



# EP2A04 TUTORIAL 4

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## QUESTION 2.5

For the parallel-plate transmission line of Problem 2.4, the line parameters are given by  $R' = 1 \Omega/m$ ,  $L' = 167 \text{ nH}/m$ ,  $G' = 0$  and  $C' = 172 \text{ pF}/m$ . Find  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $u_p$  and  $Z_0$  at  $1 \text{ GHz}$ .

Givens:

$$\begin{aligned}R' &= 1 \Omega/m \\L' &= 167 \text{ nH}/m \\G' &= 0 \\C' &= 172 \text{ pF}/m \\f &= 1 \text{ GHz}\end{aligned}$$

Plan:

- Find  $\gamma = \alpha + j\beta$
- Isolate real and imaginary components
- Use  $\beta$  and  $\omega$  to obtain  $u_p$
- Find  $Z_0$  using the transmission line parameters

Unknowns:  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $u_p$ ,  $Z_0$

Find  $\gamma = \alpha + j\beta$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &= \sqrt{(R' + j\omega L')(G' + j\omega C')} \\ \gamma &= \sqrt{(1 + j(2\pi \times 10^9)(167 \times 10^{-9}))(j(2\pi \times 10^9)(172 \times 10^{-12}))} \\ \gamma &= 0.016 + j33.7\end{aligned}$$

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Isolate real and imaginary components

$$\alpha = \Re\{\gamma\} = \Re\{0.016 + j33.7\} = 0.016 \frac{\text{Np}}{m}$$

$$\beta = \Im\{\gamma\} = \Im\{0.016 + j33.7\} = 33.7 \frac{\text{rad}}{m}$$

Use  $\beta$  and  $\omega$  to obtain  $u_p$

$$u_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi f}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi(1 \times 10^9)}{33.7} = 1.86 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

Find  $Z_0$  using the transmission line parameters

$$\begin{aligned} Z_0 &= \sqrt{\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1 + j(2\pi \times 10^9)(167 \times 10^{-9})}{j(2\pi \times 10^9)(172 \times 10^{-12})}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1 + j1049.3}{j1.081}} = \sqrt{970.7 - j0.9251} \\ &= \sqrt{970.7} e^{-j9.53 \times 10^{-4}} = 31.2 e^{-j4.765 \times 10^{-4}} \\ &= (31.2 - j0.015) \Omega \end{aligned}$$

## QUESTION 2.6

A coaxial line with inner and outer conductor diameters of 0.5 cm and 1 cm, respectively, is filled with an insulating material with  $\epsilon_r = 4.5$  and  $\sigma = 10^{-3} \text{ S/m}$ . The conductors are made of copper. Calculate the line parameters at 1 GHz.

Givens:

$$d_{inner} = 0.5 \text{ cm}$$

$$d_{outer} = 1 \text{ cm}$$

$$\epsilon_r = 4.5$$

$$\sigma = 10^{-3} \frac{\text{S}}{\text{m}}$$

$$f = 1 \text{ GHz}$$

Hidden givens:

Copper parameters!

$$\sigma_{Cu} = 5.8 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}$$

$$\mu_{r-Cu} = 1$$

Unknowns:  $R', L', G', C'$

Plan:

- Compute  $R_S$
- Use the coaxial line formulae to compute the line parameters

Compute  $R_S$

$$\begin{aligned} R_S &= \sqrt{\frac{\pi f \mu_c}{\sigma_c}} = \sqrt{\pi(1 \times 10^9)(4\pi \times 10^{-7})/(5.8 \times 10^7)} \\ &= 8.2502 \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

