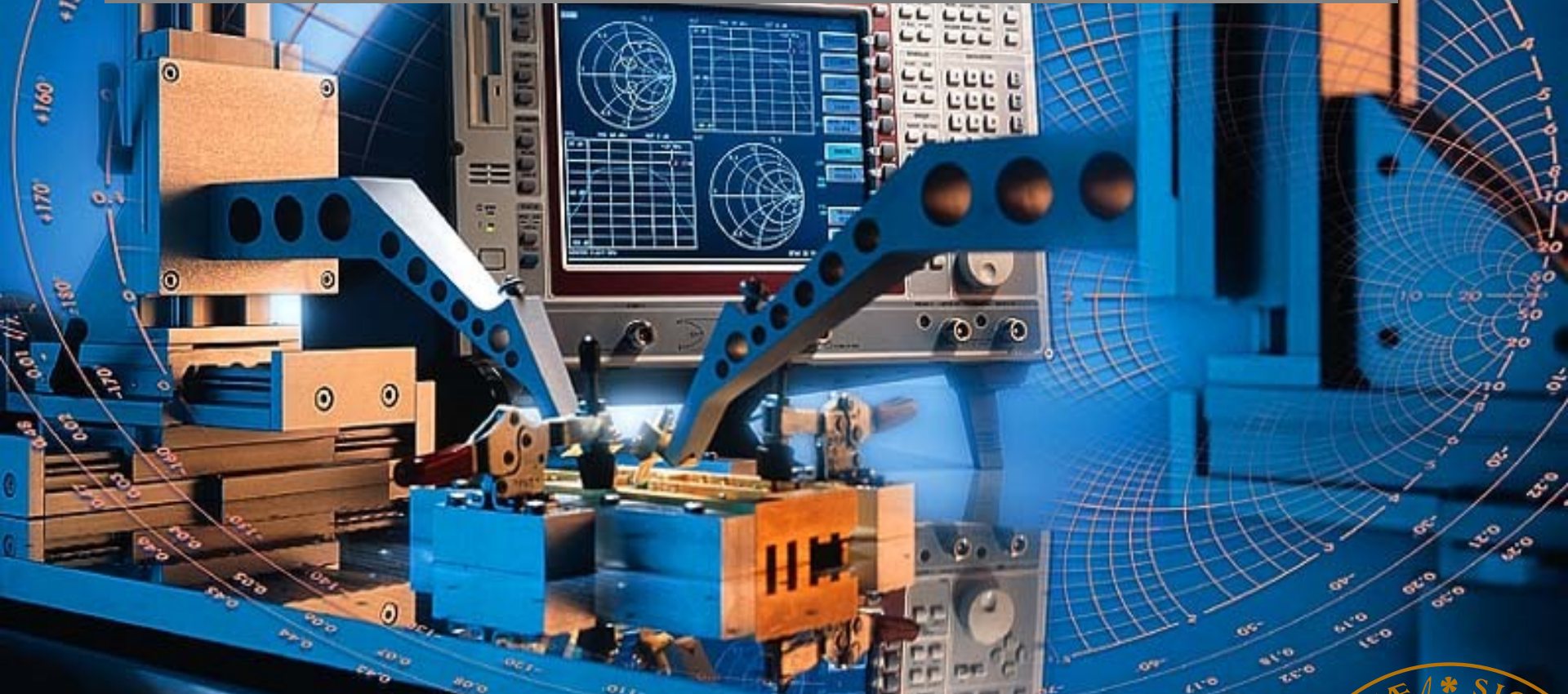


Lecture 2

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RF Amplifier Design



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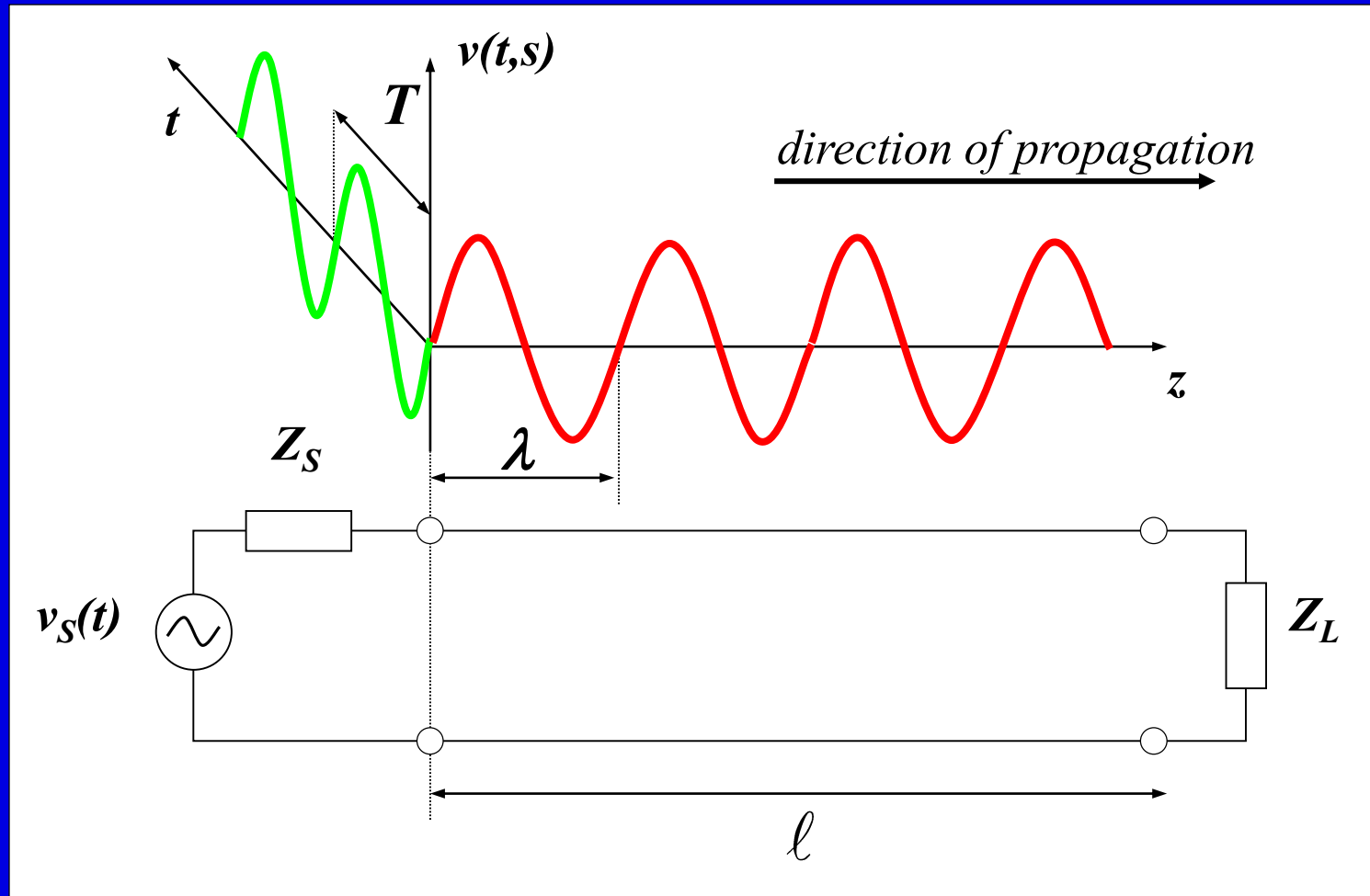


Lecture 2

- Transmission lines
 - Concepts
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 - modelling transmission lines
 - characteristic impedance
 - phase velocity
 - reflection coefficient
 - impedance transformation
 - normalised impedance
 - standing-wave ratio
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From Source to Load



Waves on Lines

- Voltage/current is expressed by both **time** and **distance**:

