EE Problem 8

Solve the following problem using Smith chart

A lossless transmission line is shorted at the load point. The characteristic impedance Z_0 of the transmission line is 50 Ω . The length of the transmission line is unknown. A load is connected to the transmission line at the point A. The impedance of the load is $Z=50+j25\Omega$. Find out: (1) where is the load connected? (2) the length of the transmission line?



Solution:

(1) the normalized input impedance $z_{in} = \frac{Z_{in}}{Z_0} = 2 + j2$, point C on Smith Chart (2) the normalized input admittance y_{in} is at point D on Smith chart.

(3) the normalized load impedance $z = \frac{Z}{Z_0} = 1 + j0.5$, point E on Smith chart

(4) the normalized load admittance is at point F on Smith chart.

(5) Since the short circuit doesn't contribute to the real part of the admittance, the total real part of the admittance at point A is 0.9.

(6) The distance from point A to the input is therefore 0.46-0.334 $\lambda = 0.126 \lambda$

(7) The imaginary part of the total admittance at point A is -1.3. The contribution from the short circuit is therefore -1.3-(-0.42)=-0.88.

(8) the length from the Short to point A is $0.386-0.25\lambda = 0.136 \lambda$.

