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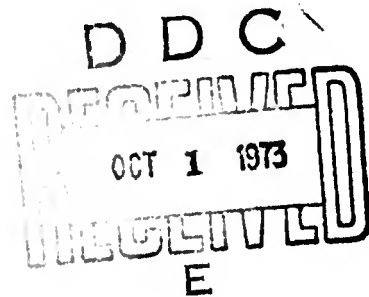
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The usual treatment of the proportional amplifier makes the quasistatic assumption that the instantaneous dynamic jet deflection has the same magnitude as the steady-state deflection of the jet under the same pressure. The transport time is then incorporated into the solution as a pure time delay. Where the impedance of the jet has been considered<sup>1,2,3</sup>, it is assumed to be a capacitance and is determined in terms of the change in the volumes on either side of the jet, resulting from the jet deflection in a pressure field.

Under the assumption that the jet retains its shape during the deflection process, we derive in this report an expression for the jet impedance that is valid for all frequencies; for which this assumption is approximately correct. This result is then applied to an amplifier configuration to obtain an analytic expression relating the output pressure difference to the input pressure difference. This expression includes the effects of the vent, cavity, and jet impedances. The transport delay need not be included separately but appears naturally.

## 2. THE TRANSFER FUNCTION FOR A JET

The response of a jet to a pressure gradient (equation 7) has been obtained by Kirshner.<sup>4</sup> For the sake of clarity, the gist of the discussion is repeated in the following paragraphs.

Consider an incompressible two-dimensional jet having a velocity distribution  $u(x, y)$  in the axial direction  $x$  and a velocity distribution  $v(x, y)$  in the direction  $y$ ;  $x$  is the axial distance from the power jet nozzle and  $y$  is the perpendicular distance from the jet axis.

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<sup>1</sup>A. J. Healey, "Vent Effects on the Response of a Proportional Fluid Amplifier," ASME Paper No. 67-WAFE 12, 1967.

<sup>2</sup>F. M. Manion, "Dynamic Analysis of Fluoric Proportional Amplifiers," ASME Paper No. 68-FE-49, 1968.

<sup>3</sup>F. T. Brown and R. A. Humphrey, "Dynamics of a Proportional Amplifier," ASME Paper No. 69-WA/Flcs-2, and 69-WA/Flcs-3, 1969.

<sup>4</sup>J. M. Kirshner, "Response of a Jet to a Pressure Gradient and Its Relation to Edgetones," The Second International JSME Symposium on Fluid Machinery and Fluidics, Tokyo, Sept 1972.

A transverse pressure gradient,  $dp/dy = -g(x, t)$  is initiated at  $t = 0$ , exerting a force on the particles. This force will give rise to a transverse acceleration of the particles given by

$$g(x, t) = \rho \frac{d^2 y_0}{dt^2} \quad (1)$$

where  $y_0 = y_0(x)$  is the transverse displacement of a particle as a result of the pressure gradient and  $\rho$  is the density.

Rather than follow the motion of a particular particle, we will choose instead to consider the motion of particles passing through a given point. We therefore write

$$\frac{dy_0}{dt} = \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial t} + u(x, y) \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial x} \quad (2)$$

where we have assumed that

$$v(x, y) \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial y} \ll u(x, y) \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial x}$$

We assume that the jet deflects as a whole and that we can therefore restrict the discussion to the motion of the axis of the jet

$$u(x, 0) = u(x)$$

so that equation (2) becomes

$$\frac{dy_0}{dt} = \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial t} + u(x) \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial x} \quad (3)$$

Letting

$$\tau = \int_0^x \frac{dx'}{u(x')} \quad (4)$$

equation (3) becomes

$$\frac{dy_0}{dt} = \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial y_0}{\partial \tau} \quad (5)$$

Inserting this into equation (1)

$$\frac{\partial^2 y_0}{\partial t^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 y_0}{\partial t \partial \tau} + \frac{\partial^2 y_0}{\partial \tau^2} = \frac{g[x(\tau), t]}{\rho} \quad (6)$$

Taking the Laplace transform we find after some manipulation

$$Y(\tau, s) = \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^\tau \tau' e^{-s\tau'} G[x - x'(\tau'), s] d\tau' \quad (7)$$

where

$$Y(\tau, s) = \mathcal{L}\{y_0(\tau, t)\} \quad (8a)$$

$$G(x, s) = \mathcal{L}\{g(x, t)\} \quad (8b)$$

$$g(x, t) = -\frac{dp}{dy}$$

and it is assumed that the jet starts from rest at  $t = 0$ .

Expression (7) is convenient in determining the jet impedance.

### 2.1 Transverse Impedance of a Jet

The impedance of the jet in the vicinity of the controls (fig. 1) is derived by finding the change in transverse volume flow  $\delta q_1$  for a given pressure difference change  $\delta(p_2 - p_1)$  across the jet. The impedance is then given by

$$Z_1 = \lim_{s \rightarrow j\omega} \frac{\mathcal{L}\{\delta(p_2 - p_1)\}}{\mathcal{L}\{\delta q_1\}} \quad (9)$$

