SECTION 4: TRANSMISSION LINES

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Transmission Lines

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Transmission and distribution of electrical power occurs over metal cables

- Overhead AC or DC
- Underground AC or DC
- In the U.S. nearly all transmission makes use of overhead AC lines
- These cables are good, but not perfect, conductors
 - Series impedance
 - Shunt admittance
- In this section of notes we'll look at how these are accounted for in equivalent circuit models



Electrical Properties of Transmission Lines

<u>Series resistance</u>

Voltage drop (IR) and real power loss (I²R) along the line
 Due to finite conductivity of the line

Series inductance

• Series voltage drop, no real power loss

Only self inductance (no mutual inductance) in balanced systems

Shunt conductance

- **\square** Real power loss (V^2G)
- Leakage current due to corona effects or leakage at insulators
- Typically neglected for overhead lines

Shunt capacitance

- Capacitance to other conductors and to ground
- Line-charging currents



Conductors

- Before getting into transmission line models, we'll take a look at the conductors themselves
- □ *Aluminum* is the most common conductor
 - Good conductivity
 - Light weight
 - Low cost
 - Plentiful supply
- Most common cable type combines aluminum and steel
 - Aluminum-conductor steel-reinforced (ACSR)
 - Bare, stranded cable
 - Core of steel strands provides strength
 - Outer aluminum strands provide good conductivity

ACSR Cables

- ACSR cables vary based on number of aluminum conductor strands and number of steel reinforcement strands
 - ACSR variants assigned bird code names, e.g.:
 - Dove: 26/7 Al/Steel stranding
 - Bluebird: 84/19 Al/Steel stranding



- Another increasingly popular cable type is *all-aluminum-alloy conductor* (*AAAC*)
 - Stronger
 - Lighter
 - Higher conductivity
 - More expensive

Cables

- Cables are sized to provide the required current-carrying capability or *ampacity*
 - Number of individual strands
 - Diameter of individual strands
- Strand and cable *diameter* commonly measured in *mils*

1 mil = 0.001"

Cross-sectional area often measured in circular mils or cmil
 Area of a circle with a diameter of d = 1 mil = 0.001"

$$1 \ cmil = \pi \left(\frac{0.001}{2}\right)^2 = 785 \times 10^{-9} \ sq \ in$$

• Area in *cmil* of a cable with diameter *d mil*:

$$A = d^2$$

ACSR Cable

Consider, for example, *Falcon ACSR cable*

- 54/19: 54 Al strands with a core of 19 steel strands
- Al strand diameter: 172 mil
 - Al strand area: $(172 \ mil)^2 = 29.584 \ kcmil$
- **D** Steel strand diameter: 103 mil
 - Steel strand area: $(103 mil)^2 = 10.609 kcmil$
- Cable diameter: 1.545"
 - Cable area: $(1545 \ mil)^2 = 2387 \ kcmil$
- Ampacity: 1380 A
- **•** Weight: 10,777 *lb/mi*

Bundling

In addition to increasing cable cross-sectional area, ampacity can be increased by adding additional cables to each phase – *bundling*



Two-, three-, and four-cable bundles are common:



Bundling

- Typical bundling:
 - **345 kV: two conductors**
 - 500 kV: three conductors
 - **765** kV: four conductors
- Advantages of bundling:
 - Lower resistance
 - Lower reactance (inductance)
 - Increased ampacity
 - Reduced electric field gradient surrounding phase conductor
 - Reduced corona
 - Reduced loss, noise, and RF interference
 - Improved heat dissipation

Insulators

- Cables are supported by towers
 - Must connect, while retaining electrical isolation
- Connections are typically made through ceramic or glass insulators
- High-voltage lines suspended by strings of insulator discs
- One or two strings
 Two prevents sway
- Number of discs dictated by line voltage, e.g.:
 4-6 for 69 kV
 30-35 for 765 kV



Transposition

- Transmission-line inductance and capacitance determined by geometry
 - Cable size and relative spacing
- Consider three phases laid out side-by-side



Phases a and c will have similar inductance and capacitance
 Inductance and capacitance of phase b will differ

Transposition

Transposition

- Switch the position of each phase twice along the length of the line
- Each phase occupies each position for one third of the line length
- Line remains balanced







Short-Line Model

- How we choose to model the electrical characteristics of a transmission line depends on the length of the line
- □ **Short-line model**:
 - \Box < ~80 km
 - Lumped model
 - Account only for series impedance
 - Neglect shunt capacitance



- R and ωL are resistance and reactance per unit length, respectively
 Each with units of Ω/m
- \Box *l* is the length of the line

Medium-Line Model

<u>Medium-line model – nominal- π model:</u>

- 80 km < l < 250 km
- Lumped model
- Now include shunt capacitance



 $z = R + j\omega L \ \Omega/m$ and $Z = zl \ \Omega$ $y = \omega C \ S/m$ and $Y = yl \ S$

Still a *lumped* model

All impedances and admittances lumped into one or two circuit components

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Transmission Lines as Two-Port Networks

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- Before moving on to a model for longer transmission lines, we'll look at an alternative tool for characterizing transmission line networks
- We can treat transmission lines as general two-port networks



 As two-port networks, we can characterize transmission lines with their *ABCD parameters* or *chain parameters*

