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## SPECIFICATIONS

<b>FREQUENCY RANGE:</b>	10 to 100,000 cps in four ranges.
<b>FREQUENCY CONTROL:</b>	Main control dial engraved from 10 to 100 cps over $8\frac{3}{4}$ in. Four multiplier switches multiply scale frequencies by 1, 10, 100, and 1000.
<b>FREQUENCY CALIBRATION:</b>	$\pm(1\frac{1}{2} + 0.2 \text{ cps})$ .
<b>FREQUENCY STABILITY:</b>	Warm-up drift less than 1% in first 10 min, less than 0.2% during next hour.
<b>OUTPUT IMPEDANCE:</b>	Balanced 600 ohms and grounded 5000 ohms. Internal impedance of 600-ohm output is constant at 550 ohms unless low output terminal is grounded. When low output terminal is grounded, output impedance is 300 ohms, grounded. In 5000-ohm output impedance position, internal impedance of the oscillator averages about 400 ohms.
<b>OUTPUT VOLTAGE:</b>	At least 20 v open circuit on 5000-ohm output, and 10 v open circuit on 600-ohm output. The output voltage is constant within $\pm 1.0$ db over entire frequency range.
<b>OUTPUT POWER:</b>	80 mw max into a 5000-ohm load; 40 mw max into a balanced 600-ohm load; 20 mw into a 300-ohm load.
<b>WAVEFORM:</b>	Total harmonic content less than 1%
<b>A-C HUM:</b>	24 mv max with 5000-ohm output; 12 mv max with 600-ohm output.
<b>TERMINALS:</b>	Jack-top binding posts with standard $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. spacing. The separate ground terminal has a strap that can be used to ground the low output terminal. Output is also available at a multipoint connector at the rear of the instrument. A mating connector is supplied.
<b>MOUNTING:</b>	Relay-rack panel easily adapted for table mounting by addition of two frames at ends of panel.
<b>POWER SUPPLY:</b>	105 to 125 (or 210 to 250) v, 50 to 60 cps. Power consumption is 90 watts. Instrument will operate satisfactorily on power-supply frequencies up to 400 cycles.
<b>ACCESSORIES SUPPLIED:</b>	Type CAP-35 Power Cord, Type 274-NK Shielded Plug, multipoint connector, and spare fuses.
<b>DIMENSIONS:</b>	Panel width 19 in., panel height 7 in., depth behind panel 12 in., (485 x 180 x 305 mm).
<b>WEIGHT:</b>	30 lb. (13.6 kg)



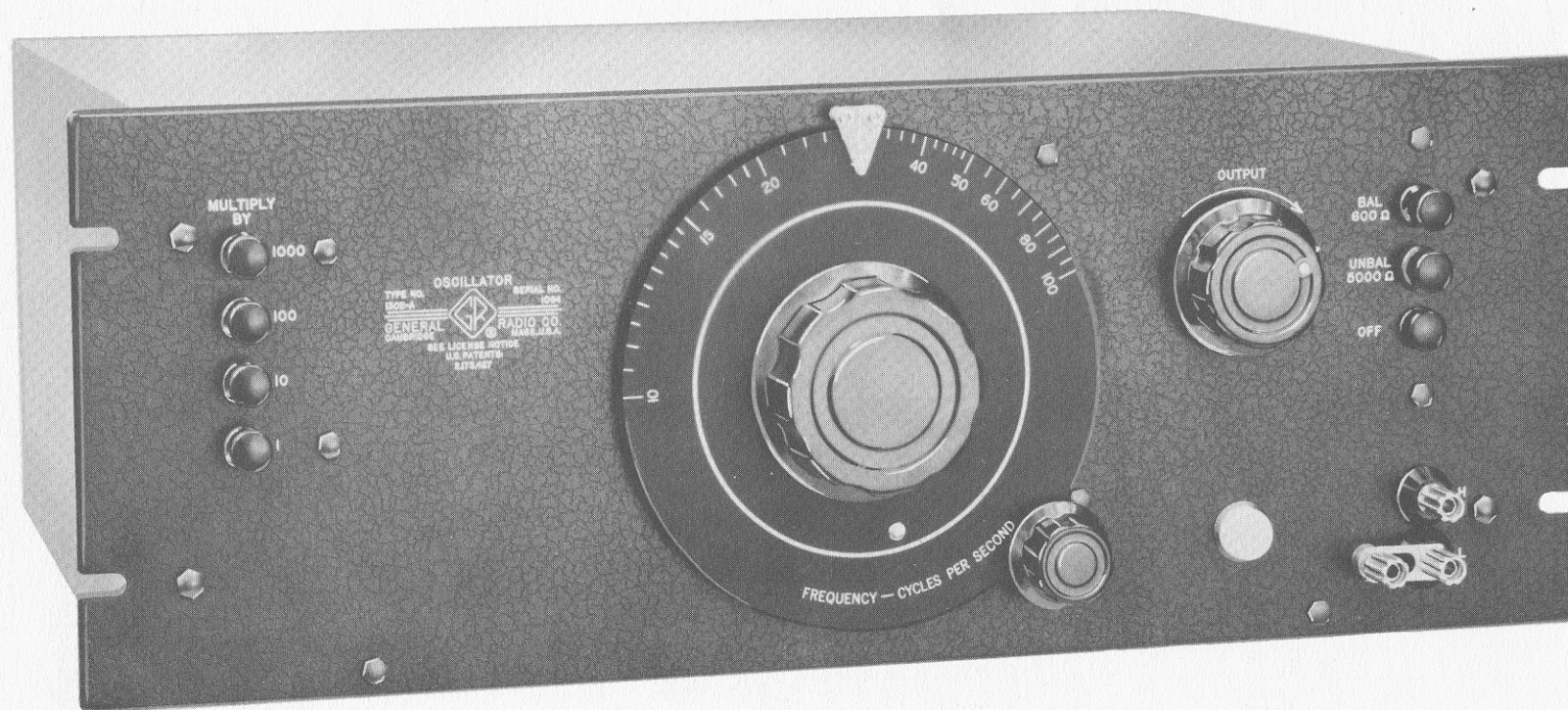


Figure 1. Type 1302-A Oscillator.

