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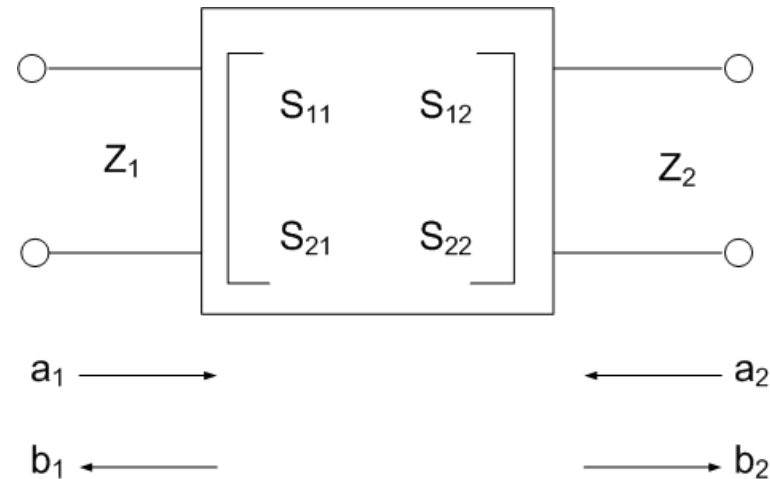
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Lecture 2

The Scattering Matrix



Define normalized waves : $a_1 = \frac{V_1^+}{\sqrt{Z_1}}$ $a_2 = \frac{V_2^+}{\sqrt{Z_2}}$ with $V_j = V_j^+ + V_j^-$

$$b_1 = \frac{V_1^-}{\sqrt{Z_1}} \quad b_2 = \frac{V_2^-}{\sqrt{Z_2}} \quad \text{with } I_j = \frac{V_j^+}{Z_j} - \frac{V_j^-}{Z_j}$$

$v_j = \frac{V_j}{\sqrt{Z_j}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_j}} [V_j^+ + V_j^-] = a_j + b_j$ defines normalized voltage at port j

$i_j = I_j \sqrt{Z_j} = \sqrt{Z_j} \left[\frac{V_j^+}{Z_j} - \frac{V_j^-}{Z_j} \right] = a_j - b_j$ defines normalized current at port j

Scattering Parameters

For a linear device (small - signal) we have a linear relationship between a's and b's :

$$b_1 = S_{11}a_1 + S_{12}a_2$$

$$b_2 = S_{21}a_1 + S_{22}a_2$$

In matrix form :

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = S \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_{11} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0}$$

Input reflection coefficient with output matched

$$S_{21} = \left. \frac{b_2}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0}$$

Forward transmission coefficient with output matched

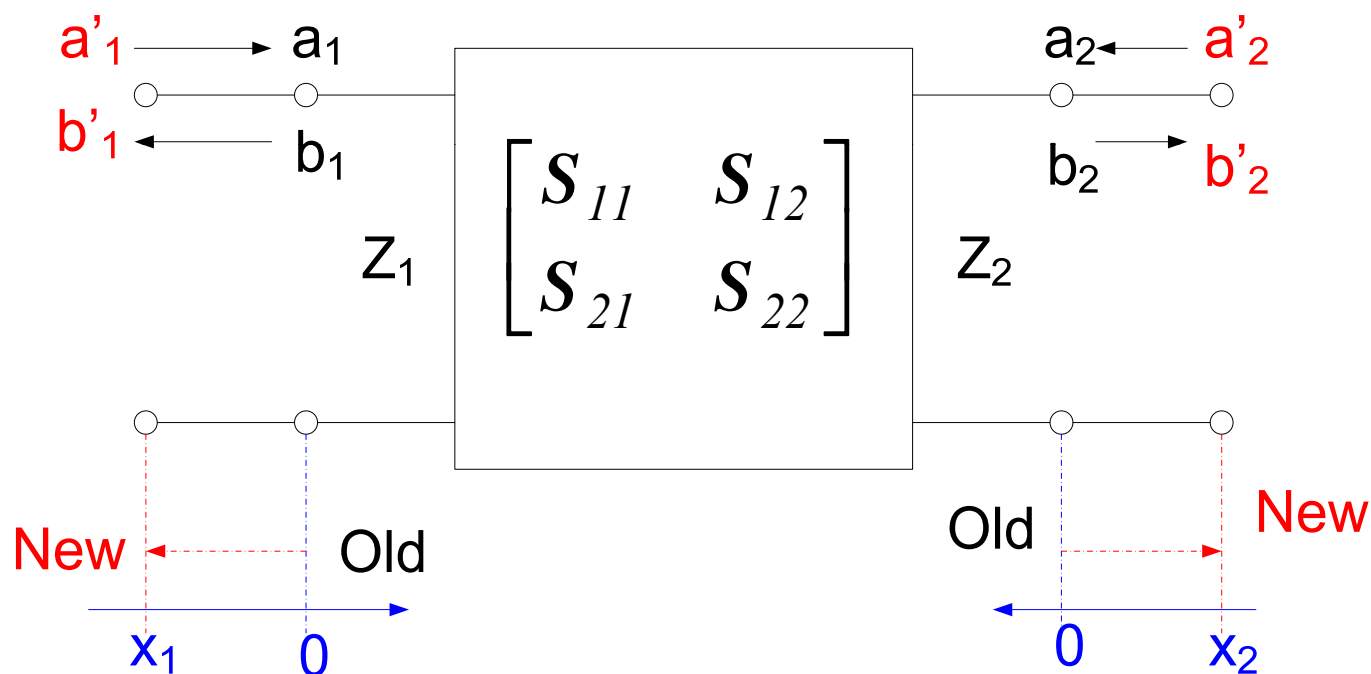
$$S_{22} = \left. \frac{b_2}{a_2} \right|_{a_1=0}$$

Output reflection coefficient with input matched

$$S_{12} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_2} \right|_{a_1=0}$$

Reverse transmission coefficient with input matched

Shifting reference planes for lossless lines



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Consider an incident wave a_l' at port l and reflected wave b_k' at port k . The new incident wave a_l' at port l and reflected wave b_k' at port k after we respectively shift the reference planes by l_l and l_k are

$$b_k' = b_k e^{-j\beta_k x_k} = b_k e^{-j\theta_k}$$

$$\text{with } \theta_k = \beta_k x_k$$

$$a_l' = a_l e^{j\beta_l x_l} = a_l e^{j\theta_l}$$

$$\text{with } \theta_l = \beta_l x_l$$

$$S_{kl}' = \left. \frac{b_k'}{a_l'} \right|_{a_{i \neq l} = 0} = \left. \frac{b_k e^{-j\theta_k}}{a_l e^{j\theta_l}} \right|_{a_{i \neq l} = 0} = S_{kl} e^{-j(\theta_k + \theta_l)} \quad (\text{phase correction})$$

