

## **Lecture-3**

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- Design Examples
- Lossless Transmission Line

## Review – Lecture 2

- **Telegrapher's Equations:**

$$\frac{\partial i(z,t)}{\partial z} = -Gv(z,t) - C \frac{\partial v(z,t)}{\partial t}$$

$$-\frac{\partial v(z,t)}{\partial z} = Ri(z,t) + L \frac{\partial i(z,t)}{\partial t}$$

- **The time-harmonic form of the telegrapher equations are:**

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{\partial \left( f(z) e^{j\varphi(z)} e^{j\omega t} \right)}{\partial z} = - \operatorname{Re} \left( R.g(z) e^{j\eta(z)} e^{j\omega t} + j\omega L.g(z) e^{j\eta(z)} e^{j\omega t} \right)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{\partial \left( g(z) e^{j\eta(z)} e^{j\omega t} \right)}{\partial z} = - \operatorname{Re} \left( G.f(z) e^{j\varphi(z)} e^{j\omega t} + j\omega C.f(z) e^{j\varphi(z)} e^{j\omega t} \right)$$

- **In phasor form:**

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{\partial \left( V(z) e^{j\omega t} \right)}{\partial z} = - \operatorname{Re} \left( RI(z) e^{j\omega t} + j\omega LI(z) e^{j\omega t} \right)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{\partial \left( I(z) e^{j\omega t} \right)}{\partial z} = - \operatorname{Re} \left( GV(z) e^{j\omega t} + j\omega CV(z) e^{j\omega t} \right)$$

## Review – Lecture 2

- The equations can be further simplified as:

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{d(V(z)e^{j\omega t})}{dz} = -\operatorname{Re}(RI(z)e^{j\omega t} + j\omega LI(z)e^{j\omega t})$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{d(I(z)e^{j\omega t})}{dz} = -\operatorname{Re}(GV(z)e^{j\omega t} + j\omega CV(z)e^{j\omega t})$$

As  $I(z)$  and  $V(z)$  are  
function of  
only position

Further  
simplified as

$$\frac{dV(z)}{dz} = -(R + j\omega L)I(z)$$

$$\frac{dI(z)}{dz} = -(G + j\omega C)V(z)$$

Differentiating  
with respect to  
 $z$  gives

$$\frac{d^2 V(z)}{dz^2} - \gamma^2 V(z) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 I(z)}{dz^2} - \gamma^2 I(z) = 0$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{(R + j\omega L)(G + j\omega C)}$$

## Review – Lecture 2

- For a lossless transmission line the second order differential equation for phasors are:

$$\frac{d^2 V(z)}{dz^2} + \beta^2 V(z) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 I(z)}{dz^2} + \beta^2 I(z) = 0$$

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{LC}$$

General Solution  
For Voltage Phasor

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

$V_0^+$  and  $V_0^-$  are  
complex constants

- Similarly the current phasor for a lossless line can be described:

$$\therefore I(z) = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} e^{-j\beta z} - \frac{V_0^-}{Z_0} e^{j\beta z}$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{\omega L}{\beta} = \frac{\omega L}{\omega \sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

## Review – Lecture 2

- For the simple case of  $V_0^+$  and  $V_0^-$  being real, the voltage and current along the transmission line can be expressed as:

$$v(z, t) = V_0^+ \cos(\omega t - \beta z) + V_0^- \cos(\omega t + \beta z)$$

$$i(z, t) = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} \cos(\omega t - \beta z) - \frac{V_0^-}{Z_0} \cos(\omega t + \beta z)$$

- TL Parameters:

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



**spatial frequency**



$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{LC}$$

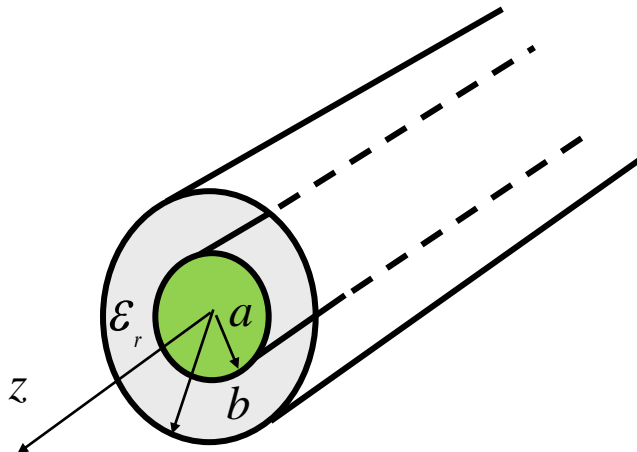
$$v_p = \frac{\omega}{\beta} = \frac{\omega}{\omega \sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$



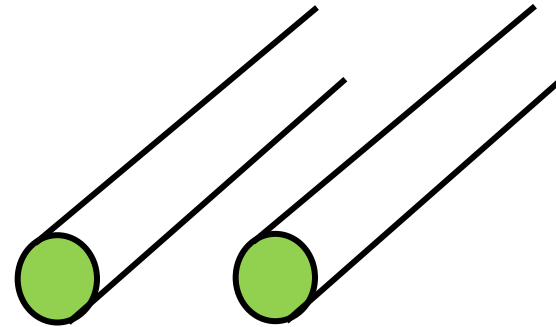
**Phase Velocity**

## Example of Transmission Lines

Two common examples:



coaxial cable

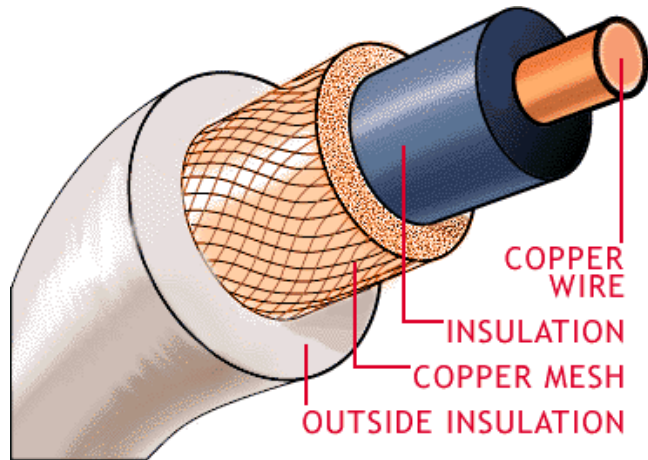


twin line

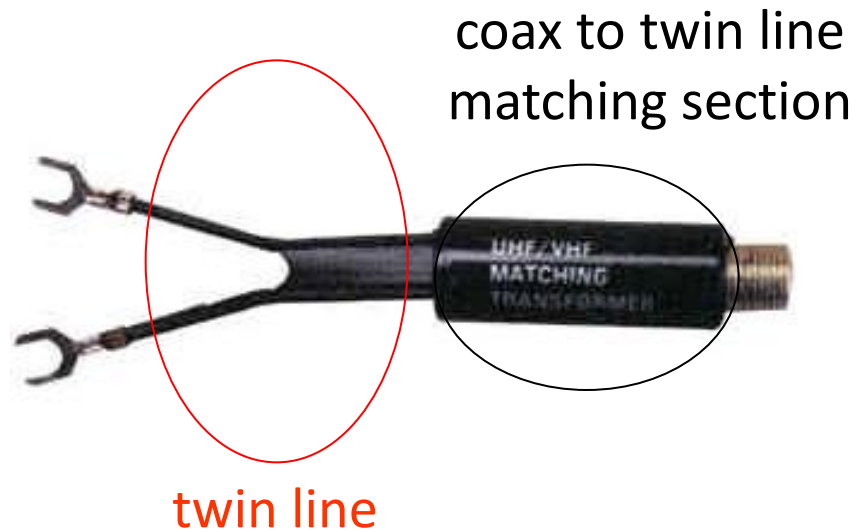
A transmission line is normally used in the **balanced mode**, meaning equal and opposite currents (and charges) on the two conductors.