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# TYPE 1302-A OSCILLATOR

## Section 1

### INTRODUCTION

1.1 GENERAL. The Type 1302-A Oscillator (Figure 1) is a versatile power source for bridge and other measurement devices. It has a wide frequency range and excellent amplitude stability.

#### 1.2 DESCRIPTION.

1.2.1 GENERAL. The Type 1302-A Oscillator is an r-c oscillator employing an inverse feedback circuit. The frequency-determining network is a modified form of a Wien bridge, in which the capacitive elements are controlled by the main frequency dial, and two resistive elements are selected by a range switch. The output of this network balances to a null at one frequency and results in a negative feedback voltage at all other frequencies. This condition can cause oscillations of the amplifier at one frequency, if a positive feedback voltage is introduced that has just enough amplitude to equal the losses around the loop.

The amplitude of oscillation is controlled by means of the positive feedback voltage, which is fed from the junction of two additional resistance arms added in parallel to the reactance arms of the bridge.

The ratio of these resistances determines the amount of positive feedback and hence the amplitude of oscillation. One of the arms is an incandescent lamp with a nonlinear resistance, and the values are so chosen that any change in oscillator amplitude changes the ratio of the two resistance arms the proper amount to make a compensating change in the positive feedback voltage. Thus an AVC action is produced on the oscillator amplitude.

A buffer amplifier isolates the output control from the oscillator section and thus prevents reaction of the control upon the frequency of the oscillator. The output control is located ahead of the final amplifier so that it will not affect the balance and magnitude of the internal output impedance.

Negative feedback in the amplifier reduces harmonic distortion, provides a flat frequency response, and minimizes the effects of tube characteristics. Transformers are not used because of the wide frequency range and the low distortion requirements at low frequencies.

1.2.2 CONTROLS. The following controls are on the panel of the Type 1302-A Oscillator:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Function</u>
FREQUENCY	Continuous knob and dial	Selects (with multiplier) output frequency.
MULTIPLY BY	Push buttons (4)	Selects range of output frequency.
OUTPUT	Continuous rotary control	Varies output amplitude.
none	Push buttons (3)	Selects either 600-ohm or 5000-ohm output impedance, or turns instrument on or off.

1.2.3 CONNECTIONS. The following connections are provided on the Type 1302-A Oscillator:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Function</u>
H, L, G	Jack-top binding posts (3)	High and low output terminals and ground terminal, respectively.
none	Multipoint connector	Alternate output connection.

1.2.4 ACCESSORIES. A power cord, Type 274 Shielded Plug, multipoint connector, and spare fuses are supplied with the instrument.

## Section 2

### OPERATING PROCEDURE

**2.1 POWER SUPPLY.** Instruments are normally shipped connected for 115-volt operation, but can be easily adapted to 230-volt use. To change to the 230-volt connection, connect together transformer terminals 2 and 3, and connect the line to terminals 1 and 4. Then replace the fuses with those of the proper rating (refer to parts list) and reverse the nameplate near the power-input receptacle to read 230 v, 50-60 cycles. Voltage regulators within the instrument eliminate all effects of line-voltage variation, including transients, over the range from 105 to 125 (210 to 250) volts. Also, hum level has been reduced to a minimum and will not exceed 0.2 percent at full output. Input power is about 90 watts.

**2.2 FREQUENCY CONTROL.** The frequency dial is direct-reading, and covers one decade. A set of four push-buttons provides multiplying factors of 1, 10, 100, and 1000.

**2.3 OUTPUT SYSTEM.** Either of two output impedances may be selected by means of push-buttons. The UNBAL 5000 $\Omega$  button is intended for use with 5000-ohm loads, unbalanced to ground. When this button is pushed, the LOW terminal is internally connected to ground. An output of about 80 milliwatts (20 volts) can be obtained with the normal 5000-ohm load, with

less than 1 percent harmonic distortion. The effective internal impedance of the oscillator averages about 400 ohms. (See Figure 2.)

Figure 3 gives the distortion-vs-load characteristic of the 5000-ohm output position over a considerable range of load conditions. From this it is seen that a useful output can be obtained for loads of 2500 ohms to open circuit.

The BAL 600 $\Omega$  button is designed for use with a 500-600-ohm load, and allows an output of 40 milliwatts with a harmonic content of less than 1 percent. The internal impedance is constant at about 550 ohms, and 500-600-ohm lines may be coupled directly to the output.

With the BAL 600 $\Omega$  button pushed, the output is balanced to ground. For unbalanced operation with the low output terminal grounded, connect the grounding strap between the G and L binding posts. Internal impedance and output power will then be reduced by one half. Failure to connect the grounding strap to the L (low) terminal during unbalanced operation will cause the distortion to increase slightly.