ABCD Parameters

 ABCD (or *chain* or *transmission* or *cascade*) parameters define the following two-port relationships

$$V_1 = AV_2 + BI_2$$
$$I_1 = CV_2 + DI_2$$

□ In matrix form, the *chain-parameter equations* are

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{V}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{I}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{V}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{I}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- □ *A*, *B*, *C*, and *D* are, in general, *complex numbers*
 - *A* and *D* are dimensionless
 - **\square** *B* is an impedance with units of Ω
 - **C** is an admittance with units of *S*
- \Box V_1 and V_2 are *line-to-neutral* voltages
- □ If the network is *reciprocal*, then AD BC = 1
- □ If the network is **symmetric**, then A = D

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ABCD Parameters – Short-Line Model

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- We'll now derive the ABCD parameters for the shorttransmission-line model



Applying KVL around the loop gives our first equation

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{S} - \boldsymbol{I}_{R}\boldsymbol{Z} - \boldsymbol{V}_{R} = \boldsymbol{0}$$
$$\boldsymbol{V}_{S} = \boldsymbol{V}_{R} + \boldsymbol{Z}\boldsymbol{I}_{R}$$

So,

$$A = 1$$
 and $B = Z$

ABCD Parameters – Short-Line Model



Applying KCL gives the second equation

$$I_s = I_R$$

and

$$C = 0$$
 and $D = 1$

The short-line ABCD matrix is

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & Z \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that, due to symmetry and reciprocity,

$$A = D$$
 and $AD - BC = 1$

ABCD Parameters – Medium-Line Model

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Next, for the medium-transmission-line model



□ Applying KVL around the loop gives our first equation

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{S} - \left(\boldsymbol{I}_{R} + \boldsymbol{V}_{R}\frac{Y}{2}\right)\boldsymbol{Z} - \boldsymbol{V}_{R} = 0$$
$$\boldsymbol{V}_{S} = \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right)\boldsymbol{V}_{R} + \boldsymbol{Z}\boldsymbol{I}_{R}$$

□ This is the first chain parameter equation, where

$$A = \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \text{ and } B = Z$$

ABCD Parameters – Medium-Line Model



□ For the second equation, apply KCL at the sending end

$$\boldsymbol{I}_s - \boldsymbol{V}_s \frac{\boldsymbol{Y}}{2} - \boldsymbol{I}_R - \boldsymbol{V}_R \frac{\boldsymbol{Y}}{2} = \boldsymbol{0}$$

 \Box Substituting in our previous expression for V_S

$$\boldsymbol{I}_{S} = \boldsymbol{V}_{R} \frac{Y}{2} + \boldsymbol{I}_{R} + \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \frac{Y}{2} \boldsymbol{V}_{R} + \frac{YZ}{2} \boldsymbol{I}_{R}$$
$$\boldsymbol{I}_{S} = \left(2 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \frac{Y}{2} \boldsymbol{V}_{R} + \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \boldsymbol{I}_{R}$$

□ This is the second chain-parameter equation, where

$$C = \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{4}\right)Y$$
 and $D = \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right)$

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ABCD Parameters – Medium-Line Model



□ The medium-line chain parameters are

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) & Z\\ \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{4}\right)Y & \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

- □ Again, note that, due to symmetry and reciprocity, A = D and AD BC = 1
- □ Also note that allowing $Y \rightarrow 0$ yields the chain parameters for the short-line model

Cascading Two-Port Networks

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- ABCD parameters or chain parameters are also called cascade parameters
- If we cascade multiple two-port networks, the ABCD parameter matrix for the cascade is the product of the individual ABCD parameter matrices



 $ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} A_1A_2 + B_1C_2 & A_1B_2 + B_1D_2 \\ C_1A_2 + D_1C_2 & C_1B_2 + D_1D_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Cascaded Two-Ports - Example

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- For example, consider the cascade of the following two two-port networks



ABCD parameters for the first network are

$$ABCD_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 + \frac{Y_{1}Z_{1}}{2}\right) & Z_{1} \\ \left(1 + \frac{Y_{1}Z_{1}}{4}\right)Y_{1} & \left(1 + \frac{Y_{1}Z_{1}}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + j4 & 2\Omega \\ -4 + j2S & 1 + j4 \end{bmatrix}$$

And for the second network

$$ABCD_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & Z \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \ \Omega \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the overall ABCD matrix is

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + j4 & 6 + j16 \ \Omega \\ -4 + j2 \ S & -15 + j12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cascaded Two-Ports - Example

□ If a sending-end voltage of $V_S = 120 \angle 0^\circ V$ is applied, and no load is connected, what is the receiving-end voltage?

$$V_S = 120 \angle 0^\circ V$$
 and $I_R = 0 A$
 $V_S = AV_R + BI_R$
 $120 \angle 0^\circ = (1 + j4)V_R$

The no-load receiving-end voltage is

$$V_R = \frac{120 \angle 0^{\circ}}{1 + j4} = 7.06 - j28.2 V$$
$$V_R = 29.1 \angle -75.96^{\circ} V$$

²⁹ Voltage Regulation

Voltage Regulation

- The voltage at the receiving end of a line will change depending on the load placed on the line
 - Magnitude of this change is quantified as voltage regulation

Voltage regulation:

 Change in receiving-end voltage from no load to full load, expressed as a percentage of the full-load voltage

$$\% VR = \frac{|V_{RNL}| - |V_{RFL}|}{|V_{RFL}|} \cdot 100\%$$

- Typically, transmission lines are designed to limit voltage regulation to about 10%
- As we've seen, the no-load voltage is given by

$$|V_{RNL}| = \frac{|V_S|}{A}$$

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- Consider a three-phase, 60 Hz, 345 kV transmission line with the following properties
 - 200 km long
 - **a** $z = 0.032 + j0.35 \Omega/km, y = j4.2 \mu S/km$
 - Full load is 700 MW at 95% of the rated voltage and a power factor of 0.99 leading
- Determine:
 - ABCD parameters for an appropriate transmission-line model
 - Phase shift between sending- and receiving-end voltages at full load
 - Percent voltage regulation