## Example of Transmission Lines (contd.)

Here's what they look like in real-life:

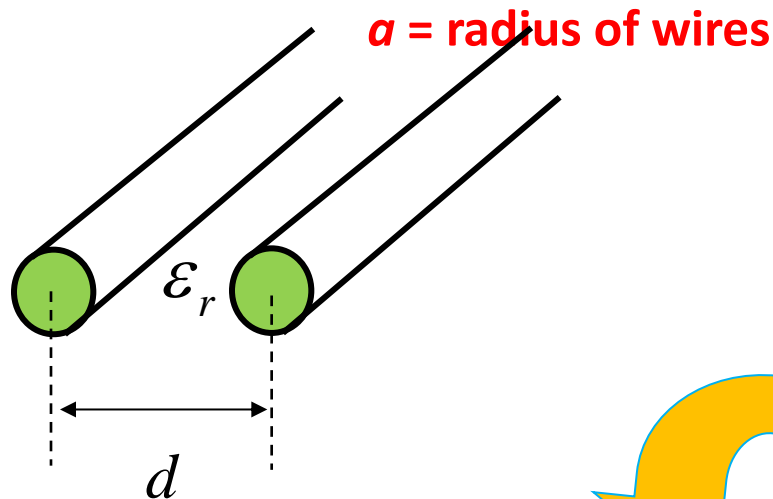


coaxial



## Example of Transmission Lines (contd.)

### Twin Line



$$C = \frac{\pi \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}{\cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{2a} \right)} \quad [\text{F/m}]$$

$$L = \frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{2a} \right) \quad [\text{H/m}]$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \eta_0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{2a} \right) \quad [\Omega]$$

$$\cosh^{-1} x = \ln \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \right) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln 2x$$

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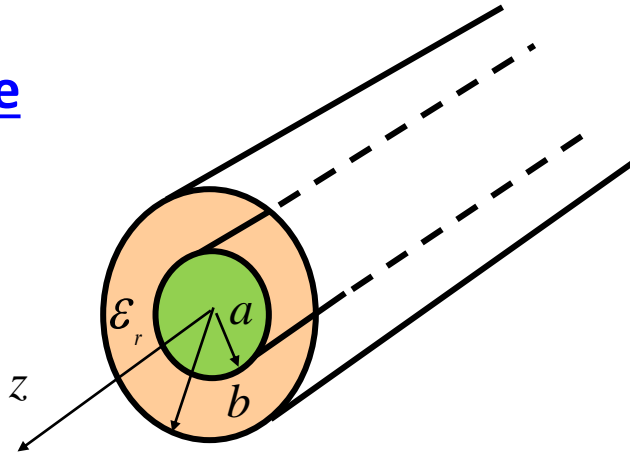
$$Z_0 \approx \frac{1}{\pi} \eta_0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \ln \left( \frac{d}{a} \right) \quad [\Omega]$$

$a \ll d$



## Example of Transmission Lines (contd.)

### Coaxial Cable



$\sigma_d$  = conductivity of dielectric [S/m].

$\sigma_m$  = conductivity of metal [S/m].

$$C = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r}{\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)} \quad [\text{F/m}]$$

$$G = \frac{2\pi\sigma_d}{\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)} \quad [\text{S/m}]$$

$$L = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \quad [\text{H/m}]$$

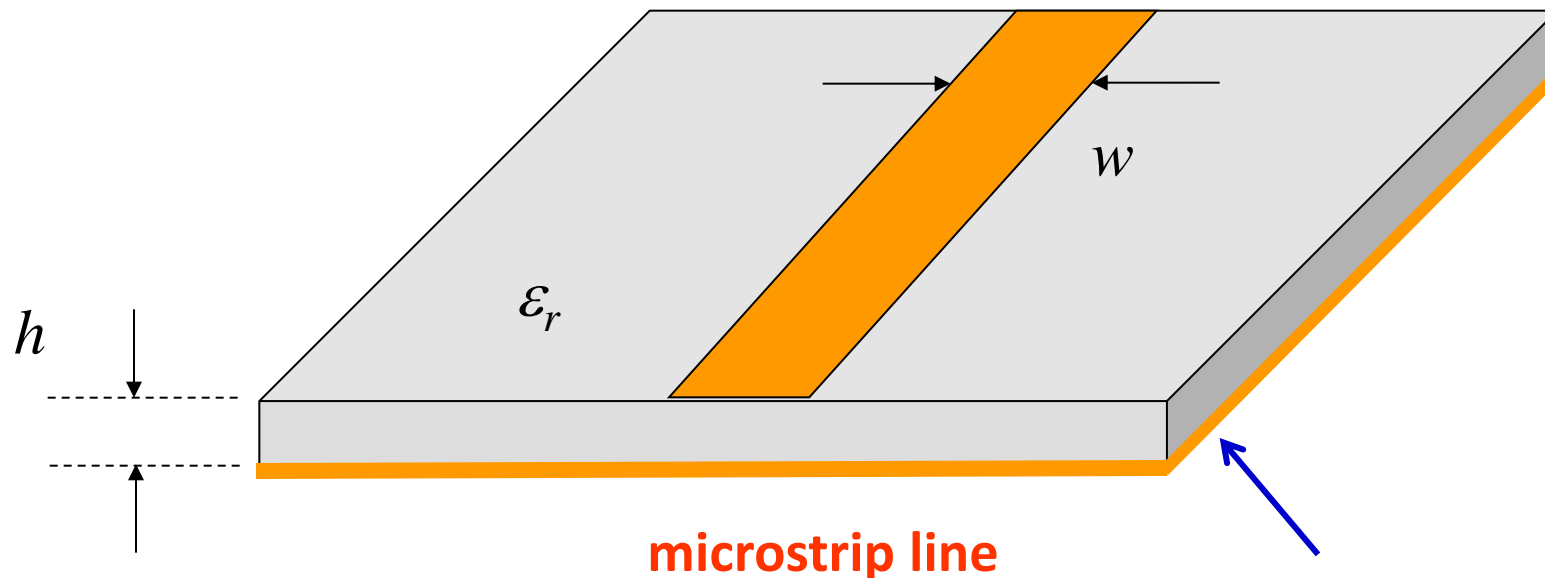
$$R = \frac{1}{\sigma_m \delta} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi a} + \frac{1}{2\pi b} \right) \quad [\Omega/\text{m}]$$

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$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega\mu\sigma_m}} \quad (\text{skin depth of metal})$$

## Example of Transmission Lines (contd.)

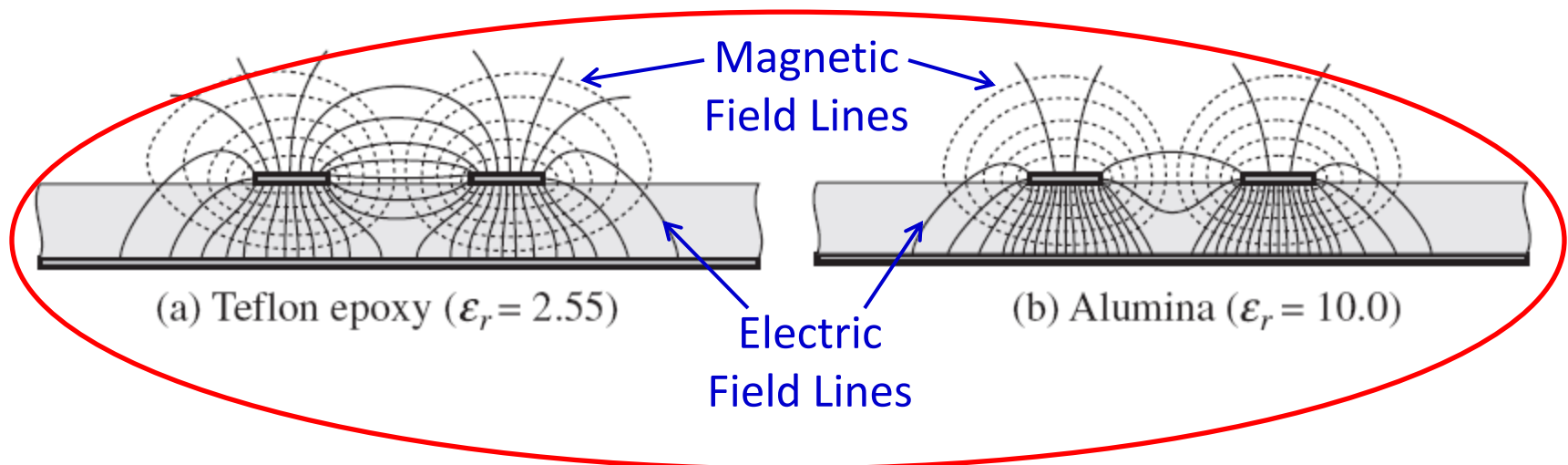
Another common example (for printed circuit boards):



Ground plane helps in preventing the field leakage and thus reduces the radiation loss