Figure 3 shows the effect of load impedance upon harmonic distortion, in the 600-ohm position, over an impedance range from 50 ohms to open circuit. These data are average values, and the characteristics of individual instruments will differ slightly from the curves shown.

## Section 3

### SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

**3.1 GENERAL.** The two-year warranty given with every General Radio instrument attests the quality of materials and workmanship in our products. When difficulties do occur, our service engineers will assist in any way possible.

In case of difficulties that cannot be eliminated by the use of these service instructions, please write or phone our Service Department, 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.

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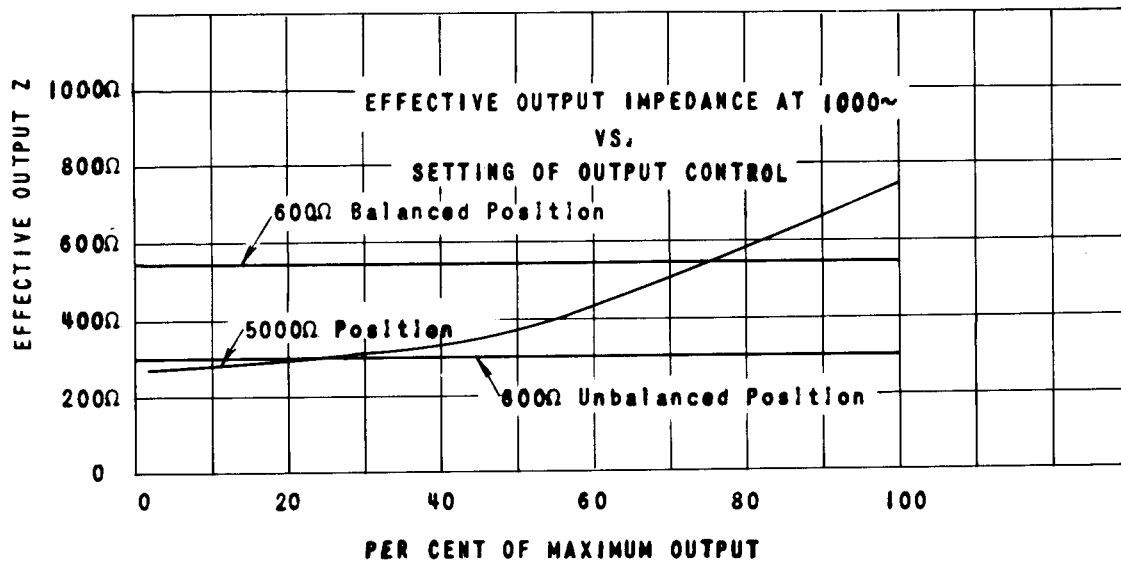


Figure 2. Effective Output Impedance vs Output Control Setting.

