

SYNCHRO AND RESOLVER CONVERSION

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Dedication

This book is dedicated to the memory of Dennis McDonnell whose assistance during the book's preparation was invaluable.

Foreword

This all started with the invention of the wheel. . . .

Every industry is to some extent reliant on being able to measure angles, monitor rotation and control position, all of which involve transducing angular movement into electrical signals. Of the various transducers available for this purpose, the best, beyond question, are electromechanical synchros and resolvers. Industrial processes have over the past few years, become increasingly cost effective due to the availability of low cost digital computing, and consequently a need has arisen for converting the analog output of the synchro or resolver into digital information and vice versa. Our objective in writing this book has been to pass on to users information about synchro and resolver conversion which may be of assistance to them in making their engineering decisions.

In writing the book we have tried to strike a balance between the heavily theoretical and the need for a primer. Inevitably we run the risk of being accused of "talking up" or "talking down" to our readers. We have run this risk deliberately in order to embrace the widest possible readership. Hopefully the virtuoso reader can always start with the appendices!

We trust that you will find this book useful and consider that we have achieved our objectives. We will welcome the comments and suggestions of our readers for the benefit of future editions.

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