

**ECEN452: ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY TECHNIQUE**  
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**REFERENCE:**

**Microwave Engineering 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, David M. Pozar**

**Task 1: Synthesis and implementation of a maximally-flat low-pass filter.**

**GIVEN:**

Characteristic Impedance = 50 ohm  
Thickness of substrate = 62 mil = 1.5748 mm  
Dielectric constant of substrate = 4.1  
Loss tangent of substrate = 0.01  
Center Frequency = 2.5GHz  
Minimum attenuation of 10dB at 3.25GHz

**Background:**

The insertion loss allows a high degree of control over the passband and stopband amplitude and the phase characteristics, with a systematic way to synthesize a desired response. Chebyshev response would satisfy a requirement for the sharpest cutoff. Chebyshev polynomials are useful in approximation. Maximally-flat is a characteristic that is also known as the binomial or Butterworth response, and is optimum in the sense that it provides the flattest possible point in the passband response for a given filter complexity, or order.

Load resistance will be normalized as 1 in maximally flat case whereas non-unity load resistance will be presented in equi-ripple filters with even N order.

**The power loss ratio is given:**

$$P_{LR} = \frac{\text{Power available from source}}{\text{Power delivered to load}} = \frac{P_{inc}}{P_{load}} = \frac{1}{1 - |\Gamma(\omega)|^2}.$$

Now, we obtain the power loss ratio expression for the maximally flat response:

$$P_{LR} = 1 + k^2 \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_c} \right)^{2N}$$

**CALCULATION:**

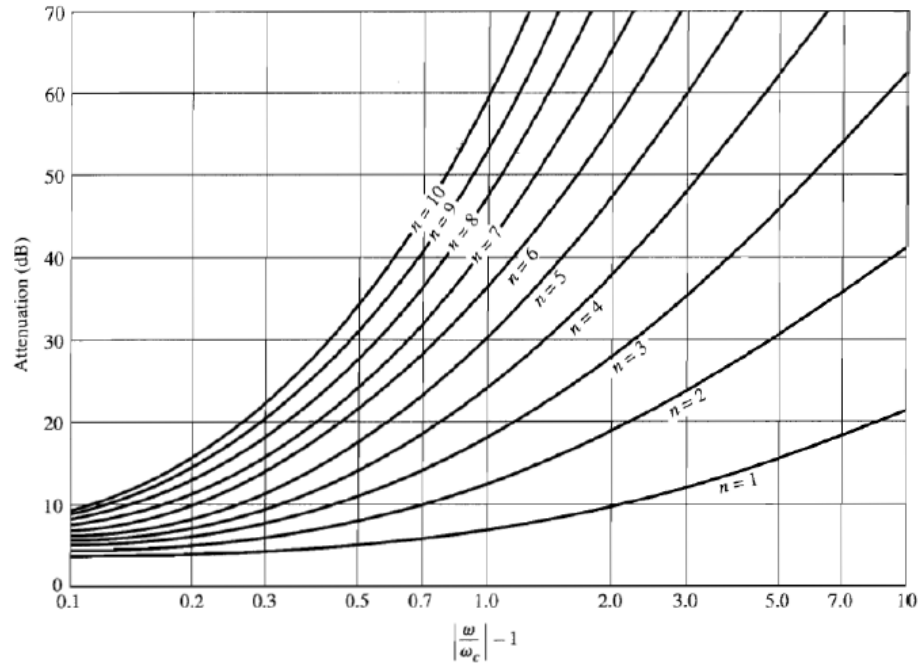


Figure. Attenuation [dB] in terms of frequency

$$\left| \frac{\omega}{\omega_c} \right| - 1 = \left| \frac{f_{10dB}}{f_c} \right| - 1 = 0.3$$

It seems N=4 curve doesn't really meet the point so we need the above curve (about 11dB, which is better) N=5 curve will do fine.

**Step 2:** Next, use the table on the following page to determine the filter coefficients for the (hint: five-element) low-pass prototype.

Element Values for Butterworth (Maximally Flat) Low-Pass Filter Prototypes  
( $g_0=1, \omega_c=1, N=1$  to 10)

$N$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$	$g_7$	$g_8$	$g_9$	$g_{10}$	$g_{11}$
1	2.0000	1.0000									
2	1.4142	1.4142	1.0000								
3	1.0000	2.0000	1.0000	1.0000							
4	0.7654	1.8478	1.8478	0.7654	1.0000						
5	0.6180	1.6180	2.0000	1.6180	0.6180	1.0000					
6	0.5176	1.4142	1.9318	1.9318	1.4142	0.5176	1.0000				
7	0.4450	1.2470	1.8019	2.0000	1.8019	1.2470	0.4450	1.0000			
8	0.3902	1.1111	1.6629	1.9615	1.9615	1.6629	1.1111	0.3902	1.0000		
9	0.3473	1.0000	1.5321	1.8794	2.0000	1.8794	1.5321	1.0000	0.3473	1.0000	
10	0.3129	0.9080	1.4142	1.7820	1.9754	1.9754	1.7820	1.4142	0.9080	0.3129	1.0000

