

# Microwave Engineering

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### Lecture 2

*Challenging  
Stimulating  
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# Outline

- Basic transmission line theory (Ch2)
  - Summary of waves on transmission lines (Ch2)
  - TEM waves (Coaxial lines)
  - Smith chart

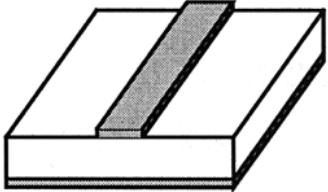
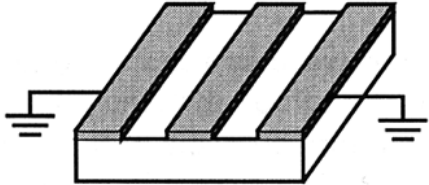
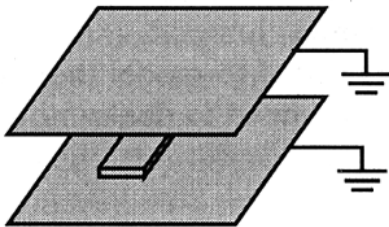
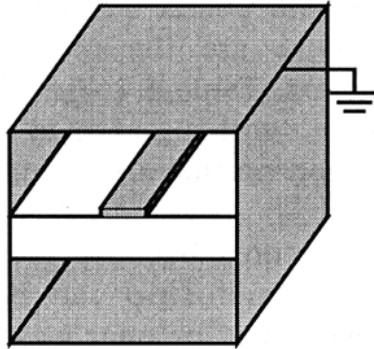
# Objectives

On completion of this course unit you should be able to:

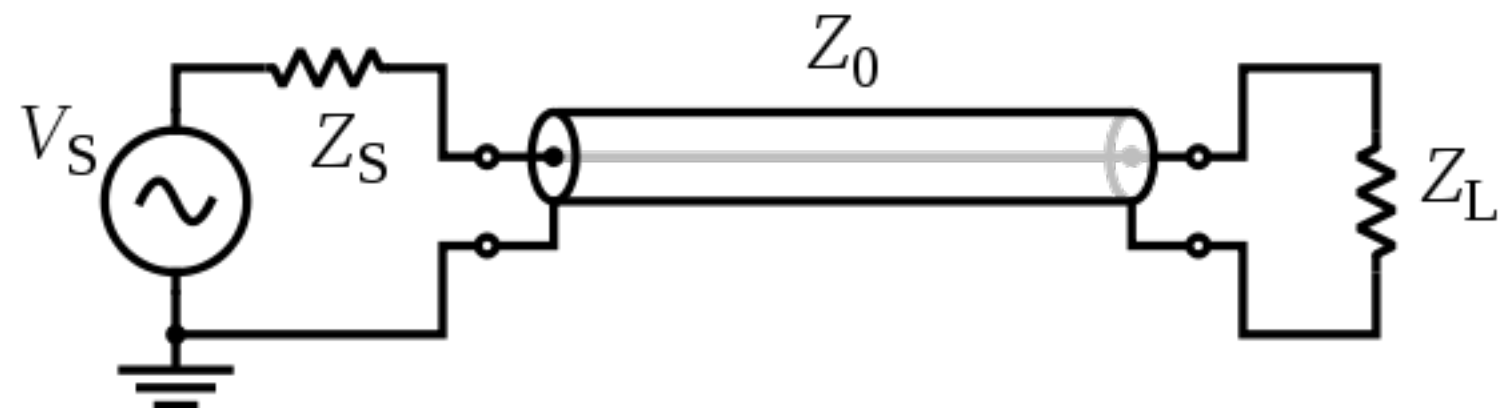
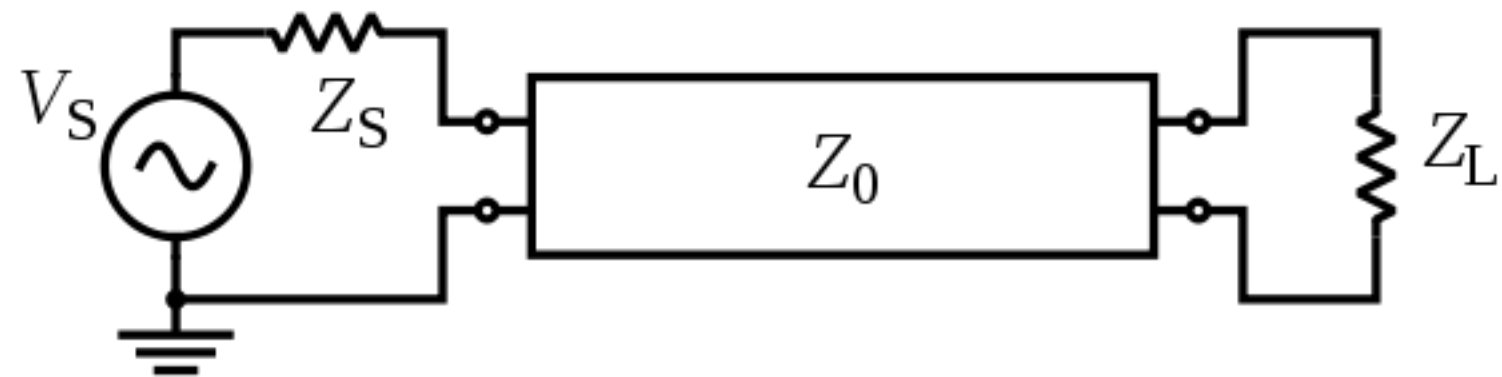
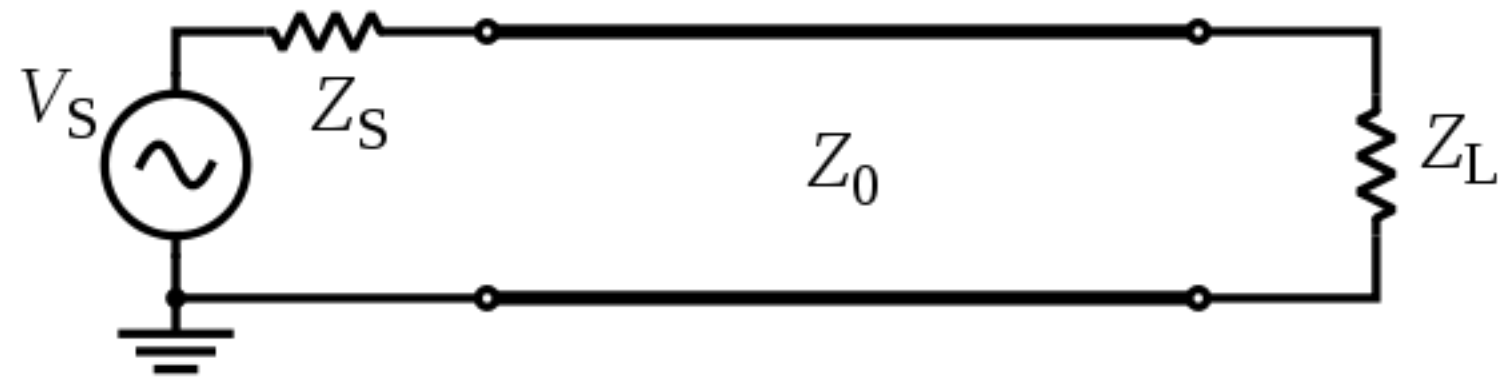
- 1) Analyse wave propagating properties of guided wave structures (TE, TM, TEM waves, microstrip, stripline, rectangular and circular waveguides, coupled lines)
- 2) Apply N-port representations for analysing microwave circuits
- 3) Apply the Smith chart to evaluate microwave networks
- 4) Design and evaluate impedance matching networks
- 5) Design, evaluate and characterise directional couplers and power dividers
- 6) Design and analyse attenuators, phase shifters and resonators
- 7) Explain basic properties of ferrite devices (circulators, isolators)

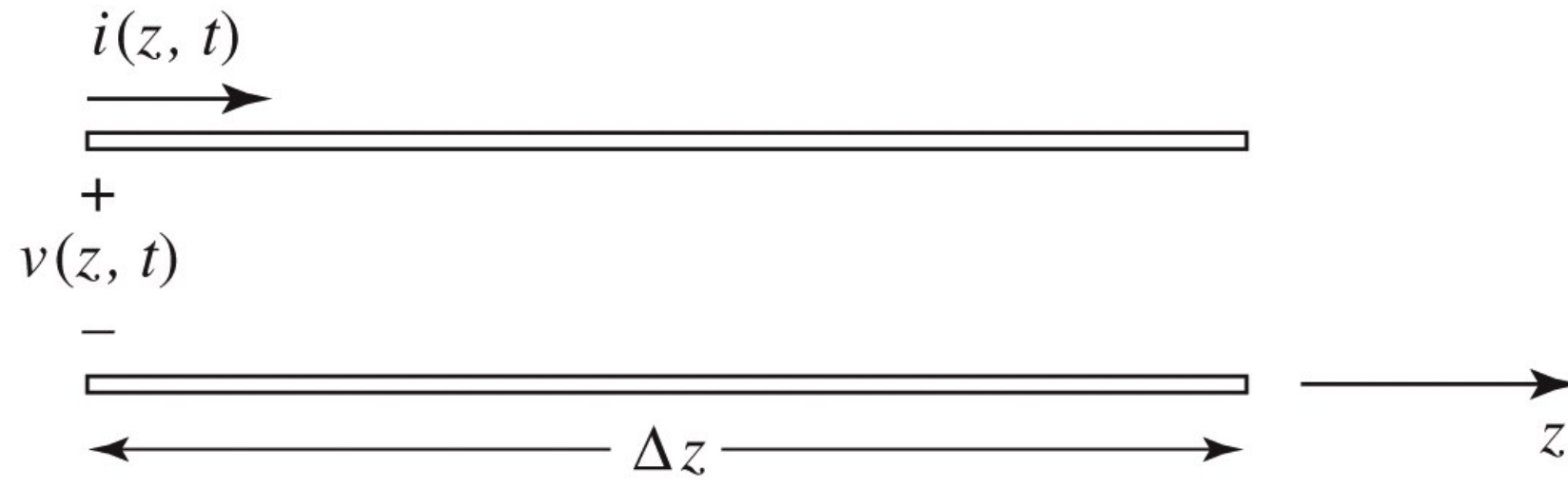
# Distributed components

## Transmission lines

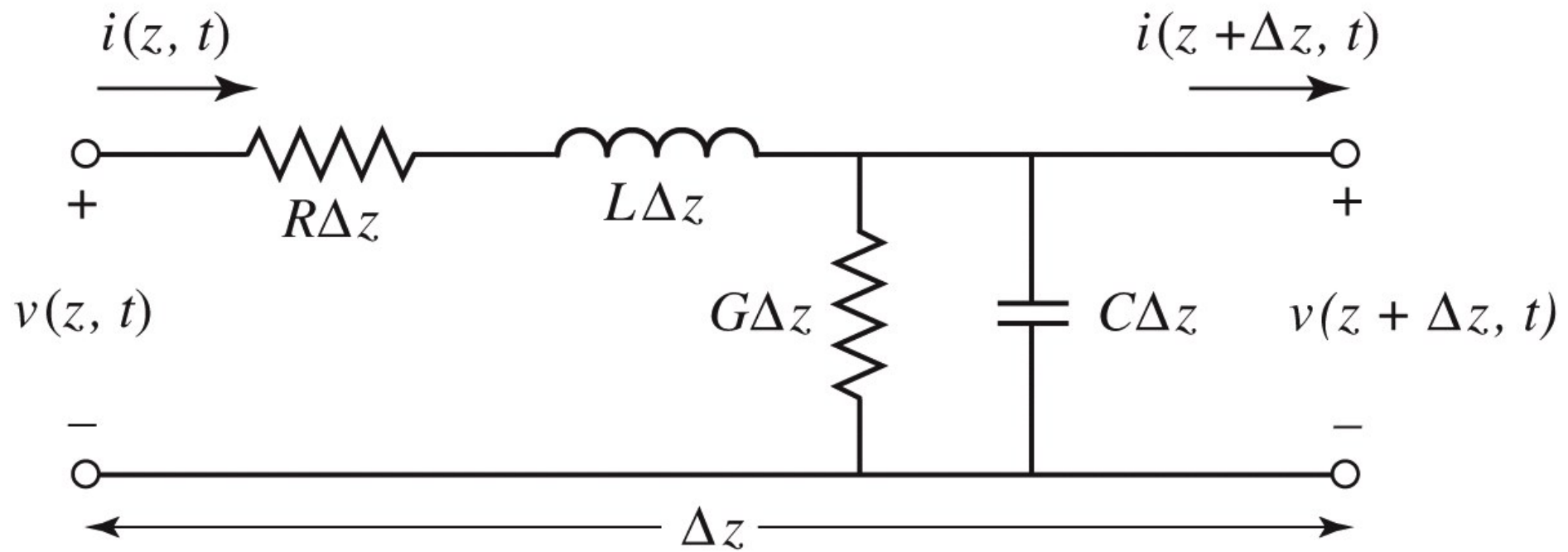
Transmission Line	Structure	Properties
Microstrip		The most common type of transmission line, suitable for both hybrids and monolithic circuits. Moderately dispersive at high frequencies. See Section 1.3.3.
Coplanar waveguide (CPW)		Somewhat lossier and more dispersive than microstrip, but minimizes the parasitic inductance of ground connections. Good transition to coaxial lines. Spurious slotline and microstrip modes are possible. See Section 1.3.4.
Stripline		Does not allow convenient mounting of discrete circuit elements; best for passive components. Difficult to cascade with microstrip or other planar transmission lines. Low loss, TEM, good transition to coax. See Section 1.3.5.
Suspended-substrate stripline (SSSL)		Similar to stripline, but easier to fabricate in many types of circuits. Low loss, low effective dielectric constant, good transition to coax. Waveguide-like modes can be a problem. See Section 1.3.6.

