

# ECE 453

# Wireless Communication Systems

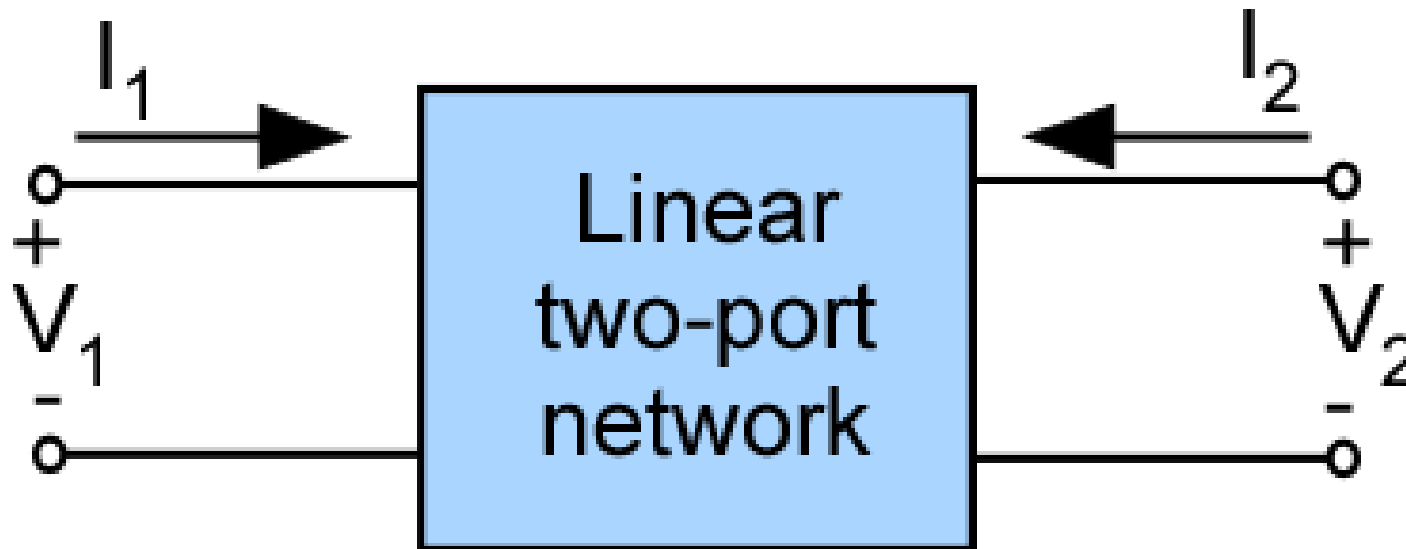
## Network Parameters

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# Properties of Real Networks

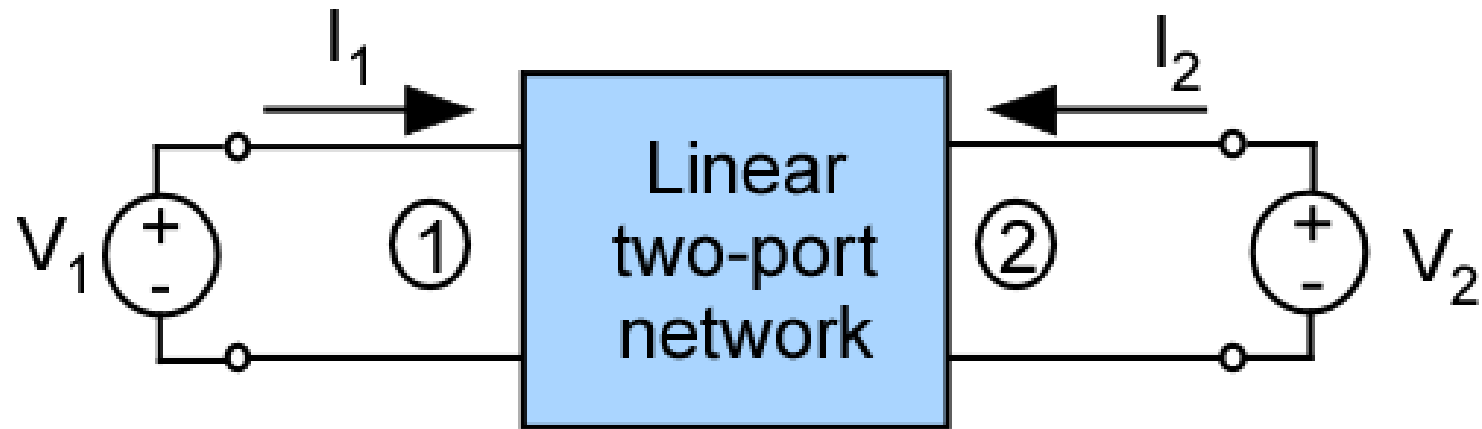
- **Symmetry**
- **Reciprocity**
- **Reality**
- **Stability**
- **Causality**
- **Passivity**

# Transfer Function Representation



Use a two-terminal representation of system for input and output

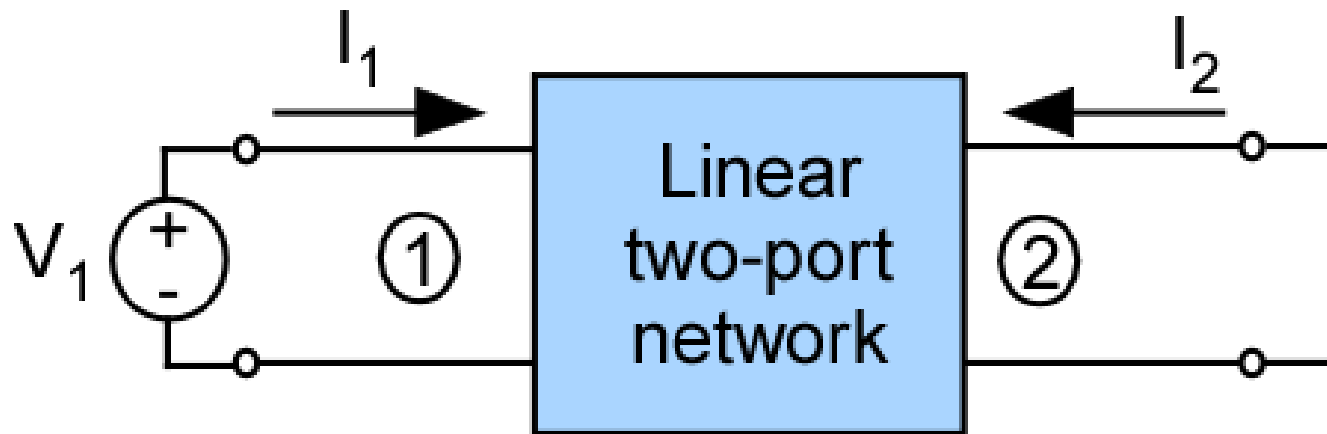
# Y-parameter Representation



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$$I_2 = y_{21}V_1 + y_{22}V_2$$

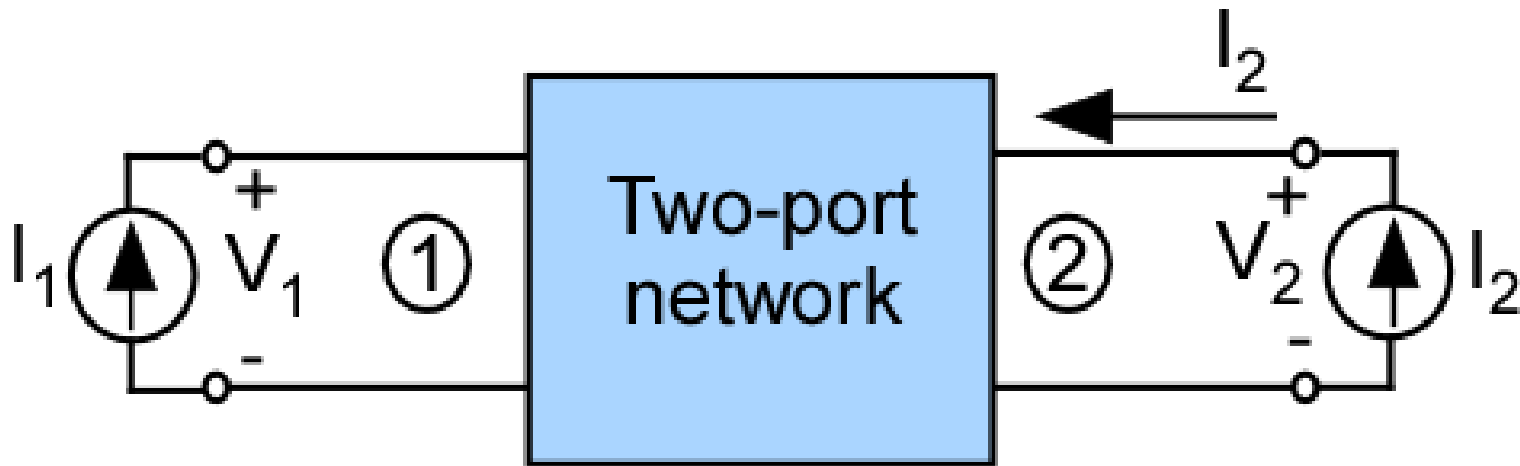
# Y Parameter Calculations



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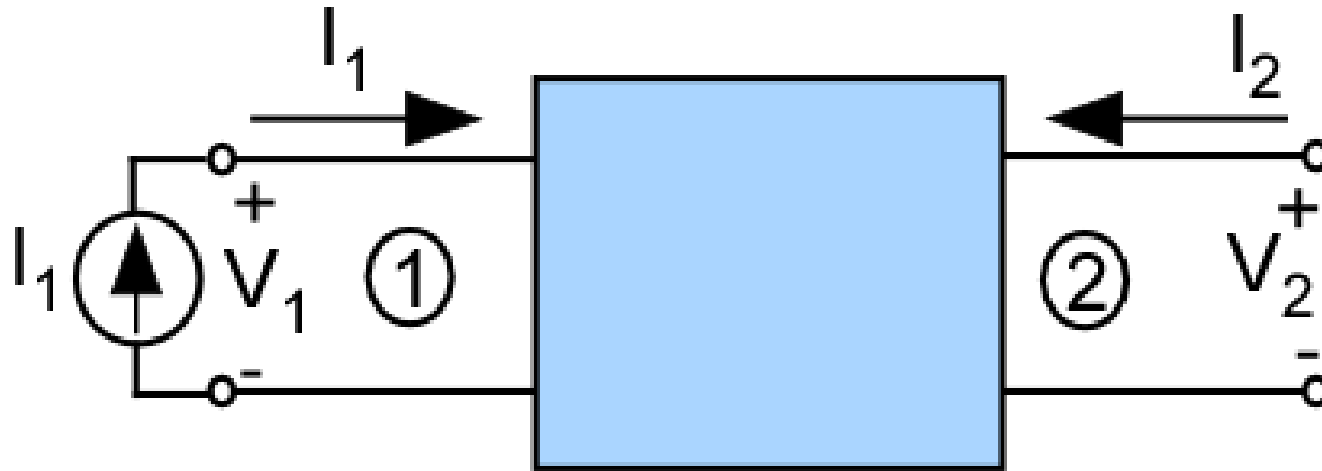
# Z Parameters



$$V_1 = z_{11}I_1 + z_{12}I_2$$

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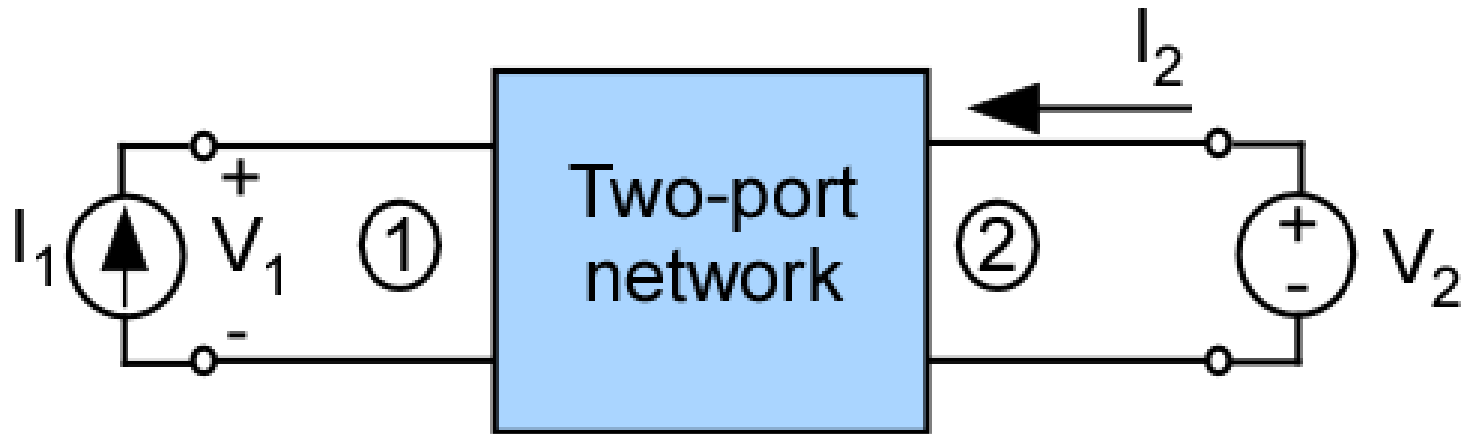
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To make  $I_2=0$ , place an open at port 2