Figure

For N=5,

$$g_1 = 0.6180$$

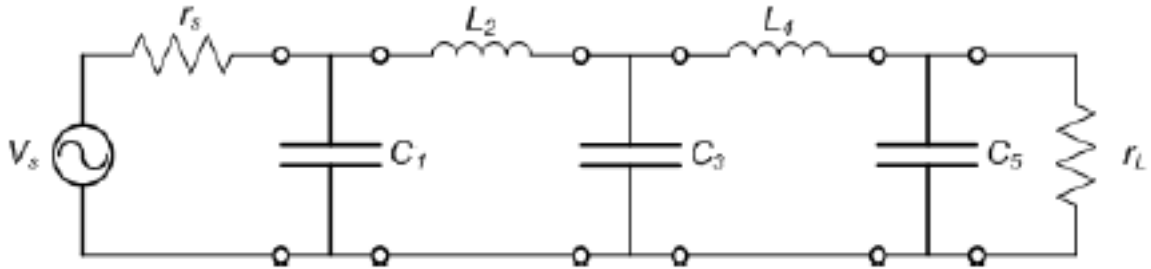
$$g_2 = 1.6180$$

$$g_3 = 2.0000$$

$$g_4 = 1.6180$$

$$g_5 = 0.6180$$

$$g_6 = 1.0000$$



Figure

Shunt C g1 0.61803	Series L g2 1.61803	Shunt C g3 2.00000	Series L g4 1.61803	Shunt C g5 0.61803
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Figure

Shunt OC z1=1/g1 1.61804	Series SC z2=g2 1.61803	Shunt OC z3=1/g3 0.50000	Series SC z4=g4 1.61803	Shunt OC z5=1/g5 1.61804
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Figure

Note that these values are normalized with the reference impedance  $Z_0$

What we aim here is that we want to make all the elements in shunt; however, it requires multi-steps of calculations to achieve. The idea here is that we just add unit element and use it as a tool used in Kuroda's identity. After a couple of steps, we will be ended up with all elements in shunt.

Shunt OC z1'' 3.61804	Unit Element ue3' 1.38196	Shunt OC z2' 0.85410	Unit Element ue1'' 2.23607	Shunt OC z3 0.50000	Unit Element ue2'' 2.23607	Shunt OC z4' 0.85410	Unit Element ue4' 1.38196	Shunt OC z5'' 3.61804
Shunt OC 181 0.125λ	Unit Element 69 0.125λ	Shunt OC 43 0.125λ	Unit Element 112 0.125λ	Shunt OC 25 0.125λ	Unit Element 112 0.125λ	Shunt OC 43 0.125λ	Unit Element 69 0.125λ	Shunt OC 181 0.125λ

Figure

Width of UE1 = 1.761mm (69 ohm)  
Length of UE1 = 8.633mm

Width of UE2 = 0.541mm (112 ohm)

