# Type 1603-A Z-Y BRIDGE

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# **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### RANGES OF MEASUREMENT

Frequency: 20 Hz to 20 kHz.

Impedance and Admittance:  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$ .

Unknown is measured as an impedance if the resistance is less than  $1000~\Omega$  and the reactance is less than  $1000~(f_0/f)\Omega$ . Unknown is measured as an admittance if the absolute conductance is less than  $1000~\mu t$  and the absolute susceptance is

ductance is less than 1000  $\mu \varpi$  and the absolute susceptance is less than 1000 (f/f<sub>o</sub>) $\mu \varpi$  .

### ACCURACY (with unknown grounded)

R:  $\pm 1\%$   $\pm$  (2  $\Omega$  on main dial or 0.2  $\Omega$  on  $\Delta R$  dial)  $\pm 0.0002$  f<sub>Hrt</sub>X. G:  $\pm 1\%$   $\pm$  (2  $\mu$ U on main G dial or 0.2  $\mu$ U on  $\Delta$ G dial)  $\pm 0.0002$  f<sub>Hrt</sub>B.

X:  $\pm 1\%~\pm~(2f_o/f~\Omega$  on main X dial or 0.2f\_o/f  $\Omega$  on  $\Delta X$  dial)  $\pm 0.0002f_{\rm Hz}R.$ 

B:  $\pm 1\% \pm (2f/f_o~\mu$  to on main B dial or 0.2f/f\_o~\mu to on  $\Delta$ B dial)  $\pm 0.0002f_{tht}G$ .

These expressions are valid for R and G up to 20 kHz; for X and B the 1% term is valid up to 7 kHz; above 7 kHz it becomes

2%, above 15 kHz, 3%. Slightly larger errors occur at high frequencies for direct or delta measurements.

### GENERAL

Accessories Supplied: 274-NP Patch Cord, 874-R34 Patch Cord.

Accessories Required: Generator and Detector. 1240-A Bridge Oscillator-Detector recommended.

Generator: 1311-A Oscillator recommended or 1210-C or 1310-A. Max safe voltage on bridge is 130 V rms, giving <32 V on unknown.

Detector: 1232-A recommended.

Mounting: Lab-Bench Cabinet.

Dimensions (width x height x depth):  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  in. (320 x 345 x 220 mm).

Weight: Net,  $21\frac{1}{2}$  lb (10 kg), shipping, 31 lb (14.5 kg).

Catalog Number	Description		
1603-9701	1603-A Z-Y Bridge		

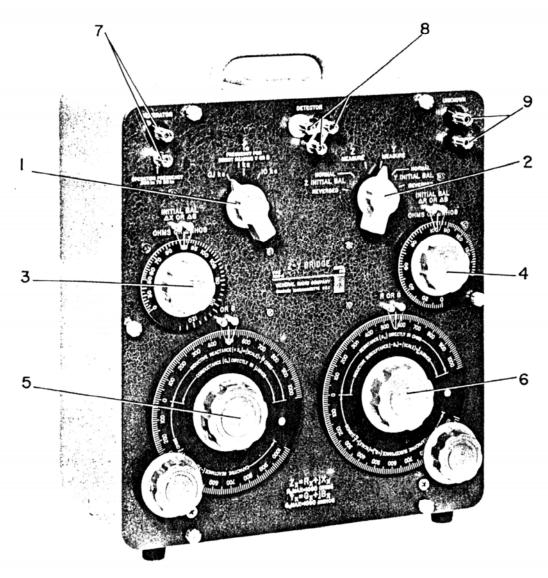


Figure 1-1. Panel view of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge. (For legend, see page 2).

## SECTION 1

# INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 PURPOSE.

The Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge (Figure 1-1) is an audio-frequency bridge that can measure any impedance connected to its terminals. From short circuit to open circuit, real or imaginary, positive or negative, a bridge balance can easily be obtained. Good accuracy is obtainable over a very wide range.

The Z-Y Bridge measures the Cartesian coordinates of complex impedance in ohms (series resistance and reactance, each carrying the same current; see Figure 1-2) or the Cartesian coordinates of complex admittance in micromhos (parallel conductance and susceptance subjected to the full terminal voltage; see Figure 1-3).

### 1.2 DESCRIPTION.

1.2.1 GENERAL. The Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge uses a conventional resistance-capacitance bridge circuit (see Figure 1-4) and operates in the frequency range from 20

cps to 20 kc. A calibrated oscillator or suitable generator (such as the Type 1210-C Unit RC Oscillator) is required to drive the bridge and a null-balance detector (such as the Type 1232-A Tuned Amplifier and Null Detector) is required to indicate bridge balance. A Type 274-NP Patch Cord and a Type 874-R34 Patch Cord are supplied to connect the bridge to the generator and detector.

1.2.2 SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS. The following symbols and abbreviations are used in this instruction book:

ac - alternating-current

B - susceptance, imaginary part of an admittance

C - capacitance

cps - cycles per second

D - dissipation factor, D =  $\frac{1}{Q} = \frac{R}{X} = \frac{G}{B}$ 

dc - direct-current

emf - electromotive force

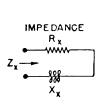


Figure 1-2.

Resistance  $R_x$  in series with inductive (positive) or capacitive (negative) reactance  $X_x$ .  $Z_x$  (obms) =  $R_x + jX_x$ 

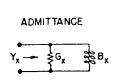
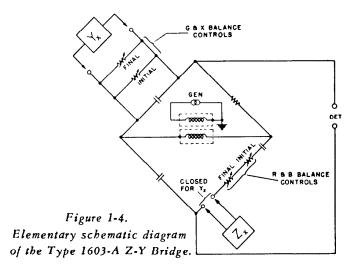


Figure 1-3.

Conductance  $G_x$  in parallel with inductive (negative) or capacitive (positive) susceptance  $B_x$ .  $Y_x$  ( $\mu$ mbos) =  $G_x$  +  $jB_x$ 





f - frequency

G - conductance,  $G = \frac{1}{R}$  (only if X = 0)

I - current

j - imaginary operator,  $j^2 = -1$ 

K, k<sub>1</sub> k<sub>2</sub> - bridge constants

kc - kilocycles per second

 $k\Omega$  - kilohms

L - inductance

M - correction factor

pf - picofarad, 1 pf = 1 x 10<sup>-6</sup>  $\mu$ f = 1  $\mu$  $\mu$ f

PF - power factor, PF =  $\frac{R^2}{R^2 + X^2} = \frac{G^2}{G^2 + B^2}$ 

Q - storage factor, Q =  $\frac{1}{D} = \frac{X}{R} = \frac{B}{G}$ 

R - resistance, R =  $\frac{1}{G}$  (only if B = 0)

r - resistance

X - reactance, imaginary part of an impedance

Y - admittance, Y = G + jB

Z - impedance, Z = R + jX

 $\delta$  - change in

△ - initial balance

 $\theta$  - phase angle

 $\mu f$  - microfarad, 1  $\mu f$  = 1 x 10<sup>-6</sup> f

 $\mu$ h - microhenry, 1  $\mu$ h = 1 x 10<sup>-6</sup> h

 $\mu$ mho,  $\mu$  $\mho$  - micromho, 1  $\mu$  $\mho$  = 1 x 10<sup>-6</sup>  $\mho$ 

 $\pi$  - 3.1416

 $\Omega$  - ohm

 $\omega$  - angular frequency,  $\omega$  = 2  $\pi$  f

1.2.3 CONTROLS AND CONNECTORS. The following table lists the controls and connectors on the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge:

TABLE 1. CONTROLS AND CONNECTORS

Fig. 1-1 Ref No.	Name	Туре	Function
1	lo lo	3-position rotary switch	Changes the values of fixed bridge components by factors of ten to permit measurement at any audio frequency.
2	Measurement	6-position totary switch	Selects conditions for initial Z or Y measurement, final Z or Y measurement, and normal or reversed measurement.
3	INITIAL BAL △X OR △G	Continuous rotary control with dial	For normal substitution measurements, sets initial balance of X or G component.
4	INITIAL BAL △R OR △B	Continuous rotary control with dial	For normal substitution measurements, sets initial balance for R or B component.
5	X OR G	Continuous rotary control with dial and vernier	For normal substitution measurement, sets final balance for X or G component.
6	RORB	Continuous rotary control with dial and vernier	For normal substitution measurement, sets final balance for R or B component.
7	GENERATOR	Pair of binding posts	Connection for external generator.
8	DETECTOR	Three binding posts	Connection for external null detector.
9	UNKNOWN	Pair of binding posts	Connection for component to be measured.

# SECTION 2

### OPERATING PROCEDURE

### 2.1 GENERATOR CONNECTION.

Use an ac generator of known operating frequency between 20 cps and 20 kc. The General Radio Type 1210-C Unit RC Oscillator is a recommended source. To make the bridge direct reading, the generator frequency must be 100 cps, 1 kc, or 10 kc, and the  $f_0$  switch set to the same value.

The maximum voltage that may be applied to the bridge is 130 volts rms with the  $f_0$  switch at 10 kc or 1.0 kc. With the  $f_0$  switch at 0.1 kc, the maximum voltage depends on the generator frequency, as shown in Figure 2-1. Since this switch can be set to 10 kc or 1.0 kc for the frequencies above 450 cps, 130 volts is the usual maximum voltage. A 60-cycle power line may be used for 60-cycle measurements, provided that a 1:1 isolation transformer is interposed between the line and the bridge. The setting of the  $f_0$  switch is explained in paragraph 2.5.

Connect the generator to the GENERATOR terminals of the Type 1603-A, with the low side connected to the terminal that is grounded to the bridge panel.

### 2.2 DETECTOR CONNECTION.

Connect the black insulated DETECTOR terminal to the grounded terminal, using the connecting link, to measure the unknown as a grounded impedance or admittance (the usual type of measurement; for measurement of ungrounded components, refer to paragraph 5.5).

Connect a General Radio Type 1232-A Tuned Amplifier and Null Detector, Type 1212-A Unit Null Detector, or other suitable null-balance detector across the red and black DETECTOR terminals, with the high input of the detector connected to the red terminal. Unless the detector is logarithmic in response, it should contain some means for monitoring its sensitivity. In the measurement of nonlinear elements, such as iron-cored inductors, a tuned selective detector is preferable.

#### 2.3 CONNECTION OF THE UNKNOWN.

Connect the unknown circuit element or network to the UNKNOWN terminals on the bridge panel. Connect the end of the unknown that is grounded, or that has the higher capacitance to ground, to the LOW unknown terminal. Leave the unknown thus connected while the desired measurements are made.

### 2.4 DECIDING WHETHER TO MEASURE Z OR Y.

2.4.1 GENERAL. The unknown can sometimes be measured as either an impedance,  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}$ , or an admittance,  $Y_{\mathbf{x}}$ , but in most instances, it can be measured only as one or the other.

If the approximate value of the component to be measured is known, use Figures 2-2 and 2-3 to determine which type of measurement should be made. Figure 2-2 shows the limits of impedance measurement and Figure

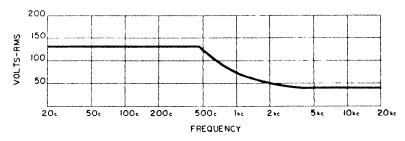


Figure 2-1. Maximum voltage that may be applied to the Z-Y Bridge with the fo switch set at 0.1 kc.



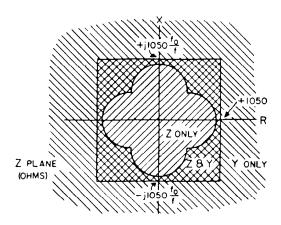


Figure 2-2. Impedance-measurement limits of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.

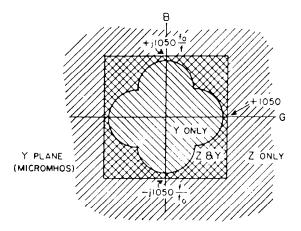


Figure 2-3. Admittance-measurement limits of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.

