

We have obtained the following solutions for the **steady-state voltage** and **current phasors** in a transmission line:

### Loss-less line

$$V(z) = V^+ e^{-j\beta z} + V^- e^{j\beta z}$$

$$I(z) = \frac{1}{Z_0} \left( V^+ e^{-j\beta z} - V^- e^{j\beta z} \right)$$

### Lossy line

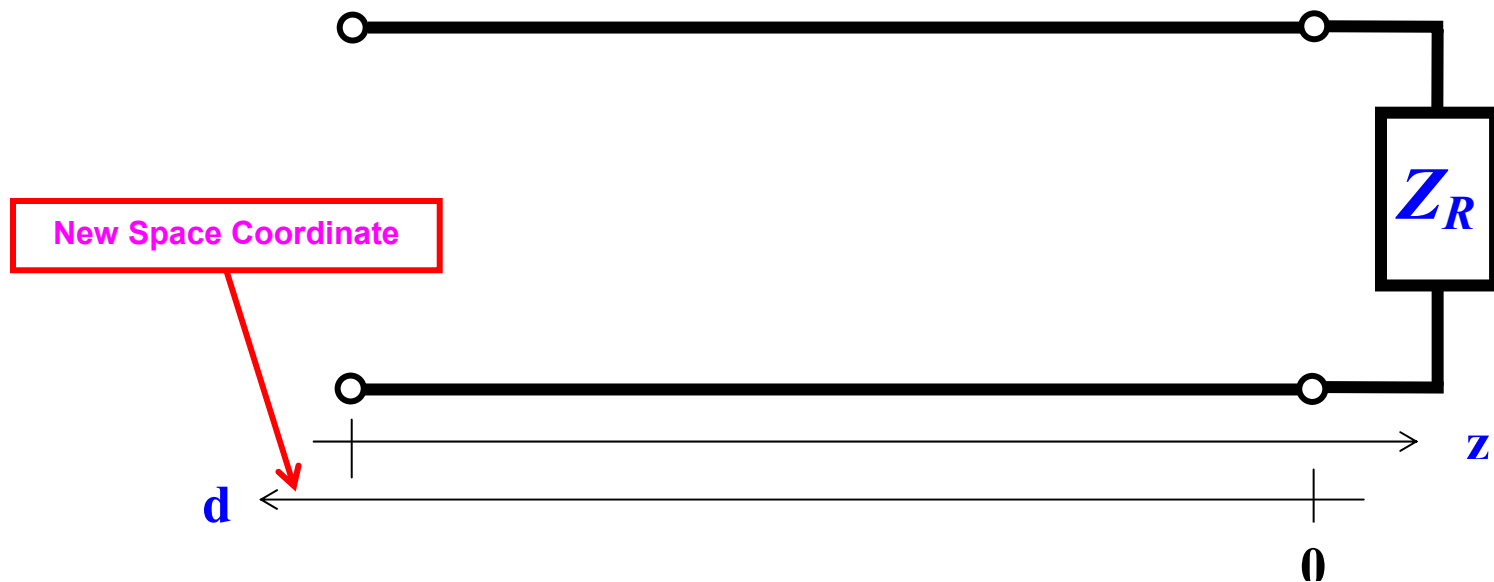
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Since  $V(z)$  and  $I(z)$  are the solutions of **second order differential (wave) equations**, we must determine **two unknowns**,  $V^+$  and  $V^-$ , which represent the amplitudes of steady-state voltage waves, travelling in the **positive** and in the **negative** direction, respectively.

Therefore, we need **two boundary conditions** to determine these unknowns, by considering the effect of the **load** and of the **generator** connected to the transmission line.

Before we consider the boundary conditions, it is very convenient to shift the reference of the space coordinate so that the **zero reference is at the location of the load** instead of the generator. Since the analysis of the transmission line normally starts from the load itself, this will simplify considerably the problem later.



We will also change the **positive direction** of the space coordinate, so that it increases when moving **from load to generator** along the transmission line.

We adopt a new coordinate  $\mathbf{d} = -\mathbf{z}$ , with zero reference at the load location. The **new equations** for voltage and current along the lossy transmission line are

### Loss-less line

$$V(d) = V^+ e^{j\beta d} + V^- e^{-j\beta d}$$

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### Lossy line

$$V(d) = V^+ e^{\gamma d} + V^- e^{-\gamma d}$$

$$I(d) = \frac{1}{Z_0} \left( V^+ e^{\gamma d} - V^- e^{-\gamma d} \right)$$

At the **load** ( $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{0}$ ) we have, for both cases,

$$V(0) = V^+ + V^-$$

$$I(0) = \frac{1}{Z_0} \left( V^+ - V^- \right)$$

For a given load impedance  $Z_R$ , the **load boundary condition** is

$$V(0) = Z_R I(0)$$

Therefore, we have

$$V^+ + V^- = \frac{Z_R}{Z_0} (V^+ - V^-)$$

from which we obtain the **voltage load reflection coefficient**

$$\Gamma_R = \frac{V^-}{V^+} = \frac{Z_R - Z_0}{Z_R + Z_0}$$

We can introduce this result into the transmission line equations as

**Loss-less line**

$$V(d) = V^+ e^{j\beta d} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d})$$

$$I(d) = \frac{V^+ e^{j\beta d}}{Z_0} (1 - \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d})$$

**Lossy line**

$$V(d) = V^+ e^{\gamma d} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2\gamma d})$$

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At each line location we define a **Generalized Reflection Coefficient**

$$\Gamma(d) = \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d}$$

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and the line equations become

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$$I(d) = \frac{V^+ e^{j\beta d}}{Z_0} (1 - \Gamma(d))$$

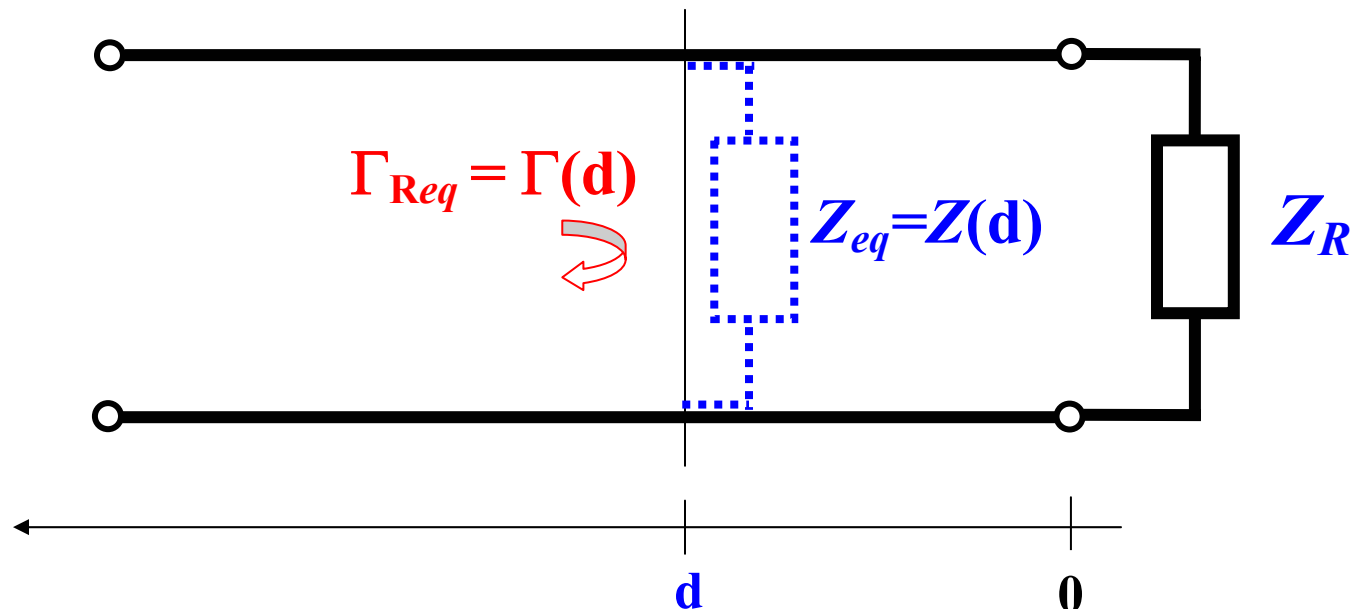
$$V(d) = V^+ e^{\gamma d} (1 + \Gamma(d))$$

$$I(d) = \frac{V^+ e^{\gamma d}}{Z_0} (1 - \Gamma(d))$$

We define the **line impedance** as

$$Z(d) = \frac{V(d)}{I(d)} = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma(d)}{1 - \Gamma(d)}$$

