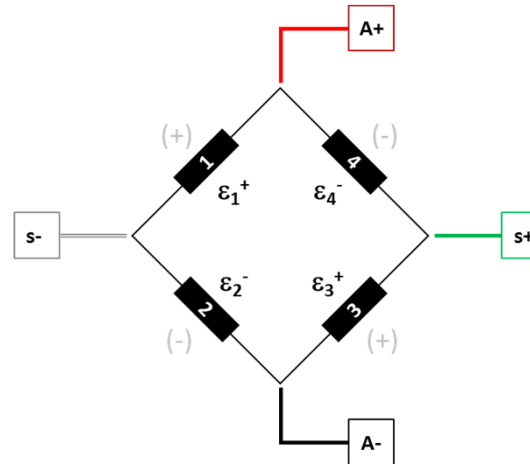


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Optimal power supply voltage computing for a strain gage bridge



Bridge excitation – Computing

- Power supply voltage of a strain gages bridge:

$$U = 2 * \sqrt{R_J * \varphi_J * S_J}$$

With:

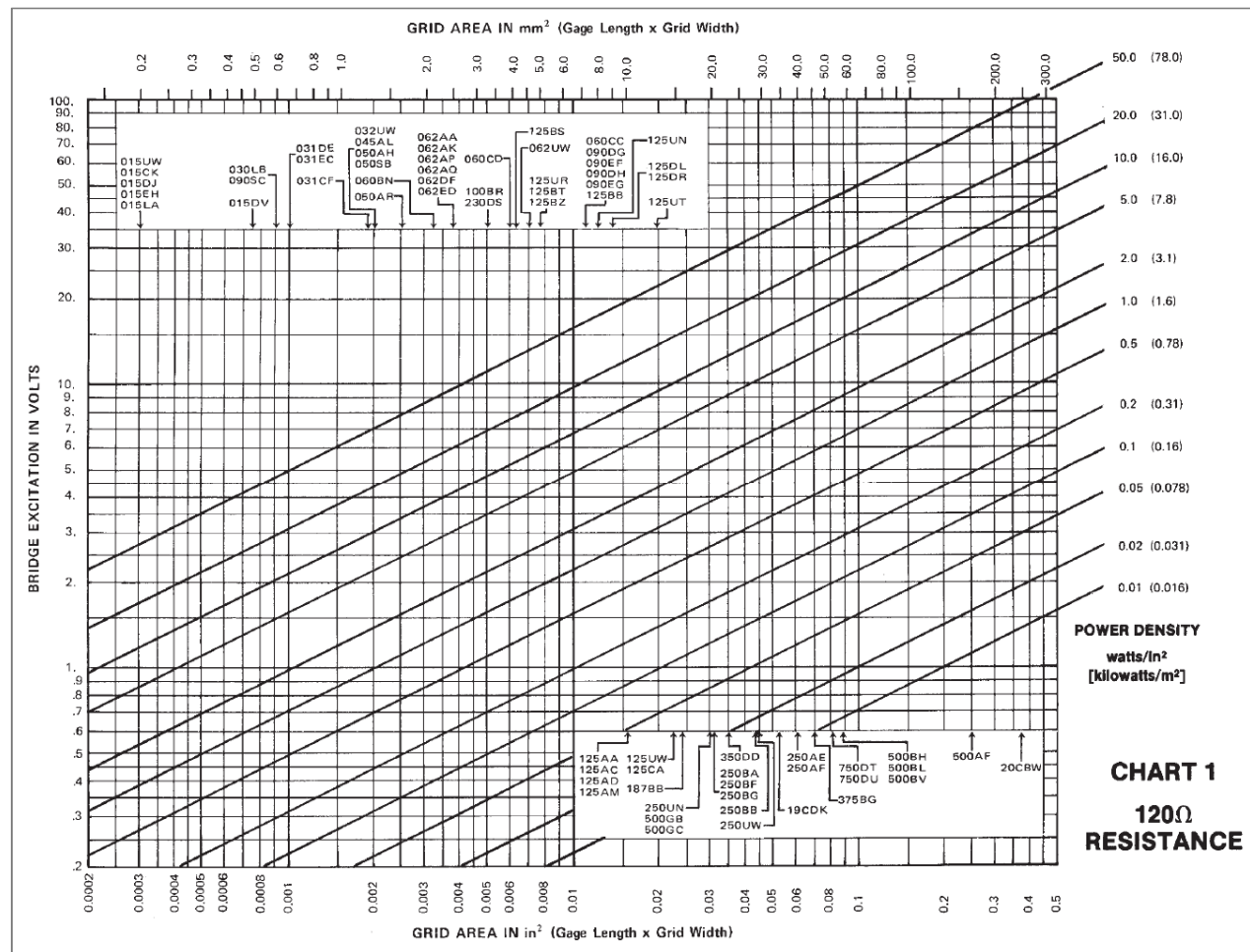
- U:** Bridge power supply voltage [V]
- R_J:** Gage resistance [Ω]
- φ_J:** Heat flow density [W/m²]
- S_J:** Gage grid surface [m²]

