

9. Scattering Matrix

The matrix representations of circuit are addressed focusing on the scattering matrix.

The topics included:

9.1 Definition of scattering matrix

9.2 Scattering matrix of loss-less circuit

9.3 Relation between scattering matrix and other matrices

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9.1 Definition

Along a transmission line

$$V(y) = V_i e^{j\beta y} + V_r e^{-j\beta y} = \sqrt{R_c} \left(\quad + \quad \right)$$

$$I(y) = \frac{1}{R_c} (V_i e^{j\beta y} - V_r e^{-j\beta y}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_c}} \left(\quad - \quad \right)$$

Let's define the following quantity.

$$a(y) = \frac{V_i}{\sqrt{R_c}} e^{j\beta y} \rightarrow |a(y)|^2 = \frac{|V_i|^2}{R_c} : \text{incident power}$$

$$b(y) = \frac{V_r}{\sqrt{R_c}} e^{-j\beta y} \rightarrow |b(y)|^2 = \frac{|V_r|^2}{R_c} : \text{reflected power}$$

$$V(y) = \sqrt{R_c} (a(y) + b(y))$$

$$I(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_c}} (a(y) - b(y))$$



$$a(y) = \frac{V(y) + R_c I(y)}{2\sqrt{R_c}}$$

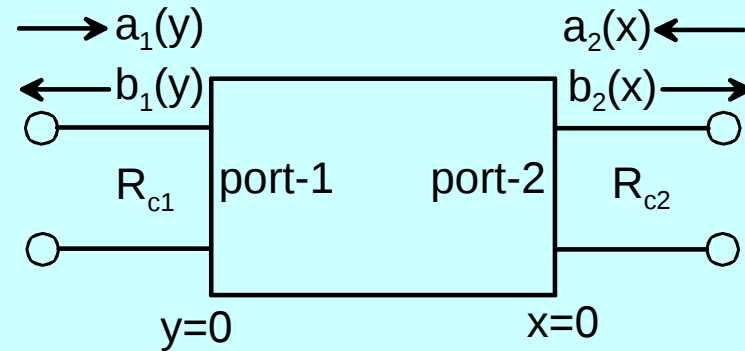
$$b(y) = \frac{V(y) - R_c I(y)}{2\sqrt{R_c}}$$

$$a_1(y) = \frac{V_1(y) + R_{c1}I_1(y)}{2\sqrt{R_{c1}}}$$

$$b_1(y) = \frac{V_1(y) - R_{c1}I_1(y)}{2\sqrt{R_{c1}}}$$

$$a_2(x) = \frac{V_2(x) + R_{c2}I_2(x)}{2\sqrt{R_{c2}}}$$

$$b_2(x) = \frac{V_2(x) - R_{c2}I_2(x)}{2\sqrt{R_{c2}}}$$



Definition of scattering matrix: $a_1 = a_1(0)$, etc

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

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

9.2 Loss-less properties

Input power is given by

$$|a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2 = \mathbf{\tilde{a}a}$$

$\mathbf{\tilde{a}}$: transpose conjugate of $\mathbf{a}$

Loss-less : input power = output power

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

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{Sa}$$

$$\mathbf{\tilde{b}} =$$

$$\mathbf{\tilde{a}a} - \mathbf{\tilde{b}b} = \mathbf{\tilde{a}a} - \mathbf{\tilde{a}SaS^H a} = \mathbf{\tilde{a}(I - SS^H)a} = 0$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{\tilde{S}S} = \mathbf{I}$$

Reciprocity: $\left. \frac{b_2}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_2} \right|_{a_1=0}$

$$\therefore S_{21} = S_{12}$$



$$S_{ij} = S_{ji}$$

9.3 S-matrix and T-matrix

T-matrix

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

suitable for cascade connection

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{T}_1 \begin{pmatrix} b_2' \\ a_2' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_2' \\ a_2' \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{T}_2 \begin{pmatrix} b_2 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \therefore \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_2 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

from the definition of S-matrix

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{S_{21}} b_2 - \frac{S_{22}}{S_{21}} a_2$$

$$b_1 = \frac{S_{11}}{S_{21}} b_2 + \left(S_{12} - \frac{S_{11} S_{22}}{S_{21}} \right) a_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{11} &= \frac{1}{S_{21}}, & T_{12} &= -\frac{S_{22}}{S_{21}} \\ T_{21} &= \frac{S_{11}}{S_{21}}, & T_{22} &= S_{12} - \frac{S_{11} S_{22}}{S_{21}} \end{aligned}$$

S-matrix and Z-matrix

$$a_j = \frac{V_j + R_{cj}I_j}{2\sqrt{R_{cj}}}$$

$$b_j = \frac{V_j - R_{cj}I_j}{2\sqrt{R_{cj}}}$$



$$\boxed{V_j} = \sqrt{R_{cj}}(a_j + b_j)$$

$$\boxed{I_j} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_{cj}}}(a_j - b_j)$$

