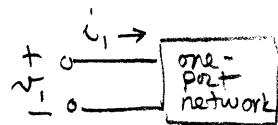


4.1 Basic Definitions



Consider writing the following voltage current relationships between voltage and current.

$$v_1 = Z_{11} i_1 + Z_{12} i_2$$

$$v_2 = Z_{21} i_1 + Z_{22} i_2$$

In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix} = [Z] [\mathbf{I}]$$

Note that each element in this matrix can be found by measuring the voltage v_i while port i is being driven by current i_i and all other currents are zero.

For example, let $i_2 = 0$, then the matrix equations reduce to

$$v_1 = Z_{11} i_1 \quad \text{or} \quad Z_{11} = \frac{v_1}{i_1}$$

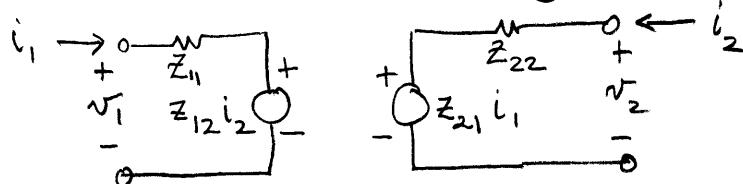
$$v_2 = Z_{21} i_1 \quad \text{or} \quad Z_{21} = \frac{v_2}{i_1}$$

Similarly, if $i_1 = 0$

$$v_1 = Z_{12} i_2 \quad \text{or} \quad Z_{12} = \frac{v_1}{i_2}$$

$$v_2 = Z_{22} i_2 \quad \text{or} \quad Z_{22} = \frac{v_2}{i_2}$$

Z -parameters can be represented by the following equivalent circuit



Very commonly rf engineers use y -parameters instead of z -parameters.

y parameters are defined by the following matrix equation

$$[I] = \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = [Y] [V]$$

We can find the various y -parameters by shorting one of the outputs sequentially, i.e.

if $v_1 = 0$

$$i_1 = y_{12} v_2$$

$$y_{12} = \frac{i_1}{v_2}$$

$$i_2 = y_{22} v_2$$

$$y_{22} = \frac{i_2}{v_2}$$

if $v_2 = 0$

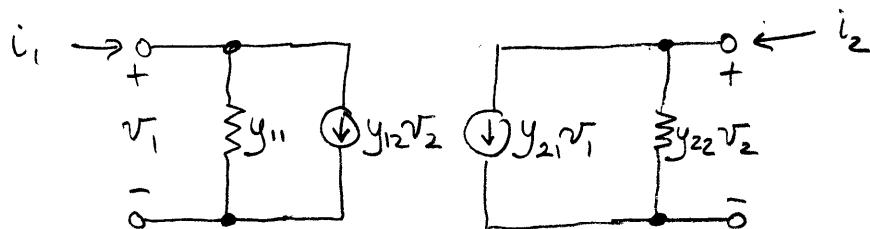
$$i_1 = y_{11} v_1$$

$$y_{11} = \frac{i_1}{v_1}$$

$$i_2 = y_{21} v_1$$

$$y_{21} = \frac{i_2}{v_1}$$

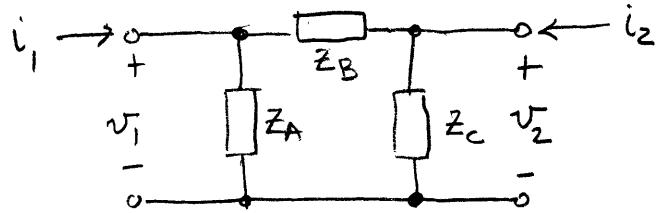
The y -parameters can be electrically modelled by the following equivalent circuit



NOTE: $[Z] = [Y]^{-1}$

Example: Z -parameters of Pi-network.

For the pi-network shown below with generic impedances Z_A , Z_B and Z_C find the impedance and admittance matrices.

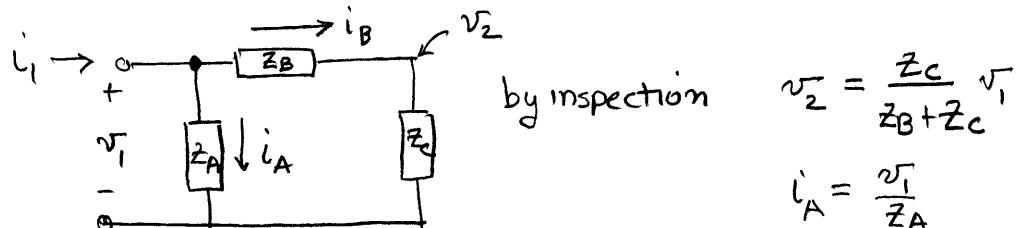


To find Z_{ij} drive the input with i_1 and let the output open, i.e., $i_2=0$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{if } i_2=0 \quad v_1 = z_{11} i_1 \quad \text{or} \quad z_{11} = \frac{v_1}{i_1}$$

$$v_2 = z_{21} i_1 \quad z_{21} = \frac{v_2}{i_1}$$



$$z_{11} = \frac{v_1}{i_1} = \frac{v_1}{\frac{v_1}{z_A} + \frac{v_1}{z_B + z_C}} = \frac{(z_B + z_C)(z_A)}{z_A + z_B + z_C} \quad i_1 = i_A + i_B = \frac{v_1}{z_A} + \frac{v_1}{z_B + z_C}$$

$$z_{21} = \frac{v_2}{i_1} = \frac{\frac{z_c}{z_B + z_C} v_1}{\frac{v_1}{z_A} + \frac{v_1}{z_B + z_C}} = \frac{\frac{z_c}{z_B + z_C}}{\frac{z_B + z_C + z_A}{z_A(z_B + z_C)}} = \frac{z_A z_C}{z_B + z_C + z_A}$$

We get the remaining Z parameters by repeating the process for $i_1=0$.

