

# Impedance Matching with Transmission Lines



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### Introduction

Transmission lines have some special properties that can make them advantageous for impedance matching. First they can provide an open certain frequencies, and a short at others, making them useful for biasing, where an impedance needs to be a short at DC, but an open at a desired frequency. This property also allows them to short out harmonics of a signal, without attenuation of the desired signal. At very high frequencies (>2GHz), the physical dimensions of inductors and capacitor make them difficult to manufacture. At these frequencies, inductors and capacitors are replaced with transmission line, made cheap and small out of PC board.

### Inputs

$Z_{L} := 100\Omega$	Load Impedance			
$Z_S := 50\Omega$	Source Impedance			
$S_{11max} := -10dB$	Maximum Tolerable S11			
$f_c := 1GHz$	Center Frequency			
$\Delta f := 0.3 GHz$ $\varepsilon_r := 4.2$	Bandwidth Needed Relative Permittivity of LTCC			
	(Low Temperature Co-fired Ceramic)			
h := 60mil	PC Board Height for LTCC			

### **Transmission Line Synthesis Function**

$$\begin{split} W \Big( \epsilon_r, h, Z_0 \Big) &\coloneqq A \leftarrow \frac{Z_0}{600 hm} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2}} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} \cdot \left( 0.23 + \frac{0.11}{\epsilon_r} \right) \\ B \leftarrow \frac{3770 hm \cdot \pi}{2 \cdot Z_0 \cdot \sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \\ W_1 \leftarrow \frac{8 \cdot e^A \cdot h}{e^{2 \cdot A} - 2} \\ W_2 \leftarrow \frac{2 \cdot h}{\pi} \cdot \left[ B - 1 - \ln(2 \cdot B - 1) + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2 \cdot \epsilon_r} \cdot \left( \ln(B - 1) + 0.39 - \frac{0.61}{\epsilon_r} \right) \right] \\ W \leftarrow if \left( \frac{W_1}{h} < 2, W_1, if \left( \frac{W_2}{h} > 2, W_2, 0m \right) \right) \\ W \end{split}$$

# Single Shunt Stub Transmission Line Matching



Fig. 1: Single open shunt stub matching

Here a stub and a transmission line are used to match a transmission line input, with characteristic impedance of  $Z_S$ , to a complex load of impedance  $Z_L$ . A open circuit stub, of length l, is placed at the input with a transmission line connecting it to the load with a length, d. Both transmission line segments have a characteristic impedance of  $Z_S$ . You little (choice of two implementions) control over the bandwidth for single stub tuners.

$W_{val} \coloneqq W(\epsilon_r, h, Z_S)$	$W_{val} = 3.016 \mathrm{mm}$	Width of Transmission Lines
$\boldsymbol{\omega}_{c} \coloneqq 2 \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi} \cdot \mathbf{f}_{c}$	$\omega_{\rm c} = 6.283 \times 10^9  \frac{\rm rad}{\rm sec}$	Center Frequency
$\lambda := \frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot c}{\omega_c}$	$\lambda = 29.9 \mathrm{cm}$	Wavelength in Free Space
$R_L := Re(Z_L)$	$R_L = 100 \Omega$	Real Part of Load Impedance
$X_L := Im(Z_L)$	$X_L = 0 \Omega$	Imag part of Load Impedance

When designing transmission line transformers, there are multiple solutions to the matching problem. For an example, an additional wavelength of transmission line can be added to yield the same matching, but with a different frequency response. This is usually not done to keep the area small. Here multiple solutions are presented.

$$t_{1} \coloneqq \frac{X_{L} + \sqrt{\frac{R_{L}}{Z_{S}} \cdot \left[ \left( Z_{S} - R_{L} \right)^{2} + X_{L}^{2} \right]}}{R_{L} - Z_{S}}$$

$$t_{1} = 1.414$$
Coefficient for First Solution
$$t_{2} \coloneqq \frac{X_{L} - \sqrt{\frac{R_{L}}{Z_{S}} \cdot \left[ \left( Z_{S} - R_{L} \right)^{2} + X_{L}^{2} \right]}}{R_{L} - Z_{S}}$$