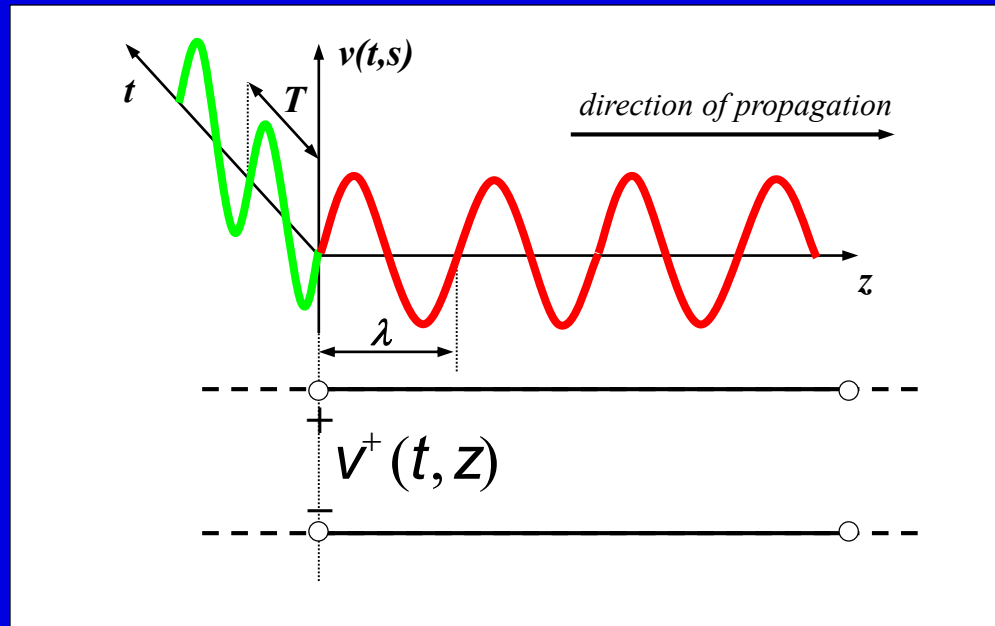
$$v^+(t, z) = |V_0^+| \exp(-\alpha z) \cos[\omega t - \beta z + \phi_0^+] = \operatorname{Re}(V_0^+ \exp[j\omega t - \gamma z])$$

– where $\gamma = \alpha + j\beta$ is the propagation constant

→ α is the attenuation constant

→ β is the phase constant $\beta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$

Travelling Voltage Wave on a Lossless Line

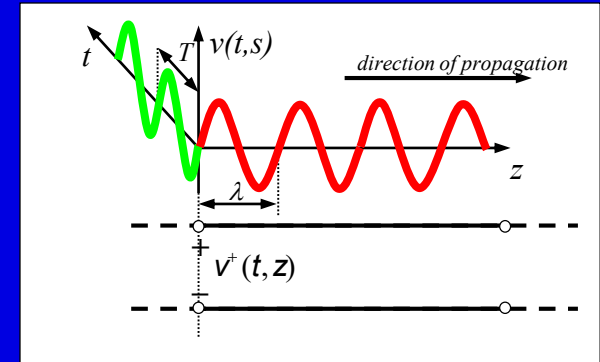


$$v^+(t, z) = |V_0^+| \cos[\omega t - \beta z + \phi_0^+] = \text{Re}(V_0^+ \exp[j(\omega t - \beta z)])$$

- where $V_0^+ = |V_0^+| \exp(j\phi_0^+)$ is the complex amplitude of the signal $v^+(t,z)$ at $z = 0$

Travelling Voltage Wave on a Lossless Line (cont.)

$$v^+(t, z) = |V_0^+| \cos[\omega t - \beta z + \phi_0^+] = \text{Re}(V_0^+ \exp[j(\omega t - \beta z)])$$



- The phase constant β may be expressed in other parameters

- $v^+(t, z)$ shows maximum amplitude when

$$\omega t - \beta z + \phi_0^+ = 2n\pi$$

- the phase at a fixed point at the wave front is shifted by 2π if
 - z is increased by one wavelength or
 - the time is increased by T

$$2\pi = \omega T = \beta \lambda$$

$$\beta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$v_p = \frac{\lambda}{T} = \lambda f = \frac{\omega}{\beta}$$

Generalization

- A wave travelling in negative direction may also be defined:

$$v^-(t, z) = |V_0^-| \cos[\omega t + \beta z + \phi_0^-] = \text{Re}(V_0^- \exp[j(\omega t + \beta z)])$$

**Note sign of
phase constant**

- normally there are one incident and one reflected wave on the line
- for this reason the total voltage is

$$v(t, z) = v^+(t, z) + v^-(t, z)$$

The Time Dependence is Often Less Important

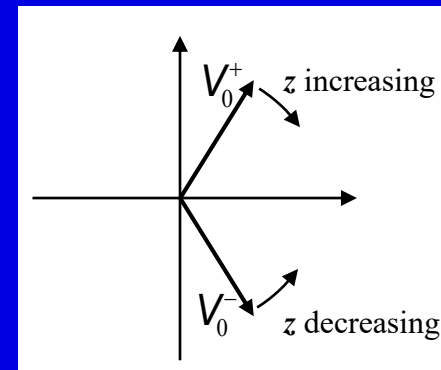
- the signal is normally a sinusoidal wave at fixed frequency
it is therefore often sufficient to express the wave by the complex amplitude
- it is however important to study how the complex amplitude changes along the line:

$$V^+(z) = V_0^+ e^{-j\beta z}$$

$$V^-(z) = V_0^- e^{j\beta z}$$

- generally the complex amplitude of the total voltage in the position z at the line is:

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



Current Wave

- There is always an associated current wave related to the voltage wave:

$$I^+(z) = I_0^+ e^{-j\beta z}$$

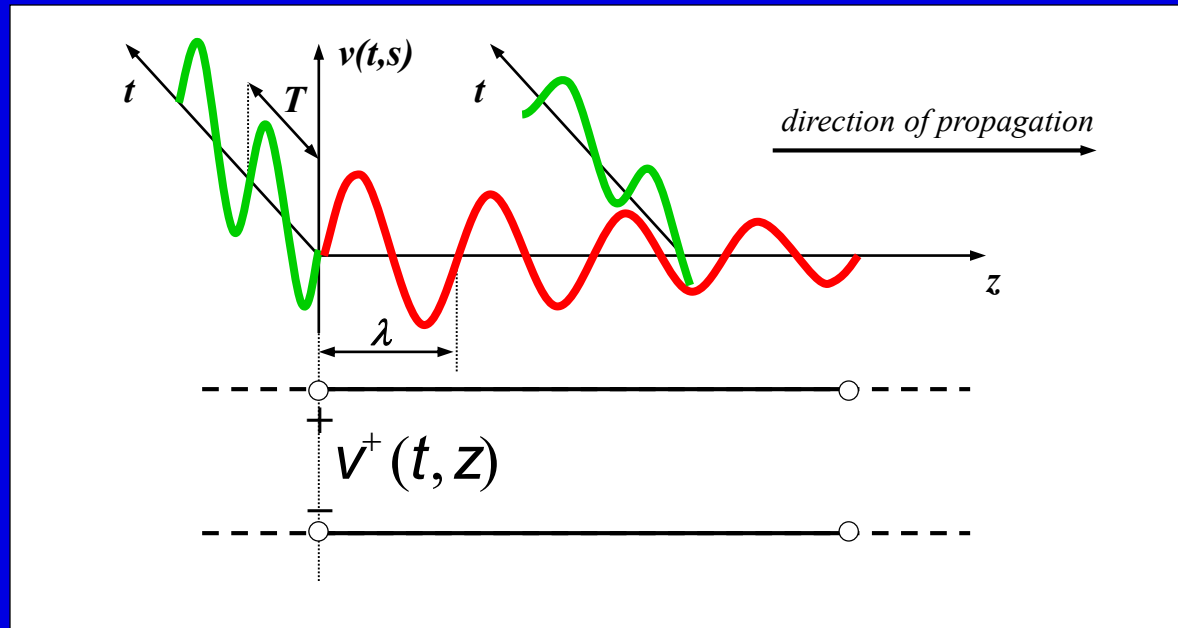
$$I^-(z) = I_0^- e^{j\beta z}$$

- generally the complex amplitude of the total current through the node at the position z is:

$$I(z) = I^+(z) - I^-(z)$$

- the ratio between voltage and current is determined by the electrical characteristics of the line. This will be discussed later on.

