

# ITT "Reference Data for Radio Engineers" 24-13

## TRANSMISSION LINES

Smith chart, locate the point corresponding to 0.35 wavelength toward the generator from a voltage maximum, and  $swr = 2.22$ . Read the input normalized impedance as  $0.62 + j0.53$  with respect to  $Z_0 = 50$  ohms. Now the mismatch loss at the input can be determined by use of (3). However, since the generator impedance is nonreactive, (1) can be used if desired. Refer to the following paragraph and to the "Notes on Equation (3)" above.

With respect to  $100 + j0$  ohms, the normalized impedance at the line input is  $0.31 + j0.265$ , which gives  $swr = 3.5$  according to the Smith chart. Then by (1),  $P_m/P = 1.45$ , giving a mismatch loss of 1.62 decibels. The transducer loss is found by using the results of examples 3 and 4 in (4). This is

$$1.27 + 2.00 + 1.62 = 4.9 \text{ decibels.}$$

## ATTENUATION AND RESISTANCE OF TRANSMISSION LINES AT ULTRA-HIGH FREQUENCIES

The normal or matched-line attenuation in decibels/100 feet is

$$A_{100} = 34R_l/Z_0 + 2.78f^{1/2}F_p$$

where the total line resistance/100 feet (for perfect surface conditions of the conductors) is, for copper coaxial line

$$R_l = 0.1(1/d + 1/D)f^{1/2}$$

and for copper 2-wire open line

$$R_l = (0.2/d)f^{1/2}$$

where  $D$  = diameter of inner surface of outer coaxial conductor in inches,  $d$  = diameter of conductors (coaxial-line center conductor) in inches,  $f$  = frequency in megahertz,  $\epsilon$  = dielectric constant relative to air, and  $F_p$  = power factor of dielectric at frequency  $f$ .

For other conductor materials, the resistance of conductor of diameter  $d$  (and similarly for  $D$ ) is

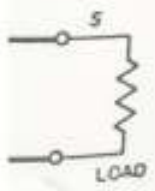
$$0.1(1/d) (f\mu_r/\rho_{cu})^{1/2} \text{ ohms/100 feet.}$$

Refer to section on "Skin Effect," in Chapter 6.

## RESONANT LINES

### Symbols

- $f_r$  = resonance frequency in megahertz
- $Q_u$  = conductance load in mhos at voltage standing-wave maximum, equivalent to some or all of the actual loads
- $k$  = coefficient of coupling
- $n$  = integral number of quarter wavelengths
- $p = k^2 Q_u Q_L$  = load transfer coefficient or matching factor



$$R_o \ll 1$$

- $P_r$  = power converted into heat in resonator
- $P_m$  = power available from generator in watts  
=  $E_{oc}^2/4R_{gen}$
- $P_z$  = power transferred when load is directly connected to generator (for single resonators); or an analogous hypothetical power (for two coupled resonators)
- $Q$  = figure of merit of a resonator as it exists, whether loaded or unloaded
- $Q_d$  = doubly loaded  $Q$  (all loads being included)
- $Q_s$  = singly loaded  $Q$  (all loads included except one). For a pair of coupled resonators,  $Q_{1s}$  is the value for the first resonator when isolated from the other. (Similarly for  $Q_{2s}$ )
- $Q_u$  = unloaded  $Q$
- $R_0$  = resistance load in ohms at voltage standing-wave minimum, equivalent to some or all of the actual loads
- $R_m$  = resistance similar to  $R_0$  except for unloaded resonator
- $R_1$  = generator resistance, referred to short-circuited end
- $R_2$  = load resistance
- $S_z = R_1/R_2$  or  $R_2/R_1$  = mismatch factor between generator and load
- $Z_{10}$  = characteristic impedance of the first of a pair of resonators
- $\theta_1$  = electrical angle from a voltage standing-wave minimum point