# Transmission line





(a)



(b)

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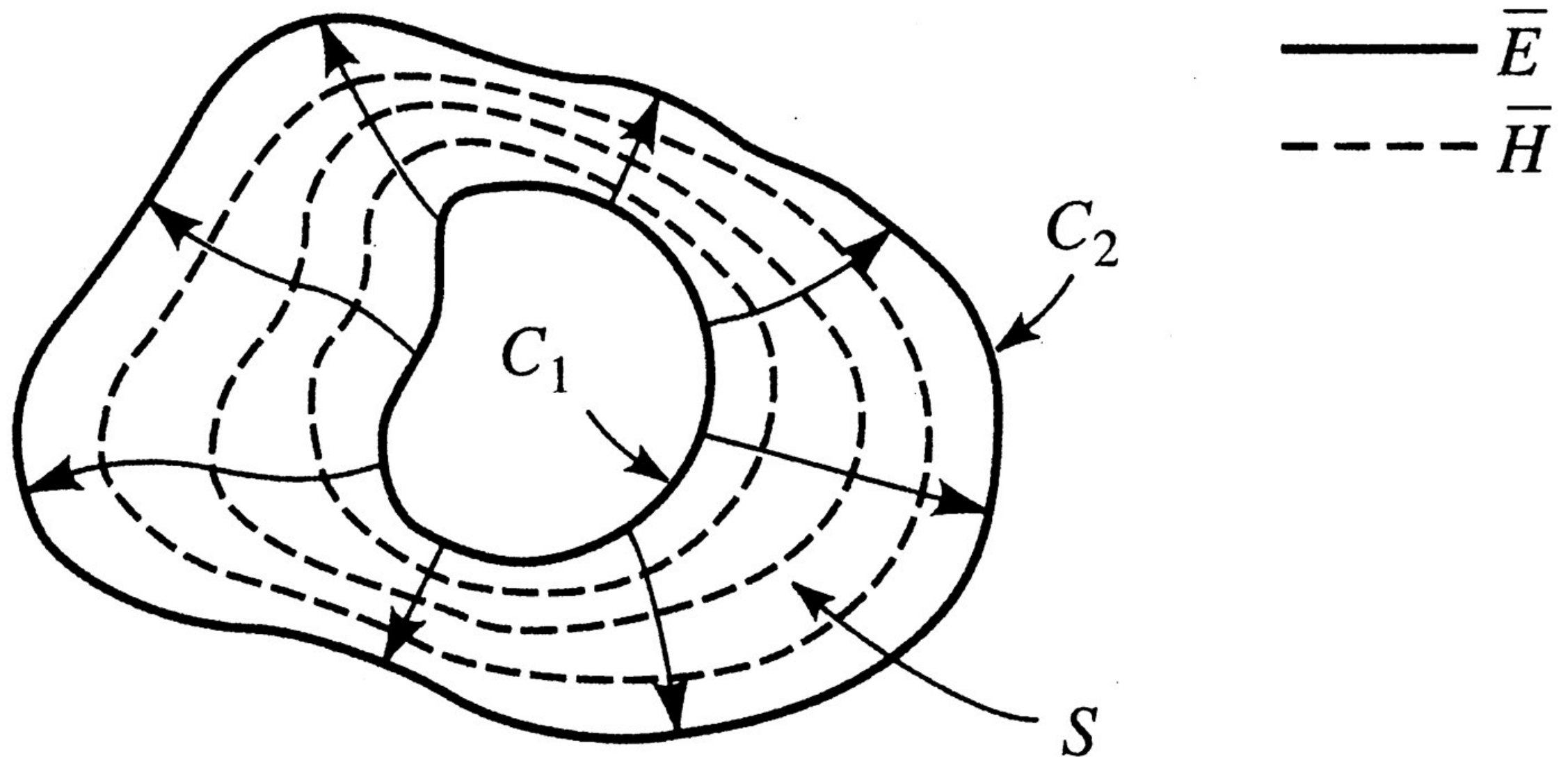
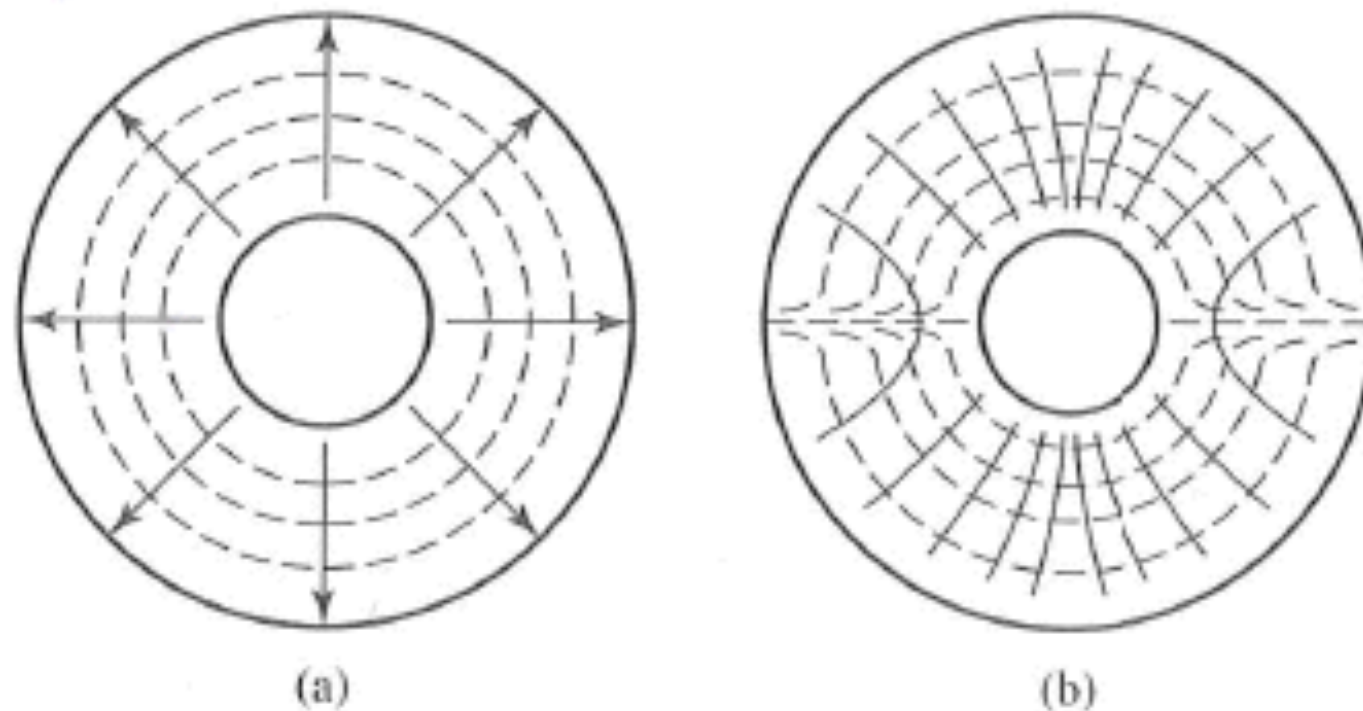


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What is the highest frequency for a coaxial line?

# Coaxial line



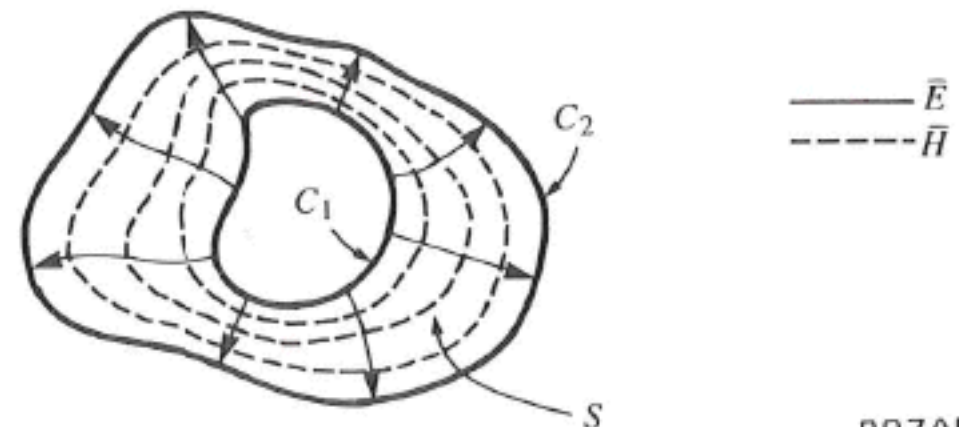
Field lines for the (a) TEM and (b) TE<sub>11</sub> modes of a coaxial line.



# TRANSMISSION LINE PARAMETERS

- $L$  = magnetic flux / total current
- $C$  = total charge per unit length/voltage difference between conductors
- $G$  = total shunt current / voltage difference between conductors

TEM=> electrostatic solution  
equivalent circuit parameters



**TABLE 2.1 Transmission Line Parameters for Some Common Lines**

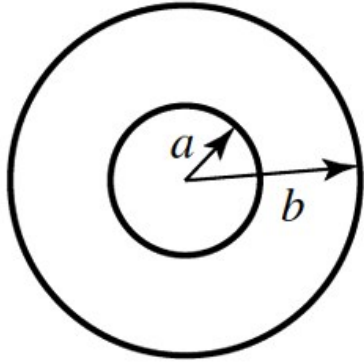
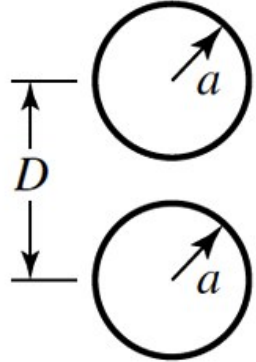
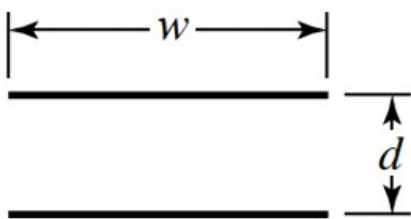
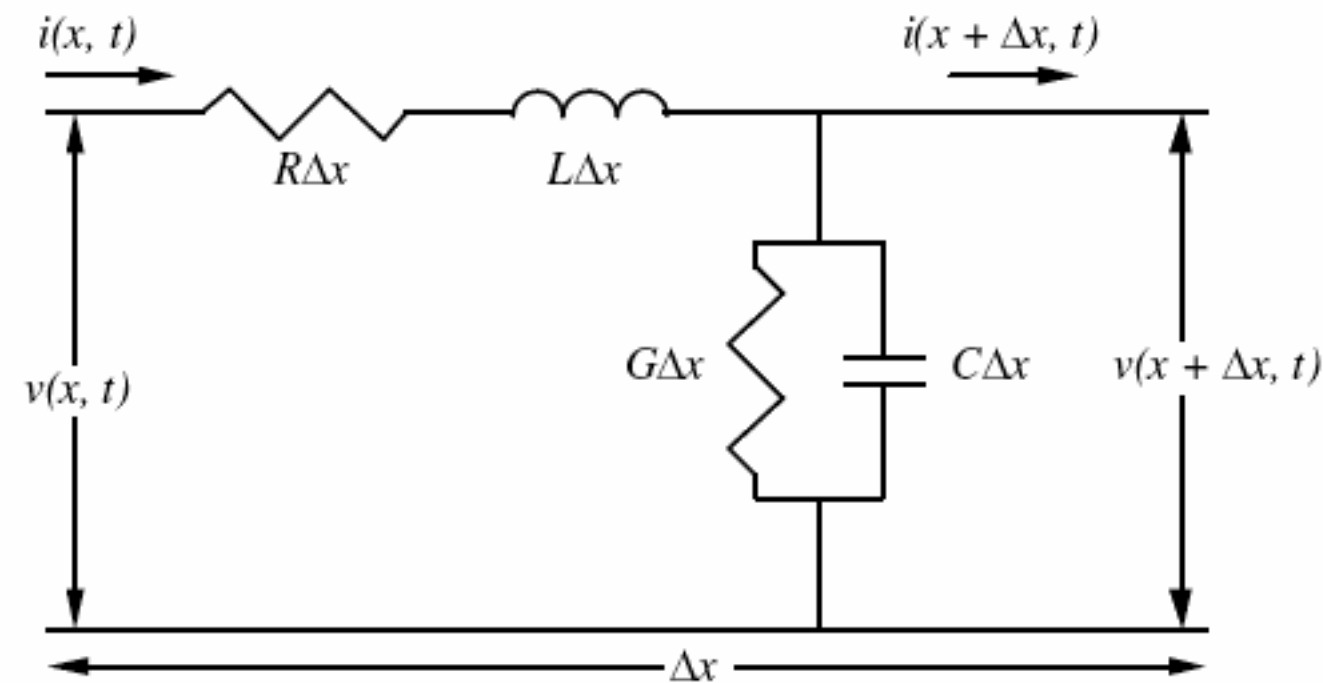
	COAX	TWO-WIRE	PARALLEL PLATE
			