## Microstrip Line (contd.)

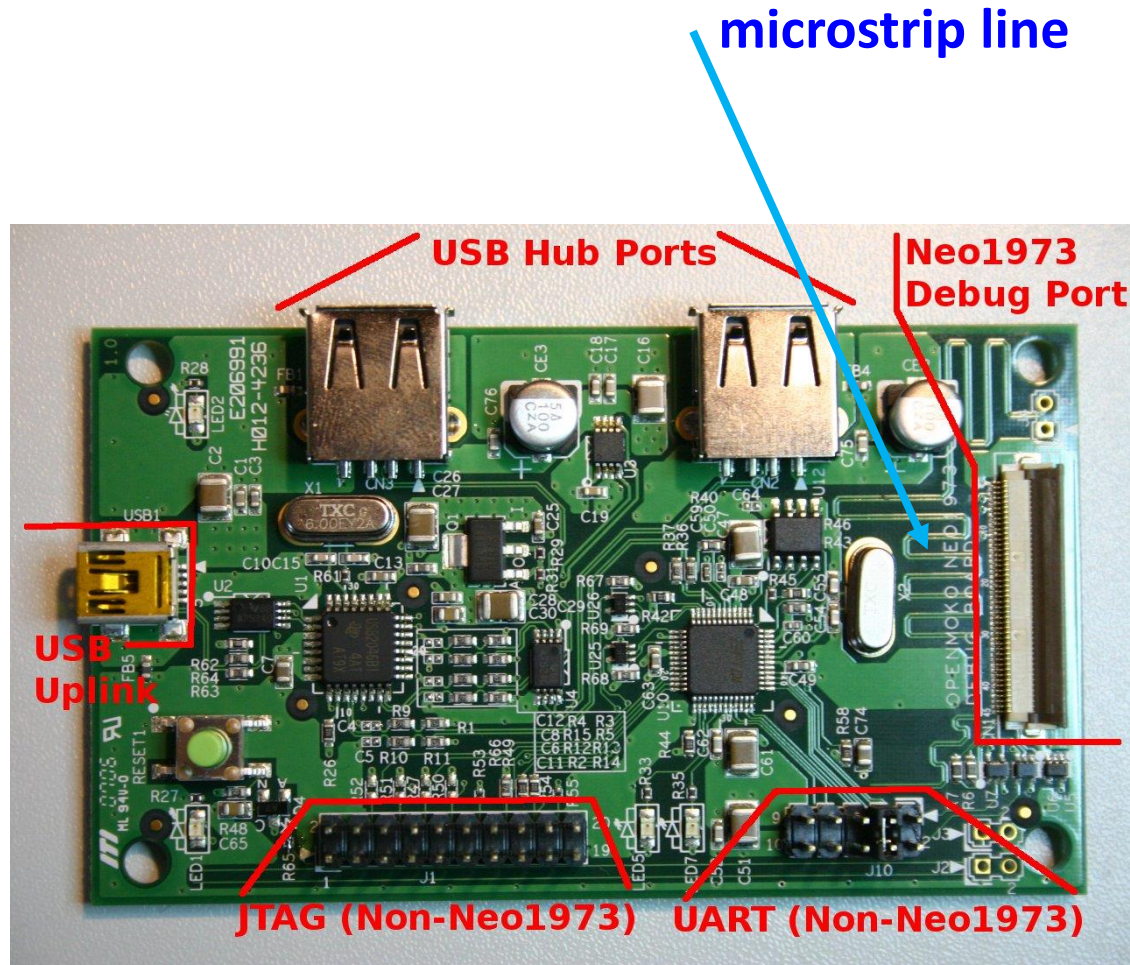
- The severity of field leakage also depends on the relative dielectric constants ( $\epsilon_r$ ).



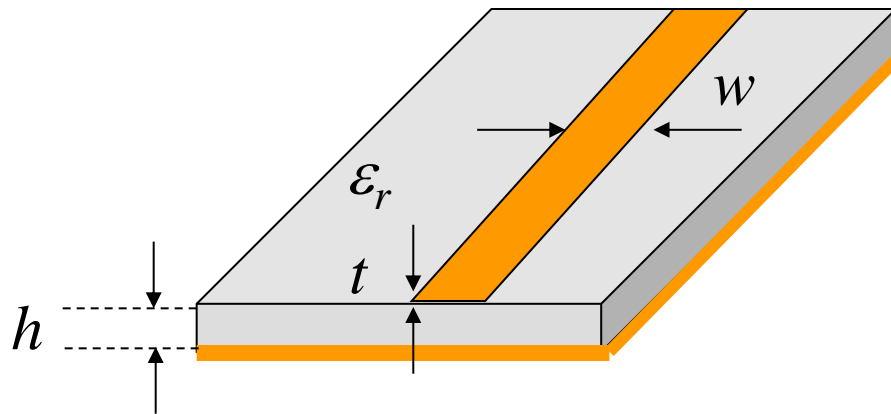
**It is apparent that the radiation loss could be minimized by using substrates with high dielectric constants**

- Alternative approaches to reduce radiation loss and interference are shielded microstrip line and multi-layer boards

## Microstrip Line (contd.)



# Microstrip Transmission Lines Design



- Simple parallel plate model can not accurately define this structure.
- Because, if the substrate thickness increases or the conductor width decreases then fringing field become more prominent (and therefore need to be incorporated in the model).

## Case-I: thickness (t) of the line is negligible

- For narrow microstrips ( $w/h \leq 1$ ):  $Z_0 = \frac{Z_f}{2\pi\sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}} \ln\left(8\frac{h}{w} + \frac{w}{4h}\right)$

Where,  $Z_f = \sqrt{\mu_0 / \epsilon_0} = 377\Omega$   wave impedance in free space

$$\epsilon_{eff} = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \left[ \left(1 + 12\frac{h}{w}\right)^{-1/2} + 0.004\left(1 - \frac{w}{h}\right)^2 \right] \quad \leftarrow \text{Effective Dielectric Constant}$$

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)

- For wide microstrips ( $w/h \geq 1$ ):

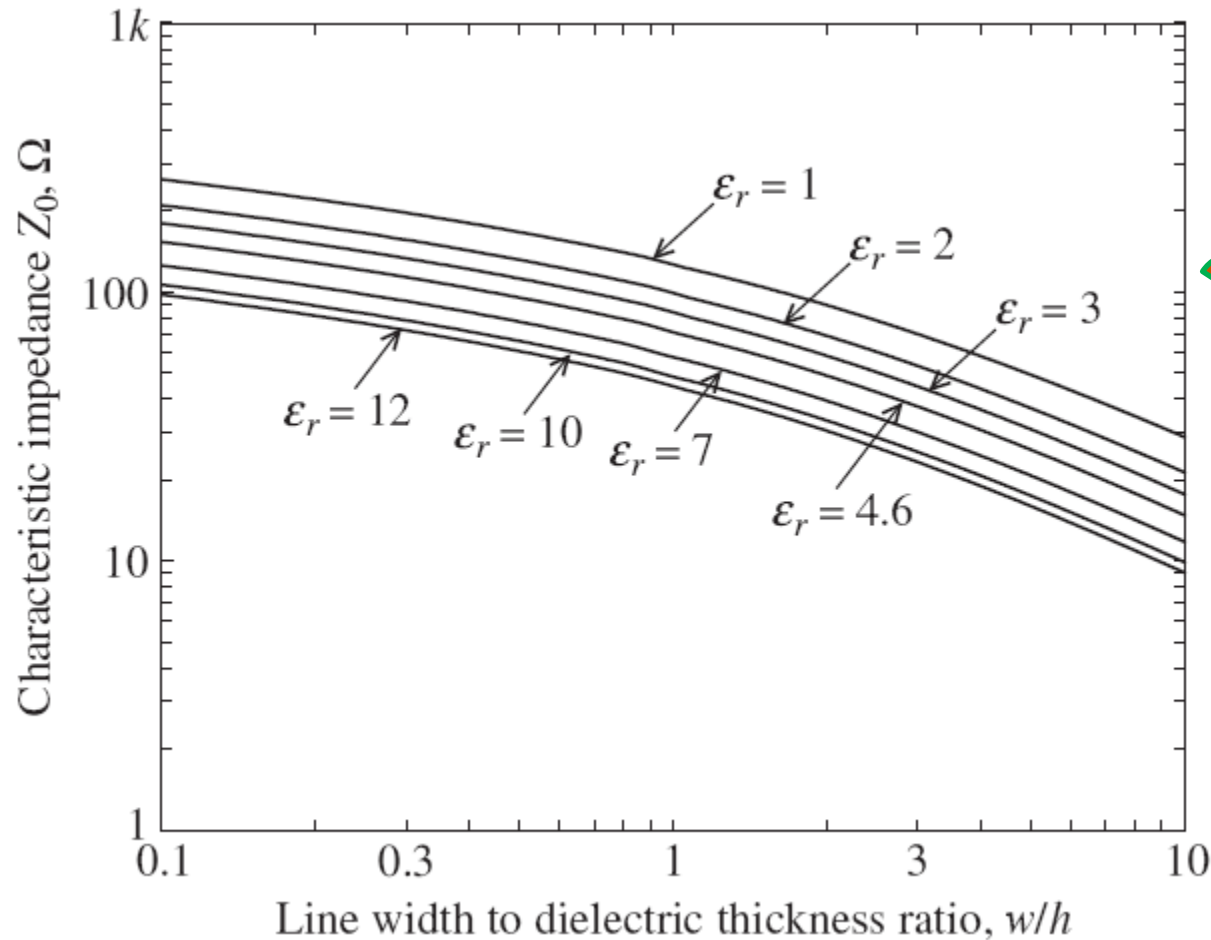
$$Z_0 = \frac{Z_f}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}} \left( 1.393 + \frac{w}{h} + \frac{2}{3} \ln \left( \frac{w}{h} + 1.444 \right) \right)}$$

- Where the effective dielectric constant is expressed as:

$$\epsilon_{eff} = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \left( 1 + 12 \frac{h}{w} \right)^{-1/2}$$