Length of UE2 = 8.892mm

Width of 181 ohm = 0.0858mm

Length of 181 ohm = 9.076mm

Width of 43 ohm = 3.964mm

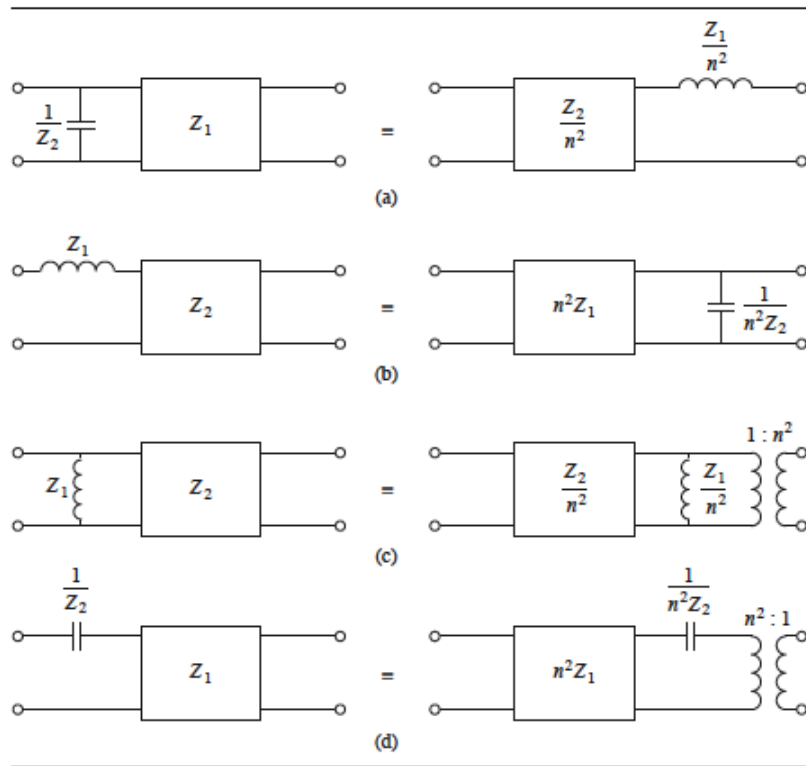
Length of 43 ohm = 8.349mm

Width of 25 ohm = 8.398mm

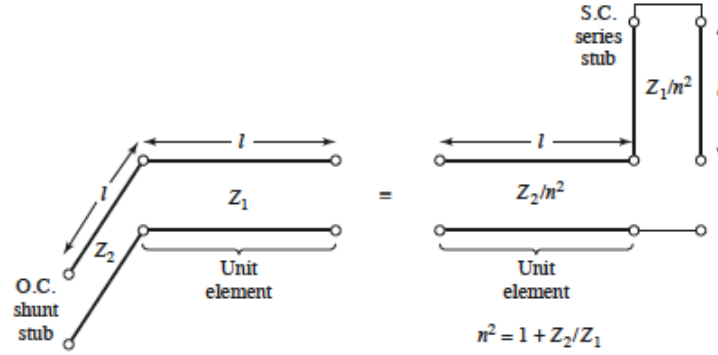
Length of 25 ohm = 8.042mm

Width of 50 ohm = 3.130mm

**TABLE 8.7 The Four Kuroda Identities ( $n^2 = 1 + Z_2/Z_1$ )**



Figure



**FIGURE 8.35** Equivalent circuits illustrating Kuroda identity (a) in Table 8.7.

Figure

Kuroda Identities are used for converting series stubs to shunt stubs whereas Richards Transformation is used for transforming capacitors to open stubs and inductors to short stubs. This is huge advantage because it allows some variation in design.

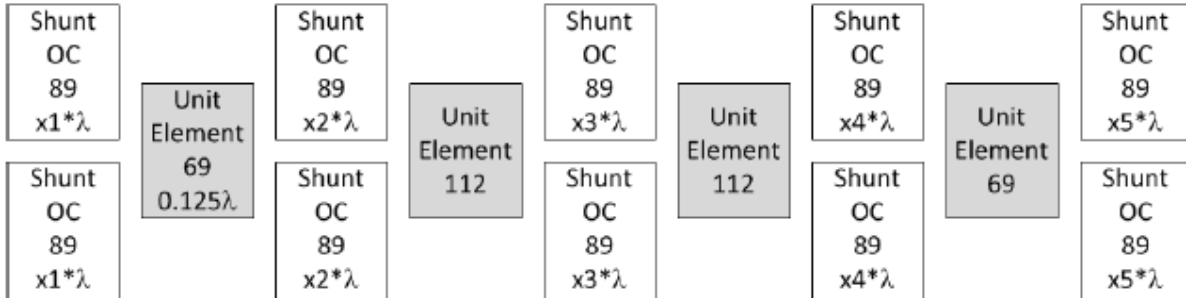


Figure. The final circuit after transformation  
The input impedance of open circuit stub is given by:

$$Z_{OC} = -jZ_0 \cot(\beta l)$$

$$\text{for } \frac{\lambda}{8} \text{ line, } Z_{OC} = -jZ_0$$

since we are interested in easier implementation in practice, we fix the width of stub as 1mm, which corresponds to

$$Z_0 = 89\Omega$$

and the above figure shows 89 ohm stubs are in parallel with that being said,

$$Z_{OC} = Z_0 || Z_0 \cot\left(\frac{2\pi x_n}{\lambda}\right)$$

also we know the following relation

$$\cot^{-1}(y) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(y) \text{ for any } y$$

hence,

$$x_1 = x_5 = 0.038368\lambda = 2.694\text{mm}$$

$$x_2 = x_4 = 0.12773\lambda = 8.968\text{mm}$$

$$x_3 = 0.168536\lambda = 11.833\text{mm}$$

$$\text{with } \lambda = 70.212\text{mm}$$

Now, unit element calculations:

Width of UE1 = 1.761mm (69 ohm)

Width of UE2 = 0.541mm (112 ohm)

Length of UE1 = 8.633mm (69 ohm)

Length of UE2 = 8.892mm (112 ohm)