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This means that our scattering parameters in terms of the primed quantities now become

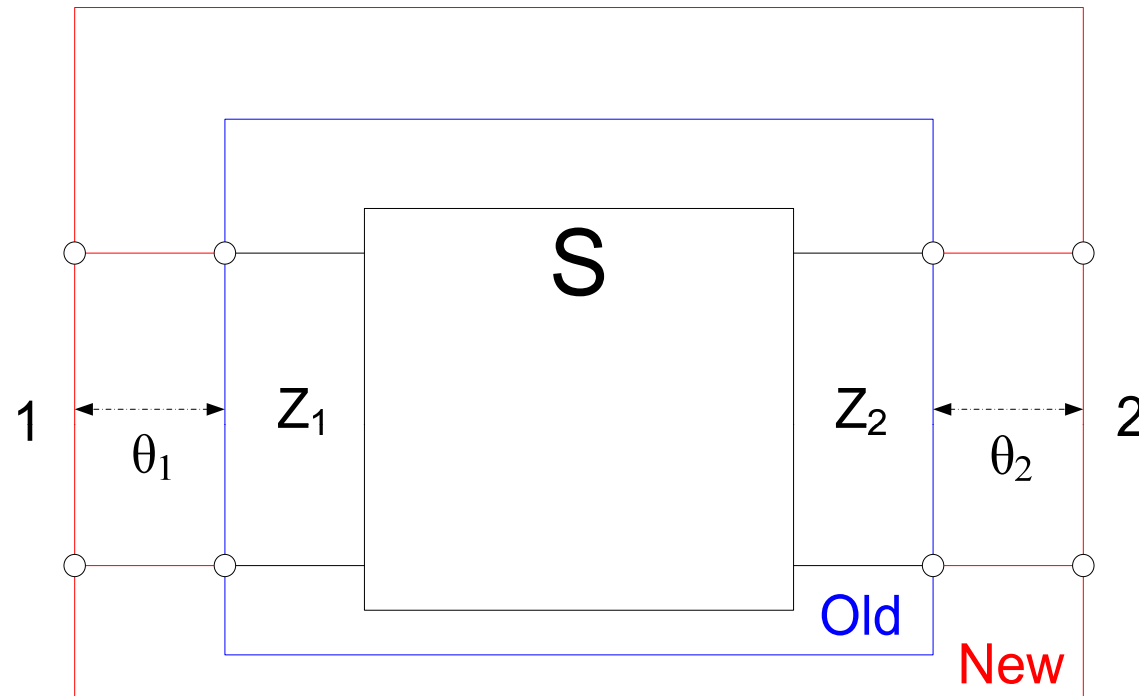
$$S'_{nm} = \left. \frac{b'_n}{a'_m} \right|_{a'_{k \neq m} = 0} = \frac{b_n}{a_m} \bigg|_{a_{k \neq m} = 0} e^{-j(\beta_m x_m + \beta_n x_n)} = S_{nm} e^{-j(\theta_m + \theta_n)}$$

with $\theta_n = \beta_n d_n$

The relationship between matrices can be written more conveniently as

$$[S'] = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\theta_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\theta_2} & & 0 \\ 0 & & & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & e^{-j\theta_N} \end{bmatrix} [S]$$

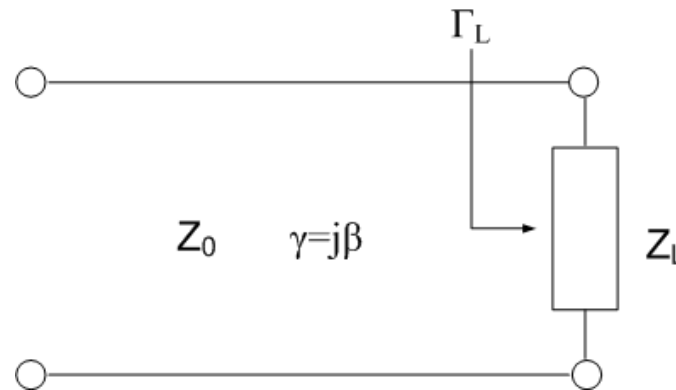
2 Port example



$$S'_{kl} = S_{kl} e^{-j(\theta_k + \theta_l)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S'_{11} & S'_{12} \\ S'_{21} & S'_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\theta_1} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\theta_1} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\theta_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

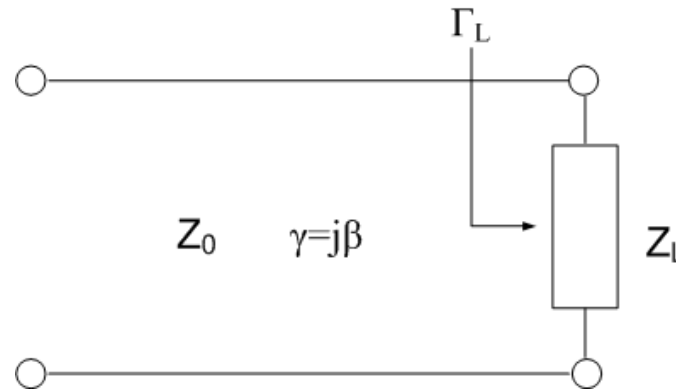
Properties of Scattering Parameters



Power dissipated by the load :

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_L &= \operatorname{Re}\{VI^*\}\bigg|_{rms} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}\{VI^*\}\bigg|_{amplitude} \\
 &= \operatorname{Re}\left\{ (V^+ + V^-) \left(\frac{V^+}{Z_0} - \frac{V^-}{Z_0} \right)^* \right\} \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} - \frac{|V^-|^2}{Z_0} = P^+ - P^- \quad (\text{incident minus reflected power})
 \end{aligned}$$

Properties of Scattering Parameters



In terms of normalized waves (add 1/2 factor for amplitude)

$$P_L = \operatorname{Re}\left\{V I^*\right\}_{rms} = |a|^2 - |b|^2 = P^+ - P^-$$

with

$$P^+ = \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} = |a|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad P^- = \frac{|V^-|^2}{Z_0} = |b|^2$$

Given $b = \Gamma_L a$ we have:

$$P_L = |a|^2 (1 - |\Gamma_L|^2) = P_L = P^+ (1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)$$

Two Port Network Parameter conversion

To convert Z parameters to S parameters

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{I}$$

Using matrix notation ($V = V^+ + V^-$ and $I = I^+ - I^-$)

and assuming $Z_1 = Z_2 = Z_0$ we have, $V^+ + V^- = Z(I^+ - I^-)$

Using $I^\pm = \frac{1}{Z_0} V^\pm$ we can rearrange this equation as :

$$(Z + Z_0 U)I^- = (Z - Z_0 U)I^+$$

with U the identity matrix.