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□ Line is 200 km long, so a nominal- π model is appropriate



where

$$Z = z \cdot 200 \ km = 6.4 + j70 \ \Omega$$

 $Y = y \cdot 200 \ km = j840 \ \mu S$

□ The ABCD parameters are

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) & Z\\ \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{4}\right)Y & \left(1 + \frac{YZ}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.971 + j0.0027 & 6.4 + j70 \ \Omega\\ -1.13 + j828 \ \mu S & 0.971 + j0.0027 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} 0.971 \angle 0.159^{\circ} & 70.3 \angle 84.8^{\circ} \Omega \\ 828 \angle 90.08^{\circ} \mu S & 0.971 \angle 0.159^{\circ} \end{bmatrix}$$

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At full load the line-to-line receiving-end voltage is

 $V_{RFL} = 345 \ kV \cdot 0.95 = 327.8 \ kV_{LL}$

And the line-to-neutral voltage is

$$V_{RFL} = \frac{327.8 \ kV_{LL}}{\sqrt{3}} = 189.2 \ kV_{LN}$$

Using the receiving-end voltage as the reference, the receiving-end voltage phasor is

$$V_R = 189.2 \angle 0^\circ kV$$

Complex power to the load is

$$S_R = \frac{P}{pf} \angle \theta = \frac{700 \ MW}{0.99} \angle -\cos^{-1}(0.99)$$

$$S_R = 707.1 \angle -8.1^\circ MVA = 3 \cdot V_R I_R^*$$

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The receiving-end current phasor is

$$I_R = \left(\frac{\underline{S}_R}{\overline{V}_R}\right)^* = \frac{707.1 \angle 8.1^\circ MVA}{3 \cdot 189.2 \angle 0^\circ kV}$$
$$I_R = 1.25 \angle 8.1^\circ kA$$

To determine the phase shift from sending to receiving end, use chain parameters to determine V_S (line-to-neutral)

 $V_{S} = AV_{R} + BI_{R}$ $V_{S} = 0.971 \angle 0.159^{\circ} \cdot 189.2 \angle 0^{\circ} kV$ $+ 70.3 \angle 84.8^{\circ} \Omega \cdot 1.25 \angle 8.1^{\circ} kA$ $V_{S} = 199.8 \angle 26.1^{\circ} kV_{LN}$

 \square So, the phase shift along the line is -26.1°

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The percent voltage regulation is given by

$$%VR = \frac{|V_{RNL}| - |V_{RFL}|}{|V_{RFL}|} \cdot 100\%$$

The line-to-neutral no-load voltage is

$$|V_{RNL}| = \left|\frac{V_S}{A}\right| = \left|\frac{199.8 \angle 26.1^{\circ}}{0.971 \angle 0.159^{\circ}}\right| = 205.8 \, kV$$

The full-load line-to-neutral voltage was given to be

$$|V_{RFL}| = 189.2 \ kV$$

So, the percent voltage regulation is

$$\% VR = \frac{205.8 \, kV - 189.2 \, kV}{189.2 \, kV} \cdot 100\% = 8.7\%$$


Distributed Transmission Line Model

- The medium- and short-line models are *lumped* models
 - All series impedance lumped into one element
 - Shunt admittances lumped into two elements
- Real lines are *distributed* networks
 - Lumped models are inaccurate for long lines
- □ To treat a line as a distributed network, consider the impedance and admittance of a segment of *differential length*, Δx



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Apply KVL around the differential length of line

$$V(x + \Delta x) = V(x) + I(x)z\Delta x$$

$$\frac{V(x + \Delta x) - V(x)}{\Delta x} = zI(x)$$
(1)

□ If we let the length of the line segment, Δx , go to zero, we get

$$\frac{dV(x)}{dx} = zI(x)$$
(2)

- A first-order differential equation
 - This is a second-order segment, so we need a second first-order differential equation to describe it completely
- □ Apply KCL at $(x + \Delta x)$

$$I(x + \Delta x) = I(x) + V(x + \Delta x)y\Delta x$$
$$\frac{I(x + \Delta x) - I(x)}{\Delta x} = yV(x + \Delta x)$$
(3)

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 \Box Again, letting $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{dI(x)}{dx} = yV(x) \tag{4}$$

- Our goal is a single differential equation in V(x) to describe the segment of transmission line
 - Must eliminate I(x)
- \Box Solving (2) for I(x) and differentiating gives

$$\frac{dI(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{Z} \frac{d^2 V(x)}{dx^2}$$
(5)

 Substituting (5) into (4) yields the single second-order differential equation for the line segment

$$\frac{d^2 V(x)}{dx^2} - z y V(x) = 0 \tag{6}$$

 $\frac{d^2 V(x)}{dx^2} - z y \boldsymbol{V}(x) = 0 \tag{6}$

- This is a second-order, homogeneous, linear, constant-coefficient, ordinary differential equation
- Its characteristic equation is

$$s^2 - zy = 0$$

The roots of the characteristic polynomial are

$$s = \pm \sqrt{zy} = \pm \gamma$$

where $\gamma = \sqrt{zy}$ is the *propagation constant*, with units of m^{-1} (or rad/m) The solution to (6) is

$$\boldsymbol{V}(x) = K_1 e^{\gamma x} + K_2 e^{-\gamma x} \tag{7}$$

where K_1 and K_2 are unknown constants to be determined through application of boundary conditions

