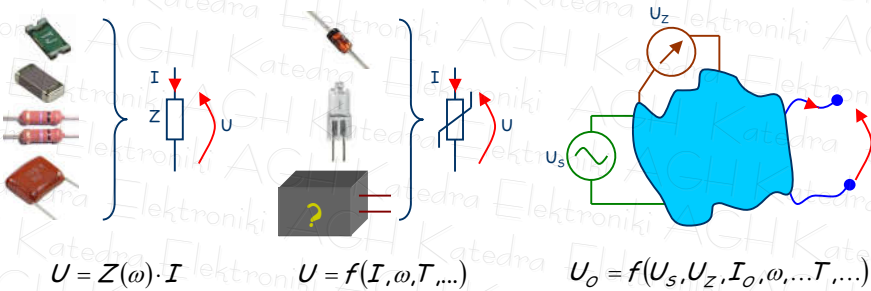


Impedance measurements

Impedance of two-terminals

How one may understand the „impedance“ concept...

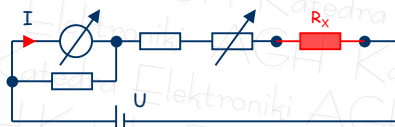


Good or wrong?



Resistance measurement: the ohmmeter

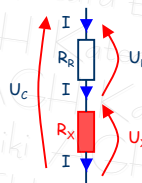
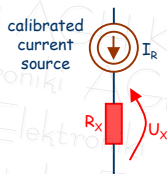
„Analog“ ohmmeter



ohmmeter scale



„Digital“ ohmmeter



$$R_x = \frac{U_x}{I_R}$$

$$R_x [\text{k}\Omega] = U @ I_R = 1\text{mA}$$

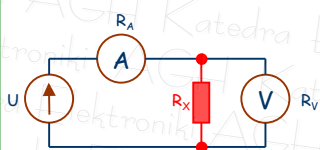
$$R_x [\text{M}\Omega] = U @ I_R = 1\mu\text{A}$$