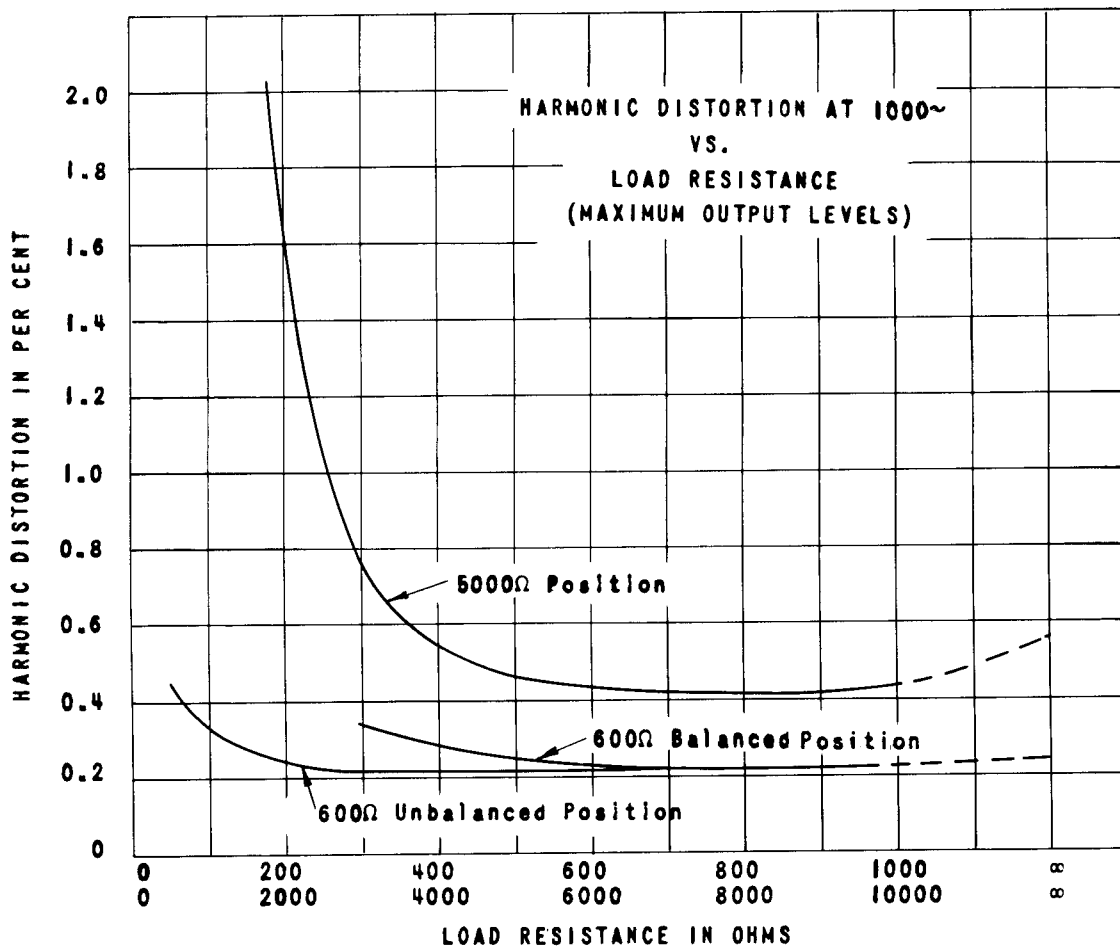


Figure 3. Harmonic Distortion vs Load Resistance.



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Before returning an instrument to General Radio for service, please write to our Service Department or nearest district office (see back cover), 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.

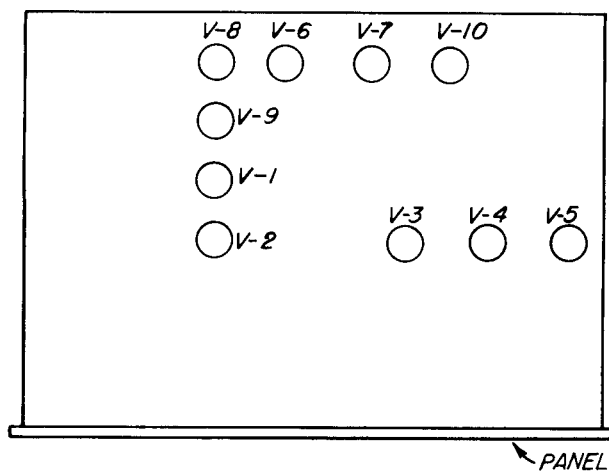
**3.2 FREQUENCY CALIBRATION.** All four frequency ranges have independent adjustments, permitting the scale calibration to be corrected for any drift that may occur. Two rheostats are used to set the low-frequency end of the dial, and two adjustable capacitors are used for the high-frequency end of the dial. These controls are mounted in the subassembly that includes the frequency range switch, and are clearly marked with the corresponding range positions. It should not be necessary to alter these adjustments unless the instrument has been in use for some time and/or the tubes have been changed.

If for any reason the shield over the tuning capacitor is removed or damaged, it may be found that the dial is slightly in error, equally on all ranges. The two capacitors C10 and C11 will control the scale length to produce the desired correction by shifting the calibration near the high-frequency end of the dial.

Whenever any of these adjustments is made, it is better to change the two capacitors by equal amounts, rather than to make the entire correction on one capacitor.

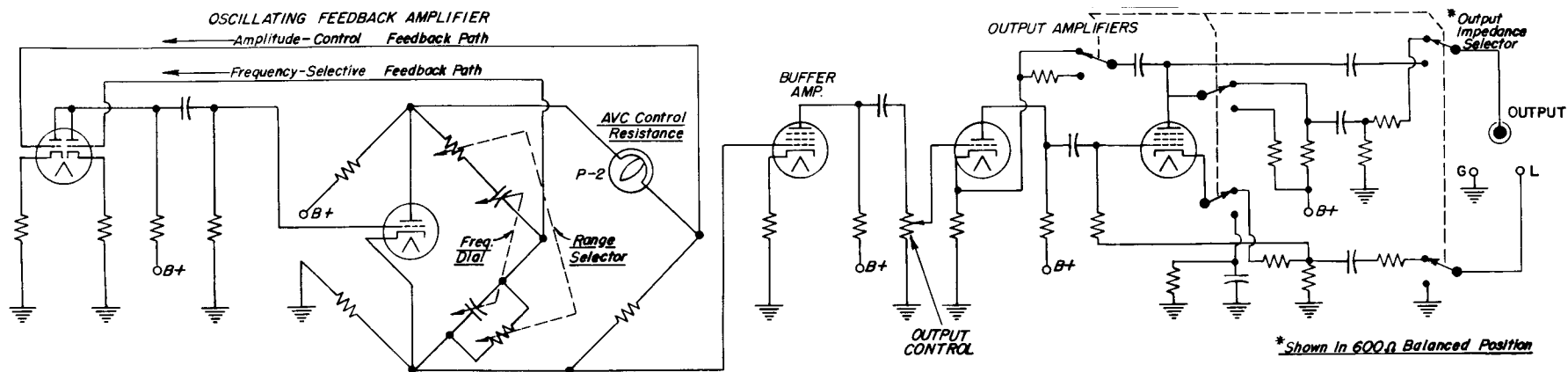
**3.3 INTERNAL ADJUSTMENTS.** The amplifier is factory-adjusted for minimum distortion on the 5000-ohm output position by means of R22 (see Figure 6), and should not require further adjustment.

An adjustment (R12) is provided to compensate for possible variations in the stabilizing lamp, P2. Most lamps will work without readjustment of this control, but occasionally a replacement lamp might require a resetting of this control to obtain a stable output voltage.



**TOP VIEW OF INSTRUMENT**

Figure 4. Tube Layout Diagram.



