

# Transmission Lines

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- Transmission lines connect inputs to loads
  - $l$  is the length of the transmission lines
  - If  $l$  is not much smaller than  $\lambda$ , we need detailed analysis
  - If  $l$  is comparable to  $\lambda$ , then we can not use the lumped parameter model
  - We can, however, partition the transmission lines into segments where  $l \ll \lambda$ , then we can apply Kirchoff's circuit laws to each subdivided segment
  - For an imperfect dielectric, there is some loss
  - Some per unit-length properties:
    1. Resistance per unit length:  $R'$  (ohm per meter)

$$R = R' \Delta z$$

2. Inductance per unit length:  $L'$  (Henry per meter)

$$L = L' \Delta z$$

3. Capacitance per unit length:  $C'$  (Farad per meter)

$$C = C' \Delta z$$

4. Conductance per unit length:  $G'$  (Siemens per meter)

$$G = G' \Delta z$$

- Using this, we obtain the Helmholtz Equation:

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{V}(z)}{dz^2} - \gamma^2 \tilde{V}(z) = 0$$

- Where  $\gamma = \sqrt{(j\omega C' + G')(j\omega L' + R')}$