wire plugs to provide the line power to the test instruments and a separate wire to bring the input grounds of the instruments to a common ground.

## DUAL TONE GENERATOR FOR AUDIO SERVICING



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*Fig. 52-34*

This dual-tone generator can insert a distinctive tone in the audio section of a circuit under test. That way, you can work your way back from the speaker, stage-by-stage, to locate a faulty section.



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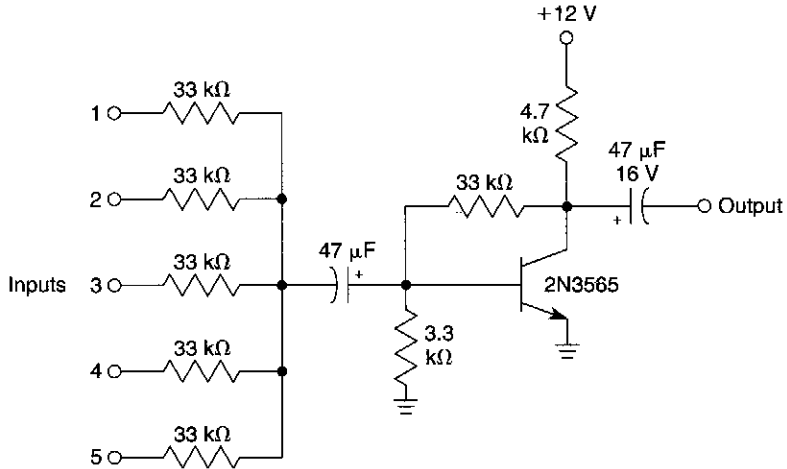
## Mixer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Simple Audio Mixer  
Op-Amp Audio Mixer

### SIMPLE AUDIO MIXER

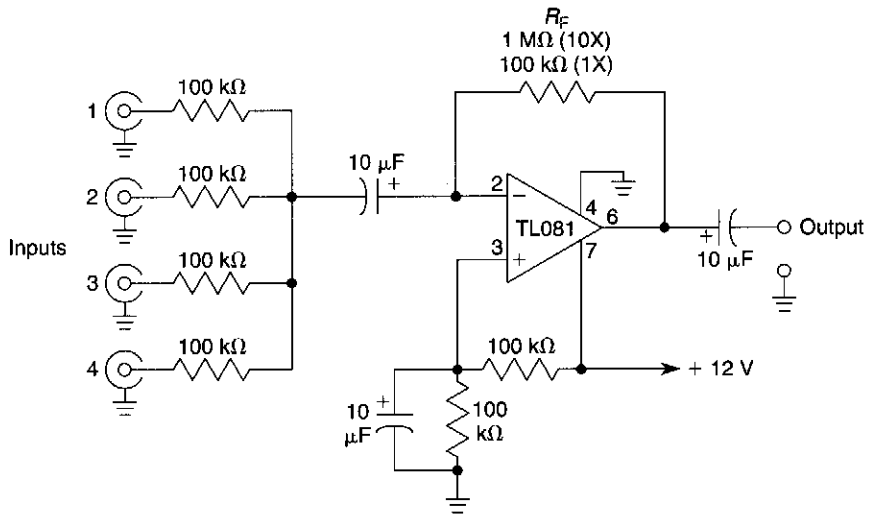


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 53-1

A single transistor is used as an audio mixer, the transistor serving as a feedback amplifier.

### OP-AMP AUDIO MIXER



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 53-2

This circuit will mix several audio signals to a common output.  $R_F$  can be made  $1\text{ M}\Omega$  for  $10 \times$  (20 dB) or  $100\text{ k}\Omega$  for unity gain.

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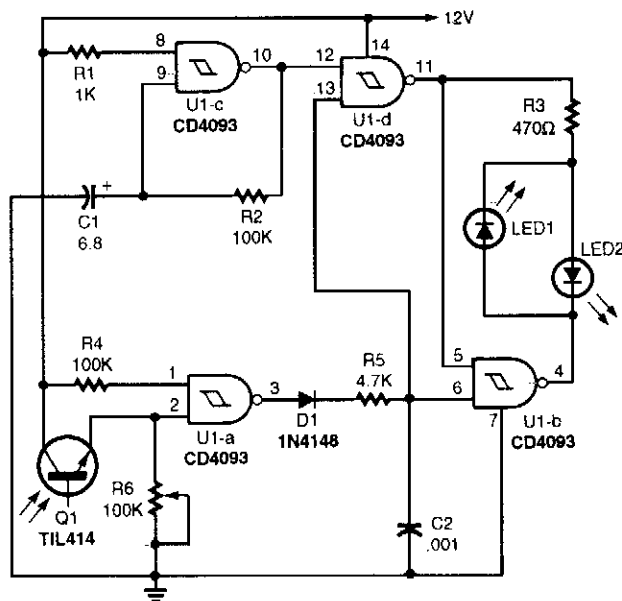
## Model and Hobby Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Model Railroad Crossing Flasher  
Model Railroad Track Control Signal

## MODEL RAILROAD CROSSING FLASHER



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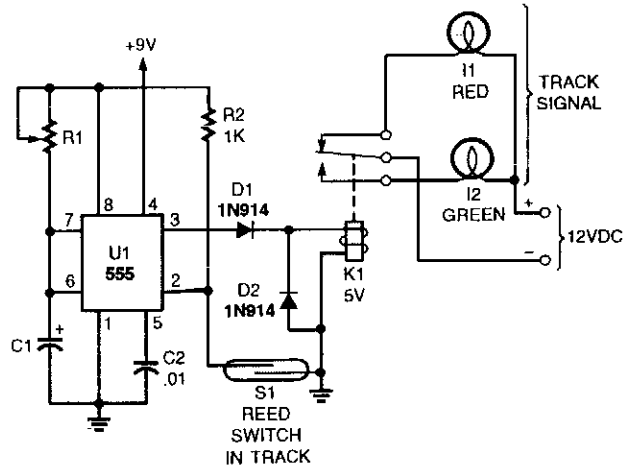
Fig. 54-1

Gate U1-c is set up as an oscillator whose frequency is determined by C1 and R1. Gates U1-b and U1-d are set up as an RS flip-flop that is gated on by U1-a. Gate U1-a in conjunction with Q1 operates as the control gate for the flip-flop. Components D1, C2, and R5 act as a delay circuit to compensate for any light getting through the gaps between cars as they pass over the phototransistors. The light-emitting diodes are connected so that they operate alternately, depending on the outputs of U1-d and U1-b.

Basically, R6 is adjusted so that ambient room-light striking Q1 (and any other phototransistors connected in series) keeps the output of U1-a at pin 3 low. When a car passes over the phototransistor, which is installed between ties in the track, pin 3 goes high, allowing a high to be placed on pins 5 and 13. That allows the high output of U1-c at pin 10 to enable pin 12, which in turn allows pin 11 to go low. That makes a complete path for LED2 to operate. When pin 10 goes low, pin 11 goes high. That makes pin 5 high, and thus, enables pin 4 to go low and completes the circuit for LED1. That alternates the LEDs, which are installed in a railroad-crossing signal.



## MODEL RAILROAD TRACK CONTROL SIGNAL



| RED-LAMP ON TIME (SECONDS) |                 |                  |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| R1 (KILOHMS)               | C1 = 10 $\mu$ F | C1 = 100 $\mu$ F |
| 100                        | 2               | 16               |
| 220                        | 3               | 32               |
| 470                        | 6               | 70               |
| 1000                       | 15              | 175              |

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Fig. 54-2

When a train passes S1 (a red switch), a small magnet glued to the underside operates S1 and causes U1 to generate a pulse, activating relay K1 and changing the signal from green to red. After a time determined by R1 and C1 (see table), the relay de-energizes and the signal goes back to green.

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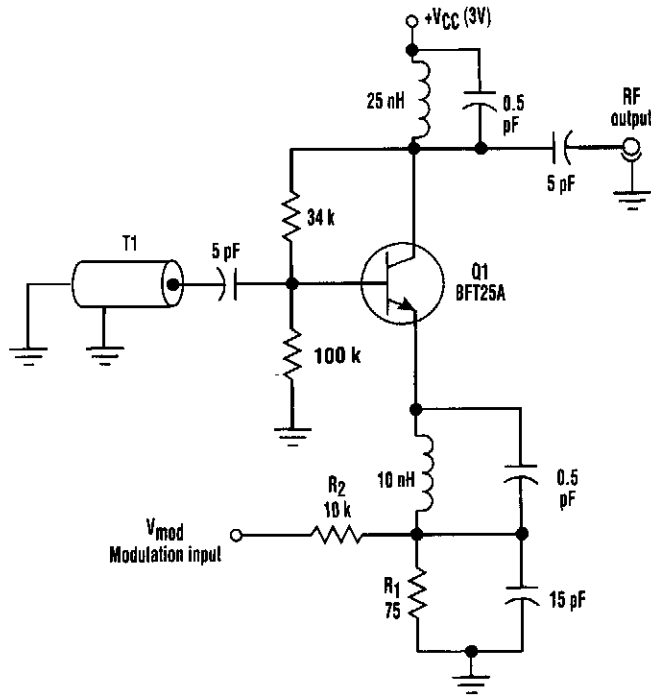
## Modulator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Varactorless HF Modulator  
Modulator for Video  
Digital Pulse-Width Modulation Circuit  
Four-Quadrant Multiplier as DSB Modulator  
Pulse-Width Modulator  
Linear (AM) Amplitude Modulator  
Video Modulator Hookup

## VARACTORLESS HF MODULATOR



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 55-1

Traditionally, high-frequency oscillators are frequency-modulated by using a varactor. However, varactors usually require a large voltage change to achieve a reasonable capacitance change—a problem in many battery-powered systems.

Such a problem can be overcome by employing base-charging capacitance modulation. Resistor R1 establishes Q1's current, and R2 allows control of the collector bias current by  $V_{mod}$ . The transmission line (T1) in the negative resistance-type oscillator determines the frequency of oscillation. T1 is a high-quality, low-loss, ceramic coaxial shorted quarter-wave transmission line. Under proper terminal impedances, a negative resistance is "seen" at Q1's base. T1 reacts with this negative resistance to produce sustained oscillations.

Frequency modulation is accomplished by changing Q1's collector bias current and thus changing Q1's base-charging capacitance. This effect is "seen" at Q1's base and causes a frequency shift in the resonator's quarter-wave node.

## MODULATOR FOR VIDEO

Sources: SAWFs

Crystal Technology, Inc.  
1035 E. Meadow Circle  
Palo Alto, CA 94303

Kyocera International, Inc.  
8611 Balboa Ave.  
San Diego, CA 92123

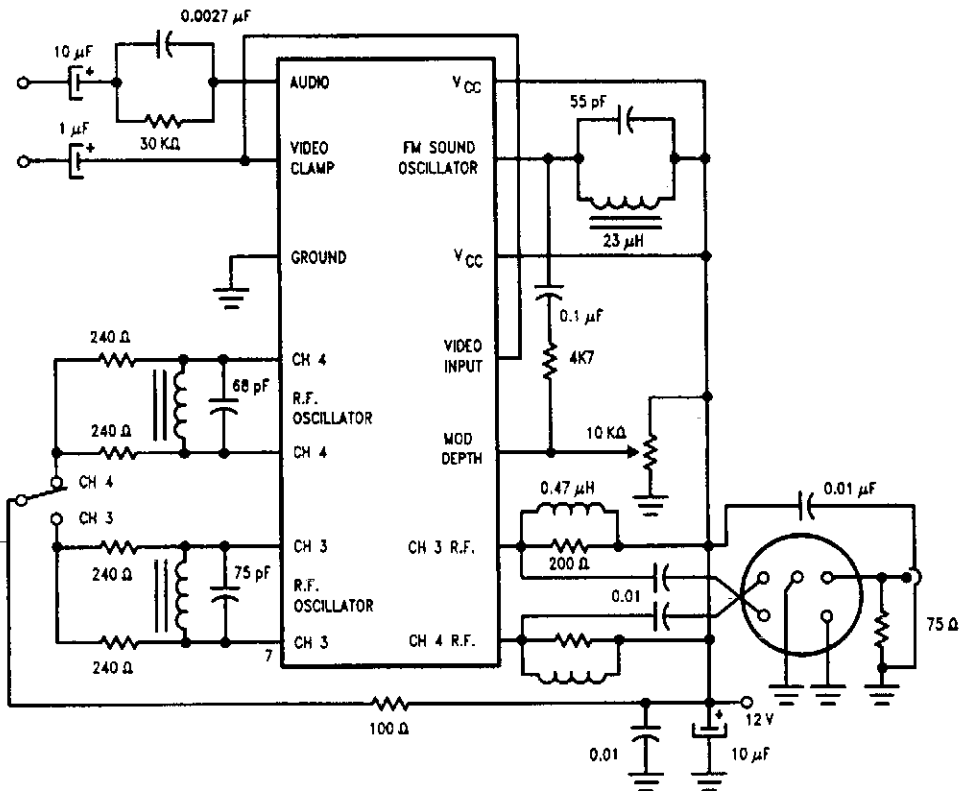
MuRata Corp. of America  
1148 Franklin Rd. S.E.  
Marietta, GA 30067

### CRYSTALS

Saronix  
4010 Transport at San Antonio Rd.  
Palo Alto, CA 94303

### COILS

Toko America, Inc.  
5520 W. Touhy Ave.  
Skokie, Ill. 60077

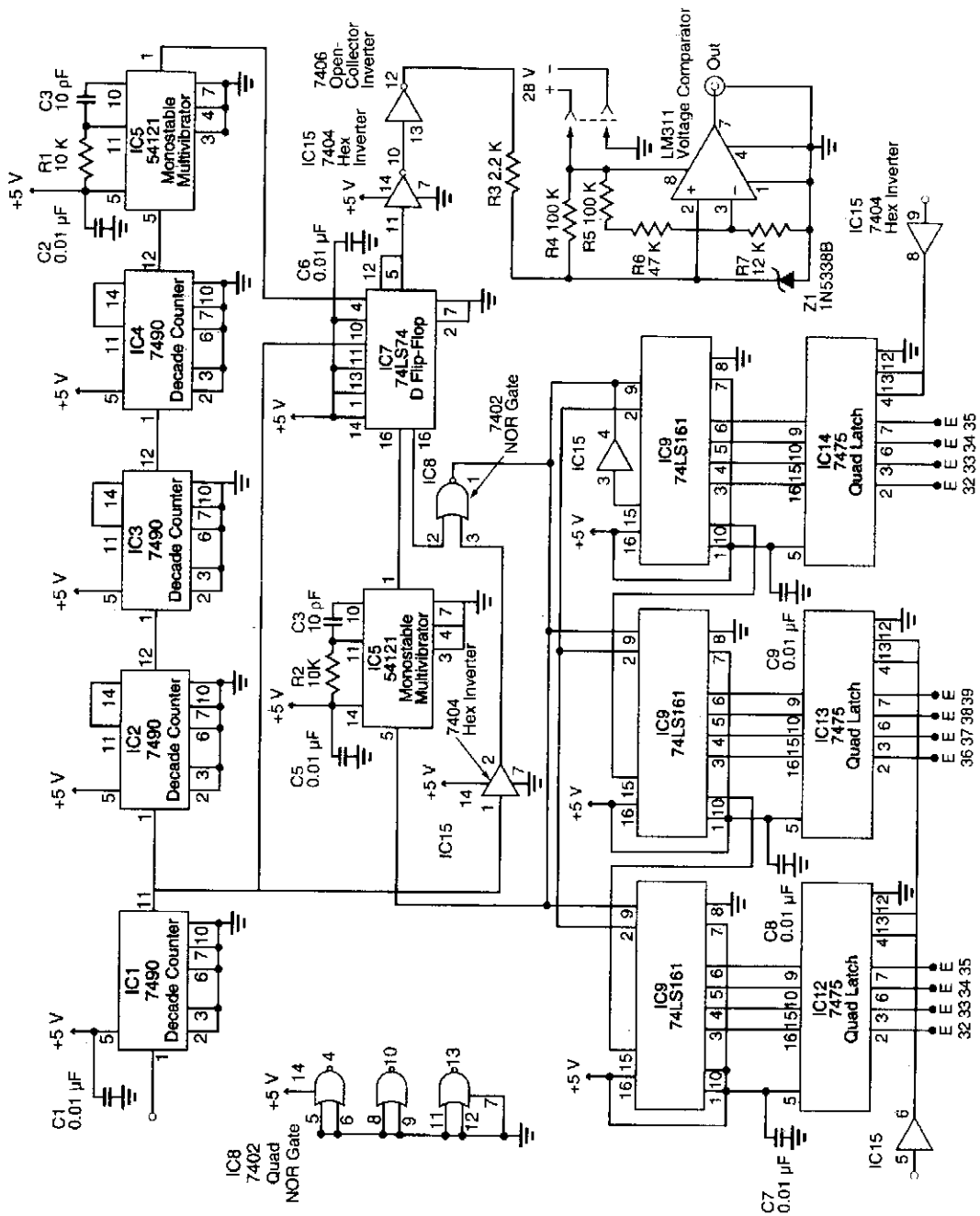


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Fig. 55-2

This circuit uses an LM2889 and a saw filter for use as a TV modulator.

# DIGITAL PULSE-WIDTH MODULATION CIRCUIT



## DIGITAL PULSE-WIDTH MODULATION CIRCUIT (Cont.)

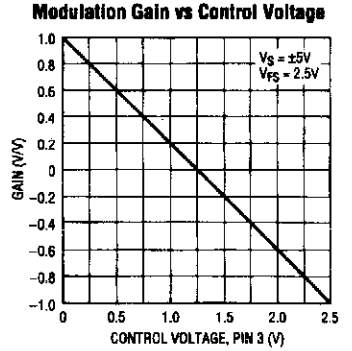
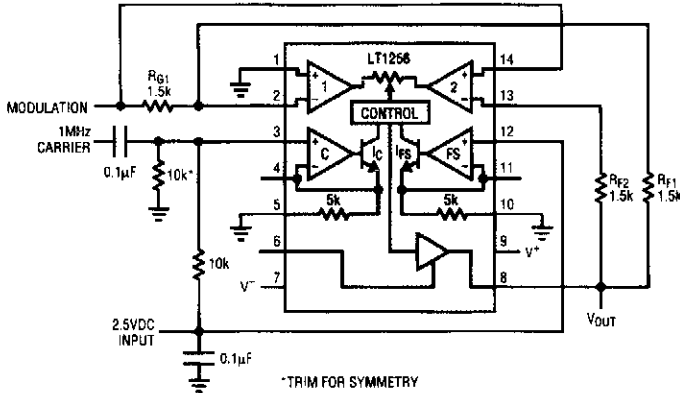
This circuit incorporates low-power Schottky transistor/transistor-logic (TTL) devices in critical high-speed parts. The 5-MHz clock signal is converted to a 1-MHz signal by a 7490 decade counter configured to divide by 5. The 1-MHz signal is sent, via a clock synchronizer, to a three-stage binary divider that consists of three cascaded 74LS161 binary dividers. The synchronizer consists of a 74LS74 D flip-flop, a 7404 inverter gate, and a 7402 NOR gate. The dividers are programmed from the STD bus by means of three 7475 quad latches; this makes it possible to program the frequency division from 1 to 4096 (12 bits).

The 1-MHz signal is also divided by 1000 by use of three cascaded 7490 decade counters, each configured to divide by 10; this provides a 1-kHz signal, which is sent to a 54121 monostable multivibrator configured to provide a 0.1- $\mu$ s pulse, bombarded with an ion beam source in preparation for the materials about to be deposited. While the surface is bombarded with an ion beam, an electron beam source is activated so that a layer of fused silica is vapor-deposited to a total desired thickness value (typically, 1 micron or 10,000 Å). The layer of fused silica serves as a surface stabilization layer for the next step.

A metal mask with an aperture in the specified pattern of the sensor film is placed on the surface at the specified sensor location. The surface area exposed through the mask is cleaned by ion-beam bombardment for a predetermined time. Then as the bombardment continues, a metal (typically, nickel, platinum, and/or palladium) is vapor-deposited through the mask from the electron-beam source to form the sensor film. Deposition is continued until the thickness of the film reaches the value specified in the particular sensor design. A representative value for a nickel sensor film is 2500 Å.

Next, a pattern for thin film leads is defined by taping directly on the surface of the model with Kapton (or equivalent) polyimide tape. The thin film leads are fabricated by a combination of ion-beam bombardment and electron-beam vapor deposition like that used to deposit the sensor film. The metal vapor deposited in this step is typically copper, gold, or aluminum. A typical thickness for copper leads on the nickel sensor film is about 10,000 Å.

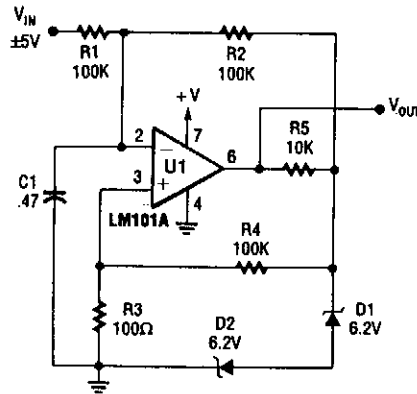
## FOUR-QUADRANT MULTIPLIER AS DSB MODULATOR



LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 55-4

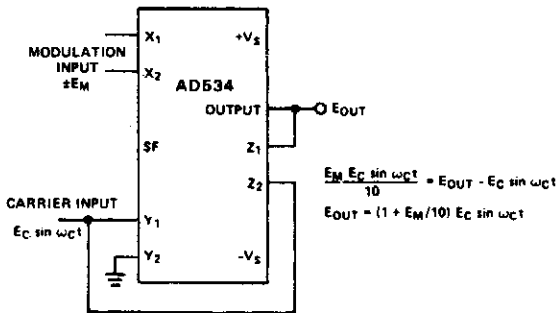
## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR



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Fig. 55-5

## LINEAR (AM) AMPLITUDE MODULATOR

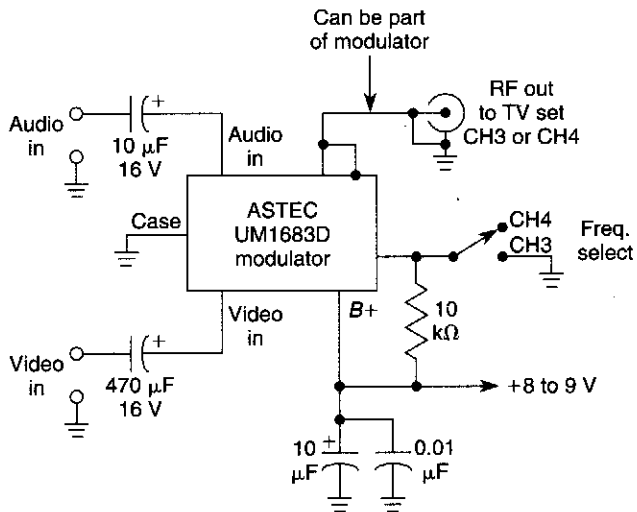


This is a very simple amplitude modulator. It makes use of the Z2 terminal to add the carrier directly to the output, thus bypassing the multiplier for zero-modulation input. It has the advantage of allowing operation from a differential modulation input.

ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 55-6

## VIDEO MODULATOR HOOKUP



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Fig. 55-7

This circuit uses an ASTEC UM1683D, but it is typical of many RF video modulators used in VCRs and satellite receivers.



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## Morse Code Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Active CW Audio Filter

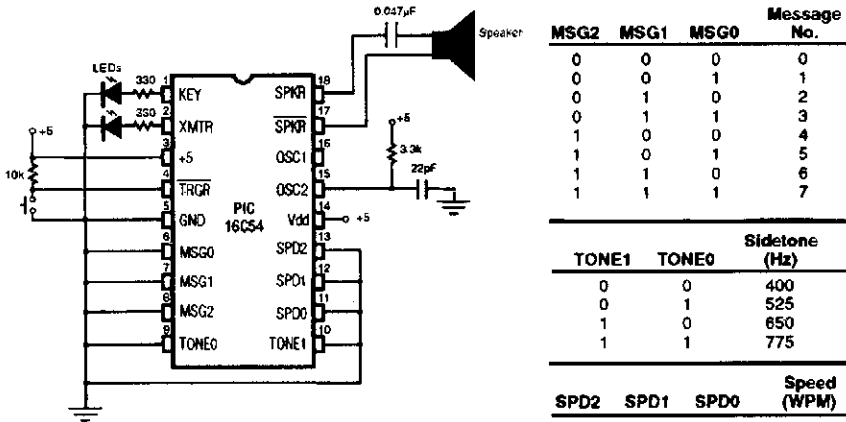
Morse Messenger

CW Identifier with Sine-Wave Audio Output

Simple Code Practice Oscillator



## MORSE MESSENGER



Set up as shown, the chip will play message no. 0 at 7 words per minute, lowest sidetone frequency (400 Hz). LEDs indicate oscillator warmup (XMTR) and keying (KEY).

| MSG2 | MSG1 | MSG0 | Message No. |
|------|------|------|-------------|
| 0    | 0    | 0    | 0           |
| 0    | 0    | 1    | 1           |
| 0    | 1    | 0    | 2           |
| 0    | 1    | 1    | 3           |
| 1    | 0    | 0    | 4           |
| 1    | 0    | 1    | 5           |
| 1    | 1    | 0    | 6           |
| 1    | 1    | 1    | 7           |

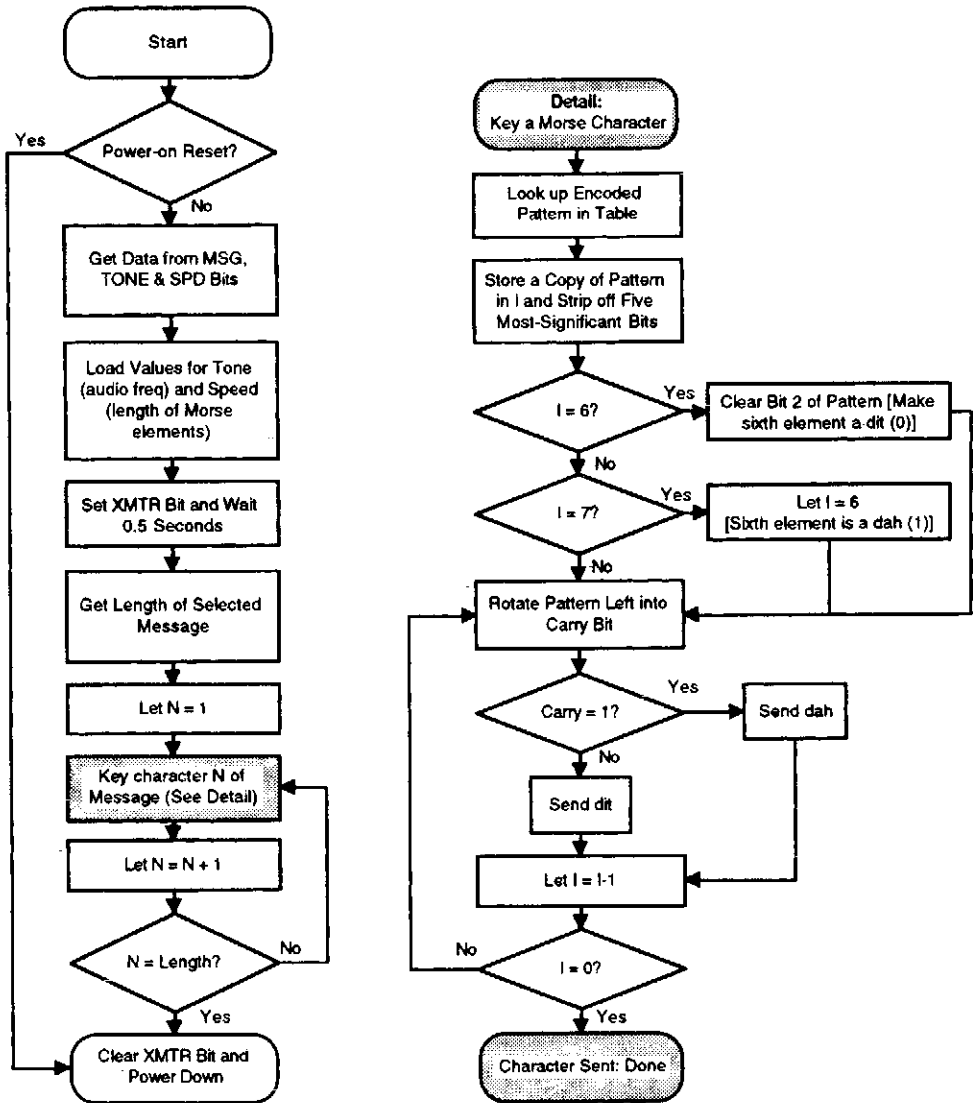
|       |       | Sidetone |
|-------|-------|----------|
| TONE1 | TONE0 | (Hz)     |
| 0     | 0     | 400      |
| 0     | 1     | 525      |
| 1     | 0     | 650      |
| 1     | 1     | 775      |

| SPD2 | SPD1 | SPD0 | Speed (WPM) |
|------|------|------|-------------|
| 0    | 0    | 0    | 7           |
| 0    | 0    | 1    | 10          |
| 0    | 1    | 0    | 15          |
| 0    | 1    | 1    | 20          |
| 1    | 0    | 0    | 25          |
| 1    | 0    | 1    | 30          |
| 1    | 1    | 0    | 35          |
| 1    | 1    | 1    | 40          |

Simple hook-up diagram for the Morse Messenger chip. The table indicates the range of messages, sidetones, and keying speeds.

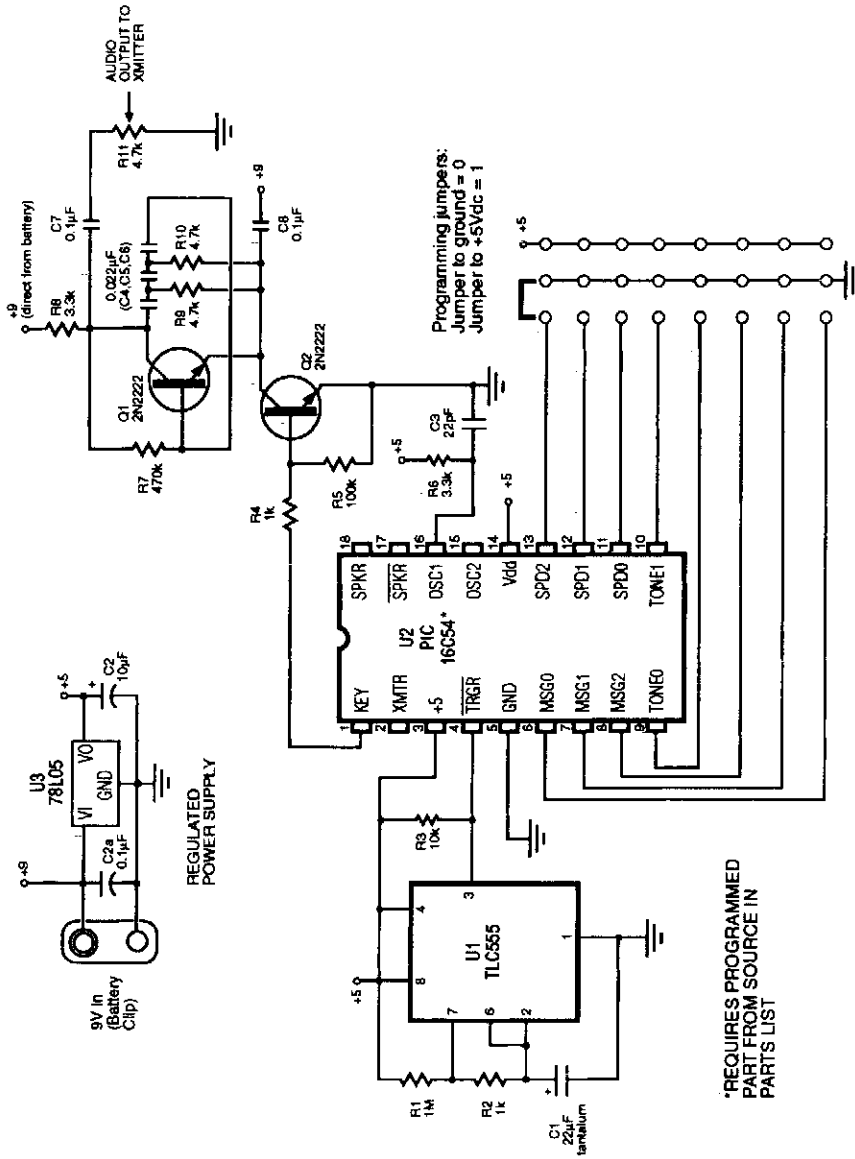
This keyer uses a PIC16C54 micro-controller to generate a Morse code message. The microcontroller must be programmed to suit users call IC or desired message.

## MORSE MESSENGER (Cont.)



Logic of the Morse Messenger's program. This algorithm can be adapted to other devices with the help of the Morse encoding table.

### CW IDENTIFIER WITH SINE-WAVE AUDIO OUTPUT



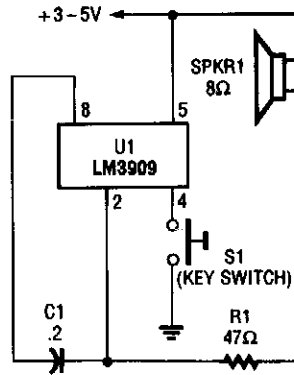
73 AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

Fig. 56-3

This identifier can be used to drive a hidden transmitter in a radio "fox hunt" activity, where the object is to locate a hidden transmitter.

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## SIMPLE CODE PRACTICE OSCILLATOR



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*Fig. 56-4*

With only a minor circuit change, the basic LM3909 oscillator configuration can be turned into a code-practice oscillator.

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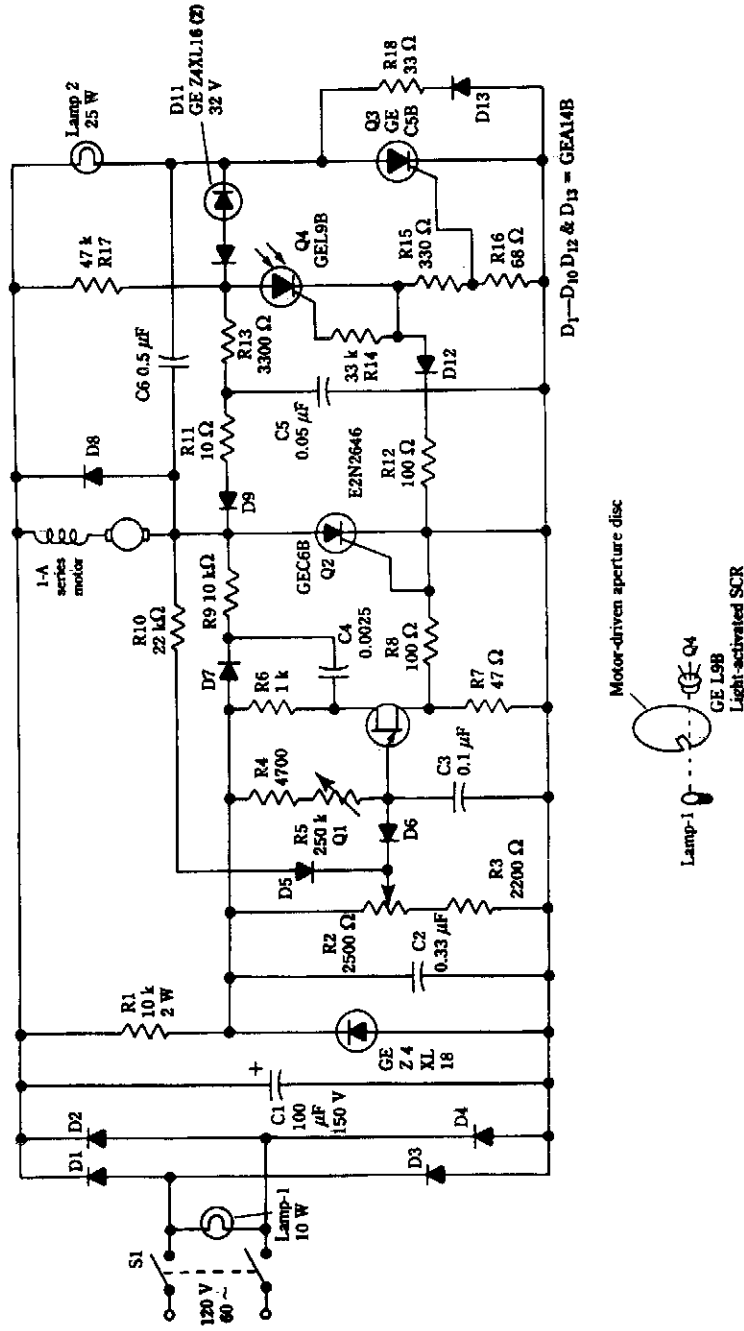
## Motor-Control Circuits

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Precise dc Motor Speed Controller  
Accurate Motor Speed Control  
Motor Direction Control Using Discrete Transistors  
Long Time-Delay Motor-Control Circuit  
Full-Wave Speed Control for Motors  
SCR Motor Speed Control  
Triac Motor-Control Circuit  
Low-Voltage dc Motor-Speed Controller  
Motor Direction Control

# PRECISE dc MOTOR SPEED CONTROLLER



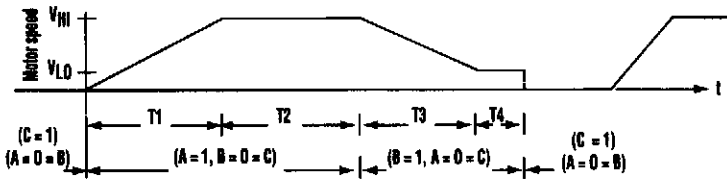
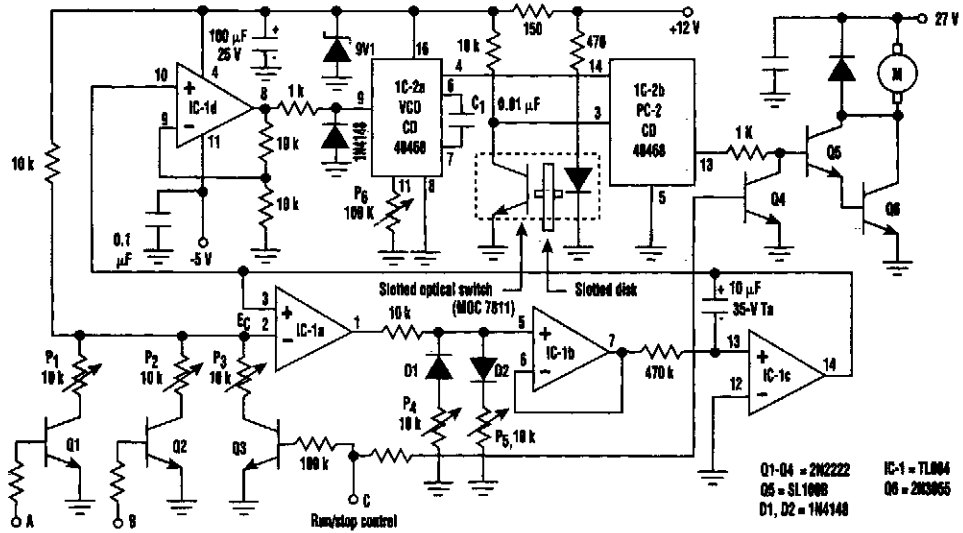
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Fig. 57-1

A series dc motor can be made to have the same characteristics as an ac synchronous motor using this circuit. This control technique is useful where a constant motor speed is needed.



## ACCURATE MOTOR SPEED CONTROL



This motor velocity profile is provided by the controller. Note the smooth acceleration and deceleration profiles and the constant motor speed between the two ramps.

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 57-2**

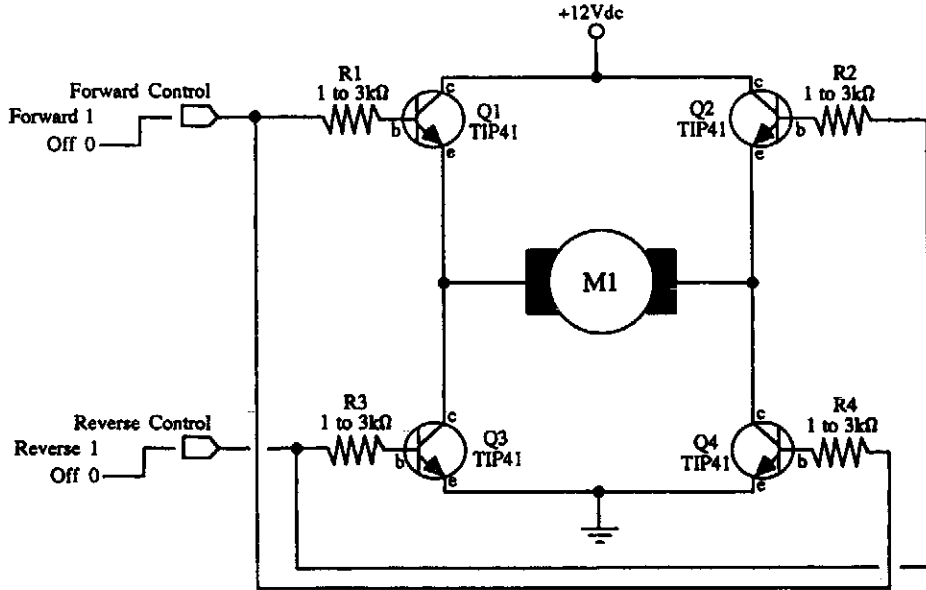
This circuit can control dc motors used in machines that pull materials, such as wire, yarn, film, etc., from the supply rolls and rewind them onto smaller rolls. Its motor velocity profile is shown in the figure.

A lightweight disk with at least 32 slots is mounted on the motor shaft. It works in a slotted optical switch (MOC7811) to sense the motor speed. Phase comparator 2 (PC-2) of the phase-locked loop (IC-CD 4046B) compares the frequency ( $f_v$ ) at the output of the VCO with the pulse rate ( $f_m$ ) at the optical switch output. The PC-2 output drives the motor via the transistors when  $f_v > f_m$ , and removes the supply to the motor when  $f_m > f_v$ . The drive system quickly reaches an equilibrium condition when  $f_m = f_v$ .

Op amps IC-1a, 1b, and 1c form a tracking integrator whose output always smoothly reaches and remains at a voltage equal to the command voltage ( $E_c$ ) presented at the inverting input of op-amp IC-1a. When the digital control inputs are set to ( $A = 1, B = 0 = C$ ), the integrator generates a positive slope ramp that sweeps the VCO frequency and, thus, accelerates the motor. The acceleration rate and the constant speed  $V_{HI}$  can be adjusted by presets P4 and P1, respectively.

Similarly, when the inputs are set to ( $A = 0 = C, B = 1$ ), the integrator generates a negative slope ramp that decelerates the motor. Presets P5 and P2 can be adjusted to set the required deceleration and the constant speed  $V_{LO}$ , respectively.

## MOTOR DIRECTION CONTROL USING DISCRETE TRANSISTORS

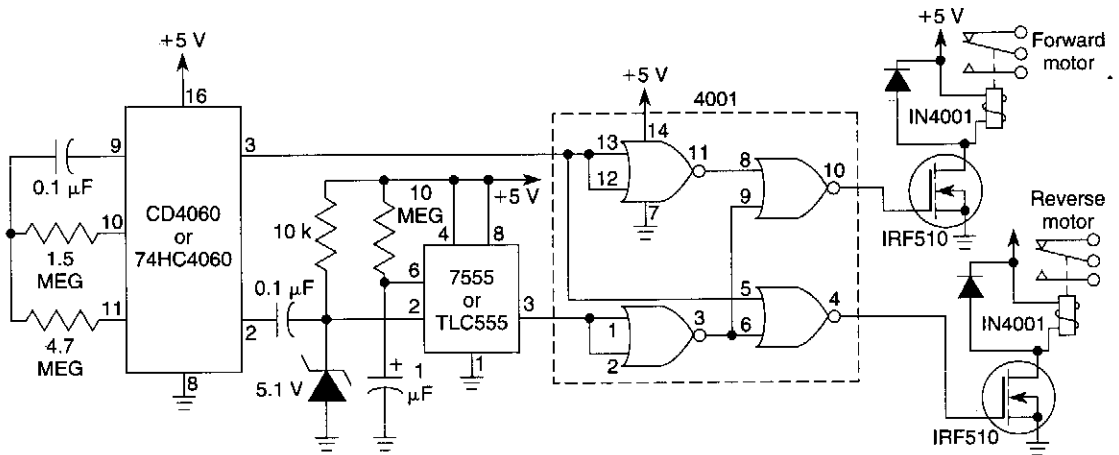


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Fig. 57-3

For best operation, mount the transistors on heatsinks. The transistors specified are fine for small hobby motors, or up to about 6 volts dc and between 800 and 1000 mA. M1 is a small hobby motor.

## LONG TIME-DELAY MOTOR-CONTROL CIRCUIT

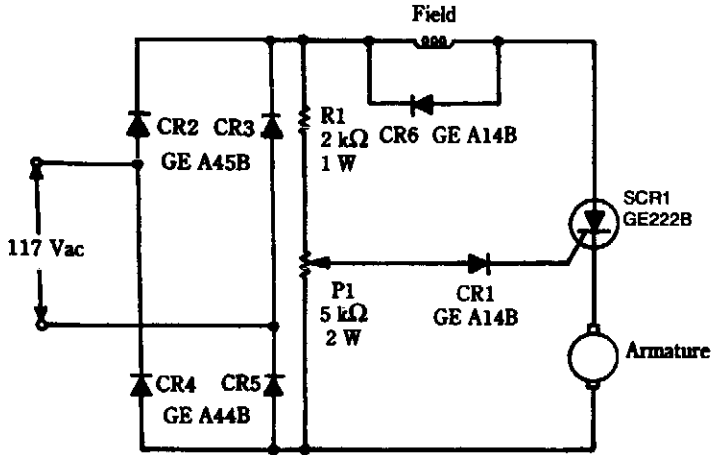


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Fig. 57-4

Circuit controls forward and reverse motors. Every hour, one motor runs for 10 seconds.

## FULL-WAVE SPEED CONTROL FOR MOTORS

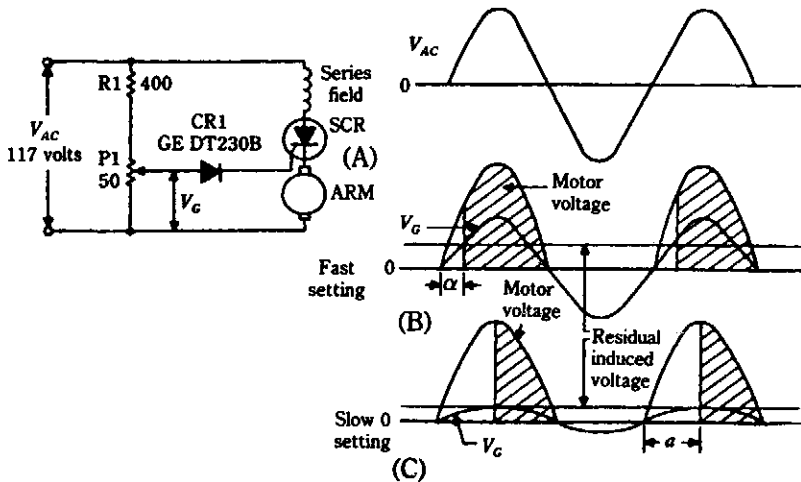


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Fig. 57-5

A bridge rectifier provides pulsating dc to a universal motor, and the SCR is used as a phase-controlled switch. This circuit allows smoother operation of the motor at low speeds.

## SCR MOTOR SPEED CONTROL

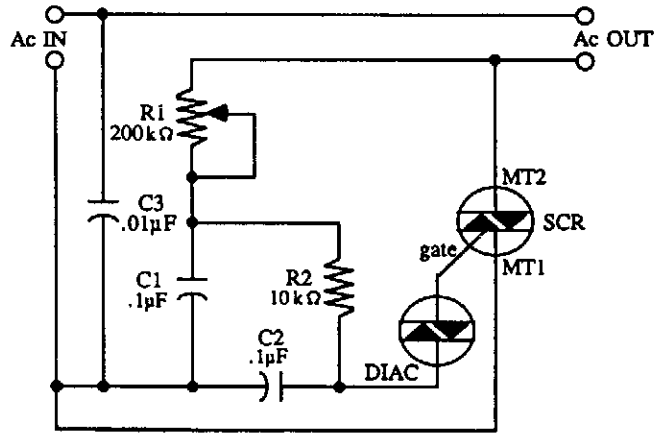


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Fig. 57-6

An SCR is used in a phase-control type application to supply a variable pulsating dc voltage to a motor.

### TRIAC MOTOR-CONTROL CIRCUIT

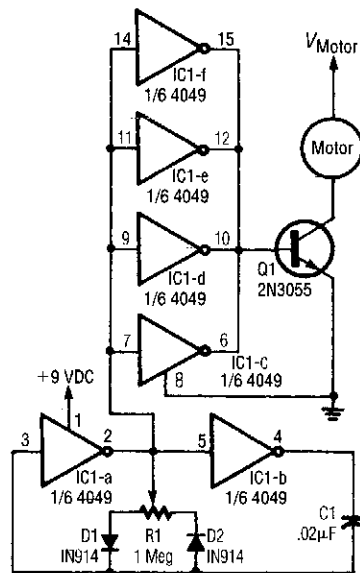


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Fig. 57-7

An SCR-controlled ac motor control circuit. This is a full-wave circuit and is best used when the load remains constant.

### LOW-VOLTAGE dc MOTOR-SPEED CONTROLLER

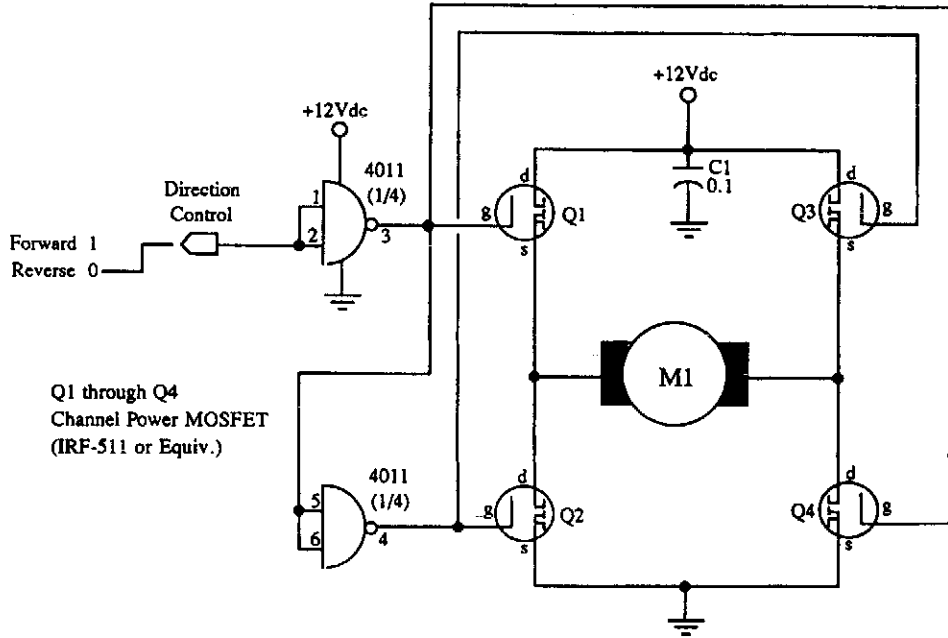


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Fig. 57-8

This circuit varies the duty cycle, rather than the voltage. The two diodes control the positive and negative halves of the capacitor's charging cycle.

## MOTOR DIRECTION CONTROL



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Fig. 57-9

M1 is a small hobby dc motor.

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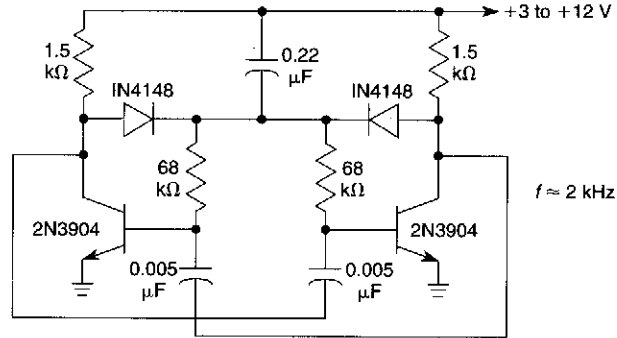
## Multivibrator Circuits

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- Astable Multivibrator with Starting Network
- Bistable Multivibrator
- Astable
- Astable with Variable Pulse Width
- One-Shot Multivibrator
- Basic 555 Astable Multivibrator
- Astable Multivibrator

## ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR WITH STARTING NETWORK

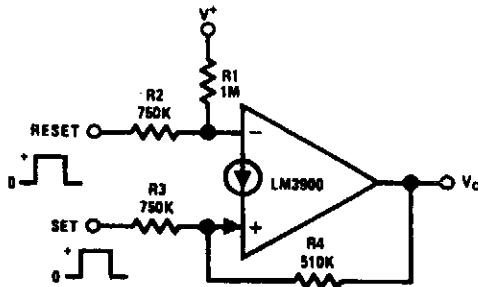


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Fig. 58-1

This circuit will start with a slowly rising supply voltage waveform.

## BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR

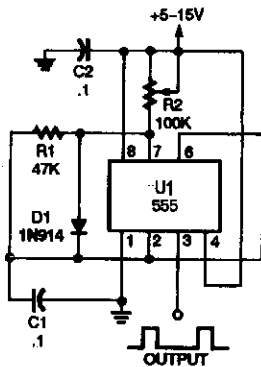


Positive feedback is provided by resistor R4, which causes the latching. A positive pulse at the "set" input causes the output to go high and a "reset" positive pulse will return the output to essentially 0 Vdc.

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Fig. 58-2

## ASTABLE

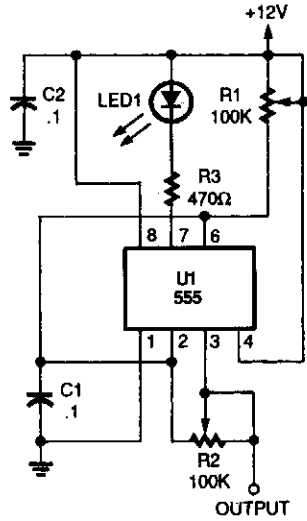


At the instant that power is applied to the 555 astable, timing capacitor C1 is initially discharged, causing the output of the chip output at pin 3 to be high. Once C1 has charged to about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the supply voltage, its output goes low, and the discharge transistor turns on, draining the charge on C1.

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Fig. 58-3

### ASTABLE WITH VARIABLE PULSE WIDTH

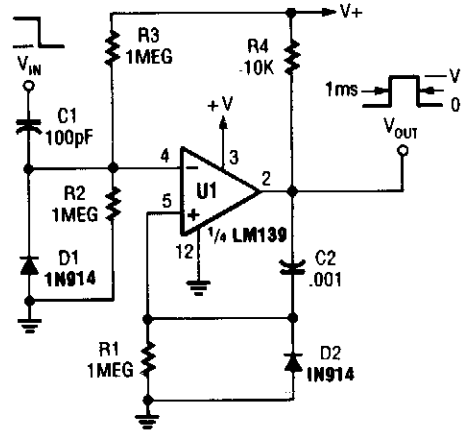


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-4

This produces a positive variable width pulse and has a symmetry control. R1 and R2 control the pulse width and symmetry.

### ONE-SHOT MULTIVIBRATOR

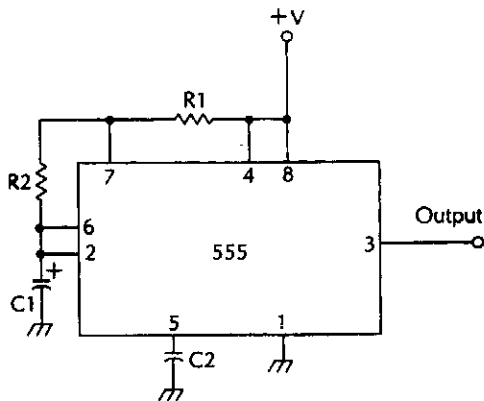


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 58-5

An LM139 section can be used as a one shot.

### BASIC 555 ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



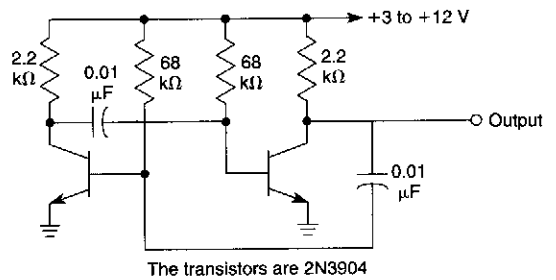
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Fig. 58-6

$$F = 1.44$$

$$(R_1 + 2R_2) C_1$$

### ASTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 58-7



# 59

## Noise Circuits

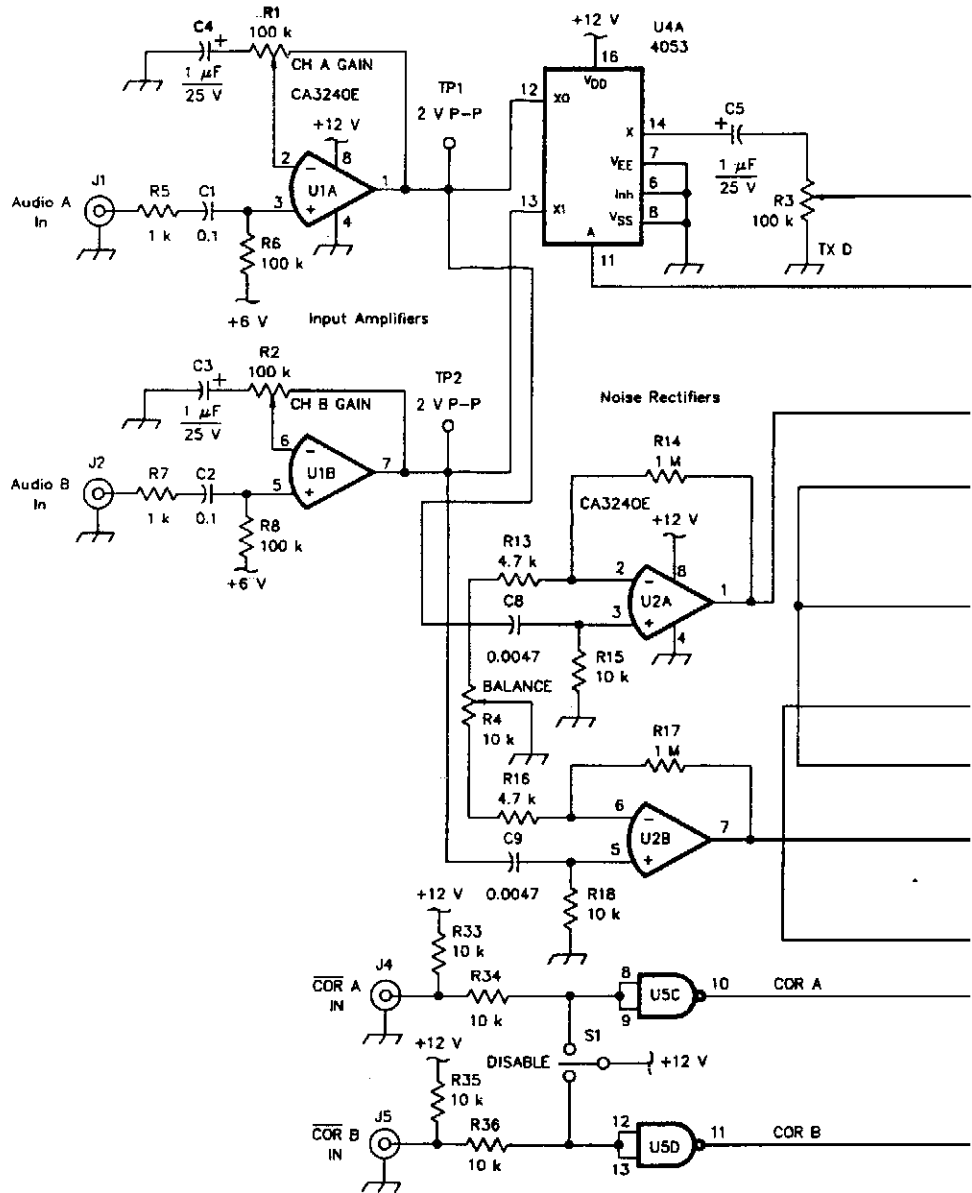
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Noise Generator  
Dolby Noise-Reduction Circuit  
Audio Noise-Based Voting Circuit  
Adjustable Noise Clipper  
Simple Noise Limiter

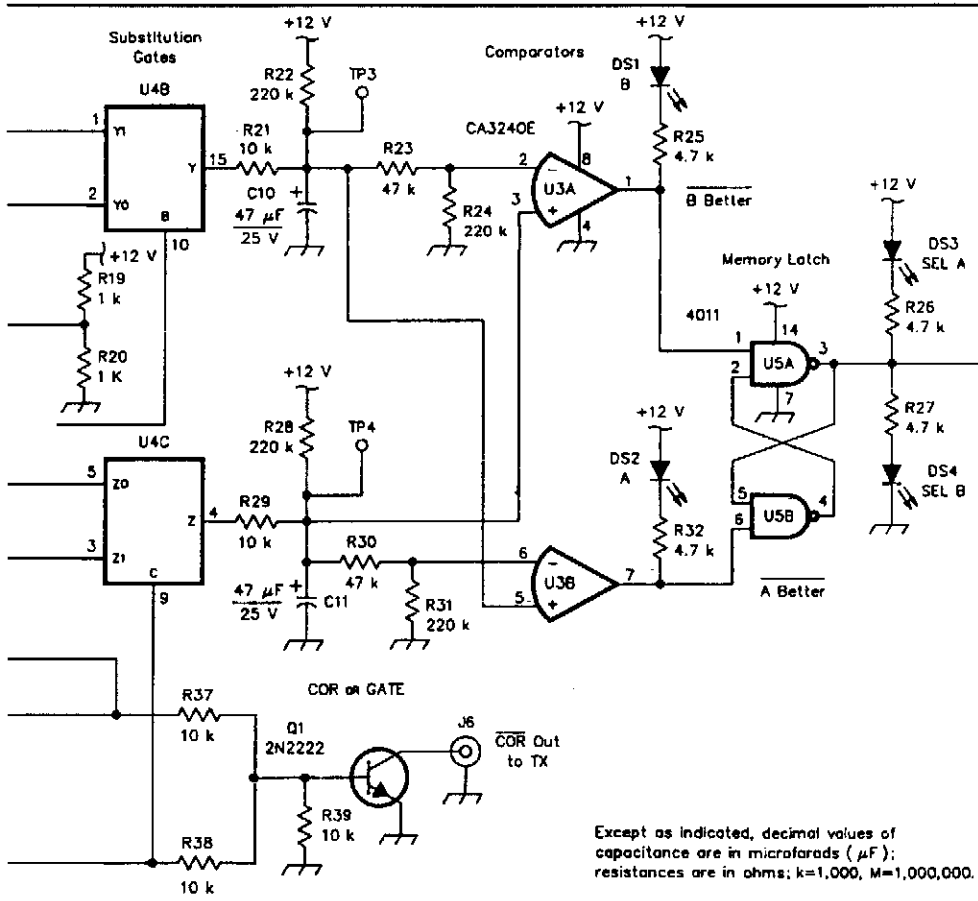
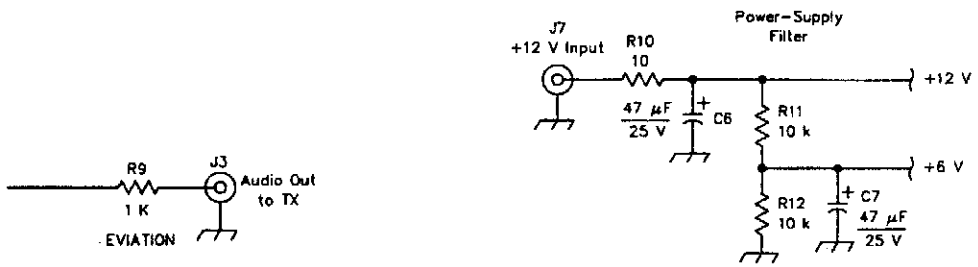


## AUDIO NOISE-BASED VOTING CIRCUIT



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The purpose of this circuit is the selection of the output of two receivers, tuned to the same channel, that has the better signal to noise ratio. This circuit compares the two noise leads from the receivers and selects the one with the lower audio noise level.

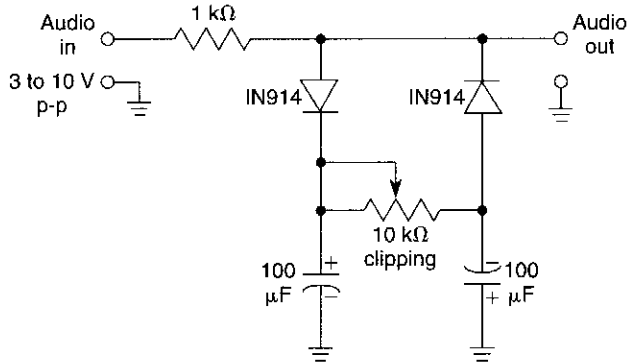


Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ); resistances are in ohms; k=1,000, M=1,000,000.

IC pins not shown are unused.

Fig. 59-3

## ADJUSTABLE NOISE CLIPPER

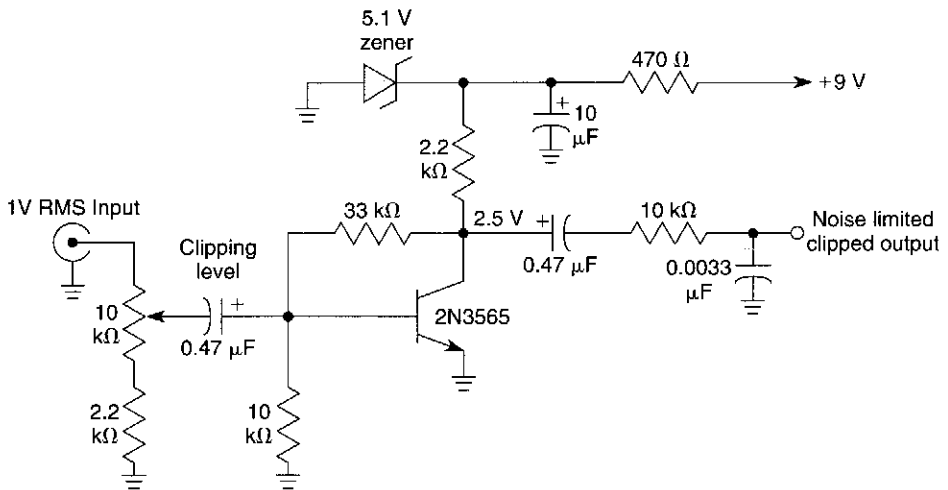


WILLIAM SHEETS

*Fig. 59-4*

This circuit uses two diodes and is a peak-to-peak limiter. The capacitors charge up to a dc level determined by the peak-to-peak audio signal and the clipping control. A positive or negative peak or spike is clipped if it exceeds this level plus the diode drops. The circuit should be operated at several volts level for best results.

## SIMPLE NOISE LIMITER



WILLIAM SHEETS

*Fig. 59-5*

This circuit uses a symmetrical limiter obtained by biasing a transistor to a  $Q$  point that is half of the supply voltage and driving it into saturation and cutoff. An input of 1 to 2 V RMS is sufficient. This output will be approximately 4 V p-p into a high-impedance load.

# 60

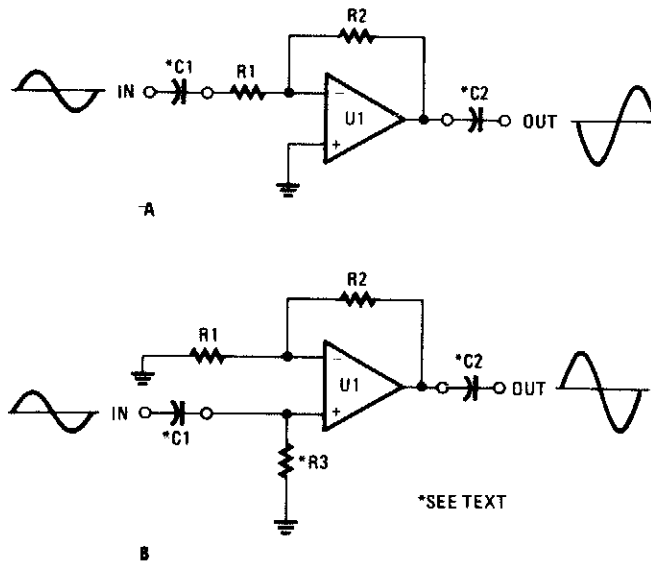
## Operational Amplifier Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Basic Op-Amp Circuits
- Op Amps with Long RC Time Constants
- Op-Amp Offset Null
- Basic Op-Amp Audio Amplifier
- Input Guarding for HI-Z Op Amps
- Enhanced Op-Amp Balanced Amplifier
- Paralleled Power Op Amps
- Single-Supply Op-Amp Applications
- Current Regulator Op Amp
- Op-Amp Resistance-Multiplication Circuit
- Pseudoground

## BASIC OP-AMP CIRCUITS

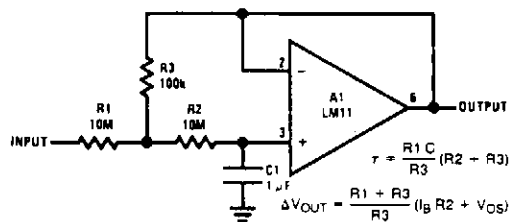


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

**Fig. 60-1**

The two simplest op-amp configurations are the inverting (A) and the noninverting (B). Resistor R3 is needed only if C1 is used in the noninverting circuit.

## OP AMPS WITH LONG RC TIME CONSTANTS

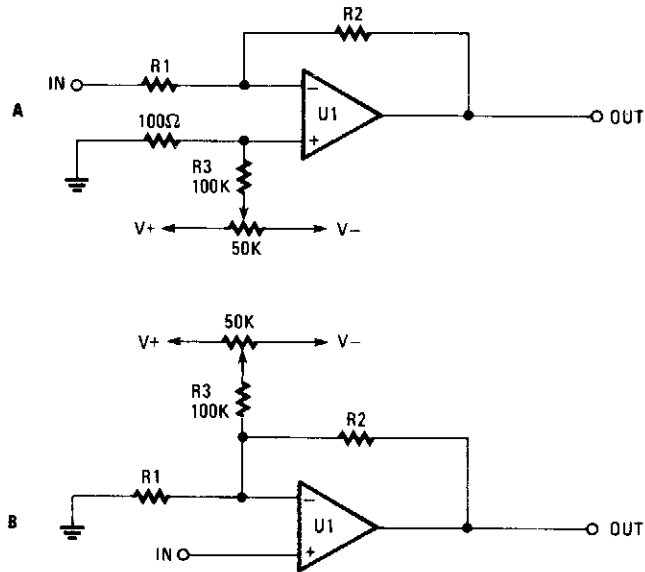


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 60-2**

This circuit multiplies RC time constant to 1000 seconds and provides low output impedance. Cost is lowered because of reduced resistor and capacitor values.

## OP-AMP OFFSET NULL

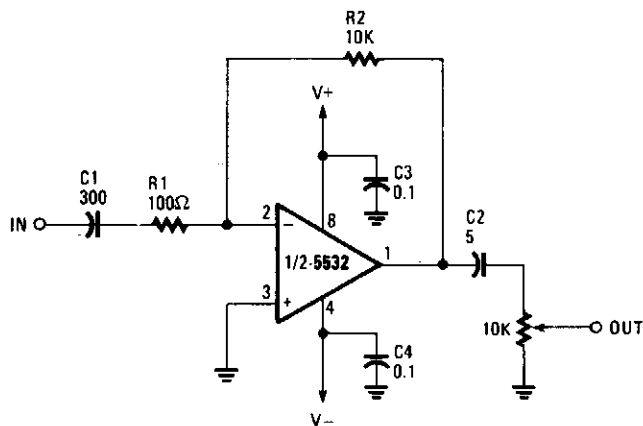


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 60-3

Offset problems can occur in the best of circuits (and often do) without regard to whether the circuit is inverting (A), or noninverting (B). Offset-nulling potentiometers are useful in correcting the output to zero, but their effectiveness will vary under different conditions.

## BASIC OP-AMP AUDIO AMPLIFIER



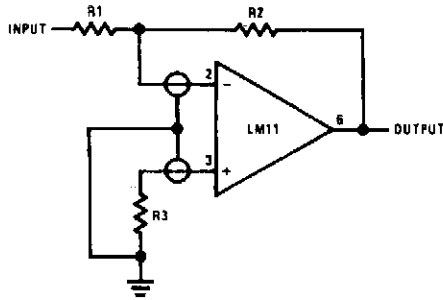
RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 60-4

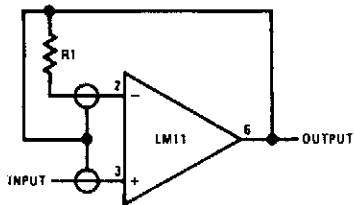
Any general-purpose op amp can be used in this application.



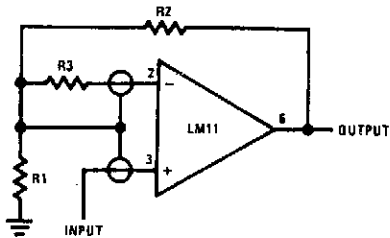
## INPUT GUARDING FOR HI-Z OP AMPS



a. Inverting amplifier

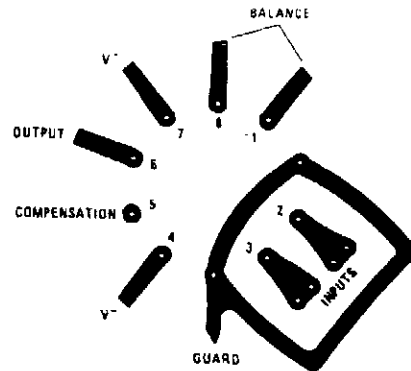


b. follower



c. non-inverting amplifier

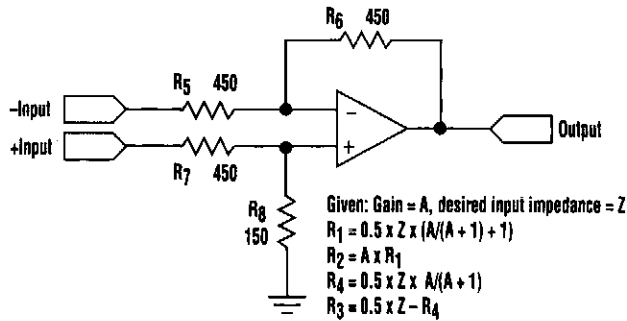
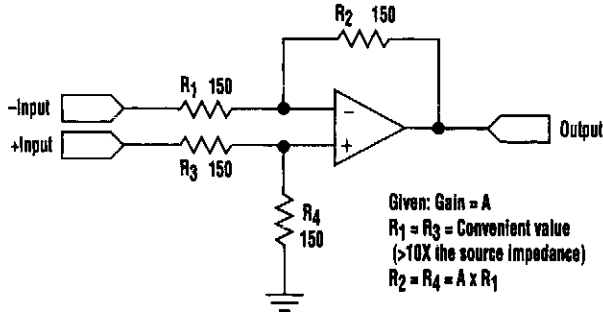
Input guarding for various op amp connections. The guard should be connected to a point at the same potential as the inputs with a low enough impedance to absorb board leakage without introducing excessive offset.



Bottom view

Input guarding can drastically reduce surface leakage. Layout for metal can is shown here. Guarding both sides of board is required. Bulk leakage reduction is less and depends on guard ring width.

## ENHANCED OP-AMP BALANCED AMPLIFIER



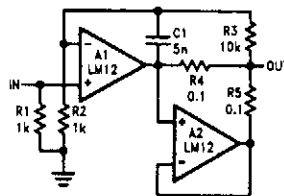
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 60-6

The classic single op-amp balanced circuit works well in low-source-impedance configurations, but tends to struggle in higher-source-impedance applications because of the varying input impedance of the inputs referred to ground.

A modified version of the classic op-amp configuration of the figure uses a different set of formulas to determine the resistor values. It equalizes the impedance of both inputs by considering the op amp's active participation.

## PARALLELED-POWER OP AMPS

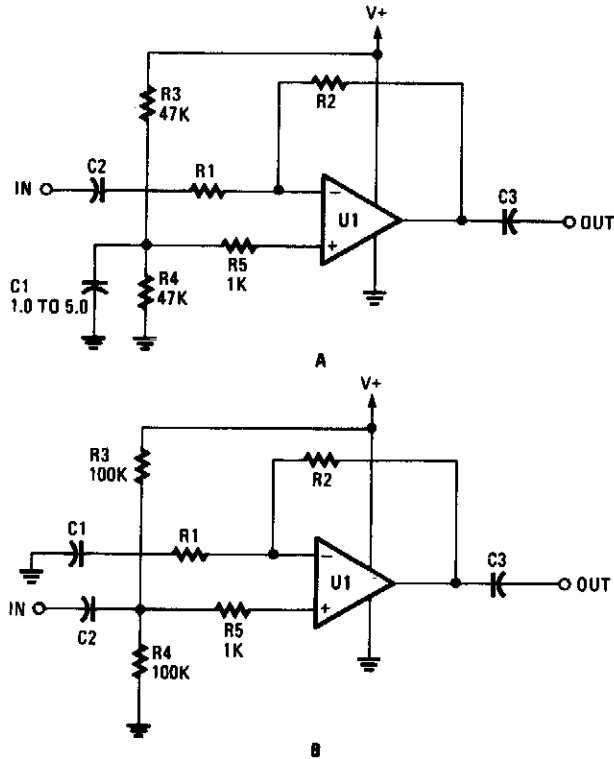


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 60-7

Two power op amps can be paralleled using this master/slave arrangement, but high-frequency performance suffers.

## SINGLE-SUPPLY OP-AMP APPLICATIONS

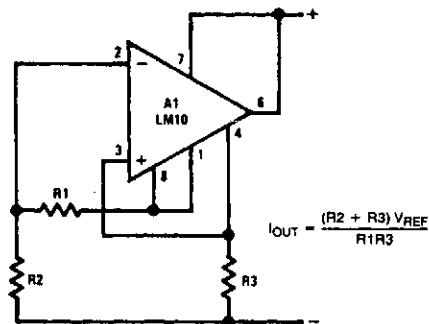


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 60-8*

An op amp that normally needs two supplies can be used when only a single supply is needed. The value of  $V_+$  should be twice the minimum allowable values of the positive and negative voltages normally needed. For example, a 12-V single-supply application would require an op amp capable of  $\pm 6$ -V operation.

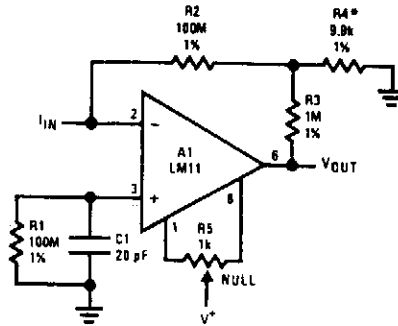
## CURRENT REGULATOR OP AMP



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

*Fig. 60-9*

## OP-AMP RESISTANCE MULTIPLICATION CIRCUIT

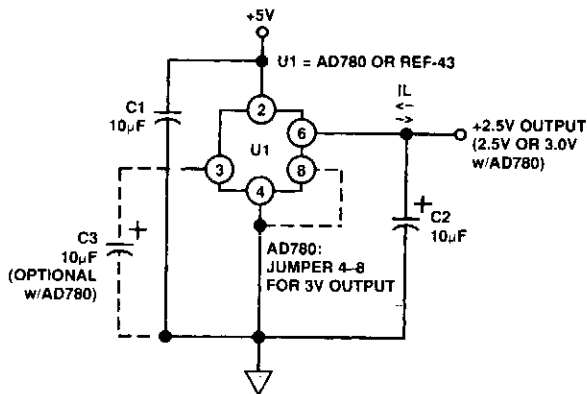


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 60-10

Equivalent feedback resistance is  $10\text{ G}\Omega$ , but only standard resistors are used. Even though the offset voltage is multiplied by 100, output offset is actually reduced because error is dependent on offset current, rather than bias current. Voltage on summing junction is less than 5 mV.

## PSEUDOGROUND



ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 60-11

For op-amp circuits, a "pseudo ground" is often needed; a voltage reference IC can be used. The Analog Devices AD780 is used here for this application. This can sink or source current.

# 61

## Oscillators (Audio)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Easily Tuned Sine-Wave Oscillator  
Quad Tone Oscillator  
One-Transistor Phase-Shift Oscillator  
Basic LM3909 Audio Oscillator  
Low-Distortion Sine-Wave Oscillator  
Low-Frequency Astable  
TTL-Based Audio Oscillator  
Variable Duty Cycle from Astable  
Simple Variable-Frequency Oscillator  
Wien-Bridge Oscillator I  
Wien-Bridge Oscillator II  
Logic-Gate Sine-Wave Oscillator

## EASILY TUNED SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

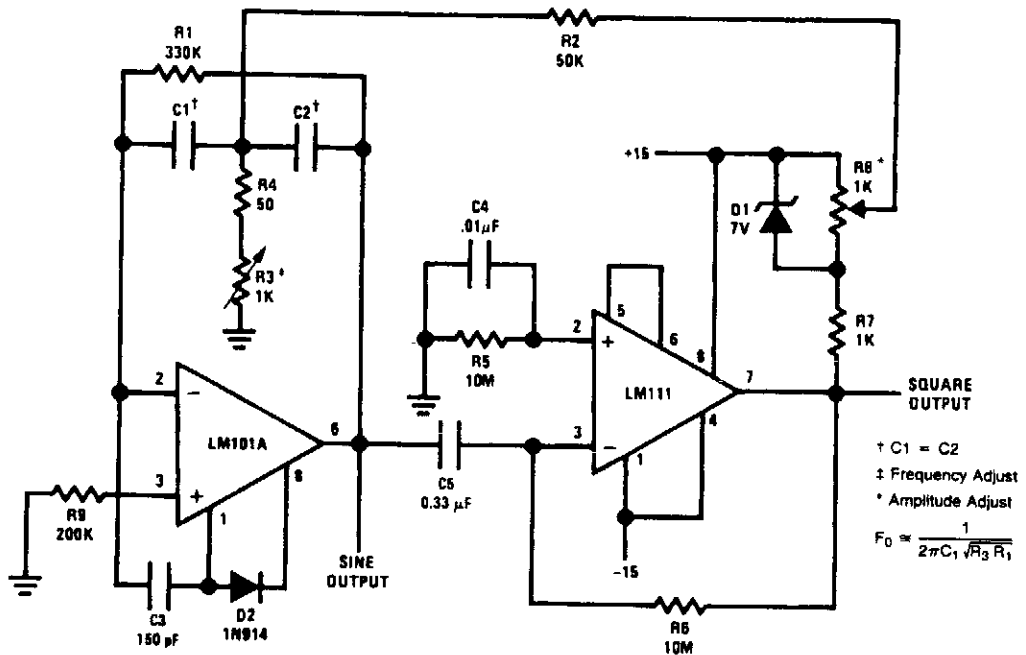


TABLE I

| C <sub>1</sub> , C <sub>2</sub> | Min Frequency | Max Frequency |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 0.47 μF                         | 18 Hz         | 80 Hz         |
| 0.1 μF                          | 80 Hz         | 380 Hz        |
| .022 μF                         | 380 Hz        | 1.7 kHz       |
| .0047 μF                        | 1.7 kHz       | 8 kHz         |
| .002 μF                         | 4.4 kHz       | 20 kHz        |

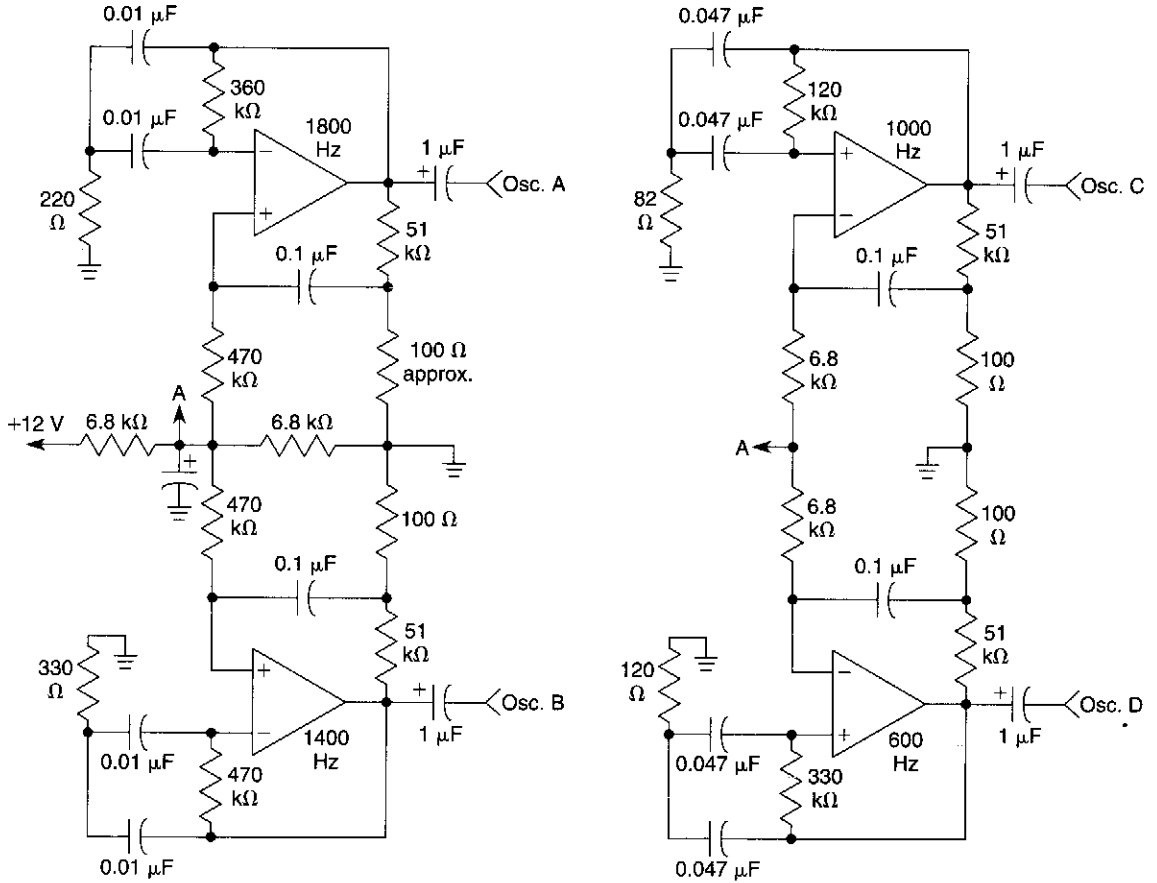
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

*Fig. 61-1*

The circuit will provide both a sine- and square-wave output for frequencies from below 20 Hz to above 20 kHz. The frequency of oscillation is easily tuned by varying a single resistor. This is a considerable advantage over Wien bridge circuits, where two elements must be tuned simultaneously to change frequency. Also, the output amplitude is relatively stable when the frequency is changed.

An operational amplifier is used as a tuned circuit, driven by square wave from a voltage comparator. Frequency is controlled by R1, R2, C1, C2, and R3, with R3 used for tuning. Tuning the filter does not affect its gain or bandwidth, so the output amplitude does not change with frequency. A comparator is fed with the sine-wave output to obtain a square wave. The square wave is then fed back to the input of the tuned circuit to cause oscillation. Zener diode, D1, stabilizes the amplitude of the square wave fed back to the filter input. Starting is ensured by R6 and C5, which provide dc negative-feedback around the comparator. This keeps the comparator in the active region.

## QUAD TONE OSCILLATOR

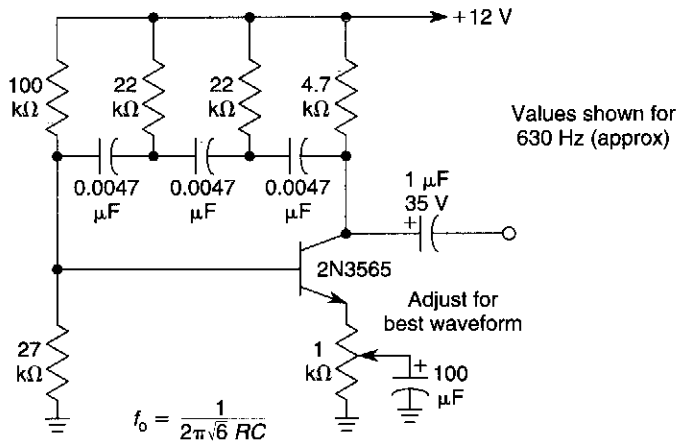


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 61-2

A quad op amp (TL084, etc.) can be used to produce four audio tone generators for use in a test setup. The circuit uses a 12-V supply.

### ONE-TRANSISTOR PHASE-SHIFT OSCILLATOR

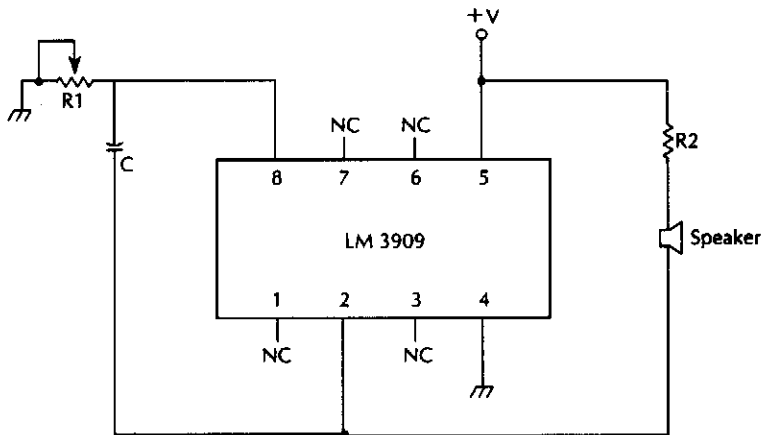


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 61-3

A single transistor is used as an active element in an RC phase shift oscillator.