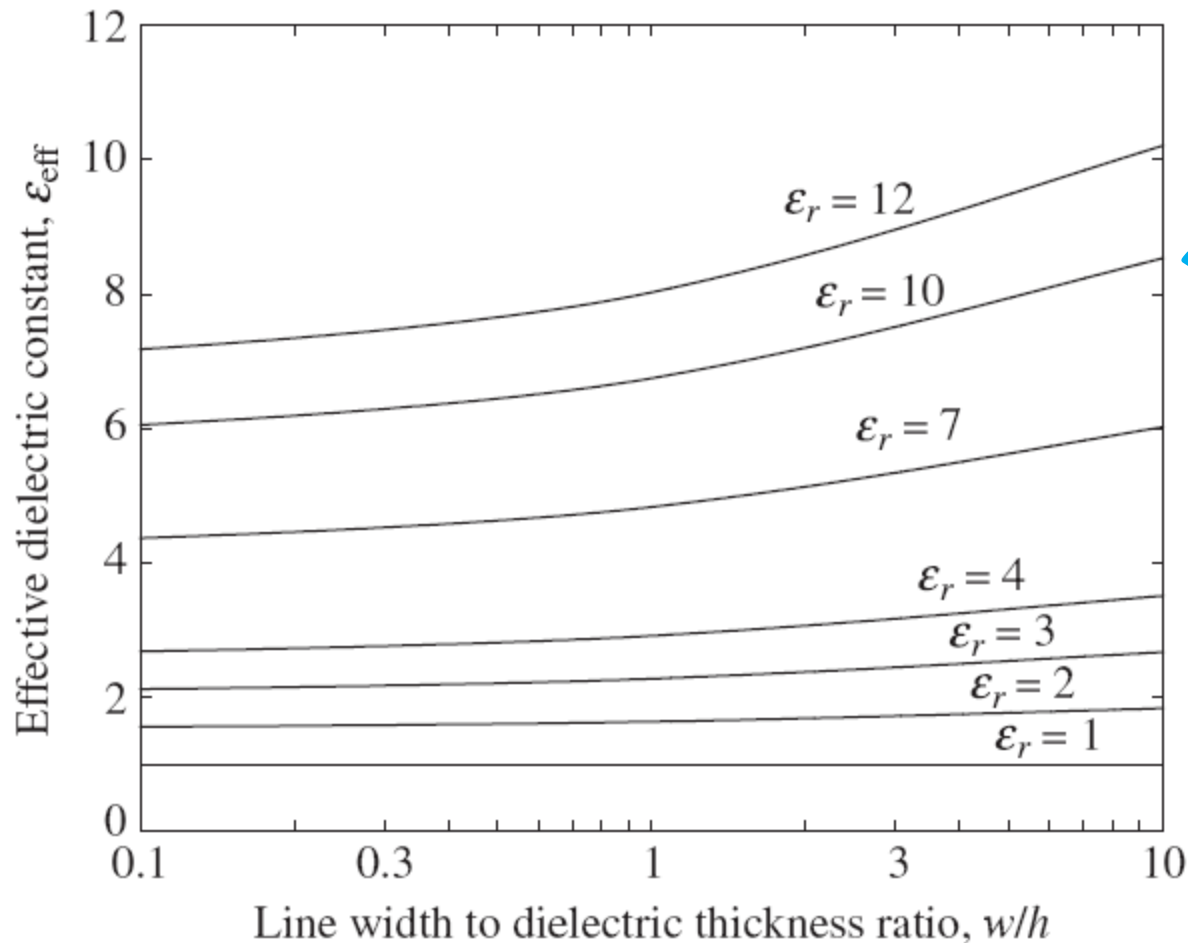
- The two distinct expressions give approximate values of characteristic impedance and effective dielectric constant for narrow and wide strip microstrip lines → these can be used to plot  $Z_0$  and  $\epsilon_{eff}$  as a function of  $w/h$ .

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)



For a desired characteristic impedance using known substrate, the dimension  $w/h$  can be identified from this curve

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)



Once the line dimensions are known, the effective dielectric constant can be identified



## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)

- The effective dielectric constant ( $\epsilon_{eff}$ ) is viewed as the dielectric constant of a homogenous material that fills the entire space around the line. Therefore:

$$\lambda = \frac{v_p}{f} = \frac{c}{f \sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}} = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}}$$

Speed of Light (pointing to  $c$ )      Free Space Wavelength (pointing to  $\lambda_0$ )

- The wavelength in the microstrip line for  $W/h \geq 0.6$  is:

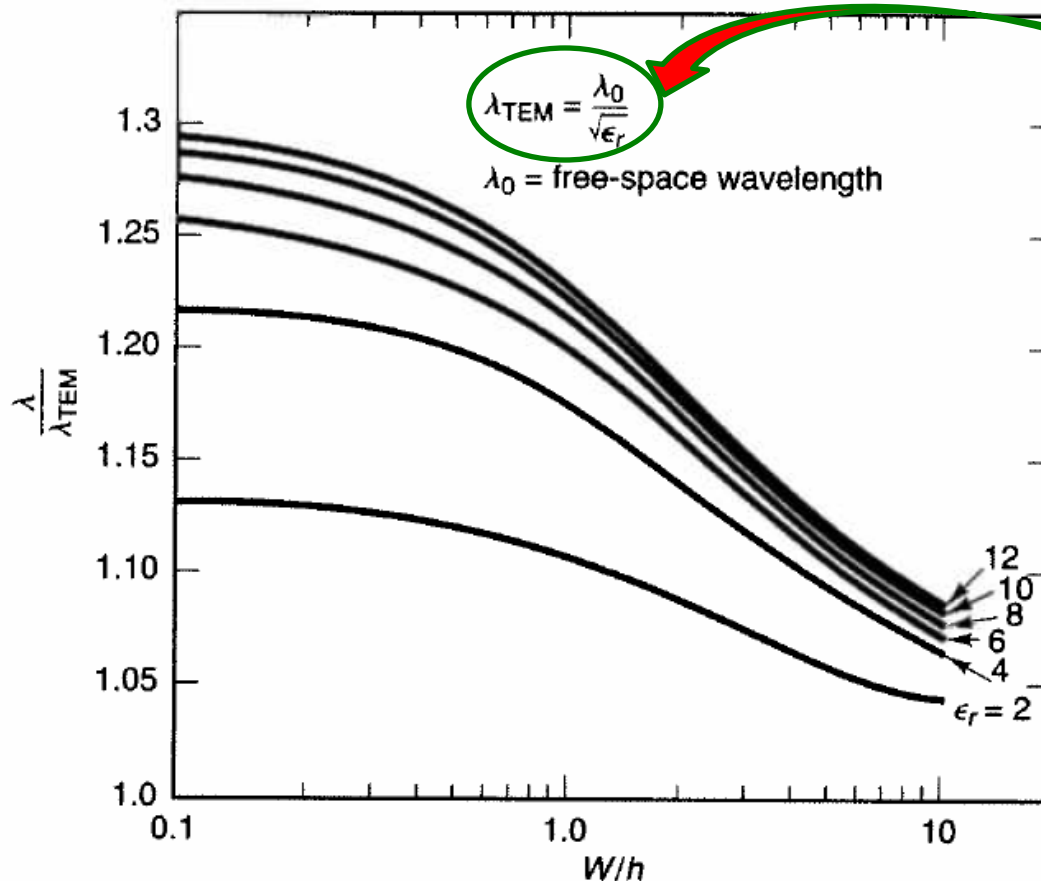
$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \left[ \frac{\epsilon_r}{1 + 0.63(\epsilon_r - 1)(W/h)^{0.1255}} \right]^{1/2}$$

- The wavelength in the microstrip line for  $W/h \leq 0.6$  is:

$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \left[ \frac{\epsilon_r}{1 + 0.6(\epsilon_r - 1)(W/h)^{0.0297}} \right]^{1/2}$$

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)

- In some specifications, wavelength is known. In that case following curve can be used to identify the  $w/h$  ratio.



It is a good approximation at lower microwave frequencies. However, at higher microwave frequencies this assumption is no more valid.

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)

- If  $Z_0$  and  $\epsilon_r$  is specified or known, following expression can be used to determine  $w/h$ :

**For  $w/h \leq 2$ :**

$$\frac{w}{h} = \frac{8e^A}{e^{2A} - 2}$$

**Where:**

$$A = 2\pi \frac{Z_0}{Z_f} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2}} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} \left( 0.23 + \frac{0.11}{\epsilon_r} \right)$$

**For  $w/h \geq 2$ :**

$$\frac{w}{h} = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( B - 1 - \ln(2B - 1) + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2\epsilon_r} \left[ \ln(B - 1) + 0.39 - \frac{0.61}{\epsilon_r} \right] \right)$$

**Where:**

$$B = \frac{Z_f \pi}{2Z_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_r}}$$

## Microstrip Transmission Lines Design (contd.)

**Case-II:** thickness ( $t$ ) of the line is not negligible  $\rightarrow$  in this scenario all the formulas are valid with the assumption that the effective width of the line increases as:

$$w_{eff} = w + \frac{t}{\pi} \left( 1 + \ln \frac{2x}{t} \right)$$

Where  $x = h$  if  $w > h/2\pi$  or  $x = 2\pi w$  if  $h/2\pi > w > 2t$

## Example – 1

A microstrip material with  $\epsilon_r = 10$  and  $h = 1.016 \text{ mm}$  is used to build a narrow transmission line. Determine the width for the microstrip transmission line to have a characteristic impedance of  $50\Omega$ . Also determine the wavelength and the effective relative dielectric constant of the microstrip line.