Target Stability		φ _J - Heat dissipating power [kW/m ²]				
		EXCELLENT <i>Aluminium épais, pièce en cuivre</i>	GOOD <i>Acier épais</i>	MEDIUM <i>Inox fin, titane</i>	BAD <i>Résine et composite</i>	VERY BAD <i>Acrylique, polystyrène</i>
STATIC	High	3,1-7,8	1,6-3,1	0,78-1,6	0,16-0,31	0,016-0,031
	Medium	7,8-16	3,1-7,8	1,6-3,1	0,31-0,78	0,031-0,078
	Low	16-31	7,8-16	3,1-7,8	0,78-1,6	0,078-0,16
DYNAMIC	High	7,8-16	7,8-16	3,1-7,8	0,78-1,6	0,016-0,078
	Medium	16-31	16-31	7,8-16	1,6-3,1	0,078-0,31
	Low	31-78	31-78	16-31	3,1-7,8	0,31-0,78

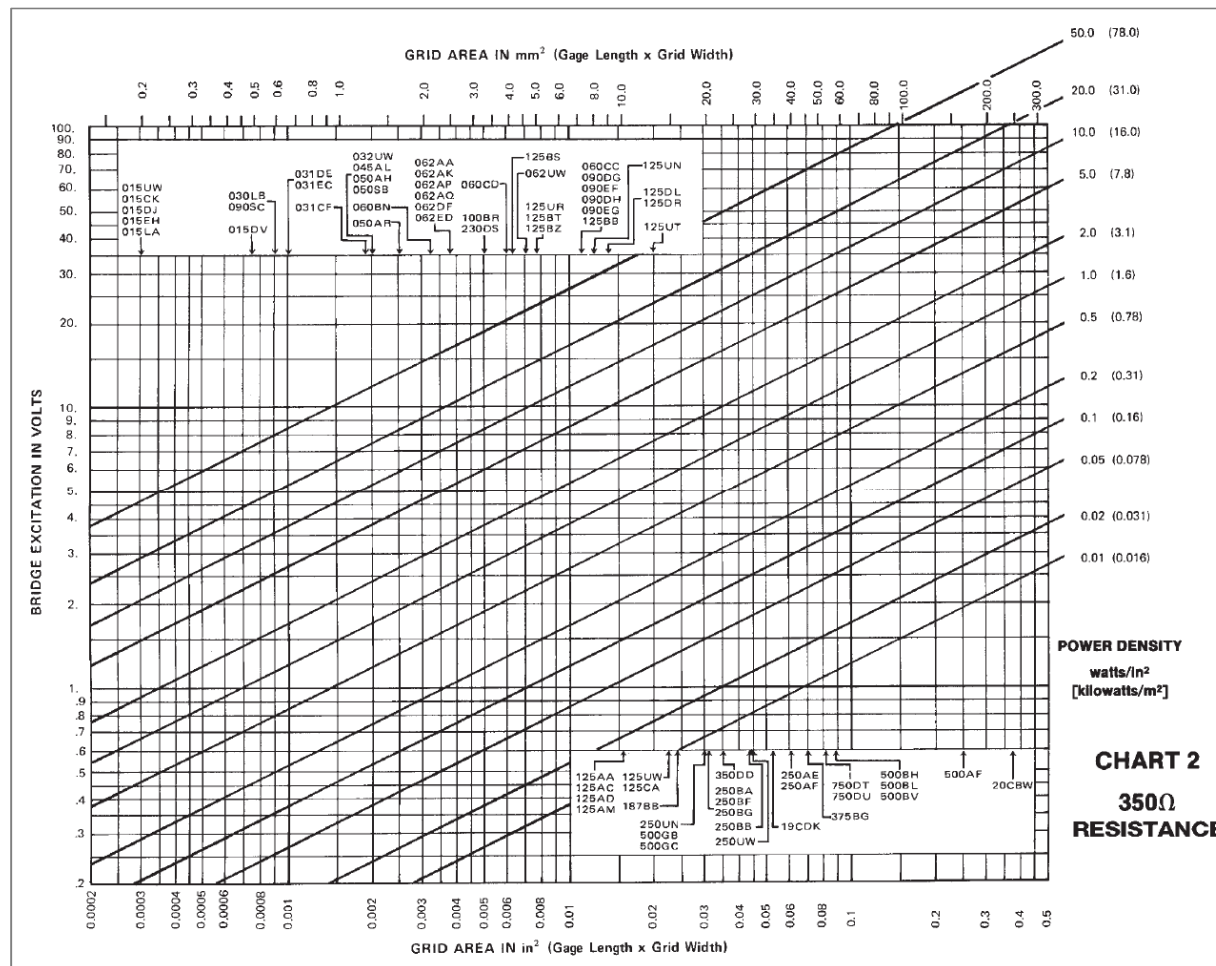


Source: [TN502 – Optimizing Strain Gage Excitation Levels, VISHAY Micromasurements technical notes](#)

Bridge excitation – 120 Ω gage



Bridge excitation – 350 Ω gage



Bridge excitation – 1000 Ω gage