# H Parameters

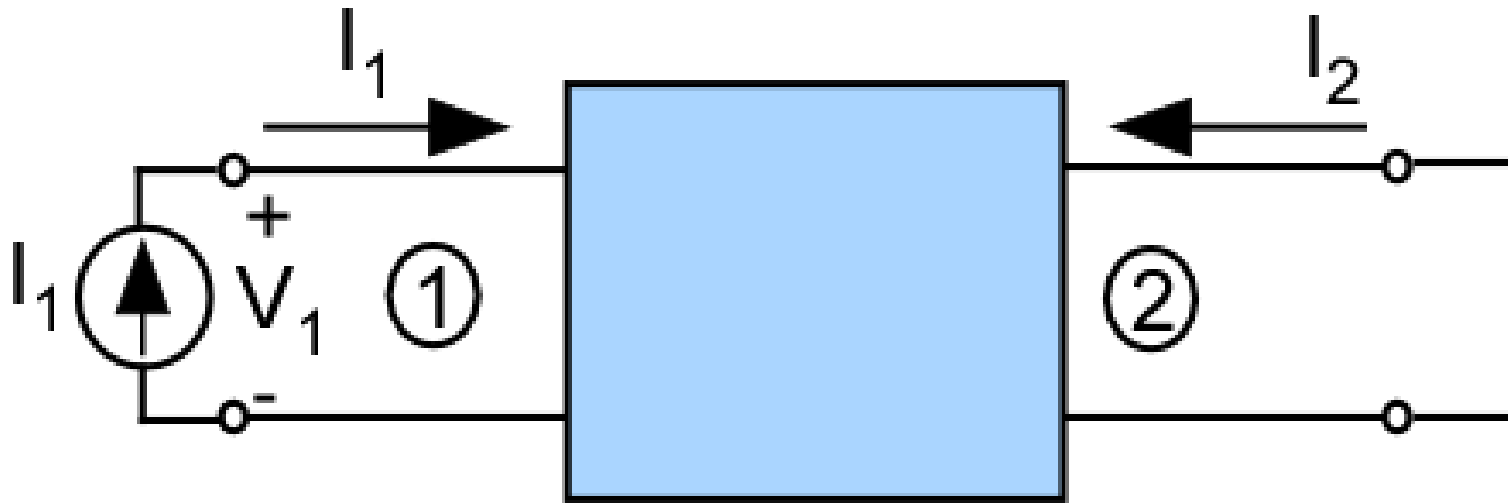


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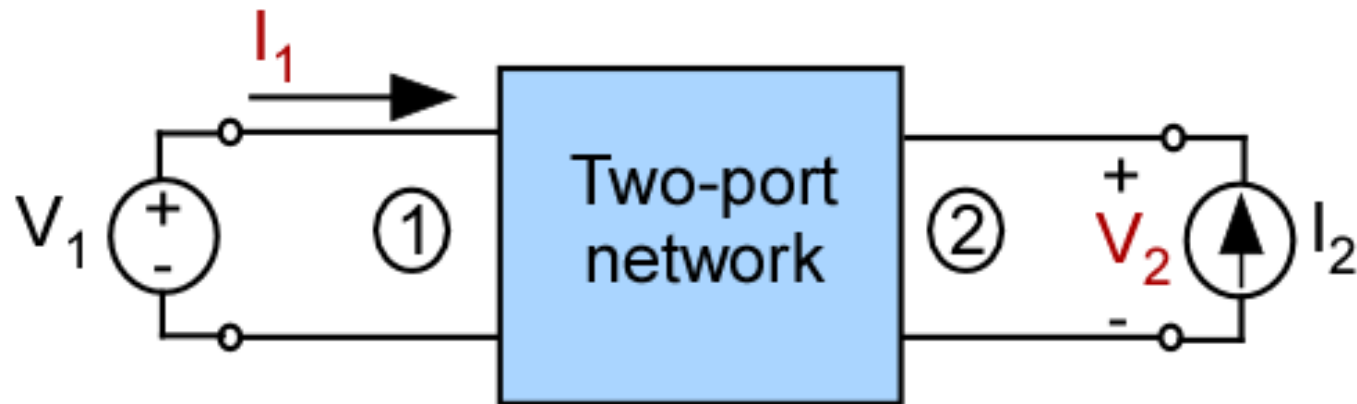
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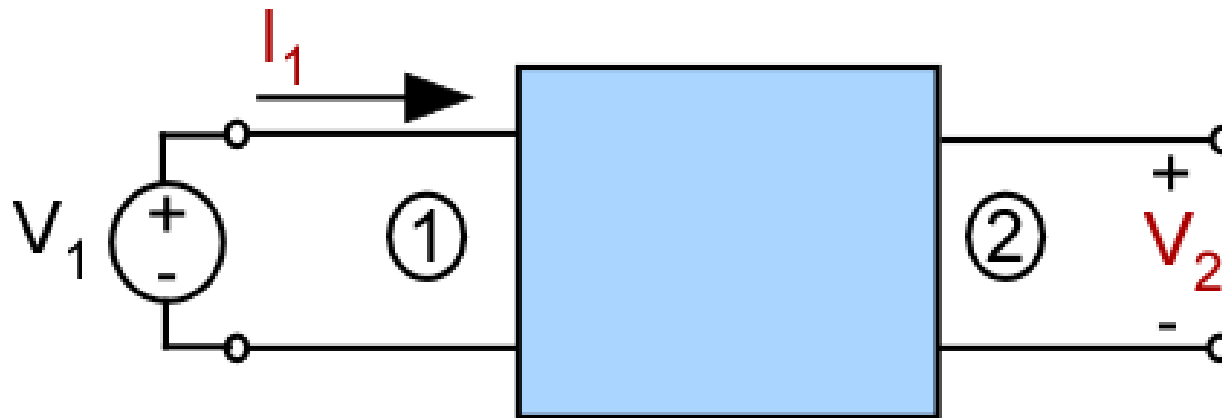
# G Parameters



$$I_1 = g_{11}V_1 + g_{12}I_2$$

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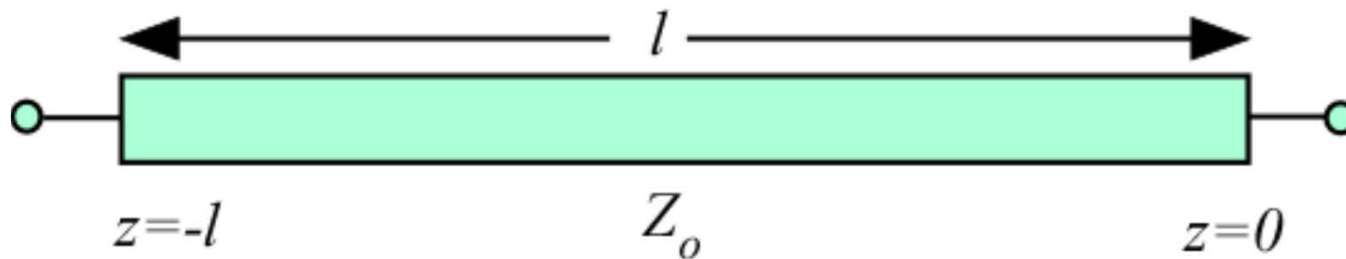
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# Y-Parameters of TL



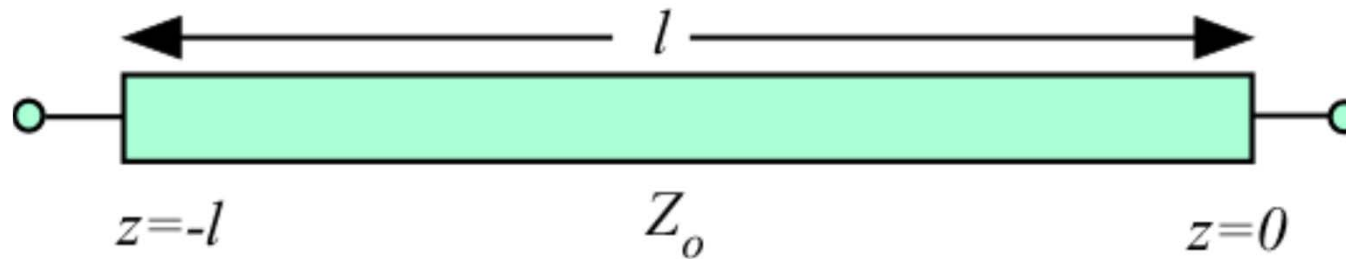
Find the Y-parameters of a lossless transmission line with propagation constant  $\beta$  and characteristic impedance  $Z_o$  (admittance  $Y_o$ )

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

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

Let port 1 be at  $z=-l$  and port 2 at  $z=0$

# Y-Parameters of TL



at port 1

$$V_1 = V_+ e^{+j\beta l} + V_- e^{-j\beta l}$$

$$I_1 = Y_o (V_+ e^{+j\beta l} - V_- e^{-j\beta l})$$

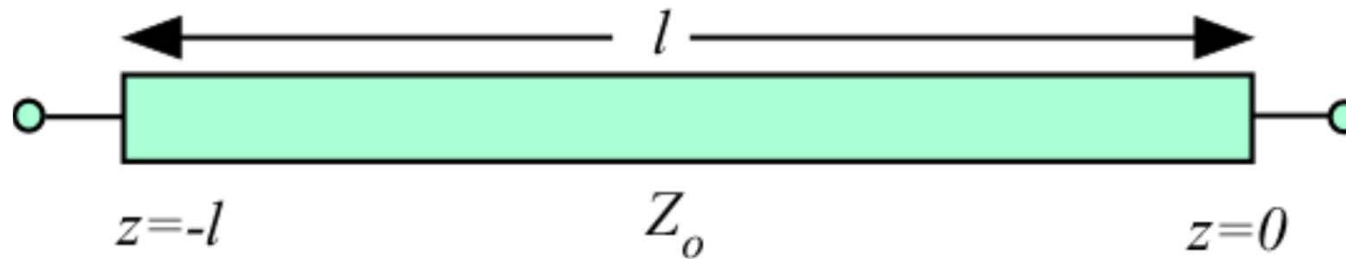
at port 2 ( $z = 0$ )

$$V_2 = V_+ + V_-$$

$$I_2 = -Y_o (V_+ - V_-)$$

$$V_+ = \frac{V_2 - Z_o I_2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad V_- = \frac{V_2 + Z_o I_2}{2}$$

# Y-Parameters of TL



So that

$$V_1 = \left( \frac{V_2 - Z_o I_2}{2} \right) e^{+j\beta l} + \left( \frac{V_2 + Z_o I_2}{2} \right) e^{-j\beta l}$$

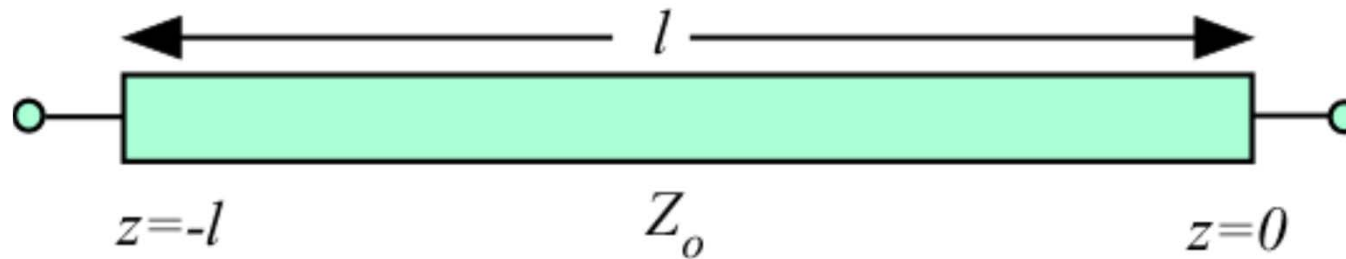
$$I_1 = Y_o \left( \frac{V_2 - Z_o I_2}{2} \right) e^{+j\beta l} - Y_o \left( \frac{V_2 + Z_o I_2}{2} \right) e^{-j\beta l}$$

and

$$V_1 = V_2 \cos \beta l - Z_o I_2 j \sin \beta l$$

$$I_1 = +Y_o V_2 j \sin \beta l - I_2 \cos \beta l$$

# Y-Parameters of TL



Using definitions for  $Y_{11}$

$$Y_{11} = \left. \frac{I_1}{V_1} \right|_{V_2=0} = \frac{-I_2 \cos \beta l}{-jZ_o I_2 \sin \beta l} = \frac{-jY_o \cos \beta l}{\sin \beta l}$$