Travelling Voltage Wave on a Lossy Line



$$V^+(z) = V_0^+ e^{-\gamma z} = V_0^+ e^{-(\alpha + j\beta)z} = V_0^+ e^{-\alpha z} e^{-j\beta z}$$

the propagation constant

$$\gamma = \alpha + j\beta$$

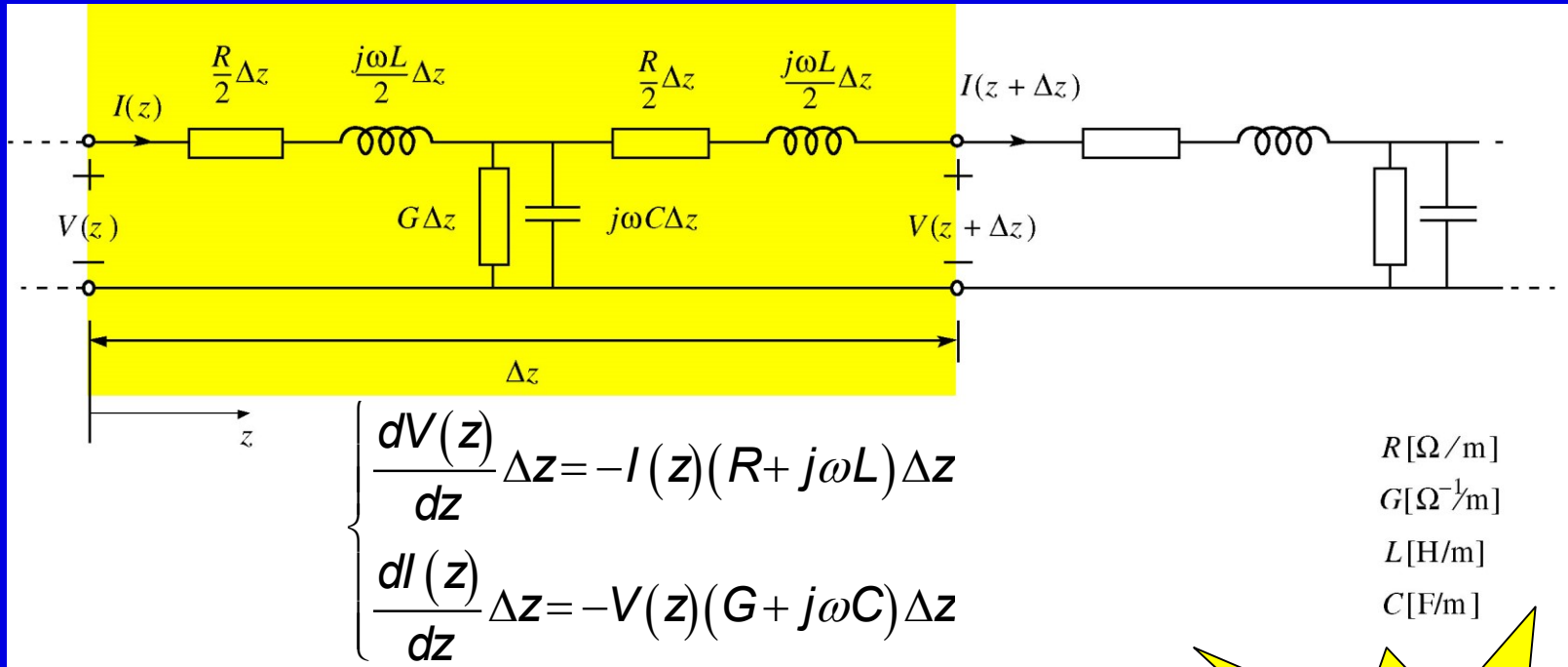
where α is the attenuation constant expressed in **Neper/m**

1 Neper/m = 8.69 dB/m

www.sizes.com/units/neper.htm

$$\text{neper} = 20 \cdot \log_{10}(\exp(-1))$$

A Lumped Circuit Model for a Transmission Line



$$\gamma^2 = (R + j\omega L)(G + j\omega C)$$

“wave description”

“line description”

RLGC per unit length

The Relation Current - Voltage

- is expressed by the **characteristic impedance Z_0**

$$\frac{V_0^+}{I_0^+} = \frac{V_0^-}{I_0^-} = Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R + j\omega L}{G + j\omega C}}$$

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

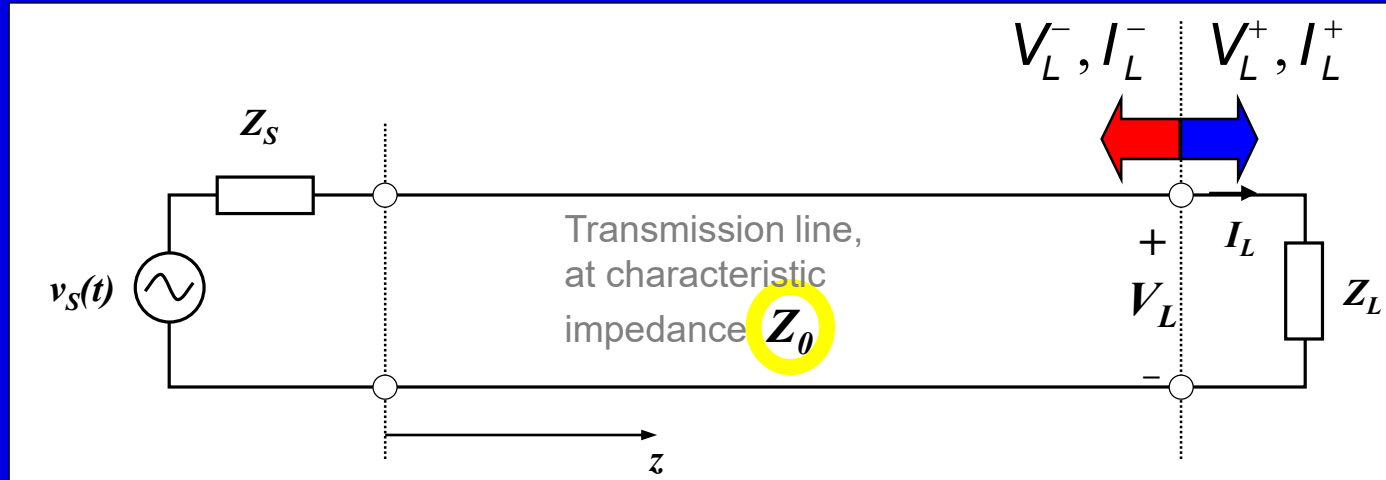
$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R + j\omega L}{G + j\omega C}} = \dots \approx \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

if dielectric is assumed to be air:

$$v_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

Reflection

- Study the voltage and the current at Z_L



$$V_L = V_L^+ + V_L^- = (I_L^+ + I_L^-)Z_0 \quad V_L = I_L Z_L = (I_L^+ - I_L^-)Z_L$$

$$I_L^- = I_L^+ \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} \quad \text{or} \quad V_L^- = V_L^+ \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$$