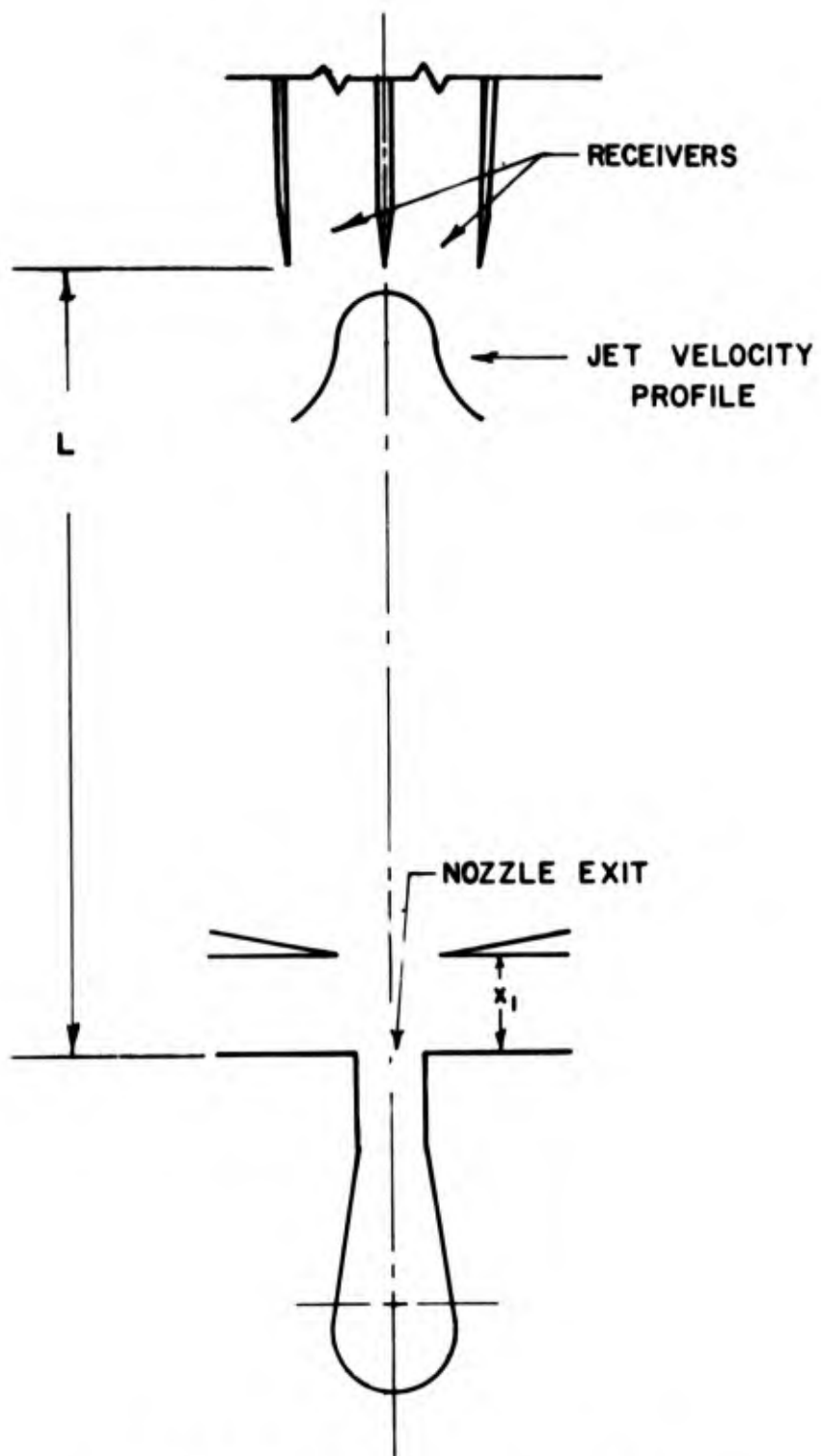


Figure 1. Interaction region parameters.

Assume that the small deflections all take place about zero, so that the change in pressure difference  $\delta(p_2 - p_1)$  is the same as the pressure difference  $p_2 - p_1$  and the deflection from zero is  $y_0$

$$\delta q_1(t) = h \int_0^{x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} y_0(\tau, t) dx \quad (10)$$

where  $x_1$  is the control width (fig. 1) and  $h$  is the distance between top and bottom plates.

In terms of the Laplace transform

$$\delta Q_1(s) = \mathcal{L}\{\delta q_1(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{h \int_0^{x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} y_0(\tau, t) dx\right\}$$

or

$$\delta Q_1(s) = h \int_0^{x_1} s Y(\tau, s) dx \quad (11)$$

[Note that the use of Eulerian coordinates makes the choice of limits on the integral much simpler than if Lagrangian coordinates (material or total derivative) had been used, since in those cases the effect of transport time must appear in the limits.]

$$Y(\tau, s) = \mathcal{L}\{y_0(\tau, t)\}$$

If we assume that the pressure gradient is uniform across the jet and that  $p$  is a function of  $t$  only then

$$g(t) = -\frac{dp}{dy} = \frac{p_2 - p_1}{b} = \frac{\Delta p}{b} \quad (12a)$$

where  $b$  is the nominal width of the jet and

$$G(s) = \frac{\Delta P(s)}{b} \quad (12b)$$

where

$$\Delta P(s) = \mathcal{L}\{\Delta p(t)\}$$

Equation (7) then reduces to

$$Y = \frac{\Delta P}{\rho b s^2} \{1 - e^{-s\tau} (1 + s\tau)\} \quad (13a)$$

Inserting this into equation (11)

$$\delta Q_1(s) = \frac{h\Delta P}{\rho b s} \int_0^{x_1} \{1 - e^{-s\tau} (1 + s\tau)\} dx \quad (13b)$$

In the vicinity of the nozzle the jet width and velocity are approximately constant, hence we let

$$\tau = \frac{x}{u_0}; u_0 \equiv u(0) \quad (14)$$

Inserting equation (14) into (13) and integrating

$$\frac{\Delta P}{\delta Q_1} = \frac{\rho b s}{h(x_1 + \frac{2u_0}{s} e^{-\frac{s x_1}{u_0}} - \frac{2u_0}{s} + x e^{-\frac{s x_1}{u_0}})} \quad (15)$$

The impedance is then given by

$$Z_1 = \lim_{s \rightarrow j\omega} \frac{\Delta P}{\delta Q_1} = \frac{\rho b \omega^2 (\sin\beta - j \cos\beta)}{4 h u_0 (\sin\beta - \beta \cos\beta)} \quad (16a)$$

where

$$\beta = \frac{\omega x_1}{2u_0} \quad (16b)$$

For  $\beta \ll 1$ , equation (16) becomes

$$Z_{11} = R_{11} + \frac{1}{j\omega C_1} \quad (17a)$$

where

$$R_{11} = \frac{3\rho b u_o}{hx_1^2} \quad (17b)$$

$$C_1 = \frac{hx_1^3}{6\rho b u_o^2} \quad (17c)$$

For  $\beta \gg 1$  equation (16) becomes

$$Z_{12} = R_{12} + j\omega L_1 \quad (18a)$$

where

$$R_{12} = -\frac{\rho b \omega}{2hx_1} \tan \frac{\omega x_1}{2u_o} \quad (18b)$$

$$L_1 = \frac{\rho b}{2hx_1} \quad (18c)$$

Equations (17) and (18) indicate that the jet acts as a resistance and capacitance in series when  $\beta$  is small, and as a resistance and an inertance in series when  $\beta$  is large. For intermediate values, the impedance is partially capacitive, partially inertive and partially resistive.