$L$	$\frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln \frac{b}{a}$	$\frac{\mu}{\pi} \cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{D}{2a} \right)$	$\frac{\mu d}{w}$
$C$	$\frac{2\pi \epsilon'}{\ln b/a}$	$\frac{\pi \epsilon'}{\cosh^{-1} (D/2a)}$	$\frac{\epsilon' w}{d}$
$R$	$\frac{R_s}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right)$	$\frac{R_s}{\pi a}$	$\frac{2R_s}{w}$
$G$	$\frac{2\pi \omega \epsilon''}{\ln b/a}$	$\frac{\pi \omega \epsilon''}{\cosh^{-1} (D/2a)}$	$\frac{\omega \epsilon'' w}{d}$

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# Telegrapher's equations



Distributed Element Model of a Transmission Line

**TD**

$$\frac{\partial v(z, t)}{\partial z} = -Ri(z, t) - L \frac{\partial i(z, t)}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial i(z, t)}{\partial z} = -Gv(z, t) - C \frac{\partial v(z, t)}{\partial t}$$

**Wave equations**

**FD**

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 V = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 I = 0$$

$$\gamma = \alpha + j\beta = \sqrt{(R + j\omega L)(G + j\omega C)}$$

# Propagation constant

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 V = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial z^2} - \gamma^2 I = 0$$

$$\underline{\gamma = \alpha + j\beta = \sqrt{(R + j\omega L)(G + j\omega C)}}$$

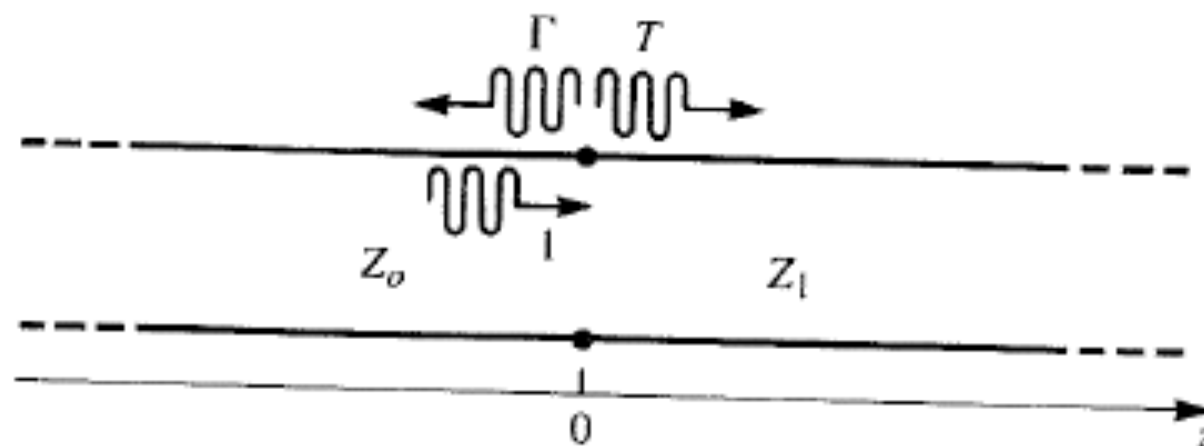
$$V(z) = V^+ e^{-\gamma z} + V^- e^{\gamma z}$$

$$I(z) = I^+ e^{-\gamma z} + I^- e^{\gamma z}$$

Phase velocity:  $v_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta}$

# Characteristic impedance

$$\frac{V^+}{I^+} = Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{(R + j\omega L)}{(G + j\omega C)}}$$



$$\Gamma = \frac{Z_1 - Z_0}{Z_1 + Z_0}$$

# Input impedance

- *On white board: input impedance for different special cases*

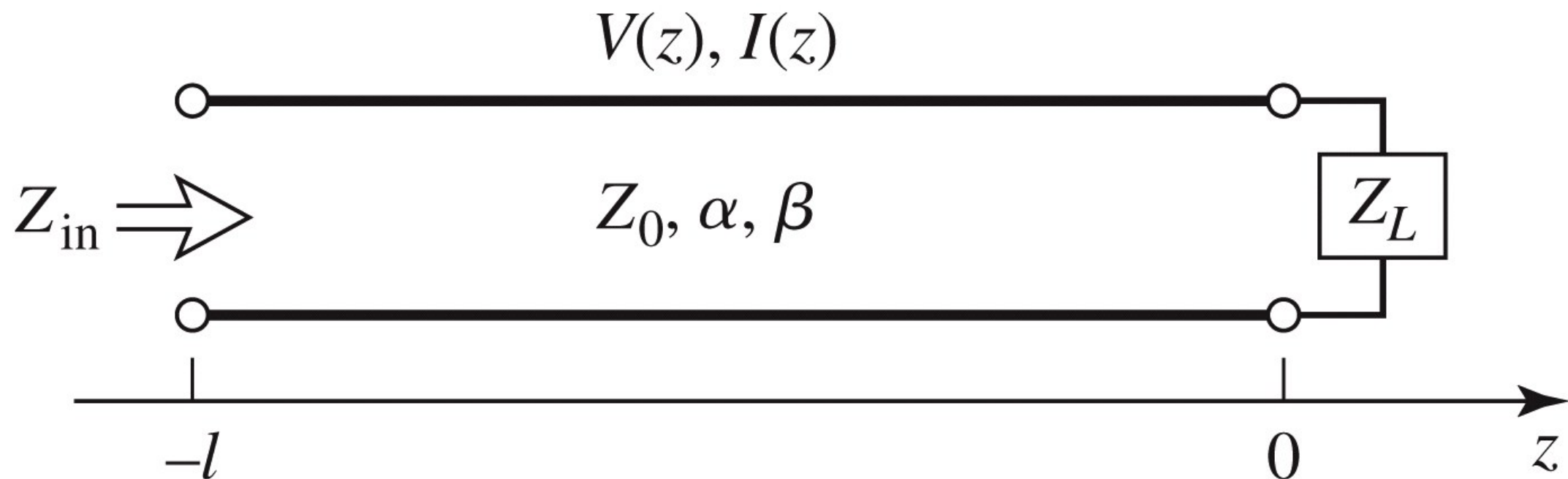
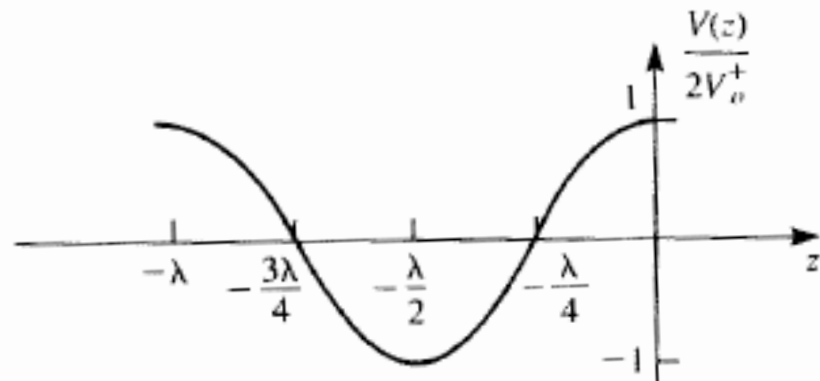


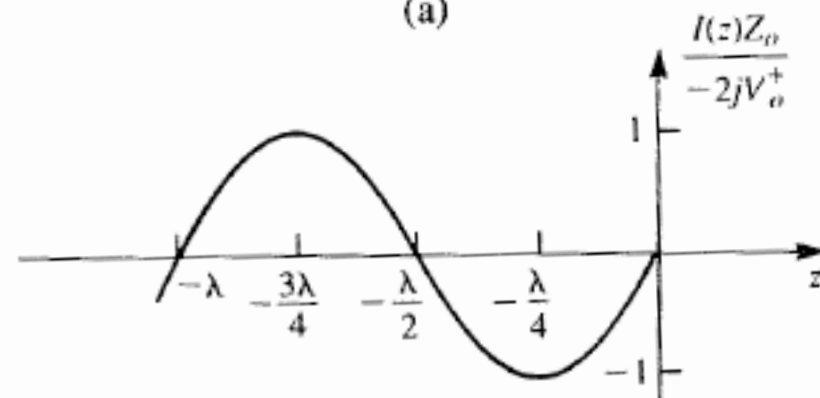
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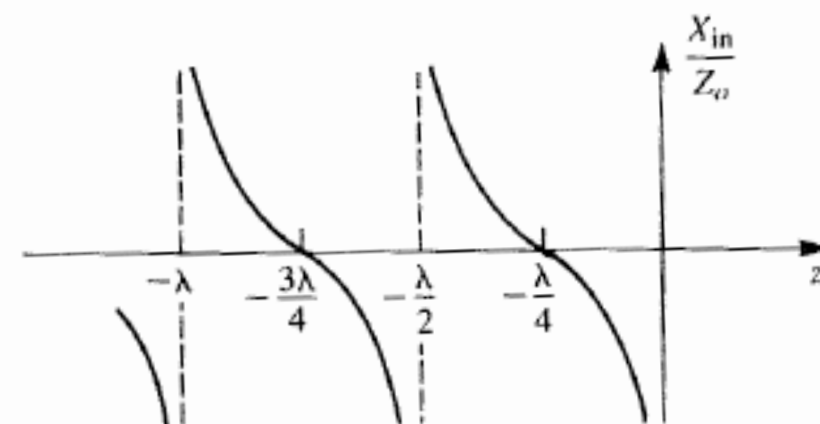
# terminated lines



(a)



(b)



(c)

