

Microwave Engineering (Lab)

Lab 6: Design of branch line coupler

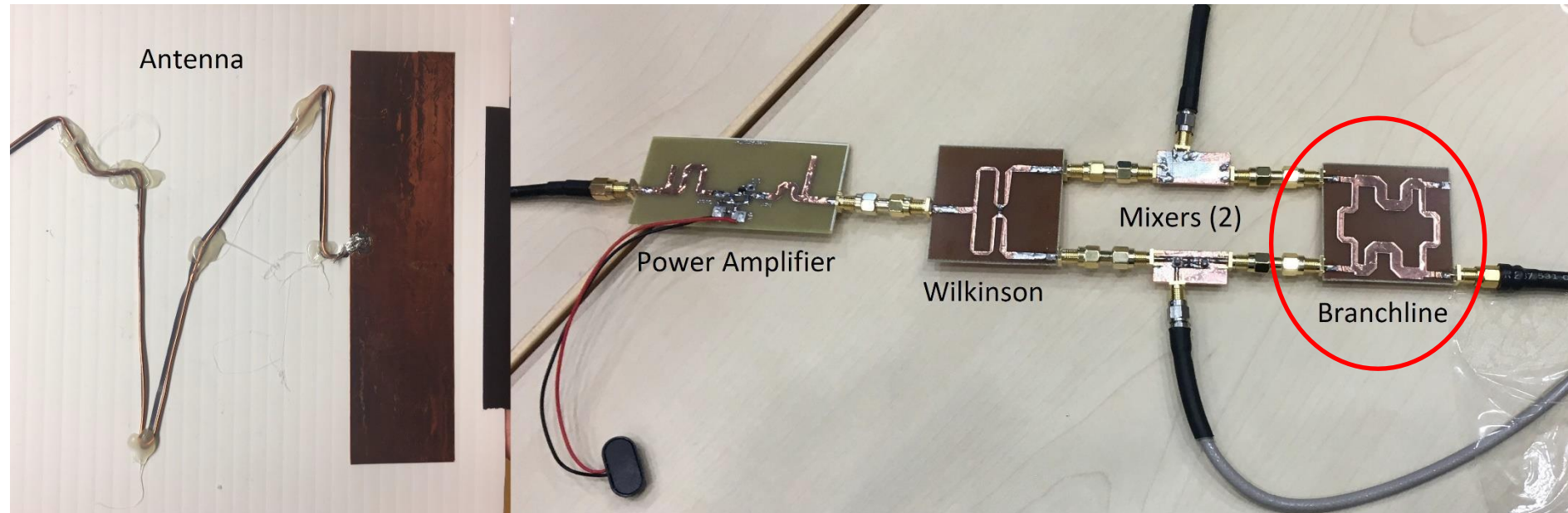
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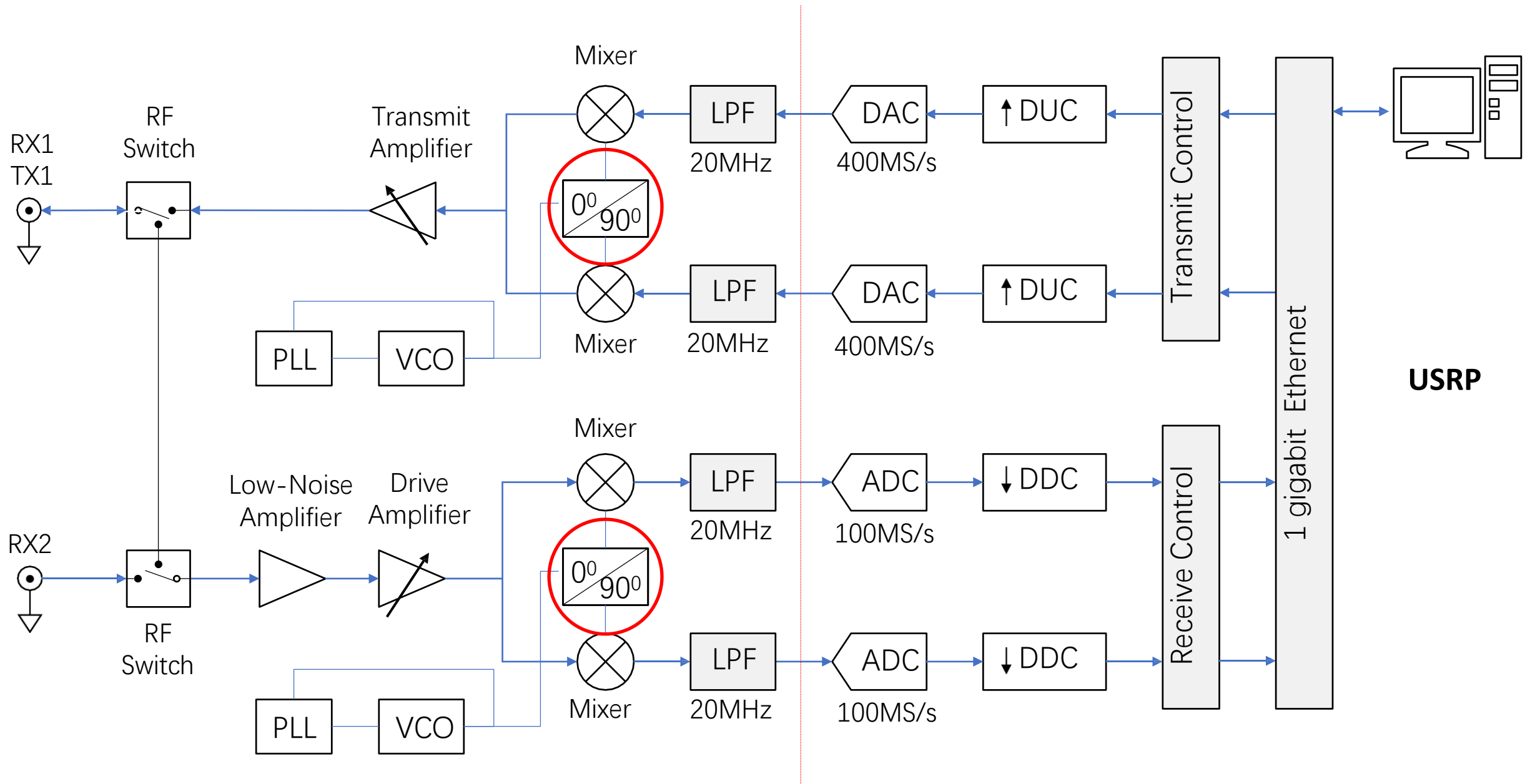
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耦合器是一个四端口微波器件，通常将1-4端口分别指代输入端、直通端、耦合端和隔离端。大多数应用中大部分功率从直通端输出，耦合端则输出一小部分功率，以获得输入端信号的备份，隔离端无输出。如功率监控系统，测试仪器，正交功率分配。

3dB分支线定向耦合器：如果端口微带线的特性阻抗相等且为 Z_0 ，竖直分支微带线特性阻抗也为 Z_0 ，水平分支微带线特性阻抗取值为 $Z_0/\sqrt{2}$ ，此时，直通输出口和耦合输出功率相等，均为输入端口的一半，且有 90° 的相位差，隔离端输出为0。

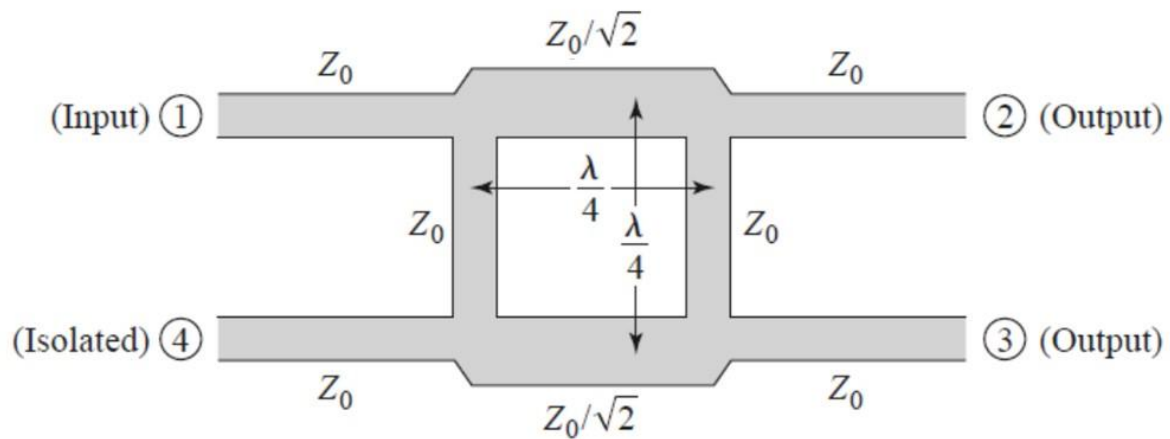


Fig. 1. Branch-line coupler. Here $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$.

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\frac{j}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ -\frac{j}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{j}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{j}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

定向耦合器中的两个重要的指标：

耦合度C：输入端输入功率与耦合端的输出功率之比：

$$C = 10\lg \frac{P_1}{P_3} = 10\lg \frac{1}{|S_{31}|^2}$$

耦合度C表征了耦合强弱。

隔离度I：输入端输入功率与隔离端的输出功率之比：

$$I = 10\lg \frac{P_1}{P_4} = 10\lg \frac{1}{|S_{41}|^2}$$

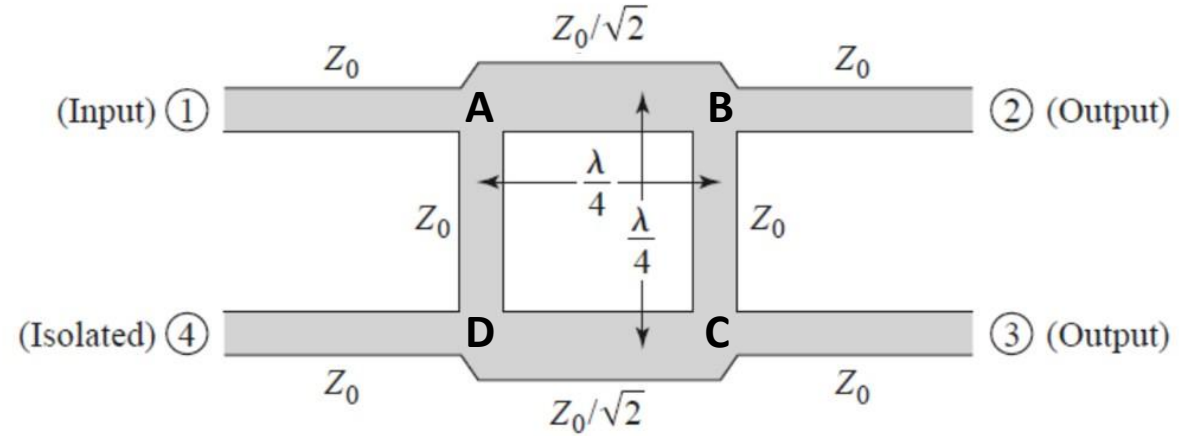


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理想3dB分支线耦合器：

$$C = 3\text{dB}$$

$$I = \infty$$

设计一个3dB分支线定向耦合器

1. 基板Rogers 5870, 厚度0.787mm
2. 中心频率: 2GHz
3. 端口阻抗: 50Ω
4. 带宽: 100MHz
5. S_{11} , S_{22} , S_{33} , $S_{44} < -15\text{dB}$
6. $S_{41} < -20\text{dB}$
7. S_{21} , $S_{31} > -3.3\text{dB}$
8. 中心频点 $\text{abs}(S_{31}-S_{21}) < 0.1\text{dB}$
9. 中心频点 $89^\circ < |\text{phase}(S_{31})-\text{phase}(S_{21})| < 91^\circ$