$$S = \frac{b}{a} = \frac{V^-}{V^+} = \frac{I^-}{I^+} = (Z + Z_0 U)^{-1} (Z - Z_0 U)$$

$$\text{Conversely : } Z = Z_0 (1 + S)(1 - S)^{-1}$$

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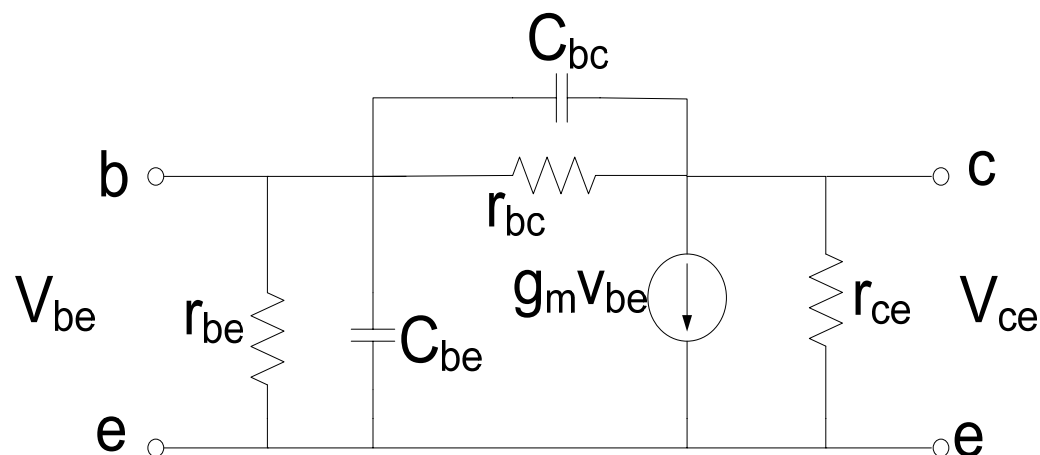
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Various Types of Transistor

- Device Types : family FET's or Bipolar transistors
 - FET : C - MOSFET LDMOSFET HEMT/MODFET
 - Bipolar : BJT HBT DHBT
- Materials :
 - Si (C - MOSFET, BJT), SiGe (HBT's)
 - GaAs, AlGaAs/GaAs (1st generation of HEMTs/HBTs)
 - InP - InGaAs/AlInAs (2nd generation of HEMT's/HBT's)
 - GaN/AlGaN (NEW : high temperature, high power)
- Technology :
 - horizontal resolution (e.g. gate - length L_g) is set by lithography
 - vertical resolution is set by process or growth (MBE)

Various Types of Transistor

- Short - circuit Unity current - gain f_T for BJT :
 - defined using $|h_{21}(\omega_T)| = \left| \frac{y_{21}}{y_{11}} \right| \left| \frac{z_{21}}{z_{22}} \right| = 1$
- Maximum frequency of oscillation : f_{\max} :
 - defined using $U(f_{\max}) = 1$ with U unilateral power gain (defined below)
- Noise Figure F (Chapter 4)
- Maximum Power Gain MAG (Chapter 3)
- Output Power P_{1dB} (Chapter 4)



$$h_{21}(\omega) = \frac{i_c}{i_b} = \frac{\beta}{1 + j \frac{\omega}{\omega_\beta}} \quad \text{with } \omega_\beta = \frac{1}{r_{be}(C_{be} + C_{bc})}$$

From $|h_{21}(\omega_T)| = 1$ we find that the intrinsic f_T is :

$$f_T \approx \beta f_\beta \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{g_m}{C_{be}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\tau_{ec}} \quad \text{with } \tau_{ec} = \tau_b + \tau_c$$

where τ_b and τ_c are the base and collector propagation times.