Important

- Definition of the reflection coefficient

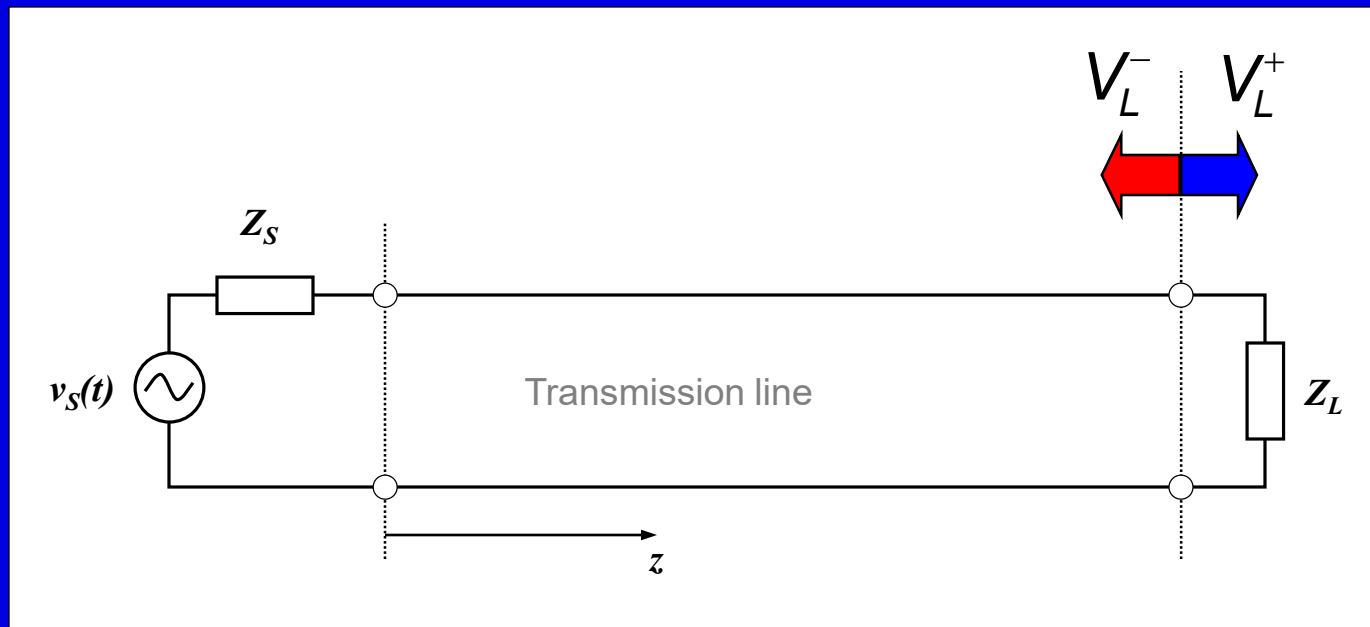
$$\Gamma_L = \frac{I_L^-}{I_L^+} = \frac{V_L^-}{V_L^+}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_L = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} \Leftrightarrow Z_L = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma_L}{1 - \Gamma_L}$$

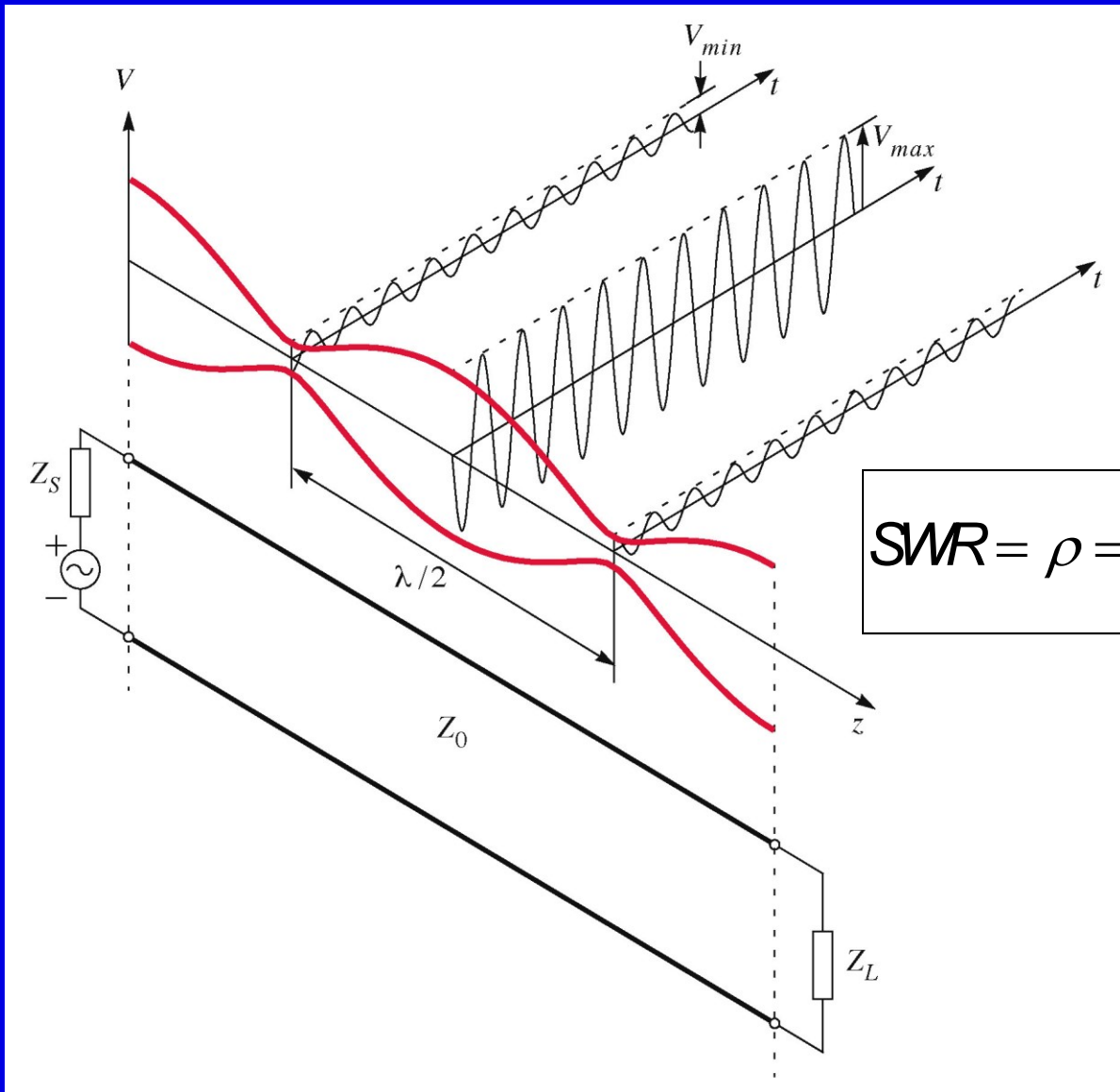
Reflection Coefficient

- Definition:

$$\Gamma = \frac{\text{reflected voltage wave}}{\text{incident voltage wave}} = \frac{V^- e^{\gamma z}}{V^+ e^{-\gamma z}}$$