2-3 shows the limits of admittance measurements. Note that the imaginary scale for these plots is a function of either  $\frac{f}{f_0}$  or  $\frac{f_0}{f}$ . The range for the imaginary part can therefore be extended by appropriate choice of  $f_0$  (refer to paragraph 2.5).

If the approximate value of the component to be measured is not known, make a trial balance as outlined in paragraph 2.4.2, 2.4.3, or 2.4.4 to determine whether the unknown should be measured as an impedance or an admittance.

The components of  $Y_x$  (in  $\mu$ mhos) can be computed from the components of  $Z_x$  (in ohms) and vice versa by means of the construction described in Appendix 1 or by the transfer equations in Appendix 2.

2.4.2 CAN THE UNKNOWN BE MEASURED AS AN IMPEDANCE? To find out, connect the generator, detector, and unknown to the bridge, set the  $f_0$  switch to the nearest frequency above the generator frequency, set the measurement switch to NORMAL Z INITIAL BAL, and adjust both  $\Delta$  controls for balance. Then set the measurement switch to Z MEASURE and adjust the main controls for balance. If balance occurs within the ranges of both main dials, the unknown can be measured as an impedance. If the balance is offscale on either dial, the unknown must be measured as an admittance.

2.4.3 CAN THE UNKNOWN BE MEASURED AS AN AD-MITTANCE? To find out, connect the generator, detector and unknown to the bridge, set the  $f_0$  switch to the nearest frequency below the generator frequency, set the measurement switch to NORMAL Y INITIAL BAL, and adjust both  $\triangle$  controls for balance. Then set the the measurement switch to Y MEASURE and adjust the main controls for balance. If the final balance occurs within the ranges of both main dials, the unknown can be measured as an admittance. If the balance is offscale on either main dial, the unknown must be measured as an impedance.

2.4.4 MEASUREMENT AS EITHER IMPEDANCE OR AD-MITTANCE. If, in the tests described in paragraphs 2.4.2 and 2.4.3, the main dials are on scale in both cases, the operator has a choice of measuring the given unknown as an impedance or as an admittance. See Figures 2-2 and 2-3.

#### NOTE

For any specific measurement, the measurement switch must be used either exclusively in its three left-hand positions ( $Z_X$  measurement) or exclusively in its three right-hand positions ( $Y_X$  measurement). For example, never follow an initial Z balance with a final Y balance.

### 2.5 SETTING THE fo SWITCH.

When the operating frequency is 100 cps, 1 kc, or 10 kc, set the  $f_O$  switch to the same frequency for direct-reading measurements. For other operating frequencies, set the  $f_O$  switch to the nearest frequency above the generator frequency for impedance measurements and to the nearest frequency below the generator frequency for admittance measurements. The ratio of  $\frac{f_O}{f}$  should be between 0.1 and 10.

For maximum precision, first make a trial balance with the  $f_O$  switch set as specified in the preceding paragraph. For an impedance measurement, if the final  $X_X$  balance is offscale on either end, set the  $f_O$  switch to the next higher frequency; or if the final  $X_X$  balance is onscale but less than 105 ohms, set the  $f_O$  switch to the next lower value. For an admittance measurement, if the final  $B_X$  balance is offscale on either end, set the  $f_O$  switch to the next lower value; or if the final  $B_X$  balance is onscale but less than 105  $\mu$ mhos set the  $f_O$  switch to the next higher value.

If the generator frequency is not the same as the  $f_0$  switch setting, multiply the  $X_x$  indication in impedance measurements by  $\frac{f_0}{f}$ , and multiply the  $B_x$  indication in admittance measurements by  $\frac{f}{f_0}$ .

#### 2.6 NORMAL MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE.

To measure an unknown under normal conditions, proceed as follows:

- a. Connect the generator, detector, and unknown to the appropriate terminals on the bridge.
- b. Decide whether to measure impedance or admittance (refer to paragraph 2.4).
- c. Set the  $f_0$  switch to the measurement frequency (refer to paragraph 2.5).
- d. Set the measurement switch to NORMAL Z INI-TIAL BAL for impedance measurement or to NORMAL Y INITIAL BAL for admittance measurement.
- e. With the  $\triangle$  controls, balance the bridge to obtain a null indication on the detector.
- f. Set the measurement switch to Z MEASURE for impedance or to Y MEASURE for admittance.
  - g. Balance the bridge with the main controls.
- h. If the  $f_O$  switch setting is the same as the generator frequency, the impedance or admittance value of the unknown is the value indicated on the main dials. If the generator frequency is not the same as the  $f_O$  switch setting, multiply the imaginary component (X or B) by  $\frac{f_O}{f}$  for impedance or  $\frac{f}{f_O}$  for admittance.

For example, if:

generator frequency = 2 kc

fo switch setting = 10 kc

measurement - Z

final balance readings, R = 400

X = -200

then  $Z_x = 400 - j1000$  ohms.

### 2.7 REVERSED OPERATION.

2.7.1 PRINCIPLES OF REVERSED OPERATION. The primary use of reversed operation is to take advantage of the expanded scales on the  $\Delta$  controls by using the main controls for initial balance and the  $\Delta$  controls for final balance. Actually, the four controls may be used in any desired combination to produce a balance. Computing the results would be quite cumbersome, however, if more than one of the X OR G controls, or more than one of the R OR G controls were used for the final balance.

Reversed operation yields more precise data than does normal operation when:

- (1) In normal impedance measurement with the  $f_{o}$  switch set to 0.1 kc, the X OR G dial reads less than 120.
- (2) In normal admittance measurement with the  $f_0$  switch set to 10 kc, the R OR B dial reads less than 140.
- (3) In normal measurements, an initial balance cannot be obtained with the  $\Delta$  controls.
- (4) Increased accuracy is desired for measurements between 10 and 20 kc.
  - (5) Measurements are desired between 20 and 30 kc.
- 2.7.2 REVERSED OPERATION PROCEDURE. For reversed operation, connect the generator, detector, and unknown to the appropriate bridge terminals, decide whether to measure impedance or admittance (refer to paragraph 2.4), set the  $f_0$  switch to the measurement frequency (refer to paragraph 2.5), and then measure the unknown in accordance with Figure 2-4 and Table 2.



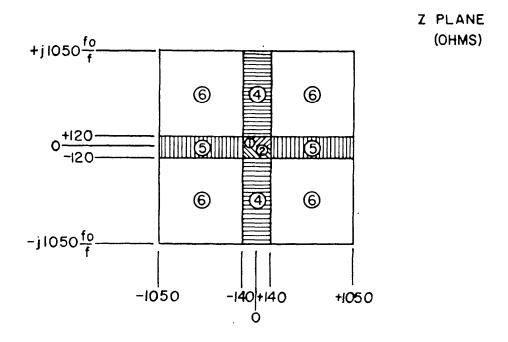
TABLE 2. PROCEDURE FOR REVERSED OPERATION

Use for (Fig. 2-4 Ref)	Prebalance and do not disturb	Preset	Set measurement switch to	Make initial balance with (*)	Record	Set measurement switch to	Make final balance with	Results(**)
inductive $Z_x$ inductive $Y_x$ Both components small. (1)		ΔX OR ΔG and ΔR OR ΔB near top scale	Z (OR Y) MEASURE	XORG and RORB	ΔX OR ΔG and ΔR OR ΔB	Z (OR Y) INITIAL BAL REVERSED	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$	Difference between final and initial $\Delta X$ OR $\Delta G$ and $\Delta R$ OR $\Delta B$ readings, with signs reversed.
Both components small.  (2)	RORB	ΔX OR ΔG near top scale	Z INITIAL BAL REVERSED	X OR G and △R OR △B	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$	Z MEASURE	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$	Difference between final and initial $\Delta X$ OR $\Delta G$ and $\Delta R$ OR $\Delta B$ .
capacitive $Y_x$ Both components small. (3)	X OR G	ΔR OR ΔB near top scale	Y INITIAL BAL REVERSED	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and R OR B	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$	Y MEASURE	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$	Difference between final and initial $\Delta X$ OR $\Delta G$ and $\Delta R$ OR $\Delta B$
$Z_X$ with small $R$ and large $X$ . $Y_X$ with small $B$ and large $G$ . (4)		X OR G at center scale (zero)	Z (OR Y) INITIAL BAL REVERSED	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and R OR B	X OR G and ΔR OR ΔΒ	Z (OR Y) MEASURE	X OR G and ΔR OR ΔB	Difference between final and initial $X$ $OR$ $G$ and $\Delta R$ $OR$ $\Delta B$
$Z_X$ with small $X$ and large $R$ . $Y_X$ with small $G$ and large $B$ . (5)		R OR B at center scale (zero)	Z (OR Y) INITIAL BAL REVERSED	X OR G and ΔR OR ΔB	∆X OR ∆G and R OR B	Z (OR Y) MEASURE	ΔX OR ΔG and R OR B	Difference between final and initial $\triangle X$ $OR$ $\triangle G$ and $R$ $OR$ $B$
High- frequency measurements (6)		X OR G and R OR B at center scale (zero)	Z (OR Y) INITIAL BAL REVERSED	$\triangle X$ OR $\triangle G$ and $\triangle R$ OR $\triangle B$		Z (OR Y) MEASURE	X OR G and R OR B	Final X OR G and R OR B

<sup>(\*)</sup> Make the initial balance primarily with the two controls listed in this column. The other two controls may be adjusted for bal-

ance unless otherwise noted by an entry in column 2.

(\*\*) Multiply the imaginary component, X OR B, by  $\frac{f_0}{f}$  for impedance measurements, or by  $\frac{f}{f_0}$  for admittance measurements.



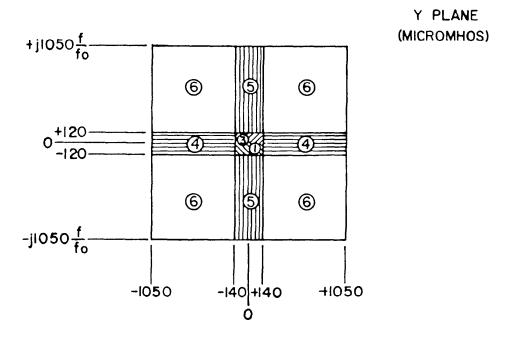


Figure 2-4. Ranges for reversed-operation measurement of impedance (above) and admittance (below). Measurement procedures are given in Table 2.



### SECTION 3

### PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

### 3.1 GENERAL.

The basic circuit of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge is shown in Figure 3-1. The B arm is a fixed resistor  $R_b$  and the N arm is a fixed capacitor  $C_n$ . As with any impedance bridge, two separate controls must be adjusted for a complete null balance. These are (1) a rheostat, in parallel with fixed capacitor  $C_a$ , that varies the conductance  $G_a$  of the A arm, and (2) a rheostat, in series with fixed capacitor  $C_p$ , that varies the resistance  $R_p$  of the P arm.

An external sinusoidal ac generator is connected to the bridge across Q-S through an internal double-shielded isolation transformer having a 4-to-1 step-down turns ratio. An external null-balance detector is connected to the bridge across T-V.

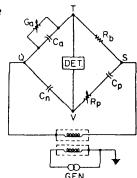
The Z-Y Bridge employs a substitution technique: an initial balance, without the unknown element, is followed by a final balance with the unknown in the circuit. The difference in the points of balance indicates the complex components of the unknown. This procedure avoids some of the residual-impedance errors ordinarily encountered in bridge circuits as well as certain calibration errors of the bridge components.

For impedance measurement, the unknown is inserted, by switching, in series into the P arm of the bridge (between R<sub>p</sub> and V). For admittance measurement, the unknown is connected in parallel across the A arm (between Q and T).