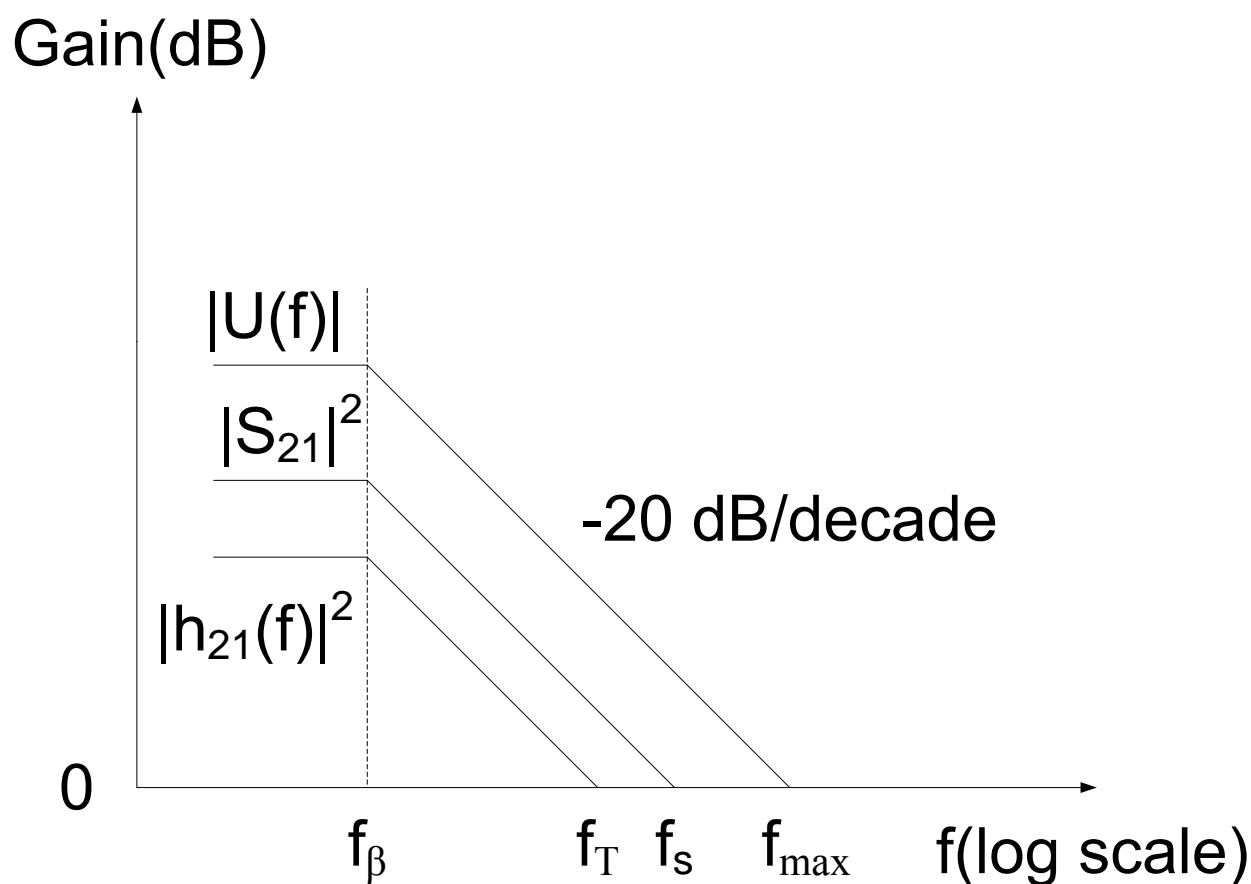
Unilateral Power Gain

$$U = \frac{|y_{21} - y_{12}|^2}{4[\operatorname{Re}(y_{11})\operatorname{Re}(y_{22}) - \operatorname{Re}(y_{12})\operatorname{Re}(y_{21})]}$$
$$= \frac{|z_{21} - z_{12}|^2}{4[\operatorname{Re}(z_{11})\operatorname{Re}(z_{22}) - \operatorname{Re}(z_{12})\operatorname{Re}(z_{21})]}$$

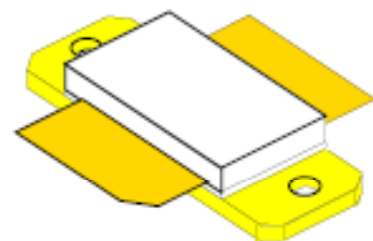
- U is the MAG (maximum available power) gain for a unilateralized device ($S_{12} = 0$)
- $U(f_{\max}) = 1$
- U and therefore f_{\max} are invariant under loss - less loading
- For frequencies larger than f_{\max} the device becomes passive
- f_{\max} is the maximum frequency of oscillation of the device
- For the intrinsic BJT, f_{\max} is approximately given by :

$$f_{\max} \approx \sqrt{\frac{f_T}{8\pi r_{be} C_{be}}}$$

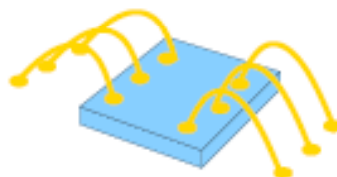
Frequency Characteristics of U and h_{21}



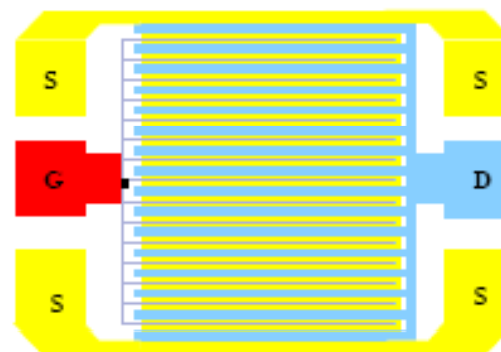
Device Packaging



Packaged



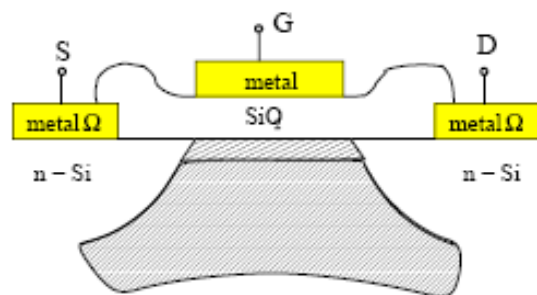
Chip



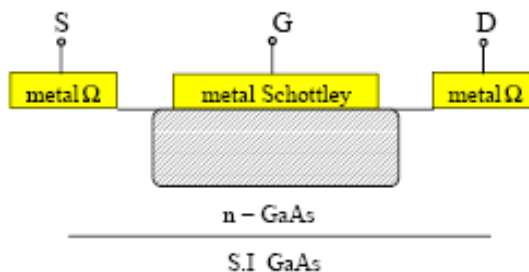
On-Wafer

- The device packaging impacts the device characteristics
- Direct on-wafer measurement of transistors can be used for RFIC and MMIC design
- Package or bond-wire modeling is required for packaged and chip devices respectively