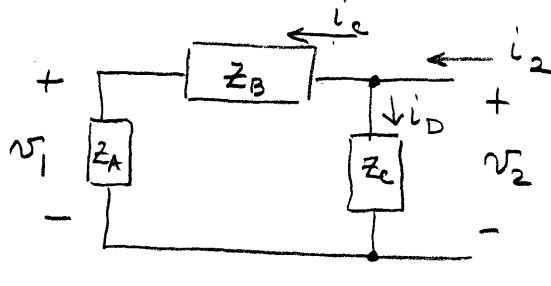
If $i_1 = 0$ (input open)

$$v_1 = Z_{12} i_2 \quad \text{or} \quad Z_{12} = \frac{v_1}{i_2}$$

$$v_2 = Z_{22} i_2$$

$$Z_{22} = \frac{v_2}{i_2}$$

For the given circuit



by inspection

$$v_1 = \frac{Z_A}{Z_A + Z_B} v_2$$

$$i_c = \frac{v_2}{Z_A + Z_B}$$

$$i_D = \frac{v_2}{Z_C}$$

$$i_2 = i_c + i_D$$

using these results in the above formulas gives

$$Z_{12} = \frac{v_1}{i_2} = \frac{\frac{Z_A}{Z_A + Z_B} v_2}{\frac{v_2}{Z_A + Z_B} + \frac{v_2}{Z_C}} = \frac{\frac{Z_A}{Z_A + Z_B}}{\frac{Z_C + Z_A + Z_B}{(Z_A + Z_B) Z_C}}$$

$$Z_{12} = \frac{Z_C Z_A}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C}$$

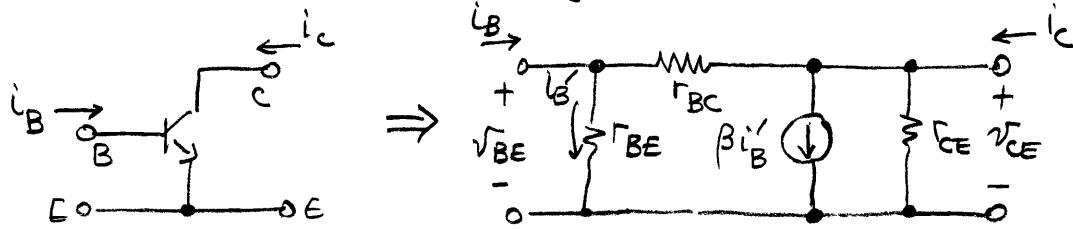
$$Z_{22} = \frac{v_2}{i_2} = \frac{v_2}{\frac{v_2}{Z_A + Z_B} + \frac{v_2}{Z_C}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{Z_A + Z_B} + \frac{1}{Z_C}} = \frac{Z_C (Z_A + Z_B)}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C}$$

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{Z_A (Z_B + Z_C)}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C} & \frac{Z_A Z_C}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C} \\ \frac{Z_A Z_C}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C} & \frac{Z_C (Z_A + Z_B)}{Z_A + Z_B + Z_C} \end{bmatrix}$$

You can find the 4 parameters the same way.

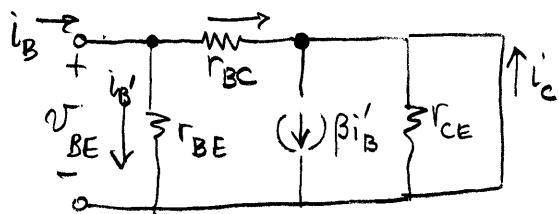
Example 4.2

Describe the common-emitter BJT transistor in terms of its h (hybrid) parameters for the low-frequency, small signal model shown below.



$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

① To evaluate h_{11} , short the output, i.e. $v_2 = v_{CE} = 0$



$$i_{RBE} = \frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BE}}$$

$$i_{RBC} = \frac{v_{BE} (\text{since } v_{CE}=0)}{r_{BC}}$$

$$i_B = \frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BE}} + \frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BC}} = \frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}}$$

$$i_C = -i_{RBC} + \beta i_B' = -\frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BC}} + \beta \frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BE}}$$

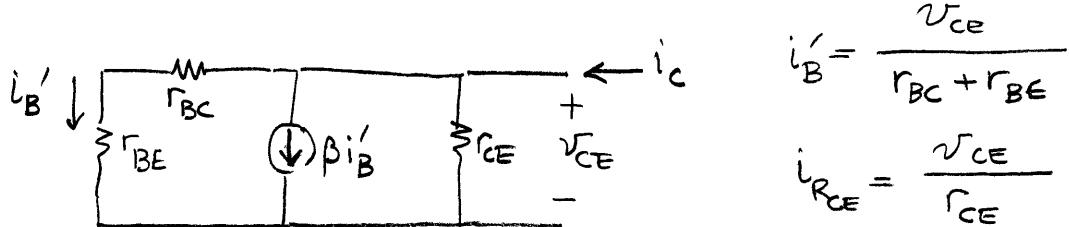
from matrix if $v_2 = 0$

$$v_1 = h_{11} i_1 \Rightarrow h_{11} = \frac{v_1}{i_1} = \frac{v_{BE}}{i_B}$$

$$i_2 = h_{21} i_1 \Rightarrow h_{21} = \frac{i_2}{i_1} = \frac{i_C}{i_B}$$

$$h_{11} = \frac{v_{BE}}{i_B} = \frac{v_{BE}}{v_{BE} \left(\frac{r_{BE} + r_{BC}}{r_{BE} r_{BC}} \right)} = \frac{r_{BE} r_{BC}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}}$$

$$h_{21} = \frac{i_C}{i_B} = \frac{\frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BC} r_{BE}} \left(\frac{-r_{BE} + \beta r_{BC}}{r_{BC} r_{BE}} \right)}{\frac{v_{BE}}{r_{BE} r_{BC}}} = \frac{-r_{BE} + \beta r_{BC}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} = \frac{\beta r_{BC} - r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}}$$



$$i'_B = \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}}$$

$$i_{R_{CE}} = \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{CE}}$$

$$\beta i'_B = \beta \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}}$$

from matrix if $i_1 = i_B = 0$

$$i_c = \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}} + \beta \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}} + \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{CE}}$$

$$v_1 = h_{12} v_2 \quad h_{12} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

$$v_{BE} = \frac{r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} v_{CE}$$

$$i_2 = h_{22} v_2 \quad h_{22} = \frac{i_2}{v_2}$$

$$h_{12} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{\frac{r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} v_{CE}}{v_{CE}} = \frac{r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}}$$

$$h_{22} = \frac{i_2}{v_2} = \frac{(1+\beta) \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}} + \frac{v_{CE}}{r_{CE}}}{v_{CE}} = \frac{(1+\beta)}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}} + \frac{1}{r_{CE}}$$