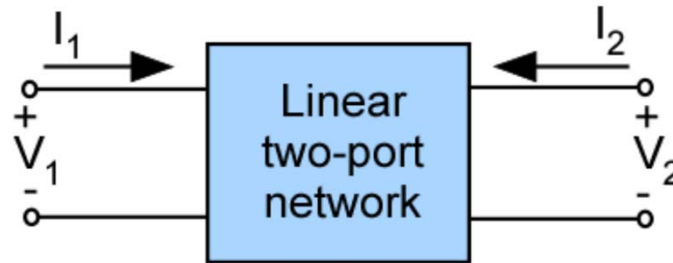
and

$$Y_{21} = \left. \frac{I_2}{V_1} \right|_{V_2=0} = \frac{-I_2}{-jZ_o I_2 \sin \beta l} = \frac{+jY_o}{\sin \beta l}$$

$$Y_{22} = Y_{11} \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$Y_{12} = Y_{21} \text{ by reciprocity}$$

# TWO-PORT NETWORK REPRESENTATION



## Z Parameters

$$V_1 = Z_{11}I_1 + Z_{12}I_2$$

$$V_2 = Z_{21}I_1 + Z_{22}I_2$$

## Y Parameters

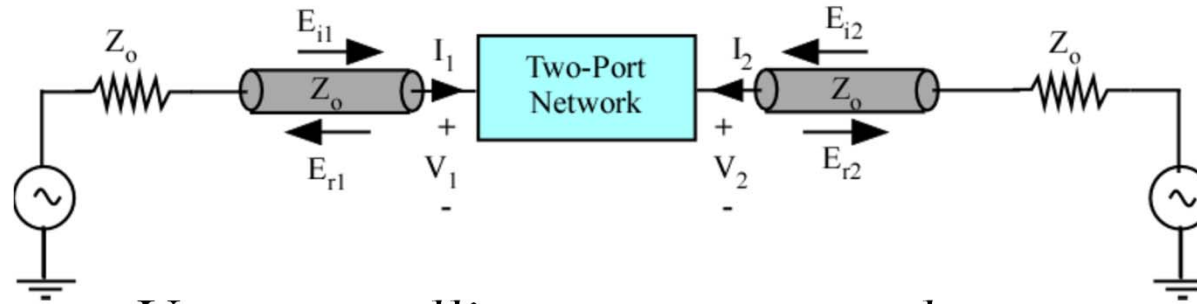
$$I_1 = Y_{11}V_1 + Y_{12}V_2$$

$$I_2 = Y_{21}V_1 + Y_{22}V_2$$

- **At microwave frequencies, it is more difficult to measure total voltages and currents.**
- **Short and open circuits are difficult to achieve at high frequencies.**
- **Most active devices are not short- or open-circuit stable.**



# Wave Approach



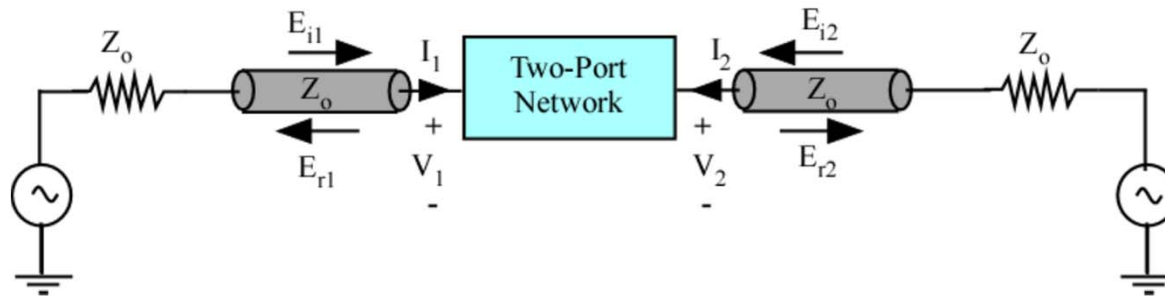
*Use a travelling wave approach*

$$V_1 = E_{i1} + E_{r1} \quad V_2 = E_{i2} + E_{r2}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{E_{i1} - E_{r1}}{Z_o} \quad I_2 = \frac{E_{i2} - E_{r2}}{Z_o}$$

- **Total voltage and current are made up of sums of forward and backward traveling waves.**
- **Traveling waves can be determined from standing-wave ratio.**

# Wave Approach



$$a_1 = \frac{E_{i1}}{\sqrt{Z_o}}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{E_{i2}}{\sqrt{Z_o}}$$

$$b_1 = \frac{E_{r1}}{\sqrt{Z_o}}$$

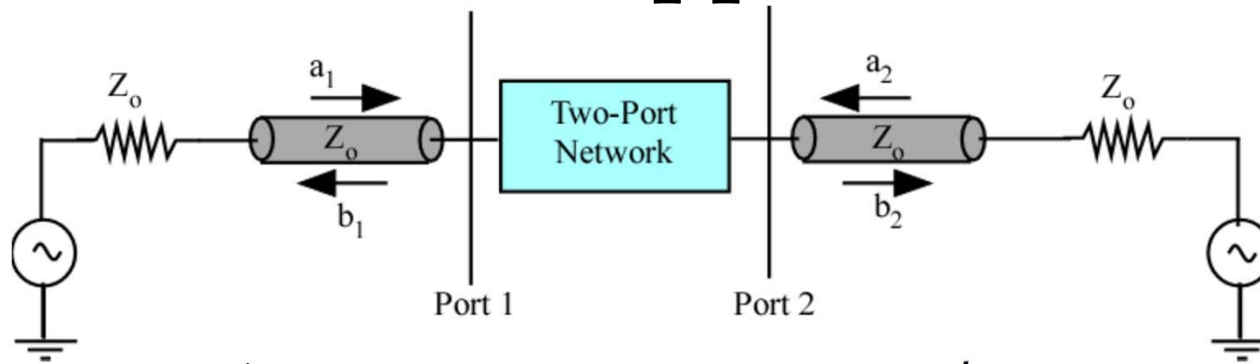
$$b_2 = \frac{E_{r2}}{\sqrt{Z_o}}$$

**$Z_o$  is the reference impedance of the system**

$$b_1 = S_{11} a_1 + S_{12} a_2$$

$$b_2 = S_{21} a_1 + S_{22} a_2$$

# Wave Approach



$$S_{11} = \frac{b_1}{a_1} \Big|_{a_2=0}$$

$$S_{21} = \frac{b_2}{a_1} \Big|_{a_2=0}$$

$$S_{12} = \frac{b_1}{a_2} \Big|_{a_1=0}$$

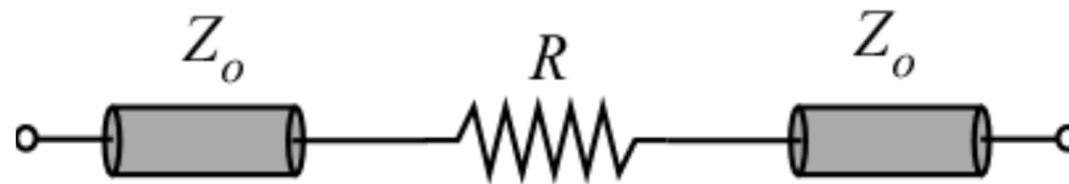
$$S_{22} = \frac{b_2}{a_2} \Big|_{a_1=0}$$

**To make  $a_i = 0$**

- 1) Provide no excitation at port  $i$
- 2) Match port  $i$  to the characteristic impedance of the reference lines.

**CAUTION :  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are the traveling waves in the reference lines.**

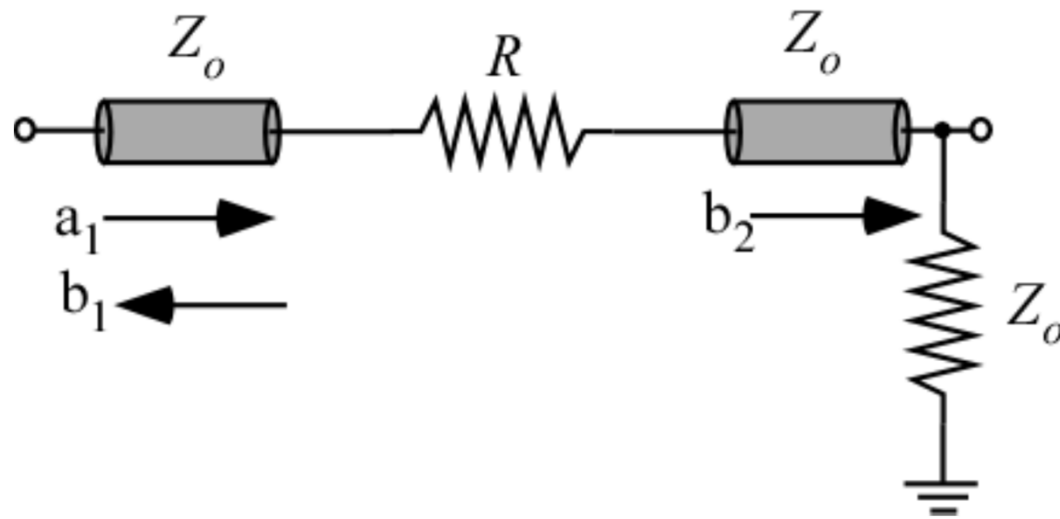
# S-Parameters of Resistor



## Determine S-Parameter of 2-port resistance

- Insert  $R$  between two reference TL
- Provide excitation at port 1 for  $S_{11}$  and  $S_{21}$
- Provide excitation at port 2 for  $S_{12}$  and  $S_{22}$
- Can use symmetry and reciprocity

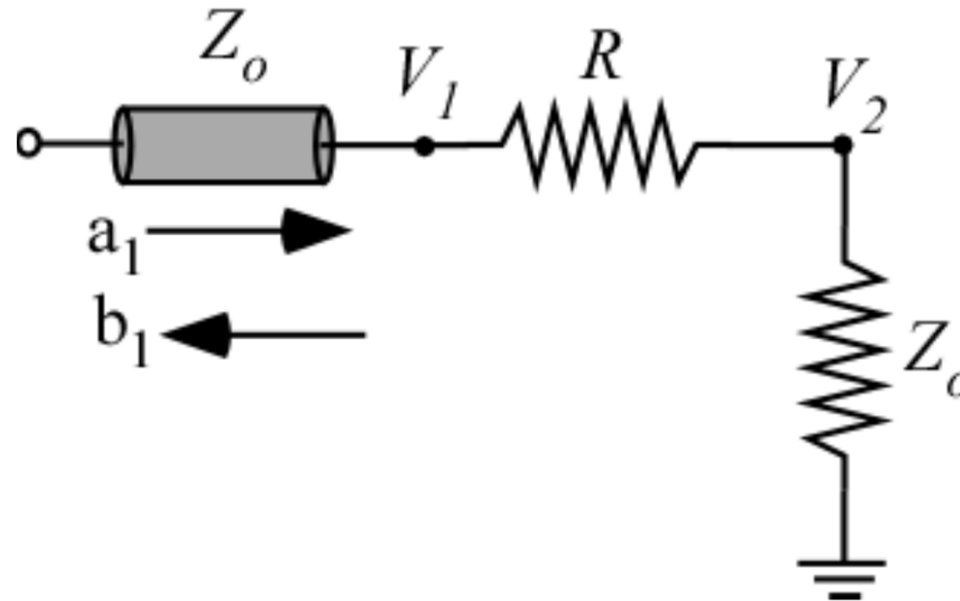
# S-Parameters of Resistor



$$S_{11} = \frac{b_1}{a_1} = \Gamma = \frac{(R + Z_o) - Z_o}{(R + Z_o) + Z_o} = \frac{R}{R + 2Z_o}$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{R}{R + 2Z_o} \quad \text{and by symmetry,} \quad S_{22} = \frac{R}{R + 2Z_o}$$

# Calculating $S_{21}$ of Resistor



Since  $a_2=0$ , the total voltage in port 2 is:  $V_2 = b_2\sqrt{Z_o}$

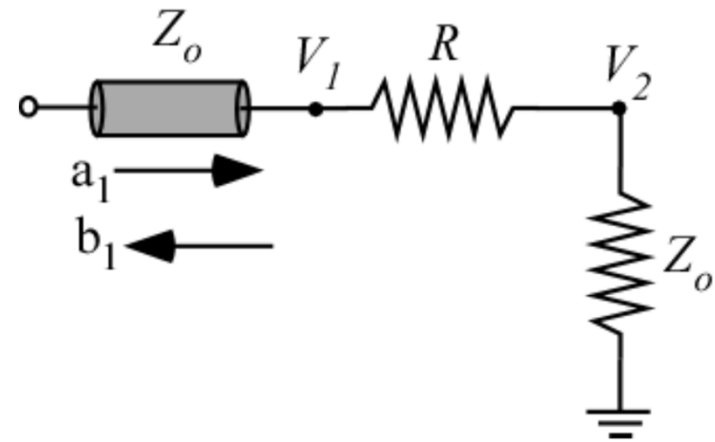
$$V_2 = \frac{V_1 Z_o}{R_1 + Z_o} = \frac{\sqrt{Z_o} (a_1 + b_1) Z_o}{R_1 + Z_o} = \frac{\sqrt{Z_o} (a_1 + S_{11} a_1) Z_o}{R_1 + Z_o}$$