A simple circuit diagram can illustrate the significance of line impedance and generalized reflection coefficient:



If you imagine to **cut** the line at location **d**, the input impedance of the portion of line terminated by the load is the same as the line impedance at that location “**before the cut**”. The behavior of the line on the **left** of location **d** is the same if an equivalent impedance with value **Z(d)** replaces the cut out portion. The reflection coefficient of the new load is equal to  **$\Gamma(d)$**

$$\Gamma_{Req} = \Gamma(d) = \frac{Z_{Req} - Z_0}{Z_{Req} + Z_0}$$

If the total length of the line is **L**, the input impedance is obtained from the formula for the line impedance as

$$Z_{in} = \frac{V_{in}}{I_{in}} = \frac{V(L)}{I(L)} = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma(L)}{1 - \Gamma(L)}$$

The input impedance is the **equivalent impedance** representing the entire line terminated by the load.

An important practical case is the **low-loss transmission line**, where the **reactive elements** still dominate but  $R$  and  $G$  cannot be neglected as in a loss-less line. We have the following conditions:

$$\omega L \gg R \qquad \omega C \gg G$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \sqrt{(j\omega L + R)(j\omega C + G)} \\ &= \sqrt{j\omega L \ j\omega C \left(1 + \frac{R}{j\omega L}\right) \left(1 + \frac{G}{j\omega C}\right)} \\ &\approx j\omega\sqrt{LC} \sqrt{1 + \frac{R}{j\omega L} + \frac{G}{j\omega C} - \frac{RG}{\omega^2 LC}} \end{aligned}$$

The last term under the square root can be neglected, because it is the product of two very small quantities.



What remains of the square root can be **expanded** into a **truncated Taylor series**

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &\approx j\omega\sqrt{LC}\left[1 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{R}{j\omega L} + \frac{G}{j\omega C}\right)\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(R\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} + G\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}\right) + j\omega\sqrt{LC}\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}\left(R\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} + G\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}\right) \qquad \beta = \omega\sqrt{LC}$$

The **characteristic impedance** of the **low-loss line** is a **real** quantity for all practical purposes and it is approximately the same as in a corresponding **loss-less line**

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R + j\omega L}{G + j\omega C}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

and the **phase velocity** associated to the wave propagation is

$$v_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

**BUT NOTE:**

**In the case of the low-loss line, the equations for voltage and current retain the same form obtained for general lossy lines.**

Again, we obtain the **loss-less transmission line** if we assume

$$R = 0 \qquad G = 0$$

This is often acceptable in relatively short transmission lines, where the overall attenuation is small.

As shown earlier, the characteristic impedance in a loss-less line is exactly real

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

while the propagation constant has no attenuation term

$$\gamma = \sqrt{(j\omega L)(j\omega C)} = j\omega \sqrt{LC} = j\beta$$

**The loss-less line does not dissipate power, because  $\alpha = 0$ .**

For all cases, the line impedance was defined as

$$Z(d) = \frac{V(d)}{I(d)} = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma(d)}{1 - \Gamma(d)}$$

By including the appropriate generalized reflection coefficient, we can derive alternative expressions of the line impedance:

**A) Loss-less line**

$$Z(d) = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d}}{1 - \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d}} = Z_0 \frac{Z_R + jZ_0 \tan(\beta d)}{jZ_R \tan(\beta d) + Z_0}$$

**B) Lossy line (including low-loss)**

$$Z(d) = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2\gamma d}}{1 - \Gamma_R e^{-2\gamma d}} = Z_0 \frac{Z_R + Z_0 \tanh(\gamma d)}{Z_R \tanh(\gamma d) + Z_0}$$

Let's now consider **power flow in a transmission line**, limiting the discussion to the **time-average power**, which accounts for the **active power** dissipated by the **resistive** elements in the circuit.

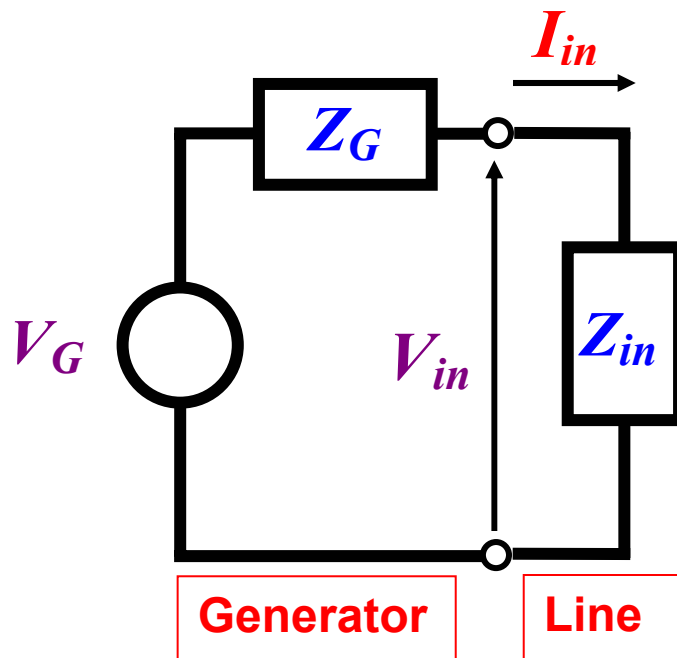
The time-average power at any transmission line location is

$$\langle P(d, t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V(d) I^*(d) \right\}$$

This quantity indicates the time-average power that **flows** through the line cross-section at location **d**. In other words, this is the power that, given a certain input, is **able to reach** location **d** and then **flows** into the remaining portion of the line **beyond this point**.

**It is a common mistake to think that the quantity above is the power dissipated at location **d** !**

The **generator**, the **input impedance**, the **input voltage** and the **input current** determine the **power** injected at the transmission line input.



$$V_{in} = V_G \frac{Z_{in}}{Z_G + Z_{in}}$$

$$I_{in} = V_G \frac{1}{Z_G + Z_{in}}$$

$$\langle P_{in} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left\{ V_{in} I_{in}^* \right\}$$

The time-average power reaching the load of the transmission line is given by the general expression

$$\begin{aligned} \langle P(d=0, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V(0) I^*(0) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ (1 + \Gamma_R) \frac{1}{Z_0^*} \left( V^+ (1 - \Gamma_R) \right)^* \right\} \end{aligned}$$

This represents the **power dissipated by the load**.

The time-average power **absorbed by the line** is simply the difference between the input power and the power absorbed by the load

$$\langle P_{line} \rangle = \langle P_{in} \rangle - \langle P(d=0, t) \rangle$$

In a **loss-less transmission line** no power is absorbed by the line, so the **input time-average power** is the same as the **time-average power absorbed by the load**. Remember that the internal impedance of the generator dissipates part of the total power generated.