In most cases of interest  $\beta$  is small. This is fortunate since one cannot place any great reliance on the results of equation (18) at high frequencies because the jet profile, and in particular the jet centerline velocity, undoubtedly changes appreciably which violates a previous assumption.

The loss of energy implied by a resistive component needs to be explained because viscosity has not been taken into account. This loss is, of course, due to power-jet particles being deflected and, thus, acquiring energy within the control region and then moving out of that region carrying the energy with them. At large values of  $\beta$ , the particles may make cycles of oscillation within the field and may leave the field moving in either the same or opposite sense as the field. Consequently, as  $\beta$  varies, the resistance goes through positive and negative values.

## 2.2 The Input Impedance

For the dynamic analysis of the amplifier, assume that the changes of pressure are very small, so that a linear analysis holds. All of the variables are then given in terms of deviation from the steady state value.

Consider figure 2 in which the flows and pressures shown are functions of time, and the transformed variables,  $P$ ,  $Q$ , are functions of  $s$ .

The equivalent dynamic circuit is given in figure 3 for the interaction region where the returned flows  $\delta Q_r$  are shown as originating from sources whose strengths are proportional to the deflection.

We use upper case P's and Q's to designate the Laplace transforms of the respective p's and q's.

The symbol  $\delta$  is used to indicate small changes.

It will be assumed that the control pressures are applied antisymmetrically, i. e.,

$$\delta P_{cL} = -\delta P_{cR} \quad (19a)$$

As a result it follows that

$$\delta P_2 = -\delta P_1 \quad (19b)$$

$$\delta Q_{cL} = \delta Q_{cR} = \delta Q_c \quad (20)$$

For the controls then

$$\frac{\delta P_{cL} - \delta P_{cR} + \delta P_1 - \delta P_2}{\delta Q_c} = 2Z_c \quad (21)$$

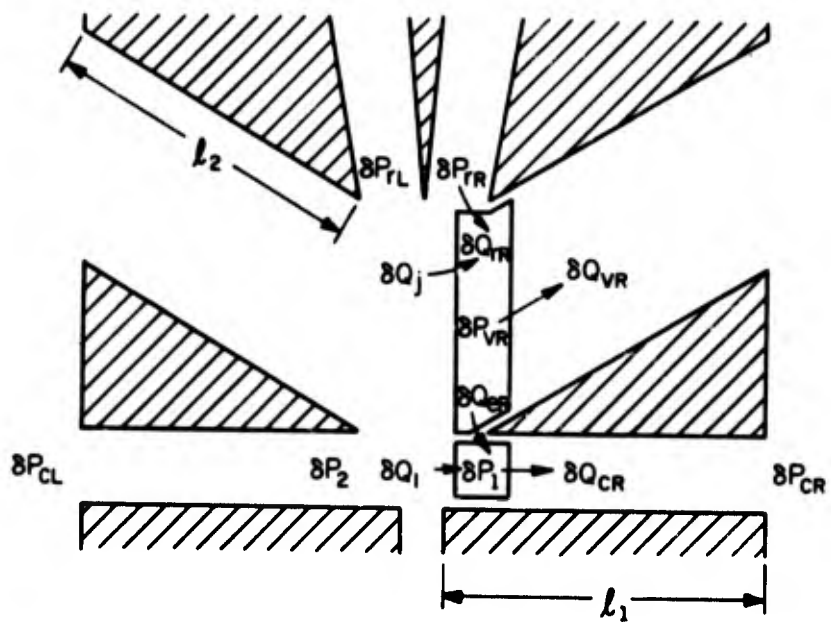


Figure 2. Small signal dynamics.

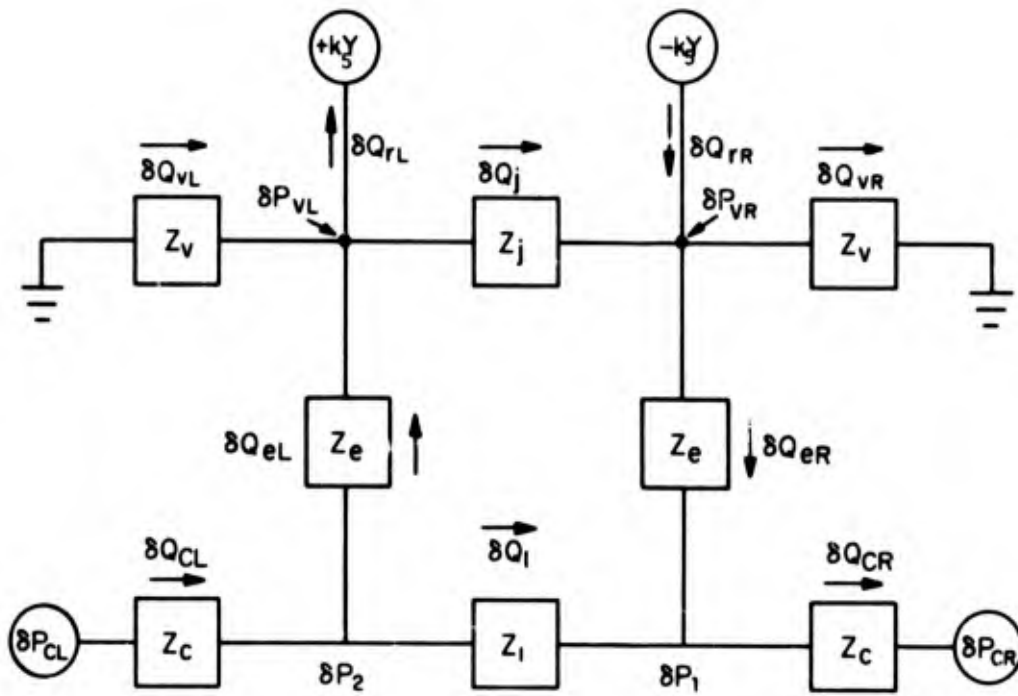


Figure 3. Equivalent dynamic circuit.