### Using the Formulas:

Let us consider the first formula:

$$\frac{w}{h} = \frac{8e^A}{e^{2A} - 2}$$

$$A = 2\pi \frac{Z_0}{Z_f} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2}} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} \left( 0.23 + \frac{0.11}{\epsilon_r} \right) = 2\pi \frac{50}{377} \sqrt{\frac{10 + 1}{2}} + \frac{10 - 1}{10 + 1} \left( 0.23 + \frac{0.11}{10} \right)$$


$$\Rightarrow A = 2.1515$$

$$\text{Therefore: } \frac{w}{h} = \frac{8e^{2.1515}}{e^{2(2.1515)} - 2} = 0.9563$$


**Now:**  $h = 1.016 \text{ mm} = 0.1016 \text{ cm} = 0.1016(1000/2.54) \text{ mils} = 40 \text{ mils}$

$$\therefore w = 0.9563 * 40 \text{ mils} = 38.2 \text{ mils}$$

**Example – 1 (contd.)**


$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \left[ \frac{\epsilon_r}{1 + 0.63(\epsilon_r - 1)(w/h)^{0.1255}} \right]^{1/2}$$

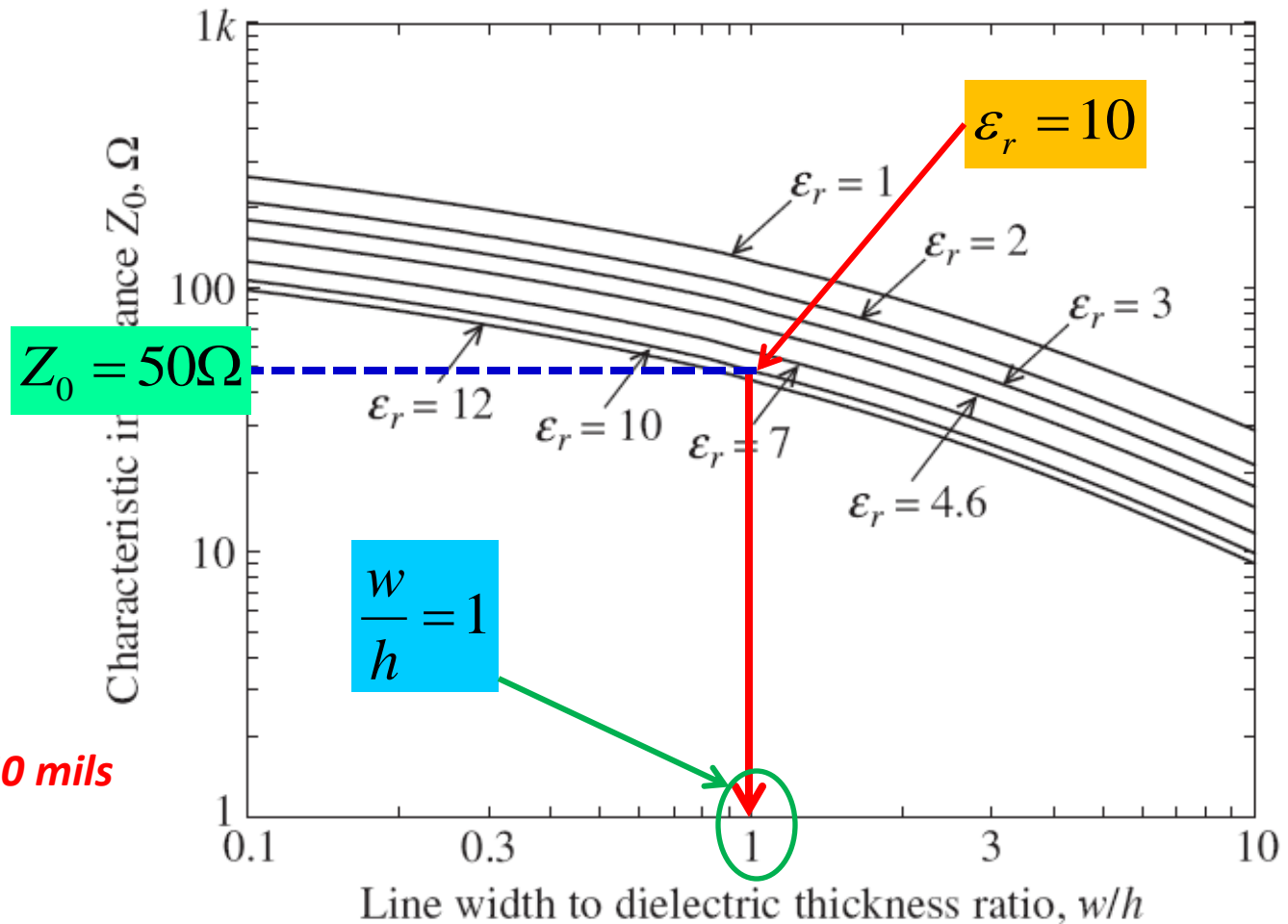
$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{10}} \left[ \frac{10}{1 + 0.63(10 - 1)(0.9563)^{0.1255}} \right]^{1/2} = 0.387 \lambda_0$$


$$\lambda = \frac{v_p}{f} = \frac{c}{f \sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}} = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}} \Rightarrow \epsilon_{eff} = \left( \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda} \right)^2$$

$$\therefore \epsilon_{eff} = \left( \frac{1}{0.387} \right)^2 = 6.68$$

## Example – 1 (contd.)

### Using the Design Curves

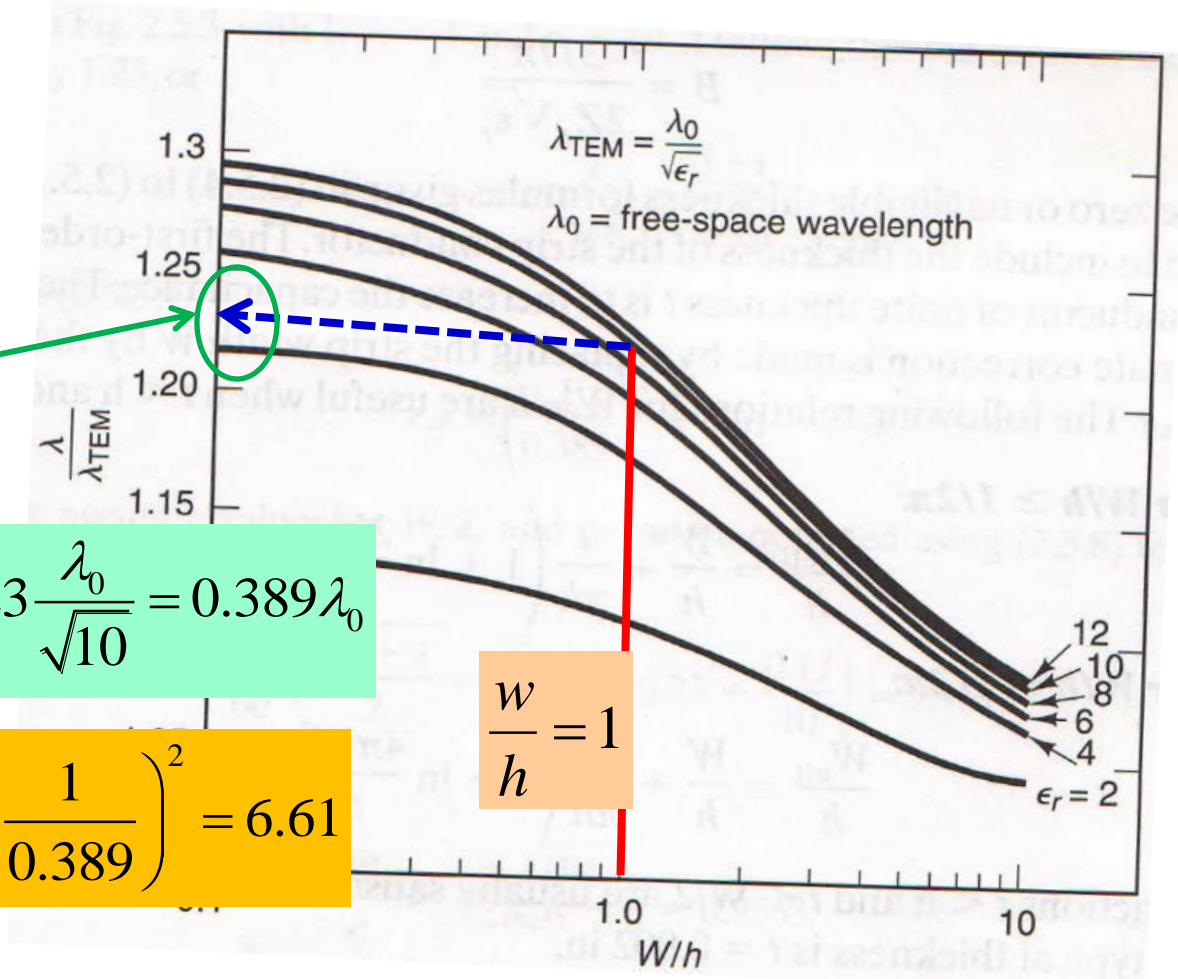


$h = 1.016 \text{ mm} = 40 \text{ mils}$

$\Rightarrow w = 40 \text{ mils}$

## Example – 1 (contd.)

### Using the Design Curves



$$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_{TEM}} = 1.23$$

$$\lambda = 1.23 \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} = 1.23 \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{10}} = 0.389 \lambda_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_{eff} = \left( \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{1}{0.389} \right)^2 = 6.61$$

$$\frac{w}{h} = 1$$



## Example – 2

- a. Using the design curves, calculate  $W$ ,  $\lambda$ , and  $\epsilon_{eff}$  for a characteristic impedance of  $50\Omega$  using RT/Duroid with  $\epsilon_r = 2.23$  and  $h = 0.7874 \text{ mm}$ .
- b. Use design equations to show that for RT/Duroid with  $\epsilon_r = 2.23$  and  $h = 0.7874 \text{ mm}$ , a  $50\Omega$ -characteristic impedance is obtained with  $W/h = 3.073$ . Also show,  $\epsilon_{eff} = 1.91$  and  $\lambda = 0.7236\lambda_0$ .