On the left-hand side of the panel, the X OR G control and the  $\triangle X$  OR  $\triangle G$  control are in parallel and vary the conductance  $G_a$  of the A arm. On the right-hand side of the panel, the R OR B control and the  $\triangle R$  OR  $\triangle B$  control are in series and vary the resistance  $R_p$  of the P arm. The dials on these controls in no way indicate the actual values of  $G_a$  and  $R_p$ , but indicate the change in  $\mu$ mhos,  $\&G_a$ , and the change in ohms,  $\&R_p$ , between the initial and final balances.

The two main dials have identical zero-centered and linear scales extending to 1050 units in each direction. The  $\Delta X$  OR  $\Delta G$  and  $\Delta R$  OR  $\Delta B$  dials have full-

Figure 3-1. Basic circuit of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.



scale ranges of 120 and 140 units respectively and are purposely made nonlinear. Each  $\triangle$  dial is calibrated in the same units, and functions in the same rotational sense as its companion main dial.

A six-position switch in the upper right-hand part of the panel disconnects the high unknown terminal for all initial balances and inserts the unknown into the A or the P arm of the bridge for the final balance, depending on whether impedance or admittance is to be measured. The low terminal of the unknown remains directly connected at all times, either to the bridge vertex T for the three admittance positions or to the vertex V for the three impedance positions. For both admittance and impedance measurements there are two alternative initial-balance positions (designated as NORMAL and REVERS-ED; refer to paragraphs 2.6 and 2.7), and a single position (designated as MEASURE) for the final balance.

### NOTE

For any specific measurement, this switch must be used either exclusively in its three left-hand positions (impedance measurement) or exclusively in its three right-hand positions (admittance measurement). For example, never follow an initial impedance balance with a final admittance balance.

#### 3.2 COMPONENTS MEASURED.

The customary types of impedance bridges (Maxwell, Hay, Schering, etc) usually have limited maximum and minimum ranges and evaluate, more or less directly, the inductance or capacitance of the unknown circuit element together with its resistance, its Q, or its dissipation factor D. Determination of the reactance or susceptance values of the unknown requires computation in terms of the angular frequency  $\omega$ .

For many applications, the parameters of prime importance are the Cartesian coordinates of the complex impedance, series resistance and reactance, or the Cartesian coordinates of the complex admittance, conductance and susceptance. The Z-Y Bridge measures these Cartesian coordinates over an extended audio-frequency range, nominally from 20 cps to 20 kc. The unknown may lie in any of the four quadrants of the complex plane, since this bridge can measure both positive and negative values of  $R_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $G_{\mathbf{x}}$  as well as  $X_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $B_{\mathbf{x}}$ , which individually can have any magnitude from zero to infinity. In this sense, it is a truly universal bridge.

The basic equations for the resistance  $R_{\boldsymbol{x}}$  and the conductance  $G_{\boldsymbol{x}}$  of the unknown are:

$$R_x \text{ (in ohms)} = \partial R_p \text{ (in ohms)}$$
 (1)

$$G_{\mathbf{x}}$$
 (in  $\mu$ mhos) =  $\delta G_a$  (in  $\mu$ mhos) (2)

These equations hold for any value of the operating frequency f. Positive values of  $R_x$  and  $G_x$  are indicated by a counterclockwise displacement of the corresponding control dial for the final balance (decrease of  $R_p$  or  $G_a$ ). Clockwise displacement indicates negative  $R_x$  or  $G_x$ .

When the unknown is measured as an impedance, the basic equation for its reactance, in terms of the selected  $f_O$  is:

$$X_{x}$$
 (in ohms) =  $\left(\frac{f_{o}}{f}\right) \delta G_{a}$  (in  $\mu$ mhos) (3)

A positive (inductive) reactance is indicated by a counterclockwise rotation of the corresponding control dial for the final balance (decrease of  $G_a$ ). A negative (capacitive) reactance is indicated by a clockwise rotation of the corresponding control dial for the final balance (increase of  $G_a$ ).

When the unknown is measured as an admittance, the basic equation for its susceptance, in terms of the selected  $f_0$ , is:

$$B_{\mathbf{x}} \text{ (in } \mu \text{mhos)} = \left(\frac{f}{f_0}\right) \delta R_{\mathbf{p}} \text{ (in ohms)}$$
 (4)

A positive (capacitive) susceptance is indicated by a clockwise rotation of the corresponding control for the final balance (increase of  $R_{\rm p}$ ). A negative (inductive) susceptance is indicated by a counterclockwise rotation of the corresponding control for the final balance (decrease of  $R_{\rm p}$ ).

Equations 3 and 4 can be transposed to read:

$$\delta G_a = \left(\frac{f}{f_o}\right) X_x = \frac{2\pi f^2 L_x}{f_o} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_o C_x}$$
 (3A)

$$\delta R_p = \left(\frac{f_o}{f}\right) B_x = \frac{f_o}{2\pi f^2 L_{xp}} = 2\pi f_o C_{xp}$$
 (4A)

These equations show that when an inductive unknown is measured as an impedance (equation 3A) or as an admittance (equation 4A), the value of  $\&G_a$  or  $\&R_p$  (and the corresponding final-balance scale reading) will be directly or inversely proportional to  $f^2$ . Accordingly, with an inductive unknown, the generator frequency must be known accurately if correct values of  $X_x$  or  $B_x$  are to be obtained.

Conversely, when a capacitive unknown is measured, the value of  $G_a$  or  $R_p$  is independent of f, provided that  $C_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $C_{\mathbf{x}p}$  are independent of f, and we need not know the generator frequency exactly to obtain an accurate  $X_{\mathbf{x}}$  or  $B_{\mathbf{x}}$  measurement.

Equations 3A and 4A can be used to obtain the series parameters  $L_x$  and  $C_x$  or the parallel parameters  $L_{xp}$  and  $C_{xp}$  of the unknown.

### 3.3 BRIDGE CIRCUITS.

The bridge networks for normal operation are shown in Figures 3-2, 3-3, and 3-4, in which the resistive elements are designated by the symbols used in the schematic diagram:

R1 is the  $\triangle R$  OR  $\triangle B$  control.

R2 is the R OR B control.

R4 is the  $\triangle X$  OR  $\triangle G$  control and is in series with the fixed resistor R7.

R5 is the X OR G control and is in series with the fixed resistor R8.

The value of R<sub>p</sub> (Figure 3-1) is thus the sum of R1 and either R2 or R3, while the value of G<sub>a</sub> is the over-all conductance of the four-resistor network (R4, R6, R7, R8) in the A arm.

For impedance measurements, the vertex V is grounded, and for admittance measurements the vertex T is grounded.



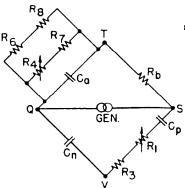


Figure 3-2. Normal initial balance for either  $Z_x$  or  $Y_x$  measurement.

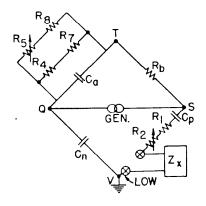


Figure 3-3. Normal final balance for  $Z_x$  measurement.

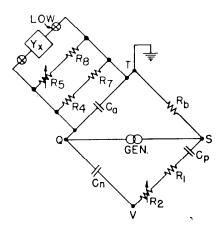


Figure 3-4.
Normal final
balance for Y<sub>x</sub>
measurement.

Theoretically, the initial balance values of  $G_a$  and  $R_p$  should be independent of the operating frequency and the position of the  $f_o$  switch. Nevertheless, the initial balance will shift and a new setting is required whenever a change is made in any of the following:

- (1) the operating frequency, f
- (2) the position of the  $f_o$  switch
- (3) a shift from impedance to admittance measurement, or vice versa
- (4) a change from normal to reversed operation, or vice versa.

This initial-balance shift, which has no appreciable effect upon the final data, is caused by the action of some frequency-sensitive residual impedance and by the fact that the fixed bridge parameters cannot economically be made to have their exact theoretical values. A change made solely in the parameters of the unknown does not require a new initial balance.

Initial balance is made with the two  $\triangle$  controls and final balance is made with the two main controls. Hence, in accordance with the legend given on the main dials, their scales read directly (without subtraction) the values of  $\delta G_a$  and  $\delta R_p$  to be substituted into equations (1) through (4).

For normal initial balance (Figure 3-2), the measurement switch removes the two main-control rheostats (R2 and R5) from the bridge circuit and replaces them with two fixed resistors (R3 and R6), which have the center-scale resistance values of R2 and R5, respectively. Hence, the main dials may remain in any arbitrary position for the initial balance. This feature is a decided convenience, especially when the unknown is measured at different frequencies to determine its frequency characteristic.

Figures 3-3 and 3-4 are the circuits for the impedance and admittance final balances in normal operation. All four controls are now in circuit, but the final balance is made solely with the two main controls (R2 and R5).

Normal operation is the quickest and most foolproof method of determining whether, at the given operating frequency, the unknown is inductive or capacitive and whether its  $R_x$  and  $G_x$  are positive or negative.

### 3.4 REVERSED OPERATION.

The conditions under which reversed operation will yield more reliable and precise data than normal operation are:

- (1) When the adjustment ranges of the  $\Delta$  controls will not permit an initial balance in normal operation.
- (2) When  $R_x$  is less than 140 ohms or  $G_x$  is less than 120  $\mu$ mhos.
- (3) When, in a normal impedance measurement with the  $f_O$  switch set to 0.1 kc, the X OR G dial reading is less than 120 units.
- (4) When, in a normal admittance measurement with the  $f_{O}$  switch set to 10 kc, the R OR B dial reading is less than 140 units.
- (5) For measurements between 10 and 20 kc, somewhat more accurate data can be obtained with re-

versed operation due to the action of certain bridge residuals (refer to Section 4).

(6) Reversed operation permits this bridge to be used, with decreasing accuracy, up to 30 kc. Use above 30 kc is not recommended.

In the reversed initial balance for either impedance or admittance measurement, all four controls are in circuit and may be used in any desired combination to produce balance (see Figure 3-5).

In the reversed final balance for either impedance or admittance measurement, all four controls are still in circuit. Theoretically, any desired combination of these controls might be used to establish final balance. Hence, the values of  $G_a$  and  $R_p$  for equations (1) through (4) might be computed from the combined displacements of these dials between their initial and final setting. Such a procedure is cumbersome, however, and is not recommended.

The practical method is to use only one of the X OR G controls and only one of the R OR B controls for the final balance. The  $\delta G_a$  and  $\delta R_p$  values are then the differences between the initial and final scale readings of these two dials. No cognizance is taken of the scale reading of the two controls which are not manipulated in making the final balance.

Reversed final balance can be made with:

- a. Both main controls.
- b. One main control and the  $\triangle$  control on the opposite side of the bridge panel.
  - c. Both △ controls.

Procedure for reversed operation is outlined in paragraph 2.7. Refer to Section 4 for residual corrections to  $\delta G_a$ , which may be significant in certain cases.

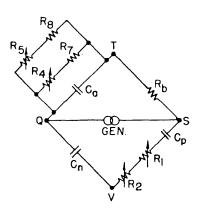


Figure 3-5. Reversed initial balance for either  $Z_x$  or  $Y_x$  measurement.

### 3.5 BALANCE EQUATIONS.

With reference to Figure 3-1, this section develops the working equations (1) through (4) under the assumption that no residual impedances exist in the bridge network.

Let  $G_{a1}$  and  $R_{p1}$  be the initial-balance values of these parameters. Then the complex equation for the initial balance is:

$$R_{p1} - \frac{j}{\omega C_p} = -\frac{jR_b}{\omega C_n} (G_{a1} + j\omega C_a)$$
 (5)

From equation (5) we obtain the two (scalar) initialbalance equations:

$$R_{p1}C_n = R_bC_a \tag{6}$$

$$C_n = R_b C_p G_{a1} \tag{7}$$

Note that both equations (6) and (7) are independent of frequency and that the initial balance will have no sliding zero since neither control parameter occurs in both equations.

