



Units of electrical impedance, their traceability to quantum Hall effect, digital bridges

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Motivation



- ✓ One system
- ✓ Few calibration steps
- ✓ Few reference standards





AIM QUTE

GraphOhm



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History

DC resistance

Investigation of I=U/R relationship ~ 1826



1-1 Ohm's Circuit for Measuring Resistance 1826

> [G. S. Ohm, 1826, The Galvanic Circuit Mathematically Worked Out]

First International Ohm - 1893



[N. Hawkins: Hawkins Electrical Guide vol.8, Theo. Audel & Co., 1914, www.gutenberg.org]

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History

Realization of inductance

PTB's design 100 mH selfinductor



NPL's mutual inductor



[Campbell and Childs, 1935, IOPP]

[Linckh and Brasack 1968, IOPP]

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Derivation of ohm from henry till 1970s

History

Realization of capacitance

Thompson – Lampard theorem ~ 1956



Original capacitor at NMIA, Australia



 $\Delta C = \varepsilon_0 (\text{Ln}2/\pi) \Delta L$

Derivation of ohm from farad

purnay *at al.* 2015, ICM]

History/Today

Realization of capacitance

New design LNE (France)



- 2.4 m high and 1.2 m width
- **5** electrodes
- ✓ Capacitance variation of **1** pF ΔL = 370 mm
- Motor with encoder (resolution 55 nm) and displacement measured with a Michelson interferometer (resolution 0.3 nm)
- ✓ 532 nm laser source tuned on an I_2 line

[Piquemal at al. 2015, CODATA Workshop]

3D MEMS Calculable Capacitor



[Awan at al. 2005]

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History/Today

DC resistance

K. von Klitzing – Nobel prize 1985



PTB's GaAs/AlGaAs based device



CMI's fondant based device



Today:

- Quantum Hall arrays (1 kOhm, 1 MOhm)
- Graphene based devices
- Quantum Hall effect in topological insulators

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History/Today

Resistance and capacitance standards with calculable frequency dependence

Calculable resistance standards



CTU/CMI 40 kOhm at PTB JVS lab



CTU/CMI 12.9 kOhm at KRISS lab

Calculable capacitance standards





[J. Boháček and B. M. Wood, "Octofilar resistors with calculable frequency dependence," *Metrologia*, vol. 38, no. 3, 2001] [J. Kucera, R. Sedlacek and J. Bohacek, "Improved calculable 4TP coaxial capacitance standards," CPEM Digest 2014] [L. Vojáčková, J. Kučera, J. Hromádka and J. Boháček, "Calculation of high frequency 4-TP impedance standards,", " CPEM Digest 2016] [L. Vojáčková, J. Kučera, J. Hromádka and J. Boháček, "Calculation of high frequency 4-TP impedance standards,", " CPEM Digest 2016] [Kim D B, Kassim D M, Kim W, Callegaro L, D'Elia V, Trinchera B, Kucera J and Sedlacek R, "Traceability Chain at KRISS from DC Quantum Hall Resistance to Farad Using Coaxial Bridges," *IEEE Trans. Instrum. Meas*, 2019] Today

► CMI: On-site comparison with BIPM (2017)



Comparison scheme



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Today

DC resistance at CMI

BIPM.EM-K12, QHR→100 Ω



Comparison results

	Degree of equivalence D /10 ⁻⁹	Expanded uncertainty <i>U /10⁻⁹</i>	
$R_{100\Omega}$ in terms of $R_{\rm H}(2)$	-0.6	5.0	
$K1 = R_{10\mathrm{k}\Omega}/R_{100\Omega}$	+1.1	4.4	
$K2 = R_{100\Omega}/R_{1\Omega}$	+3.3	6.4	

Raised 1 Ω problem: what is "DC"?



