



For the lossless transmission line circuit shown, $f = 100 \text{ MHz}$, $u = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$, $\ell = 3.3 \text{ m}$, $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$, and $Z_L = 75 + j50 \Omega$.

1) Normalize and plot load impedance

- Normalize load impedance $z_L = Z_L / Z_0 = (75 + j50) / 50 \Rightarrow \underline{z_L = 1.5 + j1 \Omega/\Omega}$.
- Plot z_L on Smith chart by finding intersection of $r = 1.5$ circle with $x = 1$ arc.

2) Find load reflection coefficient and SWR

- Set compass to distance between center of Smith chart and z_L . Use compass to mark the “REFL. COEFF. V or I” scale below Smith chart on right side to determine $|\Gamma_L| = 0.42$.
- Use compass to draw $|\Gamma| = 0.42$ arc, centered on Smith chart scales, through SWR (VSWR) scale below Smith chart on left side. Read $\underline{\text{SWR} = 2.4}$.
- Use a straight edge to draw radial line from center of Smith chart through z_L and outer rings of Smith chart. Use the “ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFICIENT IN DEGREES” scale to read $\underline{\angle \Gamma_L = 41.8^\circ}$.
- Put magnitude and angle together to get $\underline{\Gamma_L = 0.42 \angle 41.8^\circ}$. For comparison, the analytic result is $\Gamma_L = 0.4152 \angle 41.63^\circ$.

3) Find input reflection coefficient

- Calculate $\ell/\lambda = \ell f / u = 3.3 (100 \times 10^6) / 3 \times 10^8 = 1.1$. Subtract $2(0.5) = 1$ (i.e., remove integer multiples of $n\lambda/2$) to get $\Rightarrow \underline{\ell/\lambda = 0.1}$.

- On the Smith chart, the radial line through z_L reads 0.192 on the “WAVELENGTHS TOWARD GENERATOR” scale. Add $0.192 + \ell/\lambda = 0.192 + 0.1$ to get 0.292 and draw a radial line from the center of the Smith chart through this point on the “WAVELENGTHS TOWARD GENERATOR” scale.
- Draw an arc, centered on Smith chart, from the z_L point through the radial line at 0.292. The intersection of the arc and radial line is the Γ_{in} and z_{in} point. Use the “ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFICIENT IN DEGREES” scale to read $\angle \Gamma_{in} = -30.2^\circ$ and note $|\Gamma_{in}| = |\Gamma_L| = 0.42$.
- Put magnitude and angle together to get $\Gamma_{in} = 0.42 \angle -30.2^\circ$.

4) Find normalized input impedance and input impedance

- At the $\Gamma_{in} = 0.42 \angle -30.2^\circ$ point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “ r ” circle as $r_{in} = 1.8$.
- At the $\Gamma_{in} = 0.42 \angle -30.2^\circ$ point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “ x ” arc as $x_{in} = -0.92$.
- Put together to get normalized input impedance $z_{in} = 1.8 - j0.92 \Omega/\Omega$.
- Find input impedance by multiplying z_{in} with the characteristic impedance to get $Z_{in} = Z_0 z_{in} = 50(1.8 - j0.92) \Rightarrow Z_{in} = 90 - j46 \Omega$.

Simple
Smith Chart

$Z_0 = 50 \Omega$
 $f = 100 \text{ MHz}$
 $v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