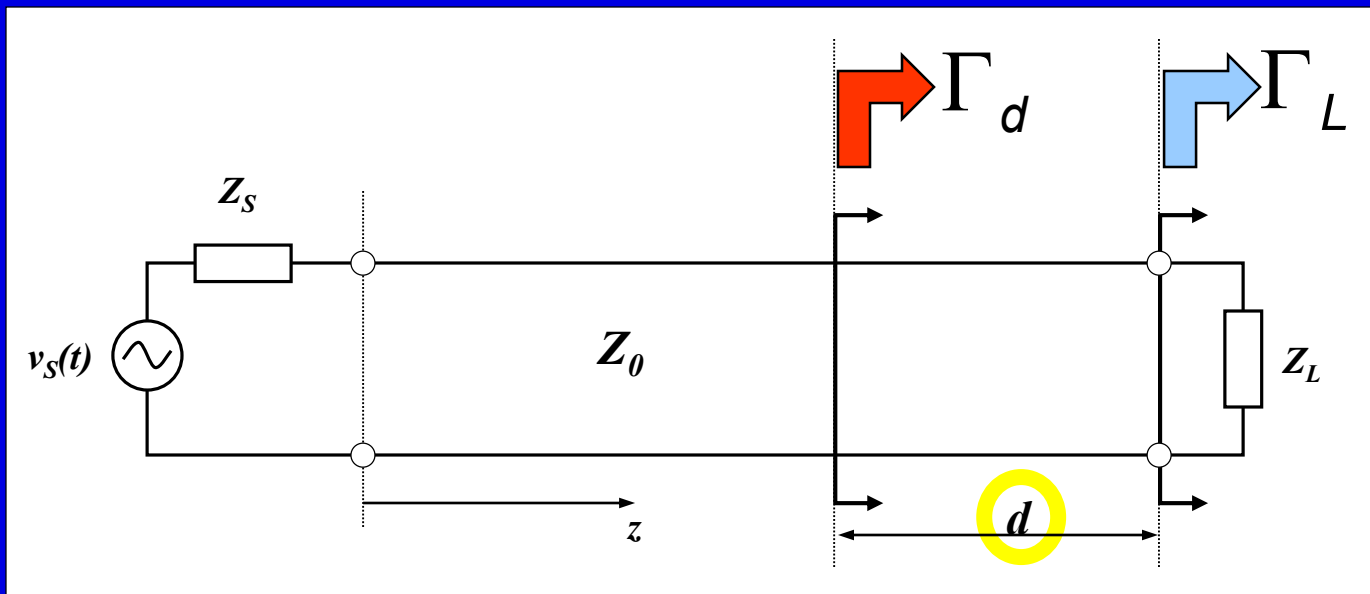
Standing-Wave Ratio



$$SWR = \rho = \frac{V_{max}}{V_{min}} = \frac{I_{max}}{I_{min}} = \frac{1 + |\Gamma|}{1 - |\Gamma|}$$

Transformation of the Reflection Coefficient

- Determine the reflection coefficient at an arbitrary location d at the line:



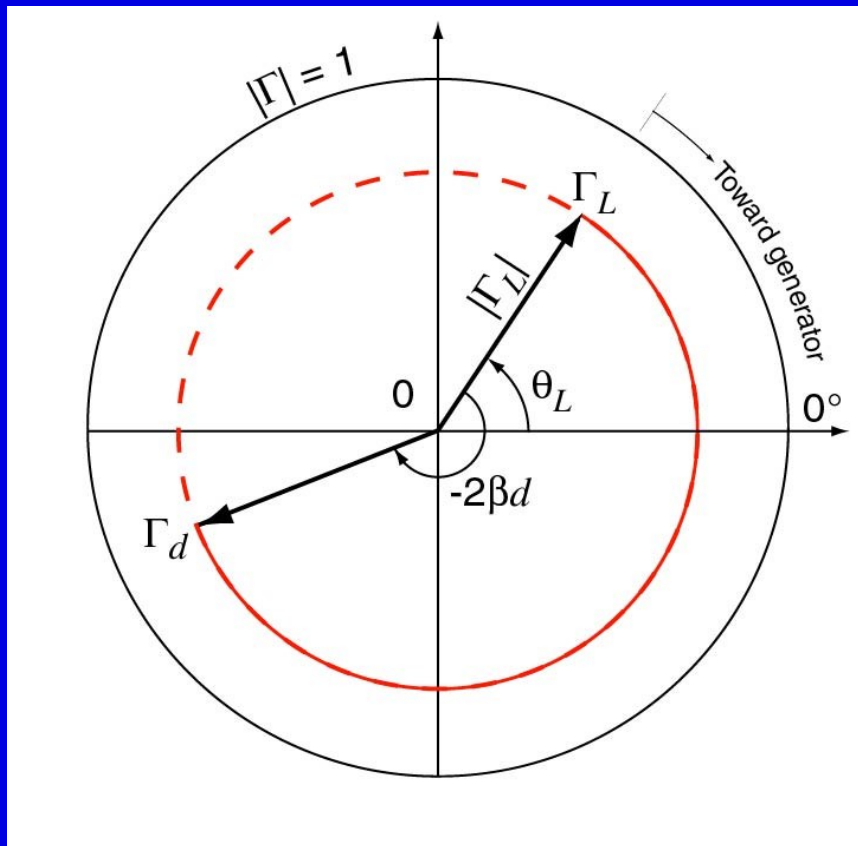
$$\Gamma_d = \Gamma_L e^{-2\gamma d} = \Gamma_L e^{-2\alpha d} e^{-2j\beta d}$$

Transformation of the Reflection Coefficient

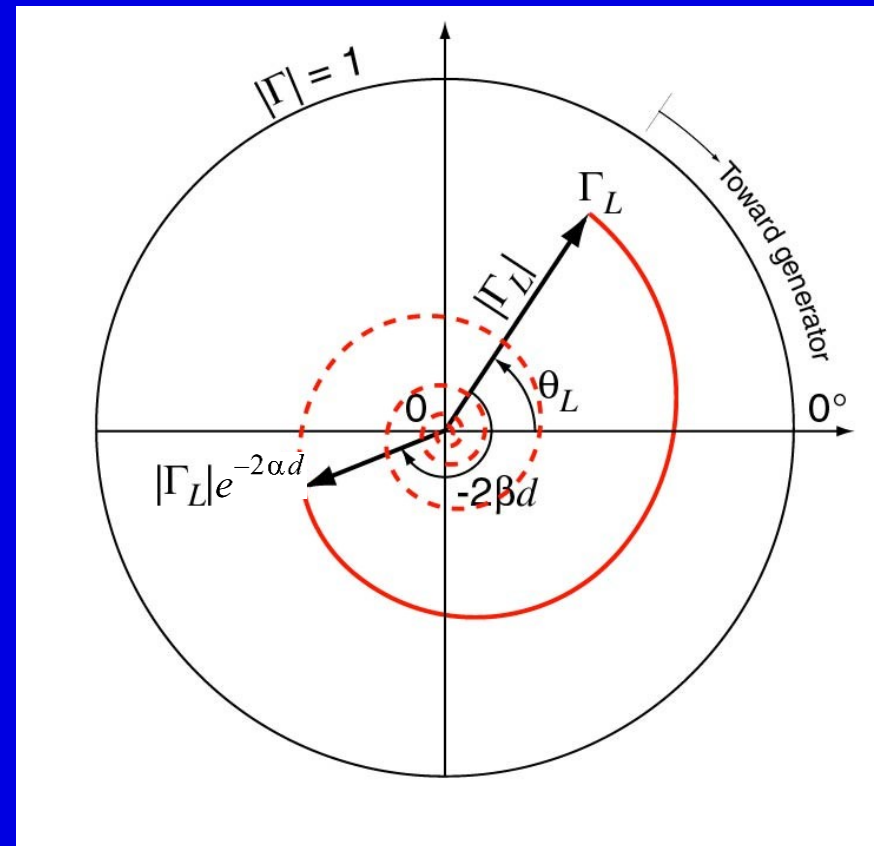
Implies a rotation in the polar Γ -plane

- Polar diagram $\Gamma_d = \Gamma_L e^{-2\gamma d} = \Gamma_L e^{-2\alpha d} e^{-2j\beta d}$