$$h_{22} = \frac{(1+\beta) r_{CE} + r_{BC} + r_{BE}}{r_{CE} (r_{BC} + r_{BE})}$$

$$[h] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r_{BE} r_{BC}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} & \frac{r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} \\ \frac{\beta r_{BC} - r_{BE}}{r_{BE} + r_{BC}} & \frac{(\beta+1)}{r_{BC} + r_{BE}} + \frac{1}{r_{CE}} \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} r_{BE} & 0 \\ \beta & \frac{1}{r_{CE}} + \frac{\beta}{r_{BC}} \end{bmatrix}$$

for real transistors $\beta \gg 1$, $r_{BC} \gg r_{BE}$

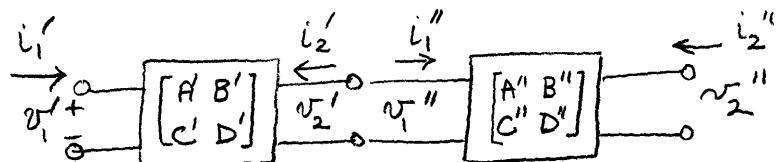
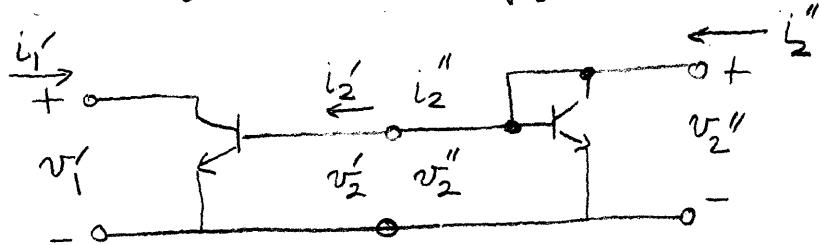
The hybrid network representation is a very popular way to characterize the BJT, and h-parameter coefficients are reported in many data sheets.

Define the chain or ABCD parameters as



$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ i_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ -i_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cascading networks analyzed using ABCD matrices



For the first network

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1' \\ i_1' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A' & B' \\ C' & D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2' \\ -i_2' \end{bmatrix}$$

for the second network

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_2'' \\ i_2'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A'' & B'' \\ C'' & D'' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2'' \\ -i_2'' \end{bmatrix}$$

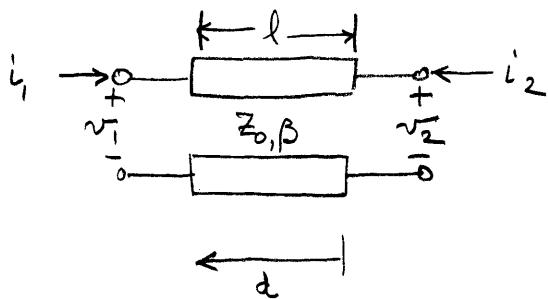
The key thing about cascading networks is that $i_1'' = -i_2'$
and $v_1'' = v_2'$

Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1' \\ i_1' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A' & B' \\ C' & D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2' \\ -i_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A' & B' \\ C' & D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2'' \\ i_2'' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1' \\ i_1' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A' & B' \\ C' & D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A'' & B'' \\ C'' & D'' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2'' \\ i_2'' \end{bmatrix}$$

Example 4-6 ABCD-matrix coefficient representation of a transmission line section.



$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ i_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we short port 2, i.e. $v_2 = 0$ (a shorted line)

$$v_1 = -B i_2 \quad B = -\frac{v_1}{i_2}$$

$$i_1 = -D i_2 \quad D = -\frac{i_1}{i_2}$$

If we open port 2, i.e., $i_2 = 0$ (an open line)

$$v_1 = A v_2 \quad A = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$

$$i_1 = C v_2 \quad C = \frac{i_1}{v_2}$$

For an open-line $V(d) = 2V^+ \cos(\beta d)$

$$I(d) = \frac{2jV^+}{Z_0} \sin(\beta d) \quad \text{current defined as towards load}$$

For a short line

$$V(d) = 2jV^+ \sin(\beta d)$$

$$I(d) = \frac{2V^+}{Z_0} \cos(\beta d) \quad \text{current defined as towards load.}$$

Using these results for a transmission line:

$$A = \left. \frac{v_1}{v_2} \right|_{i_2=0} = \frac{2V^+ \cos(\beta l)}{2V^+ \cos(\beta \cdot 0)} = \frac{l}{d} = \cos \beta l$$

$$B = -\left. \frac{v_1}{i_2} \right|_{v_2=0} = \frac{2jV^+ \sin(\beta l)}{\frac{2V^+}{Z_0} \cos(\beta \cdot 0)} = jZ_0 \sin(\beta l)$$

$$C = \left. \frac{i_1}{v_2} \right|_{i_2=0} = \frac{\frac{2jV^+}{Z_0} \sin(\beta l)}{2V^+ \cos(\beta l)} = jY_0 \sin(\beta l)$$

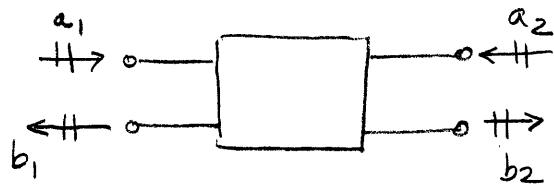
$$D = - \left. \frac{i_1}{v_2} \right|_{v_2=0} = - \frac{\frac{2V^+}{Z_0} \cos(\beta l)}{2\frac{V^+}{Z_0} \cos(\beta l)} = - \cos(\beta l)$$

i.e. For a transmission line

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta l & jZ_0 \sin \beta l \\ jY_0 \sin \beta l & -\cos \beta l \end{bmatrix}$$

4.4 Scattering parameters

Almost all microwave engineers use S-parameters (scattering parameters) at microwave frequencies because it is very difficult to achieve a true open or short at r.f./microwave frequencies. Furthermore, you do not want to introduce large reflection coefficients which can lead to oscillations and/or destroy a semiconductor device.



define a NORMALIZED incident power wave

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}} (V_1 + Z_0 I_1) \quad \text{where } I_1, V_1 \text{ are at the input}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}} (V_2 + Z_0 I_2) \quad I_2, V_2 \text{ are at the output}$$

and a reflected normalized power

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}} (V_1 - Z_0 I_1)$$

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}} (V_2 - Z_0 I_2)$$

If we solve these equations for V and I we get

$$V_1 = \sqrt{Z_0} (a_1 + b_1) \quad (1)$$

$$V_2 = \sqrt{Z_0} (a_2 + b_2) \quad (2)$$

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_0}} (a_1 - b_1) \quad (3)$$

$$I_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_0}} (a_2 - b_2) \quad (4)$$

These look like strange definitions but consider these in terms of traveling waves and power

If you simply examine (1) & (3) a_1 is simply the forward traveling wave and b_1 is the backward traveling wave.

$$a_1 = \frac{V_1^+}{\sqrt{Z_0}} = \sqrt{Z_0} I_1^+$$

$$b_1 = \frac{V_1^-}{\sqrt{Z_0}} = -\sqrt{Z_0} I_1^-$$

Note that $V^+ = I_1^+ Z_0$ and $V^- = -Z_0 I_1^-$

$$a_2 = \frac{V_2^+}{\sqrt{Z_0}} = \sqrt{Z_0} I_2^+$$

$$b_2 = \frac{V_2^-}{\sqrt{Z_0}} = -\sqrt{Z_0} I_2^-$$

The S-parameters are closely related to power.