# S-Parameters of Resistor

$$V_2 = \frac{Z_o \sqrt{Z_o} (1 + S_{11}) a_1}{R_1 + Z_o} = \frac{2Z_o a_1 \sqrt{Z_o}}{R_1 + 2Z_o}$$

$$S_{21} = \frac{b_2}{a_1} = \frac{V_2}{\sqrt{Z_o}} \frac{1}{a_1} = \frac{2Z_o}{R + 2Z_o}$$

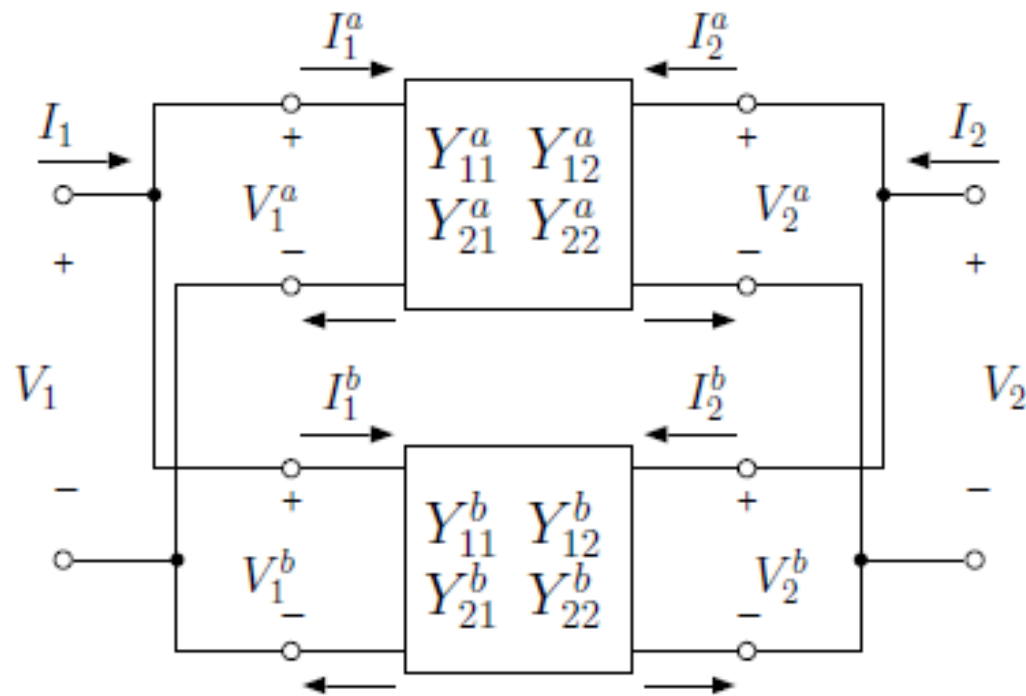
$$S_{21} = \frac{2Z_o}{R + 2Z_o} \quad \text{and by reciprocity,} \quad S_{12} = \frac{2Z_o}{R + 2Z_o}$$



S parameters of  
resistor R

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R}{R + 2Z_o} & \frac{2Z_o}{R + 2Z_o} \\ \frac{2Z_o}{R + 2Z_o} & \frac{R}{R + 2Z_o} \end{bmatrix}$$

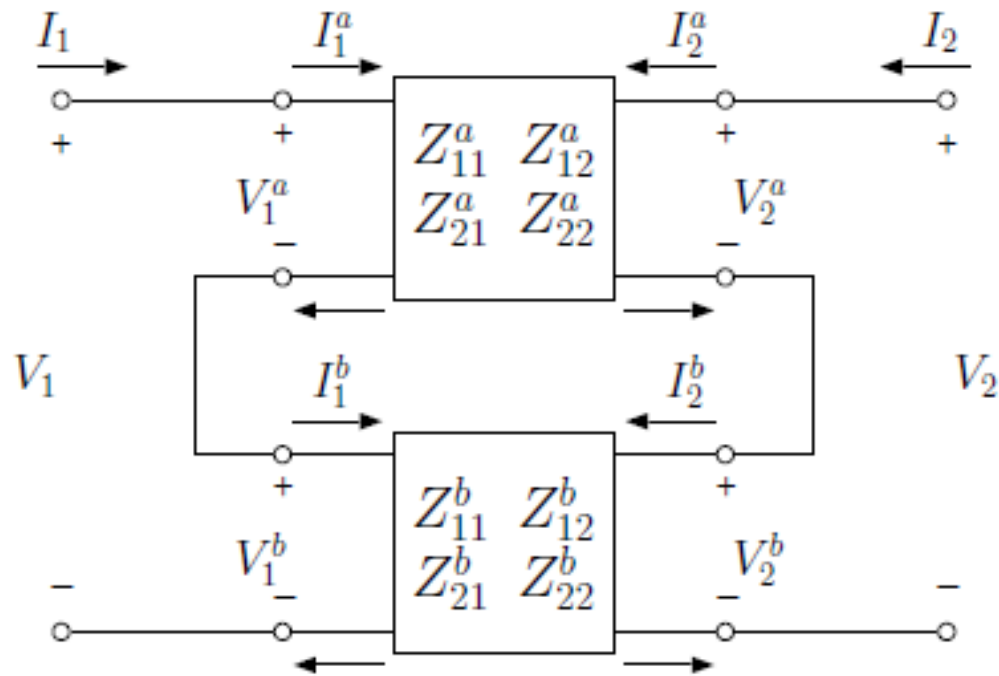
# Two-Ports in Parallel



$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Y}^a + \mathbf{Y}^b$$

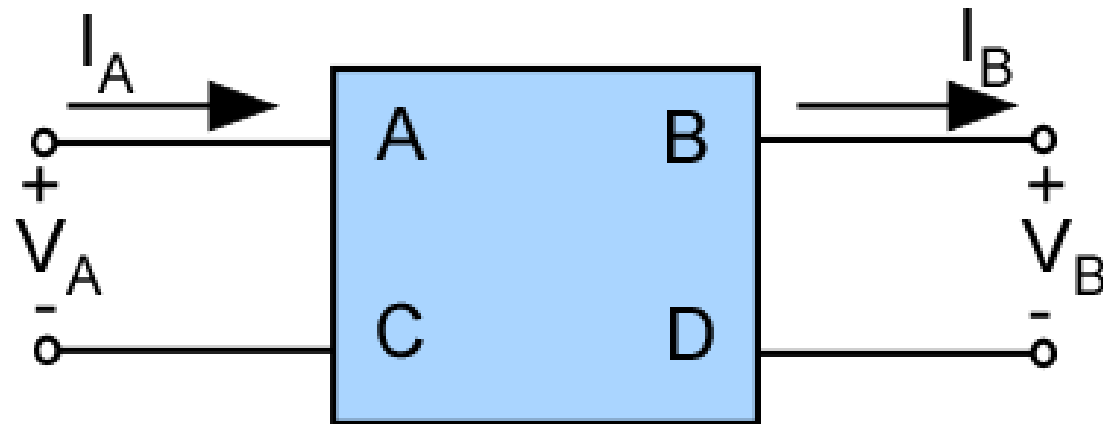


# Two-Ports in Series



$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Z}^a + \mathbf{Z}^b$$

# ABCD -Parameters



$$V_A = AV_B + BI_B$$

$$I_A = CV_B + DI_B$$

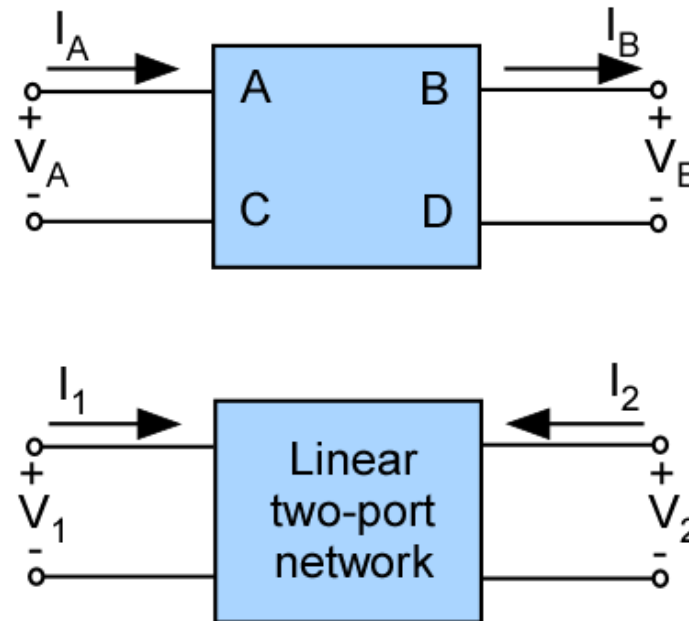
# ABCD -Parameters

$$V_A = V_1$$

$$V_B = V_2$$

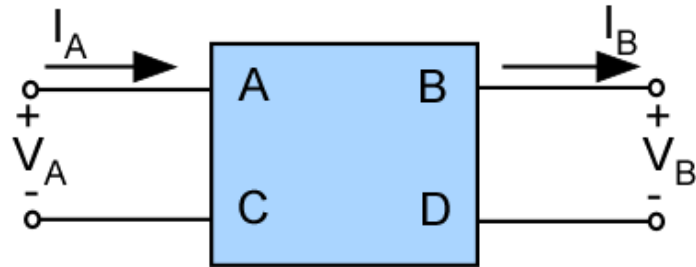
$$I_A = I_1$$

$$I_B = -I_2$$



Relationship with Z parameters is obtained by first expressing ABCD parameters in terms of Z parameters

# ABCD -Parameters



From

$$V_A = Z_{11}I_A - Z_{12}I_B$$

$$V_B = Z_{21}I_A - Z_{22}I_B$$

We get

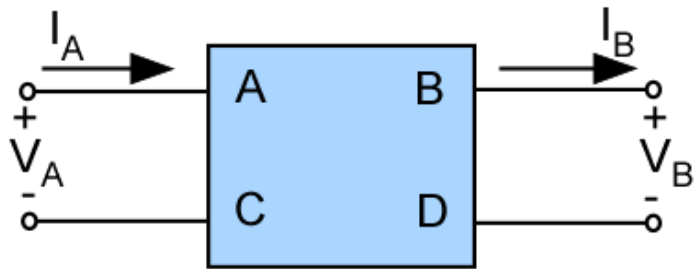


$$A = \frac{Z_{11}}{Z_{21}} \quad B = \frac{\Delta}{Z_{21}}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{Z_{21}} \quad D = \frac{Z_{22}}{Z_{21}}$$

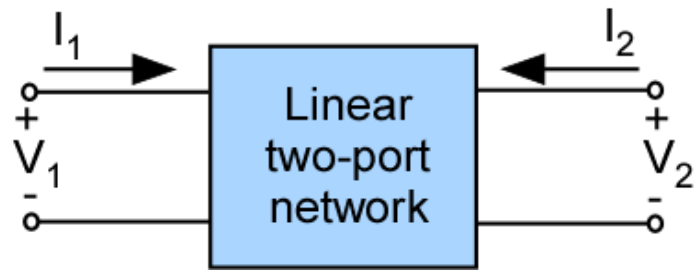
$$\Delta = Z_{11}Z_{22} - Z_{12}Z_{21}$$