It is instructive to develop further the general expression for the time-average power at the load, using  $Z_0=R_0+jX_0$  for the characteristic impedance, so that

$$\frac{1}{Z_0^*} = \frac{Z_0}{Z_0^* Z_0} = \frac{R_0 + jX_0}{|Z_0|^2} = \frac{R_0 + jX_0}{R_0^2 + X_0^2}$$

Alternatively, one may simplify the analysis by introducing the line **characteristic admittance**

$$Y_0 = \frac{1}{Z_0} = G_0 + jB_0$$

It may be more convenient to deal with the complex admittance at the numerator of the power expression, rather than the complex characteristic impedance at the denominator.

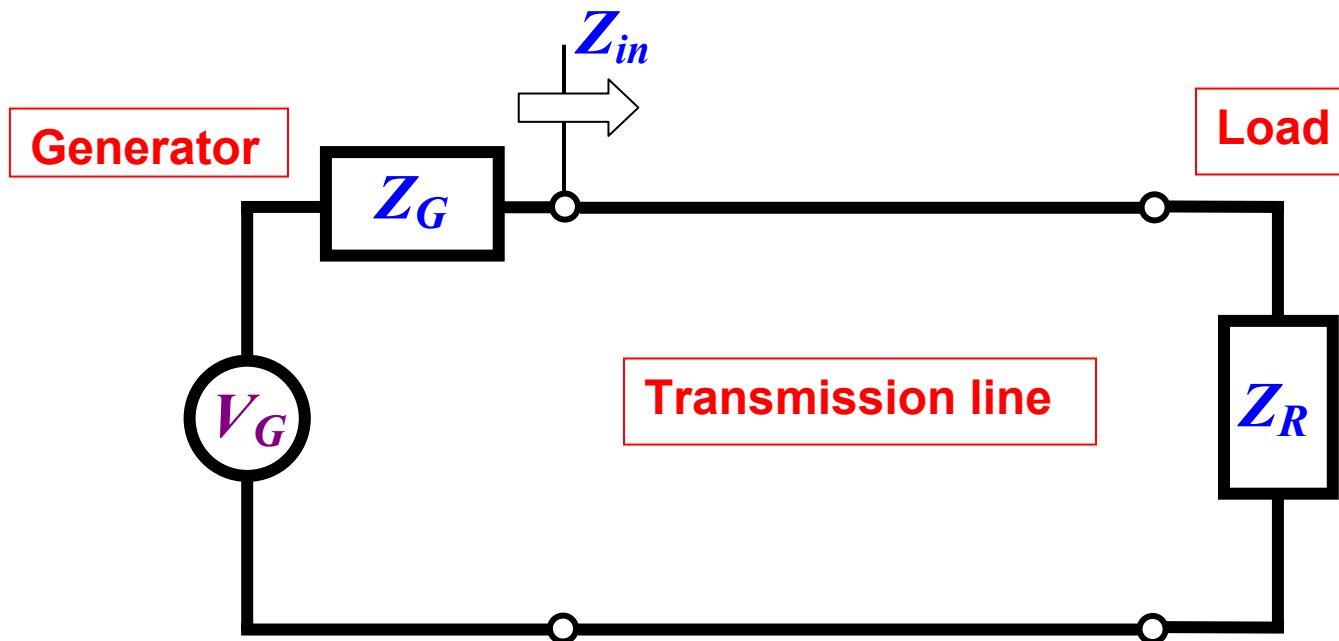


$$\begin{aligned}
\langle P(d=0, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ (1 + \Gamma_R) \frac{1}{Z_0^*} \left( V^+ (1 - \Gamma_R) \right)^* \right\} = \\
&= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2|Z_0|^2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (R_0 + jX_0) \left( 1 + \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} + j\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \left( 1 - \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} + j\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} \\
&= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2|Z_0|^2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (R_0 + jX_0) \left( 1 - \left( \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} \right)^2 + \left( \operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right)^2 + j2\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} \\
&= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2|Z_0|^2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (R_0 + jX_0) \left( 1 - |\Gamma_R|^2 + j2\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} = \\
&= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2|Z_0|^2} \left[ R_0 - R_0 |\Gamma_R|^2 - 2X_0 \operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

**Equivalently, using the complex characteristic admittance:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d=0, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ (1 + \Gamma_R) Y_0^* \left( V^+ (1 - \Gamma_R) \right)^* \right\} = \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (G_0 - jB_0) \left( 1 + \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} + j\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \left( 1 - \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} + j\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (G_0 - jB_0) \left( 1 - \left[ \left( \operatorname{Re}\{\Gamma_R\} \right)^2 + \left( \operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right)^2 \right] + j2\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ (G_0 - jB_0) \left( 1 - |\Gamma_R|^2 + j2\operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right) \right\} = \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2} \left[ G_0 - G_0 |\Gamma_R|^2 + 2B_0 \operatorname{Im}\{\Gamma_R\} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

The time-average power, injected into the input of the transmission line, is **maximized** when the input impedance of the transmission line and the internal generator impedance are **complex conjugate** of each other.



$$Z_G = Z_{in}^* \text{ for maximum power transfer}$$

The characteristic impedance of the **loss-less line** is **real** and we can express the power flow, anywhere on the line, as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ V(d) I^*(d) \} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ e^{j\beta d} \left( 1 + \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta d} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+)^* e^{-j\beta d} \left( 1 - \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta d} \right)^* \right\} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2Z_0} |V^+|^2}_{\text{Incident wave}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2Z_0} |V^+|^2 |\Gamma_R|^2}_{\text{Reflected wave}}
 \end{aligned}$$

**This result is valid for any location, including the input and the load, since the transmission line does not absorb any power.**

In the case of **low-loss** lines, the **characteristic impedance** is again **real**, but the time-average power flow is position dependent because the line absorbs power.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V(d) I^*(d) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ e^{\alpha d} e^{j\beta d} \left( 1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2\gamma d} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+)^* e^{\alpha d} e^{-j\beta d} \left( 1 - \Gamma_R e^{-2\gamma d} \right)^* \right\} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2Z_0} |V^+|^2 e^{2\alpha d}}_{\text{Incident wave}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2Z_0} |V^+|^2 e^{-2\alpha d} |\Gamma_R|^2}_{\text{Reflected wave}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that in a **lossy line** the **reference** for the amplitude of the **incident voltage wave** is at the load and that the amplitude grows exponentially moving towards the input. The amplitude of the incident wave behaves in the following way

$$\underbrace{V^+ e^{\alpha L}}_{\text{input}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{V^+ e^{\alpha d}}_{\text{inside the line}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{V^+}_{\text{load}}$$

The **reflected voltage wave** has maximum amplitude at the load, and it decays exponentially moving back towards the generator. The amplitude of the reflected wave behaves in the following way

$$\underbrace{V^+ \Gamma_R e^{-\alpha L}}_{\text{input}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{V^+ \Gamma_R e^{-\alpha d}}_{\text{inside the line}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{V^+ \Gamma_R}_{\text{load}}$$

For a general **lossy line** the power flow is again position dependent. Since the **characteristic impedance is complex**, the result has an additional term involving the imaginary part of the characteristic admittance,  $B_0$ , as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V(d) I^*(d) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ e^{\alpha d} e^{j\beta d} (1 + \Gamma(d)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. Y_0^* (V^+)^* e^{\alpha d} e^{-j\beta d} (1 - \Gamma(d))^* \right\} \\
 &= \frac{G_0}{2} |V^+|^2 e^{2\alpha d} - \frac{G_0}{2} |V^+|^2 e^{-2\alpha d} |\Gamma_R|^2 \\
 &\quad + B_0 |V^+|^2 e^{2\alpha d} \operatorname{Im}(\Gamma(d))
 \end{aligned}$$

For the **general lossy line**, keep in mind that

$$Y_0 = \frac{1}{Z_0} = \frac{Z_0^*}{Z_0 Z_0^*} = \frac{R_0 - jX_0}{|Z_0|^2} = \frac{R_0 - jX_0}{R_0^2 + X_0^2} = G_0 + jB_0$$

$$G_0 = \frac{R_0}{R_0^2 + X_0^2} \quad B_0 = \frac{-X_0}{R_0^2 + X_0^2}$$

Recall that for a **low-loss** transmission line the characteristic impedance is approximately real, so that

$$B_0 \approx 0 \quad \text{and} \quad Z_0 \approx 1/G_0 \approx R_0.$$

The previous result for the low-loss line can be readily recovered from the time-average power for the general lossy line.