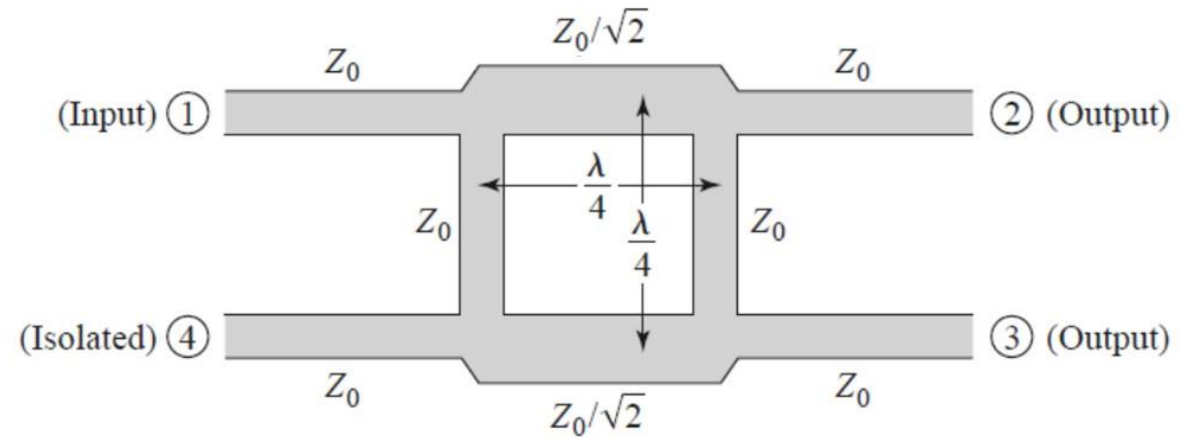
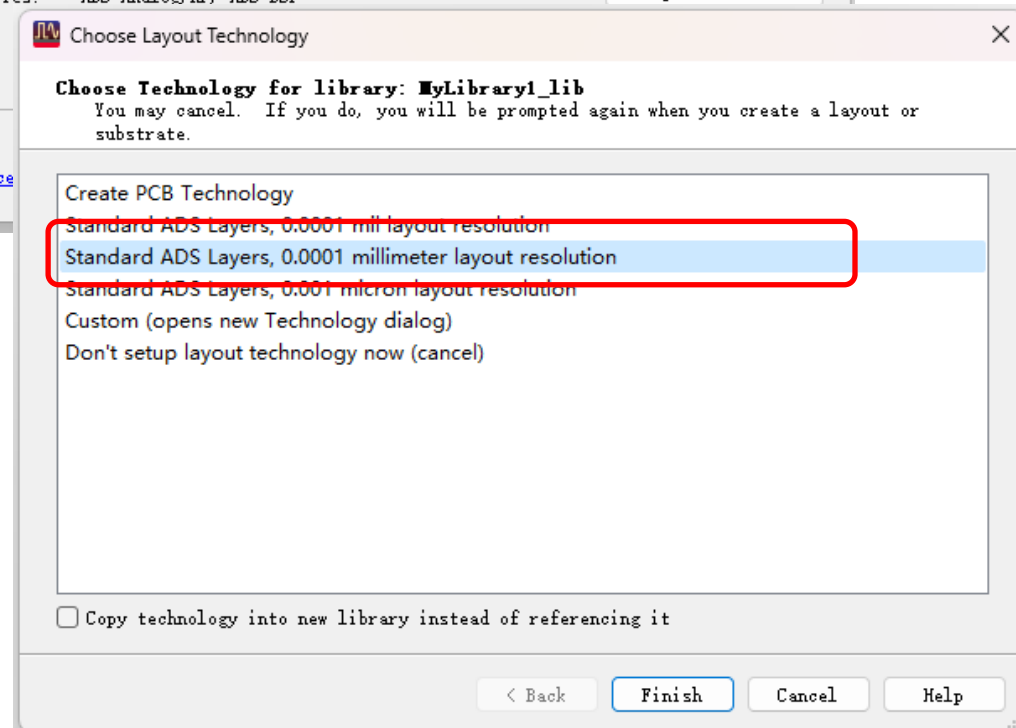
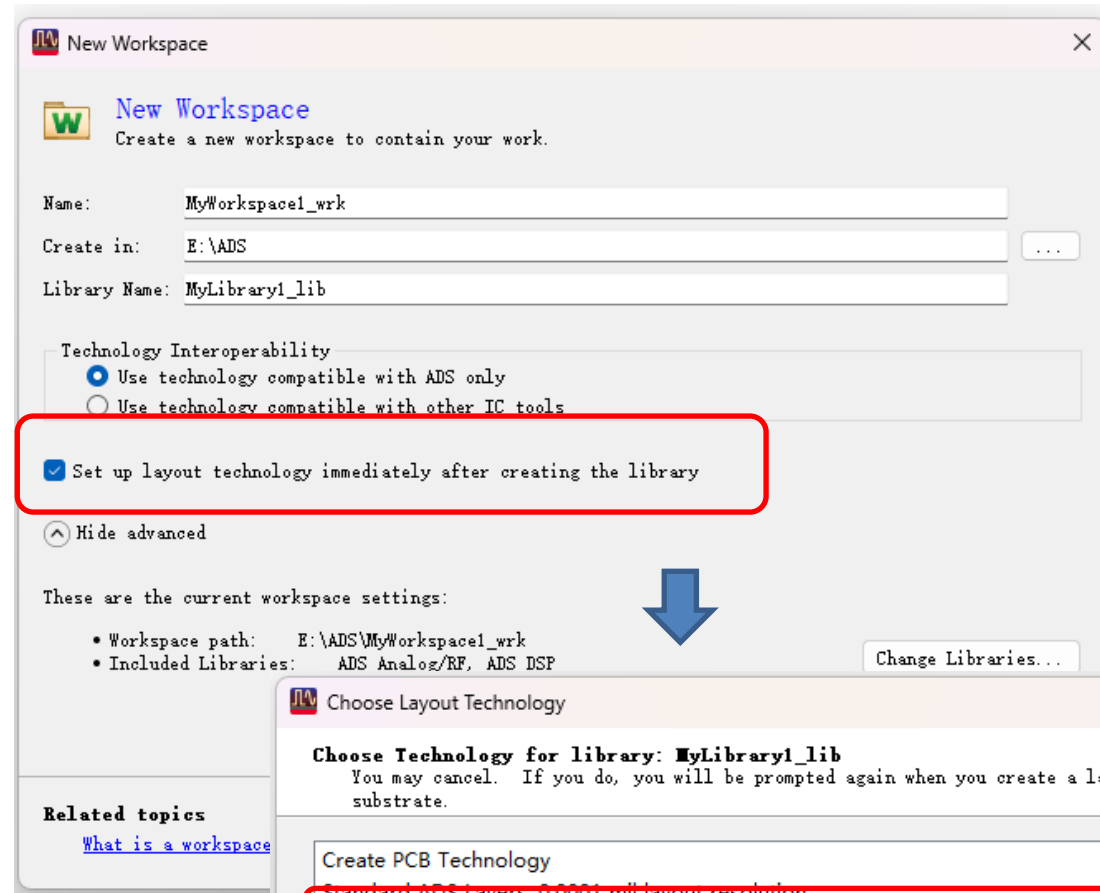
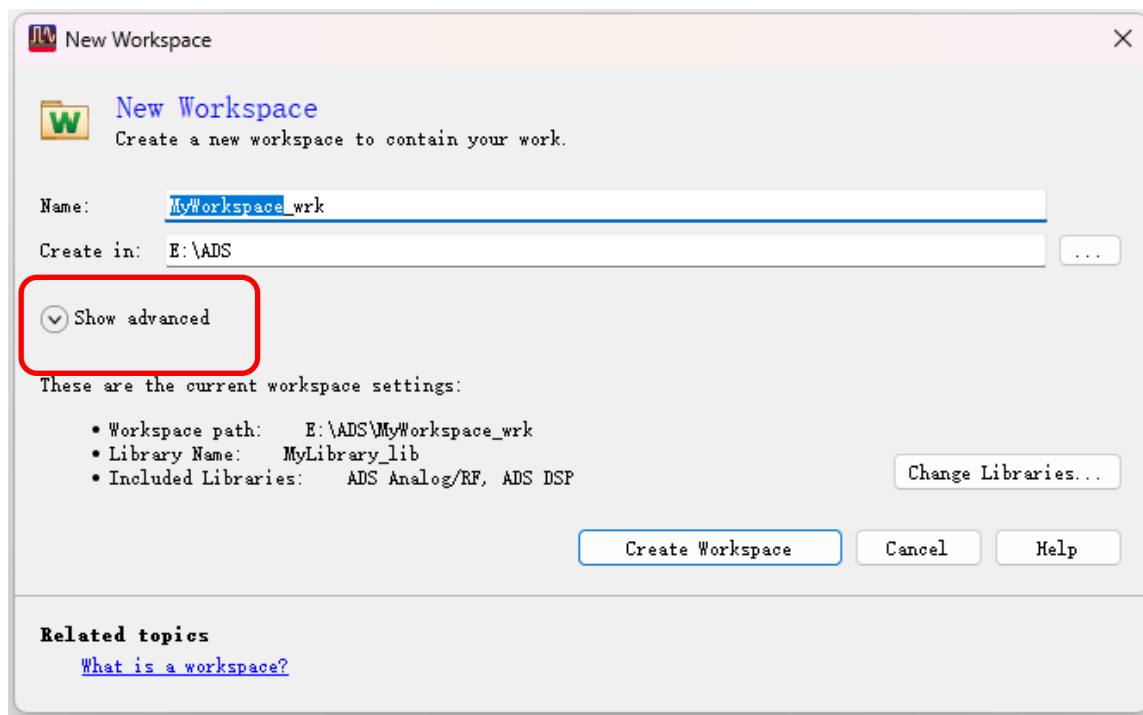
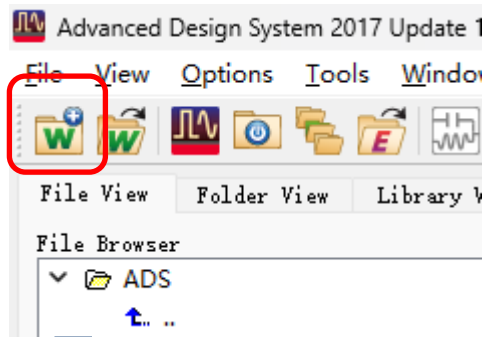