Width of 50 ohm = 3.13mm

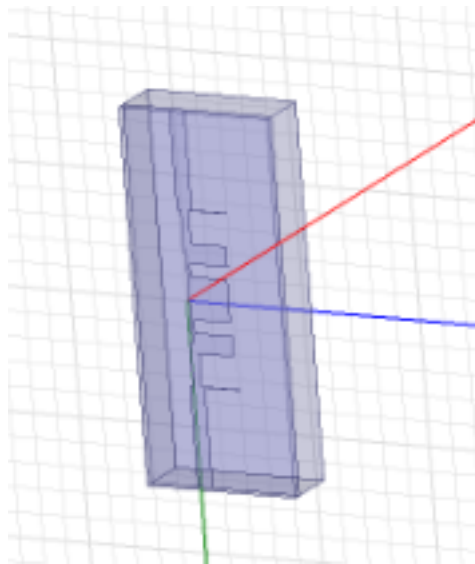


Figure. MaxFlat T line

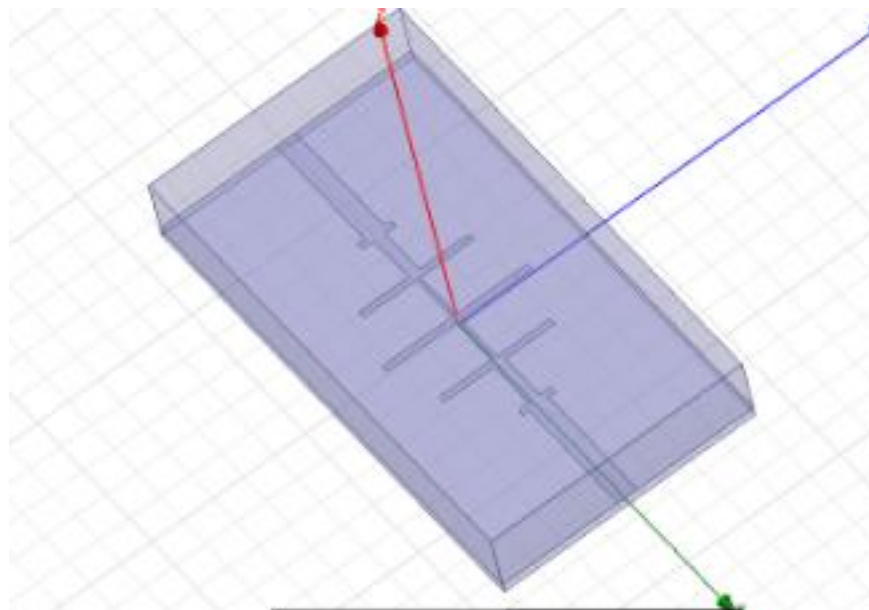
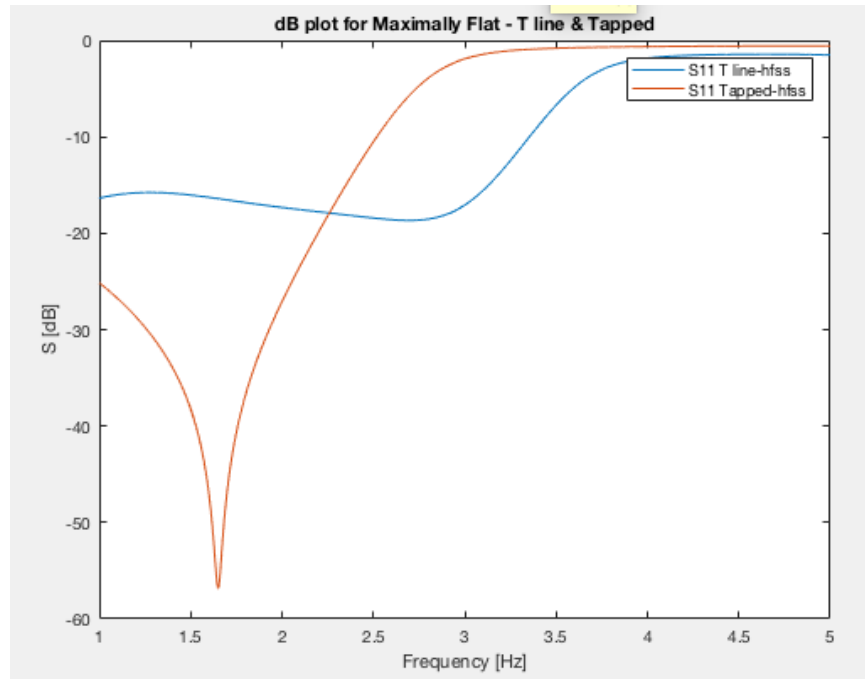
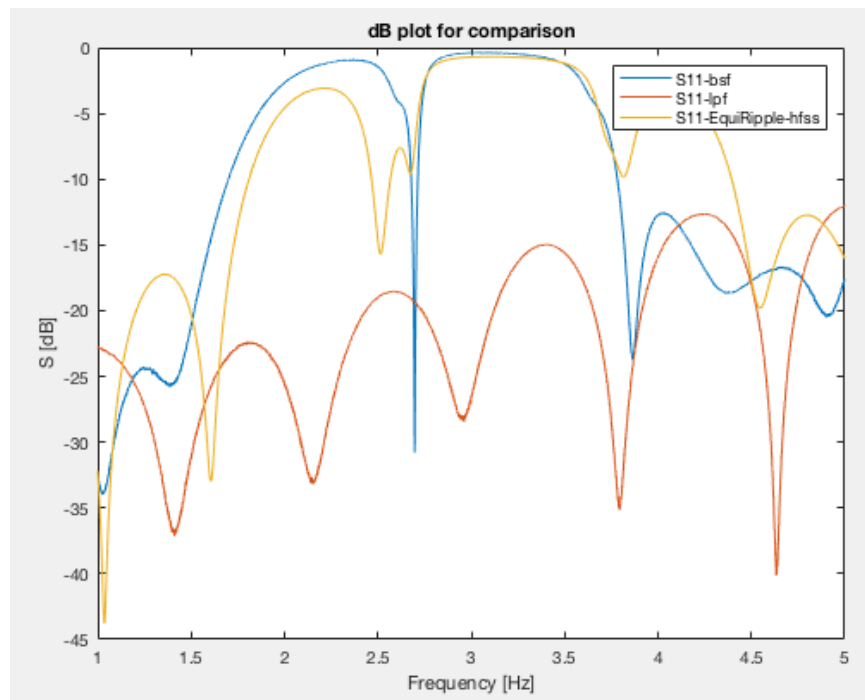