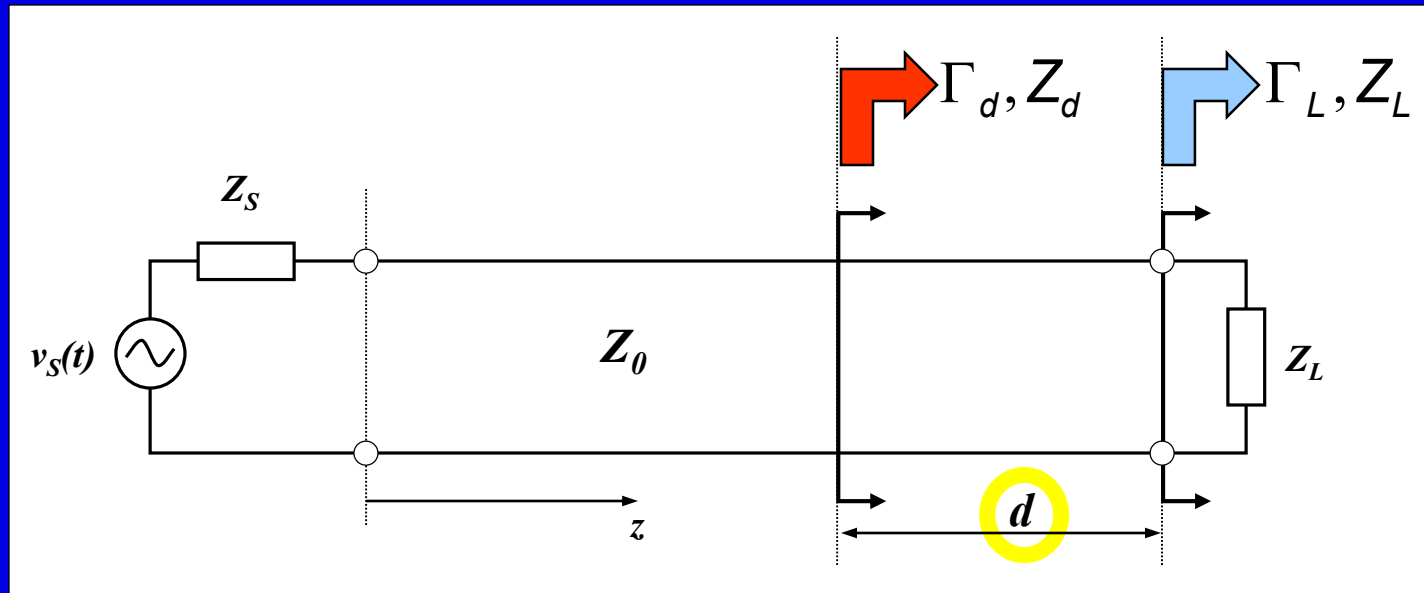
Lossless transmission line



Lossy transmission line

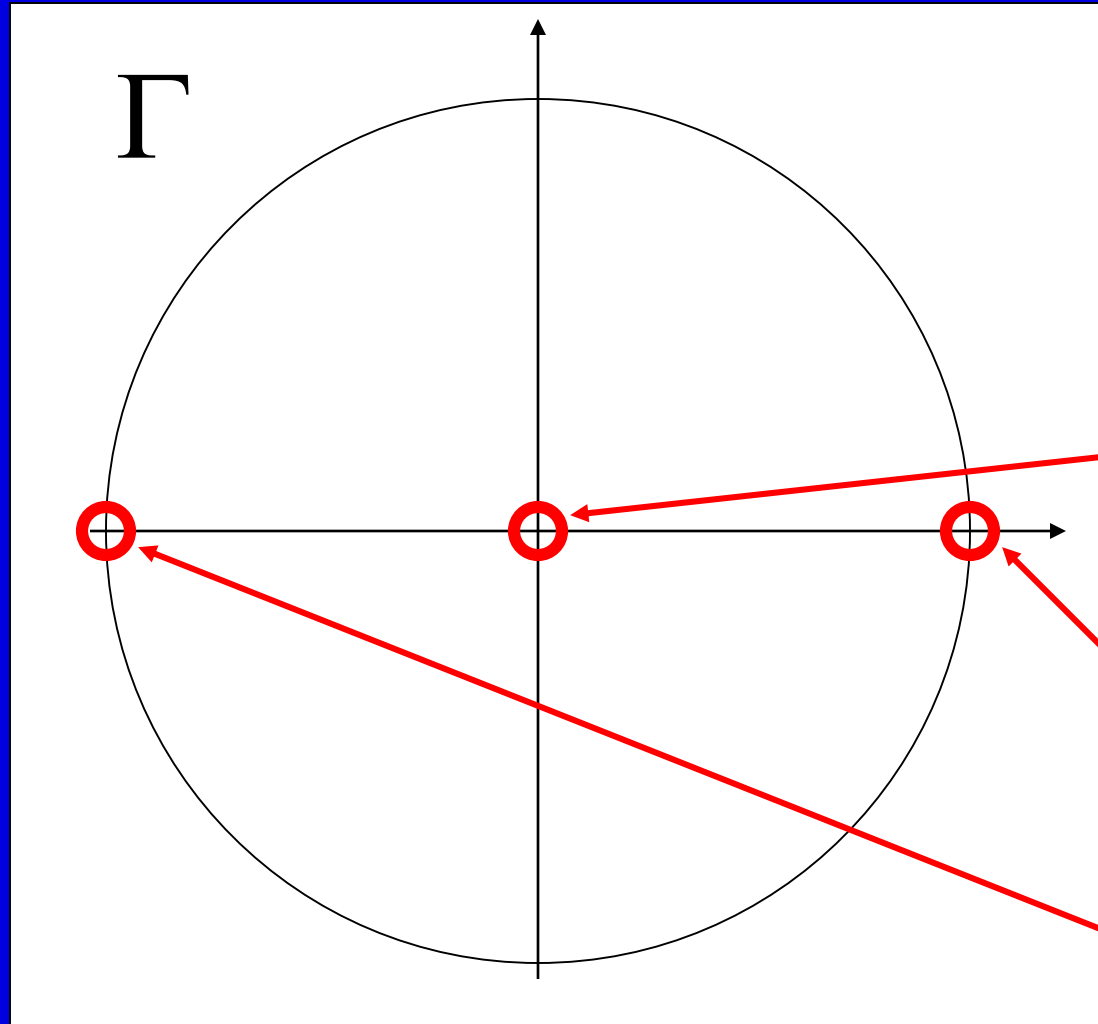


Conversion of Reflection Coefficient to Impedance



$$\Gamma_d = \frac{Z_d - Z_0}{Z_d + Z_0} \Leftrightarrow Z_d = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma_d}{1 - \Gamma_d}$$