### BASIC LM3909 AUDIO OSCILLATOR



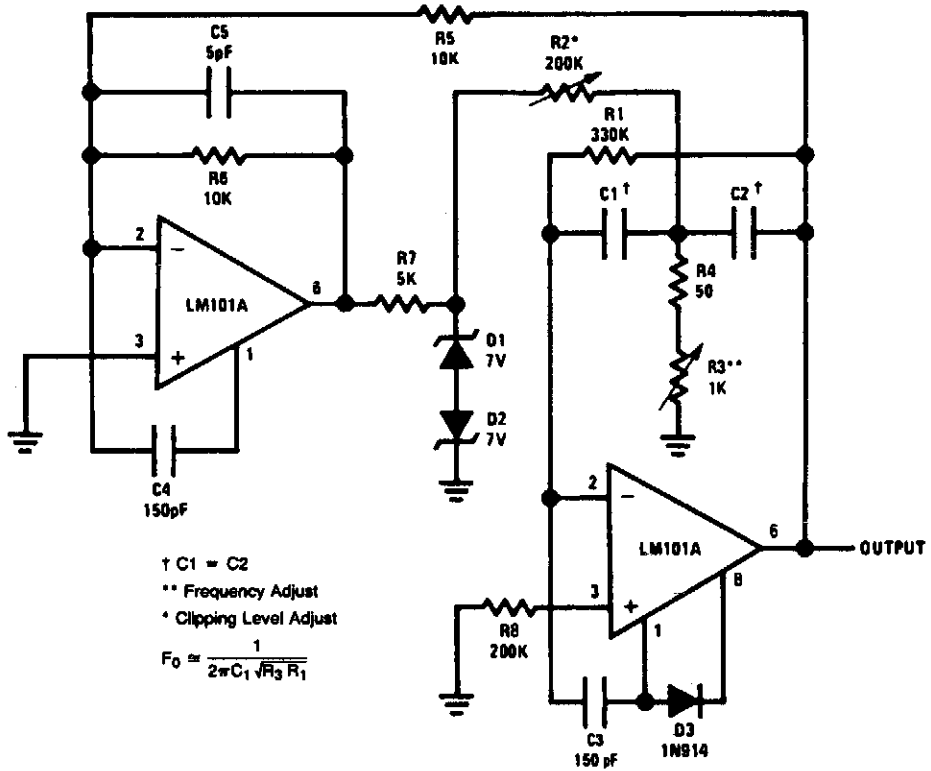
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Fig. 61-4

The LM3909's oscillator frequency can be fine-tuned by adding a resistor to a basic circuit.



## LOW-DISTORTION SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

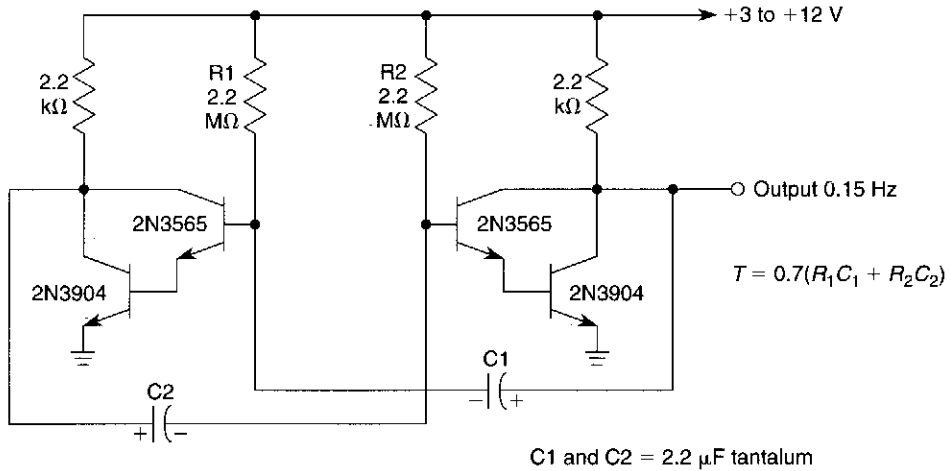


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 61-5

| C1, C2    | Min. Frequency | Max. Frequency |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| 0.47 μF   | 18 Hz          | 80 Hz          |
| 0.1 μF    | 80 Hz          | 380 Hz         |
| 0.022 μF  | 380 Hz         | 1.7 kHz        |
| 0.0047 μF | 1.7 kHz        | 8 kHz          |
| 0.002 μF  | 4.4 kHz        | 20 kHz         |

### LOW-FREQUENCY ASTABLE

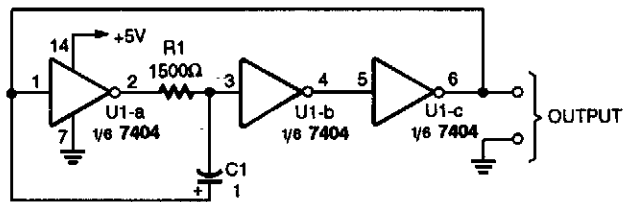


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 61-6

By using a high-gain low-current transistor, such as the 2N3565, a pair of Darlington-connected transistors (2N3565 and 2N3904) can be used in a high-impedance configuration.

### TTL-BASED AUDIO OSCILLATOR

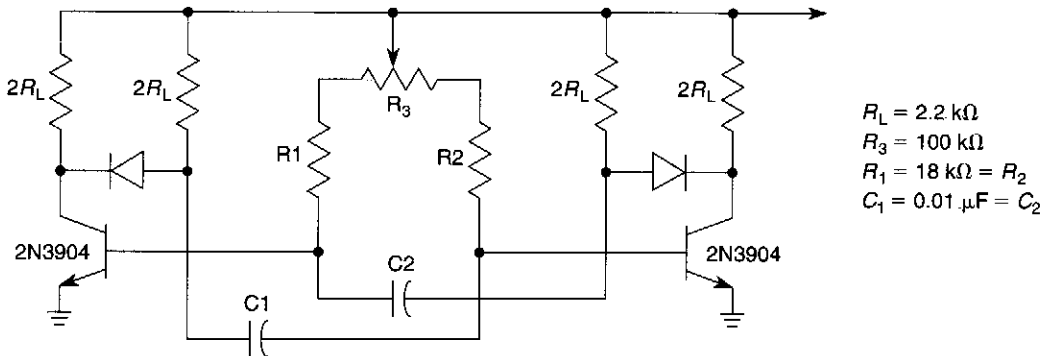


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Fig. 61-7

Half a 7404 will produce a tone around 1000 Hz with this circuit.

### VARIABLE DUTY CYCLE FROM ASTABLE



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 61-8

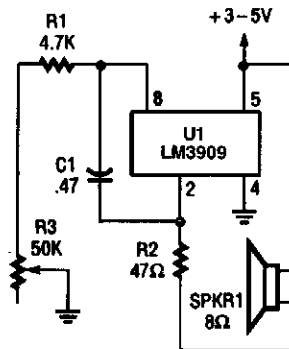
If  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3$  and  $C_1 = C_2 = C_3$

If potentiometer R3 is set at  $N\%$  of rotation, then

$$T_{\text{TOTAL}} \approx 0.7 [(R + NR_3)C + [R + (1 - N)R_3]C]$$

$T_{\text{TOTAL}} \approx 1.4 (R + R_3)C$  and the duty cycle can be varied without changing frequency.

### SIMPLE VARIABLE-FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR

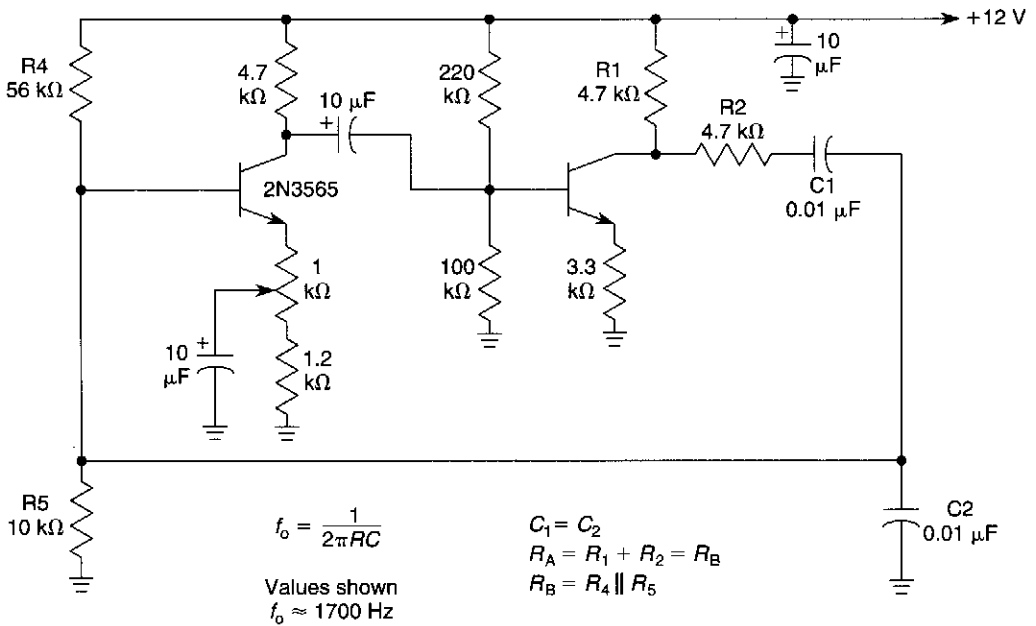


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 61-9

In this variable audio frequency oscillator, the output of U1 at pin 2 is used to drive an 8- $\Omega$  speaker through R2 (which functions as a current-limiter).

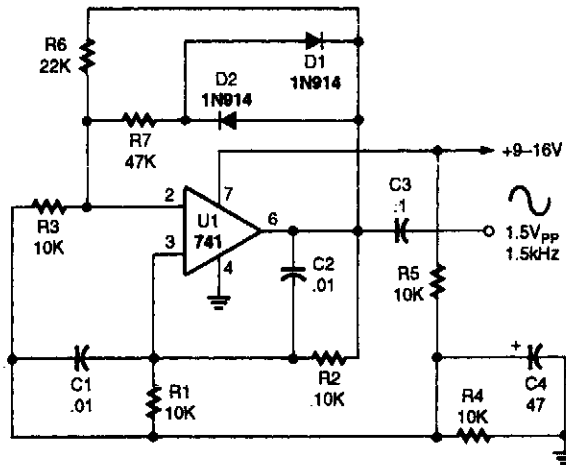
### WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR I



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Fig. 61-10

### WIEN-BRIDGE OSCILLATOR II

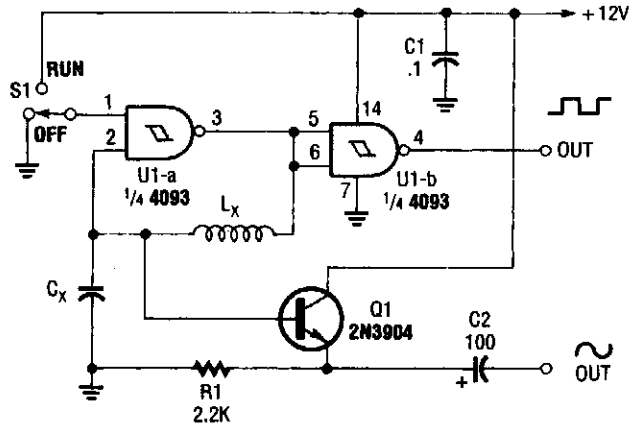


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Fig. 61-11

The operating frequency of this Wien-bridge oscillator is determined by C1, C2, R1, and R2. It can easily be modified to act as a tunable oscillator by substituting a dual-gang linear potentiometer for R1 and R2.

## LOGIC-GATE SINE-WAVE OSCILLATOR



\*SEE TEXT

| $C_x$ | $L_x$ | $f_{out}$ |
|-------|-------|-----------|
| .018  | 50mH  | 9kHz      |
| .018  | 2mH   | 14kHz     |
| .047  | 5mH   | 5.5kHz    |
| 1     | 1H    | 300Hz     |
| 1     | 10H   | 100Hz     |

An inductor and capacitor are used here as frequency-determining elements in an LC oscillator.

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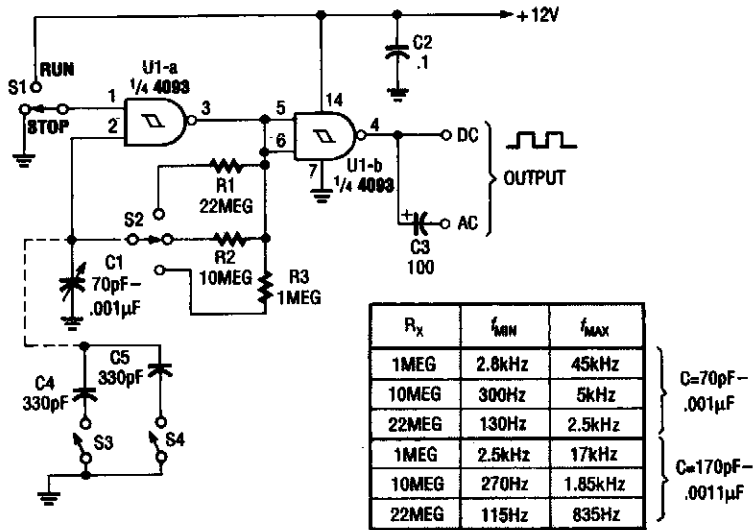
# Oscillators (Miscellaneous)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Variable-Frequency Astable I
- Astable Oscillator I
- Astable Oscillator II
- Variable-Frequency Astable II
- Quadrature-Wave Oscillator
- Stabilized Wien-Bridge Oscillator
- Digitally Controlled Square-Wave Oscillator
- 50% Duty-Cycle 555 Circuit
- Varied Rep Rate, Duty Cycle with 555
- DDS Digital VFO

## VARIABLE-FREQUENCY ASTABLE I

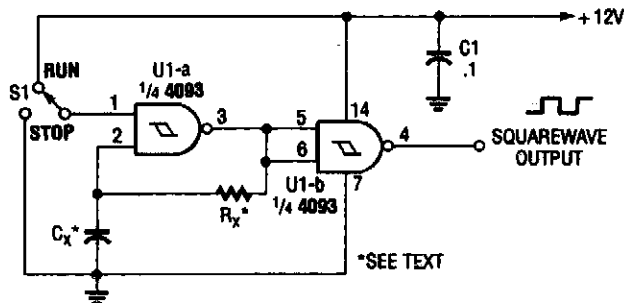


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-1

This circuit is a variable-frequency oscillator using a trimmer capacitor or a three-gauge AM broadcast capacitor salvaged from an old AM radio. The three sections must be paralleled.

## ASTABLE OSCILLATOR I



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-2

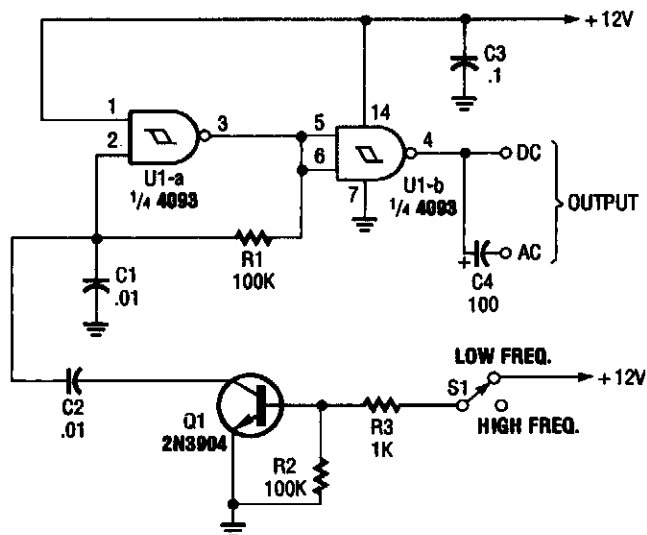
In this circuit, two gates from the quad 4093 package are used to form a simple astable square-wave oscillator.

The values for  $R_x$  and  $C_x$  are approximately as follows:

| $C_x$               | $R_x$         | $f_o$   |
|---------------------|---------------|---------|
| 0.001 $\mu\text{F}$ | 1 M $\Omega$  | 3 kHz   |
| 0.1 $\mu\text{F}$   | 1 M $\Omega$  | 30 Hz   |
| 1 $\mu\text{F}$     | 10 M $\Omega$ | 0.03 Hz |

These values can be scaled for other frequencies.

### ASTABLE OSCILLATOR II

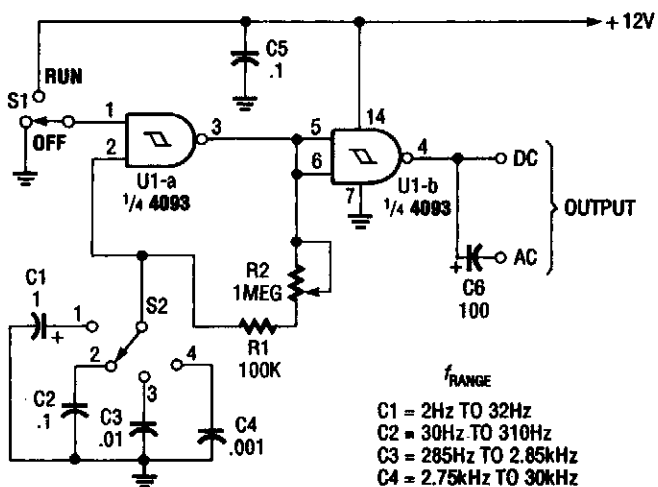


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 62-3

By using transistor switch Q1/R2/R3, the frequency of an astable oscillator can be changed with a dc voltage or logic level.

### VARIABLE-FREQUENCY ASTABLE II



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

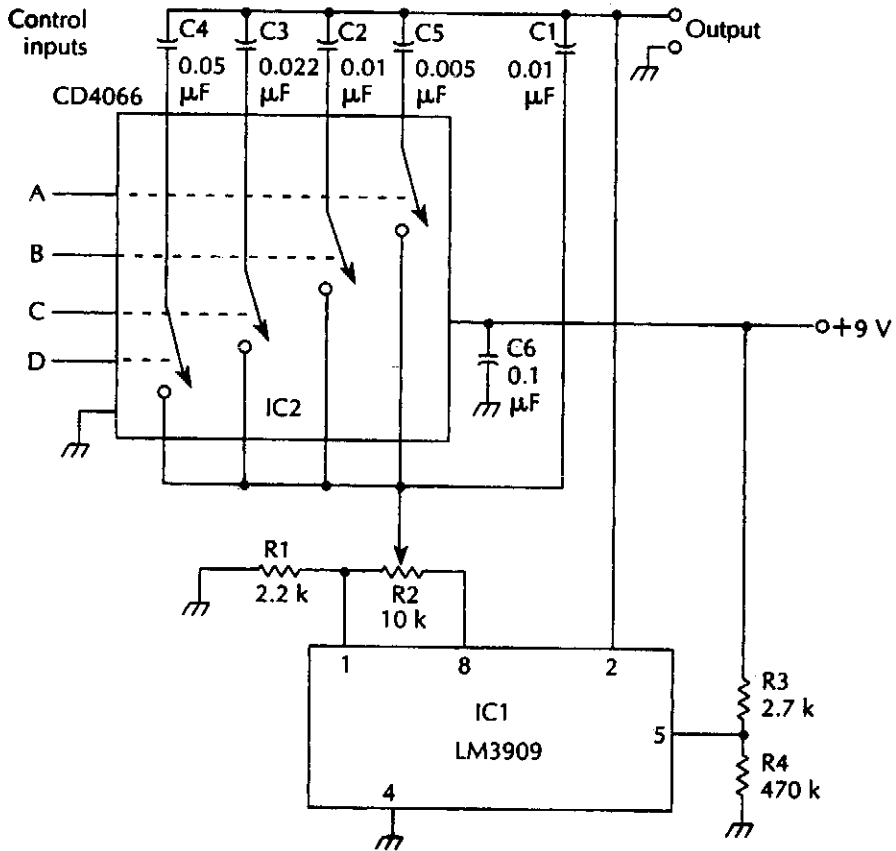
Fig. 62-4

This circuit uses a single potentiometer and switched capacitors to cover 2 Hz to 30 kHz.





## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED SQUARE-WAVE OSCILLATOR

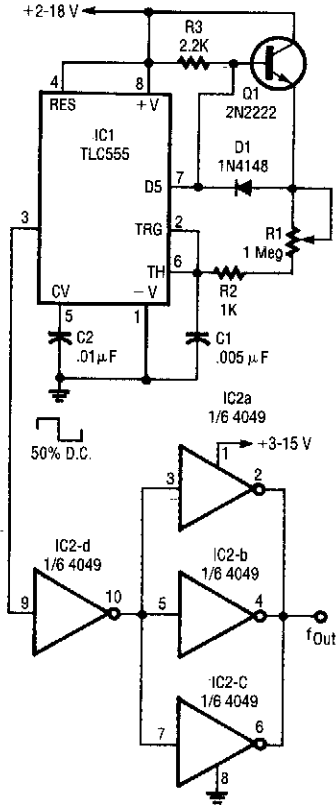


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Fig. 62-7

|        |                               |        |                                    |
|--------|-------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|
| IC1    | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator | C5, C6 | 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor             |
| IC2    | CD4066 quad bilateral switch  | R1     | 2.2-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |
| C1, C2 | 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor        | R2     | 10-k $\Omega$ potentiometer        |
| C3     | 0.033- $\mu$ F capacitor      | R3     | 2.7-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor |
| C4     | 0.047- $\mu$ F capacitor      | R4     | 470- $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor  |

## 50% DUTY-CYCLE 555 CIRCUIT

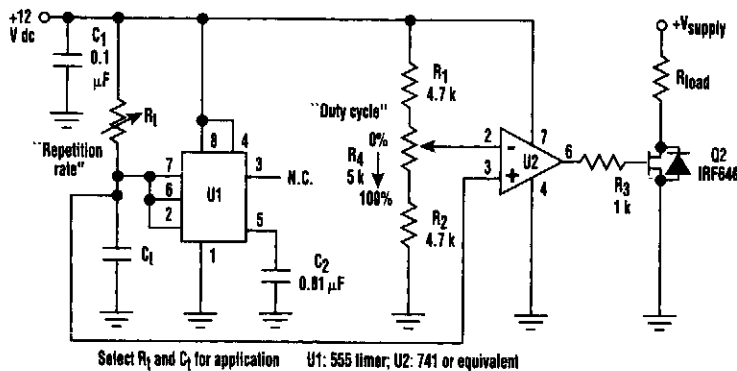


Using an external charge transistor and diode enables a 50% duty cycle and easy frequency control. When the 555's discharge transistor is cut off, the 2N2222 acts as an emitter follower. When the discharge transistor turns on, the 2N2222 turns off and C1 discharges through  $(R_1 + R_2)$  at the same rate. The IN4148 provides temperature compensation.

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Fig. 62-8

## VARIED REP RATE, DUTY CYCLE WITH 555

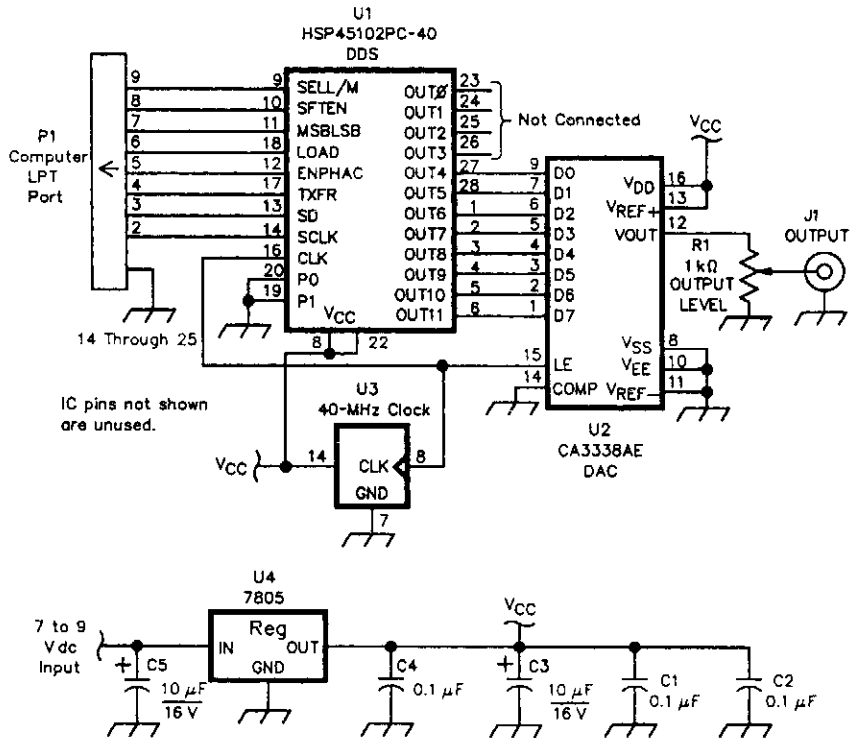


To independently vary rpm and dwell, or duty cycle, a 555 timer is used to produce a ramp waveform, which is compared to an adjustable reference.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 62-9

## DDS DIGITAL VFO



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**Fig. 62-10**

The DDS chip (U1) generates a data stream that is converted by D/A converter U2 into a sine wave. U1 is programmed via the input from P1, from the LPT port of an IBM PC. The system uses a 40-MHz TTL output clock module.

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## Oscillators (RF)

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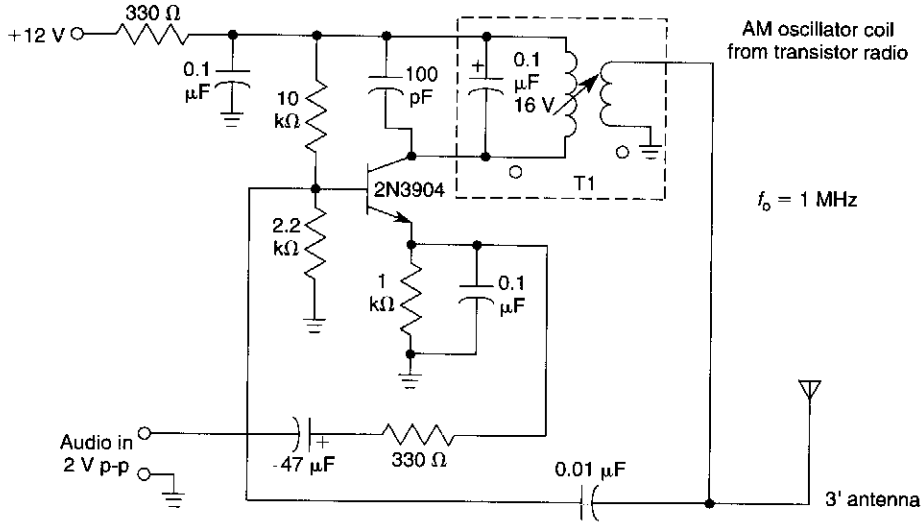
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Frequency Modulated Oscillator  
JFET Variable-Frequency Oscillator  
AM Oscillator for Wireless Microphones  
Reinartz Oscillator  
Remote-Oscillator High-Frequency VFO  
Beat-Frequency Oscillator for AM/SW Radios  
Butler Oscillator Circuit  
455-kHz Oscillator  
Modified Hartley Oscillator  
VLF LC Oscillator  
Grounded-Base Tuned Collector Oscillator for  
AM Broadcast Band

HF VFO Circuit  
Darlington Transistor Oscillator  
FM HF Oscillator With No Varactor  
Tunable UHF Oscillator  
“Universal” VFO  
Oscillator Circuits  
Colpitts Oscillator  
Clapp Oscillator for 100 kHz  
Tuned Collector Oscillator  
Hartley Oscillator



## AM OSCILLATOR FOR WIRELESS MICROPHONES

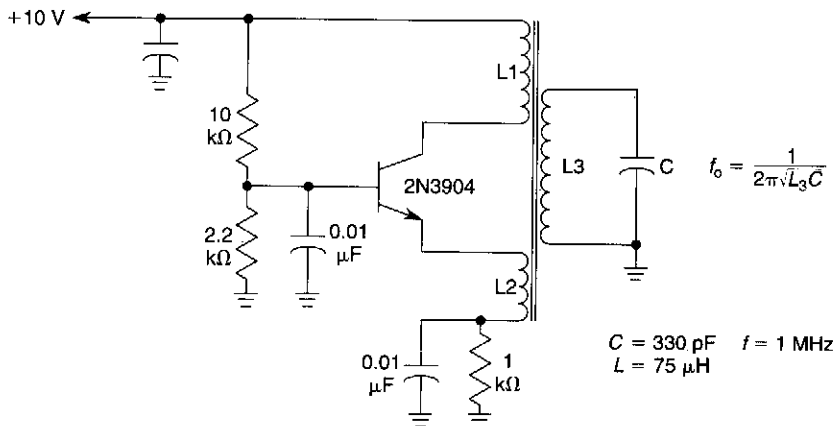


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Fig. 63-3

This circuit will generate an AM-modulated signal in the AM broadcast band that can be picked up on a receiver. About 2 V of audio input will produce about 30% modulation of the oscillator signal. An old AM broadcast oscillator coil or other two-winding coil with about a 10:1 turn ratio and about 50 to 150  $\mu\text{H}$  inductance can be used for T1.

## REINARTZ OSCILLATOR

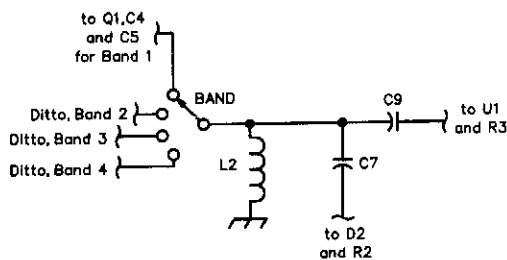
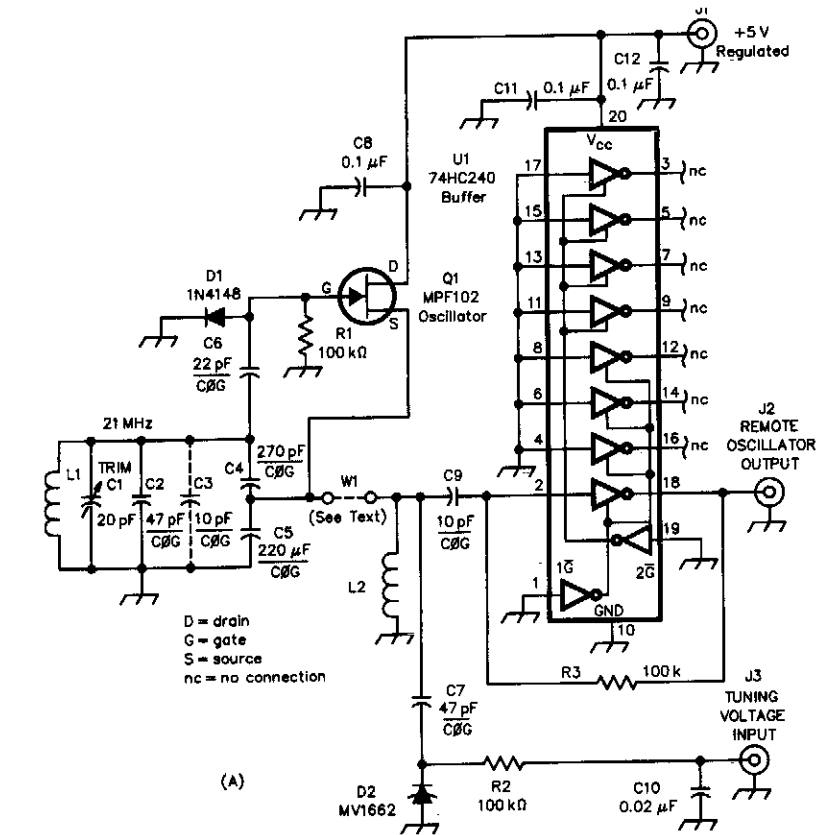


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Fig. 63-4

This oscillator uses inductivity coupled emitter and collector windings to its main tank circuit. Take care so that L1 and L2 are not coupled to each other, otherwise this circuit is susceptible to parasitic oscillation at other frequencies. Typically, L1 has 5 to 10 times the number of turns that L2 has. L1, L2, L3 are wound on same coil form. This oscillator is more suited to lower frequencies,  $\leq 10$  MHz.

## REMOTE-OSCILLATOR HIGH-FREQUENCY VFO



### Band-Specific Oscillator Component Values

| Band (m) | L1 (turns*) | Approximate Tuning Range† (kHz) |
|----------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 10       | 3           | 110                             |
| 12       | 4           | 100                             |
| 15       | 5           | 80                              |
| 17       | 6           | 65                              |
| 20       | 7           | 50                              |
| 30       | 10          | 40                              |

\*Close-wound #20 enameled wire on a 3/8-inch plastic rod; see text.

†With an MV1662 diode used at D1, and C7 (Figure 2) equal to 47 pF. See text, Note 2 and the Figure 2 parts list.

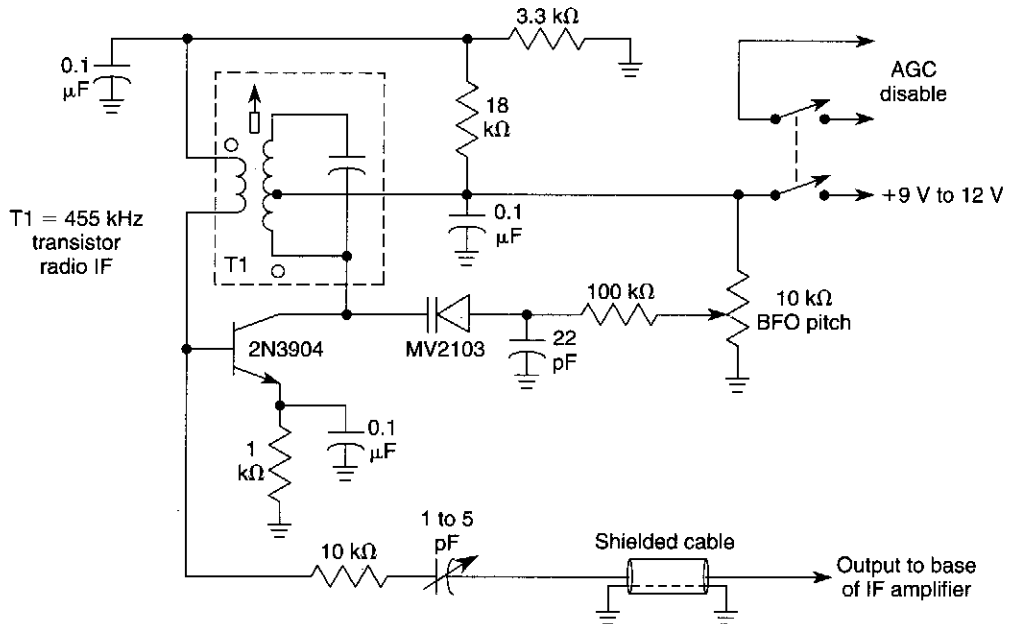
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**Fig. 63-5**

A remote VFO is sometimes used to control a transmitter or receiver. The circuit shown uses an MPF102 FET and is controlled by a dc voltage at J3. The table shows values for  $L_1$  for various bands from 30 to 10 meters. U1 serves as a buffer amplifier.



## BEAT-FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR FOR AM/SW RADIOS

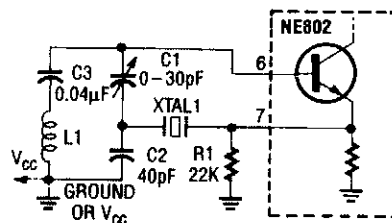


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 63-6

This BFO can be added to inexpensive AM/SW receivers to enable reception of CW signals. Output couples to base of last IF stage. T1 is any 455-kHz IF transformer. The BFO switch should be a DPDT type (as needed), and the radio AGC circuit will probably have to be disabled for CW reception.

## BUTLER OSCILLATOR CIRCUIT

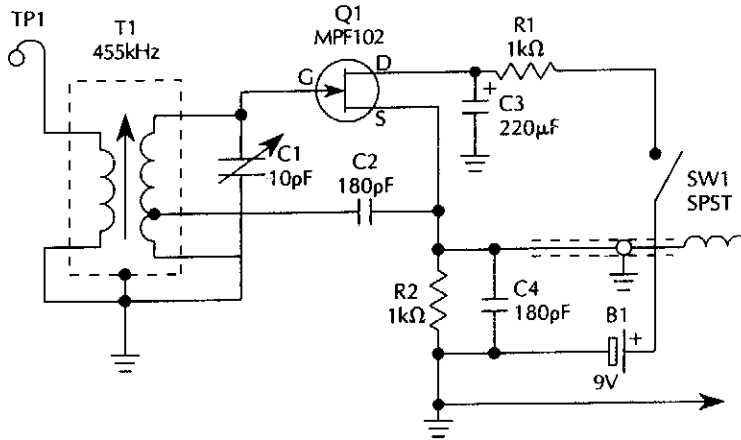


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 63-7

This circuit uses an overtone crystal in a Butler oscillator. L1 is approximately 1300 μH, and the crystal frequency should be from 20 to 50 MHz.

### 455-kHz OSCILLATOR

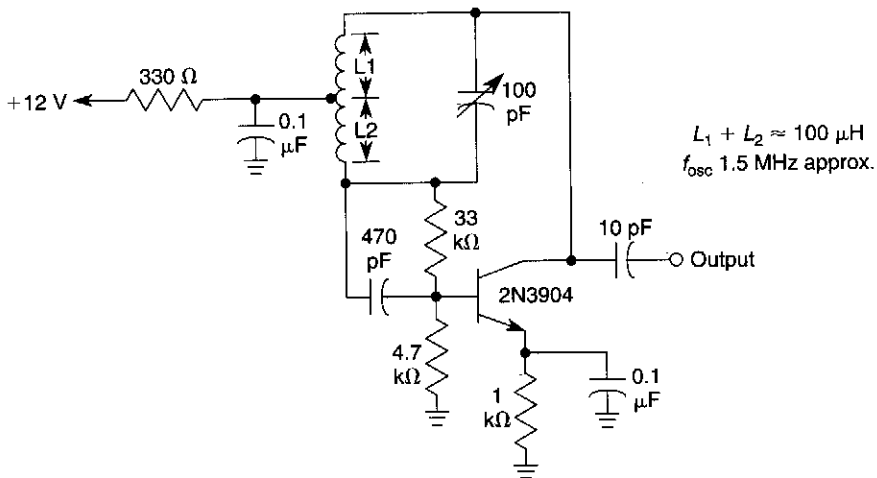


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Fig. 63-8

The 455-kHz oscillator circuit uses a field-effect transistor (FET) for Q1. The output signal is taken from the source circuit of Q1. T1 is a 455-kHz IF transformer.

### MODIFIED HARTLEY OSCILLATOR

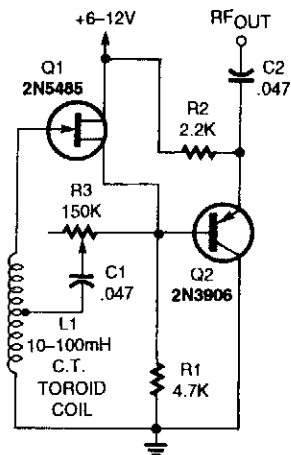


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 63-9

This oscillator uses a tapped coil in the collector circuit, with the tap grounded for the signal. L1 and L2 are coupled inductively and typically have a 3:1 turn ratio, and generally are sections of one entire winding.

## VLF LC OSCILLATOR

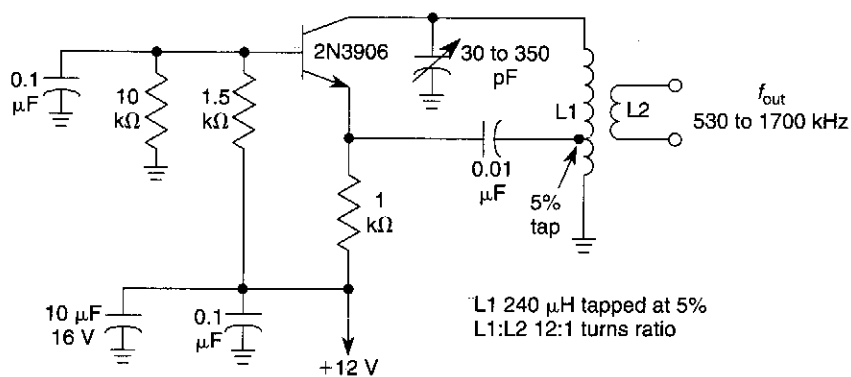


The VLF oscillator uses a large toroid coil as the frequency-determining component and a 2N5485 FET as the active device. R3 is used as a feedback control and also by running the circuit with slightly less feedback than needed for oscillation, can serve as a regenerative amplifier or detector.

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 63-10

## GROUNDLED-BASE TUNED COLLECTOR OSCILLATOR FOR AM BROADCAST BAND

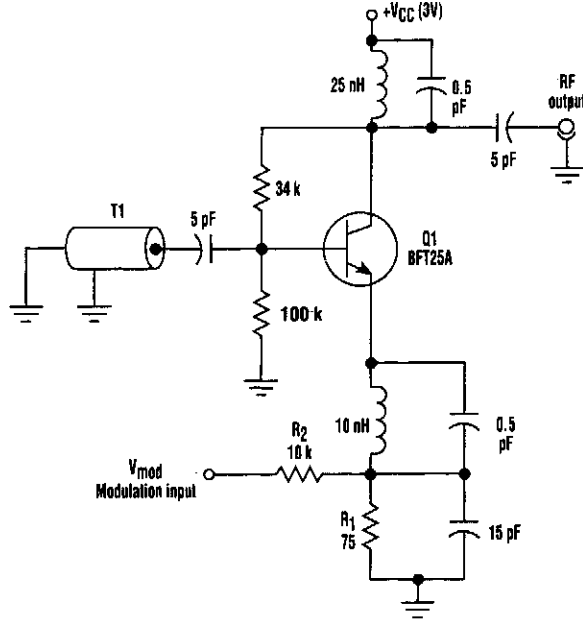


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 63-11



## FM HF OSCILLATOR WITH NO VARACTOR

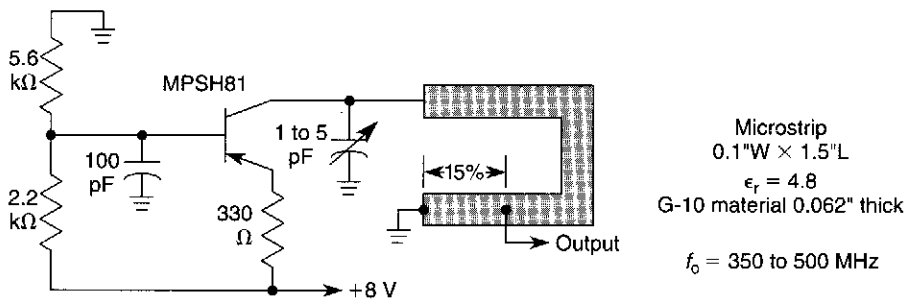


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 63-14**

Instead of using a varactor to frequency-modulate a high-frequency oscillator, this circuit uses base-charging capacitance modulation. Consequently, the large voltage change required by a varactor, which can be a major problem in battery-powered systems with limited supply voltages, is eliminated. T1 is a ceramic coaxial quarter-wave resonator.

## TUNABLE UHF OSCILLATOR

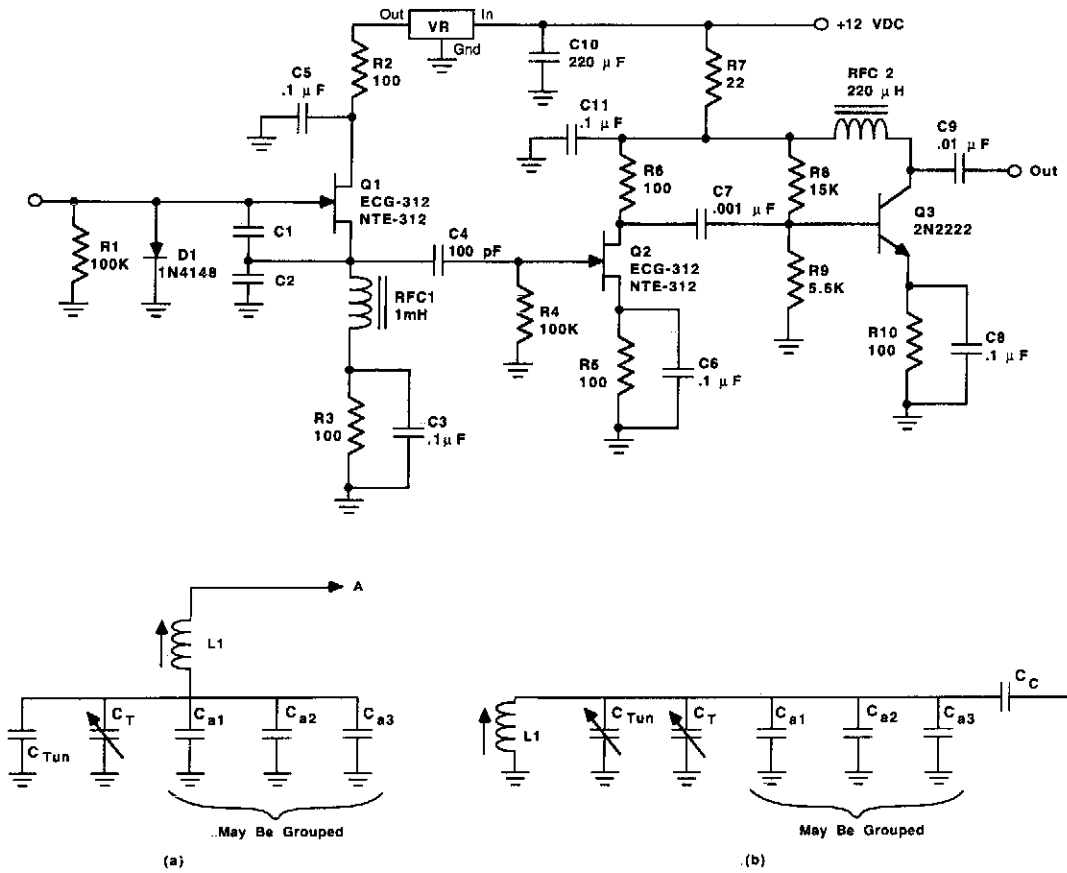


WILLIAM SHEETS

**Fig. 63-15**

This oscillator is typical for 350- to 500-MHz operation. The microstrip inductor is a PC board trace. The tap is typically 15% from the bottom end. The output power is 55 to 100 mW into 50  $\Omega$ , with the frequency stability typically 0.1% over 0 to 50°C.

## "UNIVERSAL" VFO



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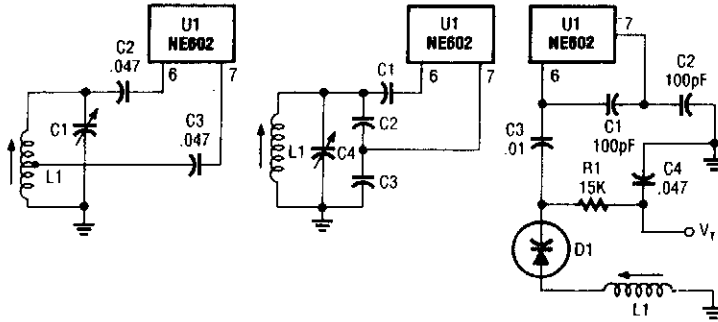
**Fig. 63-16**

Figure 63-16A shows the basic circuit for the VFO, except for the tuning circuits (which are shown in Fig. 63-16B). Transistor Q1 is a junction field-effect transistor (JFET) oscillator stage. The device to use at Q1 includes MPF-102, 2N4416, and the replacement devices from the popular lines of "service" parts e.g., ECG and NTE).

Two different oscillator configurations can be accommodated by this design (i.e., both Clapp and Colpitts oscillators can be built). Both oscillators are the same from point A in Fig. 63-16C forward, and both depend on a capacitor voltage-divider feedback network. The Clapp oscillator (Fig. 63-16A) is series-tuned and the Colpitts oscillator is parallel-tuned (Fig. 63-16B).

The dc voltage supplied to the oscillator transistor (Q1) is voltage-regulated. The voltage regulator can be any 78Lxx series from 78LO5 to 78LO9.

## OSCILLATOR CIRCUITS

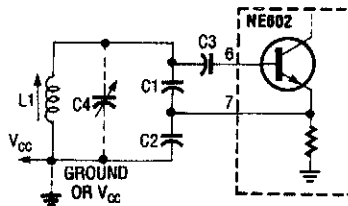


RADIO CRAFT

These are methods of using an NE602 with a tunable VFO.

**Fig. 63-17**

## COLPITTS OSCILLATOR



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

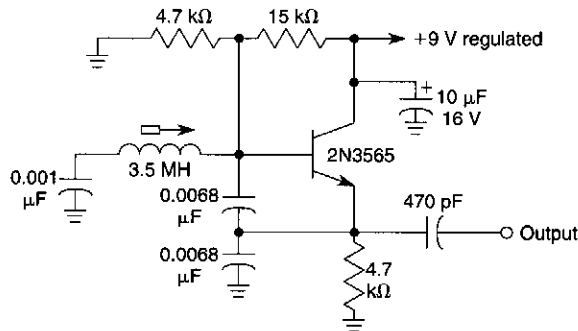
**Fig. 63-18**

$$L_1 \approx 7 \mu\text{H}/f(\text{in MHz})$$

$$C_1 \approx C_2 \approx C_3 \approx 2400 \text{ pF}/f$$

In this circuit, the oscillator is free-running.

## CLAPP OSCILLATOR FOR 100 kHz

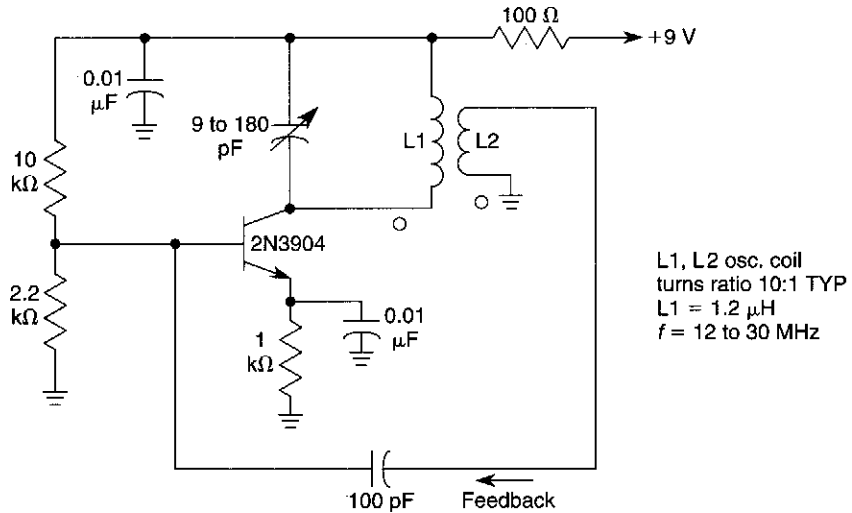


WILLIAM SHEETS

**Fig. 63-19**

This Colpitts oscillator is very stable and usable where good stability is needed, but crystal control is not desirable. It is capable of 1 part in  $10^4$  to  $10^5$  with good-quality components.

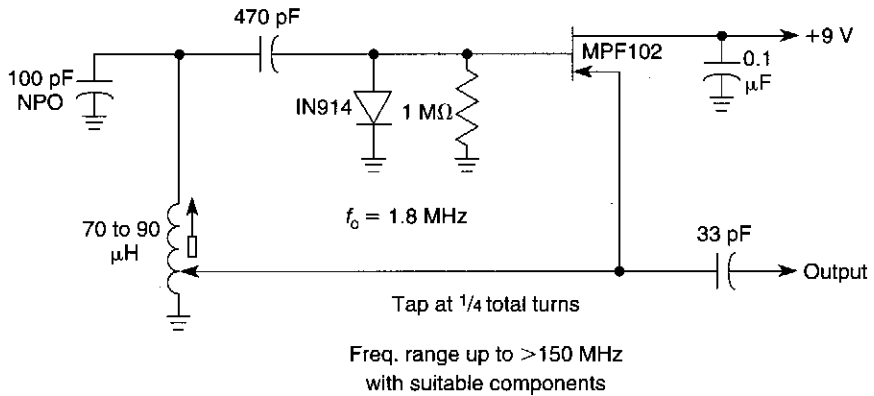
## TUNED COLLECTOR OSCILLATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 63-20

## HARTLEY OSCILLATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 63-21

This circuit uses a tapped inductor in a Hartley oscillator circuit. The tap is generally at 25 to 35% total turns in most instances.



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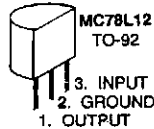
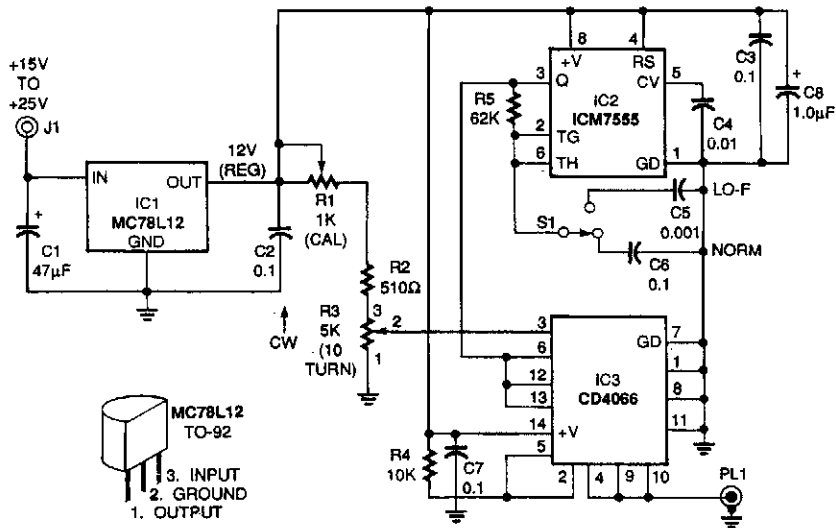
## Oscilloscope Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Scope Voltage Cursor Adapter  
Sampling-Rate Phase Lock  
Differential Amplifier for Scopes  
Delayed Video Trigger for Scopes

## SCOPE VOLTAGE CURSOR ADAPTER



ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 64-1

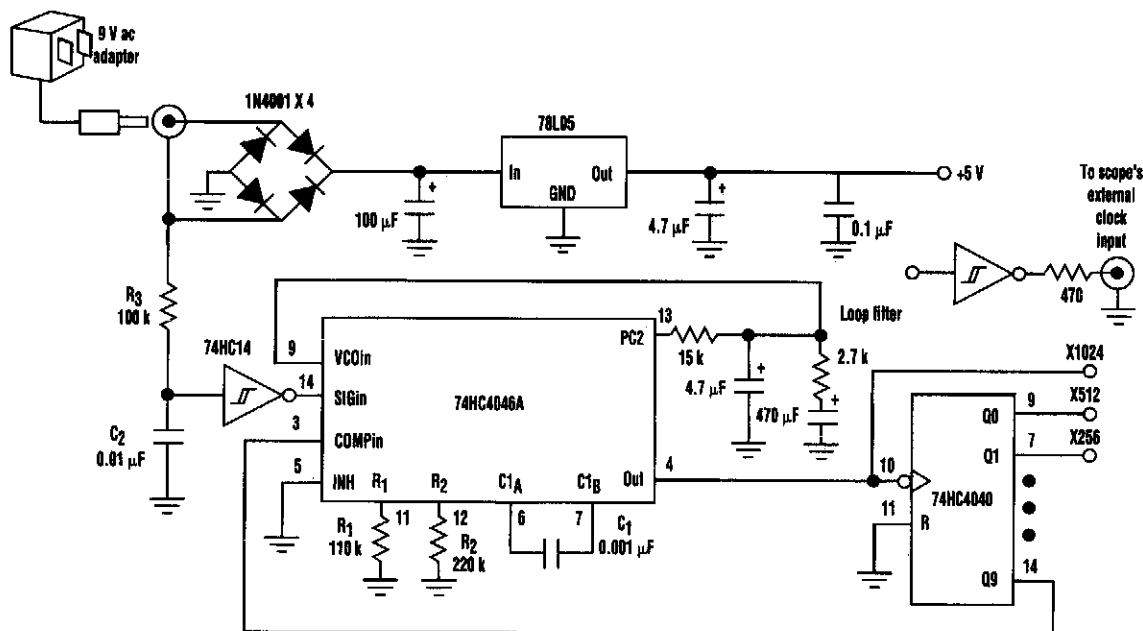
The voltage cursor adapter superimposes horizontal cursor lines on the top and bottom of the waveform—a kind of electronic calipers—to permit direct readout of the voltage value. The cursor lines extend across the entire screen. The MC78L12 voltage regulator (IC1) supplies regulated 12-Vdc to the rest of the circuit. The ICM7555 timer (IC2) drives the CD4066B, a CMOS bilateral switch (IC3). This drive frequency can either be a normal frequency (NORM) of 100 Hz or a low-frequency (LO-F) of 10 kHz, depending on the setting of switch S1. Set S1 to LO-F for inputs below 500 Hz.

The dc reference voltage supplied to pin 3 of IC3 is set by R3, a 10-turn, 5000-Ω precision potentiometer. The voltage can be read directly from a turns counter dial coupled directly to the potentiometer's wiper. The accuracy of this reading can be 1% or better. Trimmer potentiometer R1 permits the voltage to R3 to be calibrated to precisely 10 V.

The circuit is calibrated by setting the digital reading on the turns counter of R3 to the full clockwise position and adjusting R1 for a reading of 10 V at the wiper of R3 with a digital voltmeter.

Bilateral switch IC3 converts the dc reference to a square wave with exactly the same wiper amplitude. The square-wave output appears on common pins 4, 9, and 10 of IC3 and coaxial plug PL1.

## SAMPLING-RATE PHASE LOCK



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

*Fig. 64-2*

Most digital scopes have record lengths that are power of 2 (c.g., 1024 points) and sampling rates constrained to a 1-2-5 sequence. This can lead to measurement errors on power-line waveforms because an integral number of line cycles can't be captured. Digital scopes that calculate measurements, such as the rms level, across the entire record will be in error.

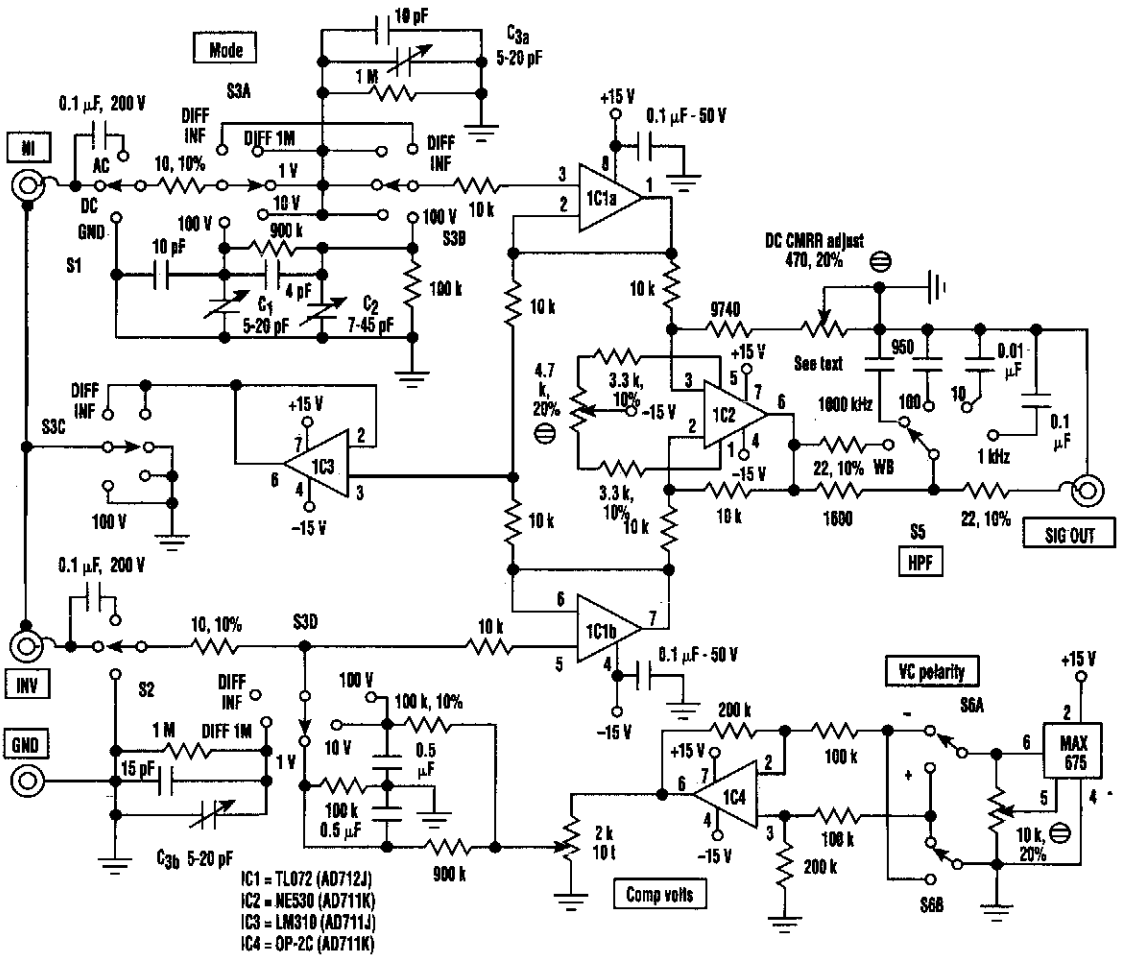
One solution to this problem is to phase-lock the scope's sampling rate to the line frequency by exploiting the external clock input found on some digital scopes. Phase-locking the sampling to line frequency also tracks variations in the power-line frequency.

A 9- or 12-Vac wall transformer provides the circuit's power and the frequency reference. The negative output of the diode bridge refines the circuit ground. The 78L05 regulator provides the +5-V supply for the three ICs. R3 and C2 create a low-pass filter on the half-cycles from one of the floating transformer outputs. R3 also limits the current into the internal diode clamps of the inverter gate. The inverter output becomes the power-line frequency reference and is one input (SIG in to the phase comparator) of the Signetics 74HC4046A phase-locked loop (PLL). The 74HC4040 divides the PLL output frequency by 1024 and feeds the divided clock back to the other PLL phase-comparator input (COMP in). The phase-comparator output (PC2) is filtered and drives the PLL's control voltage (VCO in) so that the output frequency is 1024 times the reference frequency.

With the loop filter shown, the output frequency locks to the line frequency in about 10 s. The oscillator is locked to both 50- and 60-Hz inputs using a 74HC4046A and the values shown for resistors R1 and R2 and capacitor C1.

The output signal is buffered and sent to the scope's external clock input, which is typically a TTL-compatible input. A different tap from the 74HC4040 can be selected to control the number of cycles captured in one scope record.

## DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER FOR SCOPES

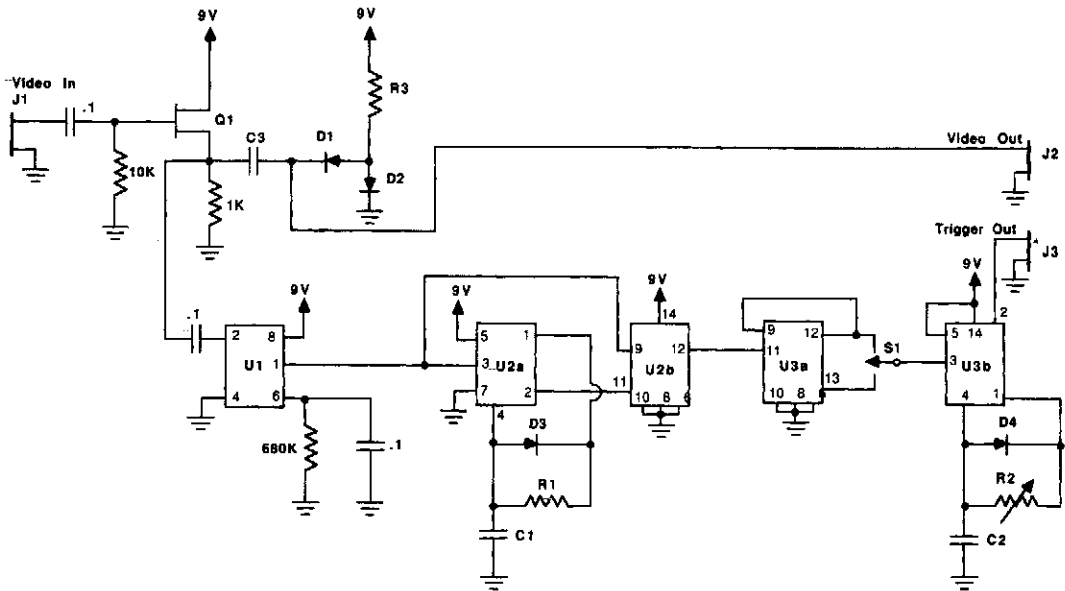


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 64-3

Differential inputs and comparator modes can be added to any general-purpose oscilloscope using this circuit setup. Calibration doesn't change because the circuit operates in unity gain in most modes. Amplifier noise level is low enough not to degrade low-level signals, and its dynamic range can handle signals up to  $\pm 12$  V peak. Notice that all of the resistors are 1%, unless specified otherwise.

## DELAYED VIDEO TRIGGER FOR SCOPES



|    |                                   |             |                             |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| R1 | 3.3k                              | D1,D2,D3,D4 | 1N914 silicon diode         |
| R2 | 1 meg potentiometer, linear taper | Q1          | MPPF102 JFET                |
| R3 | 1k                                | U1          | LM1881 video sync separator |
| C1 | 0.0047 $\mu$ F                    | U2,U3       | 4013 D type flip-flop       |
| C2 | 0.033 $\mu$ F                     | J1,J2,J3    | RCA phono jack              |
| C3 | 0.1 $\mu$ F                       | S1          | SPDT switch                 |

Note: Resistors are all 5% 1/4 watt. Capacitors are all polyester type.

This circuit will extract vertical sync from a video signal, produce a vertical sync pulse, and add an adjustable delay. This permits a delayed sweep effect to enable a scope to look at any particular horizontal line. It is useful for older scopes.

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## Photography-Related Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Charger for Photoflash Capacitor  
Slide Stepper  
Photo Super Strobe

## CHARGER FOR PHOTOFLASH CAPACITOR

- C1—0.2  $\mu\text{F}$   $\pm 20\%$ , 100 V  
 C (Load Capacitor)—480  $\mu\text{F}$ , 500 V  
 D1, D2—MR814 (Fast-Recovery Rectifier)  
 Q1—MPS6520 (Selected)  
 Q2—MPS6563 (Selected)  
 Q3—MPS6562 (Selected)  
 Q4—MP3613 (Selected)  
 VR—Neon Lamp (Selected 5 AG)  
 R1—39K  
 R2—100 $\Omega$   
 R3—1.0K  
 R4—120 $\Omega$   
 R5—150 $\Omega$   
 R6—270 $\Omega$   $\pm 5\%$   
 R7—7.5 $\Omega$   $\pm 5\%$   
 R8—1.0 M $\Omega$   
 R9—2.0 M $\Omega$  Pot  
 R10—390K  $\pm 5\%$   
 Note: All resistors  $\pm 10\%$ , 1/4 W, Unless  
 Otherwise Specified

### L1: Timing Inductor

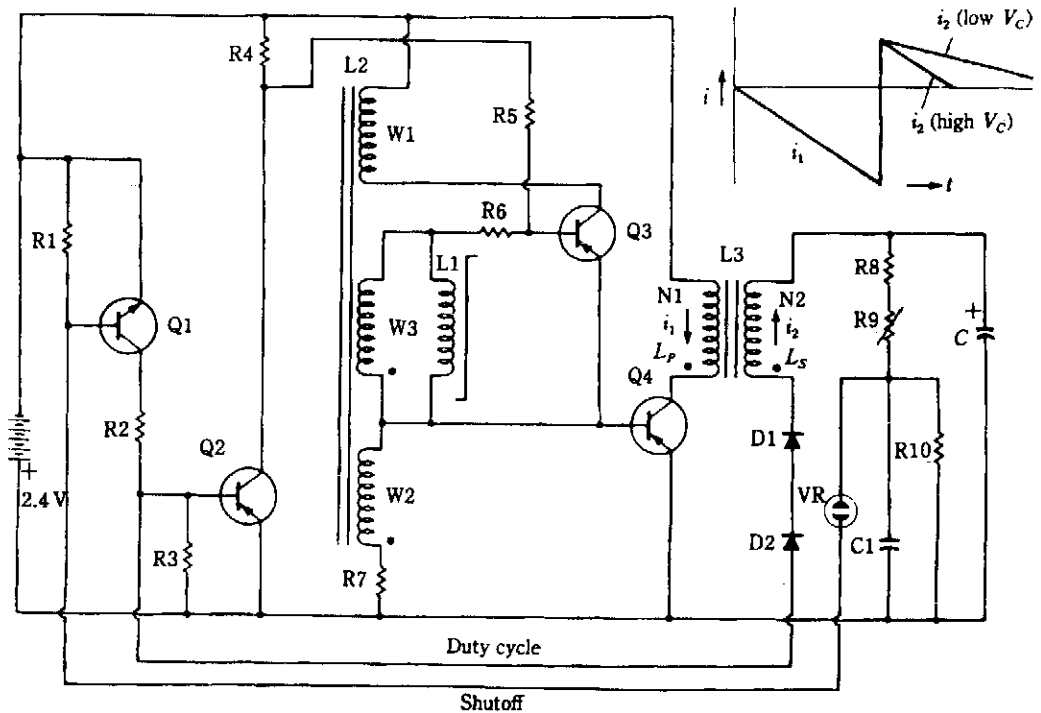
- Core: Ferroxcube 266T125-3E2A  
 Winding: 145 Turns, No. 36 Wire

### L2: Drive-Oscillator Transformer

- Core: Ferroxcube No. 18/11PL00-3B7  
 Bobbin: 1811F2D  
 Air Gap: 0.005 in  
 Windings: W1: 40 Turns, No. 28 Wire  
 W2: 20 Turns, No. 30 Wire  
 W3: 140 Turns, No. 36 Wire

### L3: Output Transformer

- Core: Ferroxcube No. 26/16P-L00-3B7  
 Bobbin: Ferroxcube No. 26/16F2D  
 Windings: N1: 11 Turns, No. 18 Wire  
 N2: 1100 Turns, No. 38 Wire  
 Air Gap: 0.030 in



This circuit charges photoflash capacitor C (480  $\mu\text{F}$ , 500 V) for photoflash usage.

## SLIDE STEPPER

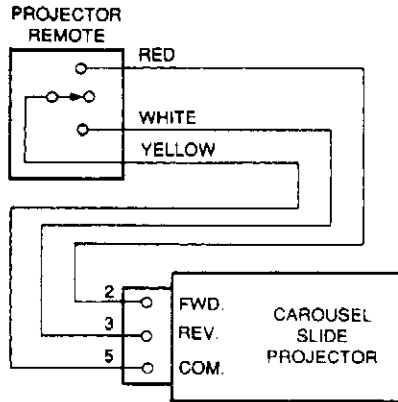


Fig. 1—ORIGINAL CONFIGURATION of the slide projector's remote control.

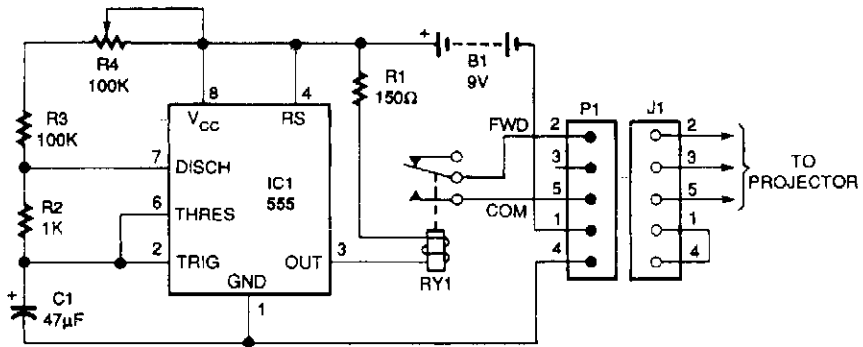


Fig. 2—SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM. The stepper circuit replaces the remote and will automatically advance the slides with a variable time delay.

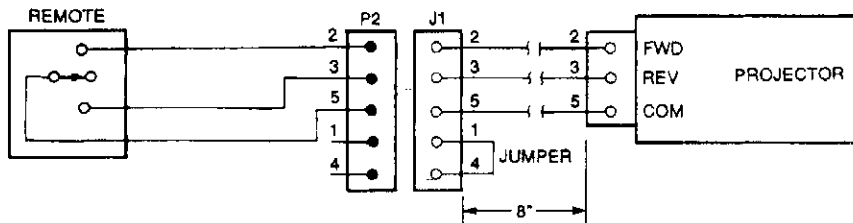
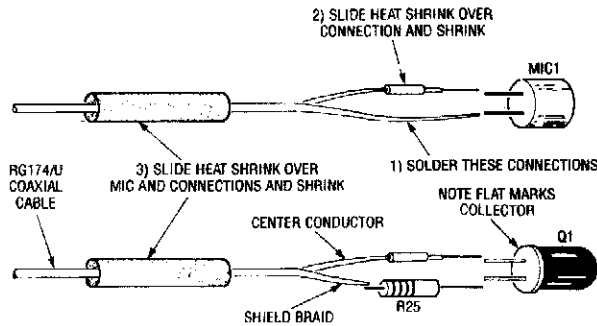
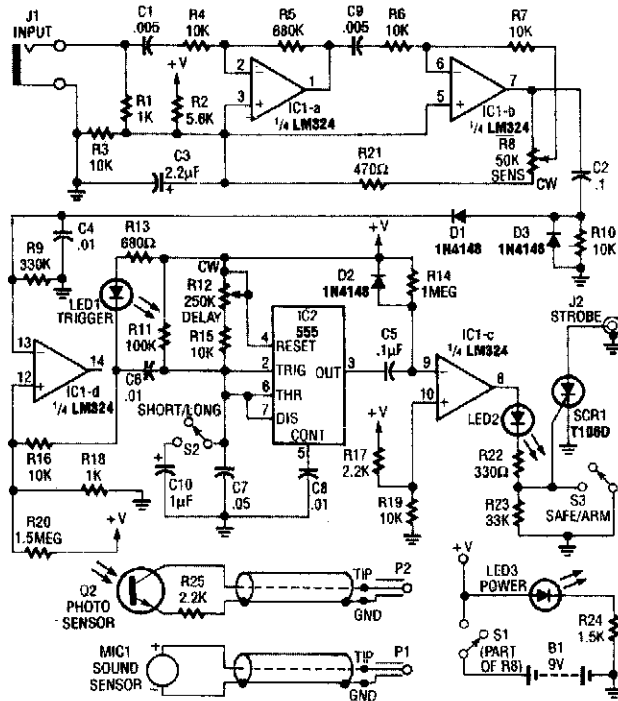


Fig. 3—CABLE MODIFICATION. This will allow the remote and the stepper circuit to be swapped easily.

This stepper circuit replaces remote controls and will automatically advance slides in a projector. The time delay is variable with R4. The cable connections are for a Kodak carousel slide projector.



## PHOTO SUPER STROBE



MAKE THE SENSOR ASSEMBLIES with heat-shrink tubing and small diameter coaxial cable such as RG-174-U. The space between the coaxial cable and the outer heat-shrink tubing is filled with a little silicone rubber.

ELECTRONICS NOW!

Fig. 65-3

A change in audio or light level on the sensor connected to J1 is amplified by IC1-a and IC1-b (rectified), and used to trigger IC2. R12 sets the delay between the trigger and the flash. IC1-c drives indicator LED2 and triggers SCR1, which sets off the strobe connected to J2. A photo cell or a microphone can be used as a sensor.

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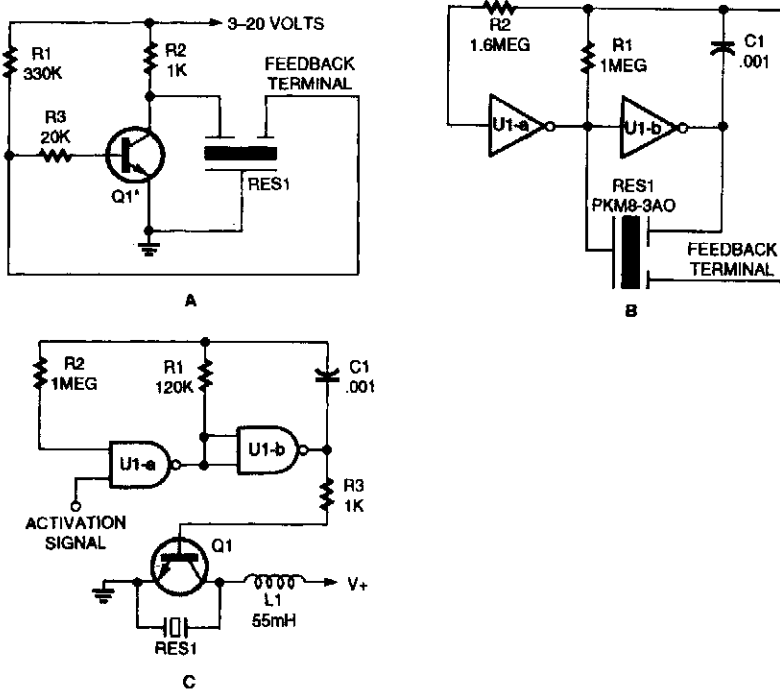
## Piezo Circuits

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Piezoelectric Driver Circuit  
Piezoelectric Buffer

## PIEZOELECTRIC DRIVER CIRCUIT

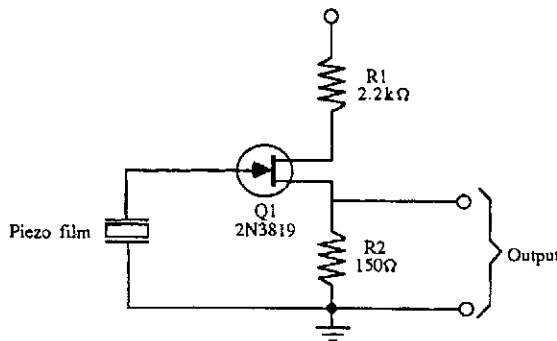


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

*Fig. 66-1*

Three-terminal piezoelectric elements are typically driven by transistor circuits (A), or logic gates (B). Two-terminal devices can be driven by two NAND gates. A booster coil is used to compensate for the sound-pressure attenuation caused by the case.

## PIEZOELECTRIC BUFFER



- R1 2.2 kΩ
  - R2 150 Ω
  - Q1 2N3819 FET transistor
  - Misc. Piezo disc
- All resistors are 5 to 10 percent tolerance, 1/4 watt.

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*Fig. 66-2*

This circuit will serve as a buffer for experiments with Kynar film, a piezoelectric material, or with piezo devices.

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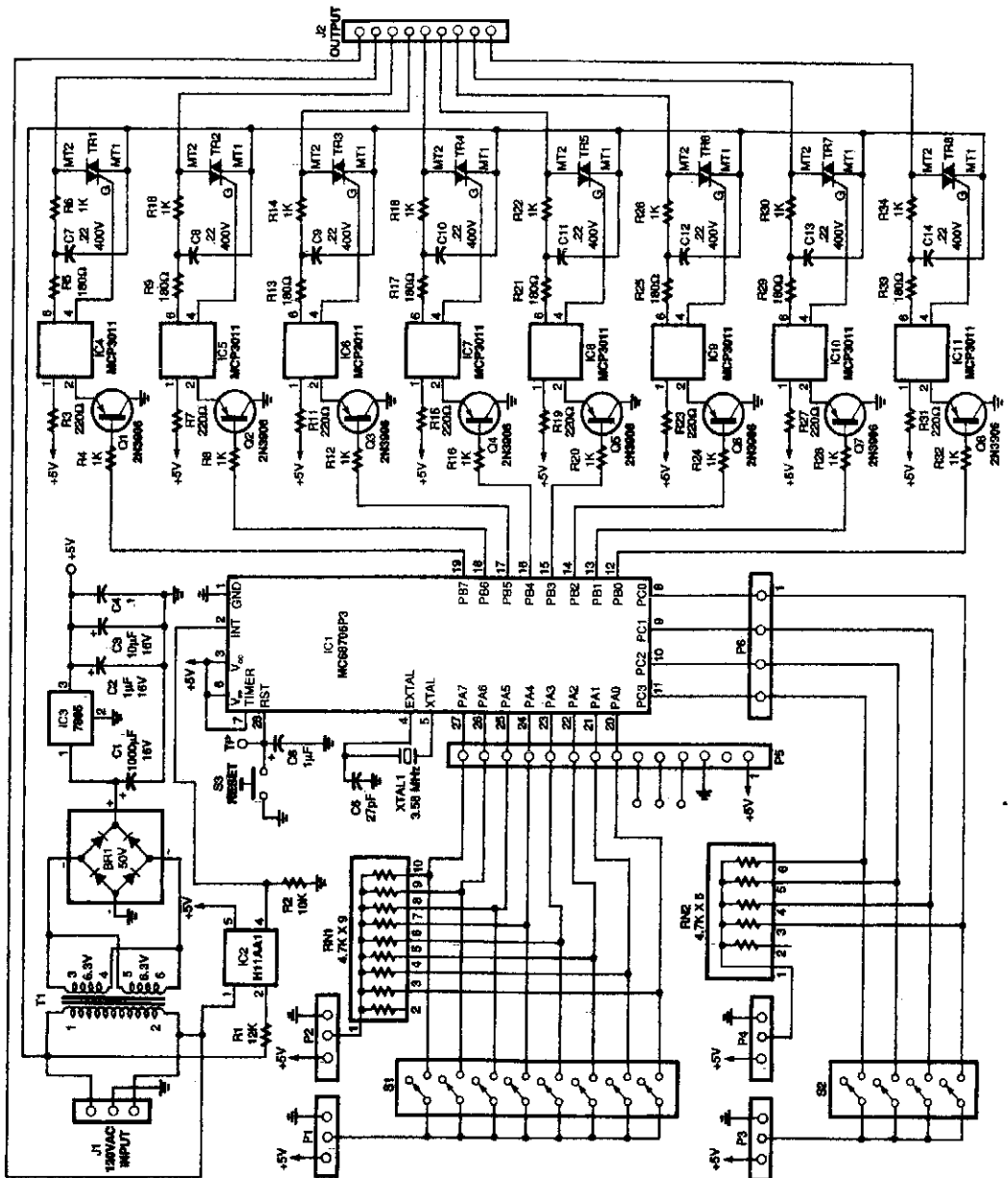
## Power Line Circuits

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ac Power Controller  
ac Power-Line Monitor  
Power-Line Modem for Computer Control  
Low-Voltage Power Controller

## ac POWER CONTROLLER



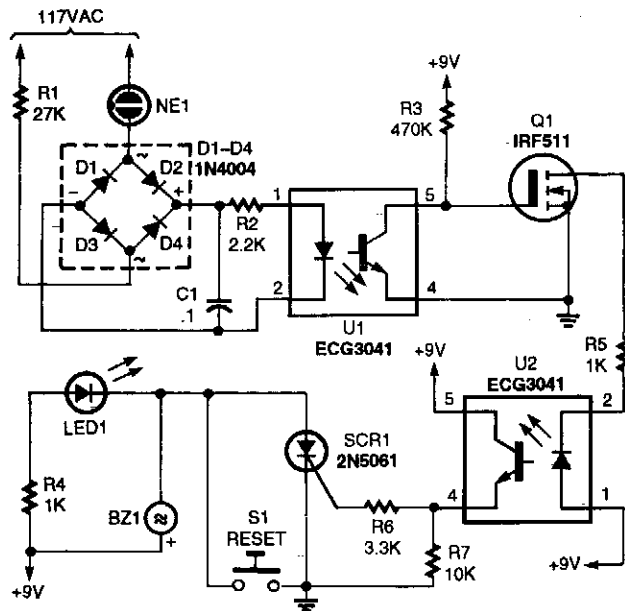
## ac POWER CONTROLLER (Cont.)

This circuit is used to vary the power delivered to a 120-Vac load under software control. A 68705 micro controller can control eight discrete power triacs, each of which delivers power in 32 smoothly graduated steps, ranging from 0 to 97% of full power. The value delivered to one channel is independent of the value delivered to any other channel. Loads can include light displays, universal motors, heaters, and other appliances.

The power level is set by software, not a potentiometer. The software includes a basic set of routines for processing interrupts and setting the power level. The software also includes five test and demonstration routines for putting the circuit through its paces. Moreover, there's plenty of room to add your own routines to the 68705's built-in EPROM.

The basic circuit is simple, yet versatile enough to accept inputs from on-board DIP switches; alternatively, the inputs can be driven from a microcomputer bus or parallel port, or a stand-alone device with TTL-compatible outputs. There are 12 input bits to set modes and specify values.

## ac POWER-LINE MONITOR

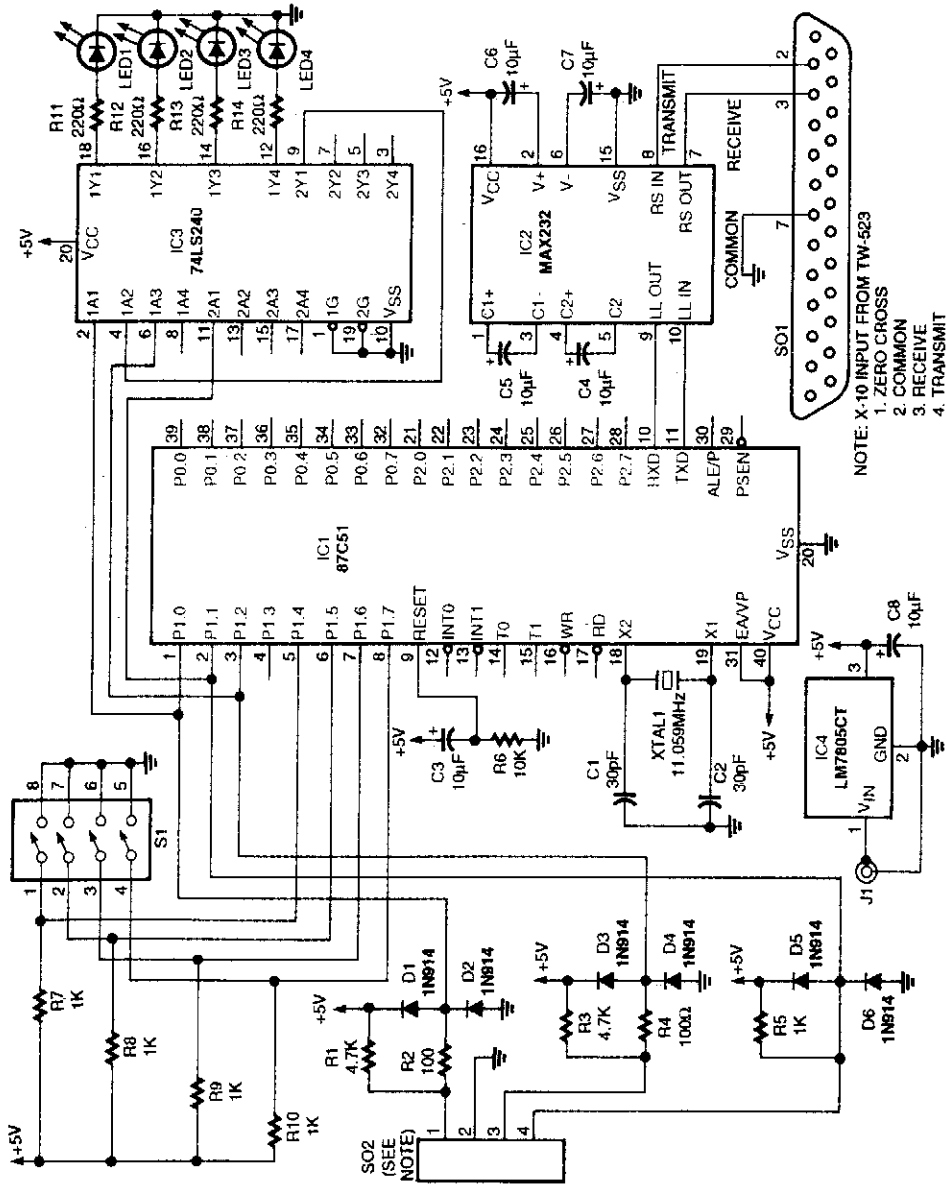


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-2

When the power-line voltage source fails, Q1 turns on, activates optoisolator U2, and triggers SCR1. For small SCRs, U1 might directly trigger SCR1.

## POWER-LINE MODEM FOR COMPUTER CONTROL

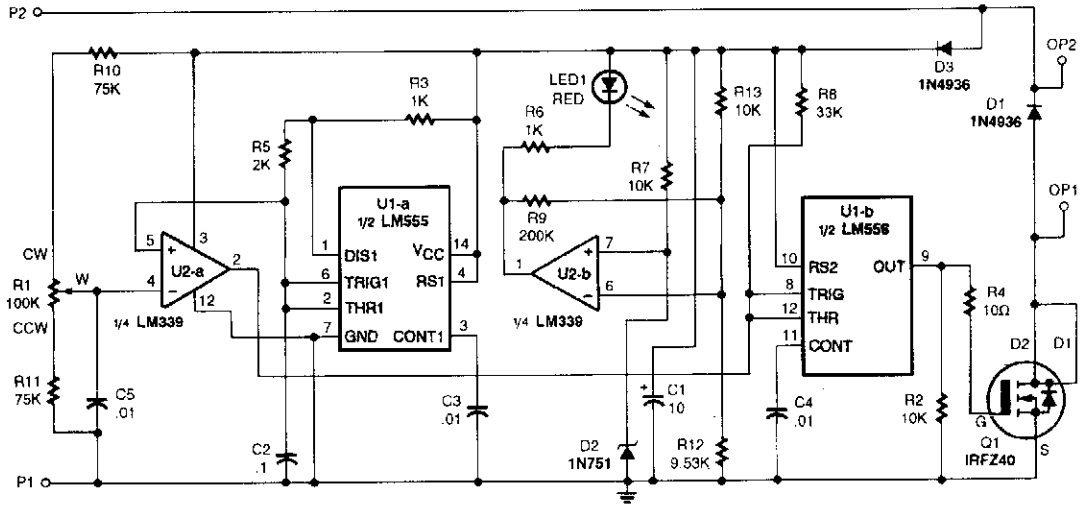


ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 67-3

This circuit uses an 87C51 microcontroller and a few peripherals to condition X-10 power-line carrier-code formats from a personal computer to use an X-10 power-line interface in a home-control system. Software details are available in the reference.

## LOW-VOLTAGE POWER CONTROLLER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 67-4

The circuit has a duty-cycle generator that will produce an output varying from fully off to fully on and pulses of any duty cycle in between the two extremes.

This method of operation is called *PWM* (*pulse width modulation*). The circuit can be fed from any dc supply source of between 10 to 15 V. Half of an LM556 dual oscillator/timer and U2-a (¼ of an LM339 quad comparator) combine to form a voltage-to-pulse-width converter. The first half of the dual oscillator/timer (U1-a) is configured as an astable oscillator, generating a continuously oscillating ramp voltage. Op amp U2-a compares the voltage at its noninverting input (pin 5)—which is connected to pins 2 and 6 of U1-a—to the voltage at its inverting input (pin 4). The op amp will produce a low output if R1's wiper voltage is higher than the instantaneous voltage that is present at pins 2 and 6 of U1-a. The output of U2-a at pin 2 will have an on/off ratio that is proportional to the voltage at R1's wiper.

The output of U2-a is fed to U1-b, which is used to buffer the signal. The low-impedance, pulsed output of U1-b at pin 9 is fed to the gate of MOSFET Q1, driving it on or off. The circuit also has a power-input detector, built around U2-b and LED1. If the input power is OK, LED1 will shut off.

