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Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering

EEE2314 : TRANSMISSION LINES BSc(6R/6E)

TEST1

October 25TH 2012

TIME : 2 Hrs

ATTEMPT ALL QUESTIONS

1. (a) With reference to electric circuits distinguish between
 - (i) Lumped circuit model
 - (ii) Distributed circuit model (6 marks)
- (b) (i) Distinguish between electrically long and electrically short structures
- (ii) Consider a pair of lands 10cm long etched on a glass –epoxy board ($\epsilon_r = 4.7$). Determine the time delay that a signal suffers as it propagates along these lands.
- (i) Describe with the aid of appropriate sketches why it is necessary to either minimize or eliminate time delay in signal transmission. (8 marks)
- (c) Determine the phase shift that a signal suffers as it propagates over a length of 10cm at
 - (i) 1 GHz
 - (ii) 2 GHz
 - (iii) 3 GHz (6 marks)
2. (a) (i) Apply a step input into an infinitely long transmission line and with appropriate Sketches describe what happens as energy surges towards the end of the line
- (ii) Describe the scenario in (a) (i) assuming the line is terminated in a
 - I. Short circuit
 - II. Open circuit (9 marks)
- (b) (i) Define the term 'characteristic impedance'
- (ii) Explain the importance of 'controlled impedance' boards and cables in RF design (4 marks)
- (c) A certain lossless coaxial cable has a characteristic impedance of 50Ω and a velocity factor $u = 0.63$ and a capacitance of $90pF/m$. Determine

- (i) The wave velocity on this cable in cm/nanosecond
- (ii) inductance and capacitance per unit length of the cable
- (iii) The wavelength on the cable at a frequency of 1.2GHz
- (iv) $\lambda/4$ wavelength section of the cable 7 marks)

3. Explaining each step and justifying any assumptions made show that the voltage and current along a transmission line is given by the following expressions

$$\hat{V}(z) = V_0^+ e^{-\gamma z} + V_0^- e^{\gamma z}$$

$$\hat{I}(z) = \frac{V_0^+}{Z_0} e^{-\gamma z} - \frac{V_0^-}{Z_0} e^{\gamma z} \quad (20 \text{ marks})$$