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ECE 311 HW#2 (Solutions)

(2.5) Use the R' , L' , G' , C' parameters from HW#1 solutions
(available online on course webpage)

$$R' = 0.788 \Omega/m$$

$$L' = 139 \text{ nH}/m$$

$$G' = 9.1 \text{ mS}/m$$

$$C' = 36.1 \text{ pF}/m$$

$$\omega = 1 \text{ GHz} \times 2\pi$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{(R' + j\omega L')(G' + j\omega C')} = 0.287 + j14.08$$

$$\alpha = \text{Re}\{\gamma\} = 0.287 \text{ nepers}/m$$

$$\beta = \text{Im}\{\gamma\} = 14.08 \text{ rad}/m$$

$$u_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = 4.46 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

This exceeds the speed of light!
This means my calculations for
 L' , R' , G' , C' are suspect. I
think it's L' that is wrong.
My $L' < \mu_0$, I don't think is possible.
It's ok if you use my wrong
numbers as inputs. Anyway...

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'}} = (62 + 1.2j) \Omega$$

(2.6) Compute the parameters α , β and Z_0 for a distortionless line, which satisfies $R'C' = L'G'$.

a) Compute α , β

Note that if $R'C' = L'G'$, then $\frac{R'}{L'} = \frac{G'}{C'}$. Denote this ratio as "K". Use the following formula for γ^2 :

$$\gamma^2 = (R' + j\omega L')(G' + j\omega C')$$

$$\gamma^2 = L' \left(\frac{R'}{L'} + j\omega \right) C' \left(\frac{G'}{C'} + j\omega \right) = L'C' (K + j\omega)(K + j\omega)$$

Easy to take the square root of this:

$$\gamma = (K + j\omega) \sqrt{L'C'} = K \sqrt{L'C'} + j\omega \sqrt{L'C'}$$

Now, separate the real and imaginary parts. By def., $\alpha = \text{Re}\{\gamma\}$

$$\alpha = K \sqrt{L'C'} = \sqrt{K^2 L'C'} = \sqrt{K \cdot L' \cdot K \cdot C'}$$

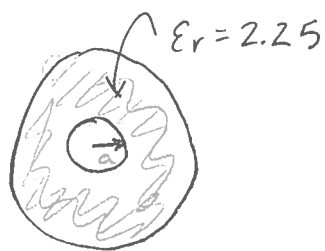
$$\beta = \text{Im}\{\gamma\}$$

$$= \sqrt{\underbrace{\frac{R'}{L'} \cdot L'}_{K = R'/L'} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{G'}{C'} \cdot C'}_{K = G'/C'}} = \sqrt{R' \cdot G'}$$

b) Compute Z_0 - use the same trick

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'}} = \sqrt{\frac{(\frac{R'}{L'} + j\omega) L'}{(\frac{G'}{C'} + j\omega) C'}} = \sqrt{\frac{(K + j\omega) L'}{(K + j\omega) C'}} = \sqrt{\frac{L'}{C'}}$$

(2.11) Lossless coaxial line, $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$, $a = \text{inner radius} = 1.2 \text{ mm}$



(a) Find the radius of the outer conductor
From Table 2-2, page 55:

$$Z_0 = \left(\frac{60}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \right) \ln(b/a) \quad \leftarrow \text{solve for } b.$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{Z_0 \cdot \sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{60 \Omega}\right) \cdot a = b \quad \leftarrow \text{Substitute known parameters}$$

$$4.19 \text{ mm} = b$$

(b) Find the phase velocity of the line:

$$u_p = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = \frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{2.25}} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} \quad (2/3 \times c)$$

(2.9) Transmission line - general case - find R', L', C', G'

$$\omega = 125 \text{ MHz} \times 2\pi$$

$$Z_0 = 40 \Omega$$

$$\alpha = 0.02 \text{ Np/m}$$

$$\beta = 0.75 \text{ rad/m}$$

} these give us γ
(complex propag. const)

What do we know?

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'}} \quad \text{OR} \quad Z_0^2 = \left(\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'} \right)$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{(R' + j\omega L')(G' + j\omega C')} \quad \text{OR} \quad \gamma^2 = (R' + j\omega L')(G' + j\omega C')$$

Define $K_1 := (R' + j\omega L')$ and $K_2 := (G' + j\omega C')$. Then we have:

$$Z_0^2 = \frac{K_1}{K_2}$$

$$\gamma^2 = K_1 \cdot K_2$$

Next
solve this
2 eq. 2 unk.
system for
 K_1 & K_2

$$Z_0^2 \cdot \gamma^2 = \left(\frac{K_1}{K_2} \right) K_1 K_2$$

$$= K_1^2$$

$$\gamma^2 / Z_0^2 = \frac{K_1 K_2}{(K_1 / K_2)} = K_2^2$$

So now we have:

$$Z_0^2 \cdot \gamma^2 = K_1^2$$

OR

$$Z_0 \cdot \gamma = K_1$$

Now we can compute
 K_1 and K_2 .