# ABCD -Parameters



$$Z_{11} = \frac{A}{C}$$

$$Z_{11} = \frac{(AD - BC)}{C}$$



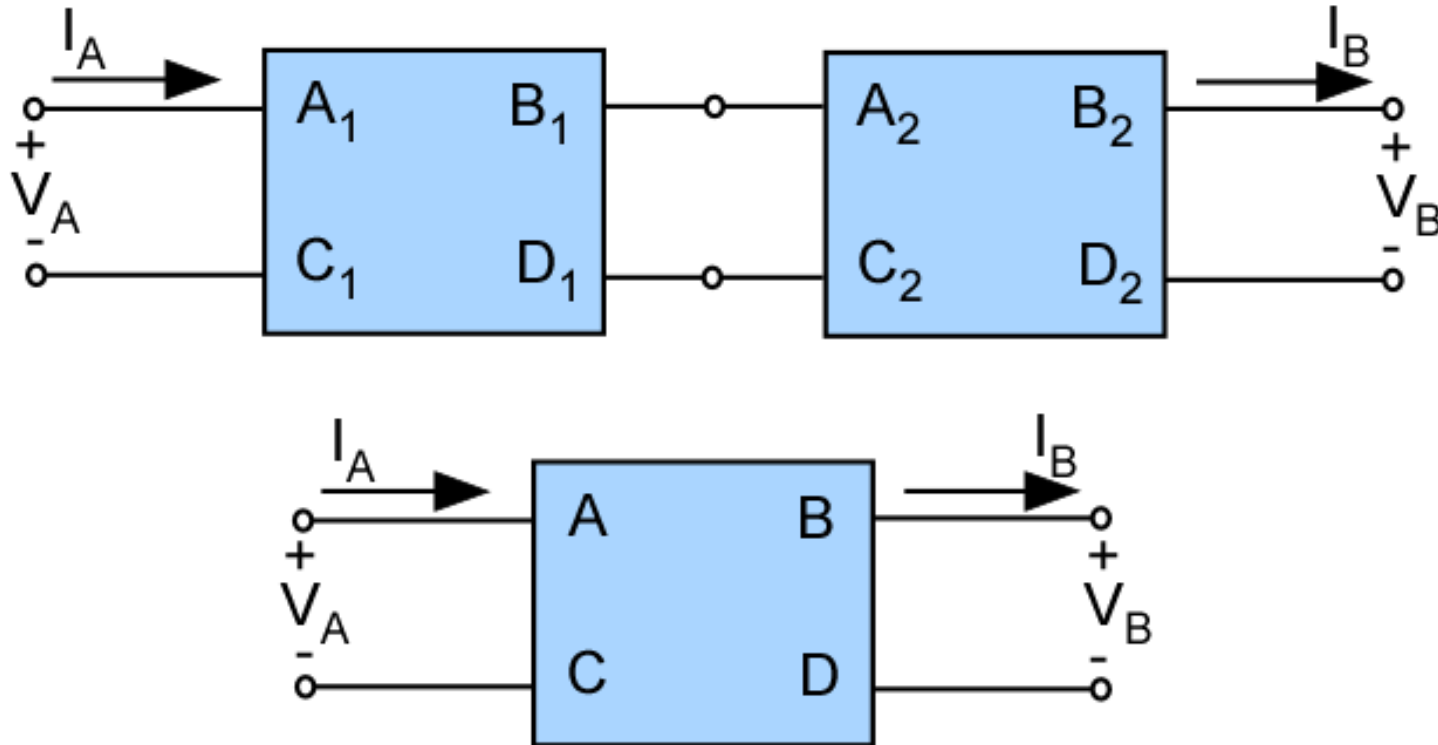
$$Z_{21} = \frac{1}{C}$$

$$Z_{22} = \frac{1}{C}$$

For a reciprocal network,  $Z_{21} = Z_{12}$ , therefore

$$AD - BC = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Reciprocity condition for ABCD parameters}$$

# ABCD -Parameters



When cascading two-ports, it is best to use ABCD parameters. Put voltage and currents in cascable form with the input variables in terms of the output variables

$$ABCD = (ABCD)_1 \cdot (ABCD)_2$$

# Scattering Transfer Parameters

In T-Parameters, traveling waves at the input are related to those at the output

$$b_1 = S_{11}a_1 + S_{12}a_2$$

$$b_1 = T_{11}a_2 + T_{12}b_2$$

$$b_2 = S_{21}a_1 + S_{22}a_2$$

$$a_1 = T_{21}a_2 + T_{22}b_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{12}T_{22}^{-1} & T_{11} - T_{12}T_{21}T_{22}^{-1} \\ T_{22}^{-1} & -T_{21}T_{22}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{12} - S_{11}S_{22}^{-1}S_{21} & S_{11}S_{21}^{-1} \\ -S_{22}^{-1}S_{21} & S_{21}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

T parameters can be cascaded  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T}_A \cdot \mathbf{T}_B$

# Parameter Conversion

## 7.7.1 Converting to Y-parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{Z_{22}}{D_Z} & -\frac{Z_{12}}{D_Z} \\ -\frac{Z_{21}}{D_Z} & \frac{Z_{11}}{D_Z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h_{11}} & -\frac{h_{12}}{h_{11}} \\ \frac{h_{21}}{h_{11}} & \frac{D_h}{h_{11}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D}{B} & -\frac{D_{ABCD}}{B} \\ -\frac{1}{B} & \frac{A}{B} \end{bmatrix}$$

## 7.7.2 Converting to Z-parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{Y_{22}}{D_Y} & -\frac{Y_{12}}{D_Y} \\ -\frac{Y_{21}}{D_Y} & \frac{Y_{11}}{D_Y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D_h}{h_{22}} & \frac{h_{12}}{h_{22}} \\ -\frac{h_{21}}{h_{22}} & \frac{1}{h_{22}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{A}{C} & \frac{D_{ABCD}}{C} \\ \frac{1}{C} & \frac{D}{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

## 7.7.3 Converting to h-parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D_Z}{Z_{22}} & \frac{Z_{12}}{Z_{22}} \\ -\frac{Z_{21}}{Z_{22}} & \frac{1}{Z_{22}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{Y_{11}} & -\frac{Y_{12}}{Y_{11}} \\ \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{11}} & \frac{D_Y}{Y_{11}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{B}{D} & \frac{D_{ABCD}}{D} \\ -\frac{1}{D} & \frac{C}{D} \end{bmatrix}$$

## 7.7.4 Converting to ABCD-parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{Z_{11}}{Z_{21}} & \frac{D_Z}{Z_{21}} \\ \frac{1}{Z_{21}} & \frac{Z_{22}}{Z_{21}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{Y_{22}}{Y_{21}} & -\frac{1}{Y_{21}} \\ -\frac{D_Y}{Y_{21}} & -\frac{Y_{11}}{Y_{21}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{D_h}{h_{21}} & -\frac{h_{11}}{h_{21}} \\ -\frac{h_{22}}{h_{21}} & -\frac{1}{h_{21}} \end{bmatrix}$$



# N-Port S Parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \cdot \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & \cdot & \cdot \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & S_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \cdot \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{a}$$

If  $b_i = 0$ , then no reflected wave on port  $i \rightarrow$  port is matched

$$a_i = \frac{V_i^+}{\sqrt{Z_{oi}}}$$

$V_i^+$  : incident voltage wave in port  $i$

$V_i^-$  : reflected voltage wave in port  $i$

$$b_i = \frac{V_i^-}{\sqrt{Z_{oi}}}$$

$Z_{oi}$  : impedance in port  $i$

# N-Port S Parameters

$$\mathbf{v} = \sqrt{Z_o}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \quad (1) \quad \mathbf{i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_o}}(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) \quad (2) \quad \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{i} \quad (3)$$

Substitute (1) and (2) into (3)

$$\sqrt{Z_o}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{Z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_o}}(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})$$

Defining  $\mathbf{S}$  such that  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{a}$  and substituting for  $\mathbf{b}$

$$Z_o(\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{S})\mathbf{a} = Z_o(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{S})\mathbf{a}$$

$\mathbf{U}$  : unit matrix

$\mathbf{S} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$

$$\mathbf{Z} = Z_o(\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{S})(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{S})^{-1}$$

$\mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{S}$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{Z} + Z_o\mathbf{U})^{-1}(\mathbf{Z} - Z_o\mathbf{U})$$

# N-Port S Parameters

If the port reference impedances are different, we define  $\mathbf{k}$  as

$$\mathbf{k} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{Z_{o1}} & & & \\ & \sqrt{Z_{o2}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sqrt{Z_{on}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})$$

$\mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{S}$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{k}^{-1} + \mathbf{k})(\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{k}^{-1} - \mathbf{k})$$

$\mathbf{S} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{S})(\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{S})^{-1}\mathbf{k}$$

# Normalization

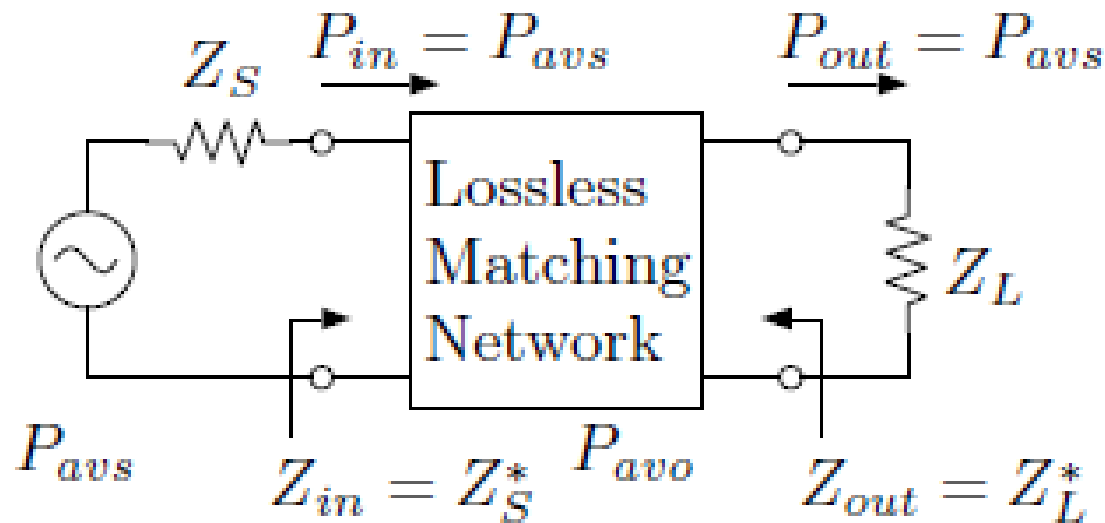
Assume original S parameters as  $S_1$  with system  $k_1$ . Then the representation  $S_2$  on system  $k_2$  is given by

## Transformation Equation

$$S_2 = \left[ \mathbf{k}_1(\mathbf{U} + S_1)(\mathbf{U} - S_1)^{-1} \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_2 \right]^{-1} \left[ \mathbf{k}_1(\mathbf{U} + S_1)(\mathbf{U} - S_1)^{-1} \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_2 \right]$$

If  $Z$  is symmetric,  $S$  is also symmetric

# Power Definitions



$P_{in}$ : Power delivered to input of 2-port

$P_{out}$ : Power delivered to the load

$P_{avs}$ : Power available from the source

# Power Gain Definitions

**Operating  
Power Gain**

$$G = \frac{\text{Power delivered to load}}{\text{Power delivered to input of 2-port}} = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}}$$

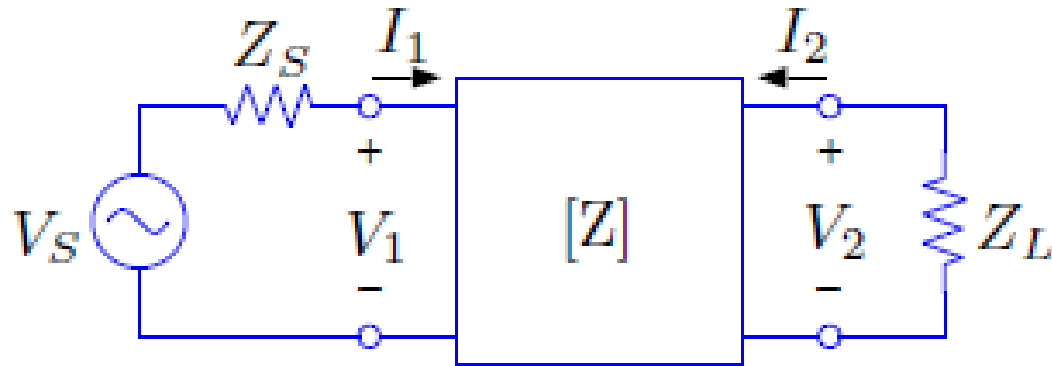
**Transducer  
Power Gain**

$$G_T = \frac{\text{Power delivered to load}}{\text{Power available from source}} = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{avs}}$$

**Available  
Power Gain**

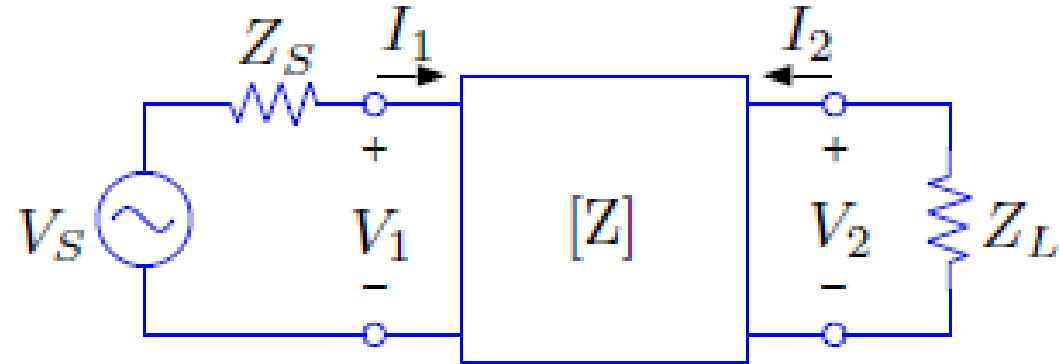
$$G_A = \frac{\text{Power available from output}}{\text{Power available from source}} = \frac{P_{avo}}{P_{avs}}$$