 We can get an expression for current by differentiating (7) and substituting back into (2)

$$\frac{dV(x)}{dx} = \gamma K_1 e^{\gamma x} - \gamma K_2 e^{-\gamma x} = z \mathbf{I}(x)$$

 \Box Solving for I(x)

$$I(x) = \frac{K_1 e^{\gamma x} - K_2 e^{-\gamma x}}{\frac{z}{\gamma}}$$
(8)

□ The term in the denominator of (8) is the *characteristic impedance* of the line, Z_c , with units of ohms (Ω)

$$Z_{c} = \frac{z}{\gamma} = \frac{z}{\sqrt{zy}} = \sqrt{\frac{z}{y}}$$

(9)

Using (9), (8) becomes

$$I(x) = \frac{K_1 e^{\gamma x} - K_2 e^{-\gamma x}}{Z_c}$$
(10)

- We can now apply boundary conditions to determine the two unknown coefficients, K₁ and K₂
- At the receiving end of the line, which we'll define to be x = 0, we have

$$V(0) = V_R$$
 and $I(0) = I_R$

So,

$$\boldsymbol{V}(0) = K_1 + K_2 = \boldsymbol{V}_R$$
$$\boldsymbol{I}(0) = \frac{K_1 - K_2}{Z_c} = \boldsymbol{I}_R$$

□ Solving each equation for K_2

$$K_2 = \boldsymbol{V}_R - K_1 = K_1 - Z_c \boldsymbol{I}_R$$

□ Solving for K_1 , then back-substituting to solve for K_2 gives

$$K_1 = \frac{V_R + Z_C I_R}{2}$$
$$K_2 = \frac{V_R - Z_C I_R}{2}$$

Substituting into (7) and (10)

$$\mathbf{V}(x) = \left(\frac{\mathbf{V}_R + Z_C \mathbf{I}_R}{2}\right) e^{\gamma x} + \left(\frac{\mathbf{V}_R - Z_C \mathbf{I}_R}{2}\right) e^{-\gamma x}$$
(11)

$$I(x) = \left(\frac{V_R + Z_C I_R}{2Z_C}\right) e^{\gamma x} - \left(\frac{V_R - Z_C I_R}{2Z_C}\right) e^{-\gamma x}$$
(12)

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 \Box Collecting V_R and I_R terms in (11) and (12)

$$\boldsymbol{V}(x) = \left(\frac{e^{\gamma x} + e^{-\gamma x}}{2}\right) \boldsymbol{V}_R + Z_C \left(\frac{e^{\gamma x} - e^{-\gamma x}}{2}\right) \boldsymbol{I}_R$$
(13)

$$\boldsymbol{I}(x) = \frac{1}{Z_c} \left(\frac{e^{\gamma x} - e^{-\gamma x}}{2} \right) \boldsymbol{V}_R + \left(\frac{e^{\gamma x} + e^{-\gamma x}}{2} \right) \boldsymbol{I}_R \tag{14}$$

 The terms in parentheses can be represented as hyperbolic functions

$$V(x) = \cosh(\gamma x) V_R + Z_c \sinh(\gamma x) I_R$$
(15)
$$I(x) = \frac{1}{Z_c} \sinh(\gamma x) V_R + \cosh(\gamma x) I_R$$
(16)

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- Equations (15) and (16) give the chain parameters for the two-port network between a point at location x along the line and the receiving end

$$ABCD(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cosh(\gamma x) & Z_c \sinh(\gamma x) \\ \frac{1}{Z_c} \sinh(\gamma x) & \cosh(\gamma x) \end{bmatrix}$$

 For chain parameters between sending and receiving ends, we set x = l

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} \cosh(\gamma l) & Z_c \sinh(\gamma l) \\ \frac{1}{Z_c} \sinh(\gamma l) & \cosh(\gamma l) \end{bmatrix}$$

Propagation Constant

We defined the *propagation constant* as

$$\gamma = \sqrt{zy}$$

□ This is, in general, a *complex* value

$$\gamma = \alpha + j\beta \tag{17}$$

- □ The real part, α , is the **attenuation constant**
 - Represents *loss* along the line
 - Due to series resistance and/or shunt conductance
- \Box The imaginary part, β , is the **phase constant**
 - Represents change in phase along the line
 - Due to series reactance and/or shunt susceptance



Long-Line Equivalent π Circuit

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- Now that we have exact ABCD parameters for a distributed transmission line, we can create an equivalent π circuit



- □ Here we're using Z' and Y' to distinguish from Z = zl and Y = yl of the lumped, nominal π -circuit model
- $\hfill\square$ Equating the ABCD parameters with those for the equivalent π circuit above

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cosh(\gamma l) & Z_c \sinh(\gamma l) \\ \frac{1}{Z_c} \sinh(\gamma l) & \cosh(\gamma l) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \frac{Y'Z'}{2} & Z' \\ Y'\left(1 + \frac{Y'Z'}{4}\right) & 1 + \frac{Y'Z'}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Long-Line Equivalent π Circuit

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 \Box Equating the *B* parameters, we see that

$$Z' = Z_c \sinh(\gamma l) \tag{18}$$

□ Using (18) in the *A*-parameter equation gives

$$1 + \frac{Y'}{2}Z_c \sinh(\gamma l) = \cosh(\gamma l)$$
$$\frac{Y'}{2} = \frac{\cosh(\gamma l) - 1}{Z_c \sinh(\gamma l)} = \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{\gamma l}{2}\right)}{Z_c}$$