**Figure 5. Elementary Schematic Diagram**

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## Section 4 PARTS LIST

				GR NO. (NOTE A)					GR NO. (NOTE A)					GR NO. (NOTE A)
RESISTORS (NOTE B)	R1	75	k ± 5%, 1/2w	REC-20BF	RESISTORS (NOTE B)	R103	1.0	M ± 20%	POSC-11	CAPACITORS (NOTE C)	C101	7-45μf		COT-12
	R2	75	k ± 5%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		R104	12.0	M ± 1%, 5w	REF-1-4		C102	50μf	±10%	COM-20B
	R3	62	k ± 5%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		R105	1.15	M ± 1%	REPR-18-E		C103	7-45μf		COT-12
	R4	1.0	M ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		R106	100	k ± 20%	POSC-11		C104	7-45μf		COT-12
	R5	230	±0.5%	510-344		R107	100	k ± 20%	POSC-11		C105	50μf	±10%	COM-20B
	R6	1.77	k			R108	1.15	M ± 1%	REPR-18-E		C106	7-45μf		COT-12
	R7					R109	115	k ± 1%	REPR-17-E		C107	7-45μf		COT-12
	R9	4	k ± 0.5%	510-390-2		R110	10	k ± 20%	POSC-11		C108	50μf	±10%	COM-20B
	R10					R111	25	k ± 10%	POSC-11		C109	7-45μf		COT-12
	R11	1.5	k ± 10%, 1w	REW-4C		R112	115	k ± 1%	REPR-17-E		C110	7-45μf		COT-12
	R12	1	k ± 10%	POSW-3		R113	11.50	k ± 1%	510-390-2		C111	7-45μf		COT-12
	R13	470	±10%, 1/2w	REW-3C		R114	1.5	k ± 20%	POSC-11		C112	50μf	±10%	COM-20B
	R14	2.4	k ± 5%, 2w	REC-41BF		R115	1.5	k ± 20%	POSC-11	CAPACITORS (NOTE C)	F1	FUSE, 1.25-amp, Slo-Blo, for 115-v operation		FUF-1
	R15	27	k ± 10%, 1w	REC-30BF		R116	11.50	k ± 1%	510-390-2		F1	FUSE, 0.6-amp Slo-Blo, for 230-v operation		FUF-1
	R16	7.5	k ± 5%, 10w	REPO-44		C1	50	150dcwv }	COEB-201		F2	FUSE, 1.25-amp Slo-Blo, for 115-v operation		FUF-1
	R17	50	k ± 10%	410-413		C2	50	150dcwv }			F2	FUSE, 0.6-amp Slo-Blo, for 230-v operation		FUF-1
	R18	5.1	k ± 5%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C3	0.05	±10%	COM-50B		P1	PILOT LIGHT, 6.3v, Mazda Type 44		2LAP-939
	R19	56	k ± 10%, 1w	REC-30BF		C4	7-45μf		COT-12		P2	CONTROL LAMP, 120v, 3w		2LAP-1
	R20	1.0	M ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C5	7-45μf		COT-12		PL1	PLUG		ZCDPP-10
	R21	470	±10%, 1/2w	REW-3C		C6	40	450dcwv	COE-18		S1	SWITCH		SWPM-13-2
	R22	500	±10%	POSW-3		C7	80	450dcwv	COE-201		S2	SWITCH		SWPM-12-2
	R23	8	k ± 5%, 10w	REPO-44		C8	80	450dcwv	COE-201		T1	TRANSFORMER		365-455
	R24	2	k ± 5%, 10w	REPO-44		C9	600	μf ±10%	COM-30B		SO1	SOCKET		CDMS-1401-4
	R25	390	±10%, 1w	REW-4C		C10	7-45μf		COT-12	TUBES				
	R26	620	± 5%, 1w	REW-4C		C11	7-45μf		COT-12	V1	6SL7-GT	V6	6W6-GT	
	R27	2.2	k ± 10%, 1w	REW-4C		C12	1206μf }		COA-23-2	V2	6V6-GT	V7	6W6-GT	
	R28	240	± 5%, 1/2w	REW-3C		C13	1206μf }		COM-20B	V3	6AK6	V8	6SL7-GT	
	R29	240	± 5%, 1/2w	REW-3C		C14	(NOTE D)		COM-20B	V4	6J5-GT	V9	0D3	
	R30	15	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C15	400 μf ±10%		COM-20B	V5	6F6	V10	5V4-G	
	R31	100	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C16	20	450dcwv	Part of COEB-200					
	R32	560	k ± 10%, 1w	REC-30BF		C17	2.0	±10%	COL-15					
	R33	10	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C18	0.05	±10%	COM-50B					
	R34	10	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C19	120	50dcwv	Part of COEB-200					
	R35	470	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C20	125	300dcwv	COE-202					
	R36	27	k ± 10%, 2w	REC-41BF		C21	100	25dcwv	COE-203					
	R37	680	k ± 10%, 1w	REC-30BF		C22	20	450dcwv	COE-200					
	R38	10	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C23	20	450dcwv	COE-5					
	R39	2.2	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C24	5	±10%	COL-9					
	R40	500	±10%	POSW-3		C25	20	450dcwv	COE-200					
	R41	15	±10%, 1/2w	REW-3C		C26	20	450dcwv	Part of COEB-200					
	R42	1	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF		C27	150μf	±10%	COM-20B					
	R43	10	k ± 10%, 1/2w	REC-20BF										
	R45	56	±10%, 1/2w	REW-3C										
	R46	56	±10%, 1/2w	REW-3C										
	R101	11.50	M ± 1%, 5w	REF-1-4										
	R102	1.0	M ± 20%	POSC-11										

