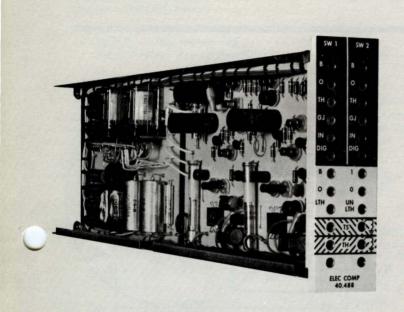


an accessory for PACE[®] TR-48 Analog Computers ELECTRONIC COMPARATOR, model 40.488



FEATURES

- •5 microsecond typical switching time
- •1 millivolt sensitivity
- Plug-in, solid state, modular design
- Analog signal or external digital control
- Special "latch" "unlatch" inputs, simplifying complex operations
- •Provides ''track'' and ''hold'' modes for repetitive and real time operation

The Electronic Comparator, Model 40.488 is a solid state signal comparator intended for use in the TR-48 Analog Computer. It is a single unit, performing the function of a form C relay, a mechanical relay comparator module and a repetitive operation display module. Control is by analog signals applied to its inputs, or by digital signals applied directly to the inputs of its two electronic switches. With appropriate patching and the addition of two external capacitors, two independent channels of track and storage (hold) may be provided.

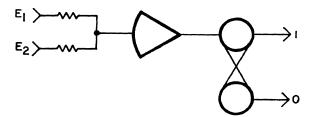
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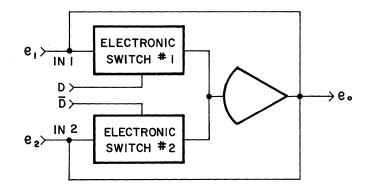
COMPARATOR

In the basic comparator, analog input control signals are applied to the two input terminals of a high gain d-c summing amplifier — whose output signal in turn is used to set a flip-flop. With the sum of the amplifier input signals positive, the flip-flop is set with its 1 output at a binary One and its 0 output at a binary Zero. For a negative summation of the amplifier input signals, the flip-flop state is reversed.



ELECTRONIC SWITCH

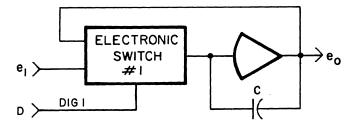
The flip-flop outputs or external digital signal levels may be used to control the two electronic switches in the unit -- as applied to the DIG terminals on the computer patch panel. Complementary control is obtained by applying complementary digital signal levels at the D and \overline{D} inputs of the electronic switches. Signals to be switched, e, and e_2 , are applied to the IN terminals of each electronic switch and the output e_0 is obtained at the terminal of an associated dc amplifier. With the level of binary One at input D and and the level of binary Zero at input \overline{D} , switch #1 is closed, switch #2 is open and the D-C amplifier output is $-e_1$. With the complementary control levels reversed the output is $-e_2$.

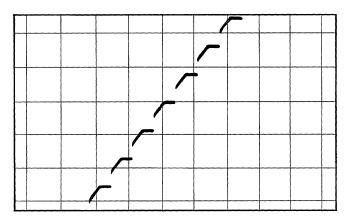


TRACK AND HOLD

The track and hold mode is an extension of the electronic switch section. A relay is energized by the bottle plug connection in the +H area, which connects 2K input and feedback resistors in the loop instead of the 10K resistors. A connection from +H to the amplifier output 0 provides the connection for the storage capacitor. When a +S bottle plug is installed, the circuit is prepared for repetitive operation.

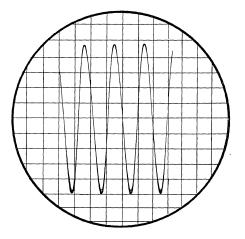
When D is a binary ONE the amplifier is in TRACK; similarly, when D is a binary ZERO the amplifier is in HOLD.





Output of 40.488 Used as Track. Hold Unit Sampling a Ramp at a 500 CPS Rate.

1/2V/CM - - Sensitivity (X) 1V/CM - - Sensitivity (Y) Sweep Voltage Rep Op Sampling Rate - - 500 CPS

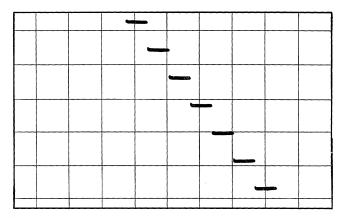


(Left) Output of 40.488 as Electronic Comparator Switching Between Same 1 KC Sinewave

2V/CM - - Sensitivity .5 MS/CM - - Sweep 1 KC Sinewave

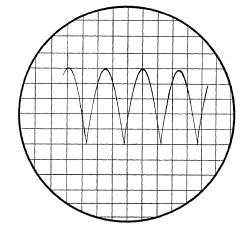
(Right) Output of 40.488 Switching Between 1 KC Sinewave and a 1 KC Cosewave

> 2V/CM — — Sensitivity .2 MS/CM — — Sweep 1 KC Sinewave



Output of Second Track-Hold Channel Which is Sampling Output of the First Track-Hold Channel (1) Controlled By Complementary Logic.

1/2V/CM - - Sensitivity (X) 1V/CM - - Sensitivity (Y) Sweep Voltage Rep Op Sampling Rate - - 500 CPS



SPECIFICATIONS

a. Power Supply Requirements

+15 VDC @ 16 MA, Nominal -15 VDC @ 12 MA, Nominal +10 VDC (Reference) @ 2.0 MA -20 VDC Nominal, @ 80 MA

b. Basic Comparator

Switching Sensitivity ±1.0 Millivolt, min. Propagation Time (1), (2) .. 5.0 Microseconds, typ. Analog Input Voltage Range .. -10 Volts to +10 Volts Latch Input Impedance 100 K Ohms, min. Digital Output Levels:

Binary One 5.0 VDC, Nominal Binary Zero 0.2 VDC, Nominal

c. Electronic Switch

Signal Input Impedance 10 K Ohms Propagation Time (2) 1.0 Microsecond, typ. DC Offset Voltage ±500 Microvolts Digital Control Input Levels:

Binary One 5.0 VDC, Nominal Binary Zero 0.2 VDC, Nominal Control Input Impedance 100 K Ohms, min.

d. Track and Hold

Digital Control Input Levels:

- Real Time Operation 2.0 Millivolts/second Fast Repetive Operation 100 Microvolts/ Millisecond
- Phase Shift-Sinusoidal Input:

Gain Error – Sinusoidal Input:

 Real Time Operation
 0.02%
 typ.,(10 VPP, 10 cps)

 Fast Repetitive Operation
 0.1%
 typ.,

 (10 VPP, 1 kcps)
 (10 VPP, 1 kcps)

NOTES:

- Basic comparator propagation time is dependent upon the slope of the algebraic sum of the input signals. The propagation time is 1 Microsecond typical for an input signal sum having a rise time of 5 Microseconds.
- (2) The propagation time of the comparator and electronic switch in cascade is 5 Microseconds typical even though the propagation time of each is 5.0 and 1.0 microseconds respectively.

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