To completely specify the transmission line problem, we still have to determine the value of  $V_+$  from the **input boundary condition**.

- The load boundary condition imposes the shape of the interference pattern of voltage and current along the line.
- The input boundary condition, linked to the generator, imposes the scaling for the interference patterns.

We have

$$V_{in} = V(L) = V_G \frac{Z_{in}}{Z_G + Z_{in}} \quad \text{with} \quad Z_{in} = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma(L)}{1 - \Gamma(L)}$$

$$\text{or} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Z_{in} = Z_0 \frac{Z_R + jZ_0 \tan(\beta L)}{jZ_R \tan(\beta L) + Z_0} \\ Z_{in} = Z_0 \frac{Z_R + Z_0 \tanh(\gamma L)}{Z_R \tanh(\gamma L) + Z_0} \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{loss - less line} \\ \text{lossy line} \end{array}$$

For a **loss-less** transmission line:

$$V(L) = V^+ e^{j\beta L} [1 + \Gamma(L)] = V^+ e^{j\beta L} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta L})$$

$$\Rightarrow V^+ = V_G \frac{Z_{in}}{Z_G + Z_{in}} \frac{1}{e^{j\beta L} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta L})}$$

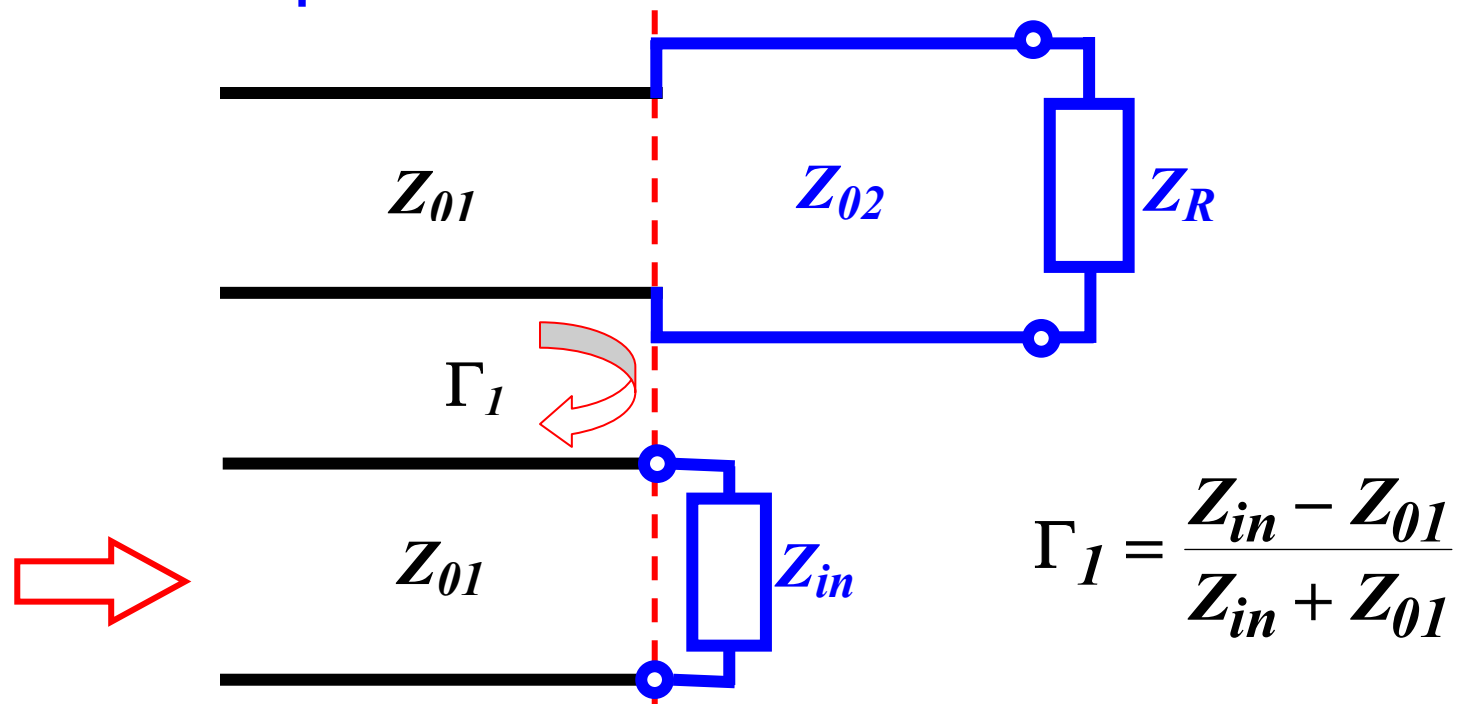
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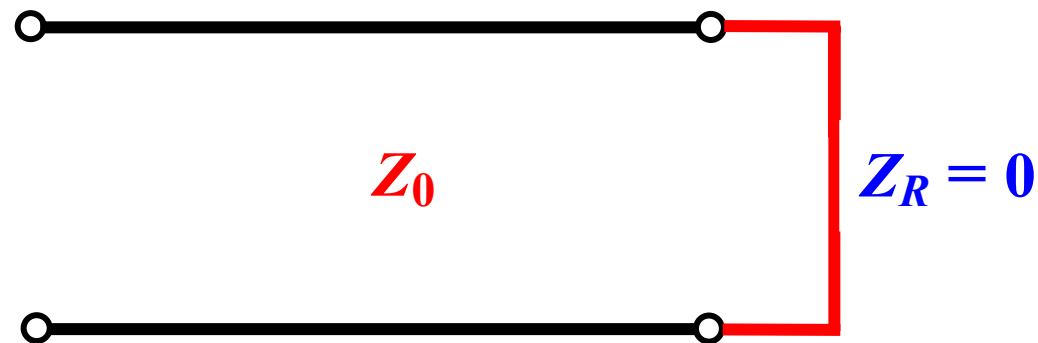
In order to have good **control** on the behavior of a high frequency circuit, it is very important to realize transmission lines as **uniform** as possible along their length, so that the impedance behavior of the line does not vary and can be easily characterized.

A change in transmission line properties, wanted or unwanted, entails a change in the characteristic impedance, which causes a reflection. Example:



## Special Cases

**$Z_R \rightarrow 0$  (SHORT CIRCUIT)**



The load **boundary condition** due to the short circuit is  $V(0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow V(d = 0) = V^+ e^{j\beta 0} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta 0})$$

$$= V^+ (1 + \Gamma_R) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_R = -1$$

Since

$$\Gamma_R = \frac{V^-}{V^+}$$
$$\Rightarrow V^- = -V^+$$

We can write the **line voltage** phasor as

$$\begin{aligned} V(d) &= V^+ e^{j\beta d} + V^- e^{-j\beta d} \\ &= V^+ e^{j\beta d} - V^+ e^{-j\beta d} \\ &= V^+ (e^{j\beta d} - e^{-j\beta d}) \\ &= 2jV^+ \sin(\beta d) \end{aligned}$$

For the **line current** phasor we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(d) &= \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+ e^{j\beta d} - V^- e^{-j\beta d}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+ e^{j\beta d} + V^+ e^{-j\beta d}) \\
 &= \frac{V^+}{Z_0} (e^{j\beta d} + e^{-j\beta d}) \\
 &= \frac{2V^+}{Z_0} \cos(\beta d)
 \end{aligned}$$