### NOTES

(A) General Radio Part No. designations for resistors and capacitors are as follows:

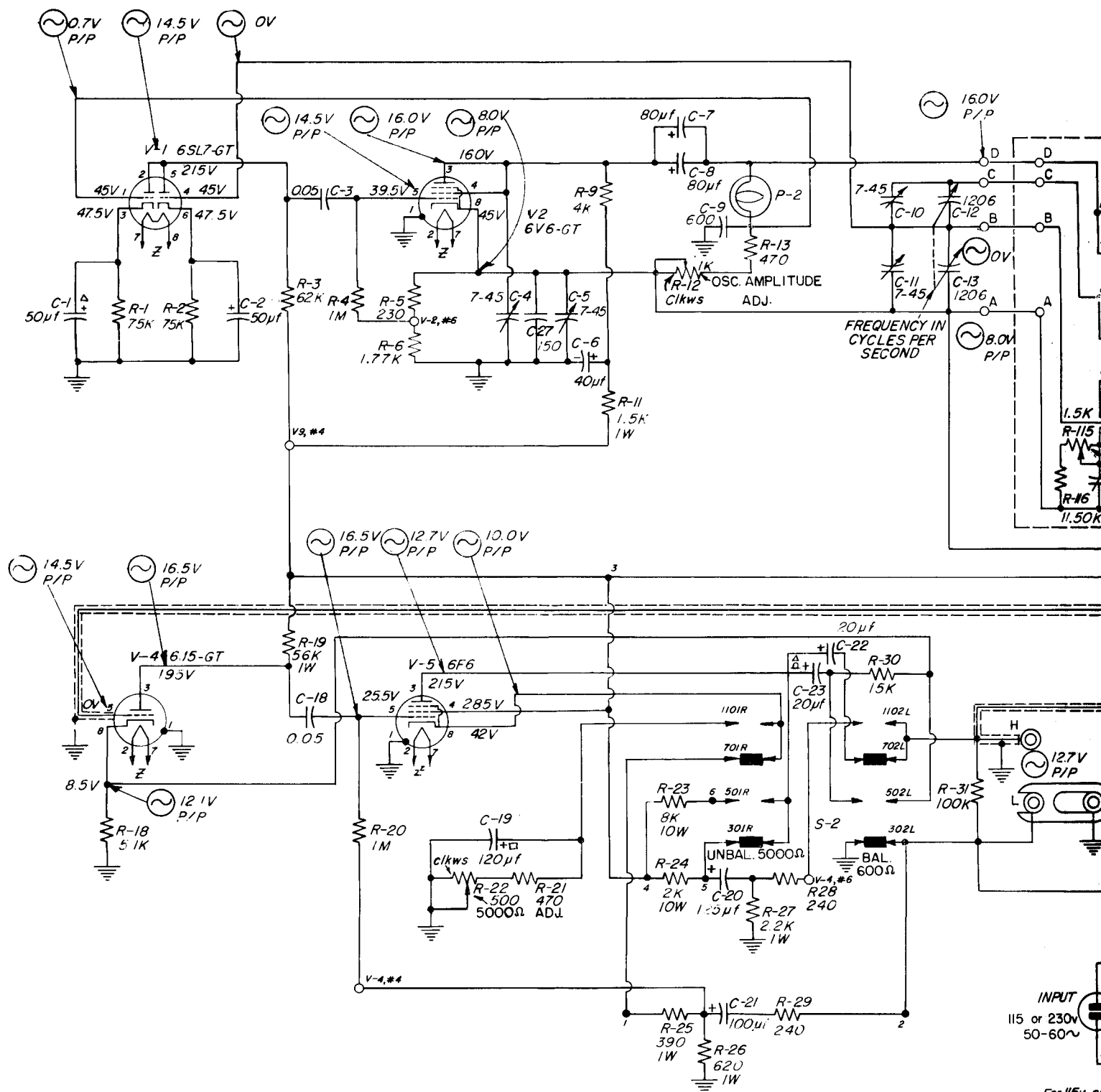
COA - Capacitor, air  
COE - Capacitor, electrolytic  
COEB - Capacitor, electrolytic block  
COL - Capacitor, oil  
COM - Capacitor, mica  
COT - Capacitor, trimmer  
POSC - Potentiometer, composition  
POSW - Potentiometer, wire-wound  
REC - Resistor, composition

REF - Resistor, film  
REPO - Resistor, power  
REPR - Resistor, precision  
REW - Resistor, wire-wound

(B) Resistances are in ohms, unless otherwise indicated by k (kil-ohms) or M (megohms).

(C) Capacitances are in microfarads, unless otherwise indicated by μf (micromicrofarads).

(D) Value determined in General Radio laboratory.