Diode D1 is used to suppress the reverse voltage spikes that are generated by inductive loads during turn off; without that diode, the MOSFET might be destroyed. If the circuit will not be used to drive inductive loads (motors), D1 can be eliminated.



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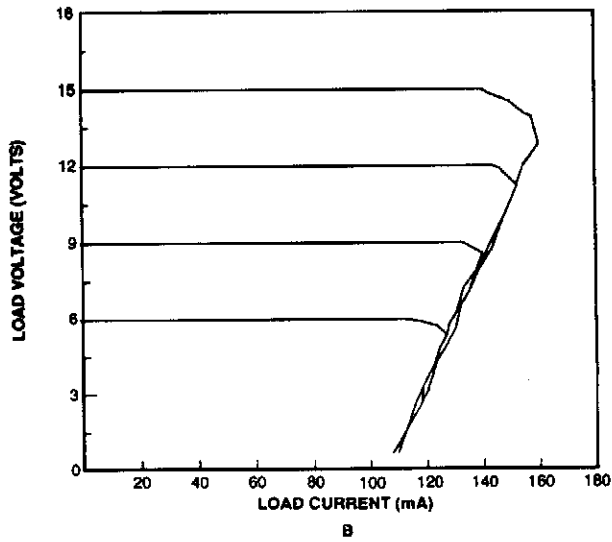
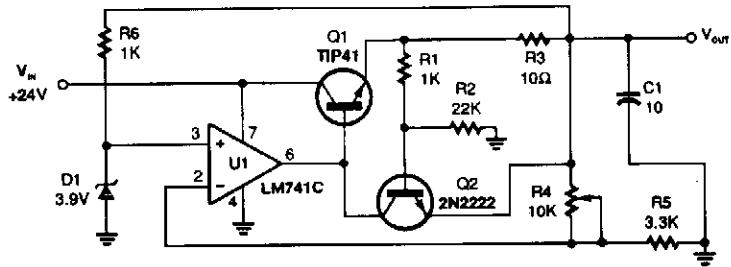
## Power Supply Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|  |  |
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| Foldback Current Limiter                       | Two-Terminal 100-mA Current Regulator        |
| Current-Limiting Regulator Circuit             | Two-Phase Rectifier                          |
| Switching Power Supply                         | Low-Noise 5-V Supply                         |
| Transformerless dc Power Supply I              | Positive Regulator with 0- to 70-V Output    |
| +5-V at 1.5- to 3-A Supply, +6- to +15-V Input | Simple 12-V Power Supply                     |
| Transformerless dc Power Supply II             | 3.3 V from 5-V Logic Supplies                |
| Fast 3.3-V Regulator                           | 12-V Supply                                  |
| Power Supply for High-Power Autosound Amp      | 4- to 70-V Regulator                         |
| IC Regulator Protection                        | Switched Power-Control Circuits              |
| 3.3-V Switching Regulator                      | Multiple On-Card Regulator Adjuster          |
| NE602 Power-Supply Options                     | Simple 9-V Power Supply                      |
| Simple 9-V Power Supply                        | +5-V at 1-A Supply with +3- to +5-V Input    |
| Tracking Power Supply                          | 5-Vdc Regulated Supply                       |
| Power Efficient Voltage Regulator              | Buffered Reference Supply                    |
| Low Drop-Out Regulator                         | 5-V Logic Regulator with Electronic Shutdown |
| SCR Switching Supply for Color TV Receivers    | 12-Vdc Regulated Supply                      |
| Regulator Circuit for Bilateral                | Junked Transistor Regulators                 |
| Source/Load Power System                       | Teleprinter Loop Supply                      |
| Fast 3.3-V Adjustable Regulator                | 5-A Constant-Voltage Supply                  |

## FOLDBACK CURRENT LIMITER

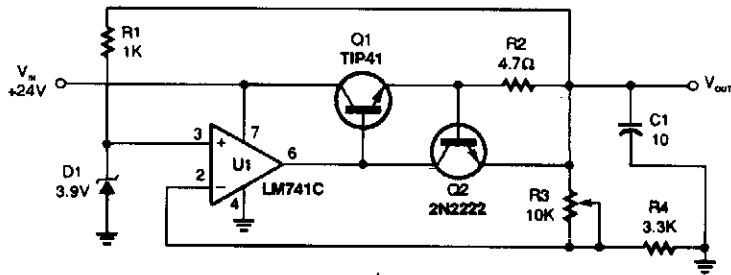


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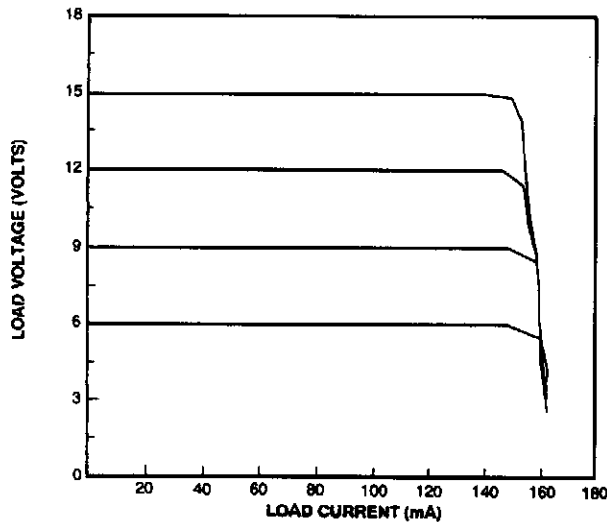
Fig. 68-1

This regulator uses the drop across R3 to sense current draw, turning on Q2, removing drive from Q1, and lowering the output voltage. Limiting occurs when Q2 has 0.65 V across the base-emitter junction. This circuit has foldback characteristics as seen from the figure.

## CURRENT-LIMITING REGULATOR CIRCUIT



A



B

As shown in B, maximum load current is practically the same at all supply voltages with constant current limiting.

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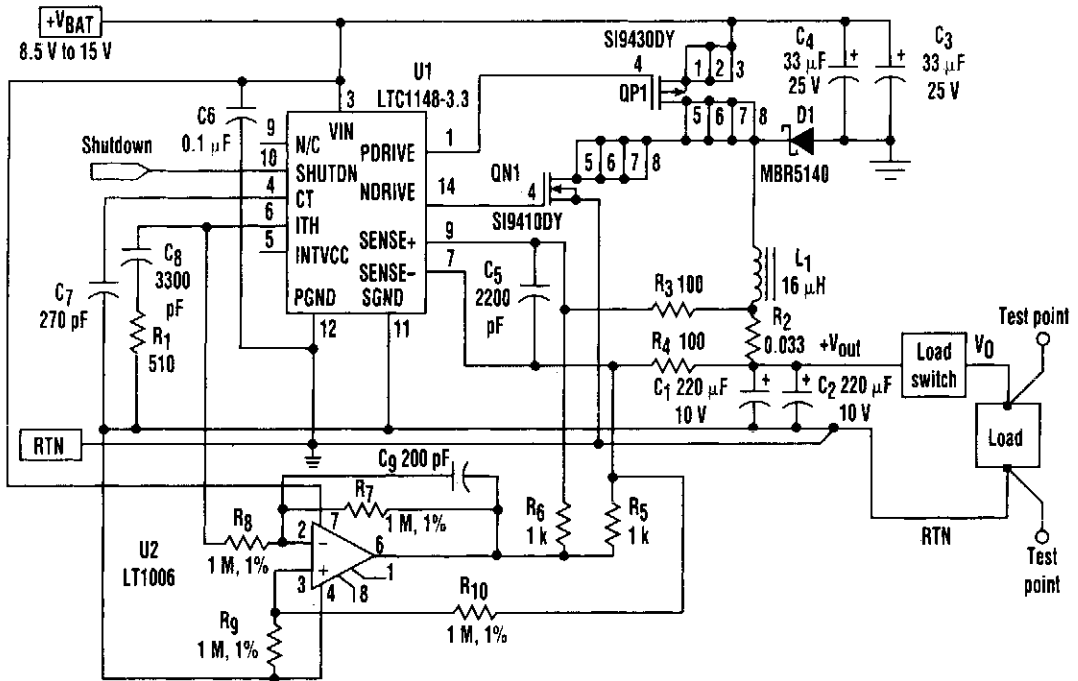
**Fig. 68-2**

This regulator uses the drop across R2 to turn on Q2, removing base drive from Q1 and reducing the current through R1. About 0.65 V must be dropped across R2 before limiting occurs. To set limit current,

$$R_2 \approx \frac{0.65}{I_{\text{LIMIT (amps)}}$$

$$\text{Output voltage} = V_{\text{OUT}} = (3.9) \frac{(R_3 + R_4)}{R_4}$$

## SWITCHING POWER SUPPLY



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 68-3

In many switching-regulator applications for portable computers, the microprocessor is located some distance from the power supply. With the latest processors, total load currents range into several amperes. Thus, regulation at the load can become a problem.

The  $I_{TH}$  pin (pin 6) of the LTC1148 is approximately proportional to the load current. It scales nearly linearly from 0 V at no load to 2.0 V at current limit. U2, acting as a unity-gain differential amplifier, inverts the U1 pin 6 voltage (referenced to SENSE—, pin 7) and causes a current proportional to load current to flow in resistors R5 and R6. A small voltage drop appears across current-sense filter resistors R3 and R4. This makes the voltage measured by the internal feedback divider appear low. The duty factor is adjusted to bring this back to the correct voltage. As a result, the output is increased slightly as a function of load. Capacitor C9 rolls off the high-frequency gain of the correction amplifier.

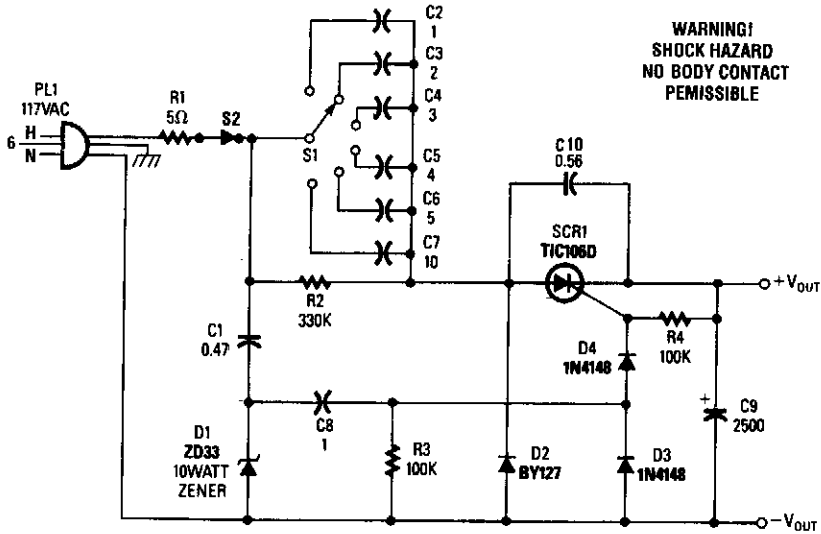
$$R_{comp} = \frac{(V_{pin6} \times R_{fil})}{V_{corr}}$$

where:  $R_{comp} = R_5 = R_6$

$R_{fil} = R_3$  and  $R_4$

$V_{corr} = \text{Measured drop.}$

## TRANSFORMERLESS dc POWER SUPPLY I

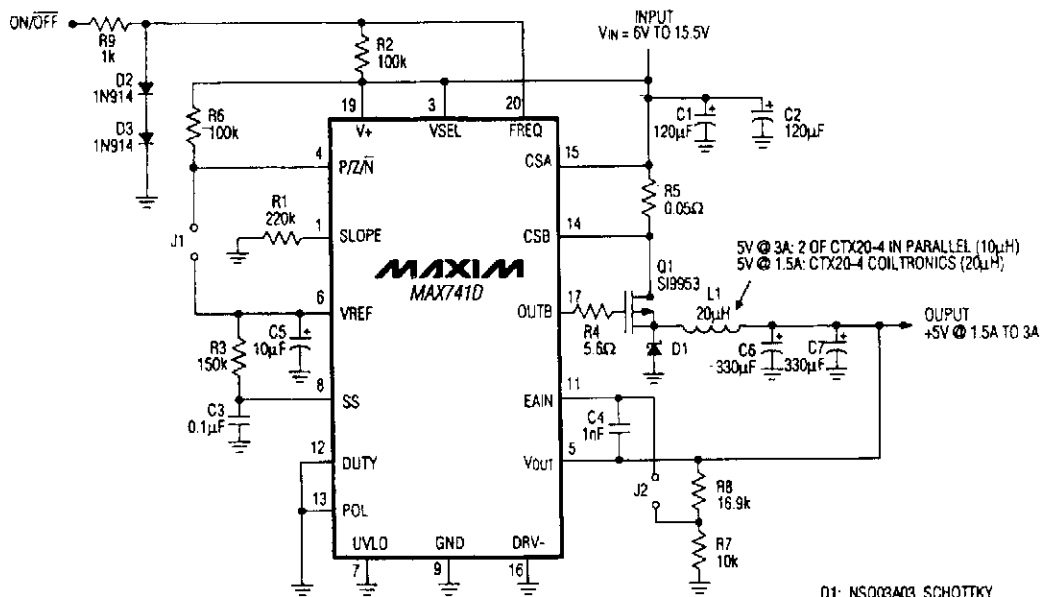


**TABLE 1—OUTPUT CURRENT/VOLTAGE AT SPECIFIED LOADS**

| Capacitance<br>( $\mu$ F) | Load             |                 |                  |                 |                  |                 |
|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                           | 100 Ohms         |                 | 200 Ohms         |                 | 1000 Ohms        |                 |
|                           | $V_{OUT}$<br>(V) | Current<br>(mA) | $V_{OUT}$<br>(V) | Current<br>(mA) | $V_{OUT}$<br>(V) | Current<br>(mA) |
| 1                         | 3.2              | 31              | 6.0              | 29              | 25               | 24              |
| 2                         | 6.4              | 61              | 11.2             | 54              | 41               | 41              |
| 3                         | 9.0              | 87              | 16.1             | 78              | 52               | 52              |
| 4                         | 11.8             | 113             | 20.7             | 100             | 61               | 61              |
| 5                         | 15.5             | 147             | 24.7             | 120             | 67               | 67              |
| 6                         | 17.8             | 169             | 28.8             | 140             | 68               | 68              |
| 7                         | 18.5             | 176             | 31.9             | 155             | 69.4             | 68              |
| 8                         | 20.3             | 195             | 36.8             | 173             | 70               | 71              |
| 9                         | 22.8             | 220             | 41.0             | 193             | 70               | 71              |
| 10                        | 24.9             | 238             | 42.0             | 204             | 71               | 71              |
| 11                        | 27.1             | 259             | 44.9             | 219             | —                | —               |
| 14                        | 33.0             | 317             | 52.7             | 257             | —                | —               |
| 20                        | 43.5             | 422             | 65.8             | 322             | —                | —               |

An SCR fires on the positive half cycles of the ac line voltage. Switched capacitors are used to select the output voltage. These must all be ac-rated, nonpolarized types.

### +5-V AT 1.5- TO 3-A SUPPLY, +6- TO +15-V INPUT

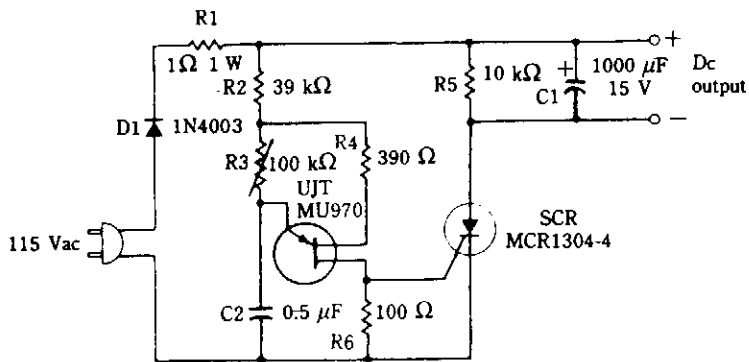


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Fig. 68-5

Operating efficiencies of 80 to 90% are possible using the MAX741D and this circuit.

### TRANSFORMERLESS dc POWER SUPPLY II

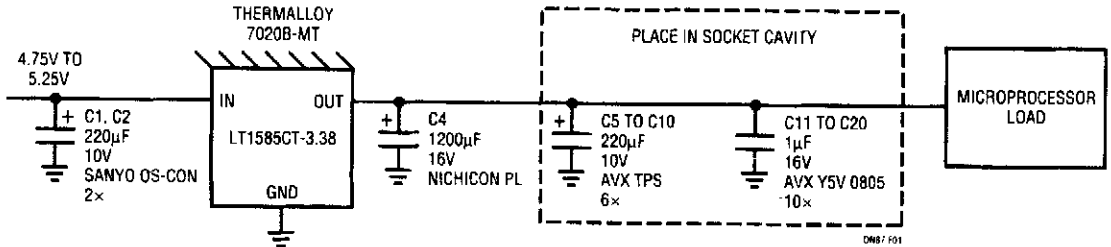


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Fig. 68-6

Although it is simple, this supply can provide 10 to 15 V at 100 mA directly from the ac lines. This circuit has no isolation from the ac line; therefore, there is a shock hazard and it should only be used where no possibility of contacting external devices, circuits, or personnel exists.

## FAST 3.3-V REGULATOR



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 NICHICON (AMERICA) CORPORATION: (708) 843-7500  
 SANYO VIDEO COMPONENTS (USA) CORPORATION: (619) 661-6322  
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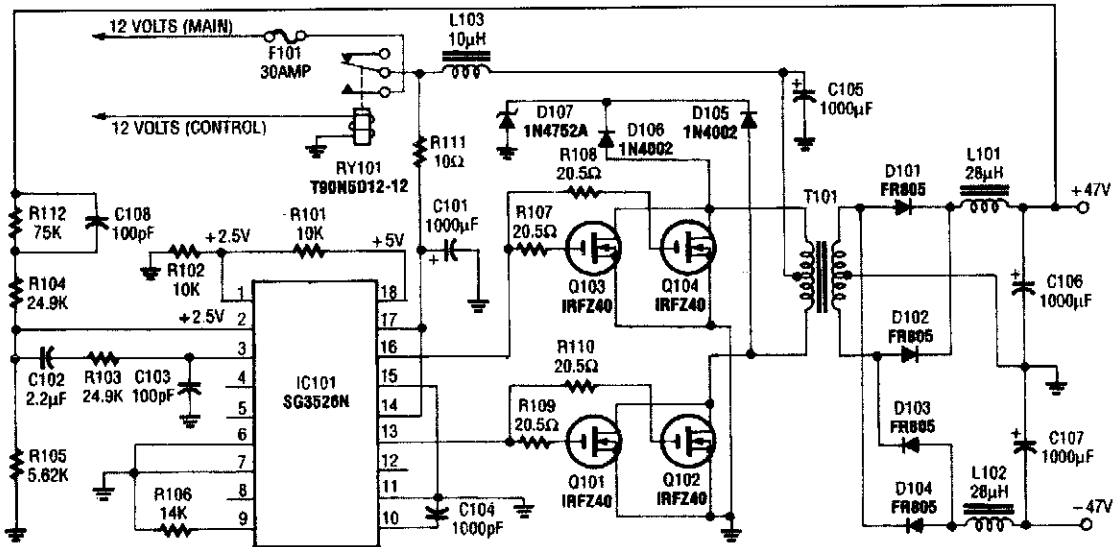
**Fig. 68-7**

New high-performance microprocessors require a fresh look at power-supply transient response. The LT1585 linear regulator features 1% initial accuracy, excellent temperature drift and load regulation, and virtually perfect line regulation. Complementing superb dc characteristics, the LT1585 exhibits extremely fast response to transients. Transient response is affected by more than the regulator itself. Stray inductances in the layout and bypass capacitors, as well as capacitor ESR dominate the response during the first 400 ns of transient.

The figure shows a bypassing scheme developed to meet all the requirements for the Intel P44C-VR microprocessor. Input capacitors C1 and C2 function primarily to decouple load transients from the 5-V logic supply. The values used here are optimized for a typical 5-V desktop computer "silver box" power-supply input. C5 to C10 provide bulk capacitance at low ESR and ESL, and C11 to C20 keep the capacitance at low ESR and ESL low at high (>100 kHz) frequencies. C4 is a damper and it minimizes ringing during setting. Trace C is the load current step, which is essentially flat at 4 A with a 20-ns rise time.

Trace A is the output settling response at 20 mV per division. Cursor trace B marks -46 mV relative to the initial output voltage. At the onset of load current, the microprocessor socket voltage dips to -38 mV as a result of inductive effects in the board and capacitors, and the ESR of the capacitors. The inductive effects persist for approximately 400 ns. For the next 3 µs, the output droops as the load current drains the bypass capacitors. The trend then reverses as the LT1585 catches up with the load demand, and the output settles after approximately 50 µs. Running 4 A with a 1.7-V drop, the regulator dissipates 6.8 W.

## POWER SUPPLY FOR HIGH-POWER AUTOSOUND AMP

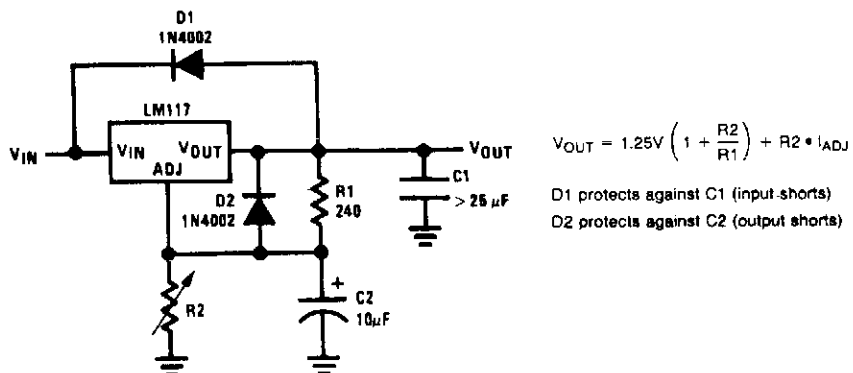


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-8

A switching mode inverter is used with a pulse-width modulation voltage regulator (SG35260). Four IRF240 power MOSFETs are used as switches. The output is  $\pm 47$  V at about 5 A peak. Transformer T101 is a four-turn center tapped primary, and 16-turn center tapped secondary on a Ferroxcube ETD-34 core.

## IC REGULATOR PROTECTION



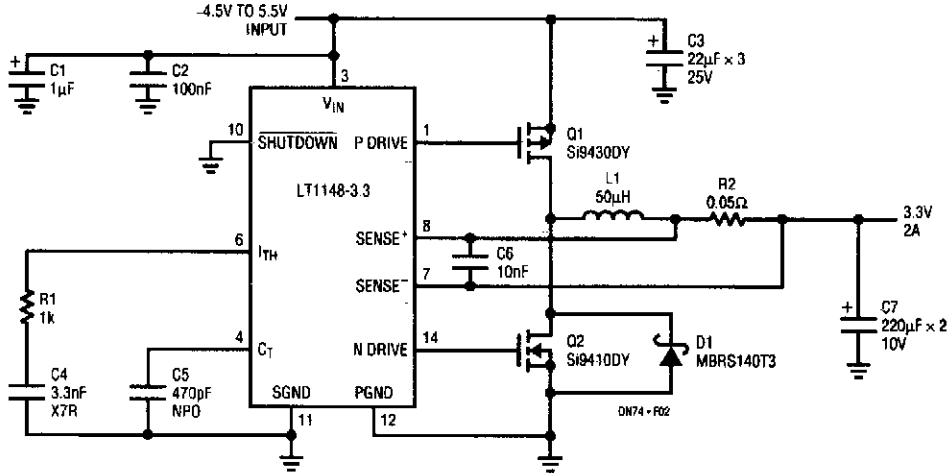
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Fig. 68-9

This circuit protects an IC regulator against various fault conditions.



### 3.3-V SWITCHING REGULATOR

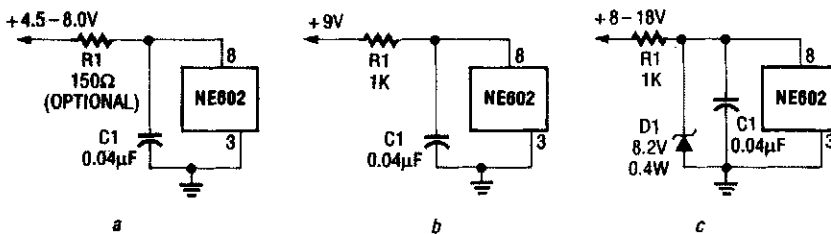


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Fig. 68-10

For the LT1129-3.3, dissipation amounts to a little under 1.5 W at full output current. The 5-lead surface-mount DD package handles this without the aid of a heatsink, provided that the device is mounted over at least 2500 mm<sup>2</sup> of ground or power-supply plane. Efficiency is around 62%; dissipation in linear regulators becomes prohibitive at higher current levels, where they are supplanted by high-efficiency switching regulators. The synchronous buck converter is implemented with an LTC1148 converter. The LTC1148 uses both Burst Mode™ operation and continuous, constant off-time control to regulate the output voltage, and maintain high efficiency across a wide range of output loading conditions.

### NE602 POWER-SUPPLY OPTIONS

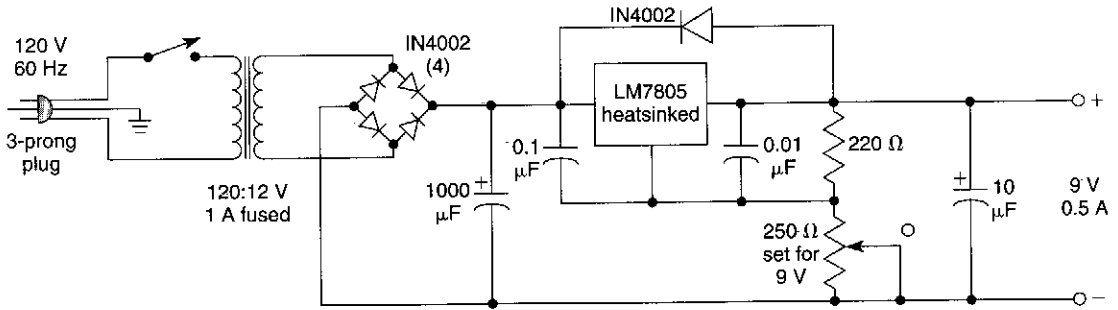


RADIO-ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-11

Here, Figs. 68-11A through 68-11C show an RC-filter used as both current limiter (R1) and integrator (C1), as well as for isolation. In Fig. 68-11A, +4.5 to 8.0 Vdc is the normal operating range of the NE602. In Fig. 68-11B, R1 drops voltage, and is used because a +9-V battery can go higher, and a +9-V wall supply can produce up to 11 V. In Fig. 68-11C, a +8- to 18-Vdc supply is regulated using a 8.2-V Zener for D1.

### SIMPLE 9-V SUPPLY

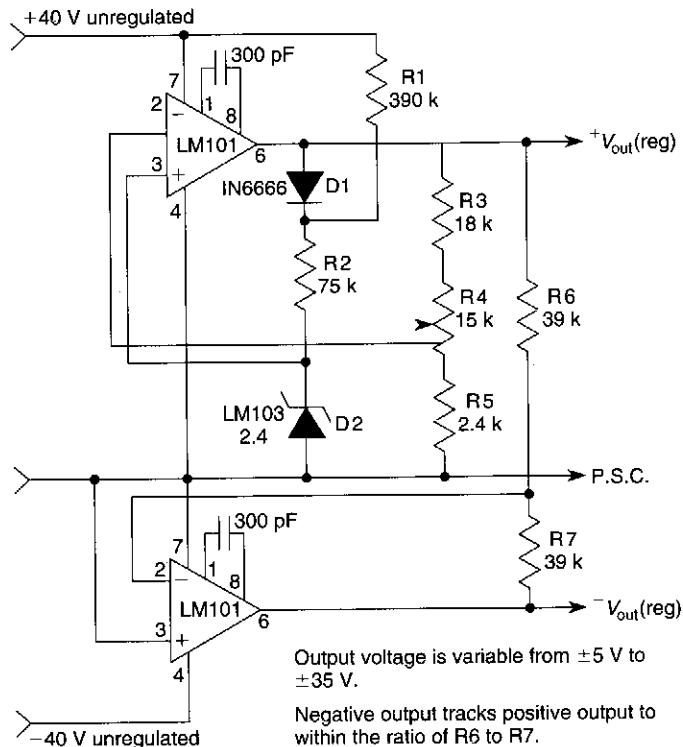


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Fig. 68-12

This circuit uses an LM7805 with a resistive voltage divider in the common leg of the regulator. The regulator can be "fooled" into producing an apparent higher output voltage in this manner. This supply is useful for running radios, tape recorders, or other 9-V devices.

### TRACKING POWER SUPPLY

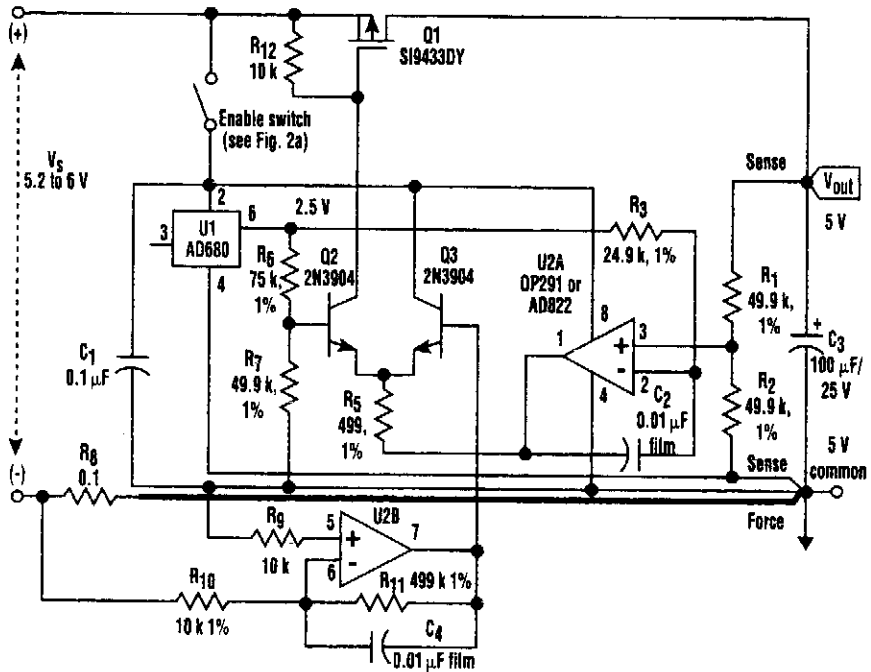


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Fig. 68-13

Two op amps are used in this basic op-amp regulator circuit. The outputs can be fed to current amplifier stages or emitter followers, if needed.

## POWER EFFICIENT VOLTAGE REGULATOR

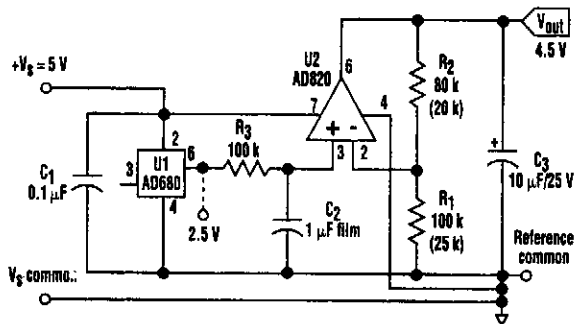


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 68-14

Included in the many features of this power-efficient, voltage-regulator circuit is shutdown power control with a current output up to several hundred milliamperes (expandable to amperes, if desired). Current limiting can be preset to a fixed level for controlled dissipation in Q1 and the circuit requires no auxiliary voltage supply for the pass transistor.

## LOW DROP-OUT REGULATOR

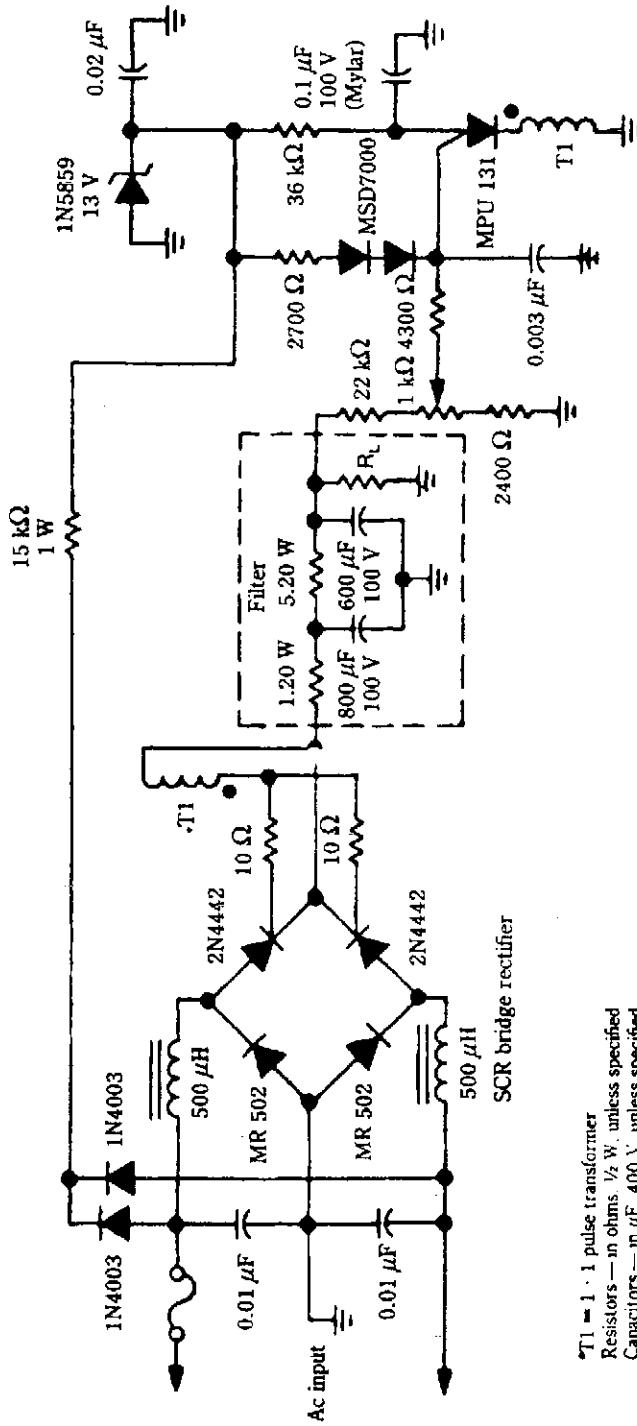


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 68-15

This low-dropout reference produces a 4.5-V output from a supply just a few hundred millivolts greater. With 1-mA dc loading, it maintains a stable 4.5-V output for inputs down to 4.7 V.

## SCR SWITCHING SUPPLY FOR COLOR TV RECEIVERS

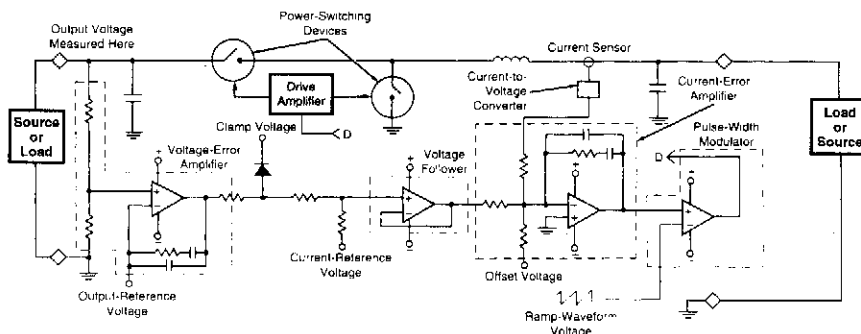


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Fig. 68-16

An output +80 V at up to 1.5 A is available from this supply. A minimum load of 200 mA is required because of the SCR holding current. Notice that no ac line isolation is provided and a shock hazard exists.

## REGULATOR CIRCUIT FOR BILATERAL SOURCE/LOAD POWER SYSTEM



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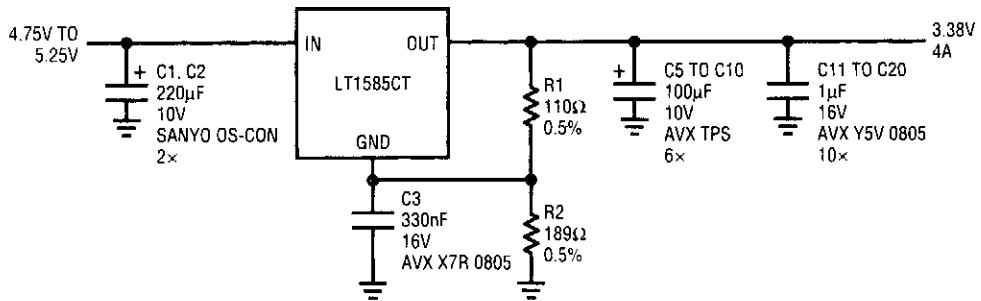
Fig. 68-17

The figure shows a circuit that regulates an output voltage, regardless of the direction of flow of output current. More specifically, it regulates the voltage at the left source or load, which can either supply power to or receive power from the right load or source, depending on the voltages and the direction of flow of current at the load/source terminals.

The overall system can be characterized as a voltage-controlled current source with bilateral current capability. The current flowing between the two source/loads, averaged over a power-switching cycle, is made to depend on the pulse-width modulation that governs the operation of the two power-switching devices, and this pulse-width modulation is, in turn, a function of amplified current-error and voltage-error signals. The voltage error is the difference between the actual output voltage and the output-reference voltage, which is the nominal output voltage at zero current. The pulse-width modulation is varied to increase or decrease the current, as needed, to limit the excursion of output voltage from the reference value.

An additional feature of this control circuit is that the maximum current in either direction can be limited by limiting the excursion of the output voltage from the zero-current value. Thus, external current-limiting circuitry is not necessary.

## FAST 3.3-V ADJUSTABLE REGULATOR



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Fig. 68-18

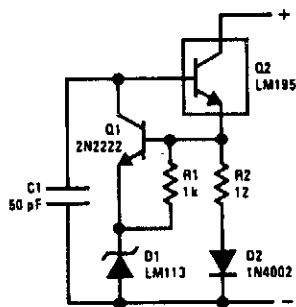
The adjustable version of the LT1585 makes it relatively easy to accommodate multiple microprocessor power-supply voltage specifications. To retain the tight tolerance of the LT1585 internal reference, a 0.5% resistor adjustment is recommended. R1 is sized to carry approximately 10 mA idling current ( $\leq 124 \Omega$ ), and R2 is calculated from:

$$R_2 = \frac{V_o - V_{ref}}{\frac{V_{ref}}{R_1} + I_{ADM}}$$

where:

$$I_{ADM} = 60 \mu \text{ and } V_{ref} = 1.250 \text{ V.}$$

## TWO-TERMINAL 100-mA CURRENT REGULATOR



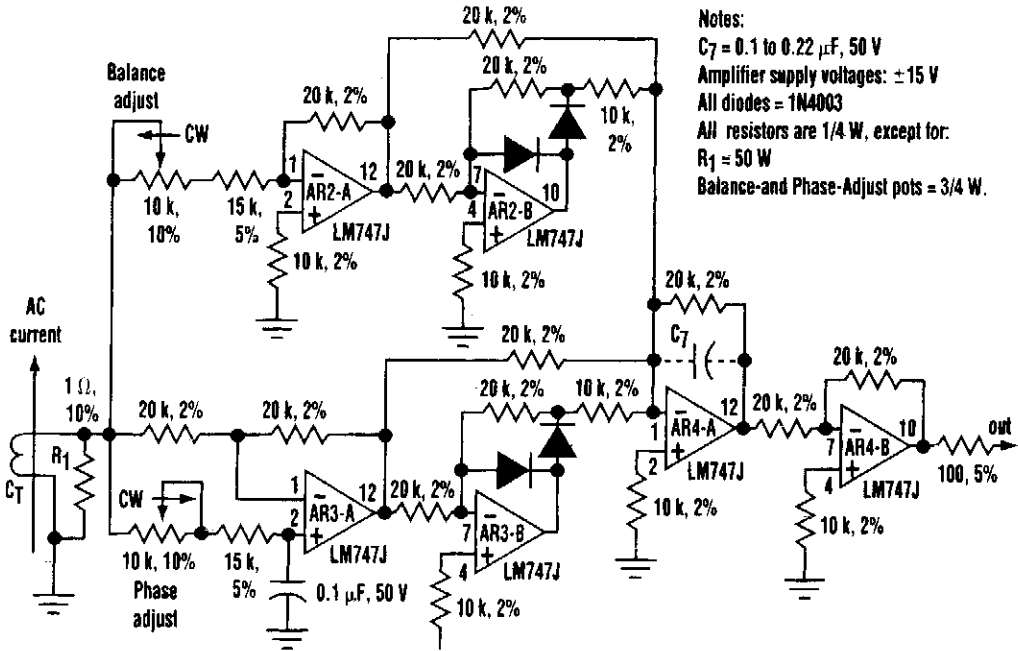
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Fig. 68-19

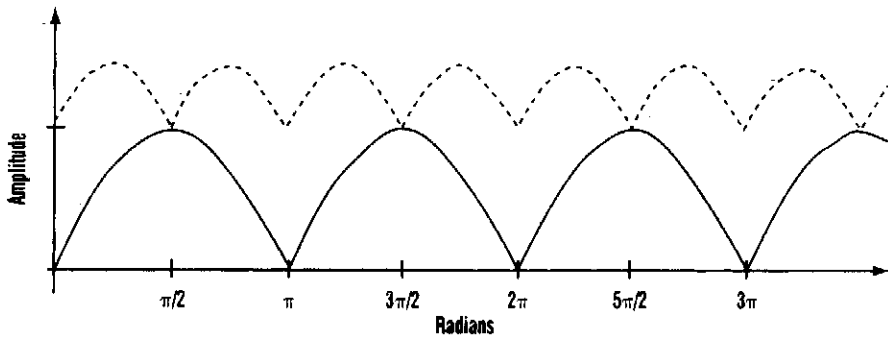
The circuit has a low temperature coefficient and operates down to 3 V. The reverse base current of the LM195 biases the circuit.

A 2N2222 is used to control the voltage across current-sensing resistor, R2 and diode D1, and therefore the current through it. The voltage across the sense network is the  $V_{BE}$  of the 2N2222 plus 1.2 V from the LM113. In the sense network, R2 sets the current and D1 compensates for the  $V_{BE}$  of the transistor. Resistor R1 sets the current through the LM113 to 0.6 mA.

## TWO-PHASE RECTIFIER



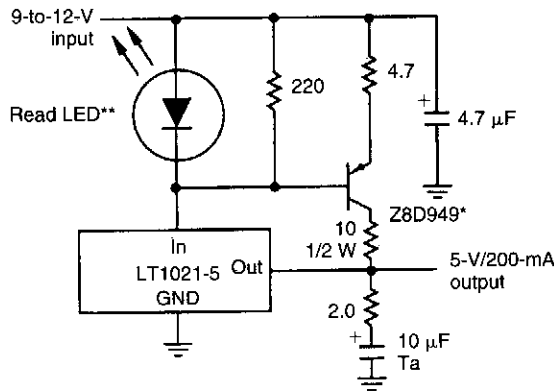
Notes:  
 C<sub>7</sub> = 0.1 to 0.22 μF, 50 V  
 Amplifier supply voltages: ±15 V  
 All diodes = 1N4003  
 All resistors are 1/4 W, except for:  
 R<sub>1</sub> = 50 W  
 Balance and Phase-Adjust pots = 3/4 W.



A single-phase AC signal can be converted to two phase with this circuit. It rectifies and sums the signal to a dc voltage level.

The waveform generated by the two-phase rectifier illustrates that the ripple is less than half that of a conventional single-phase circuit's waveform. Also, the ripple frequency is double that of the conventional circuit. The circuit will follow amplitude changes in the ac input signal very rapidly, and it works equally well with current or voltage inputs.

## LOW-NOISE 5-V SUPPLY



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\*\*Glows in current limit. Do not omit.

ELECTRONIC DESIGN

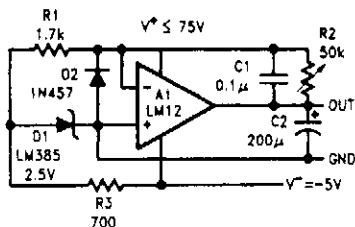
Fig. 68-21

Standard three-terminal regulator ICs can be noisy. The key is the noise over the 10-Hz to 10-kHz band; measurements revealed a 40-dB improvement over standard three-terminal regulators.

The regulator is built around a 5-V buried-Zener reference. It's the buried Zener's inherently low noise that makes the finished supply so quiet. Measured over a 10-Hz to 10-kHz band, the 5-V output contains just 7  $\mu\text{V}$  rms of noise at full load. The 10-Hz to 10-kHz noise can be further reduced to 2.5  $\mu\text{V}$  rms by adding a 100- $\mu\text{H}$ , 1000- $\mu\text{F}$  output filter. The noise characteristics of the reference are tested and guaranteed to a maximum of 11  $\mu\text{V}$  over the band of interest.

An external boost transistor, the ZBD949, provides gain to meet a 200-mA output current requirement. Current limiting is achieved by ballasting the pass transistor and clamping the base drive. Although the oscillator only requires 200 mA, it's possible to extend the output current to at least 1 A.

## POSITIVE REGULATOR WITH 0- TO 70-V OUTPUT



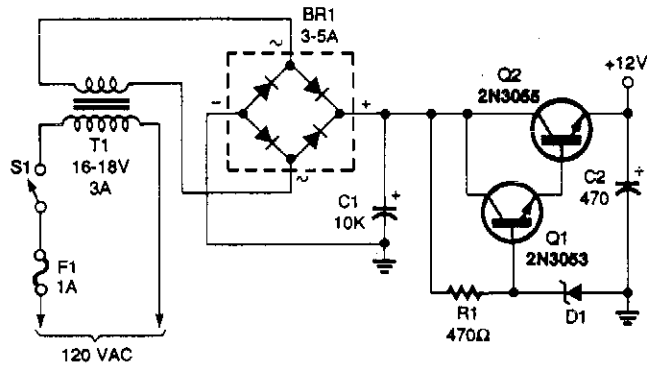
The op amp has one input at ground and a reference current drawn from its summing junction. With this arrangement, the output voltage is proportional to setting resistor R2. A negative supply is used to operate the op amp within its common-mode range, providing zero output with sink current and power a low-voltage bandgap reference, D1. The current drawn from this supply is under 150 mA, except when sinking a load current. The output load capacitor, C2, is part of the op-amp frequency compensation.

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Fig. 68-22



## SIMPLE 12-V POWER SUPPLY

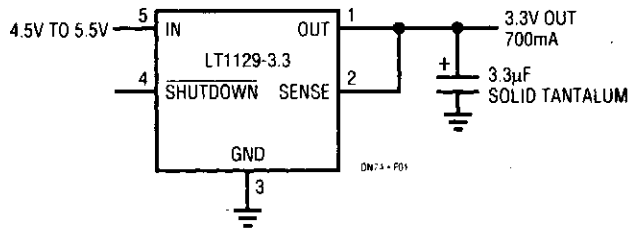


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-23

This 12-V power supply is easy-to-build, and it produces a smooth output. D1 is a 14-V,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -W Zener diode. The voltage can be varied by a few volts up or down to change the output voltage.

## 3.3 V FROM 5-V LOGIC SUPPLIES

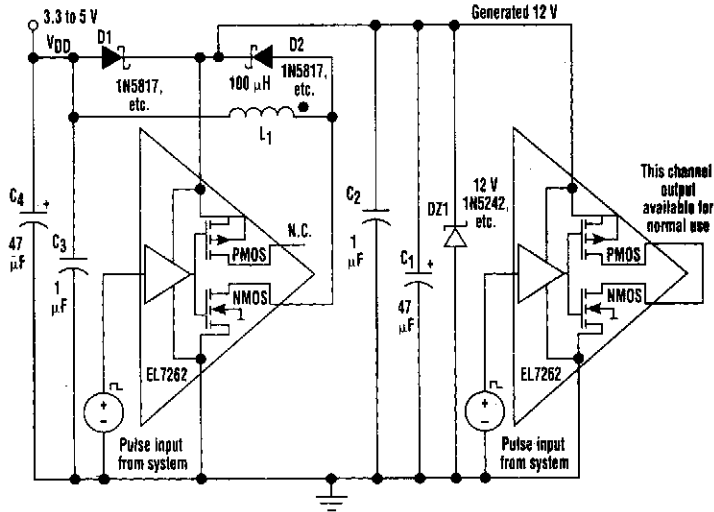


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 68-24

Microprocessor chip sets and logic families that operate from 3.3-V supplies are gaining acceptance in both desktop and portable computers. Computing rates, and in most cases, the energy consumed by these circuits, show a strong improvement over 5-V technology. The main power supply in most systems is still 5 V, necessitating a local 5-V to 3.3-V regulator. Linear regulators are viable solutions at lower ( $I_o \leq 1$  A) currents, but they must have a low dropout voltage in order to maintain regulation with a worst-case input of only 4.5 V. The figure shows a circuit that converts a 4.5-V minimum input to 3.3 V with an output tolerance of only 3% (100 mV). The LT1129-3.3 can handle up to 700 mA in surface-mount configurations, including both 16- $\mu$ A shutdown and 50- $\mu$ A standby currents for system sleep modes. Unlike other linear regulators, the LT1129-3.3 combines both low-dropout and low-voltage operation. Small input and output capacitors facilitate compact, surface-mount designs.

## 12-V SUPPLY



*Fig. 68-25*

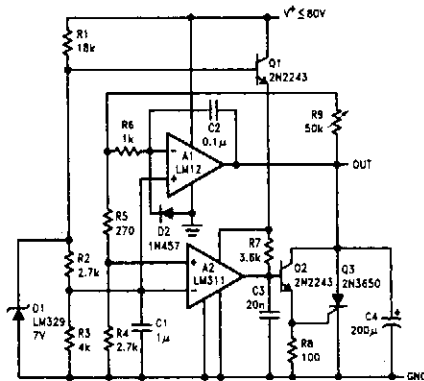
### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

When driving a power MOSFET from a 5-V or 3.3-V system, a significant number of components usually are needed to generate an extra +12 V.

It's possible, however, to apply the second channel in a typical dual MOSFET driver to derive a +12-V power supply. By using a driver with the drains brought to separated pins, you can connect an inductor between the n-channel drain and the logic supply without connecting the p-channel device.

The driver operates as a standard flyback-style switched-mode circuit (see the figure). When the output n-channel device is on, current starts flowing in the inductor, which stores energy. When the n-channel device is turned off, current must continue flowing. Therefore, it flows through diode D2 to charge up C1 and C2. As the cycle repeats, the C1 and C2 voltage rises until the Zener diode prevents further voltage rise. This is needed to prevent the driver's derived supply from exceeding the part's maximum voltage rating.

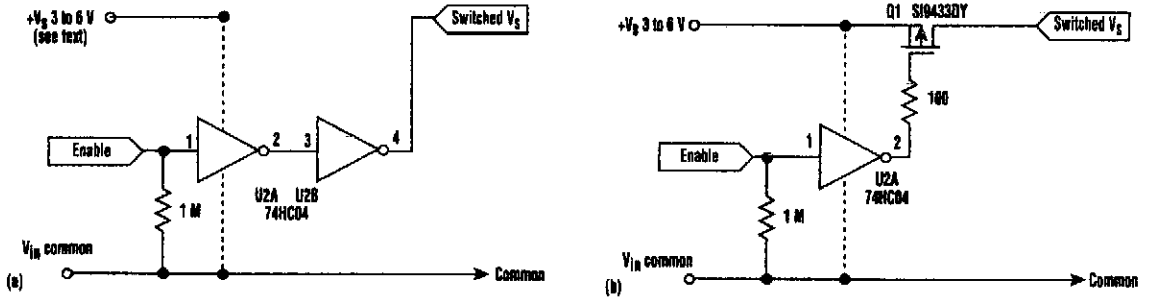
## 4- TO 70-V REGULATOR



This regulator operates from a single supply. If the op amp is not able to control an overvoltage condition, the SCR will crowbar the output.

*Fig. 68-26*

## SWITCHED POWER-CONTROL CIRCUITS

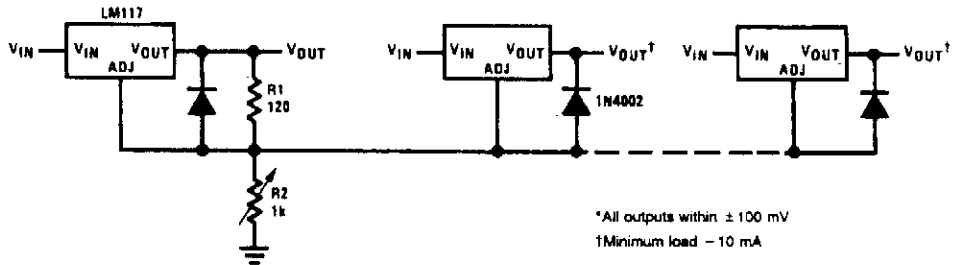


ELECTRONICS DESIGN

Fig. 68-27

Load currents of a few milliamperes to amperes can be turned on and off by these switched power-control circuits. The U2 CMOS inverter stage works as a simple power switch for load currents less than 5 mA (Fig. 68-27A), allowing easy reference shutdown. If appreciably higher switched output currents are called upon, an alternate CMOS inverter driving a low-threshold PMOS device can be used to switch currents of up to 1 A or more (Fig. 68-27B).

## MULTIPLE ON-CARD REGULATOR ADJUSTER

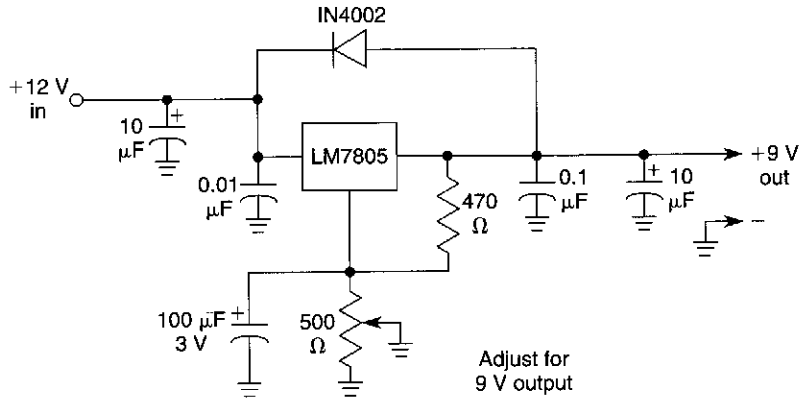


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Fig. 68-28

This circuit allows one pot to control several on-card regulators for adjustment within  $\pm 100$  mV of each other.

## SIMPLE 9-V POWER SUPPLY

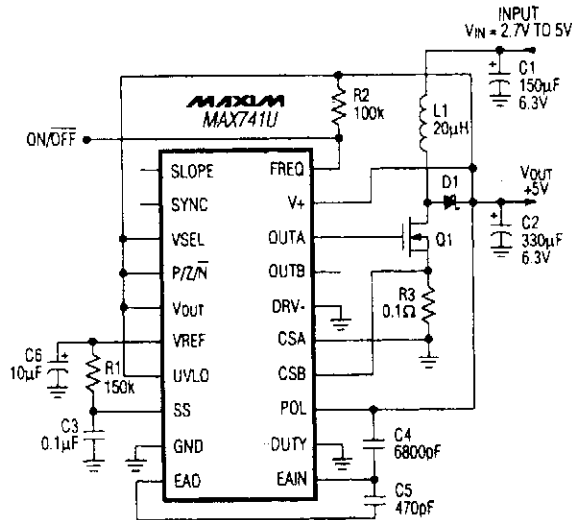


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 68-29

This supply will provide 9-V transistor radios or cassettes from a 12-V auto electrical system.

## +5-V AT 1-A SUPPLY WITH +3- TO +5-V INPUT

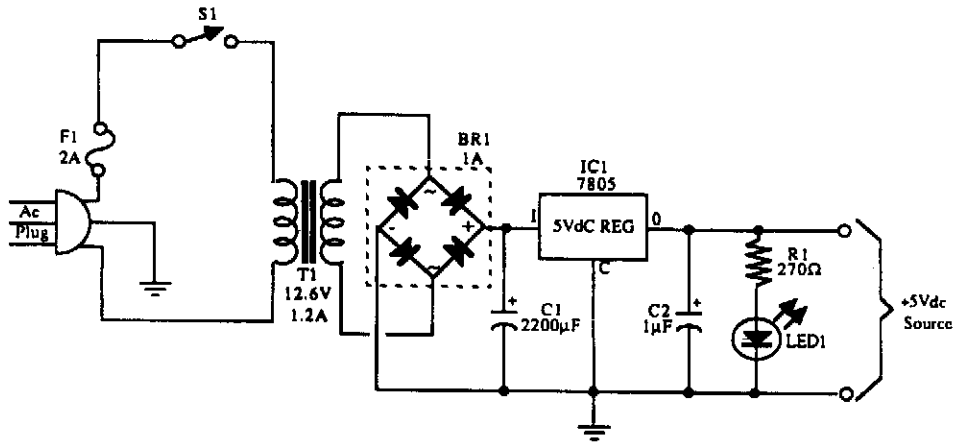


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Fig. 68-30

A MAX741U switching-mode power-supply controller and a switching FET Q1 are used to provide +5 V at 1 A.

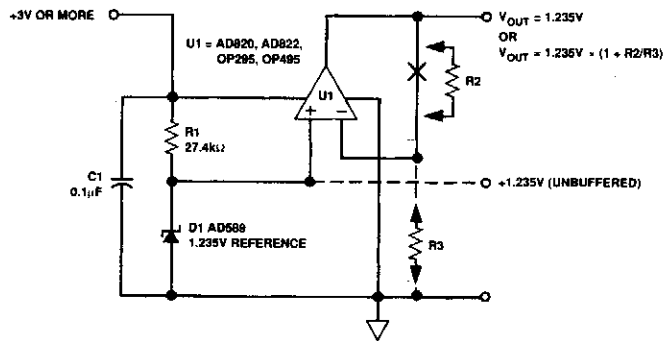
## 5-Vdc REGULATED SUPPLY



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Fig. 68-31

## BUFFERED REFERENCE SUPPLY

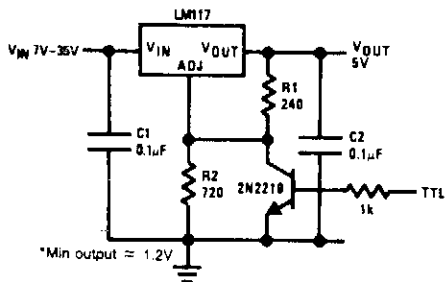


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 68-32

This buffered reference (for 1.23 V or more) uses a supply voltage of greater than 3 V.

## 5-V LOGIC REGULATOR WITH ELECTRONIC SHUTDOWN

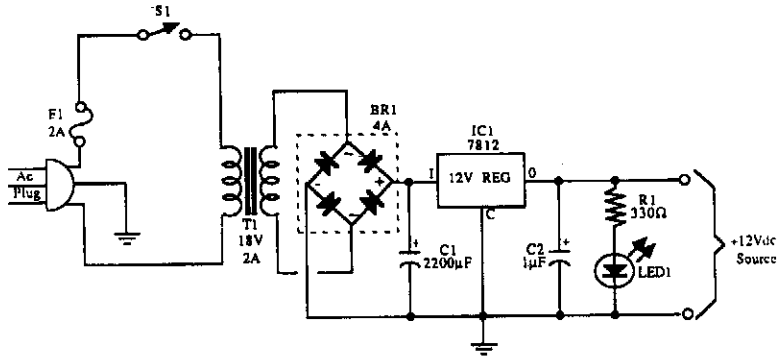


The circuit will shut down to 1.2 V under fault conditions.

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Fig. 68-33

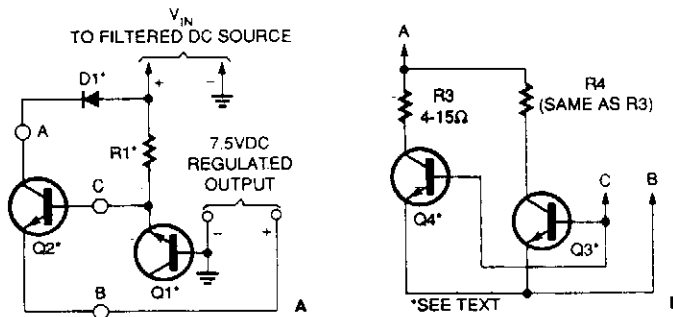
## 12-Vdc REGULATED SUPPLY



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Fig. 68-34

## JUNKED TRANSISTOR REGULATORS

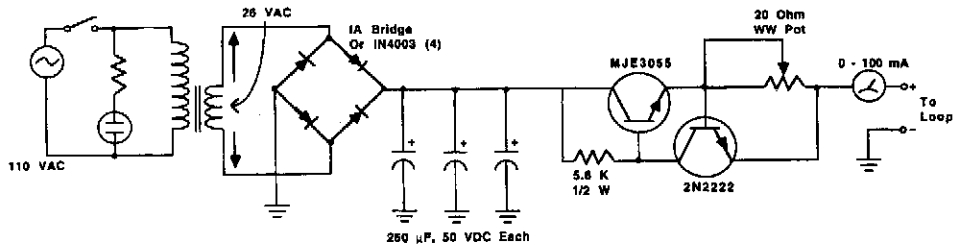


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 68-35

Old transistors can make excellent regulators. Simply use one as a Zener to control the base current to another transistor (Fig. 68-35A). If the pass transistor cannot supply enough current, you can use two pass transistors in its place (Fig. 68-35B).

## TELEPRINTER LOOP SUPPLY

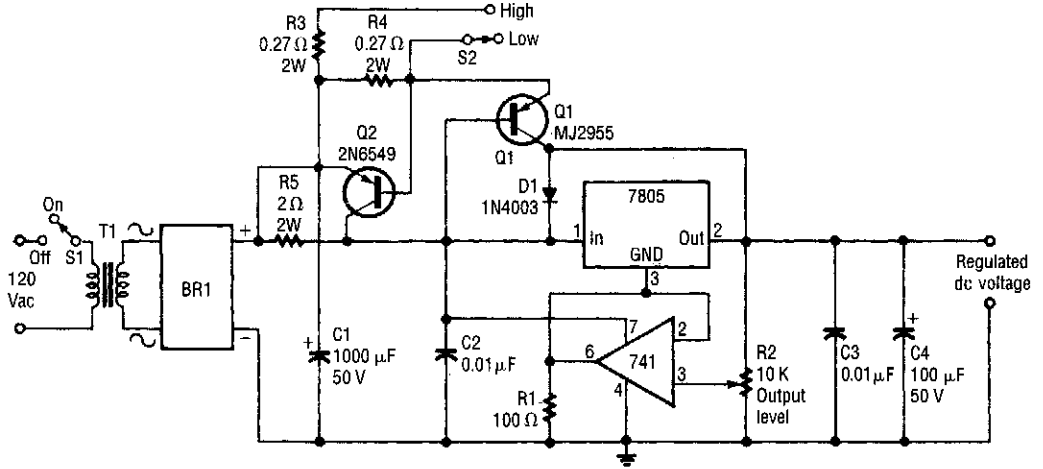


73 AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

Fig. 68-36

A circuit to power a teleprinter, using transistors as current-controlling devices. The power supply used provides a constant current in a loop, normally 60 mA or 20 mA, depending on the machine.

### 5-A CONSTANT-VOLTAGE SUPPLY



ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 68-37

This constant-voltage supply has a variable output. It can supply more than 5 A, and has two switchable current limits.

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# Power Supply Circuits (High Voltage)

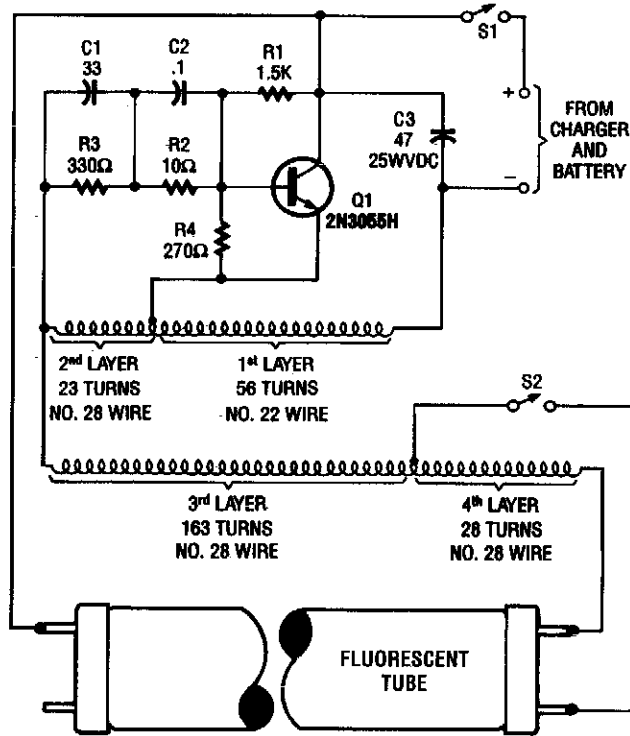
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Fluorescent Lamp 12-V Supply  
High-Voltage Regulator  
Night-Vision Scope Power Supply  
High-Voltage Power-Supply Control Circuit  
-100-Vdc Supply  
ac-Operated He-Ne Power Supply  
HV Regulator with Foldback Current Limit  
Kirlian Device Supply  
High-Voltage Tripler  
200-V Regulator  
Pulse-Width Modulated Laser Supply



## FLUORESCENT LAMP 12-V SUPPLY

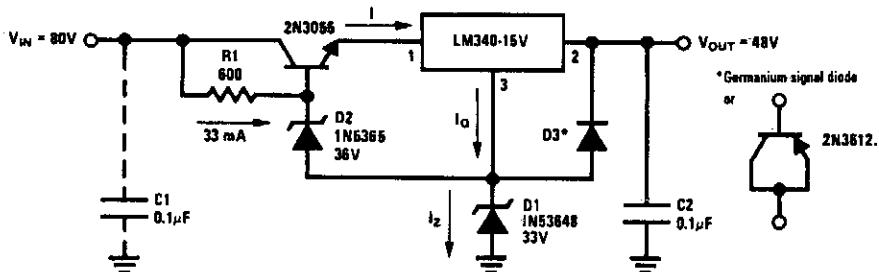


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 69-1

This high-voltage power supply can operate fluorescent tubes from a 12-V source, even if the tube has a defective filament. It essentially is an oscillator that excites a home-made autotransformer. T1 is wound on a ferrite rod  $\frac{3}{8}$ " diameter by  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " long, in layers. S2 is an optional lamp filament switch.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE REGULATOR



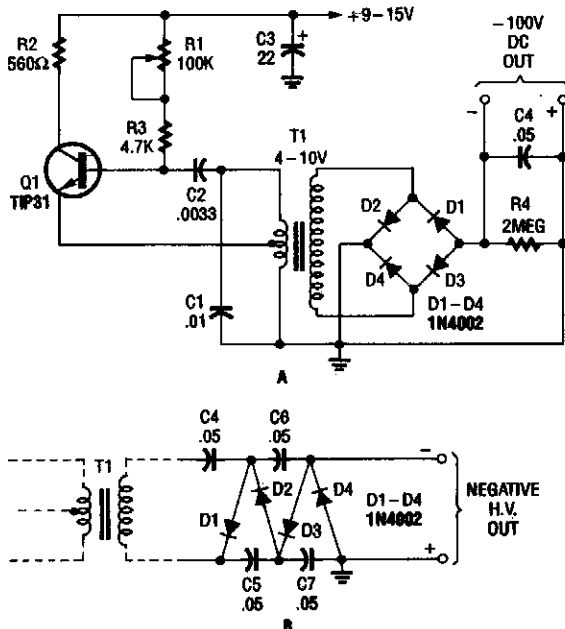
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 69-2

This circuit produces 48 V from an 80-V input.



### -100-Vdc SUPPLY

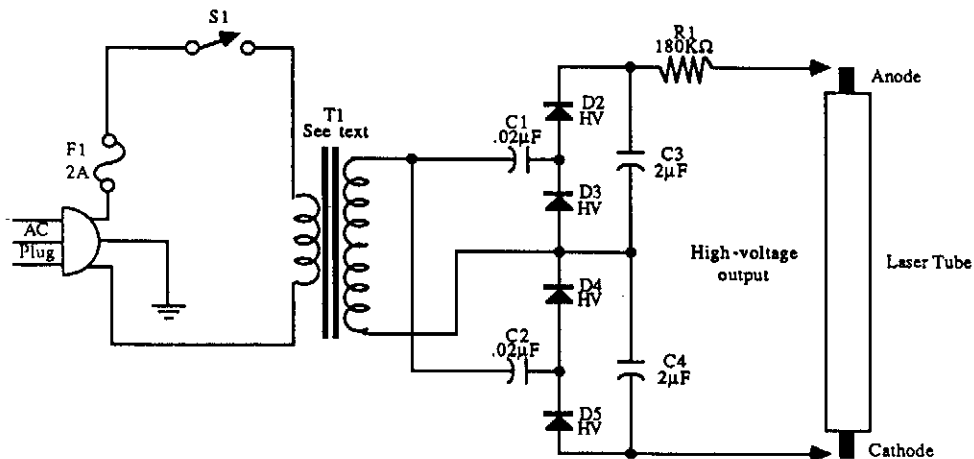


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 69-5

The combination Hartley oscillator/step-up transformer shown in A can generate significant negative high-voltage—especially if the voltage output of the transformer is multiplied by the circuit in Fig. 69-5B. T1 is a small low-voltage filament transformer of around 4- to 10-Vac output, 120-V primary.

### ac-OPERATED HE-NE POWER SUPPLY



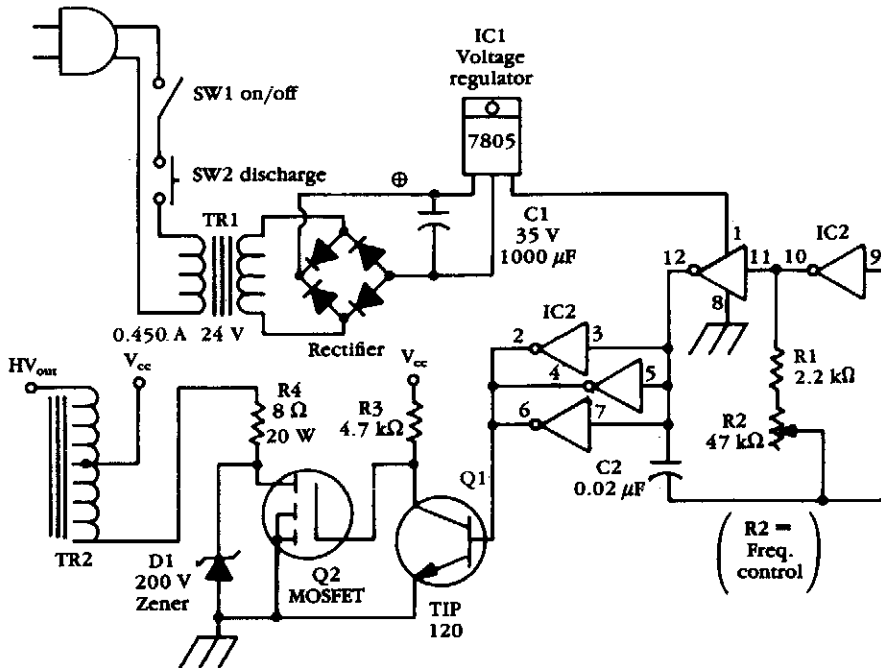
McGRAW-HILL

Fig. 69-6

T1 is a 120-V to 1000-V step-up 60-Hz transformer. C1, C2, C3, C4 and D2 through D5 form a voltage quadrupler. The initial voltage is 4 to 5 kV, which drops when the laser tube fires.



## KIRLIAN DEVICE SUPPLY

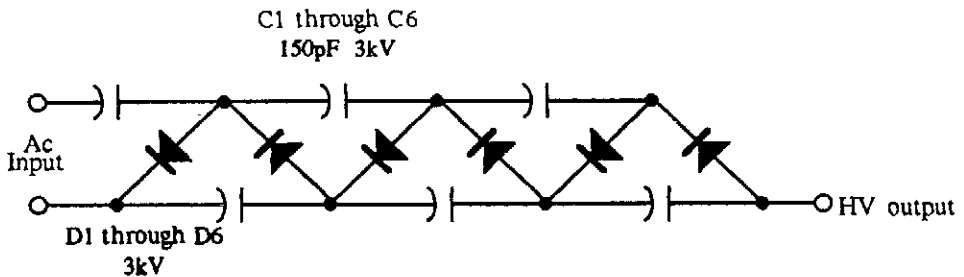


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Fig. 69-8

This device is essentially a high-voltage variable-frequency ac supply. A CD4049 IC multivibrator circuit drives a Darlington connected transistor pair, which drives TR2, an HV transformer.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE TRIPLER

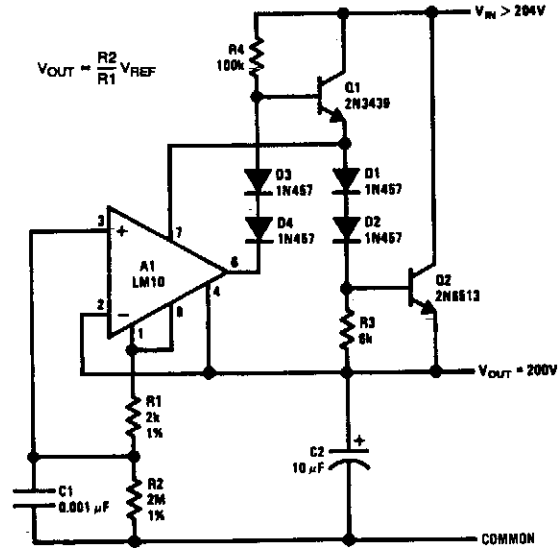


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Fig. 69-9

This tripler is useful for low-current and high-voltage applications. The capacitors can be 0.001- $\mu$ F, 3- to 6-kV discs, and the diode's 3-kV units, or three each IN4007 in series.

## 200-V REGULATOR



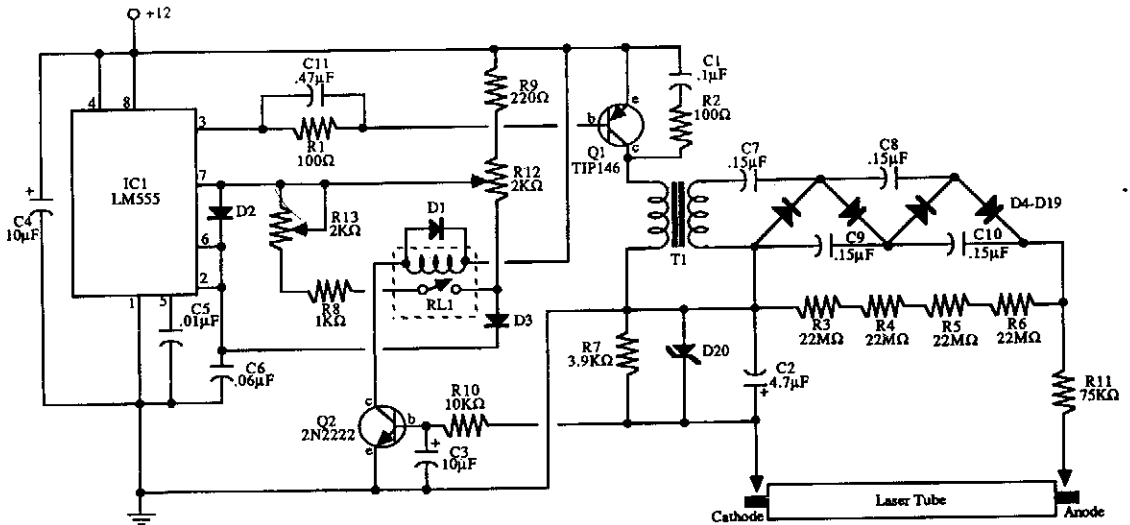
NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 69-10

With high-voltage regulators, powering on the IC through the drive resistor for the pass transistors can become quite inefficient. This is avoided with the circuit shown. The supply current for the IC is derived from Q1. This allows R4 to be increased by an order of magnitude without affecting the dropout voltage.

Selection of the output transistors will depend on voltage requirements. For output voltages above 200 V, it might be more economical to cascade lower-voltage transistors.

## PULSE-WIDTH MODULATED LASER SUPPLY



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Fig. 69-11

IC1 initially provides drive for Q1 and HV transformer T1, and it rectifies D4 through D19. When the laser tube ignites, Q2 is triggered; this activates relay RL1, reducing the duty cycle. R13 controls the duty cycle of the pulses through the laser tube.

# 70

## Power Supply Circuits (Multiple Output)

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 706. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Experimenter's Power Supply

Quad Power Supply

Activate Back-Up Power Supply

CCFL Supply with Variable Contrast

dc Power Source for Experiments

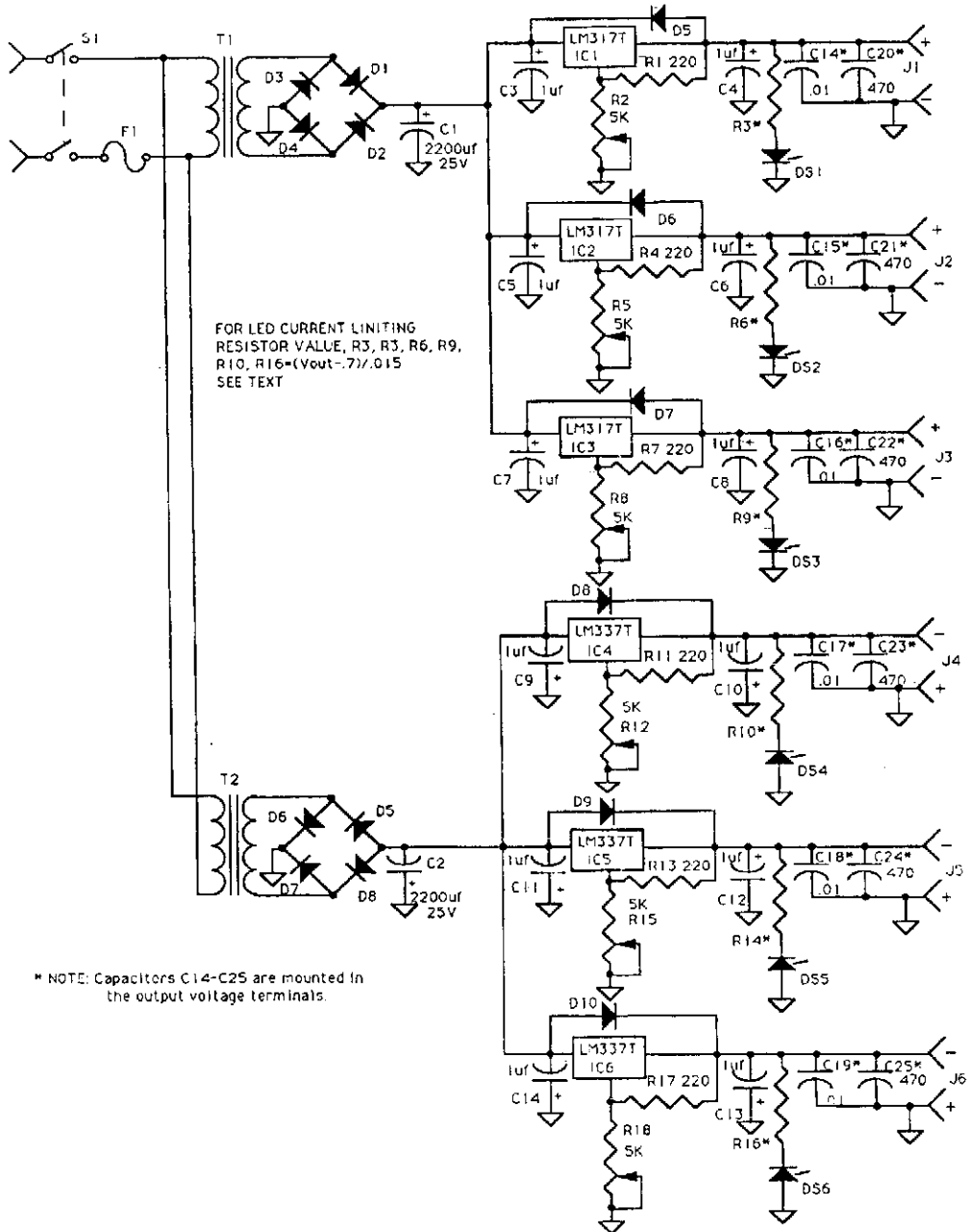
Stable VFO Power Supply

High-Efficiency Triple-Output Supply for Notebook Computers

General-Purpose Power Supply for Automotive Projects

$\pm 15$ -V Power Supply

## EXPERIMENTER'S POWER SUPPLY



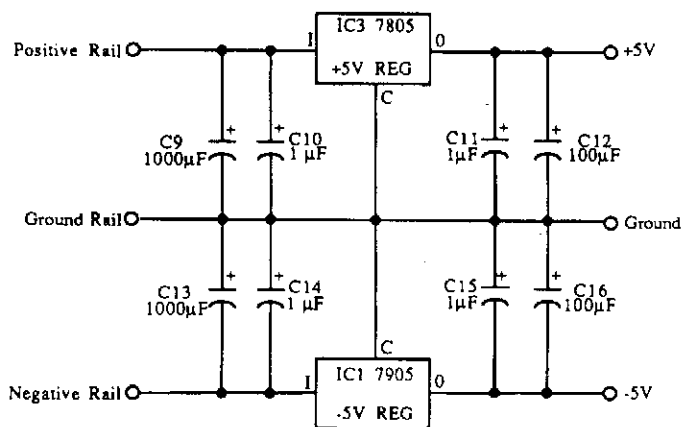
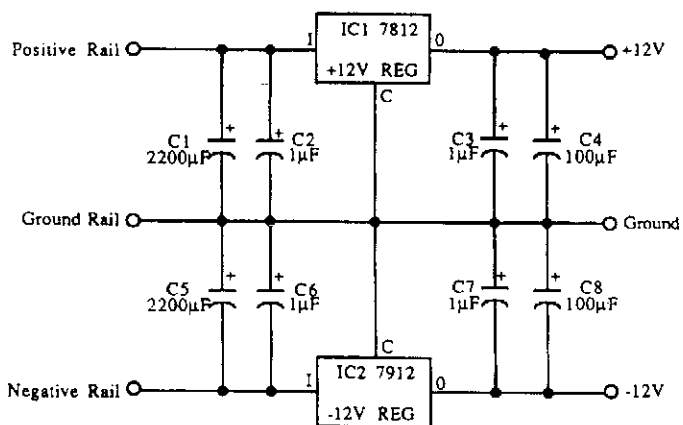
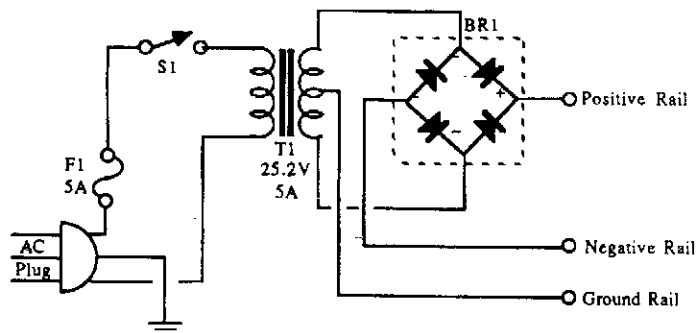
73 AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

Fig. 70-1

Passive linear IC regulators are used to make up a supply delivering +12, +9, +5, -5, -9, and -12 Vdc. T1 and T2 are 12-V, 3-A transformers.



## QUAD POWER SUPPLY



## ACTIVATE BACK-UP POWER SUPPLY

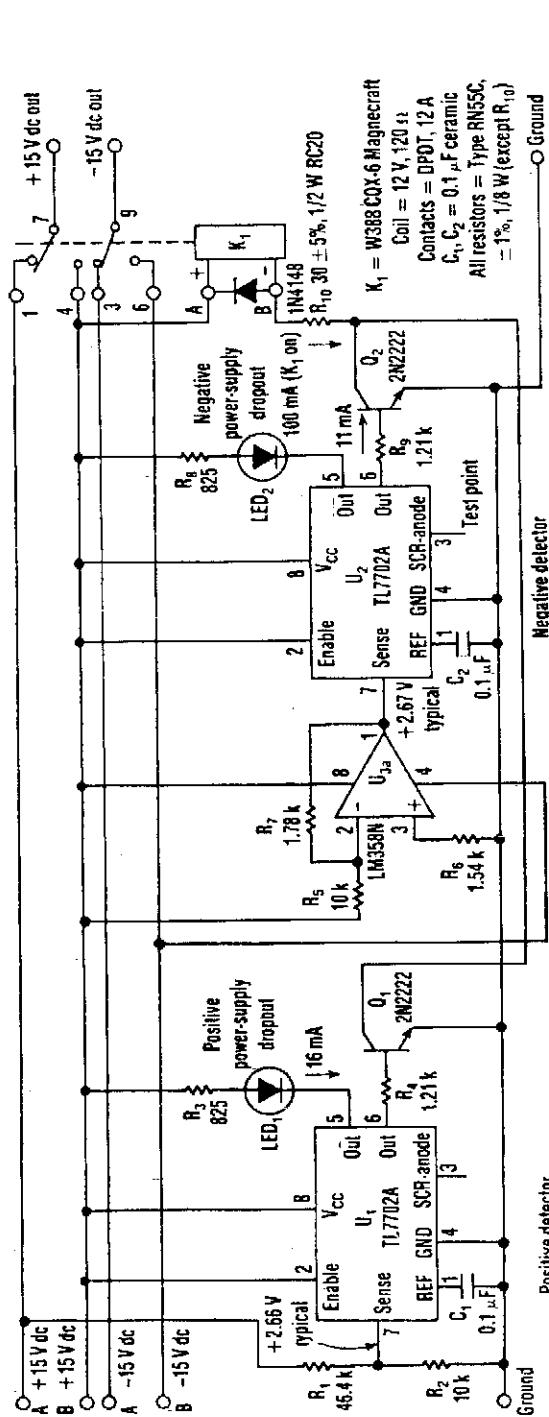


Fig. 70-3

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

A circuit, which can be built around two TI TL7702 chips, monitors a 15-V power supply and activates a relay to turn on a back-up supply if the voltage drops below  $\pm 14.1$  V. With the back-up in place, the malfunctioning supply can be replaced without any down time. The TL7702 power-supply voltage supervisor chips are intended for use as reset controllers in microprocessor systems, but they work well in their modified form for this application.

One chip detects the positive supply (U1), and the other is used for the negative (U2). A pair of output-relay drive transistors, Q1 and Q2, form a wired OR circuit so that relay K1 is activated by the positive or negative voltage detector that switches U1 or U2 on. The supervisor chips have a direct connection to the input comparator so that the trigger level is set by a resistor-divider network (R1 and R2) at the sense-input pin. These chips also have an internal, stable, reference-voltage source set at +2.53 V, typical. The positive-sensed voltage drops enough to activate the comparator, its output goes low, switches the internal gate, and triggers the silicon-controlled rectifier (SCR). The output comparator then forces the two output transistors to switch, one high and one low. The output transistor (pin 5) turns on the light-emitting diode (LED), and the output transistor (pin 6) turns on the relay driver, Q1.

The negative detector is preceded by half of the dual op amp LM358N (U3a)—an inverting amplifier with a gain of -0.178. R5 connects to the -15 Vdc being sensed. The output of U3a is usually set at 2.67 V, higher than the +2.53-V reference voltage. Therefore, no switching occurs. If the -15-Vdc voltage decreases, U2 switches Q2 and activates K1 in the same manner as described for the U1-Q1 positive detector. R3, R4, and R8 through R10 serve as current-limiting resistors.

## CCFL SUPPLY WITH VARIABLE CONTRAST

ALUMINUM ELECTROLYTIC IS RECOMMENDED FOR C3B WITH AN ESR  $\geq 0.5\Omega$  TO PREVENT DAMAGE TO THE LT1182 HIGH-SIDE SENSE RESISTOR DUE TO SURGE CURRENTS AT TURN-ON.

C1 MUST BE A LOW LOSS CAPACITOR, C1 - WIMA MKP-20

Q1, Q2 = ZETEX ZTX849 OR ROHM 2SC5001

L1 = COILTRONICS CTX210605

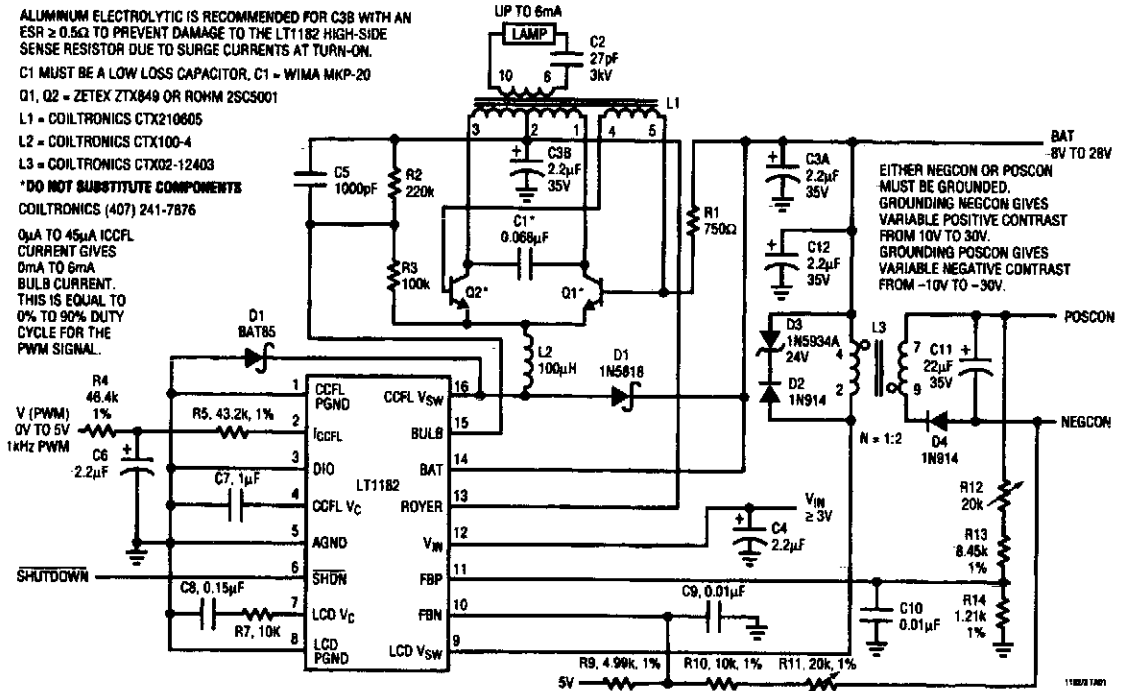
L2 = COILTRONICS CTX100-4

L3 = COILTRONICS CTX02-12403

**\*DO NOT SUBSTITUTE COMPONENTS**

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0µA TO 45µA ICCFL CURRENT GIVES  
0mA TO 6mA BULB CURRENT.  
THIS IS EQUAL TO  
0% TO 90% DUTY  
CYCLE FOR THE  
PWM SIGNAL.

