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EEE 532/4 – Microwave Circuit Design

Duration : 2 hours

Please check that this examination paper consists of **SEVEN (7)** pages printed material and **TWO (2)** pages of Appendix before you begin the examination.

Instructions: This question paper consists of **SIX (6)** questions. Answer **FOUR (4)** questions. **TWO (2)** from Part A and **TWO (2)** from Part B.

Please use different booklet for Part A and Part B.

All questions carry the same marks.

Part A : Answer TWO questions

1. With reference to Figure 1, the input to an RF transceiver requires a suitable matching network to connect port 1 to port 2. The design is fabricated using microstrip. The first matching network, M1 network is required matching to match Z_{01} to Z_{02} . Whereas, the second matching network, M2, is required to match Z_{02} to Z_{03} . The design is fabricated for the frequency of 1.4 GHz. Use the Smith Chart where necessary. The width of the line is not required. ($\epsilon_r=3.08$)

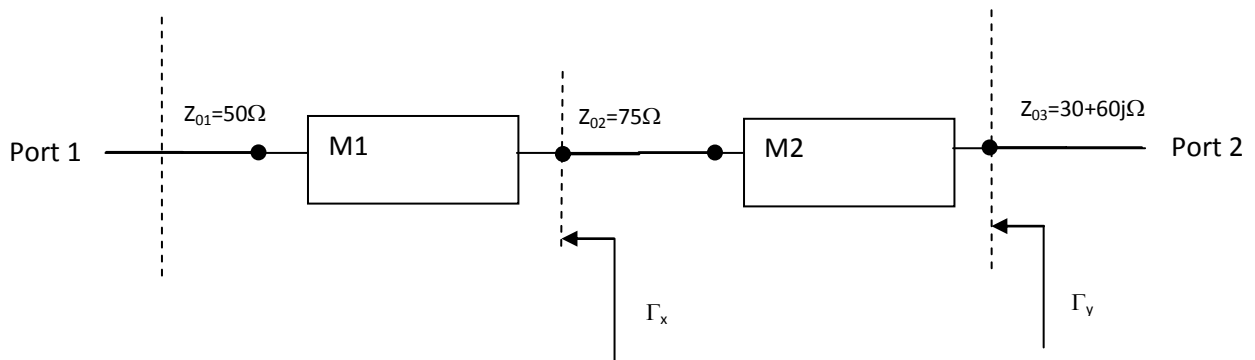


Figure 1

- (a) Determine a suitable matching arrangement for M1 and calculate the necessary information for the chosen match. Justify your reason for selecting the solution (matching arrangement).
(40 marks)
- (b) Determine a suitable matching arrangement for M2 and calculate the necessary information for the chosen match. (only 1 solution required). Justify your reasons for selecting the solution (matching arrangement).
(60 marks)

2. The simulation for noise analysis requires a low pass filter prototype. The schematic design requires element value, $N = 5$. The design should have a maximally flat passband response extending up to -3 dB point at ω_c . The noise analysis is to be carried-out at 1.5 GHz. Use Table 2(a) or (b) as a guide. Assume that $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$ and the impedance and frequency scaling equations are:

$$L'_k = \frac{R_0 L_k}{\omega_c} \quad C'_k = \frac{C_k}{R_0 \omega_c}$$

- (a) Present the prototype schematic circuit for impedance of 50Ω and at least 15 dB insertion loss at 2.7 GHz.

Element Values for Maximally Flat Low-Pass Filter Prototypes ($g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1$ to 10)											
N	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8	g_9	g_{10}	g_{11}
1	2.0000	1.0000									
2	1.4142	1.4142	1.0000								
3	1.0000	2.0000	1.0000	1.0000							
4	0.7654	1.8478	1.8478	0.7654	1.0000						
5	0.6180	1.6180	2.0000	1.6180	0.6180	1.0000					
6	0.5176	1.4142	1.9318	1.9318	1.4142	0.5176	1.0000				
7	0.4450	1.2470	1.8019	2.0000	1.8019	1.2470	0.4450	1.0000			
8	0.3902	1.1111	1.6629	1.9615	1.9615	1.6629	1.1111	0.3902	1.0000		
9	0.3473	1.0000	1.5321	1.8794	2.0000	1.8794	1.5321	1.0000	0.3473	1.0000	
10	0.3129	0.9080	1.4142	1.7820	1.9754	1.9754	1.7820	1.4142	0.9080	0.3129	1.0000

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Table 2(a)

(60 marks)

- (b) The present prototype is transformed into bandpass filter. Using Table 2(c) as a guide, design the bandpass filter with center frequency at 5.4 GHz and 10% bandwidth while the impedance is kept at 50 Ω.

