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**TIME AND FREQUENCY:
A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF NBS LITERATURE
PUBLISHED JULY 1955–DECEMBER 1970**

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This publication gives bibliographic references to NBS time and frequency papers (principally those of the Time and Frequency Division or its predecessor sections) published over the past 15 years. The NBS material is classified under five general sections: Time and Frequency Standards; Time Scales, Time; Distribution/Reception of Time and Frequency Signals; Statistics of Time and Frequency Analyses, Frequency Stability; and General, Summary, and Status Reports. An additional section lists outside publications which describe the use of NBS time and frequency services or illustrate their varied use in seismic research, industrial practice, navigation, and propagation studies, among others. The bibliography documents past progress, will aid access to available literature, and gives an indication of the present direction, scope, and status of NBS time and frequency research.

Key words: Atomic clocks; atomic standards; clock dissemination; crystal oscillators; definition of second; flicker noise; frequency; frequency stability; lasers; length standards; measurement standards; spectral density; standard frequency broadcasts; speed of light; statistics of time/frequency measurements; time; time/frequency dissemination; time scales; timing (HF, LF, satellite, TV, VLF); wave-length standards; WWV; WWVB; WWVH; WWVL.

Introduction

This bibliography lists NBS papers and reports in the field of time and frequency under five categories and by fiscal year, published from June 1955 through December 1970. The cited work is principally that of the Time and Frequency Division; however, important related work in the time and frequency area by other NBS personnel also is listed. We include an NBS author index as well as a selected listing of non-NBS written articles about our work. This latter section gives a sampling of reports and papers which describe and illustrate, for instance, instrumentation methods for comparability to NBS time and frequency standards, the use of the NBS radio broadcasts and services, and the scope and depth of such usage.

The contents of this bibliographic listing exemplify the extent and character of work performed by the Time and Frequency Division. (The listing is in the form of an NBS Special Publication which we plan to update periodically.) The Division welcomes questions and provides consultation services on matters relating to time and frequency. Appendix I shows the section structure and responsibilities of the Division. Appendix II indicates the various time and frequency broadcast notices, bulletins, HF prediction notices, etc., available to the public on the basis of need.

To aid in the location of the source material, there has been a vigorous attempt to list complete references in consistent form, using accepted journal title abbreviations as given in the 1961 *Chemical Abstracts—Lists of Publications* or the 1966 *Revised and Enlarged Word Abbreviation List for USASI Z39.5-1963—American Standard for Periodical Title Abbreviations*. Most of the bibliographic listings can be seen at public or university libraries. NBS Technical Notes and papers with a USGPO notation are available, for the price shown, from:

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NBS PUBLICATIONS—TIME AND FREQUENCY
SECTION A
TIME AND FREQUENCY STANDARDS

This section is concerned with studies on primary time and frequency standards at NBS since 1955. The studies embrace low temperature crystal oscillators; development, construction, and evaluation of atomic beam frequency standards assembled at the NBS laboratories (including ammonia masers, cesium, thallium, and hydrogen beam standards); evaluation of commercial atomic frequency standards, such as rubidium, cesium, and hydrogen standards; evaluation of errors in atomic frequency standards; development of low noise electronics; theoretical research on atomic beam resonances and hydrogen spin-exchange; stabilization of laser frequencies; and refinement of measurements of the speed of light.

Over this 15-year period, the accuracy of primary frequency standards has improved from about 1 part in 10^8 to some 5 parts in 10^{13} (1σ). The rigorous evaluation of the cesium beam standard at NBS, along with similar studies at other national laboratories, contributed to the 13th General Conference of Weights and Measures defining, in 1967, the international unit of time—the second—based on a cesium resonance frequency. For the future, studies indicate that frequency accuracies of a few parts in 10^{14} are within reach of today's research capabilities. An exciting consequence of further work envisions a single Standard for frequency, time, and length, from which other units of measurement can be derived. This approach would specify a numerical value for the speed of light (previous best experimental value) and, since length measurements could be referred back to a frequency standard, there would be no need for a separate length standard.

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SECTION B

TIME SCALES, TIME

The reports and papers in this section span a period of time which experienced three different definitions of the basic unit of time—the second—with some four to five orders of magnitude improvement. In 1955 the International Astronomical Union approved a prototype time unit, the Ephemeris second, to supplant the less precise mean solar or UT second. The International Committee of Weights and Measures adopted this refined standard in 1956, and the General Conference of Weights and Measures gave formal approval to the Ephemeris second in 1960. Concurrently, with the advent of atomic frequency standards, it was apparent that an even more refined unit of time—an atomic second—could be defined. As a consequence, the International Committee of Weights and Measures (CIPM) established in 1956 a Consultative Committee for the Definition of the Second (CCDS) which held four meetings in Paris (1957, 1961, 1963, and 1967). Dr. F. W. Brown represented NBS at the first meeting and entered into initial discussions as recorded in Comité Consultatif Pour La Définition De La Seconde 1^{re} Session, 1957 (Minutes of the First Meeting), pages 1-32 (Gauthier-Villars, Paris, France, 1958). In 1964 the General Conference of Weights and Measures authorized the International Committee of Weights and Measures to define a provisional atomic second based on the cesium transition frequency.

The 13th General Conference of Weights and Measures, in 1967, defined the unit of time in the International System of units as follows:

“The second is the duration of
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periods of the radiation
corresponding to the transition
between two hyperfine levels
of the ground state of the
atom of cesium 133.”