Figure. MaxFlat Tapped

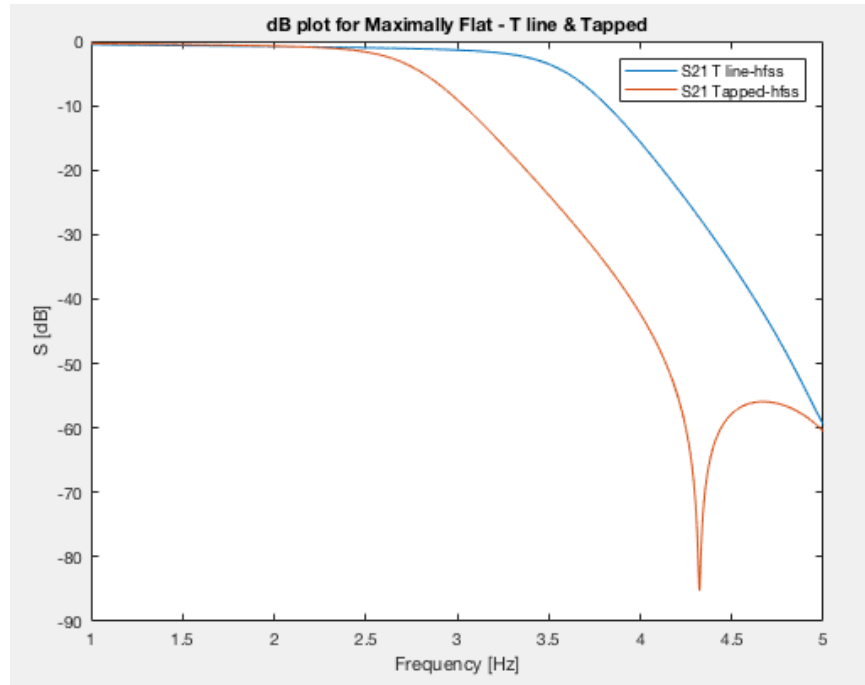


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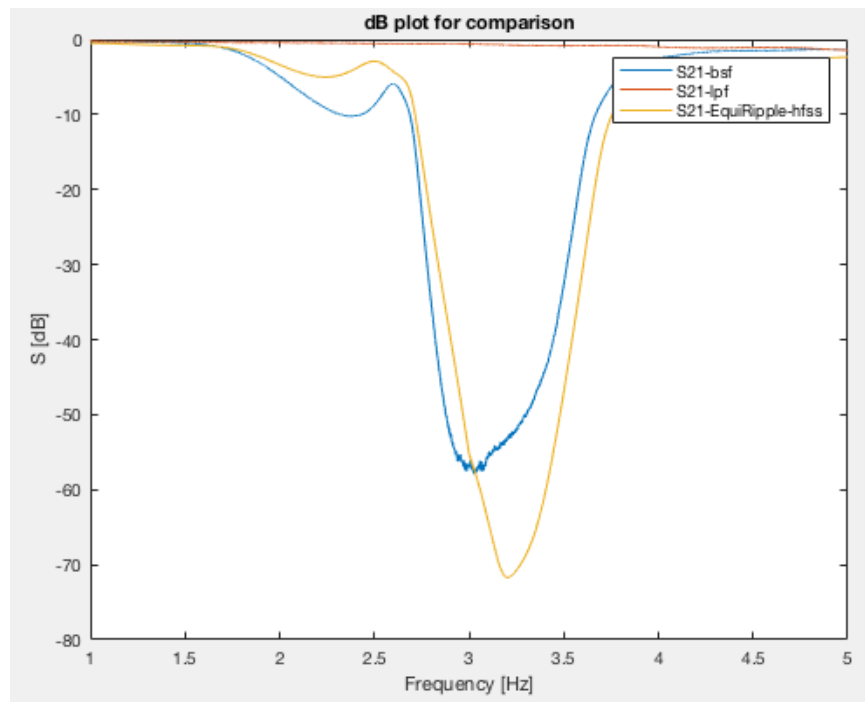


Figure

The band stop filter is not fabulous but I think it is not so bad since it has a range between approximately 2.7GHz and 3.9GHz.



Figure



Figure

HFSS design for Equi-Ripple shows around -60dB at the center frequency.



## Task 2: Synthesis and implementation of an Equi-ripple band-stop filter.

### Given:

Center Frequency = 3 GHz  
Bandwidth of 2.25 GHz to 3.75 GHz  
Microstrip line  
Characteristic Impedance = 50 ohm  
Thickness of substrate = 62 mil = 1.5748 mm  
Dielectric Constant = 4.1  
Loss Tangent = 0.01

### Background:

If a Chebyshev polynomial is used to find the insertion loss of an Nth order low-pass filter,

$$P_{LR} = 1 + k^2 T_N^2 \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_c} \right),$$

then a sharper cutoff will result, although the passband will have ripples of amplitude,  $1 + k^2$ , since  $T_N(x)$  oscillates between  $\pm 1$  for  $x^2$ . ( $T_N(x)$  is the Chebyshev polynomial of N th order)