## Lossless Transmission Line

- For a lossless transmission line the second order differential equation for phasors are:

$$\frac{d^2 V(z)}{dz^2} + \beta^2 V(z) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 I(z)}{dz^2} + \beta^2 I(z) = 0$$

$$\beta = \omega \sqrt{LC}$$

General Solution  
For Voltage Phasor

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

$V_0^+$  and  $V_0^-$  are  
complex constants

- Similarly the current phasor for a lossless line can be described:

$$\therefore I(z) = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} e^{-j\beta z} - \frac{V_0^-}{Z_0} e^{j\beta z}$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{\omega L}{\beta} = \frac{\omega L}{\omega \sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

## Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

We now know that a **lossless** transmission line is **completely** characterized by **real** constants  $Z_0$  and  $\beta$ .

Likewise, the **2 waves** propagating on a transmission line are **completely** characterized by **complex** constants  $V_0^+$  and  $V_0^-$ .

**Q:**  $Z_0$  and  $\beta$  are determined from  $L$ ,  $C$ , and  $\omega$ . How do we find  $V_0^+$  and  $V_0^-$ ?

**A:** Apply **Boundary Conditions**!

Every transmission line has **2** “boundaries”:

- 1)** At one end of the transmission line.
- 2)** At the **other** end of the trans line!

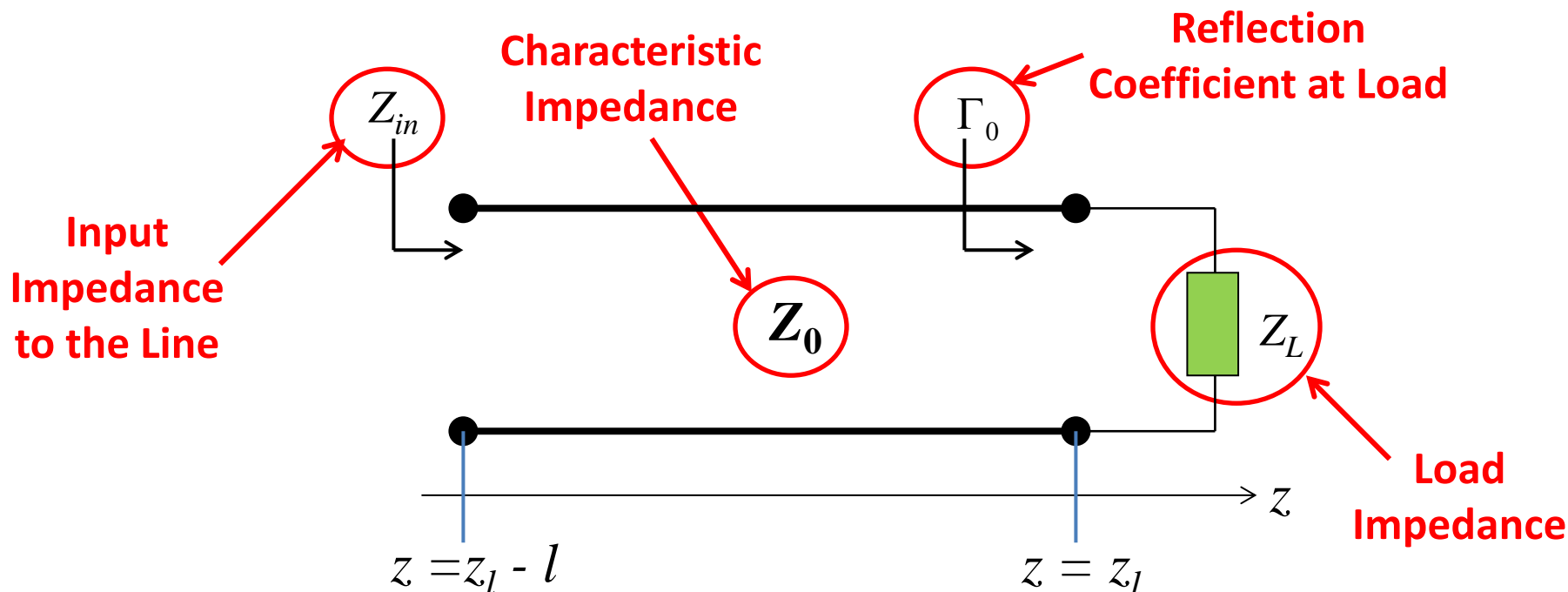
Typically, there is a **source** at one end of the line, and a **load** at the other.

→ The purpose of the transmission line is to get power **from** the source, **to** the load!

Let's apply the **load** boundary condition!

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line

- Now let's **attach** something to our transmission line. Consider a **lossless** line, length  $l$ , terminated with a **load**  $Z_L$ .

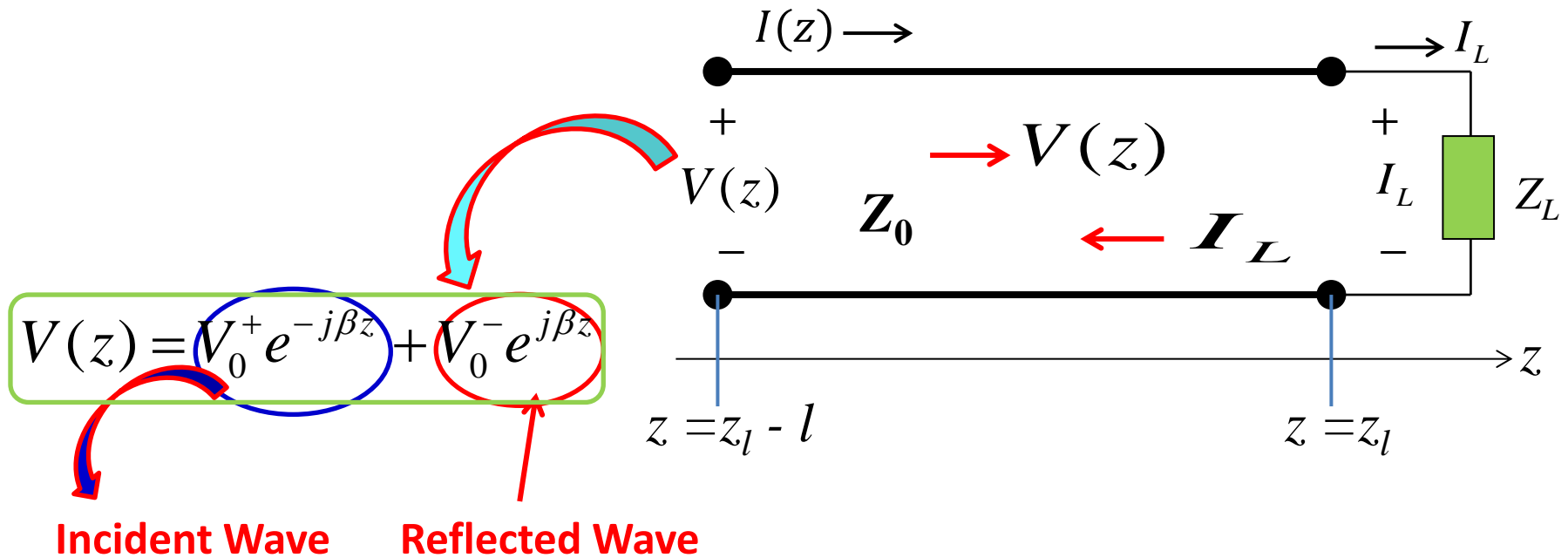


**Q:** What is the **current** and **voltage** at each and **every** point on the transmission line (i.e., what is  $I(z)$  and  $V(z)$  for **all** points  $z$  where  $z_l - l < z < z_l$ ).