The **line impedance** is given by

$$Z(d) = \frac{V(d)}{I(d)} = \frac{2jV^+ \sin(\beta d)}{2V^+ \cos(\beta d) / Z_0} = jZ_0 \tan(\beta d)$$

The **time-dependent** values of voltage and current are obtained as

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(d, t) &= \text{Re}[V(d) e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[2j |V^+| e^{j\theta} \sin(\beta d) e^{j\omega t}] \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \sin(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[j e^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \sin(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[j \cos(\omega t + \theta) - \sin(\omega t + \theta)] \\
 &= -2 |V^+| \sin(\beta d) \sin(\omega t + \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(d, t) &= \text{Re}[I(d) e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[2 |V^+| e^{j\theta} \cos(\beta d) e^{j\omega t}] / Z_0 \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \cos(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[e^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] / Z_0 \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \cos(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[(\cos(\omega t + \theta) + j \sin(\omega t + \theta))] / Z_0 \\
 &= 2 \frac{|V^+|}{Z_0} \cos(\beta d) \cos(\omega t + \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

The **time-dependent power** is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(d, t) &= V(d, t) \cdot I(d, t) \\
 &= -4 \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \sin(\beta d) \cos(\beta d) \sin(\omega t + \theta) \cos(\omega t + \theta) \\
 &= -\frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \sin(2\beta d) \sin(2\omega t + 2\theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

and the corresponding **time-average power** is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T P(d, t) dt \\
 &= -\frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \sin(2\beta d) \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sin(2\omega t + 2\theta) dt = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



$Z_R \rightarrow \infty$  (OPEN CIRCUIT)



$Z_0$

$Z_R \rightarrow \infty$



The load **boundary condition** due to the open circuit is  $I(0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow I(d = 0) = \frac{V^+}{Z_0} e^{j\beta 0} (1 - \Gamma_R e^{-j2\beta 0})$$

$$= \frac{V^+}{Z_0} (1 - \Gamma_R) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_R = 1$$

Since

$$\Gamma_R = \frac{V^-}{V^+}$$

$$\Rightarrow V^- = V^+$$

We can write the **line current** phasor as

$$I(d) = \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+ e^{j\beta d} - V^- e^{-j\beta d})$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+ e^{j\beta d} - V^+ e^{-j\beta d})$$

$$= \frac{V^+}{Z_0} (e^{j\beta d} - e^{-j\beta d}) = \frac{2jV^+}{Z_0} \sin(\beta d)$$

For the **line voltage** phasor we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(\mathbf{d}) &= (V^+ e^{j\beta \mathbf{d}} + V^- e^{-j\beta \mathbf{d}}) \\
 &= (V^+ e^{j\beta \mathbf{d}} + V^+ e^{-j\beta \mathbf{d}}) \\
 &= V^+ (e^{j\beta \mathbf{d}} + e^{-j\beta \mathbf{d}}) \\
 &= 2V^+ \cos(\beta \mathbf{d})
 \end{aligned}$$

The **line impedance** is given by

$$Z(\mathbf{d}) = \frac{V(\mathbf{d})}{I(\mathbf{d})} = \frac{2V^+ \cos(\beta \mathbf{d})}{2jV^+ \sin(\beta \mathbf{d}) / Z_0} = -j \frac{Z_0}{\tan(\beta \mathbf{d})}$$

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 V(d, t) &= \text{Re}[V(d) e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[2 |V^+| e^{j\theta} \cos(\beta d) e^{j\omega t}] \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \cos(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[e^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \cos(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[\cos(\omega t + \theta) + j \sin(\omega t + \theta)] \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \cos(\beta d) \cos(\omega t + \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(d, t) &= \text{Re}[I(d) e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[2 j |V^+| e^{j\theta} \sin(\beta d) e^{j\omega t}] / Z_0 \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \sin(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[j e^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] / Z_0 \\
 &= 2 |V^+| \sin(\beta d) \cdot \text{Re}[j \cos(\omega t + \theta) - \sin(\omega t + \theta)] / Z_0 \\
 &= -2 \frac{|V^+|}{Z_0} \sin(\beta d) \sin(\omega t + \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

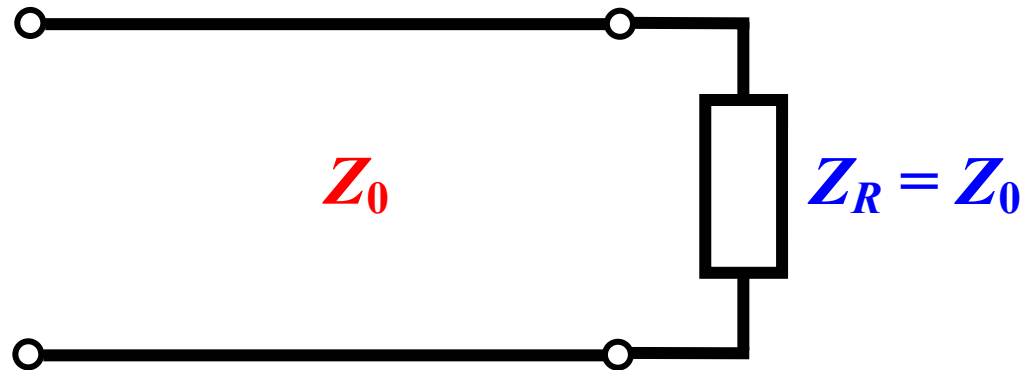
The **time-dependent power** is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(d, t) &= V(d, t) \cdot I(d, t) = \\
 &= -4 \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \cos(\beta d) \sin(\beta d) \cos(\omega t + \theta) \sin(\omega t + \theta) \\
 &= -\frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \sin(2\beta d) \sin(2\omega t + 2\theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

and the corresponding **time-average power** is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d, t) \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T P(d, t) dt \\
 &= -\frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \sin(2\beta d) \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sin(2\omega t + 2\theta) dt = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Z_R = Z_0 \text{ (MATCHED LOAD)}$$



The **reflection coefficient** for a matched load is

$$\Gamma_R = \frac{Z_R - Z_0}{Z_R + Z_0} = \frac{Z_0 - Z_0}{Z_0 + Z_0} = 0 \quad \text{no reflection!}$$

The **line voltage** and **line current** phasors are

$$V(d) = V^+ e^{j\beta d} (1 + \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d}) = V^+ e^{j\beta d}$$

$$I(d) = \frac{V^+}{Z_0} e^{j\beta d} (1 - \Gamma_R e^{-2j\beta d}) = \frac{V^+}{Z_0} e^{j\beta d}$$

The **line impedance** is **independent** of position and equal to the characteristic impedance of the line

$$Z(d) = \frac{V(d)}{I(d)} = \frac{V^+ e^{j\beta d}}{\frac{V^+}{Z_0} e^{j\beta d}} = Z_0$$

The **time-dependent** voltage and current are

$$\begin{aligned} V(d, t) &= \text{Re}[|V^+| e^{j\theta} e^{j\beta d} e^{j\omega t}] \\ &= |V^+| \cdot \text{Re}[e^{j(\omega t + \beta d + \theta)}] = |V^+| \cos(\omega t + \beta d + \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I(d, t) &= \text{Re}[|V^+| e^{j\theta} e^{j\beta d} e^{j\omega t}] / Z_0 \\ &= \frac{|V^+|}{Z_0} \cdot \text{Re}[e^{j(\omega t + \beta d + \theta)}] = \frac{|V^+|}{Z_0} \cos(\omega t + \beta d + \theta) \end{aligned}$$