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{incident \& reflected at port \#1} \\ \leftarrow \text{incident \& reflected at port \#2} \end{array}$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{b_1}{a_1} \Big|_{a_2=0} = \frac{\text{reflected power wave at port \#1}}{\text{incident power wave at port \#1}} \Bigg|_{\substack{\text{no input power} \\ \text{at port \#2}}}$$

$$S_{12} = \frac{b_1}{a_2} \Big|_{a_1=0} = \frac{\text{transmitted power wave at port \#1}}{\text{incident power wave at port \#2}} \Bigg|_{\substack{\text{no input power} \\ \text{at port \#1}}}$$

$$S_{21} = \frac{b_2}{a_1} \Big|_{a_2=0} = \frac{\text{transmitted power wave at port \#2}}{\text{incident power wave at port \#1}} \Bigg|_{\substack{\text{no input power} \\ \text{at port \#2}}}$$

$$S_{22} = \frac{b_2}{a_2} \Big|_{a_1=0} = \frac{\text{reflected power wave at port \#2}}{\text{incident power wave at port \#1}} \Bigg|_{\substack{\text{no input power} \\ \text{at port \#1}}}$$

brace here

these conditions
are true when input (a_1)
or output (a_2) are
matched to port impedance.

Recall that $P_{AV} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ V I^* \}$

At the input port

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ V_1 I_1^* \} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ V^+ (1 + R_{in}) \frac{V^+}{Z_0} (1 - R_{in}) \right\}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|V^+|^2}{Z_0} (1 - |R_{in}|^2) = P_1^+ + P_1^-$$

using our definitions that

$$V_1 = \sqrt{Z_0} (a_1 + b_1)$$

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_0}} (a_1 - b_1)$$

we can also compute the power at port #1 as

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ V_1 I_1^* \} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sqrt{Z_0} (a_1 + b_1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_0}} (a_1^* - b_1^*) \right\}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \{ |a_1|^2 - |b_1|^2 \} = \frac{1}{2} \{ |a_1|^2 - |b_1|^2 \} = \frac{1}{2} |a_1|^2 \left\{ 1 - \frac{|b_1|^2}{|a_1|^2} \right\}$$

but $a_1 = \frac{V_1^+}{\sqrt{Z_0}}$ so we can re-write this equation as

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|V_1^+|^2}{Z_0} \left\{ 1 - \frac{|b_1|^2}{|a_1|^2} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|V_1^+|^2}{Z_0} \left\{ 1 - |S_{11}|^2 \right\}$$

Comparing these two expressions for P_1 we quickly see that

$$R_{in} = \frac{V_1^-}{V_1^+} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0} = S_{11}$$

This allows us to write the SWR at port #1 as

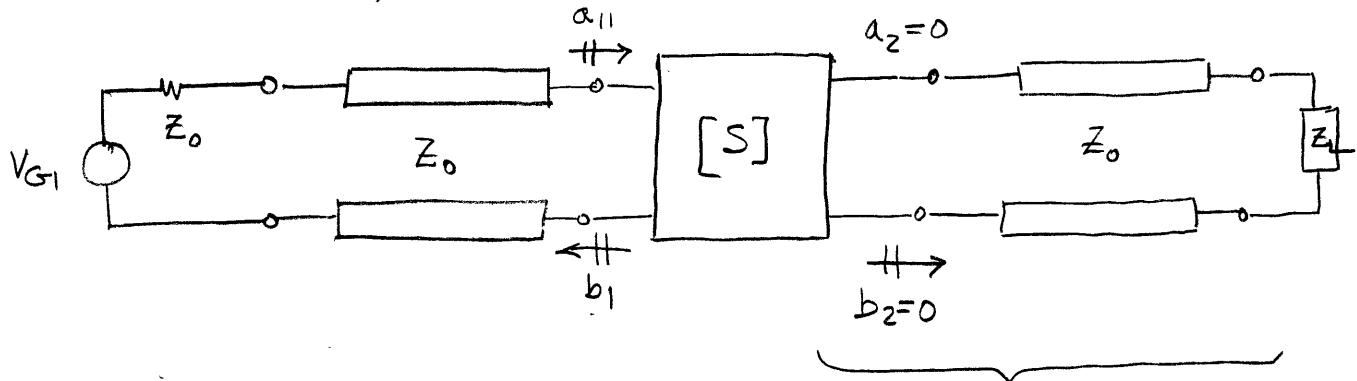
$$S = \frac{1 + |S_{11}|}{1 - |S_{11}|}$$

Note also that $\frac{1}{2} |a_1|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|V_1^+|^2}{Z_0} = P_{\text{incident}}$

You can do the same analysis at the output to get at port #2

$$P_2 = \frac{1}{2} \{ |a_2|^2 - |b_2|^2 \} = \frac{|a_2|^2}{2} (1 - |R_{out}|^2).$$

4.4.2. Meaning of S-parameters



Under the above output matched conditions $a_2 = 0$.

$$\text{Since } S_{11} = \Gamma_m = \frac{Z_{in} - Z_0}{Z_{in} + Z_0} \quad \text{since } S_{11} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_1} \right|_{b_2=0}$$

We have just developed a method for measuring S_{11}

also since $a_2 = 0$

$$S_{21} = \left. \frac{b_2}{a_1} \right|_{b_2=0} = \left. \frac{\frac{V_2'}{\sqrt{Z_0}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}}(V_1 + Z_0 I_1)} \right|_{I_2^+ = V_2^+ = 0}$$