# Power Available from a Source



$$P_{avs} = \frac{|V_S|^2}{8R_S}$$

# Transducer Gain with Z-Parameters

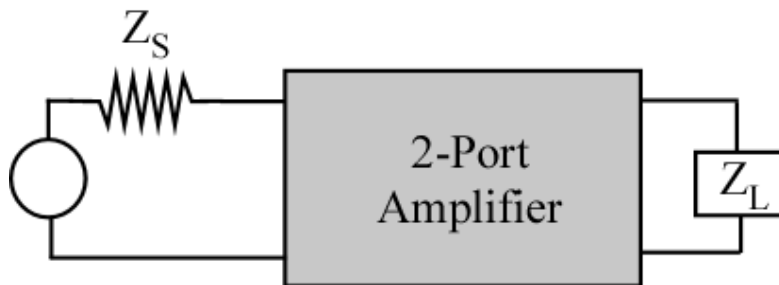


$$G_T = 4 \frac{|Z_{21}|^2 R_L R_S}{|(Z_{11} + Z_S)(Z_{22} + Z_L) - Z_{12}Z_{21}|^2}$$



# Linear Amplifiers

The transducer power gain is defined as the power delivered to the load divided by the power available from the source.



$$P_{avs} = \frac{|b_s|^2}{1 - |\Gamma_s|^2}$$

# Transducer Gain

## Definition of transduced gain

$$G_T = \frac{P_{del}}{P_{avs}} = \frac{|b_2|^2 (1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)}{|b_s|^2 / (1 - |\Gamma_S|^2)}$$

## In terms of two-port scattering parameters

$$G_T = \frac{|S_{21}|^2 (1 - |\Gamma_S|^2) (1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)}{|(1 - S_{11}\Gamma_S)(1 - S_{22}\Gamma_L) - S_{21}S_{12}\Gamma_S\Gamma_L|^2}$$

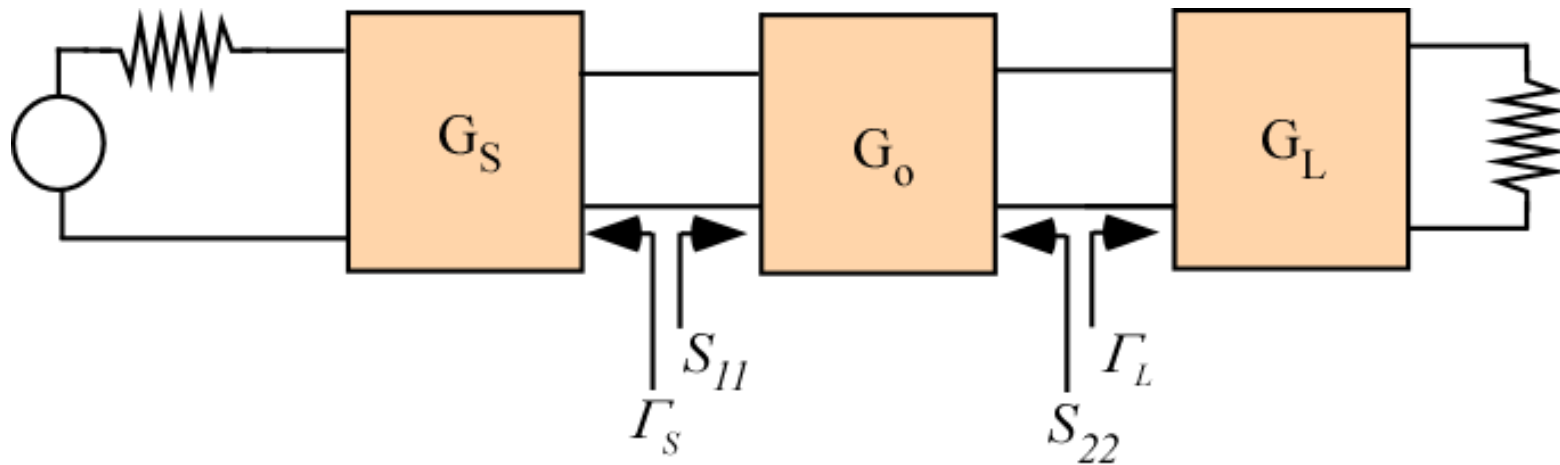
# Linear Amplifiers

If we assume that the network is unilateral, then we can neglect  $S_{12}$  and get the unilateral transducer gain for  $S_{12}=0$ .

$$G_{TU} = |S_{21}|^2 \frac{(1 - |\Gamma_S|^2)}{|1 - S_{11}\Gamma_S|^2} \frac{(1 - |\Gamma_L|^2)}{|1 - S_{22}\Gamma_L|^2}$$

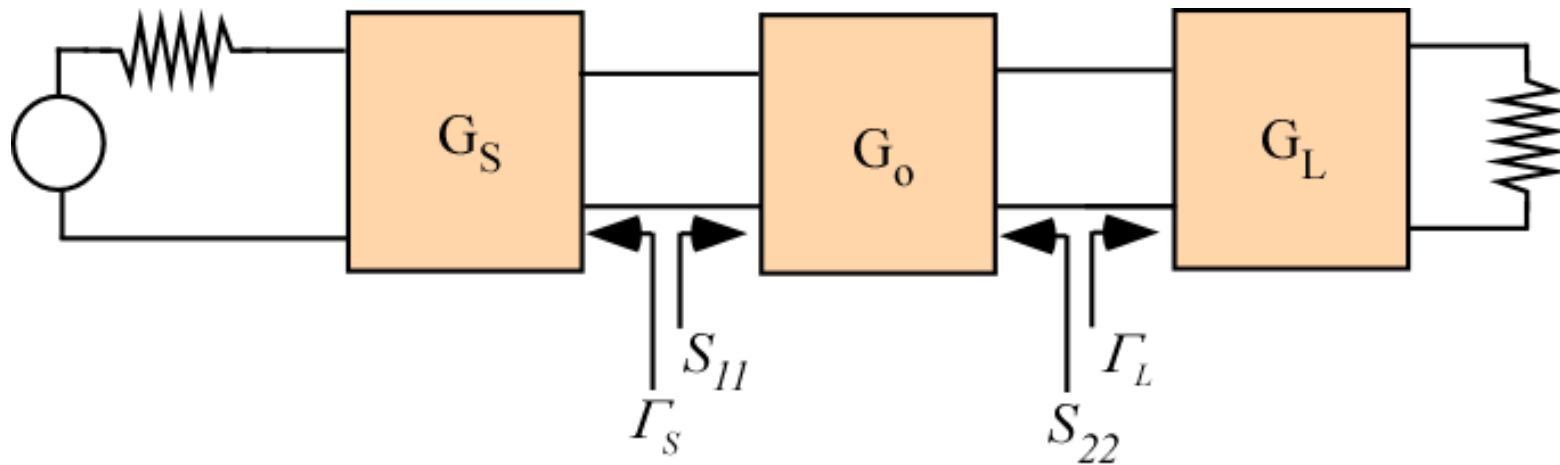
The first term ( $|S_{21}|^2$ ) depends on the transistor. The other 2 terms depend on the source and the load.

# Linear Amplifiers



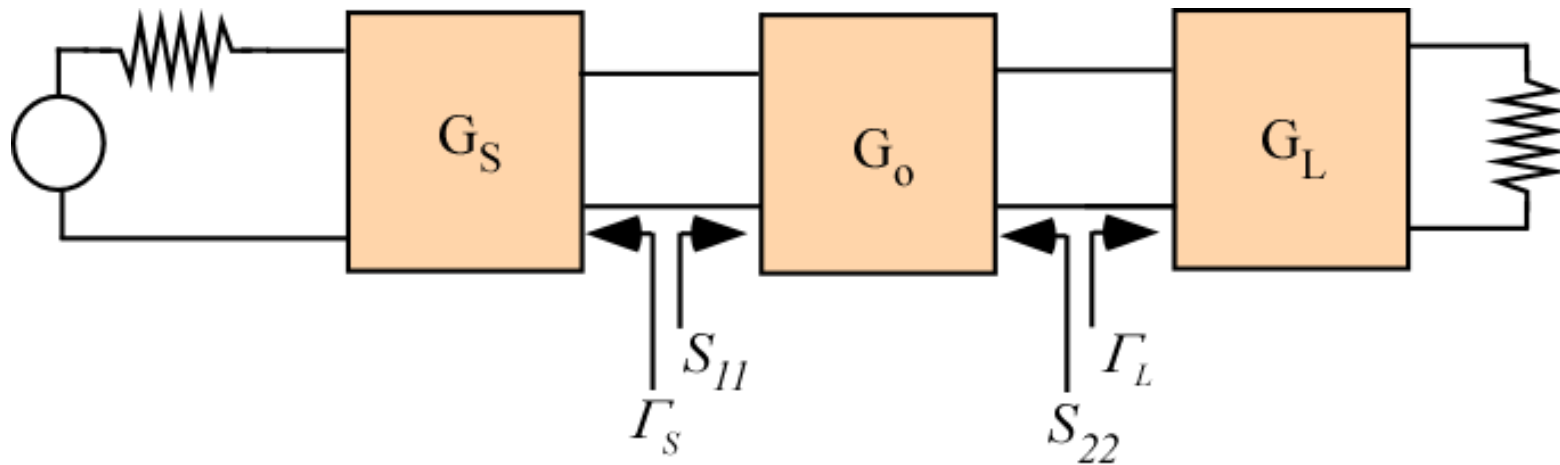
$G_S$  affects the degree of mismatch between the source and the input reflection coefficient of the two-port.

# Linear Amplifiers



$G_L$  affects the degree of mismatch between the load and the output reflection coefficient of the 2-port.

# Linear Amplifiers

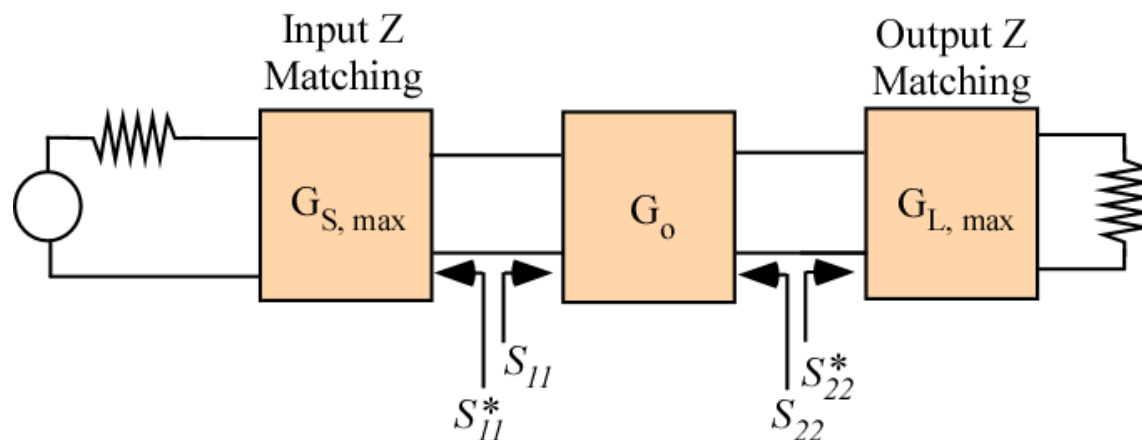


$G_o$  depends on the device and bias conditions

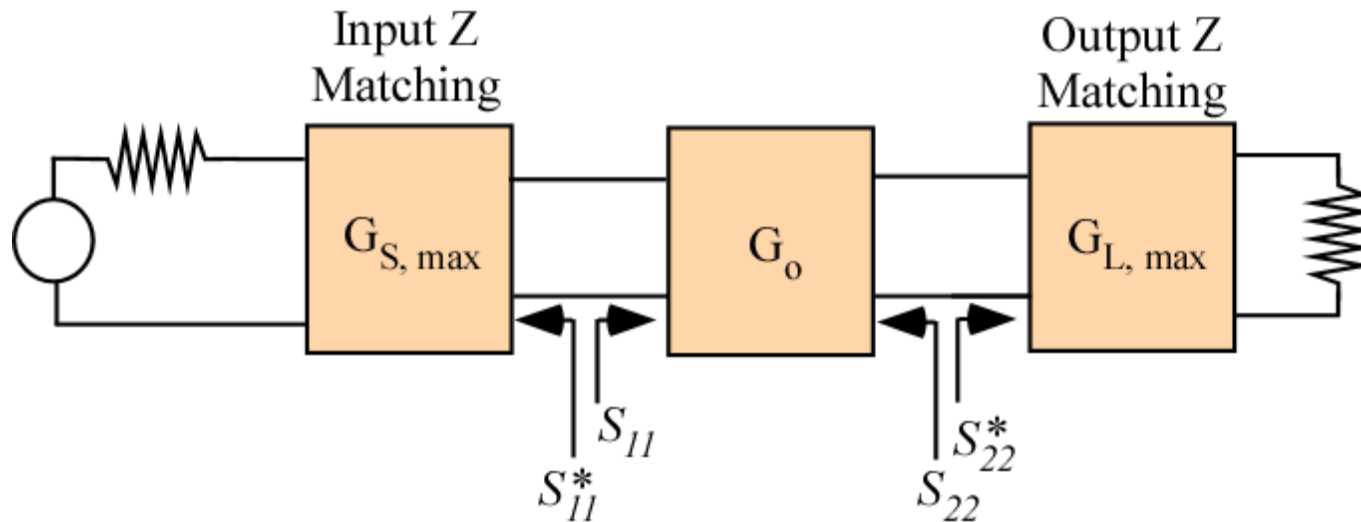
# Linear Amplifiers

Maximum unilateral transducer gain can be accomplished by choosing impedance matching networks such that.