Reflection Coefficient \Leftrightarrow Load Impedance



$$Z_L = Z_0 \frac{1 + \Gamma_L}{1 - \Gamma_L}$$

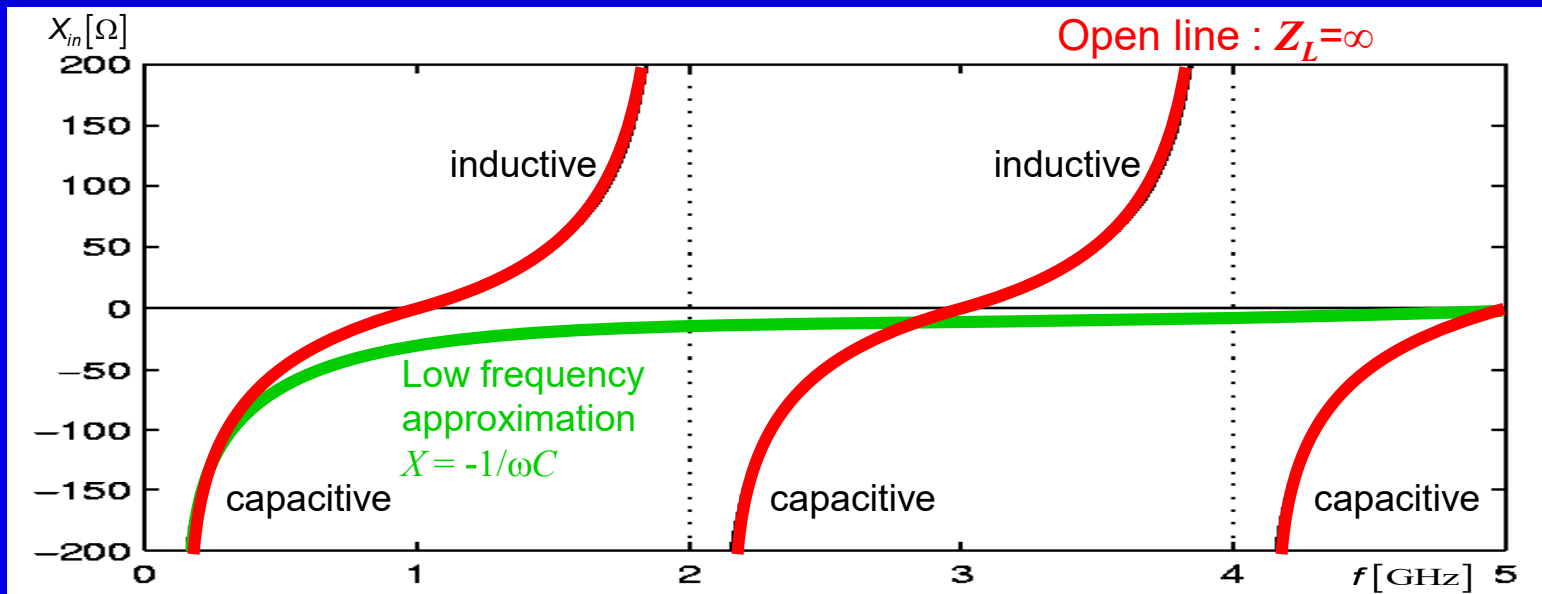
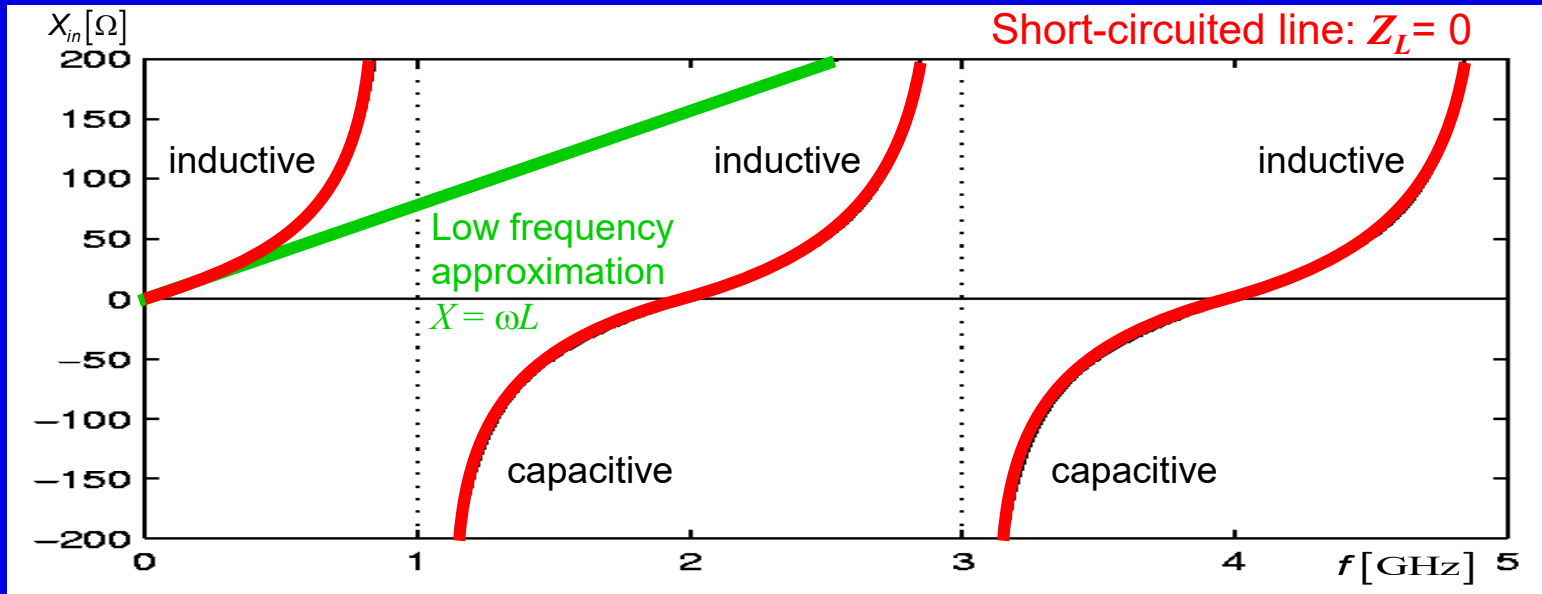
$$\Gamma_L = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$$

$$\Gamma_L = 0 \Leftrightarrow Z_L = Z_0$$

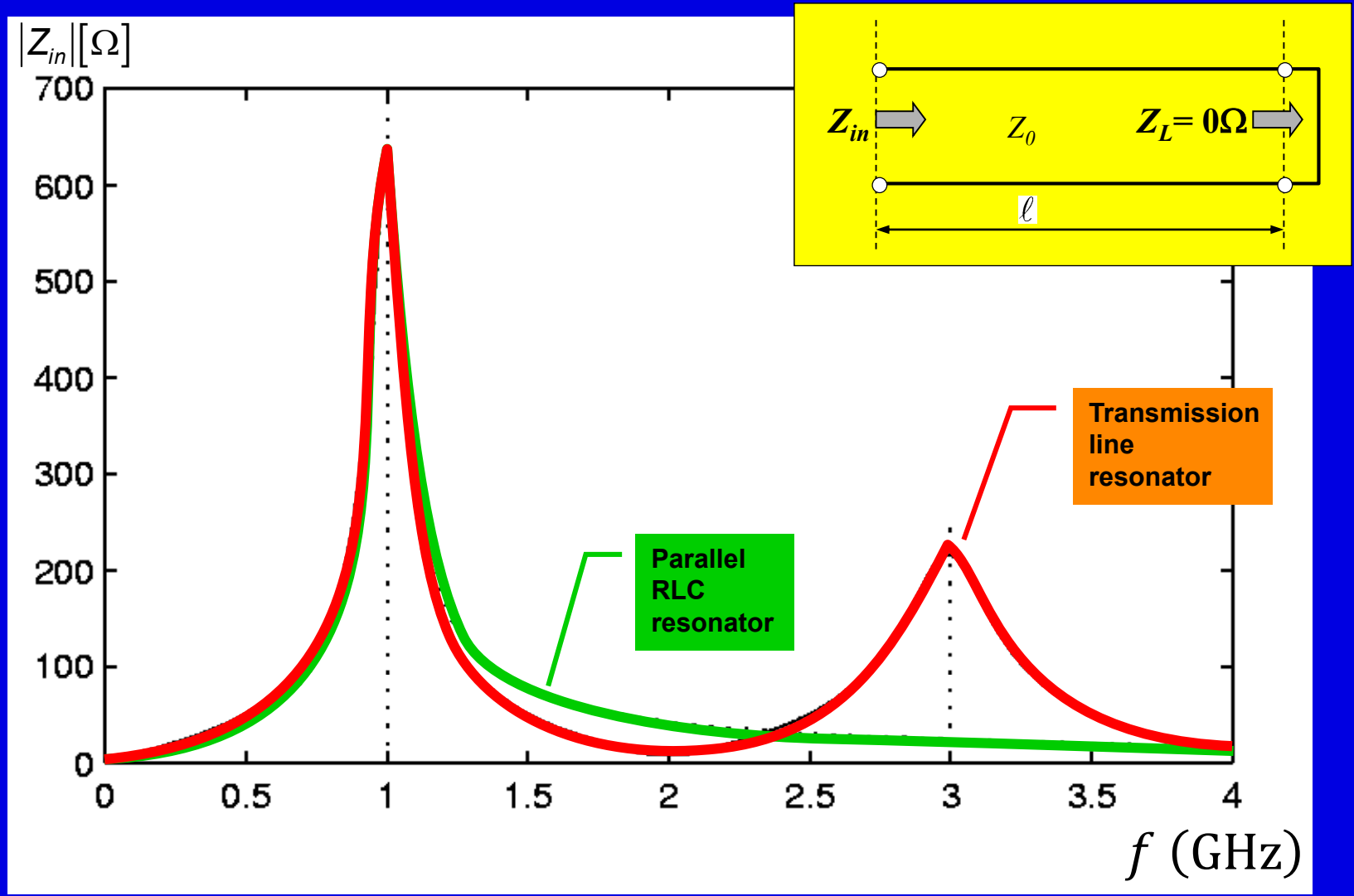
$$\Gamma_L = 1 \Leftrightarrow Z_L = \infty$$