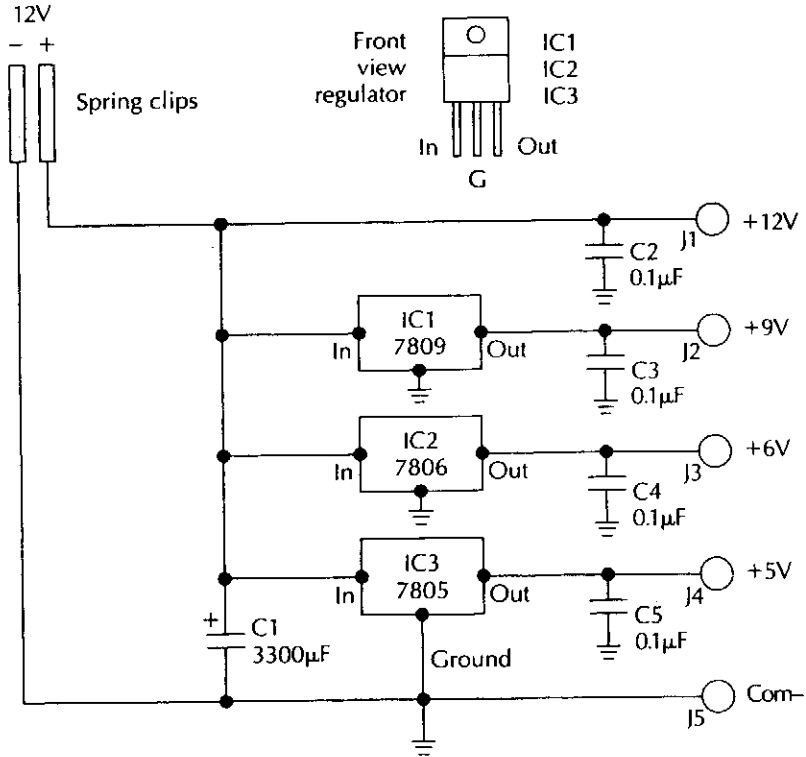


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 70-4**

The figure is a complete floating CCFL circuit with variable negative/variable positive-contrast voltage capability, based on the LT1182. Lamp current is programmable from 0 mA to 6 mA using a 0- to 5-V 1-kHz PWM signal at 0% to 90% duty cycle. LCD contrast output voltage polarity is determined by which side of the transformer secondary (either POSCON or NEGCON) the output connector grounds. In either case, LCD contrast output voltage is variable from an absolute value of 10 V to 30 V. The input supply voltage range is 8 V to 28 V. The CCFL converter is optimized for photometric output per watt of input power. CCFL electrical efficiency up to 90% is possible and requires strict attention to detail. LCD contrast efficiency is 82% at full power.

## dc POWER SOURCE FOR EXPERIMENTS

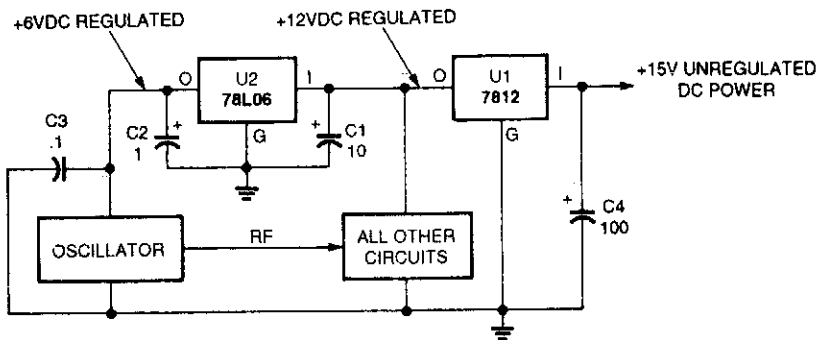


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Fig. 70-5

This supply uses IC regulators to supply +5, +6, +9, and +12 volts regulated from a nominal 12-V supply.

## STABLE VFO POWER SUPPLY

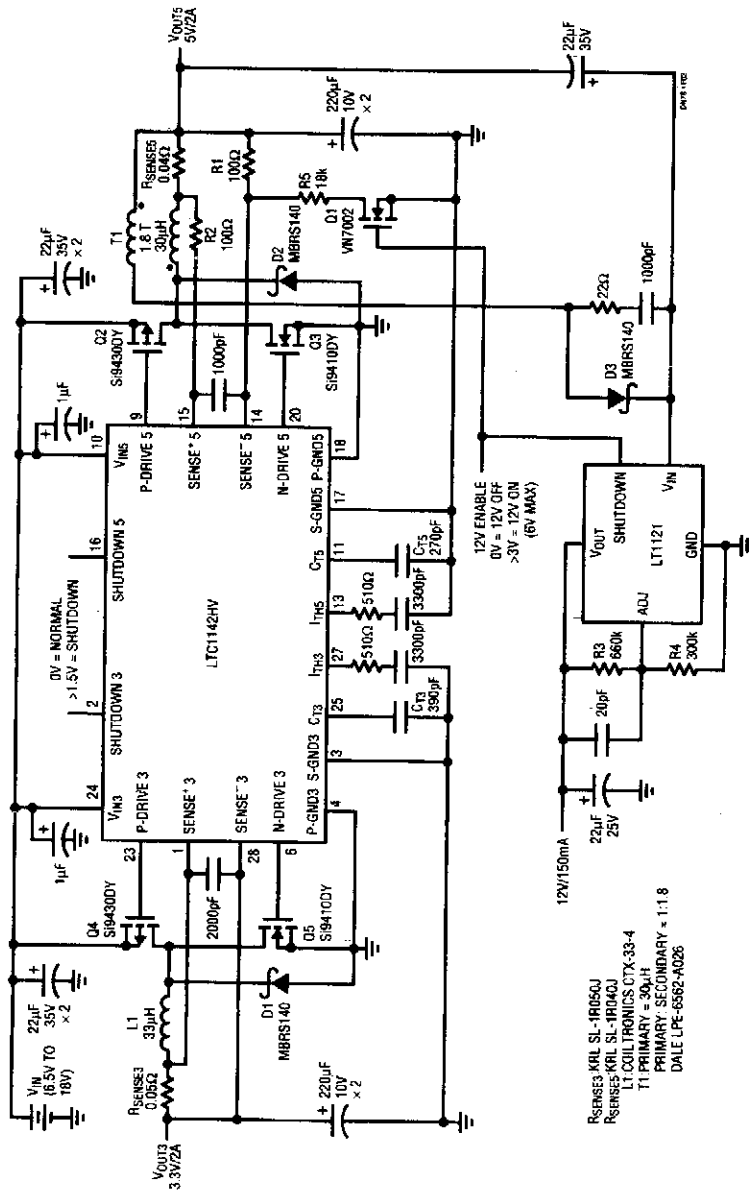


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 70-6

A dc power-distribution system for a stable oscillator should use a separate voltage regulator just for the oscillator circuit.

## HIGH-EFFICIENCY TRIPLE-OUTPUT SUPPLY FOR NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS



### LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 70-7**

The circuit is configured to provide output voltages of 3.3 V, 5 V, and 12 V. The current capability of both the 3.3-V and 5-V outputs is 2 A (2.5 A peak). The logic controlled 12-V output can provide 150 mA (200 mA peak), which is ideal for flash memory applications. The operating efficiency shown in the figure exceeds 90% for both the 3.3-V and 5-V sections.

The 3.3-V section for the circuit in the figure is comprised of the main switch Q4, synchronous switch Q5, inductor L1, and current shunt  $R_{SENSE3}$ . Current-sense resistor  $R_{SENSE5}$  monitors the inductor current and is used to set the output current according to the formula  $OUT = 100 \text{ mV}/R_{SENSE5}$ . Advantages of current control include excellent line and load transient rejection, inherent short-circuit protection, and controlled start-up currents. Peak inductor currents for L1 and T1 for the circuit in the figure are limited to 150 mV/ $R_{SENSE5}$  or 3.0 A and 3.75 A, respectively.

## GENERAL-PURPOSE POWER SUPPLY FOR AUTOMOTIVE PROJECTS

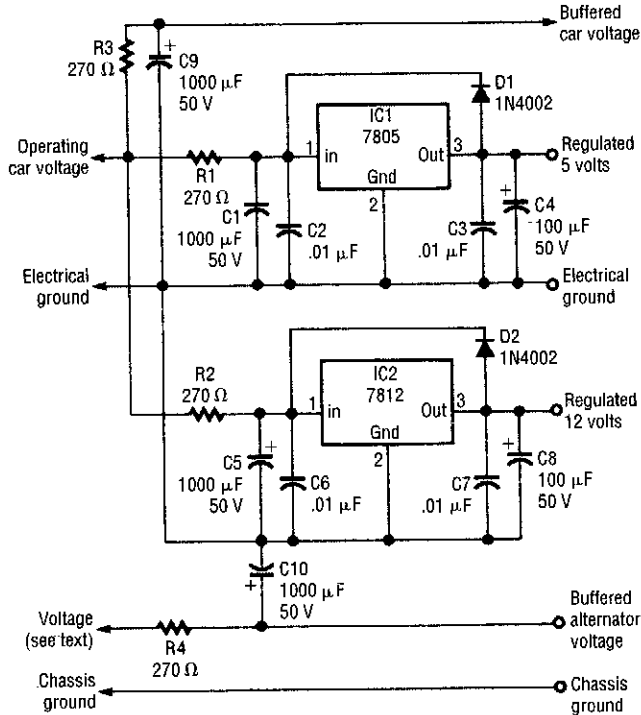


Fig. 70-8

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This supply produces 12 V and 5 V for a variety of automotive projects. F4 is connected directly to the alternator field winding (usable only if your car has a separate regulator).

## ±15-V POWER SUPPLY

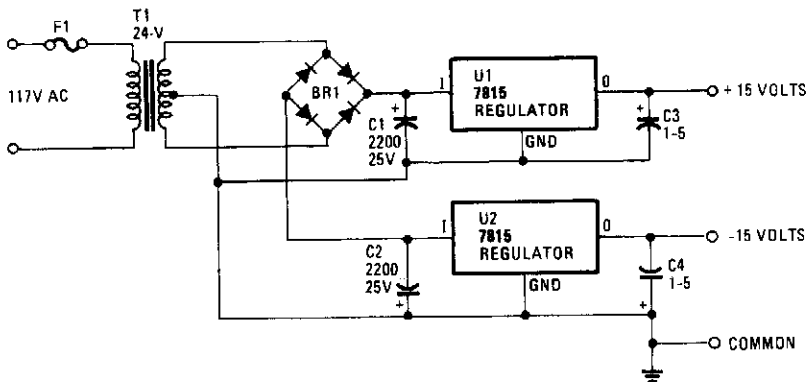


Fig. 70-9

RADIO-ELECTRONICS

A simple bridge rectifier feeds two IC regulators. This circuit should be useful for op-amp circuitry.

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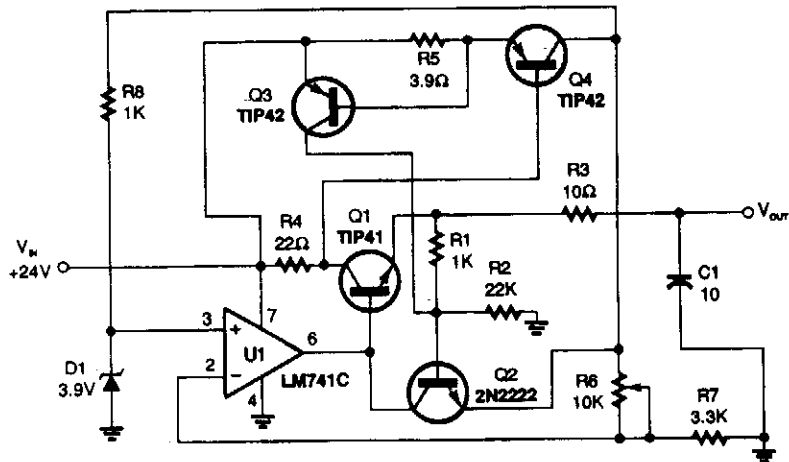
## Power Supply Circuits (Variable Output)

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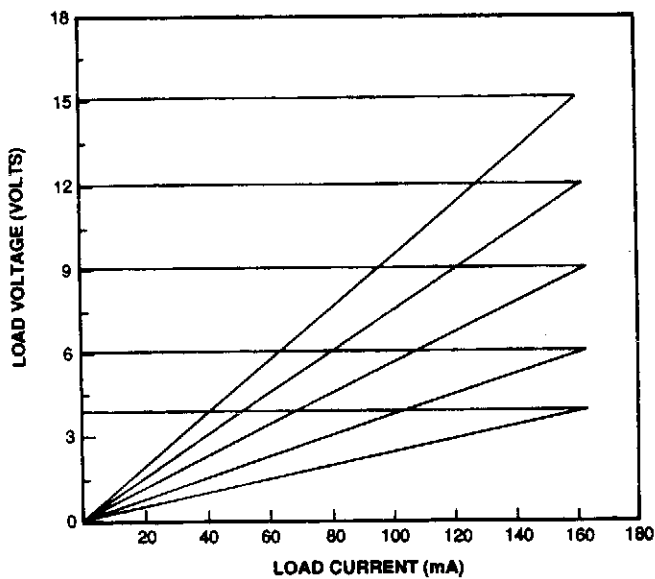
The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Variable Voltage Regulator with Current Crowbar Limiting  
Adjustable 0- to 5-V Supply  
Transceiver Power Supply for Variable Lab Source  
Adjustable Power Supply  
Variable-Voltage Regulator with Wide-Range Current Limiting  
General-Purpose 0- to 30-V Power Supply  
Adjustable Positive Regulator  
Adjustable Bias Regulator

## VARIABLE VOLTAGE REGULATOR WITH CURRENT CROWBAR LIMITING



A



B

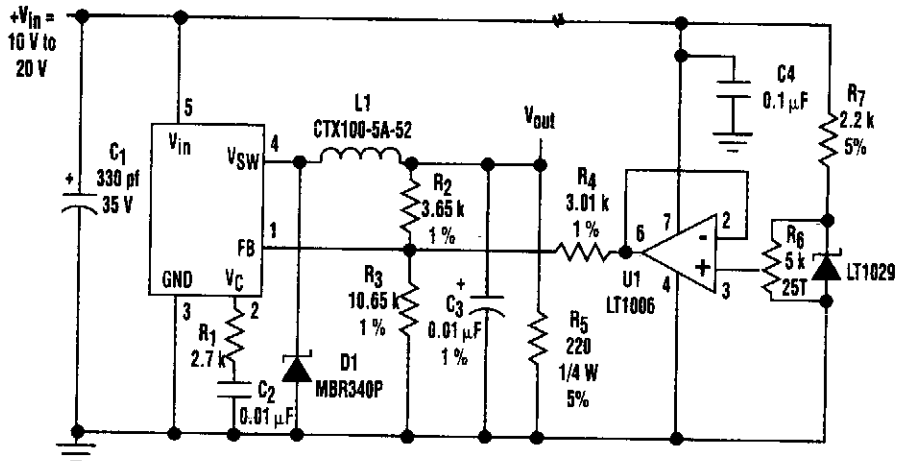
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 71-1

The variable voltage regulator with current-crowbar limiting, shown in Fig. 71-1A, overcomes the disadvantages of constant and foldback limiting. As you can see in the graph (Fig. 71-1B), the current crowbar quickly shuts down the supplied power when a preset current is exceeded. It also has excellent load regulation over its operating range.



## ADJUSTABLE 0- TO 5-V SUPPLY



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 71-2

Although linear-regulator ICs are frequently used in variable power-supply applications, they might not always be the best choice. At low output voltages, power losses in these regulators can cause headaches for designers. For example, if an output current of 1.25 A is required at 1.25 V from an input of 8 V, a regulator (such as the LT317) dissipates more than 10 W.

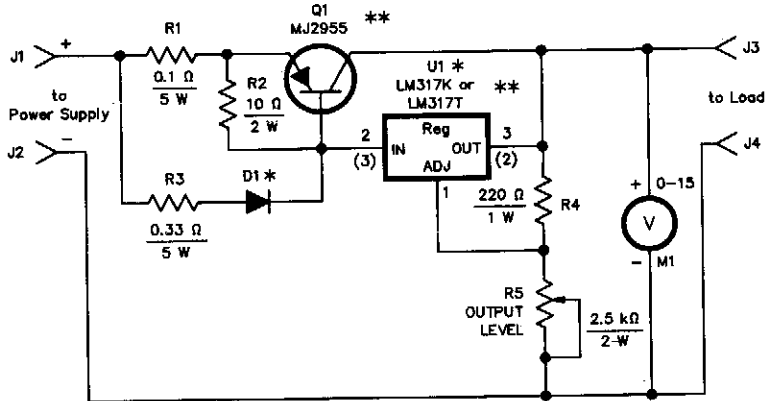
The figure depicts a dc-dc converter that functionally replaces a linear regulator in the just described application. The converter not only eliminates the problem of power loss, but it can be adjusted for output voltages (as low as 25 mV) while delivering an output current of 1.5 A.

The circuit uses a basic positive-buck topology with one exception. A control voltage is applied through R4 to the feedback summing node at pin 1 of the LT1076 regulator IC, making it possible to adjust the output from 0 V to approximately 6 V. This range encompasses the 3.3-V and 5-V logic supply voltages for portable and desktop equipment, as well as battery-pack combinations of one to four cells.

As R4 is driven from 0 to 5 V by the buffer (U1), more or less current is required from R2 to satisfy the loop's desire to hold the feedback summing point at 2.37 V. This forces the converter's output to swing over the range of 0 to 6 V.

The LT1076 is capable of 1.75-A guaranteed output current in this application, and 2 A is typical. If more current is required, the LT1074 can be substituted for the LT1076.

## TRANSCEIVER POWER SUPPLY FOR VARIABLE LAB SOURCE



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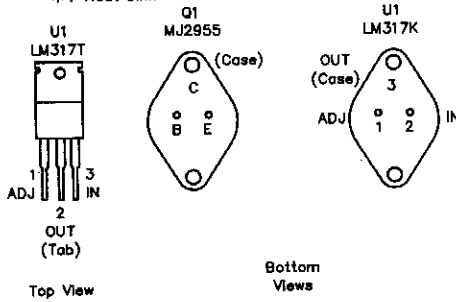


Fig. 71-3

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A variable voltage regulator provides 1 to 11 Vdc for lab bench work, using an existing 13.8-V transceiver supply.

## ADJUSTABLE POWER SUPPLY

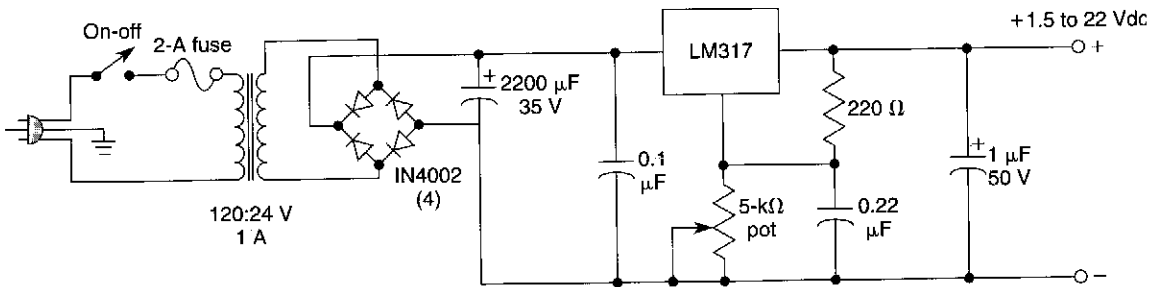
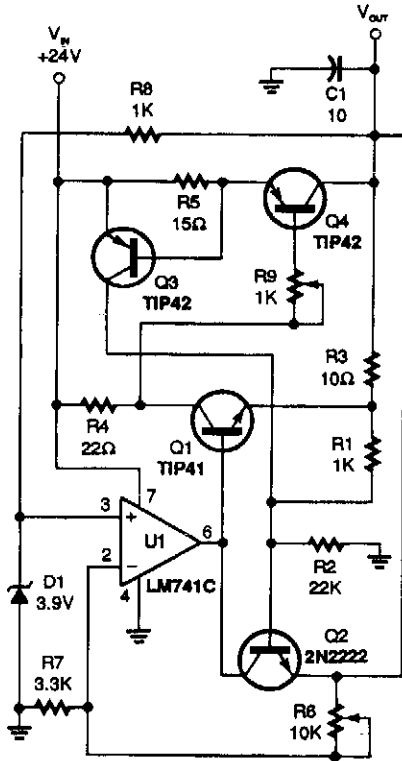


Fig. 71-4

WILLIAM SHEETS

Using an LM317, this supply delivers 1.25 to 22 Vdc for various purposes. The LM317 should be heatsinked. This supply will deliver 600-mA output current.

## VARIABLE-VOLTAGE REGULATOR WITH WIDE-RANGE CURRENT LIMITING



In this circuit, R9 acts as a control to set current limiting. If  $R_9 = 0$ , limiting occurs at 47 mA. Input is 24 V, output is

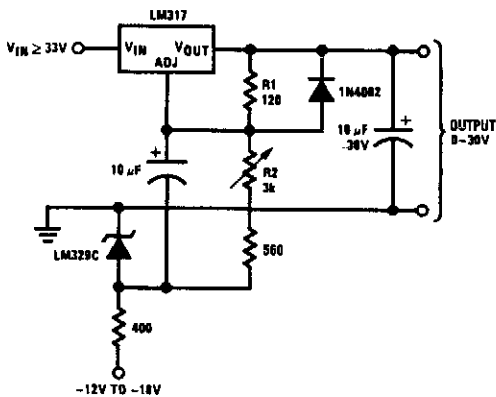
$$\frac{(R_6 + R_7)}{R_7} \times \quad (3.9)$$

depending on the setting of R6.

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Fig. 71-5

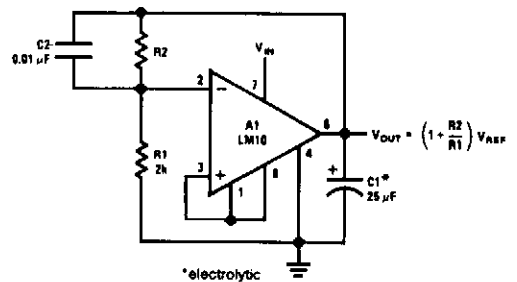
### GENERAL-PURPOSE 0- TO 30-V POWER SUPPLY



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Fig. 71-6

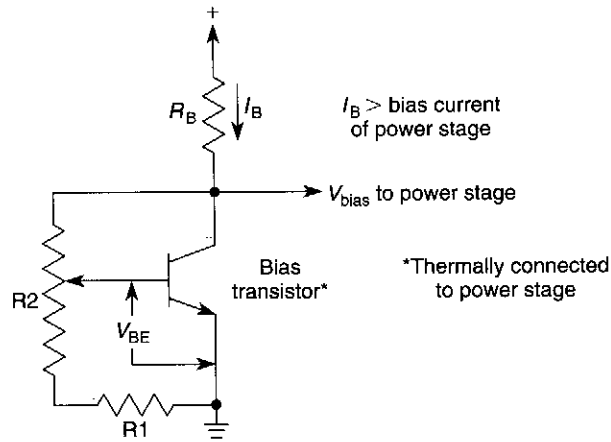
### ADJUSTABLE POSITIVE REGULATOR



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 71-7

## ADJUSTABLE BIAS REGULATOR



WILLIAM SHEETS

**Fig. 71-8**

If the wiper of R<sub>2</sub> is set at *N*% rotation, the bias voltage will be:

$$V_{\text{BIAS}} = V_{\text{BE}} \left( \frac{R_1 + NR_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right)$$

$$V_{\text{BIAS MIN}} = V_{\text{BE}} \quad V_{\text{BIAS MAX}} = \left( \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) V_{\text{BE}}$$

This method derives a bias voltage that tracks  $V_{\text{BE}}$  of this bias transistor. If the bias transistor is thermally linked to the power stage, tracking over a wide temperature range will result.

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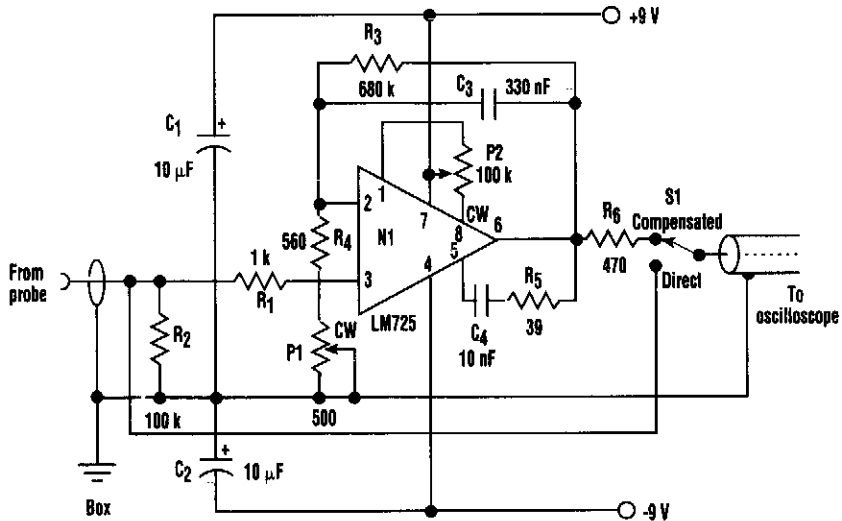
## Probe Circuits

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Current Probe Amplifier  
Simple Logic Probe with Alphanumeric Display  
Simple RF Probe  
125-MHz Logic Probe  
pH Probe Amplifier  
8-Digit 100-MHz Frequency Probe

## CURRENT PROBE AMPLIFIER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 72-1

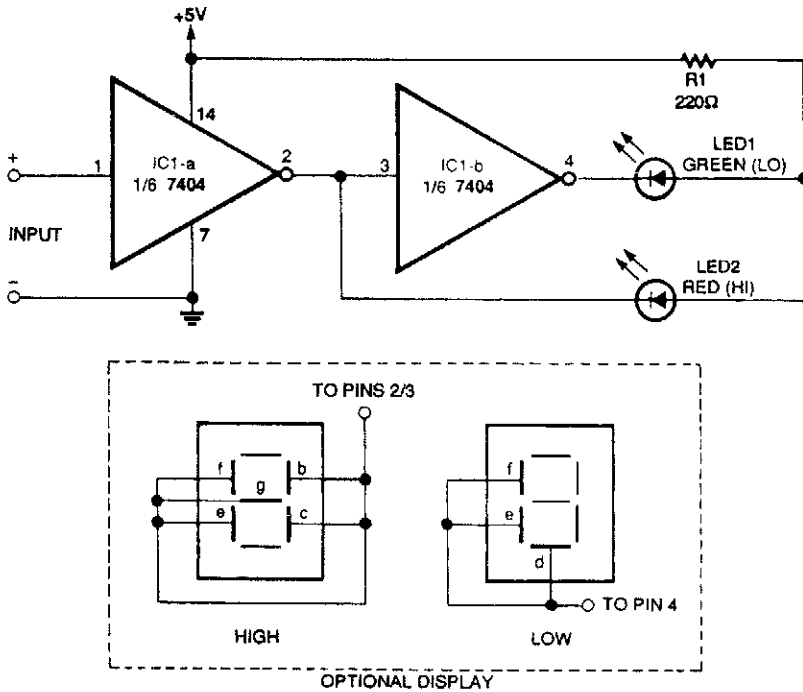
A clamp-on current probe, such as the Tektronix P6021, is a useful means of displaying current waveforms on an oscilloscope. A less-expensive and simple alternative is shown in the figure.

The more sensitive range on the P6021 is 2 mA/mV, but it has a roll-off of 6-dB per octave below 450 Hz. The purpose of the compensator is to counteract the low-frequency attenuation, which is achieved by means of  $C_3$  and  $R_4 + P_1$  in the feedback around op amp N1. It's important that the latter is a low-noise type, such as the LM725 shown in the figure. On top of that, it's necessary at some point to limit the increasing gain with decreasing frequency; otherwise, amplifier noise and drive will overcome the signal. The values shown for  $C_3$  and  $R_3$  give a lower limit of less than 1 Hz.

A test square wave of  $\pm 1$  mA is fed to the current probe so that  $P_1$  can be adjusted for minimum droop or overshoot in the output waveform. It's vital that the sliding core on the probe is fully closed. At high frequencies, the response begins to fall off at 100 kHz. Therefore, for most waveforms, switch S1 is moved to "direct," above a fundamental frequency of, for example, 10 kHz.

This circuit's current consumption is quite low, and it can be battery powered. If a mains power supply is built-in, it must be well screened to prevent hum problems.

## SIMPLE LOGIC PROBE WITH ALPHANUMERIC DISPLAY

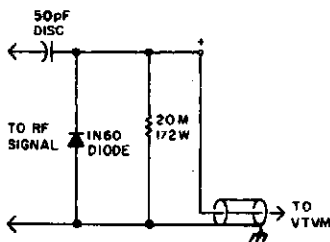


**Fig. 72-2**

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A logic probe also includes BCD decoder module. The red LED lights to indicate a logic high, and the green LED lights to indicate a logic low. This probe circuit will light a green (low) or red (high), and if desired, an alphanumeric display can be obtained with two 7-segment LED displays.

## SIMPLE RF PROBE

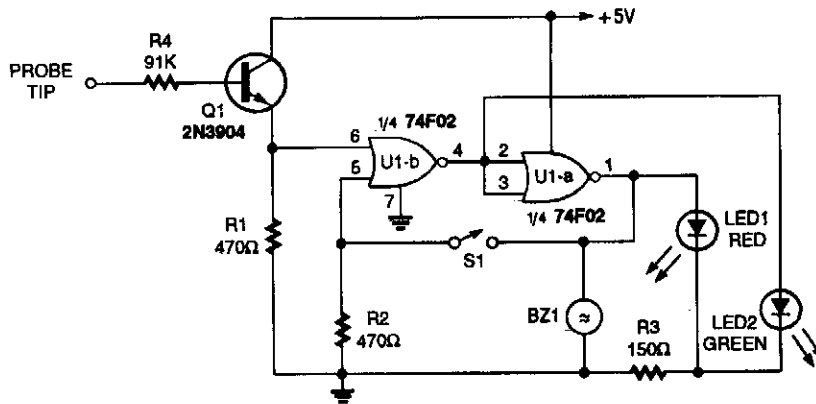


Your VTVM can measure peak voltage up to 200 MHz by using this probe. The maximum RF that can be measured is determined by the diode; with a 1N60, the probe is limited to 30 V. To increase the capacity, substitute a higher-voltage small-signal detector diode. House the circuit in a metal enclosure and use shielded wire.

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**Fig. 72-3**

## 125-MHz LOGIC PROBE

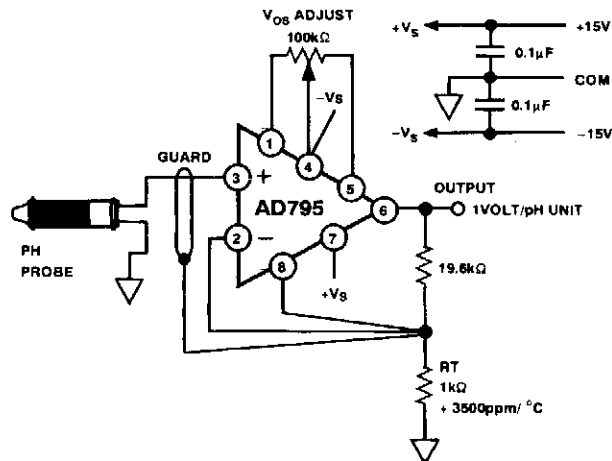


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Fig. 72-4

This logic probe features either high-low (LED) indication or latching operation. When S1 is closed, the indication of a pulse is latched and the red LED1 stays on. Piezoelectric buzzer BZ1 is used as a beeper to sound that a logic high is preset.

## pH PROBE AMPLIFIER



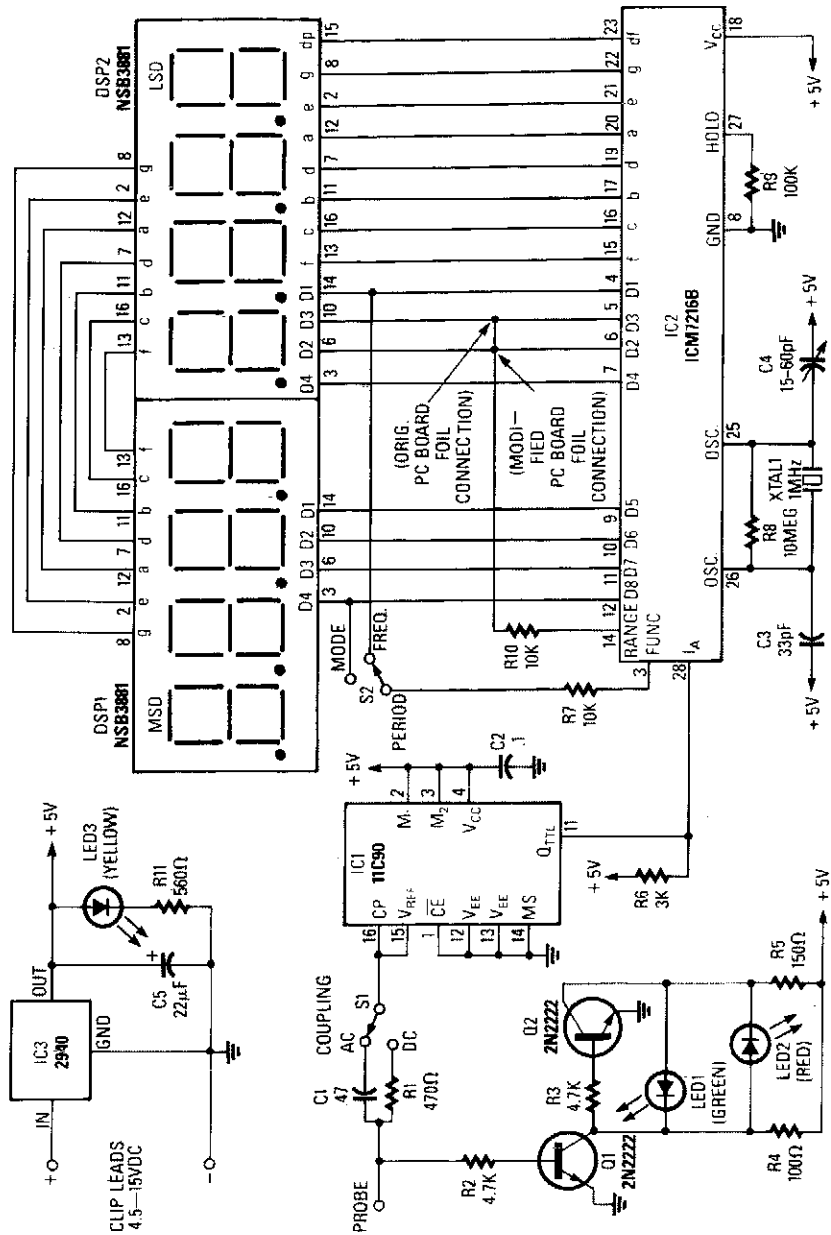
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Fig. 72-5

The low-noise precision FET op-amp AD795 has around 1014-Ω common-mode impedance, low-offset voltage ( $250 \mu\text{V}_{\text{max}}$ ) and  $13 \mu\text{V}_C$  drift make this device ideal for low-voltage measurements from high-impedance sources.



### 8-DIGIT 100-MHz FREQUENCY PROBE



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**Fig. 72-6**

Small enough to mount in a probe, this frequency counter circuit is good to 100 MHz. It operates from +5 to +15 Vdc. An 11C90 prescaler drives a 10-MHz counter chip (ICM7216B). Note the dotted line connecting R10 with pins 5 and 6 of IC2; that variable connection controls the decimal point and total count appearing on DSP1 and DSP2. The relative intensities and durations of ON/OFF time for LED1 (green) and LED2 (red) give a rough indication of logic level and duty cycle.

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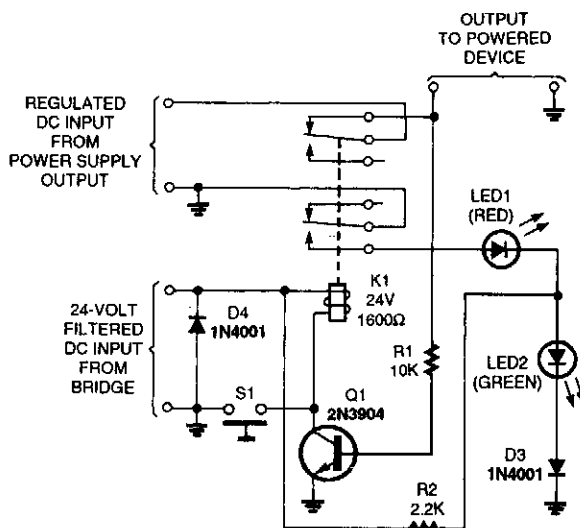
## Protection Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Short-Circuit Protection Circuit  
Polarity Protector

## SHORT-CIRCUIT PROTECTION CIRCUIT



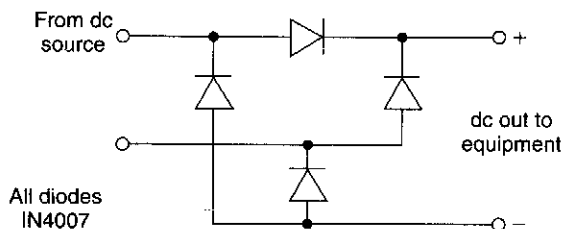
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 73-1

When S1 is pressed, the coil of K1 is energized, closing its normally open contacts. If the regulated dc input is between 1 and 24 V, that voltage feeds the base of Q1 through R1, turning on the transistor, and latching the relay. When that occurs, LED2 glows indicating that all is okay.

If there is a short to ground at the circuit's output (i.e., in the device being powered), the voltage that feeds the base of Q1 goes to zero, turning off the transistor. Then, LED1 glows because K1 is de-energized to indicate the short circuit.

## POLARITY PROTECTOR



The use of a four-diode bridge guarantees correct polarity irrespective of input dc polarity. Remember that two diode drops (about 1.2 to 1.5 V) are lost from the input voltage using this circuit.

WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 73-2

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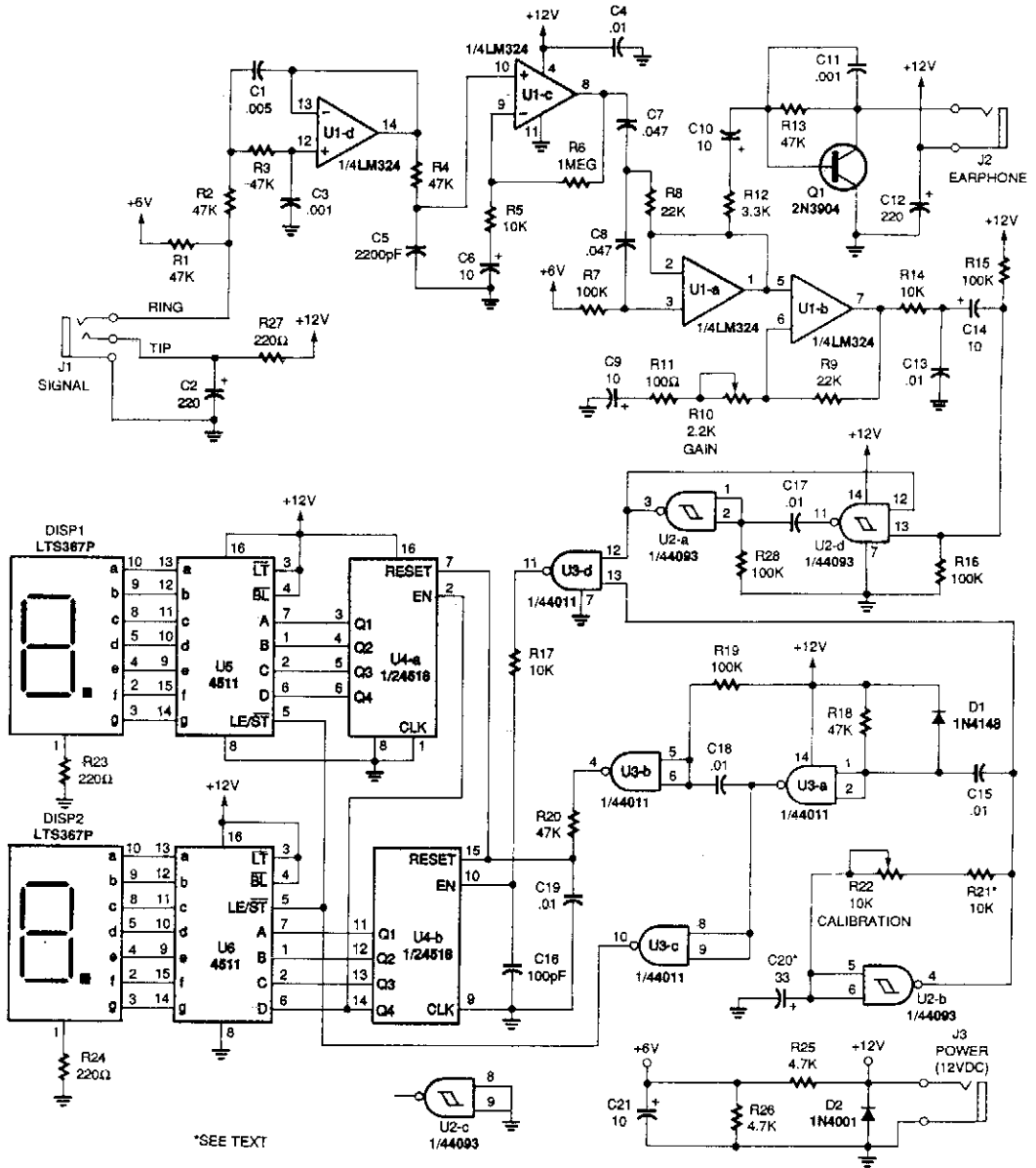
## Radar Detector Circuits

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Display Board for Radar Gun  
2.6-GHz Oscillator for Radar Speed Gun

## DISPLAY BOARD FOR RADAR GUN

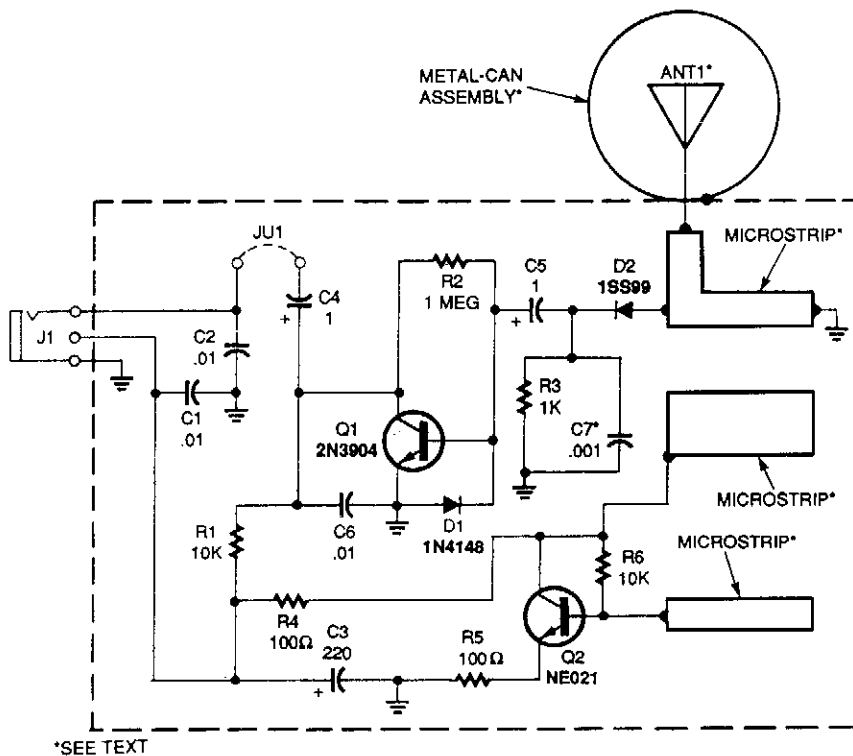


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**Fig. 74-1**

This circuit takes signal (doppler) from a radar gun, amplifies and limits it, and feeds the frequency into a counter (U4) and display circuit (DISP1, DISP2, U5, U6). Counter calibration is set by clock circuit U2B. Calibration is obtained via R21 and R22. R21 can be changed if kilometers/hour readout is desired.

## 2.6-GHz OSCILLATOR FOR RADAR SPEED GUN



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 74-2

This circuit consists of 2.6-GHz oscillator Q2, a coupling microstripline to ANT1, a 1.1"  $\frac{1}{4}$ -wave probe, detector D2, and audio amp Q1. The oscillator feeds power to the antenna, which radiates the signal. The reflected signal from a moving target mixes with the oscillator signal in D2. The resultant beat note (doppler shift) is amplified by Q1 and fed to jack J1, which is used to feed the circuit 12 Vdc.

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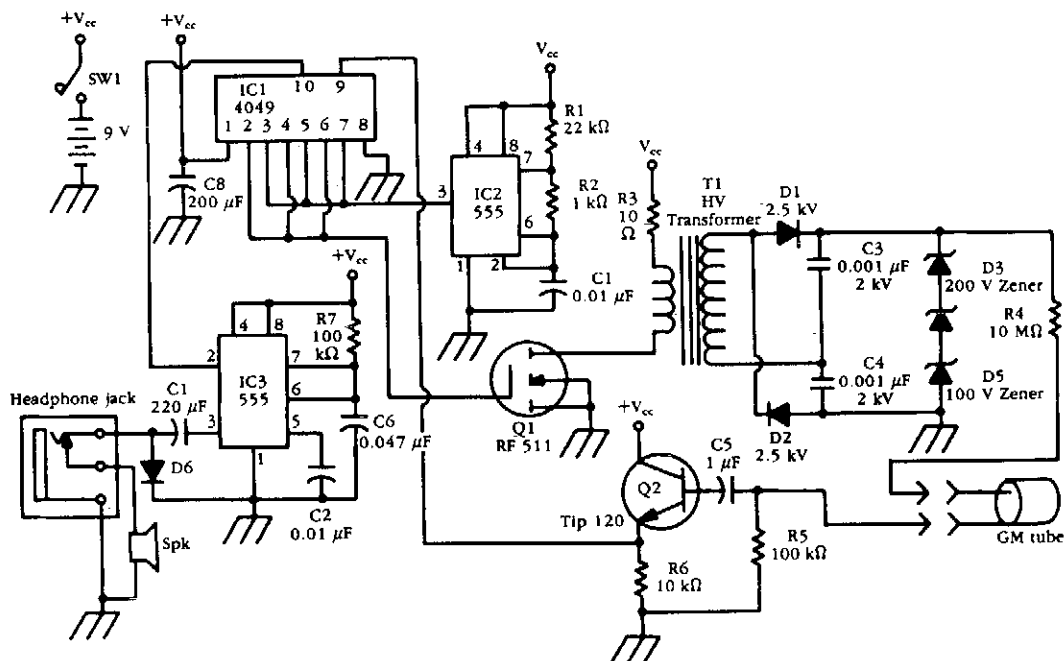
## Radiation Detector Circuits

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Geiger Counter  
Voltage Tripler for Radon Detector Ionization Chamber  
Flyback Power Supply for Radon Monitor  
Radon Monitor Amplifier and Head  
Ion Detector

## GEIGER COUNTER

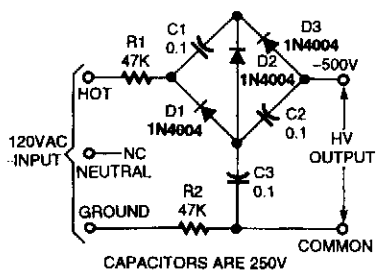


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Fig. 75-1

An HV generator (IC1, IC2, Q1, T1, and associated components) power a G-M tube. A pulse from the GM tube is interfaced through Q2 and IC1 to pulse generator IC3, which drives a speaker.

### VOLTAGE TRIPLER FOR RADON DETECTOR IONIZATION CHAMBER

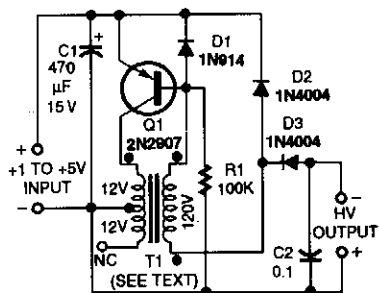


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Fig. 75-2

The voltage tripler charges the ionization chamber capacitor. It is powered from the 120-Vac line. Warning: Shock hazard exists.

### FLYBACK POWER SUPPLY FOR RADON MONITOR



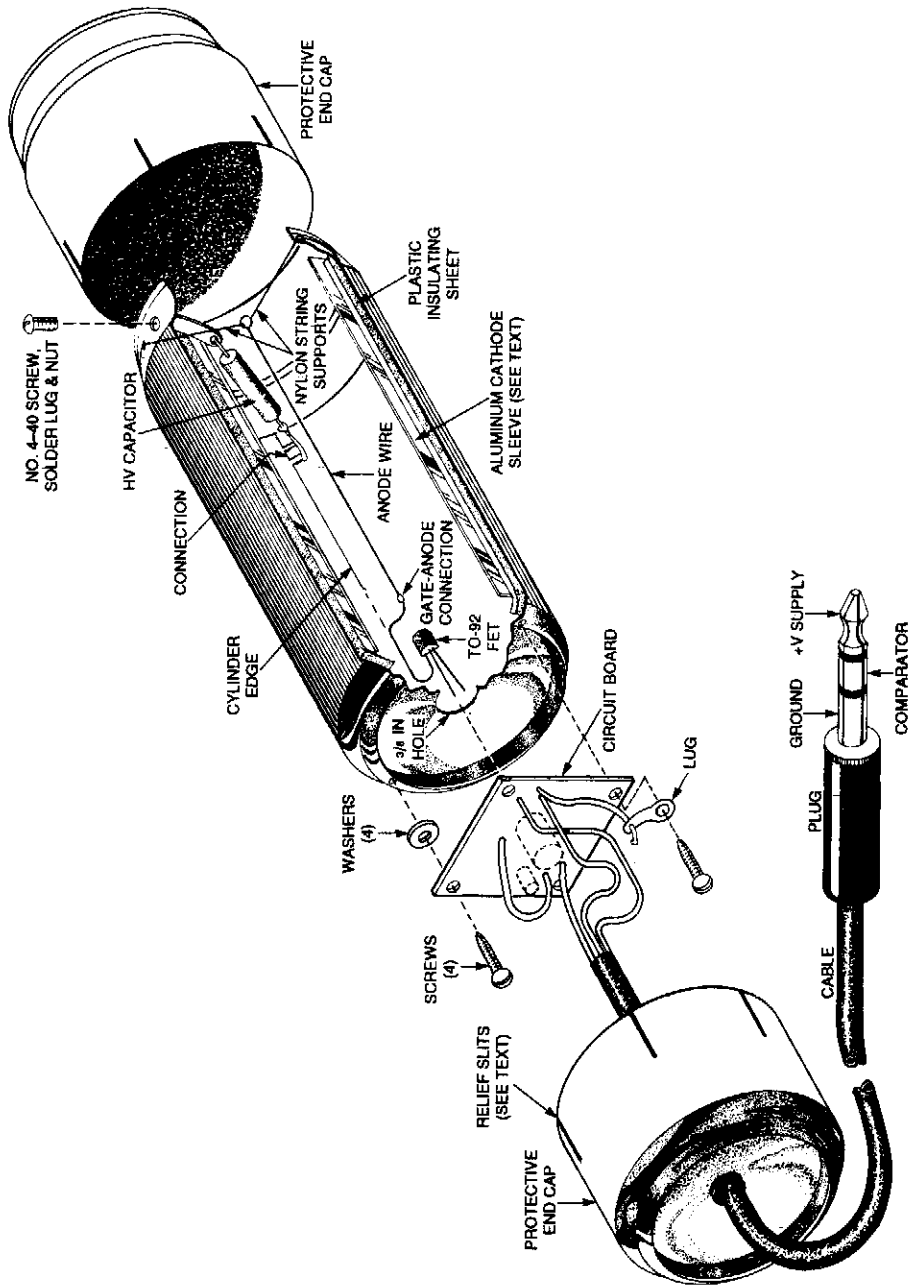
ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 75-3

This blocking-oscillator flyback circuit is an alternative for charging the ionization chamber capacitor.



# RADON MONITOR AMPLIFIER AND HEAD



## RADON MONITOR AMPLIFIER AND HEAD (Cont.)

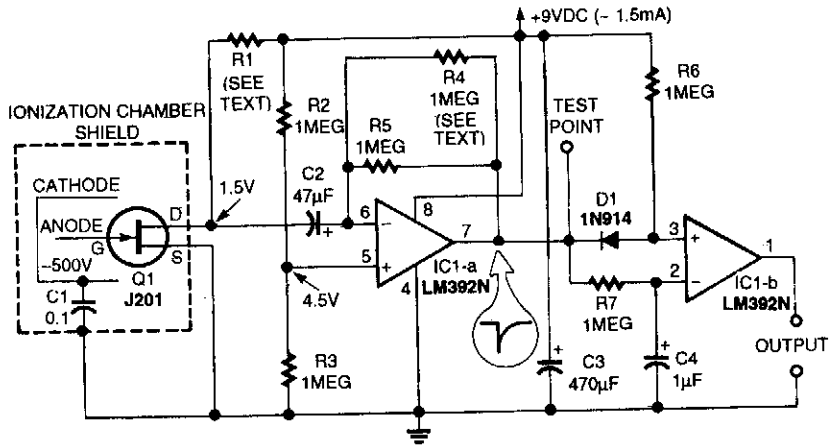


Fig. 75-4

ELECTRONICS NOW

A positively charged anode wire attracts electrons and a negatively charged cathode attracts positively charged ions. The recombination of electrons and ions causes a current that produces a voltage pulse. The cathode is maintained at  $-500\text{ V}$  by a charge on the  $0.1\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitor.

A beverage can forms the chamber, an aluminum can forms the cathode, and half cans form protective end covers. The amplifier circuit board is shown to the left of center.

## ION DETECTOR

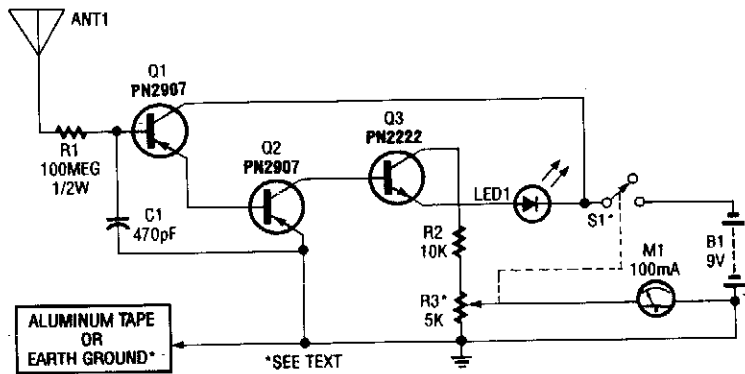


Fig. 75-5

POPULAR ELECTRONICS

ANT1 is a short whip antenna from a junked radio or other device.  $R_3$  is adjusted to bring the meter on scale. This device should be grounded to operate properly. A length of aluminum or copper foil tape attached to the instrument case makes contact with the hand, and the body serves as a ground via hand contact with this tape.

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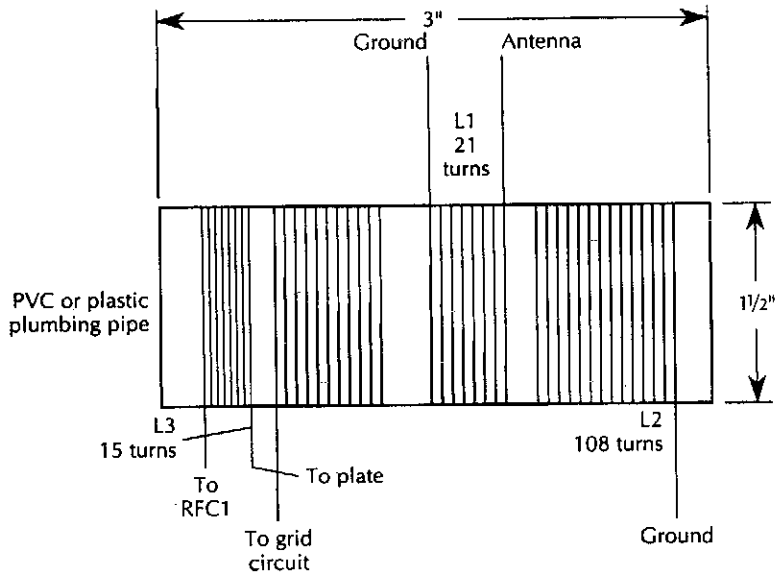
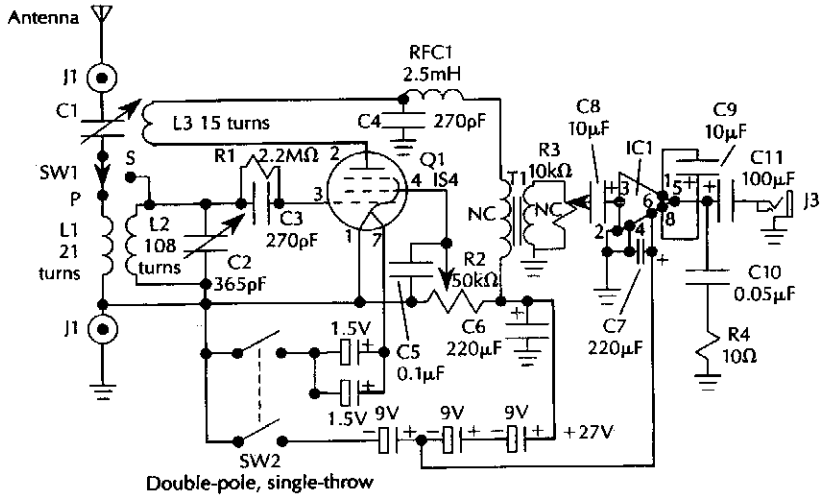
## Receiving Circuits

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|   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| AM Radio                                    | Two-Chip AM Receiver                  |
| ac/dc Vacuum-Tube AM and Shortwave Receiver | Relay Interface to RC Receivers       |
| WWV Receiver                                | Basic Regenerative Receiver           |
| Shortwave Receiver                          | Simple Radio Receiver                 |
| AM/FM Receiver Circuit                      | One-Tube AM Receiver                  |
| 118- to 136-MHz Aircraft Receiver           | Balanced Line Receiver                |
| Dual-Inverter Line Receiver                 | Superhet Front End                    |
| Toroidal-Core TRF Shortwave Receiver        | Receiver Preamp                       |
| Nine-Band Shortwave Receiver                | Regenerative Receiver for 6 to 17 MHz |
| One-Tube Regenerative SW Receiver           | Two-Stage TRF Regenerative Receiver   |
| One-Tube Regenerative AM Receiver           | Economy Shortwave Receiver            |
| Two-Band Radio                              | Variometer-Tuned Radio                |
| Simple Crystal Radio                        | Old-Fashioned Crystal Radio           |
| Video Line Receiver                         | WWV Receiver                          |

# AM RADIO



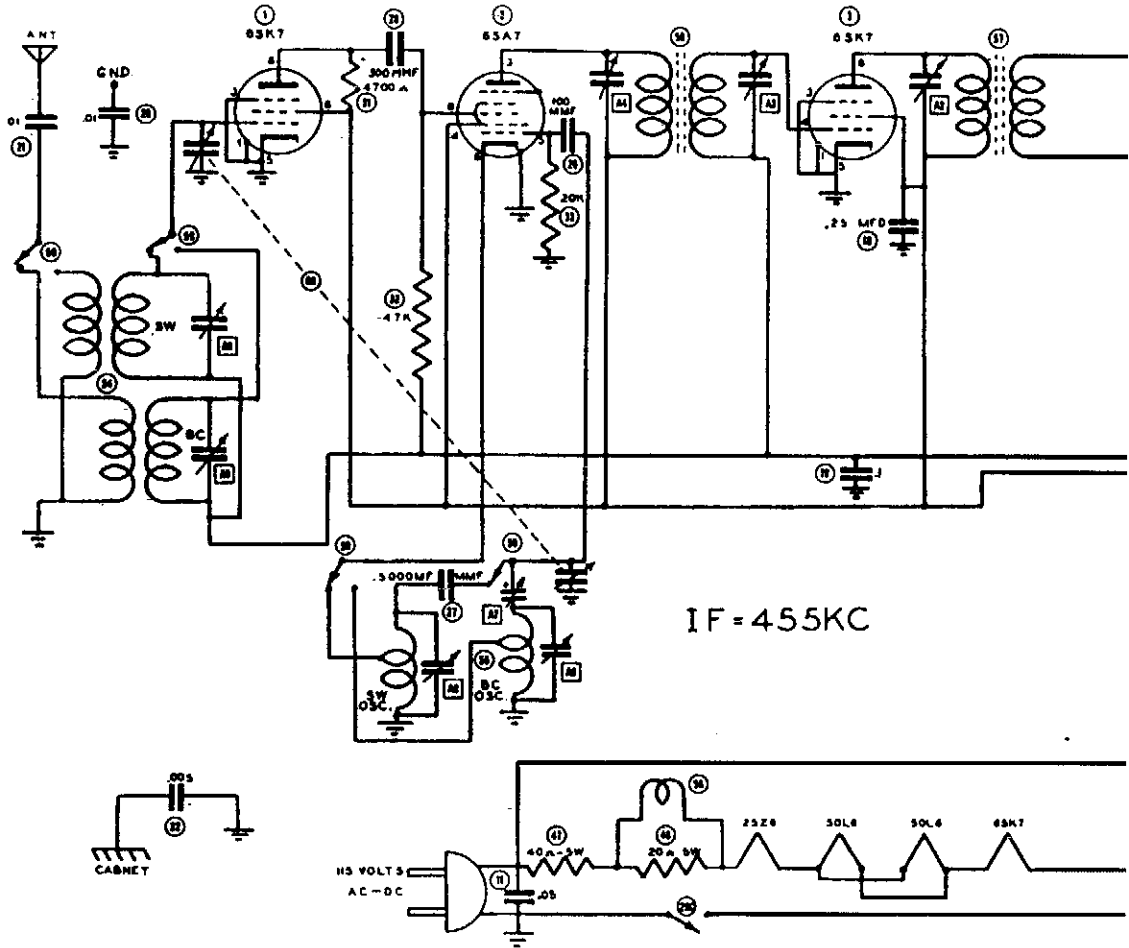
The primary winding of L1 has 21 turns of #24 or #26 enameled wire; L2 has 108 turns; and L3 has 15 turns of wire. All are wound on 1½-inch PVC pipe form.

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**Fig. 76-1**

A 1S4 regenerative detector feeds an LM386 audio IC (IC1). 1.5-V D cells and three 9-V batteries are used for a power supply.

## ac/dc VACUUM-TUBE AM AND SHORTWAVE RECEIVER



### POPULAR ELECTRONICS

This circuit was used in a World War II vintage AM/SW (6 to 18 MHz) receiver and shows typical circuits used in receivers at that time.

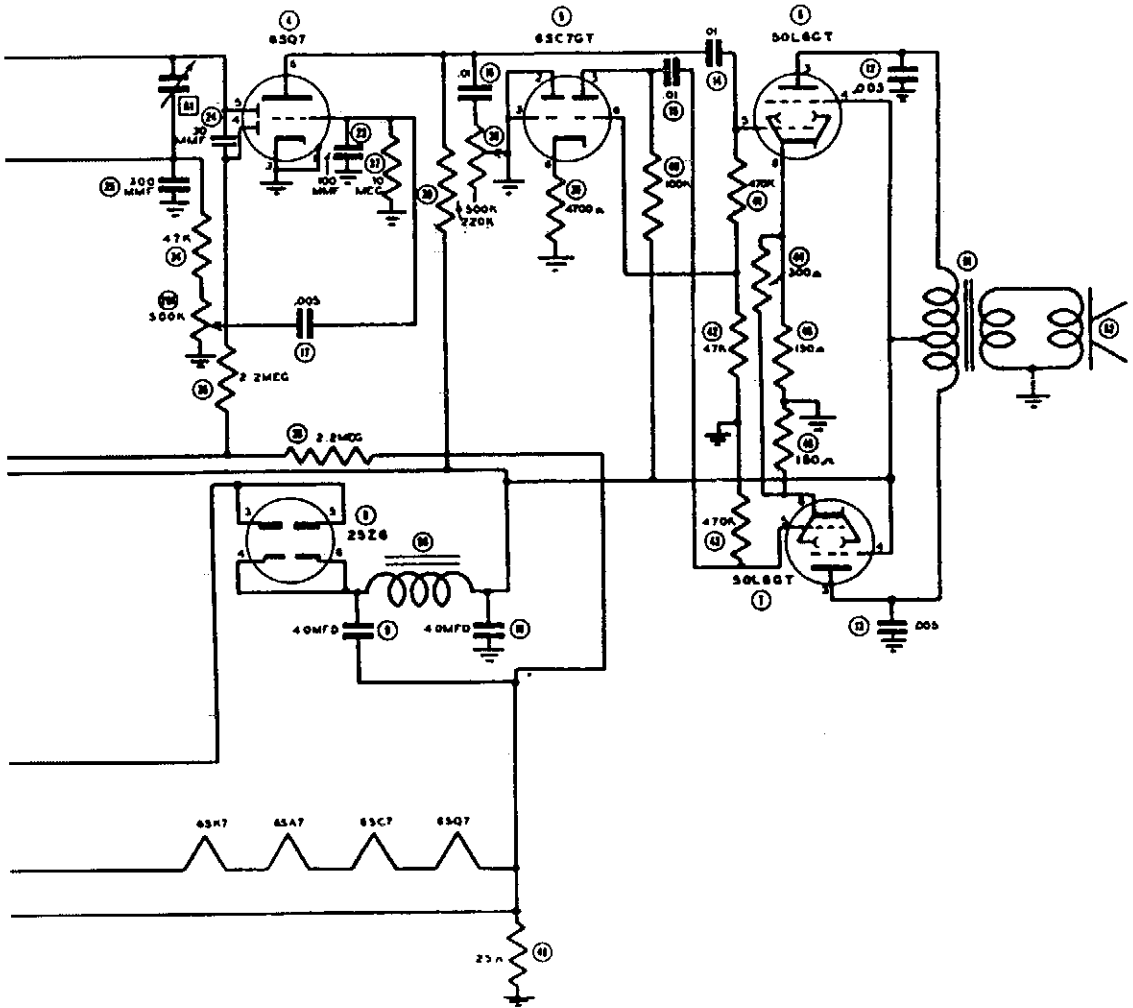
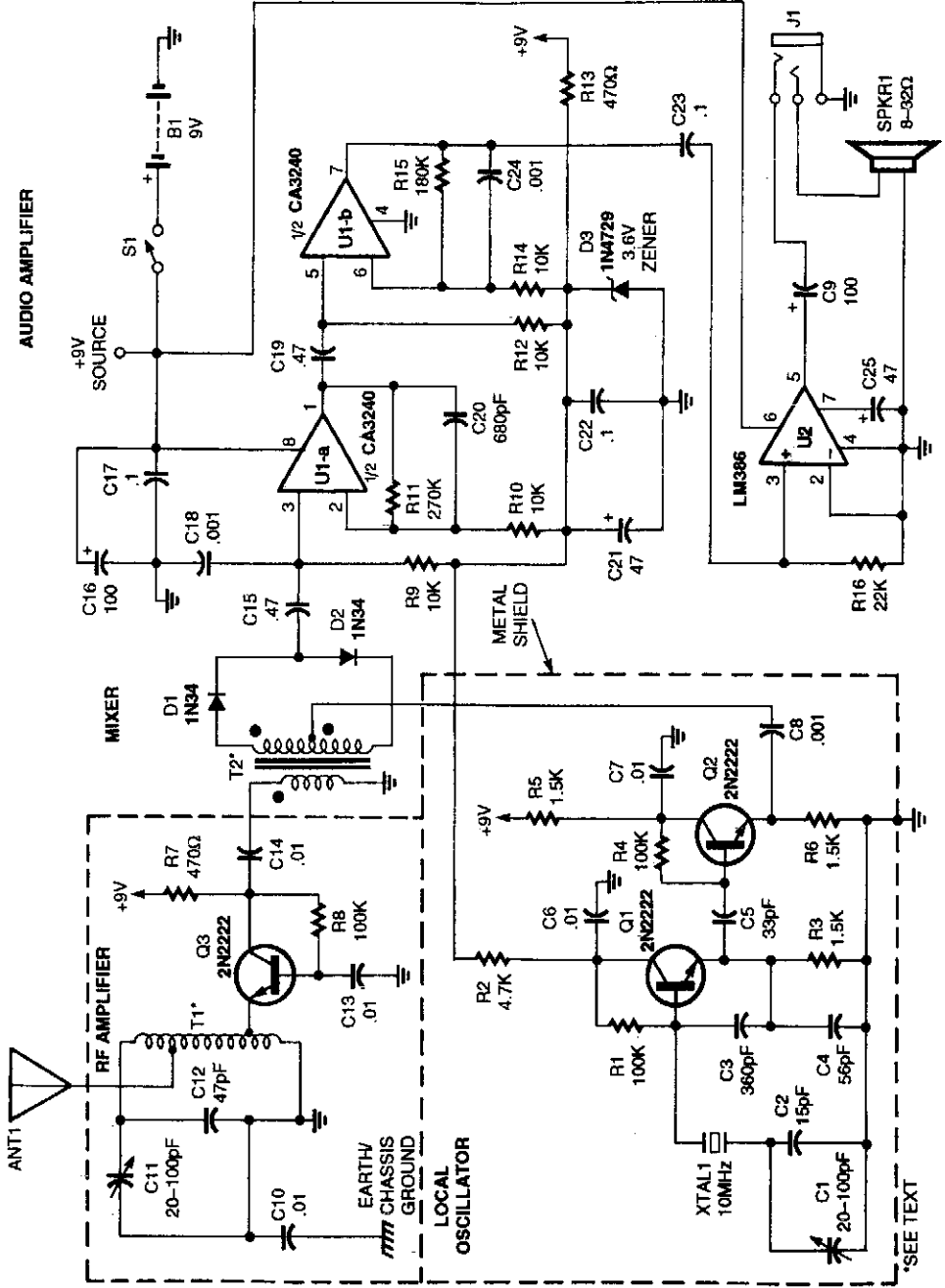
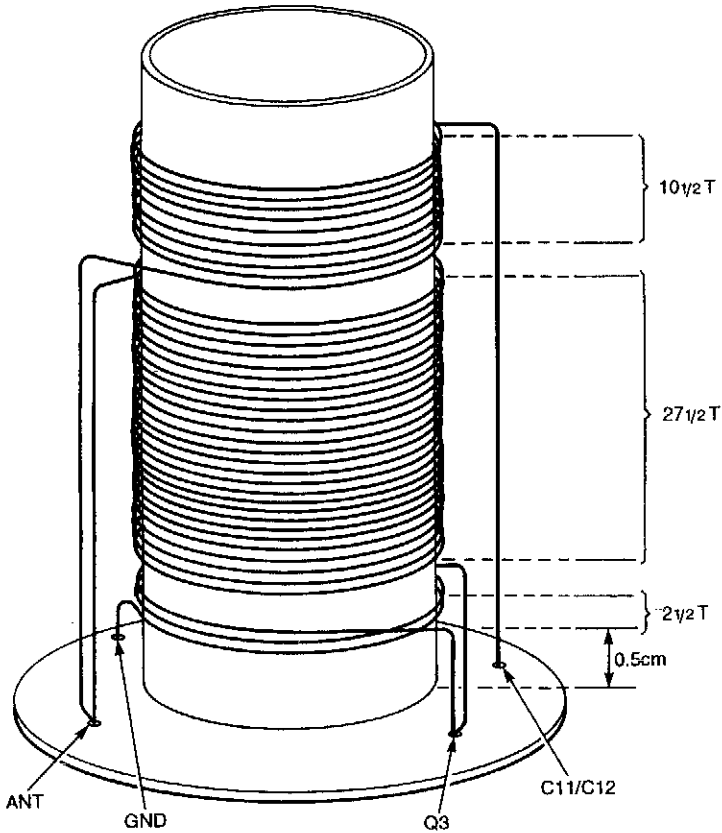


Fig. 76-2

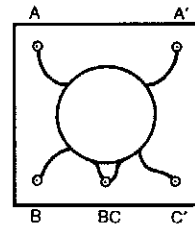
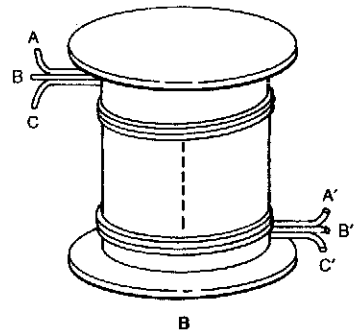
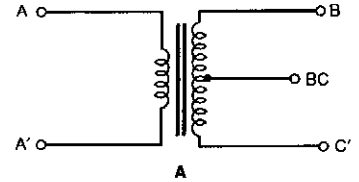
WWV RECEIVER



## WWV RECEIVER (Cont.)



Transformer T1 is a home-made unit comprised of 40 closely wound turns of #26 AWG enameled wire on a 1/4-inch diameter air-core form, with taps at 2½ and 10½ turns from each end; after each tap, the winding continues in the same direction.



Construction details for T2 (the mixer transformer) are shown here. The diagram in A is a schematic representation of the unit once completed; B illustrates how the three lengths of wire are wound as a set on the bobbin; and C shows how the bobbin is connected to the pinned base.

RF amplifier Q3 feeds diode mixer D1–D2 and Q1–Q2 provide 10-MHz L.O. injection to D1 through T1 and T2. U1A, U1B and U2 are audio amplifiers. Details of T1 and T2 are shown.



## SHORTWAVE RECEIVER

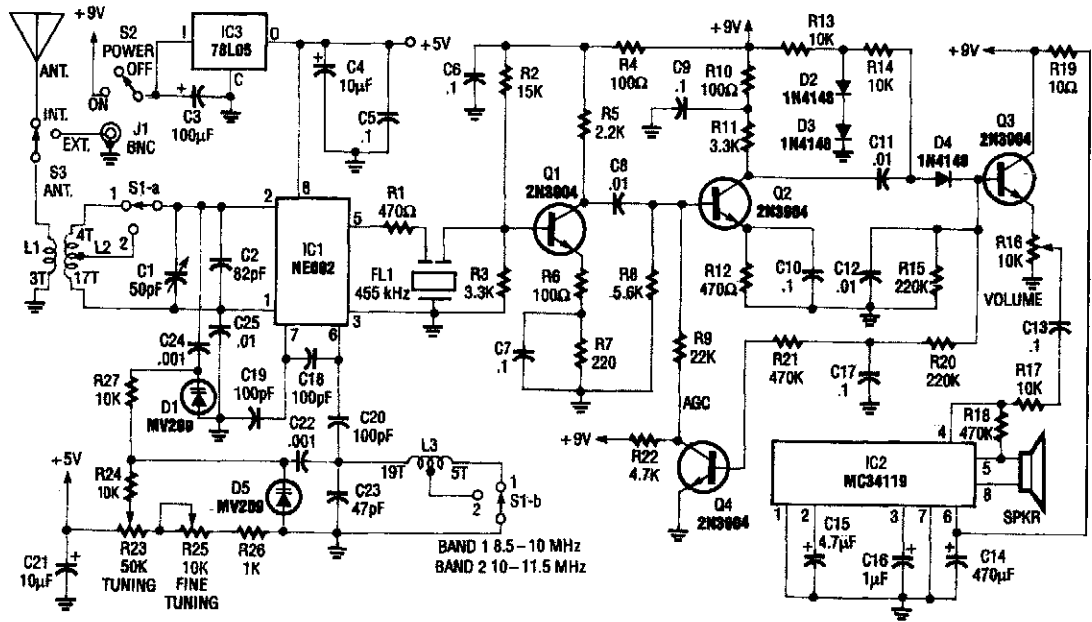


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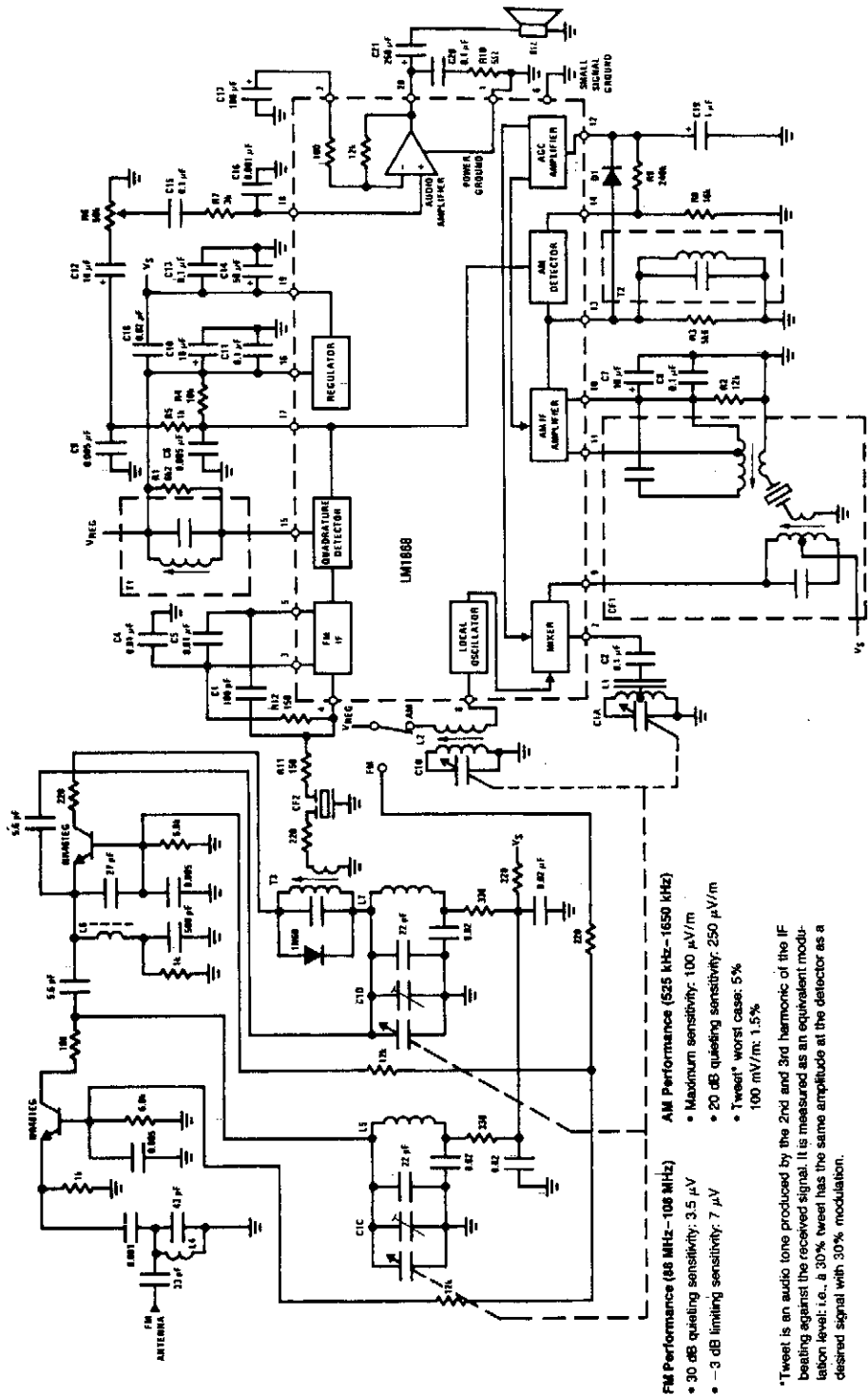
| Frequency (MHz) | C2 (pF) | C18, C19 (pF) | C23 (pF) | L1, L2 (Ant) (# of turns on T-37-2 core) | L3 (Osc) |
|-----------------|---------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| 5               | 100     | 120           | 68       | 5, 41                                    | 45       |
| 6               | 100     | 120           | 68       | 4, 30                                    | 34       |
| 7               | 82      | 100           | 47       | 4, 26                                    | 29       |
| 8               | 82      | 100           | 47       | 3, 22                                    | 24       |
| 10              | 82      | 100           | 47       | 3, 17                                    | 19       |
| 12              | 82      | 100           | 47       | 2, 15                                    | 17       |
| 14              | 68      | 82            | 33       | 2, 14                                    | 15       |
| 15              | 68      | 82            | 33       | 2, 13                                    | 14       |

TABLE 3

|           | NE602  | MC34119 |        |        |
|-----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Pin 1     | 1.27 V | 0V      |        |        |
| Pin 2     | 1.27 V | 4.15 V  |        |        |
| Pin 3     | 0V     | 4.11 V  |        |        |
| Pin 4     | 3.64 V | 3.97 V  |        |        |
| Pin 5     | 3.59 V | 4.14 V  |        |        |
| Pin 6     | 4.99 V | -9.09 V |        |        |
| Pin 7     | 4.33 V | 0V      |        |        |
| Pin 8     | 5.05 V | 4.20 V  |        |        |
|           | Q1     | Q2      | Q3     | Q4     |
| Emitter   | 0.95 V | 0.80 V  | 0.27 V | 0V     |
| Base      | 1.61 V | 1.45 V  | 0.82 V | 0.58 V |
| Collector | 2.56 V | 3.30 V  | 9.17 V | 7.41 V |

This receiver covers 8.5 to 11.5 MHz in two bands and has a sensitivity of under 1  $\mu$ V. An NE602 mixer feeds a 455-kHz IF amplifier (Q1 and Q2), detector D4, and audio amplifier IC2. Q4 serves as an AGC amplifier coil data is given in the table. The LO is varactor tuned.

# AM/FM RECEIVER CIRCUIT



- FM Performance (88 MHz - 108 MHz)**
- 30 dB quieting sensitivity: 3.5  $\mu$ V
  - -3 dB limiting sensitivity: 7  $\mu$ V
- AM Performance (525 kHz - 1650 kHz)**
- Maximum sensitivity: 100  $\mu$ V/m
  - 20 dB quieting sensitivity: 250  $\mu$ V/m
  - "Tweeter" worst case: 5% 100 mV/m; 1.5%

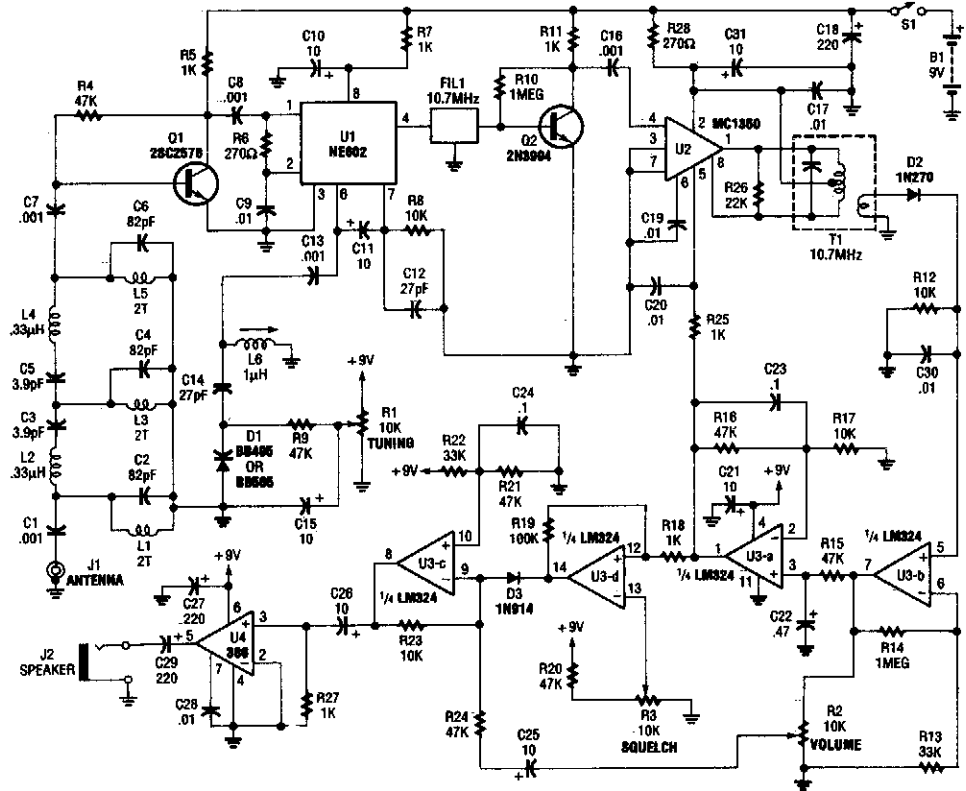
\*Tweeter is an audio tone produced by the 2nd and 3rd harmonic of the IF beating against the received signal. It is measured as an equivalent modulation level; i.e., a 30% tweeter has the same amplitude at the detector as a desired signal with 30% modulation.

## NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 76-5

This circuit shows the LM1868 as a complete AM radio and FM IF section. An external FM front end is used for the 88- to 108-MHz band. Audio output is 0.5 W and either 9-V battery or line operated supply can be used.

## 118- TO 136-MHz AIRCRAFT RECEIVER

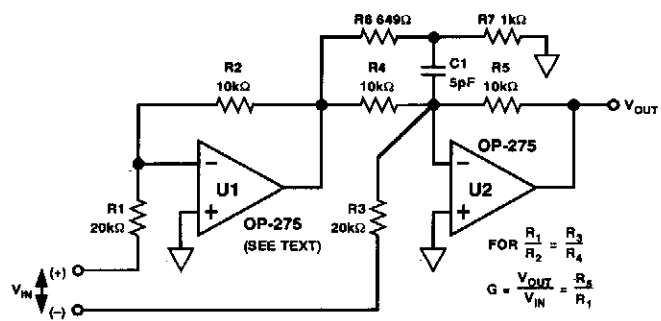


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Fig. 76-6

This receiver covers the 118- to 136-MHz AM aviation band. It has a 10.7-MHz IF amplifier. L1, L3, and L5 are 1½ turns of #24 wire. F1L1 is a 10.7-MHz ceramic filter. IF bandwidth will be about 250 kHz.

## DUAL-INVERTER LINE RECEIVER

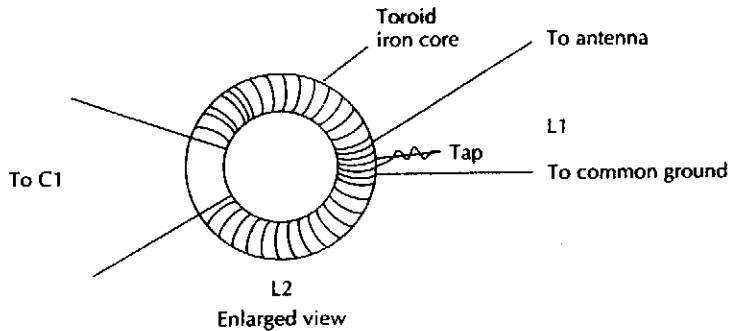
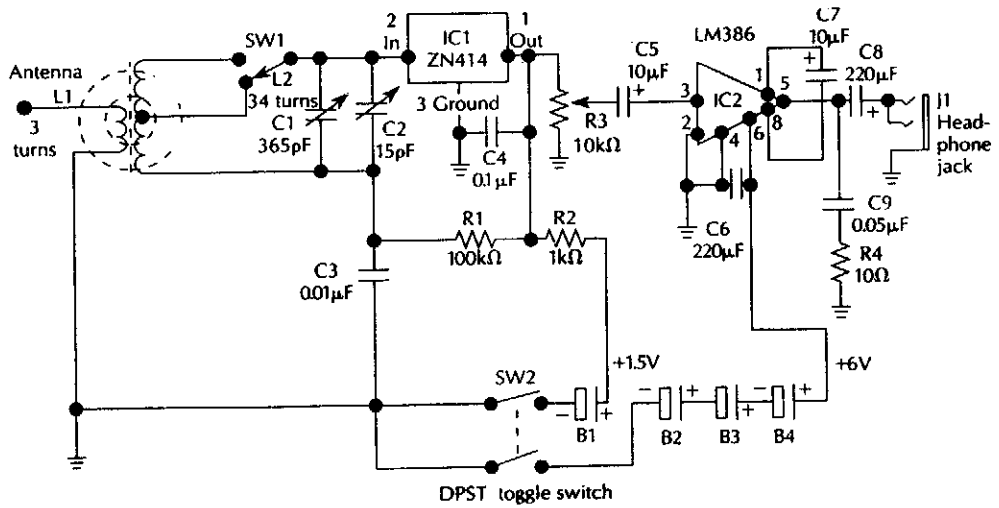


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Fig. 76-7

This circuit is for audio applications.

## TOROIDAL CORE TRF SHORTWAVE RECEIVER



L1—3 turns of #24 enameled magnet wire wound over center of L2.  
 L2—34 turns of #24 enameled wire—coils wound on toroid iron core form T-50-2—tapped at the 17th turn. Form has only 1/2-inch diameter.