Let  $G_{a2}$  and  $R_{p2}$  be the final-balance values of these parameters. Then the complex equation for final balance in impedance measurements is:

$$R_{p2} + R_x + j\left(X_x - \frac{1}{\omega C_p}\right) = \frac{-jR_b}{\omega C_n} (G_{a2} + j\omega C_a)$$
 (8)

Equation (8) yields the two (scalar) impedance-measurement final-balance equations:

$$C_n (R_{p2} + R_x) = R_b C_a$$
 (2)

$$C_n (1 - \omega C_p X_x) = R_b C_p G_{a2}$$
 (10)

which again show no sliding zero. Note, however, that equation (10) is a function of  $\omega^2$  if  $X_x$  is inductive, but is independent of  $\omega$  if  $X_x$  is capacitive (refer to paragraph 3.2).

Let  $G_{a3}$  and  $R_{p3}$  be the final-balance values of these parameters for admittance measurement. Then the complex equation for final balance is:

$$R_{p3} - \frac{j}{\omega C_p} = \frac{-jR_b}{\omega C_n} (G_{a3} + G_x + j\omega C_a + jB_x)$$
 (11)



Equation (11) yields the two (scalar) admittancemeasurement final-balance equations:

$$R_{p3}C_n = R_b \left( C_a + \frac{B_x}{\omega} \right) \tag{12}$$

$$C_n = R_b C_p (G_{a3} + G_x)$$
 (13)

which again show no sliding zero. Note, however, that equation (12) is a function of  $\omega^2$  if  $B_x$  is inductive, but is independent of  $\omega$  if  $B_x$  is capacitive (refer to paragraph 3.2).

Since a substitution technique is employed with the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge, we can combine equations (6) and (9) to obtain our original equation (1) to determine the components of  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}$ :

$$R_x = R_{p1} - R_{p2} = \delta R_p$$

which yields a positive  $R_x$  if  $R_{p1}$  exceeds  $R_{p2}$ . Likewise, combining equations (7) and (10), we have:

$$X_x = \frac{R_b}{\omega C_n} (G_{a1} - G_{a2}) = K (G_{a1} - G_{a2})$$
 (14)

where the bridge constant, K, is the product of the scalar impedance values of the B and N bridge arms:

$$K = \frac{R_b}{\omega C_0}$$
 (15)

Note that  $X_x$  will be positive (inductive) if  $G_{a1}$  exceeds  $G_{a2}$ .

In a like manner, we can combine equations (7) and (13) to obtain our original equation (2) to determine the components of  $Y_x$ :

$$G_{\mathbf{v}} = G_{\mathbf{a}1} - G_{\mathbf{a}3} = \delta G_{\mathbf{a}}$$

in which  $G_x$  will be positive if  $G_{a1}$  exceeds  $G_{a3}$ . Combining equations (6) and (12) gives:

$$B_{x} = (R_{p3} - R_{p1}) \left( \frac{\omega C_{n}}{R_{b}} \right) = \frac{R_{p3} - R_{p1}}{K}$$
 (16)

Note that  $B_x$  will be negative (inductive) if  $R_{p,1}$  exceeds  $R_{p,3}$ .

### 3.6 CHOICE OF BRIDGE PARAMETERS.

Note that, in the two types of measurement, the functions of the two balance controls are transposed. In the measurement of impedance, the change in  $R_p$  gives directly the real component  $R_x$  and the change in  $G_a$  determines the imaginary component  $X_x$ ; while in the measurement of admittance, the change in  $R_p$  determines the imaginary component  $B_x$  and the change in  $G_a$  gives directly the real component  $G_x$ .

A given scale on the  $R_p$  control can be made direct-reading in both  $R_x$  and  $B_x$  by the proper choice of the bridge constant,  $K(\frac{R_b}{\omega C_n})$ . Similarly, the  $G_a$  control can be made direct-reading in both  $G_x$  and  $X_x$ . If these common dial scales are to be calibrated in ohms and micromhos, the required value of K is  $10^6$ . If complete coverage of all possible values of the unknown either as an impedance or as an admittance is desired, the unknown resistance range must be the reciprocal of the unknown conductance range. In the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge, when K equals  $10^6$ , identical ranges of  $100^6$  ohms and 1000  $\mu$ mhos have been chosen for the complex parameters of the unknown, with an overlap of 50 units on each end. Initial balance must then occur at midrange of both main-control scales to permit measurement of positive and negative values of  $R_x$ ,  $G_x$ ,  $X_x$ , and  $B_x$ .

For linear main-dial scale in resistance and susceptance,  $R_p$  should be a linear rheostat. To obtain a linear main-dial scale in conductance and reactance, the value  $G_a$  is actually the conductance of a fixed resistor in series with a rheostat (the  $G_a$  control), which is wound on an appropriately tapered form.

From equation (15) it is seen that the bridge constant, K, is a function of frequency. The  $f_o$  switch selects the fixed parameters of the bridge network to keep each of the products  $R_bC_a$  and  $R_bC_p$  constant and, simultaneously, to give K a value of  $10^6$  for any one of three convenient reference frequencies:  $f_o = 100$  cps, 1 kc, or 10 kc. When the bridge is operated at the selected reference frequency, we have:

$$X_x \text{ (in ohms)} = 10^6 \delta G_a \text{ (in } \mu \text{mhos)}$$
 (17)

$$10^6 B_{\mathbf{x}} (\text{in } \mu \text{mhos}) = -\delta R_{\mathbf{p}} (\text{in ohms})$$
 (18)

thus giving direct-reading scales in  $X_x$  and  $B_x$ . When the operating frequency,  $f_0$ , differs from the selected reference frequency,  $f_0$ , we can substitute the value:

$$K = 10^6 \frac{f_0}{f}$$
 (19)

into equations (14) and (16) and obtain the original working equations:

$$X_x$$
 (in ohms) =  $\frac{f_o}{f}$  ( $\delta G_a$  in  $\mu$ mhos)

$$B_{\mathbf{x}}$$
 (in  $\mu$ mhos) =  $\frac{-f}{f_0}$  ( $\delta R_p$  in ohms)

The basic component values chosen for this bridge are as follows: Starting with  $C_n = 0.1~\mu f$  and choosing the initial-balance values to be  $R_p = 1100~\Omega$  and  $G_a = 2200~\mu mhos$ , then  $R_b = 628.3~f_o$ ,  $C_a = \frac{0.1752}{f_o}$  and  $C_p = \frac{0.07238}{f_o}$ .

# 3.7 CONDITIONS FOR BOTH $Z_{\chi}$ AND $Y_{\chi}$ MEASUREMENT

For a specific operating frequency and  $f_o$  setting, there is a choice between impedance and admittance measurement only over a small range (see Figures 2-2 and 2-3). However, for a specific operating frequency, f, it may be possible to have  $X_x$  (f/f<sub>o</sub>) less than 1000, permitting a final balance with the X OR G control, while for a different  $f_o$  setting, it may also be possible to have  $B_x$  (f<sub>o</sub>/f) less than 1000, permitting a final balance with the R OR G control. To have this choice, however, G must be less than 1000 ohms and G must be less than 1000 G must

$$\frac{1000}{1 + Q_{x}^{2}} < R_{x} \text{ (in ohms)} < 1000$$
 (20)

or, what is the same thing, that Gx lies within the limits:

$$\frac{1000}{1 + Q_x^2} < G_x \text{ (in } \mu \text{mhos)} < 1000$$
 (21)

The larger the value of  $Q_x$ , the broader will be the range of  $R_x$  and  $G_x$  values which satisfy equations (20) and (21). It should be understood that, while equations (20) and (21) must be satisfied to have a choice of measurement, they do not, per se, stipulate that a choice is possible.

### 3.8 UNIVERSALITY OF THE BRIDGE.

In terms of the working equations (1) through (4), we can now demonstrate the universality of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge, having scale range of  $\pm 1000$  ohms or  $\mu$ mhos, for any given f and any chosen  $f_0$ .

A final balance of this bridge can be obtained in terms of impedance if  $R_x$  and  $X_x$  (f/f<sub>o</sub>) are both below 1000 ohms. If either of these quantities exceeds 1000 ohms, an impedance balance is possible. However, if the unknown is connected in parallel in the A arm, a final admittance balance can be obtained, as the following consideration will show. If either component of the complex impedance,  $R_x + jX_x(f/f_o)$ , exceeds 1000 ohms, the scalar value of this impedance must exceed 1000 ohms. This means that the scalar value of the corresponding complex admittance, as well as each of its components, must be less than 1000  $\mu$ mhos.

Conversely, and by the same reasoning, if either of the quadrature components  $G_x$  or  $B_x(f_o/f)$  exceeds 1000  $\mu$ mhos an admittance balance is impossible whereas an impedance balance can always be made.

Thus, either a final  $Z_x$  or a final  $Y_x$  balance is always possible, and we have a truly "universal" bridge with an infinite range.

As shown in paragraph 2.5, it may be possible to enhance the precision of an  $X_x$  measurement by reducing the original  $f_o$  value, or to enhance the precision of a  $B_x$  measurement by increasing the original  $f_o$  value.



# SECTION 4

### EFFECT OF RESIDUAL IMPEDANCES

### 4.1 GENERAL.

In any impedance bridge, the basic balance equations are modified by the existence of various residual impedances. The final effect of certain residuals that exist unchanged in both initial and final balances, is automatically canceled in the substitution technique used in this Z-Y Bridge. Other residuals may produce a certain amount of sliding zero when unknowns with low Q values are measured. In general, the degree to which bridge residuals modify the basic equations increases with the operating frequency. The most important residuals in this bridge are discussed in the following paragraphs.

### 4.2 RESIDUAL CAPACITANCE AT BRIDGE VERTICES.

The residual capacitance to ground at each vertex of the bridge network exists in all impedance bridges. If one vertex of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge, such as vertex V, is actually grounded, the residual capacitance of the opposite vertex, T, has no effect on the bridge balance. The residual capacitance of vertex Q exists in parallel with the large capacitor  $C_n$  (0.1  $\mu$ f) and has a negligible effect. The ground capacitance of vertex S is thrown across the P arm of the bridge and may have an appreciable effect at high frequencies. These conditions exist, in both initial and final balances for impedance measurements of grounded unknowns (Figure 5-10) or in measuring a direct  $Y_d$  value (Figure 5-11).

For admittance measurements of a grounded unknown (or in measuring a direct impedance value,  $Z_{\rm d}$ ) the vertex T is directly grounded. The ground capacitance of vertex Q is now in parallel with  $C_{\rm a}$  (minimum value 0.018  $\mu$ f) and is usually negligible. The residual capacitance of vertex S is now thrown across the B arm of the bridge and will have an appreciable effect at high frequencies, especially when  $f_{\rm O}$  is set to 10 kc giving the maximum  $R_{\rm b}$  = 6.3 k $\Omega$ .

In substitution measurements, these vertex residuals exist in both initial and final balances so that, to a first order, their effects cancel in an evaluation of  $G_a$  and  $R_p$ . However, shifting the S-vertex residual from

the P arm to the B arm requires too large a displacement of the  $\triangle$  controls between initial balances for impedance and admittance measurements. Three steps are therefore taken to minimize the effective residual capacitance at the S vertex:

- (1) C5, C6, and C7 are given a minimum capacitance to ground.
- (2) The shielded transformer (Figure 3-1) is connected so that it contributes a minimum amount to this residual
- (3) A small voltage, of appropriate phase and magnitude, is introduced at S to cancel partially the effect of this residual capacitance. For this purpose, a small capacitor, C12, joins S and the ungrounded terminal of the generator. This canceling action, being a function of the frequency characteristic of the transformer, cannot be perfect, so that a new initial balance is required when shifting from impedance to admittance measurements.