$$\Gamma_S = S_{11}^* \qquad \Gamma_S = S_{22}^*$$
$$G_{UMAX} = \frac{1}{1 - |S_{11}|^2} \cdot |S_{21}|^2 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - |S_{22}|^2}$$



# Linear Amplifiers



$$G_{UMAX} (dB) = G_{S \max} (dB) + G_o (dB) + G_{L \max} (dB)$$

**For**  $\Gamma_S = S_{11}^*$ ,  **$G_S$  is a maximum**

**For**  $|\Gamma_S| = 1$ ,  **$G_S$  is 0**



# Dissipated Power

$$P_d = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}^T (\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S}^*) \mathbf{a}^*$$

The dissipation matrix  $\mathbf{D}$  is given by:

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{U} - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S}^*$$

Passivity insures that the system will always be stable provided that it is connected to another passive network

For passivity

- (1) the determinant of  $\mathbf{D}$  must be  $\geq 0$
- (2) the determinant of the principal minors must be  $\geq 0$

# Dissipated Power

When the dissipation matrix is 0, we have a lossless network →

$$\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S}^* = \mathbf{U}$$

The  $\mathbf{S}$  matrix is unitary.

For a lossless two-port:

$$|S_{11}|^2 + |S_{21}|^2 = 1$$

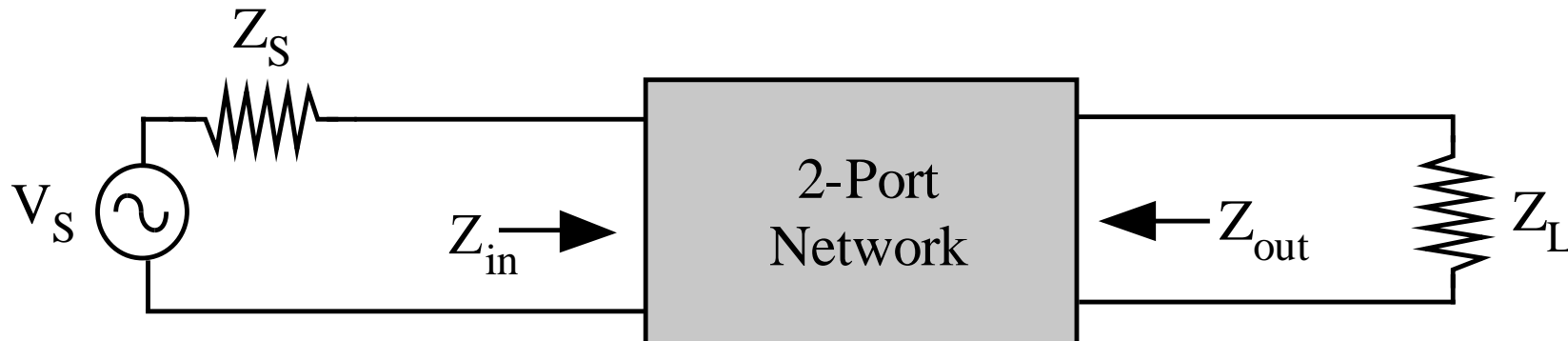
$$|S_{22}|^2 + |S_{12}|^2 = 1$$

If in addition the network is reciprocal, then

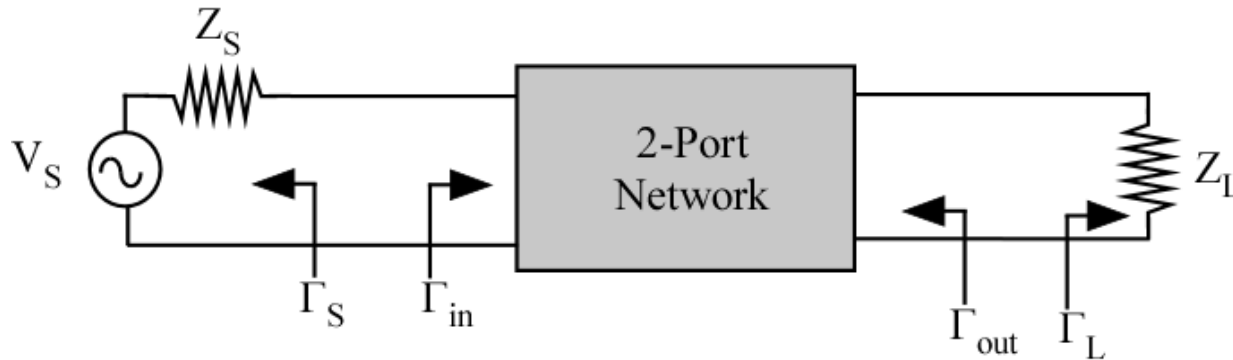
$$S_{12} = S_{21} \quad \text{and} \quad |S_{11}| = |S_{22}| = \sqrt{1 - |S_{12}|^2}$$

# Stability Considerations

Before maximizing transducer gain, and perform conjugate match, it is necessary to study stability of two-port



# Reflection Coefficients



Input reflection coefficient associated with  $Z_{in}$

$$\Gamma_{in} = \frac{b_1}{a_1} = S_{11} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}\Gamma_L}{1 - S_{22}\Gamma_L}$$

Output reflection coefficient associated with  $Z_{out}$

$$\Gamma_{out} = \frac{b_2}{a_2} = S_{22} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}\Gamma_S}{1 - S_{11}\Gamma_S}$$

# Stability

A network is **conditionally stable** if the real part of  $Z_{in}$  and  $Z_{out}$  is greater than zero for **some** positive real source and load impedances at a specific frequency

A network is **unconditionally stable** if the real part of  $Z_{in}$  and  $Z_{out}$  is greater than zero for **all** positive real source and load impedances at a specific frequency

# Stability Factor

Positive real source and load impedances imply that

$$|\Gamma_S| \text{ and } |\Gamma_L| \leq 1$$

If we want to match input and output for maximum power transfer, we have

$$\Gamma_S = \Gamma_{in}^* \qquad \Gamma_L = \Gamma_{out}^*$$

The *K* or *Rollet Stability Factor* for stability requires that

$$K = \frac{1 + |S_{11}S_{22} - S_{12}S_{21}|^2 - |S_{11}|^2 - |S_{22}|^2}{2|S_{12}||S_{21}|} > 1$$

**K factor must not be considered alone**

# Stability Circle

$$|\Gamma_{in}| = \left| S_{11} + \frac{S_{21}S_{12}\Gamma_L}{1 - S_{22}\Gamma_L} \right| = 1$$

The solution for  $\Gamma_L$  will lie on a circle

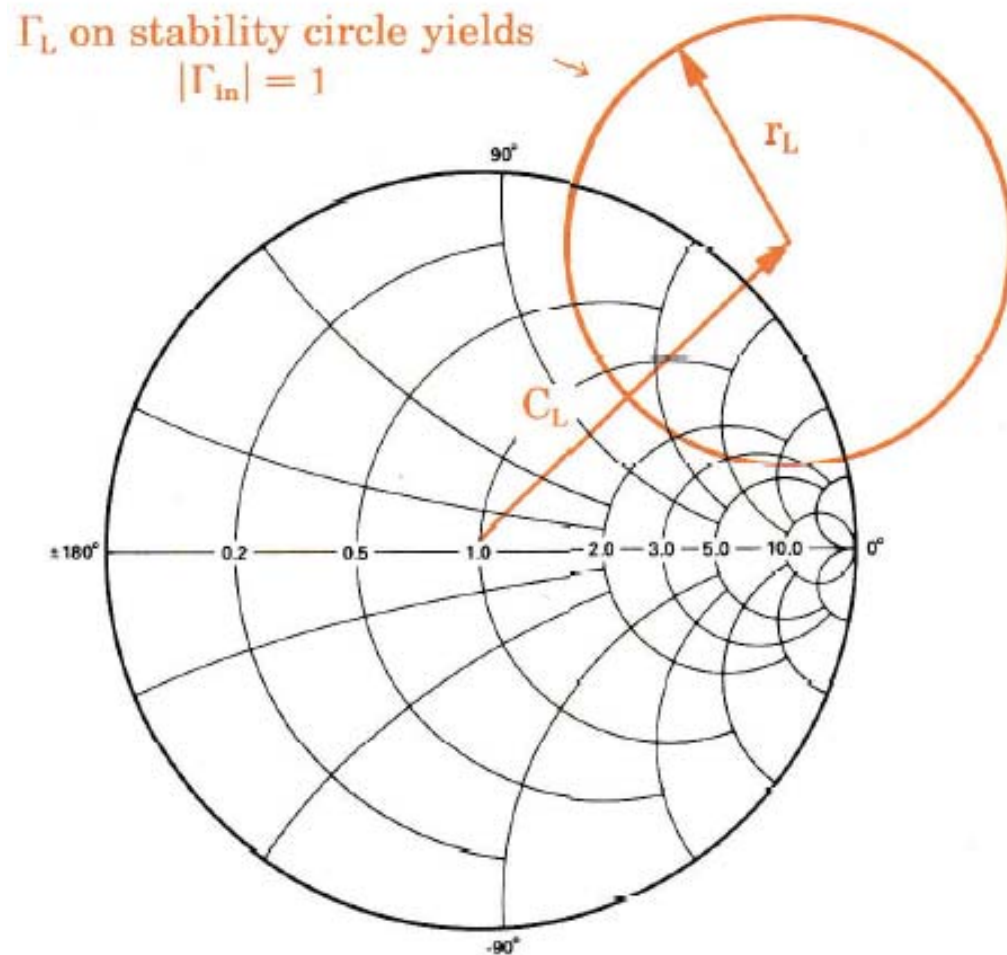
$$\text{radius} = r_L = \left| \frac{S_{21}S_{12}}{|S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2} \right|$$

$$\text{center} = C_L = \frac{(S_{22} - \Delta S_{11}^*)^*}{|S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2}$$