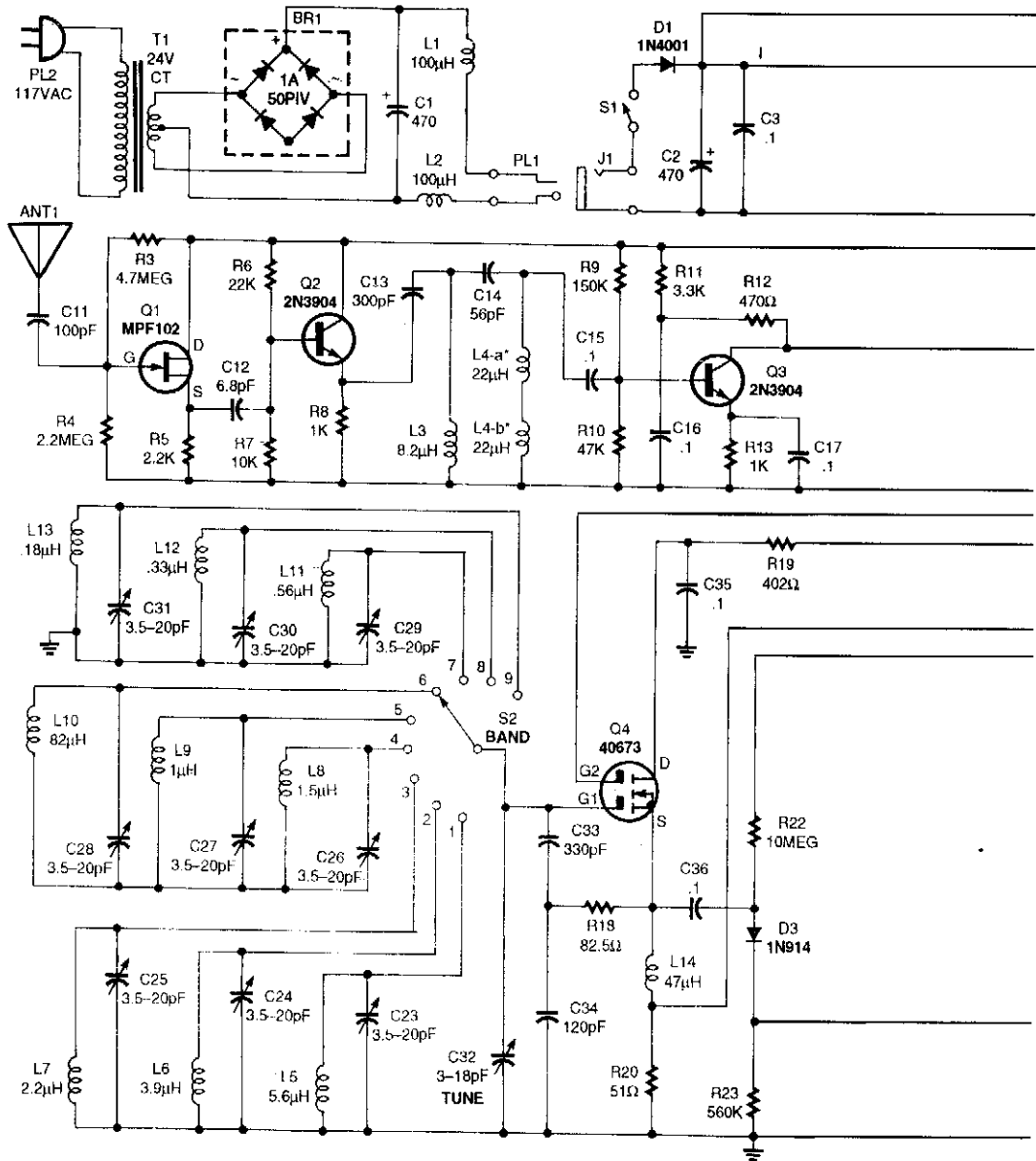
Wind 34 turns, with a tap at the 17th turn, for L2 on the small 1/2-inch diameter iron core form.

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Fig. 76-8

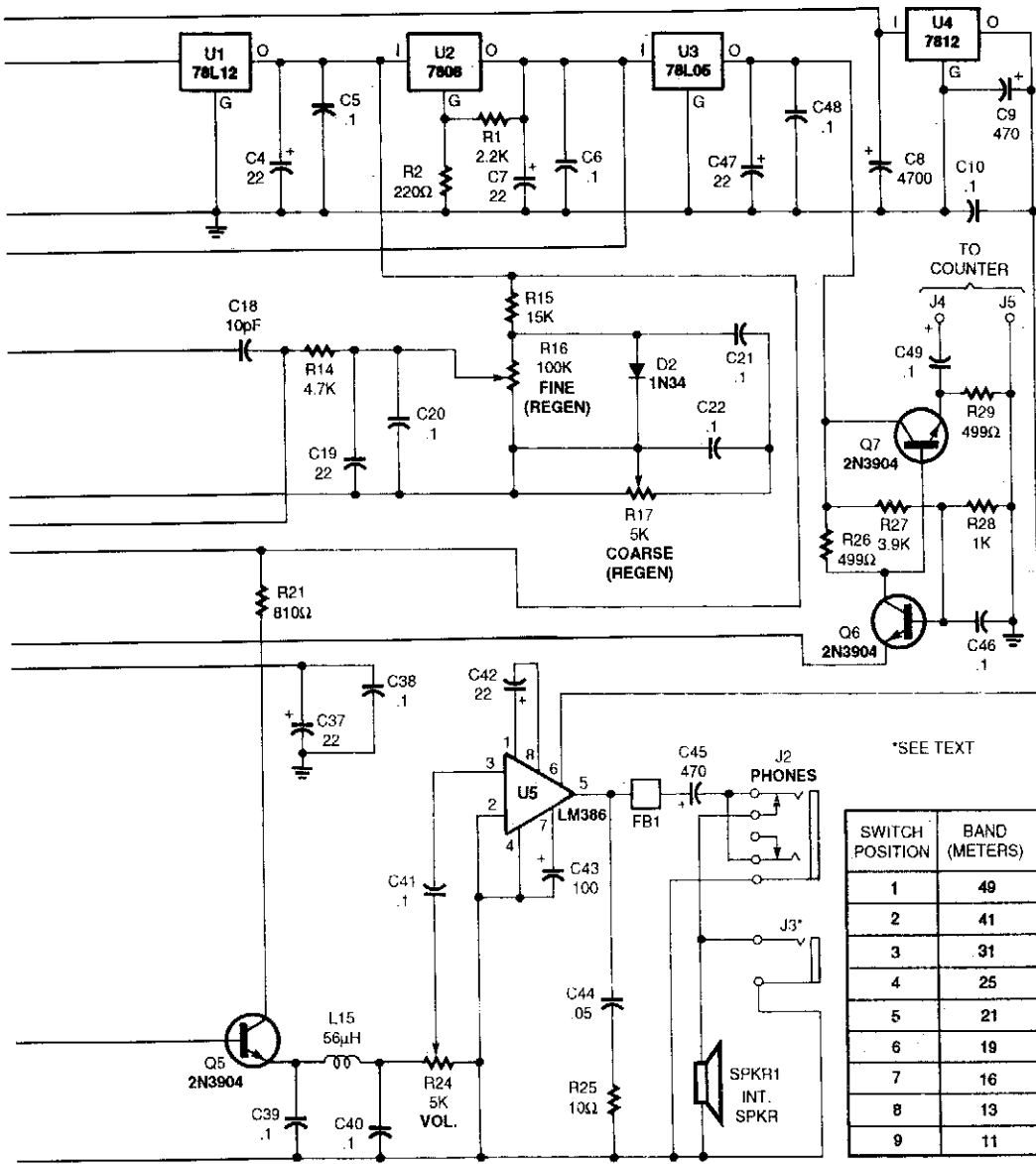
A ZN414 IC feeds an LM386 audio amplifier in this TRF circuit. SW1 is a band-switch. Coverage is up to 18 MHz.

## NINE-BAND SHORTWAVE RECEIVER



### POPULAR ELECTRONICS

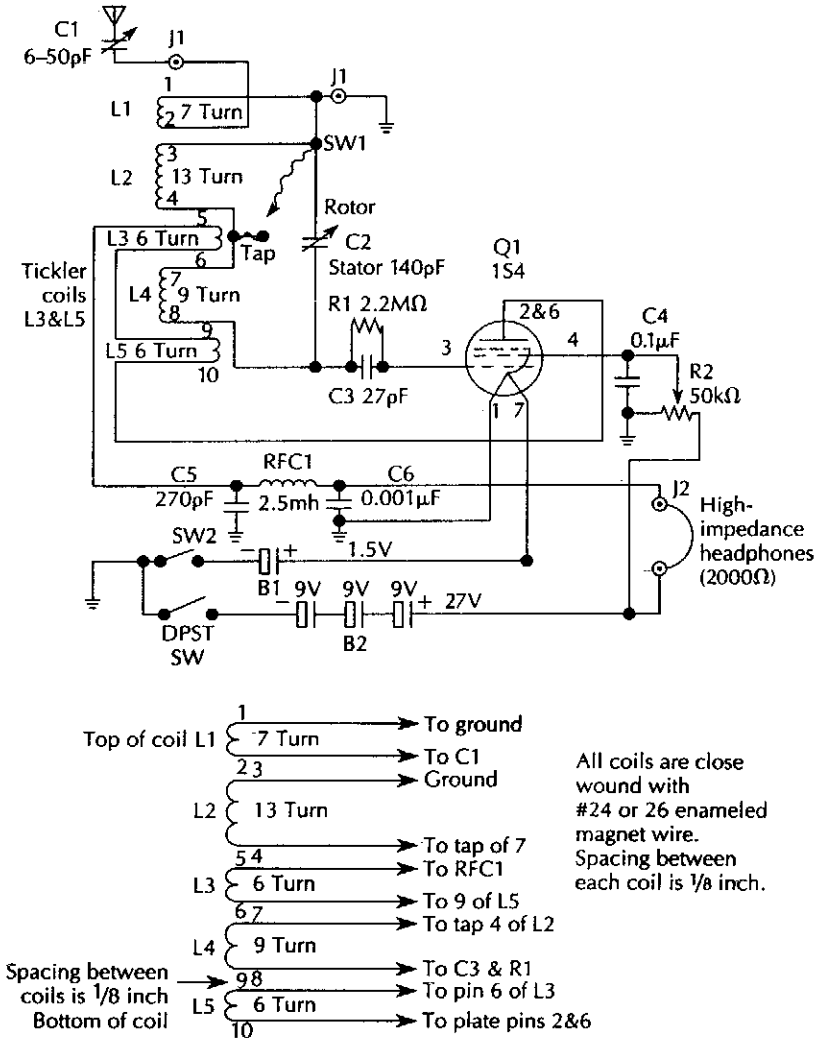
Dual-gate MOSFET Q4 is used as a regenerative amplifier in this circuit. An active antenna feeds the signal to Q4, and a short whip antenna is adequate. Detector Q5 feeds volume control R24, and audio amplifier U5, an LM386. The frequency range is 49 to 11 meters in nine bands (6 to 27 MHz).



\*SEE TEXT

| SWITCH POSITION | BAND (METERS) |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1               | 49            |
| 2               | 41            |
| 3               | 31            |
| 4               | 25            |
| 5               | 21            |
| 6               | 19            |
| 7               | 16            |
| 8               | 13            |
| 9               | 11            |

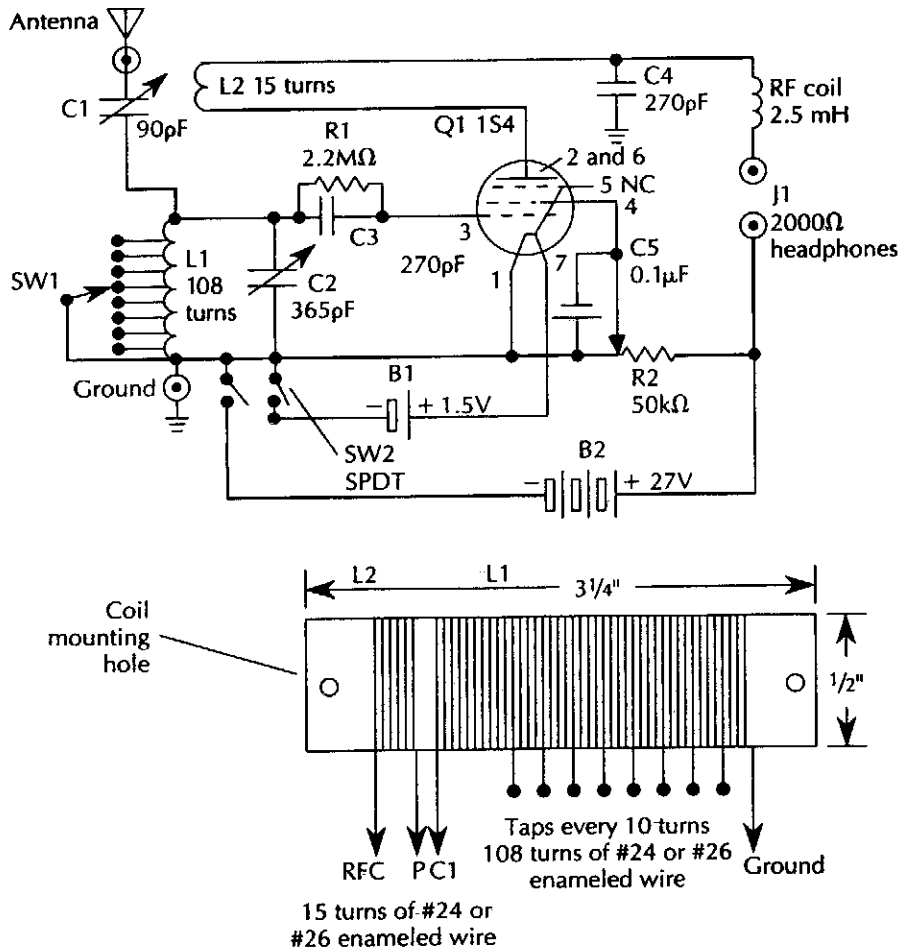
## ONE-TUBE REGENERATIVE SW RECEIVER



*How to wind L1, L2, and L3 with taps. This receiver tunes in the 40- and 80-meter range of frequencies.*

A 154 tube is used in a regenerative detector circuit. Details for coils are shown and frequency range can be shifted within 1.5 to 20 MHz by proportionally adjusting the number of turns on coils.

## ONE-TUBE REGENERATIVE AM RECEIVER



Wind both coils on PVC pipe using either #24 or #26 enameled wire. For coil L1, wind 108 turns on the pipe, and tap every 10 turns.

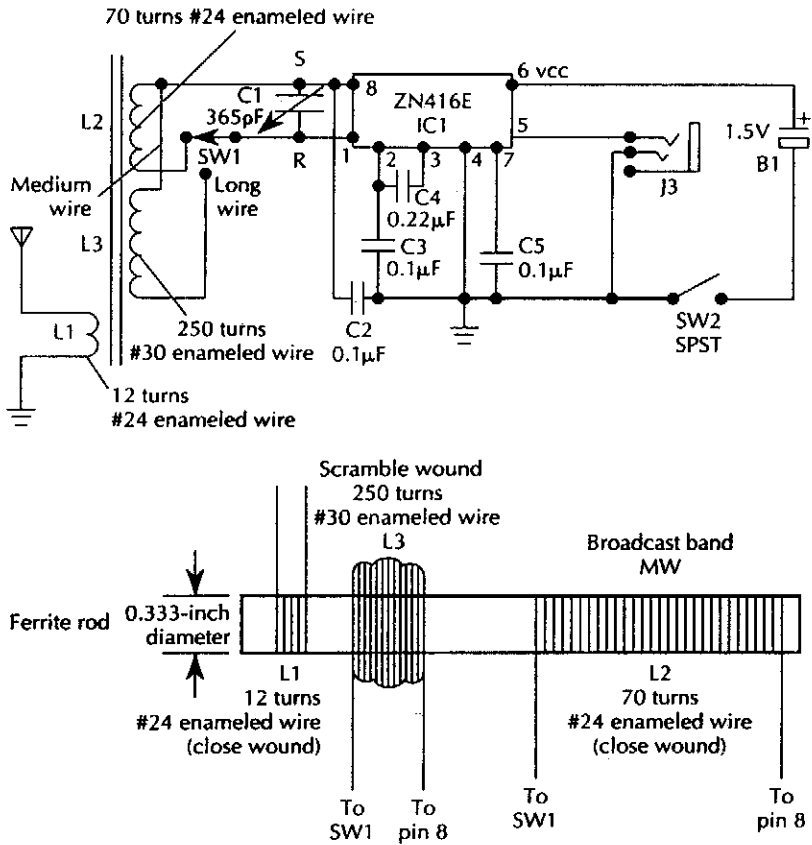
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Fig. 76-11

Suitable for AM reception and as a simple radio project, this circuit uses a single tube as a regenerative detector.



## TWO-BAND RADIO



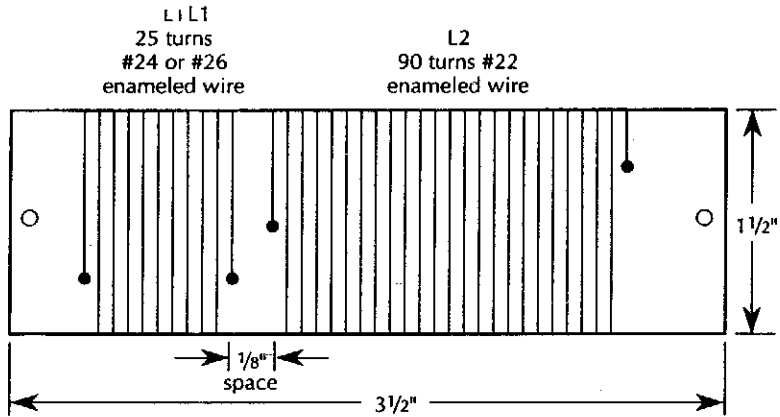
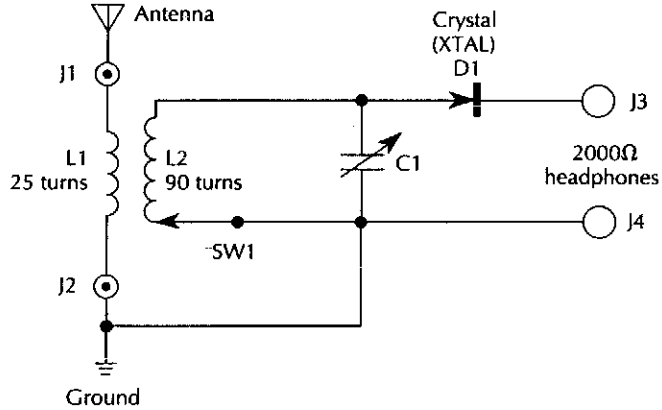
All three coil windings are wound on one long ferrite form. Two different coils are switched into the circuit, covering the longwave (lw) and medium-wave (mw) broadcast band.

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Fig. 76-12

This TRF receiver covers the AM broadcast band and longwave bands (used in Europe and Asia for broadcasting). A loop antenna is used for reception and an external antenna can be connected. Frequency coverage is 150 to 1600 kHz.

## SIMPLE CRYSTAL RADIO



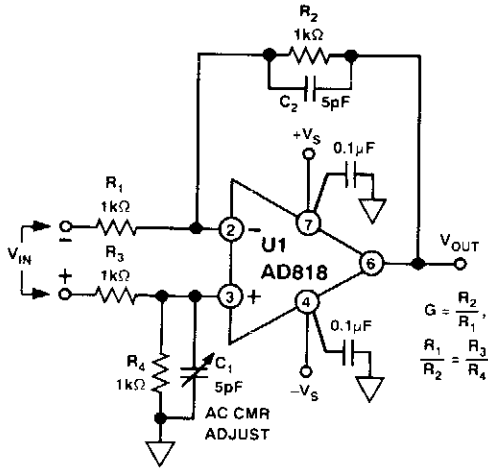
Wind 90 turns or 2½ inches of #22 enameled wire for L2, and 25 turns of #24 or #26 enameled wire for L1 on a 1½-inch PVC plastic pipe form.

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**Fig. 76-13**

An IN34A (D1) is used as a detector in this crystal radio. A good outdoor antenna should be used.

## VIDEO LINE RECEIVER

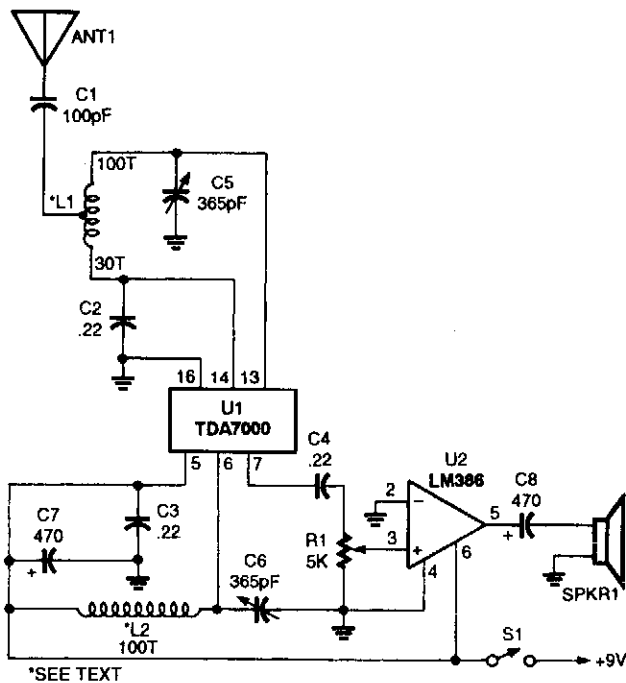


This circuit can achieve 46-dB common-mode rejection if  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ , and  $R_4$  are matched to 1%.  $C_1$  is adjusted for best CMR above 1 MHz.

ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 76-14

## TWO-CHIP AM RECEIVER



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 76-15

This receiver is comprised of a TDA7000 single-chip FM receiver (U1), an LM386 low-voltage audio-power amplifier (U2), a pair of hand-wound coils (L1 and L2), and a few additional components. L1 and L2 are 100 turns of #28 wire on toroidal cores (about 240  $\mu$ H each). L1 is tapped at 30 turns.

## RELAY INTERFACE TO RC RECEIVERS

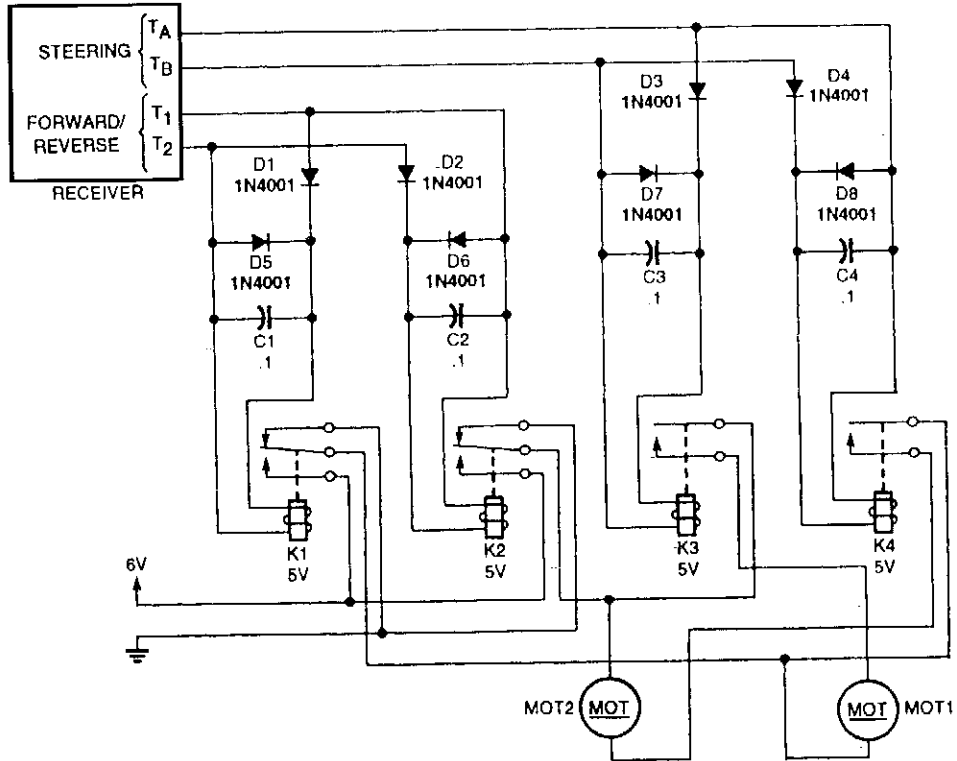


Fig. 76-16

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You can add relays to some inexpensive RC receivers to operate your own chassis.

### BASIC REGENERATIVE RECEIVER

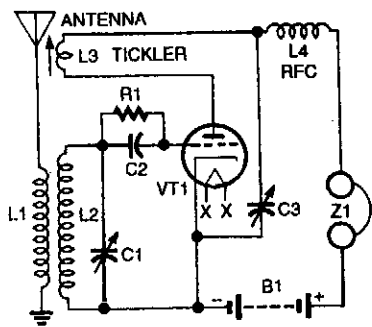


Fig. 76-17

ELECTRONICS NOW

### SIMPLE RADIO RECEIVER

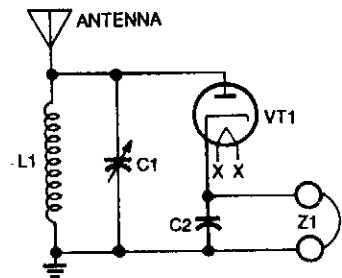
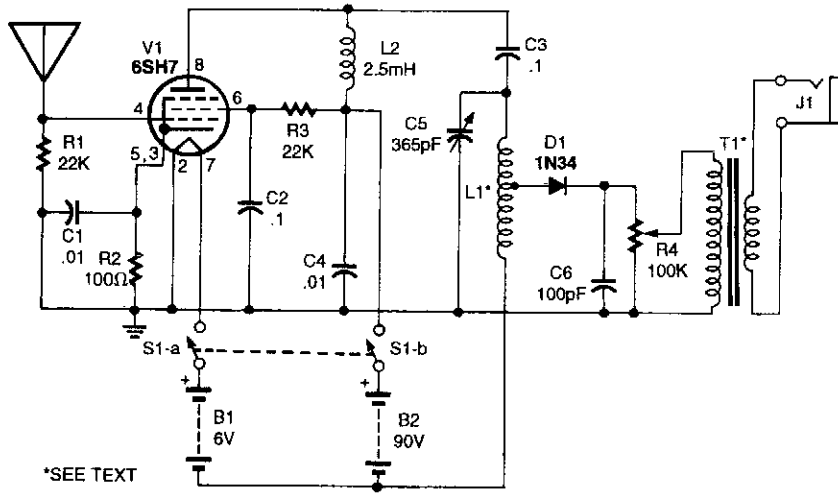


Fig. 76-18

ELECTRONICS NOW

Vacuum-tube detector receiver.

## ONE-TUBE AM RECEIVER

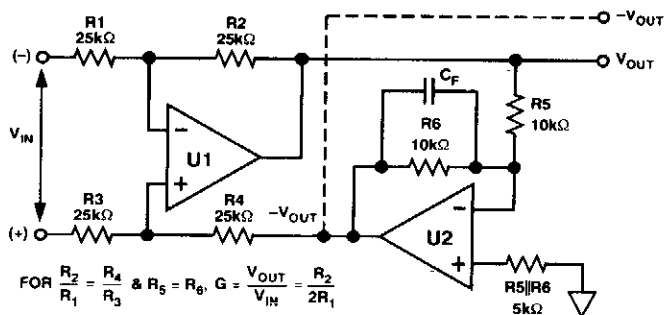


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 76-19

This radio uses an untuned RF stage to boost the signal voltage up to the linear portion of the crystal diode's characteristic curve. The circuit's distortion and wide bandpass and a good-quality transformer make for a great-sounding AM radio. L1 is a winding of #22 enamelled wire 2" long on a 2" diameter plastic pipe. T1 is a tube-type radio output transformer, rated at 2000  $\Omega$  to the speaker voice coil.

## BALANCED LINE RECEIVER

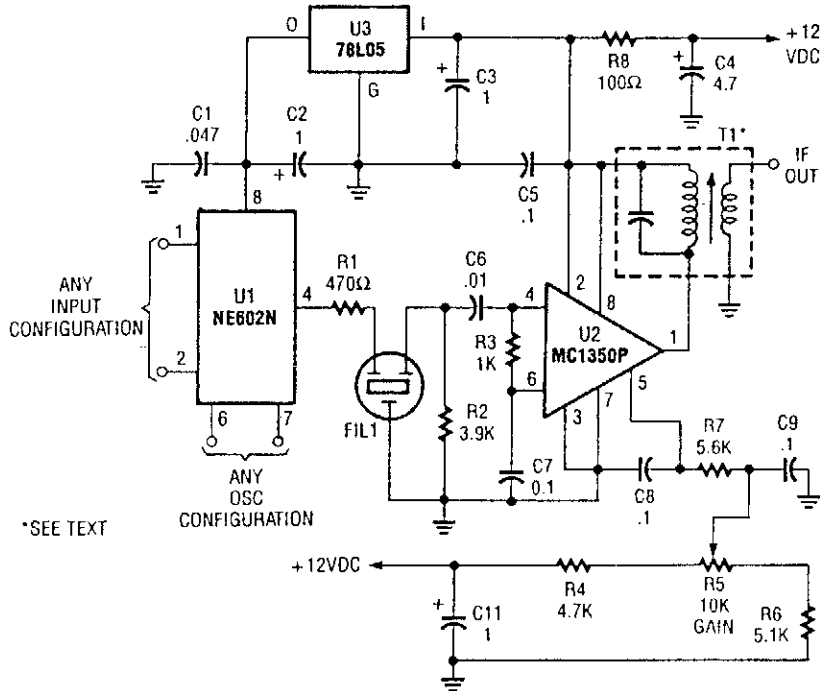


ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 76-20

Unity-gain inverter U2 drives R4 (usually grounded at  $-V_{OUT}$ ), equalizing currents in  $\pm$ input legs, and provides a choice of balanced p-p output with a gain of  $R_2/R_1$ .

## SUPERHET FRONT END

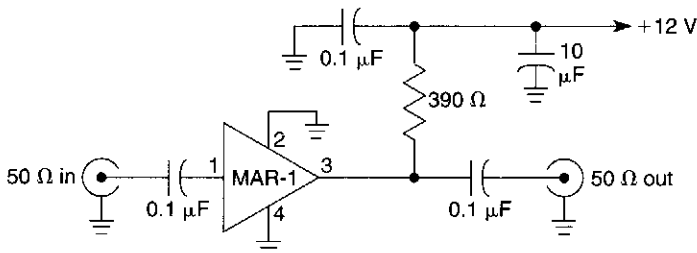


RADIO CRAFT

Fig. 76-21

This superhet receiver front end is simple and uses an NE602 followed by an MC1350 IF amplifier.

## RECEIVER PREAMP



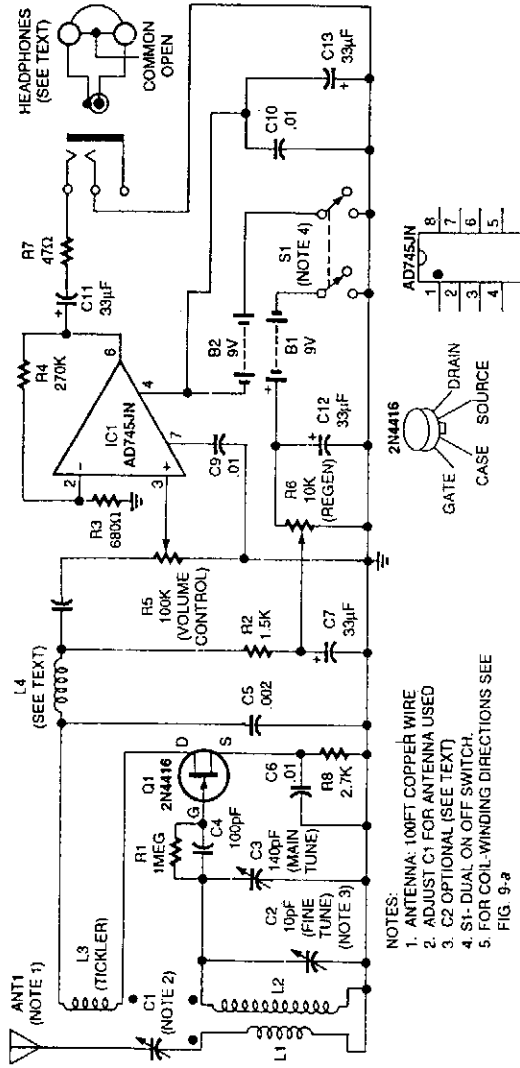
Freq. range 0.5-500 MHz  
Power gain  $G_p = 17$  dB @ 50 MHz

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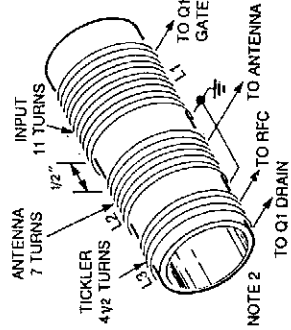
Fig. 76-22

Suitable for HF and VHF receivers, this preamplifier can be mounted on the back of the receiver for a boost in gain. Useful gain is about 17 dB at 50 MHz.

# REGENERATIVE RECEIVER FOR 6 TO 17 MHz



- NOTES:
1. ANTENNA: 100FT COPPER WIRE
  2. ADJUST C1 FOR ANTENNA USED
  3. C2 OPTIONAL (SEE TEXT)
  4. S1-DUAL ON OFF SWITCH
  5. FOR COIL-WINDING DIRECTIONS SEE FIG. 9-a



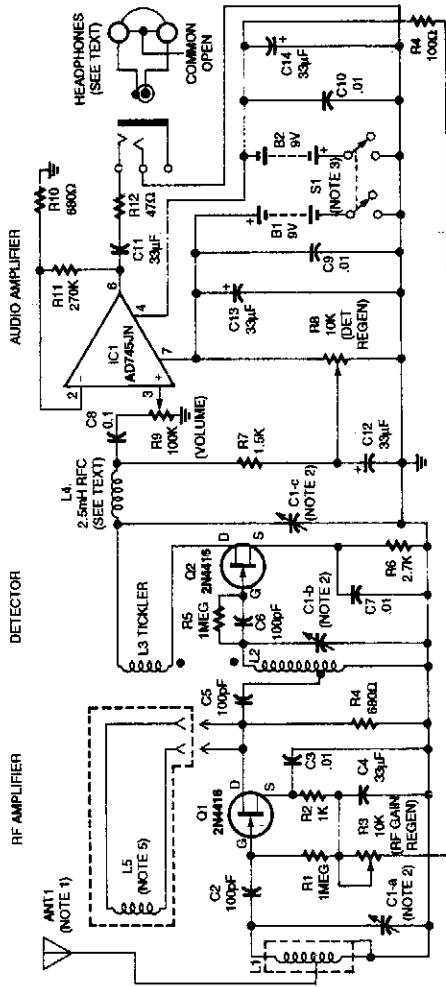
- NOTE 2:
1. ALL WINDINGS ARE NO. 22 INSULATED STRANDED COPPER HOOKUP WIRE
  2. 1 1/2 -IN. OD PVC PIPE

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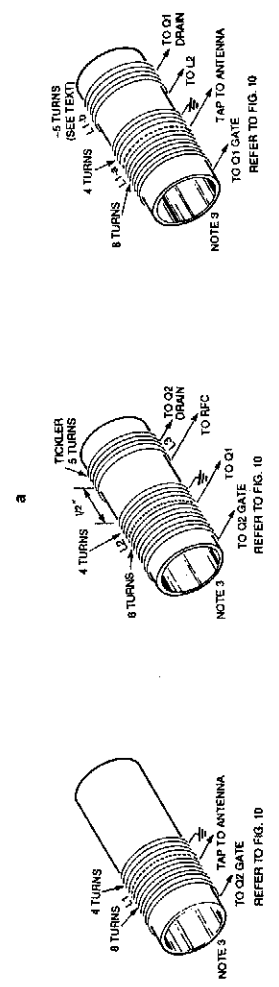
The headphones are 32-Ω stereo types. The common lead is left floating so that the two sides are in series, giving 64 Ω.

Fig. 76-23

## TWO-STAGE TRF REGENERATIVE RECEIVER



- NOTES:
1. ANT 1 IS 100-FT COPPER WIRE
  2. C1 IS 2-SECTION GANGED VARIABLE; 10 TO 365pF EACH SECTION
  3. S1 IS DUAL GANGED SWITCH (SEE TEXT)
  4. FOR COIL-WINDING DIRECTIONS SEE FIG. 9
  5. MODIFICATION FOR 2-CASCADED REGENERATIVE STAGES (SEE TEXT)



- NOTES:
1. ALL WINDINGS ARE NO. 22 ENAMELED COPPER HOOKUP WIRE
  2. 1-IN. OD PLASTIC PILL BOTTLE OR
  3. 1-IN. OD PVC PIPE

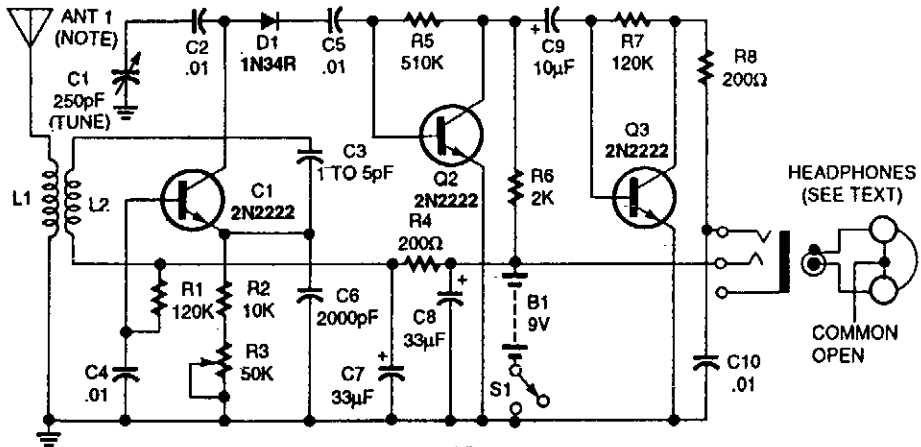
**Fig. 76-24**

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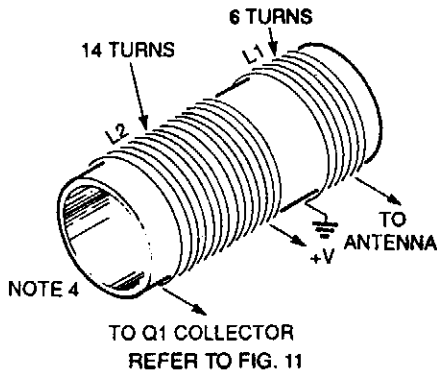
This regenerative receiver uses a tuned RF stage to improve performance. The coil in Fig. 76-24D is for the purpose of adding a second regenerative stage (RF amp). This coil is L5 in the schematic.



## ECONOMY SHORTWAVE RECEIVER



1. ANT 1 IS 100-FT COPPER WIRE.  
 NOTES: 2 FOR COIL WINDING  
 DIRECTIONS SEE FIG. 9

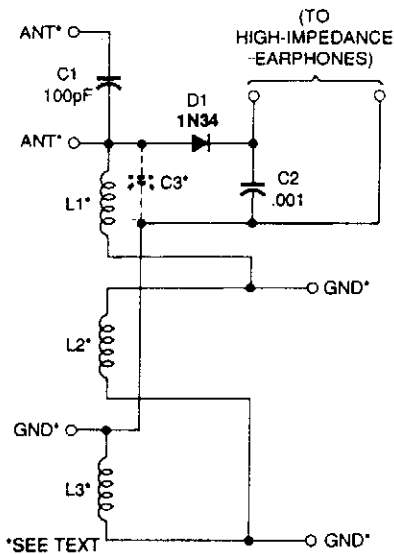


### NOTES:

1. ALL WINDINGS ARE NO.22 INSULATED STRANDED COPPER HOOKUP WIRE
2. 1-IN. OD PLASTIC PILL BOTTLE
3. 1-IN. OD PVC PIPE OR NOTE 3

Using three transistors, this receiver covers the range of 6 to 17 MHz. Coils can be altered to change the range to a lower or higher frequency.

## VARIOMETER-TUNED RADIO



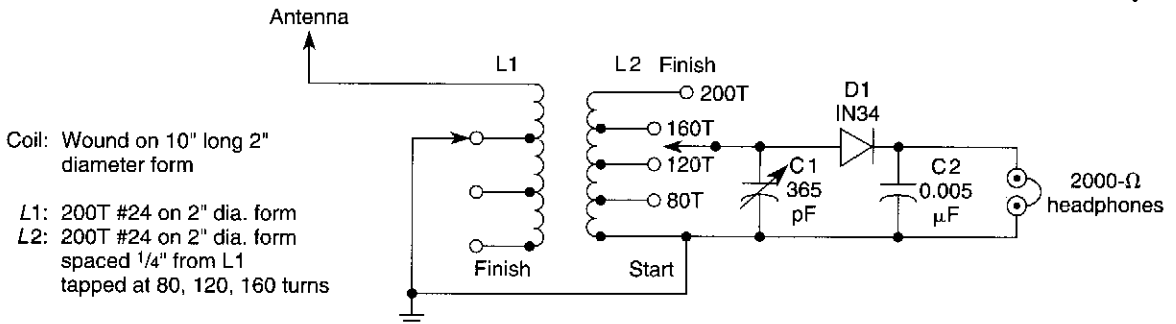
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 76-26

The two fixed coils of the variometer, L1 and L3, are wound on an 8½-inch-long piece of 1-inch-diameter plastic pipe (its outer diameter is about 1¼ inches). Each coil is 2¼ inches long. The number of turns is not critical, but 86 tightly wound turns of #22 enameled wire were used. When winding the coils, make sure you start at a point that will allow them to be placed 2 inches apart on the pipe. Drill holes in the pipe and run the leads of the coils out the end of the pipe that is closest to each.

The movable coil, L2, is wound on a piece of 1½-inch plastic pipe (its outer diameter is about 1¼ inches). The winding is 2 inches long. Like L1 and L3, the actual number of windings of this coil are not critical, as long as the winding is approximately the right length.

## OLD-FASHIONED CRYSTAL RADIO

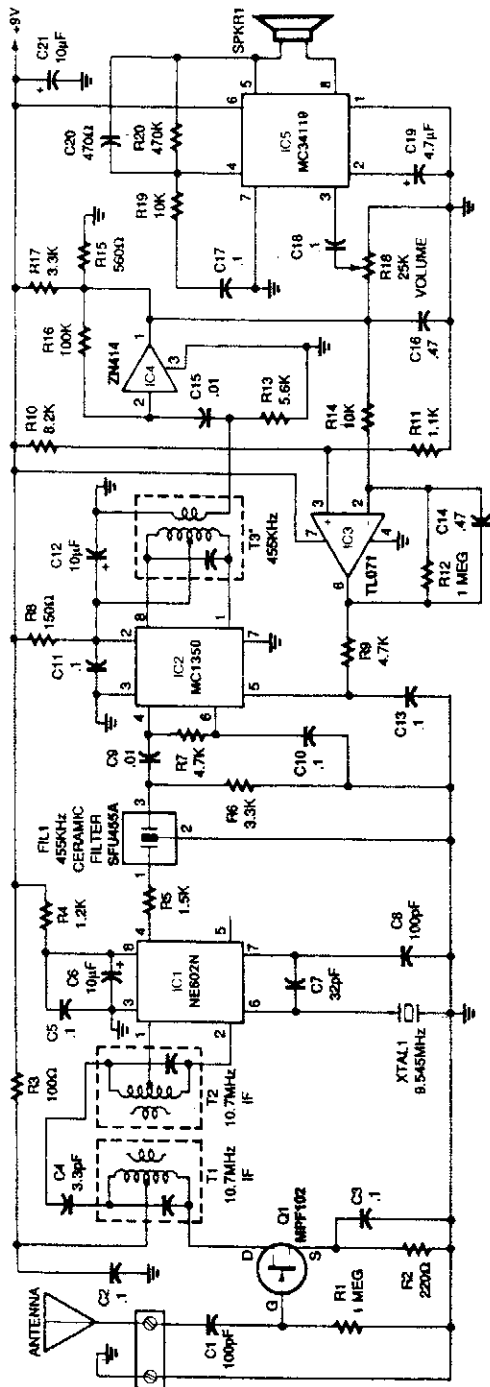


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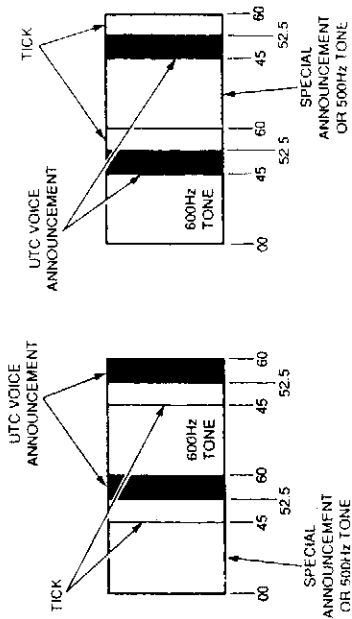
Fig. 76-27

L1 and L2 are wound on 4" diameter 10" form and are 200 turns of #24 wire. PVC pipe can be used.

# WWV RECEIVER



## WWV and WWVH minute signals



### ELECTRONICS NOW

Fig. 76-28

This receiver for 10-MHz WWV signals uses a 10.7-MHz FM receiver IF transformers as front-end components. It is a super-het with a 455-kHz IF frequency. By changing the front-end components 5- or 15-MHz reception could be obtained. A 3- to 6-foot antenna is usually adequate.

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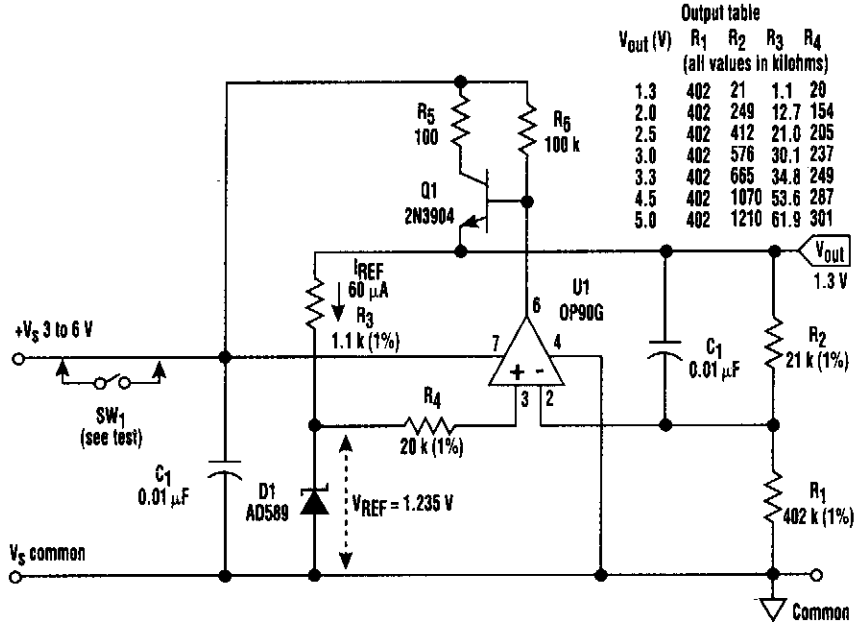
## Reference Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Low-Voltage Reference  
Positive Voltage Reference  
Negative Voltage Reference

## LOW-VOLTAGE REFERENCE

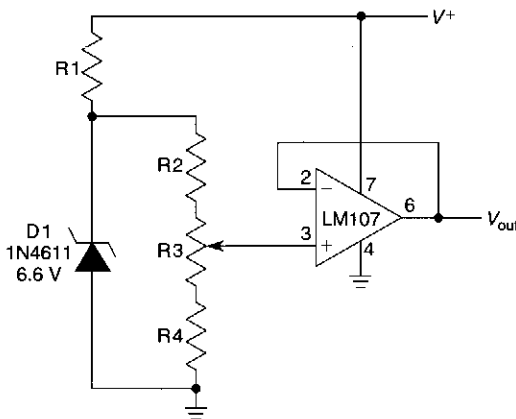


**Fig. 77-1**

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This circuit illustrates a number of techniques that are useful for low-voltage, series-mode, power-efficient references. Intended for output currents of up to 10 mA, this design has an enabled standby current of about 100  $\mu$ A; it can be easily programmed over a wide range of output voltages.

### POSITIVE VOLTAGE REFERENCE

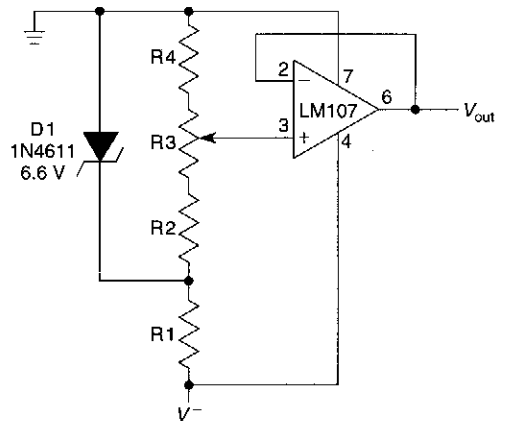


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 77-2**

D1 is used as a reference. R2, R3, and R4 provide desired output voltage to the op-amp voltage follower.

### NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REFERENCE



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 77-3**

D1 is used as a reference. R2, R3, and R4 are voltage dividers to obtain desired output voltage to the op-amp voltage follower.

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## Regulator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- 3.3-V 1-A Surface-Mount Regulator
- Logic Control of 78XX Regulator
- Low-Cost Step-Down Regulator
- Dual-Output Regulator
- Low-Noise Regulator (5 to 3.3 V)
- Reducing Ripple in a Switching Voltage Regulator
- Low-Dropout Three-Terminal Regulators for New Microprocessor Applications
- Low-Dropout Regulator
- Positive Regulator Sinks Current
- 5- to 3.3-V Surface-Mount Switching Regulator

### 3.3-V 1-A SURFACE-MOUNT REGULATOR

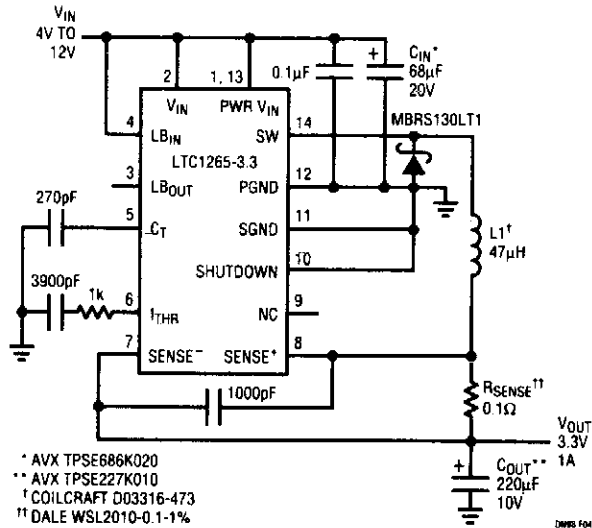


Fig. 78-1

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

This figure shows a typical LTC1265 surface-mount application. It provides 3.3 V at 1 A from an input voltage range of 4 V to 12 V. The peak efficiency approaches 93% at mid-current levels.

### LOGIC CONTROL OF 78XX REGULATOR

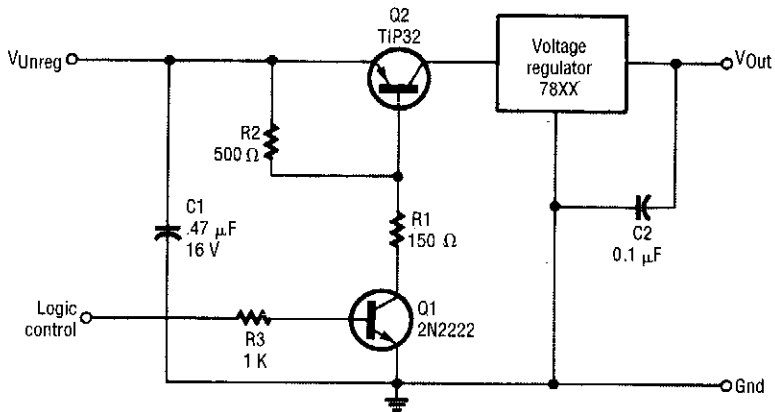
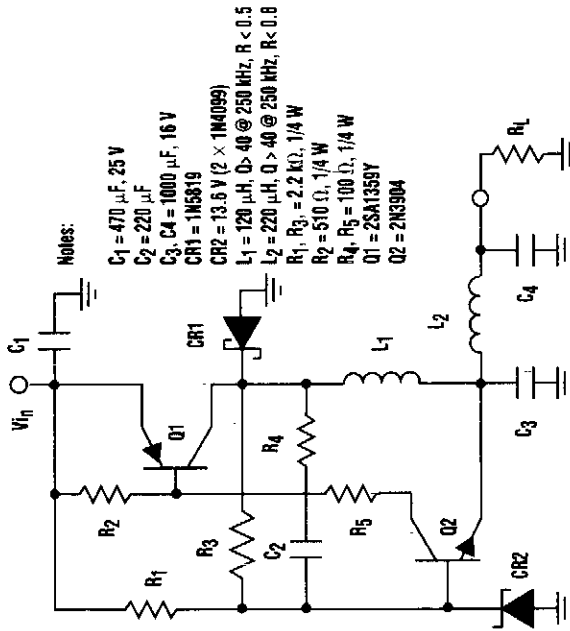


Fig. 78-2

ELECTRONICS NOW

Transistors can be used to control any 78xx series regulator with logic signals. Both transistors are controlled by the logic level present at the base of Q1.

## LOW-COST STEP-DOWN REGULATOR



| Input = 18.0 V, Output taken at C3   |            |        |       |          |  |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------|-------|----------|--|
| Output (V)                           | Load (Ohm) | Ripple |       | Eff. (%) |  |
|                                      |            | (mVpp) | (kHz) |          |  |
| 12.54                                | 1k         | 50     | 4     | 87       |  |
| 12.52                                | 90.9       | 25     | 112   | 86.5     |  |
| 12.49                                | 47.6       | 40     | 58    | 88.9     |  |
| 12.45                                | 24.4       | 70     | 31    | 91.8     |  |
| Input = 18.0 V, Output taken at C4   |            |        |       |          |  |
| Output (V)                           | Load (Ohm) | Ripple |       | Eff. (%) |  |
|                                      |            | (mVpp) | (kHz) |          |  |
| 12.53                                | 1k         | 58     | .08   | 67       |  |
| 12.46                                | 90.9       | 1.5    | —     | 86.5     |  |
| 12.37                                | 47.6       | 1.5    | —     | 88.4     |  |
| 12.20                                | 24.4       | 1.5    | —     | 90.4     |  |
| Output taken at C3, Load = 24.4 Ohms |            |        |       |          |  |
| Input (V)                            | Output (V) | Ripple |       | Eff. (%) |  |
|                                      |            | (mVPP) | (kHz) |          |  |
| 15.0                                 | 12.35      | 73     | 17.8  | 93.4     |  |
| 18.0                                 | 12.45      | 70     | 31.0  | 91.8     |  |
| 21.0                                 | 12.53      | 75     | 43.3  | 90.8     |  |

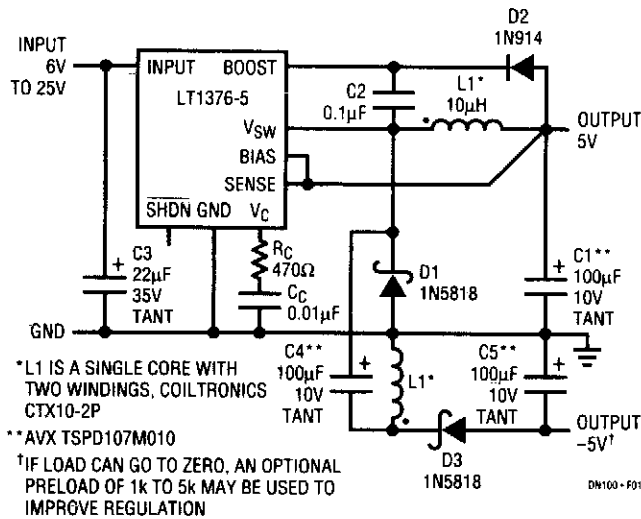
ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 78-3

This inexpensive and efficient discrete step-down regulator is based on a complementary transistor arrangement that uses both positive and negative feedback and is referenced to a Zener diode. Inductor L1 is selected to maintain the switching frequency above the audible range for the intended operating load. The output filter L2 and C4 reduces ripple to less than 10 mV p-p over a large range of loads, with only a slight decrease in efficiency.



## DUAL-OUTPUT REGULATOR



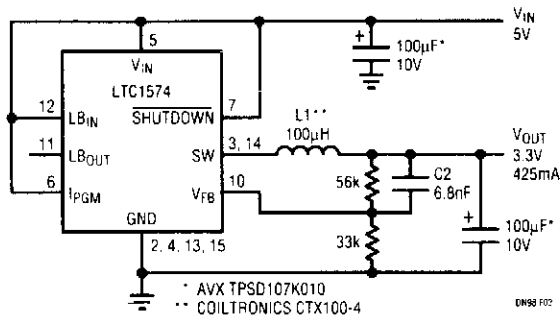
LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 78-4

If load can go to zero, an optional preload of 1 to 5 k $\Omega$  can be used to improve regulation. Many modern circuit designs still need a dual polarity supply. Communication and data acquisition are typical areas where both 5 V and -5 V are needed for some of the IC chips.

The current mode architecture and saturating switch design allow the LT1376 to deliver up to 1.5-A load current from the 8-pin SO package. L1 is a 10- $\mu$ H surface-mount inductor from Coiltronics. The second winding is used to create a negative-output SEPIC (Single-Ended Primary Inductance Converter) topology using D3, C4, C5, and the second half of F1. This converter takes advantage of the fact that the switching signal driving L1 as a positive buck converter is already the correct amplitude for driving a -5-V SEPIC converter. During switch-off time, the voltage across L is equal to the 5-V output plus the forward voltage of D1. An identical voltage is generated in the second winding, which is connected to generate -5 V using D3 and C5. Without C4, this would be a simple flyback winding connection with modest regulation. The addition of C4 creates the SEPIC topology. Note that the voltages swing at both ends of C4 is theoretically identical—even without the capacitor. The undotted end of both windings goes to a zero ac voltage node, so the equal windings will have equal voltages at the opposing ends. Unfortunately, coupling between windings is never perfect, and load regulation at the negative output suffers as a result. The addition of C4 forces the winding potentials to be equal and gives much better regulation.

## LOW-NOISE REGULATOR (5 TO 3.3 V)

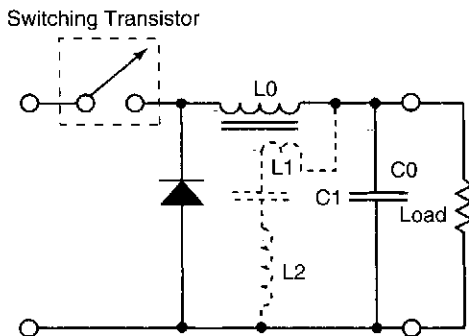


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 78-5

In some applications, it is important not to introduce any switching noise within the audio frequency range. To circumvent this problem, a feed-forward capacitor can be used to shift the noise spectrum up and out of the audio band with C2 being the feed-forward capacitor. The peak-to-peak output ripple is reduced to 30 mV over the entire load range. A toroidal surface mount inductor L1 is chosen for its excellent self-shielding properties.

## REDUCING RIPPLE IN A SWITCHING VOLTAGE REGULATOR



Simple additional circuitry that consists of relatively small components can reduce the output ripple by a factor of about 10. The additional components are indicated by the dashed lines.

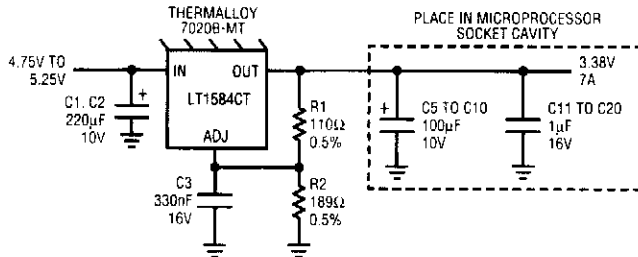
A current opposing the ripple is injected into the filter capacitor. The essence of the present technique is to inject, into this capacitor, a current opposite to that which already flows into this capacitor. A small additional winding, L1, in inductor L0 provides transformer coupling to generate the current that opposes the original ripple current. The circuit from L1 through C0 is completed by a small additional external inductor L2 and coupling capacitor C1.

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Fig. 78-6

## LOW-DROPOUT THREE-TERMINAL REGULATORS FOR NEW MICROPROCESSOR APPLICATIONS

**Recommended LT1584 Adjustable Circuit for  
the Intel P54CT Microprocessor**

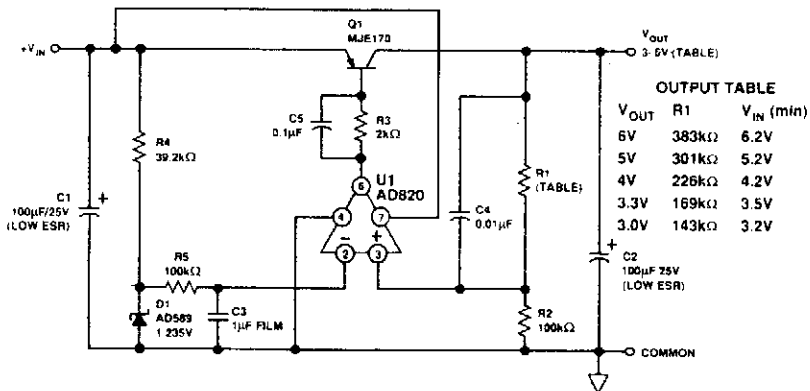


LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

**Fig. 78-7**

The LT1584/LT1585/LTL1587 are high-performance, low-dropout regulators designed to meet the demands of the newest high speed, low voltage microprocessors. These devices are designed to regulate from 5-V supplies to output voltages between 1.25 V and 3.6 V. The LT1584 can provide up to 7 A of current, making it ideal for powerful Pentium processor or similar applications. The LT1585 can supply up to 4 A, while the LT1587 supplies up to 3 A. The excellent transient response capability allows them to maintain good regulation even with significant load steps. Fixed 3.3 V, 3.45 V, 3.6 V and adjustable output voltages are available.

## LOW-DROPOUT REGULATOR

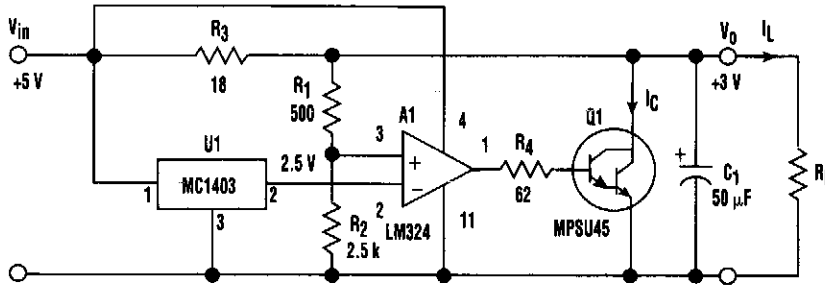


ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 78-8**

This low-dropout reference produces a 4.5-V output from a supply just a few hundred mV greater. With 1-mA dc loading, it maintains a stable 4.5-V output for inputs down to 4.7 V.

## POSITIVE REGULATOR SINKS CURRENT



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 78-9

Generally speaking, conventional positive voltage regulators can only source current; they can't sink it. However, the positive regulator shown breaks that rule because it can perform both functions. The idea is to have the control transistor Q1 in shunt so that the regulator can either source or sink current.

The circuit provides +3-V output from a +5-V supply. U1 is a bandgap reference that supplies a stable +2.5-V reference to the error amplifier (A1). The output voltage ( $V_O$ ) is sampled by the resistor network ( $R_1$  and  $R_2$ ). If  $V_O$  were to increase, A1 will drive the base of Q1 harder, increasing the collector current ( $I_c$ ).

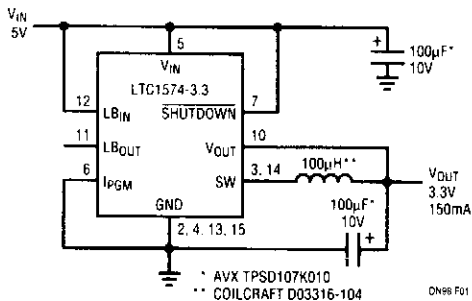
This increases the drop across  $R_3$  and  $V_O$  decreases, thus regulating the output voltage. The output voltage is given by  $V_O = 2.5(1 + R_1/R_2)$ .

Under no load conditions, Q1 draws 110 mA [ $(V_{in} - V_O)/R_3$ ]. With a load connected, and as the regulator begins to source load current ( $I_L$ ),  $I_c$  decreases to keep the drop across  $R_3$  constant.

At  $I_L = 100$  mA, Q1 carries 10 mA. If  $R_L$  is connected to the positive supply higher than  $V_O$ , then the regulator must sink current, and  $I_L$  becomes negative. At  $I_L = -100$  mA, Q1 carries 210 mA while maintaining the output voltage at +3 V. The output voltage will remain constant at +3 V—even if the load current changes sign.

With the proper heatsink on Q1, the regulator can sink more than 300 mA. If a "sink only" option is desired, the dissipation in Q1 can be reduced by using a 180- $\Omega$  resistor for  $R_3$ .  $R_4$  limits the base current drive for Q1 and prevents the output of A1 from being clamped at  $2 V_{BE}$ .

## 5- TO 3.3-V SURFACE-MOUNT SWITCHING REGULATOR



This converter provides 3.3 V at 150 mA from an input voltage of 5 V. Peak inductor current is limited to 340 mA by connecting pin 6 ( $I_{PGM}$ ) to ground. For applications requiring higher output current, connect pin 6 to  $V_{in}$ . Under this condition, the maximum load current is increased to 425 mA.

LINEAR TECHNOLOGY

Fig. 78-10

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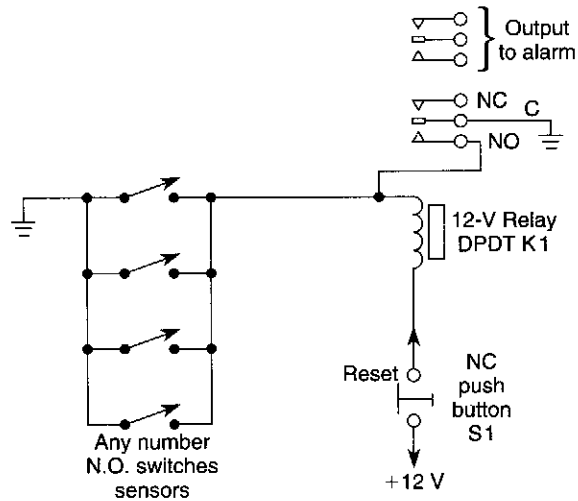
## Relay Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Latching Relay Alarm Circuit  
Momentary Relay Circuit  
Latching Relay Driver for +12-V Loads  
High-Impedance Relay Driver  
Latching Relay Driver  
Transistor Relay Driver  
Fast Turn-On/Delayed-Off Relay Circuit  
Low-Frequency Relay Oscillator

## LATCHING RELAY ALARM CIRCUIT

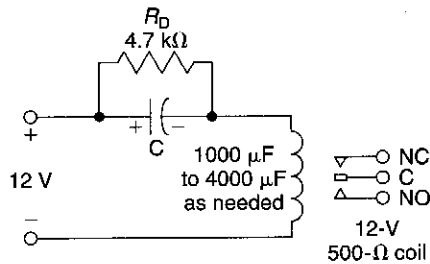


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 79-1

Momentarily closing any sensors will cause K1 to latch. S1 must be depressed to reset circuit. If any sensor is still closed circuit will not reset.

## MOMENTARY RELAY CIRCUIT

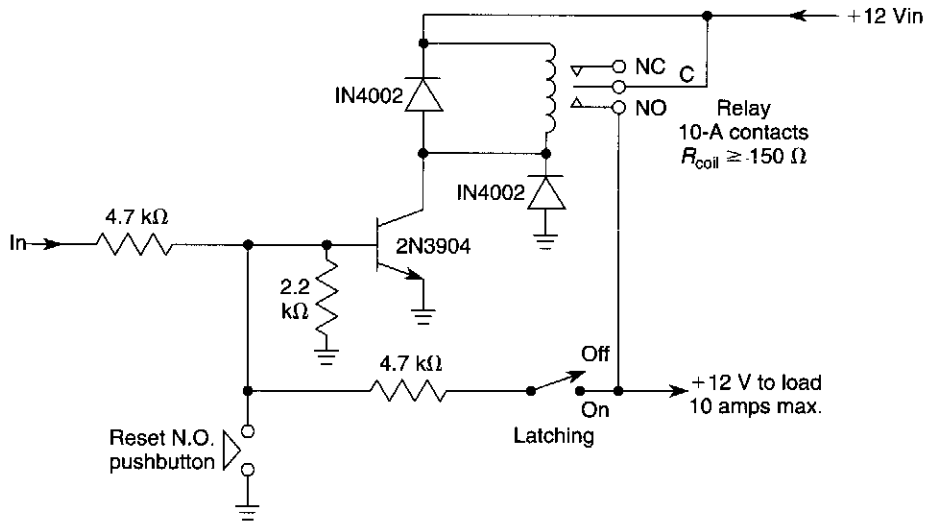


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 79-2

The charging current of a capacitor can be used if a momentary relay-on circuit is needed. Depending on the relay characteristics, C will vary from 1000 to 4000  $\mu\text{F}$  or so for a 1-s hold time if a 500- $\Omega$  relay is used.  $R_D$  discharges capacitor C to ready the circuit for the next operation. The value should be high enough so as not to maintain the relay closure at highest expected supply voltage.

## LATCHING RELAY DRIVER FOR +12-V LOADS

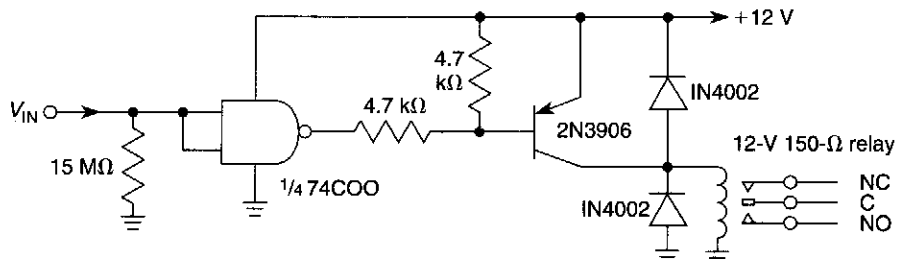


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 79-3

A 4-V signal will cause the relay to pull in when Q1 turns on. Latching is obtained by feedback through a 4.7-k $\Omega$  resistor. A switch is used to select latching or nonlatching operation. A NO pushbutton releases the circuit.

## HIGH-IMPEDANCE RELAY DRIVER



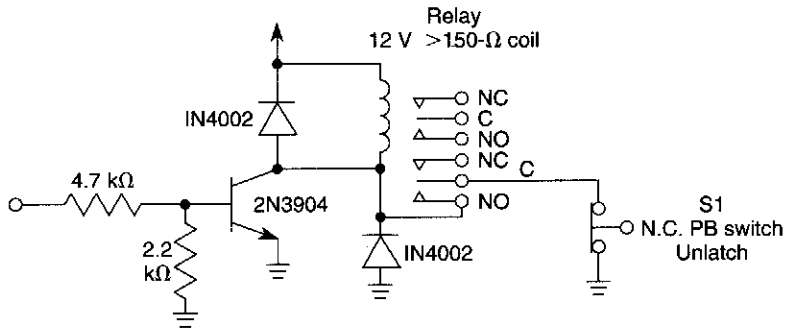
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 79-4

A CMOS gate is used to drive a switching transistor and relay.

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## LATCHING RELAY DRIVER



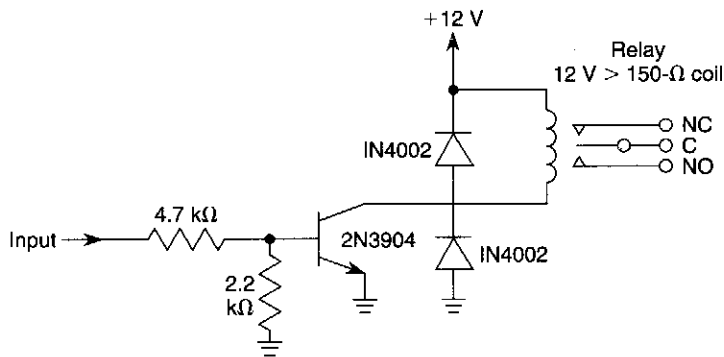
WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 79-5

An input of 4 V or greater will drive this circuit. When the relay pulls in, one pair of contacts is used to latch the relay closed. It will remain closed until S1 is pressed.

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## TRANSISTOR RELAY DRIVER



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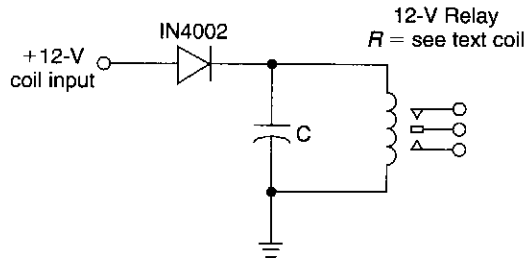
Fig. 79-6

An input of 4 V or greater will drive this relay circuit.

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## FAST TURN-ON/DELAYED-OFF RELAY CIRCUIT

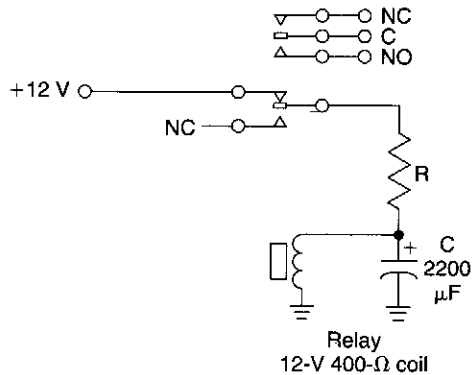


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Fig. 79-7

$C$  is a large capacitor that has a charge time of  $R_{\text{supply}} C$ , assuming  $R_{\text{supply}} < R_{\text{coil}}$ . The discharge time will be  $R_{\text{coil}} C$  neglecting relay coil inductance. With  $C = 10,000 \mu\text{F}$  and  $R_{\text{coil}} = 500 \Omega$ , a release time constant of 5 seconds might be obtained. Many relays will hold in until the coil current decays to 25% of the pull-in current so that the actual time constant depends on the relay holding current.

## LOW-FREQUENCY RELAY OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 79-8

Depending on the value of  $C$  and the resistance of the relay coil, and the difference in pull-in and drop-out voltage, this circuit will oscillate at a low frequency.  $R$  limits inrush current to capacitor  $C$  to a level that the relay contacts can handle. Typically, for a 400- $\Omega$  relay,  $R$  can be 20 to 440 ohms. Flash rate is approximately 1 cycle/second, depending on the relay.

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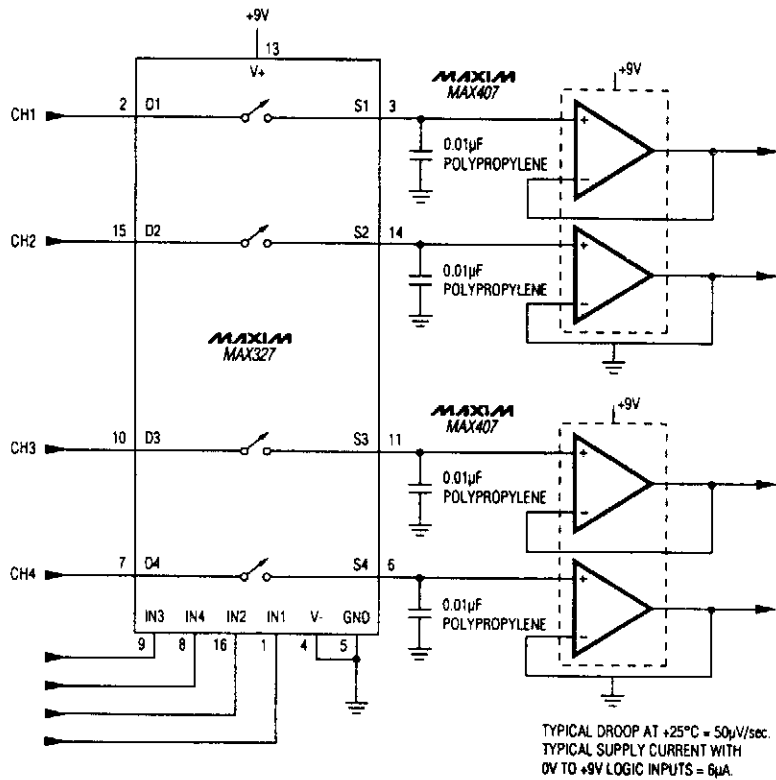
## Sample-and-Hold Circuits

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Micropower 4-Channel Sample-and-Hold Circuit  
Low-Drift Sample and Hold

## MICROPOWER 4-CHANNEL SAMPLE-AND-HOLD CIRCUIT

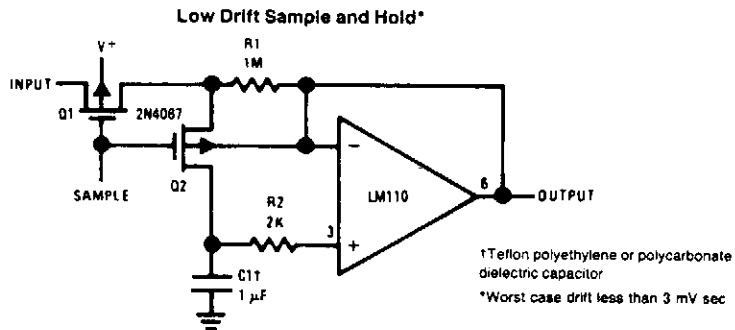


MAXIM

Fig. 80-1

Three Maxim ICs make up this sample-and-hold circuit. The supply current is only 6 µA.

## LOW-DRIFT SAMPLE AND HOLD



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Fig. 80-2

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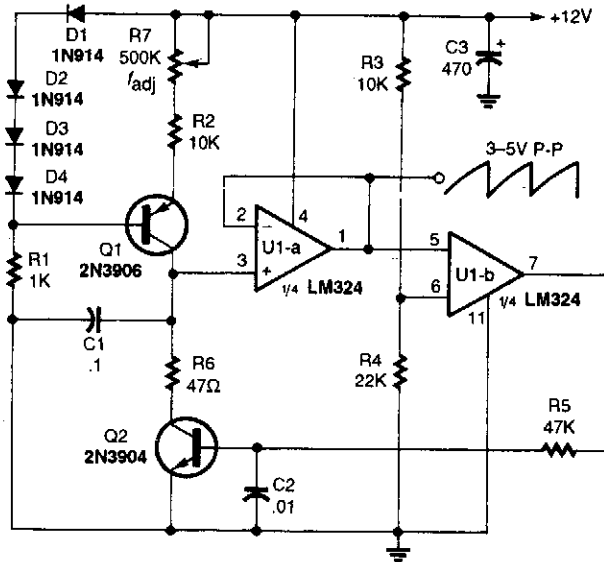
## Sawtooth Generator Circuits

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Op-Amp Linear Sawtooth Generator  
Sawtooth Generator

## OP-AMP LINEAR SAWTOOTH GENERATOR



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Fig. 81-1

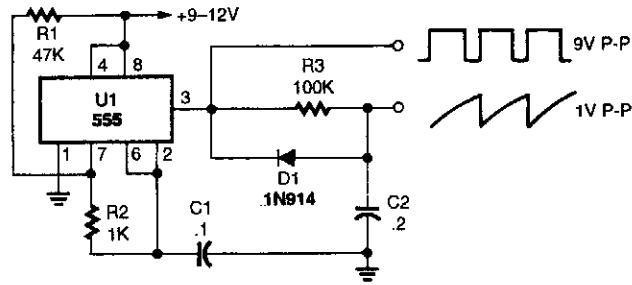
Q1 is connected in a simple constant-current generator circuit. The value of Q1's emitter resistor sets the constant-current level flowing from the transistor's collector to the charging capacitor, C1.

One op amp of an LM324 quad op-amp IC, U1-a, is connected in a voltage-follower circuit. The input impedance on the voltage follower is very high and offers little or no load on the charging circuit. The follower's output is connected to the input of U1-b, which is configured as a voltage comparator. The comparator's other input is tied to a voltage-divider setting the input level to about 8 V.

The output of U1-b at pin 7 switches high when the voltage at its positive input, pin 5, goes above 8 V. That turns on Q2, discharging C1. The sawtooth cycle is repeated over and over as long as power is applied to the circuit.

The sawtooth's frequency is determined by the value of  $C_1$  and the charging current supplied to that capacitor. As the charging current increases, the frequency also increases, and vice versa. To increase the generator's frequency range, decrease the value of  $C_1$ , and to lower the frequency, increase the value of  $C_1$ . The output is about 3 to 5 V.

## SAWTOOTH GENERATOR



POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 81-2

A sawtooth waveform generator circuit using a 555 IC is shown. The IC is connected in an astable oscillator circuit with the majority of the output contained in the positive portion of the cycle. The negative output is a very brief pulse.

Capacitor C2 charges through R3 in a positive direction during the time that the IC's output (at pin 3) is high. When the output goes negative, C2 is rapidly discharged through D1 and the IC's output.

Peak-to-peak sawtooth output is about 1 V. The linearity of this circuit is best when R3 is as large as possible. The oscillator's frequency is about 200 Hz and can be increased by lowering either the value of R<sub>1</sub> or C<sub>1</sub>; to decrease the frequency, increase the values of those components.

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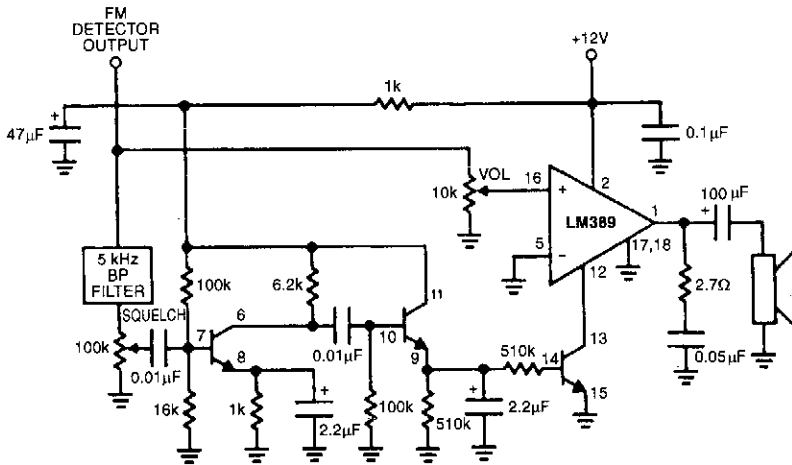
## Scanner Circuits

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FM Scanner Noise Squelch  
Scanner Silencer  
Shortwave Converters for Scanners

## FM SCANNER NOISE SQUELCH

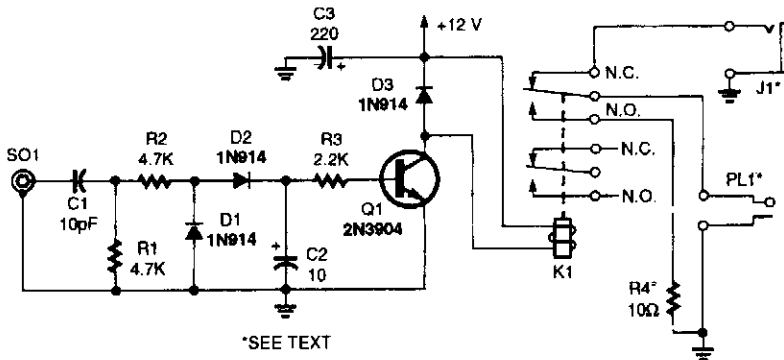


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Fig. 82-1

The LM389 is operated in the cut-off mode with pin 12 grounded via one of the internal transistors. A sample of detected noise is taken through a 5-kHz filter. Upon reception of signal, the detector output quiets, and noise level drops. This increases impedance at pin 12 of the LM389, causing audio to be passed. The three transistors are part of the LM389.

## SCANNER SILENCER



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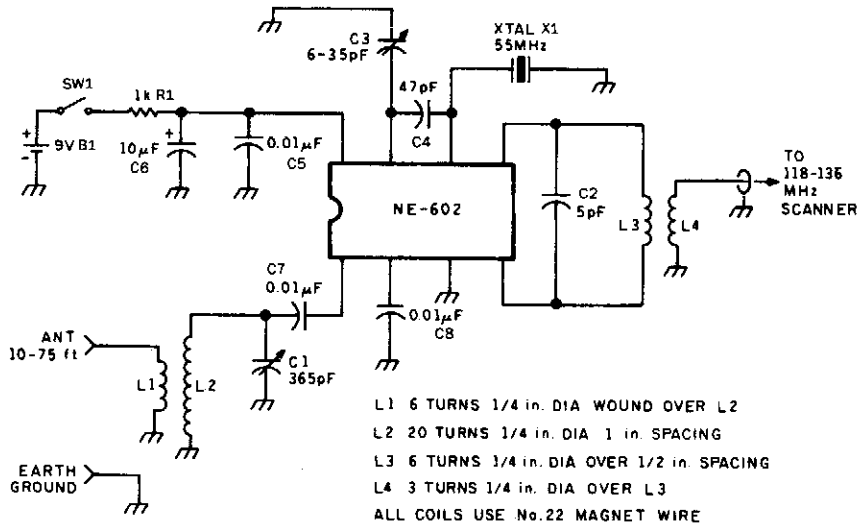
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 82-2

When a scanner is used at amateur radio or CB stations, the scanner sometimes picks up transmitted signal and howls or squeals. When RF is detected, Q1 turns on, energizing K1 and disconnecting the scanner speakers. SO1 is connected to the transmit antenna lead via a tee fitting. C1 is optimum for 5- to 10-W 30-MHz use. For higher power or higher frequencies, reduce C1 to as low as needed. If C1 is so small as to be impractical, R1 can be shunted with a 10- or 22-pF capacitor, as needed.



## SHORTWAVE CONVERTERS FOR SCANNERS



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**Fig. 82-3**

The AM aircraft band at 118 to 136 MHz is used in this converter design as an IF output. The second harmonic of the 55-MHz crystal (110 MHz) mixes with the shortwave input of 8 to 36 MHz. An NE602 IC is used for the mixer. Sensitivity is about 3  $\mu$ V. If desired, a crystal tuning circuit for fine tuning can be obtained using a varactor.

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## Siren, Warbler, and Wailer Circuits

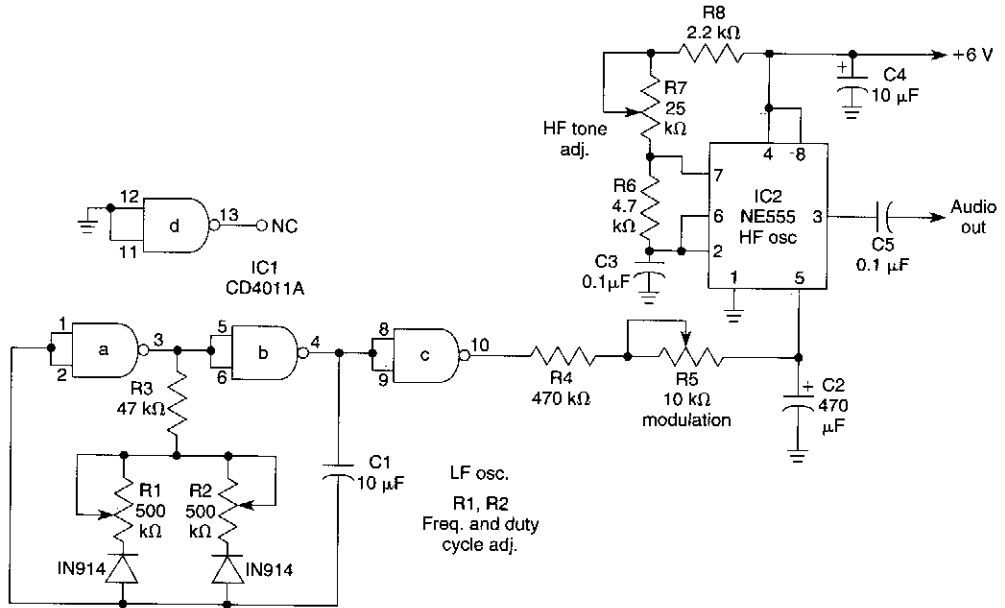
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Fire Siren
- Warble Oscillator
- Electronic Siren
- Wailing Sound Generator
- Two-Tone Siren

## FIRE SIREN

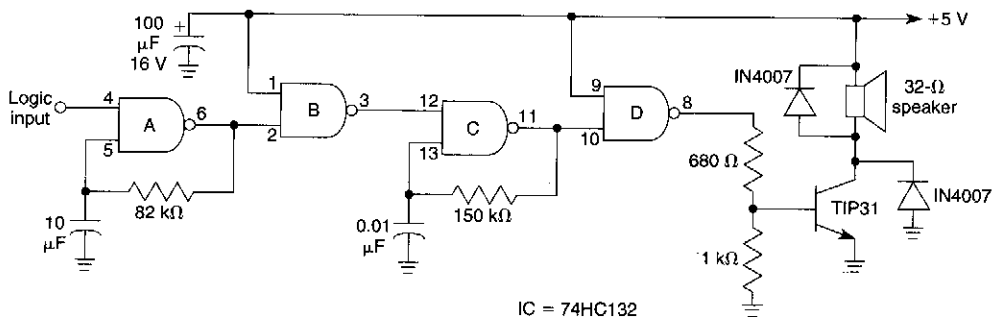


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*Fig. 83-1*

IC1 is an LF oscillator that is variable in attack and decay time with R1 and R2. The LF output modulates HF oscillator IC2. R5 varies the modulation depth. By proper control adjustment, sirens of various types can be simulated.

## WARBLE OSCILLATOR

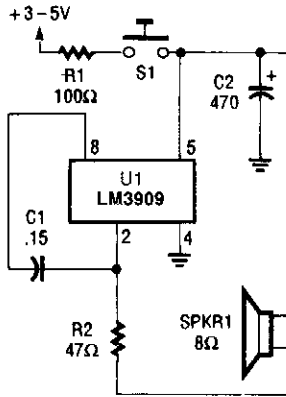


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*Fig. 83-2*

Sections A & B form an oscillator running at 2 Hz, which gates sections C and D, a 1-kHz oscillator. This drives the TIP31 speaker driver.

## ELECTRONIC SIREN



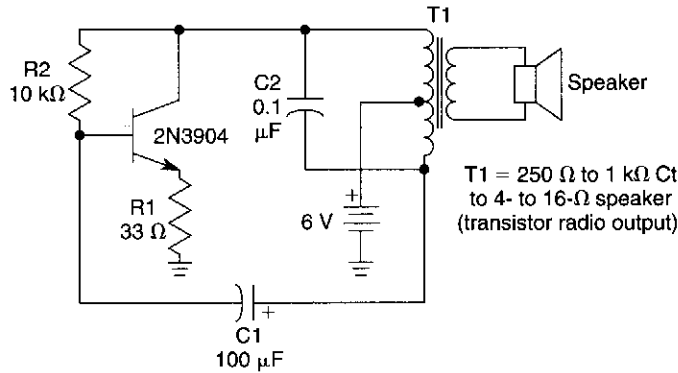
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Fig. 83-3

In this circuit, the LM3909 is used in a simple electronic siren. When S1 is closed, C2 begins to charge rapidly through R1. When the charge on C2 reaches about 1 V, the oscillator starts. As the voltage across C1 increases toward +V, the oscillator's output frequency also increases. Releasing (opening) S1 removes power from the circuit. The oscillator continues to operate, with a decline in output volume and frequency until C1 discharges to about the 1-V level.

Experiment with the siren circuit by selecting different  $R_1/C_2$  combinations to obtain a desired rise and fall output. Change the value of  $C_1$  to vary the oscillator's frequency. Keep the value of  $R_2$  at or above 47  $\Omega$  to protect the IC from drawing too much current.