Open -ended line

$$Z_L = \infty$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} = 1$$

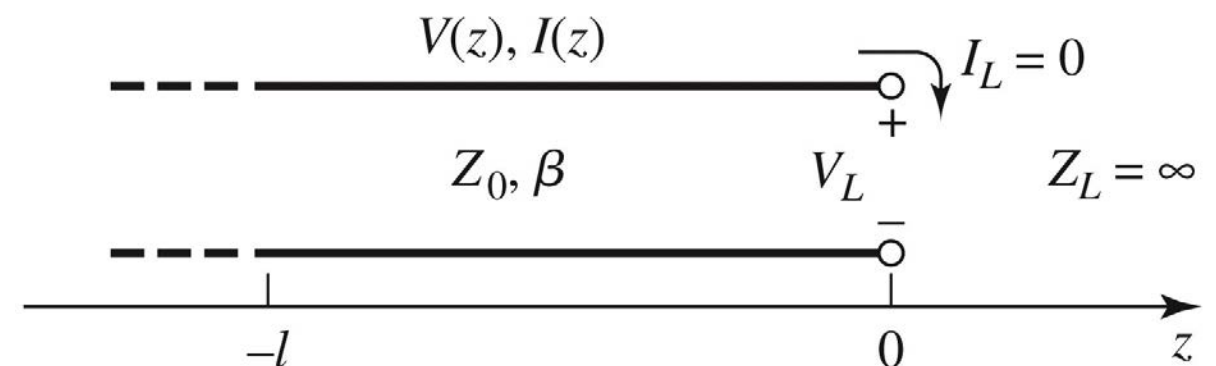


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# terminated lines

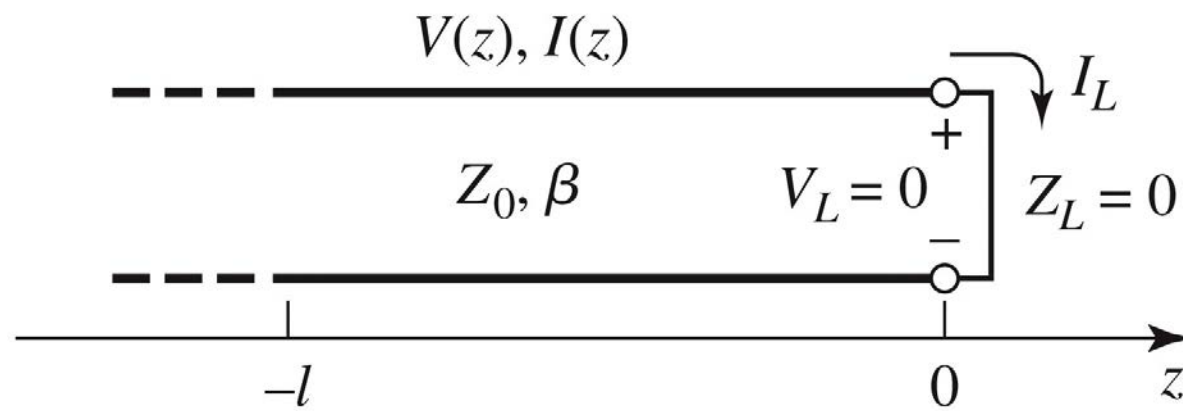
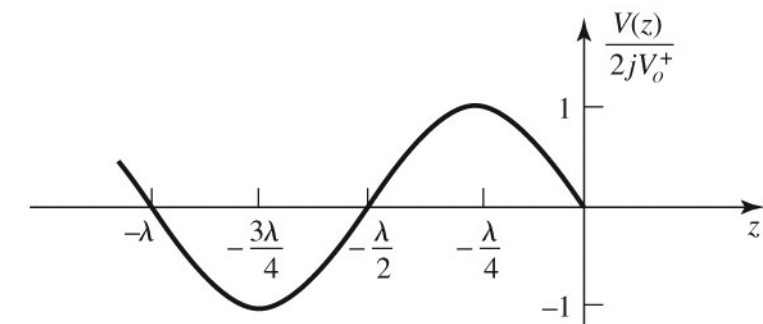
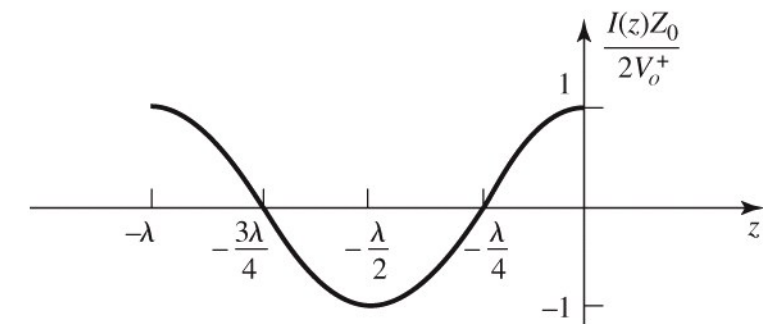


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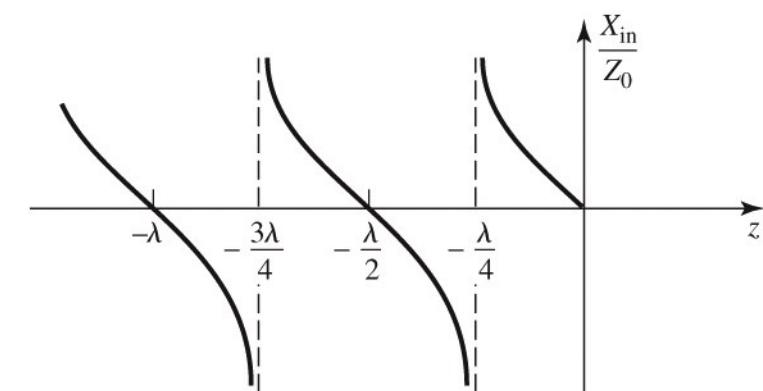
## Short circuit termination



(a)



(b)



(c)

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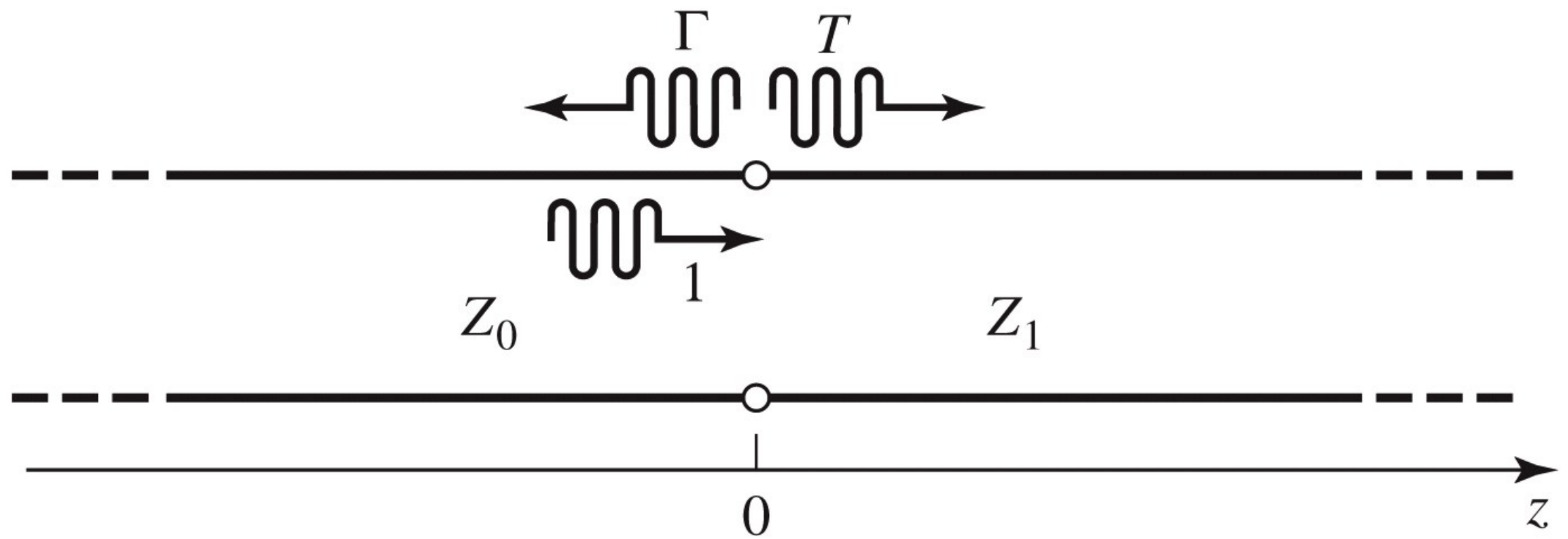


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Insertion loss,  $IL = -20 \log(T)$  [dB]  
Return loss,  $RL = -20 \log(\Gamma)$  [dB]

# Smith chart

# Impedance transformation and matching

- to match an arbitrary load to a given transmission line
- to present a certain impedance to a device (embedding impedances)

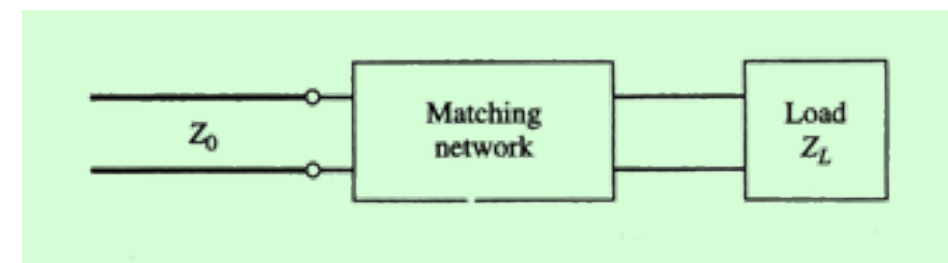
 For low VSWR, energy transfer or design goals

# Low VSWR results in better power handling capability

## Distributed components

- Single, double or triple stubs
- Transformers

## Discrete components

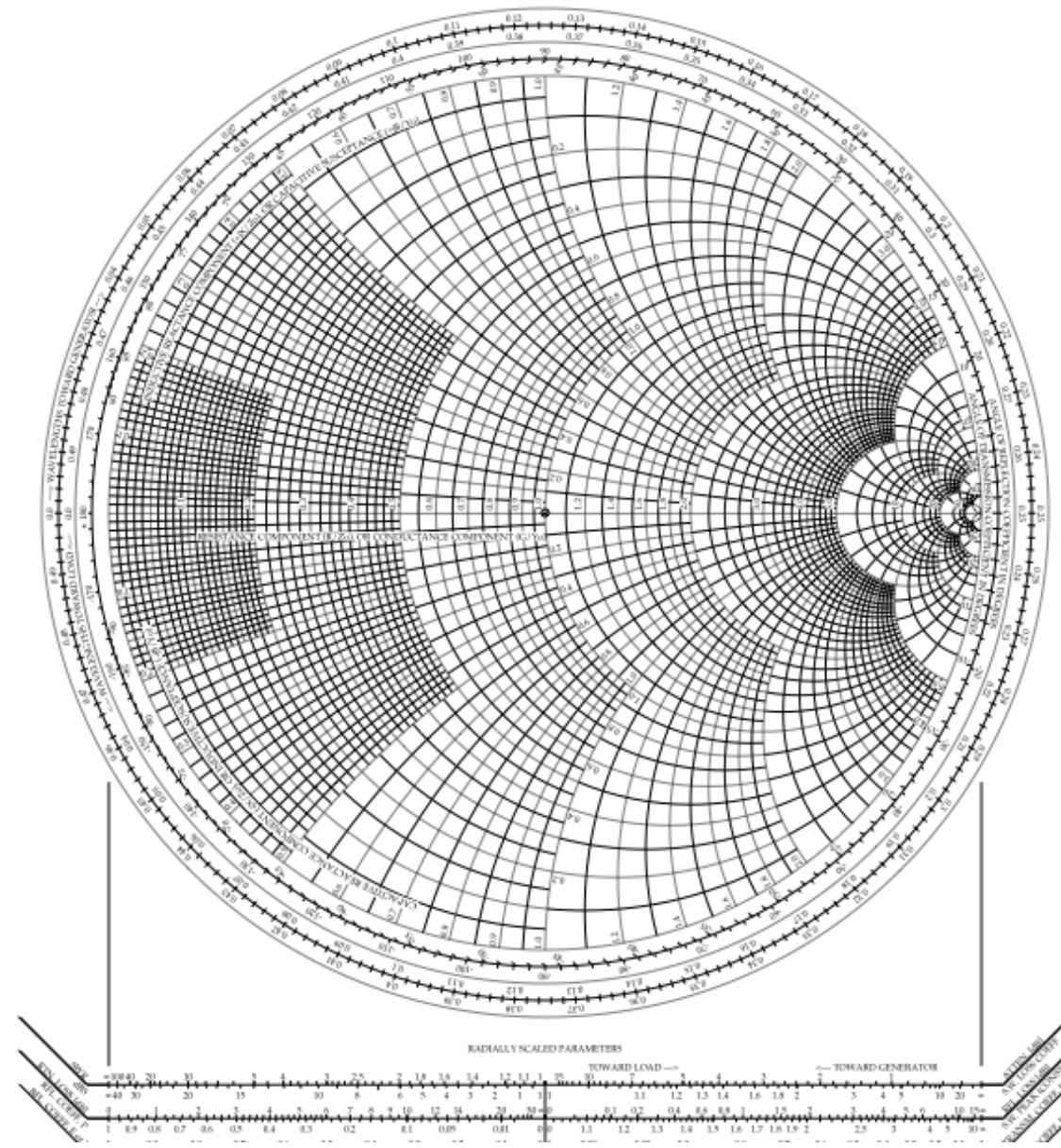




# The Smith Chart (SC)

- Proposed 1939 by Philip H. Smith as a graphical aid to analyse and design matching networks
- Mr. Smith worked at Bell Telephone labs with impedance matching of antennas (for AM broadcasting)
- Today, still a powerful tool as part of the design process in order to find suitable circuit topologies etc