Note that V_2^+, I_2^+ are going into the output just like a two-port

substituting $V_1 = V_{G1} - Z_0 I_1$

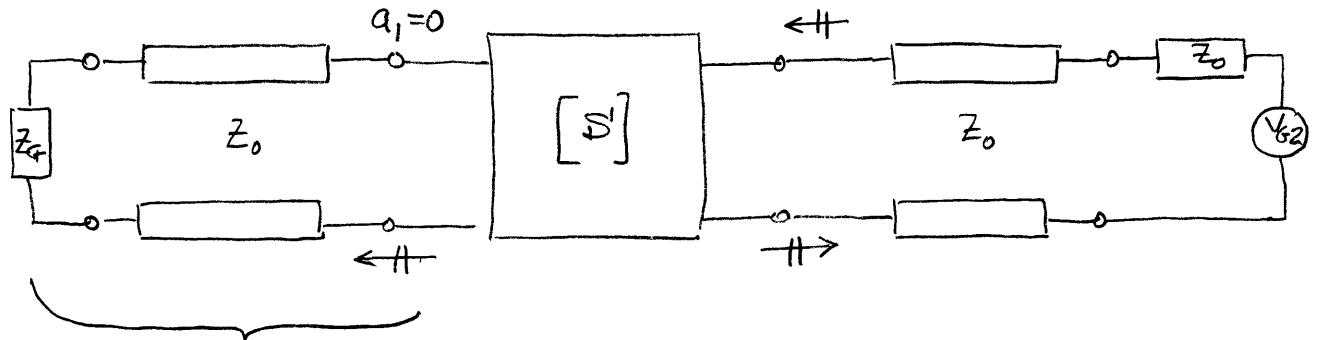
$$S_{21} = \frac{2V_2'}{V_{G1} - Z_0 I_1 + Z_0 I_1} = \frac{2V_2'}{V_{G1}} = \frac{2V_2}{V_{G1}}$$

This is the forward voltage gain G_o of the network

$$G_o = |S_{21}|^2 = \left| \frac{V_2}{V_{G1/2}} \right|^2$$

is the forward power gain

You can measure S_{22} and S_{12} by matching at port #1 and using a generator at port #2.



line is matched to the impedance Z_0
to make sure no V_1^- is created at the load

The results at the output are identical to the input

$$S_{22} = \Gamma_{out} = \frac{Z_{out} - Z_0}{Z_{out} + Z_0} \quad \text{since } S_{22} = \left. \frac{b_2}{a_2} \right|_{a_1=0}$$

Since $a_1 = 0$

$$S_{12} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_2} \right|_{a_1=0} = \left. \frac{\frac{V_1^-}{\sqrt{Z_0}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{Z_0}}(V_2 + Z_0 I_2)} \right|_{I_1^+ = V_1^+ = 0}$$

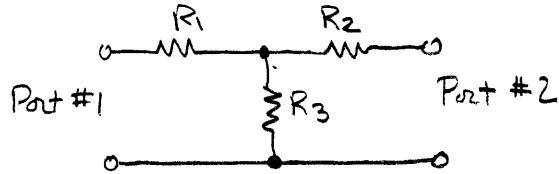
Note again that I_1^+, V_1^+ are going into the input just like a two-port

canceling terms and substituting $V_2 = V_{G2} - Z_0 I_2$.

$$S_{12} = \frac{2V_1^-}{V_{G2} - Z_0 I_2 + Z_0 I_2} = \frac{2V_1^-}{V_{G1}} = \frac{2V_1}{V_{G1}}$$

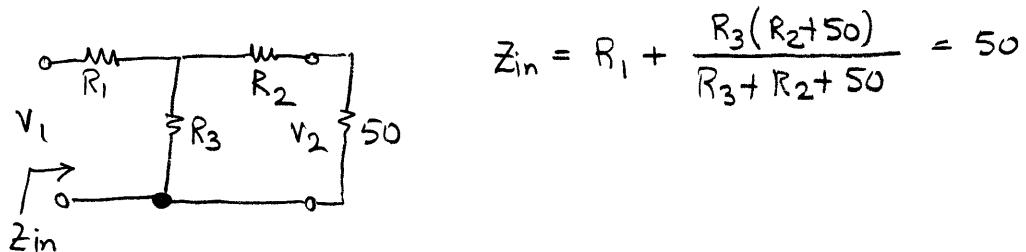
This is the reverse voltage gain.

Example 4-7 Find the s-parameters and the resistive elements for the 3dB attenuator network shown below assuming that the network is placed in a transmission line section with a characteristic line impedance of $Z_0 = 50\Omega$

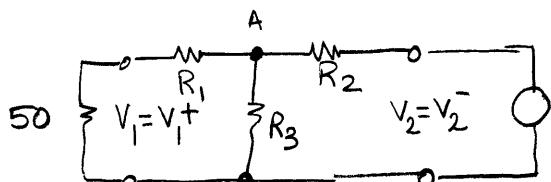


The attenuator must be matched to the line impedance Z_0 .

For a terminated output ($z = 50\Omega$) we have



For the terminated input ($z = 50\Omega$) we have the same circuit



if matched
no reflection

For the voltage relationship we have the output voltage given by

$$V_2 = \underbrace{\frac{R_3 || (R_2 + 50)}{R_3 || (R_2 + 50) + R_2} \cdot \frac{50}{R_1 + 50} V_1}_{\text{Voltage at } A} \underbrace{V_2}_{\text{Voltage at } 50\Omega \text{ input termination}}$$

For 3 dB attenuation .

$$S_{21} = \left. \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right|_{I_2^+ = V_2^+ = 0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2V_2}{V_{G1}}$$

This gives two equations.

Since we want the network to be symmetric $R_1 = R_2$,
leaving two equations in two unknowns.

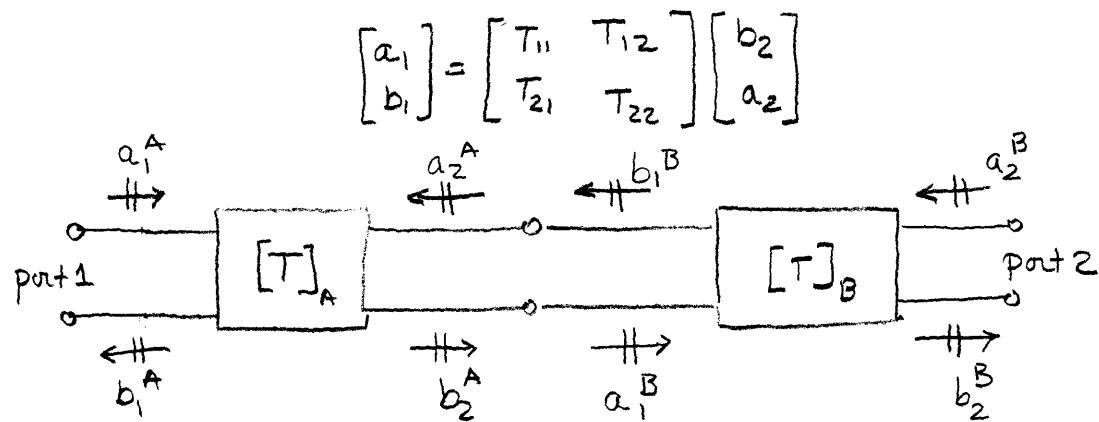
These can be solved to give

$$R_1 = R_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}+1} Z_0 = 8.58 \Omega$$

$$R_3 = 2\sqrt{2}Z_0 = 141.4 \Omega.$$

4.4.3. Chain Scattering Matrix

We can re-arrange the S matrix to group input and output terms together. This is for cascading networks just like the ABCD matrix.