## WAILING SOUND GENERATOR



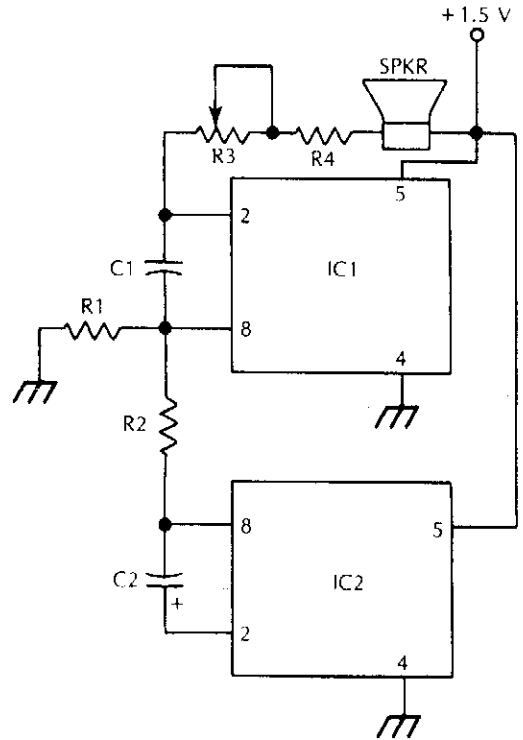
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Fig. 83-4

In this circuit, C2 and T1 determine the tone generated and  $C_1/R_2$  control the blocking rate. The signal produced is an interrupted tone, like a police whistle or toy ray gun, depending on C1 and C2.

## TWO-TONE SIREN

- IC1, IC2    LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator
- SPKR        small 8  $\Omega$  speaker
- C1          0.1  $\mu$ F capacitor
- C2          470  $\mu$ F 6 V electrolytic capacitor
- R1          10 k $\Omega$  1/4 W 5% resistor
- R2          4.7 k $\Omega$  1/4 W 5% resistor
- R3          100  $\Omega$  potentiometer
- R4          33  $\Omega$  1/4 W 5% resistor



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**Fig. 83-5**

IC1 generates the main siren tone while IC2 generates a low-frequency square wave, switching IC1 between two different tones.

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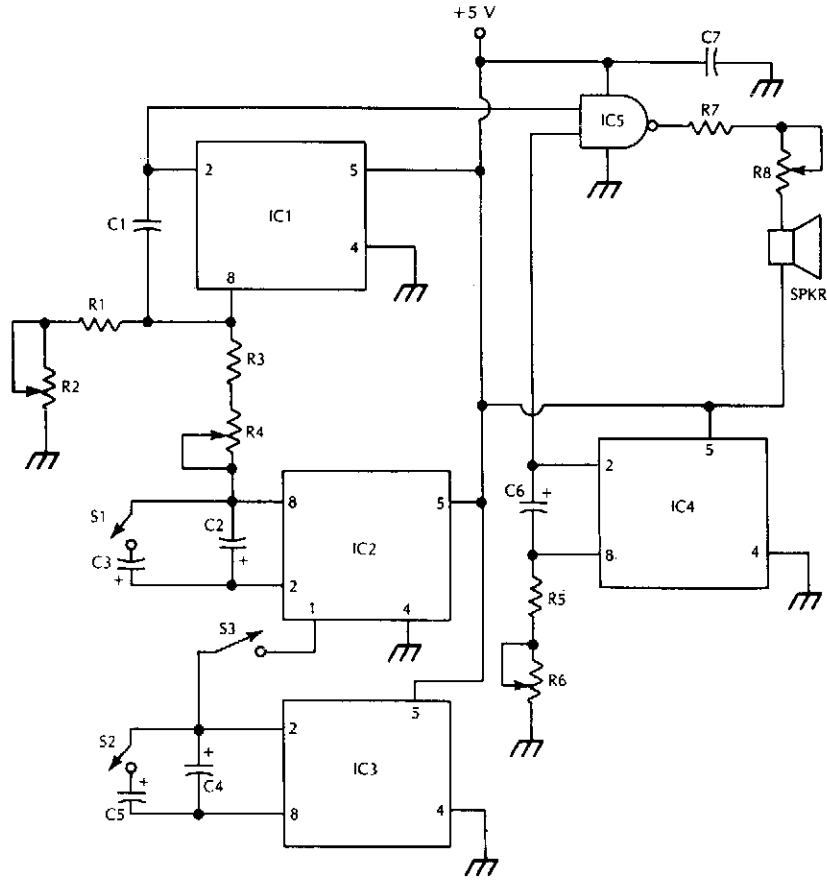
## Sound-Effects Circuits

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Complex Sound-Effect Generator  
Dual-Tone Generator  
Surf Man Sound Generator  
Electronic Whistle  
Bird-Chirp Sound-Effect Generator  
Robotic Chatter Sound Generator  
Electronic Wind Chime  
Gunshot Sound-Effects Generator

## COMPLEX SOUND-EFFECT GENERATOR



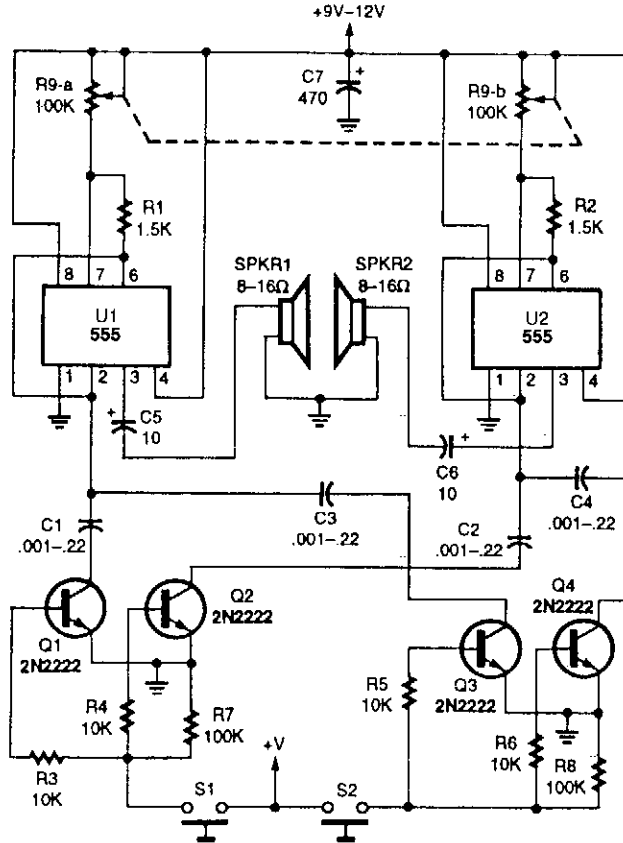
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| IC1-IC4    | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator               | C4         | 47 $\mu\text{F}$ 6 V electrolytic capacitor  |
| IC5        | 7400 quad NAND gate                         | C5         | 33 $\mu\text{F}$ 6 V electrolytic capacitor  |
| SPKR       | small loudspeaker                           | C6         | 4.7 $\mu\text{F}$ 6 V electrolytic capacitor |
| S1, S2, S3 | SPST switch                                 | R1, R3, R5 | 2.2 k $\Omega$ 1/4-W 5% resistor             |
| C1         | 0.1 $\mu\text{F}$ capacitor                 | R2, R4, R6 | 10 k $\Omega$ potentiometer                  |
| C2         | 22 $\mu\text{F}$ 6 V electrolytic capacitor | R7         | 33 $\Omega$ 1/4 W 5% resistor                |
| C3         | 10 $\mu\text{F}$ 6 V electrolytic capacitor | R8         | 100 $\Omega$ potentiometer                   |

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**Fig. 84-1**

This system uses four free running oscillators to produce a wide variety of complex sounds. LF oscillator IC3 modulates IC2, which modulates IC1. The audio from IC1 is combined with a variable frequency from IC4. Switches at various points allow oscillators IC3 to be switched in or out, IC1 and IC2 to be varied in frequency, and IC4 also can be varied in frequency. The circuit is not critical and different arrangements can be tried to produce various sound effects.

## DUAL-TONE GENERATOR



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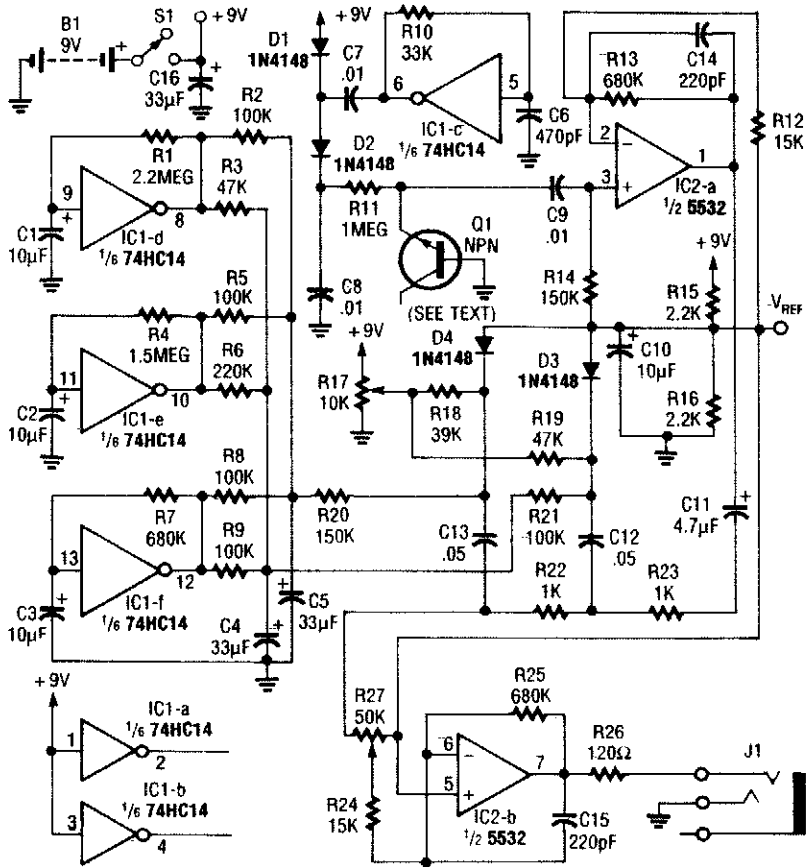
Fig. 84-2

Two 555 oscillator/timers are configured similarly as audio oscillators, with each oscillator feeding a separate speaker.

A dual 100-k $\Omega$  potentiometer is used to tune the two oscillators simultaneously. The oscillators' frequency range is controlled by a dual-transistor switch, which selects the timing capacitor for both oscillators. Although the circuit only shows two range-switching circuits, any number can be added by simply duplicating the two-transistor switching circuit.



## SURF MAN SOUND GENERATOR

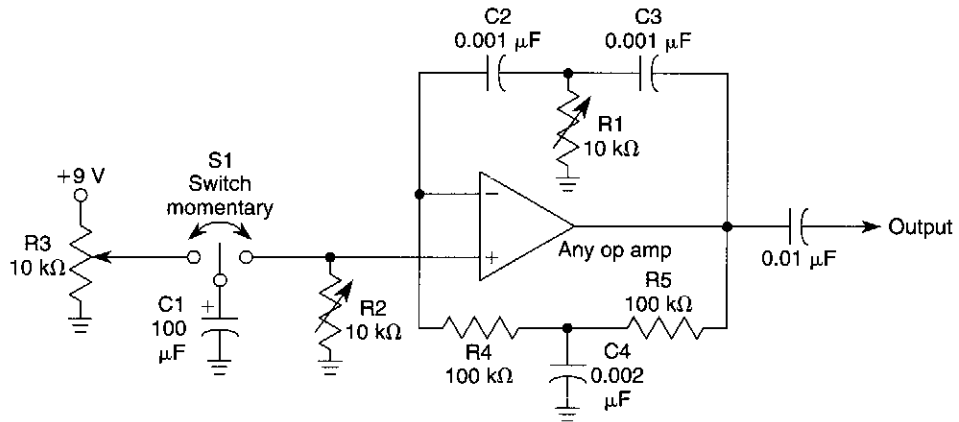


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Fig. 84-3

Three low-frequency oscillators (IC1d, e, f) are used to simulate “wave action” of the surf. Q1 is an emitter-base junction used as a diode noise generator, biased by dc derived from oscillator IC1-c. The noise is fed into two voltage-controlled filters R22, R23, C12, C13, with D3 and D4 as “tuning” elements. The low-frequency oscillator signals randomly vary the filters, therefore, the spectrum of the noise signal fed through them. This simulates the sound of a surf.

## ELECTRONIC WHISTLE

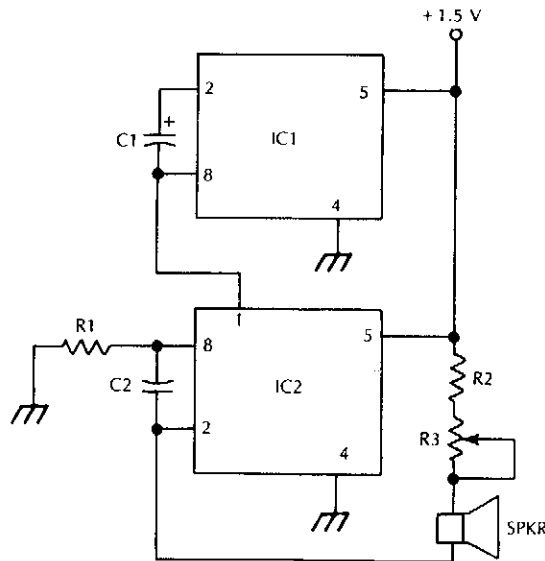


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**Fig. 84-4**

The circuit shown is a twin-tec oscillator. R1 varies the pitch, R2 the duration, and R3 the format (bell, rise & fall time, etc.). Vary R4, R5, C4 and C2, C3 for large shifts in frequency.

## BIRD-CHIRP SOUND-EFFECT GENERATOR



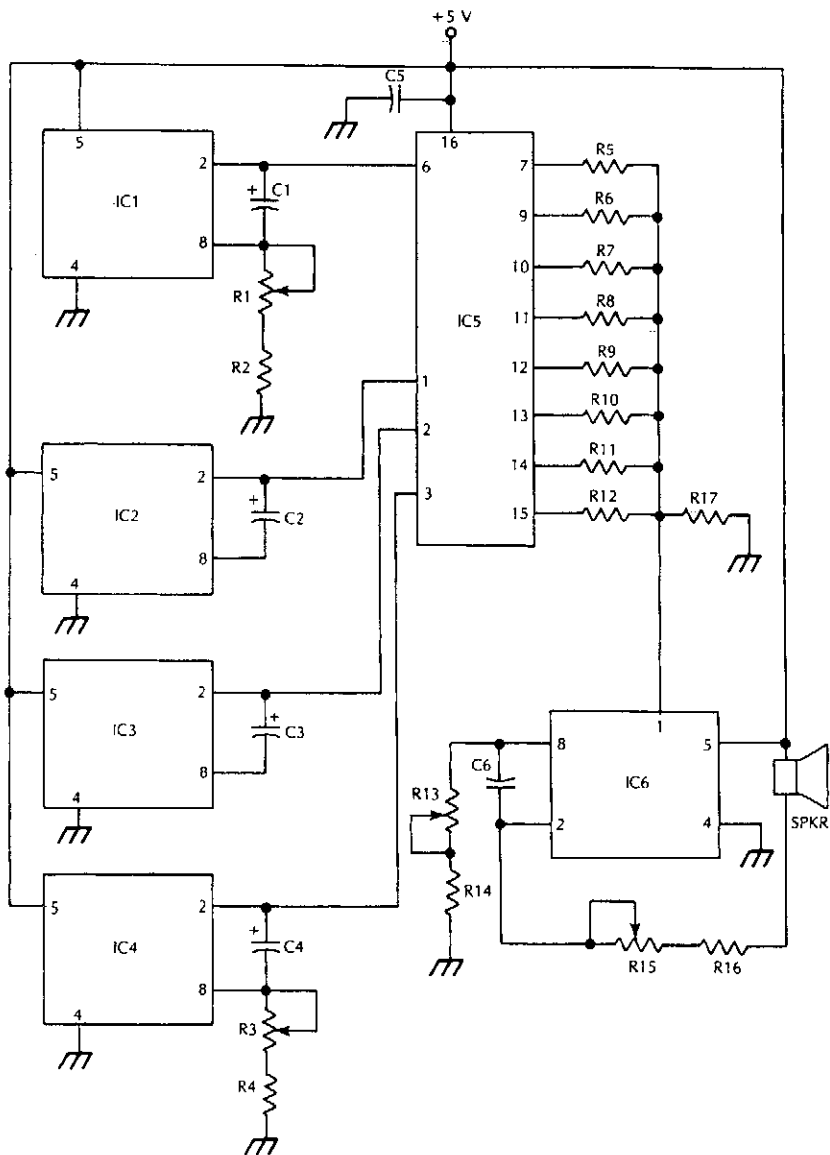
- IC1, IC2 LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator IC
- C1 33 μF 5 V electrolytic capacitor
- C2 0.1 μF capacitor
- R1 15 kΩ ¼ W 5% resistor
- R2 33 Ω ¼ W 5% resistor
- R3 250 Ω potentiometer
- SPKR small 8 Ω speaker

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**Fig. 84-5**

A low-frequency oscillator modulates a higher frequency oscillator, which drives the speaker.

## ROBOTIC CHATTER SOUND GENERATOR

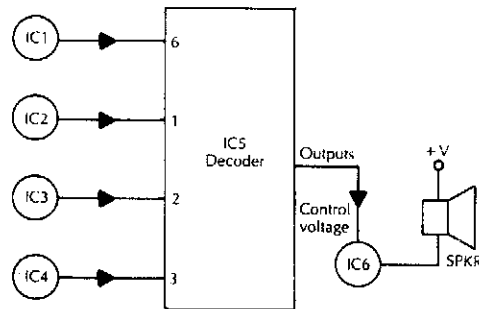


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Fig. 84-6

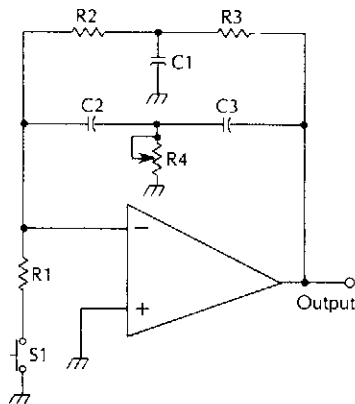
This circuit simulates sound effects of a robot, for toy or novelty applications.

## ROBOTIC CHATTER SOUND GENERATOR (Cont.)



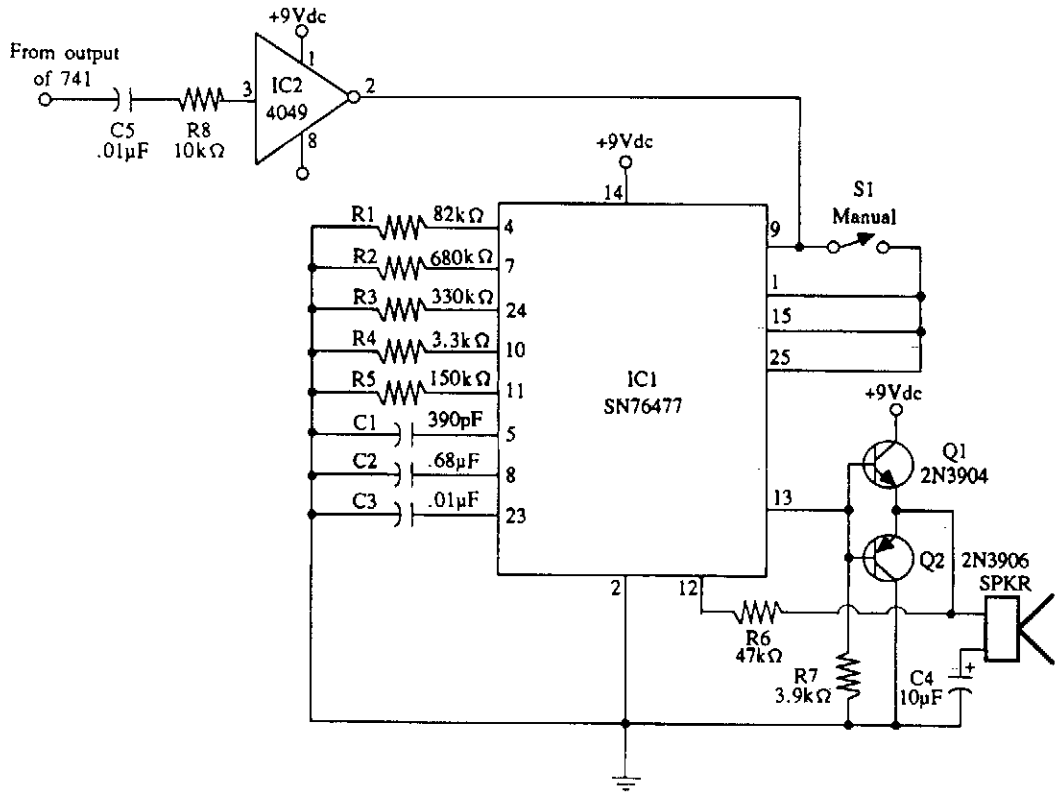
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| IC1–IC4, IC6 | LM3909 LED flasher/oscillator            | R5  | 6.8 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| IC5          | 74LS138 three-line to eight-line decoder | R6  | 10 k $\Omega$ potentiometer     |
| SPKR         | small loudspeaker                        | R7  | 2.2 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| C1           | 10 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor   | R8  | 33 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor   |
| C2           | 22 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor   | R9  | 3.9 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| C3           | 33 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor   | R10 | 4.7 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| C4           | 100 $\mu$ F 10 V electrolytic capacitor  | R11 | 100 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| C5           | 0.01 $\mu$ F capacitor                   | R12 | 470 k $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor  |
| C6           | 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor                    | R15 | 100 $\Omega$ potentiometer      |
| R1, R3, R14  | 10 k $\Omega$ potentiometer              | R16 | 33 $\Omega$ ¼ W 5% resistor     |
| R2, R4, R13  | 3.3 k $\Omega$ ¼ W-5% resistor           | R17 | 1 M $\Omega$ ¼ W fixed resistor |

## ELECTRONIC WIND CHIME



The value of  $R_4$  controls the damping or decay time of the feedback circuit (a twin Tee oscillator). When  $S_1$  is closed, the circuit breaks into oscillation. When  $S_1$  is opened, the circuit stops oscillating generating a decaying tone like a bell. The frequency is approximately  $\frac{1}{2RC}$ .  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ , and  $C_3$  are typically in the 0.01- $\mu$ F range.

## GUNSHOT SOUND-EFFECTS GENERATOR



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Fig. 84-8

Gunshot sound-effects generator built around a Texas Instruments SN76477 sound chip. An input pulse causes IC1 to generate a gunshot sound.

# 85

## Square-Wave Generator Circuits

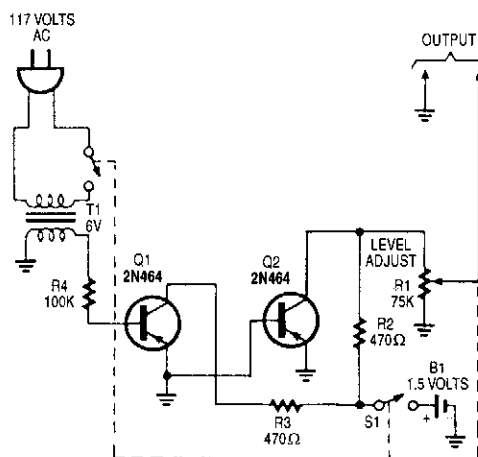
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Square-Wave Generator

Sharp Square Waveforms from Multivibrator

## SQUARE-WAVE GENERATOR

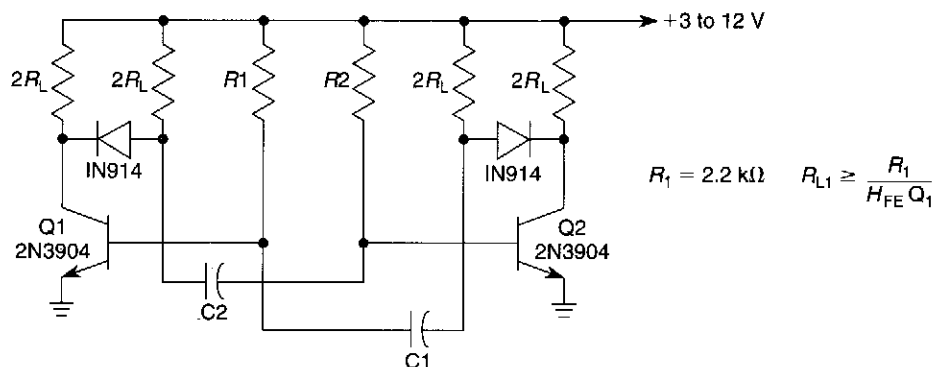


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Fig. 85-1

A 60-Hz waveform from T1 drives an audio amplifier to clipping. Output is 60 Hz with about 0- to 1.4-V p-p amplitude.

## SHARP SQUARE WAVEFORMS FROM MULTIVIBRATOR



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Fig. 85-2

By using diodes as shown, the loading effect on the collector of the transistors caused by the timing capacitors can be avoided. As the collector of the transistors rises toward  $V_{CC}$ , the diode disconnects the timing capacitors.

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## Staircase Generator Circuits

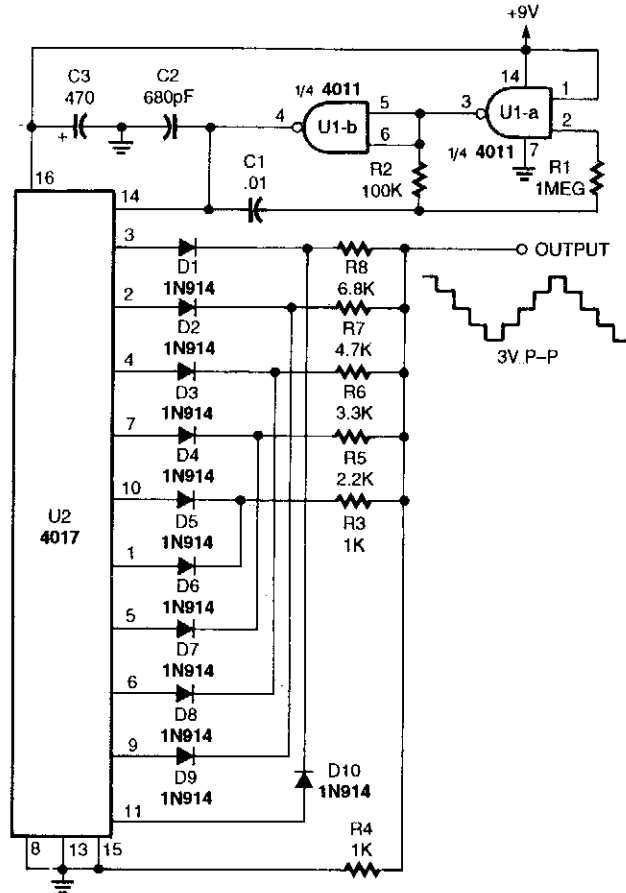
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Stepped Triangle Waveform Generator  
Video Staircase Generator  
Free-Running Staircase Wave Generator  
Up/Down Staircase Wave Generator



## STEPPED TRIANGLE WAVEFORM GENERATOR



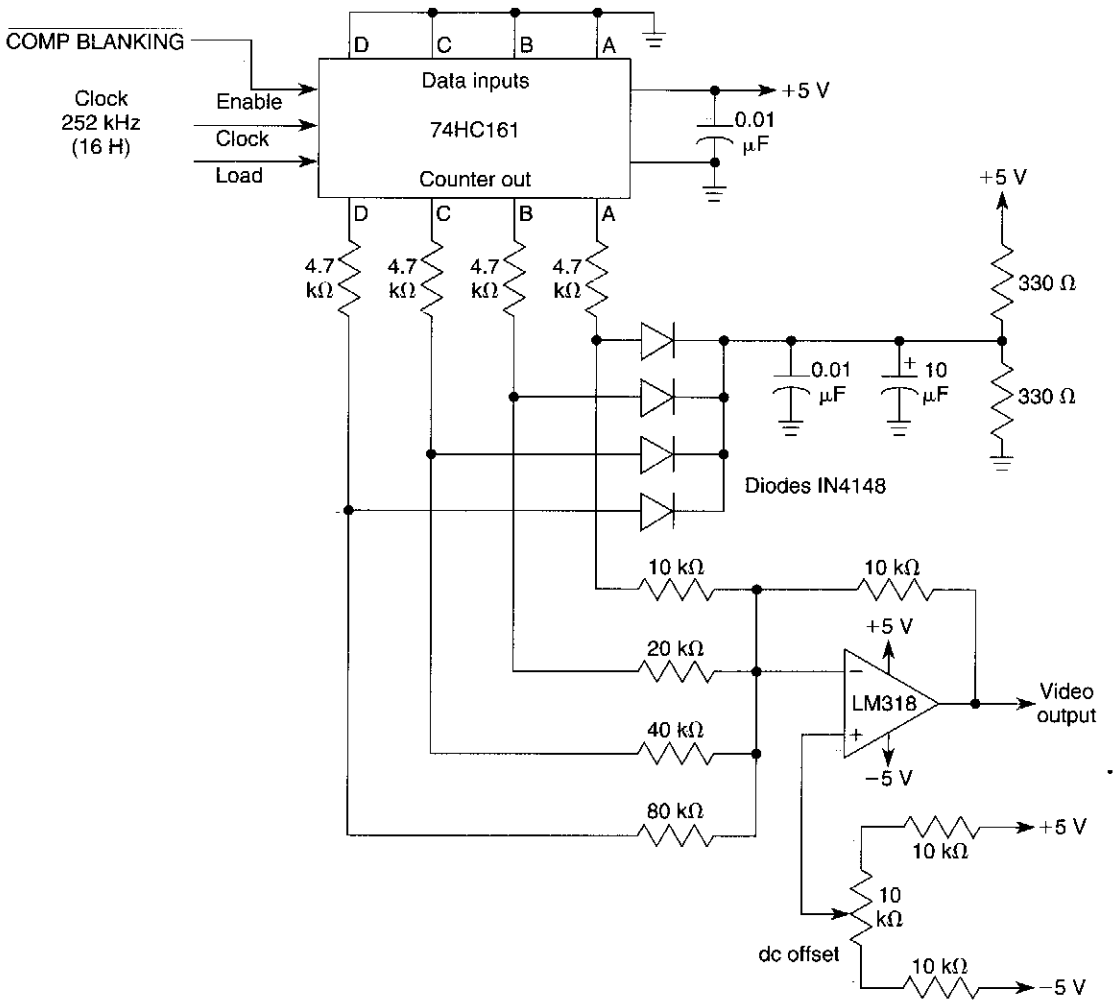
POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 86-1

Two gates of a 4011 quad two-input NAND gate (U1) are connected in a pulse generator circuit. The square output at pin 4 of U1-b, connects to the clock input, pin 14, of a 4017 decade counter IC (U2). For each input clock pulse, the 4017 takes a single step. Because the 4017 counter is set up to count ten and then repeat the count, the stepped output frequency will only be  $\frac{1}{10}$  of the clock frequency. For a 100-Hz output, the clock generator must operate at 1 kHz.

The 4017's positive output pulses begin at pin 3 and progress to pin 11 in a serial manner. The first output pulse, at pin 3, passes through D1 and R8 and appears across R4 to produce the first step up the triangle. The second pulse is routed through D2 and R7 to produce the second step. The outputs at pins 10 and 1 form the top of the waveform and outputs at pins 5, 6, 9, and 11 produce the down steps.

## VIDEO STAIRCASE GENERATOR

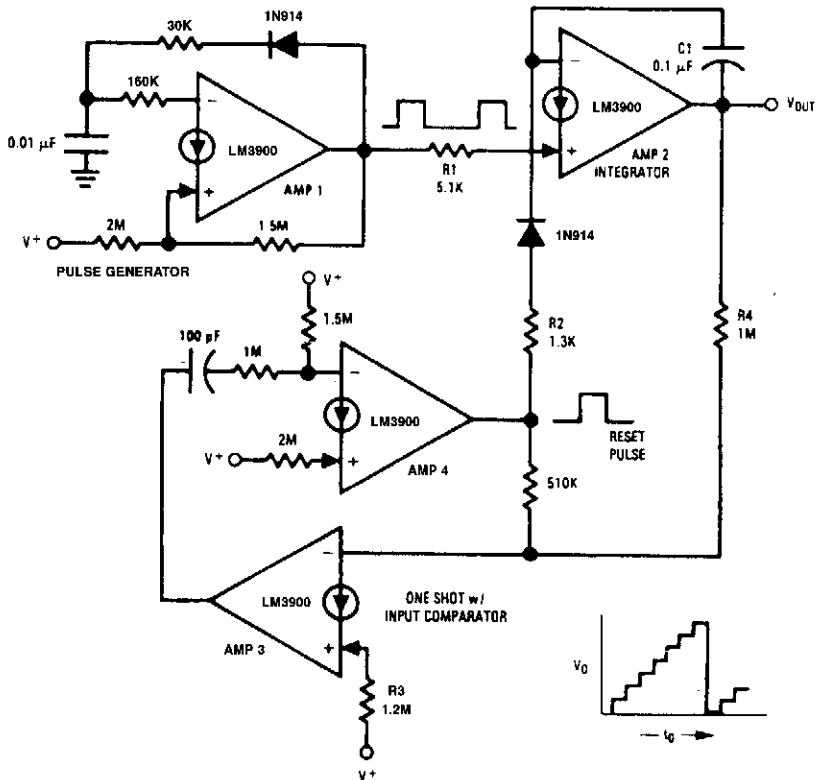


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 86-2

Using a 74HC161 counter and a simple D-A converter using an op amp and resistor network, a very simple video staircase generator for gray-scale generation (12 bars) can be obtained. The output is clean and mostly free of "glitches."

## FREE-RUNNING STAIRCASE WAVE GENERATOR

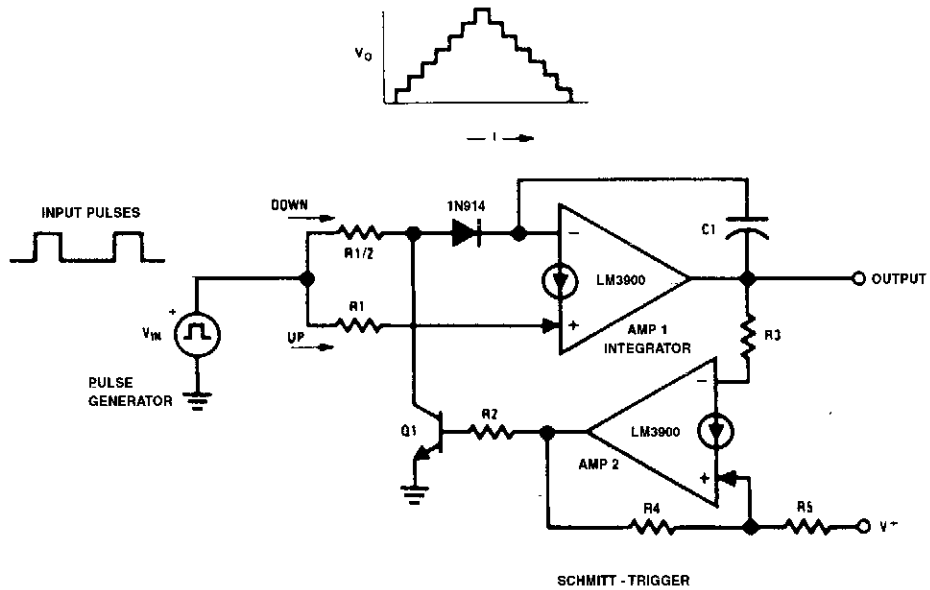


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

Fig. 86-3

This free-running staircase generator uses all four of the amplifiers, which are available in one LM3900 package. Amp 1 provides the input pulses that “pump up” the staircase via resistor  $R1$ . Amp 2 does the integrate and hold function and also supplies the output staircase waveform. Amps 3 and 4 provide both a compare and a one-shot multivibrator function. Resistor  $R4$  is used to sample the staircase output voltage and to compare it with the power supply voltage ( $V+$ ) via  $R3$ . When the output exceeds approximately 80% of  $V+$  the connection of Amps 3 and 4 causes a  $100\text{-}\mu\text{s}$  reset pulse to be generated. This is coupled to the integrator (AMP2) via  $R2$  and causes the staircase output voltage to fall to approximately 0 V. The next pulse out of Amp 1 then starts a new stepping cycle.

## UP/DOWN STAIRCASE WAVE GENERATOR



NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

**Fig. 86-4**

This staircase waveform first steps up and then steps down by the circuit shown. An input pulse generator provides the pulses that cause the output to step up or down, depending on the conduction of the clamp transistor, Q1. When this is ON, the "down" current pulse is diverted to ground and the staircase then steps "up." When the upper voltage trip point of Amp 2 is reached, Q1 goes OFF and as a result of the smaller "down" input resistor (one-half the value of the "up" resistor, R1), the staircase steps "down" to the low-voltage trip point of Amp 2. The output voltage, therefore, steps up and down between the trip voltages of the Schmitt Trigger.

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## Stepper Motor Circuits

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Stepper Motor Pulse Generator  
Stepper Motor as Shaft Encoder  
Stepper Motor Encoder Circuit

## STEPPER MOTOR PULSE GENERATOR

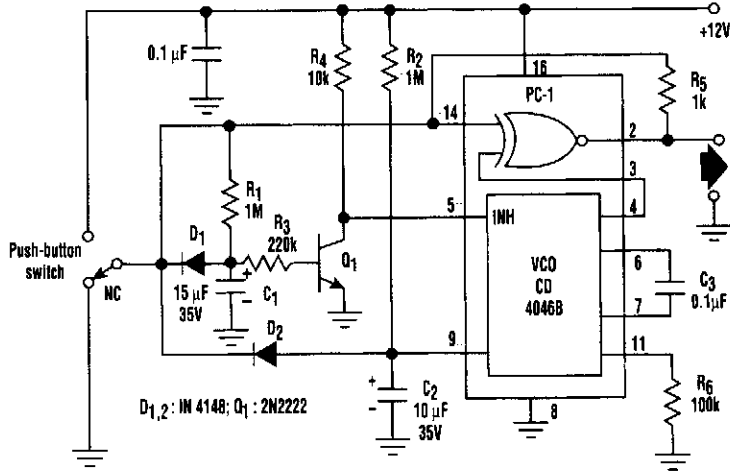


Fig. 87-1

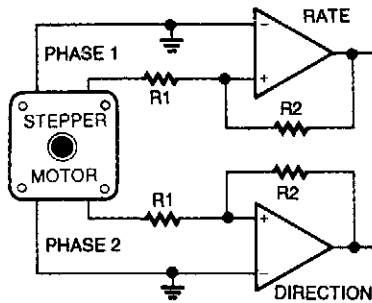
### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

When the switch is in its normally closed (NC) position, capacitors C1 and C2 are held discharged by diodes D1 and D2. Switching off transistor Q1 inhibits the voltage-controlled oscillator of the PLL. The two inputs and, hence, the output of the EX-OR gate (phase comparator 1) of the PLL remain at the logic 0 level.

When the pushbutton is pressed, C1 and C2 are allowed to charge via resistors R1 and R2. The VCO is enabled only after a time delay ( $\approx 0.5$  second) set by R1, R3, and C1. During this delay period, the EX-OR gate output follows the logic level at the switch output. As a result, one-shot pulses can be generated by pressing the pushbutton, then releasing it within 0.5 second. R5 provides the switch-debouncing function.

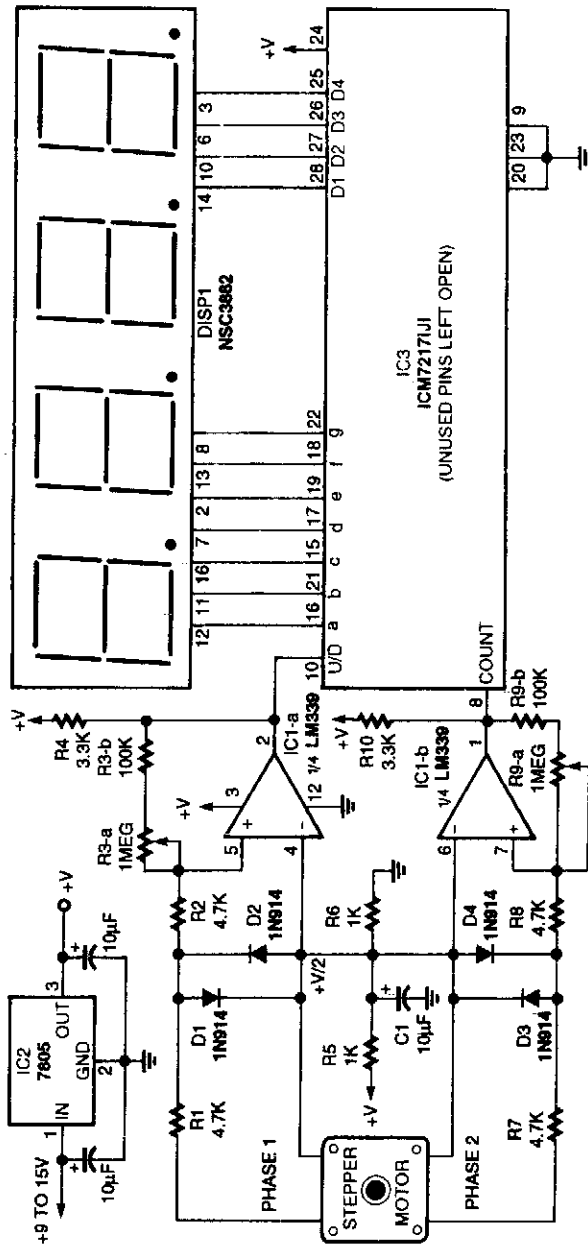
If the pushbutton is pressed for more than 0.5 second, the VCO is enabled. The rising voltage at the control input (pin 9) causes a linear increase in VCO frequency and thus accelerates the stepper motor. Releasing the pushbutton discharges C1 and C2 and inhibits the VCO.

## STEPPER MOTOR AS SHAFT ENCODER



To use a stepper as a shaft encoder, the output signals must be converted to square waves with a pair of voltage comparators.

## STEPPER MOTOR ENCODER CIRCUIT



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Fig. 87-3

This circuit translates shaft rotation and direction to a readout on an LED display. A stepper motor is used as an encoder.

## Switching Circuits

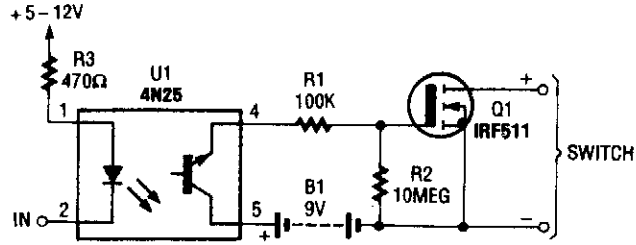
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|  |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Isolated Switch                                | Pin Diode Switch                 |
| Analog Switched Inverter                       | Transceiver T/R Switch           |
| Analog Switch Circuit                          | Series/Shunt Pin-Diode RF Switch |
| Low Output Impedance Multiplexer               | Auto-Off Power Switch            |
| Op-Amp and Analog Switch RON Compensator       | Switch-On Delay Circuit          |
| Oscillator Triggered Switch                    | HEXFET Switch Circuits           |
| Basic Zero-Crossing Switch Circuit             | Alternating On/Off Control       |
| Analog Switch                                  | Audio-Controlled Switch          |
| Shunt Pin-Diode Switch                         | Switch Debouncers                |
| Receiver Bandswitching                         | Simple Switch Debouncer          |
| Resistor Pin-Diode Switch                      | Analog Switch Circuit            |
| Digitally Controlled One-of-Four Analog Switch |                                  |



## ISOLATED SWITCH

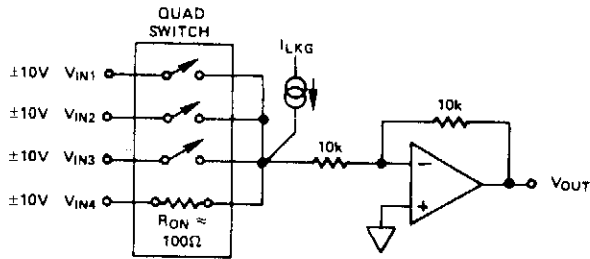


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Fig. 88-1

This dc-controlled switch uses an optoisolator/coupler, U1, to electrically isolate the input signal from the output control device.

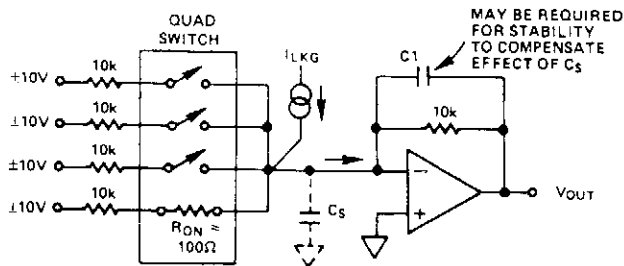
## ANALOG SWITCHED INVERTER



ANALOG DEVICES

Fig. 88-2

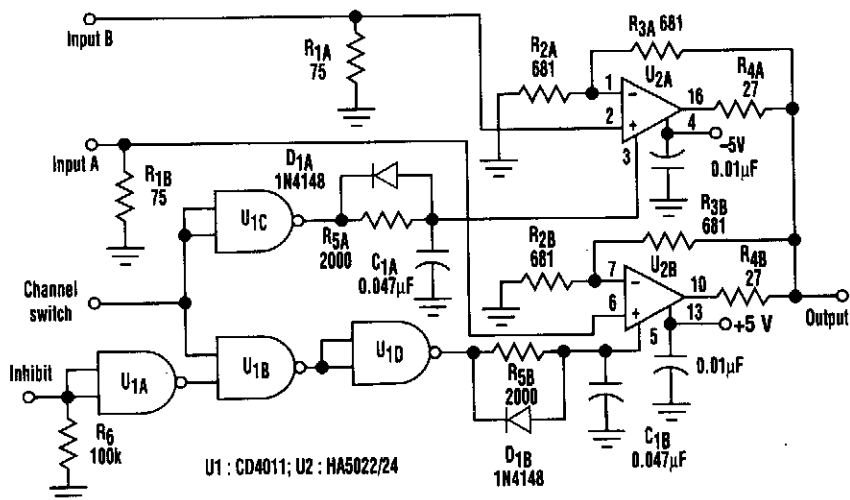
## ANALOG SWITCH CIRCUIT



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Fig. 88-3

## LOW OUTPUT IMPEDANCE MULTIPLEXER

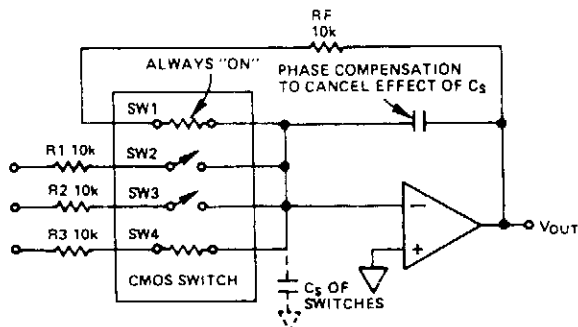


**Fig. 88-4**

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Both inputs are terminated in their characteristic impedance; 75  $\Omega$  is typical for video applications. Because the output cables usually are terminated in their characteristic impedance, the gain is 0.5. Consequently, amplifiers U2A and U2B are configured in a gain of +2 to set the circuit gain at 1.  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  determine the amplifier gain; if a different gain is desired,  $R_2$  should be changed according to the equation  $G = (1 + R_3/R_2)$ .  $R_5$ , LCL1, and D1 make up an asymmetrical charge/discharge time circuit that configures U1 as a break-before-make switch to prevent both amplifiers from being active simultaneously. The multiplexer transition time is approximately 15  $\mu\text{s}$  with the component values shown.

## OP-AMP AND ANALOG SWITCH RON COMPENSATOR

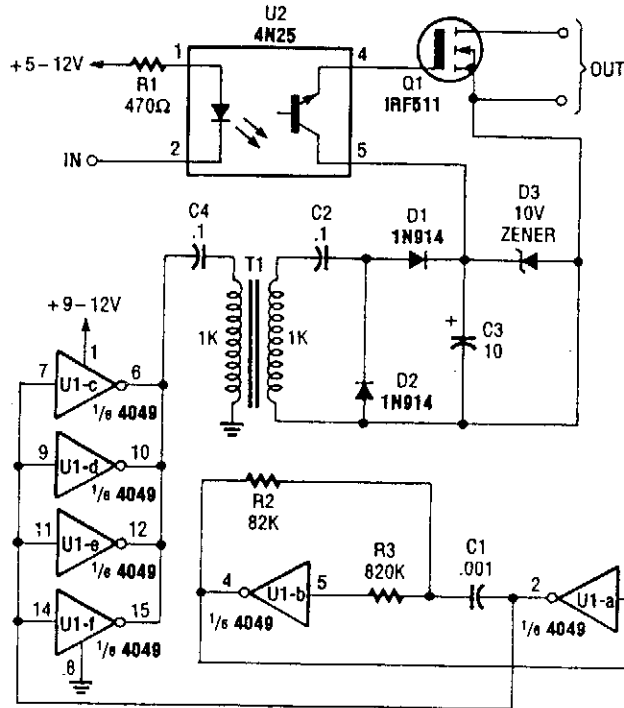


**Fig. 88-5**

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This switch is in series with feedback resistor to compensate gain.

## OSCILLATOR TRIGGERED SWITCH

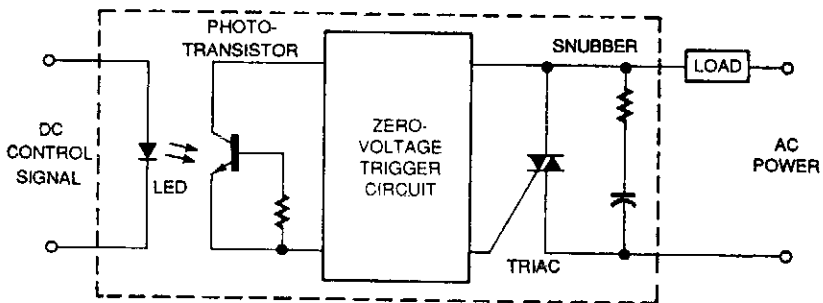


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 88-6

In this circuit (the oscillator-triggered switch), the HEXFET's base bias is provided by a signal generated by an astable oscillator.

## BASIC ZERO-CROSSING SWITCH CIRCUIT

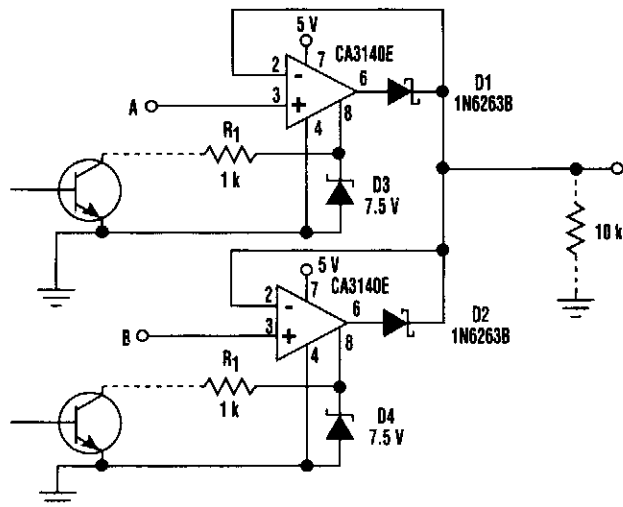


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Fig. 88-7

Here is the schematic of a solid-state ac relay with zero-crossing. The triac permits the relay to switch to ac directly.

## ANALOG SWITCH



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 88-8**

This design takes advantage of the strobed output stage of a CA3140 amplifier. With the strobing capability, the circuit's output voltage can be set to either of the input voltages by grounding one of the control inputs, either A or B.

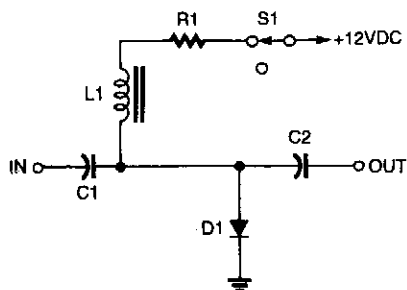
When the strobe input at pin 8 is taken below 1 V, that amplifier is disabled. The remaining amplifier then acts as a unity-gain high-impedance buffer.

The 10-k $\Omega$  output resistor enables the output voltage to swing down to 20 mV from ground. The Zener-diode clamps and associated resistors connected at the strobe inputs can be omitted for the lowest-cost applications. However, experience has shown that they allow the amplifiers to shrug off the effect of high transient voltages.

The circuit is particularly suited to 8-bit microcontroller applications, where the strobe inputs can be driven directly from two open-collector output ports under software control.

The use of Schottky diodes for D1 and D2 makes possible an output swing of 2.5 V when the circuit is powered from a 5-V supply.

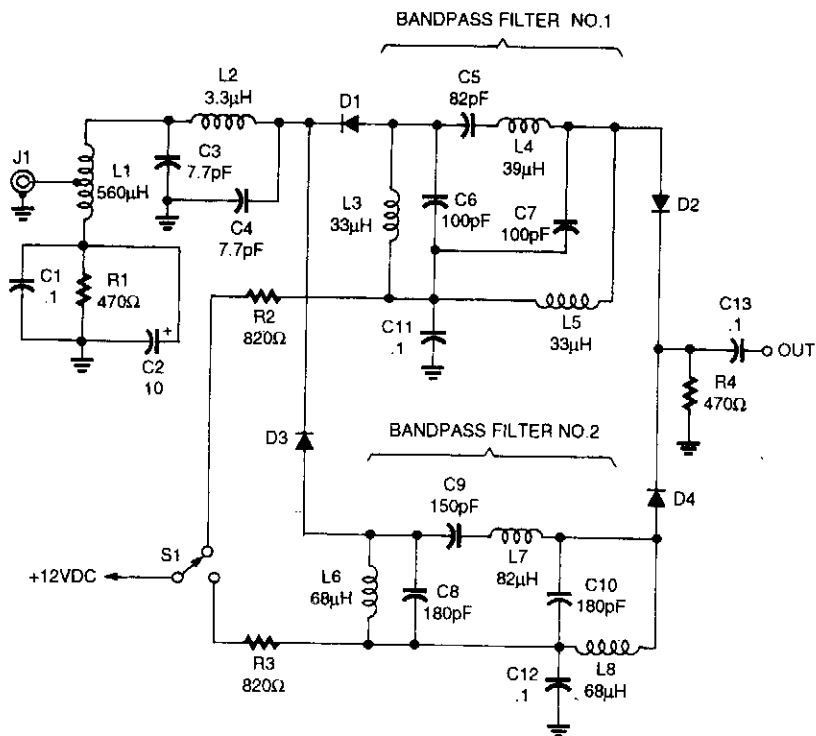
## SHUNT PIN-DIODE SWITCH



This PIN-diode switching circuit directs signals to ground when D1 is forward-biased. R1 is typically 470  $\Omega$  to 2.2 k $\Omega$ .  $C_1 = C_2 = 0.1 \mu\text{F}$ .

**Fig. 88-9**

## RECEIVER BANDSWITCHING

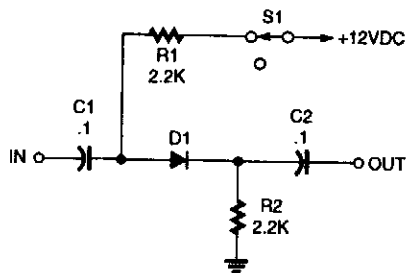


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Fig. 88-10

Eight-band receiver front-end selection can be accomplished by using PIN diode switches.

## RESISTOR PIN-DIODE SWITCH

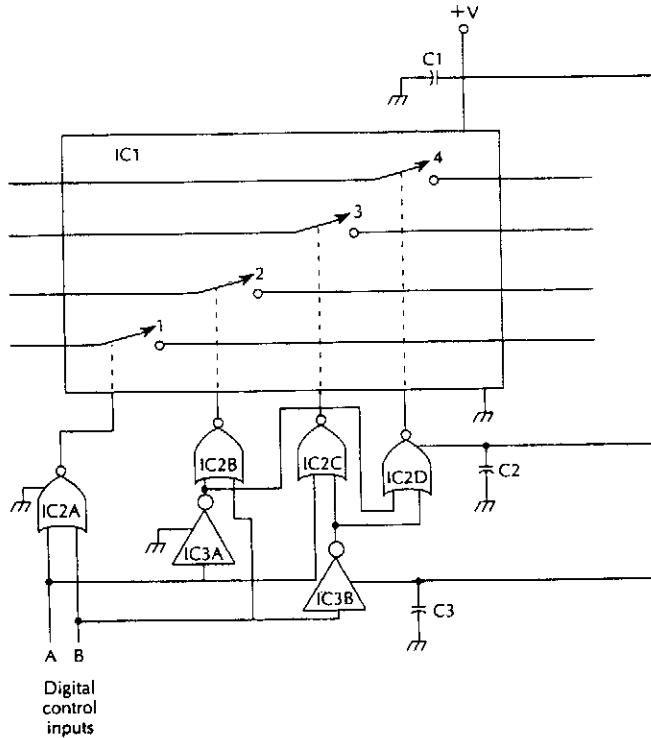


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Fig. 88-11

This circuit uses resistors instead of RF chokes to keep costs low. The values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  should be no lower than about 1 k $\Omega$  to minimize loss.

## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED ONE-OF-FOUR ANALOG SWITCH

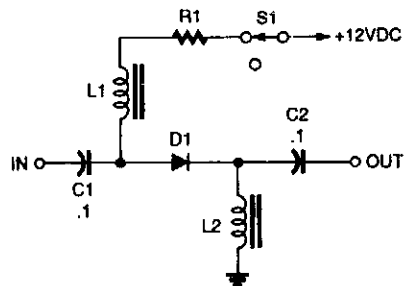


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*Fig. 88-12*

IC1 = CD4066  
 IC2 = CD4001  
 IC3 = CD4049  
 All capacitors = 0.1  $\mu$ F

## PIN DIODE SWITCH

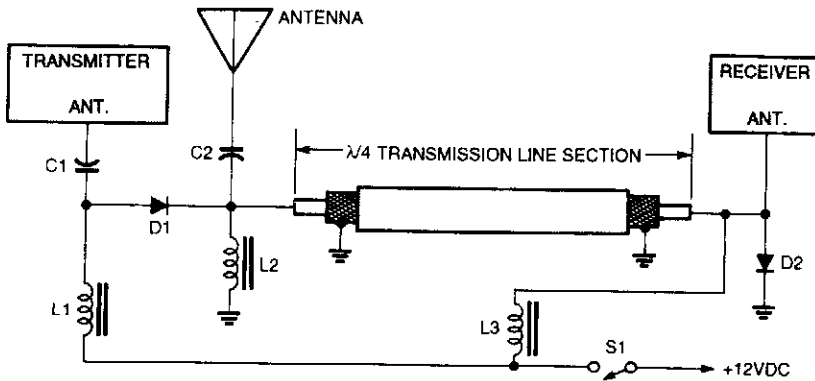


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*Fig. 88-13*

This PIN diode switch uses RF chokes and a single diode. R1 is typically 470  $\Omega$  to 2.2 k $\Omega$ .

### TRANSCEIVER T/R SWITCH

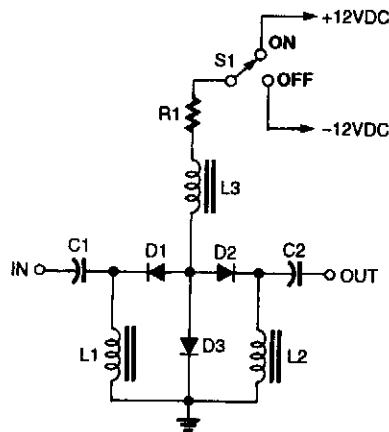


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Fig. 88-14

This transceiver's transmit/receive switch uses PIN-diode instead of a relay. On receive, D1 is cut off, D2 is cut off and the antenna connects to the receiver. During transmit, D1 is forward-biased, as is D2. This connects the receiver input. This causes the input impedance of the transmission line to be high, so little transmitter power reaches the receiver. Although not shown in the schematic, the 12-V supply should have a series resistor of 100  $\Omega$  to 2.2 k $\Omega$ , depending on diode current, to limit diode current to a safe value.

### SERIES/SHUNT PIN-DIODE RF SWITCH



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Fig. 88-15

A combination of series and shunt switching, like that shown here, results in superior isolation between the input and output when in the off condition.

### AUTO-OFF POWER SWITCH

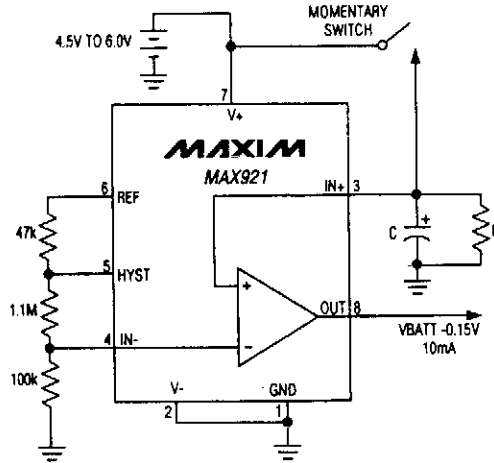
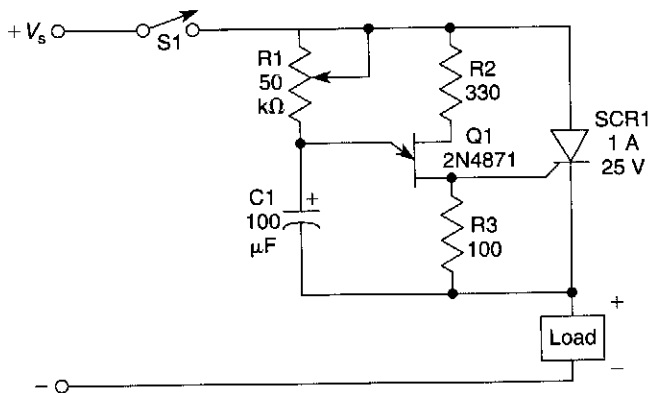


Fig. 88-16

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This timed switch circuit can be used where a timed power source is needed. The on-time is approximately  $4.6 RC$ .

### SWITCH-ON DELAY CIRCUIT



$$\text{Load } R < \frac{V_s}{I_{\text{holding}}}$$

up to max. SCR rating

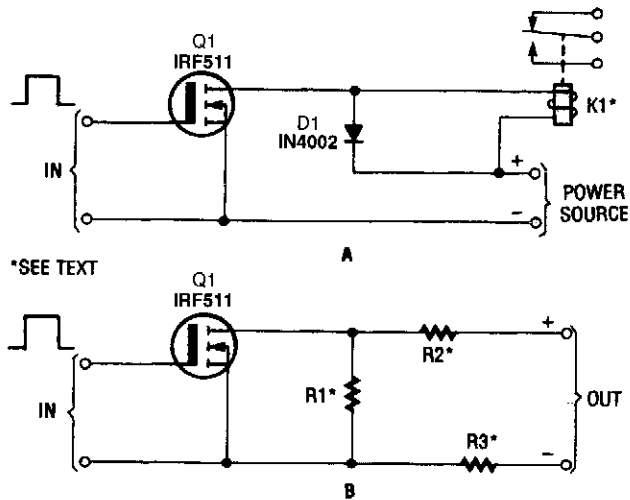
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Fig. 88-17

When  $S_1$  is turned on, a very small current flows through the load. Almost the entire supply voltage appears across the SCR. When  $C_1$  charges up to the firing voltage of  $Q_1$  (approximately the standoff ratio of  $Q_1$  times  $V_s$ , usually 0.4 to 0.6  $V_s$ ) through  $R_1$ ,  $Q_1$  fires, turning on  $SCR_1$ . This delivers full voltage to load, minus SCR drop (about 1.2 V). Notice that load current must exceed SCR holding current.



## HEXFET SWITCH CIRCUITS

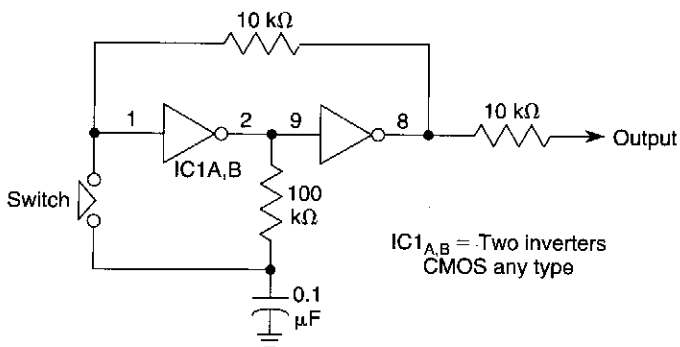


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Fig. 88-18

The HEXFET can switch dc power to relays (as shown in A), motors, lamps, and numerous other devices. That arrangement can even be used to switch resistors in and out of a circuit, as shown in Fig. 88-18B. R1, R2, and R3 are possible load resistors and represent load configurations that can be used.

## ALTERNATING ON/OFF CONTROL

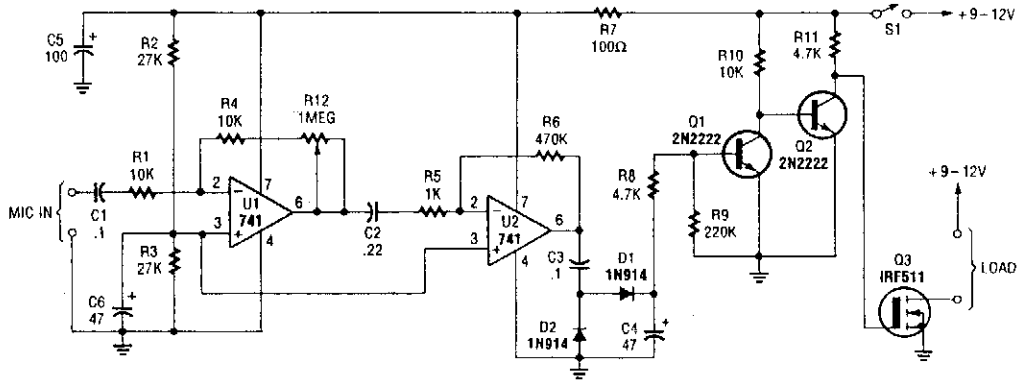


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Fig. 88-19

When the switch is closed, it causes a change in the state of pins 1 through 8. This will provide a toggle flip-flop action.

## AUDIO-CONTROLLED SWITCH

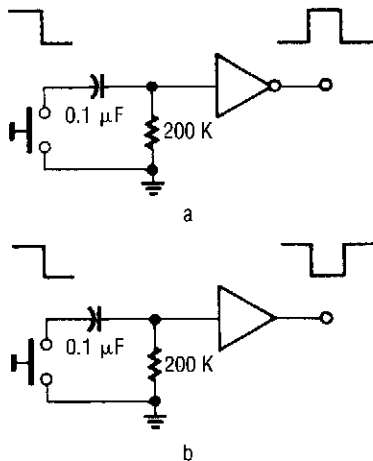


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**Fig. 88-20**

The audio-controlled switch combines a pair of 741 op amps, two 2N222 general-purpose transistors, a HEXFET, and a few support components to produce a circuit that can be used to turn on a tape recorder, a transmitter, or just about anything using sound.

## SWITCH DEBOUNCERS

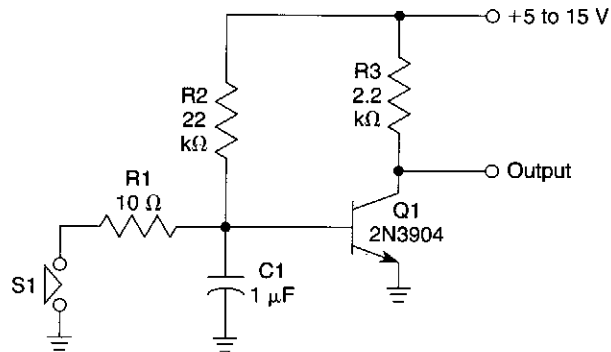


These circuits will cure problems caused by switch-contact bounce. The one shown in Fig. 88-21A provides you a positive output pulse, and the one shown in Fig. 88-21B provides you a negative output pulse.

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**Fig. 88-21**

### SIMPLE SWITCH DEBOUNCER

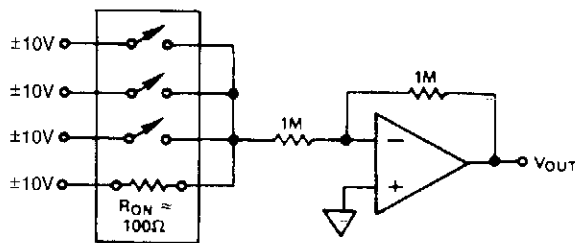


Pressing S1 discharges C1 through R1, causing Q1 to cut off, forcing the output high. Once C1 is discharged below the  $V_{BE}$  (ON) of Q1, switch bounce will have no effect on the output.

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Fig. 88-22

### ANALOG SWITCH CIRCUIT



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Fig. 88-23

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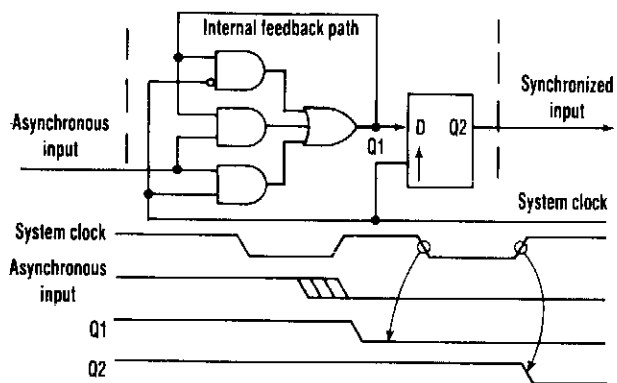
## Sync Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

PLD Synchronizes Asynchronous Inputs  
Sync Tip de Restorer  
Sync Stretcher Circuit  
Synchronizer Circuit

## PLD SYNCHRONIZES ASYNCHRONOUS INPUTS



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 89-1

A programmable electrically erasable logic (PEEL) device can easily supply the synchronizing function. Digital systems often require synchronization of asynchronous inputs to avoid the potential metastability problems caused by setup-time violations. A common synchronization method uses two rippled 74LS72 D-type flip-flops.

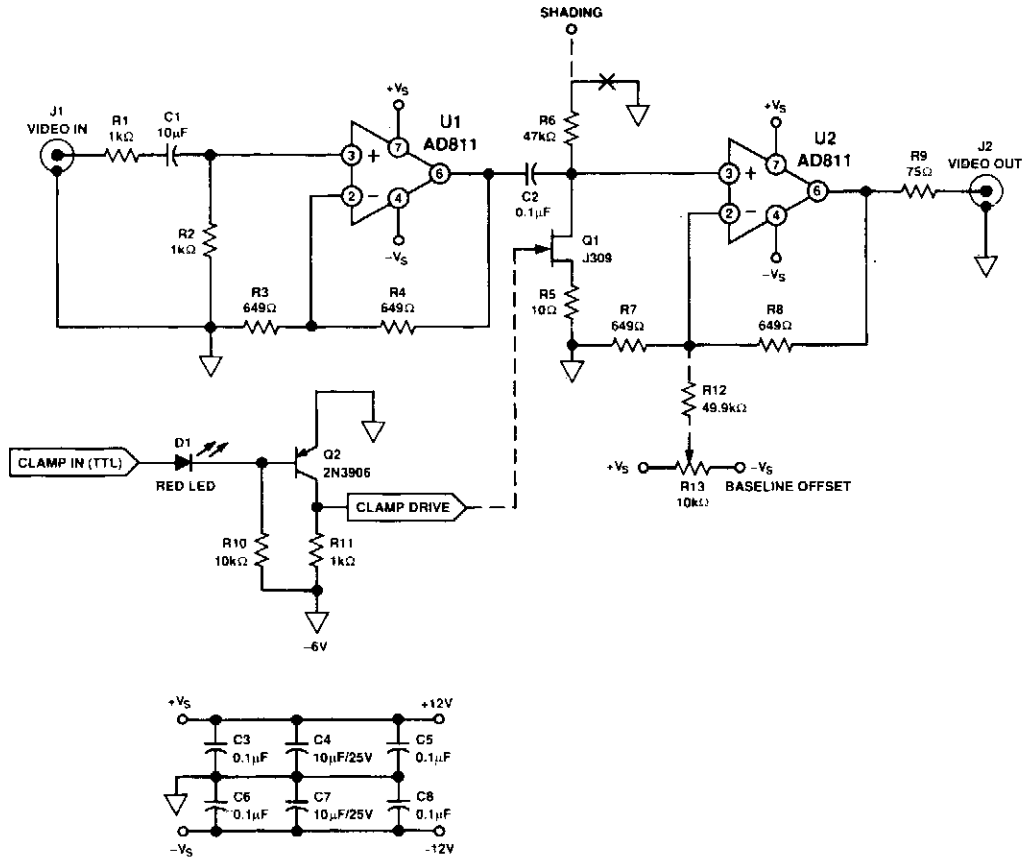
In this circuit, the asynchronous input feeds into the D input of the first flip-flop and its Q output feeds into the D of the second. Because the first flip-flop latches on the falling edge of the system clock, to avoid setup-time violations, the D input signal to the second flip-flop will be stabilized before the rising edge of the clock. Even experienced programmable-logic device designers often resort to such a TTL flip-flop circuit to handle the synchronization function, because of the architectural limitations of standard PLDs.

A programmable electrically erasable logic (PEEL) device, such as the PEEL18CV8 from ICT, however, can easily supply the function. The user-programmable 12-configuration I/O macrocells in the device can internally feed back a signal before the output register. With this feedback arrangement, designing a two-stage input is simple.

A gated-latch internally latches the asynchronous input on the falling edge of the system clock, generating signal Q1. ANDing the input with Q1 through the internal feedback path, eliminates a possible hazard condition during the clock's high-to-low transition time. The latch then holds Q1 stable to ensure meeting the setup-time requirement of the subsequent D flip-flop, which, as before, registers the signal on the next rising system clock edge.

If by chance the input pulse width violates the set-up time of the gated latch, the clock's low time will give more time for settling.

## SYNC TIP dc RESTORER

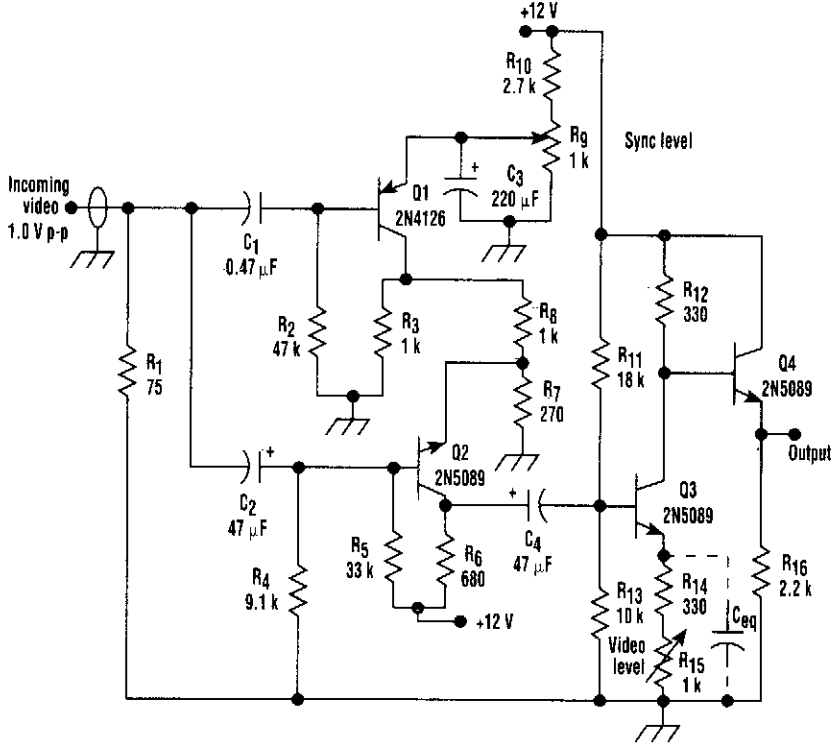


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**Fig. 89-2**

The dc restorer shown supplies a video signal with sync tips clamped to a baseline level. Clamp drive signal is supplied from elsewhere, usually a sync generator or a sync separator.

## SYNC STRETCHER CIRCUIT

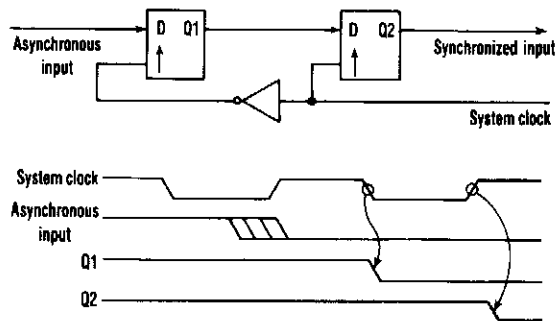


### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 89-3**

Q1, Q2, and Q3 comprise a simple video amplifier and sync stretch circuit. Transistor Q1 sync strips the incoming video, which is amplified and mixed with the stripped sync in Q2. Q3 supplies inversion and video amplitude control.

## SYNCHRONIZER CIRCUIT



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 89-4**

This common synchronization method uses two rippled 74LS74 D-type flip-flops.

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## Telephone-Related Circuits

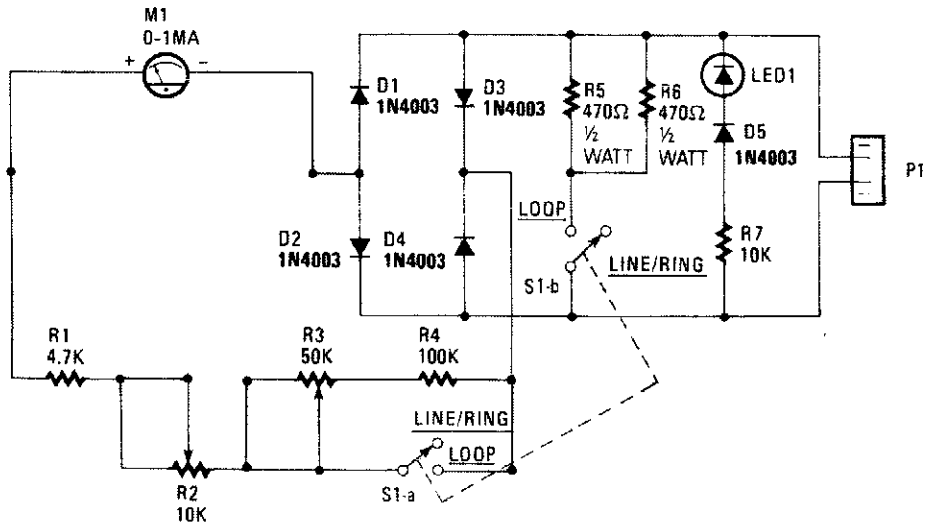
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Telephone Line Tester  
Caller ID Circuit  
Telephone Call Restrictor  
Telephone Scrambler  
Universal Telephone Hold Circuit  
Telephone Ring Amplifier  
Bell System 202 Data Encoder  
Telephone/Audio Interface  
Telephone Recording Circuit  
Telephone Bell Amplifier  
Phone Line Simulator  
Phone Helper  
Telephone Ring Signal Detector  
Telephone Hold Circuit



## TELEPHONE LINE TESTER



RADIO-ELECTRONICS

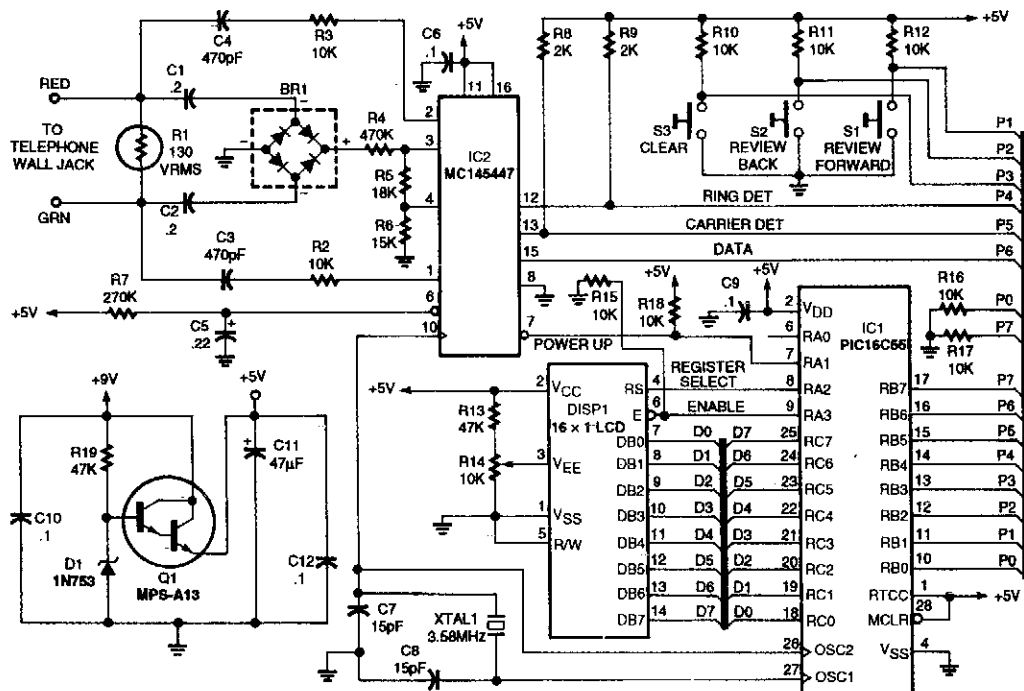
*Fig. 90-1*

The telephone-line tester shown in the figure is connected to the telephone line through modular connector P1. Because the tester's LED polarity indicator is always connected when the tester is plugged in, the instant that the unit is connected, you will have an indication of the polarity. If it is correct—that is, if the green wire is the positive side and the red wire is the negative side—nothing will happen. If the situation is reversed, the LED will light.

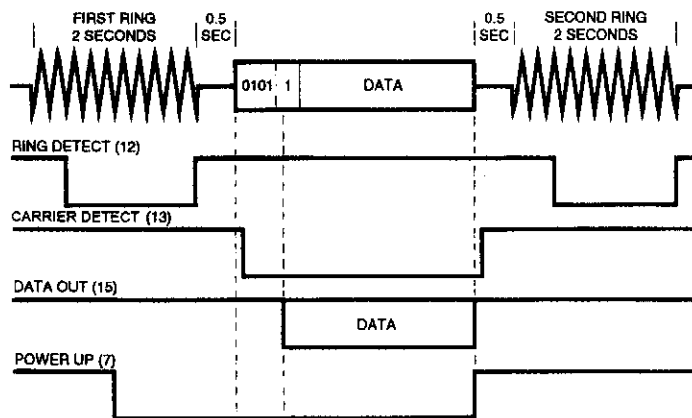
With switch S1 set for LINE/RING, both S1-a and S1-b are open and the meter indicates the condition of the line voltage. Any line-voltage reading in the LINE OK range (more on the meter in a moment) indicates a line voltage that is higher than 40 Vdc. If the telephone is caused to ring, either by using a ringback number or by dialing from another phone, the meter will indicate RING OK, and the LED will pulse (indicating ac), if the ringing voltage/current is correct. The actual position of the meter's pointer depends on how many ringers are connected across the line.

When S1 is closed the voltage range of the meter is changed and a nominal load resistance of 230  $\Omega$  (R5 and R6) is connected across the line to emulate the off-hook load of the telephone. If the meter indicates LOOP OK, you can be certain that you have sufficient loop voltage for satisfactory telephone operation. If you place another load on the line, perhaps by taking an extension telephone off hook, the meter reading will almost invariably drop below the LOOP OK range. If lifting the handset causes the meter reading to drop, you can at least be certain that the telephone's hook switch is working and that the repeat coil is connected to the line.

## CALLER ID CIRCUIT



THE HEART OF THE CALLER ID circuit is microcontroller IC1 which processes the serial data from IC2, outputs ASCII characters to DISP1, and monitors switches S1-S3.



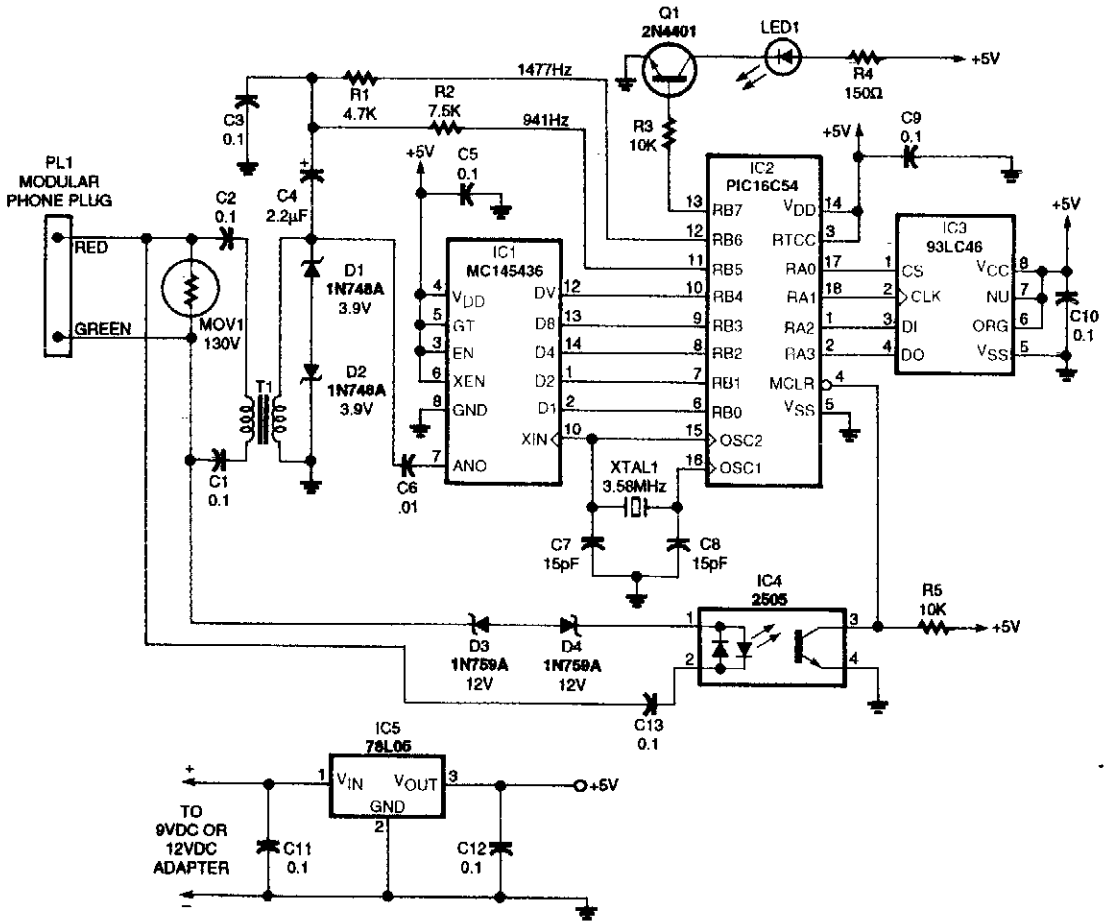
TIMING RELATIONSHIPS between the data present on the phone line (top), and the output pins of IC2.

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**Fig. 90-2**

This circuit requires programming of the microcontroller. Software information is available from the reference in the original article.

## TELEPHONE CALL RESTRICTOR

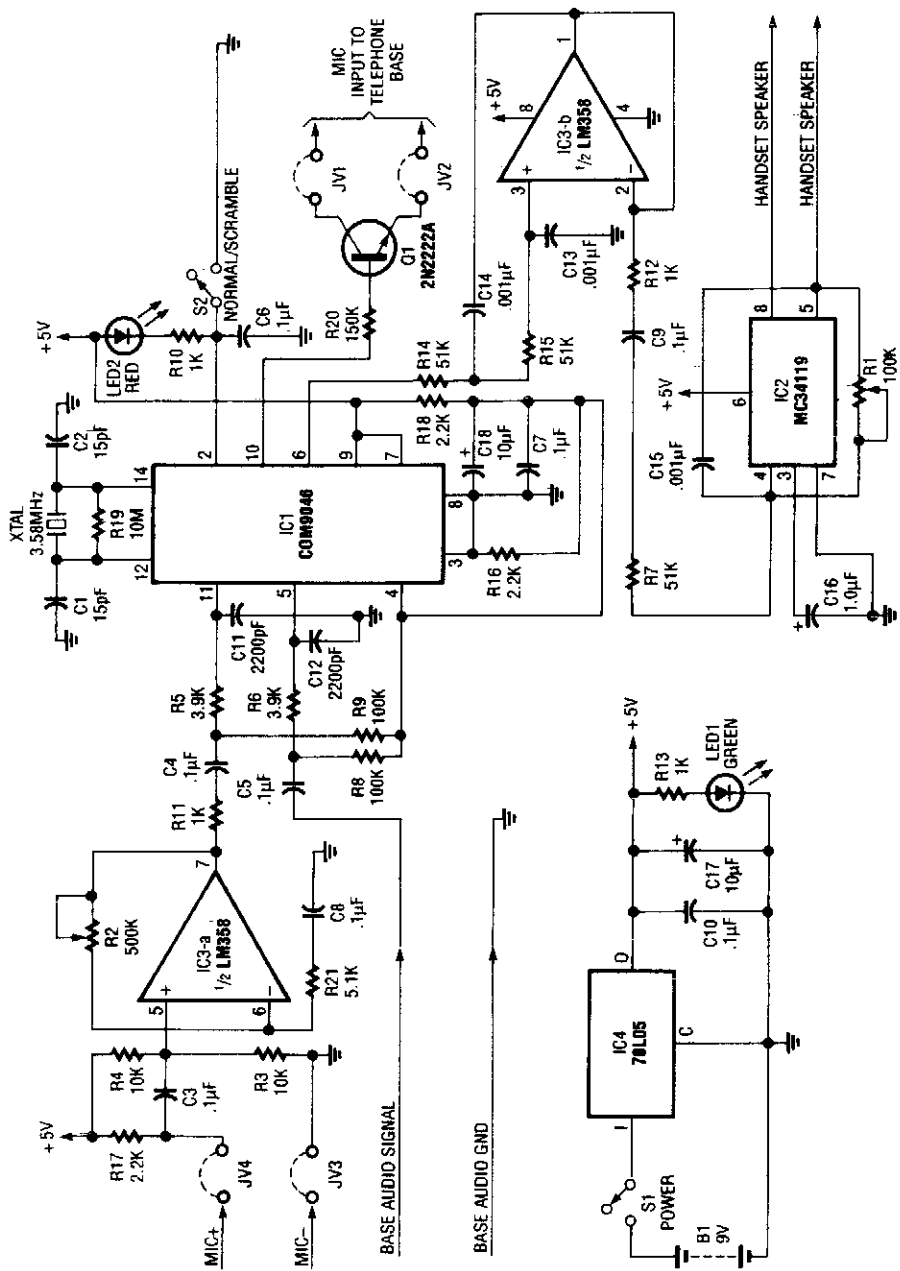


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Fig. 90-3

This circuit is designed to restrict phone calls with the area codes: 900, 976, and 540. This device uses a microcontroller to compare the DTMF decoded tones with telephone numbers stored in EEPROM (IC3). This device requires a programmed microcontroller. Software and details of programming can be found in the original magazine article.