$$\gamma^2 / Z_0^2 = K_2^2$$

OR

$$\gamma / Z_0 = K_2$$

$$K_1 = Z_0 \cdot \gamma = 40 \Omega \times (0.02 + 0.75j) = 0.8 + j30$$

$$K_2 = \gamma / Z_0 = \frac{(0.02 + j0.75)}{40 \Omega} = 5 \times 10^{-3} + 1.875 \times 10^{-2}j$$

Use these values, and the operating frequency, to deduce R'L'C

$$K_1 = R' + j\omega L' = 0.8 + j30$$

\uparrow match real parts \uparrow match imag. parts

$$\therefore R' = 0.8 \Omega / m$$

$$\omega L' = 30 \quad (\omega = 125 \text{ MHz})$$

$$L' = \frac{30}{\omega} = 38.2 \text{ nH/m}$$

$$K_2 = G' + j\omega C' = 5 \times 10^{-3} + j1.875 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\therefore G' = 5 \text{ mS/m}$$

$$\omega C' = 1.875 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$C' = 23.9 \text{ pF/m}$$

2.15) Given a load $Z_L = (25 - j50) \Omega$, find a characteristic impedance Z_0 that minimizes the standing wave ratio. The line must be lossless (Z_0 purely-real).

VSWR and $\tilde{\Gamma}$ are both functions of Z_0

$$|SWR(Z_0)| = \frac{1 + |\tilde{\Gamma}(Z_0)|}{1 - |\tilde{\Gamma}(Z_0)|} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}(Z_0)\tilde{\Gamma}^*(Z_0)}}{1 - \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}(Z_0)\tilde{\Gamma}^*(Z_0)}} \quad \leftarrow \text{minimize this function}$$

here

$$\tilde{\Gamma}(Z_0) = \frac{\tilde{Z}_L - Z_0}{\tilde{Z}_L + Z_0} = \frac{(25 - Z_0) - j50}{(25 + Z_0) - j50}$$

Similarly, the conjugate is just:

$$\tilde{\Gamma}^*(Z_0) = \frac{(25 - Z_0) + j50}{(25 + Z_0) + j50}$$

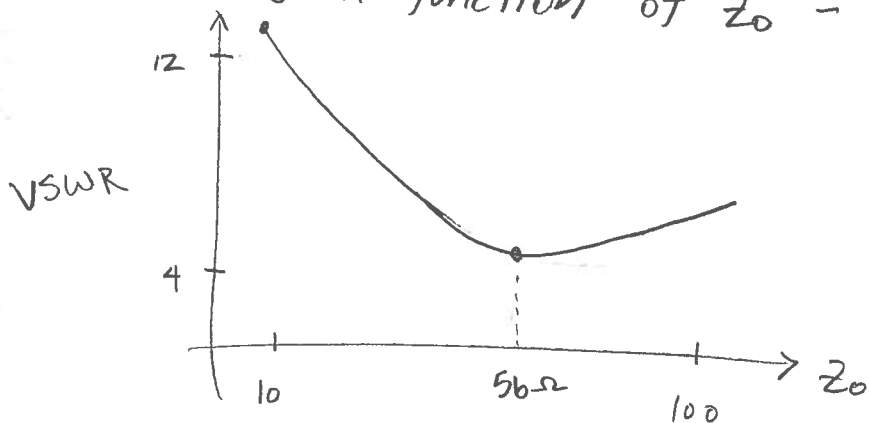
$$\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^* = \frac{[(25 - Z_0) - j50][(25 - Z_0) + j50]}{[(25 + Z_0) - j50][(25 + Z_0) + j50]} = \frac{(25 - Z_0)^2 + 2500}{(25 + Z_0)^2 + 2500}$$

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Substitute this into the VSWR equation

$$VSWR(z_0) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}}{1 - \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{\frac{(25-z_0)^2 + 2500}{(25+z_0)^2 + 2500}}}{1 - \sqrt{\frac{(25-z_0)^2 + 2500}{(25+z_0)^2 + 2500}}}$$

Plot VSWR as a function of z_0 - graphical calc. or matlab



Graphical solution
(which is sufficient for me)
yields $z_0 \cong 56$
 $VSWR \cong 4.24$

If you really want an exact answer, recognize that the function $VSWR = \frac{1 + \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}}{1 - \sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}}$ is minimized when $\sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}$ is

minimized. This is intuitive - small $|\tilde{\Gamma}|$ yields small VSWR. Furthermore, $\sqrt{\quad}$ is monotonic, so $\sqrt{\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*}$ is min'ed when $\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*$ is min'ed...