The impedance across the control edges is

$$Z_e = Z_{eR} = \frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_1}{\delta Q_{eR}} \quad (22a)$$

and

$$Z_e = Z_{eL} = \frac{\delta P_2 - \delta P_{vL}}{\delta Q_{eL}} \quad (22b)$$

But

$$\delta Q_{eL} = \delta Q_{eR} \equiv \delta Q_e$$

Thus from equations (22a) and (22b)

$$2Z_e = \frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL} + \delta P_2 - \delta P_1}{\delta Q_e} \quad (23a)$$

Except for resonant frequencies of the vents

$$\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL} \ll \delta P_2 - \delta P_1$$

hence for nonresonant frequencies

$$\frac{\delta P_2 - \delta P_1}{\delta Q_e} \cong 2Z_e \quad (23b)$$

Thus for nonresonant frequencies the input impedance to the controls may be found as follows:

Since

$$Z_1 = \frac{\delta P_2 - \delta P_1}{\delta Q_1}$$

and

$$\delta Q_e = \delta Q_c - \delta Q_1$$

then from equations (21) and (23b)

$$\delta P_2 - \delta P_1 = \frac{Z_1 Z_e}{2Z_e Z_c + Z_1 Z_c + Z_1 Z_e} (\delta P_{cL} - \delta P_{cR}) \quad (24)$$

and, again using equation (21), the input impedance  $Z_{in}$  is given by

$$Z_{in} = \frac{\delta P_{cL} - \delta P_{cR}}{\delta Q_c} = \frac{2(Z_e Z_c + Z_1 Z_c + Z_1 Z_e)}{2Z_e + Z_1} \quad (25a)$$

For the general case when  $\delta P_{vL} - \delta P_{vR}$  must be considered the expression for  $Z_{in}$  becomes much more complicated. We indicate the more general solution in section 3 of this report.

It is worth pointing out that for large  $Z_e$  (small edge clearances), equation (25a) becomes

$$Z_{in1} = 2Z_c + Z_1 \quad (25b)$$

whereas for small  $Z_e$  (large clearances)

$$Z_{in2} = 2Z_c \quad (25c)$$

Thus the impedance of the jet in the interaction region has negligible effect when the clearance is large and an appreciable effect when the clearance is small.

### 2.3 The Pressure Gain

We now find how the change in pressure difference at the receivers,  $\delta P_{rL} - \delta P_{rR}$ , is related to the change in pressure differences across the controls  $\delta P_{cL} - \delta P_{cR}$ .

From equation (7)

$$Y(\tau, s) = \frac{1}{\rho b} \int_0^{\tau_1} (\tau - \tau') e^{-s(\tau - \tau')} \Delta P d\tau' + \frac{1}{\rho b} \int_{\tau_1}^{\tau} (\tau - \tau') e^{-s(\tau - \tau')} \Delta P_v d\tau' \quad (26a)$$

where

$$\Delta P = \delta P_2 - \delta P_1$$

$$\Delta P_v = \delta P_{vL} - \delta P_{vR}$$

$$\tau_1 = \int_0^{x_1} \frac{dx}{u(x)} \quad (26b)$$

$$\tau_1 \leq \tau \leq \tau_L \quad (26c)$$

$$\tau_L = \int_0^L \frac{dx}{u(x)}$$

$L$  is the distance from the power jet nozzle to the splitter (fig. 1).

Carrying through the integration of equation (26a) we obtain

$$Y(\tau, s) = \frac{\Delta P}{\rho b s^2} \left\{ e^{-s(\tau - \tau_1)} \left[ 1 + s(\tau - \tau_1) \right] - e^{-s\tau} (1 + s\tau) \right\} + \frac{\Delta P_v}{\rho b s^2} \left\{ 1 - e^{-s(\tau - \tau_1)} \left[ 1 + s(\tau - \tau_1) \right] \right\} \quad (27)$$

Now the transverse jet flow,  $\delta Q_j$ , corresponding to the jet deflection is given by

$$\delta Q_j = h \int_{x_1}^L s Y(\tau, s) dx \quad (28)$$

As before if we assume that the velocity  $u(x)$  is constant, we obtain

$$\tau = \frac{x}{u_0}; \tau_1 = \frac{x_1}{u_0}$$

$$\delta Q_j = \frac{hu_0}{\rho bs^2} \{A_1 \Delta P_v + A_2 \Delta P\} \quad (29a)$$

where

$$A_1 = \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 + 2 \left[ e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} - 1 \right] + \alpha_2 e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} - \alpha_1 e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} \quad (29b)$$

$$A_2 = -2 \left[ e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} - 1 \right] - (\alpha_2 - \alpha_1) e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} + 2(e^{-\alpha_2} - e^{-\alpha_1}) + \alpha_2 e^{-\alpha_2} - \alpha_1 e^{-\alpha_1} \quad (29c)$$

and

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{x_1 s}{u_0}; \alpha_2 = \frac{Ls}{u_0} \quad (29d)$$

Then rewriting equation (27) using (29d) and with

$$\tau = \tau_L = \frac{L}{u_0}$$

we find

$$Y(L, s) = \frac{1}{\rho h s^2} \{B_1 \Delta P_v + B_2 \Delta P\} \quad (30a)$$

where

$$B_1 = 1 - (1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_1) e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} \quad (30b)$$

and

$$B_2 = (1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_1) e^{-(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} - (1 + \alpha_2) e^{-\alpha_2} \quad (30c)$$

For the volume involving  $\delta P_{vR}$  of figure 2 (or the junction point on the equivalent circuit diagram of figure 3) we obtain

$$\delta Q_v + \delta Q_e = \delta Q_r + \delta Q_j \quad (31)$$

where

$$\delta Q_v = \frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL}}{2Z_v} \quad (32a)$$

and similarly

$$\delta Q_e = \frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL} + \delta P_2 - \delta P_1}{2Z_e} \quad (32b)$$

We show in section 3 that for small deflections the returned flow,  $\delta Q_r$ , is proportional to the deflection:

$$\delta Q_r = k_5 Y(L, s) \quad (32c)$$

where  $k_5$  depends on the output impedance and therefore on the frequency.

