

At 100 MHz, the datasheet for a distortionless transmission line gives $R = 16 \Omega/\text{km}$, $C = 56 \text{ nF/km}$, and $L = 0.46 \text{ mH/km}$. Calculate the: a) conductance G per-unit-length, b) attenuation constant α (Np/m & dB/m), phase constant β , & propagation constant γ , c) characteristic impedance Z_0 , and d) phase velocity u & wavelength λ .

$R = 16 \Omega/\text{km} = 0.016 \Omega/\text{m}$, $C = 56 \text{ nF/km} = 56 \text{ pF/m}$, and $L = 0.46 \text{ mH/km} = 0.46 \mu\text{H/m}$.

a) Per (11.22) $R/L = G/C \Rightarrow G = C R/L = 56 \times 10^{-12} (0.016) / 0.46 \times 10^{-6}$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{G = 1.9478 \times 10^{-6} \text{ S/m} = 1.9478 \mu\text{S/m}}$

b) Per (11.23a) $\alpha = \sqrt{RG} = \sqrt{[0.016] 1.947826 \cdot 10^{-6}}$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{\alpha = 0.00017654 \text{ Np/m}}$

$\alpha \text{ (dB/m)} = \alpha \text{ (Np/m)} (8.686 \text{ dB/Np}) \Rightarrow \underline{\alpha = 0.0015334 \text{ dB/m}}$

Per (11.23a) $\beta = \omega\sqrt{LC} = 2\pi 100 \cdot 10^6 \sqrt{[0.46 \cdot 10^{-6}] 56 \cdot 10^{-12}}$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{\beta = 3.188987 \text{ rad/m}}$

Per (11.11), the propagation constant is $\gamma = \alpha + j\beta$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\gamma = 0.00017654 + j 3.188987 \text{ 1/m}}$

OR

$\gamma = \sqrt{(R + j\omega L)(G + j\omega C)}$
 $= \sqrt{[0.016 + j(2\pi 100 \cdot 10^6) 0.46 \cdot 10^{-6}][1.9478 \cdot 10^{-6} + j(2\pi 100 \cdot 10^6) 56 \cdot 10^{-12}]}$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{\gamma = 0.00017654 + j 3.188987 \text{ 1/m}}$

c) Per (11.23b), $Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.46 \cdot 10^{-6}}{56 \cdot 10^{-12}}} \Rightarrow \underline{Z_0 = 90.633 \Omega}$

d) Per (11.23c), $u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0.46 \cdot 10^{-6} (56 \cdot 10^{-12})}} \Rightarrow \underline{u = 1.970276 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}$

$\lambda = u/f = 1.970276 \times 10^8 / 100 \times 10^6 \Rightarrow \underline{u = 1.970276 \text{ m}}$