### 4.3 RESIDUAL INDUCTANCE IN MAIN CONTROLS.

The second residual of importance in this Z-Y Bridge is the residual inductance of the winding of the two main rheostat controls, R2 and R5, which are assumed to be pure resistances in the basic equations. The effect of this residual has been largely canceled at midscale and at extreme-scale positions by the connection of an appropriate capacitor, C8, C9, C10, and C11, across each half of each of these rheostat windings. When  $f_0$  is set to 10 kc, C9 is augmented by C13. A residual inductance reaches a maximum at the 500-scale points.

The fact that this center-point cancellation is not perfect is the principle reason why some difference exists between normal initial balances and reversed balances for either impedance or admittance measurements.

Due to this residual inductance, reversed operation using the two main controls in both the initial and final balances (paragraph 2.7) should yield more accurate data. An appropriate capacitor, C16, is likewise connected across the  $\Delta$  control, R1.

# 4.4 CORRECTION FOR RESIDUAL INDUCTANCE IN MAIN R OR B CONTROL.

To obtain the most accurate value of reactance or conductance, it may be desirable, in certain cases, to compute and apply a correction to the observed value of  $\delta G_a$  in order to compensate for the residual inductance that remains in the main R OR B control rheostat. Conversely, it has been found that no correction is necessary in  $R_p$  due to residual inductance remaining in the main X OR G control.

This correction to  $\delta G_a$  is practical only when reversed operation is used. It is a function of the final balance setting of the main R OR B control and is proportional to the ratio  $f^2/f_o$ , so that it is most important with higher operating frequencies and when  $f_o$  is set to 0.1 kc. The procedure is as follows:

- a. Observe the scale reading of the main R OR B control at final balance and from the curve in Figure 4-1, determine the positive numerical value of M. This curve was computed on the basis that f and  $f_O$  are each  $1 \, \text{kc}$ .
- b. If the final-balance position of the main R OR B control reads positive resistance (or inductive susceptance), the correction term in  $\mu$ mhos is:

Correction to 
$$\delta G_a = k_1 M \left( \frac{f^2}{f_0} \right)$$
 (22)

c. If the final-balance position of the main R OR B control reads capacitive susceptance, the correction term in  $\mu$ mhos is:

Correction to 
$$\delta G_a = k_2 M \left( \frac{f^2}{f_0} \right)$$
 (23)

d. The individual values for the constants, k<sub>1</sub> and k<sub>2</sub>, for this particular bridge are:

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$$k_1 =$$
\_\_\_\_\_  $k_2 =$ \_\_\_\_\_ when  $f_0 = 10 \text{ kc}$ ,  $k_2' =$ \_\_\_\_\_\_

e. When measuring an inductive impedance or any admittance with a positive G, decrease the observed absolute value of  $\delta G_a$  by the correction term.

- f. When measuring a capacitive impedance or any admittance with a negative G, increase the observed absolute value of  $\delta G_a$  by the correction term.
- g. Use these corrected values of  $\&G_a$  in the basic equations (2) and (3).

Residual inductance in the main R OR B control causes excessive counterclockwise or deficient clockwise rotation of either the X OR G or  $\Delta X$  OR  $\Delta G$  control for final balance. Two different k values result from the five-percent tolerance in the compensating capacitors, C8 and C9.

Parenthetically, it may be noted that the correction to  $X_x$  in ohms is the product  $k_1Mf$  and is the corresponding residual inductive reactance in ohms in the main R OR B control and is thus proportional to f and independent of  $f_o$ . When f=10 kc, the maximum correction to  $X_x$  usually lies within the limits of 2 to 4 ohms. The curve in Figure 4-1 was drawn on the assumption that a 500-ohm carbon resistor showed a fictitious reactance of 0.2 ohm at 1.0 kc, so that, at the  $\pm 500$ -scale position, the main R OR B control had a maximum noncompensated inductance of 32  $\mu$ h.

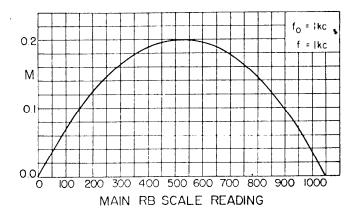


Figure 4-1.
Correction factor M (for Equations 22 and 23).

### 4.5 RESIDUAL CORRECTIONS OF DIRECT ADMIT-TANCE MEASUREMENTS.

In the final balance for direct admittance measurements (refer to paragraph 5.5.2) the bridge capacitor  $C_n$  is augmented by the ground capacitance of the unknown terminal that is connected to the high bridge terminal. If the smaller ground capacitance,  $C_{g\,2}$ , exceeds 1000 pf, a correction for this residual is desirable. Proceed as follows:

a. With  $C_{g\,2}$  against the high bridge terminal, measure the direct components of admittance:



$$G_d = (\delta G_a)_1 + 22,000 C_{g2}$$
 (24)

$$B_{d} = \frac{f}{f_{o}} \left[ (\delta R_{p})_{1} + 10 C_{g2} \left[ 1100 + (\delta R_{p})_{1} \right] \right]$$
 (25)

b. Reverse the connections to the unknown so that  $C_{g\,1}$  is against the high bridge terminal and measure the same direct components:

$$G_d = (\delta G_a)_2 + 22,000 C_{g1}$$
 (26)

$$B_{d} = \frac{f}{f_{o}} \left[ (\delta R_{p})_{2} + 10 C_{g1} \left[ 1100 + (\delta R_{p})_{2} \right] \right]$$
 (27)

c. Connect together the two direct terminals of the unknown to short out the direct admittance and leave  $C_{g\,1}$  and  $C_{g\,2}$  in parallel. Shift the detector terminals and measure the combined ground susceptance,  $B_g$ , of the resulting grounded two-terminal unknown:

$$B_g = \omega(C_{g1} + C_{g2}) = \left(\frac{f}{f_0}\right) (\delta R_p)_3$$
 (28)

d. Solution of these simultaneous equations yields the values of the two ground capacitances:

$$C_{g1} = \frac{B_g}{2\omega} + \left[ \frac{(\delta G_a)_1 - (\delta G_a)_2}{44,000} \right]$$
 (29)

$$C_{g2} = \frac{B_g}{2\omega} - \left[ \frac{(\delta G_a)_1 - (\delta G_a)_2}{44,000} \right]$$
 (30)

These computed  $C_g$  values are then substituted above to give the corrected components of the direct admittance. In the foregoing equations, capacitance values are in microfarads and  $\omega$  is in radians per second. If any final balance indicates an inductive susceptance, the corresponding ( $\delta R_p$ ) is negative.

In the measurement of a three-terminal admittance that is balanced to ground so that each ground capacitance is given directly by the ratio  $B_g/\omega$ , the measurement in step b is not necessary.

SECTION 5

# **APPLICATIONS**

### 5.1 TYPICAL LABORATORY MEASUREMENTS.

The following random tests made with the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge demonstrate the universality of this instrument.

- 1. The curve shown in Figure 5-1 is the input impedance of an electronic network with feedback. The Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge was used to measure positive and negative values of both real and imaginary components.
- 2. If the resonant frequency of an inductor is below 20 kc, the susceptance can be determined as shown in Figure 5-2. To locate the fundamental resonant frequency, adjust the generator frequency until  $R_p$  (observed on the  $\Delta R$  OR  $\Delta B$  dial with reversed operation) vanishes. Alternatively, a few measurements of  $B_x$  can be made in the vicinity of  $I_1$ , and the frequency for  $I_2$  be then determined by graphical interpolation.
- 3. Figure 5-3 shows a typical "black-box" problem, in which the frequency characteristics of im-

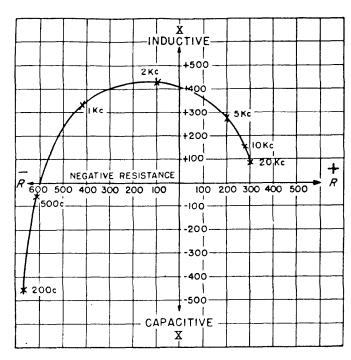


Figure 5-1. Input impedance of a feedback circuit showing negative resistance characteristic.

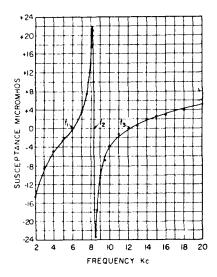


Figure 5-2. Susceptance variation of a 5-henry inductor at frequencies where distributed capacitance produces resonance effects.

pedance components are given for the illustrated LCR network, which was resonant just below 1 kc.

4. The electroacoustic behavior of transducers is shown by their circle diagrams. Figure 5-4 shows the unclamped circle for a small, two-ohm, two-inch loud-

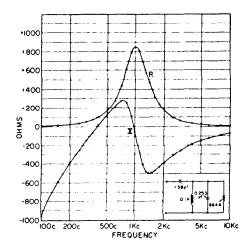


Figure 5-3. Impedance components of "black box" as a function of frequency.

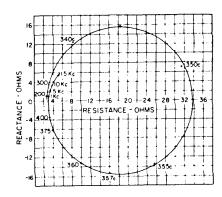


Figure 5-4. Reactance vs resistance for a typical loudspeaker.

speaker without a transformer, and shows acoustic resunance at 352 cps.

- 5. Figure 5-5 shows how the series capacitance of an electrolytic capacitor measured over the audio range falls progressively with increasing frequency, and how the series resistance rises rapidly with decreasing frequency below 400 cps.
- 6. Figure 5-6 shows the impedance components of a magnetic tape-recorder head. Since the slopes of the R and X curves remain positive, no unwanted resonance occurs within the audio range.
- 7. The bridge is particularly useful in measurements of the ac conductivity of electrolytic solutions. Irrespective of dielectric constant, the reactive component of the test-cell impedance can be balanced.



Figure 5-7 is data taken on tap water in a Balsbaugh cell.

- 8. Some of the many other applications for which the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge is suited are:
- a. determination of leakage reactance of transformers.
- b. impedance measurements of open- and closed-circuit transmission lines at audio frequencies, and
- c. measurements for circular arc plots of solids with lossy polarizations in the audio-frequency range. Such data have hitherto been difficult to procure in this range.

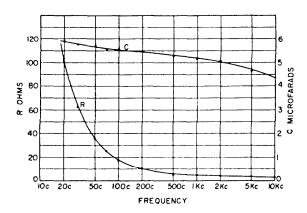


Figure 5-5. Impedance parameters of an electrolytic capacitor.

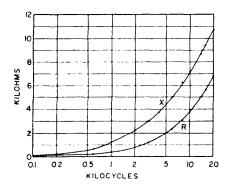


Figure 5-6. Impedance components of tape recorder bead as a function of frequency.

### 5.2 MEASUREMENT OF DC ACTIVE UNKNOWNS.

Within certain voltage limitations, the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge can be used to measure the internal

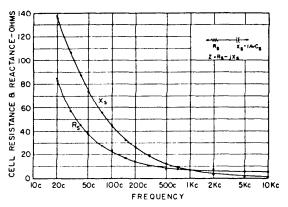


Figure 5-7.

Impedance components of a Balsbaugh cell (110 pf empty) filled with tap water. Since the electrodes of this particular cell were not designed for use with water, the data are not indicative of the actual constants of the water, but are presented here only as an example of this type of measurement.

impedance of dc active unknowns, such as batteries and dc power supplies. In order to prevent a momentary short-circuiting of the unknown and detrimental switch arcing, as the measurement switch is operated, it is essential that the voltage of the unknown be applied to the bridge only with the measurement switch set at either Z MEASURE or Y MEASURE. Therefore, this switch cannot be used for introducing the unknown for the final balance, as is conveniently done for all passive unknowns.

