

Two-Port Equivalent Circuits of Two-Wire Parabolic Tapered Coupled Transmission Lines

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Abstract—Two-port equivalent circuits of two-wire parabolic tapered coupled transmission lines (PTCTL) with open or short terminal conditions on the remaining two ports are presented. First, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL, whose characteristic admittances increase along the lines, are shown. Second, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL, whose characteristic impedances increase along the lines, the dual of the previous circuits, are shown. These two-port circuits of PTCTL are expressed in terms of two equivalent representations, one having mixed lumped and uniform distributed circuits, and the other consisting of uncoupled nonuniform distributed circuits.

I. INTRODUCTION

COUPLED TRANSMISSION lines are extremely important in microwave network theory and have been described by many authors [1]–[5]. They are used extensively in all types of microwave components: filters, couplers, matching sections, and equalizers. Nonuniform coupled transmission lines may show good transmission responses and may also be important as microwave components. The analysis of particular nonuniform coupled transmission lines (for instance, exponential or parabolic tapered coupled transmission lines) has been reported [6]–[10]. However, it is very difficult to find exact network functions for general nonuniform coupled transmission lines. One of the most commonly used methods of analyzing coupled transmission lines has been to write the general $n \times n$ immittance matrix, impose appropriate terminal conditions, and reduce the $n \times n$ matrix to its final form, usually a 2×2 matrix. Another method has been to represent equivalent circuits by graph-transformation.

In this paper, by using both of these methods, we obtain two-port equivalent circuits of two-wire parabolic tapered coupled transmission lines (PTCTL). First, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL, whose self and mutual characteristic admittances increase along the lines, are shown. These equivalent circuits are expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed circuits consisting of cascade connections of lumped inductors, short-circuited stubs, uncoupled uniform transmission lines, and ideal transformers. These equivalent circuits may also be expressed by the uncoupled

nonuniform distributed circuits consisting of parabolic tapered open- and short-circuited stubs and uncoupled parabolic tapered transmission line. Then, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL, whose characteristic impedances increase along the lines, the dual of the previous circuit, are also shown. These equivalent circuits can also be expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed circuits, and the uncoupled nonuniform distributed circuits.

II. EQUIVALENT REPRESENTATION OF TWO-WIRE PARABOLIC TAPERED COUPLED TRANSMISSION LINES

Parabolic tapered coupled transmission lines are nonuniform coupled transmission lines whose self and mutual characteristic immittance distributions are given as the parabolic form $(ax + b)^{\pm 2}$, where x is the distance along the line, and a and b are constants. The lossless two-wire PTCTL, whose characteristic admittance distributions are both given by $(ax + b)^2$, is shown in Fig. 1(a), where the line length is l . The equivalent circuit of this PTCTL can be expressed as cascade connections of lumped inductors, uniform coupled transmission lines, and ideal transformers as shown in Fig. 1(b) [7]. We call this circuit an L -type PTCTL. The self and mutual characteristic admittance distributions $Y_{ij}(x)$ of the L -type PTCTL are given by

$$Y_{ij}(x) = y_{ij} \cdot m(x)^2 \quad (i, j = 1, 2) \quad (1)$$

$$m(x) = 1 + \left(\frac{W_{11}}{L_{11}} + \frac{W_{12}}{L_{22}} \right) \cdot \frac{x}{l} = 1 + \left(\frac{W_{21}}{L_{11}} + \frac{W_{22}}{L_{22}} \right) \cdot \frac{x}{l} \quad (2)$$

$$m = m(x)|_{x=l} \quad (3)$$

where

- y_{ii} self characteristic admittance of i th transmission line at $x = 0$ ($i = 1, 2$),
- y_{ij} mutual characteristic admittance between i th and j th transmission lines at $x = 0$ ($i, j = 1, 2$),
- W_{ii} self characteristic impedance of i th transmission line at $x = 0$ ($i = 1, 2$),
- W_{ij} mutual characteristic impedance between i th and j th transmission lines at $x = 0$ ($i, j = 1, 2$),
- L_{ij} inductance of lumped inductor ($i, j = 1, 2$),
- m turns ratio of ideal transformer.