The **time-dependent power** is

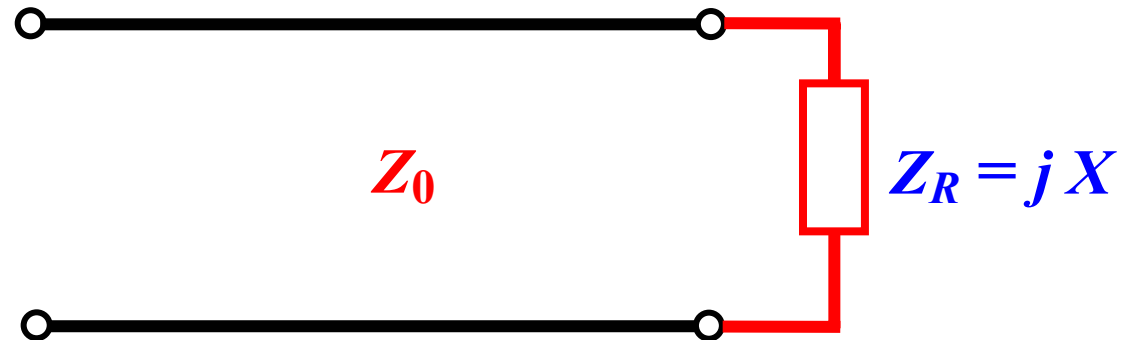
$$\begin{aligned}
 P(d, t) &= |V^+| \cos(\omega t + \beta d + \theta) \frac{|V^+|}{Z_0} \cos(\omega t + \beta d + \theta) \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \cos^2(\omega t + \beta d + \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

and the **time average power** absorbed by the load is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle P(d) \rangle &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} \cos^2(\omega t + \beta d + \theta) dt \\
 &= \frac{|V^+|^2}{2Z_0}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$Z_R = jX \text{ (PURE REACTANCE)}$$



The **reflection coefficient** for a purely reactive load is

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_R &= \frac{Z_R - Z_0}{Z_R + Z_0} = \frac{jX - Z_0}{jX + Z_0} = \\ &= \frac{(jX - Z_0)(jX - Z_0)}{(jX + Z_0)(jX - Z_0)} = \frac{X^2 - Z_0^2}{Z_0^2 + X^2} + 2j \frac{XZ_0}{Z_0^2 + X^2} \end{aligned}$$

In polar form

$$\Gamma_R = |\Gamma_R| \exp(j\theta)$$

where

$$|\Gamma_R| = \sqrt{\frac{(X^2 - Z_0^2)^2}{(Z_0^2 + X^2)^2} + \frac{4X^2 Z_0^2}{(Z_0^2 + X^2)^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{(Z_0^2 + X^2)^2}{(Z_0^2 + X^2)^2}} = 1$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2XZ_0}{X^2 - Z_0^2} \right)$$

The **reflection coefficient** has **unitary** magnitude, as in the case of short and open circuit load, with zero time average power absorbed by the load. Both voltage and current are finite at the load, and the time-dependent power oscillates between positive and negative values. This means that the load periodically stores power and then returns it to the line without dissipation.

**Reactive impedances** can be realized with **transmission lines** terminated by a short or by an open circuit. The input impedance of a loss-less transmission line of length **L** terminated by a **short circuit** is purely imaginary

$$Z_{in} = j Z_0 \tan(\beta L) = j Z_0 \tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} L\right) = j Z_0 \tan\left(\frac{2\pi f}{v_p} L\right)$$

For a specified frequency  $f$ , **any reactance value** (positive or negative!) can be obtained by changing the length of the line from **0** to  $\lambda/2$ . An inductance is realized for  $L < \lambda/4$  (positive tangent) while a capacitance is realized for  $\lambda/4 < L < \lambda/2$  (negative tangent).

When  $L = 0$  and  $L = \lambda/2$  the tangent is zero, and the input impedance corresponds to a **short** circuit. However, when  $L = \lambda/4$  the tangent is infinite and the input impedance corresponds to an **open** circuit.

Since the tangent function is **periodic**, the same impedance behavior of the impedance will repeat identically for each additional line increment of length  $\lambda/2$ . A similar **periodic** behavior is also obtained when the length of the line is fixed and the frequency of operation is changed.

At zero frequency (infinite wavelength), the short circuited line behaves as a short circuit for any line length. When the frequency is increased, the wavelength shortens and one obtains an inductance for  $L < \lambda/4$  and a capacitance for  $\lambda/4 < L < \lambda/2$ , with an open circuit at  $L = \lambda/4$  and a short circuit again at  $L = \lambda/2$ .

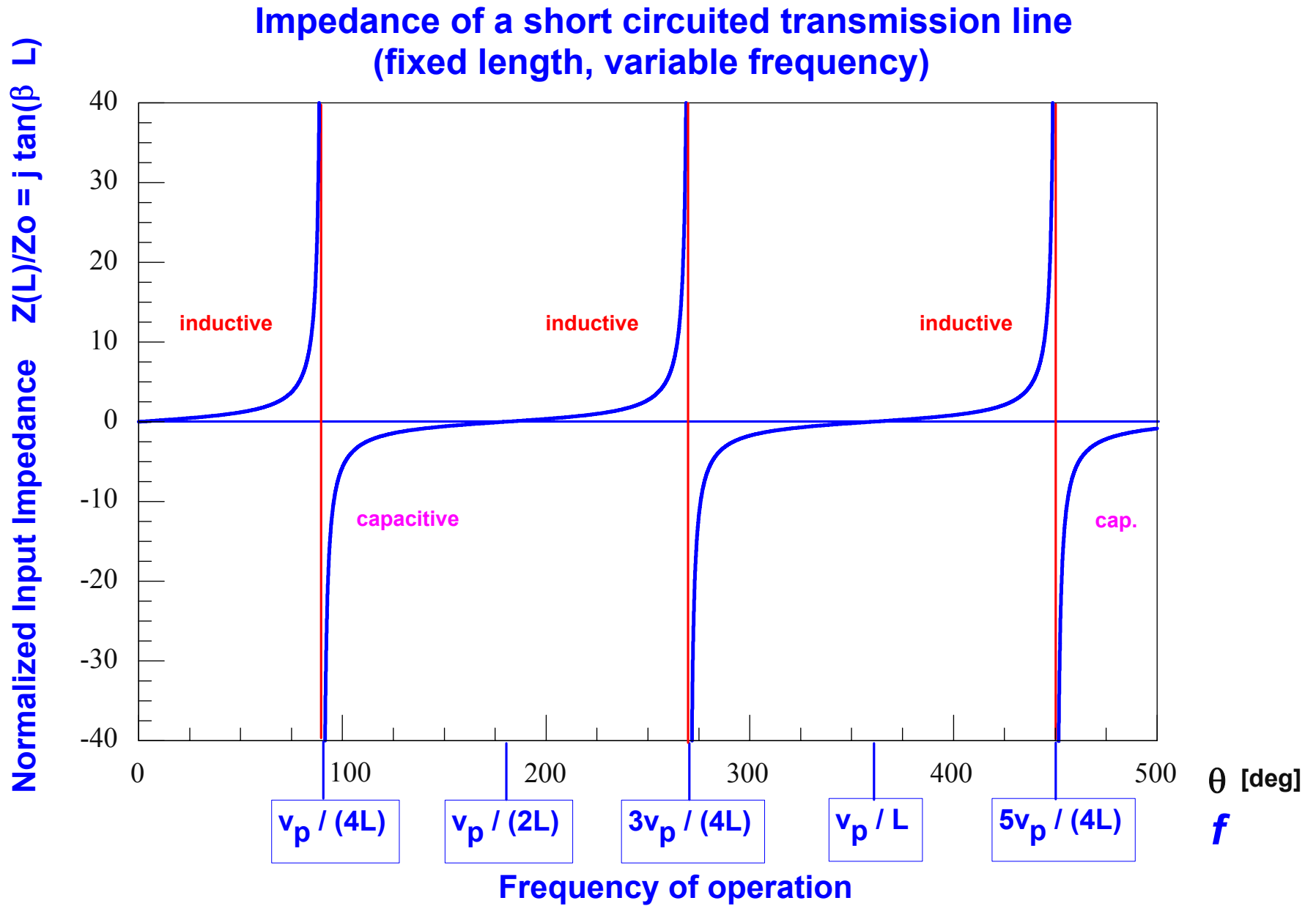
Note that the frequency behavior of lumped elements is very different. Consider an ideal inductor with inductance  $L$  assumed to be constant with frequency, for simplicity. At zero frequency the inductor also behaves as a short circuit, but the reactance varies **monotonically** and **linearly** with frequency as