$$t_{2} = -1.414$$
Coefficient for Second Solution

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{d}_{1} &\coloneqq \lambda \cdot \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}(\mathbf{t}_{1}) \\ \mathbf{d}_{2} &\coloneqq \lambda \cdot \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \left(\pi + \operatorname{atan}(\mathbf{t}_{2})\right) \\ \mathbf{B}_{s1} &\coloneqq -\frac{\mathbf{R}_{L}^{2} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{1} - \left(\mathbf{Z}_{S} - \mathbf{X}_{L} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{1}\right) \cdot \left(\mathbf{X}_{L} + \mathbf{Z}_{S} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{1}\right)}{\mathbf{Z}_{S} \cdot \left[\mathbf{R}_{L}^{2} + \left(\mathbf{X}_{L} + \mathbf{Z}_{S} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{1}\right)^{2}\right]} \end{split}$$

$$B_{s2} := -\frac{R_{L}^{2} \cdot t_{2} - (Z_{S} - X_{L} \cdot t_{2}) \cdot (X_{L} + Z_{S} \cdot t_{2})}{Z_{S} \cdot \left[R_{L}^{2} + (X_{L} + Z_{S} \cdot t_{2})^{2}\right]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{S2} \\ B_{O1} &\coloneqq \frac{\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}(B_{S1} \cdot Z_S) \\ B_{S1} &\coloneqq \frac{-\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{1}{B_{S1} \cdot Z_S}\right) \\ B_{O2} &\coloneqq \frac{\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}(B_{S2} \cdot Z_S) \\ B_{S2} &\coloneqq \frac{-\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{1}{B_{S2} \cdot Z_S}\right) \\ B_{S2} &\coloneqq \frac{-\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{1}{B_{S2} \cdot Z_S}\right) \\ B_{S2} &\coloneqq \frac{-\lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{1}{B_{S2} \cdot Z_S}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Some solutions are not valid (negative lengths), so they are dropped: O(x) = 0

$$d_1 = 4.546 \,\mathrm{cm}$$

$$d_2 = 10.404 \,\mathrm{cm}$$

 $\frac{1}{B_{s1}} = -70.711 \text{ ohm}$ 

 $\frac{1}{R} = 70.711 \text{ ohm}$ 

Connecting Transmission L (Solution #1&3) Connecting Transmission L (Solution #2&4)

Susceptance of Stub (Solution #1&

Susceptance of Stub (Solution #28

Length of Open Circuit Stuk (Solution #1) Length of Short Circuit Stuk (Solution #3) Length of Open Circuit Stuk (Solution #2) Length of Short Circuit Stuk (Solution #4)

Is Solution #1 OK to use? Is Solution #2 OK to use? Is Solution #3 OK to use? Is Solution #4 OK to use?

Area for Solution #1 Area for Solution #2 Area for Solution #1 Area for Solution #2

Areas if white space is considered

 $l_{s2} \cdot d_2 = -47.297 \text{ cm}^2$ 

### Single Series Stub Transmission Line Matching



Load Conductance and Suseptance Source Admittance Coefficient for First Solution Coefficient for Second Solution

$d_1 = -2.929 \mathrm{cm}$	Connecting Transmission Line	
	(Solution #1&3)	
$d_2 = 17.879 \mathrm{cm}$	Connecting Transmission Line	
	(Solution #2&4)	

 $X_{s1} = -35.355 \Omega$  Stub Reactance (Solution #1)

 $X_{s2} = 35.355 \Omega$  Stub Reactance (Solution #2)

$_{01} = 45.461 \mathrm{mm}$	Length of Open Circuit Stub (Solution #1)
$_1 = -29.289 \mathrm{mm}$	Length of Short Circuit Stub (Solution #3)
$h_2 = -45.461 \mathrm{mm}$	Length of Open Circuit Stub (Solution #2)
$_2 = 29.289 \mathrm{mm}$	Length of Short Circuit Stub
$0\mathbf{K}_1 = 0$	(Solution #4) Is Solution #1 OK to use?
$\mathbf{K}_2 = 0$	Is Solution #2 OK to use?
$0\mathbf{K}_3 = 0$	Is Solution #3 OK to use?
$\mathbf{K}_4 = 1$	Is Solution #4 OK to use?
$\operatorname{area}_1 = 0.488  \mathrm{cm}^2$	Area for Solution #1
$area_2 = 4.021 \text{ cm}^2$	Area for Solution #2
$area_3 = -1.767  \mathrm{cm}^2$	Area for Solution #1
$area_4 = 6.276  \mathrm{cm}^2$	Area for Solution #2

A

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# 1/4 Wave Transformer Matching