Inserting equation (32) into (31)

$$\frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL}}{2Z_v} + \frac{\delta P_{vR} - \delta P_{vL}}{2Z_e} + \frac{\delta P_2 - \delta P_1}{2Z_e} = k_5 Y(L, s) + \delta Q_j \quad (33)$$

Then using equations (29a) and (30a) we obtain

$$\Delta P_v = \frac{\frac{1}{2Z_e} - \frac{hu_o A_2}{\rho bs^2} - \frac{k_5 B_2}{\rho bs^2}}{\frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{1}{2Z_e} + \frac{hu_o A_1}{\rho bs^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho bs^2}} \Delta P \quad (34)$$

and from equations (30a) and (34)

$$Y(L, s) = \frac{\Delta P}{\rho bs^2} \left\{ B_2 + \frac{B_1 \left( \frac{1}{2Z_e} - \frac{hu_o A_2}{\rho bs^2} - \frac{k_5 B_2}{\rho bs^2} \right)}{\frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{1}{2Z_e} + \frac{hu_o A_1}{\rho bs^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho bs^2}} \right\} \quad (35)$$

We insert the relation between  $\Delta p_c$  and  $\Delta p$  (equation 24) and obtain the relationship between the input pressure difference  $\Delta P_c$  and the jet deflection  $Y(L, s)$  in the vicinity of the splitter.

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$$Y(L, s) = \frac{Z_1 Z_e \Delta P_c}{\rho b s^2 (2Z_e Z_c + Z_1 Z_c + Z_1 Z_e)} \quad (36)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_1 \left( \frac{1}{2Z_e} - \frac{h u_o A_2}{\rho b s^2} - \frac{k_5 B_2}{\rho b s^2} \right) \\ B_2 + \frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{h u_o A_1}{\rho b s^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho b s^2} + \frac{1}{2Z_e} \end{array} \right\}$$

We proceed to find the relation between the output  $\Delta p_r$  and the jet deflection. In general this relation is of the form shown in figure 4. Since we are concerned only with small deflections, for which the curve is quite linear, we need know only the slope of the curve,  $\frac{\partial \Delta p_r}{\partial y_o}$ , in the vicinity of  $y_o = 0$ . The relationship between  $\Delta p_r$  and  $y_o$  for small values of  $y_o$  is then

$$\Delta p_r = \left. \frac{\partial \Delta p_r}{\partial y_o} \right|_{y_o=0} y_o$$

We assume that the recovered pressure depends on the amount of the jet dynamic pressure intercepted by the splitters, hence, if the velocity profile at the distance  $L$  from the nozzle is given by  $u(L, y)$ , then for a jet deflected by an amount  $y_o$ , for receivers of widths  $b_2$ :

$$\Delta p_r = \frac{\rho}{2b_2} \int_{-b_2}^0 u^2(L, y - y_o) dy - \frac{\rho}{2b_2} \int_0^{b_2} u^2(L, y - y_o) dy \quad (37)$$

$$\frac{\partial \Delta p_r}{\partial y_o} = \frac{\rho}{2b_2} \int_{-b_2}^0 \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial y_o}(L, y - y_o) dy - \frac{\rho}{2b_2} \int_0^{b_2} \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial y_o}(L, y - y_o) dy$$

but for any function  $f(y - y_o)$

$$-\frac{\partial f}{\partial y_o} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

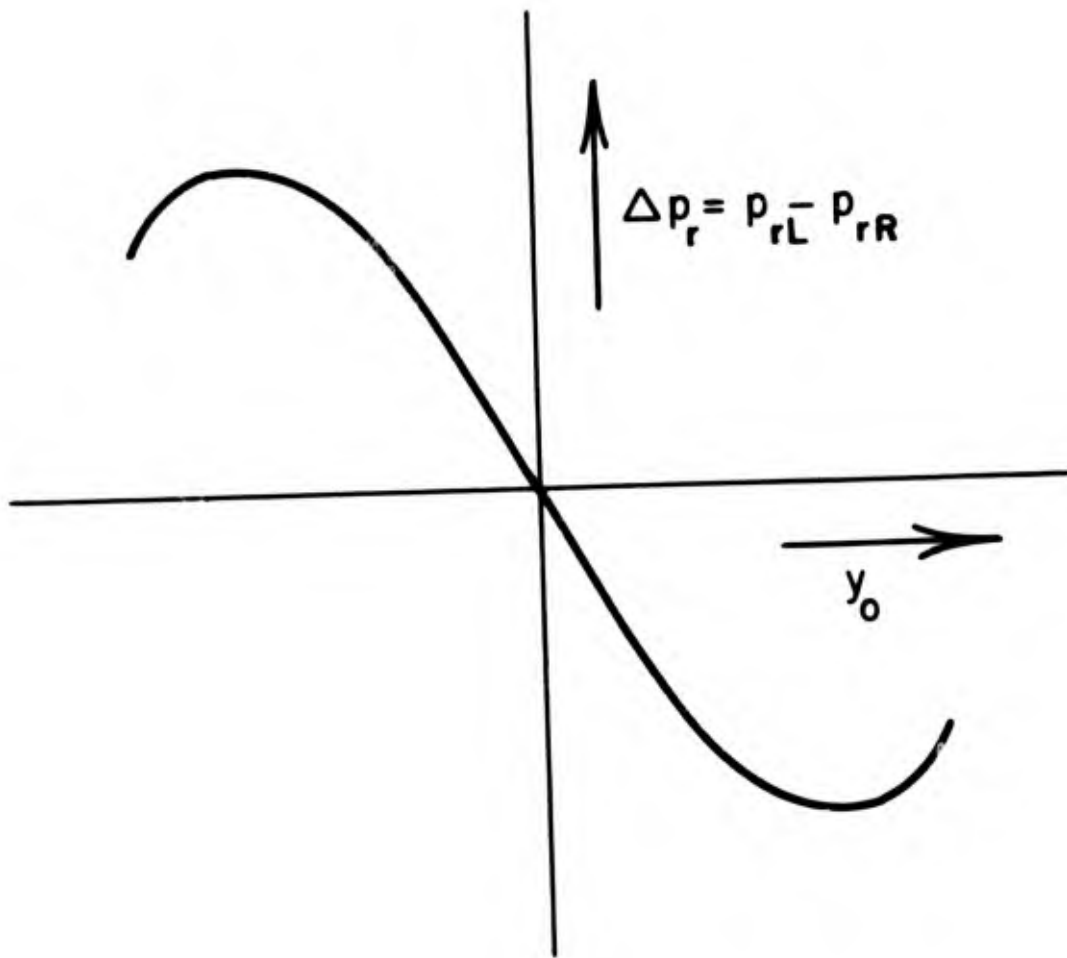


Figure 4. Recovered pressure difference as a function jet deflection.