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S-PARAMETERS

S_Param

SP1

Start=1.5 GHz
Stop=2.5 GHz
Step=0.01 GHz

MSub

MSUB

MSub1

H=0.787 mm

Er=2.33

Mur=1

Cond=1.0E+50

Hu=1e+33 mm

T=0.017 mm

TanD=0.0019

Rough=0 mm

Bbase=

Dpeaks=

Var
Eqn

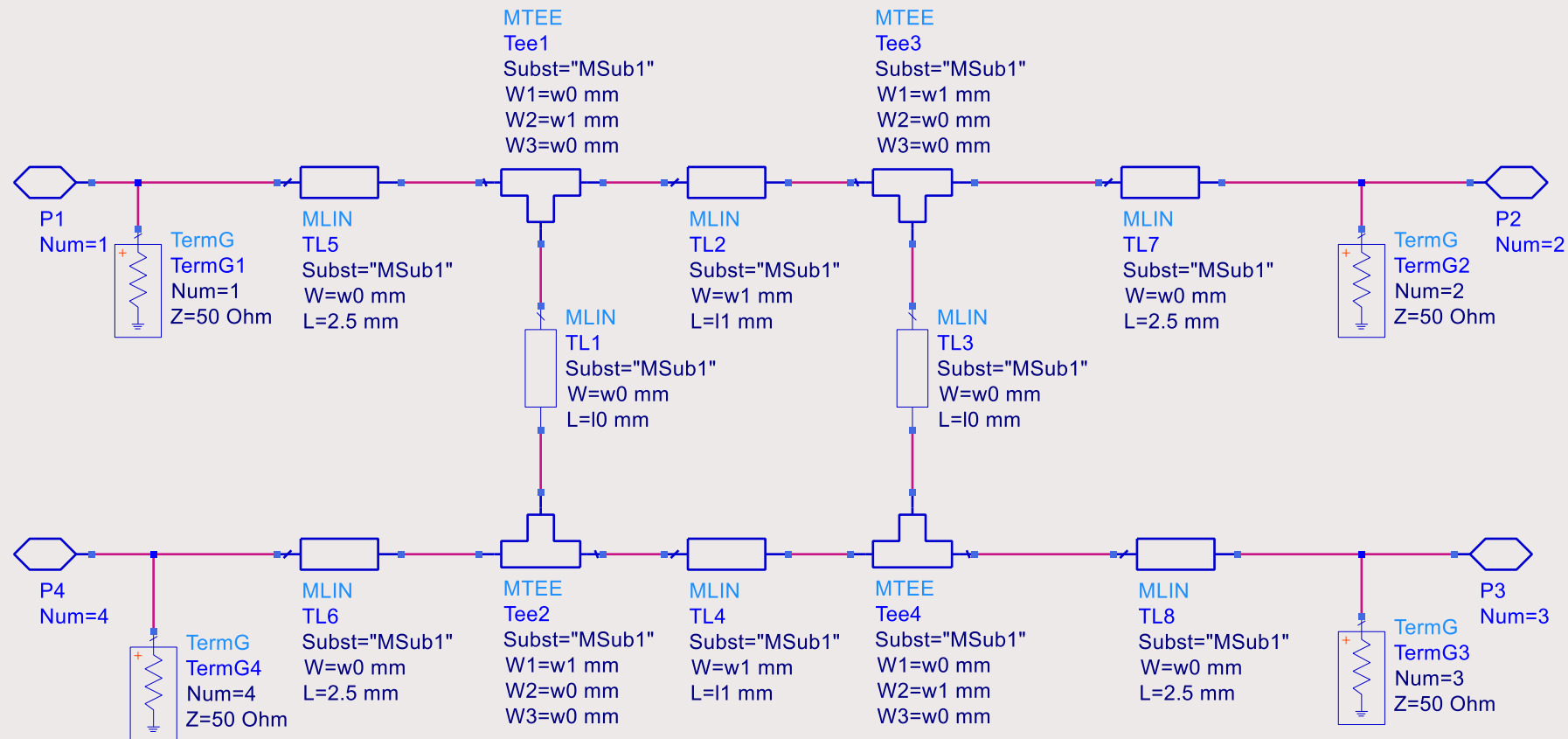
VAR
VAR1

w0=2.33

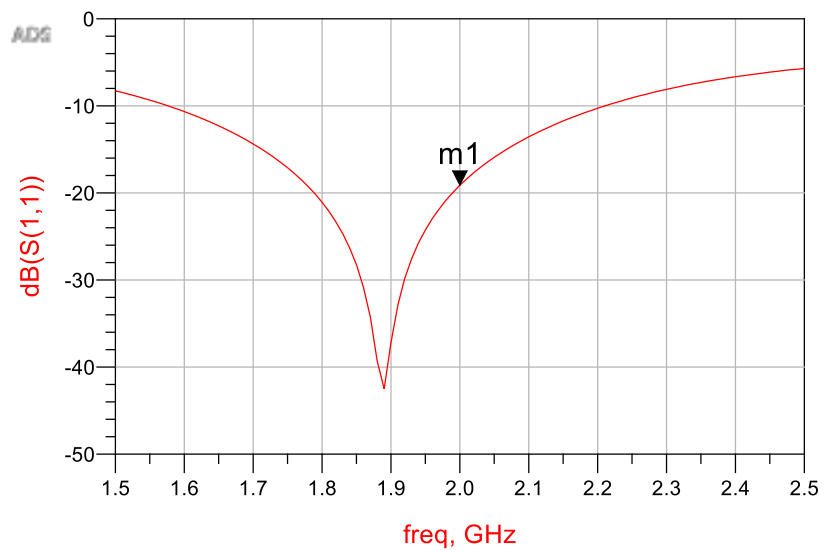
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l0=27.2

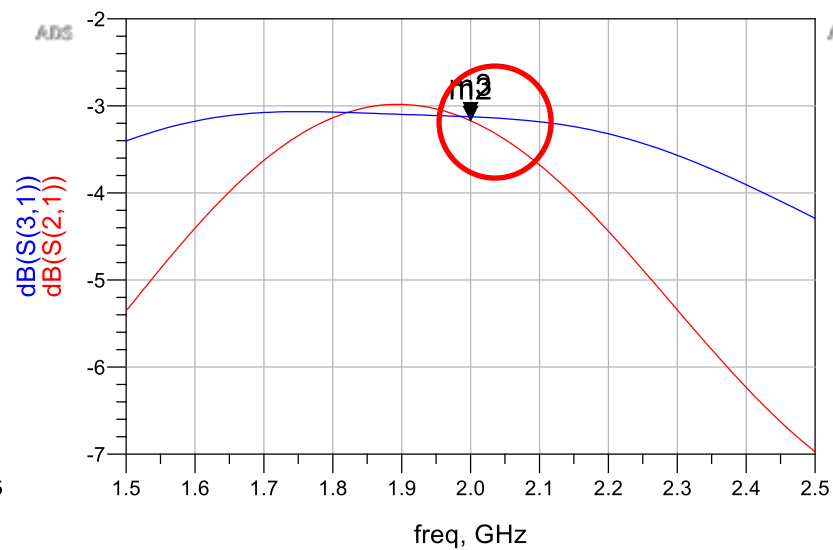
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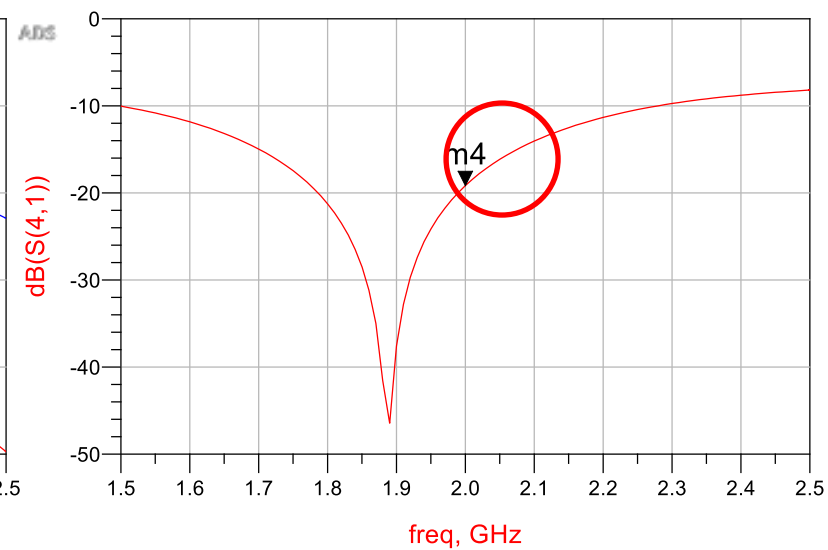
m1
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(1,1))=-19.121



m2
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(2,1))=-3.171



m3
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(3,1))=-3.126



m4
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(4,1))=-19.149

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal1
 Expr="dB(S11)"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal2
 Expr="dB(S21)"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal3
 Expr="dB(S31)"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal4
 Expr="dB(S41)"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal5
 Expr="abs(dB(S31)-dB(S21))"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

GOAL

Goal
 OptimGoal6
 Expr="phase(S31)-phase(S21)-180"
 SimInstanceName="SP1"
 Weight=1

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OPTIM

Optim

Optim1

OptimType=Random

MaxIters=100

DesiredError=0.0

StatusLevel=4

FinalAnalysis="None"

NormalizeGoals=yes

SetBestValues=yes

SaveS

SaveG

SaveC

Update

SaveN

SaveA

UseAll

UseAll

SaveCurrentEF=no

EnableCockpit=yes

SaveAllTrials=no

Edit Instance Parameters

Library name: ads_datacmps

Cell name: VAR

View name: symbol

Instance name: VAR1

Select Parameter

w0=2.33
 w1=3.82
 l0=27.2 opt{ 10 to 40 }
 l1=26.3 opt{ 10 to 40 }

Variable or Equation Entry Mode

Standard

Name w0

Variable Value

2.33

None

Equation Editor...

Tune/Opt/Stat/DOE Setup...

☒ Display parameter on schematic

Component Options...

Reset

Add

Cut

Paste

Variable Value:Variable equation

OK

Apply

Cancel

Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal1

Goal Information Display

Expression: dB(S11) Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ time Edit...

Limit lines

Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1 limit1	<		-15	1	1.95GHz	2.05GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal2

Goal Information Display

Expression: dB(S21) Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ time Edit...

Limit lines

Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1 limit1	>	-3.2		1	1.95GHz	2.05GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal3

Goal Information Display

Expression: dB(S31) Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ freq ☐ time Edit...

Limit lines

	Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1	limit1	>	-3.2		1	1.95GHz	2.05GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal4

Goal Information Display

Expression: dB(S41) Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ freq ☐ time Edit...

Limit lines

	Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1	limit1	<		-20	1	1.95GHz	2.05GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal5

Goal Information Display

Expression: $\text{abs}(\text{dB}(\text{S31}) - \text{dB}(\text{S21}))$ Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ time Edit...

Limit lines

Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1 limit1	<		0.1	1	2GHz	2GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Optim Goal Input:1

ads_simulation:Goal Instance Name
OptimGoal6

Goal Information Display

Expression: $\text{phase}(\text{S31}) - \text{phase}(\text{S21}) - 180$ Help on Expressions

Analysis: SP1

Weight: 1

Sweep variables: freq ☒ time Edit...