□ The equivalent π circuit for long transmission lines (>250 km) is

$$V_{s} \xrightarrow{Y'}_{z} = \frac{tanh(\gamma \ell/2)}{Z_{c}} \xrightarrow{I_{R}} V_{R}$$

Long-Line vs. Medium-Line Models

□ We can compare this equivalent π circuit with the nominal π circuit used for medium-length lines, where

$$Z = zl$$
 and $\frac{Y}{2} = y\frac{l}{2}$

Rewriting (18) using the definition for characteristic impedance,

$$Z' = \sqrt{\frac{z}{y}} \sinh(\gamma l) = zl \left(\sqrt{\frac{z}{y}} \frac{\sinh(\gamma l)}{zl}\right)$$
$$Z' = zl \frac{\sinh(\gamma l)}{\sqrt{zy} l}$$
$$Z' = Z \left(\frac{\sinh(\gamma l)}{\gamma l}\right)$$
(20)

 We see that the series impedance of the long-line model is equal to that of the medium-line model, multiplied by a correction factor

Long-Line vs. Medium-Line Models

Doing the same for the shunt admittance, we have

$$\frac{\gamma'}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{y}{z}} \tanh(\frac{\gamma l}{2}) = \frac{yl}{2} \left(\sqrt{\frac{y}{z}} \frac{\tanh(\frac{\gamma l}{2})}{\frac{yl}{2}} \right)$$

$$\frac{Y'}{2} = \frac{yl}{2} \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{\gamma l}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{zy}\frac{l}{2}}$$

$$\frac{Y'}{2} = \frac{Y}{2} \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{\gamma l}{2}\right)}{\frac{\gamma l}{2}}$$

□ Again, we see a similar correction factor relating the admittance, Y, of the lumped, nominal π circuit to the admittance of the distributed, equivalent π circuit, Y'

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Lossless Lines

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- Transmission line models can be simplified significantly if we neglect loss
 - Sacrifice accuracy for the sake of simplicity
- Series resistance, R, and shunt conductance, G, are the model parameters accounting for loss

• Let $R \rightarrow 0$ and $G \rightarrow 0$ – (we've already assumed G = 0)

Propagation constant for a lossless line is

$$\gamma = j\beta$$

\square The *attenuation constant* is now zero, $\alpha \rightarrow 0$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{zy} = \sqrt{j\omega L \cdot j\omega C} = j\omega \sqrt{LC} = j\beta$$
$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{LC}$$

Lossless Lines – ABCD Parameters

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- Using the propagation constant for a lossless line, the distributed model chain parameters become

$$A(x) = D(x) = \cosh(j\beta x) = \frac{e^{j\beta x} + e^{-j\beta x}}{2}$$

$$A(x) = D(x) = \cos(\beta x)$$

$$B(x) = Z_c \sinh(j\beta x) = Z_c \frac{e^{j\beta x} - e^{-j\beta x}}{2}$$

$$B(x) = jZ_c \sin(\beta x)$$

$$C(x) = \frac{1}{Z_c} \sinh(j\beta x) = \frac{1}{Z_c} \frac{e^{j\beta x} - e^{-j\beta x}}{2}$$

$$C(x) = j \frac{\sin(\beta x)}{Z_c}$$

Lossless Lines – ABCD Parameters

Chain parameters at a distance x from the end of a lossless line are

$$ABCD(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta x) & jZ_c \sin(\beta x) \\ j\frac{\sin(\beta x)}{Z_c} & \cos(\beta x) \end{bmatrix}$$

□ And at the sending end of a line of length $l, x \rightarrow l$, and we have

$$ABCD = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta l) & jZ_c \sin(\beta l) \\ j \frac{\sin(\beta l)}{Z_c} & \cos(\beta l) \end{bmatrix}$$

 The characteristic impedance of the lossless line is called the *surge impedance*

$$Z_c = \sqrt{\frac{z}{y}} = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega L}{j\omega C}} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

Equivalent π Circuit – Lossless Line



□ For the *lossless line*

$$\gamma = j\beta$$

SO,

$$Z' = Z_c \sinh(j\beta l) = j \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \sin(\beta l) = jX'$$

and,

$$\frac{Y'}{2} = \frac{\tanh\left(\frac{j\beta l}{2}\right)}{Z_c} = j\frac{\tan\left(\frac{\beta l}{2}\right)}{Z_c}$$

Wavelength

The voltage along the lossless line is

$$V(x) = A(x)V_R + B(x)I_R$$
$$V(x) = \cos(\beta x)V_R + jZ_c\sin(\beta x)I_R$$

- □ A *wavelength*, λ , is the distance required for a phase shift of 360° along the line
- □ There is a 360° phase shift when $x = \lambda$ and

$$\beta\lambda = 2\pi$$

The wavelength is

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{f\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{\nu}{f}$$

where $v = 1/\sqrt{LC}$ is the **propagation velocity** along the line

Wavelength

For overhead transmission lines,

 $\nu \approx c \approx 3 \times 10^8 m/s$

- That is, electrical waves propagate along the line at roughly the speed of light
- □ At 60 Hz, the wavelength is

$$\lambda = \frac{\nu}{f} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{60} = 5000 \ km$$

- □ This is approximately the distance across the U.S.
 - Most transmission lines are significantly shorter than a wavelength