$$X = \omega L \text{ (always an inductance)}$$

## Short circuited transmission line – Fixed frequency

$L$ ↓	$L = 0$	$Z_{in} = 0$	short circuit	}
	$0 < L < \frac{\lambda}{4}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} > 0$	inductance	
	$L = \frac{\lambda}{4}$	$Z_{in} \rightarrow \infty$	open circuit	
	$\frac{\lambda}{4} < L < \frac{\lambda}{2}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} < 0$	capacitance	
	$L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$	$Z_{in} = 0$	short circuit	}
	$\frac{\lambda}{2} < L < \frac{3\lambda}{4}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} > 0$	inductance	
	$L = \frac{3\lambda}{4}$	$Z_{in} \rightarrow \infty$	open circuit	
	$\frac{3\lambda}{4} < L < \lambda$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} < 0$	capacitance	
...				





For a transmission line of length  $L$  terminated by an open circuit, the input impedance is again purely imaginary

$$Z_{in} = -j \frac{Z_0}{\tan(\beta L)} = -j \frac{Z_0}{\tan\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} L\right)} = -j \frac{Z_0}{\tan\left(\frac{2\pi f}{v_p} L\right)}$$

We can also use the open circuited line to realize any reactance, but starting from a **capacitive** value when the line length is very short.

Note once again that the frequency behavior of a corresponding lumped element is different. Consider an ideal capacitor with capacitance  $C$  assumed to be constant with frequency. At zero frequency the capacitor behaves as an open circuit, but the reactance varies **monotonically** and **linearly** with frequency as

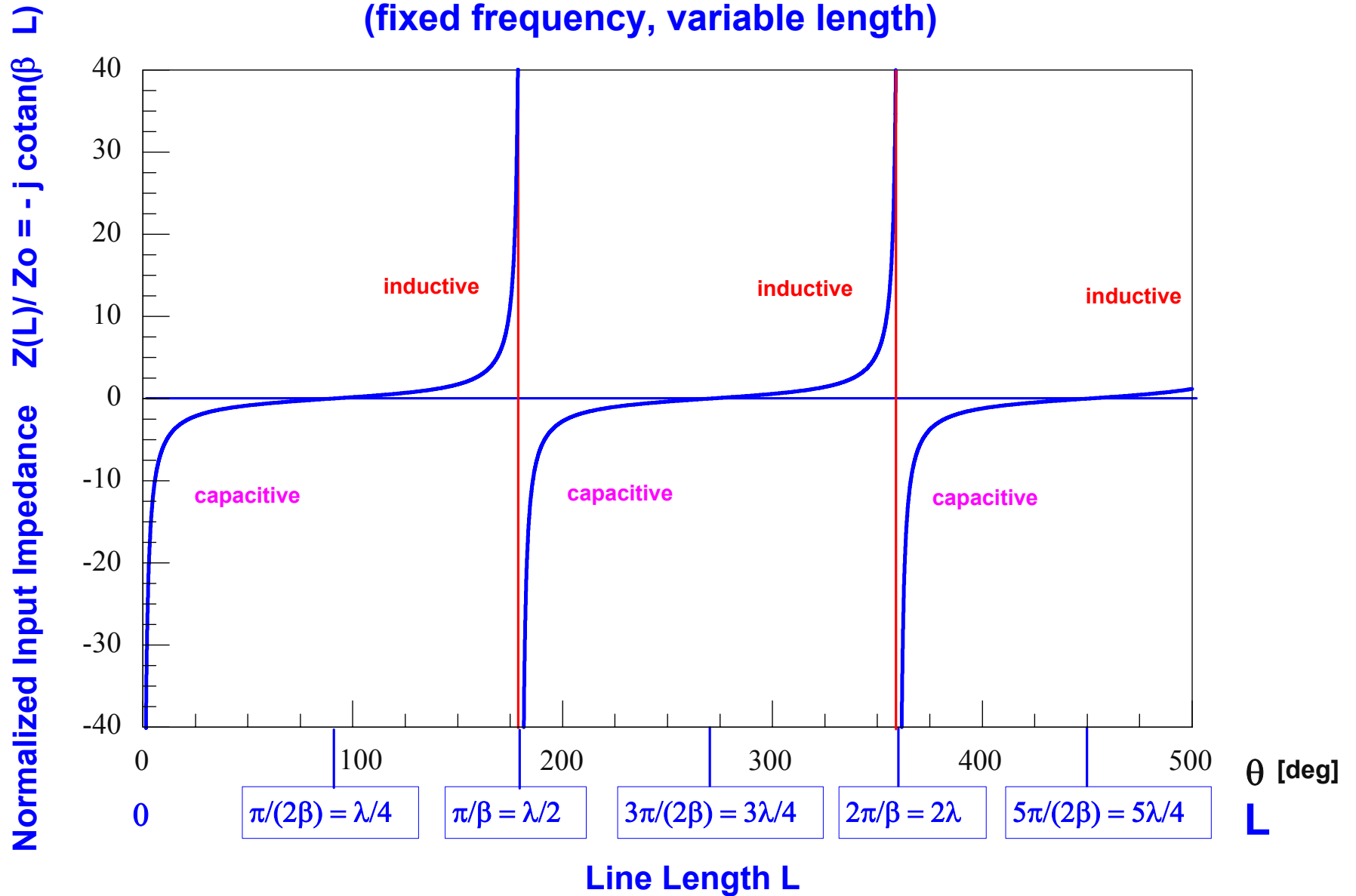
$$X = \frac{1}{\omega C} \text{ (always a capacitance)}$$



