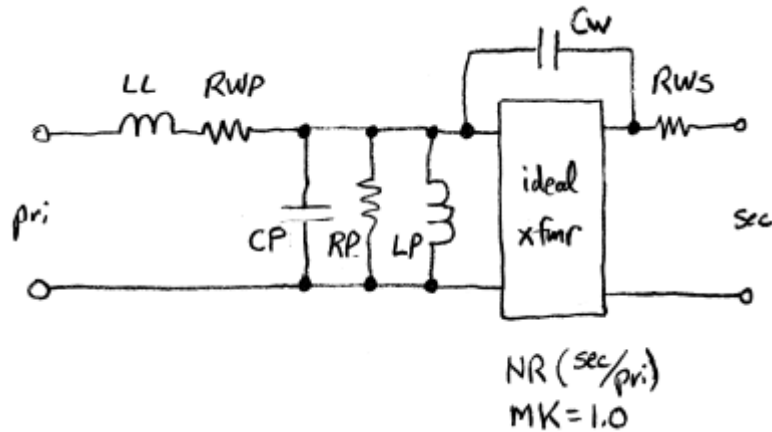


# SPICE RF Transformer Modeling

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1. Measure RWP and RWS with a DC ohmmeter.
2. Short the secondary and assume that this shorts the primary shunt elements through the ideal transformer. Measure  $Z_{pri}$  at low-mid frequency and determine LL from measured  $X_{pri}$ .
3. Open the secondary and assume no load on the primary shunt elements. Measure  $Z_{pri}$  across the modeling frequency range and plot  $RP = \text{the real part of } Z_{pri}$ . This will generally be a nonlinear function of frequency due to core loss and skin effect and can be modeled with a behavioral current source, using Laplace or table data. This is done by making the current through the source dependent on the voltage across the source. This dependency will be an expression which causes RP to follow the measured curve.
4. Can measure LP directly at low frequency if X is adequate and the impedance angle is appx  $+90^\circ$ . Then CP can be calculated from the self-resonant frequency (SRF) by noting that at the SRF  $X_{LP} = X_{CP}$ . Otherwise, measure admittance  $Y_1 < \text{SRF}$  and  $Y_2 > \text{SRF}$  and solve for LP and CP simultaneously.
5. Short the primary leads together and the secondary leads together, and measure CW between them directly.