(A)  $Q$  of a resonator (electrical, mechanical or any other) is

$$Q = 2\pi \frac{\text{(energy stored)}}{\text{(energy dissipated per cycle)}} = 2\pi f \frac{\text{(energy stored)}}{\text{(power dissipation)}}$$

In a freely oscillating system, the amplitude decays exponentially.

$$I = I_0 \exp(-\pi ft/Q)$$

(B) Unloaded  $Q$  of a resonant line:

$$Q_u = \beta/2\alpha$$

the line length being  $n$  quarter-wavelengths, where  $n$  is a small integer. The losses in the line are equivalent to those in a hypothetical resistor at the short-circuited end (E), p. 24-4:

$$R_s = n\pi Z_0/4Q_u$$

(C) Loaded  $Q$  of a resonant line (Fig. 12):

$$Q^{-1} = Q_u^{-1} + (4R_s/n\pi Z_0) + (4G_u/n\pi Y_0) = (4/n\pi Z_0) (R_s + R_0 + G_u/Y_0^2)$$

All external loads can be referred to one end and represented by either  $R_0$  or  $G_u$  as in Fig. 13. The total loading is the sum of all the individual loadings.



Fig. 12—Quarter-wave line with loadings at nominal short-circuit and open-circuit points.

General conditions:

$$R_b/Z_o = G_o/Y_o \ll 1.0$$

or, roughly,  $Q > 5$ .

(D) Input admittance and impedance:

The converse of the equations for Fig. 13 can be used at the resonance frequency. Then  $R$  or  $G$  is the input impedance or admittance, while

$$R_b = \pi Z_o / 4Q_s$$

where  $Q_s$  = singly loaded  $Q$  with the losses and all the loads considered except that at the terminals where input  $R$  or  $G$  is being measured.

In the vicinity of the resonance frequency, the input admittance when looking into a line at a tap point  $\theta_1$  in Fig. 14 is approximately

$$Y = G + jB = \frac{\pi Y_o}{4 \sin^2 \theta_1} \left( Q_s^{-1} + j2 \frac{f-f_o}{f_o} \right)$$

provided

$$|f-f_o|/f_o \ll 1.0$$

and

$$|\theta [(f-f_o)/f_o] \cot \theta_1| \ll 1.0$$

where  $\theta = \pi r/2 =$  length of line at  $f_o$ . It is not valid when  $\theta_1 \approx 0, \pi, 2\pi$ , etc., except that it is good near the short-circuited end when  $f-f_o \approx 0$ .

Such a resonant line is approximately equivalent to a lumped LCG parallel circuit, where

$$\omega_o^2 L_1 C_1 = (2\pi f_o)^2 L_1 C_1 = 1.$$

Admittance of the equivalent circuit is

$$Y = G + j[\omega C_1 - (1/\omega L_1)]$$

$$\approx \omega_o C_1 [Q_s^{-1} + j2[(f-f_o)/f_o]].$$

Then, subject to the conditions stated above

$$L_1 = (4 \sin^2 \theta_1) / \pi \omega_o Y_o$$

$$C_1 = \pi Y_o / (4 \omega_o \sin^2 \theta_1) = \pi Y_o / (8 f_o \sin^2 \theta_1)$$

$$G = \pi Y_o / (4 Q_s \sin^2 \theta_1)$$

$$Q_s = \omega_o C_1 / G = 1 / \omega_o L_1 G.$$

Similarly, the input impedance at a point in

series with the line (Fig. 13C and D) is

$$Z = R + jX = \frac{\pi Z_o}{4 \cos^2 \theta_1} \left( Q_s^{-1} + j2 \frac{f-f_o}{f_o} \right)$$

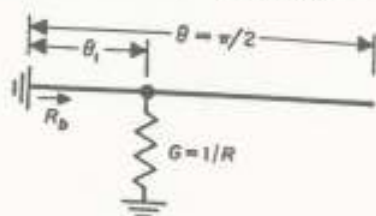
provided

$$|f-f_o|/f_o \ll 1.0$$

and

$$|\theta [(f-f_o)/f_o] \tan \theta_1| \ll 1.0.$$

It is not valid when  $\theta_1 \approx \pi/2, 3\pi/2$ , etc.