**A:** To find out, we must apply **boundary conditions**!

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

- The load is assumed at  $z = z_l$
- The voltage wave couples into the line at  $z = z_l - l$



- At the load:** the voltage and current must be consistent with a valid transmission line solution:

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

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

$$I(z = z_l) = \frac{V^+(z = z_l)}{Z_0} - \frac{V^-(z = z_l)}{Z_0} = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} e^{-j\beta z_l} - \frac{V_0^-}{Z_0} e^{j\beta z_l}$$

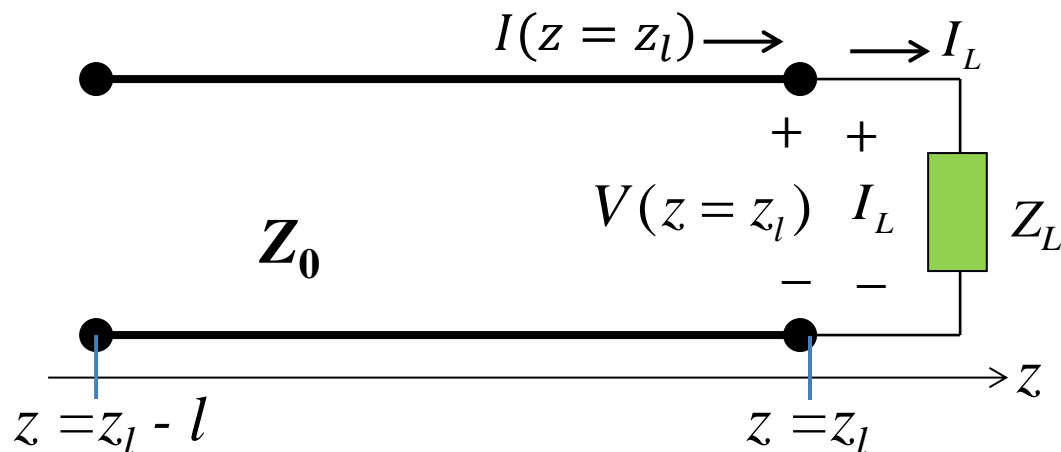
- Furthermore, the load voltage and current must be related by **Ohm's law**:

$$V_L = Z_L I_L$$

- Most importantly, we recognize that the values  $I(z = z_l)$ ,  $V(z = z_l)$  and  $I_L$ ,  $V_L$  are **not** independent, but in fact are strictly related by **Kirchoff's Laws**!

$$V(z = z_l) = V_L$$

$$I(z = z_l) = I_L$$



## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

So now we have the **boundary conditions** for **this** particular problem.



**Careful!** Different transmission line problems lead to **different** boundary conditions—**you** must assess each problem **individually** and **independently**!

- **Combining** these equations and boundary conditions, we find that:

$$V(z = z_l) = V_L = Z_L I_L = Z_L I(z = z_l)$$

$$V^+(z = z_l) + V^-(z = z_l) = \frac{Z_L}{Z_0} (V^+(z = z_l) - V^-(z = z_l))$$

- Rearranging, we can conclude:

$$\frac{V^-(z = z_l)}{V^+(z = z_l)} = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$$

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

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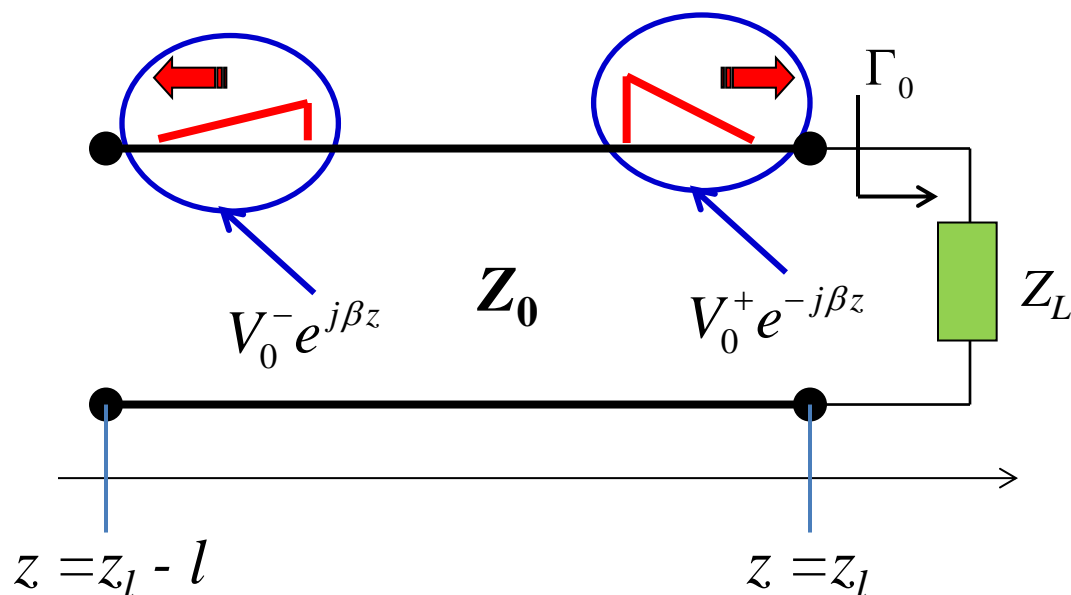
ratio of reflected to incident  
voltage wave

**Voltage Reflection Coefficient  $\Gamma(z = z_l)$**

also holds true for current  
wave but with opposite sign

This value is of **fundamental** importance for the terminated transmission line problem, so we provide it with its **own** special symbol ( $\Gamma_0$ )!

$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{V^-(z = z_l)}{V^+(z = z_l)}$$





## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

- Therefore:

$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{V^-(z = z_l)}{V^+(z = z_l)}$$



$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$$



More useful representation as it involves known  
circuit/system quantities

**Q:** I'm confused! Just what are we trying to accomplish in this handout?

**A:** We are trying to find  $V(z)$  and  $I(z)$  when a lossless transmission line is terminated by a load  $Z_L$ !



## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

- We can express the reflected voltage wave as:

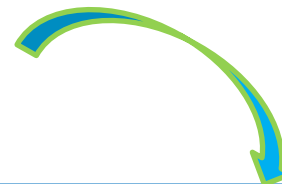
$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{V^-(z = z_l)}{V^+(z = z_l)} = \frac{V_0^- e^{+j\beta z_l}}{V_0^+ e^{-j\beta z_l}}$$



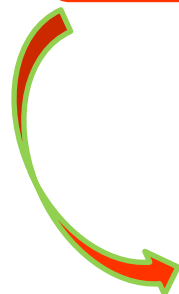
$$V_0^- = \Gamma_0 V_0^+ e^{-j2\beta z_l}$$

- Therefore:

$$V^-(z) = \left( \Gamma_0 V_0^+ e^{-j2\beta z_l} \right) e^{+j\beta z}$$



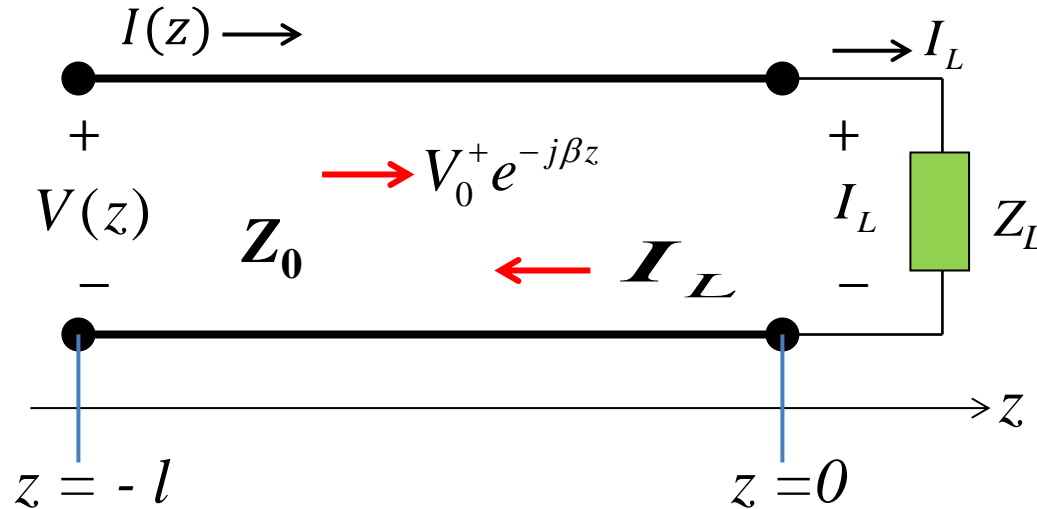
$$V(z) = V^+(z) + V^-(z) = V_0^+ \left[ e^{-j\beta z} + \left( \Gamma_0 e^{-j2\beta z_l} \right) e^{+j\beta z} \right]$$



$$I(z) = \frac{V^+(z) - V^-(z)}{Z_0} = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} \left[ e^{-j\beta z} - \left( \Gamma_0 e^{-j2\beta z_l} \right) e^{+j\beta z} \right]$$

we can further **simplify** our analysis by **arbitrarily** assigning the end point  $z_l$  a **zero** value (i.e.,  $z_l = 0$ )

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)



$$V(z=0) = V^+(z=0) + V^-(z=0) = V_0^+ e^{-j\beta(0)} + V_0^- e^{+j\beta(0)} = V_0^+ + V_0^-$$

$$I(z=0) = \frac{V_0^+ - V_0^-}{Z_0}$$

$$Z(z=0) = \frac{V(z=0)}{I(z=0)} = Z_0 \left[ \frac{V_0^+ + V_0^-}{V_0^+ - V_0^-} \right] = Z_L$$

- The current and voltage along the line in this case are:

$$V(z) = V_0^+ \left[ e^{-j\beta z} + \Gamma_0 e^{+j\beta z} \right]$$

$$I(z) = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} \left[ e^{-j\beta z} - \Gamma_0 e^{+j\beta z} \right]$$

