

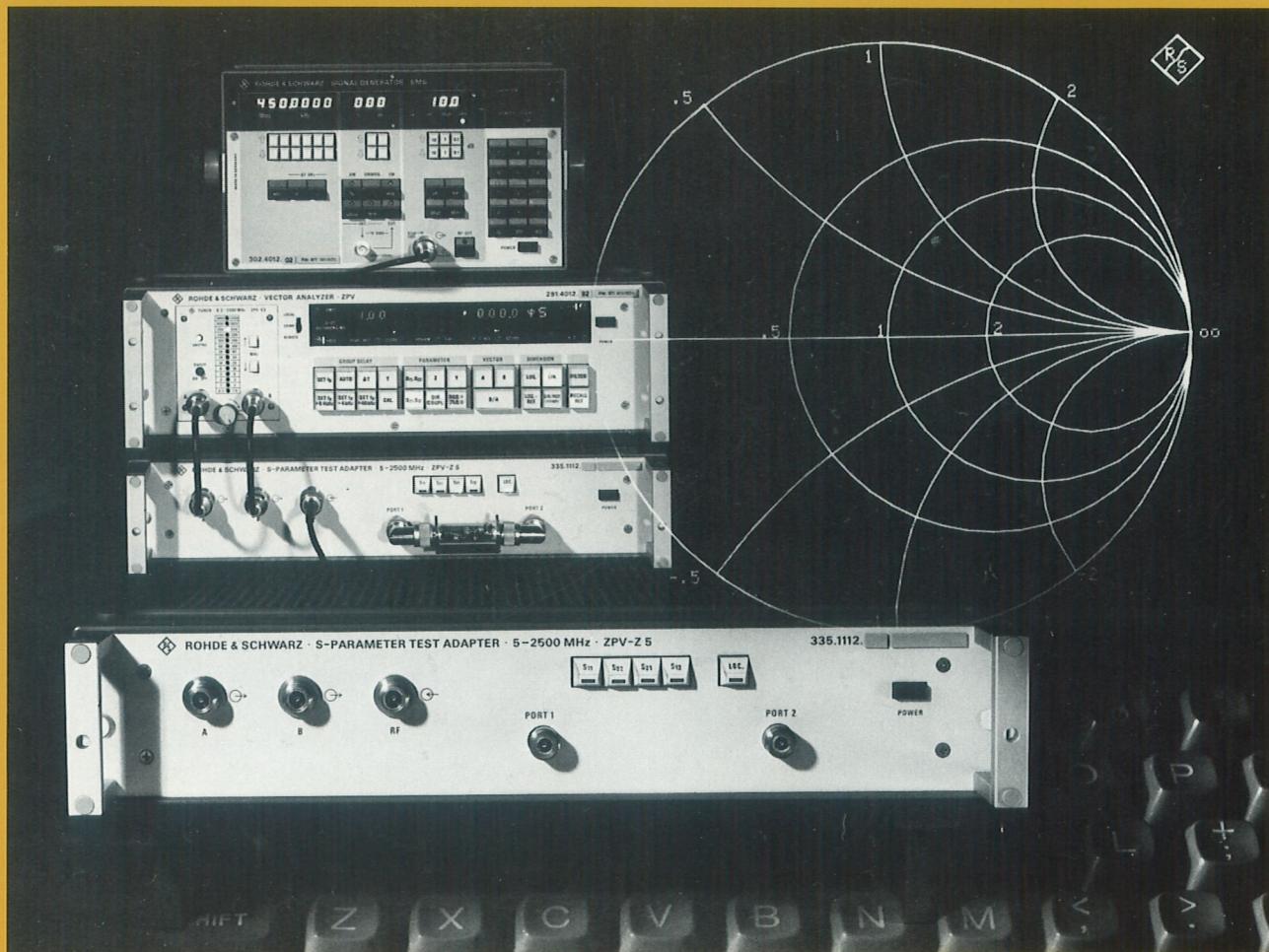


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ZPV-Z5

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5 to 2500 MHz



- Measurement of all four s-parameters without modification to the test setup
- High directivity: 46 dB
- IEC-bus compatible

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In conjunction with a suitable network analyzer, e.g. the Vector Analyzer ZPV, the **S-parameter Test Adapter ZPV-Z5** permits measurement of all four s-parameters without modification to the test setup.