Fig. 1: Single shunt stub matching

No control over bandwidth achieved					
$\Delta f_{f_c} := \frac{\Delta f}{f_c}$	$\Delta f_c = 30\%$	Fractional Bandwidth Needed			
S <sub>11max</sub>					
$\Gamma_{\text{max}} \coloneqq 10^{-10}$	$\Gamma_{\text{max}} = 0.1$	Reflection Coefficient Needed			
$Z_{1\_4} \coloneqq \sqrt{Z_S \cdot Z_L}$	$Z_{1\_4} = 70.711\Omega$	Impedance of Quarter Wave Transn			
$\Delta f_{f_{cmax}} \coloneqq 2 - \frac{4}{\pi} \cdot \arcsin\left(\frac{\Gamma_{max}}{\sqrt{1 - \Gamma_{max}}^2} \cdot \frac{2 \cdot \sqrt{Z_S \cdot Z_L}}{ Z_L - Z_S }\right)$		Actual Bandwidth			
	$\Delta f_{cmax} = 36.7 \%$				
$OK := \Delta f_{f_{cmax}} > \Delta f_{f_{c}}$	OK = 1	OK to use this circuit?			
$\beta := \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{\lambda} \cdot \sqrt{\epsilon_r}$	$\beta = 43.066 \mathrm{m}^{-1}$	Phase Constant (Wave Number)			
$len := \frac{\lambda}{4}$	len = 7.475 cm	Length of Transformer			
$Wval := W(\varepsilon_r, h, Z_{1_4})$	Wval = 1.61  mm	Width of Transformer			
Area := len·Wval Outputs	$Area = 1.203  \mathrm{cm}^2$	Area of Transformer			
$Z_{1_4} = 70.711 \Omega$		Impedance of Line			
OK = 1		OK to use this circuit?			
Area = $1.203 \text{ cm}^2$		Area of Transformer			

### 1/4 Wave Binomial Transformer Matching



0.167

<u>Outputs</u>



Area =  $1.228 \text{ cm}^2$ 

Area of Transformer Widths of Line Segments Length of Transformer

**Area of Transformer** 

### 1/4 Wave Chebyshev Transformer Matching



Fig. 1: 1/4 wave chebyshev transformer matching





 $A := \Gamma_{max}$ 



 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 47.993 \text{ deg}$ 

$$\begin{split} T(n,x) &\coloneqq if(\left|x\right| < 1, \cos(n \cdot a\cos(x)), \cosh(n \cdot a\cosh(x))) \\ i &\coloneqq 0.. \ N \end{split}$$

Chebyshev Polynomial Coefficients Index Vector

 $\Gamma(n) := \begin{vmatrix} \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sec(\theta_{\max})^3 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \cdot A \cdot \left( \sec(\theta_{\max})^3 - \sec(\theta_{\max}) \right) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} \cdot A \cdot \left( \sec(\theta_{\max})^3 - \sec(\theta_{\max}) \right) & \text{if } n = 2 \\ \frac{A}{2} \cdot \sec(\theta_{\max})^3 & \text{if } n = 3 \end{vmatrix}$   $\Gamma(i) = \boxed{2 + 2i}$ 

j ≔ 1.. N

$$\begin{split} \textbf{Z} \coloneqq & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \textbf{Zval}_0 \leftarrow \textbf{Z}_{\textbf{S}} \\ & \text{for } i \in 0.. \text{ N} - 1 \\ & \textbf{Zval}_{i+1} \leftarrow \textbf{Zval}_i \cdot \textbf{e}^{2 \cdot \Gamma(i)} \\ & \textbf{Zval} \\ \end{array} \right] \end{split}$$

 $Wval_i := W(\varepsilon_r, h, Z_j)$ 

len :=  $\frac{\lambda}{4} \cdot N$ 

Outputs

 $max(Wval) = 1.652 \, mm$ 

Area :=  $len \cdot max(Wval)$ 

0

 $Wval = \left(\begin{array}{c} 1.652 \\ 0.401 \end{array}\right) mm$ 

len = 14.95 cm

Area =  $2.47 \text{ cm}^2$ 

**Reflection Coefficients** 

$$Z_{j} = Transmission Line Impedances$$

$$\boxed{69.803}{121.31} \Omega$$

$$Wval = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1.652 \\ 0.401 \end{pmatrix} mm$$
Widths of Transmission Line Segme
$$Maximum Width$$

$$len = 14.95 cm$$
Length of Transformer
$$Area = 2.47 cm^{2}$$
Area of Transformer

Widths of Transmission Line Segments Length of Transformer Area of Transformer

### **Exponential Taper Matching Transformer**



Fig. 1: Exponential transformer matching



# **Triangular Taper Matching Transformer**



### **Klopfenstein Taper Matching Transformer**



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