EQUIPMENT NEWS

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■ POWER SUPPLY furnishes 2 ma at 250 kv. Selenium rectification is used. The output voltage is continuously variable with ripple approximately 2.5 percent at

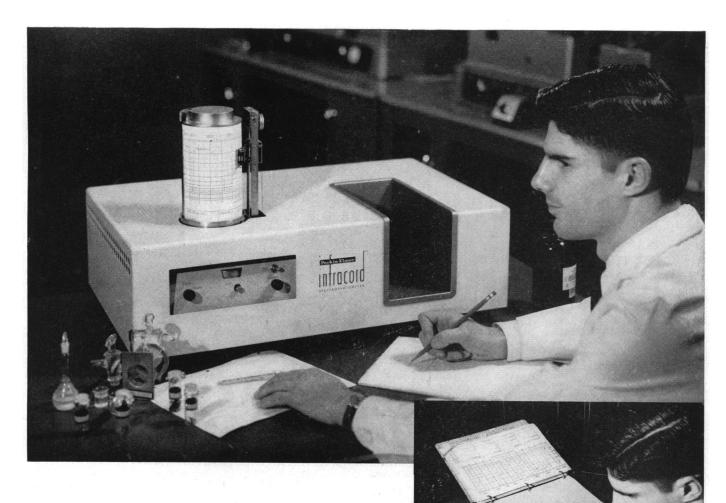
maximum rated power. Internal impedance is 11 ohm. (Beta Electric Division, Sorensen and Co., Inc., Dept. S860)

■ BEAM SPLITTERS consist of clear, cast plastic films of optical quality and approximately 3×10^{-4} in. thick. The film is cemented under tension to metal frames which have been lapped optically flat. Two types of neutral reflective coating can be applied to adjust the ratio of reflected to transmitted light. Neither appreciable separation of the first- and second-surface reflections nor distortion by refraction is observed. (National Photocolor Corporation, Dept. S853)

- MAGNETIC-CORE STORAGE UNIT stores 144 characters of eight bits each. Input and output time is 14 µsec. No transition time is required for switching from input to output. All control circuitry is mounted on plug-in, etched circuit boards removable from the front of the unit. (Telemeter Magnetics Inc., Dept. S854)
- DISPLACEMENT TRANSDUCER provides output voltage proportional to position and linear within ±0.1 percent over a stroke of 10 ft. The device consists of a magnetic-core and tubular-coil assembly separated by a pressure wall. The wall will withstand 1200-lb/in.² steam at 650°F. The coil assembly will withstand higher temperatures. The unit is specifically engineered for use in an environment of high-density atomic radiation. Output is 2 to 6 v/ft, depending on the excitation frequency. (G. L. Collins Corporation, Dept. S859)
- CHLORINE ANALYZER provides continuous measurement of free, combined, or total residual chlorine in water or sewage. The analyzer is essentially a double-light-beam filter photometer. Two standard ranges are 0 to 1 and 0 to 10 parts per million. Accuracy is ±1 percent of full scale. (Fischer and Porter, Dept. \$855)
- ■INFRARED SAMPLE CELL can be used with sample pressures of 200 lb/in.² (gage). The cell consists of a stainless-steel body with windows sealed with Kel-F O-rings. Window materials include KBr, NaCl, KF, and fused quartz. Cell lengths are 60 mm or variable from 5 to 10 mm. (Perkin-Elmer Corp., Dept. S856)
- CONDUCTIVITY CELL is a hollow glass cylinder containing two electrodes and an automatic temperature-compensating thermistor. The cell operates efficiently at temperatures to 400°F with temperature compensation, and to 1000°F without compensation. The platinum electrodes are mounted flush with the glass tube to permit high fluid velocities. Available sizes are ¾, ½, ¾, and 1 in. in diameter. Connections are made with a four-prong Amphenol connector. (Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Dept. S862)
- OSCILLOGRAM READER accommodates film widths to 16 in. and roll diameters to 6 in. Any number of linear or nonlinear channels is handled with corrections made for linear or nonlinear scale factors and zero-line location. Drive speed is adjustable by means of a variable transformer. (Gerber Scientific Instrument Co., Dept. S863)

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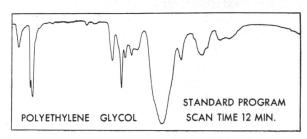
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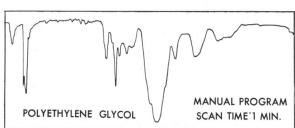
EASE OF INTERPRETATION — The Infracord 137 presents its data in the standard form used by the API and Patent Office, simplifying spectra comparison. The $8\frac{1}{2}$ by 11'' recording paper fits conveniently into notebooks, files, duplicating machines. The Infracord's sensitive recording mechanism accurately transcribes all the data obtainable from the instrument's fine double beam optics.

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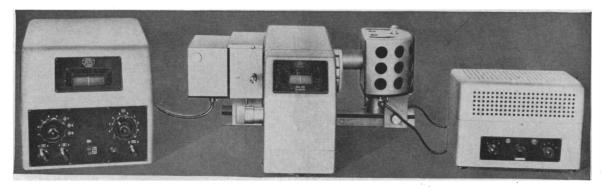




Spectra above illustrate ability of Infracord to provide fast answers when necessary. Lower spectrum was obtained in one minute by manual rotation of the drum. Note close correlation with standard 12 minute run.



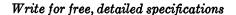
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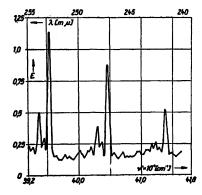


This new instrument offers universal applications for rapid, reliable and accurate photometric measurements of liquids, gases and solids at the highest resolving power of the spectrum.

The spectral region ranges from far-ultraviolet 200 m μ to near-infrared 1,000 m μ (2,500 m μ by using a lead sulphide cell). The instrument operates directly on 110-volt A.C. By means of a combined magnetic and electronic voltage stabilizer, fluctuations of +10% to -15% can be compensated. The transmission and extinction scales are projected on a ground glass window. The effective length of the scales appears to be approximately 16 inches.

The adjustment of the slit and that of the wave-length is guaranteed to be free of lost-motion. The slit width can be set within 0.2 m μ absolute. As a consequence of the friction-free design, no lost-motion is evident when setting the wave-length. For instance, the combined error of setting and reading the wave-length is guaranteed to be no greater than ± 0.05 m μ at 250 m μ . The effective length of the projected micro wave length scale appears to be approximately 4 feet, and has a range of from 200 m μ to 2,500 m μ .





Extinction curve of benzine vapor

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