hence

$$\frac{\partial \Delta P_r}{\partial y_0} = \frac{-\rho}{2b_2} \left[ u^2(L, -y_0) - u^2(L, -b_2 - y_0) \right. \\ \left. - u^2(L, b_2 - y_0) + u^2(L, -y_0) \right]$$

For  $y_c = 0$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \Delta P_r}{\partial y_0} \right|_{y_0=0} = \frac{-\rho}{2b_2} \left[ 2u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, -b_2) - u^2(L, b_2) \right]$$

Since  $u$  is an even function, the slope may be written as

$$\left. \frac{\partial \Delta P_r}{\partial y_0} \right|_{y_0=0} = \frac{-\rho}{b_2} \left[ u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2) \right]$$

Hence for small deflections

$$\Delta P_r = \frac{-y_0 \rho}{2} \left[ u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2) \right] \quad (38a)$$

or assuming that the relation also holds dynamically

$$\Delta P_r = \frac{-Y \rho}{b_2} \left[ u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2) \right] \quad (38b)$$

Inserting this into equation (36)

$$\Delta P_r = - \frac{[u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2)] Z_1 Z_e \Delta P_c}{bb_2 s^2 (2Z_e Z_c + Z_1 Z_c + Z_1 Z_e)} \quad (39)$$

$$\left( B_2 + \frac{B_1 \left( \frac{1}{2Z_e} - \frac{hu_o A_2}{\rho bs^2} - \frac{k_5 B_2}{\rho bs^2} \right)}{\frac{1}{2Z_e} + \frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{hu_o A_1}{\rho bs^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho bs^2}} \right)$$

Equation (39), which relates the pressure difference across the receivers to the pressure difference across the controls, is the desired transfer function.

It should be noted that in addition to the impedances appearing explicitly, the result also depends on the outlet impedance through  $k_5$ .

The predominant poles appear in the factor

$$\frac{1}{2Z_e} + \frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{hu_o A_1}{\rho bs^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho bs^2}$$

where  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are functions of  $\frac{sx_1}{u_o}$  and  $\frac{sL}{u_o}$ . It is seen, therefore, that resonances can be obtained from the vent impedance term  $Z_v$  that can be primarily inductive and resistive (wide open), primarily capacitive (closed) or some combination of inductive, capacitive, and resistive as discussed in Section 3.2.

The edge impedance  $Z_e$  is essentially resistive (the inductive effect is negligible in the frequency range of interest) and hence provides only damping. The terms in  $\frac{sL}{u_o}$  tend to provide resonant peaks at frequencies proportional to  $\frac{u_o}{L}$  and are thus similar to edgetone effect frequencies.

There is a similar effect at higher frequencies due to the term  $\frac{sx_1}{u_o}$ .

Finally resonance can be obtained from the outlet impedance. In this connection the remarks made for the vents apply. Various combinations of inductance, resistance, and capacitance are possible.

### 3. CALCULATION METHOD

In this section we obtain a more general expression for the input impedance and indicate how the various parameters may be obtained.

#### 3.1 The General Input Impedance

The previous expression (25a) obtained for the input impedance assumed that  $\Delta P_v$  was small compared with  $\Delta P$ . If this is not true, the general expression can be obtained by inserting into equation (23a) the value of  $\Delta P_v$  given in equation (34) resulting in

$$2Z_e = \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta Q_e} \left[ 1 + \frac{\frac{1}{2Z_e} - \frac{hu_o A_2}{\rho bs^2} - \frac{k_5 B_2}{\rho bs^2}}{\frac{1}{2Z_v} + \frac{1}{2Z_e} + \frac{hu_o A_1}{\rho bs^2} + \frac{k_5 B_1}{\rho bs^2}} \right] \quad (40)$$

This equation can then be used instead of equation (23b) to obtain the more general form of the input impedance.

#### 3.2 Evaluation of the Impedances and of $k_5$

In calculating the resistance portion of the impedance, the approach to be used for the proper small pressure fluctuation approximations depends on the geometry associated with the particular impedances. For shapes that are essentially parallel wall ducts, we can use the Hagen-Poiseuille resistance (as modified for rectangular ducts).

We linearize around the nonlinear resistance associated with an orifice. The Hagen-Poiseuille resistance, associated with a short duct terminated with an orifice, can usually be neglected in comparison with the orifice resistance. But if the duct is sufficiently long, both resistances should be considered.

In the following we assume that only the control-edge resistance and the outlet resistance are of the orifice type, but, in practice, the particular configuration must be taken into account.

##### 3.2.1 The Control-Duct Impedance

The impedance  $Z_c$  is given by

$$Z_c = R_c + sL_c \quad (41a)$$

where

$$R_c \approx \frac{12\mu l_1 (x_1^2 + h^2)}{x_1^3 h^3} \quad (41b)$$

$$L_c = \frac{\rho l_1}{x_1 h} \quad (41c)$$

Where  $l_1$  is the length of the control (fig. 2) and

$$l_1 \gg x_1, h$$

### 3.2.2 The Vent Impedance

The vent impedance for a wide open vent, as in figure 2, is also an inertance in series with a resistance and is evaluated similarly.

$$Z_v = R_v + sL_v \quad (42a)$$

$$R_v = \frac{12\mu l_{2e} (b_v^2 + h^2)}{(b_v h)^3} \quad (42b)$$

$$L_v = \frac{\rho l_{2e}}{b_v h} \quad (42c)$$

$$l_{2e} \gg b_v h$$

where  $l_{2e}$  is the effective length of the vent and  $b_v$  is its width.

For vents at right angles to the amplifier axis, the effective length  $l_{2e}$  is equal to the vent wall length,  $l_2$ , but obviously when the angle is less than a right angle  $l_{2e} < l_2$ .