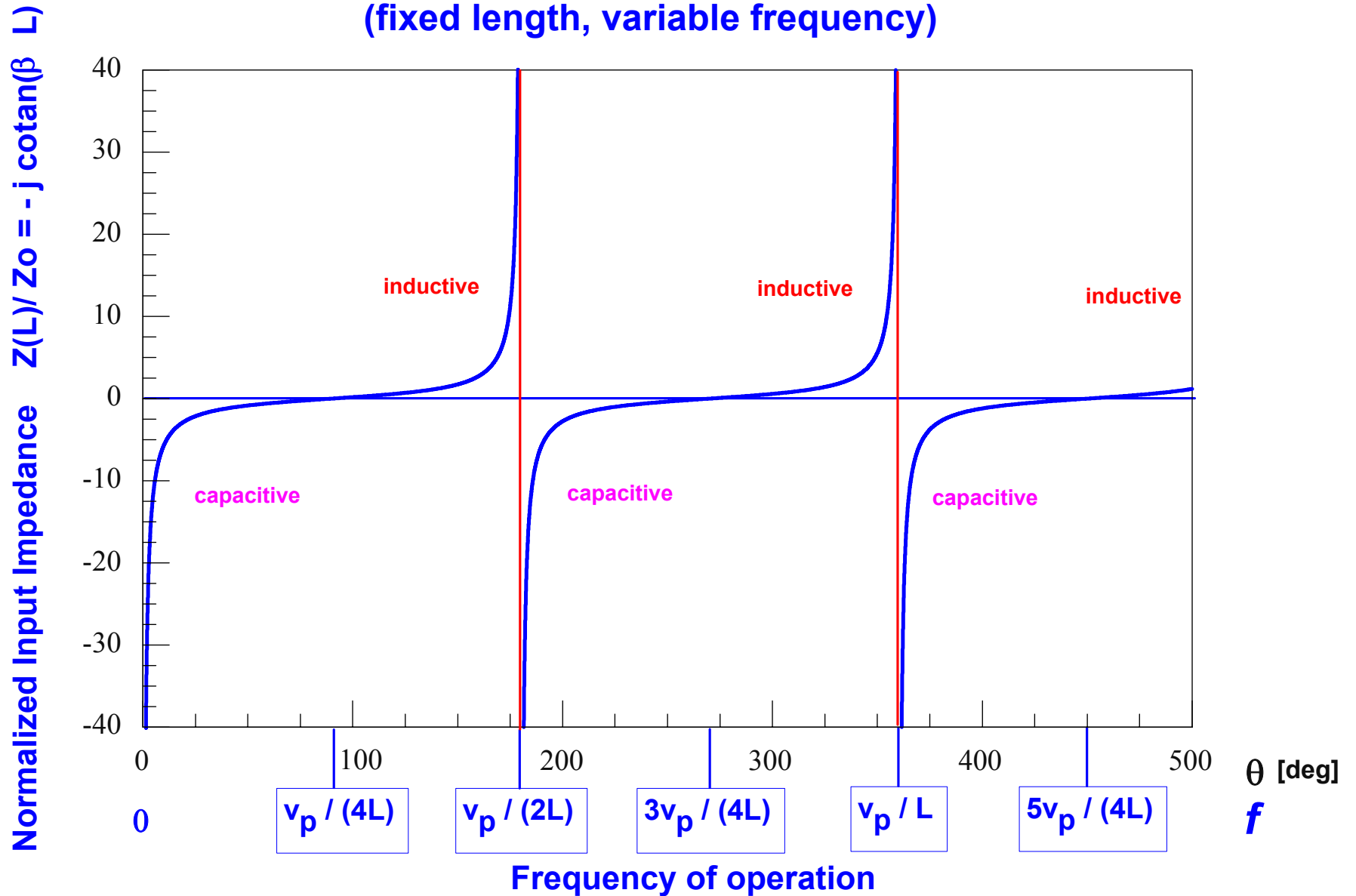
## Open circuit transmission line – Fixed frequency

$L$ ↓	$L = 0$	$Z_{in} \rightarrow \infty$	open circuit	}
	$0 < L < \frac{\lambda}{4}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} < 0$	capacitance	
	$L = \frac{\lambda}{4}$	$Z_{in} = 0$	short circuit	
	$\frac{\lambda}{4} < L < \frac{\lambda}{2}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} > 0$	inductance	
	$L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$	$Z_{in} \rightarrow \infty$	open circuit	}
	$\frac{\lambda}{2} < L < \frac{3\lambda}{4}$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} < 0$	capacitance	
	$L = \frac{3\lambda}{4}$	$Z_{in} = 0$	short circuit	
	$\frac{3\lambda}{4} < L < \lambda$	$\text{Im}\{Z_{in}\} > 0$	inductance	
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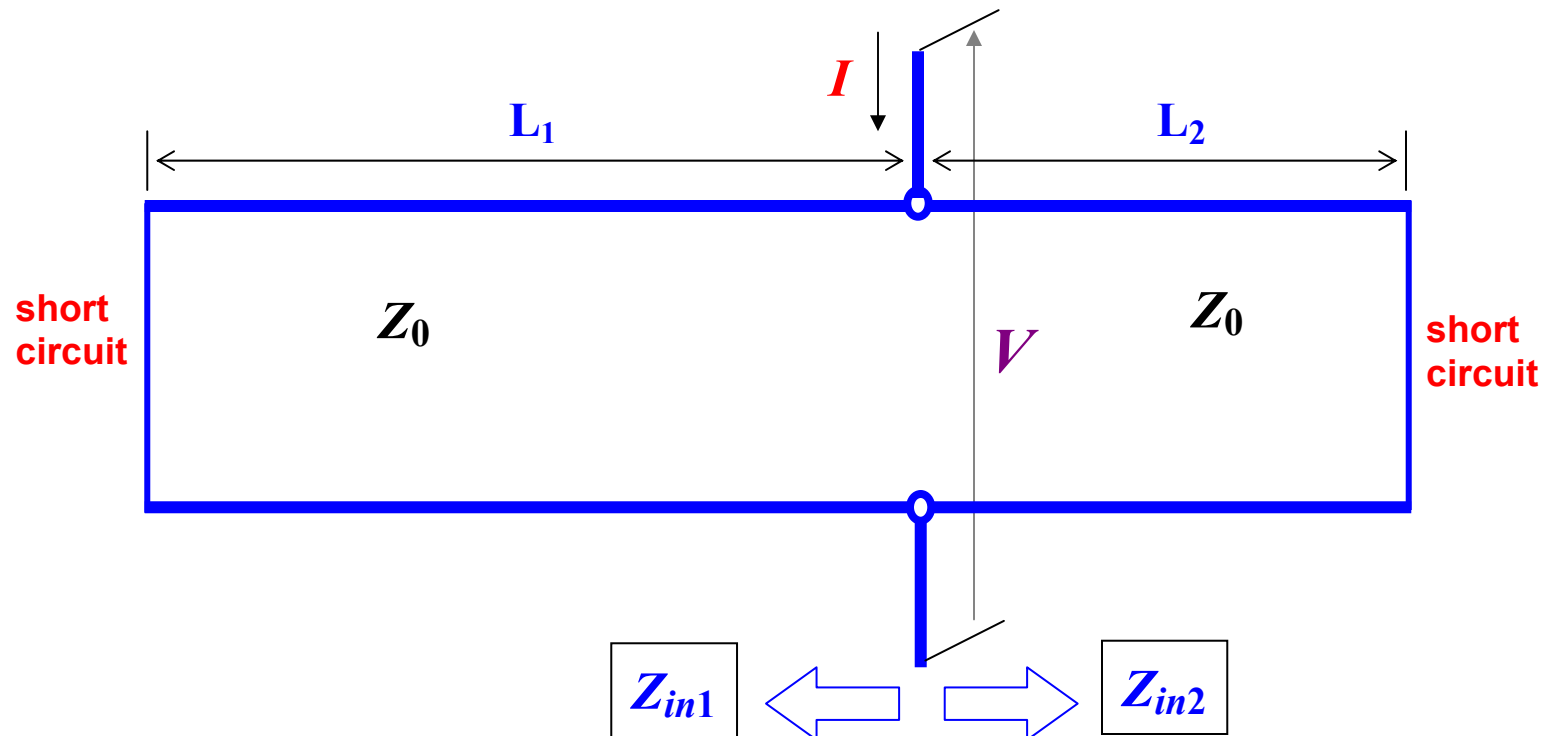
### Impedance of an open circuited transmission line (fixed frequency, variable length)



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It is possible to realize **resonant circuits** by using **transmission lines** as reactive elements. For instance, consider the circuit below realized with lines having the same characteristic impedance:



$$Z_{in1} = j Z_0 \tan(\beta L_1)$$

$$Z_{in2} = j Z_0 \tan(\beta L_2)$$

The circuit is **resonant** if  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are chosen such that an inductance and a capacitance are realized.

A **resonance condition** is established when the total input impedance of the parallel circuit is **infinite** or, equivalently, when the input admittance of the parallel circuit is **zero**

$$\frac{1}{jZ_0 \tan(\beta_r L_1)} + \frac{1}{jZ_0 \tan(\beta_r L_2)} = 0$$

or

$$\tan\left(\frac{\omega_r L_1}{v_p}\right) = -\tan\left(\frac{\omega_r L_2}{v_p}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad \beta_r = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_r} = \frac{\omega_r}{v_p}$$

Since the tangent is a periodic function, there is a multiplicity of possible **resonant angular frequencies**  $\omega_r$  that satisfy the condition above. The values can be found by using a **numerical** procedure to solve the transcendental equation above.