$$1. R_x = \frac{U_x}{U_R} R_R$$

$$2. R_x = \frac{U_x}{U_C - U_x} R_R$$

Resistance measurement: V-A method

Accurate voltmeter method



searched resistance

$$R_m = \frac{U_V}{I_A} = \frac{R_x R_V}{R_x + R_V} < R_x$$

measurement error

$$\Delta R_x = R_m - R_x$$

relative error

$$\delta R_x = \frac{\Delta R_x}{R_x}$$

nominal relative error

$$\delta_N R_x = \frac{\Delta R_x}{R_m}$$

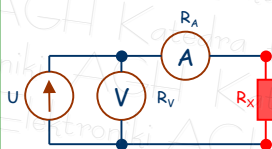
correction

$$P = -\Delta R_x$$

$$P = \frac{R_m^2}{R_V - R_m}$$

$$\Delta R_x = -\frac{R_x^2}{R_x + R_V} = -\frac{R_m^2}{R_V - R_m}$$

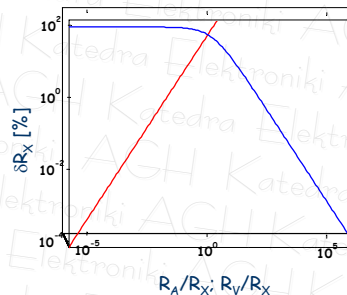
Accurate ammeter method



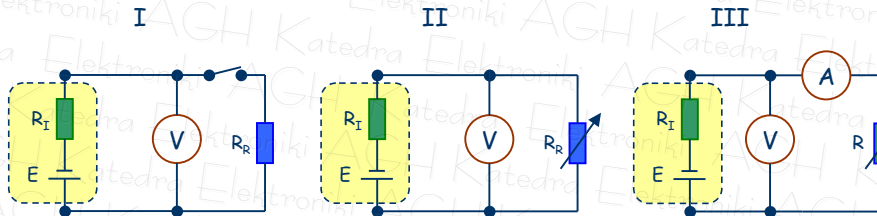
searched resistance

$$R_m = \frac{U_V}{I_A} = R_x + R_A > R_x$$

$$\Delta R_x = R_A$$



Source resistance



$$1. U_{V1} = E$$

$$2. U_{V2} = E \frac{R_R}{R_R + R_I}$$

$$1. U_{V1} = E \frac{R_{R1}}{R_{R1} + R_I}$$

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$$1. U_{V1} = E$$

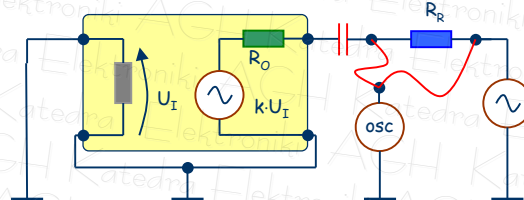
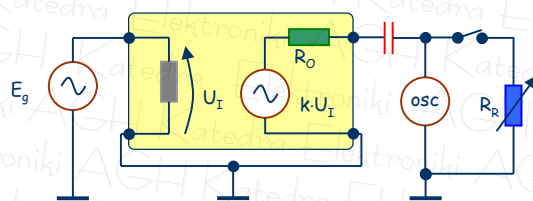
$$2. E - I_{A2} R_I = U_{V2}$$

Estimation of limiting error R_I

$$R_I = \frac{U_{V1} - U_{V2}}{I_{A2}} \Rightarrow \Delta_{gr} R_I = \left(\left| \frac{\partial R_I}{\partial U_{V1}} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial R_I}{\partial U_{V2}} \right| \right) \Delta_{gr} U + \left| \frac{\partial R_I}{\partial I_{A2}} \right| \Delta_{gr} I \quad \text{limiting error}$$

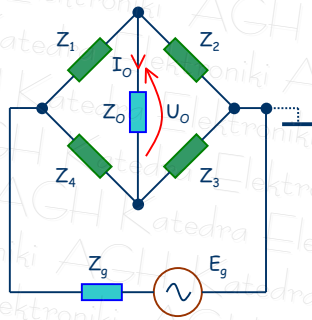
$$\delta_{gr} R_I = \frac{2 \Delta_{gr} U}{|U_1 - U_2|} + \frac{\Delta_{gr} I}{I_{A2}} \quad \text{relative limiting error}$$

Output resistance of a two-port



Bridges

General structure



Balanced bridge:

$$Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4; U_0, I_0 = 0$$

Balance condition:

$$\frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = \frac{Z_3}{Z_3 + Z_4} \Leftrightarrow Z_1 Z_3 = Z_2 Z_4$$

Unbalanced bridge:

$$Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4; U_0, I_0 \neq 0$$

$$U_0 = f_U(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4, Z_g, Z_0, E_g)$$

$$I_0 = f_I(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4, Z_g, Z_0, E_g)$$

In general it is rather complicated circuit, so the designer should be a bit clever...

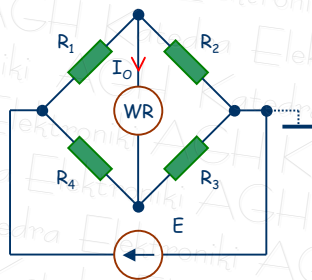
1). $Z_g \approx 0, Z_0 \approx \infty$

2). $Z_g \approx 0$

$$U_0 = E_g \frac{Z_2 Z_4 - Z_1 Z_3}{(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_3 + Z_4)}$$

$$I_0 = E_g \frac{Z_2 Z_4 - Z_1 Z_3}{R_g(Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_3 + Z_4) + Z_3 Z_4(Z_1 + Z_2) + Z_1 Z_2(Z_3 + Z_4)}$$

DC Wheaston bridge



Balance condition:

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{R_3}{R_3 + R_4}$$

$$R_1 R_3 = R_2 R_4 \quad \frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$