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Use the coaxial line formulae to compute the line parameters

$$R' = \frac{R_S}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) = \frac{R_S}{2\pi} \left( \frac{2}{d_{inner}} + \frac{2}{d_{outer}} \right) = \frac{8.2502 \times 10^{-3}}{2\pi} \left( \frac{2}{0.5 \times 10^{-2}} + \frac{2}{1 \times 10^{-2}} \right) = 0.788 \text{ } \Omega/\text{m}$$

$$L' = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{d_{outer}}{d_{inner}} \right) = \frac{(4\pi \times 10^{-7})}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{1}{0.5} \right) = 1.39 \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$$

$$G' = \frac{2\pi\sigma}{\ln(b/a)} = \frac{2\pi \times 10^{-3}}{\ln(1/0.5)} = 9.06 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S/m}$$

$$C' = \frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln(b/a)} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_r\epsilon_0}{\ln(b/a)} = \frac{2\pi(4.5)(8.854 \times 10^{-12})}{\ln(1/0.5)} = 3.61 \times 10^{-10} \text{ F/m}$$

## QUESTION 2.18

Polyethylene with  $\epsilon_r = 2.25$  is used as the insulating material in a lossless coaxial line with a characteristic impedance of  $50\Omega$ . The radius of the inner conductor is  $1.2\text{ mm}$ . (A) What is the radius of the outer conductor? (B) What is the phase velocity of the line?

Givens:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_r &= 2.25 \\ Z_0 &= 50\ \Omega \\ a &= 1.2\text{ mm}\end{aligned}$$

Hidden givens:

Lossless! So...

$$R' = G' = 0$$

Plan:

- Write characteristic impedance equation using line parameters
- Solve for  $b$
- Compute the phase velocity

Write characteristic impedance equation using line parameters

Since  $R'$  and  $G'$  are 0, the equation simplifies to:

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R' + j\omega L'}{G' + j\omega C'}} = \sqrt{\frac{L'}{C'}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)}{\left(\frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln(b/a)}\right)}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{4\pi^2\epsilon} \left(\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{4\pi^2\epsilon}} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

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Solve for  $b$

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{4\pi^2\epsilon}} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$\frac{Z_0}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{4\pi^2\epsilon}}} = \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$b = a * \exp\left(\frac{Z_0}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{4\pi^2\epsilon}}}\right)$$

$$b = (1.2 \times 10^{-3}) * \exp\left(\frac{50}{\sqrt{\frac{4\pi \times 10^{-7}}{4\pi^2(2.25)(8.854 \times 10^{-12})}}}\right)$$

$$b = (1.2 \times 10^{-3}) * \exp\left(\frac{50}{\sqrt{\frac{10^5}{\pi(2.25)(8.854)}}}\right)$$

$$b = 4.2\text{ mm}$$

Compute the phase velocity

Lossless line, so...

$$u_p = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}$$

$$u_p = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{\sqrt{2.25}}$$

$$u_p = 2 \times 10^8\text{ m/s}$$



## QUESTION 2.27

At an operating frequency of 300 MHz, a lossless 50  $\Omega$  air-spaced transmission line 2.5 m in length is terminated with an impedance  $Z_L = (40 + j20) \Omega$ . Find the input impedance.

### Givens

$$f = 300 \text{ MHz}$$

$$Z_0 = 50 \Omega$$

$$l = 2.5 \text{ m}$$

$$Z_L = (40 + j20) \Omega$$

Unknowns:  $Z_i$

### Plan:

- Calculate the phase constant of the line
- Plug into the input impedance formula

Calculate the phase constant of the line

Since the line is air filled,  $u_p = c$ . Therefore...

$$\beta = \frac{\omega}{c} = \frac{2\pi(300 \times 10^6)}{3 \times 10^8} = 2\pi \text{ rad/s}$$