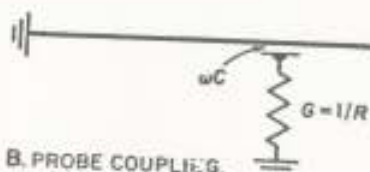


A. SHUNT OR TAPPED LOAD.

$$R_b = (Z_o^2 / R) \sin^2 \theta,$$

OR

$$G_o = G \sin^2 \theta = R_b / Z_o^2$$



B. PROBE COUPLING.

$$G_o = (\omega^2 C^2 / G) \sin^2 \theta,$$

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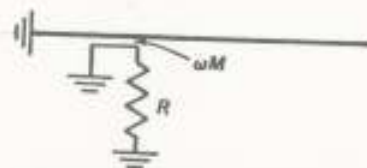
$$R_b = Z_o^2 \omega^2 C^2 R \sin^2 \theta,$$

PROVIDED  $G \gg \omega^2 C^2$



C. SERIES LOAD.

$$R_b = R \cos^2 \theta,$$



D. LOOP COUPLING.

$$R_b = (\omega^2 M^2 / R) \cos^2 \theta,$$

PROVIDED  $X_{loop} \ll R$

Fig. 13—Typical loaded quarter-wave sections with apparent  $R_b$  equivalent to the loading at distance  $\theta$ , from voltage-minimum point of the line. Outer conductor not shown.

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Fig. 14—Res

The voltage standing-wave ratio at resonance, on the generator (Fig. 15) is

$$S = (R_2 + R_u) / R_1$$

$$= \frac{(R_2/R_1) Q_u + Q_d}{Q_u - Q_d}$$

When  $R_1 = R_2$

$$S = \frac{1 + Q_d/Q_u}{1 - Q_d/Q_u}$$

$$\rho = Q_d/Q_u$$

(E) Insertion loss (Fig. 15): At resonance, for

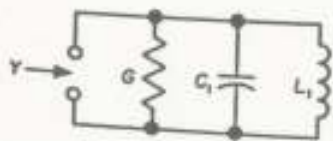
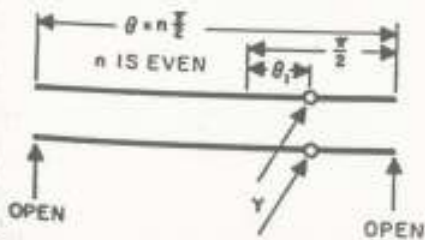
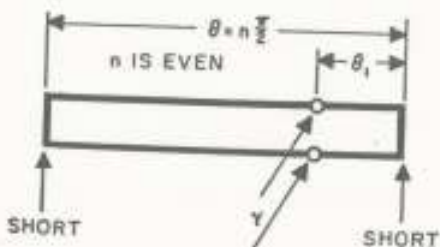
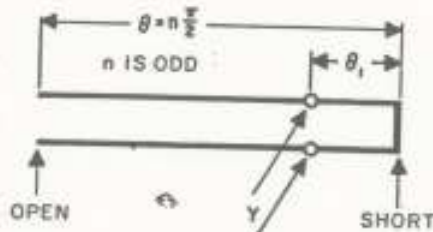


Fig. 14—Resonant transmission lines and their equivalent lumped circuit.