Limiting error estimation

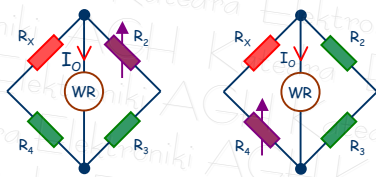
$$R_x = R_2 \frac{R_4}{R_3} \Rightarrow \delta_{gr} R_x = |\delta_{gr} R_2| + |\delta_{gr} R_3| + |\delta_{gr} R_4|$$

Transpose method

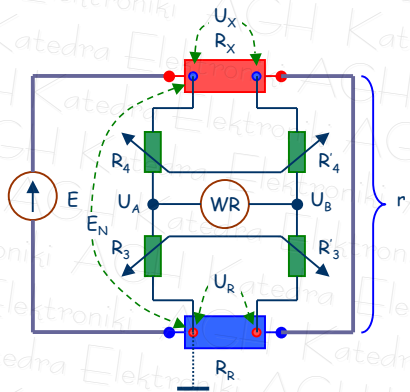
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1). R_x = R_2' \frac{R_4}{R_3} \\ 2). R_x = R_2'' \frac{R_3}{R_4} \end{array} \right\} R_x = \sqrt{R_2' R_2''}$$

Limiting error???

How to balance the bridge?



Small resistances: Thomson bridge



$$U_A = E_N \frac{R_3}{R_3 + R_4}$$

$$U_B = (E_N - U_X - U_R) \frac{R'_3}{R'_3 + R'_4} + U_R$$

Balance condition: $U_A = U_B$

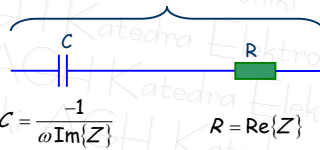
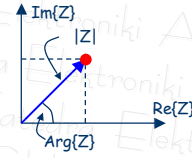
$$R_X = R_R \frac{R'_4}{R'_3}$$

Impedance: component modelling



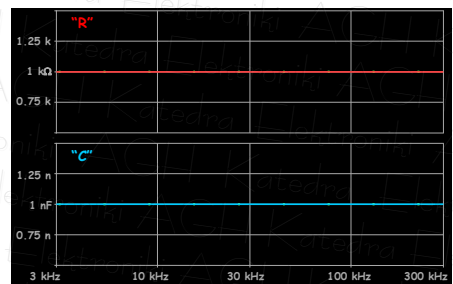
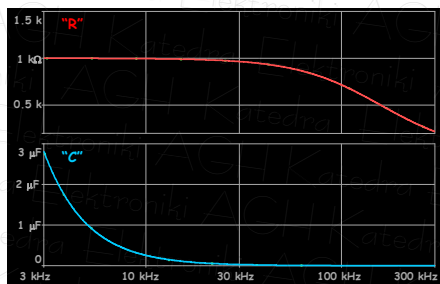
$$\underline{Z} = \frac{\underline{U}}{\underline{I}} = \text{Re}\{\underline{Z}\} + j \text{Im}\{\underline{Z}\} = R + jX = |\underline{Z}| e^{j \text{Arg}\{\underline{Z}\}}$$

$$\underline{Y} = \frac{\underline{I}}{\underline{U}} = \text{Re}\{\underline{Y}\} + j \text{Im}\{\underline{Y}\} = G + jB = |\underline{Y}| e^{j \text{Arg}\{\underline{Y}\}}$$

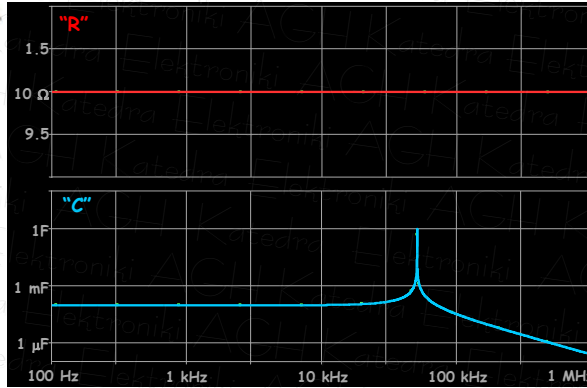
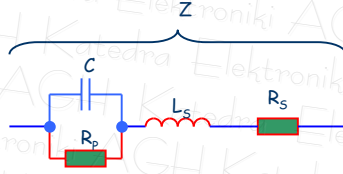