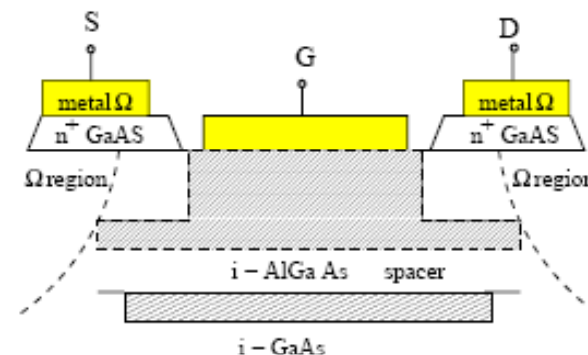
Field Effect Transistors



MOSFET



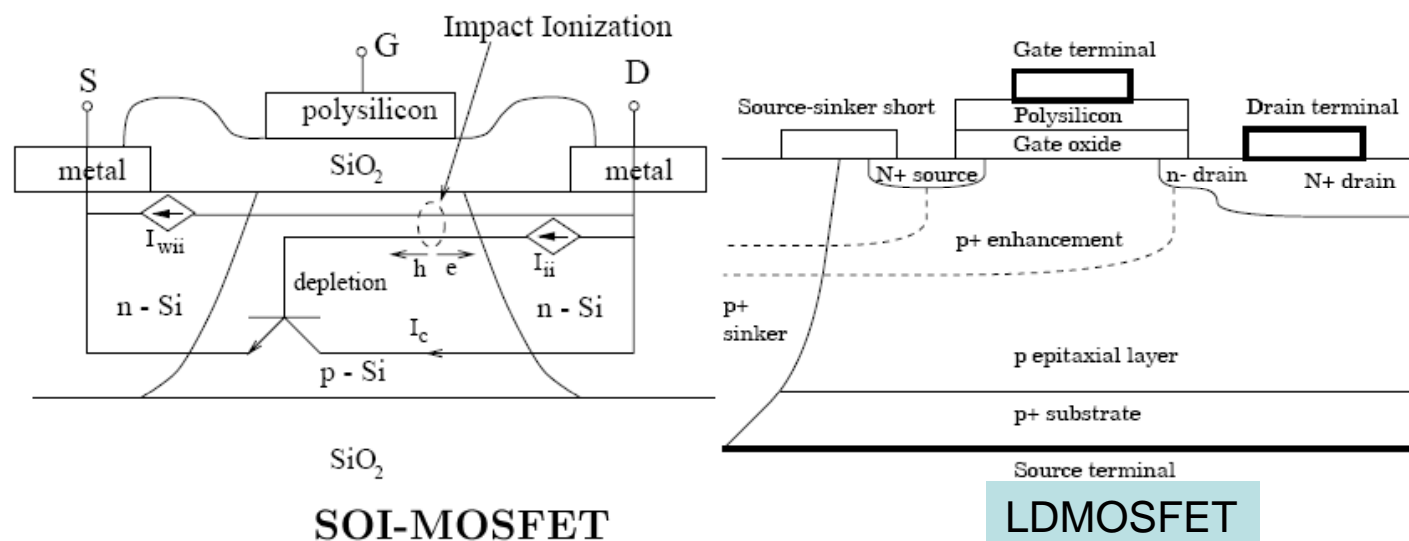
MESFET



HEMT

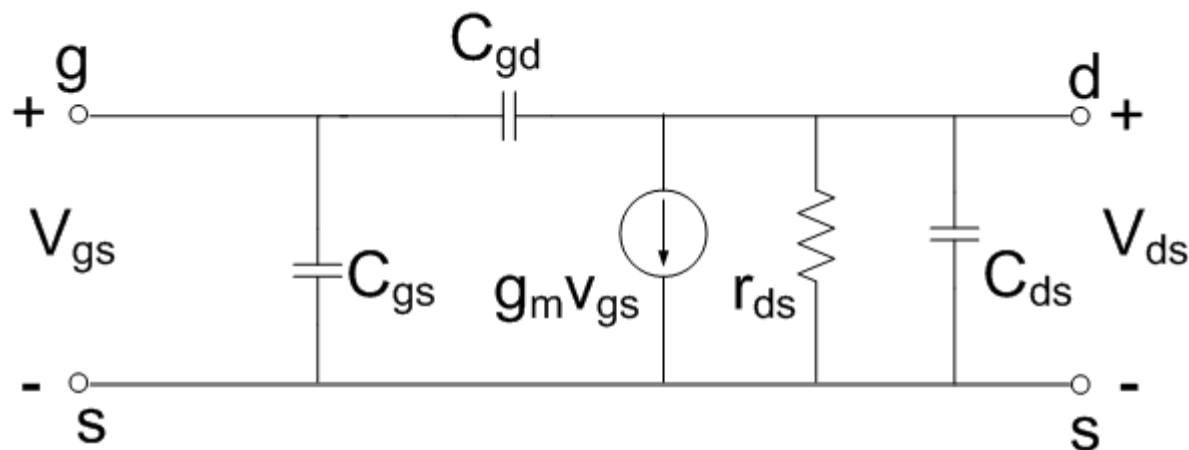
- C-MOSFET (Si)
- MESFET (GaAs)
- HEMT/MODFET

Field Effect Transistors



- SOI-MOSFETs provide high-frequency performance thanks to their insulated SiO_2 substrate but are affected by a kink in their IV's due to their parasitic bipolar transistor.
- LD-MOSFETs use a laterally doped diffused drain junction to achieve high-voltage breakdown for high power applications up to 2 GHz

Field Effect Transistors



$$f_T \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{g_m}{C_{gs}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{v_s}{L_g} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\tau_c}$$

where v_s is the electron saturation velocity, L_g the gate length and τ_c the channel propagation time constant.

$$f_{\max} = \frac{f_T}{2} \sqrt{\frac{r_{ds}}{r_i}}$$

Comparison of Various Technologies

Technology	Circuit freq. range (GHz)	f_t (GHz)	f_{max} (GHz)	BV_{off} (V)	P_{out} (freq, bias, size)	PAE (%)	NF_{min}/G_a (dB)
Si CMOS 0.1 μm NMOS	$\rightarrow 3-4$	55 > 150					0.51/18.5 (2 GHz) 2.4/5.5 (10 GHz)
Si BJT		26-50 100 (R&D)	40-80	3-7			
SiGe HBT	1-30 40 GHz VCO	40-60 130 (R&D)	50-80 160? (R&D)	3-6	630 mW (2 GHz)	80	0.8/13 (2 GHz) 0.9/- (10 GHz, R&D)
GaAs HBT	0.9-64	60 170 (R&D)	100 224 (R&D)	10-30	4.33 W/mm (20 GHz, 10.5 V) 0.77 W/mm (3.4 V)	66 61	0.83/16.9 (2 GHz) 1.1/11 (4 GHz) 1.7/10 (18 GHz)
InP HBT (mostly DHBT)	2-94	60-180 250 (SHBT, R&D)	90-200 800 (SHBT, R&D)	5-20	2.7 W/mm (10 GHz, SHBT) 7.5 W/mm (10 GHz) 4.9 W/mm (18 GHz) 1.9 W/mm (30 GHz)	43 54 36	0.46/- (2 GHz) 2/- (10 GHz) 3.3/- (18 GHz)

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0.4 μm GaAs MESFET (HP)	—26	31–23	55	12	0.65 W/mm (18 GHz, 6 V)		
0.25 μm GaAs PHEMT	—50	64	> 120	10	0.65 W/mm (40 GHz, 5 V)	> 30	1.3/- (18 GHz)
0.1–0.15 μm GaAs PHEMT	12–94	90–120	150–290		2.8 W (77 GHz, 5 V)	48	0.38/10.5 (12 GHz)
				8	0.72 W/mm (44 GHz)	26	1.5/- (60 GHz)
				9	0.60 W/mm (60 GHz)	29	2.1 (94 GHz)
				5	0.40 W/mm (94 GHz)	13	
0.2 μm InP HEMT	50–94	110	3–400?		0.45 W/mm (60 GHz, 4 V)	26	
0.1 μm InP HEMT	12–213	160–210 340 (R&D)	3–400?	5	0.40 W/mm (40 GHz, 2.5 V)		0.35/16.8 (12 GHz)
				6	0.21 W/mm (60 GHz, 2 V)		0.8/8.9 (60 GHz)
					0.34 W/mm (60 GHz, 3 V)	42	1.2/7.2 (94 GHz)
					0.53 W/mm (60 GHz, 4 V)	39	
0.15–0.25 μm (Al)GaN HEMT	4–20	73	140	\rightarrow 100	470 mW (8 GHz, 150 μm)	46	1.2/- (10 GHz)
					3 W (4 GHz, 2 mm, $L_g = 1 \mu\text{m}$)	30	