either a distributed or a lumped-constant device (dissipation loss)

$$= 10 \log_{10}(P_s/P_{out})$$

$$= 20 \log_{10}[1/(1 - Q_d/Q_u)]$$

$$\approx 20 \log_{10}(1 + Q_d/Q_u)$$

$$\approx 8.7 Q_d/Q_u \text{ decibels}$$

(mismatch loss)

$$= 10 \log_{10}(P_{in}/P_s)$$

$$= 10 \log_{10}[(1 + S_x)^2/4S_x] \text{ decibels.}$$

The dissipation loss also includes a small additional mismatch loss due to the presence of the resonator. The error in the form  $20 \log_{10}(1 + Q_d/Q_u)$  is about twice that of the form  $8.7 Q_d/Q_u$ . The last expression ( $8.7 Q_d/Q_u$ ) is in error compared with the first,  $20 \log_{10}[1/(1 - Q_d/Q_u)]$ , by roughly  $-50(Q_d/Q_u)$  percent for  $(Q_d/Q_u) < 0.2$ .

The selectivity is given on page 9-7, where  $Q = Q_d$ . That equation is accurate over a smaller range of  $(f - f_0)$  for a resonant line than it is for a single tuned circuit.

At resonance\*

$$P_{out}/P_{in} = R_2 / (R_u + R_2)$$

$$= \frac{Q_u - Q_d}{Q_u + (R_2/R_1) Q_d} = 1 - Q_d/Q_u$$

where  $Q_u$  is for the resonator loaded with  $R_2$  only.

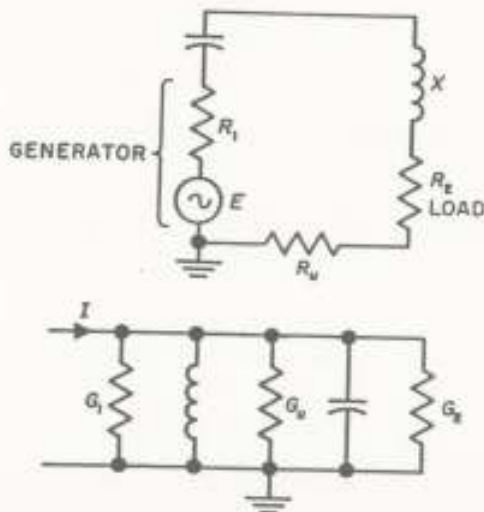


Fig. 15—Equivalent circuits of a resonant line (or a lumped tuned circuit) as seen at the short-circuited and open-circuited ends. All the power equations are good for either lumped or distributed parameters.

\* When the line is resonated by a reactive load ( $\theta \neq n\pi/2$ ), it is frequently preferable to use the resistance form of the equation. Compute  $R_u$  by the method given on p. 24-11, or on p. 24-5, where  $Z_1 = R_1(1 - jB_0/G_0)$ .

The maximum power transfer, for fixed  $Q_u$ ,  $Q_d$ , and  $Z_0$  occurs when  $R_1 = R_2$ . Then

$$P_{out}/P_{in} = (Q_u - Q_d)/(Q_u + Q_d) = 1 - Q_d/Q_u$$

$$P_{out}/P_m = (1 - Q_d/Q_u)^2$$

$$P_{in}/P_m = 1 - (Q_d/Q_u)^2$$

When the generator  $R_1$  or  $G_1$  is negligibly small (then  $Q = Q_u = Q_d$ )

$$(P_{in}/P_{out})_s = Q_u/(Q_u - Q)$$

(F) Power dissipation ( $= P_d$ ):

$$P_d/P_m = \frac{4(Q_d/Q_u)(1 - Q_d/Q_u)}{1 + R_2/R_1}$$

For matched input and output ( $R_1 = R_2$ )

$$P_d/P_m = 2(Q_d/Q_u)(1 - Q_d/Q_u)$$

$$\approx 2Q_d/Q_u \quad (\text{for } Q_d \ll Q_u)$$

$$P_d/P_{out} = 2Q_d/(Q_u - Q_d)$$

$$P_d/P_{in} = 2Q_d/(Q_u + Q_d)$$

For generator matched by load plus cavity

$$P_d/P_m = 2Q_d/Q_u$$

When the generator  $R_1$  or  $G_1$  is negligibly small

$$(P_d/P_{out})_s = Q/(Q_u - Q)$$

$$(P_d/P_{in})_s = Q_d/Q_u$$

(G) Voltage and current:

At the current-maximum point of an  $n$ -quarter-wavelength resonant line

$$I_{sc} = 4 \left[ \frac{P_m Q_d (1 - Q_d/Q_u)}{(1 + R_2/R_1) n \pi Z_0} \right]^{1/2}, \text{ rms amperes}$$

$$= 4 \left[ \frac{P_m Q_d}{[1 + ((R_2 + R_u)/R_1)] n \pi Z_0} \right]^{1/2}$$

When the generator  $R_1$  or  $G_1$  is negligibly small

$$I_{sc} = 2 \left[ \frac{P_s Q_d}{n \pi Z_0 (R_2 + R_u)/R_1} \right]^{1/2}$$

where  $P_s$  = rated power of generator,  $R_s$  = rated load impedance as transformed into current-maximum point of cavity, and  $I = I_{sc} \cos \theta_1$ , while  $E = Z_0 I_{sc} \sin \theta_1$ .

The voltage and current are in quadrature time phase.

When  $R_1 = R_2 + R_u$  and  $n = 1$

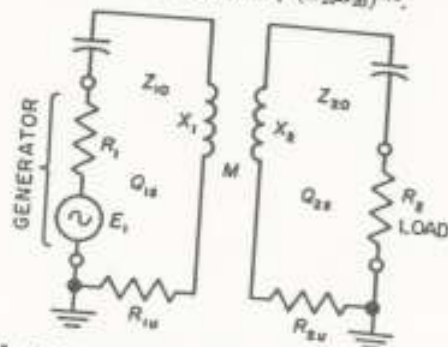
$$I_{sc} \approx (8P_m Q_d / \pi Z_0)^{1/2}$$

In a lumped-constant tuned circuit

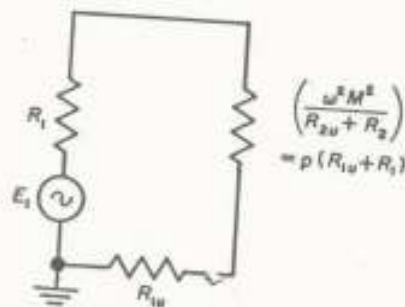
$$I = 2 \left[ \frac{P_m Q_d (1 - Q_d/Q_u)}{(1 + R_2/R_1) X} \right]^{1/2}$$

(H) Pair of coupled resonators (Fig. 16):  
With inductive coupling near the short-circuited end of a pair of quarter-wave resonant lines

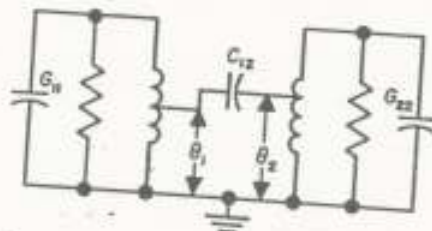
$$k = (4/\pi) \omega M / (Z_{10} Z_{20})^{1/2}$$



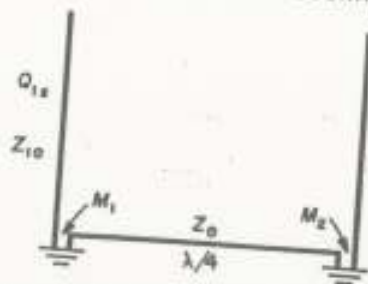
A. EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT WITH RESISTANCES AS SEEN AT THE SHORT-CIRCUITED END.



B. EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT OF FIRST RESONATOR AT RESONANCE FREQUENCY.



C. PROBE-COUPLED OR APERTURE-COUPLED RESONATORS.



D. QUARTER-WAVELENGTH LINE COUPLING.

Fig. 16—Two coupled resonators.

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