* Since navigators, astronomers, and others require earth or UT time, studies continue for optimizing and striking a compromise between the needs of both kinds of time. There is also anticipation that future research will further refine the present definition of the second.

NBS participation in such far reaching endeavors as time unit definitions, coordination of UT and AT, development of a national and/or international time scale, and research into methods for synchronizing time scales, is shown in the scope, depth, and variety of applicable subjects listed in this section.

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TIME SCALES, TIME

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SECTION C

DISTRIBUTION/RECEPTION OF TIME AND FREQUENCY SIGNALS

NBS contributions to the topic of this section were, in the middle 1950's, through the HF standard frequency broadcasts of WWV and WWVH with received precisions of some parts in 10^7 from day to day. LF broadcasts were commenced at 60 kHz (KK2XEI—later WWVB) in 1956 from a site at the Boulder Laboratories. Only radiating about a watt of power, this 60 kHz broadcast was used by Prof. Pierce at Harvard University to intercompare NBS and NPL (England) frequency standards to several parts in 10^9 . Concurrently with the LF studies, it became apparent that VLF signals also could be broadcast with precision. NBS studies, along with others, gave impetus to the adoption, in December 1959, of the 20 kHz standard frequency band by the International Radio Conference for the International Telecommunications Union (ITU). After a 3-month period of construction, NBS commenced broadcasting a 20 kHz standard frequency from WWVL at a site some 18 airline kms west of Boulder. The success of these two low frequency transmissions on an experimental basis led to the development and construction of more powerful stations at Ft. Collins, Colorado in 1963. This section of the bibliography includes papers which describe the NBS broadcasts and give their characteristics, use, special experiments, and levels of received precision. The improvement in frequency standards during this period of time contributed immensely to the precision of signals broadcast. The NBS contribution to Loran-C, although not a direct time and frequency involvement, is also listed.

As time and frequency dissemination advanced to meet more stringent goals, the use of satellites and commercial TV enabled μ second, or better, timing. The future includes providing a more powerful and effective WWVH on Kauai, Hawaii in July 1971, revising the format of the HF broadcasts for greater utility of use, and refining the satellite and TV experiments; long-range plans include WWV-type transmissions from synchronous satellites and time synchronizations through long-base interferometry (LBI) measurements.

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SECTION D

STATISTICS OF TIME AND FREQUENCY ANALYSES, FREQUENCY STABILITY

This section includes NBS papers on such subjects as power spectrum, oscillator noise effects, flicker noise, stability of frequency generators, and statistics of atomic frequency standards. Specific NBS work and publications in this general subject area did not appear until the late 1950's. Impetus to the study of the definition and measurement of short-term frequency stability was given by the joint IEEE-NASA Symposium in 1964, from which evolved a Special Issue of the IEEE PROCEEDINGS in February 1966. NBS contributions to these studies are noted in this listing. Some specific characterizations or definitions of frequency stability have now been crystallized by the Subcommittee on Frequency Stability of the Frequency and Time Technical Committee (IEEE Group on Instrumentation and Measurement). The initial publication of this work is NBS TECH. NOTE 394, co-authored by 11 Subcommittee members.

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SECTION E

GENERAL, SUMMARY, AND STATUS REPORTS

This section includes (1) reviews of progress, developments, etc., in the general area of time and frequency for given time periods, prepared for the International Body of URSI—Commission 1; (2) conference or summary reports showing the progress of time and frequency projects; (3) status reports of time and frequency activities at a given time; and (4) reports or papers which show how time and frequency functions fit into the overall NBS mission of providing a central basis for the National Measurement System.

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NBS TIME AND FREQUENCY SERVICES OUTSIDE PUBLICATIONS

In this section appear some important articles which are non-NBS affiliated, yet are related to NBS services. These papers describe the NBS standards and facilities, show methods and techniques for using the NBS time and frequency services, and document some of the many ways in which the NBS outputs in time and frequency are used. These NBS services impact on a range of activities which includes the timing of seismic events; providing a time reference for both telemetering data from "clusters" of seismic stations throughout the western U. S. and automatically processing earthquake data on an electronic computer; accurate timing for telephone distribution in many of our major cities; frequency synchronization of electric power utilities throughout the U.S. and Canada; frequency and time synchronization of standards laboratories; contributions to an international time scale as determined by the B.I.H.; time service station for USNO clock reference; and specialized research and propagation studies. Such a varied range of activities provides a cross section of the NBS time and frequency user. The aggregate body of users includes government agencies (U. S. Geological Survey, U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, NASA, U. S. Navy, U. S. Air Force, U. S. Army), diverse university research units, Woods Hole Oceanographic group, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Douglas Aircraft Co., Canadian Pacific Railway, Bell Telephone Co., power utilities in the U. S. and Canada, time and frequency equipment manufacturers, amateur radio operators, and scientific and technical industries.

This listing is a sample of outside publications which attempts to show the scope and depth of NBS time and frequency involvement in science and technology. It cannot be all-inclusive; however, we welcome recommendations for noteworthy accessions, as well as documentation of additional uses of our time and frequency services. The references include some manufacturers' literature; their inclusion, though, is to show overall techniques and methods of time and frequency measurement and in no way is an NBS endorsement of commercial equipment. The outline structure of this section is as follows:

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Chief, Atomic Frequency and Time
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