Then,

$$\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ \vdots \\ V_n \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{R_{c1}} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{R_{c2}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{R_{cn}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{R_{c1}} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{R_{c2}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{R_{cn}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{[V]} = [\sqrt{R}]([a] + [b])$$

$$[\sqrt{R}] = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{R_{c1}} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{R_{c2}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{R_{cn}} \end{pmatrix}$$

S-matrix and Z-matrix

Similarly,

$$[I] = [\sqrt{R}]^{-1}([a] - [b])$$

$$[\sqrt{R}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{R_{c1}} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{R_{c2}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{R_{cn}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{R_{c1}}^{-1} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{R_{c2}}^{-1} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{R_{cn}}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since $[V] = [Z][I]$

$$[V] = [V_i] + [V_r]$$

$$[I] = [R]^{-1}([V_i] - [V_r])$$

$$[V_i] + [V_r] = [Z][R]^{-1}([V_i] - [V_r])$$

$$(1 + [Z][R]^{-1})[V_r] = ([Z][R]^{-1} - 1)[V_i]$$

S-matrix and Z-matrix

$$(1 + [Z][R]^{-1})[V_r] = ([Z][R]^{-1} - 1)[V_i]$$

$$[V_r] = [\sqrt{R}][b] \quad [V_i] = [\sqrt{R}][a]$$

$$[b] = [S][a]$$

$$\text{Thus, } (1 + [Z][R]^{-1})[\sqrt{R}][S] = ([Z][R]^{-1} - 1)[\sqrt{R}]$$

$$\therefore [S] = [\sqrt{R}]^{-1}(1 + [Z][R]^{-1})^{-1}([Z][R]^{-1} - 1)[\sqrt{R}]$$

Especially, when $R_{c_j} = R_0$ ($j = 1, 2, 3 \dots n$)

$$[\sqrt{R}]^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_0}}[1]$$

$$[R]^{-1} = \frac{1}{R_0}[1], \quad [\sqrt{R}] = \sqrt{R_0}[1]$$

$$[S] = \left(1 + \frac{1}{R_0}[Z]\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{R_0}[Z] - 1\right) = ([Z] + R_0)^{-1}([Z] - R_0)$$

9.4 How to find S-matrix elements ?

Simple method:

$$b_1 = S_{11}a_1 \rightarrow S_{11} = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0}$$

$$b_2 = S_{21}a_1 \rightarrow S_{21} = \left. \frac{b_2}{a_1} \right|_{a_2=0}$$

, but $a_2=0$ is hard to realize.

Deshamp's method

Terminate port-2 with an impedance Z_{L2}

→ Reflection by the impedance Z_{L2} is given by $S_2 = \frac{a_2}{b_2} = \frac{Z_{L2} - R_{c2}}{Z_{L2} + R_{c2}}$

$$\frac{b_2}{a_1} = \frac{b_2}{a_2} \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{1}{S_2} \frac{a_2}{a_1} = S_{21} + S_{22} \frac{a_2}{a_1}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{a_2}{a_1} \left(\frac{1}{S_2} - S_{22} \right) = S_{21}, \quad \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{S_{21}S_2}{1 - S_{22}S_2}$$

$$\text{Reflection at port-1: } S_1 = \frac{b_1}{a_1} = S_{11} + S_{12} \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{S_{11} + (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})S_2}{1 - S_{22}S_2}$$

How to find S-matrix elements ?

S_1 and S_2 : linear transformation

$$(1 - S_{22}S_2)S_1 = S_{11} + (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})S_2$$

$$((S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22}) + S_{22}S_1)S_2 = S_1 - S_{11}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{S_1 - S_{11}}{S_{22}S_1 + (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})}$$

When S_2 moves along a circle $S_2 = \exp(-2j\beta x)$
 S_1 moves also along another circle.

$|S_2| = 1$ (S_2 is located on a unit circle) gives the following relation.

$$(1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22})S_1\bar{S}_1 - ((S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})\bar{S}_{22} + S_{11})\bar{S}_1 - ((\overline{S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22}})S_{22} + \bar{S}_{11})S_1 \\ + (S_{11}\bar{S}_{11} - (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})(\overline{S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22}})) = 0$$

$$\text{center : } \frac{D\bar{S}_{22} + S_{11}}{1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22}} = \frac{S_{12}S_{21}\bar{S}_{22}}{1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22}} + S_{11}$$

$$\text{radius : } \frac{\sqrt{|D\bar{S}_{22} + S_{11}|^2 - (1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22})(S_{11}\bar{S}_{11} - D\bar{D})}}{1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22}} = \frac{|S_{12}S_{21}|}{1 - S_{22}\bar{S}_{22}}$$

$$\text{where } D = (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})$$

How to find S-matrix elements ?

By changing the position of movable short, x , we can measure the corresponding reflection S_1 .

(S_1 moves also along another circle.)

e.g.

$$\text{for } S_2 = \pm 1 \quad S_1 = \frac{S_{11} \pm (S_{12}S_{21} - S_{11}S_{22})}{1 \mp S_{22}}$$

By the correspondence between S_1 and S_2 , we can determine S_{ij} .