To measure internal impedance of dc active unknowns:

- a. Connect the LOW terminal of the unknown to the bridge.
  - b. Make the desired initial balance.
- c. Set the measurement switch to Z MEASURE (or Y MEASURE).
- d. Attach the high terminal of the unknown to the bridge and make the final balance.
- e. Disconnect the high side of the unknown before switching the measurement switch.
- f. For impedance measurement, short-circuit the unknown terminals to discharge the bridge capacitors before switching the measurement switch.

If the dc emf does not exceed 15 volts, the active unknown can be measured as either impedance or admittance, depending upon its internal parameters. For admittance measurements, the unknown will be subjected to approximately a 75-ohm resistive bridge load with  $f_o$  set to 0.1 kc; approximately 210 ohms with  $f_o$  set to 1.0 kc; and approximately 290 ohms with  $f_o$  set to 10 kc. For impedance measurements, the load will be infinite.

#### CAUTION

If the dc emf is between 15 and 150 volts, the active unknown can be measured only as an impedance, which means that its internal resistance must be less than 1050 ohms. In this case, do not set the measurement switch to any of the three admittance positions.

### 5.3 MEASUREMENT OF INCREMENTAL INDUCTANCE.

Although this bridge was not designed specifically for the purpose, it is possible to measure the incremental inductance of a relatively low-impedance test inductor, provided that its resistance is less than 1000 ohms so that it can be measured as an impedance.

Connect a suitable dc biasing emf in series with an ammeter and rheostat of value r across the inductor as it is measured. If L and R are the series parameters of such a test inductor (scalar impedance = Z), the measured components of its parallel combination with r are:

$$X_{x} = \frac{\omega L}{1 + \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{Z^{2}}{r^{2}}} = \frac{\omega L}{1 + 2\frac{R}{r}}$$
 (31)

$$R_{x} = \frac{R(1 + \frac{Z^{2}}{Rr})}{1 + \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{Z^{2}}{r^{2}}} = \frac{R(1 + \frac{Z^{2}}{Rr})}{1 + 2\frac{R}{r}}$$
 (32)

The third members of these equations are valid approximations if r is kept large enough so that  $Z^2$  is negligible compared with  $r^2$ . To evaluate the small correction term in the denominator of equation (31), we will assume the less extreme inequality that the square of Z is negligible compared to the product Rr in equation (32) and obtain:

$$R = \frac{R_x}{1 - \frac{2R_x}{R_x}}$$
 (33)

Finally, substitute equation (33) into equation (31) to give the desired incremental inductance:

$$L = \frac{X_x}{\omega \left(1 - \frac{2R_x}{r}\right)}$$
 (34)

in the presence of the biasing current. The incremental storage factor of the test indicator will be approximately  $X_x/R_x$ .

It is assumed above that the biasing branch has an impedance, r + j0. Since a dc active network is being measured, use the procedure outlined in paragraph 5.2. The dc voltage drop across the test inductor must not exceed 150 volts, and the measurement switch must be restricted to the three impedance positions.

### 5.4 MEASUREMENT OF POLARIZED CAPACITORS.

By an analogous procedure, electrolytic capacitors carrying a dc polarizing voltage up to 150 volts can be measured as impedances. A suitable polarizing emf with the correct polarity is applied through a resistor of value r across the test capacitor. The voltage source should be on the low side to minimize the effect of its ground capacitance so that the impedance of the polarizing branch is essentially r + j0. If there is any appreciable dc leakage current in the capacitor, the applied emf must be reduced by the Irdrop in r (measured by an ammeter in the polarizing path) to give the actual potential on the capacitor.

If C and R are the series parameters of the test capacitor, (scalar impedance = Z), the measured components of its parallel combination with r are:

$$X_{x} = \frac{-1}{\omega C \left(1 + \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{Z^{2}}{r^{2}}\right)} = \frac{-1}{\omega C \left(1 + \frac{2R}{r}\right)}$$
 (35)

$$R_{x} = \frac{R\left(1 + \frac{Z^{2}}{Rr}\right)}{1 + \frac{2R}{r} + \frac{Z^{2}}{r^{2}}} = \frac{R\left(1 + \frac{Z^{2}}{Rr}\right)}{1 + \frac{2R}{r}}$$
(36)

The third members of these equations are valid approximations if we make r large enough so that  $Z^2$  is negligible compared with  $r^2$ . To evaluate the small correction



term in the denominator of equation (35) we will assume the less extreme inequality that the square of Z is negligible compared with the product Rr in equation (36) and obtain equation (33) as in paragraph 5.3. Finally, substitute equation (33) into equation (35) to give the polarized value of capacitance:

$$C = \frac{1 - \frac{2R_x}{r}}{\omega X_x}$$
 (37)

The dissipation factor of this polarized capacitor will be approximately  $R_{\star}/X_{\star}$ .

Since a dc active network is being measured, use the procedure outlined in paragraph 5.2 and use only the three impedance positions of the measurement switch.

### 5.5 MEASUREMENT OF UNGROUNDED UNKNOWNS.

5.5.1 GENERAL. A two-terminal impedance with neither terminal grounded constitutes a delta network composed of the direct impedance  $Z_{\rm d}$  (or a direct admittance,  $Y_{\rm d}$ ) between its terminals plus the ground capacitances  $C_{g\,1}$  and  $C_{g\,2}$  between its terminals and ground (see Figure 5-8). If these two ground capacitances are equal in value, this delta network is described as a balanced impedance or admittance. If  $C_{g\,1}$  is not equal to  $C_{g\,2}$ , the network is unbalanced to a degree determined by the ratio of the two ground capacitances and the terminal having the larger ground capacitance is designated as the low terminal, while the other terminal is the high terminal.

When one terminal of the impedance is directly grounded (usually the low terminal), the delta network no longer exists, since  $C_{g\,1}$  is short-circuited, and we have the direct  $Z_{d}$  or  $Y_{d}$  in parallel with the ground capacitance,  $C_{g\,2}$ , of the high terminal (see Figure 5-9). The unknown can then be measured as a grounded element as outlined in Section 2.

By suitable arrangement of the DETECTOR terminals on the bridge panel, it is also possible to measure the impedance or admittance of either the direct element with both ground capacitances effectively removed, or the unknown as a delta network, balanced or unbalanced, which consists of its direct value,  $Z_{\rm d}$  or  $Y_{\rm d}$ , paralleled by the series combination of its two ground capacitances (see Figure 5-8). This triple choice is a valuable feature which is not available in many impedance bridges.

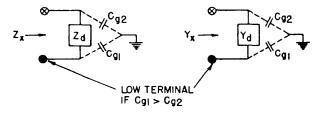


Figure 5-8.

Delta network of nongrounded two-terminal element.

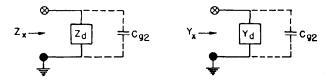


Figure 5-9. Grounded two-terminal element.

- 5.5.2 MEASUREMENT OF THE DIRECT VALUE OF THE UNKNOWN. If  $C_{g\,1}$  differs appreciably from  $C_{g\,2}$ , connect the low terminal of the unknown to the LOW bridge terminal, and the ground terminal, if existent, to the bridge chassis. Strap the red DETECTOR terminal to the adjacent ground post (see Figure 5-10). Connect the null detector to the two insulated terminals with its high input to the black terminal. Neither terminal of the unknown is now directly grounded, and:
- a. The larger of the two ground capacitances, C<sub>g1</sub>, is now across the detector where it has no effect upon the balance of the bridge.
- b. In an admittance measurement, the smaller capacitance,  $C_{g\,2}$ , augments the fixed bridge capacitor ( $C_{n}=0.1~\mu f$ ) by a small amount which, in most cases, is quite negligible. (Refer to paragraph 4.5 for corrections, if necessary.)
- c. In an impedance measurement, the smaller capacitance,  $C_{g\,2}$ , constitutes an additional arm of the bridge from the high side of the unknown to vertex T. For small values of  $C_{g\,2}$ , the error introduced is usually negligible.

Note that only the direct value,  $Z_d$ , is in the P arm of the bridge for impedance measurements and only the direct value of  $Y_d$  is in the A arm for admittance measurements.

5.5.3 MEASUREMENT OF THE BALANCED OR UN-BALANCED DELTA VALUE OF THE UNKNOWN. For this measurement, neither of the insulated *DETECTOR* terminals of the bridge is strapped to the ground terminal; in fact, the entire bridge network is floating above

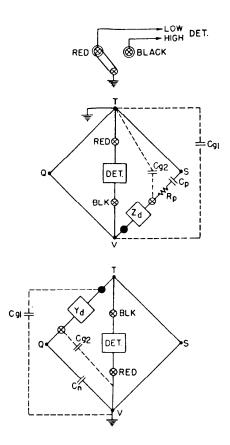


Figure 5-10. Measurement of the direct values,  $Z_d$  and  $Y_d$ .

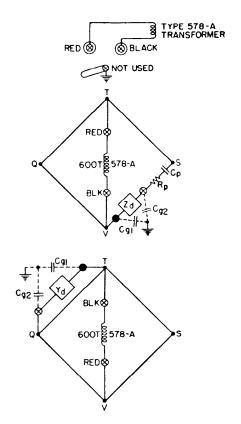
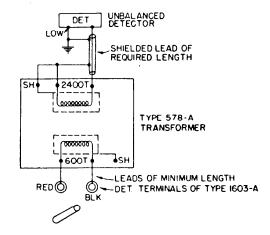


Figure 5-11. Measurement of the delta values of  $Z_x$  and  $Y_x$  balanced or unbalanced.

ground (see Figure 5-11). The detector must be connected to the bridge through an external shielded transformer (General Radio Type 578 or equivalent) as shown in Figure 5-12. The low side of the detector itself can be grounded. Note that the complete delta network of the unknown now exists in the P arm for impedance measurements and in the A arm for admittance measurements.

Figure 5-12. Use of double-shielded detector transformer in measuring delta network of nongrounded element.





# SECTION 6

## SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

### 6.1 WARRANTY.

We warrant that each new instrument sold by us is free from defects in material and workmanship and that properly used it will perform in full accordance with applicable specifications for a period of two years after original shipment. Any instrument or component that is found within the two-year period not to meet these standards after examination by our factory, district office, or authorized repair agency personnel will be repaired or, at our option, replaced without charge, except for tubes or batteries that have given normal service.

### 6.2 SERVICE

The two-year warranty stated above attests the quality of materials and workmanship in our products. When difficulties do occur, our service engineers will assist in any way possible. If the difficulty cannot be eliminated by use of the following service instructions, please write or phone our Service Department (see rear cover), giving full information of the trouble and of steps taken to remedy it. Be sure to mention the serial and type numbers of the instrument.

Before returning an instrument to General Radio for service, please write to our Service Department or nearest district office, requesting a Returned Material Tag. Use of this tag will ensure proper handling and identification. For instruments not covered by the warranty, a purchase order should be forwarded to avoid unnecessary delay.

### 6.3 CLEANING OF CONTROL RHEOSTATS.

If the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge is idle for an extended period, a small amount of sludge may form on the contact surface of the resistance windings of the four control rheostats. This will produce an electrical noise when the controls are manipulated, which is indicated by a scratchy noise when an earphone detector is used, or by erratic behavior of a visual null detector. This condition makes precise balancing annoyingly difficult

although it usually does not invalidate dial readings once balance is established.

To remedy this situation, rotate the controls back and forth several times over their full ranges. Avoid slamming dials against their mechanical stops. If the condition persists, remove the bridge from the cabinet and clean the bearing surfaces of the rheostat cards with a clean lint-free cloth, preferably moistened with alcohol or a half-alcohol, half-ether mixture. DO NOT use water, gasoline, or saliva. DO NOT use any abrasive and DO NOT apply any lubricant.

The two main controls are readily accessible for cleaning. When cleaning, use extreme care not to disturb the tension of the rheostat arm or its setting on the rheostat shaft.