# Z or impedance SC

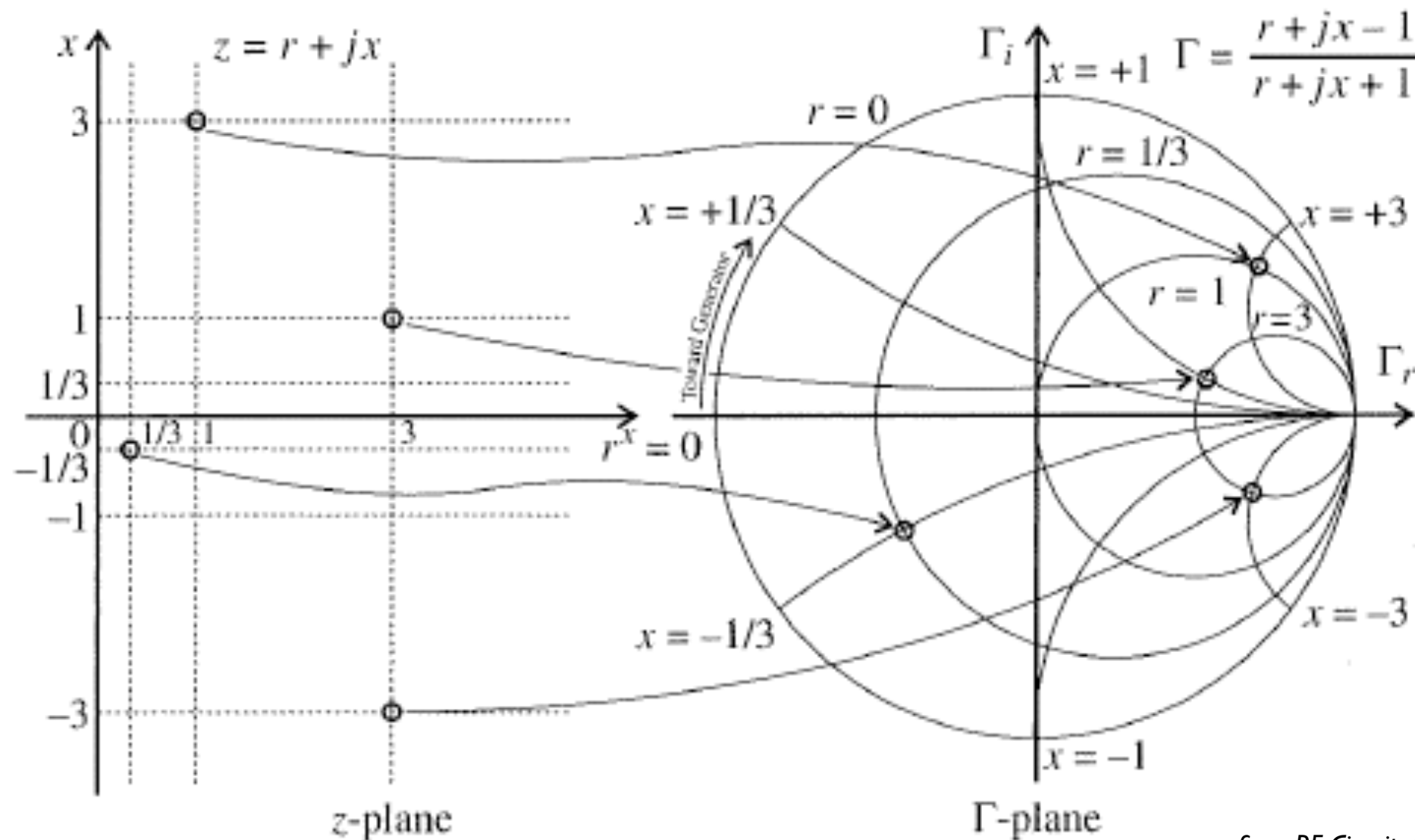


# Conformal mapping (Möbius)

- Z Smith chart:  $\Gamma = \frac{z-1}{z+1}$

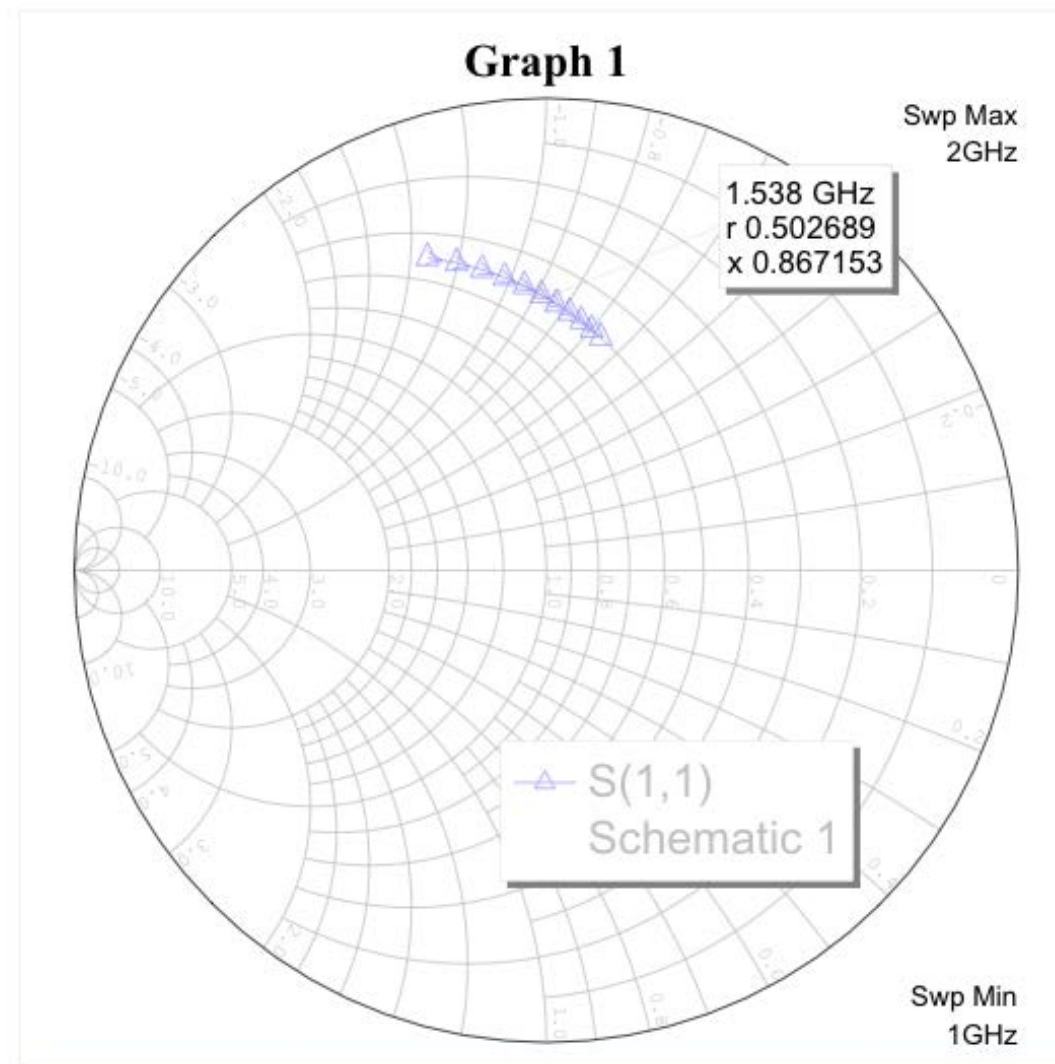
- Y Smith chart:  $\Gamma = \frac{1-y}{1+y}$

