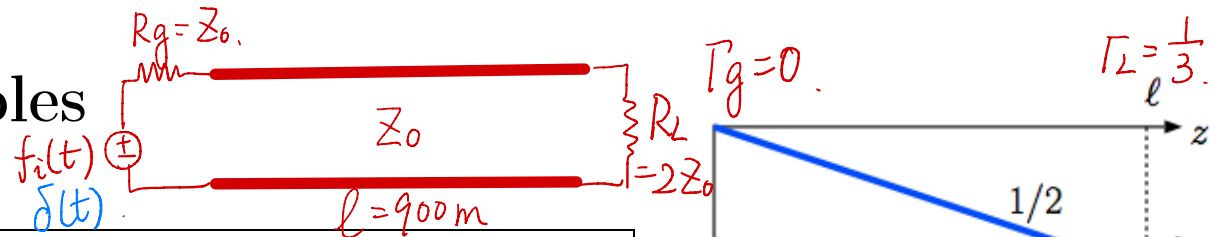


29 Bounce diagram examples



Example 1: A transmission line of length $\ell = 900$ m and speed $v = c$ has $R_L = 2Z_o$. It is excited by a generator having an open circuit voltage $f_i(t) = \sin(\omega t)u(t)$ and Thevenin resistance $R_g = Z_o$. The source frequency is $\frac{\omega}{2\pi} = 1$ MHz. Determine the voltage response $V(z, t)$ in the circuit after first determining the impulse response function $h_z(t)$.

Solution: In the circuit, the injection coefficient is

$$\tau_g = \frac{Z_o}{R_g + Z_o} = \frac{Z_o}{Z_o + Z_o} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

The load and generator reflection coefficients are

$$\Gamma_L = \frac{R_L - Z_o}{R_L + Z_o} = \frac{2Z_o - Z_o}{2Z_o + Z_o} = \frac{2 - 1}{2 + 1} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_g = \frac{R_g - Z_o}{R_g + Z_o} = \frac{Z_o - Z_o}{Z_o + Z_o} = 0,$$

respectively. Also, time-delay

$$\frac{2\ell}{v} = \frac{2 \cdot 900 \text{ m}}{300 \text{ m}/\mu\text{s}} = 6 \mu\text{s}.$$

The corresponding bounce diagram is shown in the margin. Note that the diagram terminates at $t = \frac{2\ell}{v}$ because Z_o is matched to R_g and $\Gamma_g = 0$. From the diagram we deduce the impulse response

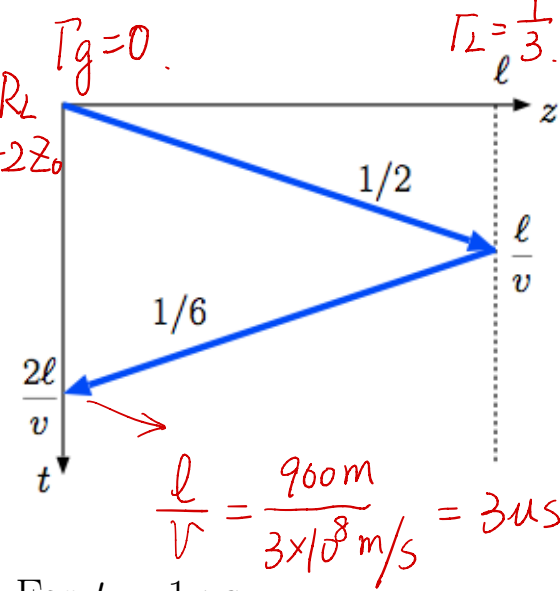
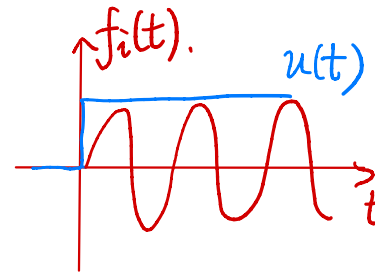
$$h_z(t) = \frac{1}{2}\delta(t - \frac{z}{c}) + \frac{1}{6}\delta(t + \frac{z}{c} - 6\mu).$$