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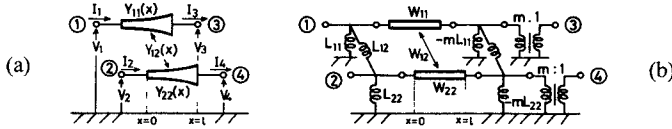


Fig. 1. Two-wire L-type parabolic tapered coupled transmission lines and its equivalent circuit.

Here, the element values of the circuit in Fig. 1(b) must satisfy the following condition:

$$\left[\frac{1}{L} \right] [W] = (m-1)[I] \quad (4)$$

where $[I]$ is the 2×2 identity matrix, and

$$\left[\frac{1}{L} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L_{11}} + \frac{1}{L_{12}} & -\frac{1}{L_{12}} \\ -\frac{1}{L_{12}} & \frac{1}{L_{12}} + \frac{1}{L_{22}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$[Y] = \begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & -y_{12} \\ -y_{12} & y_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$[W] = [Y]^{-1} = \frac{1}{y_{11}y_{22} - y_{12}^2} \begin{bmatrix} y_{22} & y_{12} \\ y_{12} & y_{11} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} \\ W_{12} & W_{22} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

Accordingly, $m(x)$ of (2) is obtained as follows:

$$m(x) = 1 + (m-1) \frac{x}{l}. \quad (8)$$

The two-wire uniform coupled transmission lines can be represented by short-circuited stubs and uncoupled transmission lines [2]. Therefore, the equivalent circuit of the L-type PTCTL in Fig. 1(a) can also be expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed circuits shown in Fig. 2, where the voltages and the currents are related as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ I_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ 0 & A_{11} & B_{12} & B_{22} \\ C_{11} & C_{12} & D_{11} & 0 \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & 0 & D_{11} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_3 \\ V_4 \\ I_3 \\ I_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

where

$$A_{11} = m - (m-1) \frac{p}{s} \quad (10)$$

$$B_{ij} = \frac{W_{ij}}{m} p \quad (i, j=1,2) \quad (11)$$

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \cdot y_{ij} \left\{ mp + (m-1)^2 \frac{1}{s} - (m-1)^2 \frac{p}{s^2} \right\} \quad (i, j=1,2) \quad (12)$$

$$D_{11} = \frac{1}{m} \left\{ 1 + (m-1) \frac{p}{s} \right\} \quad (13)$$

$$s = j\beta l \quad (14)$$

$$p = j \tan \beta l \quad (\text{Richards variable}) \quad (15)$$

β = the phase constant.

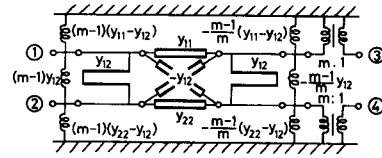


Fig. 2. The equivalent circuit of L-type PTCTL shown in Fig. 1(a).

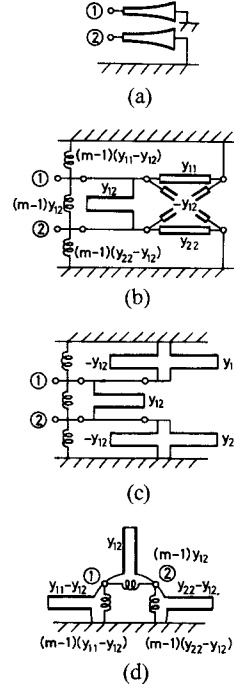


Fig. 3. Equivalent circuit derivation for Example 1 in the text.

III. TWO-PORT EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS OF PTCTL WITH THE MIXED LUMPED AND DISTRIBUTED CIRCUITS

Two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL can be derived by two methods. One is the graph-transformation method. The other is the matrix-reduction method, where a 4×4 chain matrix is reduced to a 2×2 matrix by imposing appropriate terminal conditions.

A. Graph-Transformation Method

To show this method of analysis, two examples are presented next. Example 1 is the network of Fig. 3(a) which has terminals 3 and 4 short-circuited to ground. By using the equivalent representation of Fig. 2 and considering terminal conditions, we obtain the equivalent circuit of Fig. 3(b). The $-y_{12}$ admittances are in parallel with y_{11} and y_{22} , so the graph of Fig. 3(b) reduces to that of Fig. 3(c). Since the unit elements $(y_{11} - y_{12})$ and $(y_{22} - y_{12})$ are short-circuited at one end, they act as short-circuited stubs. The final equivalent circuit of Fig. 3(d) is thus arrived at.