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Problem: ... because the electric units refer to the force and thus to the kilogram through the ampere definition, a drift of the kilogram induces a similar drift in the electrical units

... Also in temperature measurement, the previous definition of the base unit kelvin via the water triple point cell (type 2 according to the classification above) reaches its limits

Precondition for revision:

[Jeckelmann B., Progress in Physics (65) 2018]

1. XRCD experiment: refers kilogram either to an atomic mass or to the Planck constant

2. Kibble balance experiment: compares mechanical and electrical power. If the electrical power is measured with quantum standards (R_K, K_J), the mass can be related to Planck's constant







Silicone sphere in PTB's interferometer



METAS' Kibble balance

Ampere definition

[Poirier W, Djordjevic S and Schopfer F 2019, Comptes Rendus Physique 20 92–128]

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▶ 20 May 2020: setting exact numerical values for the Planck constant (*h*), the elementary electric charge (*e*), the Boltzmann constant ($k_{\rm B}$), and the Avogadro constant ($N_{\rm A}$),



Fine structure constant (Sommerfeld's constant)



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Change of electrical quantities since 1990

Quantity	Formula for SI Unit	Relative Change
voltage	$V = V_{90} [1 - (100 \times 10^{-9})]$	-100 ppb
resistance	$\Omega = \Omega_{90} [1 - (17 \times 10^{-9})]$	-17 ppb
current	$A = A_{90} [1 - (83 \times 10^{-9})]$	-83 ppb
charge	$C = C_{90} [1 - (83 \times 10^{-9})]$	-83 ppb
power	W = $W_{90} [1 - (183 \times 10^{-9})]$	-183 ppb
capacitance	$F = F_{90} \left[1 + (17 \times 10^{-9}) \right]$	17 ppb
inductance	$H = H_{90} [1 - (17 \times 10^{-9})]$	-17 ppb

[N. Zimmermann et al. 2015 NCSLI Measure J. Meas. Sci., 10(2)]

Linking impedance units to QHE

Linkage of electrical impedance units for R, C, L directly to reference resistance standards



Linking R-C

▶ PTB's quadrature bridge for 2 x C and 2 x QHR





[S. Awan, B. Kibble, and J. Schurr, London, UK, 2011]

Linking R-C

Josephson based impedance bridges





[J. Lee, J. Schurr, J. Nissilä, L. Palafox, and R. Behr, 2010 Metrologia 47(4)]

[S Bauer et al 2017 Metrologia 54 152]

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Linking R-C

Standard" chains of R-C traceability

"Classical" chain with 4-5 bridges and 2 calculable R



CMI's approach with 1-2 bridges and 2 calculable R



Linking R-L: with FD bridge too

[Kim D B at al.," IEEE Trans. Instrum. Meas, 2019]

[J. Kučera, P. Svoboda, J. Kováč, K. Pierz, in preparation]

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Linking R-C at CMI

Verification of traceability chain



Impedance bridges for scaling of units

- Calibration of electrical impedance standards (R,C, L) on the highest metrological level in range of x Ω ... x MΩ in audio frequency range is performed by means of coaxial impedance bridges.
 - 1) Manually operated bridges:
 - rel. accuracy in the range 10⁻⁷ up to 10⁻⁹
 - manual operation
 - coverage of only predefined ratios
- 2) Digitally assisted bridges (DA):
- rel. accuracy in the range 10^{-6} up to 10^{-8}
- partial/full automation
- coverage of only predefined ratios

3) Fully digital bridges (FD):

- rel. accuracy in the range 10⁻⁵ up to 10⁻⁷
- full automation
- coverage of the whole complex impedance plane



 $Z_{\rm B} / Z_{\rm A} \approx U_{\rm GB} / U_{\rm GA}$

 $Z_{\rm B} / Z_{\rm A} \approx \left[1 - n + U_{inj} / U\right] / n$

FD bridge

DA bridge

4-TP Fully digital bridge



 $Z_{\rm B} / Z_{\rm A} \approx U_{\rm GB} / U_{\rm GA}$

Four terminal pair conditions: *U*_{D1}=0 $U_{D3}=0$ $U_{D4}=0$ $(U_{D2}-U_{D1})=0$