Plug into the input impedance formula

$$Z_i = Z_0 \frac{Z_L + jZ_0 \tan(\beta l)}{Z_0 + jZ_L \tan(\beta l)}$$

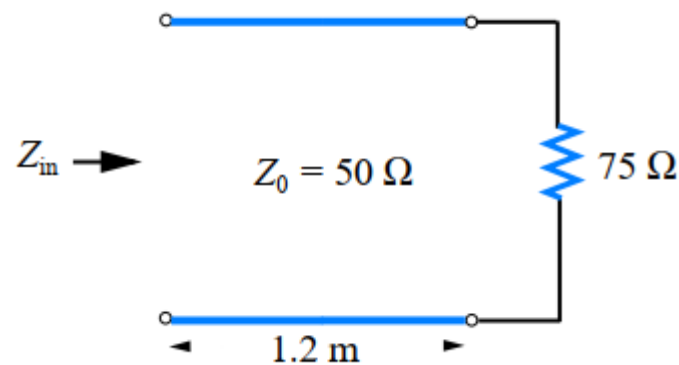
$$Z_i = 50 \frac{40 + j20 + j(50) \tan(2\pi(2.5))}{50 + j(40 + j20) \tan(2\pi(2.5))}$$

$$Z_i = 50 \frac{40 + j20}{50}$$

$$Z_i = (40 + j20) \Omega$$

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For the lossless transmission line circuit shown in the figure, determine the equivalent series lumped-element circuit at  $400\text{ MHz}$  at the input to the line. The line has a characteristic impedance of  $50\ \Omega$  and the insulating layer has  $\epsilon_r = 2.25$ .



Givens

$$f = 400\text{ MHz}$$

$$Z_0 = 50\ \Omega$$

$$l = 1.2\text{ m}$$

$$Z_L = 75\ \Omega$$

$$\epsilon_r = 2.25$$

Unknowns:  $Z_i$

Plan:

- Compute phase constant of line
- Compute equivalent input impedance
- Design equivalent circuit based on impedance

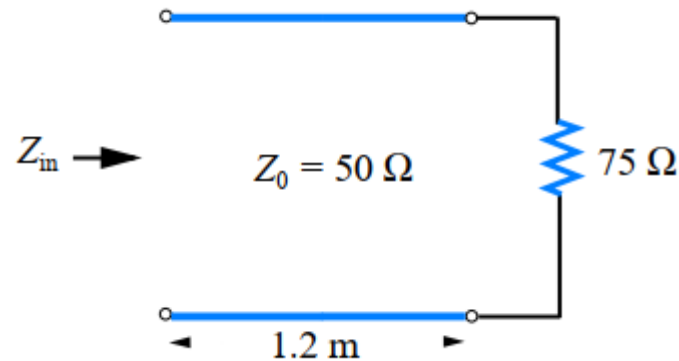
Compute phase constant of line

$$\text{Lossless line, so } u_p = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{\sqrt{2.25}} = 2 \times 10^8\text{ m/s}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\omega}{u_p} = \frac{2\pi(400 \times 10^6)}{2 \times 10^8} = 4\pi\text{ rad/m}$$

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Compute equivalent input impedance

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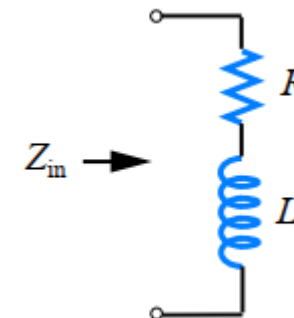
$$Z_i = 50 \frac{75 + j(50) \tan((4\pi)(1.2))}{50 + j(75) \tan((4\pi)(1.2))}$$

$$Z_i = 50 \frac{75 - j36.327}{50 - j54.491}$$

$$Z_i = (52.38 + j20.76)\ \Omega$$

Design equivalent circuit based on impedance

*Imaginary part is positive, so if this is a series circuit, it must be a resistor and an inductor!*



$$R = 52.38\ \Omega$$

$$L = \frac{20.76}{\omega} = 8.3\text{ nH}$$

# REMINDER

- Assignment 4 is out now, and is due at 8AM on February 14
- 4 calculation questions, 1 research question, 1 bonus derivation question
- Submit PDFs please!
- Good luck!