

### 1) Plot reflection coefficient $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$ for a $50 \Omega$ transmission line

- Use straight edge to draw radial line from center of Smith chart through the  $-45^\circ$  mark on “ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFICIENT IN DEGREES” scale (inner ring surrounding Smith chart).
- Use “REFL. COEFF. V or I” scale at bottom right of chart to set compass to  $|\Gamma| = 0.707$ , and draw arc, centered on Smith chart, through  $-45^\circ$  radial line.
- The intersection of radial line & arc marks  $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$  on Smith chart.

### 2) Read normalized impedance $z$ corresponding to $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$

- On Smith chart, at  $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “ $r$ ” circle (family of circles centered on horizontal axis and with values shown on horizontal axis) as  $r = 1$ .
- On Smith chart, at  $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$  point, locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate “ $x$ ” arc (reactance values shown on inside of outer ring of Smith chart; values above horizontal axis are positive/inductive while those below are negative/capacitive) as  $x = -2$ .
- Put together to get normalized impedance  $z = 1 - j2 \Omega/\Omega$ .
- Find impedance corresponding to  $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$  by multiplying  $z$  w/ characteristic impedance to get  $Z = Z_0 z = 50(1 - j2) \Rightarrow$   $Z = 50 - j100 \Omega$ .

### 3) Read standing wave ratio SWR (VSWR) corresponding to $\Gamma = 0.707 \angle -45^\circ$

- Use “REFL. COEFF. V or I” scale at bottom right to set your compass to  $|\Gamma| = 0.707$ .
- Draw  $0.707$  arc, centered on Smith chart scales, through SWR (VSWR) scale on bottom left.
- Read standing wave ratio to be  $VSWR = 5.8$ .

# Simple Smith Chart

$$Z_0 = 50 \Omega$$