Convolving $h_z(t)$ with $\sin(\omega t)u(t)$, we obtain the voltage response of the TL to the sinusoidal input as (see plots in the margin)

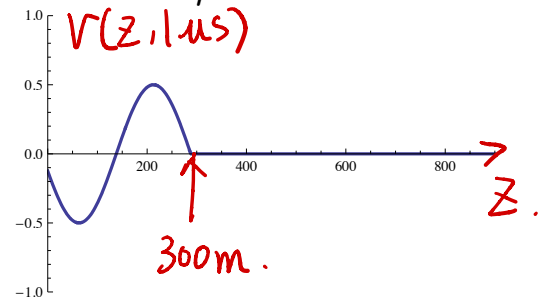
$$V(z, t) = h_z(t) * \sin(\omega t)u(t) = \frac{1}{2}\sin\omega(t - \frac{z}{v})u(t - \frac{z}{v}) + \frac{1}{6}\sin\omega(t + \frac{z}{v} - 6)u(t + \frac{z}{v} - 6).$$

$$f_i(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = f_i(t - t_0)$$

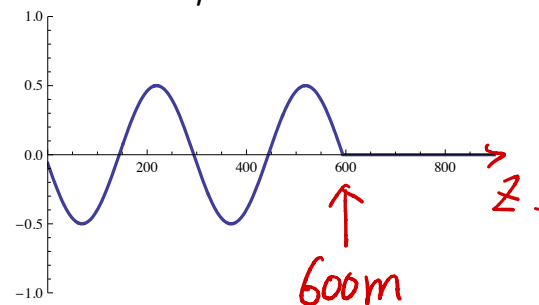
$$h_z(t) \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{2}\delta(t) + \frac{1}{6}\delta(t - 6\mu).$$



For $t = 1 \mu\text{s}$:



For $t = 2 \mu\text{s}$:



See an animated version of this and another where $\Gamma_L = -1$

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Example 2: Consider a TL circuit where $Z_o = 50 \Omega$, $v = c$, $\ell = 2400$ m, $R_g = 0$, and $R_L = 100 \Omega$. Determine and plot $V(1200, t)$ if $f_i(t) = u(t)$.

Solution: For this circuit

$$\tau_g = \frac{Z_o}{R_g + Z_o} = 1, \quad \Gamma_g = \frac{R_g - Z_o}{R_g + Z_o} = -1, \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_L = \frac{R_L - Z_o}{R_L + Z_o} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Also, the transit time across the TL is

$$\frac{\ell}{v} = \frac{2400 \text{ m}}{300 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}} = 8 \mu\text{s}.$$

