

Pset 3 #1. S matrix for quantum computers

S matrix for quantum computers:

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The above two (frequency independent) matrices are the key ones for quantum computing where H is for the Hadamard transformation and C is for the controlled not.

(a) Passive Circuits

Treating H and C as scattering matrices of a circuit, the circuit is passive if $I_n - S^{T*}S \geq 0$

For H:

$$I_2 - H^{T*}H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For C:

$$I_4 - C^{T*}C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\therefore not only are H and C passive, they are lossless as well.

(b) Passive Circuit Realization

For H, we notice that $H_{12} = H_{21}$, which means that it is reciprocal.

We also notice that $H_{11} = -H_{22}$, which means that it is antimetric.

This suggests a N:1 transformer with ABCD parameters of $\begin{bmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1/N \end{bmatrix}$.

Converting H from S parameters to ABCD parameters give:

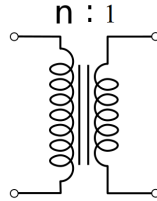
$$A = \frac{(1+S_{11})(1-S_{22})+S_{12}S_{21}}{2S_{21}} = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

$$B = Z_0 \frac{(1+S_{11})(1+S_{22})-S_{12}S_{21}}{2S_{21}} = 0$$

$$C = \frac{1}{Z_0} \frac{(1-S_{11})(1-S_{22})-S_{12}S_{21}}{2S_{21}} = 0$$

$$D = \frac{(1-S_{11})(1+S_{22})+S_{12}S_{21}}{2S_{21}} = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

Therefore, H is equivalent to a $(\sqrt{2} + 1) : 1$ transformer:



Looking at C, we see that it is similar to a 3-port circulator in that it is lossless and all energy from one input port is directed to one output port.

Since $S_{13}, S_{14}, S_{23}, S_{24}, S_{31}, S_{32}, S_{41}, S_{42}$ are all 0, we can reduce C into 2 separate matrices:

$$S^{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } S^{34} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Considering S^{12} , we see that it is the identity matrix so ports 1 and 2 are open circuits.

Looking at S^{34} , it is a pass-through so port 3 inputs will come out at port 4 and vice versa.