Non-Quasi-Static Models

- Static Model (valid at DC)

$$y_{22} = g_{22}$$

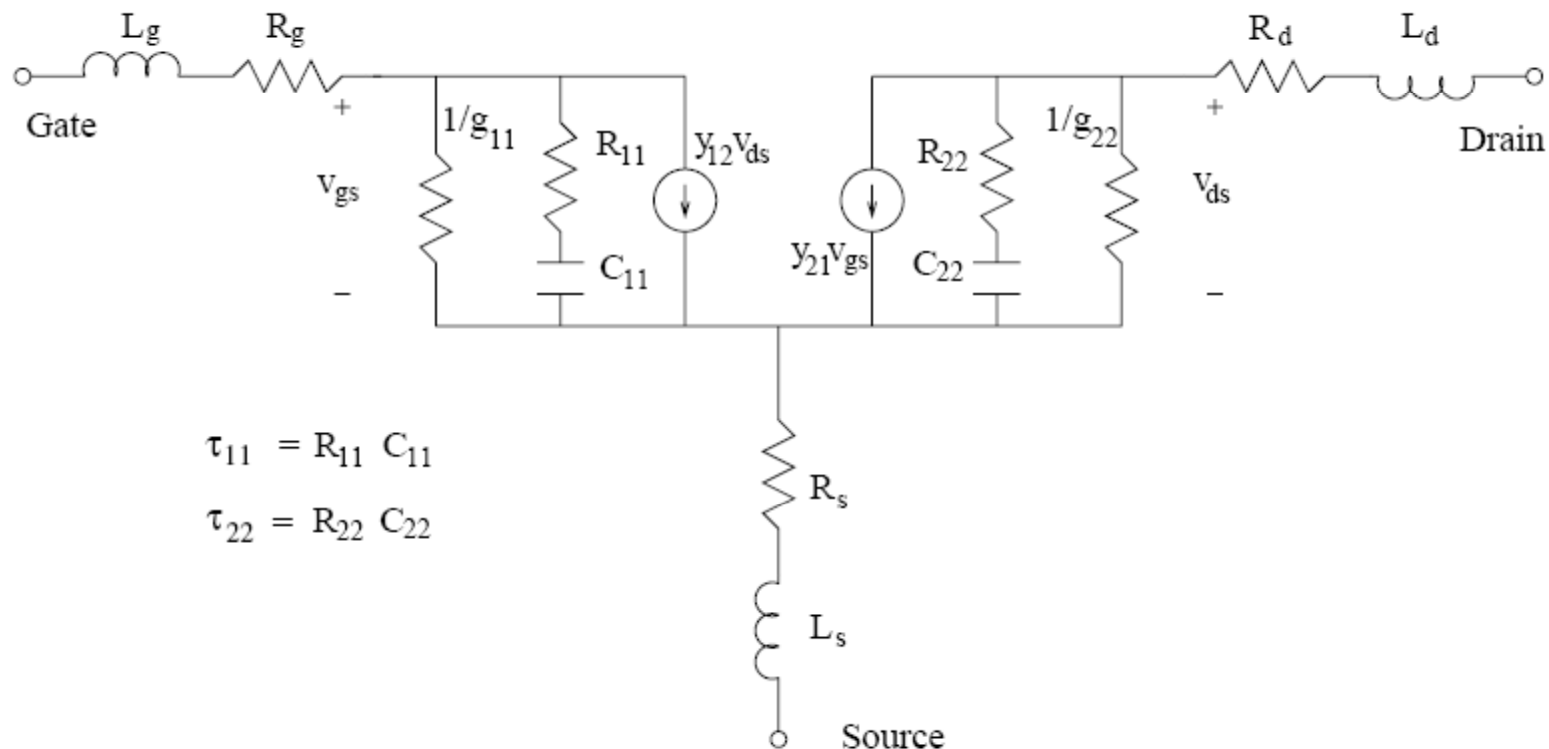
- Quasi - static model (typically valid up to f_T) :

$$y_{22} = g_{22} + j\omega C_{22}$$

- Non - quasi - static model (1st order) (typically valid up to intrinsic f_{\max})

$$y_{22} = g_{22} + \frac{j\omega C_{22}}{1 + j\omega\tau_{22}} \text{ with } \tau_{22} \text{ the channel charging time constant of } C_{22}$$

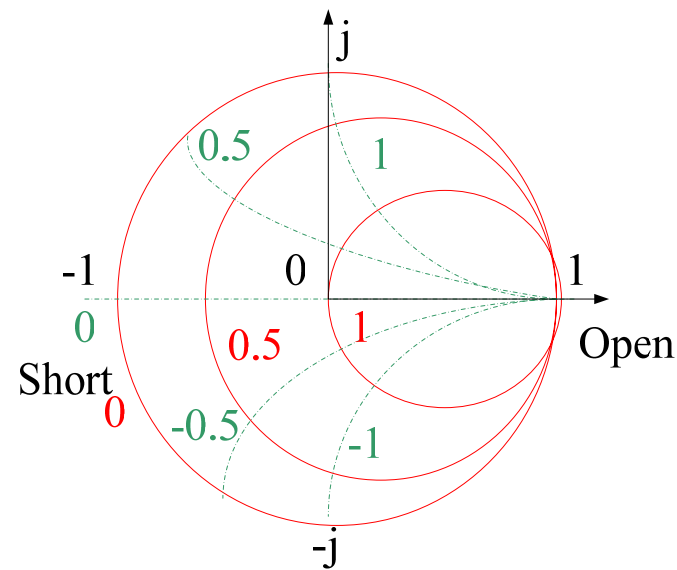
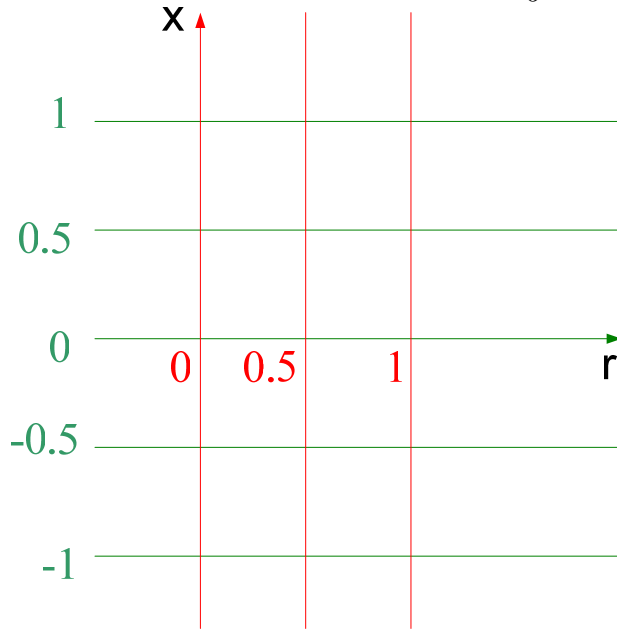
Non-Quasi-Static Models