Example 2 is the network of Fig. 4(a), which has terminals 2 and 3 short-circuited to ground. The graph-equivalent circuit is given in Fig. 4(b). By using the same techniques as in the previous example, the equivalent circuit given in Fig. 4(c) and the final circuit in Fig. 4(d) are easily obtained.

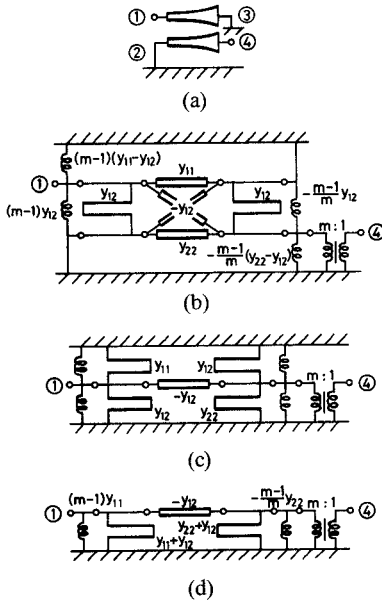


Fig. 4. Equivalent circuit derivation for Example 2 in the text.

B. Matrix-Reduction Method

We apply this method to the network of Fig. 4(a). The terminal conditions in this case are given by

$$\begin{cases} V_2 = 0 \\ V_3 = 0 \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

By substituting (16) in (9), we get

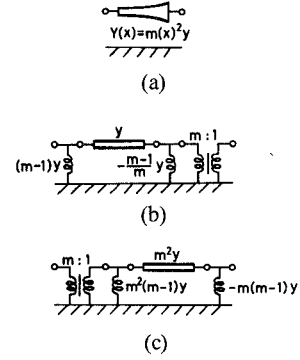
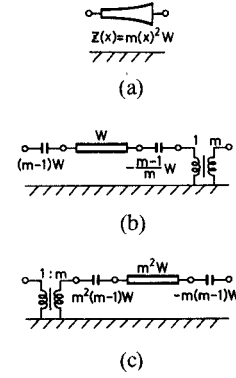
$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_1 \end{bmatrix} = [F] \begin{bmatrix} V_4 \\ I_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

$$[F] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{B_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} -A_{11}B_{11} & B_{11}B_{22} - B_{12}^2 \\ B_{12}C_{12} - A_{11}D_{11} & -D_{11}B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

There is no formal method for decomposing the chain matrix into realizable submatrices. However, by decomposing (18) appropriately, we finally obtain

$$[F] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (m-1)y_{11}\frac{1}{s} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (y_{11}+y_{12})\frac{1}{p} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{y_{12}}p \\ -y_{12}p & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (y_{12}+y_{22})\frac{1}{p} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{m-1}{m}y_{22}\frac{1}{s} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{m} \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

Here, the first and fifth matrices represent parallel lumped inductors, the second and fourth matrices represent parallel short-circuited stubs of length l , the third matrix represents a transmission line of length l , and the sixth matrix represents an ideal transformer. Consequently, the equivalent circuit of Fig. 4(a) can be expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed circuit shown in Fig. 4(d).

Fig. 5. *L*-type parabolic tapered transmission line and its equivalent circuit.Fig. 6. *C*-type parabolic tapered transmission line and its equivalent circuit.

In the same manner, two-port equivalent circuits of *C*-type PTCTL, whose self and mutual characteristic impedance distributions $Z_{ij}(x)$ ($i, j = 1, 2$) increase along the lines, can also be obtained [7]. These equivalent circuits are expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed circuits consisting of cascade connections of lumped capacitors, open-circuited stubs, uncoupled uniform transmission lines, and ideal transformers.