Limit lines

Name	Type	Min	Max	Weight	freq min	freq max
1 limit1	<		91	1	2GHz	2GHz
2 limit2	>	89		1	2GHz	2GHz

Add Limit Delete Limit Move Up Move Down

OK Apply Cancel Help

Continue

Simulate

Update Design...

States

Store...

Recall...

Revert

Options...

Close

Help

Status



Optim1

Random

Iteration 100/100 Elapsed time:0s

Stopping reason:

Iteration limit reached

Edit algorithm...

Variables

2 variables

Start Tuning ▼

Edit variables...

10 27.0312

11 23.857

Goals

6 goals

Error: 5.7741e-06

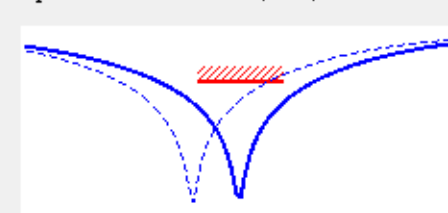
Edit goals...

Error history

Goal contributions



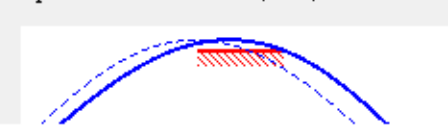
OptimGoal1 = dB(S11)



Error

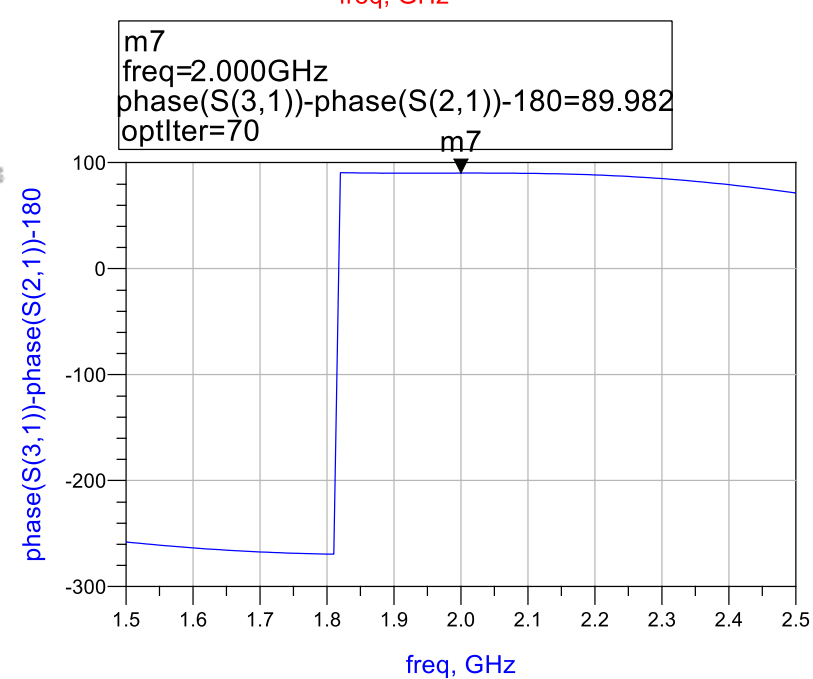
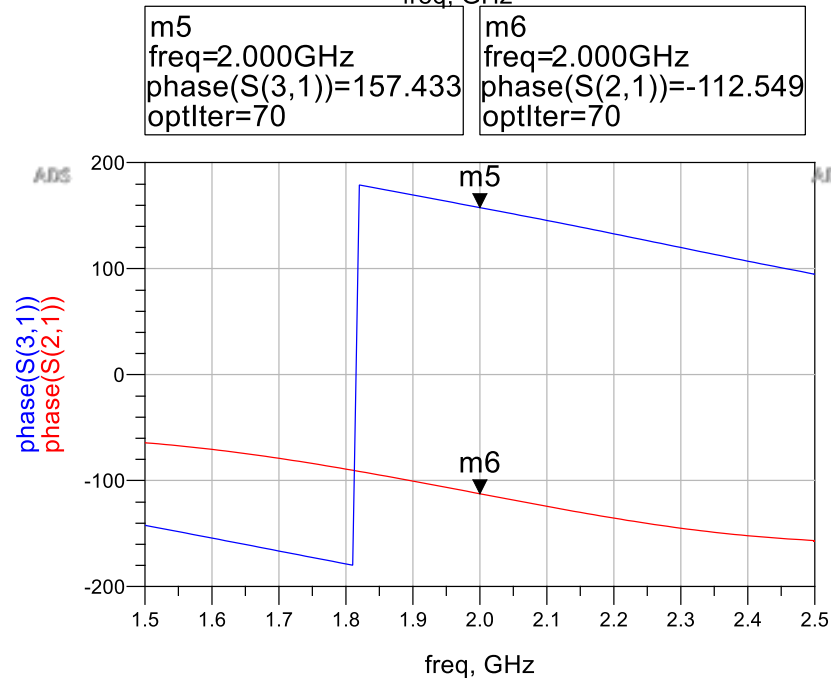
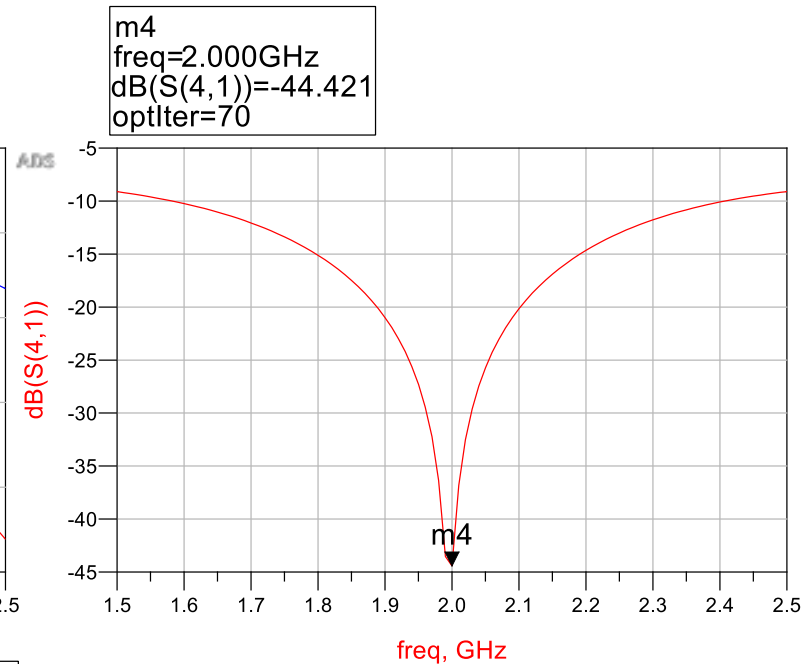
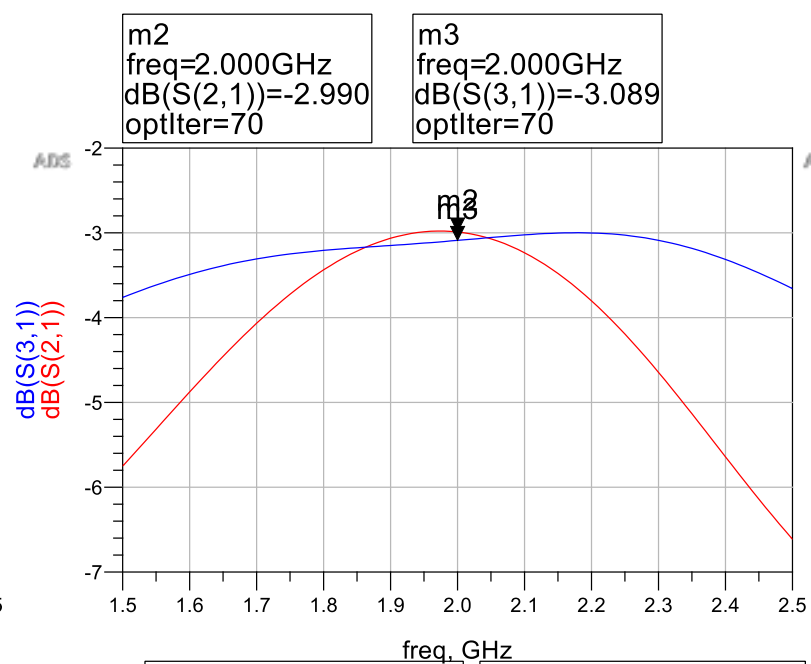
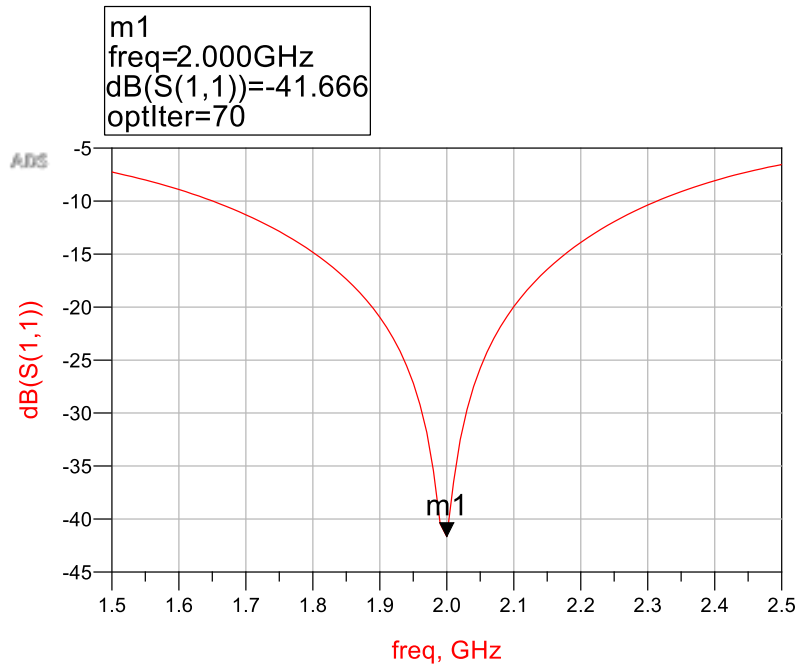