## Characteristics and uses

**High directivity, wide frequency range** Thanks to the high directivity of the VSWR bridges of 46 dB (for typical values, see page 4), even items with very small reflection coefficients can be tested. The Test Adapter covers almost the entire frequency range of the Tuner ZPV-E3 due to its wide bandwidth of 5 to 2500 MHz; it can of course also be used with the Tuner ZPV-E2 in the range 5 to 1000 MHz.

**IEC-bus compatibility** The Test Adapter can be controlled via the IEC bus and thus combined with an IEC-bus-compatible signal generator and a desktop calculator to form a favourably priced, automatic network analyzer (see Fig. 2 and text on page 3).

**Connections, settings, measurements** The Test Adapter is connected to the RF generator and to channels A and B of the Vector Analyzer (see Fig. 1). The test item input and output are taken to ports 1 and 2 of the ZPV-Z5.

In manual operation the s-parameter to be measured is selected by pressing the corresponding front-panel key; in automatic operation (Fig. 3) it is set via the IEC bus by a desktop computer, e.g. the PUC or PCA.

The key labelling and the programming commands correspond to the s-parameters to be measured. To measure for instance the input reflection coefficient  $s_{11}$ , "S11" is simply entered via the computer, e.g.

IEC OUT 23, "11" for Process Controller PUC.



Fig. 2 Automatic network analysis using Vector Analyzer ZPV, S-parameter Test Adapter ZPV-Z5, Sweep Generator SWP and Process Controller PUC

## Description

The ZPV-Z5 was designed with symmetrical circuits for measuring input and output parameters (Fig. 1). The reference branch includes a line for compensating the electrical lengths in the circuits under test; tedious length compensation by adding a suitable line section is thus no longer required. If a test item cannot be linked up directly to the test sockets of the ZPV-Z5, the input and output of the test item are simply connected via identical cable sections and a third section of the same length is inserted into the reference branch. To provide a power supply for active components, two DC Feed Units ZPV-Z6 can be connected externally (page 4).

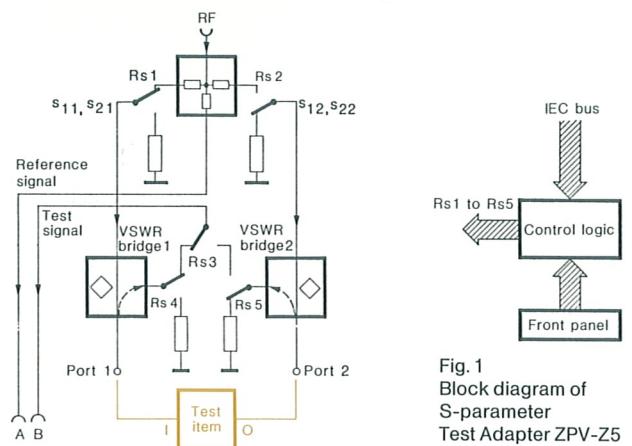


Fig. 1  
Block diagram of  
S-parameter  
Test Adapter ZPV-Z5

## Automatic network analysis

The combination of Vector Analyzer ZPV (see data sheet 292401) with S-parameter Test Adapter ZPV-Z5, Signal Generator SMS2 and Process Controller PUC constitutes a favourably priced **automatic network analyzer**. This test setup permits high-precision S-parameter measurements.

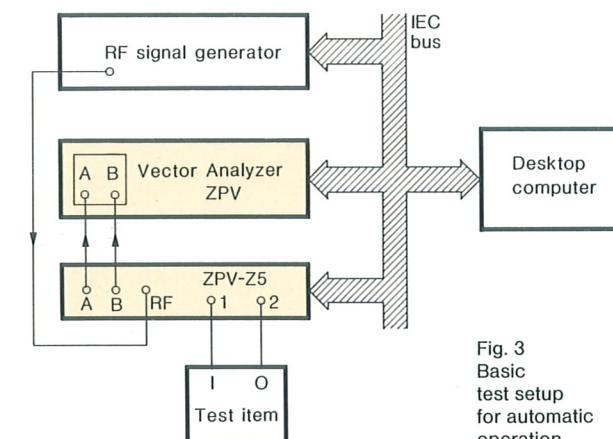


Fig. 3  
Basic  
test setup  
for automatic  
operation

The **S-parameter Accuracy-improvement** eliminates to a large extent errors due to the test setup. To this effect, the test setup should be calibrated for each test frequency under short-circuit, open-circuit or matching conditions and the corresponding calibration values stored in the computer. Then the measurement accuracy depends only on the calibration standards used. Using a synthesizer ensures that the results are highly reproducible. When measuring the reflection coefficient for matched components, the error is about 0.2%; in the case of total mismatch it is about 1%. Fig. 4 shows the program for corrected measurements of all four s-parameters without having to reconnect the test item.