Element Values for Equal-Ripple Low-Pass Filter Prototypes ($g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1$ to 10, 0.5 dB and 3.0 dB ripple)

0.5 dB Ripple											
N	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8	g_9	g_{10}	g_{11}
1	0.6986	1.0000									
2	1.4029	0.7071	1.9841								
3	1.5963	1.0967	1.5963	1.0000							
4	1.6703	1.1926	2.3661	0.8419	1.9841						
5	1.7058	1.2296	2.5408	1.2296	1.7058	1.0000					
6	1.7254	1.2479	2.6064	1.3137	2.4758	0.8696	1.9841				
7	1.7372	1.2583	2.6381	1.3444	2.6381	1.2583	1.7372	1.0000			
8	1.7451	1.2647	2.6564	1.3590	2.6964	1.3389	2.5093	0.8796	1.9841		
9	1.7504	1.2690	2.6678	1.3673	2.7239	1.3673	2.6678	1.2690	1.7504	1.0000	
10	1.7543	1.2721	2.6754	1.3725	2.7392	1.3806	2.7231	1.3485	2.5239	0.8842	1.9841

3.0 dB Ripple											
N	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8	g_9	g_{10}	g_{11}
1	1.9953	1.0000									
2	3.1013	0.5339	5.8095								
3	3.3487	0.7117	3.3487	1.0000							
4	3.4389	0.7483	4.3471	0.5920	5.8095						
5	3.4817	0.7618	4.5381	0.7618	3.4817	1.0000					
6	3.5045	0.7685	4.6061	0.7929	4.4641	0.6033	5.8095				
7	3.5182	0.7723	4.6386	0.8039	4.6386	0.7723	3.5182	1.0000			
8	3.5277	0.7745	4.6575	0.8089	4.6990	0.8018	4.4990	0.6073	5.8095		
9	3.5340	0.7760	4.6692	0.8118	4.7272	0.8118	4.6692	0.7760	3.5340	1.0000	
10	3.5384	0.7771	4.6768	0.8136	4.7425	0.8164	4.7260	0.8051	4.5142	0.6091	5.8095

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Table 2(b) : Element Values for (a) Butterworth and (b) Chebyshev Low-pass filters prototype

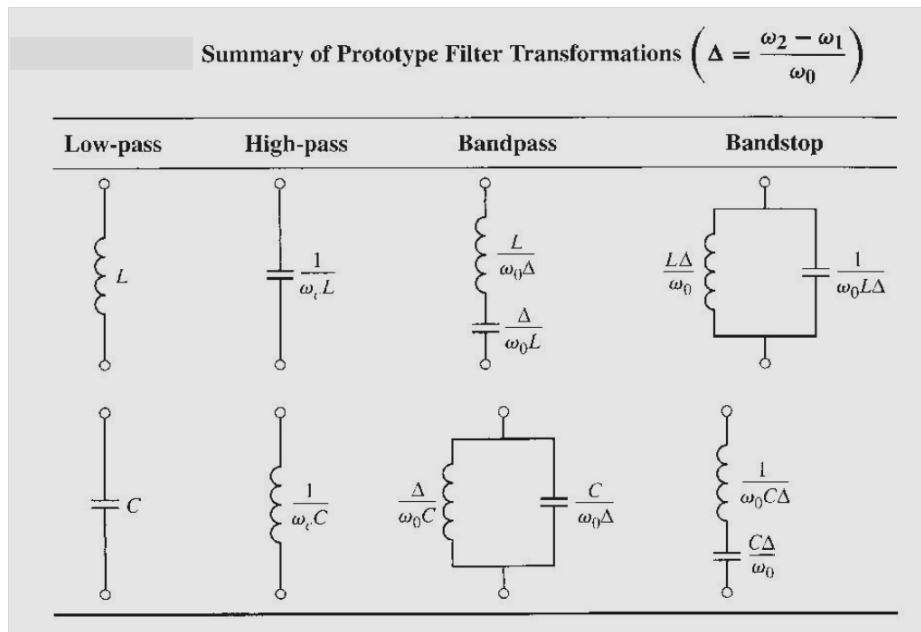


Table 2(c) : Summary of prototype filter transformation (excluding scaling i.e. Z_0)

(40 marks)

3. A simple divider using microstrip line has 75Ω transmission lines at all ports. The power delivered to port 2 and port 3 are equal. A quarter wavelength transformer matches input port 1 for frequency of 5 GHz.