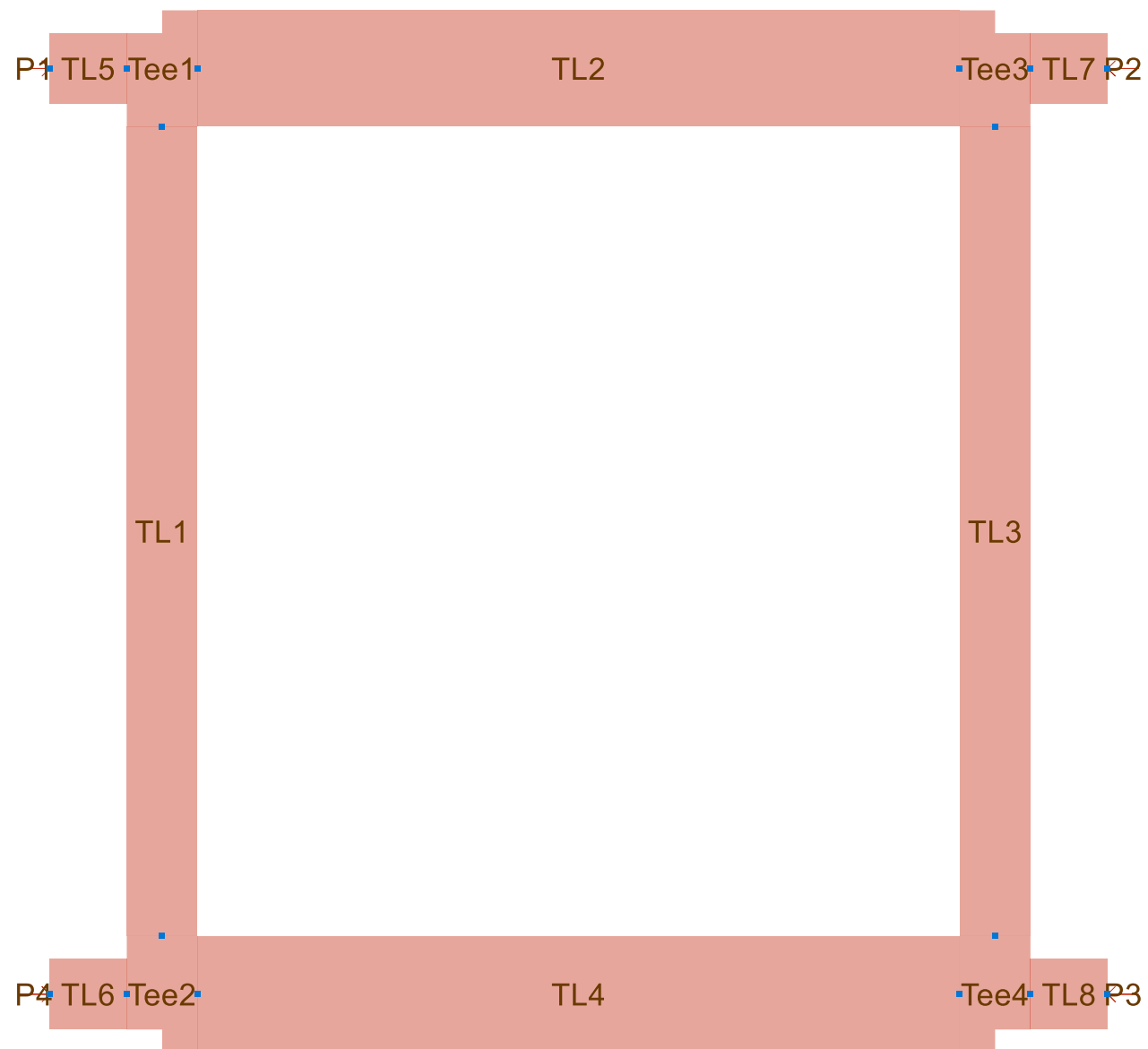
OptimGoal2 = dB(S21)