The Smith Chart

Bilateral Transform connecting the impedance Z and the Reflection coefficient Γ . The smith chart maps the z -plane on the Γ plane

$$\Gamma = \frac{Z - Z_0}{Z + Z_0} = \frac{\frac{Z}{Z_0} - 1}{\frac{Z}{Z_0} + 1} = \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} \quad \text{with } z = \frac{Z}{Z_0} = r + jx$$



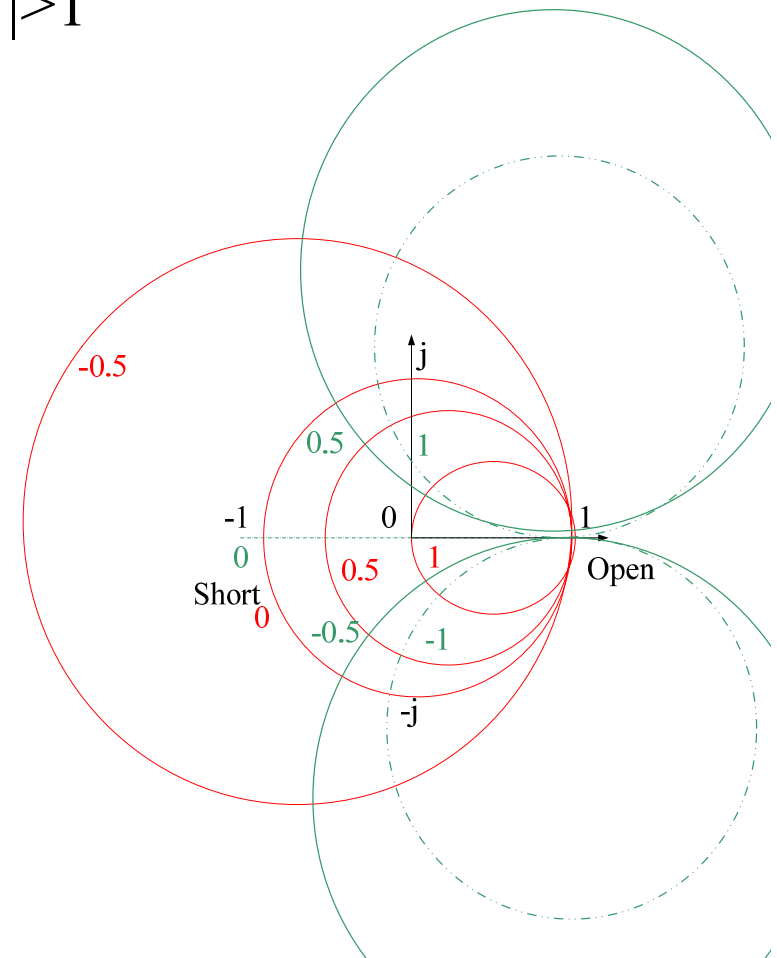
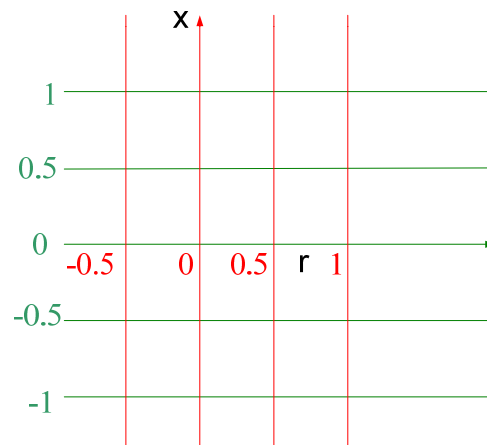
Extended Smith Chart

For negative resistance $r < 0$ we have $|\Gamma| > 1$

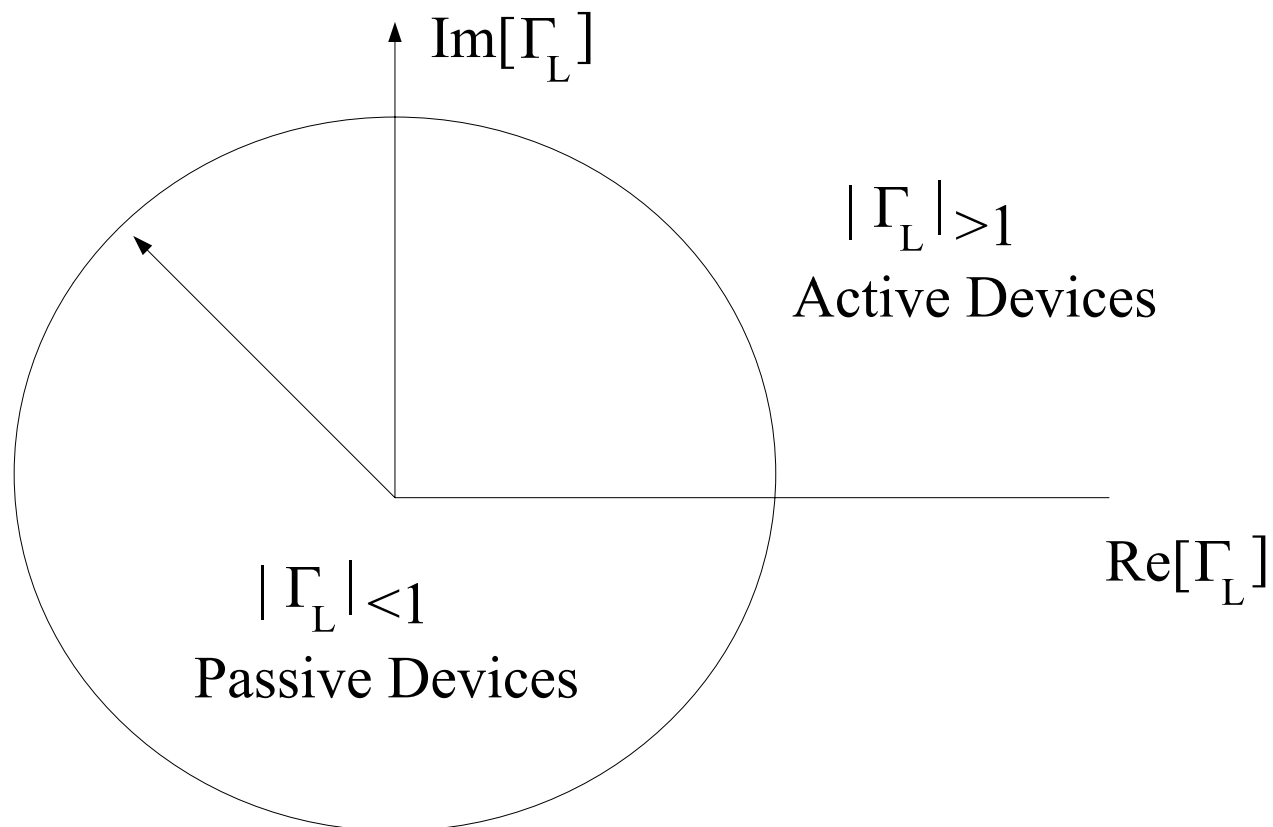
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with $z = \frac{Z}{Z_0} = r + jx$