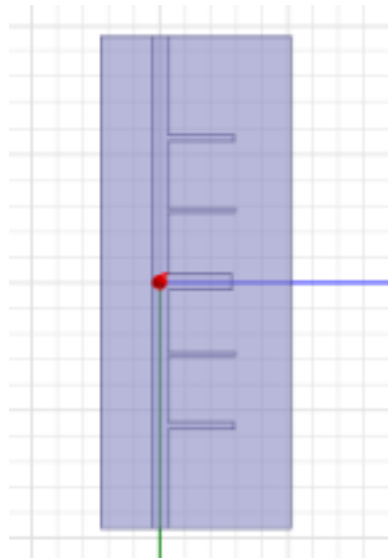


Figure. EquiRipple

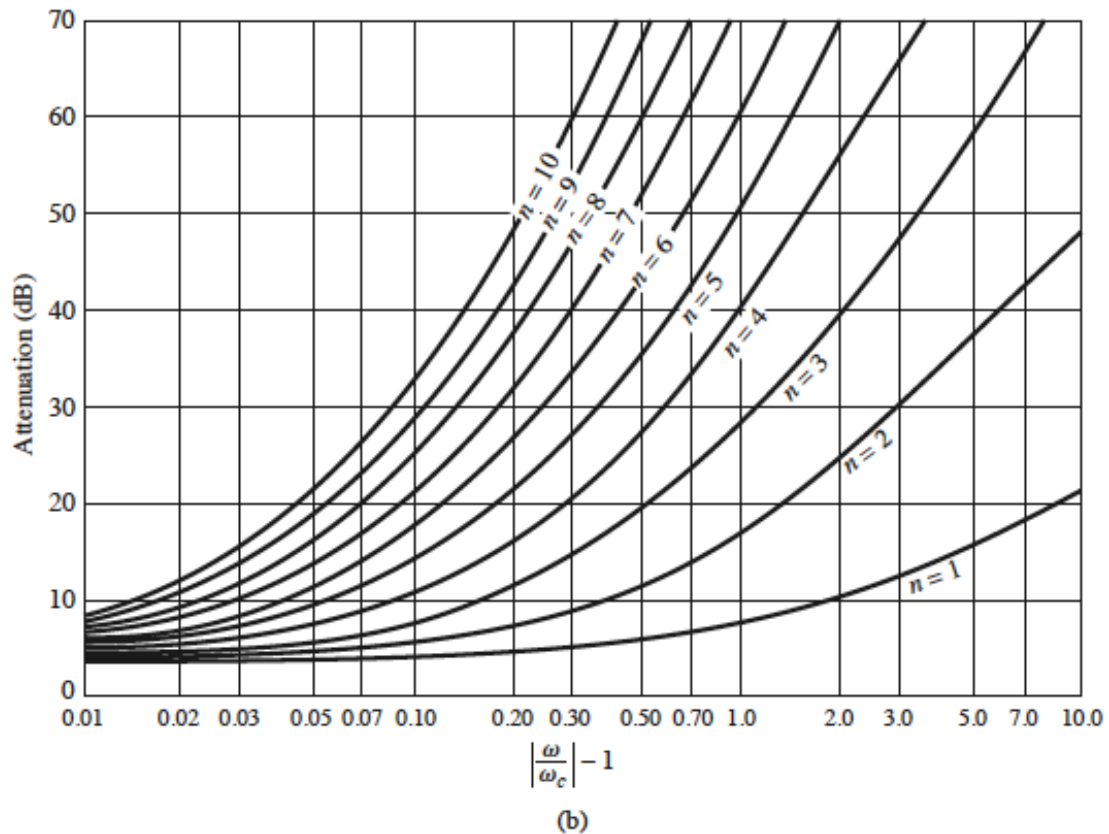
**TABLE 8.4** Element Values for Equal-Ripple Low-Pass Filter Prototypes ( $g_0 = 1$ ,  $\omega_c = 1$ ,  $N = 1$  to 10, 0.5 dB and 3.0 dB ripple)

0.5 dB Ripple											
$N$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$	$g_7$	$g_8$	$g_9$	$g_{10}$	$g_{11}$
1	0.6986	1.0000									
2	1.4029	0.7071	1.9841								
3	1.5963	1.0967	1.5963	1.0000							
4	1.6703	1.1926	2.3661	0.8419	1.9841						
5	1.7058	1.2296	2.5408	1.2296	1.7058	1.0000					
6	1.7254	1.2479	2.6064	1.3137	2.4758	0.8696	1.9841				
7	1.7372	1.2583	2.6381	1.3444	2.6381	1.2583	1.7372	1.0000			
8	1.7451	1.2647	2.6564	1.3590	2.6964	1.3389	2.5093	0.8796	1.9841		
9	1.7504	1.2690	2.6678	1.3673	2.7239	1.3673	2.6678	1.2690	1.7504	1.0000	
10	1.7543	1.2721	2.6754	1.3725	2.7392	1.3806	2.7231	1.3485	2.5239	0.8842	1.9841
3.0 dB Ripple											
$N$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$	$g_7$	$g_8$	$g_9$	$g_{10}$	$g_{11}$
1	1.9953	1.0000									
2	3.1013	0.5339	5.8095								
3	3.3487	0.7117	3.3487	1.0000							
4	3.4389	0.7483	4.3471	0.5920	5.8095						
5	3.4817	0.7618	4.5381	0.7618	3.4817	1.0000					
6	3.5045	0.7685	4.6061	0.7929	4.4641	0.6033	5.8095				
7	3.5182	0.7723	4.6386	0.8039	4.6386	0.7723	3.5182	1.0000			
8	3.5277	0.7745	4.6575	0.8089	4.6990	0.8018	4.4990	0.6073	5.8095		
9	3.5340	0.7760	4.6692	0.8118	4.7272	0.8118	4.6692	0.7760	3.5340	1.0000	
10	3.5384	0.7771	4.6768	0.8136	4.7425	0.8164	4.7260	0.8051	4.5142	0.6091	5.8095