To clean either of the  $\triangle$  controls, it is necessary to disassemble the rheostat and to recalibrate a specific reference point on the scale. Proceed as follows:

- a. Notice the amount of clearance existing between the front surface of the dial and the under surface of the transparent indicator. It will not be necessary to disturb the indicator to remove the dial. When reassembling, make sure that the dial is replaced with the same clearance.
- b. Loosen the two setscrews that fasten the dial to the shaft. Do not disturb the collar on the rear end of the shaft.
- c. A red flexible wire leads from the terminal on the rear of the rheostat. Unsolder this wire at the end away from the rheostat.
- d. Remove the single screw opposite the contact terminal on the rear of the rheostat.
- e. Withdraw the cap portion of the rheostat and remove the dial and friction washers from the shaft. Clean the bearing surface of the winding as directed above.
- f. Rotate the shaft to align the contact brush on the radius with the hole. Replace the rheostat cap and simultaneously introduce the front end of the shaft into the friction washers and dial bushing.
  - g. Rotate the cap so that its rotary contact termi-

nal bisects the small angle between the two terminals on the base of the rheostat. Replace and tighten the single screw.

h. Connect one unknown terminal of a Wheatstone Bridge to the red wire and the other unknown terminal to the wire that runs directly to the base terminal of the rheostat (nearer to the top of the bridge). Rotate the shaft by means of the external rear collar, and, independently, rotate the dial on the shaft until, with a dial reading of 120, the measured resistance is:

for the  $\triangle X$  OR  $\triangle G$  control: 18,400 ohms  $\pm 20$  ohms (one wire turn)

for the  $\triangle R$  OR  $\triangle B$  control: 23.0 ohms  $\pm 0.2$  ohms (one wire turn)

- Tighten the two dial set screws to restore the clearance noted in step a between the dial and its indicator.
- j. Recheck the resistance value for a scale reading of 120, and, if satisfactory, resolder the red wire.

### 6.4 PRELIMINARY TROUBLE-SHOOTING

The apparent failure of the bridge to function properly may be due to sources outside the bridge. If initial balance cannot be obtained:

- a. Check that the generator is actually applying an ac voltage to the GENERATOR terminals.
- b. Check that the null detector responds with sufficient sensitivity and is not overloaded.
- c. Determine whether the unknown is open-or short-circuited, as follows:
- (1) Measure the unknown with reversed operation using the  $\Delta$  controls (refer to paragraph 2.7).
- (2) If identical initial and final  $Z_x$  balances are obtained, the unknown is essentially a short circuit, and  $Z_x = 0 + j0$ .

(3) If identical initial and final  $Y_x$  balances are obtained, the unknown is essentially an open circuit, and  $Y_x = 0 + j0$ .

#### 6.5 ISOLATION OF DEFECTIVE COMPONENT

Suspicion of defective components in the bridge network or faulty switching can often be verified from the following 1-kc measurements with a vacuum-tube voltmeter. Table 3 gives the ratio of the 1-kc voltage across each bridge arm to the voltage across the generator diagonal QS when the controls are adjusted to give either a normal or a reversed initial balance. The last two columns indicate how these voltages vary as the main control dials are given a right-hand rotation (reversed initial balance). The last line gives the ratio of the diagonal voltage QS to the generator voltage.

TABLE 3

Bridge Arms*	0.1 kc	1 kc	10 kc	X OR G	R OR B
ST/QS	0.54	0.63	0.94	Increase	Decrease
SV/QS	0.54	0.63	0.94	Decrease	Increase
· QV/QS	0.75	0.40	0.068	Decrease	Decrease
QT/QS	0.75	0.40	0.068	Decrease	Decrease
QS/E <sub>gen</sub>	0.18	0.24	0.25	Decrease	Decrease

- \*The four vertices of the bridge can be identified as follows:
- a. Vertex Q is the common connection of the four capacitors C1, C2, C3, and C4.
- b. Vertex T is the lead connecting the front terminals of R11 and C2.
- c. Vertex S is a common connection of the three resistors R9, R10, and R11.
  - d. Vertex V is anchor terminal 6.

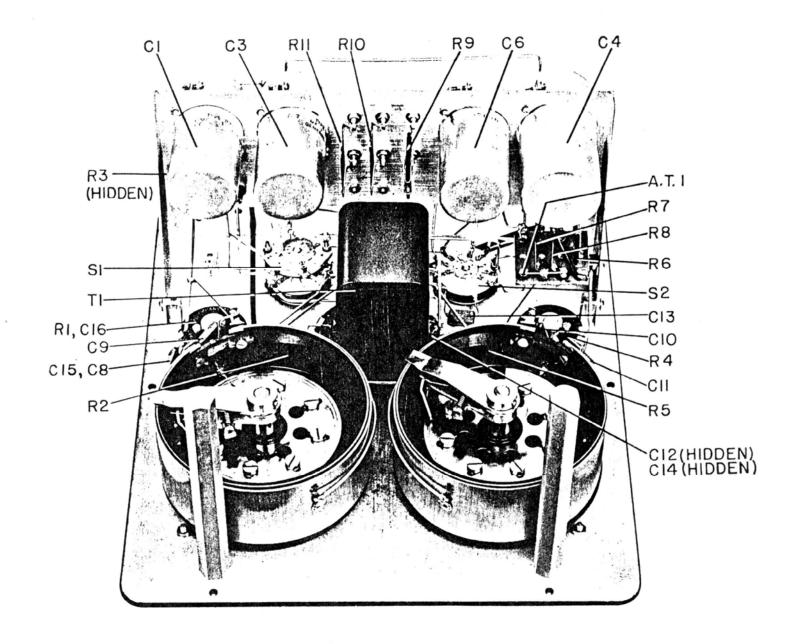


Figure 6-1. Rear interior view of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.

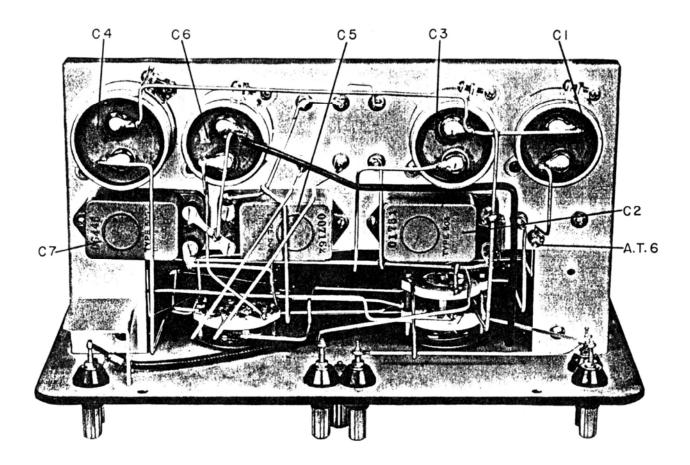


Figure 6-2. Top interior view of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.

### **PARTS LIST**

	DESCRIPTION	PART NO.	FMC	MFG. PART NO.	FSN
CAPACI	TORS				
C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8 C9 C10 C11 C12 C13 C14 C15 C16 C17 C18	Plastic, 0.100μF ±.25%, 100V Plastic, 0.100μF ±.25%, 100V Plastic, 0.1576μF ±1%, 100V Plastic, 1-733μF ±1%, 50V Plastic, 1-733μF ±1%, 50V Plastic, 0.7090μF ±1%, 100V Mica, 200pF ±5% Mica, 240pF ±5% Mica, 750pF ±5% Mica, 1300pF ±5% Mica, 130pF ±5% Trimmer, 1.5-7pF Trimmer, 1.5-7pF Mica, 1000pF ±5% Mica, 240pF ±5% Mica, 240pF ±5% Trimmer, 5-20pF	4860-5200 0505-4760 4860-4900 0505-4780 4860-5000 0505-4770 4860-1900 4860-2000 4680-2000 4680-1600 4910-0300 4680-3200 4680-3200 4680-2000 4910-0400	24655 24655 24655 24655 24655 24655 81349 81349 76433	CM20B150K CM20D131J TS2ANPO, 1.5pF TS2AN200, 7-45pF CM20D102J	5910-101-4714 5910-227-0814 5910-950-1224 5910-799-9275 5910-101-4714
C19 RESISTO	Mica, 620pF ±5%	4680-2700	81349	CM20D621J	
R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10 R11	Potentiometer, $150 \Omega \mu 5\%$ Potentiometer, $2.11$ to $2.14 K\Omega$ Resistance strip, $1.055 K\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Potentiometer, $20 K\Omega \pm 5\%$ Potentiometer, $20 K\Omega \pm 5\%$ Potentiometer, $160.1\Omega \pm 0.05\%$ Resistance strip, $6K\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Resistance strip, $63.46\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Resistance strip, $63.46\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Resistance strip, $63.46\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Resistance strip, $63.46\Omega \pm 0.1\%$ Resistance strip, $6.283 K\Omega \pm 0.1\%$	0973-4020 0433-4040 0510-3750 0973-4070 0433-4050 1603-0260 0510-3770 0510-3780 0510-3800 0510-3810	24655 24655 24655 24655 24655 24655 24655 24655	0973-4020 0433-4040 0510-3750 0973-4070 0433-4050 1603-0260 0510-3770 0510-3780 0510-3790 0510-3800 0510-3810	
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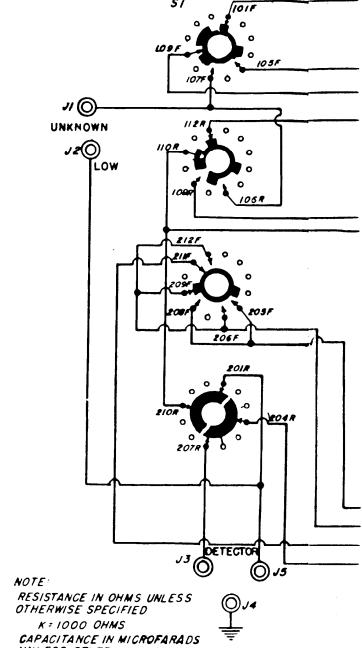
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Patch Cord	0874-9692	24655	0874-9692	
Foot	5250-0200	24655	5250-0200	
Dial Asm. Inductive Reactance Knob - Inner control Knob - Outer control	1603-0340 5520-3500 5520-2100	24655	1603-0340 5520-3500 5520-2100	5355-954 <b>-</b> 7040
Dial Asm - Resistance Knob - Inner control Knob - Outer control	1603-0350 5520-3500 5520-2100	24655	1603-0350 5520-3500 5520-2100	5355-954-7040
Dial + Knob Asm-Initial Balance ΔX to ΔG	1603-0360	24655	1603-0360	
Dial + Knob Asm - Initial Balance $\Delta R$ to $\Delta B$	1603-0370	24655	1603-0370	
Feet - Quantity of 8	5260-1100	24655	5260-1100	
Handle	5360-0500	24655	5360-0500	
Indicators - 4	5470-0900	24655	5470-0900	6625-351-1405
Knob - Frequency for Direct Reading	5500-1100	24655	5500-1100	5355-912-0009
Knob - Initial Balance	5500-1100	24655	5500-1100	5355-912-0009