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Surge impedance loading (SIL)

- The power delivered by a transmission line to a resistive load whose impedance is equal to the surge impedance, Z_c, of that transmission line
- □ At SIL, the load current is

$$\boldsymbol{I}_R = \frac{\boldsymbol{V}_R}{\boldsymbol{Z}_c}$$

□ The voltage along the line is

$$V(x) = \cos(\beta x) V_R + jZ_c \sin(\beta x) I_R$$
$$V(x) = \cos(\beta x) V_R + jZ_c \sin(\beta x) \frac{V_R}{Z_c}$$
$$V(x) = V_R [\cos(\beta x) + j \sin(\beta x)]$$
$$V(x) = V_R \angle \beta x$$

Note that at SIL, the *magnitude* of the voltage is constant along the line
 A *flat voltage profile*

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□ At SIL, the current along the line is given by

$$I(x) = j \frac{\sin(\beta x)}{Z_c} V_R + \cos(\beta x) \frac{V_R}{Z_c}$$
$$I(x) = \frac{V_R}{Z_c} [\cos(\beta x) + j \sin(\beta x)]$$
$$I(x) = \frac{V_R}{Z_c} \angle \beta x$$

The complex power along the line is

$$S(x) = V(x)I(x)^* = (V_R \angle \beta x) \left(\frac{V_R}{Z_c} \angle \beta x\right)^*$$
$$S(x) = \frac{|V_R|^2}{Z_c} = P(x) + jQ(x)$$

At SIL

Power flow is independent of position along the line

Reactive power is zero

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- Surge impedance loading is typically defined in terms of a transmission line's rated voltage

$$SIL = \frac{V_{rated}^2}{Z_c}$$

- At SIL, we've seen that the voltage profile along a transmission line is flat
- □ At no load, $I_R = 0$, and the voltage is given by

$$\boldsymbol{V}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \cos(\beta \boldsymbol{x}) \, \boldsymbol{V}_{RNL}$$

□ The source voltage is

$$V_S = \cos(\beta l) V_{RNL}$$

So the receiving-end voltage in terms of the sending-end voltage is

$$V_{RNL} = \frac{V_S}{\cos(\beta l)}$$

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The no-load receiving-end voltage is

$$V_{RNL} = \frac{V_S}{\cos(\beta l)}$$

□ As long as $\beta l \leq \pi/2$, i.e. $l \leq \lambda/4$,

- Voltage will increase along the length of the line
- No-load receiving-end voltage is greater than the sending-end voltage
- Voltage regulation worsens
 with increasing line length





Real Power vs. Voltage Angle

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- $\hfill\square$ Assume a voltage angle between the sending and receiving ends of a lossless line of δ

$$V_R = V_R \angle 0^\circ$$
 and $V_S = V_S \angle \delta$

Using the equivalent π network for the lossless line, we can determine the receiving-end current



□ Applying KCL at the receiving end

$$I_R = \frac{V_S - V_R}{jX'} - j\frac{B'}{2}V_R$$
$$I_R = \frac{V_S \angle \delta - V_R \angle 0^\circ}{jX'} - j\frac{B'}{2}V_R \angle 0^\circ$$

Real Power vs. Voltage Angle

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□ The complex power at the load is

$$S_{R} = V_{R}I_{R}^{*} = \frac{V_{R}V_{S} \angle -\delta - V_{R}^{2}}{-jX'} + j\frac{B'}{2}V_{R}^{2}$$

$$S_{R} = j\frac{V_{R}V_{S} \angle -\delta}{X'} - j\frac{V_{R}^{2}}{X'} + j\frac{B'}{2}V_{R}^{2}$$

$$S_{R} = j\frac{V_{R}V_{S}}{X'}[\cos(-\delta) + j\sin(-\delta)] - j\frac{V_{R}^{2}}{X'} + j\frac{B'}{2}V_{R}^{2}$$

$$V_{R}V_{S} = [V_{R}V_{S} - V_{R}^{2} - B'_{R}]$$

$$\boldsymbol{S}_{R} = \frac{V_{R}V_{S}}{X'}\sin(\delta) + j\left[\frac{V_{R}V_{S}}{X'}\cos(\delta) - \frac{V_{R}^{2}}{X'} + \frac{B'}{2}V_{R}^{2}\right]$$

□ The real power delivered is

$$P_R = P_S = \mathcal{R}e\{S_R\} = \frac{V_R V_S}{X'}\sin(\delta)$$

Power Flow – Lossless Lines

 $\hfill\square$ The delivered power is a function of the voltage phase shift along the line, δ

$$P_R = \frac{V_R V_S}{X'} \sin(\delta)$$

For the lossless line the series reactance is

$$X' = Z_c \sin(\beta l)$$

so,

$$P_R = \frac{V_R V_S}{Z_c \sin(\beta l)} \sin(\delta) = \frac{V_R V_S}{Z_c \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)} \sin(\delta)$$

Power Flow – Lossless Lines

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• Converting V_R and V_S to per unit

$$P_{R} = \left(\frac{V_{R}}{V_{rated}}\right) \left(\frac{V_{S}}{V_{rated}}\right) \frac{V_{rated}^{2}}{Z_{c} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)} \sin(\delta)$$

$$P_{R} = V_{R,pu} V_{S,pu} \left(\frac{V_{rated}^{2}}{Z_{c}}\right) \frac{\sin(\delta)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}$$

□ The term in parentheses is SIL, so

$$P_R = V_{R,pu} V_{S,pu} SIL \frac{\sin(\delta)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}$$

