1.) Cavities

Design a pillbox cavity. The  $E_{010}$  = TM<sub>010</sub> mode shall resonate at  $f_{res}$  = 2.95 GHz. The aspect ratio shall be a/h = 0.5.

1. What is the radius *a* of the cavity?

$$a = 0.383 \lambda = \frac{0.383 c}{f} = 38.92 mm$$

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2. What is the height *h* of the cavity?

$$h = 2 a = 77.85 mm$$

3. The 3 dB bandwidth of the unloaded resonance shall be 150 kHz, how big does the unloaded  $Q_0$  of the cavity need to be?

$$Q_0 = \frac{f_{res}}{f_{3dB}} = 19667$$

see script page 55 and 59

4. What is the maximum tolerable surface resistance  $\rho$  of the cavity walls to get  $Q_0 = 20000$ .

$$\delta = \frac{a}{Q_0} \left[ 1 + \frac{a}{h} \right]^{-1} = 1.23 \ \mu m = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega \sigma \mu}}$$

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$$\sigma = \frac{2}{\delta^2 \ 2 \ \pi \ f_{res} \ \mu_0} = 51 \cdot 10^6 \ S/m$$

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$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sigma} = 19.6 \cdot 10^{-9} \,\Omega m$$

Note: the resistivity ho is inverse proportional to the conductivity  $\sigma$ 

5. What is the R/Q for this cavity geometry?

$$\frac{R}{Q} = 128 \frac{\sin^2(1.2024 \ h/a)}{h/a} = 28.9$$

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Note: We cannot use the approximate equation as the argument  $x \approx 2.4$  in sin(x) has a large value and therefore  $sin(x) \neq x$ 

Keep in mind, the R/Q is purely defined by the geometry of the cavity, while the unloaded  $Q_0$  depends on the losses defined by the material properties.

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## $\mu = \mu_0 \ \mu_r$ $\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \ Vs/(Am)$ $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 \ \varepsilon_r$ $\varepsilon_0 = 8.854 \cdot 10^{-12} \ As/(Vm)$ $c_0 = 2.998 \cdot 10^8 \ m/s$

6. Derive the equivalent circuit parameters R, L and C for the cavity with

 $Q_0 = 20\,000$  and R/Q = 30

$$\frac{R}{Q} = \omega_{res}L = \frac{1}{\omega_{res}C}$$
$$L = \frac{R/Q}{2\pi f_{res}} = 1.62 \, nH$$
$$C = \frac{1}{2\pi f_{res}R/Q} = 1.8 \, pF$$
$$R = \frac{R}{Q}Q_0 = 600 \, k\Omega$$

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7. The cavity is critically coupled to an RF power amplifier and driven by 50 W of input power on its resonant frequency. The loaded  $Q_L$  is 10 000. What is the stored energy  $W_{CAV}$  in the cavity?

Equivalent circuit:



At critical coupling at resonance this simplifies to:



The transformed source impedance of the generator is equal to the shunt impedance of the resonator  $R_g = R$ , therefore the total impedance is R/2, and the power is  $P = 2 \cdot 50 W = 100 W$ .

$$W_{cav} = \frac{Q_L P}{2 \pi f_{res}} = 54 \ \mu Ws$$

or

$$W_{cav} = \frac{1}{2}C\hat{V}^2 = 54 \,\mu Ws$$
 with:  $\hat{V} = \sqrt{2PR}$ 

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#### 8. Determine the peak gap voltage $V_{gap}$ ?

Note: Two ways to compute the gap voltage, both using the equations on page 56:

$$V_{gap} = V = \sqrt{P \; \frac{2 \; R}{2}} = 5.47 \; kV$$

*Note: The cavity is critically coupled, i.e. the transformed source impedance (see schematic page 66) equals the cavity equals resistance R. As both are parallel the total resistance is R/2* 

$$V_{gap} = V_C = \sqrt{\frac{2 W_{cav}}{C}} = 5.47 \ kV$$

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9. Operating the cavity in air, is "Kilpatrick" voltage breakdown a problem? gap = h = 78 mm,  $V_{gap}$  = 5.5 kV, seems to be no problem

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Note: The gap with is  $h \approx 78$  mm, and the voltage is ~5.5 kV, operating in air. The graphics shows this operating point is safe, no breakdowns to be expected

## 2.) Smith chart

Given in the table below are several impedances  $Z_N$  or reflection coefficients  $\Gamma_N$ , measured at specific frequencies.

They have been normalized already with the characteristic impedance  $Z_c = 50 \Omega$  in the following way:  $Z_N = Z/Z_c$ 

Point no.	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>4</sub>
Z <sub>N</sub> orΓ <sub>N</sub>	<b>Z</b> <sub>N</sub> = 1	<b>Z</b> <sub>N</sub> = 0.5 + 0.5j	<b> Γ<sub>N</sub> </b> = 0.45 arc( <b>Γ</b> <sub>N</sub> ) = -117°	<b>Z</b> <sub>N</sub> = 0
f [GHz]	3.000	2.997	3.003	0.01

Point no.	P <sub>5</sub>	P <sub>6</sub>	P <sub>7</sub>	P <sub>8</sub>
$\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{N}}$ or $\mathbf{\Gamma}_{\mathbf{N}}$	<b>Z</b> <sub>N</sub> = 0.2 + 0.4j	<b>Z</b> <sub>N</sub> = 0.2 - 0.4j	<b> Γ<sub>N</sub> </b> = 1 arc( <b>Γ</b> <sub>N</sub> ) = 0°	<b> Γ<sub>N</sub> </b> = 0.49 arc( <b>Γ</b> <sub>N</sub> ) = 52°
f [GHz]	2.994	3.006	-	-

 Mark all the points in the attached smith chart (including each point no.) Use your compass and the rulers at the bottom of the smith chart for the polar coordinates see script page 127 ff 2. Design a matching circuit. The point  $P_2$  in the smith chart shall be matched to  $Z_c = 50 \Omega$ . Use only **one 50 \Omega transmission line** and **one series capacitor.** Draw the solution in the smith chart. Numerical answers are not needed.

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Draw a circle through the points P1 – P6. This is the result of a S<sub>11</sub> measurement of a microwave cavity with a network analyser.
What is the resonant frequency f<sub>res</sub> of the cavity? (Look it up in the table)

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### *Note: At resonance the impedance is purely real (no imaginary components)*

 $f_{res} = 3 \text{ GHz} (P_1)$ 

4. What is the unloaded  $Q_0$  of the cavity?

$$Q_L = \frac{f_{res}}{f_{3dB}} = \frac{3 GHz}{(3.006 - 2.994) GHz} = 250$$
$$Q_0 = 2 Q_L = 500$$

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*Note: At critical coupling the unloaded Q*<sup>0</sup> *is twice the loaded* 

