ECE 329 Fields and Waves I
Homework 11

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1. (5 points) Twin-lead transmission lines (TLs) are commonly used to connect TV sets and FM radios to their receiving antennas. For the twin-lead, the geometrical factor is

\[ GF = \pi \cosh^{-1} \frac{D}{2a} \]

where \(2a\) is the diameter of each wire (cylindrical conductor) of the twin lead, and \(D\) is the distance between the centers of the wires. Assuming \(\epsilon = \epsilon_o, \mu = \mu_o,\) and \(2a = 1\) mm, calculate \(D\) for twin lead TL’s having: (a) \(Z_o = 50\) Ω and (b) \(Z_o = 300\) Ω.

2. Two TLs with characteristic impedances \(Z_1\) and \(Z_2\) are joined at a junction located at \(z = 0\) that also includes a series resistance \(R\) as shown in the figure below. A source at \(z = -\infty\) launches the signal represented by \(V^+\) that travels in the + \(z\)-direction and encounters the junction at \(t = 0\).

(a) (2 points) Write the pertinent KVL and KCL equations at the junction that relate \(V^+, V^-,\) and \(V^{++}\) at time \(t = 0\).

(b) (4 points) Solve the KVL and KCL equations to obtain the reflection and transmission coefficients \(\Gamma_{12} \equiv \frac{V^-}{V^+}\) and \(\tau_{12} \equiv \frac{V^{++}}{V^+}\) for the junction.

(c) (3 points) Write the D’Alembert traveling waves solutions of the voltage and current for all \(z\) and \(t > 0\).

(d) (2 points) Calculate \(\Gamma_{12}\) and \(\tau_{12}\) for \(Z_1 = 50\) Ω, \(Z_2 = 100\) Ω and \(R = 200\) Ω.

(e) (4 points) Using the values for \(\Gamma_{12}\) and \(\tau_{12}\) plot the voltage \(V(t = 10\text{ns}, z)\). The voltage \(V(t = 0^-, z) = u(z + 2) - u(z)\) is the voltage when the \(V^+\) waveform first reaches the boundary \(z = 0\), where

\[ u(z) = \begin{cases} 
1 & z > 0 \\
0 & z \leq 0 
\end{cases} \]

and the propagation speeds are \(v_1 = \frac{c}{3} = 1 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}\) and \(v_2 = \frac{2c}{3} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}\).
3. Consider a TL with characteristic impedance $Z_o = 50$ Ω, length $l = 100$ m, and propagation velocity $v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{c}{6} = 0.5 \times 10^8$ m/s. A voltage source $f(t)$ with an internal resistance $R_g = Z_o$ is connected to one end of the TL (at $z = 0$) and the other end ($z = l$) is terminated by a load resistance $R_L = 4Z_o$.

(a) (11 points) Construct a “bounce diagram” to determine the voltage, $V(z,t)$, and current, $I(z,t)$, variations on the line for $0 < z < l$ and $t > 0$ for $f(t) = \delta(t)$.

(b) (2 points) Write your expressions for $V(l/2,t)$ and $I(l/2,t)$ as weighted sums of appropriately delayed impulses $\delta(t)$.

(c) (2 points) Write your expressions for $V(z,5\mu s)$ and $I(z,5\mu s)$.

(d) (2 points) Plot $V(l/2,t)$ as a function of $t$ for $0 < t < 6\mu s$ if $f(t) = 60u(t)$ V. — **Hint:** use the convolution of the result of part (b) with $60u(t)$.

(e) (2 points) What is the steady state value $V(l/2,\infty)$ for $f(t) = 60u(t)$ V? Thinking of the transmission line as a distributed circuit, explain why this is the case.

(f) (1 point) Suppose that a segment of transmission line was added at $z = 100$m with impedance $Z_1$ of arbitrary length terminated with a load $R_L = Z_1$ so there is no reflection at the termination of the new transmission line segment. What is the value of $Z_1$ so that the reflection coefficient at $z = 100$m is zero?

4. Time Domain Reflectometry (TDR) is a method by which a defect in a transmission line can be located by injecting a signal at one end of the line and monitoring the reflections that come back. The type of defect and the distance of the defect from the source can be found assuming that the correct response is known. Assume the lossless transmission line to be tested is 2 km long with propagation speed $v = 2 \times 10^8$ m/s. Assume the tested line is terminated by a 100W resistor, given that the source is driven by a voltage source $V(t) = 6u(t)$ V, in steady-state, $V(z = 0, t = \infty) = 3$ V and $I(z = 0, t = \infty) = 30$ mA.

(a) (2 points) Find the source impedance $R_g$.

(b) (2 points) If the defect is a short, find $V(z = 0, t = \infty)$ and $I(z = 0, t = \infty)$.

(c) (2 points) If the defect is an open, find $V(z = 0, t = \infty)$ and $I(z = 0, t = \infty)$.

(d) (4 points) If your test equipment sends out a voltage signal $V(z = 0, t) = 3u(t)$ V, and receives the voltage at the input as shown in the figure below find the impedance of the transmission line, the location of the defect, and indicate if the damage is a short or an open circuit.
5. (10 points) **Bonus question:** Telegrapher’s equations

\[- \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = L \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} \]
\[- \frac{\partial I}{\partial z} = C \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \]

govern the voltage and current waves \(V(z, t)\) and \(I(z, t)\) that propagate on transmission line systems.

If \(V(z, t) = 4 \cos(\omega t + \beta z)\) on a TL, determine \(I(z, t)\) and \(\beta\) (a positive number) by using the telegrapher’s equations twice.

**Hint:** First use one of the telegrapher’s equations to determine \(I(z, t)\). Then use the other telegrapher’s equation to determine \(V(z, t)\) from \(I(z, t)\) found in the first step. By requiring \(V(z, t)\) found in step 2 to equal the original \(V(z, t)\) you should be able to identify \(\beta\).