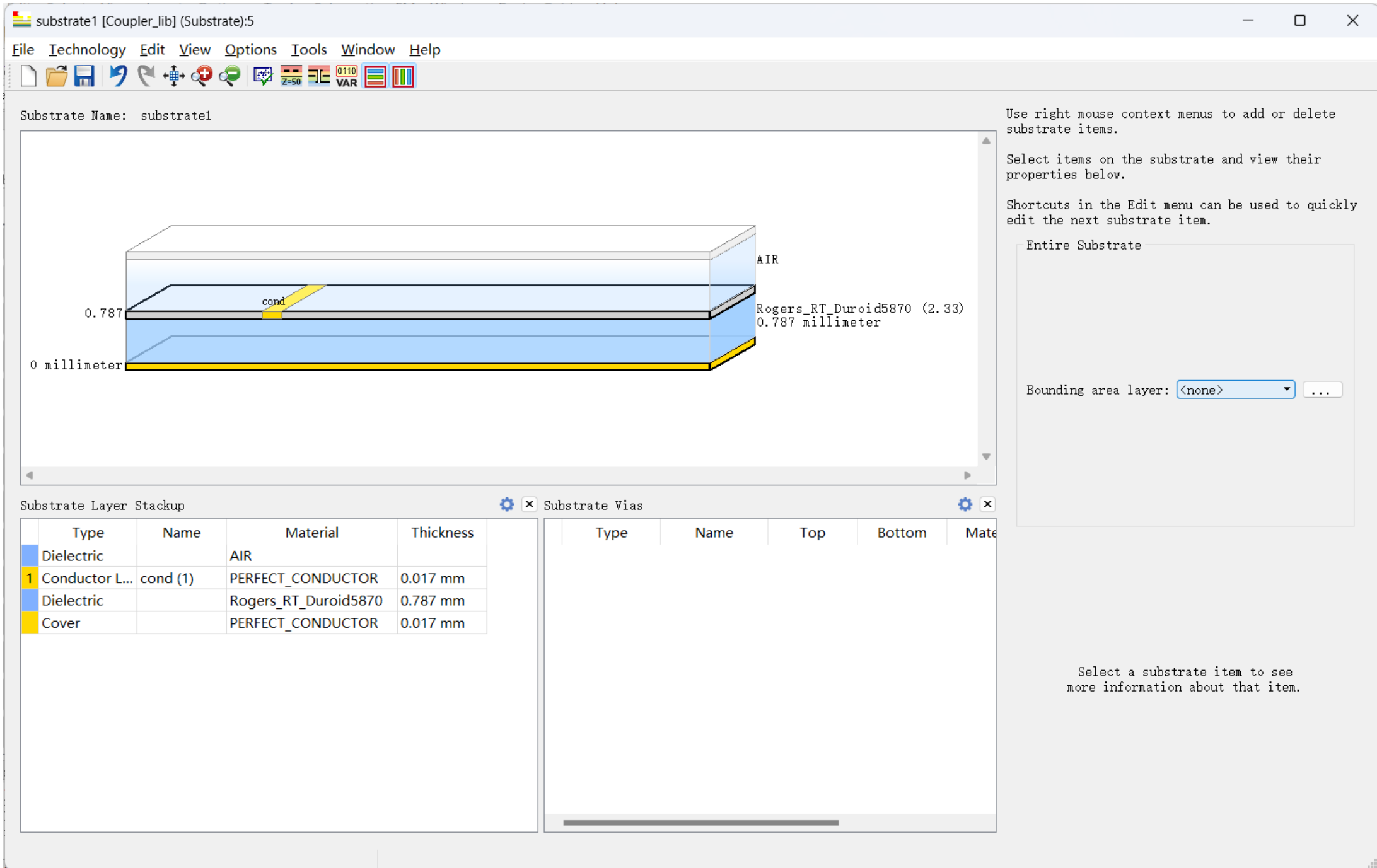


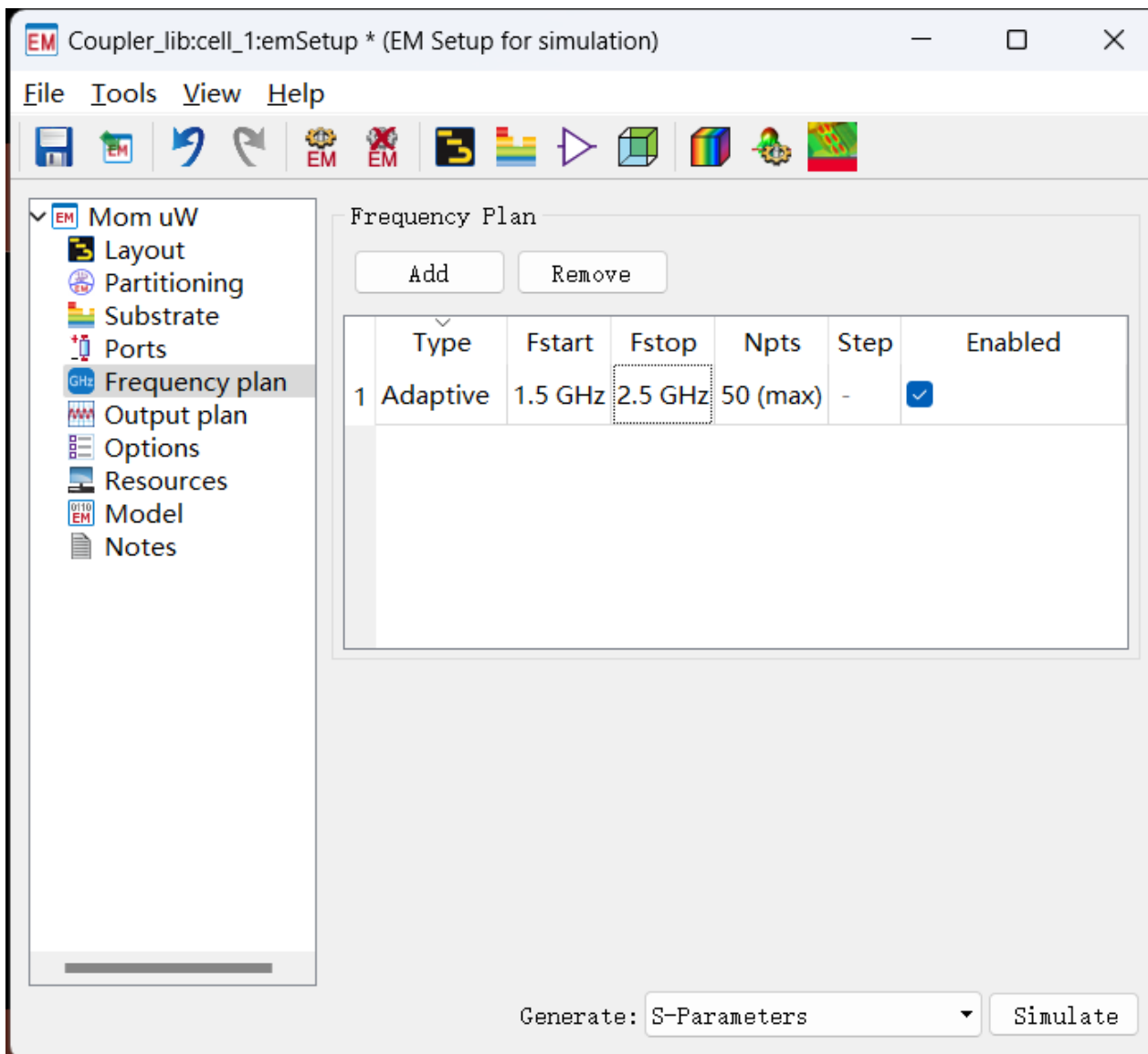
Error



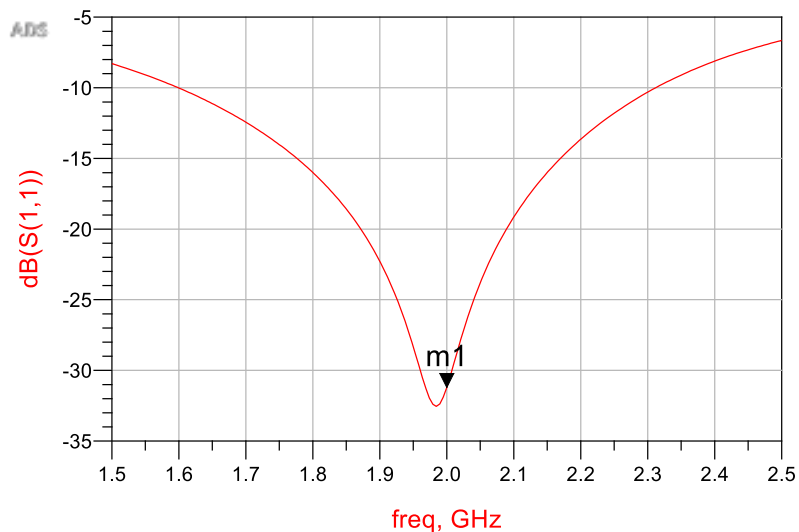




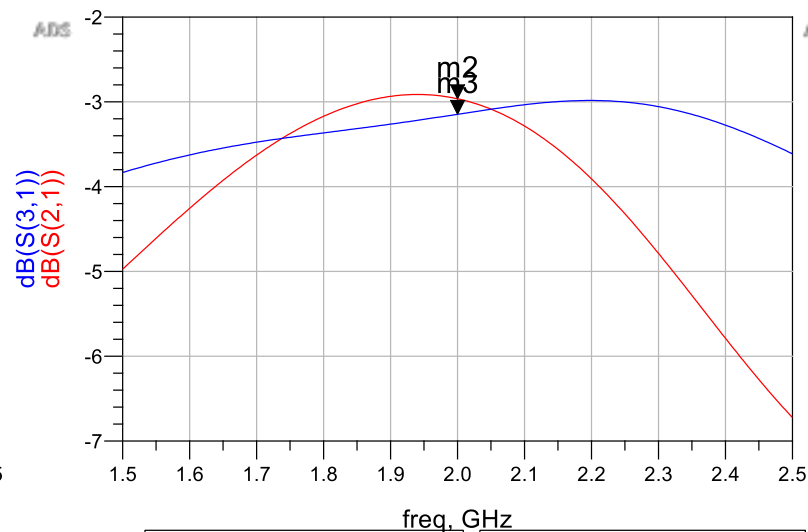




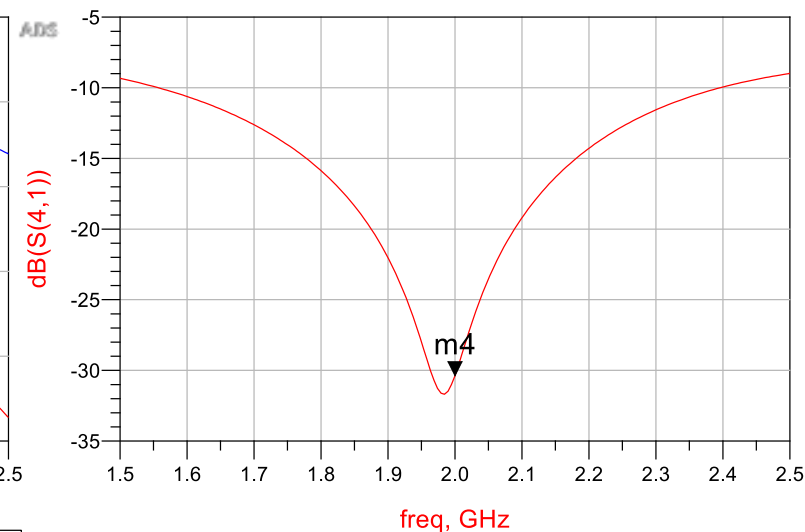
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freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(1,1))=-31.207



m2
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(2,1))=-2.964

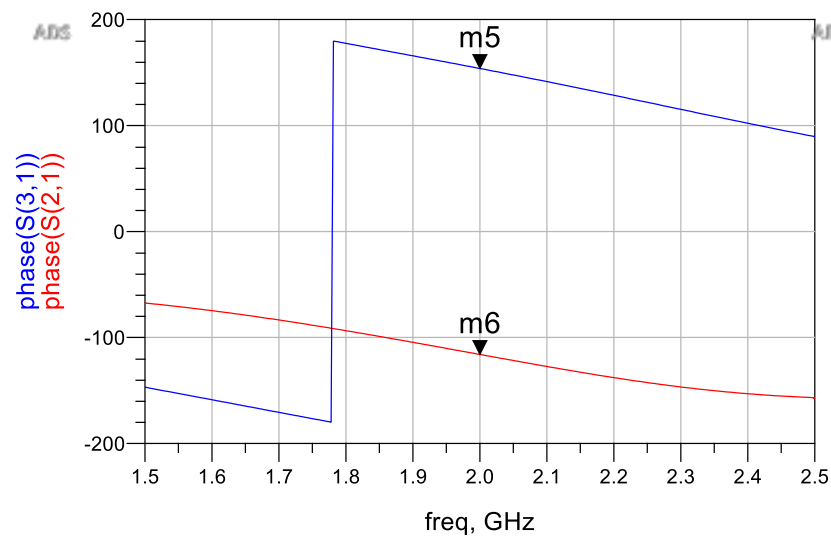


m3
freq=2.000GHz
dB(S(3,1))=-3.146

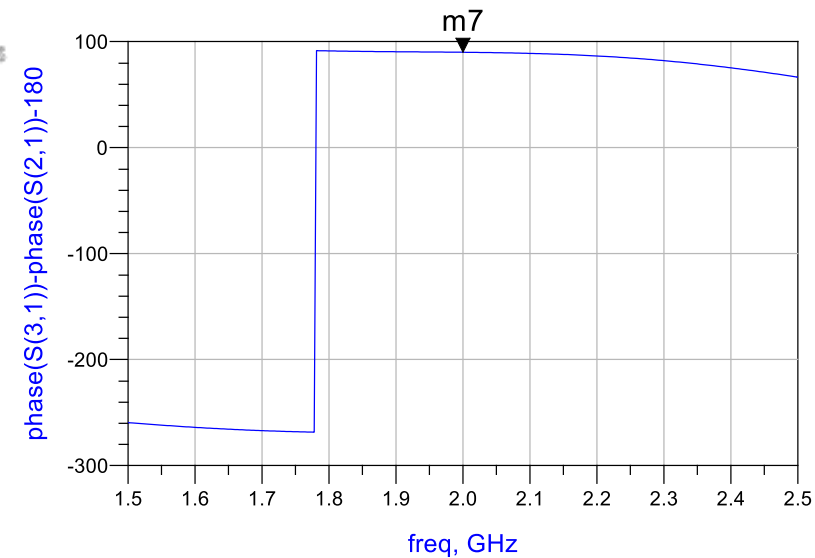


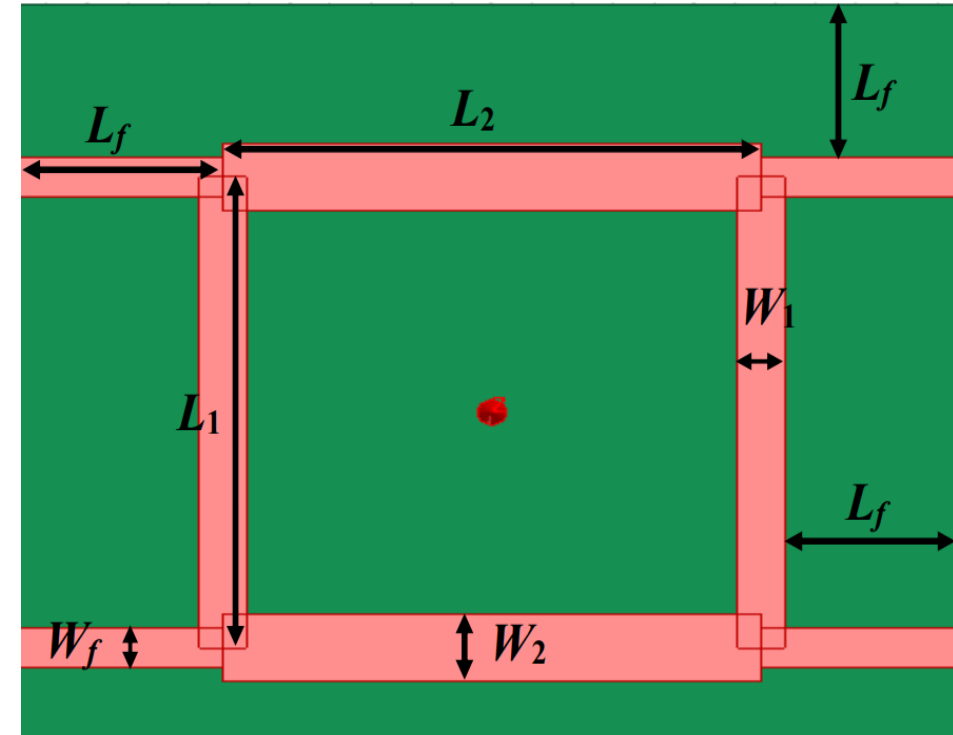
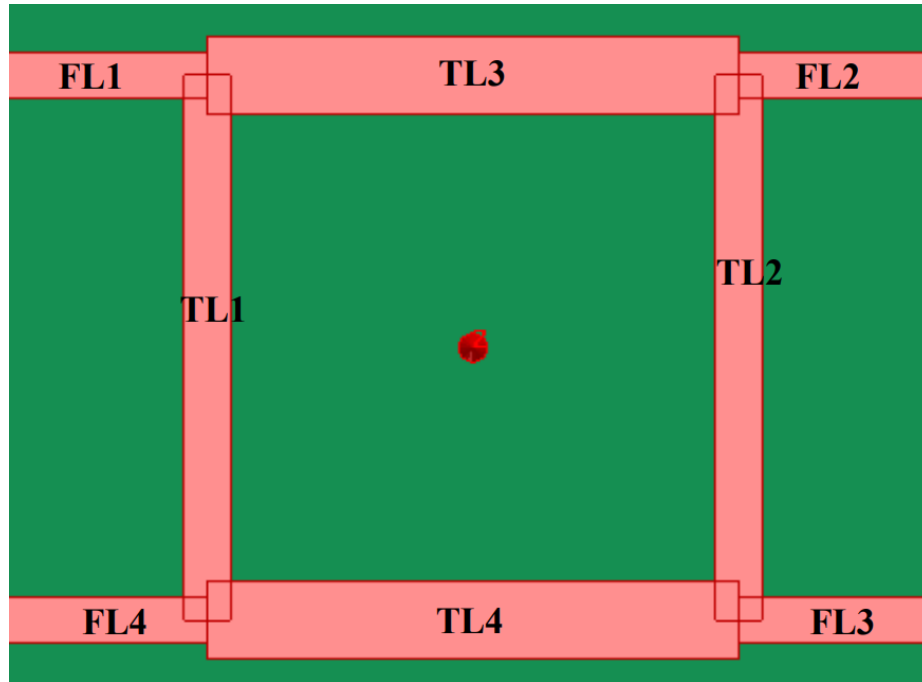
m5
freq=2.000GHz
phase(S(3,1))=153.763

