

HA # 4

This is in continuation to HA # 3.

In this assignment, you will move one step ahead and repeat the HA # 3 for the following cases and generate separate gerber file for all these cases.

- a) A Quarter-wave transformer
- b) A 4-section Binomial transformer
- c) A 4-section Chebychev transformer

Essentially, you can work on your HA # 3 and complete this assignment.

Assignment Scope

In this design, you will attempt to match a real load of $R_L = 20\Omega$ to a transmission line with a 50Ω characteristic impedance at a frequency of 6.0 GHz.

The **bandwidth** of the 4-section transformers is defined by $\Gamma_m = 0.1$. Assume TEM wave propagation in the transmission lines, and the transmission line dielectric constant is $\epsilon_r = 9.0$.

Assignment Tasks

- 1) **Complete** each all the tasks mentioned in HA # 3.
- 2) **Implement** each design on **MOMENTUM** tool. Once again, **analyze** the circuit by evaluating $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ from 0 to 12 GHz. **Display** the results as (make sure you use **enough frequency points—at least 100—in the analysis!**):
 - a. Smith Chart plot of $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$. Note this is a **parametric** plot of reflection coefficient in Γ as a function of **frequency**—not as a function position (i.e., **not** $\Gamma(z)$!).
 - b. Cartesian plot of $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ (i.e., **linear** scale) versus frequency, with a vertical scale from 0 to 1.0.

Q1: Do the plots indicate that your designs are correct? **Explain why** you think so. Give specific **numerical** examples!

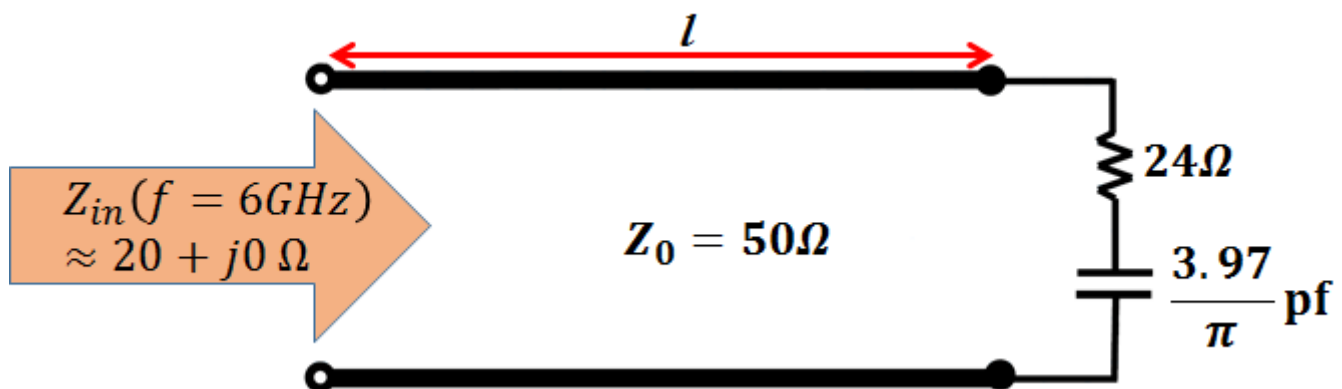
Q2: **Observe** the parametric plot $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ on the Smith Chart. Use the adjustable markers to **determine** at what **frequencies** the curve is **far** from the center of the chart, and at what **frequencies** the curve is **near** the center. Use your knowledge of the Smith Chart and matching networks to **explain why** this result makes sense.

Q3: Likewise **precisely determine** the **specific frequencies** at which the parametric Smith Chart plot of $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ is **precisely** at the center of the chart (i.e., the curve intersects the center point). **Explain why** this result makes sense. **Locate** these **same** specific frequencies on the **Cartesian** plot. **What** is the **values** of $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ at these frequencies? **Explain why** this result makes sense.

3) Use the adjustable **markers** on the plots to **determine** the **bandwidth** of each design, using the criterion $\Gamma_m = 0.1$.

Q4: You will find that the bandwidths of your design will not be exactly the bandwidths predicted by the design equations, and schematic simulation. Explain why that is. Hint: It is not because “ADS has errors”!

4) You will find that at $f = 6 \text{ GHz}$, the following device has an input impedance of approximately $Z_{in} \approx 20 + j0 \Omega$ if the length l is properly determined:



5) Determine the proper value for line length l . Now replace the 20Ω resistor with this 20Ω “load” shown above, and reanalyze (with ADS schematic and Momentum) each matching transformer design.

6) **Display** the results of this new load on the same three plots (with the same scale!) as described in step 3.

Q5: **Compare** and **contrast** these results with the 20 Ohm resistor plots for all the cases for all the three scenarios of design equations, schematic simulation, and Momentum

simulation. **How** are the results different? **Determine** the **specific** frequencies where the value of $\Gamma_{in}(\omega)$ is **precisely** the same for the three cases. **Explain why** this is true.

Q6: Use tuning and optimization to improve the results in Momentum so that these results come close to the results obtained in schematic simulation.

Q7: Generate gerber files for all the three optimized networks.