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01009	Acrovox Corp., New Bedford, Mass. Alden Products Co., Brockton, Mass.	56289	Shure Brothers, Inc., Evanston, Ill. Sprague Electric Co., N. Adams, Mass.	80583	Air Filter Corp., Milwaukee, Wisc. 53218 Hammarlund Co. Inc., New York, N. Y.
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02114	Ferroxcube Corp. of America, Saugerties, N. Y. 12477	60399 61637	Torrington Mfg. Co., Torrington, Conn. Union Carbide Corp., New York, N. Y. 10017	81143 81349	Isolantite Mfg. Corp., Stirling, N. J. 07980 Military Specifications
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02768	Fastex Division of Ill. Tool Works, Des Plaines, Ill. 60016	63743	Cleveland, Ohio Ward Leonard Electric Co., Mt. Vernon, N. Y	81831 81860	Filton Co., Flushing, L. I., N. Y
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	Syracuse, N. Y. 13201	65092	Weston Instruments, Weston-Newark,	82219	Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., (Electronic
03636	Grayburne, Yonkers, N. Y. 10701	70405	Newark, N. J.		Tube Div.), Emporium, Penn.
03888 03911	Pyrofilm Resistor Co., Cedar Knolls, N. J. Clairex Corp., New York, N. Y. 10001	70485	Atlantic-India Rubber Works, Inc., Chicago, Ill. 60607	82273 82389	Indiana Pattern and Model Works, LaPort, Ind. Switchcraft Inc., Chicago, Ill. 60630
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07595	Birtcher Corp., No. Los Angeles, Calif. American Semiconductor Corp., Arlington	72130	Electro Motive Míg. Co., Willmington, Conn. Nytronics Inc., Berkeley Heights, N. J. 07922	86684	Stoneham, Mass. 02180 RCA (Electrical Component and Devices)
	Heights, Ill. 60004	72619	Dialight Co., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11237	00001	Harrison, N. J.
07828	Bodine Corp., Bridgeport, Conn. 06605	72699	General Instrument Corp., Capacitor Div.,	86800	Continental Electronics Corp.
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28520	Hayman Mfg. Co., Kenilworth, N. J.	78488	Stackpole Carbon Co., St. Marys, Penn.	,,,,,	Torrington, Conn.
28959	Hoffman Electronics Corp., El Monte, Calif.	78553	Tinnerman Products, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio	96095	Hi-Q Div. of Aerovox Corp., Orlean, N. Y.
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	Montreal 19, Quebec	79963	Zierick Mfg. Co., New Rochelle, N. Y.	96341	Microwave Associates Inc., Burlington, Mass.
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43991	Norma-Hoffman Bearings Corp.,	80183	Sprague Products Co., N. Adams, Mass.	98821	North Hills Electronics Inc., Glen Cove, N. Y.
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number refers to the section. The section nearest the panel is 1, the next section back is 2, etc. The next two digits refer to the contact. Contact 01 is the first position clockwise from a strut screw (usually, the screw above the locating key), and the other contacts are numbered sequentially (02, 03, 04, etc), proceeding clockwise around the section. A suffix F or R indicates that the contact is on the front or rear of the section, respectively.

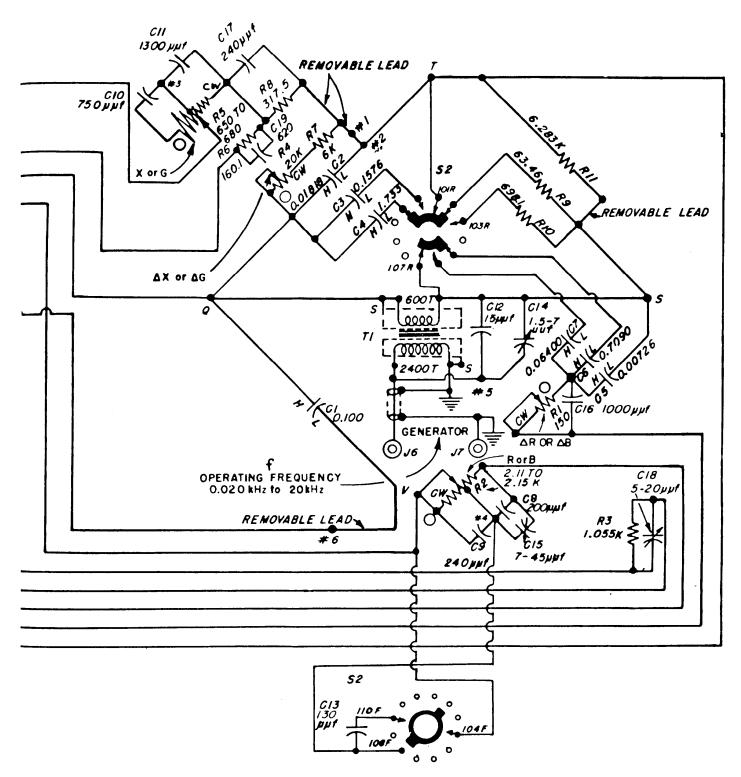


Figure 6-3. Schematic diagram.

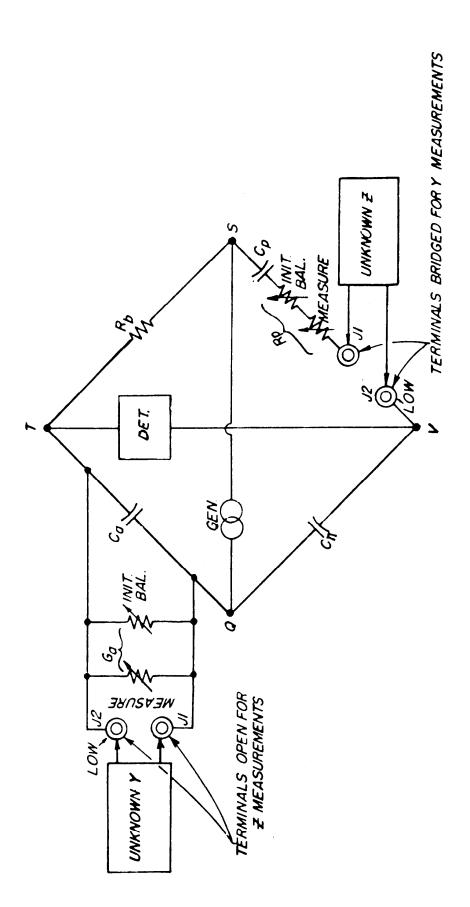


Figure 6-4. Elementary schematic diagram of the Type 1603-A Z-Y Bridge.

BRIDGE INPUT IMPEDANCE AT INITIAL BALANCE. The variation of the input impedance which exists at initial balance across the vertices Q and S of the bridge, as fo and f are varied, is shown in the following table.

f	0	f	$z_{QS}$
0.1	·kc	0.1 kc	417-j189
0.1	kc	l kc	75 <b>-</b> j84
0.1	kc	10 kc	60 <b>-</b> j8.7
1	kc	0.1 kc	1080-j53
1	kc	1 kc	820 <b>-</b> j330
1	kc	10 kc	410 - j85
10	kc	0.1 kc	6730-j194
10	kc	1 kc	6150 - j1750
10	kc	10 kc	1410-j1590

## APPENDIX 1

Construction Method to Convert 
$$Y_x$$
 to  $Z_x$  (or  $Z_x$  to  $Y_x$ )

Admittance values can readily be converted to impedance values (and vice versa) by a simple construction method <sup>1</sup>. This procedure is especially helpful when the final measurement results are to be plotted rather than tabularized.

To convert admittance to impedance:

- 1. Compute  $10^6/G_x$  and  $-10^6/B_x$  ( $G_x$  and  $B_x$  in  $\mu$  mhos), and mark these points on the Z plane (see Figure A-1).
  - 2. Draw the line between these two points.
- 3. With a square (or a construction) find the perpendicular from this line through the origin.
- 4. The intersection of the perpendicular and the line is  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}$ .

To convert  $Z_x$  to  $Y_x$  compute  $10^6/R_x$  and  $-10^6/X_x$ , plot these points on the Y plane, and proceed with the construction described above.

<sup>1</sup>E.W. Boehne, "The Graphical Solution of Linear Networks", AIEE paper, General Meeting, Fall, 1962.

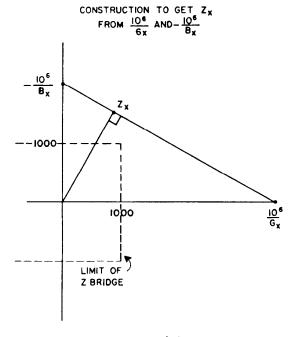


Figure A-1.

Construction for converting admittance components to impedance components.

## APPENDIX 2

# Transfer Equations

The following equations can be used to convert impedance components to admittance components and vice versa:

 $Z_{\star}$  (in ohms) to  $Y_{\star}$  (in  $\mu$ mhos)

$$G_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{10^{6} R_{\mathbf{x}}}{R_{\mathbf{x}}^{2} + X_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}} = \frac{10^{6} R_{\mathbf{x}}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}}^{2}}$$
(38)

$$B_{x} = \frac{-10^{6} X_{x}}{R_{x}^{2} + X_{x}^{2}} = \frac{-10^{6} X_{x}}{Z_{x}^{2}}$$
 (39)

 $Y_{x}$  (in  $\mu$  mhos) to  $Z_{x}$  (in ohms)

$$R_{x} = \frac{10^{6} G_{x}}{G_{x}^{2} + B_{x}^{2}} = \frac{10^{6} G_{x}}{Y_{x}^{2}}$$
 (40)

$$X_{x} = \frac{-10^{6} B_{x}}{G_{x}^{2} + B_{x}^{2}} = \frac{-10^{6} B_{x}}{Y_{x}^{2}}$$
 (41)

The storage factor,  $Q_x$ , the tangent of the phase angle  $\theta_x$  by which the applied voltage leads the input current, can be computed by:

$$Q_{x} = \left| \tan \theta_{x} \right| = \frac{X_{x}}{R_{x}} = \frac{B_{x}}{G_{x}}$$
 (42)

The dissipation factor, the cotangent of the same angle, can be computed by:

$$D_{\mathbf{x}} = \left| \cot \theta_{\mathbf{x}} \right| = \frac{R_{\mathbf{x}}}{X_{\mathbf{x}}} = \frac{G_{\mathbf{x}}}{B_{\mathbf{x}}}$$
 (43)

The power factor, the cosine of the same angle, can be computed by:

$$PF_{x} = \cos \theta_{x} = \frac{R_{x}}{Z_{x}} = \frac{G_{x}}{Y_{x}}$$
 (44)

The parallel resistance and reactance,  $R_{xp}$  and  $X_{xp}$ , can be computed by:

$$R_{xp} = \frac{10^6}{G_x} = \frac{Z_x^2}{R_x} = R_x (1 + Q_x^2)$$
 (45)

$$X_{xp} = \frac{-10^6}{B_x} = \frac{Z_x^2}{X_x} = X_x(1 + D_x^2)$$
 (46)

# APPENDIX 3

### **VOLTAGES ACROSS THE UNKNOWN AT FINAL BALANCE.**

An approximation to the voltages existing across the unknown after the final balance has been made may be computed from the following equations, in which E (generator) must be limited to a maximum value stipulated in paragraph 2.1.

a. When the unknown is measured as an impedance,  $Z_x$ :

$$\frac{E \text{ (Unknown)}}{E \text{ (Generator)}} = \frac{Z_{x}}{4\sqrt{1.21 \times 10^{6} + (X_{x} - \frac{1}{\omega C})^{2}}}$$
(47)

b. When the unknown is measured as an admittance,  $Y_x$ :

$$\frac{E \text{ (Unknown)}}{E \text{ (Generator)}} = \frac{G_b}{4\sqrt{m + (\omega C_a + B_x \times 10^{-6})^2}}$$
(48)

In these equations  $\omega$  is in radians per second and the numerics C, m,  $G_b$ , and  $C_a$ , in terms of the setting of the selector switch, have the following values:

Selector Switch Setting	С	m	$G_{b}$	$C_{\mathbf{a}}$
			159.2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	1741 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
x 1.0	41.7 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>		15.92 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	175.8 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
<b>x</b> 10	6.68 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>	5.67 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	$1.592 \times 10^{-4}$	18.18 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>

These equations assume that the voltage across the bridge vertices Q and S is one fourth of the generator voltage. Actually,  $E_{QS}$  may be somewhat less than  $\frac{E_{GEN}}{4}$  due to transformer losses. If the exact value of the voltage on the unknown is required, it should be measured with a high-impedance electronic voltmeter.