CONDITIONS FOR VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

- A. 1302-A SET FOR 1kc, BAL. 600 $\Omega$ , MAX OUTPUT
- B. LINE AT 115V
- C. ALL DC VOLTAGES MEASURED WITH RESPECT TO GROUND WITH A VTVM
- D. ALL SIGNAL VOLTAGES MEASURED PEAK-TO-PEAK WITH A CRO

INPUT  
115 or 230v  
50-60~

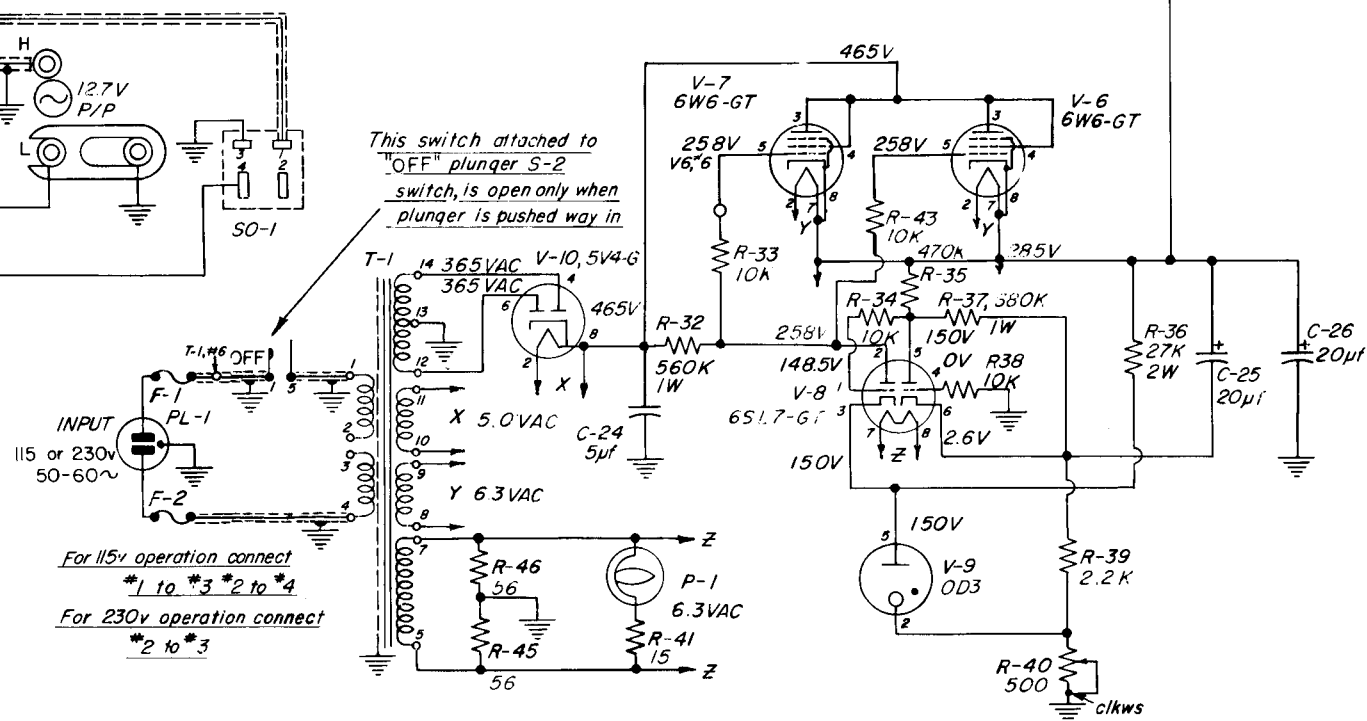
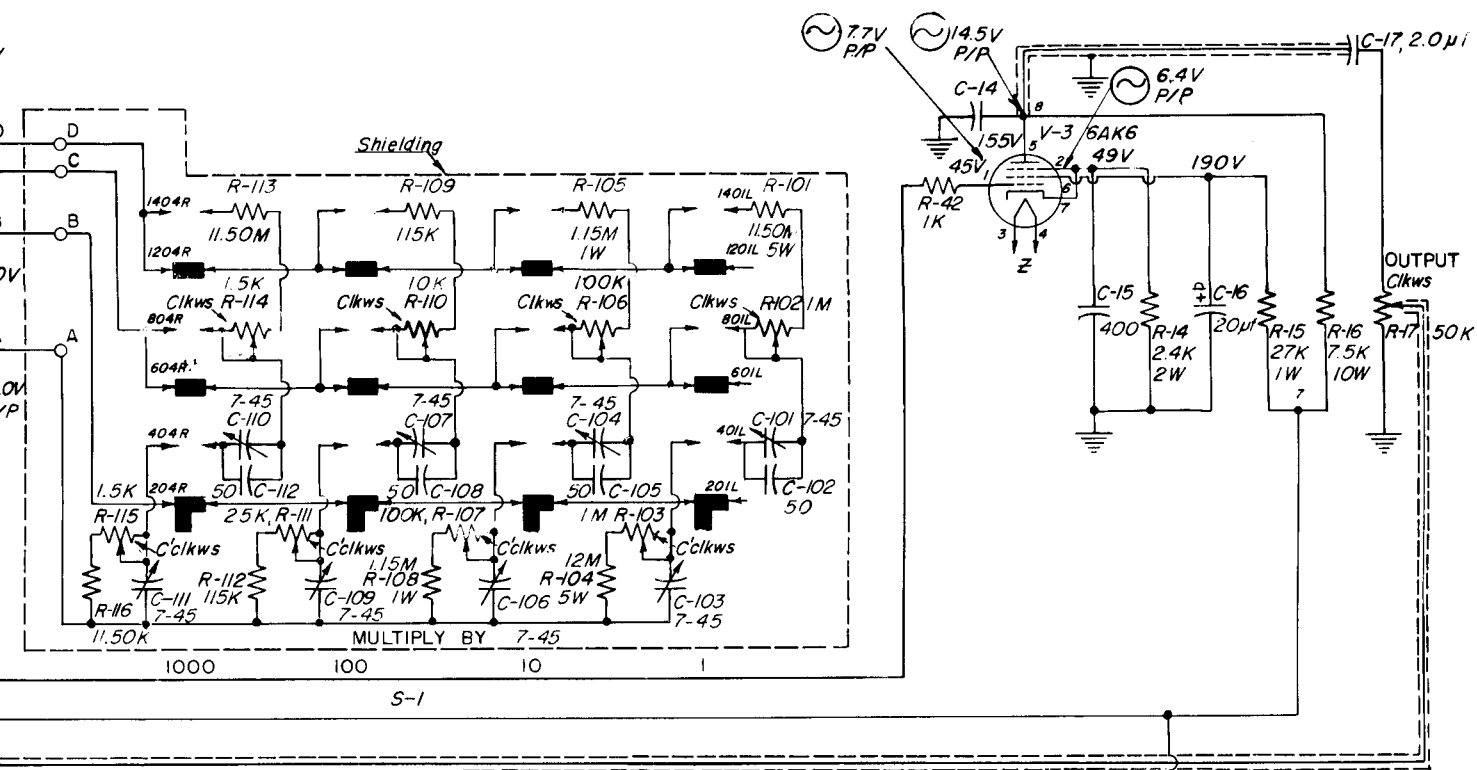
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For 230v