# Complex impedance transformed to complex reflection plane



from RF Circuit design, Ludvig and Bogdanov

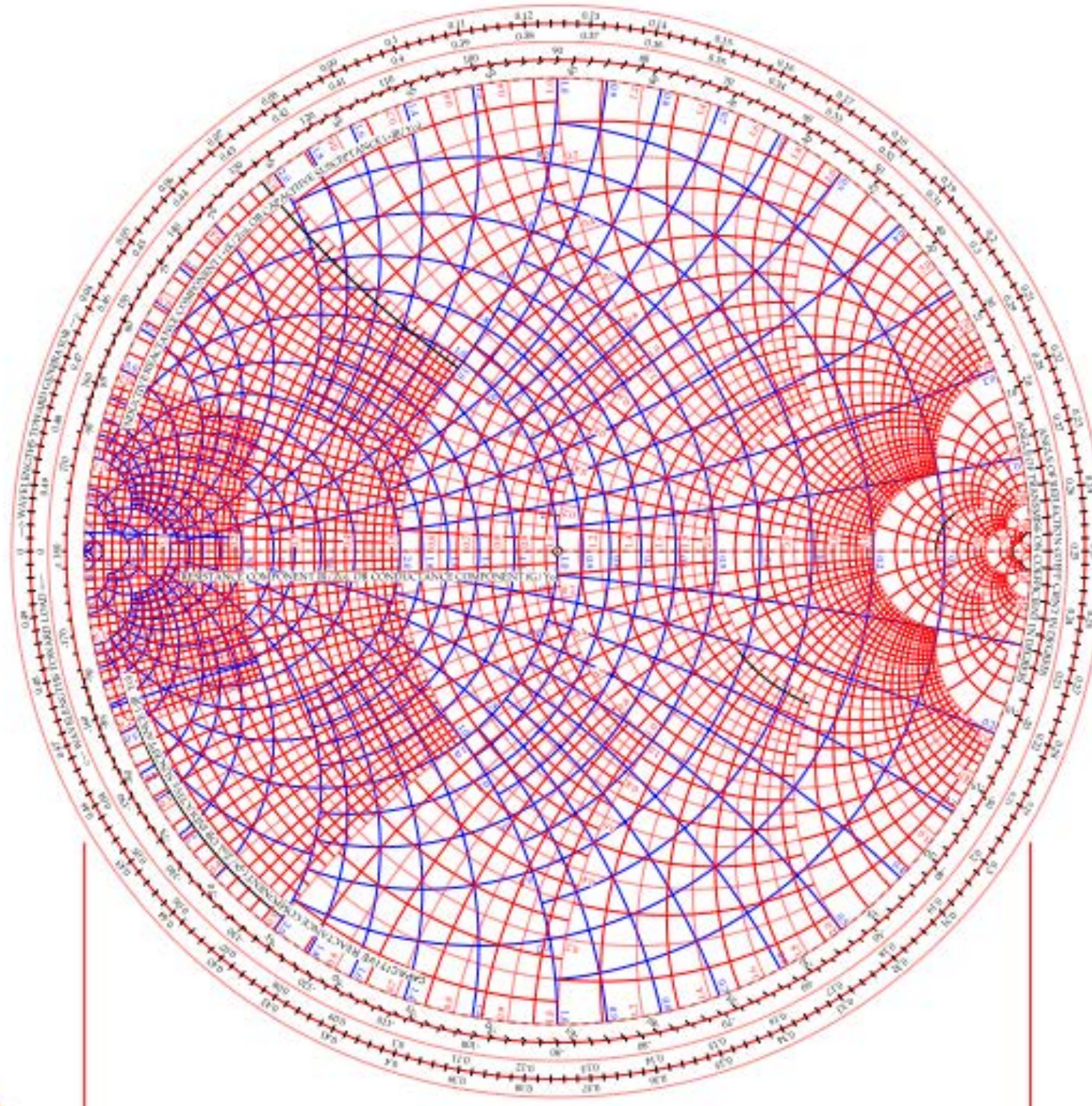
# Y or admittance SC



# The Smith Chart

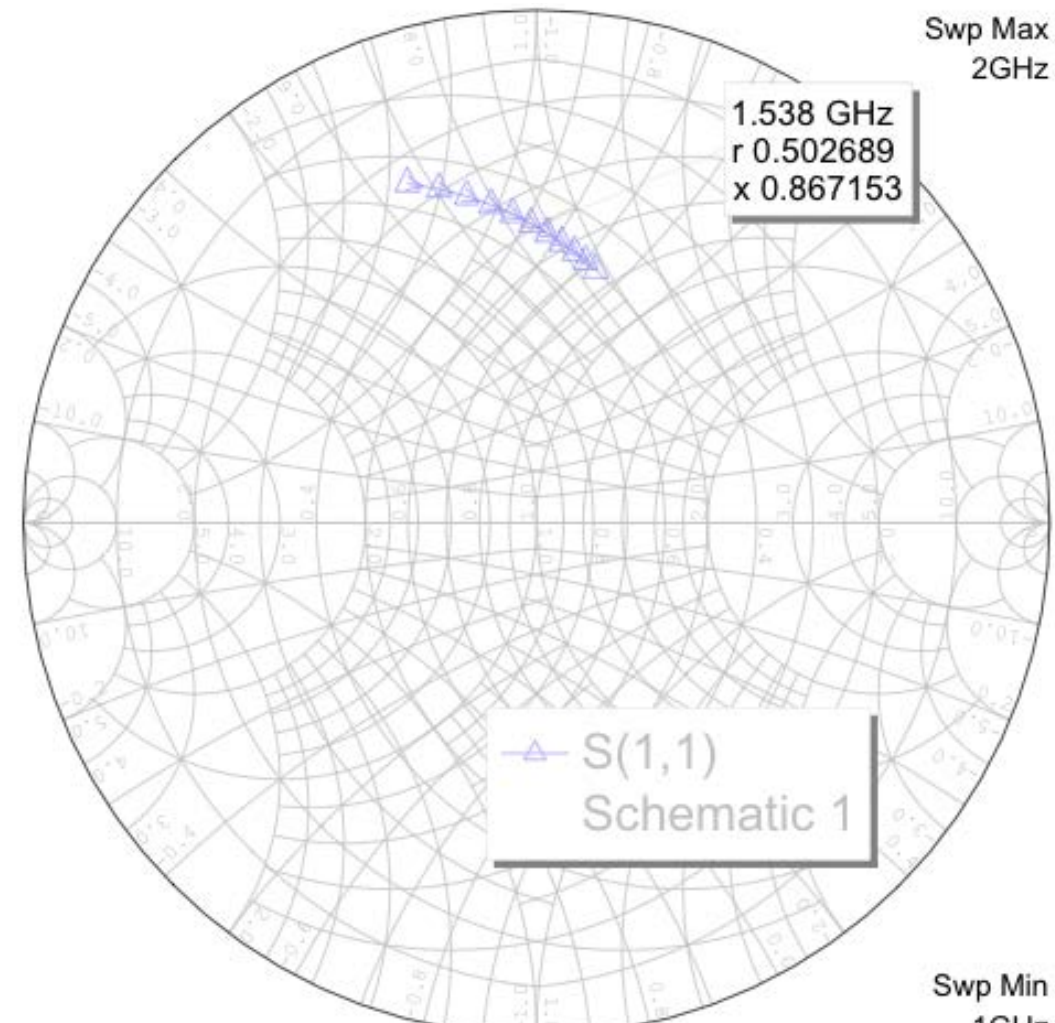
- Complex plane for the reflection coefficient.
  - Normalised contours for resistances/ conductances and reactances/susceptances
  - Upper half- $\rightarrow$ inductive, lower half- $\rightarrow$ capacitive
- Common practice to plot S-parameters in Smith charts. E.g. Vector network analysers or design tools





# ZY Smith Chart

- Z for series connections



- Y for parallel connections



ex 2.2)  $Z_L=40+j70$  at the  
end of a 100 ohm line

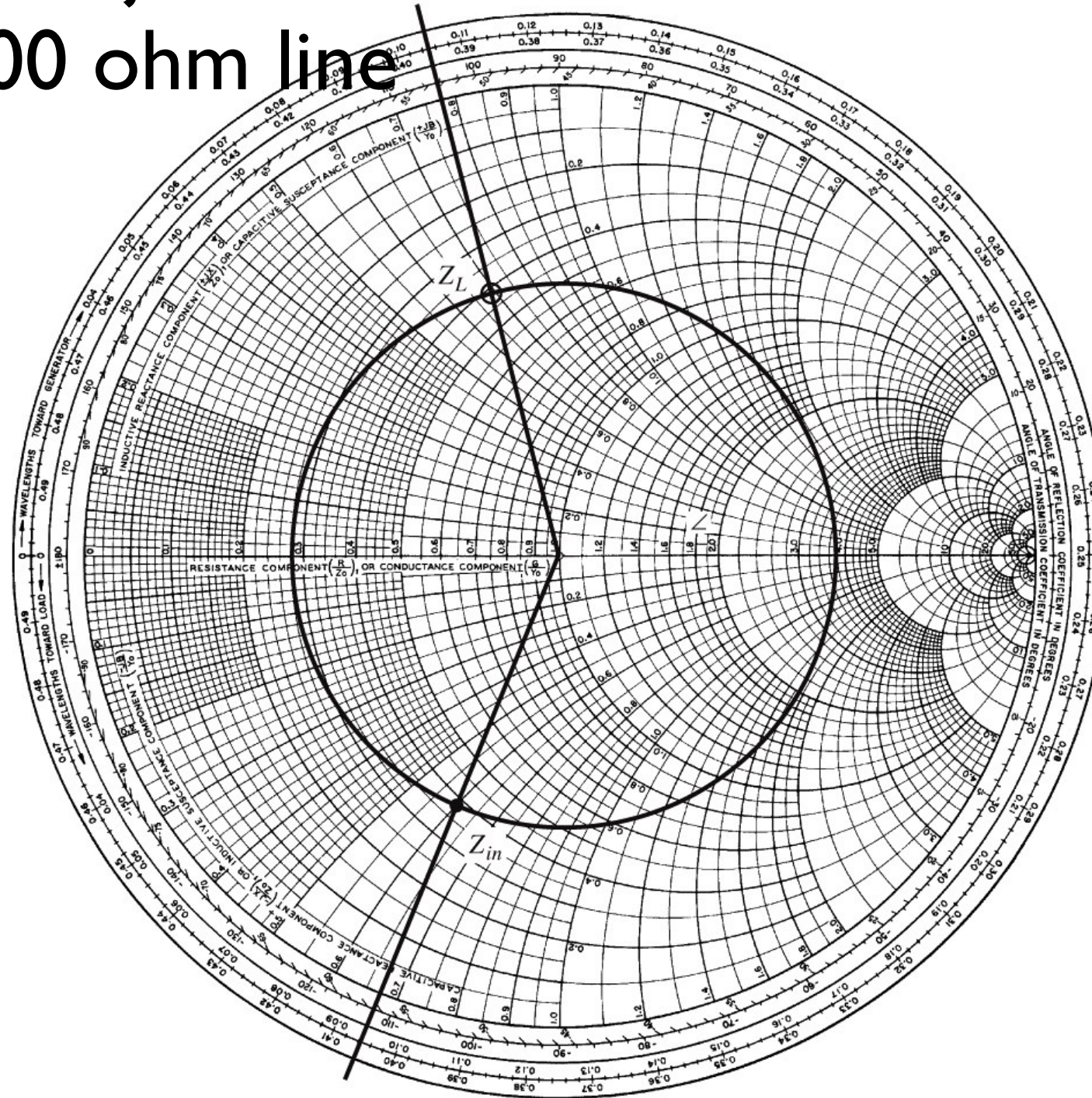
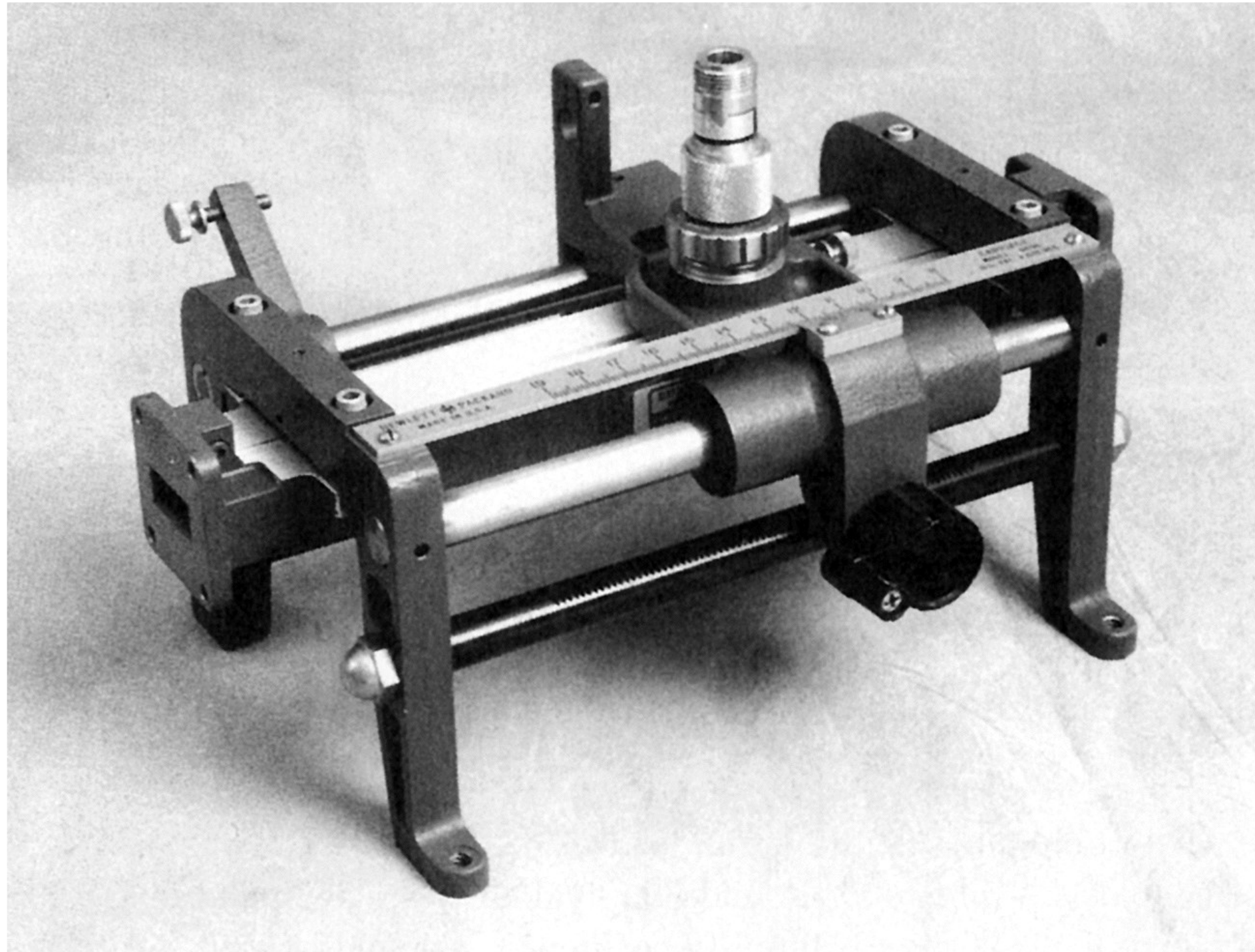


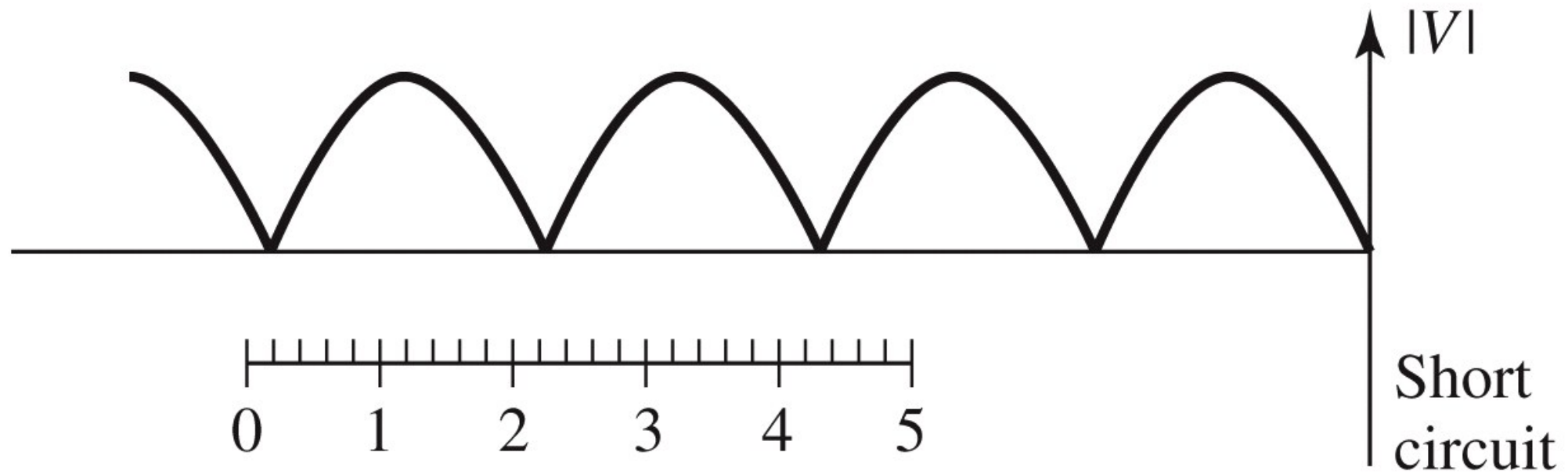
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- On white board: Find RL and VSWR