Network A is described by

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1^A \\ b_1^A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}^A & T_{12}^A \\ T_{21}^A & T_{22}^A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2^A \\ a_2^A \end{bmatrix}$$

Network B is described by

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1^B \\ b_1^B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}^B & T_{12}^B \\ T_{21}^B & T_{22}^B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2^B \\ a_2^B \end{bmatrix}$$

since

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_2^A \\ a_2^A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^B \\ b_1^B \end{bmatrix}$$

Note change in direction reverses
a and b.

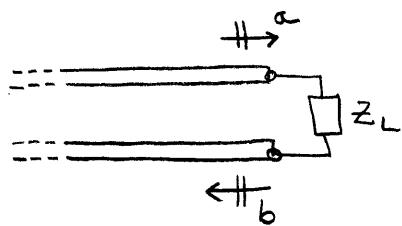
we can rewrite as

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1^A \\ b_1^A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}^A & T_{12}^A \\ T_{21}^A & T_{22}^A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}^B & T_{12}^B \\ T_{21}^B & T_{22}^B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2^B \\ a_2^B \end{bmatrix}$$

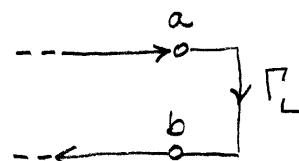
T_{ij} and S_{ij} can be algebraically related.

S_{ij} can also be related to Z_{ij} parameters

4.4.5. Signal Flow Chart Modeling



conventional transmission line representation



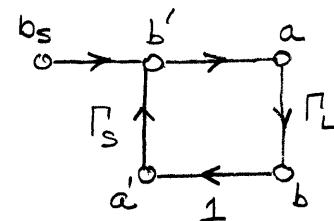
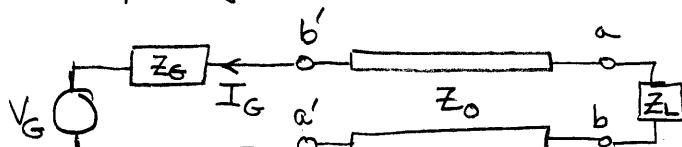
equivalent signal flow representation

\xrightarrow{a}
source node a which launches a wave

\xrightarrow{b}
sink node b which receives a wave

$a \xrightarrow{\Gamma} b$
branch which connects source and sink $b = \Gamma a$

Simple system



Note: Don't interpret variables as static voltages but waves propagating either $L \rightarrow R$ or $R \rightarrow L$

by inspection

$$b' = b_s + a' \Gamma_s$$

$$\text{giving the source as } b_s = b' - a' \Gamma_s$$

We can compare this with the wave based equivalent representation.

$$\underbrace{V_s^+ + V_s^-}_{\text{at input of line}} = V_G + \underbrace{Z_G \left[\frac{V_s^+}{Z_0} - \frac{V_s^-}{Z_0} \right]}_{\text{generator voltage drop across } Z_G}$$

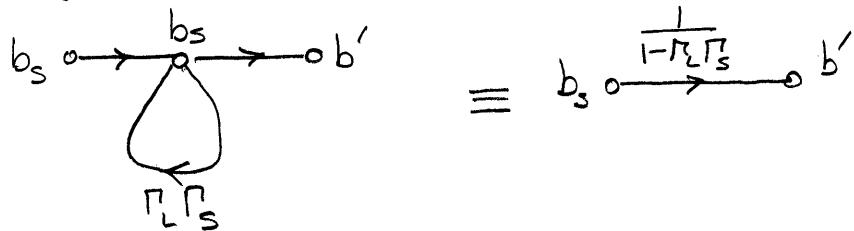
Note that $a' = \Gamma_L b'$

so that $b' = b_s + a' \Gamma_s = b_s + \Gamma_L \Gamma_s b'$

$$\therefore b'(1 - \Gamma_L \Gamma_s) = b_s$$

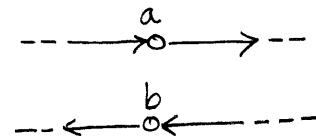
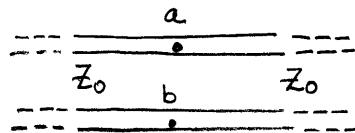
$$b' = \frac{b_s}{1 - \Gamma_L \Gamma_s}$$

In signal flowchart terms this can be reduced to a single branch

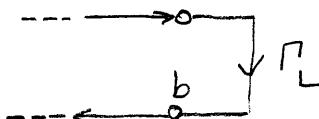
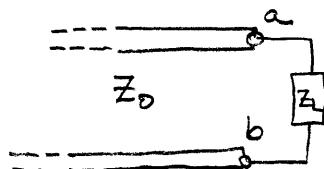


Basic signal flowchart elements

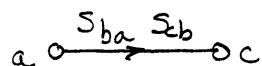
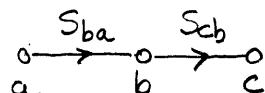
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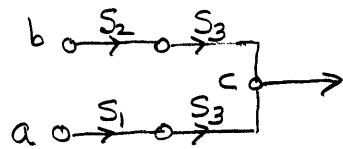
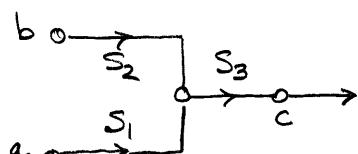
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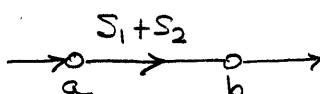
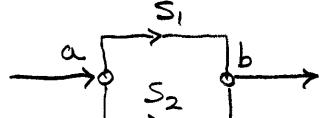
series connection