$$\Delta = S_{11}S_{22} - S_{12}S_{21}$$

# Stability Circle for $\Gamma_L$

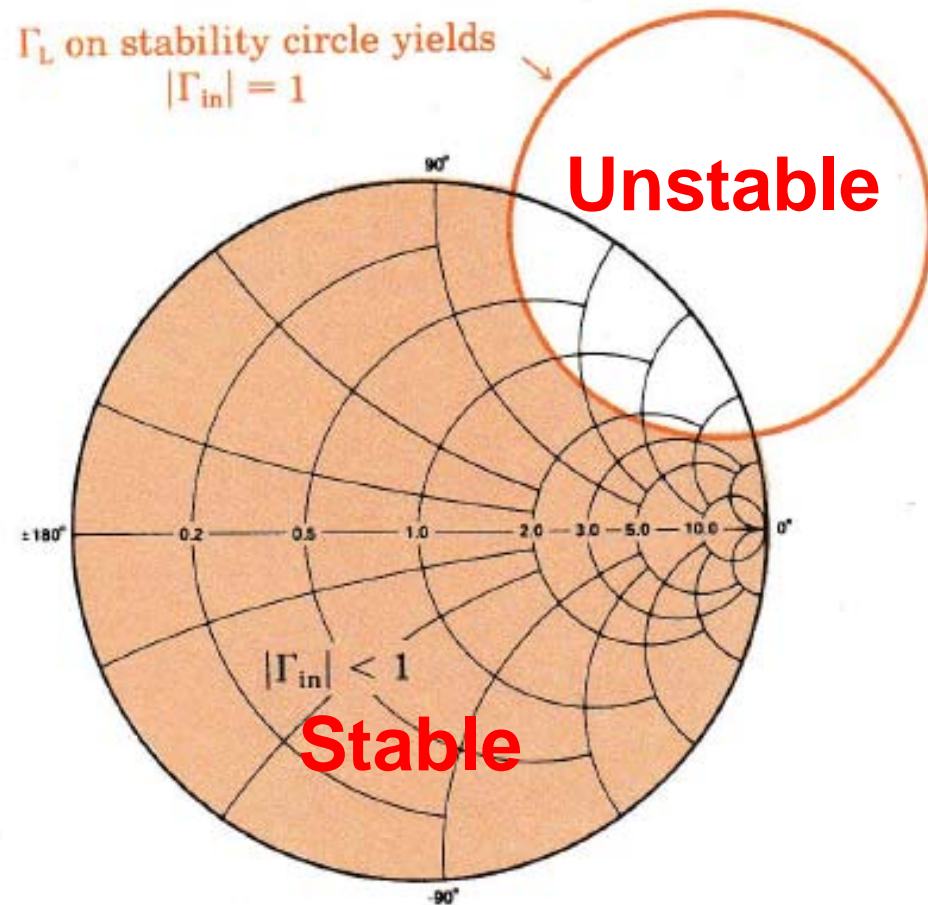
Area inside  
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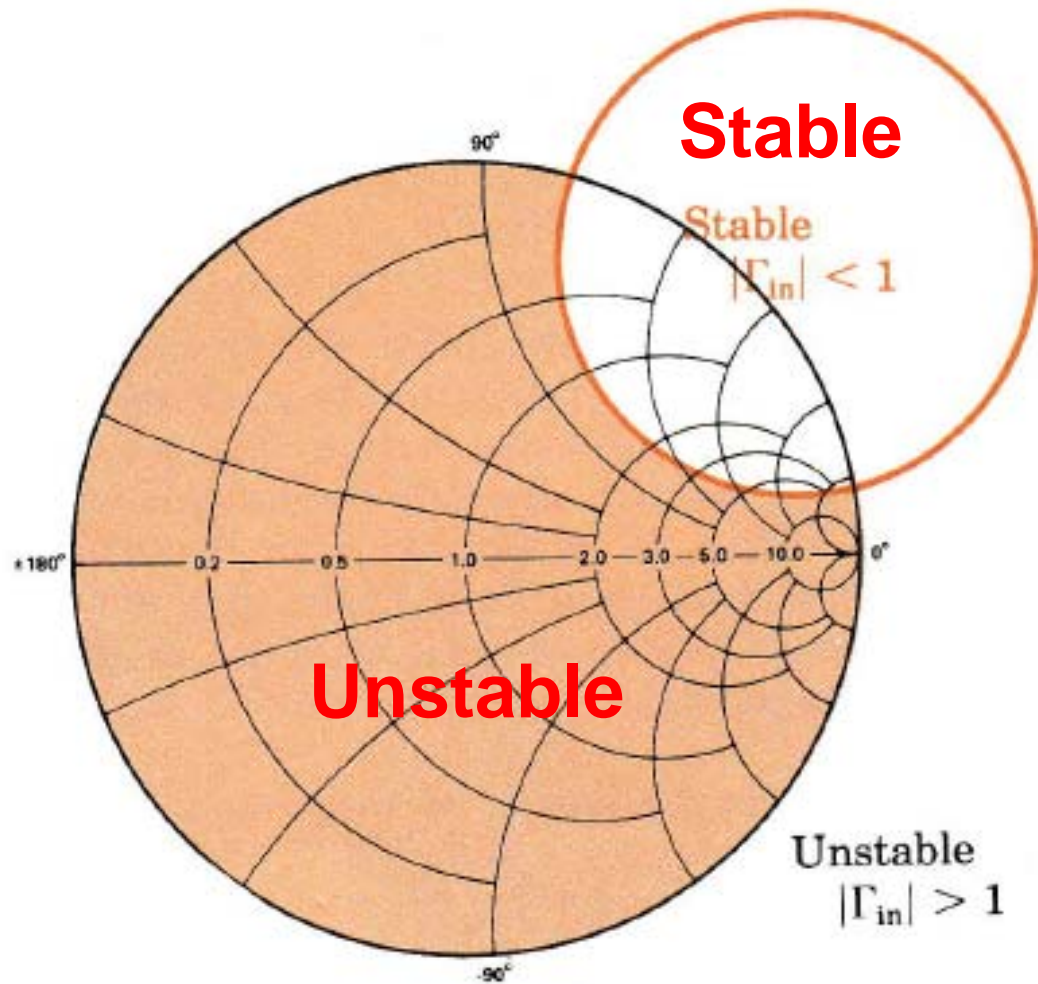
# Stability Circle for $\Gamma_L$

To determine stable area, make  $Z_L = Z_o$  or  $\Gamma_L = 0$ . If  $|\Gamma_{in}| < 1$ , then area corresponding to center of Smith chart is stable.

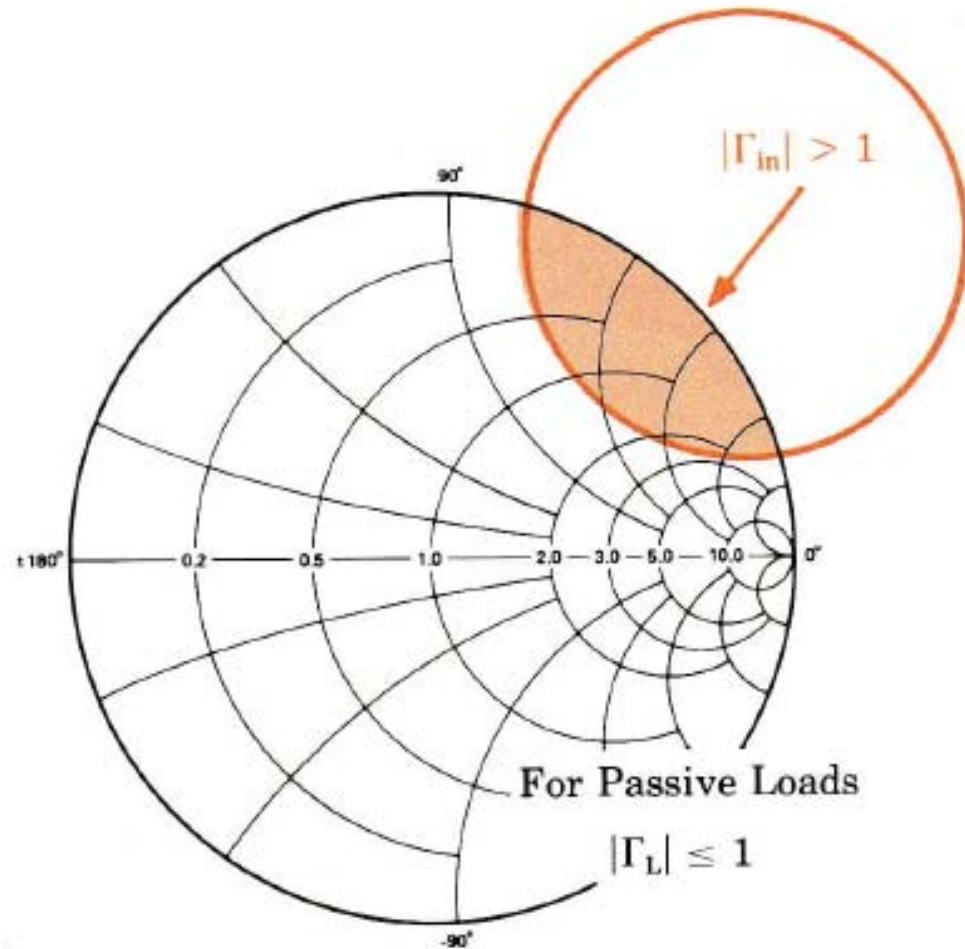


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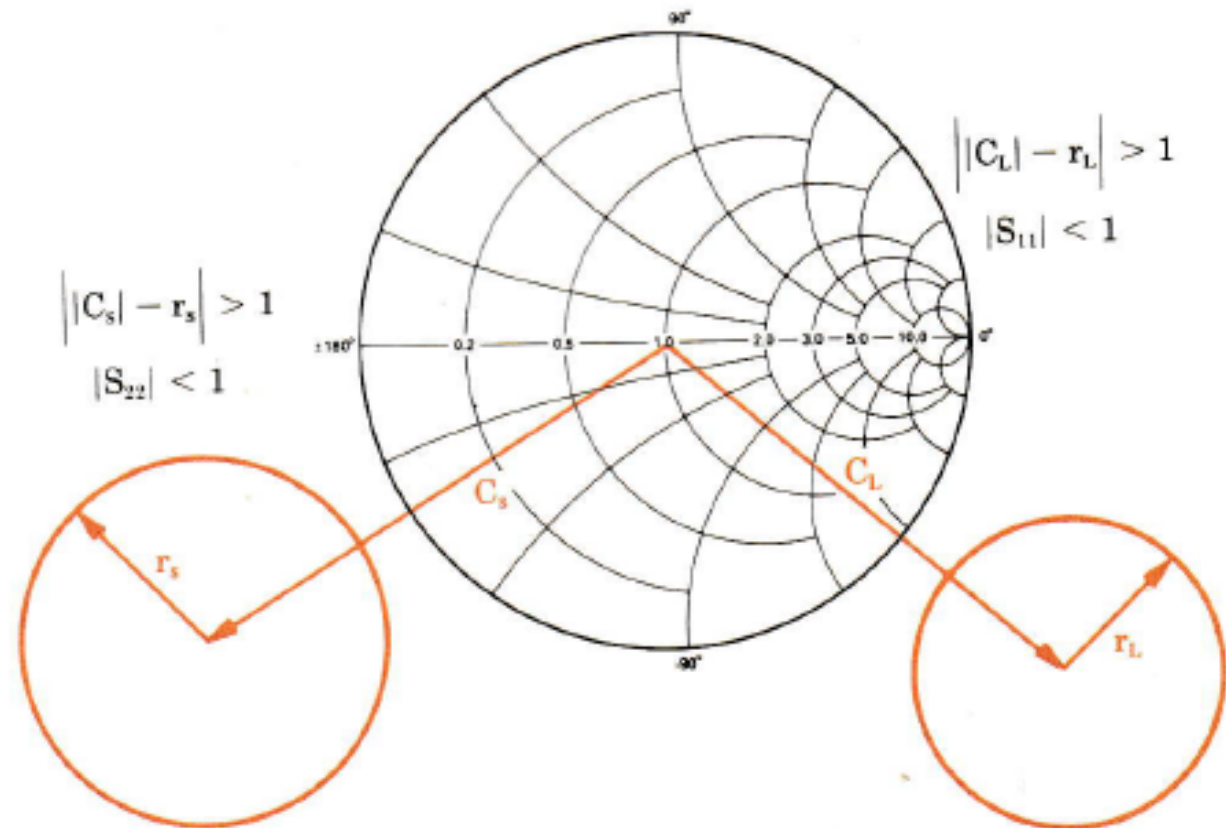


# Stability Circle for $\Gamma_L$



# Unconditional Stability

To insure unconditional stability for any passive load, stability circles must lie completely out of the Smith chart.



# Unconditional Stability

## 1. Case where center of Smith chart is **outside** of stability circle

$$|S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2 > 0$$

$$\frac{|S_{22}^* - \Delta^* S_{11}| - |S_{12} S_{21}|}{\left| |S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2 \right|} > 1$$

## 2. Case where center of Smith chart is **inside** of stability circle

$$|S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2 < 0$$

$$\frac{|S_{12} S_{21}| - |S_{22}^* - \Delta^* S_{11}|}{\left| |S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2 \right|} > 1$$

# Unconditional Stability

Both cases can be combined into a single inequality

$$\frac{|S_{22}^* - \Delta^* S_{11}| - |S_{12} S_{21}|}{\left| |S_{22}|^2 - |\Delta|^2 \right|} > 1$$

which is valid for either case

# Unconditional Stability

## Criteria for unconditional stability

$$K > 1, \quad |S_{12}S_{21}| < 1 - |S_{11}|^2$$

$$K > 1, \quad |S_{12}S_{21}| < 1 - |S_{22}|^2$$

$$K > 1, \quad B_1 > 0$$

$$K > 1, \quad B_2 > 0$$

$$K > 1, \quad |D| < 1$$

$$\mu_{ES} = \frac{1 - |S_{11}|^2}{|S_{22} - S_{11}^* D| + |S_{12}S_{21}|} > 1$$

$$\mu'_{ES} = \frac{1 - |S_{22}|^2}{|S_{11} - S_{22}^* D| + |S_{12}S_{21}|} > 1$$

$$B_1 = 1 + |S_{11}|^2 - |D|^2 - |S_{22}|^2$$

$$B_2 = 1 + |S_{22}|^2 - |D|^2 - |S_{11}|^2$$

$$D = S_{11}S_{22} - S_{12}S_{21}$$

$$K = \frac{1 + |S_{11}S_{22} - S_{12}S_{21}|^2 - |S_{11}|^2 - |S_{22}|^2}{2|S_{12}||S_{21}|} > 1$$



# Stability Circle for $\Gamma_L$

Stability circles are functions of frequency.