IV. TWO-PORT EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS OF PTCTL WITH UNCOUPLED NONUNIFORM DISTRIBUTED CIRCUITS

The equivalent circuit of *L*-type parabolic tapered transmission line (PTTL), shown in Fig. 5(a), may be expressed as cascade connections of lumped inductors, a uniform transmission line, and an ideal transformer shown in Fig. 5(b) and (c) [11]. Similarly, the equivalent circuit of *C*-type PTTL, shown in Fig. 6(a), may be expressed as cascade connections of lumped capacitors, a uniform transmission line, and an ideal transformer shown in Fig. 6(b) and (c) [11]. So, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL may be represented with uncoupled parabolic tapered transmission lines only.

The *L*-type parabolic tapered open- or short-circuited stubs and their equivalent circuits are shown in Table I, and *C*-type parabolic tapered stubs and their equivalent circuits are shown in Table II, respectively. Representa-

TABLE I
L-TYPE PARABOLIC TAPERED STUBS AND THEIR EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS

Original Circuit	Equivalent Circuit
1	
2	
3	
4	

TABLE II
C-TYPE PARABOLIC TAPERED STUBS AND THEIR EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS

Original Circuit	Equivalent Circuit
1	
2	
3	
4	

TABLE III
NOTIONS OF SERIES AND PARALLEL PARABOLIC TAPERED STUBS

Parabolic Tapered Stub	Series Representation	Parallel Representation
1		
2		
3		
4		

TABLE IV
TWO-PORT EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS OF L-TYPE PTCTL

Original Circuit	Equivalent Circuits	Element Values
1		$Y_1 = (m-1)(y_{11} - y_{12})^2$, $Y_4 = y_{11} - y_{12}$ $Y_2 = (m-1)y_{12}$, $Y_5 = y_{12}$ $Y_3 = (m-1)(y_{22} - y_{12})^2$, $Y_6 = y_{22} - y_{12}$
2		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{11} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 y_{12}$ $Y_3(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{22} - y_{12})^2$
3		$Y_1 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$, $Y_2 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$
4		$Y_1 = (m-1)y_{11}$, $Y_2 = y_{11}$ $Y_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} y_{11}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 y_{11}$
5		$Y_1 = (m-1)(y_{11} + y_{22} - 2y_{12})$, $Y_4 = y_{12}$ $Y_2 = y_{22} - y_{12}$, $Y_5 = -\frac{m-1}{m} y_{11}$ $Y_3 = y_{11} - y_{12}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{22} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{11} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_3(x) = m(x)^2 y_{12}$
6		$Y_1 = (m-1)y_{11}$, $Y_4 = y_{22} + y_{12}$ $Y_2 = y_{11} + y_{12}$, $Y_5 = -\frac{m-1}{m} y_{22}$ $Y_3 = -y_{12}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{11} + y_{12})^2$ $Y_2(x) = -m(x)^2 y_{12}$ $Y_3(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{22} + y_{12})^2$
7		$Y_1 = (m-1)(y_{11} + y_{22} - 2y_{12})$, $Y_4 = y_{12}$ $Y_2 = y_{11} - y_{12}$, $Y_5 = -\frac{m-1}{m} y_{22}$ $Y_3 = y_{22} - y_{12}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{11} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{22} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_3(x) = m(x)^2 y_{12}$
8		$Y_1 = (m-1)y_{11}$, $Y_4 = y_{22} - y_{12}$ $Y_2 = y_{12}$, $Y_5 = -\frac{m-1}{m} (y_{11} + y_{22} - 2y_{12})$ $Y_3 = y_{11} - y_{12}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 y_{12}$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{11} - y_{12})^2$ $Y_3(x) = m(x)^2 (y_{22} - y_{12})^2$
9		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{y_{12}^2}{y_{22}}$, $Y_3 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$, $Y_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{y_{12}^2}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$
10		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{(y_{22} - y_{12})^2}{y_{22}}$, $Y_3 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$, $Y_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{(y_{22} - y_{12})^2}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$

TABLE IV (Continued)

11		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{(y_{11} - y_{12})^2}{y_{11}}, Y_3 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{11}}$ $Y_2 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{11}}, Y_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{11}}$
12		$Y_1 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}, Y_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}, Y_4(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{y_{12}^2}{y_{22}}$
13		$Y_1 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}, Y_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}$ $Y_2 = \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}, Y_4(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{(y_{22} - y_{12})^2}{y_{22}}$
14		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 y_{11}, Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta y}{y_{11}}$
15		$Y_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta y}{y_{22}}, Y_2(x) = m(x)^2 y_{22}$