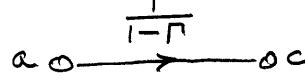
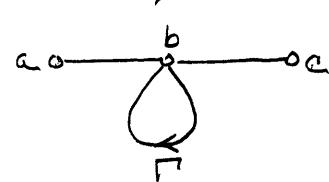
splitting of branches



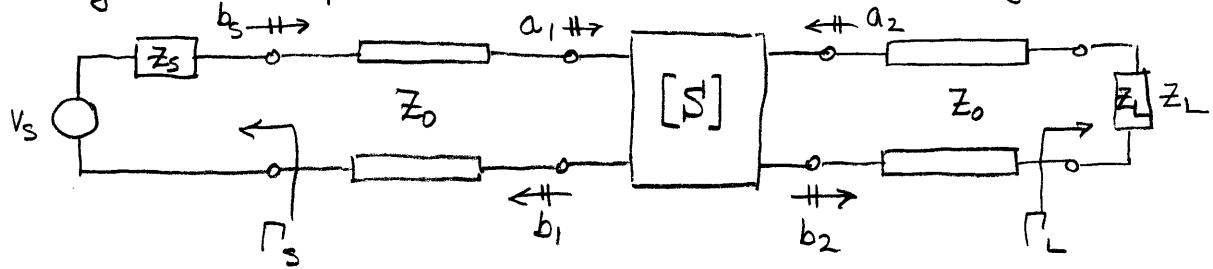
parallel connection



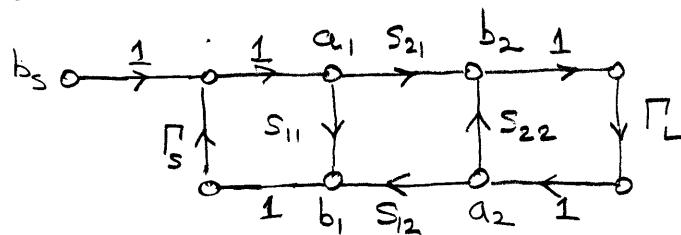
self-loop



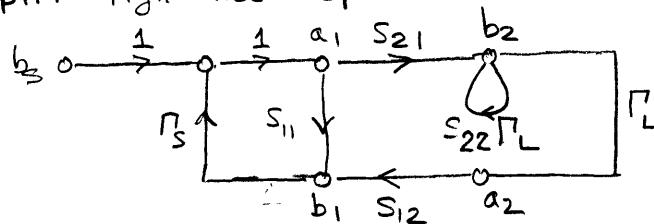
Example 4-8 For the network shown below find the ratio of $\frac{a_2}{b_2}$.
 Assume unity for the multiplication factor of the transmission line segments.



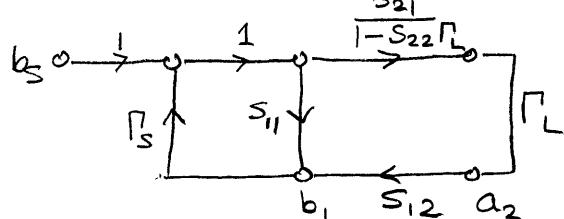
Initial signal flow chart



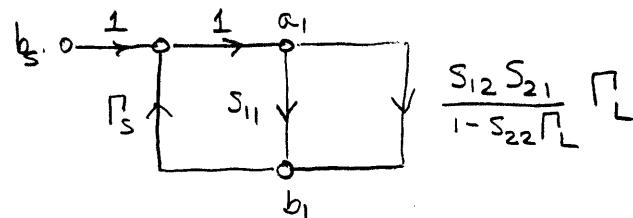
step 1: split right-most loop



step 2: collapse (decompose) the self-loop between b_2 and a_2

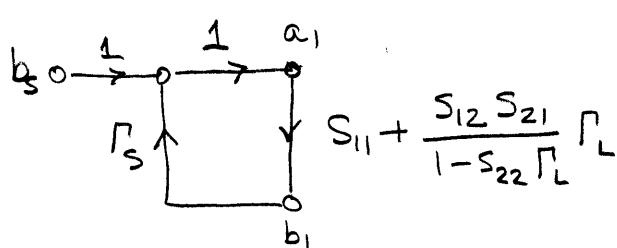


step 3:

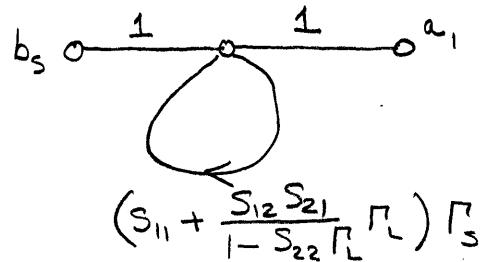


then combine
series elements

and parallel elements



step 4: split loop into a self-loop



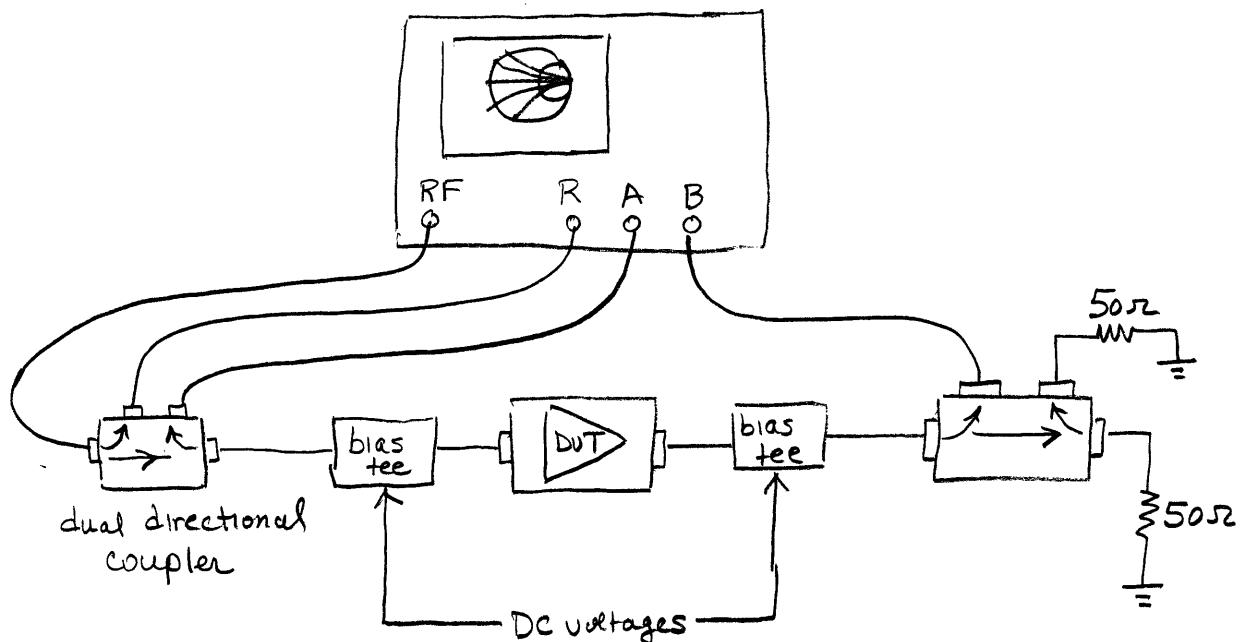
step 5: decompose the self-loop

$$\begin{array}{c} b_s \xrightarrow{\quad} a \\ | \\ 1 - (S_{11} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}}{1-S_{22}\Gamma_L}\Gamma_s) \Gamma_s \end{array}$$

$$\therefore a_1 = \frac{1}{1 - (S_{11} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}}{1-S_{22}\Gamma_L}\Gamma_s) \Gamma_s} \cdot b_s.$$

$$\frac{a_1}{b_s} = \frac{1 - S_{22}\Gamma_L}{1 - (S_{11}\Gamma_s + S_{22}\Gamma_L + S_{12}S_{21}\Gamma_s) + S_{11}S_{22}\Gamma_s\Gamma_L}$$

4.4.7. Practical Measurement of S-parameters.

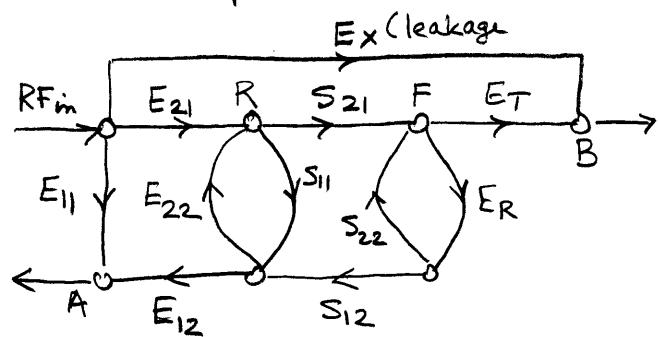
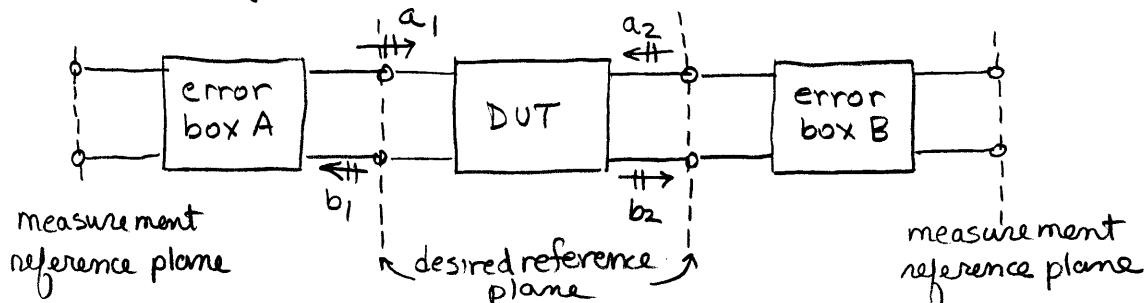


Basic concept is relatively simple. The ratio A/R gives S_{11} ; S_{21} comes from B/R .

You can measure S_{12} and S_{22} by reversing the DUT.

Real system is much more complex because of cable lengths, impedances, non-ideal external components, etc.

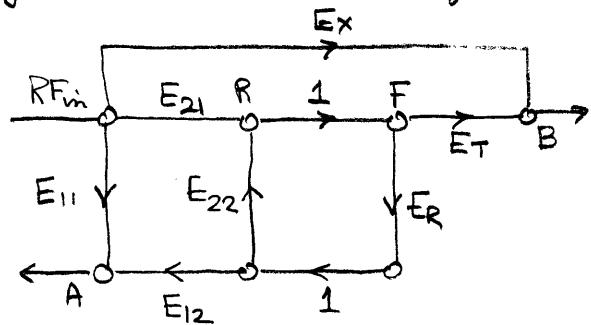
Practical system for measurement



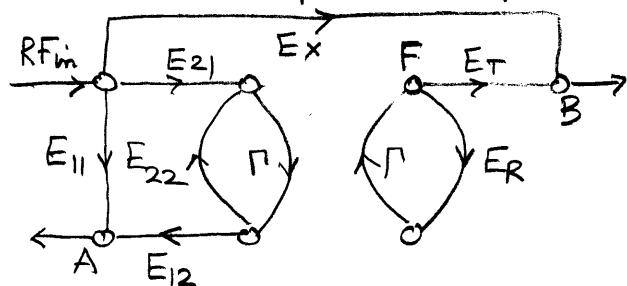
A lot of research involves using a computer and three known loads (open, short, and matched) to estimate E_{11} , E_{12} , E_{22} , E_x , E_R and E_T .

Another popular method is the Through-Reflect-Line (TRL) method.

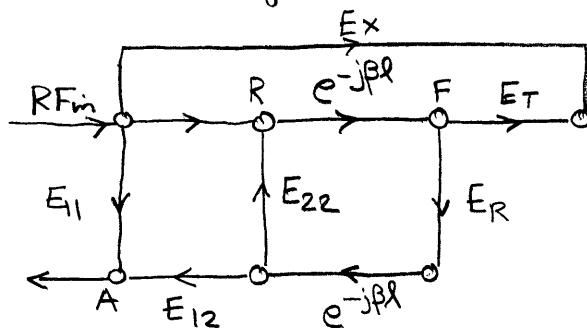
Through: directly connect ports 1 and 2 of the DUT



Reflect: use a load with high reflectivity and the same reflection coefficient for both input and output ports of the DUT.



Through: Connect ports 1 and 2 by a transmission line matched to the impedance of the error boxes.



See: G.F. Engen & C.A. Hoer, "Thru-Reflect-Line: An Improved Technique for Calibrating the Dual Six-Port Automatic Network Analyzer," IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory and Techniques, Vol. MTT-27, pp. 987-998, 1979.