## Terminated Lossless Transmission Line (contd.)

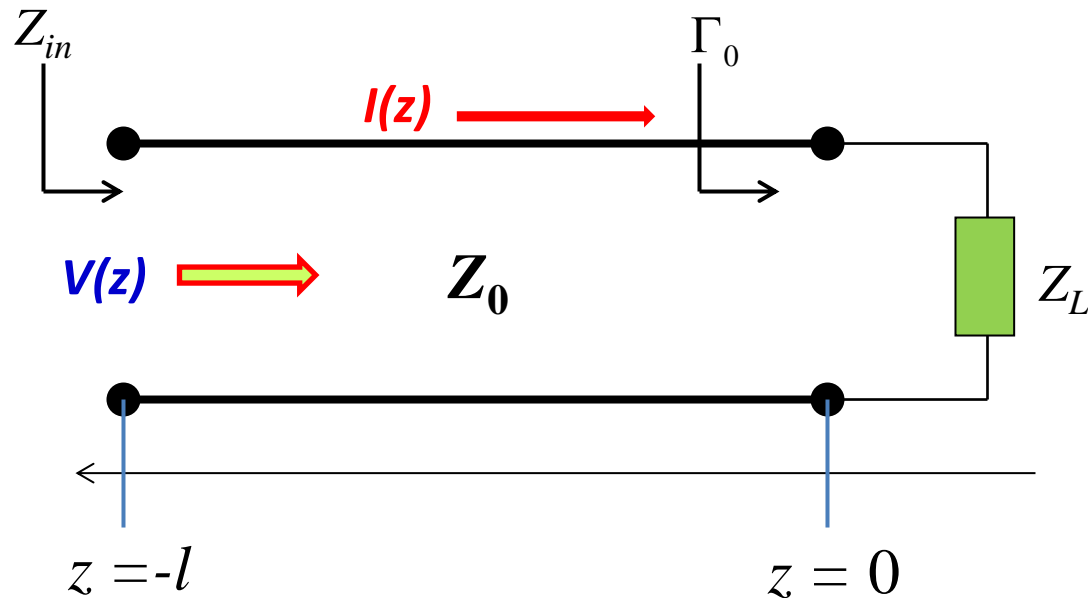
**Q:** But, how do we determine  $V_0^+$ ??

**A:** We require a **second** boundary condition to determine  $V_0^+$ . The only boundary left is at the **other end** of the transmission line. Typically, a **source** of some sort is located there. This makes physical sense, as something must generate the **incident** wave !

Now let us consider the Special Values of Load impedances

## Special Termination Conditions

- Let us once again consider a generic TL terminated in arbitrary impedance  $Z_L$



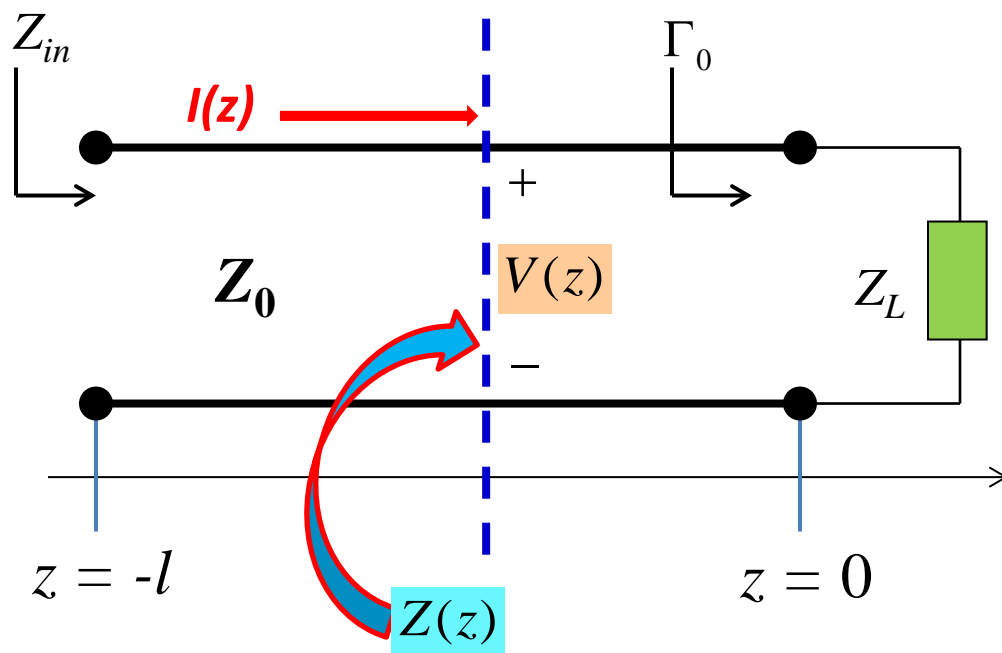
It's interesting to note that the load  $Z_L$  enforces a boundary condition that explicitly determines neither  $V(z)$  nor  $I(z)$ —but **completely** specifies **line impedance**  $Z(z)$ !

## Special Termination Conditions (contd.)

- We define the generalized impedance at any point on the line as:

$$Z(z) = \frac{V(z)}{I(z)}$$

This is the impedance we would measure if we cut the line at  $z$  and measured its impedance there.



$$Z(z) = \frac{V(z)}{I(z)} = \frac{V^+ e^{+j\beta z} (1 + \Gamma_0 e^{-j(2\beta z)})}{\frac{V^+ e^{+j\beta z}}{Z_0} (1 - \Gamma_0 e^{-j(2\beta z)})}$$

## Special Termination Conditions (contd.)



$$Z(z) = Z_0 \frac{e^{-j\beta z} + \Gamma_0 e^{+j\beta z}}{e^{-j\beta z} - \Gamma_0 e^{+j\beta z}} = Z_0 \frac{Z_L \cos(\beta z) - jZ_0 \sin(\beta z)}{Z_0 \cos(\beta z) - jZ_L \sin(\beta z)}$$

- Likewise, the load boundary condition leaves  $V^+(z)$  and  $V^-(z)$  undetermined, but **completely** determines **reflection coefficient function**  $\Gamma(z)$ !

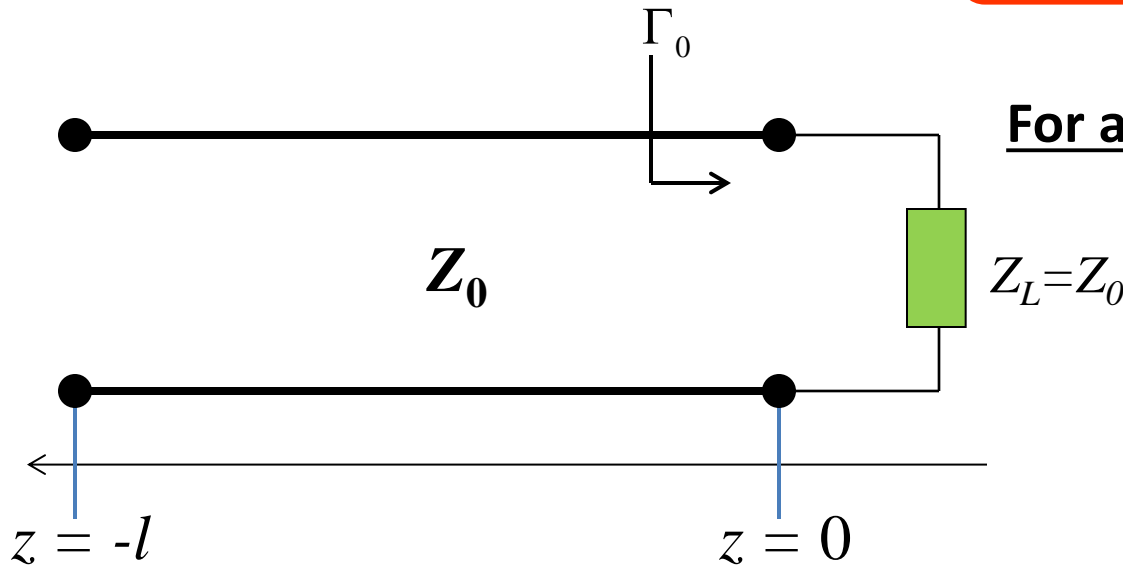
$$\Gamma(z) = \frac{V^-(z)}{V^+(z)} = \Gamma_0 e^{+j2\beta z} = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} e^{+j2\beta z}$$

Let's look at some **specific** values of load impedance  $Z_L = R_L + jX_L$  and see what functions  $Z(z)$  and  $\Gamma(z)$  result!

## Special Termination Conditions (contd.)

- $Z_L = Z_0$  ← Matched Line →

the load impedance equals the characteristic impedance of the TL



For a lossless TL:

$$R_L = Z_0$$

$$X_L = 0$$

Purely Real

means no reflected wave  $V^-(z)$

The load reflection coefficient:

$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0} = 0$$

reflection coefficient is zero at all points along the line

The impedance at position  $z$ :

$$Z(z) = Z_0$$

The line impedance equals  $Z_0$   
→ matched condition