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Figure 6. Detailed Schematic Diagram

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Schematic Diagram.



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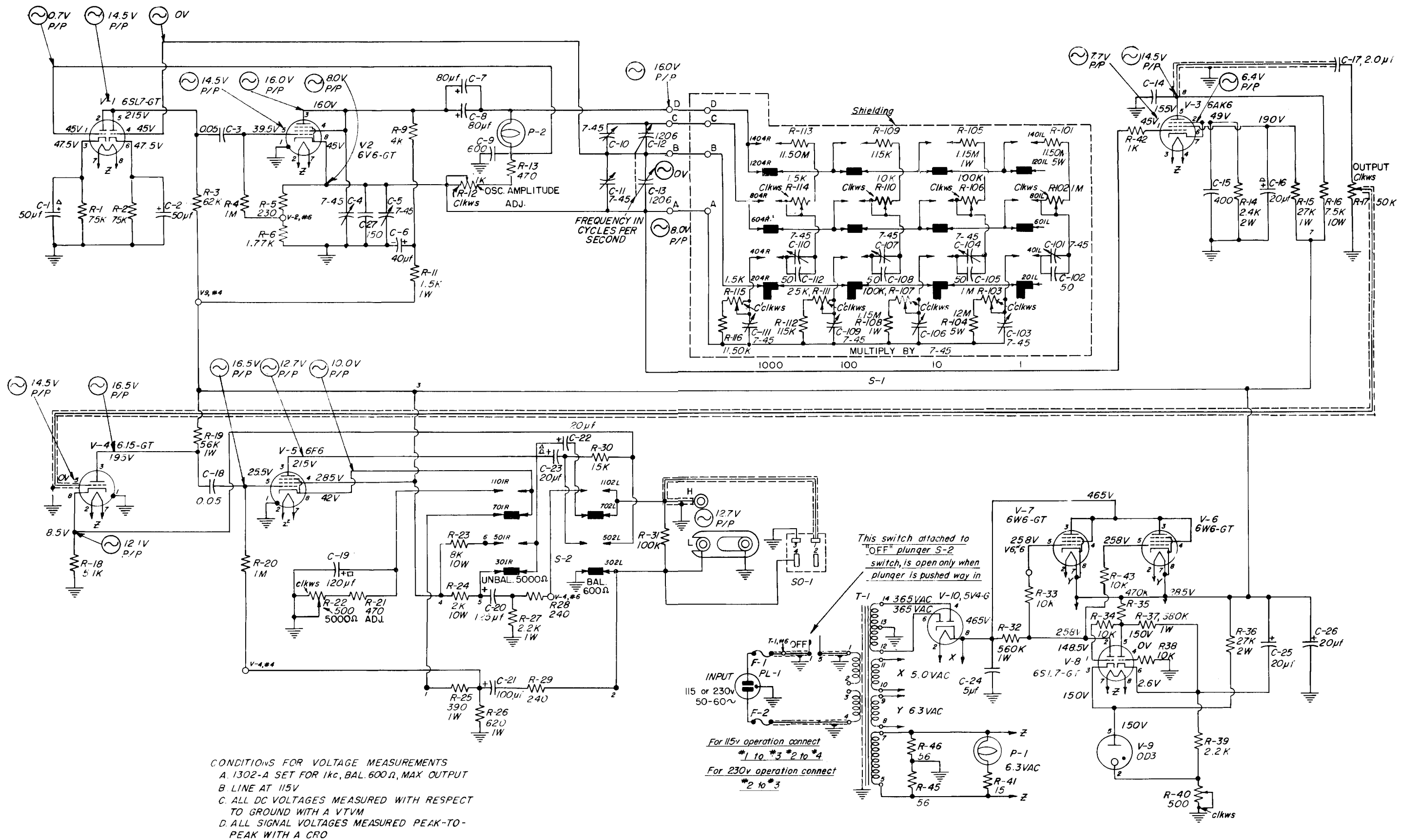


Figure 6. Detailed Schematic Diagram.



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