DigiBridge realization

- Isolated generators SWG
 - No jumps during setting U, ω, 0
 - User defined voltage sweeps
 - Full balancing to zero

[J. Kučera and J. Kováč, IEEE Trans. Instr. Meas, vol. 67, no. 99, 2018]

- Multiplexers
 - crosstalk < -185 dB</p>

[J. Kováč, J. Kučera, XXI IMEKO, 2015]

- Reference standard:
 - Octofilar resistor (CTU)
 - Transfer Vishay

[J. Boháček and B. M. Wood, Metrologia, vol. 38, no. 3, 2001]







Allan deviation of 1:1 ratio measurement of QHR device P743-2-4 at 4.2 K and working point B = 10.15 T against OF12k9 CTU at a frequency of 1 kHz and current of 23 μ A

Generator SWG

Characteristic	Value
Full scale output voltage (FS)	$7 V_{rms} (20 V_{p-p})$
Amplitude resolution	< 0.01 µV/V of FS
Phase resolution	2×10 ⁻⁷ rad
Rel. voltage ratio stability of chan. A/B	better than 0.01 $\times 10^{-6}/30$ min.
Frequency range	1 mHz to 20 kHz (100 kHz)
SFDR	> 95 dB @ 100 Hz, > 85 dB @ 1 kHz
Crosstalk between channels A and B	< –150 dB @ 1 kHz
Crosstalk between different modules	Not measurable
Reference clock	10 or 20 MHz Int./Ext.
Reference voltage	10 V _{dc} Int./ 5 to 10 V _{dc} Ext.





[J. Kováč, "Precision low-frequency multichannel generator," M.S. thesis, Dept. Meas., FEE, CTU Prague, Prague, Czech Republic, 2014.]

Generator SWG

Stability of the output voltage



Allan deviation analyses for f = 976 Hz and Vrms = 1 V

- Long term stability of the output voltage
 - 3 SWG modules with internal voltage reference: ±6 µV/V over 4 years

[Kučera at al., 2019, sent to IOP MST]

Generator SWG

SFDR and bridge stability



An example of the generator spectrum with and without reduction of the first eleven higher harmonic tones for a 1 Vrms signal.



Allan deviation of an N=10:1 ratio measurement of100 pF and 10 pF capacitors at 976 Hz.

The bridge voltage for the DA:1.1 Vrms, FD: 3.5 Vrms.

Verification of the bridge

► In-phase and quadratic component with known values R-R, C-C @1 kHz

- Calculable standards
- Known reference standards

Ratio <i>N</i>	Bridge voltage (V _{rms})	<i>N</i> _{ref} / <i>N</i> _{nom} − 1 ×10 ⁶	<i>N</i> _{FD} / <i>N</i> _{ref} − 1 ×10 ⁶	<i>N</i> _{DA} / <i>N</i> _{ref} − 1 ×10 ⁶
QFR 1 kΩ/QFR 100 Ω	1.1	~ 250	9±34	0.023±0.05
AH11 100 pF/AH11 10 pF	7.0	~0.3	-4.4±34	
	3.8	~0.3	-2.5±34	

Ratio <i>N</i>	τ _{ref}	τ _{FD} – τ _{ref}	τ _{DA} – τ _{ref}
	(ns)	(ns)	(ns)
QFR 1 kΩ/QFR 100 Ω	~ -18	-3.7±4.7	-0.4±1.9

(*k*=2)

[J. Kučera and J. Kováč, IEEE TIM, vol. 67, no. 99,2018]

DigiBridge at NMIs

Bridges for KRISS primary Impedance lab (2018)



Parts at PTB, LNE, VNIIM, NSAI, UME (2019-21)

Cryostat modification

- Original system with 3He insert
- Not suitable for ac measurements





- Removed 3He insert
- Added heat shields
- New probe with coaxial wiring
- Temperature 2.3 4.2 K