The desktop calculators PUC or PCA 5 permit **graphic display** of the test results in cartesian, polar or Smith-chart formats on the calculator screen or a plotter. Fig. 5 shows the numerical and graphic displays of results obtained with and without S-parameter Accuracy-improvement Software when measuring the input reflection coefficient of a shorted waveguide.

The **modular design of the software** which is made up of individual subroutines enables even the unexperienced user to produce test programs rapidly.

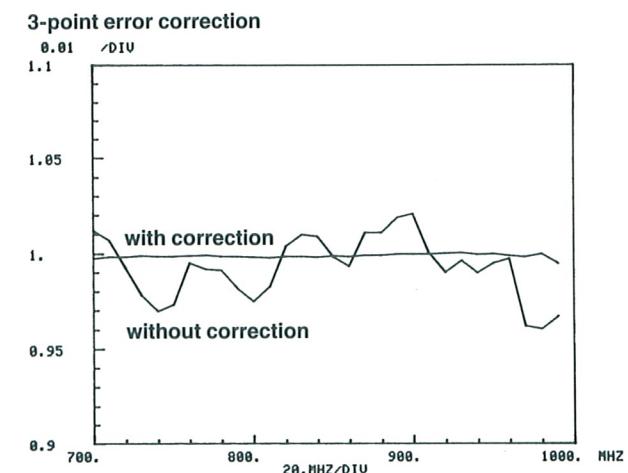
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100 REM**CORRECTED MEASUREMENT OF ALL 4 S-PARAMETERS**
110 REM
120 REM**INPUT DATA ***
130 Y=4
140 GOSUB 1
150 Y=100
160 GOSUB 9
170 Y=10
180 GOSUB 10
190 Y=10
200 GOSUB 11
210 REM**OPERATIONAL SETTINGS **
220 GOSUB 22
230 REM**S11 CALIBRATION**
240 GOSUB 70
250 GOSUB 47
260 Y=45
270 REM**S22 CALIBRATION**
280 GOSUB 51
290 GOSUB 35
300 REM**S21 CALIBRATION**
310 GOSUB 73
320 GOSUB 51
330 Y=3
340 REM**S12 CALIBRATION**
350 GOSUB 74
360 GOSUB 33
370 PRINT"CONNECT DEVICE UNDER TEST"
380 GOSUB 42
390 REM**S11 MEASUREMENT**
400 GOSUB 70
410 GOSUB 47
420 PRINT"S11"
430 GOSUB 37
440 REM**S22 MEASUREMENT**
450 GOSUB 71
460 PRINT"S22"
470 GOSUB 37
480 REM**S21 MEASUREMENT**
490 GOSUB 73
500 GOSUB 51
510 PRINT"S21"
520 GOSUB 37
530 REM**S12 MEASUREMENT**
540 GOSUB 74
550 PRINT"S12"
560 GOSUB 37
570 GOTO 360
580 END
      HALT
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S11
      SELECT REFLECTION MEASUREMENT ON ZPV
      CALIBRATE WITH 3-POINT CORRECTION
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S22
      CALIBRATE WITH 3-POINT CORRECTION
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S21
      SELECT TRANSMISSION MEASUREMENT ON ZPV
      CALIBRATE WITH SIMPLE CORRECTION
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S12
      CALIBRATE WITH SIMPLE CORRECTION
      NUMERICAL OUTPUT OF MEASUREMENTS
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S22
      NUMERICAL OUTPUT OF MEASUREMENTS
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S21
      SELECT TRANSMISSION MEASUREMENT ON ZPV
      NUMERICAL OUTPUT OF MEASUREMENTS
      SET ZPV-Z5 TO S12
      NUMERICAL OUTPUT OF MEASUREMENTS
      END
      READY.
  