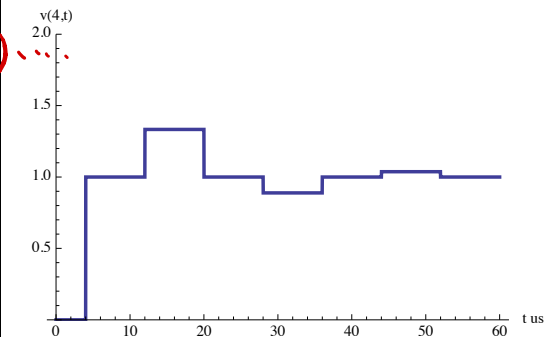
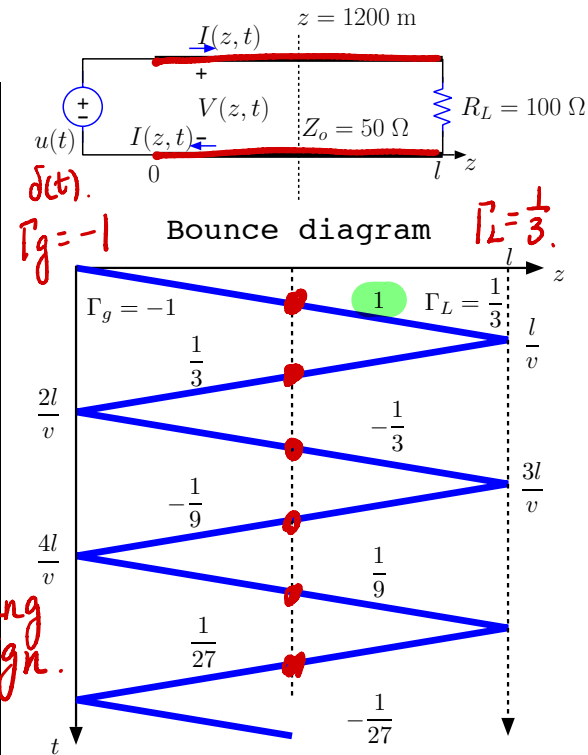
From the bounce diagram shown in the margin, the impulse response for $z = 1200$ m (the location marked by the vertical dashed line) is found to be

$$V(1200, t) = \delta(t - 4) + \frac{1}{3}\delta(t - 12) - \frac{1}{3}\delta(t - 20) - \frac{1}{9}\delta(t - 28) + \frac{1}{9}\delta(t - 36) + \dots$$

Replacing the $\delta(t)$ in this expression with the unit-step $u(t)$, the specified input signal $f_i(t)$, we get

$$V(1200, t) = u(t - 4) + \frac{1}{3}u(t - 12) - \frac{1}{3}u(t - 20) - \frac{1}{9}u(t - 28) + \frac{1}{9}u(t - 36) + \dots$$

which is plotted in the margin.

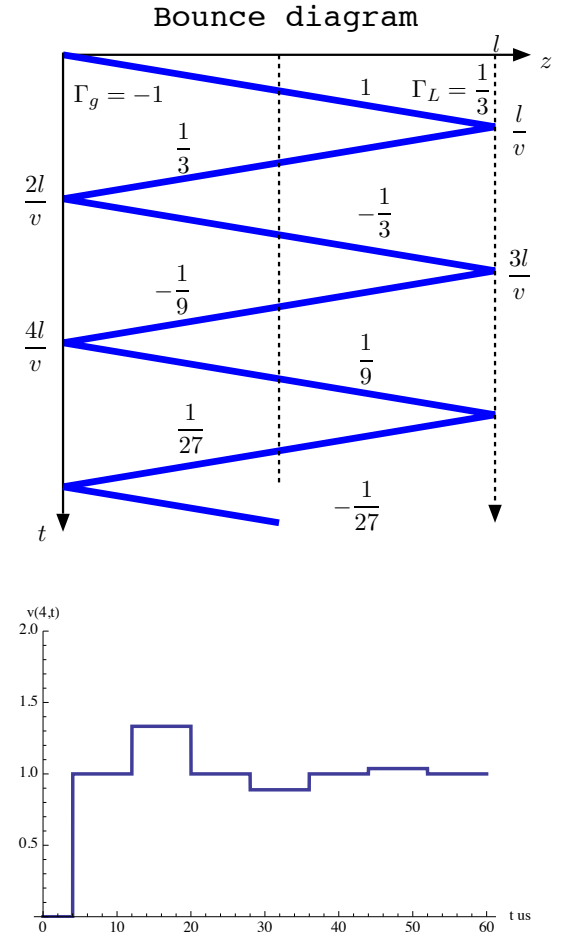


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$$f_{DC} = 0 \quad \lambda f = c.$$

$$\lambda_{DC} \rightarrow \infty$$

- Note that as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $V(1200, t) \rightarrow 1$ V in Example 1, as if DC conditions prevail and the TL becomes a pair of wires in the lumped circuit sense.
 - DC steady-state corresponds to $\omega = 0$ and signal wavelength $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$. In that limit $\ell \ll \lambda$ is always valid and TL can be treated like an ordinary lumped circuit.
 - Of course this simplification can only occur with $f_i(t) = u(t)$, or its delayed/scaled versions, which are all asymptotically DC in $t \rightarrow \infty$ limit. The simplification does not apply for $f_i(t) = \sin(\omega t)u(t)$, for example.