New cryogenic probe for ac measurements VSM12



- TO-8 socket compatible with both AC and DC devices
- Isolation between leads > 6×10¹³ Ω
- Isolation between lead and screen > 3×10¹³ Ω
- Parasitic capacitance < 2 aF, D<0.002
- Vacuum sealed

– @ 300 K



The ac quantum Hall resistance standard



[B. P. Kibble and J. Schurr, Metrologia 45(5) pp. L25–L27, 2008]

- TO-8 socket compatible chip carrier
- Double shielded technique
- Isolation > 3×10¹³ Ω
- Parasitic capacitance < 30 aF, D<0.003
- GaAs/AlGaAs heterostructure fabricated at PTB
- Working point B ~ 10 T





@ 300 K

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DigiBridge for AC QHR

Modification of 4-TP DA bridge





[J. Kučera and J. Kováč, IEEE Trans. Instr. Meas., vol. 67, no. 99, 2018]

DigiBridge for AC QHR

Modification of 4-TP FD bridge





[J. Kučera, P. Svoboda, J. Kováč, K. Pierz, in preparation]

- Quantization check at temperatures 4.2 K ... 2.3 K
 - VSM12 probe and QHD P579-101 verified during on-site comparison CMI-BIPM. Agreement within (0.6±5) nΩ/Ω (*k*=2) [P. Gournay *at al. Metrologia*, vol. 54, no. 1A, 2017]

AC: R_{xy} @2 kHz temperature sweep: within ~30 n Ω/Ω

 Devices P743-2-4 and P743-2-6 compared against well characterized P579-101 (PTB).
 Agreement within 2 nΩ/Ω.



DC: R_{xx} @ 4.2 K

Plateau shape at different frequencies:



rent frequencies: and temperatures:



Frequency dependence of R_{xy} plateau shape measured at temperature 4.2 K, current 12 μ A (each R_{ref} shifted).

 R_{xy} plateau shape at different temperatures and frequencies measured at current 23 µA (each R_{ref} shifted).

 $⁽u_A \text{ with cov. prob. } \sim 95 \%).$

Ac longitudinal resistance R_{xxLo}:





 Ac and dc contact resistance: *R*_{contact} < 3 Ω @4.2 K for *I*≤5 μA

(u_A with cov. prob. ~95 %).

Frequency dependence of QHR – without applying shield potential



• Slope of about +0.17 $\mu\Omega/\Omega/kHz$

Frequency dependence of the Hall resistance.

Resonances in cryogenic part of system immersed in LHe?



Graphene based QHR and cryocooling

Modular Lhe-free system

- · Cryocooled magnet with bore at room temperature
- Cryocooled custom vacuum vessel
- Magnet field up to 4.5 T, temperature of QHR down to 5 K





[J. Kučera, M. Šíra, J. Kaštil, P. Fitl, P. Svoboda 2016 Closed cycle refrigerators and their application for realization of QHR, EMRP dissemination meeting, Prague]



Graphene based QHR and cryocooling



Allan deviation (**blue** line) and overlapped Allan dev. (**red** line) of QHR sampled compared to an artefact. 200 measured points (80 minutes).



Summary

- Digitally assisted/Fully digital DigiBridge
- Cryogen-free system investigated
- Measurement system for ac QHR measurements developed
 - Cryogenic part
 - Digitally assisted bridge
- Robustness of GaAs based devices with appropriate handling, even at temperatures of 2.3 ... 4.2 K shown
 - Dc quantization within few parts in 10⁹ @4.2 K, 10 T
 - "Good" ac quantization @2.6 K, 10 T
- Ongoing work:

Realization of R-C linkage directly to AC QHR with modified DigiBridge Graphene based AC QHR under development (EMPIR GIQS) AC JVS on-site comparison under development with PTB and BIPM ?New EMPIR "Advanced Classical Standards for Electrical Metrology "?



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