$$\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^* = \frac{(25-z_0)^2 + 2500}{(25+z_0)^2 + 2500}$$

differentiate via quotient rule

↳ CALC I - function minimized when the derivative is zero (and the function is concave-up - but we already know that's true from the picture)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z_0} [\tilde{\Gamma}\tilde{\Gamma}^*] = \frac{[(25+z_0)^2 + 2500][-2(25-z_0)] - [(25-z_0)^2 + 2500][2(25+z_0)]}{[(25+z_0)^2 + 2500]^2} = 0$$

Set this to zero... just the numerator is relevant.

$$[(25+z_0)^2 + 2500][-2(25-z_0)] - [(25-z_0)^2 + 2500][2(25+z_0)] = 0$$

↳ algebra is fun! ↷

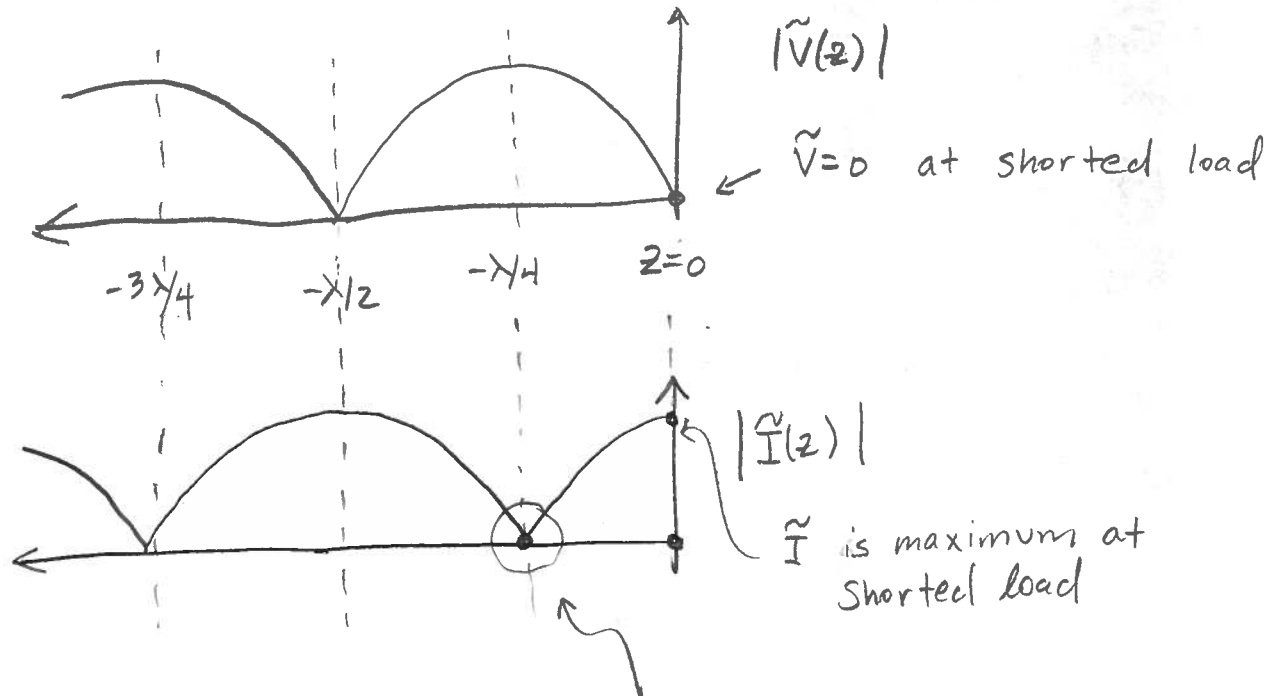
$$z_0 = \sqrt{3125} \Omega \cong 55.9 \Omega$$

$$100 z_0^2 - 312,500 = 0 \rightarrow$$

(and then $VSWR = 4.236 \dots$)

2.25) A line is terminated with a short - how long should the line be to appear as an open?

We discussed this concept in class - recall the voltage and current distributions for the shorted line.



Note at $z=-\lambda/4$, the current is zero. This exactly how an open circuit behaves. Thus, the line should be $\lambda/4$.

Another way to see this is to use the impedance formula we learned on Mon 10/11 ..

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{Z}_{in}(-l) &= Z_0 \cdot \frac{Z_L + jZ_0 \tan(\beta l)}{Z_0 + jZ_L \tan(\beta l)} \xrightarrow{\substack{\tilde{Z}_L=0 \\ \text{(short)}}} = Z_0 \cdot \frac{jZ_0 \tan(\beta l)}{Z_0} \\ &= jZ_0 \tan(\beta l) \end{aligned}$$

As βl approaches $\pi/2$, this $\tan(\beta l)$ terms grows without bound, realizing infinite impedance (an open circuit). Set $\beta l = \pi/2$...

$$\beta l = \pi/2 \rightarrow \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right) l = \pi/2 \rightarrow l = \lambda/4$$

solve for l