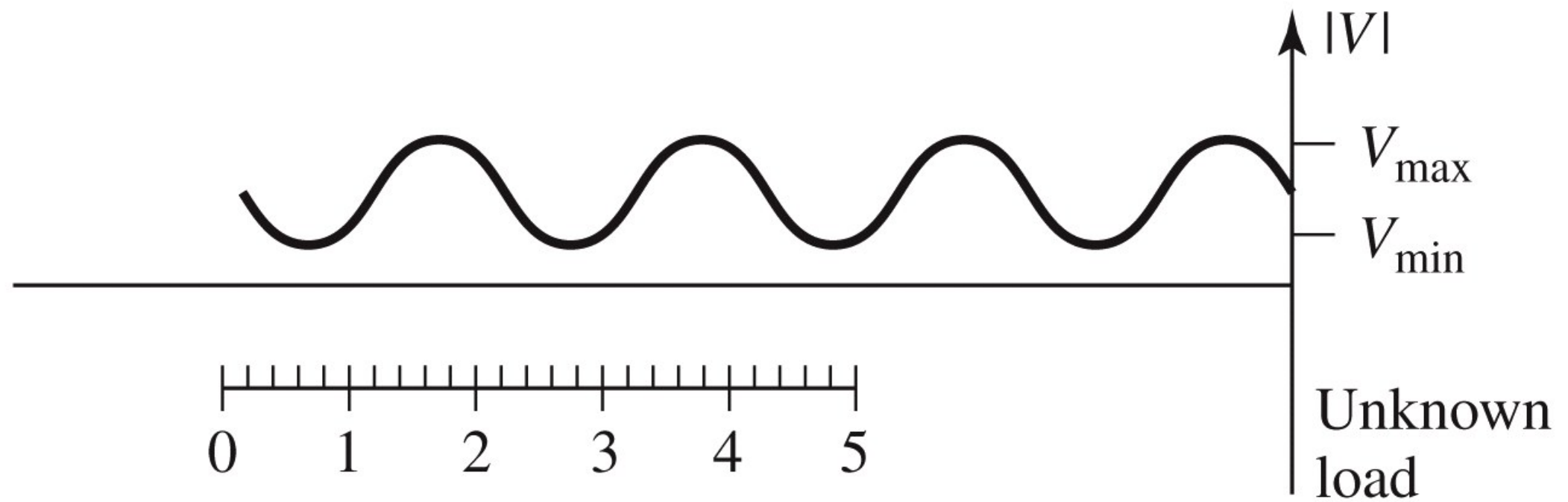


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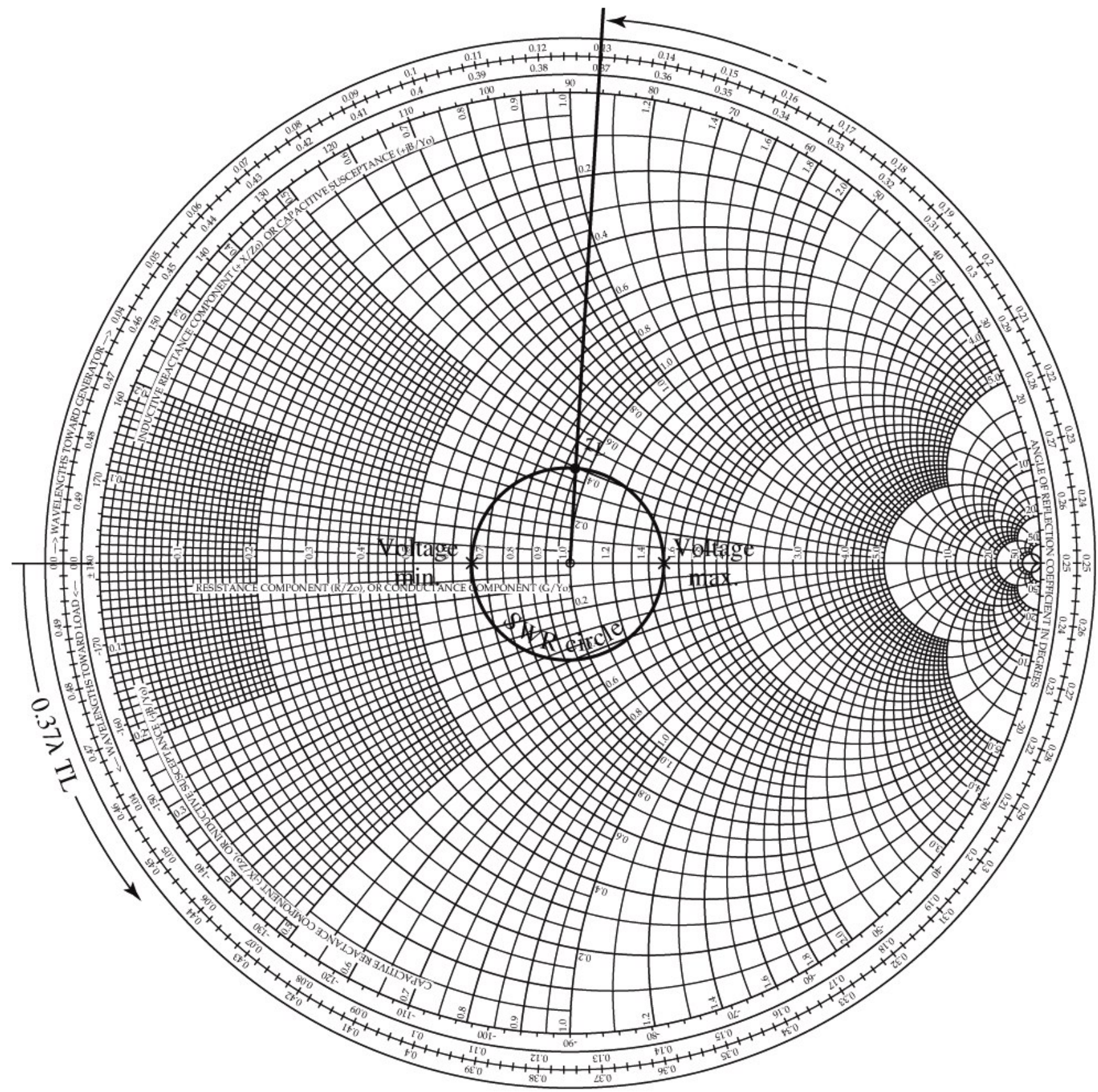
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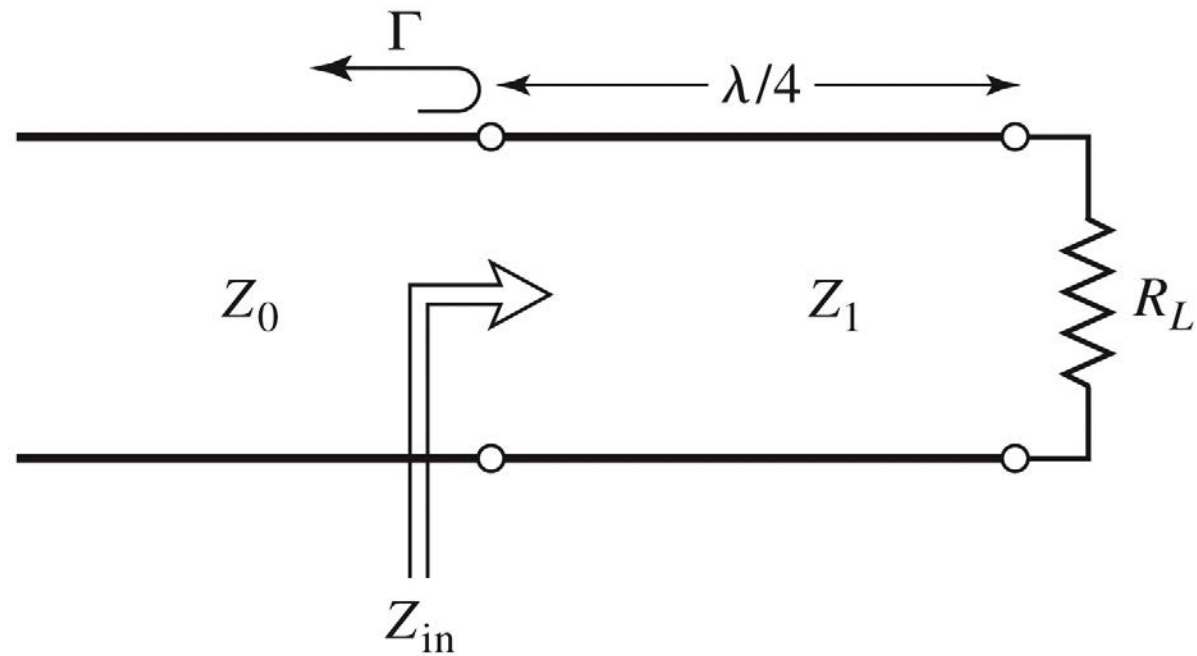


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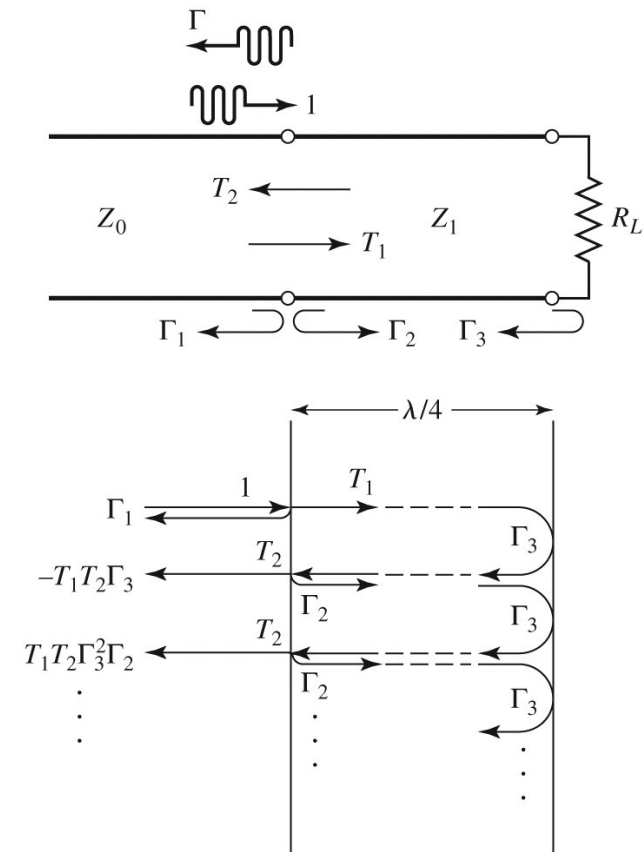


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- On white board: Multiple reflections

