



For the lossless transmission line circuit shown,  $f = 500$  MHz,  $u = 2 \times 10^8$  m/s,  $\ell = 1.242$  m,  $Z_0 = 75 \Omega$ , and  $\Gamma_{in} = 0.8 \angle -117.5^\circ$ .

### 1) Plot input reflection coefficient and find VSWR

- Use a straight edge to draw radial line from the center of the Smith chart through the  $-117.5^\circ$  mark on the “ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFICIENT IN DEGREES” scale.
- Use “REFL. COEFF. V or I” scale at bottom right to set compass to  $|\Gamma| = 0.8$ , and draw arc, centered on the Smith chart, through the  $-117.5^\circ$  radial line.
- The intersection of radial line & arc marks  $\Gamma_{in} = 0.8 \angle -117.5^\circ$ .
- Use compass to draw  $|\Gamma| = 0.8$  arc, centered on Smith chart scales, through SWR (VSWR) scale (located below on the left side). Read **VSWR = 9**.

### 2) Find input impedance

- At  $\Gamma_{in} = 0.8 \angle -117.5^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “r” circle as  $r_{in} = 0.15$ .
- At  $\Gamma_{in} = 0.8 \angle -117.5^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “x” arc as  $x_{in} = -0.60$ .
- Put together to get normalized input impedance  $z_{in} = 0.15 - j0.60 \Omega/\Omega$ .
- Find input impedance by multiplying  $z_{in}$  w/ characteristic impedance to get  $Z_{in} = Z_0 z_{in} = 75(0.15 - j0.60) \Rightarrow \underline{Z_{in} = 11.25 - j45 \Omega}$ .

### 3) Find load reflection coefficient

- Calculate  $\ell/\lambda = \ell f/u = 1.242(500 \times 10^6)/2 \times 10^8 = 3.105$ . Subtract  $6(0.5) = 3$  (i.e., remove integer multiples of  $n\lambda/2$ ) to get  $\Rightarrow \underline{\ell/\lambda = 0.105}$ .
- Leave compass set to  $|\Gamma| = 0.8$  and draw circle centered on the Smith chart.
- Using radial line for  $\angle \Gamma_{in} = -117.5^\circ$ , read 0.087 on the “WAVELENGTHS TOWARD LOAD” scale. Add  $0.087 + \ell/\lambda = 0.087 + 0.105$  to get 0.192 and draw a radial line from the center of the Smith chart through this point on the “WAVELENGTHS TOWARD LOAD” scale. The intersection of this radial line and the  $|\Gamma| = 0.8$  circle is the  $\Gamma_L$  point.
- Use “ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFICIENT IN DEGREES” scale to read  $\underline{\angle \Gamma_L = -41.6^\circ}$ .
- Put magnitude and angle together to get  $\underline{\Gamma_L = 0.8 \angle -41.6^\circ}$ .

### 4) Find load impedance

- At the  $\Gamma_L = 0.8 \angle -41.6^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “r” circle as  $\underline{r_L = 0.8}$ .
- At the  $\Gamma_L = 0.8 \angle -41.6^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “x” arc as  $\underline{x_L = -2.4}$ .
- Put together to get normalized load impedance  $\underline{z_L = 0.8 - j2.4 \Omega/\Omega}$ .
- Find load impedance by multiplying  $z_L$  with the characteristic impedance to get  $Z_L = Z_0 z_L = 75(0.8 - j2.4) \Rightarrow \underline{Z_L = 60 - j180 \Omega}$ .

### Simple Smith Chart

$f = 500 \text{ MHz}$   
 $Z_0 = 75 \Omega$   
 $u = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