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**Figure - Table 8.4**

In order to determine 'N' for design, we need to know the ripple level and the following figure can help the determination.



**FIGURE 8.27** Attenuation versus normalized frequency for equal-ripple filter prototypes. (a) 0.5 dB ripple level. (b) 3.0 dB ripple level.

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Figure

$$g_1 = 1.7058$$

$$g_2 = 1.2296$$

$$g_3 = 2.5408$$

$$g_4 = 1.2296$$

$$g_5 = 1.7058$$

$$g_6 = 1.0000$$

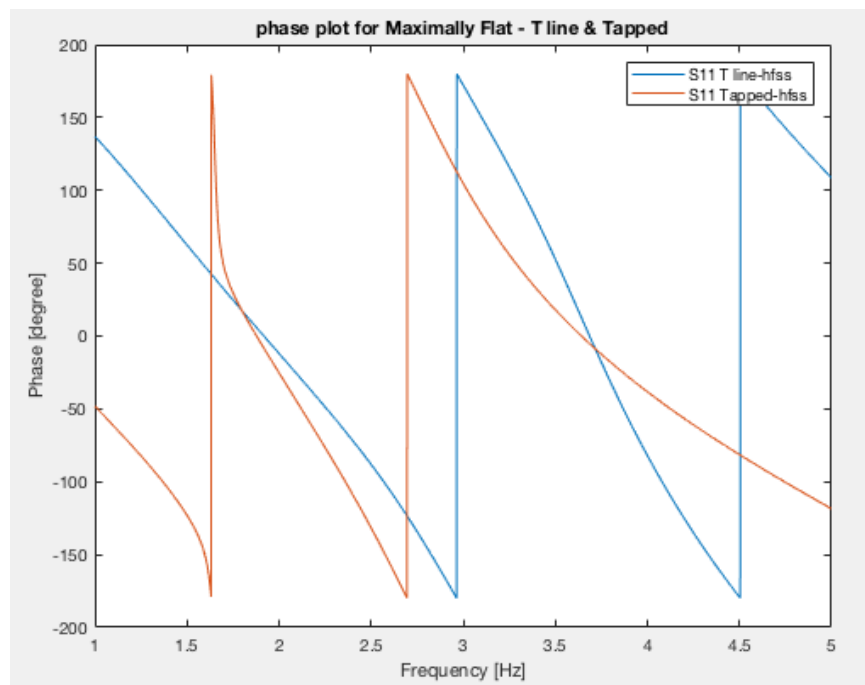
Scaled Impedance values of the equivalent open-circuit stubs using the following equation:

$$Z_s = \frac{4Z_0}{\pi g_n \Delta}$$

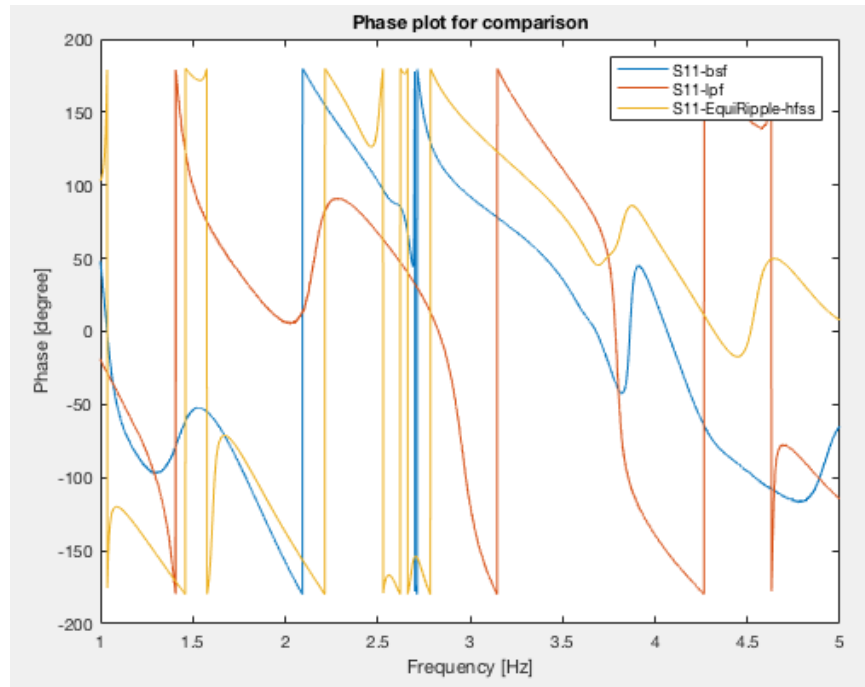
Shunt	Inverter	Shunt	Inverter	Shunt	Inverter	Shunt	Inverter	Shunt
OC	J1	OC	J2	OC	J3	OC	J4	OC
75	50	104	50	50	50	104	50	75
$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$	$0.25\lambda$