# TELEPHONE SCRAMBLER

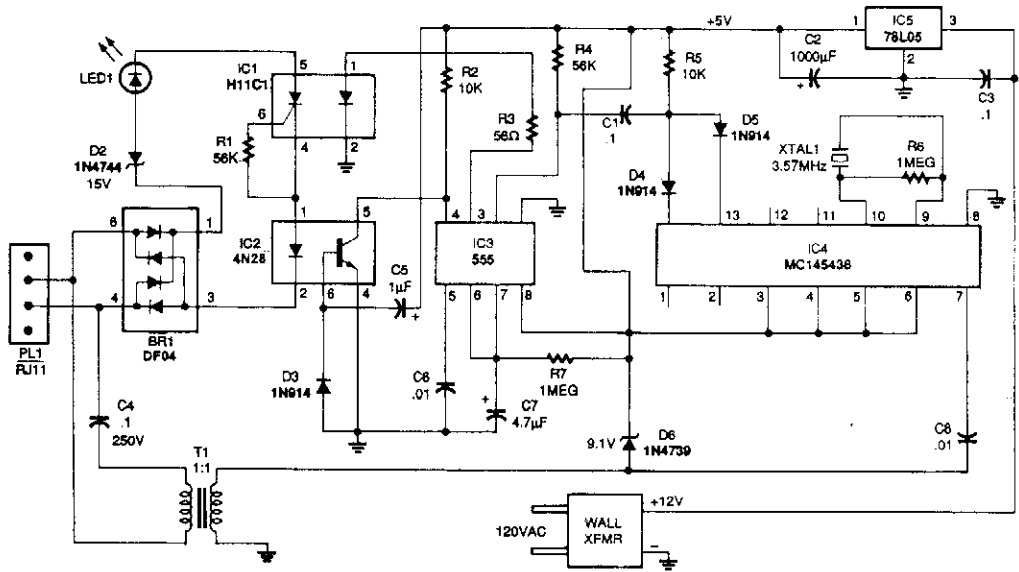


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Fig. 90-4

This circuit uses the usual speech inversion algorithm, implementing it with a COM9046 ASIC. This unit is designed to fit between the handset and base of a standard telephone. It is powered by a 9-V battery.

## UNIVERSAL TELEPHONE HOLD CIRCUIT

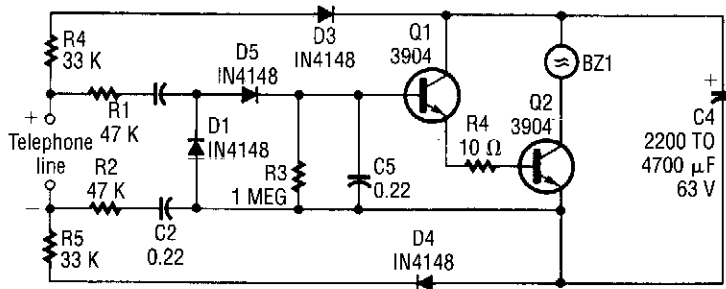


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**Fig. 90-5**

The telephone line is connected to the hold components through bridge rectifier BR1 so that the input is not polarity sensitive. If you have touch-tone telephone service, you can now put a call on hold from any phone in your house by plugging this simple device into any telephone jack. The universal hold-circuit works with any phone that has a key pad with a # key. To put a call on hold, press the # key and hang the phone up. A timer extends the #-key function while you hang up phones that have a keypad built into the handset.

## TELEPHONE RING AMPLIFIER



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**Fig. 90-6**

This circuit takes its operating power from the telephone line. BZ1 is a piezoelectric transducer.

## BELL SYSTEM 202 DATA ENCODER

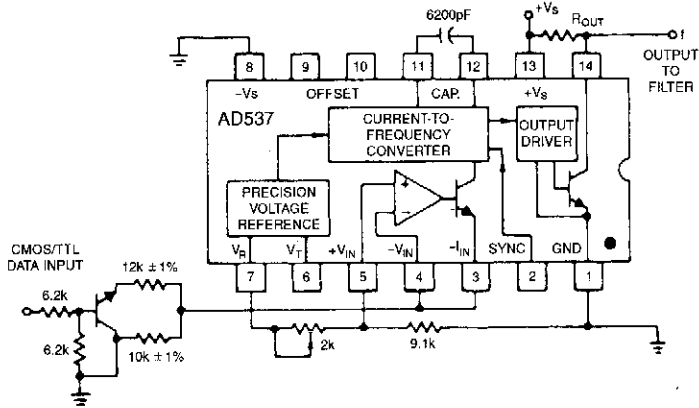


Fig. 90-7

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The AD537 is well-suited for frequency-shift modulator and demodulator applications. Requiring little power, it is especially appropriate for using phone-line power. The Bell-System 202 data encoder shown here delivers the mark frequency of 1.2 kHz with the data input low. When the input goes high, the timing current increases to  $165 \mu\text{A}$  and generates the space frequency of 2.2 kHz. The trim shown provides a  $\pm 10\%$  range of frequency adjustment. The output goes to the required band-pass filter before transmission over a public telephone line. A complementary demodulator is easy to implement.

## TELEPHONE/AUDIO INTERFACE

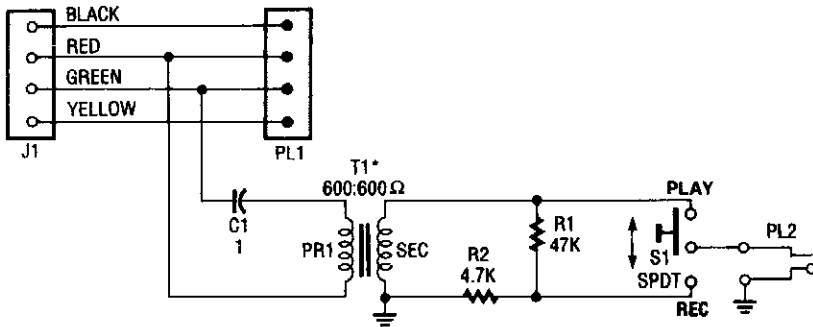
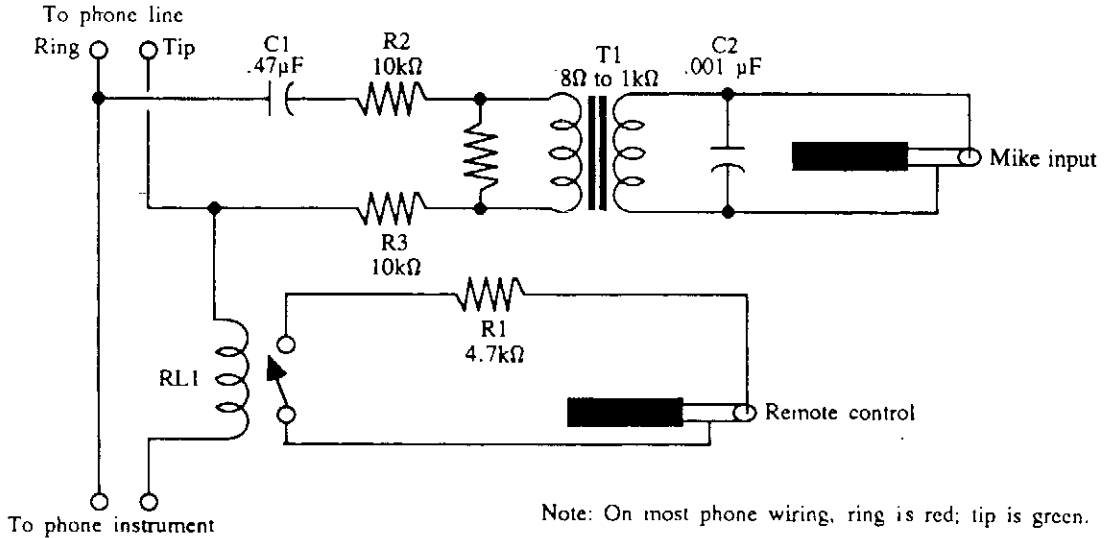


Fig. 90-8

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The telephone audio interface—essentially, a simple isolation/couple circuit—isolates the phone line from any connected audio circuit without presenting any danger to the phone line, the equipment, or the user.

## TELEPHONE RECORDING CIRCUIT



|       |   |
|-------|---|
| R1    | 4.7 kΩ                                      |
| R2,R3 | 10 kΩ                                       |
| C1    | 0.47 µF disc                                |
| C2    | 0.001 µF disc                               |
| T1    | 8 kΩ-to-1 kΩ impedance-matching transformer |
| RL1   | SPST reed relay                             |

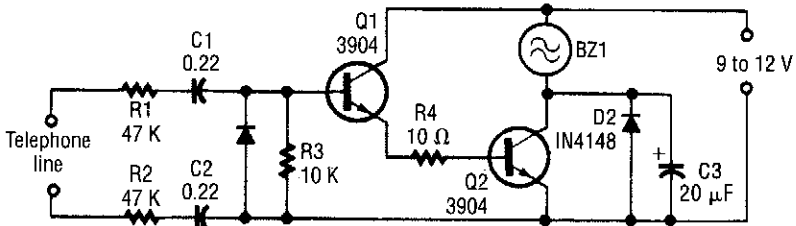
All resistors are 5 to 10 percent tolerance, 1/4 watt. All capacitors are 10 to 20 percent tolerance, rated at 35 volts or more.

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**Fig. 90-9**

This device will automatically record telephone calls. An ordinary cassette recorder can be hooked to it.

## TELEPHONE BELL AMPLIFIER

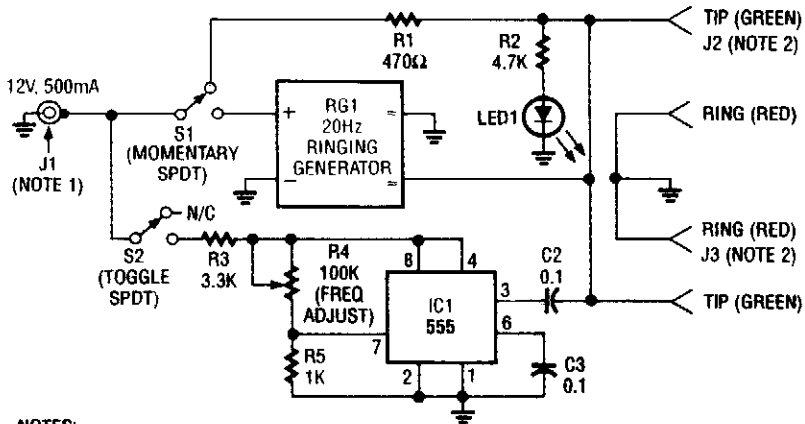


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**Fig. 90-10**

Telephone "bell" amplifier circuit will let you hear (or see) an enhanced alarm if you are away from your telephone.

## PHONE LINE SIMULATOR



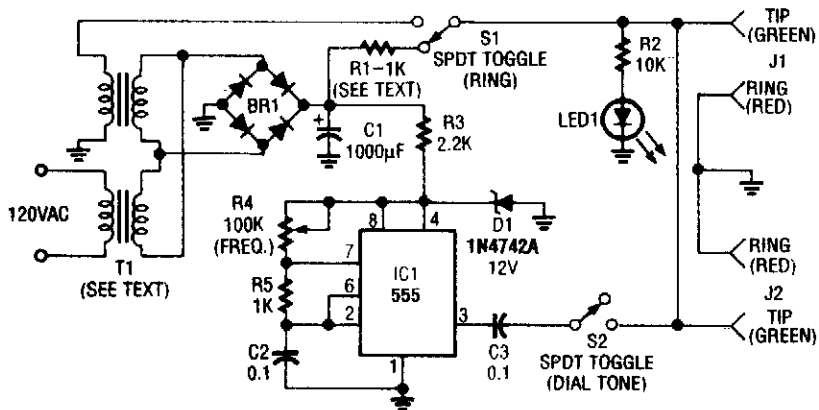
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 1. MATES WITH AC-TO-DC ADAPTER PLUG  
 2. LOCATED IN WALL PLATE

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**Fig. 90-11**

This device contains a ringing generator and a tone oscillator. The tone oscillator is set to either 350 or 440 Hz. The ringing generator is a potted module delivering 86 Vac at 20 Hz. It is available from a source listed in the reference.

## PHONE HELPER



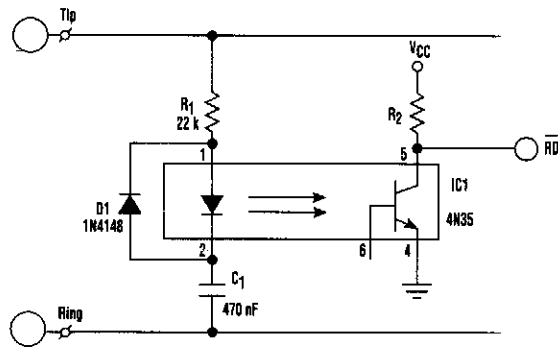
**RADIO-ELECTRONICS**

**Fig. 90-12**

This phone-line simulator uses a 60-Hz transformer instead of a ring generator. The dial tone is provided by an NE555 astable oscillator.



## TELEPHONE RING SIGNAL DETECTOR



**Fig. 90-13**

### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

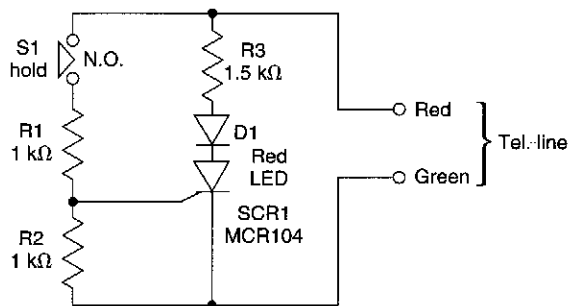
Discriminating between telephone-ring signals on a phone line can be accomplished by using dedicated ICs, such as AT&T's LB1006AB or Texas Instruments' TMS1520A. However, if the system already is using a microcontroller, those dedicated chips can be replaced with simpler hardware and a few bytes of code.

Looking at the setup, the ringing voltage pulses the optoisolator's LED; which, in turn, pulses the low-asserted RD line to the microcontroller. The firmware analyzes the pulses to determine whether a valid ringing signal is present.

The frequency limits of a valid signal are 20 to 80 Hz, which is modulated 2 seconds on and 4 seconds off (with distinctive ringing, though, this cadence can vary). Therefore, the simplest analysis is to count down at least 20 pulses of RD in 1 second.

The routine could be expanded to determine what type of ring signal is present in a distinctive ring setting. Such a system could switch the phone line to various output jacks. As a result, several phone devices could use the same line without first picking up the line to determine if it's a voice, fax, or data call.

## TELEPHONE HOLD CIRCUIT



When the hold button S1 is pressed, SCR1 fires via R1 and R2, firing SCR1, and seizing the line via the path through R3, D1, and SCR1.

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**Fig. 90-14**

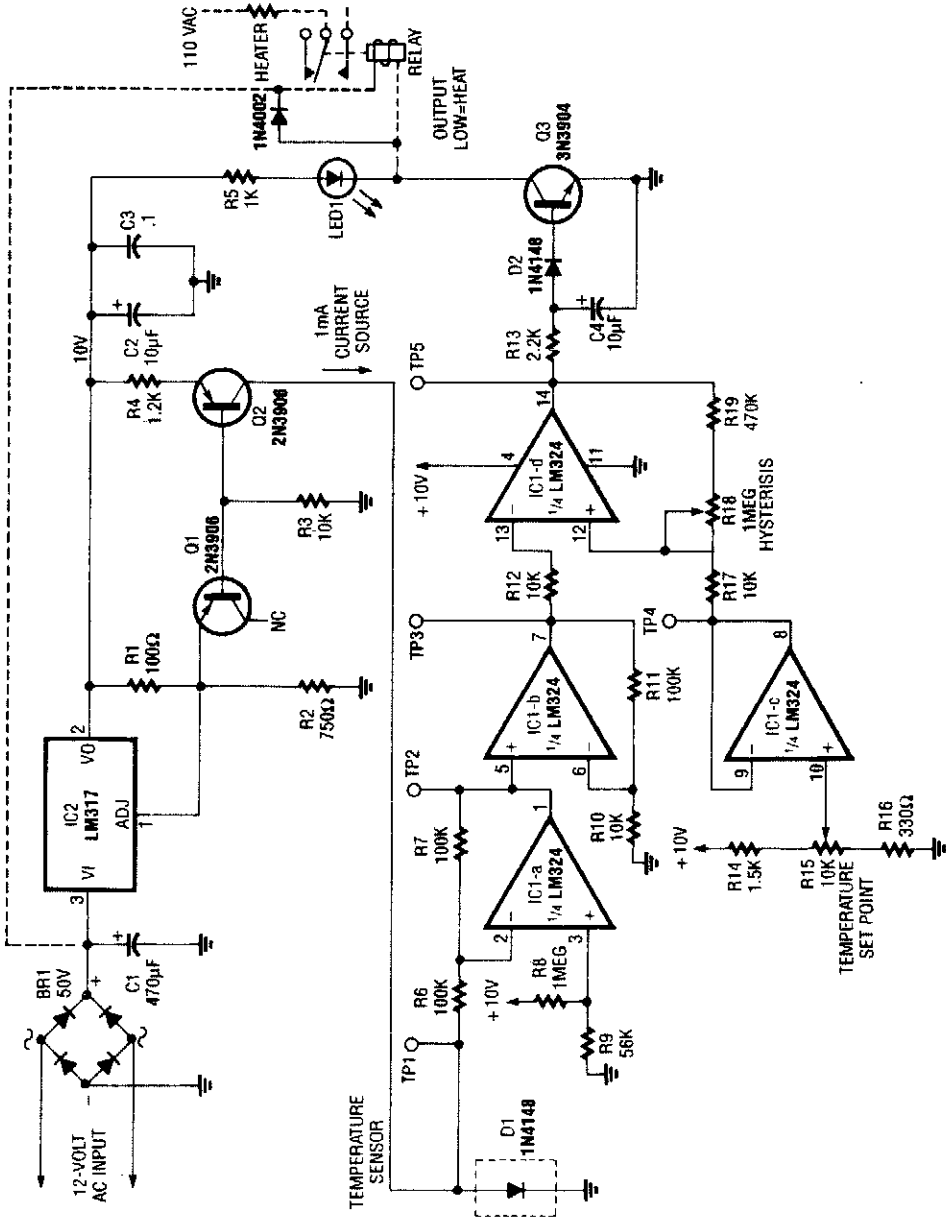
## Temperature-Related Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Electronic Thermostat                                   | Temperature-to-Frequency Converter (Celsius)           |
| Temperature Controller                                  | Temperature-to-Frequency Converter (Kelvin)            |
| Manual Control for Heater                               | Differential Thermometer                               |
| Proportional Temperature Controller                     | Optoelectronic Pyrometer                               |
| Eight-Input A/D Converter for Temperature Measurements  | Bar-Graph Room-Temperature Display                     |
| Cold Junction Compensation for a Grounded Thermocouple  | LM3911 Temperature Controller                          |
| Absolute Temperature Log with RS-232                    | Thermocouple Amplifier with Cold-Junction Compensation |
| Centigrade Thermometer with Cold-Junction Compensation  | Precision RTD Amplifier Circuit for +5 V               |
| 1.5-V Electronic Thermometer                            | Full-Range Fahrenheit Temperature Sensor               |
| Two-Wire Temperature Sensor Output Referenced to Ground | Improved Thermostatic Relay Circuit                    |
| Two-Wire Remote Temperature Sensor with Sensor Grounded | Thermocouple Cold-Junction Compensation                |
| Single-Supply Temperature Sensor (-50 to +300°F)        | Temperature Differential Detector                      |
| Basic Fahrenheit Temperature Sensor                     | Thermostatic Relay Application                         |
|   | Temperature Controller                                 |
|   | Temperature-to-Digital-Output Converter                |
|   | Freeze-Up Sensor                                       |
|   | Zero-Voltage Switching Temperature Regulator           |

ELECTRONIC THERMOSTAT

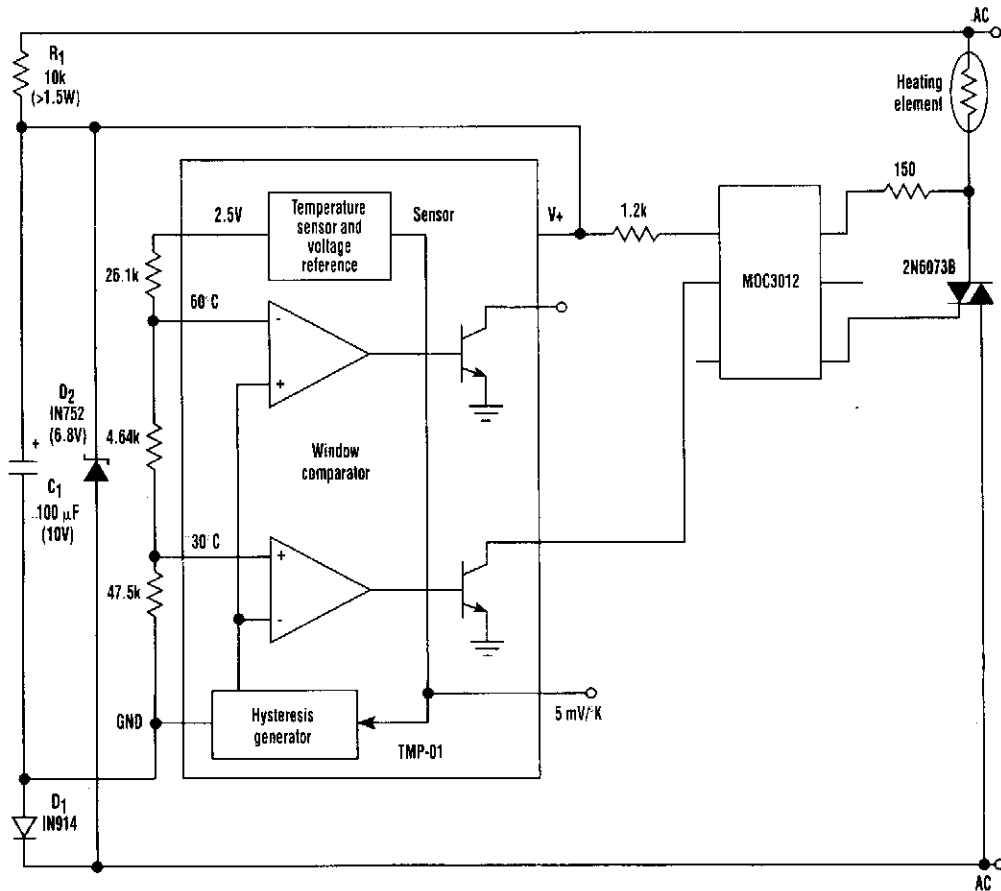


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Fig. 91-1

Using a 1N914 diode as a temperature sensor, this straightforward circuit has hysteresis and set-point adjustments. Usable range is about  $-50$  to  $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

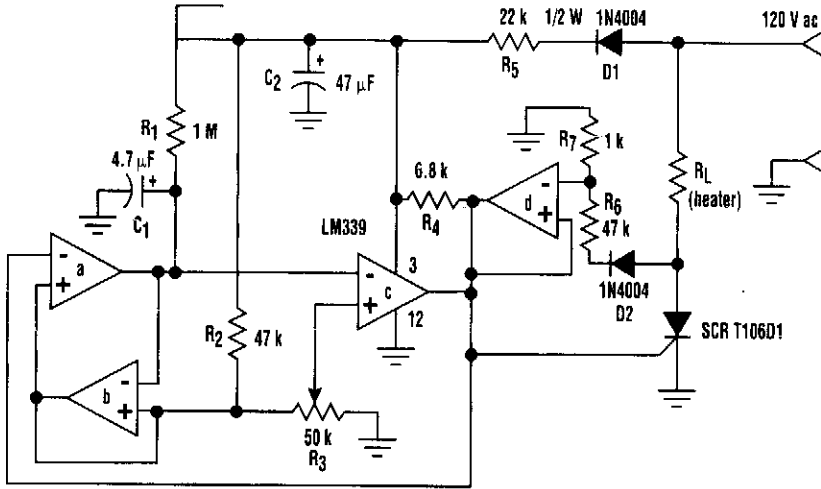
**Fig. 91-2**

The temperature sensor/controller (the TMP-01) is a monolithic device whose low power allows it to operate with a simple half-wave rectified power supply directly from the ac line. Such an arrangement greatly simplifies the power-supply design requirement to the point of only needing a few low-cost components to provide a single +6-Vdc supply.

The TMP-01 is essentially a "thermostat on a chip." It includes a linear temperature sensor (5 mV/K), and also has two comparators that switch at externally determined set points. These set points are established by resistively dividing the internal 2.5-V reference to set appropriate voltages on the inputs to the comparators.

One comparator is used in this circuit to turn on the heating element when the temperature drops below 30°C; it corresponds to a voltage of 1.52 V on the comparator's input.

## MANUAL CONTROL FOR HEATER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 91-3

Built around an LM339 quad comparator, this circuit provides manual control of the output of a resistive heater or other load with a long time constant. The circuit's design uses minimal parts, thus it's inexpensive, and generates very low RFI.

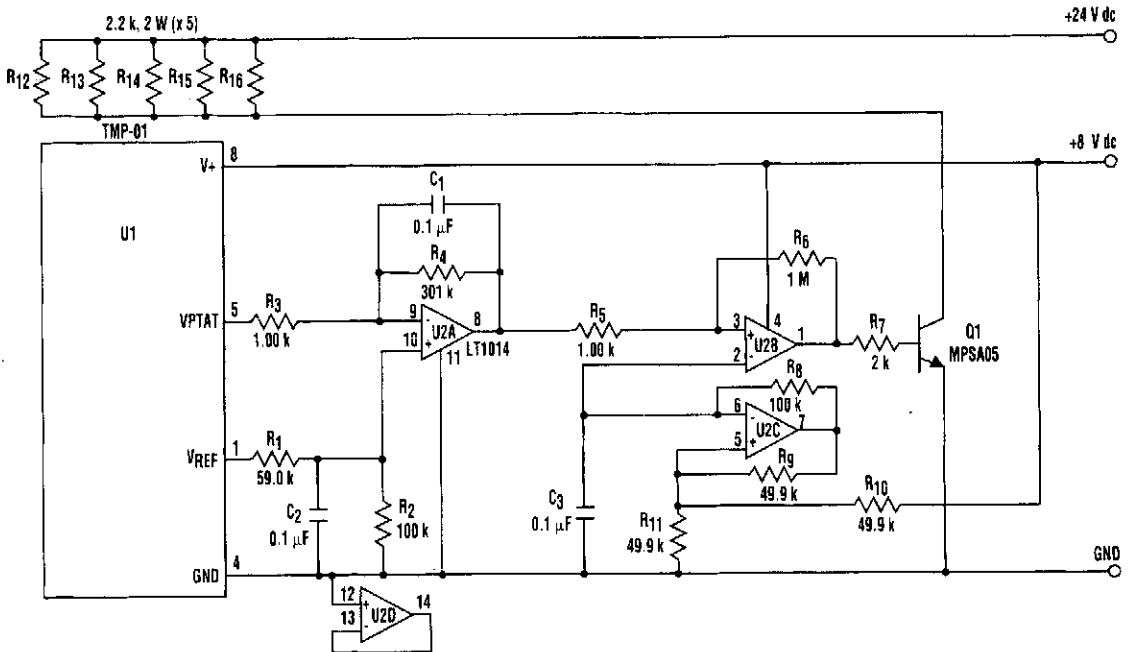
Comparators a, b, and c form a low-frequency pulse-width modulator. Sections a and b form a sawtooth oscillator (of approximately 0.25 Hz), with capacitor C1 being charged through R1 and discharged through section a's open collector output. R2 and R3 set the upper voltage limit for the sawtooth wave. The hysteresis means that C1 is discharged to nearly 0 V, creating a voltage swing that is identical to the adjustment range of R3.

Comparator c, in conjunction with potentiometer R3, converts the sawtooth wave form to a variable duty-cycle drive for the silicon-controlled rectifier.

Increasing voltage at R3's wiper means increasing the "on" time. Section d holds the SCR gate low if the line voltage is above approximately 3.5 V, preventing turn on at mid-cycle and ensuring low RFI.

The oscillator frequency is roughly determined by  $1/0.7R_1C_1$ . Resistance R1 must be greater than  $4R_2$ , or the oscillator will lock up. Reducing R2 will increase the lower voltage limit of the sawtooth; increasing it might cause lock-up.

## PROPORTIONAL TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

Fig. 91-4

Most temperature-controller circuits use upper and lower trip points to control a heater element, with the heater power full on and full off. Usually, this results in a temperature hysteresis of several degrees. This relatively large temperature hysteresis effect might cause modulation in the output of the circuit that's being controlled.

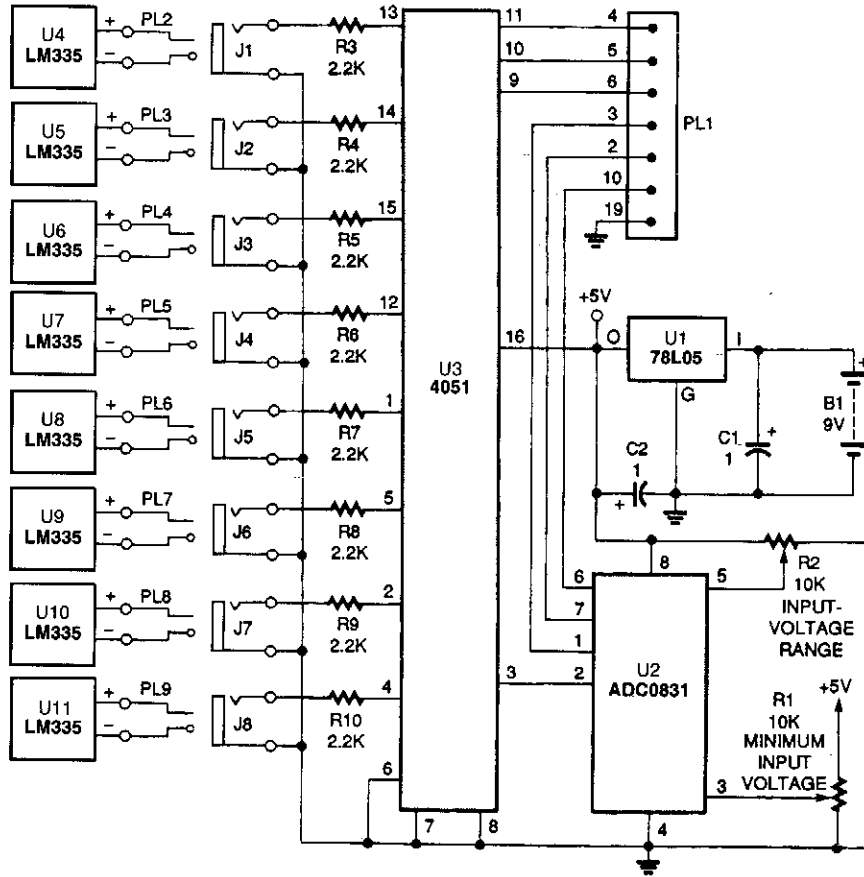
A proportional temperature controller eliminates this problem by continuously providing the power needed to maintain the "oven" at the desired temperature—within 1°C. From a cold start, maximum power is applied until the temperature is within 2°C of the set point.

The circuit's mechanical construction is important. The five heater resistors (R12 through R16), the temperature-sensor IC (U1), and the circuit being controlled are mounted with thermal epoxy to a small piece of aluminum. This provides excellent heat transfer between the components. The heater resistors must be selected to raise the temperature from ambient to the set point within an acceptable warm-up time.

U1 is Analog Devices' TMP-01 temperature-controller IC. The voltage proportional to absolute temperature (VPTAT) has a temperature coefficient of exactly 5 mV/°C. The set point is determined by the  $R_1/R_2$  ratio. U2 is a Linear Technology LT1014 quad precision op amp. U2C is an oscillator with a 50% duty cycle that supplies a triangle wave between  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the supply voltage at U2-2.

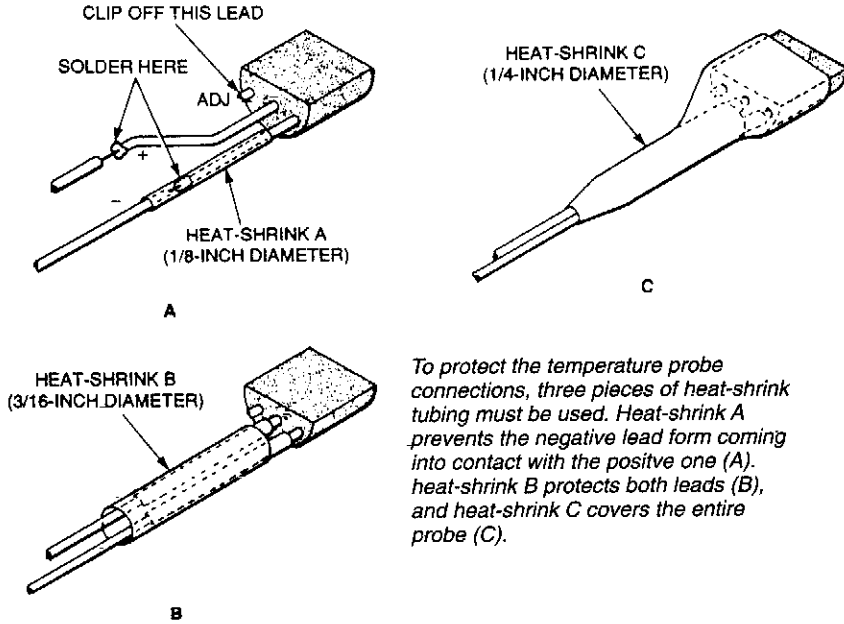
U2B compares the amplified VPTAT to the triangle wave, which drives Q1 at a duty cycle of 100% or less. Because the triangle wave's peak-to-peak amplitude is 2.7 V, and VPTAT is amplified by a factor of 300, a temperature change of approximately 2 mV moves the duty cycle from 100% to 0%.

## EIGHT-INPUT A/D CONVERTER FOR TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

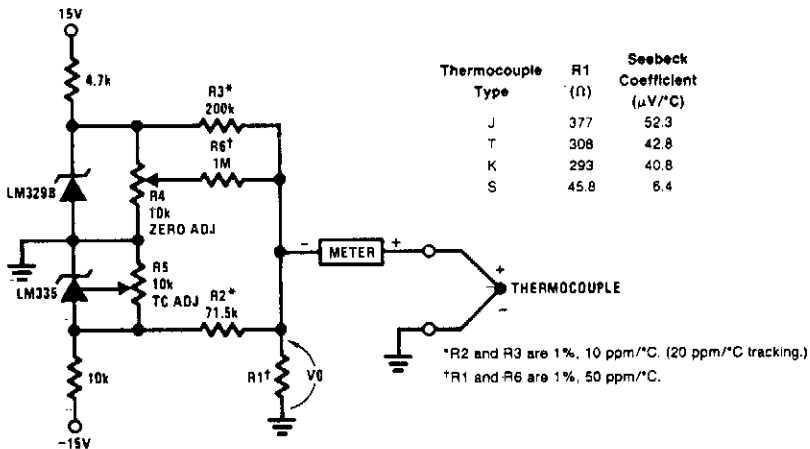


The actual processing circuitry of this A/D converter consists of only four parts: U2, U3, R1 and R2. Eight temperature probes are used with the circuit; however, they can be replaced with other types of sensors, as long as resistors R3 through R10 are removed.

## EIGHT-INPUT A/D CONVERTER FOR TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS (Cont.)



## COLD-JUNCTION COMPENSATION FOR A GROUNDED THERMOCOUPLE



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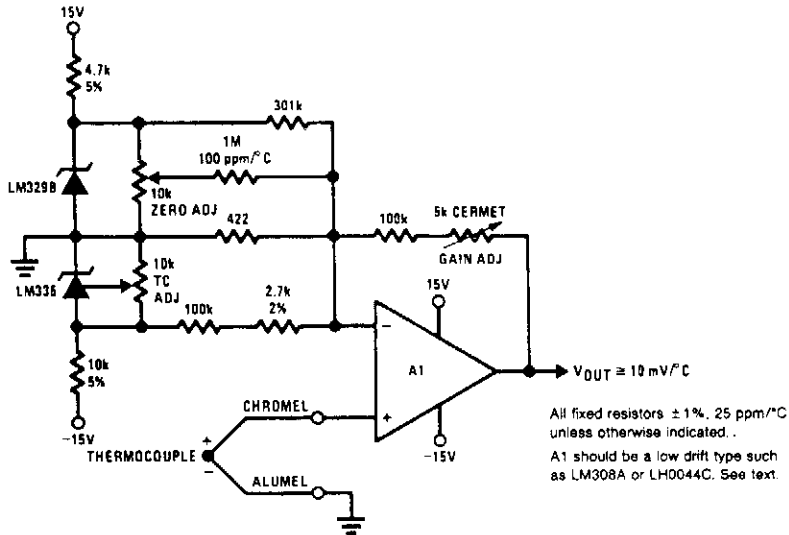
Fig. 91-6

A circuit for use with grounded thermocouples is shown. To trim, short out the LM329B and adjust R5 so that  $V^{\circ} = \alpha T$ , where  $\alpha$  is the Seebeck coefficient of the thermocouple and  $T$  is the absolute temperature. Remove the short and adjust R4 so that  $V^{\circ}$  equals the thermocouple output voltage at ambient. A good grounding system is essential here, for any ground differential will appear in series with the thermocouple output.





## CENTIGRADE THERMOMETER WITH COLD-JUNCTION COMPENSATION

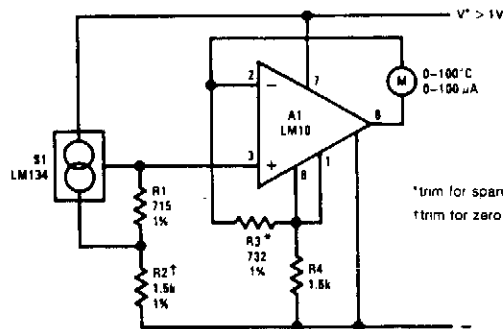


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**Fig. 91-8**

This electronic thermometer has a 10-mV/°C output from 0°C to 1300°C. The trimming procedure is as follows: first short out the LM329B, the LM335 and the thermocouple. Measure the output voltage (equal to the input offset voltage times the voltage gain). Then apply a 50-mV input voltage and adjust the GAIN ADJUST pot until the output voltage is 12.25 V above the previously measured value. Next, short out the thermocouple again and remove the short across the LM335. Adjust the TC ADJUST pot so that the output equals 10 mV/°K times the absolute temperature. Finally, remove the short across the LM329B and adjust the ZERO ADJUST pot so that the output voltage equals 10 mV/°C times the ambient temperature in °C.

## 1.5-V ELECTRONIC THERMOMETER

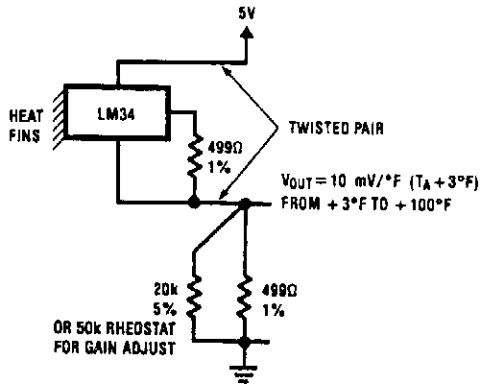


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**Fig. 91-9**

An electronic thermometer design, useful in the range of -55°C to 150°C, is shown. The sensor, S1, develops a current that is proportional to absolute temperature. This is given the required offset and range expansion by the reference and op amp, resulting in a direct readout in either °C or °F.

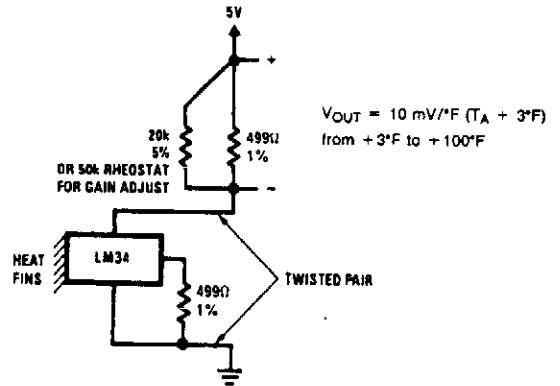
**TWO-WIRE TEMPERATURE SENSOR  
OUTPUT REFERENCED TO GROUND**



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Fig. 91-10

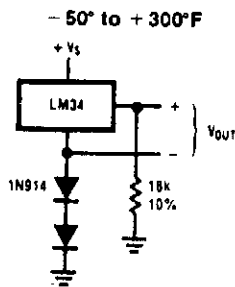
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Fig. 91-11

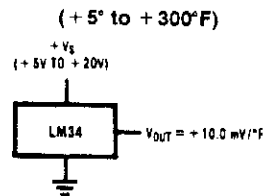
**SINGLE-SUPPLY  
TEMPERATURE SENSOR ( $-50$  TO  $+300^{\circ}\text{F}$ )**



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Fig. 91-12

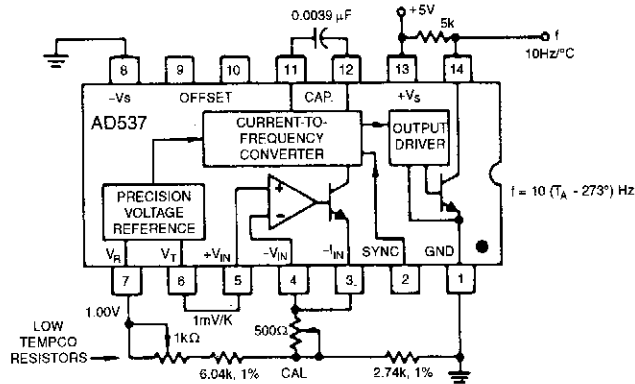
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Fig. 91-13

## TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER (CELSIUS)

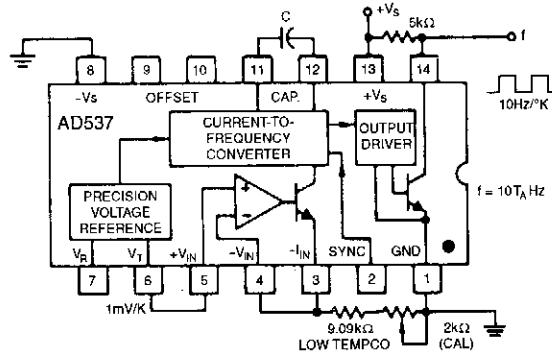


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Fig. 91-14

The 1.00-V reference output can be combined with the 1-mV/°K output to realize various temperature scales. For the Celsius scale, the lower end of the timing resistor must be offset by 273 mV. This is easily accomplished, and it results in an output from 0 to 1 kHz for temperatures from 0°C to +100°C. Other offsets and scale factors are equally easy to implement.

## TEMPERATURE-TO-FREQUENCY CONVERTER (KELVIN)



ANALOG DEVICES

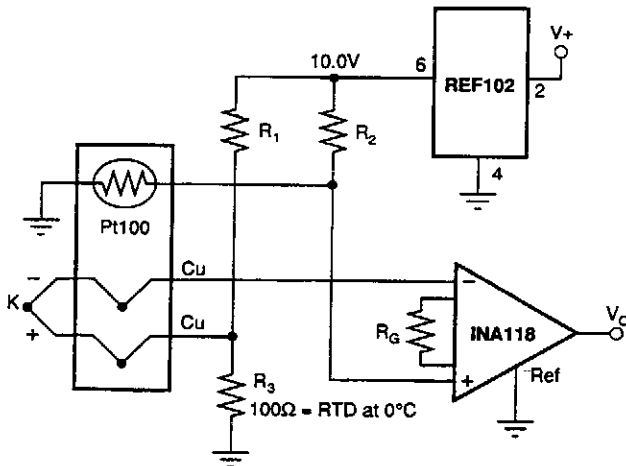
Fig. 91-15

This simple connection results in a direct conversion of temperature to frequency. The 1-mV/°K temperature output serves as the input to the buffer amplifier, and the oscillator drive current is scaled to be 298 μA at 298°K (+25°C). Use of a 1000-pF capacitor results in a corresponding frequency of 2.98 kHz. A single-point trim for calibration is normally sufficient to give errors less than ±2°C from -55°C to +125°C. An NPO capacitor is preferred to minimize nonlinearity that results from capacitance drift.





## THERMOCOUPLE AMPLIFIER WITH COLD-JUNCTION COMPENSATION



| ISA TYPE | MATERIAL     | SEEBECK COEFFICIENT ( $\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$ ) | $R_1, R_2$     |
|----------|--------------|--|----------------|
| E        | + Chromel    | 58.5   | 66.5k $\Omega$ |
|          | - Constantan |  |                |
| J        | + Iron       | 50.2   | 76.8k $\Omega$ |
|          | - Constantan |  |                |
| K        | + Chromel    | 39.4   | 97.6k $\Omega$ |
|          | - Alumel     |  |                |
| T        | + Copper     | 38.0   | 102k $\Omega$  |
|          | - Constantan |  |                |

| DESIRED GAIN | $R_G$ ( $\Omega$ ) | NEAREST 1% $R_G$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1            | NC                 | NC                            |
| 2            | 50.00k             | 49.9k                         |
| 5            | 12.50k             | 12.4k                         |
| 10           | 5.556k             | 5.62k                         |
| 20           | 2.632k             | 2.61k                         |
| 50           | 1.02k              | 1.02k                         |
| 100          | 505.1              | 511                           |
| 200          | 251.3              | 249                           |
| 500          | 100.2              | 100                           |
| 1000         | 50.05              | 49.9                          |
| 2000         | 25.01              | 24.9                          |
| 5000         | 10.00              | 10                            |
| 10000        | 5.001              | 4.99                          |

BURR-BROWN

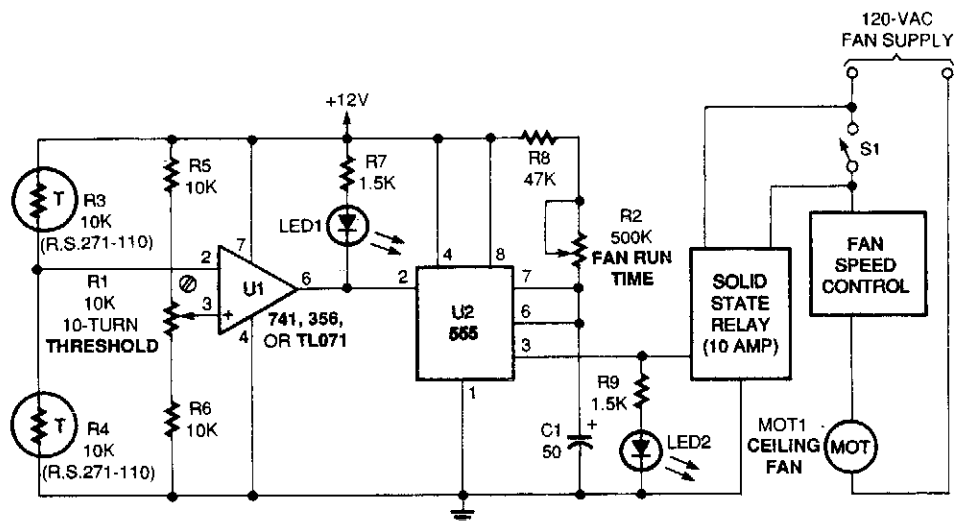
Fig. 91-20







## TEMPERATURE DIFFERENTIAL DETECTOR



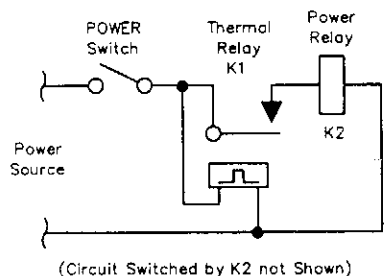
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Fig. 91-25

This circuit measures temperature differences, not temperature. Once the difference passes a certain threshold, the timer is triggered, activating the solid-state relay.

Op amp U1 is placed in a comparator configuration with two thermistors—one located at the ceiling, one at the floor. The IC senses the temperature difference between the ceiling and floor, but is unaffected by the overall room temperature differential increases. The upper thermistor will decrease in resistance, eventually causing the voltage at pin 2 of U1 to exceed that pin 2 of U1 to go low and trip the timer. This adds hysteresis to the op amp's output, preventing the motor from chattering. When tripped, the timer activates the relay, which activates the fan.

## THERMOSTATIC RELAY APPLICATION



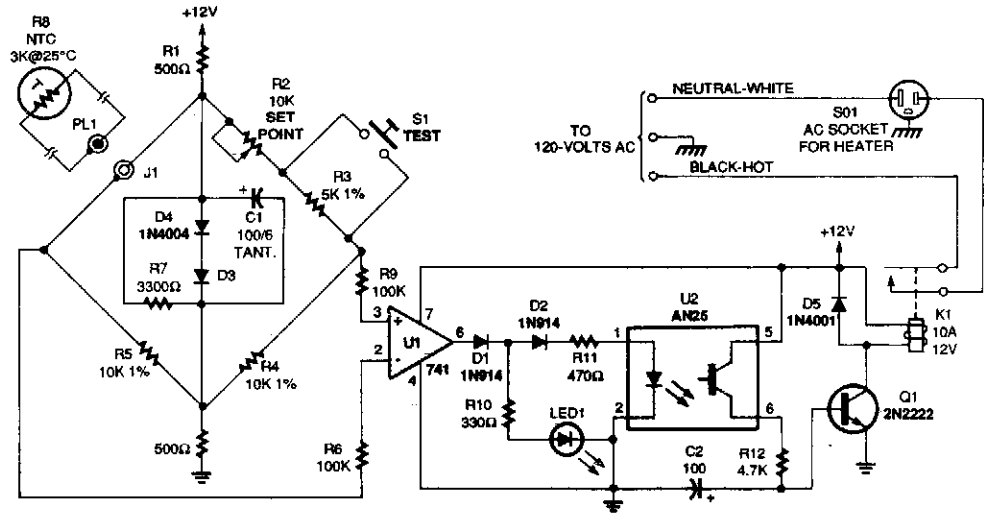
K1, the thermostatic relay, energizes power relay K2, which handles the circuit's power switching. The drawing doesn't show K2's power-switching contacts.

QST

Fig. 91-26



## FREEZE-UP SENSOR

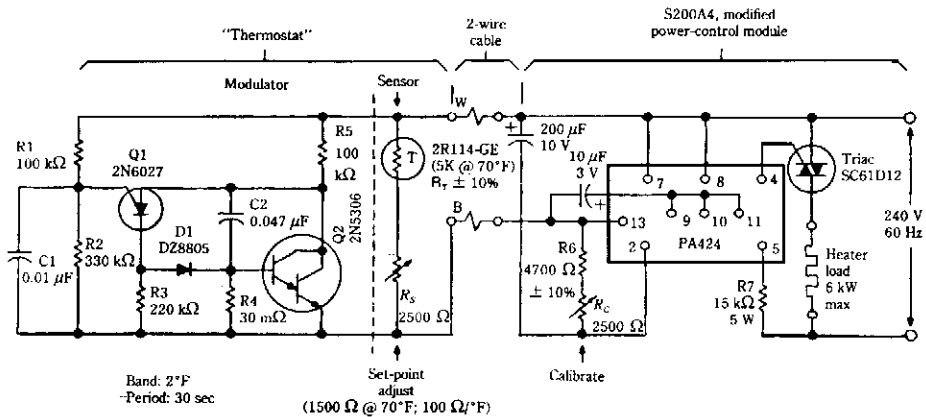


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 91-29

Using a bridge circuit to provide an accurate activation temperature, this circuit will turn on a heating unit or other device when the temperature drops below the trip point set by R2. Use a 10-k- $\Omega$  resistor in place of the thermistor to calibrate it for 32°F activation.

## ZERO-VOLTAGE SWITCHING TEMPERATURE REGULATOR



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Fig. 91-30

In this arrangement, an integral number of cycles of ac is fed to the heater. No RFI or EMI is generated with this method. The thermostat uses a thermistor as a sensor. The PA424 (GE) device generates trigger pulses for the triac only at zero crossings of the ac line cycle.

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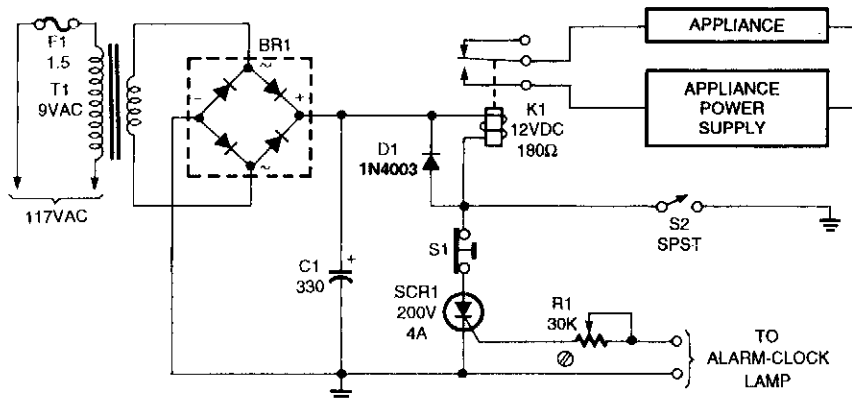
## Timer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Alarm Clock Timer  
Lamp Timer  
Long-Period Timer

## ALARM CLOCK TIMER

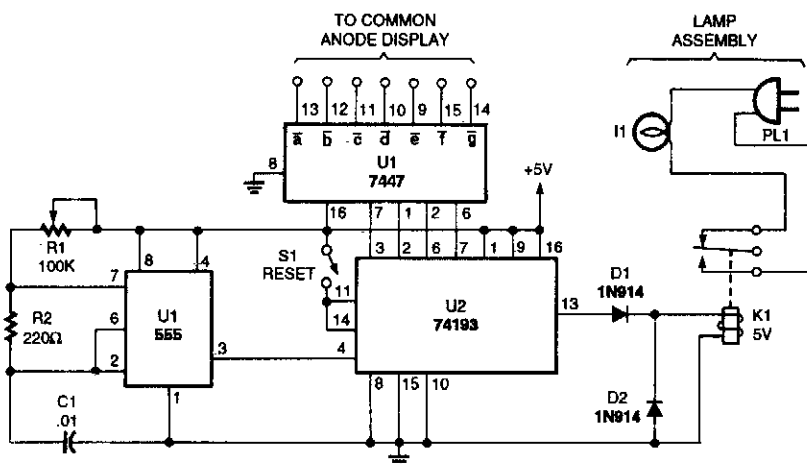


POPULAR ELECTRONICS

Fig. 92-1

Turn your alarm clock into a specialized timer with this simple circuit. The clock used with the circuit should be the kind that turns on a little lamp when the alarm is activated.

## LAMP TIMER



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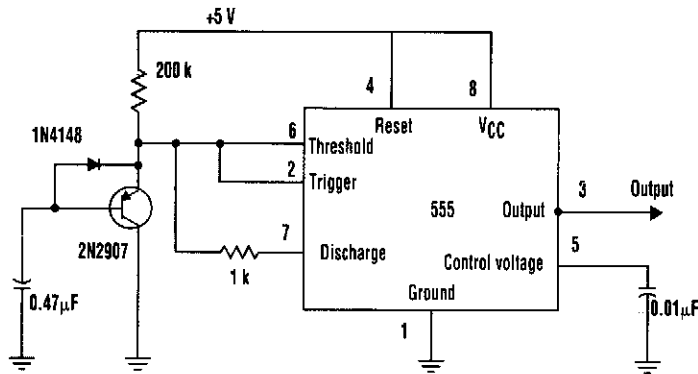
Fig. 92-2

A timed switch uses a 555 oscillator/timer wired to operate in the astable mode. The timer supplies a positive pulse to the clock input of a 74193 4-bit binary up/down counter every five minutes. Because the 74193 is set to operate in the count-down mode, the output of the 555 is connected to the count-down input of the 74193.

As the binary counter is reset, it starts counting at nine and counts down to zero with each clock pulse. When the counter hits zero, the output from the 74193 goes low, turning off the relay and the light. The light can be turned back on by pressing the reset button again.

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## LONG-PERIOD TIMER



ELECTRONIC DESIGN

**Fig. 92-3**

Adding a transistor to the 555 timer can create long timer periods, which is a key factor when the timer is operating at low speed. The transistor basically acts as a current divider or capacitance multiplier. The problem with low speed, however, is that the timing resistors and capacitors must be large and the charging current must be small, particularly when the desired timing period is in the range of seconds.

Typically, electrolytic capacitors are used in these situations, but their leakage current tends to aggravate or even prohibit operation at very low charging currents.

This problem can be solved by adding a transistor. In effect, the transistor is used as a current divider or a capacitance multiplier. The normal charging current (emitter current) is divided by the transistor's current gain so that the capacitor charging current (base current) is reduced considerably. For example, 10 μA of emitter current will require approximately 0.1 μA of base current, based on a current gain of 100.

In this circuit, the capacitor will be charged with such a low charging current that timing periods will typically be 100 times longer than usual. This means that substantial time periods can be achieved with film or ceramic capacitors that have much better leakage characteristics and are physically smaller.

The circuit's output period was approximately 6 seconds, compared to 80 ms without the transistor. The transistor multiplied the normal time period by a factor of approximately 75.

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## Tone Control Circuits

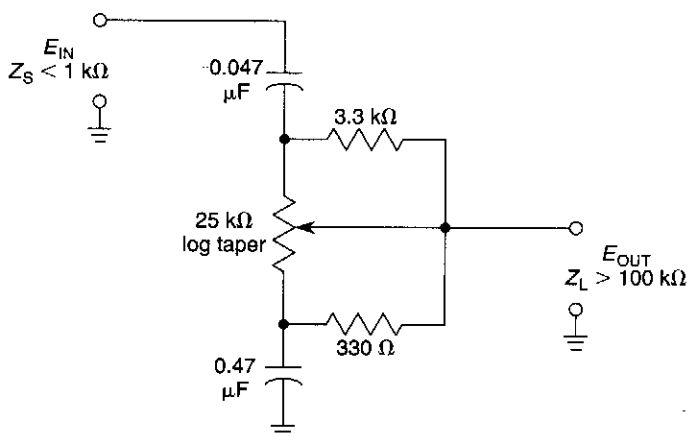
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Treble-Control Circuit  
Bass Tone-Control Circuit  
Combined Bass and Treble Control  
Active Bass- and Treble-Tone Control



### TREBLE-CONTROL CIRCUIT

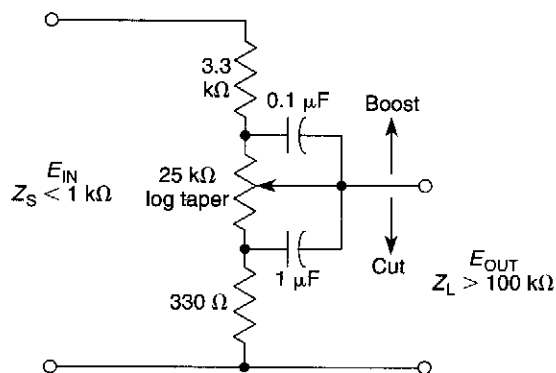


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 93-1

This tone control has an insertion loss of 20 dB at flat setting and is effective above 1 kHz. It has little effect below about 1 kHz.

### BASS TONE-CONTROL CIRCUIT

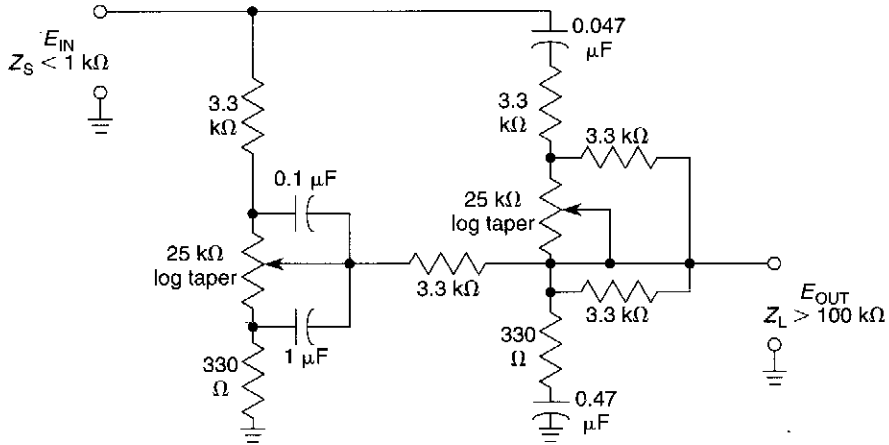


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 93-2

This tone control has an insertion loss of 20 dB at flat setting and is effective below 350 Hz. The control has little effect above this frequency.

### COMBINED BASS AND TREBLE CONTROL

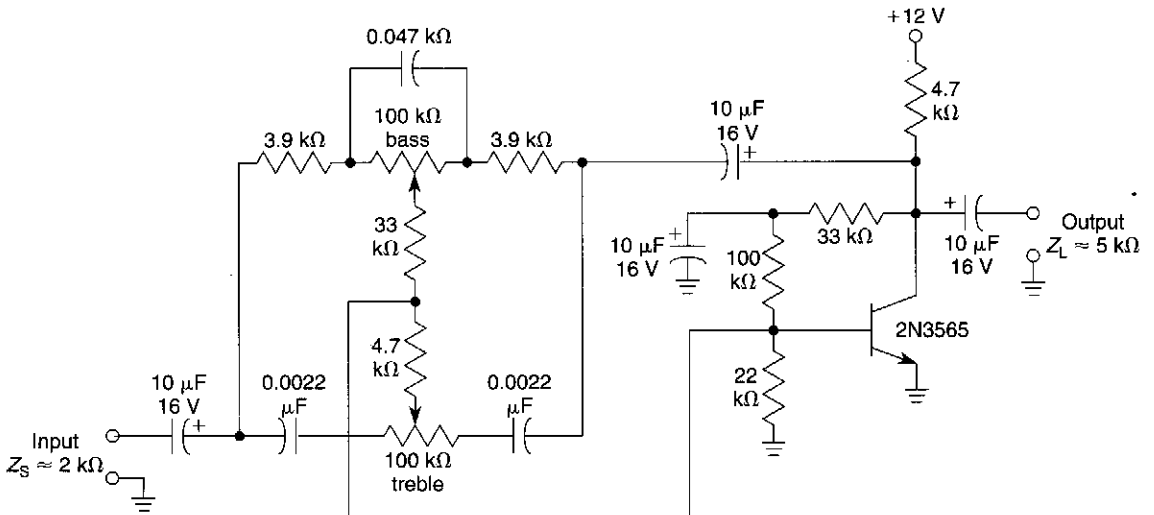


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 93-3

This positive tone control system uses two pots to control bass and treble.

### ACTIVE BASS- AND TREBLE-TONE CONTROL



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Fig. 93-4

A single transistor used as a feedback amplifier is connected with ac feedback through the tone controls, which determine the frequency response of the stage.

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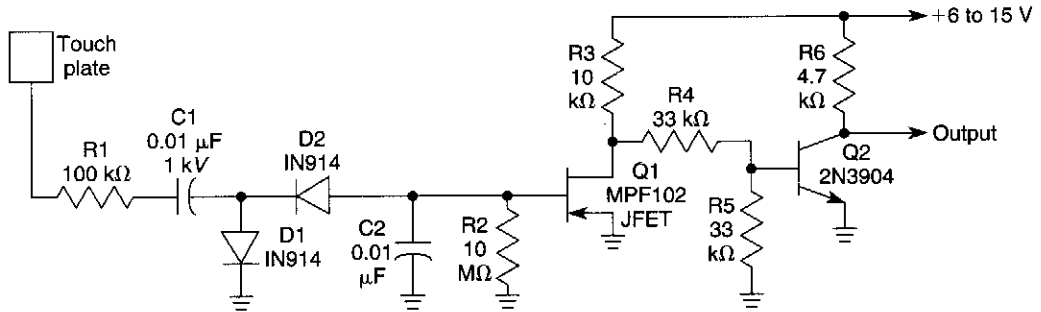
## Touch/Proximity Control Circuits

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Simple Touch Switch  
Simple Timed Touch Switch  
Capacitive Sensor System  
Touch Switch  
Proximity Alarm

## SIMPLE TOUCH SWITCH

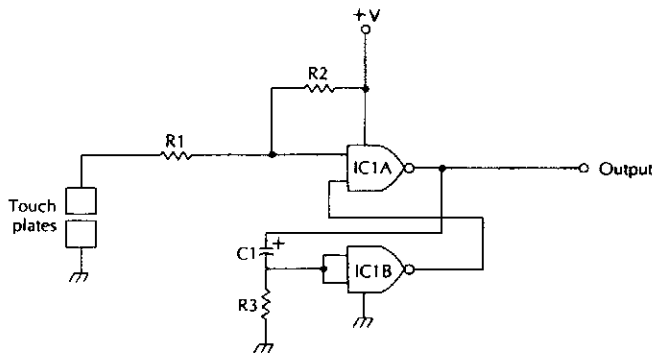


WILLIAM SHEETS

Fig. 94-1

Q2 is held cut off since Q1 normally is conducting. When the touch plate is contacted by a large object (human body, etc.), stray 60-Hz pickup is rectified by D1 and D2, and produces a negative voltage across R2-C2 and the gate of Q1. Q1 cuts off, causes Q2 to conduct, and the output goes low.

## SIMPLE TIMED TOUCH SWITCH



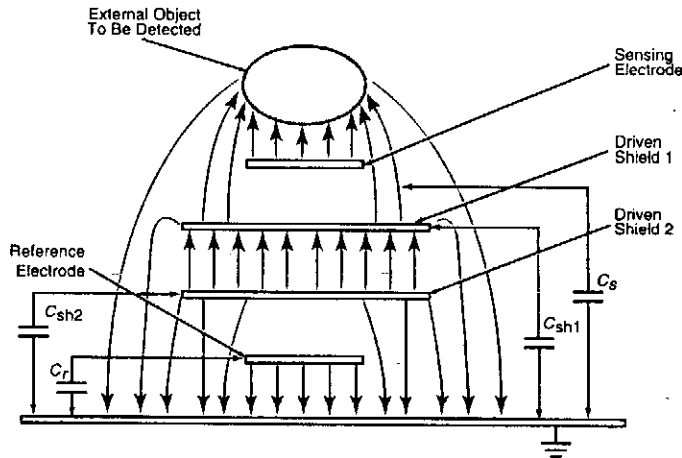
McGRAW-HILL

Fig. 94-2

This circuit produces an output for a time approximately equal to time constant  $R_3C_1$ .

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| IC1, IC2         | CD4011 quad NAND gate                     |
| IC3              | CD4066 quad bilateral switch              |
| C1               | 47- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor  |
| C2               | 100- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor |
| C3               | 220- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor |
| C4               | 470- $\mu$ F, 25-V electrolytic capacitor |
| C5, C6, C7       | 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor                    |
| R1, R3, R4, R6   | 100-k $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor        |
| R7, R9, R10, R12 |   |
| R2, R5, R8, R11  | 10-M $\Omega$ , 1/4-W 5% resistor         |

## CAPACITIVE SENSOR SYSTEM



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Fig. 94-3

This figure illustrates the electric-field configuration of a capacitive proximity sensor of the "capaciflector" type. It includes a sensing electrode driven by an alternating voltage, which gives rise to an electric field in the vicinity of the electrode; an object that enters the electric field can be detected by its effect on the capacitance between the sensing electrode and electrical ground.

Also, it includes a shielding electrode (in this case, driven shield 1), which is excited via a voltage follower at the same voltage as that applied to the sensing electrode to concentrate more of the electric outward from the sensing electrode, increasing the sensitivity and range of the sensor. Because the shielding electrode is driven via a voltage follower, it does not present a significant electrical load to the source of the alternating voltage.

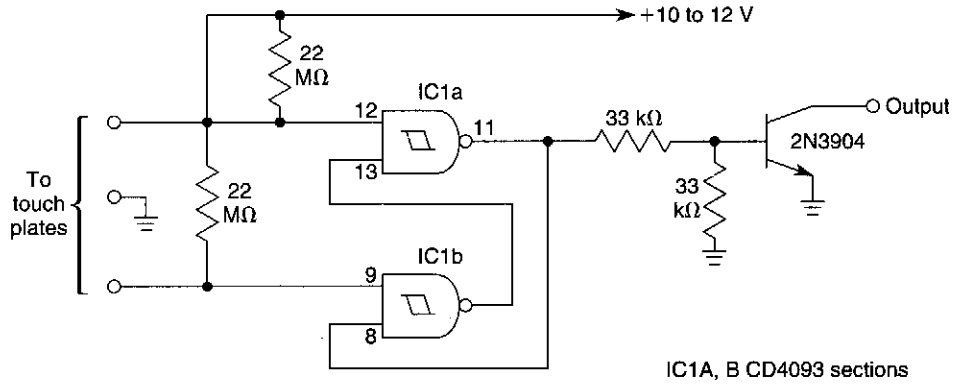
In this case, the layered electrode structure also includes a reference electrode adjacent to ground, plus a second shielding electrode (driven shield 2), which is excited via a voltage follower at the same voltage as that applied to the reference electrode. Driven shield 2 isolates the reference electrode from the electric field generated by driven shield 1 and the sensing electrode so that a nearby object exerts no capacitive effect on the reference electrode.

The excitation is supplied by a crystal-controlled oscillator and applied to the sensing and reference electrodes via a bridge circuit. Fixed capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  (or, alternatively, fixed resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ ) are chosen to balance the bridge; that is, to make the magnitude of the voltage at sensing-electrode node S equal the magnitude of the voltage at reference-electrode node R.

The voltages at S and R are peak-detected and fed to a differential amplifier, which puts out voltage  $V_u$  proportional to the difference between them. When no object intrudes into the electric field of the sensing electrode, the bridge remains in balance, and  $V_u = 0$ . When an object intrudes, it changes  $C_s$ , unbalances the bridge, and causes  $V_u$  to differ from zero. The closer the object comes to the sensing electrode, the larger ( $V_u$ ) becomes.

An additional output voltage  $KV_r$  is available, where  $K$  is the amplification and  $V_r$  is the voltage on the reference electrode.

## TOUCH SWITCH

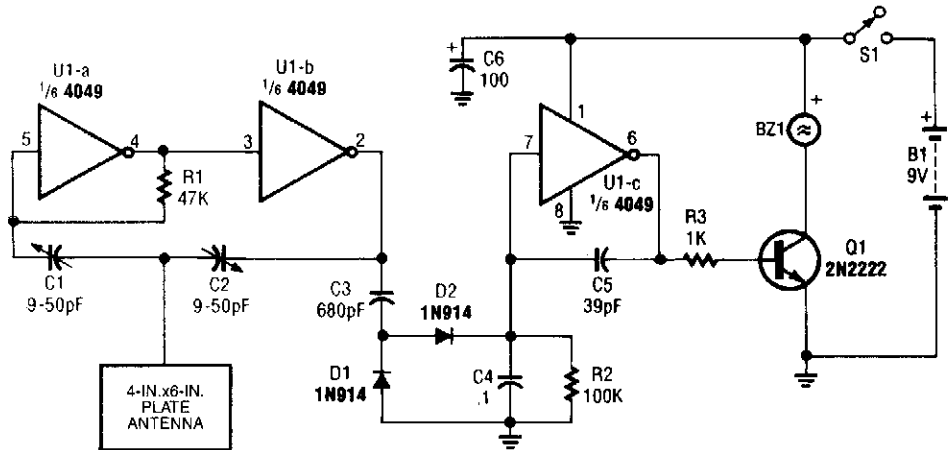


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*Fig. 94-4*

Two NAND Schmitt triggers are used as a flip-flop to produce a bridged touch switch.

## PROXIMITY ALARM



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*Fig. 94-5*

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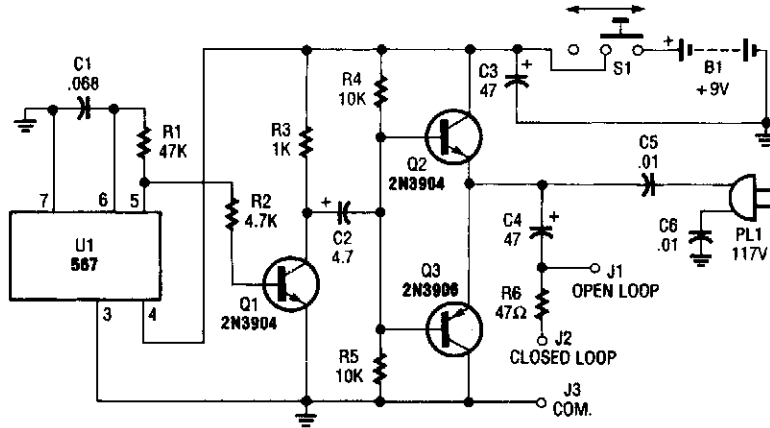
## Tracer Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Wire Tracer  
Cable Tracer  
Signal Tracer

## WIRE TRACER



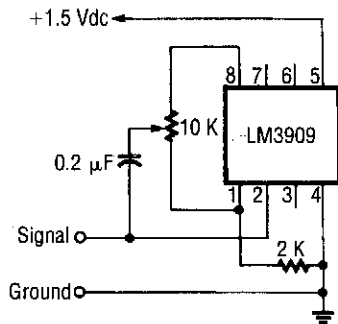
*At the heart of the McTrak is a 567 tone decoder, configured as a simple squarewave oscillator, operating at about 250 Hz.*

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Fig. 95-1

This tracer works by placing a square-wave signal on the line to be traced. The square wave is rich in harmonics. A small transistor radio placed close to a wire carrying this signal will buzz. The radio, therefore, is used as a probe to trace out the wire.

## CABLE TRACER

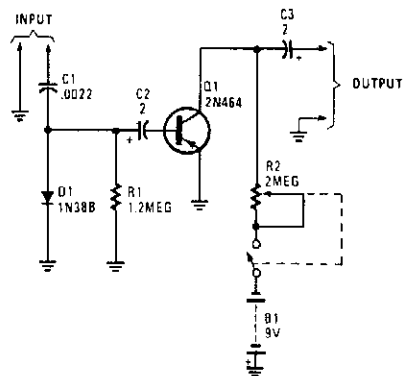


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Fig. 95-2

This circuit generates a 1-kHz square wave for cable tracing. Because this circuit is simple and generates from 1.5 V, several can be used at the same time to generate multiple tones for tracing multiconductor cables.

## SIGNAL TRACER



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Fig. 95-3

This circuit uses a simple detector-audio amplifier. The output can be connected to headphones or another audio amplifier.



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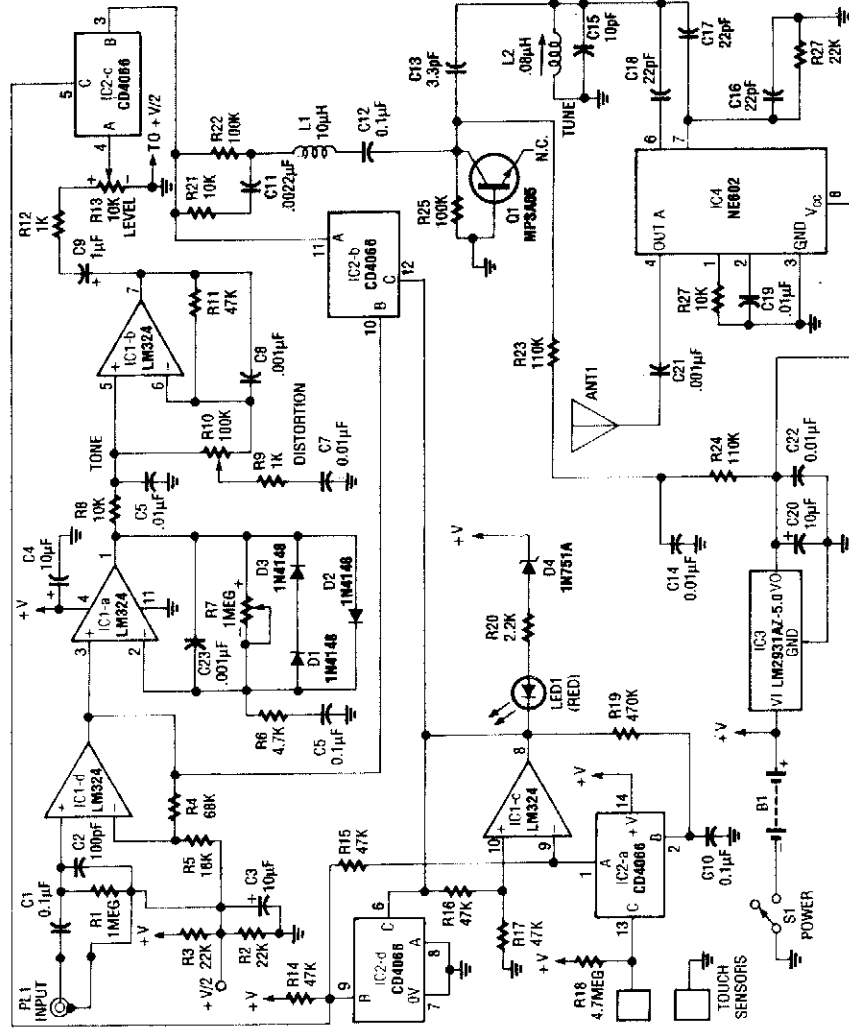
## Transmitter and Transceiver Circuits

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Wireless Guitar Transmitter  
Micro TV Transmitter  
Wireless Microphone  
FM Stereo Transmitter  
FM Bug  
Low-Power VHF Beacon Transmitter  
Low-Cost 6-W, 40-M CW Transmitter

# WIRELESS GUITAR TRANSMITTER

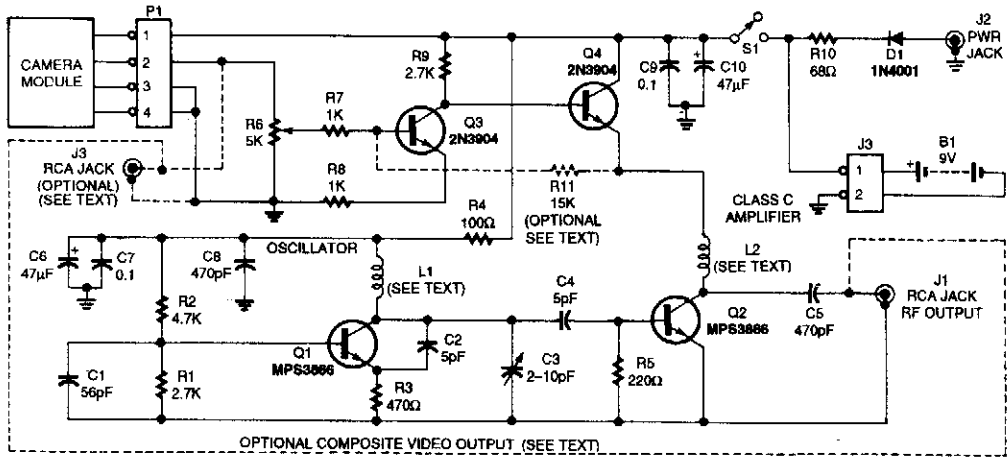


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This transmitter has a built-in distortion effects unit and a touch switch to switch effects off and on. The circuit operates from a 9-V battery. IC1-a and IC1-b are used in the effects circuitry. IC1-d is an input preamp and IC2 is a quad analog switch to handle audio switching. Q1 acts as a varactor, diode modulator while IC-4 is an 88- to 108-MHz FM oscillator.

**Fig. 96-1**

## MICRO TV TRANSMITTER

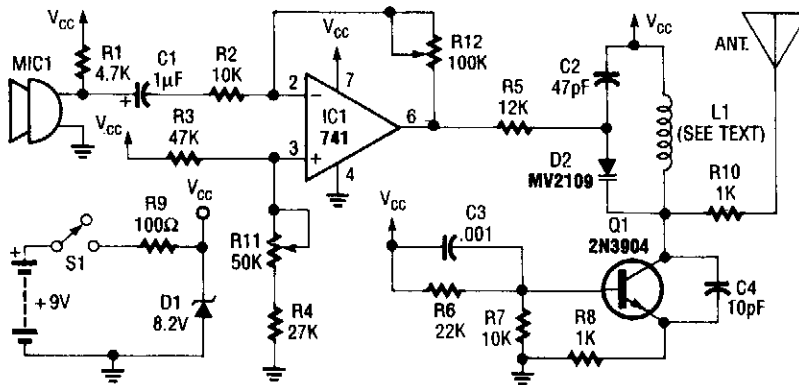


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Fig. 96-2

For very low power, noncritical applications, this small TV modulator can be useful as a short-range (50 feet) transmitter for video signals. A small camera module can be used as a source. R11 is used to vary dc offset of the modulator.

## WIRELESS MICROPHONE

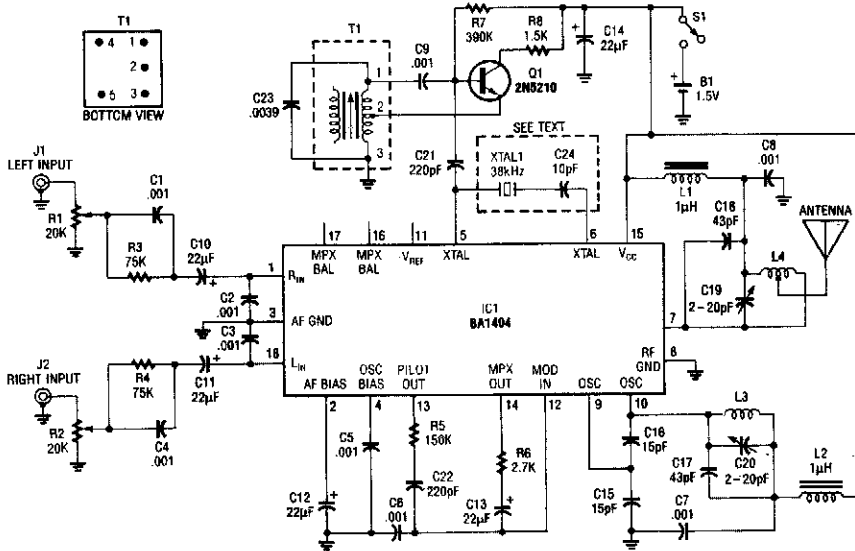


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Fig. 96-3

An op-amp IC (741) amplifies the audio signal from MIC1, and R12 controls its gain. Audio is fed to the oscillator circuit Q1 and related components. D2 is a varactor diode. Audio fed to D2 causes FM of the oscillator signal. L1 is 2½ turns of #18 wire on a ⅝" diameter form. The antenna is a 12" whip.

## FM STEREO TRANSMITTER



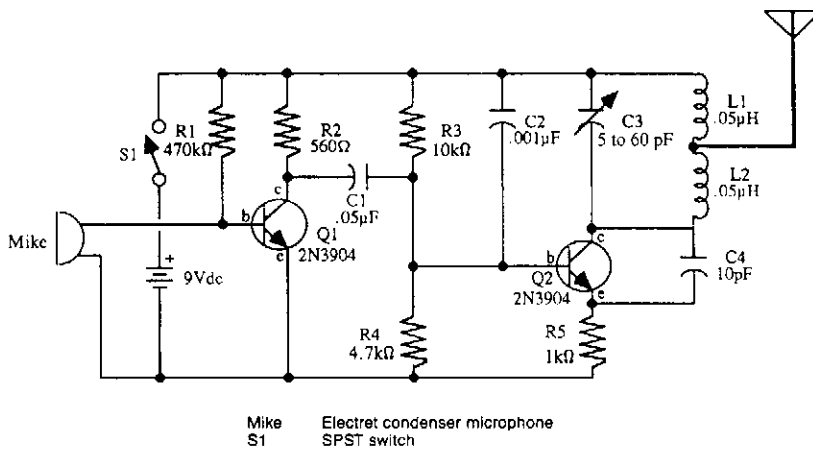
**THE HEART OF THE FM TRANSMITTER** is a BA1404 FM stereo transmitter IC. The left input-signal level is adjusted via R1, pre-emphasis is provided by C1 and R3, and audio is coupled by C10 into the left-channel input. The right-channel input circuitry is identical.

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*Fig. 96-4*

An FM stereo transmitter can be built around the BA1404 IC. This IC has all the functions necessary to generate an FM MPX signal. A separator oscillator circuit uses a 2N5210 transistor instead of the difficult-to-find 38-kHz crystal that is normally used. T1 is a 455-kHz IF transformer with 0.0039- $\mu$ F capacitance added across it to enable tuning to 38 kHz. With this circuit, oscillator stability should be adequate.

## FM BUG

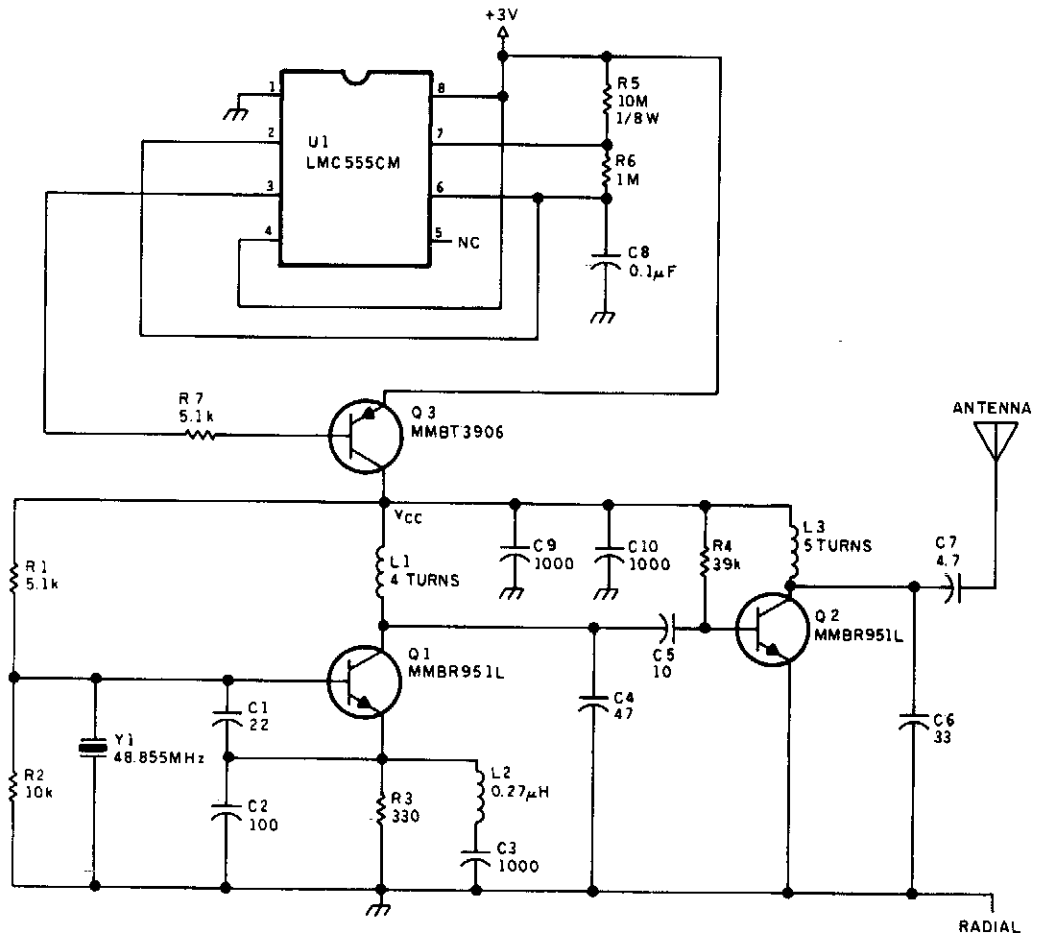


Mike     Electret condenser microphone  
S1     SPST switch

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*Fig. 96-5*

## LOW-POWER VHF BEACON TRANSMITTER



A crystal oscillator and tripler make up the low power beacon transmitter. U1 generates a pulse that keys the transmitter at a 10:1 duty cycle (100 ms on, 1 s off) to conserve battery power. This transmitter was used as a locator beacon.



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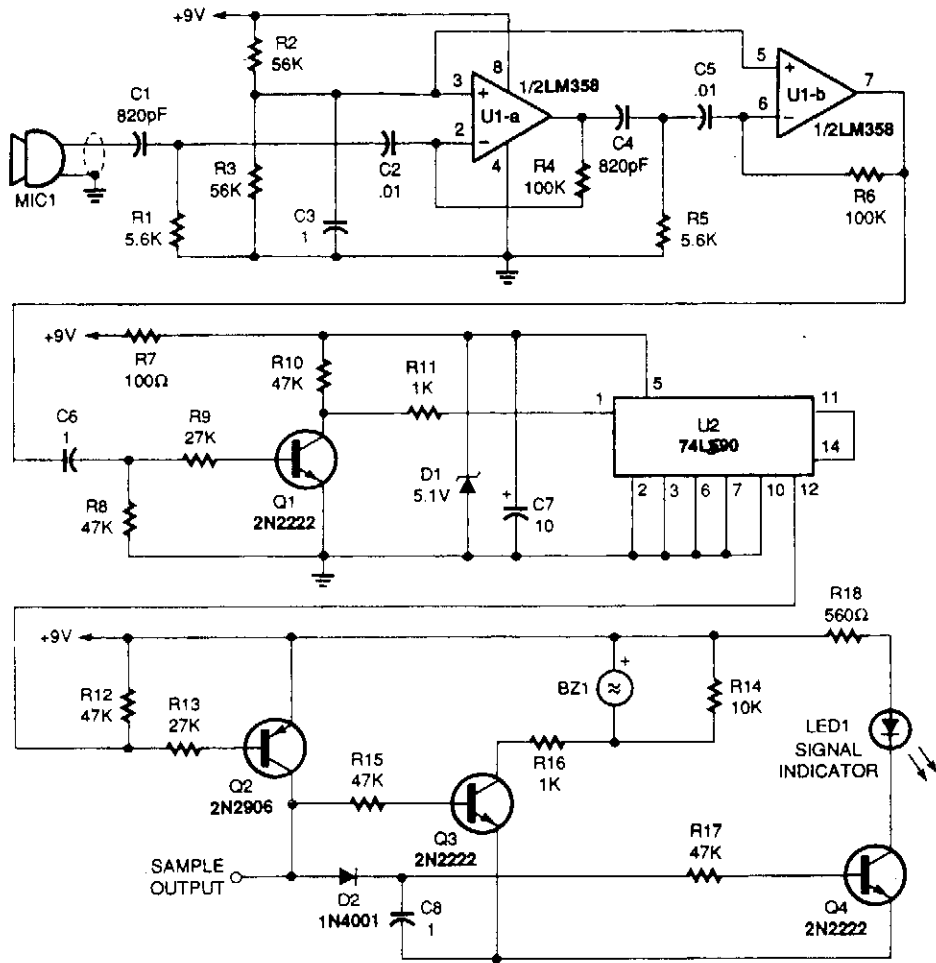
## Ultrasonic Circuits

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Ultrasonic Remote-Control Tester  
Ultrasonic Motion Detector  
Ultrasonic CW Transceiver  
Ultrasonic Proximity Sensor  
Simple Ultrasonic Generator  
Ultrasonic Sound Receiver

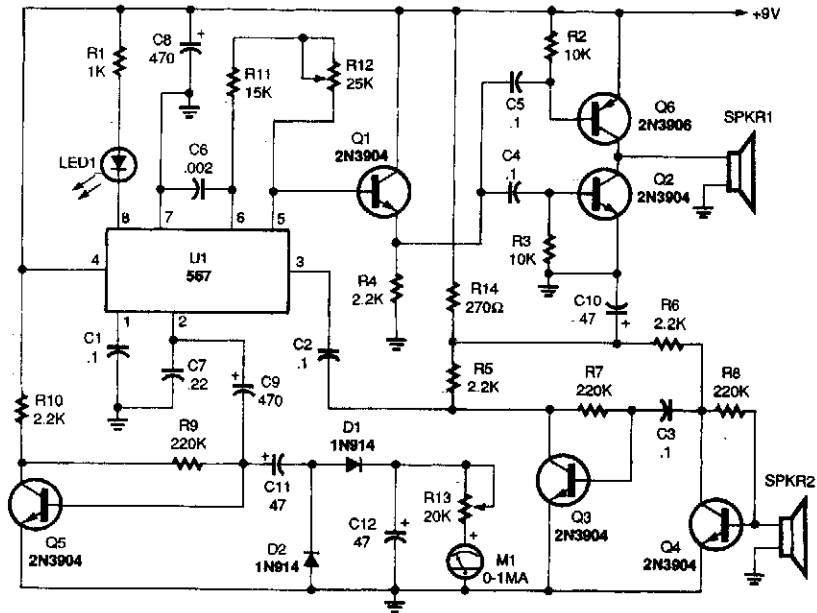
## ULTRASONIC REMOTE-CONTROL TESTER



This circuit picks up the ultrasonic tone via MIC1, amplifies it, and divides it by 10 in IC U2, a 74LS90. The output of U2 drives an audio amplifier and a piezoelectric element is used as a speaker.