$$C = \frac{-1}{\omega \text{Im}\{\underline{Z}\}}$$

$$R = \text{Re}\{\underline{Z}\}$$

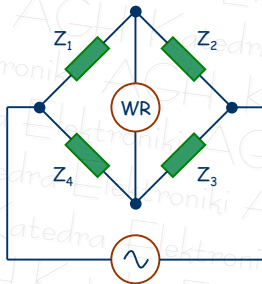


„Real“ capacitor



R_s value enlarged for better illustration

AC bridges



Balance condition:

$$Z_1 Z_3 = Z_2 Z_4$$

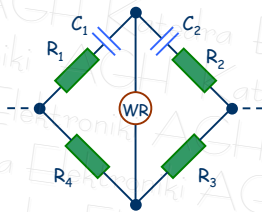
$$Z_i = R_i + jX_i ;$$

$$1). R_1 R_3 - X_1 X_3 = R_2 R_4 - X_2 X_4$$

$$2). R_1 X_3 - X_1 R_3 = R_2 X_4 - X_2 R_4$$

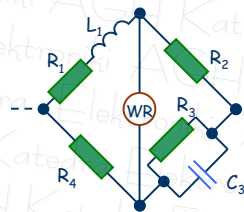
$$\text{balance} = f(R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4, X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, \omega)$$

