

Simulation Class: Wave equations, Standing Wave, Voltage and Current time evolution, Reflection Coefficient, Impedance and Admittance

Please: Install the RF Toolbox; annotate each figure adequately by using legends, axis labels and titles.

Input data:

- Generator: $V_g=2\text{ V}$, $Z_g=Z_0=50\Omega$
- Line length (air dielectric): 1.25 m
- Line characteristic impedance: $Z_0=50\Omega$
- Frequency: 300 MHz
- Attenuation constant: α (start simulations with 0 and then change to 0.2 Neper/m at point 6)
- Load impedance Z_L : user input (can be complex).

Problem solving steps

1. Compute the wavelength λ , the period T , the load reflection coefficient ρ_L , the propagation constant, the angular frequency ω and generate a vector of distance x with 1000 points.
2. Compute the general phasor equations for:
 - a. Incident Voltage and Current $-V_i(x)$ e $I_i(x)$ - (2 vectors)
 - b. Reflected Voltage and Current $-V_r(x)$ e $I_r(x)$ - (2 vectors)
3. Compute the standing wave voltage amplitude vector V_{stand} in the transmission line (absolute value of sum of the incident and reflected voltage phasors), plot it as a function of x (activate the grid) and estimate, by hand or using graphical facilities, the VSWR;
4. Do as above **for the current** I_{stand} : use the previous figure but plot the current multiplied by 50 (for easier reading simultaneously with the voltage standing wave) and in red color;
5. Plot, in the same figure the symmetrical of the standing waves.
6. Develop an animation showing the propagation of the voltage along the line. Using a time step of $T_{step}=T/32$ (T is the period):
 - a. Make as the active figure the figure of previous point 3 and 4 (standing wave);
 - b. Freeze the ranges: use function `ylim` (or `axis`) for a symmetric ranging of y axis (or both axis);
 - c. hold the figure (`hold on`);
 - d. Set time to 0: $t_1=0$;
 - e. Do in a loop (suggested number of snapshots $5*32$) Note: do not use j or i for the loop control variable
 - i. Plot at time t_1 a snapshot of the line voltage vector $real(V(x)e^{j\omega t_1})$ as a function of x getting an handle to the plot h_v (`hv=plot(...)`); (the use of the time domain equations can also be used and are likely to be more efficient: try at home)
 - ii. Plot at time t_1 a snapshot of the scaled line current vector $real(I(x)e^{j\omega t_1})$ as a function of x getting an handle to the plot h_i (`hi=plot(...)`);
 - iii. Pause for a fraction of second (0.25s for example);
 - iv. Increase t_1 by T_{step}
 - v. Delete the two plots deleting the handles (`delete(hv)`; `delete(hi)`)ⁱ.
7. Comment the results and simulate for other load impedances and mainly for the **SC** and **CA**.
8. Compute and plot, in a new figure, a polar plot of the (complex) reflection coefficient (use the definition that is: $\rho(x) = V_r(x)/V_i(x)$).

Input impedance and susceptance

1. Compute the line input impedance $Z_{in}(x)$ (use the definition $(V(x)/I(x))$ and plot in a new figure the resistance and reactance as a function of x (use different colors for real –resistance- and imaginary – reactance- parts).
2. Identify manually, or moving a point in the plot using graphical facilities, the closest distances to the load, x_1 and x_2 , adequate to match the system by using a reactance in series with the line;
3. Compute the input admittance $Y_{in}(x)$ ($1/Z_{in}(x)$) and plot the conductance and susceptance (as above) in a new figure;
4. Identify the closest distances to the load, x'_1 and x'_2 , adequate to match the system by inserting a parallel susceptance;
5. Plot as well, in a new figure, the complex impedance in a plane and make the “axis equal”. Plot also, in a new figure, the reflection coefficient in a Smith Chart (use the function `smithplot()`).
6. Run again the full script you have till now but using $\alpha=0.2$ Np/m or other values.

Home work

1. Study carefully all the subjects addressed in this simulation class.

Some useful MatLab functions: atan2(y,x); abs(); angle(); plot(x,y,'b'); axis([x1 x2 y1 y2]), polar(θ , r); grid on; axis square; polarplot(); hold on; linspace; xlim(); ylim(); pause(); real(); imag(); pause(), figure(); legend(); xlabel(); ylabel(); title(); ylim(); xlim(); title(); smithplot()

Latex use in labels, legends, etc is possible: Z_{in} looks like $Z_{in}()$

Note: Use “.” “/” and “.^2” instead of “” “/” “^” to make operation point by point.*

ⁱ To execute the animation you can also retrieve the handle to the plotted data and update it. The example plots a moving point over a sine plot

```
pause_time = .1;
nx = 150; x=linspace(0,2*pi,nx); y=sin(x);
figure(1); clf; plot(x,y); hold on; grid on;

h = plot(x(1),y(1),'ro'); %Gets an handle to the plotted point to be moved

for n=1:nx
    set(h,'XData',x(n),'YData',y(n)); %Replaces the moving point plotted
    pause(pause_time)
end
```

A possible solution is also to use the function `linkdata` that automatically updates the plot if plotted data is changed

Example

```
t=1:10;
x = randn(10,1);
plot(t,x);
linkdata on;      %Any future update to x is automatically updated in the plot;
pause(2);
x=randn(10,1);
```