50Ω to 25Ω Microstrip Lines Design and Simulation

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Overview

Design

Quarter Wave Transformer

 50Ω to 25Ω



Simulation

CST Modeling Animation



Measurement

Circuit soldering
Calibration



Comparison

Quarter Wave Transformer

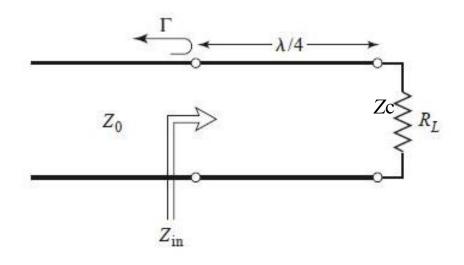
Impedance of Quarter-wave

$$Z_{\rm in} = \frac{Z_c^2}{R_L}$$
, $Z_c = \sqrt{Z_{\rm in} R_L}$ (2.62)

Length of Quarter-wave

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon \cdot \mu}} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^8}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_r}} \frac{m}{s}$$
Effective permittivity

$$\lambda/4 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{v}{f}$$



$$Z_{\rm in} = Z_0$$
, $\Gamma = 0$

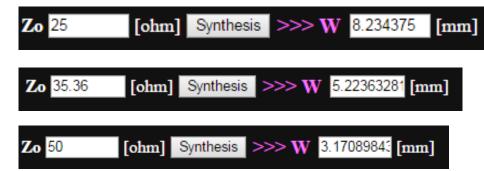
Microstrip Lines Width Calculation

Equations from Pozar

$$\epsilon_e = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 + 12d/W)}}$$
 (3.195)

$$Z_0 = \frac{120 \,\pi}{\sqrt{\epsilon_e \left[\frac{W}{d} + 1.393 + 0.667 \ln\left(\frac{W}{d} + 1.444\right)\right]}} \text{ for } W/d \ge 1 \quad \textbf{(3.196)}$$

| Lines | Width (mm) |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 25Ω Line | 8.375 |
| $\lambda/4$ Transformer | 5.360 |
| 50Ω Line | 3.277 |



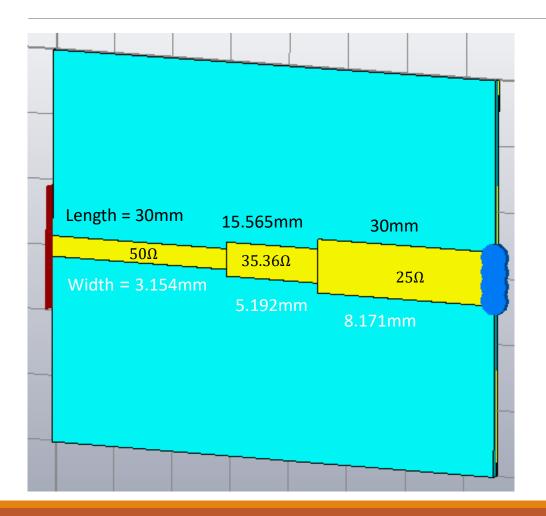
$$d = 1.160mm$$

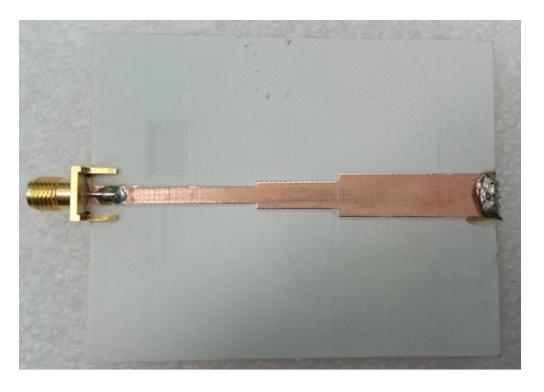
$$\epsilon_r = 2.55$$

Verification from http://www1.sphere.ne.jp/i-lab/ilab/tool/ms_line_e.htm

Design Modeling & Building

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Preparing for measurement

Calibrating the Vector Network Analyzer

Short-Open-Load Calibration

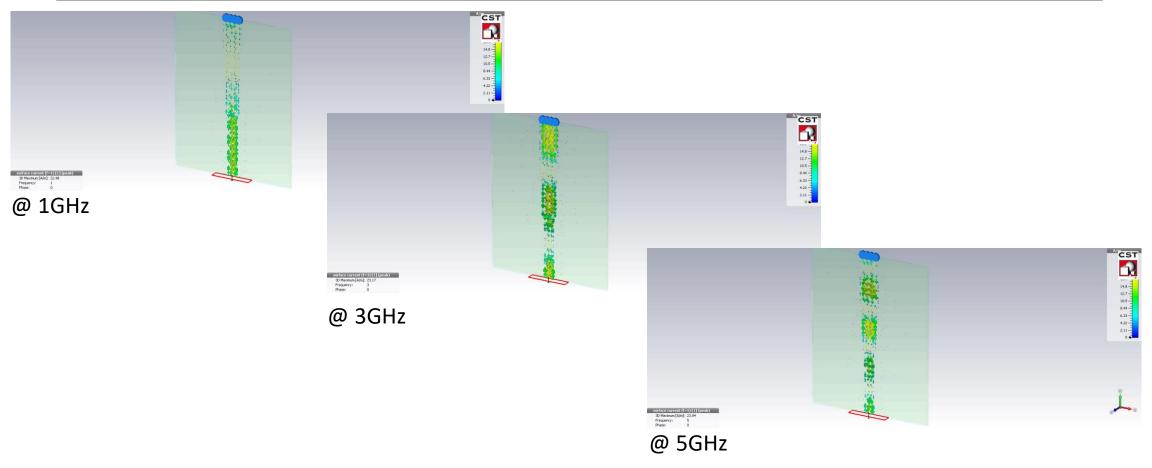
3.5mm Calibration Kit





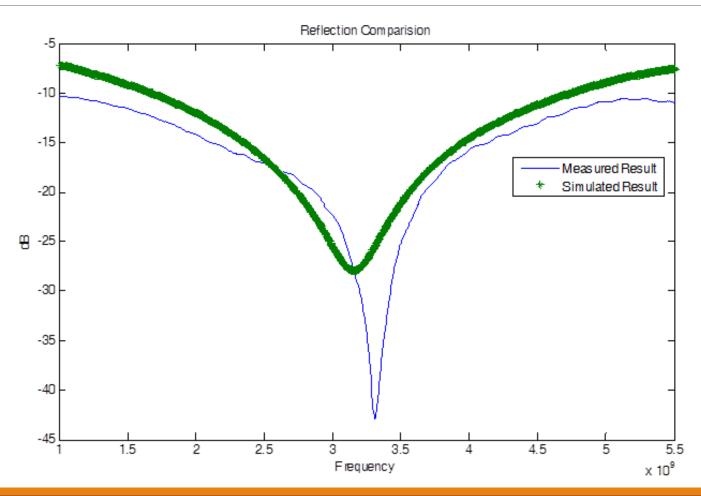
CST Simulation

Animations in Frequency Domain



Results Comparison

Measurement & Simulation



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Questions?