e.g.: $Z_3, Z_4 \rightarrow R$



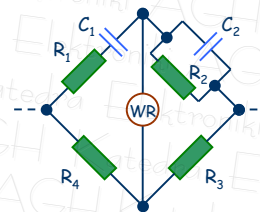
Wien bridge

e.g.: $Z_2, Z_4 \rightarrow R$



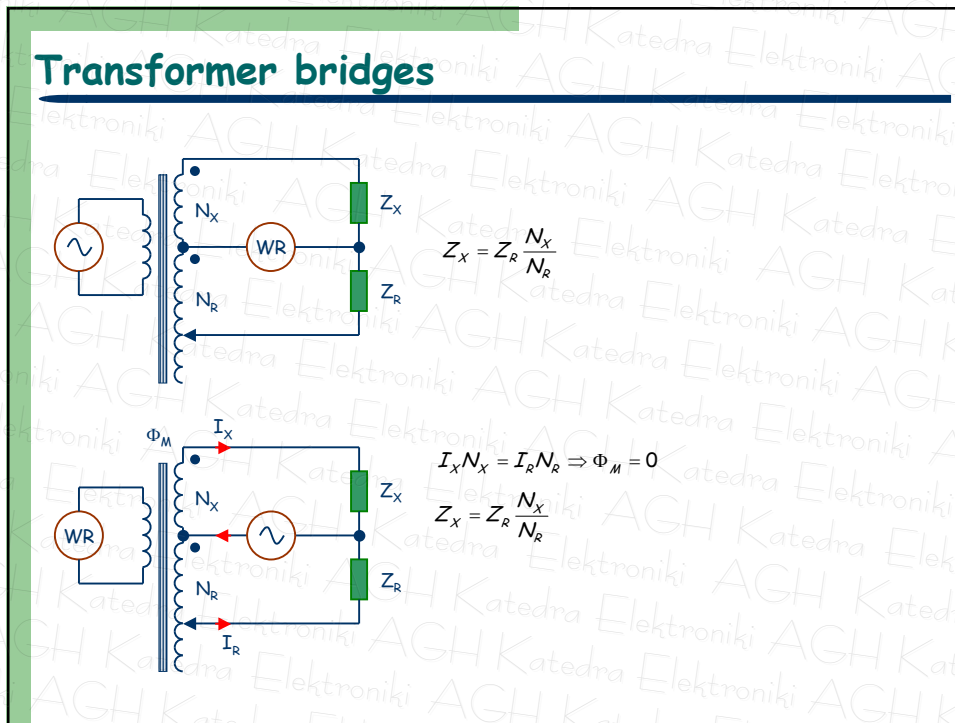
Maxwell - Wien bridge

e.g.: $Z_3, Z_4 \rightarrow R$

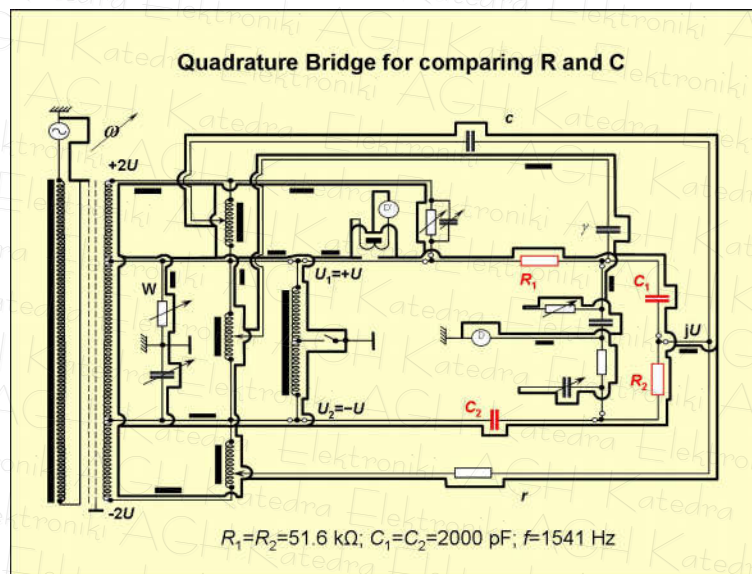


Wien - Robinson bridge

Transformer bridges

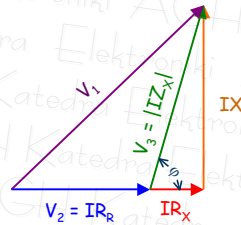
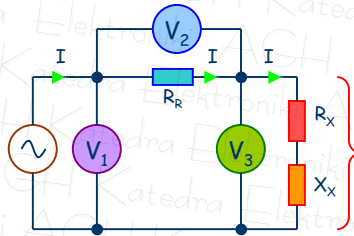


Special purpose bridge...



Source: http://www.bipm.org/utils/common/img/elec/quadrature_bridge.jpg

Method of „three voltmeters“



$$\cos \varphi = \frac{V_1^2 - V_2^2 - V_3^2}{2V_2V_3}$$

$$|Z| = \frac{V_3}{I} = \frac{V_3}{V_2} R_R$$

$$R = |Z| \cos \varphi$$

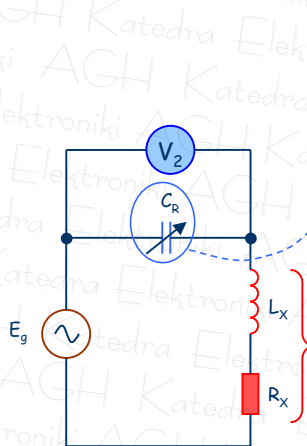
$$X = |Z| \sin \varphi$$

e.g.: Agilent E4982

1 MHz - 3 GHz

140 mΩ - 4.8 kΩ

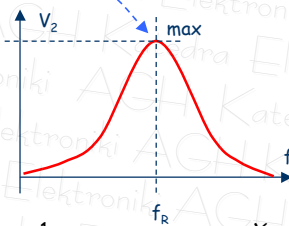
Resonant method



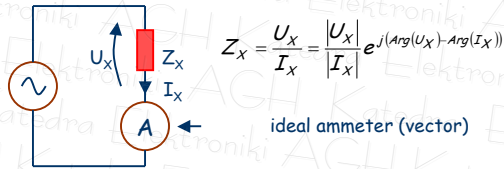
$$f_R = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_X C_R}}$$