- This provides a relationship between:
 - Power delivered over a transmission line
 - Voltage drop along the line
 - Power angle

Maximum Power Flow – Lossless Lines



- The delivered power is a function of the voltage phase shift along the line
- \square Maximum power occurs when $\delta = 90^{\circ}$

$$P_{max} = \frac{V_R V_S}{Z_c \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)} = \frac{V_{R,pu} V_{S,pu} SIL}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}$$

The steady-state stability limit of a line

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Steady-State Stability Limit

$$P_{max} = \frac{V_R V_S}{Z_c \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)} = \frac{V_{R,pu} V_{S,pu} SIL}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}$$

- This maximum power is the steady-state stability limit of a transmission line
- Loads exceeding this limit will result in a loss of synchronism at the receiving end
 - Synchronous machines at the sending and receiving ends will fall out of synchronization
- Steady-state stability limit proportional to
 - Inverse of line length
 - Square of the line voltage

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Transmission Line Loadability

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- Three primary factors limit power flow over transmission lines:
 - Phase shift
 - Voltage drop
 - Thermal limit
- Relevant limit depends on line length

Phase shift:

- Proportional to *line length* and *power flow*
- Phase shift places a *stability* limit on power flow
- Exceeding P_{max} ($\delta = 90^{\circ}$) results in loss of synchronism
- \blacksquare For satisfactory transient stability, typically $\delta \leq 30^\circ \dots 35^\circ$
- **Stability** limits the loadability of *long transmission lines* (>150 mi)
Transmission Line Loadability

Voltage drop:

- Voltage drop along a line is also proportional to *line length* and *power flow*
- Typically, voltage drop limited to 5% 10%
- Voltage drop limits power flow on medium-length lines (50mi – 150 mi)

<u>Thermal limits</u>

- As power flow increases, line temperature increases
- As temperature increases, lines sag and loose tensile strength
- A line's thermal limit is independent of line length
- **Thermal limits** dominate for **short lines** (<50 mi)

Transmission Line Loadability

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- Comparison of theoretical and practical loadability limits
- Practical limit assumes:
 $V_R/V_s \ge 0.95$ $\delta \le 30^\circ \dots 35^\circ$



Practical Line Loadability – Example

- Determine how much power that can be transmitted over a 400 km, 500 kV transmission line, given the following:
 - Voltage drop along the line limited to 10%
 - Power angle limited to $\delta_{max} = 30^{\circ}$
 - **•** The characteristic impedance of the line is $Z_c = 280\Omega$

• Assume
$$V_{S,pu} = 1.0 p. u.$$

Power delivered to the receiving end of the line is

$$P_R = V_{R,pu} V_{S,pu} SIL \frac{\sin(\delta)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}$$

$$P_R = 0.9 \cdot 1.0 \cdot SIL \frac{\sin(30^\circ)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi \cdot 400 \ km}{5000 \ km}\right)}$$

□ In terms of SIL, the power the line can deliver is

$$P_R = 0.934 \cdot SIL$$

Surge impedance loading for the line is

$$SIL = \frac{V_{rated}^2}{Z_c} = \frac{(500 \ kV)^2}{280 \ \Omega} = 892.9 \ MW$$

SO,

$$P_R = 0.934 \cdot 892.9 \, MW$$

$$P_R = 834 \, MW$$

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A 180 km, three-phase transmission line delivers 80 MW at 115 kV and a power factor of 0.96, lagging. The series impedance of the lines is $z = 0.03 + j0.3 \Omega/km$, and the shunt admittance is $y = j4 \mu S/km$.

a) Determine the appropriate set of chain parameters for the line.

b) How much power is delivered to the sending end of the line?

A 500 km transmission line with surge impedance of $Z_c = 270 \ \Omega$ is used to deliver 1800 MW from a power plant to a load center. If the voltage drop along the line is limited to 6%, and the power angle is limited to 33°, what is the minimum rated voltage for the line?

A 400 km, 500 kV transmission line has a series impedance of $z = 0.03 + j0.35 \Omega/km$ and a shunt admittance of $y = j4.4 \mu S/km$. At full load, it delivers 1000 MW at 475 kV and unity power factor. Determine:

- a) ABCD parameters
- b) Sending-end voltage, current, power, and power factor
- c) Full-load line losses



Reactive Compensation

- Voltage profile and loadability of a transmission line depend on relative line and load impedances
 - By varying line impedance, we can affect voltage regulation and line loadability
 - Add shunt or series reactance to the line *reactive compensation*

Types of reactive compensation

- Shunt reactors (inductors)
 - Absorb reactive power
 - Reduce receiving-end voltage under light load
 - Must be removed under higher-load conditions

Shunt capacitors

- Supply reactive power
- Increase receiving-end voltage at full load
- Removed under light-load conditions



Reactive Compensation

Types of reactive compensation (cont'd)

Series capacitors

- Reduce series line impedance
- Reduce line voltage drops
- Increase steady-state stability limit

Given Static VAR compensators (SVCs)

- Thyristor-controlled shunt reactors and capacitors
- Automatically adjust compensation depending on load

Reactive Compensation

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- Amount of reactive compensation is typically expressed as a percentage of line impedance



For example, the circuit above shows a transmission line with NL% shunt reactive compensation

