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1967), which is a very good physico-mathematical text on classical hydrodynamics. R. S. Brodkey's *The Phenomena of Fluid Motions* (Addison-Wesley, 1967) can supply some of the qualitative or graphic sense, and the recent text on turbulent flow by H. Tennekes and J. L. Lumley *A First Course in Turbulence*, (MIT, 1972) might be used to round out that topic.

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Complex Permittivity: Theory and Measurement

B. K. P. Scaife, ed. 170 pp. English Universities Press, London, UK, 1971. £3.45

The three long chapters in this book are devoted to a discussion of the theory of dispersion in polar dielectrics by B. K. P. Scaife, a survey of the effects of pressure on dielectric properties by W. G. S. Scaife, and a review of the methods for measuring complex permittivity by R. G. Bennett and J. H. Calderwood.

The theoretical chapter is a development and extension of what might be called the Fröhlich approach, to which the author has made numerous contributions. This is a useful, purely classical discussion of fluctuation theory and of diffusion and inertial models, but in his approach the author presents correlation-function theory macroscopically with no account of R. Kubo's treatment or developments of it and makes no mention of calculations of these functions for various models by Roy Gordon and others. R. W. Zwanzig's results on effects of dipole-dipole coupling are used to point up difficulties with attempts to generalize Onsager's equation for the static permittivity to the time-dependent case, but neither the model nor its development are adequately described.

The chapter on pressure effects is a survey of experimental techniques and results for nonpolar gases, nonpolar and polar liquids, ionic crystals, polymers, ferroelectric crystals and ice, principally for static permittivity and relaxation at audio and radio frequencies. The account is quite comprehensive and a useful guide to the literature, except that it was presumably written before a considerable body of recent work on dielectric virial coefficients and far infrared absorption in gases was published.

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Proceedings of the International Conference on Few Particle Problems in Nuclear Interaction, Los Angeles, August, 1972.

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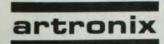
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measurements. It might be characterized as a fairly brief updating of such old standbys as the books by B. Hague and L. Hartshorn. An experimentalist in search of a method to suit his needs will find useful information, but there are deficiencies in the coverage. As examples, the discussion of transformer bridges hardly does justice to their capabilities at present, the use of "active" circuit elements is suggested only by a special case, and there is no mention of recent developments in timedomain reflectometry and other transient methods. The authors can be more easily forgiven their omission of millimeter-wave and far-infrared techniques as lying beyond their chosen frequency or time range.

There is good material in this book, which should be useful to both present and prospective workers interested in dielectric theory and measurements. The principal shortcomings are ones of omission, which is not too surprising when the amount of material covered in 170 pages is considered.

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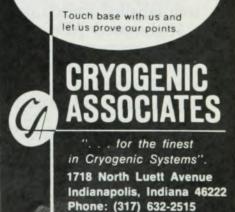
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