### 3.2.3 The Control-Edge Impedance

The control-edge impedance is essentially a resistance and can be evaluated in terms of the clearance between the jet and the control-edge.

$$Z_e = R_e = \frac{q_{e0}}{\left(\frac{D-b_1}{2}\right)^2 h^2} \quad (43)$$

where  $q_{e0}$  is the flow past the control edge when the jet is undeflected. Because  $Z_e$  depends on  $Q_{e0}$ , it is a function of the bias pressure  $\frac{P_{cL} + P_{cR}}{2}$ .

### 3.2.4 The Jet Impedance

The impedance of the jet in the vicinity of the controls has already been evaluated in equation (16). In particular, for small values of  $\frac{sx}{u_0}$

$$Z_{11} = R_{11} + \frac{1}{sC_1} \quad (44a)$$

where

$$R_{11} = \frac{3\rho b u_0}{hx_1^2} \quad (44b)$$

$$C_1 = \frac{hx_1^3}{6\rho b u_0^2} \quad (44c)$$

### 3.2.5 The Outlet Impedance

We assume that the lines attached to the outlets have equal inductances  $L_o$  and see the same output load  $P_{LOAD}$ . The relation between the pressure and the flow at the right outlet, for example, is given by

$$P_{rR} - P_{LOAD} = K_o q_{oR}^2 \quad (45a)$$

where

$$K_o = \frac{\rho}{2b_o^2 h^2 c_{do}} \quad (45b)$$

$b_o$  = outlet orifice width

$c_{do}$  = discharge coefficient.

At zero input across the controls

$$q_{oRo} = q_{oLo} \equiv q_{oo} = \frac{1}{K_o^{1/2}} (p_{ro} - p_{LOAD})^{1/2} \quad (45c)$$

where  $p_{ro}$  is the dc pressure appearing at both the left and right receivers for zero input, i.e.,

$$p_{ro} = p_{rLo} = p_{rRo} \quad (46)$$

where  $q_{oRo}$ ,  $q_{oLo}$ ,  $p_{rRo}$ , and  $p_{rLo}$  are the left and right receiver flows and pressures respectively at zero deflection.

Since the outlets are considered here as lines terminated with an orifice, the impedance of the line\* is given as<sup>5</sup>:

$$\frac{\delta P_{rL}}{\delta Q_{oL}} = \frac{R_o \cosh s \sqrt{L_o C_o} + \sqrt{\frac{L_o}{C_o}} \sinh s \sqrt{L_o C_o}}{R_o \sqrt{\frac{C_o}{L_o}} \sinh s \sqrt{L_o C_o} + \cosh s \sqrt{L_o C_o}} \quad (47a)$$

where  $R_o$  is the outlet orifice resistance,  $L_o$  is the inertance of the outlet, and  $C_o$  is the capacitance of the outlet.

\*Here, we use the expression for a circular line because it is much simpler than that of the rectangular line. The error in the combined expression should be small.

<sup>5</sup>J. M. Kirshner, Fluid Amplifiers, McGraw-Hill, 1966, pp 170.

For low frequencies the lumped circuit approximation for equation (47a) is

$$\frac{\delta P_{rL}}{\delta Q_{oL}} = \frac{R_o + sL_o + \frac{s^2 R_o L_o C_o}{2} + \frac{s^3 L_o^2 C_o}{6}}{1 + sR_o C_o + \frac{s^2 C_o L_o}{2}} \quad (47b)$$

The outlet line may therefore be approximated relatively well by the circuit of figure 5 for which the circuit equation is

$$\frac{\delta P_{rL}}{\delta Q_{oL}} = \frac{R_o + sL_o + \frac{s^2 R_o L_o C_o}{2} + \frac{s^3 L_o^2 C_o}{4}}{1 + sR_o C_o + \frac{s^2 C_o L_o}{2}} \quad (47c)$$

Inasmuch as the cubic term in  $s$  is small for low frequencies, the slight discrepancy is relatively unimportant.

If  $R_o$  is small, that is if the orifice opening is not much smaller than the tube, then at sufficiently low frequencies, equation (47b) or (47c) can be simplified to

$$\frac{\delta P_{rL}}{\delta Q_{oL}} = R_o + sL_o \quad (47d)$$

where the variational resistance  $R_o$  is given by

$$R_o = 2k_o q_{oo} \quad (48)$$

[ $q_{oo}$  is defined in equation (45)].

Then since

$$\delta q_o - \delta q_{oR} = \delta q_{oL} \equiv \delta q_o$$

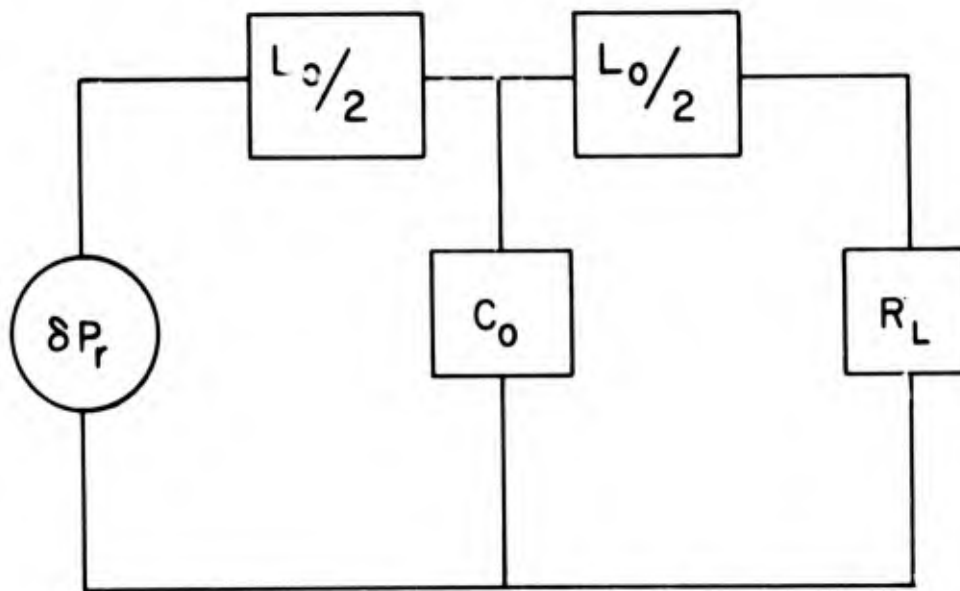


Figure 5. Equivalent input impedance circuit for receiver.