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Fig. 4 Program for corrected measurement of all four s-parameters without manual switchover

Frequency	Irl	<r
700.0000	0.9934	-91.0066
710.0000	0.9956	-97.2942
720.0000	0.9959	-103.5903
730.0000	0.9968	-109.8903
740.0000	0.9965	-116.1878
750.0000	0.9963	-122.5132
760.0000	0.9967	-128.8499
770.0000	0.9964	-135.1799
780.0000	0.9963	-141.6089
790.0000	0.9965	-147.9974
800.0000	0.9972	-154.3816
810.0000	0.9962	-160.7765
820.0000	0.9963	-167.1590
830.0000	0.9957	-173.5942
840.0000	0.9960	-179.9590
850.0000	0.9965	-173.5522
860.0000	0.9974	-167.0837
870.0000	0.9970	-160.5765
880.0000	0.9981	154.1822
890.0000	0.9973	147.6854
900.0000	0.9985	141.2015
910.0000	0.9987	134.6395
920.0000	0.9974	128.0688
930.0000	0.9979	121.4991
940.0000	0.9973	114.9146
950.0000	0.9977	108.2798
960.0000	0.9972	101.5989
970.0000	0.9968	94.9332
980.0000	0.9976	88.3213
990.0000	0.9930	81.6578

Fig. 5  
Numerically and graphically displayed test results obtained when measuring the input reflection coefficient of a shorted waveguide (with and without S-parameter Accuracy-improvement Software)



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## DC supply for active test items

The DC Feed Unit ZPV-Z6 (see Fig. 6) is used for supplying active test items with direct current. It contains a broadband inductor for the current supply and an isolating capacitor blocking the inner conductor of the coaxial line for DC.

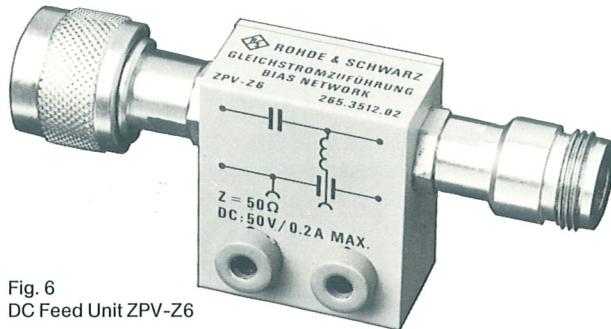


Fig. 6  
DC Feed Unit ZPV-Z6

## Specifications of ZPV-Z6

Frequency range . . . . .	5 to 2500 MHz
Impedance . . . . .	50 Ω
Maximum voltage . . . . .	50 V DC
Maximum current . . . . .	200 mA DC
Reflection coefficient . . . . .	see Fig. 7
Connectors: RF . . . . .	N male } can be RF + DC . . . . .      N female } interchanged DC . . . . .      telephone jacks (4 mm)
Order designation . . . . .	► DC Feed Unit ZPV-Z6 265.3512.02 (2 units required)