$$\Gamma_L = -1 \Leftrightarrow Z_L = 0$$

Reactance of 1 GHz quarter-wavelength line resonator

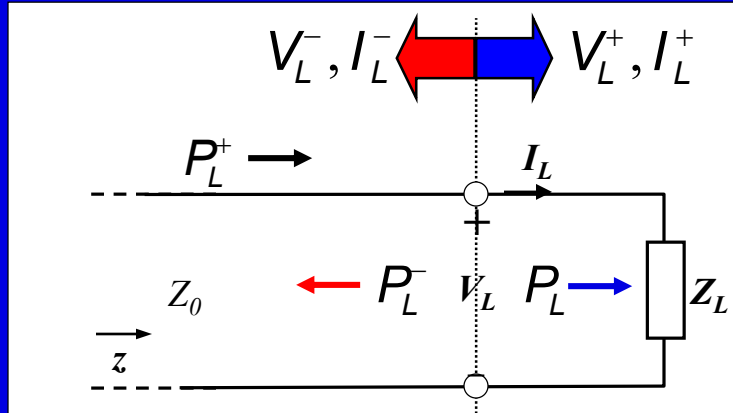


Impedance of 1 GHz quarter-wavelength line resonator



$l (\lambda/4)$

Waves and Power



- Power carried by the incident wave:

$$V^+, I^+ \Rightarrow P^+$$

$$V^-, I^- \Rightarrow P^-$$

- Power of the from Z_L reflected wave:

$$P_L^+ = \frac{1}{2} V_L^+ (I_L^+)^* = \frac{|V_L^+|^2}{2Z_0}$$

$$P_L^- = \frac{1}{2} V_L^- (I_L^-)^* = \frac{|V_L^-|^2}{2Z_0}$$

- Power transmitted to the load Z_L :
(power continuity)

$$P_L = P_L^+ - P_L^- = T_p P_L^+$$

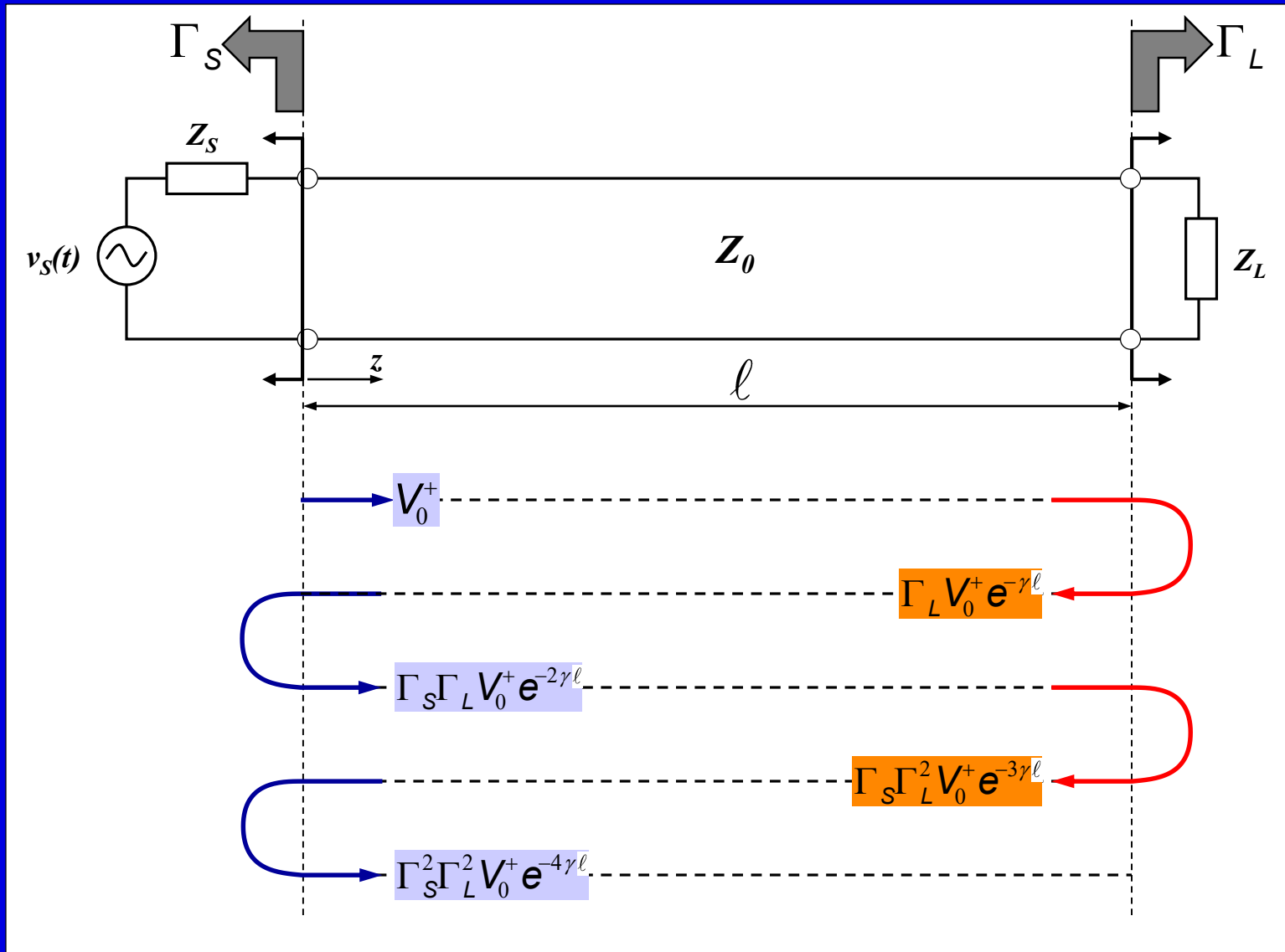
- Transmission factor:

$$T_p = 1 - \frac{|V_L^-|^2}{|V_L^+|^2} = 1 - |\Gamma_L|^2$$

- Mismatch loss:

$$L_m = -10 \log_{10}(T_p) = -10 \log_{10}(1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)$$

Multiple Reflection



Multiple Reflection

- Power transmitted to the load Z_L :

$$P_L = P_S e^{-2\alpha l} \frac{(1 - |\Gamma_S|^2)(1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)}{|1 - \Gamma_S \Gamma_L e^{-2\gamma l}|^2}$$

- where P_S denotes the *available power from source*:

$$P_S = \frac{|V_S|^2}{8 \operatorname{Re}[Z_S]}$$