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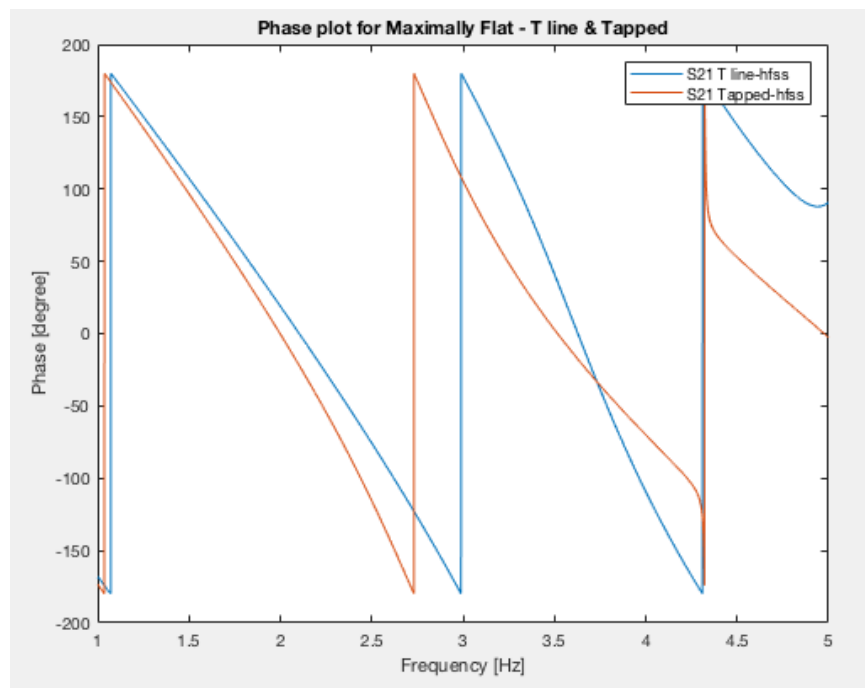
Length of 75 ohm = 14.446mm  
 Width of 75 ohm = 1.479mm  
 Length of 104 ohm = 14.743mm  
 Width of 104 ohm = 0.6685mm  
 Length of 50 ohm = 14.033mm  
 Width of 50 ohm = 3.117mm  
 length of UE = 14.033mm



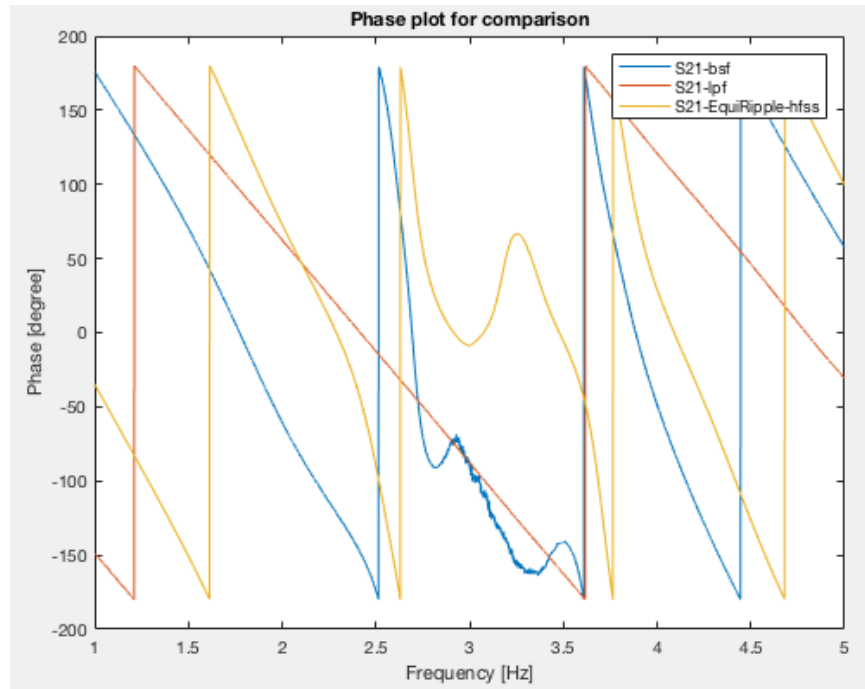
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### Conclusion:

I think this lab was quite difficult in terms of harmonizing the simulated version and milled version of filter. I didn't obtain perfect outcomes from both HFSS and the lab but they showed me idealized plots in a sense that they are not because I was, at least, trying to achieve better results from HFSS simulation. It turned out that not quite as I intended but I think I learned, at least, how to design low pass and band stop filters and what would I not want to obtain when designing them. I also realized that BSF requires an extra work such as prototype filters in order to fully design it.

The frequency ranges that were stated in the beginning of lab and those of the obtained from simulations are not perfectly matched but it's also hard to say that they are totally different.