- Consider a 300 km, 765 kV, three-phase transmission line with the following chain parameters:
 - **□** *A* = 0.9313∠0.209°
 - $\square B = Z' = 97 \angle 87.2^{\circ}$
 - Shunt reactors, switched in during light-load conditions only, provide 75% compensation
 - Full-load current is 1.9 kA at 730 kV with unity power factor
 - **\square** The sending-end voltage, V_S , is constant
- Determine:
 - %VR of the uncompensated line
 - %*VR* of the compensated line

□ Full-load, line-to-neutral, receiving-end voltage, using it as the 0° phase reference:

$$V_{RFL} = \frac{730}{\sqrt{3}} \angle 0^\circ kV = 421.5 \angle 0^\circ kV$$

- Use chain parameters to determine the sending-end voltage, V_S
 - $V_{S} = AV_{RFL} + BI_{RFL}$ $V_{S} = (0.9313 \angle 0.209^{\circ})(421.5 \angle 0^{\circ} kV) + (97 \angle 87.2^{\circ} \Omega)(1.9 \angle 0^{\circ} kA)$ $V_{S} = 442.3 \angle 24.8^{\circ} kV$
- □ The no-load, line-to-neutral, receiving-end voltage is

$$\boldsymbol{V}_{RNL} = \frac{\boldsymbol{V}_S}{A} = \frac{442.3 \angle 24.8^\circ kV}{0.9313 \angle 0.209^\circ} = 474.9 \angle 24.6^\circ kV$$

Percent voltage regulation for the uncompensated line is

$$\% VR = \frac{|V_{RNL}| - |V_{RFL}|}{|V_{RFL}|} \cdot 100\% = \frac{474.9 \ kV - 421.5 \ kV}{421.5 \ kV} \cdot 100\%$$

% VR = 12.7%

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- For the compensated line, we need to calculate new chain parameters
- Shunt admittance of the uncompensated line can be determined from the known chain parameters

$$A = 0.9313 \angle 0.209^\circ = 1 + \frac{Y'Z'}{2}$$

where

$$Z' = B = 97 \angle 87.2 \ \Omega$$

So,

$$Y' = \frac{(A-1)2}{Z'} = \frac{[(0.9313 \angle 0.209^{\circ}) - 1]2}{97 \angle 87.2^{\circ} \Omega}$$
$$Y' = 1.418 \times 10^{-3} \angle 89.97^{\circ} S$$
$$Y' = 759 \times 10^{-9} + j1.42 \times 10^{-3} S$$

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- After adding compensation, the equivalent shunt susceptance decreases by 75%

$$Y_{eq} = 759 \times 10^{-9} + j1.42 \times 10^{-3} S \cdot 0.25$$
$$Y_{eq} = 759 \times 10^{-9} + j355 \times 10^{-6} S$$

Use Y_{eq} to calculate the A parameter for the compensated line

$$A_{eq} = 1 + \frac{Y_{eq}Z'}{2} = 0.983 \angle 0.05^{\circ}$$

Note that shunt reactive compensation does not affect the series impedance, Z', and therefor does not affect B

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The no-load receiving-end voltage for the compensated line:

$$V_{RNL} = \frac{V_S}{A_{eq}} = \frac{442.3 \angle 24.8^{\circ} \, kV}{0.983 \angle 0.05^{\circ}}$$
$$V_{RNL} = 449.9 \angle 24.8^{\circ} \, kV$$

Percent voltage regulation for the compensated line is

$$\% VR = \frac{|V_{RNL}| - |V_{RFL}|}{|V_{RFL}|} \cdot 100\%$$
$$\% VR = \frac{449.9 \ kV - 421.5 \ kV}{421.5 \ kV} \cdot 100\%$$
$$\% VR = 6.8\%$$

Reactive compensation has improved voltage regulation from 12.7% to 6.8%

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- In this example we will use phasor diagrams to illustrate the relationship between reactive power flow and line voltage
- Consider a the following per-phase circuit
 - Could loosely represent a 69 kV subtransmission line
 - Values exaggerated for illustration purposes



 We will look at the effect of adding shunt capacitive compensation at the receiving end



Three scenarios considered:

- 1. $P_R = 145$ MW; no compensation; pf = 0.707, lagging
- 2. $P_R = 145$ MW; -j35 Ω shunt C; pf = 0.99, lagging
- 3. $P_R = 145$ MW; -j15 Ω shunt C; pf = 0.95, leading
- Note that real power to the load is held constant
 Equivalent load impedance adjusted to accomplish this
 Again, power is exaggerated for illustration purposes

Scenario #1:

- No reactive compensation
 P_R = 145 MW
 pf = 0.707, lagging
- Lagging current:
 - $\mathbf{I} = 6.98 \angle -52^{\circ} kA$
- □ Receiving end voltage: $V_R = 29.6 \angle -7.1^\circ kV$



Scenario #2:

- $-j35 \Omega$ shunt compensation
- $P_R = 145 \ MW$ ■ pf = 0.99, lagging



 Current magnitude and phase reduced:

 $\mathbf{I} = 3.97 \angle -14.5^{\circ} kA$

Receiving end voltage increased:

 $\mathbf{V}_R = 36.8 \angle - 8.2^\circ \, kV$



Scenario #3:

- $-j15 \Omega$ shunt compensation • $P_R = 145 MW$
- $\square pf = 0.95$, leading



Current now *leads* the source:

 $\mathbf{I} = 3.9 \angle 8.4^{\circ} \, kA$

 Receiving end voltage increased further:

 $\mathbf{V}_R = 39.2 \angle - 8.9^\circ \, kV$



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Draw a phasor diagram indicating V_S , I, V_L , and V_R for the following circuit for a source power of