and

$$\delta P_{rR} = \delta P_{rL} \equiv \delta P_r,$$

we can write

$$Z_o \equiv \frac{\delta P_r}{\delta Q_o} \cong 2k_o q_{oo} + sL_o \quad (49)$$

### 3.2.6 Evaluation of the Coefficient $k_5$

Equation (32c) assumed that

$$\delta Q_r = k_5 Y$$

In order to find  $k_5$  we must recognize that the dynamic change in spilled (or returned) flow,  $\delta q_{rR}$ , for example, is equal and opposite to the change in output flow  $\delta q_{oR}$ , that is

$$\delta q_r = -\delta q_o \quad (50a)$$

or

$$\delta Q_r = -\delta Q_o \quad (50b)$$

Further, in keeping with our previous definition

$$\Delta P_r \equiv \delta P_{rL} - \delta P_{rR} = 2\delta P_r \quad (51)$$

It follows from equations (49), (50), and (51) that

$$\delta Q_r = -\frac{\Delta P_r}{2Z_o} \quad (52)$$

The relation between  $\Delta P_r$  and Y is given by equation (38b). Inserting it into equation (52)

$$\delta Q_r = \frac{\rho \left[ u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2) \right] Y}{Z_o 2b_2} \quad (53)$$

hence

$$k_5 = \frac{\rho \left[ u^2(L, 0) - u^2(L, b_2) \right]}{Z_o 2b_2} \quad (54)$$

#### 4. SUMMARY

In summary we have found an expression for the impedance due to the transverse motion of a jet in a pressure gradient.

We have also shown how the dynamic response of a jet can be incorporated into the expression for the relations between the pressure difference input and the pressure difference output for a beam deflection amplifier. The resulting transfer function incorporates the particle transport time in terms of the jet dynamics, instead of adding a time delay as is usually done. As a result the effect of frequency on the jet deflection and on the phase shift is taken into account more accurately.

In addition we have found (for small deflections) a simple relation between the jet deflection and both the output and returned flows. Knowledge of the velocity distribution is not necessary in order to obtain this relation, as it holds for any distribution.

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## GLOSSARY

$A_1$	= defined in equation (29b)
$A_2$	= defined in equation (29c)
$b$	= power jet nozzle width
$b_o$	= outlet orifice width
$b_v$	= vent width
$b_2$	= receiver width
$B_1$	= defined in equation (30b)
$B_2$	= defined in equation (30c)
$c_{do}$	= outlet discharge coefficient
$C_o$	= outlet capacitance
$C_1$	= transverse jet capacitance in control region
$g(x, t)$	= force acting on a fluid particle due to transverse pressure gradient
$G(x, s)$	= Laplace transform of $g(x, t)$
$h$	= slit height (distance between top and bottom plates)
$k_5$	= parameter giving proportionality between jet deflection and returned flow
$K_o$	= resistance coefficient for output orifice
$l_1$	= length of control nozzle
$l_2$	= length of vent wall
$l_{2e}$	= effective vent length
$L$	= distance between power jet nozzle and splitter
$L_c$	= control line inductance
$L_o$	= output receiver inductance
$L_v$	= vent inductance

## GLOSSARY (Continued)

$L_1$	= jet transverse inductance in control region
$p$	= pressure
$p_c$	= control pressure
$p_{cL}, p_{cR}$	= left and right control pressure respectively
$p_{LOAD}$	= load (output) pressure
$p_r$	= pressure at the receiver
$p_{rL}, p_{rR}$	= left and right receiver pressures respectively
$p_{rRo}$	= pressure at the right receiver when the jet is undeflected
$p_{ro}$	= pressure at either receiver when the jet is undeflected
$p_v$	= vent pressure acting on power jet
$p_{vL}, p_{vR}$	= left and right vent pressures
$p(s) = \mathcal{L}\{p(t)\}$	= Laplace transform of pressure
$p_2, p_1$	= left and right interaction pressures
$q_c$	= control flow
$q_{cL}, q_{cR}$	= left and right control flows
$q_e$	= flow between control edge and jet edge
$q_{eo}$	= flow between control edge and jet edge when the jet is undeflected
$q_j$	= transverse jet flow corresponding to jet deflection in vent region
$q_o$	= output flow
$q_{oR}$	= right output flow
$q_{oRo}$	= right output flow when jet is undeflected
$q_r$	= return flow
$q_v$	= vent flow

## GLOSSARY (Continued)

$q_1$	= transverse flow due to jet deflection in control region
$Q = \mathcal{L}\{q\}$	= Laplace transform of flow
$R_c$	= control resistance
$R_e$	= control edge resistance
$R_o$	= outlet resistance
$R_v$	= vent resistance
$R_1$	= jet transverse resistance in control region
$R_{11}$	= jet transverse resistance in control region at low frequencies
$R_{12}$	= jet transverse resistance in control region at high frequencies
$s$	= Laplace transform of flow
$t$	= time
$u_o = u(o)$	= power jet-nozzle exit velocity
$u(x, y)$	= axial velocity distribution
$u(x) = u(x, o)$	= centerline velocity
$v(x, y)$	= transverse velocity distribution
$x$	= axial distance
$x_1$	= control nozzle width near power jet
$y$	= transverse distance
$y_o(x, t)$	= jet particle displacement at distance $x$ from nozzle
$Y = \mathcal{L}\{y_o\}$	= Laplace transform of jet deflection
$Z_c$	= control nozzle impedance
$Z_e$	= impedance of clearance between control edge and jet
$Z_{in}$	= input impedance

## GLOSSARY (Continued)

$Z_v$	= vent impedance
$Z_1$	= jet impedance in control region
$Z_{11}$	= jet impedance in control region at low frequencies
$Z_{12}$	= jet impedance in control region at high frequencies
$\alpha_1$	= $\frac{x_1 s}{u_0}$
$\alpha_2$	= $\frac{Ls}{u_0}$
$\beta$	= $\frac{\omega x_1}{2u_0}$
$\delta$	= small change in a variable
$\theta$	= angle vent axis makes with amplifier axis
$\mu$	= viscosity
$\rho$	= density
$\tau_L$	= time for jet centerline particle to move the distance L
$\tau$	= time for jet centerline particle to move the distance x
$\tau_1$	= time for jet centerline particle to move the distance $x_1$
$\omega$	= angular frequency