Example 3: In the TL circuit described in Example 2, determine $V(z, t)$ and $I(z, t)$ for a new input signal $f_i(t) = \text{rect}(\frac{t}{T}) + 2\text{rect}(\frac{t-T}{T})$, $T = 1 \mu s$. Plot $V(z, t)$ versus z at $t = 3 \mu s$ and $t = 11 \mu s$.

Solution: With $\tau_g = 1$, $\Gamma_g = -1$, $\Gamma_L = \frac{1}{3}$, and $\frac{2l}{c} = 16 \mu s$, we obtain, by convolving with the general impulse response, the voltage response

$$V(z, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(t - \frac{z}{c} - n16\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(t + \frac{z}{c} - (n+1)16\right)$$

where $\frac{z}{c}$ is to be entered in μs units. Also,

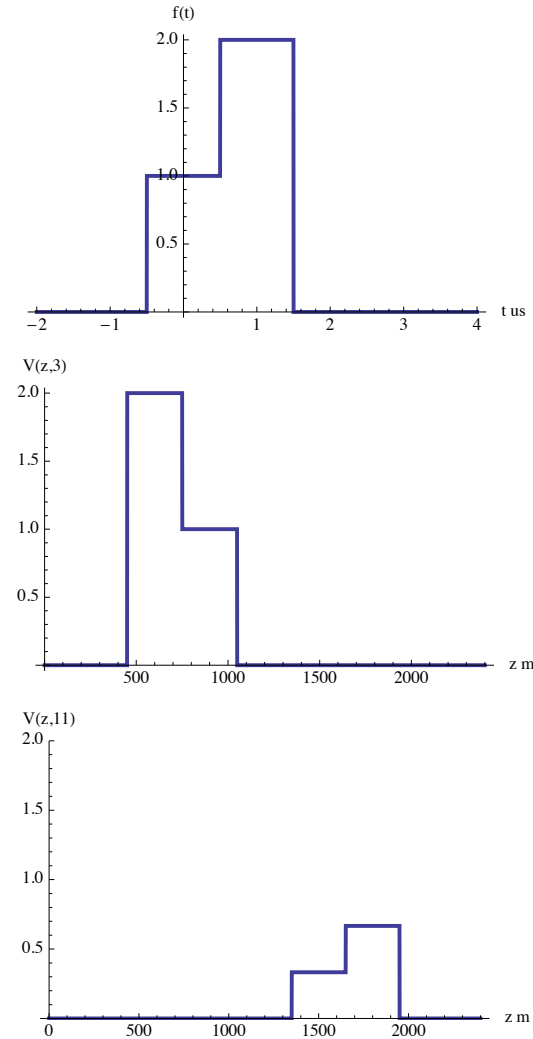
$$I(z, t) = \frac{1}{50} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(t - \frac{z}{c} - n16\right) - \frac{1}{50} \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(t + \frac{z}{c} - (n+1)16\right).$$

At $t = 3 \mu s$, the voltage variation is

$$V(z, 3) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(3 - \frac{z}{c} - n16\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(3 + \frac{z}{c} - (n+1)16\right),$$

which is plotted in the margin using $f_i(t) = \text{rect}(t) + 2\text{rect}(t - 1)$. Likewise, at $t = 11 \mu s$,

$$V(z, 11) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(11 - \frac{z}{c} - n16\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n f_i\left(11 + \frac{z}{c} - (n+1)16\right).$$



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