(a) Analyze the matching occurrence at port 2 and port 3. Conclude your findings.

(60 marks)

(b) Does the simple divider performs efficiently at all ports? Justify your reasons using return loss and power efficiency.

(40 marks)

Part B: Answer TWO questions

4. (a) An engineer establishing the 7 GHz microwave radio link to transmit the data for distance of 2 km. The transmitting power is 27 dBm with the parabolic antenna gain of 20 dB for each transmitter and receiver respectively.

- (i) Calculate the receive power in dBm
 - (ii) What will be the transmitting power if the frequency is 10 GHz.
- (15 marks)

(b) Briefly explain the block diagram of the IF type microwave repeater station.
(10 marks)

5. A transistor ATF 34143 has the S parameters as tabulated in Table 5. The S parameter was measured on 50 Ω systems with biasing at $V_{ds} = 1.5$ V and $I_d = 10$ mA.

S_{11}		S_{21}		S_{12}		S_{22}	
Mag	Ang	Mag	Ang	Mag	Ang	Mag	Ang
0.58	148.9	2.43	13.5	0.167	-49.00	0.27	-140.00

Table 5 : ATF 34143 S parameters measured at 5 GHz.

The source impedance is $Z_S = 35 \Omega$ and the load impedance is $Z_L = 37 \Omega$. Calculate:

- (i) Power Gain. (5 marks)
- (ii) Available Gain. (5 marks)
- (iii) Transducer power gain. (5 marks)
- (iv) Determine the transistor stability. (10 marks)

6. (a) Referring to Figure 6(a), show that the reflection coefficients Γ_L and Γ_{in} are related as $\Gamma_L \Gamma_{in} = 1$ for steady-state oscillation of the negative resistance oscillator.

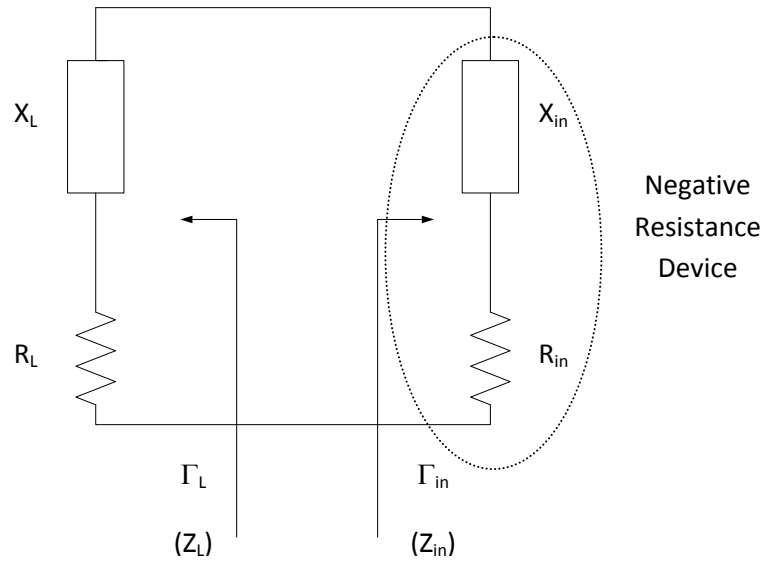


Figure 6(a)

(10 marks)

- (b) Explain about the phase noise in the oscillator or explain the type of phase noise in the oscillator.

(5 marks)

- (c) Explain the resonator type and name three type of resonator that is typically used in an oscillator design.

(5 marks)

- (d) Briefly describe the feedback type oscillator topology and provide descriptions of what used normally in the form of questions not as statements the important criterion in the oscillator.

(5 marks)