$$Q = \frac{X_L}{R_X} = \frac{X_C}{R_X}$$

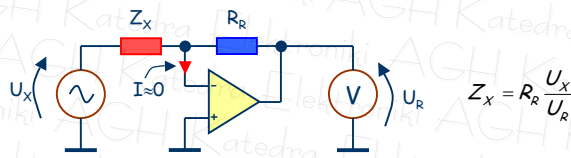
$U_C = ?$



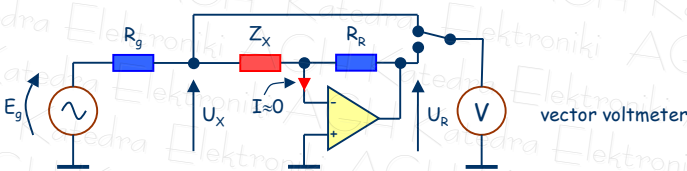
Voltage-current method



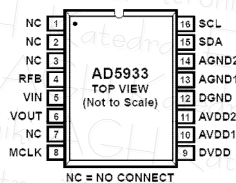
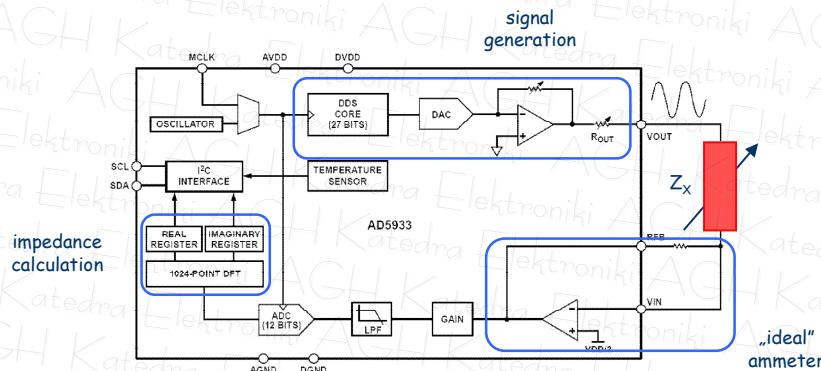
Basic circuit using operational amplifier



Practical realization



Integrated solution: impedance converter

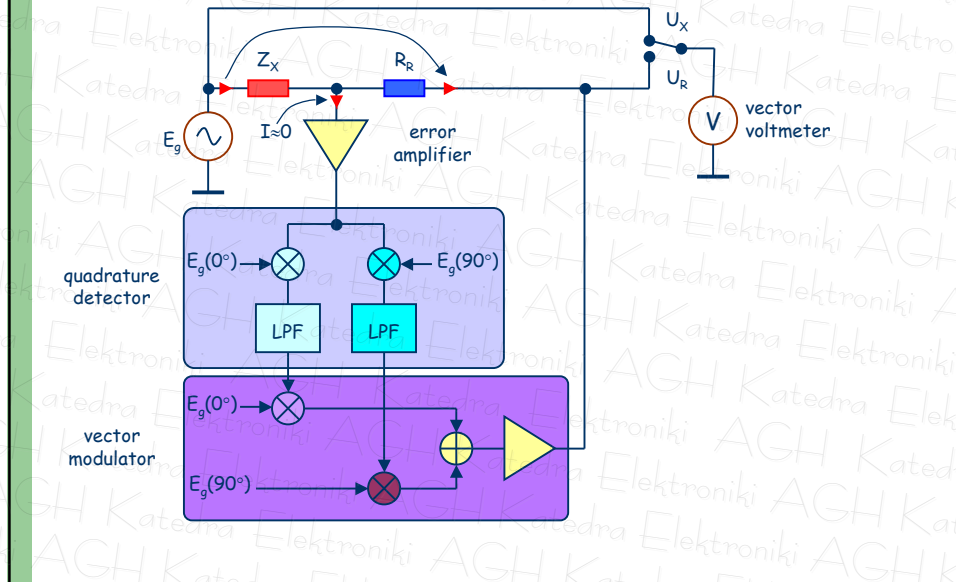


$Z_x: 1 \text{ k}\Omega - 1 \text{ M}\Omega$
 $1 - 100 \text{ kHz}$

Source: Analog Devices

Broadband measurement: automatic bridge

Auto-Balancing Bridge



Even broader bandwidth: network analyser