m6
freq=2.000GHz
phase(S(2,1))=-116.052



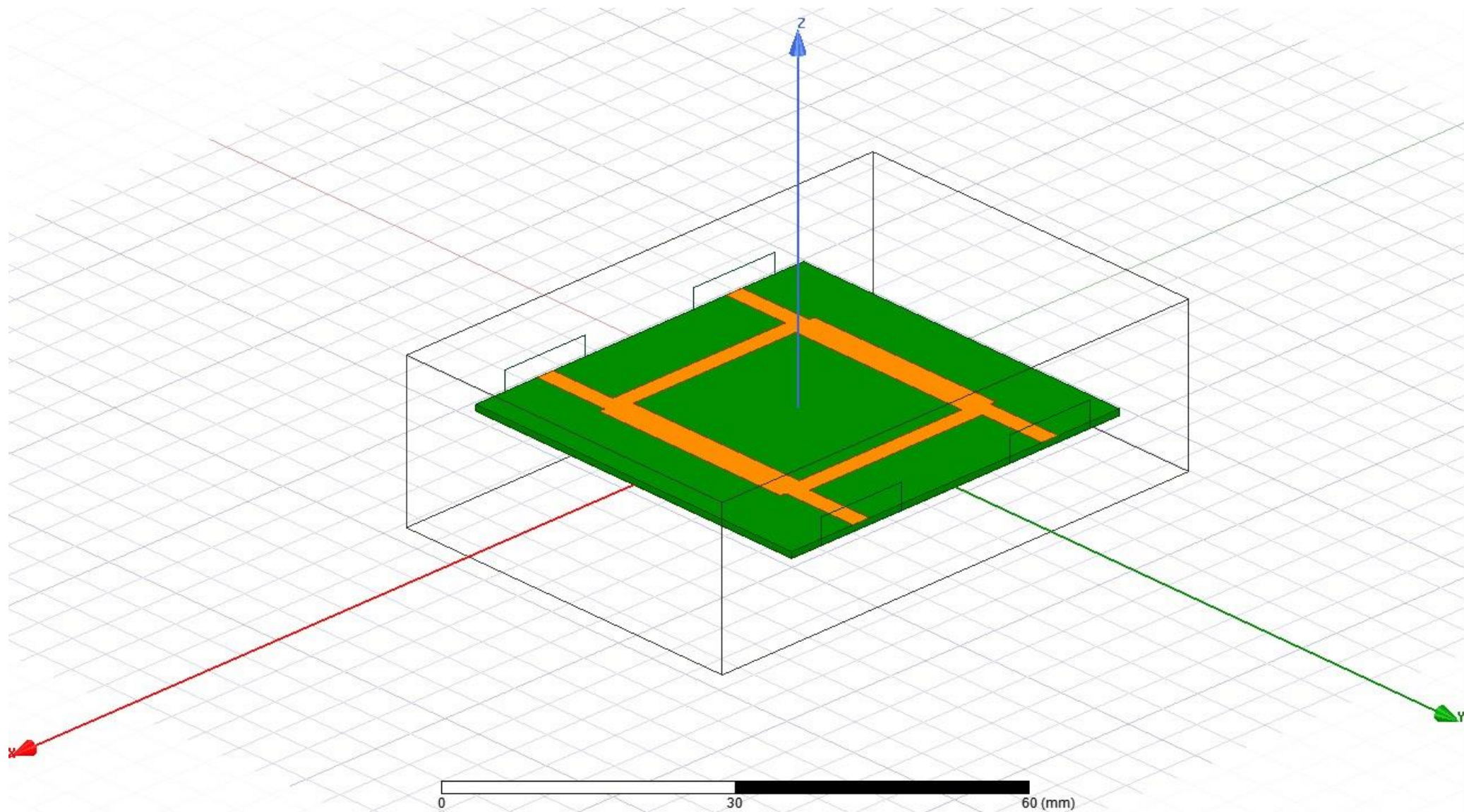
m7
freq=2.000GHz
phase(S(3,1))-phase(S(2,1))-180=89.814





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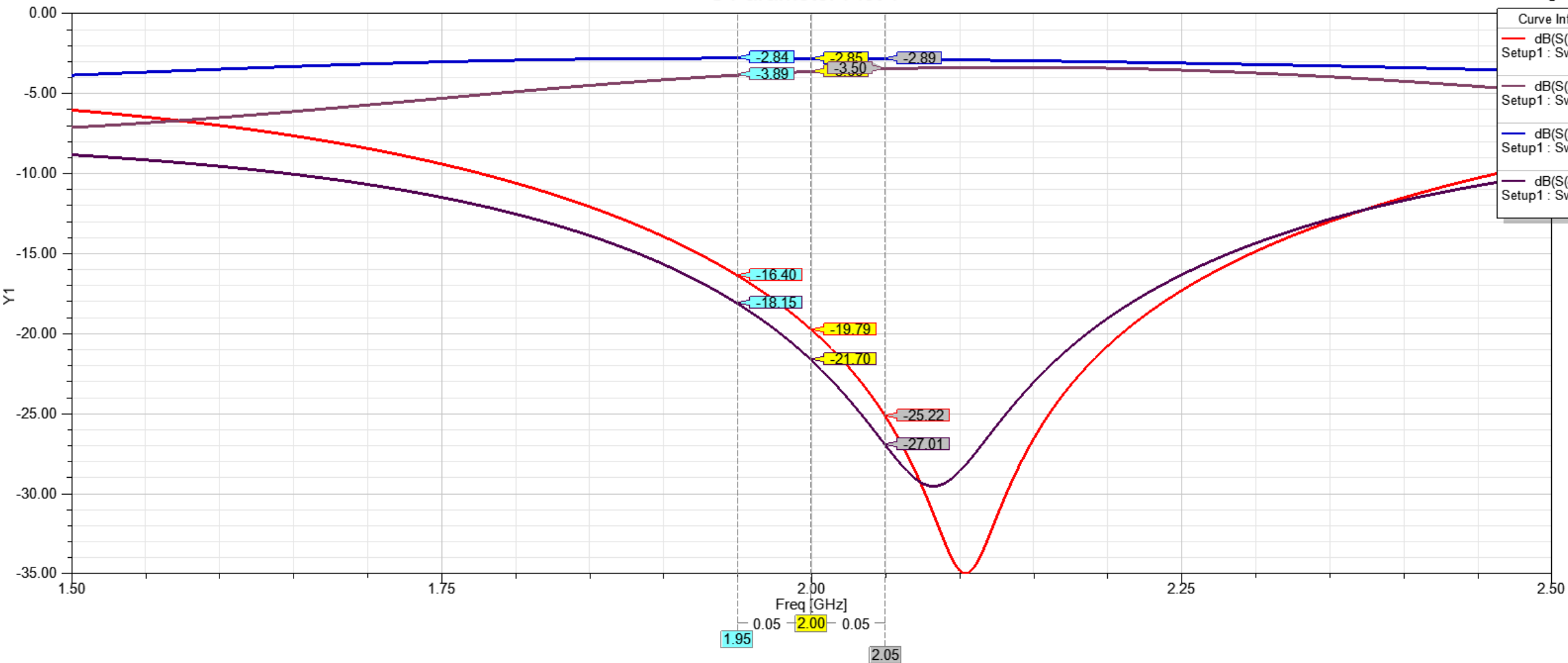
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hc	0.017	mm	0.017mm
Lf	10	mm	10mm
Wf	2.33	mm	2.33mm
L1	27.22	mm	27.22mm
W1	2.33	mm	2.33mm
L2	27	mm	27mm
W2	3.82	mm	3.82mm



S Parameter Plot 1

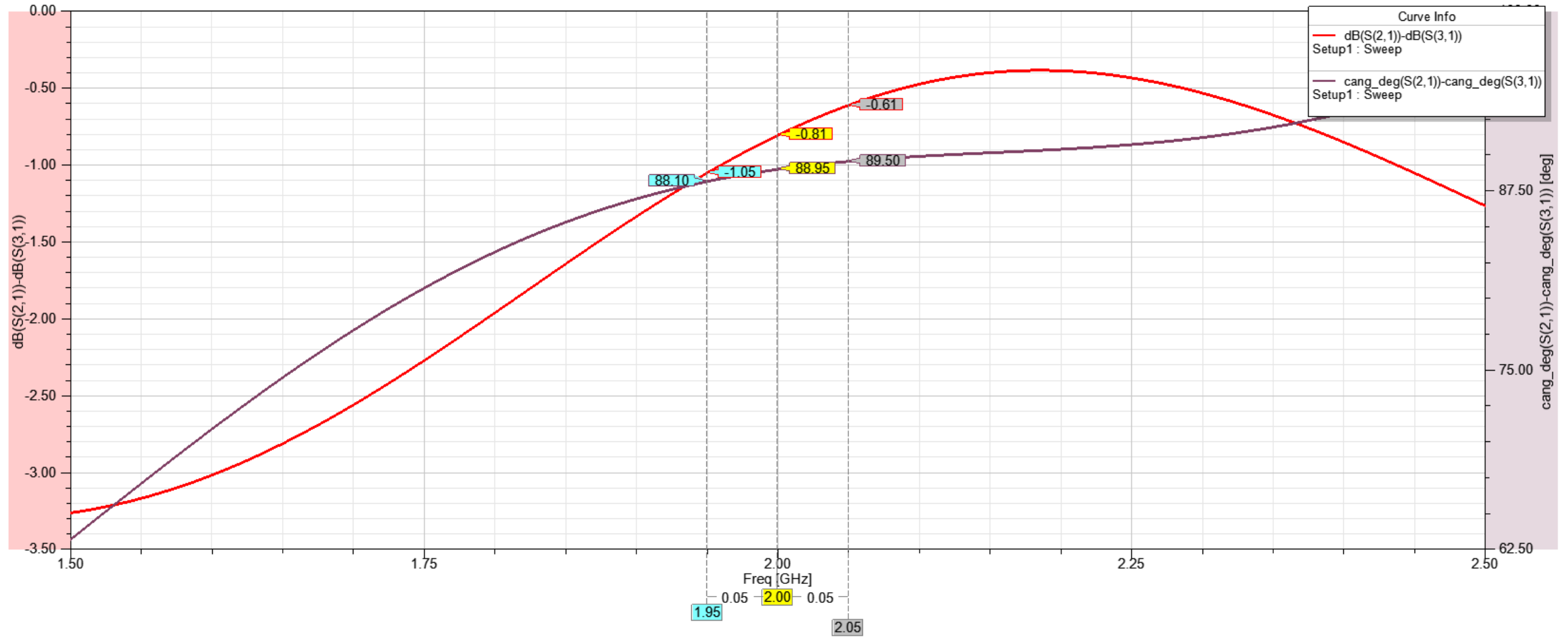
HFSSDesign1

Curve Info	
—	dB(S(1,1)) Setup1 : Sweep
—	dB(S(2,1)) Setup1 : Sweep
—	dB(S(3,1)) Setup1 : Sweep
—	dB(S(4,1)) Setup1 : Sweep



S Parameter Plot 3

HFSSDesign1



HFSS

Tools

Window

Help

Solution Type...

List...

Validation Check...

Analyze All

Submit Job...