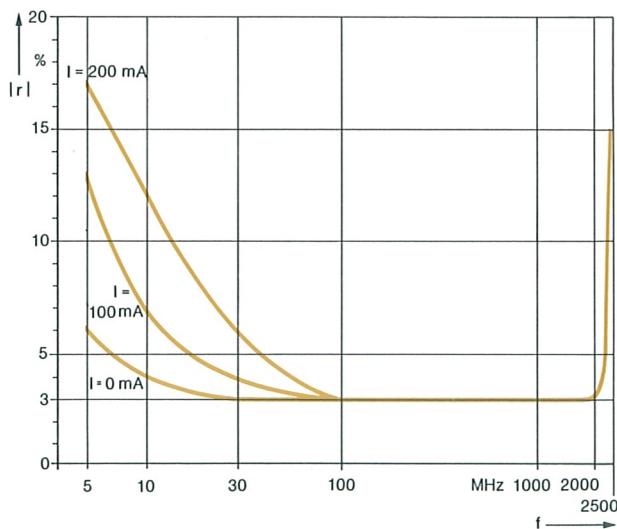


Fig. 7 Reflection coefficient of DC Feed Unit ZPV-Z6 as a function of frequency

## Specifications of ZPV-Z5

Frequency range . . . . .	5 to 2500 MHz
Input and output impedance . . . . .	50 Ω, N female connectors for A, B, RF; N precision female connectors for port 1, 2
Permissible input loading . . . . .	0.5 W
Directivity . . . . .	≥ 46 dB up to 2000 MHz ≥ 40 dB up to 2500 MHz
Insertion loss at 5 MHz	
RF input – reference output A . . . . .	6 dB ± 1 dB
– ports 1, 2 . . . . .	13 dB ± 1 dB
– test output B . . . . .	18 dB ± 1 dB
Measurement error	
Variation with frequency of reflection coefficient and trans- mission factor . . . . .	≤ ± 1.2 dB (difference-frequency response between test output B and reference output A)
Frequency-proportional phase error . . . . .	≤ ± 6° × f (f in GHz) (between test output B and reference output A)
Measurement error due to inherent reflection . . . . .	≤ ± 0.05 ×  rl  <sup>2</sup> r = reflection coefficient of item under test
Phase error due to inherent reflection . . . . .	≤ ± 6° ×  rl  <sup>2</sup>
VSWR	
mismatch (ports 1, 2) . . . . .	r ≤ 7%
Relay switching time . . . . .	30 ms (life: 1 x 10 <sup>6</sup> switching actions)
Programming System . . . . .	IEC 625-1 24-contact Amphenol connector
Factory-set address . . . . .	23
Interface functions . . . . .	AH1, L2, RL1
General data	
Nominal temperature range . . . . .	+18 to +30 °C
Operating temperature range . . . . .	-10 to +45 °C
Storage temperature range . . . . .	-45 to +70 °C
AC supply . . . . .	115/125/220/235 V ± 10% 47 to 440 Hz (25 VA)
Dimensions, weight . . . . .	492 mm x 116 mm x 514 mm, 7.7 kg

## Ordering information

Order designation . . . . .	► S-parameter Test Adapter ZPV-Z5 335.1112.52
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## Recommended extras

Vector Analyzer ZPV (basic unit) . . . . .	291.4012.93
Tuner	
ZPV-E1 (10 Hz to 50 MHz) . . . . .	303.0510.02
ZPV-E2 (0.1 to 1000 MHz) . . . . .	292.0010.02
ZPV-E3 (0.3 to 2000 MHz) . . . . .	301.7018.02
Insertion Adapter ZPV-Z1	
(for ZPV-E2 only) . . . . .	292.2713.50 (2 units required)
IEC-bus Cable PCK, 1 m . . . . .	292.2013.10
Precision Termination RNA, 50 Ω . . . . .	272.4510.50
Termination RNB, 50 Ω	
(for ZPV-E2 only) . . . . .	272.4910.50 (2 units required)
Shortcircuit connector 50 Ω (N) . . . . .	017.8080.00
Pair of Test Cables ZPV-Z4	
(with ZPV-E3 only) . . . . .	335.1012.50

## For computer-controlled operation

Basic Software for	
Process Controller PCA 5 . . . . .	ZPV-K13 . . . . . 818.4811.02
Process Controller PUC . . . . .	ZPV-K10 . . . . . 291.8818.02
Tektronix 4051, 4052 . . . . .	ZPV-K1 . . . . . 292.2113.02
HP 9835 and 9845 . . . . .	ZPV-K4 . . . . . 292.2413.02

## S-parameter Accuracy-improvement

Software for	
Process Controller PCA 5 . . . . .	ZPV-K14 . . . . . 818.4911.02
Process Controller PUC . . . . .	ZPV-K11 . . . . . 291.8918.02
Tektronix 4051, 4052 . . . . .	ZPV-K2 . . . . . 292.2213.02
HP 9835 and 9845 . . . . .	ZPV-K5 . . . . . 292.2513.02

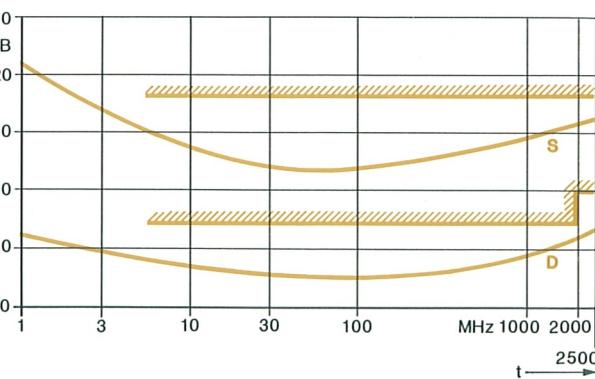


Fig. 8 Typical characteristic and tolerance limits of return loss S at the test port and directivity D of the ZPV-Z5



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