TABLE V
TWO-PORT EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS OF C-TYPE PTCTL

Original Circuit	Equivalent Circuits	Element Values
1		$Z_1 = (m-1)(W_{11} - W_{12}), Z_2 = W_{11} - W_{12}$ $Z_3 = (m-1)W_{12}, Z_4 = W_{12}$ $Z_5 = (m-1)(W_{22} - W_{12}), Z_6 = W_{22} - W_{12}$
2		$Z_1 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_2 = W_{11} - W_{12}$ $Z_3 = W_{12}, Z_4 = W_{12}$ $Z_5 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{22}$
3		$Z_1 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_2 = W_{11}$ $Z_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{11}$
4		$Z_1 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta W}{W_{22}}, Z_2 = \frac{\Delta W}{W_{22}}$ $Z_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta W}{W_{22}}$
5		$Z_1 = (m-1) \frac{\Delta W}{W_{11} + W_{22} - 2W_{12}}$ $Z_2 = \frac{\Delta W}{W_{11} + W_{22} - 2W_{12}}$ $Z_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} \frac{\Delta W}{W_{11} + W_{22} - 2W_{12}}$

TABLE V (Continued)

6		$Z_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{W_{11}}{W_{12}}, Z_3 = W_{11}$ $Z_2 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{11}$
7		$Z_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{W_{11}}{(W_{11} - W_{12})^2} \Delta W$ $Z_2 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_3 = W_{11}$ $Z_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{11}, Z_5 = W_{11}$
8		$Z_1(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{W_{22}}{(W_{22} - W_{12})^2} \Delta W$ $Z_2 = (m-1)W_{22}, Z_3 = W_{22}$ $Z_4 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{22}, Z_5 = W_{22}$
9		$Z_1 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{11}$ $Z_2 = W_{11}, Z_4(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{W_{11}}{W_{12}} \Delta W$
10		$Z_1 = (m-1)W_{11}, Z_3 = -\frac{m-1}{m} W_{11}$ $Z_2 = W_{11}, Z_4(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta W \cdot W_{11}}{(W_{11} - W_{12})^2}$
11		$Z_1(x) = m(x)^2 W_{11}$ $Z_2(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{W_{11}}{W_{12}} \Delta W$
12		$Z_1(x) = m(x)^2 W_{11}$ $Z_2(x) = m(x)^2 \frac{\Delta W}{W_{11}}$

tions of series parabolic tapered stubs and parallel parabolic tapered stubs are shown in Table III. By using parabolic tapered stubs and PTTL, two-port equivalent circuits of PTCTL may also be expressed by the uncoupled nonuniform distributed circuits.

V. EXAMPLES OF TWO-PORT EQUIVALENT CIRCUITS OF PTCTL

In Table IV, two-port equivalent circuits of the *L*-type PTCTL, one having mixed lumped and uniform distributed circuits and the other consisting of uncoupled parabolic tapered transmission lines, are introduced. Similarly, two-port equivalent circuits of the *C*-type PTCTL are shown in Table V.

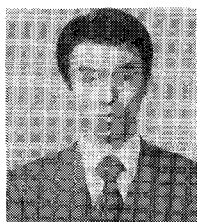
VI. CONCLUSION

Fifteen equivalent circuits of *L*-type PTCTL and twelve equivalent circuits of *C*-type PTCTL have been derived using the graph-transformation method and the matrix-reduction method. Two-port equivalent circuits of *L*-type PTCTL are expressed as the mixed lumped and distributed

circuits consisting of cascade connections of lumped inductors, short-circuited stubs, uncoupled uniform transmission lines, and ideal transformers, and may also be expressed by the uncoupled nonuniform distributed circuits consisting of parabolic tapered open- and short-circuited stubs and uncoupled PTTL. Similarly, two-port circuits of C -type PTCTL, the dual of the previous circuits, can also be expressed by two equivalent representations of the mixed lumped and distributed circuits, and the uncoupled non-uniform distributed circuits.

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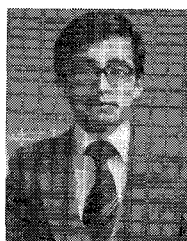


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