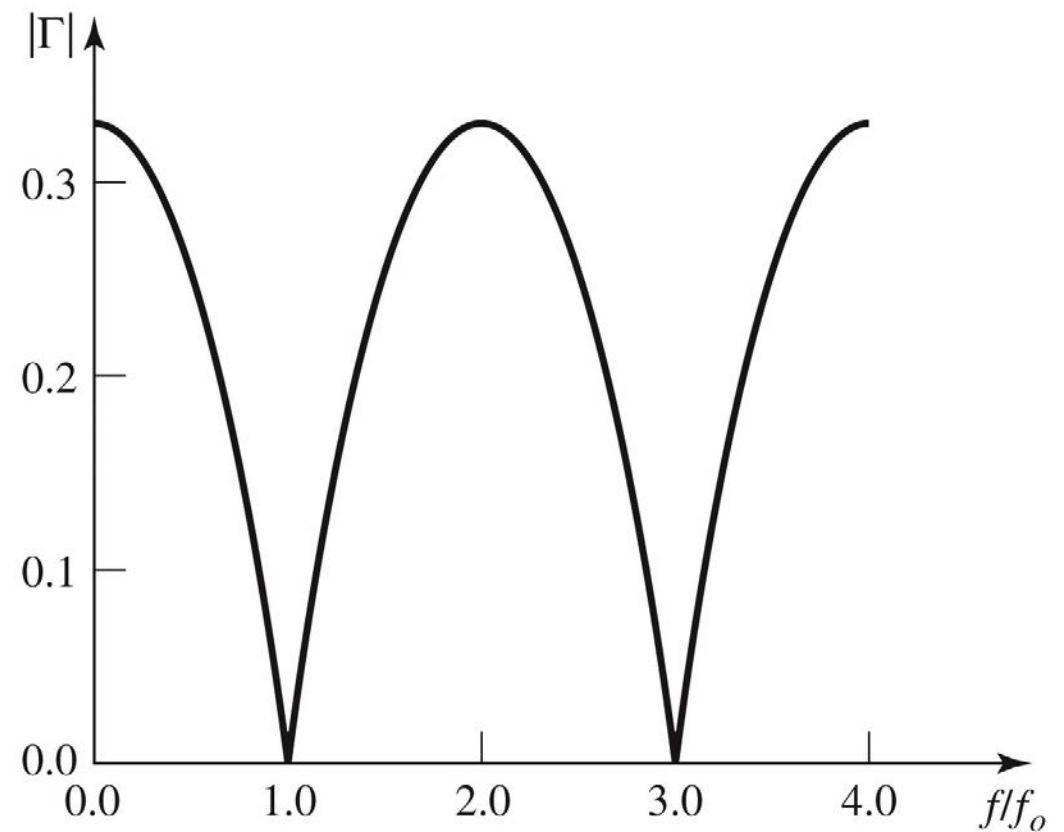
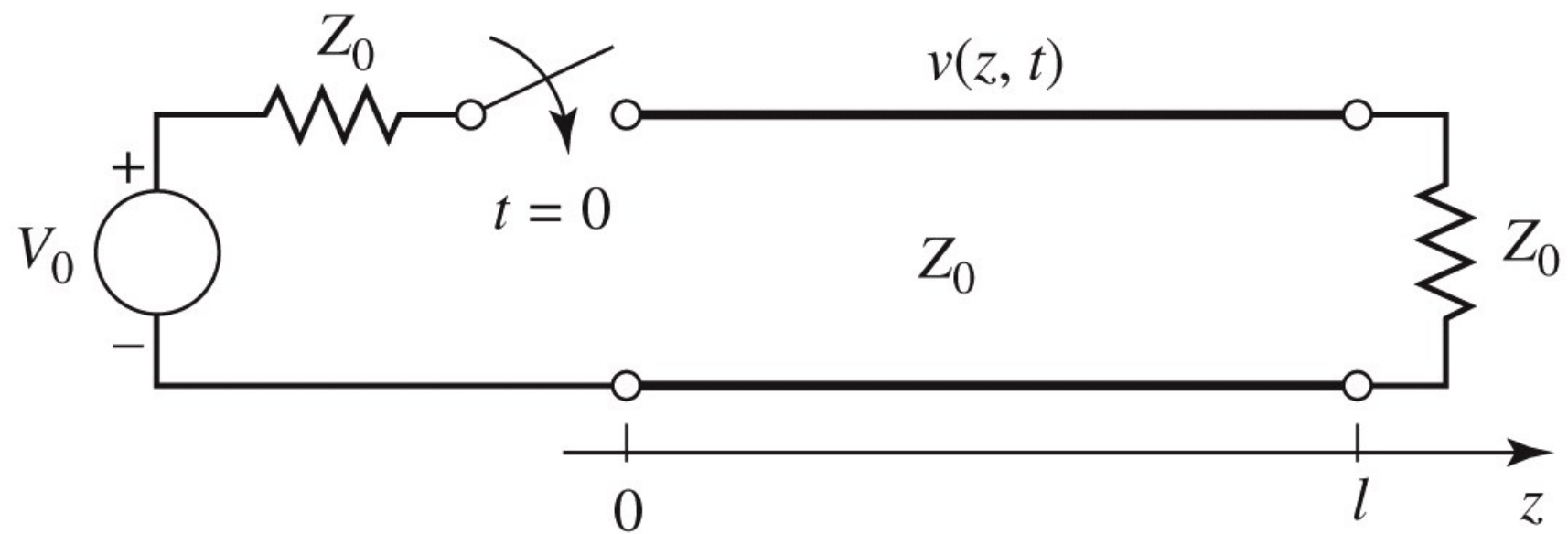
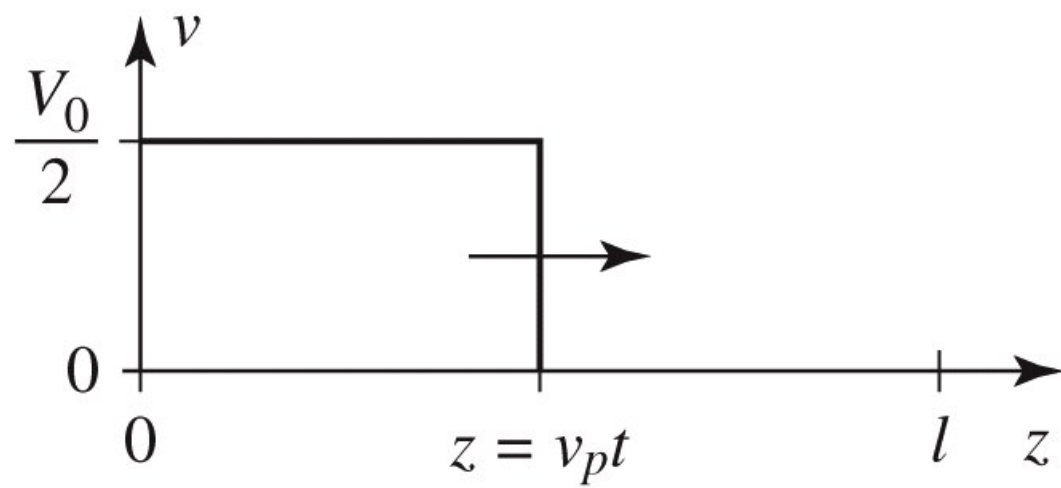


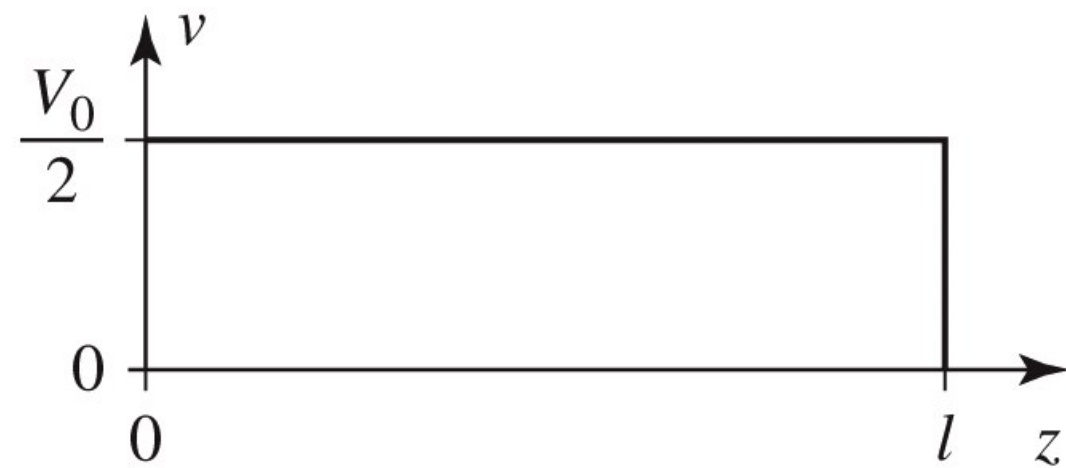
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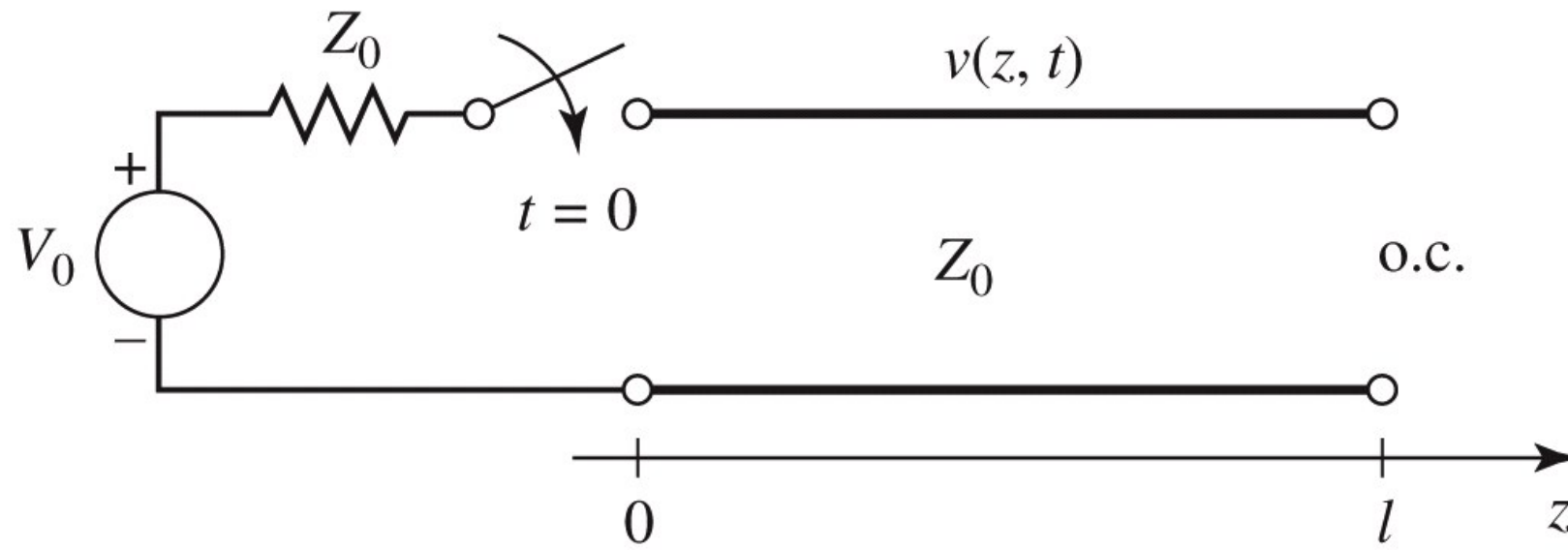


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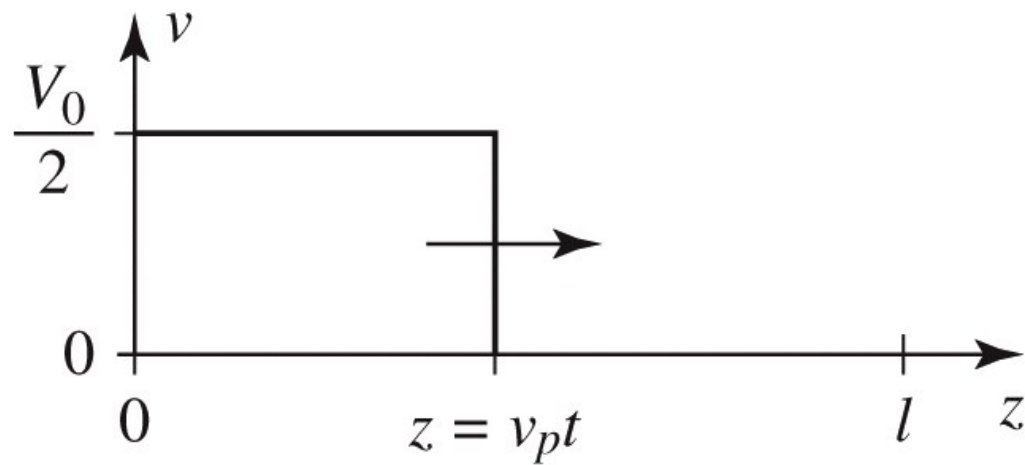


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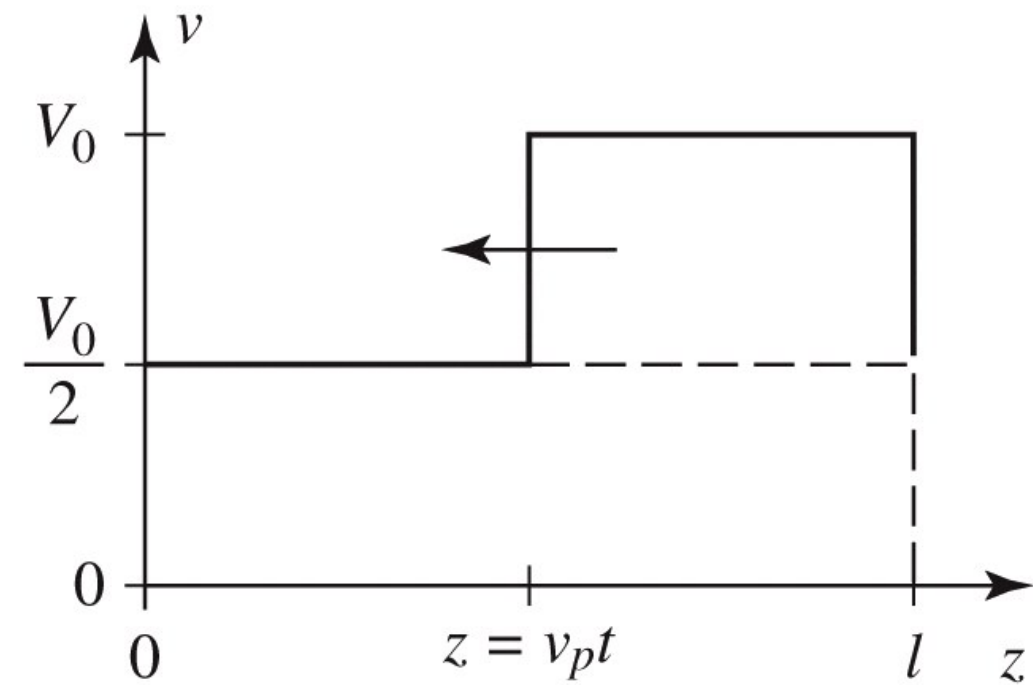
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