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## **ECE 391**

## **TRANSMISSION LINES**

Spring Term 2017

## **Midterm II**

Exam is closed book, closed notes; one sheet (2 pages) of notes and formulas allowed; 50 minutes. Show all work on the pages provided. No extra pages (use back if necessary). Read each question very carefully.

Box your final answer and include units where appropriate. Number of points for each problem is given in parenthesis (40 points total).

Total (40 pts.)	
Problem 3 (10 pts.)	
Problem 2 (12 pts.)	
Problem 1 (18 pts.)	

1. (18 pts.) A transmission line of characteristic impedance  $Z_0 = 50\Omega$  is terminated in an **unknown** load impedance  $Z_L$ . The voltage standing-wave pattern along the transmission line as function of distance from the termination is shown below.



(a) What is the standing-wave ratio on the line terminated in the unknown load impedance  $Z_L$ ?

- (b) Determine the wavelength on the line.
- (c) Determine the voltage magnitude of the outgoing wave,  $|V_0^+|$ .
- (d) Determine the reflection coefficient at the termination in magnitude and phase.

(e) Indicate the type of termination from the list shown below that produces the standing-wave pattern shown above.



(f) Determine  $|I|_{max}$  and  $|I|_{min}$  on the line.

(g) Sketch the corresponding current standing-wave plot in the graph below.



- 2. (12 pts.) A low-loss  $50\Omega$  transmission line of 100m length is found to attenuate a sinusoidal wave traveling from one end to the other by 6dB. It is known that dielectric loss is negligible.
  - (a) What is the voltage magnitude across a matched load if the magnitude of the voltage across the input terminals of the line is 10V?

(b) Determine the attenuation constant in Np/m.

(c) Applying the low-loss approximation, determine the resistance per-unit-length, R, of the transmission line in ohms/meter.

(d) Applying the low-loss approximation, determine the remaining per-unit-length parameters L, C, and G (don't forget to specify the proper units). Assume a phase velocity of  $v_p = 20$  cm/ns.

3. (10 pts.) An <u>unknown</u> resistive load  $R_T$  is connected through a transmission line section of length *d* and characteristic impedance  $Z_{0,2} = 100\Omega$  to a  $Z_{0,1} = 50\Omega$  transmission line, as shown below. At frequency  $f_0$ , line length *d* corresponds to a quarter-wavelength ( $d = \lambda/4$ ).



(a) What is the physical length of the 100 $\Omega$  line if  $f = f_0 = 200 \text{ MHz}$  and the effective dielectric constant of the transmission line is  $\varepsilon_{r,eff} = 4$ ?

(b) Determine  $R_T$  if at  $f = f_0$  the voltage standing-wave ratio on the 50 $\Omega$  line is VSWR = 1.

(c) What is the voltage standing-wave ratio on the 50 $\Omega$  line (with  $R_T$  from part b) if the frequency is doubled ( $f = 2f_0$ )?

(d) What is the voltage standing-wave ratio on the 50 $\Omega$  line if the load resistor  $R_T$  is replaced with an inductor L = 4 nH and the frequency is  $f = f_0 = 200$  MHz?