

For the lossless transmission line circuit above, the frequency, length, and phase velocity will be left unspecified while  $Z_0 = 75 \Omega$  and  $Z_L = 56.25 - j75 \Omega$ .

#### 1) Normalize and plot load impedance

- → Normalize  $z_L = Z_L / Z_0 = (56.25 j75) / 75 \implies z_L = 0.75 j 1 Ω/Ω$ .
- ▶ Plot  $z_L$  on Smith charts by finding the intersection of the r = 0.75 circle with the x = -1 arc.

## 2) Find load reflection coefficient, RL, and VSWR (method 1)

- Set compass to distance between center of Smith charts and  $z_L$ . Use "REFL. COEFF. V or I" scale at bottom right to determine  $|\Gamma_L| = 0.5$  or 0.51.
- → Use straight-edge to draw radial line from center of Smith chart through  $z_L$  and outer rings of Smith charts. Use "ANGLE OF REFLECTION COEFFCIENT IN DEGREES" scale to read  $\angle \Gamma_L = -74^\circ$ .
- ▶ Put magnitude and angle together to get  $\underline{\Gamma_L} = 0.5 \angle -74^\circ$  or  $\underline{0.51} \angle -74^\circ$ . For comparison, the analytic result is  $\Gamma_L = 0.5114 \angle -74.29^\circ$ .
- → Use compass to draw  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  arc, centered on Smith chart scales, through SWR (VSWR) scale on bottom left. Read <u>VSWR = 3.1</u>.
- → Use compass to draw  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  arc, centered on Smith chart scales, through RETN LOSS scale on bottom right. Read <u>**RL**</u> = 6 dB or <u>5.8 dB</u>.

## 3) Find VSWR (method 2)

- > Draw a circle, centered on Smith charts, through  $z_L$ .
- ► Read value of normalized resistance *r* where the  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  circle crosses the horizontal/real axis to the right of the origin to get <u>*r*max</u> = **VSWR** = **3.1**.

### 4) Find load admittance

- → Use straight-edge to draw line from edge-to-edge of Smith charts through center of Smith charts and  $z_L$  point.
- → Where the line intersects the  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  circle on the side opposite to  $z_L$ , locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate "g" circle as  $g_L = 0.48$ .
- → Where the line intersects the  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  circle on the side opposite to  $z_L$ , locate and read/interpolate value of appropriate "b" arc as <u> $b_L = 0.64$ </u>.
- > Put together to get <u>normalized</u> load admittance  $y_L = 0.48 + j0.64$  S/S.
- Find load admittance by dividing  $y_L$  by characteristic impedance  $Z_0$  to get  $Y_L = y_L/Z_0 = (0.48 + j 0.64)/75 \implies \underline{Y_L} = 0.0064 + j 0.0083 \text{ S} = 6.4 + j 8.3 \text{ mS}.$

#### 5) Find/locate voltage and impedance maxima

- ► Impedance maxima occur where the  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  circle crosses the real axis to the right of origin. Read/interpolate "*r*" circles to get <u>*r*max</u> = 3.1.
- → The maximum impedance along the transmission line is found by multiplying  $r_{\text{max}}$  w/  $Z_0$  to get  $Z_{\text{max}} = Z_0 z_{\text{max}} = 75(3.1) \implies Z_{\text{max}} = 232.5 \Omega$ .
- ► Voltage maxima along the transmission line occur at  $r_{max}$ . Starting where the radial line through  $z_L$  crosses the "WAVELENGTHS TOWARD GENERATOR" scale at 0.352, move toward the generator to the real axis to the right of origin ( $r_{max}$  location) where the scale reads 0.25. The total distance is (0.5-0.352)  $\lambda$  + 0.25 $\lambda$  = 0.398 $\lambda$ .
- As everything repeats at  $\lambda/2$  intervals on lossless TLs, the voltage maxima locations in <u>distance from the load</u> are  $\underline{I_{\text{max}} = 0.398\lambda + n\lambda/2}$ .

# 5) Find/locate voltage and impedance minima

- ► Impedance minima occurs where the  $|\Gamma| = 0.5$  circle crosses the real axis to the left of origin. Read/interpolate "*r*" circles to get <u>*r*min = 0.325</u>.
- → The minimum impedance along the transmission line is found by multiplying  $r_{\min}$  w/  $Z_0$  to get  $Z_{\min} = Z_0 z_{\min} = 75(0.325) \implies Z_{\min} = 24.375 \Omega$ .
- ► Voltage minima along the transmission line occur at  $r_{min}$ . Starting where the radial line through  $z_L$  crosses the "WAVELENGTHS TOWARD GENERATOR" scale at 0.352, move toward the generator to the real axis to the left of origin ( $r_{min}$  location) where the scale reads 0.5. The total distance is (0.5-0.352)  $\lambda = 0.148\lambda$ .
- > As everything repeats at  $\lambda/2$  intervals, the voltage minima locations in <u>distance from the load</u> are <u> $I_{min} = 0.148\lambda + n\lambda/2$ </u>.