## ULTRASONIC MOTION DETECTOR



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**Fig. 97-2**

A 567 PLL IC operates in a dual-function mode as a signal generator and an FM receiver. The 567's square-wave output at pin 5 is coupled to the base of Q1, and from Q1's emitter to the input of the power amplifier (Q2 and Q6). The output drives the piezo speaker, SPKR1.

The receive portion of the circuit operates as follows: transistors Q3 and Q4 are connected in a two-stage, high-gain, audio-frequency amplifier circuit, with the input connected to a second piezo speaker (SPKR2) operating as a sensitive microphone. The amplifier's output is coupled to the 567's input at pin 3. When an in-band signal is received, the LED lights.

The 567's FM output is coupled from pin 2 to the input of a very-low-frequency single-transistor amplifier, Q5. The amplifier's output at Q5's collector drives a voltage-doubler circuit (C11, D1, D2, and C12). The dc output feeds a 0- to 1-mA analog meter.

By placing the two piezo speakers one foot apart and aiming them in the same direction, toward a nonmoving solid object, the signal from the transmitter's speaker will reflect back into the receiver's speaker, and the frequency at the 567's input will be the same as the one being transmitted.

The ac output at pin 2 is zero when the outgoing and incoming frequencies are the same. However, when the signal is reflected from a moving object, the received frequency will be either lower or higher than the transmitted one. If the object is moving away from the speakers, the received frequency will be lower; if the object is moving toward the speakers, the frequency will be higher.

The pin-2 signal is fed through a 470- $\mu$ F capacitor to the base of Q5, where the signal is amplified and fed to a voltage doubler, and then on to a meter circuit.

If you wish, the voltage doubler and meter can be removed and replaced with headphones connected between the negative side of C11 and circuit ground. That will allow you to listen to the difference-frequency signal as objects move in front of the speakers.

## ULTRASONIC CW TRANSCEIVER

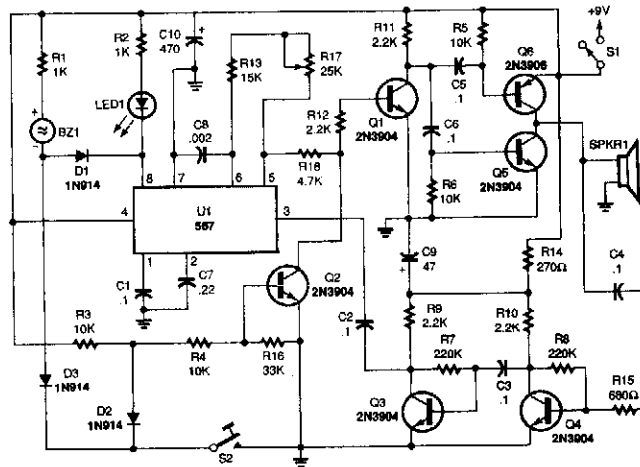


Fig. 97-3

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With the telegraph key at S2 "up" (open), the 567 PLL's input at pin 3 is coupled to the output of Q3. Transistors Q3 and Q4 are operating in a high-gain, two-stage audio-amplifier circuit. The piezo speaker is coupled to the input of the amplifier through a 0.1- $\mu$ F capacitor and a 680- $\Omega$  isolation resistor.

In the receive mode, the piezo speaker operates as a sensitive microphone. Ultrasonic signals travel from the microphone through the two-stage amplifier to the input of the 567, and, if the signal's frequency is within the IC's bandwidth, the LED will light and piezo-sounder BZ1 will sing out for

each "dit" and "dah" received. The receiver can be tuned to the incoming ultrasonic signal by adjusting R17. Of course, adjusting that potentiometer also changes the transmitter's frequency.

The transmitter operates each time the S2 is closed. When the key is closed, diode D3 supplies a path to ground for BZ1, causing that sounder to produce an audible signal for each "dit" and "dah" transmitted. Also, Q2's bias is taken to ground through D2, allowing Q1 to pass the 567's square-wave signal on to the input of the power amplifier and out through the speaker.

## ULTRASONIC PROXIMITY SENSOR

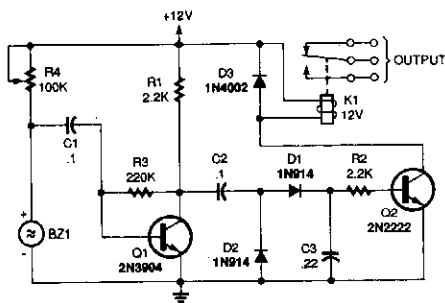


Fig. 97-4

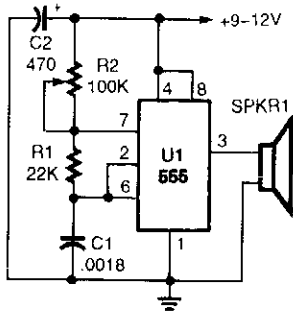
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A 100-k $\Omega$  potentiometer, R4, sets the current fed to the Sonalert sounder. The potentiometer is adjusted to a point where the sounder

just begins to make an audible sound. A single-transistor audio amplifier (Q1) is coupled to the positive side of the sounder and its output is fed to a voltage-doubler circuit. The doubler's dc output drives the base of Q2, which, in turn, operates the relay (K1). As long as the Sonalert is producing a sound, the relay stays energized.

When a solid object is moved in close proximity to the front of the sounder, the Q of the piezo element is lowered and the Sonalert's internal circuit ceases to operate; as a result, the relay drops out. By carefully adjusting R4, the circuit can be made quite sensitive.

## SIMPLE ULTRASONIC GENERATOR

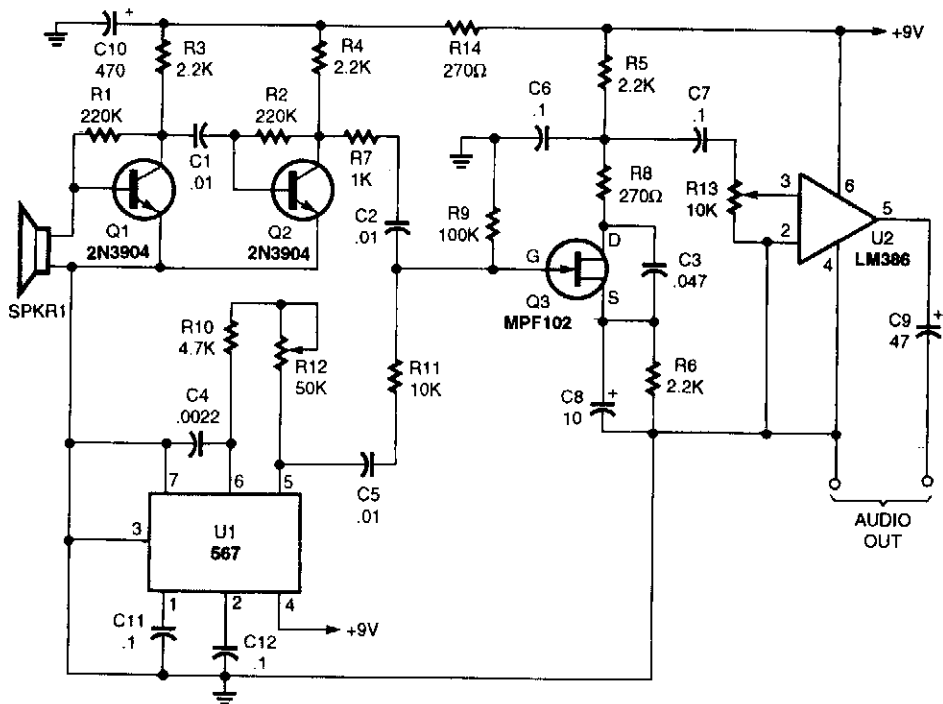


This basic ultrasonic generator can be built easily and quickly. An NE555 drives a speaker. The frequency range is 12 to 50 kHz. SPKR1 is a piezo tweeter, etc.

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Fig. 97-5

## ULTRASONIC SOUND RECEIVER



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Fig. 97-6

You won't be disappointed with the performance of this sensitive ultrasonic receiver. It can let you listen to bugs, bats, engines, and virtually any other source of ultrasonic sounds. This circuit uses a piezo tweeter as an ultrasonic microphone, amplifier stages Q1, Q2, and an LO using a 567 IC. Q3 is a mixer that heterodynes the ultrasonic sounds down to the audible range. U2 is an amplifier that will drive a pair of headphones.

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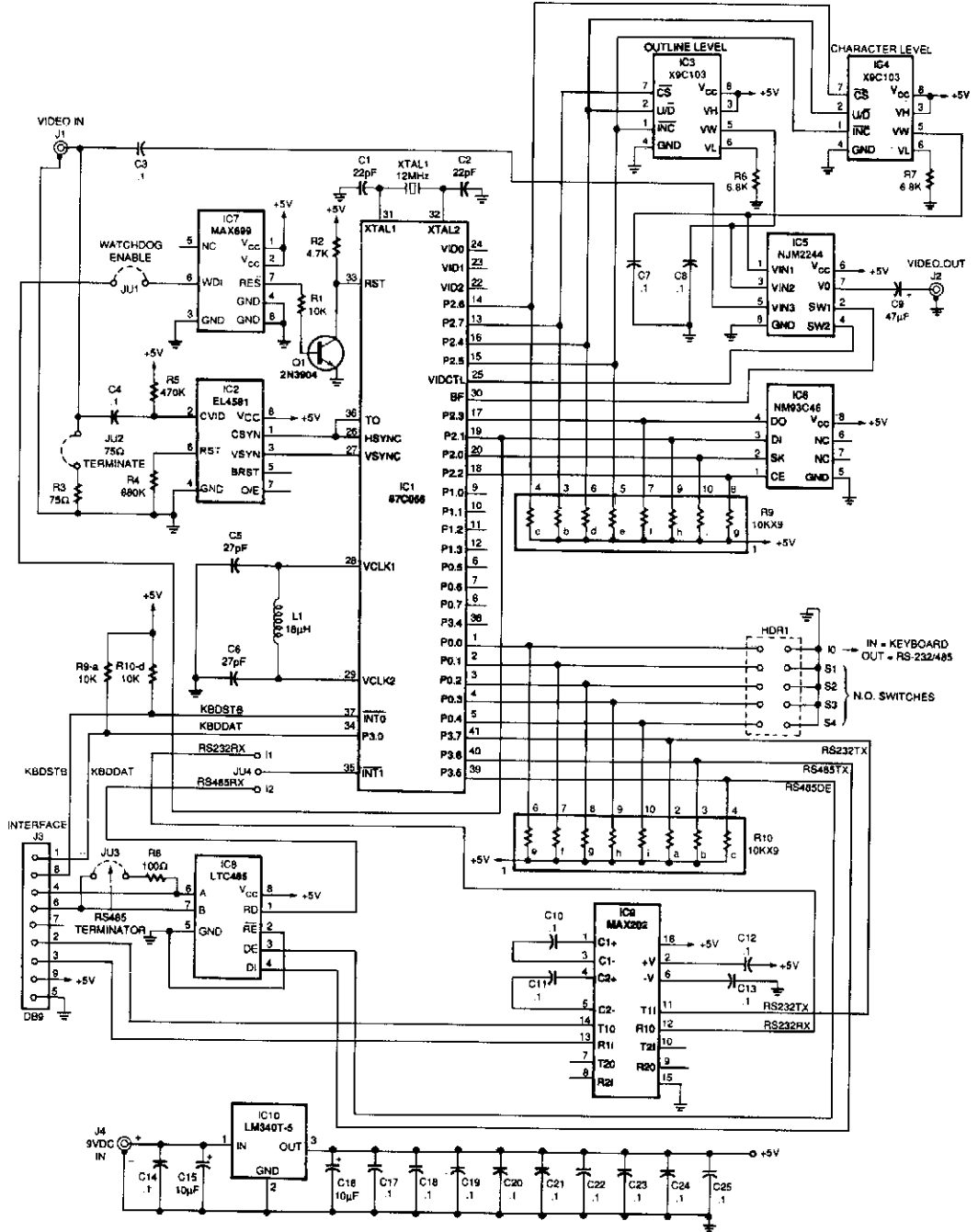
## Video Circuits

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Video Titler  
Video Amplifier  
RGB Video Amplifier  
One-of-Two Video Selector  
NTSC-to-RGB Converter  
Video IF Amplifier/Detector  
Video Cable Driver  
Simple NTSC Gray-Scale Video Generator  
LM1201 Video Amplifier  
Simple Video Gray-Scale Generator European Line Standard  
Video Switch  
Adjustable Video-Cable Equalizer  
Video Summing Amplifier  
Video Amplifier  
Twisted-Pair Video Driver/Receiver Circuit  
250-mA 60-MHz Current-Feedback Amplifier for Video Applications  
Video Driver/Amplifier  
Video Line Driver

# VIDEO TITLER



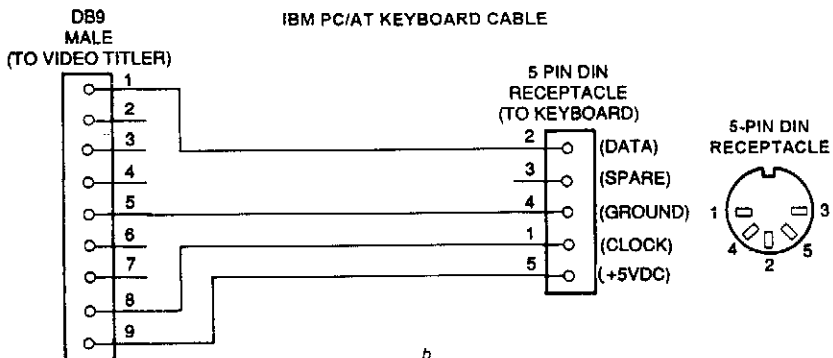
## VIDEO TITLER (Cont.)

### IBM PC/AT RS232 SERIAL CABLE.



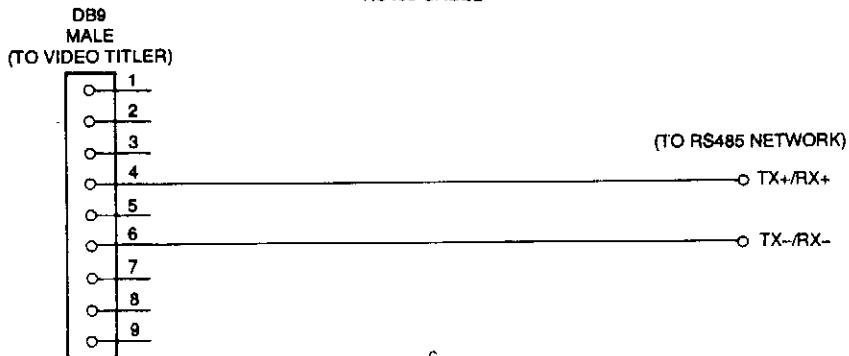
a

### IBM PC/AT KEYBOARD CABLE



b

### RS485 CABLE



c

There is a different cable for each interface. The RS-232 serial cable is shown in a, the PC/AT keyboard cable is shown in b, and the RS-485 cable is shown in c.

## VIDEO TITLER (Cont.)

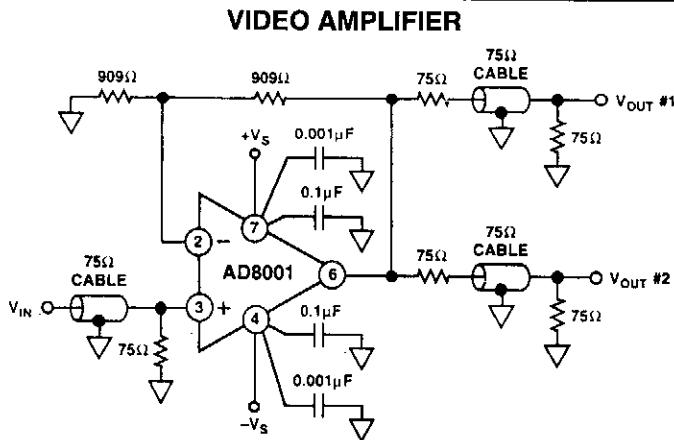
The figure shows the schematic of the video titler circuit. The power-on reset function is generated by IC7, a Maxim MAX699 reset, and watchdog pulse generator. That device supplies a reset pulse of 140 to 500 ms at power-up. This is accomplished with some external parts, as well as the OSD controller in IC1. First, the horizontal and vertical sync from the composite video input is detected by IC2, which is set for NTSC specification horizontal and vertical synchronization timing via resistor R4.

The detected horizontal and vertical sync is fed to IC1. The OSC controller in IC1 uses these signals to internally synchronize the overlay text to the incoming video. The frequency of the dot clock is controlled by components L1, C5, and C6. Text is overlaid by video multiplexer IC5, which is controlled by IC1.

The overlay character outline and intensity are controlled via solid-state potentiometers, allowing the microcontroller to control the position of their wipers and store the settings in an onboard EEPROM. The microcontroller's OSC logic controls the multiplexer timing from the BF (IC1, pin 30) and VIDCTL (IC1, pin 25) signals. The BF signal switches the video multiplexer between character and character-outline video, and VIDCTL switches the multiplexer between the input video and the overlay video from IC1. The dc levels from IC3 and IC4 set the character and outline intensity, and these levels are fed to video multiplexer IC5.

The video titler can store and recall text from EEPROM IC6, which has enough capacity to store one overlay screen and other required data, such as network address, horizontal and vertical overlay fine position, and type of interface.

The RS-232 interface is provided by a MAX202 transceiver. The RS-485 interface is provided by an LTC485 transceiver that provides both transmit and receive functions. The keyboard interface is basically a direct connection to the microprocessor.

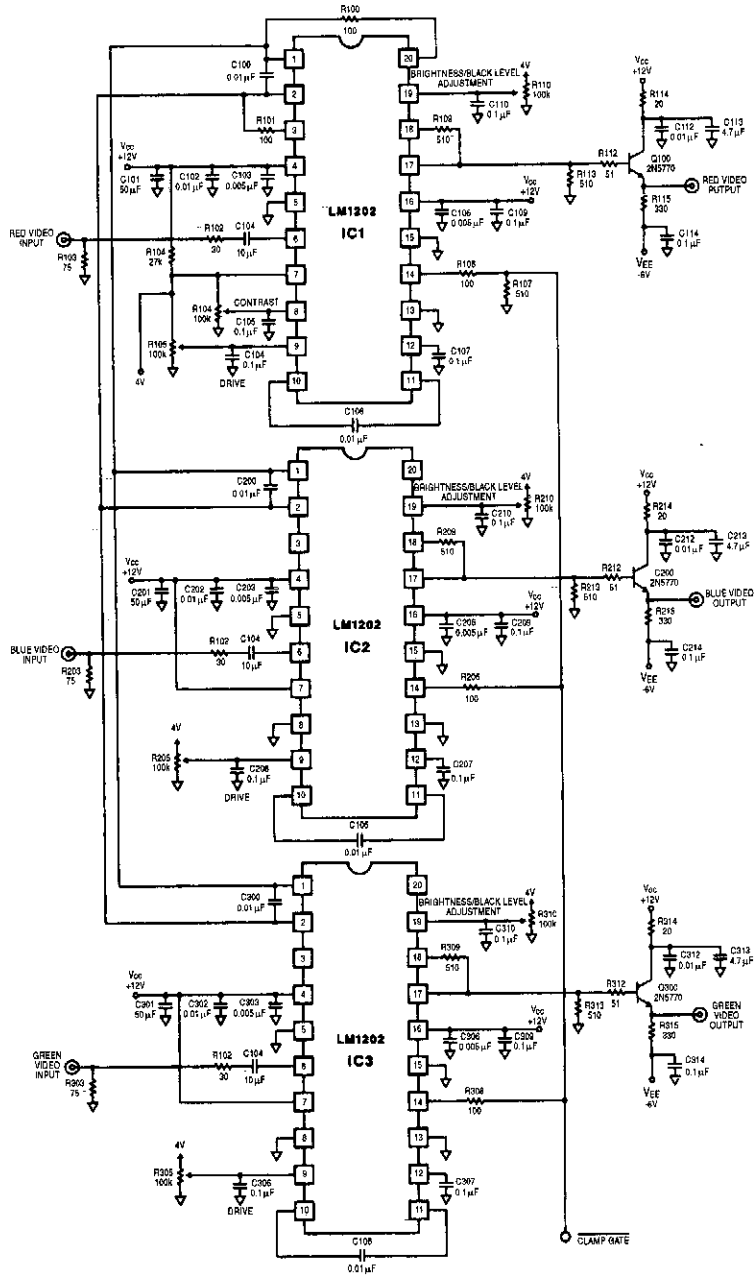


**ANALOG DEVICES**

**Fig. 98-2**

The AD8001 has been designed to offer outstanding performance as a video line driver. The important specification of differential gain (0.01%) and differential phase (0.025°) meet the most exacting HDTV demands for driving one video load. The AD8001 also drives up to two back-terminated loads with equally impressive performance (0.01%, 0.07°). Another important consideration is isolation between loads in a multiple-load application. The AD8001 has more than 40 dB of isolation at 5 MHz when driving two 75-Ω terminated loads.

# RGB VIDEO AMPLIFIER



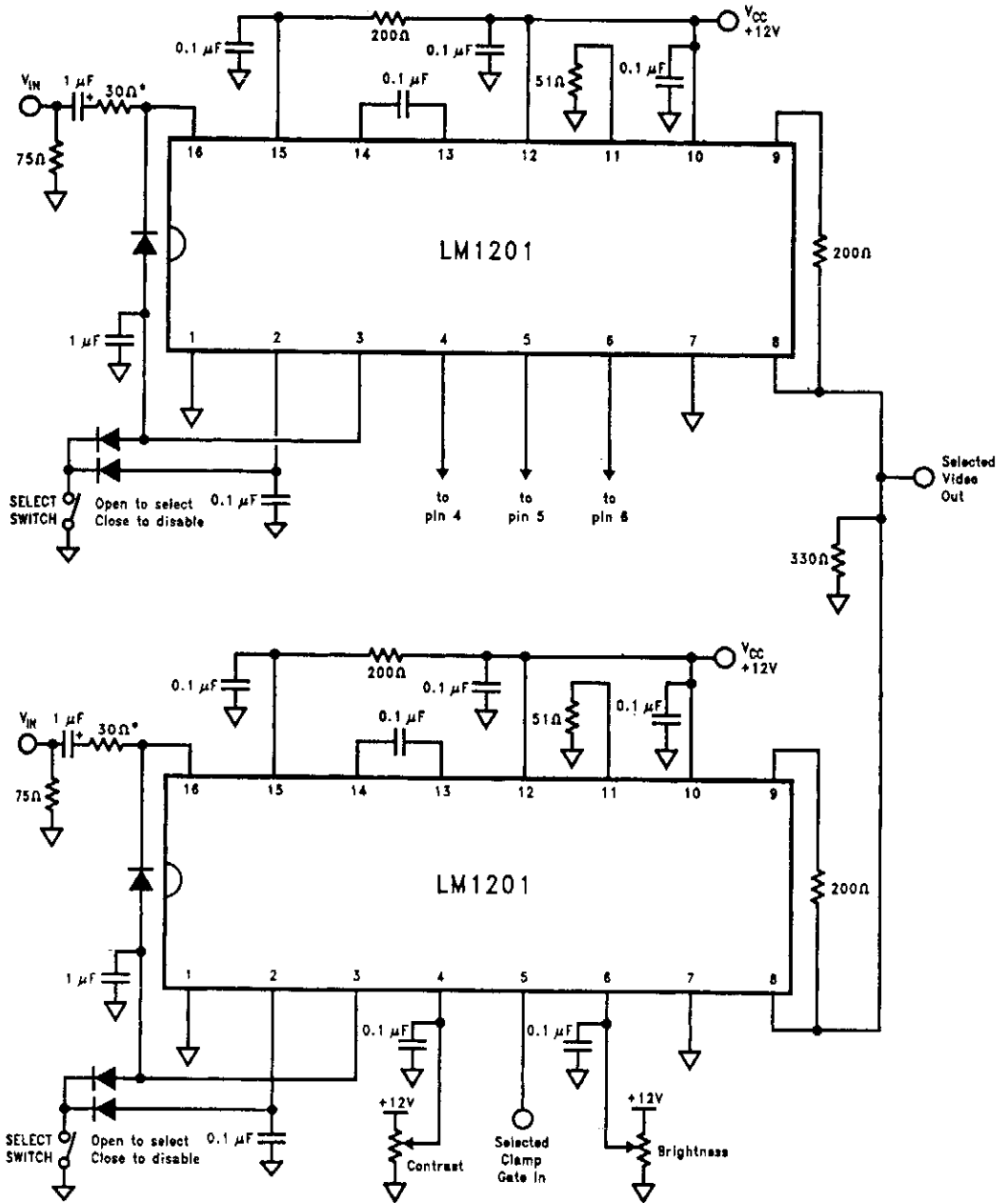
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Fig. 98-3

This circuit is a three-channel RGB video amplifier with individual brightness, black level and drive controls.



# ONE-OF-TWO VIDEO SELECTOR



# NTSC-TO-RGB CONVERTER

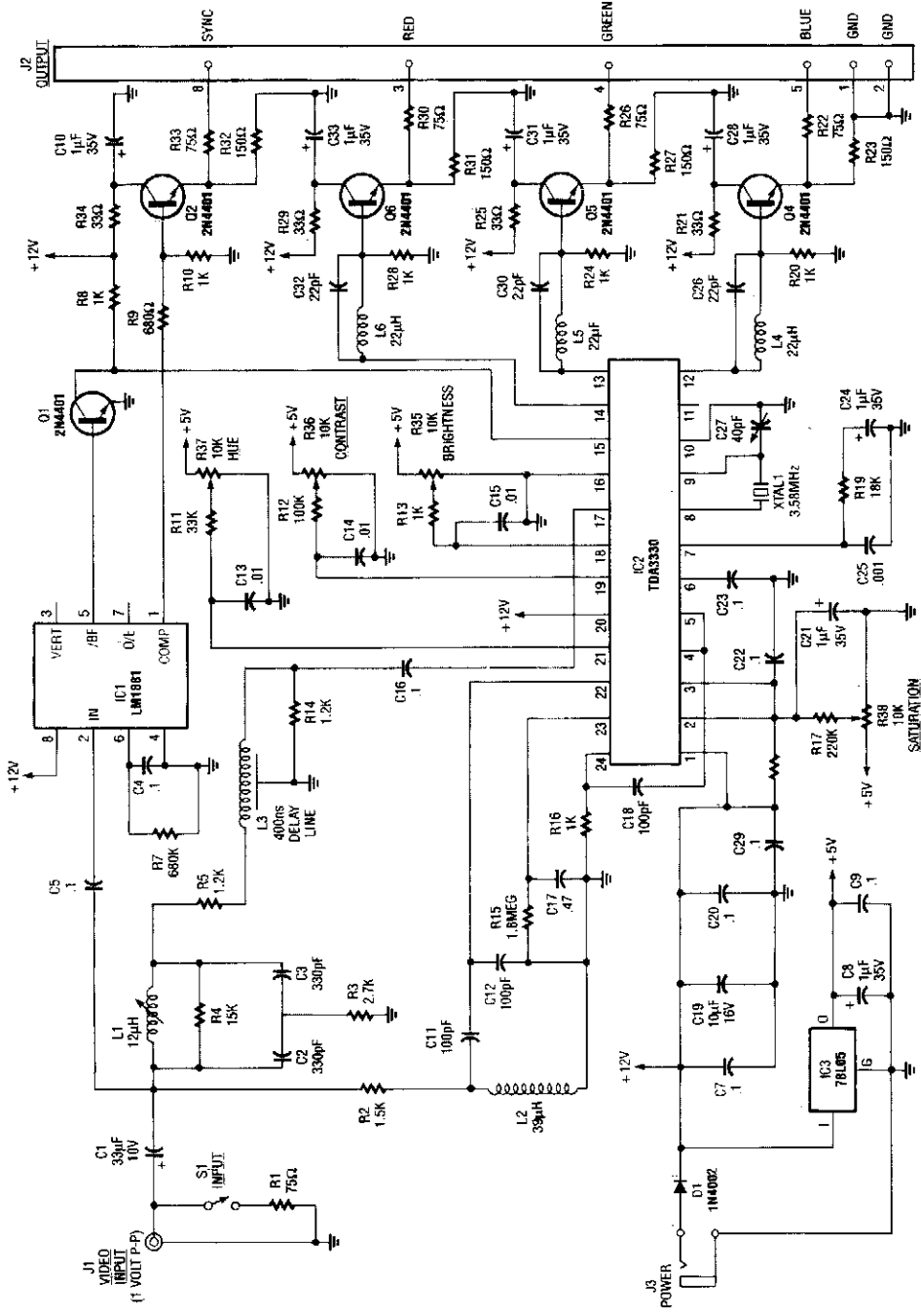


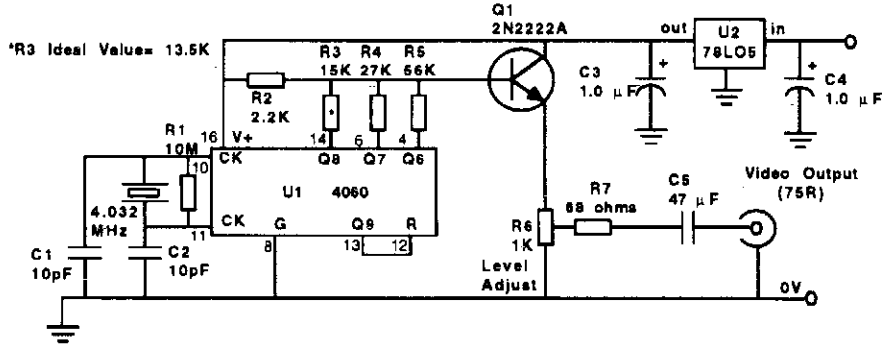
Fig. 98-5

# RADIO-ELECTRONICS

This circuit takes baseband NTSC video, decodes it, and derives RGB video suitable for driving a color multisync computer monitor. This enables the user to take advantage of the generally better resolution of computer monitors.



## SIMPLE NTSC GRAY-SCALE VIDEO GENERATOR

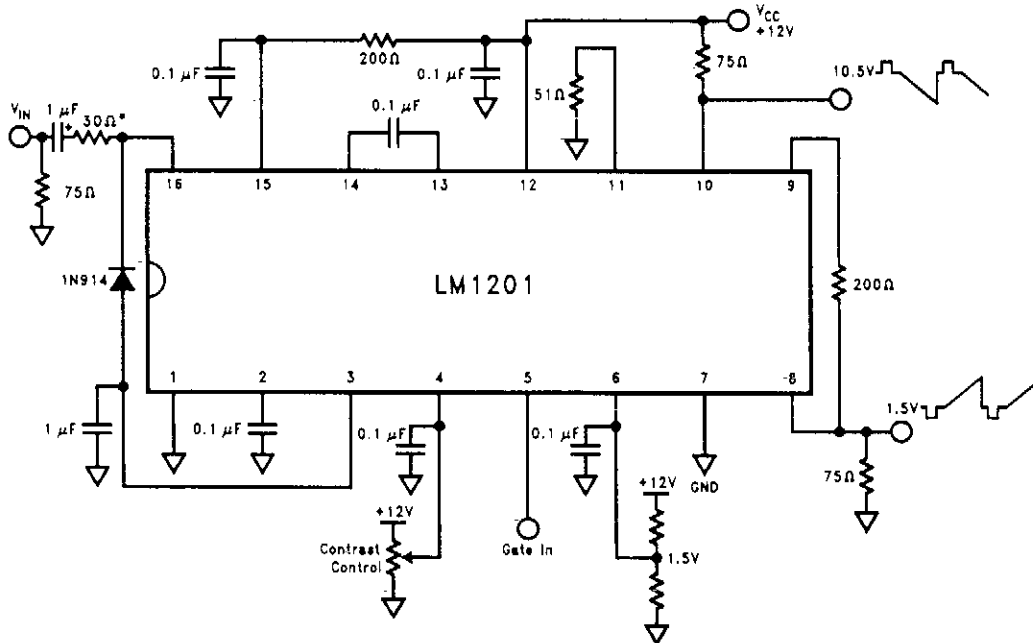


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*Fig. 98-8*

A 4.032-MHz crystal oscillator (256 × horizontal line scan rate) drives a BCD counter. The binary outputs of the counter are fed to R2 through R5, a simple weighting network for D/A conversion, resulting in a staircase video output with a rep rate of 15.75 kHz. This circuit should be useful for amateur TV linearity testing and setup purposes.

## LM1201 VIDEO AMPLIFIER

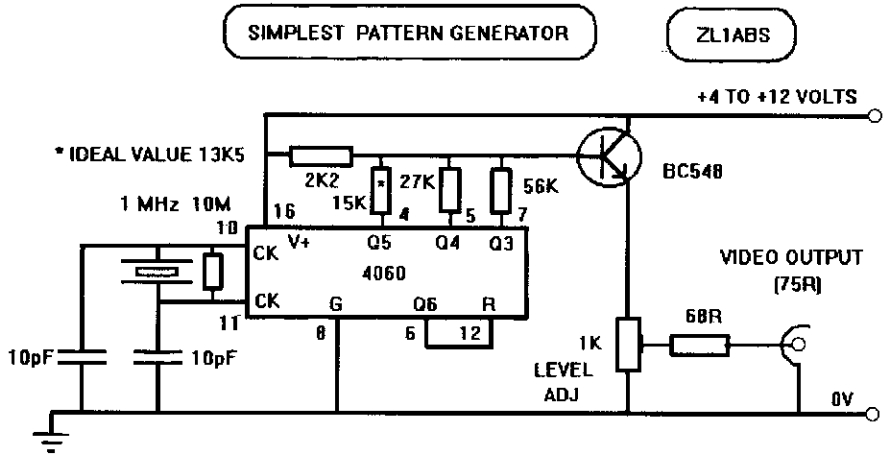


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*Fig. 98-9*

This video amplifier has 75-Ω bi-phase outputs.

# SIMPLE VIDEO GRAY-SCALE GENERATOR EUROPEAN LINE STANDARD

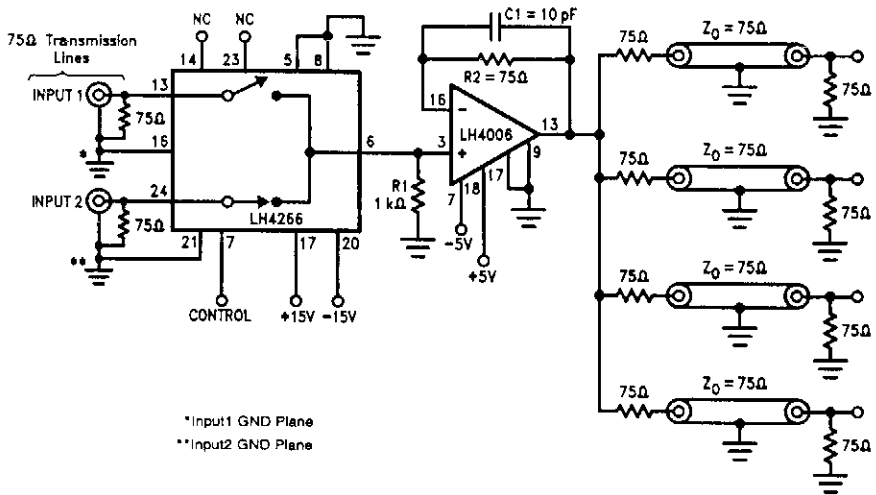


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*Fig. 98-10*

A simple gray-scale generator (staircase waveform) can be obtained with a CD4060 counter, a 1-MHz crystal oscillator, and several resistors to act as an elementary D/A converter to convert the binary count output to analog equivalent. This circuit is for European (PAL) standards.

## VIDEO SWITCH

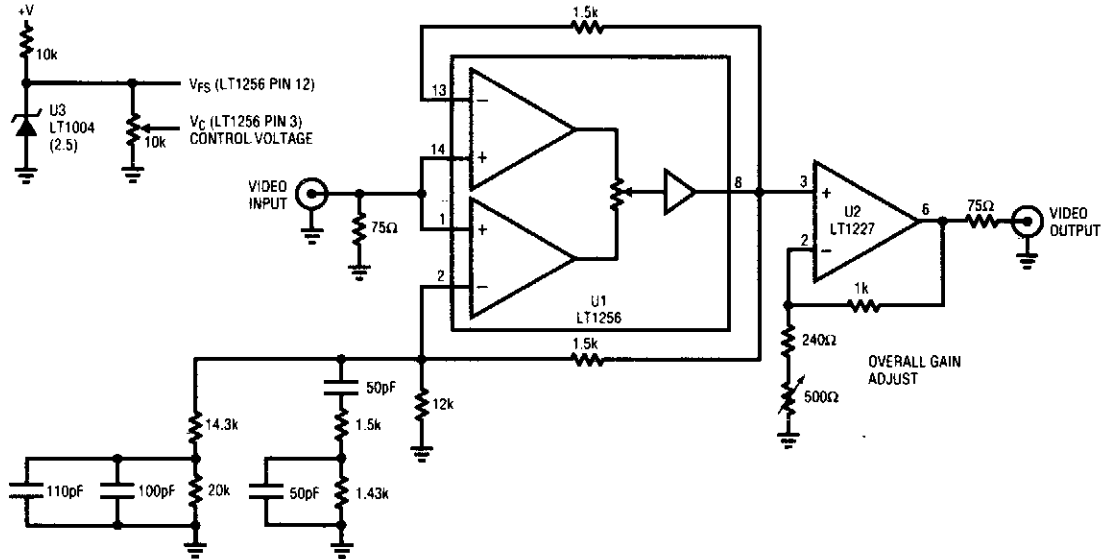


NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR

*Fig. 98-11*

Using National Semiconductor LH4266 and LH4006, this circuit switches one of two inputs to four output (75 Ω) lines.

## ADJUSTABLE VIDEO-CABLE EQUALIZER

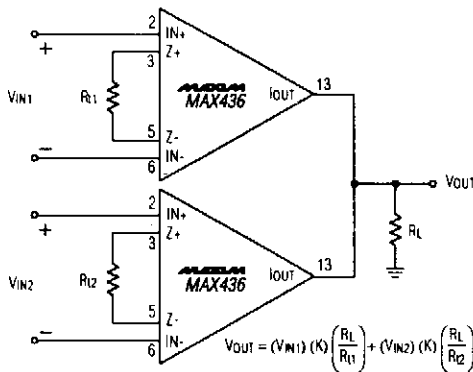


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Fig. 98-12

The figure is a complete schematic of the cable equalizer. The LT1256 (U1) is a two-input/one-output 40-MHz current feedback amplifier with a linear control circuit that sets the amount that each input contributes to the output. One amplifier (input pins 13 and 14) of the LT1256 is configured as a gain of one with no frequency equalization. The other amplifier (input pins 1 and 2) has frequency equalizing components in parallel with the 12-kΩ gain resistor. An additional amplifier (U2, LT1227) is used to set the overall gain. Two amplifiers were used here to make setting the gain a single adjustment, but in a production circuit, the LT1256 can be configured to have the necessary gain and the whole function can be done with one chip.

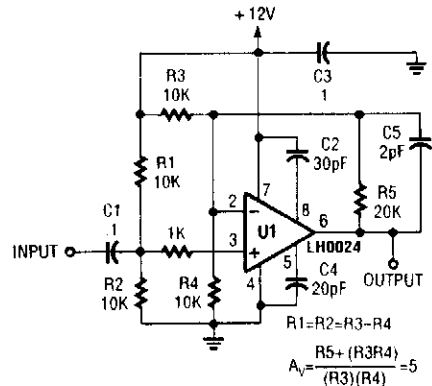
### VIDEO SUMMING AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 98-13

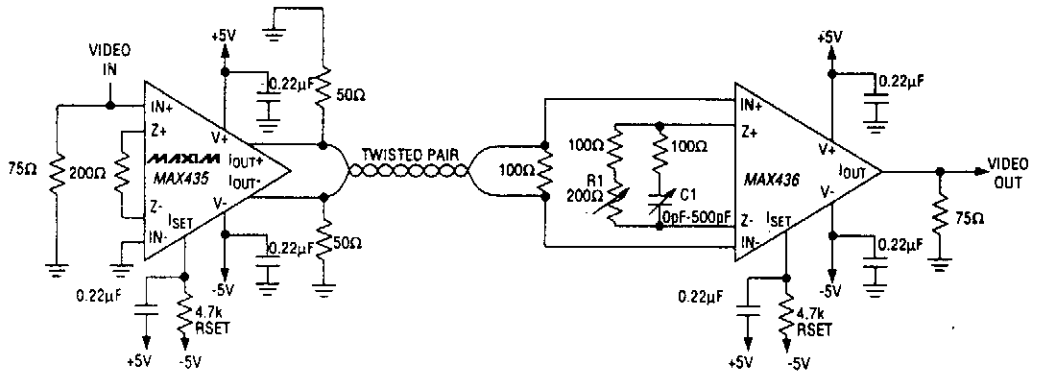
### VIDEO AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 98-14

## TWISTED-PAIR VIDEO DRIVER/RECEIVER CIRCUIT



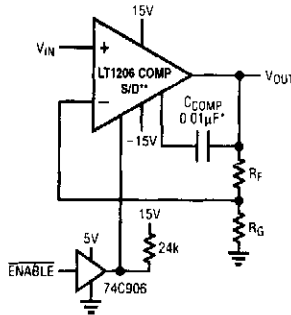
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Fig. 98-15

This circuit should be useful where a twisted-pair video line is to be used. R1 is adjusted for proper gain (monitor brightness and contrast) and C1 is adjusted for best color.

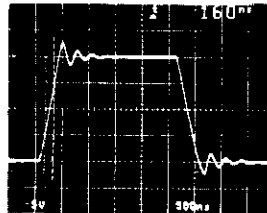
## 250-mA 60-MHz CURRENT-FEEDBACK AMPLIFIER FOR VIDEO APPLICATIONS

### Noninverting Amplifier with Shutdown



\*OPTIONAL USE WITH CAPACITIVE LOADS  
 \*GROUND SHUTDOWN PIN FOR NORMAL OPERATION

### Large-Signal Response, $C_L = 10,000\text{pF}$

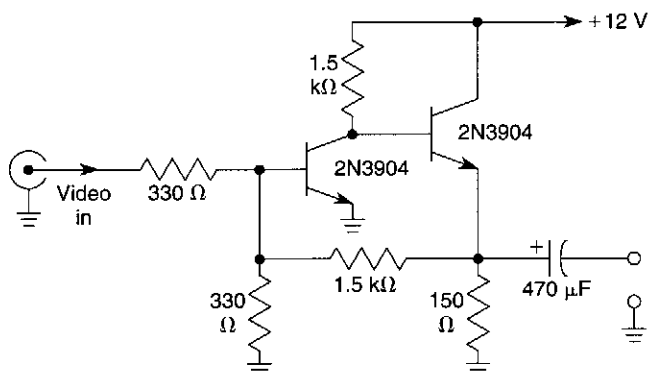


$V_S = \pm 15\text{V}$ ,  $R_L = \infty$ ,  $R_F = R_G = 3\text{k}$

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Fig. 98-16

## VIDEO DRIVER/AMPLIFIER

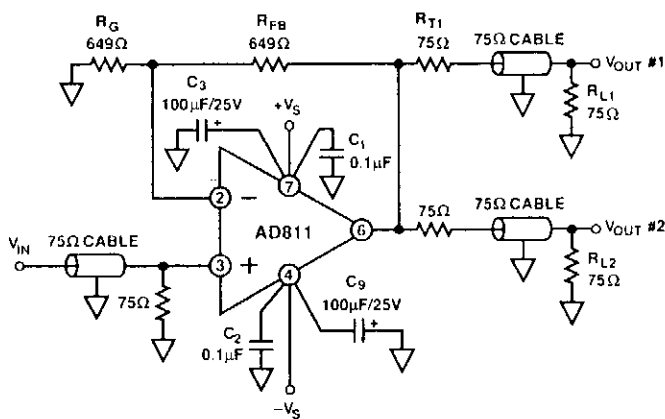


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Fig. 98-17

This simple circuit has a voltage gain of about 5× and will drive low-impedance loads (75 Ω) to 1.5 V p-p or better.

## VIDEO LINE DRIVER



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Fig. 98-18

This video buffer/line driver operates at a gain of +2 and drives a pair of 75-Ω lines with 75-Ω back terminations. The overall terminated gain is unity.



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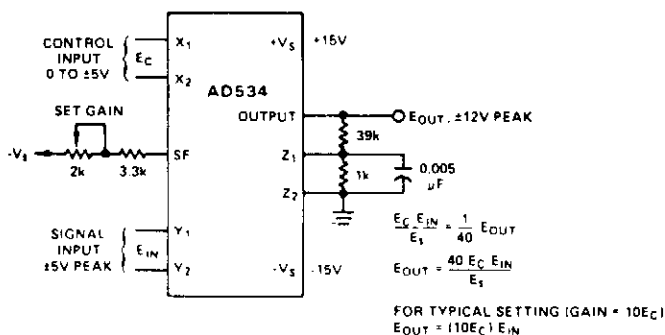
## Voltage-Controlled Amplifier Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Voltage-Controlled Amplifier  
Voltage-Controlled Audio Amplifier

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED AMPLIFIER



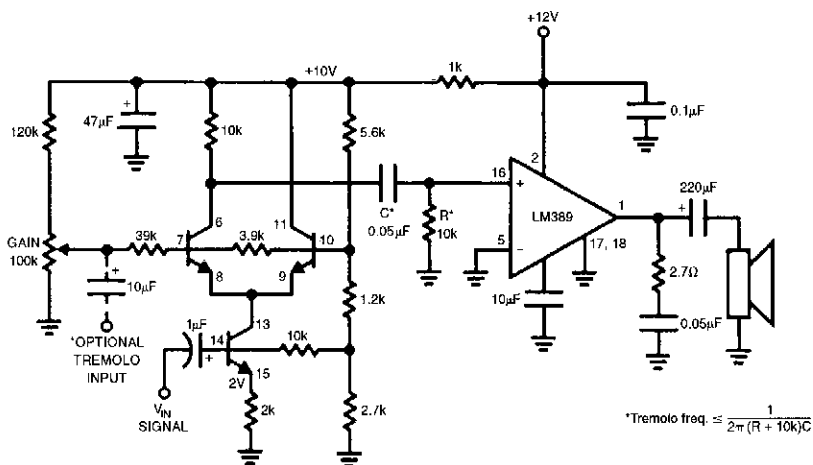
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**Fig. 99-1**

A constant or varying signal applied to the X input,  $E_c$ , controls the gain for a constant or variable signal applied to the Y input,  $E_{in}$ . The inputs could be interchanged.

For this circuit, the "set gain" potentiometer is typically adjusted to provide a calibration for gain of Z 10 per-V-of- $E_c$ . The bandwidth is dc to 30 kHz, independent of the gain. The wideband noise (10 Hz to 30 kHz) is 3 mV rms, typically, corresponding to full-scale signal-to-noise of 70 dB. Noise, referred to the signal input ( $E_c = \pm 5$  V) is 60  $\mu$ V rms, typically.

## VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED AUDIO AMPLIFIER



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**Fig. 99-2**

The LM389 has internal transistors used in this circuit.

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## Voltage-Controlled Oscillator Circuits

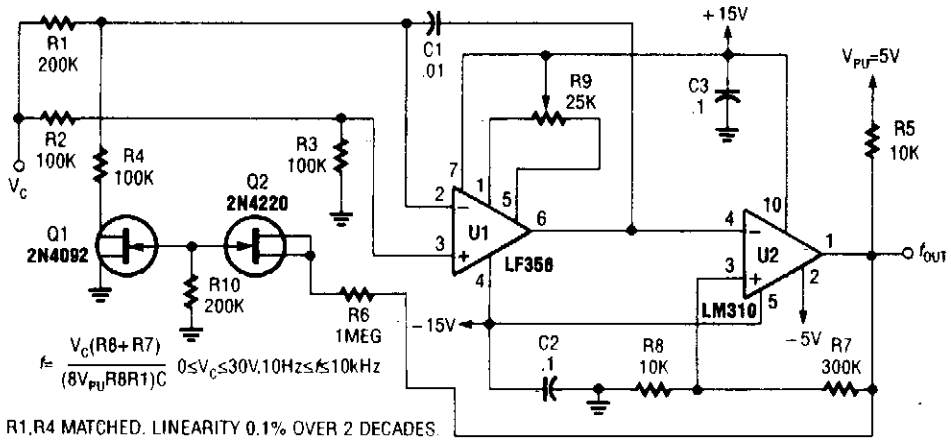
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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

Three-Decade VCO

Voltage-Controlled Two-Phase Oscillator

### THREE-DECADE VCO

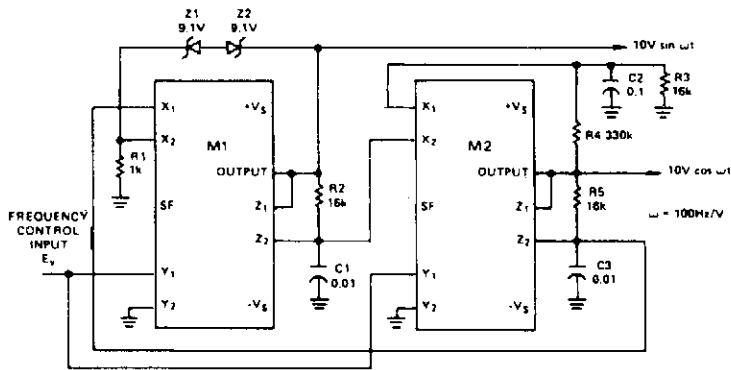


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Fig. 100-1

A range of 10 Hz to 10 kHz is covered by this circuit.

### VOLTAGE-CONTROLLED TWO-PHASE OSCILLATOR



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Fig. 100-2

This circuit uses two multipliers for integration-with-controllable-time-constants in a feedback loop. R2 and R5 will be recognized in the AD534 voltage-to-current configuration; the currents are integrated in C1 and C3, and the voltages they develop are connected at high impedance in proper polarity to the X inputs of the "next" AD534. The frequency-control input, E<sub>V</sub>, varies the integrator gains, with a sensitivity of 100 Hz/V, and frequency error typically less than 0.1% of full scale from 0.1 V to 10 V (10 Hz to 1 kHz). C2 (proportional to C1 and C3), R3, R4 provide regenerative damping to start and maintain oscillation. Z<sub>1</sub> and Z<sub>2</sub> stabilize the amplitude at low distortion by degenerative damping above ±10 V.

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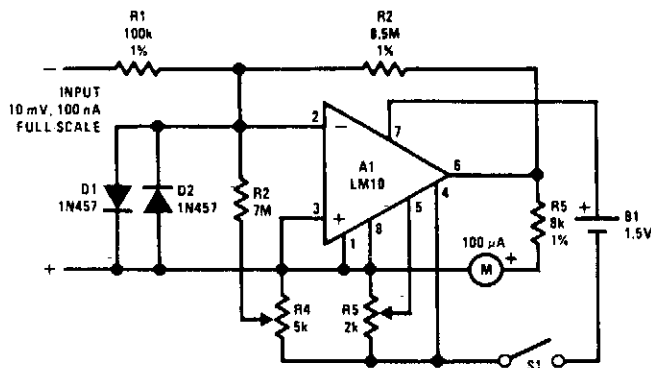
## Voltage-Measuring Circuits

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Meter Amplifier for 1.5-V Supply  
Voltage Monitor  
ac Voltmeter Has Unique Features  
dc Voltmeter  
Expanded-Scale dc Meter for 12-V Systems  
Simple 3-Digit DVM  
Inexpensive Voltage Calibrator  
Double-Ended Voltage Monitor  
Audible Voltage Indicator  
Low-Drain Meter Amplifier

## METER AMPLIFIER FOR 1.5-V SUPPLY

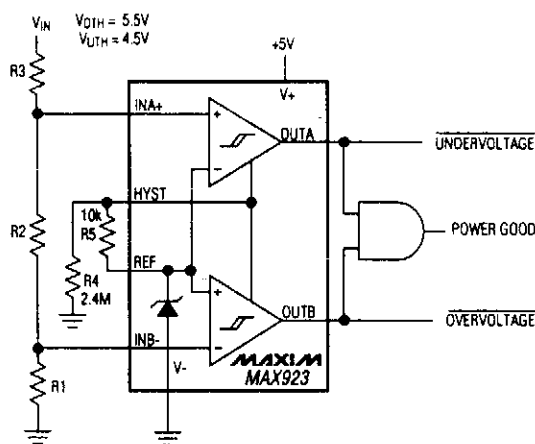


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Fig. 101-1

An LM10 is used as a meter amplifier. Accuracy can be maintained over a 15°C to 55°C range for a full-scale sensitivity of 10 mV and 100 nA. The offset voltage error is nulled with R5, and the bias current can be balanced out with R4. The zeroing circuits operate from the reference output and are essentially unaffected by changes in battery voltage, so frequent adjustments should not be necessary. Total current drain is under 0.5 mA, giving an approximate life of 3 to 6 months with an "AA" cell and over a year with a "D" cell. With these lifetimes, an ON/OFF switch might be unnecessary. A test switch that converts to a battery-test mode might be of greater value.

## VOLTAGE MONITOR

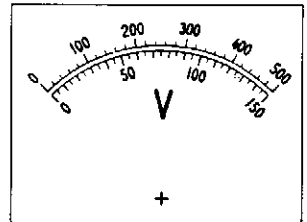
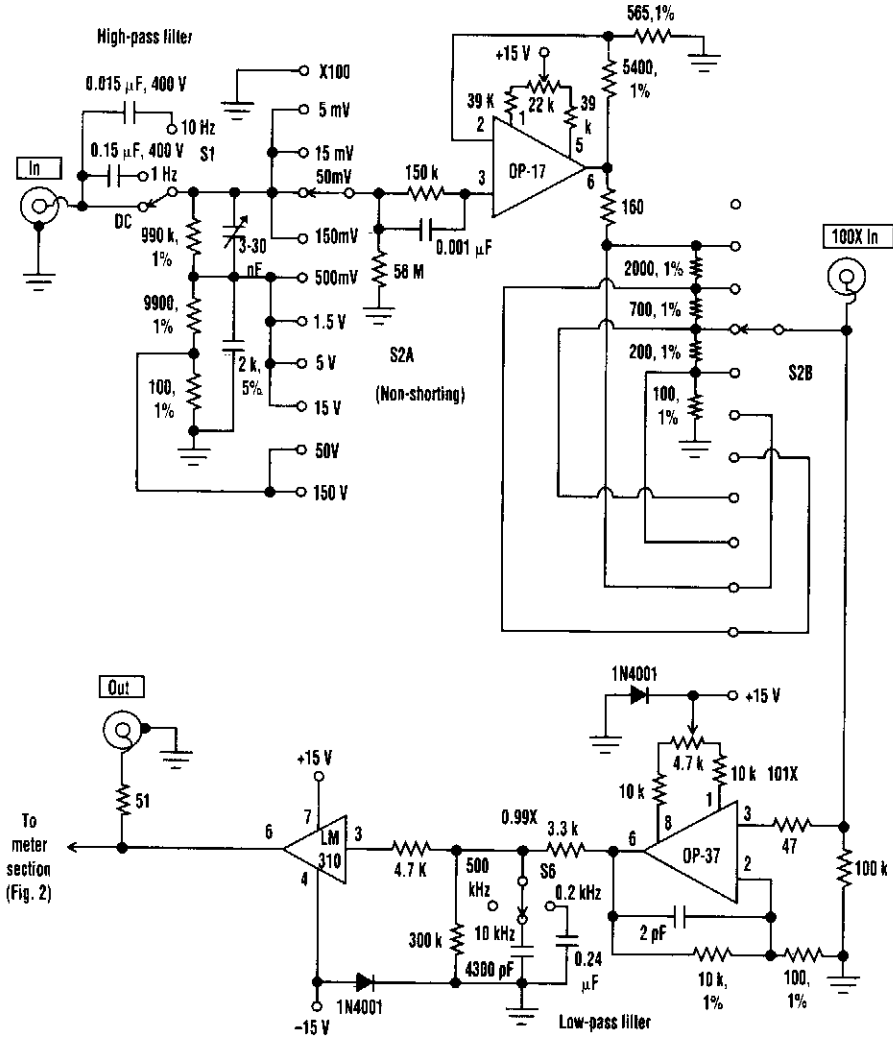


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Fig. 101-2

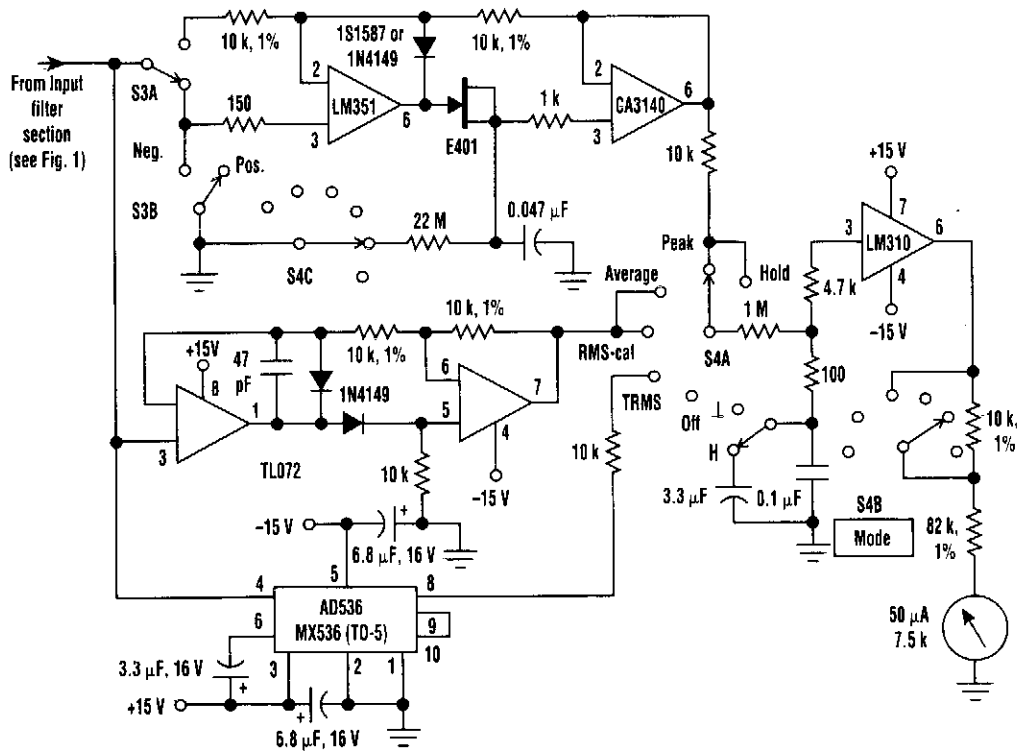
A MAX923 dual comparator is used as a window detector. For a threshold of 4.5 V and 5.5 V,  $R_1 = 1.068 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 61.9 \text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $R_3 = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ .

# ac VOLTMETER HAS UNIQUE FEATURES



THIS meter scale can be enlarged on a copier and attached to a meter face for the dual-scale ac voltmeter.

## ac VOLTMETER HAS UNIQUE FEATURES (Cont.)



Though it's built with standard components, this ac voltmeter contains many features not typically found in commercial meters; the most unusual is a selection of rectification modes. The meter responses available include true RMS (TRMS), average, RMS-calibrated average responding, positive peak, negative peak, positive-peak hold, and negative-peak hold.

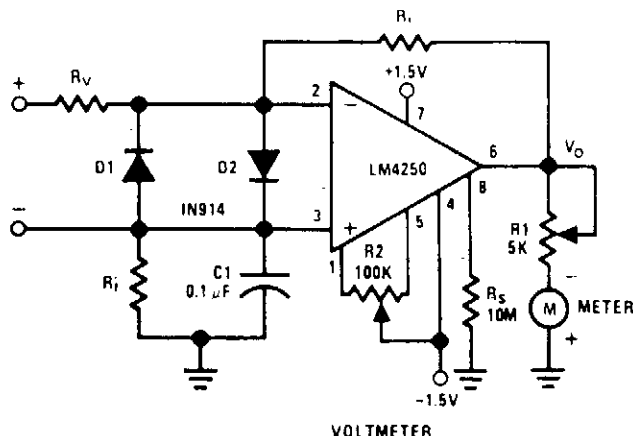
High- and low-pass filters (S1 and S6, respectively) allow the -3-dB-passband to be varied from as little as 10 Hz to 200 Hz, to as wide as dc to 500 kHz. The low-pass filter also is effective in the 100× amplifier mode, where the input equivalent noise level is only 0.3 μV, with 10-kHz roll-off.



## dc VOLTMETER

**Resistance Values for a DC Voltmeter**

| V FULL SCALE | $R_V$ [ $\Omega$ ] | $R_f$ [ $\Omega$ ] | $R'_f$ [ $\Omega$ ] |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 10 mV        | 100k               | 1.5M               | 1.5M                |
| 100 mV       | 1M                 | 1.5M               | 1.5M                |
| 1V           | 10M                | 1.5M               | 1.5M                |
| 10V          | 10M                | 300k               | 0                   |
| 100V         | 10M                | 30k                | 0                   |

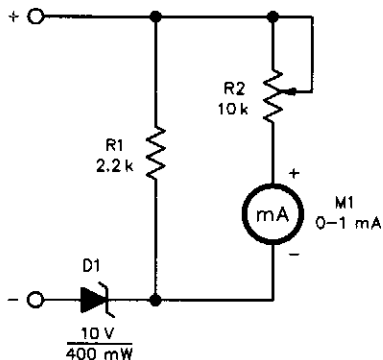


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*Fig. 101-4*

A wide-range voltmeter circuit. This inverting amplifier has a gain varying from  $-30$  for the 10-mV full-scale range to  $-0.003$  for the 100-V full-scale range. Diodes D1 and D2 provide complete amplifier protection for input overvoltages as high as 500 V on the 10-mV range, but if overvoltages of this magnitude are expected under continuous operation, the power rating of  $R_V$  should be adjusted accordingly.

## EXPANDED-SCALE dc METER FOR 12-V SYSTEMS

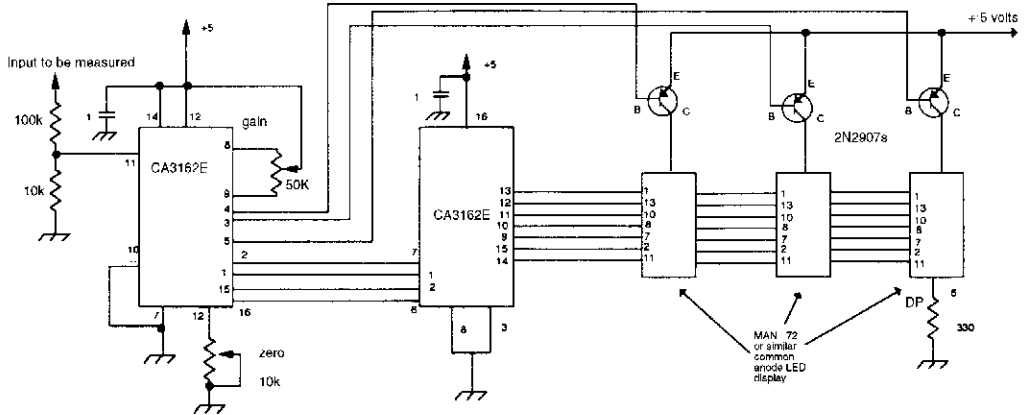


This circuit can be used to monitor a 12-V system with a meter reading 10 V to another voltage. Expect 10 to 20 V, depending on the setting of R2. Depending on the characteristics of D1, R1 might be increased or eliminated entirely.

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*Fig. 101-5*

## SIMPLE 3-DIGIT DVM

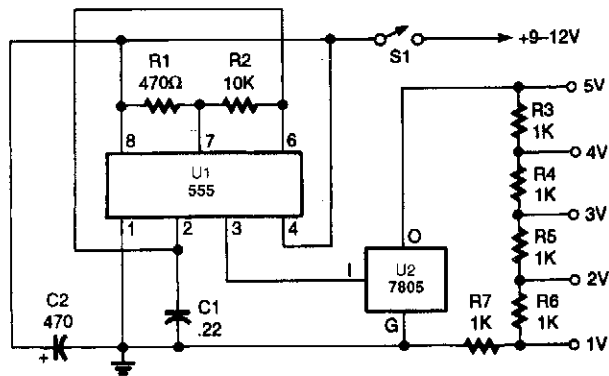


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**Fig. 101-6**

A CA3162ZE A-D converter drives a CA3161 BCD decoder/driver and LED display to form a simple DVM circuit. The 50-k $\Omega$  gain control and 100-k $\Omega$ /10-k $\Omega$  voltage divider determine full-scale range.

## INEXPENSIVE VOLTAGE CALIBRATOR

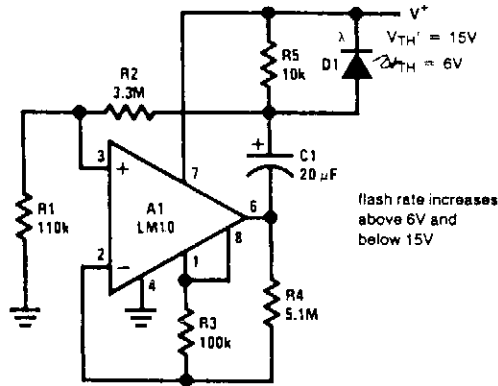


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**Fig. 101-7**

In the voltage calibrator, two low-cost ICs—a 555 oscillator/timer and a 78055 5-V 1.5-A voltage regulator—along with a precision voltage divider network are used to provide outputs of 1- to 5-V peak-to-peak.

## DOUBLE-ENDED VOLTAGE MONITOR



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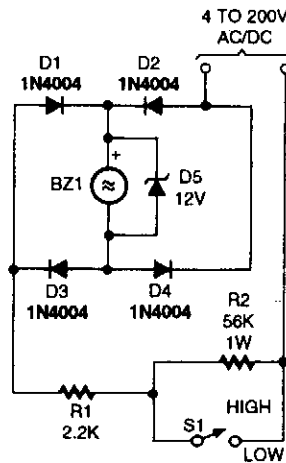
Fig. 101-8

This circuit has the added feature that it can sense an over-voltage condition. The lower activation threshold is given by equation (1), but above a threshold,

$$V_{TH} = \frac{R4(R_1 + R_2) V_{REF}}{R_1(R_3 + R_4) - R3(R_1 + R_2)}$$

oscillation again ceases. Below  $V_{TH}$ , the op amp output is saturated negative, but above  $V_{TH}$ , it is saturated positive. The flash rate approaches zero near either limit.

## AUDIBLE VOLTAGE INDICATOR

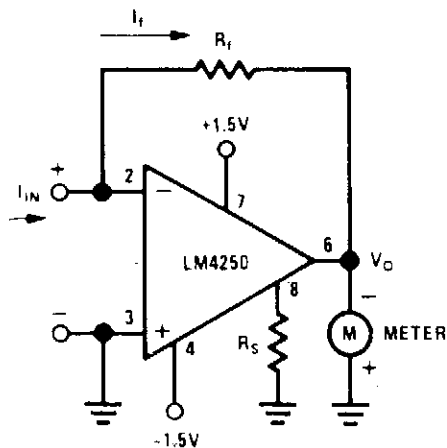


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Fig. 101-9

The audible voltmeter can be used to test for ac or dc voltages in a circuit. With S1 closed, the circuit can be used to test for voltages between 4 and 24 V, and when S1 is open, it can be used to check for the presence voltages of up to 200 V.

## LOW-DRAIN METER AMPLIFIER



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Fig. 101-10

Meter amplifiers normally require one or two 9-V transistor batteries. Because of the heavy current drain on these supplies, the meters must be switched to the OFF position when not in use. The meter circuit described here operates on two 1.5-V flashlight batteries and has a quiescent power drain so low that no on/off switch is needed. A pair of Eveready No. 950 "D" cells will serve for a minimum of one year without replacement. As a dc ammeter, the circuit will provide current ranges as low as 100 nA full-scale.

The basic meter amplifier circuit shown is a current-to-voltage converter. Negative feedback around the amplifier ensures that currents  $I_{IN}$  and  $I_f$  are always equal, and the high gain of the op amp ensures that the input voltage between pins 2 and 3 is in the microvolt region. Output voltage  $V_o$  is therefore equal to  $-I_f R_f$ . Considering the  $\pm 1.5$ -V sources ( $\pm 1.2$  V end of life) a practical value of  $V_o$  for full-scale meter deflection is 300 mV. With the master bias-current setting resistor ( $R_s$ ) set at  $10\text{ M}\Omega$ , the total quiescent current drain of the circuit is  $0.6\ \mu\text{A}$  for a total power supply drain of  $1.8\ \mu\text{W}$ . The input bias current, required by the amplifier at this low level of quiescent current, is in the range of 600 pA.

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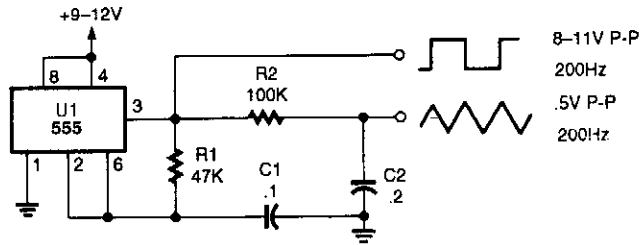
## Waveform Generator Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

- Simple Triangle Waveform Generator
- Triangle-Wave Generator
- Generate Accurate PWM Signals
- Triangle-Wave Generator
- Low-Frequency Pulse Generator
- Sine/Cosine Audio Generator for Galvanometer Experiments
- Basic 555 Monostable
- Op-Amp Sawtooth Generator
- Digital Sine-Wave Generator
- Signal Source for Audio Amplifier/Inverter
- Simple Test Signal Generator

## SIMPLE TRIANGLE WAVEFORM GENERATOR



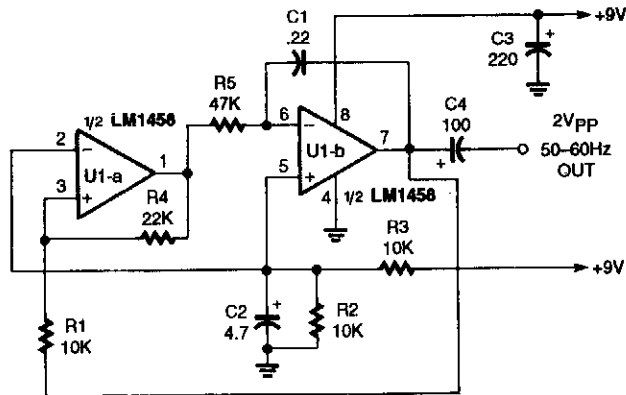
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**Fig. 102-1**

The circuit is a triangle waveform-generator circuit that uses as few parts as possible. A 555 timer IC, two resistors, and two capacitors make the triangle waveform. The IC is connected in a 50% duty-cycle astable square-wave oscillator circuit. The square-wave output is fed from pin 3 of the IC to an RC shaping circuit.

When the 555's square-wave output goes high, C<sub>2</sub> begins to charge through R<sub>2</sub> and the voltage across C<sub>2</sub> increases as long as the output remains high. When the IC's output goes low again, C<sub>2</sub> begins to discharge through R<sub>2</sub> reducing the voltage across C<sub>2</sub> as long as the output remains low. The resulting waveform across C<sub>2</sub> takes the shape of a triangle. The best waveform linearity is obtained when R<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> are made as large as possible. With the component values shown, the peak-to-peak output is 0.5 V at a frequency of about 200 Hz.

## TRIANGLE-WAVE GENERATOR

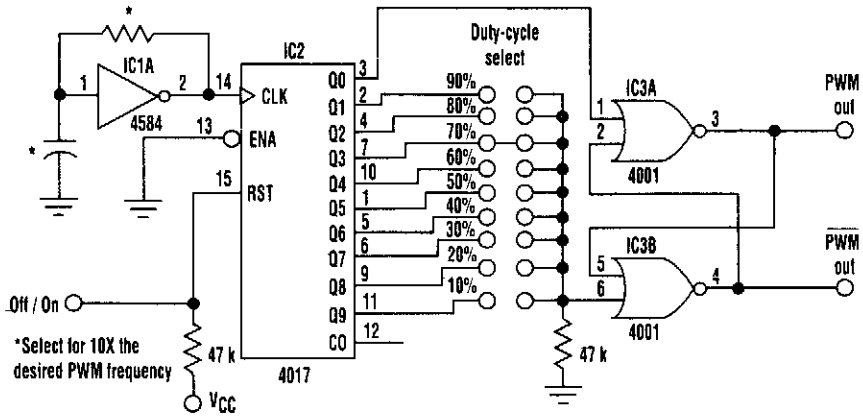


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**Fig. 102-2**

This oscillator, which is built around an LM1458 dual op amp and a few inexpensive components, produces a 2-V peak-to-peak, triangular waveform.

## GENERATE ACCURATE PWM SIGNALS



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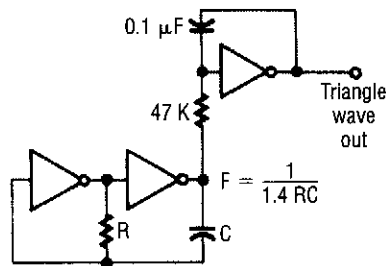
**Fig. 102-3**

Accurate 10 to 90% duty-cycle PWM signals can be generated using this simple circuit setup. The desired duty cycle is selected by a single jumper block. PWM clock IC1 runs at 10x the desired pulse drive frequency. IC2, a 4017 divide-by-10 counter, decodes the clock pulses into one of 10 outputs. Output 0 resets IC3, the PWM latch. The latch stays reset until the desired duty-cycle output set by the jumper block is reached. At this point, the PWM latch is set, and the PWM output line remains high until output 0 is decoded again.

By calling IC2's output (0) the "reset" line for the latch, the PWM output is forced inactive if the jumper strap is removed to change duty cycles without first powering down.

Using the zero-state reset allows IC2's reset pin to be used as an on/off control line for the circuit. The complementary PWM output could be used in a full bridge design.

## TRIANGLE-WAVE GENERATOR

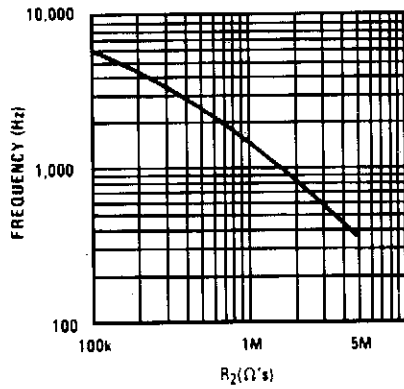
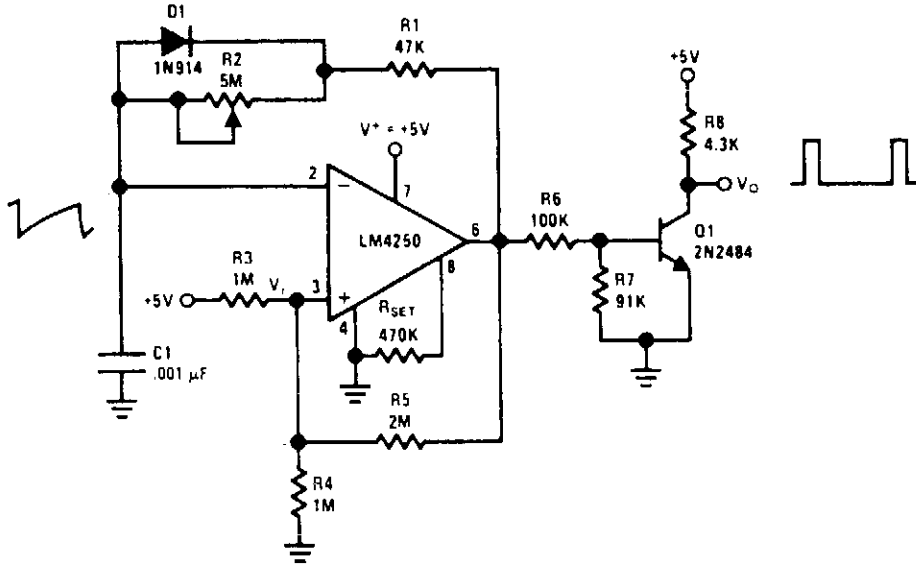


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**Fig. 102-4**

The first two gates are set up as a square-wave oscillator, and the last one makes the conversion to triangle waves.

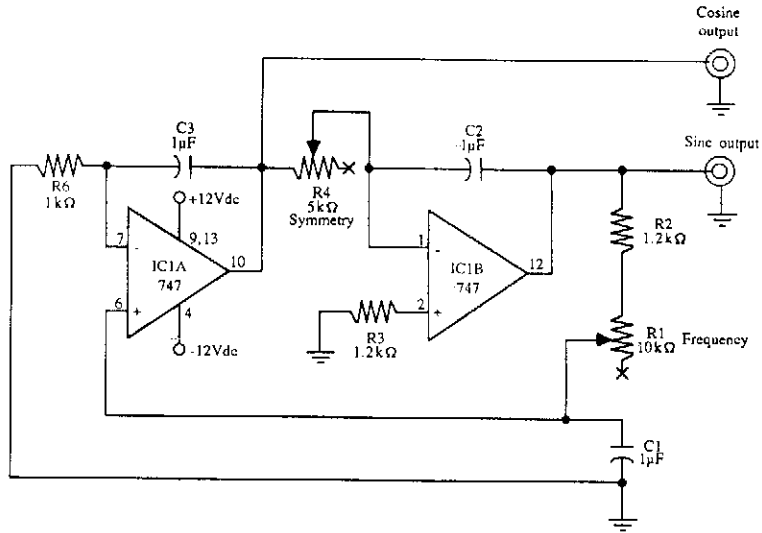
## LOW-FREQUENCY PULSE GENERATOR



*Pulse frequency vs.  $R_2$*



## SINE/COSINE AUDIO GENERATOR FOR GALVANOMETER EXPERIMENTS



C1 - C3 1  $\mu$ F polarized electrolytic  
 IC1 LM747 dual op amp IC  
 J1, J2 1/8-inch miniature phone jack

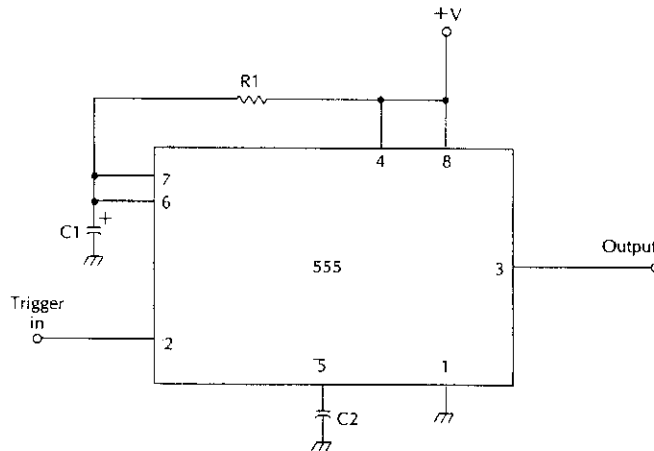
All resistors are 5 to 10 percent tolerance, 1/4 watt.  
 All capacitors are 10 to 20 percent tolerance, rated at 35 volts or more.

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Fig. 102-6

This circuit shows how to implement a sine/cosine audio generator for operating two galvanometers.

## BASIC 555 MONOSTABLE

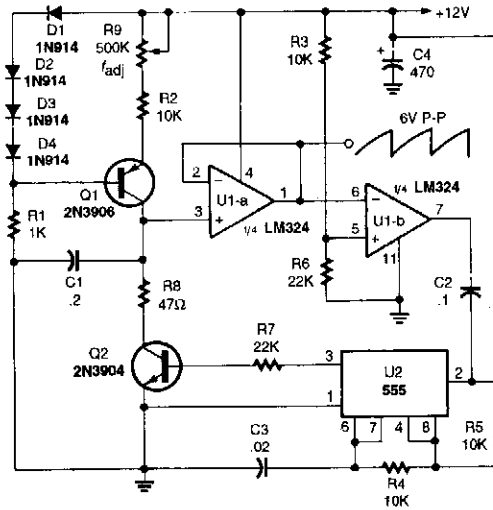


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Fig. 102-7

$$T = 1.1 R_1 C_1$$

## OP-AMP SAWTOOTH GENERATOR



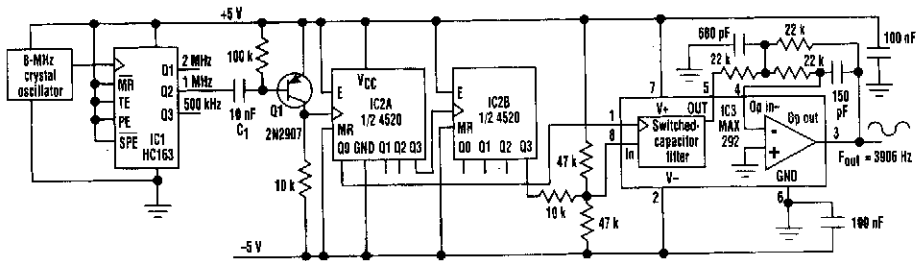
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**Fig. 102-8**

The sawtooth generator circuit shown is reset at the end of each cycle. The result is a constant peak-to-peak output throughout the circuit's frequency range.

The constant-current generator circuit, the voltage-follower circuit, and the comparator circuit produce the waveform. A 555 timer IC (U2) is configured as a one-shot multivibrator that's triggered by the comparator's negative output pulse.

## DIGITAL SINE-WAVE GENERATOR



### ELECTRONIC DESIGN

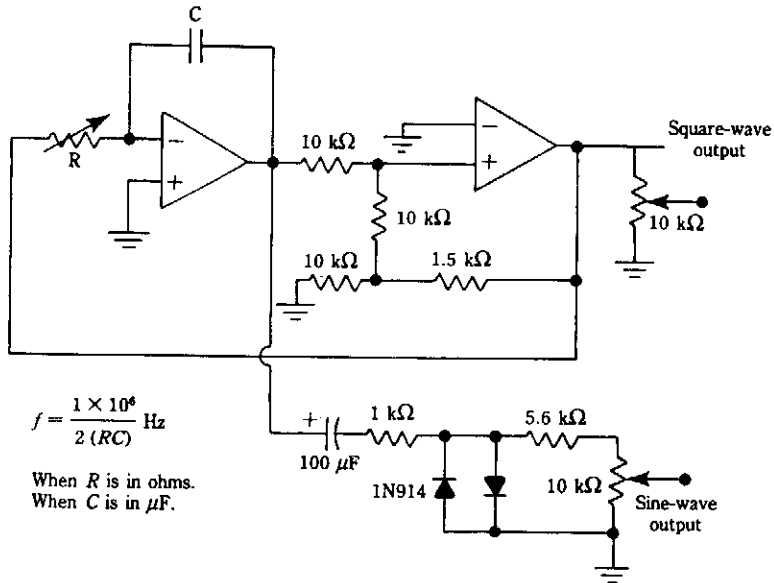
**Fig. 102-9**

The sine-wave generator starts with an 8-MHz signal and divides it by eight to obtain 1 MHz at C1 (IC1's 2-MHz and 500-kHz outputs can serve as alternate drive signals). Q1 level-shifts the 1-MHz pulses so that they can drive the bipolar circuitry necessary for producing a bipolar output. Synchronous counter IC2 divides 1 MHz by 256 to give the desired output frequency (3906 Hz), and IC3 filters the harmonic frequencies.

The filter's clock is taken from the first divide-by-2 tap of IC2 to assure a 50% duty cycle. IC2 further divides this signal by 128 to ensure that the filter's input signal (1 MHz/256) falls within the flat portion of the filter response.

The output of the switched-capacitor filter resembles a sampled sine wave. It can be smoothed by building a first- or second-order low-pass filter around the otherwise uncommitted output op amp.

## SIGNAL SOURCE FOR AUDIO AMPLIFIER/INVERTER

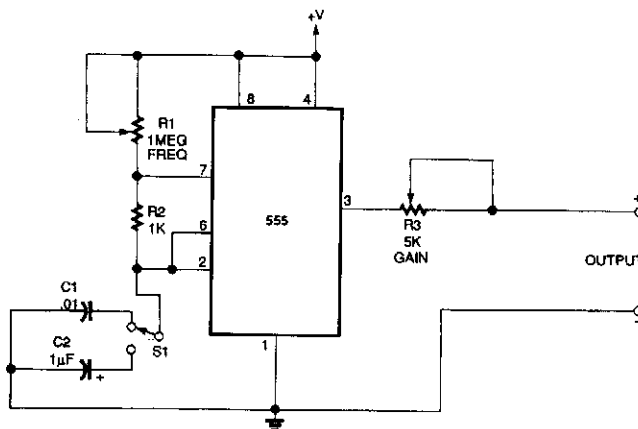


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Fig. 102-10

Two op amps (741, etc..) are used in this oscillator circuit. A square wave is available and a sine wave, obtained by shaping the triangle waveform, is also provided.

## SIMPLE TEST SIGNAL GENERATOR



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Fig. 102-11

An NE555 generates signals for test purposes. Frequency range is from 20 Hz to 10 kHz, depending on the setting of S1. +V is 5 V.

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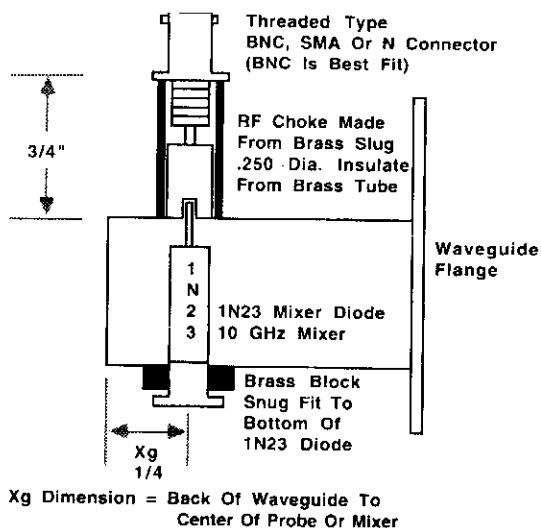
## Waveguide Circuits

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The sources of the following circuits are contained in the Sources section, which begins on page 707. The figure number in the box of each circuit correlates to the entry in the Sources section.

10-GHz Waveguide Detector for Amateur Radio Use  
10-GHz Waveguide Transition for Amateur Radio Use

## 10-GHz WAVEGUIDE DETECTOR FOR AMATEUR RADIO USE

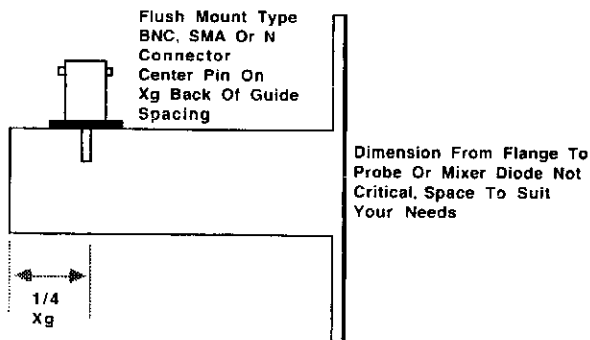


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Fig. 103-1

This shows the construction of a waveguide detector for use at the 10-GHz amateur radio frequencies.

## 10-GHz WAVEGUIDE TRANSITION FOR AMATEUR RADIO USE



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Fig. 103-2

A transistor adapts the waveguide to coaxial cable or other types of transmission lines.

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## White-Noise Generator Circuits

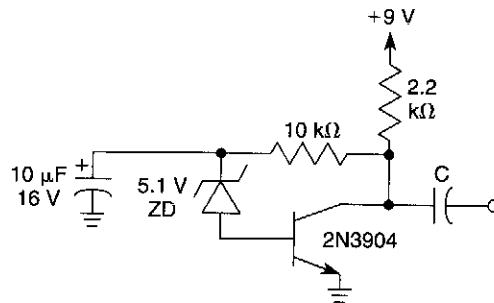
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Zener-Diode White-Noise Generator  
White-Noise Generator

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## ZENER-DIODE WHITE-NOISE GENERATOR



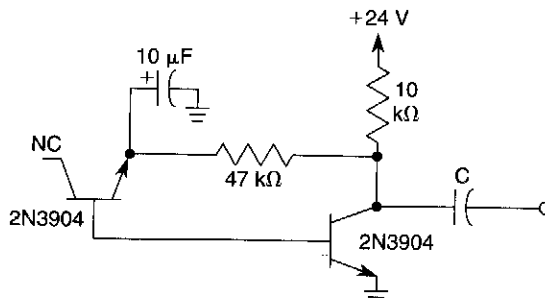
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*Fig. 104-1*

This circuit uses a Zener diode as a noise source. C is chosen to pass the lowest-desired frequency components of the noise.

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## WHITE-NOISE GENERATOR



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*Fig. 104-2*

Here, a 2N3904 E-B junction is used as a noise generator, reversed bias. C is chosen to pass the lowest-desired frequency components of the noise.

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