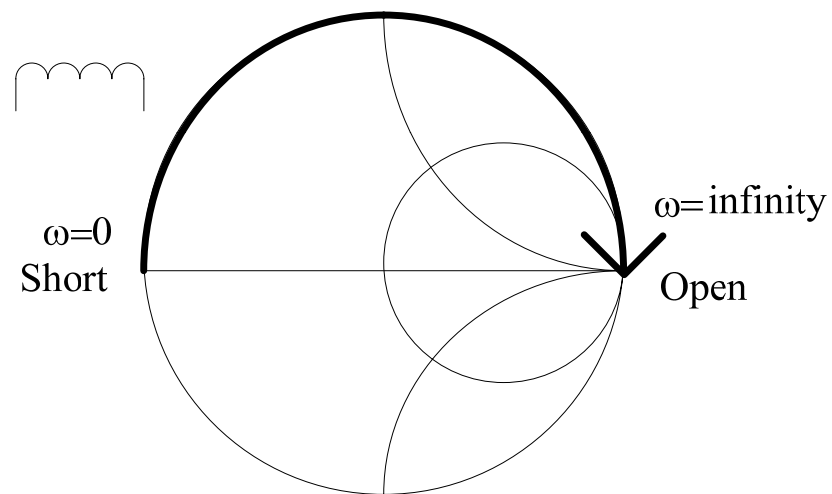


For $r = -1$ ($\text{Re}\{Z\} = -50$ ohms) we have $\Gamma = \text{infinity}$

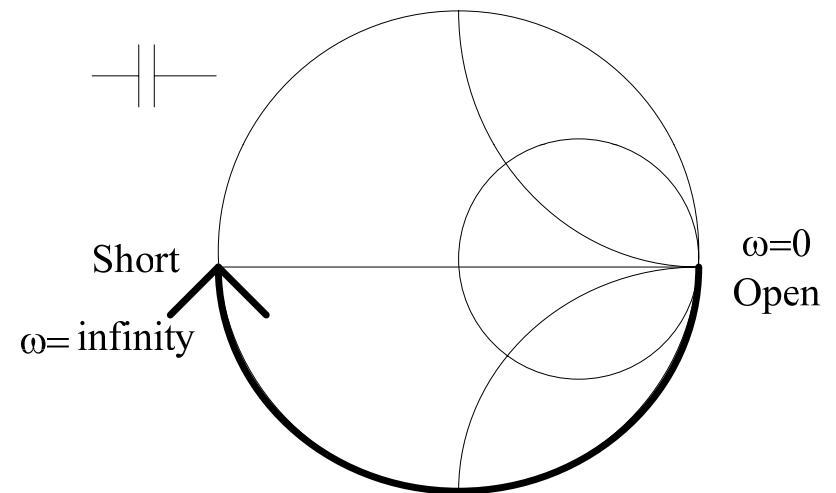


Inductance and Capacitance on Smith Chart

Locus of the reflection coefficient for an inductor and a capacitor
In a Γ Smith chart



Z smith chart

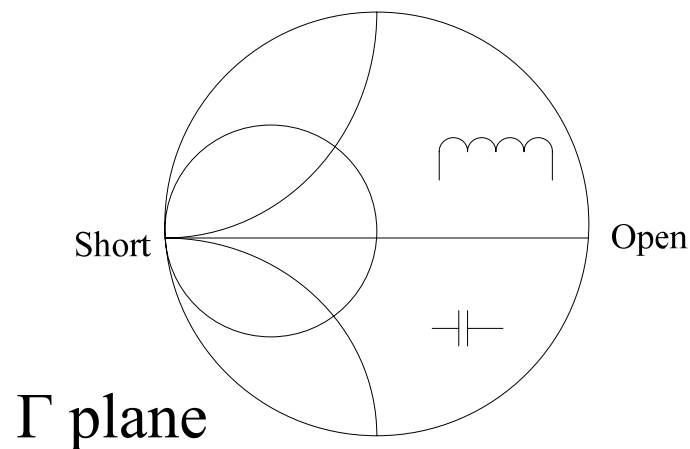


Γ plane

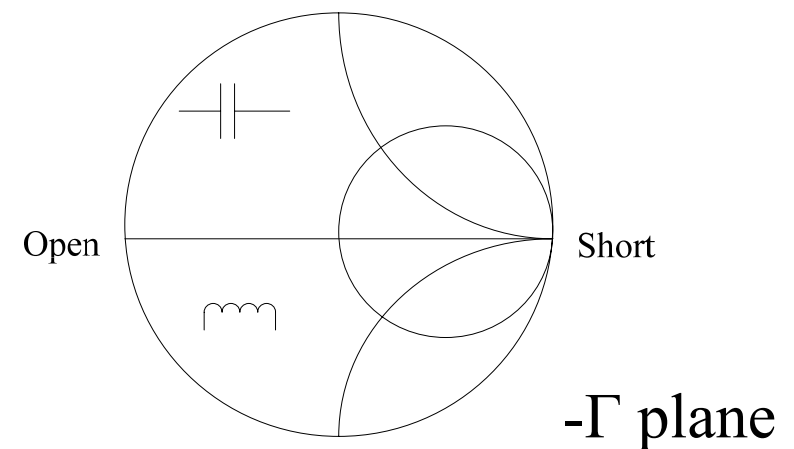
Y Smith Chart

The Y - smith chart can be obtained by expressing Γ in terms of Y :

$$\Gamma_L = \frac{\frac{Z_L}{Z_0} - 1}{\frac{Z_L}{Z_0} + 1} = \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} - 1}{\frac{1}{y} + 1} = -\frac{y - 1}{y + 1} = -\frac{\frac{Y_L}{Y_0} - 1}{\frac{Y_L}{Y_0} + 1}$$



Normal



Rotated

Y Smith Chart

- The Y Smith Chart is obtained by inverting the Z smith chart
- In the rotated Y-Smith Chart the short and open are exchanged

Impedance and Admittance Smith Charts