Edit Notes...

Toolkit

3D Model Editor

Set Object Temperature...

Design Settings...

Model

Boundaries

Excitations

Hybrid

Mesh Operations

Analysis Setup

Optimetrics Analysis

Fields

Radiation

Results

Boundary Display (Solver View)

Design Properties...

Design Datasets...

Properties: BranchLineCoupler - HFSSDesign1

Local Variables

Value

Optimization / Design of Exper

Tuning

Sensitivity

Statistics

	Name	Inclu...	N...	Min	Unit	Max	Unit
	Lf	<input type="checkbox"/>	1...	5	mm	15	mm
	L1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2...	13.61	mm	40.83	mm
	L2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2...	13.5	mm	40.5	mm
	hs	<input type="checkbox"/>	0...	0.3935	mm	1.1805	mm
	hc	<input type="checkbox"/>	0...	0.0085	mm	0.0255	mm
	Wf	<input type="checkbox"/>	2....	1.165	mm	3.495	mm
	W1	<input type="checkbox"/>	2....	1.165	mm	3.495	mm
	W2	<input type="checkbox"/>	3....	1.91	mm	5.73	mm

Add...

Add Array...

Edit...

Remove

Show Hidden

确定

取消

应用(A)

Optimetrics -> Right click -> Add -> Optimization

Setup Optimization

Goals | Variables | General | Options

Optimizer: Quasi Newton(Gradient)

Max. No. of Iterations: 1000

Cost Function:

	Calc. Solution	Calculation	Calc. Range	Condition	Goal	Weight
	Setup1 : Sweep	dB(S(1,1))	Freq(1.95GHz:2.05GHz)	<=	[-15]	[1]
	Setup1 : Sweep	dB(S(2,1))	Freq(1.95GHz:2.05GHz)	>=	[-3.3]	[1]
	Setup1 : Sweep	dB(S(3,1))	Freq(1.95GHz:2.05GHz)	>=	[-3.3]	[1]
	Setup1 : Sweep	dB(S(4,1))	Freq(1.95GHz:2.05GHz)	<=	[-20]	[1]
	Setup1 : Sweep	abs(dB(S(2,1))-dB(S(3,1)))	Freq(2GHz)	<=	[0.1]	[1]

Setup Calculations... Delete


Acceptable Cost: 0 Noise: 0.0001 ☐ Show Advanced Option:

Edit Variables HPC and Analysis Options...

确定 取消



Optimetrics -> OptimizationSetup1 -> Right Click -> View Analysis Result

Post Analysis Display

OptimizationSetup1 

Options...

Result | Profile

View:  Table  Plot

Evaluation	L1	L2	Cost
35	27.21mm	29.04mm	0.048263
19	27.41mm	29.03mm	0.043201
12	24.81mm	31.73mm	0.042673
25	27.22mm	29.01mm	0.039691
38	26.69mm	29.27mm	0.039569
15	27.18mm	29.03mm	0.036931
14	26.75mm	29.57mm	0.03134
16	27.22mm	28.98mm	0.026496
30	27.23mm	29.03mm	0.024031
13	26.05mm	30.34mm	0.022766
41	26.94mm	29.11mm	0.020355
20	27.22mm	29.22mm	0.0089928
36	27.2mm	29.04mm	0.0077741
42	27.08mm	29.07mm	0.0076963
39	27.19mm	29.04mm	0.0066443
32	27.2mm	29.03mm	0.0059549
1	27.22mm	29.03mm	0.0038659
26	27.2mm	29.03mm	0.0028261
40	27.2mm	29.03mm	2.7732e-05
31	27.2mm	29.04mm	8.1814e-06

Export...

Apply

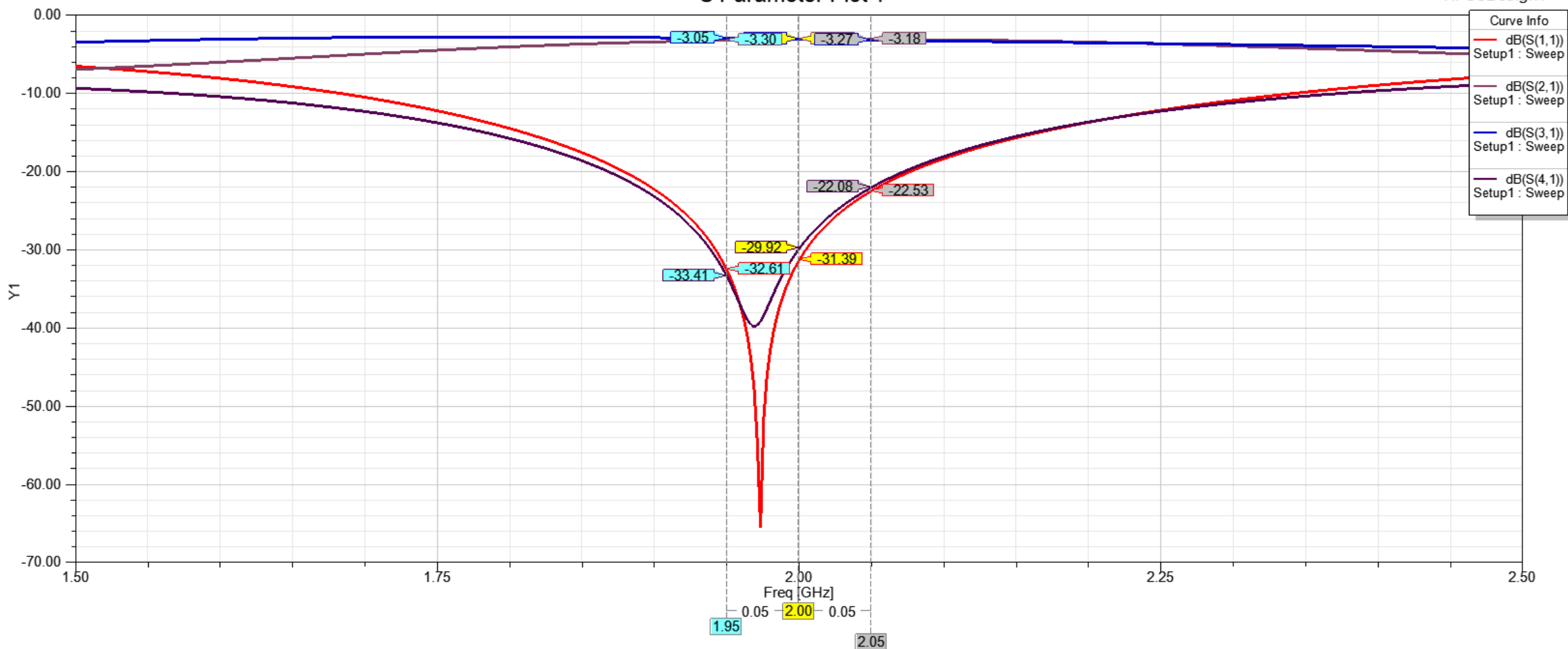
Revert

Revert to: hc='0.017mm' hs='0.787mm' L1='27.2016967569325mm' L2='29.0355396672124mm' Lf='10mm' W1='2.33mm' W2='3.82mm' Wf='2.33mm'

Close

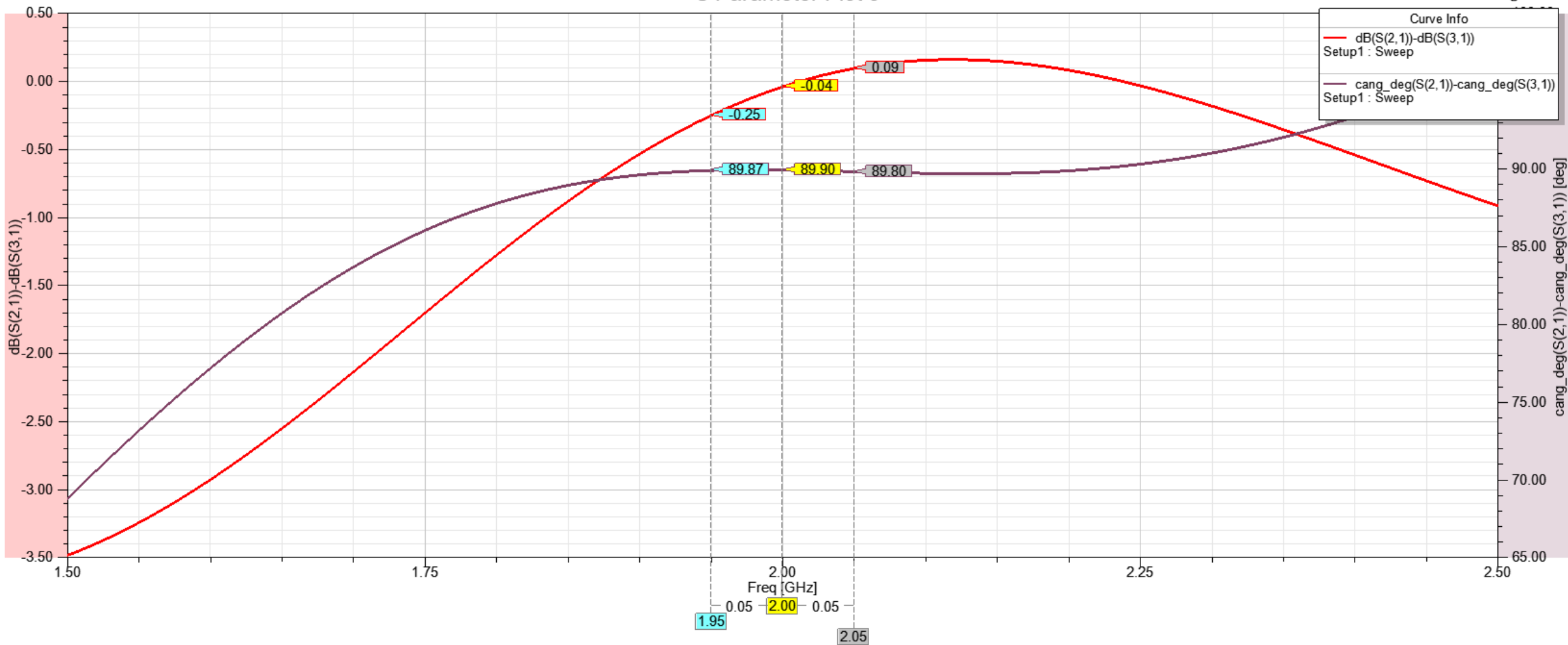
S Parameter Plot 1

HFSSDesign1



S Parameter Plot 3

HFSSDesign1



Homework

- Design a Branch Line Coupler in ADS and HFSS
- Center Frequency: 1.45 GHz
- Bandwidth: 100MHz
- Substrate: FR4, thickness: 1.6mm
- $S_{11} < -15\text{dB}$, $S_{21} > -3.3\text{dB}$, $S_{31} > -3.3\text{dB}$, $S_{41} < -20\text{dB}$
- $\text{abs}(S_{31}-S_{21}) < 0.1\text{dB}$ at center frequency
- $89^\circ < |\text{phase}(S_{31})-\text{phase}(S_{21})| < 91^\circ$ at center frequency
- Optimization